



2,772 refugees are accessing livelihood opportunities as of June

MAY HIGHLIGHTS:

- IOM is working in two refugee camps for Syrians namely Darasharakran and Basirma.

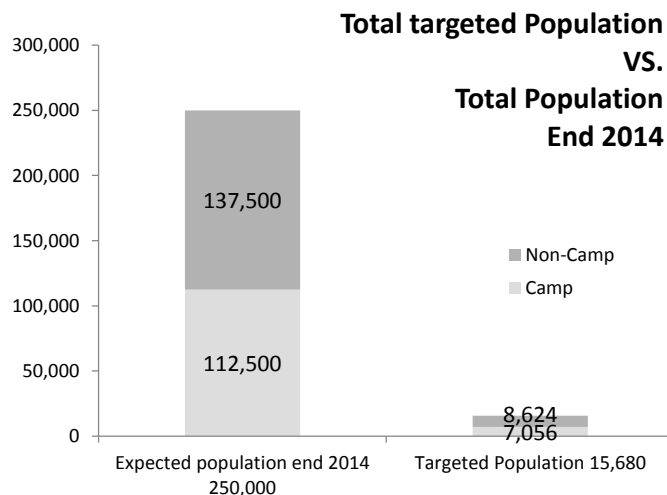
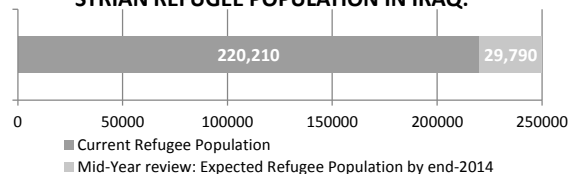
In **Darashakran** 236 persons have been assisted with business management trainings, 332 beneficiaries in small business and 100 beneficiaries in vocational training such: (English course, tailoring and plumbing).

In **Basirma camp** 60 beneficiaries assisted in small business startup and 59 beneficiaries with Business management trainings.

- DRC is following up with 2013 beneficiaries to assist in the business scale ups. Almost 50% of them have been contacted so far in both Erbil and Duhok.



SYRIAN REFUGEE POPULATION IN IRAQ:



NEEDS ANALYSIS:

According to the Needs Assessment conducted by REACH for camp-refugees in April 2014, **47 per cent of the respondents among camp residing refugees have reported no source of cash/income for their household.** The survey response in Basirma, Darashakran and Gawilan camps exhibit much lower figures of households having an income, 28 per cent, 35 per cent and 36 per cent respectively, which indicates refugees living in remote areas are in a disadvantageous position due to distance and the additional burden of transportation costs.

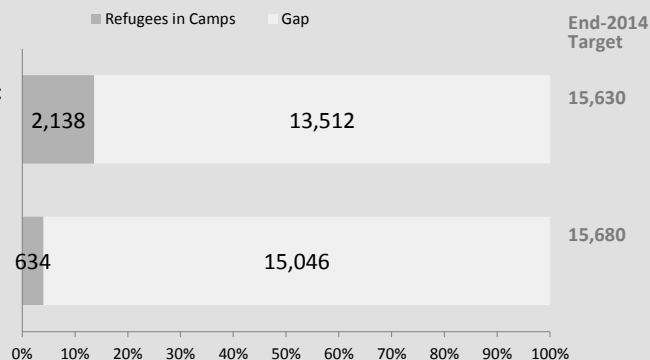
Forty per cent of non-camp in Sulaymaniyah answered that they do not sufficient income to afford essential items but only 21 per cent of the respondents in Duhok reported the same (the average in three governorates: 30 per cent). A comprehensive labour market survey on the growing economic sectors in the Kurdistan Region, such as construction, services (hospitality and tourism) and agriculture is needed to be conducted, to ensure skill matching to secure sustainable income sources in future programming.

A special attention needs to be paid to the **refugees with vulnerability and special needs**, such as women, youth, and people with disability. The MSNA study indicates that only **18 per cent of female members of non-camp households are earning an income.** The Rapid Needs Assessment on refugees with disabilities in Domiz camp conducted by Handicap International in support of UNICEF indicates **99 per cent of refugees with disabilities were not working in comparison to 86 per cent of the non-disable control group.**

PROGRESS AGAINST TARGETS:

2,138 (699 in June) persons participating in employment assistance, income generation activities or business development projects

634 (100 in June) persons participating in vocational training or skills development programs



Targets based on expected population of 250,000 Syrian refugees in Iraq by end-2014. There are currently 220,210 refugees.