



SECTOR HIGHLIGHTS

Livelihoods support has become increasingly important under the 3RP to ensure Syrians under Temporary Protection and vulnerable host community members have an opportunity to become self-reliant. The work of the Livelihoods sector helps in improving social cohesion as well, both through specific activities and by mainstreaming social cohesion principles in programming.

The socio-economic impact of the COVID-19 pandemic has further increased challenges to access livelihoods opportunities, endangering income security and the coverage of basic needs. Growing number of households reported to have lost employment, which has led to increased difficulties to cover basic expenses. In parallel, the majority of Syrian-run businesses expressed concern over having to shut down due to the impact of the pandemic. The pandemic has also impacted the processing and renewal of work permit applications, which might have further negative consequences on the longer-term ability of Syrians under temporary protection to access decent, formal work opportunities.

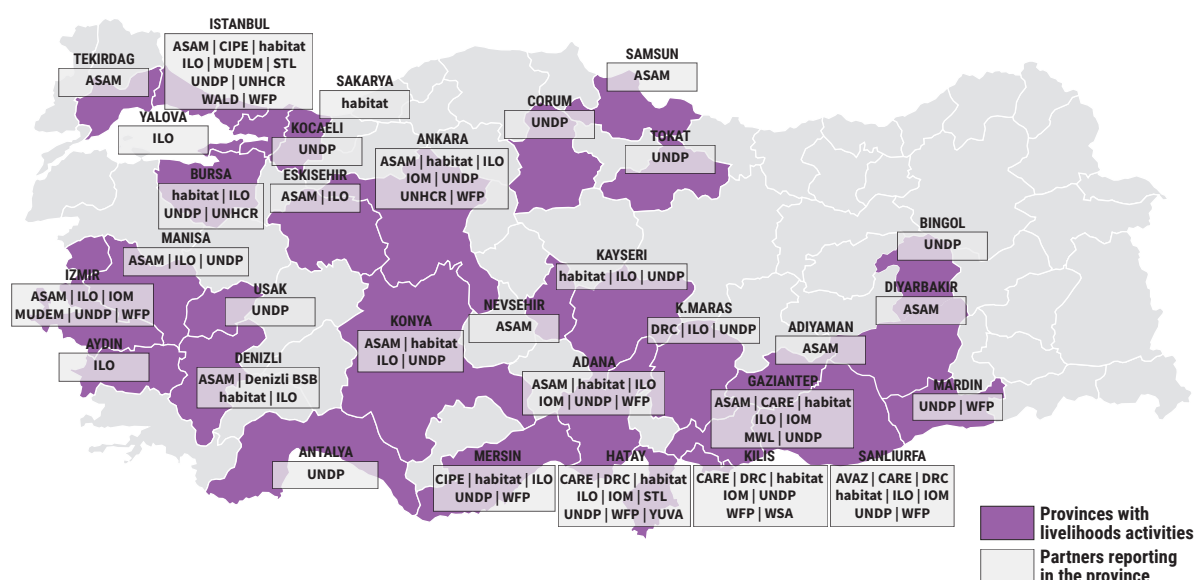
In the last quarter of 2020 Livelihoods Sector partners continued to provide support to Syrians under temporary protection and host community members through the provision of technical and vocational trainings and education as well as skills and language trainings to increase access to formal employment opportunities. On the demand side, Livelihoods Sector partners continued their efforts to facilitate job creation, support for establishment of new businesses as well as expansion of existing businesses and strengthen the capacities of relevant national and local public institutions.

So far, 61,934 beneficiaries from the Syrians under Temporary Protection and host community members have been supported in 31 provinces. Of the total number of beneficiaries, 40,939 Syrians under Temporary Protection and host community members received technical, vocational language training and 10,770 have accessed income generating and self-employment activities through job placements in service and industry sectors. 6,296 beneficiaries have been assisted with individual counselling, job counselling and business mentoring/ coaching.

119 businesses have been established and 81 SMEs have received business support through training as well as financial and non-financial services between January and December in 2020. There is an increase on job creation interventions when compared to previous years, however livelihoods and job creation efforts need to be scaled up significantly to address growing needs for self-reliance.

Livelihoods Sector continued to strengthen institutional capacities of partners through awareness raising, knowledge management and coordination in 2020. Furthermore, partners provide support to public institutions to address the challenges to access work permits, facilitate job creation and increase employability and self-reliance.

SECTOR OVERVIEW

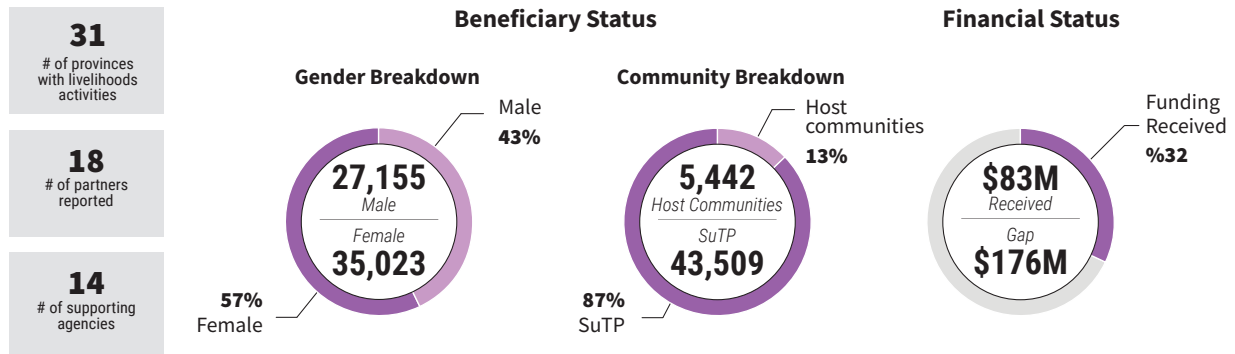


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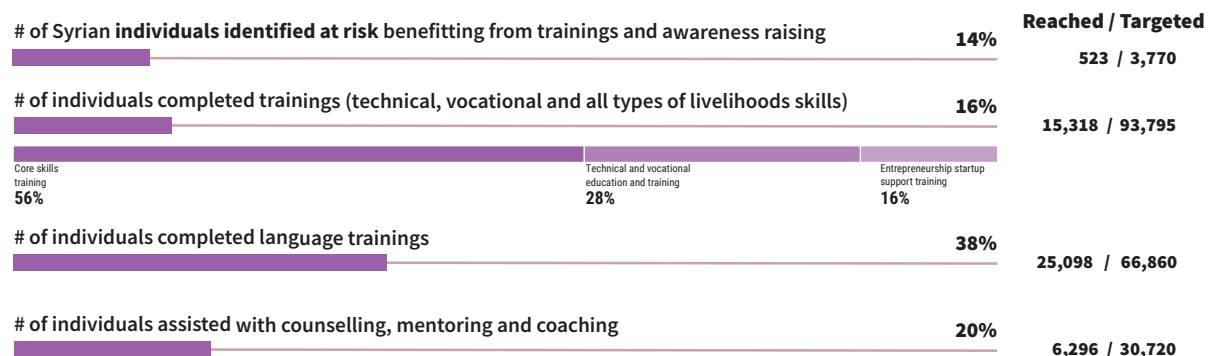
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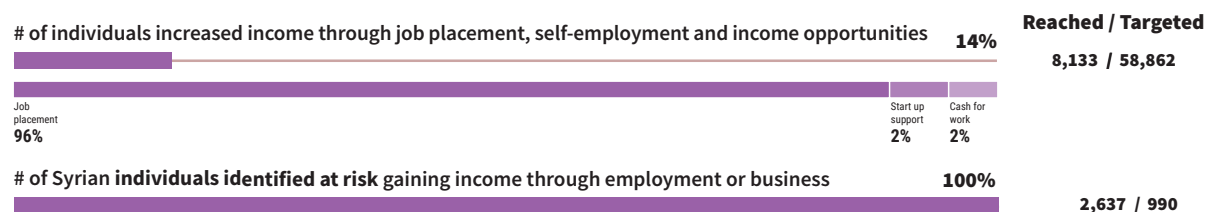
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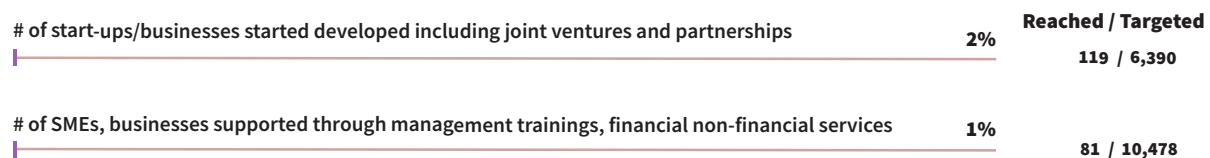
LIVELIHOOD SKILLS TRAININGS



INCOME GENERATION



TECHNICAL AND FINANCIAL SUPPORT PROVIDED TO SMEs



PARTNERS

