



The monthly What's New? newsletter provides a consolidated overview of the latest strategic, operational, and analytical updates related to the Lebanon Response Plan (LRP). It brings together key planning documents, funding updates, assessments, dashboards, and situation reports to ensure partners have timely access to critical information. The newsletter aims to support coordinated planning, evidence-based decision-making, and continued alignment across stakeholders and response partners under the LRP framework.

Lebanon Response Plan – 2026

The Lebanon Response Plan (LRP) for 2026 continues to serve as an integrated humanitarian and stabilization response plan co-led by the Government of Lebanon and the United Nations, supported by international and national partners. The plan sets out to respond to challenges in a holistic manner through providing immediate assistance to and ensuring protection of vulnerable populations; supporting service provision through national systems; and supporting Lebanon's economic, social, and environmental stability. The LRP calls for a prioritized appeal of \$1.62 billion in 2026 to fund partners' coordinated interventions across nine sectors. The LRP Document for 2026 is available [here](#).

LRP Funding Update – End-of-Year 2025

1.10 billion USD was made available by Dec 2025 to partners for interventions under the LRP including funding directly received and carry-over/multi-year funding contributions made previously for 2024. This equates to 37 per cent of the LRP partner appeal that was set for the year (3.006 billion USD). The funding update is developed by analyzing and consolidating the figures shared by the LRP partners through the Lebanon Aid Tracking System at the end of each quarter. The LRP End-of-Year Funding Update for 2025, including a summary per sector is available [here](#).

LRP Overview and Scope – End-of-Year 2025

The LRP overview and scope outlines the population targets, funding status, and strategic objectives of the response. It provides a comprehensive overview of targeting approaches, prioritization of interventions within sector strategies, and geographical coverage. This document is essential for guiding coordinated humanitarian actions and optimizing resource allocation to meet urgent needs.

The LRP End-of-Year Overview and Scope for 2025 is available [here](#).

LRP Support to Lebanese Dashboard – End-of-Year 2025

The LRP Support to Lebanese dashboard provides examples of assistance to vulnerable Lebanese provided across sectors under the LRP. The LRP 2025 targeted 1.7 million vulnerable Lebanese, 1.4 million displaced Syrians, 200,000 Palestine Refugees in Lebanon, 23,026 Palestinian Refugees from Syria, and 175,974 Migrants. In recent years, support to Lebanese has increased across sectors in response to growing needs. The End-of-Year Update on the LRP Support to Lebanese dashboard is available here in [Arabic](#) and [English](#).

Vulnerability Assessment of Syrian Refugees in Lebanon (VASyR) Dashboard and Executive Summary – 2025

The VASyR is conducted jointly by UNHCR, UNICEF, and WFP and is the thirteenth annual survey assessing the situation of a representative sample of displaced Syrian households in Lebanon and providing a multi-sectoral update of their situation. The 2025 results show that the situation of displaced Syrian continues to worsen as Lebanon faces compounded crises, noting that nine out of 10 displaced Syrian households were not able to afford essential goods and services that ensure minimum living standards, despite increasing humanitarian support. The 2025 VASyR Dashboard and Executive Summary are available on the VASyR Website [here](#).

Multi-Sector Needs Assessment (MSNA) Gender Snapshot of Lebanese Household – 2025

The MSNA Gender Snapshot of Lebanese Households has been developed by UN Women and REACH. It summarizes how Lebanon's overlapping crises are affecting Lebanese households through a gender, age, disability, and geographic lens. Moreover, it highlights which household profiles face the sharpest deprivations, especially female-headed households and households with persons with disabilities. In doing so, it translates the evidence into sector findings (Education, Food Security and Agriculture, Health, Livelihoods, Protection, Shelter, WaSH) and Accountability to Affected Populations (AAP), in addition to priority actions to inform the 2026 Lebanon Response Plan. The snapshot is available [here](#).

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Referral Information Management System (RIMS) Annual Report – 2025

The RIMS Annual Report demonstrates the key trends and characteristics of referrals conducted using the RIMS platform in 2025. It analyzes RIMS data to examine how needs evolved across time, geography, sectors, and population groups from January – December 2025 and explores structural patterns of vulnerability, sectoral bottlenecks, and mismatches between demand and service provision. Referrals remain focused in governorates that consistently generate high volumes of cases, even during periods of overall slowdown in the number of referrals. The analysis also highlights shifting demographic dynamics, including the growing reliance of Lebanese host communities on humanitarian referral mechanisms alongside the continued vulnerability of displaced populations. The report is available [here](#).

Storm Response Situation Update – January 2026

Unfavourable weather conditions affected the country in January, bringing heavy rainfall, snowfall at mid to high elevations, strong winds, and cold temperatures. This led to flooding, ice formation, and road disruptions. The storm's impact was most pronounced in the North and Akkar, extending to Beirut and Mount Lebanon (BML). By end of January, 727 households, composed of 3,600 individuals, were estimated to be affected in 184 sites across Beirut and Mount Lebanon (BML), and the North and Akkar regions. Addressing funding gaps and strengthening municipal capacity is crucial to preventing and addressing future winter emergencies. The January Storm Response Situation Update is available [here](#). A brief paper setting out an Overview on Winter Preparedness & Response for 2025-2026 is available [here](#).

UNHCR-Supported Voluntary Repatriation of Displaced Syrians in Lebanon – 31 January 2026

This overview was prepared by UNHCR to provide an update on the Voluntary Repatriation (VolRep) of Displaced Syrians in Lebanon. Since January 2025, 552,413 Syrian individuals known to UNHCR have been inactivated from UNHCR's database due to confirmed and presumed returns to Syria. By the end of January, a total of 57,444 Syrian individuals known to UNHCR underwent the facilitated VolRep programmes, including completing voluntariness assessments, issuance of Repatriation Forms, and provision of a return cash grant of \$100 per returning individual. In January 2026, interest declined to 3,800 new expressions of interest (2% of all expressions of interest since the programme's launch). This reduction reflects seasonal and contextual factors, including winter weather conditions. UNHCR and IOM have facilitated 14 organized return movements of 2,920 Syrian individuals through Arida and Masnaa borders to Rural Damascus, Damascus, Homs, Hama, Idlib and Aleppo. The latest update on VolRep is available [here](#).

Key Findings: UNHCR Facilitated Return Feedback and Post-Distribution Monitoring Survey of Syrian Refugee Returnees – February 2026

The Lebanon Post-Return Feedback and Post-Distribution Monitoring (PDM) Survey 2025 was developed by UNHCR to assess the experiences of displaced Syrian who returned from Lebanon under its facilitated Voluntary Return (VolRep) programme. Based on the January 2026 survey of returnees supported in 2025, the findings show that 99% confirmed their return was voluntary and that they intend to remain permanently in Syria, with most returning to their areas of origin. Respondents reported high levels of satisfaction with border facilitation and the return cash grant, which was primarily used to cover transport and basic needs. While most felt sufficiently informed to make their decision, key information gaps remain around housing, livelihoods, and access to essential services in areas of return. The key findings document is available [here](#).

Protection Considerations for Relocations and Evacuations in North Lebanon – February 2026

The technical note on Protection Considerations for Relocations and Evacuations in North Lebanon was developed by the Strengthening the Protective Environment and Joint Advocacy (SPEAC) Consortium following building collapses in Tripoli to support authorities, municipalities, and humanitarian stakeholders engaged in responding. As plans for evacuation and relocation evolve, this guidance aims to ensure that emergency safety and response measures protect life and dignity, prevent avoidable displacement and evacuation, proactively mitigate additional protection risks and humanitarian needs, and safeguard housing, land and property (HLP) rights. The technical note is available [here](#).

Agriculture Partners Network Projects Dashboard

The Agriculture Partners Network Projects dashboard has been launched by the Ministry of Agriculture, with technical support from the DRM Unit at the Presidency of the Council of Ministers and the Food Security & Agriculture Sector. It aims to enhance coordination among all agriculture-implementing partners, reduce duplication, and promote transparent information-sharing under the Ministry's leadership. Moreover, it provides a comprehensive overview of all agriculture projects and partners implementing across Lebanon, including full findings and results for 2025. The dashboard is available [here](#).

Lebanon Climate Snapshot 2025

Lebanon Climate Snapshot 2025 is jointly developed by the Ministry of Agriculture, WFP, FAO and the Food Security and Agriculture Sector. It provides an updated overview of rainfall patterns, seasonal anomalies, and vegetation stress indicators across the country. The analysis supports ongoing monitoring efforts and helps inform planning for agriculture, water resources, and livelihood-related programming. The snapshot, including findings and analysis, is available [here](#).