



United Nations Country Team in Turkey Daily Situation Report on the Situation Pertaining to Syria

Date: August 16, 2012

Latest Official figures announced by the Government of Turkey on August 15, 2012

More information on: www.afetacil.gov.tr/

Official Total Camp Population in Turkey: **61,450**

source of information: www.afetacil.gov.tr/

Unofficial Figure is over 70,000 in Turkey

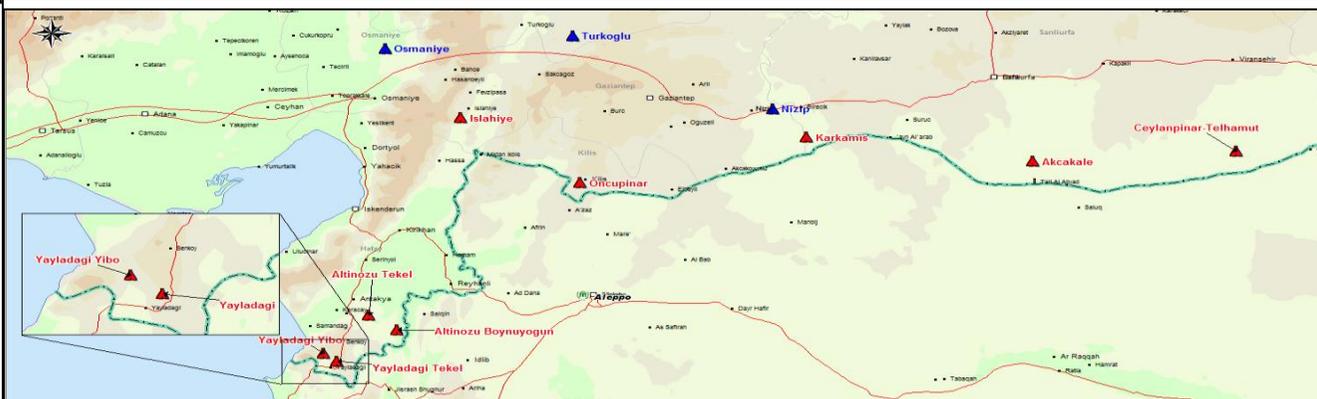
With the arrival of 1,030 and return of 116 persons on August 14-15, 2012. source: www.afetacil.gov.tr/

Highlights

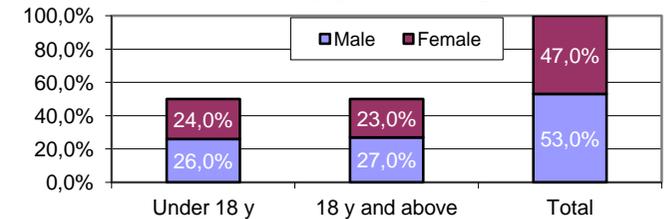
- It was reported by the local authorities that due to the escalating situation in Azaz and Aleppo, approximately 5,000 new arrivals crossed the border in the last 24 hours. While the official figures still shows 61,450 the authorities in Kilis informed that with the new arrivals of the last two days (approx: 8,500) the population of Syrians in Turkey reached close to 70,000 people.

- Local authorities in Kilis informed UNHCR that about 3,000 of the last new arrivals crossed the border from Hatay and some 2,000 of them from Kilis border in the last 24 hours. Reportedly the vast majority of the new arrivals during the last two days were from Azaz and Aleppo while there were also some from Latakia and its surroundings

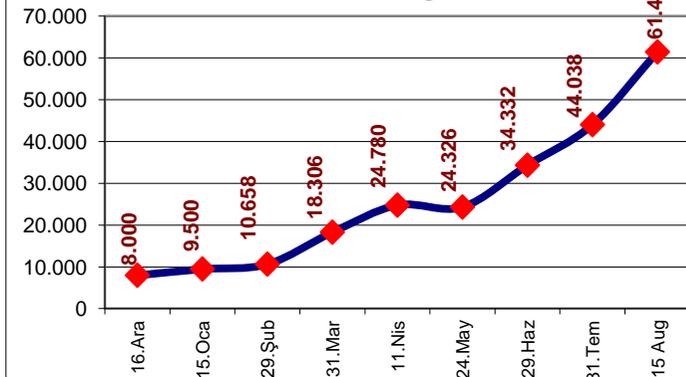
- The authorities in Kilis informed UNHCR that upon decision by the Government of Turkey, Turkish Red Crescent had established warehouse tents at Kilis border and started to provide assistance to the new arrivals at the border until their admission process is completed while also sending humanitarian assistance to the needy people in the villages across the border as well as to Aleppo and Azaz districts through Syrian Red Crescent. It was also reported by the authorities that assistance across the border will have no effect on Turkish Government's open border policy for those who wish to cross the border to seek temporary protection.



Breakdown by gender and age



Monthly Population Trends from 16 Dec 2011 to 15 Aug 2012



Population by Location 15 August 2012

