

SITUATION REPORT No.6, 27 AUGUST 2013

RESPONDING TO THE INFLUX OF SYRIAN REFUGEES

IRAQ COUNTRY OFFICE

HIGHLIGHTS

- To date, over 48,000 people have crossed the border of which approximately 50 per cent are children. Fifty-two per cent are above the age of 18 and 3 per cent are above the age of 60. The gender breakdown is 47 per cent female / 53 per cent male.
- On 26-27 August the CP team identified 28 separated children, 11 unaccompanied children and 17 Monitoring and Reporting Mechanism (MRM) cases.
- As a result of the UNICEF mission on 26 August, six showers were procured and will be delivered on site on 28 August. Additional showers have been ordered.
- In Arbat camp, four tankers (15,000L per tanker) delivered 75,000L of non-potable water to the camp. Twenty-five water tanks with taps (500L capacity) will be delivered on 28 August, substantially increasing the accessibility of fresh water in the camp.

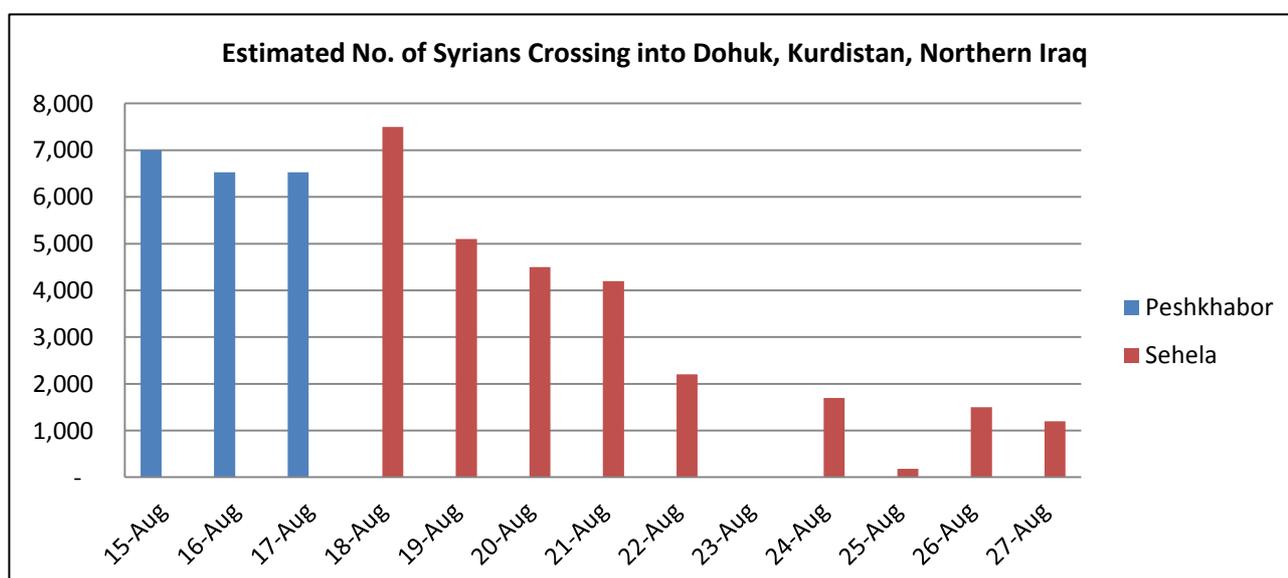
SITUATION OVERVIEW

Border Crossing

The border was opened on Tuesday, 27 August with approximately 1,200 crossing. This is slightly lower than Monday but brings the total number estimated to have crossed to more than 47,000 since 15 August.

Daily statistics of Syrian refugees crossing the border (UNHCR)

Date	Border crossing point	Persons
15 August – 23 August	Sehela / Peshkhabour	Up to 44,000
24 August	Sehela	1,700
25 August	Sehela	179
26 August	Sehela	1,500
27 August	Sehela	1,200
Total		More than 48,000



New Syrian arrivals in each location (UNHCR)*

Governorate	Location	Population (persons)
Erbil	Kawergosk Camp	Approx. 15,000 (1000 individuals in Kawrgosk town)
	Bahrak warehouse (temporary Shelter)	Approx. 4,400
	Qushtapa temporary site – Formerly Kawa site	Approx. 2,844 refugees are in schools and other buildings in Qsuhtapa area. Another 2,000 arrived in Shinaz park on Sunday evening.
	Basirma temporary site	160 families and 27 singles transferred from other locations in Basirma (332 families and 1,356 individuals in schools and other locations).
Suleimaniyah	Temporary accommodation (Arbat facility) in schools until new site is complete	900 persons are in tents (2,300 persons are accommodated in schools, a mosque and library).
People outside temporary sites		Approx. 23,000

- *These figures are estimations based on the best available information at the time of reporting.*

The total number of Syrian refugees in Iraq prior to the new influx was 154,635 persons.

UNICEF RESPONSE

SEHELA BORDER

WASH

UNICEF distributed 600, 12*0.5L cartons (3,600L) of drinking water on 26 August. Cleaning is continuing as per normal in the expanded area.

Child Protection

On 26-27 August the CP team identified 28 separated children, 11 unaccompanied children and 17 Monitoring and Reporting Mechanism (MRM) cases.

Bajed Kandala (New transit centre next to border)

Mine Advisory Group (MAG) have advised that it will take longer than planned to clear the area of sulphur and other chemicals. No estimated date has been provided.

SULIEMANIYEH

Arbat (Transit Camp)

WASH

Non-potable Water distribution is on-going. Four tankers (15,000L per tanker) delivered 75,000L of non-potable water to the camp. Twenty-five water tanks with taps (500L capacity) will be delivered on 28 August, substantially increasing the accessibility of fresh water in the camp.

Child Protection

A Child Protection facilitator will start work in the camp on 28 August. Their role will be to coordinate and monitor all UNICEF-related CP activities in the camp.

Education

An assessment was undertaken of three schools (out of 11) in Arbat town to assess the damage of the schools after their use as temporary shelters for the refugees. UNICEF will assess all schools that were used as shelters and provide support to the Government for their rehabilitation.

ERBIL CAMPS

Kawrgosk (Permanent Camp)

WASH

Both sites have been levelled and the base core of the water tanks will be going in today. The actual erection of the tanks will occur on 28 August. An additional two tanks have been ordered from Copenhagen and another from Baghdad, bringing the total number of 45,000L tanks to five.

Education

The three tents for the temporary school that were to be erected today will now be erected over the coming days due to the need to change the site. Five hundred children were registered for school and 20 teachers were identified among the camp residents.

Child protection

The three tents were erected today for the Child Protection Unit and Child Friendly Space.

Dara Shakran (Permanent Camp)

By end of the month there will be 400 tents ready for 2,000 people. The entire camp will be finished mid-late September. At this stage there are still no families at the site.

Qushtapa (Temporary Camp)

UNICEF is in discussion with the Danish Refugee Council (DRC) to deliver the comprehensive package of WASH services. Proposal pending.

Basirma (Temporary Camp)

UNICEF is in discussion with KURDS to deliver the comprehensive package of WASH services – proposal pending.

Bahrka (Temporary Camp)

WASH

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Education and Child Protection

Nothing to report.

MORE INFORMATION

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DAILY TALLY - ESTIMATED NO. SYRIAN CROSSING INTO DOHUK, KURDISTAN, NORTHERN IRAQ (UNHCR)

Date	Border crossing point	Persons
15 August	Peshkhabour	Up to 44,000
17 August	Peshkhabour	Up to 13,500
18 August	Sehela	Up to 7,500
19 August	Sehela	Approximately 5,100
20 August (as of 2pm)	Sehela	Approximately *4,500 (500 on the way)
21 August	Sehela	Approx. 4,200
22 August	Sehela	Approx. 2,200
23 August	Sehela	Border closed
24 August	Sehela	1,700
25 August	Sehela	179
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CAMP AND TRANSIT AREA LOCATIONS

