

LEBANON: RRP6 MONTHLY UPDATE - FEBRUARY

WASH



KEY ACHIEVEMENT OF THE MONTH

Hygiene promotion sessions reached over **40,000** beneficiaries in the last month.

HIGHLIGHTS:

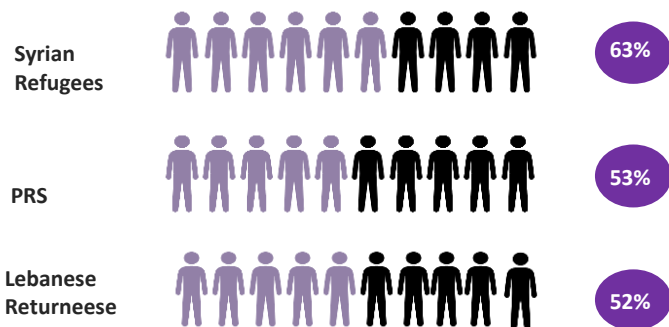
The WASH and Health sectors are collaborating closely to prepare for possible outbreaks, including scaling-up information systems and inter-sectoral assessments.

Throughout Lebanon, refugees need water for household consumption and use. Ensuring that the water is fit for use is a concern. As such, mapping the distribution of household water treatment systems is a priority to show the quality of water country-wide.

An ongoing project to map informal tented settlements allows the sector to identify gaps in WASH capacity thereby enabling more efficient and targeted WASH responses.

Accurate data entry in information systems allows reports to be generated that show WASH activities throughout the country. The continued use of information systems will help to respond to those areas most in need.

Estimated % of populations in need of support as per RRP6



Girl drinking from water tank in Aarsal - Credit s: Andrew Mc.Connell

NEEDS ANALYSIS:

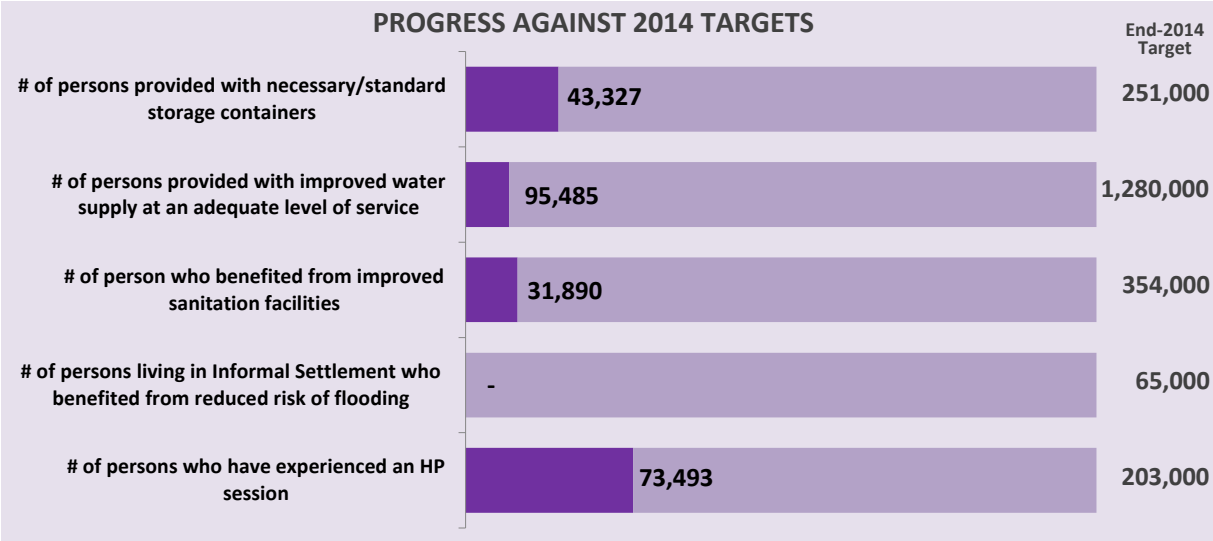
WASH assessments show that 80% of the targeted population will require hygiene promotion, 27% of affected populations will be in need of water support, and 29% will be in need of sanitation assistance.

Refugees are dispersed throughout the nation with concentrations in the Bekaa valley, Tripoli and Akkar governorates. The scattered distribution of the persons requiring WASH assistance creates a challenging situation from a logistical standpoint. Presently, refugees reside in over 1,600 locations of which some 700 are informal settlements.

Informal settlements will continue to develop due to increasing numbers of new arrivals on a monthly basis. Many new arrivals require assistance with sanitation and access to safe water. The combination of these factors can lead to deficiencies in hygiene and increases in the risk for water borne diseases.

The needs of affected persons will vary throughout the nation and will be dependent on the capacity of existing water and sanitation services and the state of the local authority infrastructure.

PROGRESS AGAINST 2014 TARGETS



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