

# Iraq : RRP6 MONTHLY UPDATE - SEPTEMBER 2014

## HEALTH



**100% of Syrian Refugees (215,387)**  
have access to health care

### SEPTEMBER HIGHLIGHTS:

- More than 30,000 refugees utilized available **primary, secondary and tertiary health care services** provided by the Directorate of Health (DoH) and NGO partners with the support of UN agencies. The overall health care utilization rate is stable, no outbreaks of communicable diseases occurred.

- A national mass polio vaccination was conducted during 5 days in September. A total of **5.69 Million children under 5 were reached**, representing 98.5% of the targeted children.

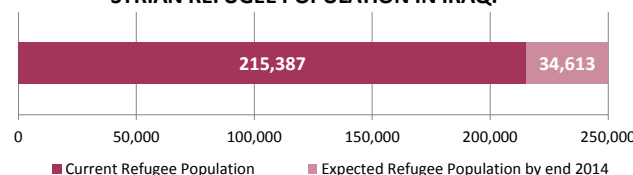
- Despite the constrained security situation, **health services continue to be provided by UNHCR's partner United Iraqi Medical Society for relief and development (UIMS)** in Al-Qaim camp, Anbar province.

- Shortages in essential drugs have become an increasing concern in urban health facilities since supply routes from Baghdad are disrupted. UN, international organizations and NGOs delivered essential medicines to the three Directorates of Health to overcome shortages.

- IMC and PU-AMI expanded activities to cover Syrian refugees living in impacted communities in Erbil and Dohuk governorate. The projects will focus on linking Syrian refugees to governmental PHCs through information campaigns to address current knowledge gaps on service availability and enhance health knowledge through behaviour change communication.



SYRIAN REFUGEE POPULATION IN IRAQ:



### PROGRESS AGAINST TARGETS:

248,403 (30,356 in September) visits to supported primary healthcare services

11,238 (623 in September) referrals to secondary or tertiary healthcare services

43,067 (4,206 in September) vaccinations given during routine EPI

5,694,120 children under 5 vaccinated against polio in mass immunization campaigns in August (5,851,230 children reached in 2014)

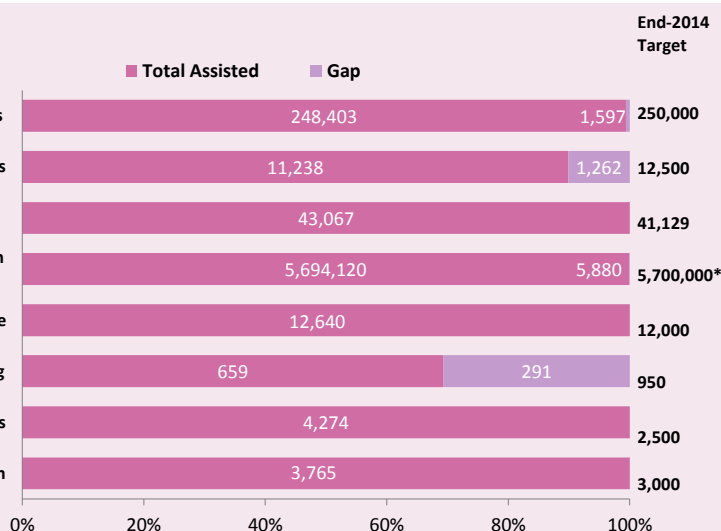
12,640 (910 in September) Syrian refugees attending antenatal care

659 (23 in September) Health Workers received training

4,274 (1,057 in September) Syrian refugees accessed mental health consultations

3,765 (425 in September) children received measles vaccination

\* Target for each national polio round covering all Iraq.



Targets based on expected population of 250,000 Syrian refugees in Iraq by end-2014. There are currently 215,387 refugees in Iraq.

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### Monthly health care utilisation rates 2014

