

TURKEY: RRP6 MONTHLY UPDATE - NOVEMBER

FOOD SECURITY



The GoT officially requested WFP to expand its programme to cover non-camp populations.

NOVEMBER HIGHLIGHTS:

In November, WFP and Turkish Red Crescent (TRC) e-food card programme reached approximately 220,000 beneficiaries in camps, which is supplemented by the AFAD e-card programme. Moreover, WFP provided support to TRC hot meal provision in Suruc. The kitchen is providing an average 637,000 meals monthly.

The Government of Turkey has officially requested WFP to expand its programme to cover non-camp populations. WFP has begun meeting with relevant agencies and authorities for a pilot programme launch in early 2015.

During November, IOM continued to support the soup kitchen run by the municipality in Gaziantep. The food kitchen supports 737 Syrian households (around 4,000 persons) living in urban areas in Gaziantep with one meal per day.

As a response to the influx in Suruc, IOM finalised the distribution of 1,500 food baskets for approximately 9,000 Syrians as of end of November.



Soup kitchen run by Gaziantep municipality - Gaziantep, IOM, 2014

The Government of Turkey takes the lead role for determining and implementing assistance provided to Syrian refugees, through the Prime Ministry Disaster and Emergency Management Presidency (AFAD). AFAD reports spending 4 billion USD on the Syrian Refugee Response in Turkey.

NEEDS ANALYSIS:

Provision of food assistance in camps (and if requested by the Government to vulnerable Syrians outside of camps) is considered to be a key priority of the response, as it is life-saving and prevents immediate risk of harm to health.

The entire population living in camps is expected to be vulnerable and will be assisted with a monthly ration of 80 Turkish Liras per person from WFP and GoT. In addition, assistance will be extended to some of the most vulnerable Syrians, living outside of camps in Turkey, with a pilot programme, if requested by Government. This population will be selected based on need and only households that are highly vulnerable to food insecurity will be targeted.

Key intervention areas include:

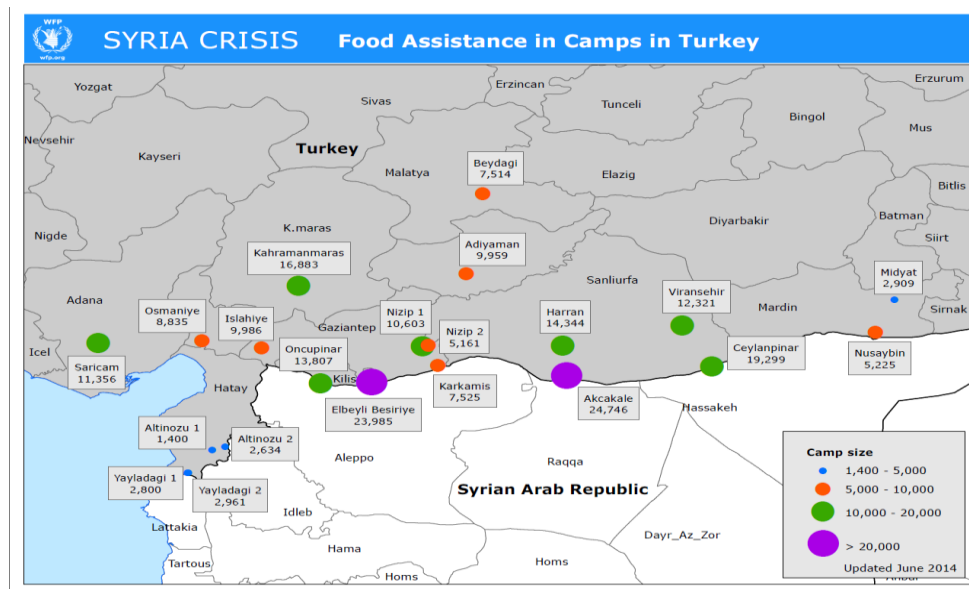
- Provision of assistance to the full estimated camp population of 300,000 refugees during 2014 with the existing modality of electronic food card assistance.
- Provision of food assistance for vulnerable Syrians living outside of camps in Turkey through a mechanism to be worked out between GoT and WFP.
- Through collaboration between GoT and FAO, implementation of a micro-gardening project, with the objective of improving refugees' diet through a holistic approach that takes into account production, preparation and composition of nutritious food.

* Needs analysis are based on the RRP6 analysis made at the end of 2013.

PROGRESS AGAINST TARGETS:



Targets based on expected population of 1,000,000 Syrian refugees in Turkey by end-2014. Currently (as end of November), there are 1,060,279 registered Syrian refugees in Turkey and the government estimates a total of over 1.6 million Syrian refugees.



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