



SYRIAN REFUGEES

INTER-AGENCY REGIONAL UPDATE

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KEY FIGURES

3.8 million

Syrian refugees have fled to neighboring countries and North Africa

1.9 million

Refugees and vulnerable members of impacted communities are receiving food assistance in 2014

1.7 million

People have been provided with access to safe drinking water in 2014

966,000

People have benefited from shelter assistance in camp and non-camp settings in 2014

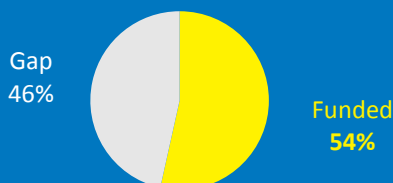
1 million

People have benefited from the distribution of basic household and core relief items in 2014.

2014 FUNDING

USD 3.7 billion

requested for the situation



3RP OVERVIEW

4.3m refugees
(Projected December 2015)

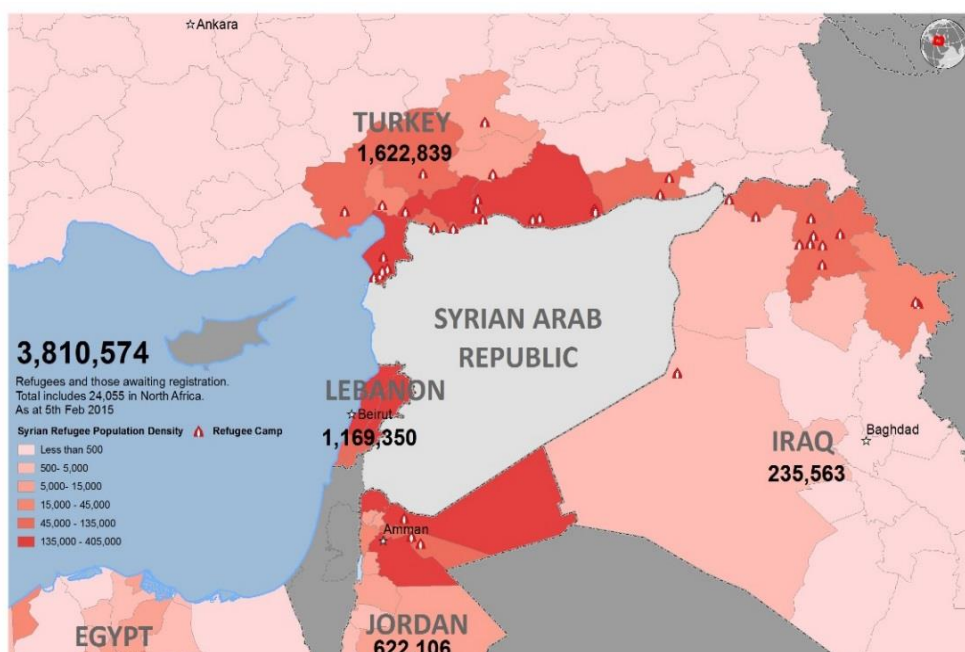
5.9m direct beneficiaries

\$5.5 billion required

HIGHLIGHTS

- The International Humanitarian City (IHC) has donated US\$ 1 million in emergency cash assistance to assist some of the most vulnerable Syrian refugee families living in Jordan. The donation, which came as part of the UAE's Compassion (Tarahamou) campaign, will benefit 2,070 of the most vulnerable Syrian families, whereby each family will receive \$480. In addition to the cash assistance, the IHC has recently donated 100,000 blankets to Syrian refugees in Jordan.
- Since 2013, a total of 26,588 Syrian refugees from the region have been submitted for resettlement and humanitarian admissions to third countries by UNHCR, and 8,116 have already departed. In addition, a further 11,130 places have been granted by States via visas under other forms of admission. UNHCR continues to encourage greater burden-sharing with countries hosting Syrian refugees through resettlement opportunities or other forms of admission and will seek another 100,000 resettlement places for Syrian refugees in 2015 and 2016.

A total of **3.8 million** people of concern



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UPDATE ON ACHIEVEMENTS

Operational Context

Insecurity and violence continued to cause displacement within Syria and across the Middle East. By the end of the year, more than 3.8 million Syrians had fled to neighboring countries.

Needs remain enormous. Government services and local communal services are under strain due to the increased demand, impacting service quality for both refugees and nationals, and threatening social cohesion. Lebanon and Jordan currently rank first and second in the world in refugees per capita.

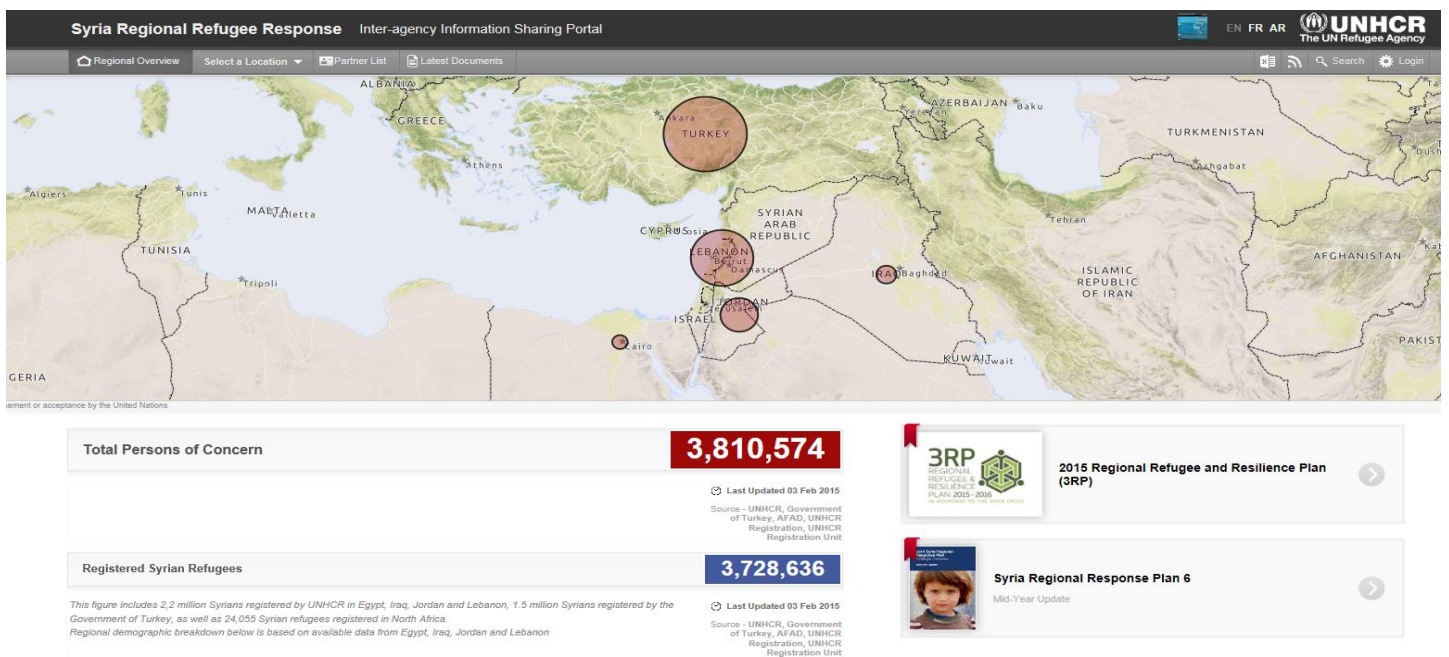
More than 3 million people are directly affected by the Syria crisis in Lebanon, where one in every four people is a refugee. On 31 December 2014, Lebanon's General Security Office published new regulations for the entry of Syrians, which took effect on 5 January 2015. The new regulations allow Syrian refugees already in Lebanon to renew their residency permits every six months from within Lebanon for a fee. The new regulations require Syrian nationals who wish to enter Lebanon to declare their purpose for entry. Syrians with eligible purposes and supporting documentation will then be given entry with a validity period ranging from 72 hours to six months renewable. Syrians who do not specify their purpose for entry require sponsorship by a Lebanese national.

Turkey's General Directorate of Migration Management (GDMM) have now registered more than 1.5 million Syrian refugees registered in the country, following significant efforts to increase registration capacity at the end of 2014. Some 265,000 of these refugees are living in 24 camps across the south of Turkey.

The arrival of Syrian refugees into Jordan has fallen markedly since early October 2014. The Government of Jordan continues to extend protection to Syrian refugees within the country, but is increasingly concerned of the potential security implications of the crises in neighboring Iraq and Syria.

In the region, some 400,000 refugees are accommodated in refugee camps. Outside of camps, it is estimated that 38 per cent of refugees live in sub-standard shelter. The provision of winterization assistance to the most vulnerable is an ongoing priority for humanitarian and government actors as temperatures continue to drop.

Monthly sectoral dashboards are published on the [Syria Regional Response Data Portal](#), detailing sectoral priorities, achievements and needs by country and regionally.



The Regional Refugee and Resilience Plan 2015-2016

The Regional Refugee and Resilience Plan (3RP) for 2015-2016 was jointly launched in Berlin with the 2015 Syria Strategic Response Plan on 18 December 2014.

The plan comprises two inter-connected components. ***The 3RP Refugee protection and humanitarian component*** will address the protection and assistance needs of refugees living in camps, in settlements and in local communities in all sectors, as well as the most vulnerable members of impacted communities. ***The 3RP Resilience/Stabilization based development component*** which will address the resilience and stabilization needs of impacted and vulnerable communities in all sectors; build the capacities of national and sub-national service delivery systems; strengthen the ability of governments to lead the crisis response; and provide the strategic, technical and policy support to advance national response.

It is expected that there will be up to 4.27 million Syrian refugees in the region by the end of 2015. If fully funded, the 3RP will also directly or indirectly benefit up to 21 million people in affected communities. The 3RP brings together some 200 government, UN and NGO partners, presenting total requirements of US\$ 5.5 billion for 2015.



Protection

LEBANON

- In October 2014, the Ministry of Social Affairs (MOSA) and UNICEF launched the National Plan to safeguard women and children in Lebanon. This plan, budgeted at US\$ 19 million, aims to ensure access to prevention and response services to vulnerable children and women. The implementation of the plan was kick-started at the end of January through directors of MOSA's social development centres (SDCs) and involved implementing partners who are working to roll out services to women and children at these centres.

IRAQ

- Verification and biometric registration of Syrian refugees is being implemented in Duhok, Erbil and Sulaymaniyah Governorates. By the end of December 2014, iris scanning of 72,558 individuals was uploaded in the regional database and their individual data was verified.
- Protection monitoring and co-ordination of protection activities in all camps in KR-I continued. The validity of the residency cards for the Syrian refugees in Erbil camps has been extended from six months to one year. The similar regime is expected to be soon introduced for the Erbil non-camp refugee population, which is pending the formal endorsement of the Director General of the Residency Department.

EGYPT

- During 2014, more than 3,000 individuals, including more than 1,400 Syrian nationals, have been arrested for attempting to irregularly depart Egypt.



Education

LEBANON

- As detailed in the last update, the Ministry of Education and Higher Education (MEHE) announced in December that 147 schools had been selected for second shifts to accommodate growing demand. The MEHE will release a circular to directors of the 147 second shift schools to ensure that they are open during weekends and holidays. Students will be able to complete the minimum of 750 hours required for the 2014/2015 academic school year.
- As of end of January, enrolment of students in second shift schools is still ongoing, although initial estimations from MEHE indicate that more than 51,000 children have already enrolled, with more than 7,000 on waiting lists.
- Education and non-education humanitarian partners are hugely engaged in outreach efforts and dissemination of information to encourage parents to enrol their children.

- In Tripoli, all second shift schools started operating on 26 January. Although transportation is not provided, around 4,340 children are attending school.
- In South Lebanon, public schools suspended classes following security incident at the border based on instructions from MEHE and school directors.

IRAQ

- As of 31 December, there are a total of 35,315 children enrolled in formal education, of these 16,423 are in camps and 18,893 in host community schools. Non-formal education activities are being provided to 6,166 children in Erbil and Duhok.
- As of 31 December, 28,745 children received school supplies and 22,229 children received psychosocial support.
- There is a shortage of the Syrian teachers and education space in both camp and non-camp schools due to the influx of new students from Kobane. Additional schools and pre-fabricated classrooms are being constructed to accommodate more children.

EGYPT

- During December, 2,459 Syrian students benefited from the education grants in Egypt. In total 25,000 grants were distributed for the 2014/2015 academic year.
- UNICEF, Save the Children and UNHCR continued to support the Ministry of Education with teacher training, capacity enhancement through the provision of supplies, school furniture, and construction of new classrooms as well as well management training for inspectors of Education in all governorates hosting Syrian refugees.
- During 2014, 433 administrators and school personnel from 135 schools were provided with training about high-density classroom management. 95 new classrooms were added in four public schools hosting the highest number of Syrian refugees in Cairo, Giza, Qalyoubeyya, Damietta and Alexandria.



Food Security and Nutrition

LEBANON

- Since the beginning of January, WFP and humanitarian partners reached approximately 908,826 beneficiaries through e-cards and food parcels.
- In the week 23 to 30 January, the International Orthodox Christian Charities (IOCC) supported a community kitchen in Akkar, distributing 720 food pots and bread parcels for 240 vulnerable Lebanese and Syrian refugee families (1,200 individuals).

IRAQ

- In December 2014, WFP provided in-kind food assistance to 29,752 beneficiaries in six camps including Al Obaidi, Arbat, Basirma, Gawilan, Kawergosk and Qushtapa through the distribution of monthly individual food parcels. The increase in the total number of beneficiaries assisted through in December is due to ongoing arrival of Syrian refugees from Kobane.
- 64,999 beneficiaries were reached in December with food vouchers in Domiz camp. Food assistance was also transitioned from in-kind food distribution to food vouchers in Akre and Darashakran camps in December. As a result, the total number of beneficiaries who received food vouchers in December was 74,179 valued at US\$2.3 million.
- Since the start of the voucher programme, over US\$48 million has been injected into the local economy.

EGYPT

- Food voucher distribution for the December round ended, benefitting 96,861 individuals. To date, more than US\$ 40 million has been injected into the local economy through food vouchers.



LEBANON

- The second phase of the 2014 polio campaign and the planning for third phase in 2015 were discussed in a meeting held in Beirut on 26 and 27 January. Sessions involved participants from eight different countries by their Ministries of Health, in addition to the WHO and UNICEF. Discussions focused on the successful containment of the polio outbreak in the Middle East, which prevented the spread of polio after cases were identified in Syria and Iraq.
- Between 23 to 30 January, approximately 6,100 primary health care consultations were conducted throughout Lebanon. Consultations were provided by Amel, Caritas Lebanon Migrants Centre (CLMC), Makassed, Union for Relief and Development Association (URDA) and UNHCR in coordination with the Ministry of Public Health (MOPH) through mobile or center-based clinics. Additionally, some 1,200 individuals were hospitalized this week with UNHCR's support.
- Another 3,500 individuals benefited from awareness sessions provided by CLMC, IOCC, URDA and UNHCR. Sessions covered malnutrition screening, nutritional awareness, reproductive health, infant and young child feeding (IYCF), contraception, first aid and health promotion for children.

IRAQ

- As of 31 December, 100% of Syrian refugees (233,625 individuals) have access to health care and more than 39,000 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.
- From 25 September to 31 December, more than 26,000 new refugees arrived in KR-I. DoH Duhok set up mobile units at the border crossing to vaccinate against measles and polio and to conduct triage.
- During 2014, more than 5.8 million children under 5 were vaccinated against polio in mass immunization campaigns.

EGYPT

- UNICEF, WHO and UNHCR are conducting regular field visits to ensure the necessary support to the mainstreaming of health services for Syrian refugees in Alexandria and Damietta into public health facilities.
- WHO and UNHCR are mapping the health facilities and health services available for Syrians. A dedicated GIS software was presented at the health working group meeting, followed by a discussion on the information to be included and the layers to be displayed.



Shelter and NFIs

LEBANON

- Since the beginning of January 2015, Cooperative Housing Foundation (CHF) assessed and completed a bill of quantities (a document used in tendering in the construction industry) for 34 small shelter units benefiting 66 households (330 individuals) in the Chouf area. An additional 57 small shelter units for 102 households (510 individuals) have been identified and CHF is negotiating with landlords to facilitate the process.

TURKEY

- As of 24 January, there are 265,000 Syrians staying in 23 camps, excluding the new camp in Suruç.
- The total number of operational camps in Turkey has now increased to 24. Admissions to the new camp in Suruç, started on 25 January. A total of 7,000 tents will have the capacity to accommodate over 35,000 people. By 23 January, UNHCR had completed furnishing the camp. In addition to kitchen sets, mattresses and blankets for 1,000 households (5,000 individuals), UNHCR has delivered an additional 5,000 blankets (two per person) and 1,000 electric heaters (one per household).

IRAQ

- As of 31 December, 91,465 refugees in camps have been provided with emergency shelter, out of which 49,905 are benefiting from improved shelter facilities (tent foundation and cooking areas). 2,546 refugees from Kobane (mostly newly arrived) benefited from shelter assistance in camps.
- Notwithstanding that the main focus for the shelter sector are the camp refugees, there are some urgent needs for the non-camp population. These include advocacy for continued refugee residency in host communities, upgrades to the dwellings of refugees living in non-camp settings, and the prevention of informal settlements in urban areas. In this non-camp setting, families that include persons with specific needs (PSNs) will be targeted for assistance first, while mixed approaches will be taken for those non-PSNs.
- In Domiz camp, Duhok, the area of the camp remains not enough to accommodate the existing refugee population (54,534 persons). The available space per person remains less than UNHCR standard (30 sq. m per person). Shelter improvement is required for 6,000 tents (accommodating 30,000 individuals).

EGYPT

- UNHCR, Caritas and Resala are working together to assist vulnerable Syrian refugees meet their basic needs by providing them on a monthly basis with cash grants. In December, 25,567 vulnerable Syrian refugees were assisted in Egypt representing 19% of the registered population. The value of cash assistance varies between EGP 400 (equivalent to US\$ 57) and EGP 1,300 (equivalent to US\$ 185) based on to the level of vulnerability and household size. The monthly cash assistance programme injected US\$ 738,818 into the local economy in December.



Water and Sanitation

LEBANON

- In the week 23 to 30 January, UN-Habitat and UNICEF signed a Memorandum of Understanding aimed at providing 45,000 people with better sanitation services. The project amounts to US\$ 2.2 million and will start in early February.
- UN agencies and humanitarian partners completed the installation of two water pumps in Jba'a village in the South. These pumps will provide more than 12,000 Lebanese and 900 Syrian refugees with access to water.

IRAQ

- As of 31 December 2014, 91,946 Syrian refugees living in camps in Iraq were reached with WASH services, including adequate solid and liquid waste disposal and access to safe drinking water, latrines and bathing facilities.
- As part of Sector's continued effort to maintain and upgrade sanitation facilities for the 50,700 Syrians currently residing in Domiz Camp (Duhok Governorate): 600 individuals (120 families) benefitted from the construction of 38 new sewage holding tanks (NRC and FRC); the rehabilitation of 169 toilets and construction of 75 new toilets; and the rehabilitation of 19 showers (NRC).
- In Kawergosk Camp, Erbil Governorate, all WASH facilities, including minor repairs and maintenance have been finalized in order to receive refugees in the permanent site.



Community Empowerment and Self-Reliance

LEBANON

- Out of 46 Community Support Projects (CSPs) initiated in 2014 and amounting to US\$ 2.9 million, 32 projects were completed in different sectors: water and sanitation, social cohesion, livelihoods, health care and education in the North, Bekaa and Mount Lebanon.

EGYPT

- By the end of 2014, 4,876 persons were provided with training sessions for employment purposes with 885 persons employed and 632 businesses created.

Working in partnership

- The Regional refugee and Resilience Plan (3RP) is a unique and coordinated initiative involving humanitarian and development partners, including governments, United Nations agencies, and national and international NGOs.

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Council](#) | CARE International | [CCPA Lebanon](#) | CDO Civil Development Organization | [CISP Comitato Internazionale per
lo Sviluppo dei Popoli](#) | CLMC Caritas Lebanon Migrant Center | [CONCERN](#) | COOPI Cooperazione Internazionale | [CRS
Catholic Relief Services](#) | DCA Dan Church Aid | [DOT Digital Opportunity Trust](#) | DRC Danish Refugee Council |
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 di Volontariato | [HI Handicap International](#) | Humedica | [HWA Hilfswerk Austria International](#) | ILO International Labour
 Office | [IMC International Medical Corps](#) | International Alert | [INTERSOS](#) | IOCC International Orthodox Christian
 Charities | [IOM International Organization for Migration](#) | IRC International Rescue Committee | [IRW Islamic Relief
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 Development Organization | [UNODC United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime](#) | UNOPS United Nations Office for
 Project Services | [UNRWA United Nations Relief and Works Agency](#) | URDA Union of Relief and Development
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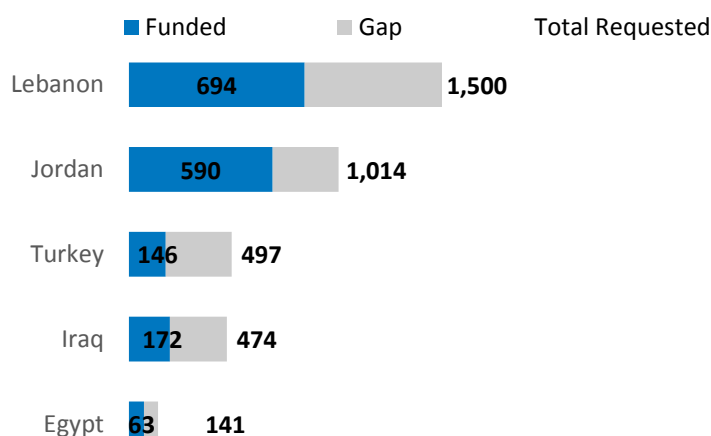
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Funding (in million USD)

A total of **USD 2.3 billion*** has been funded (source FTS OCHA)



**Includes USD 327 million of regionally earmarked funds that has been received and is pending allocation by country.*

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