



In 2017, food sector partners have reached over 2.7 million individuals with food assistance through cash, voucher or in-kind modality, this represents over 100 per cent of the overall target for 2017. Almost 10,000 individuals also received food and agricultural livelihoods support. Some highlights of the Food Security Sector across the region in December include:

In Jordan, following the successful roll-out of “choice” modality in Madaba governorate in August, food sector partners expanded the modality to two additional governorates; Balqa and Zarqa reaching 60,000 Syrian refugees with a total amount of USD 1.2 million. “Choice” is an innovative modality introduced by WFP Jordan, allowing beneficiaries to redeem the assistance they receive from WFP through food-restricted vouchers or unrestricted cash, or both as per their preferred choice based on their personal circumstances. In **Turkey**, 153,770 Syrian men, women, boys, girls and the elderly received food assistance (including school feeding) in 2017. In **Lebanon**, 971,416 individuals received in-kind food assistance, including vulnerable members of the host community. 91 per cent of Syrian refugee households remain food insecure to some degree, and the share of households classified as moderately and severely food insecure grew from 36 to 38 per cent. Limited access to economic resources remained one of the main constraints on Syrian refugee households, limiting both their access to food and the possibility of finding and sustaining livelihoods. In **Iraq**, over 56,000 Syrian refugees living in camps/in communities received food assistance in December 2017. In **Egypt**, the December distribution took place from 10-12 December, reaching 74,425 Syrian refugees with food vouchers valued at EGP 400, which is equivalent to approximately USD 22.

