



The monthly *What's New? LRP Update* newsletter provides a consolidated overview of the latest strategic, operational, and analytical updates related to the Lebanon Response Plan (LRP). It brings together key planning documents, funding updates, assessments, dashboards, and situation reports to ensure partners have timely access to critical information. The newsletter aims to support coordinated planning, evidence-based decision-making, and continued alignment across stakeholders and response partners under the LRP framework.

Flash Update on Escalation of Hostilities in Lebanon #46 – As of 23 July 2026

This Flash Update reports that the humanitarian situation in Lebanon remains critical despite continued returns, with significant humanitarian and protection needs persisting among displaced populations, returnees, and host communities. Ongoing hostilities in or near the IDF-declared military area continue to expose civilians to significant protection risks. As of 23 July, the Ministry of Public Health reports at least 4,329 people were killed and 12,233 were injured. Moreover, 753,024 people reported returning to their areas of origin, while 375,090 people remain displaced, including 29,500 displaced inside 271 collective shelters. The Flash Appeal stands at 44.8 per cent funded, making it challenging to sustain humanitarian assistance. Humanitarian partners continue to prioritize the delivery of a coordinated, multi-sector response across Lebanon while prioritizing de-escalation and cessation of hostilities, as well as the protection of civilians. The latest Flash Update is available [here](#).

Lebanon Mobility Snapshot Round 109 – 23 July 2026

This report is based on IOM's Displacement Tracking Matrix (DTM) Mobility Tracking exercise and is complemented by data from national systems, including the Lebanese Red Cross (LRC) and the Disaster Risk Management (DRM), to support data triangulation and validation. As of 22 July 2026, IOM's DTM identified 375,090 internally displaced persons (IDPs) across Lebanon, noting that 753,024 IDPs are reported to have returned. Data was collected remotely through IOM's network of key informants, including municipality officials, mukhtars, community representatives, and neighbourhood focal points. Population figures for collective sites were sourced from the DRM dashboard. The latest Mobility Snapshot Round 109 is available [here](#).

UNHCR-Facilitated Return of Displaced Syrians, Lebanon – June 2026

This overview was prepared by UNHCR to provide an update on the Facilitated Return of Displaced Syrians in Lebanon. Since 1 January 2025, 655,732 Syrian individuals known to UNHCR have been inactivated from UNHCR's database due to confirmed and presumed returns to Syria. Among them, 78,128 individuals (12%) were facilitated to return by UNHCR: 60, 836 under the voluntary return programme and 17,292 under the return due to force majeure programme since 1 April 2026. In response to the escalation of hostilities in Lebanon, UNHCR launched the return due to force majeure (RFM) programme on 1 April 2026, based on a humanitarian imperative to alleviate harm and support refugees who were left with no viable alternative other than to return to Syria. The latest dashboard for UNHCR-Facilitated Return of Displaced Syrians is available [here](#).

Tensions Monitoring System (TMS): Tensions Pulse Reports

In continuation of its monitoring support, the Tensions Monitoring System (TMS), established in 2017 through a collaboration between UNDP, UNHCR, the Ministry of Social Affairs, and the Ministry of Interior and Municipalities in Lebanon, is releasing the Tensions Pulse every other day and in a weekly format. The Tensions Pulse aims to equip decision makers and humanitarian actors with timely, evidence-driven insights to support informed planning and response adaptation. It features a Tensions Dashboard, Online Narratives section, Map of Geographical Hotspots, and a "What to Watch" segment outlining emerging issues to monitor closely. The TMS Tensions Pulse reports are available [here](#).

Short-Term Employment Opportunities (STEO) Guidelines – 2026

The Short-Term Employment Opportunities (STEO) Guidelines have been developed by the Livelihoods sector to support partners implementing employment programmes under the Lebanon Response Plan (LRP). The guidelines provide a standardized framework covering programme design, legal compliance, transfer values, safeguards, gender and disability inclusion, monitoring, reporting, and pathways to longer-term employment. They also strengthen alignment with national priorities by integrating employability and skills-building into STEO programming, promoting a consistent and harmonized approach to implementation across partners and regions. The STEO guidelines are available [here](#).

Emergency Cash for Work (Emergency CfW) Guidelines – 2026

The Emergency Cash for Work (CfW) Guidelines have been developed by the Livelihoods sector to guide partners implementing Emergency CfW under the Lebanon Flash Appeal extension (June–August 2026). The guidelines establish a dedicated humanitarian modality to provide short-term income replacement for crisis-affected households, outlining eligibility criteria, targeting, operational parameters, coordination arrangements, and reporting requirements to support a timely and consistent emergency response. The guidelines also clarify the distinction between Emergency CfW and stabilization Short-Term Employment Opportunities (STEO), including their respective objectives, duration, and implementation parameters. The Emergency CfW Guidelines are available [here](#).

Gender-Based Violence (GBV) Safety Audit Dashboard – 2026

This Safety Audit Dashboard by the GBV Working Group enables users to explore the data underpinning the analysis and findings of the GBV Safety Audit May 2026 report. It provides the Ministry of Social Affairs (MoSA), sector leads, partners, and other stakeholders with a detailed view of the activities and indicators used in the final analysis, with filtering options by governorate, district, and site. The dashboard supports evidence-based decision-making by helping stakeholders identify priority sites and determine the actions required to mitigate GBV risks in collective shelters across Lebanon. The GBV Safety Audit Dashboard is available [here](#).

Gender-Based Violence Information Management Systems (GBVIMS) Comparative Narrative Analysis – April to May 2026

The GBVIMS Comparative Narrative Analysis presents a comparative overview of reported GBV incidents recorded through the GBVIMS in Lebanon during April and May 2026. This latest report shows that following the escalation of hostilities in March 2026, reported incidents increased by 75.9 per cent between March and April and by a further 1.6 per cent in May. IDPs made up a significantly larger share of survivors accessing care, increasing from 12 per cent in April to 21 per cent in May (85% increase in total IDP survivors served). Meanwhile, self-referrals declined as referrals from partner organizations rose substantially, highlighting the critical role of inter-sectoral coordination and safe referral pathways in connecting survivors to support. The GBVIMS Comparative Narrative Analysis is available [here](#).

Gender and Disability Alert: Displacement, Disability and Gender in Lebanon's 2026 Crisis

This Gender and Disability Alert was developed by UN Women Lebanon in partnership with the Lebanese Union for People with Physical Disabilities (LUPD) and Trócaire, with the support of the Government of Australia and the Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Finland. It examines the impact of Lebanon's 2026 conflict and large-scale displacement on persons with disabilities, particularly women and girls with disabilities. Drawing on humanitarian data, government sources, rapid assessments, testimonies and evidence from Organizations of Persons with Disabilities, it identifies gaps in data, accessible shelter, protection, services and humanitarian assistance. It also presents recommendations for a disability-inclusive, gender-responsive and rights-based humanitarian response. This report is available [here](#).

UNHCR Protection Monitoring Report - Q1 2026

The ongoing protection monitoring report is conducted by UNHCR to analyze trends in the protection environment and risks facing refugees. This is implemented at the regional and at the national levels by UNHCR's protection monitoring partners. Partners conduct interviews with refugee households and key informants to gather their feedback on the overall protection environment in Lebanon. The Protection Monitoring Report for Q1 2025 is available [here](#).

Referral Information Management System (RIMS) Snapshot – Q2 2026

The Q2 2026 Referral Information Management System (RIMS) snapshot has been published by the Danish Refugee Council (DRC). The RIMS snapshot is produced every quarter to summarize key data of referrals conducted through RIMS in Lebanon. It is designed to complement the RIMS' analytical reports which contain in-depth analysis of effectiveness and accountability in referral pathways. This issue covers the period between April to June 2026 and is available [here](#).

Further Situation Reports and Updates

The UNHCR Middle East Situation: Lebanon Emergency Flash Update #14 (22 June – 5 July 2026) is available [here](#).
The IOM Lebanon Situation Report #12 (16 June – 1 July 2026) is available [here](#).
The WHO Lebanon Health Emergency Situation Update #30 (23 July 2026) is available [here](#).
The UNRWA Lebanon Emergency Response Situation Report #14 (17 June – 14 July 2026) is available [here](#).
The UNFPA Lebanon Emergency Situation Report (23 June – 7 July 2026) is available [here](#).
The Food Security and Agriculture Sector Lebanon Emergency Response Situation Report #40 (23 July 2026) is available [here](#).
The Health Sector Emergency Situation Report #16 (22 June 2026) is available [here](#).
The Protection Sector Emergency Situation Report #15 (2 March – 17 July 2026) is available [here](#).
The Protection Sector Monitoring Emergency Snapshot (16 May – 7 June 2026) is available [here](#).
The WaSH Sector Lebanon Emergency Response Situation Report #66 (19 June 2026) is available [here](#).
The Logistics and Telecommunications Cluster Lebanon Escalation Situation Report #7 (1 May – 30 June 2026) is available [here](#).