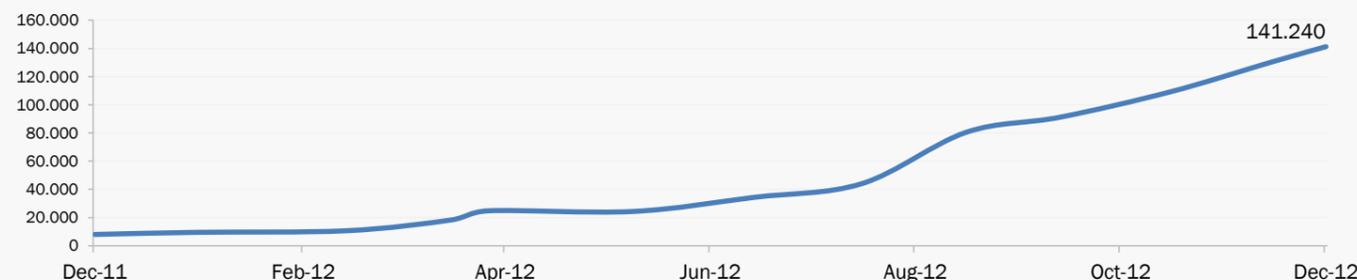


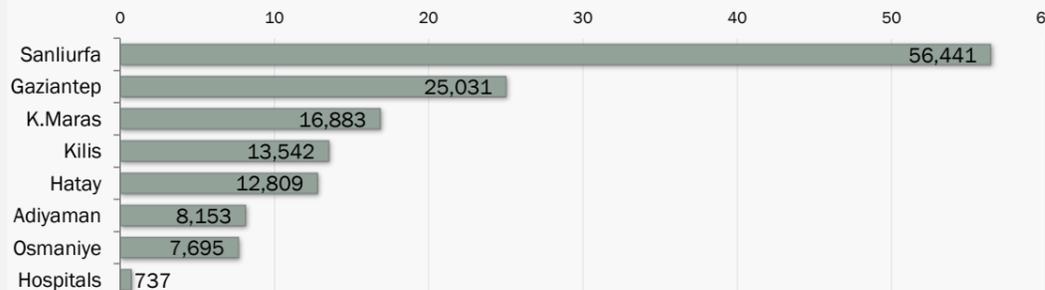
Official Population in Camps in Turkey	141.240
Total Number of Arrivals since April 2011	270.000
Unofficial Estimated Number in the Camps	145.000
Estimated Number of Syrians Living in Urban Areas	60-70,000

Population Trends



Number of Syrians by Province

The number of Syrians living in the Urban Area are not included



Age & Gender of Registered Syrian Refugees



Highlights

- According to the information from Turkish Government (MFA/AFAD) the total number of Syrians accommodated in 14 camps, in 7 provinces increased to **141,240** persons including those under medical treatment in hospitals and their companions (737 persons) on 16 Dec. 2012. During the week of 10-16 Dec. 4,945 new arrivals were reportedly admitted from the borders and 1,397 Syrians returned to Syria voluntarily.
- It was reported by the local authorities MFA/Sub Governor of Ceylanpinar that due to the conflict between the opposition groups and the Syrian Gov. forces in Ras Al-Ayn (across Ceylanpinar) on 12-13 Dec. 2012, 23 wounded Syrians were brought to Turkey of whom 2 died. No influx took place towards the border.
- The shortage in the capacity of the existing operational camps is the main challenge. As of end of the reporting period the total number of Syrians registered in 14 camps is %12 more than the camps' capacity. According to the figures of Ceylanpinar and Akcakale camps, more than 15,000 people registered in these two camps are staying with their relatives in the nearby villages with permission from the camp officials. It was also reported by other camps that they have to accommodate some thousands of people in the communal tents due to shortage of space in the camps. There are some more than 2,500 Syrians accommodated in communal tents in Kahramanmaraş.
- It is reported by the local authorities (MFA/Coordinator Governorate), there are 6 more camps are under construction of which 5 are container sites and 1 tent camp. Two of the container sites Nizp-2 in Gaziantep province with 5,000 capacity and Harran Kokenli in Sanliurfa province with 10,000 capacity are expected to be completed by end of Dec 2012 or early Jan. 2013.
- UNHCR is working in close cooperation with Government officials (Kizilay and AFAD) to provide support to the winterization of the camps. It was also agreed with the Government of Turkey that UNHCR will provide kitchen sets and cooking sets for the expansion of WFP food card system to other camps.

