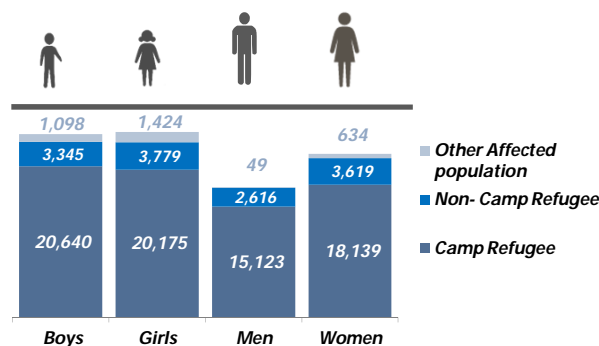




REFUGEE POPULATION IN JORDAN



POPULATION ASSISTED BY PROTECTION SECTOR IN JANUARY



JANUARY HIGHLIGHTS

Verification process: The re-registration / verification exercise started in Zaatari on Monday 27th January. As of the end of January, more than 1,000 individuals were processed. Processing is expected to increase over time, with higher intake rates on a daily basis. As part of the exercise, the Government of Jordan returns Syrian documents, and all refugees also receive a Ministry of Interior Service Card, a new Ration Card, a Proof of Registration and a Health Booklet.

Birth registration: As part of a birth registration campaign, UNHCR, UNICEF and the SRCD have produced a public information brochure and poster in Arabic and English, detailing the procedures for refugees to obtain official birth notifications and birth certificates, including the types of documents required to obtain birth registration.

SGBV Strategy and Work Plan review and update: Priorities for 2014 include: 1) Prevention and mainstreaming interventions; 2) engaging men and boys 3) increasing the effectiveness of outreach to SGBV survivors with restricted movements and other individuals with specific needs, including people with disabilities and LGBTI individuals.

Early and Forced Marriage Task Force: The working structures have been

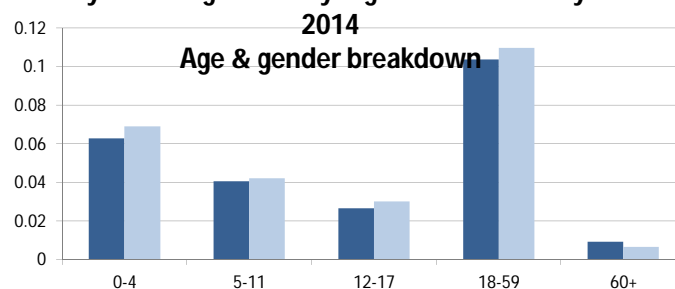


UNHCR, UNICEF, SRCD Birth Registration Campaign Poster

PROTECTION SECTOR OBJECTIVES

1. Refugees fleeing Syria are able to access the territory, to seek asylum and their rights are respected.
2. Community empowerment, engagement, outreach and self-reliance is strengthened and expanded, and women, girls, boys and men are engaged in the planning, implementation and evaluation of services.
3. The risks and consequences of SGBV experienced by women, girls, boys and men are reduced and/or mitigated, and the quality of response is improved.
4. Emergency CP interventions for boys and girls are strengthened and harmonized.
5. Durable and protection solutions are made available to refugees from Syria.

Syrian refugees newly registered in January 2014



NEEDS ANALYSIS:

The Protection Sector has identified several areas of need:

- * refugees, particularly women and girls, report that they do not have sufficient information about available services and/or they do not feel comfortable accessing services
- * governance structures and community based protection mechanisms continue to be a need, especially in relation to women's and youth participation
- * procedures for spontaneous returns remain unclear to many refugees
- * families in Zaatari report security fears in the camp, including alleged gang violence
- * in both camp and non-camp settings, restrictions on Syrian labour continues to present significant challenges and refugees report resentment from host communities

SGBV:

- * young Syrian women have reported experiencing SGBV in Jordan, in addition to reporting sexual violence as a persistent feature of the conflict in Syria
- * women and girls, especially, require strengthened multi-disciplinary assistance following SGBV incidents
- * the development of a multi-disciplinary response to the specific needs of boys and men who experience SGBV is required

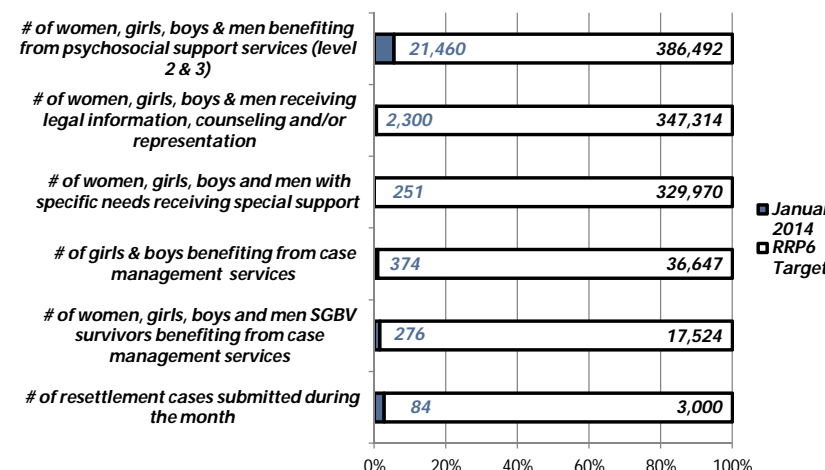
Child protection:

- * the multi-sectoral response to violence against children (at home, in schools and in public areas) needs strengthening
- * a significant numbers of boys and girls are engaged in child labour; diversion activities and empowerment of refugee families is required
- * reunification of separated or unaccompanied children with their families remains a priority

MHPSS:

- * adolescents in Zaatari have reported a number of mental health and psycho-social concerns but there is a gap in protective support and aimed at helping prevent violence
- * there is a lack of specialised programming for longer-term mental health problems
- * awareness of services available to people suffering from crisis-induced and pre-existing mental health problems and intellectual disabilities remains crucial

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