



While arrival rates are not as high as last year, large numbers of Syrian refugees are still on the move seeking safety in the region

REGIONAL HIGHLIGHTS:

In Turkey, the registration of Syrian refugees under the supervision of the Ministry of Interior continues at a high rate. Since the start of 2015, approximately 122,500 additional individuals have been registered.

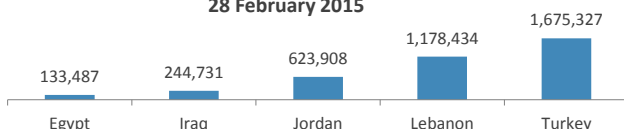
In Iraq, Syrian refugees from Kobani and other areas continue to arrive through two border crossings, with more than 33,000 having now arrived since September 2014.

In Egypt, some Syrian refugees and Palestine refugees from Syria continue to be detained for attempting irregular movement from or through Egypt. 3RP partners advocate for release and provide humanitarian assistance for those in detention.

In Lebanon, over 13,800 Syrian refugees were registered in February, 70 per cent fewer than were registered during the month of February in 2014.

In Jordan, the number of registered Syrian refugees stands at 623,908. In February the annual participatory assessment exercise began, under which discussion will take place with the different refugee communities about their needs, their priorities and their proposed solutions with a view to evaluating ongoing programme activities and to plan for 2016.

**Syrian refugees registered or awaiting registration
28 February 2015**



NEEDS ANALYSIS:

While the conflict in Syria continues to cause loss of life, injury, destruction and displacement on a large scale, it is increasingly difficult for Syrians to find safety, including by seeking asylum. Many of those arriving in host countries in the region are increasingly vulnerable and many have been displaced multiple times prior to arriving.

International solidarity and burden-sharing with host countries are therefore ever more important to preserve protection space for refugees and ensure protection from refoulement. Access to registration, verification, including through the use of biometrics, and the renewal of documentation remain critical. They also assist, along with community-based protection processes, to ensure that refugees' need for information and engagement - especially for those living outside of camps - is met.

Refugee children, including the more than 142,000 Syrian children who have been born in exile since the conflict began, require specific assistance, as do survivors of violence, including SGBV, which has been a persistent feature of the conflict which affects women, girls, boys and men in different way.

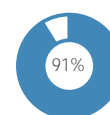


Mobile registration/coordination center in Suruç, Şanlıurfa, Turkey. UNHCR / E. Argunhan

Sector Response Summary:



4,687,000 Refugees & Local
Community Members targeted for
assistance by end-2015
4,273,522 assisted in 2015



Syrian Refugees in the Region:



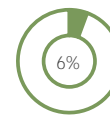
4,270,000 Syrian Refugees
expected by end-2015
3,855,887 currently registered or
awaiting registration



3RP Overall Funding Status:



USD 4.5 billion
required in 2015 (Agencies)
USD 259.56 million received in 2015



ACCESS TO DOCUMENTATION VITAL FOR REFUGEE PROTECTION

Access to documentation is vital to enable refugees to stay in their host countries and to access basic protections and services.

In Jordan, the urban re-registration exercise was launched by the Government during February. During this exercise, all Syrian nationals living in Jordan outside refugee camps will be issued a new Ministry of Interior service card. These cards will allow them access to services like health and education in Jordan.

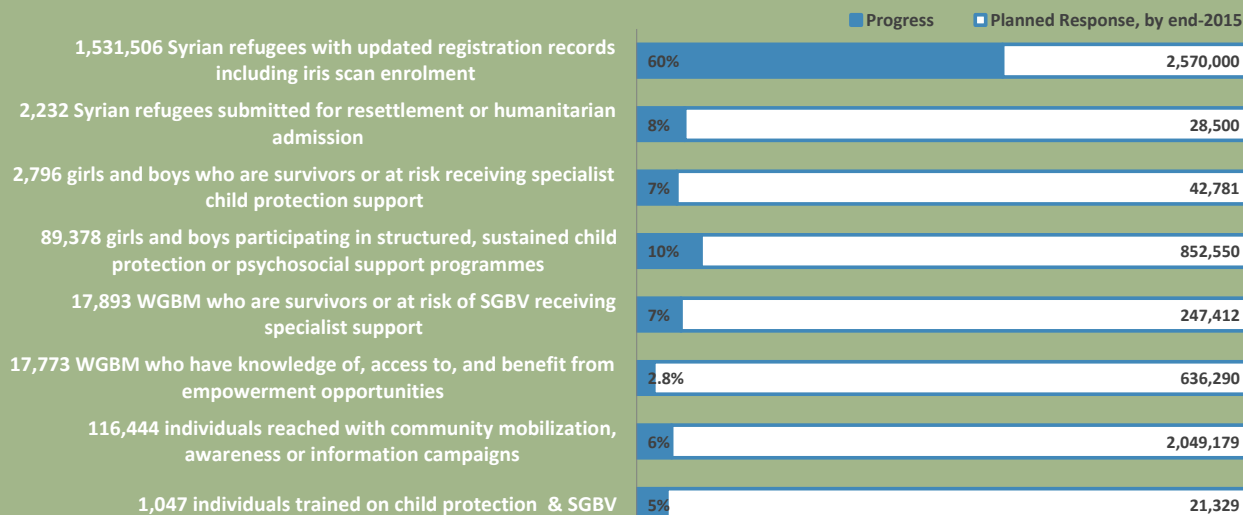
In Iraq, the residency department is increasing its capacity to respond to refugees' need for valid residency documents. In camps in Erbil, for example, 750 residency cards were renewed during February.

In Lebanon, the renewal of residency for Syrian refugees became more difficult due to additional requirements such as a housing pledge and the requirement for refugees registered with UNHCR to sign a pledge not to work. Syrians not registered as refugees by UNHCR need a Lebanese sponsor to sign a pledge of responsibility for them and their family.

More than 1.5 million Syrian refugees now have updated registration records, including with iris scan enrolment. This represents 60 per cent of Syrian refugees in Egypt, Iraq, Jordan and Lebanon, where the iris scan system is in place.

The use of iris scanning technology is a key innovation being rolled-out across the region to enhance registration and strengthen programme integrity and refugee protection.

REGIONAL RESPONSE INDICATORS: JANUARY - FEBRUARY 2015



These dashboards reflect the achievements of the more than 200 partners, including governments, UN Agencies, and NGOs, involved in the 3RP response in Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon and Turkey. Targets are based on full funding of the 3RP and an expected 4.27 million refugees by end-2015. All data on this Dashboard is current as at 28 February 2015.