

Syria Crisis Bi-Weekly Humanitarian Situation Report
Jordan, Lebanon, Iraq and Turkey
Date: 7 December 2012
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HIGHLIGHTS

- **JORDAN:** UNICEF/THW are progressing with the construction of 192 fully-winterized WASH units for the new camp areas (modules two and three), amounting to 672 latrines and 576 showers serving 33,600 beneficiaries
- **IRAQ:** UNICEF provided 28 solar boilers to Al-Qaim Camp 1 to provide warmth to children during the cold winter months.
- **LEBANON:** The Government of Lebanon has released its official response plan for the Syrian displacement crisis. The strategies of the Ministry of Social Affairs, Ministry of Education, and Ministry of Public Health contained in the response plan reflect the close collaboration between these ministries and UNICEF.
- **TURKEY:** According to Government officials, existing camps were designed for a maximum capacity of 126,500 persons, which has already been exceeded. Additional camps are therefore under construction.

OUTSIDE SYRIA

186,418

of children affected

FUNDING

US\$ 76.27 million

Total UNICEF Appeal

US\$ 34.14 million

Funded

42.13 million

Total Funding Gap

Gap per Country (in US\$ million)

18.06

Jordan

9.06

Lebanon

9.66

Iraq

6.09

Turkey

Note: UNICEF Situation Reports will continue to be issued on a bi-weekly basis. The update on performance indicators will take place on a monthly basis (every other sitrep).

Registered Refugee Population

(Estimates calculated based on initial figures from UNHCR Portal on 6 Dec 2012)

	Total	Male	Female
Total Affected Population	390,573	195,287	195,287
Children Affected (Under 18)	203,098	105,455	97,643
Children 0-4 Years	74,209	39,057	35,152
Children 5-11 Years	78,115	39,057	39,057
Children 12-17 Years	54,680	27,340	27,340
18 – 59 Years	171,852	82,020	89,832

* In addition 74, 216 Refugees are awaiting registration. UNHCR in NORTH AFRICA has also registered 11,740 Syrians

JORDAN

Highlights

- UNICEF/THW are progressing with the construction of 192 fully-winterized WASH units for the new camp areas (modules two and three), amounting to 672 latrines and 576 showers serving 33,600 beneficiaries. The first 16 (56 latrines and 48 showers) will be completed this weekend.
- UNICEF/Mercy Corps are finalizing the drilling of a second borehole in Za'atari camp this week, and are selecting a contractor for connecting the first borehole to a pumping station.
- The new Bahrain school complex in Za'atari camp was officially inaugurated on 25 November, and now counts over 3,450 registered students (56 per cent girls).
- According to the Ministry of Education (MoE), 18,245 Syrian children are registered to attend school in host communities, of which approximately 2,500 are on waiting lists.
- UNICEF/Save the Children International (SCI) are completing renovations in three public schools in Amman, which will bring the total number of schools renovated across Jordan to 50.
- UNICEF/the Children Jordan (SCJ) have referred 7,500 Syrian children across Jordan to appropriate education and child protection services, through the Help Desk project.
- 1,282 vulnerable Syrian and Jordanian children are currently enrolled in informal/non-formal education activities, in Amman, Ramtha, Mafraq and Irbid.
- UNICEF/SCJ have started a project to respond to the psychosocial and protection needs of Syrian and Jordanian children, caregivers, and community members in 5 host communities.
- To date, 8,432 children (six months to 15 years) have received vaccinations under the measles, polio and vitamin A campaign in Za'atari camp.
- In host communities, UNICEF/MoE have vaccinated 124,386 children under the age of five against measles, under the vaccination campaign which began on 27 November.

Situation overview and humanitarian needs

Registered Refugee Population (Estimates calculated based on initial figures from UNHCR Portal on 07 Dec 2012)			
	Total	Male	Female
Total Affected Population	98,548	51,245	47,303
Children Affected (Under 18)	51,245	26,608	24,637
Children Under Five	18,724	9,855	8,869
Children 6 to 23 months	6,898	3,449	3,449
Pregnant women	2,129	N/A	2,129

Some 98,046 Syrians are now registered with UNHCR in Jordan, and a further 40,843 are awaiting registration and thus receiving assistance. More than half of all Syrian refugees in Jordan are children under 18. Bailing out continues on an exceptional basis. The Government of Jordan estimates that over 240,000 Syrians are in the country. According to UNHCR, some 59,700 Syrian refugees have been transported to Za'atari refugee camp since 30 July 2012. UNICEF is working with UNHCR and partners to coordinate the immediate and planned winterisation response.

Programme response

WASH: UNICEF/THW are progressing with the construction of the 192 fully-winterised WASH units for the new camp areas (modules two and three). Every male unit has three latrines and two showers. Every female unit has four latrines and three showers. Thus, 192 WASH units amount to 672 latrines and 576 showers, which can serve some 33,600 beneficiaries. The first sixteen units (56 latrines and 48 showers) will be completed this weekend. 124 units will be completed by mid-December, and the remaining 52 will be operational by the end of the month. These new WASH units will include facilities for people with disabilities.

UNICEF/THW will be upgrading and winterising the existing 90 WASH units in Za'atari camp in the coming weeks. This will improve the ratio of latrines to beneficiaries by five additional latrines per unit, in line with Sphere Standards. UNICEF/THW currently provide 450 fixed showers and 450 latrines in the camp, in addition to 120 mobile latrines and 38 mobile showers.

UNICEF has also selected a contractor for the installation of gas heating in WASH units in Za'atari. Work is scheduled to begin in the next few days.

UNICEF/ACTED continue to employ 262 refugees for camp cleaning through a Cash-for-Work scheme in Za'atari, divided into 234 cleaners (including 35 women) and 28 supervisors (five women).

UNICEF/Mercy Corps are finalizing the drilling of a second borehole in Za'atari camp this week, as an additional source of drinking water for camp residents. The borehole will provide camp residents with up to 50,000 litres of water per hour. In total, the two boreholes will provide up to 100,000 litres of water per hour, which amounts to 40 litres per day for up to 60,000 people. This will allow the progressive phasing out of external water trucking. The first borehole will be connected to a new pumping station, which will be put in place by the end of the year. The tenders for this work have been released and the contractor will be selected by the end of next week.

UNICEF is also processing bids to select a contractor for the design and supervision of a drinking water supply system in Za'atari. A Waste Water Treatment Specialist sent by MSB is progressing on the design of suitable alternatives for waste water treatment in Za'atari.

Estimated #/% coverage	UNICEF & operational partners			Sector		
	UNICEF Target	Cumulative results (#)	% of Target Achieved	Sector Target	Cumulative results (#)	% of Target Achieved
Emergency affected population provided with access to drinking and domestic water	174,000	75,540*	43	250,000	75,540*	30
Emergency affected population provided with access to soap and other hygiene items	90,000	4,380	5	155,000	4,380	3
Emergency affected population with access to appropriately designed toilets and sanitation services	174,000	75,540*	43	250,000	75,540*	30
Population having access to hygiene promotion messages	182,000*	29,872	16	250,000**	29,872	12
Children access safe water, sanitation and hygiene facilities in their learning environment and in child friendly spaces	40,000	1,200	3	40,000	1,200	3
UNICEF Operational partners: ACTED, THW, Mercy Corps.						
Comments/Caveats *These figures reflect the number of people who have been accommodated in Za'atari camp and transit facilities since their opening, as UNICEF is the sole WASH provider. **Covered through person to person/group sessions. ***155,000 will be covered through person to person/group sessions and 95,000 through media coverage. ****Under verification, due to shift to new school complex. Note: UNICEF targets in the table above account for both current and anticipated needs, using RRP targets accounting for projected future influx of refugees						

Child Protection: UNICEF continues daily activities for Syrian children in Za'atari camp through 21 Child Friendly Spaces (CFS/AFS), including three reserved for youth. An average of 930 children attend sessions in CFS in Za'atari each day. This month, the focus has been on improving the quality of psychosocial activities delivered in CFSs. This includes a closer follow up from UNICEF child protection specialists, the delivery of psychosocial support/reference manuals in each CFS/AFS (Adolescent Friendly Spaces), and training on the development of community-based protection committees.

In host communities, UNICEF, in partnership with Save the Children Jordan (SCJ), has started the "Aman Project," to respond to the psychosocial and protection needs of Syrian and Jordanian children, caregivers, and community members in five communities (Mafraq, Ramtha, Irbid, Amman

and Maan). The project aims is to mobilise communities and Community-Based Organisations (CBOs) to better respond to the protection of children's needs, by providing technical knowledge and tools to vulnerable populations. To this end, a number of activities have been carried out, including a Training of Trainers (ToT) capacity building workshop on topics related to child protection and children's rights, entitled "Protecting children in Jordan through Capacity Building of COBs". This workshop was implemented from 17 to 21 November, and offered technical knowledge and skills to empower these organizations to act together and undertake advocacy initiatives. The workshop is part of a two-phase training package. The second phase will be implemented in the coming months.

The workshop put special focus on engaging marginalised and hard-to-reach communities in Amman and the north of the country. A total of sixteen staff from CBOs and ten NGO staff attended the training. The workshop was based on a user-friendly and contextualised version of the "Safe You and Safe Me" concept – a teaching-learning tool with a participatory approach, designed to empower children with skills and information needed to protect themselves from harm. Copies of the "Safe you and Safe me" booklets were shared with seven CBOs. Seven action plans were developed by the participating CBOs, and an additional seven plans will be developed in phase two of the training.

The work on the child protection and gender-based violence (CPGBV) assessment in host communities and camps is on-going. UNICEF, as the co-chair of the CPGBV working group, leads the process, together with working group members.

Estimated #/% coverage	UNICEF & operational partners		
	UNICEF Target	Cumulative results (#)	% of Target Achieved
Children with access psychosocial support services	34,969*	14,400	41
Separated and unaccompanied children identified and registered through inter-agency system	300	797**	265
Separated and unaccompanied children receiving family based or appropriate alternate care	300	57**	19
UNICEF Operational Partners: Noor al-Hussein Foundation; International Medical Corps; Zenid ; Terre des Hommes–Lausanne; Jordan Red Crescent; Mercy Corps; Save the Children International; Family Guidance and Awareness Centre.			
Comments/Caveats *Including 2,969 in host communities. An additional 8,906 are reached through other CP activities. **These figures were previously aggregated in one indicator and have separated to reflect the number of children registered versus the number of children receiving family-based or appropriate alternate care. ***Data not available. Note: UNICEF targets in the table above account for both current and anticipated needs, using RRP targets accounting for projected future influx of refugees			

Education: The new Bahrain school complex in Za'atari camp was officially inaugurated on 25 November by Sheikh Nasser Bin Hamad Al Khalifa, chairman of the Bahraini Royal Charity Organization Board of Trustees. The school is funded by the Bahraini government and managed by UNICEF, in partnership with the Ministry of Education (MoE) and the Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC). The school is staffed by approximately 200 Jordanian and Syrian teachers, and has the capacity to accommodate some 4,200 children in double-shifts.

UNICEF/MoE continue the registration of school-aged children in the camp. To date, over 3,450 students (56 per cent girls) are registered to attend school. In order to monitor and follow up on the health of school children, the MoE has decided to assign four nurses (two males and two females) to Za'atari school. In addition, UNICEF/Save the Children Jordan have established a help desk at the school, in order to recruit and refer school-aged children for registration with the MoE. Operating across Jordan, the help desk project also aims to provide awareness-raising among parents/caregivers, as well as follow up and referrals for child protection cases identified in school. In total, over 11,000 parents and children across Jordan have been reached through the project, of which 7,500 Syrian children have been referred to appropriate education and child protection services.

In host communities, MoE is reporting that 18,245 Syrian children have registered to attend school in 42 directorates, of which approximately 2,500 are on waiting lists due to capacity constraints. The governorates with the most children registered are: Amman (4,600), Mafrq (3,000), Ramtha (3,000), and Irbid (2,600). UNICEF and partners East Amman Charity Development, Yarmouk Baqa'a Club,

and Questscope continue to provide informal/non-formal education activities for vulnerable Syrians and Jordanians in four communities with a high concentration of Syrian refugees (Amman, Ramtha, Mafrq and Irbid). 1,282 Syrian and Jordanian children are currently enrolled in these activities, which focus on literacy and catch-up classes as well as life skills training, recreational activities, sports, arts and music.

In support of overcrowded public schools in host communities, UNICEF has delivered fifteen furnished prefabricated classrooms to five public schools in Ramtha, as part of UNICEF efforts to support the MoE and improve the learning environment in public schools with a high number of Syrian refugees. The new classrooms will benefit some 450 students. Furthermore, UNICEF and Save the Children International have carried out small-scale renovations in 47 public schools in Mafrq, Ramtha, Irbid, Karak, Ma'an, and Aqaba. Renovations in an additional three schools in Amman will be completed this week. These renovations aim not only to improve the learning environment but also to promote the psychosocial well-being and integration of refugee children in host communities. To further address the needs of vulnerable Syrian children and youth, UNICEF and the MoE have activated a core team of psychosocial trainers. From Tuesday to Thursday this week, UNICEF will be training this core team of 20 MoE counsellors, as well as staff from NRC and Save the Children Jordan, on psychosocial support for children dealing with profound stress and on alternative frameworks for managing children's behaviour. This six-day training aims to prepare participants to lead future psychosocial teacher training programmes.

Estimated #/% coverage	UNICEF & operational partners			Sector		
	UNICEF Target As per RRP	Cumulative results (#)	% of Target Achieved	Sector Target As per RRP	Cumulative results (#)	% of Target Achieved
School-aged children in affected areas in schools/learning programmes	40,000*	22,695**	57	42,000*	22,695***	54
Children with access to psychosocial support in education programmes	10,000	5,200****	52	14,500	5,200***	36
Children and adolescents benefitting from non-formal and informal educational services	6,000	1,282	21	15,100	1,282***	8
UNICEF Operational Partners: MoE/ Ministry of Planning & International Cooperation, Save the Children International, Save the Children Jordan, East Amman Charity, Yarmouq Baq'a Club and Questscope.						
Comments/Caveats						
*Target includes children enrolled in formal schools and pre-schools only (in both Za'atari camp and host communities).						
**This includes all Syrian children registered in formal schooling.						
*** This data may be incomplete as we are still working to establish figures from the working group						
****4,700 Syrians, 500 Jordanians						
Note: UNICEF targets in the table above account for both current and anticipated needs, using RRP targets accounting for projected future influx of refugees.						

Health: UNICEF continues to provide vaccines to new arrivals in Za'atari camp through the measles, polio and Vitamin A supplementation campaign. To date, 8,432 children between the ages of six months and fifteen years have received vaccinations under the campaign launched in September, out of which 2,050 children have been vaccinated since 18 November. The vaccination of children in host communities (Ramtha, Irbid and Mafrq) began on 27 November and will be concluded on 6 December. The campaign covers 110 fixed sites and counts 11 mobile teams. To date, over 124,386 children have been vaccinated against measles under the campaign, which will end 6 December.

Estimated #/% coverage	UNICEF & operational partners		
	UNICEF Target	Cumulative results (#)	% of Target Achieved
Children (boys and girls) vaccinated against measles	88,750	132,818	150
Children <2 yrs* (boys and girls) fully covered with routine Immunization antigens	50,000	43,829**	87
Children (boys and girls) 6-59 months receiving Vitamin A supplementation	50,000	132,818**	265

UNICEF Operational Partners: N/A
Comments/Caveats
*Covers children under 15 years of age in Za'atari camp and children under 5 in host communities.
**Undergoing verification.

Nutrition: UNICEF and WFP are analysing the data collected during the UNICEF-led nutrition assessment for Syrian children under five across Jordan. Data collection was completed on 24 October in host communities and on 13 November in Za'atari. Results will be disseminated by 15 December. UNICEF, in cooperation with Save the Children Jordan, is finalizing a Project Cooperation Agreement to support the implementation of an infant and young child feeding programme in Za'atari, to start in mid-December.

Communication for Development (C4D): UNICEF is producing awareness-raising materials for parents in Za'atari, on the importance of vaccination for all children under fifteen years of age.

Human Resources

	Number staff
Country Office staff (ft)	19 (3 International & 16 National)
Temporary staff (on mission from HQ/COs)	1
Surge (TAs and SSAs)	22
Standby partners	6
Under recruitment	12*
Standby partners: RedR Australia; Canadem; MSB	
Comments/Caveats : *This number includes 2 identified for SBP, 1 identified for mission, 3 candidates identified under TA, 3 candidates to be identified under TA, 1 as SBP and 2 to be identified under SSA (the total includes both international and local staff)	

Supply and Logistics

Following a physical count of all commodities in the Za'atari warehouse, the reconciliation of commodities and the consolidation of procurement contingency plans are in progress. The Priority 1 winterisation plan amounts to USD 2,010,984. The cost of the progressive distribution of supplies for the month of November amounted to USD 55,224.55. This covers supplies for education, health promotion, and WASH interventions, distributed through THW and ACTED.

To date, five winterised/PVC tents have been supplied and are currently being installed in Za'atari, King Abdullah (KAP), and Cyber City (CC). An additional 20 additional shelters will arrive on 20 of December, and a further 40 shelters on 27 December.

UNICEF/SCI/NRC will be distributing 3,000 winter clothing kits for infants under the age of one in Za'atari, KAP and CC next week. An additional 3,162 kits are under procurement, along with 9,000 clothing kits for children aged one to five. In addition, UNICEF is procuring 16,400 pairs of children's socks, 11,200 pairs of winter boots (for children aged one to five), and 10,000 heavy fleece blankets (expected arrival date: 10 December). 12,000 adult hygiene kits will be arriving in Jordan next week, to benefit an estimated 20,000 beneficiaries in camps. NRC will procure 10,000 hygiene supplements to complete these hygiene kits. UNICEF is also procuring 10,000 baby hygiene kits.

Total Value of Supplies in USD by Programme CCC							
Sector	Total Amount Committed	Total Amount PGMs	In pipeline*	Total Amount Received	In UNICEF Warehouse**	Delivered to Partners -- Cumulative	Delivered to Partners – Since Last Report
Nutrition			43,200				
Health	115,650						
WASH		15,652	181,698		200,000		
Child Protection			94,521		50,000		
Education	22,532	103,659			40,000	10,000	
Comments/Caveats: This Table is exclusive of the value of freight charges							
* In Pipeline defined as PGM raised, not yet in UNICEF Warehouse							
**Current inventory in Warehouse = previous including pre-positioned + new							

LEBANON

Highlights

- The Government of Lebanon has released its official response plan for the Syrian displacement crisis. The strategies of the Ministry of Social Affairs, Ministry of Education, and Ministry of Public Health contained in the response plan reflect the close collaboration between these ministries and UNICEF.
- With UNICEF support, 11,735 people have now access to drinking and domestic water. Meanwhile, communities in Akkar are for the first time receiving WASH assistance.
- The number of children accessing UNICEF-supported psychosocial support services has increased from 4,696 to 8,379 in the past month, which represents 45 per cent of the targeted population.
- UNICEF has supported the enrolment of 3,842 Syrian students with the provision of Back-to-School packages. The total number of schools receiving supplies to date has quadrupled over the past month, from 23 to 107. The total number of students receiving stationery kits has also increased dramatically, from 6,189 last month to 29,080 as of 5 December.

Situation Overview and Humanitarian Needs

Registered Refugee Population (Estimates calculated based on initial figures from UNHCR Portal on 06 Dec 2012)			
	Total	Male	Female
Total Affected Population	106,130	50,942	55,188
Children Affected (Under 18)	55,188	27,594	27,594
Children 0-4 Years	21,226	10,613	10,613
Children 5-11 Years	21,226	10,613	10,613
Children 12-17 Years	12,736	6,368	6,368
18 – 59 Years	46,697	21,226	25,471
60+ Years	4,245	2,123	2,123

* An additional 32, 876 Syrians have been in contact with UNHCR to be registered, bringing the total number of Syrians to 139, 006.

A total of 104,583 refugees are currently registered with UNHCR, of which just over fifty per cent are children. An additional 31,711 Syrians have been in contact with UNHCR to be registered. As always, however, the real number of refugees in the country is believed to be substantially higher, since many refugees choose not to register.

On 3 December, the Prime Minister presented the “Government of Lebanon Response Plan to the crisis of displaced Syrian and Lebanese families”. The document explains that displaced families are being hosted in communities that are structurally disadvantaged, underdeveloped, and suffering from extreme poverty. The arrival of displaced families has thus placed additional strain on these communities, requiring a response from the government. Importantly, the strategies of the Ministry of Social Affairs, Ministry of Education, and Ministry of Public Health contained in the response plan reflect the close collaboration between these ministries and UNICEF.

Tensions along the border with Syria continue to be high, particularly in Tripoli and Saida. 17 Lebanese were killed while crossing the border during the reporting period, illustrating the on-going volatility of the situation.

Programme response

WASH: UNICEF partner Action Contre la Faim (ACF) conducted an assessment in Bekaa during the reporting period. Water filters were distributed to 174 families in six communities, bringing the cumulative total to 502 to date. These families were also provided information on how to maintain the filters, as well as on good hygiene practices. In addition, 91 water tanks of 1,000 litres each were

distributed, which brings the cumulative number of water tanks distributed to 499. All told, on the basis of the activities implemented in the last two weeks, the number of individuals provided with access to drinking and domestic water has risen to 11,735, which represents 19 per cent of the overall target, up from 11 per cent four weeks ago.

UNICEF WASH and education teams are collaborating within the framework of the Back-to-School initiative to provide safe water, sanitation, and hygiene facilities in schools. During the reporting period, the WASH team has conducted visits to six schools in the north and Bekaa, assessing the situation and preparing an intervention tailored for each school.

UNICEF's new partners in Akkar, CISP and PU-AMI, will scale up the provision of WASH services in the region. This is the first time WASH support will be available in Akkar, thus filling an important gap.

Estimated #/% coverage	UNICEF & operational partners		
	UNICEF Target	Cumulative results (#)	%age of Target Achieved
Emergency affected population provided with access to drinking and domestic water	62,000	11,753*	19
UNICEF Current Operational Partners: ACF, CISP, PU-AMI			

Child Protection: As capacity of child protection partners increases and more services are established, further information is becoming available on child protection issues faced by refugee children. For instance, according to partners, there have been increasing reports of separated or unaccompanied children; ensuring family-based care or an appropriate alternative is reportedly becoming a challenge. UPEL, the national NGO responsible for advising juvenile courts on child protection matters, advises not to seek placement of separated or unaccompanied children in orphanages, due to poor standards of care and weak monitoring systems. Foster care is considered appropriate for children under the age of eight (especially girls), but ensuring close monitoring remains a challenge. Overall, there are insufficient placements for children needing temporary alternative care. For example, a 13 year-old girl was reportedly housed in prison recently, because this was considered to be the only safe accommodation. Options for organizing accommodation in boarding schools are being explored by some partners as a measure of last resort.

UNICEF and its partners have been working to scale up provision of psychosocial support through various models such as mobile child-friendly spaces (CFSs), community mobilisation, and home-based activities. Mobile CFS services have commenced in Bekaa, reaching over 1,350 children through a community festival, interactive workshops with children and their caregivers, and drama therapy through interactive theatre performances. In total, UNICEF is now partnering with seven agencies to provide psychosocial support in 32 locations through centre-based and mobile activities.

Further work was done with Save the Children and UNHCR to standardize case-management tools for the Child Protection Identification and Case Management Training (jointly funded by UNICEF), which will begin the week of 10 December in Qubayyat, Tripoli, and Bekaa, involving 60 professionals from INGOs, local NGOs, and UNHCR field staff.

The child protection working group is undertaking an interagency assessment with the assistance of the global Rapid Response Teams and ACAPS, an NGO consortium specialising in assessments. The interagency child protection assessment will address identified knowledge gaps in the child protection sector, and will also endeavour to assess the scale of the identified priority child protection issues, with the aim of supporting the development of target response. Training and data collection will begin in early January.

UNICEF is expanding partnerships to scale up in a number of areas, including psychosocial support and winterisation. Three new programme cooperation agreements are expected to be finalised by the end of the year. Winterisation plans with CFS partners will also be finalized this week, targeting also an estimated 2,000 Palestinian children displaced from Syria (in coordination with UNRWA).

Estimated #/% coverage	UNICEF & operational partners		
	UNICEF Target	Cumulative results (#)	% of Target Achieved
Children with access to psychosocial support services	18,500	8,379	45
UNICEF Operational Partners: Save the Children International, War Child Holland, Association Culturel du Hermel, Terre des Hommes – Italia, Amel Association, Mercy Corps, Arc En Ciel			

Education: The enrolment of Syrian students in public schools is on-going through UNICEF partner Caritas Lebanon Migrant Centre (CLMC). An additional 1,050 Syrian students were enrolled last week, bringing the total to 3,842 students to date (21 per cent of the target). These children have received the full Back-to-School Package, which includes school bags, school uniforms, educational materials and parent committee fees that all students need to contribute for the running costs of public schools.

Distribution to schools is also on-going; schools are receiving Schools-in-a-Box, recreational kits, and early childhood development kits (where kindergartens are available). The total number of schools receiving supplies to date has increased more than fourfold over the past month, from 23 to 107. The total number of students receiving stationery kits increased from 6,189 to 29,080 over the same period, out of a target of 37,000.

UNICEF education field monitors are collecting data on attendance rates of Syrian students, and on the utilisation of educational supplies distributed in schools; preliminary analysis of the collected data reveals the urgent need for monitoring of students in schools and for parent awareness interventions. Accordingly, on Monday, 2 December, the BALAMAND University, a UNICEF partner, will commence tracking progress and enrolment of newly enrolled children.

Estimated #/% coverage	UNICEF & operational partners		
	UNICEF Target	Cumulative results (#)	% of Target Achieved
School-aged children in affected areas in schools/learning programmes	18,300	3,842	21
Children with access to psychosocial support in education programmes	6,300	2,050	33
Children and adolescents benefitting from non-formal and informal educational services	6,300	2,050	33
UNICEF Operational Partners: Iqra' Association, Save the Children International, Amel Association, Caritas (CLMC), Balamand			

Health: UNICEF resumed its discussion with the Ministry of Health and the WHO for the implementation of enhanced vaccination activities last week, and a series of meetings are planned in Beirut and in the field to finalize the action plans. The willingness of the government and Ministry of Health to engage in vaccination activities is the result of UNICEF's advocacy efforts, and signals the close collaboration between the government and UNICEF. Within this framework, and in order to strengthen the current vaccination system, UNICEF provided the Ministry of Health with the following equipment: 30 big range cold boxes, 100 vaccine carriers, 150,000 syringes, 10,000 doses of DPT vaccines and 50,000 doses of Hepatitis B vaccines.

UNICEF health section joined the education team on a field trip in the north, visiting two schools and one orphan centre, for the purpose of assessing the situation following reports of skin diseases (scabies) and hair lice among students. UNICEF will act through its partners to enhance health education and hygiene promotion, as well to procure decontaminants and necessary medical treatments for the affected students.

Under the emergency winterisation programme, UNICEF has completed sales orders to procure essential life-saving drugs, basic medicines, and medical equipment. These emergency health supplies are to cover a population of 60,000 people, mainly children and women.

Nutrition: Findings from the recently-concluded nutrition survey indicate a 4.4 per cent Global Acute Malnutrition (GAM) (WHZ <-2 SD) rate in children under 59 months; a further 6.8 per cent of children

are 'at risk' of malnutrition (WHZ <-1 > -2 SD). Furthermore, 7 per cent of women are malnourished (as measured by MUAC less than 23.5 cm). On the basis of such findings UNICEF is working with the Ministry of Health (MoH) and other partners on the following priority areas and objectives:

1. Screening: Children and women of childbearing age (15 to 49 years) will be screened for malnutrition upon their first contact with health system in Lebanon, and referred to proper services;
2. Surveillance system: a nutrition surveillance system will be integrated into the existing health surveillance system in country, and an analysis of the data for Syrian refugees will be performed on an on-going basis;
3. Treatment of acute malnutrition: guidelines (Protocol of acute malnutrition treatment) and national plan of training will be developed with the MoH and other relevant partners.

Last week, UNICEF and International Orthodox Christian Charities conducted three workshops on appropriate infant and young child feeding (IYCF) in emergencies. The workshops, held in Beirut, Bekaa, and the north, aimed to: (a) sensitize organisations involved in the emergency response on the International Code on Marketing of Breast-milk Substitutes; (b) discourage the improper distribution of breast milk substitutes; and (c) protect, support, and promote breastfeeding. The workshop saw the endorsement of the Joint Statement on IYCF in Emergencies by the participating partners. This sensitisation will be followed up with other interventions to promote breast-feeding, which constitutes an area of concern as highlighted by the nutrition survey.

Supply and Logistics

Approximately 35,000 displaced Syrian children in the north and Bekaa region of Lebanon are under the age of 14. These areas are at high altitude, and temperatures drop precipitously between December and March. To protect children from exposure to winter conditions, UNICEF has developed a winterisation strategy focusing on distribution of supplies, non-food items (NFIs), medications, and heating.

Around USD 2 million have been allocated to winterisation, targeting around 33,000 Syrian children in the north and Bekaa region. Sales orders worth approximately USD 1.4 million have been raised over the past two weeks, covering NFIs (winter clothes kits, blankets, tarpaulin), medicines and WASH supplies (hygiene kits and baby kits).

UNICEF aims to reach 15,000 children with winter clothes kits (shoes, socks, trousers, jacket, cap, gloves, colant) and another 15,000 with vouchers for winter clothes. In addition, UNICEF will provide blankets and plastic sheeting, targeting around 28,000 children. The children who will benefit from the distribution are those not currently registered with UNHCR, those who participate in UNICEF-supported Child Friendly Spaces, and those covered under the outreach activities of Caritas. UNICEF has field monitors in place who will be engaged in the monitoring the distribution of the NFIs. UNICEF will also ensure that NGO partners put in place monitoring systems to avoid misused of vouchers.

Some NGOs partners have requested UNICEF support for the heating of Child Friends Spaces in the north and Bekaa. Funds will be provided to those partners through existing cooperation agreements to facilitate the purchase of heaters and fuel for the winter period.

Total Value of Supplies in USD by Programme CCC							
Sector	Total Amount Supply plan	Total Amount SOs	In pipeline*	Total Amount Received	In UNICEF Warehouse**	Delivered to Partners -- Cumulative	Delivered to Partners – Since Last Report
Nutrition	80,540.75						
Health	340,878.03		181,043.00		5,612.44		
WASH	2,121,794.25		754,938.00		241,887.38		
Child Protection	204,365.50						

Education	236,939.50				20,747.03		
NFI	2,073,600.00						
Cross-Sectoral							
Comments/Caveats: This Table is exclusive of the value of freight charges							
* In Pipeline defined as PGM raised, not yet in UNICEF Warehouse							
**Current inventory in Warehouse = previous including pre-positioned + new							

Human Resources:

Two new information management specialists have arrived. UNICEF Lebanon is currently working to strengthen its presence in the field by recruiting two emergency education officers – one for the north and one for Bekaa Valley – while also looking for an emergency coordinator and operations manager.

	Number staff
Country Office staff	19 (3 internationals and 16 nationals)
Temporary staff	14 (4 internationals and 10 nationals)
Surge	1
Standby partners	7
SSA (Special Service Agreement)	
Under recruitment	1 international WASH specialist, 2 national field coordinators and 3 national field monitors and one Admin.
Standby partners: NRC, Irish Aid, RedR, DRC	

IRAQ

Highlights

- 700 Syrian refugees from Al-Qaim have reportedly returned to Syria
- In Al-Qaim, children are reportedly not attending school due to a lack of clothes and uniforms
- UNICEF provided 28 solar boilers to Al-Qaim Camp 1 to provide warmth to children during the cold winter months
- A national measles campaign is targeting over 1,000 children under five in Al-Qaim
- Over 3,000 refugees received health and hygiene messages in Domiz Camp

Situation overview and humanitarian needs

Registered Refugee Population (Estimates calculated based on initial figures from UNHCR Portal on 06 Dec 2012 2012)			
	Total	Male	Female
Total Affected Population	62,148	*	*

*Total number also includes 11,791 who finished level 1 registration and are awaiting to be registered in UNHCR specific registration database

**Disaggregated data is not yet available.

As of 2 December, 62,148 Syrian refugees have been registered in Iraq: 53,112 in the Kurdistan region, with the remainder in Al-Qaim, Anbar Governorate. The border has been closed since 20 October, but reopened for a few specific cases of family reunification. Reports from the Al-Qaim border also indicate that around 700 refugees returned to Syria.

Programme response

WASH: Northern Iraq: During the reporting period, 3,225 persons (778 females, 850 males, 752 girls, and 845 boys) in Domiz camp were reached with hygiene messages, bringing the total to 16,063 reached overall (4,721 females, 4,248 males, 3,540 girls, and 3,779 boys). The tent-to-tent hygiene promotion campaign will continue until the end of December 2012. Messages continue to focus on preventing cholera and Hepatitis A, handwashing, cooking, food cleaning and preservation, bathing, vaccinations, and clean water, among other issues.

The construction of UNICEF-supported sanitation facilities in phase 5 of Domiz camp is 70 per cent complete; 134 soak pits are also nearly complete, while seven bathing spaces and seven toilets have been completed. The excavation for the water network in phase 4 of Domiz camp was finalized, bringing total implementation of the network to around 40 per cent.

Western Iraq: UNICEF provided 28 solar boilers to Camp 1 to provide warmth to children during the cold winter months. 42 Syrian refugees (50 per cent female) from Camp 1 and 2 received UNICEF-supported training as hygiene mobilisers to carry out daily hygiene promotion in the camp.

UNICEF is finalising a partnership agreement with implementing partner ISHO to construct water and sanitation facilities in Al-Qaim Camp 3, which will benefit 5,000 Syrian refugees.

Estimated #/% coverage	UNICEF & operational partners		
	UNICEF Target	Cumulative results (#)	% of Target Achieved
Emergency affected population provided with access to drinking and domestic water	25,870	8,230*	31
Emergency affected population provided with access to soap and other hygiene items	n/a	8,230*	n/a
Emergency affected population with access to appropriately designed toilets and sanitation services	20,000	8,230*	41
Population having access to hygiene promotion messages	33,000	16,288**	49
Children access safe water, sanitation and hygiene facilities in their learning environment and in child friendly spaces	12,870	1,500**	14
UNICEF Operational Partners: Islamic Relief Worldwide, Iraqi Salvation Humanitarian Organization (ISHO), KURDS			
Comments/Caveats			
*Al-Qaim only ** Domiz only			

Child Protection: Northern Iraq: To date, 9,893 children under eighteen years are registered in Domiz camp (4,347 female / 5,546 male), of which 172 are accessing the Child Friendly Space (CFS) on a daily basis. The UNICEF/ACTED CFS was handed over to the Directorate of Social Affairs and Development, who will now manage the CFS.

With partners, UNICEF continues to monitor the situation of vulnerable Syrian children, including referring child protection cases to specialized actors. With MSF and MHU, UNICEF reached more than 20 vulnerable Syrian children and family members with psychosocial activities, including case management and information sessions on parenting practices to empower Syrian parents with knowledge on basic health, nutrition, and protection issues.

Western Iraq: The CFS in Camp 1 is functioning on a daily basis, with around 45 new children registered during the reporting period (16 boys/ 29 girls). Daily attendance reaches up to 150 children. Three shifts operate with multiple recreation and psychosocial activities.

UNICEF partner Save the Children met with the camp community to raise awareness on the importance of the CFS to the well-being of children; care and protection manuals were also distributed to the families. Eighteen CFS volunteers have been trained on CFS guidelines and principles by Save the Children.

Estimated #/% coverage	UNICEF & operational partners		
	UNICEF Target	Cumulative results (#)	% of Target Achieved
Children with access to psychosocial support services	4,000	1,217	30
Separated and unaccompanied children registered in family tracing or receiving family-based or appropriate alternative care	100%***	29	100
UNICEF Operational Partners: General Directorate of Social Affairs and Development, Mine Action Group (MAG), IKMAA, ACTED and CPC			
Comments/Caveats : *** The goal is to reach all separated children			

Education: Northern Iraq: A UNICEF-supported enrolment drive has led to the registration of 1,675 new students in Qasmishlu basic school, which was initially designed for 1,200 students. It is expected that the construction of a third school unit by UNHCR will be completed by the end of this week, with some students at Qamishlu basic school likely to be moved to the new school to ease the overcrowding.

Western Iraq: School is regularly operating in Camp 1, with a steady attendance rate. Fifteen prefabricated classrooms with WASH facilities will be installed in Camp 2 in the coming weeks. Teachers were identified for the school in Camp 2 (Iraqi and Syrian) with UNICEF support. Teacher training on psychosocial teaching methods for teachers in Camp 2 will be conducted next week before the school opens.

Estimated #/% coverage	UNICEF & operational partners		
	UNICEF Target	Cumulative results (#)	% of Target Achieved
School-aged children in affected areas in schools/learning programmes	6,800	6,900	100
Children with access to psycho-social support in education programmes	6,800	1,954*	29
UNICEF Operational Partners: DoE Al-Qaim, DoE Al-Anbar, Al-Afkar Society for Relief and Development			
Comments/Caveats : *Al-Qaim only			

Health: Northern Iraq: More cases of upper respiratory tract infection and flu among refugee children are being reported.

UNICEF-supported health promotion on breast feeding and other proper feeding practices continued. A UNICEF-supported immunisation team is verifying the immunisation status of children under five and following up with those who are behind schedule on vaccinations. In the last two weeks, 195 children under five were immunised with BCG, DPT, OPV, ROTA and measles vaccines.

During the reporting period, 38 children under five had diarrhoea and received oral rehydration therapy. The ante natal care unit in the primary health care centre (PHC) continued to provide services to pregnant women and lactating mothers. Eight pregnant women attended the unit during the reporting period.

Western Iraq: UNICEF provided the Al-Qaim District with ten cold boxes and ten vaccine carriers. UNICEF also supported the visit of the EPI national program manager to Al-Qaim, who provided on-the-job training to the Al-Qaim EPI team. A total of 262 children have now benefitted from routine immunisation. The national measles campaign began on 2 December, and will target 1,044 children from six months to five years in Camps 1 and 2.

Two prefabricated caravans were installed in Camp 2 in order to establish a PHC. Eighteen health workers have been appointed from the Directorate of Health and will be trained by UNICEF to operate the PHC, which will be officially inaugurated next week.

Estimated #/% coverage	UNICEF & operational partners		
	UNICEF Target	Cumulative results (#)	% of Target Achieved
Children (boys and girls) vaccinated against measles	4,200*	1,642*	39
Children <2 yrs* (boys and girls) fully covered with routine Immunization antigens	1,600*	247*	15
Children (boys and girls) 6-59 months receiving Vitamin A supplementation	3,400*	0	0
Children and women equitably access essential health services with sustained coverage of preventive and curative interventions	12,400*	2,000*	16
UNICEF Operational Partners: DOH			
Comments/Caveats : * In Domiz all the above activities are covered by DOH Dohuk.			

Nutrition: Northern Iraq: During the reporting period, the growth monitoring unit screened 29 children under five, (fifteen male /fourteen female). The cumulative number of children screened is 316.

Western Iraq: UNICEF procured 36 tons of high protein biscuit to be provided to children under five and pregnant women in the camps.

Estimated #/% coverage	UNICEF & operational partners		
	UNICEF Target	Cumulative results (#)	% of Target Achieved
Children <5 receiving multi-micronutrient supplementation	4,200	14*	0.3
PLWs receiving micronutrient supplementation	1,600*	0	0
Women having access to IYCF Services	800*	0	0
UNICEF Operational Partners: MoH			
Comments/Caveats : *Al-Qaim only			

Inter-Agency Collaboration and Partnerships:

Northern Iraq: On 29 November, UNICEF reviewed Domiz camp's operations with other UN agencies and partners. On the same day, UNICEF led a WASH sub-working group meeting to review gaps in WASH services as well as to plan the services required for new camp phases 6, 7 and 8.

Western Iraq: On 3 December, the Protection Working Group discussed coordination between all actors, particularly in the Al-Qaim camps. In the meeting, a lack of clothes and uniforms was reported as a reason for children not attending schools. The return of Syrians to their home country was also raised.

Human Resources:

	Number staff
Country Office staff	48 (18 international & 30 National)
Temporary staff	6
Surge	0
Standby partners	0
Under recruitment	18
Standby partners:	

TURKEY

Highlights

- No new official numbers reported by the Government of Turkey since 21 November, but according to information from local authorities (Ministry of Foreign Affairs/ Disaster and Emergency Management Presidency - AFAD), the total number of Syrians accommodated in fourteen camps, in seven provinces, increased to 129,849 persons as of 29 November.
- According to Government officials, existing camps were designed for a maximum capacity of 126,500 persons, which has already been exceeded. Additional camps are therefore under construction. The Government of Turkey reported that the two container sites, Nizip-2 camp in Gaziantep province (5,000 capacity) and Harran-Kökenli in Şanlıurfa province (10,000 capacity) are expected to be completed by the end of 2012. Additional container sites are reportedly planned in Kilis-Elbeyli (up to 20,000), Osmaniye-Düziçi (1,500-2,000), and tented camps planned Adana and Malatya.

Situation Overview and Humanitarian Needs

Registered Refugee Population (Estimates calculated based on initial figures from UNHCR Portal on 06 Dec 2012)			
	Total	Male	Female
Total Affected Population	123,747	65,586	58,161
Children Affected (Under 18)	60,636	30,937	29,699

Following agreement from the Government of Turkey for UN agencies to undertake thematic missions in the camps, an inter-agency mission focusing on health is on-going this week. The outcome of the mission will be included in next week's sitrep.

Priority needs for children:

- Provision of winter clothes and shoes
- Provision of teaching materials and other education supplies in camps
- Support for adolescent volunteerism in play, physical education and sports activities to support the development and resilience of Syrian refugee children and youth in Turkey, including children with disabilities
- Provision of psycho-social care and effective referral mechanisms through safe recreation and education for children and youth affected by the Syrian crisis

Inter-Agency Collaboration and Partnerships

The UN Secretary-General will visit Turkey in the coming days, and will visit Syrian refugee camps. The UNICEF Representative will accompany the UN team, and will highlight UNICEF's plans to focus on education and programming for adolescents in camps.

Syria Regional Support Hub

Communication and Media: During the reporting period, the focus has been on giving visibility to the immunisation campaign in Syria. A press release is scheduled for 7 December, and other materials on the campaign produced by the Syria CO with RO support include a photo essay on Facebook and a field diary (under development). The regional office is working with the UK National Committee to provide strong materials to support fundraising over the Christmas period. A photographer has been commissioned to take photos highlighting the impact of winter at Za'atari camp.

Funding:

Funding Status		Child Protection	Education	Health & Nutrition	WASH	NFIs	Coord.& Comm	Safety, Security ITC	Operational Costs	*Being Allocated	Total
In millions of US Dollars											
Jordan	Required	5.48	16.38	1.71	16.42						40.00
	Funded	1.96	13.96	0.09	5.79					0.13	21.94
Lebanon	Required	3.61	8.82	0.43	4.28						17.14
	Funded	2.45	1.59	0.16	3.88					0.00	8.08
Iraq	Required	0.60	1.17	0.78	5.47				2.89		10.91
	Funded	0.00	0.32	0.00	0.86				0.07	0.00	1.25
Turkey	Required	3.21	3.21								6.42
	Funded	0.33	0.00								0.33
MENA RO	Required	0.30	0.30		0.30		0.70	0.20			1.80
	Funded									2.54	2.54
Total	Required	13.20	29.89	2.92	26.47	0.00	0.70	0.20	2.89		76.27
	Funded	4.74	15.87	0.25	10.53	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.07	2.67	34.14
	Gap	8.47	14.01	2.67	15.93	0.00	0.70	0.20	2.82		42.13

*Funding received immediately before release of the sitrep

Human Resources: Regional Human Resources have assisted Country Offices and the Regional Office in placing 51 staff in support of the Syria crisis.

REGIONAL SITUATION	Jordan	Lebanon	Turkey	Iraq
Country Office staff	19	19	N/A	48
Temporary staff	1	14	N/A	6
Surge (TA/SSA)	22	1	N/A	0
Standby partners	6	7	N/A	0
Under recruitment	12	1	N/A	18
Standby partners (across countries):	NRC, Irish Aid, RedR, DRC, Canadem, MSB, CARE			

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