

# Lebanon Map of Vulnerable Population Groups

LEVEL - 1 (Worst )

LEVEL - 2 (High)

LEVEL - 3 (Medium)

LEVEL - 4 (Low)

LEVEL - 5 (Lowest)

Lebanon being one of the countries affected by the Syrian Crisis is embarking on its 5th round of regional response planning. Although the refugee population has multitude of vulnerabilities that need immediate response for basic lifesaving interventions, the effects of the crisis is also spreading much deeper into the fragile social fabric of the Lebanese population. Pre-crisis Lebanon had almost 30 percent of its population living on less than 4 USD per person per day, counting for almost 1.2 million people if projected on today's population (c.a. 4.2 Million). The refugee population is mostly concentrated in the northern and eastern peripheries of the country, though latest UNHCR registration figures also show that the population is widely scattered over the entire country and in almost every municipality/village. For the purposes of having a much more focused approach in targeting the 5th response plan, a priority list of localities would be needed capturing the different vulnerabilities: the Lebanese population and the Syrian refugees. To operationalize this plan, different data sets were utilized to identify and map the different populations' distributions on the locality level.

### The data Sets

To be able to eventually map all the data on locality level, a base Shapefile was utilized as the point of aggregation for all the other variables.

1. The shapefile is available online on (<https://gistdata.its.usg.edu/node/27338>) which includes the 3rd admin level population distribution as well. The source of the shapefile is the CDR (Council for Development and reconstruction) (see full reference below).
2. The 28.55% of the Lebanese population is estimated to be living under 4USD/capita/day based on the UNDP study of 2008 where the data was collected in 2004. The poverty estimates from this study gives break down on "combined Caza" level (admin level 2), the same proportions are assumed at the locality level (UNDP, 2008).
3. The refugee population distribution is obtained from the UNHCR registration database, it is matched on the above locality Shapefile.

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