



All **10** planned schools are completed.

JUNE HIGHLIGHTS:

For refugees, one of the most important skills that must be acquired is the ability to communicate effectively in the language(s) spoken in the host country as this facilitates access to services and promotes social interaction. There has been a high level of interest in learning Turkish among the Syrians living in both camps and host communities. UNICEF, the Disaster & Emergency Management Presidency (AFAD) and the Presidency for Turks Abroad (YTB) have supported the delivery of certified language training courses for refugees in 20 camps. Completion of the TOMER Turkish language programme provides access to higher education programmes in Turkey. YTB reported that, nationally, 2088 Syrian students enrolled in language courses of whom 800 sat for the C1 proficiency examination required for university entry and 404 had passed.

A number of camps have introduced Turkish language programmes aimed at developing basic communication skills, which have proven extremely popular. The expansion of language programmes in urban areas remains a priority and language courses will be offered through community centres supported by UNHCR.

The construction of 10 UNICEF-supported prefabricated schools in both camps and urban areas has been completed and UNICEF will support the construction of an additional 40 to 50 prefabricated schools, as requested by the Government of Turkey. The UNICEF-constructed school in the Kilis Governorate was inaugurated on 4 June at a ceremony attended by UNICEF Goodwill Ambassador Tuba Buyukustun, UNICEF Representative Dr. Ayman Abulaban, Undersecretary of the Ministry of National Education and Training, Mr. Yusuf Buyuk, Coordinator Governor Mr. Veysel Dalmaz, Governor of Kilis Mr. Suleyman Tapsiz, US Ankara Embassy Chargé d'Affaires Jess Baily and other officials from the Kilis governorate. IOM continues to support access to schooling by providing transport to and from school for 778 children in the Sanliurfa area and plans to expand this service to other areas, funding permitting.



Syrian students attending class in Adiyaman refugee camp / UNHCR2014

The Government of Turkey takes the lead role for determining and implementing assistance provided to Syrian refugees, through the Prime Ministry Disaster and Emergency Management Presidency (AFAD). AFAD reports spending 3,5 billion USD on the Syrian Refugee Response in Turkey.

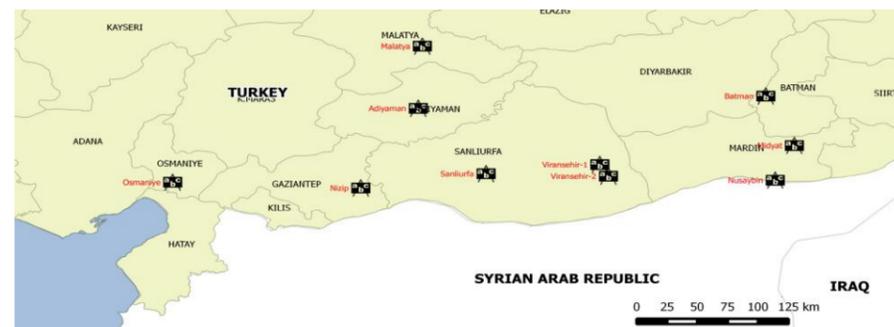
NEEDS ANALYSIS:

53% of the population are children (0-18 years) and of that 65% is expected to be of school-age (6-17 years), and 15% are pre-school age (3-5 years).

Key priorities in the education sector include:

- Cash support for the most vulnerable families in non-camp settings, to encourage school attendance and to discourage parents from sending their children to work.
- Opportunities for vocational training and extra-curricular activities to be expanded.
- Provision of learning materials to all students.
- Campaigns and targeted community-based activities to promote school enrolment, attendance, and retention, in camps and non-camp settings.
- Recreational activities to address and alleviate the impact of war, including Child Friendly Spaces.
- Work together with municipalities and governorates to provide adequate WASH facilities in all refurbished schools and pre-fabricated schools.
- Provision of school-feeding in schools in non-camp settings and setting up a system to provide cash support to the most vulnerable families.
- Provision of transportation for children from camps to schools and for children in host communities.
- Provision of periodic, relevant and structured training for teachers and teaching personnel.
- Support NGOs to expand Child Friendly Spaces in municipalities hosting Syrian refugees.

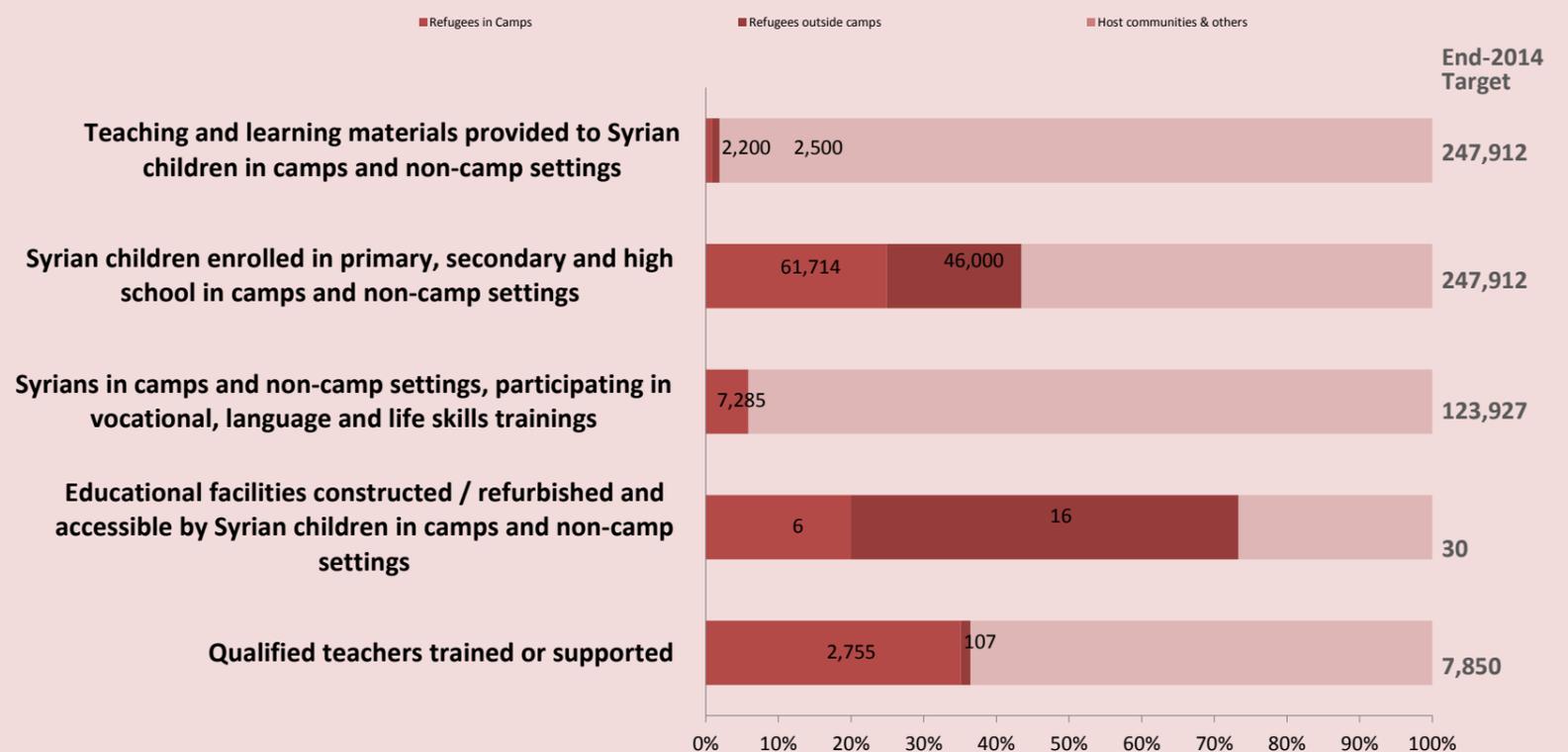
Schools constructed in line with the protocol between UNICEF and AFAD



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Participating Agencies: UNICEF, UNHCR, IOM

PROGRESS AGAINST TARGETS:



Targets based on expected population of 1,000,000 Syrian refugees in Turkey by end-2014. There are currently 795,442 registered refugees in Turkey.