

IRAQ: RRP6 MONTHLY UPDATE - AUGUST 2014

FOOD SECURITY



100% Syrian refugees in camp settings are currently receiving food assistance.

AUGUST HIGHLIGHTS:

- 32,703 persons received in-kind food in seven camps including Akre, Arbat, Basirma, Darashakran, Gawilan, Kawergosk and Qushtapa camps.

- 66,344 beneficiaries were targeted in August with food vouchers in Domiz camp. Since the start of the voucher programme, over US\$37 million has been injected into the local economy.

- After two months without access, due to security operations in Anbar Province, WFP's cooperating partner Islamic Relief Worldwide delivered **1,200 food parcels for the Syrian refugees in Al Obaidi camp**. WFP plans to dispatch more parcels to the camp to cover the September requirements.

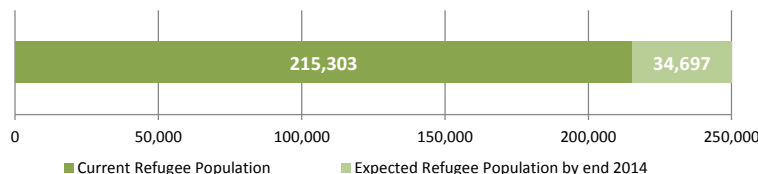
- Over 300 families who fled Gawilan camp in early August on fear of a possible attack by IS forces, sought refuge in Domiz camp. The families were provided daily hot meals by other food security actors. WFP in consultation with the DMC and UNHCR had prepared to include these families in its voucher programme. However, prior to their inclusion, the families were moved back to Gawilan camp as the situation was deemed safe enough. WFP's partner, INTERSOS provided the returning families with individual food parcels on 31 August.

- WFP signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) respectively with Erbil Governorate and the Duhok Modification Centre (DMC) for the implementation of a food voucher programme for Syrian refugees in different camps in the two Governorates. The MOU with Sulaymaniyah is to follow.

- An Expression of Interest (EOI) has been sent out to prospective retailers in Basirma and Qushtapa. Interested retailers will be subsequently invited to bid to operate voucher redemption shops for the Syrian refugees in these two camps in Erbil.



SYRIAN REFUGEE POPULATION IN IRAQ:



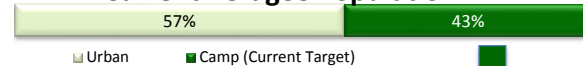
NEEDS ANALYSIS:

As per the request of the Government, humanitarian assistance focuses on those living in camps. Based on WFP monitoring reports and Multi-Sector Needs Assessments, refugees in the camps are dependent on food assistance.

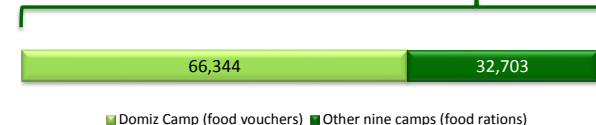
UNHCR's contingency plan for Iraq points out that host communities' capacities and structures to absorb refugees will reach its limits relatively quickly. Many have arrived with limited means to cover basic needs and are now increasingly in need of assistance.

As the Syrian refugees needs continue ranging from protection, social services, food assistance remains evident. Hence, there is a critical need to provide food assistance to save lives for Extremely Vulnerable Individuals (EVI) in the camps and non-camp settings.

Current Refugee Population



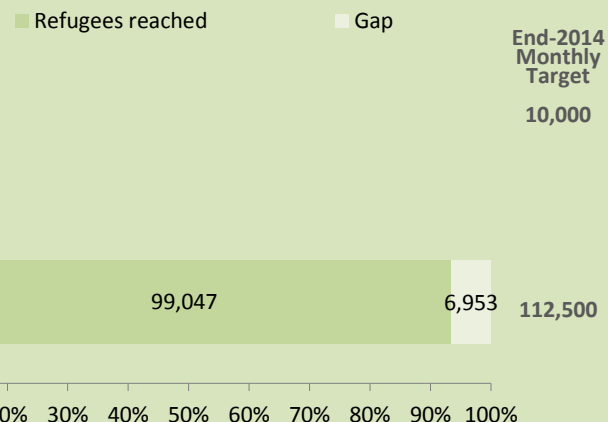
Modalities of Food Assistance



MONTHLY PROGRESS AGAINST TARGETS:

There are no students currently receiving high-energy biscuits in all primary camp schools in the Kurdistan Region of Iraq (12 schools in 6 camps) due to the summer holidays

99,047 individuals in camps currently receiving in-kind, cash or voucher assistance to meet food needs



Targets based on expected population of 250,000 Syrian refugees in Iraq by the end of 2014. There are currently 215,303 refugees in Iraq. As per Government policy, food assistance is provided to in-camp refugees only. All Syrian refugees registered in camps are currently provided food assistance.