

## **UNHCR Monthly Cash Assistance Dashboard**

November 2017

Syrian and Iraqi Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) and refugees provided with multipurpose cash assistance (1 January to 30 November 2017)

707,566 Individuals 524,082 Syrians 183,484 Iragis

Average of 144,564 families provided with cash assistance per month

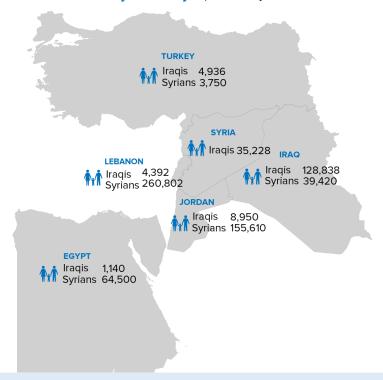
Cash disbursed (1 January to 30 November 2017)

USD 160.7 million

USD 130.3 million for Syrians

USD 30.4 million for Iraqis

Syrian and Iraqi IDPs and refugees provided with multi-purpose cash assistance by country\* (1 January to 30 November 2017)



## **November Highlight**

UNICEF and UNHCR in Jordan launched this month the results of a joint research study "A Promise of Tomorrow: The Effects of UNHCR and UNICEF Cash Assistance on Syrian Refugees in Jordan", conducted by the Overseas Development Institute (ODI). The study uses a mixed method approach involving a literature review and quantitative data collection through a survey of 2,114 randomly selected households across four governorates in Jordan.

The report notes that the majority of refugees are living below the national poverty line, with costs rising over time, and household expenditures exceeding income. It highlights that cash assistance is improving access to housing, helping families avoid harmful coping mechanisms, supporting greater spending on children's schooling and improved academic performance, increasing spending on child health and is helping to improve intra-household relationships due to reduced stress. The research contributes to an increased understanding of the long-term impact of cash-based interventions on individuals, families, children and the host community in the humanitarian context.

UNHCR is grateful to the donors who have contributed to the cash assistance programme for the Syrian and Iraqi IDPs and refugees with un-earmarked and broadly earmarked funds as well as those who have contributed directly to country operations.

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<sup>\*</sup> The figures only cover regular multi-purpose cash assistance and does not cover cash assistance provided under the winter programme.