

IRAQ MONTHLY UPDATE - MAY 2016

FOOD





Unrestricted

Cash

866

52,407 Syrian refugees received food assistance.

Modalities of food distribution:

- Food vouchers: in 8 camps (Domiz 1&2, Arbat, Basirma, Darashakran, Gawilan, Kawergosk and Qushtapa).
- Unrestricted cash: pilot distribution at Akre Castle camp.
- Food Parcels: Ad hoc distributions in all 9 camps.

MAY HIGHLIGHTS:

A total of 52,407 Syrian refugees received assistance from WFP in May. This included 5,475 refugees supported with in-kind assistance, as well as 46,066 who had their e-vouchers topped up. Of the latter, 23,452 were female, including 4,457 girls under five years old.

In May, the voucher rates for Syrian refugees in Iraq were restored to USD 28 for the extremely food insecure and USD 19 for the moderately food insecure. This is due to the generous USD 623 million donation from Germany for Syrian refugees around the region.

Ad hoc in-kind distributions took place in all of the nine refugee camps in Kurdistan Region - Iraq. This was a response to new arrivals in the camps, and the need to fill gaps while registering beneficiaries in the SCOPE system. The ad hoc in-kind distributions are a temporary mitigation measure to cover gaps in voucher assistance and will last for up to three months.

The post-distribution monitoring report covering the first quarter of 2016 was published in May. The survey found that female-headed households seem to be disproportionately affected by decreasing levels of food security. In general, dietary diversity remained high, indicating that refugee households are eating from various food groups even as food consumption may be decreasing.

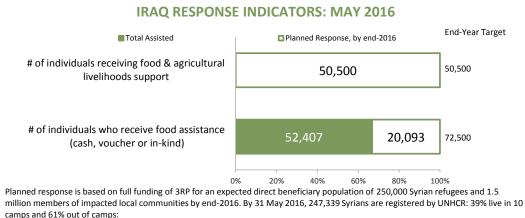
NEEDS ANALYSIS:

WFP is currently assessing the food security of 49 families in the southern governorate of Basra. The Vulnerability, Assessment, and Mapping (VAM) team has sent guestionnaires to the families. Once the results of the assessment are available, eligible families will receive food assistance.

The Syrian refugee operation in Iraq has a six-month net funding requirement of USD 1.6 million from June until November 2016. This is the amount WFP needs to continue assisting Syrian refugees in Iraq for the next six months.

Number of refugees per modality of distribution **Food Parcels** 5,475 10%





About 97%=238,844 Syrians live in Kurdistan Region-Iraq (KRI): in Erbil (115,289), Duhok (92,831) and Sulaymaniyah (30,724) and about

Food Parcel Items and amount: Burgul: 3 KG Pasta: 4 KG Rica: 4 KG Oil: 0.91 KG Suger: 1.5 KG Salt: 0.25 KG Lentils: 0.83 KG Tomato Paste: 1.8 KG Total weight: 16.29 KG

46.066

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