

KEY POINTS

- With the intensification of military offensive in rebel-held Eastern Aleppo in 24 November, more civilians were either displaced or remain trapped in besieged areas. Where access is permitted, some NFI Sector partners such as DRC, IOM, Oxfam, Syrian Arab Red Crescent (SARC), UNICEF, and UNHCR were quick to respond. Around 6,763 families (33,815 persons) were assisted out of the estimated 40,000 persons displaced from Eastern Aleppo in November. Limited access to displaced population due to restricted movement and irregular if not lack of physical access granted to humanitarian agencies has hampered the delivery of adequate and immediate response to all population in need. Mortar shelling around UN hub suspended its planned humanitarian activities in Aleppo.
- The sector participated in an inter-agency convoy in November in Ar Rastan community in Homs governorate. Around 1,500 families (estimated 7,500 persons) received 13,000 core relief items composed of blanket, mattress, kitchen set, jerry cans, and solar lamps. SARC led the distribution.
- With the completion of NFI partner's project submission as part of the Humanitarian Response Plan for 2017, government consultation commenced in November. NFI sector coordination team discussed with various government ministries the fundamentals of NFI sector plans. For 2017, the sector aims to address the needs for basic essential items of around 5.8 million population in need in Syria by being more flexible in its response highlighting the aim to provide targeted assistance.
- The Humanitarian Needs Overview for 2017 has been officially published. According to this report, around 5.8 million population in need of basic non-food items of which 4.2 million have acute needs. The increase in number from 2016 which is 5.3 million is attributed to worsening poverty situation due to unending hostilities and violence in the country. Aleppo has the highest severity ranking in terms of NFI access among the 14 governorates in Syria. The report further states that along with the challenge to provide emergency to alleviate the suffering of the population in need is the capacity of humanitarian actors to ensure resilience of the Syrian people and provide long-term interventions that helps promote community cohesion and self-respect.

KEY DIGITS



5.3 million people in need of NFI

Estimate number of people in Syria in need of basic non-food items (39% of the estimated 13.5 million people in need of humanitarian support in 2016)



3.4 million people received at least 1 item

Estimate number of people who received at least one NFI item from January to November 2016 (*64% of the total 5.3 million people in need of NFI*).



1.6 million

people received more than 4 items

Estimate people who were considered adequately served for receiving more than 4 NFI items from January to November 2016 (30% of the total 5.3 million people in need of NFI).



158

reached sub-districts

Total number of sub-districts reached from January to November 2016 (58% of the total 272 sub-districts in Syria)



8.8 million

Total number of NEL items distr

Total number of NFI items distributed from January to November 2016

3.2 million

NEL stocks propositioned

Estimate number of NFI items
prepositioned as of November 2016.

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GAPS AND CHALLENGES

- Widespread insecurity, challenging physical access and rigorous bureaucratic procedures and approval limit provision of adequate and regular humanitarian assistance especially to those who live in besieged and hard-to-reach areas;
- Absence of age and gender disaggregated information of population in need unable the sector to accommodate and target specific needs;
- Logistical constraints especially during inter-agency convoy such as, road blockage, presence of checkpoints, and presence of threats continue to hamper rapid distribution;
- Lack of actual data on distribution recipients prevent the sector to better measure the actual reached and served beneficiaries;
- Limited and irregular monitoring of distribution due to insecurity and sensitivities compromise the ability of the sector to assess the impact of its assistance and better inform future planning;
- Absence of clear and effective feedback mechanism from population in need due to information gathering sensitivities unable the sector to better determine the efficacy of its effort;
- Lack of income generating activities to provide the necessary financial means continues to hamper access to basic household items among the most vulnerable population in need;
- Diminishing active participation among sector members affects coordination and the overall sectorial reach;
- Inexact coordination structure impacts the level of efficiency in coordinating sectorial response for interagency convoys.
- Lack of reliable consolidated information for interagency convoy reach affects the sector's ability to determine the extent and impact of its convoy contribution

CRISIS BACKGROUND: The crisis in Syrian Arab Republic that started in March 2011 has transformed into a multi-sided armed conflict that displaced around 6.2 million people and forced around 5 million people out of the country to seek asylum. As per the Humanitarian Needs Overview in 2017 (to be published), around 13.5 million people are in need of humanitarian support of which around 5.8 million people are desperate to receive essential household items and other multi-sectorial assistance as they continue to struggle in insecure areas. The degree of resilience and positive coping mechanism of the affected population have reduced due to the protracted nature of the conflict. Purchasing power and the ability to provide for their basic household needs have decreased due to economic recession that left thousands of Syrian people unemployed and the prospect of accessing essential household items has also declined due to closure of essential service providers.



PARTNER IN FOCUS



Who are we?

DERD was established in 1994, launching a number of relief and development programs, carried out by a team of volunteers who are scattered all over Syria.

Our Goals:

We seek to offer help to those who are in the utmost need, ensuring that all the efforts are made to provide a fair service to all, in an attempt to spread the spirit of humanity, justice, tranquility and peace within these communities where we operate.

We build cooperation bridges with various civil society groups in order to reach a wider segment of those in need and those who are affected.

We develop partnerships with local, regional and international organizations, which share our visions and goals, heading together towards achieving the highest degree of professionalism and methods in designing and executing the activities of the diverse Programs that we implement.

GOPA-DERD role during the crisis:

DERD's activities expanded as a result of the immigration of the Iraqis to Syria after having to suffer forced displacement.

DERD worked hard to offer them care through a comprehensive Program, supporting them in several aspects including: education, vocational training, psychosocial support, health awareness activities and many more.

Since the beginning of the Syrian crisis, DERD rushed to launch its programs and recruit its team members' efforts to meet the needs of the affected and displaced people. These programs aim to provide services to all family members taking into consideration the importance of covering all their needs as much as possible.

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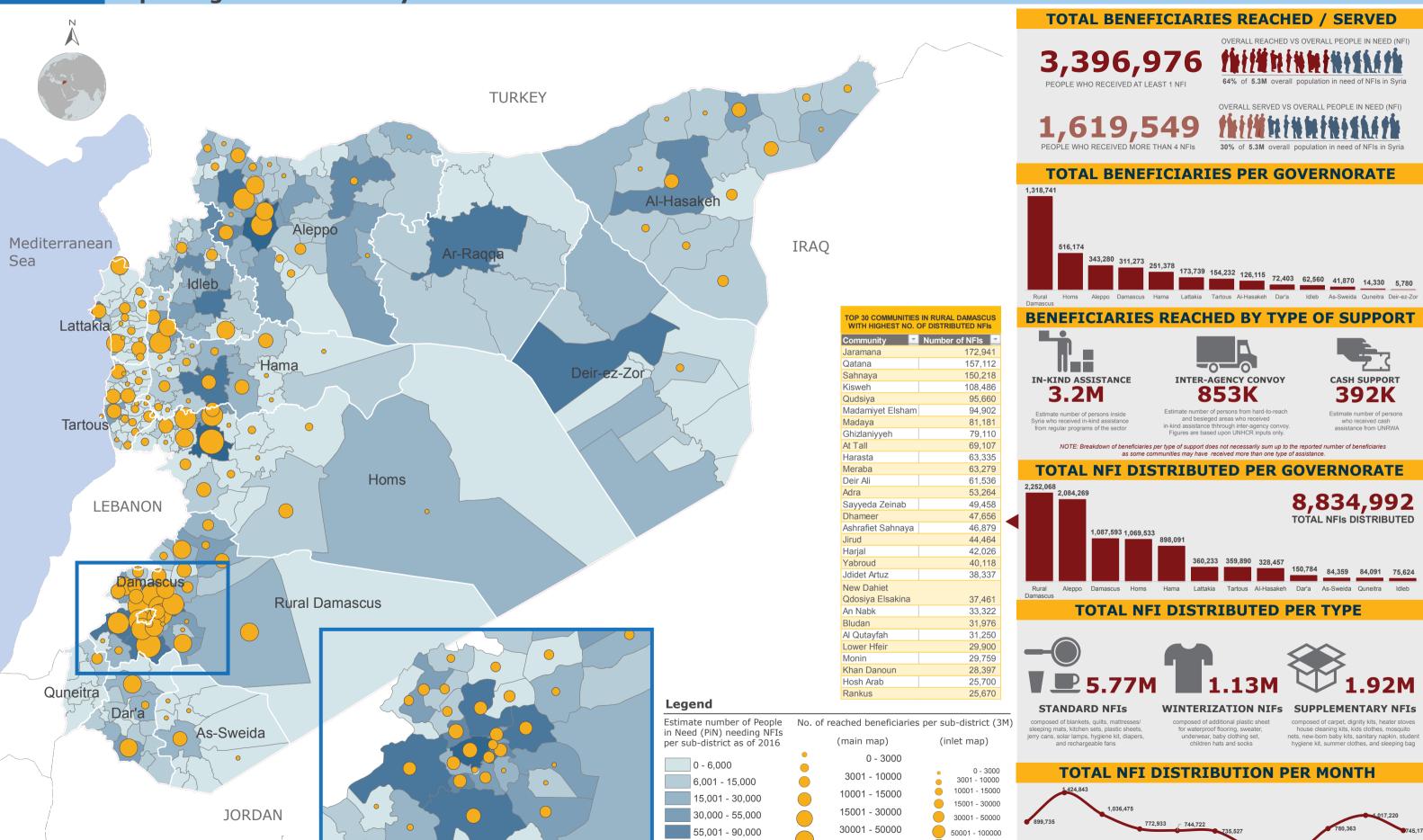
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SYRIA: NFI RESPONSE



Reporting Period: January - November 2016



90,001 - 175,000

175,001 - 280,00



180

240

Kilometers

120

30

60

50001 - 100000

100001 - 312000

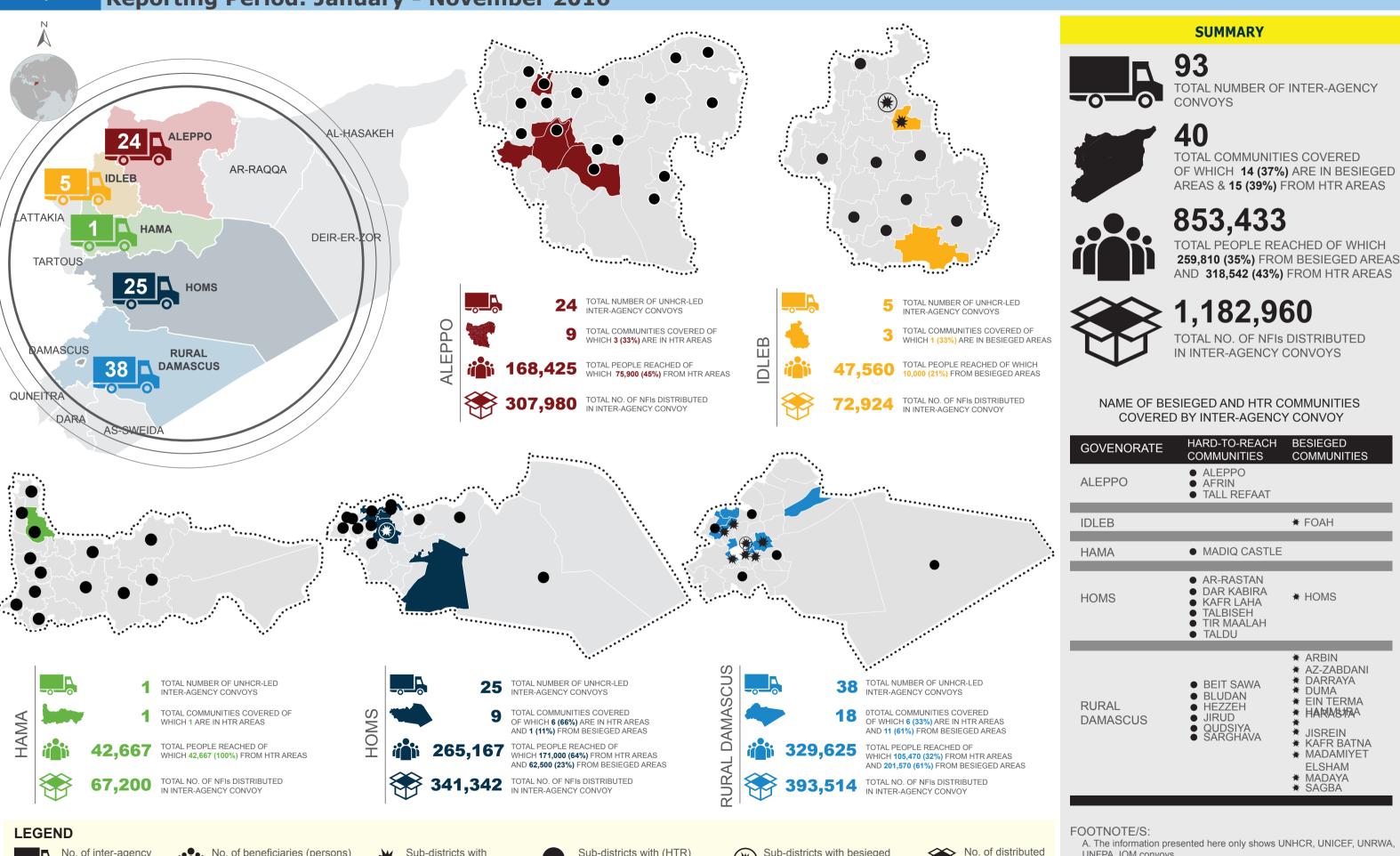
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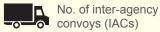


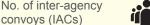
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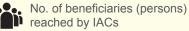


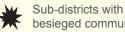
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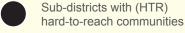






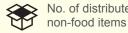








Sub-districts with besieged and HTR communities



UNFPA, IOM convoys.

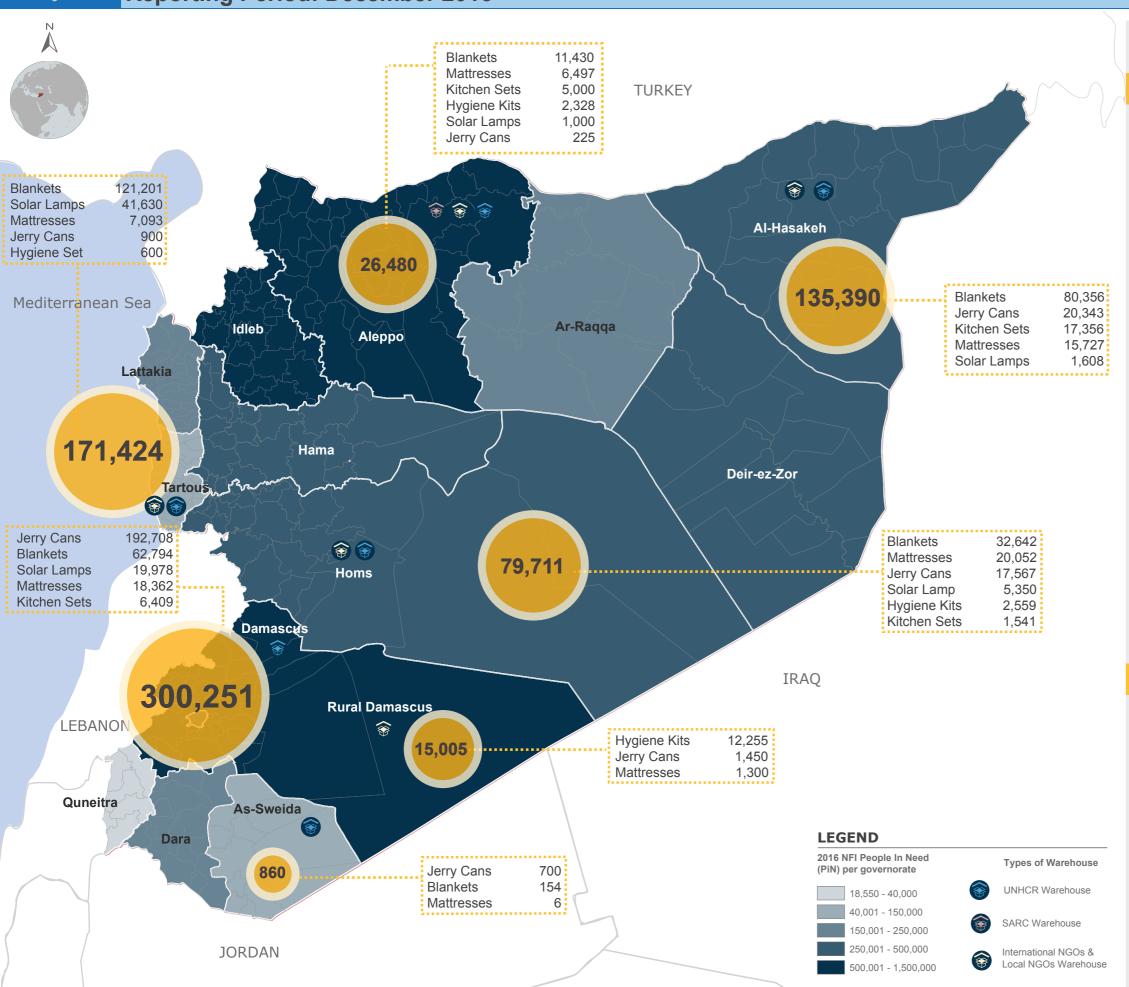
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SYRIA: NFI STOCKPILE



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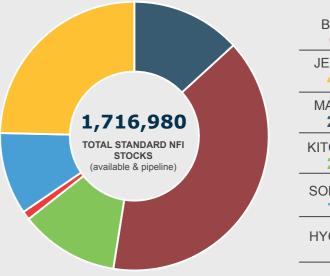


3,296,261

TOTAL STANDARD AND SUPPLEMENTARY NFI STOCKS FOR DECEMBER

STANDARD NON-FOOD ITEMS

BREAKDOWN OF STANDARD NFI STOCKS PER TYPE



BLANKETS 675,057

JERRY CANS 422,918

MATTRESSES 226.569

KITCHEN SETS 204,448

SOLAR LAMPS 170,246

HYGIENE KITS 17,742

BREAKDOWN OF STANDARD NFI STOCKS PER STATUS



729,121

987,859

Available

Pipeline

BREAKDOWN OF STANDARD NFI STOCKS PER AGENCY



1,686,690

9,000

DRC

IOM

UNHCR

SUPPLEMENTARY NON-FOOD ITEMS

1,579,281 TOTAL SUPPLEMENTARY NFI (available and pipeline)

BREAKDOWN OF SUPPLEMENTARY NFI STOCKS PER STATUS



672,502

906,779

Available

Pipeline

BREAKDOWN OF SUPPLEMENTARY NFI STOCKS PER AGENCY



26,166

1,553,115

IOM **UNHCR**