

**EASTERN ALEPPO:** Restoration of a normal state of living confronts returnees in Al-Sakhur neighborhood.

As more neighborhoods in eastern Aleppo have become accessible, more displaced families have also started to return to their habitual residences however, the challenge continues. Lack of access to basic services and destruction of infrastructures confront them as they go home. This woman and his son are among the returnees that sector partners aim to assist not just with an emergency but sustainable solutions to address their needs.



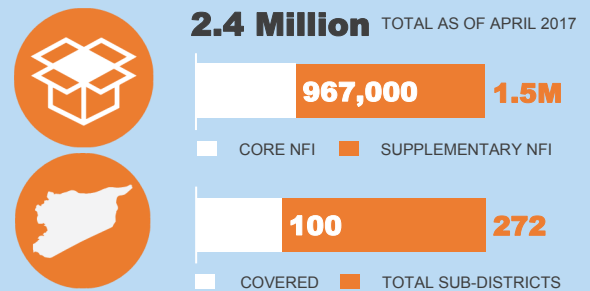
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## KEY POINTS

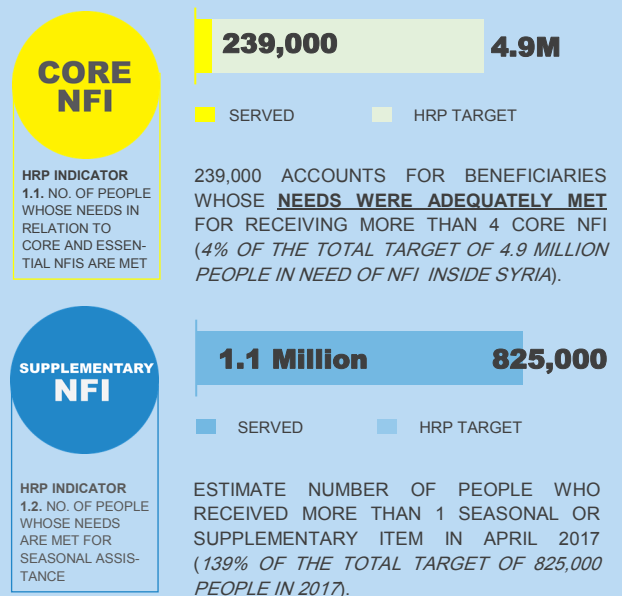
- In April, displacement of civilians into Menbij sub-district in Aleppo governorate continues as insecurity remains in Ar Raqqa governorate. It is estimated that the ongoing conflict in Ar Raqqa governorate since November 2016 has already displaced more than 50,000 people according to the CCCM Sector. Access remains limited, hampering monitoring and regular delivery of humanitarian support to the affected population. In April, Al-Birr Association in cooperation with UNICEF and UNHCR provided core NFI items and winterization support to at least 12,000 displaced people. Meanwhile, some sector partners participated in the needs assessment in Mabrouka Camp in Al Hassakeh governorate, also one of the sites hosting displaced populations from Ar Raqqa. It was found out that with the increasing trend of IDP arrival and the slow process of security screening, it is likely that the number of displaced people to be hosted in the camp will exceed the anticipated capacity of 5,000 people. UNHCR is completing the communal kitchen and planning to distribute 5,000 NFI kits to Mabrouka and Ain Issa camps.
- Sector partners participated in inter-agency convoys to hard-to-reach communities. On 8th of April, DRC through SARC was able to serve three communities in Babella sub-district of Rural Damascus governorate. At least 35,000 people from Yalda, Babella, and Beit Sahm communities received 7,000 hygiene kits. The need to address the NFI needs of both the displaced and host communities remain unmet. Other priority non-food items identified include clothing, kitchen set, and plastic sheet. On 13th and 20th of April, UNHCR also participated in an inter-agency convoy to hard-to-reach communities in Homs governorate namely Kafr Laha, Harbanifse, and Taldu. Around 45,000 people benefitted from core NFI that include plastic sheets and solar lanterns.
- The sector IM team developed an Interactive Dashboard that will provide partners with a detailed view of their respective humanitarian responses at the community level. In this way, partners are given more flexibility in accessing their data and improve their response plans.

## NUMBERS IN BRIEF

### TOTAL NFI DISTRIBUTED



### BENEFICIARIES ADEQUATELY SERVED



### OVERALL REACHED BENEFICIARIES



## 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;
- Insufficient number of detailed and comprehensive assessment makes it difficult for the sector to shift its response priorities from distribution of basic essential NFI items to provision of supplementary items.
- Decreasing number of local NGOs authorized to partner with UN agencies particularly in severely affected areas limit the extent of humanitarian response (i.e. Ar Raqqa).

**CRISIS BACKGROUND:** *The crisis in the Syrian Arab Republic that started in March 2011 has transformed into a complex emergency that led to 6.3 million IDPs and 4.8 million Syrian refugees. The 2017 Humanitarian Needs Overview reported that around 13.5 million people are in need of humanitarian assistance of which around 5.8 million people need to receive essential household items and other multi-sectorial assistance as they continue to live in an unsafe and uncertain environment. The degree of resilience and positive coping mechanism of the affected population have gradually 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 many people unemployed and the prospect of accessing essential household items has also declined due to closure of essential service providers.*



## PARTNER IN FOCUS



### MONASTERY OF SAINT JAMES THE MUTILATED

The Monastery of Saint James the Mutilated (MSJM) is a 6th-century Greek Melkite Catholic Monastery in Qara, Syria. It is located 97 km north of Damascus and 15 km east of Nebek. As witnesses of crisis in Syria, they have committed themselves to assist the most vulnerable communities to rebuild their lives. As of April 2017, they are operating in nine governorates namely Aleppo, Damascus, Daraa, Hassakeh, Homs, Idlib, Latakia, Qamishli, and Tartous. They have 200 staff and more than 1,000 volunteers who are working together to fulfill their mission. MSJM's office is located in Damascus.

MSJM has been providing humanitarian support through private donations even before it became a partner of the NFI sector this year. Their NFI assistance includes distribution of core NFIs like hygiene kits, kitchen kits, mattresses, reinforced sleeping bags, and sheets as well as supplementary NFIs such as baby-born kits, clothes, crutches, dignity kits, first aid kits, and wheelchairs. They are working in close partnership and collaboration with OCHA, UNHCR, UNFPA, UNICEF, IOM, SOS Villages Syria, Preemptive Love Coalition, Partners for Relief and Development, DORCAS International, Entr'aide International des Scouts de Cluses, CORDAID Internationalis and Caritas Toledo. To date, they have served at least 450,000 people all over Syria.

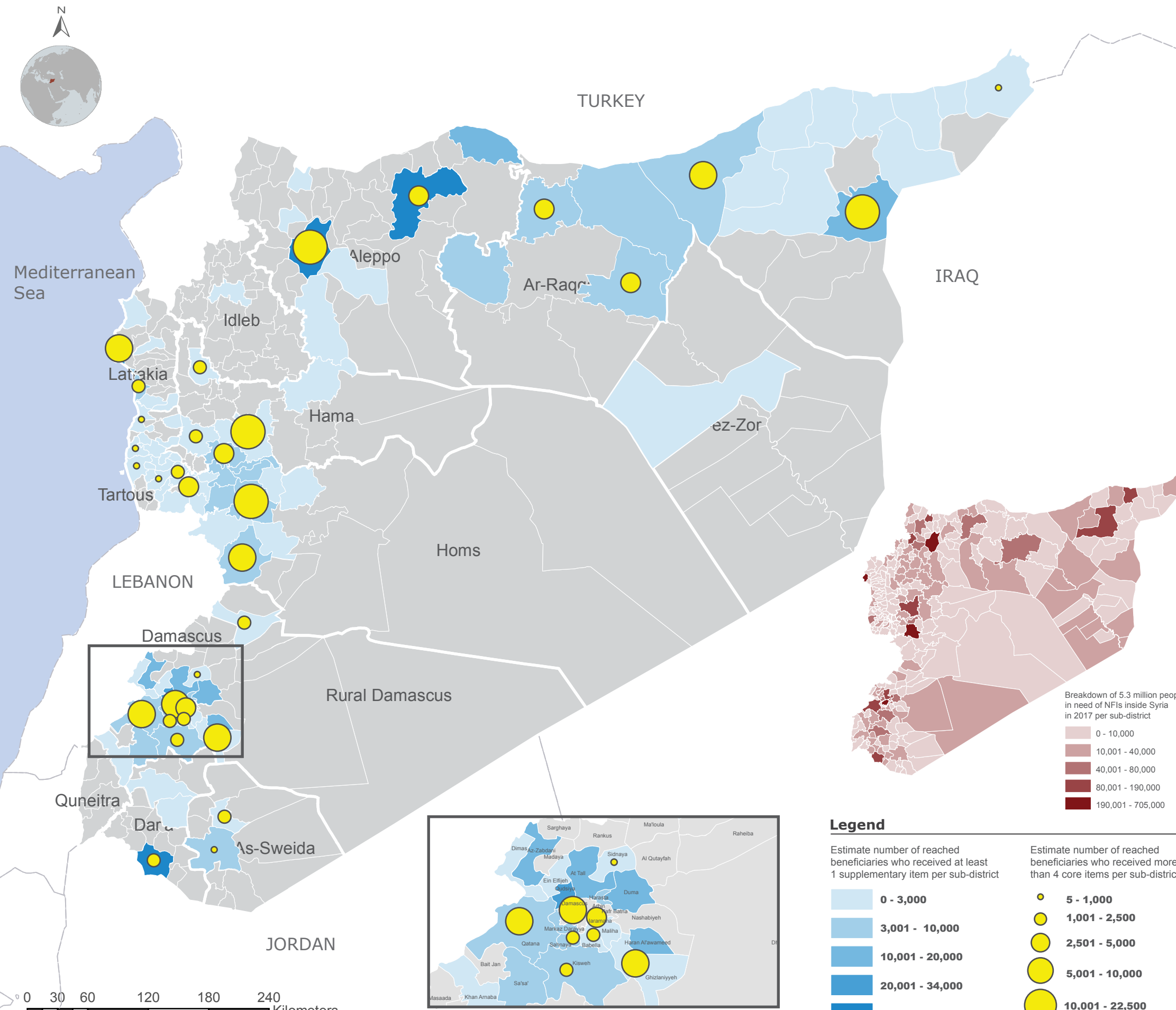
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# SYRIA: NFI RESPONSE

Reporting Period: April 2017



**TOTAL BENEFICIARIES REACHED**

**2,948,147**

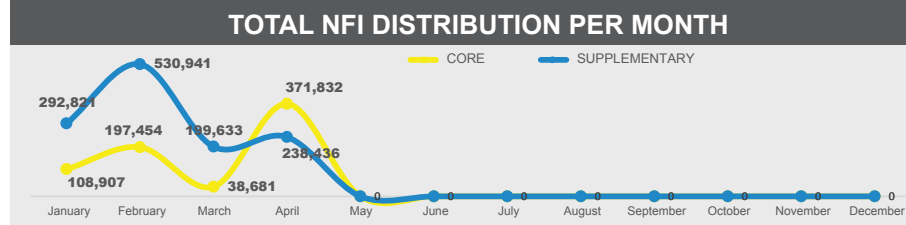
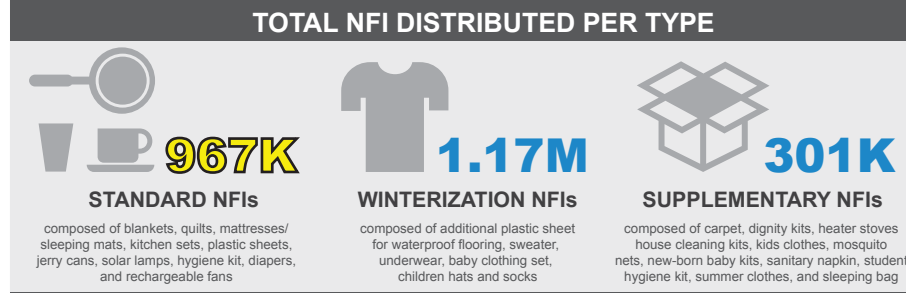
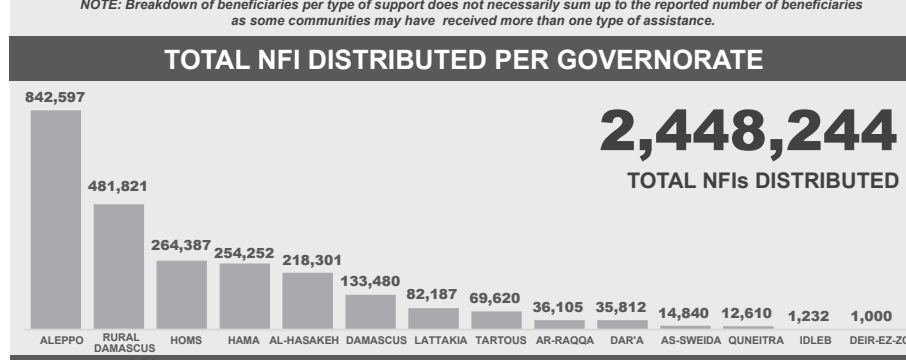
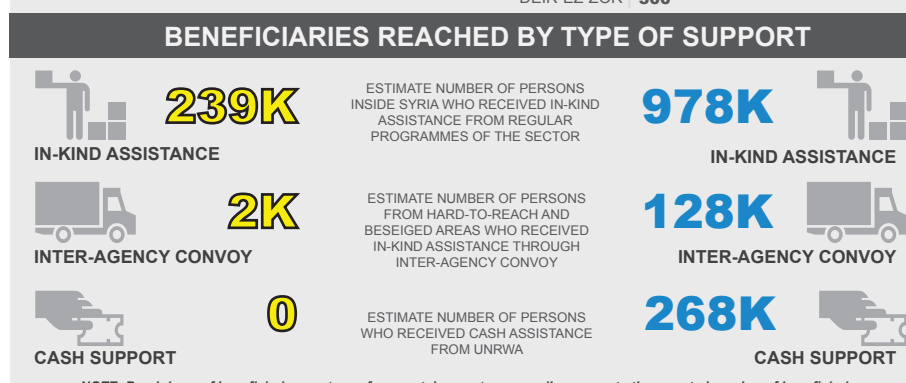
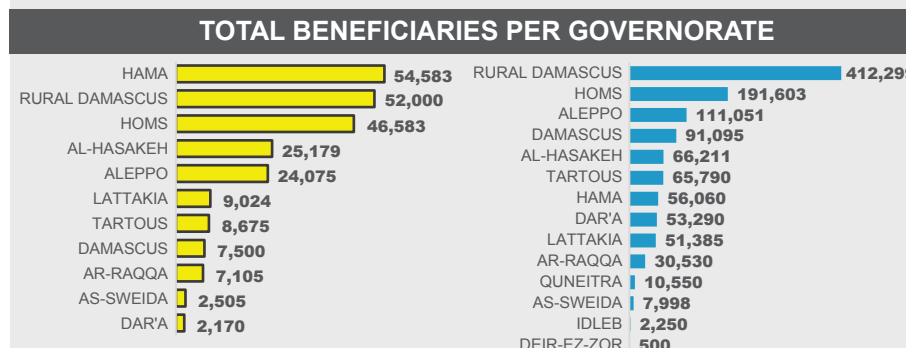
TOTAL NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO RECEIVED AT LEAST ONE NON-FOOD ITEM AS OF APRIL 2017

**CORE ITEMS** **239,400**

PEOPLE WHOSE NEEDS WERE ADEQUATELY MET FOR RECEIVING MORE THAN 4 CORE NFI (5% OF THE 4.9M TOTAL TARGET PEOPLE IN NEED OF NFI IN SYRIA)

**SUPPLEMENTARY ITEMS** **1,150,652**

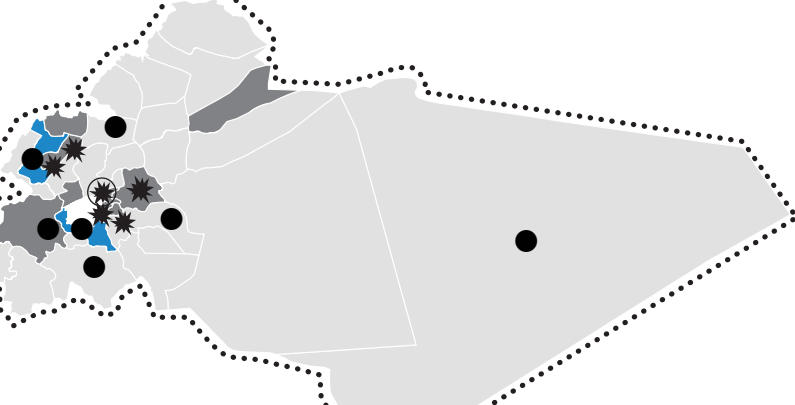
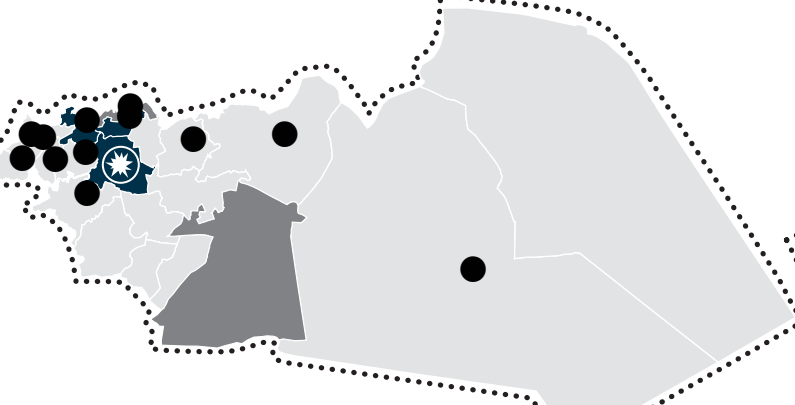
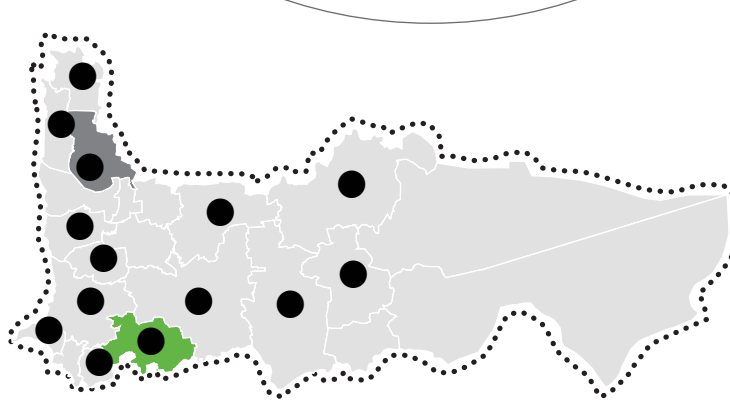
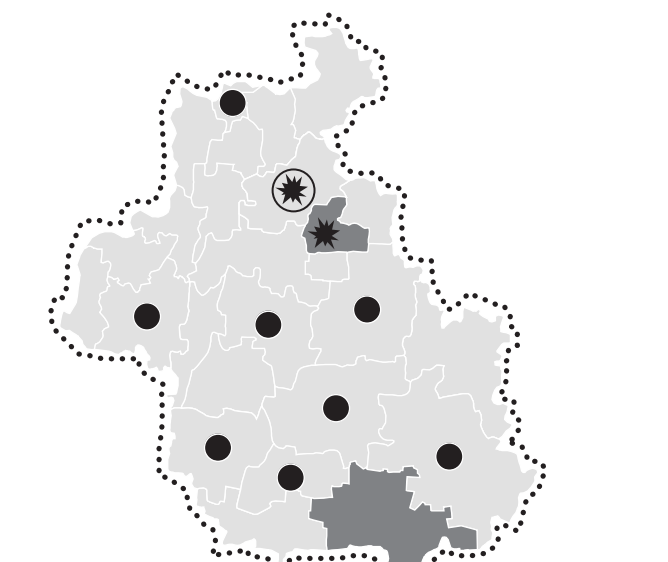
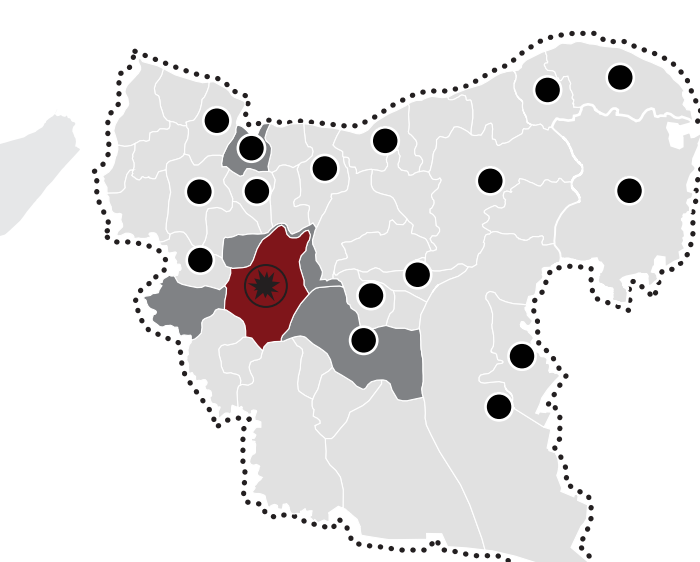
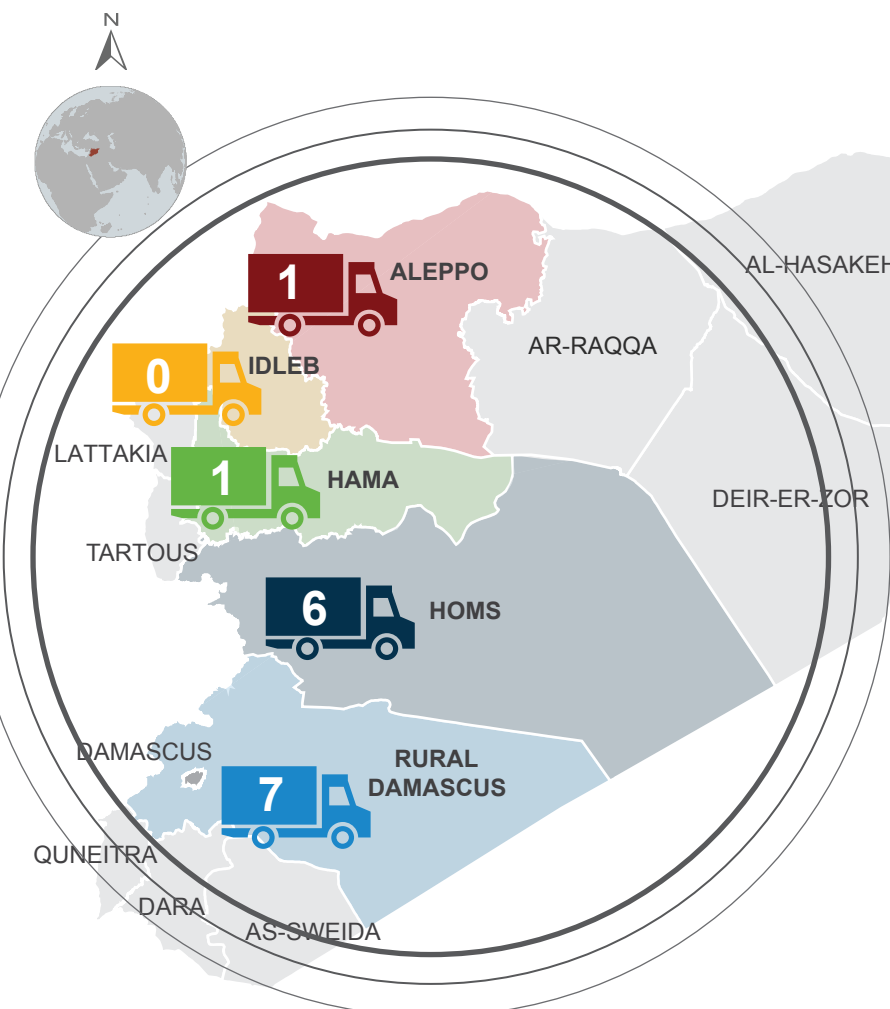
PEOPLE WHO RECEIVED AT LEAST 1 SUPPLEMENTARY ITEM (139% OF THE 825,000 TOTAL TARGET PEOPLE IN NEED OF SUPPLEMENTARY NFI IN SYRIA)



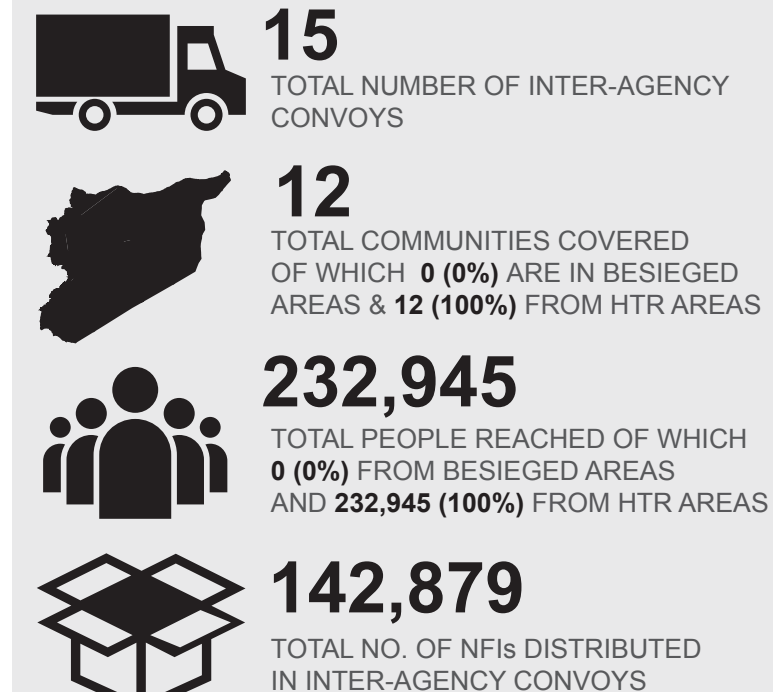


# SYRIA: INTER-AGENCY CONVOY

Reporting Period: April 2017



## SUMMARY



### NAME OF BESIEGED AND HTR COMMUNITIES COVERED BY INTER-AGENCY CONVOY (2016-2017)

GOVERNORATE	HARD-TO-REACH COMMUNITIES	BESIEGED COMMUNITIES
ALEPPO	● AFRIN ● ALEPPO CITY ● HAJEB ● NABUL ● TALL REFAAT	
IDLEB		* FOAH
HAMA	● HARBANIFSE	
HOMS	● AR-RASTAN ● DAR KABIRA ● HOMS CITY ● KAFR LAHA ● TALBISEH ● TALDU ● TIR MAALAH	
RURAL DAMASCUS	● BABELLA ● BLUDAN ● JURUD ● MADAMIYET ELSHAM ● QUDSIYA ● RAWDA BATRONEH ● SARGHAYA ● SUQ WADI BARDA ● YALDA	* ARBIN * AZ-ZABADANI * BEIT SAWA * DARRAYA * DUMA * EIN TERMA * HAMMURA * HARASTA * HEZZEH * JISREIN * KAFR BATNA * KHAN ELSHIH * MADAYA * SAGBA

**LEGEND**

- No. of inter-agency convoys (IACs)
- No. of beneficiaries (persons) reached by IACs
- Sub-districts with besieged communities
- Sub-districts with (HTR) hard-to-reach communities
- Sub-districts with besieged and HTR communities
- No. of distributed non-food items
- Areas covered by convoy in 2016

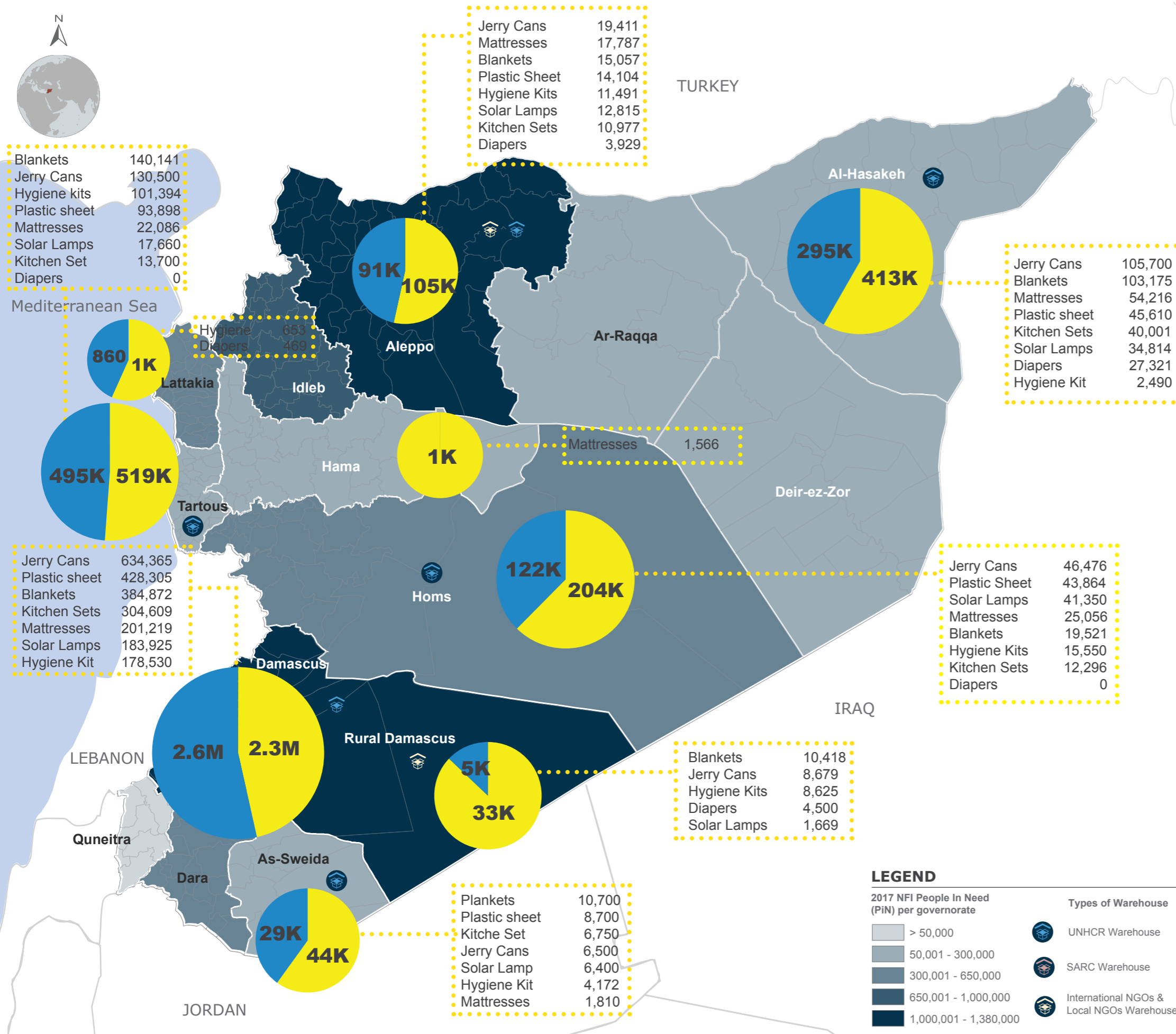
**FOOTNOTE/S:**

A. The information presented here only shows DRC, IOM, UNHCR and UNICEF convoys.  
 B. One convoy is counted as one completed trip.



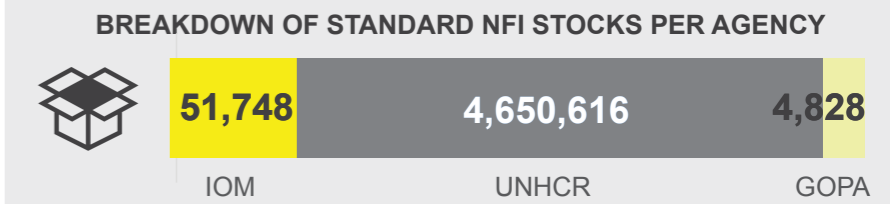
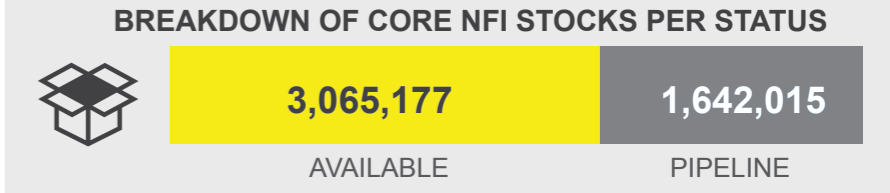
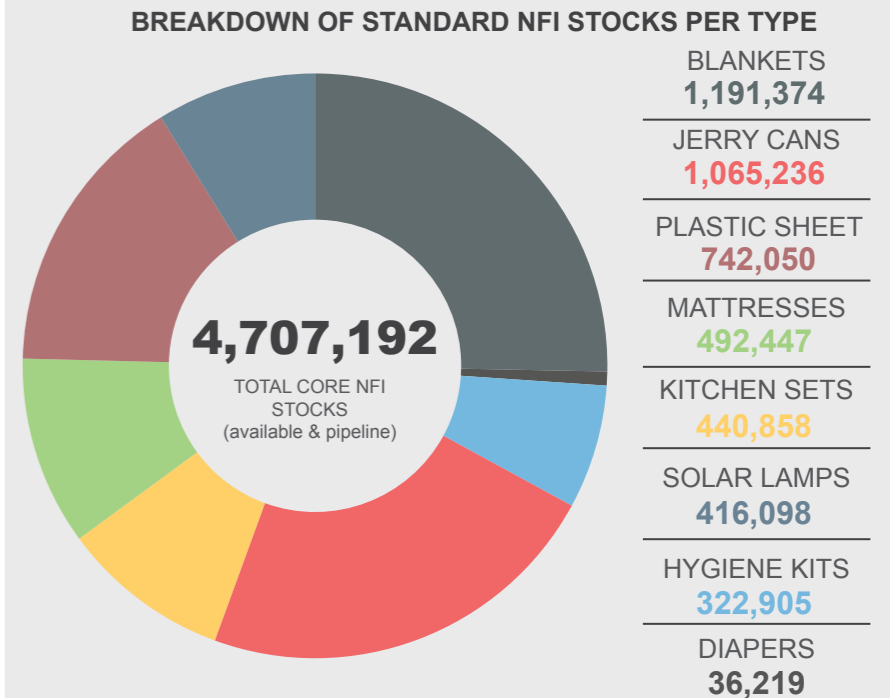
# SYRIA: NFI STOCKPILE

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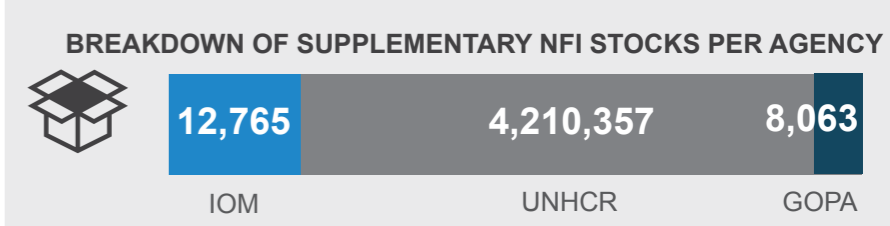
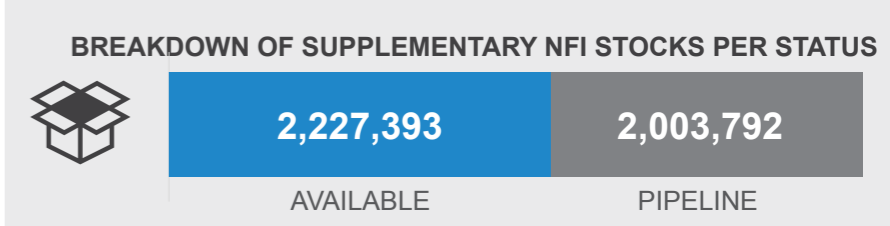
**8,938,377** TOTAL STANDARD AND SUPPLEMENTARY NFI STOCKS AS OF MAY 2017

## CORE NON-FOOD ITEMS



## SUPPLEMENTARY NON-FOOD ITEMS

**4,231,185** TOTAL SUPPLEMENTARY NFI (available and pipeline)



**LEGEND**

2017 NFI People In Need (PiN) per governorate

- < 50,000
- 50,001 - 300,000
- 300,001 - 650,000
- 650,001 - 1,000,000
- 1,000,001 - 1,380,000

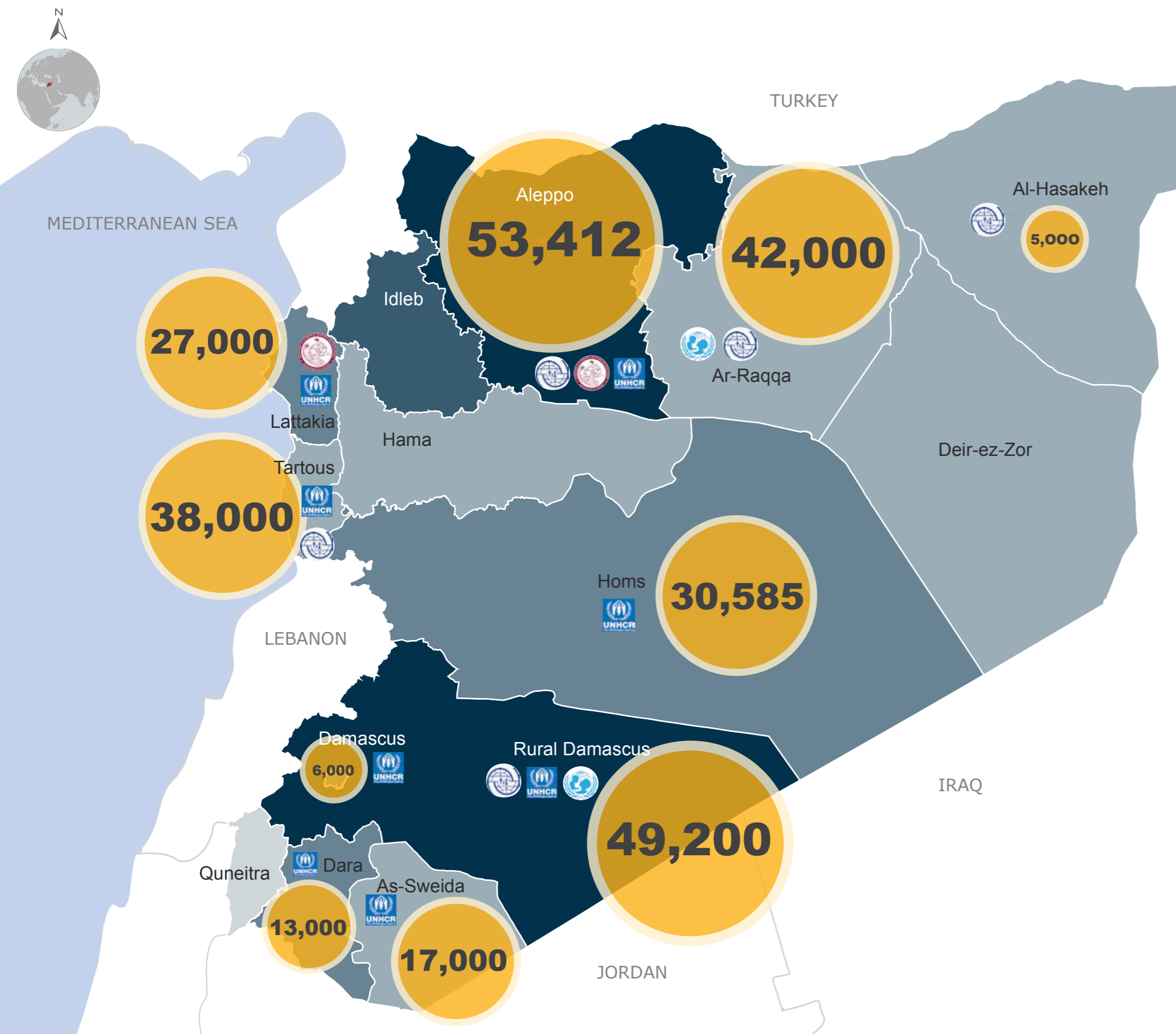
Types of Warehouse

- UNHCR Warehouse
- SARC Warehouse
- International NGOs & Local NGOs Warehouse



# SYRIA: NFI 2-MONTH DISTRIBUTION PLAN

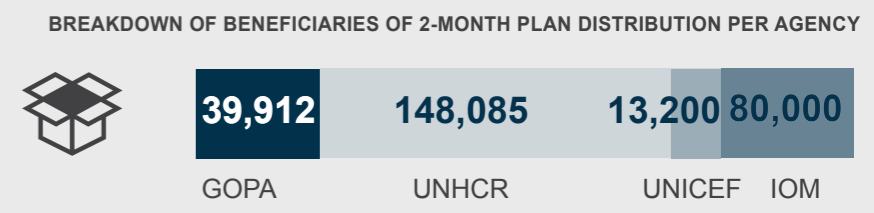
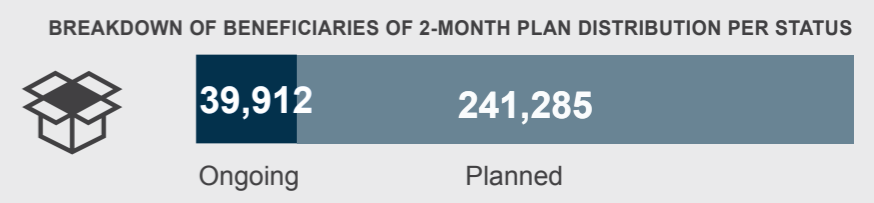
Reporting Period: May- June 2017



## SUMMARY

**281,197**

TARGET NUMBER OF BENEFICIARIES (PERSONS) FOR IN-KIND DISTRIBUTION FOR MAY AND JUNE 2017 BY NFI SECTOR SYRIA HUB



NOTE: This two month distribution plan is only tentative as factors such as access and security have impact in the actual plan implementation.

### LEGEND

2017 NFI People In Need (PiN) per governorate

- > 50,000
- 50,001 - 300,000
- 300,001 - 650,000
- 650,001 - 1,000,000
- 1,000,001 - 1,380,000

- UNICEF
- UNHCR
- GOPA
- IOM
- Number of beneficiaries (persons)