

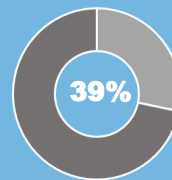
BRINGING HOPE TO VULNERABLE PEOPLE: Providing NFIs as life-saving items remains essential to ease the suffering of people with dire needs in hard-to-reach and besieged location.

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KEY POINTS

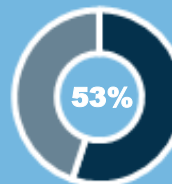
- In September, the humanitarian convoy to Urum al-Kubra (Big Orem), northwest of Aleppo city was attacked. According to several sources from UN agencies and ICRC more than 10 casualties were reported (including 6 truck drivers and SARC volunteers were killed) as they were unloading trucks carrying vital humanitarian aid. Most of the aid was destroyed. Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator Mr. Stephen O'Brien strongly condemned the attack that affected delivering humanitarian aid to vulnerable people in Big Orem area. He further emphasized that international humanitarian law plainly set out the basic responsibilities of warring parties to ensure the necessary protection of all humanitarian organizations, including personnel, facilities and other relief assets. Mr. O'Brien noted that despite very difficult and dangerous conditions, humanitarian aid organizations remain committed to continuing their work and reaching all those in need.
- NFI sector members managed to deliver relief items and NFI supplies for around 12,000 families (estimated 60,000 persons) in besieged city of Moadamiyeh in Rural Damascus governorate and to residents of Al-Waer and Talbisah in Homs governorate.
- As winter is fast approaching, the sector Partners started distributing Winterization NFIs to make sure that the acute needs of the affected population are met to the highest extent possible. The total Winterization target of the sector members in 2016-2017 is to reach around 22 million population in need in 12 governorates including hard-to-reach and besieged areas with funding requirement amounting to around 66 million USD. In September, NFI sector member has distributed 52,000 winter clothing kits and high thermal blankets benefiting around 200,000 individuals
- This month, UNICEF's summer program was completed and through their e-voucher system, they have reached around 27,860 vulnerable children (12,486 girls and 15,374 boys) living in urban areas. The agency plans to continue to expand this in governorates of Damascus, Homs, Latakia, Tartous, and Quamishli. On the other hand, preparations are ongoing to reach more children during winter by using the same voucher modality which provides parents with more choices to respond to the specific needs of their children. Along with this, UNICEF has started to deliver winter kits in hard-to-reach areas through inter-agency convoys to ensure that children are protected against weather hazards. The agency distributed 5,000 kits in Al'waer in Homs governorate and 3,090 kits in Madaya in Rural Damascus governorate.

KEY DIGITS



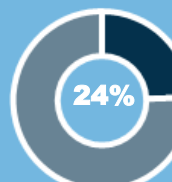
5.3 million
people in need of NFI

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)



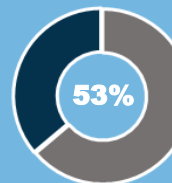
2.8 million
people received at least 1 item

Estimate number of people who received at least one NFI item from January to September 2016 (53% of the total 5.3 million people in need of NFI).



1.2 million
people received more than 4 items

Estimate people who were considered adequately served for receiving more than 4 NFI items from January to September 2016 (24% of the total 5.3 million people in need of NFI).



145
reached sub-districts

Total number of sub-districts reached from January to September 2016 (53% of the total 272 sub-districts in Syria).



7.0 million
NFI items distributed

Total number of NFI items distributed from January to September 2016

3.2 million
stocked NFI items

Estimate number of stocked NFI items from September to October 2016

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 have been trapped 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 inter-agency convoys.
- Lack of reliable consolidated information for inter-agency convoy reach affects the sector's ability to determine the extent and impact of its convoy contribution

CRISIS BACKGROUND: *The civil unrest in Syrian Arab Republic that started in March 2011 has transformed into a multi-sided armed conflict that displaced around 6.5 million people and forced around 4.2 million people out of the country to seek asylum. As per the Humanitarian Needs Overview in 2016, around 13.5 million people are in need of humanitarian support of which around 5.3 million people are desperate to receive emergency shelter, 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

Danish Refugee Council



The Danish Refugee Council (DRC) is a humanitarian, non-governmental, non-profit organization founded in 1956 that works in more than 30 countries throughout the world.

DRC fulfils its mandate by providing direct assistance to conflict-affected populations – refugees, internally displaced people (IDPs) and host communities in the conflict areas of the world; and by advocating on behalf of conflict-affected populations internationally, and in Denmark, on the basis of humanitarian principles and the Human Rights Declaration.

Within the Syrian Arab Republic, the Danish Refugee Council has responded to the Iraqi refugee crisis since 2008. In 2012 DRC expanded its mandate to assist Syrian IDPs in its main areas of operation: Rural Damascus /Damascus, Homs, Hama, Dara'a and Aleppo. Aside from these areas, DRC addresses emergency needs, as they arise, in other areas throughout Syria. DRC's emergency response focuses on provision of NFIs and communal shelter rehabilitation with a strong WASH component.

Since 2014 DRC has distributed 2.4 million NFIs covering 1.5 million people in need across Syria.

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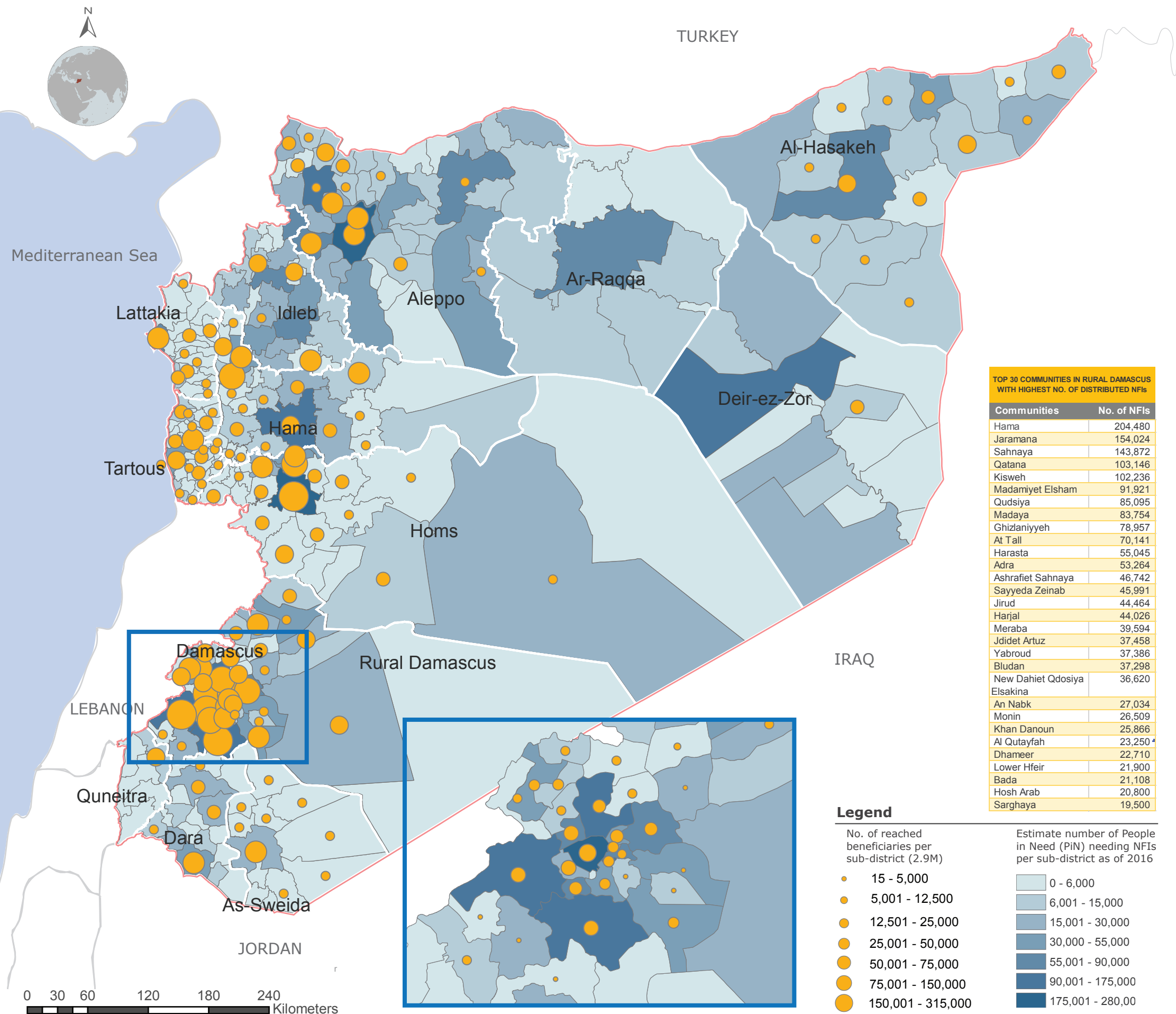
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SYRIA: NFI RESPONSE

Reporting Period: January - September 2016



TOTAL BENEFICIARIES REACHED / SERVED

2,837,632
PEOPLE WHO RECEIVED AT LEAST 1 NFI

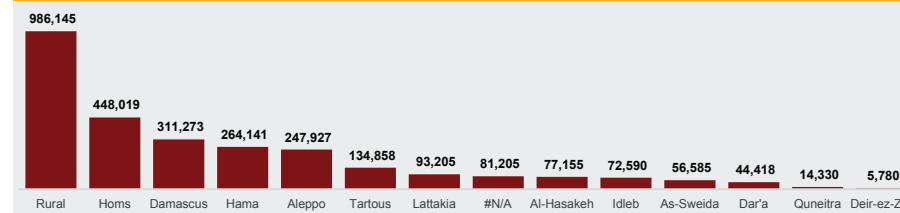
OVERALL REACHED VS OVERALL PEOPLE IN NEED (NFI)
53% of 5.3M overall population in need of NFIs in Syria

1,295,745
PEOPLE WHO RECEIVED MORE THAN 4 NFIs

OVERALL SERVED VS OVERALL PEOPLE IN NEED (NFI)
24% of 5.3M overall population in need of NFIs in Syria

Footnote: The Beneficiaries reached figures decrease as compared to previous month, this is because of an error in calculation of beneficiaries last month. Beneficiaries Counting criteria: Maximum number of individuals reached by any NFI item per community at any given time.

TOTAL BENEFICIARIES PER GOVERNORATE

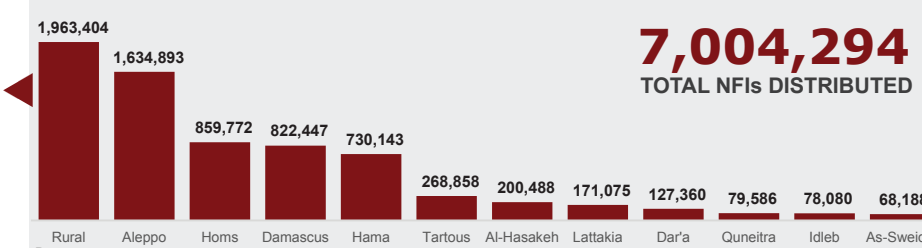


BENEFICIARIES REACHED BY TYPE OF SUPPORT



NOTE: Breakdown of beneficiaries per type of support does not necessarily sum up to the reported number of beneficiaries as some communities may have received more than one type of assistance.

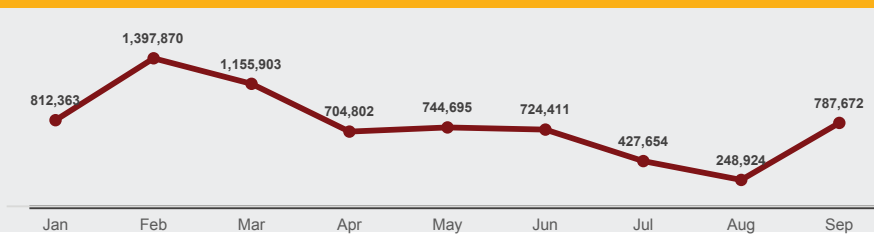
TOTAL NFI DISTRIBUTED PER GOVERNORATE



TOTAL NFI DISTRIBUTED PER TYPE



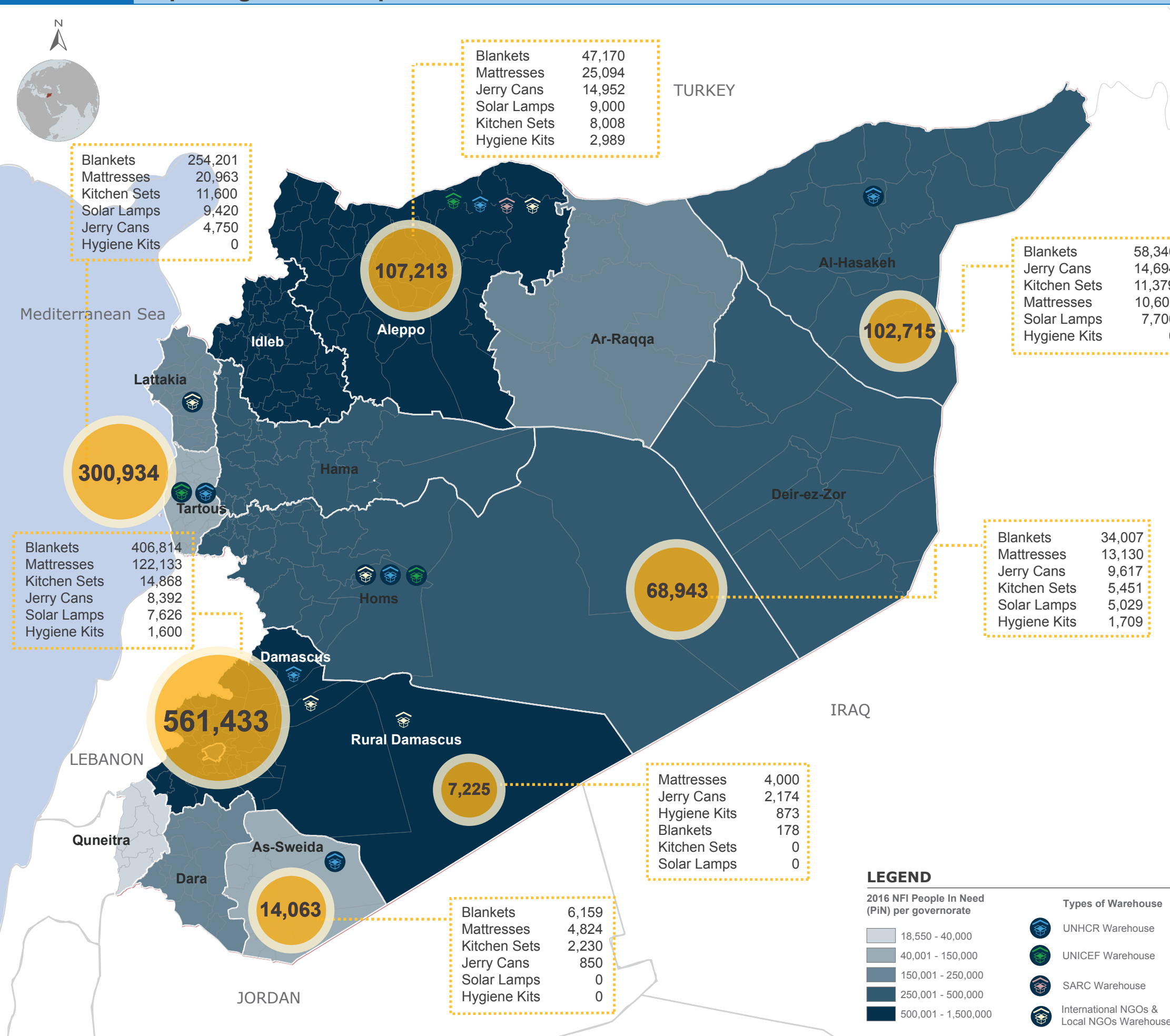
TOTAL NFI DISTRIBUTION PER MONTH





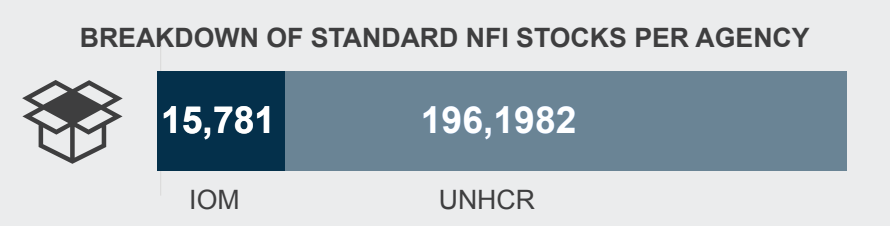
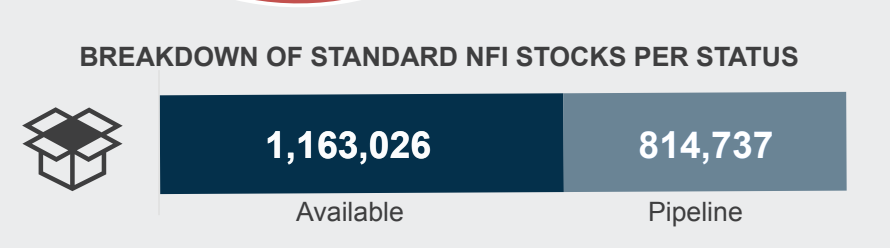
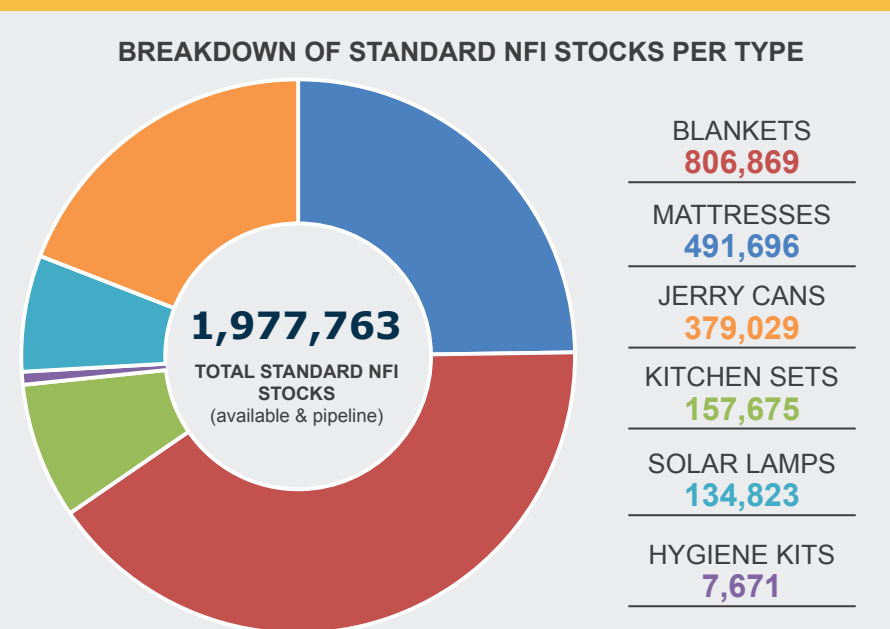
SYRIA: NFI STOCKPILE

Reporting Period: September - October 2016



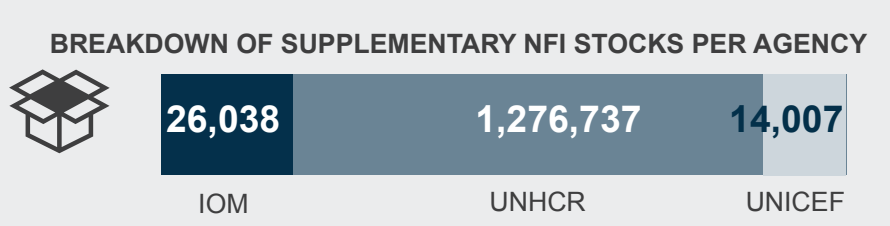
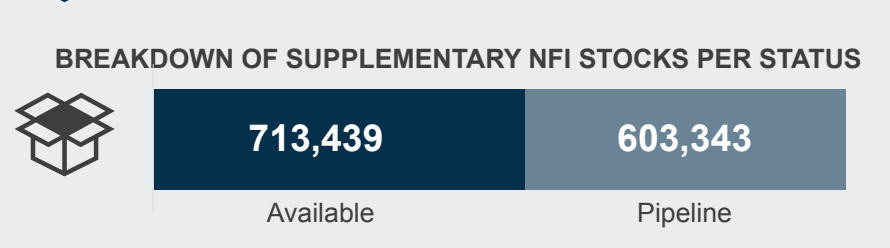
3,294,545 TOTAL STANDARD AND SUPPLEMENTARY NFI STOCKS FOR SEP - OCT

STANDARD NON-FOOD ITEMS



SUPPLEMENTARY NON-FOOD ITEMS

1,316,782 TOTAL SUPPLEMENTARY NFI (available and pipeline)



LEGEND

2016 NFI People In Need (PiN) per governorate

- 18,550 - 40,000
- 40,001 - 150,000
- 150,001 - 250,000
- 250,001 - 500,000
- 500,001 - 1,500,000

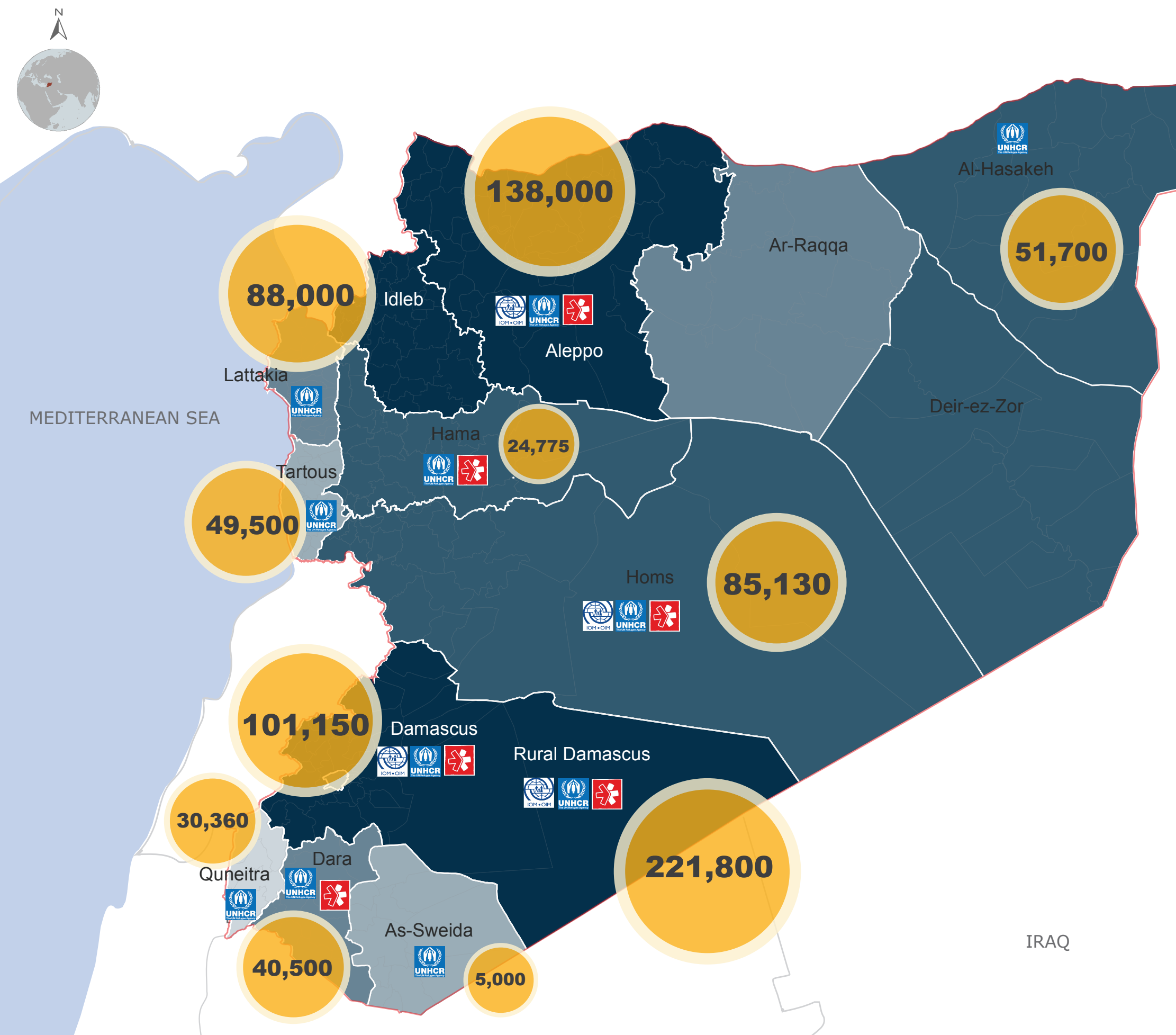
Types of Warehouse

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



SYRIA: NFI 2-MONTH DISTRIBUTION PLAN

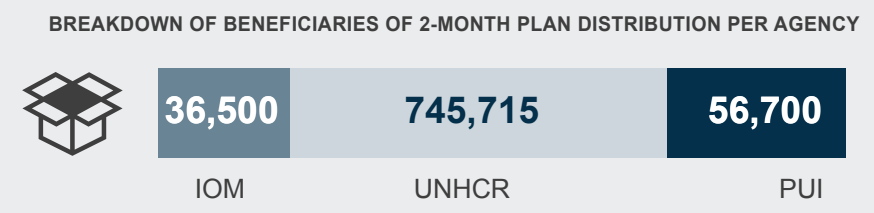
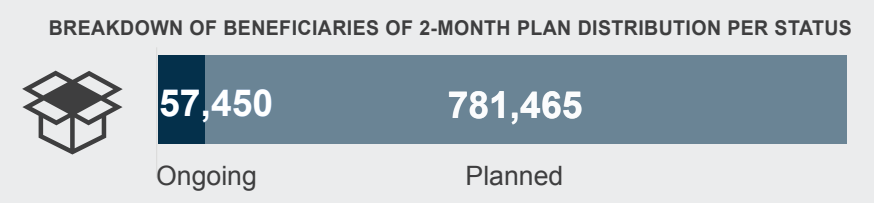
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SUMMARY

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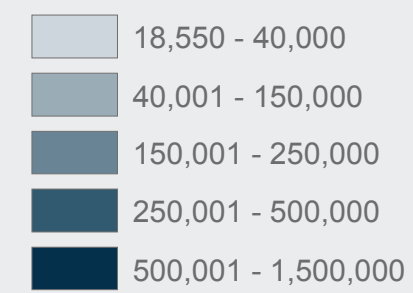
TARGET NUMBER OF BENEFICIARIES (PERSONS) FOR IN-KIND DISTRIBUTION FROM SEPTEMBER TO OCTOBER 2016 BY NFI SECTOR SYRIA HUB



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

LEGEND

2016 NFI People In Need (PiN) per governorate



- IOM
- UNHCR
- PUI
- Number of beneficiaries (persons)