

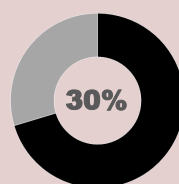


**AR-RAQQA:** Ain Issa Camp has been receiving thousands of displaced people mostly from Ar-Raqqa and Aleppo governorates. Humanitarian agencies are distributing relief items and improving infrastructure at the camp to improve conditions and boost capacity to meet the needs of expected new arrivals.

## MAJOR HIGHLIGHTS

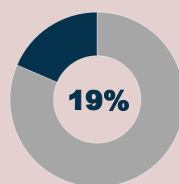
- Sector partners continue to provide assistance to IDPs who were displaced from Ar Raqqa. In June, road construction and site preparation in Mabrouka and Ein Issa camps were completed. Construction of communal kitchen and rehabilitation of fence and installation of camp lighting are in progress.
- IOM has completed the repair of 236 partially damaged houses for returnees in Homs. The targeted communities and relevant stakeholders were actively involved.
- In Aleppo, ADRA and PUI received the official approval to launch technical assessment for 200 damaged houses. The technical assessment aims to identify the rehabilitation scope in details, to be followed by tendering and implementation.
- UNHCR held a verification mission to four villages in the northern rural area of Lattakia governorate. UNHCR is planning to support returnee families with rehabilitation of damaged houses. The mission revealed that families are only willing to return, if they will be supported with shelter rehabilitation. They also expressed the need for livelihood support to fully rebuild their lives.
- A two-day Whole of Syria Shelter/NFI Meeting was organised on 19th to 20th of June in Beirut, Lebanon for the sector operational updating and planning. Among the highlights of the meeting include the discussion of the planned needs assessment that would help to inform the 2018 Humanitarian Needs Overview and the review of severity scales and winterization planning approaches.
- An assessment registry was developed to compile all assessment, and monitoring and evaluation related activities conducted inside Syria. The registry aims to evaluate the available and missing information pertaining to shelter needs situation. This way sectors partners could better plan out their assessment and monitoring projects.

## KEY DIGITS



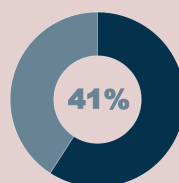
**4.0 million**  
people in need (PiN) of shelter

Estimate number of people in need of shelter within Syria hub's AoR (30% of the estimated 13.5 million total people in need of humanitarian support in 2017)



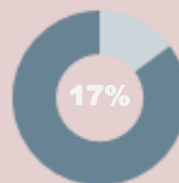
**742,000**  
PiN targeted entire Syria in 2017

Estimate number of targeted people in need of shelter in Syria (19% of the estimated 4.0 million people in need of shelter in 2017)



**303,385**  
PiN targeted by Syria Hub in 2017

Estimated number of targeted people in need of shelter by Syria Hub (41% of the estimated 742K targeted people in need in Syria in 2017)



**52,884**  
people assisted

Total beneficiaries assisted by shelter projects since January 2017 (17% of 303,385 targeted people in need by Syria Hub)



**150**  
shelter projects planned/  
implemented

Total number of shelter projects planned/implemented since January 2017



**23**  
shelter sector partners

Number of active shelter sector partners with operational presence



## GAPS AND CHALLENGES

- Ar Raqqa response is becoming more difficult due to continued insecurity, lack of partners, and logistics challenges.
- Lack of financial resources to pay transportation and to rehabilitate damaged houses in places of origin such as Aleppo continue to discourage IDPs in Tartous from returning;
- Limited access to hard-to-reach areas and lack of long-term presence impede the provision of proper shelter support;
- In most cases, available shelters are not enough to accommodate newly displaced persons;
- Insufficient income/unemployment lead to poor living conditions;
- The operational capacity of the sector is insufficient to meet the needs.

**CRISIS BACKGROUND:** *The crisis in the Syrian Arab Republic that started in March 2011 has transformed into a complex emergency that has displaced around 6.3 million people and forced around 4.8 million people out of the country to seek asylum. As per the 2017 Humanitarian Needs Overview, around 13.5 million people are in need of humanitarian assistance of which around 4.3 million people are desperate to receive adequate shelter support and other multi-sectorial assistance as they continue to struggle in an unsafe and uncertain environment. Due to the protracted nature of the hostilities, many of both displaced and host communities become more vulnerable and their ability to cope and find safe and durable shelter solutions have been greatly affected. The humanitarian community has been challenged to both provide emergency and life-saving shelter solutions while building back community cohesion and resilience through provision of sustainable shelter assistance.*



**AL-HASSAKEH:** Sector partners are doing what it can to provide life-saving shelter assistance to the displaced people from Ar Raqqa to Mabrouka Camp, one of the temporary dwelling spaces before IDPs move on to other areas or return to their places of origin.

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## PARTNER IN FOCUS

UNRWA is a United Nations agency established by the General Assembly in 1949 and mandated to provide assistance and protection to some 5 million registered Palestine refugees. Its mission is to help Palestine refugees in Jordan, Lebanon, Syria, West Bank, and the Gaza Strip achieve their full human development potential, pending a just and lasting solution to their plight. UNRWA services encompass education, health care, relief and social services, camp infrastructure and improvement, and microfinance.

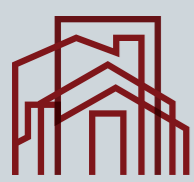
UNRWA launched its operation in Syria in 1953, four years after its establishment. Its field office is in Damascus and it operates across the country in the areas where Palestine refugees reside. The Agency runs installations in Aleppo, Damascus, Dera'a, Hama, Homs, Latakia, Rural Damascus, and Sweida. To date, it has approximately 4,300 staff members providing services to Palestine refugees across Syria.

As part of its shelter assistance, UNRWA maintains and manages 9 collective shelters in its premises hosting internally displaced Palestine refugees and Syrians. In 2016, the Agency supported around 3,517 people in these collective centers. As of June 2017, only 1,968 individuals remained. UNRWA is observing a decrease of the shelter population as shelter residents seek more sustainable accommodations six years within the crisis. Families receive a full package of humanitarian assistance including cash assistance, daily hot meals or food parcels, and NFIs. On the occasion of Ramadan, 4,400 suhour food baskets and 34,825 meat pies were also provided.

UNRWA has no implementing partners as it is a direct service provider. However, the Agency constantly coordinates with government bodies, such as GAPAR ( the General Administration for Palestine Arab Refugees), other UN agencies as part of the UN system, and the national and international civil society.

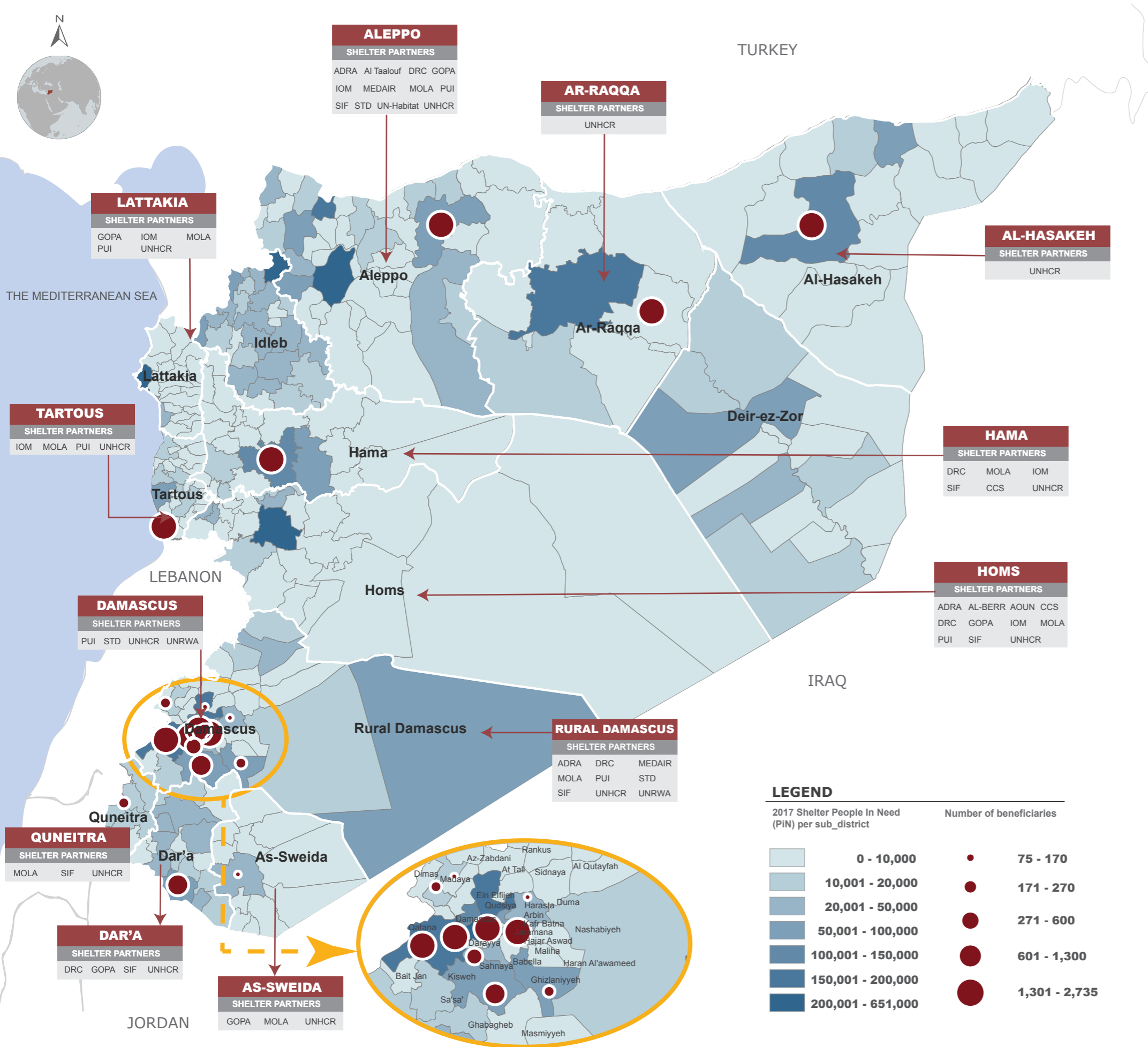
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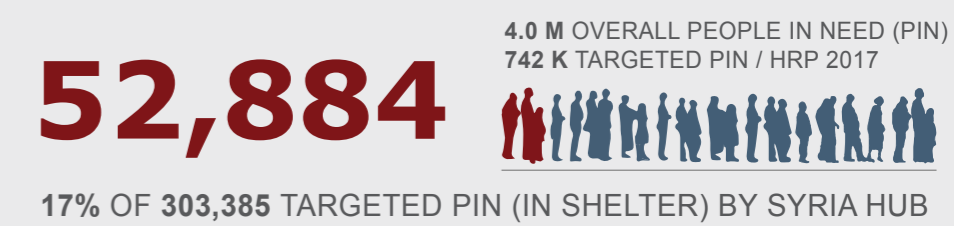


# SYRIA: SHELTER SECTOR RESPONSE SNAPSHOT

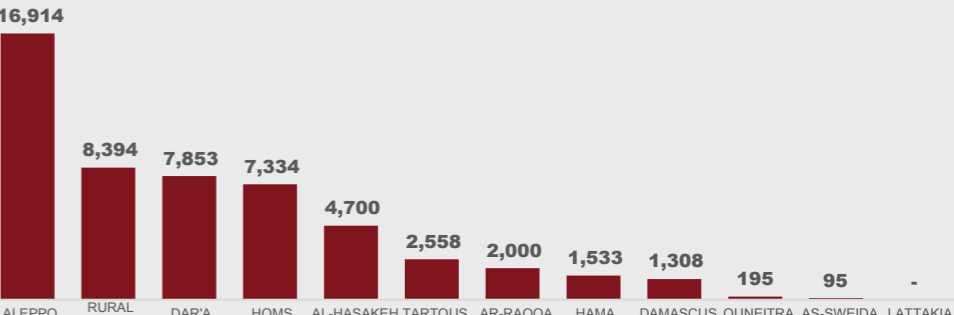
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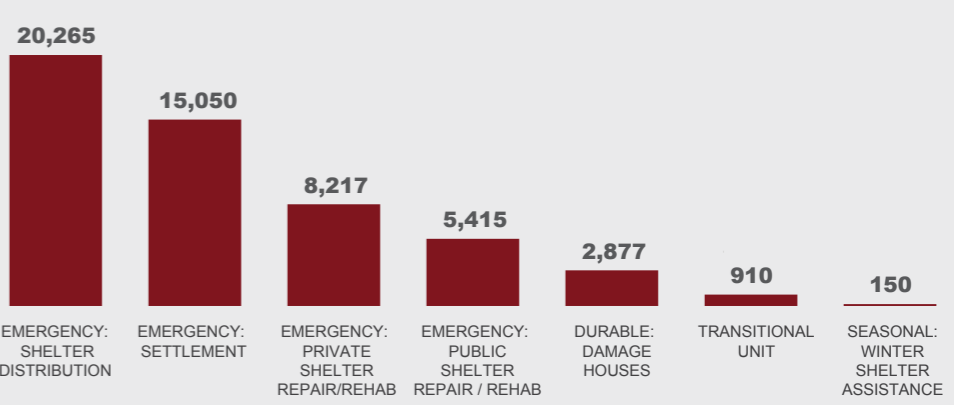
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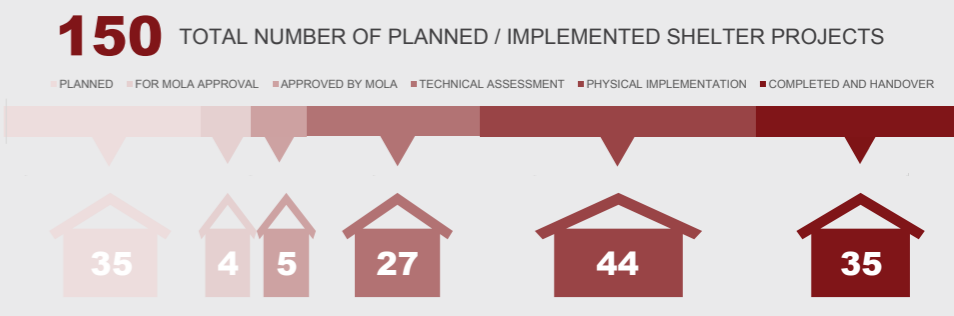
## BENEFICIARIES COVERED PER GOVERNORATE



## BENEFICIARIES COVERED BY TYPE OF SUPPORT



## NO. OF SHELTER PROJECTS PER STAGE



## SHELTER SECTOR PARTNERS AS APRIL 2017

**CO-LEAD AGENCIES**

ACF	ADRA	AL BIRR	AL INSHAAT
AOUN	CHILD CARE SOCIETY	DRC	IOM
GOPA	MEDAIR	NRC	OXFAM
PUI	Rebuild Syria	RESCATE	SARC
SIF	STD	SSSD	UN-Habitat
UNRWA			