Jordan is home to approximately 1.5 million Syrians, half of whom are registered as refugees with UNHCR. 761,229 registered refugees in Jordan, 46% are children. 82.6% of Syrian refugees live outside camps in urban areas. 44,617 Syrian refugees registered and living in Azraq Refugee Camp, 18% are under five years old. 80,434 Syrian refugees registered and living in Zaatari Refugee Camp, 18.4% are under five years old.

IDPs across Syria: 6.9 million people. IDPs in Northwest Syria: 2.8 million people. People in need inside Syria: 14.6 million people, over 6.5 million children. At least 2.5 million children in Syria are out of school but the numbers are believed to be much higher. Since 2011, around 21,250 grave violations against children have been monitored, reported and verified by the UN.

4.8 million children born in Syria have known nothing but war, displacement and acute lack of basic services.

Global Hunger Response

World Vision Syria Response notes that the WASH and health needs in Northwest Syria are growing with over 2 million people without access to full WASH services and hospitals and first cases of cholera outbreak have been reported in August 2022. Medication, support for case management, and equipping health facilities are the most urgent priorities for the response. Education needs are also skyrocketing as funding has been significantly cut and SCHF is not “willing” to cover the continuously increasing needs affecting 2.5M Syrian children out of school.

800,000 malnourished girls and boys are most at risk of infection and possible death if treatment is not immediately made available, and with the very first cases of this highly contagious disease being reported as early as August 25. Living in overcrowded sites, and unable to afford clean drinkable water, children and their families must be protected before the disease spreads any further.

Given the climate change worsening conditions reflected in low levels of the Euphrates River and drought, child labor is expected to increase as families cope with the lack of livelihoods. Child labour has a greater impact on boys (28.9% report rate) than girls (17.5% report rate) yet in the so-called widow camps there is no gender disparity identified. Interlinked with the economic situation, there have been reports of increased gender-based violence and related suicides furthering the negative impact on family units and children. The mental health conditions of women and children are worsening, and reports confirm 75% of Syrians suffering from PTSD while World Vision report confirmed that 95% of adult women living in NWS’ widow camps, suffer from depression.
On 12th July 2022, the UN Security Council renewed the cross-border mechanism for six months to deliver humanitarian assistance to Northwest Syria through the Bab Al Hawa Border crossing until 10th January 2023. This resolution allowed the continuation of humanitarian assistance through the UN cross-border mechanism while increasing the risk of those affected to harsh conditions experienced in winter, as witnessed last year. Any following resolution re-authorizing access should be of a minimum 12 months.

During this reporting period, preparations for the expected military operation by Turkish forces in Northwestern Syria continued, supported by political statements by the Turkish leadership. However, a decrease in the pace of preparations for the new Türkiye offensive in Northwest Syria was observed during the month of September 2022, with the possibility of Turkish forces carrying out this operation during the short-medium period. The situation however, remains tense, which suggests the near future. An increase in the conflict activities, airstrikes activity by all parties to the conflict have further added to the situation's complexity.

TURKIYE:

According to the UNHCR, there are more than 760,000 Syrian refugees registered but the numbers are actually much higher, in a context where funding has significantly decreased. Aid agencies have alerted over the summer of the immense risks that governments under-funding and deprioritization of the Syria crisis means for Jordan. Due to the deteriorating economic conditions globally, and also in the Middle East region, directly impacting livelihood opportunities for both Jordanian communities and refugees, UNHCR has appealed to the donor community for USD34M to implement basic health and cash programs until the end of this year. If this is not provided, aid agencies think Jordan is at risk of losing the progress achieved so far in keeping displaced people safe. As noted in the Regional Refugee Response Plan 2022, nearly 20.6 million people, including almost 5.8 million children, need urgent assistance across the five countries, including Jordan. These children are the same ones telling aid actors— including World Vision and UNICEF — that they lost hope, and that a transition to employment opportunities should be the main priority of donors in the years to come for the young generation.

When the Syrian war broke, Feras and his family of eight joined 3.5 million other Syrians in Türkiye. The move only reinforced his hope of returning when the situation calmed down. Little did he know, he will be spending eight years there. Feras “felt a lot of pressure [trying to provide for the family], we could only rely on the monthly humanitarian support” he tells. As a result, the same hope that drove Feras to Türkiye encouraged him to risk going back to Syria. In 2018, Feras and his family arrived in their hometown. He saw his home and immediately felt fortunate. But this isn’t the reality for most Syrians whose homes are destroyed leaving millions without a proper shelter. Once this feeling wore off, he witnessed the drastic condition of his home and later began repairing it with the little money he had. Unfortunately, burdened by the rising living expenses in Syria, the father started noticing that affording water was becoming a luxury as well. “The water tank costs approx 2.51 dollars and I need four tanks monthly” he shares. This left him thinking about ways to secure water. Thankfully, a water-trucking project was being implemented and funded by BHA benefiting 65,200 people like Feras and his family. Its main focus was the provision of clean water to vulnerable communities in Syria.

After years of water scarcity, he shares “we hadn’t seen this amount of water for four years. The water even reaches the tank which is on the third floor!”

Feras* Rebuilds a Life in Syria After Years of Estrangement in Türkiye

*Feras

Syria: 

Jordan: 

Türkiye:
During the month of July, the UN Security Council Resolution on the cross-border access into Northwest Syria, where World Vision operates, was extended after months of negotiations and two vetoed resolutions. This led to the extension of the access for 6 months only, since 2014 when the resolution was first put forward. This aid delivery modality is the only way the humanitarian community can reach more than 5.5M people in Syria dependent on WFP’s food assistance. One million children are also at risk of hunger; in Northwest Syria alone as inflation is expected to reach new highs by end of this year and climate change and conflict decimate Syria’s crops pushing people into hunger. The collapse of the Syrian pound has also driven up the price of good quality fertilizers, seeds and fuel needed to power water pumps. To respond to these worsening gaps and needs, the Syria Humanitarian Fund (SHF) allocated $30 million to address critical needs in Syria. With the limited extension of the cross-border access and the surging WASH and health needs in Northwest Syria - over 2 million people without access to full WASH services and hospitals - the first cases of cholera outbreak have been reported in August 2022. The new disease has already affected thousands and is putting hundreds of thousands other children at risk of infection, or worse - dying.

- World Vision has also immediately reacted to the UNSC voting on the cross-border resolution allowing access into Northwest Syria only for 6 months - [here](#) and [here](#).
- World Vision Syria Response has immediately declared a National CATII Cholera Emergency mobilizing funds and support to procure medication, provide support for case management, and equipping health facilities. These are the most urgent priorities for the response.
- World Vision Syria Response has also released a [press release](#) raising the alarm on the current outbreak and potential risks to children’s well-being.
- World Vision has also continued advocating in coordination with education actors in Northwest Syria for the prioritization of SCHF allocation reserve fund for education activities during the forthcoming winterization response.
- World Vision Syria Response has also published the [Annual Report](#) of its engagement as co-lead of the No Lost Generation initiative.
Response highlights

**Strategic Objective 1:** Protect the most vulnerable girls, boys, women, men; and create an empowering environment for all, regardless of gender, ability or social status.

- **2,118** children aged 4-14 supported with educational and psycho-social activities in CFSs (Disaggregated by age and gender and source - Recurring attendance)
- **1,521** beneficiaries who have experienced, or are at risk of any form of SGBV that received structured awareness raising regarding SGBV and legal issues
- **376** women that access the safe spaces and psycho-social support - First attendance
- **930** men and women attending GBV sessions (Recurring attendance internal)
- **277** beneficiaries benefited from Young Mothers’ Clubs (YMCs) activities and family planning sessions
- **742** women that access the safe spaces and psycho-social support - Recurring attendance
- **1,000** beneficiaries benefited from awareness raising sessions on protection including CP, GBV and parenting (unstructured) (Unique) (Awareness on CP)
- **5,903** households reached by the mobile team disaggregated by service type, age and sex
- **376** women that access the safe spaces and psycho-social support - First attendance
- **168** beneficiaries benefited from awareness raising sessions on protection including CP, GBV and parenting (unstructured)

**Strategic Objective 2:** Assure access to appropriate, resilient water and sanitation facilities.

- **237,808** people directly utilizing improved water services provided.
- **5,791** beneficiaries received hygiene kits.
- **144,359** people received improved service quality from solid waste management.
- **11,008** individuals receiving hygiene promotion (excluding mass media campaigns).
- **97,785** people directly benefited from sanitation services.
- **1,000** beneficiaries benefited from structured PSS and life-skills activities (Unique) - PPS
### Strategic Objective 3: Ensure girls and boys access to education opportunities.

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<td>2,133 children supported and enrolled in educational services in formal settings</td>
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<td>348 pre-school-aged children benefiting from music and arts labs</td>
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<td>13 school buildings and school tents supported with operational costs</td>
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### Strategic Objective 4: Support partners to provide critical, lifesaving health and nutrition services for vulnerable communities.

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<td>25,501 primary health care consultations were provided</td>
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<td>16,829 beneficiaries were reached by primary health care services through PHCU, MMUs and PHC medical staff</td>
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<td>107 livebirths attended by skilled health personnel- Normal deliveries</td>
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<td>4,115 beneficiaries provided with tailored counseling on IYCF provided</td>
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<td>238 beneficiaries provided with maternal and child health awareness messages through SMS</td>
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Meeting the inspiring team behind the World Vision-supported COVID-19 isolation facility in Northwest Syria

Ahmad*, 28, is a care technician at a COVID-19 isolation facility in Northwest Syria, which cares for affected displaced Syrians. Ahmad was himself displaced from his hometown close to Damascus, four years ago. He currently resides in a city in the Northwest and shares a house with his parents and beloved little brother. The young technician is very grateful to have had the opportunity to work at the hospital, which has improved his financial condition after being displaced and losing all of his possessions due to the war. He is currently working on improving himself and developing his personal and professional skills further so that he can one day be ready for this lifelong commitment.

“After being displaced with my family in 2018, my life changed when I began working at the hospital’s isolation facility two years later. There, I gained hands-on experience throughout my work journey, which also increased my practical knowledge” said Ahmad.

The head of the infection control team at the hospital, describes Ahmad as “a person with great ambition who maintains very good relations with all the hospital staff.” This particular facility, which hosts Ahmad and his colleagues, is one of the few hospitals in Northwest Syria that is still receiving COVID-19 patients. It is also the third hospital designated for this purpose and supported by World Vision through its local implementing partner.

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