



Population Monitoring Initiative: Return Atmospheric

Services: Research and Analysis, Data Management, and Field Operations

The PMI Jordan Refugee Returns project aims to strengthen the planning capacity for Syrian refugee return preparedness in Jordan to help understand the current conditions affecting return-related decision-making along with expected developments and trends, which are essential in preparing, planning and eventually supporting the future of this population.

Little is known about the social and economic structures that refugees from Syria have formed during their years of refuge in Jordan that will follow them back to some degree and influence the situation as they return. Understanding the dynamics – of both when and why refugees choose to return and what happens when they do – is essential to understanding the landscape, needs, conditions and potential points of conflict that may develop on return to Syria.

The iMMAP Population Monitoring Initiative (PMI) seeks to continue its ongoing UNHCR project examining, analysing, and reporting on the complex question of refugee return scenarios in Jordan for 2019. This project is designed around supplying UNHCR as well as the broader community of implementing partner organizations with the necessary information required to efficiently and effectively understand and manage their programs in relation to refugee returns.

Deliverables:

Return Intention Survey

1800

surveys to be statistically representative of Syrian refugees originating from Rural Damascus/Damascus (combined), Aleppo and Homs governorates.

Focus Group Discussion (FGD) Summaries

A summary of transcripts from each of the 10 FGDs (one for men and one for women in each of the five major host communities).

Return Follow-Up Surveys

500

follow-on calls with Dar'a refugees.

Return Atmospheric Reports

Scenario reports that will inform on and analyze the various factors that affect returns across the strategic, operational and programmatic levels.

Profile Analyses

Comprehensive written reports on the three governorates that will include a quantitative profile of the community survey and contextualized with qualitative data from Focus Group Discussions.



According to the latest **Situational Syria Regional Refugee Response** produced by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), there are presently **664,330 registered Syrian refugees in Jordan**. 123,372 are stationed in-camp, while the remainder 540,958 Syrian refugees are stationed out-camp.

Project Duration:
1 Jan 2019 - 31 Dec 2019

Budget:
USD 1,270,405

Donors:
UNHCR

Focus:
Syria/Jordan

Main Partners:
UNHCR, Protection Cluster and Shelter/NFI Cluster



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Background

There are over 5 million Syrian refugees registered with UNHCR and various governments within the region. The majority have been outside of the country and now make up significant populations in their host communities, including seven percent in Jordan alone.

As the war comes to end, the future path of these refugees through and around the UNHCR frameworks will have a significant impact on Syria, Jordan and other host countries and the international landscape. However, an established mechanism for monitoring key factors in the big picture influencing returns is currently missing and there are significant information gaps regarding nuanced conditions for specific groups among the refugee population.

With the help of UNHCR, the Population Monitoring Initiative (PMI) is looking to fill the information gaps and strengthen the planning capacity for return preparedness.