

KEY FACTS



6.8 million

People in need of humanitarian assistance in Syria (UNHCR, April 2013)



4.3 million

Internally Displaced Persons in Syria (UNHCR, April 2013)



1.5 million

Syrian refugees in neighboring countries (UNHCR, May 2013)



£171.1 million

Total amount of UK assistance to the Syria humanitarian response. This includes £50million pledged to the UN Syria Appeal at the January conference in Kuwait.



£.2 million

Amount of UK assistance inside Syria



£56.9 million

Amount of UK assistance for Syrian refugees and host communities in neighbouring countries

Notes: Future results in this document are indicative and subject to change.
Icon source: UNOCHA

As conflict continues to rage in Syria, millions of people are in desperate need of assistance. The UK is responding by providing over a million people with food, medical care and relief items.

This bulletin describes the UK humanitarian response to the Syrian crisis. For full details of our funding and the agencies we are working through, see page 4.



Children in Ramtha Host Community.
Source: UNICEF

SUPPORT INSIDE SYRIA

The UK has provided **£114 million** of assistance to help people affected by the conflict across Syria, including in opposition held and contested areas.

Food



UK aid will provide food for over **136,000** people across Syria every month through our partner the World Food Programme ([WFP](#)). Additional funding to other partners will provide over 170,000 people across Syria with food.

Water



UK funding has already delivered water purification supplies and repairs to water infrastructure benefiting over **900,000** people. UK support to [UNICEF](#) will deliver safe drinking water for up to **580,000** people in Syria. UNICEF are repairing damaged water systems, trucking water to affected areas and dispensing water purification tablets to provide clean drinking water to Syrian families.

Coordination



UK funding has helped the UN strengthen security and humanitarian coordination mechanisms inside Syria through [OCHA](#) and UNDSS. In addition, UK aid to WFP has enabled the organisation to enhance its food storage facilities and security management procedures.

Shelter and relief items



Through [UNHCR](#) and others the UK has funded the supply of over **250,000** relief items (such as cooking sets, blankets, mattresses etc.) to persons affected by the violence. The UK has also funded improvements to buildings accommodating displaced people. Looking forward, **100,000** people will soon benefit from vouchers to supply essential household items such as food, clothing, clean water and improved sanitation.

Health



UK support to [WHO](#) will provide vulnerable Syrians with essential access to comprehensive health services. WHO are also supporting trauma systems, delivering essential supplies, and augmenting health systems to respond to outbreaks of diseases. Across Syria the UK has already funded over **244,000** medical consultations to critically injured and sick persons. New UK funding will provide access to healthcare for **224,000** people for trauma injury treatment, primary healthcare and referrals to further health facilities.

Livelihoods



UK support through [FAO](#) will provide poultry and vegetable seeds to **6,000** households. It will also instruct **240** community trainers to support Syrians in improved farming methods.

SUPPORT IN THE REGION

The UK has provided **£56.9 million** of assistance to help Syrian refugees and host communities in the region.

Food



UK assistance will provide food for **110,000** refugees in **Jordan** for a two month period. UK support will also help [WFP](#) provide food vouchers to almost **20,000** Syrian refugees in **Lebanon** and over **16,000** refugees in **Turkey** for six months.

Water



Through UNICEF, the UK is providing safe drinking water and sanitation services (toilets and latrines) to **100,000** people in **Jordan** and **60,000** people in **Lebanon** both in camps and in communities hosting Syrian refugees.

Health



The UK has provided significant medical care to Syrian refugees and to vulnerable host communities in **Jordan** and **Lebanon**. To date the UK has funded over **44,000** medical consultations.

In **Jordan**, UK support will mean that vulnerable Syrian refugees and host communities can get essential access to comprehensive health services through WHO, as well as supporting trauma systems, delivering essential supplies, and preparing health systems so they can best respond to outbreaks of communicable diseases.

UK support to UNICEF is helping to provide toilets, showers and waste management services to refugee camps in **Jordan**, **Lebanon** and **Iraq**. The UK is also funding water and sanitation services for over **45,000** refugees **across the region** through UNHCR.

“Where aid is getting through to hundreds of thousands of people, it can be the difference between life and death. The UK has led the way in responding to this crisis so far and we will continue to stand alongside the Syrian people in their time of need”

- Justine Greening, UK International Development Secretary



The UK is playing a leading role alongside other nations in responding to the Syria crisis.

Source:DFID

Shelter



Across the region, UK funding aid has helped to deliver a range of shelter supplies, more than **35,000** in total, to Syrian refugees and to communities hosting Syrians displaced by the violence.

In **Jordan**, the UK has provided cash assistance, funding for winter items, clothing and blankets for over **10,000** Syrian refugees and vulnerable Jordanian families through the [Danish Refugee Council](#).

In **Lebanon**, UK funding to [Save the Children](#) will provide shelter, assistance and financial support to **4,000** people. UK financial assistance to the Norwegian Refugee Council will provide additional shelter and access to aid to **6,750** Syrian and Palestinian refugees to access legal services.

In **Turkey**, a UK funded programme managed by the [Turkish Red Crescent](#) provided approximately **30,000** refugees with mattresses, tarpaulins and heaters.

Coordination



The UK is funding experts to work in humanitarian agencies and help make the humanitarian response more effective. These include a shelter expert in UNHCR in **Lebanon**, water and sanitation expert in UNICEF in **Iraq**, and a humanitarian adviser working with the Government of **Lebanon**.

SUPPORT TO VULNERABLE GROUPS

The impact of humanitarian crisis is often borne disproportionately by vulnerable groups including women and children. Such vulnerable groups are a priority for the UK humanitarian assistance and protection programmers. Some examples include;

Children



Children are among the most at risk in the on going Syrian conflict, and over 50% of refugees are under 18 years of age. One example of support the UK is providing is to UNICEF's **work in Syria and in the region** for psychosocial support services and child protection for **15,000** of the most vulnerable Syrian children and their carers, as well as counselling services for refugee children in neighbouring countries.

Conflict often seriously disrupts children's education. One intervention UK support is providing is through UNICEF, the UK is providing education for **1,000** refugee children, as well as training teachers, and providing educational supplies to schools. We are also funding language lessons for **700** children to help them overcome the barriers preventing them from getting the most out of school.

In **Iraq**, the UK has also provided clothing to over **4,700** affected children through Save the Children.

Women and girls



The crisis has placed many women and girls at risk of violence, exploitation and insecurity. Due to conflict and population displacement many of the most vulnerable households are increasingly supported by women, who often lack the assets to meet their needs and those of their children. The UK has provided cash assistance to help female refugees in **Jordan** pay rent through the Danish Refugee Council, and we are providing livelihoods training, hens, feed, seeds and tools to help women in Syria provide for themselves through FAO.

Pregnant women are particularly at risk, and the UK is providing new-born kits for over **200** mothers and pregnant women in **Iraq**, and reproductive health services for nearly **6000** women in **Jordan**. We are also providing financial support to **1,800** vulnerable Syrian women who are thought to be at risk of coerced marriage, to help reduce their risk of exploitation.



Children at Za'atri camp, Jordan. Source: UNICEF

Host communities



Communities in neighboring countries have been extraordinarily generous in hosting vulnerable Syrian refugees. The UK recognises that this is putting an enormous strain on their resources and we are supporting refugee hosting communities through the humanitarian assistance programme. For example, in **Jordan**, the UK is funding WHO including to increase the access to comprehensive health services for Syrian refugees and vulnerable Jordanians and to improve the national and local public health coordination and emergency response management framework under the Jordanian Ministry of Health's leadership.

Palestinian refugees



There is a large population of Palestinian refugees living in Syria, who are particularly vulnerable to conflict. UK funding is supporting [UNRWA](#) in their work with Palestinian refugees affected by the violence. This funding will provide support for over **100,000** Palestinian refugees in **Syria**, including food parcels and relief items such as blankets and hygiene packs.

Survivors of trauma



Conflict can cause severe psychological harm, and the UK is providing funding for clinical care and counseling. This includes support to **12,000** Syrian men, women and children in **Jordan** who have experienced trauma including sexual violence.



UK AID SYRIA RESPONSE

May 21, 2013

DFID Funding** for Humanitarian Activities in Syria and the Region (GBP)

Agency	Syria	Lebanon	Turkey	Jordan	Iraq	Syria & Region	TOTAL
UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) - Humanitarian coordination, information management and support to the UN Syria Emergency Response Fund	2,250,000						£ 2,250,000
UN Department for Safety and Security (UNDSS) - Support to UN safety and security activities	499,950						£ 499,950
UN Refugee Agency (UNHCR) - Assistance to Internally Displaced Peoples through the Syria Humanitarian Response Plan and refugees through the Regional Response Plan	4,680,000	1,960,000	1,400,000	7,420,000	1,540,000		£ 17,000,000
UN World Food Programme (WFP) - Food aid and support to logistics operations via the Emergency Operation and Special Operation in Syria, and the Regional Emergency Operation	39,000,000	5,189,035	3,778,916	4,829,053	202,996		£ 53,000,000
World Health Organisation (WHO) - Health sector funding inside and outside Syria	7,000,000			1,500,000			£ 8,500,000
UN Children's Fund (UNICEF) - Water, sanitation, hygiene and child protection for the Syria Humanitarian Response Plan and the Regional Response Plan, and armoured vehicles for the safe delivery of assistance	9,822,080	3,298,540		6,499,904	201,556		£ 19,822,080
UN Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO) - Provision of poultry, vegetable seed kits and training community trainers	978,987						£ 978,987
International Organisation for Migration (IOM) - Transportation services to Syrian refugees from border areas to camps				1,958,296			£ 1,958,296
UN Relief and Works Agency (UNRWA) - Provision of food parcels and household items for Palestinian Refugees in Syria and the region, and protection services in Jordan	3,600,000	1,200,000		200,000			£ 5,000,000
Save the Children International (SCI) - Clothing, shelter kits and vouchers		767,509			238,217		£ 1,005,726
Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC) - Shelter and protection support		1,000,000					£ 1,000,000
Turkish Red Crescent (TRC) - Provision of supplies to refugees in Turkey to help prepare for winter			1,000,000				£ 1,000,000
Doctors of the World (MdM) - Provision of medical aid including primary health care		375,932		566,692			£ 942,624
International Rescue Committee (IRC) - Provision of medical aid including primary health care and cash assistance in Lebanon		1,295,818		636,462			£ 1,932,280
Danish Refugee Council (DRC) - Provision of cash assistance, funding for winter items, clothing and blankets				1,338,373			£ 1,338,373
Undisclosed humanitarian agencies, not named for security reasons (operating outside of the UN led response) - Multi-sectoral humanitarian supplies including medical aid, water & sanitation, and food	44,692,414	1,049,969	49,969	549,969	49,969		£ 46,392,290
Humanitarian agency allocations currently being finalised (includes agencies inside & outside the UN appeals) - Supporting both UN and non-UN agencies (NGOs) in multi-sectoral support		3,100,000		600,000		840,035	£ 4,540,035
Technical assistance to humanitarian partners and DFID in the region		217,000	73,250		120,000	1,789,750	£ 2,200,000
In kind contributions - Includes reinforced 4WD vehicles for UN agencies to deliver humanitarian programmes in safety	1,739,360						£ 1,739,360
Totals	£114,262,791	£19,453,803	£6,302,135	£26,098,749	£ 2,352,738	£ 2,629,785	£ 171,100,000

**Please note country and agency allocations are subject to minor changes during project implementation. This is because a portion of our funding is non-country specific but provided for the region as a whole and then used by organisations to fill urgent funding gaps. This flexibility helps to ensure that the most urgent needs are responded to with greater efficiency. Final allocations will be provided after project completion.