

YEMEN

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Key figures:



24.1 M
people in need



3.65 M
displaced since
March 2015¹

More than 80 per cent have been displaced more than a year

53,240 families since January 2019²



1.28 M IDP
returnees¹

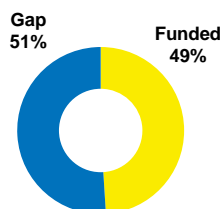


266,021
refugees

10,154 asylum-seekers

Funding

USD **198.6 M**
required for 2019
operations



USD **96.9 M** received
as of 15 August 2019

¹ IOM-DTM March 2019

² IOM-DTM 21 July 2019

IDP Response

In the north of Hudaydah, where IDPs continue to flee from neighbouring Hajjah governorate, UNHCR completed a distribution of some 4,100 basic household items to families in Az Zuhrah district. This year, UNHCR in Hudaydah distributed a total of 12,000 basic household item packages in Hudaydah governorate, half of them in Az Zuhrah, and a further 10,000 in Hajjah governorate, with 80 per cent distributed to families in Abs district. In the first seven months of 2019, more than 75,600 mattresses were distributed country-wide.

UNHCR finalized USD \$3.3M in cash distributions for areas in Sana'a, benefitting some 32,775 families with rental subsidies or multipurpose cash assistance.

This is the fourth cash distribution for 2019, bringing the total number of beneficiaries to more than seven million IDPs. A fourth cash distribution is also underway for 6,550 IDP families in the south of Yemen.

In recognition of the growing need to improve standard service delivery to over 1,548 IDP sites identified across the country, the Camp Coordination and Camp Management (CCCM) Cluster was activated in Yemen in July. With UNHCR as lead agency of the Cluster, consultations were held in Hajjah governorate with the aim of enhancing country-level technical policy and guidance for partners, assessing gaps in shelter assistance and ensuring that CCCM, Protection and Shelter/NFI Cluster principles are well-integrated in any response.

Heavy rains across multiple governorates caused hundreds of IDP shelters to be fully or partially destroyed. Some 5,300 IDP families were reported to have been affected, more than half of them in Hudaydah, followed by Sana'a and Al Mahwit. Humanitarian partners provided emergency items such as 3,600 basic household items and 861 emergency shelter kits country-wide, while Hudaydah alone received nearly half of the household items through UNHCR and partners. In Amran governorate, a widespread loss of property including household items and livestock was recorded. UNHCR partners and the National Authority for the Management and Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs began joint needs assessments in severely affected areas and provided families with emergency cash assistance. Based on needs, UNHCR will carry out other interventions, including psychosocial counselling and legal assistance.

Refugee Response

Following an earlier survey assessing Out of School Children (OOSC) in Basateen, Aden governorate during June/July, a total of 368 OOSC refugee children between the ages of eight and 15 years were identified, of which 213 OOSC (93 girls and 120 boys) have registered in three UNHCR-supported schools so far. A consultant to the Yemeni Ministry of Education visited all three schools to ensure the students and teachers were well equipped for the new academic year. The registered students will soon undergo level assessment tests and receive school uniforms and other supplies. UNHCR prioritizes the inclusion of children in national education systems, with the goal of achieving recognized qualifications and certification, as highlighted in UNHCR's 2019 report [Stepping Up: Refugee Education in Crisis](#).

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Mattresses are piled high up in trucks prior to distribution to an IDP site in Abs district, Hajjah governorate. Each IDP family member receives one mattress along with other basic household items such as solar lamps, plastic buckets and kitchen sets.
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