

# Jordan

June 2025



To mark World Refugee Day, UNHCR organized #WithRefugees Bazaar bringing together talented refugees and Jordanians. © UNHCR/Yousef Taha

# Key Refugee Figures (as of 30 June 2025)

around

560,000

Refugees registered with UNHCR

81%

Refugees in communities

47%

Refugee children

#### **OPERATIONAL CONTEXT**

To mark **World Refugee Day**, UNHCR from 19 to 21 June organized a refugee bazaar to showcase talents of refugee and Jordanian artisans and to recognize Jordan's hospitality and support for refugees.

Due to budget cuts, UNHCR is centralizing **registration activities** for refugees residing in host communities at the Amman Registration Centre, following the closure of registration centres in Mafraq and Irbid. As part of efforts to streamline the registration process, UNHCR has completed the roll out of self-renewal kiosks which are now available in Amman, Zaatari and Azraq camps.

In June, more than 26,000 Syrian refugees registered with UNHCR **returned** to Syria. Overall, from 8 December 2024 to 30 June 2025, more than 100,000 Syrian refugees registered with UNHCR returned from Jordan to Syria. UNHCR continues providing transportation to refugees who expressed intention to return. This month, UNHCR organized transportation for more than 1,600 refugees.

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# **SOLUTIONS**

- From 8 December 2024 to 30 June 2025, more than 100,000 refugees registered with UNHCR returned from Jordan to Syria. Over 26,000 refugees returned in June alone, which represents a 67 per cent increase when compared to May, when some 15,000 refugees returned. More details about the number and profile of refugees returning from Jordan to Syria is available in UNHCR Jordan's returns dashboard.
- This month, UNHCR organized transportation for more than 1,600 refugees who wanted to return to Syria from camps and communities. Prior to departure, UNHCR conducted in-person interviews to ensure the decision to return is voluntary and well-informed and provided counselling and information on availability of services inside Syria. The movements were closely coordinated with UNHCR Syria.
- In June, 77 refugees departed Jordan for **resettlement**.

# **PROTECTION**

- UNHCR interviewed nearly 34,000 refugees in-person and remotely in June to ensure that they have proper and updated documents and can access basic services and support such as education and healthcare. UNHCR's registration and documentation are also essential to inform planning and delivery of humanitarian assistance by other actors in the refugee response.
- Due to funding reductions, UNHCR closed the Mafraq Registration Centre on 19 June, marking the end of over a decade of dedicated services to refugees. Refugees received information about the closure in advance through multiple communication channels. The closure of the Mafraq Centre—along with the closure of the Irbid Registration Centre in July—has raised significant concerns among refugees residing in host communities, particularly regarding reduced access to in-person support and challenges related to transportation. UNHCR is coordinating the transition to centralize registration activities in Amman, redistributing responsibilities, and exploring alternative modalities to ensure that refugees living in communities outside of Amman can continue to access essential registration services and support.
- Following the launch of self-renewal kiosks in Amman and Azraq camp, UNHCR installed two kiosks in Zaatari. The kiosks aim to increase efficiency in service delivery and reduce waiting times, while also promoting refugee self-empowerment by enabling individuals to manage their own documentation processes with greater independence and privacy. Since the introduction of kiosks in December 2024, nearly 8,000 refugees have renewed their documents through this means.
- During the month, UNHCR and its partners counselled and provided support (legal advice, medical aids, urgent cash assistance) to approximately 760 refugees who faced risks to their safety and well-being, including refugees who experienced violence, children separated from families or sent to work, and refugees at risk of eviction.

#### **HUMANITARIAN RESPONSE**

- In June, UNHCR distributed \$2.6 million in basic needs assistance benefitting nearly 16,000 families living in host communities.
- UNHCR facilitated referrals for nearly 600 refugees from Azraq and Zaatari camps to receive vital health care treatment, such as haemodialysis, emergency obstetric and neonatal care, and organsaving admissions at affiliated public healthcare facilities outside of the camps.

According to UNHCR's Socio-Economic Update Q4 2024, food remains the highest expenditure for refugees, with many continuing to purchase food on credit.

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### **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

- From 28 May to 1 June, the Jordan River Foundation (JRF), with support from UNHCR, organized a youth camp in Jerash that brought together 20 refugee and Jordanian youth. The camp is a part of UNHCR's broader initiative to enhance youth engagement in community-based child protection activities. Through a series of interactive and practical exercises, participants had the opportunity to strengthen their leadership, facilitation, and interpersonal skills in a supportive and collaborative environment.
- On 19-21 June, on the occasion of World Refugee Day, UNHCR in collaboration with Jordanian fashion designer Nadia Dajani organized a refugee bazaar aimed at bringing together refugees and Jordanians and showcasing their talents while also providing an opportunity to earn some income. Prior to World Refugee Day, UNHCR Representative gave an interview to Al Mamlaka TV, reaffirming UNHCR's commitment to upholding refugee rights and dignity and acknowledging Jordan's exemplary hospitality and long-term support to refugees.

#### HIGH-PROFILE VISITS, PUBLIC EVENTS AND DONOR ENGAGEMENT

In June, UNHCR organized high-level meetings and visits for representatives of the EU, Germany, and the Netherlands. The visitors held consultations with UNHCR and met refugees living in communities and camps to hear first-hand about their challenges and achievements.

## Financial Information

Total recorded contributions for the operation in 2025 amount to some \$92 million. UNHCR is grateful for the critical support provided by donors, including especially those who have contributed to UNHCR programmes with unearmarked and softly earmarked funds.

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