



UNHCR trucks carrying tents entering to Ceylanpınar camp in Şanlıurfa  
Photo: UNHCR Turkey

## UNHCR completed the delivery of additional 18.500 tents to refugee camps for Syrians

In line with the global agreement signed by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees with the Turkish Red Crescent on cooperation in logistics, emergency and contingency support to UNHCR's operations globally, UNHCR has completed the delivery of 18.500 tents to Syrian refugee camps. The tents were purchased at a cost of USD 15.4 million and provide shelter for over 90.000 Syrian refugees. With that donation the number of UNHCR donated tents reached the total of 35.200 to shelter 176.000 people.

UNHCR tents were manufactured at the Turkish Red Crescent facilities in Ankara and Erzincan. The fireproof tents are 16 meters square and appropriate for all season weather conditions.

UNHCR Turkey Representative Ms. Carol Batchelor stated: "Turkey has consistently and efficiently provided protection and shelter to Syrian refugees, and has set a clear example of humanitarian leadership during an emergency" adding that "Through the delivery of the UNHCR tents to camps, UNHCR seeks to further strengthen and support the enormous efforts underway in Turkey to provide refuge".

From the beginning of the Syrian crises, UNHCR has been working in close cooperation with the Turkish authori-

ties. UNHCR staff have been mobilized to support the Turkish authorities to cope with the crisis and are present on a regular basis in all refugee camps, to provide technical assistance to the Turkish authorities on all protection related concerns. Additional to support to camps, UNHCR increasingly supports the authorities in addressing the rapidly growing needs of non-camp refugees, some of whom are living in destitution. Since the beginning of the Syrian crisis, as a sign of cooperation, solidarity and responsibility sharing, UNHCR has donated core relief items amounting over 52 million USD, including ongoing procurement, to support the Turkish authorities in addressing the tremendous needs of the Syrian refugees in Turkey.

Syrian crisis started in March 2011, and since then, over 500,000 Syrians have sought protection in Turkey. The Government of Turkey has established a temporary protection regime for all Syrians seeking international protection, ensuring no forced return, no limit of duration of stay in Turkey, and assistance in the camps. Since then, almost 380,000 Syrian refugees have been accommodated in the camps while during the same period more than 118,000 have returned to Syria voluntarily. As of late May 2013 there are over 196.000 Syrian refugees registered at camps. In addition to the population in camps, Turkish officials have registered around 155,438 non-camp Syrian refugees, where further 27,585 are awaiting for registration. The Government of Turkey estimates the total number of Syrians in Turkey currently to be around 400,000.



A group of Syrian refugee children are curiously observing a UNHCR tent in Gaziantep Ceylanpınar camp hosting around 45.000 people.  
Photo: UNHCR Turkey

## UNHCR Turkey's Monthly Statistics as of 31 May 2013\*

### Active Caseload Breakdown by Gender and Age As of 31.05.2013

Country	0-4		5-11		12-17		18-59		60 +		TOTAL
	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	
AFGHANISTAN	386	396	792	900	683	1210	2119	2834	68	99	9487
IRAN	168	165	240	315	217	283	2288	3346	104	107	7233
IRAQ	641	712	1012	1140	716	890	3672	4980	299	339	14401
SOMALIA	78	100	162	171	176	211	644	631	14	8	2195
OTHERS	125	164	163	176	107	157	787	1108	26	17	2830
TOTAL F/M	1398	1537	2369	2702	1899	2751	9510	12899	511	570	
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>2935</b>		<b>5071</b>		<b>4650</b>		<b>22409</b>		<b>1081</b>		<b>36146</b>

### Refugees by Age, Gender and Country As of 31.05.2013

Country	0-4		5-11		12-17		18-59		60 +		TOTAL
	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	
AFGHANISTAN	143	144	309	376	313	444	950	1106	25	40	3850
IRAN	57	70	107	147	95	136	1020	1406	64	60	3162
IRAQ	478	560	800	881	577	668	3005	4004	263	286	11522
SOMALIA	62	79	141	146	143	166	532	485	12	6	1772
OTHERS	62	79	69	78	48	76	326	455	20	9	1222
TOTAL F/M	802	932	1426	1628	1176	1490	5833	7456	384	401	
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>1734</b>		<b>3054</b>		<b>2666</b>		<b>13289</b>		<b>785</b>		<b>21528</b>

### Asylum Seekers by Age, Gender and Country As of 31.05.2013

Country	0-4		5-11		12-17		18-59		60 +		TOTAL
	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	
AFGHANISTAN	243	252	483	524	370	766	1169	1728	43	59	5637
IRAN	111	95	133	168	122	147	1268	1940	40	47	4071
IRAQ	163	152	212	259	139	222	667	976	36	53	2879
SOMALIA	16	21	21	25	33	45	112	146	2	2	423
OTHERS	63	85	94	98	59	81	461	653	6	8	1608
TOTAL F/M	596	605	943	1074	723	1261	3677	5443	127	169	
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>1201</b>		<b>2017</b>		<b>1984</b>		<b>9120</b>		<b>296</b>		<b>14618</b>

\* Syrians are hosted under the temporary protection regime outlined by the Government of Turkey. Therefore the numbers are not included in the statistics, for updated information please visit UNHCR's Information Sharing Portal on Syria: <http://data.unhcr.org/syrianrefugees/regional.php>