

Displacement Updates in North-West Syria

Some **2.7 million IDPs** are living in north-west Syria, bringing the total population close to 4.3 million.

As of November, around **46% of all IDPs are reportedly living in adequate housing** according to HNAP's most recent population assessment. However, **around 36% are living in emergency shelter**, predominantly tents, while **6% are living in substandard buildings**, most of which are unfinished buildings. Others are residing in non-residential buildings or transitional shelters such as containers and concrete block shelters.

21,727 IDPs were displaced in November, the majority of whom have been displaced three or more times (78%). The top three sub-district of arrival were Bulbul, Maaret Tamsrin, and Atareb. The new IDPs mainly cited livelihoods as their top priority need.

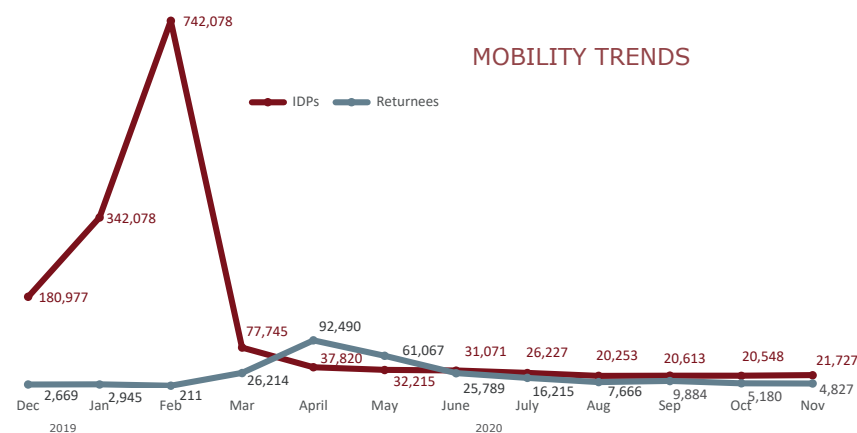
Response

SNFI Cluster members continue to actively respond to the needs of the newly displaced population as well as protracted IDPs north-west Syria.

In November, more than **244,000 individuals received NFI assistance** in the form of NFI kits, kitchen sets, mattresses, jerry cans, carpets, solar lamps, tarpaulin and blankets.

Shelter needs of almost 44,000 people were addressed during November. Of this support, 88% was related the provision of emergency shelter and 12% to shelter rehabilitation and transitional shelters.

SNFI continues to actively coordinate with the Health and WASH Clusters, as well as the Early Recovery Cluster and Cash Working Group, to respond to the needs of the IDP population in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic. Soap and fabric masks are recommended by SNFI to be included in NFI distributions, with the suggestion to procure items locally. In November, **over 18,000 individuals were reached with additional soap distribution** alongside the ongoing provision of NFI assistance.



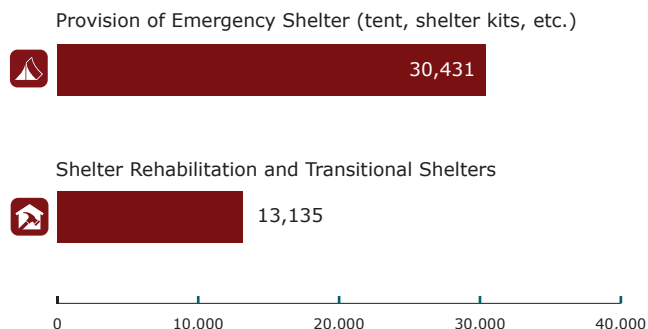
Graph: Number of IDPs in NWS and returnees from within Syria for the past 12 months, as reported by HNAP in November 2020.

Shelter Response

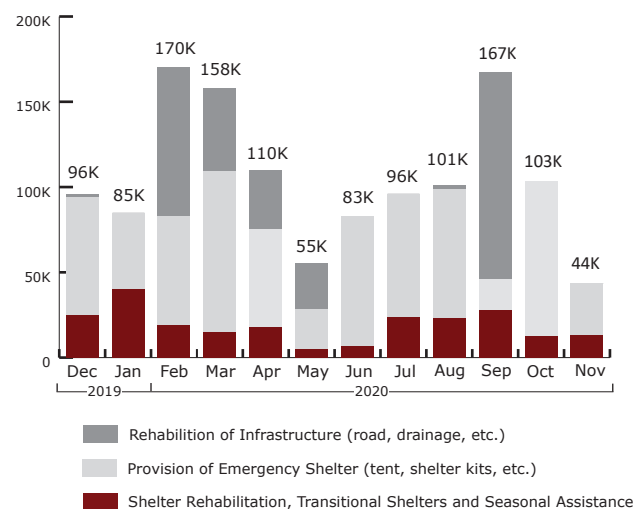


1,176,395 people were reached in 2020 with rehabilitation of infrastructure (320,124 people); provision of emergency shelter (647,399 people); shelter rehabilitation and transitional shelters (176,252 people), and seasonal assistance (32,620 people).

People reached in November by sub-activity



People reached in the past 12 months by activity

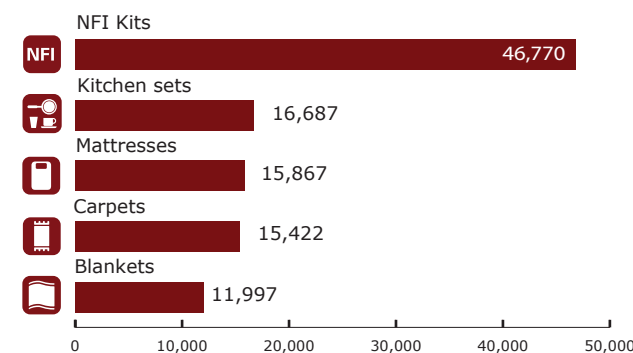


NFI Response

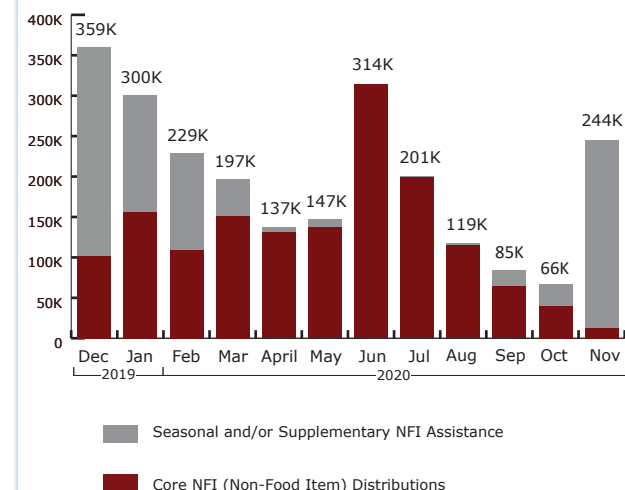


2,081,250 people were reached in 2020 with seasonal and/or supplementary NFI assistance (607,250 people), and core NFI distributions (1,474,000 people).

People reached in November by item (top 5 items)



People reached in the past 12 months by activity



Fire Prevention and Response Guidance Note

The SNFI and CCCM Clusters have collaborated to develop and publish the **Fire Prevention and Response Guidance Note**. It has also been translated into **Arabic**.

Fire incidents continue to happen in IDP sites on a regular basis, and the risks of fires increases with the winter period as people use stoves and heating devices more frequently.

The guidance note was developed by the Shelter/NFI and CCCM Clusters and aims to provide an overview of the recommendations from both clusters about **how to prevent and respond to fire incidents in IDP sites**. The main fire hazards, ongoing response and different activities from each cluster are also outlined. Key resources can be found in the guidance, including **IEC materials**.

Some of the key fire prevention recommendations include:

- Raise Community Awareness
- Capacity Building Trainings
- Establish Fire Response Camp Committees
- Establish Fire Warden Systems and Develop Contingency Plans
- Create Fire Points and Distribute Fire Fighting Equipment
- Utilise Information Management Tools
- Distribution of Appropriate Types of Heating and Cooking Fuel
- Improved Shelter Solutions, Living Spaces and Facilities
- Ensure Proper Site Planning and Reduce Fire Hazards
- Advocacy



Shelter Modalities Training

In collaboration with the SNFI Cluster, Care International launched a series of dedicated online workshops on **Shelter Modalities throughout December 2020**. These workshops engaged 30 SNFI cluster members to learn more about the different shelter types and implementation modalities relevant and applicable to the context. The workshops also included knowledge and networking that helped cluster members to better design the shelter approach, as well as improve the methods and quality of implementation programmes. Some of the key training topics included shelter types and modalities, shelter rehabilitation, collective centers, cash for shelter, cash for rent and global rental guidance, cash and market-based approaches and site improvements.



Activities in Progress, Stock and Gaps as of November 2020



Tents



765,486
people targeted*



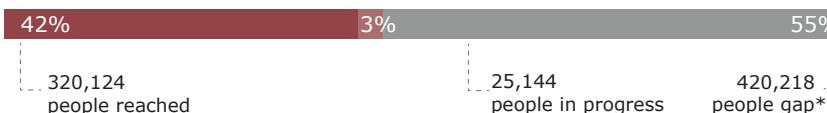
153,097
tents required/planned for



Infrastructure in IDP Sites



765,486
people targeted*



Shelter Rehabilitation



233,802
people targeted



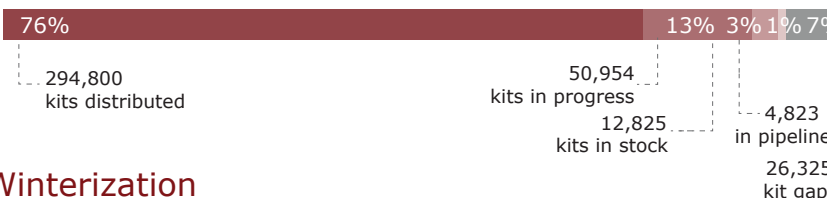
NFI Kits



1,948,772
people targeted*



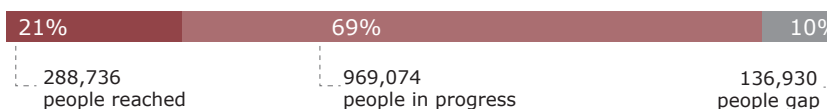
389,754
household NFI kits required



Winterization



1,394,740
people targeted with winter response (shelter and NFI)**



*The updated targets and resulting gaps for tents, infrastructure, and NFI includes preparedness for an estimated 120,000 individuals in case of a new major displacement.

** The gap for winterization is based on partners plans and capacities - the overall funding gap is higher.



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Shelter NFI Whole of Syria page

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SNFI Cluster Interactive Dashboard

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