

OVERALL FINDINGS: 20-26 MARCH

- 122 out of 1,183 ISMI-covered communities in Aleppo, Ar-Raqqa, Deir-ez-Zor, Hama, Homs and Idleb governorates experienced inward or outward movement of IDPs:

- 18,594 IDP departures
- 16,519 IDP arrivals

- Escalating conflict in northern and western Hama governorate, namely Madiq Castle and Kafr Nabutha displaced large numbers of IDPs¹

- Ongoing conflict and airstrikes in Ar-Raqqa led to the departure of 3,600 individuals from Ar-Raqqa city

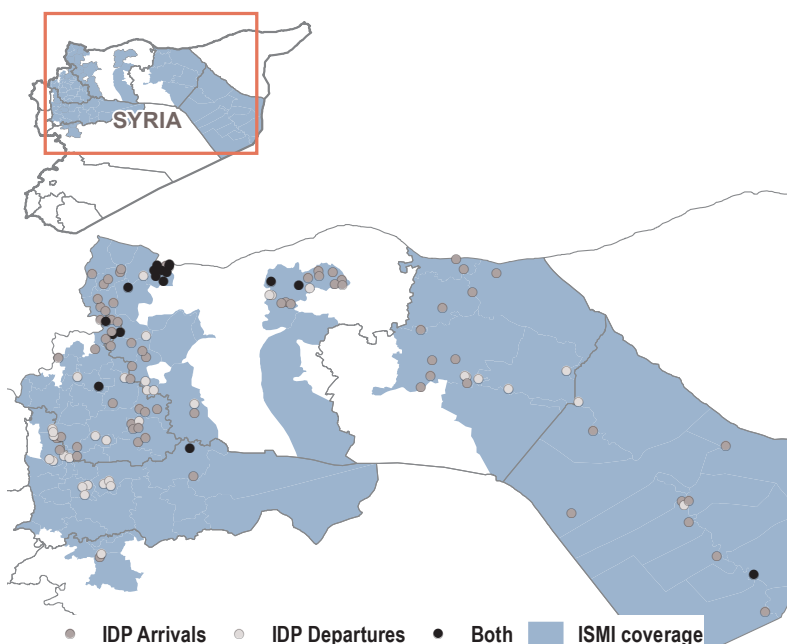


Table 1: Recorded IDP arrivals to ISMI-covered communities, by governorate, 20-26 March 2017

		IDP ARRIVALS						Last week	Week before
		Reported arrivals (# IDPs)	Communities with largest IDP arrivals (# IDPs)		Most common origins ³ of IDP arrivals (# IDPs)		Change to last week	Reported arrivals (# IDPs)	Reported arrivals (# IDPs)
GOVERNORATE	Idleb	7,314	Atma camp (1,397)	Qah (1,200)	Kafr Nabutha (760)	Lower Amiqa (517)	↑	2,014	1,785
	Aleppo	6,531	Salama (1,500)	Menbij (1,014)	Maskana – Onaiza (254)	Al-Khafsa (252)	↓	13,319	38,877
	Ar-Raqqa	1,913	Talet Elansar (805)	Tal Hammam (266)	Ar-Raqqa city (1,072)	Al-Thawrah (206)	↓	2,182	1,622
	Deir-ez-Zor	397	Al Mayadin (180)	Abu Kamal (50)	Raeqqet Samra (36)	Ar-Raqqa city (35)	↑	285	532
	Hama	354	Sehriyeh (300)	Tleihat (29)	Kafr Nabutha (222)	Tal Hawash (78)	↑	243	323
	Homs	10	Homs city (10)	NA	Dar Kabira (5)	Farhaniyeh (5)	↓	70	45

Table 2: Recorded IDP departures from ISMI-covered communities, by governorate, 20-26 March 2017

		IDP DEPARTURES						Last week	Week before
		Reported departures (# IDPs)	Communities with largest IDP departures (# IDPs)		Most common destinations of IDP departures (# IDPs) ⁴		Change to last week	Reported departures (# IDPs)	Reported departures (# IDPs)
GOVERNORATE	Hama	8,504	Madiq Castle (3,625)	Kafr Nabutha (1,500)	Atma (1,107)	Hama city (710)	↑	248	172
	Aleppo	4,302	Menbij (966)	A'zaz (875)	Al Bab (1,623)	Talhuthan (138)	↓	26,893	9,324
	Ar-Raqqa	3,960	Ar-Raqqa city (3,600)	Karama (180)	Jumeyyeh (420)	Ein Issa (180)	↓	4,635	1,426
	Idleb	1,585	Dana (474)	Tah (340)	Halfaya (754)	Jarablus (180)	↓	4,577	1,333
	Deir-ez-Zor	233	Jazaret Elbuhmeid (180)	Zbara (28)	Lower Jern Elasad (90)	Mohra (90)	↑	73	78
	Homs	10	Ghanto (10)	NA	NA	NA	↓	166	57

¹ UN OCHA, [Syria Crisis – Hama, 28 March 2017](#)

² UNHCR, [Syria Flash Update, 27 March 2017](#)

³ Location of origin refers to the most recent location from which IDPs have departed.

⁴ The ISMI weekly displacement summary tracks only displacements which occur inside Syria.

IDLEB GOVERNORATE

Recorded IDP arrivals

- 7,314 IDPs

% of arrivals from other governorates

- 84%

Most common shelter of newly arrived IDPs

- Camps (2,742 IDPs)
- Hosted accommodation (2,622 IDPs)

Recorded IDP departures

- 1,585 IDPs

% of departures to other governorates

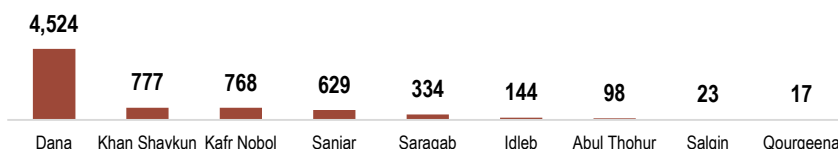
- 73%

Most common reasons for IDPs leaving Idleb communities

- Reduced conflict and improved safety and security in area of origin

In total, **7,314 IDPs arrived to ISMI-covered communities in Idleb** over the past week, most commonly to Dana sub-district, which was also the case in the two preceding weeks (Figures 1, 2). Arrivals generally originated from areas outside the governorate (84% of arrivals), most commonly from Madiq Castle (2,284), Muhradah (1,066) and other areas in Hama governorate (Figure 3). **Secondary displacement of 1,585 IDPs was also recorded**, almost half of the departing IDPs left to Halfaya in Hama governorate.

Figure 1: Reported arrivals to sub-district (# IDPs)



Map 1: Major displacements into ISMI-covered communities in Idleb governorate

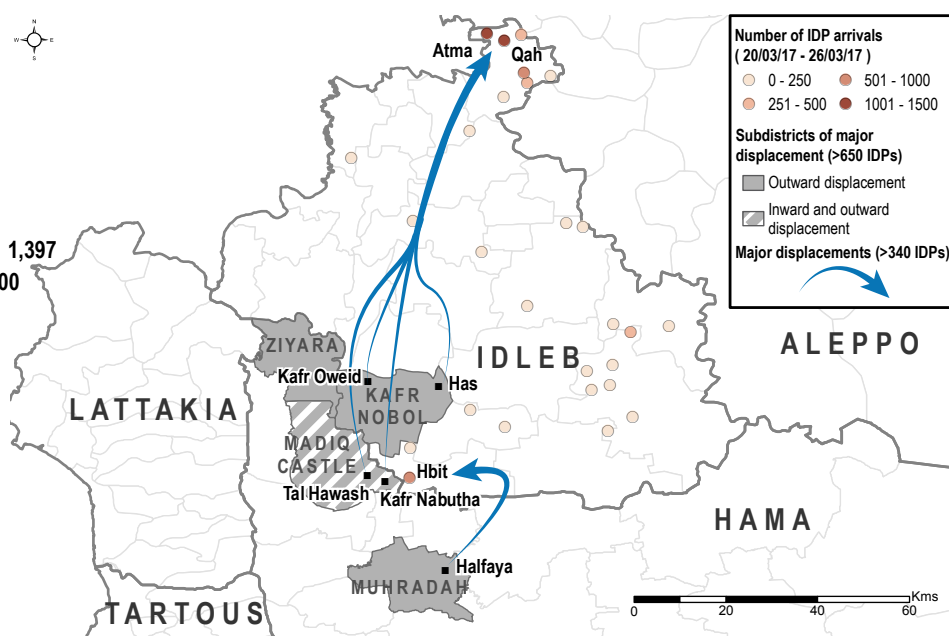


Figure 2: Five ISMI-covered communities receiving largest IDP arrivals (# IDP)

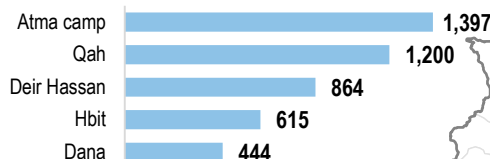
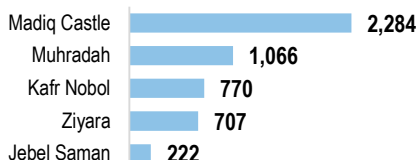


Figure 3: Five most common sub-districts of origin of arrivals³ (# IDP)



AR-RAQQA GOVERNORATE

Overall, **3,960 IDPs left** ISMI-covered communities in Ar-Raqqa governorate this week, the majority of them fleeing ongoing conflict in **Ar-Raqqa city (3,600 IDPs)**. Almost all departures remained within the governorate (97%), with **420 IDPs recorded travelling to Jurneyyeh and 180 to Ein Issa**. Simultaneously, **1,913 IDPs arrived to ISMI-covered communities**, more than half of which had been previously displaced to communities in Ar-Raqqa sub-district due to ongoing conflict in Ar-Raqqa (Figures 4, 5).

Figure 4: Reported arrivals to sub-districts (# IDPs)

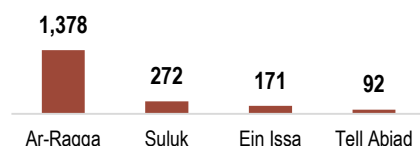


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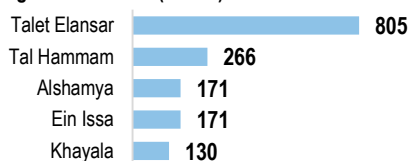
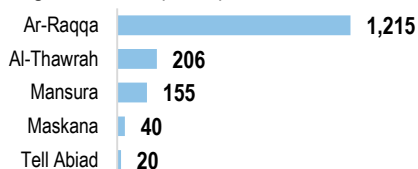


Figure 6: Five most common sub-districts of origin of arrivals³ (# IDPs)



Recorded IDP arrivals

- 1,913 IDPs

% of arrivals from other governorates

- 3%

Most common shelter of newly arrived IDPs

- Individual tents (1,268 IDPs)
- Hosted accommodation (294 IDPs)

Recorded IDP departures

- 3,960 IDPs

% of departures to other governorates

- 3%

Most common reasons for IDPs leaving Ar-Raqqa communities

- Reduced access to food and escalation of conflict

ALEPPO GOVERNORATE

Recorded IDP arrivals

- 6,531 IDPs

% of arrivals from other governorates

- 9%

Most common shelter of newly arrived IDPs

- Camps (1,874 IDPs)
- Hosted accommodation (1,271 IDPs)

Recorded IDP departures

- 4,302 IDPs

% of departures to other governorates

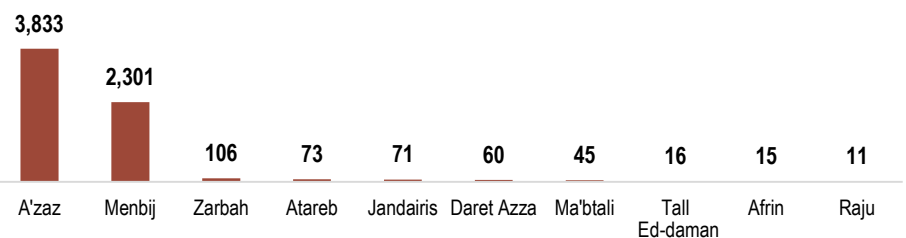
- 1%

Most common reasons for IDPs leaving Aleppo communities

- Improved safety and security and reduced conflict in area of origin

In the past week, **6,531 IDPs** were recorded arriving to communities in Aleppo governorate (Figures 7, 8). The majority of new arrivals originated from within the governorate (91%), with most recorded arrivals coming from the **conflict affected sub-districts of Al-Khafsah (545)** and **Dayr Hafir (356)** (Figure 9), close to Menbij. **Ongoing conflict affecting communities in Aleppo governorate led to the displacement of 4,302 IDPs leaving ISMI-covered communities in the governorate during the past week.**

Figure 7: Reported arrivals to sub-districts (# IDPs)



Map 2: Major displacement into ISMI-covered communities in Aleppo governorate

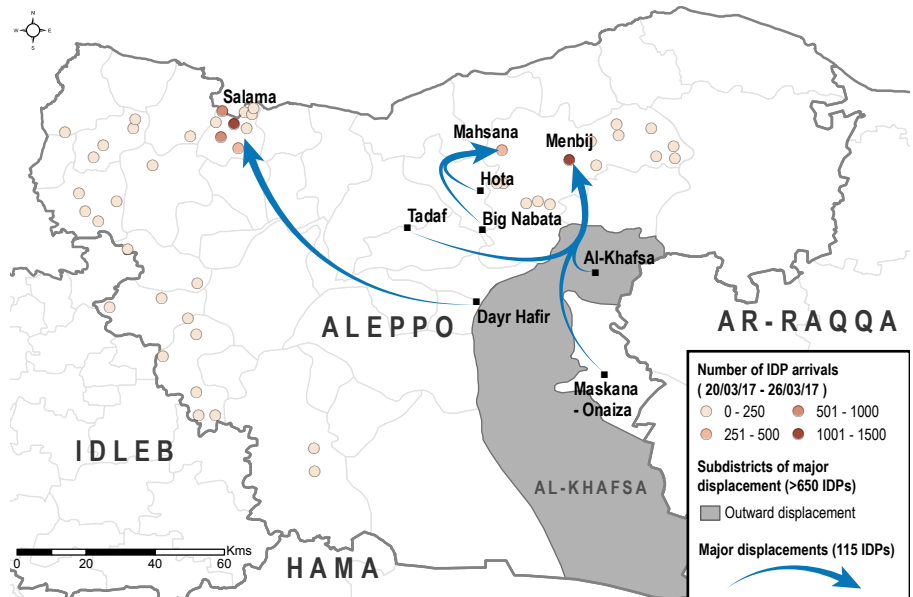


Figure 8: Five ISMI-covered communities receiving largest IDP arrivals (# IDPs)

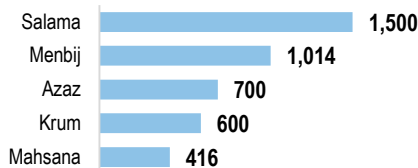
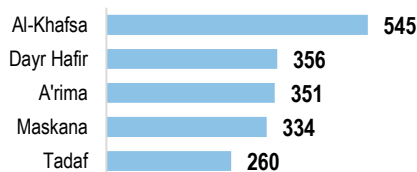


Figure 9: Most common sub-districts of origin of arrivals³ (# IDPs)



HAMA GOVERNORATE

Over the past week, an **escalation of conflict in western and northern Hama resulted in the secondary displacement of 8,504 IDPs**, two-thirds of whom travelled to Idlib and other governorates. In total, **1,107 IDPs travelled to Atma in northern Idlib**, while **710 IDPs were displaced to Hama city.**

In total, **354 IDPs were recorded arriving to ISMI-covered communities in Hama this week**; all originating from within the governorate, in Madiq Castle (300) and Suran (54) sub-districts (Figure 12).

Figure 10: Reported arrivals to sub-districts (# IDPs)

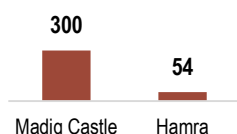


Figure 11: ISMI-covered communities receiving largest IDP arrivals (# IDPs)

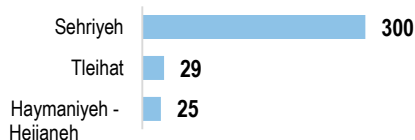
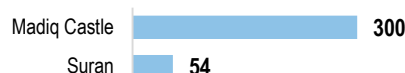


Figure 12: Sub-districts of origin of arrivals³ (# IDPs)



Recorded IDP arrivals

- 354 IDPs

% of arrivals from other governorates

- 0%

Most common shelter of newly arrived IDPs

- Rented/owned housing (27 IDPs)
- Unfinished buildings (11 IDPs)

Recorded IDP departures

- 8,504 IDPs

% of departures to other governorates

- 66%

Most common reasons for IDPs leaving Hama communities

- Escalation of conflict

DEIR-EZ-ZOR GOVERNORATE

Recorded IDP arrivals

- 397 IDPs

% of arrivals from other governorates

- 30%

Most common shelter of newly arrived IDPs

- Rented/owned housing (230 IDPs)
- Hosted accommodation (131 IDPs)

Recorded IDP departures

- 233 IDPs

% of departures to other governorates

- 77%

Most common reasons for IDPs leaving Deir-ez-Zor communities

- Safety and security situation in the community compared to elsewhere

A total of **397 IDPs arrived in ISMI-covered communities** in Deir-ez-Zor in the reporting period (Figures 13, 14). As was the case last week, most IDPs were displaced within the governorate, mostly from Ar-Raqqa sub-district (301) (Figure 15). The majority of new arrivals were recorded in Al Mayadin sub-district (216) and Abu Kamal (50).

Additionally, **233 IDPs faced secondary displacement** over the past week, with 90 IDPs leaving to the communities of Lower Jern Elaswad and Mohra, respectively. One third of IDP departures remained within the governorate while 77% travelled to other governorates.

Figure 13: Reported arrivals to sub-district (# IDPs)

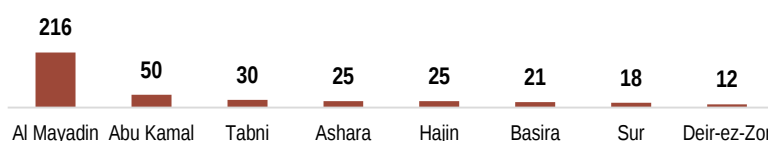


Figure 14: Five ISMI-covered communities receiving largest IDP arrivals (# IDPs)

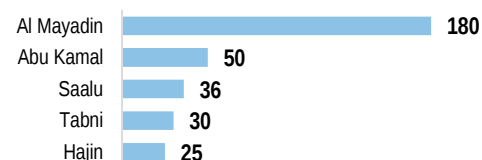
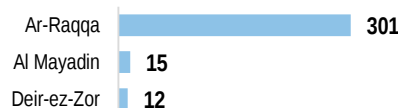


Figure 15: Five most common sub-districts of origin of arrivals³ (# IDPs)



HOMS GOVERNORATE

Over the past week, **10 IDPs arrived to** the ISMI-covered community of Hobub Elrih in Homs governorate, displaced from Homs and Talbiseh sub-districts (Figures 17, 18). Additionally, 10 IDPs faced secondary displacement this week though their destination was unknown⁴.

Figure 16: Reported arrivals to sub-district (# IDPs)

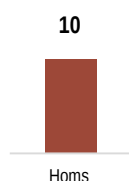


Figure 17: ISMI-covered communities receiving IDP arrivals (# IDPs)



Figure 18: Sub-district of origin of arrivals³ (# IDPs)



Recorded IDP arrivals

- 10 IDPs

% of arrivals from other governorates

- 0%

Most common shelter of newly arrived IDPs

- Hosted accommodation (5 IDPs)
- Unfinished buildings (5 IDPs)

Recorded IDP departures

- 10 IDPs

% of departures to other governorates

- NA

Most common reasons for IDPs leaving Homs communities

- Safety and security situation in the community compared to elsewhere

ABOUT ISMI & THIS FACTSHEET

The **IDP Situation Monitoring Initiative (ISMI)** is an initiative of the Camp Coordination and Camp Management (CCCM) Cluster, implemented by REACH with the support of Syria Relief Network (SRN) and cluster members.

Following a baseline assessment conducted between 23 October and 21 November 2016, weekly data collection cycles have been initiated to provide regular updates on IDP movements. Based on 1,183 communities assessed in the governorates of Aleppo, Ar-Raqqa, Deir-ez-Zor, Hama, Homs and Idlib during the baseline, this factsheet presents a summary of reported inward and outward movements of IDPs in the 7 days preceding data collection. **From 20-26 March 2017 such displacements were reported in 122 out of all ISMI-covered communities.**

Displacement was identified through an extensive key informant (KI) network, either through alert initiated by KIs or follow-up by enumerators. A range of 2-3 KIs were interviewed in each community, while collected information was further triangulated through other sources, including CCCM member data and humanitarian updates. This approach allows for regular updates on IDP movements at a community level across ISMI coverage areas. As movement updates are limited to areas covered by ISMI, there are displacements that are not reported on here.

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