

General Overview

Key Findings:

- A total of **28,366 IDP arrivals** were reported to **95 assessed communities** in Idleb governorate between 4 and 17 February 2018. The vast majority of these (88%) were reported in the first half of the coverage period.
- IDPs most commonly arrived to communities in **Dana (11,977), Idleb (3,039), Ariha (2,964), Salqin (2,563) and Bennsh (1,710)** sub-districts.
- The majority of IDPs were displaced from communities in **Saraqab (9,655), Ma'arrat An Nu'man (6,464), Abul Thohur (3,649), Daret Azza (1,243) and Kafr Zeita (1,123)** sub-districts.

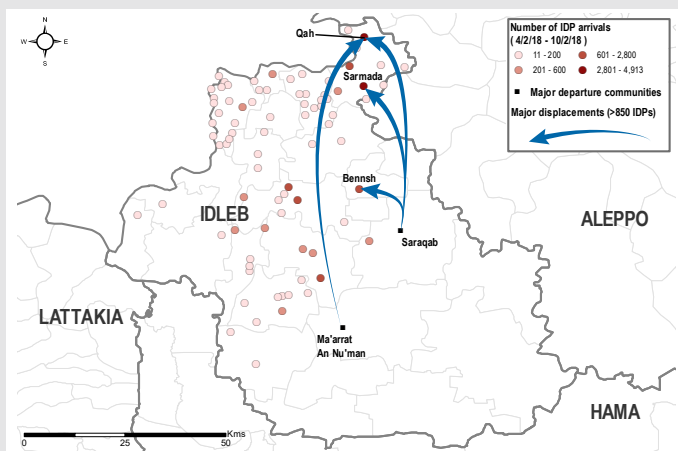
Major Developments

During the first half of the coverage period, violent clashes continued between armed opposition groups (AOGs) and Government of Syria (GoS) forces in the south-east of Idleb, in particular in Abul Thohur and Saraqab sub-districts. Moreover, communities further away from conflict lines, in particular in Ma'arrat An Nu'man, continued to be affected by air strikes. This resulted in continued displacement from numerous communities in the south towards the north of the governorate. Moreover, ongoing clashes in the west of Aleppo governorate resulted in continued displacement from these areas into northern Idleb governorate. This put additional pressure on reception centres in northern Idleb governorate. However, since 11 February the intensity of conflict between AOGs and GoS reduced significantly, which most likely contributed to the decrease in new displacements during the second half of the coverage period.¹

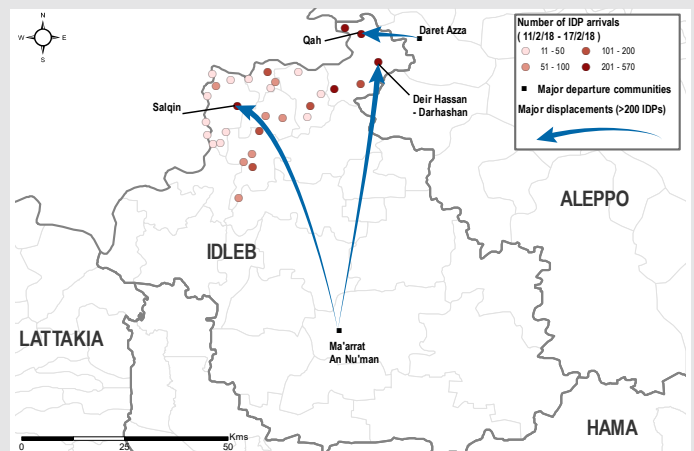
¹ UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs, [Turkey and Syria: Recent Developments in North-western Syria \(Idleb Governorate and Afrin District\)](#) February 2018

Major IDP Movements in Assessed Communities in Idleb Governorate

4 - 10 February 2018



11 - 17 February 2018



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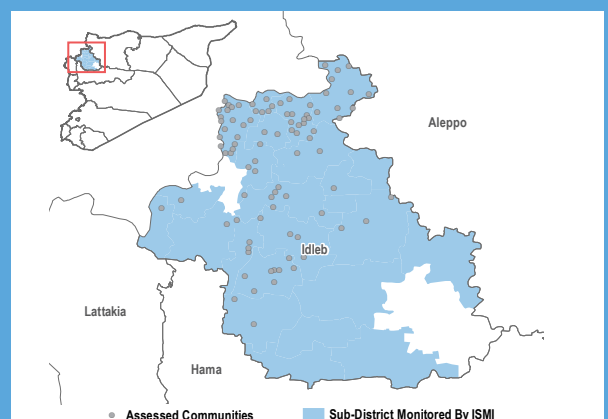
The IDP Situation Monitoring Initiative (ISMI) is an initiative of the Camp Coordination and Camp Management (CCCM) Cluster, implemented by REACH and supported by cluster members.

Following a baseline assessment conducted at the end of 2016, weekly/bi-weekly data collection cycles were initiated. In order to provide timely updates to member organisations of the CCCM Cluster, REACH also conducts ad hoc assessments of IDP movements to address immediate information gaps during large waves of displacement. This factsheet presents an overview of reported inward and outward movements of IDPs in Idleb governorate from 4 to 17 February 2018. Such displacements were reported in 95 communities in 17 sub-districts monitored by ISMI. Data was collected in two data collection cycles covering 7 days respectively. The coverage map in this section shows the sub-districts that were monitored for this ad hoc data collection, as well as the communities reporting movements.

Displacements are identified through an extensive key informant (KI) network, either from alerts initiated by KIs or from follow-up by enumerators. At least two KIs are interviewed in each assessed community, and collected information is further triangulated through other sources, including CCCM member data and humanitarian updates. This approach allows for regular updates on IDP movements at the community level across sub-districts monitored by ISMI in northwest Syria.

Disclaimer: The data used for this product was collected, triangulated and verified based on submissions from ISMI's network and select CCCM cluster members following the ISMI methodology. Due to differences in methodology and coverage, figures presented in this output may differ from official CCCM Cluster or UNHCR data. All data is for humanitarian use only.

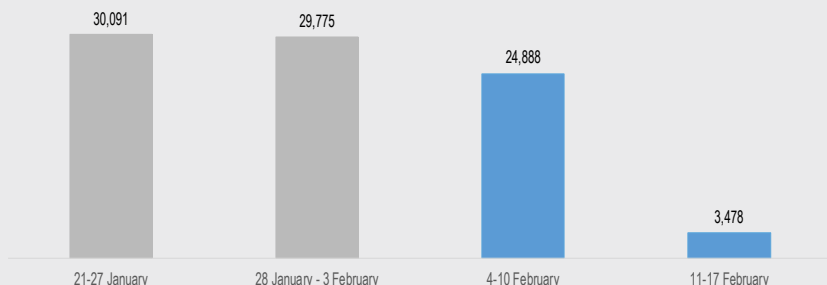
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IDP Arrival Patterns

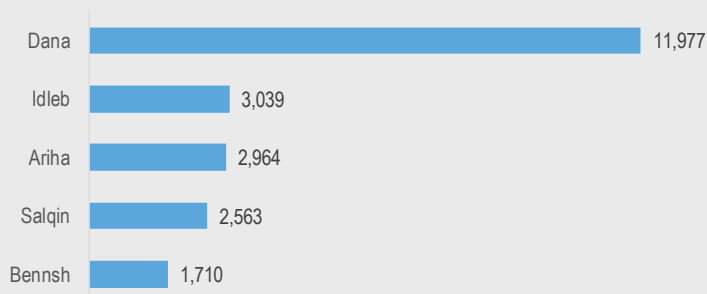
Total number of IDP arrivals



The number of IDP arrivals to assessed communities in Idleb governorate decreased by 86% between the first and second half of the coverage period. From 4 to 10 February, 24,888 arrivals were reported to 86 assessed communities in Idleb governorate. However the number of arrivals decreased significantly in the second week of the data collection period, with 3,478 individuals arriving to 32 assessed communities.

This is indicative of a wider trend of decreased arrivals since the end of January. Between 21 January and 3 February, 59,866 arrivals were reported to 155 assessed communities in Idleb governorate. However, the number of IDPs declined to 28,366 arrivals to 95 assessed communities between 4 and 17 February.

Sub-districts reporting largest numbers of arrivals

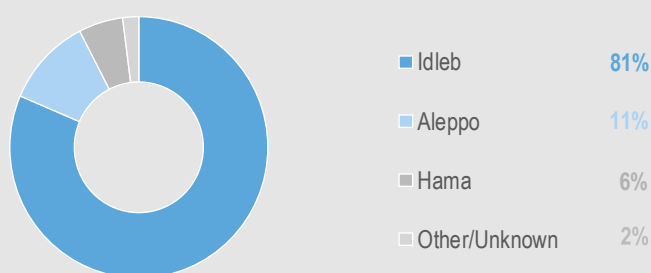


IDPs most commonly arrived to communities in Dana (11,977), Idleb (3,039), Ariha (2,964), Salqin (2,563) and Bennsh (1,710) sub-districts in central and northern Idleb. At the community level, the largest number of IDP arrivals were reported to Qah (5,484), Sarmada (2,964), Bennsh (1,710), Sarja (1,653) and Bab El Hawa (1,613).

This represents a continued trend of IDPs arriving to communities in north-west Idleb governorate, which are further away from conflict lines and may offer improved security.

IDP Displacement Patterns

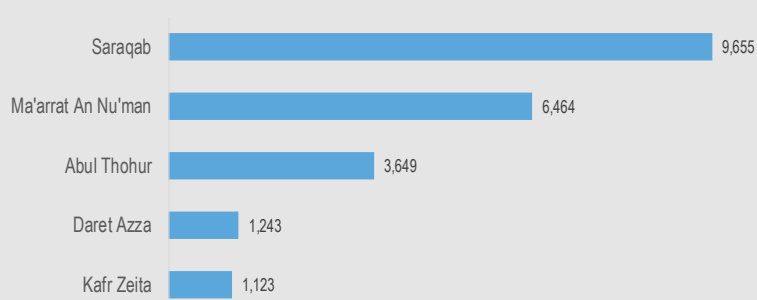
Last governorates of departure of arrivals



81% of IDPs who arrived to assessed communities in Idleb governorate during the coverage period departed from other communities within the governorate (22,964). The majority of these arrivals (21,042) were reported in the first week of the coverage period.

Moreover, large numbers of IDPs also arrived from Aleppo governorate (3,103), in particular from Daret Azza, and from Hama governorate (1,567), most commonly from Kafr Zeita sub-district (1,123).

Most common last sub-district of departure of arrivals



IDPs most commonly arrived from Saraqab (9,655), Ma'arrat An Nu'man (6,464) and Abul Thohur (3,649) sub-districts in Idleb as their last place of departure. However, the number of arrivals from these sub-districts was considerably lower than the previous coverage period. IDPs also arrived from Daret Azza (1,243) sub-district in Aleppo governorate and from Kafr Zeita (1,123) sub-district in Hama governorate.

Meanwhile, 38,709 departures were reported from assessed communities within the coverage period. The majority of these were primary displacements from Saraqab between 4 and 10 February.