

Al-Hasakeh governorate, Syria August 2022



# **Background and Methodology**

Washokani is informal internally displaced person (IDP) camp in Al-Hasakeh governorate. This profile provides an overview of humanitarian conditions in Washokani camp. Primary data was collected between 17 and 28 August 2022 through a representative household survey. The assessment included 399 households who were randomly sampled to achieve a 95% confidence level and 10% margin of error based on population figures provided by camp management. Key informant (KI) interviews with camp managers, held in August 2022, were used to support and triangulate the household survey findings.

# Camp Overview 1

# **Demographics**

		🕇 Men		Women 🛊
Number of individuals:	16,322	NA	60+	NA
Number of households:	2,360	NA	18-59	NA
Number of shelters:	1,988	NA	5-17	NA
First arrivals:	December 2019		0-4	
Camp area:	0.67 km <sup>2</sup>	NA	0-4	NA

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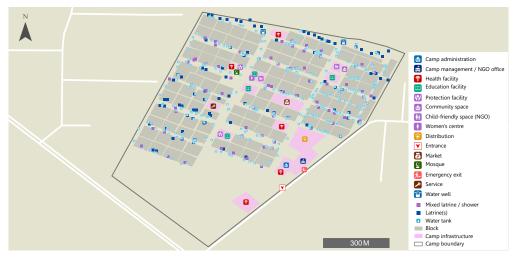
**Location Map** 

### Vulnerable groups

## Percentage of HHs by vulnerable group:4

Female-headed households	10%	Chronically ill persons	7%
Single parents/caregivers	9%	HH members with disability	4%
Pregnant/lactating women	8%	Persons with serious injury	1%

# **Camp Map**



Camp mapping conducted in August 2022. Detailed infrastructure map available on REACH Resource Centre.

Sectoral I	Minimum Standards <sup>2</sup>	Target	Result	Achievement
Shelter	Average number of individuals per shelter Average covered living space per person Average camp area per person	max 4.6 min 3.5 m <sup>2</sup> min 45 m <sup>2</sup>	7 2.9 m² 41.1 m²	•
Health	% of 0-5 year olds who have received polio vaccinations Presence of health services within the camp	100% Yes	72% 3	•
Protection	% of households reporting safety/security issues in past two weeks	0%	88%	•
Food	% of households receiving assistance in the 30 days prior to data collection % of households with acceptable food consumption score (FCS) <sup>3</sup>	100% 100%	100% 64%	•
Education	% of children aged 6-17 accessing education services	100%	13%	•
WASH	Persons per latrine Persons per shower Frequency of solid waste disposal	max. 20 max. 20 min. twice weekly	30.5 59.6 Every_day	•

<sup>1.</sup> As reported by the camp manager in KI interview, household demographics can be found: <a href="https://impact-initiatives.shinyapps.io/REACH\_SYR\_HTML\_NES\_CampProfiles\_August2022/">https://impact-initiatives.shinyapps.io/REACH\_SYR\_HTML\_NES\_CampProfiles\_August2022/</a>

<sup>2.</sup> Targets based on Sphere and humanitarian minimum standards. 

Nimimum standard met

0-49% of minimum standard met Sphere Handbook, Humanitarian Charter and Minimum Standards in Humanitarian Response, 2018 UNHCR Emergency Handbook,

<sup>3.</sup> FCS measures households' current food consumption status based on the number of days per week a household is able to eat items from nine standard food groups, weighted for their nutritional value, https://resources.vam.wfp.org/data-analysis/guantitative/food-security/food-

<sup>4.</sup> Self-reported by households and not verified through medical records.





### FOOD SECURITY

## **Food consumption**

Percentage of households by FCS category:1



Acceptable Borderline Poor

64% 28% 8%



Vitamin A

### **Nutrition**

Percentage of households consuming iron, protein and vitamin A-rich foods by frequency:2

**Protein** Iron

Daily 0% Sometimes 47%

Never 53%

Sometimes 41% Never 4%

Sometimes 52% Never 4%

# **Dietary diversity**

Percentage of households **Household Dietary** Diversity score level:3

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### **Food security**

Top three reported negative consumption-based coping strategies:

Rely on less preferred and less expensive foods

38% Reduce number of meals eaten in a day Limit portion size at mealtime

# Most commonly reported main sources of food:4,5



From markets in the camp 100% Food distributions 96%

From local markets outside the camp 34%

### **Food distributions**

95% of households had received a food basket, bread distribution, cash, or vouchers in the 30 days prior to data collection.

% of households by reported type of food assistance received:5



Bread distribution Food basket(s) Voucher (for food)

100% 95% 6%

Top three food items households would like to receive more of:6



89% Ghee/vegetable oil 69% Sugar 41% Rice

# **★ SHELTER AND NON-FOOD ITEMS (NFIs)**



**Tent status** 

Average number of people estimated per household8: 7 Average number of shelters estimated per household: 1 ↑ Average number of people estimated per shelter: 7 Estimated occupation rate of the shelters in the camp: 100%

### **Shelter adequacy**

Reported shelter adequacy issues:8



**Present needs: Expected future needs:** New\_tents Clothing Mattresses\_sleeping\_mats Plastic sheeting Cooking fuel

Top three most commonly reported shelter item needs:6

Additional tents Plastic sheeting

New tents

**59%** 57%

39%

# Flood susceptibility



Camp management reported that 0% of tents are prone to flooding, and that some drainage channels between shelters were available.

### Sources of light

Most commonly reported sources of light inside shelters:4

In assessed households, 27% of tents were in new condition.<sup>7</sup>

Light powered by public electricity network

> Light powered by shared camp generator (households contribute to running costs) Light powered by solar panels

94% 84%

**15%** 

8% of respondents reported they had access to a communal or private kitchen, while 92% of households used improvised cooking facilities.

Households reported hazards in their block such as uncovered pits (20%) and electricity hazards (27%).

FCS measures households' current food consumption status based on the number of days per week a household is able to eat items from nine standard food groups, weighted for their nutritional value.
 Households were asked to report the number of days per week nutrient-rich food groups were consumed, from which nutrient consumption frequencies were derived. World Food Programme (2015) Food Consumption Score Nutritional Quality Analysis - Technical Guidance Note.
 Households were asked to report the number of days per week they consume foods in different food groups, which was used to derive a Household Dietary Diversity score. UN Food and Agriculture Organisation (2011) Guidelines for Measuring Household and Individual Dietary Diversity.

<sup>4.</sup> Households could select as many options as applied, meaning the sum of percentages may exceed

<sup>5.</sup> In the 30 days prior to data collection.

Households could select up to three options.
 Enumerators were asked to observe the state of t
 As reported by the camp manager in KI interview. state of the tent and record its condition.





#### **NFI** needs

Top three reported anticipated NFI needs for the three months following data collection:1



Washing powder (for clothes)	30%	
Detergent (for dishes)	29%	
Cool box	28%	

# **Fire safety**



Camp management reported that fire\_extinguisher\_ per\_block were available and that actors in the camp informed residents with information on fire safety in the three months prior to data collection.

77% of households reported that they had received information about fire safety, 6% of which reported comprehension difficulties of the information received. 90% reported knowing of a fire point in their block.

# **LIVELIHOODS**

#### **Household income**

Average monthly household income:<sup>2</sup> 454,223 SYP (108 USD)<sup>3</sup>

Top three reported primary income sources:1,4



	Borrowed	64%	
Selling assistance item	s received	55%	
Employment wi	ithin camp	40%	
(excluding cash	-for-work)		

Most commonly reported employment sectors: 1,2 Inside camp Outside camp

Daily labour	66%	56%
Employment in private business	37%	28%
Other (please specify)	0%	15%

### Household debt

83% of households reported that they borrowed money in the 30 days prior to data collection; on average, these households had a debt load amounting to 585,534 SYP (139 USD).3

Top three reported reasons for taking on debt:1,5

Food	95%	
Healthcare	42%	
Clothing or non-food items (NFI)	17%	

Top reported creditors:1,5

Friends or relatives	85%	
Shopkeeper	<b>72</b> %	

# Household expenditure

Average monthly household **362,670 SYP (86 USD)**<sup>3</sup> expenditure:

Top th

p three reported expenditure categories:1,4		
Food	100%	
Communication (e.g. phone, internet)	85%	
Electricity	83%	

### **Coping strategies**

Top three reported livelihoods-related coping strategies:1,2

Borrowed money	64%
Sold some assistance items received	55%
Reduced spending on non-food expenditures, such as health or education	24%

55% of households reportedly sold assistance items with Food assistance followed by Hygiene items being the most commonly sold. The main reason households reported for selling assistance were I needed cash for more urgent spending (60%) and The item/ assistance is useful, but not the first priority (35%).

The most commonly sold food items were Lentils (79%), Chickpeas (68%) and Pasta (34%).

Most commonly reported ways money from sales was used:

Spent the money on food	95%	
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Spent the money on transportation	30%	
Spent the money on health expenses	23%	

Households could select up to three options.
 In the 30 days prior to data collection.
 The effective exchange rate for Northeast Syria was reported to be 4,220 Syrian Pounds to the dollar in August 2022 (Reach Initiative, NES Marke Monitoring Exercise 22-August).

could select as many options as applied 5. Findings refer to the subset of households reporting on the given information or issue.





# WATER, SANITATION AND HYGIENE (WASH)

#### Water



Public tap/standpipe was the primary source of water at the time of data collection. The public tap/standpipe was reportedly used by 100% of households for drinking

No issues

1% of households reported they spent at least two consecutive days without access to drinking water over the two weeks prior to data collection.

### % of households by reported drinking water issues:1



Water tasted/smelled/looked bad People got sick after drinking

4% **74%** 17%

69% of households reported that their drinking water was treated over the two weeks prior to data collection. It was treated at the source and Household filtered the water were the most commonly used methods, accounting for 50% and 10%, respectively.

79% of households reportedly used negative strategies to cope with lack of water in the two weeks prior to data collection.

### Most commonly reported negative strategies by households: 1

- Modified hygiene practices (bathe less, etc) (44%)
- Relied on previoulsy stored water (35%)
- Collected water outside of camp in nearby urban area

15% of households reported having at least one member suffering from diarrhoea2.

### Hygiene

98% of households reportedly didn't have access to a private handwashing facility.

91% of households reported having hand/body soap available at the time of data collection.

**82%** of households were able to access all assessed hygiene items in the two weeks prior to data collection.<sup>3</sup> The most commonly inaccessible items included Washing powder (1kg), and Shampoo (adults). Hygiene items were most commonly inaccessible because households Couldn't afford it.

#### **Latrines**



Number of communal latrines:4 535

Number of household latrines:4

## Types of defecation facilities used:

· Household: 100% · Communal:

 Open defecation 0%

5% of households reported that some members could not access latrines, with Boys (0-17) (4%) and Girls (0-17) (4%) being most frequently reported by households.

## Communal latrine characteristics, by % of households reporting<sup>5</sup>



### % of households by reported level of cleanliness in the communal latrines

2% Very clean **57%** Mostly clean 38% Somewhat unclean 3% Very unclean



### Showers



Number of communal showers:4 Number of household showers:4

274

Shower/bathing place usage:6 available1 used · Household: 0% 0% 0% · Communal: 0% 100% 94% • Bathing in shelter:

### Waste disposal7



Primary waste disposal system: Garbage\_collection\_

**Disposal location:** A garbage dump located Tweeneh Sewage system: desludging

The primary issue with garbage reported by households was Insufficient garbage bags within household (16% of households).

<sup>1.</sup> Households could select as many options as applied, meaning the sum of percentages may exceed

<sup>100%.

2.</sup> Self-reported by households and not verified through medical records.

3.The assessed hygiene items included: hand/body soap, sanitary pads, disposable diapers, washing powder, jerry cans/buckets, toothbrushes (for adults and children), toothpaste (for adults and children), shampoo (for adults and babies), cleaning liquid (for house), detergent for dishes, plastic garbage bags, washing lines, nail clippers, combs, and towels.

<sup>4.</sup> Communal latrines and showers are shared by more than one household. Household latrines and showers are used only by one household. This may be an informal designation that is not officially enforced.

Excluding households who answered 'not sure'.

A shower is defined as a designated place to shower as opposed to bathing in shelter (i.e using a bucket).
7. As reported by the camp manager in KI interview.





# ੇ HEALTH



Number of healthcare facilities in camp: 3 Types of facilities: NGO clinic

Available services at the accessible health centres:

	In camp	Outside camp
Outpatient department:	NA	YES
Reproductive health:	NA	YES
Emergency:	NA	YES
Minor surgery:	NA	YES
X-Ray:	NA	YES
Lab services:	NA	YES

44% of households reported that health-related assistance was not meeting their minimum health needs. Households' most commonly reported health needs were Maternal health services (56%) and Chronic diseases treatment (53)%.1

Of the 54% of households who required treatment in the 30 days prior to data collection, 68% reportedly faced barriers to accessing medical care.

Most commonly reported barriers to accessing medical care:2

- Unaffordability of health services (92%)
- High transportation costs to health facilities (74%)
- Lack of medicines at the health facilities (74%)

Households reporting that a member had given birth since living in the camp:



Of the 51% reporting a birth in their household, 91% reported that the women delivered In a health facility.

18% of households had at least one person with a respiratory illnesses; and 0% of households reported at least one member with leishmaniasis in the two weeks prior to data collection.<sup>2</sup>

## Vulnerable groups

### Households reporting members in the following categories:3

28% Person with chronic illness8 Person with serious injury/disease (requires medical attention) Pregnant or lactating woman

Of the 28% of households with a member living with a chronic disease, 0% reported that required medicine was not available, 62% reported that they could not afford the required medicine.

4% of household heads were reportedly living with a disability.<sup>3,4,5</sup>

92% of households with a pregnant or lactating woman, or with a woman who gave birth while living in the camp had reportedly been able to access obsteric or antenatal care.

#### Children and infant health

72% of children under five years old were reportedly vaccinated against polio. 85% of children under two years old had reportedly received the DTP vaccine and 72% the MMR vaccine.

Immunization services for childen was reported by 20% of households as a priority health need.

The camp management reported that infant nutrition items had not been distributed in the 30 days prior to data collection. The following nutrition activities have reportedly been undertaken:6

	Screening and referral for malnutrition:	YES
	Treatment for moderate-acute malnutrition:	YES
	Treatment for severe-acute malnutrition:	NO
	Micronutrient supplements:	NO
	Blanket supplementary feeding program:	NO
	Promotion of breastfeeding:	NO

# 帶 COVID-19

## Response infrastructure<sup>6</sup>

Isolation area available: No Isolation area functional: Sanitation facilities in isolation area: NA Main issues with isolation area: No Sufficient handwashing facilities in camp:

75% of households reportedly experienced difficulties in obtaining hand/body soap.

#### Related main difficulties included:1

Soap was too expensive 61% Soap was distributed infrequently 24% No soap has been distributed

## % of households by reported availability of functioning hand-washing facilities in communal latrines:

94% None Some 4% 2%

### Prevention measures

Yes\_all Camp staff training: None Temperature check for people entering: No Quarantine for new arrivals: Sanitation facilities in quarantine area: Quarantine area functional: Main issues with isolation area:

Camp management reported that soap cleaning products water face\_masks were distributed to the population. When asked if there have been any modifications on aid distributions, camp management reported that aid distributions were modified to block\_ level\_distribution.

Top measures taken by camp management in response to the pandemic as reported by households:6

No measures were inforced in the past 30 days Changed distribution procedures 22% Distributed hygiene materials (soap, 20% disinfectant, masks, etc.)

Top measures reportedly taken by households in response to the pandemic:6

40% Nothing 33% Washed hands more regularly 32% Stayed at home as much as possible

<sup>1.</sup>Findings refer to the subset of households reporting on the given information or issue.
2.Households could select as many options as applied, meaning the sum of percentages may exceed 100%.
3. Self-reported by households and not verified through medical records.
4.Respondent was asked the Washington Group (WGO) Short Set Questions personally and as recommended by the WG, the disability 3 calculations were applied to determine living with a disability.
5. The household heads were asked about whether they were living with the given difficulty (seeing, hearing, walking, concentrating, self-care and communicating).
6. As reported by the camp manager in KI interview
7. Respiratory\_illness, Malnutrition, Psycological\_illness, Polio, Epilepsy, Diabetes, or Other serious or chronic illness disease





# 3→ MOVEMENT

Top three household areas of origin:1

	Country	Governorate	Sub-district	
	Syria	Al-Hasakeh	Ras Al Ain	92%
A	Syria	Al-Hasakeh	Al-Hasakeh	8%
•	Syria	N/A	N/A	

# Movements of individuals reported in the 30 days prior to the assessment:1

New arrivals Departures

On average, households in the camp had been displaced 2 times before arriving to this camp, and 100% of households in the camp had been displaced longer than one year.

# Households planning to leave the camp:



Within 1 year	0%
After more than 1 year	5%
Not planning to leave	94%



94% of households had no intention to leave the camp, mainly because Waiting for area of origin to be safe (79%), The camp was safe (12%) and There were food distributions in the camp (9%).

The main reasons for the 5% of households with intentions to leave were Access to humanitarian assistance in the camp was insufficient (83%) and Lack of access to income and employment opportunities in the camp (83%).

# **PROTECTION**

#### **Protection concerns**



✓ 88% of households reported being aware of safety and security issues in the camp during the two weeks prior to the assessment.

### The most commonly reported security concerns were:

- Theft (76%)
- Danger from snakes, scorpions, mice (62%)

32% of households reported at least one member suffering from psychosocial distress.2

16% of households with children aged 3-17 reported that at least one child had exhibited changes in behaviour<sup>3</sup> in the two weeks prior to data collection.

### Freedom of movement



Camp management reported that all residents who needed to leave the camp temporarily could do so at the time of data collection. 11% of households reported to be able to leave without disclosing the medical reason for leaving.

Most commonly reported barriers among the 22% households reporting to have experienced barriers when trying to leave the camp in the two weeks prior to data collection

- Transportation options available but too expensive (21%)
- Insufficient transportation (10%)
- Safety/security situation (1%)

At the time of data collection, no interventions were addressing the needs of older persons or persons with disabilities.1

#### **Documentation**



3% of households reported having at least one married person who was not in possession of their marriage certificate.

12% of households with children below the age of 17 reported that at least one child did not have any birth registration documentation.

#### Gender-based violence

Households reporting knowing about any designated space for women and girls in the site:



76% Yes 24% Nο

Of the 76% of households who know about a designated women and girls space, 35% reported that a girl or woman from their household attended one in the 30 days prior to data collection.

4% men and boys reportedly avoided camp areas for safety and security reasons, 75% of whom avoided Outskirts of camp most commonly. 5% of women and girls, reportedly avoided camp areas, 80% of whom avoided Outskirts of camp most commonly.

# **Child protection**

**30%** of households reported gender-based protection issues with Early marriage (girls below 18 years old) (26%) and Denial of resources, opportunities, or services (3%) being the most commonly reported.

Households reporting knowing about any child-friendly space in the site:



86% Yes 14%

Of the 86% of households who know about any child-friendly spaces, 37% reported that a child from their household attended one in the 30 days prior to data collection.

<sup>1.</sup> As reported by the camp manager in KI interview.

As reported by households themselves. Assessed symptoms included: persistent headaches, sleeplessness, and more aggressive behaviour than normal towards children or other household members.

<sup>3.</sup> Changes in sleeping patterns, interactions with peers, attentiveness, or interest in other 4. Self-reported by households and not verified through medical records.





Households reporting the presence of child protection concerns within the camp (in the two weeks prior to data collection):

Yes 40% 60% No

Of the 40% of households who reported child protection concerns, 32% identified Child labour and 23% Early marriage (below 18 years

82% of households reported that they were aware of child labour occuring among children under the age of 11, most commonly reporting Transporting people or goods (48%) and Domestic labour (39%).1,2

Of the households who reported Child labour among the child protection incidents they were aware of occurring within the camp in the 30 days prior data collection, 100% were identified as child labour occuring for boys and 70% occuring among girls.

Most commonly reported types of child labour by gender:1,2

**Boys (100%)** 

**Girls (70%)** 

Transporting people or

76% Domestic labour

48%

Factory work

33% Agriculture

Present committees reported by camp management KI:

15%

# **CAMP COORDINATION AND CAMP MANAGEMENT**

## **Camp management and committees**

13% of households reported that they did not know who manages the camp, and 47% reported being not sure.

The camp managers reportedly with a Yes when asked if complaint mechanism exist. 92% of households reported knowing of a complaints box in the camp. 71% of households reported that they knew who to contact to raise issues or concerns.

# Top three reported sources of information about services:3



**Local Authorities** 48% Word of mouth 19% Community leaders

# Top three reported information needs:3

Camp management

Women's committee

WASH committee

Health committee



How to find job opportunities Information about returning to area of origin

40%

88%

Youth committee

committee

Maintenance

Distribution committee

30%

# **EDUCATION**



At the time of data collection, there was 2 educational facility in the camp4.

12-14 and 15-17 Age groups:

Service providers: Ras Al-Ain School, Ras Al-Ain School

Certification availability for Yes, Yes each educational facility:

### Available WASH facilities in educational facilities4

.. Latrines Yes (Yes)5 Handwashing facilities: Yes Safe drinking water:

# Proportion of children attending education, compared to the total number of girls & boys in the household

Girls (15%)		Age	Boys (11%)
4%	7%	15-17	0% 0%
0%	16%	12-14	9% 0%
0%	15%	6-11	15% 0%
0%	6%	I 3-5 ■	10% 0%
	Inside camp	Outside can	пр

## **About REACH's COVID-19 response**

As an initiative deployed in many vulnerable and crisis-affected countries, REACH is deeply concerned by the devastating impact the COVID-19 pandemic may have on the millions of affected people we seek to serve. REACH is currently working with Cash Working Groups and partners to scale up its programming in response to this pandemic, with the goal of identifying practical ways to inform humanitarian responses in the countries where we operate. Updates regarding REACH's response to COVID-19 can be found in a devoted thread on the REACH website. Contact geneva@impact-initiatives.org for further information.

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   Households could select up to three options.

# School-aged children (6-17 years old)

How to access assistance

13% of school-aged children in the households were reported to receive education.

The most commonly reported barriers to access education for these households were:1,2



- Schools closed/educational services suspended due to summer holiday (77%)
- Child did not want to attend (12%)
- Education was not considered important (12%)

### Early childhood development (3-5 years old)

8% of 3-5 year old children in the households reportedly received early childhood education.

### Most commonly reported barriers to early childhood education:1,2



- Schools closed/educational services suspended due to summer holiday (44%)
- Child did not want to attend (29%)
- Education was not considered important (21%)

#### **About REACH Initiative**

REACH Initiative facilitates the development of information tools and products that enhance the capacity of aid actors to make evidence-based decisions in emergency, recovery and development contexts. The methodologies used by REACH include primary data collection and in-depth analysis, and all activities are conducted through inter-agency aid coordination mechanisms. REACH is a joint initiative of IMPACT Initiatives, ACTED and the United Nations Institute for Training and Research - Operational Satellite Applications Programme (UNITAR-UNOSAT).

- 4. As reported by the camp manager in KI interview. 5. Yes Segregated, No if not

