

Individuals reached	831,430	284,206	1,666,923	2,782,559	Funding secured (USD)	40,000,000	14,800,000	42,900,000	97,700,000
	Syria	Northeast Syria	Northwest Syria	Total reach		Syria	Northeast Syria	Northwest Syria	Total funding

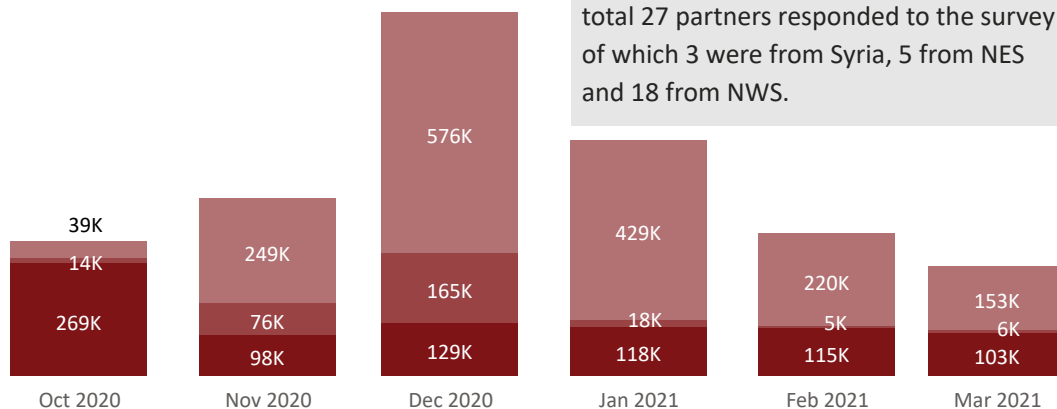
Highlights across Syria

For the 2020/21 winter response, partners reached 2.8M individuals (almost 90% of the target) between October* 2020 and March 2021. The gap is a result of a funding deficit as only 80% of the funding was secured and the continuously high and unpredictable operational costs due to the depreciation of the Syrian Pound during the time of response. Most partners distributed the winter response on time, yet delays happened due to late funding and COVID-19 measures, such as lock downs, smaller distribution sites and social distancing. Mentioned by many partners, cash distributed for winter support was often used to cover other needs, such as food, health care and medicine, and debt payments, often leaving little left for winter needs.

*Syria hub partners started their response in September 2020, however, the first month was reported together with the October 2020 data.

Individuals reached per month, by hub

● Syria ● Northeast Syria ● Northwest Syria



Methodology

The PDM analysis is based on a survey conducted by the WoS SNFI Sector with its partners following the winter response. In total 27 partners responded to the survey of which 3 were from Syria, 5 from NES and 18 from NWS.

PDM findings in Syria

"One of the best practices that should continue is the timely planning that was reflected in better implementation period as the **distribution started just before the winter season.**"

"The **hyperinflation and depreciation of the national currency** had negative effects on the procurement process"

Two-thirds of the winter response was reportedly delivered **on time.**

"Most of the families stated that regardless of the type of assistance, they would **prefer to receive a combination of in-kind and cash assistance.** Families would use the winter cash assistance to spend it mainly for heating material, food and health and medical expenses."

PDM findings in Northeast Syria

Some organizations in Northeast Syria faced **access issues**, particularly in al-Hasakeh governorate.

"Most of the respondents reported their **inability to meet winter needs** as they spent all [cash for winter] money on non-winter items and the winter items they needed were still unaffordable despite the extra money received."

60% of the winter response was reportedly delivered **on time.**

"Families received **one [winter] kit, no matter the household size**, which left some families short of items like mattresses and blankets."

"The response **covered basic [winter] needs, especially for new arrivals.**"

PDM findings in Northwest Syria

25% of the organizations reporting on the winter response mentioned **access issues** in Aleppo and Idleb governorates.

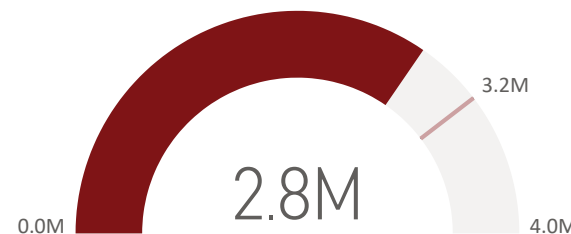
"Although HHs receive regular in-kind food assistance, they still **use part of winter cash assistance for buying food.**"

Over 78% of the winter response was reportedly delivered **on time.**

"Diesel **prices fluctuated** during the winter and distributors requested to amend the contracts."

"**COVID-19 mitigation measures impacted the distribution process** as the number of individuals reached on a daily basis was reduced to ensure the safety of the beneficiaries and staff."

Individuals reached vs targeted vs PiN



Funding secured vs requested (USD)

