

Syrian Arab Republic: Whole of Syria Shelter and NFI Sectors

WINTER ASSISTANCE (Season 2023-2024 as of 31 March 2024)

Individuals reached	Funding gap (USD)	Sector partners
1.31M	137.23M	48

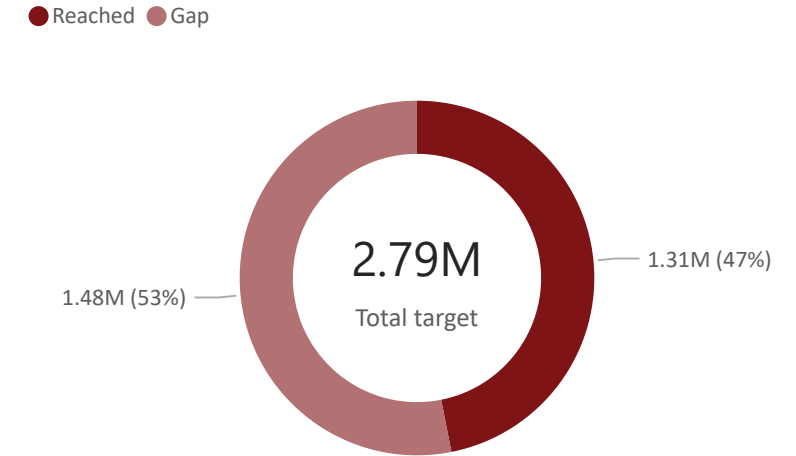


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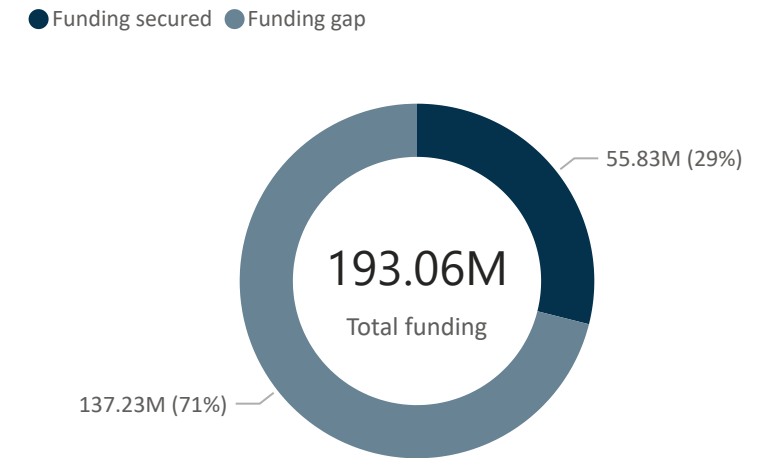
For the winter of 2023-24 [October through March] the shelter and NFI sectors estimate that 5.52 million people in Syria are in need of emergency lifesaving and life-sustaining winter specific assistance, representing an increase of 16% from 2022-23.

The key drivers of needs are: a. deterioration of economic conditions forcing large section of the population to be reliant of humanitarian aid; b continued hostilities in northeastern part of the country resulting in new displacements in Deir-ez-zor; c. damage to the power and fuel generation infrastructure in northeastern Syria which disrupted the availability of heating fuel, critical to meet the heating requirements in last resort sites and host community and d. adverse weather conditions at the end of year resulting in localised snowstorms and flooding.

Targets vs reach**



Funding status (USD)



The sector aims to target 2.79 million people with provision of winter NFIs through both ‘gift-in-kind’ and cash-based modalities aimed at supporting the most vulnerable population to mitigate against the effects of harsh winter conditions. The overall target, which is a reflection of the sector capacity is lower by 33% from the previous year as for the second year running the available resources are at historic low.

To account for decreased resources, the sector has adopted a rigorous prioritisation strategy aimed at targeting the most vulnerable households in underserved locations through ‘pre-winter reach’ concept i.e., households who have been provided with three or more priority winter items identified and deprioritised. Heating fuel, an essential requirement during the winter months is exempted from the deprioritisation exercise.

The 2023-24 response effectively began in September and at the end of the response **only 2.0 million** individuals 73% of the target were reached with the most essential lifesaving and sustaining winter NFIs which is 31 percentage points lower compared to the previous year. SNFI partners secured only 32% percent of the funding required to meet the targeted population, leaving a critical funding gap of nearly US\$ 130 million. Those prioritised for assistance were the most vulnerable residing in camps, collective shelters, informal settlements, and areas of high altitude and snowfall. By the end of March, Syria HCT, NWS XB, and NES partners were able to reach 282,386;1,494,617; and 266,963 individuals respectively.

The sector is raising critical concern and an alarm that the limited capacity to provide critical winter assistance is resulting in unsustainable negative coping strategies, which is severely affecting public health and environment.

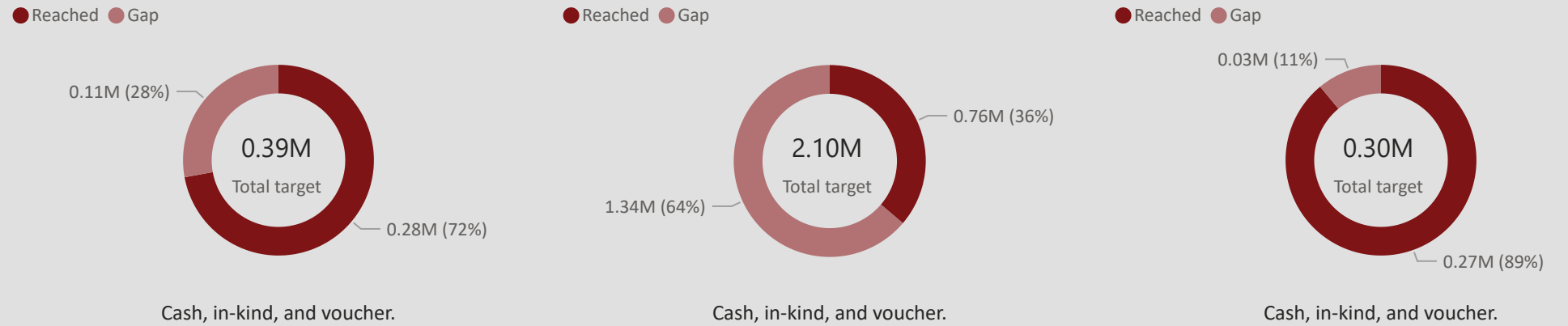
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Winter PiN	Gap to PiN	Gap to target
5.52M	4.21M	1.48M

	Syria	NWS XB	NES
Response	Winter NFIs Winter Clothing kit, high thermal blankets, extra plastic sheets, sleeping bag, winter jackets men and women, heaters/fuel, and rubber boots.	Winterized NFI kits, heating fuel, heating stoves, winter clothes, and winter cash assistance.	Mattresses, blankets, plastic sheets, heating fuel, jerry cans, heaters, winter clothes, children winter clothes, and carpets.
Coverage	All governorates with people in need.	Aleppo and Idleb.	Al-Hassakeh, Ar-Raqqa, and Deir-ez-Zor.
Individuals reached	281,180	760,719	265,177

Targets vs reach



Funding status (USD)

