

Northwest Syria Cash Working Group Earthquake Response Bulletin

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1. MPC response overview

As of 23 March 2023, a total of 360,787 persons or 74,612 families have been reached by MPC interventions. A total of USD 10.9 million has been disbursed by 14 implementing agencies across 22 sub-districts.

Only beneficiaries who have received at least USD 100/family/month have been included.

Table 1: 360,787 people reached, USD 10.9 million disbursed, 23 March 2023

governorate	district	communities	partners	households	beneficiaries^a	total_usd	%_beneficiaries^b
Aleppo	A'zaz	3	4	1,340	6,700	201,000	1.86
Aleppo	Afrin	74	6	19,018	95,030	2,852,700	26.34
Aleppo	Al Bab	3	2	400	1,677	60,000	0.46
Aleppo	Jarablus	1	3	400	2,005	60,000	0.56
Aleppo	Jebel Saman	8	5	4,189	21,405	617,100	5.93
Idleb	Harim	39	13	41,370	193,589	5,930,500	53.66
Idleb	Idleb	11	5	5,366	27,357	785,430	7.58
Idleb	Jisr-Ash-Shugur	16	4	2,529	13,024	349,620	3.61
Total	-	-	-	74,612	360,787	10,856,350	100.00

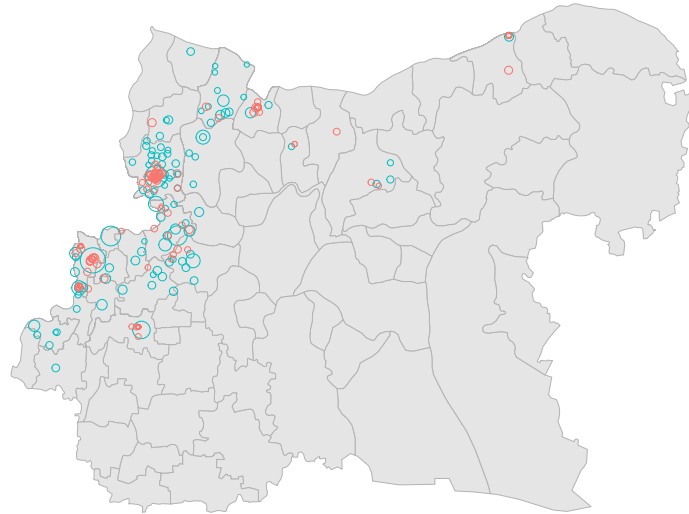
^aBeneficiary figures include only reported MPC with a minimum transfer value of USD 100

^bAs percentage of all MPC beneficiaries reached in NW Syria

2. Map of MPC beneficiaries and collective/reception centres

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Collective/reception centres and MPC beneficiaries
IDPs in red, beneficiaries in blue, size shows number of persons

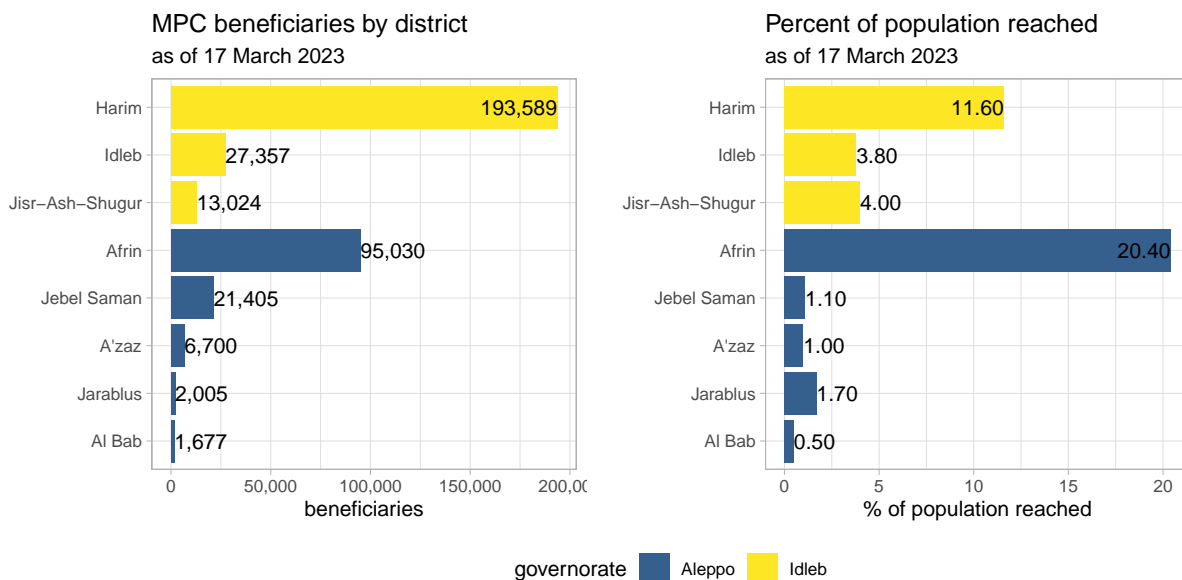


Data on cash response extracted from [FSL earthquake tracker](#) on March 17 2023. Data on collective centres extracted from March 15 2023.

A revised version of the map will be available for further reporting with the revised 4Ws that includes all available codes for temporary sites.

3. Geographic breakdown of beneficiaries

Coverage is highest in Afrin and Harim districts, which have been worst-hit by the earthquake.



The current distribution of beneficiaries appears to be aligned with the worst-hit districts: Harim and Afrin. The figures below only pertain to populations within the AOC of Northwest Syria and not representative of the entire district's population.

Table 2: Casualties and damaged houses, absolute figures and per 100,000 persons

governor	atedistrict	wounded_dead¹	wounded_dead_100k¹	damaged_houses¹	damaged_houses_100k¹
Aleppo	A'zaz	356	57.87	276	44.86
Aleppo	Afrin	2,232	478.79	2,910	624.22
Aleppo	Al Bab	206	70.04	832	282.89
Aleppo	Jarablus	40	33.82	257	217.30
Aleppo	Jebel Saman	616	236.80	176	67.66
Idleb	Harim	8,449	507.65	3,230	194.07
Idleb	Idleb	350	48.23	946	130.37
Idleb	Jisr-Ash-Shugur	595	183.68	1,915	591.18

¹Data from the Assistance Coordination Unit, Syria 20230307

When reviewing the district-level spread of casualties and totally- and partially-damaged houses, Harim and Afrin do stand out in terms of the magnitude of the damage. Notably, the share of damaged houses in Afrin is much higher than in Harim.

Following them, Jebel Saman and Jisr-ash-Shugur have the next most severe damage, although, as can be seen from the table below, their populations (within the area of control) are comparatively smaller.

Assessments are still ongoing and the CWG will update these tables when new data becomes available.

Table 3: Percentage of population reached by district

governor	atedistrict	total_population¹	beneficiaries	%_reached	partners
Aleppo	A'zaz	615,194	6,700	1.09	4
Aleppo	Afrin	466,179	95,030	20.38	6
Aleppo	Al Bab	294,112	1,677	0.57	2
Aleppo	Jarablus	118,271	2,005	1.70	3
Aleppo	Jebel Saman	260,134	21,405	8.23	5
Idleb	Harim	1,664,324	193,589	11.63	13
Idleb	Idleb	725,644	27,357	3.77	5
Idleb	Jisr-Ash-Shugur	323,929	13,024	4.02	4

¹Total population of sub-districts within the NW AOC

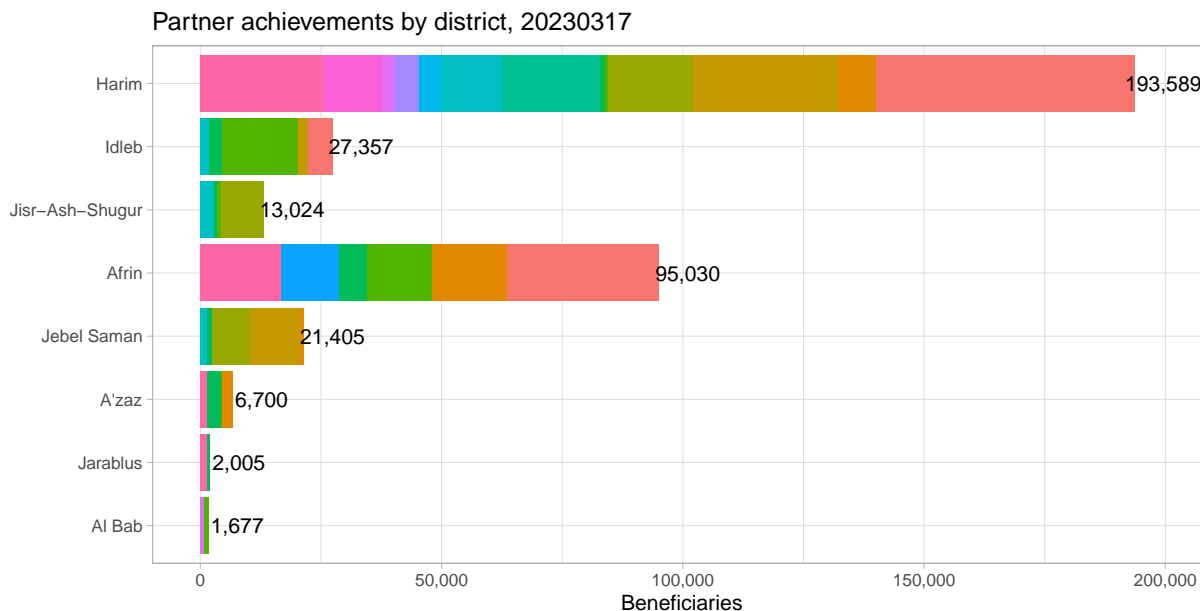
Although the earthquake damage is not as severe in A'zaz, Al Bab, Jarablus, Idleb and Jisr-ash-Shugur, a much higher proportion of needs in these areas remain unmet, given the low percentages of persons reached.

The establishment of subnational targets at the district and sub-district level, will go some way towards clarifying how resources should be allocated across the affected areas.

3.1 Breakdown by partner and district

Harim, by far and away has the highest concentration of partners (12), double that of the next highest district (Afrin).

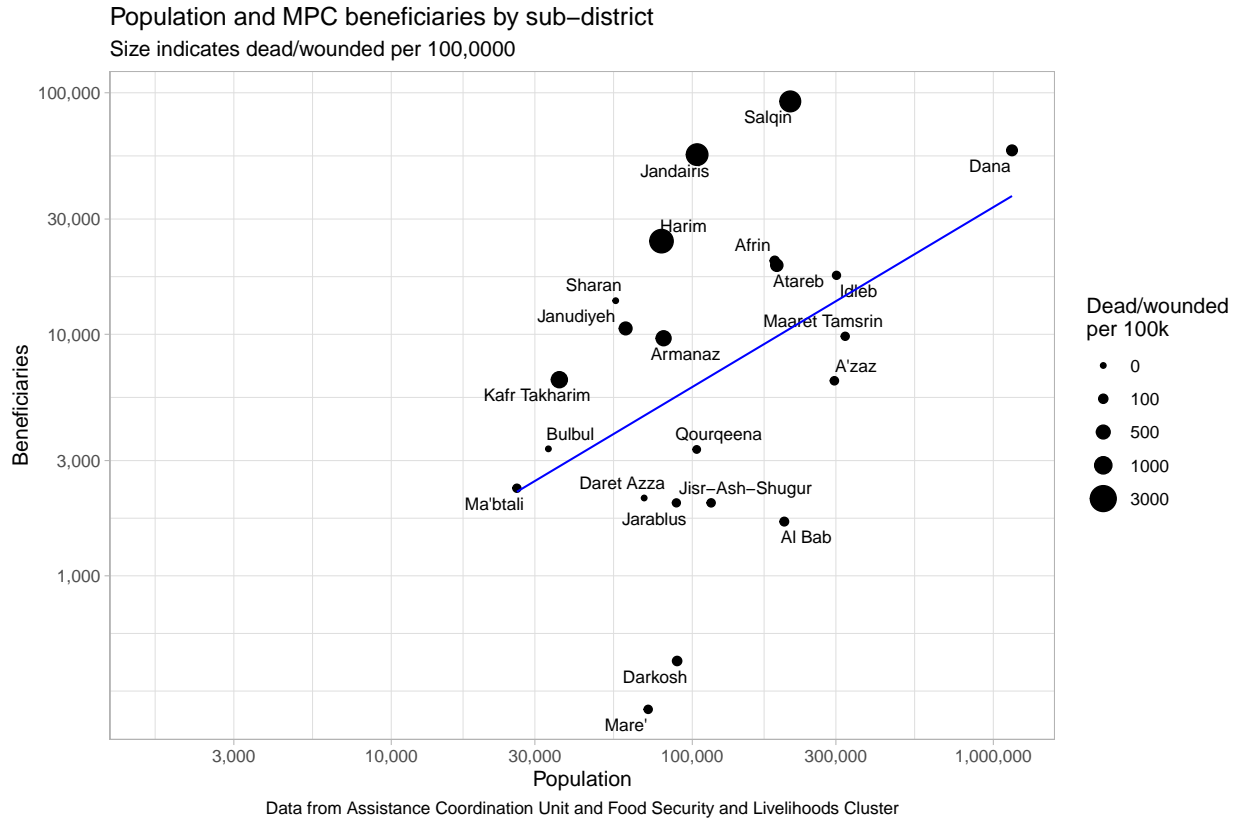
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3.2 Scatterplot of sub-districts

The plot below shows the total population of each sub-district on the x-axis (for the moment, all persons in these areas are assumed to be affected and are included in the PIN) and the number of beneficiaries on the y-axis.

The size of each point indicates the number of dead or wounded persons there per 100,000.



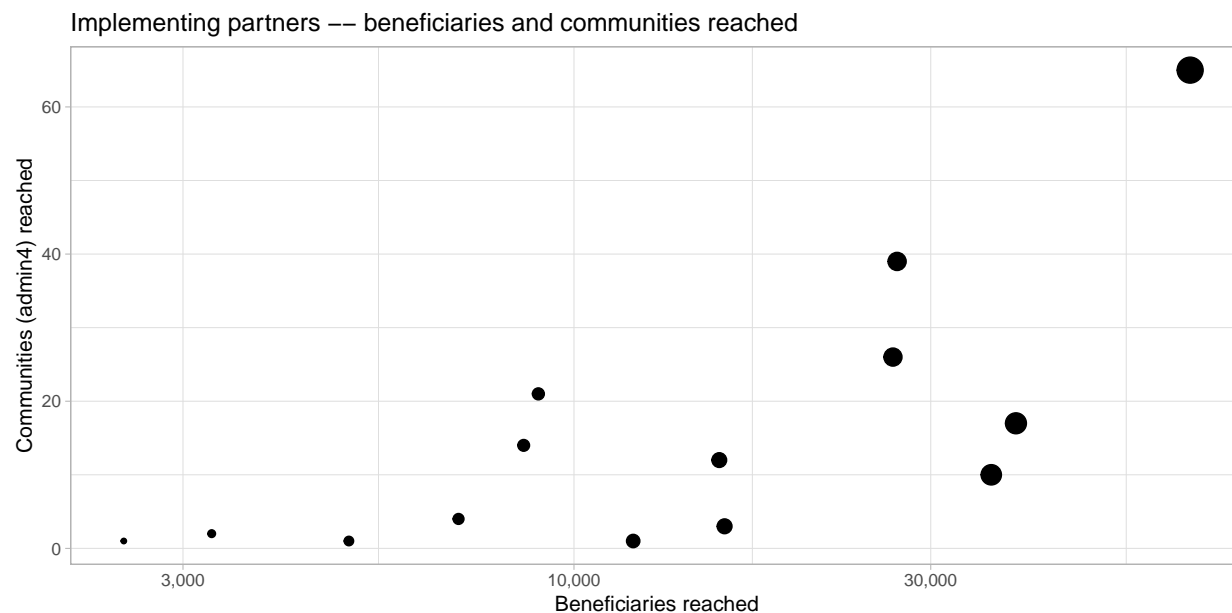
Overall, we see fair alignment between the magnitude of the needs (total population) and the number of beneficiaries – this is evidenced by the blue line showing a positive relationship.

However, we do note several mismatches – Dana seems to have received an outsized share of beneficiaries, especially when considering the casualty rate. And Kafr Takharim seems to have been allocated relatively fewer resources in comparison to the death toll there. The response in Dana may be explained by a number of variables outside the scope of the data collected by the earthquake response tracker, such as population movements. Did earthquake survivors displace to Dana with the knowledge that it was a well-served area, where a number of partners were already operational? The CWG will conduct more consultations with partners to understand such disparities.

4. Cash response actors and cash disbursed

In the scatterplot below, each point is a single cash working group partner. The x-axis indicates the number of beneficiaries reached per agency and the y-axis indicates the number of communities (admin4) reached.

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USD 10.9 million has been distributed across 155 communities and 22 sub-districts in NW Syria.

The table below summarises the information in the scatterplot above in tabular form:

Table 4: Reach and footprint of cash response actors

partner_code ¹	beneficiaries	districts	communities
CBR-004	66,685	3	65
CBR-006	39,000	3	17
CBR-044	36,145	4	10
CBR-013	27,045	7	39
CBR-008	26,703	3	26
CBR-032	15,900	1	3
CBR-035	15,642	4	12
CBR-038	12,000	1	1
CBR-031	8,961	7	21
CBR-005	8,565	4	14
CBR-042	7,008	1	4
CBR-040	5,000	1	1
CBR-041	3,277	2	2
CBR-037	2,500	1	1

¹Only partners who provided more than USD 100/family/month

4.1 USD disbursed by partner

There is very good compliance with CWG standards on the transfer values of multipurpose cash interventions, as can be seen by the `usd_per_fam` column in the table below.

Table 5: USD disbursed and families reached by partner

<code>partner_code</code>	<code>usd_total</code>	<code>families</code>	<code>usd_per_fam</code>	<code>%_usd_total</code>
CBR-004	2,704,950	18,033	150.00	24.92
CBR-006	1,365,000	9,100	150.00	12.57
CBR-044	1,178,200	8,980	131.20	10.85
CBR-032	1,116,450	7,443	150.00	10.28
CBR-013	994,800	6,702	148.43	9.16
CBR-008	926,100	6,174	150.00	8.53
CBR-005	793,800	5,292	150.00	7.31
CBR-031	417,000	2,780	150.00	3.84
CBR-038	360,000	2,400	150.00	3.32
CBR-035	312,300	3,123	100.00	2.88
CBR-042	301,200	2,008	150.00	2.77
CBR-040	150,000	1,000	150.00	1.38
CBR-037	139,050	927	150.00	1.28
CBR-041	97,500	650	150.00	0.90

Below is a breakdown of beneficiaries and families reached by cash-based activities of all values, not just those that qualify as MPC.

Table 6: USD transfer values for all cash-based activities, not just MPC

<code>usd_transfer_value</code>	<code>families</code>	<code>beneficiaries¹</code>	<code>%_beneficiaries</code>
\$25	180	850	0.21
\$45	24	120	0.03
\$50	7,062	35,310	8.88
\$60	60	420	0.11
\$100	5,699	31,618	7.95
\$120	350	1,750	0.44
\$130	2,000	10,000	2.52
\$150	66,563	317,419	79.86

¹Data from the FSL tracker, all cash response activities reported

5. UNHCR site tracker – searchable table

Data from [UNHCR site tracker](#). Extracted 15 March 2023.

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