

WFP TÜRKİYE

ACTIVITY 1 EXTERNAL SITREP
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Monitoring

Between 13 and 19 April, WFP conducted one round of face-to-face post-distribution monitoring surveys with 193 households living in seven camps and receiving e-voucher assistance of TRY 2,500 (US\$ 106) per household. The findings revealed that the majority of the families sheltering in these camps due to the earthquakes are headed by men (84 percent) and are of Syrian origin (67 percent). Only around one fifth of the surveyed households, regardless of household size, confirmed that the assistance is sufficient to cover their food needs for an entire month. Small-sized households (up to five members) mostly reported that their entitlement lasted for three weeks, and medium-sized households (five to ten members) stated that they would spend the assistance within two weeks.

Quarterly Update

WFP and the Turkish Red Crescent (TRC) provided around 80,000 beneficiaries, including both Turks and Syrians, in six camps in the southeast with monthly assistance of Turkish Lira (TRY) 2,500 (US\$ 106) per household. This caseload includes additional 35,000 earthquake-affected people that took shelter in the camps after the disaster of 6 February. Delivered as part of WFP's emergency response, this transfer value enables in-camp households (average size of 4.5 people) to cover around 97 percent of the food basket cost that was calculated at TRY 572 (US\$ 24) in December 2022. During the first three weeks of the emergency response, in-camp residents received weekly food packages to meet their food needs. Starting from June, WFP and TRC will add around 12,000 beneficiaries to the e-voucher programme, taking the regular caseload to 56,000, while increasing the monthly assistance from TRY 230 (US\$ 10) to TRY 300 (US\$ 13). This increase is aligned with the Emergency Social Safety Net (ESSN) transfer value.

E-Voucher Programme: Lifeline since 2012

After more than a decade since the conflict in Syria erupted, Türkiye continues to host the world's largest refugee population of around four million people. Most of these refugees live amongst the host community with around 45,000 of them living in camps in the southeast of the country. This status quo, however, changed in the aftermath of the earthquakes that struck the country on 6 February, affecting an area home to roughly 1.74 million refugees. The disaster caused the camp population to increase to around 80,000, with Turkish nationals and refugees seeking shelter in the prefab setups after losing their homes to the earthquake. Along with the regular beneficiaries of the e-voucher programme, these new camp residents received family food packages as part of the emergency response initiated in February. This assistance was later supplemented with TRY 2,500 (US\$ 106) per household.