

## WFP TÜRKİYE

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## **Quarterly Update**

WFP continues the in-camp e-voucher programme in collaboration with the Turkish Red Crescent (TRC), providing around 42,000 beneficiaries in six camps in the southeast with a monthly assistance of Turkish Lira (TRY) 300 (US\$ 9) per person. The Presidency of Migration Management (PMM) adopted a camp decongestion strategy which involves closing some of the camps and consolidating vulnerable refugee households with special needs in Adana camp. Accordingly, the WFP-assisted Apaydin camp in Hatay was closed in March and camp residents were supported by PMM to settle in urban areas or move back to Syria. WFP is formulating a new project to support voluntary relocation of camp residents through resilience-building activities and multi-purpose cash assistance to households wishing to resettle in urban areas in stages.

## **Monitoring**

The food basket cost in the contracted shops in the six camps hosting Syrian refugees increased from TRY 967 (US\$ 28.9) to TRY 979 (US\$ 31.3) between January and March, representing a 2 percent increase. According to the Q1 2024 In-camp Post Distribution Monitoring Report, economic factors remain the primary determinants of food security among refugees with 23 percent of households classified as food insecure and 74 percent as vulnerable to food insecurity. Gender disparities persist with 88 percent reporting that women do not contribute to the household income. 54 percent rely on casual unskilled wage labour, indicating a shift towards self-reliance. This is parallel with the finding that WFP assistance is the secondary income source for 75 percent of the households. However, 84 percent rely on at least one type of coping behaviour, which emphasizes the ongoing importance of external support. Finally, positive trends were observed in accountability and program awareness, with 98 percent reporting respectful treatment and 58 percent stating that they are adequately informed about WFP's programme.



## 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 among the host community with around 60,000 of them (including around 1,600 Ukrainians) living in camps in the southeast of the country. The e-voucher assistance aims to ensure that refugees have access to sufficient food and maintain a healthy and diverse diet, while reducing negative coping behaviours, in addition to enhancing Türkiye's national crisis-response capacities. By the end of Q1 2024, the total amount of cash transferred under this programme amounted to USD 256.9 million.

Beneficiaries	January	February	March
Individuals	43,499	42,501	42,201
Households	9,902	9,710	9,561













