

### 1.75 million

INTERNALLY DISPLACED IN GAZA  
(as of 1 April)

### 93,393

INTERNALLY DISPLACED IN LEBANON  
(as of 2 April)

## Appeal Status



TOTAL NUMBER OF PEOPLE TARGETED: 733,500

13%

RECEIVED: \$ 9.2 M

REQUESTED: \$69.13 M



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## HIGHLIGHTS

- On 1 April, seven World Central Kitchen (WCK) staff members were [killed](#) due to multiple Israeli airstrikes on their convoy, as they were departing their warehouse in Deir al Balah after unloading more than 100 tons of humanitarian aid supplies brought to Gaza via the maritime route.
- UN humanitarian workers in Gaza have [suspended operations](#) at night for at least 48 hours in response to the killing of seven aid workers from the WCK. This will allow for further evaluation of the security issues that impact both personnel on the ground and the people they are trying to serve.
- On 1 April, Israel's military has withdrawn from Gaza's largest hospital, Al-Shifa, after a 14-day siege, that left widespread destruction and mass casualties. The hospital can no longer accommodate any patients—leaving Gaza and the northern Gaza Strip without a single public hospital operating at the scale of Al-Shifa.
- On 1 April, an Israeli [airstrike](#) on the building of the Iranian consulate in the Syrian capital Damascus killed at least eleven people, including a senior Iranian commander and six Syrian civilians.
- On 24 March, the UN Secretary General, António Guterres, met with the President of Egypt and the Minister of Foreign Affairs. Following the meeting, the SG submitted a Note Verbal to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MoFA) with the goal of improving the effectiveness of the UN operations in support of Gaza from Egypt.

## SITUATION OVERVIEW

The latest large-scale escalation of conflict in Israel and the Occupied Palestinian Territory on 7 October 2023 has led to an unprecedented humanitarian catastrophe in Gaza. Intense Israeli bombardment and ground operations as well as heavy fighting between Israeli forces and Palestinian armed groups continue to be reported across much of the Gaza Strip. As of 1 April, UNRWA estimates that some 75 per cent of Gaza's population (1.75 million out of 2.3 million people) more than half of whom are children, are displaced. Most are living in makeshift structures, tents, or out in the open. Access to basic services remains severely limited to non-existent — the lack of food, water, fuel, basic items and poor hygiene practices, further exacerbate people's living conditions, amplifying protection and mental health risks, as well as the risks associated to the spread of disease. Hospitals in Gaza continue to face severe disruptions in providing health care. WHO confirmed the destruction of Al-Shifa Hospital, the largest hospital in Gaza and

one of the oldest Palestinian health institutions, following a two-week long military offensive and siege by the Israeli Defence Forces (IDF). Only 10 of Gaza's 36 hospitals are still able to function. Humanitarian operations continue to be seriously hampered by long clearance procedures; rejection of goods and supplies at inspection; lack of fuel; massive destruction impeding access; the threat of unexploded ordnance; active hostilities; lack of security and breakdown of law and order preventing the delivery of much needed aid.

IOM is [urgently appealing](#) for USD 69 million to support its response to the rising critical humanitarian needs of hundreds of thousands of civilians in the Occupied Palestinian Territory and neighbouring countries affected by the ongoing hostilities. Your support is critical in our mission to deliver emergency aid to displaced families in Gaza and in surrounding countries impacted by the crisis and hostilities.

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## IOM RESPONSE

## LEBANON

93,393 IDPs have been recorded as of 2 April

7,908 individuals reached with multi-sectoral humanitarian assistance

As of 2 April 2024, IOM Lebanon's Displacement Tracking Matrix (DTM)\* has recorded 93,393 internally displaced persons (IDPs), showing a two per cent increase since 28 March 2024. Most of these IDPs are in five districts out of a total of 23 districts hosting IDPs — specifically, Sour, Nabatieh, Baabda, Bent Jbeil, and Saida. The displacement covers 454 locations (villages or neighbourhoods) across 372 cadasters throughout Lebanon, spanning 23 districts in all eight governorates. Notably, 62 per cent of the total IDPs are located in three districts – Saida, Sour, and El Nabatieh – likely because these districts are close to where the majority of IDPs are displaced from. Around 84 per cent of IDPs are currently living with host families, while 12 per cent are renting their shelters. Around two per cent are housed in collective shelters, and another two per cent have relocated to their secondary residences. The number of collective shelters for people displaced by the conflict stands at 18.

IOM continues to support the Lebanese Government to strengthen emergency preparedness and response capacities in the country. During the past two weeks, the IOM Site Coordination team attended the newly formed Assessment and Analysis Working Group and presented the Site Assessments and standard monitoring tools. In addition, the IOM Site Coordination team submitted the Site Coordination Annual Workplan to the shelter sector.

IOM, through its implementing partner SHEILD, continues to respond to the emergency in southern Lebanon by distributing core relief items to IDPs. Between 21 March to 3 April 2024, IOM and SHEILD conducted multiple distributions across four locations in El Nabatieh district, with a total of 440 individuals receiving assistance. In addition, IOM and SHEILD continue to implement protection activities including Psycho-Social Support sessions, recreational activities, and case management to IDPs and host communities in Sour and Nabatieh.

## JORDAN

Warehousing space in Amman increased to scale up pipeline operations into Gaza

IOM continues supporting and liaising with the NGO Direct Relief to finalize the procurement and transportation of the tents that will be handed over to the Royal Medical Services (RMS) for the further deployment of the field hospital in Gaza. IOM will, through the Jordan supply pipeline, and in support of Shelter and WASH clusters

in Gaza, scale up the procurement of shelter and WASH items in coming weeks. IOM has in the meantime prepared a warehousing space in Jordan that can be scaled up once the bulk of the pipeline supplies start arriving to Amman. IOM has placed an order for the first 1,000 tents from its Global Stocks and started coordinating with COGAT and Logs Cluster for the freight forwarding of the supplies into Gaza.

## EGYPT

741 Third Country Nationals and family members supported

Supported supply chain operations for the distribution of 8,000 hygiene kits in Gaza

Since November 2023, IOM Egypt supported 741 Third Country Nationals (TCNs), family members, and evacuees with various types of assistance including accommodation, land transport, air transport, protection assistance, and/or medical assistance (including medical referrals and fit-to-travel checks) at the request of their respective Embassies.

During the reporting period, IOM continued to provide supply chain and logistical support to the Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC) to distribute 8,000 hygiene kits in Gaza. The kits are currently being distributed in formal and informal collective sites in Rafah and Khan Younis governorates in the south of the Gaza Strip, including public schools, makeshift sites located in Rafah and Al-Mawasi area.

To date, a total number of 160 out of 190 trucks have crossed into Gaza, however, the increasing difficulty in delivering humanitarian aid is severely affecting operations to serve those most in need.



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\*The DTM Mobility Snapshot is produced jointly with the Lebanese Red Cross (LRC) and the government's Disaster Risk Management (DRM) Unit and is the leading source of displacement data for Lebanon.