



SOCIAL SUPPORT RESPONSE FOR SYRIAN REFUGEES

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SYRIAN CRISIS: THE WORST HUMANITARIAN TRAGEDY TODAY



SYRIAN REFUGEES IN TURKEY

In April 2011, Turkey opened its doors to a group of 252 people, then hundreds of thousands crossed the border for safety.

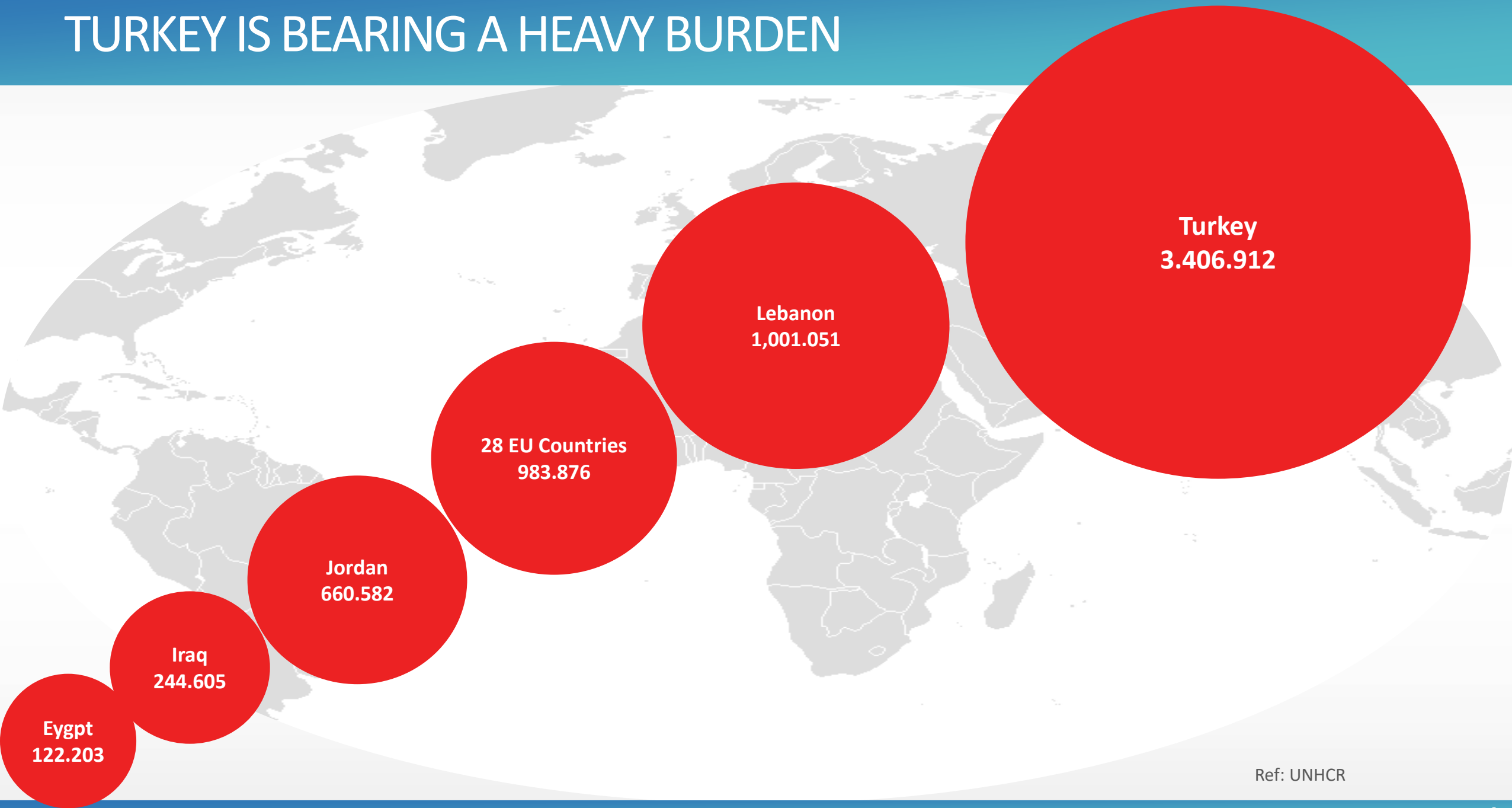


Policy of Turkish Government for Syrian Refugees:

- Open Door Policy
- Temporary Protection
- Non-refoulement

Since 2014, Turkey hosts the largest number of refugees in the World.

TURKEY IS BEARING A HEAVY BURDEN



Ref: UNHCR

Ten countries - which account for just 2.5 percent of the global economy - are hosting **more than half the world's refugees.**

Wealthy countries leave poorer nations to bear the brunt of a worsening crisis.

Ref: Amnesty International Report 2016
Tackling the global refugee crisis: From shirking to sharing responsibility

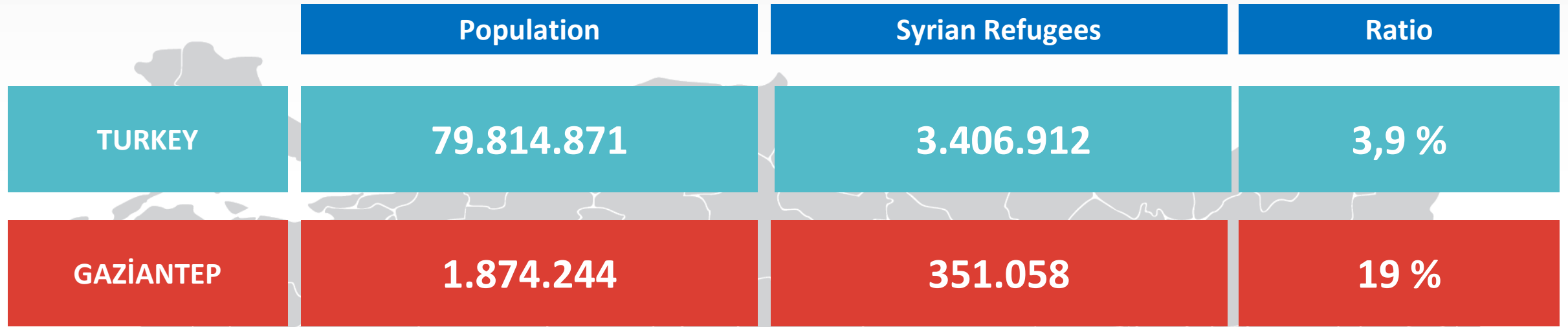
DISTRIBUTION OF SYRIAN REFUGEES IN TURKEY



 The cities shown in red have the highest **refugee population** between **400.000** and **500.000**

 The cities shown in pink have a **refugee population** between **100.000** and **200.000**

SYRIAN REFUGEES IN GAZİANTEP



	Population	Syrian Refugees	Ratio
TURKEY	79.814.871	3.406.912	3,9 %
GAZİANTEP	1.874.244	351.058	19 %

- **351.058** registered refugees
- **Roughly 60.000** unregistered refugees (waiting for the registration process, registered in another city)
- Only % 7 percent of all refugees live in the refugee camps.

APPROACH OF GAZIANTEP TO THE SYRIAN REFUGEE CRISIS

- GMM migration policy has a humanitarian approach based on **social justice** and **human rights** for refugees and host community.
- In order to cope with the challenges as a municipality we expanded our traditional responsibilities and established a comprehensive '**refugee policy**' based on
 - ▶ Social cohesion
 - ▶ Employment
 - ▶ Education
 - ▶ Housing
 - ▶ Health Care
 - ▶ Equal Municipal Services



GAZIANTEP METROPOLITAN MUNICIPALITY REFUGEE RESPONSE

- Directorate of Migration Office
- Ensar Community Center
- Temporary Education Center for Syrian Children
- Social Research Center (Sarmer)
- Art And Vocational Training Centers (Gasmek)
- Municipal Hospital
- Women Shelter
- Sada Women Only Center
- Social Assistance Program



ENSAR COMMUNITY CENTER

In Ensar Community Center, guidance and consultancy are given to Syrian guests. Beside psycho-social support we give law support, turkish, arabic, english language and vocational training courses.



INFORMATION & EDUCATION CENTER FOR SYRIAN REFUGEES

- Two Information & Education Centers are used as "**Temporary Education Centers**". were established in 2012, in order to eliminate the risk of a "lost generation".
- Students who have lost their families and/or have financial problems attend to these centers.
- **All expenses** including transportation are **covered by the municipality**.



ART AND VOCATIONAL TRAINING COURSES (GASMEK)

- There are 26 Art and Vocational Training Center.
- Most of the refugees are not qualified for a job.
- **Vocational trainings** are provided to build necessary skills.
- Turkish and English language courses are provided for social cohesion.
- So far, to 12 thousands Syrian guest Turkish Language Training, to 8 thousands Syrians Vocational training courses were given.



SADA WOMEN'S DEVELOPMENT AND SOLIDARITY CENTRE

Sada Women Only Center aims to support the empowerment of women, to create dialogue between refugee women and women living in the region and to strengthen social solidarity.



WOMEN'S SHELTER

Syrian women who are victim of domestic violence and their children are offered shelter.

Both women and their children benefit from psycho-social support and counseling services.

SOCIAL AID

- The social aid packages for Syrian refugees who are in need of help are being distributed to improve their quality of life.
- Some services are listed below;
 - ▶ Food aid
 - ▶ Kitchen Kit
 - ▶ Clothes and shoes
 - ▶ Blanket
 - ▶ Book collections
 - ▶ Toys
 - ▶ Sports Kit
 - ▶ Carpet and sofa



IN SHORT

Gaziantep Metropolitan Municipality won ‘**City Awards: The Best Municipality of the Year on Migration Management**’ thanks to its effective work for refugees.

We believe that; what we do, is not a favour for refugees but **international and humanitarian responsibility** in the light of International Declaration of Human Rights and some other –well known- international conventions.

THANK YOU...

