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Disabled children : Enabled futures

Seven Years of War in Syria Facts and figures

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are living with permanent disabilities

including





Estimated





DISABILITIES

Displaced children returning to their homes are at high risk of INJURY OR DEATH

from unexploded ordnances left in their communities⁴



lack of caregivers and torn social fabric expose **children** with disabilities to a

higher risk of violence and difficulties accessing assistance⁵

Of communities reporting known **DEATHS AND INJURIES**

from explosive hazards,

40%





Displacement puts children with existing disabilities closer to unfamiliar risks like

road traffic, rivers and unexploded remnants of war



have seen **children** who have lost the ability to speak or who have developed speech impediments since the war began in 2011⁷



80% of injuries among surveyed Syrian refugees in Lebanon and Jordan were directly caused by war ⁹

Among conflictrelated injuries,

53%

17%

are children¹¹

of victims injured by

explosive weapons

are due to the use of explosive weapons



80% of PEOPLE injured by explosives experience intense psychological distress

66%

are unable to go about daily activities because of fear, anger, fatigue, disinterest and hopelessness¹⁰

15%

of refugees injured by explosive weapons have **undergone amputation**¹²



DISABILITIES













humanitarian access

denied 105 times





1 IN 4 recruited children is in the age of 15

2.8 MILLION CHILDREN internally displaced[®]

6.1 MILLION PEOPLE internally displaced¹⁷





living in areas hosting over



of IDPs or returnees

Refugee-host countries

DISPLACEMENT

Iraq 244,235



INSIDE SYRIA







FOOD PRICES IN • east Ghouta

HAVE SKY-ROCKETED

because of the siege





52 ATTACKS

on humanitarian facilities and personnel

KILLING



Essential humanitarian supplies

for children REMOVED FROM CONVOYS OR BLOCKED



times²³



HUMANITARIAN ACCESS AND SIEGE

In 2017





pushing children as young as

3 years-old TO WORK OR BEG

to keep families afloat²⁶



EXTREME SURVIVAL MEASURES



over TWO THIRDS of communities in Syria report CHILD

MARRIAGE



CHILDREN born to child brides are at high risk of being ABANDONED

Reports of GIRLS SUICIDE or ATTEMPTED SUICIDE because of forced marriage







1 IN 3 schools cannot be used because they are destroyed, damaged, sheltering displaced families or being used for military purposes

180,000 EDUCATION personnel left the system,

including teachers³¹





📍 In Jordan

17% compared to 6% of children with disabilities between the ages of 6 and 14 are out of school,

of children without disabilities

Children with disabilities aged 15 to 17, the figure rises to 47% $^{\rm 33}$

WHY SYRIAN REFUGEE CHILDREN ARE OUT OF SCHOOL:



documents

required to register

lost



Cannot afford

transportation



safetv

concerns

Child

labour



Child marriage



Despite massive government efforts to accommodate additional children, schools are overcrowded and lack teachers, making for poor **quality learning**



38% of Syrian children in Jordan do not attend secondary school

EDUCATION

UNICEF'S RESPONSE IN 2017- THEHIGHLIGHTS*

- Almost 9 million children were vaccinated against polio in Syria, Jordan, Iraq and Egypt.
- In line with the No Lost Generation Initiative, UNICEF supported national systems in Syria and in Syrian refugee host countries, reaching over 773,000 children with psychosocial support, and helping to enrol over 3.2 million children in formal education.
- WASH in schools inside Syria reached 558 establishments benefiting over 383,000 children including children with disabilities.
- Inside Syria, UNICEF expanded a social protection programme to support 5,800 children with complex disabilities with regular cash transfers and case management assistance.
- In Syria, Jordan, Lebanon and Iraq, over 6.8 million people gained sustainable access to safe water through improvements to water supply systems. 1.8 million people benefitted from temporary water provision.
- In Jordan, UNICEF supported four centres providing vocational training to Syrian refugees in Za'atari and Azraq Camps, with focusing on youth with disabilities.
- During the 2016-17 school year in Lebanon, UNICEF supported 755 children with disabilities to access specialized services.

To support children affected by the war, UNICEF REQUIRES **1.3 BILLION US\$ IN 2018**

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