

# Quarterly report (September 2016)

### **Background and key findings**

According to the latest available figures from the Turkish Directorate General of Migration Management (DGMM) there are currently an estimated 3.1 million foreign nationals present in Turkish territory seeking international protection. Most are Syrians (2,736,032 individuals) who are granted temporary protection status, while according to UNHCR 285,025 asylum applicants from countries including Iraq, Afghanistan, Iran and Somalia constitute another significant group of foreign nationals requiring Turkish humanitarian and legal protection. The number of Syrians living outside camps during the months of July and August has decreased for about four thousands, while in September the figures have shown an increasing trend with around seven thousands new Syrians only for one month. During the reporting period the number of Syrians residing in camps has decreased for about 2 thousands.

### **Syrians under Temporary Protection**

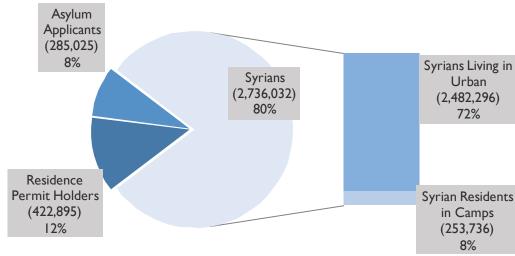
Urban Caseload



12.08.2015 01.10.2015 19.05.2016 09.06.2016 30.06.2016 14.07.2016 11.08.2016 25.08.2016 01.09.2016 29.09.2016

Resident in Camps





\*Data based on DGMM and UNHCR figures

In addition, there are 422,895 foreign nationals present in Turkey holding residency permits including humanitarian residence holders. The exact number of the humanitarian residence holders is unknown, but it is estimated that there are a few thousand humanitarian residents.

According to DGMM, 146,485 irregular migrants of different nationalities were apprehended in Turkey during 2015. The majority were Syrian, Iraqi, Iranian, Pakistani and Afghani nationals.



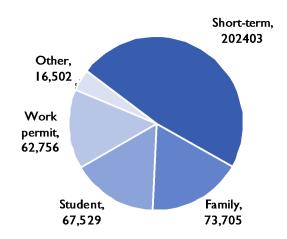
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### Categories of the Foreigners in Turkey

### **Temporary Protection (TP)**

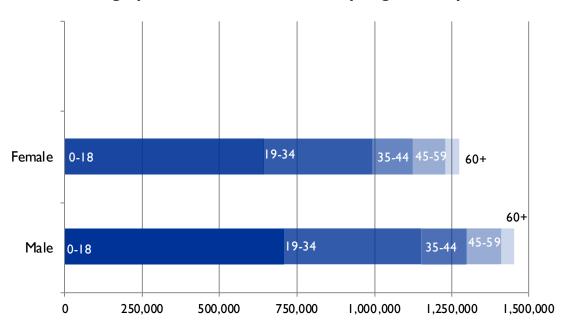
Turkey's Temporary Protection regime grants the **2,736,032** Syrian migrants the right to legally stay in Turkey as well as some level of access to basic rights and services. The vast majority - **2,482,296** individuals - live outside camps, mainly spread across cities at the Turkish border provinces of Şanlıurfa, Gaziantep, Hatay and Kilis. **253,736** Syrians live in 25 Temporary Accommodation Centers (TACs) that are also located in the provinces close to the Syrian border, as well as in other major cities Şanlıurfa, Gaziantep, Hatay, Kilis, Osmaniye, Adana, Mardin, Adıyaman, Malatya, and Kahramanmaras.

### **Categories of Residence Permit**



\*Data based on DGMM figures, Turkey Migration report 2015

### Demographic View of the Biometrically Registered Syrians



\*Data based on DGMM figures as of 29.09.2016

### **Residence Permit (RP)**

Foreigners who wish to stay in Turkey beyond the duration of a visa or visa exemption i.e. longer than ninety days must obtain a residence permit. There are **422,895** residence permit holders in Turkey within various categories of the residence permit. Types of residency permits are: a) short-term residence permit; b) family residence permit; c) student residence permit; d) long-term residence permit; e) humanitarian residence permit; f) victim of human trafficking residence permit and working permits as residence permit.



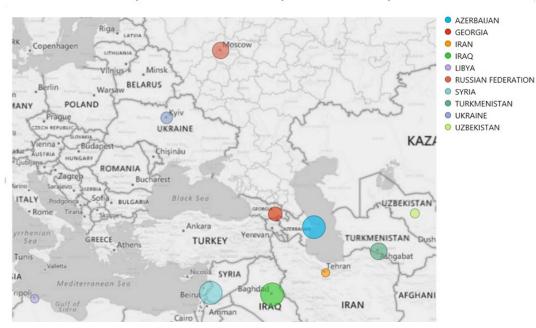
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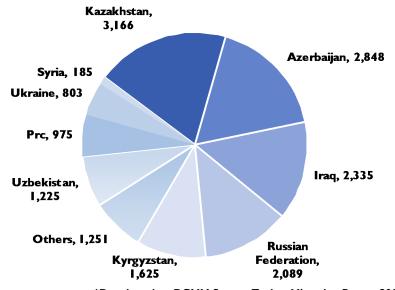
202,403 short-term residence holders compose the majority of all residence permit holders, followed by 73,705 family residence permit holders. Additionally, there are 67,529 student residence permit holders, and 62,756 work permits granting the right to residence. 16,502 'other' residence permits were also granted.

#### Top Ten Residence Permit Holders by Location and Nationality



#### \*Data based on DGMM figures, Turkey Migration Report 2015

### Other Residence Permit Holders by Nationality



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### **Humanitarian Residency Permit (HR)**

The exact number of humanitarian residence permit holders is not available, as this category is aggregated within the 'other' category. However, field experience and discussions with DGMM have shown that humanitarian residence permit holders are **few thousands** and are predominantly Iraqi nationals. Humanitarian Residence Permits are granted under certain circumstances in which foreign nationals are allowed to enter into and stay in Turkey, due to an emergency situation. The humanitarian residence permit is granted, renewed and cancelled by the governorates, subject of the approval from the Ministry of Interior (Mol).



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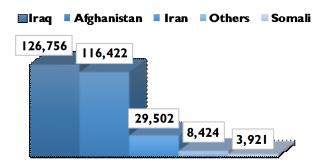
### **Asylum Applicants (AA)**

According to UNHCR data, another significant group of foreign nationals requiring international protection in Turkey are **285,025** asylum applicants consisting of different nationalities, but mainly coming from Iraq, Afghanistan, Iran, Somalia and other countries. There has been an increase of **13,559** individuals in this reporting period comparing with the figure of **271,466** as of 30 June 2016.

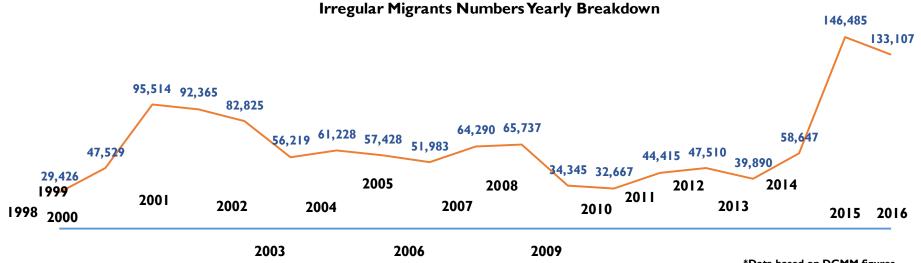
### Irregular Migrants (IM)

According to DGMM, 146,485 irregular migrants of different nationalities were apprehended in Turkey during 2015. Most irregular migrants entered the Turkish territory from war-torn Syria and Iraq and transited or resided in Turkey before attempting to cross the Aegean Sea to Europe. The top three categories in 2015 are from Syria, Afghanistan and Iraq. According to DGMM figures, 133,107 irregular migrants has been recorded since the beginning of the year (as of 27.09.2016).

# Nationality Breakdown of the Refugees and Asylum Seekers Registered to UNHCR



\*Data based on UNHCR figures, as of September 2016.





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### **Irregular Migrants**

### Rescued and apprehended irregular migrants on sea

According to Turkish Coast Guard (TCG) daily reports, TCG apprehended 32,056 irregular migrants at sea and registered 180 fatalities between 04 January and 30 September 2016. During the reporting period, there has been an increase of **5,909** apprehended persons on sea by TCG.

The top ten nationalities of apprehended/rescued migrants is shown below.

#### Monthly Apprehensions/Rescues by TCG Individuals 182 177 **Cases Deaths** 135 103 853 74 8747 5506 28 28 3425 1603 88 I Sep

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Top 10 Nationality Rescues/Apprehensions



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### **Irregular Migrants**

### **Apprehended Persons on Land**

According to the Turkish Armed Forces (TAF) reports on a daily basis, between the reporting period 01.07.2016 and 30.09.2016, totally **96,845** persons were apprehended trying to enter Turkey irregularly and **4,487** irregular attempts to exit Turkey from different borders. The majority of the crossings took place in the shown borders below in the map.



| Apprehensions by Turkish Land Forces Statistics (01 July 2016—30 September 2016) |          |                       |          |  |
|--|----------|-----------------------|----------|--|
| Apprehesions on Entry  |          | Apprehensions on Exit |          |  |
| Border   | Number # | Border                | Number # |  |
| Syria  | 93,751   | Syria                 | 951      |  |
| Iraq   | 2,728    | Iraq                  | 3        |  |
| Iran   | 248      | Iran                  | 24       |  |
| Greece   | 92       | Greece                | 2898     |  |
| Bulgaria   | 26       | Bulgaria              | 598      |  |
|  |          | Azerbaijan            | 12       |  |
|  |          | (Nakchivan)           | 13       |  |
| Total  | 96,845   | Total                 | 4,487    |  |



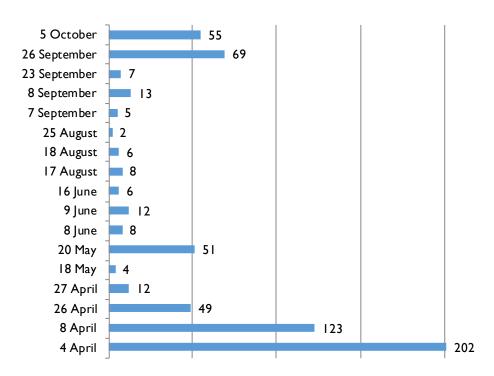
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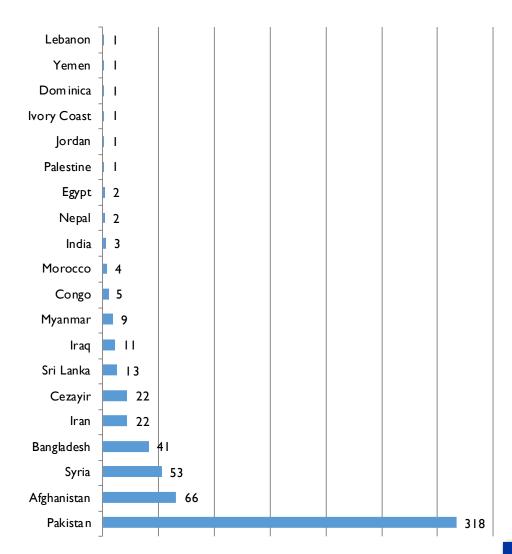
### **Readmitted Migrants and Refugees to Turkey**

On 18th March 2016, EU and Turkey agreed on the readmission of migrants arriving Greece to Turkey after 20th of March. According to data released by DGMM on 3rd of October 578 migrants and refugees have been readmitted to Turkey from Greece since 4 April while according to European Commission (EC) reports, the figure is 633 as of 5th of October. During this reporting period, 110 readmissions took place in the months of August, September according to EC reports.

### **Readmissions by Date**



### **Readmissions by Nationality**

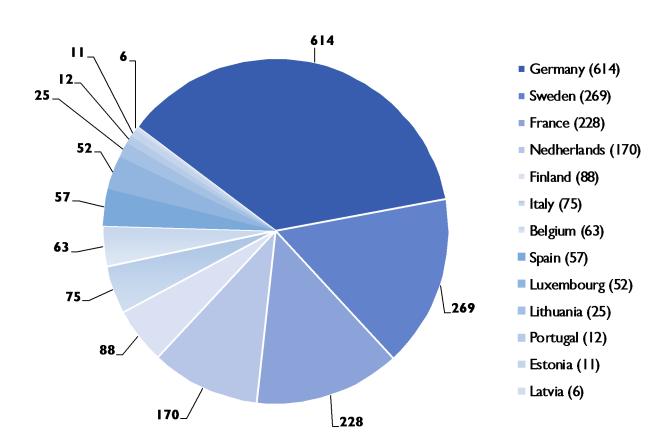


<sup>\*</sup>Data source: European Commission EU-Turkey Agreement State of Play.



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### Resettled Syrians under EU-Turkey Agreement



The agreement aim was to replace disorganized and irregular migratory flows by organized and safe pathways to European countries, in this regards, it is agreed on that for every Syrian being returned to Turkey from the Greek islands, another Syrian will be resettled to Europe from Turkey directly.

According to DGMM, since April 4, 2016 the number of Syrians resettled in European countries under the one-for-one agreement is **1,670** persons and the country breakdown is shown in the chart next. The figure according to European Commission is **1,668**.

<sup>\*</sup>Data based on DGMM figures.

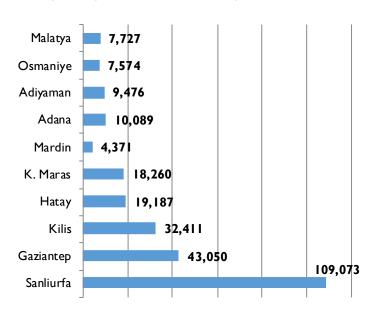


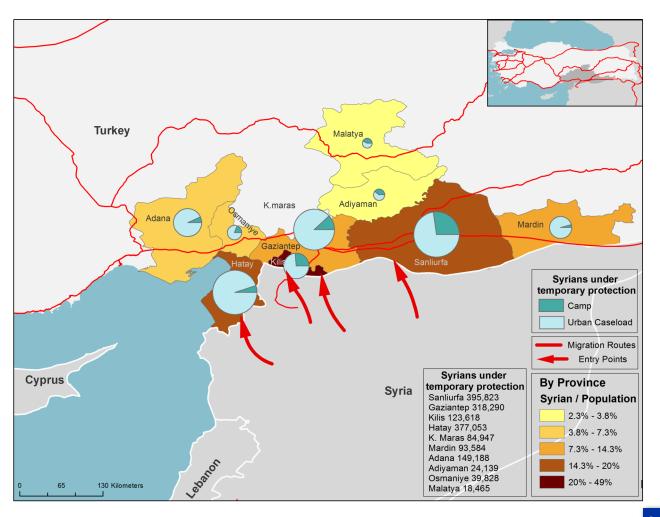
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### Accommodation Capacity and Services for Hosting Foreign Nationals in Turkey

# Accommodation facilities for migrants under temporary protection (AFAD Camps)

There are 26 "Temporary Accommodation Centers" for migrants under Temporary Protection (mainly Syrians) dispersed in 10 cities in Turkey namely Şanlıurfa, Gaziantep, Kilis, Kahramanmaraş, Mardin, Hatay, Adana, Adıyaman, Osmaniye and Malatya run by Disaster and Emergency Management Presidency (AFAD). According to DGMM statistics a total population of 253,736 are currently residing in the camps. A certain number of Iraqis (mainly Yezidis and Assyrians ethnic groups) are also residing in camps in Mardin and Gaziantep.







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# Removal, Reception and Accommodation Centers

Removal centers host and control foreigners under administrative detention. Removal centers are operating in the provinces of Kırklareli, Edirne, Tekirdağ, İstanbul, Kayseri, Çanakkale, Kocaeli, Bursa, İzmir, Aydın, Antalya, Kırıkkale, Adana, Hatay, Gaziantep, Erzurum, Van and Hakkari (temporarily). In total, the removal centers can currently hold **6,670** persons. DGMM reported that by 2016 removal center capacity was anticipated to increase to 14,370 persons with extensions to current facilities and three new container centers. Furthermore, according to planned activities up to July 2017, 9 additional Removal Centers will open with a capacity of hosting 2,970 persons. Therefore, by the end of 2017 it is anticipated that 33 removal centers will be operational with a capacity of hosting 17,340 persons.

# **Removal Reception and Accomodation Centers**



\*Data based on DGMM figures, as of 16.08.2016.

Another type of accommodation facility - the Reception and Accommodation Center - are designed to host vulnerable migrants for a temporary period. Currently, approximately 1,000 people can be hosted in these facilities.



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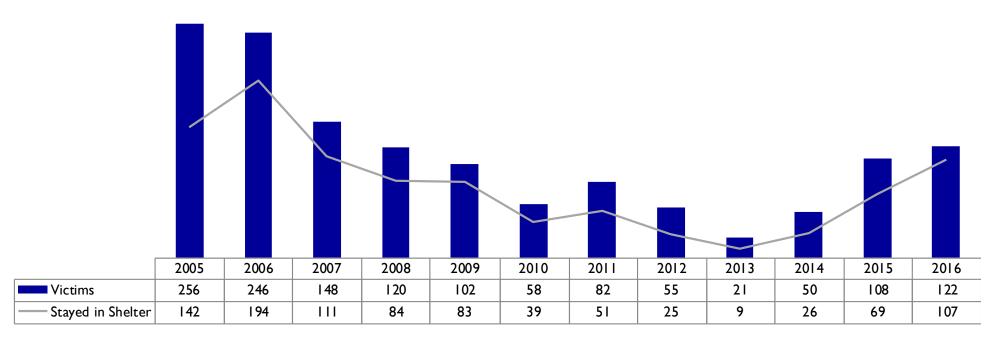
### Victims of Trafficking (VoTs)

According to DGMM, fewer victims of trafficking have been identified over the past decade. 108 individuals were identified in 2015 and 122 in 2016.

Four shelters for victims of trafficking are operational with a total capacity of 35 individuals. Three shelters are operated by NGOs while the Kırıkkale shelter is operated by DGMM.

| Shelters for VoTs in Turkey            | Shelter<br>Capacity |
|--|---------------------|
| Human Resources Development Foundation | 6                   |
| The Foundation for Women's Solidarity  | 12                  |
| Association for Family Consultants     | 7                   |
| Shelter in Kırıkkale ( *Run by DGMM)   | 10                  |
| Total                                  | 35                  |

\*Data based on DGMM figures, as of 03.10.2016



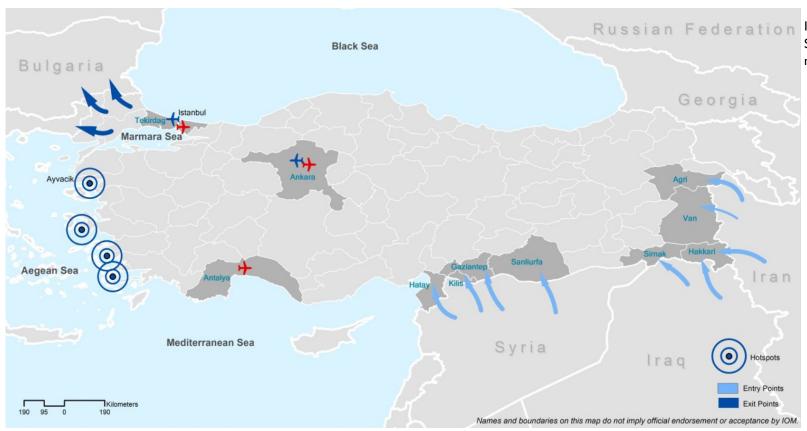


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### **Main Exit and Entry Points to Turkey**

Known entry points by land: Hatay, Kilis, Şanlıurfa (from Syria), Silopi, Çukurca (from Iraq), Şemdinli, Yüksekova, Başkale, Ağrı, Doğubeyazıt (from Iran) Known entry points by air: Istanbul Ataturk, Istanbul Sabiha Gokçen, Antalya, Esenboğa Ankara (from third countries)

Known exit points by sea: Çeşme, Ayvalık, Didim, Bodrum, Küçükkuyu (Locations close to Lesvos, Samos, Chios, Symi, Kos and Rodos) Known exit points by land: Edirne (to Greece and Bulgaria), Kırklareli (to Bulgaria)



Known exit points by air: Istanbul Ataturk, Istanbul Sabiha Gökçen (to certain EU member states)