

LEBANON FOOD SECURITY & AGRICULTURE SECTOR

North FSASWG Meeting

06 June 2023

Food Security and Agriculture Sector



Agenda

- Food Security and Market Situation Analysis – WFP/RAM unit
- Sector updates:
 - AI Reporting
 - Agriculture Mapping exercise
 - IPC analysis
 - LHF first standard allocation for 2023
- Updates from partners: current and planned projects
- Secondary health care updates – Health sector
- Caritas Lebanon overview and services
- Presentation by Emkan NGO on their activities + Tour in their center.
- AOB



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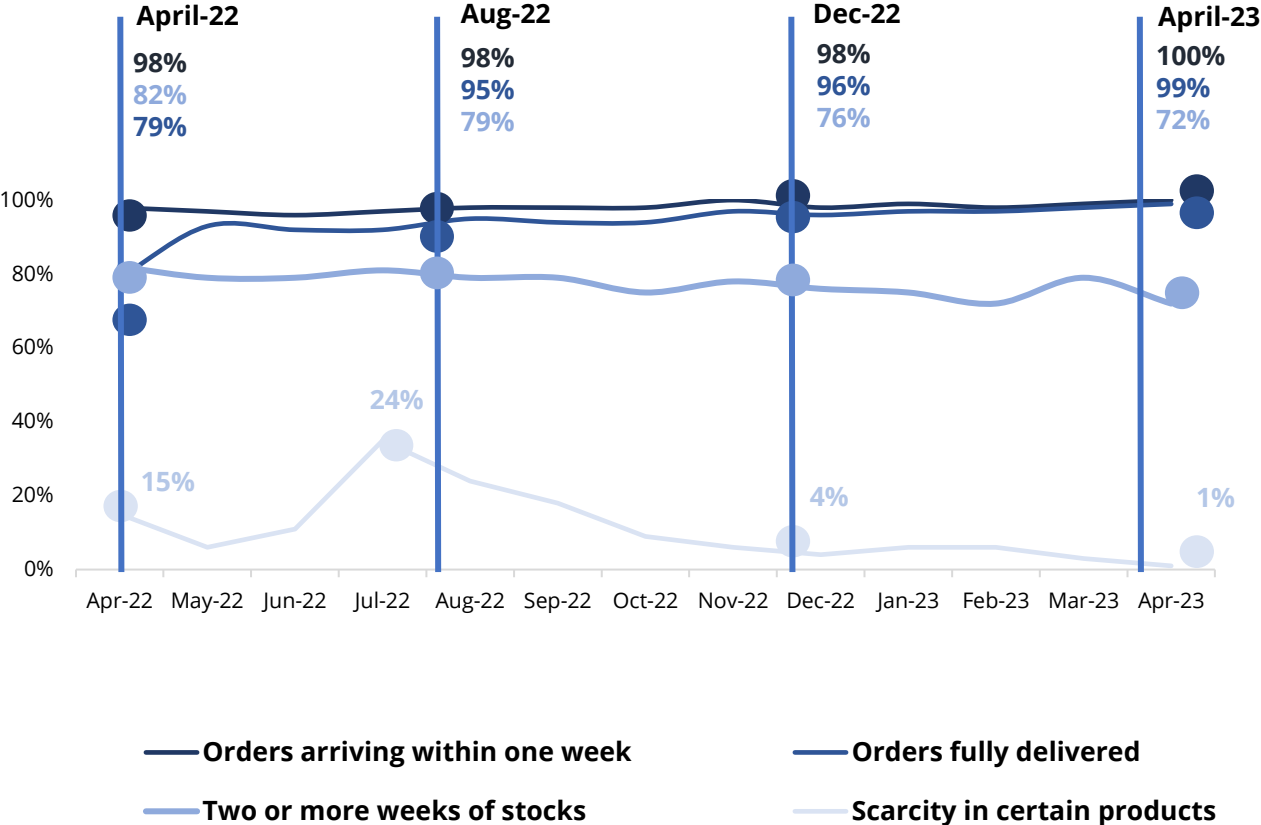
Food Security and Markets Situation Analysis

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SUPPLY CHAIN DELIVERY SYSTEM LEVELS SIMILAR TO PREVIOUS MONTHS

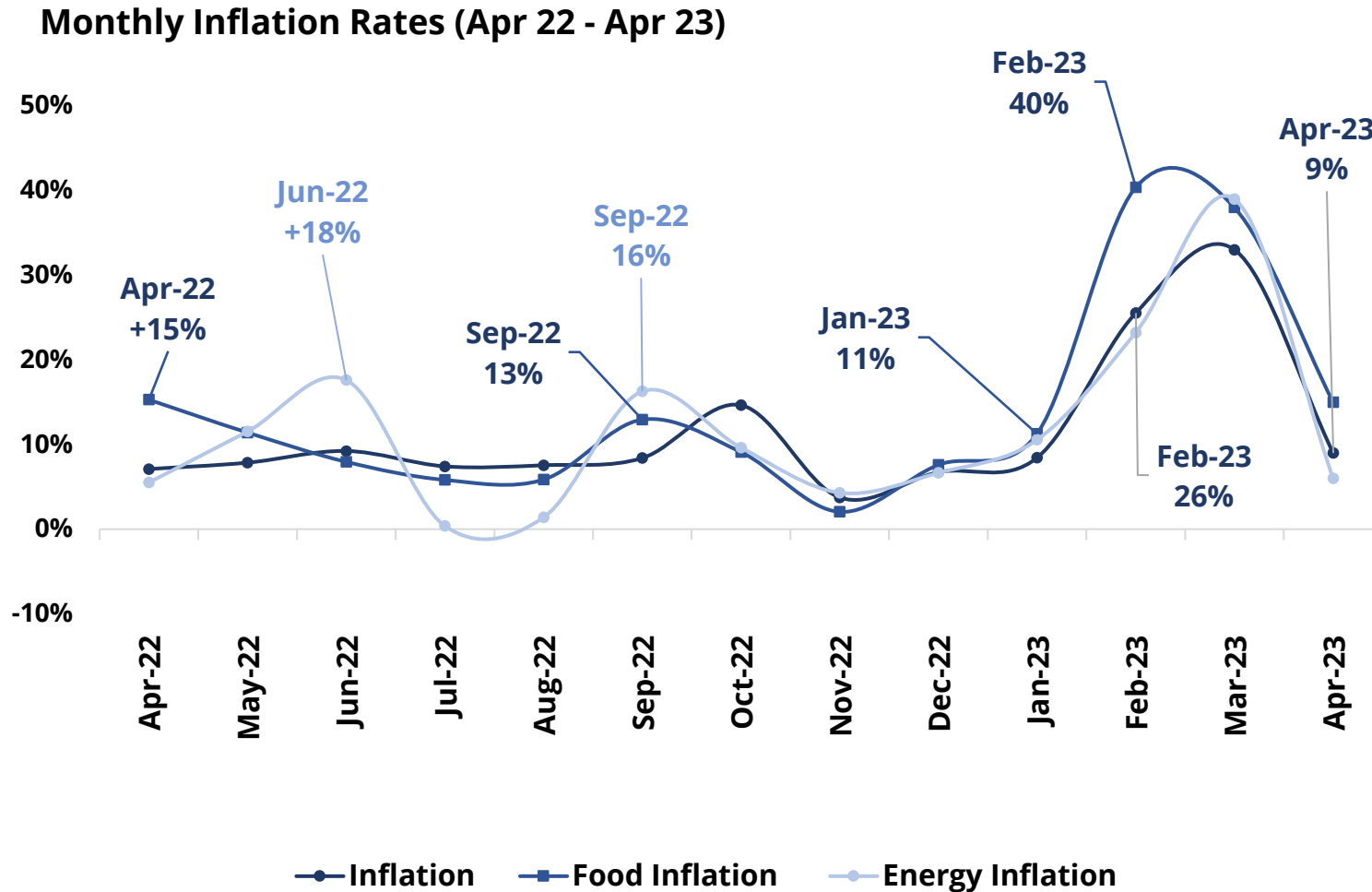
Supply Chain (April 22 - April 23)



- All shops were functional in April 2023;
- Stock levels in April 2023 remain stable;
- Shops with more than 2 weeks of stock coverage at 72 percent;
- Scarcity in products 1 percent, compared to 4 percent in December 2022, 24 percent in August and 35 percent in July 2022, due to bread availability issues;
- Delivery of products within one week affected mainly by fuel availability. Continue to register high levels, at 100 percent in April 2023;
- Suppliers delivering full ordered quantities remains high at 99 percent.

Sources: WFP Retail Unit Shop Phone Survey – as of 30 April 2023

Monthly Inflation



- **Monthly:**

The consumer price index increased by 9 percent between March-23 and April-23, while energy prices increased by 6 percent and food prices by 15 percent for the same time period;

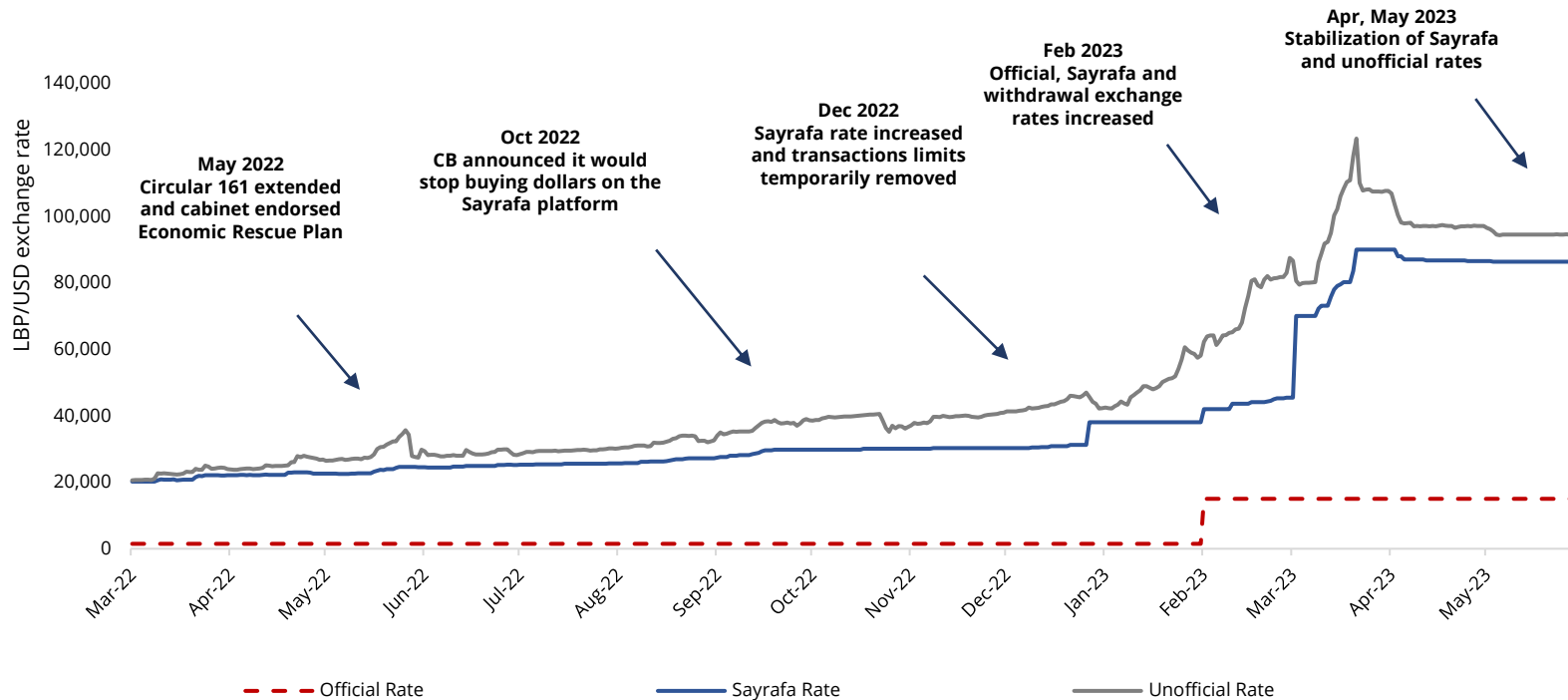
- **Yearly:**

The consumer price index increased by 269 percent between April-22 and April-23, while energy prices increased by 283 percent and the food prices increased by 350 percent for the same time period.

- In the Food Security Update report released on the 20th of April 2023 by the World Bank, Lebanon recorded the highest food price inflation rate globally between February 2022 and February 2023, followed by Zimbabwe.

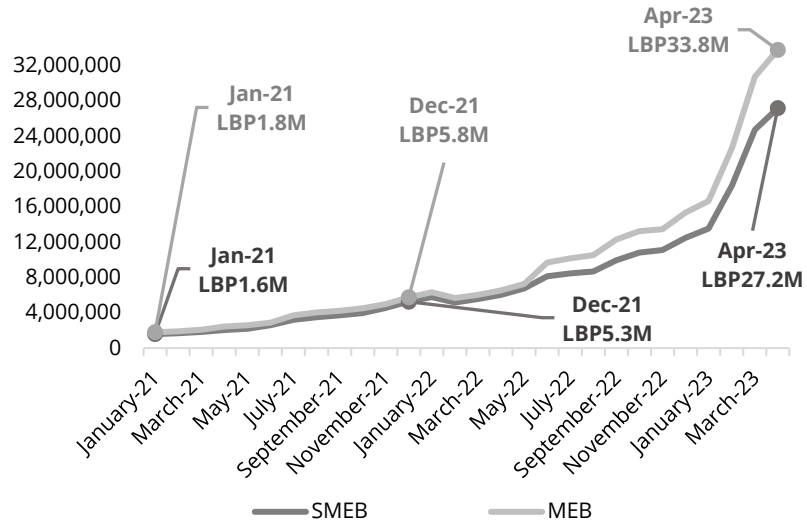
INFORMAL MARKET RATE STABILIZED AT AROUND LBP94,000/USD

Timeline of the Exchange Rates' Variations and Central Bank interventions (Mar 22 - May 23)

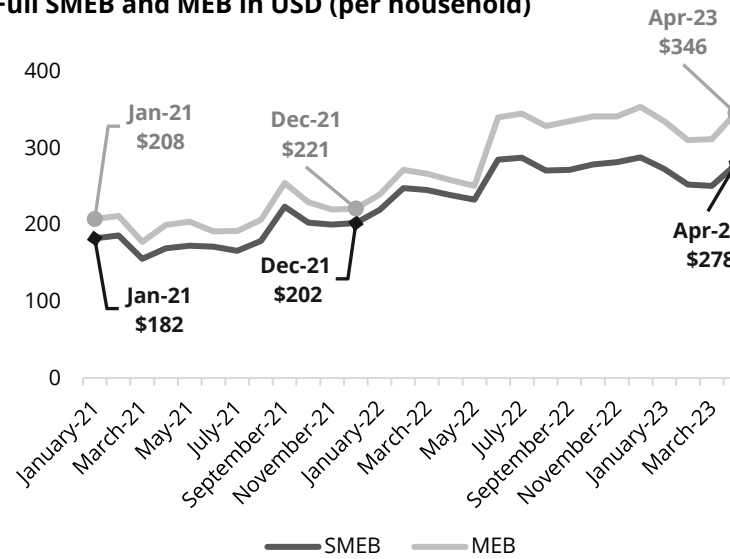


- After losing 49 percent of its value between January and March 2023, the Lebanese Pound gained strength in April as the informal exchange rate descended from LBP116,830/USD on April 1st to LBP94,450/USD on April 30th
- Average informal market rate in April 2023: LBP97,800/USD
- Average informal market rate in April 2023: LBP94,600/USD
- In April 2023, government announced that VAT will no longer be calculated based on the official rate (LBP15,000/USD) as issued through a cabinet decree on April 18, and published in the Official Gazette on April 27

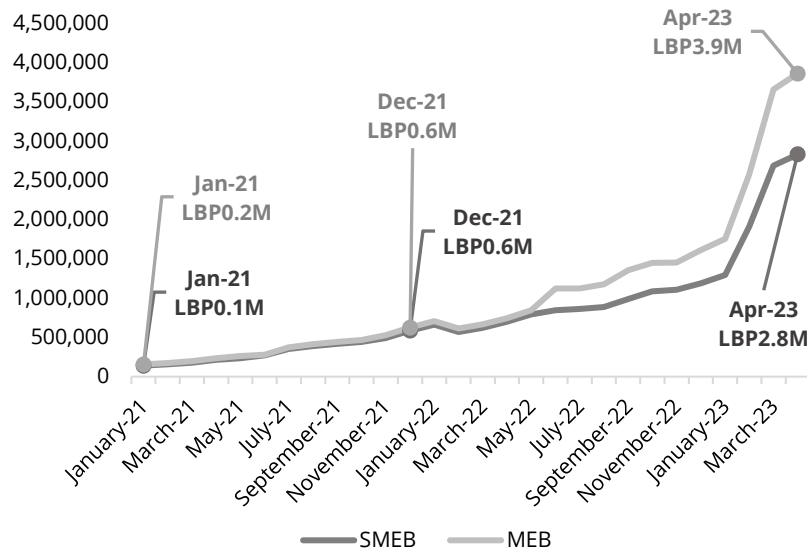
Full SMEB and MEB in LBP (per household)



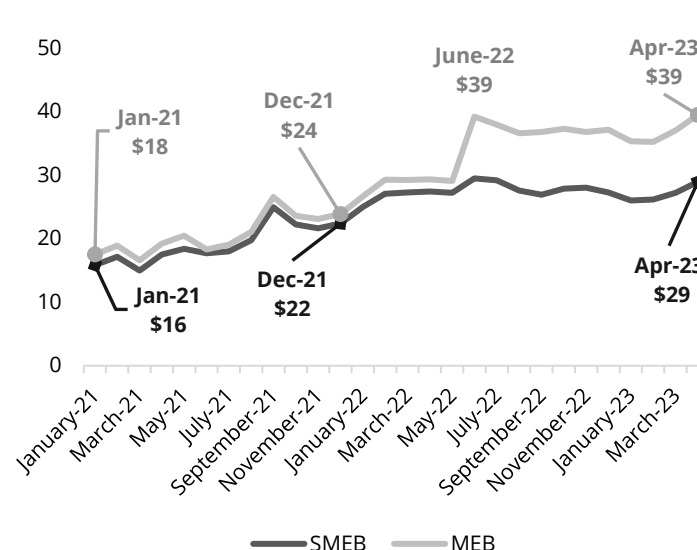
Full SMEB and MEB in USD (per household)



Food SMEB and MEB in LBP (per person)



Food SMEB and MEB in USD (per person)



■ **Food and non-food**

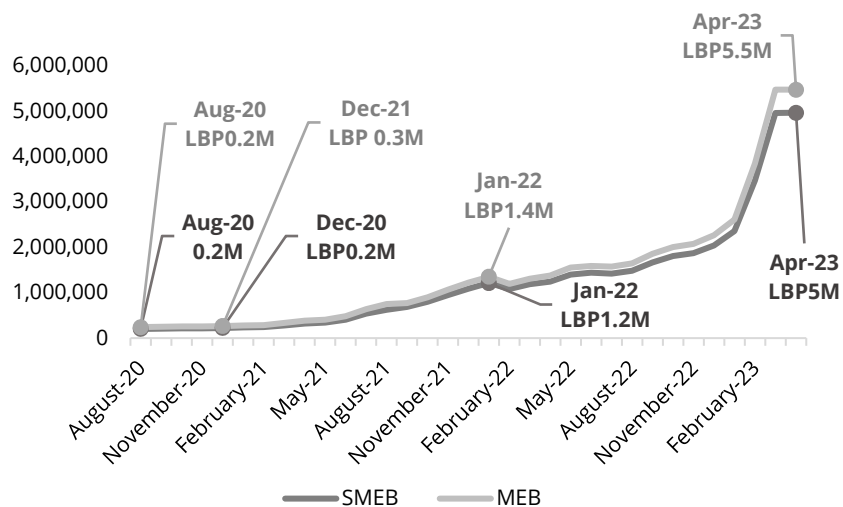
- **SMEB: LBP27.2M or USD278** for a family of five (+10 percent since March-23)
- **MEB: LBP33.8M or USD346** for a family of five (+10 percent since March-23)

■ **Food**

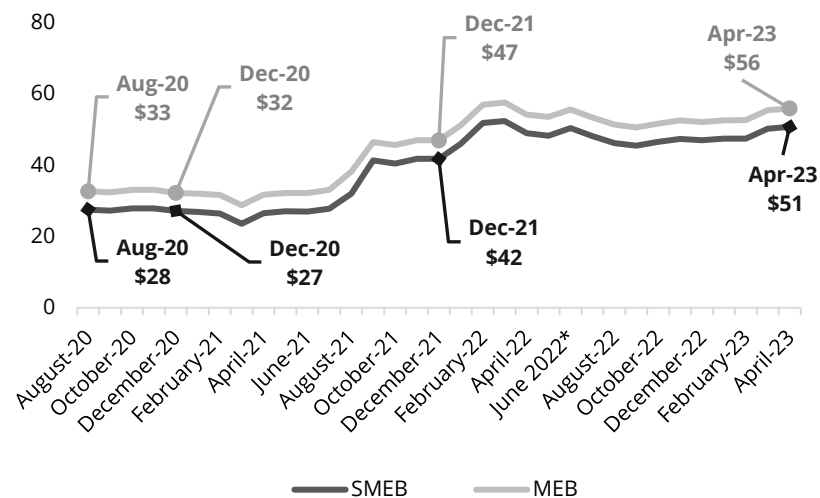
- **SMEB: LBP2.8M or USD29** per person (+5 percent since March-23)
- **MEB: LBP3.9M or USD39** per person (+6 percent since March-23)



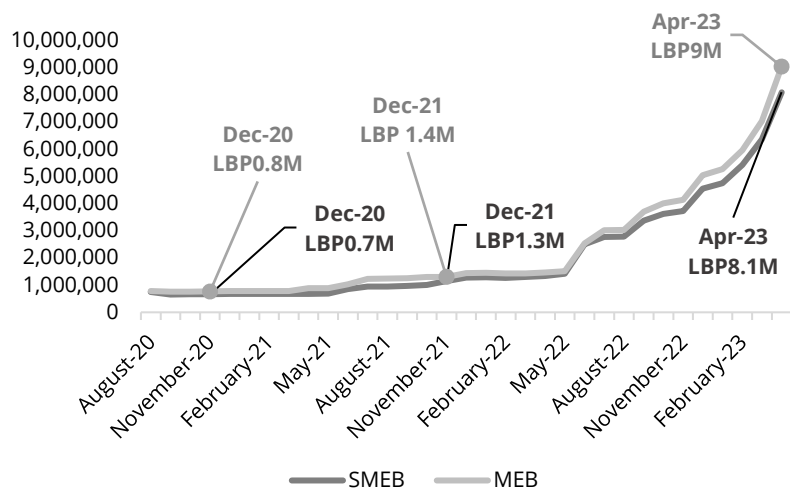
Non-Food Items (NFI) SMEB and MEB in LBP (per household)



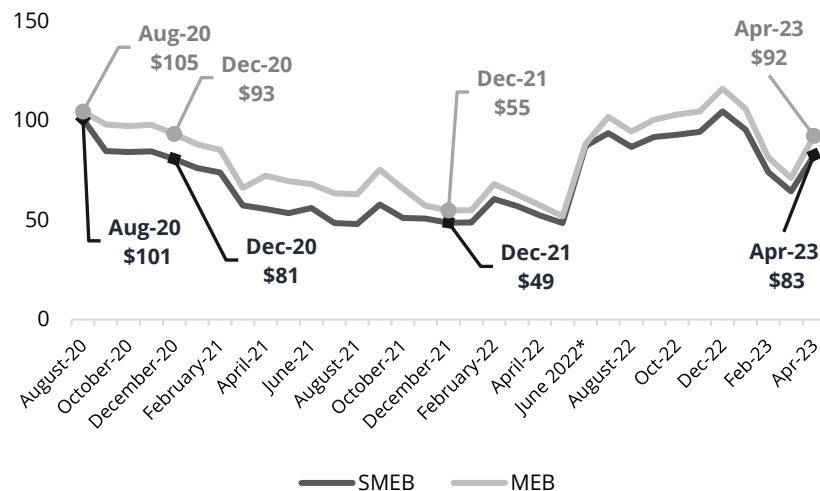
Non-Food Items (NFI) SMEB and MEB in USD (per household)



Non-Food Services (NFS) SMEB and MEB in LBP (per household)



Non-Food Services (NFS) SMEB and MEB in USD (per household)



■ **Non-Food Items**

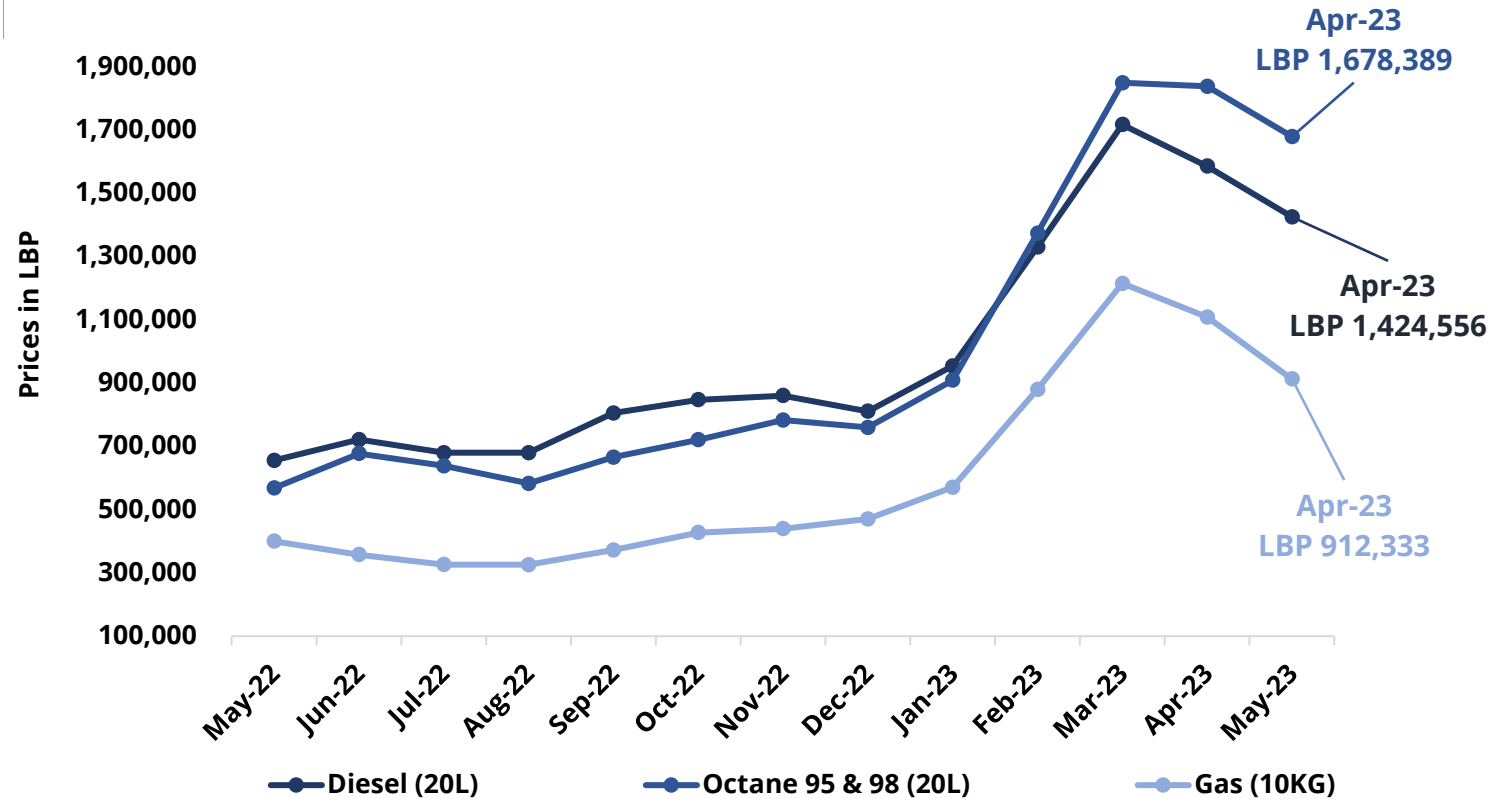
- **SMEB: LBP5M or USD51** for a family of five (no change since March-23)
- **MEB: LBP5.5M or USD56** for a family of five (no change since March-23)

■ **Non-Food Services**

- **SMEB: LBP8.1M or USD83** for a family of five (+27 percent since March-23)
- **MEB: LBP9M or USD92** for a family of five (+29 percent since March-23)

Gasoline prices

Monthly price average (May 22 - May 23)



- Between May 2022 and May 2023:
 - The price of 20 litres of motor fuels (Octanes 98 and 95) increased by 195 percent;
 - The price of 20 litres of diesel increased by 117 percent;
 - The price of a 10Kg gas can increased by 128 percent.
- During April 2023, the caretaker Minister of Energy and Water launched the “Lebanon Fuel Price” electronic application, which provides regular updates of the price of motor fuel (98 and 95 octane), gas cylinder and diesel as well as the exchange rate applied by the ministry.

A woman wearing a blue WFP uniform and cap is seen from behind, working in a market stall. She is surrounded by various fresh produce, including large crates of red tomatoes, bunches of yellow bananas, and green beans. The background shows other people and market stalls, suggesting a busy outdoor market environment. The text is overlaid on the image.

THANKS! QUESTIONS?

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Activity Info

April 2023

- Please remember to also update regularly the service mapping on ActivityInfo

LEB PiN: 1,461,000
LEB Targeted: 1,382,500

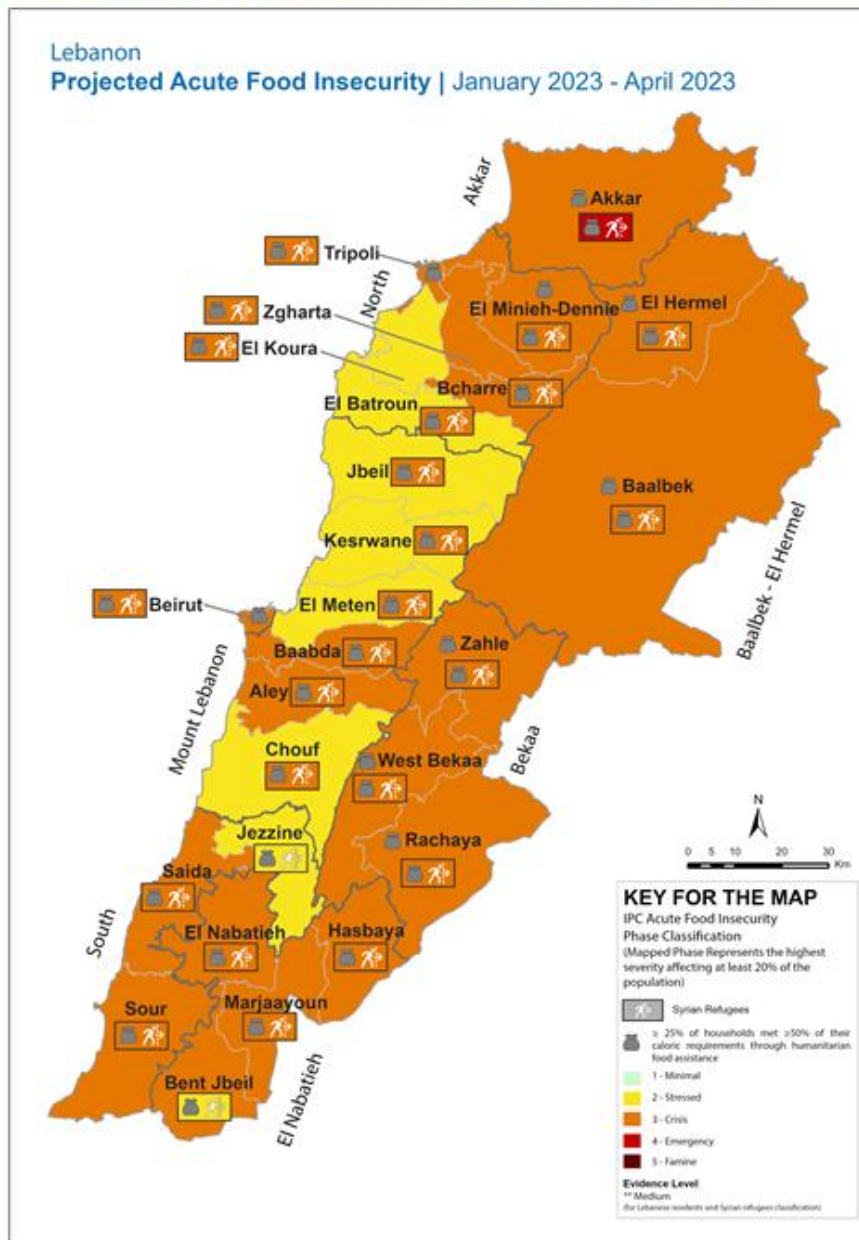
SYR PiN: 1,369,565
SYR Targeted: 1,355,509

Finicial requirement: \$1.2 B

In 2023, 3.1 million Lebanese, Syrian Refugees, Palestinian refugees from Syria, Palestine Refugees in Lebanon and migrants are expected to be in need of food security assistance. High



depreciation, rising food prices, unemployment, wage cuts, and the impact of the conflict have been contributing to further food insecurity in Lebanon. Continuous inflation is further impacting the economy and diversified food production, disrupting livelihoods means.



March Market Monitor

Food SMEB: 1.9 M LBP
Food MEB: 2.6 M LBP

Source: WFP-RAM unit
<https://dataviz.vam.wfp.org/version2/the-middle-east-and-northern-africa/lebanon/overview>

Cohorts Acronyms:
SYR: Syrian Refugees
LEB: Lebanese
PRL: Palestinian Refugees from Lebanon
PRS: Palestinian Refugees from Syria
MIG: Migrants
RON: Refugees of Other Nationalities
OTH: Other

Filters

Assistance

- (All)
- Agricult...
- Food

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- (All)
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Governorate

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Partner

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Month

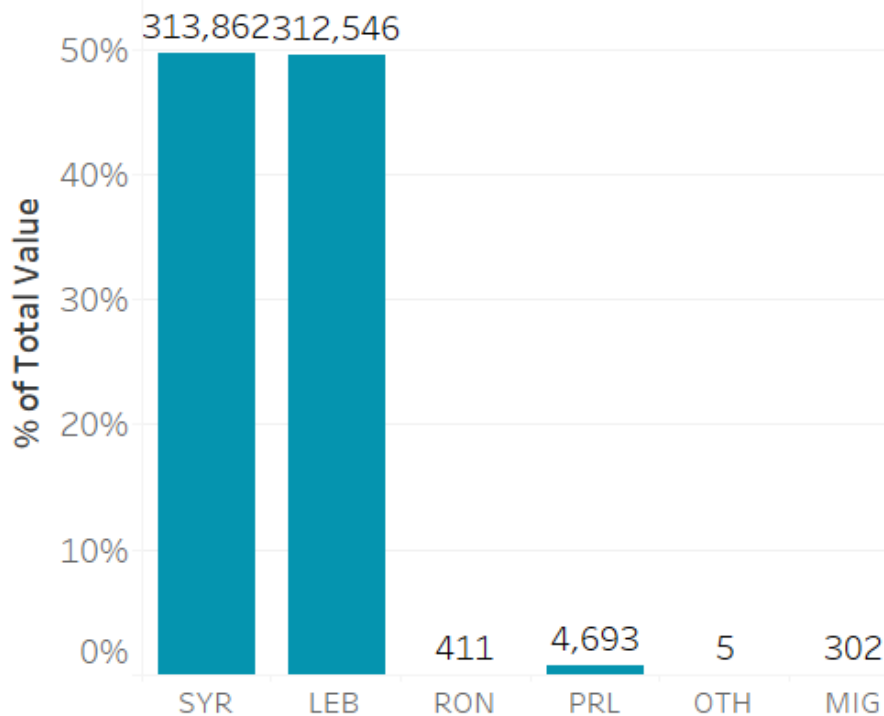
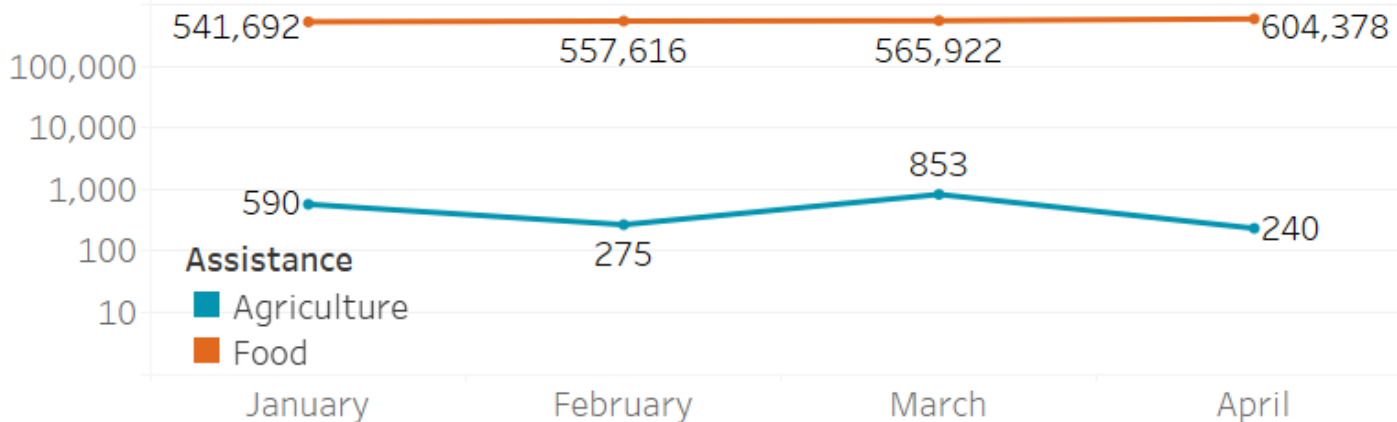
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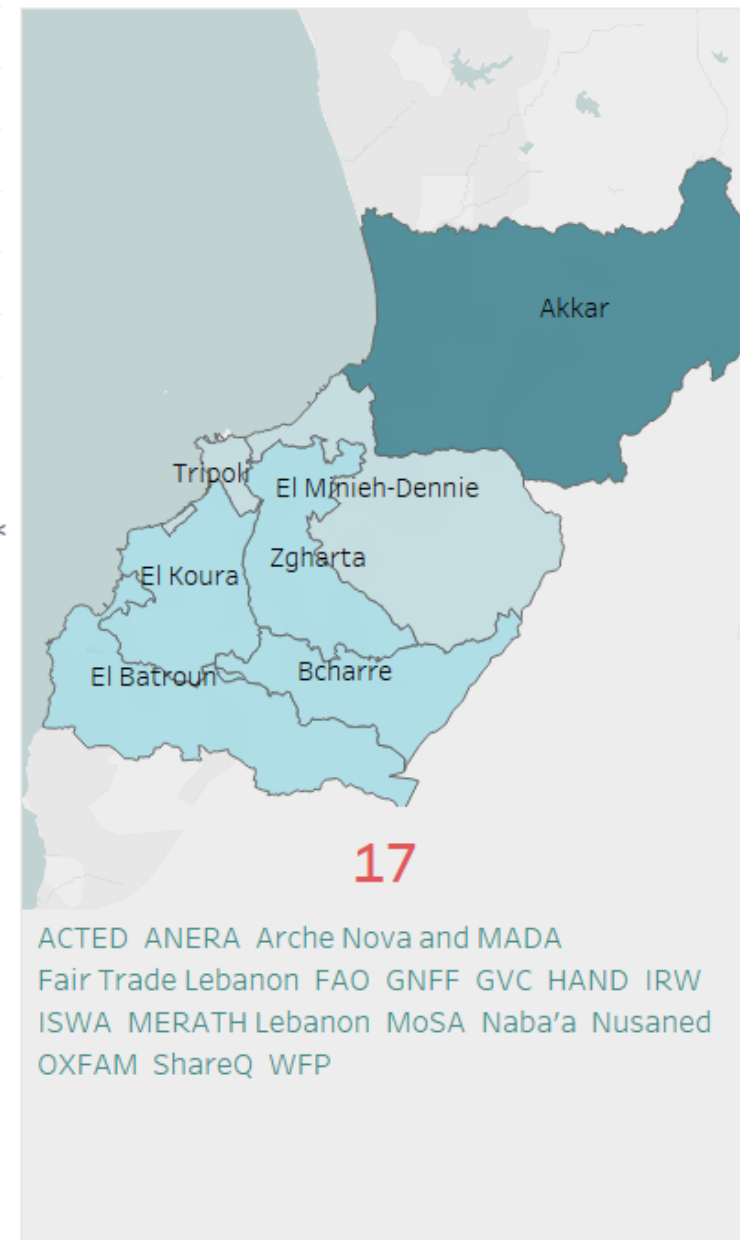
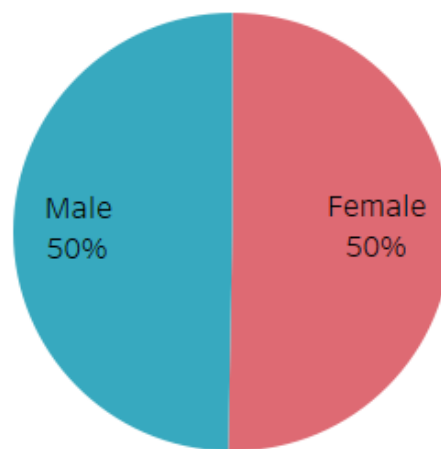
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Total Unique Reached*

629,019



*Total reached doesn't include hot meals nor partial food parcels

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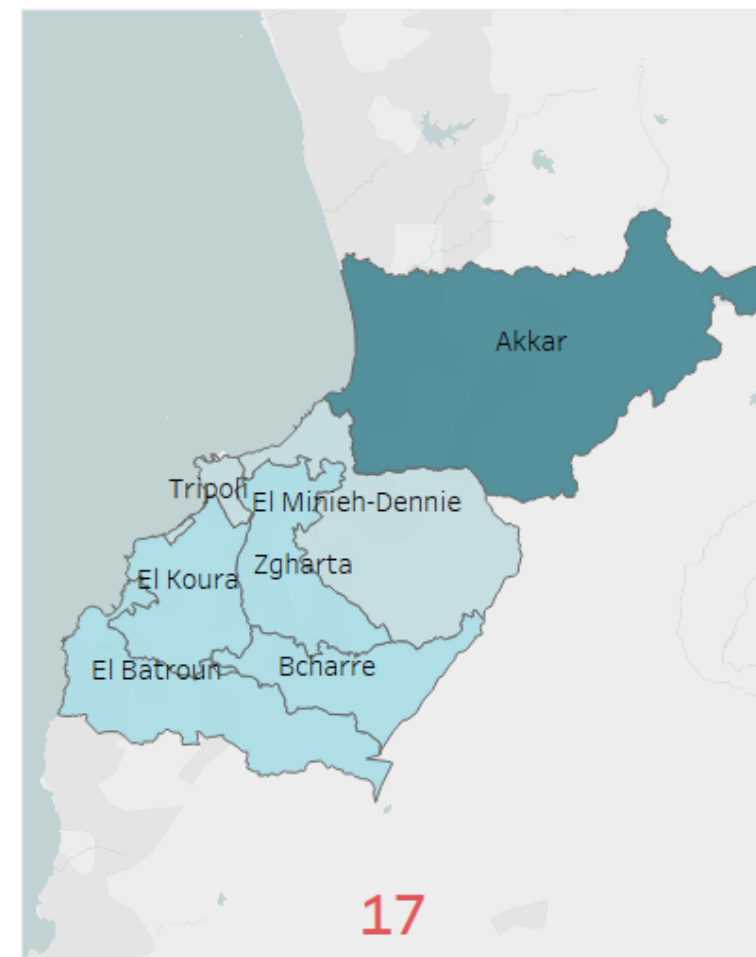
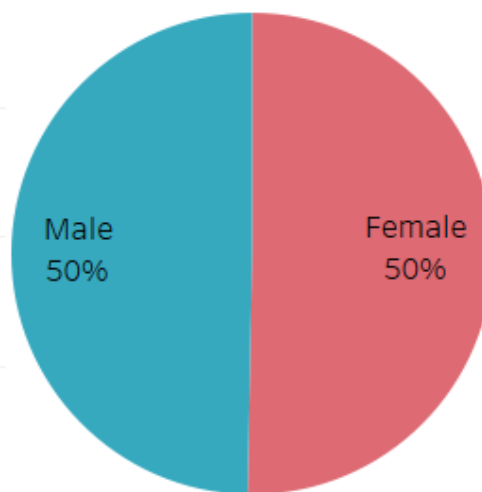
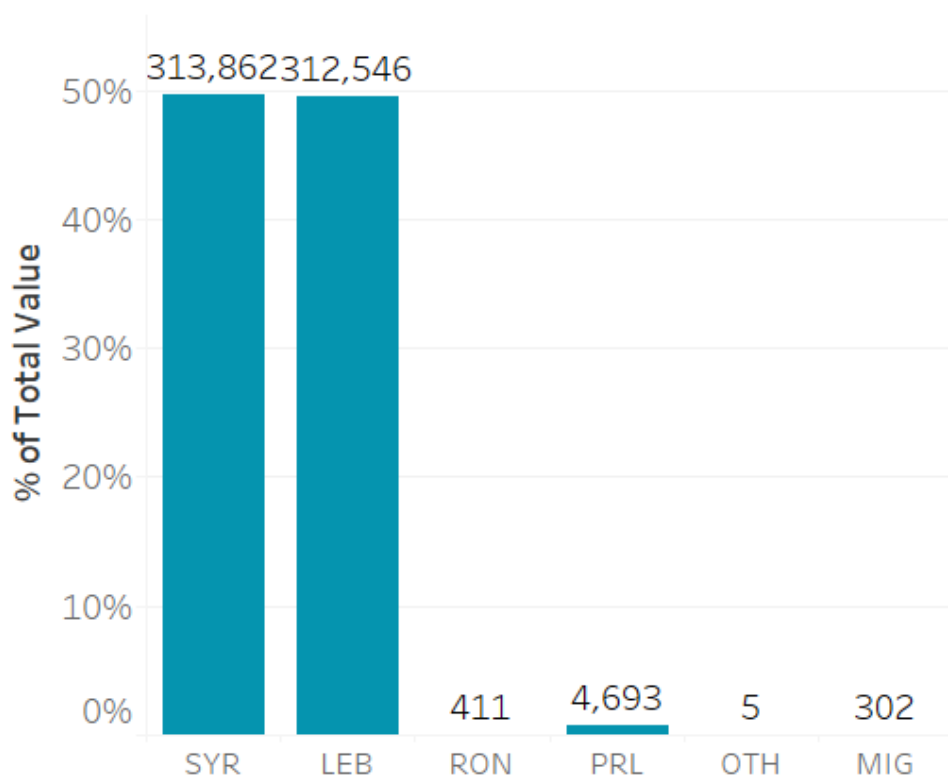
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Assistance	Activity	Month			
		January	Februa..	March	April
Food	FA - Cash/Voucher	436,174	441,367	458,695	461,684
	FA - In-Kind	105,518	116,249	106,127	138,324
	FA - Meals			1,100	4,370
Agriculture	AA - Cash/Voucher	229		128	
	AA - CFA	33			
	AA - In-Kind	226	196	431	
	AA - Training	102	79	294	240
Grand Total		542,282	557,891	566,775	604,618



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Fair Trade Lebanon FAO GNFF GVC HAND IRW
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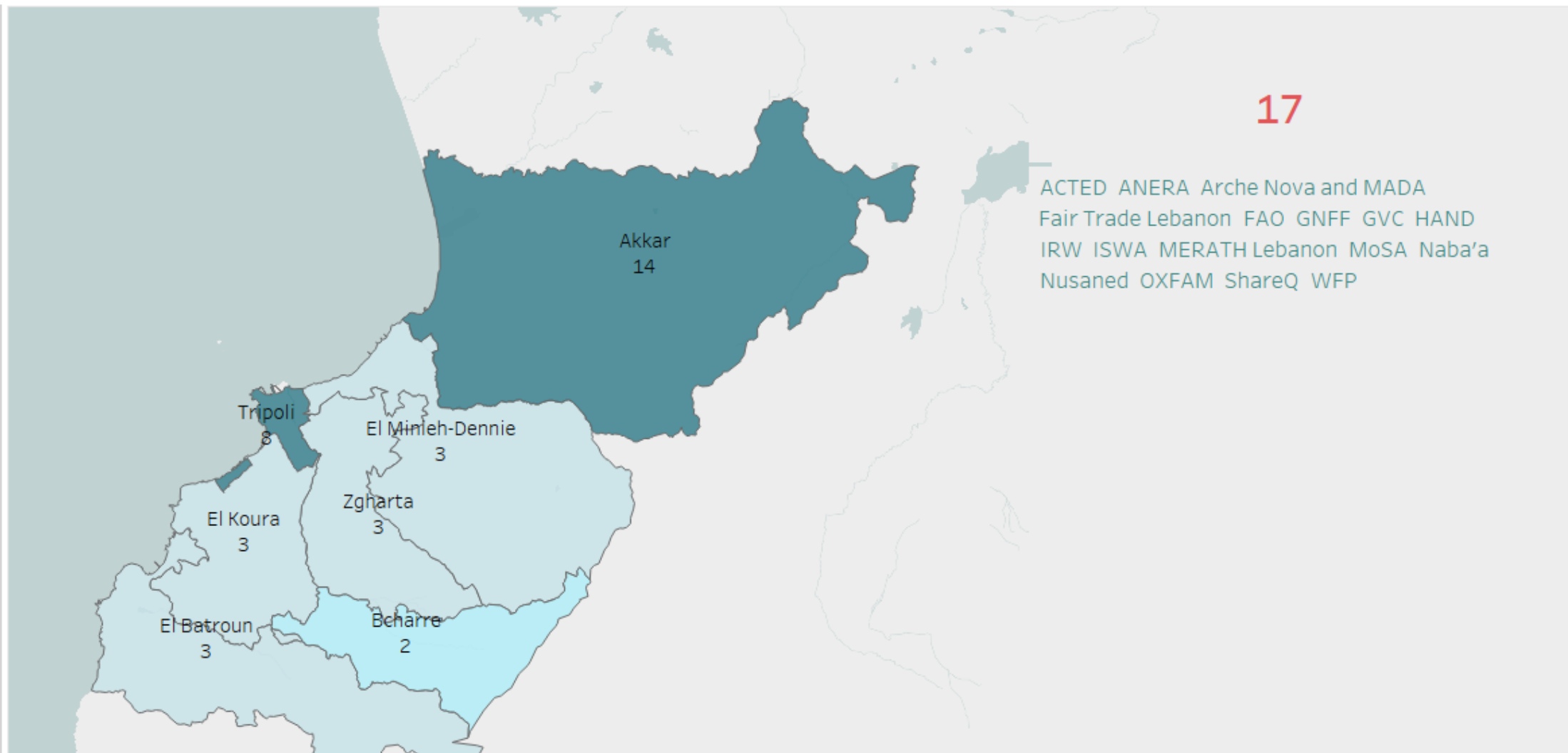
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- North

Governorate

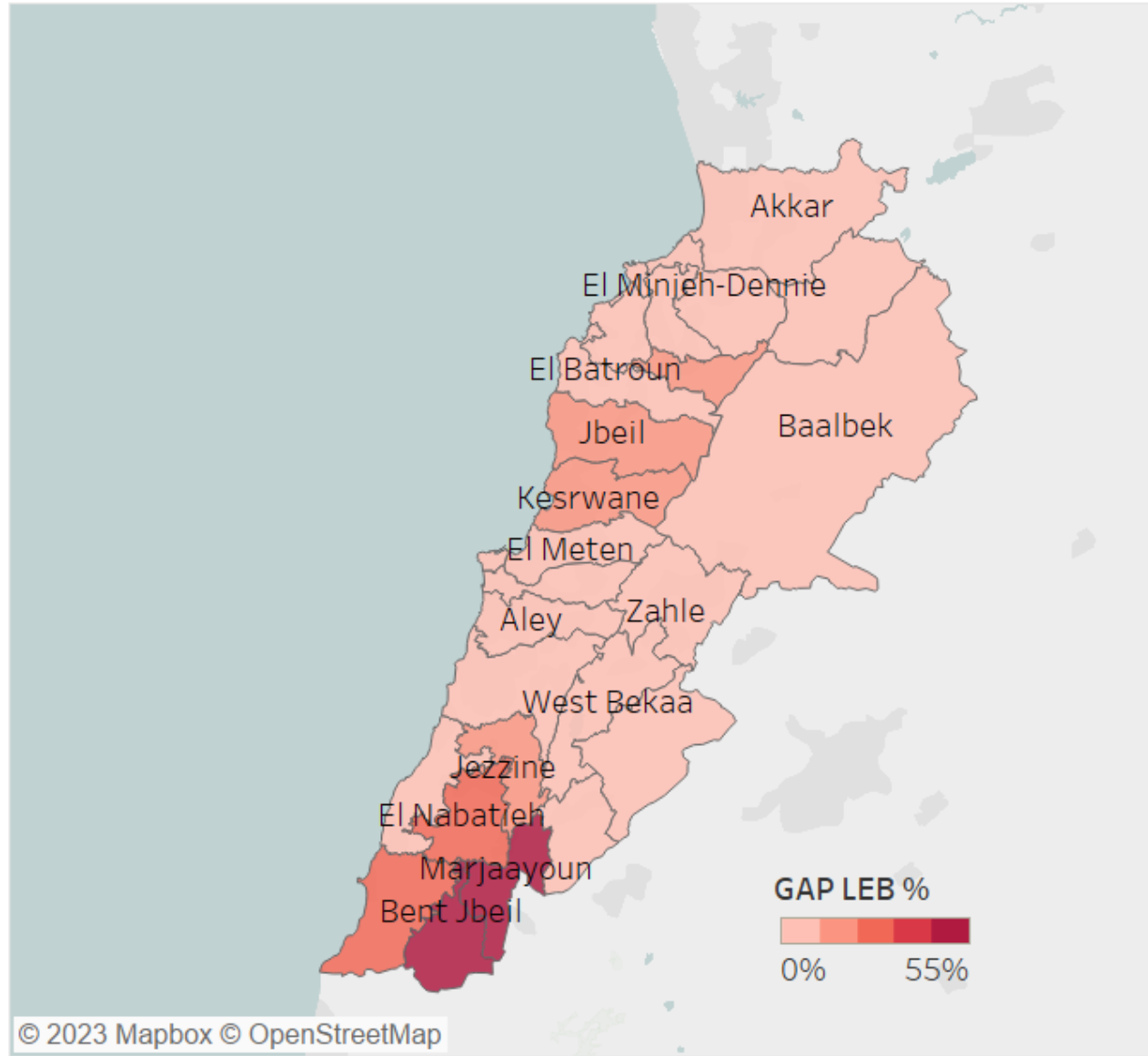
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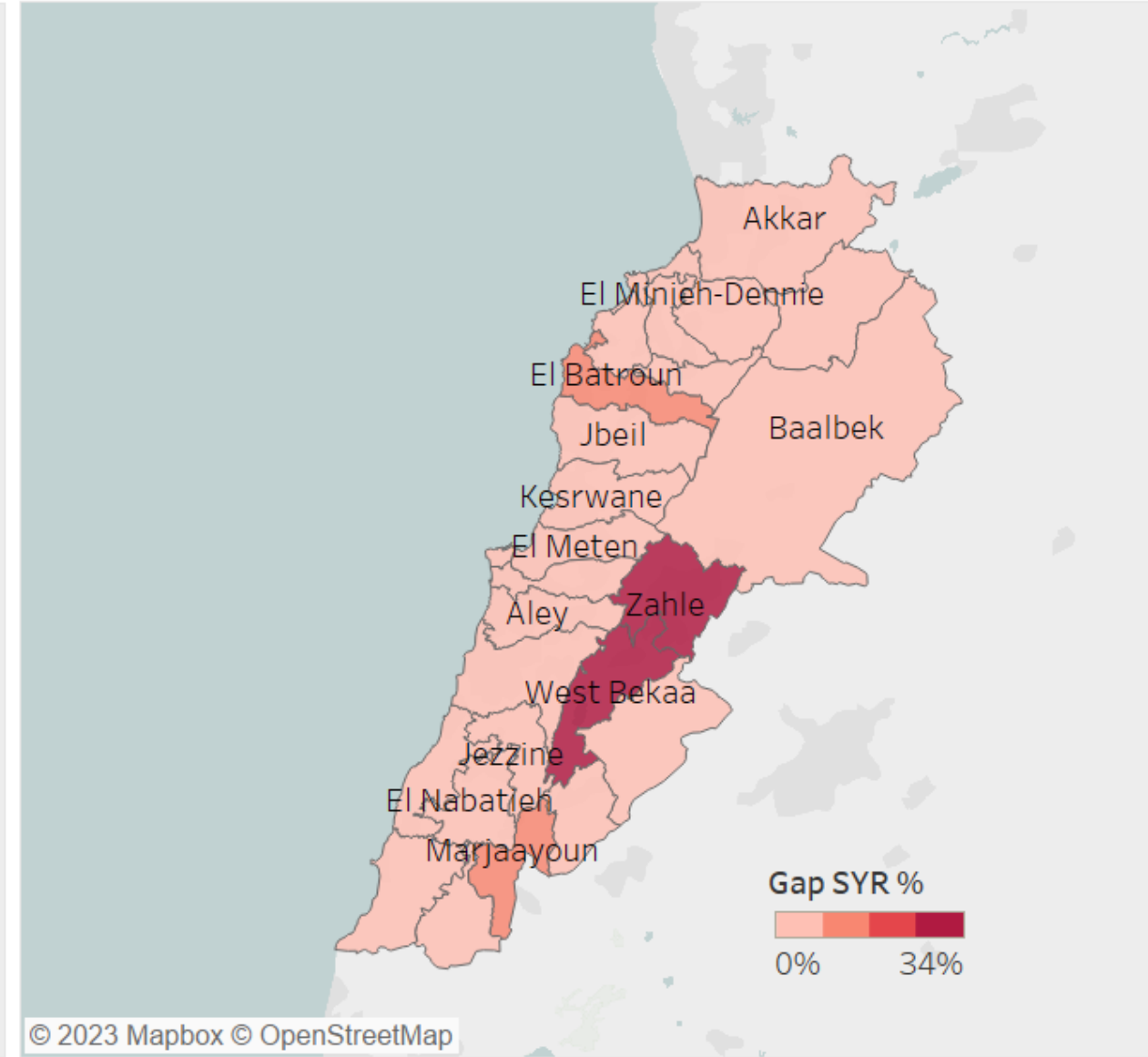
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Gap Analysis* for Lebanese



Gap Analysis* for Syrian refugees



The Gap Analysis is calculated based on people assisted with food compared to the people in need

Agriculture Mapping exercise



- With the request and in coordination with the Ministry of Agriculture
- Mapping of all Agricultural projects that have been recently implemented, currently on-going or planned projects.
- The objective of this exercise is to ensure all organizations and mainly MoA has an overall overview and understanding of the projects in the agriculture sector, to avoid regional gaps and ensure greater coverage of assistance.
- The mapping was done through Activity Info.
- Results of mapping will be shared soon.

LHF first standard allocation for 2023



- The 2023 LHF allocation has been launched. Deadline for submitting projects was 4 June.
- Food Security (\$3.5 million): (Akkar, Tripoli, Zahle + flexibility to implement in Marjeyoun)
- Activities:
 - Food assistance through Cash Based Transfer (Food Vouchers, Financial Service Provider FSP, ATM etc.)
 - Direct food provision through in-kind assistance (dry rations).
 - Fresh food provision (preferred method – cash based).

Akkar:

Prioritized Cadasters: Mhammara, Ouadi Khaled(Amayer), Bebnine, Halba, Mazareaa Jabal Akroum, Berqayel, Machta Hamoud.

Tripoli:

Prioritized Cadasters: Trablous El-Qobbe, Trablous El-Tell, Trablous ElHaddadine, El-Hadid, El-Mhartta, Trablous et Tabbaneh, Trablous EzZeitoun, Mina N3.

- 23 proposals received under Food security.

Integrated Phase Classification (IPC) Acute Food Insecurity (AFI)



The second round of Integrated Phase Classification (IPC) Acute Food Insecurity (AFI) analysis in Lebanon took place between 22 and 31 May 2023.

The IPC is a set of tools and procedures to classify the severity and characteristics of acute food and nutrition crises as well as chronic food insecurity based on international standards.

The workshop was attended by experts including Technical Working Group members and analysts UN organizations, international and national NGOs, technical agencies, and governmental institutions.

The data used in the analysis was organized according to the IPC analytical framework and entails food insecurity contributing factors, outcome indicators, and multiple secondary sources.



IPC Reference Table

Phase name and description	Phase 1 None/Minimal	Phase 2 Stressed	Phase 3 Crisis	Phase 4 Emergency	Phase 5 Catastrophe/ Famine
	Households are able to meet essential food and non-food needs without engaging in atypical and unsustainable strategies to access food and income.	Households have minimally adequate food consumption but are unable to afford some essential non-food expenditures without engaging in stress-coping strategies.	Households either: • Have food consumption gaps that are reflected by high or above-usual acute malnutrition; or • Are marginally able to meet minimum food needs but only by depleting essential livelihood assets or through crisis-coping strategies.	Households either: • Have large food consumption gaps which are reflected in very high acute malnutrition and excess mortality; or • Are able to mitigate large food consumption gaps but only by employing emergency livelihood strategies and asset liquidation.	Households have an extreme lack of food and/or other basic needs even after full employment of coping strategies. Starvation, death, destitution and extremely critical acute malnutrition levels are evident. (For Famine Classification, an area needs to have extreme critical levels of acute malnutrition and mortality.)
Priority response objectives	Action required to build resilience and for disaster risk reduction	Action required for disaster risk reduction and to protect livelihoods	<p>Urgent action required to:</p> <p>Protect livelihoods and reduce food consumption gaps Save lives and livelihoods Revert/prevent widespread death and total collapse of livelihoods</p>		

IPC Global Partners



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Updates from Partners

- LHF partners updates
- Forestry and NRM partners updates
- Food assistance intervention (in kind, cash based, vouchers...)
- Agriculture activities

Partners updates



- **RMF:** The market study in North and Akkar was finalized, 5 Value Chains were selected (onion, pomegranate, aromatic plants, peanuts...) Outreach phase started. The implementation of the project will start in July.
- **PCPM:** Supporting 600 Syrian and Lebanese families in Dreib Gharbe, Dreib Awsat, Akkar chmele and wadi Khaled with Food assistance over 3 months. Target reached. Providing dry food and fresh food including dairy and meat through refrigerated van. It is a pilot project, and the findings will be shared soon.
- **ANERA:** Conducting last round of food distribution and the 4th round of cash assistance distribution. Target for Akkar and Tripoli 1261. This project will end in July.
- **AND:** Planning for 2 community kitchens (one in Jered al Qaitaa and one in sahel area). The project duration is 8 months (4months for al Jered area and 4 months for al Sahel area) starting July. 1000 hot meals /day will be delivered.
Criteria: Women headed household, pregnant women, breastfeeding women, and elderly.

Partners updates



- **Care:** BASATINE has commenced distribution of E-vouchers worth \$500 through OMT for the redemption of agriculture inputs (around 3900 farmers). BATCH 1 has been completed and BATCH 2 will be launched soon. The BASATINE Program has conducted a land tenure study, which is currently under internal review. It will be presented at FSAS WG upon completion.

Gender equality and social inclusion study in North and Bekaa area will be conducted.

The Farm Field Business School/Gender Transformative Approach (FFBS/GTA) will begin next month with care participants.

Regarding the GESI study under the AFDAL project, the GEWE and GESI for the North and South were consolidated in one report as requested by WFP gender department. The report is being validated before publication.

- **WFP:** WFP continue to respond to the economic crisis through the IN-KIND food assistance in partnership with Caritas, DCL and WV. Current Target is 75,331 HHs all over Lebanon with 22,161 HHs divided between Akkar (9,132 HHs) and T5 (13,029 HHs).

The distributions are targeting the multiple districts of Akkar, Minnieh-Dennieh, Tripoli, Koura, Zgharta, Bcharre and Batroun.

Beneficiaries can approach the Cooperating partner's Help Desk which is present at the distribution site or call the Cooperating partner's Hotline.

WFP hotline to any related issue: 1526



***NORTH FIELD OFFICE ECONOMIC CRISIS
RESPONSE FOR LEBANESE (IN-KIND)***



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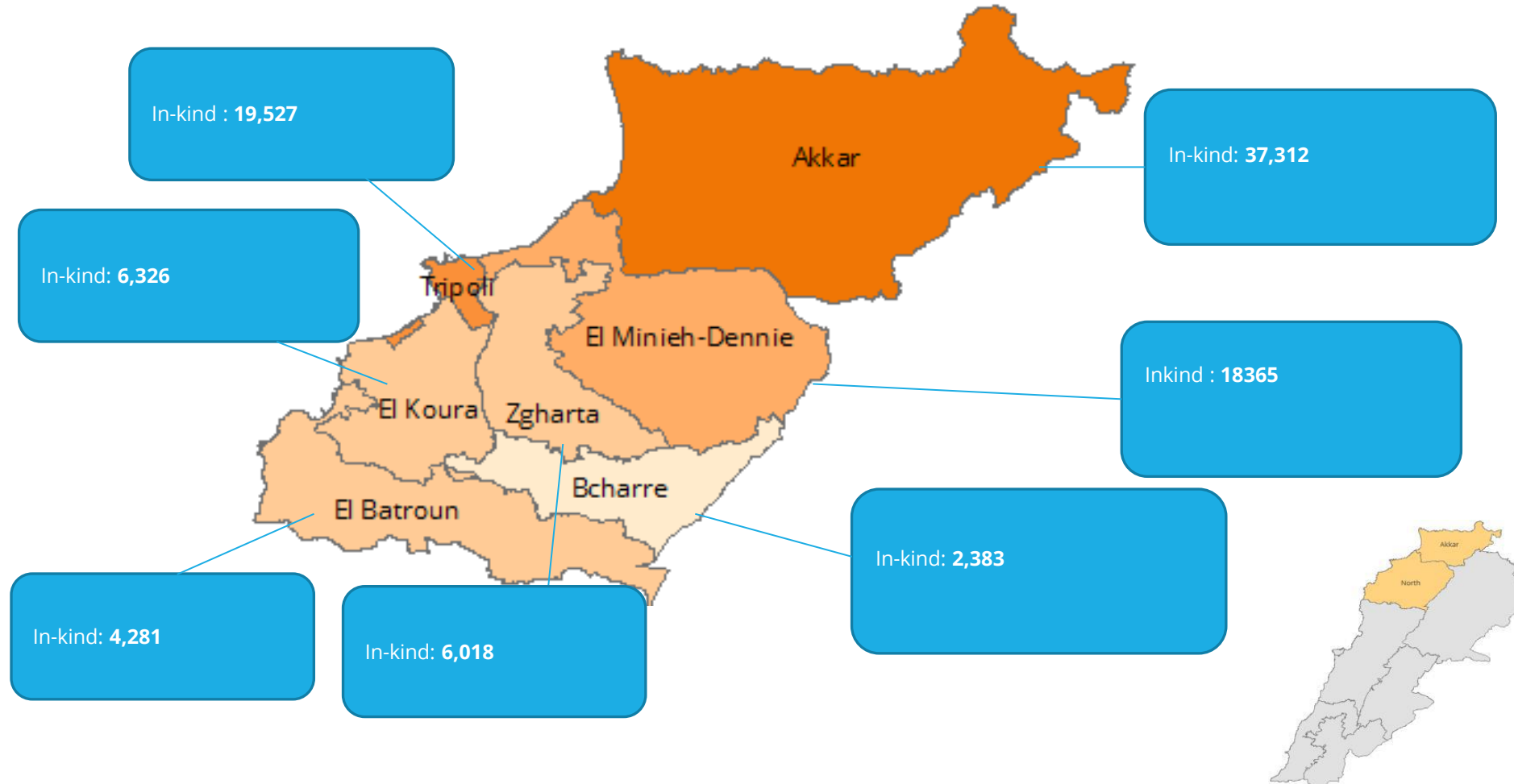
In-kind	Ind 94,212
	HH 22161

1032.397 Metric Tons
Distributed



Tripoli & Akkar Intervention (April 2023)

ESSN: August 2022





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In-kind

Economic Crisis Response for Lebanese

WFP's crisis response supports the most vulnerable Lebanese families to meet their food needs through the **monthly distribution of in-kind food parcels**.



Initially adopted to mitigate COVID-19 related risks, WFP continues to provide in-kind food assistance in the face of inflation and threats to food access and availability.

Based on beneficiary feedback, WFP is optimizing the food basket and frequency of distributions to better meet the needs of assisted households.

WFP implements the economic crisis response in the area covered by **North Field Office** together with its **Cooperating Partners** through a monthly food parcels distribution in T5 & Akkar.

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Caritas

Development Culture and Leadership (DCL)





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In-kind Food Assistance

Economic Crisis Response for Lebanese

- WFP's target through the crisis response is to support 75,600 Lebanese households (Around 300,000 unique individuals) and provide a safety net for the most vulnerable while large-scale social assistance programmes, namely the National Poverty Targeting Programme (NPTP) and the Emergency Social Safety Net (ESSN) scale-up.





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In-kind Food Assistance

CP	HHs reached	HHs Targeted	Individuals Reached	Individuals Targeted	Number of parcels	NO-show rate
WV	9044	9132	37682	37312	19577	0.96%
DCL	8092	8136	37698	37892	19357	0.54%
Caritas	4821	4893	18833	19008	10181	1.47%
Total	21957	22161	94213	94212	49115	0.92%



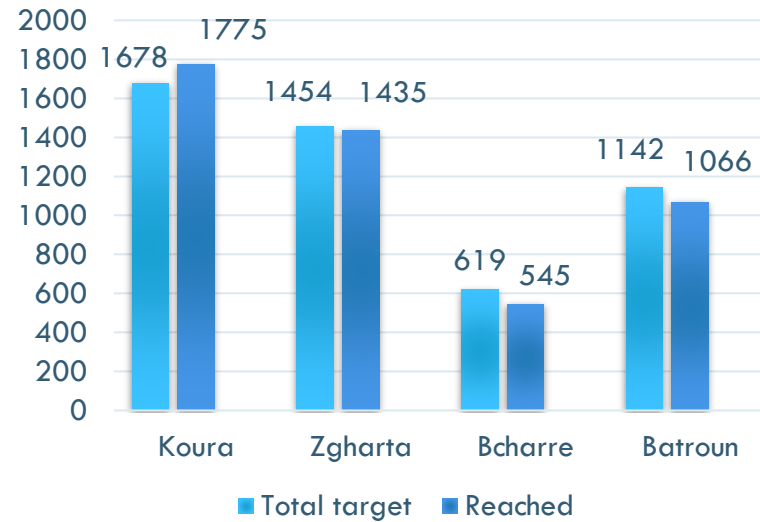


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In-kind Food Assistance

Caritas' Distribution data



Area	No-Show Rate
Koura	-5.7%
Zgharta	1.30%
Bcharre	11.9%
Batroun	6.65%
Total	1.47%



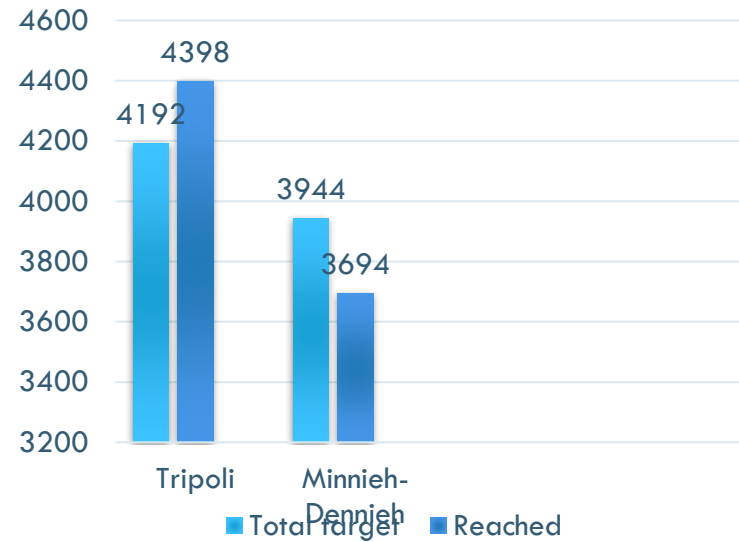


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DCL's Distribution data



Area	No-Show Rate
Tripoli	-4.9%
Minnieh- Dennieh	6.33%
Total	0.54%



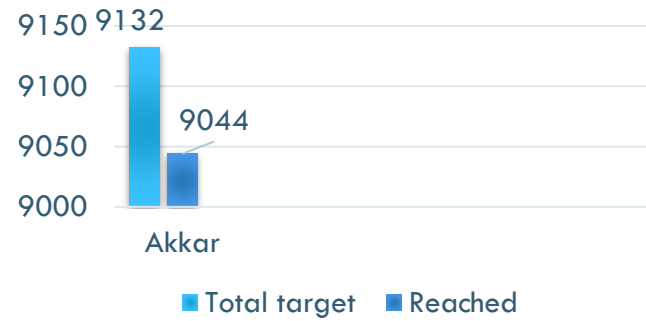


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In-kind Food Assistance

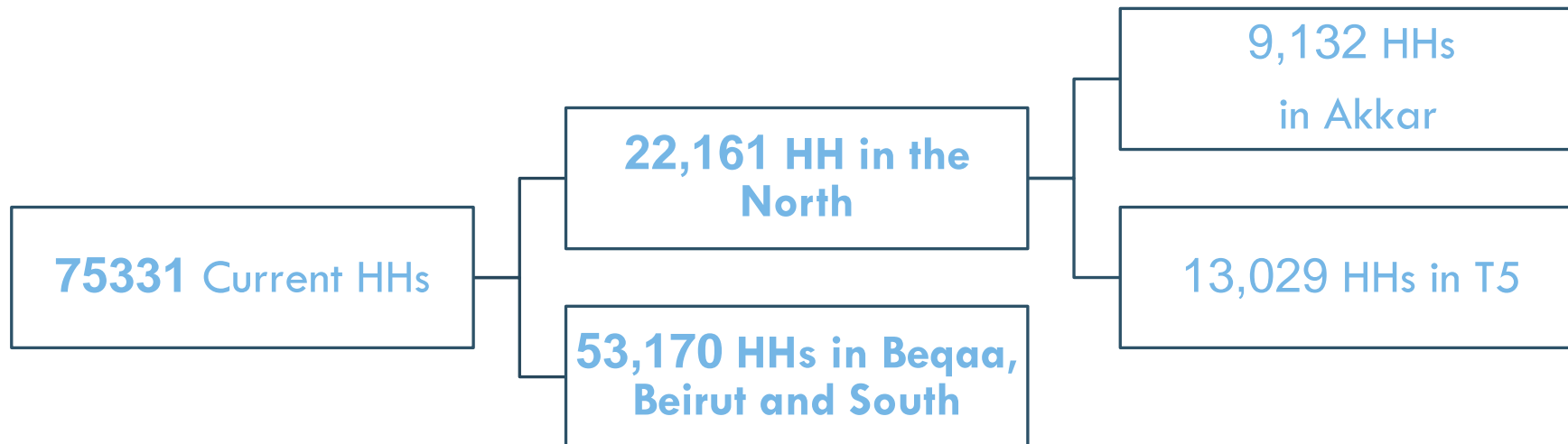
WV's Distribution data



Area	No-Show Rate
Total	0.96%



IN-KIND — CURRENT BENEFICIARIES SNAPSHOT





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The Parcel consists of the following boxes:

Box B2	
Commodity	KGS
Rice, short Egyptian	3
Lentils (whole brown)	4
White beans	1
Pasta, spaghetti	4
Bulgur, Coarse (min 3.5 mm sieve)	3
Sugar, white	1
Chickpeas	1
Canned tuna chunk	1.28
sunflower oil	1.84
Tomato paste (min 24% concentration)	0.4
Salt, iodized	0.5
Total	21.02



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Distribution of the boxes per family size :

Household Size	Box B-2	Total Quantity (KG)
1	1	21.02
2	1	21.02
3	2	42.04
4	2	42.04
5 and above	3	63.06



COMPLAINT AND FEEDBACK MECHANISM

- Beneficiaries can approach the Cooperating partner's Help Desk which is present at the distribution site or call the Cooperating partner's Hotline
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Thank you

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SECONDARY HEALTH CARE UPDATES

31 May 2023

UNHCR REFERRAL HEALTH CARE PROGRAMME CHANGES AS OF 1ST OF MAY 2023

1. Refugee to pay their patient share at Sayrafa rate
2. UNHCR coverage for delivery care to be reduced to 50%
3. Ceiling for coverage of expensive medical interventions to be decreased (12k instead of 15k for NICU & Burn, 10k instead of 15k for other conditions)
4. Coverage support to only those known to UNHCR with an active file

COMMUNICATION WITH COMMUNITIES

- Briefing provided to OV coordinators and NCC operators
- SMS to all persons known to UNHCR
- Q&A on UNHCR health care coverage posted to refugees.org
- Q&A shared via WhatsApp Coms Tree and with Interagency network
- The delivery costs per hospital were shared
- Briefings at sector WGs meetings

PARTNERS SUPPORTING REFERRAL HEALTH CARE

SAMS – Project ended on 29th of May

PU-AMI – reached target by end of May, awaiting additional funding

- Patient share for deliveries of women followed up with ANC at supported PHCCs
- Hotlines:
 - Akkar: 79-105 528
 - T5: 70-109 701

Order of Malta – end of 2023

- Critical cases identified by the MMU
- Coverage as per vulnerability in NDP in Qobayyat
- No referrals

ICRC – in TGH till end of 2025

- Stabilization of weapon wounded patients
- Obstetrical emergencies
- Pediatrics 1 to 5 yrs – under discussion
- Hotline: 76148148

IOM: hospitalization for TB confirmed cases, 100% for all nationalities

- Hotline: 76-888 431

- QRC – in 1 hospital per gov, to start soon
 - cold surgeries for all nationalities
 - 100% coverage
 - Hotline and email for referral to be shared
- IOCC – till end of 2023
 - ECA supporting with patient share up to 90\$
 - Referral by email: akhawaja@iocc.org ; ahleiss@iocc.org
- SCI – till end of 2023
 - Supporting with patient share up to 150\$
 - Referral by email: carla.ibrahim@savethechildren.org; yara.sleiman@savethechildren.org
- Lebanon Aid – till end of 2024 in Orange NGH
 - Target population: all nationalities including stateless
 - 50% coverage of Ortho cases, ENT, General surgery, one day surgery, obstetrical cases
 - For ortho cases, material is covered 70%
 - Ophthalmo mission and Cath lab to start soon
 - Hotlines: 71393927; 71049108; 70160995
 - hindjalloul@lebanon-aid.org ; mostafa.obaid@lebanon-aid.org ; Zaynab.h.obaid@lebanon-aid.org

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Overview and Services

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01 Caritas Lebanon Overview

Caritas Lebanon was founded in **1972**

Caritas Lebanon is a member of Caritas family, known as Caritas Internationalis, **ONE OF THE LARGEST HUMANITARIAN NETWORKS IN THE WORLD** comprising more than **165** Catholic organizations.

Goals and Objectives:

- PROVIDE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
- HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE
- SERVICE & EDUCATION
- SOCIAL ORGANIZATION
- TRANSPARENCY & VISIBILITY
- COORDINATION & COOPERATION

Values:

- LOVE
- GENEROSITY
- RESPECT
- PEACE
- HOPE
- JUSTICE

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SOCIAL ENTREPREISE

10 Primary Healthcare Centers (PHCCs)

9 Mobile Medical Units (MMUs)

- **Drugs distribution**
- **Nursing Care**
- **Diagnostic Exams**
- **Vaccination**
- **Dental Care**
- **Educational Campaigns**
- **Awareness Sessions**
- **Immunization**
- **Home Visits**
- **Contribution to hospital patient share**
- **Psychosocial support Activities**
- **School Health Programs**

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SOCIAL ENTREPREISE

36 social centers covering the entire Lebanese territories

- Social intervention, support and follow up
- Networking, Coordination and referrals
- Support groups
- Community engagement
- Reintegration

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Centers / Shelters / Schools:

- **Cedar** shelter for GBV survivors.
- **OAK** shelter receiving unaccompanied adolescents girls.
- **Laksetha** temporary shelter and community center for migrants.
- **Olive shelter** receiving the female women migrant domestic workers survivors of trafficking, exploitation and abuses.
- **Beth Aleph School** for migrant and refugee children in partnership with the social office of Vincentian Fathers in Achrafieh.
- Presence **24/7** in the **Retention Center for Foreign Detainees** at the **General Security**.

Since 1994, Caritas migrant's department has helped more than **300,000** migrants regardless of their race, religion, ethnicity, and political beliefs.

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Special Education Schools:

- Fghal Center, Jbeil
- Patriarch Sfeir, Zahle
- Hope School, Bhersaf
- Lebbaa School, South Lebanon

Our education programs provide academic, financial, psychosocial, protection, medical, and specialized education services

Our educational initiatives are designed not only to prevent early dropout, delinquency, and child labor, but also to assist students in achieving academic and personal success

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Support local economic growth and market systems to sustain employment and income generating opportunities by strengthening MSMEs (Micro Small and Medium Enterprises) and boost productivity and competitiveness.

Empowering the vulnerable communities by providing them with technical and soft skills to match the current needs of the job market.

Supporting local development initiatives and rural communities by initiating and supporting agriculture and agro-processing projects as well as focusing on renewable energy projects.

Training Centers:

- St John, Jbeil
- Fghal Center, Jbeil
- Centrale, Jounieh (to be launched 1st of April)
- CL Sector, Antelias (to be launched 1st of April)
- Darouna, Furn El Chebbak
- CL Technical School IEFT, Zahle
- Patriarch Sfeir Center, Zahle

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Our Youth adopt the mission of the Catholic Church to serve the poor without any discrimination and promote integral human development, charity and justice.

Services:

- **Organizing recreational activities for children**
- **Organizing activities for the elderly, summer camps for children, environmental events like cleaning beaches and lakes, and rehabilitation of homes and prisons.**
- **Participating in the organization of international events, as well as, sports and school and university fairs and exhibitions.**
- **Providing healthy meals for people in need, visiting the sick at hospitals and awareness of volunteer work.**

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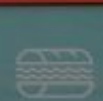
SOCIAL ENTREPRISE

CARITAS SOCIAL EATERY



- U-Feed / Caritas Social Eatery
- Academia / IT Academy
- Caritas Social Housing
- Agro-food center / Deir El Ahmar
- Intajouna

FOR DELIVERY



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03 Caritas Lebanon Services Under Food Security & Agriculture

CASH ASSISTANCE

IN KIND SUPPORT

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- **Under the MFA of Denmark, and with the support of Caritas Denmark, provision of Cash for Work support for agricultural production in Caritas Safe Shelters.**



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- Under WFP, supporting vulnerable Lebanese households struggling with food insecurity and limited financial resources with a safe and nutritious yearly food supply.
- Distribution of **1000** food Parcels per month, over a period of 10 months, through CL 36 sectors.
- Distribution of Food parcels to teachers and students under CL Education Centers.



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- Provision of meals (3 times per day) to Detainees at the General Security Retention Center
- Under the MFA of Denmark, and with the support of Caritas Denmark, distribution of safe hot meals through our Caritas Social Eatery/U-Feed for around **11,000** beneficiaries in **5** regions of Beirut and CL Safe Shelters.
- Distribution of **900** Hot meals on weekly basis from our Caritas Social Eatery/U-Feed since 2020.



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ACCESS TO SUSTAINABLE EMPLOYMENT (ASE)

The project consists of a 24 months intervention to equip youths in Beirut, Mount Lebanon, and Bekaa with the skills and links needed to (re-)enter the labour market either as micro-/small-business entrepreneurs or as skilled employees.

The project further seeks to empower the youths (50% Syrian refugee youth and 50% other conflict-affected youth, equally targeting men and women) and increase their self-reliance thereby minimizing negative coping strategies, protecting them from exploitation, and improving their mental health.



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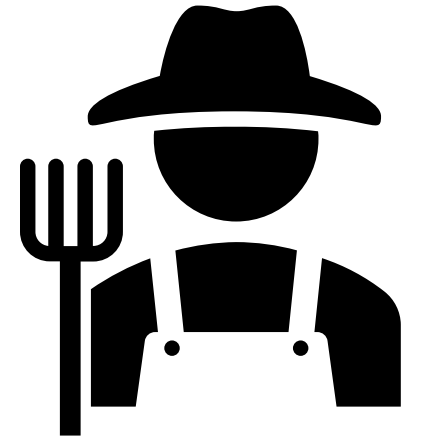
ACCESS TO SUSTAINABLE EMPLOYMENT (ASE)

Under the sector of Agriculture and Agro-food, youths are receiving:

- **SOFT SKILLS TRAINING**
- **TECHNICAL VOCATIONAL TRAININGS (TVET)**
- **EMPLOYABILITY TRAINING**
- **BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT TRAINING**

The TVET Training will allow youth to:

- Understand the agriculture sector in Lebanon, its strength, and its challenges
- Earn basic farming skills such as : pruning, irrigation, fertilizing, planting...
- Understand the agri-food sector in Lebanon and be introduced to the job opportunities in this sector
- Be initiated to different food processing techniques that require innovation and low financial investment
- Be initiated to the basics of agri-food businesses and how to start one.



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- **Setting up of Green Houses in Safe Shelters and Provision of Agricultural Trainings and Production to Migrants and Refugees. Under the MFA of Denmark, and with the support of Caritas Denmark.**



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تعاونية المحبة لتصريف الانتاج الأهلي

INTAJOUNA

Established by Caritas Lebanon in 2005

Intajouna takes a variety of rural natural products from Deir El Ahmar agro-food center and other farmers.

Objectives:

- Help local Producers and Farmers move from a position of vulnerability to security and economic self-sufficiency
- Promote the production and consumption of traditional, natural, and healthy Lebanese products
- Generate income for re-investment in the Cooperative of Charity

Beneficiaries:

- Farmers and small cooperatives
- Women working at the Deir El Ahmar Agro-food processing facility
- Suppliers of raw materials (sugar, salt, containers...)
- Region of Deir El Ahmar and North Bekaa
- Lebanese household consuming high quality natural products



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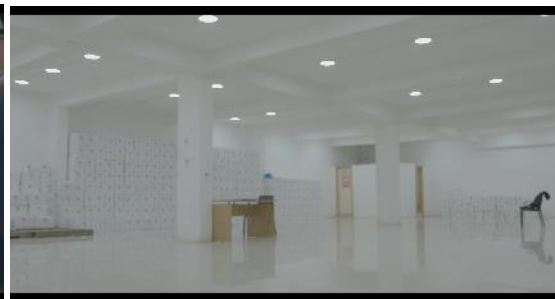


- Emkan for Sustainable Development is a Lebanese non-governmental organization (NGO) that was initially established in **2008**. Emkan mainly operates in Northern region of Lebanon.
- Emkan engages in **community development** by improving the livelihoods of **marginalized** people by **stimulating** economic activities through the implementation of **sustainable projects** and **capacity building**.
- We focus on integrating **local resources** throughout the entire **supply & value chains**.



In 2021, due to the deteriorating situation in Lebanon Emkan's activities were increased to include **charitable** work, including:

- Food Security
- Disaster Relief
- Childcare
- Medical Aid
- Covid Response and Vaccination
- Financial Support



Areas of expertise

Agriculture

1. Full development of lands to yield various crops that are in line with European Regulations
2. Provide assessment visits & training activities to farmers
3. We work with MoA & Army in the protection of lands from widescale fires and pathogens
4. Introduced new apple varieties in 75 new pilot orchards
5. Established 34 pilot (avocado, apples and cherry) orchards in partnership with USAID
6. Cattle & goat farms (under development)
7. Cultivation of animal feed & wheat (under development)
8. Hydroponic farming (under development)
9. Shrimp and sea-bass farms (under development)
10. Forest trees and fruit trees nursery (under development with MoA)



Areas of expertise

Agro-Industry

1. Emkans owns Berrad Feideq, the only cold storage facility in Fneideq and adjacent areas (High end & most affordable) with a capacity of 1100 Tons
2. We are currently expanding the facility to start processing fruits into various products (damaged apples – small sizes undesirable for trade)
3. Emkan owns a sorting facility (in addition to 6 cold storage rooms and a packaging zone) in the area of al A'abda, this facility can be used to help local farmers package, market and export their products.
4. Emkan made an agreement with the MoA to renovate and operate a hangar located on Al'Abda's main road to showcase local products
5. Emkan made an agreement with the MoA to renovate and operate 2 milk collection facilities (one in Wadi Khaled, the 2nd in Al'Abdeh) located in critical locations that house thousands of farmers with no access to sell their milk but exploitive traders who force them to sell milk cheaply.
6. Dairy factory (under development)



Areas of expertise

Trade & Export

1. Emkan is trying to reach new markets to sell local products (fruits & vegetables (directly from farmers), dairy products, processed and home-made products), this includes the support of household production, branding, quality control and marketing. This project is paired with an initiative to provide women working at home with ingredients, packaging and tools to produce high quality products, which will then be sold by Emkan on behalf of them
2. In 2021, Emkan bought 10% of the apple yield in Fneideq and adjacent areas. This move was done to support farmers financially and break the exploitation cycle enforced by brokers as the apples were bought with a high price, therefore increasing the standard price and offering an alternative.
3. We faced 4 problems:
 - A. A large amount of the product is visually undesirable (that is why we are: 1. initiating agro-processing, 2. finding new markets).
 - B. The 3rd problem is ill-practices when it comes to picking up and storing of apples & fruits which results in damaging them (we are teaching farmers in best practices of picking, sorting and storing).
 - C. Challenges in shipping
 - D. Competitive prices from other countries
4. Emkan owns Souk Akkar, the only wholesale market in the area (76 shops) for fruits and vegetables, which acts as portal for the second largest agricultural production area in Lebanon. This market helps sustain the development of both farmers and traders in the Northern region. This facility is great to source fruits and vegetables for the best prices (although we aim to directly source all products from farmers directly)



Areas of expertise

Research & Development

1. Emkan owns Akkar's agricultural center which covers an area of 22,000 m2. This project was funded by the Kuwaiti Fund for Arab Economic Development.
2. We are planning to turn this center into a **development cluster** that houses NGOs and INGO's that work in the development of the Northern region especially in the domain of agriculture, agro-tech, agro-industries, SME's, incubators, COOPs and accelerators.



Action points



- Partners are encouraged to report on AI on monthly basis.
- CIL and AND will provide presentations on their projects.
- Next FSAS WG will be conducted at the premises of MoA in Abdeh.