

April 2020 updates

In April 2020, the humanitarian community recorded about 105,000 spontaneous IDP returnee movements in different locations across Syria. This was a significant increase compared to previous months, (where the average return movements during the previous 12 months were about 33,000),

This is most likely due to the relative calm observed on the ground following the announcement of a ceasefire agreement in early March. IDPs who have been displaced from western Aleppo and Idlib governorates began to gradually return to their areas of origin.

For this month, 98% of all return movement occurred within and between Aleppo and Idlib governorates.

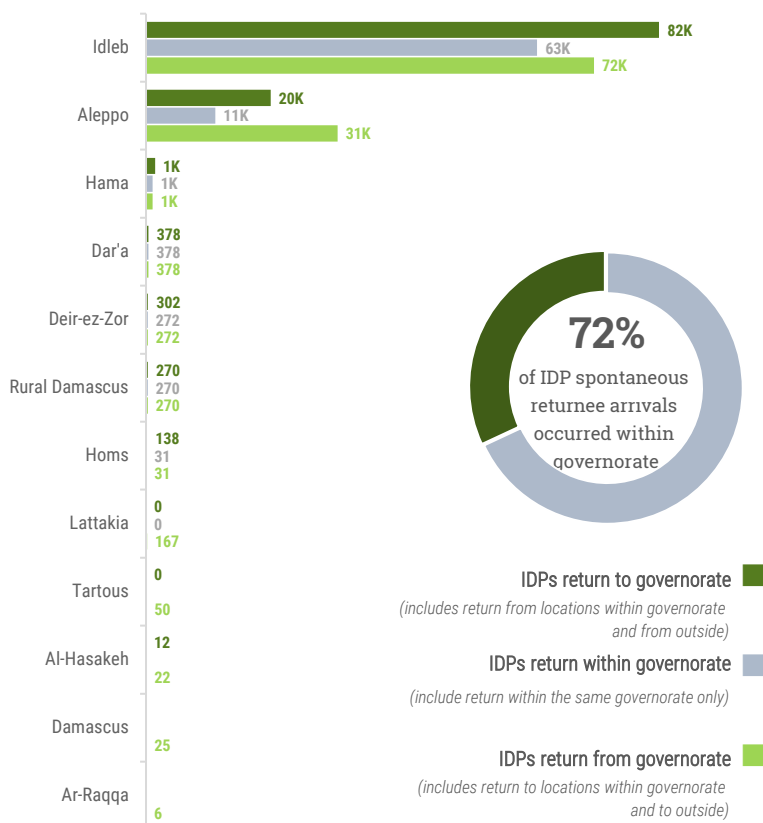
At sub-district level Ariha sub-district received about 40 thousand spontaneous IDP returnees while adjacent Ehsem sub-district received about 14 thousand spontaneous IDP returnees, which means that more than 54 thousand people (52% out of total returnees) arrived to two adjacent sub-districts. In addition, more than 12 thousand spontaneous IDP returnees arrived in Atareb sub-district.

At the community level, Ariha received about 20 thousand spontaneous IDP returnees, Arateb received 4,300, while Daret Azza, Sarmin and Rami received about 3,600 spontaneous IDP returnees each.

Notes

- The returns refer to IDP spontaneous returns and do not necessarily follow the global definitions of 'Returnees' or durable solutions for IDPs.
- The IDP spontaneous returns include IDPs returning to their homes or communities of origin.
- The IDP spontaneous returns term used in this monthly report refers to the return movements occurred in the reported period only.
- The process of verification is based on triangulation of verified IDP spontaneous returns reported by different mechanisms and further examined by the IDP TF through cross-checking population numbers from previous years.

Governorate summary



IDP spontaneous returns map

(K: thousand)

