

# North West Syria (NWS) Operational Factsheet August 2024



**2M**  
IDPs in sites



**373K**  
Total families



**1,528**  
IDP sites

Data source: ISIMM Dashboard

## Overview situation

The CCCM Cluster has revitalized operational discussions and bi-weekly technical meetings with local authorities in Aleppo and Idlib governorates to harmonize IDP data, site names, and typologies. Key developments include: prioritization of 20 IDP sites in Idlib for comprehensive site profiling and needs assessment updates; and establishment of the Community Integration and Skills Enhancement (CISE) working group to develop guidelines for life skills interventions and community empowerment for IDPs in sites and local communities.

Recent funding milestones: The Syria Humanitarian Fund (SCHF) 1 Standard Allocation approved four out of six CCCM partner proposals, allocating \$1.2 million towards core CCCM interventions in 9 IDP sites benefiting 11 K individuals in Idlib and Aleppo Governorates.

The CCCM Cluster remains actively engaged in monitoring service gaps and facilitating a coordinated, multi-sectoral response across north-west Syria. This effort supports over 1.99 million IDPs residing in 1,528 sites. The majority of these sites are concentrated in Dana and Maaret Tamsrin sub-districts, where 82% of the sites are self-settled, lacking essential elements such as proper site planning, basic infrastructure, and effective camp management structures.

## 4Ws

36 IDP sites that host 289,000 IDPs have received CCCM activities during August 2024.

### Implemented activities vs. beneficiaries



## Incidents

**47** Total incidents  
**38** Fire incidents  
**96** Affected tents

In August, CCCM Cluster reported a surge in fire incidents across Idlib and Aleppo, with 47 incidents occurring in 43 internally IDP sites. These fires, compounded by strong winds that affected an additional eight sites, resulted in significant damage and disruption. The incidents had a substantial impact, destroying or damaging over 96 tents and affecting approximately 500 individuals. The affected areas spanned 12 sub-districts, including Dana, Maaret Tamsrin, Kafr Takharim, and Armanaz in Aleppo and Idlib. Despite the severity of the situation, fortunately, no fatalities were reported. However, two injuries were reported in Yasmeeen Al Sham and Ehsan 1 camps in Atma community.



## Response

The CCCM Cluster partners, including WATAN, NRC, Ihsan RD, and Hand in Hand, swiftly responded to the incidents by providing critical assistance to affected individuals and households, including tent installation, nfi kit and blanket distribution.

## Winterization planning

As winter approaches, the CCCM Cluster has conducted a comprehensive **Winter Vulnerability Analysis**, categorizing IDP sites across Idlib and Aleppo Governorates based on their vulnerability to harsh weather conditions on a vulnerability scale, ranging from "none/minimal", "stress", "severe", "extreme", to "catastrophic". The analysis reveals alarming findings:

- 18 sites hosting 11,542 individuals are at "catastrophic" risk
- 172 sites hosting 182,120 individuals are at "extreme" risk
- 571 sites hosting 686,171 individuals are at "severe" risk

Despite the significant needs, the recent Funding Tracking Analysis indicates that only \$1.065 million USD has been secured, out of the required \$10.3 million USD for the Winterization response. This funding will support 55 IDP sites.

To address the urgent needs, the CCCM Cluster's response will focus on:

1. Strengthening basic infrastructure in IDP sites through care and maintenance support
2. Enhancing fire response capabilities in IDP sites by establishing fire response and mitigation measures.

## Field missions

Between 15-19 August, the CCCM Cluster team conducted a field mission to NWS, engaging with CCCM focal points in Idlib and Aleppo, and visiting two camps operated by ACTED: Ref Halap and Al Shaheed Maher Kujak. This mission enhanced coordination with field teams and highlighted the significant benefits of localization in strengthening the humanitarian response in NWS.

## Trainings/workshops

ACTED, a CCCM partner, conducted a two-day induction training in Jisr-Ash-Shugur District, Idlib, on 6-7 August, 2024. The training brought together 23 participants (15 male, 8 female) from eight organizations: ACTED International, Relief International, Islamic Relief, Hope Revival, Shafak, UOSSM, SEMA, and Doctors Across Continents. The comprehensive training covered essential CCCM topics:

1. Introduction to Camp Management and Basic Principles
2. Communication and Coordination
3. Roles and Responsibilities
4. Community Participation
5. Monitoring Services in Camps
6. Camp Emergency Plans
7. Exit Plans
8. Data and Information Management
9. Camp Registration

In total, 81 CCCM Cluster partner's field staff (F,M) have undergone CCCM induction training as part of the Cluster Capacity building interventions through the NW Syria Capacity Building group established 2024.

