



February 2021 updates

In February 2021, the humanitarian community recorded some 10,000 spontaneous IDP return movements across Syria, around 24 percent less than in January. Over 6,000 of these (60 percent) occurred within and between Aleppo and Idlib governorates.

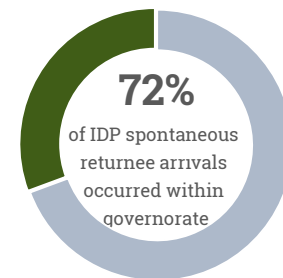
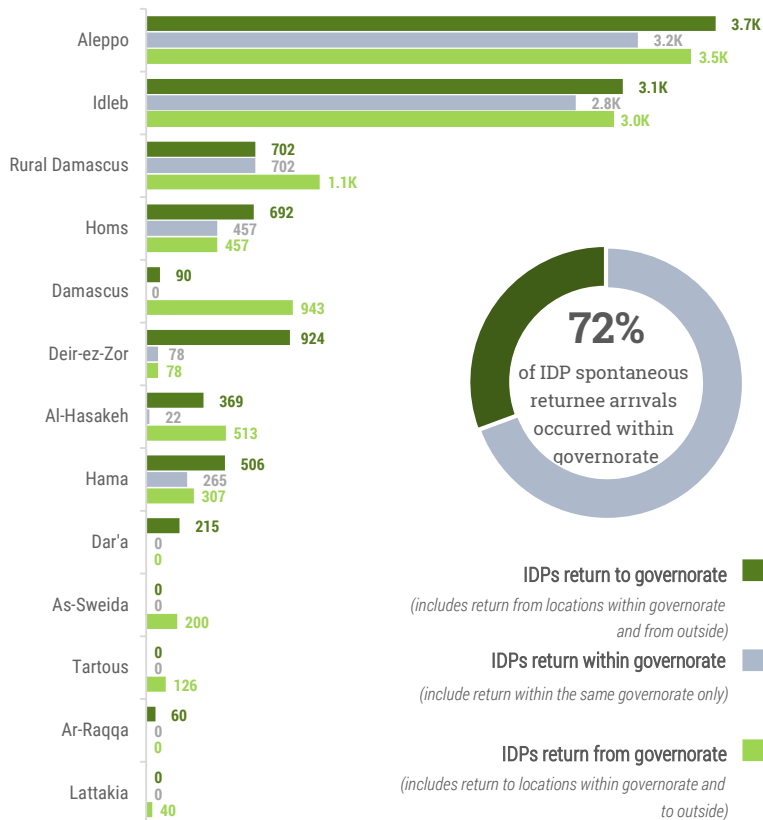
At the sub-district level, the Jebel Saman sub-district in Aleppo governorate received the highest number of spontaneous return movements in February, with around 2,800 returns, while the Ehsem and Ariha sub-districts in Idlib governorate received some 1,000 and 900 spontaneous IDP return movements respectively. Over the same period, more than 300 spontaneous IDP return movements were received by the Homs sub-district in Homs governorate and the Dayr Hafir sub-district in Aleppo governorate.

At the community level, Aleppo city in the Aleppo governorate received around 2,700 returns, the highest number of spontaneous return movements in February, while the Homs community in Homs governorate and Dayr Hafir community in Aleppo governorate each received some 400 return movements. Madamiyet Elsham in Rural Damascus governorate, Kafrlata in Idlib governorate and Al Mayadin community in Deir-Ez-Zor governorate each received around 300 return movements this month.

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



- IDPs return to governorate** (includes return from locations within governorate and from outside)
- IDPs return within governorate** (include return within the same governorate only)
- IDPs return from governorate** (includes return to locations within governorate and to outside)

IDP spontaneous returns map

(K: thousand)

