

March 2021 updates

In March 2021, the humanitarian community recorded some 23,000 spontaneous IDP return movements across Syria, twice as many as the return movements that were tracked in February. Over 8,000 of these (35 percent) occurred within and between Aleppo and Idlib governorates.

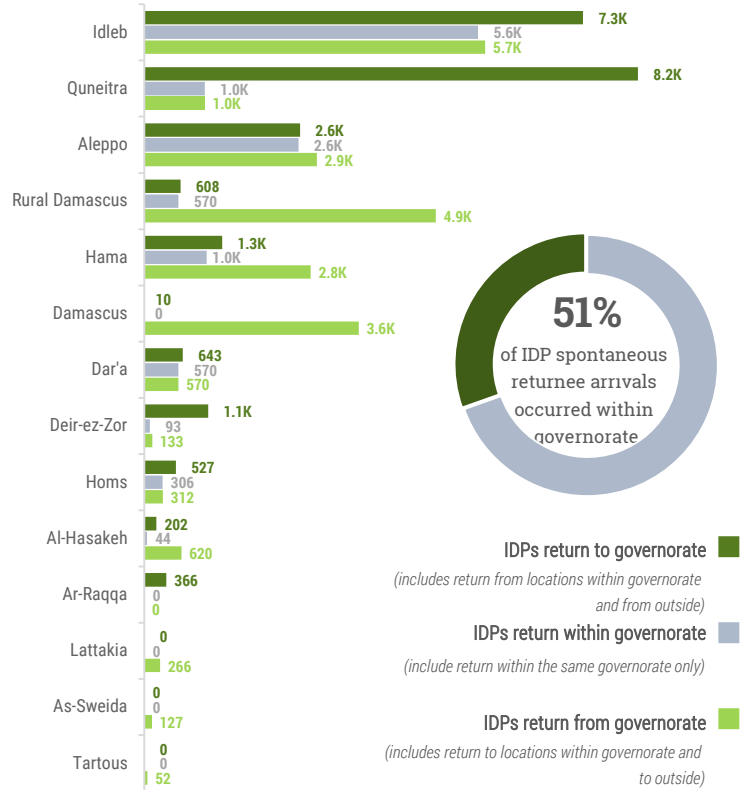
At the sub-district level, the Khan Arnaba sub-district in Quneitra governorate received the highest number of spontaneous return movements in March, with around 8,200 returns, while the Ehsem and Ariha sub-districts in Idlib governorate and the Jebel Saman sub-district in Aleppo governorate received some 2,000, 1,500 and 1,300 spontaneous IDP return movements, respectively. Over the same period, the Tamaanah, Jisr-Ash-Shugur and Sanjar sub-districts in Idlib governorate each received more than 700 spontaneous IDP return movements.

At the community level, the Kom Elwisseh - Marj Barghut community in Quneitra governorate received some 8,000 returns, the highest number of spontaneous return movements in March, while Aleppo city in Aleppo governorate received some 1,200 return movements. The Khan Shaykun, Jisr-Ash-Shugur and Tal Khanzir communities in Idlib governorate each received around 500 return movements, while the Sarja and Kansafra communities in Idlib each received around 400 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



IDP spontaneous returns map

(K: thousand)

