Finding Prosperity on move? Syrian refugees, labor and Turkey

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Figure 2.34 The complexity of the Syrian Arab Republic refugee crisis as of 2015

Syrian Arab Republic population: 21.78 m

Nondisplaced: 10.10 m

Internally displaced: 6.56 m

Displaced: 11.68 m

Refugee/asylum seeker: 5.12 m

Neighboring country: 4.55 m

Turkey: 2.50 m

Lebanon: 1.06 m

Jordan: 0.63 m

Iraq: 0.24 m

Egypt, Arab Rep.: 0.12 m

Non-neighboring country: 0.57 m

Germany: 0.20 m

Sweden: 0.10 m

Austria: 0.03 m

Netherlands: 0.03 m

Hungary: 0.02 m

United States: 0.01 m

Other: 0.18 m

Refugees to Europe typically begin as asylum seekers and must apply for recognition after arriving

Refugees to United States are almost entirely resettled

Refugees in neighboring countries typically granted only temporary protections with limited access to labor markets

Sources: Data from UNHCR Population Statistics Database and United Nations World Population Prospects.

Note: m = million; UNHCR = United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees.
Distribution of Syrian Refugees in the Scope of Temporary Protection by Year

*By August 16, 2018

Source: DGMM/UNHCR
**Figure 3.16** Turkish native employment rates by sector, 2005–14

Source: Del Carpio and Wagner 2016.

*Note:* Figure shows difference in share of population employed, by sector, between treatment and control groups.
Distribution of Syrian Refugees in the Scope of Temporary Protection by Top Ten Province

*Data from August 2018

Source: DGMM
Figure 3.17  Actual and predicted (based on travel distances) refugee-to-working-age-population ratio in Turkey, 2014

Source: Ozden (2018) Moving for Prosperity

Source: Del Carpio and Wagner 2016.
Work Permit document for Syrians under Temporary Protection

Source: Turkey
Ministry of Labor
Granted Work Permit Statistics For Syrians

**JANUARY 2016-JULY 2018**

- **With Residence Permit**: 24,787
- **SuTP**: 25,341
- **Total**: 50,128

Source: Turkey Ministry of Labor
## Turkey’s Estimated Spending on Syrian Refugees since 2012

Translation of spending from Turkish authorities (as of December 2017)

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**TOTAL:** 84,880,541,000 TL or $30,285,573,000 USD

Source: Anadolu News Agency,
https://www.aa.com.tr/tr/info/infografik/8044
Q & A
# Fact Sheet

- **3,542,250** Syrians under TP in Turkey  
  (DGMM, August 2018)
- **360,608** Non-Syrian asylum seekers  
  (UNHCR, June 2018)
- **1,621,430** (46%) Syrians under TP are female  
  (DGMM, August 2018)
- **1,661,602** (48%) Syrians under TP are children (under 18)  
  (DGMM, August 2018)
- **206,403** (6%) Syrians live in temporary accommodation centers  
  (DGMM, August 2018)
- **55,583** Syrians who received Turkish citizenship  
  (İnsan Hakları İnceleme Komisyonu, March 2018)
- **346,330** Syrians born in Turkey  
  (MFA, August 2018)
- **976,200** School-aged Syrians (5-18)  
  (Ministry of National Education, 2018)
- **603,929** Syrians enrolled in school  
  (Ministry of National Education, 2018)
- **50,128** Syrians with a work permit  
  (MFA, August 2018)
- **14,998** Syrians resettled in the EU as part of the EU-Turkey Statement  
  (DGMM, June 2018)
- **2,224** Irregular migrants returned to Turkey as part of the EU-Turkey Statement  
  (European Commission, June 2018)
- **194,514** Syrians who returned to Syria  
  (MFA, August 2018)

*Note: Data is subject to change and should be verified with the latest sources.*