Inter-Agency Referral Analysis

Report covering January - March 2021 (Q1 2021)

Water

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Total number of Referrals to All Sectors 31,392
Total number of Referrals to Water 389 (1% of total)

Results Analysis

The volume of referrals to Water in Q1 (389) has remained about the same as compared to Q4 (399), representing about 1% of all referrals sent. Water remains the sector with the second lowest number of referrals received. Most referrals to Water in Q1 were made in the South (53%), followed by El Nabatieh (16%) and Bekaa (12%), as different from Q4, when the majority of referrals for water services were made in Baalbek El Hermel.

The response rates to Water referrals improved in Q1, with an increase in Referrals Accepted (87% in Q1 as compared to 67% in Q4). 92% referrals to water have received some kind of feedback (90% in Q4). The South, as the governorate with the highest volume of referrals, also registered some of the best response rates, with 98% of referrals being accepted, same as El Nabatieh.

Most referrals for water services were made by protection partners, followed by CP. In line with other sectors, most referrals were for Syrians. In terms of age profiles, while most referrals were for adults, referrals for children and the elderly were also created. As different from Q4, most referrals for water/WASH services were for male beneficiaries.

With regards to the speed of response, partners were able to acknowledge most referrals within the timeframes stipulated by the Minimum Standards (48h for regular- and 24h for fast track referrals). Most referrals were also closed in a timely manner (14 days for regular- and 24h for fast track referrals), with some delays experienced in Baalbek-El Hermel.

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Partners who reported (IA Referrals): ABAAD, AND, Caritas Lebanon, DRC, GVC, Intersos, IRC, Mercy Corps, NRC, Plan International, SHEILD.
RIMS data:
Percentage of Referrals to Water by Age Group and by Governorate

LEGEND:
Age Groups
- [0-17]
- [18-59]
- [60-]

RIMS data:
Percentage of Referrals to Water by Sex and by Governorate

LEGEND:
By sex
- Female
- Male
Timeliness refers to the total time that it takes to complete the referral process. It is measured by the number of days from when the referral was sent, to when it received a final status (Accepted/Not Accepted). Referrals considered on time are referrals receiving a last status within 24 hours for Fast Track referrals and 14 days for Normal referrals as per the Inter-Agency Standards for Referrals.