COVID-19 situation in refugee camps in Jordan
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Vaccination and registration rates calculated as a percentage of total population, not population eligible to receive the COVID-19 vaccine.
HIGHLIGHTS

- The number of cases among refugees remains well below the national average, with just over 3% of the refugee camp population having tested positive since the onset of the pandemic, compared to almost 8% of the total population in Jordan.

- The recovery rate of 98% among refugees in camps reflects the national recovery rate.

- In August, vaccination numbers among refugee populations in camps continued to increase, while the daily number of recorded COVID-19 infections remained stable and low.

- Some 60% of the refugee camp population eligible to receive the COVID-19 vaccine (now including children above 12 years old) have registered on the government platform, while over 40% having already received at least one dose.

- Refugees living in urban areas of Jordan are also included in the national COVID-19 vaccination plan.

- Another round of COVID-19 emergency cash assistance was distributed to vulnerable families who have been severely impacted by the pandemic. From the start of COVID-19, some 70,000 vulnerable refugee families have received COVID-19 emergency cash support.

COVID-19 RESPONSE

- Two in-camp vaccination centres in Zaatri and one in Azraq camp

- Awareness raising about the COVID-19 vaccination program, through focus group discussions, the UNHCR Helpline, outreach volunteers, FAQs, social media, and more

- Upgrading of quarantine facilities in camps

- Health screening procedures, surveillance and monitoring

- PPE provision for frontline workers/refugees

- Remote services, protection hotlines and newly launched Help website platform

- Supporting refugee access to e-learning platforms

- Enhanced community engagement and communications via SMS text, social media and WhatsApp to refugee populations