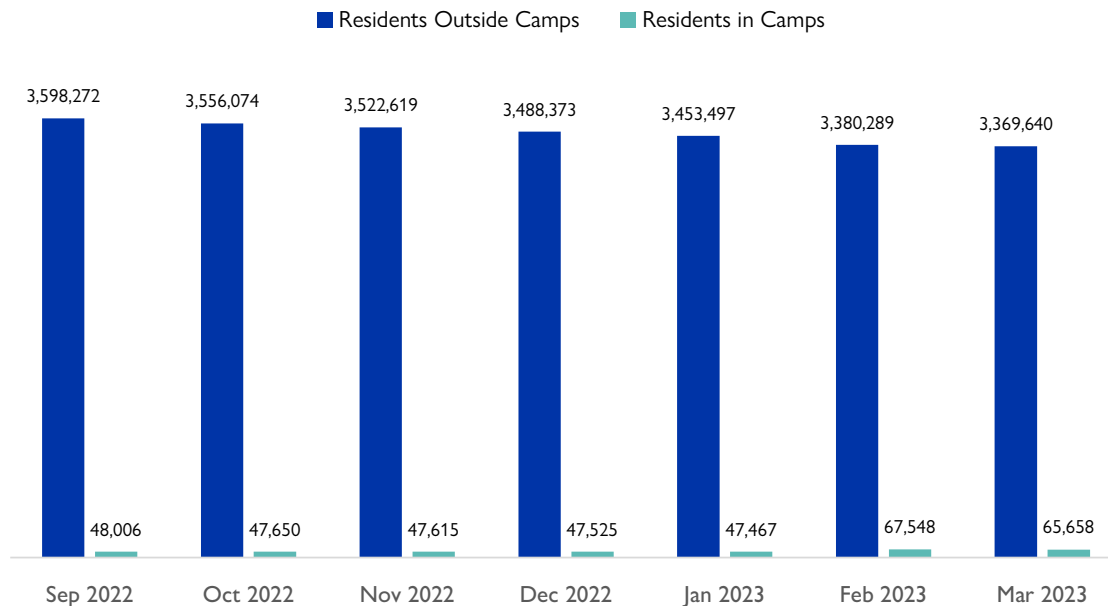


### Background and Key Findings

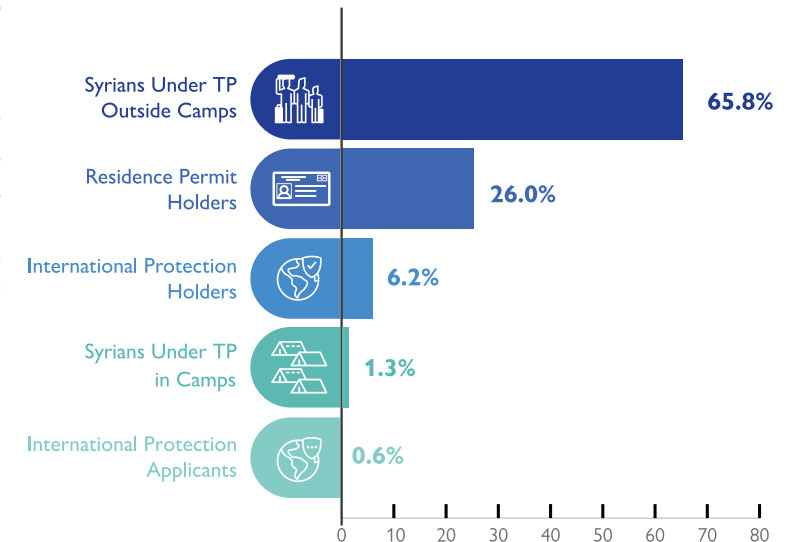
According to the latest available figures from the Turkish Presidency of Migration Management (PMM), there are more than 5.1\* million foreign nationals present in Turkish territory, 3.8\* million of whom are seeking international protection. Most are Syrians (3,435,298\* individuals) who are granted temporary protection status. In addition, international protection applicants from countries including Afghanistan, Ukraine and Iraq constitute another group of foreign nationals. According to PMM, there were 33,246\* international protection applicants present in Türkiye in 2022, published annually. Moreover, according to UNHCR\*\*, there were 318,903 refugees and asylum-seekers in Türkiye as of mid of 2022. Since December 2022 the number of Syrians residing in camps has increased by 18,133.

\*Data source PMM, 30.03.2023  
\*\*Data source UNHCR, mid of 2022

### Monthly Population Chart of Syrians Under Temporary Protection



### Legal Status of the Foreign Nationals Present in Turkish Territory



In addition, there are 1,334,150\* foreign nationals present in Türkiye, holding residence permits. Compared to fourth quarter of 2022, this is a decrease of 19,944 individuals.

According to PMM, 33,242\* migrants in irregular situation of different nationalities were apprehended in Türkiye at the first quarter. This figure was 71,232\* in the previous reporting period (Q4) of 2022.

\*Data source PMM, 30.03.2023

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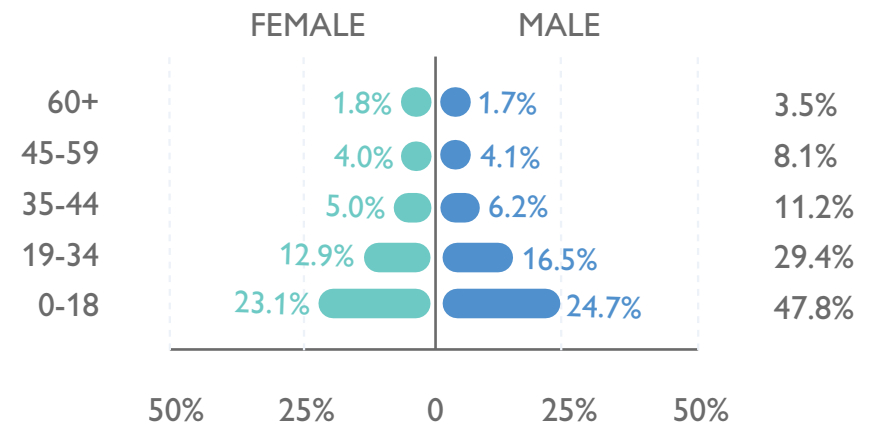
### Categories of Foreigners in Türkiye

#### Temporary Protection (TP)

Türkiye's Temporary Protection regime grants the 3,435,298\* Syrian nationals the right to legally stay in Türkiye as well as some level of access to basic rights and services. The vast majority of 3,369,640\* individuals live outside camps, mainly spread across cities at the Turkish border provinces of Şanlıurfa, Gaziantep, Hatay and Kilis as well as other major cities in Türkiye. 65,658\* Syrians live in nine Temporary Accommodation Centers (TACs) that are also located in the provinces close to the Syrian border, as well as in other major cities such as Hatay, Kilis, Osmaniye, Adana, Malatya, Gaziantep and Kahramanmaraş.

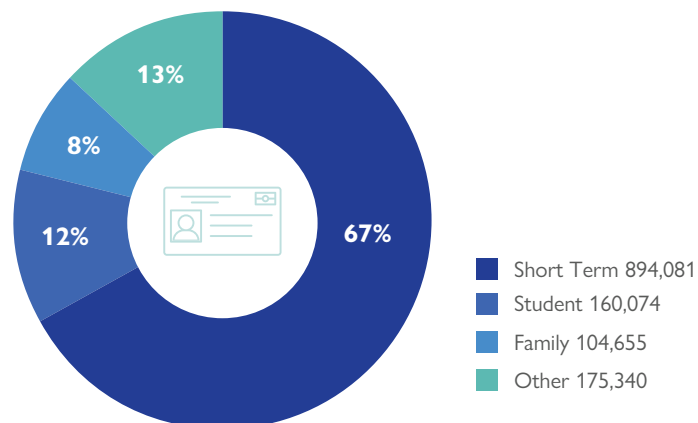
\*Data source PMM, 30.03.2023

### Demographic Breakdown of Biometrically Registered Syrians\*



\*Data source PMM, 30.03.2023

### Categories of Residence Permit



#### Residence Permit (RP)

Foreigners who seek stay in Türkiye beyond the duration of a visa or visa exemption -i.e. longer than 90 days, must obtain a residence permit. According to PMM, there are 1,334,150\* residence permit holders in Türkiye with various categories of the residence permit, including short-term residence permit, family residence permit, student residence permit, long-term residence permit, humanitarian residence permit and residence permit for victims of human trafficking. A valid work permit as well as Work Permit Exemption Confirmation Document are also considered as a residence permit in Türkiye. As of 2021, there were 168,103\*\* foreigners with work permit in Türkiye.

\*Data source PMM, 30.03.2023

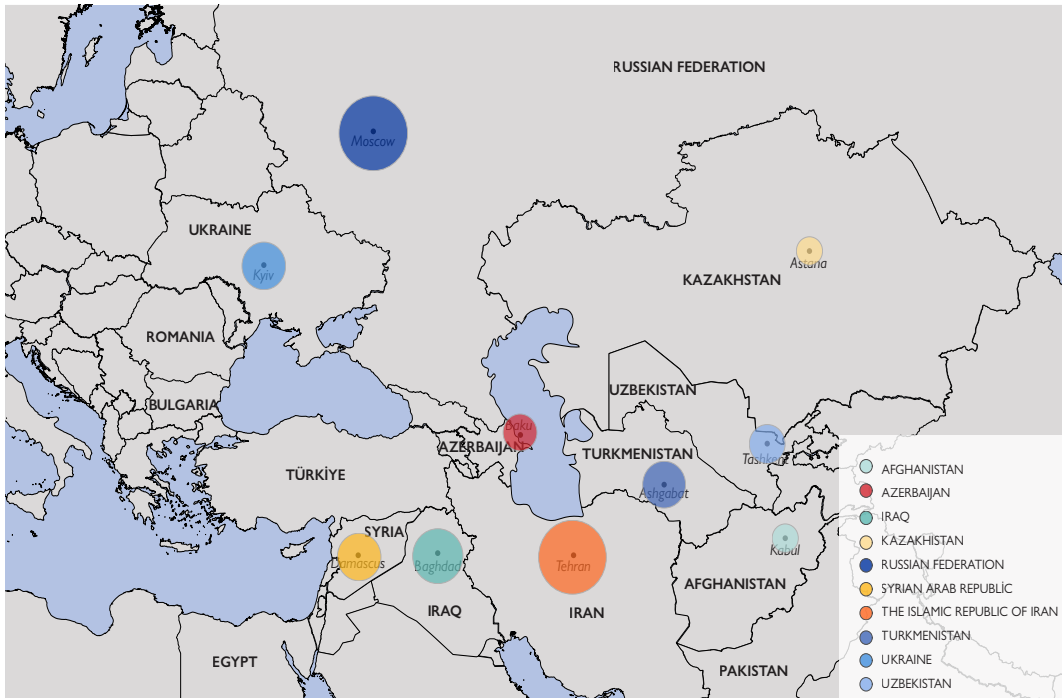
\*\*Data source Ministry of Labor and Social Security, 2021

### Categories of Foreigners in Türkiye

#### Residence Permit (RP)

894,081\* short-term residence holders compose the majority of all residence permit holders. The RP holders are followed by 160,074\* student residence permit holders. Additionally, there are 104,655\* family residence permits granting the right to residence. Also 175,340\* “other” residence permits were also granted.

\*Data source PMM, 30.03.2023



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### Top 10 Nationality Groups for Residence Permit Holders



**Categories of Foreigners in Türkiye**

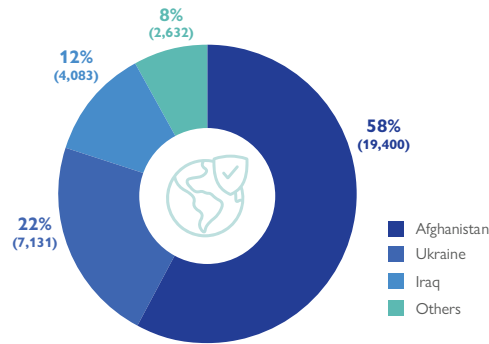
**International Protection Applicants & Holders**

There are **33,246\*** international protection applicants in Türkiye of different nationalities, but primarily originating in Afghanistan, Ukraine and Iraq.

As of mid 2022, there are **318,903\*** refugees and asylum-seekers in Türkiye, most of whom from Iraq, Afghanistan and the Islamic Republic of Iran.

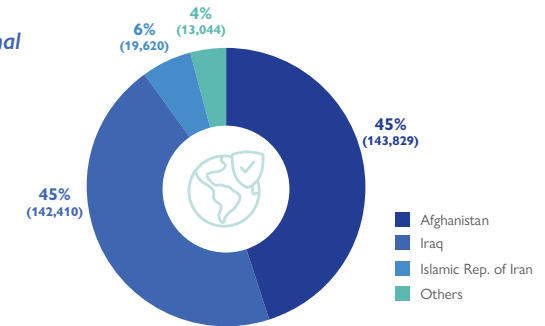
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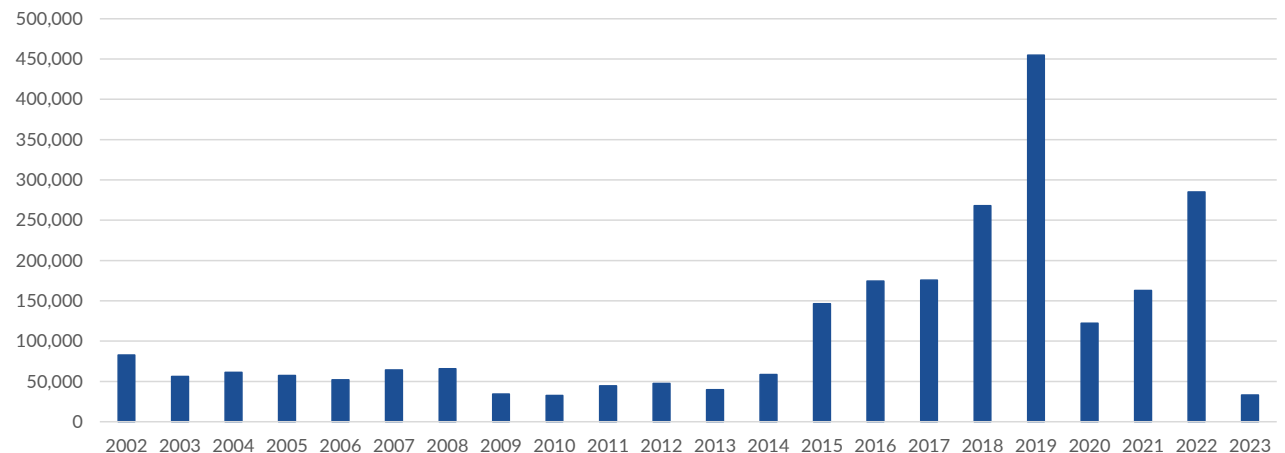


**Migrants in Irregular Situation**

According to PMM, **33,242\*** migrants in irregular situation and **1,738\*** migrant smugglers have been recorded in 2023. Most migrants in irregular situation entered Turkish territory from neighboring countries including Islamic Republic of Iran, Syrian Arab Republic and Iraq, and transited or resided in Türkiye before attempting to cross the Aegean Sea to Europe. The top three nationalities in 2023 are from Afghanistan, the Syrian Arab Republic and Palestinian Territories.

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**Annual Breakdown of Migrants in Irregular Situation in Türkiye**



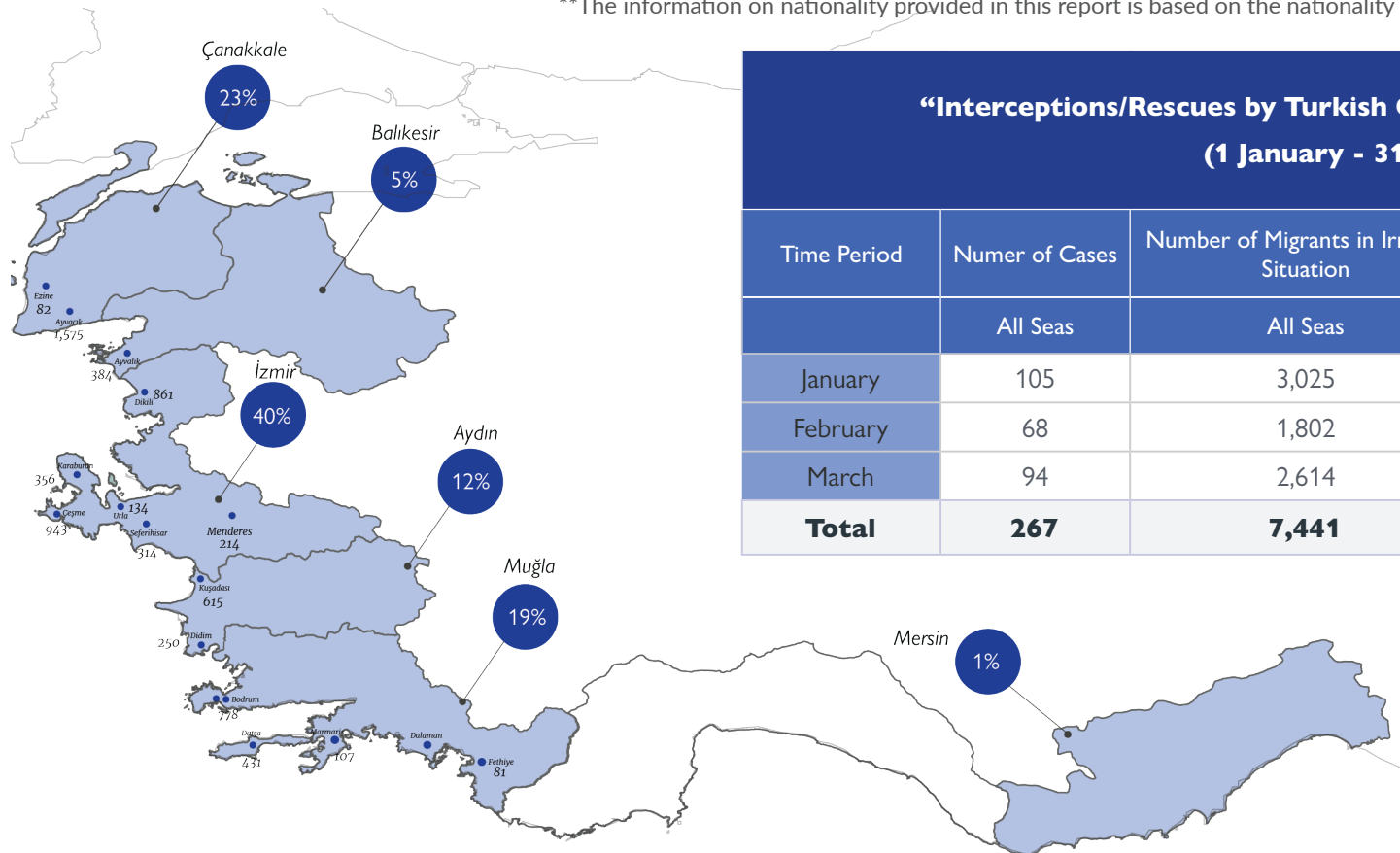
### Migrants in Irregular Situation

#### Intercepted and Rescued Persons on Sea

According to Turkish Coast Guard (TCG) daily reports, TCG recorded 7,441\* migrants in irregular situation and 11 deaths in the first quarter of 2023. During the reporting period, there has been a decrease of 5,020 intercepted persons on sea by TCG compared to previous reporting period. The top ten nationalities of intercepted/rescued persons are Afghan, Palestinian, Yemeni, Syrian, Eritrean, Liberian, Congolese, Somalian, Malian and Central African.\*\*

\*Data source TCG

\*\*The information on nationality provided in this report is based on the nationality declared by migrants as reported by the Turkish authorities.



Time Period	Numer of Cases	Number of Migrants in Irregular Situation	Number of Deaths	Number of Organizers
	All Seas	All Seas	All Seas	All Seas
January	105	3,025	0	3
February	68	1,802	0	4
March	94	2,614	11	12
<b>Total</b>	<b>267</b>	<b>7,441</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>19</b>

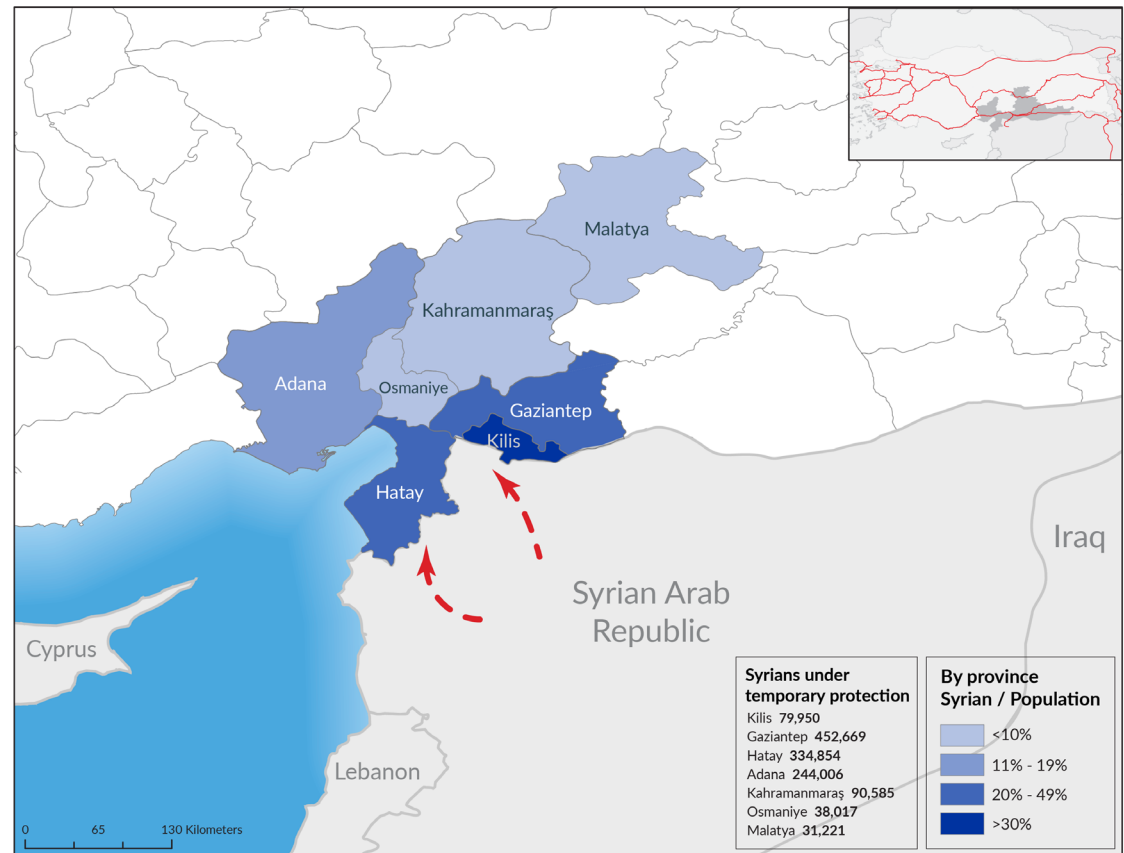
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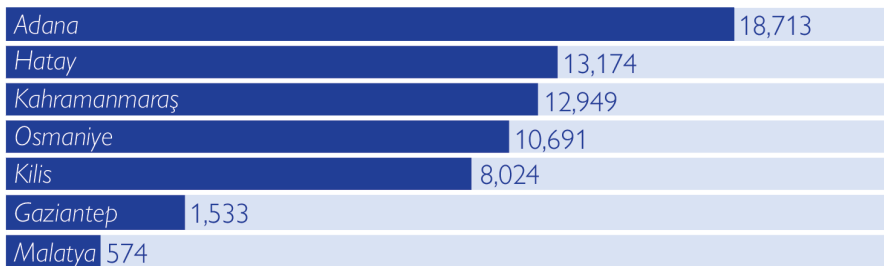
Accommodation Capacity and Services for Hosting Foreign Nationals in Türkiye

There are nine “Temporary Accommodation Centers” for persons under Temporary Protection (mainly for Syrians under TP) dispersed in seven cities in Türkiye namely Kilis, Kahramanmaraş, Hatay, Adana, Osmaniye, Gaziantep and Malatya run by the Turkish Presidency of Migration Management, (PMM). According to PMM statistics, a total population of 65,658\* are currently residing in the Temporary Accommodation Centers

\*Data source PMM, 30.03.2023



Distribution of Syrians in Temporary Accomodation Centers



Source: PMM, 30.03.2023

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**Accommodation Capacity and Services for Hosting Foreign Nationals in Türkiye**

Removal centers host and monitor foreigners under administrative detention. **30\*** removal centers are operating in the provinces of Adana, Ağrı, Ankara, Antalya, Aydın, Balıkesir, Bursa, Çanakkale, Çankırı, Edirne, Erzurum, Gaziantep, Hatay, İstanbul, İzmir, Kayseri, Kırklareli, Kocaeli, Kütahya, Malatya, Muğla, Niğde, Şanlıurfa, Van and Iğdır. In total, the removal centers can currently hold **20,540\*** persons.

\*Data source PMM



**20,540**  
 Current Capacity  
 (Managed by PMM)

**Victims of Trafficking (VoTs)**

According to PMM, the gradual decline in trafficking victims' numbers between 2010-2013 was replaced by a progressive increase starting from 2013 and continue till 2017. **215\*** individuals were identified in 2019, **282\*** in 2020, **402\*** in 2021, **345\*** in 2022 and **77\*** as of January.

Two shelters for victims of trafficking are operational with a total capacity of **42\*** individuals. Two shelters are operated by PMM.

Shelters for VOTs in Türkiye	Shelter Capacity
Shelter in Ankara	30
Shelter in Kırıkkale	12
<b>Total</b>	<b>42</b>

\*Data source PMM,

The number of victims of trafficking in shelters have not been published in 2021 and 2022.

**Annual Breakdown of Victims of Trafficking in Türkiye**

