



2.5.7. Conflict-induced displacement and return

IOM's population movements assessments in Syria, which started as of February 2025, show that there was a decrease in Tartous's IDP population between February 2025 (around 69 900 out of a total population of approximately 1.16 million, 6 %) [740](#) and April 2026 (around 50 470 out of a total population of approximately 1.26 million, 4 %). [741](#)

According to UNHCR estimates, as of 21 May 2026, 12 229 individuals had returned to locations in Tartous governorate from internal displacement since December 2024 [742](#) and 10 089 had returned to the governorate from abroad within the same period. [743](#)

- [740](#)

IOM, Syrian Arab Republic – Community Baseline Assessment – Round 1 – February 2025, 6 March 2025, [url](#), p. 8

- [741](#)

IOM, Syrian Arab Republic – Population Mobility and Baseline Assessment – Round 15 – April 2026, 18 May 2026, [url](#), p. 7

- [742](#)

UNHCR, Syrian Arab Republic: Comprehensive Overview of IDPs and IDP Returns Dashboard, 21 May 2026, [url](#)

- [743](#)

UNHCR, Syrian Arab Republic: Comprehensive Overview of Refugee Returns Dashboard, 21 May 2026, [url](#)