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## World Food Programme Provides Food to Syrians Fleeing Aleppo Fighting

**WFP News Video**
**Locations: Turkey, Hatay Province**
**Shot: 11 February 2016**
**TRT 02:08**
**Shotlist:**
**:00 - :32**
**Hatay-Reyhanlı Hub**

Workers transferring the food items from Turkish to Syrian trucks.

This food is loaded in Mersin, driven to Hatay-Reyhanlı Hub, then it is transferred to Syrian trucks to be taken from the Turkish border to the Syrian side.

The food includes rice, lentils, pasta, white beans, vegetable oil, wheat flour, bulgur wheat, sugar, salt in parcels that are enough to feed a family of five people for one month.

Even before the escalation in fighting in northern Aleppo, WFP was regularly delivering food across the Turkish border into Aleppo and Idleb governorates through the Bab al-Hawa and Bab al-Salam border crossings. Every month almost 300 trucks carry food to Syria, and this number is expected to increase.

**:32-:51**
**Hatay-Reyhanlı Hub**
**SOT (English) Tugba Isot, WFP logistic**

*"We are loading 25 trucks full of food rations with the basic items such as wheat flour, oil, rice, lentils and also we are loading ready to eat rations with .. canned fava beans, canned vegetables, canned fish, canned chicken."*

**:51-01:07**
**Hatay-Reyhanlı Hub**

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**01:07-01:32**
**Hatay-Reyhanlı Hub**
**SOT (English) Berna Cetin, WFP spokesperson**

*"We are talking about tens of thousands of people who are moving towards the Turkish border looking for safety because of the conflict in Aleppo, WFP as part of its regular operation is sending hundreds of trucks to the Syrian side every month to meet the needs of the displaced people"*

**01:32-01:48**

**Hatay-Reyhanlı**

Convoy driving towards the border

**01:48-02:08**

**Bab al Hawa, Turkey/Syria border**

Convoy crossing the Turkish border in to Syria

This food is being transported into rural Aleppo (Atareb and Daret Azza) for distribution by local cooperating partners.

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**Background:** WFP is providing food for around 4 million people a month in both government and opposition-controlled areas of Syria. WFP brings in food via ports and across borders. Today, 25 trucks with urgently needed family food parcels and ready-to-eat rations are crossing from Turkey into northern Syria where tens of thousands of people have fled from the surge in fighting around Aleppo.

- WFP has started distributing food to families displaced by the recent surge in fighting around Aleppo. So far, WFP has reached 30,000 people who have gathered in towns near the Turkish border in search of safety, and food for another 40,000 is on its way.
- WFP is also distributing ready-to-eat rations such as canned food for those who have no access to cooking facilities.
- WFP is extremely concerned about the plight of families fleeing the surge of fighting in Aleppo. WFP continues to bring truckloads of food in from Turkey to ensure sufficient supplies to meet the immediate needs displaced people.
- It is a violation of international humanitarian law to deny humanitarian access to besieged communities and WFP joins the global call for access to civilians who are caught behind the frontlines and in hard-to-reach areas.

**WFP Syria Crisis in Numbers:**

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| • People WFP reached with food inside Syria in December  | 3.6 million      |
| • People WFP plans to reach inside Syria in February:    | 4.25 million     |
| • Number of refugees registered with UNHCR:              | Over 4.5 million |
| • Number of refugees received WFP assistance in January: | 1.5 million      |

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