

# The Middle East – Regional study

## The location of the Middle East

The Middle East is a region on the continent of Asia. It is located towards Southwest Asia and is Northeast of Africa. It is surrounded by multiple different seas. See the map.



<b>Biome</b>	Large community of plants and animals adapted to a specific climate.
<b>Climate</b>	Long-term weather pattern in an area.
<b>Ecosystem</b>	Community of living and non-living things in a particular area.
<b>Population density</b>	The measure of people living in a particular area.
<b>Nomadic people</b>	People who move about rather than living in one place all the time.
<b>Latitude</b>	Lines around the earth. This includes the Equator.
<b>Longitude</b>	Lines over the earth. This includes the Prime Meridian.
<b>Distribution</b>	The way in which the data is spread out (location).

## Challenges face by people living in deserts.

The Bedouin are nomadic tribes that inhabit the Saudi Arabian region. These people live in Desert areas.

### Drought

Due to the Desert climate, there is limited rainfall (precipitation). This can lead to water shortages and also health problems caused by dehydration.



### Famine

Due to high temperatures, it can be difficult to grow food. This can lead to starvation and lack of nutrients in their diet.



### Transport

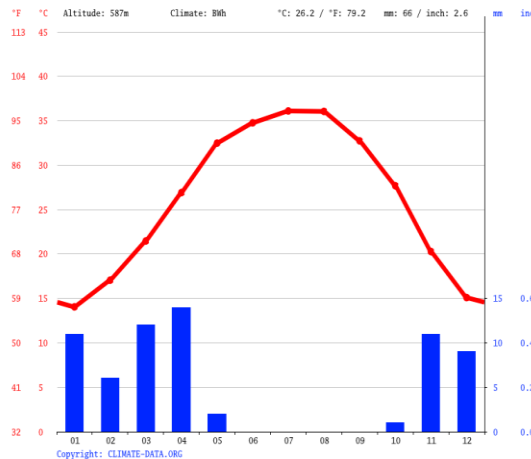
Due to the nature of the sand in the desert there are limited roads and nomadic people do not have access to expensive cars. They often travel using camels which is a slow process.



## Climate Graphs

The key to reading a climate graph.  
**1. Temperature is shown by the line graph.**

**2. Rainfall (precipitation) is shown by the bar chart.**



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## Tourism in Dubai



Opportunities:

- Jobs in tertiary industry
- increased GDP
- Improved transport systems.

Challenges:

- increased pollution
- difficulties managing waste
- loss of traditional culture

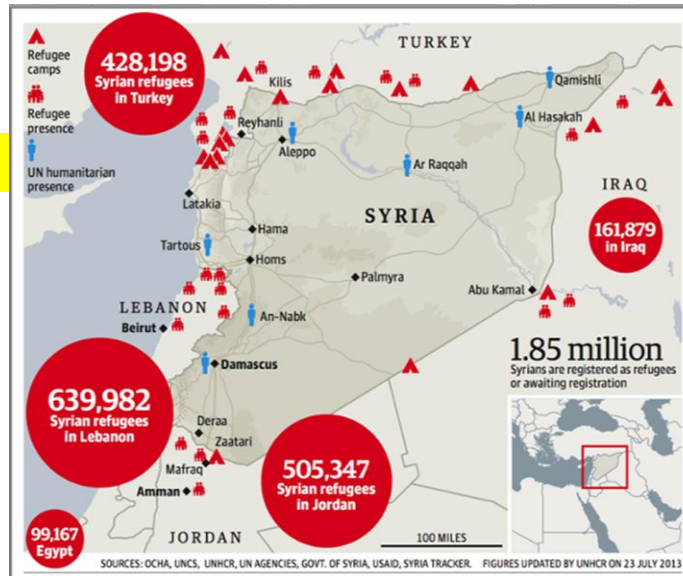
## Host Countries

**Where do refugees go to?**

The highest proportion go to neighbouring countries such as Jordan and Turkey.

**Where do refugees come from?**

The highest number of refugees come from Syria due to the civil war. The number is 6.7 million.



<b>Conflict</b>	large community of plants and animals adapted to a specific climate.
<b>Refugee</b>	A person moving to another country as a result of conflict.
<b>Host Country</b>	Community of living and non-living things in a particular area.
<b>Quality of Life</b>	The measure of people living in a particular area.
<b>Economic</b>	Factors to do with money.
<b>Social</b>	Factors with people such as health and education.

## Refugee Camps like [Zaatari Camp](#), Jordan.

First opened in 2012, the camp population is estimated to be 83,000.

### Social

- Lack of access to education and hospital services.
- Poor sanitation leading to disease.
- Temporary housing such as tents and overcrowding.

### Economic

- No jobs available for people and laws prevent them working.
- Can not afford to buy nutritious food.
- Traveling is very expensive.

