

In addition to the timeline, our group also planned to create a diaspora map showing the flow of Syrian refugees to various countries around the globe. The data for this map was much harder to acquire than anticipated; we learned that there are many difficulties and complexities involved in counting and comparing numbers of refugees between countries. These numbers are difficult to estimate not only because it is hard to separate data regarding Syrian refugees from other refugees, but also because it is difficult to compare Syrian refugees between countries. How can one begin to compare numbers of estimated arrivals and short-term overstays with numbers of applicants, registered, and resettled refugees? Additionally, being registered in one country, such as Germany, means something totally different from being registered in another country, such as Lebanon. We ultimately ended up not completing our map because during the time we were creating it, we discovered an excellent version on the UNHCR website very similar to our vision. This map is depicted below:

