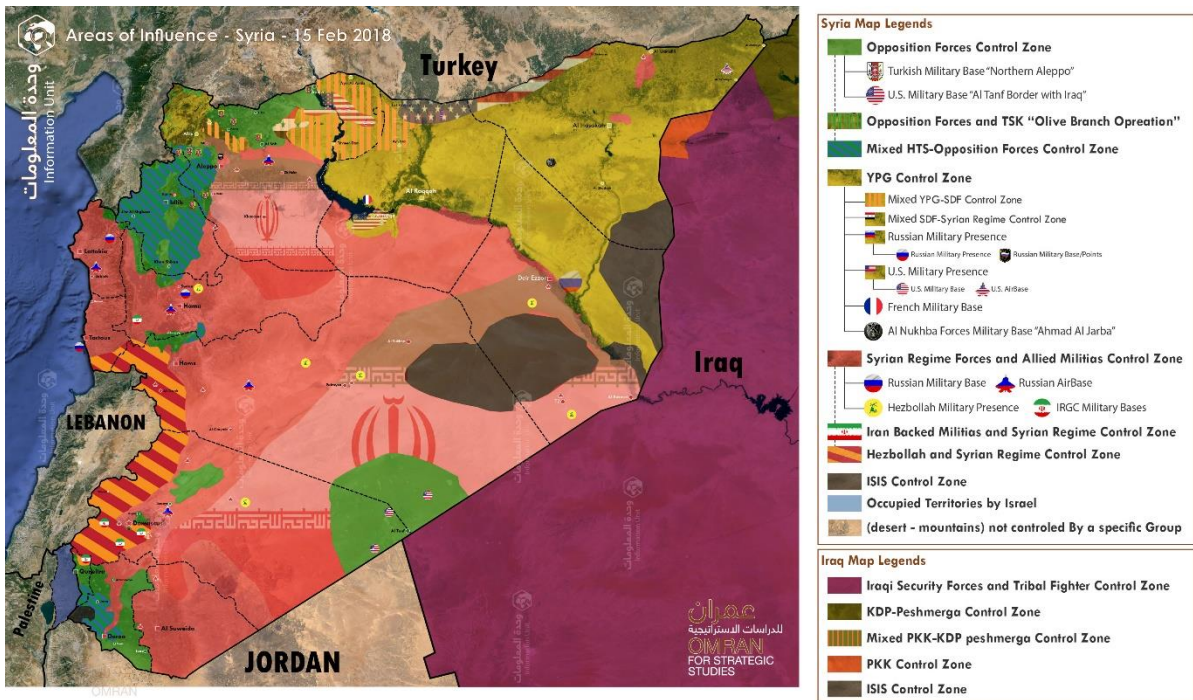


## Map of Control and Influence in Syria: February 16, 2018



	Territoria Areas 15 January 2017	Gain	Lost	Territoria Areas 15 February 2018	
Opposition Forces and Others	19,808 km <sup>2</sup> %10.6	35 km <sup>2</sup>	---	19,843 km <sup>2</sup> %10.7	↑
YPG Forces And Others	44,952 km <sup>2</sup> %24.1	---	35 km <sup>2</sup>	44,917 km <sup>2</sup> %24.0	↓
Syrian Regime And Others	106,217 km <sup>2</sup> %57.3	450 km <sup>2</sup>	---	106,678 km <sup>2</sup> %57.6	↑
ISIS	14,212 km <sup>2</sup> %7.8	---	450 km <sup>2</sup>	13,762 km <sup>2</sup> %7.7	↓

Note: Occupied territories by Israel is 1,800 km<sup>2</sup> - Error Ratio (%2 - %1)

15 January 2018 Control Break Down			
Opposition Forces and Others	%7.3	YPG Forces And Others	%3.3
YPG Forces And Others	%21.5	Syrian Regime And Others	%2.5
Syrian Regime And Others	%37.6	ISIS	%0.1
ISIS	%17.0		
15 February 2018 Control Break Down			
Opposition Forces and Others	%7.3	YPG Forces And Others	%2.9
YPG Forces And Others	%21.4	Syrian Regime And Others	%0.5
Syrian Regime And Others	%36.6	ISIS	%0.1
ISIS	%17.3		

Map 1

1. Turkish Armed Forces (TAF) and the Free Syrian Army (FSA) captured several locations in the western region of Afrin from the YPG/YPJ. Separately, reports emerged claiming that the TAF and the FSA had deployed additional troops and equipment west of the Jandaris district indicating an upcoming offensive.

Pro-YPG sources said that Kurdish forces had repelled Turkish attacks in the districts of Rajo and Bulbul, and claimed that more than 20 Turkish-backed fighters were reportedly killed there.

- **February 5:** A massive Kurdish military convoy entered the Afrin region to support the YPG in its fight against the Turks. As a result, many issues were raised:

- The number of vehicles that left Manbij was 36, but 41 entered Afrin, meaning five extra vehicles joined the convoy from areas controlled by pro-Iran forces.
- After the convoy entered Afrin from a checkpoint in Nubl and Zahraa, areas controlled by pro-Iran forces, multiple Iranian weapons were spotted in the possession of Kurdish forces. Below is a full list of these weapons.



Image 1

2. Syrian regime and pro-Iran forces, as well as US-backed forces, are reportedly amassing troops and fortifying their positions in the Euphrates region. According to both pro-opposition and pro-government sources, the two sides are preparing for possible skirmishes in the area.
3. **February 10:** Israeli airstrikes destroyed nearly half of the Syrian regime's air defenses, according to the Israeli newspaper Haaretz, which cited "senior Israeli Defense Forces officials" in the article on February 14. An Israeli F-16 was shot down during the airstrike; however, Israeli officials considered the operation a success.



Image 2

- February 12:** An Israeli military official said that an Iranian drone shot down 10 February 2018, ago was based on a US stealth RQ-170 UAV, which was captured by Iran in 2011. Iran started production of this drone in 2016.



Image 3