Syria has been called “the great tragedy of this century” by the United Nations. As of September, two million refugees are registered with the UN Refugee Agency, and there are rumors that at least a million more are unregistered. Some sources estimate that more than 115,000 have been killed in the conflict. The count of women and men raped and tortured, however, is not clear. Through her work at Women Under Siege at the Women’s Media Center, journalist Lauren Wolfe is aggregating reports on sexualized violence in a live, online crowdmap.

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