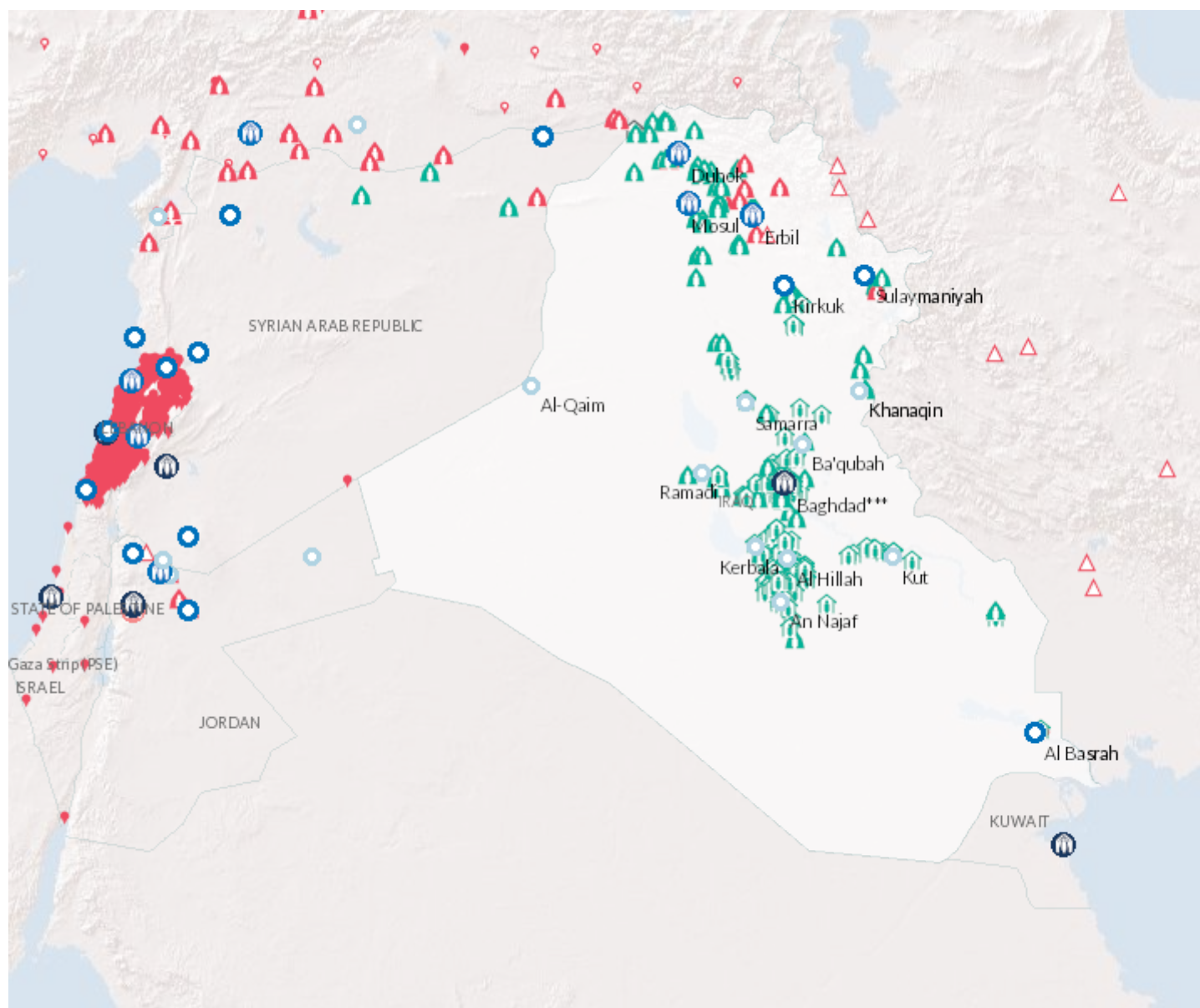




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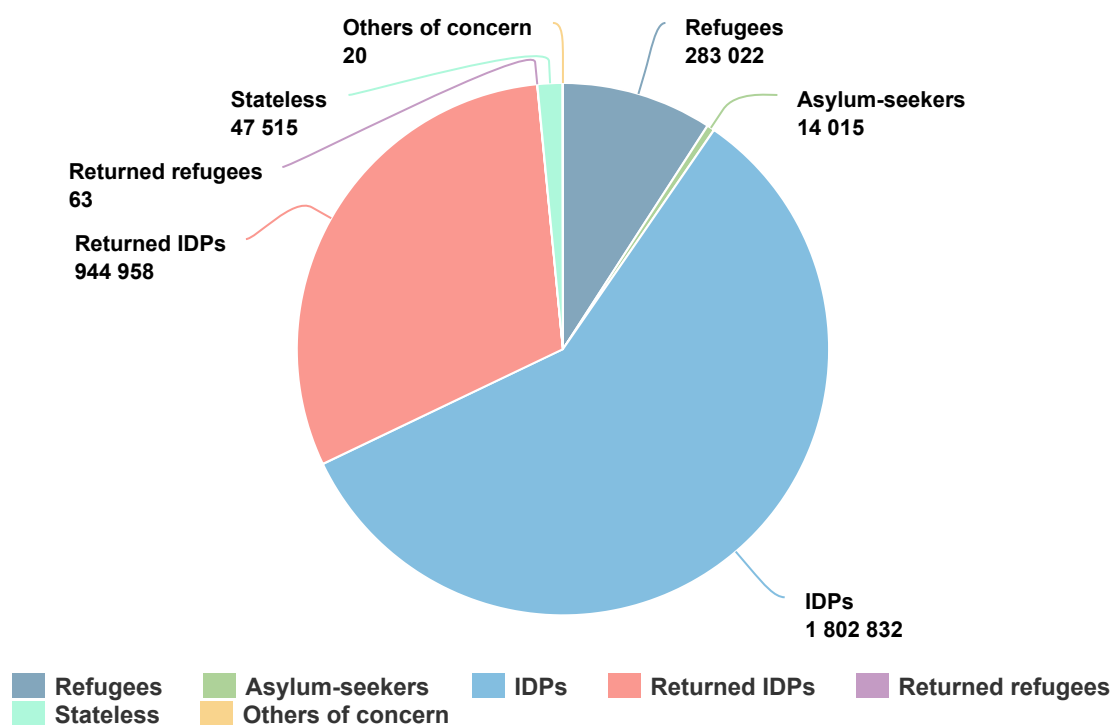
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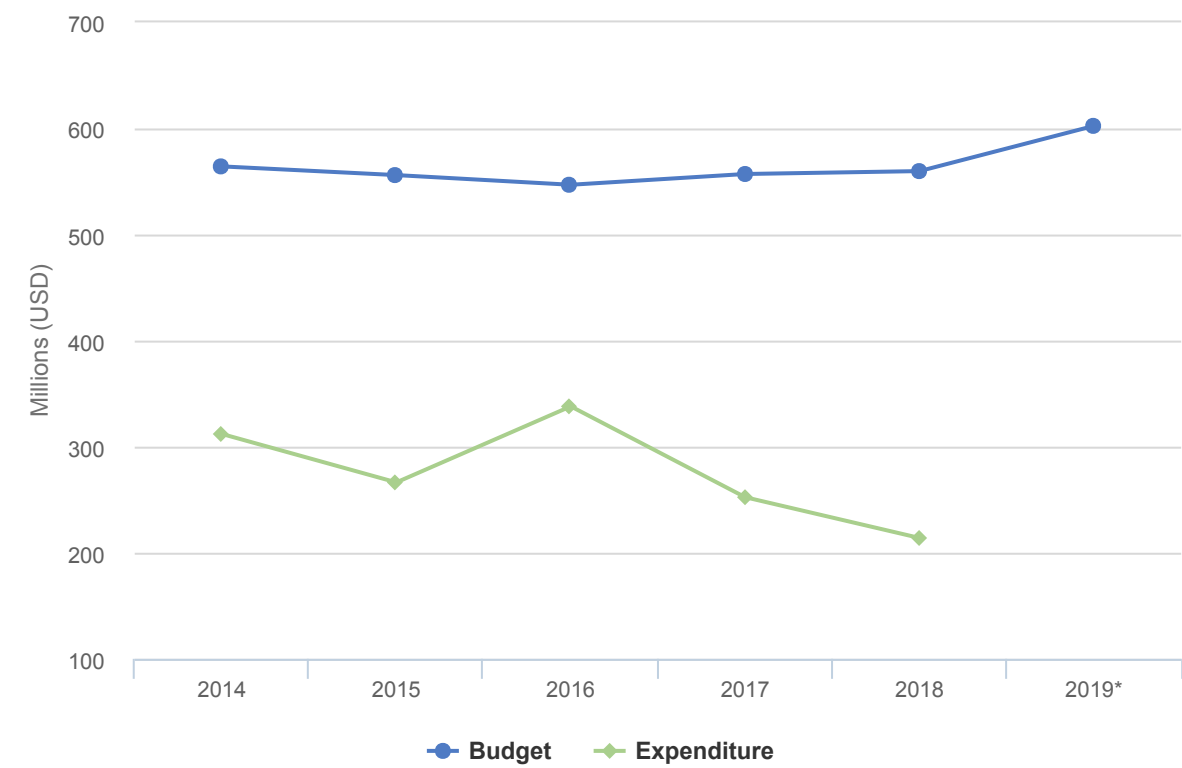
People of Concern

DECREASE IN
31% 2018

2018	3,092,425
2017	4,501,786
2016	5,326,166



Budgets and Expenditure for Iraq



Operational context

Important political and socio-economic events directly affected the situation of displaced people in Iraq in 2018 – the contested outcome of the federal election, for example, impacted stability and resulted in numerous protests and security incidents. The adoption of the revised refugee law was pending with the Parliament.

With major military operations drawing to a close at the end of 2017, the country entered a gradual transition from emergency response to a longer-term development approach.

Despite relative improvements in the security environment, many returnees and IDPs continued to face insecurity and limited access to basic services, while contending with destroyed properties and a lack of livelihood opportunities. Security incidents and military operations continue in certain areas of the country. Protection risks remained acute, with many IDP and returnee families disproportionately affected by restrictions on access to safety and freedom of movement; the confiscation of documents; forced encampment; forced evictions; and risk of sexual and gender-based violence. Some people were barred from returning to their areas of origin due to alleged affiliation with extremists, while forced returns also remained a persistent challenge.

Population trends

As of 31 December, some 1.8 million people were internally displaced in Iraq, with over 547,000 IDPs residing in more than 120 camps. There was a steady decrease of some 1 million IDPs over the year such that by the end of 2018, there were 4.1 million IDP returnees. While no official figures are available, some 20,000 Iraqi refugees returned from Turkey and the Syrian Arab Republic. Many were unable to return to their areas of origin, choosing to establish themselves in IDP camps due to insecurity, damaged infrastructure, limited livelihood opportunities and unexploded remnants of war.

By the end of 2018, there were over 297,000 refugees registered in Iraq, including 252,500 Syrian refugees. The large majority (99%) of Syrian refugees live in the Kurdistan Region of Iraq – 47% of whom are female and 43% of whom are children. In all, 24,501 Syrian refugees entered Iraq for the first time in 2018.

There was a slight reduction in the number of stateless persons in Iraq in 2018 from 47,630 to 47,515, resulting from the issuance of nationality documentation.

Key achievements

- 76 Quick impact projects promoted social cohesion between IDP, returnee, refugee and host communities.
- Comprehensive solutions strategy for Syrian refugees developed to enhance the legal, economic, and socio-cultural inclusion of refugees.

Unmet needs

Due to various reasons including security and operational challenges as well as resource limitations, some programmes/activities were partially or fully not implemented.

- Not all refugees are registered under the national Political Refugee Law, precluding them from moving freely within the country, accessing services, and enjoying fundamental human rights. Advocacy in 2018 resulted in a federal Government decision to register Syrian refugees beginning in 2019, which will improve freedom of movement and protect them from deportation.
- The proportion of IDPs and returnees who were unable to access registration and documentation or were denied access to their areas of origin for security or other reasons remained a serious concern for UNHCR.

- With pressure for return, as well as the consolidation and closure of camps political priorities, evictions and the forced return of IDPs continued to be reported in the Centre and Southern governorates.

2018 Expenditure for Iraq | USD

The following table presents the final budget and funds available by pillar and the final expenditure at the objective-level, as reported at year-end.

	Pillar 1 Refugee programme	Pillar 2 Stateless programme	Pillar 4 IDP projects	Total
Final Budget	135,891,731	307,821	423,626,565	559,826,117
Income from contributions*	169,369,944	0	42,382,620	211,752,564
Other funds available / transfers	-83,408,109	237,653	112,447,085	29,276,629
Total funds available	85,961,835	237,653	154,829,705	241,029,193
Expenditure by Objective				
Favourable Protection Environment				
Law and policy	0	0	1,583,122	1,583,122
Legal remedies and legal assistance	4,396,156	236,963	16,323,944	20,957,063
Public attitudes towards persons of concern	244,329	0	6,212	250,541
Subtotal	4,640,485	236,963	17,913,278	22,790,726
Fair Protection Processes and Documentation				
Reception conditions	278,830	0	0	278,830
Registration and profiling	2,921,044	0	3,096,210	6,017,253
Civil status documentation	235,184	0	0	235,184
Subtotal	3,435,058	0	3,096,210	6,531,268
Security from Violence and Exploitation				
SGBV prevention and response	2,118,736	0	2,617,283	4,736,019
Child protection	2,644,237	0	4,530,278	7,174,515
Subtotal	4,762,973	0	7,147,560	11,910,534
Basic Needs and Essential Services				
Health	4,523,490	0	0	4,523,490
Food security	235,184	0	0	235,184
Water	1,037,358	0	0	1,037,358
Sanitation and hygiene	1,479,739	0	0	1,479,739
Shelter and infrastructure	14,122,025	0	27,430,955	41,552,980
Basic and domestic and hygiene items	22,575,560	0	47,813,871	70,389,432
Education	2,632,748	0	0	2,632,748
Subtotal	46,606,105	0	75,244,826	121,850,931
Community Empowerment and Self Reliance				

	Pillar 1 Refugee programme	Pillar 2 Stateless programme	Pillar 4 IDP projects	Total
Community mobilization	3,925,788	0	2,742,357	6,668,145
Co-existence with local communities	2,131,272	0	4,084,506	6,215,778
Self-reliance and livelihoods	235,184	0	0	235,184
Subtotal	6,292,244	0	6,826,862	13,119,107
Durable Solutions				
Voluntary return	0	0	1,177,568	1,177,568
Resettlement	615,617	0	4,302	619,919
Subtotal	615,617	0	1,181,870	1,797,486
Leadership, Coordination and Partnerships				
Camp management and coordination	3,733,015	0	17,331,001	21,064,016
Subtotal	3,733,015	0	17,331,001	21,064,016
Logistics and Operations Support				
Supply chain and logistics	666,735	0	5,008,704	5,675,440
Operations management, coordination and support	1,495,969	0	7,691,385	9,187,354
Subtotal	2,162,704	0	12,700,089	14,862,793
2018 Expenditure Total	72,248,201	236,963	141,441,697	213,926,861

**Income from contributions includes indirect support costs that are recovered from contributions to Pillars 3 and 4, supplementary budgets and the “New or additional activities – mandate-related” (NAM) Reserve. Contributions towards all pillars are included under Pillar 1.*