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KEY FIGURES

87,000 IDPs¹

from Falluja and surrounding areas since May

48,000 IDPs²

from Mosul and surrounding areas since March

78,000 IDPs³

from Shirqat, Al Qayyarah and surrounding areas since June

3.385 million IDPs⁴

since January 2014

233,900 Iraqi refugees⁵
in the region

FUNDING

UNHCR's overall appeal of

USD 584 million

for IDPs and Iraqi refugees in the region is

38% funded

including recent announcements and projections

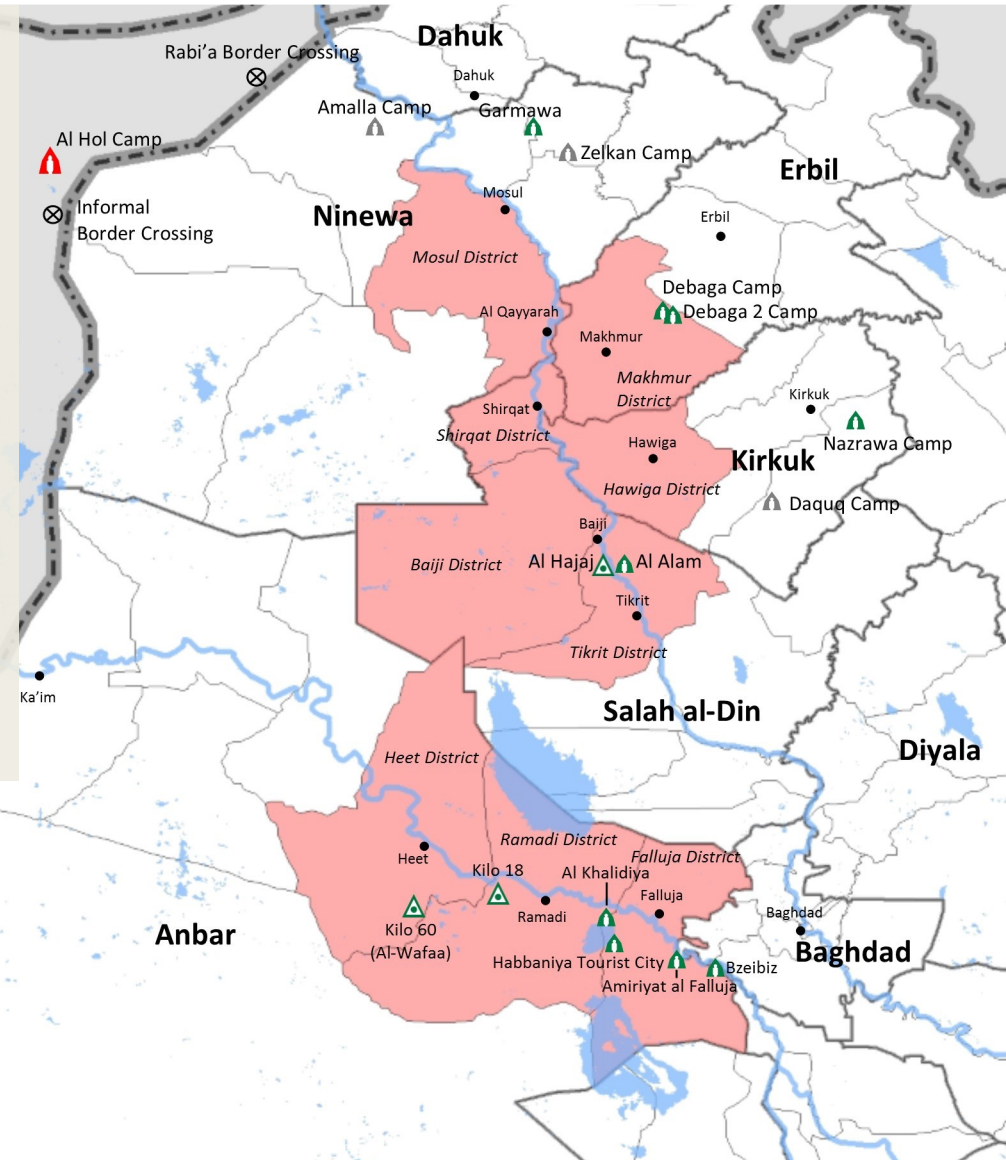


IRAQ: FLASH UPDATE

23 August 2016

MOSUL CORRIDOR

- 1,200 IDPs arrived in Debaga between 18 and 21 August, bringing the camp population to over 34,000. Most fled armed clashes in areas surrounding Al Qayyarah, often leaving their homes with such haste that they could not bring personal documents such as ID cards, marriage certificates, and birth certificates.
- 1,300 IDPs fled from Hawiga district and surrounding areas to Kirkuk between 17 and 21 August, with over 1,150 of them now hosted in Nazrawa Camp.
- Over 8,000 IDPs passed through the Al Hajaj transit centre between 20 and 22 August. Over 83,000 IDPs have now passed through the transit centre since July according to the Ministry of Migration and Displacement (MoMD). Most have been sponsored and moved on, primarily to Tikrit. However, nearly 230 families (nearly 14,000 IDPs) and 200 single men are awaiting sponsorship.



● City	⊗ Crossing Point	⊠ International Border
○ Village	⚠ Refugee Camp	▭ Governorate Border
▲ IDP Camp	⊠ Crossing Point	▭ District Border
▲ IDP Transit Centre	⚠ Refugee Camp	■ District of interest
▲ IDP Transit Centre	⊠ Crossing Point	— River
▲ IDP Transit Centre	⊠ Crossing Point	— Lake
▲ IDP Transit Centre	⊠ Crossing Point	▲ Planned Camp

Note: Only selected camps and transit locations featured.

- IOM Displacement Tracking Matrix (DTM) from 23 May to 20 June + UNHCR Field estimates for Jazerat Al Khalidiya
- UNHCR Debaga/Garmawa— Iraq and Al Hol Camp—Syria
- IOM DTM from 16 June to 21 August
- IOM DTM from 1 January 2014 to 3 August 2016
- Iraqis registered with UNHCR in Egypt, GCC, Iran, Jordan, Lebanon, Syria and Turkey as of 31 July 2016

ANBAR CORRIDOR

- Over 314,000 IDPs returned to Ramadi between 1-19 August, according to MoMD. However, risks in areas that have been retaken persist: on 21 August one person was killed and two were injured while clearing a booby-trapped house in Ramadi.

Transfer of IDPs from Debaga to Kirkuk

- Although the sponsorship scheme has been suspended since the beginning of August, local authorities in Kirkuk and Erbil facilitated the transfer from Debaga Camp to Laylan Camp (in Kirkuk) on 21 August of 770 IDPs who had civil IDs issued in Kirkuk.

Increasing camp capacity in Ninewa, Dahuk and Erbil Governorates

- Local authorities have secured land to add 1,000 family tents in Garmawa Camp to accommodate new arrivals fleeing Mosul.
- Zelkan Camp in Sheikhan district is nearly ready to begin accommodating 1,000 families, with 65% of the overall construction of the camp site completed. Work began on 20 August on the construction of Amalla Camp in Telfar district, which will accommodate 3,000 families.
- Authorities have identified a new site with a capacity of 1,500 family tents in Nargizley village in Sheikhan district. UNHCR participated in an interagency mission on 22 August to assess the proposed site.
- MoMD has informed UNHCR that it plans to establish camps for some 25,000 IDP families to address the Mosul emergency and is currently identifying possible locations.

Increasing arrivals into Kirkuk

- IDPs arriving in Kirkuk have reported that they had to trek long distances on dangerous roads. Many families became stranded along the frontlines for days awaiting an opening to cross. Local authorities have allowed families from Salah al-Din Governorate to transit through Kirkuk back to Salah al-Din. They have also been allowing IDPs from Hawiga to enter Nazrawa Camp. UNHCR is advocating with authorities to secure access for families stranded or awaiting approval to cross checkpoints.
- Emergency shelter capacity in Kirkuk is overstretched. The majority of new arrivals go to Nazrawa Camp, where UNHCR is preparing a further 100 family tents. Work is also ongoing in Daquq Camp to host over 1,000 IDP families.

Return plans to Baiji

- Authorities have announced they will begin to allow families to return to some areas that have been cleared in Baiji district in Salah al-Din Governorate. Authorities began a garbage and debris removal campaign on 21 August in preparation for returns and for the possible hosting of IDPs from Al Qayarah and Shirqat.

Return plans for Falluja

- Iraqi Security Forces have begun establishing new checkpoints along main streets in Falluja to promote security within the city. Authorities have given approval to 1,000 IDP families to begin returning to Al Karmah northeast of Falluja and 150 IDP families to Al-Falahat west of the city. Further returns have been scheduled for the coming days.
- Local authorities are continuing to call for more volunteers to participate in the cleaning campaign in Falluja, and are providing transportation and travel authorizations for volunteers to go back and forth between Baghdad and Falluja.



UNHCR distributed mattresses, water jerry cans, and other essential basic items to 315 IDP families newly arriving into Tirkit in Salah al-Din Governorate on 20 August. Since 15 July, UNHCR has distributed over 1,300 kits of core relief items to out-of-camp IDPs in Tikrit. © UNHCR/Idrees Mutlak