Displacement Tracking Matrix
IDP Locations & Population
IRAQ IDP Crisis - January 2014 to 30 July 2017

IOM’s DTM aims to monitor displacement and provide accurate data about the IDP population in Iraq. Data is collected by Rapid Assessment and Response Teams (RART), composed of 122 staff on the entire Iraqi territory. Data is gathered via a network of over 9,500 key informants.

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IDPs by location of displacement

High concentration

Low concentration

Locations

From the start of January 2014 through 30 July 2017, the DTM has identified 3,295,602 internally displaced individuals (549,267 families). This map shows locations where IDPs are currently residing, as well as overall concentrations across the country.

Anbar governorate hosts the second largest IDP population (12% or 380,484 individuals), of whom 99% are from Ninewa governorate. The majority of IDPs (82%) were displaced in August 2014, while almost no IDPs hosted in the governorate were displaced after September 2014. In terms of shelter arrangements, Dahuk hosts 20% of the total IDP population housed in camps (155,286 individuals), corresponding to 41% of the IDP population in Dahuk. Instead, about 41% are housed in private settings, and only 18% is in critical shelter arrangements.

Ninewa governorate hosts the largest IDP population (31% or 1,025,736 individuals) and reports a very high rate of intra-governorate displacement, with 99% of IDPs originally from the same governorate. IDPs were displaced mainly in August 2014 (13%) and after October 2016 (77%). The majority (40%) is in camps, while a smaller portion housed in private settings (16%), out of which 9% in host families and 7% in rented houses. Finally, Ninewa governorate hosts 18% of the total returnees (343,020 individuals).

Erbil governorate hosts the fourth largest IDP population (10% or 339,384 individuals). The majority of this population is originally from Ninewa governorate (46%), while a smaller portion (38%) are from Anbar governorate. IDPs were displaced mainly after June-July 2014 (41%) and before June 2014 (19%). The vast majority (89%) is hosted in private settings. In addition, Erbil hosts 2% of the total returnee population (34,074 individuals).

Kirkuk governorate hosts the third largest displaced population (11% or 361,524 individuals). IDPs in Kirkuk are mainly from Salah al-Din (21%), Anbar (13%), and from within Kirkuk governorate (53%). They were displaced mainly in both June-July 2014 (19%) and September 2014-March 2015 (19%). The majority of IDPs (59%) are in rented houses. Lower shares are in camps (12%) and critical shelters (6%). Furthermore, Kirkuk hosts less than 1% of the total returnee population (3,474 individuals).