



## IRAQ SITUATION

### UNHCR FLASH UPDATE

14 August 2017

#### KEY FIGURES

**839,490**

Internally displaced Iraqis verified as being currently displaced from Mosul and surrounding areas since military operations to retake the city began on 17 October 2016<sup>1</sup>

**593,395**

IDPs, returnees and members of the host community from Mosul and surrounding areas assisted by UNHCR since 17 October 2016.

**271,171**

Individuals (56,244 households) impacted by military operations to retake Mosul since October 2016 are currently enrolled in

**ASSIST**, UNHCR's assistance tracking tool

**3.3 million**

IDPs since January 2014<sup>2</sup>

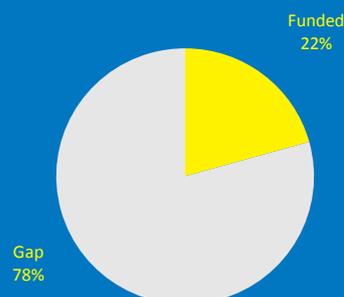
**257,476** Iraqi refugees

hosted in countries in the region, and **22,408** Iraqis received in camps in Hassakeh, Syria since 17 October 2016

#### FUNDING

**USD 578 million**

requested for IDPs and Iraqi refugees in the region in 2017



<sup>1</sup>IOM-DTM Emergency Tracking since 17 October 2016.

<sup>2</sup>IOM-DTM as of 30 July 2017.

#### POPULATION MOVEMENTS

**Displaced families from Mosul continue to arrive in camps.** Between 9 and 10 August, 17 families arrived at Nargizlia 1 and 2 camps (north-east of Mosul) while 171 families arrived at camps east of Mosul. The majority of families were from various locations in west Mosul, had experienced multiple-displacement and were arriving to the camps after running out of resources to pay for rent and basic goods.

**New displacement from Tel Afar.** On 10 August, some 136 families (953 individuals) arrived to the Hammam al-Alil screening site (south of Mosul) from Tel Afar and nearby villages fearing intensification of conflict. Families are finding shelter with relatives or renting accommodation in east Mosul, Hammam al-Alil or Qayyarah areas, or in camps east of Mosul.

**Newly displaced families from Hawiga arrived at camps in Salah al-Din Governorate.** Between 9 and 10 August, 14 families who had fled from Hawiga (Kirkuk Governorate) through the Hamreen mountains arrived at the Al-Hayakil screening site outside of Baiji city in Salah al-Din. From there, the families were transported around 20 km south to Al Alam and Karamah camps.

**Departures from camps around Mosul have continued.** Between 9 and 10 August, 226 families departed from camps east of Mosul and 39 families from camps north of Mosul. Most sought to return to their homes, while a few left to join families and relatives in other locations; or in the case of families leaving from camp in the north, to work tending herds in villages around Dahuk Governorate.

#### SITUATION UPDATE

UNHCR has been [stepping up its aid effort](#) for IDP families in Mosul, including those who have recently returned to the city. UNHCR, together with its partner, has distributed shelter kits to more than 3,200 families in east and west Mosul, and cash assistance to 700 vulnerable families. Given the scale of the destruction in Mosul, particularly in the western part of the city, humanitarian needs remain high.

United Nations Secretary-General's Envoy on Youth, Jayathma Wickramanayake, [highlighted](#) on 12 August that challenges will remain and continue to obstruct the path to development and peace if young people do not have real opportunities for education, employment and civic participation. As one of the most youthful countries in the world, with over 60 per cent of the population under the age of 25, Iraq – despite the many challenges it faces – is uniquely positioned to harness the potential of its young generation to promote peace and prosperity.

Investment in healthcare is urgently required to save the lives of mothers and newborn babies in Iraq. The Ministry of Health has [launched](#) the Every Newborn Action Plan (ENAP) – developed with UNICEF, WHO and UNFPA – to serve as a roadmap that redefines and focuses national and sub-national strategies and activities to reduce deaths and disability, ensuring no newborn is left behind.

#### RESPONSE UPDATE

**55,584 families from Hawiga and Tel Afar currently hosted in camps in and around Mosul.** The camps have capacity to accommodate a further 8,699 families and additional shelter plots are planned to house 13,448 more families.

**Ninewa Civil Affairs Office conducted their first mobile mission to Khazer M1 and Hasansham U3 camps.** 27 civil IDs were processed with the support of UNHCR's protection partner. Also, UNHCR's partner conducted 132 legal consultations and facilitated the issuance of seven birth certificates from the Erbil Maternity Hospital for IDPs in camps east of Mosul.