



IRAQ SITUATION

UNHCR FLASH UPDATE

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KEY FIGURES

821,838

Internally displaced Iraqis verified as being currently displaced from Mosul and surrounding areas since military operations to retake the city began on 17 October 2016¹

558,487

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

245,975

Individuals (50,706 households) impacted by military operations to retake Mosul since October 2016 are currently enrolled in

ASSIST, UNHCR's assistance tracking tool

3 million

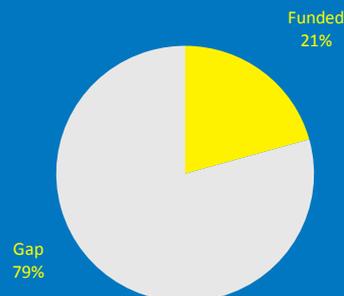
IDPs since January 2014²

257,476 Iraqi refugees hosted in countries in the region, and **21,124** Iraqis received in Al Hol camp in Syria since 17 October 2016

FUNDING

USD 578 million

requested for IDPs and Iraqi refugees in the region in 2017



¹IOM-DTM Emergency Tracking since 17 October 2016.

²IOM-DTM as of 15 June 2017.

POPULATION MOVEMENTS

Cumulatively, 1,034,670 individuals (172,445 families) have been displaced due to the conflict in Mosul. 212,832 individuals (35,472 families) have returned to their areas of origin, and 821,838 individuals (136,973 families) remain displaced. The UN estimates that [up to 20,000 civilians](#), remain trapped in neighbourhoods controlled by extremist groups in Mosul's Old City.

Steady increase in arrivals to Hammam Al-Alil (HAA) screening site. Between 4 and 5 July, around 3,650 individuals (608 families) arrived at HAA and 2,672 individuals (445 families) reached the Ninewa Hotel screening site. During the same period, 120 families departed the HAA screening site; 84 families were transferred to the government's Hammam Al-Alil 1 camp, 16 families to Al Salamiyah 1 camp, and 3 families to Al Salamiyah 2 camp. In addition, 12,850 individuals (2,141 families) crossed the Victory Bridge back towards west Mosul, mainly to visit relatives and check properties. Many have since returned to areas of displacement due to lack of services.

Arrivals to and departures from camps north of Mosul decrease further. Between 4 and 5 July, only 44 individuals (8 families) arrived to and 7 individuals (1 family) returned from Nargizlia camp, while 34 individuals (8 families) departed on sponsorship. In camps east of Mosul, arrivals continued at a steady daily rate of around 500 individuals per day. Only 67 individuals (23 families) departed.

SITUATION UPDATE

Basic infrastructure repair in Mosul will cost over USD 1 billion. According to the UN, an initial assessment showed repairing water, sewage and electricity infrastructure and reopening schools and hospitals would cost more than [twice initial estimates](#).

Displaced children fleeing Mosul have severe form of psychological trauma that can cause lifelong damage. [Save the Children](#) interviewed 65 displaced children in Hammam al-Alil camp and found signs of toxic stress from living in areas controlled by armed groups. 90 per cent had suffered the loss of a loved one, and the majority had nightmares. Almost all were slow to understand instructions and displayed "robotic" behaviour, unable to play or show emotion.

UNHCR welcomes €13 million donation from Germany as Mosul response continues. The latest [contribution from Germany](#) will help UNHCR to continue its humanitarian assistance and protection activities in Iraq, including to those displaced from Mosul and surrounding areas.

RESPONSE UPDATE

UN halts missions south of Mosul. Due to an increasing number of security incidents in the areas where Hammam Al-Alil and Al Salamiyah camps are located, UNHCR has had to recall colleagues and suspend missions. The Iraqi Security Forces have alerted the police to strengthen security checks, and the UN is working with government security forces to clarify the situation.

Of UNHCR's overall funding requirements of USD 212 million in 2017 to provide protection, shelter and camp coordination and camp management assistance to IDPs in Mosul, [USD 126 million are urgently required](#) to meet critical needs of vulnerable children, women and men displaced from and returning to Mosul.