

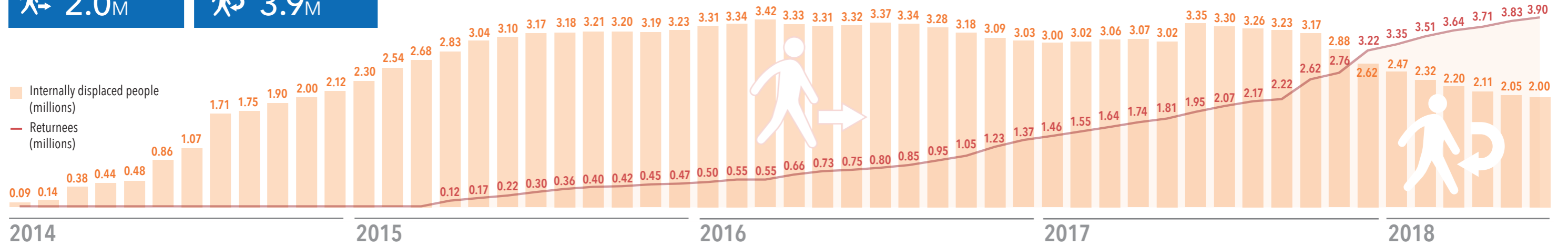
IRAQ: Timeline of displacement and returns (as of 30 June 2018)

TOTAL IDPs

2.0M

TOTAL RETURNEES

3.9M



JAN 2014
Fighting begins in Anbar and Fallujah falls, displacing about 85,000 people.

MAY 2014
People displaced by violence in Anbar reach 550,000.

JUN 2014
Mosul falls and violence spreads across north-central Iraq. Conflict-related displacements increase to 1.2 million, though some displaced quickly return to Mosul.

AUG 2014
Attacks on Sinjar, Zummar and the Ninewa Plains displace nearly 1 million people within weeks, pushing the number of displaced Iraqis to 1.8 million.

JAN 2015
Displacement increases to about 2.2 million people due to insecurity and conflict in central and northern regions.

MAY 2015
Military operations in Anbar trigger displacement. About 116,850 displaced people returned to their homes.

JUN 2015
Revised HRP launched. US\$498 million requested for July - December 2015.

SEP 2015
Cholera outbreak begins, affecting central and southern Iraq. By December, 17 governorates are affected, over 2,800 cases are laboratory confirmed and two deaths are registered.

DEC 2015
Military operations to retake Ramadi intensify, opening a new phase in the Iraq crisis. Around 30,000 people are displaced in December and January 2016 as a result.

MAR 2016
Battles to retake Heet and surrounding areas and along the Mosul corridor begin, displacing over 50,000 people by end of May.

JUN 2016
Over 85,000 people are rapidly displaced from Fallujah as the city is retaken by Iraqi security forces.

SEP 2016
Military operations along the Anbar and Mosul corridors displace more than 500,000 people by end-September.

OCT 2016
The fight for Mosul begins on 17 October, leading to severe protection threats for over 1 million civilians. Around 90,000 people are displaced in the first two months of the battle.

NOV 2016
Returns increase dramatically, especially to Anbar, reaching more than 100,000 people per month. A total of 1.2 million people have returned home across Iraq by November.

JUL 2017
Prime Minister announced the complete recapture of Mosul city. Over 1 million people displaced.

SEP 2017
Military operations in Hawiga that began on 21 September displace approximately 42,500 people.

OCT 2017
Approximately 180,000 people displaced due to military realignment in northern Iraq in October.

DEC 2017
In late December 2017, for the first time since the Iraq displacement crisis began in December 2013, IOM recorded more returnees (3.2 million individuals) than people displaced (2.6 million individuals) in Iraq.

JUNE 2018
The trend of increasing numbers of displaced families returning to areas of origin is continuing. By the end of June, more than 3.9 million displaced people returned home.