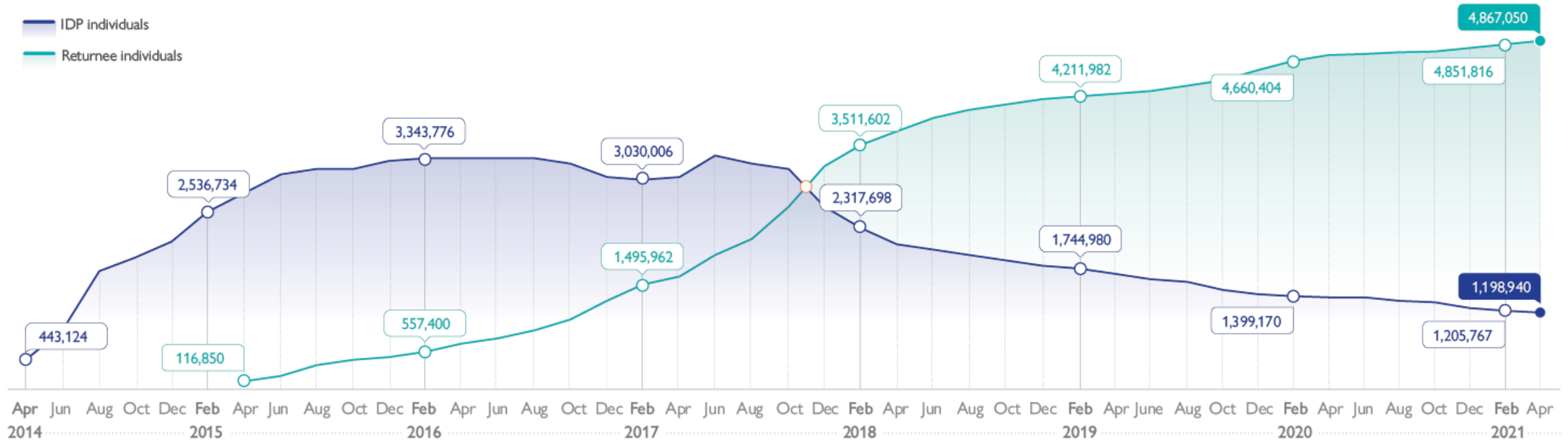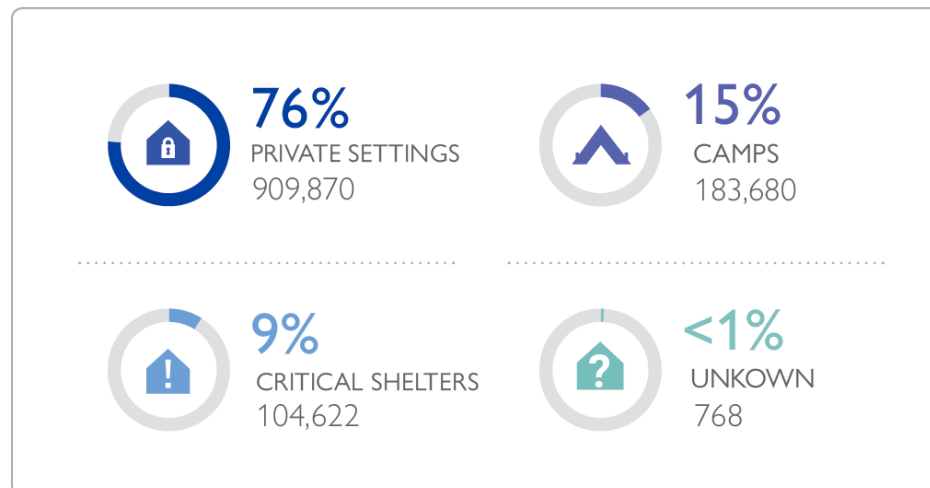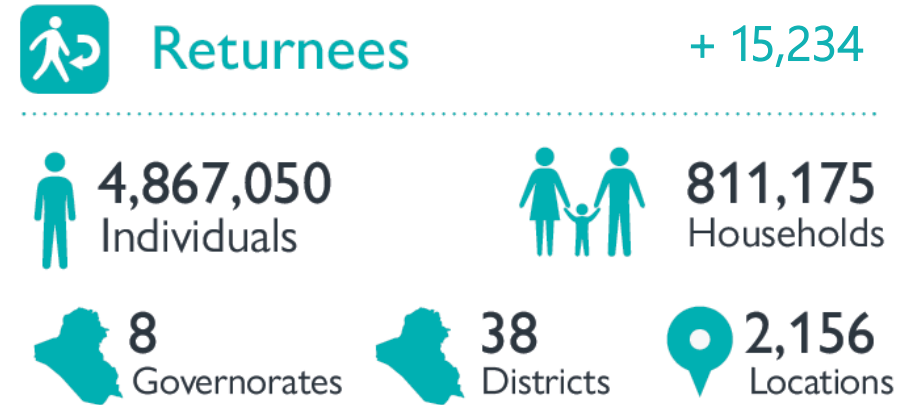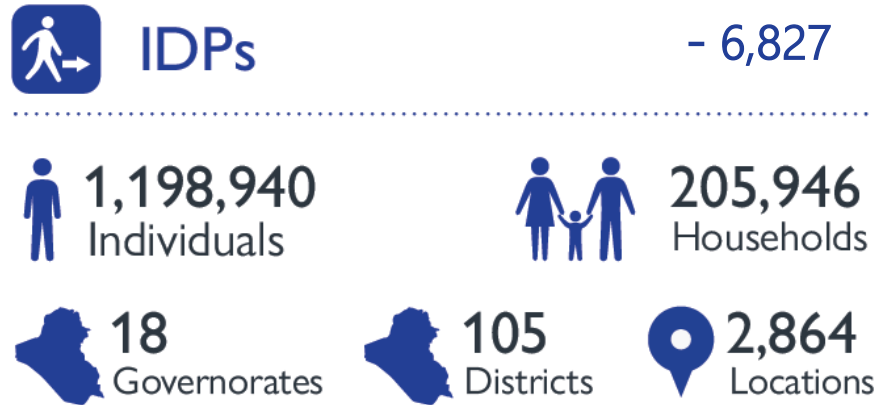# Displacement and Returns Update

Returns Working Group, 29 June 2021

Latest Displacement Data (Mar-Apr 2021)

DTM

Latest Displacement Data (Mar-Apr 2021)

DTM

IDPs — 6,827

- **1,198,940** Individuals
- **205,946** Households
- **18** Governorates
- **105** Districts
- **2,864** Locations

Returnees + 15,234

- **4,867,050** Individuals
- **811,175** Households
- **8** Governorates
- **38** Districts
- **2,156** Locations

IDPs settings

- **76%** PRIVATE SETTINGS — 909,870
- **15%** CAMPS — 183,680
- **9%** CRITICAL SHELTERS — 104,622
- **<1%** UNKOWN — 768

Returnees settings

- **95%** HABITUAL RESIDENCE — 4,608,258
- **4%** CRITICAL SHELTERS — 180,426

Latest Return Index

Return Index Round 12

High Severity	Medium Severity	Low Severity
11%	**40%**	**49%**
512,034 returnees	1,972,404 returnees	2,373,684 returnees

4,858,122 Returnees
+52,518
since Round 11 (November – December 2020)

8 governorates	38 districts	809,687 households	2,128 locations +52 since Round 11

Data collected March–April 2021
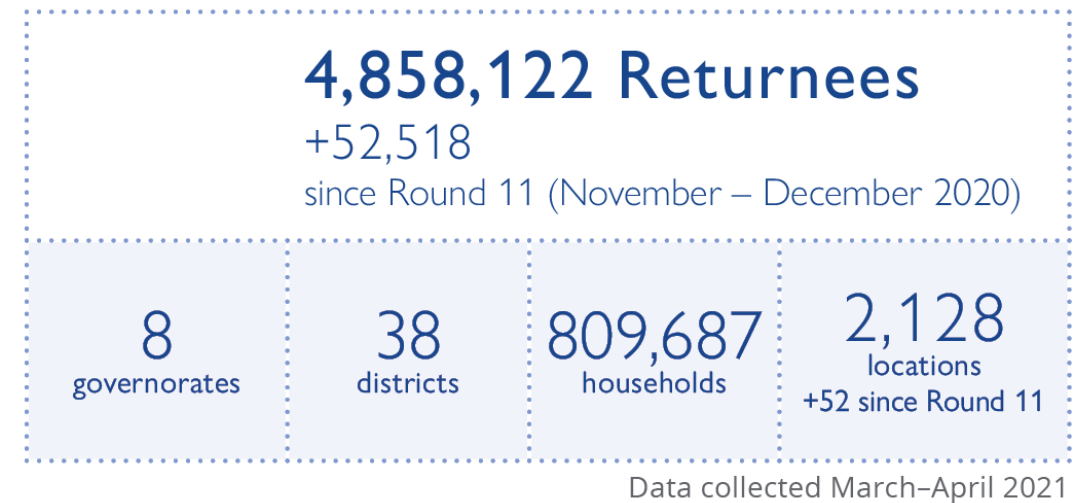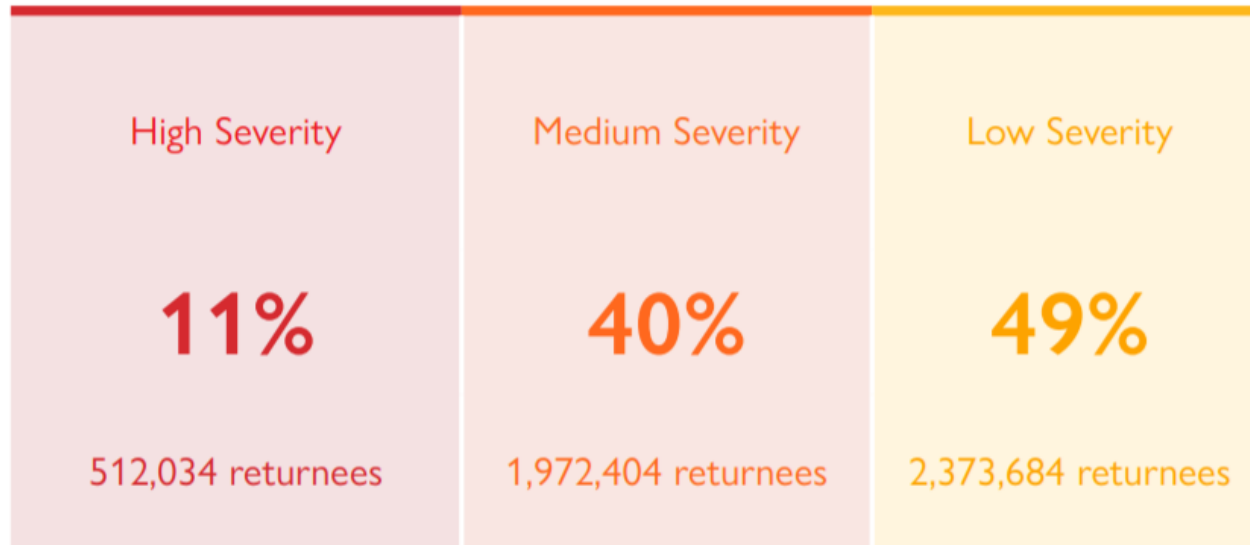
- The data for Round 12 of the Return Index was collected during the months of March and April 2020

- 2,128 locations were covered across Iraq. During Round 12, an additional 52 locations of return were assessed.

- Out of the 2,128 return locations assessed, 448 present severe conditions hosting 11 per cent of the returnee population, or 512,034 individuals

- An increase of 27,486 returnees living in severe or poor conditions has been observed since the round collected in November – December 2020, when 10 per cent of the returnee population (484,548 individuals) were in severe conditions
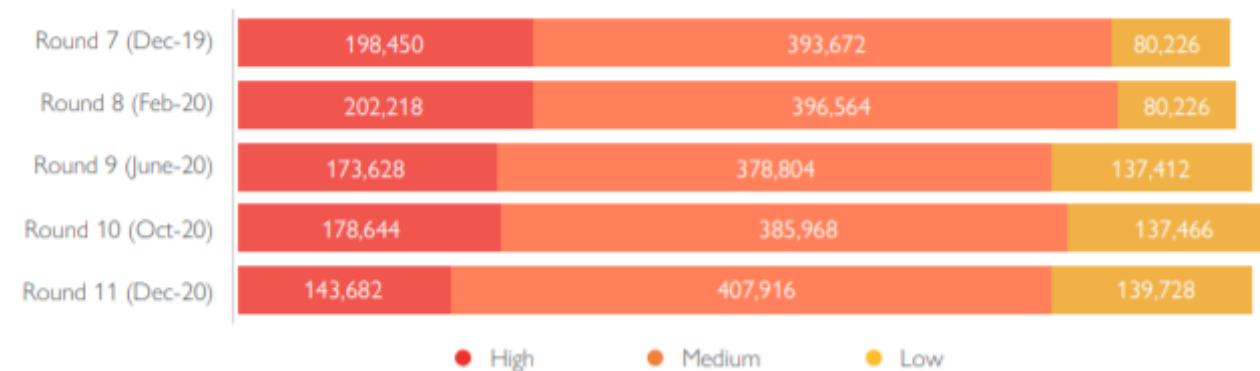
Governorate profiling reports

DTM

- **All reports are published now**

- The Return Index Governorate Profiling provides an analysis of returns in a specific governorate.

- The first section of this report presents the overview of conditions across the governorate at the end of 2020 with a comparison of figures and the severity of living conditions over the course of 2020 (from 31 December 2019 to 31 December 2020).

- It also outlines the areas of no return recorded by IOM's Rapid Assessment and Response Teams (RARTs) as well as newly assessed locations, the returnee population living in critical shelters and the displaced population hosted in the governorate.

RETURN DYNAMICS IN SALAH AL-DIN GOVERNORATE

Proportion and number of returnees by category of severity

	High Severity	Medium Severity	Low Severity
Returnees	143,682	407,916	139,728
Locations	58	120	46

Yearly trend

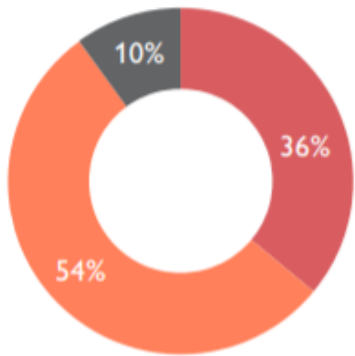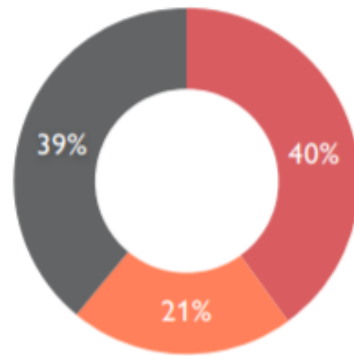|	High	Medium	Low
Round 7 (Dec-19)	198,450	393,672	80,226
Round 8 (Feb-20)	202,218	396,564	80,226
Round 9 (June-20)	173,628	378,804	137,412
Round 10 (Oct-20)	178,644	385,968	137,466
Round 11 (Dec-20)	143,682	407,916	139,728

Governorate profiling reports

- The second section devoted to the mass arrivals from camps due to its closures which began in mid-October pointing out the living conditions of new arrivals either they returned to villages and neighbourhoods of their origin or arrived in new displacement locations.

Distribution of returnees from camps vs returnees from non-camp locations in Salah al-Din by category of severity (December 2019 to December 2020)

Districts recorded new arrivals from camps

RETURNEES FROM CAMPS TO SALAH AL-DIN BY SEVERITY

36%
54%
10%

RETURNEES FROM NON-CAMPS TO SALAH AL-DIN BY SEVERITY

39%
40%
21%

● High   ● Medium   ● Low   ● Not Categorised
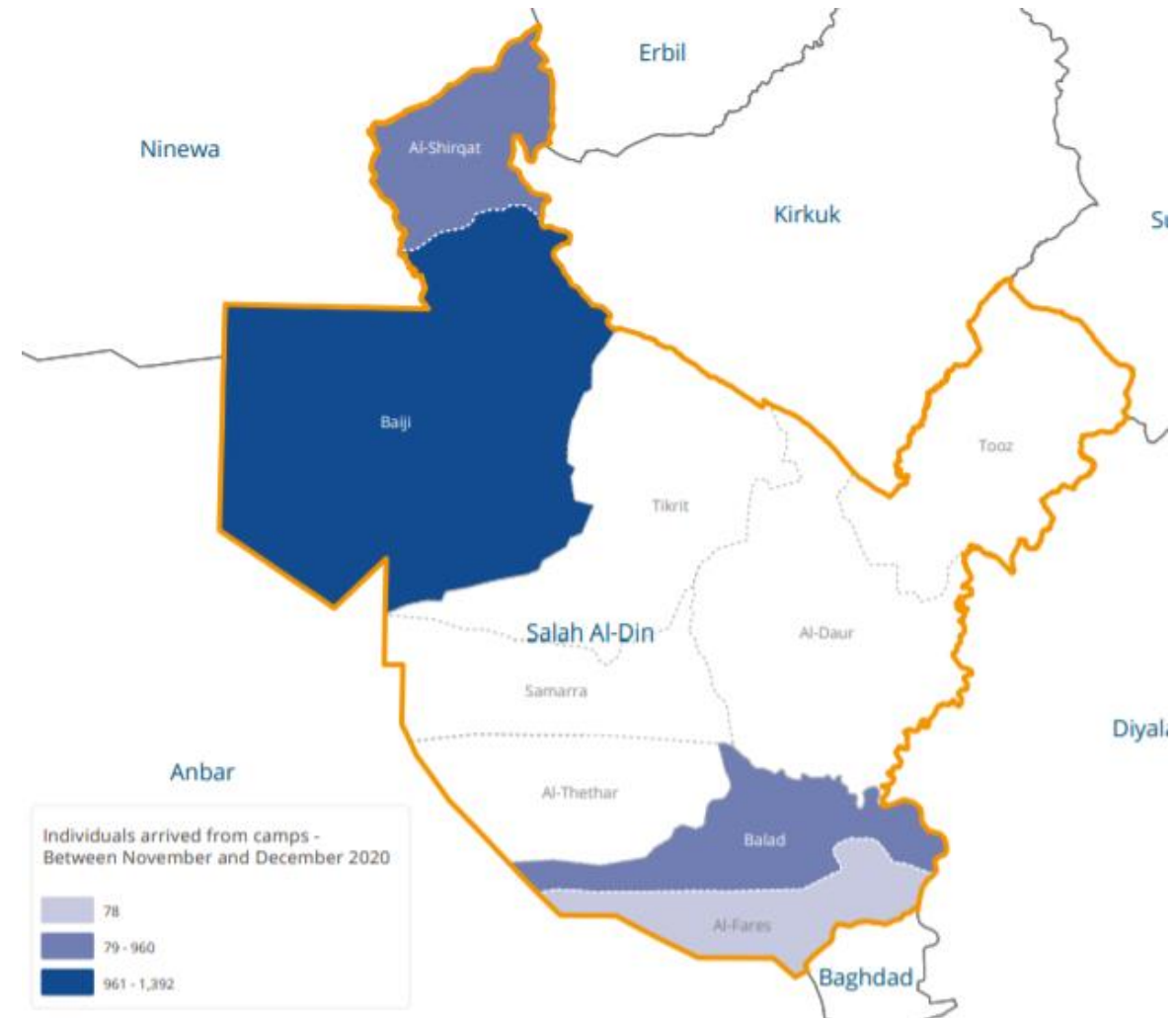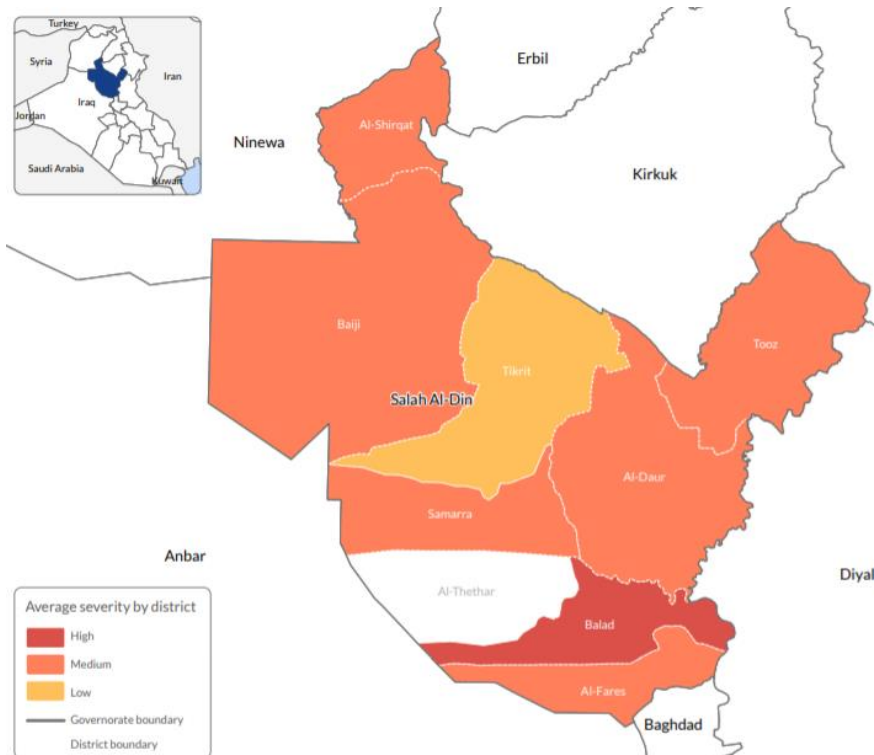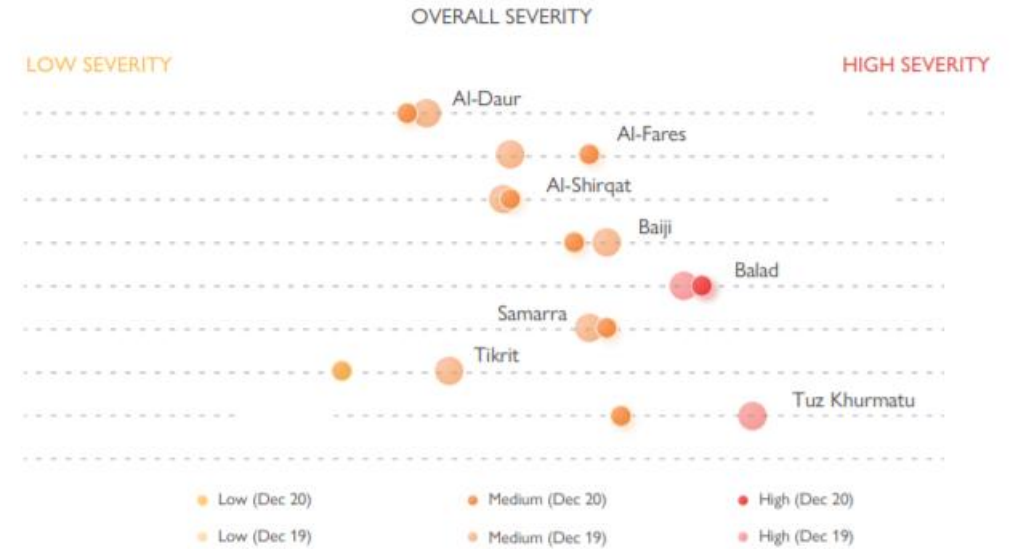
Governorate profiling reports

- The third section of this report provides an analysis of conditions at the district level and focuses on the main drivers of severity across subdistricts and changes that occurred between December 2019 and December 2020.

Districts in Salah al-Din by category of severity

Overall severity per district in Salah al-Din in December 2019 and December 2020
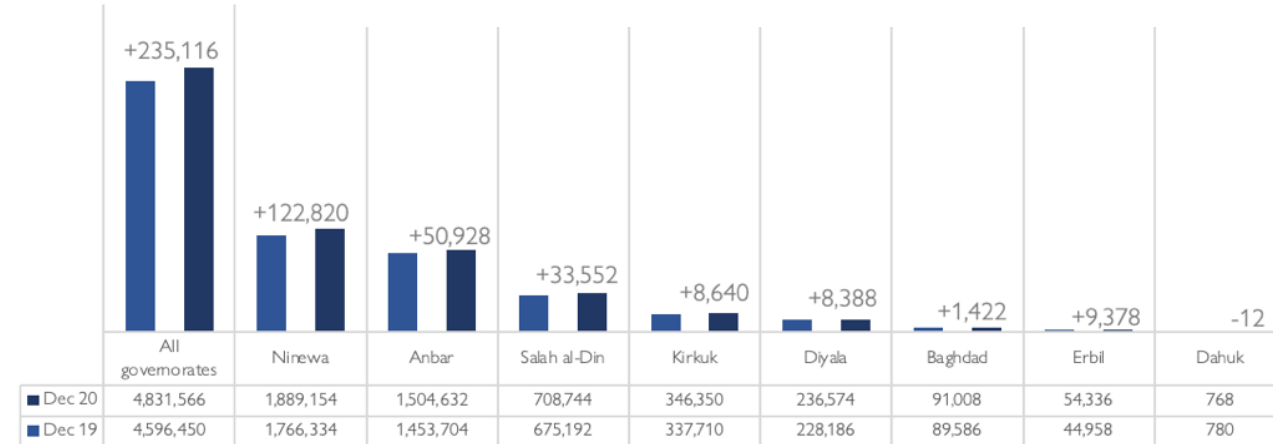

OVERALL SEVERITY

LOW SEVERITY   HIGH SEVERITY

Al-Daur
Al-Fares
Al-Shirqat
Baiji
Balad
Samarra
Tikrit
Tuz Khurmatu

- Low (Dec 20)   - Medium (Dec 20)   - High (Dec 20)
- Low (Dec 19)   - Medium (Dec 19)   - High (Dec 19)

Drivers of severity across subdistricts

Balad	Overall Security	Residential Destruction	Livelihoods	Essential Services	Safety and Security	Social cohesion
Al-Duloeyah	Medium	Low	Low	Low	Low	Medium
Al-Eshaqi	High ▼	High	High ▼	Low	High	High
Markaz Al-Balad	High ▼	High	High ▼	Medium ▼	Low	High
Yathreb	Medium	High	Low ▲	Low	Medium ▼	Medium

▲ – Improvement; ▼ – Worsening compared to the round collected in November – December 2019
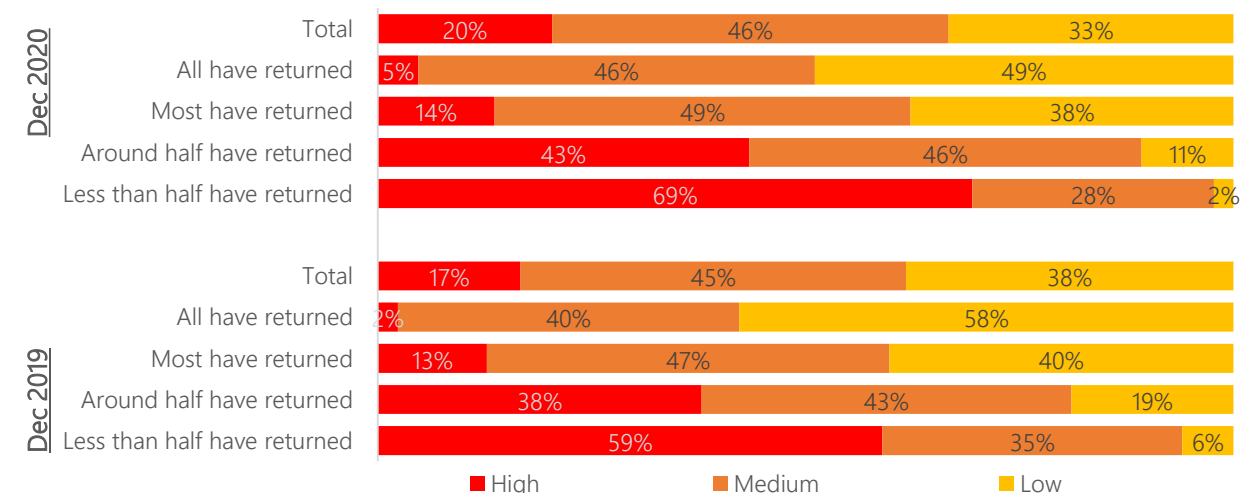
Return Dynamics Annual Report

- **It will be published soon and present**

- conditions across all governorates of return at the end of 2020 and examines the relationship between the rate of return and the severity of those conditions

- outlines the areas of no return and new locations, and the returnee population living in critical shelters

- examines the mass arrivals from camps due to their closure, which began in mid-October

- a more granular analysis of the factors driving severity across 'hotspots' and how these factors changed between December 2019 and December 2020

Changes in returnee population by governorate)

	All governorates	Ninewa	Anbar	Salah al-Din	Kirkuk	Diyala	Baghdad	Erbil	Dahuk
	+235,116	+122,820	+50,928	+33,552	+8,640	+8,388	+1,422	+9,378	-12
Dec 20	4,831,566	1,889,154	1,504,632	708,744	346,350	236,574	91,008	54,336	768
Dec 19	4,596,450	1,766,334	1,453,704	675,192	337,710	228,186	89,586	44,958	780

Rate of return by overall severity (% of locations)

Dec 2020

	High	Medium	Low
Total	20%	46%	33%
All have returned	5%	46%	49%
Most have returned	14%	49%	38%
Around half have returned	43%	46%	11%
Less than half have returned	69%	28%	2%

Dec 2019

	High	Medium	Low
Total	17%	45%	38%
All have returned	2%	40%	58%
Most have returned	13%	47%	40%
Around half have returned	38%	43%	19%
Less than half have returned	59%	35%	6%

■ High ■ Medium ■ Low

Update on the ILA

ILA

- ILA data collection is ongoing
- As of 27 June, 2,199 ILA locations visited so far out of 3,823 identified - all return and displacement locations with 5 HH or more are covered
- On track for scheduled completion date of 19 July
- Dashboards can be expected by mid-August
- All informal sites with 5 HH of more will be mapped, and settlements with 15 HH or more will be surveyed about 25 questions)
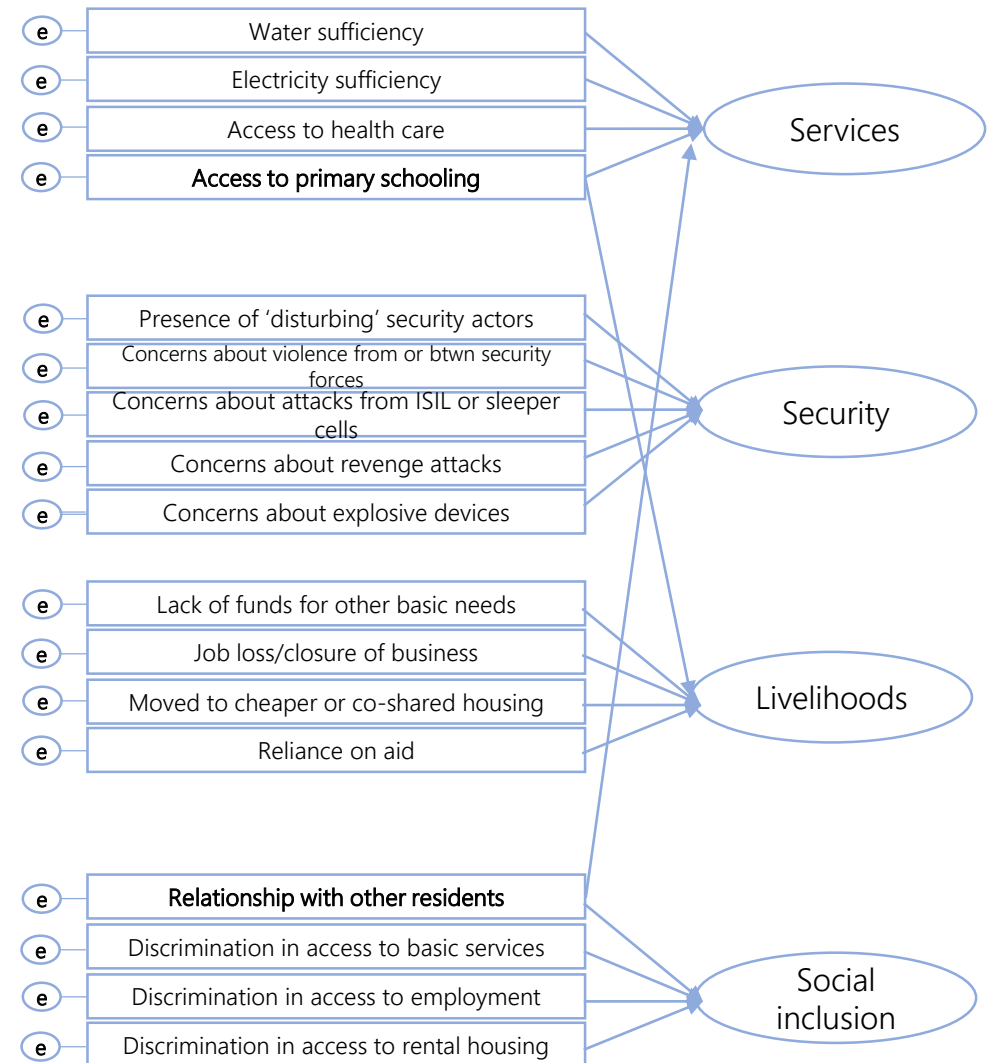
ML

- Next ML will be available early August

Displacement Index

- Pilot #1 – January and February 2021 with 32 questions relevant for the five selected domains
- Pilot #2 – March and April 2021 with 25 questions relevant for the five selected domains
- ILA IV – May, June and July with around 25 DI questions relevant for the five selected domains
- Continuing to refine the model (many of indicators included in ILA)

Current Displacement Index Model

e — Water sufficiency
e — Electricity sufficiency
e — Access to health care
e — **Access to primary schooling**
→ Services

e — Presence of 'disturbing' security actors
e — Concerns about violence from or btwn security forces
e — Concerns about attacks from ISIL or sleeper cells
e — Concerns about revenge attacks
e — Concerns about explosive devices
→ Security

e — Lack of funds for other basic needs
e — Job loss/closure of business
e — Moved to cheaper or co-shared housing
e — Reliance on aid
→ Livelihoods

e — **Relationship with other residents**
e — Discrimination in access to basic services
e — Discrimination in access to employment
e — Discrimination in access to rental housing
→ Social inclusion

RWG Monthly Meeting

June 2021

Agenda: 29 June 2021

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1. **Introduction and adoption of minutes**: Review of May meeting and follow up on action points.

2. **Context updates**: Updates on IDP, Return Movements, Return Index (DTM), CCCM, governorate return updates.

3. **DSTWG Update**: General update and ABC groups.

4. **REACH** : Intentions surveys (camp and informal sites)

5. **Iraq Information Centre**: The Role of the IIC and Partnerships

6. AOB

- Jed'ah 5 Departures (Return and Relocation) :
  - 90 families departed from J5 to various locations within Ninewa, SAD and Makmour
  - Of these: 70 families who expressed interest to relocate and were approved to do so by the local authorities, 19 families returned to AoO
  - Breakdown= 84 families relocated and returned to different parts of Ninewa (mainly Mosul, Hatra, Ba'aj and Qayrawan), 3 families returned to Makhmour and 3 to Shirqat in SAD.
  - Collaboration by many organizations who provided:
    - (a) heath screening prior to departure
    - (b) documentation support for civil documents
    - (c) protection stand-by and post departure protection monitoring
- New round of registration anticipated for first week of July following interest by camp residents.

DSTGW Update

Presented to RWG

29 June 2021

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DSTWG General Updates

o Introduction of new Co-chairs

- Co-chair: Maanasa Reddy – NRC – Co-chair
- Co-chair: Yoko Fujimura – IOM – Co- chair
- Co-chair: Dennis Schleppi – UNDP – Co-chair (dedicated co-chair joining in foreseeable future)

o DSTWG Operational and Strategic Framework

- Priority targets: IDPs in camps, IDPs out of camps, IDPs in secondary displacement, Returnees, Host Communities
- 8 specific objectives
- English version finalized and Arabic version under layout

Sub-Group Updates

1. **Facilitated Movement (IOM)**
   - Toolkit is finalized and is currently under final layout for publishing.

2. **Shelter/HLP (UN-Habitat/pending)**
   - TOR for Shelter/HLP has been finalized. However, we haven't received much of expressions of interest. UNDP and NRC looking into the possibility of providing co-chairs.

3. **Monitoring & Assessment (IOM/REACH)**
   - Developed a broad analysis framework with a compendium of DS outcomes which need to be aligned to SO from OP Framework – have shared with members to try to develop a common set of indicators, it is an ongoing process. Timeline for completion is tentatively August 31, 2021.

4. **Social Cohesion (IOM + UNDP through TCC)**
   - TCC Guidance Note on Social Cohesion received and discussed. Continued priority of National DSTWG to ensure to engage/incorporate social cohesion expertise in ABC Plans of Actions (PoAs).

1. DSTWG will take a more pro-active role in the **Plans of Action** drafting. All seven (7) Plans of Action should be completed by August 31, 2021.

2. Working closely with the M&A Subgroup to ensure that the **Monitoring Framework** is completed. DSTWG currently grappling with questions on: who will be reporting, how often will reporting take place, frequency of analysis, etc.

3. **NGO engagement**. Outreach and information sharing with senior management of NGOs who participate in DS architecture (DSTF, DSTWG, and ABC Level). DSTWG will give a briefing at the NCCI CDs meeting this afternoon. DSTWG NGO members have a meeting next week.

4. Three co-chairs are planning to develop a **national DSTWG workplan for the remainder of 2021** beyond work associated with the sub-groups and ABCs.

ABC Updates

Process

1. Prep by focal points and members - identify key issues, priorities, potential to support, based on available data, assessments, map out key stakeholders to engage

2. Local authority engagement - once proposition of approach ready, can be put forward to key government counterpart

3. Consult other local and international actors for inputs

4. Organise roundtable

5. Further consultations and assessments as required

6. Drafting of plan

7. Plan to be shared for inputs, review

8. Finalisation, implementation, monitoring and follow-up.

LOCALISED DURABLE SOLUTION PLAN OF ACTION

Outreach

↓

Planning

↓

Implementation

↓

Monitoring

ABC Progress

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Area		Initial stakeholder mapping & scoping of priority locations/key issues	Local Authority Roundtables	Extended Partner Outreach/ Consultation	Community Outreach/ Consultation	Key Community actors	# of tentative priority areas	Drafting PoAs
Anbar	West Anbar (Qaim, Heet, Haditha)	Completed	Planned for July 8th	Ongoing (Wider outreach completed)	Commenced and ongoing	Community leaders, Religious leaders, Government officials, Associations, Representatives from both returned and displaced populations, etc.	10	Under Development
	East Anbar (Fallujah, Ramadi)	Completed	Planned July 7th	Ongoing (Wider outreach completed)	Commenced and ongoing		9	Under Development
Kirkuk	Hawiga	Completed	Planned for July 13th	Ongoing (Wider outreach completed)	Commenced and ongoing		Under analysis	Under Development
Ninewa	Sinjar	Completed	Completed	Ongoing (Wider outreach planned for July)	Commenced and ongoing		4	Under Development
	Ba'aj						4	
Diyala	Muqdadiya, Jalawla, Saadiya	Completed	Planned for July 12th	Ongoing (Wider outreach completed)	Commenced and ongoing		23	Under Development
Salah al-Din	Shirqat, Baiji	Completed	Planned for July 13th	Ongoing (Wider outreach completed)	Commenced and ongoing		18	Under Development

Plans of Action

Plan of Action Template Content Table

1. Overview/Executive Summary

2. Guiding Principles and Purpose

3. Situation and Context

4. Implementation Plan

5. Inter-area coordination

6. Government Roles and Responsibilities

7. Monitoring and Tracking

Strategic Priority 5 on Durable Solutions & UNSDCF

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Strategic Priority 1	SP2	SP 3	SP 4
Achieving Social Cohesion, Protection and Inclusion	Growing the Economy for all	Promoting effective, inclusive and Efficient institutions and Services	Strategic Priority 4 - Promoting Natural Resources and Disaster Risks Management and Climate Change Resilience

UNSDCF 2021

SP 1

SP 2

SP 3

SP 4

High level Coordination with GoI

Durable Solutions SP 5

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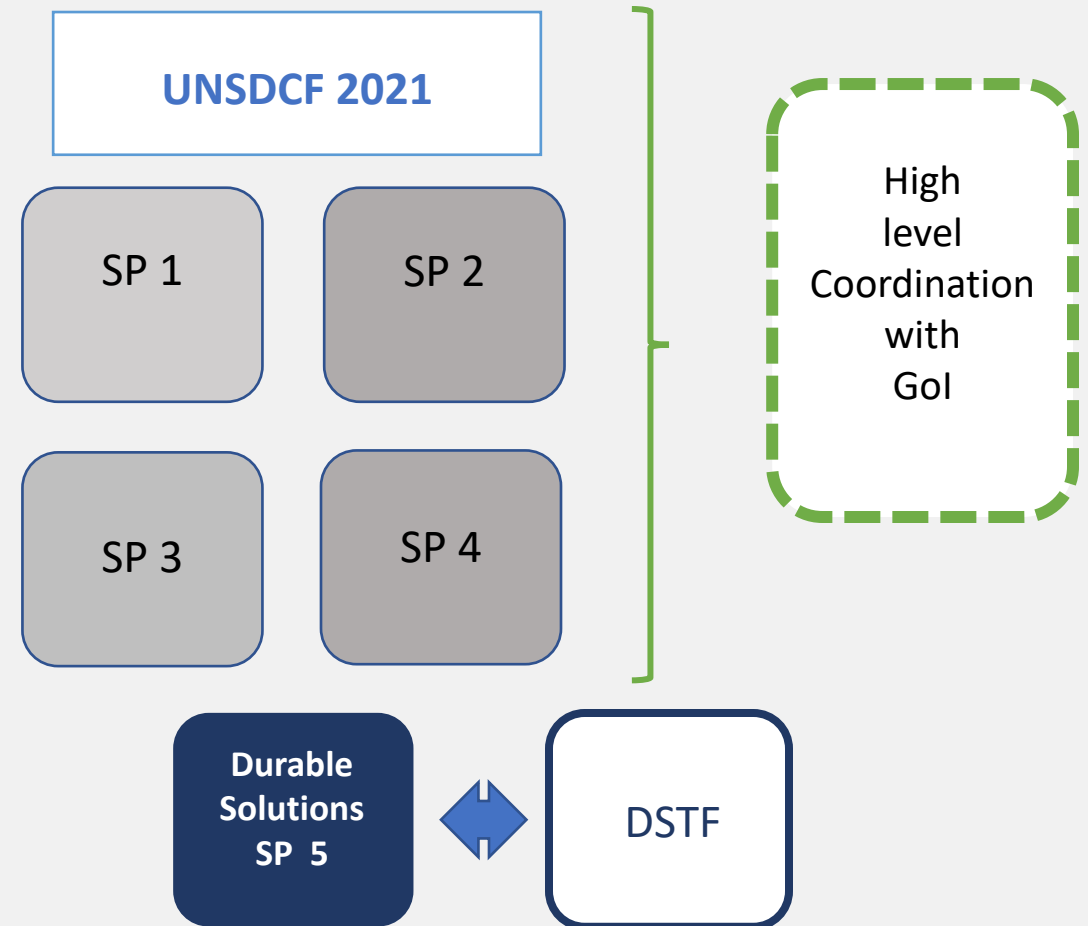
How is the UN *supporting* Durable Solutions through the Cooperation Framework?

- Alignment with national level priorities, plans and frameworks.
- UNSDCF can contribute up to $1.7 billion towards development related Durable Solutions programming for UN agencies (2020 – 2024)
- Activities under UNSDCF will be implemented in the same priority areas; two additional locations (Baghdad and Babylon) under the National Plan.
- Programming areas in UNSDCF support the four executive areas under the National Plan.
- Coordination mechanisms at national level and at ABC level, working with Supreme Committee for relief and support IDPs as well as at the Governorate level.

Financial Information for Strategic Priority Area 5

As shown in a previous slide, under the Cooperation Framework, UN agencies require $1.7 billion in programming for Durable Solutions. This slide shows how outputs under SP 5 have been costed.

Output 5.1.1: Housing and HLP ($262,489,890)
Output 5.1.2: Livelihoods ($205,942,986)
Output 5.1.3: Basic services ($1,148,619,374)
Output 5.1.4: Documentation and rights ($823,476)
Output 5.1.5: Social cohesion ($71,570,127)
Output 5.1.6: Safety and security ($77,591,206)
Output 5.1.7: Facilitated movements ($5,072,464)
Output 5.2.1: Localized and national durable solutions planning,...facilitate the development and implementation of plans and approaches.. ($44,364,390)
Output 5.2.2: Strengthened and effective government engagement and joint planning.. ($16,640,819)

Summary
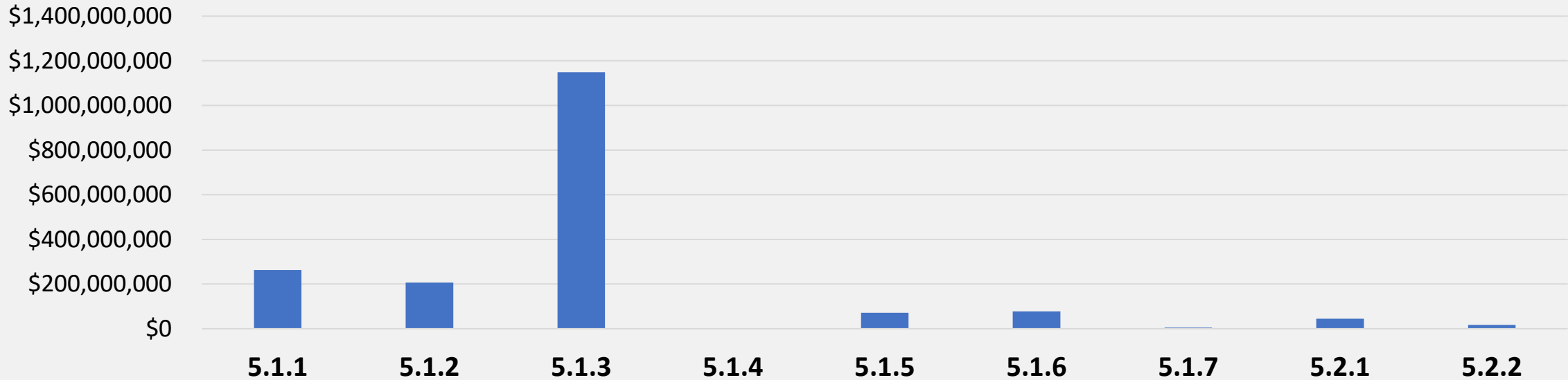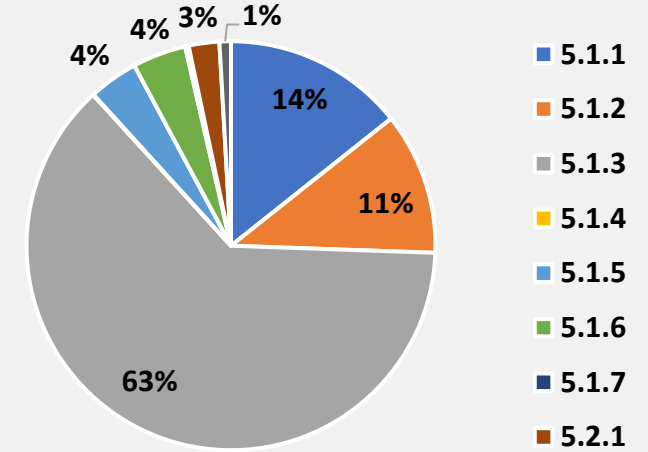
- With the adoption of the "National Plan for Resolving the Displacement of IDPs" – all of the UN efforts are geared to work closely with government counterparts, nationally and locally, to support the implementation of this plan and wider solutions to protracted displacement through the UN Durable Solutions Mechanism

- Through the work of the framework process and support from the Government of Iraq, the UN plans to implement $1.7 billion from now until 2024.

- Discussion on access to funding beyond UNSCDF is key.

- → *Establishment of SP 5 on Durable Solutions in the UNSDCF a milestone at national level to kick-start this cooperation*

Questions?

UNOPS

Iraq Information Centre

IMPLEMENTED BY UNOPS ON BEHALF OF THE IRAQ HUMANITARIAN COUNTRY TEAM

The Iraq Information Centre (IIC) is the Main Accountability Mechanism for the Humanitarian Response in Iraq

- The link between affected populations and humanitarian actors
- Empowering communities through information, accountability, and participation

At the Heart of the IIC Lies the Call Centre

- Free and confidential hotline number
- Operators provide information about humanitarian services, document feedback, and handle complaints
- 600K calls handled since 2015, 3M people reached
- 14,000 monthly calls, calls increasing monthly

Working With Partners

- The IIC collaborates with 13 clusters, subclusters, working groups, 6 UN agencies, multiple INGOs, etc
- The operators are equipped with the latest information about available services provided by clusters and partners
- The centre accepts calls for any humanitarian need

MOST COMMON REQUESTS:

Food, water, and non food items

Camps and shelter

Healthcare

Education for children

Violence and gender-based violence

Legal support

Supporting family reunification

Misuse of power or exploitation of authority by humanitarian actors or government

Prevent of sexual exploitation and abuse by humanitarian actors or government

The IIC Referral Mechanism

IIC RECEIVES A CALL AND RECORDS CASE INFORMATION

STANDARD CALL

80% of caller requests are solved during the first call. In these cases the operators can support the caller directly with standard messaging or with available information.

NON-STANDARD CALLS

Based on their nature, the cases are referred to a cluster, working-group, organization, or agency based upon agreement established with it.

CASE IS CLOSED

Case is closed once the IIC receives information about the action taken and the caller has been contacted in accordance with the IIC SOP.

FOLLOW-UP CALLS

Operators conduct follow-up calls according to the SOPs to monitor progress or to provide feedback to the caller.

CASE MANAGEMENT

The case is received, acknowledged, and reviewed by a partner. Either action is taken to support the beneficiary or feedback is provided to the IIC.

Services Provided by the Iraq Information Centre

- Providing information to partners about humanitarian needs through monthly dashboard
- Mapping urgent needs and service gaps based on calls
- Flexibility to respond to changing contexts
  - COVID-19 dashboard
- Surveying populations on behalf of partners
  - UNICEF, IOM, GTS, CCCM
- Bulk SMS campaign, mass media campaigns
 - 380,000 SMS messages on vaccinations sent out
  - 513 radio ads on COVID-19 played

The IIC is the Main Link Between Affected Populations and Humanitarian Actors

- Ensuring that affected communities are involved in the whole programme cycle
- Ensuring that interventions are targeted, informed, participatory
- Ensuring that affected communities have the information, voice, and power they deserve to shape their future
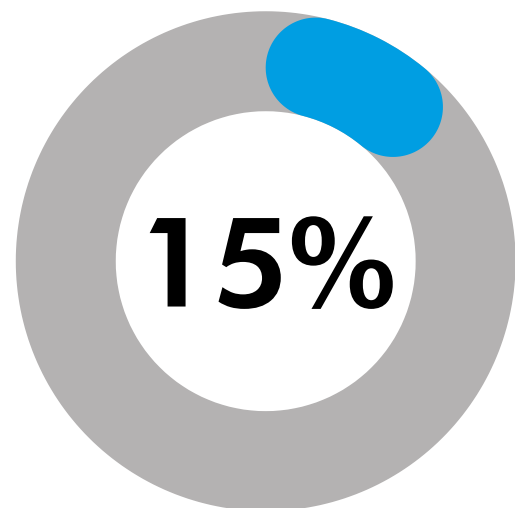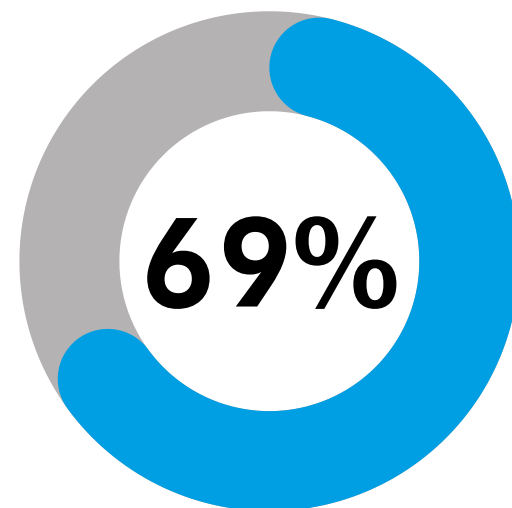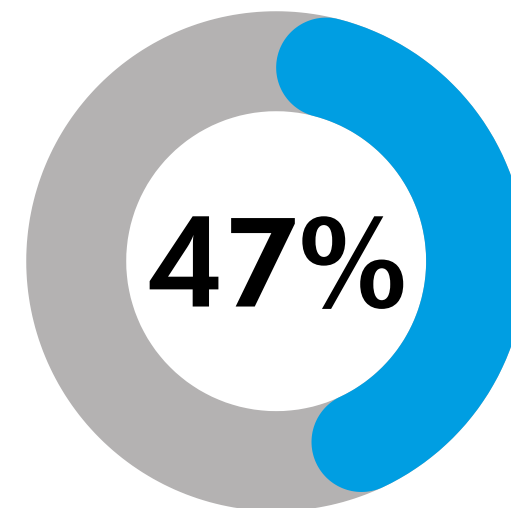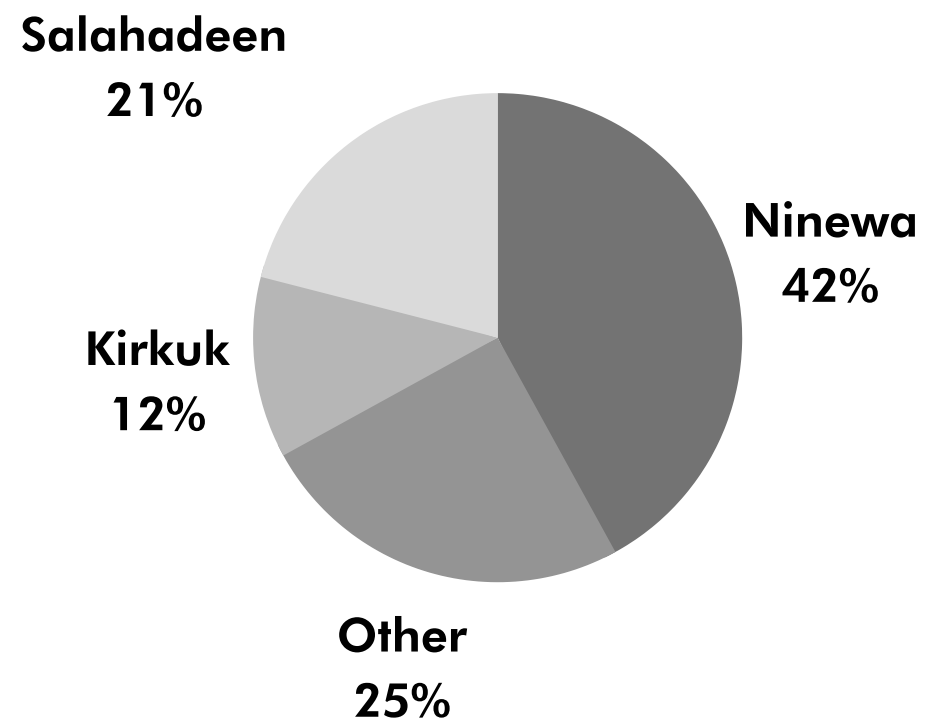
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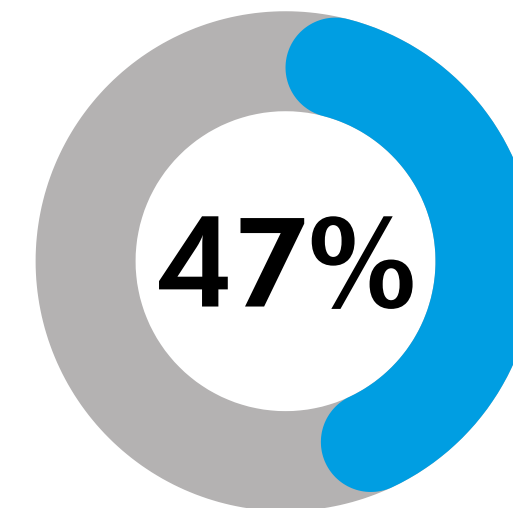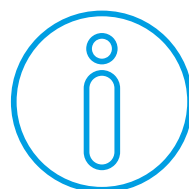
Ensure effective accountability to affected populations.

Direct line to communities.

Information about what is happening on the ground.

Field staff can refer beneficiaries to the IIC for issues outside their scope of work.

At no cost to partners.

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