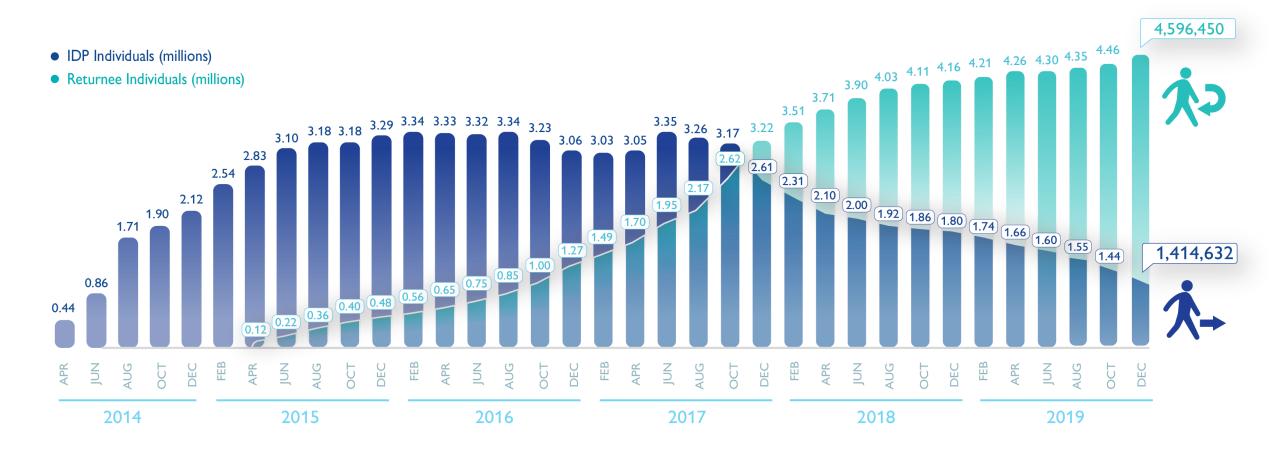


Displacement and Returns Update

Returns Working Group, 29 January 2020

Latest Displacement Data (Nov-Dec 2019)





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IDPs











Returnees























2019 in Figures: Returnees



- Throughout 2019, an additional 431,130 returnees were recorded, which is a significantly lower figure than the 944,948 returnees reported for 2018.
 - Anbar is the governorate where we saw one of the most significant increase in returns and as of Dec 2019, 91% of all IDPs from Anbar have returned
 - Ninewa, while having witnessed high numbers, still didn't see so many return proportionally to its population still displaced and as of Dec 2019, only has 68% of its population having returned
- There was a 14% increase in returnees in critical shelters
 - Even though it decreased in Baghdad, Diyala and Ninewa, in Anbar, we saw a significant increase, as well as in Kirkuk and Salah Al-Din



+431,130 returnees since December 2018, i.e. 10 per cent of the total returnee caseload

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2019 in Figures: IDPs



- Although the overall IDP caseload decreased as of the end of the year, 103,764 individuals were displaced in 2019.
 - Most of these IDPs were re-displaced, either between other locations of displacement (79,134 individuals) or after attempting to return (8,880 individuals).
 - 5,750 of them were displaced for the first time from their area of origin due to the worsening of the security situation, provision of services and employment opportunities.
- IDPs in camps: There was a significant decrease in camp population, nearly 40% change since Dec 2018
- IDPs critical shelter: We noted a decrease of 20% of IDPs in critical shelter, ie about 30 000 less IDPs.
 - Important governorate variations: big decreases in many governorates, mainly in the South and the North, but major increases in Anbar Baghdad as well as Ninewa, after camp consolidation



-388,200 IDPs since December 2018, i.e. 22 per cent of the total IDP caseload

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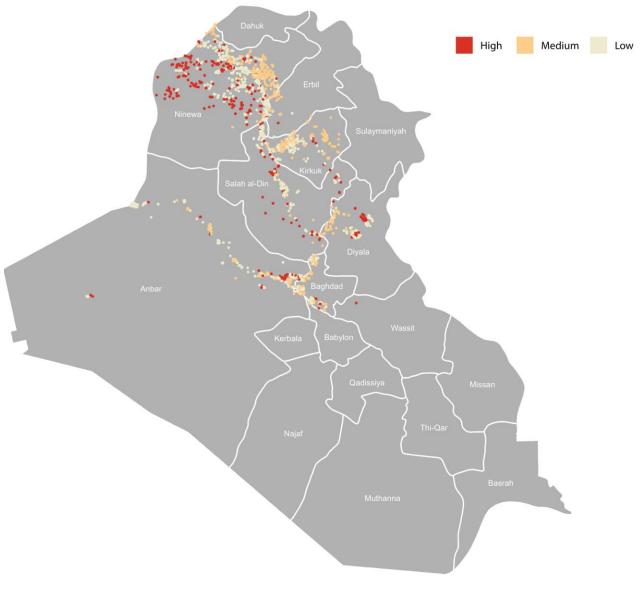
Return Index

Return Index Round 7



Data collected November - December 2019

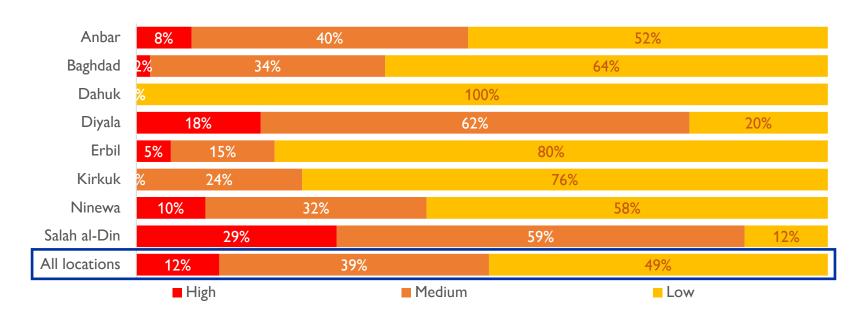
- The data for Round 7 of the Return Index was collected during the months of November and December 2019
- The number of returnees has continued to increase and as of 31 December 2019, an additional 106,938 returnees were identified, reaching a total of 4,479,072 returnees (746,512 households).
- During Round 7, an additional 80 locations of return were assessed.



Return locations per category of severity

Overall Severity

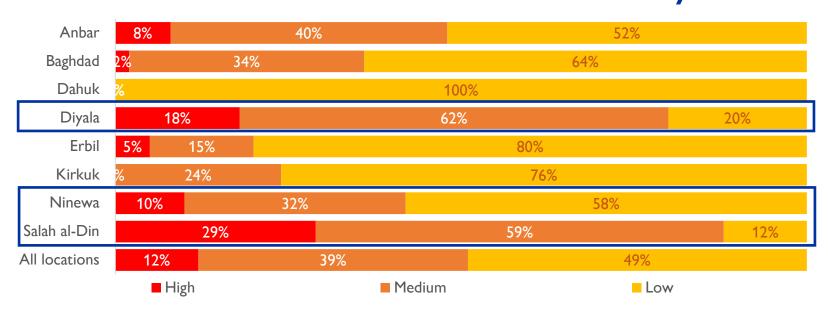




- Out of the 1,754 return locations assessed, 293 present severe conditions hosting 12% of the returnee population (522,090 individuals). This is relatively the same proportion as Round 6.
- An increase of 36,468 returnees living in severe or poor conditions has been observed since the previous round collected in September October 2019.

	HIGH SEVERITY		
Governorate	No. of returnees	No. of locations	
Anbar	103,620	27	
Baghdad	1,932	4	
Dahuk	0	0	
Diyala	41,634	41	
Erbil	2,424	1	
Kirkuk	306	4	
Ninewa	173,724	166	
Salah al-Din	198,450	50	
Total	522,090	293	

Governorate-level Severity



- Salah al-Din and Ninewa remain the governorates hosting the highest number of returnees living in severe conditions, with 198,450 and 173,724 individuals respectively.
- Salah al-Din also presents the highest intra-governorate proportion of returnees living in severe conditions (29%), along with Diyala (18%).
- The highest increase in the numbers of returnees living in severe conditions was witnessed in Anbar (15,060 individuals), Salah al-Din (14,130) and Ninewa (7,224).





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Return Index Dashboard

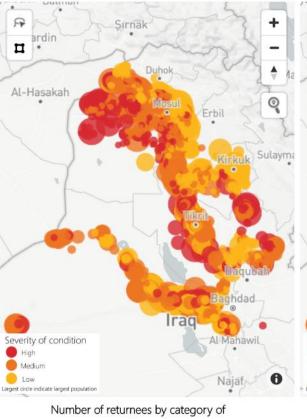




There are many ways to filter the data to be displayed in the map:

- 1. Use the filters to select by governorate, district or subdistrict
- 2. Select an area on the map using the lasso tool.
- 3. Click on a specific governorate in the tables.





overall severity

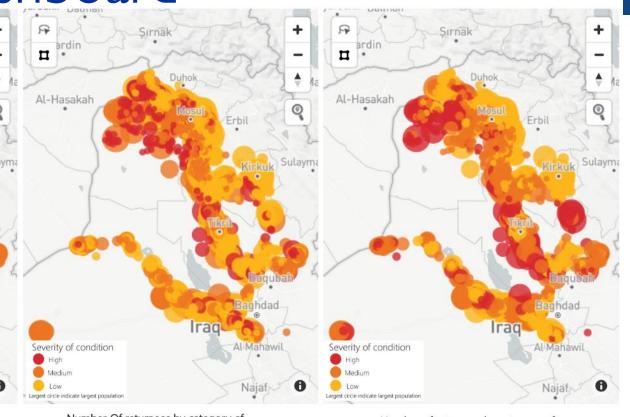
Governorate	A [High]	B [Medium]	C [Low]	Total
Anbar	88,560	517,386	697,404	1,303,350
Baghdad	4,194	36,564	48,246	89,004
Dahuk			780	780
Diyala	37,542	137,292	44,346	219,180
Erbil		6,510	34,782	41,292
Kirkuk	4,506	53,016	275,784	333,306
Ninewa	167,676	552,972	1,004,826	1,725,474
Salah al-Din	189,780	390,408	79,560	659,748
Total	492,258	1,694,148	2,185,728	4,372,134

Number Of returnees by category of severity for scale 1: Livelihoods and Basic Services

Governorate	A [High]	B [Medium]	C [Low]	Total
Anbar	73,620	291,336	938,394	1,303,350
Baghdad	21,468	16,872	50,664	89,004
Dahuk			780	780
Diyala	18,972	113,352	86,856	219,180
Erbil		6,510	34,782	41,292
Kirkuk	6,096	35,508	291,702	333,306
Ninewa	118,830	336,096	1,270,548	1,725,474
Salah al-Din	93,762	172,404	393,582	659,748
Total	332,748	972,078	3,067,308	4,372,134

Number of returnees by category of severity for scale 2: Safety and Social Cohesion

Governorate	A [High]	B [Medium]	C [Low]	Total
Anbar	82,434	467,628	753,288	1,303,350
Baghdad	1,344	10,344	77,316	89,004
Dahuk			780	780
Diyala	46,908	140,508	31,764	219,180
Erbil		3,486	37,806	41,292
Kirkuk	108	94,866	238,332	333,306
Ninewa	343,362	373,362	1,008,750	1,725,474
Salah al-Din	323,436	264,642	71,670	659,748
Total	797,592	1,354,836	2,219,706	4,372,134



Return Index in 2019



- We saw a steady increase in all categories throughout the year, mainly in the Medium severity category
- In all scales, alone or combined, the proportion of high severity locations remained consistent throughout the year: around 10-12% of locations hosting around 500 000 returnees were in the high severity category
- BUT when looking at the indicators, there is a clear pattern of improvement of Scale 1 and a worsening of Scale 2
- To end on a positive note: the improvement of scale 1 is more notable than the worsening of scale 2

