

# Displacement and Returns Update

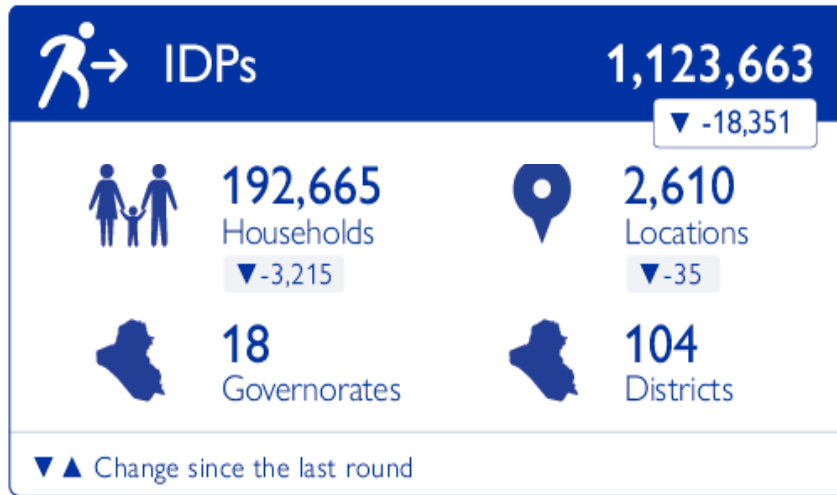
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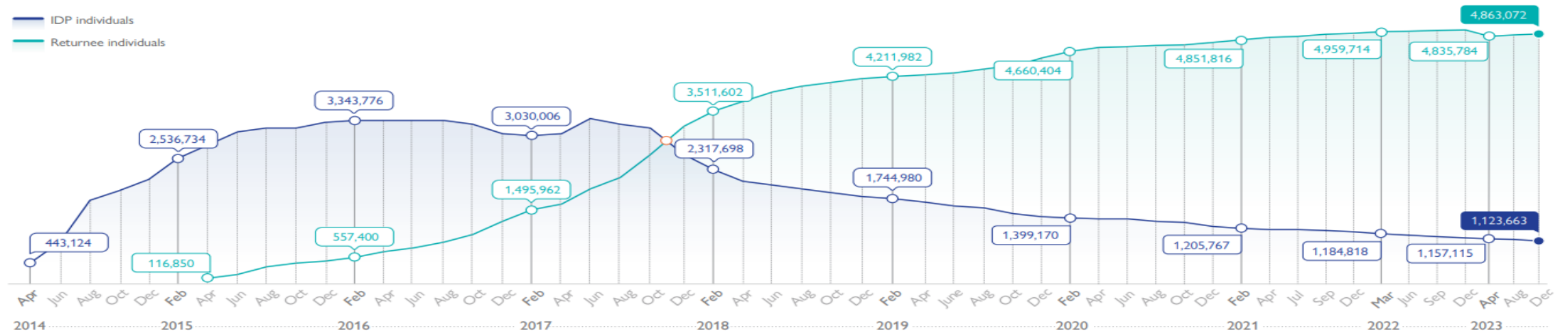
# Master List

# Displacement Overview



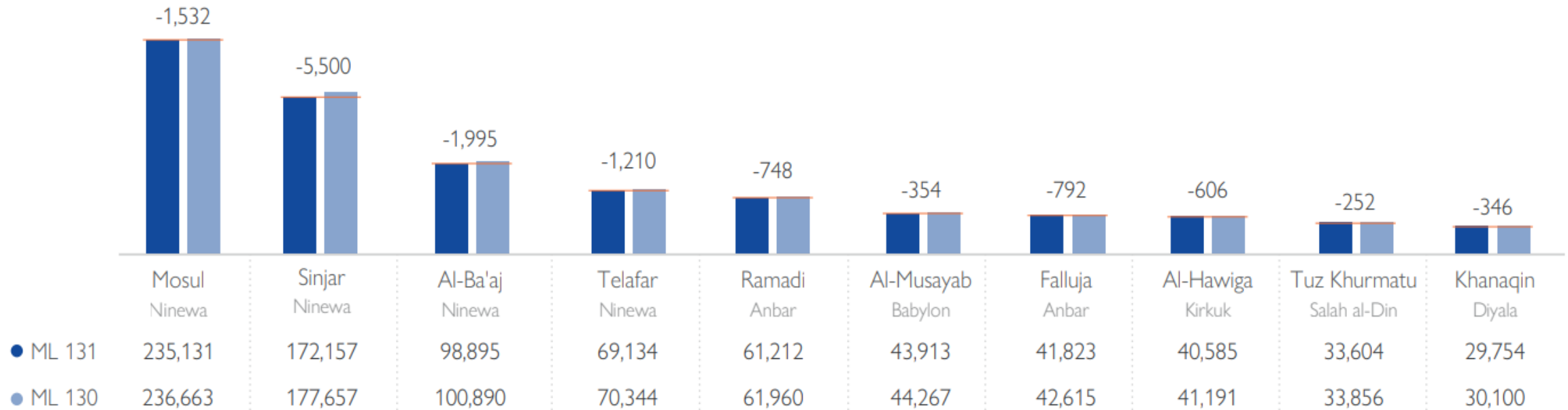
- DTM Iraq collects information on IDPs and returnees using a network of key informants across the country.
- A decrease of 18,351 individuals compared to the last round. This may be related to the large share living in protracted displacement (98%)

Figure 1: Number of IDPs and returnees over time



# Districts of origin

Number of IDPs by top 10 districts of origin



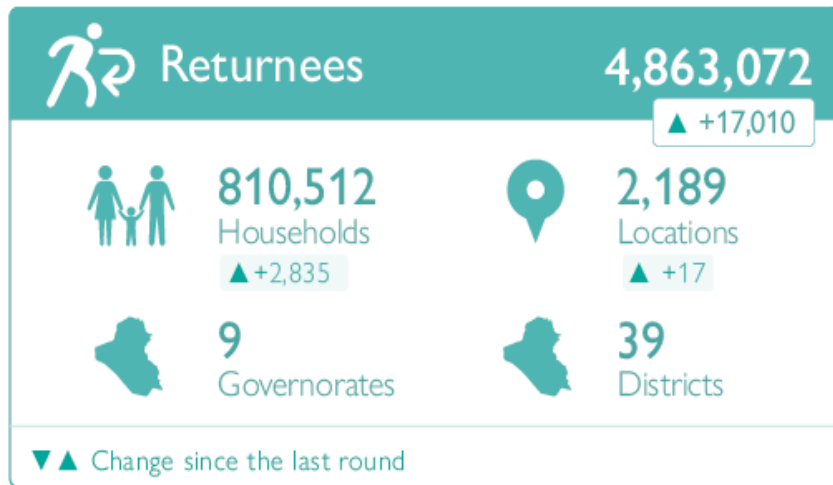
# Recent movements

- Despite the overall decrease in IDPs across the country, **6,394 new IDP movements** were observed during this Round.
- Most of these movements involve **IDPs pushed into secondary displacement (93%)**.
- **Failed returns** was primarily experienced by individuals who are from Sinjar, Falluja and Al-Ba'aj districts.
- **18 individuals** from Salah al Din, Anbar and Diyala were displaced for the first time to **Sulaymaniyah**.

Table 1: Top three districts recording recent movement

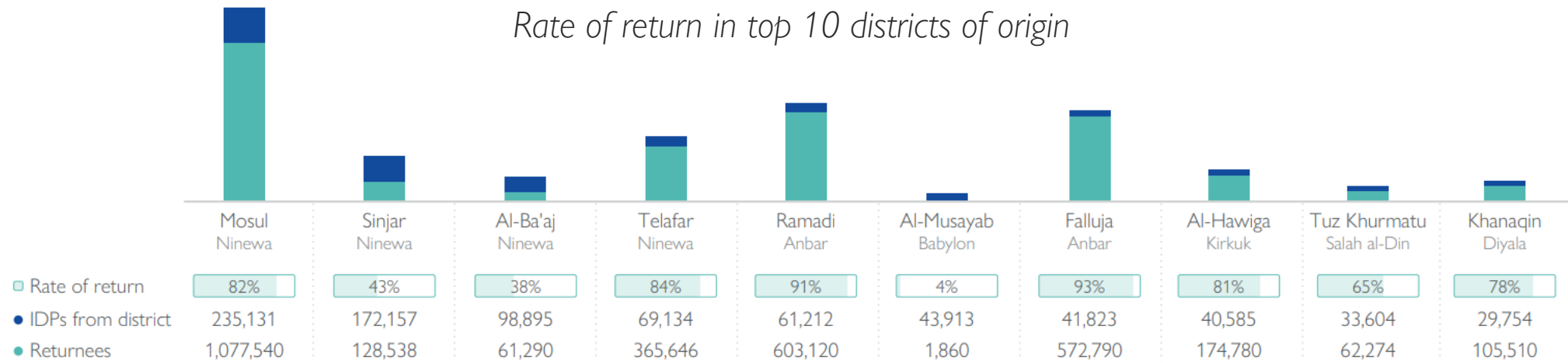
District, Governorate	Displaced for the first time	Secondary displacement	Failed returns
Sulaymaniyah, Sulaymaniyah	18	2,126	48
Dahuk, Zakho	0	744	97
Dahuk, Sumel	0	715	75

# Return Overview



- An increase compared to the last round, that could be explained by a **lack of livelihood opportunities** and **housing** in areas of origin, **better safety and security** in areas of displacement.

Rate of return in top 10 districts of origin



# Return Index

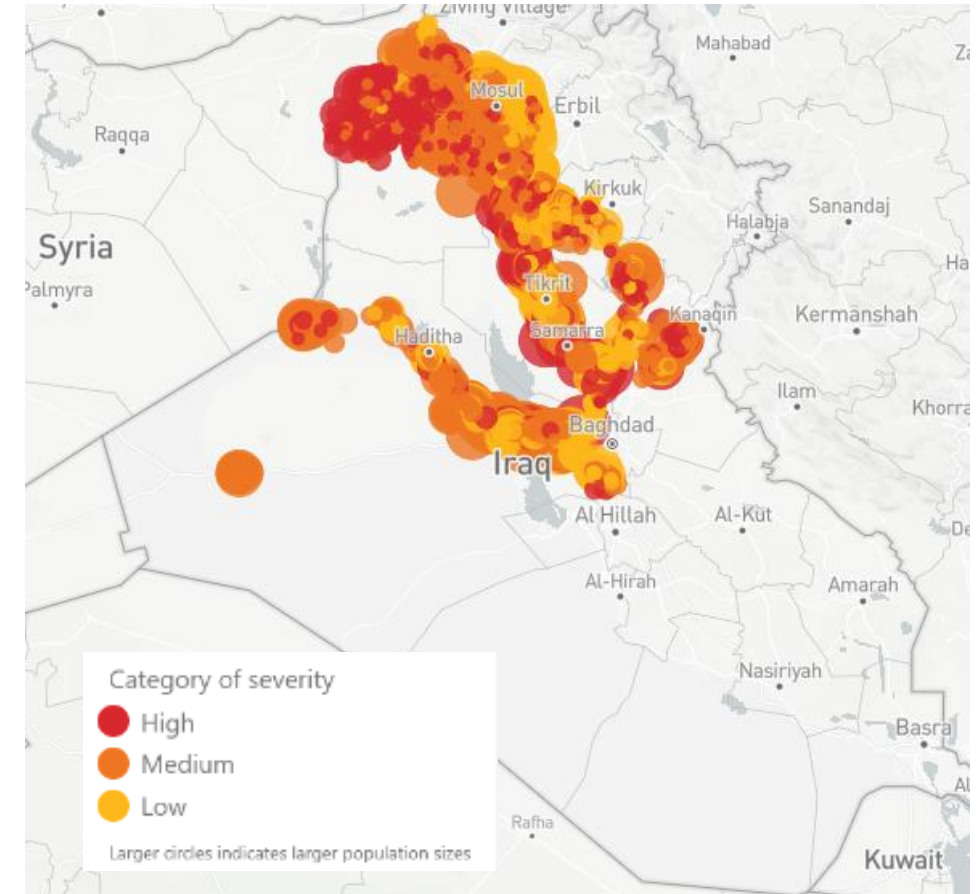
# Return Index Round 20 (September – December 2023)



Data Collection Period: **September–December 2023**

- The Return Index is a tool designed to measure the severity of conditions in locations of return.
- During this round, an additional 17 locations of return were assessed.

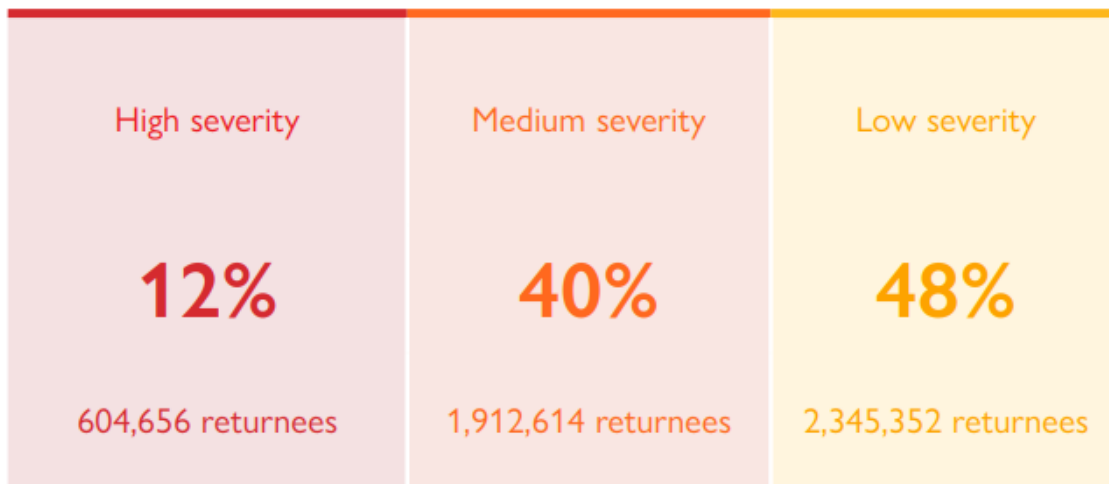
*Locations of severity*





# Recent movement trends

Figure 1. Proportion of returnees by category of severity



- Out of the 2,187 return locations assessed, **477 present severe conditions** and host **12 per cent** of the returnee population, or 604,656 individuals
- Increase of **4,176 returnees** living in severe or poor conditions observed since Round 19

Governorate	HIGH SEVERITY	
	No. of returnees	No. of locations
Salah al-Din	66,480	29
Ninewa	39,252	33
Diyala	4,662	10
Kirkuk	534	4
<b>Total</b>	<b>110,928</b>	<b>76</b>

# Improvement of conditions

## Diyala Governorate

*Al-Muqdadayah and Khanaqin districts*

- due to improvement in electricity and water supply (concerns still exist about violence and checkpoints being controlled by other security actors)

## Baghdad Governorate

*Tarmia District*

- due to the improvement in electricity and water supply, (yet the agriculture and businesses recovery is still slow)

## Kirkuk Governorate

*Al-Hawiga District*

- due to the reconstruction of some destroyed houses

# Deterioration of conditions

## Salah al-Din Governorate

### *Baiji District*

- The start of the new academic year and the poor living conditions in the displacement areas

## Ninewa Governorate

### *Al-Ba'aj District*

- Poor access to employment and government services, insufficient water supply in Al-Qahtaniya subdistrict and concerns about violence and checkpoints being controlled by other security actors in Markaz Al-Ba'aj

### *Al-Hamdaniya District*

- insufficient electricity supply, housing destruction and lack of employment opportunities

## Anbar Governorate

### *Heet District*

- return of individuals (mostly from Erbil and Jeddah camp) after having received security clearance

# Hotspots per governorate

**SALAH AL-DIN:** 490,344 returnees in hotspots

- Al-Amerli
- Al-Dujeel Center
- Al-Eshaqi
- Al-Moatassem
- Al-Siniya
- Markaz Al-Balad
- Markaz Al-Daur
- Markaz Al-Shirqat
- Markaz Baiji
- Markaz Samarra
- Suleiman Beg
- Yathreb

**NINEWA:** 617,658 returnees in hotspots

- Al-Qahtaniya
- Al-Qayara
- Al-Shamal
- Ayadiya
- Hamam al Aleel
- Markaz Al-Ba'aj
- Markaz Sinjar
- Markaz Telafar
- Qaeyrrawan
- Zummar

**ANBAR:** 400,884 returnees in hotspots

- Al-Amirya
- Al-Forat
- Al-Garma
- Husaibah Al-Sharqiah
- Markaz Al-Ka'im
- Markaz Heet

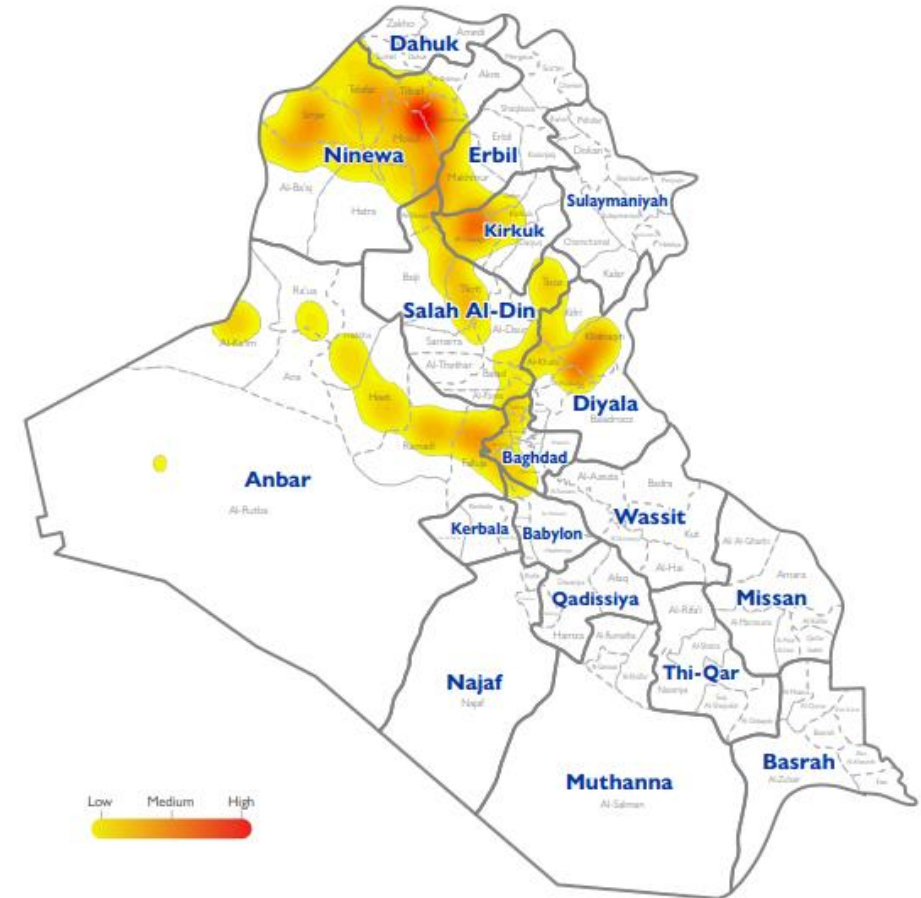
**DIYALA:** 83,784 returnees in hotspots

- Jalula
- Qara Tabe

**BABYLON:** 1,860 returnees in hotspots

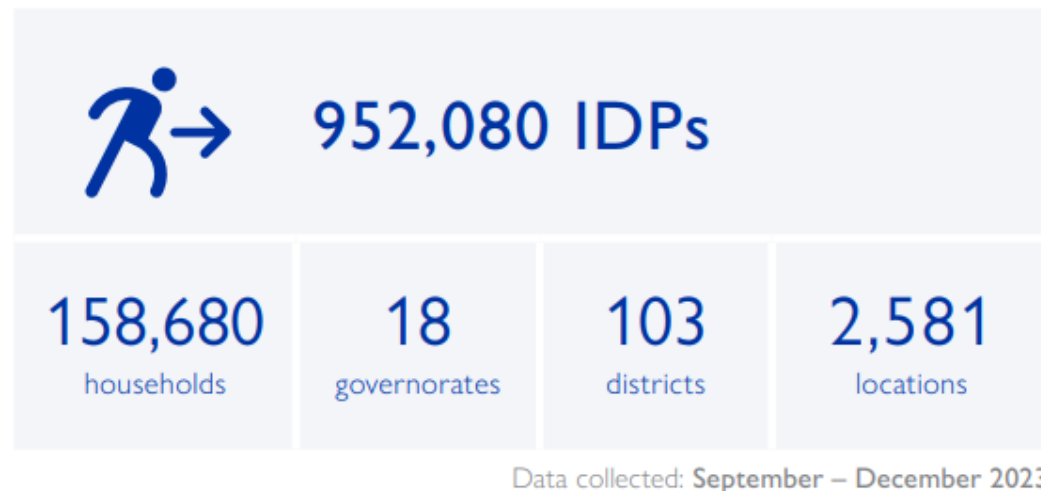
- Al-Iskandaria

Map 1. Returnee population density by overall severity score



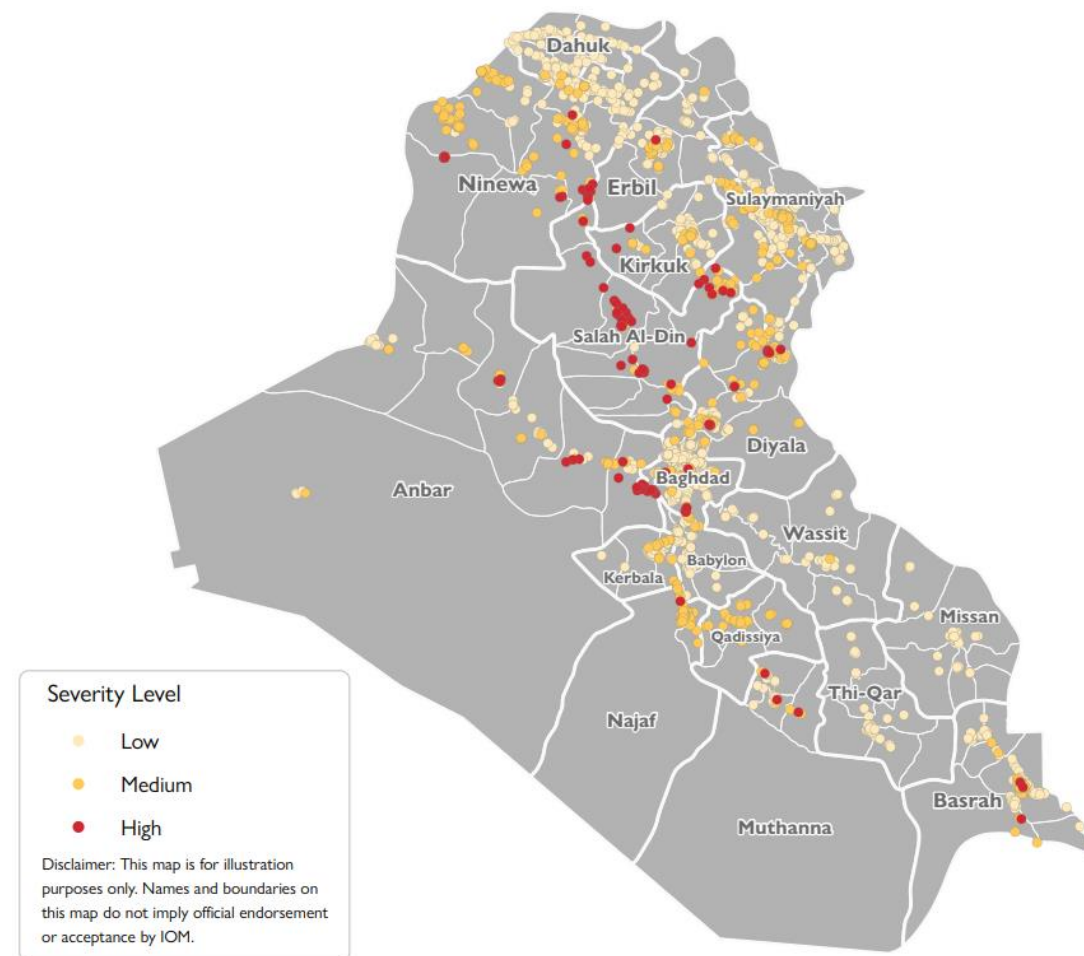
# Displacement Index

# Displacement Index Round 8



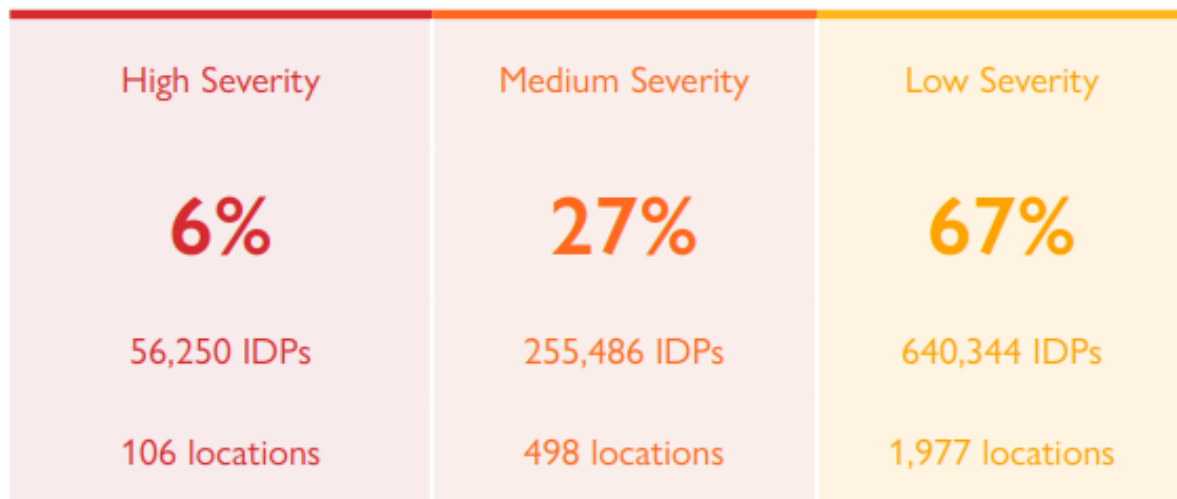
- The Displacement Index (DI) is a tool designed to measure and monitor the living conditions of IDPs.
- During this round, **33 fewer locations of displacement** were assessed compared to the previous round as IDPs either returned to their areas of origin or moved to another location of displacement.

*IDP locations by category of severity*



# Overall severity

Figure 1: Proportion of IDPs by category of severity



- Out of the 2,581 locations assessed in Round 8, **106 locations present severe conditions**. These locations host **6 per cent** of the IDP population, or 56,250 individuals.
- A **decrease of 7,962 IDPs** living in severe conditions has been observed since round 7, when 7 per cent of the IDP population were living in severe conditions.

Governorate	HIGH SEVERITY	
	No. of IDPs	No. of locations
Salah al-Din	25,458	56
Ninewa	30,462	39
Anbar	16,422	26
Baghdad	6,798	10
Najaf	6,132	36
<b>Total</b>	<b>85,272</b>	<b>167</b>

# Improvement of conditions

During this round 8 (September - December 2023) there was a decrease of 7,962 IDPs living in severe conditions. This was due to improved conditions in two governorates, where **locations comprising 4,866 IDPs in Salah Al-Din and 906 IDPs in Anbar were no longer classified as severe.**

## Salah al-Din Governorate

### *Tikrit district*

- the improvement of the water supply, thanks to extended hours of electricity supply to water projects, and the improvement of electrical current provision. In addition to the beginning of the new academic year and the incentive to renovate their houses

## Anbar governorate

### *Ramadi District*

- positive impact of IOM's Facilitated Voluntary Movement program, which aids in facilitating the return of IDPs to their areas of origin and some IDPs had completed the rehabilitation of homes in their areas of origin, further contributing to the increase in returns.



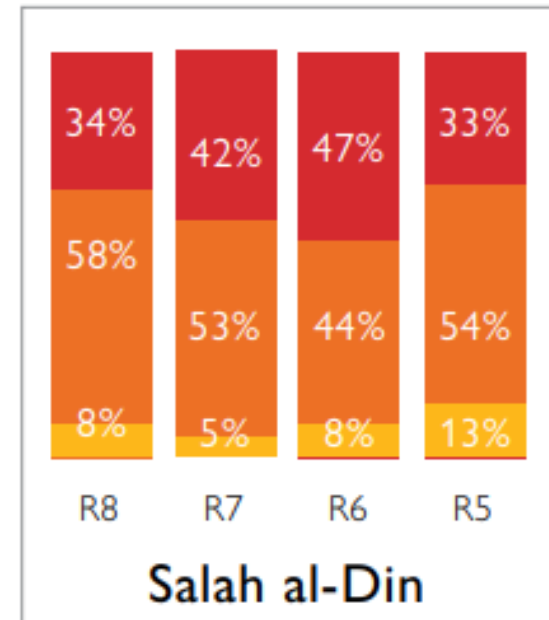
# Deterioration of conditions

## Salah al-Din Governorate

### *Tikrit district*

- while services have improved, the situation regarding livelihoods, housing, safety and other issues has remained unchanged from the previous round.
- some families, who reported being unable to afford rent and were reliant on aid, are opting to return to their original areas of origin.

Proportion of IDPs per category of severity by governorate of displacement per round

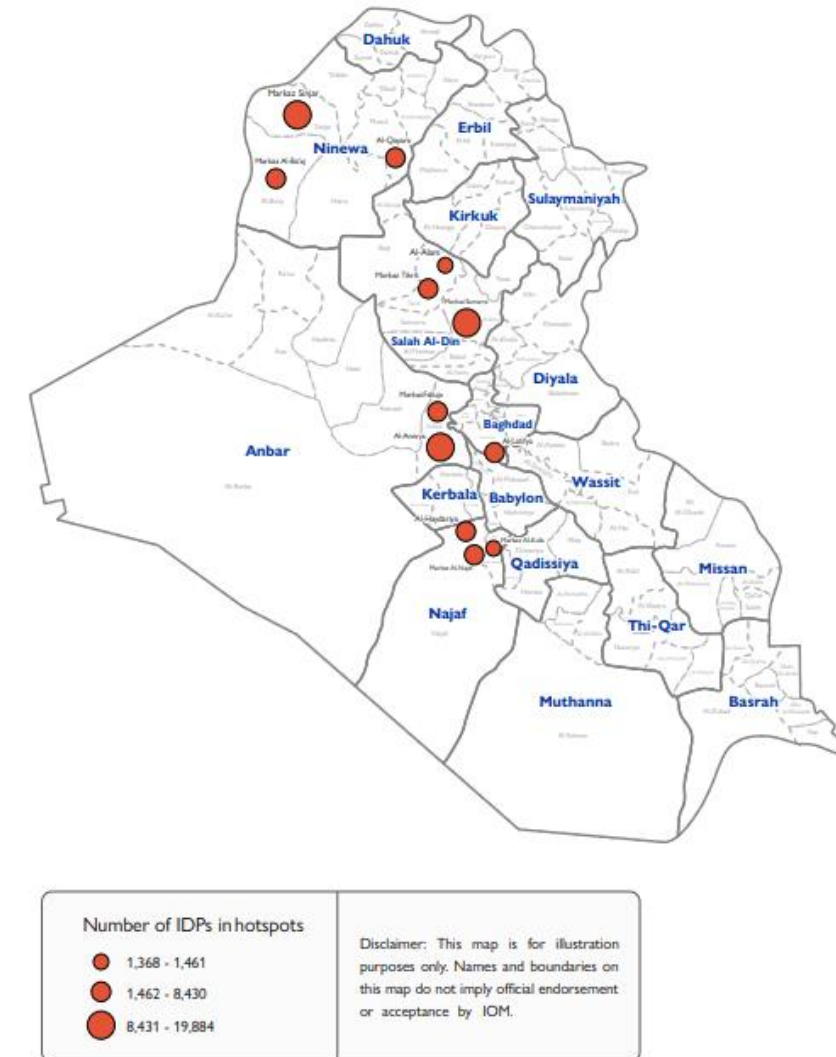


# Hotspots per governorate

Twelve hotspots were identified across five governorates. The top three hotspots based on the highest number of IDP residents are Markaz Sinjar in Ninewa, Markaz Samarra in Salah al-Din and Al-Amiryia in Anbar governorate. This round, Markaz Abu Ghraib in Baghdad was removed from the list of hotspots.

GOVERNORATE	DISTRICT	SUBDISTRICT	NO. OF LOCATIONS	NO. OF IDPS
Anbar	Falluja	Al-Amiryia	20	14,676
		Markaz Falluja	6	1,746
Baghdad	Mahmoudiya	Al-Latifya	10	6,798
		Markaz Baghdad	12	1,446
Najaf	Najaf	Al-Haydariya	7	2,052
		Markaz Al-Najaf	17	2,634
		Markaz Al-Kufa	12	1,446
Ninewa	Mosul	Markaz Al-Ba'aj	9	7,296
		Al-Qayara	14	3,282
		Markaz Sinjar	16	19,884
Salah al-Din	Samarra	Al-Alam	8	1,368
		Markaz Tikrit	23	8,430

Hotspots of severity



# Emergency Tracking: Camp closure

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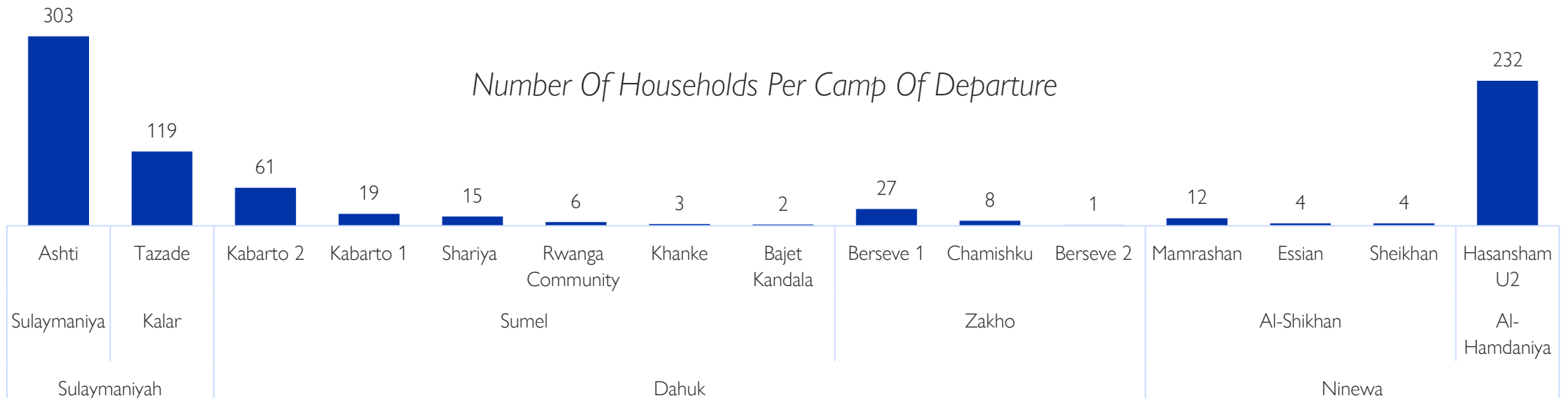
# Emergency Tracking Data: Camp Departures



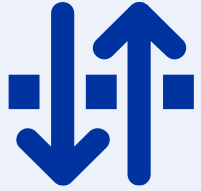
## Total Camp Departures

816 Households  
3,493 Individuals

- DTM recorded the departure of 816 households (3,493 individuals) from camps between the 1 and 25 of April 2024 following the recent closure of some camps.
- Most departures have taken place in Sulaymaniyah (422 households), Ninewa (252) and Dohuk (106) governorates.



# Emergency Tracking Data: Arrivals



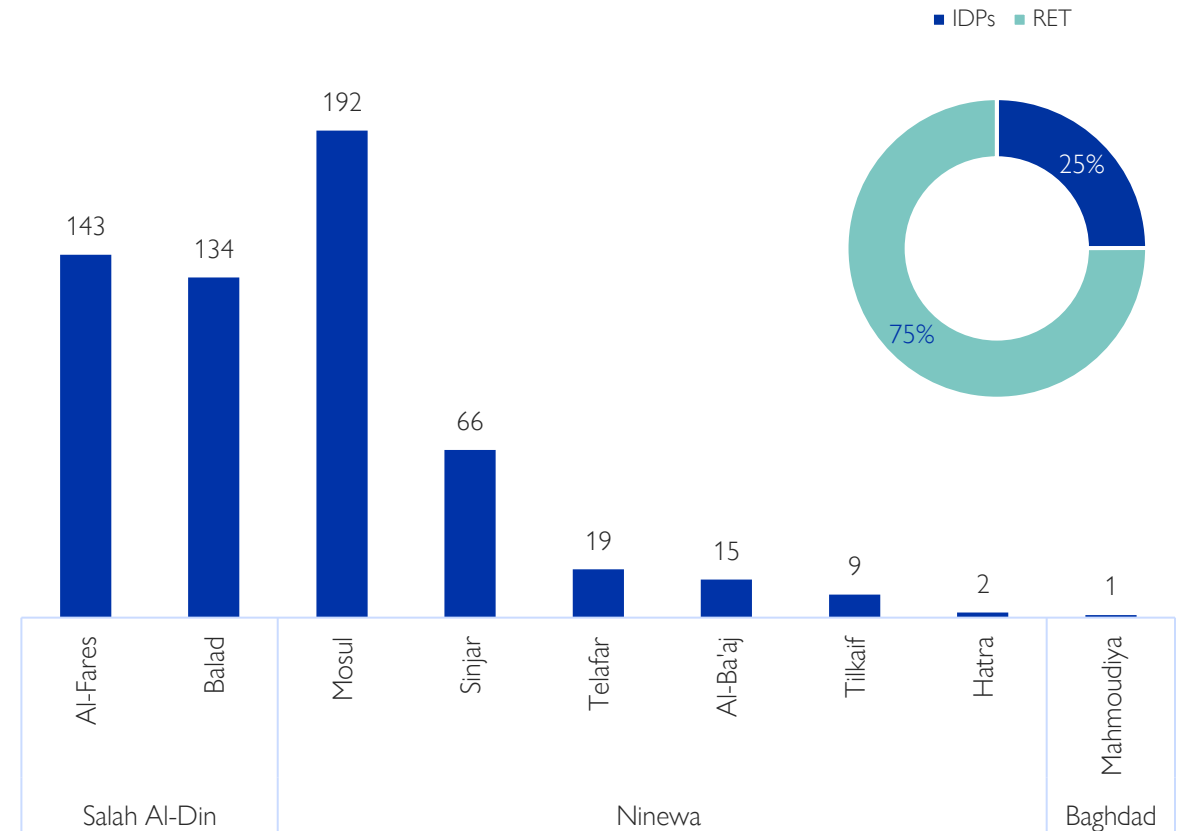
## Total Arrivals From Camps

581 Households

1,316 Individuals

- On the 25th of April 2024, DTM recorded the Arrival of **581 households from camps** mostly to **Ninewa Governorate** (303 households) and **Salah al-Din Governorate** ( 277 households) and 1 family arrived at **Baghdad Governorate**.
- Out of these 581 households, **75% have returned to the place where they used to reside** before the 2014-2017 crisis and **25% are still internally displaced persons (IDPs)**.

Number Of Household By District And Status Of Arrival





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