

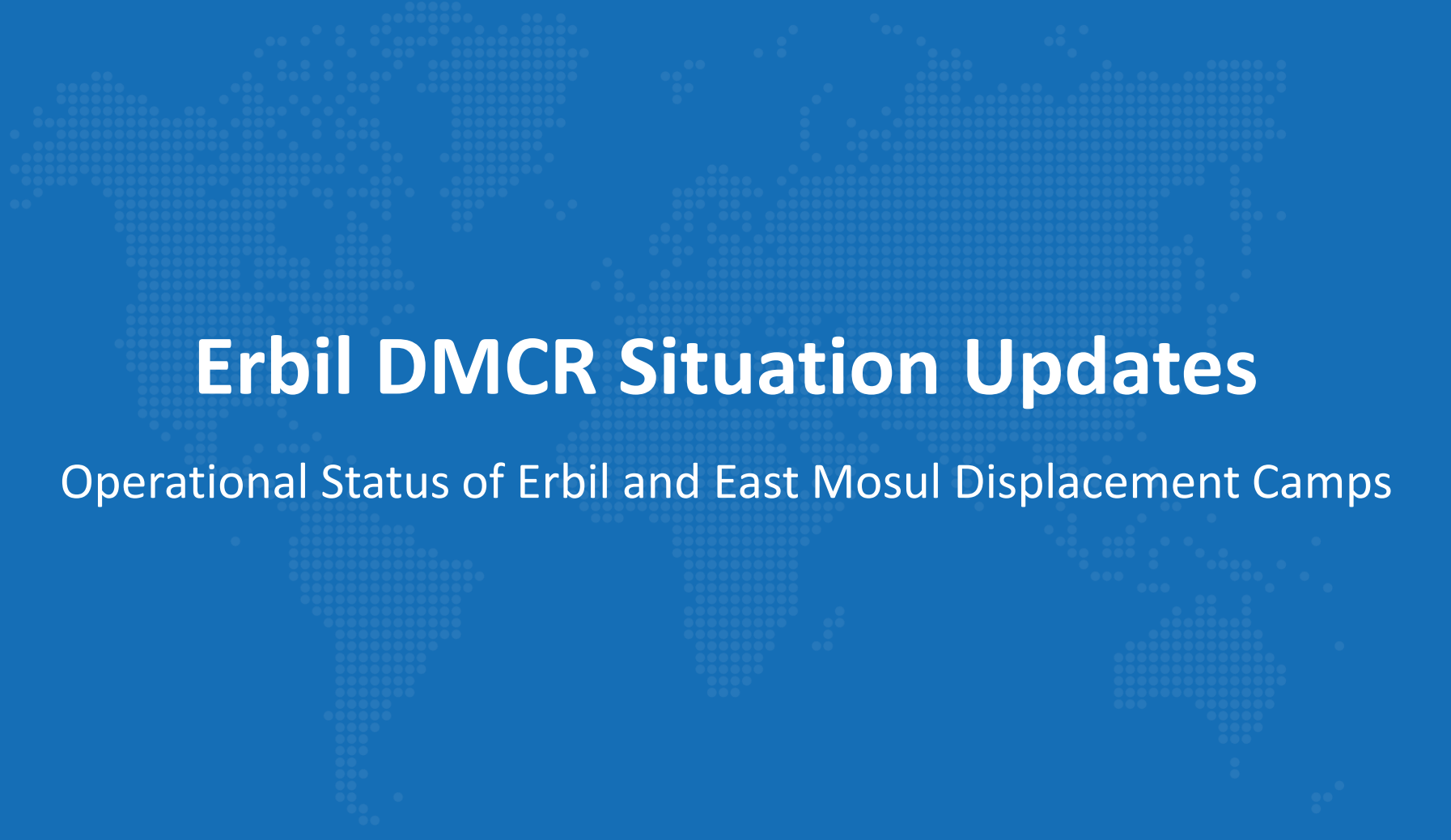
Returns Working Group

September 2026



Meeting Agenda

Time	Agenda Item	Description / Details
10:00 – 10:05	Opening & Minutes	Welcome, introductions, and adoption of previous minutes
10:05 – 10:20	EJCC Updates	Update on the Erbil and East Mosul camp situation
10:20 – 10:40	RWG Presentation	RWG Field Updates
10:40 – 10:55	WFP Presentation	Key findings from the Bzeibiz Assessment
10:55 – 11:05	IOM FVM Presentation	Facilitated Voluntary Movement programme updates
11:05 – 11:25	IOM Presentation	Reintegration monitoring findings: Sinjar
11:25 – 11:30	AOB & Closing	Activity Info reminder, Any Other Business, and closing remarks



Erbil DMCR Situation Updates

Operational Status of Erbil and East Mosul Displacement Camps

Ninewa Field Updates

August 2026

Hatra Technical Workshop

Addressing Barriers to Return and Reopening Villages Behind the Security Line

12–13 August 2026 | Baghdad

Hatra Return Barrier: Why Action Was Needed

The issue had moved beyond a local access problem and required coordinated government action.

Around 54 villages south of the security/defence line remained difficult or impossible to access, while displaced families continued to express interest in return.

ACCESS BARRIER

~54 villages

Villages behind the security line require safe access, security review and decisions on possible adjustments to the existing line.

DISPLACEMENT

Families remain away

Families remain in Hatra, Tal Abta and other parts of Ninewa. MoMD reported 594 families not recorded as returned.

MULTI-SECTOR NEEDS

Not only security

Return depends on more than security: ERW, roads, water, electricity, health, education, municipalities and administration.

Purpose of the process: bring community concerns, local authorities, security actors and federal decision-makers into one practical pathway for reopening and return.

~11,000

pre-ISIS families

1,935

families displaced 2014–17

1,158

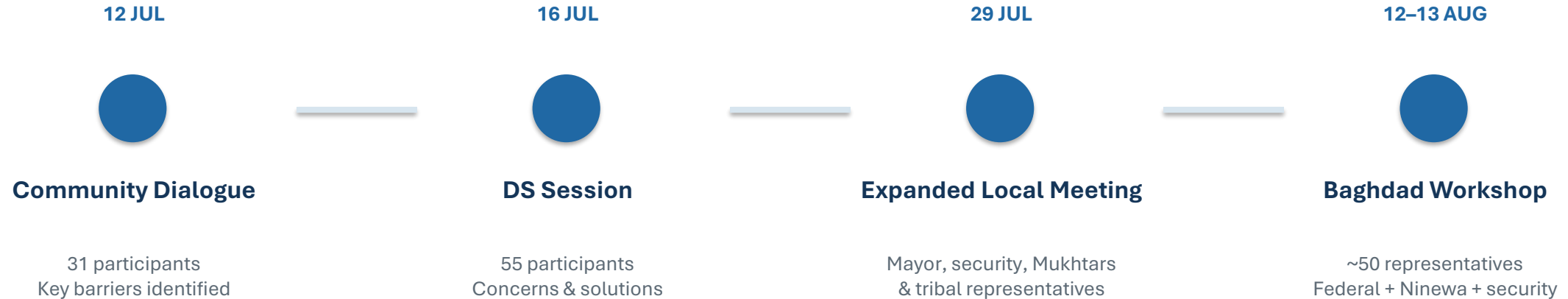
returned to area of origin

183

returned elsewhere

From Community Dialogue to the Baghdad Technical Workshop

A sequence of consultations built the evidence and brought the right actors together.



WORKSHOP LEADERSHIP

Day 1: DG Ali Jahangir, MoMD Branches
Day 2: Mr. Khaled Abdulkarim Al-Obaidi, Technical Deputy Governor of Ninewa

WHO WAS AT THE TABLE

Federal ministries and COMSEC • Ninewa Governorate and Hatra authorities • security/military actors • roads, municipalities, electricity, groundwater, health, education and mine-action expertise.

Workshop objective: move from repeated discussion and assessment toward a coordinated implementation process.

What the Workshop Agreed to Address

The return barrier was broken into practical workstreams, with clear sequencing for implementation.

01 Security & Access

Joint field/security assessment; safe access; review of the security line.

02 Basic Services

Water, groundwater, electricity, health and education requirements.

03 Roads & Connectivity

Hatra–Rawah and Hatra–Tal Abta road priorities and access implications.

04 ERW & Municipalities

Explosive-remnant risks, municipal access and prerequisites for reopening.

05 Planning & Governance

Federal/local responsibilities, mandate, sequencing and follow-up.

06 Community Readiness

Expected return numbers, willingness to return and village prioritization.

AGREED DIRECTION

Joint assessment → prioritization of villages → phased reopening → service interventions → return and follow-up

Outcome and Current Follow-Up

The priority is now to convert the workshop recommendations into a formal, field-level government process.

CRITICAL NEXT STEP

Proposed Diwani Order

The proposed order would:

- define responsibilities among concerned authorities
- provide a formal administrative mandate
- establish a clear timeframe
- strengthen accountability and follow-up

Expected value: turn the workshop outcomes into one coordinated government process, with potential relevance beyond Hatra, including Tal Abta and Baaj.

POST-WORKSHOP PROGRESS

8 Sep 2026

Security-level follow-up

Technical Deputy Governor met the Ninewa PMF Operations Commander on facilitating returns.

9 Sep 2026

IOM follow-up visit

IOM reviewed agreed actions and progress with Mr. Khaled.

9 Sep 2026

Official letter prepared

Mr. Khaled prepared a letter to MoMD requesting action toward issuance of the Diwani Order.

CURRENT STAGE

Formal mandate → joint field assessment → village prioritization → phased reopening → services → return

Centre South Field Update

July –August 2026

Return Updates – Diyala

#	Type of Return (MoMD, FVM, Individual)	Total (Households)	Area of Displacement	Area of Return	Date (Month)
1	Spontaneous	1	Khanaqin	Baaquba	July–Aug 2026
2	Spontaneous	4	Kirkuk	3 Baaquba, 1 Khalis	July–Aug 2026
3	Spontaneous	1	Sulaymaniyah	Muqdadiyah	July–Aug 2026
Total	6				

Return Updates – Salah al-Din

#	Type of Return (MoMD, FVM, Individual)	Total (Households)	Area of Displacement	Area of Return	Date (Month)
1	Voluntary	3	Sulaymaniyah	Yathrib	July–Aug 2026
2	Voluntary	15	Kirkuk, Tikrit	Tuz, Suleiman Beg, Amirli	July–Aug 2026
3	Voluntary	2	Erbil	Tikrit	July–Aug 2026
4	MoMD	1	Al-Amal Camp	Shirqat	July–Aug 2026
5	Voluntary	28	Sulaymaniyah, Baghdad	Ajeleyah, Shihabi, Canal 34	July–Aug 2026
6	Voluntary	6	Erbil & Tikrit	Baiji, Seneyah	July–Aug 2026
Total	55				

Return Updates – Anbar

#	Type of Return (MoMD, FVM, Individual)	Total (Households)	Area of Displacement	Area of Return	Date (Month)
1	MoMD	1	Al-Amal	Rawa	July–Aug 2026
2	MoMD	18	Al-Amal	Qaim	July–Aug 2026
3	MoMD	11	Al-Amal	Heet	July–Aug 2026
4	MoMD	13	Al-Amal	Rumana	July–Aug 2026
5	MoMD	4	Al-Amal	Al-Amiriyah	July–Aug 2026
6	MoMD	2	Al-Amal	Rutba	July–Aug 2026
7	MoMD	6	Al-Amal	Haditha	July–Aug 2026
Total	55				

Al-Baghdadi DS Discussion – June 2026

Key Recommendations:

- Simplify and decentralize compensation process while accelerating disbursement.
- Diversify livelihood interventions beyond livestock (value-added agriculture, renewable energy).
- Develop integrated agricultural development programmes combining technical support and value chains.
- Strengthen veterinary, agricultural, and extension services via local clinics.
- Establish a vocational training centre in Al-Baghdadi Subdistrict with equipment and materials.
- Advocate for rehabilitation and paving of the road connecting Al-Dulab to Al-Baghdadi centre.
- Establish an autism centre to support local children and families.
- Rehabilitation of Al-Misriyah drinking water project serving five villages.
- Design conflict-sensitive social cohesion programmes strengthening trust and community engagement.



Discussion session snapshot, Al-Baghdadi Subdistrict

Zour Albo-Hishma DS Discussion – June 2026

Key Recommendations:

- Follow up with Balad authorities to activate Yathrib vocational training center.
- Engage SAD deputy governor's office to support youth development programs.
- Refer private sector and job creation needs directly to RWG members.
- Meet Youth & Sport head to activate sports file and utilize local buildings.
- Coordinate inclusion of sewage and road projects in district strategic plans.
- Request SAD Health Directorate to increase medical staff at the health center.
- Consult technical deputy governor on restoring delivery and emergency ward operations.
- Request IOM operations team for a detailed potable water needs assessment.
- Coordinate with Human Rights Directorate to resolve tribal issues in Tal al-Dhaham.



Discussion session snapshot, Zour Albo-Hishma

Diyala Technical Workshop – Aug 2026

Key Recommendations:

- Strengthen government coordination to resolve compensation cases and secure return area funding.
- Continue advocacy for essential infrastructure and public services in return areas.
- Invest in jobs, vocational training, and small enterprises for vulnerable groups.
- Prioritize climate-resilient agriculture, water interventions, and renewable energy.
- Strengthen community mechanisms and social cohesion to address return barriers.
- Align international and national support with district priorities in Al-Muqdadiyah and Khanaqeen.



Discussion session snapshot, Diyala Technical Workshop



Bzeibiz Response: Coordination & Assessment Update

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Population & Context Update:

On 16 July 2026, DRC and WFP conducted a joint assessment; key findings are integrated into the response below. Total caseload identified is 1,364 households (7,737 individuals), with high vulnerability including 350 female-headed households, 60 elderly, and 85 PWD.

Key Assessment Findings:

- **Shelter & Heat (Life-Safety):** 2014-era tents are a major fire hazard (10 lost already) and offer no protection from extreme heat, making shelter replacement a critical life-saving intervention.
- **Food & Debt:** Food insecurity is acute; 70% of households are surviving on debt or selling personal belongings to eat.
- **Water & Electricity:** A linked service crisis where frequent power outages prevent water treatment, especially in Sectors 3 and 4.
- **Gender & Inclusion:** Divergent priorities—men prioritize infrastructure, while women prioritize food and water security.

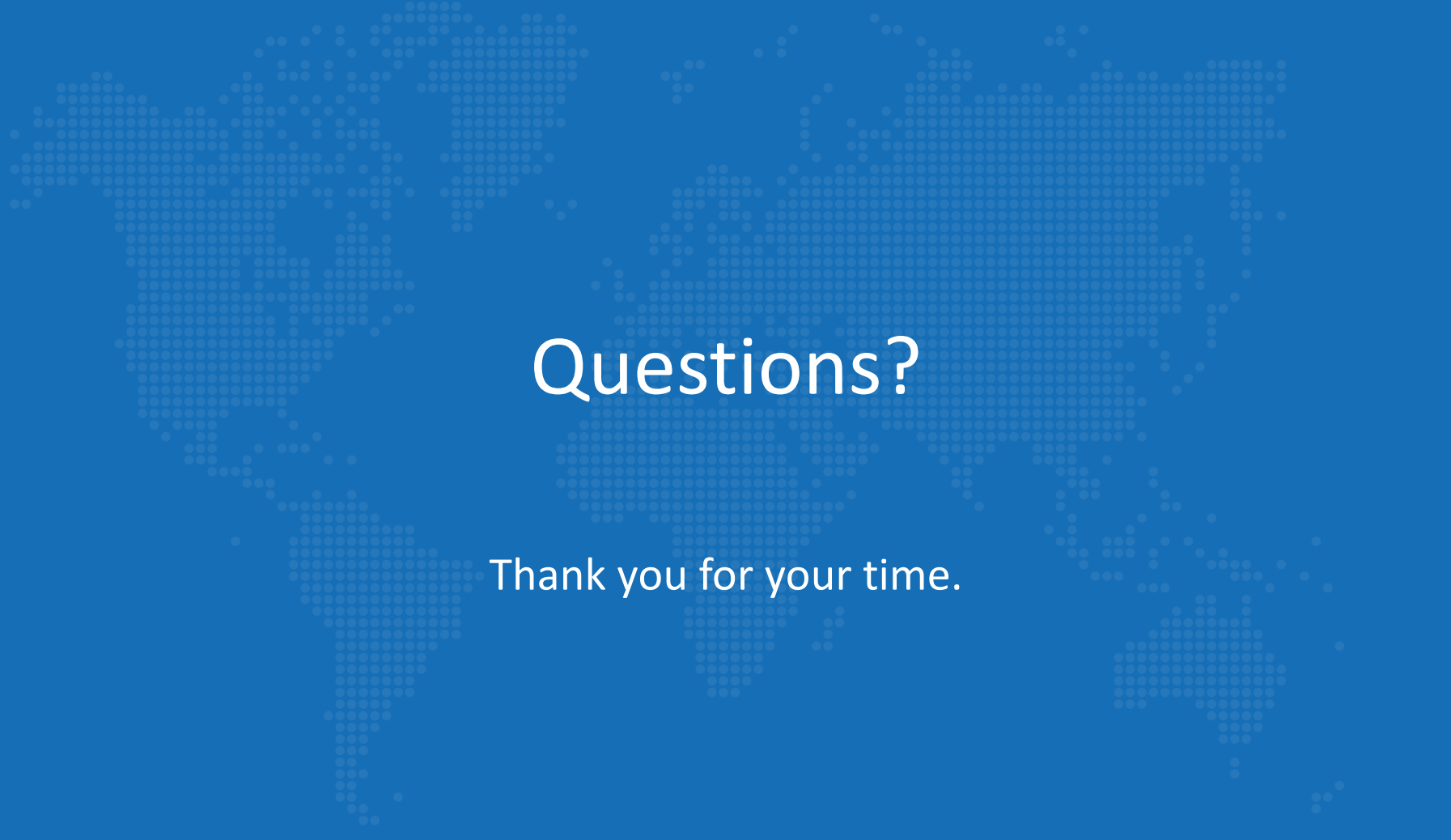
Coordinated Operational Response by Partners:

To prevent community tension, all partners are following a blanket approach:

- **IOM:** Providing 273 tents for families with destroyed shelters; coordinating 5-day transport window.
- **DRC:** Supporting 290 households with a one-off transfer of IQD 280,000.
- **WFP:** Supporting remaining 1,015 households with IQD 280,000 (*Note: WFP will provide further technical detail regarding registration & distribution in their upcoming presentation*).

Coordination & Way Forward:

- **De-duplication:** RWG is overseeing integration of IOM, Mercy Hands, and WFP data to ensure zero overlap between DRC and WFP caseloads.
- **Timeline:** Target implementation window: 20–23 September 2026 (subject to FSP/Security confirmation).
- **Messaging:** All partners are harmonizing community communications to ensure the "Blanket Approach" is clearly understood.



Questions?

Thank you for your time.



WFP Bzeibiz Informal Settlement Intervention

Assessment Findings and Emergency Cash Intervention

Emergency cash intervention

operational update and coordination

One-off

Cash-Based Assistance

IQD 280,000

Per House Hold

ECHO

Eviction Emergency Response Fund

Planned Timeline

13-17 September 2026

Status: approved



The response has moved from assessment to operational readiness

Final payment parameters depend on verified beneficiary data and budget reconciliation



Implementation

The fixed allocation will be distributed_ Blanket_ across the final registered, verified and deduplicated caseload.

Payment will proceed through the CBT Unit and contracted Financial Service Provider, using the modality confirmed by CBT.

The main operational decisions

DECISIONS REQUIRED

01

Verified caseload

Confirm registration, verification, eligibility and deduplication results

02

Transfer value

Confirm IQD 280,000 per HH (CWG Approval)

03

Implementation plan

Confirm payment modality, activation, capacity and distribution schedule

04

Accountability

Agree CWC, complaints channels, PDM, reconciliation and donor reporting.

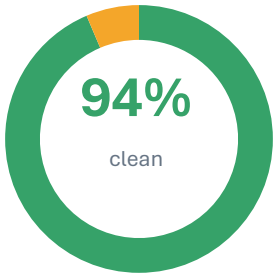
Bzeibiz Camp Registration

Cash Working Group Meeting for One-Off CBT Distribution in Bzeibiz Camp

1,327

households registered

DATA QUALITY



1,242

records with no issues

85

Records for review

6% of total caseload

REVIEW CASELOAD

● Second / third wife	60	4.5%
● Current MPCA / ECHO	24	1.8%
● Under-age HoHH	1	0.1%
● 4 HHs in one tent	1	0.1%

1 household appears in both spouse and MPCA/ECHO lists

HOUSEHOLD SIZE PROFILE

Clean records only = 1,242

4.7

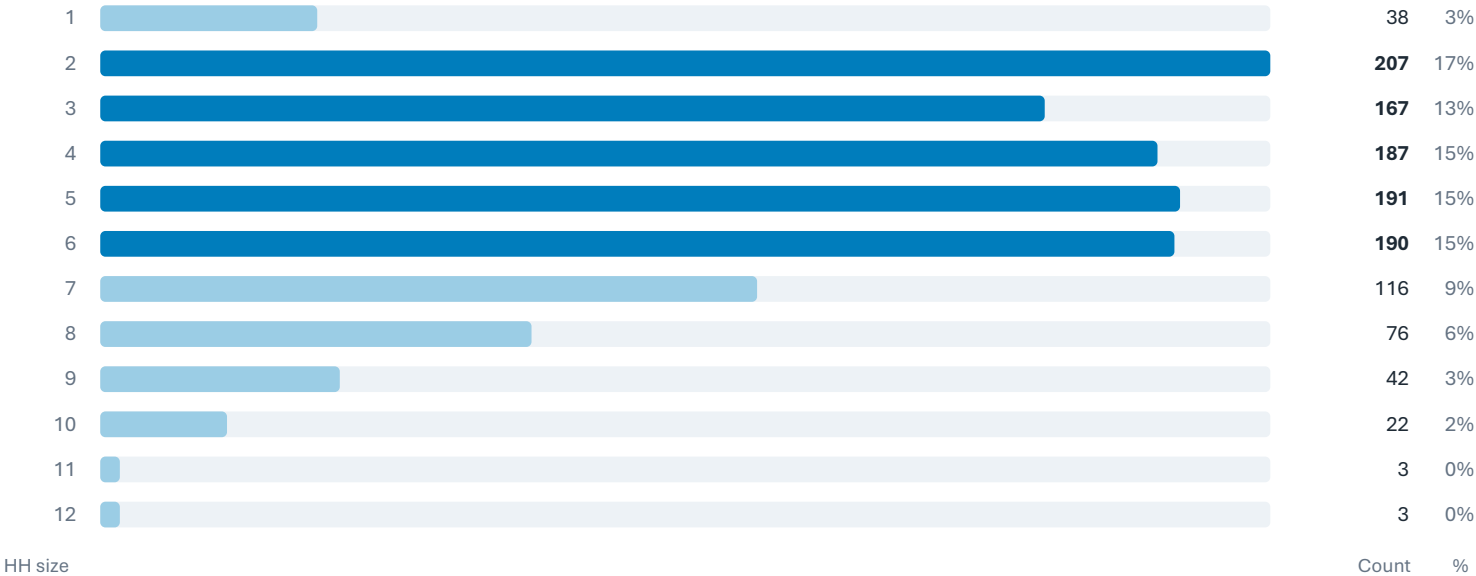
average HH size

5

median HH size

76%

have 2–6 members



● CWG Focus

Proceed with the 1,242 clean records; resolve 85 flagged households before final inclusion.

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IOM Facilitated Voluntary Movements Programme Updates

RWVG Meeting September 2026

Facilitated Voluntary Movements Updates

FVM updates

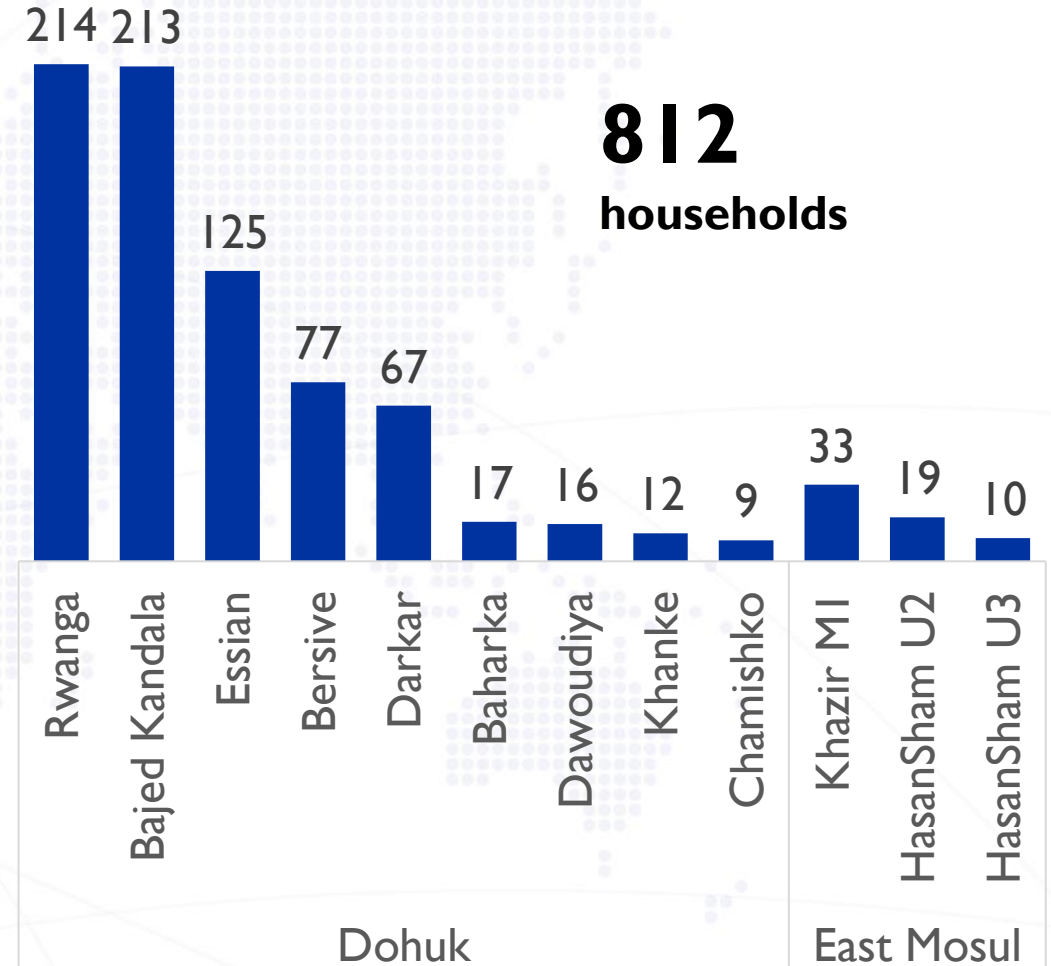
3 rounds of departures were facilitated from Duhok to Sinjar and Baaj.

173 households have returned or relocated through the FVM programme.

IOM will start sensitization and registration in Dohuk for additional rounds of departure.

11 households are expected to depart in September from EMCs.

IOM facilitated movements in 2026



Considerations for the FVM Implementation

In Dohuk:

- **Rumors and uncertainty surrounding camp consolidation:** Concerns about potential consequences have discouraged IDP households from registering for the FVM programme.
- **Fear of losing future government assistance:** Expectations of new compensation packages have led some households to postpone departure to preserve potential eligibility.
- **Limited housing support:** The absence of housing rehabilitation assistance within the programme package remains a significant barrier to participation.

East Mosul Camps:

- IOM is planning for the last facilitated voluntary movement (FVM) from East Mosul Camps to take place in September.

Thank you!

Reintegration Monitoring

Sinjar

RWG Meeting September 2026

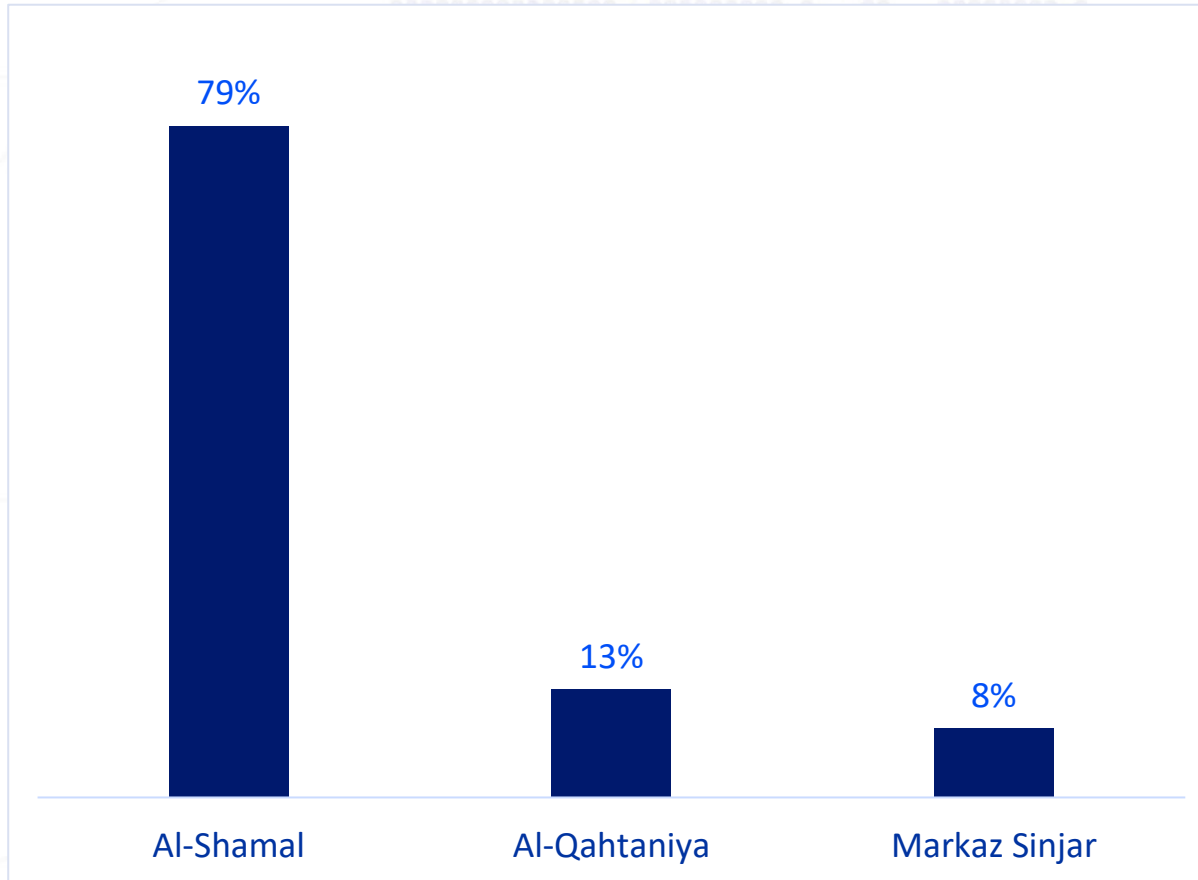
Introduction

IOM gathers data from FVM beneficiaries within one to three months and nine months after their arrival. Called Baseline and Endline follow-ups.

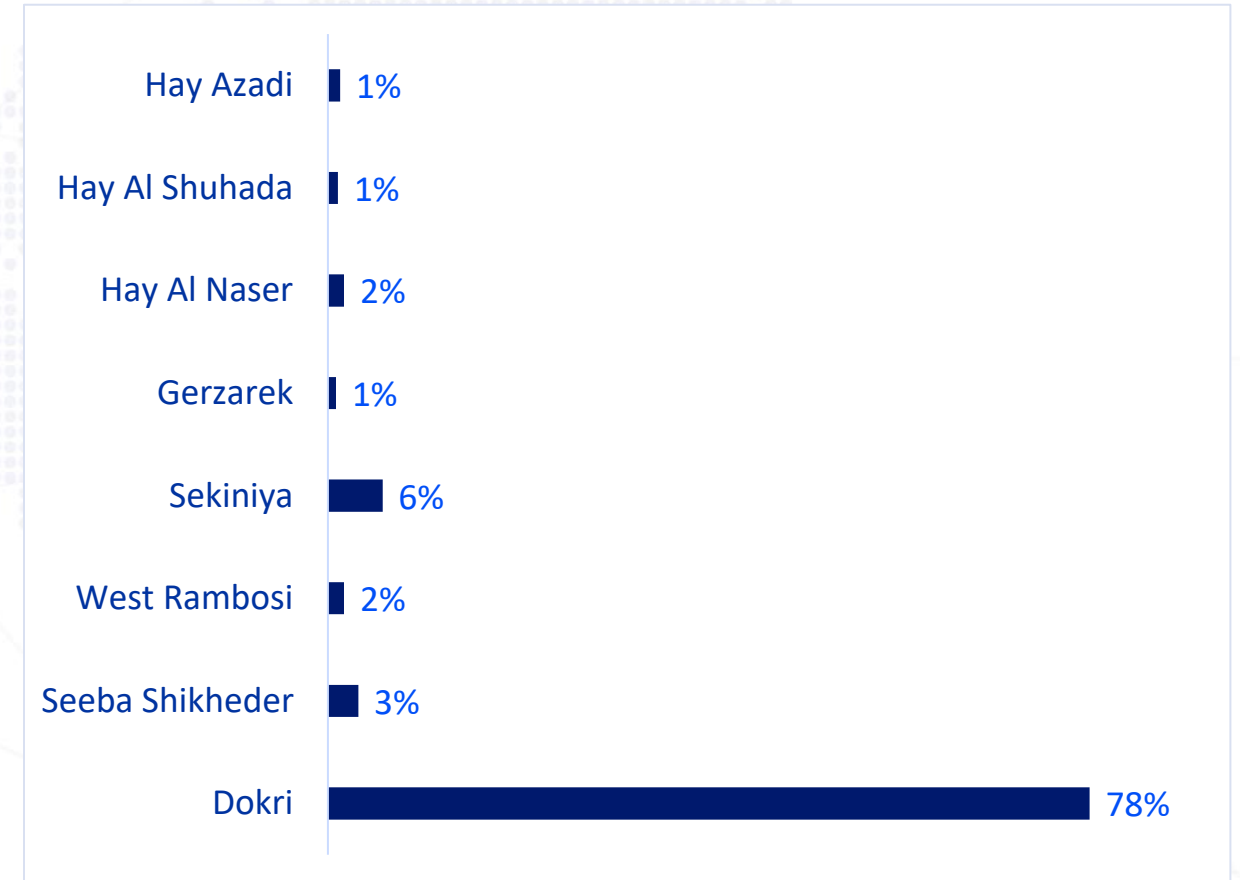
- In June 2026, **495 households departed camps in Duhok: Rwanga community (203), Bajet Kandala (196), Bersive (67), and Darkar (29) facilitated by IOM FVM programme.**
- In July and August 2026, IOM conducted **479 baseline in-person interviews** with these households.
- The majority of households arrived in Al-Shimal subdistrict (79%), followed by Al-Qahtaniya (13%) and Markaz Sinjar (8%).
- Findings are statistically representative, as all households that gave consent and departed the camps were interviewed for the reintegration monitoring.

Movement

Interviewed households by arrival location: Subdistrict

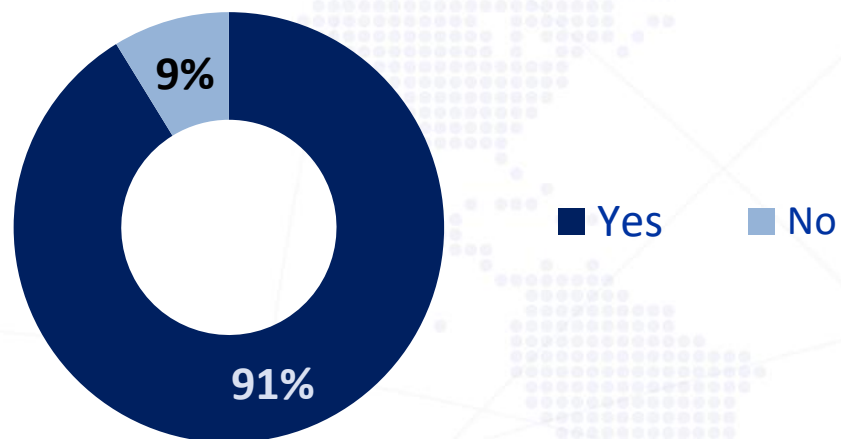


Interviewed households by arrival location: Community



Movement

Households reported whether their current living area is where they used to live before the conflict

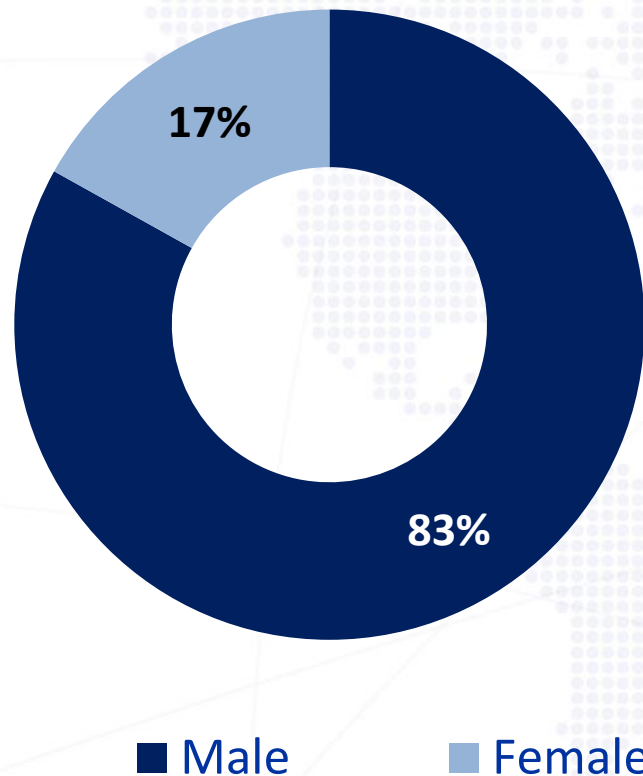


- Reported reason for not returning to areas where they used to live before the conflict were lack of housing (100%).
- All (100%) reported that they reside in an area where they wanted to live when they departed AoD
- All (100%) reported that they have received the IOM DS reintegration grant.



Demographics

Gender of head of household



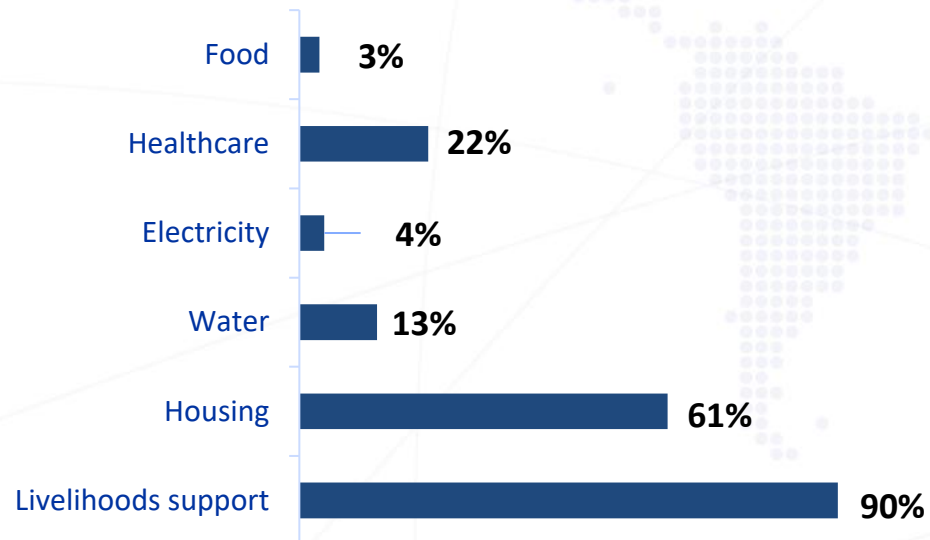
- Out of the 479 households interviewed, the majority (83%) were male headed households.
- Out of the 2,344 household members (1,195 male and 1,149 female), 34% were under the age of 18.
- 16% of heads of households reportedly were widowed/divorced/separated

PERCEPTIONS ON SAFETY AND SECURITY

- All (100%) of households reported they and their household members feel safe moving alone during the day in their community.
- All (100%) of households reportedly agree or strongly agree that their household members feel safe in the neighbourhood where they currently reside.

HOUSEHOLD NEEDS

Households' Outstanding Needs - Multiple Options

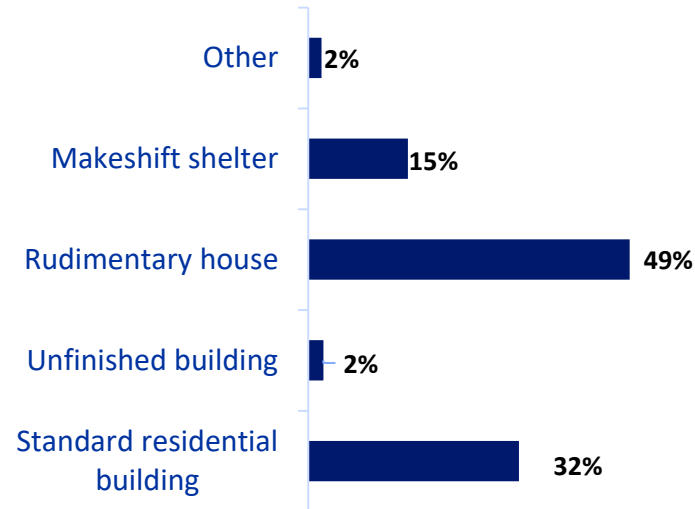


- The most reported outstanding needs by households were livelihoods, housing and healthcare.

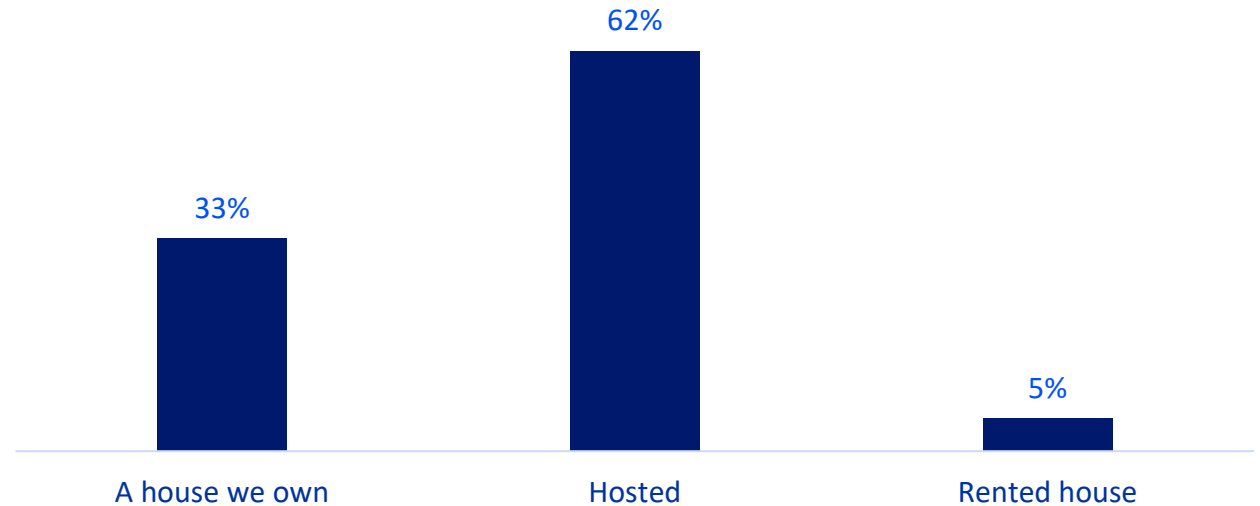
ADEQUATE STANDARD OF LIVING

HOUSING AND RENTING

Type of Current Housing



Ownership status of the current house

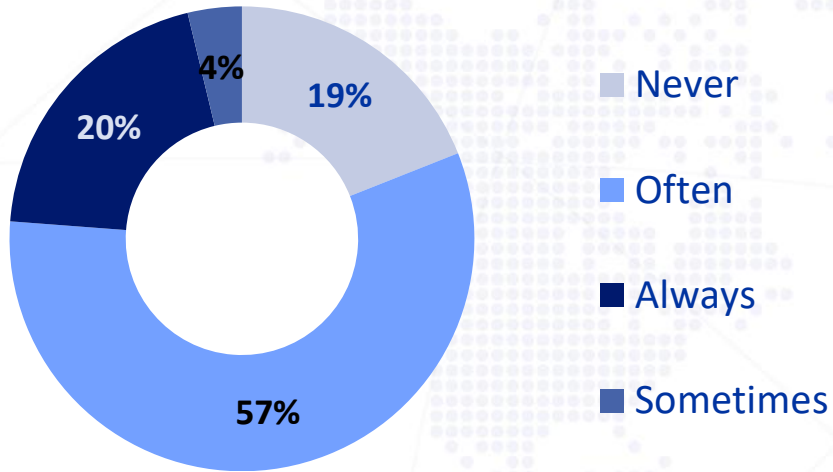


66% reported owning a house before displacement. Of those, **89%** had their houses damaged or destroyed.

38% reported that their current shelter is damaged, but they can live there, and **2%** reported that their shelter is damaged or destroyed and living in it is difficult or impossible.

WATER

Access to enough water



- Among those without access to enough water, 97% of households reported that they needed the water for drinking.
- 68% of households reported water trucking as their main source of water.

HEALTHCARE

28% of households reportedly had at least one household member with health issues in the three months preceding data collection. **13%** reported that they did not have access to healthcare. **40%** had access but not full treatment.

ELECTRICITY

100% reported their houses are officially connected to the public electrical network.

25% of households reported electricity is also obtained through other means (e.g. generators)

EDUCATION

53% of households reportedly had children of school age.

96% reported that all their children (of school age) attended school 3 days or more per week.

Of those households reporting that all or some of their **children did not attend school**, they perceived that **School is too expensive or had transportation barriers**.

DOCUMENTATION

3% of households reportedly had at least one member of their household lack some of the civil documentation.

The most reported missed civil documents were the **National unified ID (6 HHs) and PDS (4 HHs)**.

ACCESS TO LIVELIHOODS

55% did not have a regular monthly income in the last three months.

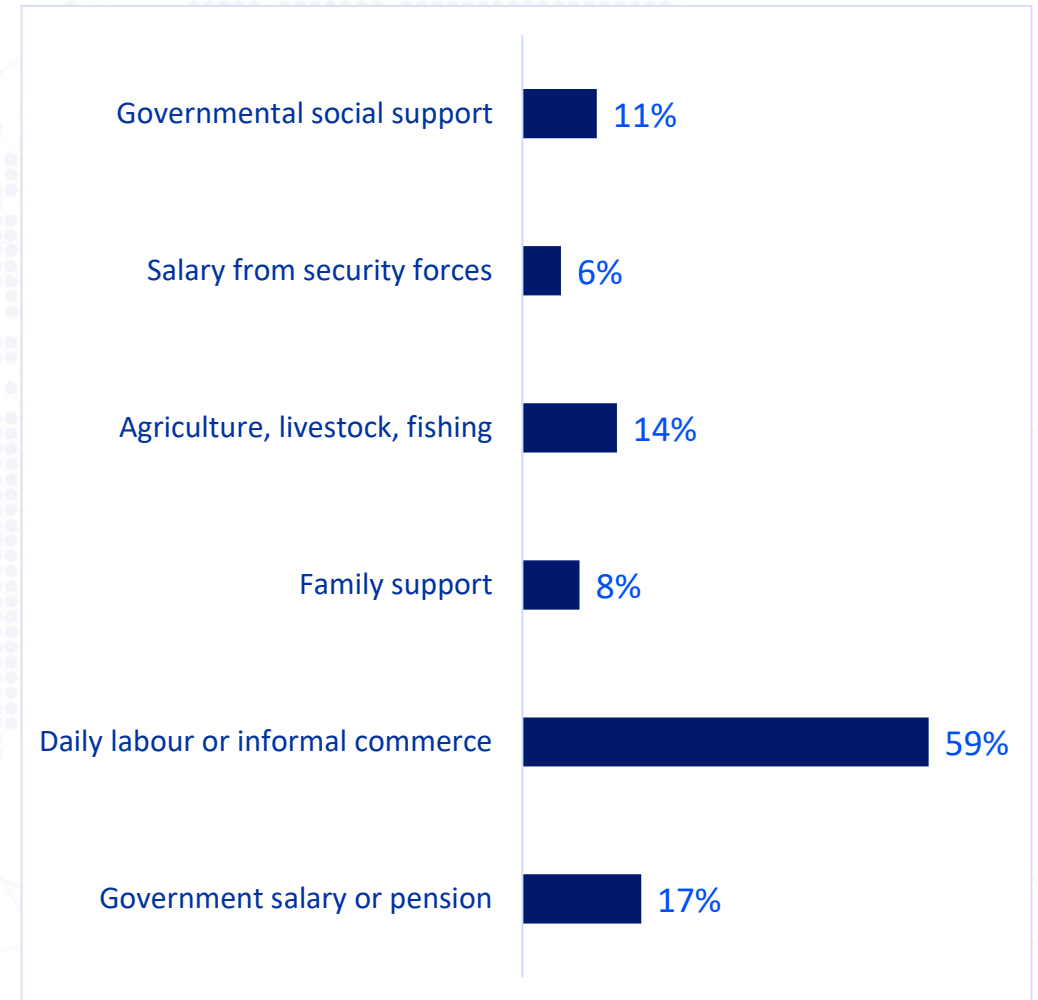
55% did not have household members who are currently working.

2% did not have enough financial means to buy food.

39% have debts

Average income: 500,000 IQD

Sources of income - Multiple Options



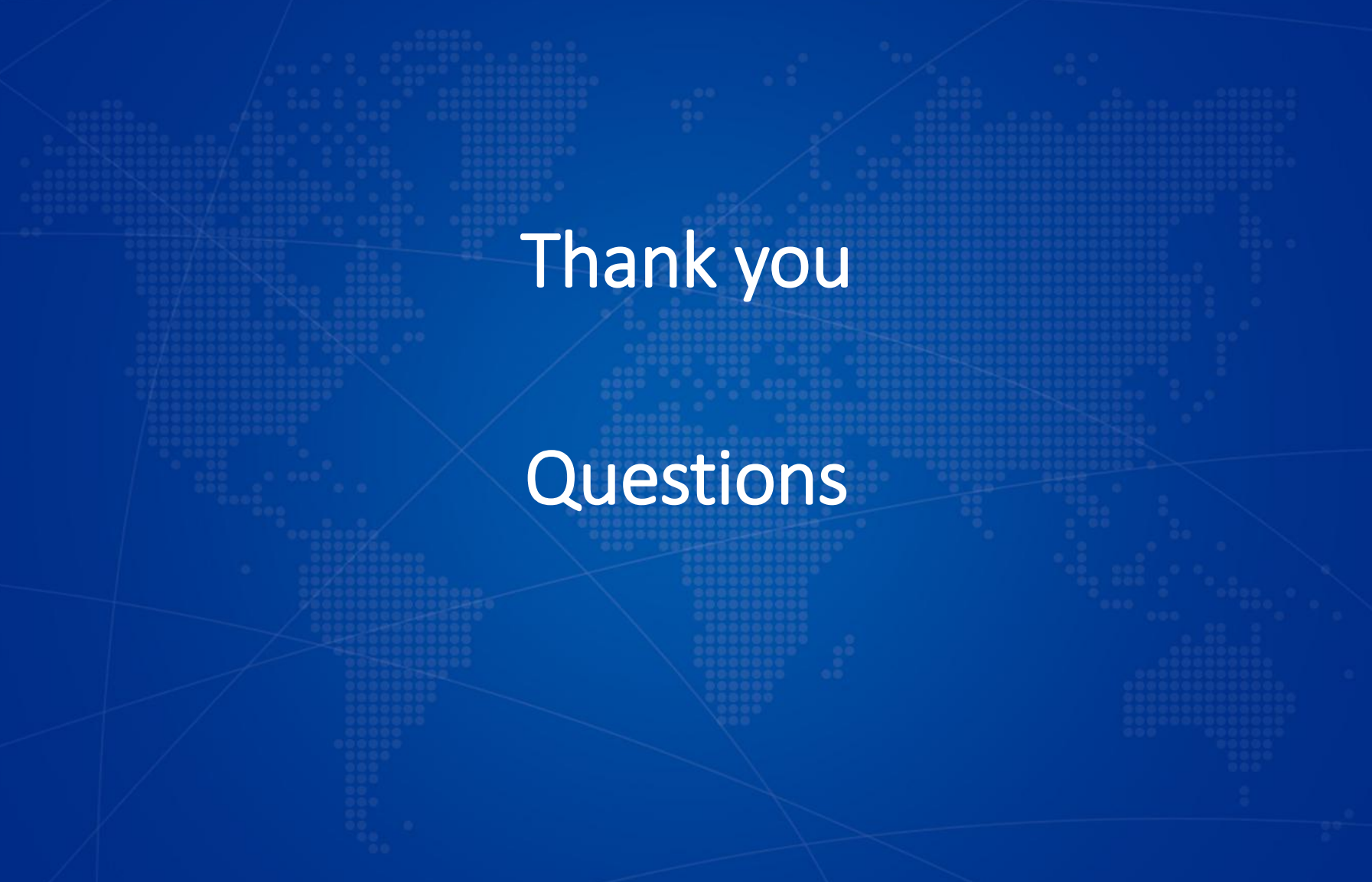
COMMUNITY ACCEPTANCE AND SOCIAL COHESION

99% reported feeling completely or very accepted by the community.

98% reported complete or a lot of trust in the community members and tribes in AoR.

100% reported the presence of someone who can help the household when having financial or non-financial issues.

100% reported they feel they are at home.

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Thank you

Questions

Monitoring and Analysis Sub-Group

- **Submit Q2 2026 Data:** Access the platform to report your activities for the April–June period [via this link](#).
- **Catch up on Q1 2026:** If you have not yet submitted data for January–March, the window remains open. Please ensure that data for each quarter is submitted separately by selecting the corresponding period in the platform.
- **View the Live Dashboard:** We are pleased to remind you that the Durable Solutions Dashboard is live on the DS website. You can view the geographic distribution and progress of interventions [here](#).
- **Request a Focal Point Code:** If your organization does not yet have a unique reporting code, please [submit a request via this link](#).

Iraq Durable Solutions



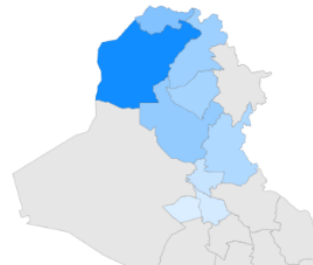
Highlights



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Activities Implemented by Governorate and Strategic Objective



Iraq Durable solution activityInfo platform: The Monitoring Framework provides a standardised approach for collecting and reporting data on durable solutions for displacement-affected populations in Iraq. Through a unified reporting platform and dashboard, partners can track progress against the Iraq Durable Solutions Strategy, identify gaps, and support coordinated, evidence-based decision-making. The dashboard enables transparent data sharing and visualisation for CSOs, NGOs, UN agencies, and other stakeholders, strengthening collaboration and accountability to advance sustainable outcomes for IDPs in Iraq



Durable solutions coordination mechanisms in Iraq

In support of government efforts to resolve internal displacement in Iraq, the international community established a durable solutions coordination architecture, under the leadership of the United Nations Deputy Special Representative of the Secretary General / Resident Coordinator / Humanitarian Coordinator (DSRSG / RC / HC). The new coordination architecture aims to bridge the humanitarian-development-peace nexus, bring together United Nations agencies, non-governmental organisations and other actors specialising in humanitarian, development, stabilisation, and peace-building programming, and support the Government of Iraq to implement its national durable solutions plan.

Iraq Durable Solutions

Dashboards

Return Index Return Overview ABC - Partners Activity Iraq Durable Solutions ActivityInfo platform

DATA FOR SOLUTIONS TO INTERNAL DISPLACEMENT - DSTWG

Monitoring and Reporting for Durable Solutions in Iraq

Standardized Indicators and Reporting Procedures for the Monitoring Framework and ActivityInfo Platform

Data shown Q2, Q3, Q4, 2023

Monitoring & Analysis Sub-Group

Durable Solutions Technical Working Group

Overview

Government leadership

Housing and HLP

Livelihoods

Basic Services

Social Cohesion

Safety and Security

Facilitated Movements

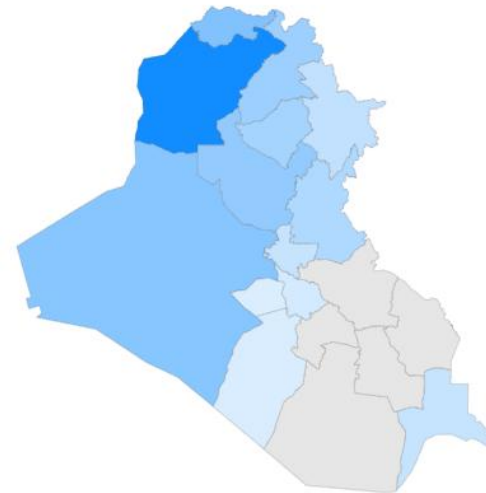
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Scope and Applicability

This platform is applicable to all organisations - including CSOs, NGOs, UN agencies, and other partners - implementing activities that contribute to durable solutions in Iraq. It covers interventions under the DSTWG strategic objectives, including housing, livelihoods, documentation, basic services, social cohesion,

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Thank you!
Any Questions?