

DISPLACEMENT TRACKING MATRIX

RETURNS DASHBOARD

MARCH 2018



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TOTAL N. OF RETURNEES



3,635,598

RETURNEES ACROSS IRAQ

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123,996

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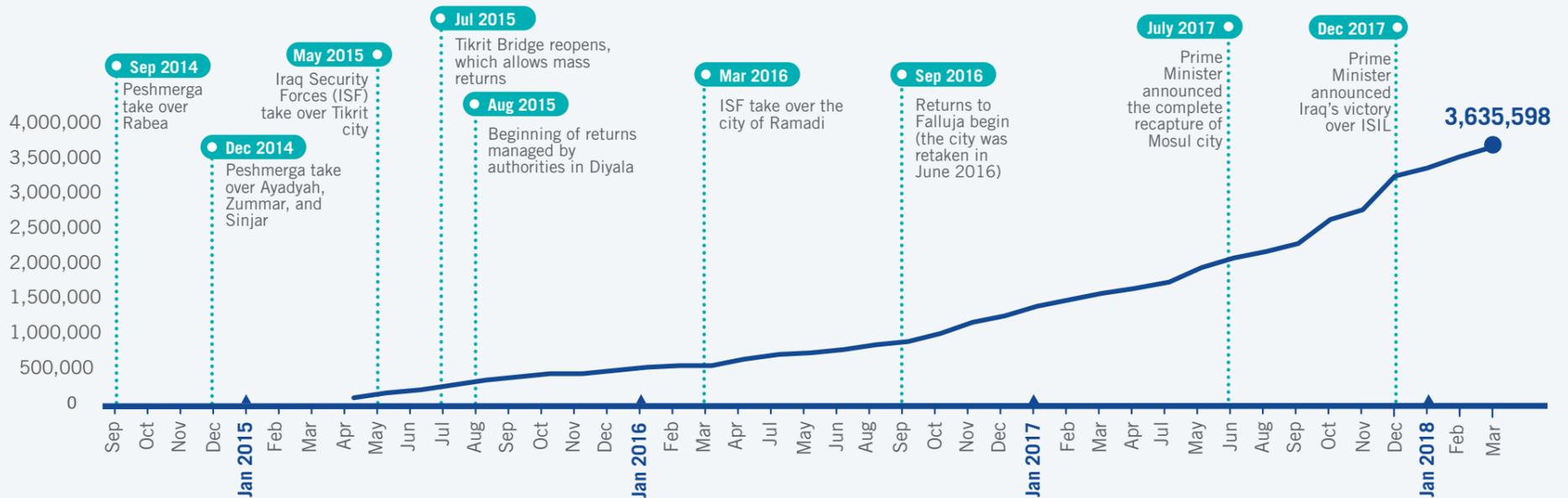
RETURNEE POPULATION INCREASE

+4%

COMPARED TO LAST MONTH

RETURNS OVER TIME

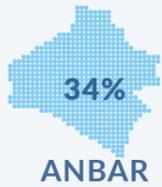
Returns have been sustained since July 2016, when the campaign against ISIL intensified, with the periods October–November 2016 (aftermath of the offensive to retake the Anbar districts of Ramadi, Heet and Fallujah as well as eastern districts of Ninewa), May–June 2017 (Mosul operations) and September–December 2017 (last advance of the retaking campaign) witnessing the highest numbers of returns.



THREE TOP GOVERNORATES OF RETURN



The largest returnee population is located in Ninewa with a total number of 1,279,740 individuals (35%). Ninewa's returnee population is mainly concentrated in Mosul district (22% or 785,358 individuals), Telafar (6% or 233,928) and Al-Hamdaniya (3% or 118,416).



The second governorate of return is Anbar, with a total returnee population of 1,235,514 individuals, that is, 34% of all returnees, almost all concentrated in the districts of Fallujah (14% or 519,912 individuals), Ramadi (13% or 457,494) and Heet (5% or 179,778).



The governorate hosting the third largest returnee population is Salah al-Din, with 14% (511,386 individuals), primarily concentrated in the districts of Tikrit (5% or 171,336) and Al-Shirqat (3% or 105,060).

% of the total returnee population across Iraq

GOVERNORATES WITH HIGHEST INCREASE IN RETURNS IN MARCH



Ninewa Governorate alone accounts for 86% (107,292) of the newly identified returnees, of who 77,166 went back to Mosul district during the reporting period. This increase is due to the joint validation exercise DTM and local authorities conducted in east and west Mosul to confirm returnee numbers.



In Salah al-Din, where a total of 4,530 new returnees were identified across the governorate, many headed back to the retaken districts Al-Shirqat (3,114 individuals) and Baiji (642).



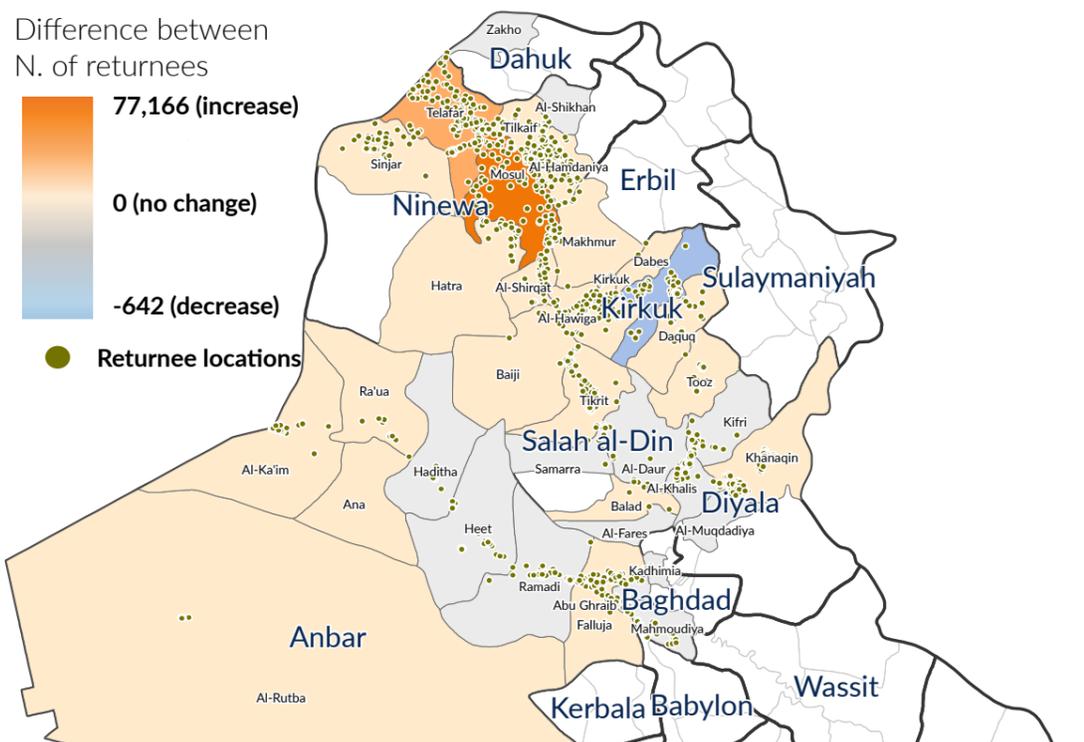
In Anbar, most of the governorate's 7,146 returnees identified during March 2018 are in the retaken districts of west Anbar. DTM Emergency Tracking indicates that approximately 33,000 of those displaced during last year's offensive against ISIL in west Anbar have returned, but about 45,000 remain displaced.

% increase in returns during the reporting period

RETURNEES BY GOVERNORATE OF RETURN

Governorate	Previous Round	Current Round	Difference	Percentage
Anbar	1,228,368	1,235,514	7,146	1%
Baghdad	76,644	76,644	-	0%
Dahuk	780	780	-	0%
Diyala	219,516	219,666	150	0%
Erbil	36,138	38,256	2,118	6%
Kirkuk	270,852	273,612	2,760	1%
Ninewa	1,172,448	1,279,740	107,292	8%
Salah al-Din	506,856	511,386	4,530	1%
Total	3,511,602	3,635,598	123,996	4%

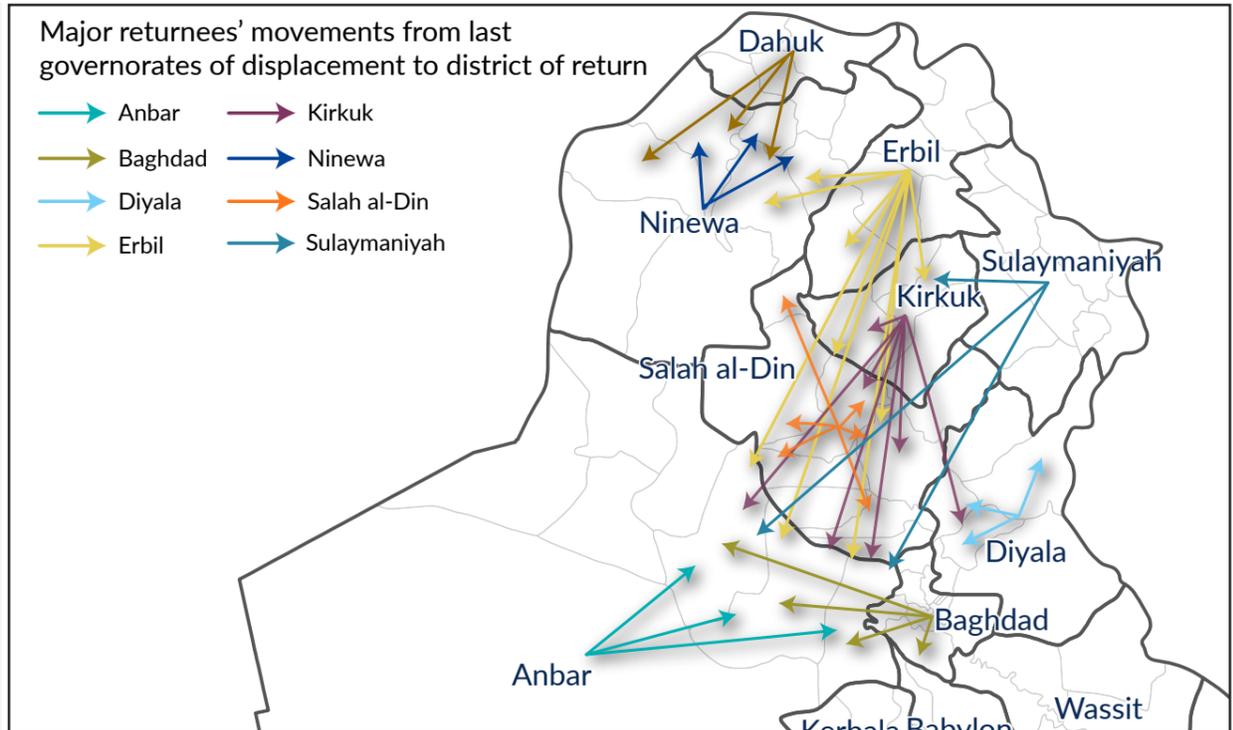
A total of 3,635,598 individuals reportedly returned to their location of origin, meaning that the number of returnees in Iraq has increased by 4% (123,996 individuals) this month.



RETURNEES BY GOVERNORATE OF PREVIOUS DISPLACEMENT

Of Iraq's 3.6 million returnees, 25% (899,376 individuals) were last displaced to Ninewa, 16% (589,122) to Anbar, 11% (411,006) to Erbil, 12% (408,882) to Kirkuk and 11% (384,360) to Baghdad.

Almost 100% (588,612 individuals) of the 589,122 returnees last displaced in Anbar were internally displaced within the governorate. Similarly, 99% (894,714) of returnees last displaced in Ninewa and 90% (227,166) of those last displaced in Salah al-Din were internally displaced within their own governorates.



Governorate of return	Last governorate of displacement												Total
	Anbar	Babylon	Baghdad	Dahuk	Diyala	Erbil	Kerbala	Kirkuk	Ninewa	Salah Al-Din	Sulaymaniyah	Others	
Anbar	588,612	8,760	269,400	894	0	163,830	0	133,302	0	3,096	67,620	0	1,235,514
Baghdad	0	4,050	68,112	0	0	3,828	48	0	0	0	486	120	76,644
Dahuk	0	0	0	780	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	780
Diyala	330	0	1,056	0	172,554	468	0	25,362	0	0	19,896	0	219,666
Erbil	0	0	0	0	0	34,680	0	3,576	0	0	0	0	38,256
Kirkuk	0	18	204	0	0	20,316	0	93,894	3,840	17,136	138,204	0	273,612
Ninewa	180	9,252	20,646	124,368	282	110,286	30,558	7,218	894,714	3,846	6,258	72,132	1,279,740
Salah al-Din	0	0	24,942	2,334	12	77,598	1,482	145,530	822	227,166	29,676	1,824	511,386
Total	589,122	22,080	384,360	128,376	172,848	411,006	32,088	408,882	899,376	251,244	262,140	74,076	3,635,598

RETURNEES LIVING IN CRITICAL SHELTERS

A total of 3,511,014 returnees (or 97% of Iraq's 3.6 million returnees) reportedly live in their habitual residence, while 2% (83,844 individuals) are in private settings and 1% (40,740) are in critical shelters.

Returnees living in critical shelters are concentrated in four governorates – Diyala (21,552 individuals), Salah al-Din (12,732), Ninewa (5,820) and Kirkuk (636). Diyala has the biggest share, with 53% (21,552 returnees) reporting to be living in critical shelters. In January 2018, DTM identified returnees living in critical shelters in Kirkuk Governorate for the first time. During this monitoring period, 636 individuals living in informal settlements in the districts of Kirkuk and Daquq were located.

