# PROTECTION RISKS AND CONCERNS AMONG TRAVELLERS CROSSING FOR WORK
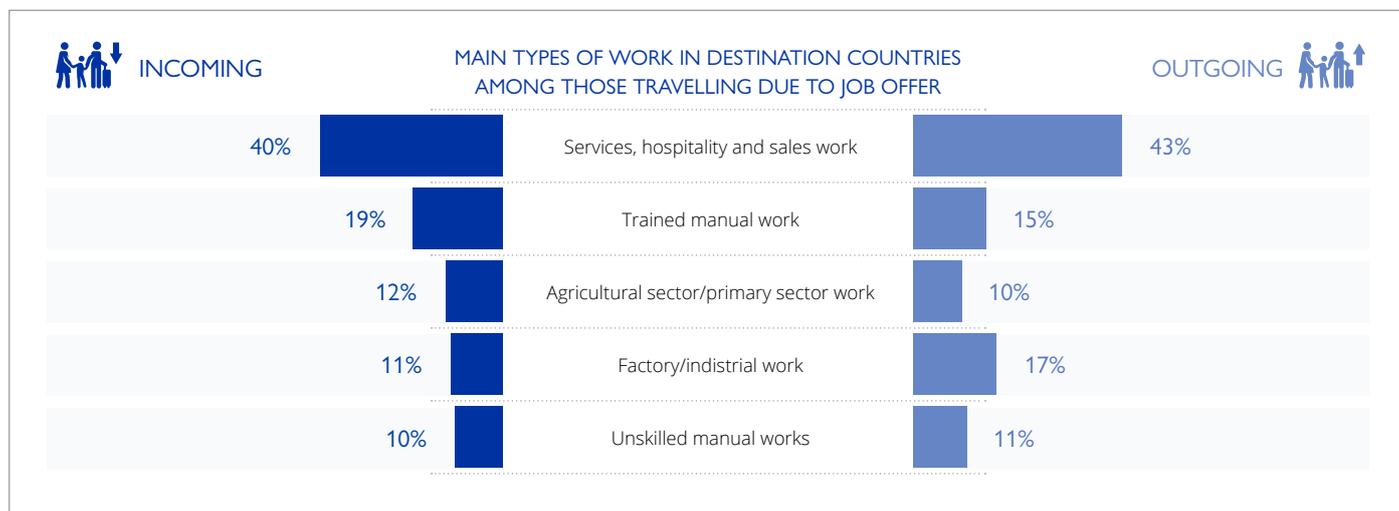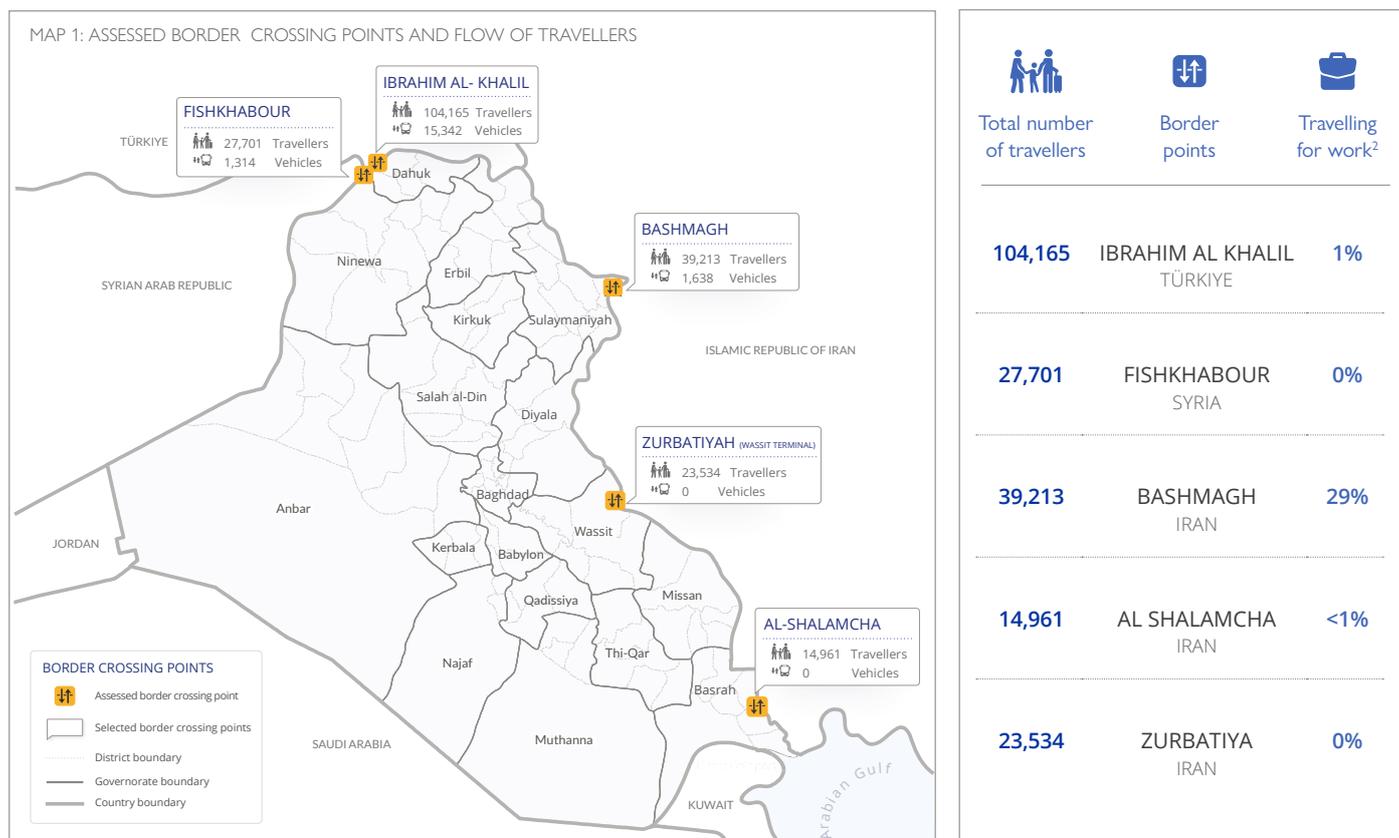
DATA COLLECTION PERIOD: JUNE 2022 – AUGUST 2022

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DTM Iraq collects data at border crossing points with neighboring countries – the Islamic Republic of Iran (Iran), the Syrian Arab Republic (Syria) and Türkiye – to better understand migration movements in the Middle East.[1] Cross-border monitoring data were collected employing two approaches: a headcount of all travellers entering or leaving Iraq and a survey of randomly selected travellers. Data collection took place between 1 June and 31 August 2022. Further details on the survey methodology, selection of respondents and border crossing points are available in the Methodological Overview on the DTM website.
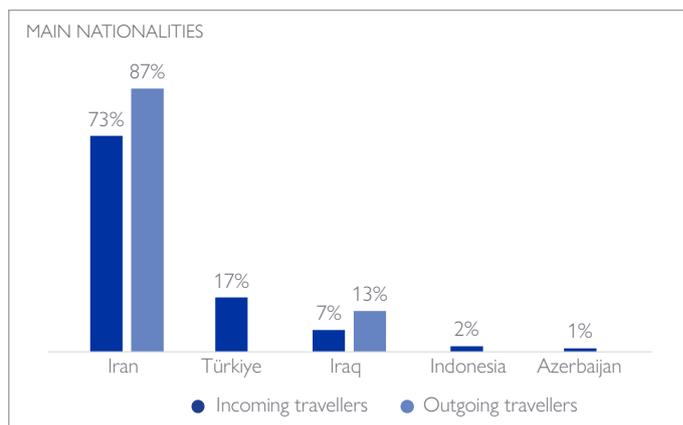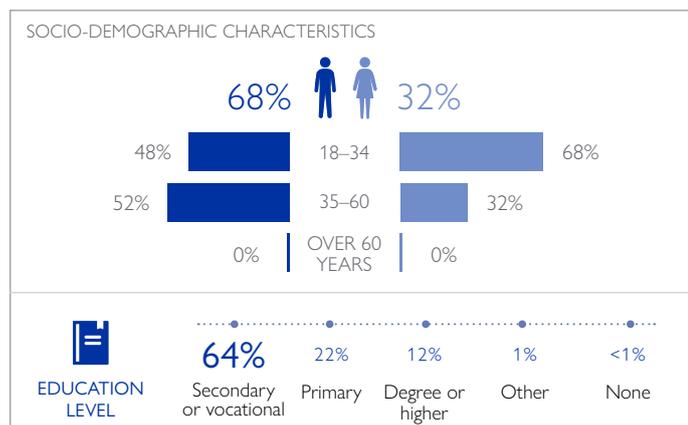
Since 1 March 2022, DTM has been collecting data on issues that may signify protection risks and concerns among travellers passing through the monitored border crossing points for reasons relating to labour. This report presents a count of those travelling for work, as well as their main socio-demographic characteristics, type of employment/job offer pursued and possible indicators of exploitation such as performing work or any activities against their will, without getting the expected payment, receiving false information about the nature or the location of the work.

## MAP 1: ASSESSED BORDER CROSSING POINTS AND FLOW OF TRAVELLERS

**FISHKHABOUR**
27,701 Travellers
1,314 Vehicles

**IBRAHIM AL- KHALIL**
104,165 Travellers
15,342 Vehicles

**BASHMAGH**
39,213 Travellers
1,638 Vehicles

**ZURBATIYAH** (WASSIT TERMINAL)
23,534 Travellers
0 Vehicles

**AL-SHALAMCHA**
14,961 Travellers
0 Vehicles

TÜRKIYE
SYRIAN ARAB REPUBLIC
ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF IRAN
JORDAN
SAUDI ARABIA
KUWAIT
Arabian Gulf

Dahuk, Ninewa, Erbil, Kirkuk, Sulaymaniyah, Salah al-Din, Diyala, Baghdad, Wassit, Anbar, Kerbala, Babylon, Qadissiya, Missan, Najaf, Thi-Qar, Basrah, Muthanna

**BORDER CROSSING POINTS**
- Assessed border crossing point
- Selected border crossing points
- District boundary
- Governorate boundary
- Country boundary

| Total number of travellers | Border points | Travelling for work[2] |
|---|---|---|
| 104,165 | IBRAHIM AL KHALIL TÜRKIYE | 1% |
| 27,701 | FISHKHABOUR SYRIA | 0% |
| 39,213 | BASHMAGH IRAN | 29% |
| 14,961 | AL SHALAMCHA IRAN | <1% |
| 23,534 | ZURBATIYA IRAN | 0% |

## INCOMING / OUTGOING — MAIN TYPES OF WORK IN DESTINATION COUNTRIES AMONG THOSE TRAVELLING DUE TO JOB OFFER

| INCOMING | Type of work | OUTGOING |
|---|---|---|
| 40% | Services, hospitality and sales work | 43% |
| 19% | Trained manual work | 15% |
| 12% | Agricultural sector/primary sector work | 10% |
| 11% | Factory/indistrial work | 17% |
| 10% | Unskilled manual works | 11% |

1   An interactive dashboard presenting data on the volume of travellers, their socio-demographic characteristics, reasons for travel, and labour migration can be found on the Iraq DTM portal at http://iraqdtm.iom.int/Remap#Dashboard

2   Those considered to be travelling for work include travellers who answered 'I got a job offer in Iraq or country of destination', 'I am actively looking for work (but no offer)' or 'I lost my job or did not find work' when asked about their reasons for travel.

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## SOCIO-DEMOGRAPHIC CHARACTERISTICS

68% 👨 👩 32%

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 48% | 18–34 | 68% |
| 52% | 35–60 | 32% |
| 0% | OVER 60 YEARS | 0% |

**EDUCATION LEVEL** 64%

- 64% Secondary or vocational
- 22% Primary
- 12% Degree or higher
- 1% Other
- <1% None

## MAIN NATIONALITIES

| | Incoming travellers | Outgoing travellers |
|---|---|---|
| Iran | 73% | 87% |
| Türkiye | 17% | |
| Iraq | 7% | 13% |
| Indonesia | 2% | |
| Azerbaijan | 1% | |

● Incoming travellers  ● Outgoing travellers

## TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS INDICATORS BY BORDER POINT

| | Employer gave false information | Worked without expected payment | Forced to work against will |
|---|---|---|---|
| Al-Shalamcha | 27% | 0% | 0% |
| Bashmagh | 4% | 1% | 0% |
| Ibrahim Al-Khalil | 22% | 13% | 2% |

## MAIN NATIONALITIES BY GOVERNORATES OF DESTINATION



Iranians → Sulaymaniyah, Erbil
Iraqis
Turkish → Anbar, Kirkuk
Indonesians → Dahuk, Basrah

## MAIN NATIONALITIES BY COUNTRIES OF DESTINATION



Iranians → Iran
Iraqis → Türkiye

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