



OVERVIEW:

77,334 Refugee Children are aged 3-17years. Of these, **56,189** are school aged (6-17 years). Currently 29,979 are so far enrolled in formal education and 5,211 in informal

MARCH HIGHLIGHTS:

56,189 Syrian school aged refugee children (6-17 years) are residing in Iraq, 9% in the KRI. 32,158 are spread into urban, peri-urban and rural communities, while 24,031 are in camps. Of these 29,979 children enrolled in formal both in primary and secondary education as of March while 5,211 are participating in non-formal education camps and non-camp settings across the Iraq



Children attending class in Akre Camp in Akre District. Photo credit: UNICEF, Feb/2017

NEEDS ANALYSIS:

Gaps and Constraints

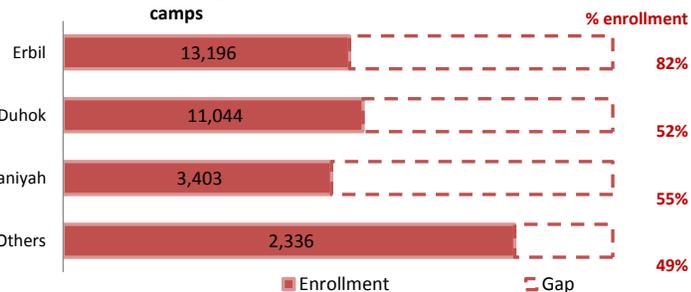
- The ongoing financial crisis of the KRI Government has limited the assistance that the Ministry of Education (MoE) can provide to refugee students in Iraq.

- Teachers operating in camps particularly in the camps in Erbil Governorate require training in psychosocial support

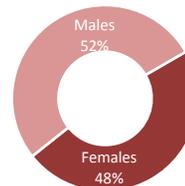
- The number of teachers remains low despite increase in enrolment in some camps. This is partly attributed to lack of incentives for teachers supporting schools with multiple shifts.

- As per recent study conducted by UNHCR, 31% girls and 36% boys of the Refugee children remain out of school. Among the out of school, 38% girls and 43% boys are in non-camp while 14% girls and 19% boys are in camp. Factors such as financial costs, lack of Arabic schools, child labour, among others are contributing to out of school children.

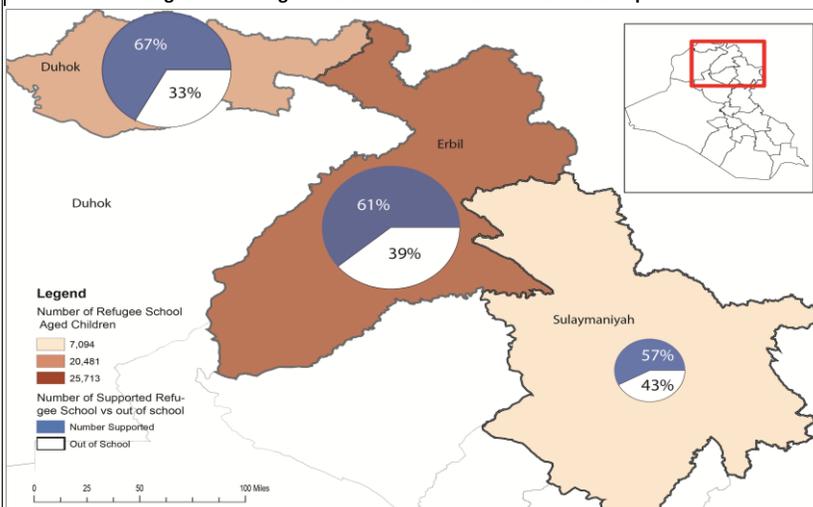
Children (6-17 years) attending primary schools in camps



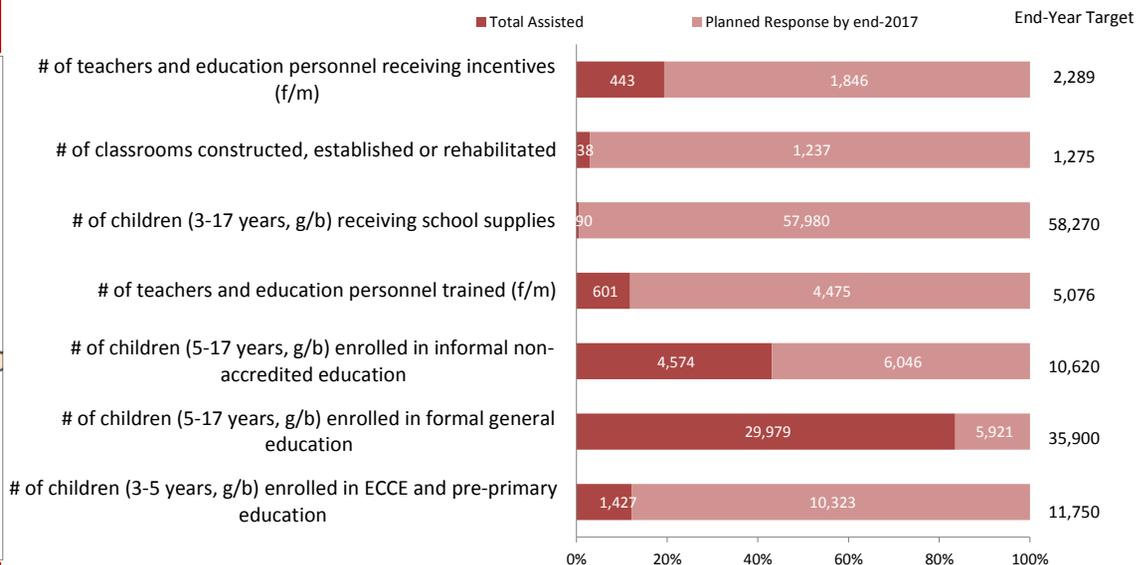
Gender Disaggregation of Refugee School aged Children Supported



Refugees School Aged Children: Sector Achievements and Gaps



IRAQ RESPONSE INDICATORS: MARCH 2017*



*Planned response is based on full funding of 3RP for all the school aged refugee children, spread out in the camp and non-camp settings majorly in the Kurdistan Region. There are 76,175 children between 3-17 years, and only 55,380 aged between 6-17years.

*The Numbers visualized above are based on the reports retrieved from Activityinfo as provided by the partners involved in the Refugee response as of March 2017.

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