

Syria Crisis Weekly Humanitarian Situation Report
Iraq
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Highlights

- At Domiz Camp, the number of new arrivals is straining essential services, particularly WASH.
- School began on 8 October at the UNHCR Camp at Al-Qaim.

Situation Overview and Humanitarian Needs:

Estimated Affected Population <i>(Estimates calculated based on initial figures from UNHCR, 5 Oct 2012)</i>			
	Total	Male	Female
Total Affected Population	36,500	*	*

*Disaggregated data is not yet available

There are now 36,500 Syrian refugees in Iraq. As of 3 October, 30,101 Syrians had arrived in Kurdistan, with 23,949 in Dohuk (19,000 of these at Domiz camp), 4,859 in Erbil and 1,293 in Suleimaniyah. At Al-Qaim camp there are 5,412 people.

Inter-Agency Collaboration and Partnerships:

In Erbil, northern Iraq, UNICEF participated in a UNHCR-led coordination meeting on 4 October, where it was agreed that water and sanitation assistance urgently need to be scaled up. On 9 October, an Education Working Group meeting and a UNHCR-led meeting on winterization took place. At Al-Qaim, western Iraq, meetings have been held with counterparts and implementing partners to discuss scaling up child protection interventions.

Programme response:

WASH: The Department of Displacement and Migration (DDM) is increasing the number of latrines in the transit area of Domiz camp from 30 to 200, with 150 now installed. The tent-to-tent hygiene promotion campaign continued and 1,693 people were reached with hygiene messages this week. UNICEF will install a water and sanitation system in phase 4 of Domiz camp, and is designing the system for phase 5. At the UNHCR-managed Al-Qaim camp, 40 hygiene mobilizers (50 percent female) continue to carry out daily hygiene promotion activities. Some 30 hygiene mobilizers (50 percent female) will be trained to carry out similar hygiene promotion activities at the Ministry of Displacement and Migration (MoDM) camp.

A UNICEF WASH team is visiting Al-Qaim to assess needs for the new camp (Camp 3). The new camp will be established in Al-Obaidi sub-district with a capacity of 4,000 tents.

Estimated #/% coverage	UNICEF & operational partners			Sector		
	UNICEF Target	Cumulative results (#)	% of Target Achieved	Sector Target	Cumulative results (#)	% of Target Achieved
Emergency affected population provided with access to drinking and domestic water	21,870	6,496*	30%	60,000	NA	NA
Emergency affected population provided with access to soap and other hygiene items	20,000	6,496*	32%	60,000	NA	NA
Emergency affected population with access to appropriately designed toilets and sanitation services	25,000	6,496*	26%	60,000	NA	NA
Population having access to hygiene promotion messages	60,000	3,669**	6%	60,000	NA	NA
Children access safe water, sanitation and hygiene facilities in their learning environment and in	9,750	0	0%	23,400	NA	NA

Estimated #/% coverage	UNICEF & operational partners			Sector		
	UNICEF Target	Cumulative results (#)	% of Target Achieved	Sector Target	Cumulative results (#)	% of Target Achieved
child friendly spaces						

* Al-Qaim only; ** Domiz only

Child Protection:

About 150 to 170 children aged 5 to 13 years are visiting Child Friendly Spaces (CFS) each day. Involvement of the Directorate of Social Affairs and Development will be enhanced through the incorporation of four social workers and four arts facilitators at the CFS to work alongside the community volunteers. Awareness sessions on child rights, human rights, and GBV will be organized for parents, community members and youth. In western Iraq about 300 children and youth have access to the CFS in two shifts (morning and evening). Children and families with special needs are being supported by a psychologist. Eight social workers attended a training session by Save the Children on CFS management and Child Protection in Emergencies.

Estimated #/% coverage	UNICEF & operational partners		
	UNICEF Target	Cumulative results (#)	% of Target Achieved
Children with access to psychosocial support services	4,000	170**	4%
Separated and unaccompanied children registered in family tracing or receiving family-based or appropriate alternative care	100%***	12	100%
UNICEF Operational Partners: General Directorate of Social Affairs and Development, Mine Action Group (MAG), IKMAA, ACTED and CPC			

** Domiz only, please note there was an over calculation last week; *** The goal is to reach all separated children

Education: In northern Iraq, expansion of the camp school to 24 classrooms to accommodate 1,200 students (in two shifts) is continuing. Efforts are ongoing to secure funds to provide teaching and learning materials. The Directorate of Education and UNHCR will cover teachers' salaries. A discussion will be held with NGO Harikar to finalize plans for a school enrolment drive at the camp. In western Iraq, school at the UNHCR camp opened on 8 October. Rehabilitation of eight schools that were occupied by refugees is 90 per cent complete. Supplies, including learning materials, were provided by UNICEF and distributed to all students.

Estimated #/% coverage	UNICEF & operational partners		
	UNICEF Target	Cumulative results (#)	% of Target Achieved
School-aged children in affected areas in schools/learning programmes	6,800	5,605*	82%
Children with access to psycho-social support in education programmes	6,800	1,500*	22%
UNICEF Operational Partners: DoE Al-Qaim, DoE Al-Anbar, Al-Afkar Society for Relief and Development			

*Al-Qaim only

Health: Despite strained services at Domiz, the general situation of children is stable, with cases of diarrhoea declining this week after UNICEF-led hygiene promotion activities. At the camp health centre, oral rehydration treatment was provided to 62 people. Some 1,269 people received measles, mumps and rubella vaccines, and 1,360 received tetanus and diphtheria vaccine, though the UNICEF/Department of Health campaign.

In western Iraq, the Government of Iraq will establish a primary health care centre at the new camp to ensure required health services are provided for the new refugees. All children will be included in the routine immunization program once the new PHC centre is operational. Cold chain supplies and support for 14 mobile teams as well as health education (vaccine awareness) is being provided by UNICEF.

Estimated #/% coverage	UNICEF & operational partners
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	UNICEF Target	Cumulative results (#)	% of Target Achieved
Children (boys and girls) vaccinated against measles	4,200	630*	15%
Children <2 yrs* (boys and girls) fully covered with routine Immunization antigens	1,600	0	0%
Children (boys and girls) 6-59 months receiving Vitamin A supplementation	3,400	0	0%
Children and women equitably access essential health services with sustained coverage of preventive and curative interventions	12,400	0	0%
UNICEF Operational Partners: DOH			

*Al-Qaim only

Nutrition:

In northern Iraq, 70 children under five were screened during the week with no cases of malnutrition detected. In western Iraq, a rapid nutrition assessment for 580 children under five found that they were within the normal range.

Estimated #/% coverage	UNICEF & operational partners		
	UNICEF Target	Cumulative results (#)	% of Target Achieved
Children <5 receiving multi-micronutrient supplementation	4,200	14*	0.3%
PLWs receiving micronutrient supplementation	1,600	0	0%
Women having access to IYCF Services	800	0	0%
UNICEF Operational Partners: MoH			

*Al-Qaim only

Human Resources:

	Number staff
Country Office staff	48
Temporary staff	6
Surge	0
Standby partners	0
Under recruitment	18
Standby partners:	

Next Situation Report: 24 October 2012

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