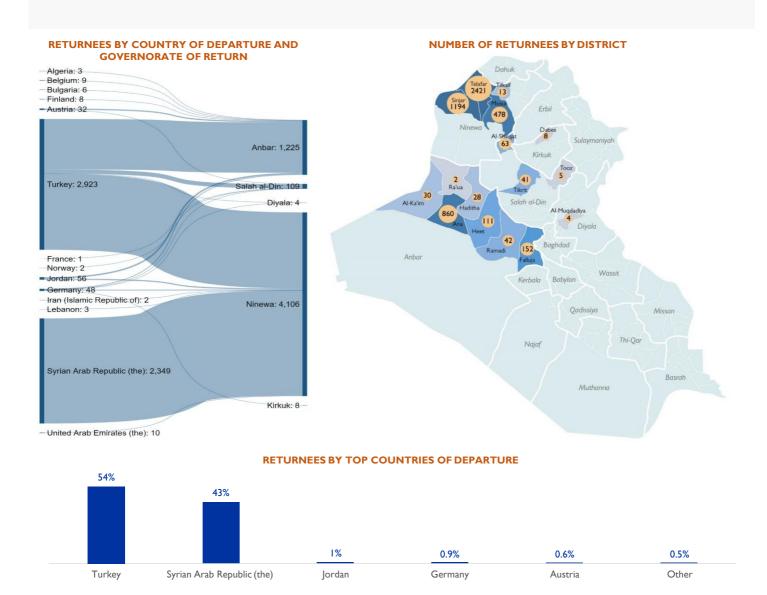


From May to October 2018, 5,452 Iraqi returnees from abroad were identified in 5 Governorates, 16 Districts and 147 locations.

from abroad

During the reporting period, key informants identified returnees who came mainly from Turkey (54%) and the Syrian Arab Republic (43%). The Governorate of Ninewa reported the highest number (75%), followed by Anbar (22%). The returnees identified in Ninewa Governorate were primarily in three districts: Telafar (59%), Sinjar (29%) and Mosul (12%). Similarly, in Anbar Governorate, returnees were observed in the districts of Ana (70%), Falluja (12%) and Heet (9%).

Definition: The term **"Iraqi returnees from abroad**", also referred to as **"returnees"** in this document, refers to former Iraqi migrants (including former refugees and asylum seekers) who returned to Iraq from a foreign country during the reported period, and, therefore, does not include former internally displaced persons (IDPs).



METHODOLOGY

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Data is gathered through a well-established, large network of over 9,500 key informants, which includes community leaders, mukhtars, local authorities and security forces. It should be noted that limited access due to security issues and other operational constraints can affect information-gathering activities.

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