

# UNDP Results

## Iraq

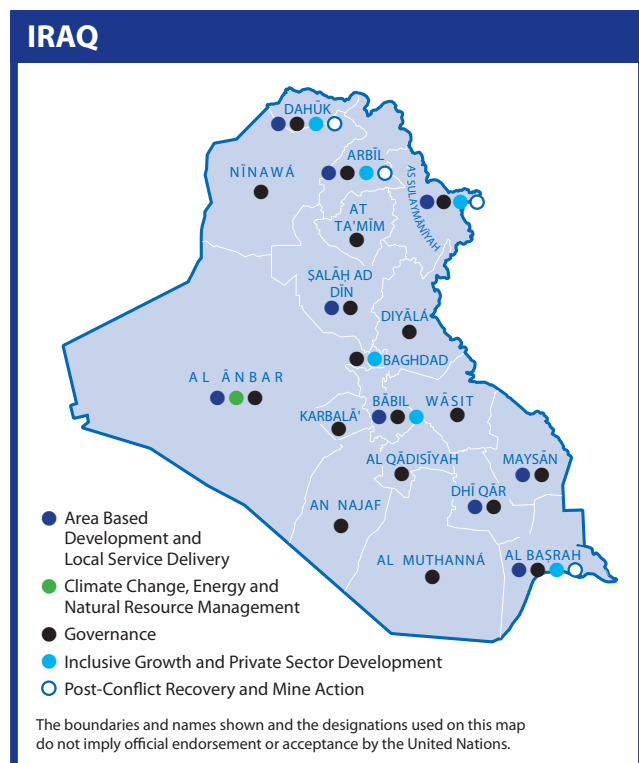


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## Approach

The United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) has worked to support the Government and people of Iraq in their transition towards reconciliation, peace and stability since 1976 in the areas of democratic governance; poverty reduction; crisis prevention and recovery, and energy and environment. Since 2003, UNDP has also been supporting emergency physical rehabilitation projects and has been enhancing the quality of basic services, including water and electricity.

Most recently, UNDP contributed to strengthening the democratic process in Iraq, primarily through its support to the 2010 national elections. Meanwhile, UNDP continues its work on anti-corruption, rule of law, justice, human rights, public sector reform, disaster risk reduction, environment and climate change.



## R E S U L T S

### Governance

- UNDP is building the capacity of the Independent High Electoral Commission to carry out free and fair elections, providing staff training on procurement, drafting of regulations, data management and the use of social media to communicate and encourage voter registration.
- To develop the capacity of the Iraqi judicial system and provide for greater transparency and accountability, UNDP:
  - Established legal aid desks that promote and facilitate access to justice for Iraqis, particularly victims of gender-based violence.
  - Provided advisory and physical support to provide web enabled automation of legal services.
  - Worked closely with the Kurdistan Regional Government to pass a Domestic Violence Bill with a focus on prevention, protection and reintegration of survivors of violence.
  - Set up model courts in Baghdad, Basra and Erbil; trained over 45 Iraqi judges; and assisted in the revision of the curricula at Iraq's Judicial Training Institute and Judicial Development Institute so that it conforms to international standards.
  - Developed the Iraqi Legal Database in Arabic. To date, 36,600 legal articles have been entered into the database and work completed on six indices.
- UNDP led a multi-UN agency programme to support the Government in developing and implementing a public sector strategy aiming to reform and bring gender parity to three key sectors: health, education, and water and sanitation.
- UNDP, in partnership with the UN Office on Drugs and Crime and the Government, created an Iraqi Anti-Corruption Strategy for 2010-2014 and supported the roll-out of the Strategy throughout Iraq. In the last year, more than 34,000 government and civil society representatives were trained in this area throughout the country.

## UNDP Activities in Iraq: 2010–2011

Theme	Funders	Delivery (US\$ Millions)	
		2010	Jan-Sept 2011
<b>Climate Change, Energy and Natural Resources</b>	Italy, Iraq Trust Fund, UNDAF Trust Fund, UNDP	1.6	0.7
<b>Inclusive Growth &amp; Private Sector Development</b>	Iraq, United Kingdom (UK), United States of America (USA), Iraq Trust Fund, Japan Bank for International Cooperation, Danish International Development Agency	6.0	7.3
<b>Area Based Development &amp; Local Service Delivery</b>	Iraq, Japan, USA, Iraq Trust Fund, Swedish International Development Agency, UK Department for International Development (DFID), UNDP	22.4	17.6
<b>Post-Conflict Recovery &amp; Mine Action</b>	Australia, Japan, USA, AusAID, DFID, UNDP	4.7	4.6
<b>MDG</b>	UNDP	0.6	0.4
<b>Governance &amp; Civil Society</b>	Belgium, The Netherlands, Sweden, USA, European Commission, Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria, Iraq Trust Fund, UNDP	18.4	16.9
<b>Total</b>		<b>53.7</b>	<b>47.5</b>

Source: UNDP Iraq, November 2011

### National recovery

- UNDP was instrumental in establishing a Higher Committee for Mine Action under the Prime Minister's Office, a key step toward Iraq's ability to meet its obligations under the Ottawa Convention's Anti-Personnel Mine Ban Treaty.

- UNDP, in collaboration with the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria, has supported the renovation and rebuilding of destroyed health facilities; the procurement of high quality equipment for tuberculosis management; provided access to regular medical supplies for those affected by tuberculosis; and established regulatory frameworks for tuberculosis care institutions. By March 2011, 9,300 persons were diagnosed with tuberculosis and in treatment and 146 laboratories had been established. UNDP is also providing support to 674 health care centres that are equipped to treat tuberculosis.

- UNDP provided significant support to infrastructure, equipment provision, capacity building and community involvement and mobilization for five hospitals in Iraq. In November 2010, the construction of Halabja Maternity and Children's Hospital was completed, and the hospital is fully functional and operating under the authority and management of the Government. In early 2011, the rehabilitation of Ramadi General Hospital and Tikrit General Hospital was completed, providing a total of 800 beds and is serving approximately 2.8 million people. The Basrah Children's Hospital is now fully operational, serving a population of 938,605 children with its 94 beds.

### Economic recovery

- Since 2008, UNDP has been leading a multi-agency joint programme on private sector development in Iraq that provides technical assistance and capacity support for pro-business national policies and pilot projects. With the Government of Iraq in the lead, the programme has started the restructuring of state-owned enterprises in the oil, electricity, agriculture, housing, water, transport, and communications sectors. Key laws have been drafted, supporting a friendlier private sector environment.

- UNDP has supported Iraq's water and sanitation sector since 2003 through civil works and the provision of equipment, increasing access to potable water for approximately one million people. In 2011, UNDP provided technical training to Muthanna Governorate's Ministry of Electricity engineers along with planning support for its electricity substations and water and sanitation systems.

- UNDP has been providing technical assistance to Kurdistan's Ministry of Electricity to support the reconstruction of the electricity sector in that region. As a result, more than 1,000 transformers have been delivered to improve Kurdistan's distribution network and 13 mobile substations have been procured and installed in the power system, providing adequate and reliable supply to consumers.

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