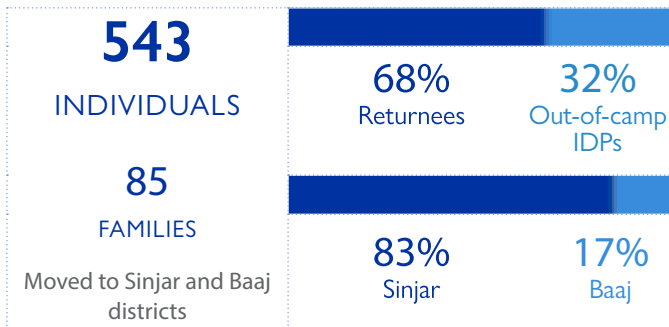


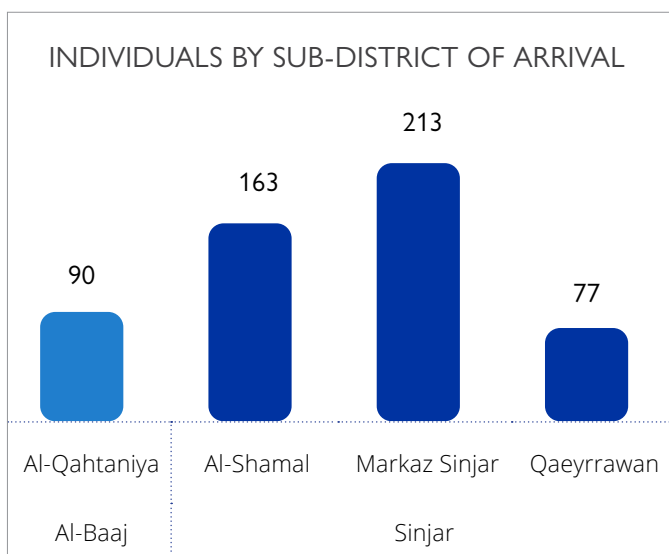
# DISPLACEMENT AND RETURNS TO SINJAR AND BAAJ DISTRICTS

PERIOD COVERED:  
8 JUNE - 14 JUNE 2020

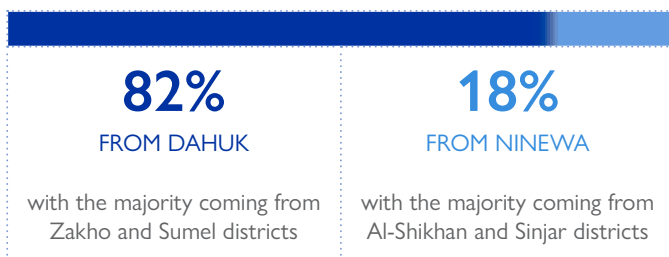
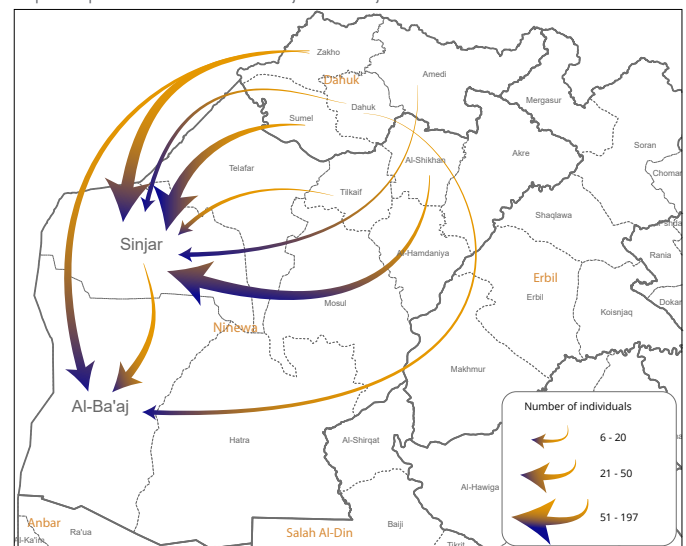


Between the 8th and the 14th of June, DTM recorded 543 individuals (85 families) having moved back to Sinjar and Baaj districts. 370 individuals (60 families, 68%) returned to their location of origin and were recorded as returnees. The remaining 173 individuals (25 families, 32%), while being originally from Sinjar District, did not return to their location of origin and were recorded as out-of-camp IDPs.

The majority moved back to Markaz Sinjar and Al-Shamal sub-districts (39% and 30%, respectively).

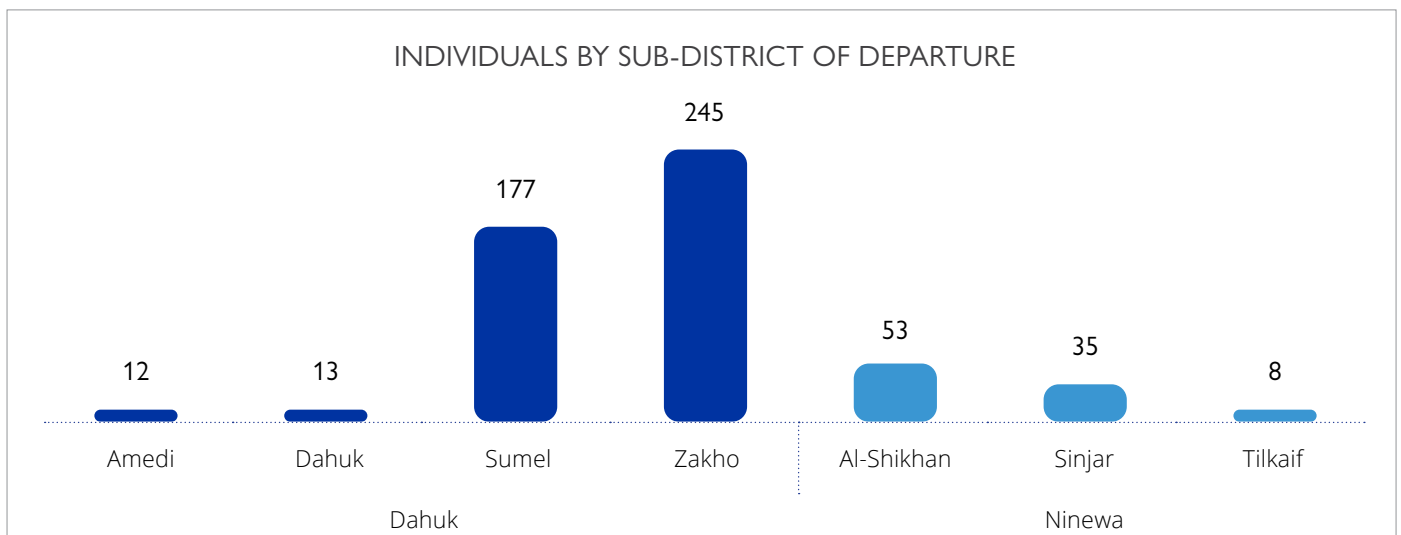


Map 1. Population Movements to Sinjar and Baaj districts



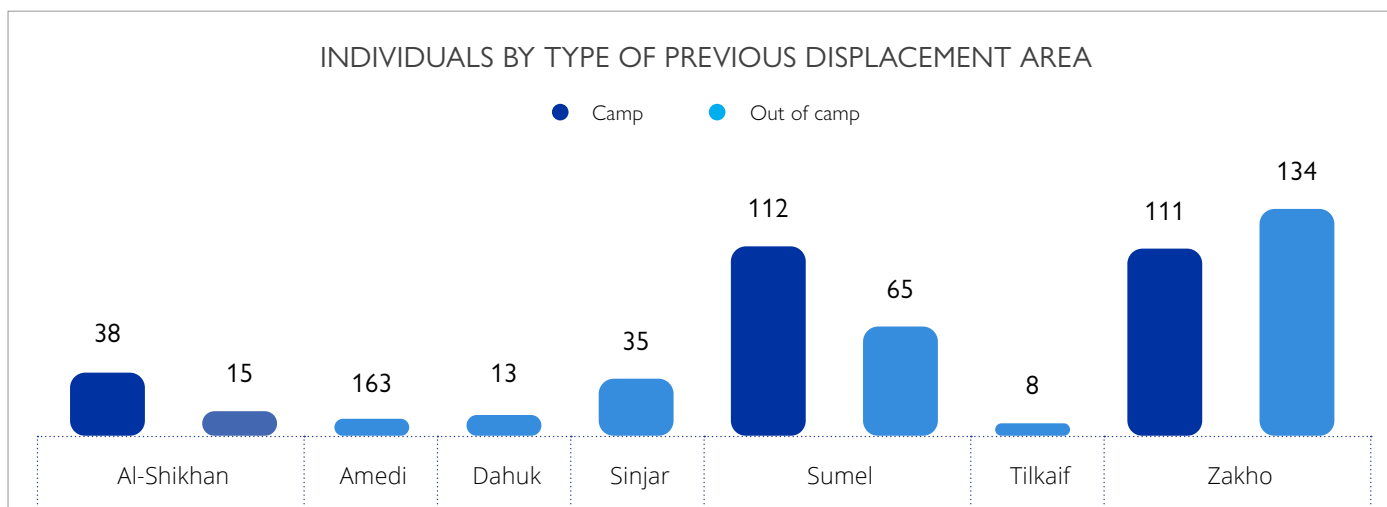
447 came from Dahuk (82%), mainly from Zakho and Sumel, while 96 arrived from other locations in Ninewa (18%).

35 of the individuals who returned to Al-Baaj (7 families) came from Sinjar, while the rest returned from Dahuk and Zakho districts.





261 individuals came from camp settings (48%) while 282 came from out-of-camp settings (52%).



## ADDITIONAL ANECDOTAL NARRATIVE

### Reasons for returns

- Reasons for IDPs going home to Sinjar include the improved security situation, clearing of mines/IEDs, and the rehabilitation of public infrastructure. Mukhtars, local NGOs and returnees have also encouraged IDPs to return home.

### Assistance and registration

- MOMD is registering families (that have a firm intention to return) in Sinjar center (registration ended in Sinnuni covering Qahtania, Sinnuni and their surrounding villages).
  - As of June 14, they had registered 211 individuals.
- MOMD's main office in Mosul city distributed food and hygiene items to each family and a total of 7,000 masks in Zaradishti camp but no cash distribution reported.

### Next Movements and Intentions

- Hundreds of families in KRI are reportedly planning to return to Ninewa as soon as access between governorates is allowed, and many of them completed the proper paperwork to do so.
  - These returns have already started and are expected to speed up when COVID-19 movement restrictions are eased.

- Some returns from Dahuk appear complicated due to Suhaila bridge being inaccessible during the Covid-19 curfew.
- Returns expected from Dahuk camps (Dawadadi, Rawanga, Berserve, Bajet Kandal, Shariya, Darkar, Khanke, Kabarto 1 & 2, Chamishku); Dahuk villages (Shariya center, Baadre, Zakho, Essian, Sumel, Dahuk, Mahati, Alqosh, Khanke).
- Multiple IDPs originally from Sinjar who are displaced within Ninewa, mainly in Al-Shikhan, Essyan, Mam Rashaan and Baadre also reportedly plan to return to their place of origin.
- There are negotiations among Yazidi tribes and Mukhtars regarding the returns, some of them had already agreed to return as soon as possible.
  - a tribe of Tilbanat village intends to return Qerawan sub district as soon as possible.
  - IDPs of Sinjar District (Mount area & and Sinuni) intend to return to Alqahtaniya sub district center, Gerzarik, and Aljazeera complex.

### Shelter situation

- Many of the families that have returned to Shamal sub-district live in rented accommodation or with host families.