

Syrian family in Domiz camp, Iraq. Photo WHO There are an estimated 90 449 registered Syrian refugees in Iraq (UNHCR). This includes 1120 Syrian refugees who receive health services in Domiz and Al Qai'm refugee camps (850 at Domiz and 270 at Al Qai'm). There are four primary health care facilities in the camps, run by the government and international organizations, that engage 49 health workers.

The increasing number of refugees outside the camps in northern Iraq has led to the decision to establish another two camps in Erbil and Sulaimaniyah.

WHO is providing antiviral medicine to the Ministry of Health to support case management for a recent rise in influenza cases caused by influenza A(H1N1)pdmo9. In Iraq, so far 11 out of 598 laboratory-confirmed influenza cases caused by influenza A(H1N1)pdm09 have died. WHO has enhanced monitoring to prevent further spread in the Syrian refugee camps.

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