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Intentions of Return and Resettlement

- ⇒ 88.8 percent of Iraqis in Jordan do not have the intention to return back to Iraq.
- ⇒ 52.1 percent are not willing to resettle in a third country, mainly because of fear of not being able to integrate into a new community.



- UNHCR data highlighted that the total number of registered Iraqis in Jordan is 33, 677 individuals, out of which 7,744 individuals were registered during the year 2011.
- UNHCR figures indicate that the number of Iraqis resettled in a third country is very limited since 2007, and does not exceed 17939 out of 33,948 registered with UNHCR as of end of 2011.

Jordan's Policy Responses

Allowing Iraqi students to register at public schools.







- Exemptions from School fees and text books.
- Receiving Iraqi patients in public hospitals and healthcare centers.
- Waiving residency fines.
- Allowing Iraqis to work in jobs that are occupied by non-Jordanians.
- Providing accessibility for Iraqis to vocational training.



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Visit-see procedures:

The Government of Jordan enacted new procedures (visit-see procedures) that allow Iraqis currently residing in Jordan to visit Iraq to explore the social, economic, and security situation there and return to Jordan without any hurdles (concerning their entry procedures) if they feel that the overall situation in Iraq is not yet encouraging for their stay.

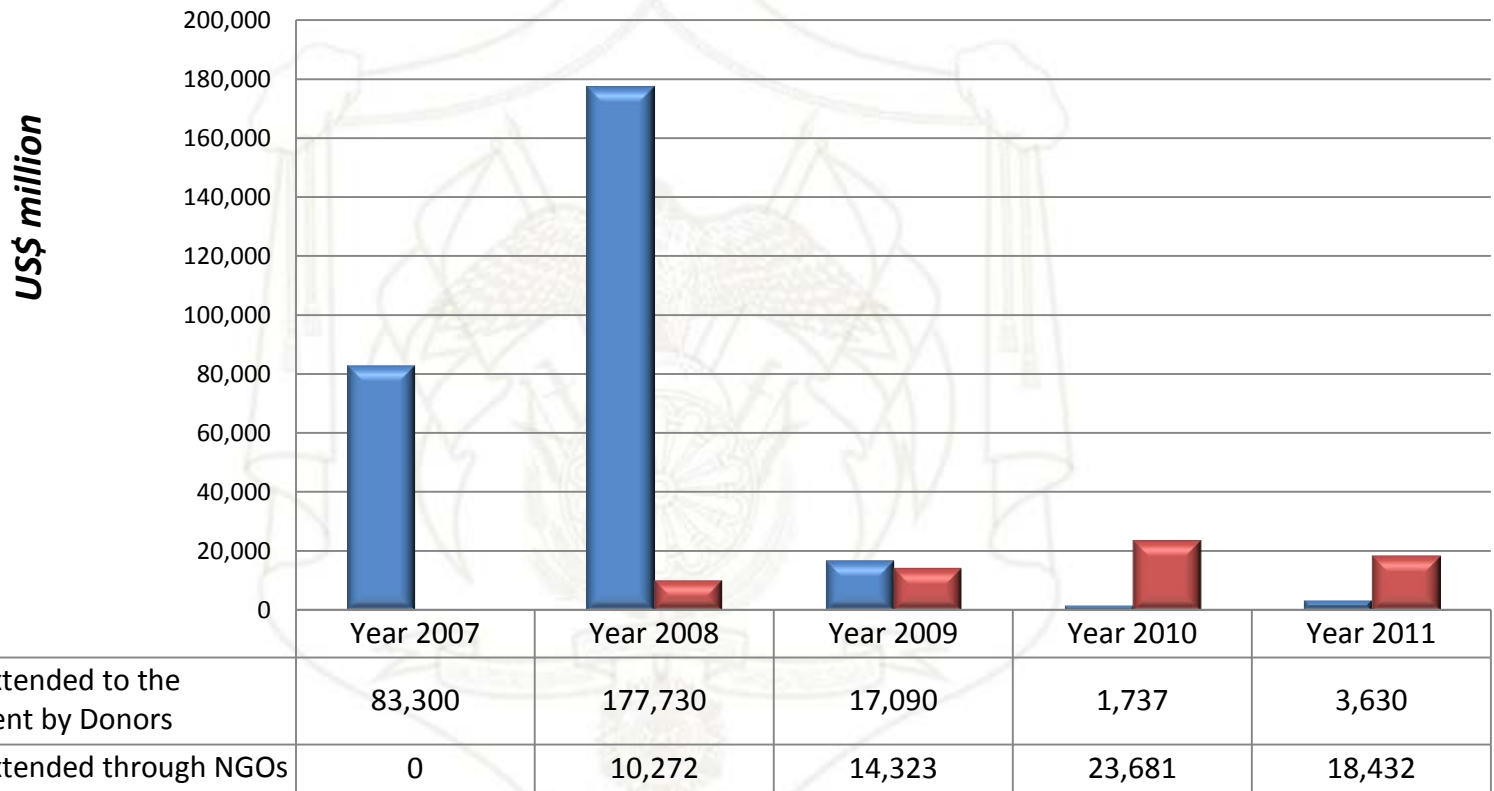


Support of the International Community to mitigate the impact of Hosting Iraqis:

(US\$ million)

Year	Support extended to the Government by Donors	Support extended through NGOs	Total
2007	83,300	0	83,300
2008	177,730	10,272	188,002
2009	17,090	14,323	31,413
2010	1,737	23,681	25,418
2011	3,630	18,432	22,062
Total	283,487	66,708	350,195

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Challenges Facing Jordan:

- ⇒ High levels of poverty and unemployment.
- ⇒ Scarce resources, particularly in the (Water, Health, Energy and Education) sectors.
- ⇒ Hosting Iraqis is costing the country over US\$ 570 million annually in services and resources required to maintain the level of basic services.
- ⇒ The Government of Jordan also subsidizes a number of items and basic commodities to ease the burden on the lower income groups.
- ⇒ Hosting a large number of displaced people in the country has an indirect cost including, depletion of resources, competition with Jordanian youth on limited new job opportunities, expanding the informal sector in addition to other social effects.



Thank you

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