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June 2016

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Syria & Iraq: Major clashes
January 2015 - June 2016

Major clash: Every military/violent confrontation between armed actors (including airstrikes, artillery fire, bombings, suicide vests, Suicide Vehicle-Borne Improvised Explosive Devices [SVBIED] and Vehicle-Borne Improvised Explosive Devices [VBIED]).

Sources: www.ecoi.net/atlas_syria_iraq_sources.pdf
Syria & Iraq: Religious and sectarian groups
January 2014

This map shows only the main areas of settlement of religious and sectarian groups. The Syrian and Iraqi populations are very heterogeneous in terms of religious and sectarian affiliation, especially in urban centers.

Sources: www.ecoi.net/atlas_syria_iraq_sources.pdf
This map shows only the main areas of settlement of ethnic and linguistic groups. The Syrian and Iraqi populations are very heterogeneous in terms of ethnic and linguistic affiliation, especially in urban centers.

Sources: www.ecoi.net/atlas_syria_iraq_sources.pdf
Kurds in the Middle East

This map shows only the main areas of Kurdish settlement. The Middle Eastern population is very heterogeneous in terms of ethnic and linguistic affiliation, especially in urban centers.

Sources: www.ecoi.net/atlas_syria_iraq_sources.pdf
Oil and gas fields in Iraq and Syria
This map only depicts official camps for Syrian and Iraqi refugees and does not make reference to informal camps and tent camps set up by refugees without shelter.

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Syrian/Iraqi citizens and Syrian/Iraqi-born population
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