

# IOM History in Iraq

*"Iraq is in our DNA"*

Assisting people since 1990





1990, Jordan

IOM assists Asian and Middle Eastern migrant workers stranded in Kuwait after Iraq's invasion.





**1991, Turkey**

**IOM safely returns thousands of Iraqi-Kurds who fled fighting during the Gulf War.**





**1993 Syria/ Iran/ Turkey**  
Over 200,000 Iraqi-Kurds are assisted by IOM in their return from border camps.





1996, Iran

IOM safely returns thousands of Iraqi-Kurds from Iran.







**2003, Iraq**

**IOM Iraq mission officially established in January 2003.**



**Iraq, 2004**

**IOM provides humanitarian aid during the Iraq War.**



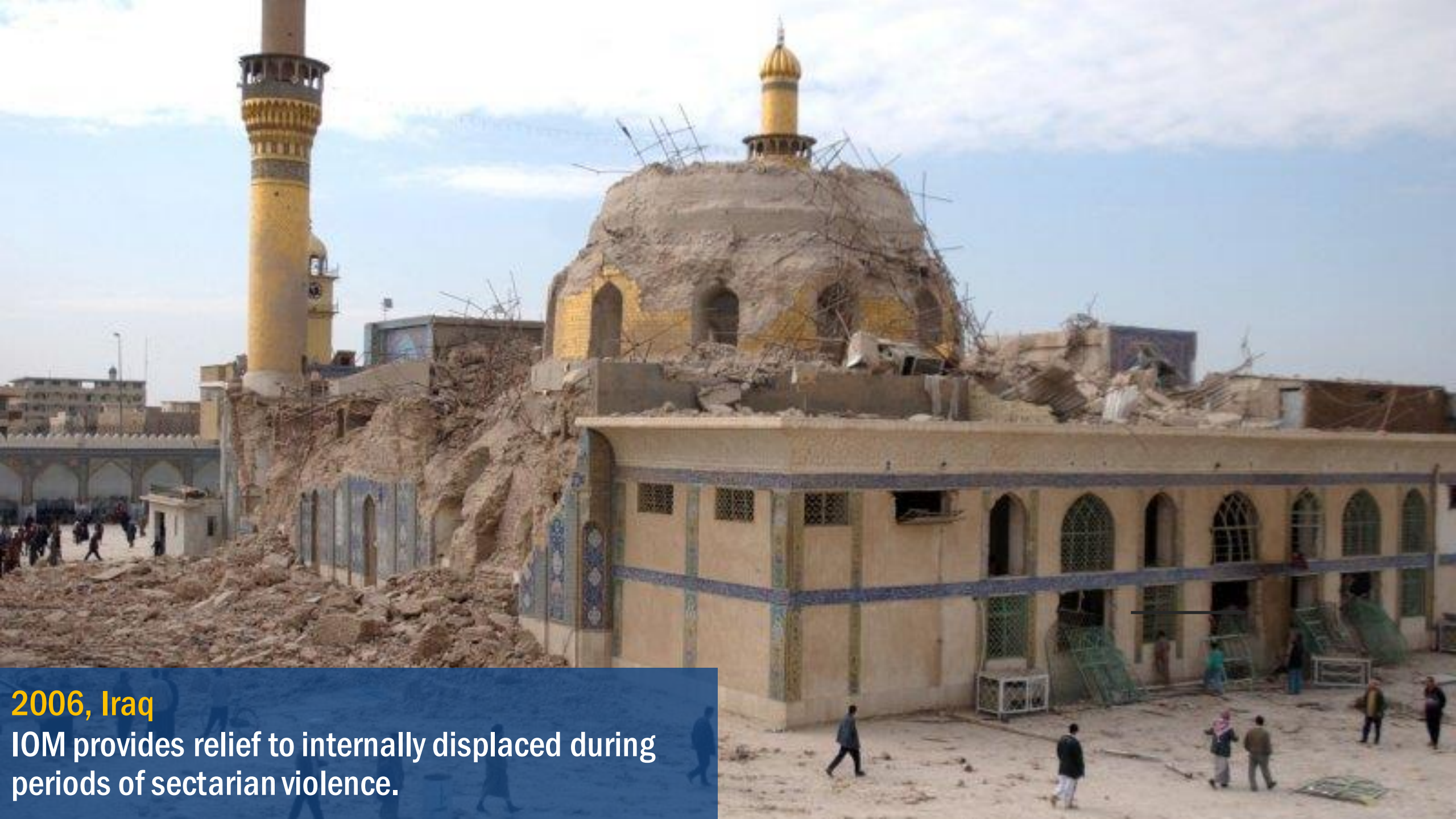


Canada, 2005

IOM organizes out-of-country voting in 14 countries where Iraqis cast their vote for a new and democratic Iraq.







**2006, Iraq**

**IOM provides relief to internally displaced during periods of sectarian violence.**





**2006, Lebanon**

**IOM evacuates Iraqi nationals from Beirut in the wake of the Israel-Hezbollah conflict.**



2010, Iraq

IOM responds to a water crisis in Southern Basrah, aiding over 50,000 people.





2011, Iraq

IOM provides livelihoods, human security and stabilization support in Ninewa.





2012, Iraq  
IOM rolls out peacebuilding initiatives in Babylon.





**2013, Iraq**  
IOM assists Syrian refugees,  
following the conflict in Syria.





**2014, Iraq**

As the ISIL invasion begins, IOM is the first UN agency on the ground providing lifesaving aid in war-torn areas.





2014-2018, Iraq

IOM remains in ISIL occupied areas providing humanitarian aid and continues after the liberation.





2019, Iraq

IOM resettles vulnerable Yazidi families to France,  
after the ISIL conflict.





2020, Iraq

IOM runs nationwide COVID-19 public health emergency operations.





2021, Iraq

Iraq becomes 'champion country' for the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration (GCM).





**2019-2021, Iraq**  
**IOM supports 1,000 businesses and creates 5,000 jobs, leading post-conflict recovery.**

