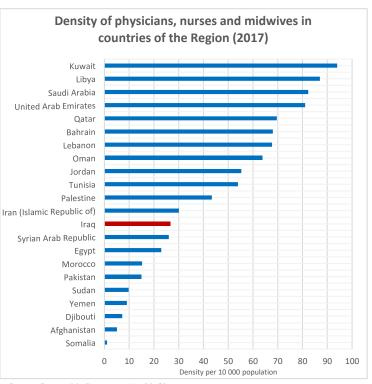


Health workforce snapshot

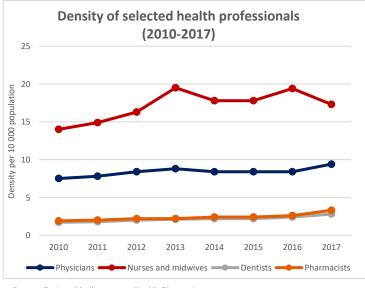
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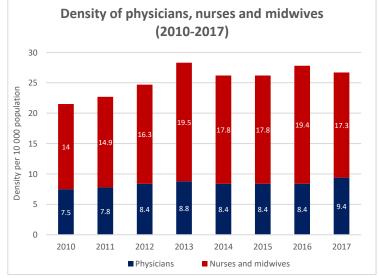
IRAQ AT A GLANCE ¹	
Total population (2018) ²	38 124 182
Gross national income per capita (US\$, 2018) ³	17 290
Unemployment (% of total labour force) (2018) ³	7.9
Per capita current public health expenditure (US\$ 2018)2	95.6
Government health expenditure as % of general	1.5
government expenditure (2018) ² Out-of-pocket expenditure as % of current health	78.5
expenditure (2017)	
Universal health coverage index (2015) ⁴	63
Number of refugees (2016)	261 882
Number of internally displaced persons (2019) ⁵	1 414 632
Maternal Mortality per 100 000 live births (2017)	50
Under 5 mortality per 1000 live births (2017)	30
Births attended by skilled health personnel (%) (2017)	91.5
Raised blood glucose (%, 18+ years) (2017)	17.4
Raised blood pressure (%, 18+ years) (2017)	25.2
Hepatitis B incidence rate per 100 000 (2017)	100



Source: Eastern Mediterranean Health Observatory



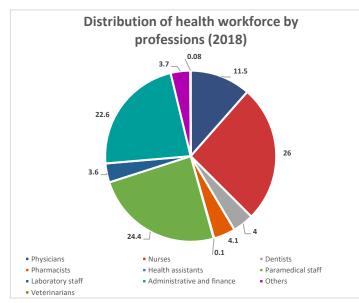
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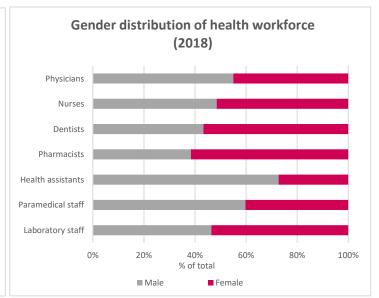


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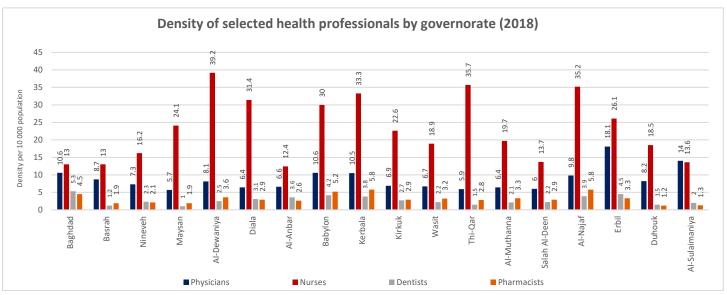
- Health workforce composition shows a deficit of qualified general and specialist physicians, nurses, midwives and support staff.
- Wide variation between governorates in the density of health workforce further worsens the situation.
- Dual practice is common and unregulated.
- Physicians are the only cadre with legislative recognition. Commonly, the title of "nurse" is arbitrarily assigned to workers who are not qualified nurses.
- Only 30% of nurses are educated to diploma or degree level; the remaining 70% are educated to secondary school level or lower.
- Gaps exist in data on graduates from all cadres, which makes it difficult to obtain a clear picture of production capacity.
- A Council for Accreditation of Medical Schools has been created and has developed guidelines including relevant standards.
- There are 28 medical colleges in Iraq, 27 of which are public. Every governorate has at least one medical college.



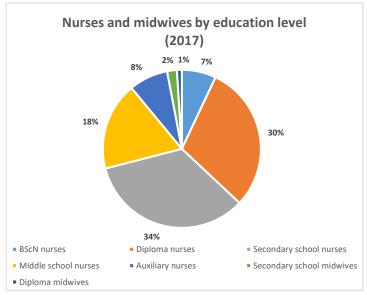


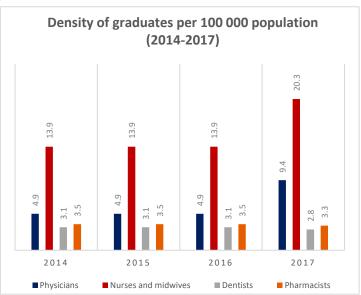
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