

# World Bank Iraq Data Sheet

As of November 30, 2006



## The International Reconstruction Fund Facility for Iraq (IRFFI)

IRFFI aims to help donors channel their resources and coordinate their support for reconstruction and development activities in Iraq in line with the priorities identified in the Needs Assessment and validated by Iraqi authorities. IRFFI encompasses two trust funds: the World Bank Iraq Trust Fund (ITF), and the UN Development Group Trust Fund. Donors began depositing funds in March 2004.

Since March 2004, the Bank approved and launched fifteen grants totaling about US\$410 million, thereby committing nearly all donor deposits in the ITF. The closing date of the ITF is December 31, 2007. The Bank recommended extending the ITF in its December 2005 report to donors, which was discussed in Amman in May 2006. The Bank sent amendment letters to donors to formally extend the end disbursement date of the ITF to December 31, 2010 and enable the ITF to complete existing projects. To date, 14 out of 17 donors co-signed the amendment letter.

## Bank Group Strategy

The Second Interim Strategy note was presented to the World Bank Board of Directors on September 15, 2005. The Bank's overarching objective is to help Iraq build efficient, inclusive, transparent, and accountable institutions as needed for stability, good governance, and sustainable economic prosperity. The Bank Group's work program is organized into four pillars, supporting government efforts to: restore basic service delivery; enable private sector development; strengthen social safety nets; and improve public sector governance. The endorsement of this strategy paved the way for US\$500 million in IDA lending in priority sectors, and for the provision of advisory and analytic work clustered around the four pillars.

## Stay Updated

The grant closing date for the **Second Capacity Building project** has been extended till **September 30, 2007**.

The supplemental grant for **School Construction in the Marshlands** was signed on **October 22, 2006**.

For more detailed information visit: [www.irffi.org](http://www.irffi.org) and [www.worldbank.org/mena/iq](http://www.worldbank.org/mena/iq).

World Bank Iraq Trust Fund Financed Projects	Project Amount (US\$ mln)	Approval Date	Implementing Agency
<b>Project Completed</b>			
Capacity Building I	3.6	Feb-04	World Bank
<b>Projects Underway</b>			
Textbook Provision	40.0	May-04	Ministry of Education
School Reconstruction and Rehabilitation	60.0	Oct-04	Ministry of Education
Capacity Building II	7.0	Nov-04	World Bank
Baghdad Water Supply & Sanitation	65.0	Dec-04	Municipality of Baghdad
Water, Sanitation & Urban Reconstr.	90.0	Dec-04	Ministry of Municipalities & Public Works
Health Rehabilitation	25.0	Nov-04	Ministry of Health
Private Sector Development	55.0	Nov-04	Ministry of Planning & Development Cooperation and ITPC
Community Infrastructure Project	20.0	Dec-04	Ministry of Water Resources
Disabilities Project	19.5	Nov-05	Ministry of Health
Social Protection Project	8.0	Jun-06	Ministry of Labor and Social Affairs
Household Survey & Policies Technical Assistance	1.5	May-06	World Bank
Household Survey & Policies Grant	5.1	Jul-06	Ministry of Planning & Development Cooperation
Environment Management Project	5.0	Sep-06	Ministry of Environment
Additional Grant for School Construction in the Marshlands	6.0	Oct-06	Ministry of Education
<b>Total Iraq Trust Fund Projects</b>	<b>410.7</b>		

World Bank IDA Lending Financed Projects	Project Amount (US\$ mln)	Approval Date	Closing Date	Implementing Agency
Third Emergency Education Project	100.0	Nov-05	Jan-09	Ministry of Education
Emergency Road Rehabilitation Project	135.0	Jun-06	Jun-10	Ministry of Construction & Housing / General Directorate for Roads & Bridges of KRG
<b>Total Iraq IDA Lending Approved</b>				

## World Bank Iraq Trust Fund

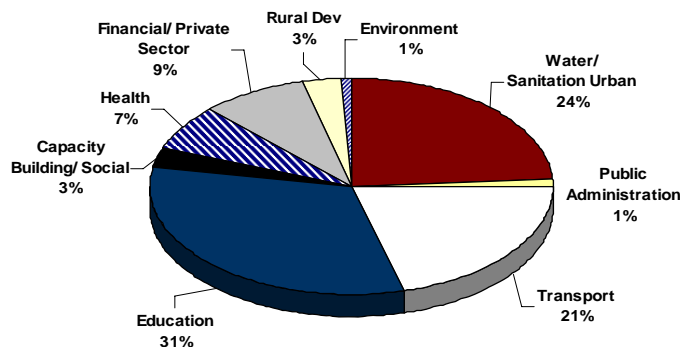
### Donor Pledges, Commitments, and Deposits (in US\$ million)

Donors	Pledges	Commitments	Deposits
Australia	16.4	16.4	16.1
Canada	22.3	22.3	22.3
European Commission	149.8	149.8	149.8
Finland	2.6	2.6	2.6
Iceland	1.0	1.0	1.0
India	5.0	5.0	5.0
Japan	130.0	130.0	130.0
Korea	4.0	4.0	4.0
Kuwait	5.0	5.0	5.0
Netherlands	6.2	6.2	6.2
Norway	6.7	6.7	6.7
Qatar	5.0	5.0	2.5
Spain	20.0	20.0	20.0
Sweden	5.4	5.4	5.8
Turkey	1.0	1.0	1.0
United Kingdom	71.4	71.4	71.4
United States	5.0	5.0	5.0
<b>Total Iraq Trust Fund</b>	<b>456.8</b>	<b>456.8</b>	<b>454.4</b>

Nb : US\$ equivalency estimated for pledges and commitments. Deposits reflect actual conversion rate.

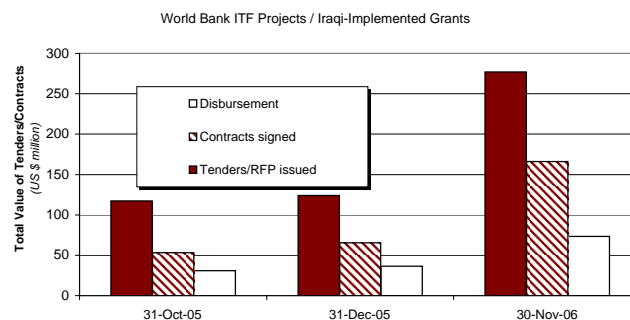
## Active World Bank Iraq Program (Including ITF and IDA-financed Projects)

### Sectoral Distribution of Projects Funded



## Disbursements and Status of Contracting

The pace of contracting has accelerated significantly. About 69% of the value of Iraqi-implemented grants have been tendered or contracted (US\$277 million). The value of signed contracts has more than doubled since January 2006 and now totals US\$166 million.



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## Implementation Status of Projects as of November 30, 2006

## ITF Financed Projects Under Implementation

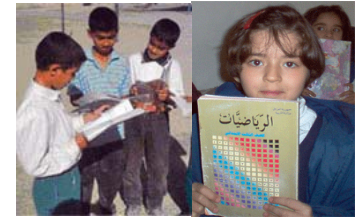
**Emergency Textbook Provision Project** (ITF-US\$40 million)

Approved May 2004

**Description:** The objective of the project is to improve the conditions of learning and teaching through the provision of school textbooks to students in Iraq's primary and secondary schools. **Geographic Coverage:** Nationwide (18 governorates)

**Status:** The project financed over 82 million textbooks: 79 million textbooks benefiting 6 million students in 2004-05 plus an additional 13.5 million textbooks for 2005-06, which were financed by cost savings that resulted from competitive procurement. The project built the capacity of the Ministry of Education to undertake competitive procurement procedures. The project has achieved its objective and is scheduled to close in December 2006.

**Ministry of Education / Contracted to-date: \$39.1m / Disbursed to-date: \$38.6 m**



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**Emergency School Construction and Rehabilitation Project** (ITF-US\$60 million).

Approved Oct. 2004

**Description:** The project aims to improve learning conditions in primary and secondary schools through the construction of 117 new schools and major rehabilitation of 134 schools. The project benefits over 100,000 families with children attending unsafe or overcrowded schools and will create thousands of jobs through use of Iraqi construction firms.

**Geographic Coverage:** Nationwide (18 governorates)

**Status:** Major rehabilitation of 134 schools is complete and 11 contracts for constructing 32 new schools were awarded so far. First civil works for new schools started last month. (Halabja region)

**Ministry of Education / Contracted to-date: \$20.2 m / Disbursed to-date: \$7.2 m**



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**Second Capacity Building Project** (ITF-US\$7 million)

Approved Nov. 2004

**Description:** The project follows up on the First Capacity Building project to help the authorities tackle medium-term policies, focusing on economic management, public sector management, and social safety nets.

**Status:** The project follows up the first capacity building project to help the authorities tackle medium-term policies, focusing on economic management, public sector management, and social safety nets. So far, more than 45 workshops have trained about 841 participants. On November 12-13, 2006, the first Procurement Workshop to target exclusively Iraqi private firms was held.

**Implemented by the World Bank / Contracted to-date: \$2.7m / Disbursed to-date: \$2.7 m**



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**Emergency Health and Rehabilitation Project** (ITF-US\$25 million).

Approved Nov. 2004

**Description:** The objective of the project is to improve access to quality emergency services in 11 selected hospitals, and provides 12 hospitals with basic medical and laboratory equipment and essential drugs. **Geographic Coverage:** Baghdad, Diyala, Kirkuk, Missan, Karbala, Anbar, Salah Deen, Erbil, Sulaimanyah.

**Status:** Civil works to rehabilitate and extend 6 hospitals in Missan, Salah El Din, Erbil, Anbar, south Baghdad and Kirkuk started in June 2006. Contracts to rehabilitate hospitals in Baghdad, Karbala and Diyala are expected to be signed in 2006. Also, 25 doctors were trained in Emergency Preparedness and Response (August 2006).

**Ministry of Health / Contracted to-date: \$8.1 m / Disbursed to-date: \$1.9 m**



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**First Private Sector Development Project** (ITF-US\$55 million).

Approved Nov. 2004

**Description:** The project aims to lay the foundation for increasing investment and economic growth by addressing selected priorities in institutional capacity building and essential communications infrastructure (through the installation of a high-capacity national telecommunications network) to help foster the development of the private and financial sectors.

**Geographic Coverage:** Communication infrastructure: Baghdad, the North, South and West regions. PSD components: nationwide.

**Status:** The contract to supply and install a high-capacity national telecommunications network (US\$38 million) was awarded last July. Procurement for consultancy services for institutional capacity building is in the final stages, and includes feasibility studies for industrial estates in Erbil and Basra.

**Minister of Planning & Development Cooperation and Iraqi Telecommunications and Post Company / Contracted to-date: \$39 m / Disbursed to-date: \$4.2 m**

**Emergency Baghdad Water and Sanitation Project** (ITF-US\$65 million)

Approved Dec. 2004

**Description:** The principal objective of the project is to assist in restoring basic water supply and sanitation services for the capital city of Baghdad through: (a) the reconstruction and rehabilitation of existing priority networks and treatment facilities; and (b) providing capacity building support through training and technical assistance.

**Status:** The mayoralty has contracted local and international consultants to prepare tender documents and detailed designs for the construction phase—it has signed contracts for US\$8.5 million of goods and works. Also, it has recruited a team of advisors to help prepare and implement a Baghdad Comprehensive City Development Plan.

**Municipality of Baghdad / Contracted to-date: \$9.6m / Disbursed to-date: \$1.2 m**



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**Emergency Water Supply & Sanitation & Urban Development Project** (ITF-US\$90 million)

Approved Dec. 2004

**Description:** The project finances high-impact water supply and sanitation rehabilitation in 9 cities and urban reconstruction in the poorest areas of 3 cities, benefiting over 2 million people. It also provides capacity building support through training and technical assistance. The project will create substantial employment - estimated at a minimum of 3,000 jobs. **Geographic Coverage:** 9 cities: Karbala, Majar, Beji, Kena'an, Dohuk, Al Hussainia, Al-Samawa, Badawa & Dukan.

**Status:** Works amounting to US\$27 million are in progress for the rehabilitation and upgrading of the water supply system in Badawa (Erbil). Five other construction contracts of about US\$60 million are expected to start before the end of 2006. The ministry has also completed a nationwide water and wastewater survey.

**Min. of Municipalities & Public Works / Contracted to-date: \$30 m / Disbursed to-date: \$4.7 m**



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## ITF Financed Projects Under Implementation (continued)

**Emergency Community Infrastructure Rehabilitation Project** (ITF-US\$20 million) **Approved Dec. 2004**

**Description:** The project aims to address emergency needs for rural infrastructure rehabilitation and generate employment. The project finances labor-intensive, small-scale civil works programs for 22 subprojects, creating over 240,000 mandays of employment, improving over 80,000 hectares of irrigated land, and benefiting over 130,000 farmers.

**Geographic Coverage:** Al Muthanna, Al Amara, Nassariyah, & Sulaymaniyah. Also : Rumitha, Najaf, Karbala, Babel, Waaset, Baghdad, Diyala, Kerkook and Erbil.

**Status:** Thirteen subprojects amounting to US\$9 million are completed in eight governorates, creating an estimated 110,000 mandays of employment, improving 25,000 hectares of irrigated areas, and benefiting 35,000 farmers. Nine subprojects are underway (completion rates averaging 70%); three additional subprojects in Baghdad, Najaf and Diwaniyah are scheduled to be complete early in 2007.

**Ministry of Water Resources / Contracted to-date: \$17 m / Disbursed to-date: \$9.8 m**



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**Emergency Disabilities Project** (ITF-US\$19.5 million). **Approved Nov. 2005**

**Description:** The objective of the project is to improve services to the disabled by developing a comprehensive policy and legal framework for disabilities, strengthening government-NGO partnerships, and reconstructing 14 rehabilitation centers. **Geographic Coverage:** Nationwide.

**Status:** Eleven civil works design and supervision contracts have been awarded. Construction should start in April 2007. A delegation of Iraqis participated in a study tour in Bosnia and Herzegovina to visit modern rehabilitation centers, attend prosthetics workshops, and gain experience in managing disabilities in a post-conflict situation (Sep. 2006)

**Ministry of Health / Contracted to-date: \$2.6 m / Disbursed to-date: \$0.1 m**



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**Emergency Household Survey & Policies Grant** (ITF-US\$5.1 million) **Approved Jul 2006**

**Description:** The project aims to strengthen Iraq's ability to establish a poverty line, target social assistance to the neediest, and make informed policy decisions. The project finances a comprehensive household survey, data analysis, and poverty and social impact assessments. **Geographic Coverage:** Nationwide.

**Status:** Fieldwork is underway in all 18 governorates, initiating the first nation-wide household expenditure survey in Iraq since 1998.

**Ministry of Planning/ Center of Statistics & KRG Statistics Unit./ Contracted to-date: \$0.2 m / Disbursed to-date: \$0.2 m**

**Household Survey & Policies Technical Assistance** (ITF-US\$1.5 million) **Approved May 2006**

**Description:** Provides the technical support needed for Iraq to undertake modern data collection and analysis for the companion grant.

**Implemented by the World Bank / Contracted to-date: \$0.2 m / Disbursed to-date: \$0.5 m**

**Emergency Social Protection Project** (ITF-US\$8 million) **Approved June 2006**

**Description:** The project aims to strengthen Iraq's capacity to develop equitable and sustainable social safety net and pensions programs to better assist poor and vulnerable populations. The project will finance the implementation of modern management and information systems, improve the targeting of safety nets and reduce leakages, thereby increasing the benefits that reach the poor. **Geographic Coverage:** Nationwide.

**Status:** On September 10-19, 2006 the project launch workshop was held in Cairo to ensure understanding about the project components and implementation arrangements. Also, tenders for the purchase of IT equipment worth US\$1 million were issued.

**Ministry of Labor & Social Affairs/ Contracted to-date: \$0.1 m**

**Emergency Environment Management Project** (ITF-US\$5 million) **WB Approval : Sept 2006**

**Description:** The project aims to strengthen key institutional and regulatory functions of the Ministry of Environment to enable the Ministry to undertake policy analysis, formulate laws and regulations, monitor environmental quality, promote environmental awareness, and conduct technical studies. **Geographic Coverage:** Nationwide (with specific areas of concentration for some of the components).

**Ministry of Environment**

**Marshland Schools Construction Project** (ITF-US\$6 million) **Approved Oct 2006**

**Description:** The project provides additional funding for the Emergency School Construction and Rehabilitation Project, to finance new school construction of approximately 30 small schools in the marshlands area of Basra, Nasiriyah and Missan. The project would benefit 6,000 – 8,000 children and help stabilize the resettlement of about 30 communities in existing villages. **Geographic Coverage:** Basra, Nasiriyah and Missan.

**Ministry of Education**

## ITF Financed Projects Completed

**First Institutional Capacity Building Project** (ITF-US\$3.6 million) **Approved Feb. 2004**

**Description:** The project aimed to build the capacity of the Iraqi authorities, to pave the way for emergency projects. The European Commission's Rapid Response Mechanism provided €3 million to the ITF for a six-month implementation period. The project closed in August 2004.

**Status:** The project enabled Iraqi officials to design and implement projects and develop sector strategies. The project financed over 20 seminars, training about 600 Iraqi officials from 19 ministries, the Central Bank, universities and the private sector. Workshops addressed key topics, including project management, financial management, procurement, environmental and social safeguards, macroeconomic reform, private and financial sector development, as well as specific topics in education, health, and infrastructure.

**Implemented by the World Bank / Disbursed amount : \$2.5 m**

**Closed Aug. 2004**



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## IDA Projects

**Third Emergency Education Project** (IDA US\$100 million) **Approved Nov 2005**

**Description:** The project aims to help Iraq alleviate school overcrowding and lay the groundwork for educational reform. The project finances the construction of about 82 new primary and secondary schools in 15 governorates, directly benefiting about 57,000 students. The project will introduce new design standards, help Iraq implement a national school construction and maintenance program, and finance a comprehensive program to support educational system reform.

**Status:** Project not yet effective.

**Ministry of Education**

**Emergency Road Rehabilitation Project** (IDA US\$135 million) **Approved June 2006**

**Description:** In central and southern Iraq, the project will rehabilitate and reconstruct highways and village access roads, and replace about three floating bridges with permanent structures. **Geographic Coverage:** Nationwide (18 Governorates)

**Status:** Project not yet effective.

**Min. of Construction & Housing/KRG Directorate for Roads & Bridges**

## Available Economic and Sector Reports

**Rebuilding Iraq: Economic Reform and Transition** (February 2006)

This report focuses on the cross-cutting issues at the heart of Iraq's transition, including the immediate challenges of reviving the economy and creating jobs, rebuilding public services responsive to citizens' needs, and strengthening safety nets to protect the poor and vulnerable. It also addresses some overarching issues in public sector governance, particularly the management of oil revenues, the realignment of economic incentives and prices, the reform of human resource management, and the implementation of anticorruption efforts.

**Pensions in Iraq: Issues, General Guidelines for Reform, and Potential Fiscal Implications** (June 2005)

The reform proposal developed in this report can control the accumulation of new implicit pension debt while providing a mechanism to finance part of the pension liability of the old system. This is done by closing the old pension systems, enrolling current and new members into a new system that is financially self-sustainable, and investing the initial surplus of the new system in government debt. In the absence of reform, the current system would continue to generate ever growing deficits, and therefore demand ever growing transfers from the government. These are inequitable since they would benefit only a minority of the population: workers in the formal sector of the economy, in their large majority civil servants and the military.

**Considering the Future of the Iraqi Public Distribution System** (June 2005)

The action plan recommended in the report could generate considerable savings in the PDS budget. In short term, significant gains could be made by improving procurement and financial management practices, thereby reducing losses due to waste, theft and corruption. In the medium term, budgetary gains will come from improved targeting and enhanced efficiency resulting from more extensive reliance on the private sector.

**Building a Sustainable Investment Climate in Iraq** (September 2004)

The note examines and emphasizes the need for private investment from both Iraqi and foreign services to generate growing and sustained employment. Further, assessing Iraq's significant institutional and capacity shortcomings in the private sector, the note details a strategy, based on the Bank's global experience, for laying the necessary institutional foundations for a strong and growing private sector.

**State-Owned Enterprise Reform in Iraq** (July 2004)

This paper concentrates on the choices to be made in designing a framework for a legal and regulatory framework for privatization so that, once the security situation is under control and elected authorities are in office, SOE reforms can proceed effectively and at a pace commensurate with Iraq's urgent need for change.

**Leveraging WTO Accession to Design Strategy of Economic Reforms for New Iraq** (September 2004)

The note proposes leveraging the WTO strategy to design strategy of structural reforms and drawing on the experience of recent entrants to the European Union to design institutional setting for the development and implementation of the strategy. The note only outlines the issues that might be addressed in the development of such a strategy.

Other documents available:

Project documents (including procurement plans) for project under implementation

Project Information Documents and Integrated Safeguard Datasheet for Projects under preparation

Iraq - Economic Data	2003	2004e	2005e	2006p
GDP (US\$ million)	12,602	25,706	34,541	48,513
Real GDP Growth (annual %)	-41.4	46.5	3.7	3.0
GDP per capita (current US\$)	479	947	1,237	1,687
Consumer Price Index (% change)	34.0	31.7	35.8	50.0
Exchange Rate (ID/US\$) (annual average)	1957	1455	1474	1427
Crude Oil Production ('000 barrels/day)	1,330	2,014	1,844	2,000
Crude Oil Exports ('000 barrels/day)	900	1,522	1,384	1,400
Labor Force Participation (% of Working Age Population)			49	

Note: (e) estimates (p) projections

Iraq - Human Development Indicators	
Population, mid-2006 estimate	28.7 million
Population growth	2.80%
Life expectancy at birth, 2002	61 years
Infant Mortality (per 1,000 live births), 2002	115
Child malnutrition, 2004	12 % of children under five
Literacy (age 15 and above), 2004	65 % of population
Access to an improved water source, 2004	61 % of population

## Millennium goals and indicators for Iraq

Source : Iraq Economic Data sheet (WB MNSD)

progress made

progress needed to achieve the goal

