







IRAQ: INDICATORS OF HUMAN NEED

Key Indicators:

-  **Child malnutrition**
-  **High unemployment**
 - The countrywide unemployment rate is over 60%^a
-  **Lack of access to basic necessities**
 - Prices of basic necessities rose 70% between July 2005 and July 2006.^a
 - Only 32% of Iraqis have access to clean drinking water.^b
-  **Extreme poverty and hunger**
 - As of October almost 5.6 million Iraqis are living in poverty, 2.3 million in absolute poverty.^a
-  **Lack of health care and high health care costs**
 - The US planned to complete 180 health clinics by the end of 2005. By March 2006 only 4 had been completed.^b
-  **Internal displacement**
 - Each week 9,000 Iraqis are driven from their homes. Many then live without sufficient shelter, food, water, or employment opportunities.^c

**IRAQIS ARE REGULARLY DENIED ACCESS
TO BASIC HUMAN NEEDS AS A
RESULT OF THE US OCCUPATION.**

a. IRIN; October 17, 2006

b. Medact; March 2006

c. Agence France Presse, Geneva; October 3, 2006