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Iraq: Map Sources

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Summary

This report identifies selected Web sites for maps of Iraq. Selected government, library, and organizational Web site addresses are provided. Maps of the Middle East, Iraq, the No-Fly Zone, and Facilities Used by U.S. Forces in the Gulf are also provided. This report will be updated as needed.

Map Sources

Basic static maps of Iraq and the Middle East region are provided below. The maps from the British Broadcasting Corporation (BBC), Cable News Network (CNN), and Relief Web are subject to change.

The Geography Network [<http://www.geographynetwork.com/maps/gateway.html>] is a global network of geographic information users and providers, which provides static maps and dynamic map files that can be downloaded. In both categories, there are free maps and maps requiring a fee. Additional maps covering social and economic conditions can be found at the World Bank Group Maps Web site at [<http://nebula.worldbank.org/Website/index.htm>]. Other map sources include the following.

Conflict with Iraq: Key Maps

[http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/shared/spl/hi/middle_east/02/iraq_key_maps/html/iraq.stm]

This Web site is a product of the BBC. Key maps are presented on “Military build up,” “UK forces,” “Iraqi bases,” “Iraqi missile range,” “Dissident areas,” “Iraqi oilfields,” “Baghdad,” “Weapons sites,” and “Presidential palaces.”

Special Report Showdown: Iraq

[<http://www.cnn.com/SPECIALS/2002/iraq/>]

This CNN Web site offers maps on suspected Iraq biological, chemical, and nuclear facilities, potential bases for coalition operations, and general maps on Iraq. Maps include the following:

“U.S. Military Deployment”

[<http://www.cnn.com/Specials/2002/iraq/deployment.map>]

“Potential bases for coalition operations”

[<http://www.cnn.com/SPECIALS/2002/iraq/bases/index.html>]

“Suspected Iraq Biological Facilities”

[<http://www.cnn.com/interactive/world/0212/map.iraq.bio.sites/content1.html>]

“Suspected Iraq Chemical Facilities”

[<http://sss.cnn.com/interactive/world/0212/map.iraq.chem.sites/content1.html>]

“Suspected Iraq Nuclear Facilities”

[<http://www.cnn.com/interactive/world/0211/map.iraq.nuke.sites/content1.html>]

ReliefWeb

[<http://www.reliefweb.int/w/rwb.nsf>]

This Web site is a project of the United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) and offers information and maps on areas of the world requiring humanitarian relief. Maps of Iraq located on this site, [http://www.reliefweb.int/w/map.nsf/Country?OpenForm&Query=SA_Iraq], include “Iraq Airfields,” “Oil-for-Food in Iraq,” “General Map of Iraq,” “ICRC Water and Sanitation Programme—Iraq 1999-2000,” and other maps of general interest.

Perry-Castaneda Library Map Collection: Iraq Maps

[<http://www.lib.utexas.edu/maps/iraq.html>]

The University of Texas Web site offers a variety of maps, including many maps from the Central Intelligence Agency. It also has many historical maps and provides links to Iraq maps on other web sites.

National Geographic Map Machine

[<http://www.nationalgeographic.com/maps>]

This Web site offers “printer friendly maps” of many countries and provides a wide variety of geographic information on the nations of the world.

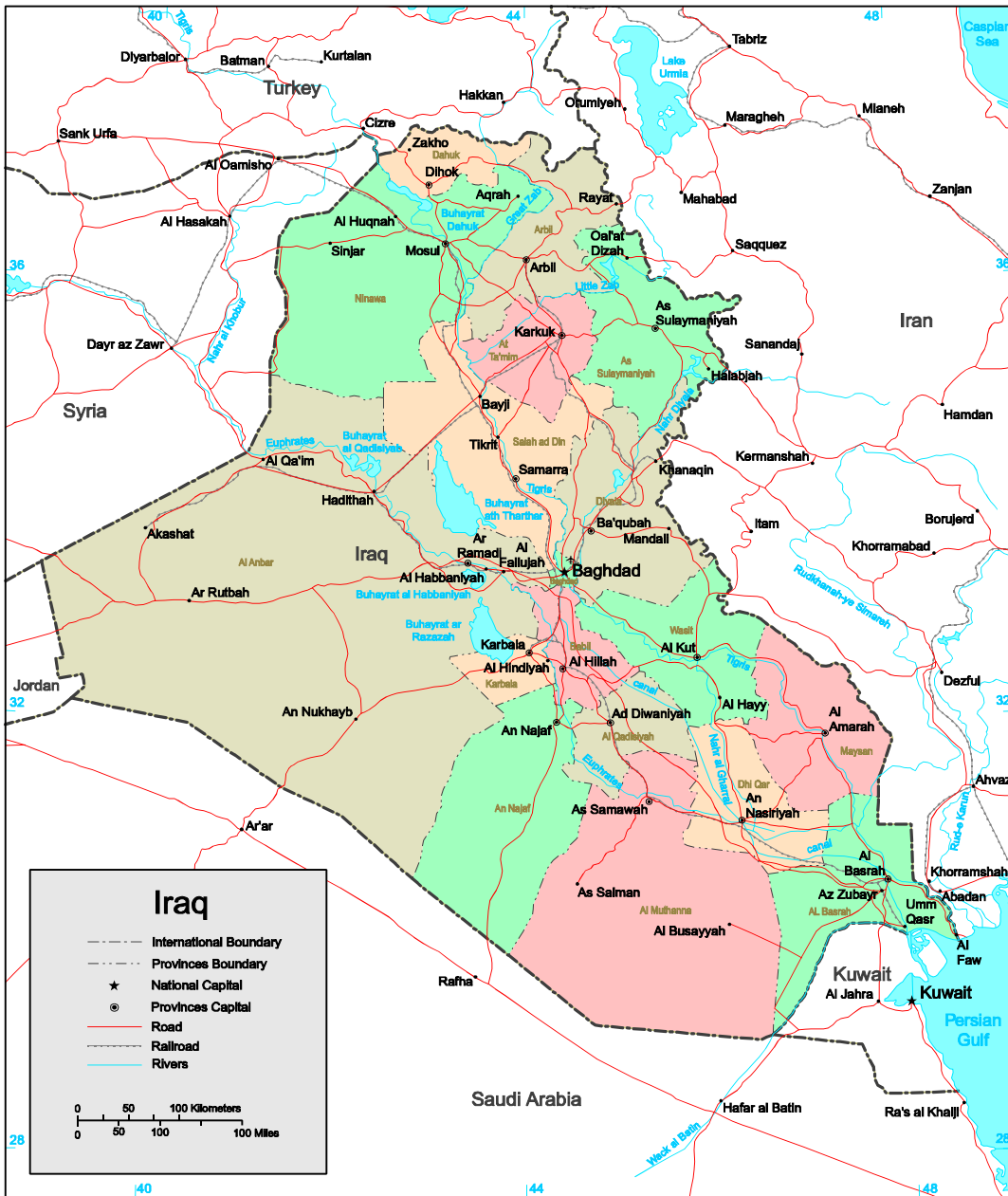
Library of Congress Geography and Map Reading Room Online Map Collections

A limited selection of CIA maps are found at the Geography and Map collections Web site. These are historical collections covering the years 1500-1999. The division’s *Places in the News* [<http://lcweb2.loc.gov/ammem/gmdhtml/plnews.html>] site features a limited number of Iraq maps.

Central Intelligence Agency Maps

[<http://www.cia.gov/cia/publications/mapspub/80.shtml>]

The CIA creates maps of various parts of the world but does not make them available for viewing on the Internet. Purchase information is provided at this site. For the best selection of CIA maps, visit the Perry-Castaneda Library Map Collection site above.



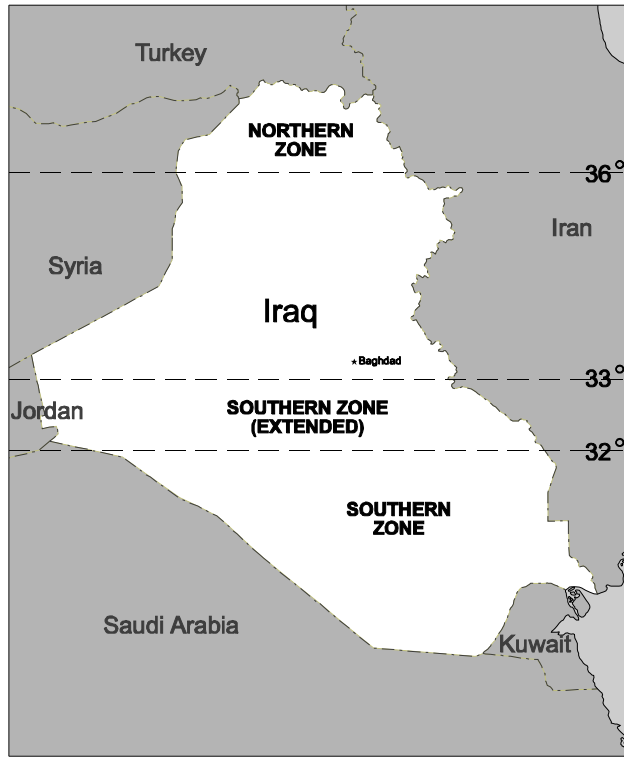
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Map of Iraq



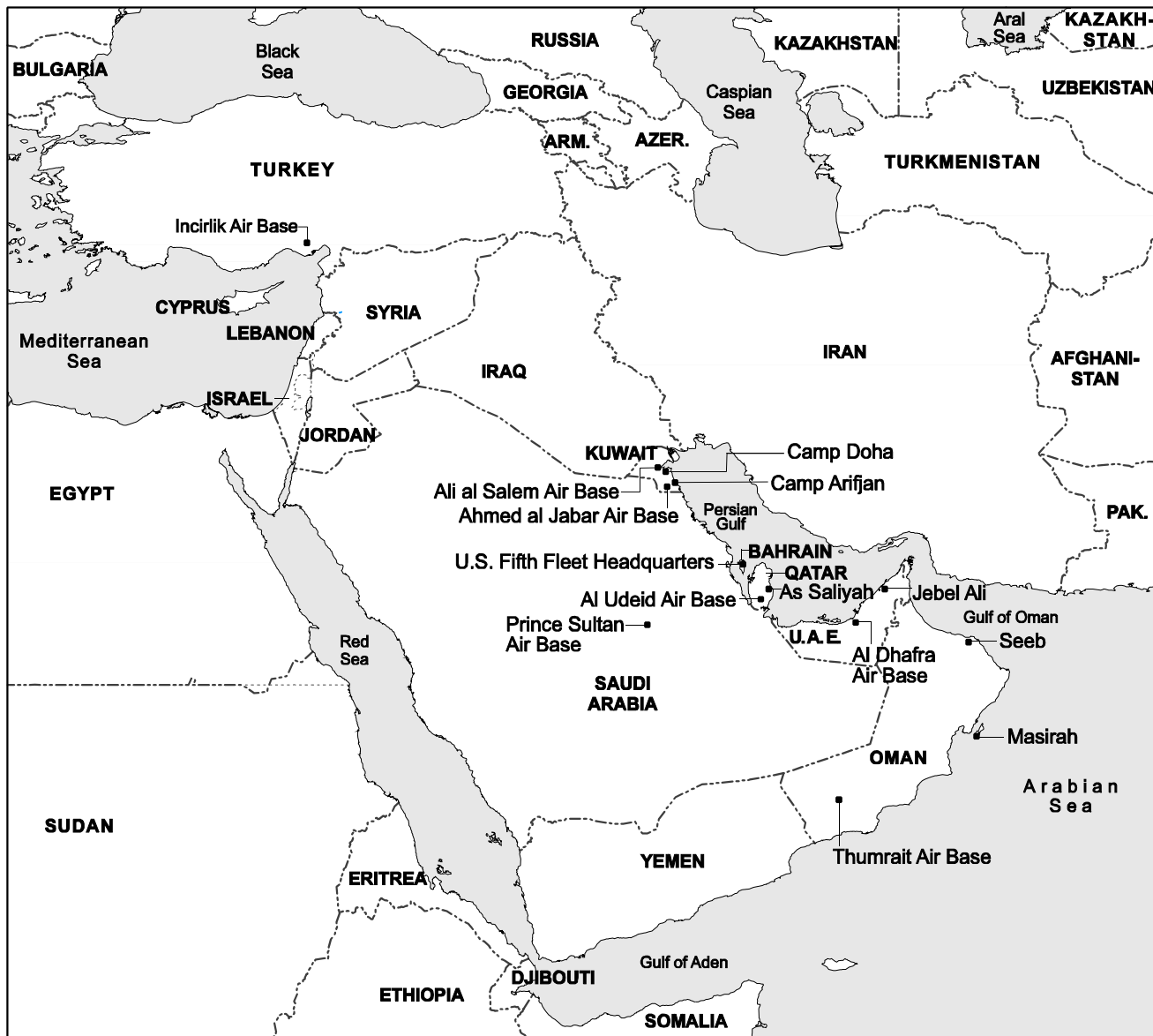
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Map of Middle East



Source: Map Resources. Adapted by CRS. (12/02 M.Chin)

No-Fly Zone



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Facilities Used by U.S. Forces in the Gulf