Mind the Gap: Aid Provision to Iraqi and Syrian Refugees in Jordan
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Research Question:

- Why do provisional gaps in refugee assistance towards Iraqi and Syrian refugees exist?

What are provisional gaps?

- Provisional gaps: the lack of rights and resources inherent to citizens with which the host state is able to grant refugee individuals

Methods:

Actor-Based Analysis

- Governmental Sector (GOJ & Hashemite regime)
- Humanitarian Sector (domestic & international NGOs)

Sources:

- Academic literature, journal articles, interview excerpts from individuals within Jordan’s governmental & humanitarian sectors

Conclusions:

- Inaction from the governmental and humanitarian sectors causes provisional gaps to exist and persist throughout Jordan’s refugee response
- Provisional gaps deter the implementation of more sustainable solutions to Jordan’s refugee crisis

Implications:

- What do provisional gaps mean for the future of protracted refugees in Jordan?