

Government

Summer -- 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Saturday to Wednesday
8:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Thursday
Winter — 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Saturday to Wednesday
8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Thursday

Business Offices and Stores

Summer — 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Saturday to Wednesday
8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Thursday
Winter — 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Saturday to Wednesday
8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Thursday

Banks

Summer — 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon Saturday to Thursday
8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Thursday
Winter — 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Saturday to Thursday
9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon Thursday

Public Holidays

The following is a list of official public holidays in Iraq:

New Year's Day — *January 1*
Army Day — *January 6*
Anniversary of 1963 Revolution — *February 8*
Spring Day — *March 21*
Liberation Day — *April 17*
Labour Day — *May 1*
14 July Revolution Day — *July 14*
National Day — *July 17*
Victory Day — *August 8*

The following are Moslem holidays for 1989. These change from year to year. In 1990, the dates will be approximately 11 days earlier.

Eid al-Fitr (end of Ramadan) — *May 6 (three days)*
Eid al-Adha — *July 13 (four days)*
Muslim New Year — *August 3*
Ashura — *August 12*
Prophet's Birthday — *October 12*

Measures

The metric system is used in Iraq's international trade and generally throughout Iraq. Ancient Iraqi measures, particularly in agriculture, also continue to be used (i.e., one dunum = one meshara = 0.25 hectare).