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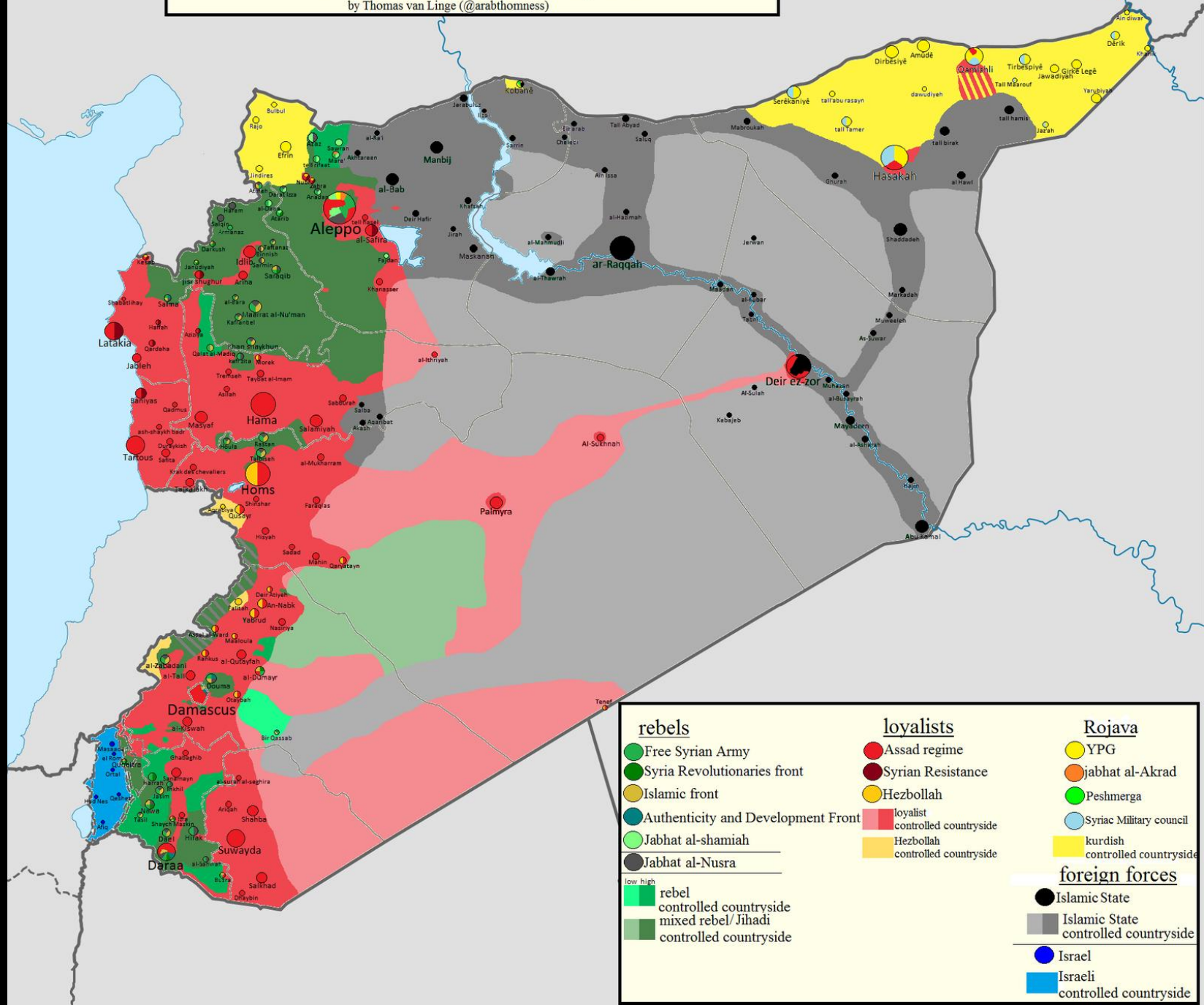
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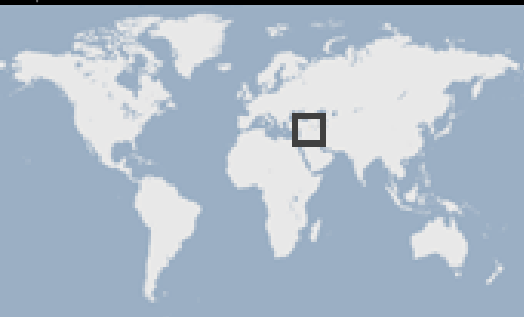
the situation in Syria

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ISIS controlled areas in Iraq



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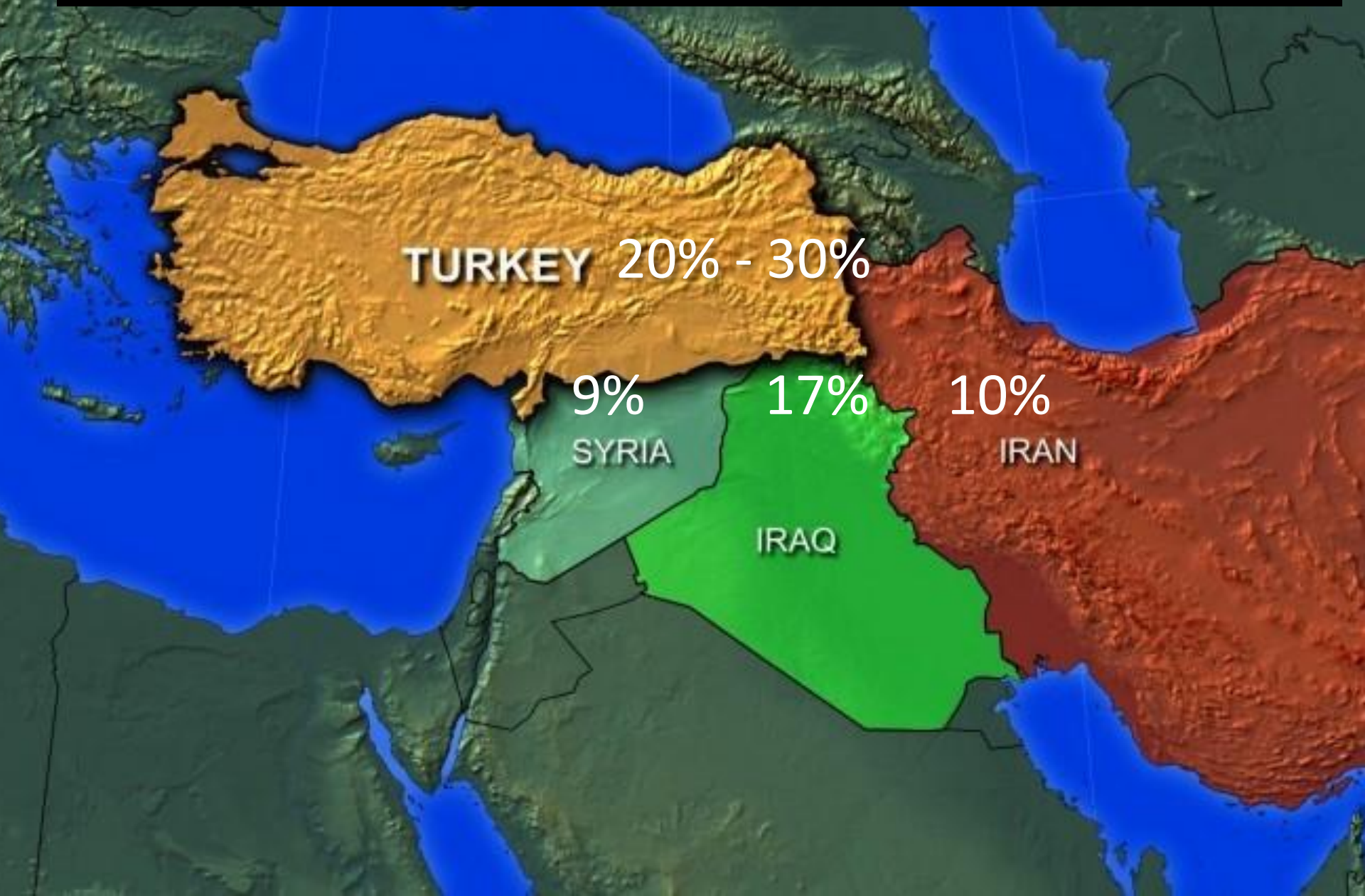
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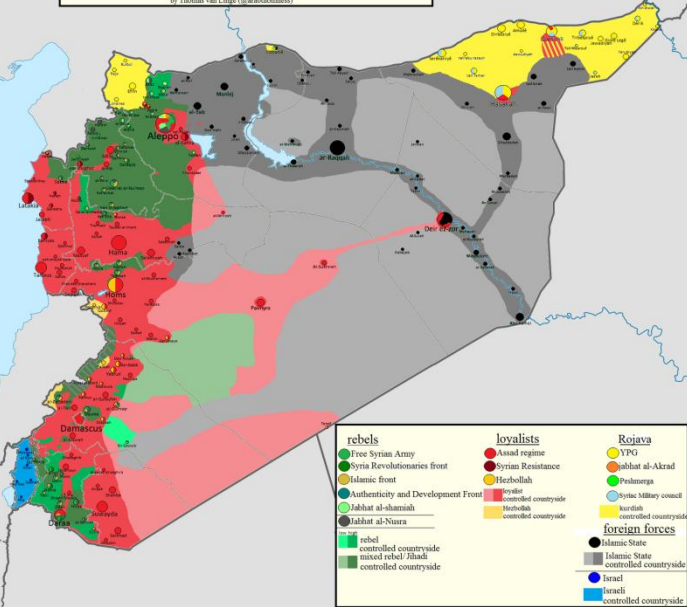
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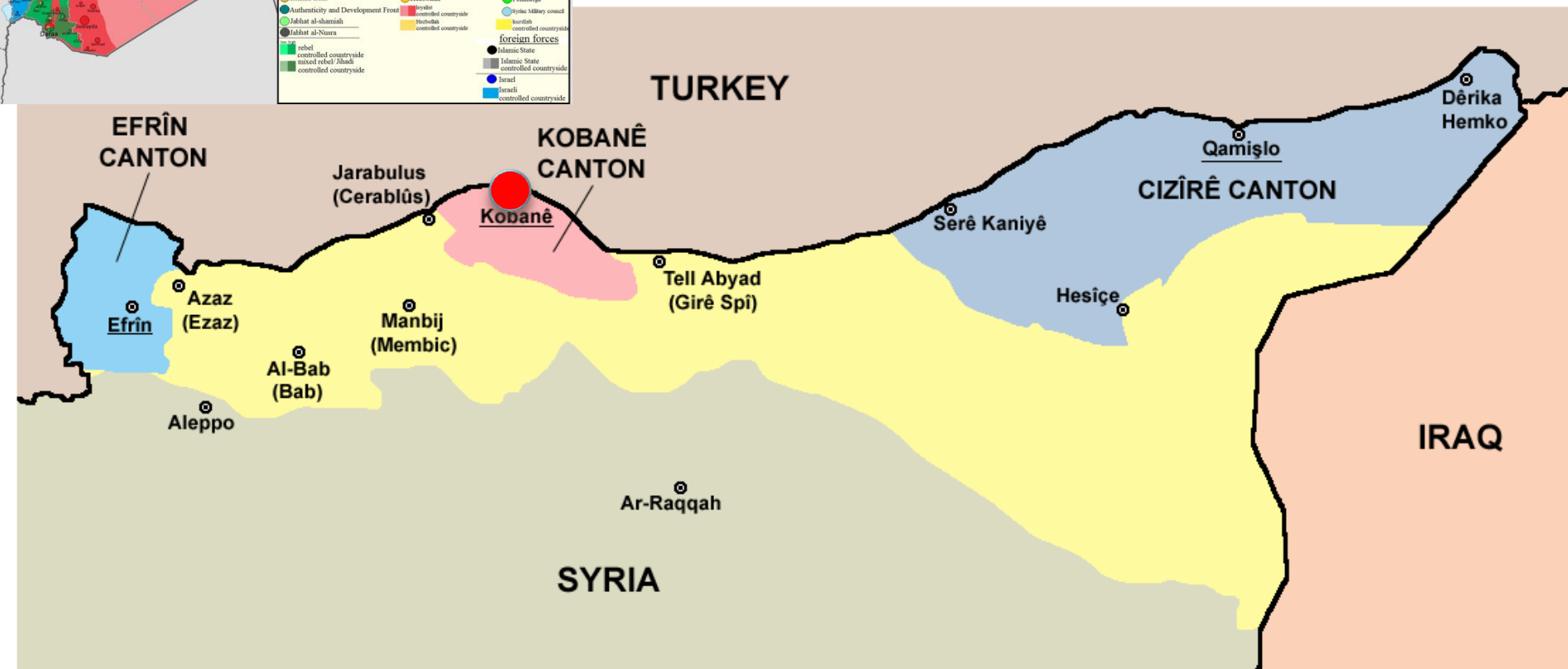


Kurdish as a percentage of total population



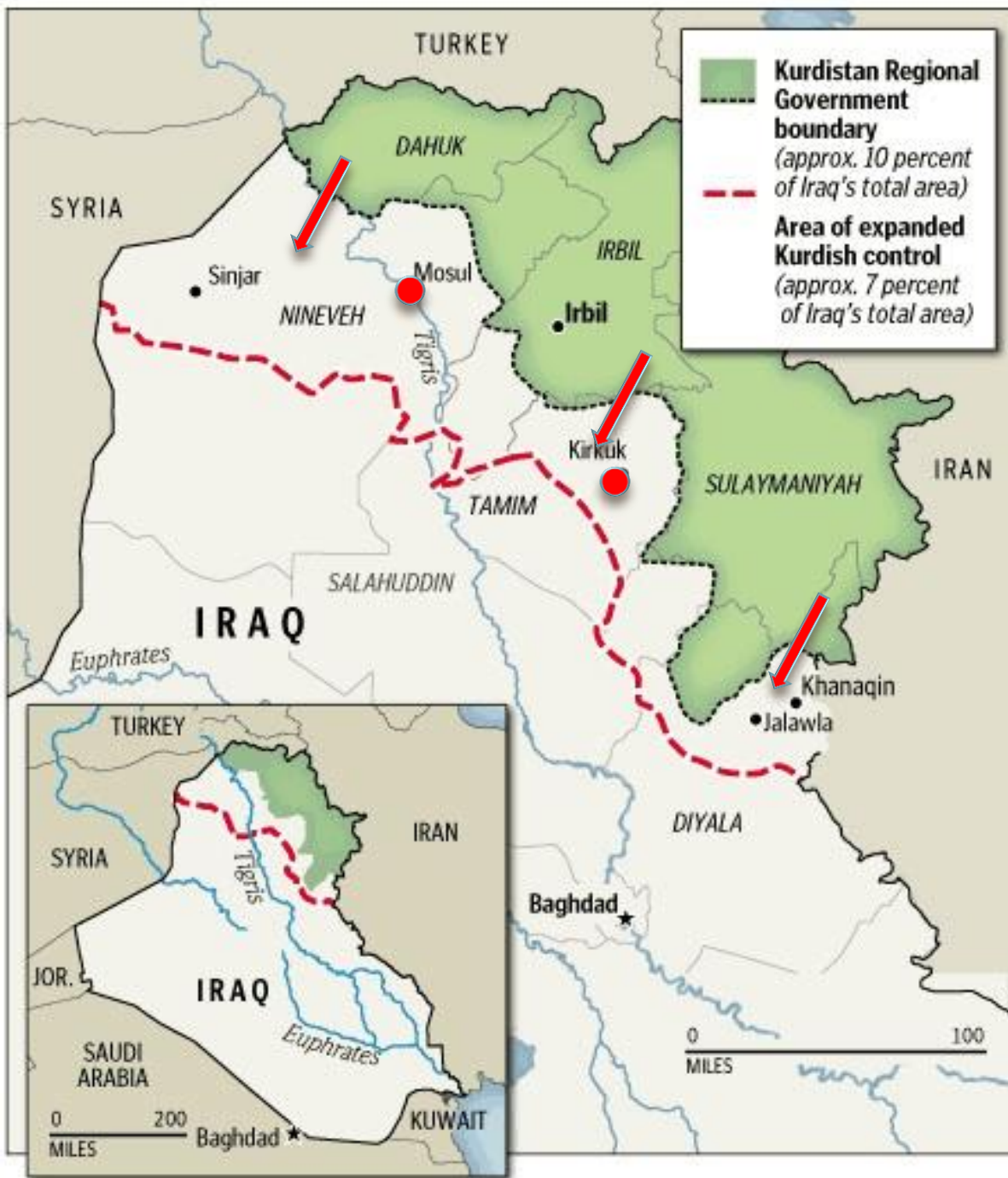


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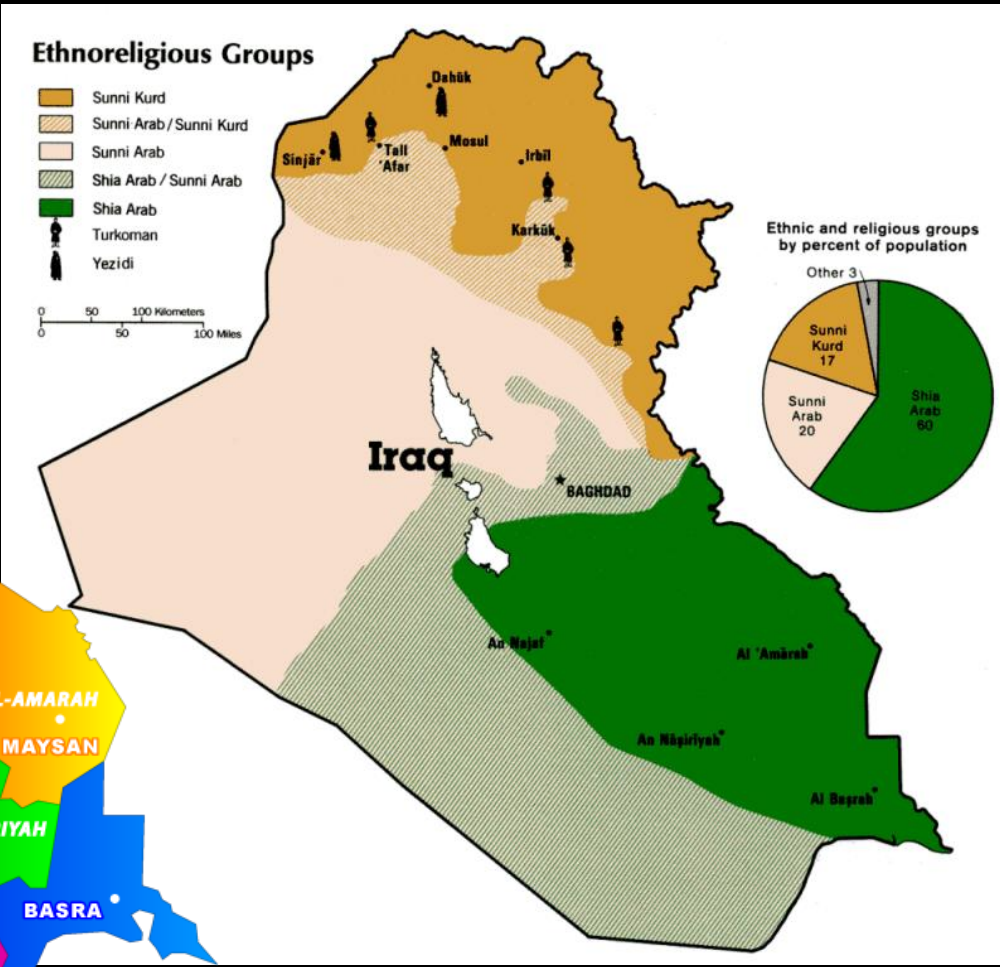
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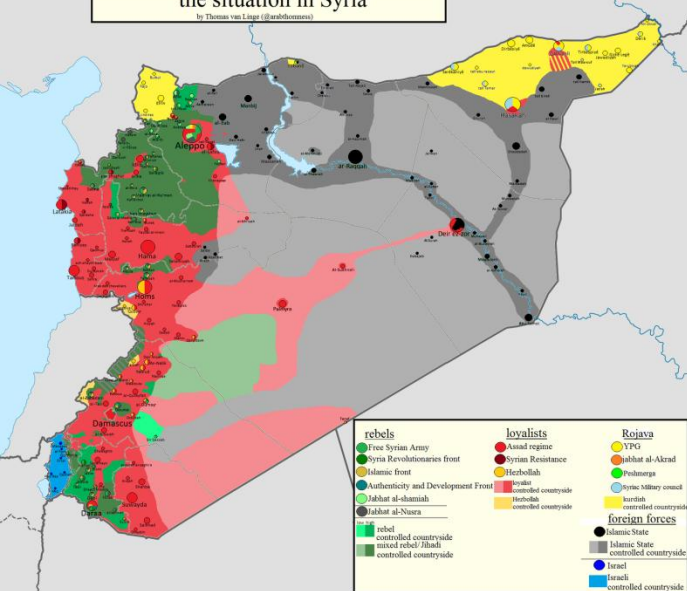




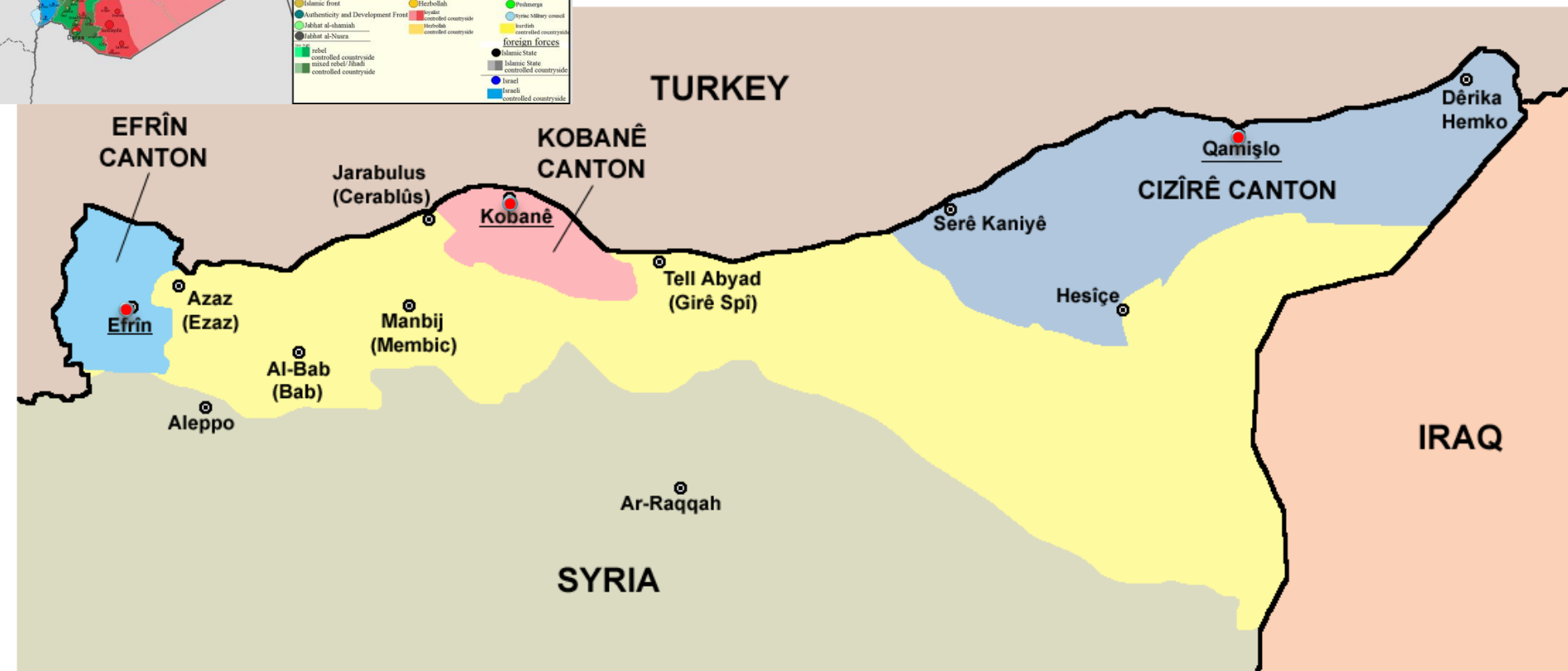
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