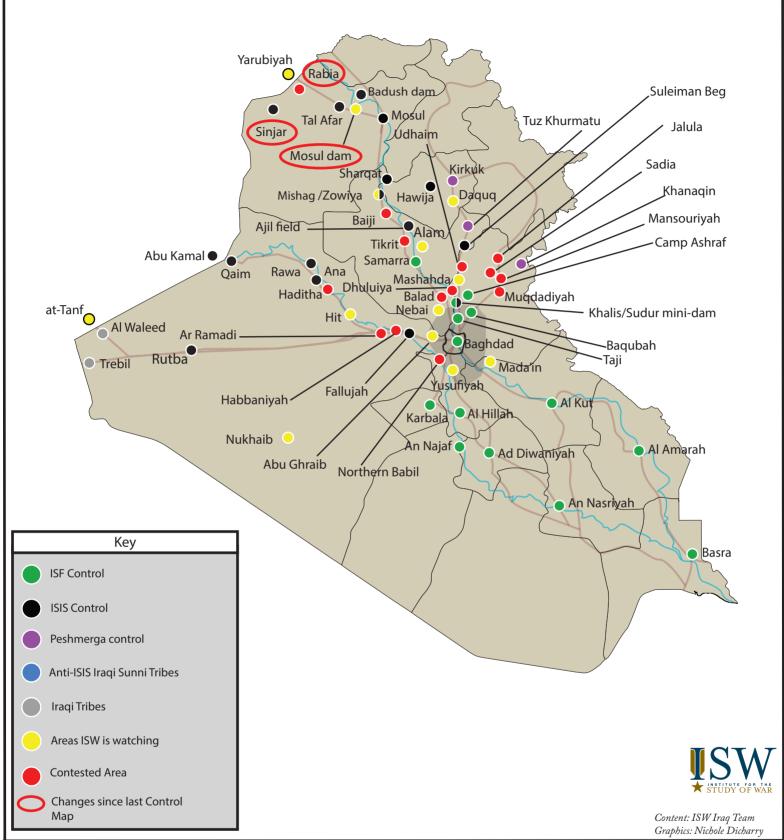
## Control of Terrain in Iraq: August 4, 2014



Changes for August 4 update: 1. There were unconfirmed reports that ISIS took Mosul Dam yesterday. It is unlikely that the Peshmerga would surrender this critical piece of infrastructure, hence the deployment of Peshmerga reinforcements to the dam was reported today. Therefore, ISW is placing a watch on the area of Mosul Dam. 2. Large numbers of Sinjar residents fled to the nearby Sinjar Mountain, while ISIS destroyed Yazidi and Shi'a shrines in Sinjar. Although there were reports indicating that the Peshmerga sent reinforcement to the district, clashes with ISIS were not reported. The use of Iraqi government air power in central and southern Sinjar further indicates that ISIS has control of the area. 3. Along the Iraqi-Syrian border at Rabia, activities of ISIS, Peshmerga, and YPG (People's Protection Unit) were reported. ISW therefore assess the sub-district and the crossing to be contested by the Peshmerga and the YPG on one side and ISIS on the other.