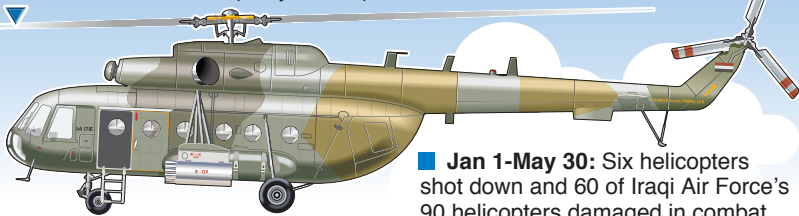


Iraq's Maliki appeals for weapons

Iraq's front-line multi-role helicopters and U.S. supplied Abrams tanks are taking so much punishment that Prime Minister Nuri al-Maliki's government is growing desperate for replacements

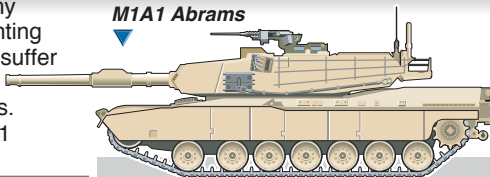
Mil Mi-17 multi-role helicopter (MRH)
Russian-built. Crew: 3. Capacity: 30 troops



■ **Jan 1-May 30:** Six helicopters shot down and 60 of Iraqi Air Force's 90 helicopters damaged in combat

■ **Jan 1-May 30:** 28 Iraqi Army Abrams tanks damaged in fighting with ISIS militants. Five tanks suffer full armour penetration when hit by anti-tank guided missiles. Iraq has 140 refurbished M1A1 Abrams tanks

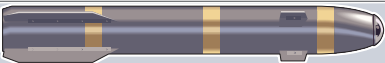
M1A1 Abrams



■ **Jun 18:** ISIS fighters shoot down military helicopter during clashes for control of Baiji oil refinery

■ **Jun 20:** Iraq proposes \$12-million deal to buy up to seven Mi-35M Hind gunships from Czech defence ministry

■ **Jun 26:** Two MRHs crash-land after being hit during army assault on ISIS-held Tikrit



Hellfire: AGM-114 fire-and-forget laser-guided missile

■ **Jun 15:** Iraq exhausts its arsenal of 300 Hellfire missiles, leaving it with no offensive air capability. Iraq asks U.S. for 1,400 more missiles

■ **Jun 16:** Helicopter shot down near city of Fallujah in Anbar province