



COST OF JOURNEY: FLOW MONITORING SURVEYS

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ABOUT DTM'S FLOW MONITORING SURVEYS

This report contains the findings of IOM's Displacement Tracking Matrix (DTM) from surveys conducted from January to November 2016. This research started in October 2015, and is being conducted within the framework of IOM's research on populations on the move through the Western Balkan Route to Europe. This is a summary analysis of surveys that have been carried out by IOM field staff in Greece, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Croatia, Slovenia, Serbia, Hungary, and Bulgaria. The survey gathers information about migrants' profiles, including age, sex, areas of origin, levels of education, key transit points on their route, cost of journey, motives, and intentions.



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FINDINGS IN SUMMARY:

- The majority of respondents of the 5 main nationalities (Syrians, Afghans, Iraqis, Pakistanis and Moroccans) reported the estimated cost of their journey between 1,000 and 5,000 USD per person
- Afghan and Pakistani respondents were more likely to report higher costs of the journey
- Individuals travelling alone were more likely to report a higher estimated cost of the journey. 23% of individuals travelling alone reported the estimated cost of the journey more than 5,000 USD versus 15% of individuals travelling with a group
- 81% of Syrian and Iraqi respondents surveyed in January March and 82% of respondents in April -July reported the estimated cost of their journey from 1,000 to 5,000 USD per person
- The percentage of respondents reporting the estimated cost of their journey between 1,000 and 5,000 USD dropped by 14 percentage points from 76% in January March to 55% in April May. However, the percentage then rose by 7 percentage points from 55% to 62% in August November
- The percentage of respondents reporting the estimated cost of their journey more than 5,000 USD per person has seen a steady rise from 6% in January - March to 22% in August - November for Syrian and Iraqi nationals, and from 17% in January - March to 42% in April - July for Afghan and Pakistani nationals.

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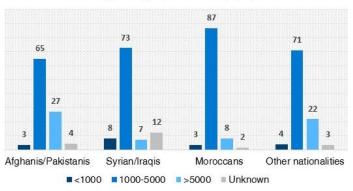


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The majority of respondents of the 5 main nationalities reported the estimated cost of their journey between 1,000 and 5,000 USD per person. Moroccan respondents were more likely than respondents of other top nationalities to report the estimated cost of their journey between 1,000 USD and 5,000 USD. Afghan and Pakistani respondents were more likely to report higher costs of the journey. 27% of Afghan and Pakistani respondents reported the estimated cost of their journey more than 5,000 USD per person as

Esimated cost of journey by nationality (%)



compared to 6% of Moroccans, 7% of Syrian and Iraqi respondents and 22% of respondents of other nationalities.

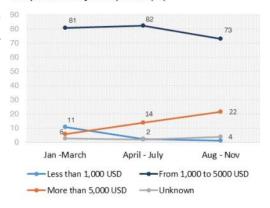
Students were more likely to report higher cost of the journey. 46% of students reported the estimated cost of their journey to be more than 5,000 USD as compared to 27% of employed respondents, 26% of unemployed and 11% of retired respondents.

Moreover, individuals travelling alone were more likely to report the higher estimated cost of the journey. 23% of individuals travelling alone reported the estimated cost of the journey more then 5,000 USD versus 15% of individuals travelling with a group.

Cost of journey by time period: Syrian and Iraqi respondents

81% of respondents surveyed in January - March and 82% of respondents in April - July reported the estimated cost of their journey from 1,000 to 5,000 USD per person. In the survey period of August - November the percentage fell by 9 points to 73%, compared to the previous period. The percentage of respondents reporting the estimated cost of their journey more than 5,000 USD per person has seen a steady rise from 6% in January - March to 22% in August - November.

Cost of journey for Syrian and Iraqi respondents by time period (%)



Cost of journey by time period: Afghan and Pakistani respondents

Percentage of respondents reporting the estimated cost of their journey between 1,000 and 5,000 USD dropped by 14 percentage points from 76% in January—March to 55% in April—May. However, the percentage then rose by 7% from 55% to 62% in August-November. While 17% of Afghan and Pakistani respondents surveyed in January-March reported the estimated cost of their journey more than 5,000 USD, the proportion of respondents increased in the later months to 26% in August-November.

Cost of journey for Afghan and Pakistani respondents by time period (%)

