## **BI-WEEKLY FLOW MONITORING REPORT:** FLOW MONITORING OF UNDOCUMENTED AFGHANS RETURNEES FROM PAKISTAN (08 OCT. TO 21 OCT. 2022)



## **OVERVIEW**

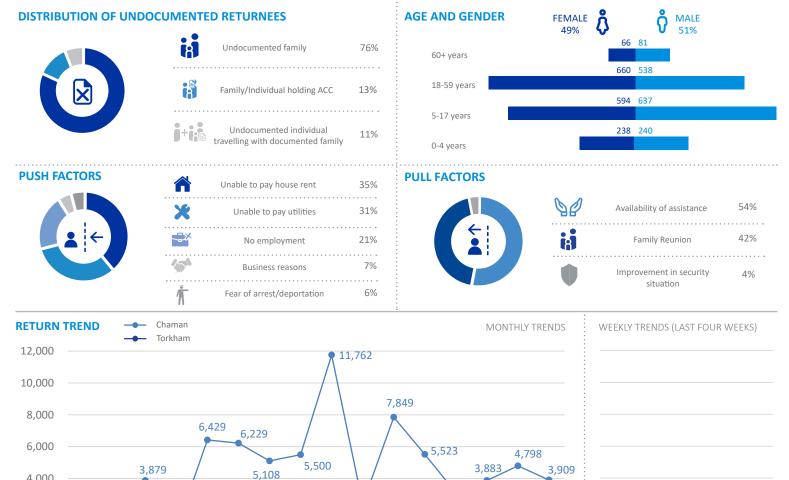
IOM Pakistan collects data on the outflows of undocumented Afghan migrants at the Torkham and Chaman border crossing points in an effort to better understand the migration movements of undocumented Afghan migrants returning to Afghanistan from Pakistan. This exercise is part of the European Union funded project "Displacement Tracking Matrix Regional Evidence for Migration Analysis and Policy (DTM REMAP)".

Between 8 October and 21 October 2022, 3,054 undocumented Afghan migrants spontaneously returned to Afghanistan, including 391 through the Torkham border point and 2,663 through the Chaman border point. Border authorities facilitated the return of 99 individuals due to the lack of legal documentation to remain in Pakistan. Therefore, information concerning these individuals are not included in the count. Although IOM identified 3,054 undocumented Afghan returnees at two border crossings, this may not reflect the total number of undocumented Afghan returnees. Moreover, for this study, only the head of household or representative of the family were interviewed. This means that the number of interviews conducted by the enumerators is lower than the number of returnees recorded by IOM. Between 8 and 21 October 2022, IOM interviewed 197 respondents.

#### **HIGHLIGHTS**

- During the reporting period, 8 per cent of returnees were categorized as vulnerable persons, mainly chronically ill and elderly.
- The primary occupations reported by returnees were: unskilled • labor (60%), skilled labor (25%), business (12%) and salaried job (2%).
- All returnees were carrying household items, cash, personal belongings and productive assets when interviewed. They also travelled with additional items, such as productive assets (91%), transportation or private vehicles (3%) and livestock (1%).
- The average cost of travelling from Pakistan to Afghanistan reported was 32,114 PKR per family.
- The top 3 challenges returnees expected to face in Afghanistan were: arranging for livelihoods, finding income opportunities and settling into a new city.
- The entire mode of transportation, from origin to the border and from the border to their destination, used by the returnees were following: pickup (48%), truck (48%) and bus/rented car (4%).





1,880

Mar

886

Feb

459

Jan

2.417

522

Apr

586

Mav

2022

3,118

947

Jul

1,031

Jun

1,341

Aug

719

Sep

609

Oct\*

1,245	1,246	1,449	1,194
175	218	212	
24 - 30 Sep	1 - 7 Sep	8 - 14 Oct	<b>179</b> 15 - 21 Oct

\*Please note that the number of crossings for October is only until 21 October 2022

Sep

2021

290

80

139

Aug

1.065

Nov

866

Oct

992

Dec

817

4,000

2,000

0

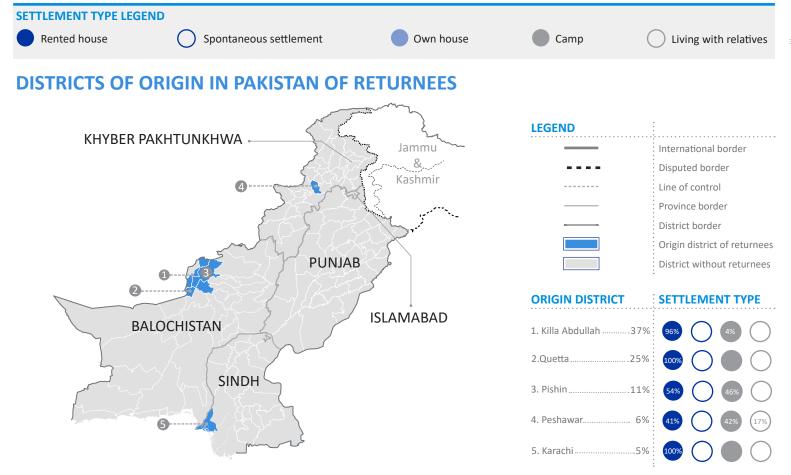
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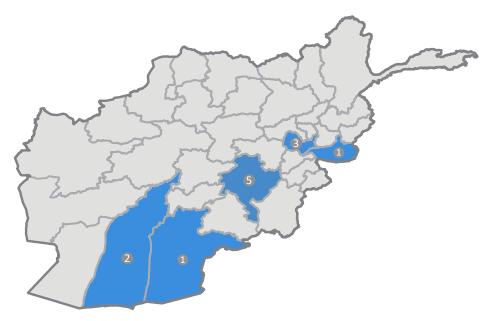


Note:

This map and the following legends focus on the top 5 districts of origin in Pakistan during the reporting period of 8 Oct. to 21 Oct. 2022

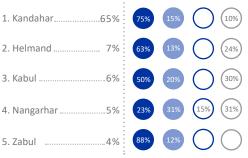
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# **PROVINCES OF INTENDED DESTINATION**



LEGEND
International border
Province border
Province of intended
destination
Other provinces

## INTENDED PROVINCE SETTLEMENT TYPE



This map and the following legends focus on the top 5 provinces of intended destination in Afghanistan during the reporting period of 8 Oct. to 21 Oct. 2022.

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