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# Assisted Afghan Returnees from Pakistan, Iran and other countries

*from 10 May to 16 May 2026*

## Context

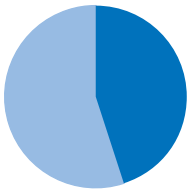
This infographics provides a weekly update on UNHCR-assisted Afghan nationals returning from Pakistan, Iran, Tajikistan and other countries. It details both **voluntary repatriation** as well as **other returns**. It categorizes the total numbers of returns by age, gender and documentation type, offering a clear demographic snapshot. Additionally, the infographic traces the flow of returnees from January to present, highlighting trends and changes over time. This visual representation serves as a vital tool for understanding the dynamics of Afghan nationals return, aiding stakeholders in making informed decisions and assessments regarding their integration and support.

## Key figures

**13,500** from 10 May - 17 May 2026

56%

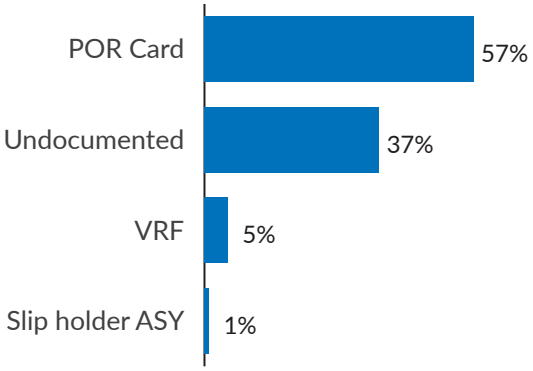
44%



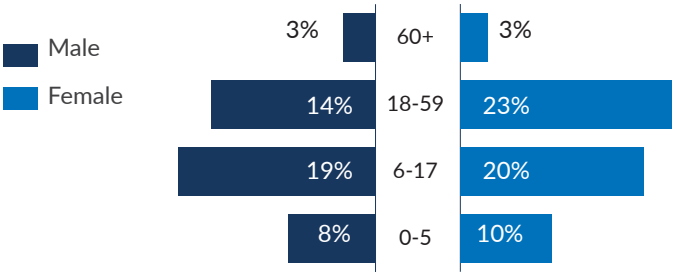

**56%** of returnees are minors (below 18)

**39%** of returnee households are female-headed

## Assisted Returnees by documentation type




## Assisted Returnees Demographics



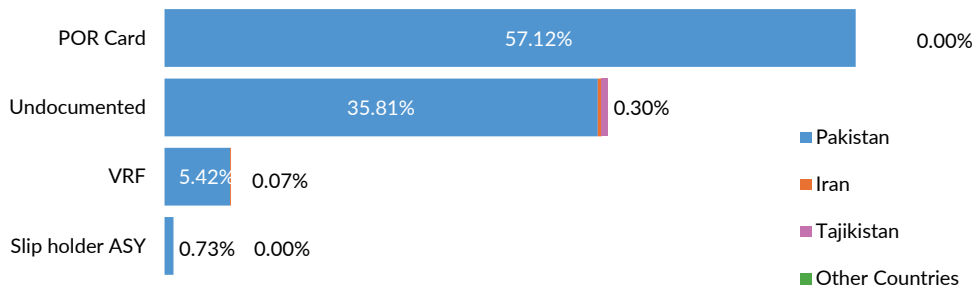

**82%** of the assisted are **women & children**

**56%** of the returnees are **women**

## Gender breakdown of returnees assisted through CBI.

| Return category | Male | Female | Total |
|---|---|---|---|
| POR Card | 3,370 | 4,203 | 7,573 |
| Undocumented | 2,093 | 2,767 | 4,860 |
| VRF | 312 | 416 | 728 |
| Slip holder ASY | 48 | 49 | 97 |
| **Grand Total** | **5,823** | **7,435** | **13,258** |

## Returned by documentation and country of asylum



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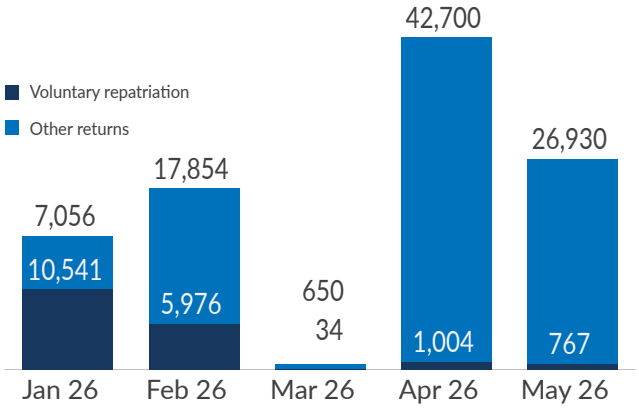
## Assistance provided to returnees

Since 15 September 2023 : **911,751**

Since 1 January 2026: **129,230**

*The assistance includes CBI, Transportation, Core Relief Items and Hot-Meals.*

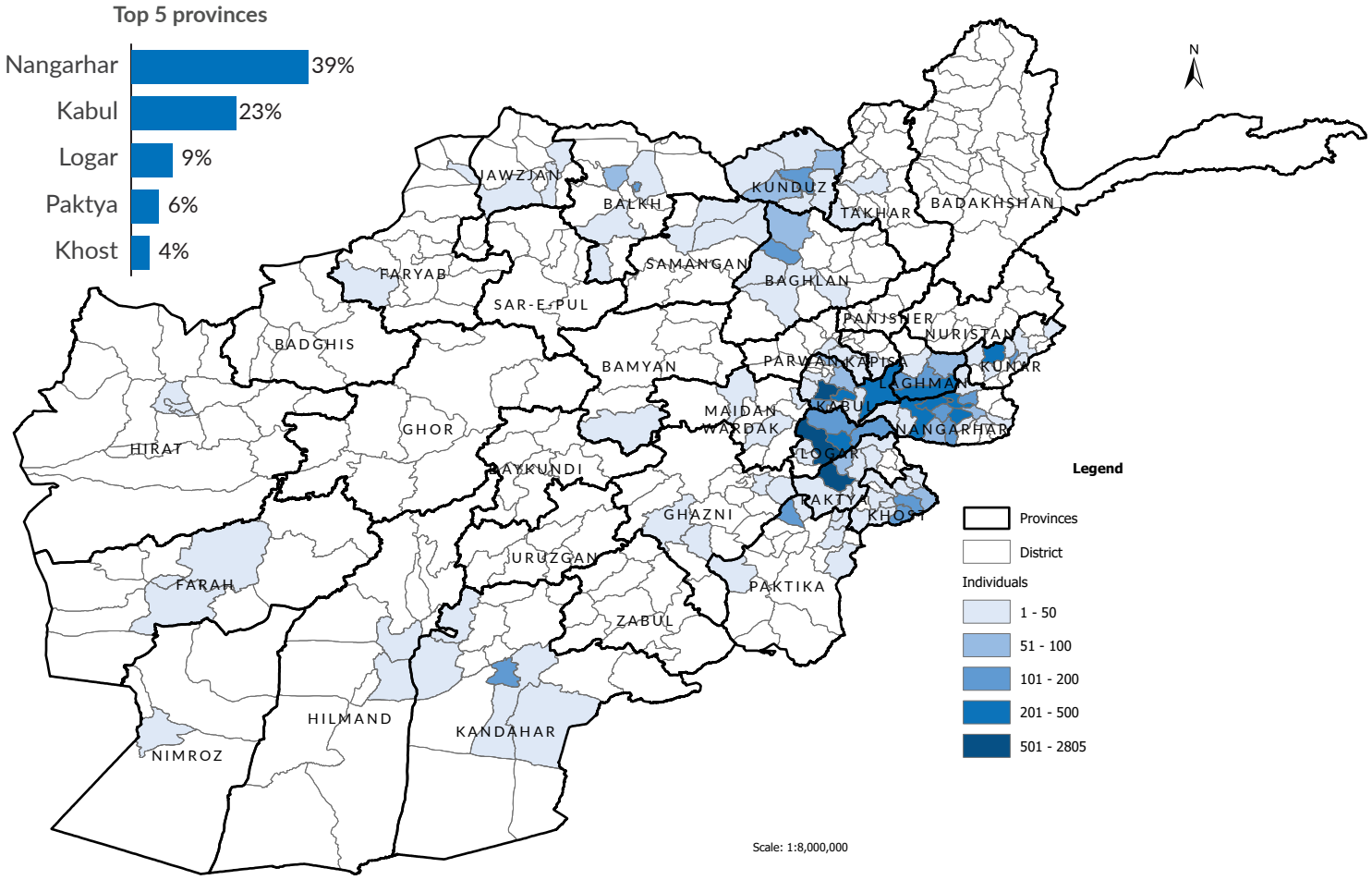
## Return Trends




## Return category by country of return

| Return category | Pakistan | Iran | Tajikistan | Other | Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| POR Card | 7,573 | - | - | - | 7,573 |
| Undocumented | 4,748 | 40 | 72 | - | 4,860 |
| VRF | 719 | 9 | - | - | 728 |
| Slip holder ASY | 97 | - | - | - | 97 |
| **Grand Total** | **13,137** | **49** | **72** | - | **13,258** |

## Map of showing the intended district of return



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