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Assisted Afghan Returnees from Pakistan, Iran and other countries

from 05 October to 11 October 2025

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.

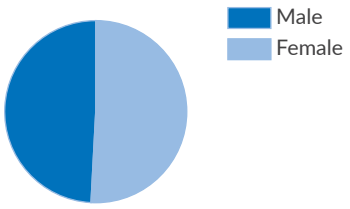
Key figures

37,600 from 05 October - 11 October 2025

UNHCR-assisted returns (including CBI, Transportation, Core Relief Items and Hot-Meals)

52%

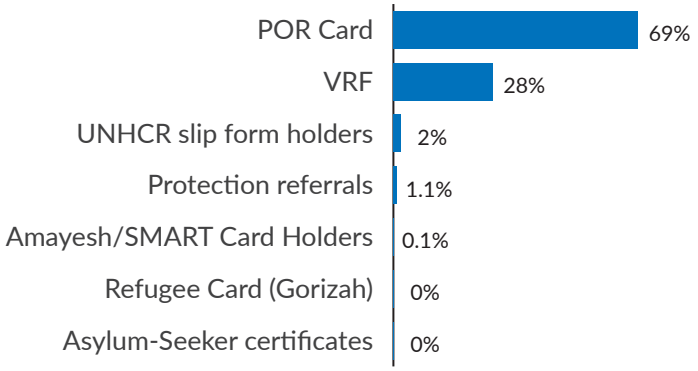
48%



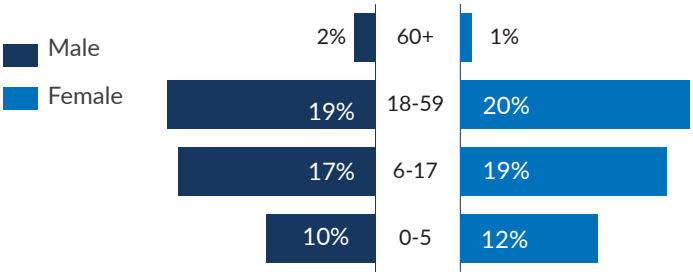
58% of returnees are minors (below 18)

25% of returnee households are female-headed

Returnees by documentation type



Returns assisted by UNHCR Afghanistan



79% of the assisted are **women & children**

52% of the returnees are **women**

Gender breakdown of returnees assisted through CBI.

Return category	Male	Female	Total
VRF (PoR cardhoders)	5,174	5,173	10,347
VRF (Amaesh cardholders)	11	9	20
VRF (Gorizah)	-	-	-
VRF (Other country)	-	-	-
POR Card	12,439	13,713	26,152
Amayesh/SMART Card Holders	31	23	54
Mandate refugee card issued by UNHCR	-	-	-
Refugee Card (Gorizah)	3	8	11
Slip holders	346	263	609
Undocumented member of VRF family	-	-	-
Asylum seeker certificate holder	1	-	1
Protection referral	166	236	402
Grand Total	**18,171**	**19,425**	**37,596**

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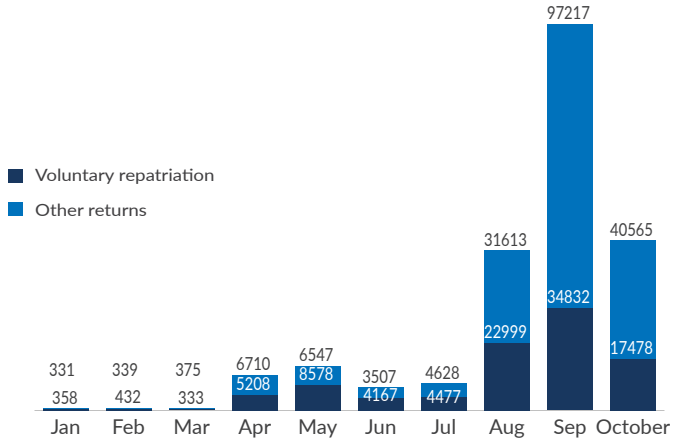
Year-to-date Return Trends

Since 15 September 2023 : **579,062**

Since 1 January 2025: **459,893**

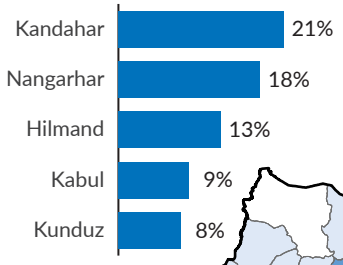


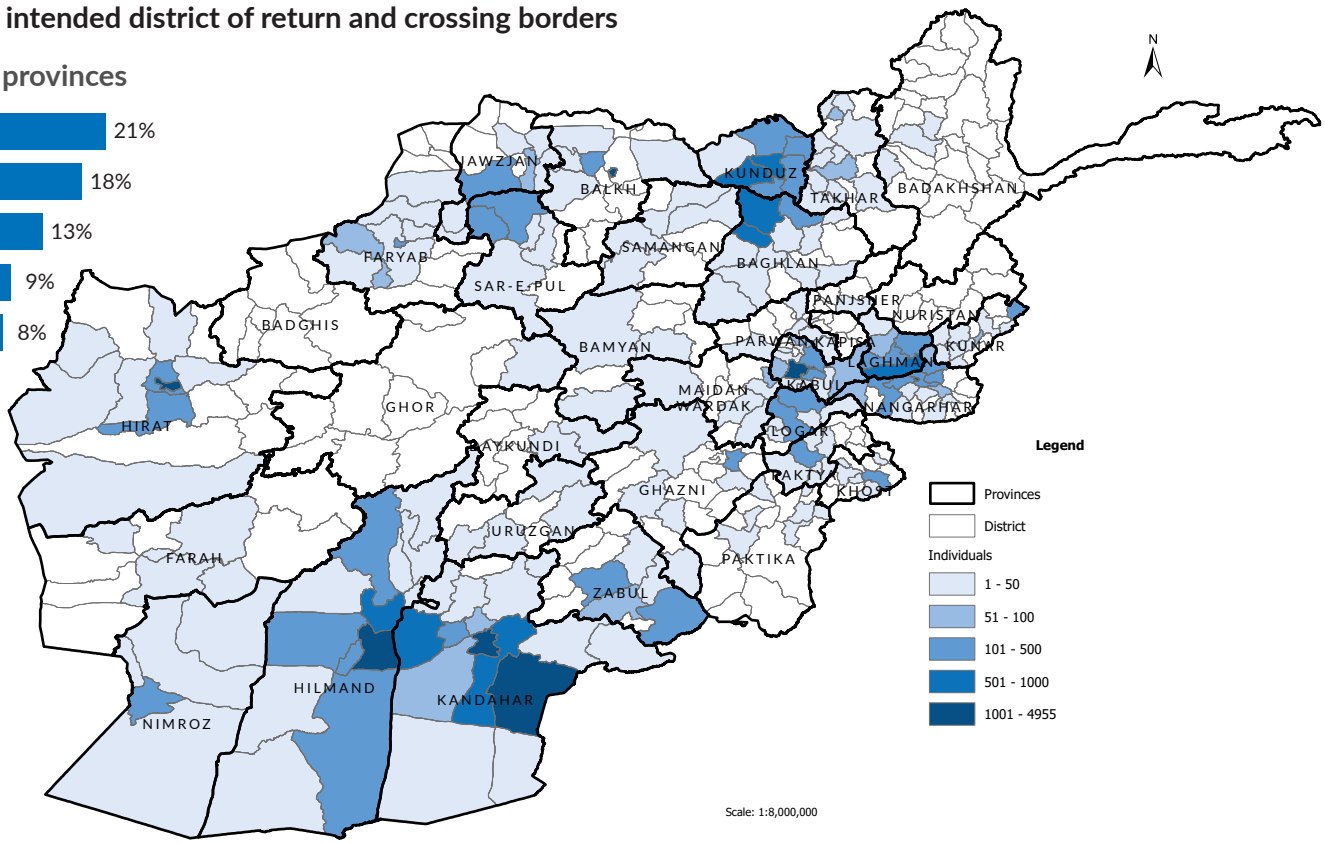
Return category by country of return

Return category	Pakistan	Iran	Tajikistan	Other	Total
VRF (PoR , Amaesh cardholders, Gorizah card and Other)	10,347	20	-	-	10,367
POR Card	26,152	-	-	-	26,152
Amayesh/SMART Card Holders	-	54	-	-	54
Mandate refugee card issued by UNHCR	-	-	-	-	-
Gorizah Card	-	-	11	-	11
Slip holders	609	-	-	-	609
Undocumented member of VRF family	-	-	-	-	-
Asylum seeker certificate holder	1	-	-	-	1
Protection referral	402	-	-	-	402
Grand Total	**37,511**	**74**	**11**	**-**	**37,596**

Map of intended district of return and crossing borders

Top 5 provinces





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