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Assisted Afghan Returnees from Pakistan, Iran and other countries

from 09 November to 15 November 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.

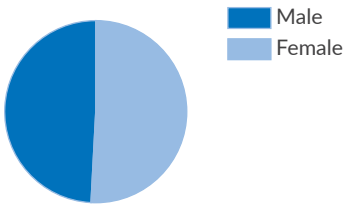
Key figures

35,100 from 09 November - 15 November 2025

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

51%

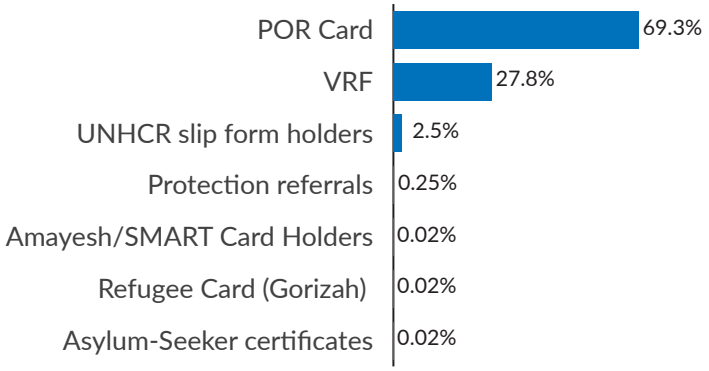
49%



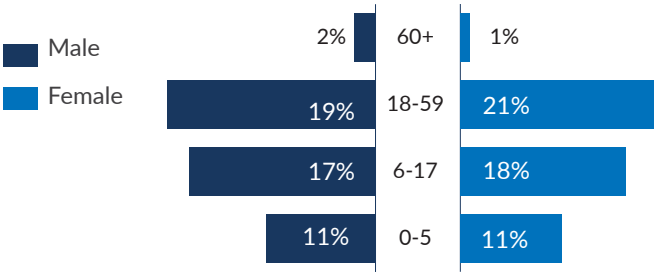
57% of returnees are minors (below 18)

31% of returnee households are female-headed

Returnees by documentation type



Returns assisted by UNHCR Afghanistan



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

51% of the returnees are **women**

Gender breakdown of returnees assisted through CBI.

Return category	Male	Female	Total
VRF (PoR cardholders)	4,755	5,009	9,764
VRF (Amaesh cardholders)	-	-	-
VRF (Gorizah)	-	-	-
VRF (Other country)	-	2	2
POR Card	11,736	12,599	24,335
Amayesh/SMART Card Holders	2	6	8
Mandate refugee card issued by UNHCR	-	-	-
Refugee Card (Gorizah)	6	1	7
Slip holders	485	399	884
Undocumented member of VRF family	-	-	-
Asylum seeker certificate holder	4	2	6
Protection referral	39	47	86
Grand Total	**17,027**	**18,065**	**35,092**

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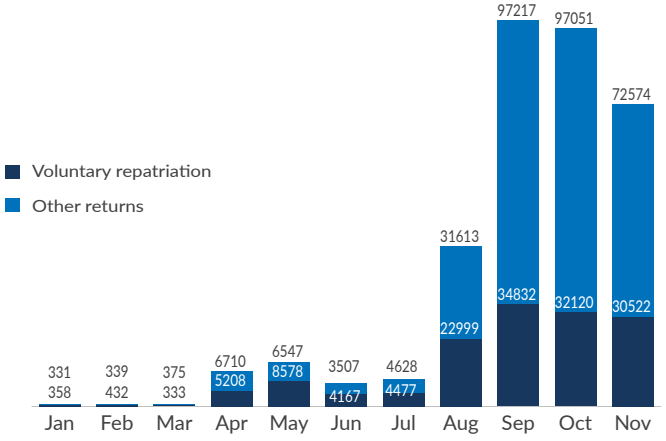
Year-to-date Return Trends

Since 15 September 2023 : **750,072**

Since 1 January 2025: **630,903**

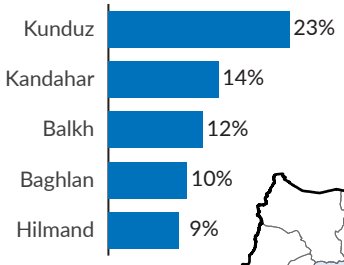


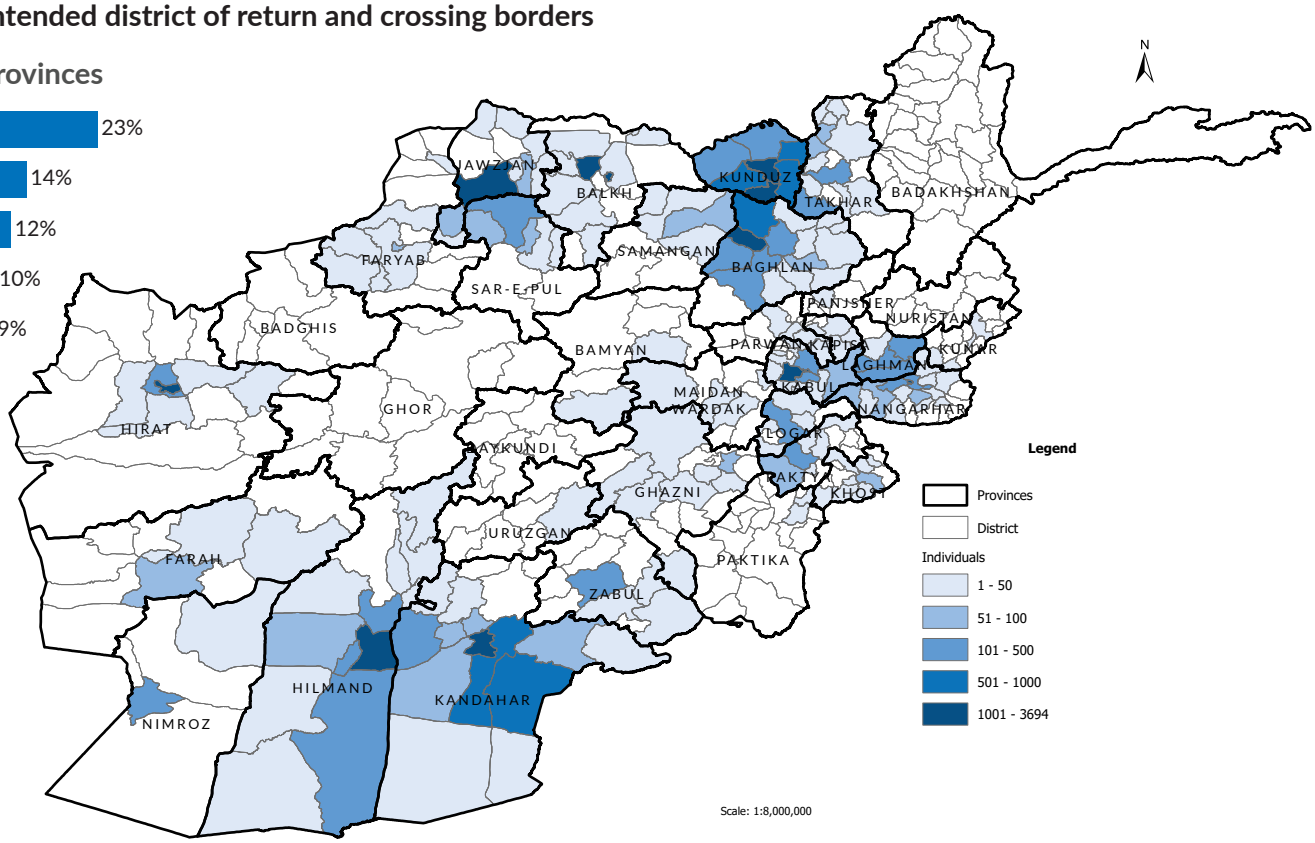
Return category by country of return

Return category	Pakistan	Iran	Tajikistan	Other	Total
VRF (PoR , Amaesh cardholders, Gorizah card and Other)	9,764	-	-	2	9,766
POR Card	24,335	-	-	-	24,335
Amayesh/SMART Card Holders	-	8	-	-	8
Mandate refugee card issued by UNHCR	-	-	-	-	-
Gorizah Card	-	-	7	-	7
Slip holders	884	-	-	-	884
Undocumented member of VRF family	-	-	-	-	-
Asylum seeker certificate holder	6	-	-	-	6
Protection referral	86	-	-	-	86
Grand Total	**35,075**	**8**	**7**	**2**	**35,092**

Map of intended district of return and crossing borders

Top 5 provinces





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