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Assisted Afghan Returnees from Pakistan, Iran and other countries

from 23 November to 29 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.

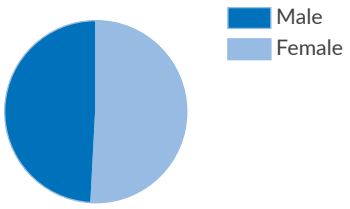
Key figures

4,700 from 23 November - 29 November 2025

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

57%

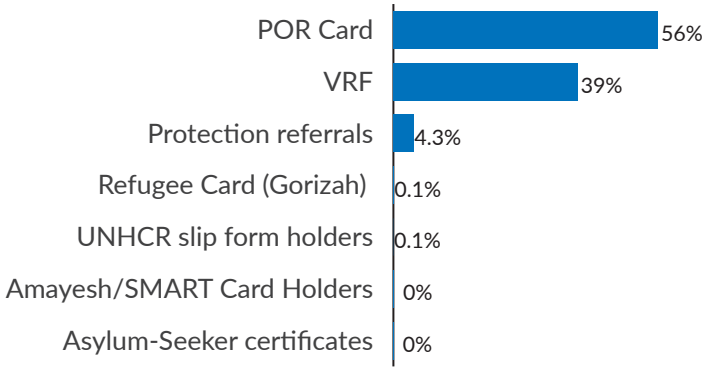
43%



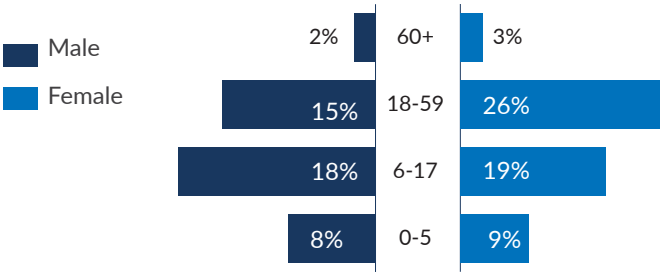
54% of returnees are minors (below 18)

51% of returnee households are female-headed

Returnees by documentation type



Returns assisted by UNHCR Afghanistan



83% of the assisted are **women & children**

57% of the returnees are **women**

Gender breakdown of returnees assisted through CBI.

Return category	Male	Female	Total
VRF (PoR cardholders)	797	1,047	1,844
VRF (Amaesh cardholders)	-	-	-
VRF (Gorizah)	-	-	-
VRF (Other country)	-	-	-
POR Card	1,103	1,533	2,636
Amayesh/SMART Card Holders	2	1	3
Mandate refugee card issued by UNHCR	-	-	-
Refugee Card (Gorizah)	-	-	-
Slip holders	2	2	4
Undocumented member of VRF family	-	-	-
Asylum seeker certificate holder	-	-	-
Protection referral	92	109	201
Grand Total	**1,996**	**2,692**	**4,688**

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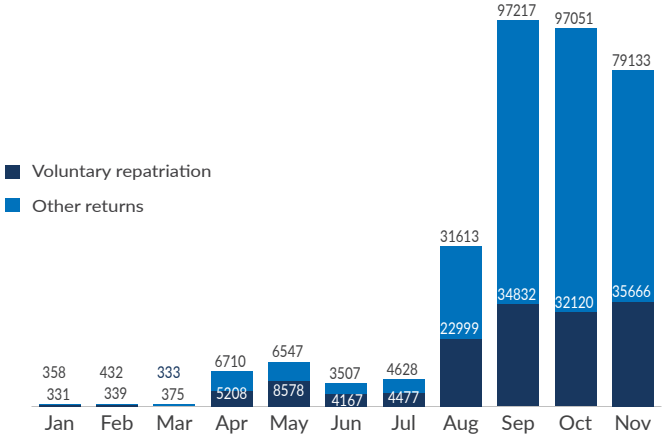
Year-to-date Return Trends

Since 15 September 2023 : **761,778**

Since 1 January 2025: **642,609**

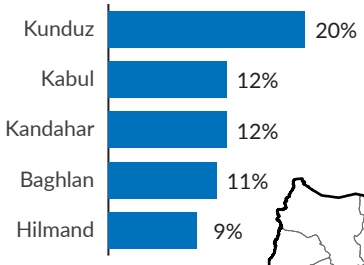


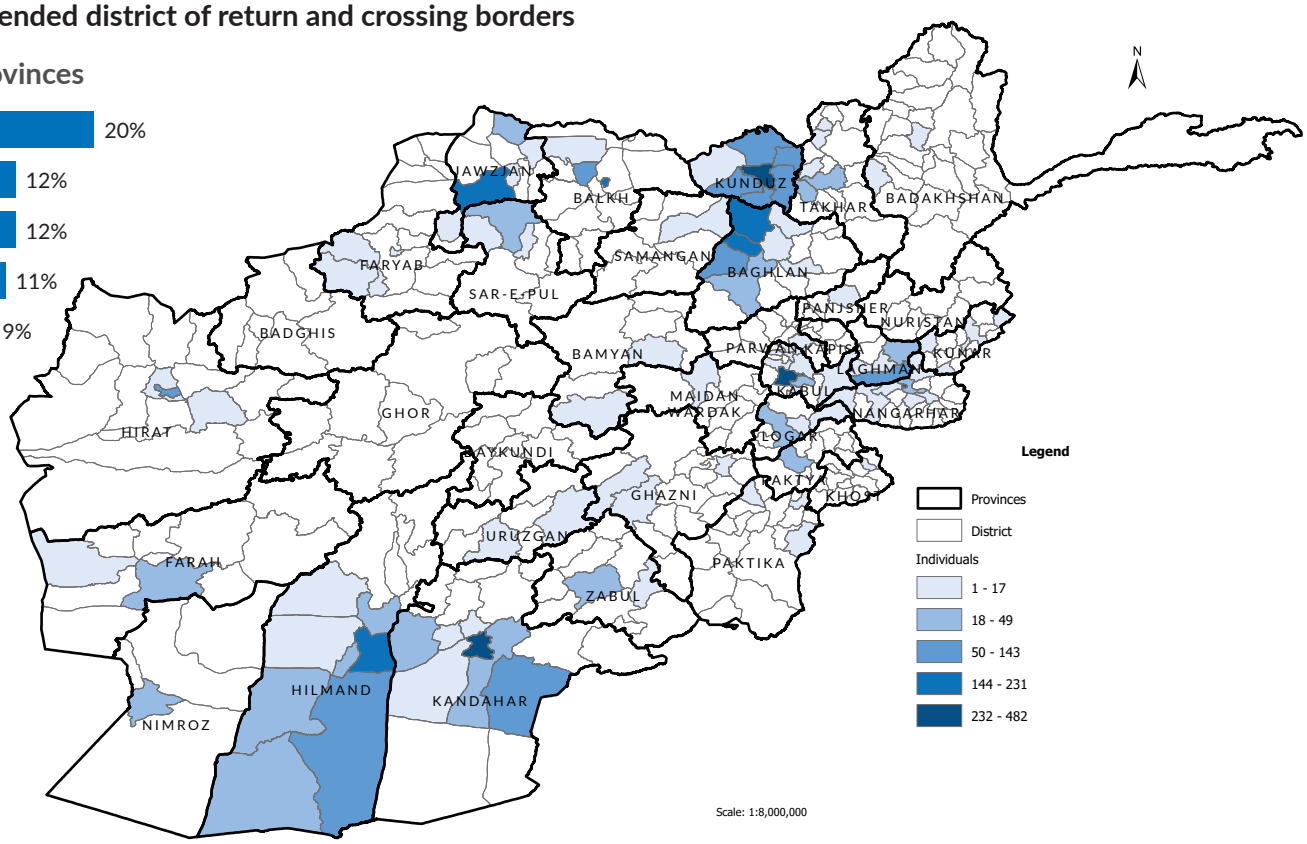
Return category by country of return

Return category	Pakistan	Iran	Tajikistan	Other	Total
VRF (PoR , Amaesh cardholders, Gorizah card and Other)	1,844	-	-	-	1,844
POR Card	2,636	-	-	-	2,636
Amayesh/SMART Card Holders	-	3	-	-	3
Mandate refugee card issued by UNHCR	-	-	-	-	-
Gorizah Card	-	-	-	-	-
Slip holders	4	-	-	-	4
Undocumented member of VRF family	-	-	-	-	-
Asylum seeker certificate holder	-	-	-	-	-
Protection referral	201	-	-	-	201
Grand Total	**4,685**	**3**	-	-	**4,688**

Map of intended district of return and crossing borders

Top 5 provinces





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