

Voluntary repatriation of Afghan refugees

(1 January to 31 August 2023)

4.39 MILLION approx

Number of Afghan refugees assisted through voluntary repatriation programme since 2002

785,781

Number of households assisted through voluntary repatriation programme since 2002

70% Azakhel **30%** Baleli

*% of Refugee returnees through voluntary repatriation centres (VRCs) since 2002

10,635

RETURNEES TO AFGHANISTAN FROM 1 JAN - 31 AUG 2023

2,457 Households

UNHCR Assistance Package

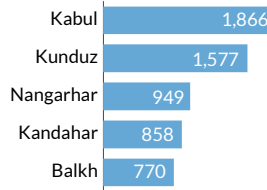
375 USD/ Individual

375 USD CARE Package - Fam Size 1 or 700 USD CARE Package - Fam Size 2 +

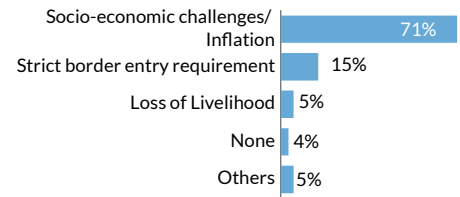
47% Azakhel **53%** Baleli

*% Refugee returnees through voluntary repatriation centres (VRCs) from Jan - August, 2023

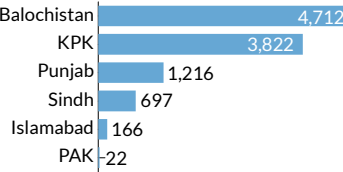
Place of intended return (Top 5)



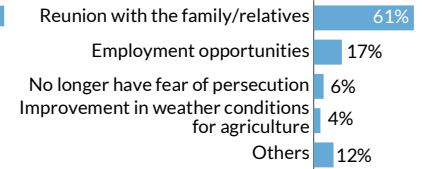
**Reasons for leaving Pakistan(Push Factors)



Place of Residence in Pakistan

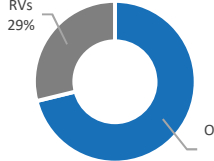


**Reasons for return to Afghanistan (Pull Factors)



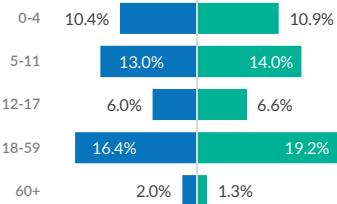
ASSISTED REPATRIATION IN 2023

RVs Vs. OUTSIDE RVs

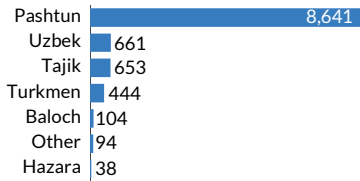


AGE AND GENDER COMPOSITION

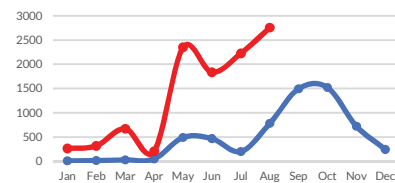
Male **47.9%** Female **52.1%**



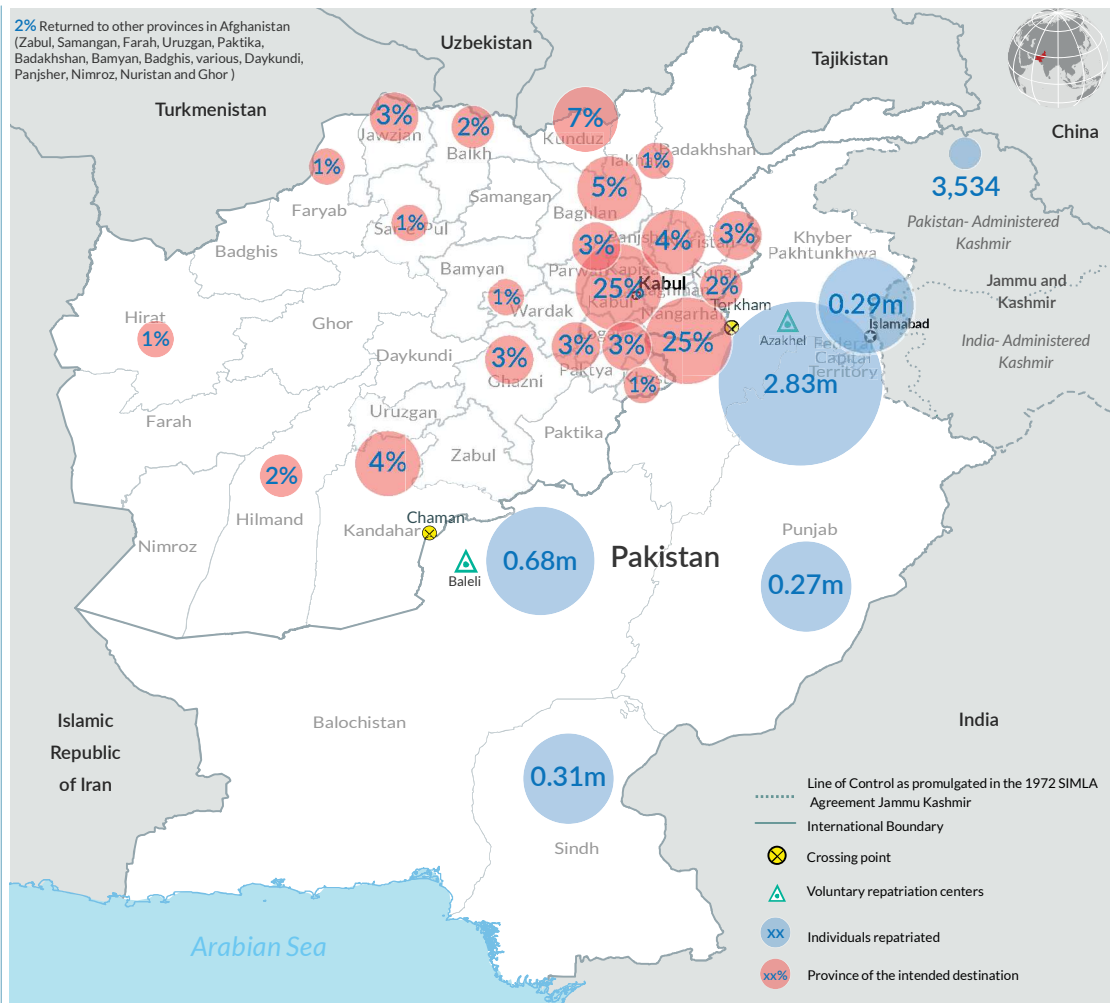
BREAKDOWNS BY ETHNICITY



MONTHLY VOLUNTARY REPATRIATION TRENDS (2022-2023)

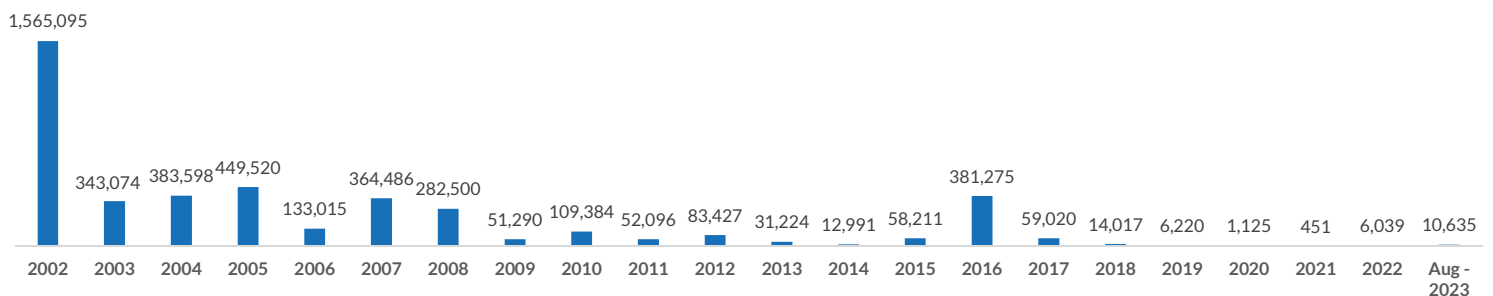


2% Returned to other provinces in Afghanistan (Zabul, Samangan, Farah, Uruzgan, Paktika, Badakhshan, Bamyan, Badghis, various, Daykundi, Panjsher, Nimroz, Nuristan and Ghor)



The figures in this map reflect returns assisted through voluntary repatriation centers (VRCs) in Pakistan and the intended place of return in Afghanistan since 2002.

YEARLY VOLUNTARY REPATRIATION TRENDS (2002-2023)



*The Baleli Verification Center serves all returnees from Balochistan, as well as refugees departing Karachi and returning to Afghanistan via Balochistan. The Azakhel Center in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa serves refugees returning from Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Islamabad, Punjab, Sindh, and Pakistan Administered Kashmir. **Exit interviews have been conducted with refugees in the Voluntary Repatriation Centers (VRCs).

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