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Assisted Afghan Returnees from Pakistan, Iran and other countries

from 24 August to 30 August 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.

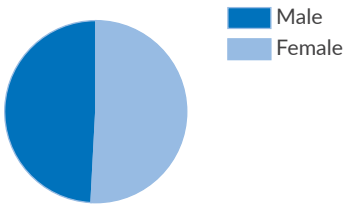
Key figures

25,700 from 24 August-30 August 2025

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

52%

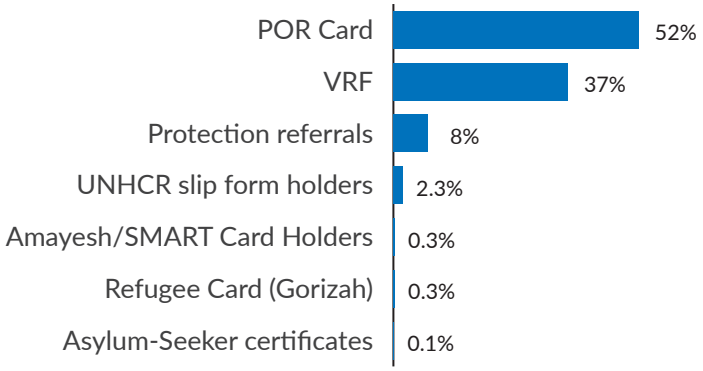
48%



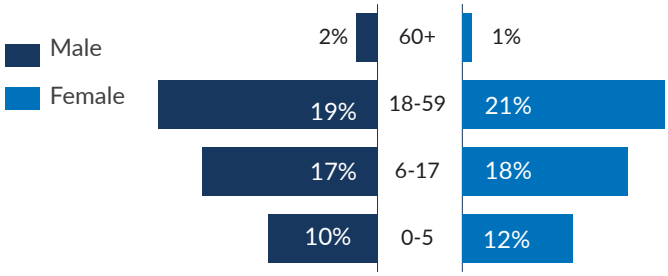
58% of returnees are minors (below 18)

33% 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)	4,407	4,357	8,764
VRF (Amaesh cardholders)	20	26	46
VRF (Gorizah)	-	-	-
VRF (Other country)	-	1	1
POR Card	6,396	7,129	13,525
Amayesh/SMART Card Holders	40	34	74
Mandate refugee card issued by UNHCR	-	-	-
Refugee Card (Gorizah)	33	32	65
Slip holders	272	253	525
Undocumented member of VRF family	308	402	710
Asylum seeker certificate holder	15	18	33
Protection referral	775	1,158	1,933
Grand Total	**12,266**	**13,410**	**25,676**

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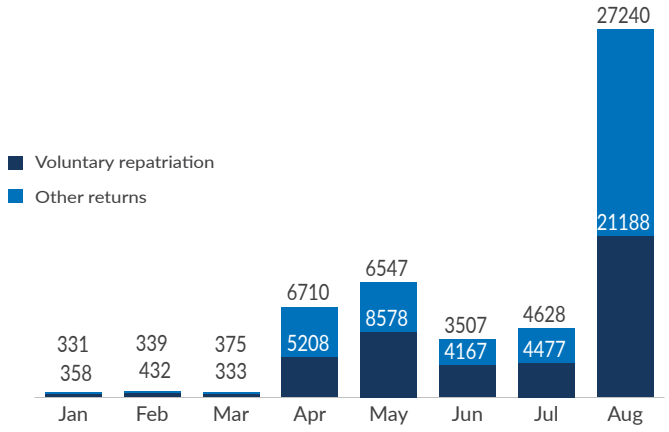
Year-to-date Return Trends

Since 15 September 2023 : **382,592**

Since 1 January 2025: **263,423**

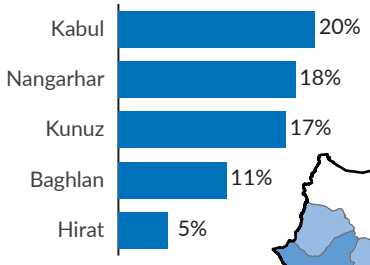


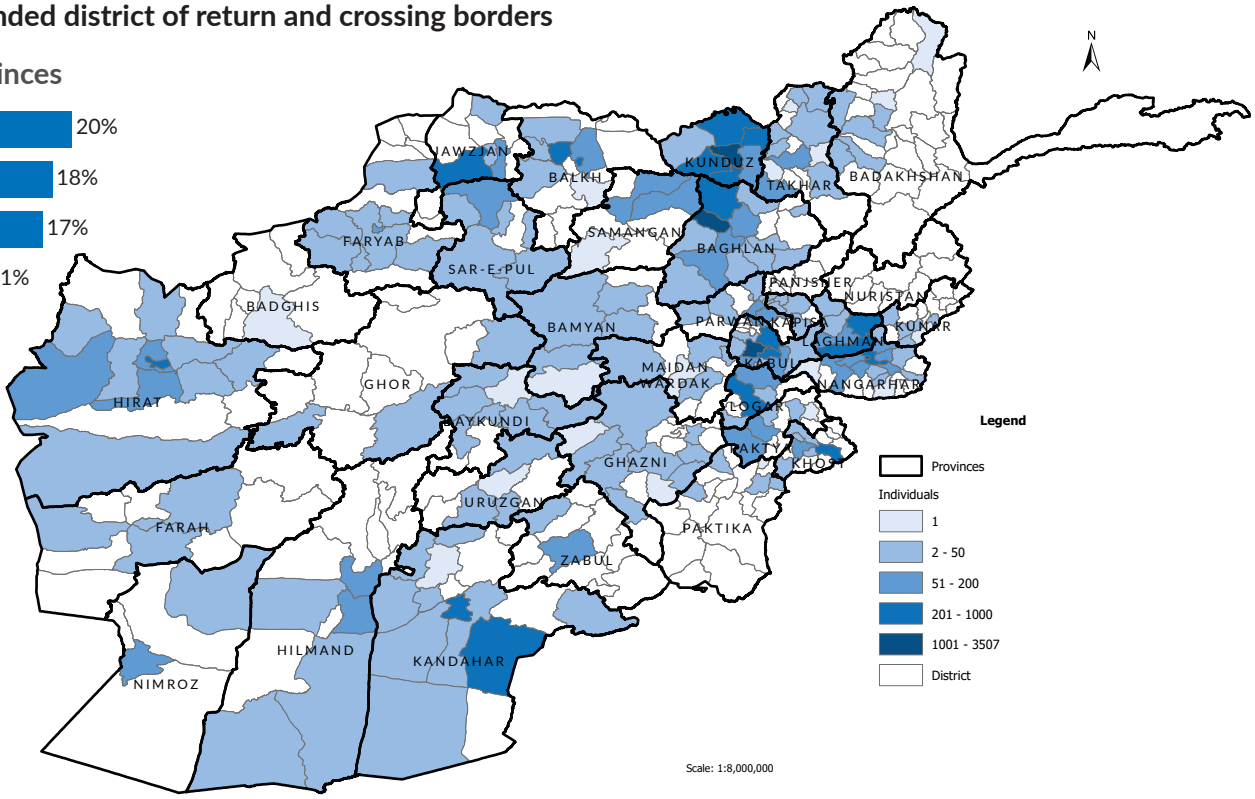
Return category by country of return

Return category	Pakistan	Iran	Tajikistan	Other	Total
VRF (PoR , Amaesh cardholders, Gorizah card and Other)	8,764	46	-	1	8,811
POR Card	13,525	-	-	-	13,525
Amayesh/SMART Card Holders	-	74	-	-	74
Mandate refugee card issued by UNHCR	-	-	-	-	-
Gorizah Card	-	-	65	-	65
Slip holders	525	-	-	-	525
Undocumented member of VRF family	710	-	-	-	710
Asylum seeker certificate holder	33	-	-	-	33
Protection referral	1,933	-	-	-	1,933
Grand Total	**25,490**	**120**	**65**	**1**	**25,676**

Map of intended district of return and crossing borders

Top 5 provinces





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