PAKISTAN

Voluntary repatriation of Afghan refugees

(1 January to 31 October 2023)

4.40 MILLION approx

Number of Afghan refugees assisted through voluntary repatriation programme since 2002

787,068

Number of households assisted through voluntary repatriation programme since 2002

70% Azakhel **30%** Baleli

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

16,354*

RETURNEES TO AFGHANISTAN FROM 1 JAN - 31 OCT 2023

3,744

Households

UNHCR Assistance Package

375 USD/ Individual

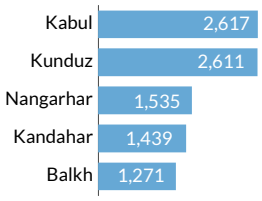
+

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

48% Azakhel **52%** Baleli

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

Place of intended return (Top 5)



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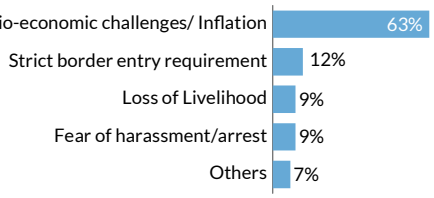
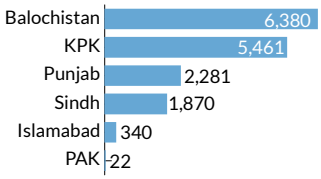
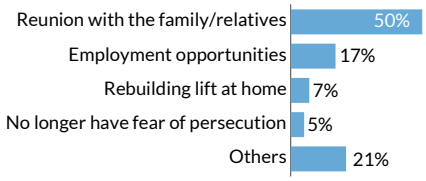


Place of Residence in Pakistan

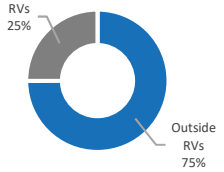


***Reasons for return to Afghanistan (Pull Factors)

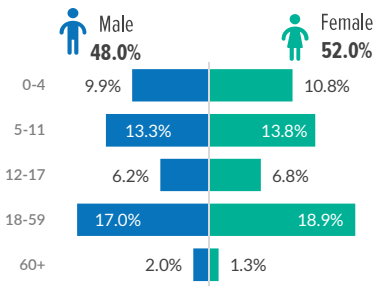


ASSISTED REPATRIATION IN 2023

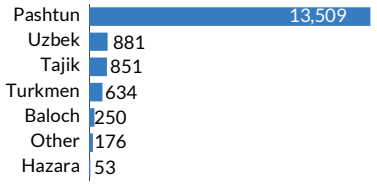
RVs Vs. OUTSIDE RVs



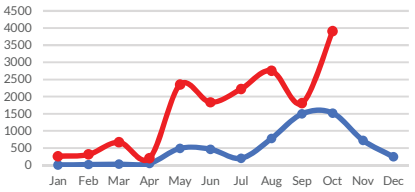
AGE AND GENDER COMPOSITION

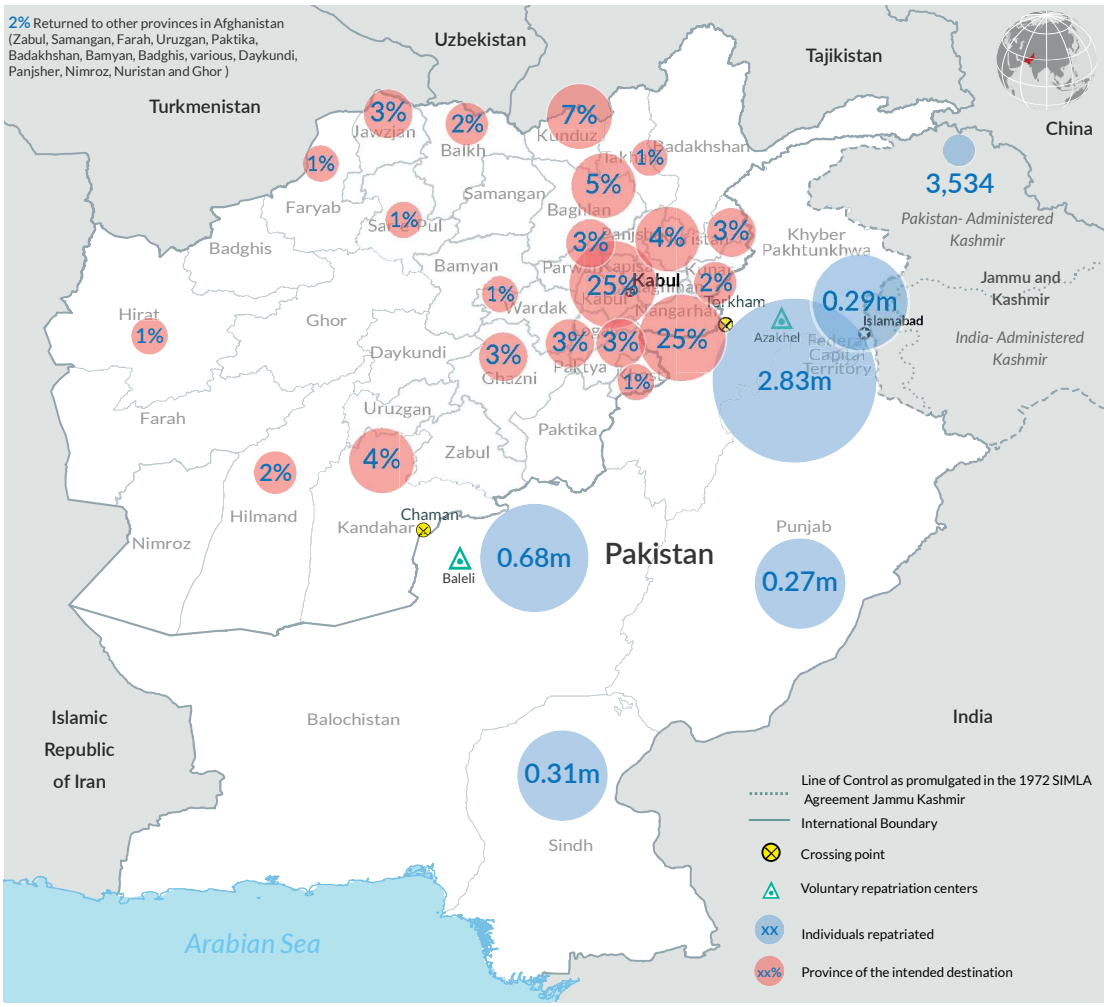


BREAKDOWN BY ETHNICITY



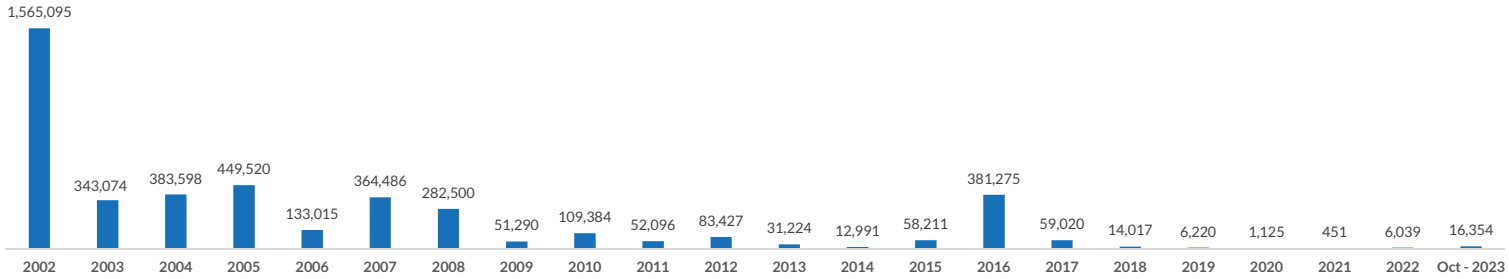
MONTHLY VOLUNTARY REPATRIATION TRENDS (2022-2023)





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 figure refers to the number of refugees who were processed for Voluntary repatriation at VRCs in Pakistan. **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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