

**Key figures**

**335,300**

 total returns<sup>1</sup>

**11,300**

assisted VolRep


**16,100**

deportations

**187,800**

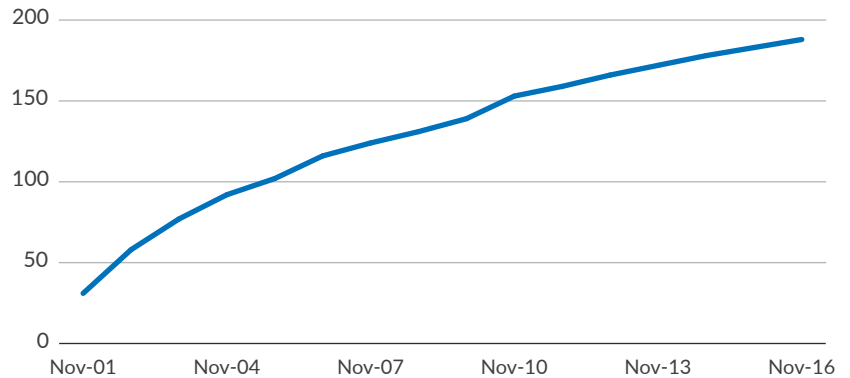
**8,000**

**15,200**


The **blue figures** above correspond to the period 1 October to 16 November. While the **navy figures** refer only to those who arrived in November (1-16 November).

**Total returns (cumulative since 1 Nov. 2023)<sup>2</sup>**

Number of people (thousands)


**Context**

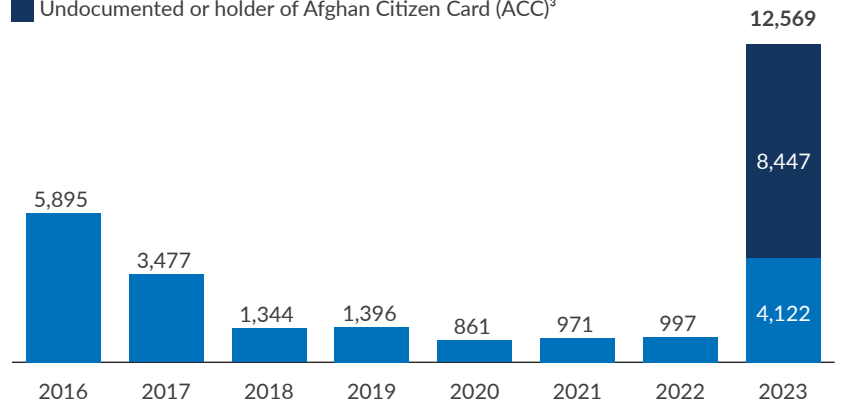
On 3 October, Pakistan's national Apex Committee endorsed a plan to repatriate over a million foreigners without valid documents, largely Afghans, requiring them to leave the country by 1 November.

In the first 16 days of November 15,200 individuals have been deported, which represents a sixteen-fold increase from the month of October.

UNHCR is providing cash assistance to returning and deported Afghans at Kandahar and Jalalabad. Those assisted, possess different documentation including, Asylum Seeker Certificates, Proof of Registration (POR) card holders and their families, UNHCR Slip holders, and their families, as well as Protection referrals.

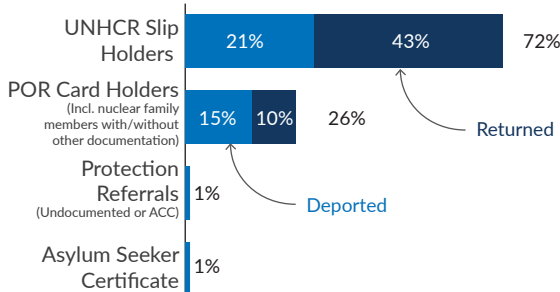
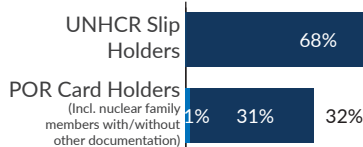
**Arrests and detentions (from 2016 up to 11 Nov. 2023)**

Asylum seekers and holders of Proof of Registration (POR)

 Undocumented or holder of Afghan Citizen Card (ACC)<sup>3</sup>

**Returns assisted by UNHCR by documentation status**

(excluding assisted VolRep)

**48%** of assisted are **Women**

**52%** of assisted are **Men**
**Jalalabad Encashment Centre**

**Kandahar Encashment Centre**

**Situation map**


<sup>1</sup> An umbrella term that includes all returns including deportations, assisted Voluntary Repatriation (VolRep) and other returns of Afghans of all statuses such as PoR cardholders, ACC holders, and the undocumented.

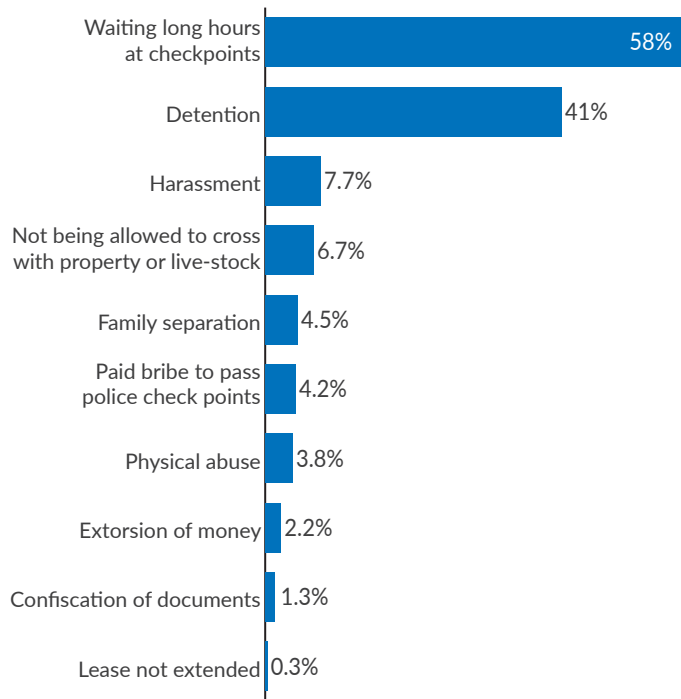
<sup>2</sup> Return figures from 5 November onwards may fluctuate till validation process is concluded.

<sup>3</sup> Prior to 2023, there was no data collected on the arrest and detention of ACC holders or undocumented Afghan nationals.

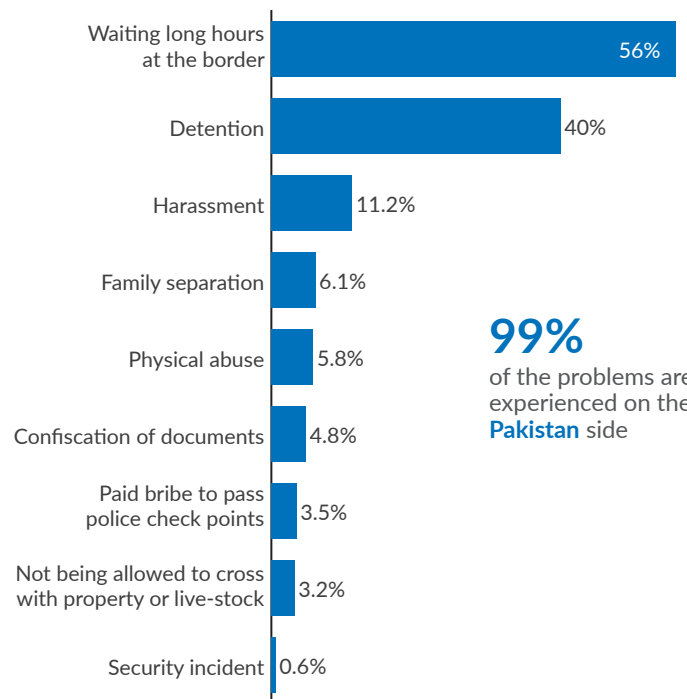
### Border Protection Monitoring

UNHCR and its partner Wadan in Afghanistan have scaled up our protection activities at the border. Daily presence consists of Border Protection monitoring through interviews with returnees including deportees in order to identify protection concerns and risks as well as their intended areas of return in Afghanistan. Five help desks have been set up in order to boost protection screening interviews, identification and referral of individuals to be assisted by UNHCR.

#### Problems experienced in Pakistan prior to the cross-border movement

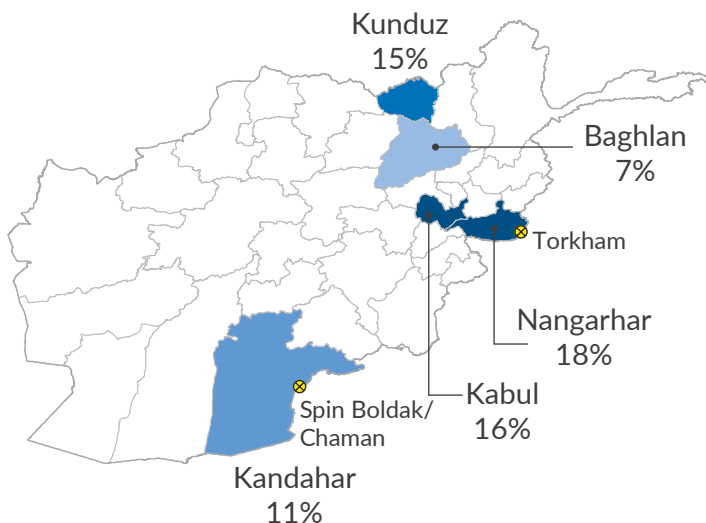


#### Problems experienced at the border point on Pakistan and Afghanistan side



**99%**  
of the problems are experienced on the **Pakistan** side

#### Top 5 provinces of intended destination for those with Proof of Registration (PoR)



#### Top 5 provinces of intended destination for those without documentation or with Afghan Citizen Card (ACC)

