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Assisted Afghan Returnees from Pakistan, Iran and other countries

from 16 November to 22 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.

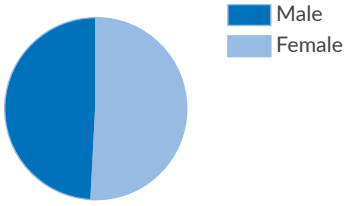
Key figures

6,900 from 16 November - 22 November 2025

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

54%

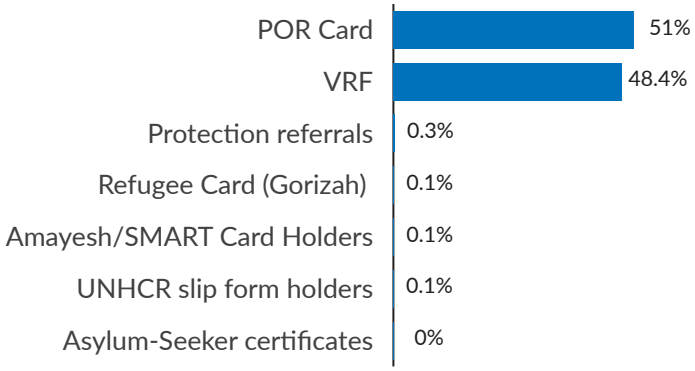
46%



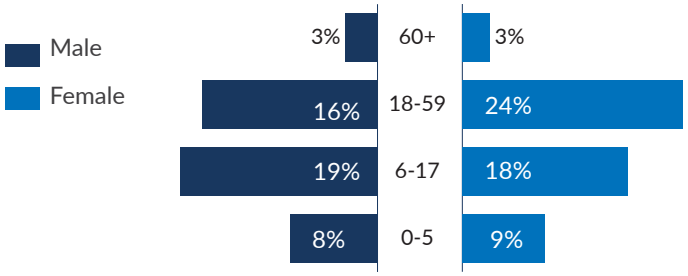
55% of returnees are minors (below 18)

51% of returnee households are female-headed

Returnees by documentation type



Returns assisted by UNHCR Afghanistan



81% of the assisted are **women & children**

54% of the returnees are **women**

Gender breakdown of returnees assisted through CBI.

Return category	Male	Female	Total
VRF (PoR cardhoders)	1,606	1,715	3,321
VRF (Amaesh cardholders)	-	-	-
VRF (Gorizah)	-	-	-
VRF (Other country)	-	-	-
POR Card	1,544	1,954	3,498
Amayesh/SMART Card Holders	5	3	8
Mandate refugee card issued by UNHCR	-	-	-
Refugee Card (Gorizah)	4	5	9
Slip holders	2	3	5
Undocumented member of VRF family	-	-	-
Asylum seeker certificate holder	-	-	-
Protection referral	12	6	18
Grand Total	**3,173**	**3,686**	**6,859**

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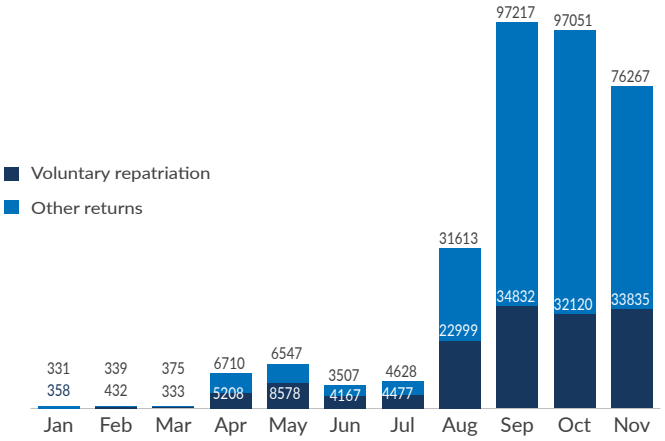
Year-to-date Return Trends

Since 15 September 2023 : **757,087**

Since 1 January 2025: **637,918**

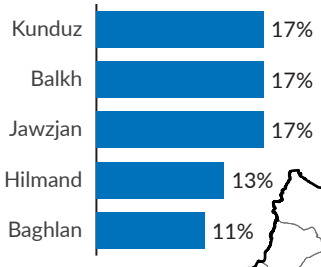


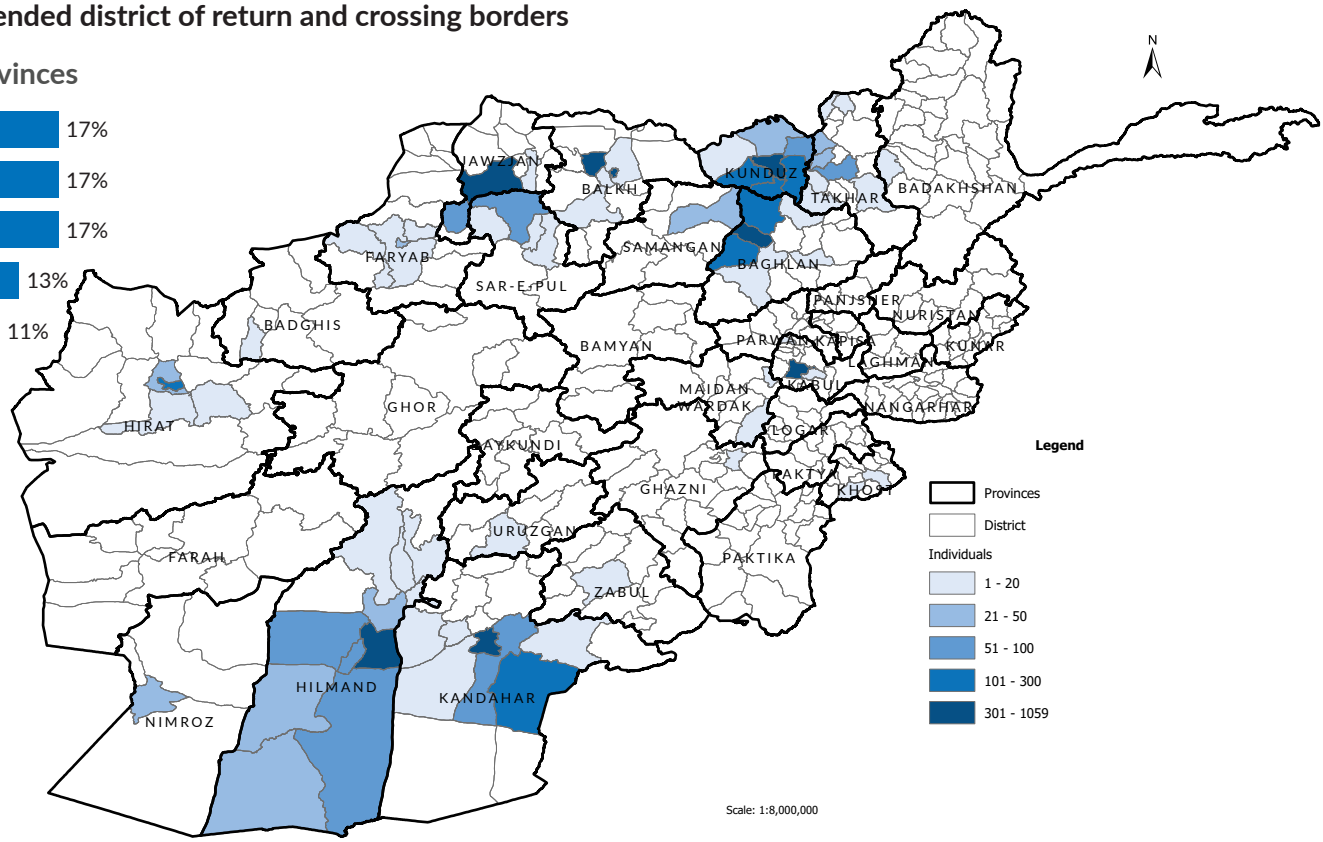
Return category by country of return

Return category	Pakistan	Iran	Tajikistan	Other	Total
VRF (PoR , Amaesh cardholders, Gorizah card and Other)	3,321	-	-	-	3,321
POR Card	3,498	-	-	-	3,498
Amayesh/SMART Card Holders	-	8	-	-	8
Mandate refugee card issued by UNHCR	-	-	-	-	-
Gorizah Card	-	-	9	-	9
Slip holders	5	-	-	-	5
Undocumented member of VRF family	-	-	-	-	-
Asylum seeker certificate holder	-	-	-	-	-
Protection referral	18	-	-	-	18
Grand Total	**6,842**	**8**	**9**	**-**	**6,859**

Map of intended district of return and crossing borders

Top 5 provinces





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