

SPONTANEOUS RETURN OF UNDOCUMENTED AFGHAN MIGRANTS FROM PAKISTAN (15 TO 28 JAN. 2022)

OVERVIEW

IOM Pakistan collects data on the outflows of **undocumented Afghan migrants** at the Torkham and Chaman border crossing points in an effort to better understand the migration movements of undocumented Afghan migrants returning to Afghanistan from Pakistan. This exercise is part of the **European Union** funded project “Displacement Tracking Matrix Regional Evidence for Migration Analysis and Policy (DTM REMAP)”.

From 15 January to 28 January 2022, **2,488** undocumented Afghan migrants returned to Afghanistan, including **269** through the Torkham border point and **2,219** through the Chaman border point. During the reporting period, border authorities facilitated the return of **101** individuals due to the lack of legal documentation to remain in Pakistan. Therefore, information concerning these **101** individuals is not included in the report analysis.

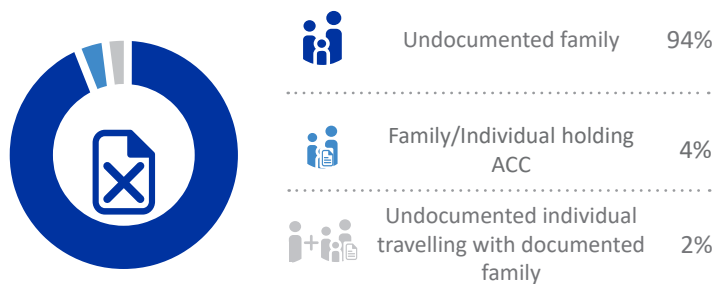
*The Torkham border point has been partially closed since 1 November 2020. The figures represented on the timeline from January 2021 to January 2022 include a data compilation effort between IOM Pakistan and IOM Afghanistan.

HIGHLIGHTS

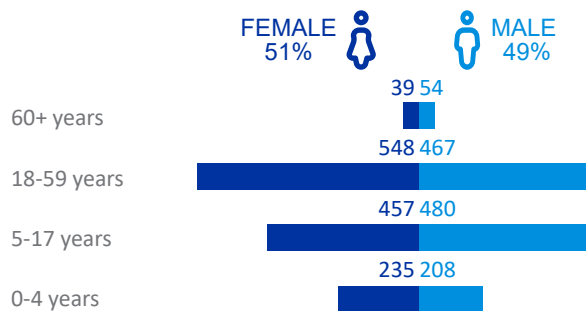
- During the reporting period, 9% of returnees were categorized as vulnerable persons, mainly chronically ill and elderly.
- In Pakistan, the primary occupations reported by majority of returnees were: unskilled labor (56%), skilled labor (26%) and business (16%).
- All returnees were carrying household items, cash, personal belongings and productive assets when interviewed. They also travelled with additional items, such as transportation or private vehicles (7%).
- The average cost of travelling from Pakistan to Afghanistan reported was 17,277 PKR per family.
- The top 3 challenges returnees expected to face in Afghanistan were: arranging for livelihoods, settling into a new city and finding income opportunities.

4,976 UNDOCUMENTED AFGHAN RETURNEES AT TORKHAM AND CHAMAN SINCE JANUARY 2022

DISTRIBUTION OF UNDOCUMENTED RETURNEES



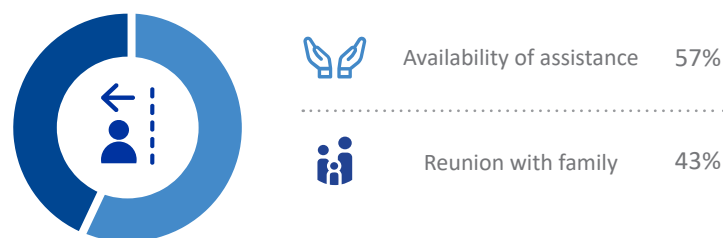
AGE AND GENDER



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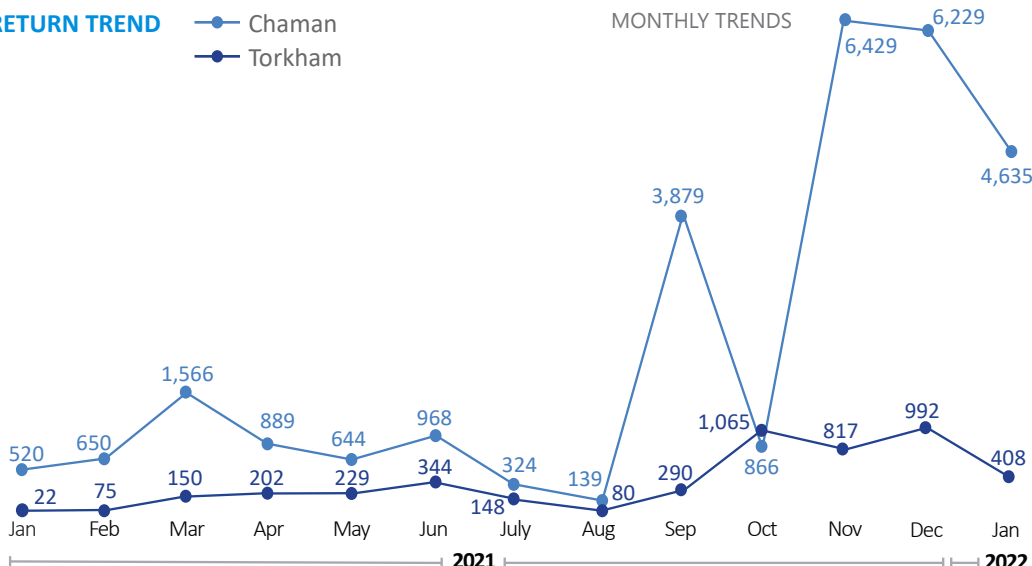


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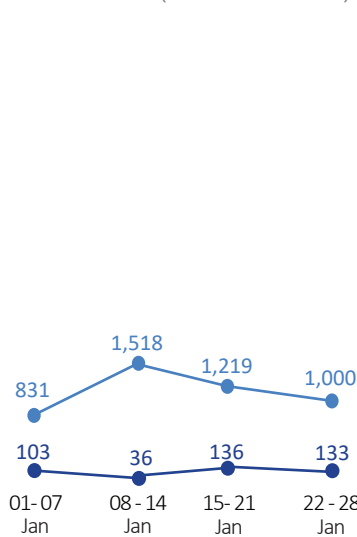


RETURN TREND

— Chaman
— Torkham



WEEKLY TRENDS (LAST FOUR WEEKS)

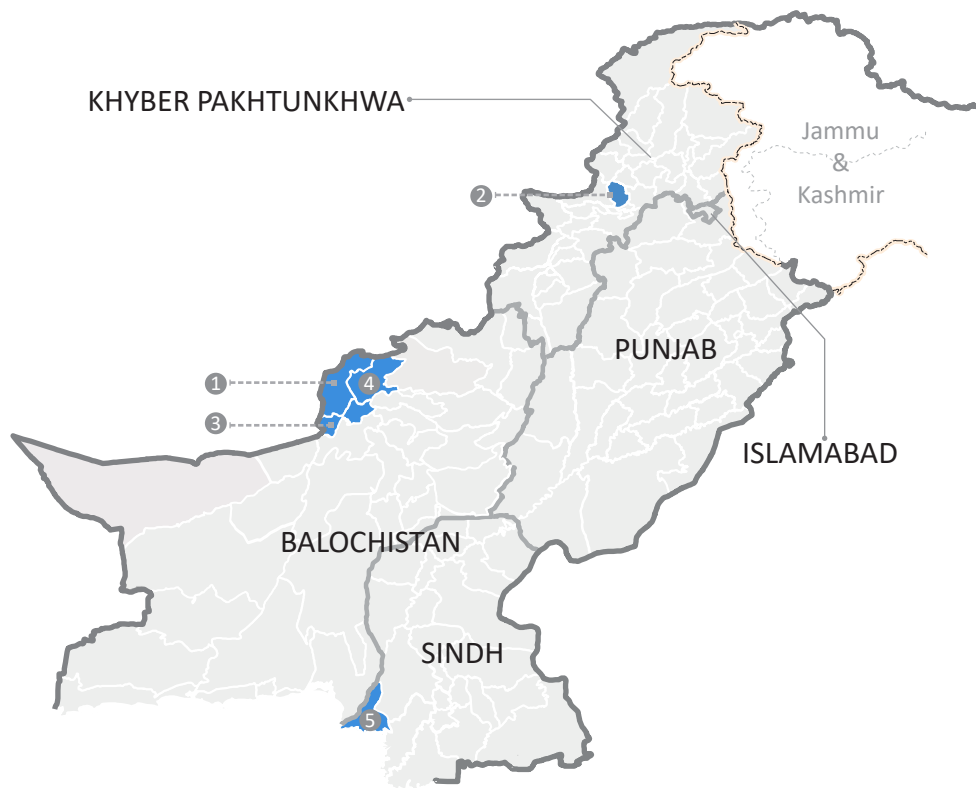


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SETTLEMENT TYPE LEGEND



DISTRICTS OF ORIGIN IN PAKISTAN OF RETURNEES



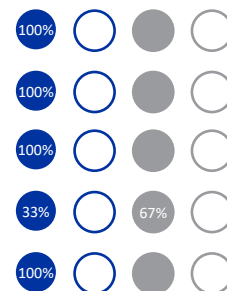
LEGEND



ORIGIN DISTRICT

1. Killa Abdullah	47%
2. Peshawar.....	34%
3. Quetta.....	15%
4. Pishin.....	2%
5. Karachi	1%

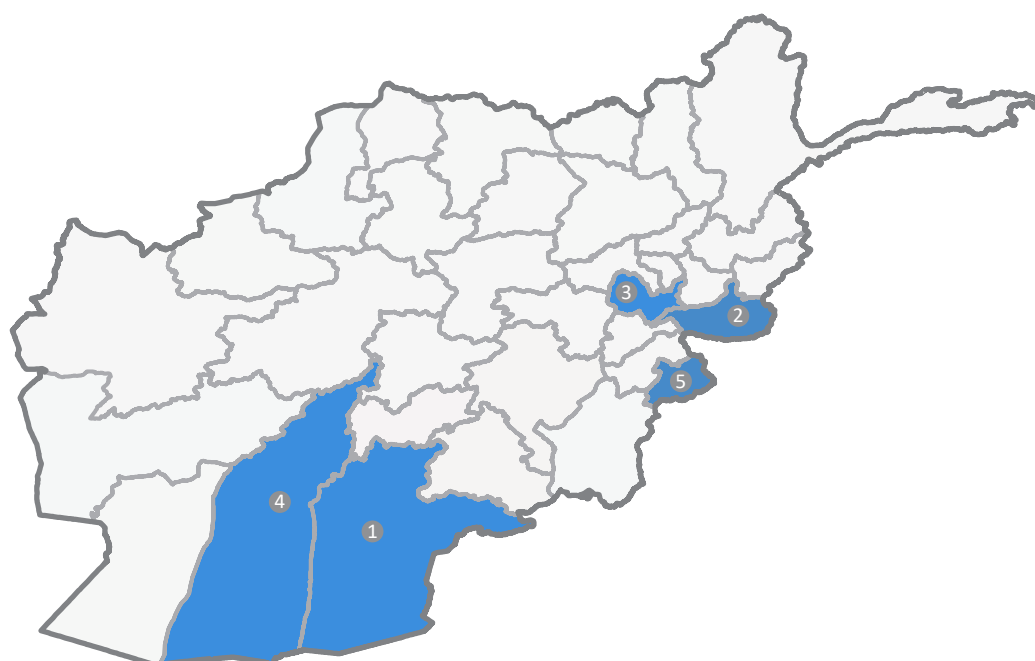
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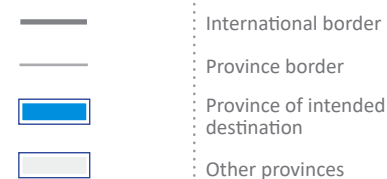
Note:
This map and the following legends focus on the top 5 districts of origin in Pakistan during the reporting period of 15 to 28 Jan. 2022.

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PROVINCES OF INTENDED DESTINATION



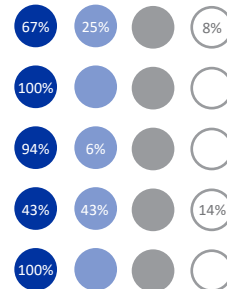
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INTENDED PROVINCE

1. Kandahar	59%
2. Nangarhar	21%
3. Kabul.....	7%
4. Hilmand.....	3%
5. Khost.....	3%

SETTLEMENT TYPE



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This map and the following legends focus on the top 5 provinces of intended destination in Afghanistan during the reporting period of 15 to 28 Jan. 2022.

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