# SPONTANEOUS RETURN OF UNDOCUMENTED AFGHAN MIGRANTS FROM PAKISTAN (16 TO 29 JULY 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 16 to 29 July 2022, 2,090 undocumented Afghan migrants returned to Afghanistan from Pakistan, including 298 through the Torkham border point and 1,792 through the Chaman border point. During the reporting period, border authorities facilitated the return of 47 individuals due to the lack of legal documentation to remain in Pakistan. Therefore, information concerning these 47 individuals is not included in the report analysis.

### **HIGHLIGHTS**

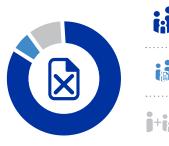
- During the reporting period, 8% of returnees were categorized as vulnerable persons, mainly chronically ill and elderly.
- In Pakistan, the primary occupations reported by returnees were: unskilled labor (52%), skilled labor (32%), business (14%) and salaried job (2%).
- All returnees were carrying household items, cash, personal belongings and productive assets when interviewed. They also travelled with additional items, such as productive assets (87%), transportation or private vehicles (4%) and livestock (4%).
- The average cost of travelling from Pakistan to Afghanistan reported was 33,365 PKR per family.
- The top 3 challenges returnees expected to face in Afghanistan were: arranging for livelihoods, finding income opportunities and settling into a new city.



47,280

UNDOCUMENTED AFGHAN RETURNEES AT TORKHAM AND CHAMAN

### DISTRIBUTION OF UNDOCUMENTED RETURNEES





family

**AGE AND GENDER** 

45 47 60+ years 443 380 18-59 years 407 426 5-17 years 174 168

**FEMALE** 



### **PULL FACTORS**

0-4 years





**MALE** 

Reunion with family

39%



1079

118

16-22

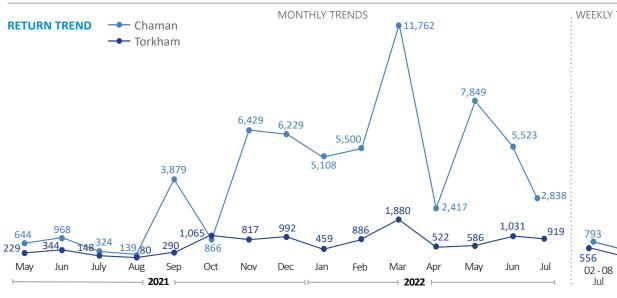
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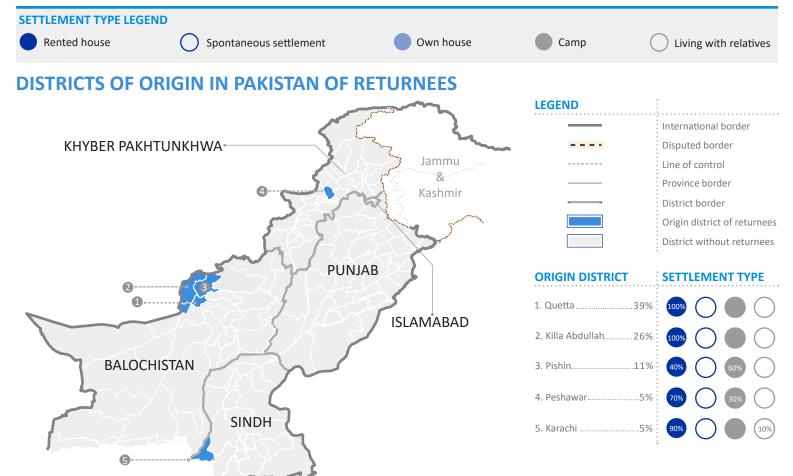
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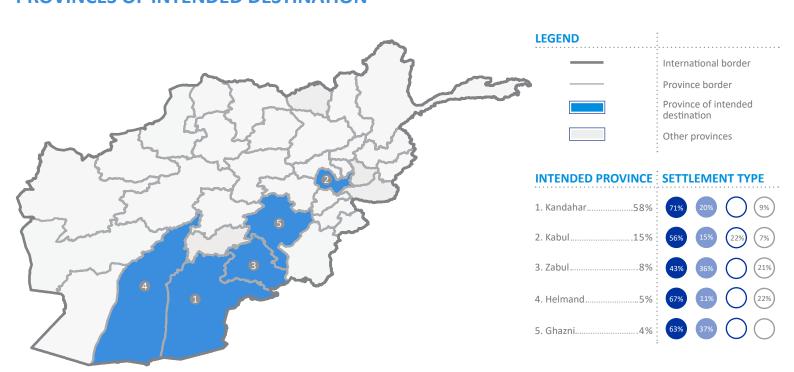
Note

This map and the following legends focus on the top 5 districts of origin in Pakistan during the reporting period of 16 - 29 July 2022.

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### PROVINCES OF INTENDED DESTINATION



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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 16-29 July 2022.

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