



IDP subterranean, tented dwellings in Farmankhil, Laghman © IOM 2017

## ABOUT DTM

The Displacement Tracking Matrix (DTM) is a system that tracks and monitors displacement and population mobility. It is designed to regularly and systematically capture, process and disseminate information to provide a better understanding of the movements and evolving needs of displaced populations, whether on site or en route. For more information about the DTM, please visit [www.displacement.iom.int/afghanistan](http://www.displacement.iom.int/afghanistan).

In Afghanistan, DTM employs the Baseline Mobility Assessment tool, designed to track mobility, determine the population sizes and locations of forcibly displaced people, reasons for displacement, places of origin, displacement locations and times of displacement, including basic demographics, as well as vulnerabilities and priority needs. Data is collected at the settlement level, through key informant interviews, focus group discussions, and direct observations.

This provincial report summarises the DTM findings in Laghman. The data has been collected throughout 5 districts and 205 settlements in Laghman. This provincial report is supplementary to its nationwide counterpart, please see: Baseline Mobility Assessment Summary Results (November – December 2017).

DTM enables IOM and its partners to deliver evidence-based, better targeted, mobility-sensitive and sustainable humanitarian assistance, reintegration, community stabilization and development programming.

## 5 TARGET POPULATIONS

Through the Baseline Mobility Assessments, DTM tracks the locations, population sizes, and cross-sectoral needs of the five core target population categories:

1. Returnees from Abroad
2. Out-Migrants  
Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs), subdivided into the following three categories:
3. Arrival IDPs
4. Returnee IDPs
5. Fled IDPs

Data on population sizes for the 5 target population categories is collected by time of displacement, using each of the following time frames: 2012-2015 • 2016 • 2017.

## HIGHLIGHTS



**5** districts assessed

**205** settlements assessed

in Alingar, Alishang, Dawlatshah, Mehtarlam and Qarghayi



**1,239**

key informants interviewed



**92,739**

returnees from abroad [2012–2017]



**37,752**

IDPs [2012–2017] currently in host communities



**12,843**

former IDPs [2012–2017] have returned to their homes



**21,958**

out-migrants fled abroad [2012–2017]



**3,392**

out-migrants fled to Europe (15% of out-migrants)



**9,384**

returnees and IDPs live in tents or in the open air (7% of total returnees and IDPs)



**1 in 4**

persons from Laghman province is either an IDP or a Returnee



**1 in 5**

persons from Laghman has fled the province as an IDP



**1 in 2**

persons from Alingar has fled their home as an IDP



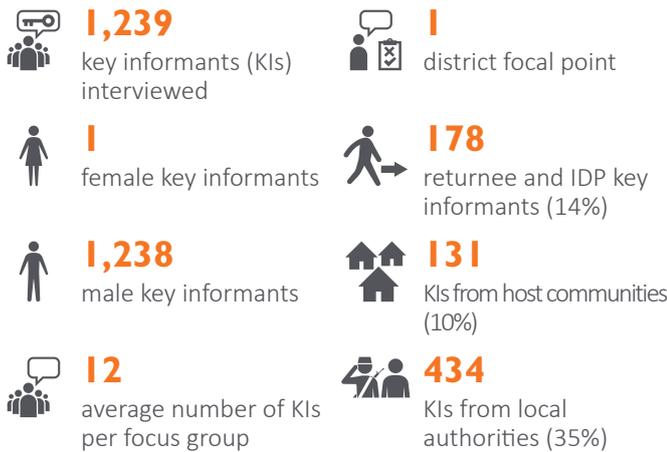
**1 in 4**

persons in Alingar is a Returnee

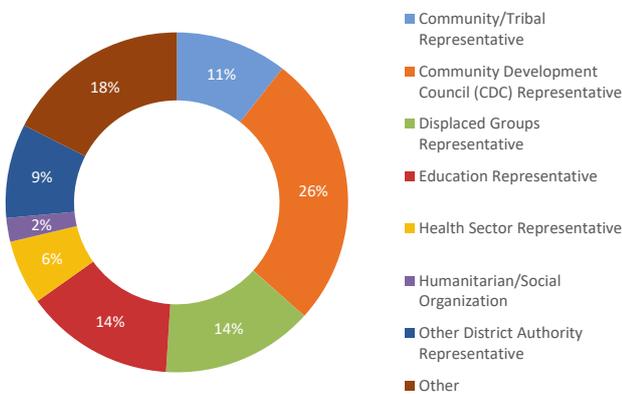
## KEY INFORMANTS

DTM's field enumerators, District Focal Points (DFPs), collect data at the settlement level, predominantly through focus group discussions with key informants. The average size of focus groups is five key informants per group. In the rare case that DTM's District Focal Points cannot physically reach a community, due to insecurity, conflict, or risk of retaliation by anti-government elements, DFPs meet the focus groups at a safe place outside their communities or conduct the assessments by phone.

Significant highlights regarding the overall composition of Key Informant Focus Groups include the following:



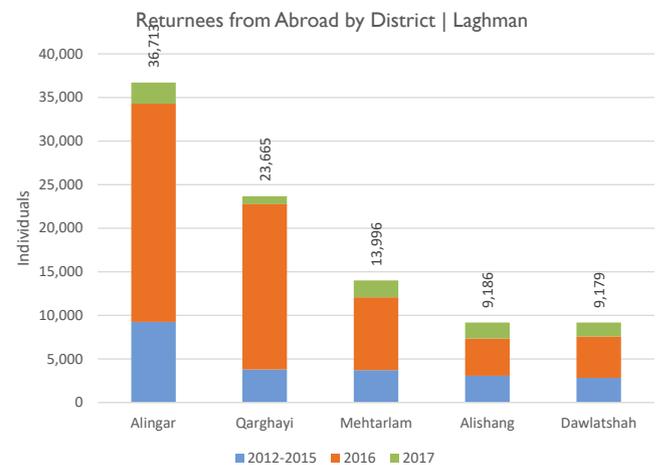
Key Informants by Type | Laghman



## RETURNEES

Returnees are Afghan nationals who have returned to Afghanistan in the assessed location after having spent at least six months abroad. This group includes both documented returnees (Afghans who were registered refugees in host countries and then requested voluntary return with UNHCR and relevant national authorities) and undocumented returnees (Afghans who did not request voluntary return with UNHCR, but rather returned spontaneously from host countries, irrespective of whether or not they were registered refugees with UNHCR and relevant national authorities).

The number of returnees in Laghman drastically increased by 127% in 2016, as compared to the period between 2012-2015. This was followed by a 86% reduction in returnees in 2017.



District-level assessment being conducted in the Kachor village, Mehtarlam, Laghman © IOM 2017

Returnees from Abroad | Annual Trends | Laghman



## IDPs

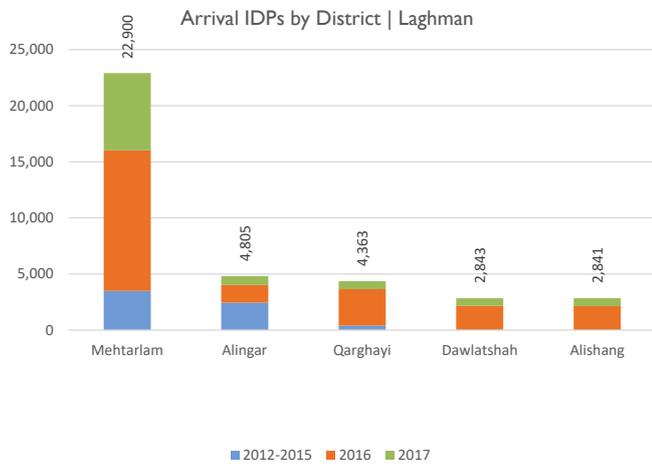
Arrival IDPs (IDPs) are Afghans who have fled from other settlements in Afghanistan and have arrived and presently reside at the assessed location / host community, as a result of, or in order to avoid, the effects of armed conflict, generalized violence, human rights violations, protection concerns, or natural and human-made disasters.

**37,752**  
IDPs

**89%**  
IDPs relocate within their home province

**100%**  
displaced due to conflict

**0%**  
displaced by natural disaster



## OUT-MIGRANTS

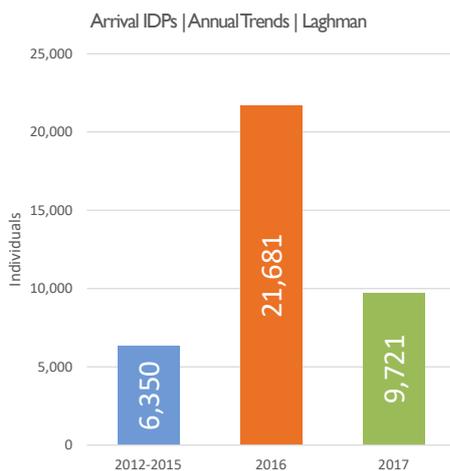
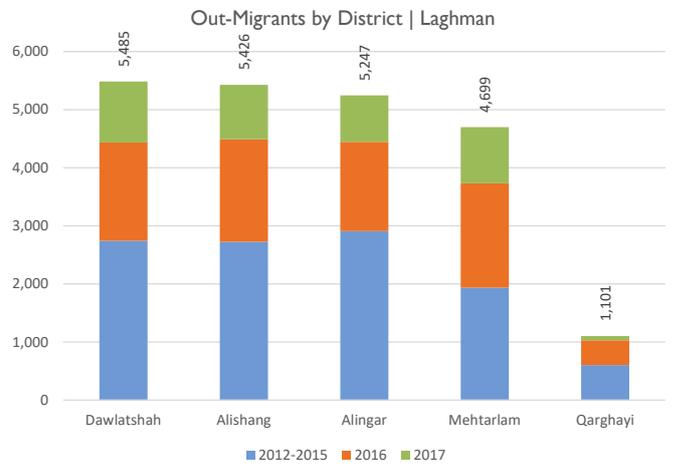
Out-Migrants are Afghans who have moved or fled abroad from the assessed location, whatever the cause, reason or duration of expatriation. This category includes refugees, displaced and uprooted people, and economic migrants who have left Afghanistan.

**21,958**  
fled abroad

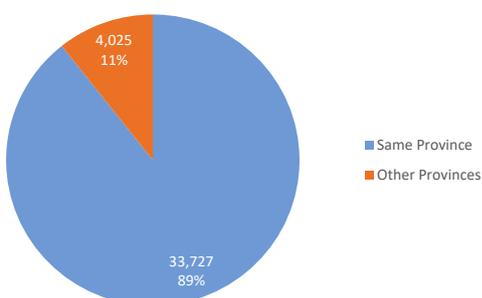
**3,392**  
fled to Europe (15%)

**14,224**  
fled to Iran (65%)

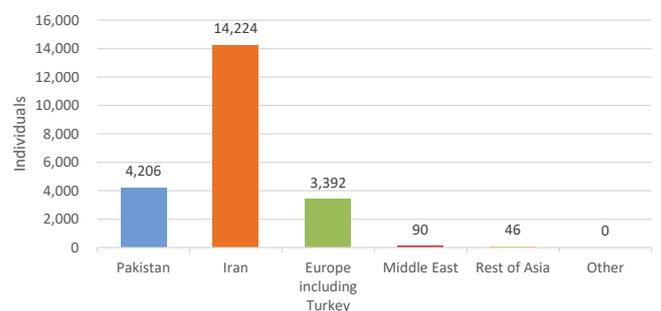
**4,206**  
fled to Pakistan (19%)



Arrival IDPs by Province of Origin | Laghman



Out-Migrants by Country/Region of Destination | Laghman



Displaced Individuals in all 5 Target Populations | Summary Overview by District

District	*Base Population	Total Inflow (Returnees + Arrival IDPs)	% of Pop.	Returnees	% of Pop.	Returnee IDPs	% of Pop.	Arrival IDPs	% of Pop.	Fled IDPs	% of Pop.	Out Migrants	% of Pop.
Alingar	100,383	41,518	29%	36,713	26%	1,491	1%	4,805	3%	49,143	49%	5,247	5%
Alishang	74,037	12,027	14%	9,186	11%	3,880	5%	2,841	3%	9,448	13%	5,426	7%
Dawlatshah	34,518	12,022	26%	9,179	20%	6,344	18%	2,843	6%	7,554	22%	5,485	16%
Mehtarlam	134,576	36,896	22%	13,996	8%	1,128	1%	22,900	13%	22,138	16%	4,699	3%
Qarghayi	101,724	28,028	22%	23,665	18%	0	0%	4,363	3%	505	0%	1,101	1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>445,238</b>	<b>130,491</b>	<b>23%</b>	<b>92,739</b>	<b>16%</b>	<b>12,843</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>37,752</b>	<b>7%</b>	<b>88,788</b>	<b>20%</b>	<b>21,958</b>	<b>5%</b>

\* Base Population source: OCHA, CSO Population Estimates for 2016 to 2017, 15-AUG-2016

Symbology: > 20% of base population

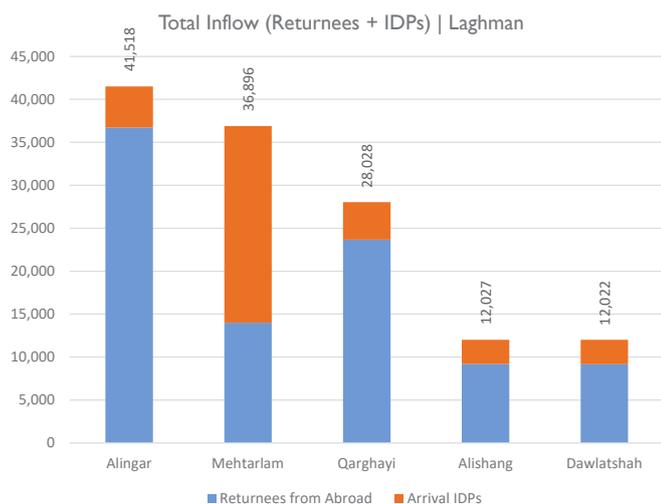
Total Inflow (Returnees + IDPs) | Summary by District

District	Returnees	Arrival IDPs	Total Inflow
Alingar	36,713	4,805	41,518
Mehtarlam	13,996	22,900	36,896
Qarghayi	23,665	4,363	28,028
Alishang	9,186	2,841	12,027
Dawlatshah	9,179	2,843	12,022
<b>Total</b>	<b>92,739</b>	<b>37,752</b>	<b>130,491</b>

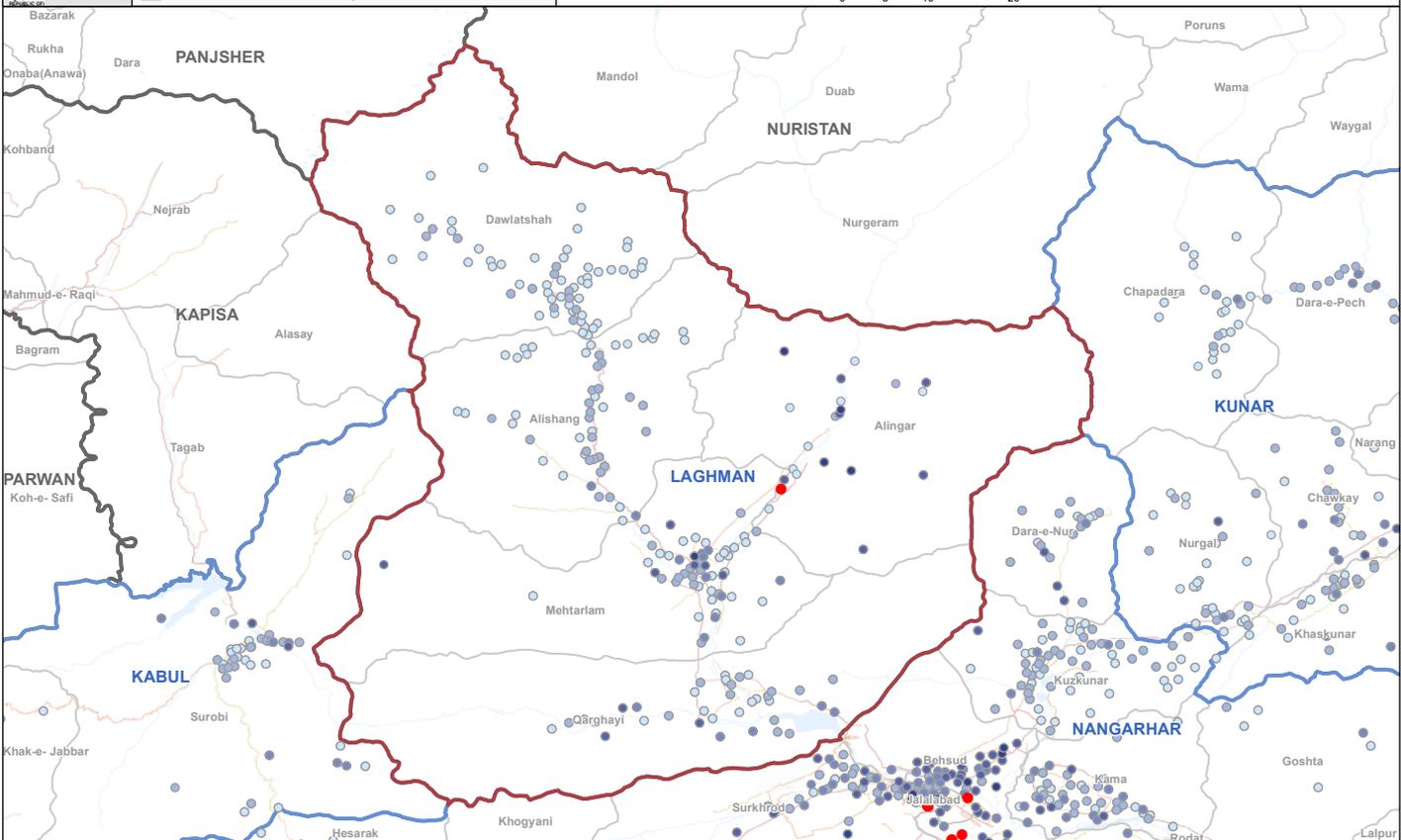
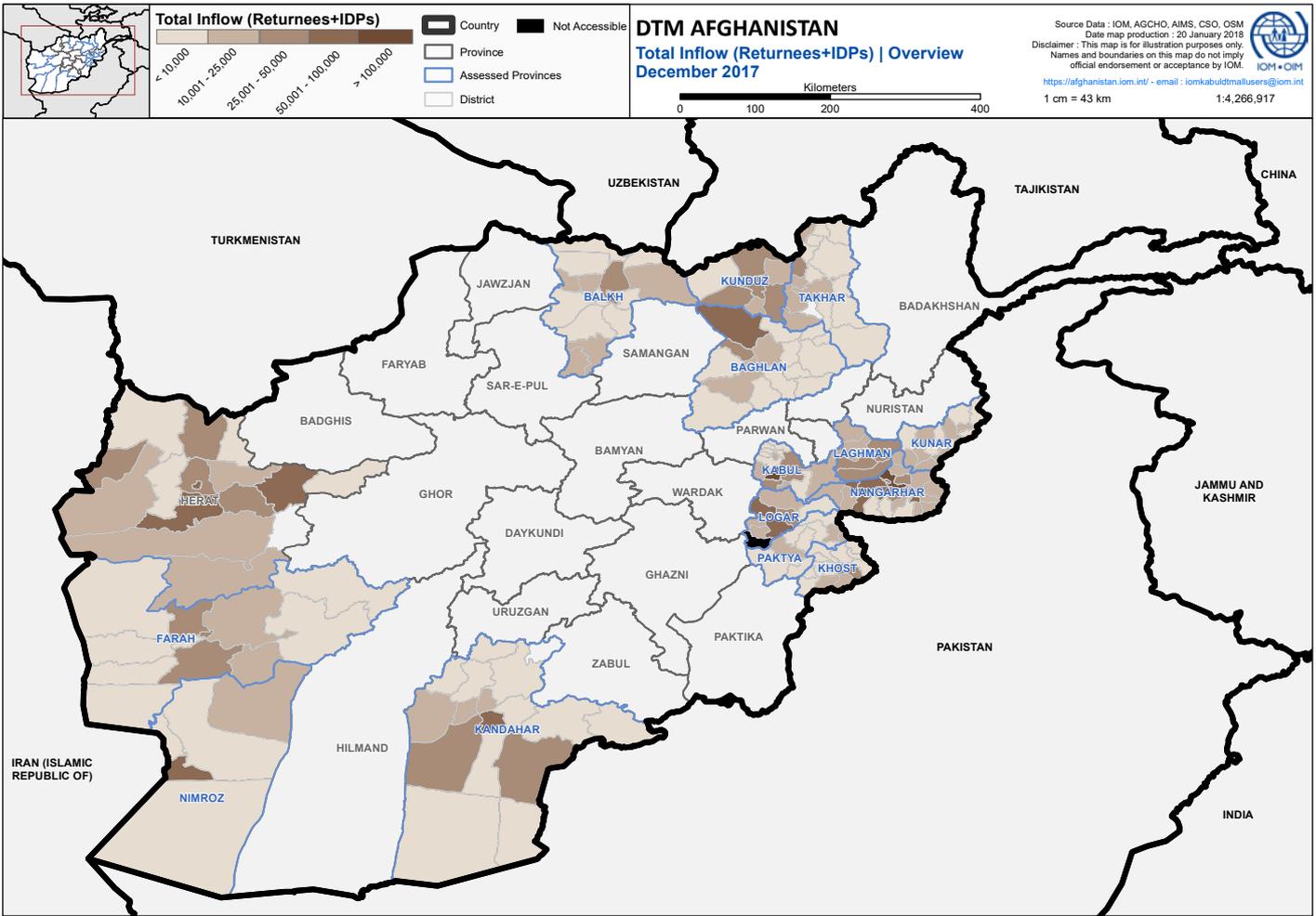
The below table shows the 20 settlements in Laghman that are most severely affected by influxes of IDPs and returnees. Overall, these 20 settlements (10% of all assessed settlements in the province) host 55% of the total provincial inflow. This demonstrates a high concentration of IDPs and returnees within specific settlements. The most affected settlement is Tag, in Alingar, which hosts 9,013 IDPs and returnees. Accordingly, Alingar, in the east of the province, is the most affected district, hosting 32% of total inflow. This is in spite of the fact that only 10 settlements were assessed within this district, as compared to an average of 50 settlements over the other four assessed districts of Laghman.

Top 20 settlements hosting the most Returnees + IDPs

Rank	Settlement	District	Individuals
1	Tag	Alingar	9,013
2	Tangor Shor Abad	Alingar	5,284
3	Meya Khail Sufla	Alingar	5,222
4	Yunus Chok- 2 Nahya	Mehtarlam	5,052
5	Shahraki Mahajeren	Qarghayi	4,630
6	Alo Khail	Alingar	4,181
7	Parwa'i	Alingar	3,891
8	Dahi Baghalak	Mehtarlam	3,821
9	Zerani Hulya	Qarghayi	3,550
10	Chopan	Alingar	3,433
11	Alinigar Makazi Wolluswaly	Alingar	3,430
12	Kaho	Alingar	3,034
13	Wara Gala	Qarghayi	2,800
14	Nooralam	Alingar	2,575
15	Tarakhel	Mehtarlam	2,511
16	Shergar	Mehtarlam	2,200
17	Mehtarlam	Mehtarlam	2,156
18	Aziz Khan Kalay	Qarghayi	1,901
19	Zango Abdul Arhim Zai	Qarghayi	1,779
20	Ali Khail	Mehtarlam	1,738
	<b>Total</b>		<b>72,201</b>



A line of IDP tents running along the Qarghayi district of Laghman © IOM 2017



## TOP 5 DISTRICTS

Evidence-based prioritization is essential to the delivery of better targeted assistance and basic services. DTM provides partners with lists of priority areas in most need of assistance, based on a variety of sectoral indicators, at Province, District and Settlement levels.

(NOTE: The number of individuals reported below is based on the Total Inflow: IDPs + Returnees)

### TOP 5 Districts with the most Returnees and IDPs (Returnees + IDPs)

Rank	District	Individuals
1	Alingar	41,518
2	Mehtarlam	36,896
3	Qarghayi	28,028
4	Alishang	12,027
5	Dawlatshah	12,022
<b>Grand Total</b>		<b>130,491</b>

### TOP 5 in need of Shelter (IDPs + Returnees living in Tents or in the Open Air)

Rank	District	Individuals
1	Qarghayi	4,450
2	Alingar	3,482
3	Mehtarlam	2,025
4	Alishang	83
5	N/A	N/A
<b>Grand Total</b>		<b>10,040</b>

### TOP 4 in need of Water (potable water > 3 km away)

Rank	District	Individuals
1	Mehtarlam	1,302
2	Alishang	215
3	N/A	N/A
4	N/A	N/A
5	N/A	N/A
<b>Grand Total</b>		<b>1,517</b>

### TOP 5 in need of Clinics (nearest clinic > 5 km away)

Rank	District	Individuals
1	Qarghayi	2,991
2	Mehtarlam	2,888
3	Alingar	2,575
4	Dawlatshah	975
5	Alishang	484
<b>Grand Total</b>		<b>9,913</b>

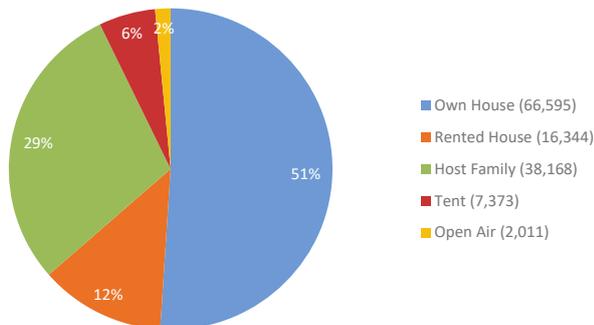
### TOP 5 in need of Schools (nearest school > 3 km away)

Rank	District	Individuals
1	Qarghayi	3,419
2	Mehtarlam	725
3	Alishang	713
4	Dawlatshah	176
5	N/A	N/A
<b>Grand Total</b>		<b>5,033</b>

### TOP 5 in need of Markets (nearest market > 10 km away)

Rank	District	Individuals
1	Alingar	24,087
2	Dawlatshah	11,528
3	Alishang	10,258
4	Qarghayi	1,449
5	Mehtarlam	483
<b>Grand Total</b>		<b>47,805</b>

Total Inflow (Returnees+IDPs) | Shelter | Laghman



## STORIES FROM THE DISPLACED

### BORN AND RAISED IN PAKISTAN, BUT RETURNEES TO AFGHANISTAN

Farid Nabi is an Afghan was born in Peshawar, Pakistan and had grown up in Kacha Garhi refugee camp. He is married with three daughters and a son who were all also born in Pakistan. In 2017, Pakistani officials apprehended him for having incorrect documents. He was arrested and sent to jail, where he remained for 45 days. During this time, Farid tells us that his family had no knowledge of his whereabouts and he worried that they might presume him dead.

Given the protracted nature of the Afghan conflict, many Afghans have spent their entire lives in Pakistan. Many of whom, like Farid, are born in raised in the country. Despite this, without appropriate documentation (which can be hard to obtain), they are at high risk of deportation and police harassment.

After Farid's release, he was deported to the Afghan side of the Torkham border. By the time he managed to get back to Pakistan to reunite with his family, Farid tells us that he was met by police violence and intimidation. As such, the family decided to move back to their home province of Laghman, Afghanistan- a place that they had visited, but never lived in.

*Between 2012 and 2017, almost 80,000 Afghan nationals have returned from Pakistan to Laghman.*

Back in Laghman, Farid is disheartened by the living conditions, and fears for his family's present and future situation. "The life is here is so different compared to Pakistan," Farid explains. "We had a lot of services in Pakistan and life was much cheaper. But, that doesn't worry me the most. The thing that I am most worried about is that my children cannot go to schools here."

*Our DTM reporting team found that the most significant obstacles to school attendance in Laghman are distance, affordability, and culture prohibiting female attendance in schools.*



Farid is one of the many Afghans who have returned from Pakistan after experiencing harrasment and abuse by officials.

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## ANNEX I ▪ TOP 200 SETTLEMENTS

RANKED BY TOTAL IN-FLOW [RETURNEES + IDPS]

Rank	District	Settlement	Total In-Flow	Rank	District	Settlement	Total In-Flow
1	Alingar	Tag	9,013	53	Qarghayi	Gunda Ghar	464
2	Alingar	Tangor Shor Abad	5,284	54	Qarghayi	Surkhakan	460
3	Alingar	Meya Khail Sufla	5,222	55	Dawlatshah	Gadyala	450
4	Mehtarlam	Yunus Chok- 2 Nahya	5,052	56	Dawlatshah	Paitak	438
5	Qarghayi	Shahraki Mahajeren	4,630	57	Alishang	Masmood Bala	426
6	Alingar	Alo Khail	4,181	58	Mehtarlam	Maryam Kora	425
7	Alingar	Parwa'i	3,891	59	Mehtarlam	Gularam	410
8	Mehtarlam	Dahi Baghalak	3,821	60	Alishang	Dera Meya Sahib	409
9	Qarghayi	Zerani Hulya	3,550	61	Alishang	Gul Ahmad Markaz Wolluswaly	397
10	Alingar	Chopan	3,433	62	Dawlatshah	Awalak	393
11	Alingar	Alinigar Makazi Wolluswaly	3,430	63	Alishang	Qala Najel	385
12	Alingar	Kaho	3,034	64	Alishang	Gar Gar	376
13	Qarghayi	Wara Gala	2,800	65	Alishang	Alishang	371
14	Alingar	Nooralam	2,575	66	Qarghayi	Meya Khan Kas Sufla	370
15	Mehtarlam	Tarakhel	2,511	67	Qarghayi	Mandor	358
16	Mehtarlam	Shergar	2,200	68	Dawlatshah	Bala Dahi	351
17	Mehtarlam	Mehtarlam	2,156	69	Mehtarlam	Seh Sada	350
18	Qarghayi	Aziz Khan Kalay	1,901	70	Alishang	Masmood Payen	348
19	Qarghayi	Zango Abdul Arhim Zai	1,779	71	Mehtarlam	Pasha Ye	345
20	Mehtarlam	Ali Khail	1,738	72	Dawlatshah	Bangari	344
21	Qarghayi	Balo Kalay	1,518	73	Qarghayi	Dahandar	336
22	Mehtarlam	Panj Pai Mir Ali Khail	1,459	74	Dawlatshah	Noora	329
23	Alingar	Baylam	1,455	75	Dawlatshah	Domer	321
24	Qarghayi	Zerani Sufla	1,449	76	Mehtarlam	Gulkari	310
25	Mehtarlam	Muhammad Zai	1,302	77	Dawlatshah	Atorow	309
26	Mehtarlam	Haidar Khani Payen	1,217	78	Dawlatshah	Chandal	304
27	Qarghayi	Gambiri	1,200	79	Alishang	Shamsha Khail	303
28	Mehtarlam	Gumayn	1,140	80	Dawlatshah	Dawlat Shah Markaz Wolluswaly	299
29	Mehtarlam	Qala Daman	1,135	81	Dawlatshah	Khando	298
30	Mehtarlam	Shamangal	1,050	82	Alishang	Kasegar	290
31	Alishang	Islam Abad	982	83	Mehtarlam	Harmal	288
32	Mehtarlam	Chehelmati	965	84	Alishang	Paradoly	287
33	Mehtarlam	Now Abad	890	85	Alishang	Gul Ota	282
34	Qarghayi	Sar Feraz Khan	708	86	Dawlatshah	Neil Khan	278
35	Mehtarlam	Maskura	707	87	Qarghayi	Surukh Sqangi	278
36	Qarghayi	Now Abad (1)	700	88	Mehtarlam	Wakil Abad	277
37	Qarghayi	Surkh Abi	635	89	Dawlatshah	Mara	274
38	Qarghayi	Kala Lan	622	90	Dawlatshah	Lambri	272
39	Qarghayi	Char Bagh	584	91	Mehtarlam	Kutab Zai	265
40	Qarghayi	Kamal Pur	581	92	Alishang	Saber Abad	264
41	Mehtarlam	Char Dahi	576	93	Dawlatshah	Kail	264
42	Mehtarlam	Khala Khail	565	94	Alishang	Shamram	257
43	Qarghayi	Mansoor Kalay	549	95	Alishang	Katoly	256
44	Mehtarlam	Kota Tour	507	96	Mehtarlam	Tirgari	255
45	Alishang	Ghazi Abad	500	97	Mehtarlam	Nelowat	248
46	Dawlatshah	Wais	494	98	Dawlatshah	Angosh	245
47	Mehtarlam	Dahi Malakh	493	99	Alishang	Rahen	244
48	Qarghayi	Peroz Abad	493	100	Mehtarlam	Kala Kot	243
49	Alishang	Shakar Man	484	101	Alishang	Jamshed Abad	236
50	Mehtarlam	Qala Shaikhan	475	102	Alishang	Taely	234
51	Mehtarlam	Wardak	472	103	Alishang	Salo	232
52	Mehtarlam	Dahi Zeyarat	468	104	Qarghayi	Ghondi	232

Rank	District	Settlement	Total In-Flow	Rank	District	Settlement	Total In-Flow
105	Dawlatshah	Chakar Kani Bala	230	163	Dawlatshah	Shad Mir	142
106	Qarghayi	Gula Khail	226	164	Mehtarlam	Chand Lam	140
107	Mehtarlam	Shariullah Kalay	225	165	Dawlatshah	Suliman Kacha	139
108	Dawlatshah	Rendi	223	166	Dawlatshah	Oshandi	138
109	Qarghayi	Ka Kas	220	167	Dawlatshah	Darata	137
110	Mehtarlam	Umar Zayee	218	168	Mehtarlam	Qala Khan	136
111	Alishang	Hussain Zai	216	169	Dawlatshah	Shahi	133
112	Alishang	Darwesh Abad	215	170	Dawlatshah	Darangi	133
113	Dawlatshah	Zhorandi	214	171	Alishang	Khando	132
114	Dawlatshah	Malangani	213	172	Alishang	Manjelam	132
115	Dawlatshah	Meyou	210	173	Dawlatshah	Darana Zari	131
116	Qarghayi	Sawatay	210	174	Mehtarlam	Mohammad Khail	131
117	Alishang	Qalage	209	175	Dawlatshah	Sarak Watoch	129
118	Dawlatshah	Kulalan	209	176	Mehtarlam	Alishing	128
119	Alishang	Barakzai	201	177	Alishang	Khandly	123
120	Alishang	Karandaly	201	178	Dawlatshah	Koshak	123
121	Alishang	Ahangaroto	200	179	Dawlatshah	Asharbagh	123
122	Dawlatshah	Tambala	200	180	Dawlatshah	Bochani	122
123	Dawlatshah	Nala	199	181	Alishang	Kotta	119
124	Alishang	Shama	196	182	Dawlatshah	Chashedar	119
125	Alishang	Watan Gato	193	183	Dawlatshah	Manan Gor	117
126	Mehtarlam	Gul Baila	191	184	Mehtarlam	Nallaye	117
127	Qarghayi	Gardi Kas	191	185	Alishang	Najel	116
128	Qarghayi	Ibrahim Khail	186	186	Alishang	Shella Gul	116
129	Alishang	Nooram Hulya	184	187	Mehtarlam	Kachor	113
130	Dawlatshah	Mangal Pour	183	188	Dawlatshah	Now Safa	104
131	Dawlatshah	Gaman Dok	182	189	Dawlatshah	Bar Khando	103
132	Dawlatshah	Korangal	180	190	Qarghayi	Dahmazang	99
133	Alishang	Boteyan	176	191	Mehtarlam	Abozai	98
134	Alishang	Noori Hulya	176	192	Dawlatshah	Makel	96
135	Dawlatshah	Obra	176	193	Dawlatshah	Shair Bakami	95
136	Alishang	Najlam	175	194	Dawlatshah	Kashlam	92
137	Dawlatshah	Gosh Dor	175	195	Dawlatshah	Ganda Gar	90
138	Mehtarlam	Bagh Mirza	175	196	Mehtarlam	Baila	86
139	Qarghayi	Khairo Khail	175	197	Dawlatshah	Ab Too	84
140	Alishang	Andara	174	198	Dawlatshah	Kolal Kott	77
141	Alishang	Palak Wato	173	199	Alishang	Qandala	76
142	Dawlatshah	Kark	172	200	Dawlatshah	Khanda Low	76
143	Qarghayi	Qala Rahim	172				
144	Dawlatshah	Masmote	169				
145	Dawlatshah	Khojal Khando	169				
146	Alishang	Manjan	167				
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153	Qarghayi	Farman Khail (1)	158				
154	Alishang	Kunchan	152				
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157	Dawlatshah	Mash Kundi	148				
158	Alishang	Bam Hussain Hulya	147				
159	Dawlatshah	Atak Chakla	147				
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161	Qarghayi	Mashena	145				
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