

DROUGHT RESPONSE SITUATION REPORT

HERAT + BADGHIS
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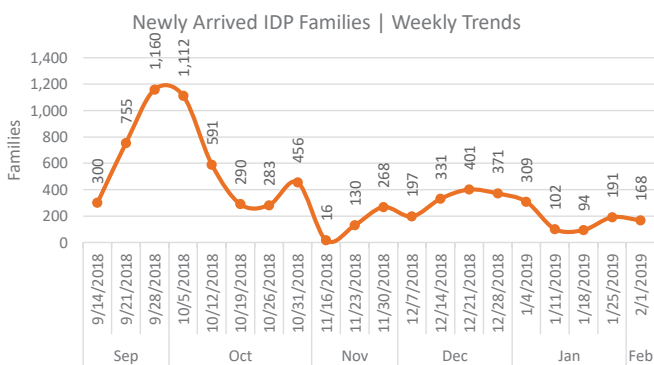


An IDP family from Badghis, en route to Herat City, registers at IOM's Flow Monitoring Point in Armalek. © IOM 2019

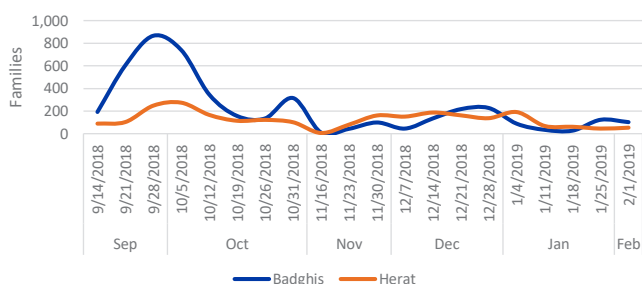
Through Flow Monitoring Points (FMPs) installed on major routes connecting to Herat City, IOM's Displacement Tracking Matrix (DTM) has been monitoring inflows of drought-affected IDPs, since 9 September 2018. DTM identifies and registers only newly arriving IDPs, provides IDP Cards to registered families, and shares the information with World Food Programme and humanitarian partners to facilitate onward registration of newly-arriving IDPs into humanitarian assistance programmes. DTM also tracks the outflow of IDPs from Herat City returning to their places of origin or into secondary displacement.

WEEKLY TRENDS

Inflows of newly-arrived IDPs peaked at over 1,100 families per week in the week of 28 September and 5 October. There was a sharp, 74% decrease from 5 to 19 October. There was a modest spike of 456 families recorded in the last 5 days of October. Due to funding limitations, DTM discontinued activities from 1 to 15 November, after which inflows remained relatively low at an average 300 families per week, further decreasing to 100 families per week after 4 January. Recently, there was a nominal increase to almost 200 families, predominantly from Badghis.



Newly Arrived IDP Families | Weekly Trends by Province of Origin | Herat vs. Badghis



HIGHLIGHTS · HERAT

The results presented in this report are cumulative from 9 September 2018, when DTM commenced flow monitoring in Herat.



3 Flow Monitoring Points (FMPs) at Armalek, Rabat Sangi, and Chaharsoy Guzara



35,765 (7,532 families) IDPs enumerated across all FMPs (inflow + outflow)



4.7 average family size



31,815 (6,872 families) arriving IDPs displaced by drought (89% of all IDPs)



3,775 (631 families) arriving IDPs displaced by conflict (11% of all IDPs)



28,082 (6,204 families) arriving IDPs' intended destination is Injil district (79%)

19,229 (4,504 families) arriving IDPs are from Badghis province (54%)



23,270 (5,322 families) arriving IDPs intend to live in tents or in the open air (65%)



22,071 (4,635 families) arriving IDPs do not intend to return home (62%)



47 (7 families) secondarily displaced or returned home (0.13%)

IDPs (In-Flow + Out-Flow) | Reason for Displacement

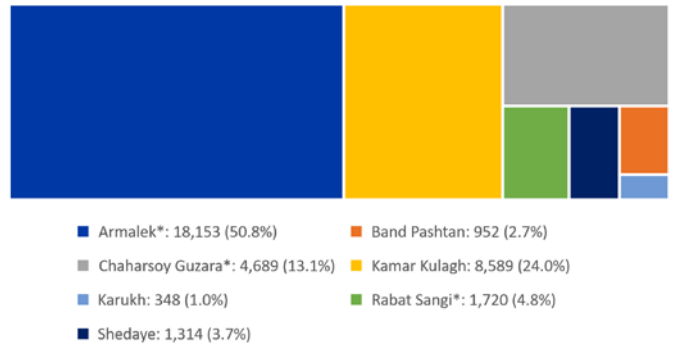
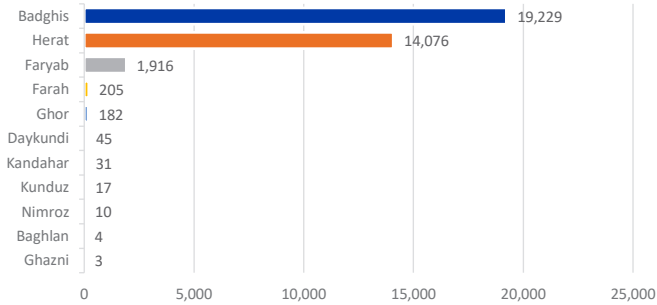


■ Drought: 31,815 (89.0%)
 ■ Flood: 14 (0.0%)
 ■ Other Natural Disaster: 114 (0.3%)
 ■ Conflict: 3,775 (10.6%)
 ■ Return: 37 (0.1%)
 ■ Secondary Displacement: 10 (0.0%)

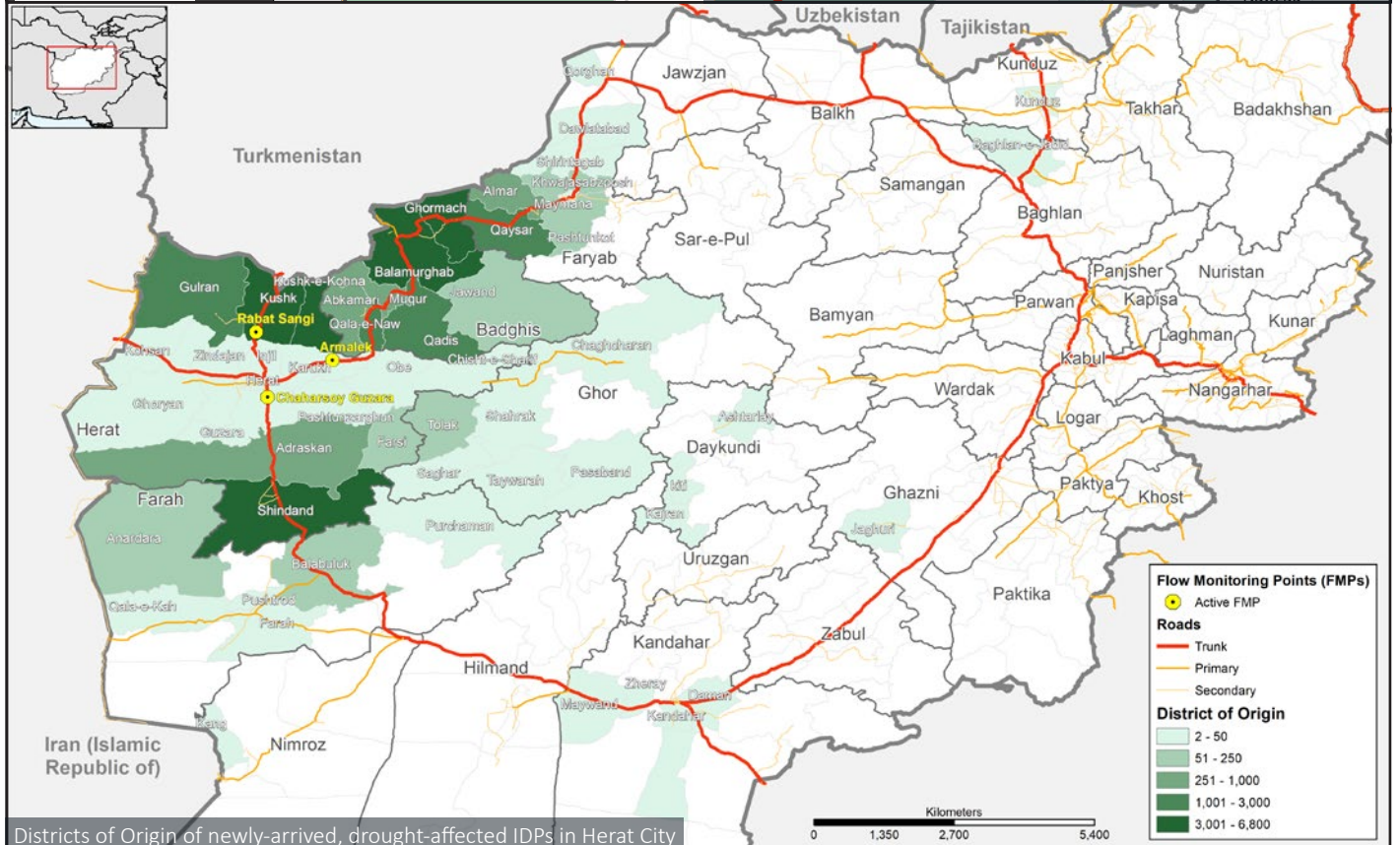
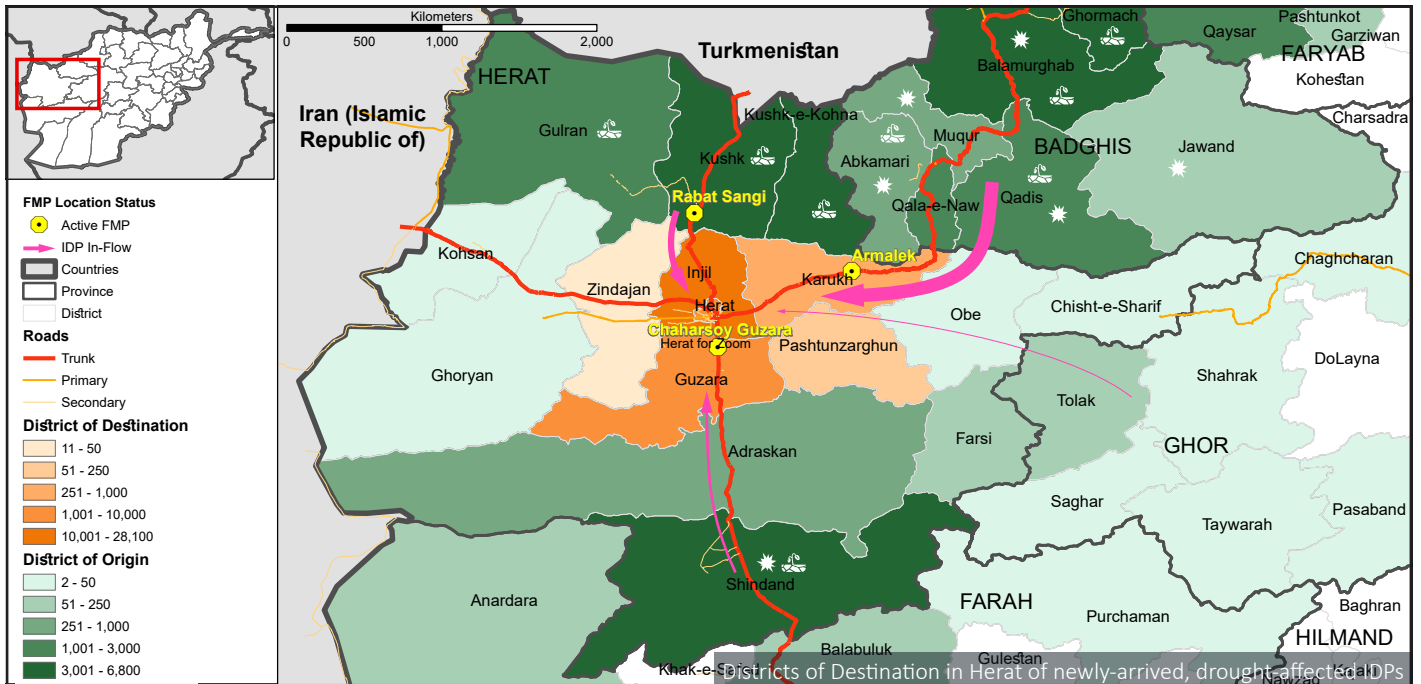
ORIGIN & DESTINATION

IDPs (In-Flow + Out-Flow) | Registrations per FMP

Newly-Arrived IDPs | Province of Origin

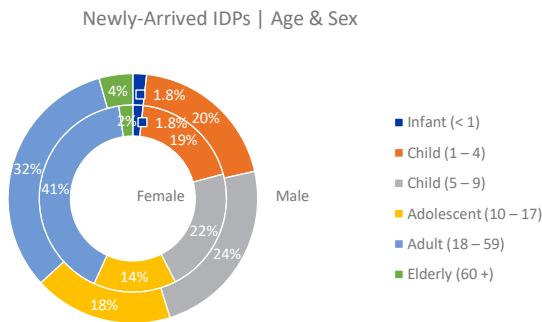
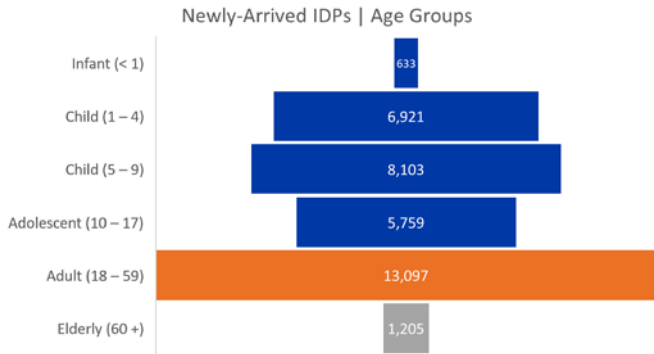


* currently active FMP; other FMPs were closed due to security concerns



SEX & AGE COMPOSITION

Children and adolescents under the age of 18 represent 60% (21,416) of the newly arrived IDPs, among which 7,554 (21%) are under 5 years old. The male to female ratio is close to even, with only 540 (2%) more females than males.



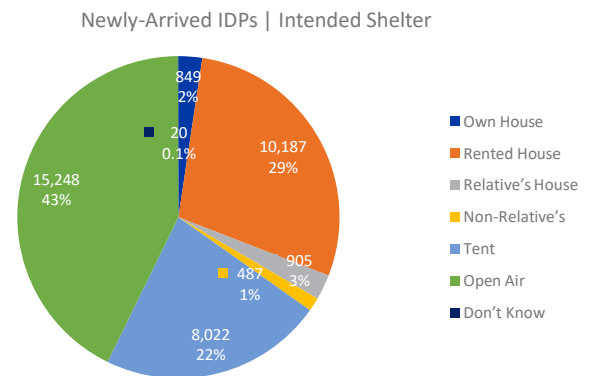
Age Group	Female	Male	Total	% of Total
Infant (< 1)	321	312	633	2%
Child (1 – 4)	3,450	3,471	6,921	19%
Child (5 – 9)	3,938	4,165	8,103	23%
Adolescent (10 – 17)	2,590	3,169	5,759	16%
Adult (18 – 59)	7,393	5,704	13,097	37%
Elderly (60 +)	437	768	1,205	3%
Grand Total	18,129	17,589	35,718	

SPECIFIC NEEDS

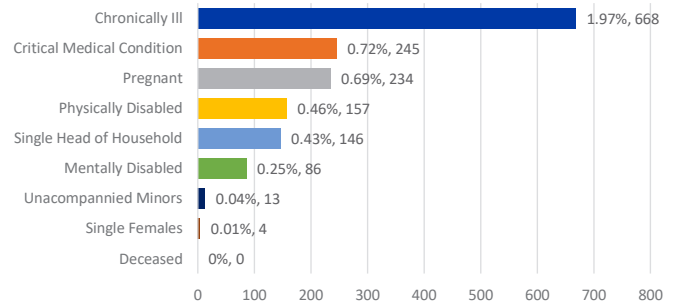
Shelter continues to be a prevailing need of IDPs upon arrival to IDP settings. An alarming 23,270 IDPs (65%) intend to live in tents or in the open air.

Among the newly-arrived IDPs, there were 1,553 (5%) cases with specific needs registered to date. The most numerous cases include 668 chronically ill, 245 with critical medical conditions, 234 pregnant or lactating women, and 157 physically disabled.

The vast majority (30,966 or 87%) of registered IDPs claimed to have no official identification documents, such as a tazkira. Only 4,755 IDPs had a tazkira available at the time of registration with DTM, although many families present tazkiras when they register for WFP's food assistance SCOPE card.



All IDPs (In-Flow + Out-Flow) | Specific Needs



Newly arrived IDPs from Kushk-e-Kohna district, Herat pitch makeshift tents at an informal IDP settlement in Sheidayee, Herat City. © IOM 2019

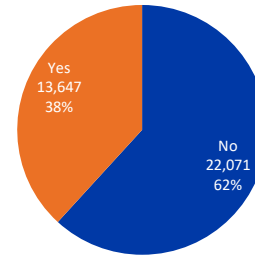
RETURN INTENTIONS

RETURN INTENTIONS AT TIME OF ARRIVAL IN HERAT

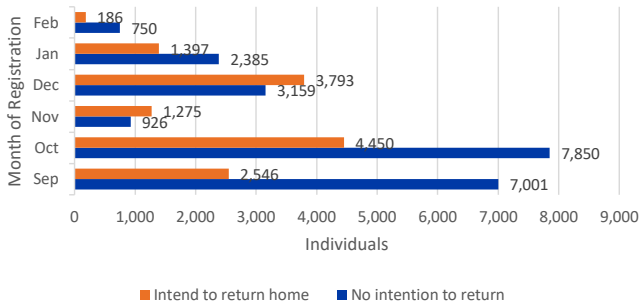
Upon arrival in Herat City, overall, 62% (22,071) of newly-arriving IDPs express no intention to return to their places of origin. With the exception of IDPs who arrived in November and December, where 56% indicated they were more likely to return, 70% of IDPs are more likely not to return to their places of origin.

At the time of arrival, an overwhelming 81% (28,868) of IDPs indicated that they were undecided about when they will return to their places of origin, with 16% (5,756) intending to return within 4 to 6 months.

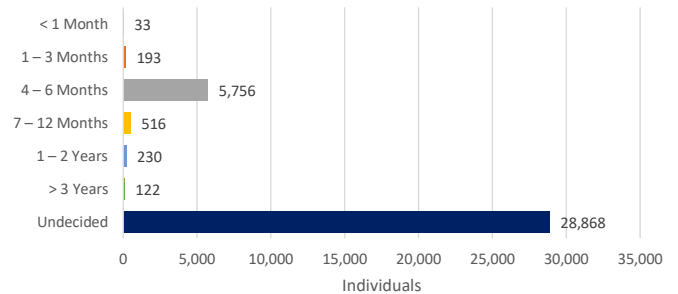
Newly-Arrived IDPs | Return Intention



Newly-Arrived IDPs | Return Intention by Month of Registration



Newly-Arrived IDPs | Intended Length of Stay

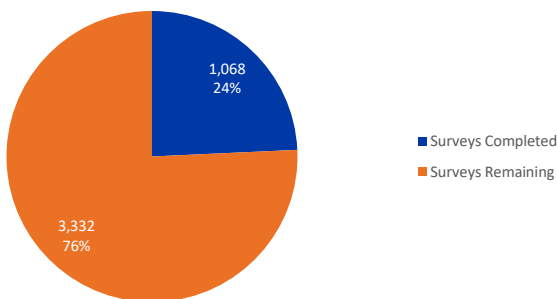


RETURN INTENTION SURVEY PRELIMINARY RESULTS

On 10 January 2019, DTM began conducting Return Intention surveys among IDPs living in informal settlements in Herat City and in Qala-e-Naw, Badghis. Developed with inter-cluster and partner inputs, DTM's return intention survey aims to identify the intentions, motivations and needs of IDPs to enable partners to develop assisted voluntary return packages and deliver sustainable solutions.

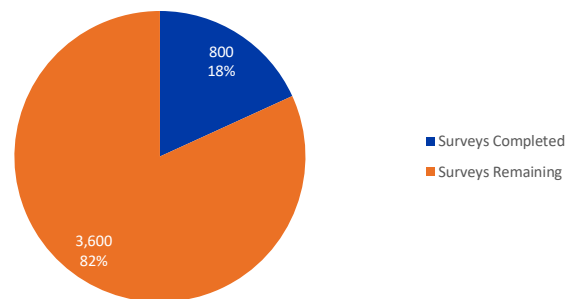
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Survey Progress | Herat (target = 4,400)



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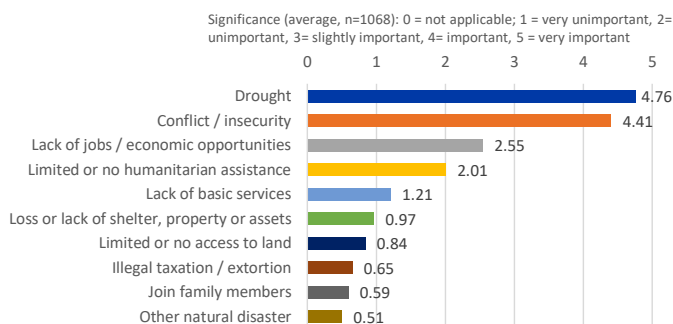
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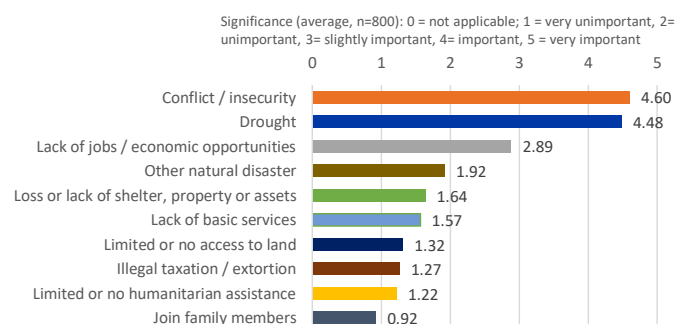
What are the MAIN reasons the first members of your household left your previous location / place of origin?

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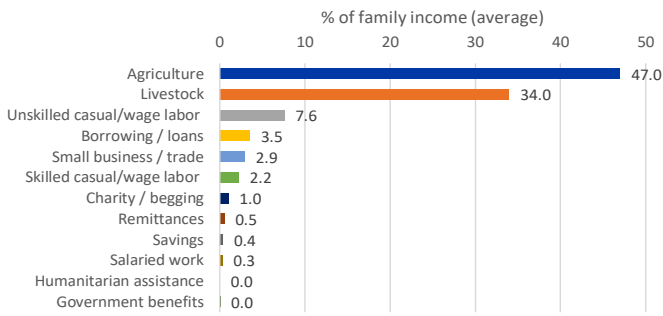
Reasons for Displacement from Place of Origin | Herat



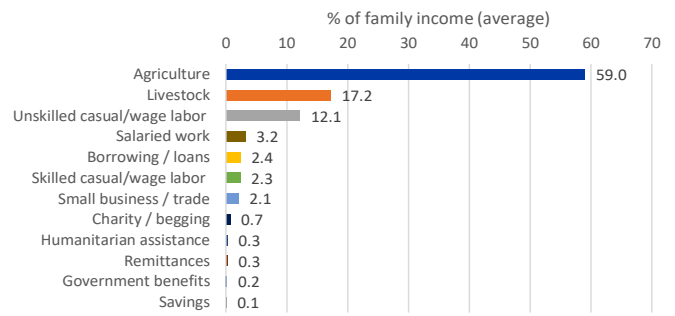
Reasons for Displacement from Place of Origin | Badghis



What were your family's main sources of income at your place of origin?
Main Sources of Income at Place of Origin | Herat



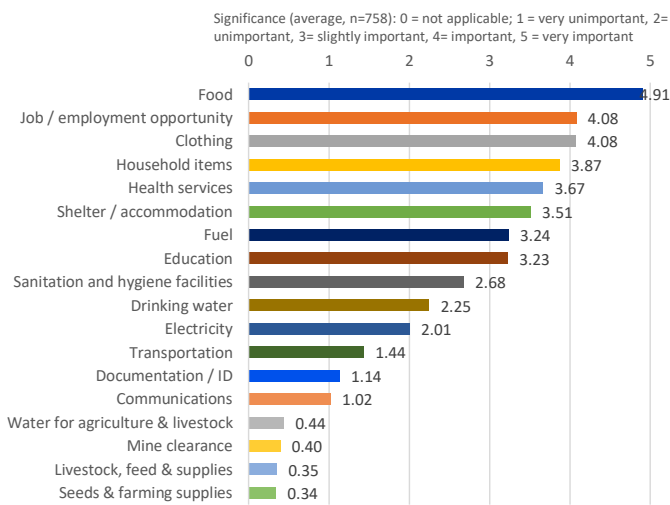
Main Sources of Income at Place of Origin | Badghis



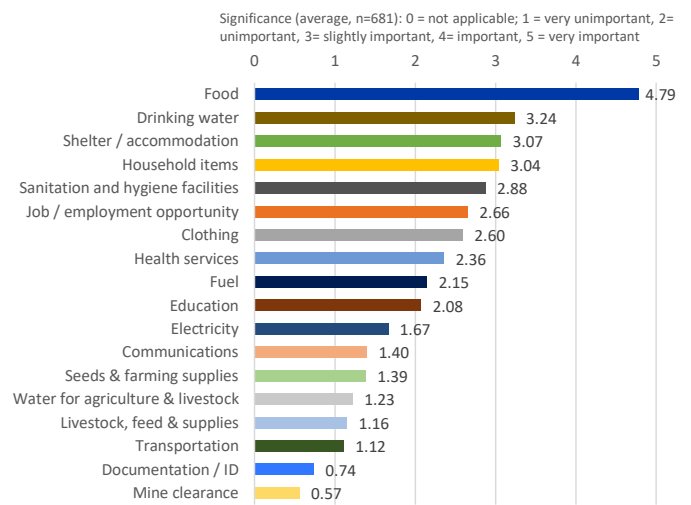
What are your current needs?

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Current Needs | Herat

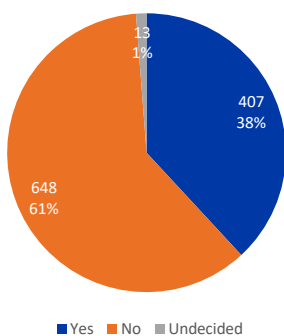


Current Needs | Badghis

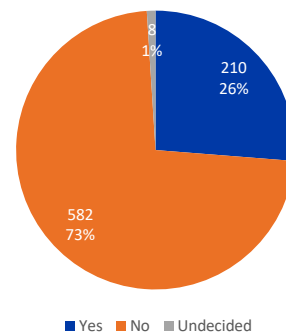


Would you be willing to temporarily relocate to a designated IDP site, when available?

Willingness to relocate to IDP site | Herat

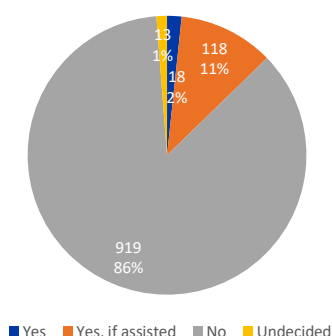


Willingness to relocate to IDP site | Badghis

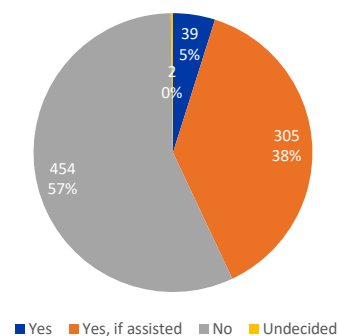


Would you consider renting an apartment or rooms (in your current location of displacement)?

Willingness to rent an apartment or rooms | Herat



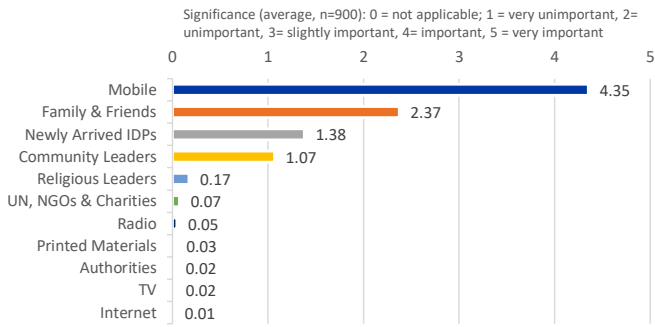
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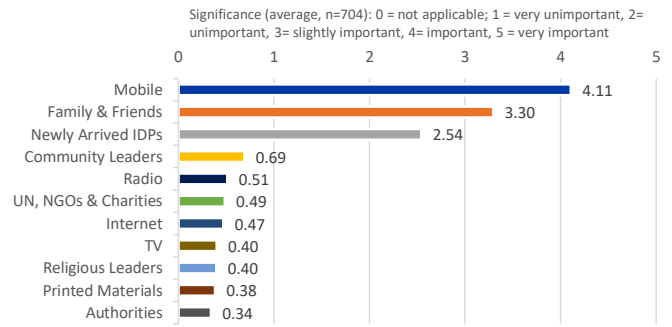
How does your household obtain information about your place of origin or place of resettlement?

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Information Sources on Place of Origin | Herat

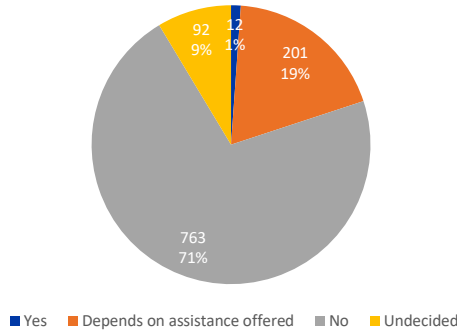


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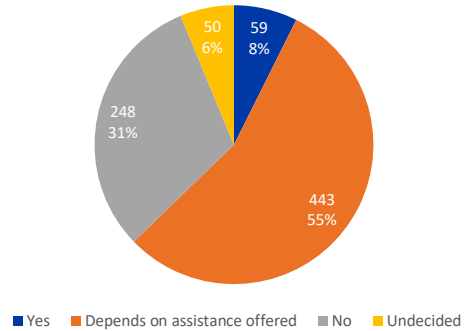


Would you consider an assisted voluntary return to your place of origin?

Assisted Voluntary Return Willingness | Herat

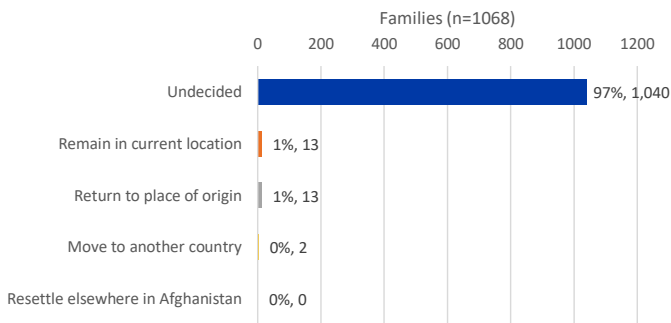


Assisted Voluntary Return Willingness | Badghis

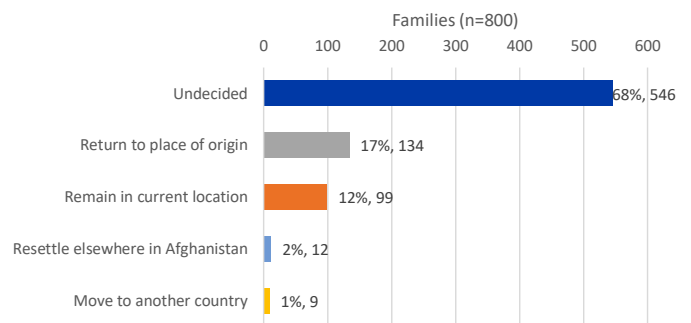


What is your household thinking about return, resettlement, or remaining at your current location?

Return Intention | Herat

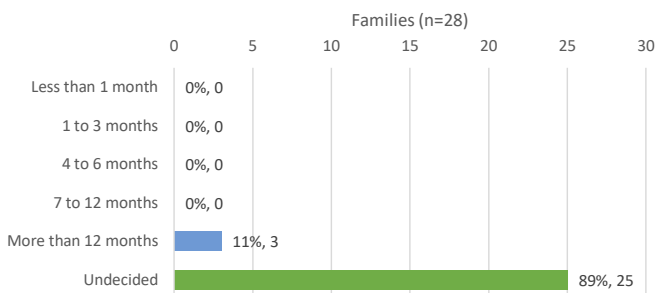


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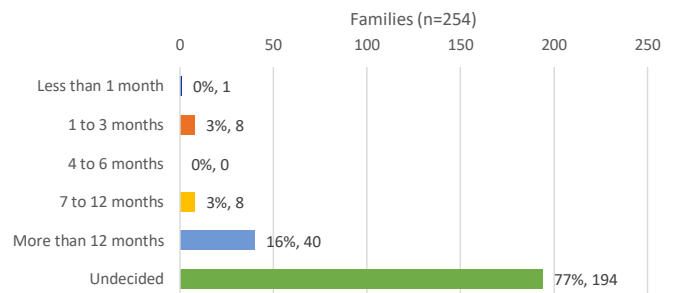


When do you think you will return to your place of origin, resettle to another location, or move to another country?

Return/Resettle/Remain | Length of stay in current location | Herat



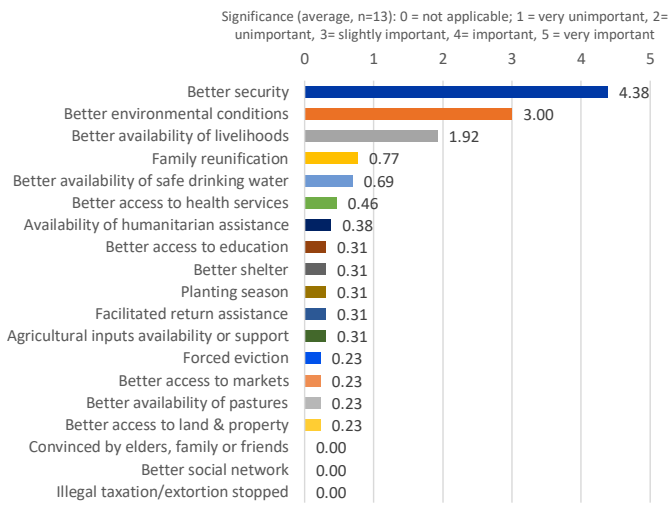
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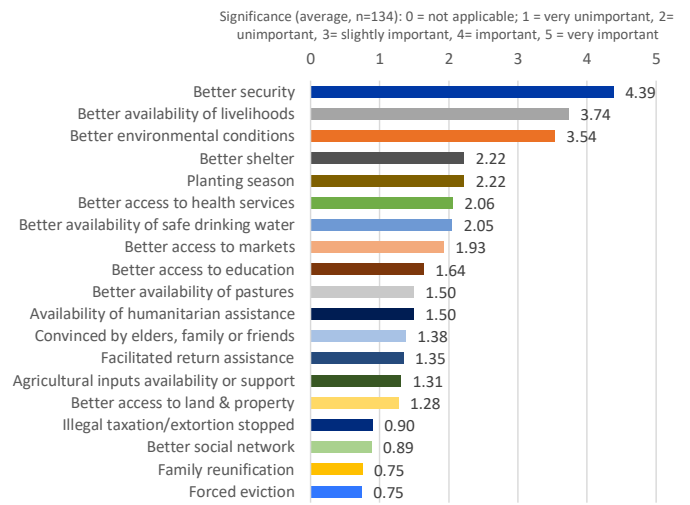
What are your household's MAIN reasons for deciding to return?

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Main reasons to RETURN to place of origin | Herat



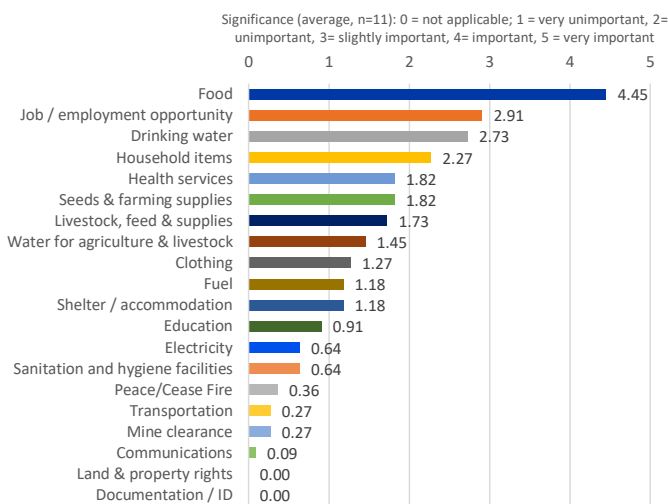
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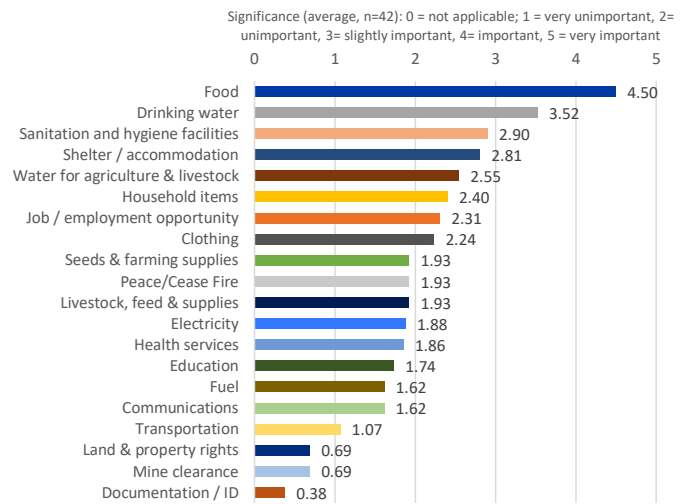
What will your household need in the location where you intend to return?

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Assistance needed to RETURN to place of origin | Herat

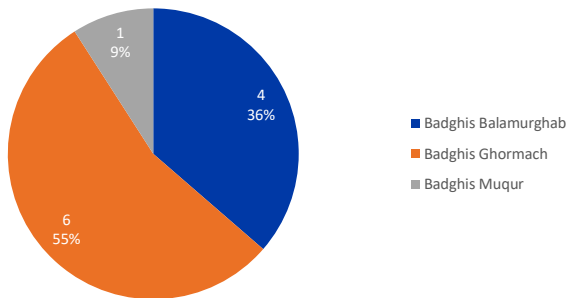


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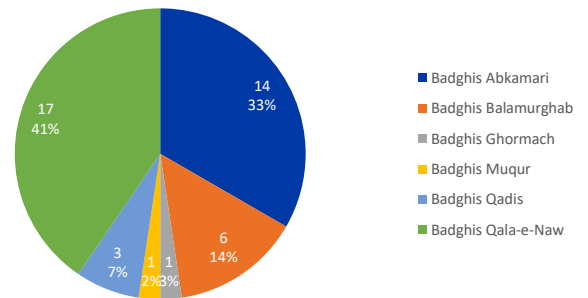


Districts of origin of families who intend to return with the above needs (see chart above).

RETURN families in need | Districts of Origin | Herat



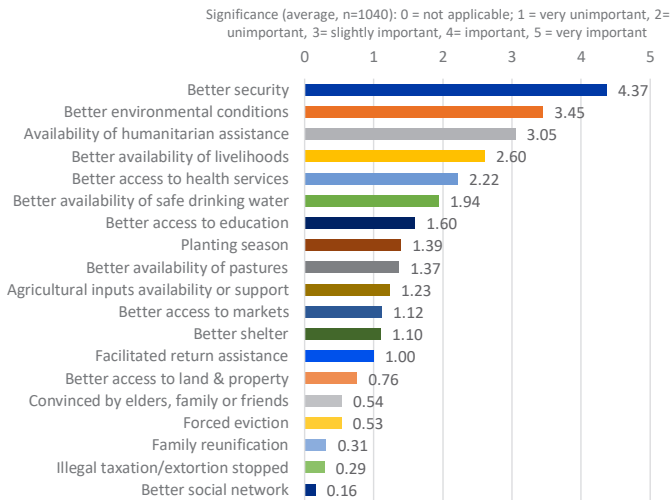
RETURN families in need | Districts of Origin | Badghis



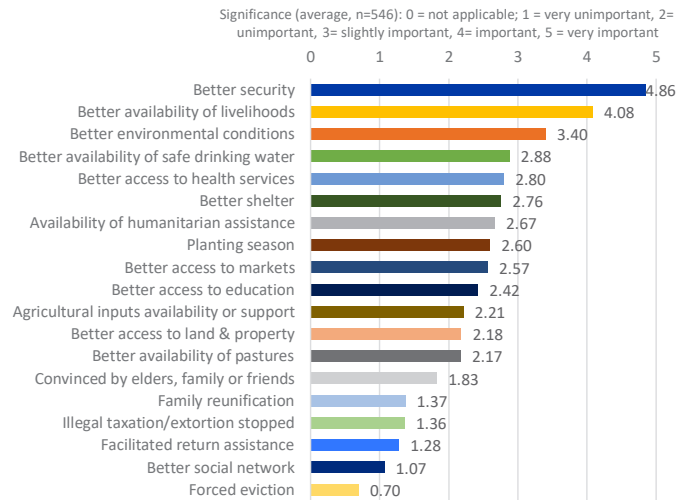
If Undecided, what would help you make a decision to return, resettle or remain?

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Main decision-making factors for UNDECIDED | Herat

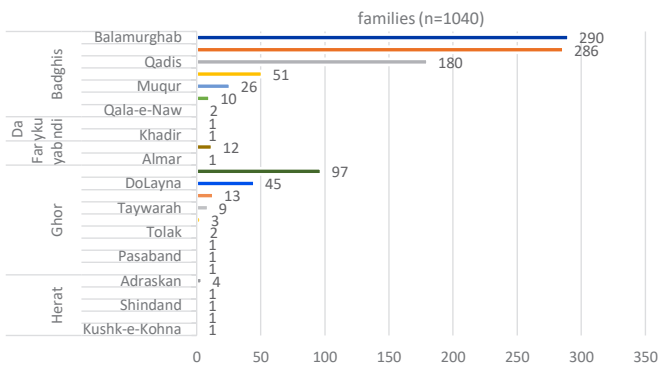


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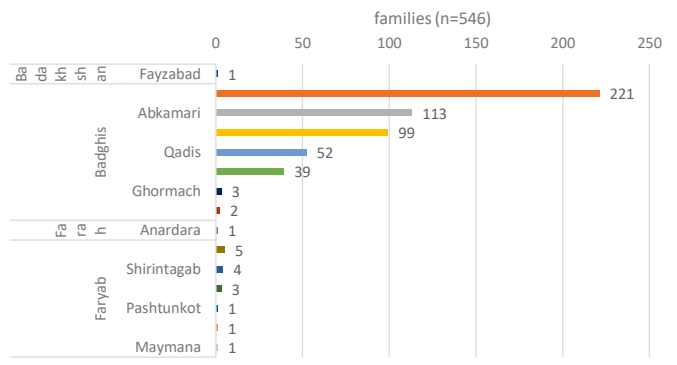


Districts of origin of families who are undecided on whether to return, resettle or remain.

UNDECIDED | Districts of Origin | Herat



UNDECIDED | Districts of Origin | Badghis



RESPONSE IMPLICATIONS

- Multi-dimensional drivers of displacement, such as conflict, drought, livelihoods, other natural disasters, and access to humanitarian assistance and basic services, show that a tailored response is required involving both humanitarian and development activities in order for people to return.
- Conflict / insecurity remains a predominant driver of displacement and underlying issue preventing IDPs from returning home.
- Most IDPs are likely to stay where they are for the foreseeable future, especially in Herat.
- There appears to be greater appetite for return in the Qala-e-Naw IDP case-load, than in Herat. However, many IDP families are still undecided and will need to be convinced that returning home is a viable and sustainable option.
- To promote return, a communication strategy and outreach to IDPs through family, friends, newly arriving IDPs and mobile devices is essential.
- Preliminary results support the need for the Inter-Cluster Coordination Team (ICCT) to proceed with the integrated response pilot in Badghis, which is focused on places of origin, and includes return packages with significant food, WASH, shelter/NFI, and livelihoods/agriculture components.
- Qala-e-Naw and Abkamari districts are currently the most viable, priority target areas for the integrated response pilot.

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