



# Flow Monitoring - Spontaneous Returns of Undocumented Afghans from Pakistan

21st October- 10th November 2018



## Overall returnees through **Torkham and Chaman** since January 2018 **27,187**

For this reporting period **285** interviews were conducted comprising of the following categories

**73.7%** \*Undocumented families

**23.5%** \*Undocumented individuals travelling with documented families

**2.8%** \*Undocumented individuals travelling alone

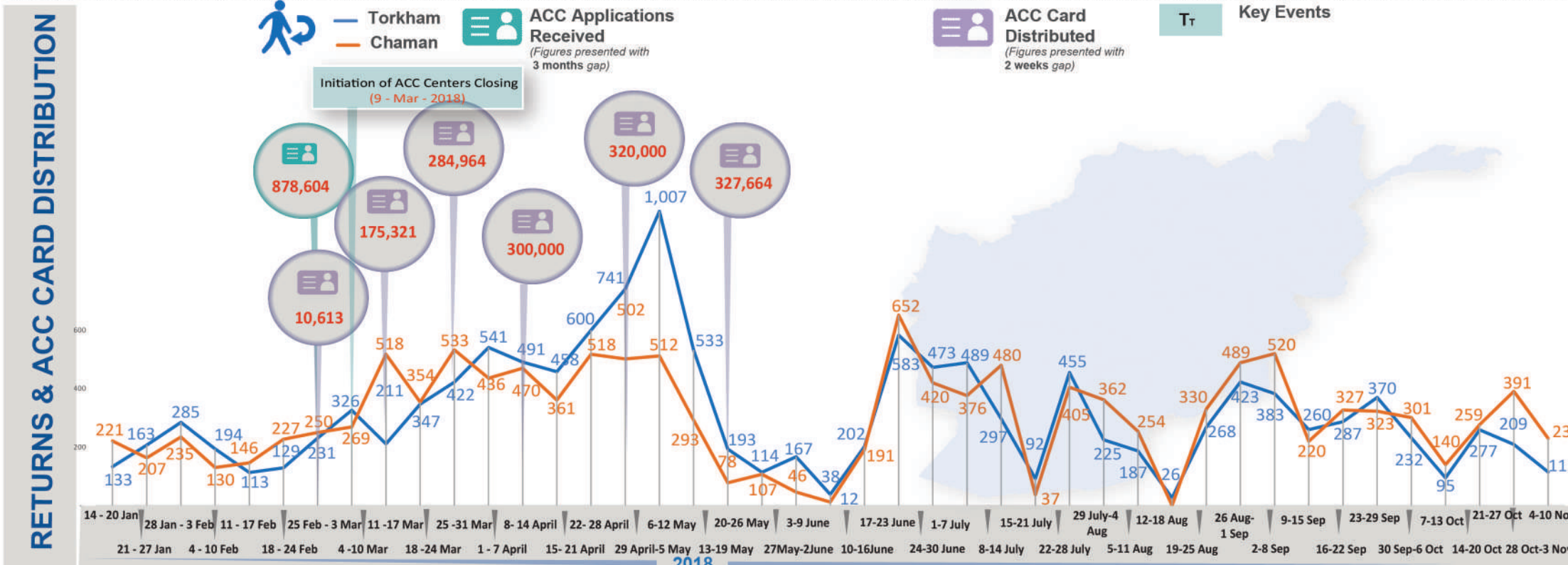
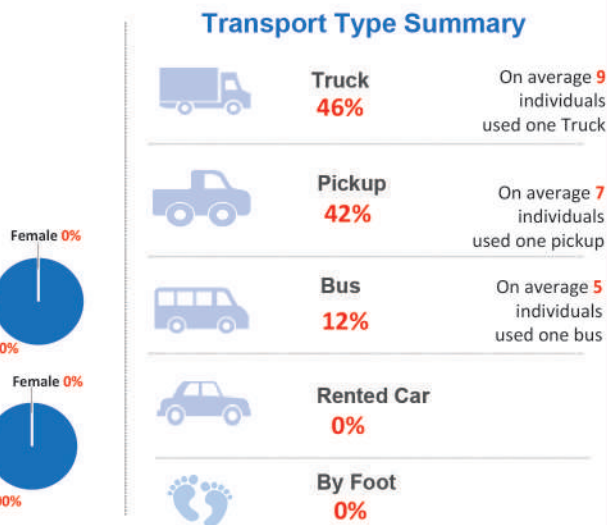
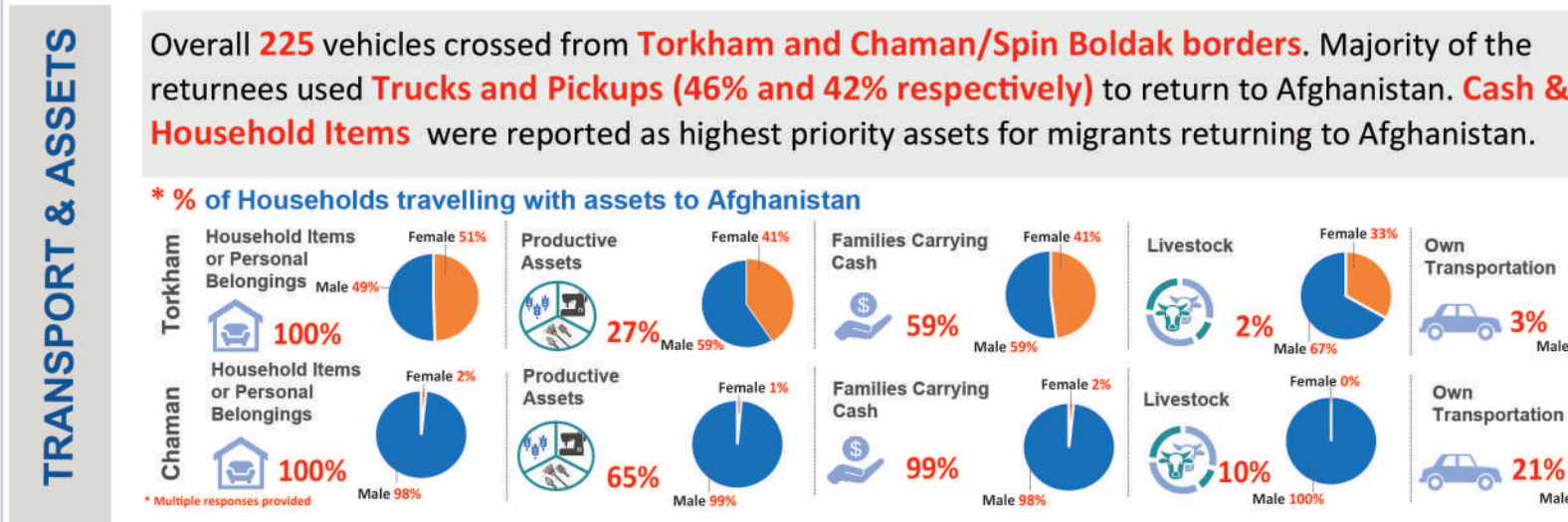
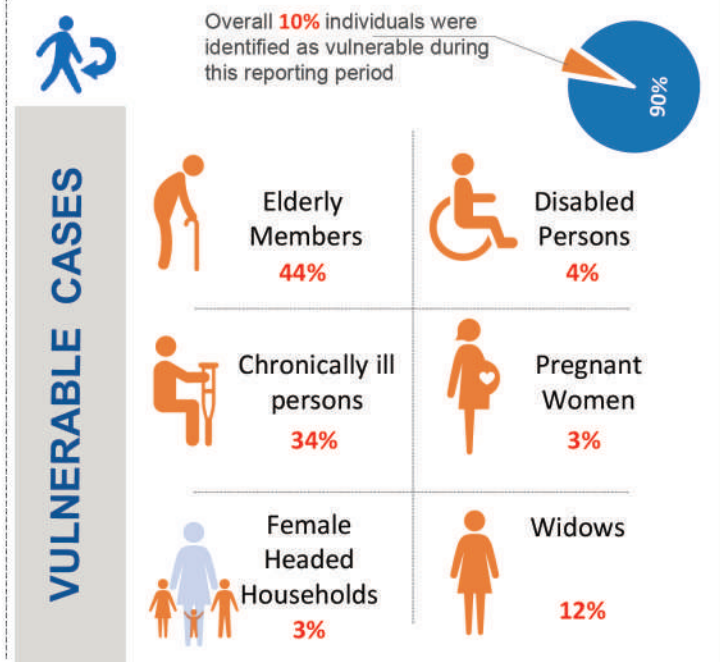
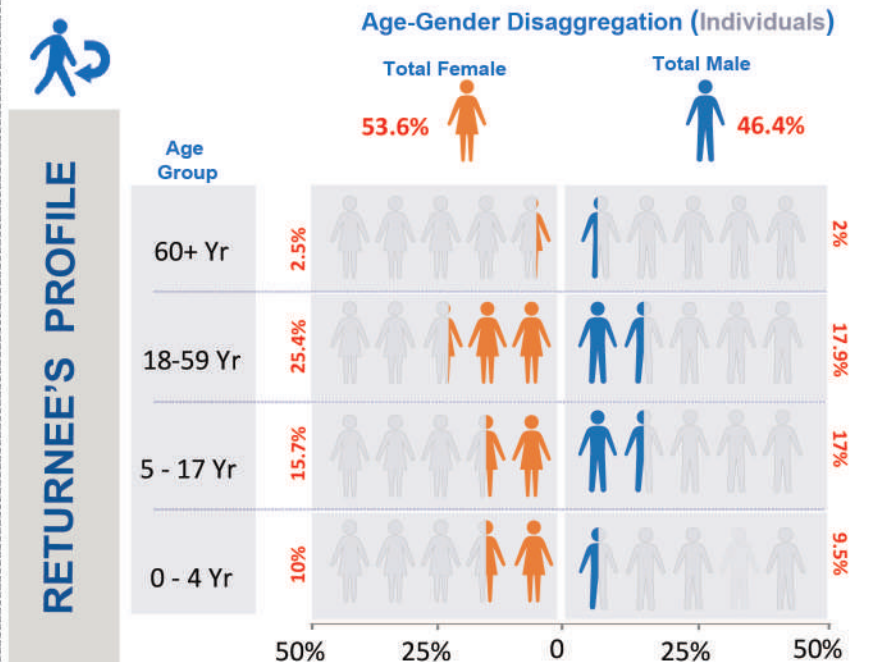
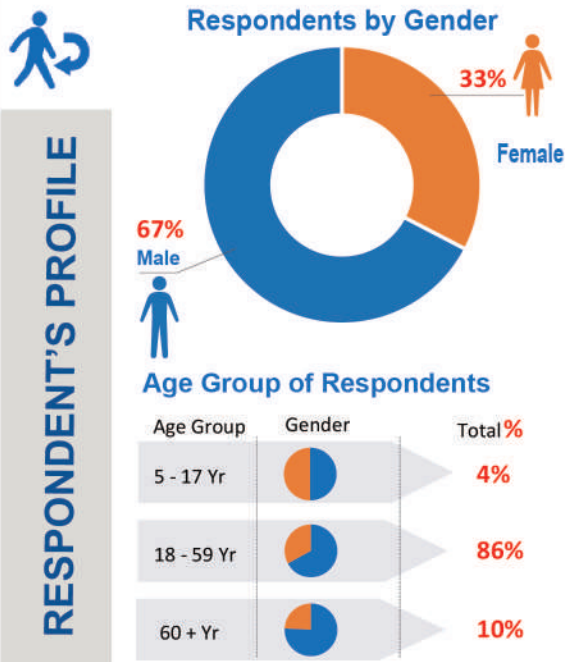
\* interviews were conducted at both transit points, Torkham and Chaman/Spin Boldak



**1,481 Undocumented Afghan** individuals returned to Afghanistan through the **Torkham and Chaman/Spin Boldak border**. **583** individuals used the **Torkham border** crossing while **898** individuals crossed through **Chaman/Spin Boldak border** crossing.

### WHO IS AN UNDOCUMENTED AFGHAN

- Individuals with No Documents
- Individuals with No Passport or Lapsed Visa
- Individuals with Tazkira
- Individuals with Expired POR Card
- Individuals with ACC Card
- Individuals with ACC Token





PUSH AND PULL FACTORS RECORDED BASED ON RETURNEES RESPONSE



**Push factors:** Factors which discourage undocumented Afghan nationals from staying in host country.

### PUSH FACTORS

- Economic Factors
- Afraid of Being Deported
- Camp Closure
- Returning Home
- Undocumented

### PULL FACTORS

- Improvement in Security Situation
- Availability of Assistance in Afghanistan
- Reunion with Family and relatives
- Own Country

**Pull factors:** Factors which encourage undocumented Afghan nationals to return to their country of origin.

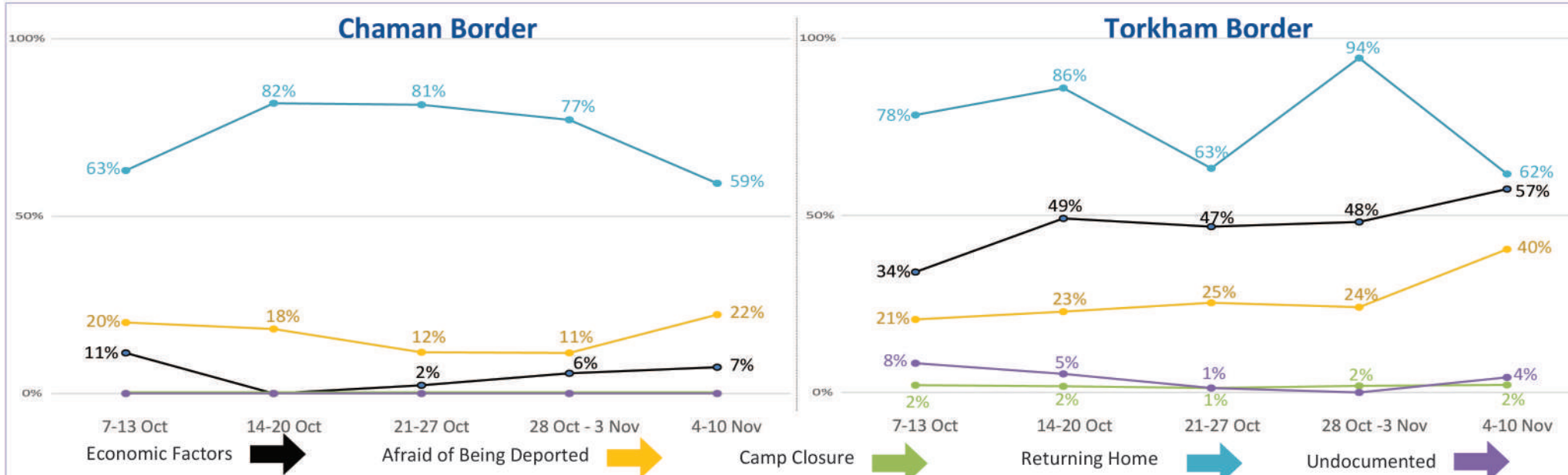
**In Torkham, 'Returning Home'** is trending upwards, and **62%** of the respondents cited this as a push factor (decrease of 32 percentage points compared to last week). **'Economic Factors'** is trending upwards and is at **57%** (increase of 9 percentage points compared to last week). **'Afraid of Being Deported'** is trending upwards and is at **40%** of the respondents cited this as a push factor (increase of 16 percentage points compared to last week). **'Lack of Documentation'** increased slightly and is at **4%** (increase of 4 percentage points). Whereas **'Camp Closure'** remained the same and is at **2%**.

**In Chaman, 'Returning Home'** is trending downwards, and **59%** of the respondents cited this as a push factor (decrease of 18 percentage points compared to last week). **'Afraid of Being Deported'** is trending upwards and is at **22%** (increase of 11 percentage points compared to last week). Whereas **none** of the respondents at **Chaman** reported **'Economic Factors,' 'Lack of Documentation'** or **'Camp Closure'** as a push factor.

The indicator rated as the main pull factor for both border crossing points was **'Own Country'**. This was reported by **91%** of the respondents at **Torkham** and **74%** of the respondents at **Chaman**. The second highest concern was **'Reunion with Family / Relatives'** which was reported by **72%** of the respondents at **Torkham** and **26%** of the respondents at **Chaman**.

Whereas **none** of the respondents at **Torkham** and **Chaman** reported **'Improvement in Security Situation,'** or **'Availability of Assistance in Afghanistan'** as a pull factor.

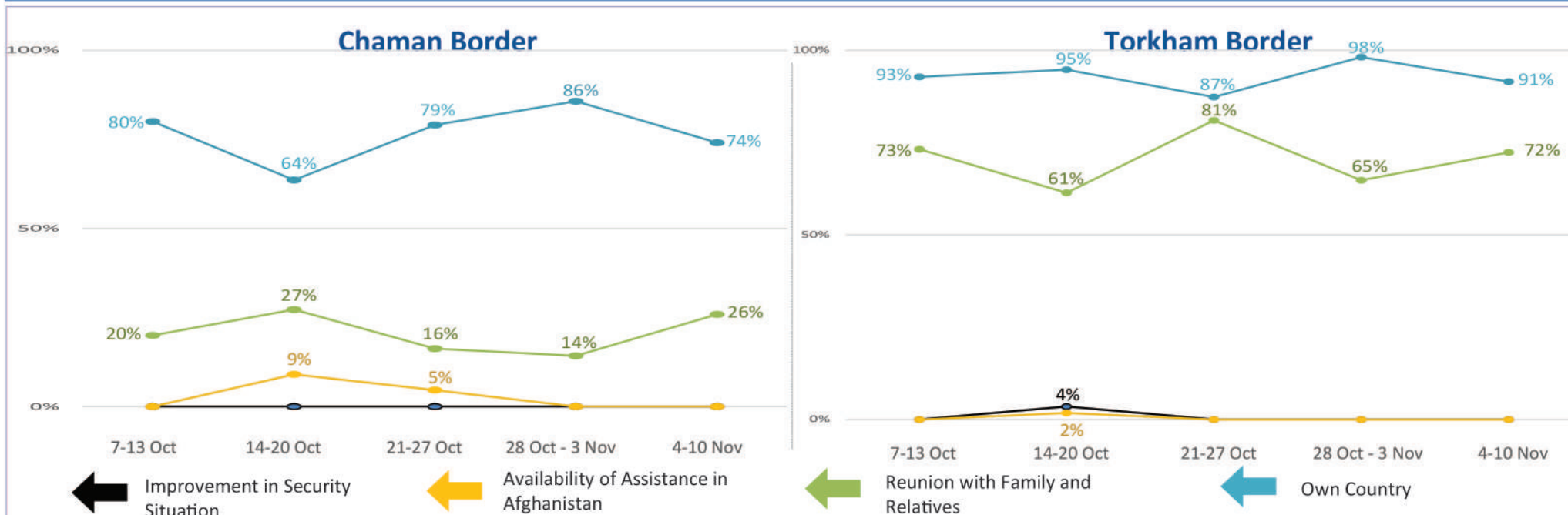
## PUSH Factors (Weekly Trend)



**Top three ranked provinces of origin preferred by returnees** based on the PUSH Factors' responses are.



## PULL Factors (Weekly Trend)



**Top three ranked destinations in Afghanistan, preferred by returnees** based on the PULL Factors' responses are.



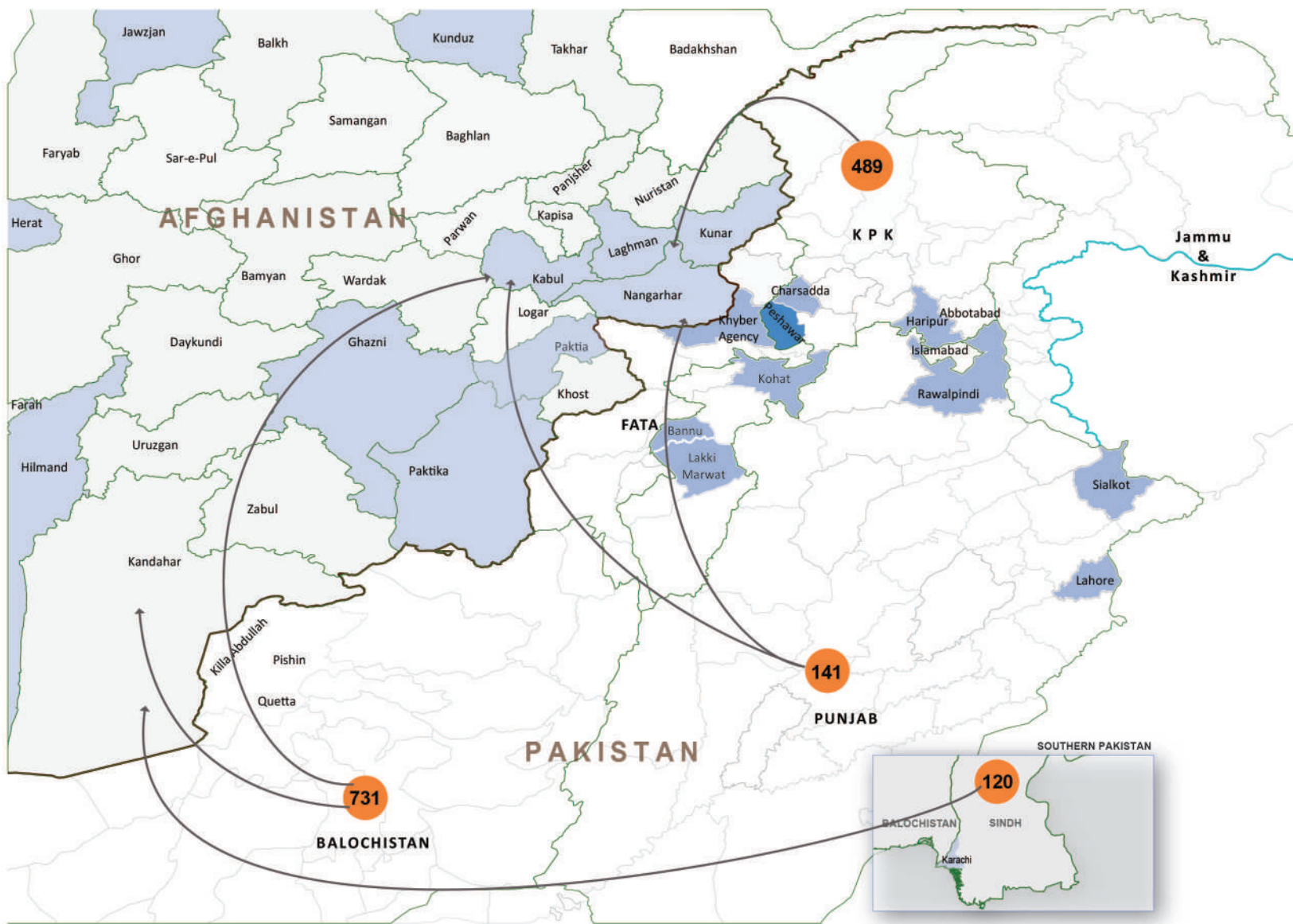


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HIGH RETURN AREAS

## Population Movement Trend for Spontaneous Returns of Undocumented Afghans from Pakistan



The **top 5 destination** provinces for returns are

- Kandahar (40%)
- Nangarhar (23%)
- Kabul (12%)
- Kunduz (4%)
- Zabul (3%)



The largest **proportion of returns** are from:

- Balochistan (49%)
- Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (33%)
- Punjab (10%)
- Sindh (8%)

Data Source: Population Census Organization, UNOCHA

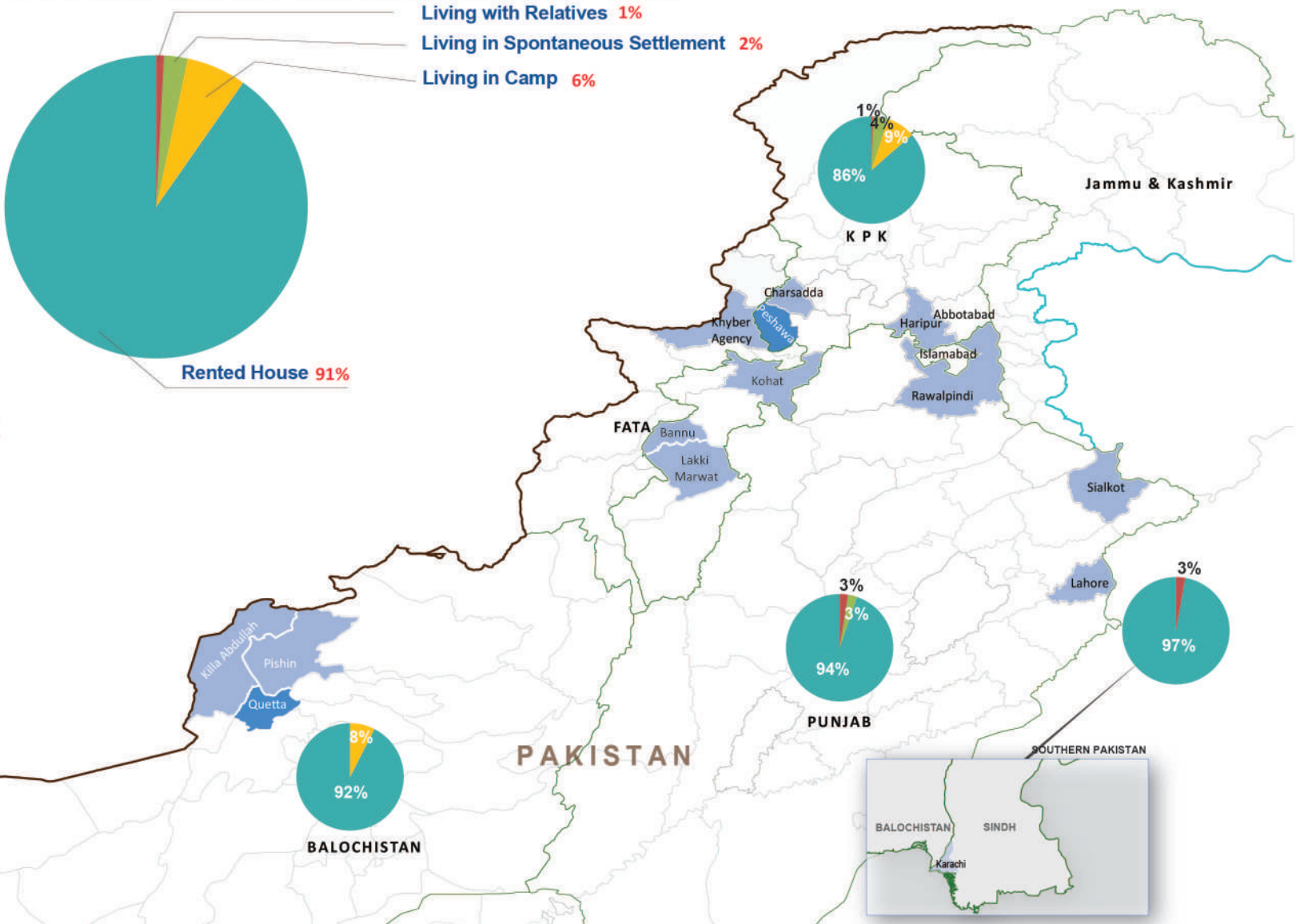
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LIVING CONDITIONS IN PAKISTAN

## Current Living Conditions of Undocumented Afghans in Pakistan



**Overall 91%** of Undocumented Afghan returnees from this week lived in **rented houses**, followed by **6%** in **camps**, whereas the remaining **3%** comprise of families that lived in **spontaneous settlements** or with a **relative**.

There are differences at the provincial level, where for example in **Sindh 97%** in **Punjab 94%** in **Balochistan 92%**, and in **KP 86%** Undocumented Afghan returnees reported living in **rented houses**.

It was observed that in **KP 9%**, of Undocumented Afghan returnees lived in a **Camp** followed by **8%** in **Balochistan**, whereas no returnee from **Punjab** or **Sindh** reported living in a **Camp**.

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\* The Response for "Own House" relates to the fact that land/house is bought in the name of Pakistani relatives.