



Flow Monitoring - Spontaneous Returns of Undocumented Afghans from Pakistan

12th - 25th May 2019



Overall returnees through **Torkham and Chaman** since January 2019 **7,684**

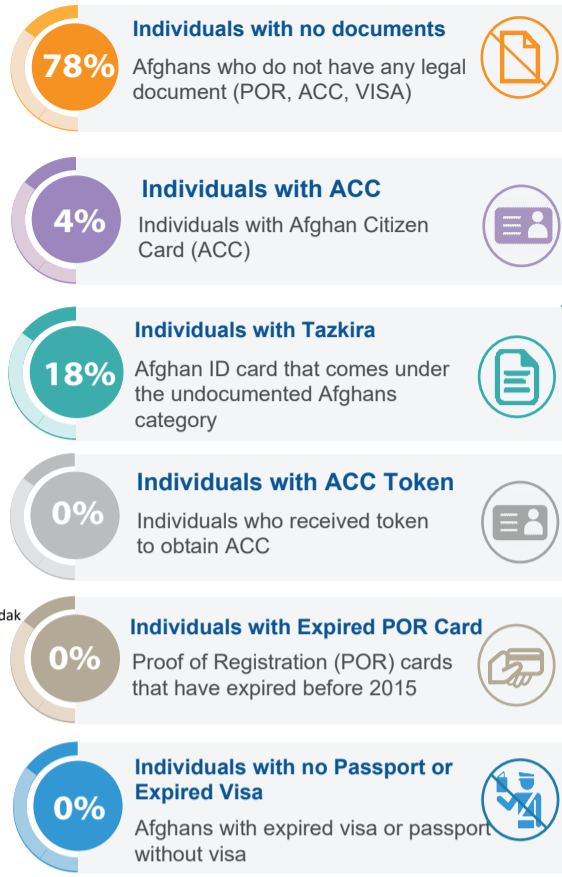
For this reporting period **131** interviews were conducted comprising of the following categories

81.7% *Undocumented families

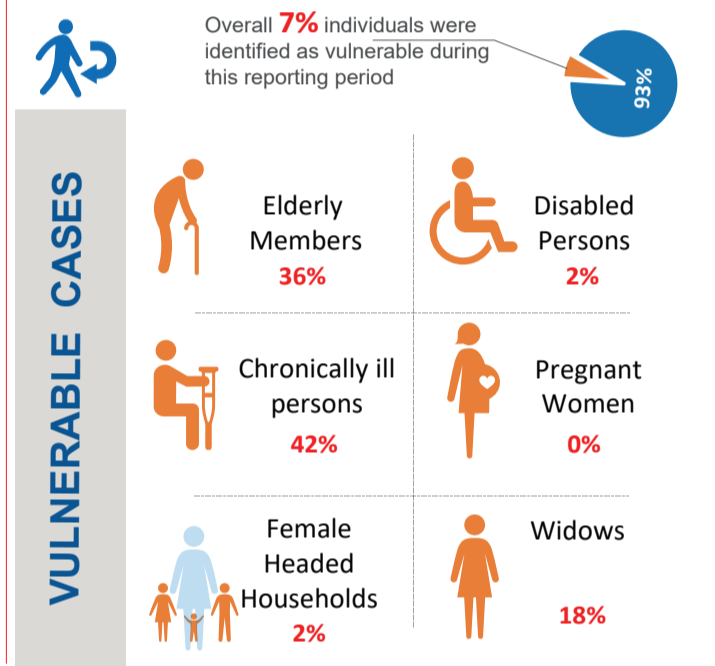
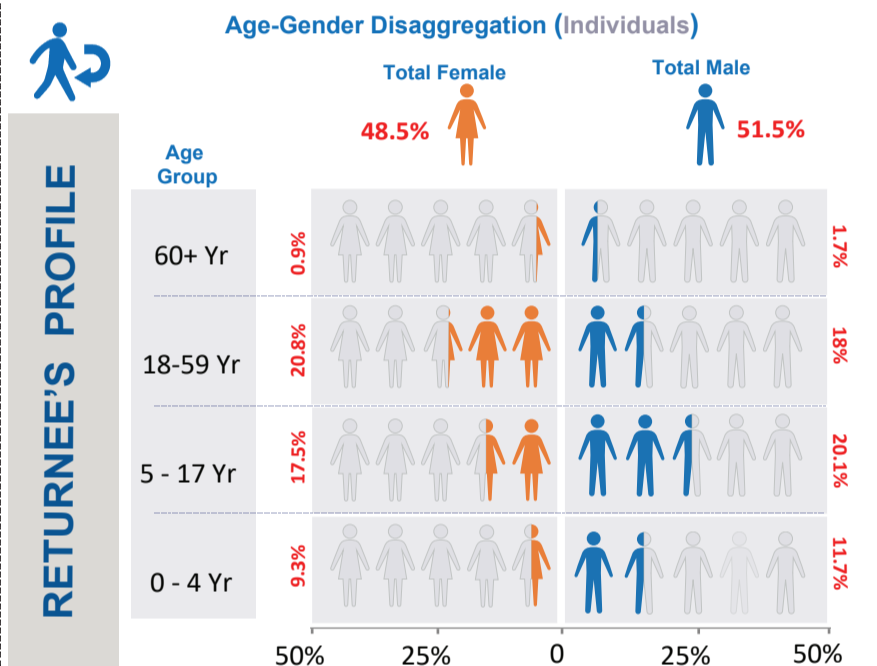
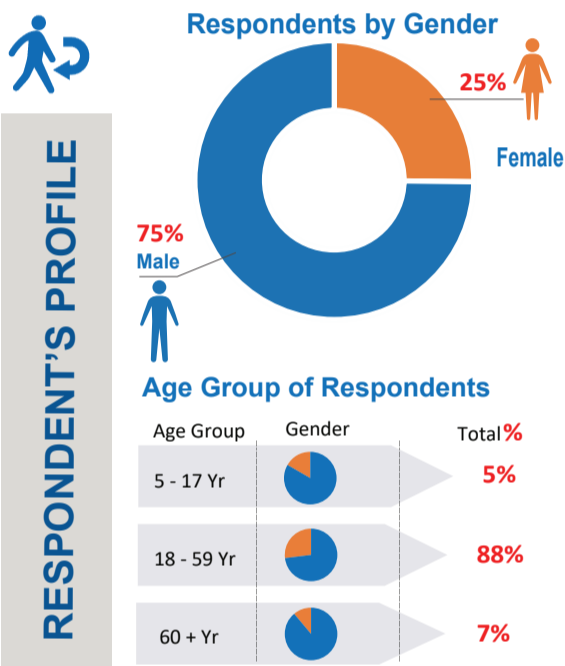
16.8% *Undocumented individuals travelling with documented families

1.5% *Undocumented individuals travelling alone

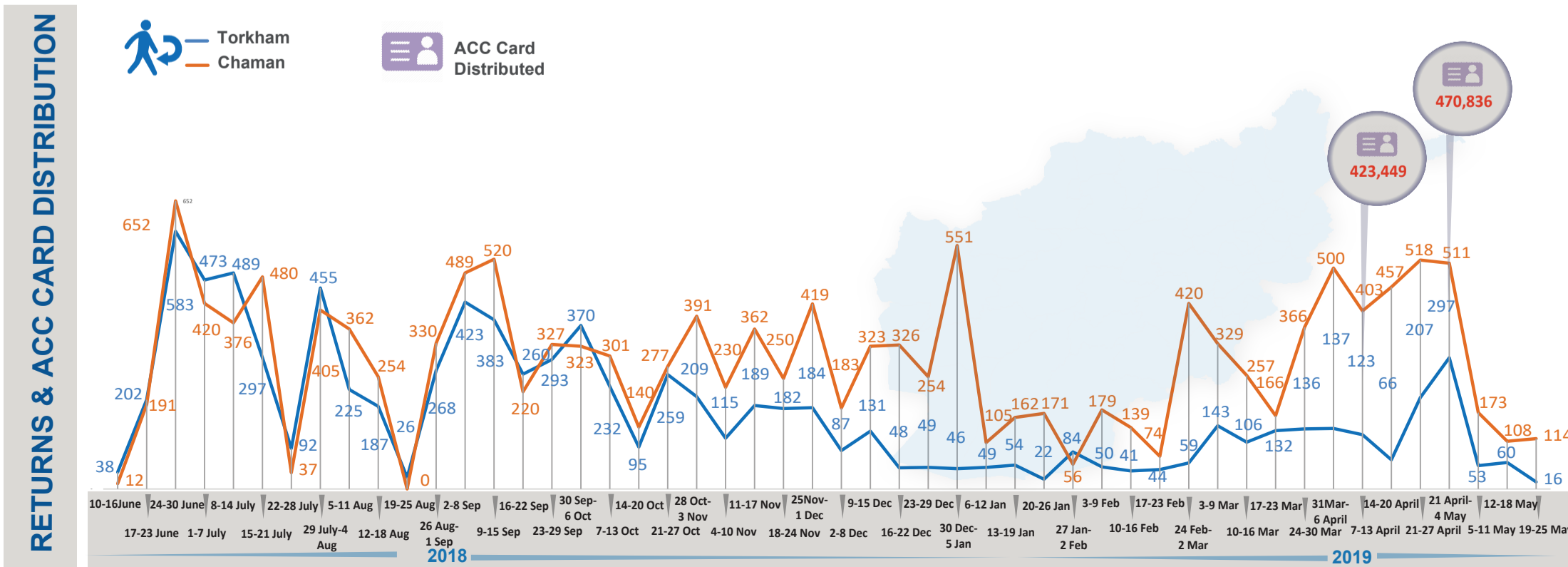
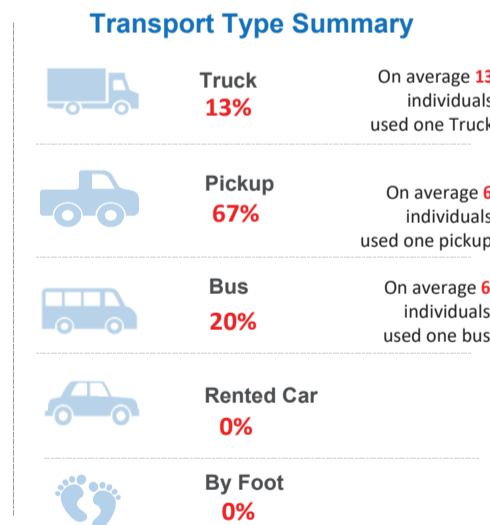
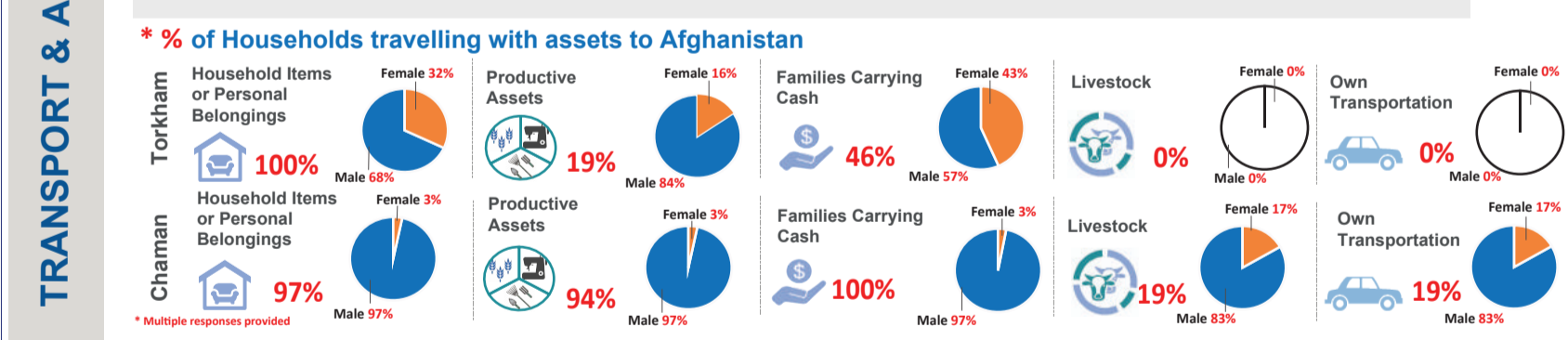
* Interviews were conducted at both transit points, Torkham and Chaman/Spin Boldak



298 Undocumented Afghan individuals returned to Afghanistan through the **Torkham and Chaman/Spin Boldak** border. **76** individuals used the **Torkham** border crossing while **222** individuals crossed through **Chaman/Spin Boldak** border crossing.



Overall **102** vehicles crossed from **Torkham and Chaman/Spin Boldak** borders. Majority of the returnees used **Pickups and Bus (67% and 20% respectively)** to return to Afghanistan. **Cash & Household Items** were reported as highest priority assets for migrants returning to Afghanistan.





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

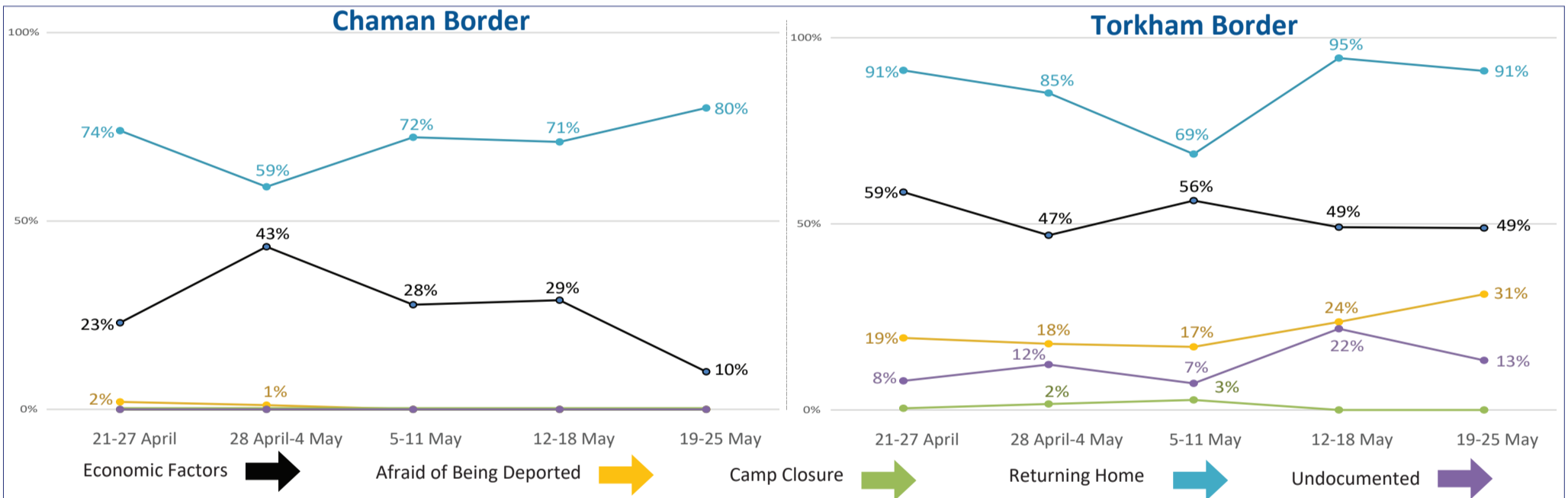
Pull factors: Factors which encourage undocumented Afghan nationals to return to their country of origin.

In Torkham, 'Returning Home' is trending upwards and **91%** of the respondents cited this as a push factor (increase of 22 percentage points compared to the last reporting period). **'Economic Factors'** is trending downwards and **49%** of the respondents cited this as a push factor (decrease of 7 percentage points compared to the last reporting period). **'Afraid of Being Deported'** increased to **31%** (increase of 14 percentage points compared to the last reporting period). **'Lack of Documentation'** was reported by **13%** of the respondents (increase of 6 percentage points compared to the last reporting period). Whereas **none** of the respondents at **Torkham** reported **'Camp Closure'** as a push factor.

In Chaman, 'Returning Home' is trending upwards and **80%** of the respondents cited this as a push factor (increase of 8 percentage points compared to the last reporting period). **'Economic Factors'** is trending downwards and **10%** of the respondents cited this as a push factor (decrease of 18 percentage points compared to the last reporting period). Whereas **none** of the respondents at **Chaman** reported **'Afraid of Being Deported'**, **'Lack of Documentation'** and **'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 **100%** of the respondents at **Torkham** and **90%** of the respondents at **Chaman**. The second highest concern was **'Reunion with Family / Relatives'** which was reported by **62%** of the respondents at **Torkham** and **10%** of the respondents at **Chaman**. Furthermore, **4%** of the respondents at **Torkham** and **none** at **Chaman** reported **'Availability of Assistance in Afghanistan'**. Whereas **none** of the respondents at **Torkham** and **Chaman** reported **'Improvement in Security Situation'** as a pull factor.

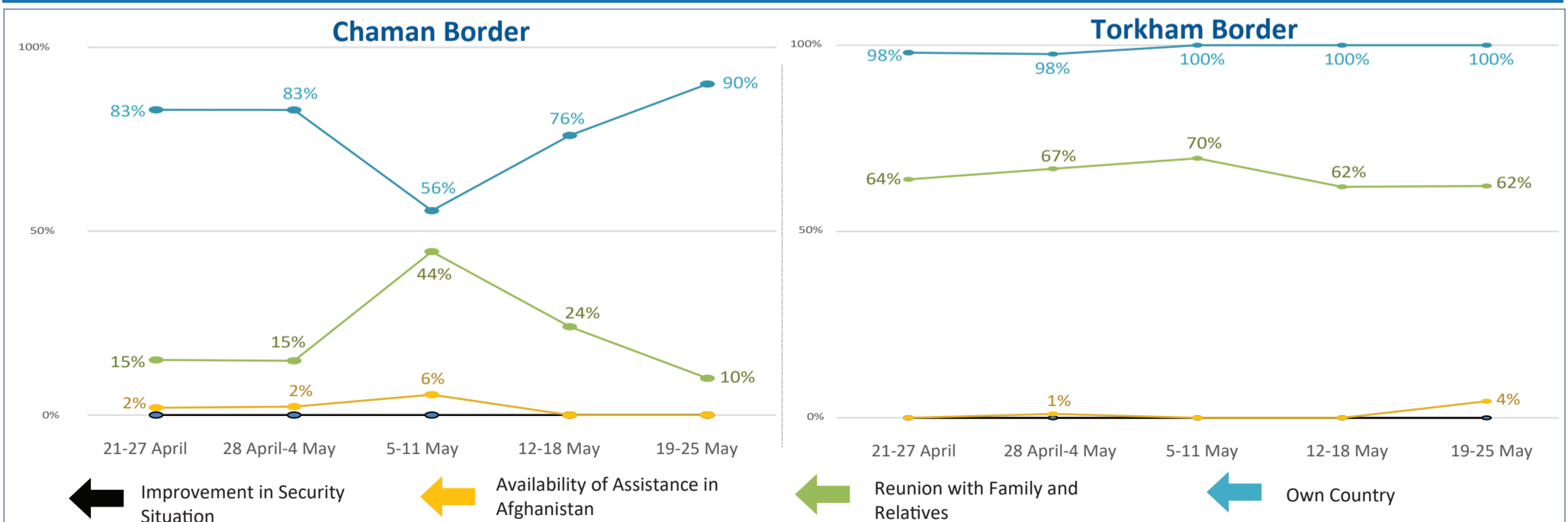
PUSH Factors (Weekly Trend)



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.



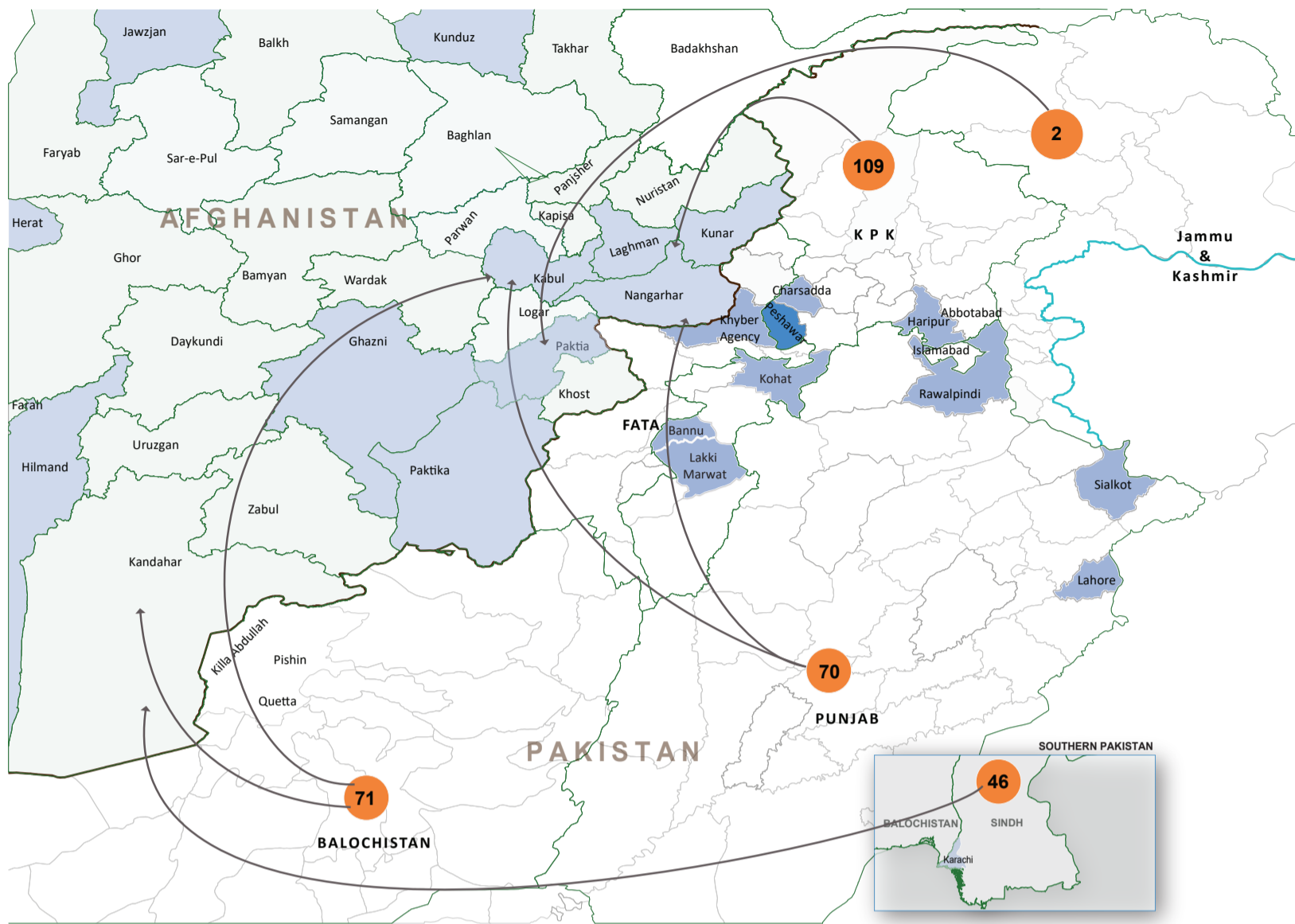


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HIGH RETURN AREAS

Population Movement Trend for Spontaneous Returns of Undocumented Afghans from Pakistan



AFGHANISTAN

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

- Kabul (26%)
- Kandahar (26%)
- Nangarhar (11%)
- Kunduz (10%)
- Baghlan (8%)

PAKISTAN

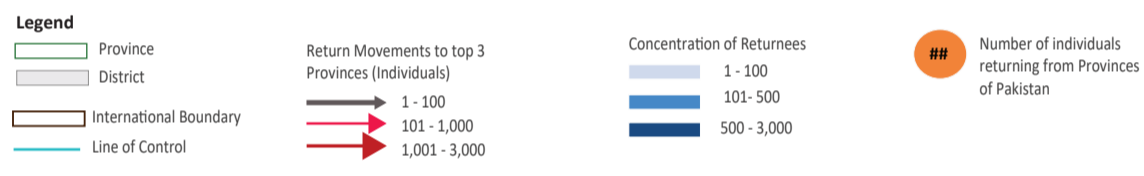
The largest **proportion of returns** are from:

- Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (36%)
- Punjab (24%)
- Balochistan (24%)
- Sindh (15%)
- PAK (1%)

Data Source: Population Census Organization, UNOCHA

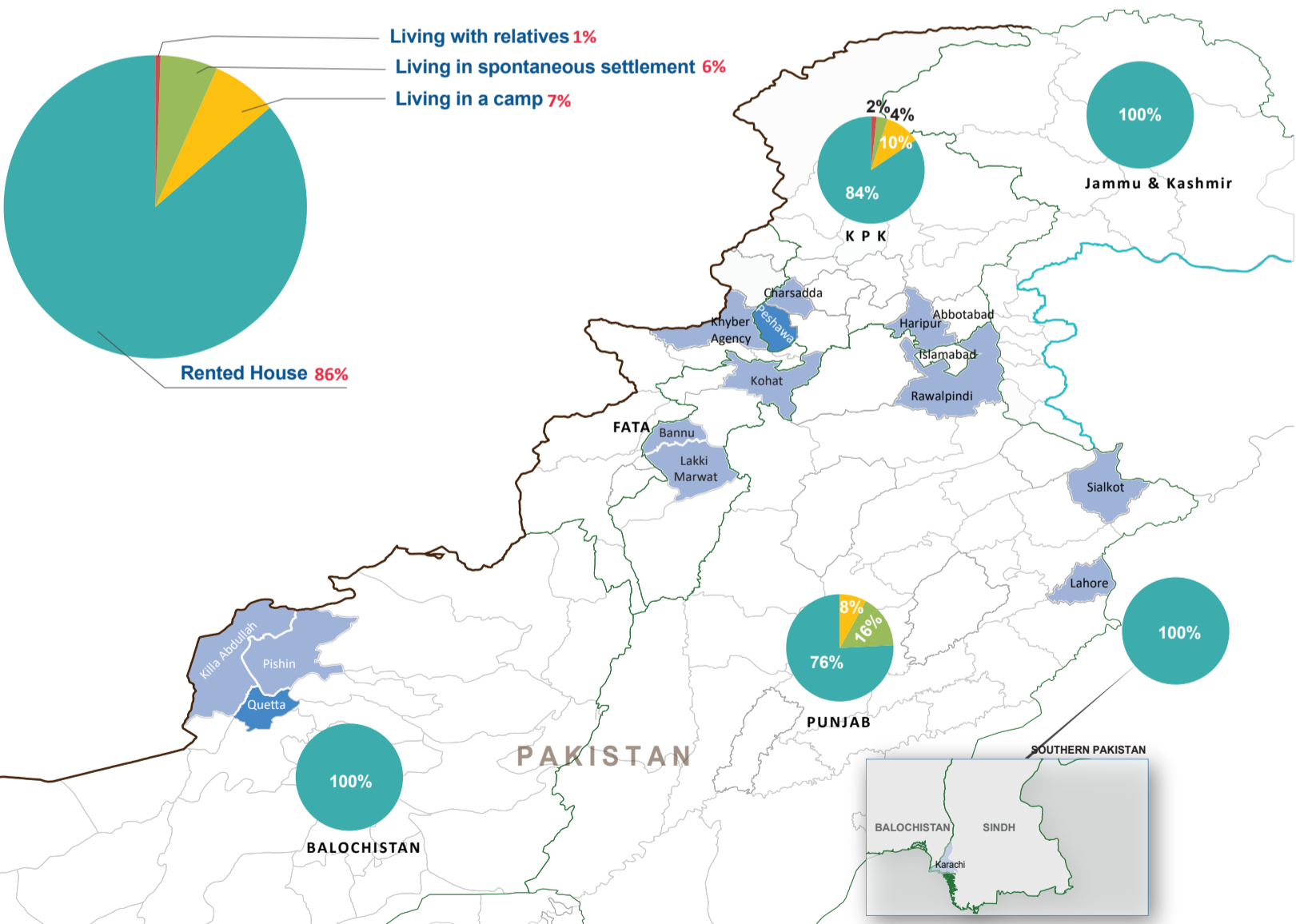
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LIVING CONDITIONS IN PAKISTAN

Current Living Conditions of Undocumented Afghans in Pakistan



Overall, 86% of Undocumented Afghan returnees from this week reported living in **rented houses**, whereas **7%** reported living in a 'Camp,' **6%** reported 'living in a spontaneous settlement,' and the remaining **1%** reported 'living with relatives'.

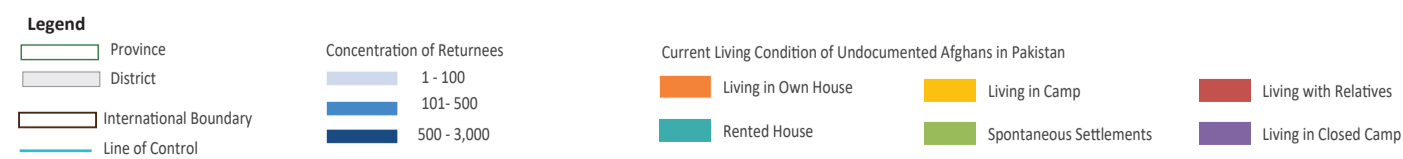
There are differences at the provincial level where for example in **Sindh and Balochistan 100%**, in **KP 84%**, and in **Punjab 76%** of Undocumented Afghan returnees reported living in 'rented houses'.

In **KP, 10%** of the Undocumented Afghan returnees reported living in **Camp** compared to **8%** in **Punjab**, and **none** in **Sindh & Balochistan**.

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