SPONTANEOUS RETURN OF UNDOCUMENTED AFGHAN MIGRANTS FROM PAKISTAN (01 TO 14 JAN. 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 01 January to 14 January 2021, 2,488 undocumented Afghan migrants returned to Afghanistan, including 139 through the Torkham border point and 2,349 through the Chaman border point. During the reporting period, border authorities facilitated the return of 41 individuals due to the lack of legal documentation to remain in Pakistan. Therefore, information concerning these 41 individuals is not included in the report analysis.

HIGHLIGHTS

- During the reporting period, 11% of returnees were categorized as vulnerable persons, mainly chronically ill and elderly.
- In Pakistan, the primary occupations reported by majority of returnees were: unskilled labor (58%), skilled labor (23%) and business (17%).
- All returnees were carrying household items, cash, personal belongings and productive assets when interviewed. They also travelled with additional items, such as transportation or private vehicles (21%) and Livestock (3%).
- The average cost of travelling from Pakistan to Afghanistan reported was 22,573 PKR per family.
- The top 3 challenges returnees expected to face in Afghanistan were: arranging for livelihoods, settling into a new city and finding income opportunities.

*The Torkham border point has been partially closed since 1 November 2020. The figures represented on the timeline from January 2021 to January 2022 include a data compilation effort between IOM Pakistan and IOM Afghanistan.

92%

8%

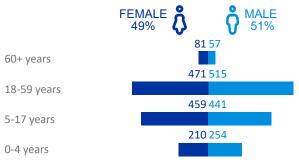


2,488 UNDOCUMENTED AFGHAN RETURNEES AT TORKHAM AND CHAMAN

DISTRIBUTION OF UNDOCUMENTED RETURNEES



AGE AND GENDER

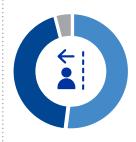


PUSH FACTORS



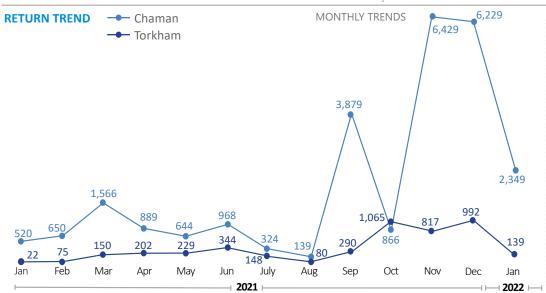
	Unable to pay house rent	37%
×	Unable to pay utilities	26%
ZX.	No employment	22%
351	Business reasons	11%
Ť	Fear of arrest/deportation	4%

PULL FACTORS





WEEKLY TRENDS (LAST FOUR WEEKS)



1,134 1,262 1,518

129 98 103 36

19-25 26-31 01-07 08-14
Dec Dec Jan Jan

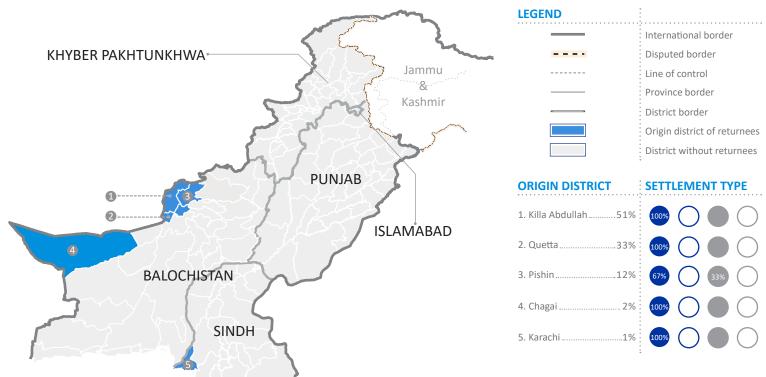
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DISTRICTS OF ORIGIN IN PAKISTAN OF RETURNEES



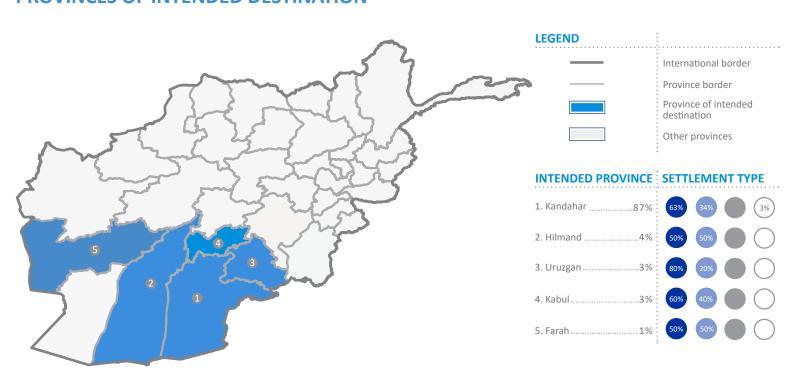
Note:

This map and the following legends focus on the top 5 districts of origin in Pakistan during the reporting period of 01 to 14 Jan. 2022

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PROVINCES OF INTENDED DESTINATION



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