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Snapshot of Population Movements (January - September 2021)

As of 22 Oct 2021



In 2021, displacement due to ongoing conflict and natural disasters is continuing to drive humanitarian needs in Afghanistan. Almost **677,000 people** have left their homes this year due to fighting. Many of these people remain displaced across the country, as conflict and poverty prevent them from returning to their areas of origin. In addition to this, close to **938,000 people** have returned from neighbouring countries to Afghanistan so far this year including **926,000** from Iran, and **12,000** from Pakistan, while a small number also returned from Europe.

INTERNALLY DISPLACED PEOPLE

677,000 people newly displaced in 2020
Same period previous years
↓ 2020: **308,000** new IDPs
↓ 2019: **392,000** new IDPs

20% adult male | 21% adult female | 59% children under 18

RETURNEES FROM IRAN

926,000 people returned from Iran in 2021
Same period previous years
↓ 2020: **592,000** returnees
↓ 2019: **347,000** returnees

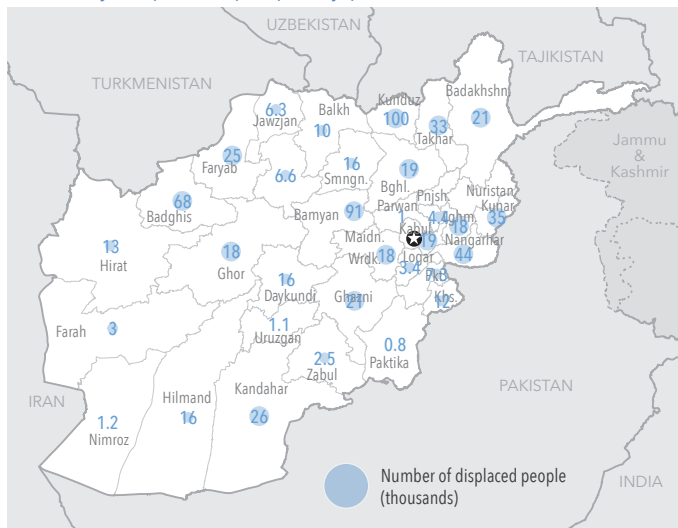
43% adult male | 14% adult female | 43% children under 18

RETURNEES FROM PAKISTAN

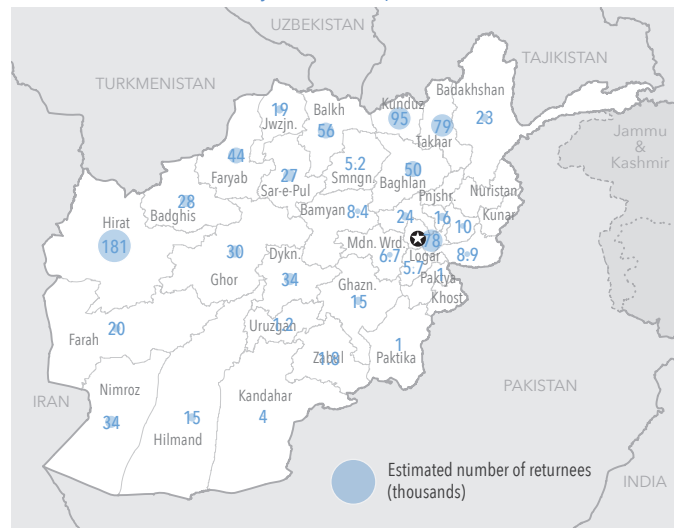
12,000 people returned from Pakistan in 2021
Same period previous years
↓ 2020: **6,000** returnees
↑ 2019: **21,000** returnees

20% adult male | 26% adult female | 54% children under 18

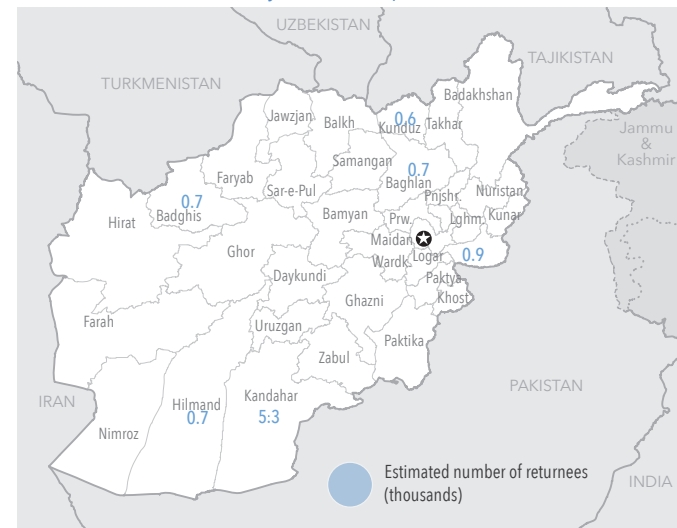
Internally displaced people by province of arrival



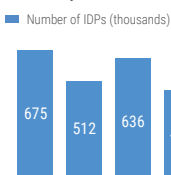
Estimated returnees by intended province of return



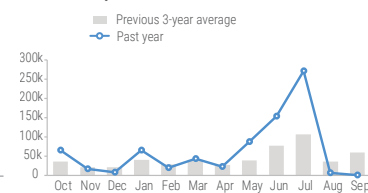
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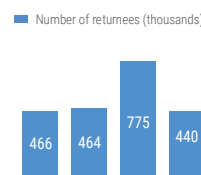
Past six years



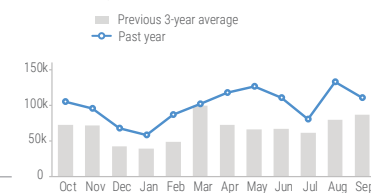
Monthly trends



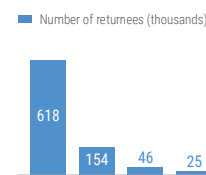
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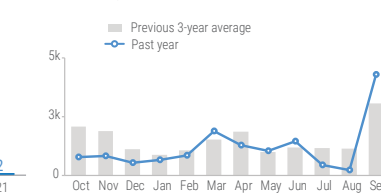
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*2018 number also includes people displaced due to drought and other factors

Data sources: Newly displaced people due to conflict from 1 Jan to 30 Sept 2021, compiled by OCHA sub offices based on inter-agency assessment results (as of 22 Oct 2021). Returnees from Pakistan and Iran from 1 Jan to 30 Sept 2021 (IOM/UMHCR). These numbers are subject to change as more information becomes available.

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