



Returning Afghans registering in the Afghan Returnee Information System with the Directorate for Refugees and Repatriation at the Milak border in Nimroz.

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### Highlights

**470,213** total returns from Iran and Pakistan since 01 Jan 2019

**451,073** total returns from Iran

**19,140** total returns from Pakistan

**10,659** undocumented Afghans returned from Iran this week with **14%** of returnees from Iran (1,541 individuals) assisted

**241** undocumented Afghans returned from Pakistan this week with **84%** of returnees from Pakistan (202 individuals) assisted.

### Return from Iran

According to the Border Monitoring Team of the Directorate of Refugees and Repatriation (DoRR), a total of **10,659** undocumented Afghans spontaneously returned or were deported from Iran through the Milak (Nimroz) and Herat (Islam Qala) border crossings between 01 —07 Dec 2019, a 7% decrease from the previous week (**11,454**). **5,172** persons returned voluntarily and **5,487** were deported. This brings the total number of undocumented returnees from Iran to **451,073** in 2019. IOM provided post-arrival humanitarian assistance to **1,541 (14%)** undocumented Afghans deported from Iran at its Transit Centers in Herat, including 158 Unaccompanied Migrant Children, 80 Medical Cases, 51 members of Single Parent Families, 13 Physically Disabled persons, 15 Unaccompanied Elderly persons, 1 Single Females, 280 members of deported families, 6 persons with substance abuse concerns.

### IOM Thematic Support to Undocumented Returnees

#### Protection:

The Protection Unit completed case management assessments for 113 PSN cases in Kunduz, Takhar, Sar-e Pul, Ghor, Balkh, Kandahar, Kabul, Nimroz, Faryab, and Nangarhar, including 34 special cases, 26 Unaccompanied Migrant Children, 9 deported families, 11 poor families, 13 female-headed households, 8 single females, 11 medical cases and 1 substance abuse concern case.

#### Migration Health:

A total of 2,574 undocumented Afghans were screened for tuberculosis in IOM Transit Centers. Of the total screened, 26 persons were found to be presumptive TB cases and referred for additional diagnostic/treatment services.

A total of 169 individuals received health services at the Gazargah Transit Center in Herat province.

### Situation Overview

As of 07 December, IOM's Cross Border Return Programme is 47% funded against its Humanitarian Response Plan request of 12.8M USD with 6.1M received from the Governments of the Netherlands, Switzerland, Norway, Canada, the Czech Republic and CERF. Additional thematic funding has been received from ECHO for Protection programming and the Global Fund for Migration Health.

### Monthly Return of Undocumented Afghans

Month	Iran	Pakistan	Total
Jan - Mar 2019	95,996	4,869	100,865
April 2019	53,898	3,453	57,351
May 2019	39,886	1,488	41,374
June 2019	35,277	1,440	36,717
July 2019	40,947	2,132	43,079
August 2019	37,942	1,411	39,353
September 2019	45,216	1,724	46,940
October 2019	45,676	1,341	47,017
Nov and Dec 2019	56,235	1,282	57,517
<b>Total</b>	<b>451,073</b>	<b>19,140</b>	<b>470,213</b>

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**Return from Pakistan**

According to the Border Monitoring Team of the Directorate of Refugees and Repatriation (DoRR), a total of **234** undocumented Afghans spontaneously returned and **7** were deported from Pakistan through the Torkham and Spin Boldak border crossings between 01—07 December 2019, a 3% increase compared to the previous week (233). The total number of undocumented Afghan returnees from Pakistan in 2019 is now **19,140**. IOM provided post-arrival assistance to **202 (84%)** undocumented returnees from Pakistan over the past week.

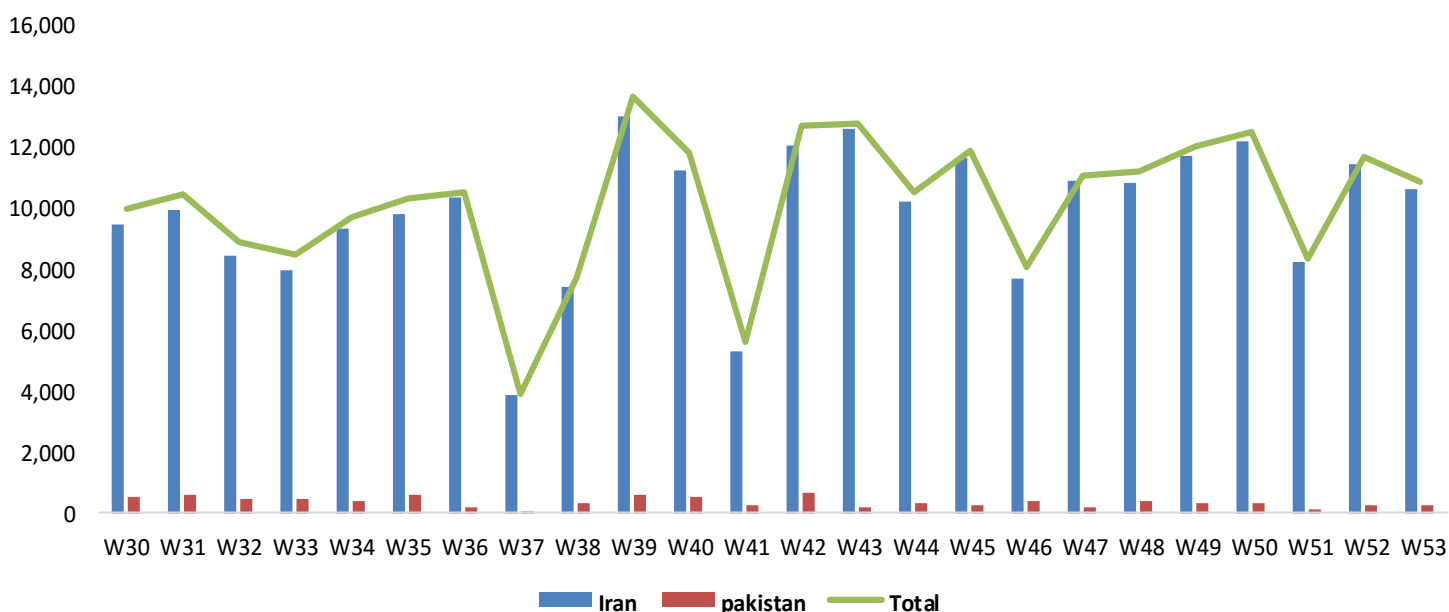
**Number of Undocumented Returnees in 2019**

Date	Iran				Total Iran	Pakistan				Total Pakistan	Overall Return
	Herat		Nimroz			Torkham		Kandahar			
	Spont	Deport	Spont	Deport		Spont	Deport	Spont	Deport		
Jan - Oct 2019	91,835	75,543	78,804	148,656	394,838	4,065	1,265	11,261	1,267	17,858	412,696
01 - 16 Nov 19	7,860	3,710	3,853	10,666	26,089	249	4	420	31	704	26,793
17 - 23 Nov 2019	2,800	1,131	1,343	2,759	8,033	53	4	47	0	104	8,137
24 - 30 Nov 2019	3,271	1,344	1,792	5,047	11,454	49	0	174	10	233	11,687
01 - 07 Dec 2019	3,963	1,644	1,209	3,843	10,659	30	7	204	0	241	10,900
<b>Total</b>	<b>109,729</b>	<b>83,372</b>	<b>87,001</b>	<b>170,971</b>	<b>451,073</b>	<b>4,446</b>	<b>1,280</b>	<b>12,106</b>	<b>1,308</b>	<b>19,140</b>	<b>470,213</b>

**Number of Assisted Returnees in 2019**

Date	Iran				Total Iran	Pakistan				Total Pakistan	Overall Assisted
	Herat		Nimroz			Torkham		Kandahar			
	Spont	Deport	Spont	Deport		Spont	Deport	Spont	Deport		
Jan - Oct 2019	1,799	11,876	2,290	8,908	24,873	4,065	155	10,277	702	15,199	40,072
01 - 16 Nov 19	126	1,159	0	0	1,285	249	0	322	0	571	1,856
17 - 23 Nov 2019	60	552	17	101	730	55	2	47	0	104	834
24 - 30 Nov 2019	59	518	31	124	732	49	0	89	0	138	870
01 - 07 Dec 2019	63	1,125	38	315	1,541	30	5	167	0	202	1,743
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,107</b>	<b>15,230</b>	<b>2,376</b>	<b>9,448</b>	<b>29,161</b>	<b>4,448</b>	<b>162</b>	<b>10,902</b>	<b>702</b>	<b>16,214</b>	<b>45,375</b>

**Return of Undocumented Afghan from Iran and Pakistan– Weekly trends for 2019**



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