



*Three sisters from Pakistan at the IOM Transit Center in Kandahar @ IOM 2017*

## Highlights

**905** undocumented Afghans returned from Pakistan

**10,248** undocumented Afghans returned from Iran

**82,191** total returns from Pakistan since 01 January 2017

**225,332** total returns from Iran since 01 January 2017

**95%** of returnees from Pakistan (862 individuals) assisted

**4%** of returnees from Iran (415 individuals) assisted

## Return from Pakistan

A total of **905** undocumented Afghans spontaneously returned or were deported from Pakistan through the Turkham (Nangarhar province) and Spin Boldak (Kandahar province) border crossings from Aug 13—19, according to the Border Monitoring Team of the Directorate of Refugees and Repatriation (DoRR).

Of the total returnees, 849 were spontaneous returnees and 56 were deported. This number is a **39% decrease** compared to the previous week. The total number of undocumented Afghan returnees from Pakistan since 01 January 2017 is now 82,191. IOM provided post-arrival assistance to **95%** of undocumented Afghan returnees from Pakistan (862 individuals), including 643 individuals in poor families, 214 individuals in single parent families and 5 special cases. The assistance provided includes meals, accommodation, basic medical screening, Non-Food Items (NFIs), onward transportation cash grants and referral services, as well as support from partners.



*Returnee families from Pakistan in Spin Boldak © IOM 2017*

## Situation Overview

IOM is responding to a substantial increase in the return of undocumented Afghans from Pakistan and Iran. Since 01 January 2017, over 307,000 undocumented Afghans have returned due to diverse push factors, including deteriorating protection space in Pakistan and Iran. This figure represents a significantly higher rate of return than in previous years. Most of those returning have lived outside of Afghanistan for decades, and will need support from the government and humanitarian actors both on arrival and as they seek to reintegrate.

As the rate of return is influenced by a number of political, security and other related factors both in Afghanistan and neighboring countries, another surge in returns could occur at any time. IOM estimates that approximately 500,000 undocumented Afghans could return from Pakistan and Iran in 2017, and is working to scale up its support to returnees in coordination with the Government of Afghanistan and other humanitarian partners.

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A young girl who returned with her family from Iran at IOM's Transit Center in Zaranj / Nimroz © IOM 2017

Returns from Iran

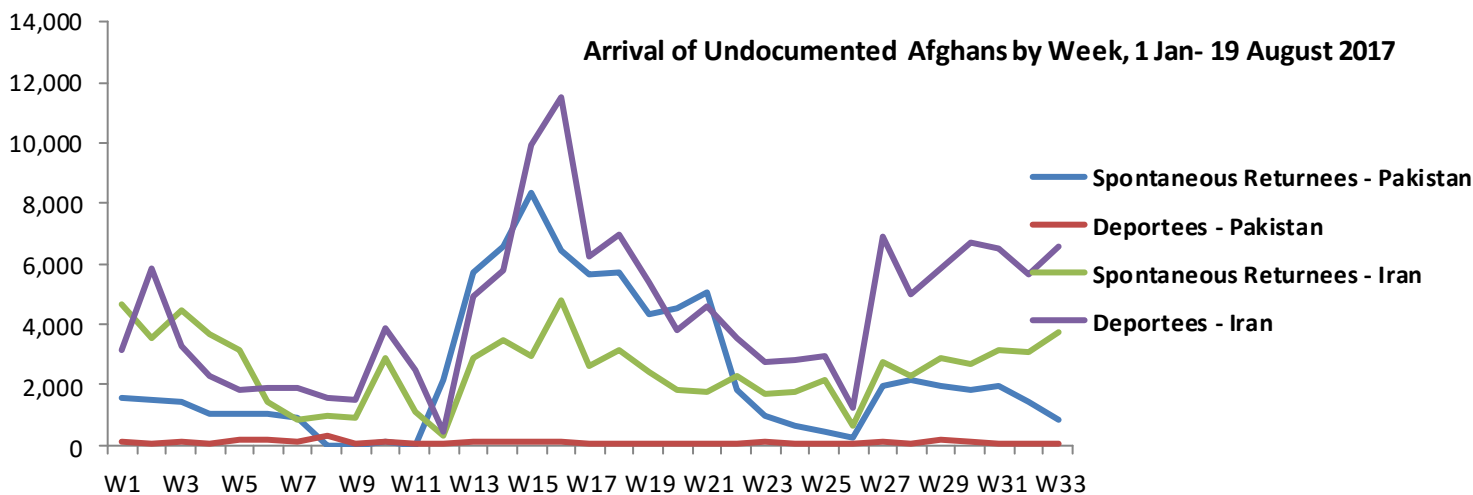
A total of **10,248** undocumented Afghans spontaneously returned or were deported from Iran through the Milak (Nimroz) border crossing between August 13-19 2017, **17% more** than in the previous week. The Islam Qala (Herat) border crossing remains mostly closed to undocumented returnees with only 2 spontaneous returns and 5 deportations. Of the total spontaneous returnees, 3,372 (91%) were individuals. Similarly, out of the total deportees, 814 (12%) were in family groups whereas 5,725 (88%) were individuals. This brings the total number of undocumented returnees from Iran since 01 January 2017 to 225,332. IOM provided post-arrival humanitarian assistance to **415 (4%)** undocumented Afghans deported from Iran at its Transit Center in Nimroz, including 312 deported families, 19 special cases, 48 unaccompanied migrant children, 15 medical cases, and 7 unaccompanied elderly.

Number of Undocumented Returnees in 2017 (Turkham, Spin Boldak, Islam Qala and Milak)

Date	Spontaneous Returnees				Deportees				Total Pakistan	Total Iran	Grand Total
	Turkham	Spin Boldak	Herat	Nimroz	Turkham	Spin Boldak	Herat	Nimroz			
Jan - Apr 17	28,022	16,132	17,077	27,945	1,316	482	7,183	58,967	45,952	111,172	157,124
May-17	18,111	1889	40	10,148	210	0	17	22,257	20,210	32,462	52,672
Jun-17	1,240	1861	34	6,909	136	63	7	10,680	3,300	17,630	20,930
01-29 July	3,882	4094	4	10,731	276	123	1	24,668	8,375	35,404	43,779
30 July- 5 Aug	905	1048	2	3,121	32	0	0	6,527	1,985	9,650	11,635
06-12 Aug	706	696	0	3,111	46	16	0	5,655	1,464	8,766	10,230
13-19 Aug	584	265	2	3,706	56	0	5	6,535	905	10,248	11,153
<b>Total</b>	<b>53,450</b>	<b>25,985</b>	<b>17,159</b>	<b>65,671</b>	<b>2,072</b>	<b>684</b>	<b>7,213</b>	<b>135,289</b>	<b>82,191</b>	<b>225,332</b>	<b>307,523</b>

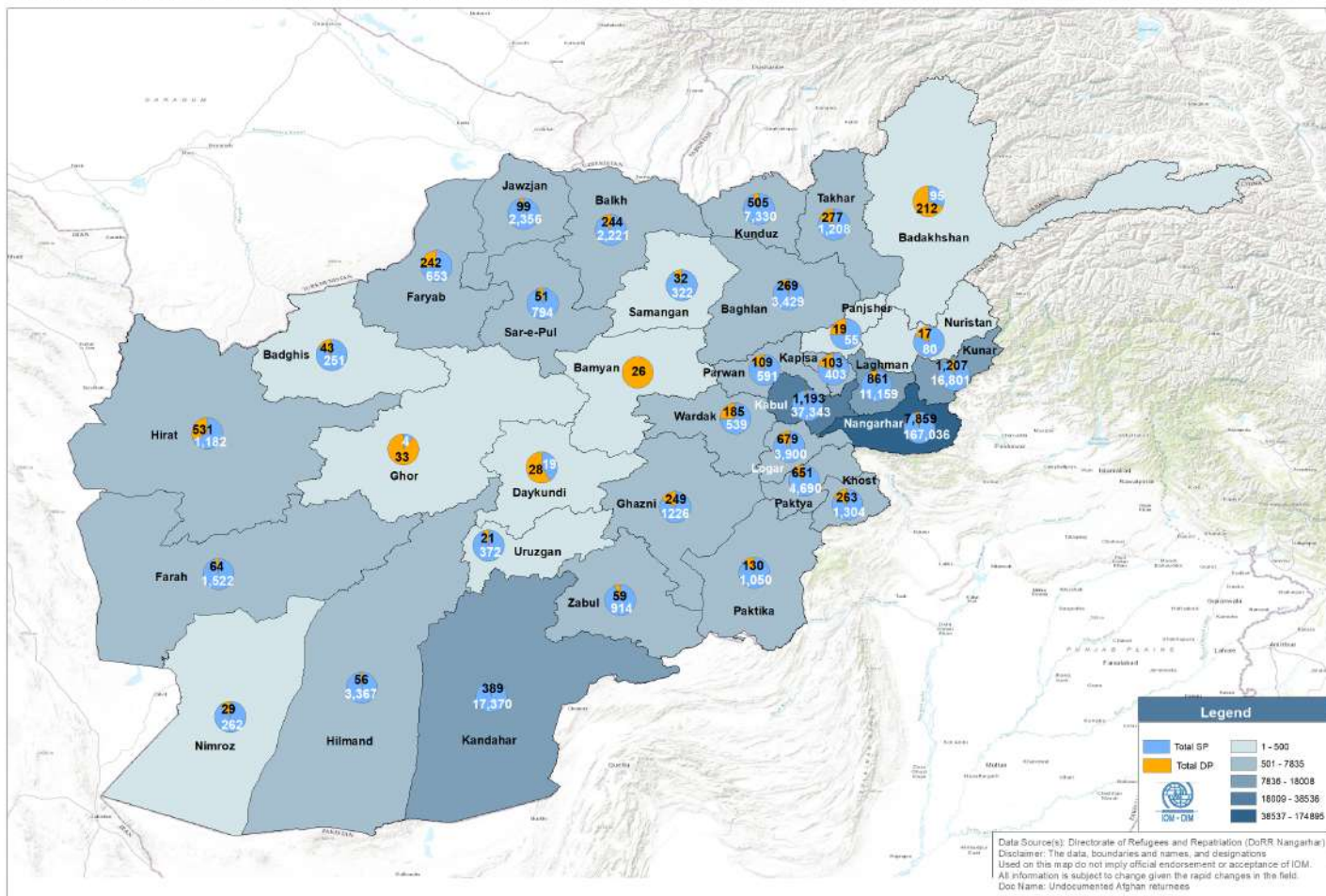
IOM Assisted Undocumented Afghans in 2017 (Turkham, Spin Boldak, Islam Qala and Milak)

Date	Spontaneous Returnees				Deportees				Total Pakistan	Total Iran	Grand Total
	Turkham	Spin Boldak	Herat	Nimroz	Turkham	Spin Boldak	Herat	Nimroz			
Jan - Apr 17	25,702	9,921	84	204	296	369	639	3881	36,288	4,808	41,096
May-17	17,892	1,452	19	153	52	0	13	1391	19,396	1,576	20,972
Jun-17	1,154	1,470	22	47	18	16	0	885	2,658	954	3,612
01-29 July	3,983	3,869	4	93	57	63	1	1617	7,972	1,715	9,687
30 July- 5 Aug	914	990	2	15	3	0	0	325	1,907	342	2,249
06-12 Aug	702	650	0	19	10	16	0	443	1,378	462	1,840
13-19 Aug	592	265	1	1	5	0	0	413	862	415	1,277
<b>Total</b>	<b>50,939</b>	<b>18,617</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>532</b>	<b>441</b>	<b>464</b>	<b>653</b>	<b>8,955</b>	<b>70,461</b>	<b>10,272</b>	<b>80,733</b>





AFGHANISTAN Final Destination of Undocumented Afghan Returnees and Deportees from Pakistan Jan 2016–12th Aug 2017



Annex 1: Detailed Breakdown of Assistance Provided by Partners at Milak BCP, Aug 13-19 2017

Categories	Humanitarian Assistance to UAM	Repatriation Assistance to UAM
UNICEF / War Child UK	48	48
<b>Total</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>48</b>

## Annex 2: Detailed Breakdown of Assistance Provided by Partners at Turkham and Spin Boldak BCP, Aug 13-19 2017

Organization	Location	Type of Assistance	Families Assisted	Total Individual Assisted	Male	Female	Boys	Girls
WFP	Transit Center	Food Package	145	857	98	135	175	184
WHO	Transit Center	Medical Services	53	129	9	49	30	41
	Transit Center	OPV Vaccination for children (>10 years)	0	23	0	0	11	12
	Transit Center	OPV Vaccination for children (<10 years)	0	12	0	0	1	11
	Transit Center	IPV Vaccination for children (4 m -5 years)	0	147	0	0	63	84
	Transit Center	Measle Vaccination for children (6 m -5 years)	0	103	0	0	52	51
UNICEF	Transit Center	Hygiene Kits	68	381	65	88	114	114
	Transit Center	Family Kit	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Transit Center	Hygiene Awareness Training	106	677	118	162	190	207
	Transit Center	Child Friendly Space	0	120	0	0	61	59
	Transit Center	Nutrition services for children 6-59 months, and pregnant women and lactating mothers	0	46	0	0	18	28
UNFPA	Transit Center	Dignity kits	39	211	33	47	61	70
AADA/ UNFPA	Zero Point	Medical Services	0	360	164	99	49	48
	Zero Point	OPV Vaccination for children (<10 years)	0	582	0	0	0	0
	Zero Point	OPV Vaccination for children (>10 years)	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Zero Point	IPV Vaccination for children (<10 years)	0	124	0	0	63	61
	Zero Point	Measle Vaccination for children (<10 years)	0	123	0	0	62	61
	Zero Point	HIV/AIDS Awareness	0	521	123	96	152	150
AADA/ UNICEF	Zero Point	Nutrition services for children (6-59 months), pregnant women and lactating mothers	0	182	0	53	64	65
UNMAS- OMAR	Transit Center	Mine Risk Education	34	909	98	109	236	234

## Annex 3: Breakdown of Assistance Provided at all Border Crossings, Aug 13-19 2017

Categories	Turkham	Spin Boldak	Islam Qala	Milak	Total
Non-Food Item (NFI) Kits	107	45		72	224
Medical Care	129	24		0	153
Tuberculosis Screening	597	265		186	1048
Overnight Accommodation	5	82		405	492
<b>Total</b>	<b>838</b>	<b>416</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>663</b>	<b>1917</b>

Annex 3: Breakdown of Provinces and States of Exile, Origin and Final Destination of Undocumented Afghans

Figure 1: Areas of Departure of Undocumented from Pakistan, Jan 01—Aug 12, 2017

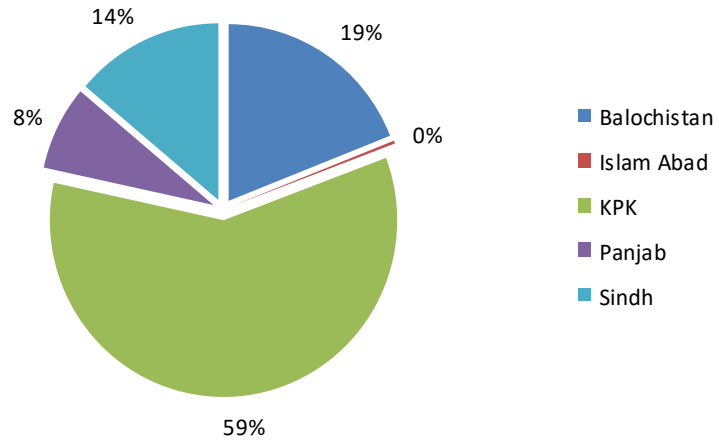


Figure 2: Top 8 provinces of Final Destination of Undocumented Afghans in Afghanistan, Jan 01—Aug 12, 2017

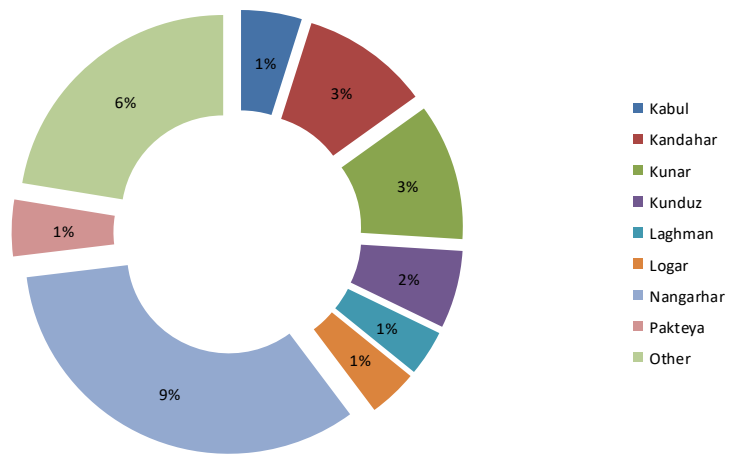
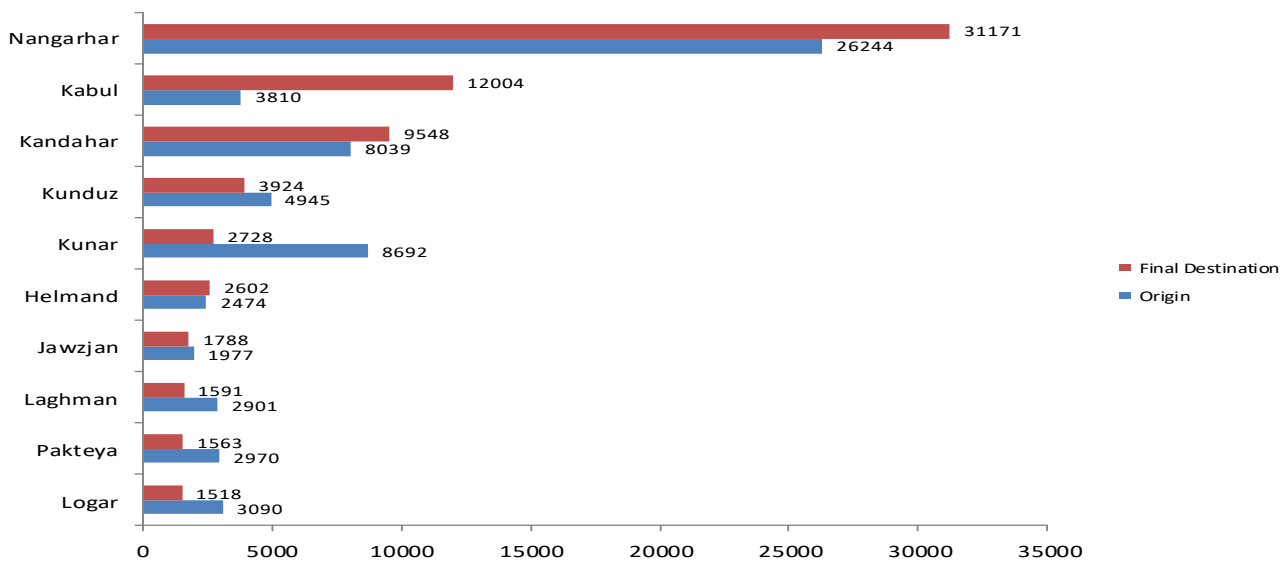


Figure 3: Top 8 Provinces of Final Destination Versus Provinces of Origin, Jan 01—Aug 12, 2017



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