



A group of returnee families from Pakistan in front of IOM's Kandahar Transit Center © IOM 2017

Return from Pakistan

A total of **1,885** undocumented Afghans spontaneously returned or were deported from Pakistan through the Turkham border (Nangarhar province) and Spin Boldak (Kandahar province) border crossings from July 23-29 according to the Border Monitoring Team of the Directorate of Refugees and Repatriation (DoRR).

Of the total returnees, 1,798 were spontaneous returnees and 87 were deported. This number is a **13% decrease** compared to the previous week. The total number of undocumented Afghan returnees from Pakistan since 01 January 2017 is now 77,837.

IOM provided post-arrival assistance to **91%** of undocumented Afghan returnees from Pakistan (1,724 individuals), including 1,685 individuals in poor families, 276 single parents and 4 special cases. Additionally, IOM provided assistance to 250 individuals in poor families who were unable to collect their assistance on the day of their return, due to the closure of the Nangarhar Transit Center between June 30 and July 3.

Highlights

1,885 undocumented Afghans returned from Pakistan

9,393 undocumented Afghans returned from Iran

77,837 total returns from Pakistan since 01 January 2017

196,668 total returns from Iran since 01 January 2017

91% of returnees from Pakistan (1,724 individuals) assisted

4% of returnees from Iran (358 individuals) assisted

Situation Overview

IOM is responding to a substantial increase in the return of undocumented Afghans from Pakistan and Iran. Since 01 January 2017, over 274,000 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 600,000 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 returnee family from Pakistan, headed for their place of origin in Helmand province © IOM 2017

Returns from Iran

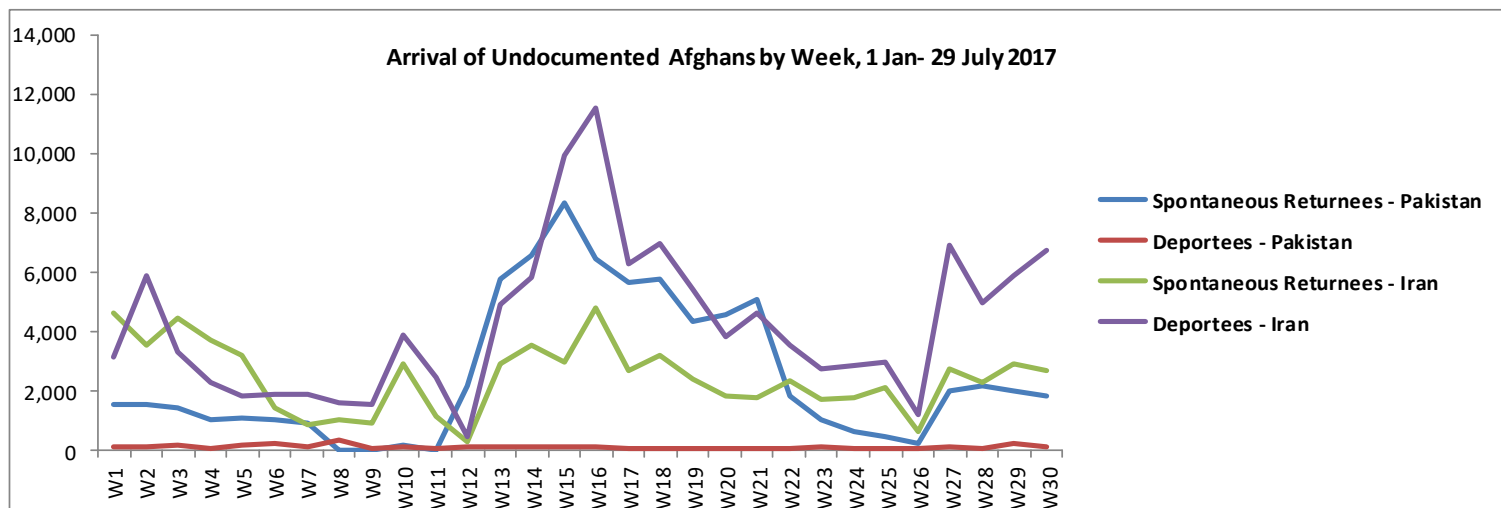
A total of **9,393** undocumented Afghans spontaneously returned or were deported from Iran through the Milak (Nimroz) border crossing between July 23-29 2017, **7% more** than in the previous week. The Islam Qala (Herat) border crossing remains closed to undocumented returnees, with nobody spontaneously returning or being deported there last week. Of the total spontaneous returnees, 2,480 (92%) were individuals. Similarly, out of the total deportees, 450 (7%) were in family groups whereas 6,259 (93%) were individuals. This brings the total number of undocumented returnees from Iran since 01 January 2017 to 196,668. IOM provided post-arrival humanitarian assistance to **358 (4%)** undocumented Afghans deported from Iran at its Transit Center in Nimroz, including 21 special cases, 46 unaccompanied migrant children, 5 unaccompanied elderly, and 11 medical cases.

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
01-08 July	1,104	957	2	2,865	90	0	0	7,138	2,151	10,005	12,156
09-15 July	1,172	982	1	2,273	23	0	1	4,963	2,177	7,238	9,415
16-22 July	846	1117	1	2,909	76	123	0	5,858	2,162	8,768	10,930
23-29 July	760	1038	0	2,684	87	0	0	6,709	1,885	9,393	11,278
Total	51,255	23,976	17,155	55,733	1,938	668	7,208	116,572	77,837	196,668	274,505

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
01-08 July	965	889	2	10	13	0	0	478	1,867	490	2,357
09-15 July	1,162	940	1	33	20	0	1	294	2,122	329	2,451
16-22 July	846	1,089	1	13	11	63	0	510	2,009	524	2,533
23-29 July	1,010	951	0	23	13	0	0	335	1,974	358	2,332
Total	48,731	16,712	129	483	423	448	653	7,774	66,314	9,039	75,353



Annex 1: Detailed Breakdown of Assistance Provided by Partners at Turkham and Spin Boldak BCP, July 23-29 2017

Organization	Location	Type of Assistance	Families Assisted	Total Individual Assisted	Male	Female	Boys	Girls
WFP	Transit Center	Food Package	343	1961	159	232	303	316
WHO	Transit Center	Medical Services	53	99	10	45	19	25
	Transit Center	OPV Vaccination for children (>10 years)	0	0	0	0	57	64
	Transit Center	OPV Vaccination for children (<10 years)	0	0	0	0	30	52
	Transit Center	IPV Vaccination for children (4 m -5 years)	0	152	0	0	129	145
	Transit Center	Measle Vaccination for children (6 m -5 years)	0	145	0	0	105	105
UNICEF	Transit Center	Hygiene Kits	189	1010	159	232	303	316
	Transit Center	Family Kit	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Transit Center	Hygiene Awareness Training	272	1658	244	402	570	442
	Transit Center	Child Friendly Space	0	293	0	0	141	152
	Transit Center	Nutrition services for children 6-59 months, and pregnant women and lactating mothers	0	313	0	60	133	120
UNFPA	Transit Center	Dignity kits	0	0	0	0	0	0
AADA/ UNFPA	Zero Point	Medical Services	0	482	143	160	101	78
	Zero Point	OPV Vaccination for children (<10 years)	0	633	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	250	0	0	125	125
	Zero Point	Measle Vaccination for children (<10 years)	0	241	0	0	121	120
	Zero Point	HIV/AIDS Awareness	0	1024	273	183	373	195
AADA/ UNICEF	Zero Point	Nutrition services for children (6-59 months), pregnant women and lactating mothers	0	326	0	83	122	121
UNMAS- OMAR	Transit Center	Mine Risk Education	154	1522	115	76	249	131

Annex 2: Breakdown of Assistance Provided at all Border Crossings, July 23-29 2017

Categories	Turkham	Spin Boldak	Islam Qala	Milak	Total
Non-Food Item (NFI) Kits	189	171		68	428
Medical Care	99	127			226
Tuberculosis Screening	1023	951		351	2325
Overnight Accommodation	13	437		365	815
Total	1324	1686	0	784	3794

Annex 3: Transportation Cash Grant at Kandahar Transit Center, July 23-29 2017

No. of Families	No. of Individuals	Province of Final Destination	Transportation Grant (Per Person)	Total (USD)
1	6	Badakhshan	\$50	300
1	9	Baghlan	\$40	360
10	59	Balkh	\$40	2,360
2	15	Ghazni	\$35	525
9	73	Helmand	\$40	2,920
4	25	Herat	\$30	750
46	249	Jawzjan	\$50	12,450
7	33	Kabul	\$30	990
47	334	Kandahar	\$30	10,020
1	2	Kunar	\$50	100
14	73	Kunduz	\$50	3,650
4	19	Laghman	\$40	760
1	11	Paktika	\$50	550
1	9	SarePul	\$50	450
1	2	Takhar	\$50	100
1	5	Wardak	\$30	150
4	27	Zabul	\$40	1,080
Total			Total	37,515



Returnee families from Pakistan have loaded their NFI kits given by IOM into taxis at Kandahar Transit Center © IOM 2017

Annex 4: Transportation Cash Grant at Turkham Transit Center, July 23-29 2017

No. of Families	No. of Individuals	Province of Final Destination	Transportation Grant (Per Person)	Total (USD)
1	8	Badakhshan	\$50	400
2	12	Baghlan	\$50	600
1	4	Faryab	\$50	200
2	10	Jawzjan	\$50	500
57	286	Kabul	\$30	8,580
7	32	Khost	\$36	1,152
4	14	Kunduz	\$50	700
7	47	Kunar	\$30	1,410
5	22	Laghman	\$30	660
2	9	Logar	\$36	324
93	522	Nangarhar	\$25	13,050
6	29	Paktya	\$36	1,044
1	11	Parwan	\$36	396
1	4	Takhar	\$50	200
189	1010	-	-	29,216

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