

## Key issues in the past week:

- Around 500 houses were damaged or destroyed by three earthquakes that shook Afghanistan.
- More than 15,000 people have been verified as having migrated to Hirat due to the drought.
- Partners of the Health Cluster reached more than 60,000 people in the past week.
- More than 14,000 people received emergency aid from UN Agencies, NGOs and authorities.

**14,560**

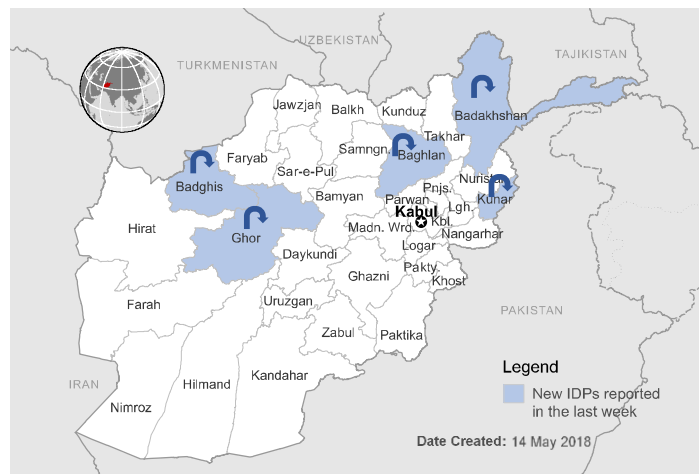
New IDPs reported in the past week

**14,100**

People assisted in the past week

**85,532**

Total verified IDPs in 2018



Provinces with conflict displacement in the past week, according to initial reports.

## Countrywide conflict displacement

A total of 85,532 people has been displaced by conflict since the beginning of the year, according to OCHA's [Displacement Tracking System \(DTS\)](#) up by more than 2,100 people compared to the previous week. The DTS tracks displacements based on humanitarian inter-agency assessments.

### Conflict Displacement Alerts *(see map)*

Displacement alerts are shared based on initial information from authorities or humanitarian partners on the ground. Numbers can change as more information becomes available.

**Northern & North-Eastern Region:** Nearly 2,000 people were reportedly displaced from Khalazai area of Pul-e-Khumri City to the centre. Conflict in Teshkan district of Badakhshan displaced around 4,000 to Darayem and Keshem districts.

**Eastern Region:** Nearly 600 people have reportedly been displaced from five districts in Kunar province, according to authorities. Further, clashes between armed groups in Nurgal district, Kunar, have reportedly displaced some 300 people within the district.

**Southern Region:** The displacement of some 2,100 people in Nahr-e-Saraj district, Hilmand, to the district centre Greshk reported in the past week, has been confirmed and humanitarian partners will deploy assessment teams shortly.

**Western Region:** Fighting in Shahrak district, Ghor, displaced around 5,000 people within the district and to DoLayna and Chaghcharan City, according to first reports *(see access section)*. Fighting in Abkamari district, Badghis, reportedly displaced 560 people to the provincial capital Qala-e-Naw.

## Natural Disasters and Drought

Two earthquakes on 9 May and one on 10 May with a magnitude ranging from 4.8 and 6.2 on the Richter scale were felt in Afghanistan. Around 500 houses have been damaged or destroyed, the majority of them in Badakhshan Province, according to ANDMA. Inter-agency assessments are ongoing.

Flash floods in Baghlan and Bamyán reportedly damaged 19 and destroyed 2 houses as well as agricultural land and roads.

In the past week, more than 15,000 people were verified as having migrated from Ghor and Badghis provinces to Hirat Province due to the drought. Authorities in Hirat have designated a location in Dasht-e-Hawz, 20 kilometres north of Hirat City, where these people will be able to temporarily settle and where they can be provided with emergency assistance.

## Returns to Afghanistan

UNHCR repatriated and assisted 843 Afghan refugees from Pakistan and 35 from Iran. This brings the total number of returning refugees to Afghanistan in 2018 to 6,231 people.

## Security Incidents and Humanitarian Access

Assessments of the families displaced in Shahrak and DoLayna districts, Ghor, are currently not feasible due to landmines and the presence of members of armed groups.

Night raids by security forces in rural areas of Hilmand, Kandahar and Uruzgan have affected some health facilities providing trauma care around the clock as staff members have been detained. Members of armed groups also interfere with the health services by reportedly spending their nights in them and interfere with aid distributions in areas under their control.

## Gaps and Capacity Updates

The humanitarian response to cover the urgent needs of 129 displaced families is pending in Kapisa Province as the usual NGO-partners find themselves between funding cycles. Response capacities with other partners are being explored.

Nearly 800 families who recently have returned from displacement to their villages in Nad-e-Ali / Marja district, Hilmand, are in dire need, according to assessment teams. They never had been assisted during their displacement.

## Cluster Updates

Partners of the **Health Cluster** led by WHO reached 60,856 people with health services and consultations in 23 districts of 7 Provinces in the past week.

The **Sub-Cluster Gender Based Violence (GBV)** led by UNFPA reached nearly 7,000 people with GBV-services, including 816 survivors of gender based violence.

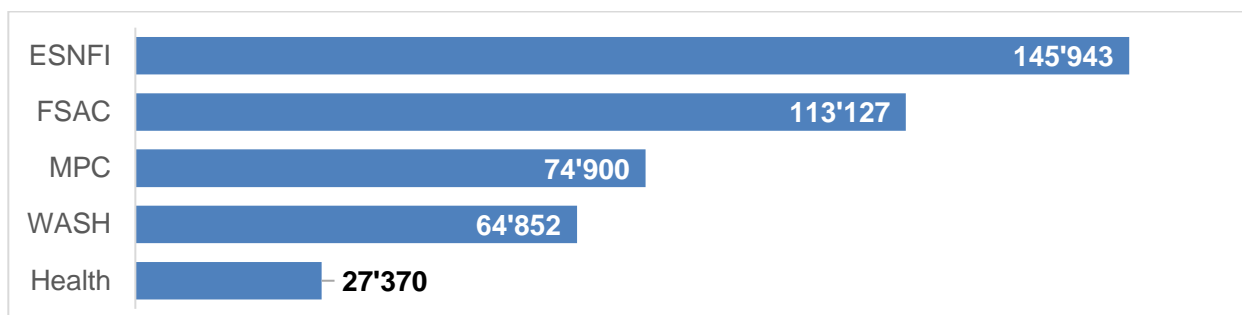
## Ongoing Response Activities *(see page 2 for details)*

During the past week, more than 14,000 displaced people, returnees, refugees, members of vulnerable host families and people who migrated due to the drought received some form of humanitarian assistance.

Distributions and activities were reported to OCHA from Badakhshan, Hirat, Kabul, Kunar, Laghman and Nangarhar provinces. Humanitarian organisations and authorities who delivered aid included **CARE, DACAAR, IOM, IRC, Mission East, NCRO, RI, UNHCR, UNICEF** and **WFP**. In addition, WHO trained 20 doctors and midwives the Eastern Region on essential care for new-borns.

**Conflict IDPs assisted by region and sector in the past week**

Region	Sector	Type of Assistance	Number of Beneficiaries	Partners
Capital	ESNFI	Family kits	1'330	CARE
		NFI Kits (Complete)	231	CARE
	FSAC	Food Package	1'330	WFP
Eastern	ESNFI	Cash	6'169	NCRO
		NFI Kits (Complete)	6'169	IOM
	WASH	Emergency latrines	595	DACAAR
Western	ESNFI	Hygiene education	3'290	DACAAR
		Cash	189	IRC
	FSAC	Food Package	189	WFP
	WASH	Chlorine	189	DACAAR
		Female hygiene kits	189	DACAAR
		Hygiene education	189	DACAAR

**Internally Displaced People assisted by sector in 2018**

**Sources:** The Weekly Field Report is prepared by OCHA in collaboration with humanitarian partners and Clusters.

**Acronyms:** ACF, Action Against Hunger | AA, Afghan Aid | AFN, Afghan afghani; 1,000 AFN ~ US\$14.60 | ANDMA, Afghanistan National Disaster Management Authority | ANSF, Afghan National Security Forces | ARCS, Afghan Red Crescent Society | CWSA, Community World Service Asia | DAC, District Administrative Centre | BPHS, Basic Package of Health Services | DACAAR, Danish Committee for Aid to Afghan Refugees | DoRR, Directorate of Refugees and Repatriation | DRA, Dutch Relief Alliance | DRC-DDG, Danish Refugee Council - Danish Demining Group | ESNFI, Emergency Shelter & NFI Cluster | FSAC, Food Security & Agriculture Cluster | HRDA, Human Resource Development Agency | ICRC, International Committee of the Red Cross | IDP, Internally Displaced Person | IFRC, International Federation of Red Cross And Red Crescent | IMC, International Medical Corps | IOM, International Organization for Migration | IRC, International Rescue Committee | NFI, Non-food item | NCRO, New Consultancy and Relief Organization | NRC, Norwegian Refugee Council | NSAG, Non-State Armed Group | MPC, multi-purpose cash assistance | OCT, Operational Coordination Team | OHC, Organization for Humanitarian and Development | PIN, People In Need | PU-AMI, Première Urgence - Aide Médicale Internationale | RI, Relief International | SCI, Save the Children International | SHPOUL, Sound Humanitarian, Participatory & Organizational Uplift | SI, Solidarités International | SVA, Shanti Volunteer Association | UNHCR, Office of the UN High Commissioner for Refugees | UNICEF, UN Children's Fund | UNMAS, UN Mine Action Service | WASH, Water, Sanitation and Hygiene | WFP, World Food Programme |

**Remark:** To calculate the number of people per displaced family, the national average of seven family members is used.

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