

Key issues in the past week:

- **Authorities distributed wheat grain to 100,000 people in four districts of Badghis Province.**
- **Cash distribution to 58,000 drought-affected people is underway in Hirat City and Qala-e-Naw.**
- **All health facilities in Zabul have been closed, depriving 300,000 people from access to services.**
- **In Kunar, 12 members of a mine clearance team of a local NGO were abducted on 18 July.**

7,700

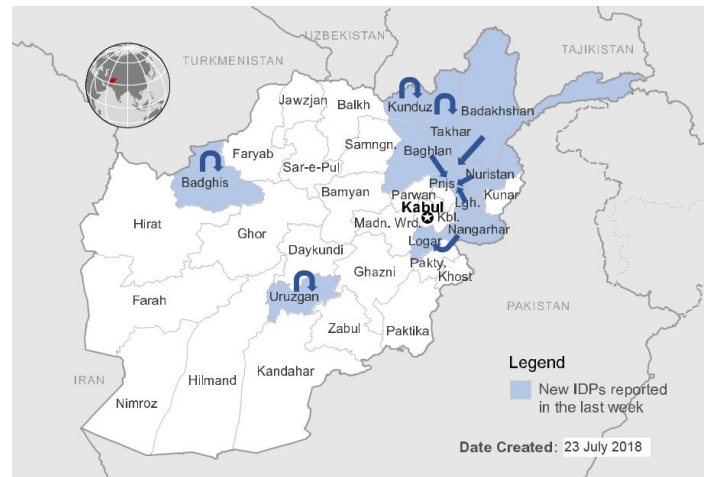
New IDPs reported in the past week

9,200

People assisted in the past week

162,000

Total verified IDPs in 2018



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

Countrywide conflict displacement

A total of 162,157 people has been verified as having been displaced by conflict in 2018, according to OCHA's [Displacement Tracking System \(DTS\)](#). This is up by 7,704 displaced people compared to the past week.

Conflict Displacement Alerts *(see map)*

Alerts of conflict displacement are shared based on initial information received from the ground. Numbers can change as more information becomes available.

Central Region: In the past two months, more than 600 people have arrived in different districts of Panjsher Province from Badakhshan, Baghlan, Laghman and Nuristan provinces, according to authorities. More than 900 people reportedly arrived in Pul-e-Alam, Logar, from Chaparhar district, Nangarhar, due to insecurity and intimidation by members of armed groups.

North- and North-Eastern Region: Humanitarian assessments have begun for more than 2,100 displaced people in Taloqan, Takhar, who were displaced by fighting in two districts. Nearly 1,400 people have reportedly arrived in Kunduz City, Kunduz, due to fighting in two districts within the same province, according to authorities.

Southern Region: Community elders reported the arrival of more than 800 displaced people in Tirinkot City, Uruzgan, from different localities within the province.

Western Region: According to authorities, around 560 people were displaced within Muqur district, Badghis, due to inter-tribal disputes over agricultural land.

Drought *(see response section)*

According to first reports, 560 people have been newly displaced within Muqur district, Badghis, due to the drought. An assessment team has been deployed.

In Hirat City, Hirat, humanitarian teams have verified a total 51,000 people who migrated to the city from drought affected areas in neighbouring Badghis and Ghor provinces. The families are living in informal sites in the outskirts of the cities in makeshift shelters in dire conditions.

In Qala-e-Naw, Badghis, teams identified nearly 7,000 people who moved from rural areas to the provincial capital due to the drought. In the Southern Region, up to 98,000 people are estimated to be in need of assistance in the

coming months, according to the FSAC Cluster, and could be forced to move to cities if they do not get assistance.

A multi-sector assessment conducted by World Vision International in rural areas of five districts in Badghis indicates high vulnerabilities. Priority needs are clean drinking water and nutrition services, as malnutrition rates are high amongst girls and boys under five years.

Returns to Afghanistan

From 15 to 21 July, a total of 19,130 Afghan citizens returned to their home country. According to [UNHCR](#), 450 Afghan refugees returned voluntarily from Pakistan and 65 from Iran. According to [IOM](#), 777 Afghan citizens returned from Pakistan on their own and 146 were deported, from Iran, 8,853 returned on their own and 9,639 were deported.

Security Incidents and Humanitarian Access

In a remote area of Dara-e-Pech district, Kunar, members of an armed group abducted 12 de-miners of a local NGO on 18 July. Their whereabouts remains unclear to date.

In Anardara district, Farah, three NGO workers were reportedly detained at an illegal checkpoint of an armed group. They were released the next day unharmed.

All 46 health facilities in Zabul Province are closed, depriving 300,000 people from access to health care.

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

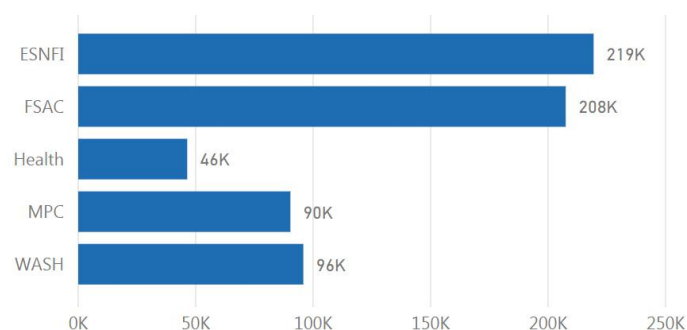
During the past week, more than 9,200 people affected by conflict, natural disasters and drought received humanitarian assistance or participated in sensitisation activities across the country. Assistance included notably cash, food, hygiene kits, latrines, NFI, WASH packages and services. Activities were reported from Badghis, Hirat, Jawzjan, Kunar, Kunduz, Laghman, Nangarhar and Panjsher by organisations including [ADA/Oxfam](#), [APA](#), [CWSA](#), [DACAAR](#), [DRC-DDG](#), [DRC-DDG](#), [IMC](#), [IOM](#), [IRC](#), [NCRO](#), [PU-AMI](#), [RI](#), [SCI](#), [UNICEF](#) and [WFP](#).

Further, in response to the drought, authorities distributed wheat grain to 100,000 people in four districts of Badghis in the past week and WFP is preparing the distribution of food for 140,000 people in two other districts. Cash distribution to 58,000 people is currently underway in Hirat City and Qala-e-Naw and water trucking for families in informal sites continues in both cities.

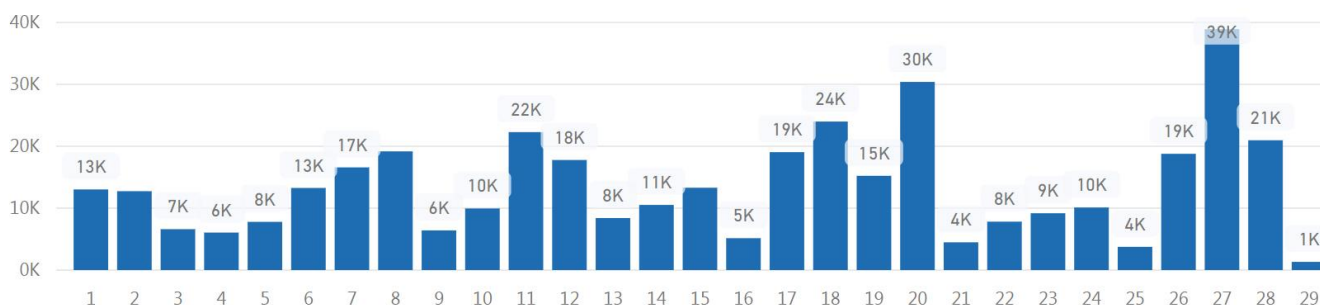
People displaced by conflict assisted in the past week

Region	Cluster	Response Type	People Assisted	Partners
Eastern	ESNFI	Cash	349	, PU-AMI
Eastern	FSAC	Food Package	349	, WFP
Southern	ESNFI	Family kits	456	, UNICEF
Southern	ESNFI	NFI Kits (Complete)	525	, SCI
Southern	ESNFI	Plastic Sheets	456	, UNICEF
Southern	ESNFI	Tarpaulins	456	, UNICEF
Southern	FSAC	Cash for food	525	, NRC
Southern	MPC	Unconditional cash	525	, NRC
Southern	WASH	Emergency latrines	14	, DACAAR
Southern	WASH	Hygiene education	456	, UNICEF
Southern	WASH	Hygiene kits	525	, DACAAR, UNICEF
Southern	WASH	Other	981	, DACAAR, UNICEF
Southern	WASH	Water containers	456	, UNICEF
Southern	WASH	Water treatment tablet	456	, UNICEF
Western	WASH	Chlorine	63	, DACAAR
Western	WASH	Hygiene education	63	, DACAAR
Western	WASH	Hygiene kits	63	, DACAAR

Internally Displaced People assisted by sector in 2018



Internally Displaced People assisted by week 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 | COAR, Coordination of Afghan Relief | 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 | DRRD, Department for Rural Rehabilitation and Development | 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 | IED, improvised explosive device | 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 | WHH, Welthungerhilfe |

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

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