AFGHANISTAN

Snapshot of Population Movements (January - March 2021)

As of 20 Mar 2021

In 2021, displacement due to ongoing conflict and natural disasters is continuing to drive humanitarian needs in Afghanistan. Almost 81,000 people have left their homes this year due to fighting. Many of these people remain displaced across the country, as conflict and poverty prevent them from returning to their areas of origin. In addition to this, close to 239,500 people have returned from neighbouring countries to Afghanistan so far this year including 236,000 from Iran, and 3,500 from Pakistan, while a small number also returned from Europe.

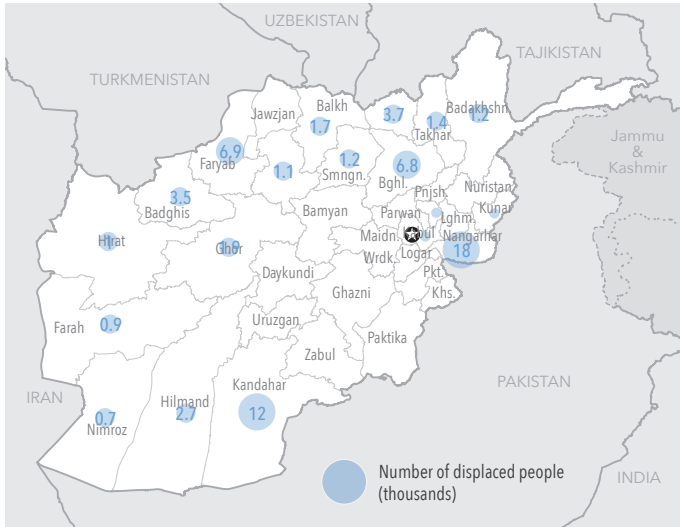
INTERNALLY DISPLACED PEOPLE

81,000 people newly displaced in 2020

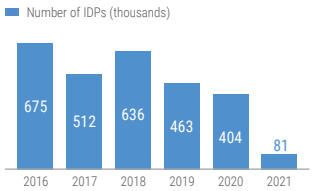
Same period previous years
↓2020: **80,000** new IDPs
↑2019: **122,000** new IDPs

20% adult male | 21% adult female | 59% children under 18

Internally displaced people by province of arrival

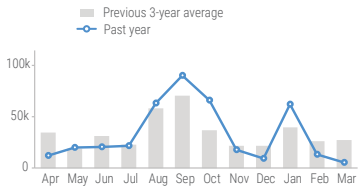


Past six years



*2018 number also includes people displaced due to drought and other factors

Monthly trends



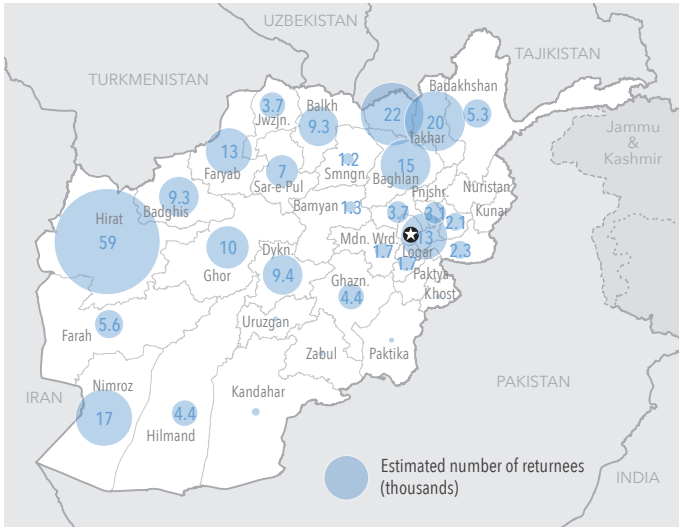
RETURNEES FROM IRAN

236,000 people returned from Iran in 2021

Same period previous years
↓2020: **223,000** returnees
↓2019: **93,000** returnees

43% adult male | 14% adult female | 43% children under 18

Estimated returnees by intended province of return



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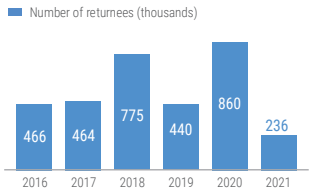

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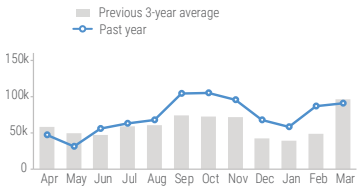


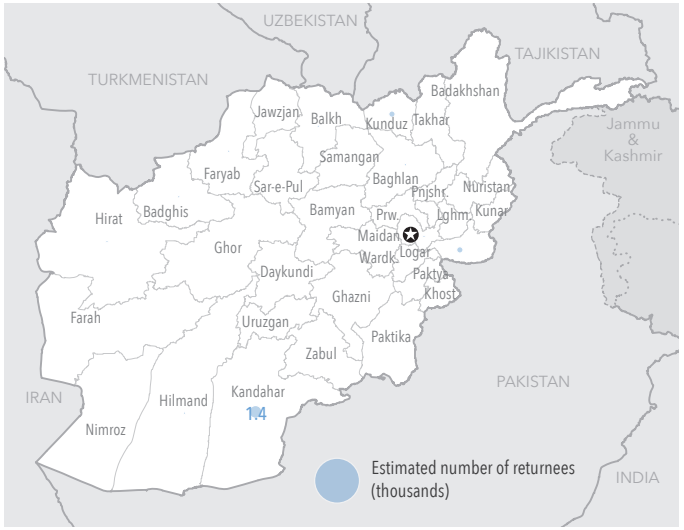
RETURNEES FROM PAKISTAN

3,500 people returned from Pakistan in 2021

Same period previous years
↓2020: **2,000** returnees
↑2019: **5,000** returnees

20% adult male | 26% adult female | 54% children under 18

Estimated returnees by intended province of return



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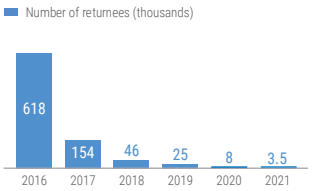

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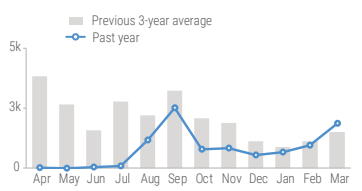

Data sources: Newly displaced people due to conflict from 1 Jan to 31 Mar 2021, compiled by OCHA sub offices based on inter-agency assessment results (as of 31 Mar 2021). Returnees from Pakistan and Iran from 1 Jan to 31 Mar 2021 (IOM/UMHCR). These numbers are subject to change as more information becomes available.
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