

Key issues in the past week:

The situation in Malistan and Jaghuri districts in Ghazni province is gradually becoming normal. IDPs have started returning to their place of origin.

Based on initial reports, 6,720 people were displaced in the past week, out of which 1,400 were displaced due to drought.

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New IDPs reported in the past week

578,000

People assisted in the past week

306,200

Total verified IDPs in 2018



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

Countrywide conflict displacement

A total of 306,200 people have been verified as being displaced by conflict in 2018. According to OCHA's Displacement Tracking System (DTS), the number of verified IDPs remains same from previous week. Overall, the number of people displaced so far is 36.6% less than the same period last year (482,909).

Conflict Displacement Alerts

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

Central Region:

According to ANDMA, 60 families were displaced from Malistan and Jaghuri districts to Miramor and Shahristan in Daykundi province.

Southern Region:

Hilmand DoRR reported about 90 IDP HHs (about 600 individuals) displaced from Jaghuri district in Ghazni and Farah province to Lashkargah due to ongoing insecurity.

NNER Region:

DoRR reported that 572 families (about 4,000 individuals) have been displaced from different parts of Takhar to Taloqan city. Joint assessment teams have already been deployed to assess the needs of these families. In addition to this, DoRR Badakhshan reported that 48 families (about 335 people) had been displaced from Argo to Faizabad.

Drought

Hilmand ANDMA reported about 1,400 individuals displaced from Khanshin to Lashkargah due to drought and lack of water. As part of the drought response in rural areas, WFP and its partners delivered 3,500 metric tons of food for more than 398,000 people in 13 provinces, in the last week of November (20-27 November). In the past month, more than 1.4 million people received food or cash from WFP as part of the ongoing full-scale drought response that plans to reach 2.5 million people by end of the year.

Cluster updates

The Gender Based Violence (GBV) sub-cluster led by UNFPA reached more than 8,378 people in the past week in western, central, northern and eastern regions with GBV services and health education.

Returns to Afghanistan

As of 1 December, close to 768,000 Afghans living in Iran and Pakistan have returned to Afghanistan in 2018. This includes 723,600 returnees from Iran and 44,300 returnees from Pakistan.

In the past week, IOM reported 13,582 Afghan returnees from Iran and Pakistan, including 12,965 from Iran and 617 from Pakistan. Close to 56% of the returnees from Iran were deportees. During the same period, as reported by UNHCR, 192 Afghan refugees returned to Afghanistan, of whom 44 were from Iran and 148 were from Pakistan.

Security Incidents and Humanitarian Access

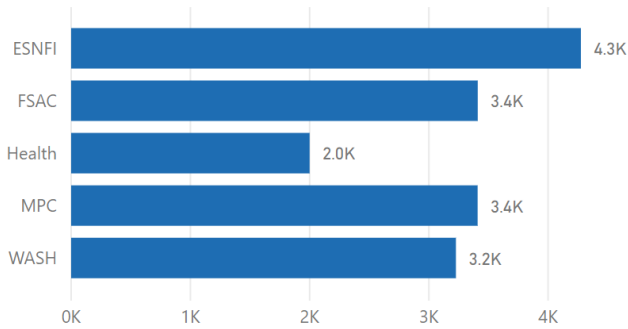
In Faryab, heavy fighting between ANDSF and NSAGs was reported during the week in Almar, Qaysar, Shirin Tagab, and outskirts of Maymana city. In two significant incidents, NSAGs attacked Almar and Qaysar district centres.

In Kandahar province, several IEDs were detonated in Maywand, Shahwalikot and Kandahar/Dand districts, as reported by ground sources.

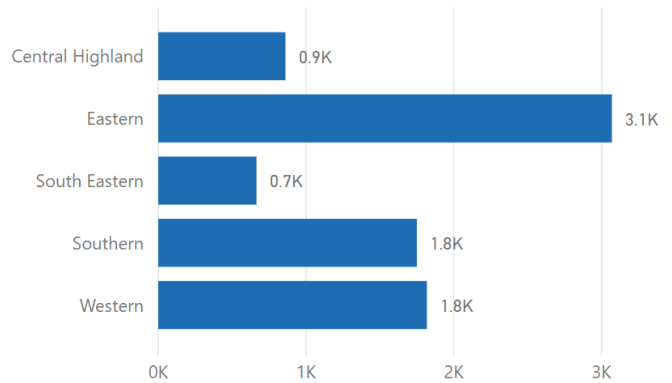
Ongoing Response Activities

During the past week, almost 578,000 people affected by conflict and drought, as well as returnees received humanitarian assistance. Assistance provided included cash, food, hygiene kits for families and women, emergency household items, emergency shelter and provision of safe drinking water. The response activities were carried out in Ghazni, Badghis, Ghor, Herat, Baghlan, Zabol, Nimroz and Nangarhar provinces by humanitarian partners, including ACF, ACTED, ANDMA, CARE, CWSA, DACAAR, DAIL, IMC, IRC, MISSION EAST, SCI, UNHCR, UNICEF, UNMAS and WFP.

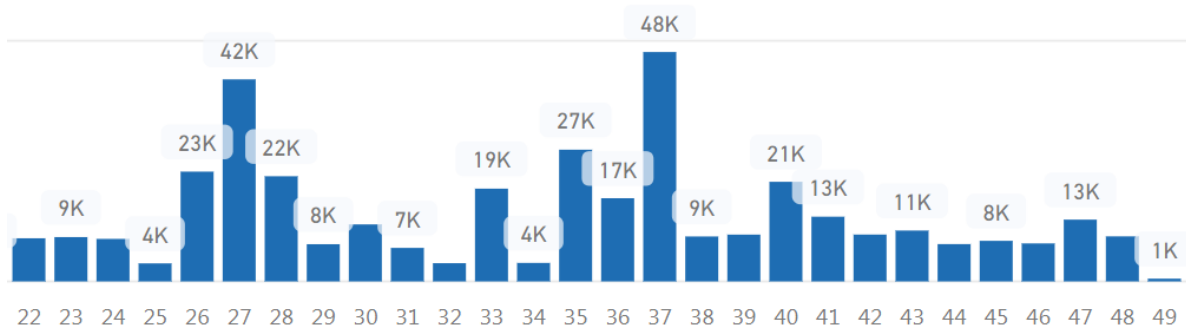
IDPs assisted by cluster in the past week



IDPs assisted by region in the past week



IDPs assisted by week in 2018



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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 | HI, Handicap International | 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 | MPC, multi-purpose cash assistance | OCT, Operational Coordination Team | OHD, Organization for Humanitarian and Development | OHW, Organization of Human Welfare | 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 |

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