

Return from Pakistan

A total of **2,177** undocumented Afghans spontaneously returned or were deported from Pakistan through the Turkham border (Nangarhar province) and Spin Boldak (Kandahar province) border crossings from July 9-15, according to the Border Monitoring Team of the Directorate of Refugees and Repatriation (DoRR).

Of the total returnees, 2,154 were spontaneous returnees and 23 were deported. This number is **slightly higher (5%)** than in the previous week. The total number of undocumented Afghans returnees from Pakistan since 01 January 2017 is now 73,790.

IOM provided post-arrival assistance to **97%** of undocumented Afghan returnees from Pakistan (2,122 individuals), including 904 individuals in poor families, 198 single parents and 5 special cases. The assistance provided includes meals, accommodation, basic medical screening, Non-Food Items (NFIs), onward transportation cash grants and referral services, as well as support from partners (see Annex 1).

Highlights

2,177 undocumented Afghans returned from Pakistan

7,238 undocumented Afghans returned from Iran

73,790 total returns from Pakistan since 01 January 2017

178,507 total returns from Iran since 01 January 2017

97% of returnees from Pakistan (2,122 individuals) assisted

4.5% of returnees from Iran (329)



A child feeling happy about IOM's post-arrival assistance at the Nangarhar Transit Center © IOM 2017

Situation Overview

IOM is responding to a substantial increase in the return of undocumented Afghans from Pakistan and Iran. Since 01 January 2017, over 252,000 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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IOM doctor providing medical assistance to a returnee family at Kandahar Transit Center © IOM

Returns from Iran

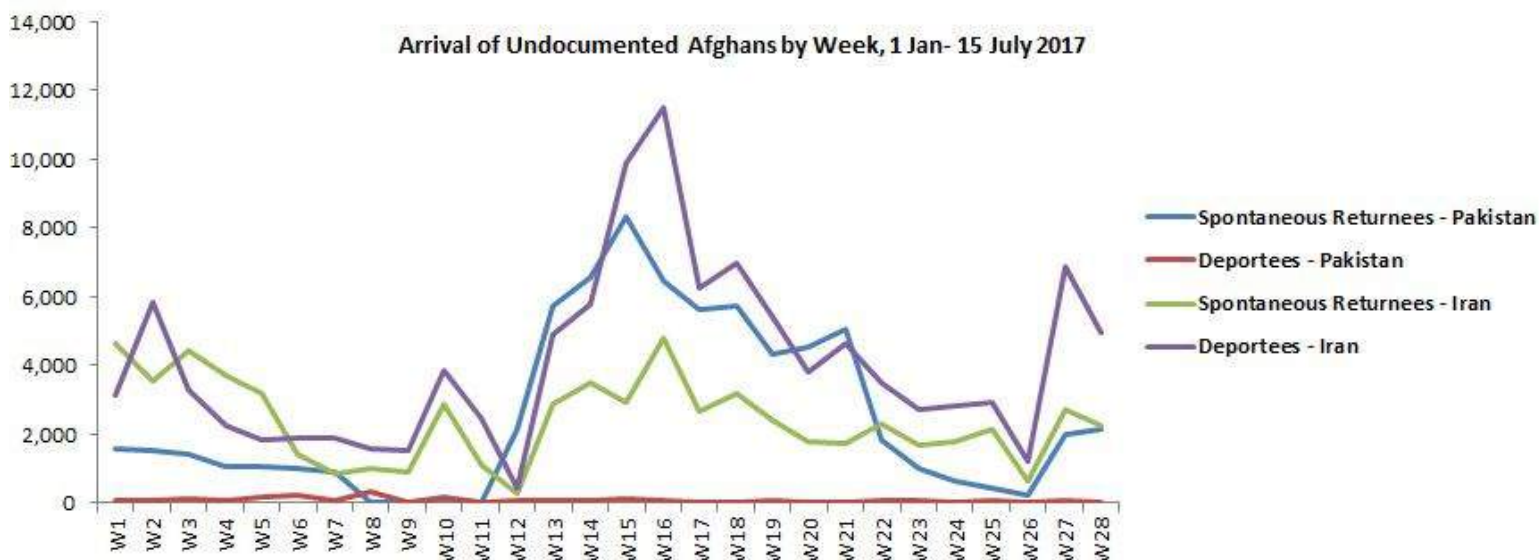
A total of **7,238** undocumented Afghans spontaneously returned or were deported from Iran through the Milak (Nimroz) border crossing between July 9-15 2017, **25% less** than in the previous week. The Islam Qala (Herat) border crossing remains closed to undocumented returnees, with only 1 individual spontaneously returning and 1 individual being forcibly returned. Of the total spontaneous returnees, 2,274 (100%) were individuals. Similarly, out of the total deportees, 278 (6%) were in family groups whereas 4,686 (94%) were individuals. This brings the total number of undocumented returnees from Iran since 01 January 2017 to 178,507. IOM provided post-arrival humanitarian assistance to **329 (4.5%)** undocumented Afghans deported from Iran at its Transit Center in Nimroz, including 20 special cases, 61 unaccompanied migrant children, and 15 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
01-24 June	1,139	1728	33	6,435	101	63	6	9,720	3,031	16,194	19,225
25 June - 1 July	101	209	3	617	35	0	1	1,206	345	1,827	2,172
02-08 July	1,104	881	0	2,722	90	0	0	6,892	2,075	9,614	11,689
09-15 July	1,172	982	1	2,273	23	0	1	4,963	2,177	7,238	9,415
Total	49,649	21,821	17,154	50,140	1,775	545	7,208	104,005	73,790	178,507	252,297

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
01-24 June	1,119	1,433	21	45	18	16	0	803	2,586	869	3,455
25 June - 1 July	35	92	3	2	0	0	0	118	127	123	250
02-08 July	965	834	0	10	13	0	0	442	1,812	452	2,264
09-15 July	1,162	940	1	33	20	0	1	294	2,122	329	2,451
Total	46,875	14,672	128	447	399	385	653	6,929	62,331	8,157	70,488



Annex 1: Detailed Breakdown of Assistance Provided by Partners at Turkham and Spin Boldak BCP, July 9-15 2017

Organization	Location	Type of Assistance	Families Assisted	Total Individual Assisted	Male	Female	Boys	Girls
WFP	Transit Center	Food Package	205	1177	222	243	387	325
WHO	Transit Center	Medical Services	64	134	24	48	31	31
	Transit Center	OPV Vaccination for children (>10 years)	0	119	0	0	47	72
	Transit Center	OPV Vaccination for children (<10 years)	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Transit Center	IPV Vaccination for children (4 m -5 years)	0	338	0	0	184	154
	Transit Center	Measle Vaccination for children (6 m -5 years)	0	279	0	0	157	122
UNICEF	Transit Center	Hygiene Kits	205	1177	222	243	387	325
	Transit Center	Family Kit	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Transit Center	Hygiene Awareness Training	303	1550	289	323	534	404
	Transit Center	Child Friendly Space	0	517	0	0	277	240
	Transit Center	Nutrition services for children 6-59 months, and pregnant women and lactating mothers	0	243	0	78	75	90
UNFPA	Transit Center	Dignity kits	0	0	0	0	0	0
AADA/ UNFPA	Zero Point	Medical Services	0	471	154	153	88	76
	Zero Point	OPV Vaccination for children (<10 years)	0	491	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	225	0	0	115	110
	Zero Point	Measle Vaccination for children (<10 years)	0	208	0	0	104	104
	Zero Point	HIV/AIDS Awareness	0	1154	323	177	440	214
AADA/ UNICEF	Zero Point	Nutrition services for children (6-59 months), pregnant women and lactating mothers	0	319	0	117	103	99
UNMAS- OMAR	Transit Center	Mine Risk Education	129	2054	194	204	374	342

Annex 2: Breakdown of Assistance Provided at all Border Crossings, July 9-15 2017

Categories	Turkham	Spin Boldak	Islam Qala	Milak	Total
Non-Food Item (NFI) Kits	205	165	0	47	417
Medical Care	134	136	0	0	270
Tuberculosis Screening	1182	940	0	285	2407
Overnight Accommodation	0	280	0	319	599
Total	1521	1521	0	651	3693

Annex 3: Transportation Cash Grant at Kandahar Transit Center, July 9-15 2017

No. of Families	No. of Individuals	Province of Final Destination	Transportation Grant (Per Person)	Total (USD)
1	4	Badakhshan	\$50	200
1	8	Badghis	\$50	400
4	13	Baghlan	\$40	520
5	35	Balkh	\$40	1,400
1	8	Farah	\$30	240
2	12	Faryab	\$50	600
4	24	Ghazni	\$35	840
9	87	Helmand	\$40	3,480
4	23	Herat	\$30	690
19	160	Jawzjan	\$50	8,000
15	109	Kabul	\$30	3,270
25	218	Kandahar	\$30	6,540
17	78	Kunduz	\$50	3,900
2	13	Laghman	\$40	520
3	20	Logar	\$35	700
3	21	Paktika	\$50	1,050
1	4	Paktya	\$50	200
3	27	SarePul	\$50	1,350
4	21	Takhar	\$50	1,050
4	35	Urozgan	\$50	1,750
2	20	Zabul	\$40	800
129	940	-	-	37,500

Annex 4: Transportation Cash Grant at Turkham Transit Center, July 9-15 2017

No. of Families	No. of Individuals	Province of Final Destination	Transportation Grant (Per Person)	Total (USD)
2	8	Baghlan	\$50	400
5	27	Balkh	\$50	1,350
1	11	Ghazni	\$50	550
59	346	Kabul	\$30	10,380
3	15	Khost	\$36	540
5	31	Kunduz	\$50	1,550
22	123	Kunar	\$30	3,690
6	33	Laghman	\$30	990
4	36	Logar	\$36	1,296
84	467	Nangarhar	\$25	11,675
13	73	Paktya	\$36	2,628
1	7	Takhar	\$50	350
205	1177	-	-	35,399

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