



In 2021, IOM's Migration Health Unit has served more than 200,000 patients with basic health care services and referrals for advanced needs, COVID-19 response and psychosocial counselling. Given conflict dynamics, MHU will expand mobile health and rapid response programming into three northern provinces to ensure conflict affected populations have access to services. @IOM/July 2021.

2021 Highlights

658,975 total returns from Iran and Pakistan since 01 January 2021

652,060 total returns from Iran in 2021. Over the past two weeks **30,927** undocumented Afghans returned from Iran with **5%** or **1,599** individuals assisted (**1,083** men and **516** women)

6,915 total returns from Pakistan in 2021. Over the past two weeks **69** undocumented Afghans returned from Pakistan with **100%** or **69** individuals assisted (**29** men and **40** women)

Funding Needs Against a [funding request](#) of USD 29.7 million in 2021, IOM has only received **5%** of its requirement.

Protection

IOM's Protection programme has supported supported 2,013 undocumented returnee households (2,682 women, 2,517 men, 4,149 girls and 4,748 boys) comprising at least one Person with Specific Needs (PSN) in 2021 through provision of timely information, facilitating safe and dignified access to services, and provision of one-off assistance including cash to mitigate identified protection risks and avoid resorting to negative coping mechanisms when referral pathways are exhausted.

With screening staff operating at the Herat and Nimroz borders and case workers in 11 provinces of return, the Protection team caseload this week included case management assessments for 119 new PSN households (176 women, 155 men, 246 girls, 287 boys) in Herat, Ghor, Nimroz, Kabul, Takhar, Sar-e-Pul, Faryab, Balkh, Nangarhar, and Badakhshan. These cases included 53 children at risk, 25 persons with serious medical conditions, 20 women at risk, 13 persons with disabilities, 10 older persons at risk, 9 single parents, and 3 separated or unaccompanied children. 29 undocumented returnee households (7 women, 9 men, 18 girls, 35 boys) received Post-arrival support services (e.g. provision of mobile phones, family tracing, and transportation) and case management assessments were conducted for all 119 cases.

Migration Health

In 2021, 201,361 patients have been served by IOM's Migration Health Unit in Nimroz, Herat, Kandahar and Nangarhar provinces with basic health care- outpatient consultations, maternal, child and neo-natal health care, reproductive health, family planning and COVID-19 response. Programming is supported by CERF, US BPRM and the Afghanistan Humanitarian Fund.

During the past two weeks a total of 3,907 patients were served by IOM's 7 mobile health teams, inclusive of 2,850 outpatient consultations, health education sessions for 3,907 persons and psychosocial counselling sessions for 173 patients.

Under the Global Fund multi-country TB grant in partnership with UNDP, a total of 8,513 undocumented Afghans were screened for tuberculosis at the Zero Point Reception Centers in Herat, Nimroz, Kandahar and Nangarhar. Of the total screened, 125 presumptive TB cases were identified and 1 were detected cases.

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Return from Iran and Pakistan

According to the Directorate of Refugees and Repatriation (DoRR), **30,927** Afghans returned from Iran through the Nimroz (Milak) and Herat (Islam Qala) borders between 09-22 July 2021. **13,372** persons returned voluntarily and **17,555** were deported. Since 01 January 2021, the total number of undocumented returnees from Iran is **652,060** individuals.

Return from Pakistan

6,915 undocumented Afghans have returned from Pakistan since 01 January 2021. Over the past two weeks **69** undocumented Afghans returned from Pakistan through the Torkham (**69** returnees). Recent fighting has seen a temporary suspension of assistance at Spin Boldak since 4th July 2021.

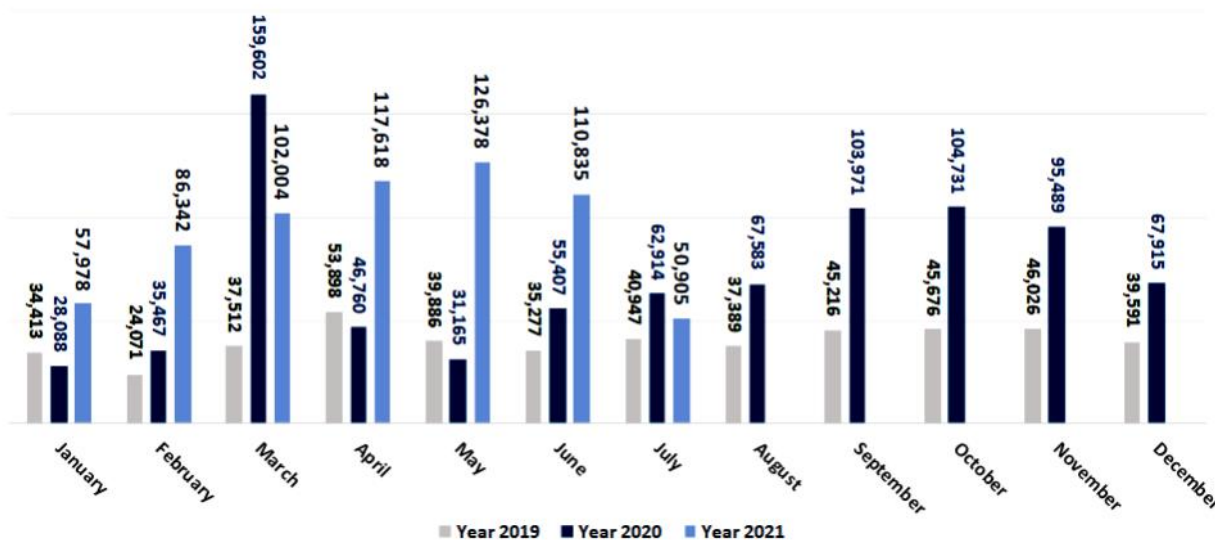
Total Number of Undocumented Returnees in 2021

Date	Iran				Total Iran	Pakistan				Total Pakistan	Overall Return
	Herat		Nimroz			Torkham		Kandahar			
	Spont	Deport	Spont	Deport		Spont	Deport	Spont	Deport		
1 Jan-31 May	164,485	121,893	54,654	149,288	490,320	678	253	4,269	236	5,436	495,756
01 June- 01 July	48,165	28,573	11,283	25,835	113,856	369	23	982	14	1,388	115,244
02-08 July	4,735	4,626	2,368	5,228	16,957	20	0	2	0	22	16,979
09-22 July	9,401	8,526	3,971	9,029	30,927	69	0	0	0	69	30,996
Total	226,786	163,618	72,276	189,380	652,060	1,136	276	5,253	250	6,915	658,975

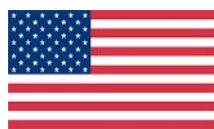
Total Number of Assisted Returnees in 2021

Date	Iran				Total Iran	Pakistan				Total Pakistan	Overall Assisted
	Herat		Nimroz			Torkham		Kandahar			
	Spont	Deport	Spont	Deport		Spont	Deport	Spont	Deport		
1 Jan-31 May	1,294	8,639	784	10,909	21,626	675	221	4,125	209	5,230	26,856
01 June- 01 July	291	1,846	94	1,530	3,761	369	23	982	1	1,375	5,136
02-08 July	26	524	22	344	916	20	0	2	0	22	938
09-22 July	69	652	60	818	1,599	69	0	0	0	69	1,668
Total	1,680	11,661	960	13,601	27,902	1,133	244	5,109	210	6,696	34,598

Return of Undocumented Afghans from Iran - 2019 - 2021



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