



With the flow of deported Afghan migrants from Iran increasing week on week and day time temperatures exceeding 50 degrees Celsius in places like Nimroz, IOM urgently requires new funding to ensure consistent provision of post-arrival humanitarian support. ©IOM/Aug 2021.

2021 Highlights

759,046 total returns from Iran and Pakistan since 01 January 2021

752,013 total returns from Iran in 2021. Over the past week **22,001** undocumented Afghans returned from Iran with **0.1%** or 32 individuals assisted (**18** men and **14** women)

7,033 total returns from Pakistan in 2021. Over the past week **6** undocumented Afghans returned from Pakistan with **0%** assisted.

Funding Needs Against a [funding request](#) of USD 29.7 million in 2021, IOM has only received **5%** of its requirement. Weekly assistance totals are collapsing as no new funds have been received since March 2021 which are now fully expended.

Protection

IOM's Protection Programme has supported 2,121 undocumented returnee households (2,836 women, 2,658 men, 4,396 girls and 4,978 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. This assistance includes cash to mitigate identified protection risks and avoid resort to negative coping mechanisms when referral pathways are exhausted.

Migration Health

In 2021, 209,263 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 WHO, Germany, CERF, US BPRM and the Afghanistan Humanitarian Fund.

IOM Migration Health Unit is conducting weekly health services including outpatient consultation, health education sessions, psychosocial counselling sessions and under the Global Fund multi-country TB grant in partnership with UNDP they conduct regular TB screening and sampling testing at Zero point and reception centers of Herat, Nimruz, Kandahar and Nangarhar border provinces.

Due to the current unstable situation across the country, health operations were temporary suspended last week and no patient was served during the reporting period. Fortunately as of late

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Return from Iran and Pakistan

22,001 Afghans returned from Iran through the Nimroz (Milak) and Herat (Islam Qala) borders between 13-19 Aug 2021. 5,053 persons returned voluntarily and 16,948 were deported. Since 01 January 2021, the total number of undocumented returnees from Iran is 752,013 individuals.

7,033 undocumented Afghans have returned from Pakistan since 01 January 2021. Over the past week 6 undocumented Afghans returned from Pakistan through the Torkham (6 returnees). Recent fighting and instability has seen a temporary suspension of assistance at Spin Boldak since 05 July 2021 and at Torkham border since 15 August 2021.

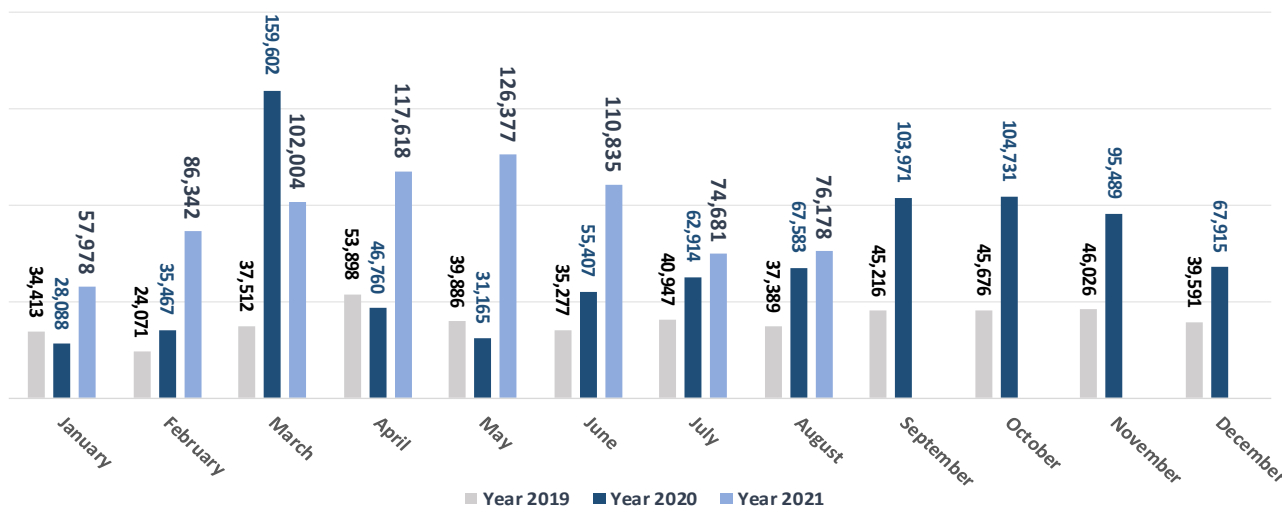
Total Number of Undocumented Returnees in 2021

Date	Iran				Total Iran	Pakistan				Total Pakistan	Overall Return
	Herat		Nimroz			Torkham		Kandahar			
	Spont	Deport	Spont	Deport		Spont	Deport	Spont	Deport		
1 Jan -30 June	211,821	148,993	65,713	174,627	601,154	1022	276	5237	250	6,785	607,939
01 July-05 Aug	27,099	28,607	11,533	33,579	100,818	173	4	16	0	193	101,011
06-12 Aug	5,793	8,218	1,518	12,511	28,040	49	0	0	0	49	28,089
13-19 Aug	4,325	7,865	728	9,083	22,001	6	0	0	0	6	22,007
Total	249,038	193,683	79,492	229,800	752,013	1,250	280	5,253	250	7,033	759,046

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 -30 June	1,581	10,351	878	12,419	25,229	1,019	244	5093	210	6,566	31,795
01 July-05 Aug	115	1,790	113	1,972	3,990	173	4	16	0	193	4,183
06-12 Aug	0	0	0	0	0	49	0	0	0	49	49
13-19 Aug	0	0	0	32	32	0	0	0	0	0	32
Total	1,696	12,141	991	14,423	29,251	1,241	248	5,109	210	6,808	36,059

Return of Undocumented Afghans from Iran - 2019 - 2021



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