

DROUGHT RESPONSE SITUATION REPORT

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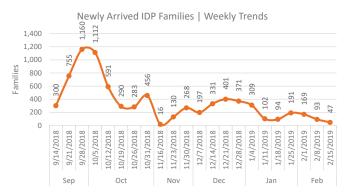


The provision of emergency shelter, non-food items, winterization kits, food and WASH facilities help improve the living conditions of IDP families - Shaidayee settlement, Herat © IOM 2019

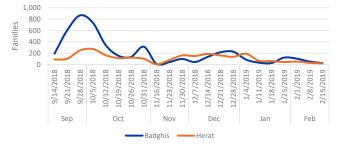
Through Flow Monitoring Points (FMPs) installed on major routes connecting to Herat City, IOM's Displacement Tracking Matrix (DTM) has been monitoring inflows of drought-affected IDPs, since 9 September 2018. DTM identifies and registers only newly arriving IDPs, provides IDP Cards to registered families, and shares the information with World Food Programme and humanitarian partners to facilitate onward registration of newlyarriving IDPs into humanitarian assistance programmes. DTM also tracks the outflow of IDPs from Herat City returning to their places of origin or into secondary displacement.

WEEKLY TRENDS

Inflows of newly-arrived IDPs peaked at over 1,100 families per week in the week of 28 September and 5 October. There was a sharp, 74% decrease from 5 to 19 October. There was a modest spike of 456 families recorded in the last 5 days of October. Due to funding limitations, DTM discontinued activities from 1 to 15 November, after which inflows remained relatively low at an average 300 families per week. However, after 4 January, inflows have steadily decreased to the present inflow of only 47 newly arrived IDP families in the last week.







The results presented in this report are cumulative from 9 September 2018, when DTM commenced flow monitoring in Herat.



3 Flow Monitoring Points (FMPs) at Armalek, Rabat Sangi, and Chaharsoy Guzara



264 (47 families) newly-arrived IDPs registered from 9–15 February



36,541 (7,673 families)



4.8

average family size

IDPs registered to date (inflow + outflow)



32,356 (6,971 families) arriving IDPs displaced by drought (88.5% of all IDPs)

4,010 (673 families) arriving IDPs displaced by conflict (11.0% of all IDPs)



28,613 (6,299 families) arriving IDPs' intended destination is Injil district (78%)



19,668 (4,583 families) arriving IDPs are from Badghis province (54%)



23,666 (5,393 families) arriving IDPs intend to live in tents or in the open air (65%)

47 (7 families) secondarily displaced or returned home (0.13%)

IDPs (In-Flow + Out-Flow) | Reason for Displacement

Drought: 32.356 (88.5%) Flood: 14 (0.0%) Other Natural Disaster: 114 (0.3%) Conflict: 4,010 (11.0%) Return: 37 (0.1%) Secondary Displacement: 10 (0.0%)



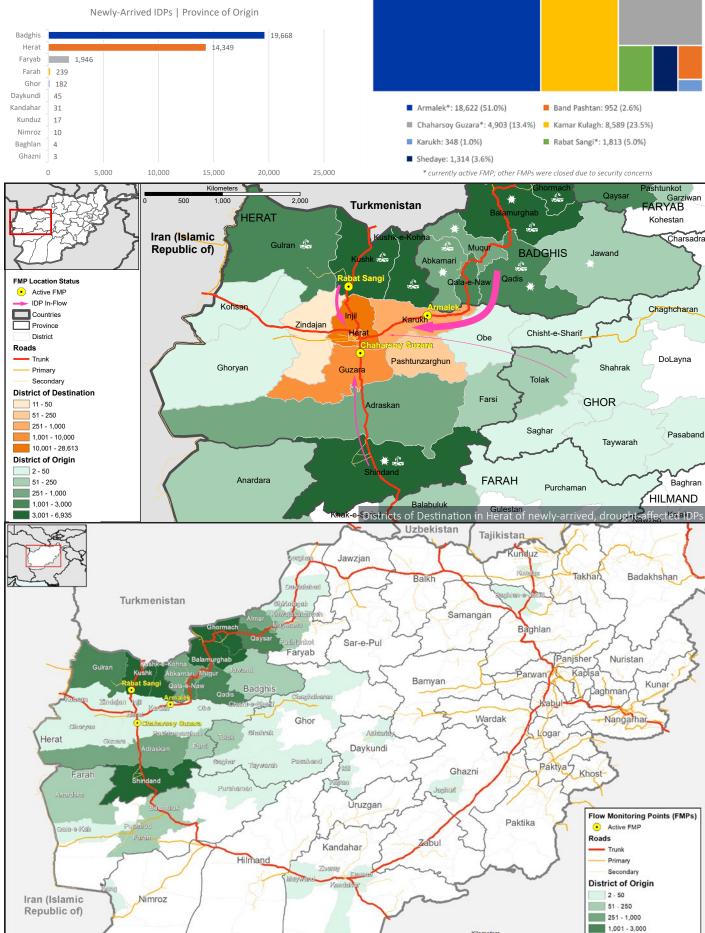
Districts of Origin of newly-arrived, drought-affected IDPs in Herat City

3,001 - 6,935

5,400

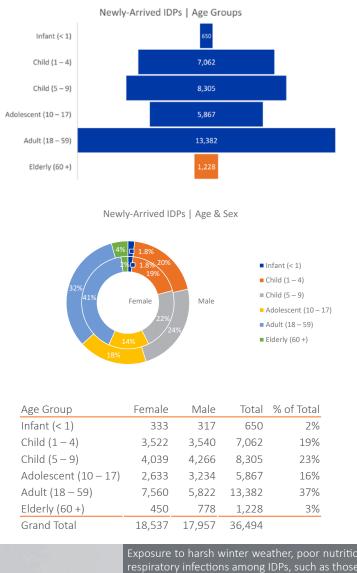
IDPs (In-Flow + Out-Flow) | Registrations per FMP

ORIGIN & DESTINATION



SEX & AGE COMPOSITION

Children and adolescents under the age of 18 represent 60% (21,884) of the newly arrived IDPs, among which 7,712 (21%) are under 5 years old. The male to female ratio is close to even, with only 580 (1.6%) more females than males.

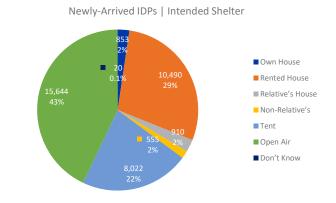


SPECIFIC NEEDS

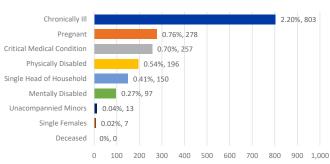
Shelter continues to be a prevailing need of IDPs upon arrival to IDP settings. An alarming 23,666 IDPs (65%) intend to live in tents or in the open air.

Among the newly-arrived IDPs, there were 1,801 (5%) cases with specific needs registered to date. The most numerous cases include 803 chronically ill, 278 pregnant or lactating women, 257 with critical medical conditions, and 196 physically disabled.

The vast majority (31,598 or 86%) of registered IDPs claimed to have no official identification documents, such as a tazkira. Only 4,898 (13%) IDPs had a tazkira available at the time of registration with DTM, although many families present tazkiras when they register with WFP's food assistance and SCOPE card.



All IDPs (In-Flow + Out-Flow) | Specific Needs





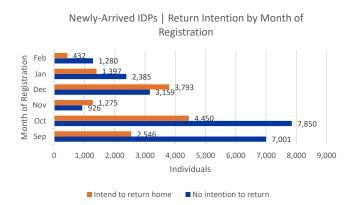


RETURN INTENTIONS

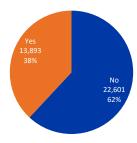
RETURN INTENTIONS AT TIME OF ARRIVAL IN HERAT

Upon arrival in Herat City, overall, 62% (22,421) of newly-arriving IDPs express no intention to return to their places of origin. With the exception of IDPs who arrived in November and December, where 56% indicated they would return to their places of origin, 69% of IDPs who arrived in other months are not likely to return.

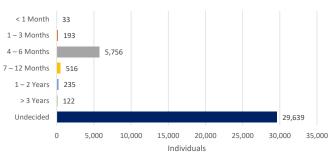
At the time of arrival, an overwhelming 81% (29,639) of IDPs indicated that they were undecided about when they will return to their places of origin, with 16% (5,756) intending to return within 4 to 6 months.



Newly-Arrived IDPs | Return Intention

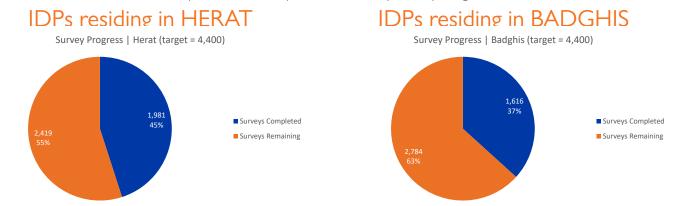


Newly-Arrived IDPs | Intended Length of Stay

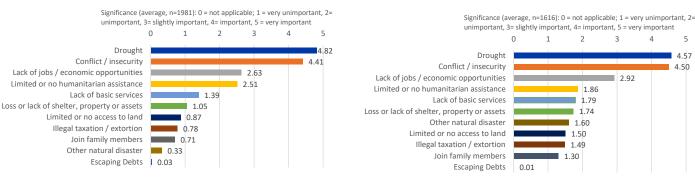


RETURN INTENTION SURVEY PRELIMINARY RESULTS

On 10 January 2019, DTM began conducting Return Intention surveys among IDPs living in informal settlements in Herat City and in Qala-e-Naw, Badghis. Developed with inter-cluster and partner inputs, DTM's return intention survey aims to identify the intentions, motivations and needs of IDPs to enable partners to develop assisted voluntary return packages and deliver sustainable solutions.



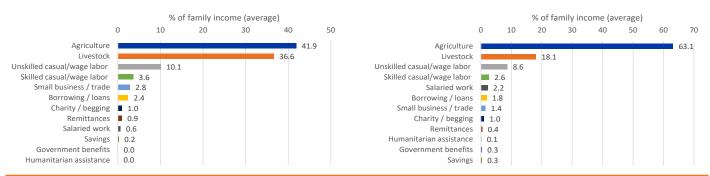
What are the MAIN reasons the first members of your household left your previous location / place of origin? rank all options: (0) (1) (2) (3) (4) (5) 0 = not applicable; 1 = very unimportant, 2 = unimportant, 3 = slightly important, 4 = important, 5 = very important Reasons for Displacement from Place of Origin | Herat



Reasons for Displacement from Place of Origin | Badghis

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What were your family's main sources of income at your place of origin? Main Sources of Income at Place of Origin | Herat



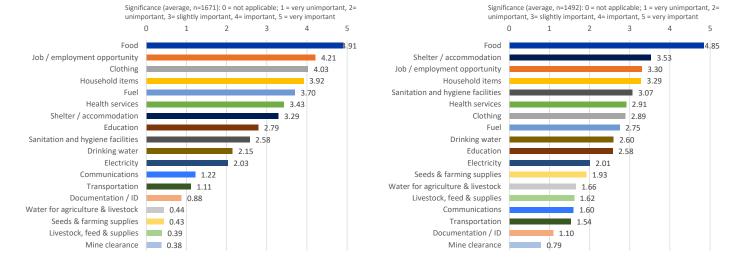
What are your current needs?

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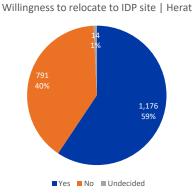
Current Needs | Herat

Current Needs | Badghis

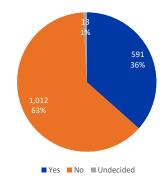
Main Sources of Income at Place of Origin | Badghis



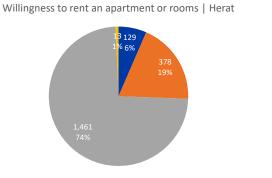
Would you be willing to temporarily relocate to a designated IDP site, when available?



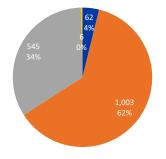
Willingness to relocate to IDP site | Badghis



Would you consider renting an apartment or rooms (in your current location of displacement)?

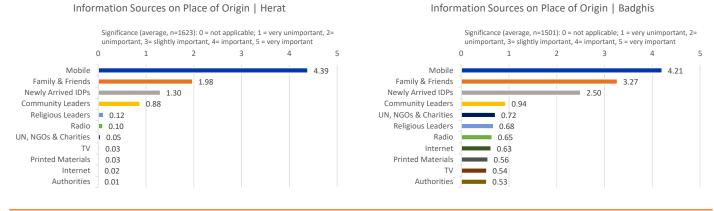


Willingness to rent an apartment or rooms | Badghis

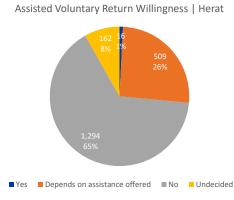


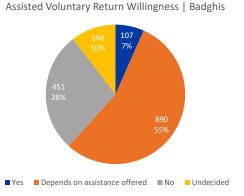
■ Yes ■ Yes, if assisted ■ No ■ Undecided

How does your household obtain information about your place of origin or place of resettlement? rank all options: (0) (1) (2) (3) (4) (5) 0 = not applicable; 1 = very unimportant, 2 = unimportant, 3 = slightly important, 4 = important, 5 = very important

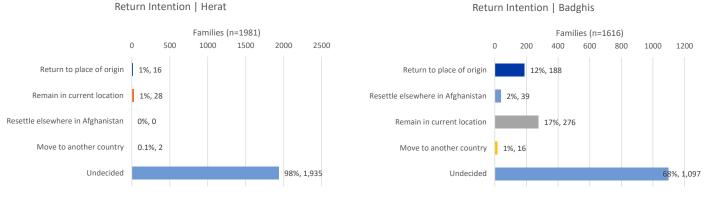


Would you consider an assisted voluntary return to your place of origin?

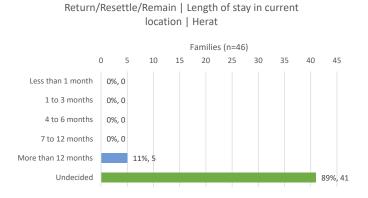




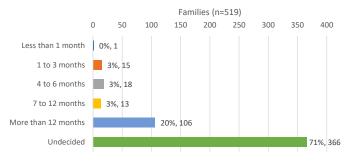
What is your household thinking about return, resettlement, or remaining at your current location?



When do you think you will return to your place of origin, resettle to another location, or move to another country?







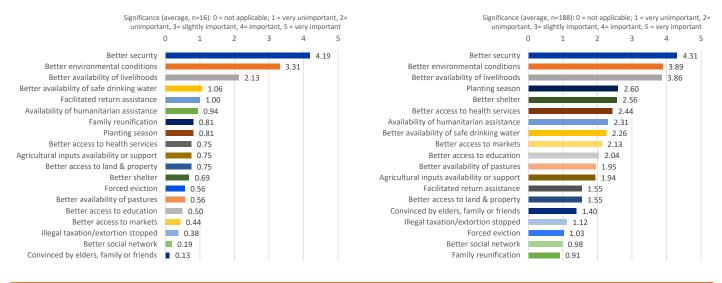
Return Intention | Badghis

What are your household's MAIN reasons for deciding to return?

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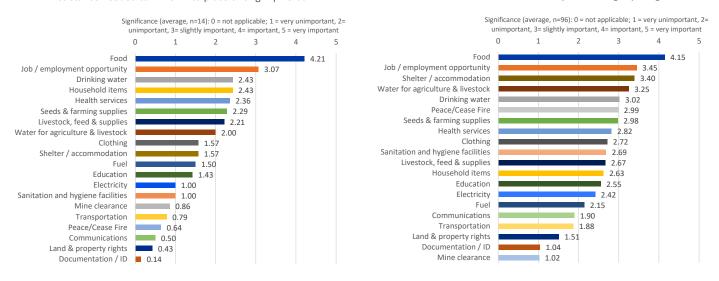
Main reasons to RETURN to place of origin | Herat

Main reasons to RETURN to place of origin | Badghis



What will your household need in the location where you intend to return?

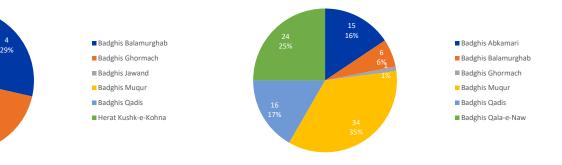
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Districts of origin of families who intend to return with the above needs (see chart above).







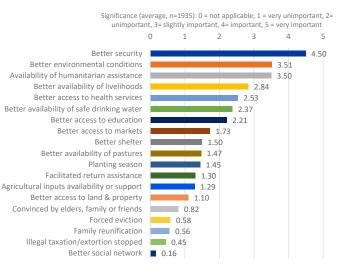
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If Undecided, what would help you make a decision to return, resettle or remain?

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Main decision-making factors for UNDECIDED | Herat

Main decision-making factors for UNDECIDED | Badghis



RESPONSE IMPLICATIONS

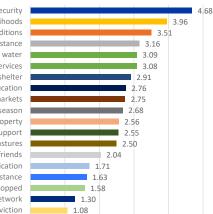
- Multi-dimensional drivers of displacement, such as conflict, drought, livelihoods, other natural disasters, and access to humanitarian assistance and basic services. show that a tailored response is required involving both humanitarian and development activities in order for people to return.
- Conflict / insecurity remains a predominant driver of displacement and underlying issue preventing IDPs from returning home.
- Peace/Cease Fire is a more significant need required for IDPs in Badghis who intend to return, than for IDPs in Herat.
- Humanitarian Assistance is a more significant pull factor for both displacement and return for the Herat IDP caseload, than for IDPs in Badghis.
- Most IDPs are likely to stay where they are for the foreseeable future, especially more so in Herat.
- There appears to be greater appetite for return in the Badghis IDP case-load, than in Herat. However, many IDP families are still undecided and will need to be convinced that returning home is a viable and sustainable option.
- To promote return, a communication strategy and outreach to IDPs through family, friends, newly arriving IDPs and mobile devices is essential.
- Preliminary results support the need for the Inter-Cluster Coordination Team (ICCT) to proceed with the integrated response pilot in Badghis, which is focused on places of origin, and includes return packages with significant food, WASH, shelter/NFI, and livelihoods/agriculture components.
- Muqur, Qala-e-Naw and Qadis districts are currently the most viable, priority target areas for the integrated response pilot.

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Availability of humanitarian assistance Better availability of safe drinking water Better access to health services Better shelter Better access to education Better access to markets Planting season Better access to land & property Agricultural inputs availability or support Better availability of pastures Convinced by elders, family or friends Family reunification Facilitated return assistance Illegal taxation/extortion stopped Better social network Forced eviction



IDPs interested in Voluntary Return | Districts of Origin | Badghis | (n=987)

