Afghanistan - Border Monitoring, Unofficial Crossing Points - 2023

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Identification

SURVEY ID NUMBER
UNHCR_AFG_2023_UBC_anon_data_v2.1

TITLE
Border Monitoring, Unofficial Crossing Points - 2023

COUNTRY

Name	Country code
Afghanistan	AFG

STUDY TYPE
Other Household Survey [hh/oth]

ABSTRACT
The situation inside Afghanistan deteriorated in 2021 and had significant consequences for the most vulnerable among the population. Iran and Pakistan, which are neighbours of Afghanistan, also host some 8.2 million registered Afghan refugees and other Afghans with different statuses. The majority of registered refugees fled Afghanistan over the years, including from as early as 1979.

UNHCR has expanded its border monitoring in Afghanistan to include unofficial crossing points to understand flows and frequency on Afghans departing via these points, assess to territory and "the right to seek asylum" as well as the barriers which hinder the movement of people who may need international protection. Interviews at unofficial crossing points were held with key informants such as local residents in border areas, drivers, hotel and restaurant owners or border officials in over 50 locations, through Kunduz, Jalalabad, Herat, Gardez, Mazar and Kandahar field locations. Key informants gave estimates of weekly flows and their composition. This monitoring activity found that the majority of movements to Iran (81%) happen via unofficial border crossings, while less than 18% of movements to Pakistan happen via unofficial border crossings.

This dataset is the anonymized version of the original data.

KIND OF DATA
Sample survey data [ssd]

UNIT OF ANALYSIS
Households

Version

VERSION DESCRIPTION
v2.1: Edited, cleaned and anonymised data

VERSION DATE
2024-03-29

Scope

NOTES
The survey was conducted with one focal point from each household covering the following:
1. Location and key informant biodata
2. Size, frequncy and consistency of flows
3. Reasons for movement
4. Conditions under which movement occurs

TOPICS

Topic
Livelihood and Social cohesion
Education
Basic Needs
Domestic Needs/Household Support
Shelter/Other Infrastructure
Legal Assistance/Protection

Coverage

GEOGRAPHIC COVERAGE
Border crossing points from Afghanistan into Iran, Pakistan and Central Asia

UNIVERSE
Asylum-seekers and other border crossers in 2023

Producers and sponsors

PRIMARY INVESTIGATORS

Name
UNHCR

Sampling

SAMPLING PROCEDURE
Not Applicable

Data collection

DATES OF DATA COLLECTION

Start	End
2023-01-01	2023-12-31

DATA COLLECTION MODE
Face-to-face [f2f]

DATA COLLECTORS

Access policy

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Data Dictionary

Data file	Cases	Variables
Crossings data Anonymized Crossings data	676	59