



Afghanistan Displacement and Returnee Response

Informal Settlement Profiles: Nangarhar Province

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Background

Located on the border with Pakistan, Nangarhar hosts more than 400,000 residents across 26 informal settlements, the first of which was established in 1990. Nearly half of these sites are owned by the Government of Afghanistan. The remaining residents live in privately owned properties located closer to health and education facilities.

Around two thirds of the population are recent returnees from Pakistan, and a small number from Iran. The remaining third consists of IDPs

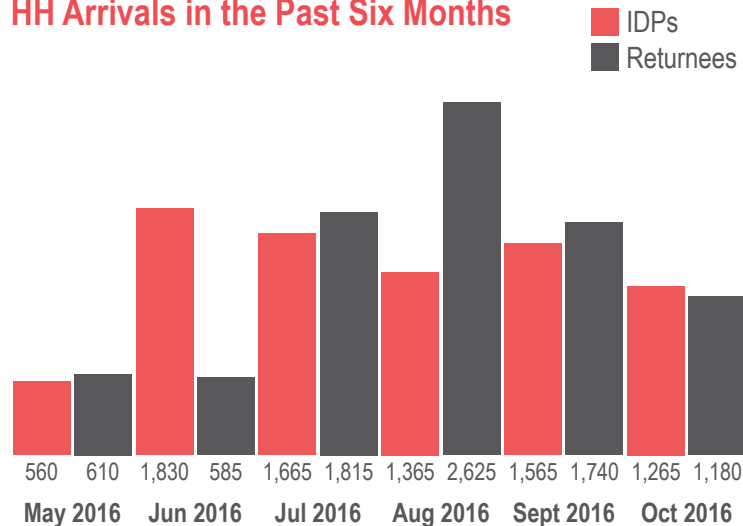
mostly moving from other districts in Nangarhar, though some travelled from the neighbouring provinces of Kunar, Laghman and Paktya.

Ongoing conflict and the need for employment have significantly increased the number of households moving to informal settlements in Nangarhar. Since May 2016, the number of IDP households moving into settlements increased the total IDP population by 75%, while the returnee population rose by 27% during this period.

Key Figures

	Households (HH)	Individuals	Avg HH Size
Current residents	59,600	408,210	6.8
IDPs	19,170	132,820	6.9
Returnees	40,430	275,390	6.8
HH arrivals in the last six months		16,805 of which:	
IDP HHs	8,250		
Returnee HHs	8,550		
Number of informal settlements		26	
Average size of settlement		2,842,678 sq m	

HH Arrivals in the Past Six Months



Nangarhar Province Informal Settlement Locations

