

# Conflict-related displacement

## COMMON ANALYSIS

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[Main COI references: [Country Focus 2023](#), 2.3.1., pp. 40-41; [Security 2022](#), 3.3.2., pp. 74-78]

Information concerning this indicator is mostly based on IOM and UNOCHA reporting. There are certain distinctions between the two sources in terms of period and scope of reporting.

In particular, IOM report covers different periods in 2022, depending on the population category, namely: arrival IDPs, returned IDPs, persons who moved abroad, and returnees from abroad as specified in the text.

UNOCHA provides province-segregated information on conflict induced displacement in the period 1 July 2022 - 22 August 2023.

The conflict between the Taliban and the former government caused large displacement. After the Taliban takeover, conflict-induced displacement decreased with nearly 100 % according to IDMC.

New displacement remained at lower levels in 2022, although sporadic armed clashes between the Taliban and other entities have induced some displacement. Most displacements recorded in 2022 occurred in the provinces of Panjshir and Baghlan, where anti-Taliban opposition groups have been active, and also in Sar-e Pul in June 2022. In May-October 2022, IOM reported that only 8 % of displacements were conflict-induced.

In the period 1 July 2022 - 22 August 2023, UNOCHA data indicate that a total of 2 205 individuals (315 families) had been displaced. All recorded cases occurred in Panjshir Province.

After the takeover of power by the Taliban, many of the newly internally displaced persons returned to their place of origin. IOM reported that in 2022 a total of 1 525 577 IDPs returned to their home communities.

The following assessment has been made based on this general information on the security situation in Afghanistan and its impact on the population.

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