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Drug price by year (August 2013 - August 2014)

• Average¹ price of dry Opium in Afghanistan, (US\$/kg)

Dry Opium	Aug-13	Aug-14	Increase/ Decrease (%)
Farm-gate price (US\$/Kg)	141	137	-3%
Trader price (US\$/Kg)	150	145	-3%

• Average¹ price of fresh Opium in Afghanistan, (US\$/kg)

Fresh Opium	Aug-13	Aug-14	Increase/ Decrease (%)
Farm-gate price (US\$/Kg)	115	114	-1%
Trader price (US\$/Kg)	121	119	-2%

• Average¹ price of Heroin in Afghanistan, (US\$/kg)

Heroin	Aug-13	Aug-14	Increase/ Decrease (%)
High Quality	3,203	2,700	-16%
Medium Quality	2,208	1,969	-11%

• Average¹ price of Cannabis Resin in Afghanistan, (US\$/kg)

Types of cannabis resin	Aug-13	Aug-14	Increase/ Decrease (%)
Cannabis resin (Garda # 1) price (US\$/kg)	93	112	+20%
Cannabis resin (Garda # 2) price (US\$/kg)	69	77	+12%
Cannabis resin (Garda # 3) price (US\$/kg)	26	28	+8%

Heroin and Hashish (best quality) prices in Peshawar, Pakistan (US\$/kg)

Best quality of Heroin/Hashish	Aug-13	Aug-14	Increase/Decrease (%)
Heroin - White (Injection) price (US\$/kg)	4,150	3,380	-19%
Hashish - (Garda # 1) price (US\$/kg)	586	636	+9%

¹ Simple average of all observations

Heroin and Hashish (best quality) prices in Quetta, Pakistan (US\$/kg)

Best quality of Heroin/Hashish	Aug-13	Aug-14	Increase/Decrease (%)
Heroin - High quality (Crystal) price (US\$/kg)	5,591	3,484	-38%
Hashish - High quality price (US\$/kg)	447	597	+34%

• Average² price of Heroin, Opium and Hashish at consumer level in Afghanistan, (US\$/kg)

Types of drugs	Aug-13	Aug-14	Increase/Decrease (%)
Heroin	5,337	4,940	-7%
Opium	306	292	-5%
Hashish	174	215	+24%

 Average² price of Wheat, Cotton, Saffron, Imported and Local Rice in Afghanistan, (US\$/kg)

Types of crops	Aug-13	Aug-14	Increase/Decrease (%)
Wheat	0.35	0.39	+11%
Cotton	1.4	1.5	+14%
Saffron	1,500	1,581	+5%
Rice (imported)*	1.4	1.5	+4%
Rice (local)*	0.9	0.9	-4%

• Average² price of poppy and cannabis seeds in Afghanistan, (US\$/kg)

Types of seeds	Aug-13	Aug-14	Increase/Decrease (%)
Cannabis seed	0.40	0.46	+14%
Poppy seed	0.57	0.58	+2%

Average² price of acetic anhydride in Afghanistan, (US\$/Lit)

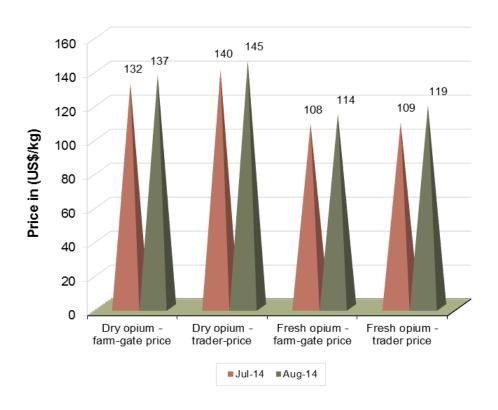
Variety of Acetic Anhydride	Aug-13	Aug-14	Increase/Decrease (%)
Acetic Anhydride - A*	243	280	+15%
Acetic Anhydride - B*	185	89	-52%
Acetic Anhydride - C*	156	79	-49%
Acetic Anhydride - D*	159	165	+4%
Acetic Anhydride - E*	157	137	-13%
Acetic Anhydride - F*	193	246	+27%

^{*} A, B, C, D, E, F represent different variety of acetic anhydride in Afghanistan.

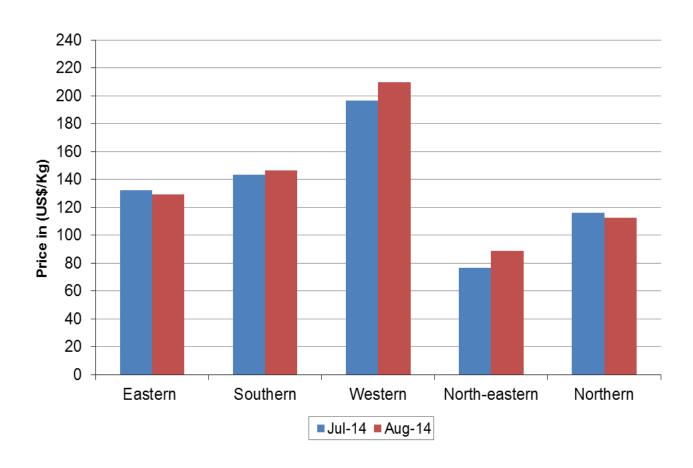
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Drug price by Month (July 2014 – August 2014)

Price change of Dry Opium and Fresh Opium (July 2014 and August 2014)



Regional average price of dry opium from traders (July 2014 – August 2014)

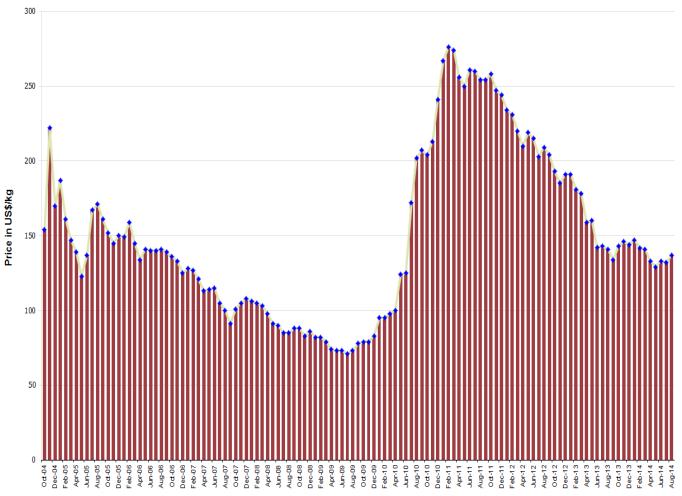


DRY OPIUM

FARM-GATE PRICE:

The national average price for one kilogram of dry opium in Afghanistan at the farm-gate level was **US\$ 137/kg** at the end of August 2014 which is 4% higher compared to price reported in July 2014 **(US\$ 132/kg)**. The average dry opium price at the farm-gate level in August 2014 is **3%** lower than the price reported in August 2013 which was **US\$ 141/kg**. The dry opium price has a decreasing trend since February 2011

Graph 1: National ²Average price of dry opium at farm-gate level from Sep 2004 to Aug 2014



Dry Opium (Chaynaki Quality): FARM-GATE PRICE:

Price of opium (dry) was not found to be varying with quality in different regions. In Balkh and Hilmand provinces another quality of dry opium by the name of *Chaynaki* is available at Farm-gate and trader level. The *Chaynaki* quality of dry opium more air dried than other varieties. The average price of 1 kilogram of *Chaynaki* dry opium at Farm-gate level in Balkh province is **US\$ 160/kg** in August 2014 showing a decrease of 3% compared to the price reported in July 2014 (**US\$ 165**). The average price of 1 kilogram of *Chaynaki* dry opium at farm-gate level in Hilmand province is **US\$ 367/kg** in August 2014 with an increased by 1% compared to the price reported in July 2014 (**US\$ 364**).

Table 1: Average² price of dry opium (Chaynaki quality) at farm-gate level (US\$/Kg)

	Balkh		Change	Hilma	Change	
Dry Opium (Chaynaki quality)	Jul-14	Aug-14	(Aug-Jul) %	Jul-14	Aug-14	(Aug-Jul) %
Farm-gate price (US\$/Kg)	165	160	-3%	364	367	+1%

² Simple average of all observations

DRY OPIUM:

TRADER PRICE

The national average dry opium price collected from traders was **US\$ 145/kg** at the end of August 2014 showing **3%** increase compared to the price reported last month (July 2014) **(US\$ 140/kg)**. The average dry opium price at trader level in August 2014 is **3%** lower than the price reported last year (August 2013) which was **US\$ 150/kg**.

Dry opium price collected from traders has increased by 16%, 7% and 2% in North-eastern, Western and Southern regions respectively. Price decreased by 5%, and 2 % in Northern and Eastern regions respectively.

Table 2: Regional average³ price of dry opium collected from traders (US\$/Kg)

	Price of Dry Opium (US\$/Kg)		
Region	Jul-14	Aug-14	Price change (%)
Eastern region (Kunar, Laghman, Nangarhar)	132	129	-2%
Southern region (Hilmand, Kandahar, Uruzgan, Zabul)	143	146	+2%
Western region (Badghis, Farah, Ghor, Hirat, Nimroz)	197	210	+7%
North-eastern region (Badakhshan, Kunduz, Takhar)	77	89	+16%
Northern region (Baghlan, Balkh, Faryab)	118	112	-5%
Average	140	142	+1%

Dry Opium (Chaynaki Quality):

TRADER PRICE:

In Balkh province, the average price of 1 kilogram of *Chaynaki* dry opium at trader level is **US\$ 168/kg** in August 2014 showing a decrease of **3%** compared to the price reported in July 2014 **(US\$ 172/kg).** In Hilmand province, the average price of 1 kilogram of *Chaynaki* dry opium at trader level is **US\$ 388/kg** in August 2014 increased by **1%** compared to the price reported in July 2014 **(US\$ 385)**

Table 3: Average³ price of dry opium (Chaynaki quality) at trader level (US\$/Kg)

	Ва	lkh	Change	Hilm	and	Change
Dry Opium (Chaynaki quality)	Jul-14	Aug-14	(Aug-Jul)	Jul-14	Aug-14	(Aug-Jul) %
Trader price (US\$/Kg)	172	168	-3%	385	388	+1%

³ Simple average of all observations

Graph 2: Regional average⁴ price of dry opium from traders (January 2005 to August 2014)

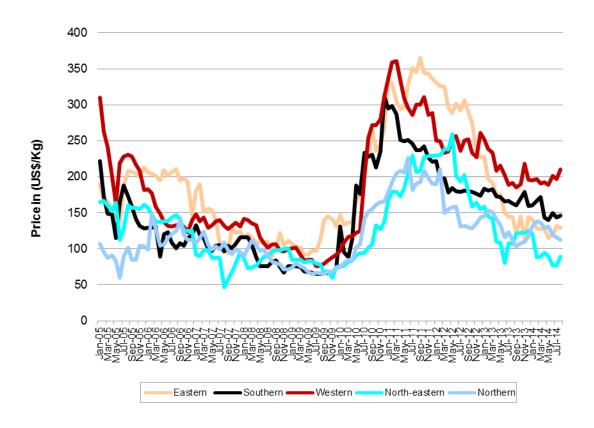


Table 4: Regional average⁴ price of dry opium at farm-gate and trader level in local currency

		Price of 1	kg of Dry O		_		
		Jul	.14	Aug	ı -14		
Region	Local currency	Farm-gate	Trader	Farm-gate	Trader	Change at farm-gate lavel (Aug-Jul) (%)	Change at trader lavel (Aug-Jul) (%)
Eastern region (Kunar, Laghman, Nangarhar)	Pakistani Rupee	12,828	13,027	12,757	13,010	-1%	+0%
Southern region (Hilmand, Kandahar, Uruzgan, Zabul)	Pakistani Rupee	1 3,169	14,116	13,902	14,700	+6%	+4%
Western region (Badghis, Ghor) *	Afghani	10,555	10,953	11,555	11,953	+9%	+9%
Western region (Farah, Hirat, Nimroz) *	Irnanian Tuman	569,090	613,667	615,423	660,000	+8%	+8%
North-eastern region (Badakhshan, Kunduz, Takhar)	Afghani	3,375	4,345	3,918	5,061	+16%	+16%
Northern region (Baghlan, Balkh, Faryab)	Afghani	6,427	6,665	6,192	6,412	-4%	-4%

^{*} Western region is divided in two groups because of prices available in two currencies.

⁴ Simple average of all observations

FRESH OPIUM

At the end of August 2014, the national average price of fresh opium increased by **5%** from **US\$ 108/kg** in July 2014 to **US\$ 114/kg in August 2014** at the farm-gate level. Similarly, the national average price of fresh opium at trader level increased by **9%** from **US\$ 109/kg** in July 2014 to **US\$ 119/kg** this month (August 2014).

Graph 3: National average⁵ price of fresh opium at farm-gate and trader level, US\$/kg (August 2009 to August 2014)

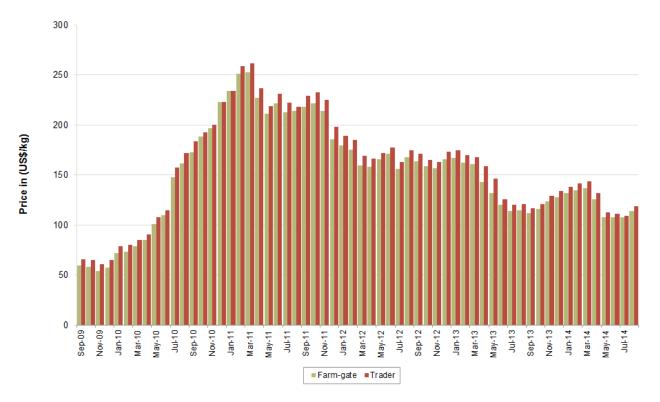


Table 5: Regional average⁵ price of fresh opium at farm-gate and trader level in local currency

		Price of 1					
		Jul	-14	Aug	-14		
Region	Local currency	Farm-gate	Trader	Farm-gate	Trader	Change at farm-gate lavel (Aug-Jul) (%)	Change at trader lavel (Aug-Jul) (%)
Eastern region (Kunar, Laghman, Nangarhar)	Pakistani Rupee	10,583	10,803	11,228	11,496	+6%	+6%
Southern region (Hilmand, Kandahar, Uruzgan, Zabul)	Pakistani Rupee	11,694	12,317	12,348	12,983	+6%	+5%
Western region (Badghis, Ghor) *	Afghani	7,749	7,999	8,249	8,499	+6%	+6%
Western region (Farah, Hirat, Nimroz) *	Irnanian Tuman	444,833	465,393	479,829	500,389	+8%	+8%
North-eastern region (Badakhshan, Kunduz, Takhar)	Afghani	2,399	2,975	3,249	3,769	+35%	+27%
Northern region (Baghlan, Balkh, Faryab)	Afghani	5,631	5,877	5,542	5,754	-2%	-2%

^{*} Western region is divided in two groups because of prices available in two currencies

⁵ Simple average of all observations

HEROIN

There are several types of heroin available in Afghanistan with different quality. The prices of White powder (injection) in Nangarhar province, White powder (Crystal) in Kandahar and Balkh provinces, Off-white (Crystal)-100% in Badakhshan province and White powder-high quality (70-80% pure) in Hirat province are the most expensive heroin reported in Afghanistan. The cheapest heroin (**US\$ 50/kg**) is called as Khata # 2 reported in Nangarhar province.

Table 7: Prices of different types of Heroin in Afghanistan, (US\$/kg), Aug 2013 - Aug 2014

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															Change (Aug-Jul)
Province	Types of Heroin	Aug-13	Sep-13	Oct-13	Nov-13	Dec-13	Jan-14	Feb-14	Mar-14	Apr-14	May-14	Jun-14	Jul-14	Aug-14	%
Badakhshan	Chara (20%)	1,326	1,556	2,185	1,709	1,753	1,224	1,094	1,095	1,104	1,009	1 ,023	1,030	1,198	+16%
Dauaniisiiaii	Off- white powder (Crystal) - 100%	3,182	3,423	3,462	4,113	4,219	3,585	3,281	3,286	2,408	2,220	2,250	2,266	2,367	+4%
Balkh	Best powder	3,359	3,381	3,503	3,517	3,389	3,512	3,590	3,621	3,509	3,514	3,618	3,680	3,629	-1%
Daini	White powder (Crystal)	4,243	3,423	4,186	4,106	4,060	4,180	4,192	4,212	4,140	4,123	4,221	4,227	4,157	-2%
	Morphine	1,212	1,267	1,500	2,193	1,759	1,856	2,007	1,891	2,015	2,009	2,103	2,044	2,069	+1%
Hirat	Off- white coarse powder (Crystal)	2,061	1,943	2,100	2,618	2,043	2,041	1,997	1,563	1,346	1,339	1 ,385	1,425	1,400	-2%
TilldL	White powder - high quality (70-80% pure)	2,781	2,864	2,893	3,768	2,922	2,942	2,877	2,713	2,890	2,953	3,110	3,000	2,922	-3%
	White powder - low quality (less than 50% pure)	1,461	1,493	1,473	1,939	1,461	1,478	1,465	1,331	1,413	1,431	1 ,483	1,480	1,391	-6%
	Morphine	2,120	1,981	2,073	2,046	2,000	2,007	2,077	2,165	2,062	2,099	2,139	2,084	2,050	-2%
Kandahar	Off- white powder (Batan) - high quality	1,896	1,793	1,838	1,814	1,810	1,816	1,884	1,959	1,856	1,884	1,930	1,879	1,846	-2%
Nanuana	Off- white powder (Batan) - low quality	1,264	1,179	1,225	1,209	1,143	1,147	1,237	1,237	1,237	1,249	1,283	1,239	1,214	-2%
	White powder (Crystal)	3,209	3,066	3,110	3,069	3,048	3,058	3,285	3,299	3,093	3,072	3,129	3,067	2,996	-2%
	Best powder	1,654	1,141	998	930	1,190	1,242	1,103	1,241	1,134	1,020	1,040	1,219	990	-19%
	Chara # 1	97	114	124	84	86	115	77	114	82	82	94	81	99	+22%
	Chara # 2	58	57	57	37	48	76	58	62	41	41	73	51	59	+17%
Nangarhar	Khata # 1	78	76	86	74	76	76	67	83	52	60	73	71	89	+25%
	Khata # 2	49	48	48	28	38	38	48	52	31	31	52	46	50	+8%
	Off- white powder (Batan)	2,773	2,663	2,566	1,860	1,905	1,911	1,726	1,964	2,062	1,938	1,769	1,828	1,782	-3%
	White powder (Injection)	3,893	3,139	3,041	2,604	2,571	2,676	2,686	2,895	2,577	2,447	2,289	2,437	2,079	-15%
Takhar	Off- white powder (Crystal) - 60%	1,909	2,517	2,545	2,708	2,779	2,099	2,038	2,041	1,606	1,413	1,432	1,442	1,677	+16%

Graph 4: Prices of different types of heroin in Afghanistan, (US\$/kg), August 2014

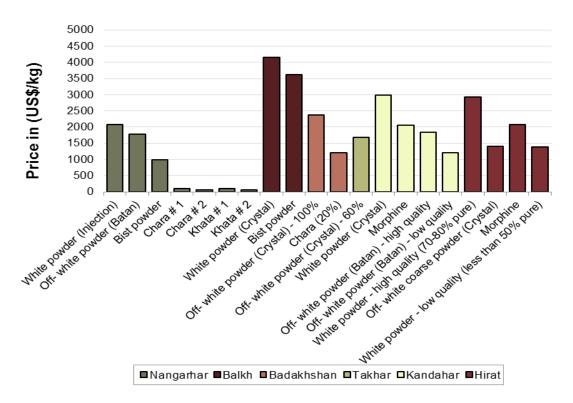


Table 8: Prices of 1 kilogram of different types of Heroin in local currency

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					Change (Aug-Jul)
Province	Types of heroin	Local currency	Jul-14	Aug-14	%
Badakhshan	Chara (20%)	Afghani	58,000	68,000	+17%
Dauakiisiiaii	Off- white powder (Crystal) - 100%	Afghani	127,600	134,400	+5%
Balkh	Bist powder	Afghani	207,200	206,000	-1%
Daikii	White powder (Crystal)	Afghani	238,000	236,000	-1%
	Morphine	Iranian Tuman	6,310,000	6,500,000	+3%
Hirat	Off- white coarse powder (Crystal)	Iranian Tuman	4,400,000	4,400,000	+0%
пігац	White powder - high quality (70-80% pure)	Iranian Tuman	9,260,000	9,180,000	-1%
	White powder - low quality (less than 50% pure)	Iranian Tuman	4,570,000	4,370,000	-4%
	Morphine	Pakistani Rupee	205,200	206,000	+0.4%
Kandahar	Off- white powder (Batan) - high quality	Pakistani Rupee	185,000	185,500	+0.3%
Kalluallal	Off- white powder (Batan) - low quality	Pakistani Rupee	122,000	122,000	+0.0%
	White powder (Crystal)	Pakistani Rupee	302,000	301,000	-0.3%
	Bist powder	Pakistani Rupee	120,000	100,000	-17%
	Chara # 1	Pakistani Rupee	8,000	10,000	+25%
	Chara # 2	Pakistani Rupee	5,000	6,000	+20%
Nangarhar	Khata # 1	Pakistani Rupee	7,000	9,000	+29%
	Khata # 2	Pakistani Rupee	4,500	5,000	+11%
	Off- white powder (Batan)	Pakistani Rupee	180,000	180,000	+0%
	White powder (Injection)	Pakistani Rupee	240,000	210,000	-13%
Takhar	Off- white powder (Crystal) - 60%	Pakistani Rupee	81200	95200	+17%

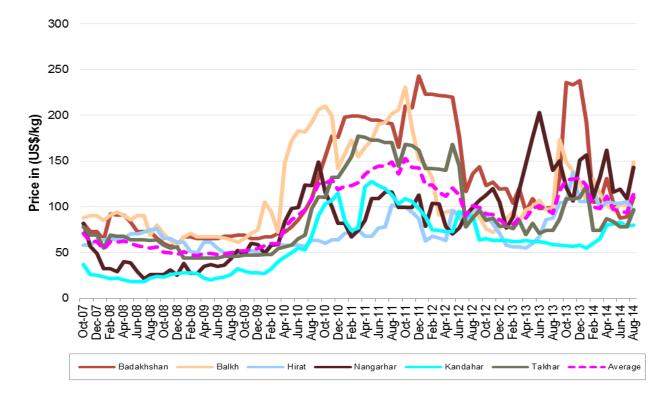
CANNABIS RESIN:

There are mainly three types of cannabis resin available in Afghanistan namely Garda # 1, # 2 and # 3 with quality as best, moderate and fair respectively. Garda # 1 (Shirak) in Badakhshan province was the most expensive cannabis resin because of its pure quality however, the price has been decreased significantly in the month of March due to low demand and increasing security check points. Earlier Garda # 1 (Jooshi) of Balkh province was most expensive and popular because of it's high quality however it lost it's demand due to it's blending with lower quality hashish.

Table 9: Prices of different types of cannabis resin in Afghanistan, (US\$/kg), Aug 2013 - Aug 2014

Province	Types of cannabis resin	Aug-13	Sep-13	Oct-13	Nov-13	Dec-13	Jan-14	Feb-14	Mar-14	Apr-14	May-14	Jun-14	Jul-14	Aug-14	Change (Aug-Jul) %
Badakhshan	Garda # 1 (Shirak)	99	130	236	233	238	192	105	105	131	104	88	89	110	+24%
Balkh	Garda # 1 (Jooshi)	99	173	149	138	127	114	131	114	102	96	102	101	149	+48%
Daikii	Garda # 2 (Morchajosh)	74	139	114	112	97	88	96	87	79	73	97	94	105	+12%
Hirat	Garda # 1	88	104	105	137	106	106	120	98	106	104	104	106	95	-10%
Tillat	Garda # 2	62	69	70	86	67	53	67	58	53	61	60	53	61	+16%
	Garda # 1	59	58	58	57	58	55	60	65	80	81	83	79	80	+1%
Kandahar	Garda # 2	43	42	41	41	42	39	39	46	47	47	49	47	48	+0%
	Garda # 3	22	21	21	21	21	19	20	25	27	28	30	27	27	-2%
	Garda # 1	140	150	121	106	151	157	110	132	162	116	119	109	143	+32%
Nangarhar	Garda # 2	98	68	54	60	89	96	82	88	74	65	67	58	94	+63%
	Garda # 3	29	27	27	27	34	41	34	44	44	36	33	22	29	+32%
Takhar	Garda # 1 (Shirak)	74	87	109	108	110	122	74	74	87	84	78	78	97	+24%

Graph 5: Average⁶ price of cannabis resin (Garda # 1, best quality) in US\$/kg, Oct 2007 - Aug 2014



⁶ Simple average of all observations

Graph 6: Prices of different types of cannabis resin in Afghanistan, (US\$/kg), August 2014

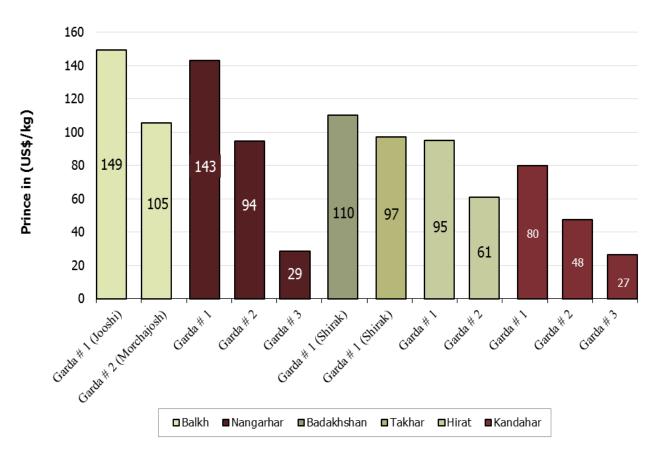


Table 10: Prices of 1 kilogram of different types of cannabis resin in Afghanistan in local currency, July 2014 – August 2014

Prices of 1 kg of different types of cannabis resin in local currency

			lul 44	A 4.4	Change (Aug-Jul) %
Province	Types of cannabis resin	Local currency	Jul-14	Aug-14	/0
Badakhshan	Garda # 1 (Shirak)	Afghani	5,000	6,250	+25%
Balkh	Garda # 1 (Jooshi)	Afghani	5,700	8,500	+49%
Daikii	Garda # 2 (Morchajosh)	Afghani	5,300	6,000	+13%
Hirat	Garda # 1	Iranian Tuman	327,000	300,000	-8%
Tillat	Garda # 2	Iranian Tuman	163,000	191,000	+17%
	Garda # 1	Pakistani Rupee	7,778	8,000	+3%
Kandahar	Garda # 2	Pakistani Rupee	4,667	4,778	+2%
	Garda # 3	Pakistani Rupee	2,667	2,667	+0%
	Garda # 1	Pakistani Rupee	10,714	14,285	+33%
Nangarhar	Garda # 2	Pakistani Rupee	5,714	9,428	+65%
	Garda # 3	Pakistani Rupee	2,142	2,857	+33%
Takhar	Garda # 1 (Shirak)	Afghani	4,400	5,500	+25%

LICIT CROPS:

Prices of wheat, cotton, saffron, rice (imported) and rice (local) collected in six provinces of Afghanistan are shown in below table.

Table 11: Prices of wheat, cotton, saffron, imported and local rice in Afghanistan in local currency, August 2014

Province	Types of crops	Price/Kg in Pakistani Rupee (PRs)	Price/Kg in Afghani (AFs)	Price/Kg in (US\$)
Badakhshan	Wheat	-	20	0.4
Badakhshan	Rice Imported	-	95	1.7
Badakhshan	Rice Local	-	45	0.8
Balkh	Wheat	-	20	0.4
Balkh	Cotton	-	56	1.0
Balkh	Rice Imported	-	91	1.6
Balkh	Rice Local	-	64	1.1
Hirat	Wheat	-	27	0.5
Hirat	Cotton	-	85	1.5
Hirat	Saffron	-	90,000	1,581
Hirat	Rice Imported	-	80	1.4
Hirat	Rice Local	-	70	1.2
Kandahar	Wheat	50	-	0.5
Kandahar	Cotton	190	-	1.9
Kandahar	Rice Imported	142	-	1.4
Nangarhar	Wheat	39	-	0.4
Nangarhar	Cotton	179	-	1.8
Nangarhar	Rice Imported	135	-	1.3
Nangarhar	Rice Local	47	-	0.5
Takhar	Wheat	-	15	0.3
Takhar	Rice Imported	-	85	1.5
Takhar	Rice Local	-	40	0.7

Table 12: Prices of wheat, cotton, saffron, imported and local rice in Afghanistan, (US\$/kg),

August 2013 – August 2014

														Increase/D
														ecrease
Types of crops	Aug-13	Sep-13	Oct-13	Nov-13	Dec-13	Jan-14	Feb-14	Mar-14	Apr-14	May-14	Jun-14	Jul-14	Aug-14	(%)
Wheat	0.35	0.34	0.35	0.39	0.41	0.41	0.38	0.40	0.41	0.39	0.38	0.38	0.39	+1%
Cotton	1.4	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.6	1.5	1.5	1.6	1.5	1.5	+0%
Saffron	1,500	1,470	1,488	1,388	1,419	1,405	1,307	1,397	1,404	1,564	1,589	1,600	1,581	-1%
Rice (Imported)	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.5	1.5	1.4	1.4	1.5	1.4	1.5	1.5	1.5	+1%
Rice (Local)	0.9	0.9	0.9	1.0	1.0	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.8	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.9	+5%

CANNABIS AND POPPY SEEDS:

Prices of cannabis and poppy seeds collected from eighteen provinces of Afghanistan are tabulated below.

Table 13: Prices of cannabis and poppy seeds in local currency, July 2014 – August 2014

			Prices of cannabis spoppy seed curre		
					Change
Province	Types of seed	Local currency	Jul-14	Aug-14	(Aug-Jul) (%)
	Poppy seed	Afghani	30	40	+33%
Badakhshan	Cannabis seed	Afghani	25	30	+20%
	Poppy seed	Afghani	30	35	+17%
Baghlan	Cannabis seed	Afghani	20	20	+0%
	Poppy seed	Afghani	50	40	-20%
Balkh	Cannabis seed	Afghani	20	20	+0%
	Poppy seed	Afghani	40	40	+0%
Farah	Cannabis seed	Afghani	43	43	+0%
	Poppy seed	Afghani	80	70	-13%
Faryab	Cannabis seed	Afghani	25	25	+0%
1121	Poppy seed	Afghani	36	37	+3%
Hilmand	Cannabis seed	Afghani	22	24	+10%
TP -	Poppy seed	Afghani	35	35	+0%
Hirat	Cannabis seed	Afghani	38	38	+0%
Kabul	Poppy seed	Afghani	20	18	-10%
I/	Poppy seed	Afghani	38	38	+0%
Kandahar	Cannabis seed	Afghani	22	24	+10%
Kapisa	Poppy seed	Afghani	15	10	-33%
Kunar	Poppy seed	Pakistani Ruppee	29	29	+0%
Laghman	Poppy seed	Pakistani Ruppee	29	29	+0%
Logar	Cannabis seed	Afghani	30	33	+10%
Nangarhar	Poppy seed	Pakistani Ruppee	26	26	+0%
ivangamai	Cannabis seed	Pakistani Ruppee	14	14	+0%
Paktya	Cannabis seed	Afghani	22	20	-9%
Takhar	Poppy seed	Afghani	35	45	+29%
I arvilai	Cannabis seed	Afghani	18	35	+94%
Uruzgan	Poppy seed	Afghani	38	39	+3%
Oluzyan	Cannabis seed	Afghani	18	20	+13%
Zabul	Poppy seed	Afghani	40	39	-3%
Zaval	Cannabis seed	Afghani	24	26	+5%

Table 13: Prices of cannabis and poppy seeds in Afghanistan, (US\$/kg), July 2013 – July 2014

														Increase/Decrease
Types of seeds	Aug-13	Sep-13	Oct-13	Nov-13	Dec-13	Jan-14	Feb-14	Mar-14	Apr-14	May-14	Jun-14	Jul-14	Aug-14	(%)
Cannabis seed	0.40	0.38	0.40	0.41	0.44	0.34	0.37	0.37	0.39	0.40	0.43	0.44	0.46	+4%
Poppy seed	0.57	0.55	0.58	0.61	0.69	0.54	0.60	0.59	0.58	0.57	0.58	0.59	0.58	-1%

PRICES OF HEROIN, OPIUM AND HASHISH AT CONSUMER LEVEL:

The consumer prices of heroin, opium and hashish collected from different regions of Afghanistan are as below. The quality of product varies widely in different regions.

Graph 7: Regional average⁷ prices of heroin, opium and hashish at consumer level in (US\$/Kg), August 2014

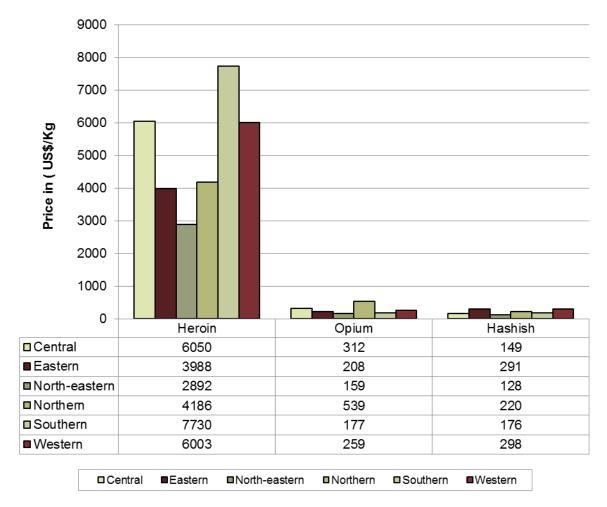


Table 15: Average⁸ prices of Heroin, Opium and Hashish at consumer level in Afghanistan, (US\$/kg), August 2013 – August 2014

						Averaç	ge price:	s in (US	i/kg)					
Types of drug	Aua-13	Sep-13	Oct-13	Nov-13	Dec-13	Jan-14	Feb-14	Mar-14	Apr-14	Mav-14	Jun-14	Jul-14		Change (Aug-Jul) (%)
Heroin	5,337	4,664	5,218	5,318	5,261	4,718	5,389	5,538		5,246	5,236	5,120	4,940	-4%
Opium	306	309	319	327	330	323	427	336	329	292	283	286	292	+2%
Hashish	174	198	203	206	220	197	204	214	206	202	207	199	215	+8%

⁷ Simple average of all observations

PRICES OF DRUGS IN PAKISTAN:

The prices of different types of opium, heroin and hashish reported from Peshawar and Quetta in Pakistan are as below:

A. PESHAWAR

OPIUM:

There are three types of dry opium namely Opium - Afghanistan (opium of Afghanistan), Opium - Terra and Opium - Tapa (adulterated) available in Peshawar, Pakistan. Opium-Terra is the most expensive opium reported in Peshawar.

Table 14: Prices of different types of opium in Peshawar, Pakistan in (US\$/Kg):

Types of opium	Aug-13	Sep-13	Oct-13	Nov-13	Dec-13	Jan-14	Feb-14	Mar-14	Apr-14	May-14	Jun-14		Aug-14	Change (Aug-Jul) %
Opium - Terra	351	332	323	307	304	267	264	289	290	286	248	241	235	-3%
Opium - Afghanistan	293	275	266	261	266	220	216	233	232	227	227	222	214	-4%
Opium - Tapa (adulterated)	225	209	204	195	195	177	173	191	185	185	186	182	175	-4%

HEROIN:

There are three types of heroin namely White (Injection), Yellow (Batan) and Saada (Ordinary) available in Peshawar, Pakistan. White (injection) type is the most expensive heroin reported in Peshawar.

Table 15: Prices of different types of heroin in Peshawar, Pakistan in (US\$/Kg):

Types of heroin	Aug-13	Sep-13	Oct-13	Nov-13	Dec-13	Jan-14	Feb-14	Mar-14	Apr-14	May-14	Jun-14	Jul-14	Aug-14	Change (Aug-Jul) %
Heroin - White (Injection)	4,150	3,989	4,040	3,908	3,943	2,864	2,925	3,204	3,290	3,369	3,461	3,377	3,380	+0.1%
Heroin - Yellow (Batan)	3,954	3,799	3,849	3,722	3,800	2,673	2,733	2,997	3,085	3,165	3,254	3,195	3,182	-0.4%
Heroin - Saada (Ordinary)	2,197	2,089	2,120	2,047	2,071	1,623	1,650	1,798	1,799	1,837	1,911	1,846	1,839	-0.4%

HASHISH:

There are three types of hashish namely Hashish - Garda # 1, # 2 and # 3 available in Peshawar, Pakistan. Hashish-Garda#1 is the most expensive hashish reported in Peshawar.

Table 16: Prices of different types of Hashish in Peshawar, Pakistan in (US\$/Kg):

														Change (Aug-Jul)
Types of hashish	Aug-13	Sep-13	Oct-13	Nov-13	Dec-13	Jan-14	Feb-14	Mar-14	Apr-14	May-14	Jun-14	Jul-14	Aug-14	%
Hashish - Garda # 1	586	617	646	614	618	535	547	594	596	612	620	619	636	+3%
Hashish - Garda # 2	459	465	475	456	456	449	446	486	483	490	506	502	497	-1%
Hashish - Garda # 3	410	408	418	400	399	372	379	408	401	393	403	401	388	-3%

Table 17: Prices of different types of drugs in Peshawar, Pakistan in local currency, (Pak Rupee/kg):

			(Pakistani ee)/kg
Types of drugs	Jul-14	Aug-14	Change (Aug-Jul) %
Opium -Afghanistan	21,900	21,500	-2%
Opium -Tapa (Adulterated)	17,950	17,600	-2%
Opium –Terra	23,800	23,600	-1%
Heroin -White (Injection)	333,000	340,000	+2%
Heroin -Yellow (Batan)	315,000	320,000	+2%
Heroin -Saada (Ordinary)	182,000	185,000	+2%
Hashish -Garda # 1	61,000	64,000	+5%
Hashish -Garda # 2	49,500	50,000	+1%
Hashish -Garda # 3	39,500	39,000	-1%

B. QUETTA

OPIUM:

Table 18: Prices of different quality of opium in Quetta, Pakistan in (US\$/Kg):

Quality of opium	Aug-13	Sep-13	Oct-13	Nov-13	Dec-13	Jan-14	Feb-14	Mar-14	Apr-14	May-14	Jun-14	Jul-14	Aug-14	Change (Aug-Jul) %
High quality	457	437	428	415	431	334	336	360	388	367	364	355	358	+1%
Medium quality	389	380	380	369	383	267	254	267	276	265	260	254	259	+2%
Low quality	369	342	333	323	336	210	211	226	235	224	229	203	199	-2%

HEROIN:

Table 19: Prices of different quality of heroin in Quetta, Pakistan in (US\$/Kg):

														Change
														(Aug-Jul)
Quality of heroin	Aug-13	Sep-13	Oct-13	Nov-13	Dec-13	Jan-14	Feb-14	Mar-14	Apr-14	May-14	Jun-14	Jul-14	Aug-14	%
High quality (Crystal)	5591	5318	5133	4847	4985	3628	3453	3599	3673	3571	3641	3398	3484	+3%
Medium quality	3209	3039	2946	2862	2972	2864	2877	3085	3061	3061	2913	2789	2737	-2%
Low quality	1945	1899	1853	1754	1821	1671	1678	1799	1837	1786	1664	1521	1593	+5%

HASHISH:

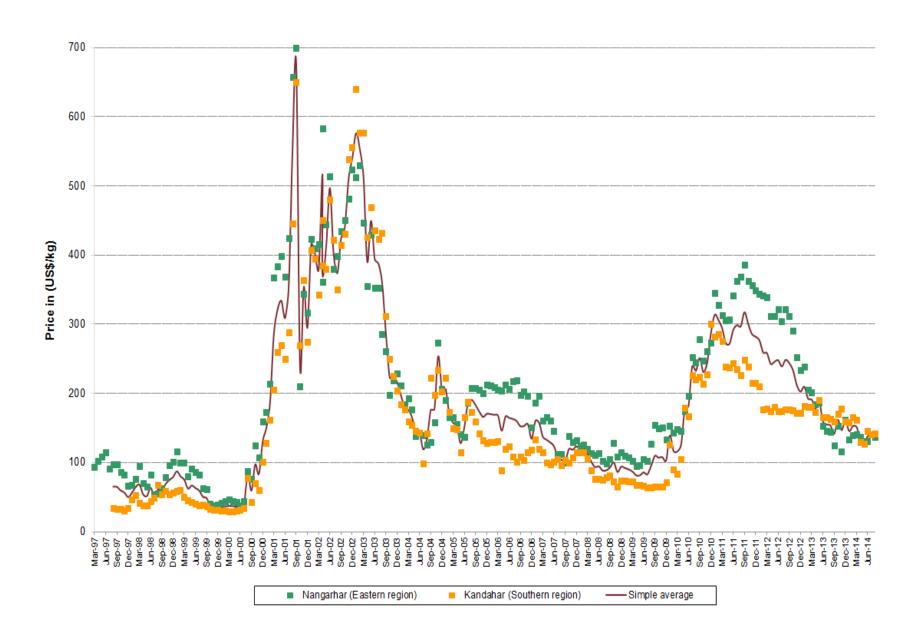
Table 20: Prices of different quality of Hashish in Quetta, Pakistan in (US\$/Kg):

			_											Change
														(Aug-Jul)
Quality of hashish	Aug-13	Sep-13	Oct-13	Nov-13	Dec-13	Jan-14	Feb-14	Mar-14	Apr-14	May-14	Jun-14	Jul-14	Aug-14	%
High quality	447	418	418	406	431	535	537	566	612	612	624	588	597	+2%
Medium quality	408	380	361	342	355	458	432	463	490	510	520	507	498	-2%

Table 21: Prices of different types of drugs in Quetta, Pakistan in local currency, (Pak Rupee/kg):

			(Pakistani bee)/kg
Types of drugs	Jul-14	Aug-14	Change (Aug-Jul) %
Opium -High quality	35,000	36,000	+3%
Opium -Medium quality	25,000	26,000	+4%
Opium -Low quality	20,000	20,000	+0%
Heroin -High quality (Crystal)	335,000	350,000	+4%
Heroin -Medium quality	275,000	275,000	+0%
Heroin -Low quality	150,000	160,000	+7%
Hashish -High quality	58,000	60,000	+3%
Hashish -Medium quality	50,000	50,000	+0%

Graph 8: Average price of dry opium collected from traders in Nangarhar and Kandahar provinces (US\$/Kg), Mar 1997 - Aug 2014



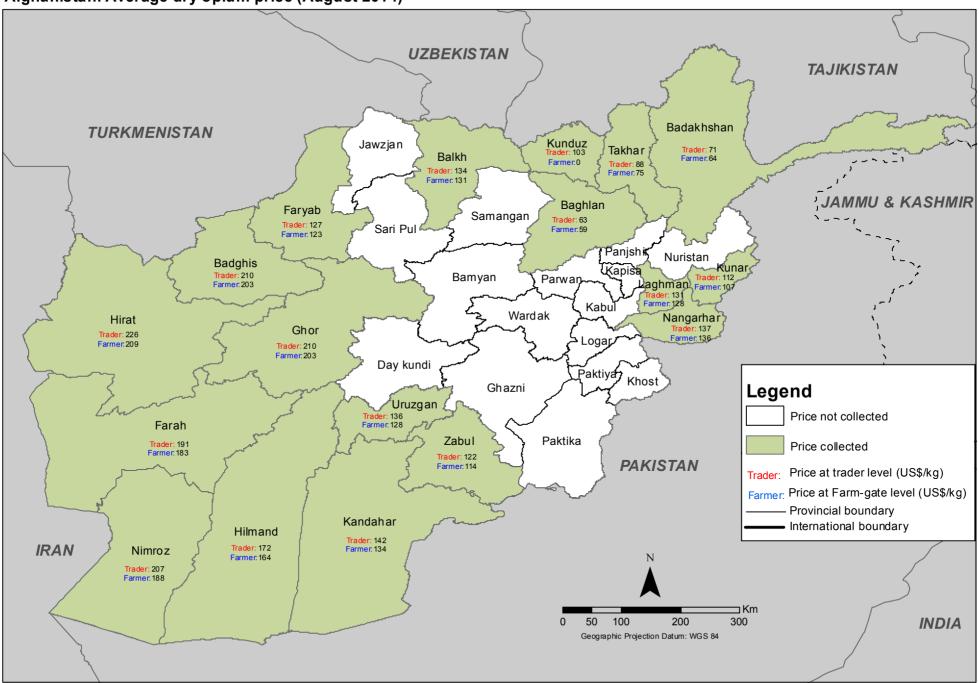
Methodology

- Prices are collected in the last week of every month from around twenty farmers and equal numbers of trader prices are collected by MCN Survey coordinators generally from different farmers and traders each month; however the price data collection is sourced from a few known farmers and traders as well.
- Opium prices are collected from 18 of 34 provinces namely Badakhshan, Baghlan, Badghis, Balkh, Farah, Faryab, Ghor, Hilmand, Hirat, Kandahar, Kunar, Kunduz, Laghman, Nangarhar, Nimroz, Uruzgan, Takhar and Zabul. The prices of dry and fresh opium are collected from farmers (at farm-gate level) and traders (at trader level).
- Different varieties of heroin, morphine and cannabis resin prices are collected from six provinces of Afghanistan namely Badakhshan, Balkh, Hirat, Nangarhar, Kandahar and Takhar.
- Prices of some licit crops such as wheat, saffron, imported and local rice is also collected from six provinces of Afghanistan and included in this report.
- Prices of poppy seeds, cannabis seeds and acetic anhydride are included in the report as well.
- Different varieties of opium, heroin and hashish prices are also collected from Peshawar as well as Quetta province of Pakistan. Prices are collected and reported by UNODC office in Peshawar and Quetta in Pakistan.
- The prices are also presented in local currency for convenience of certain analysis; however the
 national average prices are presented in USD. At the regional level, average prices are reflected
 in local currency with exception of the Western region since prices are reported in two different
 currencies.
- Prices are reported in different currencies in different regions. The prices in Eastern region (Kunar, Laghman and Nangarhar) and Southern region (Kandahar, Hilmand, Uruzgan and Zabul) are reported in Pakistani rupees. In Northern (Balkh, Baghlan, Farayb) and North-eastern (Badakhshan, Kunduz, Takhar) regions, the prices are reported in Afghani. However, prices are reported in two different currencies namely Afghani and Iranian Tuman in Western region. The prices are converted in US\$ using the exchange rate from oanda.com site considering the rates on the same date the observation is made.

Number of observations of dry and fresh opium prices

	Number of obs	servations (n)	Number of
	Farm-gate price	Trader price	provinces price collected
Dry Opium	181	182	18
Fresh Opium	182	183	18

Afghanistan: Average dry opium price (August 2014)



Source: Governnment of Afghanistan - National monitoring system implemented by MCN / UNODC

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