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Drug price by year (January 2014 - January 2015)

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

Dry Opium	Jan-14	Jan-15	Increase/ Decrease (%)
<i>Farm-gate price (US\$/Kg)</i>	147	143	-3%
<i>Trader price (US\$/Kg)</i>	155	150	-3%

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

Fresh Opium	Jan-14	Jan-15	Increase/ Decrease (%)
<i>Farm-gate price (US\$/Kg)</i>	132	131.7	-0.4%
<i>Trader price (US\$/Kg)</i>	138	136	-1%

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

Heroin	Jan-14	Jan-15	Increase/ Decrease (%)
<i>High Quality</i>	3,090	3,361	+9%
<i>Medium Quality</i>	2,027	2,133	+5%

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

Types of cannabis resin	Jan-14	Jan-15	Increase/ Decrease (%)
<i>Cannabis resin (Garda # 1) price (US\$/kg)</i>	123	102	-17%
<i>Cannabis resin (Garda # 2) price (US\$/kg)</i>	60	64	+7%
<i>Cannabis resin (Garda # 3) price (US\$/kg)</i>	30	32	+7%

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

Best quality of Heroin/Hashish	Jan-14	Jan-15	Increase/Decrease (%)
<i>Heroin - White (Injection) price (US\$/kg)</i>	2,864	3,274	+14%
<i>Hashish - (Garda # 1) price (US\$/kg)</i>	535	645	+21%

¹ Simple average of all observations

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

Best quality of Heroin/Hashish	Jan-14	Jan-15	Increase/Decrease (%)
Heroin - High quality (Crystal) price (US\$/kg)	3,628	4,322	19%
Hashish - High quality price (US\$/kg)	535	754	+41%

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

Types of drugs	Jan-14	Jan-15	Increase/Decrease (%)
Heroin	4,718	5,244	+11%
Opium	323	270	-16%
Hashish	197	194	-1%

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

Types of crops	Jan-14	Jan-15	Increase/Decrease (%)
Wheat	0.406	0.41	+1.4%
Cotton	1.37	1.38	+0.5%
Saffron	1,405	1,572	+12%
Rice (imported)*	1.47	1.46	-1%
Rice (local)*	0.84	0.82	-3%

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

Types of seeds	Jan-14	Jan-15	Increase/Decrease (%)
Cannabis seed	0.34	0.42	+24%
Poppy seed	0.54	0.61	+13%

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

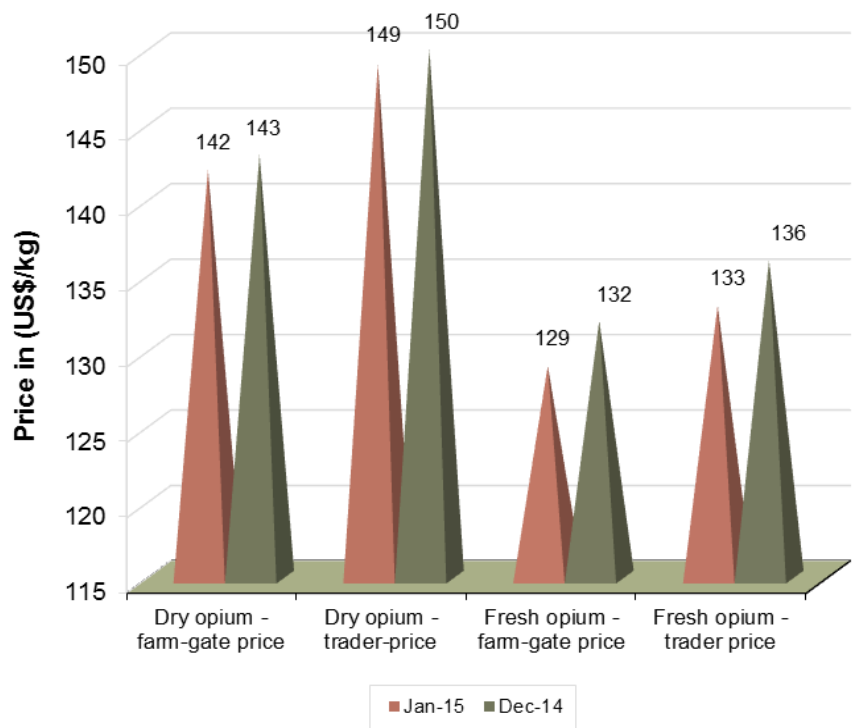
Variety of Acetic Anhydride	Jan-14	Jan-15	Increase/Decrease (%)
Acetic Anhydride - A*	185	300	+62%
Acetic Anhydride - B*	86	182	+112%
Acetic Anhydride - C*	78	162	+107%
Acetic Anhydride - D*	154	157	+2%
Acetic Anhydride - E*	132	158	+20%
Acetic Anhydride - F*	144	344	+138%

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

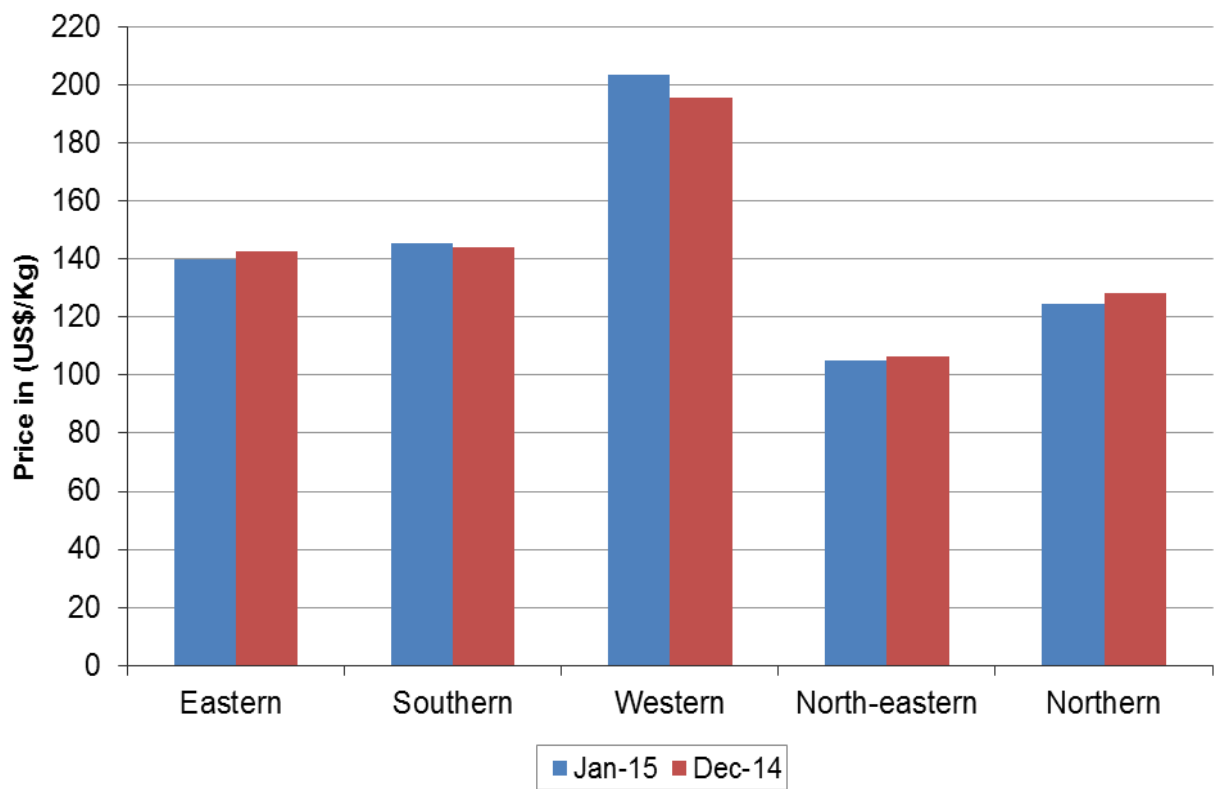
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Drug price by Month (December 2014 – January 2015)

Price change of Dry Opium and Fresh Opium (December 2014 – January 2015)



Regional average price of dry opium from traders (December 2014 – January 2015)

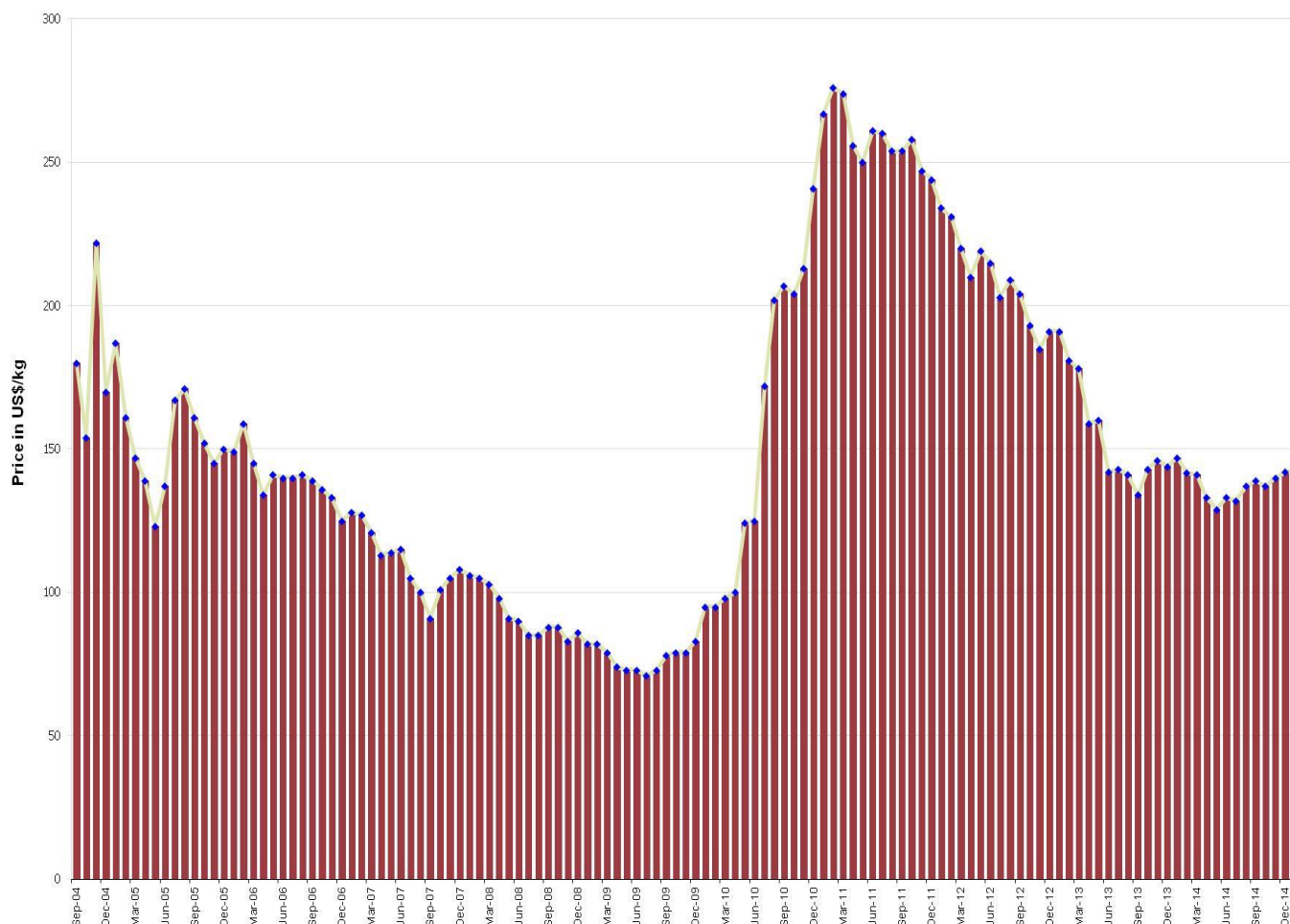


DRY OPIUM

FARM-GATE PRICE:

The national average price for one kilogram of dry opium in Afghanistan at the farm-gate level was **US\$ 143/kg** at the end of January 2015 which is 1% higher compared to price reported in December 2014 (**US\$ 142/kg**). The average dry opium price at the farm-gate level in January 2015 is 3% lower than the price reported in January 2014 which was **US\$ 147/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 Jan 2015



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\$ 172/kg** in January 2015 showing an increase of 3% compared to the price reported in December 2014 (**US\$ 165**). The average price of 1 kilogram of **Chaynaki** dry opium at farm-gate level in Hilmand province is **US\$ 362/kg** in January 2015 with an increased by 1% compared to the price reported in December 2014 (**US\$ 359**).

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

Dry Opium (Chaynaki quality)	Balkh		Change (Jan-Dec) %	Hilmand		Change (Jan-Dec) %
	Dec-14	Jan-15		Dec-14	Jan-15	
Farm-gate price (US\$/Kg)	167	172	+3%	359	362	+1%

² Simple average of all observations

DRY OPIUM:

TRADER PRICE

The national average dry opium price collected from traders was **US\$ 150/kg** at the end of January 2015 showing **1%** increase compared to the price reported last month (December 2014) (**US\$ 149/kg**). The average dry opium price at trader level in January 2015 is **3%** lower than the price reported last year (January 2014) which was **US\$ 155/kg**

Dry opium price collected from traders has increased by 4% and 1% in Western and Southern regions respectively. Price decreased by 3%, 2% and 1% in Northern, North-eastern, and Eastern regions respectively.

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

Region	Price of Dry Opium (US\$/Kg)		Price change (%)
	Dec-14	Jan-15	
Eastern region (Kunar, Laghman, Nangarhar)	143	140	-2%
Southern region (Hilmand, Kandahar, Uruzgan, Zabul)	144	145	+1%
Western region (Badghis, Farah, Ghor, Hirat, Nimroz)	195	203	+4%
North-eastern region (Badakhshan, Kunduz, Takhar)	106	105	-1%
Northern region (Baghlan, Balkh, Faryab)	128	124	-3%
Average	149	150	+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\$ 179/kg** in January 2015 showing an increase of **1%** compared to the price reported in December 2014 (**US\$ 176/kg**). In Hilmand province, the average price of 1 kilogram of **Chaynaki** dry opium at trader level is **US\$ 383/kg** in January 2015 increased by **1%** compared to the price reported in December 2014 (**US\$ 380**)

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

Dry Opium (Chaynaki quality)	Balkh		Change (Jan-Dec) %	Hilmand		Change (Jan-Dec) %
	Dec-14	Jan-15		Dec-14	Jan-15	
Trader price (US\$/Kg)	176	179	+1%	380	383	+1%

³ Simple average of all observations

Graph 2: Regional average⁴ price of dry opium from traders (January 2005 to January 2015)

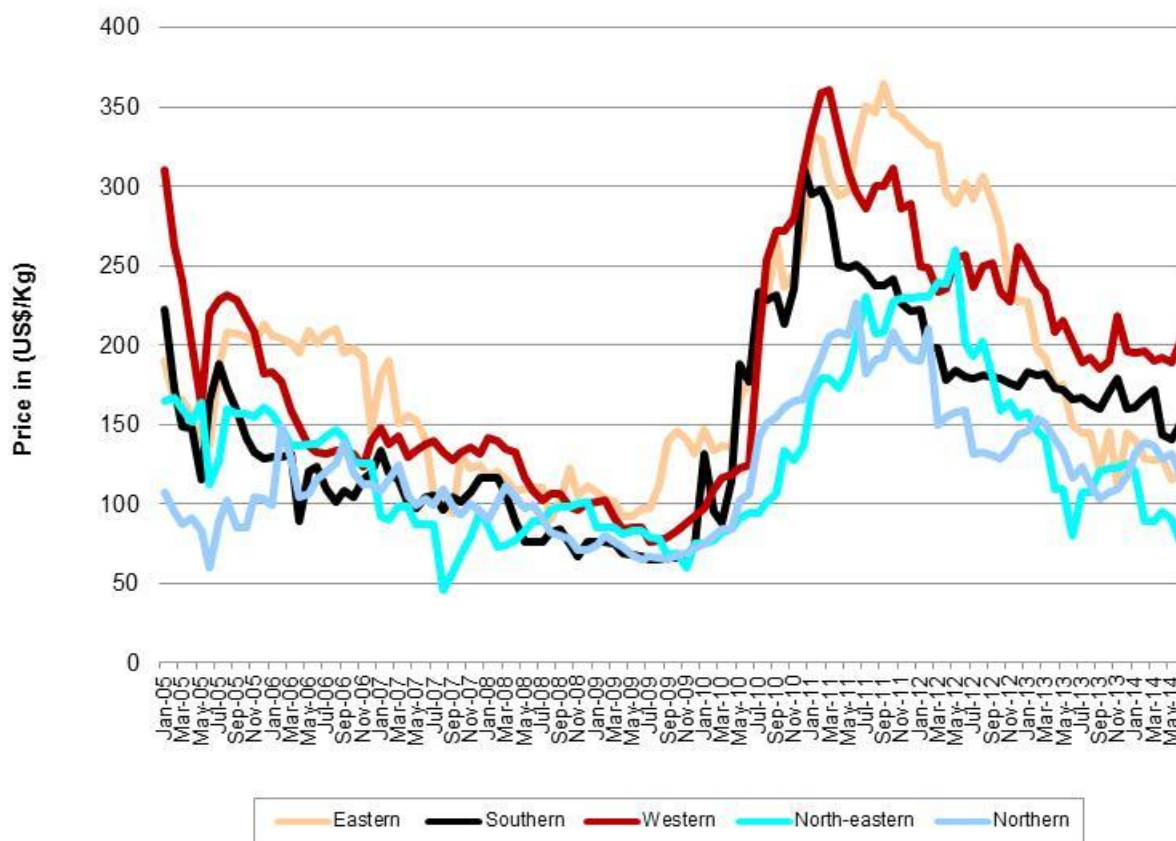


Table 4: Regional average⁴ price of dry opium at farm-gate and trader level in local currency

		Price of 1 kg of Dry Opium in local currency					
		Dec-14		Jan-15			
Region	Local currency	Farm-gate	Trader	Farm-gate	Trader	Change at farm-gate level (Jan-Dec) (%)	Change at trader level (Jan-Dec) (%)
Eastern region (Kunar, Laghman, Nangarhar)	Pakistani Rupee	13,975	14,250	13,611	13,894	-3%	-2%
Southern region (Hilmand, Kandahar, Uruzgan, Zabul)	Pakistani Rupee	13,849	14,485	13,849	14,485	+0%	+0%
Western region (Badghis, Ghor) *	Afghani	10,050	10,447	10,332	10,729	+3%	+3%
Western region (Farah, Hirat, Nimroz) *	Imanian Tuman	693,535	738,000	700,202	744,667	+1%	+1%
North-eastern region (Badakhshan, Kunduz, Takhar)	Afghani	5,361	6,160	5,175	6,003	-3%	-3%
Northern region (Baghlan, Balkh, Faryab)	Afghani	7,179	7,442	6,885	7,106	-4%	-5%

* 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 January 2015, the national average price of fresh opium increased by **2%** from **US\$ 129/kg** in December 2014 to **US\$ 132/kg in January 2015** at the farm-gate level. Similarly, the national average price of fresh opium at trader level increased by **2%** from **US\$ 133/kg** in December 2014 to **US\$ 136/kg** this month (January 2015).

Graph 3: National average⁵ price of fresh opium at farm-gate and trader level, US\$/kg (August 2009 to January 2015)

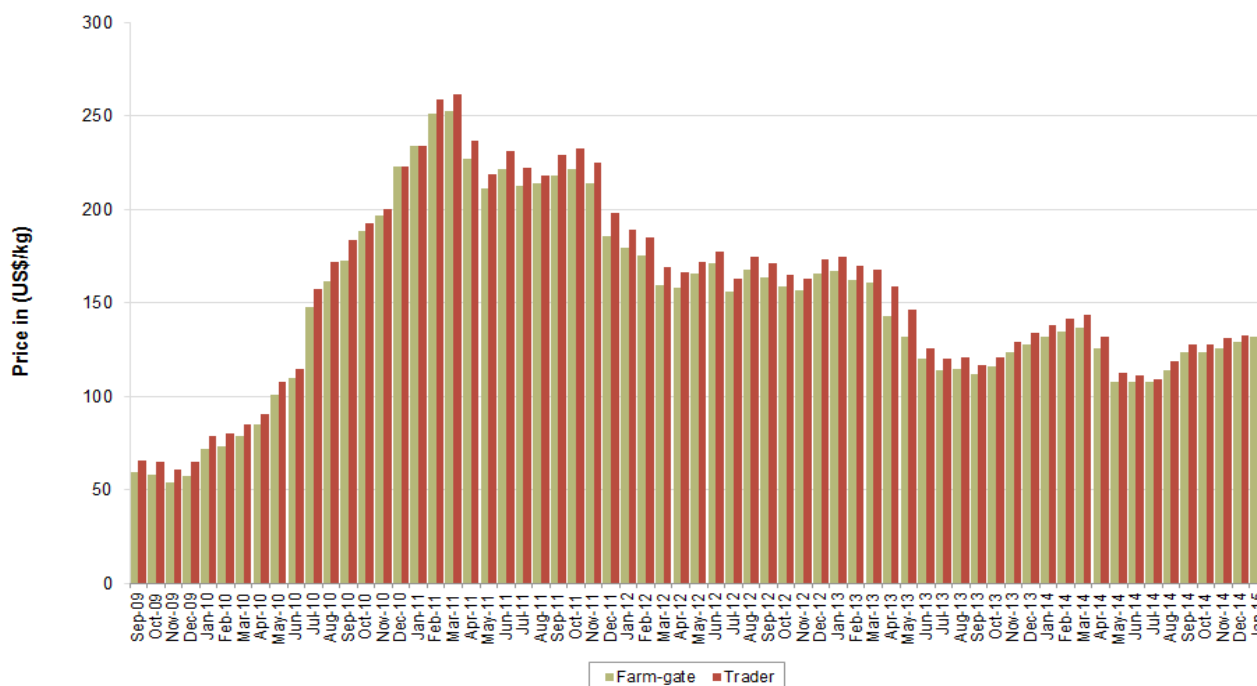


Table 5: Regional average⁵ price of fresh opium at farm-gate and trader level in local currency

		Price of 1 kg of Fresh Opium in local currency					
		Dec-14		Jan-15			
Region	Local currency	Farm-gate	Trader	Farm-gate	Trader	Change at farm-gate level (Jan-Dec) (%)	Change at trader level (Jan-Dec) (%)
Eastern region (Kunar, Laghman, Nangarhar)	Pakistani Rupee	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Southern region (Hilmand, Kandahar, Uruzgan, Zabul)	Pakistani Rupee	12,290	12,785	12,290	12,785	+0%	+0%
Western region (Badghis, Ghor) *	Afghani	7,196	7,446	7,478	7,728	+4%	+4%
Western region (Farah, Hirat, Nimroz) *	Imanian Tuman	570,041	583,957	573,850	587,767	+1%	+1%
North-eastern region (Badakhshan, Kunduz, Takhar)	Afghani	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Northern region (Baghlan, Balkh, Faryab)	Afghani	6,388	6,621	6,288	6,538	-2%	-1%

* 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\$ 71/kg**) is called as Khata # 2 reported in Nangarhar province.

Table 7: Prices of different types of Heroin in Afghanistan,(US\$/kg), Jan 2014 – Jan 2015

Province	Types of Heroin	Jan-14	Feb-14	Mar-14	Apr-14	May-14	Jun-14	Jul-14	Aug-14	Sep-14	Oct-14	Nov-14	Dec-14	Jan-15	Change (Jan-Dec) %
Badakhshan	Chara (20%)	1,224	1,094	1,095	1,104	1,009	1,023	1,030	1,198	998	1,004	1,051	1,207	1,624	+35%
	Off- white powder (Crystal) - 100%	3,585	3,281	3,286	2,408	2,220	2,250	2,266	2,367	2,450	2,463	2,584	3,103	3,551	+14%
Balkh	Best powder	3,512	3,590	3,621	3,509	3,514	3,618	3,680	3,629	3,691	3,665	3,704	3,750	3,854	+3%
	White powder (Crystal)	4,180	4,192	4,212	4,140	4,123	4,221	4,227	4,157	4,240	4,166	4,187	4,229	4,316	+2%
Hirat	Morphine	1,856	2,007	1,891	2,015	2,009	2,103	2,044	2,069	2,204	1,721	2,062	2,086	2,118	+2%
	Off- white coarse powder (Crystal)	2,041	1,997	1,563	1,346	1,339	1,385	1,425	1,400	1,387	1,310	1,335	1,229	1,268	+3%
	White powder - high quality (70-80% pure)	2,942	2,877	2,713	2,890	2,953	3,110	3,000	2,922	3,067	2,827	2,899	2,930	2,900	-1%
	White powder - low quality (less than 50% pure)	1,478	1,465	1,331	1,413	1,431	1,483	1,480	1,391	1,475	1,355	1,380	1,397	1,406	+1%
Kandahar	Morphine	2,007	2,077	2,165	2,062	2,099	2,139	2,084	2,050	2,030	2,018	1,987	2,036	2,070	+2%
	Off- white powder (Batan) - high quality	1,816	1,884	1,959	1,856	1,884	1,930	1,879	1,846	1,824	1,772	1,739	1,748	1,758	+1%
	Off- white powder (Batan) - low quality	1,147	1,237	1,237	1,237	1,249	1,283	1,239	1,214	1,197	1,181	1,143	1,172	1,155	-1%
	White powder (Crystal)	3,058	3,285	3,299	3,093	3,072	3,129	3,067	2,996	2,972	2,954	1,987	2,979	3,014	+1%
Nangarhar	Best powder	1,242	1,103	1,241	1,134	1,020	1,040	1,219	990	884	828	1,192	1,196	1,315	+10%
	Chara # 1	115	77	114	82	82	94	81	99	88	78	79	70	101	+45%
	Chara # 2	76	58	62	41	41	73	51	59	59	58	50	50	81	+62%
	Khata # 1	76	67	83	52	60	73	71	89	74	68	70	60	91	+52%
	Khata # 2	38	48	52	31	31	52	46	50	49	49	30	40	71	+78%
	Off- white powder (Batan)	1,911	1,726	1,964	2,062	1,938	1,769	1,828	1,782	1,768	1,947	1,788	1,795	2,023	+13%
	White powder (Injection)	2,676	2,686	2,895	2,577	2,447	2,289	2,437	2,079	2,062	2,142	2,384	2,393	3,540	+48%
	Off- white powder (Crystal) - 60%	2,099	2,038	2,041	1,606	1,413	1,432	1,442	1,677	1,750	1,774	1,906	2,069	2,841	+37%
Takhar	Off- white powder (Crystal) - 60%	2,099	2,038	2,041	1,606	1,413	1,432	1,442	1,677	1,750	1,774	1,906	2,069	2,841	+37%

Graph 4: Prices of different types of heroin in Afghanistan, (US\$/kg), January 2015

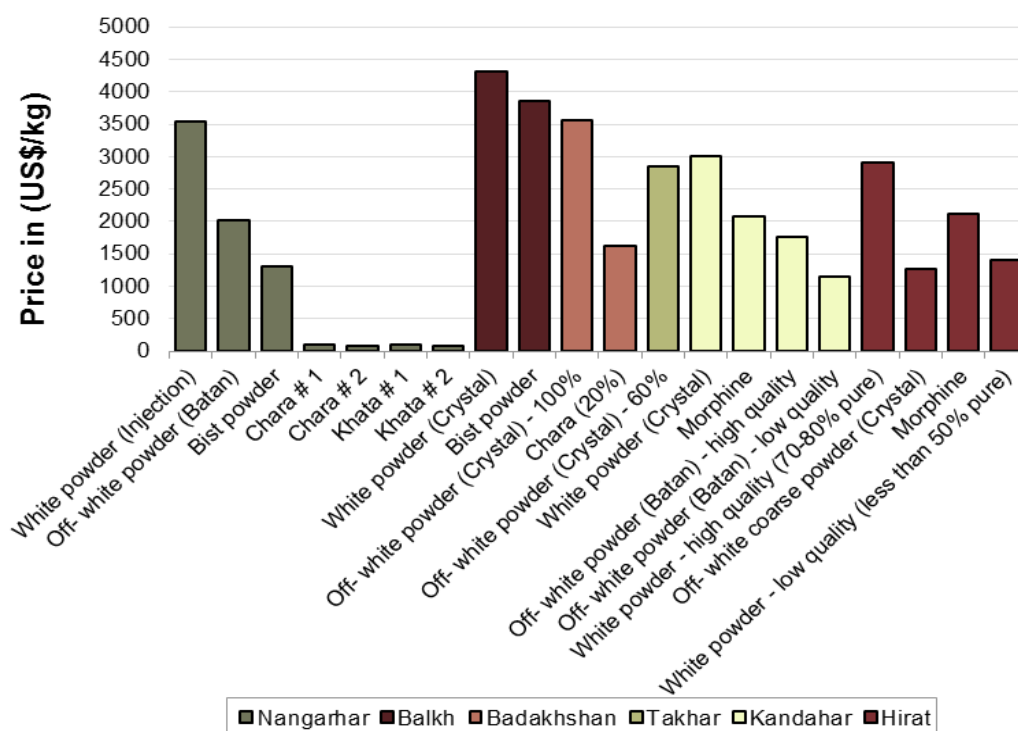


Table 8: Prices of 1 kilogram of different types of Heroin in local currency

Province	Types of heroin	Local currency	Prices of 1 kg of different types of heroin in local currency		Change (Jan-Dec) %
			Dec-14	Jan-15	
Badakhshan	Chara (20%)	Afghani	70,000	92,800	+33%
	Off- white powder (Crystal) - 100%	Afghani	180,000	203,000	+13%
Balkh	Bist powder	Afghani	217,500	220,000	+1%
	White powder (Crystal)	Afghani	245,300	246,400	+0%
Hirat	Morphine	Iranian Tuman	7,469,000	7,349,000	-2%
	Off- white coarse powder (Crystal)	Iranian Tuman	4,400,000	4,400,000	+0%
	White powder - high quality (70-80% pure)	Iranian Tuman	10,490,000	10,060,000	-4%
	White powder - low quality (less than 50% pure)	Iranian Tuman	5,000,000	4,879,000	-2%
Kandahar	Morphine	Pakistani Rupee	205,000	206,000	+0%
	Off- white powder (Batan) - high quality	Pakistani Rupee	176,000	175,000	-1%
	Off- white powder (Batan) - low quality	Pakistani Rupee	118,000	115,000	-3%
	White powder (Crystal)	Pakistani Rupee	300,000	300,000	+0%
Nangarhar	Bist powder	Pakistani Rupee	120,000	130,000	+8%
	Chara # 1	Pakistani Rupee	7,000	10,000	+43%
	Chara # 2	Pakistani Rupee	5,000	8,000	+60%
	Khata # 1	Pakistani Rupee	6,000	9,000	+50%
	Khata # 2	Pakistani Rupee	4,000	7,000	+75%
	Off- white powder (Batan)	Pakistani Rupee	180,000	200,000	+11%
	White powder (Injection)	Pakistani Rupee	240,000	350,000	+46%
Takhar	Off- white powder (Crystal) - 60%	Pakistani Rupee	120000	162400	+35%

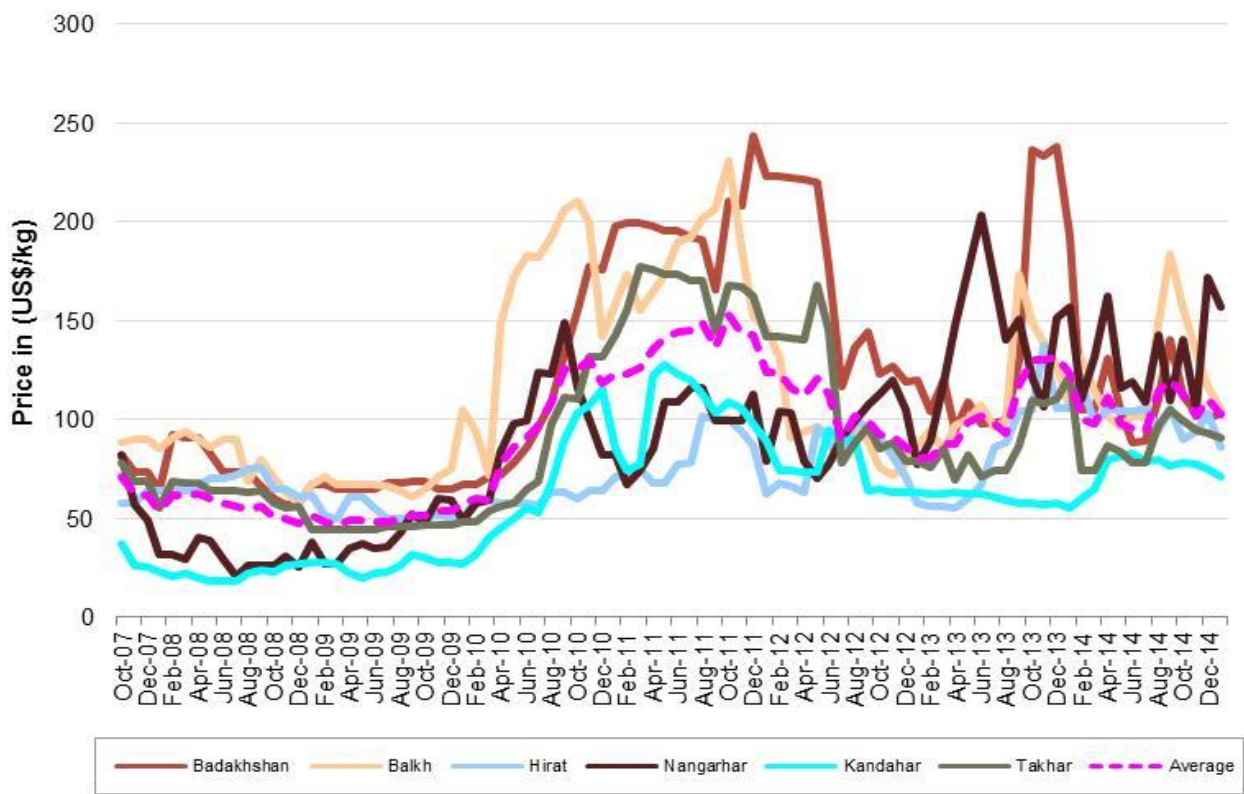
CANNABIS RESIN:

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. 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.

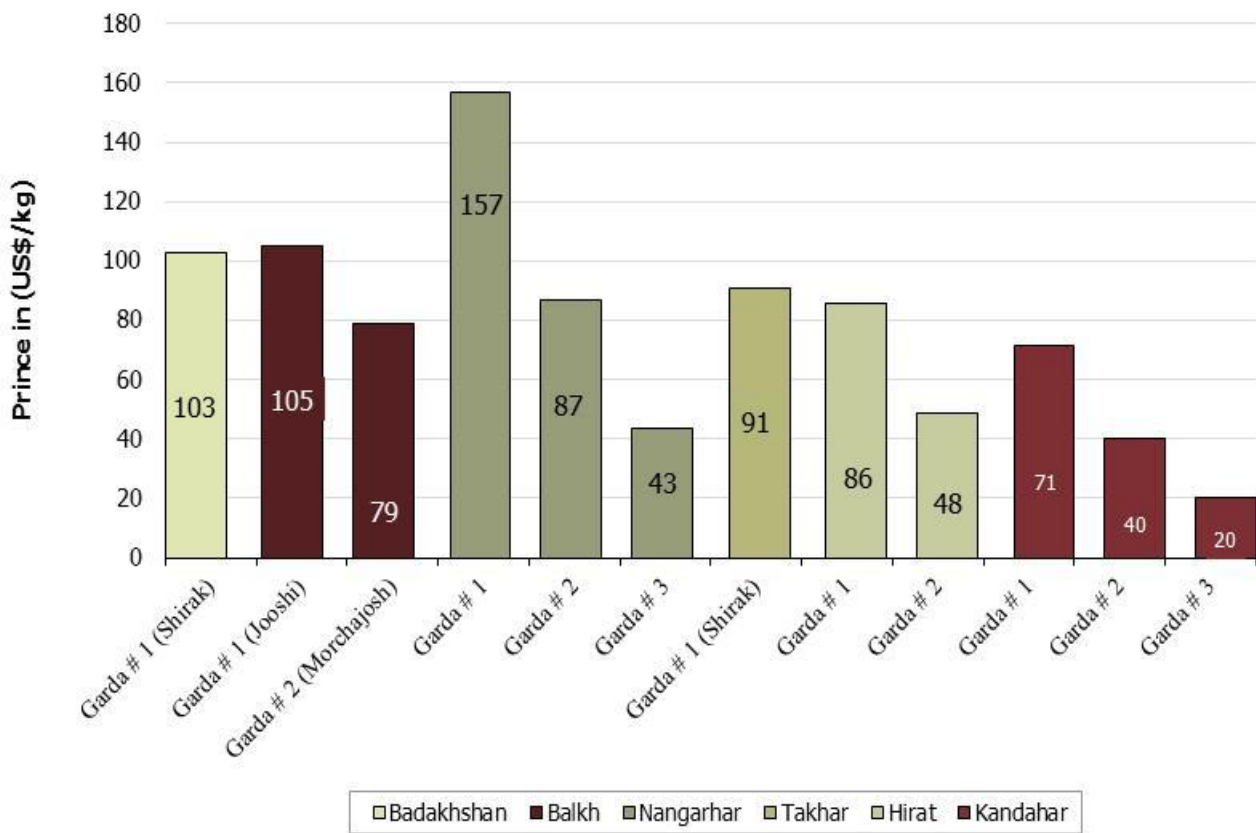
Table 9: Prices of different types of cannabis resin in Afghanistan, (US\$/kg), Jan 2014 – Jan 2015

Province	Types of cannabis resin	Jan-14	Feb-14	Mar-14	Apr-14	May-14	Jun-14	Jul-14	Aug-14	Sep-14	Oct-14	Nov-14	Dec-14	Jan-15	Change (Jan-Dec) %
Badakhshan	Garda # 1 (Shirak)	192	105	105	131	104	88	89	110	140	112	103	100	103	+3%
Balkh	Garda # 1 (Jooshi)	114	131	114	102	96	102	101	149	184	156	134	117	105	-10%
	Garda # 2 (Morchajosh)	88	96	87	79	73	97	94	105	140	121	103	90	79	-12%
Hirat	Garda # 1	106	120	98	106	104	104	106	95	106	90	94	103	86	-17%
	Garda # 2	53	67	58	53	61	60	53	61	66	47	48	55	48	-12%
Kandahar	Garda # 1	55	60	65	80	81	83	79	80	76	78	77	75	71	-5%
	Garda # 2	39	39	46	47	47	49	47	48	46	47	45	44	40	-9%
	Garda # 3	19	20	25	27	28	30	27	27	24	26	24	22	20	-9%
Nangarhar	Garda # 1	157	110	132	162	116	119	109	143	110	140	105	172	157	-9%
	Garda # 2	96	82	88	74	65	67	58	94	85	91	67	86	87	+1%
	Garda # 3	41	34	44	44	36	33	22	29	28	34	30	36	43	+21%
Takhar	Garda # 1 (Shirak)	122	74	74	87	84	78	78	97	105	99	95	93	91	-2%

Graph 5: Average⁶ price of cannabis resin (Garda # 1, best quality) in US\$/kg, Oct 2007–Jan 2015



Graph 6: Prices of different types of cannabis resin in Afghanistan, (US\$/kg), January 2015



⁶ Simple average of all observations

Table 10: Prices of 1 kilogram of different types of cannabis resin in Afghanistan in local currency, December 2014 - January 2015

			Prices of 1 kg of different types of cannabis resin in local currency		
Province	Types of cannabis resin	Local currency	Dec-14	Jan-15	Change (Jan-Dec) %
Badakhshan	Garda # 1 (Shirak)	Afghani	5,800	5,900	+2%
Balkh	Garda # 1 (Jooshi)	Afghani	6,800	6,000	-12%
	Garda # 2 (Morchajosh)	Afghani	5,200	4,500	-13%
Hirat	Garda # 1	Iranian Tuman	370,000	297,000	-20%
	Garda # 2	Iranian Tuman	197,500	168,000	-15%
Kandahar	Garda # 1	Pakistani Rupee	7,556	7,111	-6%
	Garda # 2	Pakistani Rupee	4,444	4,000	-10%
	Garda # 3	Pakistani Rupee	2,222	2,000	-10%
Nangarhar	Garda # 1	Pakistani Rupee	17,142	15,500	-10%
	Garda # 2	Pakistani Rupee	8,571	8,600	+0.3%
	Garda # 3	Pakistani Rupee	3,571	4,300	+20%
Takhar	Garda # 1 (Shirak)	Afghani	5,400	5,200	-4%

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, January 2015

Province	Types of crops	Price/Kg in Pakistani Rupee (PRs)	Price/Kg in Afghani (AFs)	Price/Kg in (US\$)
Badakhshan	Wheat	-	25	0.4
Badakhshan	Rice Imported	-	100	1.7
Badakhshan	Rice Local	-	50	0.9
Balkh	Wheat	-	18	0.3
Balkh	Cotton	-	40	0.7
Balkh	Rice Imported	-	80	1.4
Balkh	Rice Local	-	45	0.8
Hirat	Wheat	-	25	0.4
Hirat	Cotton	-	80	1.4
Hirat	Saffron	-	90,000	1,572
Hirat	Rice Imported	-	80	1.4
Hirat	Rice Local	-	70	1.2
Kandahar	Wheat	50	-	0.5
Kandahar	Cotton	200	-	2.0
Kandahar	Rice Imported	130	-	1.3
Nangarhar	Wheat	40	-	0.4
Nangarhar	Cotton	143	-	1.4
Nangarhar	Rice Imported	135	-	1.4
Nangarhar	Rice Local	43	-	0.4
Takhar	Wheat	-	22	0.4
Takhar	Rice Imported	-	90	1.6
Takhar	Rice Local	-	45	0.8

Table 12: Prices of wheat, cotton, saffron, imported and local rice in Afghanistan, (US\$/kg), January 2014 – January 2015

Types of crops	Jan-14	Feb-14	Mar-14	Apr-14	May-14	Jun-14	Jul-14	Aug-14	Sep-14	Oct-14	Nov-14	Dec-14	Jan-15	Increase/D decrease (%)
Wheat	0.41	0.38	0.40	0.41	0.39	0.38	0.38	0.39	0.39	0.50	0.42	0.45	0.41	-8%
Cotton	1.4	1.4	1.6	1.5	1.5	1.6	1.5	1.5	1.4	1.4	1.3	1.3	1.38	+3%
Saffron	1,405	1,307	1,397	1,404	1,564	1,589	1,600	1,581	1,577	1,560	1,381	1,379	1,572	+14%
Rice (Imported)	1.5	1.4	1.4	1.5	1.4	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.46	-1%
Rice (Local)	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.8	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.9	1.0	0.8	0.9	0.82	-6%

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, December 2014 - January 2015

Province	Types of seed	Local currency	Prices of 1 kg of cannabis seed and poppy seed in local currency		Change (Jan-Dec) (%)
			Dec-14	Jan-15	
Badakhshan	Poppy seed	Afghani	55	50	-9%
	Cannabis seed	Afghani	32	30	-6%
Baghlan	Poppy seed	Afghani	50	40	-20%
	Cannabis seed	afghani	15	15	+0%
Balkh	Poppy seed	Afghani	60	50	-17%
	Cannabis seed	Afghani	15	10	-33%
Farah	Poppy seed	Afghani	35	35	+0%
	Cannabis seed	Afghani	40	40	+0%
Faryab	Poppy seed	Afghani	100	80	-20%
	Cannabis seed	Afghani	20	15	-25%
Hilmand	Poppy seed	Afghani	36	33	-6%
	Cannabis seed	Afghani	22	22	+0%
Hirat	Poppy seed	Afghani	35	35	+0%
	Cannabis seed	Afghani	38	38	+0%
Kabul	Poppy seed	Afghani	18	15	-17%
Kandahar	Poppy seed	Afghani	37	33	-9%
	Cannabis seed	Afghani	22	22	+0%
Kapisa	Poppy seed	Afghani	11	10	-9%
Kunar	Poppy seed	Pakistani Ruppee	35	35	+0%
Laghman	Poppy seed	Pakistani Ruppee	43	43	+0%
Logar	Cannabis seed	Afghani	32	40	+25%
Nangarhar	Poppy seed	Pakistani Ruppee	35	35	+0%
	Cannabis seed	Pakistani Ruppee	14	14	+0%
Paktya	Cannabis seed	Afghani	20	23	+15%
Takhar	Poppy seed	Afghani	60	55	-8%
	Cannabis seed	Afghani	30	35	17%
Uruzgan	Poppy seed	Afghani	36	31	-13%
	Cannabis seed	Afghani	20	20	+0%
Zabul	Poppy seed	Afghani	38	33	-12%
	Cannabis seed	Afghani	22	20	-10%

Table 13: Prices of cannabis and poppy seeds in Afghanistan, (US\$/kg), Jan 2014 – Jan 2015

Types of seeds	Jan-14	Feb-14	Mar-14	Apr-14	May-14	Jun-14	Jul-14	Aug-14	Sep-14	Oct-14	Nov-14	Dec-14	Jan-15	Increase/Decrease (%)
Cannabis seed	0.34	0.37	0.37	0.39	0.40	0.43	0.44	0.46	0.42	0.43	0.43	0.41	0.42	+1%
Poppy seed	0.54	0.60	0.59	0.58	0.57	0.58	0.59	0.58	0.60	0.60	0.64	0.68	0.61	-11%

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), January 2015

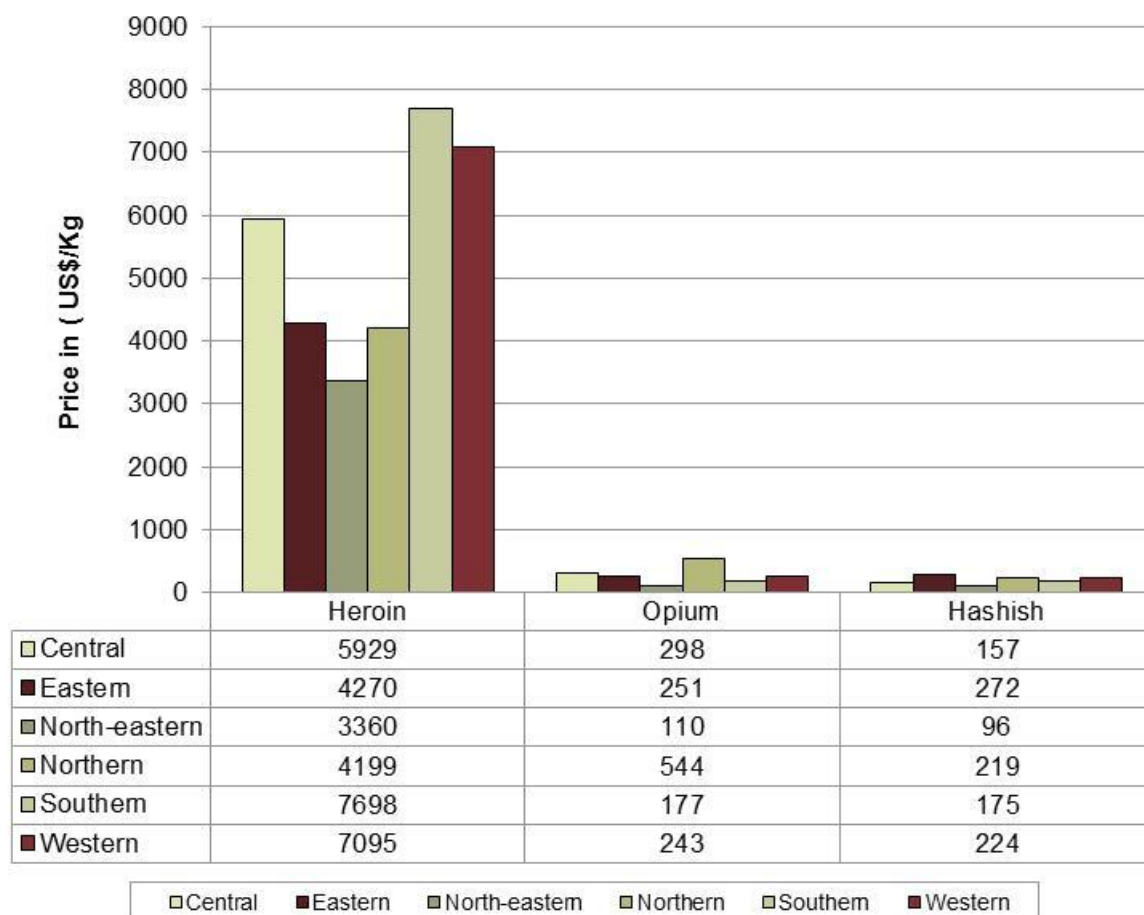


Table 15: Average⁸ prices of Heroin, Opium and Hashish at consumer level in Afghanistan, (US\$/kg), January 2014 – January 2015

Types of drug	Average prices in (US\$/kg)													Change (Jan-Dec) (%)
	Jan-14	Feb-14	Mar-14	Apr-14	May-14	Jun-14	Jul-14	Aug-14	Sep-14	Oct-14	Nov-14	Dec-14	Jan-15	
Heroin	4,718	5,389	5,538	5,277	5,246	5,236	5,120	4,940	5,029	5,000	5,159	5,331	5,244	-2%
Opium	323	427	336	329	292	283	286	292	292	270	258	267	270	+1%
Hashish	197	204	214	206	202	207	199	215	213	198	189	200	194	-3%

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	Jan-14	Feb-14	Mar-14	Apr-14	May-14	Jun-14	Jul-14	Aug-14	Sep-14	Oct-14	Nov-14	Dec-14	Jan-15	Change (Jan-Dec) %
Opium - Terra	267	264	289	290	286	248	241	235	235	233	258	257	248	-4%
Opium - Afghanistan	220	216	233	232	227	227	222	214	216	222	228	227	220	-3%
Opium - Tapa (adulterated)	177	173	191	185	185	186	182	175	167	168	184	182	179	-2%

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	Jan-14	Feb-14	Mar-14	Apr-14	May-14	Jun-14	Jul-14	Aug-14	Sep-14	Oct-14	Nov-14	Dec-14	Jan-15	Change (Jan-Dec) %
Heroin - White (Injection)	2,864	2,925	3,204	3,290	3,369	3,461	3,377	3,380	3,531	3,741	3,675	3,757	3,274	-13%
Heroin - Yellow (Batan)	2,673	2,733	2,997	3,085	3,165	3,254	3,195	3,182	3,335	3,544	3,476	3,556	3,075	-14%
Heroin - Saada (Ordinary)	1,623	1,650	1,798	1,799	1,837	1,911	1,846	1,839	1,913	1,969	1,986	2,054	1,935	-6%

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):

Types of hashish	Jan-14	Feb-14	Mar-14	Apr-14	May-14	Jun-14	Jul-14	Aug-14	Sep-14	Oct-14	Nov-14	Dec-14	Jan-15	Change (Jan-Dec) %
Hashish - Garda # 1	535	547	594	596	612	620	619	636	638	650	656	656	645	-2%
Hashish - Garda # 2	449	446	486	483	490	506	502	497	510	522	526	526	516	-2%
Hashish - Garda # 3	372	379	408	401	393	403	401	388	392	414	397	404	397	-2%

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

		Price in (Pakistani Rupee)/kg	
Types of drugs	Dec-14	Jan-15	Change (Jan-Dec) %
Opium -Afghanistan	22,650	22,150	-2%
Opium -Tapa (Adulterated)	18,200	18,000	-1%
Opium -Terra	25,700	25,000	-3%
Heroin -White (Injection)	375,000	330,000	-12%
Heroin -Yellow (Batan)	355,000	310,000	-13%
Heroin -Saada (Ordinary)	205,000	195,000	-5%
Hashish -Garda # 1	65,500	65,000	-1%
Hashish -Garda # 2	52,500	52,000	-1%
Hashish -Garda # 3	40,300	40,000	-1%

B. QUETTA

OPIUM:

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

Quality of opium	Jan-14	Feb-14	Mar-14	Apr-14	May-14	Jun-14	Jul-14	Aug-14	Sep-14	Oct-14	Nov-14	Dec-14	Jan-15	Change (Jan-Dec) %
High quality	334	336	360	388	367	364	355	358	343	374	399	448	462	+3%
Medium quality	267	254	267	276	265	260	254	259	255	276	289	319	342	+7%
Low quality	210	211	226	235	224	229	203	199	206	217	230	249	281	+13%

HEROIN:

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

Quality of heroin	Jan-14	Feb-14	Mar-14	Apr-14	May-14	Jun-14	Jul-14	Aug-14	Sep-14	Oct-14	Nov-14	Dec-14	Jan-15	Change (Jan-Dec) %
High quality (Crystal)	3,628	3,453	3,599	3,673	3,571	3,641	3,398	3,484	3,482	3,643	3,843	4,133	4,322	+5%
Medium quality	2,864	2,877	3,085	3,061	3,061	2,913	2,789	2,737	2,698	2,757	2,795	2,988	3,266	+9%
Low quality	1,671	1,678	1,799	1,837	1,786	1,664	1,521	1,593	1,570	1,723	1,797	2,092	2,261	+8%

HASHISH:

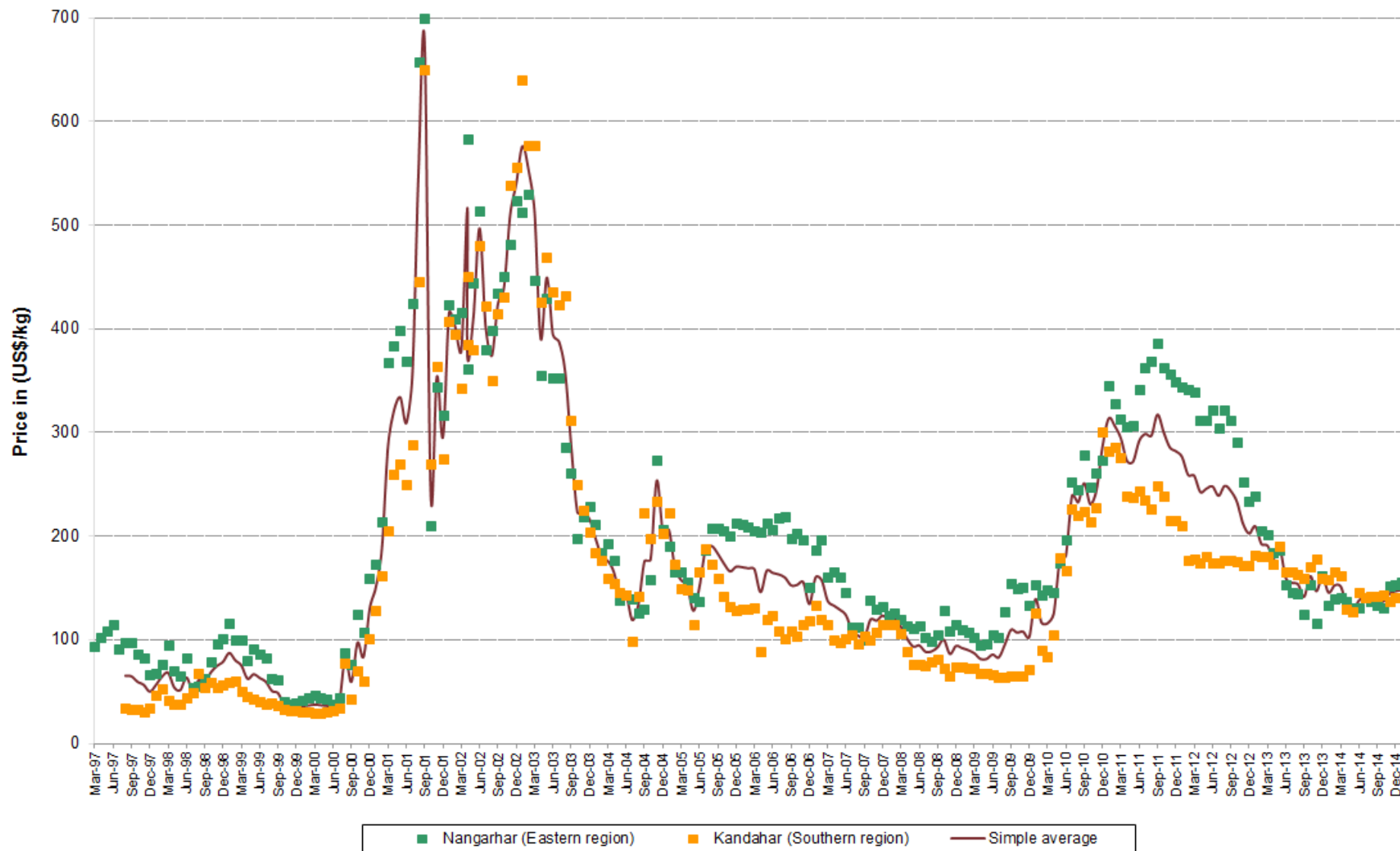
Table 20: Prices of different quality of Hashish in Quetta, Pakistan in (US\$/Kg):

Quality of hashish	Jan-14	Feb-14	Mar-14	Apr-14	May-14	Jun-14	Jul-14	Aug-14	Sep-14	Oct-14	Nov-14	Dec-14	Jan-15	Change (Jan-Dec) %
High quality	535	537	566	612	612	624	588	597	589	640	659	697	754	+8%
Medium quality	458	432	463	490	510	520	507	498	490	512	529	548	603	+10%

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

		Price in (Pakistani Rupee)/kg	
Types of drugs	Dec-14	Jan-15	Change (Jan-Dec) %
Opium -High quality	45,000	46,000	+2%
Opium -Medium quality	32,000	34,000	+6%
Opium -Low quality	25,000	28,000	+12%
Heroin -High quality (Crystal)	415,000	430,000	+4%
Heroin -Medium quality	300,000	325,000	+8%
Heroin -Low quality	210,000	225,000	+7%
Hashish -High quality	70,000	75,000	+7%
Hashish -Medium quality	55,000	60,000	+9%

Graph 8: Average price of dry opium collected from traders in Nangarhar and Kandahar provinces (US\$/Kg), Mar 1997 – Jan 2015



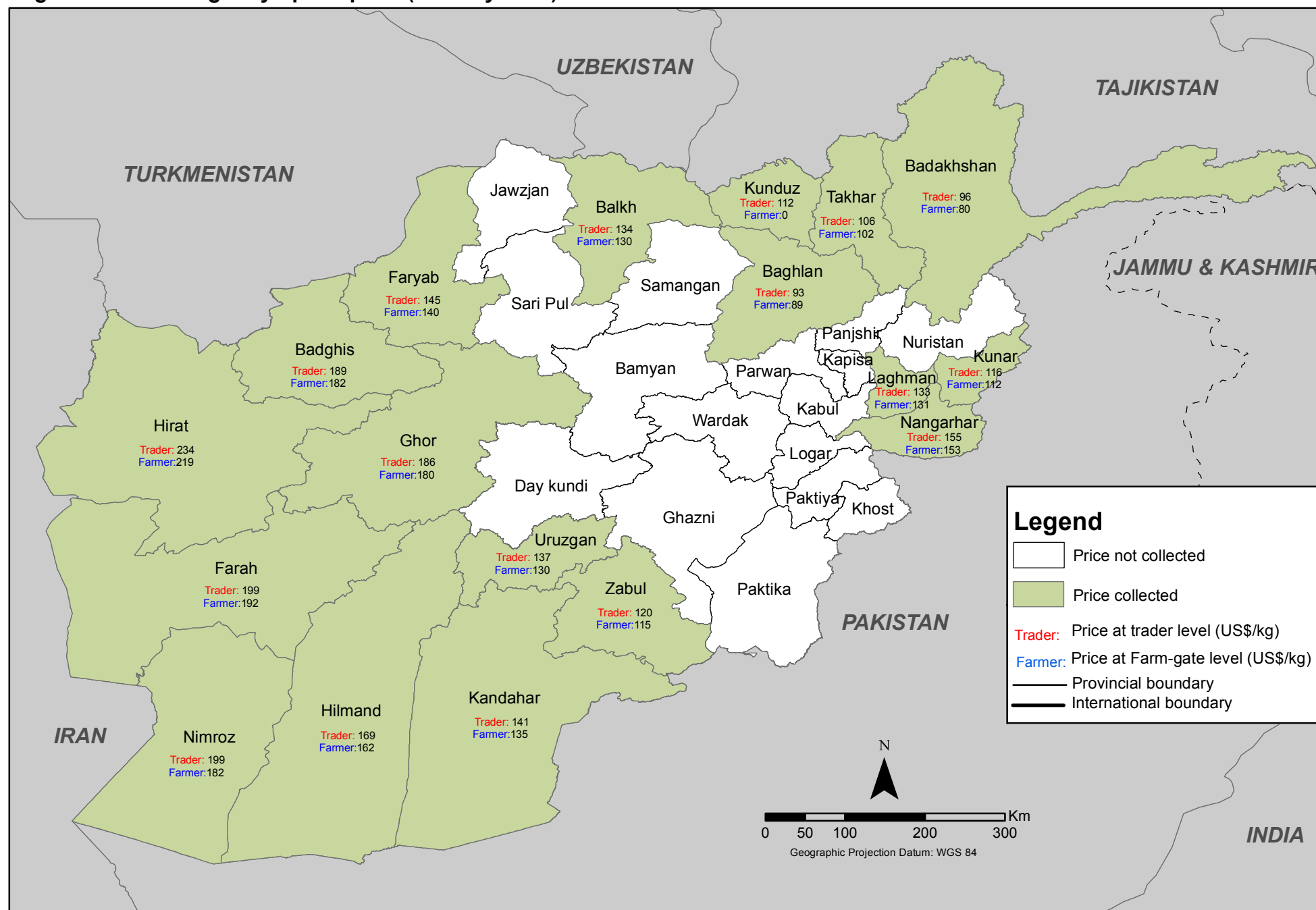
Methodology

- 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 observations (n)		Number of provinces price collected
	Farm-gate price	Trader price	
Dry Opium	177	178	18
Fresh Opium	114	114	15

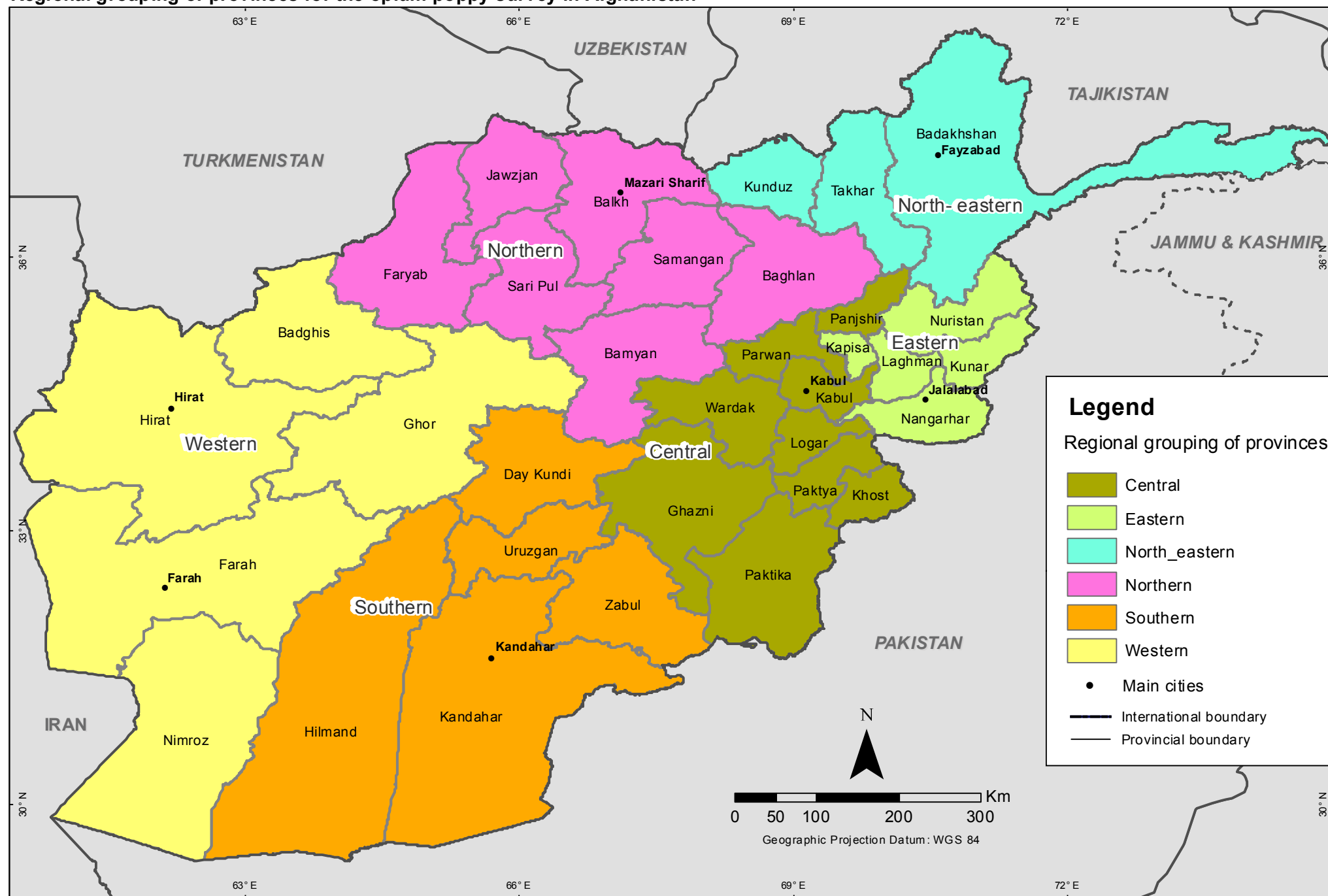
Afghanistan: Average dry opium price (January 2015)



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

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Regional grouping of provinces for the opium poppy survey in Afghanistan



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