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1. Key Findings

1.1. Trends of Drug prices

Table1: Summary of Drug Prices

Types of drug		By Month		By Year				
Types of drug	March_2024	April_2024	Change %	April_2023	April_2024	Change %		
Dry opium Farm-gate price (US\$/Kg)	818	837	+2%	315	837	+166%		
Dry opium Trader price (US\$/Kg)	833	851	+2%	333	851	+155%		
Fresh Opium Farm-gate price (US\$/Kg)	553	570	+3%	195	570	+193%		
Fresh Opium Trader price (US\$/Kg)	568	579	+2%	201	579	+188%		
Heroin Batan_100 (US\$/Kg)	11000	-	-	-	-	-		
Heroin White powder (Crystal) - 60% (US\$/Kg)	7594	7768	+2%	3564	7768	+118%		
Heroin White powder (Crystal) - 40% (US\$/Kg)	6366	6166	-3%	2788	6166	+121%		
Morphine (US\$/Kg)	6403	6324	-1%	2577	6324	+145%		
Cannabis resin (Garda # 1) Price in (US\$/Kg)	192	205	+7%	106	205	+94%		
Cannabis resin (Garda # 2) Price in (US\$/Kg)	127	138	+9%	77	138	+78%		
Cannabis resin (Garda # 3) Price in (US\$/Kg)	114	126	+10%	56	126	+126%		
Methamphetamine (Imported) (US\$/Gram)	2.14	2.14	0%	0.86	2.14	+149%		
Methamphetamine (Local) (US\$/Gram)	1.35	1.40	+3%	1.5	1.40	-5%		
Sosegon (Imported) (US\$/Ampoule)	1.39	1.39	0%	0.95	1.39	+46%		
Sosegon (Local) (US\$/Ampoule)	0.79	0.79	0%	0.61	0.79	+31%		
MDMA (Tablet -K) A (US\$/Tablet)	15.0	15.5	+3%	14.3	15.5	+9%		
MDMA (Tablet -K) B (US\$/Tablet)	10.0	8.9	-11%	7.2	8.9	+24%		
MDMA (Tablet -K) C (US\$/Tablet)	6.8	7	+1%	6.9	7	-1%		
MDMA (Tablet -K) D (US\$/Tablet)	3.40	3.49	+3%	3.2	3.49	+8%		



2. Introduction

The Afghanistan drug price-monitoring report is implemented by the Narcotics Survey & Analysis Directorate. The monitoring of drug prices is carried out in selected provinces of Afghanistan since 1995. Opium price collected from 75 provinces in April 2024. The results provide a detailed picture of the prices of opiates on a monthly basis. The price of the opiates contributes towards understanding the opiate economy in Afghanistan and published in the Afghanistan opium survey reports annually. The price monitoring includes major licit crops, precursor-chemicals, illicit crops and Synthetic drugs which are included in the report since October 2019. And from the September 2023 on, the price of Ephedra plant, which is used in Methamphetamine production, is also used in this report. On the last page, the methodology section explained the method, that we prepared this report.



3. Opium

3.1 Dry opium

3.1.1 Farm-gate price

The national average price for one kilogram of dry opium in Afghanistan at the farm-gate level was (US\$ 837/kg) at the end of April 2024, which is 2% higher compared to the price reported in March 2024 (US\$ 818/kg). The average dry opium price at the farm-gate level in April 2024 is 166% higher than the price reported in April 2023, which was (US\$ 315/kg).

Figure 1: National average price of dry opium at farm-gate level from (June 2004 - April 2024)



Table 2: Regional average farm-gate price of dry opium US\$/Kg (March 2024 to April 2024)

Region	Price of Dry (US\$/)	Price	
	Mar-24	Apr-24	change (%)
Eastern region (Kunar, Laghman and Nangarhar)	1167	1192	+2%
Southern region (Hilmand, Kandahar, Uruzgan, Zabul and diykundy)	723	717	-1%
Western region (Badghis, Farah, Ghor, Hirat and Nimroz)	848	914	+8%
North-eastern region (Badakhshan, Kunduz and Takhar)	673	675	+0.3%
Northern region (Baghlan, Balkh, Faryab, Sur-Pul, Jawzjan and Samangan)	631	638	+1%
Central region (Kabul, Ghazni and Kapisa)	881	901	+2%
Average	818	837	+2%

3.1.2 Trader Price

The national average dry opium price collected from traders was (US\$ 851/kg) at the end of April 2024, showing 2% increase compared to the price reported last month in March 2024 (US\$ 833/kg). The average dry opium price at trader level in April 2024 is 155% higher than the price reported last year in April 2023, which was (US\$ 333/kg).

The dry opium price collected from traders has increased by 5%, 2%, 2%, and 1% in the Western, Eastern, North-eastern, and Northern regions respectively. The price has decreased by 1% in the Southern region.

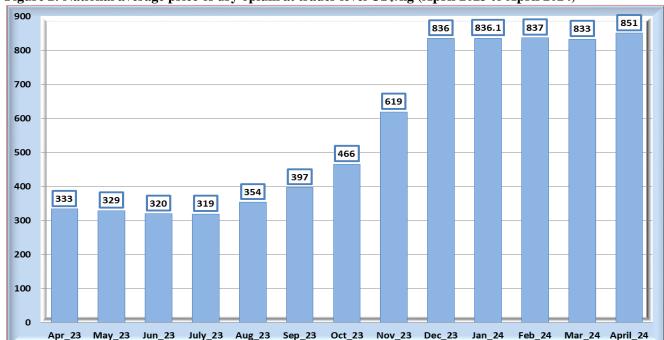


Figure 2: National average price of dry opium at trader level US\$/kg (April 2023 to April 2024)

Table 3: Regional average price of dry opium from traders US\$/Kg (March 2024 to April 2024)

Region	Price of Dry (US\$/)	Price	
	Mar-24	Apr-24	change (%)
Eastern region (Kunar, Laghman and Nangarhar)	1170	1195	+2%
Southern region (Hilmand, Kandahar, Uruzgan, Zabul and diykundy)	727	723	-1%
Western region (Badghis, Farah, Ghor, Hirat and Nimroz)	883	927	+5%
North-eastern region (Badakhshan, Kunduz and Takhar)	703	714	+2%
Northern region (Baghlan, Balkh, Faryab, Sur-Pul, Jawzjan and Samangan)	639	644	+1%
Central region (Kabul, Ghazni and Kapisa)	-	-	-
Average	833	851	+2%

3.2. Dry Opium (Chaynaki Quality)

3.2.1. Farm-gate price

From the point of view of quality, the price of dry opium has not changed in different regions. In Balkh and Hilmand provinces, another quality of dry opium by the name of *Chaynaki* is available at the farm-gate and trader level. The *Chaynaki* quality of dry opium is more air-dried than other varieties. The average price of one kilogram of *Chaynaki* dry opium at the farm-gate level in Balkh province was (US\$ 940/kg) in April 2024, showing an increase of 4% compared to the price reported in March 2024 (US\$ 907/kg). The average price of one kilogram of Chaynaki dry opium at the farm-gate level in Hilmand province was (US\$ 997/kg) in April 2024, showing a decrease of 1% compared to the price reported in March 2024 (US\$ 1005/kg).

Table 4: Average price of dry opium (Chaynaki quality) at farm-gate level (US\$/Kg)

Dry Opium (Chaynaki quality)	Ва	lkh	Price change (Apr-Mar) %	Hiln	nand	Price change (Apr-Mar) %
(Спаупакт quanty)	Mar-24	Apr-24	(Apr-Mar) 70	Mar-24	Apr-24	(Apr-war) 70
Farm-gate price (US\$/Kg)	907	940	+4%	1005	997	-1%

3.2.2. Trader price

In Balkh province, the average price of one kilogram of *Chaynaki* dry opium at trader level was (US\$ 946/kg) in April 2024, showing an increase of 4% compared to the price reported in March 2024 (US\$ 913/kg). In Hilmand province, the average price of one kilogram of Chaynaki dry opium at trader level was (US\$ 1001/kg) in April 2024, showing a decrease of 1% compared to the price reported in March 2024 (US\$ 1009/kg).

Table 5: Average price of dry opium (Chaynaki quality) at trader level (US\$/Kg)

Dry Opium	Balkh		Price change	Hiln	nand	Price change
(Chaynaki quality)	Mar-24	Apr-24	(Apr-Mar) %	Mar-24	Apr-24	(Apr-Mar) %
Trader price (US\$/Kg)	913	946	+4%	1009	1001	-1%

Table 6: Regional average price of dry opium at farm-gate and trader level in other than USD Currency

		Price	of 1 kg of Dry	urrency	change at	Change at	
Region	Local currency	Mar-	-24	Ap	r-24	farm-gate lavel (Apr-Mar)	trader lavel (Apr-Mar)
		Farm-gate	Trader	Farm-gate	Trader	(%)	(%)
Eastern region (Kunar, Laghman and Anngarhar)	Pakistani Rupee	324295	325153	330596	331453	+2%	+2%
Southern region (Hilmand, Kandahar, Uruzgan and Zabul and diykundi)	Pakistani Rupee	201004	201971	199462	201075	-1%	-0.4%
Western region (Badghis and Ghor) *	Afghani	50467	54056	57833	58722	+15%	+9%
Western region (Farah, Hirat and Nimroz) *	Irnanian Tuman	49000812	49761620	49889564	55087254	+2%	+11%
North-eastern region (Badakhshan, Kunduz and Takhar)	Afghani	47268	49382	48011	50833	+2%	+3%
Northern region (Baghlan, Balkh, Faryab, Suri-Pul, Jawzjan and Samangan)	Afghani	46681	47268	48073	48540	+3%	+3%
Central region (Kabul, Ghazni and Kapisa)	Afghani	62083	-	64000	-	+3%	-

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

3.3 Fresh Opium

At the end of April 2024, the national average price of fresh opium increased by 3% from (US\$ 553/kg) in March 2024 to (US\$ 570/kg) in April 2024 at the farm-gate level. Similarly, the national average price of fresh opium at trader level increased by 2% from (US\$ 568/kg) in March 2024 to (US\$ 579/kg) in April 2024.

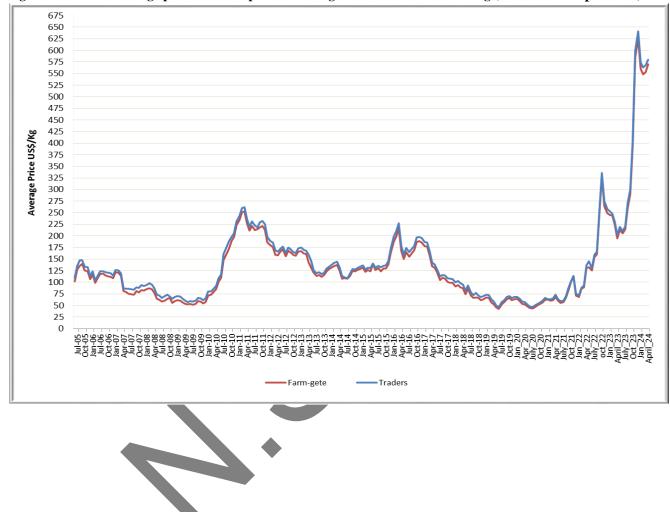


Figure 3: National average price of fresh opium at farm-gate and trader level US\$/kg (June 2005 to April 2024)

Table 7: Regional average price of fresh opium at farm-gate and trader level in other than USD currency

		Price o	f 1 kg of Fresh	Opium in local	currency	change at	Change at
Region	Local currency	Mar-	24	Ap	r-24	farm-gate lavel (Apr-Mar)	trader lavel (Apr-Mar)
		Farm-gate	Trader	Farm-gate	Trader	(%)	(%)
Eastern region (Kunar, Laghman and Nangarhar)	Pakistani Rupee	-	-	-	-	-	-
Southern region (Hilmand, Kandahar, Uruzgan and Zabul and diykundi)	Pakistani Rupee	134246	136165	133356	135197	-1%	-1%
Western region (Badghis and Ghor) *	Afghani	37921	41394	45893	49429	+21%	+19%
Western region (Farah, Hirat and Nimroz) *	Irnanian Tuman	33052473	34332975	35409263	36223771	+7%	+6%
North-eastern region (Badakhshan, Kunduz and Takhar)	Afghani	-	-	-	-	-	-
Northern region (Baghlan, Balkh, Faryab, Suri-Pul, Jawzjan and Samangan)	Afghani	39685	40100	40331	40823	+2%	+2%
Central region (Kabul, Ghazni and Kapisa)	Afghani	61100	-	63000	-	+3%	-

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

4. Heroin

There are several types of heroin available in Afghanistan with different qualities. The prices off-white powder (Batan) in Nangarhar province, white powder (Batan) high and low quality in Kandahar, Helmand, Balkh and Faryab Provinces, Batan 100% and white powder (Crystal)-60% in Badakhshan, Takhar and Kunduz provinces and white powder (Crystal)-60%, white powder (Crystal)-40%, Morphine and best powder in Hirat, Farah, Nimroz and Badghis provinces are the most expensive heroin reported in Afghanistan. The cheapest heroin (US\$ 281/kg) is called as Khata - 2 reported in Nangarhar province.

Table 8: Prices of different types of heroin in Afghanistan (US\$/kg), April 2023-April 2024

Provinces	Types of heroin	Apr-23	May-23	Jun-23	Jul-23	Aug-23	Sep-23	Oct-23	Nov-23	Dec-23	Jan-24	Feb-24	Mar-24	Apr-24	Change (Apr-Mar) %
	Batan (100)	-	-	-	-	-	_	-	-	-	-	-	11,000	-	-
Badakhshan	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	3,983	3,890	4,043	4,079	4,201	4,823	4,547	4,932	9,634	10,313	9,538	9,534	11,122	+17%
	Batan (100)	-	_	-	-	_	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	_
Takhar	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	4,158	4,299	4,245	4,278	4,294	4,873	4,749	5,036	10,141	11,787	10,040	10,072	10,100	+0.3%
	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	2,577	2,149	2,021	2,089	2,173	2,386	2,223	2,365	7,876	8,735	8,032	8,057	8,082	+0.3%
Kunduz	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	4,100	4,504	4,346	4,378	4,481	5,178	4,901	5,242	11,140	12,734	10,542	10,575	9,823	-7%
	Off- white powder (Batan)	1,073	1,132	1,139	1,147	1,109	1,148	1,218	1,467	5,653	6,334	6,387	8,202	8,574	+5%
	Bist powder	568	566	569	575	558	577	620	771	5,236	5,473	5,518	7,015	7,409	+6%
	Chara # 1	71	73	75	77	75	80	88	148	838	1,242	1,270	1,331	1,435	+8%
Nangarhar	Chara # 2	57	59	62	63	61	64	74	103	642	700	583	630	681	+8%
	Khata # 1	52	52	54	55	53	56.4	63.1	95	178	287	322	342	386	+13%
	Khata # 2	37	40	41	43	42	44	49	81	143	201	233	252	281	+12%
	Off- white powder (Batan) - high quality-60%	3,756	3,678	3,844	2,664	4,018	4,327	4,653	5,715	5,740	5,571	5,816	6,271	6,761	+8%
Faryab	Off- white powder (Batan) - low quality-40%	2,934	2,857	2,957	2,959	3,092	3,349	3,682	4,103	4,121	4,248	4,431	4,703	5,071	+8%
	Off- white powder (Batan) - high quality-60%	3,515	3,437	3,643	3,650	3,847	4,147	4,519	5,423	5,593	5,555	5,962	6,263	6,604	+5%
Balkh	Off- white powder (Batan) - low quality-40%	2,519	2,447	2,543	2,543	2,654	2,962	3,305	3,884	4,097	4,097	4,506	4,982	5,340	+7%
	Bist powder 20%	1,172	1,142	1,230	1,236	1,339	1,597	1,780	2,081	2,179	2,222	2,496	2,705	2,810	+4%
	Off- white powder (Batan) - high quality	2,794	2,796	2,792	2,798	3,685	3,929	4,226	7,247	6,638	5,949	5,957	6,118	5,942	-3%
	Off- white powder (Batan) - low quality	2,617	2,656	2,653	2,728	3,350	3,758	4,081	7,000	6,424	5,734	5,742	5,974	5,762	-4%
Helmand	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	4,208	4,368	4,293	4,547	6,700	6,970	7,440	10,905	10,456	8,709	8,721	8,277	8,102	-2%
	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	4,067	4,123	4,119	4,268	6,097	6,355	6,790	10,535	10,242	8,852	8,864	8,457	8,282	-2%
	Morphine	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		-	-	-	-	-
	Off- white powder (Batan) - high quality	2,794	2,761	2,758	2,763	3,618	3,758	4,081	7,282	6,638	5,949	5,957	6,082	5,942	-2%
	Off- white powder (Batan) - low quality	2,652	2,621	2,618	2,624	3,250	3,553	3,828	7,035	6,424	5,734	5,742	5,830	5,762	-1%
Kandahar	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	3,890	4,228	4,258	4,477	6,700	6,901	7,368	10,905	10,349	8,601	8,613	8,349	8,354	+0.1%
	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	3,678	3,914	4,049	4,198	6,030	6,491	6,934	10,570	10,099	8,709	8,721	8,457	8,210	-3%
	Morphine	-	_	-	-	_	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	_
Badghis	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	1,991	1,841	2,010	2,060	2,191	2,252	2,422	2,640	2,752	3,438	3,988	4,098	4,005	-2%
	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	3,280	3,087	3,055	2,985	3,104	3,710	4,845	4,841	6,954	6,876	6,896	7,256	7,237	-0.3%
	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	1,757	1,864	2,468	2,341	2,678	3,020	3,668	5,134	6,084	6,034	6,038	6,047	6,324	+5%
Hirat	Bist powder	-	_	3,290	3,277	3,469	3,840	4,429	5,354	7,968	7,858	7,963	8,537	7,940	-7%
	Morphine	-	2,738	3,114	3,043	3,165	3,384	3,599	3,814	5,940	5,823	-	-	-	_
	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	3,010	3,029	2,938	2,985	3,408	3,775	4,637	5,721	7,823	7,717	6,924	6,972	7,870	+13%
Farah	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	3,303	3,495	3,173	3,195	3,651	3,983	5,122	6,161	8,692	9,121	8,690	8,893	6,464	-27%
	Morphine	2,636	2,679	2,350	2,376	3,104	3,319	4,429	5,427	6,084	7,016	6,301	6,403	6,324	-1%
	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	3,280	2,932	2,409	2,751	2,775	3,020	3,211	3,814	4,418	4,420	4,099	5,357	5,354	-0.1%
	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	2,577	2,563	1,998	2,282	2,215	2,689	2,860	3,227	3,549	3,508	3,462	4,524	4,521	-0.1%
Nimruz	Bist powder	-	4,077	3,643	3,804	3,773	3,840	4,083	5,134	5,795	6,314	6,190	-	-	-
	Morphine	2,518	4,427	3,996	.,	.,		-		.,		.,			_

Heroin is an opioid drug made from morphine, a natural substance taken from the seed pod of the various opium poppy plants grown in Southeast and Southwest Asia, Mexico, and Colombia. Heroin can be a white or brown powder, or a black sticky substance known as black tar heroin. Other common names for heroin include big H, horse, hell

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dust, and smack.

Table 9: Prices of 1 kilogram of different types of heroin in currencies other than USD

Province	es of 1 kilogram of different types of h	Local currency	Prices of 1 k	g of different roin in local rency	Change (Apr-Mar)
			Mar-24	Apr-24	70
Badakhshan	Batan (100)	Afghani	774,793	-	-
- Duduidisiidii	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	Afghani	671,531	787,964	+17%
	Batan (100)	Afghani	-	-	-
Takhar	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	Afghani	706,875	718,697	+2%
T7 1	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	Afghani	565,500	575,114	+2%
Kunduz	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	Afghani	742,219	700,000	-6%
	Off- white powder (Batan)	Pakistani Rupee	2,280,000	2,378,000	+4%
	Bist powder Chara # 1	Pakistani Rupee	1,950,000	2,055,000	+5%
Nangarhar	Chara # 1 Chara # 2	Pakistani Rupee Pakistani Rupee	370,000 175,000	398,000 189,000	+8% +8%
	Khata # 1	Pakistani Rupee	95,000	107,000	+13%
	Khata # 2	Pakistani Rupee	70.000	78,000	+11%
	Off- white powder (Batan) - high quality -60%	Afghani	440,000	480.040	+9%
Faryab	Off- white powder (Batan) - low quality -40%	Afghani	330,000	360,000	+9%
	Off- white powder (Batan) - high quality -60%	Afghani	440,000	470,000	+7%
Balkh	Off- white powder (Batan) - low quality -40%	Afghani	350,000	380,000	+9%
	Bist powder - 20%	Afghani	190,000	200,000	+5%
	Off- white powder (Batan) - high quality	Pakistani Rupee	1,700,000	1,650,000	-3%
	Off- white powder (Batan) - low quality	Pakistani Rupee	1,660,000	1,600,000	-4%
Helmand	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	Pakistani Rupee	2,300,000	2,250,000	-2%
	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	Pakistani Rupee	2,350,000	2,300,000	-2%
	Morphine	Pakistani Rupee	-	-	-
	Off- white powder (Batan) - high quality	Pakistani Rupee	1,690,000	1,650,000	-2%
	Off- white powder (Batan) - low quality	Pakistani Rupee	1,620,000	1,600,000	-1%
Kandahar	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	Pakistani Rupee	2,320,000	2,320,000	0%
	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	Pakistani Rupee	2,350,000	2,280,000	-3%
	Morphine	Pakistani Rupee	-	-	-
Badghis	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	Afghani	288,000	285,000	-1%
	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	Afghani	510,000	515,000	+1%
Hirat	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	Afghani	425,000	450,000	+6%
Hirat	Bist powder	Afgháni	600,000	565,000	-6%
	Morphine	Afghani	-	-	-
	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	Afghani	625,000	560,000	-10%
Farah	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	Afghani	490,000	460,000	-6%
	Morphine	Afghani	450000	450000	0%
	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	Afghani	376513.9286	380977	+1%
Nimruz	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	Afghani	317945.0952	321714	+1%
1 11111 (12)	Bist powder	Afghani	-	-	-
	Morphine	Afghani	_	-	-

5. Synthetic Drugs

Synthetic drugs are a dangerous chemical and it has intensive effects on health, and after a long time it makes consumer addicted, and can be potentially life threatening. Primary users, of these synthetic drugs are youths in Afghanistan; because products are cheap and easily accessible to teenagers everywhere, at stores, smoke shops and party ceremonies.

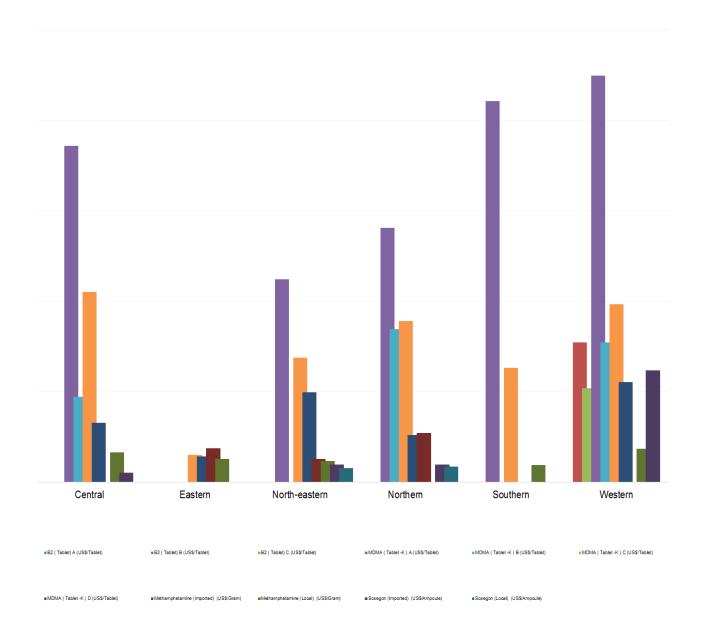
Synthetic drugs, could be addictive and creates a serious threat on the health of every one in daily life. Methamphetamine, Tablet K and Sosegon are available in Afghanistan, which Methamphetamine is sold in various names in Afghanistan. And Sheesha is the common name for Methamphetamine, for details of its cheap price and accessible for youth.

¹Methamphetamine is a powerful, highly addictive stimulant that affects the central nervous system. Also known as meth, blue, ice, and crystal, among many other terms, it takes the form of a white, odorless, bitter-tasting crystalline powder that easily dissolves in water or alcohol.

Table 10: Prices of all types of Synthetic Drugs in (US\$/UNIT)

Region	Types of Synthetic Drugs	Apr-24
	Methamphetamine (Imported) (US\$/Gram)	-
	Methamphetamine (Local) (US\$/Gram)	1.7
	Sosegon (Imported) (US\$/Ampoule)	0.5
G . 1	Sosegon (Local) (US\$/Ampoule)	-
Central	MDMA (Tablet -K) A (US\$/Tablet)	18.6
	MDMA (Tablet -K) B (US\$/Tablet)	4.7
	MDMA (Tablet -K) C (US\$/Tablet)	10.5
	MDMA (Tablet -K) D (US\$/Tablet)	3.3
	Methamphetamine (Imported) (US\$/Gram)	1.9
	Methamphetamine (Local) (US\$/Gram)	1.3
	Sosegon (Imported) (US\$/Ampoule)	-
-	Sosegon (Local) (US\$/Ampoule)	-
Eastern	MDMA (Tablet -K) A (US\$/Tablet)	-
	MDMA (Tablet -K) B (US\$/Tablet)	-
	MDMA (Tablet -K) C (US\$/Tablet)	1.5
	MDMA (Tablet -K) D (US\$/Tablet)	1.4
	Methamphetamine (Imported) (US\$/Gram)	1.3
	Methamphetamine (Local) (US\$/Gram)	1.2
	Sosegon (Imported) (US\$/Ampoule)	1.0
North-eastern	Sosegon (Local) (US\$/Ampoule)	0.8
	MDMA (Tablet -K) A (US\$/Tablet)	11.2
	MDMA (Tablet -K) C (US\$/Tablet)	6.9
	MDMA (Tablet -K) D (US\$/Tablet)	5.0
	Methamphetamine (Imported) (US\$/Gram)	2.7
	Methamphetamine (Local) (US\$/Gram)	-
	Sosegon (Imported) (US\$/Ampoule)	1.0
Northern	Sosegon (Local) (US\$/Ampoule)	0.8
Northern	MDMA (Tablet -K) A (US\$/Tablet) MDMA (Tablet -K) B (US\$/Tablet)	8.5
	MDMA (Tablet -K) B (US\$/Tablet) MDMA (Tablet -K) C (US\$/Tablet)	8.9
	MDMA (Tablet -K) D (US\$/Tablet)	2.6
	B2 (Tablet) A (US\$/Tablet)	-
	Methamphetamine (Imported) (US\$/Gram)	-
	Methamphetamine (Local) (US\$/Gram)	0.9
	Sosegon (Imported) (US\$/Ampoule)	-
	Sosegon (Local) (US\$/Ampoule)	-
	MDMA (Tablet -K) A (US\$/Tablet)	21.1
Southern	MDMA (Tablet -K) B (US\$/Tablet)	-
	MDMA (Tablet -K) C (US\$/Tablet)	6.3
	MDMA (Tablet -K) D (US\$/Tablet)	-
	B2 (Tablet) A (US\$/Tablet)	-
	B2 (Tablet) B (US\$/Tablet)	-
	B2 (Tablet) C (US\$/Tablet)	-
	Methamphetamine (Imported) (US\$/Gram)	-
	Methamphetamine (Local) (US\$/Gram)	1.8
	Sosegon (Imported) (US\$/Ampoule)	6.2
	Sosegon (Local) (US\$/Ampoule)	-
****	MDMA (Tablet -K) A (US\$/Tablet)	22.5
Western	MDMA (Tablet -K) B (US\$/Tablet)	7.7
	MDMA (Tablet -K) C (US\$/Tablet)	9.8
	MDMA (Tablet -K) D (US\$/Tablet)	5.5
	B2 (Tablet) A (US\$/Tablet)	- 77
	B2 (Tablet) B (US\$/Tablet)	7.7
	B2 (Tablet) C (US\$/Tablet)	5.2

Figure 4: Types of Synthetic Drugs in US Dollar- April 2024



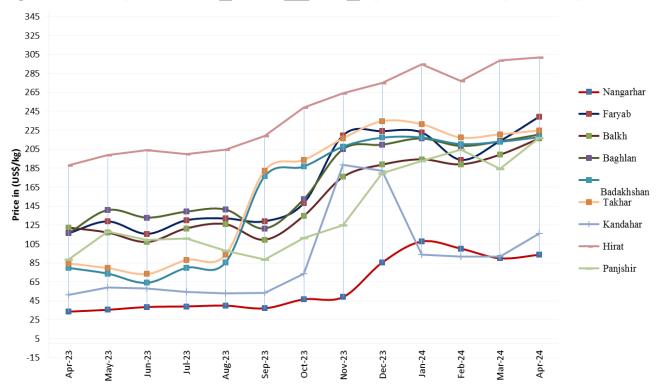
6. Cannabis Resin

There are mainly three types of cannabis resin available in Afghanistan, namely Garda # 1, # 2, and # 3, with the quality being 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 (Patnosi) of Balkh province was the most expensive and popular because of its high quality; however, it lost its demand due to blending with lower-quality hashish.

Table 11: Prices of different types of cannabis resin in Afghanistan (US\$/kg), April 2023-April 2024

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Province	Types of cannabis resin	Types of resin	Apr-23	May-23	Jun-23	Jul-23	Aug-23	Sep-23	Oct-23	Nov-23	Dec-23	Jan-24	Feb-24	Mar-24	Apr-24	Change (Apr-Mar) %
Nangarhar	Garda # 1	Garda # 1	36	39	39	40	37	41	47	49	86	108	100	90	94	+4%
Nangarhar	Garda # 2	Garda # 2	32	33	34	36	33	36	39	42	64	79	72	65	68	+6%
Nangarhar	Garda # 3	Garda # 3	18	21	19	21	19	21	25	28	43	57	54	50	52	+4%
Faryab	Garda # 1 (Sherak)	Garda # 1	129	116	130	132	129	124	148	220	224	223	194	214	239	+12%
Faryab	Garda # 2 (Morchajosh)	Garda # 2	94	98	106	111	103	103	121	176	188	195	166	185	204	+10%
Faryab	Garda # 3 (khaka)	Garda # 3	64	60	71	77	73	64	81	147	159	167	138	143	162	+14%
Balkh	Garda # 1 (Patnosi)	Garda # 1	117	107	122	126	110	108	135	176	189	194	189	199	216	+9%
Balkh	Garda # 2 (Morchajosh)	Garda # 2	94	86	94	98	85	79	94	147	145	167	154	171	190	+11%
Balkh	Garda # 3 (khaka)	Garda # 3	59	50	59	61	49	41	54	117	116	139	140	142	157	+11%
Baghlan	Garda # 1 (Chaki)	Garda # 1	141	133	139	141	121	121	152	205	210	216	209	213	220.6	+3%
Baghlan	Garda # 2 (Morchajosh)	Garda # 2	117	110	114	118	97	98	120	147	152	154	146	157	173	+10%
Baghlan	Garda # 3 (khaka)	Garda # 3	82	74	85	87	73	68	90	117	116	119	111	121	132	+9%
Badakhshan	Garda # 1 (Shirak)	Garda # 1	74	64	80	85	176	189	187	208	217	217	210	213	218	+2%
Takhar	Garda # 1 (Shirak)	Garda # 1	80	73	88	94	183	195	194	217	235	232	217	221	225	+2%
Kandahar	Garda # 1 (Sherak)	Garda # 1	59	58	54	53	54	71	74	189	182	94	92	92	116	+26%
Kandahar	Garda # 2	Garda # 2	28	28	27	27	30	46	48	149	143	52	49	48	52	+8%
Kandahar	Garda # 3	Garda # 3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Hirat	Garda # 1 (Sherak)	Garda # 1	199	204	200	205	219	247	249	264	275	295	277	299	302	+1%
Hirat	Garda # 2 (Morchajoshi)	Garda # 2	100	105	100	94	103	111	118	125	123	126	118	135	141	+4%
Panjshir	Garda # 1 (Jooshi)	Garda # 1	118	110	111	98	89	116	111	125	180	193	205	184	217	+18%
Panjshir	Garda # 2 (Morchajosh)	Garda # 2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Figure 5: Average price of cannabis resin (Garda #1, best quality) in US\$/kg, April 2023-April 2024



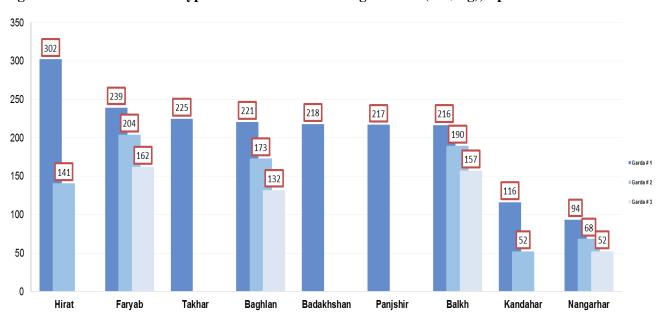


Figure 6: Prices of different types of cannabis resin in Afghanistan (US\$/kg), April 2024

Table 12: Prices of 1 kilogram of different types of cannabis resin in local currency, Mar 2024–Apr 2024

Province	Types of cannabis resin	Local currency		ency	Change (April-March)
			Mar-24	Apr-24	
	Garda # 1	Pakistani Rupee	25,000	26,000	+4%
Nangarhar	Garda # 2	Pakistani Rupee	18,000	19,000	+6%
	Garda # 3	Pakistani Rupee	14,000	14,500	+4%
	Garda # 1 (Sherak)	Afghani	15,000	17,000	+13%
Faryab	Garda # 2 (Morchajosh)	Afghani	13,000	14,500	+12%
	Garda # 3 (khaka)	Afghani	10,000	11,500	+15%
	Garda # 1 (Patnosi)	Afghani	14,000	15,400	+10%
Balkh	Garda # 2 (Morchajosh)	Afghani	12,000	13,500	+13%
	Garda # 3 (khaka)	Afghani	10,000	11,200	+12%
	Garda # 1 (Chaki)	Afghani	15,000	15,700	+5%
Baghlan	Garda # 2 (Morchajosh)	Afghani	11,000	12,300	+12%
	Garda # 3 (khaka)	Afghani	8,500	9,400	+11%
Badakhshan	Garda # 1 (Shirak)	Afghani	15,000	15,500	+3%
Takhar	Garda # 1 (Shirak)	Afghani	15,500	16,000	+3%
	Garda # 1 (Sherak)	Pakistani Rupee	25,556	32,222	+26%
Kandahar	Garda # 2	Pakistani Rupee	13,333	14,444	+8%
	Garda # 3	Pakistani Rupee	-	-	-
IF .	Garda # 1	Afghani	21,000	21,500	+2%
Hirat	Garda # 2	Afghani	9,500	10,000	+5%
D '11'	Garda # 1 (Jooshi)	Pakistani Rupee	13,000	15,400	+18%
Panjshir	Garda # 2 (Morchajosh)	Afghani	-	-	-

7. Seeds: Cannabis and Poppy

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

Table 13: Prices of cannabis and poppy seeds in other than USD currency, Mar 2024-Apr 2024

Province	Types of seed	Local currency	Prices of 1 kg of poppy seed in	Change (Apr-Mar) (%)	
			Mar-24	Apr-24	
Badakhshan	Poppy seed	Afghani	96	86	-10%
Badakrionan	Cannabis seed	Afghani	87	87	0%
Takhar	Poppy seed	Afghani	115	104	-10%
Tantiai	Cannabis seed	Afghani	98	98	0%
Balkh	Poppy seed	Afghani	100	90	-10%
Dalkii	Cannabis seed	Afghani	80	80	0%
Baghlan	Poppy seed	Afghani	85	85	0%
Dagnian	Cannabis seed	Afghani	75	70	-7%
Familiah	Poppy seed	Afghani	130	120	-8%
Faryab	Cannabis seed	Afghani	80	80	0%
11:4	Poppy seed	Afghani	160	140	-13%
Hirat	Cannabis seed	Afghani	150	130	-13%
Fb	Poppy seed	Afghani	170	150	-12%
Farah	Cannabis seed	Afghani	80	80	0%
119 1	Poppy seed	Afghani	95	91	-5%
Hilmand	Cannabis seed	Afghani	73	68	-6%
14 11	Poppy seed	Afghani	101	97	-4%
Kandahar	Cannabis seed	Afghani	67	63	-7%
7.1.1	Poppy seed	Afghani	135	125	-7%
Zabul	Cannabis seed	Afghani	79	68	-13%
11	Poppy seed	Afghani	95	91	-5%
Uruzgan	Cannabis seed	Afghani	76	80	+5%
Maria	Poppy seed	Pakistani Ruppee	375	325	-13%
Nangarhar	Cannabis seed	Pakistani Ruppee	140	145	+4%
V.v.a.r.	Poppy seed	Pakistani Ruppee	-	-	-
Kunar	Cannabis seed	Pakistani Ruppee	-	-	-
Lankaran	Poppy seed	Pakistani Ruppee	380	385	+1%
Laghman	Cannabis seed	Pakistani Ruppee	120	130	+8%
Kabul	Poppy seed	Afghani	188	190	+1%
Ghazni	Cannabis seed	Afghani	-	-	-
Kapisa	Poppy seed	Afghani	110	105	-5%

Table 14: Prices of cannabis and poppy seeds in Afghanistan (US\$/kg), April 2023-April 2024

Types of seeds	Apr-23	May-23	Jun-23	Jul-23	Aug-23	Sep-23	Oct-23	Nov-23	Dec-23	Jan-24	Feb-24	Mar-24	Apr-24	Increase/ Decrease (%)
Cannabis seed	1.765	0.909	0.832	0.882	0.923	0.929	0.924	0.933	1.105	1.016	0.980	1.105	1.054	-5%
Poppy seed	2.840	1.328	1.272	1.314	1.336	1.442	1.417	1.603	1.978	1.669	1.659	1.679	1.553	-8%

8. 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.

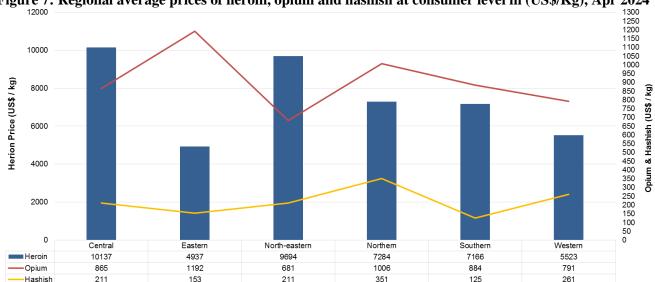


Figure 7: Regional average prices of heroin, opium and hashish at consumer level in (US\$/Kg), Apr 2024

Table 15: Average prices of heroin, opium and hashish at consumer level in Afghanistan (US\$/kg), Apr 23 - Apr 24

		Average prices in (US\$/kg)													
Types of drug	Apr-23	May-23	Jun-23	Jul-23	Aug-23	Sep-23	Oct-23	Nov-23	Dec-23	Jan-24	Feb-24	Mar-24	Apr-24	Change (Apr-Mar) (%)	
Heroin	2,822	3,286	3,520	3,611	3,782	4,413	4,463	5,605	7,997	7,150	7,624	7,427	7,928	+7%	
Opium	369	355	355	383	413	456	496	592	1,502	850	812	867	896	+3%	
Hashish	141	132	145	141	136	148	165	216	264	214	214	210	226	+8%	

9. Price of Acetic Anhydride

Table 16 Average Price of Acetic Anhydride in Afghanistan (US\$/Lit) April 2023–April 2024

Variety of Acetic Anhydride	Apr-23	May-23	Jun-23	Jul-23	Aug-23	Sep-23	Oct-23	Nov-23	Dec-23	Jan-24	Feb-24	Mar-24	Apr-24	Increase / Decrease (%)
Acetic Anhydride - A* (Garmani)	147	127	139	140	159	160	178	191	182	243	232	245	255	+4%
Acetic Anhydride - B* (Japani)	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	ı	-	-	-	1
Acetic Anhydride - C* (Indian)	57	58	59	59	58	66	72	91	143	122	119	126	133	+6%
Acetic Anhydride - D* (Pakistani)	54	53	54	56	55	57	61	88	136	104	90	72	77	+6.2%
Acetic Anhydride - E* (Chinees)	155	128	138	143	169	168	179	182	203	203	193	199	206	+3%
Acetic Anhydride - F* (Irani)	67	78	80	77	81	85	92	108	116	131	134	103	105	+2.5%

10. Price of Ephedra

Ephedra is a low evergreen shrub with small scaly leaves. It has a long history of medicinal use in China and India to treat colds, fever, headaches, and coughing, wheezing, and other conditions.

Where is Ephedra found?

A group of about 40 species found from southern Europe, North Africa to Asia as well as the mountains of North and South America, Ephedra are typically plants of dry and desert regions.

Ephedra is found naturally in different zones of Afghanistan and is used in the production of methamphetamine. From September 2023, the Deputy Ministry for Counter Narcotics had also included the price of Ephedra in the monthly drug price report.

Table 17: Average price of Ephedra in Afghanistan (US\$/kg), March 2024-April 2024

	Average Price Of "Ephedra" I	For Each Zone (US\$/Kg)	
Region	Mar-24	Apr-24	Change (Apr-Mar) %
Northern	0.73	0.76	+3%
North-east	0.85	0.84	-1%
Western	1.39	1.04	-25%
Central	1.24	0.79	-37%
Southern	0.86	1.11	+29%
Eastern	0.88	1.20	+37%
Average Prices for Afghanistan	1.02	0.91	-11%



11. Licit Crops

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

Table 18: Prices of wheat, cotton, saffron, imported and local rice in Afghanistan in local

currency, April 2024

Province	Types of crops	Price/Kg in Pakistani Rupee (PRs)	Price/Kg in Afghani (AFs)	Price/Kg in (US\$)
Nangarhar	Wheat	-	25	0.4
Nangarhar	Cotton	-	104	1.5
Nangarhar	Rice Imported	-	102	1.4
Nangarhar	Rice Local	-	54	0.8
Balkh	Wheat	-	22	0.3
Balkh	Cotton	-	105	1.5
Balkh	Rice Imported	-	110	1.5
Balkh	Rice Local	-	65	0.9
Badakhshan	Wheat	-	26	0.4
Badakhshan	Rice Imported	-	131	1.8
Badakhshan	Rice Local	-	131	0.9
Takhar	Wheat	-	63	0.3
Takhar	Rice Imported	-	121	1.7
Takhar	Rice Local	-	61	0.9
Helmand	Wheat	-	24	0.3
Helmand	Cotton	-	133	1.9
Helmand	Rice Imported	-	81	1.1
Kandahar	Wheat	-	26	0.4
Kandahar	Cotton	-	133	1.9
Kandahar	Rice Imported	-	80	1.1
Hirat	Wheat	-	22	0.3
Hirat	Cotton	-	180	2.5
Hirat	Saffron	-	122000	1714
Hirat	Rice Imported	-	100	1.4
Hirat	Rice Local	-	65	0.9

Table 19: Average prices of wheat, cotton, saffron, imported, and local rice in Afghanistan (US\$/kg), April 2023–April 2024

Types of crops	Apr-23	May-23	Jun-23	Jul-23	Aug-23	Sep-23	Oct-23	Nov-23	Dec-23	Jan-24	Feb-24	Mar-24	Apr-24	Increase/De crease (%)
Wheat (Local)	0.45	0.34	0.33	0.36	0.36	0.40	0.41	0.41	0.40	0.43	0.46	0.38	0.33	-13%
Cotton	1.87	2.12	2.14	1.97	1.97	2.07	2.13	2.07	1.90	1.93	1.88	1.94	1.84	-5%
Saffron	879	874	846	852	852	911	969	1100	1014	982	1108	1736	1714	+12%
Rice (Imported)	1.26	1.37	1.37	1.42	1.42	1.51	1.50	1.56	1.51	1.64	1.53	1.55	1.46	-6%
Rice (Local)	0.66	0.82	0.80	0.81	0.81	0.84	0.82	0.88	0.95	0.98	1.10	0.96	0.87	-9%

12. Reasons for rising and falling narcotic drug prices during this month

Causes of rising narcotic drug prices:

- Implementation of the decree of Amir al-Mominin on the prohibition of the cultivation, production, use, and smuggling of narcotic drugs.
- Approval and publication of Articles No. 13 and 32 of Mutahed Al-Mal regarding the determination of special penalties for types of drug activities.
- Eradication of poppy cultivation and drug processing factories.
- The determination of the authorities of the Islamic Emirate of Afghanistan to prevent the cultivation of poppy and hashish and to destroy its fields.
- Disrupting the order of drug stock markets and reducing drug stocks.
- Presence of local, regional, and international demand for drug use.
- Pursuing drug smugglers.

Reasons for the rise and fall of each category of drugs

First Part Opium:

Changes in the price of opium in Afghanistan: The price of opium in Afghanistan has increased by 2% compared to last month.

Changes in Opium Prices at the Regional Level:

- There has been an increase in the **western region** compared to last month, which is due to the remarkable decrease in poppy cultivation and people's inclination to plant legitimately.
- There has been an increase in the **north-eastern region** compared to the previous month, which is due to the destruction of poppy cultivation and the decrease in the supply of opium.
- In the **eastern region**, there has been an increase compared to the previous month, the reason for which has been said to be a shortage of opium.
- In the **northern region**, there has been an increase compared to the previous month, which is due to the destruction of poppy cultivation and the decrease of opium cultivation.
- There has been a rise in the **central region** compared to the previous month, due to the destruction of poppy cultivation and the decrease of opium cultivation.
- There was a slight decrease in the **south region** compared to last month, which is due to the poppy cultivation in Pakistan and the collection of drug addicts.

Second Part Cannabis:

The reason for the increase in the price of hashish in Afghanistan is due to the increase in the price of hashish in most regions of the country (the implementation of the law, the destruction of hashish cultivation, and the decrease in production).

Third Part Heroin:

Heroin is made from opium; an increase in the price of opium leads to an increase in the price of heroin.

Fourth Part Synthetic Drugs:

- According to our analysis, synthetic drugs are mostly used by addicts. Therefore, it can be said on the same basis
 that the price reduction of synthetic drugs is due to the accumulation of addicts because the main applicants have
 decreased at the level of cities.
- The reason for the increase in the prices of some synthetic drugs, such as Tajikistani, Irani, Pakistani, and Afghani tablet-k and local methamphetamine, is the prevention of their sale and entry into the country as a result of border control by the active forces and authorities of the Islamic Emirate of Afghanistan.

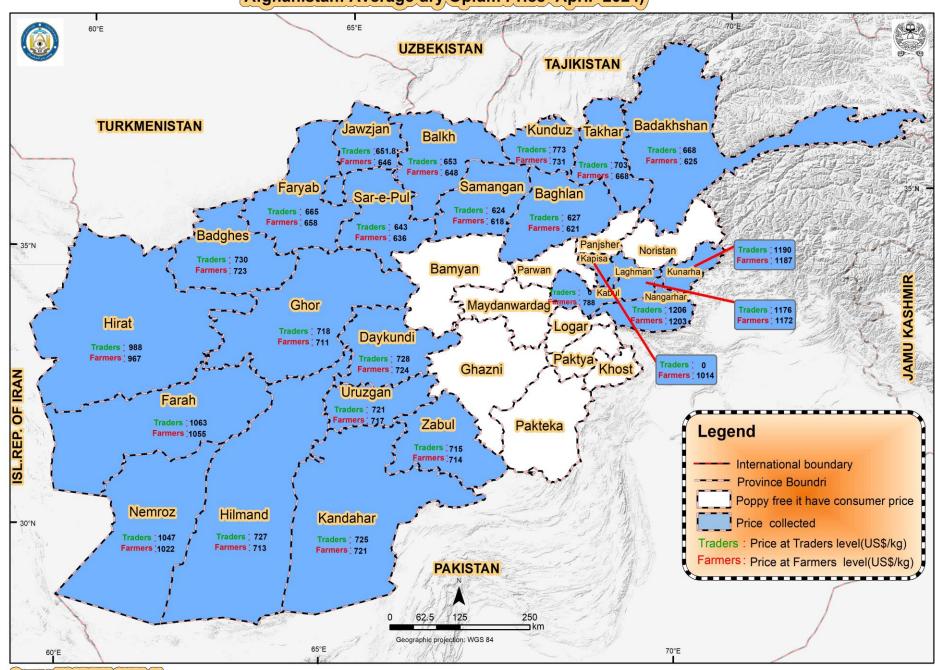
13. Methodology

- ❖ Prices are collected in the last week of every month from around twenty farmers and equal numbers of traders by NSAD Survey coordinators generally from different farmers and traders each month. The price data collection is sourced from a few known farmers and traders as well.
- ❖ Opium prices are collected from 25 out of 34 provinces namely Kabul, Ghazni, Kapisa, Badakhshan, Baghlan, Badghis, Balkh, Farah, Faryab, Ghor, Hilmand, Hirat, Kandahar, Kunar, Kunduz, Laghman, Nangarhar, Nimroz, Uruzgan, Takhar, Sur-Pul, Samangan, Jawzjan 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 collected from twelve provinces of Afghanistan namely Badakhshan, Takhar, Kunduz, Balkh, Faryab, Badghis, Hilmand, Kandahar, Nangarhar, Hirat, Nimroz and Farah, and cannabis resin prices are collected from eight provinces of Afghanistan namely Badakhshan, Balkh, Hirat, Nangarhar, Kandahar and Takhar. (Garda # 1(Patnosi)) in Balkh province is a new Garda of cannabis resin reported in January 2021 year.
- ❖ Prices of some licit crops such as, wheat, saffron, and cotton, imported and local rice is also collected from seven provinces of Afghanistan and included in this report.
- Prices of poppy seeds, cannabis seeds and acetic anhydride are included in the report as well.
- ❖ 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, Sur-Pul, Samangan and Jawzjan) and North-eastern (Badakhshan, Kunduz and Takhar) regions, the prices are reported in Afghani. However, prices are reported in two different currencies namely Afghani and Iranian Tuman in Western (Nimroz and Farah,) 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.
- ❖ The synthetic drugs (Methamphetamine per gram, Sosegon per Ampoul, Tablet K per Tablet are reported from six regions (Kabul, Nangarhar, Laghman, Kunar, Faryab, Jawzjan, Sari-pul, Balkh, Samangan, Baghlan, Hilmand, Kandahar, Zabul, Badghis, Hirat, Ghor, Farah, Nimroz, Badakhshan, Takhar, and Kunduz) provinces of the country in US\$, Methamphetamine is sold in various names in Afghanistan. And Sheesha is the common name for Methamphetamine.

Table 20: Number of observations of dry and fresh opium prices

	Number of ob	Number of provinces price collected	
	Farm-gate price	Trader price	
Dry Opium	175	173	24
Fresh Opium	68	66	14

Afghanistan: Average dry Opium Price (April 2024)





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