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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		
	September_2024	October_2024	Change %	October_2023	October_2024	Change %
Dry opium Farm-gate price (US\$/Kg)	792	791	-0.1%	454	791	+74%
Dry opium Trader price (US\$/Kg)	802	807	+0.6%	466	807	+73%
Fresh Opium Farm-gate price (US\$/Kg)	537	525	-2.3%	394	525	+33%
Fresh Opium Trader price (US\$/Kg)	564	538	-4.7%	404	538	+33%
Heroin Batan_100 (US\$/Kg)	10698	11044	+3%	-	-	-
Heroin White powder (Crystal) - 60% (US\$/Kg)	7130	6679	-6%	4931	6679	+35%
Heroin White powder (Crystal) - 40% (US\$/Kg)	5660	5300	-6%	4083	5300	+30%
Morphine (US\$/Kg)	5531	5111	-8%	4014	5111	+27%
Cannabis resin (Garda # 1) Price in (US\$/Kg)	237	249	+5%	144	249	+72%
Cannabis resin (Garda # 2) Price in (US\$/Kg)	171	174	+2%	90	174	+93%
Cannabis resin (Garda # 3) Price in (US\$/Kg)	155	160	+3%	62	160	+156%
Methamphetamine (Imported) (US\$/Gram)	2.09	2.19	+5%	1.50	2.19	+46%
Methamphetamine (Local) (US\$/Gram)	1.20	1.42	+19%	1.048	1.42	+35%
Sosegon (Imported) (US\$/Ampoule)	1.21	1.34	+11%	1.10	1.34	+22%
Sosegon (Local) (US\$/Ampoule)	0.78	0.91	+17%	0.64	0.91	+44%
MDMA ( Tablet -K ) A (US\$/Tablet)	15.2	15.86	+4%	15.9	15.86	-0.1%
MDMA ( Tablet -K ) B (US\$/Tablet)	6.5	6.54	+0.2%	9.5	6.5	-31%
MDMA ( Tablet -K ) C (US\$/Tablet)	5.98	5.80	-3%	6.9	5.8	-16%
MDMA ( Tablet -K ) D (US\$/Tablet)	3.00	3.101	+3%	3.10	3.101	+0.2%

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## 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 1994. Opium price collected from 25 provinces in October 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.

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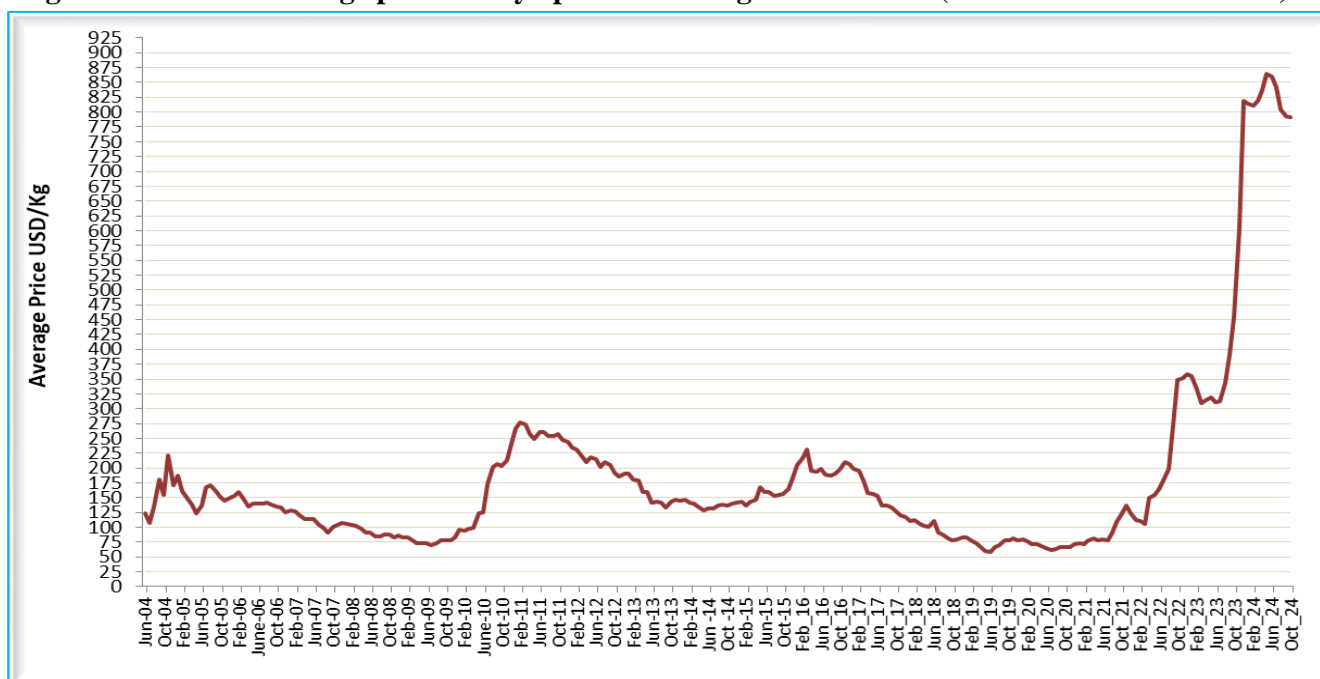
### 3. Opium

#### 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\$ 791/kg) at the end of October 2024, which is 0.1% Lower compared to the price reported in September 2024 (US\$ 792/kg). The average dry opium price at the farm-gate level in October 2024 is 74% higher than the price reported in October 2023, which was (US\$ 454/kg).

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



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

Region	Price of Dry Opium (US\$/Kg)		Price change (%)
	Sep-24	Oct-24	
Eastern region (Kunar, Laghman and Nangarhar)	1201	1183	-1.6%
Southern region (Hilmand, Kandahar, Uruzgan, Zabul and diykundy)	681	618	-9%
Western region (Badghis, Farah, Ghor, Hirat and Nimroz)	893	1000	+12%
North-eastern region (Badakhshan, Kunduz and Takhar)	514	515	+0.2%
Northern region (Baghlan, Balkh, Faryab, Sur-Pul, Jawzjan and Samangan )	618	620	+0.3%
Central region (Kabul, Ghazni and Kapisa )	876	928	+6.0%
<b>Average</b>	<b>792</b>	<b>791</b>	<b>-0.1%</b>

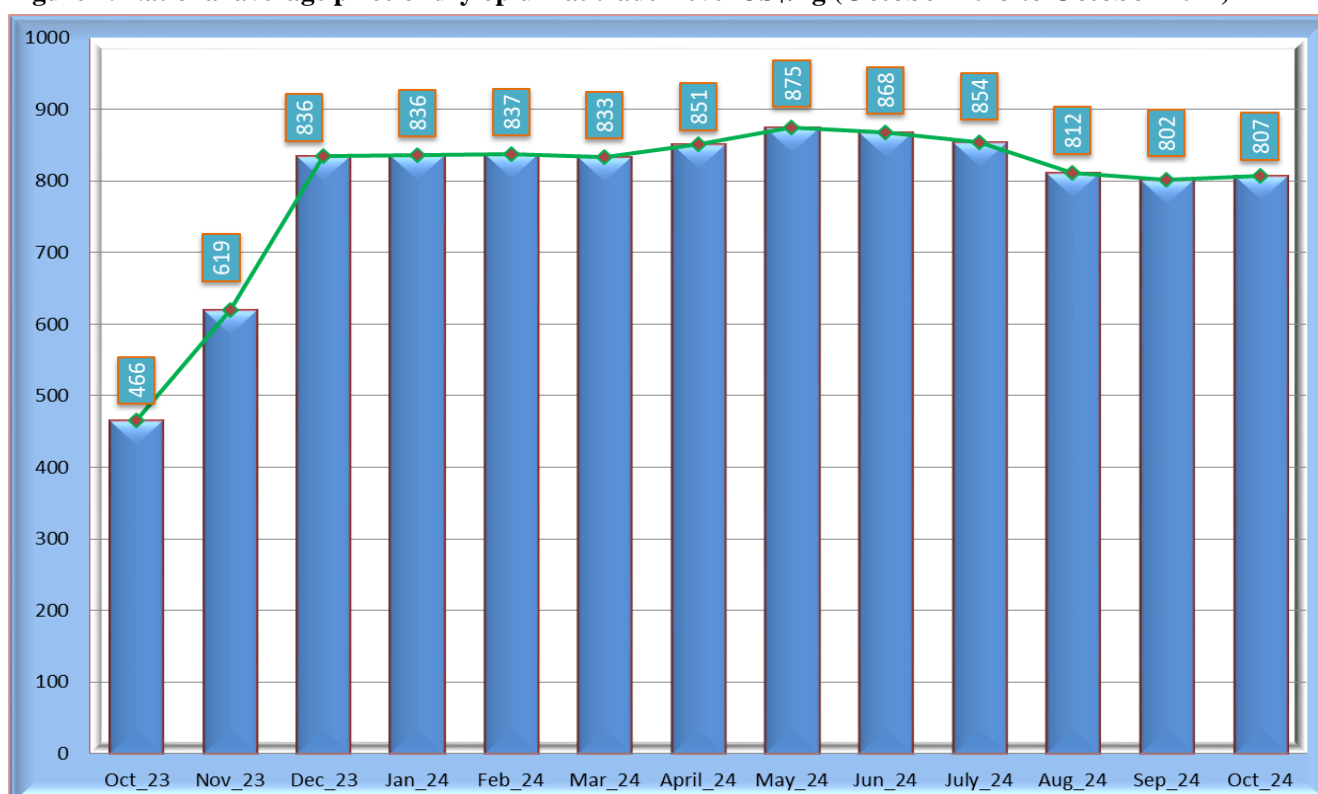
### 3.1.2 Trader Price

The national average dry opium price collected from traders was (US\$ 807/kg) at the end of October 2024, showing 0.6% increase compared to the price reported last month in September 2024 (US\$ 802/kg).

The average dry opium price at trader level in October 2024 is 73% higher than the price reported last year in October 2023, which was (US\$ 466/kg).

Dry opium price collected from traders has increased by 9%, 1% and 0.4% in the western, north-eastern and northern regions respectively. The Price has decreased by 9% and 1.3% in the Southern and Eastern regions respectively.

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



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

Region	Price of Dry Opium (US\$/Kg)		Price change (%)
	Sep-24	Oct-24	
Eastern region (Kunar, Laghman and Nangarhar)	1204	1189	-1.3%
Southern region (Hilmand, Kandahar, Uruzgan, Zabul and diykundy)	685	622	-9%
Western region (Badghis, Farah, Ghor, Hirat and Nimroz)	921	1002	+9%
North-eastern region (Badakhshan, Kunduz and Takhar)	529	537	+1%
Northern region (Baghlan, Balkh, Faryab, Sur-Pul, Jawzjan and Samangan )	625	628	+0.4%
Central region (Kabul, Ghazni and Kapisa )	-	-	-
<b>Average</b>	<b>802</b>	<b>807</b>	<b>+0.6%</b>



## 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\$ 811/kg) in October 2024, showing a decrease of 1% compared to the price reported in September 2024 (US\$ 823/kg). The average price of one kilogram of Chaynaki dry opium at the farm-gate level in Hilmand province was (US\$ 880/kg) in October 2024, showing a decrease of 7% compared to the price reported in September 2024 (US\$ 942/kg).

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

Dry Opium (Chaynaki quality)	Balkh		Price change (Oct-Sep) %	Hilmand		Price change (Oct-Sep) %
	Sep-24	Oct-24		Sep-24	Oct-24	
Farm-gate price (US\$/Kg)	823	811	-1%	942	880	-7%

### 3.2.2. Trader price

In Balkh province, the average price of one kilogram of *Chaynaki* dry opium at trader level was (US\$ 822/kg) in October 2024, showing a decrease of 1% compared to the price reported in September 2024 (US\$ 832/kg). In Hilmand province, the average price of one kilogram of Chaynaki dry opium at trader level was (US\$ 887/kg) in October 2024, showing a decrease of 6% compared to the price reported in September 2024 (US\$ 946/kg).

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

Dry Opium (Chaynaki quality)	Balkh		Price change (Oct-Sep) %	Hilmand		Price change (Oct-Sep) %
	Sep-24	Oct-24		Sep-24	Oct-24	
Trader price (US\$/Kg)	832	822	-1%	946	887	-6%

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

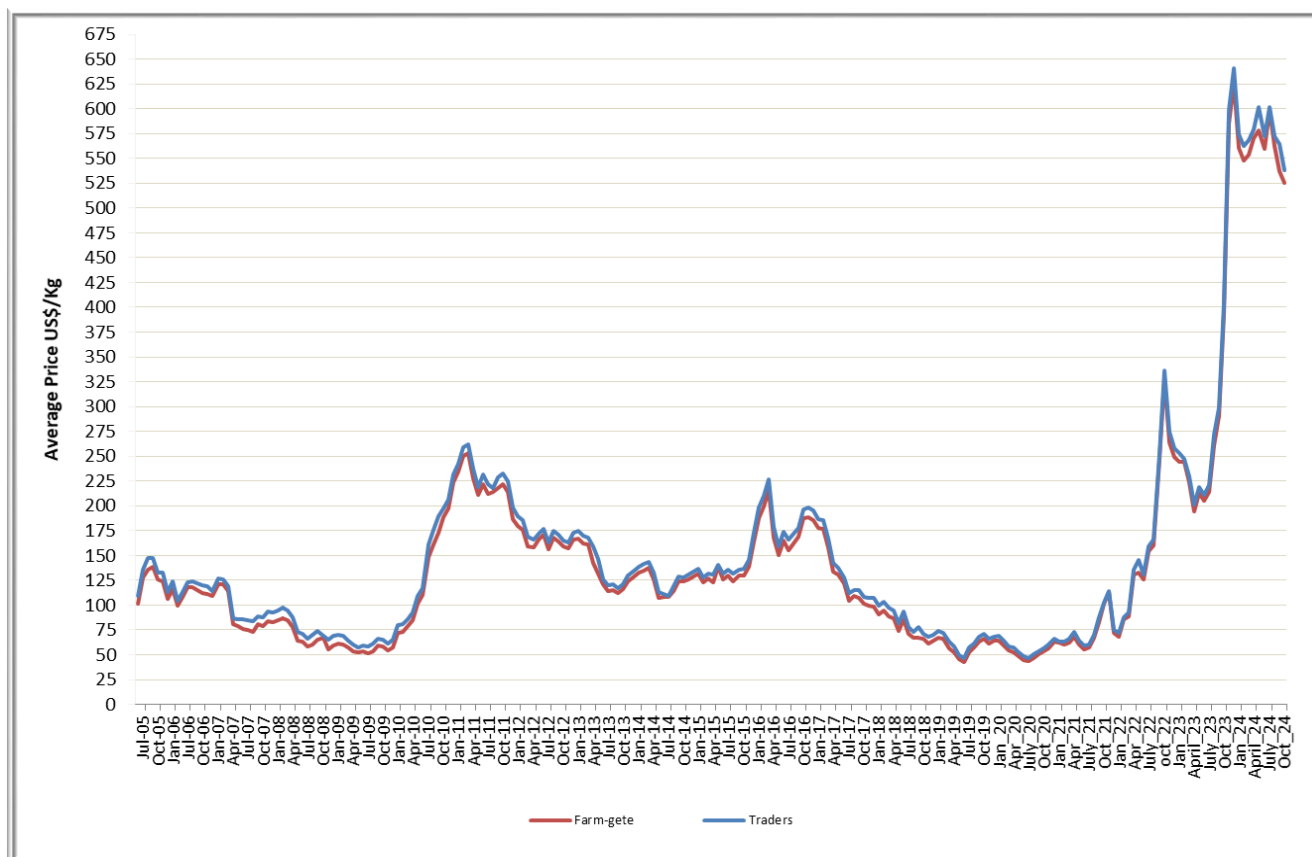
Region	Local currency	Price of 1 kg of Dry Opium in local currency				change at farm-gate level (Oct-Sep) (%)	Change at trader level (Oct-Sep) (%)
		Sep-24		Oct-24			
		Farm-gate	Trader	Farm-gate	Trader		
Eastern region (Kunar, Laghman and Nangarhar)	Pakistani Rupee	333212	334070	327543	329397	-2%	-1%
Southern region (Hilmand, Kandahar, Uruzgan and Zabul and diykundi)	Pakistani Rupee	188566	189677	171577	172688	-9%	-9%
Western region (Badghis and Chor) *	Afghani	52656	5264	52441	52982	-0.4%	-4%
Western region (Farah, Hirat and Nimroz) *	Iranian Tuman	50306283	51096267	50743374	52108336	+1%	+2%
North-eastern region (Badakhshan, Kunduz and Takhar)	Afghani	34575	35628	33828	35269	-2%	-1%
Northern region (Baghlan, Balkh, Faryab, Suri-Pul, Jawzjan and Samangan)	Afghani	41768	42206	40611	41082	-3%	-3%
Central region (Kabul, Ghazni and Kapisa)	Afghani	59833	-	59833	-	0%	-

\* Western region is divided into two groups because of prices available in two currencies.

### 3.3 Fresh Opium

At the end of October 2024, the national average price of fresh opium decreased by 2.3% from (US\$ 537/kg) in September 2024 to (US\$ 525/kg) in October 2024 at the farm-gate level. Similarly, the national average price of fresh opium at trader level decreased by 4.7% from (US\$ 564/kg) in September 2024 to (US\$ 538/kg) in October 2024.

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



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

Region	Local currency	Price of 1 kg of Fresh Opium in local currency				change at farm-gate level (Oct-Sep) (%)	Change at trader level (Oct-Sep) (%)
		Sep-24		Oct-24			
		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	149541	151577	135709	137849	-9%	
Western region (Badghis and Chor) *	Afghani	40953	45583	41117	41683	+0.4%	
Western region (Farah, Hirat and Nimroz) *	Imanian Tuman	33607037	34152190	29976733	30776845	-11%	
North-eastern region (Badakhshan, Kunduz and Takhar)	Afghani	31394	32819	30473	31726	-3%	
Northern region (Baghlan, Balkh, Faryab, Suri-Pul, Jawzjan and Samangan)	Afghani	35712	36153	34806	35288	-3%	
Central region (Kabul, Ghazni and Kapisa)	Afghani	-	-	-	-	-	

\* Western region is divided into two groups because of prices available in two currencies.

#### 4. Heroin

There are several types of heroin<sup>1</sup> 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\$ 343/kg) is called as Khata - 2 reported in Nangarhar province.

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

Provinces	Types of heroin	Oct-23	Nov-23	Dec-23	Jan-24	Feb-24	Mar-24	Apr-24	May-24	Jun-24	Jul-24	Aug-24	Sep-24	Oct-24	Change (Oct - Sep) %
Badakhshan	Batan (100)	-	-	-	-	-	11,000	-	11,708	11,554	11,230	10,769	11,273	11,288	+0.1%
	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	4,547	4,932	9,634	10,313	9,538	9,534	11,122	10,697	10,020	8,050	7,475	7,812	7,910	+1.3%
Takhar	Batan (100)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12,134	10,698	9,998	9,618	10,123	10,801	+6.7%
	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	4,749	5,036	10,141	11,787	10,040	10,072	10,100	10,644	9,699	8,193	7,318	7,887	7,621	-3.4%
	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	2,223	2,365	7,876	8,735	8,032	8,057	8,082	8,834	8,701	7,305	6,136	5,028	5,096	+1.4%
Kunduz	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	4,901	5,242	11,140	12,734	10,542	10,575	9,823	10,332	9,628	8,308	7,017	6,416	6,420	+0.1%
Nangarhar	Off- white powder (Batan)	1,218	1,467	5,653	6,334	6,387	8,202	8,574	8,569	8,632	8,689	8,735	8,736	8,723	-0.2%
	Bist powder	620	771	5,236	5,473	5,518	7,015	7,409	7,410	7,469	7,501	7,945	7,499	6,932	-7.6%
	Chara # 1	88	148	838	1,242	1,270	1,331	1,435	1,447	1,451	1,569	1,609	1,594	1,560	-2.1%
	Chara # 2	74	103	642	700	583	630	681	702	745	759	808	786	758	-3.5%
	Khata # 1	63	95	178	287	322	341.8	385.8	403	439	450	478	451	415	-7.9%
	Khata # 2	49	81	143	201	233	252	281	306	342	353	374	361	343	-4.9%
Faryab	Off- white powder (Batan) - high quality-60%	4,653	5,715	5,740	5,571	5,816	6,271	6,761	7,215	6,016	6,086	6,002	6,158	6,313	+3%
	Off- white powder (Batan) - low quality-40%	3,682	4,103	4,121	4,248	4,431	4,703	5,071	5,388	5,300	5,327	5,259	5,372	5,543	+3%
Balkh	Off- white powder (Batan) - high quality-60%	4,519	5,423	5,593	5,555	5,962	6,263	6,604	6,770	6,880	6,876	6,805	7,045	7,237	+3%
	Off- white powder (Batan) - low quality-40%	3,305	3,884	4,097	4,097	4,506	4,982	5,340	5,642	5,447	5,543	5,504	5,680	5,851	+3%
	Bist powder 20%	1,780	2,081	2,179	2,222	2,496	2,705	2,810	3,103	2,867	3,008	2,959	3,040	3,080	+1%
Helmand	Off- white powder (Batan) - high quality	4,226	7,247	6,638	5,949	5,957	6,118	5,942	5,576	5,751	6,126	6,294	5,959	4,866	-18%
	Off- white powder (Batan) - low quality	4,081	7,000	6,424	5,734	5,742	5,974	5,762	5,396	5,535	5,909	6,114	5,778	4,686	-19%
	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	7,440	10,905	10,456	8,709	8,721	8,277	8,102	7,374	8,267	8,648	8,811	8,486	7,028	-17%
	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	6,790	10,535	10,242	8,852	8,864	8,457	8,282	7,554	7,979	8,360	8,595	8,270	6,812	-18%
	Morphine	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Kandahar	Off- white powder (Batan) - high quality	4,081	7,282	6,638	5,949	5,957	6,082	5,942	5,576	5,751	6,126	6,294	5,959	4,866	-18%
	Off- white powder (Batan) - low quality	3,828	7,035	6,424	5,734	5,742	5,830	5,762	5,396	5,535	5,909	6,114	5,778	4,686	-19%
	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	7,368	10,905	10,349	8,601	8,613	8,349	8,354	7,374	8,267	8,612	8,631	8,306	7,209	-13%
	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	6,934	10,570	10,099	8,709	8,721	8,457	8,210	7,554	7,979	8,288	8,415	8,089	6,992	-14%
	Morphine	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Badghis	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	2,422	2,640	2,752	3,438	3,988	4,098	4,005	3,957	4,065	4,011	4,038	4,159	4,092	-1.6%
Hirat	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	4,845	4,841	6,954	6,876	6,896	7,256	7,237	7,279	7,132	7,248	6,874	7,129	7,150	+0.3%
	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	3,668	5,134	6,084	6,034	6,038	6,047	6,324	5,371	5,206	5,085	4,941	4,233	4,183	-1.2%
	Bist powder	4,429	5,354	7,968	7,858	7,963	8,537	7,940	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Morphine	3,599	3,814	5,940	5,823	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,639	-	-	-
Farah	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	4,637	5,721	7,823	7,717	6,924	6,972	7,870	7,067	6,989	6,876	6,444	7,278	6,846	-5.9%
	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	5,122	6,161	8,692	9,121	8,690	8,893	6,464	5,936	5,848	6,052	5,639	5,822	5,362	-7.9%
	Morphine	4,429	5,427	6,084	7,016	6,301	6,403	6,324	5,229	5,135	5,873	5,370	5,531	5,111	-7.6%
Nimroz	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	3,211	3,814	4,418	4,420	4,099	5,357	5,354	7,040	7,162	7,131	7,499	-	-	-
	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	2,860	3,227	3,549	3,508	3,462	4,524	4,521	5,073	5,321	4,728	4,742	4,049	4,998	+23%
	Bist powder	4,083	5,134	5,795	6,314	6,190	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,246	5,355	+26%
	Morphine	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

<sup>1</sup> 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 dust*, and *smack*.

**Table 9: Prices of 1 kilogram of different types of heroin in currencies other than US\$**

Province	Types of heroin	Local currency	Prices of 1 kg of different types of heroin in local currency		Change %
			Sep-24	Oct-24	
Badakhshan	Batan (100)	Afghani	759,000	742,000	-2.2%
	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	Afghani	526,000	520,000	-1.1%
Takhar	Batan (100)	Afghani	681,600	710,000	+4.2%
	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	Afghani	531,000	501,000	-5.6%
	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	Afghani	338,500	335,000	-1.0%
Kunduz	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	Afghani	432,000	422,000	-2.3%
Nangarhar	Off- white powder (Batan)	Pakistani Rupee	2,423,000	2,416,000	-0.3%
	Bist powder	Pakistani Rupee	2,080,000	1,920,000	-7.7%
	Chara # 1	Pakistani Rupee	442,000	432,000	-2.3%
	Chara # 2	Pakistani Rupee	218,000	210,000	-3.7%
	Khata # 1	Pakistani Rupee	125,000	115,000	-8.0%
	Khata # 2	Pakistani Rupee	100,000	95,000	-5.0%
Faryab	Off- white powder (Batan) - high quality -60%	Afghani	415,000	410,000	-1.2%
	Off- white powder (Batan) - low quality -40%	Afghani	362,000	360,000	-0.6%
Balkh	Off- white powder (Batan) - high quality -60%	Afghani	475,000	470,000	-1.1%
	Off- white powder (Batan) - low quality -40%	Afghani	383,000	380,000	-0.8%
	Bist powder - 20%	Afghani	205,000	200,000	-2.4%
Helmand	Off- white powder (Batan) - high quality	Pakistani Rupee	1,650,000	1,350,000	-18%
	Off- white powder (Batan) - low quality	Pakistani Rupee	1,600,000	1,300,000	-19%
	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	Pakistani Rupee	2,350,000	1,950,000	-17%
	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	Pakistani Rupee	2,290,000	1,890,000	-17%
	Morphine	Pakistani Rupee	-	-	-
Kandahar	Off- white powder (Batan) - high quality	Pakistani Rupee	1,650,000	1,350,000	-18%
	Off- white powder (Batan) - low quality	Pakistani Rupee	1,600,000	1,300,000	-19%
	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	Pakistani Rupee	2,300,000	2,000,000	-13%
	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	Pakistani Rupee	2,240,000	1,940,000	-13%
	Morphine	Pakistani Rupee	-	-	-
Badghis	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	Afghani	280,000	269,000	-3.9%
Hirat	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	Afghani	480,000	470,000	-2.1%
	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	Afghani	285,000	275,000	-3.5%
	Bist powder	Afghani	-	-	-
	Morphine	Afghani	-	-	-
Farah	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	Afghani	490000	450,000	-8.2%
	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	Afghani	392,000	352,500	-10.1%
	Morphine	Afghani	372400	336000	-9.8%
Nimruz	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	Afghani	-	-	-
	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	Afghani	272601	328519	20.5%
	Bist powder	Afghani	285899	351985	23.1%
	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.

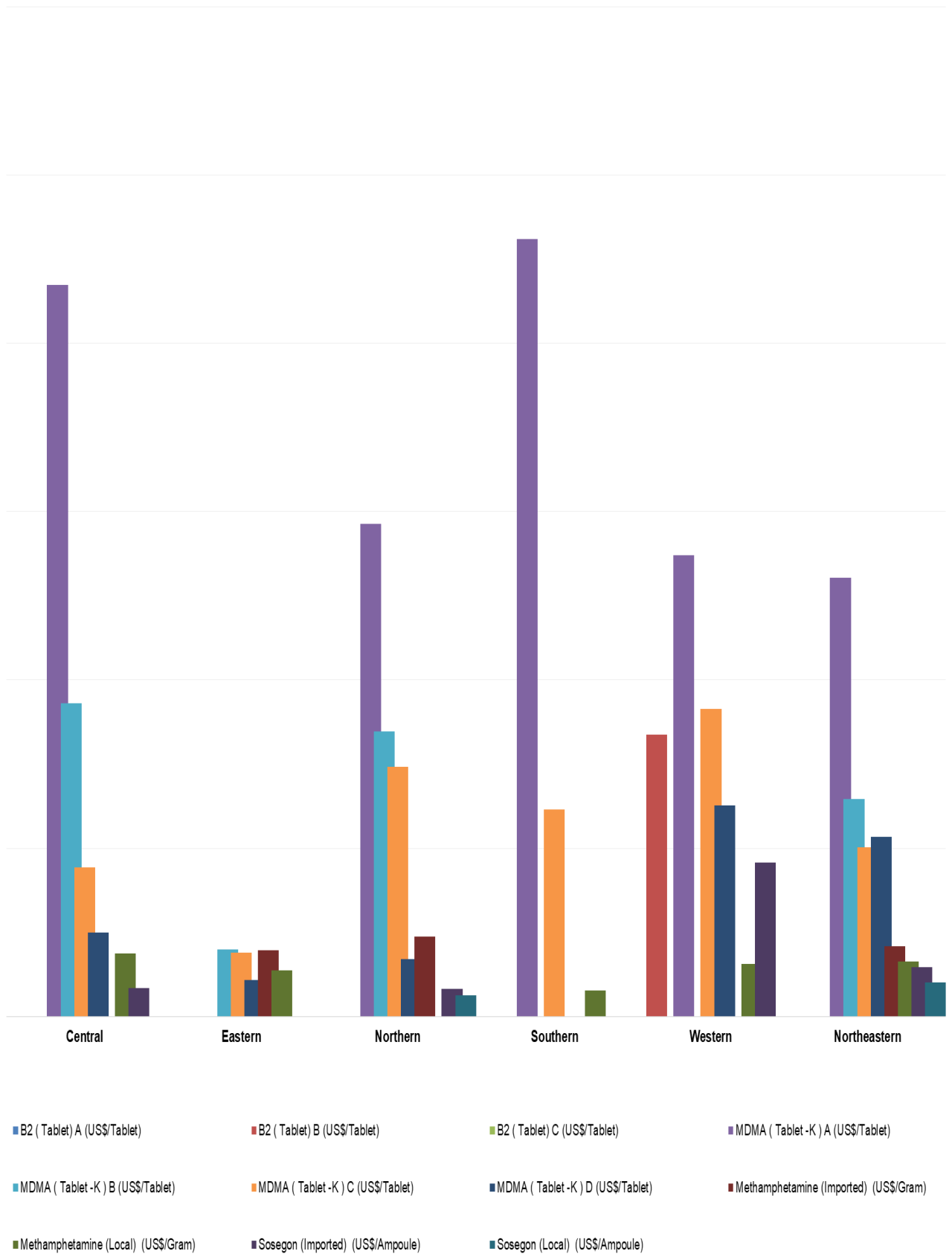
Synthetic drugs, could be addictive and creates a serious threat on the health of every one in daily life. Methamphetamine<sup>2</sup>, Tablet K and Sosegon are available in Afghanistan, which Methamphetamine is sold in various names in Afghanistan. And Sheesha is the common name for Methamphetamine, for details of its cheap price and accessible for youth.

<sup>2</sup> Methamphetamine 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	Oct-24
Central	Methamphetamine (Imported) (US\$/Gram)	-
	Methamphetamine (Local) (US\$/Gram)	1.9
	Sosegon (Imported) (US\$/Ampoule)	0.85
	Sosegon (Local) (US\$/Ampoule)	-
	MDMA ( Tablet -K ) A (US\$/Tablet)	21.7
	MDMA ( Tablet -K ) B (US\$/Tablet)	9.3
	MDMA ( Tablet -K ) C (US\$/Tablet)	4.4
	MDMA ( Tablet -K ) D (US\$/Tablet)	2.5
	B2 ( Tablet) A (US\$/Tablet)	-
B2 ( Tablet) B (US\$/Tablet)	-	
B2 ( Tablet) C (US\$/Tablet)	-	
Eastern	Methamphetamine (Imported) (US\$/Gram)	2.0
	Methamphetamine (Local) (US\$/Gram)	1.4
	Sosegon (Imported) (US\$/Ampoule)	-
	Sosegon (Local) (US\$/Ampoule)	-
	MDMA ( Tablet -K ) A (US\$/Tablet)	-
	MDMA ( Tablet -K ) B (US\$/Tablet)	2.0
	MDMA ( Tablet -K ) C (US\$/Tablet)	1.9
	MDMA ( Tablet -K ) D (US\$/Tablet)	1.1
	B2 ( Tablet) A (US\$/Tablet)	-
B2 ( Tablet) B (US\$/Tablet)	-	
B2 ( Tablet) C (US\$/Tablet)	-	
Northern	Methamphetamine (Imported) (US\$/Gram)	2.4
	Methamphetamine (Local) (US\$/Gram)	-
	Sosegon (Imported) (US\$/Ampoule)	0.8
	Sosegon (Local) (US\$/Ampoule)	0.6
	MDMA ( Tablet -K ) A (US\$/Tablet)	14.6
	MDMA ( Tablet -K ) B (US\$/Tablet)	8.5
	MDMA ( Tablet -K ) C (US\$/Tablet)	7.4
	MDMA ( Tablet -K ) D (US\$/Tablet)	1.7
	B2 ( Tablet) A (US\$/Tablet)	-
B2 ( Tablet) B (US\$/Tablet)	-	
B2 ( Tablet) C (US\$/Tablet)	-	
Southern	Methamphetamine (Imported) (US\$/Gram)	-
	Methamphetamine (Local) (US\$/Gram)	0.8
	Sosegon (Imported) (US\$/Ampoule)	-
	Sosegon (Local) (US\$/Ampoule)	-
	MDMA ( Tablet -K ) A (US\$/Tablet)	23.1
	MDMA ( Tablet -K ) B (US\$/Tablet)	-
	MDMA ( Tablet -K ) C (US\$/Tablet)	6.2
	MDMA ( Tablet -K ) D (US\$/Tablet)	-
	B2 ( Tablet) A (US\$/Tablet)	-
B2 ( Tablet) B (US\$/Tablet)	-	
B2 ( Tablet) C (US\$/Tablet)	-	
Western	Methamphetamine (Imported) (US\$/Gram)	-
	Methamphetamine (Local) (US\$/Gram)	1.6
	Sosegon (Imported) (US\$/Ampoule)	4.6
	Sosegon (Local) (US\$/Ampoule)	-
	MDMA ( Tablet -K ) A (US\$/Tablet)	13.7
	MDMA ( Tablet -K ) B (US\$/Tablet)	-
	MDMA ( Tablet -K ) C (US\$/Tablet)	9.1
	MDMA ( Tablet -K ) D (US\$/Tablet)	6.3
	B2 ( Tablet) A (US\$/Tablet)	-
B2 ( Tablet) B (US\$/Tablet)	8.4	
B2 ( Tablet) C (US\$/Tablet)	-	
Northeastern	Methamphetamine (Imported) (US\$/Gram)	2.1
	Methamphetamine (Local) (US\$/Gram)	1.6
	Sosegon (Imported) (US\$/Ampoule)	1.5
	Sosegon (Local) (US\$/Ampoule)	1.0
	MDMA ( Tablet -K ) A (US\$/Tablet)	13.0
	MDMA ( Tablet -K ) B (US\$/Tablet)	6.5
	MDMA ( Tablet -K ) C (US\$/Tablet)	5.0
	MDMA ( Tablet -K ) D (US\$/Tablet)	5.3
	B2 ( Tablet) A (US\$/Tablet)	-
B2 ( Tablet) B (US\$/Tablet)	-	
B2 ( Tablet) C (US\$/Tablet)	-	

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



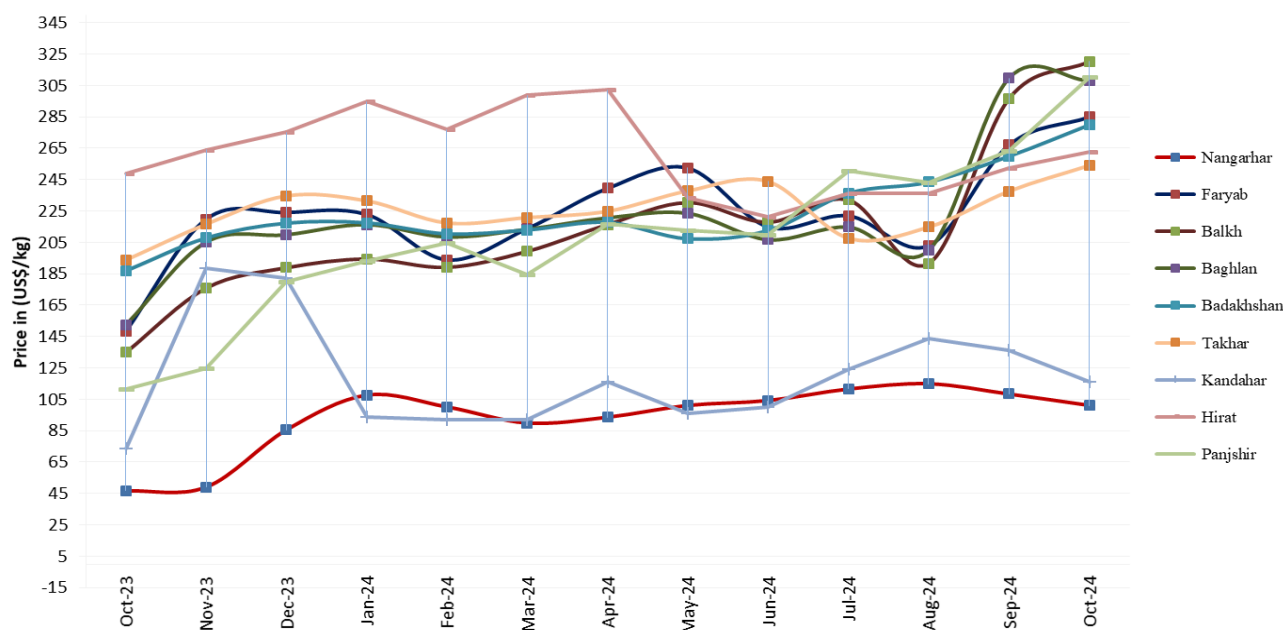
## 6. Cannabis Resin

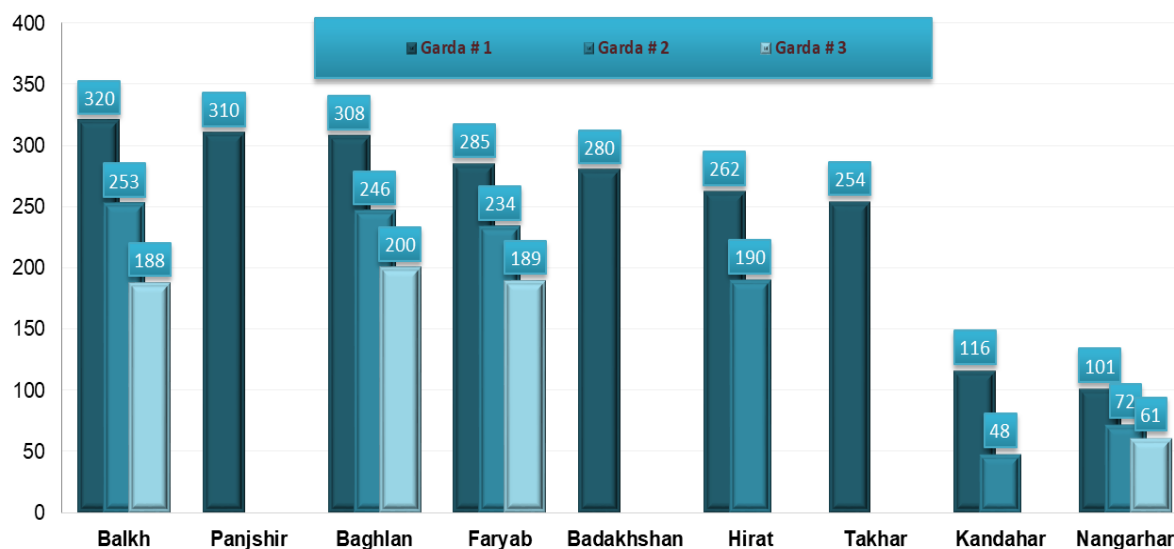
There are mainly three types of cannabis resin available in Afghanistan, namely Garda # 1, # 2, and # 3, with the quality being best, moderate, and fair, respectively. Garda # 1 (Shirak) in Badakhshan province was the most expensive cannabis resin because of its pure quality. Earlier, Garda # 1 (Patnosi) 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), Oct 2023–Oct 2024**

Province	Types of cannabis resin	Types of resin	Oct-23	Nov-23	Dec-23	Jan-24	Feb-24	Mar-24	Apr-24	May-24	Jun-24	Jul-24	Aug-24	Sep-24	Oct-24	Change (Oct - Sep) %
Nangarhar	Garda # 1	Garda # 1	47	49	86	108	100	90	94	101	104	112	115	108	101	-7%
Nangarhar	Garda # 2	Garda # 2	39	42	64	79	72	65	68	69	72	77	79	76	72	-5%
Nangarhar	Garda # 3	Garda # 3	25	28	43	57	54	50	52	56	54	61	68	65	61	-6%
Faryab	Garda # 1 (Sherak)	Garda # 1	148	220	224	223	194	214	239	252	215	222	203	267	285	+7%
Faryab	Garda # 2 (Morchajoshi)	Garda # 2	121	176	188	195	166	185	204	208	186	189	171	223	234	+5%
Faryab	Garda # 3 (khaka)	Garda # 3	81	147	159	167	138	143	162	150	135	140	131	178	189	+6%
Balkh	Garda # 1 (Patnosi)	Garda # 1	135	176	189	194	189	199	216	230	218	232	192	297	320	+8%
Balkh	Garda # 2 (Morchajoshi)	Garda # 2	94	147	145	167	154	171	190	195	182	198	153	237	253	+6%
Balkh	Garda # 3 (khaka)	Garda # 3	54	117	116	139	140	142	157	172	163	175	123	178	188	+6%
Baghlan	Garda # 1 (Chaki)	Garda # 1	152	205	210	216	209	213	221	224	207	215	200	310	308	-1%
Baghlan	Garda # 2 (Morchajoshi)	Garda # 2	120	147	152	154	146	157	173	177	160	172	157	243	246	+1%
Baghlan	Garda # 3 (khaka)	Garda # 3	90	117	116	119	111	121	132	134	125	139	129	199	200	+1%
Badakhshan	Garda # 1 (Shirak)	Garda # 1	187	208	217	217	210	213	218	207	213	236	243	260	280	+8%
Takhar	Garda # 1 (Shirak)	Garda # 1	194	217	235	232	217	221	225	238	244	208	215	238	254	+7%
Kandahar	Garda # 1 (Sherak)	Garda # 1	74	189	182	94	92	92	116	96	100	124	144	136	116	-15%
Kandahar	Garda # 2	Garda # 2	48	149	143	52	49	48	52	44	48	56	76	68	48	-30%
Kandahar	Garda # 3	Garda # 3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hirat	Garda # 1 (Sherak)	Garda # 1	249	264	275	295	277	299	302	233	221	236	215	252	262	+4%
Hirat	Garda # 2 (Morchajoshi)	Garda # 2	118	125	123	126	118	135	141	155	136	143	150	178	190	+7%
Panjshir	Garda # 1 (Jooshi)	Garda # 1	111	125	180	193	205	184	217	213	210	251	243	263	310	+18%
Panjshir	Garda # 2 (Morchajoshi)	Garda # 2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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



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

**Table 12: Prices of 1 kilogram of different types of cannabis resin in local currency, Sep 2024– Oct 2024**

Province	Types of cannabis resin	Local currency	Prices of 1 kg of different types of cannabis resin in local currency		Change (Oct-Sep) %
			Sep-24	Oct-24	
Nangarhar	Garda # 1	Pakistani Rupee	30,000	28,000	-7%
	Garda # 2	Pakistani Rupee	21,000	20,000	-5%
	Garda # 3	Pakistani Rupee	18,000	17,000	-6%
Faryab	Garda # 1 (Sherak)	Afghani	18,000	18,500	+3%
	Garda # 2 (Morchajosh)	Afghani	15,000	15,200	+1%
	Garda # 3 (khaka)	Afghani	12,000	12,300	+3%
Balkh	Garda # 1 (Patnosi)	Afghani	20,000	20,800	+4%
	Garda # 2 (Morchajosh)	Afghani	16,000	16,400	+3%
	Garda # 3 (khaka)	Afghani	12,000	12,200	+2%
Baghlan	Garda # 1 (Chaki)	Afghani	21,000	20,000	-5%
	Garda # 2 (Morchajosh)	Afghani	16,500	16,000	-3%
	Garda # 3 (khaka)	Afghani	13,500	13,000	-4%
Badakhshan	Garda # 1 (Shirak)	Afghani	17,500	18,400	+5%
Takhar	Garda # 1 (Shirak)	Afghani	16,000	16,700	+4%
Kandahar	Garda # 1 (Sherak)	Pakistani Rupee	37,778	32,222	-15%
	Garda # 2	Pakistani Rupee	18,889	13,333	-29%
	Garda # 3	Pakistani Rupee	-	-	-
Hirat	Garda # 1	Afghani	17,000	17,250	+1%
	Garda # 2	Afghani	12,000	12,500	+4%
Panjshir	Garda # 1 (Jooshi)	Pakistani Rupee	18,000	20,000	+11%
	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, September 2024– October 2024**

Province	Types of seed	Local currency	Prices of 1 kg of cannabis seed and poppy seed in local currency		Change %
			Aug-24	Sep-24	
Badakhshan	Poppy seed	Afghani	95	84	-12%
	Cannabis seed	Afghani	55	48	-13%
Takhar	Poppy seed	Afghani	130	115	-12%
	Cannabis seed	Afghani	80	75	-6%
Balkh	Poppy seed	Afghani	75	70	-7%
	Cannabis seed	Afghani	70	66	-6%
Baghlan	Poppy seed	Afghani	80	75	-6%
	Cannabis seed	Afghani	70	70	0%
Faryab	Poppy seed	Afghani	120	110	-8%
	Cannabis seed	Afghani	75	70	-7%
Hirat	Poppy seed	Afghani	100	100	0%
	Cannabis seed	Afghani	85	85	0%
Farah	Poppy seed	Afghani	130	150	+15%
	Cannabis seed	Afghani	85	80	-6%
Hilmand	Poppy seed	Afghani	73	71	-2%
	Cannabis seed	Afghani	53	55	+3%
Kandahar	Poppy seed	Afghani	73	71	-2%
	Cannabis seed	Afghani	53	55	+3%
Zabul	Poppy seed	Afghani	81	79	-2%
	Cannabis seed	Afghani	59	60	+3%
Uruzgan	Poppy seed	Afghani	70	68	-2%
	Cannabis seed	Afghani	56	57	+3%
Nangarhar	Poppy seed	Pakistani Ruppee	315	325	+3%
	Cannabis seed	Pakistani Ruppee	180	170	-6%
Kunar	Poppy seed	Pakistani Ruppee	-	200	-
	Cannabis seed	Pakistani Ruppee	-	-	-
Laghman	Poppy seed	Pakistani Ruppee	180	-	-
	Cannabis seed	Pakistani Ruppee	125	-	-
Kabul	Poppy seed	Afghani	180	170	-6%
Ghazni	Cannabis seed	Afghani	-	-	-
Kapisa	Poppy seed	Afghani	130	170	+31%

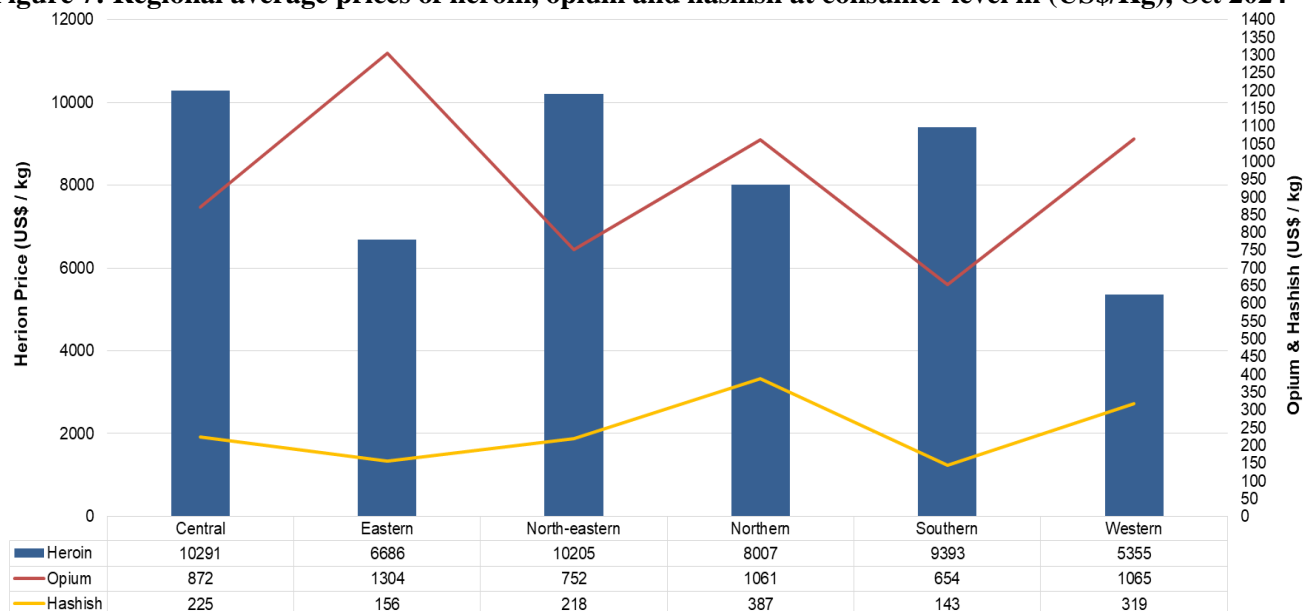
**Table 14: Prices of cannabis and poppy seeds in Afghanistan (US\$/kg), October 2023– October 2024**

Types of seeds	Oct-23	Nov-23	Dec-23	Jan-24	Feb-24	Mar-24	Apr-24	May-24	Jun-24	Jul-24	Aug-24	Sep-24	Oct-24	Increase /Decrease (%)
Cannabis seed	0.923	0.929	0.924	0.933	1.105	1.016	0.980	1.105	1.054	0.920	0.882	0.940	0.902	-4%
Poppy seed	1.336	1.442	1.417	1.603	1.978	1.669	1.659	1.679	1.553	1.468	1.407	1.438	1.400	-3%

## 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), Oct 2024**



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

Types of drug	Average prices in (US\$/kg)													Change (Oct-Sep) (%)
	Oct-23	Nov-23	Dec-23	Jan-24	Feb-24	Mar-24	Apr-24	May-24	Jun-24	Jul-24	Aug-24	Sep-24	Oct-24	
Heroin	4,463	5,605	7,997	7,150	7,624	7,427	7,928	7,500	7,398	8,220	8,016	8,688	8,807	+1%
Opium	496	592	1,502	850	812	867	896	885	871	954	922	934	931	-0.3%
Hashish	165	216	264	214	214	210	226	224	217	226	224	234	249	+7%

## 9. Price of Acetic Anhydride

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

Variety of Acetic Anhydride	Oct-23	Nov-23	Dec-23	Jan-24	Feb-24	Mar-24	Apr-24	May-24	Jun-24	Jul-24	Aug-24	Sep-24	Oct-24	Increase/Decrease (%)
Acetic Anhydride - A* (Garmani)	178	191	182	243	232	245	255	223	204	210	207	220	223	+1%
Acetic Anhydride - B* (Japani)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Acetic Anhydride - C* (Indian)	72	91	143	122	119	126	133	145	155	159	166	155	145	-7%
Acetic Anhydride - D* (Pakistani)	61	88	136	104	90	72	77	80	152	156	162	160	153	-4%
Acetic Anhydride - E* (Chinees)	179	182	203	203	193	199	206	204	198	199	194	179	175	-2%
Acetic Anhydride - F* (Irani)	92	108	116	131	134	103	105	109	96	114	112	120	125	+4%

## 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), September 2024– October 2024**

Average Price Of "Ephedra" For Each Zone (US\$/Kg)			
Region	Sep-24	Oct-24	Change (Oct-Sep) %
Northern	0.72	0.75	+4%
North-east	0.78	0.85	+9%
Western	1.15	0.88	-24%
Central	0.90	0.96	+6%
Southern	1.40	1.43	+2%
Eastern	1.03	0.99	-4%
<b>Average Prices at the level of Afghanistan</b>	<b>1.01</b>	<b>0.99</b>	<b>-2%</b>

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## 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, October 2024**

Province	Types of crops	Price/Kg in Pakistani Rupee (PRs)	Price/Kg in Afghani (AFs)	Price/Kg in (US\$)
Nangarhar	Wheat	-	29	0.4
Nangarhar	Cotton	-	98	1.5
Nangarhar	Rice Imported	-	95	1.5
Nangarhar	Rice Local	-	40	0.6
Balkh	Wheat	-	20	0.3
Balkh	Cotton	-	80	1.2
Balkh	Rice Imported	-	95	1.5
Balkh	Rice Local	-	55	0.8
Badakhshan	Wheat	-	24	0.4
Badakhshan	Rice Imported	-	100	1.5
Badakhshan	Rice Local	-	100	1.0
Takhar	Wheat	-	65	0.3
Takhar	Rice Imported	-	101	1.5
Takhar	Rice Local	-	60	0.9
Helmand	Wheat	-	23	0.4
Helmand	Cotton	-	127	2.0
Helmand	Rice Imported	-	81	1.2
Kandahar	Wheat	-	26	0.4
Kandahar	Cotton	-	132	2.0
Kandahar	Rice Imported	-	80	1.2
Hirat	Wheat	-	17	0.3
Hirat	Cotton	-	165	2.5
Hirat	Saffron	-	131000	1993
Hirat	Rice Imported	-	75	1.1
Hirat	Rice Local	-	58	0.9

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

Types of crops	Oct-23	Nov-23	Dec-23	Jan-24	Feb-24	Mar-24	Apr-24	May-24	Jun-24	Jul-24	Aug-24	Sep-24	Oct-24	Increase/Decrease (%)
Wheat (Local)	0.40	0.41	0.41	0.40	0.43	0.46	0.38	0.33	0.31	0.29	0.30	0.33	0.35	+6%
Cotton	2.07	2.13	2.07	1.90	1.93	1.88	1.94	1.84	1.77	1.79	1.77	1.81	1.85	+2%
Saffron	911	969	1100	1014	982	1108	1736	1714	1668	1655	1776	1961	1993	+2%
Rice (Imported)	1.51	1.50	1.56	1.51	1.64	1.53	1.55	1.46	1.42	1.36	1.29	1.29	1.37	+6%
Rice (Local)	0.84	0.82	0.88	0.95	0.98	1.10	0.96	0.87	0.85	0.79	0.81	0.82	0.85	+4%

## 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 average price of dry opium at the Afghan level has not changed significantly compared to the previous month at the farm-gate and trader levels; however, the average price of fresh opium has decreased by 2.3% and 4.7% of the farm-gate and trader levels, respectively. The reasons for this price decline may include the collection of drug addicts from urban areas, an increase in opium production in Pakistan, the enforcement of laws preventing its purchase and sale within Afghanistan, and the depreciation of the Iranian toman against the US dollar due to the political conditions in the Middle East.

**Note:** If the value of the US dollar against the Afghani had not declined compared to the previous month, the percentage decrease in the dollar price of various drugs would have been more significant.

#### Changes in Opium Prices at the Regional Level:

- In the **Western region**, the price of opium has risen compared to a month ago, attributed to the surge in opium smuggling from Badghis Province to outside the country, the strict ban on poppy cultivation leading to reduced supply in Ghor Province, and the decline in the value of the Iranian toman against the US dollar in Nimroz Province.
- In the **Northeastern region**, the price of opium has not changed significantly.
- In the **Northern region**, the price of opium has not experienced significant changes either.
- In the **Central region**, the price of opium has risen compared to the previous month. This increase is attributed to a decrease in opium supply due to the eradication of poppy fields and a decline in the value of the US dollar against the Afghan currency.
- In the **Southern region**, the price of opium has decreased compared to the previous month. The primary reason for this is the increase in opium production in Pakistan.

**Second Part Cannabis:**

The price of hashish has risen slightly compared to a month ago, primarily due to a decline in hashish production caused by the destruction of farms nationwide; however, hashish users remain prevalent in the country.

**Third Part Heroin:**

Since heroin is derived from opium, the decline in the average price of opium in Afghanistan has resulted in a decrease in the price of heroin. Additionally, the destruction of heroin factories across the country has contributed to this trend. The 3% rise in the price of heroin per dollar (batan 100) is attributed to the increase in its price in Takhar province

**Fourth Part Synthetic Drugs:**

There are two reasons for the rise in the price of most synthetic drugs: the first reason is the enforcement of the law and the destruction of factories across various regions of the country, and the second reason is the devaluation of the US dollar against the Afghani currency.

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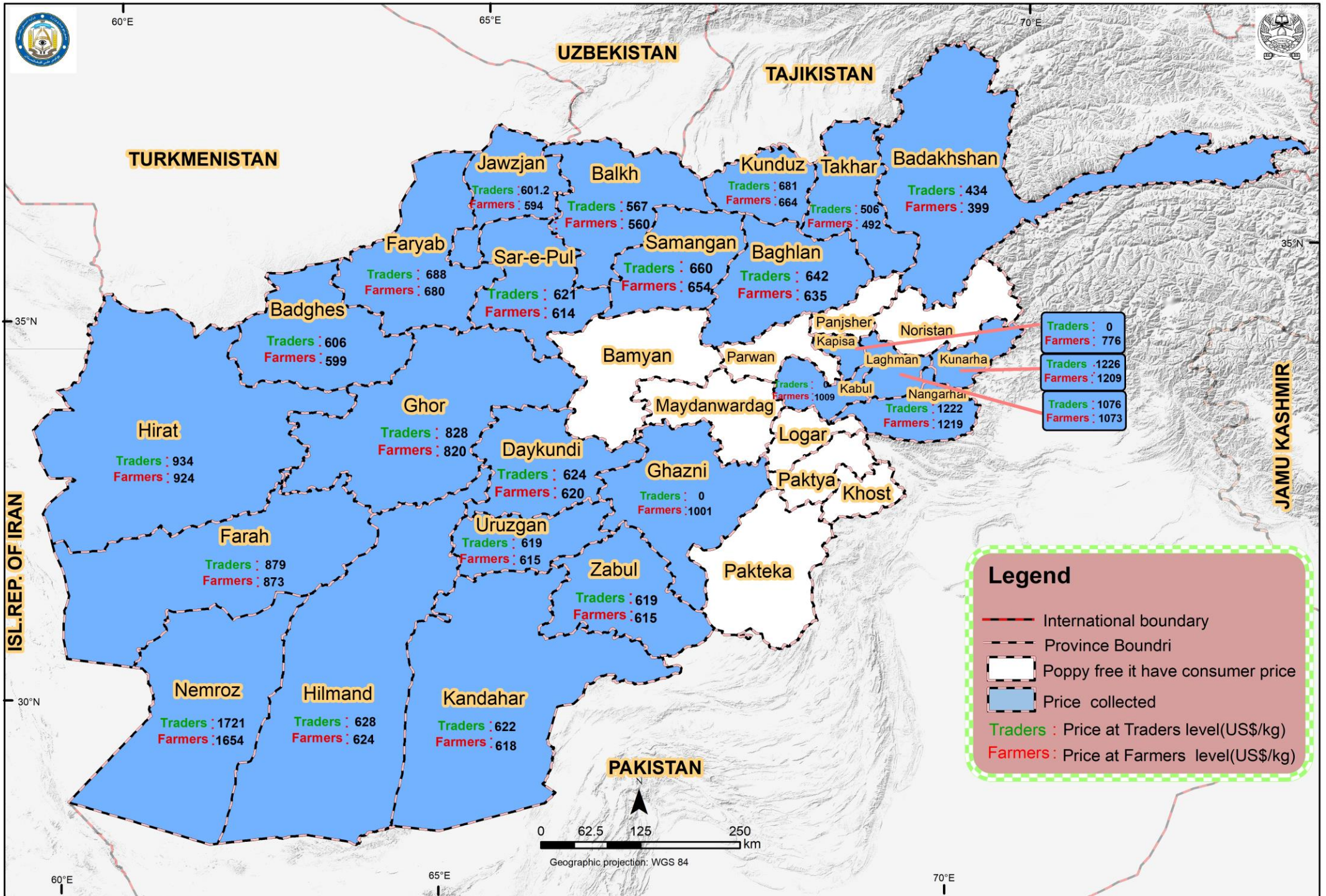
### 13. Methodology

- ❖ 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 observations (n)		Number of provinces price collected
	Farm-gate price	Trader price	
<b>Dry Opium</b>	163	167	25
<b>Fresh Opium</b>	107	107	17

# Afghanistan: Average dry Opium Price (October, 2024)







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