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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		
	November_2024	December_2024	Change %	December_2023	December_2024	Change %
Dry opium Farm-gate price (US\$/Kg)	766	671	-12.5%	818	671	-18%
Dry opium Trader price (US\$/Kg)	779	682	-12.4%	836	682	-18%
Fresh Opium Farm-gate price (US\$/Kg)	485	405	-16.5%	626	405	-35%
Fresh Opium Trader price (US\$/Kg)	497	428	-14%	641	428	-33%
Heroin Batan_100 (US\$/Kg)	10996	10382	-5.6%	-	10382	-
Heroin White powder (Crystal) - 60% (US\$/Kg)	6508	5762	-11.5%	7960	5762	-28%
Heroin White powder (Crystal) - 40% (US\$/Kg)	5166	4910	-4.9%	6396	4910	-23%
Morphine (US\$/Kg)	5184	4622	-10.8%	6012	4622	-23%
Cannabis resin (Garda # 1) Price in (US\$/Kg)	244	230	-6%	200	230	+15%
Cannabis resin (Garda # 2) Price in (US\$/Kg)	155	149	-4%	136	149	+10%
Cannabis resin (Garda # 3) Price in (US\$/Kg)	135	117	-13%	108	117	+8%
Methamphetamine (Imported) (US\$/Gram)	2.10	2.06	-2%	1.79	2.06	+15%
Methamphetamine (Local) (US\$/Gram)	1.32	1.21	-9%	1.42	1.21	-15%
Sosegon (Imported) (US\$/Ampoule)	1.35	1.32	-2%	2.28	1.32	-42%
Sosegon (Local) (US\$/Ampoule)	1.05	0.88	-16%	0.82	0.88	+8%
MDMA (Tablet -K) A (US\$/Tablet)	15.61	15.07	-3%	15.6	15.07	-4%
MDMA (Tablet -K) B (US\$/Tablet)	6.37	5.50	-14%	10.0	5.50	-45%
MDMA (Tablet -K) C (US\$/Tablet)	5.37	5.25	-2%	7.0	5.25	-25%
MDMA (Tablet -K) D (US\$/Tablet)	3.18	2.64	-17%	3.51	2.64	-25%

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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 December 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\$ 671/kg) at the end of December 2024, which is 12.5% Lower compared to the price reported in November 2024 (US\$ 766/kg). The average dry opium price at the farm-gate level in December 2024 is 18 % Lower than the price reported in December 2023, which was (US\$ 818/kg).

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



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

Region	Price of Dry Opium (US\$/Kg)		Price change (%)
	Nov-24	Dec-24	
Eastern region (Kunar, Laghman and Nangarhar)	1187	1068	-10%
Southern region (Hilmand, Kandahar, Uruzgan, Zabul and diykundy)	605	525	-13%
Western region (Badghis, Farah, Ghor, Hirat and Nimroz)	916	727	-21%
North-eastern region (Badakhshan, Kunduz and Takhar)	473	445	-6%
Northern region (Baghlan, Balkh, Faryab, Sur-Pul, Jawzjan and Samangan)	558	490	-12%
Central region (Kabul, Ghazni and Kapisa)	905	919	+1%
Average	766	671	-12.5%

3.1.2 Trader Price

The national average dry opium price collected from traders was (US\$ 682/kg) at the end of December 2024, showing 12.4% decrease compared to the price reported last month in November 2024 (US\$ 779/kg).

The average dry opium price at trader level in December 2024 is 18% Lower than the price reported last year in December 2023, which was (US\$ 836/kg).

Dry opium price collected from traders has decreased by 20%, 13%, 12%, 10% and 6% in the Western, Southern, Northern, Eastern and North-eastern regions respectively.

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

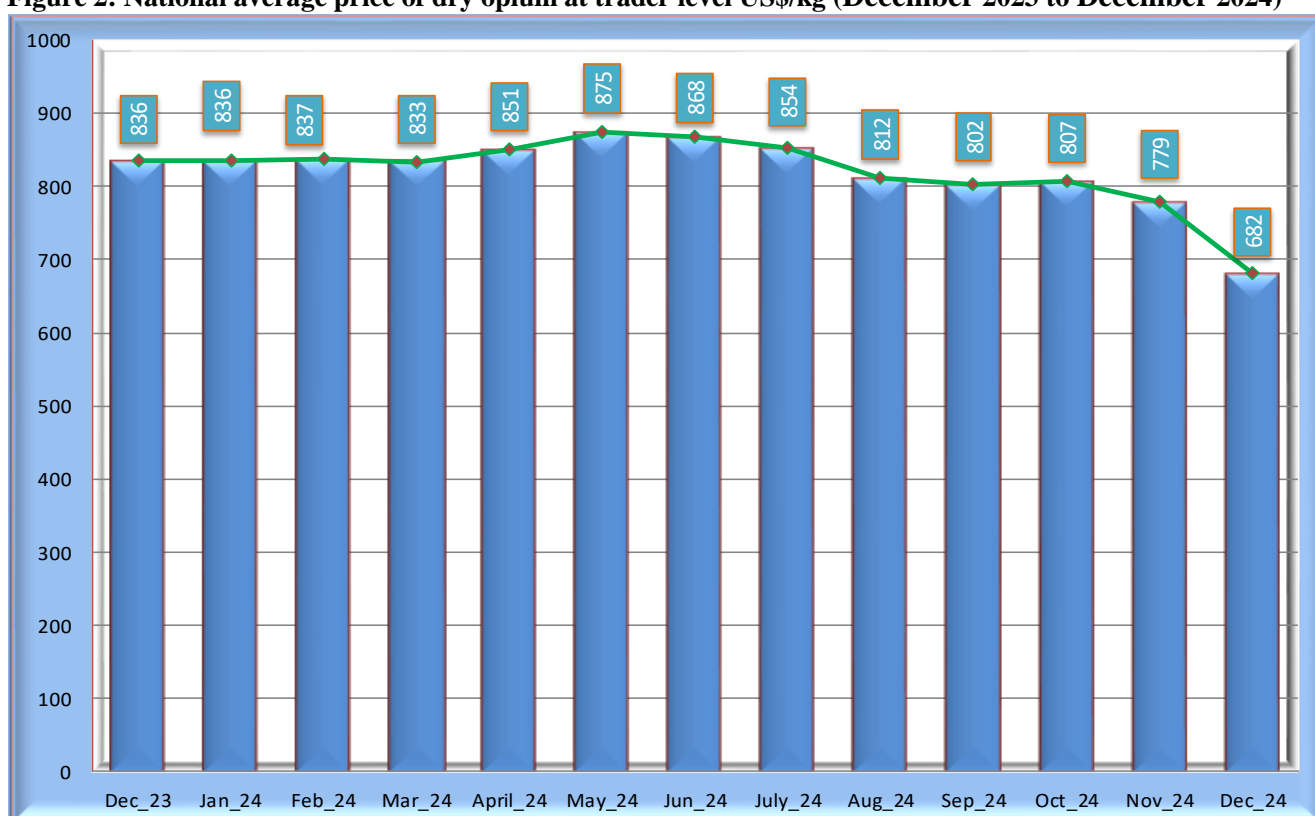


Table 3: Regional average price of dry opium from traders US\$/Kg (November 2024 to December 2024)

Region	Price of Dry Opium (US\$/Kg)		Price change (%)
	Nov-24	Dec-24	
Eastern region (Kunar, Laghman and Nangarhar)	1190	1071	-10%
Southern region (Hilmand, Kandahar, Uruzgan, Zabul and diykundy)	611	531	-13%
Western region (Badghis, Farah, Ghor, Hirat and Nimroz)	938	755	-20%
North-eastern region (Badakhshan, Kunduz and Takhar)	507	478	-6%
Northern region (Baghlan, Balkh, Faryab, Sur-Pul, Jawzjan and Samangan)	566	496	-12%
Central region (Kabul, Ghazni and Kapisa)	-	-	-
Average	779	682	-12.4%

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\$ 751/kg) in December 2024, showing a decrease of 3% compared to the price reported in November 2024 (US\$ 777/kg). The average price of one kilogram of Chaynaki dry opium at the farm-gate level in Hilmand province was (US\$ 756/kg) in December 2024, showing a decrease of 9% compared to the price reported in November 2024 (US\$ 832/kg).

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

Dry Opium (Chaynaki quality)	Balkh		Price change (Dec - Nov) %	Hilmand		Price change (Dec - Nov) %
	Nov-24	Dec-24		Nov-24	Dec-24	
<i>Farm-gate price</i> (US\$/Kg)	777	751	-3%	832	756	-9%

3.2.2. Trader price

In Balkh province, the average price of one kilogram of *Chaynaki* dry opium at trader level was (US\$ 760/kg) in December 2024, showing a decrease of 3% compared to the price reported in November 2024 (US\$ 786/kg). In Hilmand province, the average price of one kilogram of Chaynaki dry opium at trader level was (US\$ 760/kg) in December 2024, showing a decrease of 10% compared to the price reported in November 2024 (US\$ 846/kg).

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

Dry Opium (Chaynaki quality)	Balkh		Price change (Dec - Nov) %	Hilmand		Price change (Dec - Nov) %
	Nov-24	Dec-24		Nov-24	Dec-24	
<i>Trader price</i> (US\$/Kg)	786	760	-3%	846	760	-10%

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 (Dec-Nov) (%)	Change at trader level (Dec-Nov) (%)
		Nov-24		Dec-24			
		Farm-gate	Trader	Farm-gate	Trader		
Eastern region (Kunar, Laghman and Nangarhar)	Pakistani Rupee	329694	330519	296356	297214	-10%	-10%
Southern region (Hilmand, Kandahar, Uruzgan and Zabul and diykundi)	Pakistani Rupee	167849	169606	145627	147384	-13%	-13%
Western region (Badghis and Ghor)*	Afghani	50035	51605	44135	46020	-12%	-11%
Western region (Farah, Hirat and Nimroz)*	Imanian Tuman	48553206	49415550	36278293	37256259	-25%	-25%
North-eastern region (Badakhshan, Kunduz and Takhar)	Afghani	31687	33959	30921	33164	-2%	-2%
Northern region (Baghlan, Balkh, Faryab, Suri-Pul, Jawzjan and Samangan)	Afghani	37425	37900	33882	34314	-9%	-9%
Central region (Kabul, Ghazni and Kapisa)	Afghani	60833	-	63667	-	+5%	-

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

3.3 Fresh Opium

At the end of December 2024, the national average price of fresh opium decreased by 16.5% from (US\$ 485/kg) in November 2024 to (US\$ 405/kg) in December 2024 at the farm-gate level. Similarly, the national average price of fresh opium at trader level decreased by 14% from (US\$ 497/kg) in November 2024 to (US\$ 428/kg) in December 2024.

Figure 3: National average price of fresh opium at farm-gate and trader level US\$/kg (June 2005 to December 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 (Dec-Nov) (%)	Change at trader level (Dec-Nov) (%)
		Nov-24		Dec-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	130903	132760	113829	115556	-13%	-13%
Western region (Badghis and Ghor) *	Afghani	36255	37248	31980	33085	-12%	-11%
Western region (Farah, Hirat and Nimroz) *	Imanian Tuman	28328488	28977176	19927479	21920562	-30%	-24%
North-eastern region (Badakhshan, Kunduz and Takhar)	Afghani	27967	29072	26382	27887	-6%	-4%
Northern region (Baghlan, Balkh, Faryab, Suri-Pul, Jawzjan and Samangan)	Afghani	30667	31142	24320	24740	-21%	-21%
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 heroin¹ 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\$ 324/kg) is called as Khata - 2 reported in Nangarhar province.

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

Provinces	Types of heroin	Dec-23	Jan-24	Feb-24	Mar-24	Apr-24	May-24	Jun-24	Jul-24	Aug-24	Sep-24	Oct-24	Nov-24	Dec-24	Change (Dec - Nov) %
Badakhshan	Batan (100)	-	-	-	11,000	-	11,708	11,554	11,230	10,769	11,273	11,288	11,236	10,684	-4.9%
	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	9,634	10,313	9,538	9,534	11,122	10,697	10,020	8,050	7,475	7,812	7,910	7,919	7,344	-7.3%
Takhar	Batan (100)	-	-	-	-	-	12,134	10,698	9,998	9,618	10,123	10,801	10,757	10,080	-6.3%
	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	10,141	11,787	10,040	10,072	10,100	10,644	9,699	8,193	7,318	7,887	7,621	7,470	7,056	-5.6%
	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	7,876	8,735	8,032	8,057	8,082	8,834	8,701	7,305	6,136	5,028	5,096	4,856	4,248	-12.5%
Kunduz	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	11,140	12,734	10,542	10,575	9,823	10,332	9,628	8,308	7,017	6,416	6,420	6,454	6,077	-5.9%
Nangarhar	Off- white powder (Batan)	5,653	6,334	6,387	8,202	8,574	8,569	8,632	8,689	8,735	8,736	8,723	8,823	7,245	-17.9%
	Best powder	5,236	5,473	5,518	7,015	7,409	7,410	7,469	7,501	7,945	7,499	6,932	7,005	5,515	-21.3%
	Chara # 1	838	1,242	1,270	1,331	1,435	1,447	1,451	1,569	1,609	1,594	1,560	1,585	1,262	-20.4%
	Chara # 2	642	700	583	630	681	702	745	759	808	786	758	778	701	-9.9%
	Khata # 1	178	287	322	342	386	403.2	439.1	450	478	451	415	450	378	-15.9%
	Khata # 2	143	201	233	252	281	306	342	353	374	361	343	353	324	-8.1%
Faryab	Off- white powder (Batan) - high quality-60%	5,740	5,571	5,816	6,271	6,761	7,215	6,016	6,086	6,002	6,158	6,313	5,966	5,663	-5.1%
	Off- white powder (Batan) - low quality-40%	4,121	4,248	4,431	4,703	5,071	5,388	5,300	5,327	5,259	5,372	5,543	5,220	4,912	-5.9%
Balkh	Off- white powder (Batan) - high quality-60%	5,593	5,555	5,962	6,263	6,604	6,770	6,880	6,876	6,805	7,045	7,237	6,929	6,571	-5.2%
	Off- white powder (Batan) - low quality-40%	4,097	4,097	4,506	4,982	5,340	5,642	5,447	5,543	5,504	5,680	5,851	5,555	5,304	-4.5%
	Best powder 20%	2,179	2,222	2,496	2,705	2,810	3,103	2,867	3,008	2,959	3,040	3,080	2,912	2,717	-6.7%
Helmand	Off- white powder (Batan) - high quality	6,638	5,949	5,957	6,118	5,942	5,576	5,751	6,126	6,294	5,959	4,866	4,862	4,505	-7.3%
	Off- white powder (Batan) - low quality	6,424	5,734	5,742	5,974	5,762	5,396	5,535	5,909	6,114	5,778	4,686	4,682	4,325	-7.6%
	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	10,456	8,709	8,721	8,277	8,102	7,374	8,267	8,648	8,811	8,486	7,028	7,023	5,947	-15.3%
	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	10,242	8,852	8,864	8,457	8,282	7,554	7,979	8,360	8,595	8,270	6,812	6,807	6,091	-10.5%
	Morphine	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Kandahar	Off- white powder (Batan) - high quality	6,638	5,949	5,957	6,082	5,942	5,576	5,751	6,126	6,294	5,959	4,866	4,862	4,505	-7.3%
	Off- white powder (Batan) - low quality	6,424	5,734	5,742	5,830	5,762	5,396	5,535	5,909	6,114	5,778	4,686	4,682	4,325	-7.6%
	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	10,349	8,601	8,613	8,349	8,354	7,374	8,267	8,612	8,631	8,306	7,209	7,023	5,947	-15.3%
	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	10,099	8,709	8,721	8,457	8,210	7,554	7,979	8,288	8,415	8,089	6,992	6,807	6,091	-10.5%
	Morphine	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Badghis	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	2,752	3,438	3,988	4,098	4,005	3,957	4,065	4,011	4,038	4,159	4,092	4,004	3,989	-0.4%
Hirat	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	6,954	6,876	6,896	7,256	7,237	7,279	7,132	7,248	6,874	7,129	7,150	6,350	5,544	-12.7%
	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	6,084	6,034	6,038	6,047	6,324	5,371	5,206	5,085	4,941	4,233	4,183	4,094	-	-
	Best powder	7,968	7,858	7,963	8,537	7,940	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Morphine	5,940	5,823	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,639	-	-	-	4,781	-
Farah	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	7,823	7,717	6,924	6,972	7,870	7,067	6,989	6,876	6,444	7,278	6,846	6,723	5,178	-23.0%
	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	8,692	9,121	8,690	8,893	6,464	5,936	5,848	6,052	5,639	5,822	5,362	5,401	-	-
	Morphine	6,084	7,016	6,301	6,403	6,324	5,229	5,135	5,873	5,370	5,531	5,111	5,184	4,464	-13.9%
Nimroz	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	4,418	4,420	4,099	5,357	5,354	7,040	7,162	7,131	7,499	-	-	-	4,810	-
	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	3,549	3,508	3,462	4,524	4,521	5,073	5,321	4,728	4,742	4,049	4,998	4,714	-	-
	Best powder	5,795	6,314	6,190	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,246	5,355	5,190	4,998	-3.7%
	Morphine	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

¹ 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 %
			Nov-24	Dec-24	
Badakhshan	Batan (100)	Afghani	752,000	742,000	-1%
	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	Afghani	530,000	510,000	-4%
Takhar	Batan (100)	Afghani	720,000	700,000	-3%
	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	Afghani	500,000	490,000	-2%
	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	Afghani	325,000	295,000	-9%
Kunduz	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	Afghani	432,000	422,000	-2%
Nangarhar	Off- white powder (Batan)	Pakistani Rupee	2,450,000	2,010,000	-18%
	Bist powder	Pakistani Rupee	1,945,000	1,530,000	-21%
	Chara # 1	Pakistani Rupee	440,000	350,000	-20%
	Chara # 2	Pakistani Rupee	216,000	194,400	-10%
	Khata # 1	Pakistani Rupee	125,000	105,000	-16%
	Khata # 2	Pakistani Rupee	98,000	90,000	-8%
Faryab	Off- white powder (Batan) - high quality -60%	Afghani	400,000	392,000	-2%
	Off- white powder (Batan) - low quality -40%	Afghani	350,000	340,000	-3%
Balkh	Off- white powder (Batan) - high quality -60%	Afghani	464,000	454,720	-2%
	Off- white powder (Batan) - low quality -40%	Afghani	372,000	367,000	-1%
	Bist powder - 20%	Afghani	195,000	188,000	-4%
Helmand	Off- white powder (Batan) - high quality	Pakistani Rupee	1,350,000	1,250,000	-7%
	Off- white powder (Batan) - low quality	Pakistani Rupee	1,300,000	1,200,000	-8%
	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	Pakistani Rupee	1,950,000	1,650,000	-15%
	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	Pakistani Rupee	1,890,000	1,690,000	-11%
	Morphine	Pakistani Rupee	-	-	-
Kandahar	Off- white powder (Batan) - high quality	Pakistani Rupee	1,350,000	1,250,000	-7%
	Off- white powder (Batan) - low quality	Pakistani Rupee	1,300,000	1,200,000	-8%
	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	Pakistani Rupee	1,950,000	1,650,000	-15%
	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	Pakistani Rupee	1,890,000	1,690,000	-11%
	Morphine	Pakistani Rupee	-	-	-
Badghis	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	Afghani	268,000	277,000	+3%
Hirat	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	Afghani	425,000	385,000	-9%
	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	Afghani	274,000	-	-
	Bist powder	Afghani	-	-	-
	Morphine	Afghani	-	332,000	-
Farah	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	Afghani	450,000	359,600	-20%
	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	Afghani	361,500	-	-
	Morphine	Afghani	347000	310000	-11%
Nimruz	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	Afghani	-	334005	-
	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	Afghani	315530	-	-
	Bist powder	Afghani	347401	347074	-0.1%
	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.

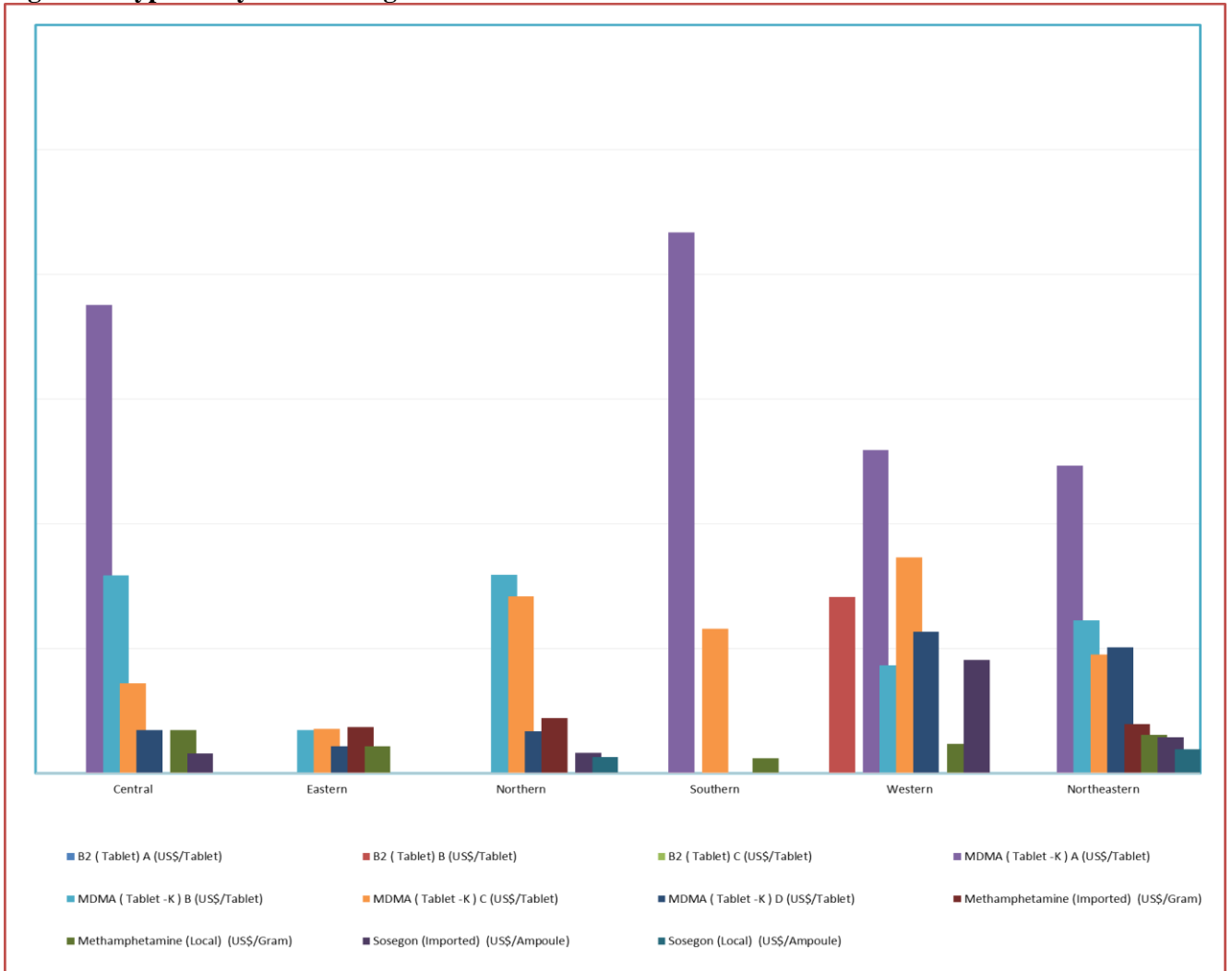
Synthetic drugs, could be addictive and creates a serious threat on the health of every one in daily life. Methamphetamine², Tablet K and Sosegon are available in Afghanistan, which Methamphetamine is sold in various names in Afghanistan. And Sheesha is the common name for Methamphetamine, for details of its cheap price and accessible for youth.

² 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	Dec-24
Central	Methamphetamine (Imported) (US\$/Gram)	-
	Methamphetamine (Local) (US\$/Gram)	1.7
	Sosegon (Imported) (US\$/Ampoule)	0.79
	Sosegon (Local) (US\$/Ampoule)	-
	MDMA (Tablet -K) A (US\$/Tablet)	18.8
	MDMA (Tablet -K) B (US\$/Tablet)	7.9
	MDMA (Tablet -K) C (US\$/Tablet)	3.6
	MDMA (Tablet -K) D (US\$/Tablet)	1.7
	B2 (Tablet) A (US\$/Tablet)	-
B2 (Tablet) B (US\$/Tablet)	-	
B2 (Tablet) C (US\$/Tablet)	-	
Eastern	Methamphetamine (Imported) (US\$/Gram)	1.9
	Methamphetamine (Local) (US\$/Gram)	1.1
	Sosegon (Imported) (US\$/Ampoule)	-
	Sosegon (Local) (US\$/Ampoule)	-
	MDMA (Tablet -K) A (US\$/Tablet)	-
	MDMA (Tablet -K) B (US\$/Tablet)	1.7
	MDMA (Tablet -K) C (US\$/Tablet)	1.8
	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)	2.2
	Methamphetamine (Local) (US\$/Gram)	-
	Sosegon (Imported) (US\$/Ampoule)	0.8
	Sosegon (Local) (US\$/Ampoule)	0.7
	MDMA (Tablet -K) A (US\$/Tablet)	-
	MDMA (Tablet -K) B (US\$/Tablet)	8.0
	MDMA (Tablet -K) C (US\$/Tablet)	7.1
	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)	0.6
	Sosegon (Imported) (US\$/Ampoule)	-
	Sosegon (Local) (US\$/Ampoule)	-
	MDMA (Tablet -K) A (US\$/Tablet)	21.7
	MDMA (Tablet -K) B (US\$/Tablet)	-
	MDMA (Tablet -K) C (US\$/Tablet)	5.8
	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)	1.2
	Sosegon (Imported) (US\$/Ampoule)	4.5
	Sosegon (Local) (US\$/Ampoule)	-
	MDMA (Tablet -K) A (US\$/Tablet)	13.0
	MDMA (Tablet -K) B (US\$/Tablet)	4.3
	MDMA (Tablet -K) C (US\$/Tablet)	8.6
	MDMA (Tablet -K) D (US\$/Tablet)	5.7
	B2 (Tablet) A (US\$/Tablet)	-
B2 (Tablet) B (US\$/Tablet)	7.1	
B2 (Tablet) C (US\$/Tablet)	-	
Northeastern	Methamphetamine (Imported) (US\$/Gram)	2.0
	Methamphetamine (Local) (US\$/Gram)	1.5
	Sosegon (Imported) (US\$/Ampoule)	1.4
	Sosegon (Local) (US\$/Ampoule)	1.0
	MDMA (Tablet -K) A (US\$/Tablet)	12.3
	MDMA (Tablet -K) B (US\$/Tablet)	6.1
	MDMA (Tablet -K) C (US\$/Tablet)	4.8
	MDMA (Tablet -K) D (US\$/Tablet)	5.0
	B2 (Tablet) A (US\$/Tablet)	-
B2 (Tablet) B (US\$/Tablet)	-	
B2 (Tablet) C (US\$/Tablet)	-	

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



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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), Dec 2023–Dec 2024

Province	Types of cannabis resin	Types of resin	Dec-23	Jan-24	Feb-24	Mar-24	Apr-24	May-24	Jun-24	Jul-24	Aug-24	Sep-24	Oct-24	Nov-24	Dec-24	Change (Dec - Nov) %
Nangarhar	Garda # 1	Garda # 1	86	108	100	90	94	101	104	112	115	108	101	90	80	-12%
Nangarhar	Garda # 2	Garda # 2	64	79	72	65	68	69	72	77	79	76	72	64	63	-2%
Nangarhar	Garda # 3	Garda # 3	43	57	54	50	52	56	54	61	68	65	61	55	54	-1%
Faryab	Garda # 1 (Sherak)	Garda # 1	224	223	194	214	239	252	215	222	203	267	285	268	257	-4%
Faryab	Garda # 2 (Morhajoshi)	Garda # 2	188	195	166	185	204	208	186	189	171	223	234	224	212	-5%
Faryab	Garda # 3 (khaka)	Garda # 3	159	167	138	143	162	150	135	140	131	178	189	179	168	-6%
Balkh	Garda # 1 (Patnosi)	Garda # 1	189	194	189	199	216	230	218	232	192	297	320	293	254	-13%
Balkh	Garda # 2 (Morhajoshi)	Garda # 2	145	167	154	171	190	195	182	198	153	237	253	221	184	-17%
Balkh	Garda # 3 (khaka)	Garda # 3	116	139	140	142	157	172	163	175	123	178	188	155	123	-21%
Baghlan	Garda # 1 (Chaki)	Garda # 1	210	216	209	213	221	224	207	215	200	310	308	269	234	-13%
Baghlan	Garda # 2 (Morhajoshi)	Garda # 2	152	154	146	157	173	177	160	172	157	243	246	209	178	-15%
Baghlan	Garda # 3 (khaka)	Garda # 3	116	119	111	121	132	134	125	139	129	199	200	149	123	-18%
Badakhshan	Garda # 1 (Shirak)	Garda # 1	217	217	210	213	218	207	213	236	243	260	280	276	252	-9%
Takhar	Garda # 1 (Shirak)	Garda # 1	235	232	217	221	225	238	244	208	215	238	254	284	245	-14%
Kandahar	Garda # 1 (Sherak)	Garda # 1	182	94	92	92	116	96	100	124	144	136	116	160	200	+25%
Kandahar	Garda # 2	Garda # 2	143	52	49	48	52	44	48	56	76	68	48	80	100	+25%
Kandahar	Garda # 3	Garda # 3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hirat	Garda # 1 (Sherak)	Garda # 1	275	295	277	299	302	233	221	236	215	252	262	291	302	+4%
Hirat	Garda # 2 (Morhajoshi)	Garda # 2	123	126	118	135	141	155	136	143	150	178	190	202	158	-21%
Panjshir	Garda # 1 (Jooshi)	Garda # 1	180	193	205	184	217	213	210	251	248	263	310	313	245	-22%
Panjshir	Garda # 2 (Morhajoshi)	Garda # 2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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

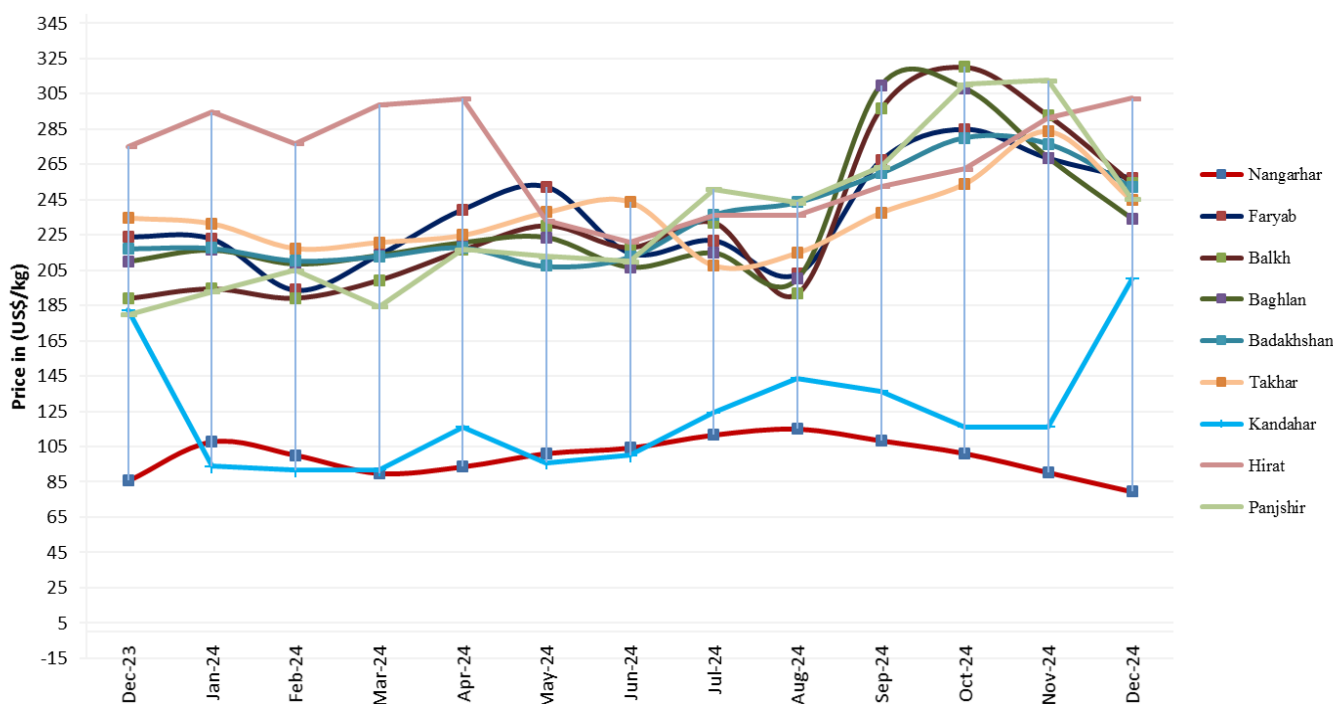
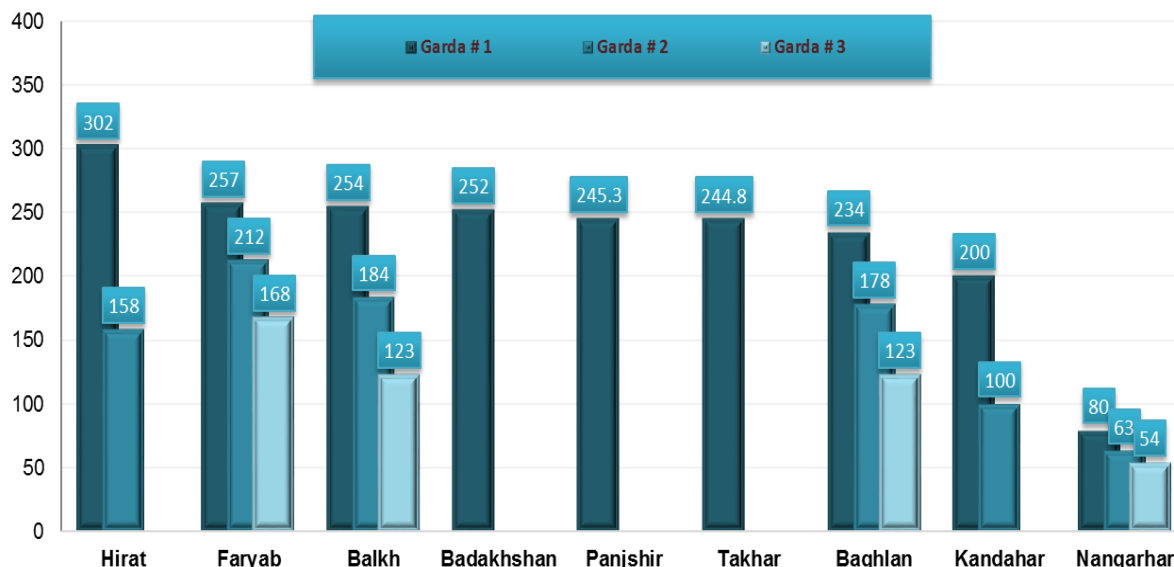


Figure 6: Prices of different types of cannabis resin in Afghanistan (US\$/kg), December 2024

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

Province	Types of cannabis resin	Local currency	Prices of 1 kg of different types of cannabis resin in local currency		Change (Dec - Nov) %
			Nov-24	Dec-24	
Nangarhar	Garda # 1	Pakistani Rupee	25,000	22,000	-12%
	Garda # 2	Pakistani Rupee	17,800	17,500	-2%
	Garda # 3	Pakistani Rupee	15,130	15,000	-1%
Faryab	Garda # 1 (Sherak)	Afghani	18,000	17,800	-1%
	Garda # 2 (Morhajosh)	Afghani	15,000	14,700	-2%
	Garda # 3 (khaka)	Afghani	12,000	11,600	-3%
Balkh	Garda # 1 (Patnosi)	Afghani	19,600	17,600	-10%
	Garda # 2 (Morhajosh)	Afghani	14,800	12,700	-14%
	Garda # 3 (khaka)	Afghani	10,400	8,500	-18%
Baghlan	Garda # 1 (Chaki)	Afghani	18,000	16,200	-10%
	Garda # 2 (Morhajosh)	Afghani	14,000	12,300	-12%
	Garda # 3 (khaka)	Afghani	10,000	8,500	-15%
Badakhshan	Garda # 1 (Shirak)	Afghani	18,500	17,500	-5%
Takhar	Garda # 1 (Shirak)	Afghani	19,000	17,000	-11%
Kandahar	Garda # 1 (Sherak)	Pakistani Rupee	32,222	55,556	+72%
	Garda # 2	Pakistani Rupee	13,333	27,778	+108%
	Garda # 3	Pakistani Rupee	-	-	-
Hirat	Garda # 1	Afghani	19,500	21,000	+8%
	Garda # 2	Afghani	13,500	11,000	-19%
Panjshir	Garda # 1 (Jooshi)	Pakistani Rupee	21,000	17,000	-19%
	Garda # 2 (Morhajosh)	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, Nov 2024– Dec 2024

Province	Types of seed	Local currency	Prices of 1 kg of cannabis seed and poppy seed in local currency		Change %
			Nov-24	Dec-24	
Badakhshan	Poppy seed	Afghani	90	85	-6%
	Cannabis seed	Afghani	40	38	-5%
Takhar	Poppy seed	Afghani	90	90	0%
	Cannabis seed	Afghani	50	45	-10%
Balkh	Poppy seed	Afghani	85	90	+6%
	Cannabis seed	Afghani	80	80	0%
Baghlan	Poppy seed	Afghani	90	100	+11%
	Cannabis seed	Afghani	84	90	+7%
Faryab	Poppy seed	Afghani	110	120	+9%
	Cannabis seed	Afghani	70	73	+4%
Hirat	Poppy seed	Afghani	95	90	-5%
	Cannabis seed	Afghani	80	80	0%
Farah	Poppy seed	Afghani	140	130	-7%
	Cannabis seed	Afghani	75	80	+7%
Hilmand	Poppy seed	Afghani	70	55	-21%
	Cannabis seed	Afghani	48	47	-3%
Kandahar	Poppy seed	Afghani	67	55	-17%
	Cannabis seed	Afghani	48	47	-3%
Zabul	Poppy seed	Afghani	73	55	-24%
	Cannabis seed	Afghani	54	53	-2%
Uruzgan	Poppy seed	Afghani	67	58	-13%
	Cannabis seed	Afghani	56	53	-7%
Nangarhar	Poppy seed	Pakistani Ruppee	425	390	-8%
	Cannabis seed	Pakistani Ruppee	80	65	-19%
Kunar	Poppy seed	Pakistani Ruppee	250	250	0%
	Cannabis seed	Pakistani Ruppee	-	-	-
Laghman	Poppy seed	Pakistani Ruppee	170	180	+6%
	Cannabis seed	Pakistani Ruppee	130	135	+4%
Kabul	Poppy seed	Afghani	220	250	+14%
Ghazni	Cannabis seed	Afghani	-	-	-
Kapisa	Poppy seed	Afghani	130	120	-8%

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

Types of seeds	Dec-23	Jan-24	Feb-24	Mar-24	Apr-24	May-24	Jun-24	Jul-24	Aug-24	Sep-24	Oct-24	Nov-24	Dec-24	Increase/Dec rease (%)
Cannabis seed	0.924	0.933	1.105	1.016	0.980	1.105	1.054	0.920	0.882	0.940	0.902	0.849	0.817	-4%
Poppy seed	1.417	1.603	1.978	1.669	1.659	1.679	1.553	1.468	1.407	1.438	1.400	1.467	1.356	-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), Dec 2024

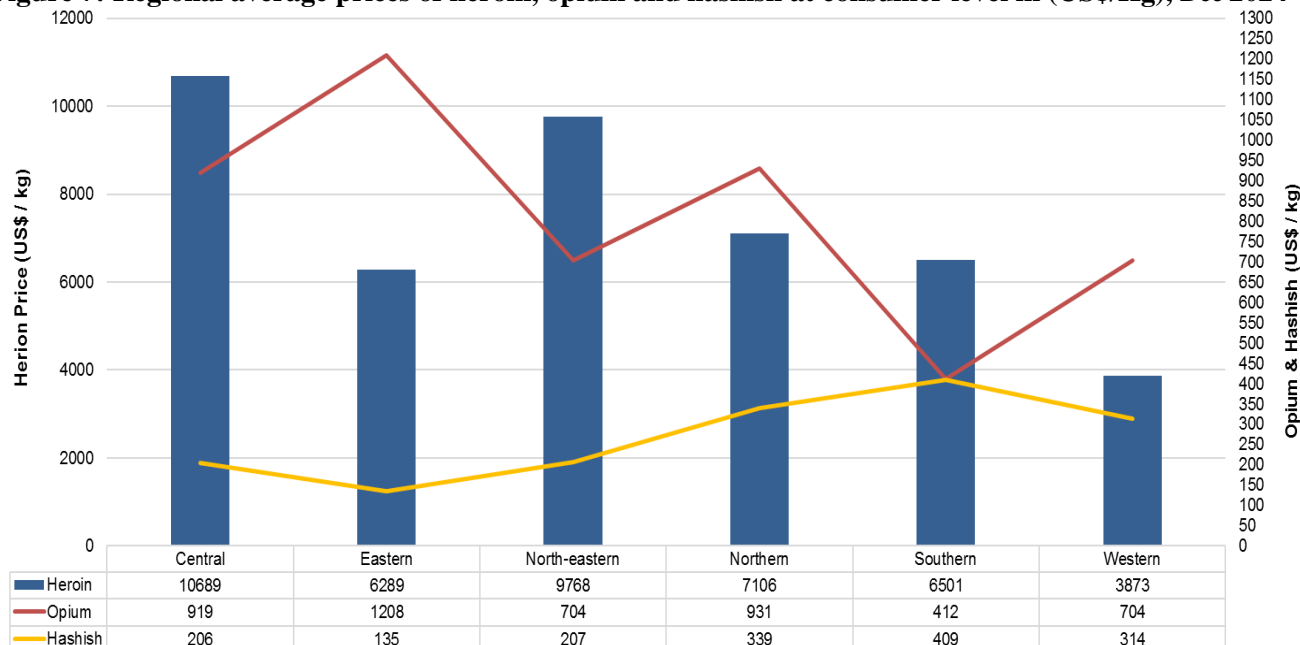


Table 15: Average prices of heroin, opium and hashish at consumer level in Afghanistan (US\$/kg), Dec 23 – Dec 24

Types of drug	Average prices in (US\$/kg)													Change (Dec-Nov) (%)
	Dec-23	Jan-24	Feb-24	Mar-24	Apr-24	May-24	Jun-24	Jul-24	Aug-24	Sep-24	Oct-24	Nov-24	Dec-24	
Heroin	7,997	7,150	7,624	7,427	7,928	7,500	7,398	8,220	8,016	8,688	8,807	8,674	8,070	-7%
Opium	1,502	850	812	867	896	885	871	954	922	934	931	905	815	-10%
Hashish	264	214	214	210	226	224	217	226	224	234	249	244	271	+11%

9. Price of Acetic Anhydride

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

Variety of Acetic Anhydride	Dec-23	Jan-24	Feb-24	Mar-24	Apr-24	May-24	Jun-24	Jul-24	Aug-24	Sep-24	Oct-24	Nov-24	Dec-24	Increase/Decrease (%)
Acetic Anhydride - A* (Garmani)	182	243	232	245	255	223	204	210	207	220	223	218	200	-8%
Acetic Anhydride - B* (Japani)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Acetic Anhydride - C* (Indian)	143	122	119	126	133	145	155	159	166	155	145	180	144	-20%
Acetic Anhydride - D* (Pakistani)	136	104	90	72	77	80	152	156	162	160	153	151	126	-17%
Acetic Anhydride - E* (Chinees)	203	203	193	199	206	204	198	199	194	179	175	190	169	-11%
Acetic Anhydride - F* (Irani)	116	131	134	103	105	109	96	114	112	120	125	108	131	+21%

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), November 2024– December 2024

Average Price Of "Ephedra" For Each Zone (US\$/Kg)			
Region	Nov-24	Dec-24	Change %
Northern	0.69	0.85	+8%
North-east	0.82	0.74	-9%
Western	0.79	0.72	-9%
Central	0.92	0.82	-11%
Southern	1.42	1.24	-13%
Eastern	0.98	0.91	-7%
Average Prices for Afghanistan	0.95	0.89	-8%

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, December 2024

Province	Types of crops	Price/Kg in Pakistani Rupee (PRs)	Price/Kg in Afghani (AFs)	Price/Kg in (US\$)
Nangarhar	Wheat	-	31	0.4
Nangarhar	Cotton	-	100	1.4
Nangarhar	Rice Imported	-	85	1.2
Nangarhar	Rice Local	-	35	0.5
Balkh	Wheat	-	22	0.3
Balkh	Cotton	-	77	1.1
Balkh	Rice Imported	-	95	1.4
Balkh	Rice Local	-	54	0.8
Badakhshan	Wheat	-	23	0.3
Badakhshan	Rice Imported	-	100	1.4
Badakhshan	Rice Local	-	100	0.9
Takhar	Wheat	-	65	0.3
Takhar	Rice Imported	-	100	1.4
Takhar	Rice Local	-	59	0.8
Helmand	Wheat	-	24	0.3
Helmand	Cotton	-	129	1.9
Helmand	Rice Imported	-	80	1.2
Kandahar	Wheat	-	25	0.4
Kandahar	Cotton	-	133	1.9
Kandahar	Rice Imported	-	79	1.1
Hirat	Wheat	-	18	0.3
Hirat	Cotton	-	165	2.4
Hirat	Saffron	-	129000	1858
Hirat	Rice Imported	-	80	1.2
Hirat	Rice Local	-	60	0.9

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

Types of crops	Dec-23	Jan-24	Feb-24	Mar-24	Apr-24	May-24	Jun-24	Jul-24	Aug-24	Sep-24	Oct-24	Nov-24	Dec-24	Increase/Decrease (%)
Wheat (Local)	0.41	0.40	0.43	0.46	0.38	0.33	0.31	0.29	0.30	0.33	0.35	0.34	0.34	-1%
Cotton	2.07	1.90	1.93	1.88	1.94	1.84	1.77	1.79	1.77	1.81	1.85	1.82	1.74	-4%
Saffron	1100	1014	982	1108	1736	1714	1668	1655	1776	1961	1993	1927	1858	-4%
Rice (Imported)	1.56	1.51	1.64	1.53	1.55	1.46	1.42	1.36	1.29	1.29	1.37	1.34	1.28	-5%
Rice (Local)	0.88	0.95	0.98	1.10	0.96	0.87	0.85	0.79	0.81	0.82	0.85	0.82	0.79	-5%

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 farm and trader levels has decreased compared to the previous month (12.5% and 12.4%), as has the average price of fresh opium (16.5% and 14%). The reasons for this decline in prices include the collection of drug addicts from urban areas, an increase in opium production in Pakistan, law enforcement efforts to prevent its purchase and sale within Afghanistan, and a decrease in the value of the Iranian toman against the US dollar due to political conditions in the Middle East. Additionally, the rise in the value of the US dollar against other currencies also contributes to the overall decrease in opium prices compared to the previous month.

Changes in Opium Prices at the Regional Level:

- In the *Western region*, the price of opium has decreased compared to a month ago, attributed to reduced smuggling to Iran due to stringent security measures at the borders and a decline in buying and selling within the western zone provinces.
- In the *southern region*, due to the increase in poppy cultivation in different seasons, the demand for opium has decreased, law enforcement and industrial drugs have increased;
- In the *eastern region*, it is due to the closure of borders and the focus of counter narcotics officials on the points used by traffickers, especially in the borders of Nangarhar province;
- In the *north and northeast region*, due to the decrease in the demand for drugs from smugglers in the local market, the implementation of orders and the enforcement of the law, the arrest of sellers, the collection of drug addicts, and the increase in the production and use of industrial drugs such as: Methamphetamine, tablet K and other industrial drugs, the price of opium has decreased this month;

- In the *Central region*, the price of opium has not changed significantly compared to a month ago.

Second Part Heroin:

Since heroin is derived from opium, the nationwide decrease in the average price of opium has led to a reduction in the price of heroin.

The third part of hashish, except of Kandahar province, the average price of hashish across the country has decreased compared to a month ago. The reason for this decrease in the eastern region is the supply of fresh hashish products and in the northern region, the demand for hashish is decreasing due to the use of various intoxicating tablets.

Fourth Part Synthetic Drugs:

There are three reasons for the decrease in the price of most synthetic drugs: the first reason is the gathering of drug addicts from cities; the second reason is the efforts to prevent the buying and selling of drugs; and the third reason is the increase in the value of the US dollar against other currencies.

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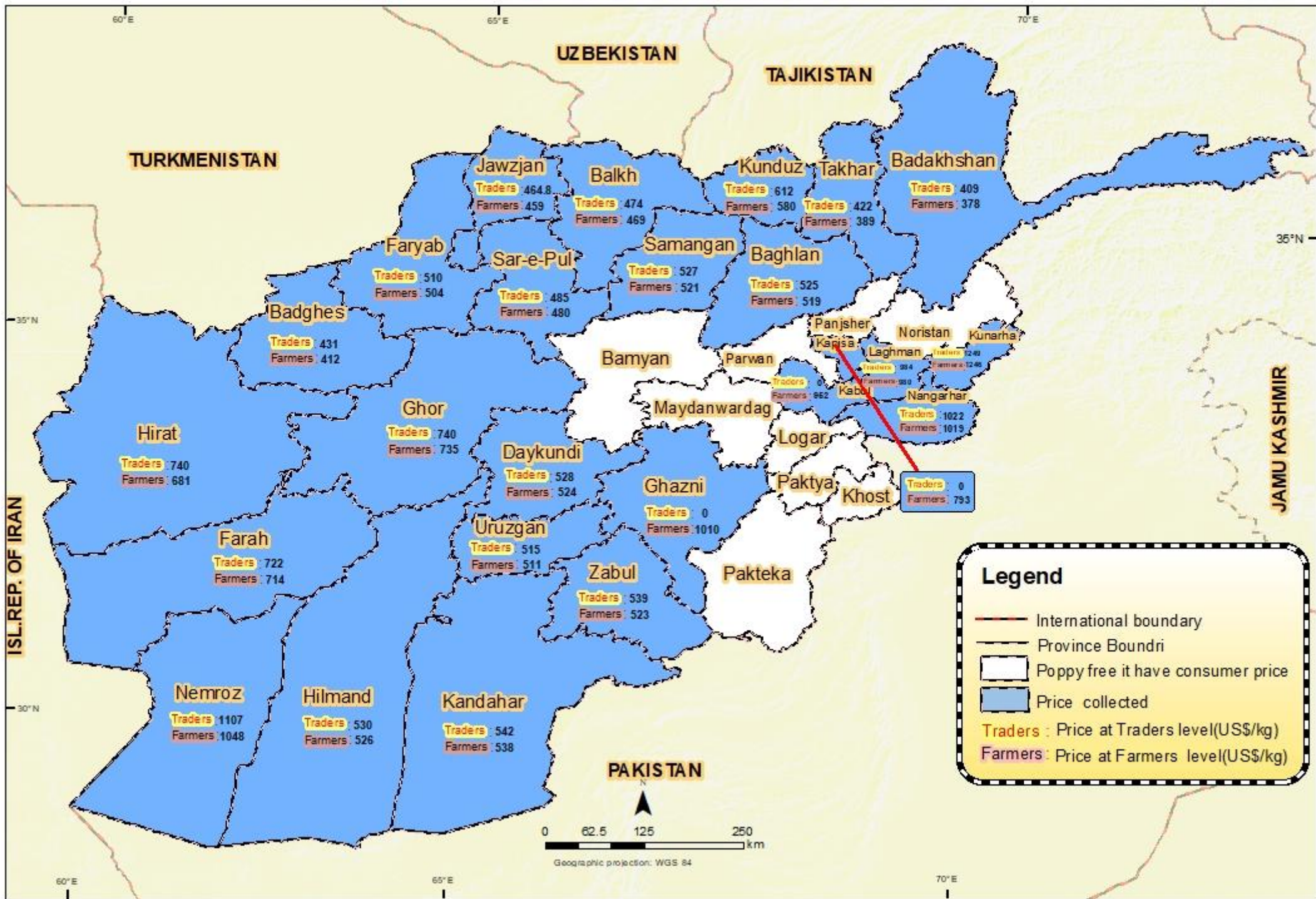
13. Methodology

- ❖ 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	
Dry Opium	173	170	25
Fresh Opium	102	109	16

Afghanistan: Average dry Opium Price (December 2024)



Source: N SAD/DM-CN/MoIA



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