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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		
	March_2025	April_2025	Change %	April_2024	April_2025	Change %
Dry opium Farm-gate price (US\$/Kg)	556	550	-1.2%	837	550	-34%
Dry opium Trader price (US\$/Kg)	569	552	-3%	851	552	-35%
Fresh Opium Farm-gate price (US\$/Kg)	336	374	+11%	570	374	-34%
Fresh Opium Trader price (US\$/Kg)	357	392	+10%	579	392	-32%
Heroin Batan_100 (US\$/Kg)	10210	10211	+0.02%	-	10211	-
Heroin White powder (Crystal) - 60% (US\$/Kg)	5462	5690	+4%	7768	5690	-27%
Heroin White powder (Crystal) - 40% (US\$/Kg)	4564	4798	+5%	6166	4798	-22%
Morphine (US\$/Kg)	4457	4346	-2%	6324	4346	-31%
Cannabis resin (Garda # 1) Price in (US\$/Kg)	229	223	-3%	205	223	+9%
Cannabis resin (Garda # 2) Price in (US\$/Kg)	138	133	-4%	138	133	-4%
Cannabis resin (Garda # 3) Price in (US\$/Kg)	102	95	-7%	126	95	-24%
Methamphetamine (Imported) (US\$/Gram)	1.95	1.99	+2%	2.14	1.99	-7%
Methamphetamine (Local) (US\$/Gram)	1.02	1.07	+5%	1.40	1.07	-24%
Sosegon (Imported) (US\$/Ampoule)	1.23	1.20	-3%	1.39	1.20	-14%
Sosegon (Local) (US\$/Ampoule)	0.803	0.799	-1%	0.79	0.799	+1%
MDMA (Tablet -K) A (US\$/Tablet)	14.15	14.55	+3%	15.5	14.55	-6%
MDMA (Tablet -K) B (US\$/Tablet)	6.43	6.83	+6%	8.9	6.83	-23%
MDMA (Tablet -K) C (US\$/Tablet)	5.49	5.64	+3%	7	5.64	-18%
MDMA (Tablet -K) D (US\$/Tablet)	2.20	2.31	+5%	3.49	2.31	-34%

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 April 2025. 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 \$550/kg) at the end of April 2025, which is 1.2% Lower compared to the price reported in March 2025 (US \$556/kg). The average dry opium price at the farm-gate level in April 2025 is **34%** Lower than the price reported in April 2024, which was (US \$837/kg).

Figure 1: National average price of dry opium at farm-gate level from (June 2004 - April 2025)

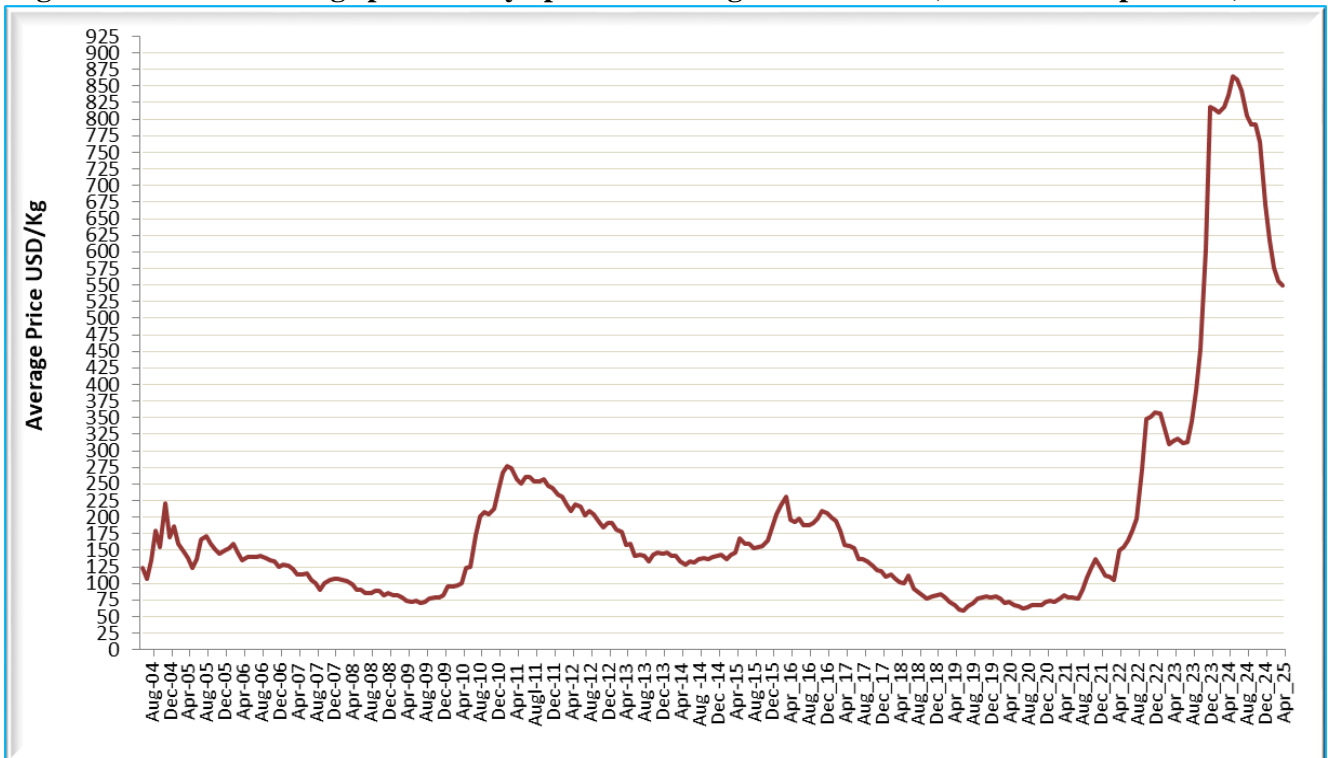


Table 2: Regional average farm-gate price of dry opium US\$/Kg (March 2025 to April 2025)

Region	Price of Dry Opium (US\$/Kg)		Price change (%)
	Mar-25	Apr-25	
Eastern region (Kunar, Laghman and Nangarhar)	858	822	-4%
Southern region (Hilmand, Kandahar, Uruzgan, Zabul and diykundy)	321	350	+9%
Western region (Badghis, Farah, Ghor, Hirat and Nimroz)	667	681	+2%
North-eastern region (Badakhshan, Kunduz and Takhar)	447	417	-7%
Northern region (Baghlan, Balkh, Faryab, Sur-Pul, Jawzjan and Samangan)	406	409	+0.7%
Central region (Kabul, Ghazni and Kapisa)	601	606	+0.8%
Average	556	550	-1.2%

3.1.2 Trader Price

The national average dry opium price collected from traders was **(US \$552/kg)** at the end of April 2025, showing **3%** decrease compared to the price reported last month in March 2025 **(US \$569/kg)**. The average dry opium price at trader level in April 2025 is **35%** Lower than the price reported last year in April 2024, which was **(US \$851kg)**.

Dry opium price collected from traders has increased by 9%, 2%, and 1% in the Southern, Western and Northern regions respectively. The price has decreased by 9%, and 3% in the North-eastern and Eastern regions respectively.

Figure 2: National average price of dry opium at trader level US\$/kg (April 2024 to April 2025)

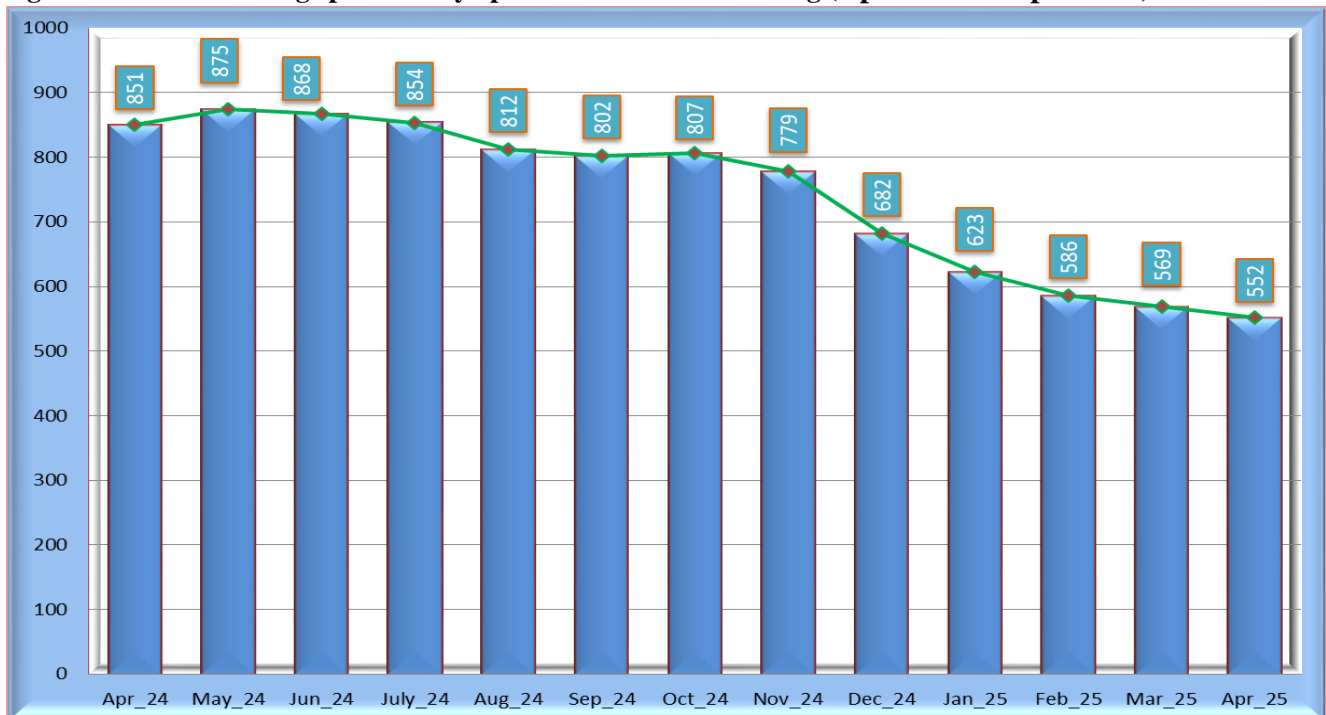


Table 3: Regional average price of dry opium from traders US\$/Kg (March 2025 to April 2025)

Region	Price of Dry Opium (US\$/Kg)		Price change (%)
	Mar-25	Apr-25	
Eastern region (Kunar, Laghman and Nangarhar)	861	833	-3%
Southern region (Hilmand, Kandahar, Uruzgan, Zabul and diykundy)	325	353	+9%
Western region (Badghis, Farah, Ghor, Hirat and Nimroz)	684	700	+2%
North-eastern region (Badakhshan, Kunduz and Takhar)	479	438	-9%
Northern region (Baghlan, Balkh, Faryab, Sur-Pul, Jawzjan and Samangan)	412	415	+1%
Central region (Kabul, Ghazni and Kapisa)	-	-	-
Average	569	552	-3%

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 \$598/kg) in April 2025, showing an increase of 0.4% compared to the price reported in March 2025 (US \$595/kg). The average price of one kilogram of Chaynaki dry opium at the farm-gate level in Hilmand province was (US \$617/kg) in April 2025, showing an increase of 11% compared to the price reported in March 2025 (US \$558/kg).

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

Dry Opium (Chaynaki quality)	Balkh		Price change (Apr - Mar) %	Hilmand		Price change (Apr - Mar) %
	Mar-25	Apr-25		Mar-25	Apr-25	
<i>Farm-gate price (US\$/Kg)</i>	595	598	+0.4%	558	617	+11%

3.2.2. Trader price

In Balkh province, the average price of one kilogram of **Chaynaki** dry opium at trader level was (US \$605/kg) in April 2025, showing an increase of 0.4% compared to the price reported in March 2025 (US \$603/kg). In Hilmand province, the average price of one kilogram of Chaynaki dry opium at trader level was (US \$621/kg) in April 2025, showing an increase of 11% compared to the price reported in March 2025 (US \$562/kg).

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

Dry Opium (Chaynaki quality)	Balkh		Price change (Apr - Mar) %	Hilmand		Price change (Apr - Mar) %
	Mar-25	Apr-25		Mar-25	Apr-25	
<i>Trader price (US\$/Kg)</i>	603	605	+0.4%	562	621	+11%

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 (Apr-Mar) (%)	Change at trader level (Apr-Mar) (%)
		Mar-25		Apr-25			
		Farm-gate	Trader	Farm-gate	Trader		
Eastern region (Kunar, Laghman and and Nangarhar)	Pakistani Rupee	240148	241006	230736	233793	-4%	-3%
Southern region (Hilmand, Kandahar, Uruzgan and Zabul and diykundi)	Pakistani Rupee	90036	91111	97993	99032	+9%	+9%
Western region (Badghis and Ghor) *	Afghani	41655	42915	41785	42970	+0.3%	+0.1%
Western region (Farah, Hirat and Nimroz) *	Imanian Tuman	32409841	33049636	33968882	34845934	+5%	+5%
North-eastern region (Badakhshan, Kunduz and Takhar)	Afghani	31310	33583	29426	30921	-6%	-8%
Northern region (Baghlan, Balkh, Faryab, Suri-Pul, Jawzjan and Samangan)	Afghani	28268	28704	28786	29229	+2%	+2%
Central region (Kabul, Ghazni and Kapisa)	Afghani	42000	-	42333	-	+1%	-

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

3.3 Fresh Opium

At the end of April 2025, the national average price of fresh opium increased by 11% from (US \$336/kg) in March 2025 to (US \$374/kg) in April 2025 at the farm-gate level. Similarly, the national average price of fresh opium at trader level increased by 10% from (US \$357/kg) in March 2025 to (US \$392/kg) in April 2025.

Figure 3: National average price of fresh opium at farm-gate and trader level US\$/kg (June 2005 to April 2025)

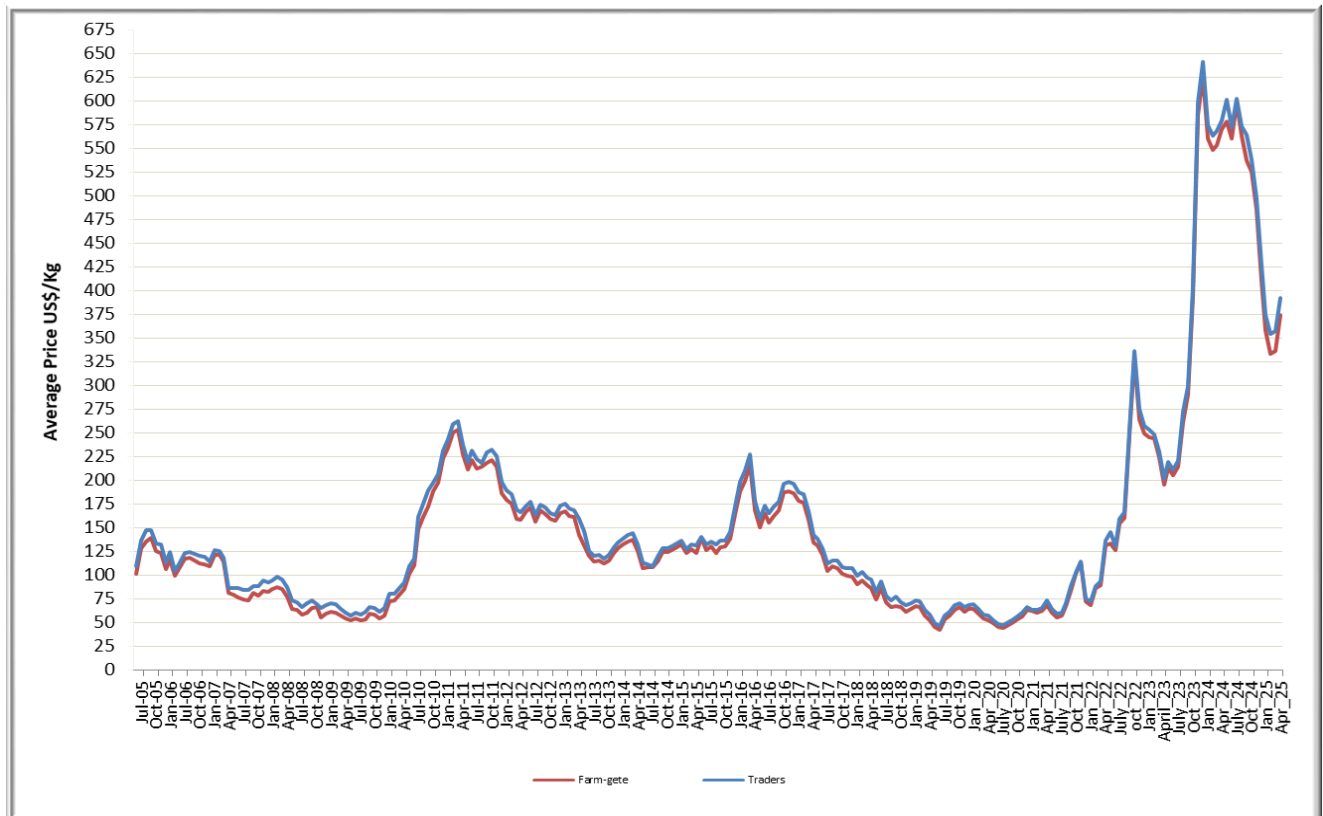


Table 7: Regional average price of fresh opium at farm-gate and trader level in other than USD currency

Region	Local currency	Price of 1 kg of Fresh Opium in local currency				change at farm-gate level (Apr-Mar) (%)	Change at trader level (Apr-Mar) (%)
		Mar-25		Apr-25			
		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	63982	65484	82001	83620	+28%	+28%
Western region (Badghis and Ghor) *	Afghani	30355	31413	31780	32878	+5%	+5%
Western region (Farah, Hirat and Nimroz) *	Imanian Tuman	16739852	18692306	21049698	23145602	+26%	+24%
North-eastern region (Badakhshan, Kunduz and Takhar)	Afghani	25860	28133	27150	28655	+5%	+2%
Northern region (Baghlan, Balkh, Faryab, Suri-Pul, Jawzjan and Samangan)	Afghani	19500	19933	18757	19200	-4%	-4%
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 \$274/kg) is called as Khata - 2 reported in Nangarhar province.

Table 8: Prices of different types of heroin in Afghanistan (US\$/kg), April 2024–April 2025

Provinces	Types of heroin	Apr-24	May-24	Jun-24	Jul-24	Aug-24	Sep-24	Oct-24	Nov-24	Dec-24	Jan-25	Feb-25	Mar-25	Apr-25	Change (Apr-Mar) %
Badakhshan	Batan (100)	-	11,708	11,554	11,230	10,769	11,273	11,288	11,236	10,684	9,761	10,175	10,416	10,488	+0.7%
	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	11,122	10,697	10,020	8,050	7,475	7,812	7,910	7,919	7,344	6,595	6,889	7,292	7,115	-2.4%
Takhar	Batan (100)	-	12,134	10,698	9,998	9,618	10,123	10,801	10,757	10,080	9,233	9,639	10,003	9,935	-0.7%
	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	10,100	10,644	9,699	8,193	7,318	7,887	7,621	7,470	7,056	6,595	6,875	6,992	7,086	+1.3%
	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	8,082	8,834	8,701	7,305	6,136	5,028	5,096	4,856	4,248	4,023	4,194	4,352	4,308	-1.0%
Kunduz	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	9,823	10,332	9,628	8,308	7,017	6,416	6,420	6,454	6,077	5,698	5,926	6,150	6,094	-0.9%
	Off- white powder (Batan)	8,574	8,569	8,632	8,689	8,735	8,736	8,723	8,823	7,245	7,014	7,103	6,993	6,916	-1.1%
Nangarhar	Bist powder	7,409	7,410	7,469	7,501	7,945	7,499	6,932	7,005	5,515	5,252	5,332	5,242	5,192	-1.0%
	Chara # 1	1,435	1,447	1,451	1,569	1,609	1,594	1,560	1,585	1,262	1,223	1,265	1,226	1,189	-3.0%
	Chara # 2	681	702	745	759	808	786	758	778	701	683	795	765	744	-2.7%
	Khata # 1	386	403	439	450	478	450.7	415.2	450	378	324	354	336	321	-4.6%
	Khata # 2	281	306	342	353	374	361	343	353	324	288	325	304	274	-9.7%
	Off- white powder (Batan) - high quality-60%	6,761	7,215	6,016	6,086	6,002	6,158	6,313	5,966	5,663	5,237	5,350	5,582	5,511	-1.3%
Faryab	Off- white powder (Batan) - low quality-40%	5,071	5,388	5,300	5,327	5,259	5,372	5,543	5,220	4,912	4,527	4,621	4,838	4,780	-1.2%
	Off- white powder (Batan) - high quality-60%	6,604	6,770	6,880	6,876	6,805	7,045	7,237	6,929	6,571	6,301	6,423	6,727	6,768	+0.6%
Balkh	Off- white powder (Batan) - low quality-40%	5,340	5,642	5,447	5,543	5,504	5,680	5,851	5,555	5,304	4,914	4,993	5,224	5,251	+0.5%
	Bist powder 20%	2,810	3,103	2,867	3,008	2,959	3,040	3,080	2,912	2,717	2,491	2,503	2,648	2,676	+1.0%
Helmand	Off- white powder (Batan) - high quality	5,942	5,576	5,751	6,126	6,294	5,959	4,866	4,862	4,505	4,140	3,723	3,749	4,280	+14.2%
	Off- white powder (Batan) - low quality	5,762	5,396	5,535	5,909	6,114	5,778	4,686	4,682	4,325	3,960	3,580	3,606	4,066	+12.8%
	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	8,102	7,374	8,267	8,648	8,811	8,486	7,028	7,023	5,947	5,579	5,190	5,535	6,242	+12.8%
	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	8,282	7,554	7,979	8,360	8,595	8,270	6,812	6,807	6,091	5,363	5,011	5,713	6,028	+5.5%
	Morphine	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Kandahar	Off- white powder (Batan) - high quality	5,942	5,576	5,751	6,126	6,294	5,959	4,866	4,862	4,505	4,140	3,687	3,714	4,245	+14.3%
	Off- white powder (Batan) - low quality	5,762	5,396	5,535	5,909	6,114	5,778	4,686	4,682	4,325	3,960	3,580	3,571	4,031	+12.9%
	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	8,354	7,374	8,267	8,612	8,631	8,306	7,209	7,023	5,947	5,579	5,190	5,463	6,207	+13.6%
	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	8,210	7,554	7,979	8,288	8,415	8,089	6,992	6,807	6,091	5,723	5,011	5,356	5,993	+11.9%
	Morphine	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Badghis	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	4,005	3,957	4,065	4,011	4,038	4,159	4,092	4,004	3,989	3,654	3,712	3,853	3,926	1.9%
Hirat	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	7,237	7,279	7,132	7,248	6,874	7,129	7,150	6,350	5,544	4,946	5,087	5,137	5,456	+6.2%
	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	6,324	5,371	5,206	5,085	4,941	4,233	4,183	4,094	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Bist powder	7,940	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Morphine	-	-	-	-	5,639	-	-	-	4,781	4,353	4,537	4,637	4,606	-0.7%
Farah	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	7,870	7,067	6,989	6,876	6,444	7,278	6,846	6,723	5,178	4,734	4,950	4,281	4,103	-4.2%
	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	6,464	5,936	5,848	6,052	5,639	5,822	5,362	5,401	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Morphine	6,324	5,229	5,135	5,873	5,370	5,531	5,111	5,184	4,464	4,036	4,262	3,995	3,827	-4.2%
Nimroz	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	5,354	7,040	7,162	7,131	7,499	-	-	-	4,810	4,643	4,812	4,923	5,173	+5.1%
	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	4,521	5,073	5,321	4,728	4,742	4,049	4,998	4,714	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Bist powder	-	-	-	-	-	4,246	5,355	5,190	4,998	4,379	4,565	4,680	4,535	-3.1%
	Morphine	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,737	4,606	-2.8%

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 %
			Mar-25	Apr-25	
Badakhshan	Batan (100)	Afghani	730,000	740,000	+1%
	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	Afghani	511,000	502,000	-2%
Takhar	Batan (100)	Afghani	701,000	701,000	0%
	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	Afghani	490,000	500,000	+2%
	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	Afghani	305,000	304,000	-0.3%
Kunduz	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	Afghani	431,000	430,000	-0.2%
Nangarhar	Off- white powder (Batan)	Pakistani Rupee	1,957,000	1,942,000	-0.8%
	Bist powder	Pakistani Rupee	1,467,000	1,458,000	-1%
	Chara # 1	Pakistani Rupee	343,000	334,000	-3%
	Chara # 2	Pakistani Rupee	214,000	209,000	-2%
	Khata # 1	Pakistani Rupee	94,000	90,000	-4%
Faryab	Off- white powder (Batan) - high quality -60%	Afghani	390,000	392,000	+0.5%
	Off- white powder (Batan) - low quality -40%	Afghani	338,000	340,000	+1%
	Off- white powder (Batan) - high quality -60%	Afghani	470,000	473,000	+1%
Balkh	Off- white powder (Batan) - low quality -40%	Afghani	365,000	367,000	+1%
	Bist powder - 20%	Afghani	185,000	187,000	+1.1%
	Off- white powder (Batan) - high quality	Pakistani Rupee	1,050,000	1,200,000	+14%
Helmand	Off- white powder (Batan) - low quality	Pakistani Rupee	1,010,000	1,140,000	+13%
	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	Pakistani Rupee	1,550,000	1,750,000	+13%
	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	Pakistani Rupee	1,600,000	1,690,000	+6%
	Morphine	Pakistani Rupee	-	-	-
	Off- white powder (Batan) - high quality	Pakistani Rupee	1,040,000	1,190,000	+14%
Kandahar	Off- white powder (Batan) - low quality	Pakistani Rupee	1,000,000	1,130,000	+13%
	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	Pakistani Rupee	1,530,000	1,740,000	+14%
	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	Pakistani Rupee	1,500,000	1,680,000	+12%
	Morphine	Pakistani Rupee	-	-	-
	Off- white powder (Batan) - high quality	Pakistani Rupee	1,040,000	1,190,000	+14%
Badghis	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	Afghani	270,000	277,000	+3%
Hirat	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	Afghani	360,000	385,000	+7%
	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	Afghani	-	-	-
	Bist powder	Afghani	-	-	-
	Morphine	Afghani	325,000	330,000	+2%
Farah	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	Afghani	300,000	289,500	-4%
	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	Afghani	-	-	-
	Morphine	Afghani	280,000	270,000	-4%
Nimruz	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	Afghani	345,000	365,000	+6%
	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	Afghani	-	-	-
	Bist powder	Afghani	328,000	320,000	-2%
	Morphine	Afghani	332,000	325,000	-2%

5. Synthetic Drugs

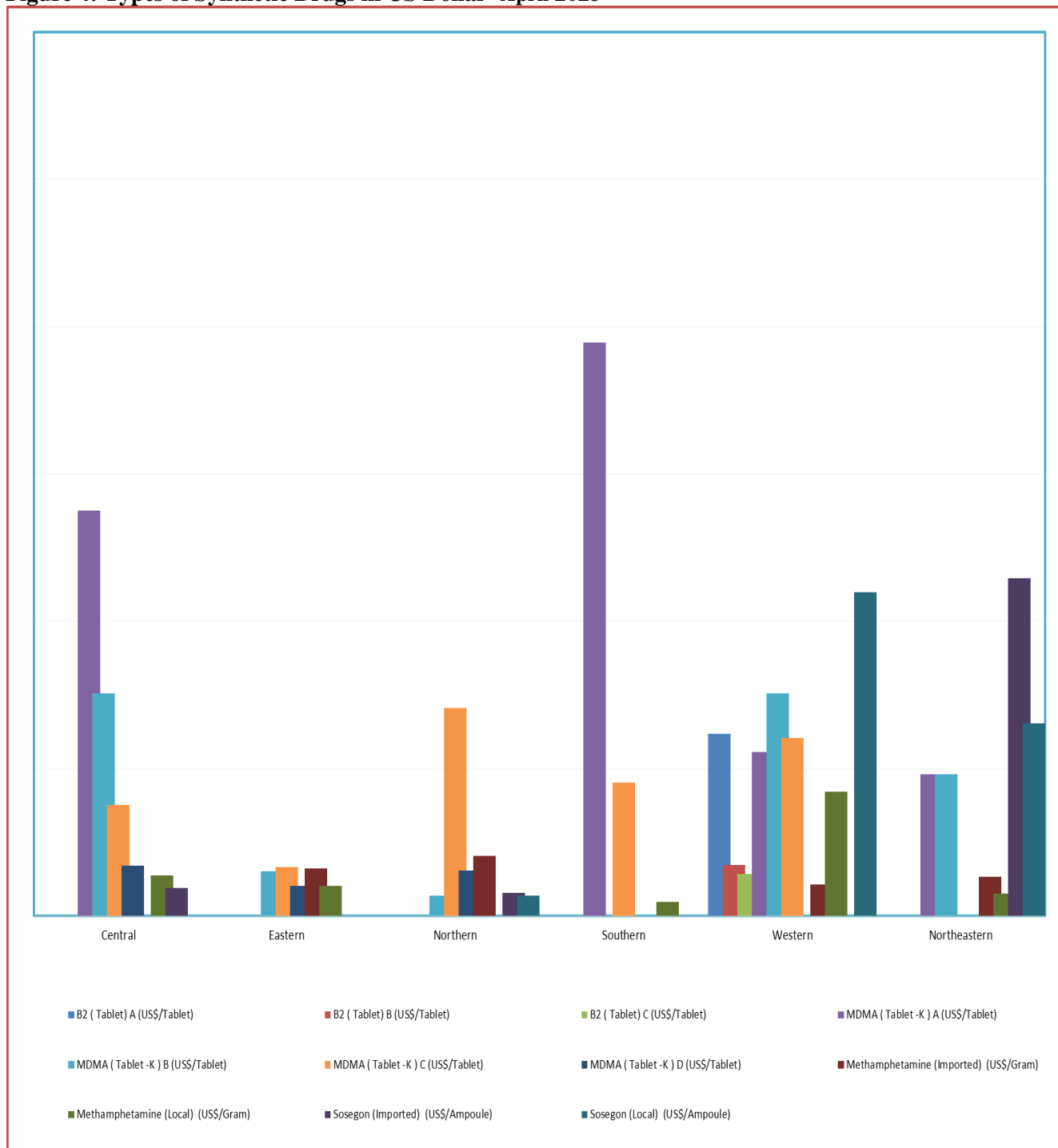
Synthetic drugs are a dangerous chemical and it has intensive effects on health, and after a long time it makes consumer addicted, and can be potentially life threatening. Primary users, of these synthetic drugs are youths in Afghanistan; because products are cheap and easily accessible to teenagers 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	Apr-25
Central	Methamphetamine (Imported) (US\$/Gram)	-
	Methamphetamine (Local) (US\$/Gram)	1.4
	Sosegon (Imported) (US\$/Ampoule)	0.96
	Sosegon (Local) (US\$/Ampoule)	-
	MDMA (Tablet -K) A (US\$/Tablet)	13.8
	MDMA (Tablet -K) B (US\$/Tablet)	7.6
	MDMA (Tablet -K) C (US\$/Tablet)	3.8
	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)	1.6
	Methamphetamine (Local) (US\$/Gram)	1.0
	Sosegon (Imported) (US\$/Ampoule)	-
	Sosegon (Local) (US\$/Ampoule)	-
	MDMA (Tablet -K) A (US\$/Tablet)	-
	MDMA (Tablet -K) B (US\$/Tablet)	1.5
	MDMA (Tablet -K) C (US\$/Tablet)	1.7
	MDMA (Tablet -K) D (US\$/Tablet)	1.0
	B2 (Tablet) A (US\$/Tablet)	-
	B2 (Tablet) B (US\$/Tablet)	-
	B2 (Tablet) C (US\$/Tablet)	-
Northern	Methamphetamine (Imported) (US\$/Gram)	2.0
	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)	0.7
	MDMA (Tablet -K) C (US\$/Tablet)	7.1
	MDMA (Tablet -K) D (US\$/Tablet)	1.5
	B2 (Tablet) A (US\$/Tablet)	-
	B2 (Tablet) B (US\$/Tablet)	-
	B2 (Tablet) C (US\$/Tablet)	-
Southern	Methamphetamine (Imported) (US\$/Gram)	-
	Methamphetamine (Local) (US\$/Gram)	0.5
	Sosegon (Imported) (US\$/Ampoule)	-
	Sosegon (Local) (US\$/Ampoule)	-
	MDMA (Tablet -K) A (US\$/Tablet)	19.5
	MDMA (Tablet -K) B (US\$/Tablet)	-
	MDMA (Tablet -K) C (US\$/Tablet)	4.5
	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)	1.1
	Methamphetamine (Local) (US\$/Gram)	4.2
	Sosegon (Imported) (US\$/Ampoule)	-
	Sosegon (Local) (US\$/Ampoule)	11.0
	MDMA (Tablet -K) A (US\$/Tablet)	5.6
	MDMA (Tablet -K) B (US\$/Tablet)	7.6
	MDMA (Tablet -K) C (US\$/Tablet)	6.0
	MDMA (Tablet -K) D (US\$/Tablet)	-
	B2 (Tablet) A (US\$/Tablet)	6.2
	B2 (Tablet) B (US\$/Tablet)	1.7
	B2 (Tablet) C (US\$/Tablet)	1.4
Northeastern	Methamphetamine (Imported) (US\$/Gram)	1.3
	Methamphetamine (Local) (US\$/Gram)	0.8
	Sosegon (Imported) (US\$/Ampoule)	11.5
	Sosegon (Local) (US\$/Ampoule)	6.5
	MDMA (Tablet -K) A (US\$/Tablet)	4.8
	MDMA (Tablet -K) B (US\$/Tablet)	4.8
	MDMA (Tablet -K) C (US\$/Tablet)	-
	MDMA (Tablet -K) D (US\$/Tablet)	-
	B2 (Tablet) A (US\$/Tablet)	-
	B2 (Tablet) B (US\$/Tablet)	-
	B2 (Tablet) C (US\$/Tablet)	-

Figure 4: Types of Synthetic Drugs in US Dollar- April 2025

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), Apr 2024–Apr 2025

Province	Types of cannabis resin	Apr-24	May-24	Jun-24	Jul-24	Aug-24	Sep-24	Oct-24	Nov-24	Dec-24	Jan-25	Feb-25	Mar-25	Apr-25	Change (Apr-Mar) %
Nangarhar	Garda # 1	94	101	104	112	115	108	101	90	80	72	64	64	71	+11%
Nangarhar	Garda # 2	68	69	72	77	79	76	72	64	63	61	57	54	57	+6%
Nangarhar	Garda # 3	52	56	54	61	68	65	61	55	54	53	47	43	46	+8%
Faryab	Garda # 1 (Sherak)	239	252	215	222	203	267	285	268	257	231	261	258	232	-10%
Faryab	Garda # 2 (Morhajosh)	204	208	186	189	171	223	234	224	212	188	206	200	186	-7%
Faryab	Garda # 3 (khaka)	162	150	135	140	131	178	189	179	168	145	165	143	132	-8%
Balkh	Garda # 1 (Patnosi)	216	230	218	232	192	297	320	293	254	225	248	243	236	-3%
Balkh	Garda # 2 (Morhajosh)	190	195	182	198	153	237	253	221	184	155	179	150	143	-5%
Balkh	Garda # 3 (khaka)	157	172	163	175	123	178	188	155	123	105	124	100	89	-11%
Baghlan	Garda # 1 (Chaki)	221	224	207	215	200	310	308	269	234	212	232	217	200	-8%
Baghlan	Garda # 2 (Morhajosh)	173	177	160	172	157	243	246	209	178	155	180	173	166	-4%
Baghlan	Garda # 3 (khaka)	132	134	125	139	129	199	200	149	123	107	124	123	114	-7%
Badakhshan	Garda # 1 (Shirak)	218	207	213	236	243	260	280	276	252	237	254	271	269	-1%
Takhar	Garda # 1 (Shirak)	225	238	244	208	215	238	254	284	245	231	247	278	248	-11%
Kandahar	Garda # 1 (Sherak)	116	96	100	124	144	136	116	160	200	240	167	155	166	7%
Kandahar	Garda # 2	52	44	48	56	76	68	48	80	100	160	91	71	67	-6%
Kandahar	Garda # 3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hirat	Garda # 1 (Sherak)	302	233	221	236	215	252	262	291	302	277	309	328	298	-9%
Hirat	Garda # 2 (Morhajoshi)	141	155	136	143	150	178	190	202	158	145	137	178	177	-1%
Panjshir	Garda # 1 (Jooshi)	217	213	210	251	243	263	310	313	245	215	227	248	285	+15%
Panjshir	Garda # 2 (Morhajosh)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Figure 5: Average price of cannabis resin (Garda #1, best quality) in US\$/kg, Apr 2024–Apr 2025

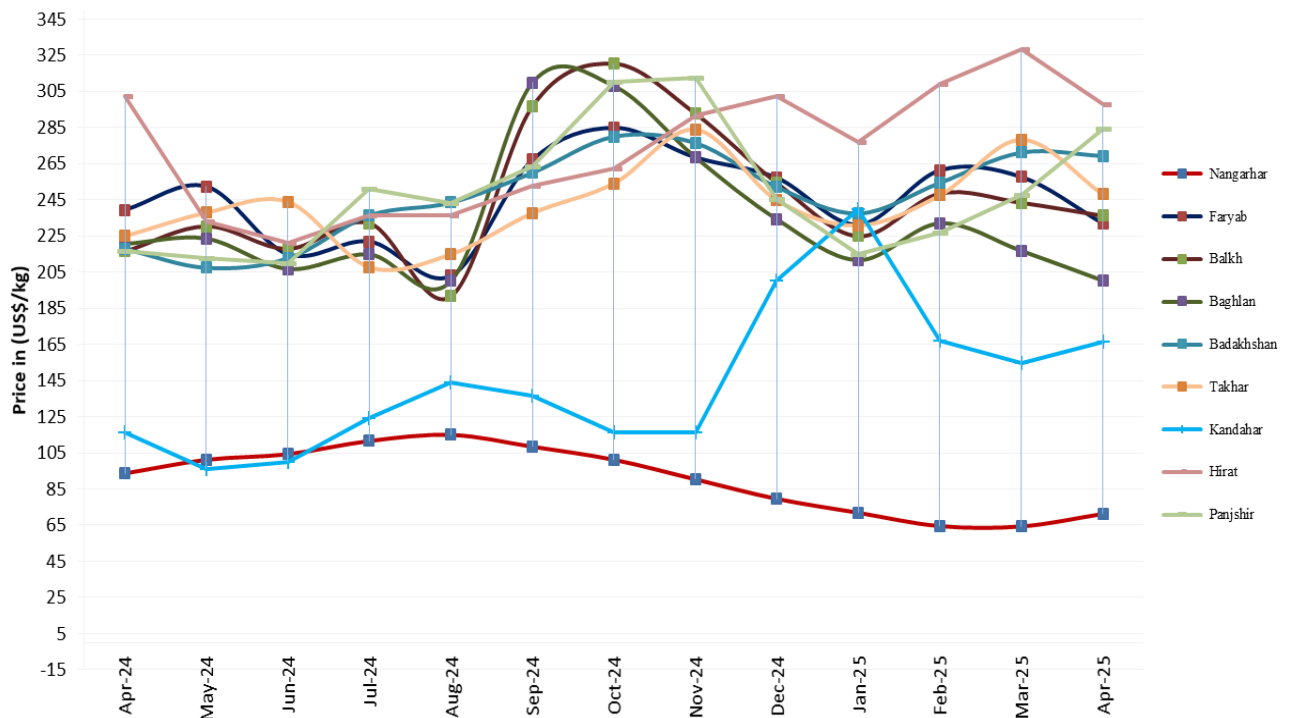
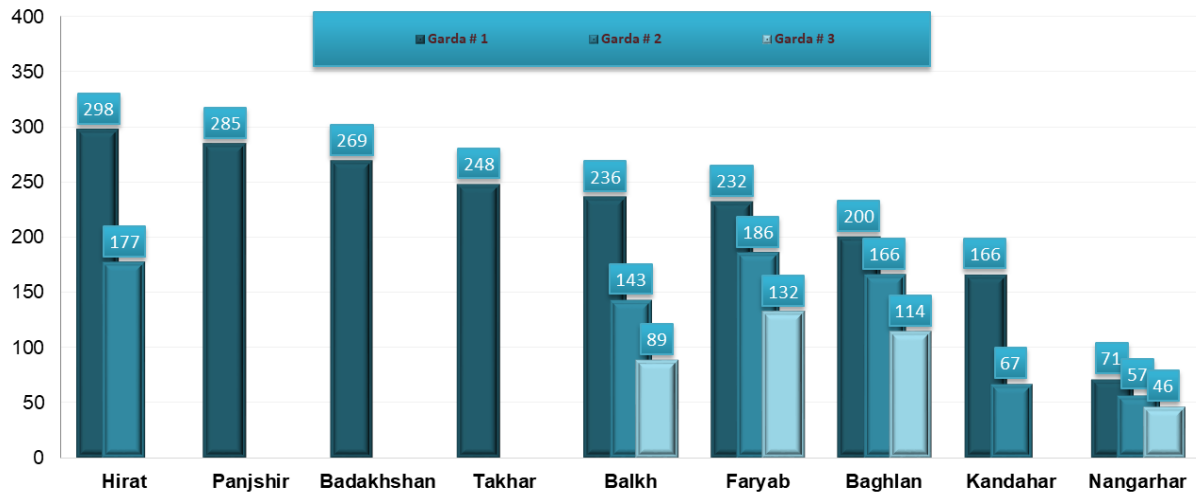


Figure 6: Prices of different types of cannabis resin in Afghanistan (US\$/kg), Apr 2025**Table 12: Prices of 1 kilogram of different types of cannabis resin in local currency, Mar 2025– Apr 2025**

Province	Types of cannabis resin	Local currency	Prices of 1 kg of different types of cannabis resin in local currency		Change (Apr-Mar) %
			Mar-25	Apr-25	
Nangarhar	Garda # 1	Pakistani Rupee	18,000	20,000	+11%
	Garda # 2	Pakistani Rupee	15,000	16,000	+7%
	Garda # 3	Pakistani Rupee	12,000	13,000	+8%
Faryab	Garda # 1 (Sherak)	Afghani	18,000	16,500	-8%
	Garda # 2 (Morchajosh)	Afghani	14,000	13,200	-6%
	Garda # 3 (khaka)	Afghani	10,000	9,400	-6%
Balkh	Garda # 1 (Patnosi)	Afghani	17,000	16,500	-3%
	Garda # 2 (Morchajosh)	Afghani	10,500	10,000	-5%
	Garda # 3 (khaka)	Afghani	7,000	6,200	-11%
Baghlan	Garda # 1 (Chaki)	Afghani	15,000	14,000	-7%
	Garda # 2 (Morchajosh)	Afghani	12,000	11,600	-3%
	Garda # 3 (khaka)	Afghani	8,500	8,000	-6%
Badakhshan	Garda # 1 (Shirak)	Afghani	19,000	19,000	0%
Takhar	Garda # 1 (Shirak)	Afghani	19,500	17,500	-10%
Kandahar	Garda # 1 (Sherak)	Pakistani Rupee	43,333	46,667	+8%
	Garda # 2	Pakistani Rupee	20,000	18,889	-6%
	Garda # 3	Pakistani Rupee	-	-	-
Hirat	Garda # 1	Afghani	23,000	21,000	-9%
	Garda # 2	Afghani	12,500	12,500	0%
Panjshir	Garda # 1 (Jooshi)	Pakistani Rupee	17,292	19,886	+15%
	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 2025– Apr 2025

Province	Types of seed	Local currency	Prices of 1 kg of cannabis seed and poppy seed in local currency		Change %
			Mar-25	Apr-25	
Badakhshan	Poppy seed	Afghani	140	140	0%
	Cannabis seed	Afghani	80	70	-13%
Takhar	Poppy seed	Afghani	130	150	+15%
	Cannabis seed	Afghani	85	80	-6%
Balkh	Poppy seed	Afghani	100	110	+10%
	Cannabis seed	Afghani	80	85	+6%
Baghlan	Poppy seed	Afghani	130	140	+8%
	Cannabis seed	Afghani	90	100	+11%
Faryab	Poppy seed	Afghani	115	110	-4%
	Cannabis seed	Afghani	70	75	+7%
Hirat	Poppy seed	Afghani	110	100	-9%
	Cannabis seed	Afghani	100	90	-10%
Farah	Poppy seed	Afghani	125	125	0%
	Cannabis seed	Afghani	85	85	0%
Hilmand	Poppy seed	Afghani	36	39	+10%
	Cannabis seed	Afghani	41	42	+2%
Kandahar	Poppy seed	Afghani	38	39	+2%
	Cannabis seed	Afghani	41	39	-5%
Zabul	Poppy seed	Afghani	38	36	-5%
	Cannabis seed	Afghani	44	45	+2%
Uruzgan	Poppy seed	Afghani	49	50	+2%
	Cannabis seed	Afghani	49	50	+2%
Nangarhar	Poppy seed	Pakistani Ruppee	275	225	-18%
	Cannabis seed	Pakistani Ruppee	55	70	+27%
Kunar	Poppy seed	Pakistani Ruppee	300	300	0%
	Cannabis seed	Pakistani Ruppee	-	-	-
Laghman	Poppy seed	Pakistani Ruppee	175	174	-1%
	Cannabis seed	Pakistani Ruppee	127	126	-1%
Kabul	Poppy seed	Afghani	160	170	+6%
Ghazni	Cannabis seed	Afghani	-	-	-
Kapisa	Poppy seed	Afghani	100	100	0%

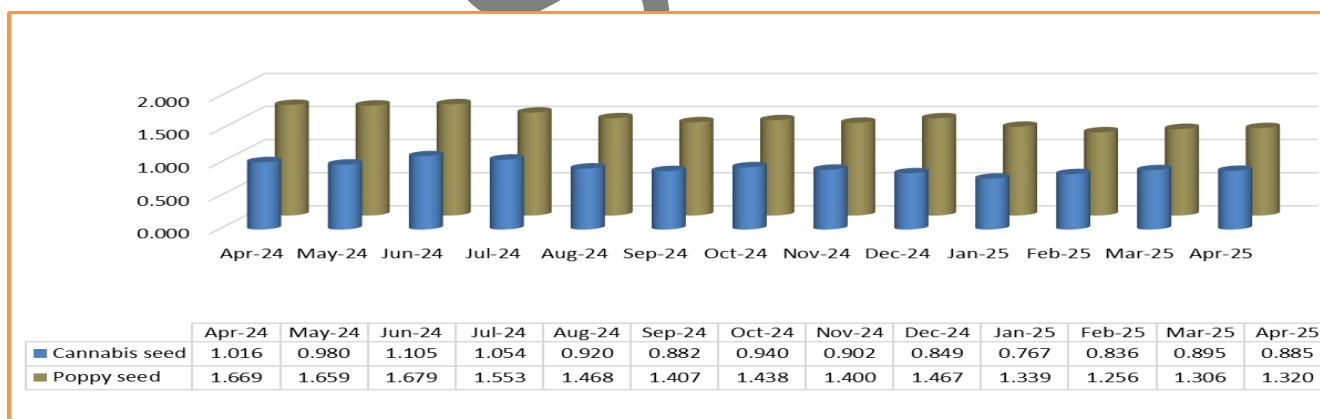


Table 14: Prices of cannabis and poppy seeds in Afghanistan (US\$/kg), Apr 2024– Apr 2025

Types of seeds	Apr-24	May-24	Jun-24	Jul-24	Aug-24	Sep-24	Oct-24	Nov-24	Dec-24	Jan-25	Feb-25	Mar-25	Apr-25	Increase/Decrease (%)
Cannabis seed	1.016	0.980	1.105	1.054	0.920	0.882	0.940	0.902	0.849	0.767	0.836	0.895	0.885	-1%
Poppy seed	1.669	1.659	1.679	1.553	1.468	1.407	1.438	1.400	1.467	1.339	1.256	1.306	1.320	+1%

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 2025

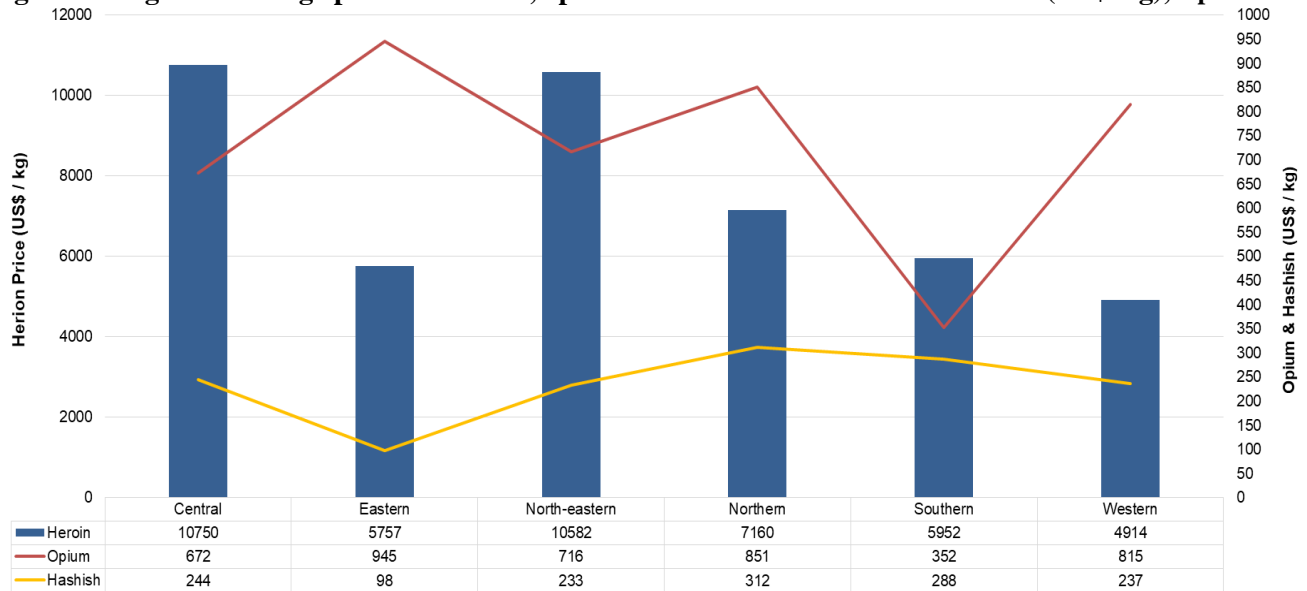


Table 15: Average prices of heroin, opium and hashish at consumer level in Afghanistan (US\$/kg), Apr 24 – Apr 25

Types of drug	Average prices in (US\$/kg)													Change (Apr-Mar) (%)
	Apr-24	May-24	Jun-24	Jul-24	Aug-24	Sep-24	Oct-24	Nov-24	Dec-24	Jan-25	Feb-25	Mar-25	Apr-25	
Heroin	7,928	7,500	7,398	8,220	8,016	8,688	8,807	8,674	8,070	7,531	7,389	8,115	8,188	+1%
Opium	896	885	871	954	922	934	931	905	815	740	682	703	708	+1%
Hashish	226	224	217	226	224	234	249	244	271	265	254	235	248	+5.4%

9. Price of Acetic Anhydride

Table 16 Average Price of Acetic Anhydride in Afghanistan (US\$/Lit) April 2024– April 2025

Variety of Acetic Anhydride	Apr-24	May-24	Jun-24	Jul-24	Aug-24	Sep-24	Oct-24	Nov-24	Dec-24	Jan-25	Feb-25	Mar-25	Apr-25	Increase/Decrease (%)
Acetic Anhydride - A* (Garmani)	255	223	204	210	207	220	223	218	200	182	158	164	177	+8%
Acetic Anhydride - B* (Japani)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Acetic Anhydride - C* (Indian)	133	145	155	159	166	155	145	180	144	126	172	114	110	-3%
Acetic Anhydride - D* (Pakistani)	77	80	152	156	162	160	153	151	126	108	133	100	94	-6%
Acetic Anhydride - E* (Chinees)	206	204	198	199	194	179	175	190	169	141	118	150	149	-0.3%
Acetic Anhydride - F* (Irani)	105	109	96	114	112	120	125	108	131	133	107	99	102	+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.

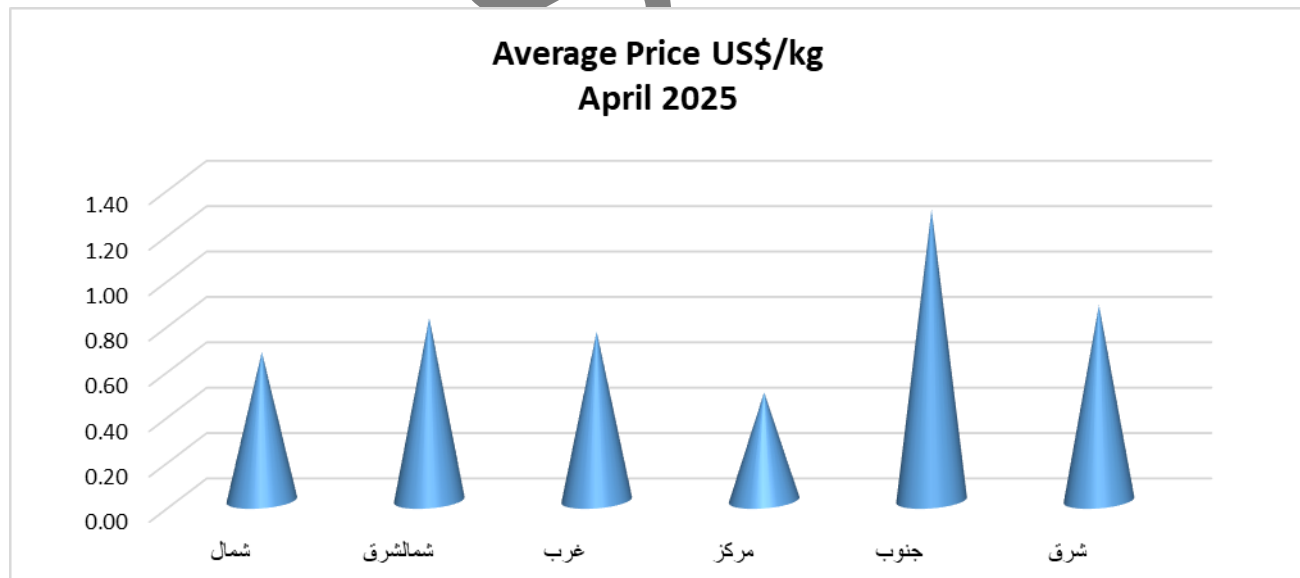
Where is Ephedra found?

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), March 2025– April 2025

Average Price Of "Ephedra" For Each Zone (US\$/Kg)			
Region	Feb-25	Mar-25	Change %
Northern	0.65	0.68	+5%
North-east	0.71	0.81	+14%
Western	0.73	0.75	+3%
Central	0.53	0.50	-6%
Southern	1.13	1.40	+23%
Eastern	0.84	0.86	+2%
Average Prices for Afghanistan	0.78	0.87	+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 2025

Province	Types of crops	Price/Kg in Pakistani Rupee (PRs)	Price/Kg in Afghani (AFs)	Price/Kg in (US\$)
Nangarhar	Wheat	-	28	0.4
Nangarhar	Cotton	-	105	1.5
Nangarhar	Rice Imported	-	86	1.2
Nangarhar	Rice Local	-	40	0.6
Balkh	Wheat	-	20	0.3
Balkh	Cotton	-	95	1.4
Balkh	Rice Imported	-	98	1.4
Balkh	Rice Local	-	50	0.7
Badakhshan	Wheat	-	28	0.4
Badakhshan	Rice Imported	-	100	1.4
Badakhshan	Rice Local	-	67	0.9
Takhar	Wheat	-	20	0.3
Takhar	Rice Imported	-	100	1.4
Takhar	Rice Local	-	60	0.9
Helmand	Wheat	-	23	0.3
Helmand	Cotton	-	123	1.8
Helmand	Rice Imported	-	82	1.2
Kandahar	Wheat	-	24	0.3
Kandahar	Cotton	-	128	1.8
Kandahar	Rice Imported	-	81	1.2
Hirat	Wheat	-	19	0.3
Hirat	Cotton	-	160	2.3
Hirat	Saffron	-	94000	1332
Hirat	Rice Imported	-	80	1.1
Hirat	Rice Local	-	63	0.9

Table 19: Average prices of wheat, cotton, saffron, imported, and local rice in Afghanistan (US\$/kg), April 2024– April 2025

Types of crops	Apr-24	May-24	Jun-24	Jul-24	Aug-24	Sep-24	Oct-24	Nov-24	Dec-24	Jan-25	Feb-25	Mar-25	Apr-25	Increase/ Decrease (%)
Wheat (Local)	0.38	0.33	0.31	0.29	0.30	0.33	0.35	0.34	0.34	0.32	0.34	0.34	0.33	-4%
Cotton	1.94	1.84	1.77	1.79	1.77	1.81	1.85	1.82	1.74	1.57	1.66	1.71	1.74	+2%
Saffron	1736	1714	1668	1655	1776	1961	1993	1927	1858	1781	1760	1298	1332	+3%
Rice (Imported)	1.55	1.46	1.42	1.36	1.29	1.29	1.37	1.34	1.28	1.28	1.25	1.29	1.28	-1%
Rice (Local)	0.96	0.87	0.85	0.79	0.81	0.82	0.85	0.82	0.79	0.76	0.79	0.81	0.80	-1%

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 level and to traders has decreased by (1.2% and 3%) respectively compared to the previous month, while the average price of fresh opium has increased by (11%). The factors contributing to the decrease and increase in prices compared to the previous month at the level of each zone of the country are mentioned below

Changes in Opium Prices at the Regional Level:

Southern Zone: the price of opium has increased due to the implementation of the eradication process of poppy fields, which ultimately leads to a decrease in opium production.

Eastern Zone: the price of opium has decreased due to increased detection and the lack of its transportation by smugglers.

Northern Zone: In the north region, the price of opium has not changed significantly.

Western Zone: opium price have increased slightly, mainly due to increased demand in Farah and Herat and lack of production in Groh.

North-eastern Zone: the price of opium has decreased due to the arrival of the poppy harvest season and the prevention of its purchase and sale.

Second Part Heroin:

Since heroin is made from opium, an increase in the average price of opium at the national level leads to an increase in the price of heroin.

The third part of hashish:

The average price of hashish has increased across most provinces compared to a month ago, the main reasons for which could be the destruction of hashish cultivation and decrease in this supply, while demand for it remains stable.

Fourth Part Synthetic Drugs:

Synthetic drugs are more volatile than other drugs. Various factors such as supply and demand, currency fluctuations against the US dollar, law enforcement, and restrictions on their sale and purchase in the country affect the prices of synthetic drugs.

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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	173	25
Fresh Opium	106	106	15



Afghanistan: Average dry Opium Price (April, 2025)



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