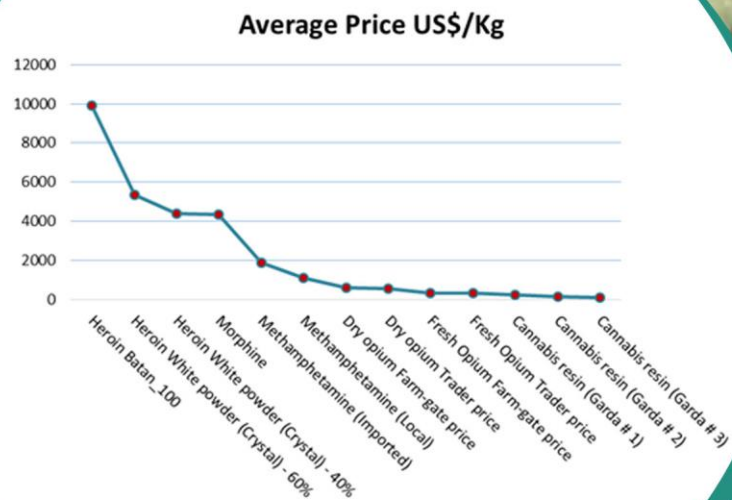




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1. Key Findings

1.1. Trends of Drug prices

Table1: Summary of Drug Prices

Types of drug	By Month			By Year		
	January_2025	February_2025	Change %	February_2024	February_2025	Change %
Dry opium Farm-gate price (US\$/Kg)	616	575	-7%	810	575	-29%
Dry opium Trader price (US\$/Kg)	623	586	-6%	837	586	-30%
Fresh Opium Farm-gate price (US\$/Kg)	358	334	-7%	548	334	-39%
Fresh Opium Trader price (US\$/Kg)	374	355	-5%	563	355	-37%
Heroin Batan_100 (US\$/Kg)	9497	9907	+4%	-	9907	-
Heroin White powder (Crystal) - 60% (US\$/Kg)	5349	5342	-0.1%	7422	5342	-28%
Heroin White powder (Crystal) - 40% (US\$/Kg)	4516	4338	-4%	6202	4338	-30%
Morphine (US\$/Kg)	4194	4400	+5%	6301	4400	-30%
Cannabis resin (Garda # 1) Price in (US\$/Kg)	216	223	+4%	188	223	+19%
Cannabis resin (Garda # 2) Price in (US\$/Kg)	144	142	-1%	117	142	+21%
Cannabis resin (Garda # 3) Price in (US\$/Kg)	103	115	+12%	111	115	+4%
Methamphetamine (Imported) (US\$/Gram)	1.93	1.87	-3%	2.00	1.87	-6.8%
Methamphetamine (Local) (US\$/Gram)	1.15	1.10	-4%	1.24	1.10	-11%
Sosegon (Imported) (US\$/Ampoule)	1.14	1.18	+4%	1.62	1.18	-27%
Sosegon (Local) (US\$/Ampoule)	0.828	0.757	-9%	0.79	0.757	-4%
MDMA (Tablet -K) A (US\$/Tablet)	13.60	13.10	-4%	15.1	13.10	-13%
MDMA (Tablet -K) B (US\$/Tablet)	5.29	5.94	+12%	10.0	5.94	-41%
MDMA (Tablet -K) C (US\$/Tablet)	4.75	4.74	-0.3%	6.4	4.74	-26%
MDMA (Tablet -K) D (US\$/Tablet)	2.39	2.36	-1%	3.11	2.36	-24%

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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 February 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\$ 575/kg) at the end of February 2025, which is 7% Lower compared to the price reported in January 2025 (US\$ 616/kg). The average dry opium price at the farm-gate level in February 2025 is 29% Lower than the price reported in February 2024, which was (US\$ 810/kg).

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

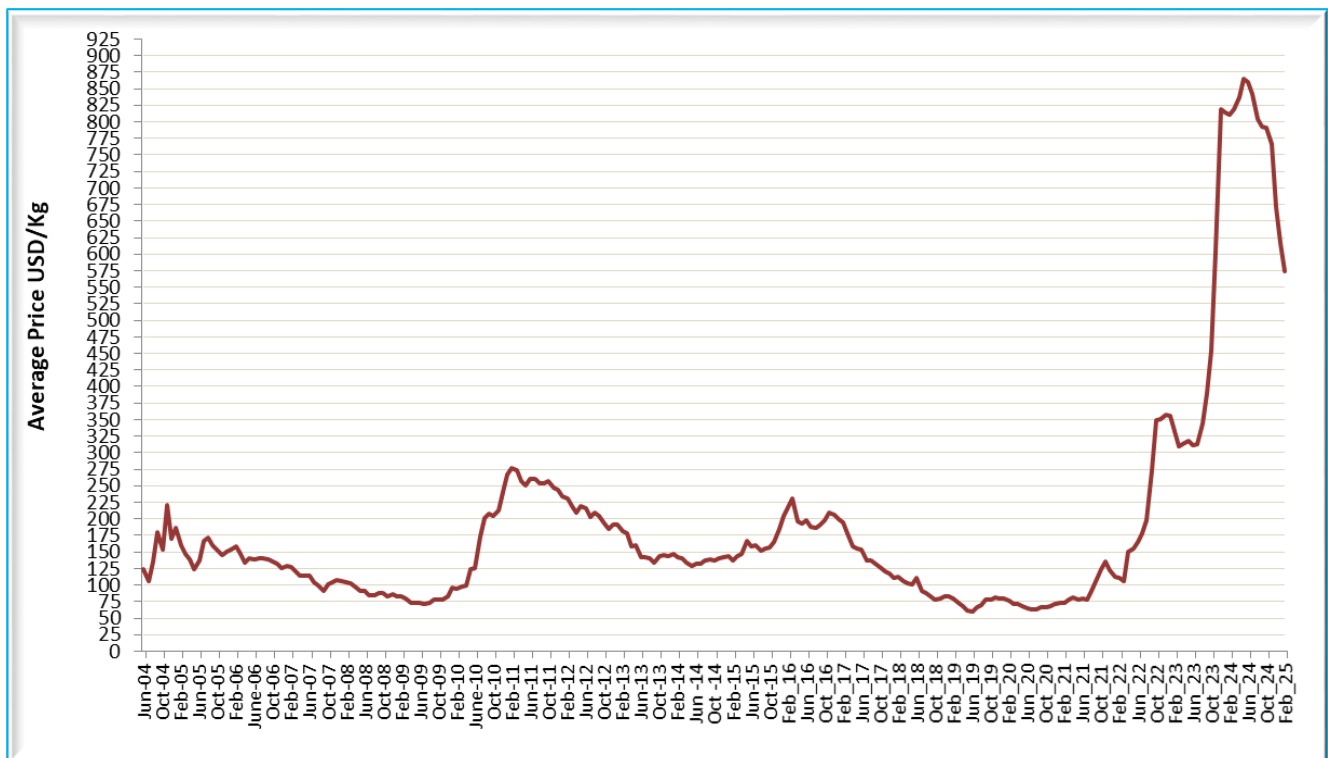


Table 2: Regional average farm-gate price of dry opium US\$/Kg (January 2025 to February 2025)

Region	Price of Dry Opium (US\$/Kg)		Price change (%)
	Jan-25	Feb-25	
Eastern region (Kunar, Laghman and Nangarhar)	1026	955	-7%
Southern region (Hilmand, Kandahar, Uruzgan, Zabul and diykundy)	452	308	-32%
Western region (Badghis, Farah, Ghor, Hirat and Nimroz)	666	689	+4%
North-eastern region (Badakhshan, Kunduz and Takhar)	410	441	+8%
Northern region (Baghlan, Balkh, Faryab, Sur-Pul, Jawzjan and Samangan)	418	376	-10%
Central region (Kabul, Ghazni and Kapisa)	883	641	-27%
Average	616	575	-7%

3.1.2 Trader Price

The national average dry opium price collected from traders was (US\$ 586/kg) at the end of February 2025, showing 6% decrease compared to the price reported last month in January 2025 (US\$ 623/kg). The average dry opium price at trader level in February 2025 is 30% Lower than the price reported last year in February 2024, which was (US\$ 837.1/kg).

Dry opium price collected from traders has increased by 7%, and 4% in the North-eastern and Western regions respectively. The price has decreased by 32%, 10%, and 7% in the Southern, Northern and Eastern regions respectively.

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

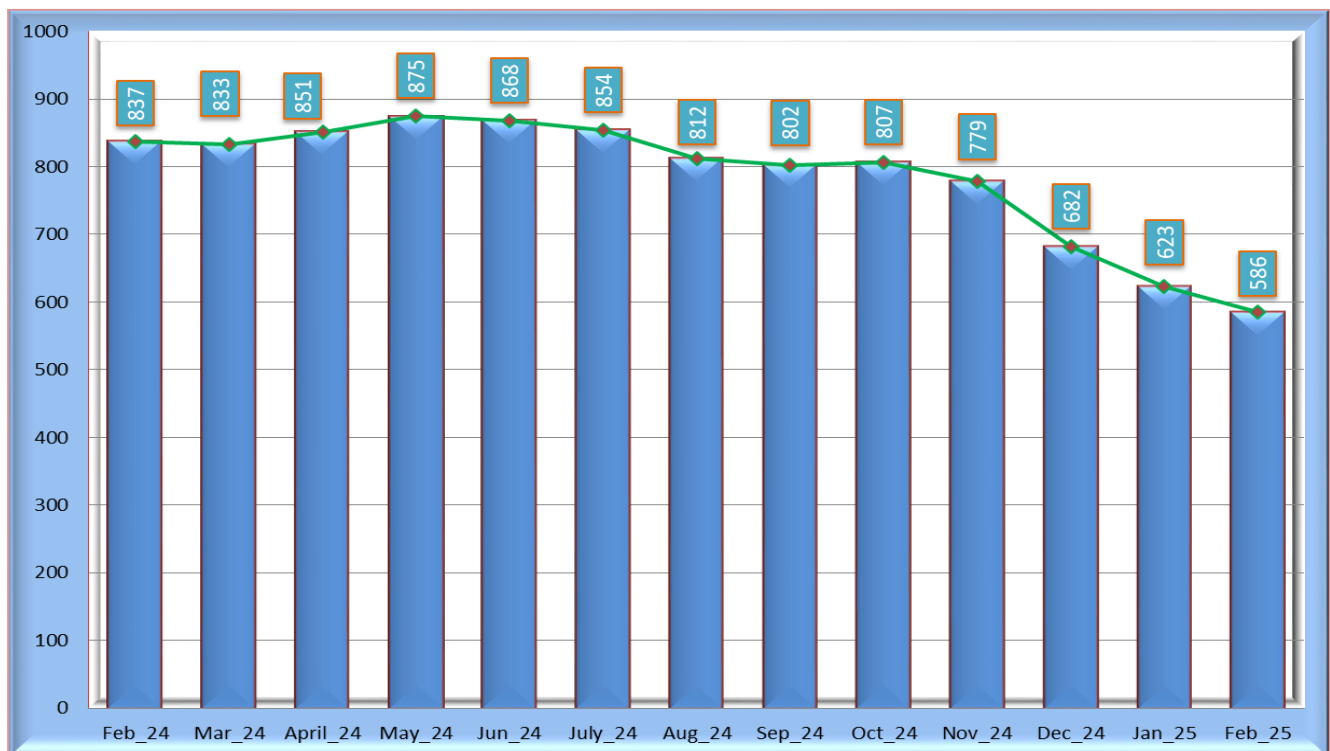


Table 3: Regional average price of dry opium from traders US\$/Kg (January 2025 to February 2025)

Region	Price of Dry Opium (US\$/Kg)		Price change (%)
	Jan-25	Feb-25	
Eastern region (Kunar, Laghman and Nangarhar)	1029	958	-7%
Southern region (Hilmand, Kandahar, Uruzgan, Zabul and diykundy)	456	312	-32%
Western region (Badghis, Farah, Ghor, Hirat and Nimroz)	678	703	+4%
North-eastern region (Badakhshan, Kunduz and Takhar)	440	472	+7%
Northern region (Baghlan, Balkh, Faryab, Sur-Pul, Jawzjan and Samangan)	423	382	-10%
Central region (Kabul, Ghazni and Kapisa)	-	-	-
Average	623	586	-6%

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\$ 569/kg) in February 2025, showing a decrease of 11% compared to the price reported in January 2025 (US\$ 636/kg). The average price of one kilogram of Chaynaki dry opium at the farm-gate level in Hilmand province was (US\$ 554/kg) in February 2025, showing a decrease of 16% compared to the price reported in January 2025 (US\$ 659/kg).

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

Dry Opium (Chaynaki quality)	Balkh		Price change (Feb - Jan) %	Hilmand		Price change (Feb - Jan) %
	Jan-25	Feb-25		Jan-25	Feb-25	
<i>Farm-gate price (US\$/Kg)</i>	636	569	-11%	659	554	-16%

3.2.2. Trader price

In Balkh province, the average price of one kilogram of **Chaynaki** dry opium at trader level was (US\$ 577/kg) in February 2025, showing a decrease of 10% compared to the price reported in January 2025 (US\$ 643/kg). In Hilmand province, the average price of one kilogram of Chaynaki dry opium at trader level was (US\$ 558/kg) in February 2025, showing a decrease of 16% compared to the price reported in January 2025 (US\$ 663/kg).

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

Dry Opium (Chaynaki quality)	Balkh		Price change (Feb - Jan) %	Hilmand		Price change (Feb - Jan) %
	Jan-25	Feb-25		Jan-25	Feb-25	
<i>Trader price (US\$/Kg)</i>	643	577	-10%	663	558	-16%

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 (Feb-Jan) (%)	Change at trader level (Feb-Jan) (%)
		Jan-25		Feb-25			
		Farm-gate	Trader	Farm-gate	Trader		
Eastern region (Kunar, Laghman and and Nangarhar)	Pakistani Rupee	285315	286172	266097	266955	-7%	-7%
Southern region (Hilmand, Kandahar, Uruzgan and Zabul and diykundi)	Pakistani Rupee	125663	126703	86129	87168	-31%	-31%
Western region (Badghis and Ghor) *	Afghani	43845	44880	42710	43560	-3%	-3%
Western region (Farah, Hirat and Nimroz) *	Imanian Tuman	33404571	34043083	35086423	35736349	+5%	+5%
North-eastern region (Badakhshan, Kunduz and Takhar)	Afghani	31071	33343	32087	34330	+3%	+3%
Northern region (Baghlan, Balkh, Faryab, Suri-Pul, Jawzjan and Samangan)	Afghani	31589	31996	27207	27679	-14%	-13%
Central region (Kabul, Ghazni and Kapisa)	Afghani	65667	-	46600	-	-29%	-

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

3.3 Fresh Opium

At the end of February 2025, the national average price of fresh opium decreased by 7% from (US\$ 358/kg) in January 2025 to (US\$ 334/kg) in February 2025 at the farm-gate level. Similarly, the national average price of fresh opium at trader level decreased by 5% from (US\$ 374/kg) in January 2025 to (US\$ 355/kg) in February 2025.

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

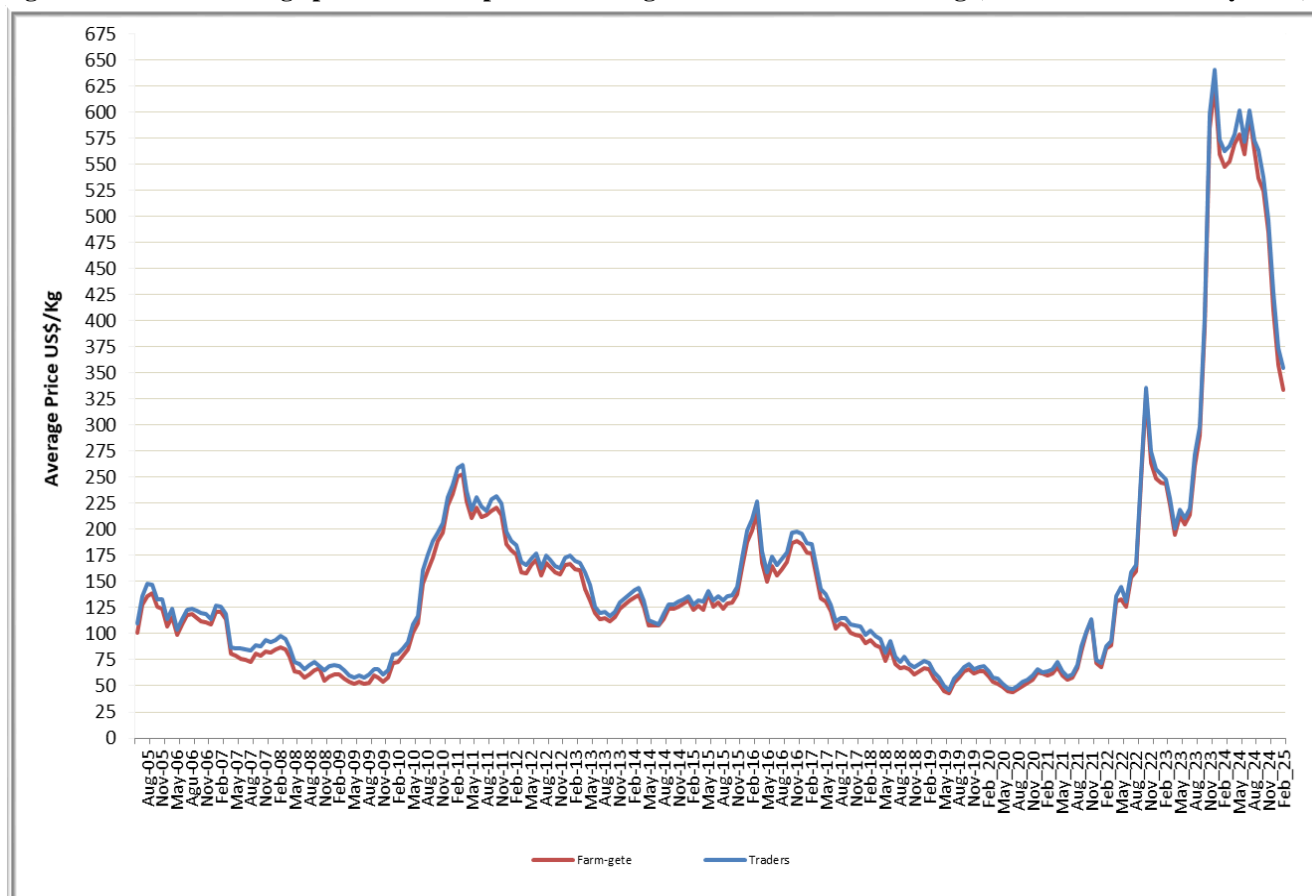


Table 7: Regional average price of fresh opium at farm-gate and trader level in other than USD currency

Region	Local currency	Price of 1 kg of Fresh Opium in local currency				change at farm-gate level (Feb-Jan) (%)	Change at trader level (Feb-Jan) (%)
		Jan-25		Feb-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	85943	87814	59622	61971	-31%	-29%
Western region (Badghis and Ghor) *	Afghani	31980	33085	30795	31853	-4%	-4%
Western region (Farah, Hirat and Nimroz) *	Iranian Tuman	19242128	21237334	19383047	21311246	+0.7%	+0.3%
North-eastern region (Badakhshan, Kunduz and Takhar)	Afghani	26781	28299	26658	28931	-0.5%	+2%
Northern region (Baghlan, Balkh, Faryab, Suri-Pul, Jawzjan and Samangan)	Afghani	23600	24036	19100	19650	-19%	-18%
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\$ 325/kg) is called as Khata - 2 reported in Nangarhar province.

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

Provinces	Types of heroin	Feb-24	Mar-24	Apr-24	May-24	Jun-24	Jul-24	Aug-24	Sep-24	Oct-24	Nov-24	Dec-24	Jan-25	Feb-25	Change (Feb-Jan) %
Badakhshan	Batan (100)	-	11,000	-	11,708	11,554	11,230	10,769	11,273	11,288	11,236	10,684	9,761	10,175	+4.2%
	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	9,538	9,534	11,122	10,697	10,020	8,050	7,475	7,812	7,910	7,919	7,344	6,595	6,889	+4.5%
Takhar	Batan (100)	-	-	-	12,134	10,698	9,998	9,618	10,123	10,801	10,757	10,080	9,233	9,639	+4.4%
	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	10,040	10,072	10,100	10,644	9,699	8,193	7,318	7,887	7,621	7,470	7,056	6,595	6,875	+4.2%
	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	8,032	8,057	8,082	8,834	8,701	7,305	6,136	5,028	5,096	4,856	4,248	4,023	4,194	+4.2%
Kunduz	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	10,542	10,575	9,823	10,332	9,628	8,308	7,017	6,416	6,420	6,454	6,077	5,698	5,926	+4.0%
Nangarhar	Off- white powder (Batan)	6,387	8,202	8,574	8,569	8,632	8,689	8,735	8,736	8,723	8,823	7,245	7,014	7,103	+1.3%
	Bist powder	5,518	7,015	7,409	7,410	7,469	7,501	7,945	7,499	6,932	7,005	5,515	5,252	5,332	+1.5%
	Chara # 1	1,270	1,331	1,435	1,447	1,451	1,569	1,609	1,594	1,560	1,585	1,262	1,223	1,265	+3.4%
	Chara # 2	583	630	681	702	745	759	808	786	786	778	701	683	795	+16.4%
	Khata # 1	322	342	386	403	439	449.7	477.7	451	415	450	378	324	354	+9.4%
	Khata # 2	233	252	281	306	342	353	374	361	343	353	324	288	325	+13.1%
Faryab	Off- white powder (Batan) - high quality-60%	5,816	6,271	6,761	7,215	6,016	6,086	6,002	6,158	6,313	5,966	5,663	5,237	5,350	+2.2%
	Off- white powder (Batan) - low quality-40%	4,431	4,703	5,071	5,388	5,300	5,327	5,259	5,372	5,543	5,220	4,912	4,527	4,621	+2.1%
Balkh	Off- white powder (Batan) - high quality-60%	5,962	6,263	6,604	6,770	6,880	6,876	6,805	7,045	7,237	6,929	6,571	6,301	6,423	+1.9%
	Off- white powder (Batan) - low quality-40%	4,506	4,982	5,340	5,642	5,447	5,543	5,504	5,680	5,851	5,555	5,304	4,914	4,993	+1.6%
	Bist powder 20%	2,496	2,705	2,810	3,103	2,867	3,008	2,959	3,040	3,080	2,912	2,717	2,491	2,503	+0.5%
Helmand	Off- white powder (Batan) - high quality	5,957	6,118	5,942	5,576	5,751	6,126	6,294	5,959	4,866	4,862	4,505	4,140	3,723	-10.1%
	Off- white powder (Batan) - low quality	5,742	5,974	5,762	5,396	5,535	5,909	6,114	5,778	4,686	4,682	4,325	3,960	3,580	-9.6%
	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	8,721	8,277	8,102	7,374	8,267	8,648	8,811	8,486	7,028	7,023	5,947	5,579	5,190	-7.0%
	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	8,864	8,457	8,282	7,554	7,979	8,360	8,595	8,270	6,812	6,807	6,091	5,363	5,011	-6.6%
	Morphine	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Kandahar	Off- white powder (Batan) - high quality	5,957	6,082	5,942	5,576	5,751	6,126	6,294	5,959	4,866	4,862	4,505	4,140	3,687	-10.9%
	Off- white powder (Batan) - low quality	5,742	5,830	5,762	5,396	5,535	5,909	6,114	5,778	4,686	4,682	4,325	3,960	3,580	-9.6%
	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	8,613	8,349	8,354	7,374	8,267	8,612	8,631	8,306	7,209	7,023	5,947	5,579	5,190	-7.0%
	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	8,721	8,457	8,210	7,554	7,979	8,288	8,415	8,089	6,992	6,807	6,091	5,723	5,011	-12.4%
	Morphine	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Badghis	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	3,988	4,098	4,005	3,957	4,065	4,011	4,038	4,159	4,092	4,004	3,989	3,654	3,712	+1.6%
Hirat	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	6,896	7,256	7,237	7,279	7,132	7,248	6,874	7,129	7,150	6,350	5,544	4,946	5,087	+2.9%
	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	6,038	6,047	6,324	5,371	5,206	5,085	4,941	4,233	4,183	4,094	-	-	-	-
	Bist powder	7,963	8,537	7,940	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Morphine	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,639	-	-	-	4,781	4,353	4,537	+4.2%
Farah	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	6,924	6,972	7,870	7,067	6,989	6,876	6,444	7,278	6,846	6,723	5,178	4,734	4,950	+4.6%
	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	8,690	8,893	6,464	5,936	5,848	6,052	5,639	5,822	5,362	5,401	-	-	-	-
	Morphine	6,301	6,403	6,324	5,229	5,135	5,873	5,370	5,531	5,111	5,184	4,464	4,036	4,262	+5.6%
Nimroz	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	4,099	5,357	5,354	7,040	7,162	7,131	7,499	-	-	-	4,810	4,643	4,812	+3.7%
	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	3,462	4,524	4,521	5,073	5,321	4,728	4,742	4,049	4,998	4,714	-	-	-	-
	Bist powder	6,190	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,246	5,355	5,190	4,998	4,379	4,565	+4.2%
	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 %
			Jan-25	Feb-25	
Badakhshan	Batan (100)	Afghani	740,000	740,000	0%
	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	Afghani	500,000	501,000	+0.2%
Takhar	Batan (100)	Afghani	700,000	701,000	+0.1%
	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	Afghani	500,000	500,000	0%
	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	Afghani	305,000	305,000	0%
Kunduz	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	Afghani	432,000	431,000	-0.2%
Nangarhar	Off- white powder (Batan)	Pakistani Rupee	1,950,000	1,965,000	+0.8%
	Bist powder	Pakistani Rupee	1,460,000	1,475,000	+1.0%
	Chara # 1	Pakistani Rupee	340,000	350,000	+2.9%
	Chara # 2	Pakistani Rupee	190,000	220,000	+15.8%
	Khata # 1	Pakistani Rupee	90,000	98,000	+8.9%
	Khata # 2	Pakistani Rupee	80,000	90,000	+12.5%
Faryab	Off- white powder (Batan) - high quality -60%	Afghani	391,000	389,000	-0.5%
	Off- white powder (Batan) - low quality -40%	Afghani	338,000	336,000	-0.6%
Balkh	Off- white powder (Batan) - high quality -60%	Afghani	468,000	467,000	-0.2%
	Off- white powder (Batan) - low quality -40%	Afghani	365,000	363,000	-0.5%
	Bist powder - 20%	Afghani	185,000	182,000	-1.6%
Helmand	Off- white powder (Batan) - high quality	Pakistani Rupee	1,150,000	1,040,000	-9.6%
	Off- white powder (Batan) - low quality	Pakistani Rupee	1,100,000	1,000,000	-9.1%
	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	Pakistani Rupee	1,550,000	1,450,000	-6.5%
	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	Pakistani Rupee	1,490,000	1,400,000	-6.0%
	Morphine	Pakistani Rupee	-	-	-
Kandahar	Off- white powder (Batan) - high quality	Pakistani Rupee	1,150,000	1,030,000	-10.4%
	Off- white powder (Batan) - low quality	Pakistani Rupee	1,100,000	1,000,000	-9.1%
	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	Pakistani Rupee	1,550,000	1,450,000	-6.5%
	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	Pakistani Rupee	1,590,000	1,400,000	-11.9%
	Morphine	Pakistani Rupee	-	-	-
Badghis	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	Afghani	277,000	270,000	-2.5%
Hirat	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	Afghani	375,000	370,000	-1.3%
	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	Afghani	-	-	-
	Bist powder	Afghani	-	-	-
	Morphine	Afghani	330,000	330,000	0%
Farah	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	Afghani	358,940	360,000	+0.3%
	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	Afghani	-	-	-
	Morphine	Afghani	306000	310000	+1.3%
Nimruz	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	Afghani	352000	350000	-0.6%
	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	Afghani	-	-	-
	Bist powder	Afghani	332000	332000	0%
	Morphine	Afghani	-	-	-

5. Synthetic Drugs

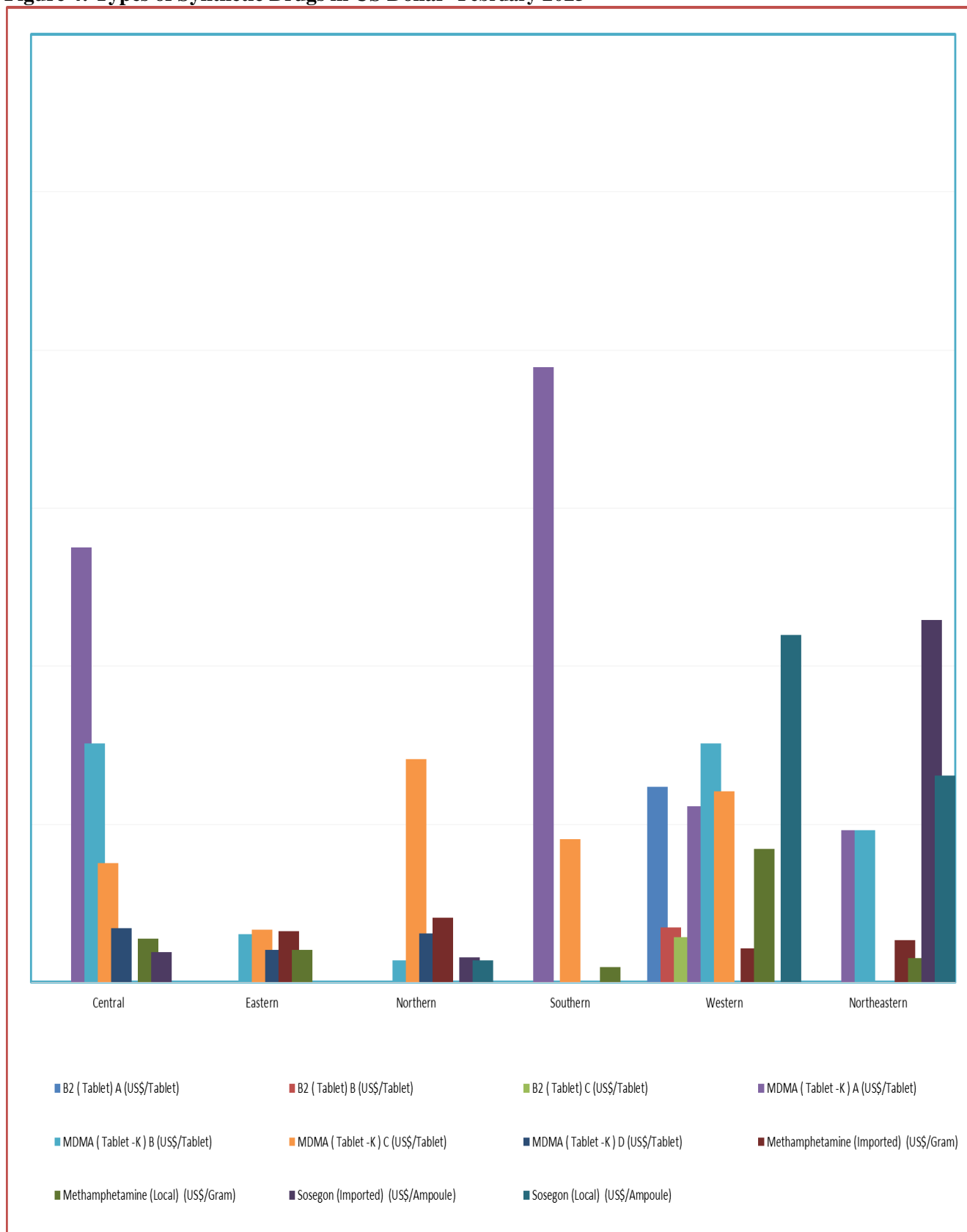
Synthetic drugs are a dangerous chemical and it has intensive effects on health, and after a long time it makes consumer addicted, and can be potentially life threatening. Primary users, of these synthetic drugs are youths in Afghanistan; because products are cheap and easily accessible to teenagers 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	Feb-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- February 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), Feb 2024–Feb 2025

Province	Types of cannabis resin	Feb-24	Mar-24	Apr-24	May-24	Jun-24	Jul-24	Aug-24	Sep-24	Oct-24	Nov-24	Dec-24	Jan-25	Feb-25	Change (Feb-Jan) %
Nangarhar	Garda # 1	100	90	94	101	104	112	115	108	101	90	80	72	64	-10%
Nangarhar	Garda # 2	72	65	68	69	72	77	79	76	72	64	63	61	57	-6%
Nangarhar	Garda # 3	54	50	52	56	54	61	68	65	61	55	54	53	47	-12%
Faryab	Garda # 1 (Sherak)	194	214	239	252	215	222	203	267	285	268	257	231	261	+13%
Faryab	Garda # 2 (Morchajosh)	166	185	204	208	186	189	171	223	234	224	212	188	206	+10%
Faryab	Garda # 3 (khaka)	138	143	162	150	135	140	131	178	189	179	168	145	165	+14%
Balkh	Garda # 1 (Patnosi)	189	199	216	230	218	232	192	297	320	293	254	225	248	+11%
Balkh	Garda # 2 (Morchajosh)	154	171	190	195	182	198	153	237	253	221	184	155	179	+16%
Balkh	Garda # 3 (khaka)	140	142	157	172	163	175	123	178	188	155	123	105	124	+18%
Baghlan	Garda # 1 (Chaki)	209	213	221	224	207	215	200	310	308	269	234	212	232	+10%
Baghlan	Garda # 2 (Morchajosh)	146	157	173	177	160	172	157	243	246	209	178	155	180	+16%
Baghlan	Garda # 3 (khaka)	111	121	132	134	125	139	129	199	200	149	123	107	124	+16%
Badakhshan	Garda # 1 (Shirak)	210	213	218	207	213	236	243	260	280	276	252	237	254	+7%
Takhar	Garda # 1 (Shirak)	217	221	225	238	244	208	215	238	254	284	245	231	247	+7%
Kandahar	Garda # 1 (Sherak)	92	92	116	96	100	124	144	136	116	160	200	240	167	-30%
Kandahar	Garda # 2	49	48	52	44	48	56	76	68	48	80	100	160	91	-43%
Kandahar	Garda # 3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hirat	Garda # 1 (Sherak)	277	299	302	233	221	236	215	252	262	291	302	277	309	+12%
Hirat	Garda # 2 (Morchajosh)	118	135	141	155	136	143	150	178	190	202	158	145	137	-5%
Panjshir	Garda # 1 (Jooshi)	205	184	217	213	210	251	243	263	310	313	245	215	227	+6%
Panjshir	Garda # 2 (Morchajosh)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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

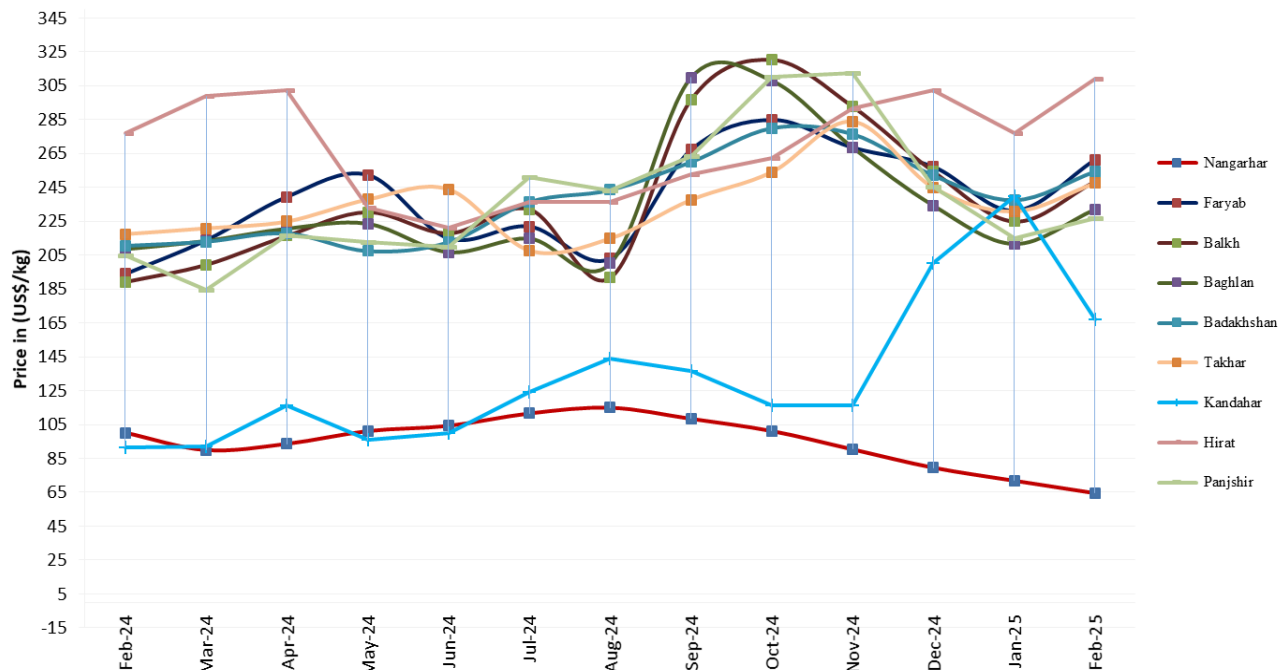
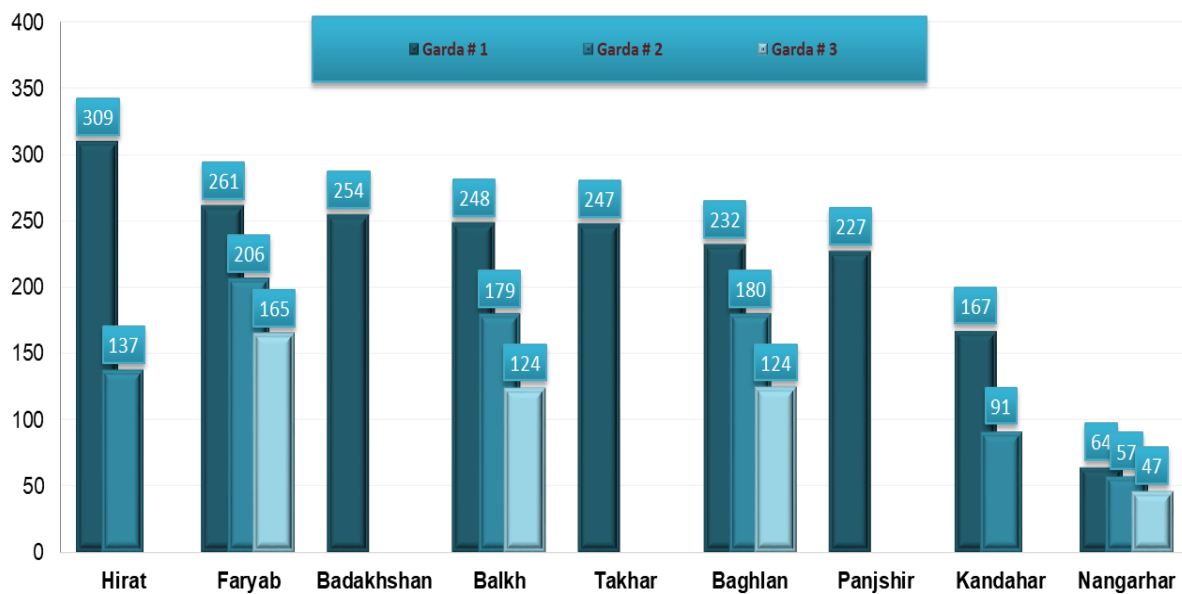


Figure 6: Prices of different types of cannabis resin in Afghanistan (US\$/kg), February 2025**Table 12: Prices of 1 kilogram of different types of cannabis resin in local currency, Jan 2025– Feb 2025**

Province	Types of cannabis resin	Local currency	Prices of 1 kg of different types of cannabis resin in local currency		Change (Feb-Jan) %
			Jan-25	Feb-25	
Nangarhar	Garda # 1	Pakistani Rupee	20,000	18,000	-10%
	Garda # 2	Pakistani Rupee	17,000	16,000	-6%
	Garda # 3	Pakistani Rupee	14,700	13,000	-12%
Faryab	Garda # 1 (Sherak)	Afghani	17,200	19,000	+10%
	Garda # 2 (Morchajosh)	Afghani	14,000	15,000	+7%
	Garda # 3 (khaka)	Afghani	10,800	12,000	+11%
Balkh	Garda # 1 (Patnosi)	Afghani	16,700	18,000	+8%
	Garda # 2 (Morchajosh)	Afghani	11,500	13,000	+13%
	Garda # 3 (khaka)	Afghani	7,800	9,000	+15%
Baghlan	Garda # 1 (Chaki)	Afghani	15,800	16,800	+6%
	Garda # 2 (Morchajosh)	Afghani	11,600	13,000	+12%
	Garda # 3 (khaka)	Afghani	8,000	9,000	+13%
Badakhshan	Garda # 1 (Shirak)	Afghani	18,000	18,500	+3%
Takhar	Garda # 1 (Shirak)	Afghani	17,500	18,000	+3%
Kandahar	Garda # 1 (Sherak)	Pakistani Rupee	66,667	46,667	-30%
	Garda # 2	Pakistani Rupee	44,444	25,556	-43%
	Garda # 3	Pakistani Rupee	-	-	-
Hirat	Garda # 1	Afghani	21,000	22,500	+7%
	Garda # 2	Afghani	11,000	10,000	-9%
Panjshir	Garda # 1 (Jooshi)	Pakistani Rupee	16,000	16,500	+3%
	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, Jan 2025– Feb 2025

Province	Types of seed	Local currency	Prices of 1 kg of cannabis seed and poppy seed in local currency		Change %
			Jan-25	Feb-25	
Badakhshan	Poppy seed	Afghani	90	130	+44%
	Cannabis seed	Afghani	45	70	+56%
Takhar	Poppy seed	Afghani	90	130	+44%
	Cannabis seed	Afghani	50	80	+60%
Balkh	Poppy seed	Afghani	100	114	+14%
	Cannabis seed	Afghani	80	68	-15%
Baghlan	Poppy seed	Afghani	120	90	-25%
	Cannabis seed	Afghani	85	75	-12%
Faryab	Poppy seed	Afghani	126	115	-9%
	Cannabis seed	Afghani	70	80	+14%
Hirat	Poppy seed	Afghani	90	100	+11%
	Cannabis seed	Afghani	85	90	+6%
Farah	Poppy seed	Afghani	130	125	-4%
	Cannabis seed	Afghani	80	85	+6%
Hilmand	Poppy seed	Afghani	41	46	+11%
	Cannabis seed	Afghani	50	40	-20%
Kandahar	Poppy seed	Afghani	53	46	-14%
	Cannabis seed	Afghani	50	46	-9%
Zabul	Poppy seed	Afghani	53	46	-14%
	Cannabis seed	Afghani	56	51	-8%
Uruzgan	Poppy seed	Afghani	59	57	-3%
	Cannabis seed	Afghani	56	54	-3%
Nangarhar	Poppy seed	Pakistani Ruppee	375	325	-13%
	Cannabis seed	Pakistani Ruppee	55	55	0%
Kunar	Poppy seed	Pakistani Ruppee	250	300	+20%
	Cannabis seed	Pakistani Ruppee	-	-	-
Laghman	Poppy seed	Pakistani Ruppee	182	180	-1%
	Cannabis seed	Pakistani Ruppee	130	128	-2%
Kabul	Poppy seed	Afghani	270	150	-44%
Ghazni	Cannabis seed	Afghani	-	-	-
Kapisa	Poppy seed	Afghani	150	100	-33%

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

Types of seeds	Feb-24	Mar-24	Apr-24	May-24	Jun-24	Jul-24	Aug-24	Sep-24	Oct-24	Nov-24	Dec-24	Jan-25	Feb-25	Increase/ Decrease (%)
Cannabis seed	0.933	1.105	1.016	0.980	1.105	1.054	0.920	0.882	0.940	0.902	0.849	0.767	0.836	+9%
Poppy seed	1.603	1.978	1.669	1.659	1.679	1.553	1.468	1.407	1.438	1.400	1.467	1.339	1.256	-6%

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), Feb 2025

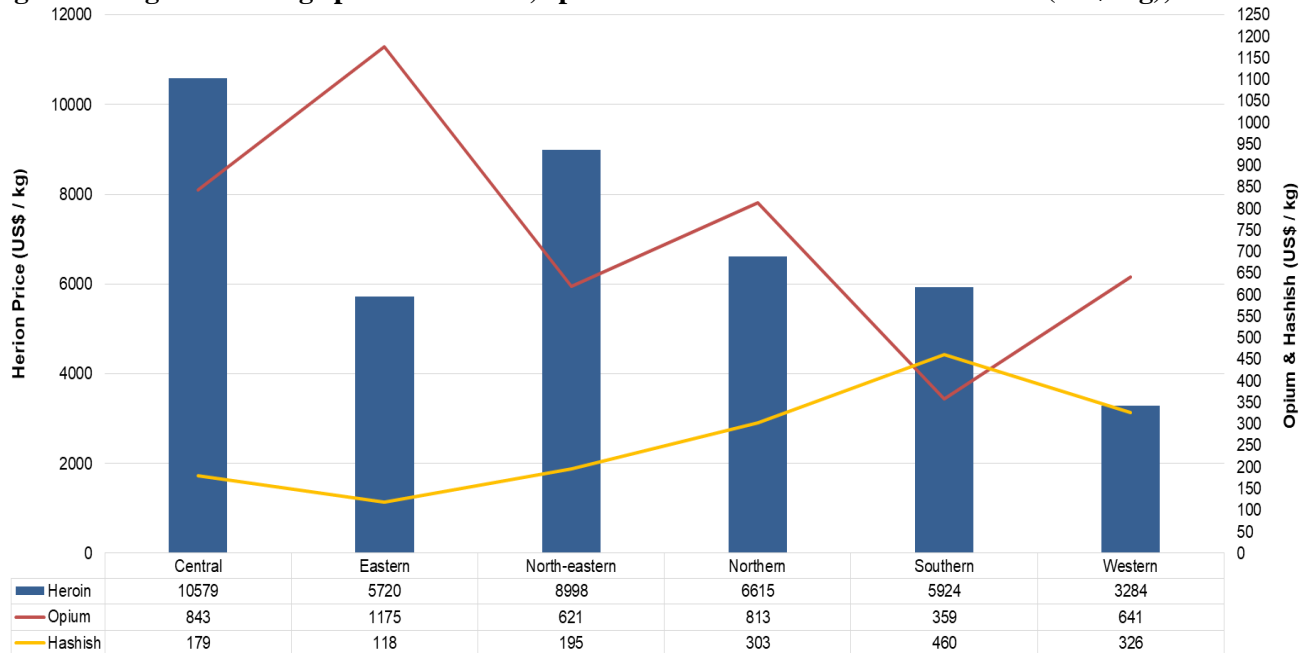


Table 15: Average prices of heroin, opium and hashish at consumer level in Afghanistan (US\$/kg), Feb 24 – Feb 25

Types of drug	Average prices in (US\$/kg)													Change (Jan-Dec) (%)
	Jan-24	Feb-24	Mar-24	Apr-24	May-24	Jun-24	Jul-24	Aug-24	Sep-24	Oct-24	Nov-24	Dec-24	Jan-25	
Heroin	7,150	7,624	7,427	7,928	7,500	7,398	8,220	8,016	8,688	8,807	8,674	8,070	7,531	-7%
Opium	850	812	867	896	885	871	954	922	934	931	905	815	740	-9%
Hashish	214	214	210	226	224	217	226	224	234	249	244	271	265	-2%

9. Price of Acetic Anhydride

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

Variety of Acetic Anhydride	Feb-24	Mar-24	Apr-24	May-24	Jun-24	Jul-24	Aug-24	Sep-24	Oct-24	Nov-24	Dec-24	Jan-25	Feb-25	Increase/Decrease (%)
Acetic Anhydride - A* (Garmani)	232	245	255	223	204	210	207	220	223	218	200	182	158	-13%
Acetic Anhydride - B* (Japani)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Acetic Anhydride - C* (Indian)	119	126	133	145	155	159	166	155	145	180	144	126	172	+37%
Acetic Anhydride - D* (Pakistani)	90	72	77	80	152	156	162	160	153	151	126	108	133	+23%
Acetic Anhydride - E* (Chinees)	193	199	206	204	198	199	194	179	175	190	169	141	118	-16%
Acetic Anhydride - F* (Irani)	134	103	105	109	96	114	112	120	125	108	131	133	107	-19%

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), January 2025– February 2025

Average Price Of "Ephedra" For Each Zone (US\$/Kg)			
Region	Jan-25	Feb-25	Change %
Northern	0.68	0.65	-4%
North-east	0.71	0.71	+0.4%
Western	0.71	0.73	+3%
Central	0.68	0.53	-22%
Southern	1.14	1.13	-1%
Eastern	0.81	0.84	+4%
Average Prices for Afghanistan	0.80	0.78	-2%

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, February 2025

Province	Types of crops	Price/Kg in Pakistani Rupee (PRs)	Price/Kg in Afghani (AFs)	Price/Kg in (US\$)
Nangarhar	Wheat	-	32	0.4
Nangarhar	Cotton	-	98	1.3
Nangarhar	Rice Imported	-	83	1.1
Nangarhar	Rice Local	-	37	0.5
Balkh	Wheat	-	21	0.3
Balkh	Cotton	-	80	1.1
Balkh	Rice Imported	-	95	1.3
Balkh	Rice Local	-	50	0.7
Badakhshan	Wheat	-	22	0.3
Badakhshan	Rice Imported	-	100	1.4
Badakhshan	Rice Local	-	68	0.9
Takhar	Wheat	-	21	0.3
Takhar	Rice Imported	-	100	1.4
Takhar	Rice Local	-	60	0.8
Helmand	Wheat	-	26	0.4
Helmand	Cotton	-	124	1.7
Helmand	Rice Imported	-	83	1.2
Kandahar	Wheat	-	27	0.4
Kandahar	Cotton	-	129	1.8
Kandahar	Rice Imported	-	82	1.1
Hirat	Wheat	-	23	0.3
Hirat	Cotton	-	170	2.3
Hirat	Saffron	-	128000	1760
Hirat	Rice Imported	-	93	1.3
Hirat	Rice Local	-	72	1.0

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

Types of crops	Feb-24	Mar-24	Apr-24	May-24	Jun-24	Jul-24	Aug-24	Sep-24	Oct-24	Nov-24	Dec-24	Jan-25	Feb-25	Increase/Decrease (%)
Wheat (Local)	0.43	0.46	0.38	0.33	0.31	0.29	0.30	0.33	0.35	0.34	0.34	0.32	0.34	+5%
Cotton	1.93	1.88	1.94	1.84	1.77	1.79	1.77	1.81	1.85	1.82	1.74	1.57	1.66	+6%
Saffron	982	1108	1736	1714	1668	1655	1776	1961	1993	1927	1858	1781	1760	-1%
Rice (Imported)	1.64	1.53	1.55	1.46	1.42	1.36	1.29	1.29	1.37	1.34	1.28	1.28	1.25	-2%
Rice (Local)	0.98	1.10	0.96	0.87	0.85	0.79	0.81	0.82	0.85	0.82	0.79	0.76	0.79	+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 farm and trader levels has decreased compared to the previous month (7% and 6%), as has the average price of fresh opium (7% and 5%). 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 drug addicts turning to intoxicating tablets (tablet-k and zicap).

According to our analysis, among the factors mentioned above, the most significant is low enforcement, primarily due to the arrest of drug traffickers and the discovery and seizure of hundreds of tons of drugs nationwide.

Changes in Opium Prices at the Regional Level:

- There has been no significant change in the price of opium in the **Western and Northeastern** regions, and the slight increase is due to the depreciation of the US dollar against other currencies.
- There are four reason for the decline in opium prices in the **southern region**:
 - I. Increased drug detection and seizures in the southern region.
 - II. Absence of a domestic market due to law enforcement.
 - III. Heightened poppy cultivation in Pakistan.
 - IV. Drug addicts are transitioning to narcotics pills (Zicap and tablet-k) instead of opium.
- **Eastern region:** kunar Province, located in the eastern region, has experienced a 25 percent decline in opium prices for two reasons:

- I. A rise in arrests of individuals involved in drug-related activities.
 - II. Drug addicts are shifting to opium pills.
- **Northern Region:** Opium prices have been rising in the past few months due to a lack of buyers in the northern region.
 - In Reasons for the decline in opium in the **central region:**
 - I. Increase poppy cultivation in the provinces bordering Pakistan and the transport of opium from Pakistan to Afghanistan, as well as the lack of opium processing in Afghanistan.

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:

The average price of cannabis nationwide has increased compared to the previous month, due to the increased demand for cannabis in the northern and northeastern regions of the country.

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

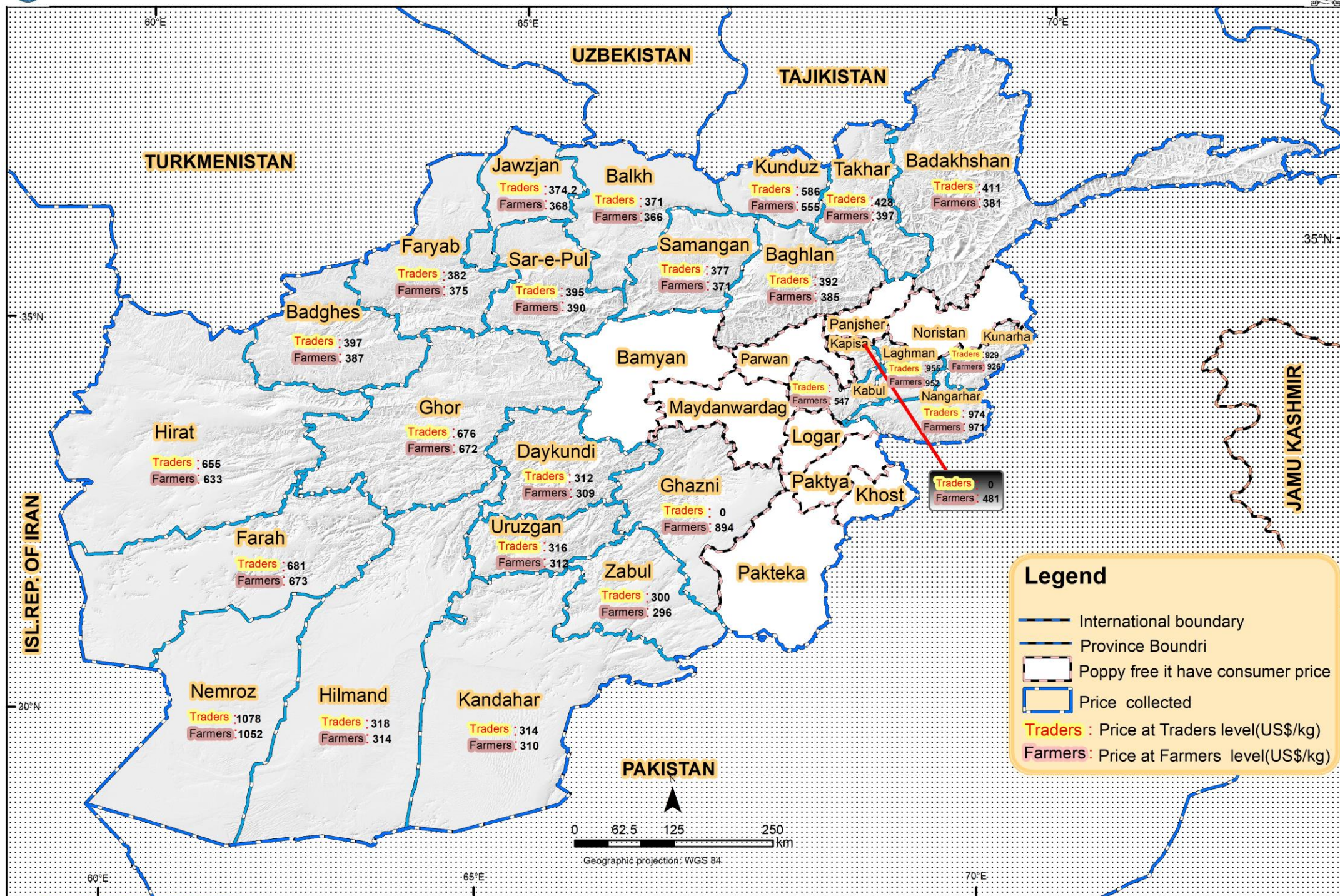
- ❖ Prices are collected in the last week of every month from around twenty farmers and equal numbers of traders by NSAD Survey coordinators generally from different farmers and traders each month. The price data collection is sourced from a few known farmers and traders as well.
- ❖ Opium prices are 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	170	25	
Fresh Opium	109	109	16	



Afghanistan: Average dry Opium Price (February, 2025)





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