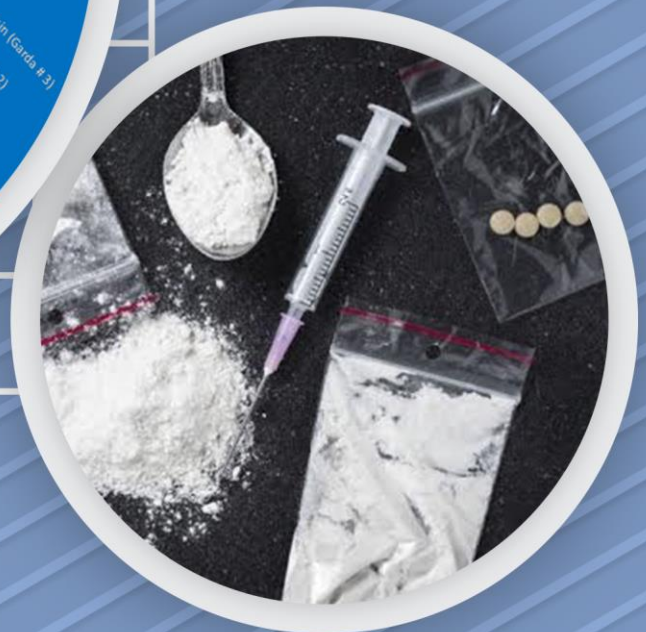
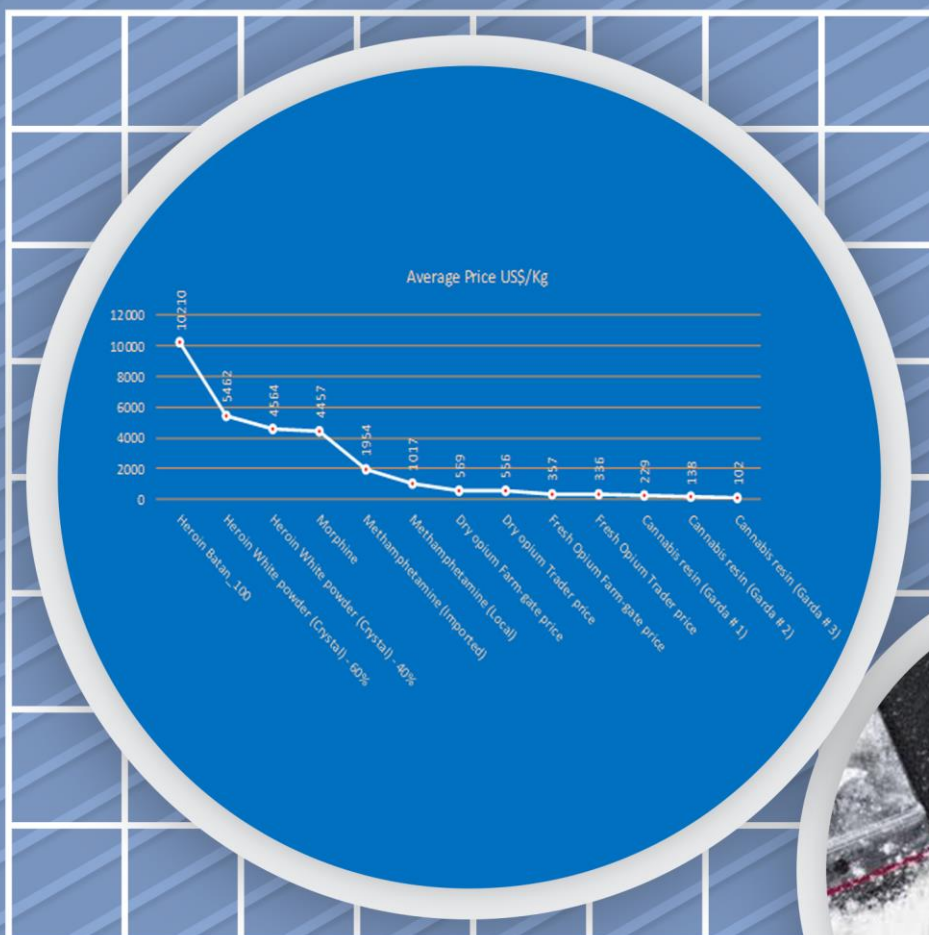




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1. Key Findings

1.1. Trends of Drug prices

Table1: Summary of Drug Prices

Types of drug	By Month			By Year		
	February_2025	March_2025	Change %	March_2024	March_2025	Change %
Dry opium Farm-gate price (US\$/Kg)	575	556	-3.2%	818	556	-32%
Dry opium Trader price (US\$/Kg)	586	569	-2.9%	833	569	-32%
Fresh Opium Farm-gate price (US\$/Kg)	334	336	+1%	553	336	-39%
Fresh Opium Trader price (US\$/Kg)	355	357	+1%	568	357	-37%
Heroin Batan_100 (US\$/Kg)	9907	10210	+3.1%	11000	10210	-7%
Heroin White powder (Crystal) - 60% (US\$/Kg)	5342	5462	+2.2%	7594	5462	-28%
Heroin White powder (Crystal) - 40% (US\$/Kg)	4338	4564	+5.2%	6366	4564	-28%
Morphine (US\$/Kg)	4400	4457	+1.3%	6403	4457	-30%
Cannabis resin (Garda # 1) Price in (US\$/Kg)	223	229	+3%	192	229	+19%
Cannabis resin (Garda # 2) Price in (US\$/Kg)	142	138	-3%	127	138	+9%
Cannabis resin (Garda # 3) Price in (US\$/Kg)	115	102	-11%	114	102	-10%
Methamphetamine (Imported) (US\$/Gram)	1.87	1.95	+5%	2.14	1.95	-8.6%
Methamphetamine (Local) (US\$/Gram)	1.10	1.02	-8%	1.35	1.02	-25%
Sosegon (Imported) (US\$/Ampoule)	1.18	1.23	+5%	1.39	1.23	-11%
Sosegon (Local) (US\$/Ampoule)	0.757	0.803	+6%	0.79	0.803	+1%
MDMA (Tablet -K) A (US\$/Tablet)	13.10	14.15	+8%	15.0	14.15	-6%
MDMA (Tablet -K) B (US\$/Tablet)	5.94	6.43	+8%	10.0	6.43	-36%
MDMA (Tablet -K) C (US\$/Tablet)	4.74	5.49	+16%	6.8	5.49	-19%
MDMA (Tablet -K) D (US\$/Tablet)	2.36	2.20	-7%	3.40	2.20	-35%

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 March 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\$ 556/kg) at the end of March 2025, which is 3.2% Lower compared to the price reported in February 2025 (US\$ 575/kg). The average dry opium price at the farm-gate level in March 2025 is 32% Lower than the price reported in March 2024, which was (US\$ 818/kg).

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

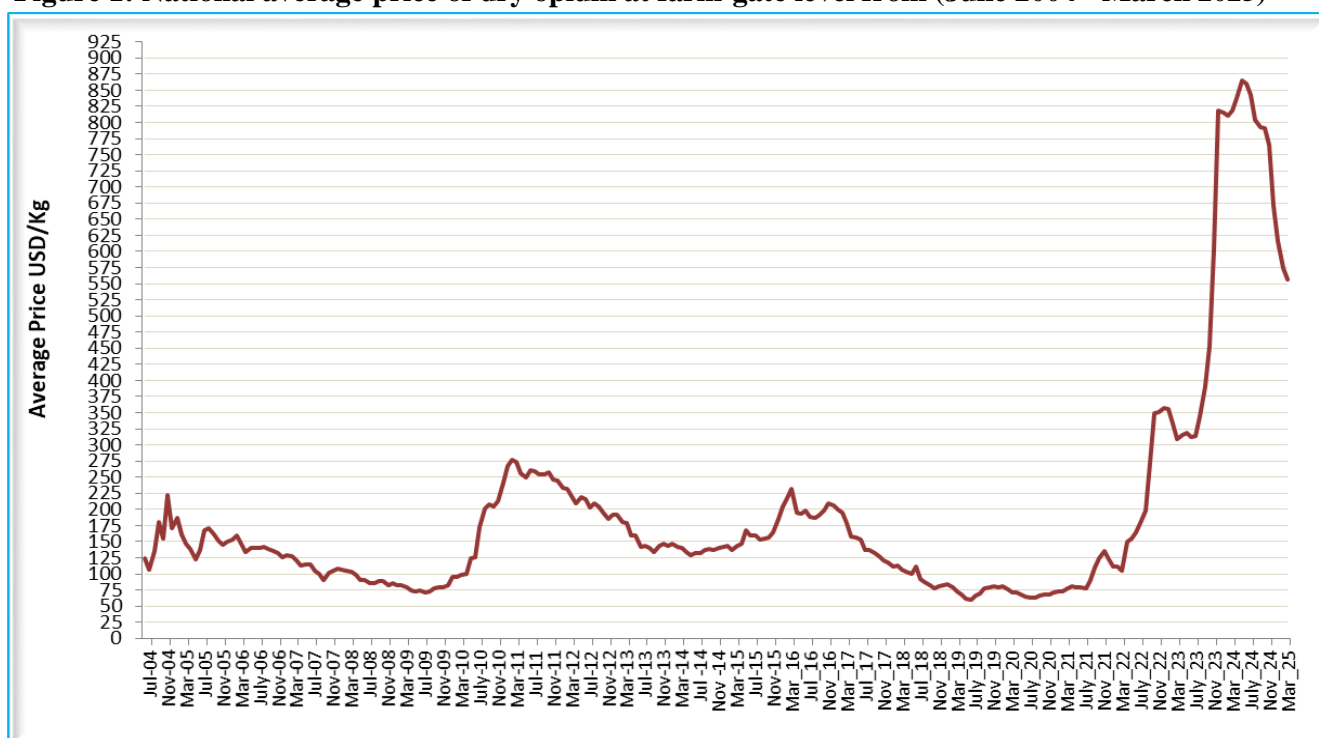


Table 2: Regional average farm-gate price of dry opium US\$/Kg (February 2025 to March 2025)

Region	Price of Dry Opium (US\$/Kg)		Price change (%)
	Feb-25	Mar-25	
Eastern region (Kunar, Laghman and Nangarhar)	955	858	-10%
Southern region (Hilmand, Kandahar, Uruzgan, Zabul and diykundy)	308	321	+4%
Western region (Badghis, Farah, Ghor, Hirat and Nimroz)	689	667	-3%
North-eastern region (Badakhshan, Kunduz and Takhar)	441	447	+1%
Northern region (Baghlan, Balkh, Faryab, Sur-Pul, Jawzjan and Samangan)	376	406	+8%
Central region (Kabul, Ghazni and Kapisa)	641	601	-6%
Average	575	556	-3.2%

3.1.2 Trader Price

The national average dry opium price collected from traders was (US\$ 569/kg) at the end of March 2025, showing 2.9% decrease compared to the price reported last month in February 2025 (US\$ 586/kg).

The average dry opium price at trader level in March 2025 is 32% Lower than the price reported last year in March 2024, which was (US\$ 833kg).

Dry opium price collected from traders has increased by 8%, 4%, and 2% in the Northern, Southern and North-eastern regions respectively. The price has decreased by 10%, and 3% in the Eastern and Western regions respectively.

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

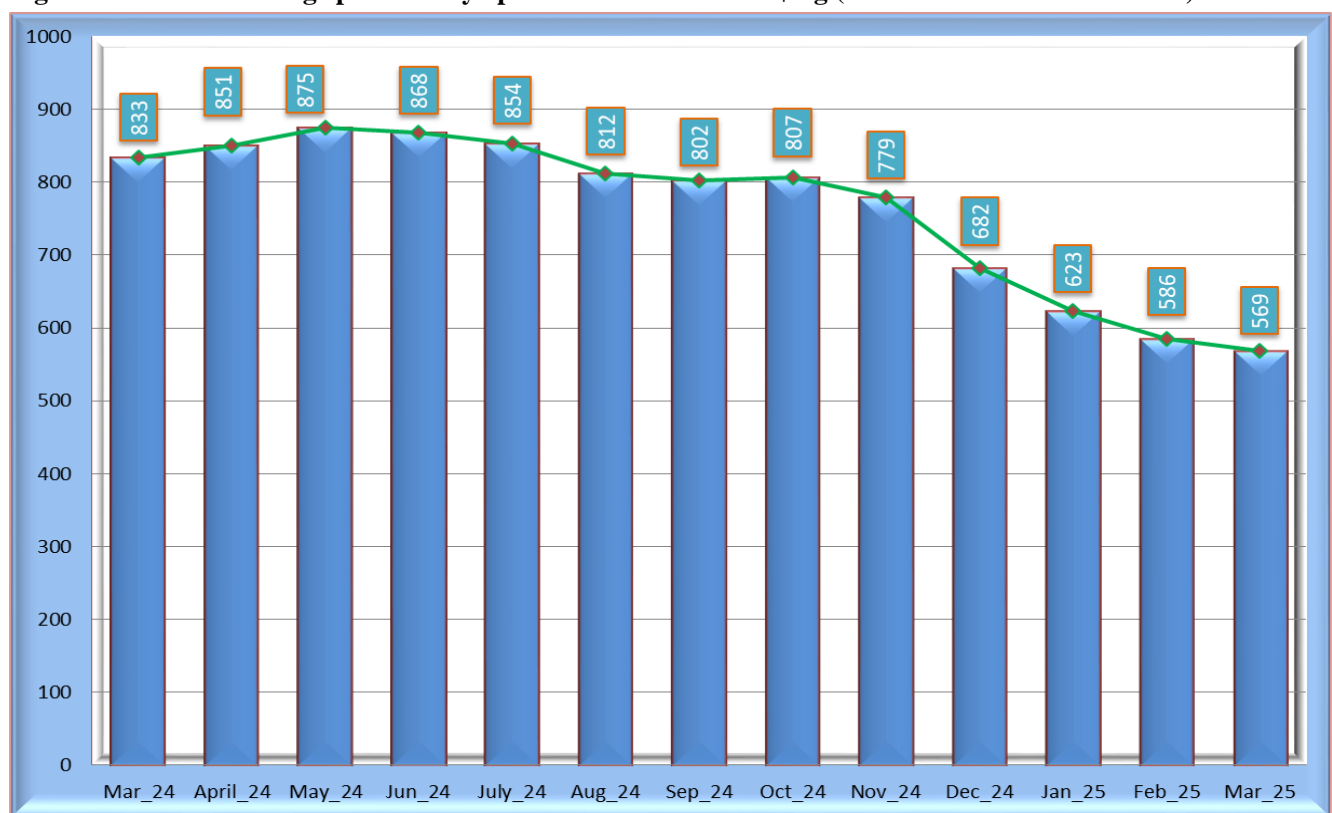


Table 3: Regional average price of dry opium from traders US\$/Kg (February 2025 to March 2025)

Region	Price of Dry Opium (US\$/Kg)		Price change (%)
	Feb-25	Mar-25	
Eastern region (Kunar, Laghman and Nangarhar)	958	861	-10%
Southern region (Hilmand, Kandahar, Uruzgan, Zabul and diykundy)	312	325	+4%
Western region (Badghis, Farah, Ghor, Hirat and Nimroz)	703	684	-3%
North-eastern region (Badakhshan, Kunduz and Takhar)	472	479	+2%
Northern region (Baghlan, Balkh, Faryab, Sur-Pul, Jawzjan and Samangan)	382	412	+8%
Central region (Kabul, Ghazni and Kapisa)	-	-	-
Average	586	569	-2.9%

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\$ 595/kg) in March 2025, showing an increase of 5% compared to the price reported in February 2025 (US\$ 569/kg). The average price of one kilogram of Chaynaki dry opium at the farm-gate level in Hilmand province was (US\$ 558/kg) in March 2025, showing an increase of 1% compared to the price reported in February 2025 (US\$ 554/kg).

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

Dry Opium (Chaynaki quality)	Balkh		Price change (Mar - Feb) %	Hilmand		Price change (Mar - Feb) %
	Feb-25	Mar-25		Feb-25	Mar-25	
<i>Farm-gate price (US\$/Kg)</i>	569	595	+5%	554	558	+1%

3.2.2. Trader price

In Balkh province, the average price of one kilogram of **Chaynaki** dry opium at trader level was (US \$603/kg) in March 2025, showing an increase of 4% compared to the price reported in February 2025 (US \$577/kg). In Hilmand province, the average price of one kilogram of Chaynaki dry opium at trader level was (US \$562/kg) in March 2025, showing an increase of 1% compared to the price reported in February 2025 (US \$558/kg).

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

Dry Opium (Chaynaki quality)	Balkh		Price change (Mar - Feb) %	Hilmand		Price change (Mar - Feb) %
	Feb-25	Mar-25		Feb-25	Mar-25	
<i>Trader price (US\$/Kg)</i>	577	603	+4%	558	562	+1%

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 lavel (Mar-Feb) (%)	Change at trader lavel (Mar-Feb) (%)
		Feb-25		Mar-25			
		Farm-gate	Trader	Farm-gate	Trader		
Eastern region (Kunar, Laghman and and Nangarhar)	Pakistani Rupee	266097	266955	240148	241006	-10%	-10%
Southern region (Hilmand, Kandahar, Uruzgan and Zabul and diykundi)	Pakistani Rupee	86129	87168	90036	91111	+5%	+5%
Western region (Badghis and Ghor) *	Afghani	42710	43560	41655	42915	-2%	-1%
Western region (Farah, Hirat and Nimroz) *	Imanian Tuman	35086423	35736349	32409841	33049636	-8%	-8%
North-eastern region (Badakhshan, Kunduz and Takhar)	Afghani	32087	34330	31310	33583	-2%	-2%
Northern region (Baghlan, Balkh, Faryab, Suri-Pul, Jawzjan and Samangan)	Afghani	27207	27679	28268	28704	+4%	+4%
Central region (Kabul, Ghazni and Kapisa)	Afghani	46600	-	42000	-	-10%	-

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

3.3 Fresh Opium

At the end of March 2025, the national average price of fresh opium increased by 1% from (US\$ 334/kg) in February 2025 to (US\$ 336/kg) in March 2025 at the farm-gate level. Similarly, the national average price of fresh opium at trader level increased by 1% from (US \$355/kg) in February 2025 to (US \$357/kg) in March 2025.

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

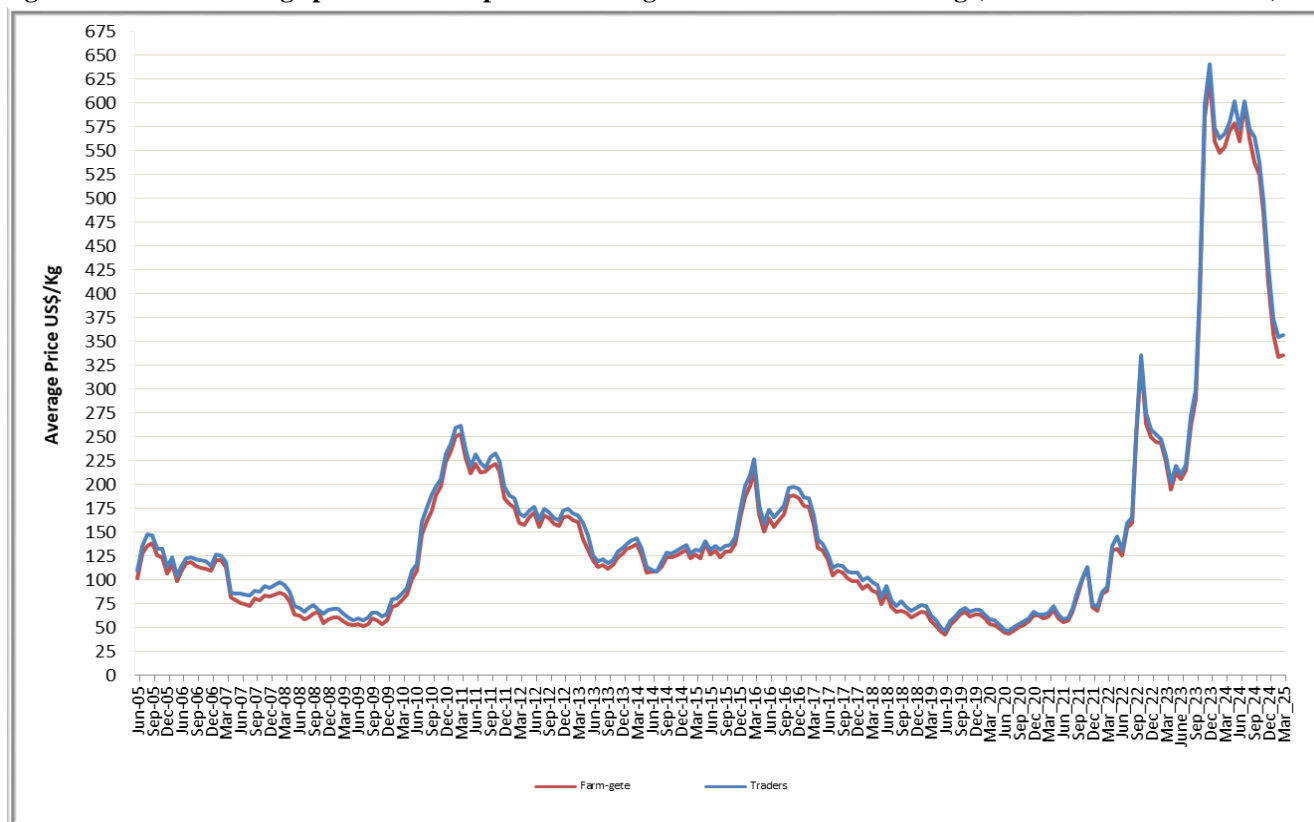


Table 7: Regional average price of fresh opium at farm-gate and trader level in other than USD currency

Region	Local currency	Price of 1 kg of Fresh Opium in local currency				change at farm-gate level (Mar-Feb) (%)	Change at trader level (Mar-Feb) (%)
		Feb-25		Mar-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	59622	61971	63982	65484	+7%	+6%
Western region (Badghis and Ghor) *	Afghani	30795	31853	30355	31413	-1%	-1%
Western region (Farah, Hirat and Ninroz) *	Imanian Tuman	19383047	21311246	16739852	18692306	-14%	-12%
North-eastern region (Badakhshan, Kunduz and Takhar)	Afghani	26658	28931	25860	28133	-3%	-3%
Northern region (Baghlan, Balkh, Faryab, Suri-Pul, Jawzjan and Samangan)	Afghani	19100	19650	19500	19933	+2%	+1%
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 \$304/kg) is called as Khata - 2 reported in Nangarhar province.

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

Provinces	Types of heroin	Mar-24	Apr-24	May-24	Jun-24	Jul-24	Aug-24	Sep-24	Oct-24	Nov-24	Dec-24	Jan-25	Feb-25	Mar-25	Change (Mar-Feb) %
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	10,416	+2.4%
	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	9,534	11,122	10,697	10,020	8,050	7,475	7,812	7,910	7,919	7,344	6,595	6,889	7,292	+5.8%
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	+3.8%
	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	10,072	10,100	10,644	9,699	8,193	7,318	7,887	7,621	7,470	7,056	6,595	6,875	6,992	+1.7%
	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	8,057	8,082	8,834	8,701	7,305	6,136	5,028	5,096	4,856	4,248	4,023	4,194	4,352	+3.8%
Kunduz	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	10,575	9,823	10,332	9,628	8,308	7,017	6,416	6,420	6,454	6,077	5,698	5,926	6,150	+3.8%
Nangarhar	Off- white powder (Batan)	8,202	8,574	8,569	8,632	8,689	8,735	8,736	8,723	8,823	7,245	7,014	7,103	6,993	-1.5%
	Bist powder	7,015	7,409	7,410	7,469	7,501	7,945	7,499	6,932	7,005	5,515	5,252	5,332	5,242	-1.7%
	Chara # 1	1,331	1,435	1,447	1,451	1,569	1,609	1,594	1,560	1,585	1,262	1,223	1,265	1,226	-3.1%
	Chara # 2	630	681	702	745	759	808	786	758	778	701	683	795	765	-3.8%
	Khata # 1	342	386	403	439	450	477.7	450.7	415	450	378	324	354	336	-5.2%
	Khata # 2	252	281	306	342	353	374	361	343	353	324	288	325	304	-6.6%
Faryab	Off- white powder (Batan) - high quality-60%	6,271	6,761	7,215	6,016	6,086	6,002	6,158	6,313	5,966	5,663	5,237	5,350	5,582	+4.3%
	Off- white powder (Batan) - low quality-40%	4,703	5,071	5,388	5,300	5,327	5,259	5,372	5,543	5,220	4,912	4,527	4,621	4,838	+4.7%
Balkh	Off- white powder (Batan) - high quality-60%	6,263	6,604	6,770	6,880	6,876	6,805	7,045	7,237	6,929	6,571	6,301	6,423	6,727	+4.7%
	Off- white powder (Batan) - low quality-40%	4,982	5,340	5,642	5,447	5,543	5,504	5,680	5,851	5,555	5,304	4,914	4,993	5,224	+4.6%
	Bist powder 20%	2,705	2,810	3,103	2,867	3,008	2,959	3,040	3,080	2,912	2,717	2,491	2,503	2,648	+5.8%
Helmand	Off- white powder (Batan) - high quality	6,118	5,942	5,576	5,751	6,126	6,294	5,959	4,866	4,862	4,505	4,140	3,723	3,749	+0.7%
	Off- white powder (Batan) - low quality	5,974	5,762	5,396	5,535	5,909	6,114	5,778	4,686	4,682	4,325	3,960	3,580	3,606	+0.8%
	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	8,277	8,102	7,374	8,267	8,648	8,811	8,486	7,028	7,023	5,947	5,579	5,190	5,535	+6.6%
	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	8,457	8,282	7,554	7,979	8,360	8,595	8,270	6,812	6,807	6,091	5,363	5,011	5,713	+14.0%
	Morphine	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Kandahar	Off- white powder (Batan) - high quality	6,082	5,942	5,576	5,751	6,126	6,294	5,959	4,866	4,862	4,505	4,140	3,687	3,714	+0.7%
	Off- white powder (Batan) - low quality	5,830	5,762	5,396	5,535	5,909	6,114	5,778	4,686	4,682	4,325	3,960	3,580	3,571	-0.2%
	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	8,349	8,354	7,374	8,267	8,612	8,631	8,306	7,209	7,023	5,947	5,579	5,190	5,463	+5.3%
	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	8,457	8,210	7,554	7,979	8,288	8,415	8,089	6,992	6,807	6,091	5,723	5,011	5,356	+6.9%
	Morphine	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Badghis	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	4,098	4,005	3,957	4,065	4,011	4,038	4,159	4,092	4,004	3,989	3,654	3,712	3,853	+3.8%
Hirat	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	7,256	7,237	7,279	7,132	7,248	6,874	7,129	7,150	6,350	5,544	4,946	5,087	5,137	+1.0%
	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	6,047	6,324	5,371	5,206	5,085	4,941	4,233	4,183	4,094	-	-	-	-	-
	Bist powder	8,537	7,940	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Morphine	-	-	-	-	-	5,639	-	-	-	4,781	4,353	4,537	4,637	+2.2%
Farah	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	6,972	7,870	7,067	6,989	6,876	6,444	7,278	6,846	6,723	5,178	4,734	4,950	4,281	-13.5%
	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	8,893	6,464	5,936	5,848	6,052	5,639	5,822	5,362	5,401	-	-	-	-	-
	Morphine	6,403	6,324	5,229	5,135	5,873	5,370	5,531	5,111	5,184	4,464	4,036	4,262	3,995	-6.3%
Nimroz	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	5,357	5,354	7,040	7,162	7,131	7,499	-	-	-	4,810	4,643	4,812	4,923	+2.3%
	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	4,524	4,521	5,073	5,321	4,728	4,742	4,049	4,998	4,714	-	-	-	-	-
	Bist powder	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,355	5,190	4,998	4,379	4,565	4,680	+2.5%
	Morphine	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,737	-

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 %
			Feb-25	Mar-25	
Badakhshan	Batan (100)	Afghani	740,000	730,000	-1%
	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	Afghani	501,000	511,000	+2%
Takhar	Batan (100)	Afghani	701,000	701,000	0%
	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	Afghani	500,000	490,000	-2%
	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	Afghani	305,000	305,000	0%
Kunduz	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	Afghani	431,000	431,000	0%
Nangarhar	Off- white powder (Batan)	Pakistani Rupee	1,965,000	1,957,000	-0.4%
	Bist powder	Pakistani Rupee	1,475,000	1,467,000	-1%
	Chara # 1	Pakistani Rupee	350,000	343,000	-2%
	Chara # 2	Pakistani Rupee	220,000	214,000	-3%
	Khata # 1	Pakistani Rupee	98,000	94,000	-4%
	Khata # 2	Pakistani Rupee	90,000	85,000	-6%
Faryab	Off- white powder (Batan) - high quality -60%	Afghani	389,000	390,000	+0.3%
	Off- white powder (Batan) - low quality -40%	Afghani	336,000	338,000	+1%
Balkh	Off- white powder (Batan) - high quality -60%	Afghani	467,000	470,000	+1%
	Off- white powder (Batan) - low quality -40%	Afghani	363,000	365,000	+1%
	Bist powder - 20%	Afghani	182,000	185,000	+2%
Helmand	Off- white powder (Batan) - high quality	Pakistani Rupee	1,040,000	1,050,000	+1%
	Off- white powder (Batan) - low quality	Pakistani Rupee	1,000,000	1,010,000	+1%
	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	Pakistani Rupee	1,450,000	1,550,000	+7%
	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	Pakistani Rupee	1,400,000	1,600,000	+14%
	Morphine	Pakistani Rupee	-	-	-
Kandahar	Off- white powder (Batan) - high quality	Pakistani Rupee	1,030,000	1,040,000	+1%
	Off- white powder (Batan) - low quality	Pakistani Rupee	1,000,000	1,000,000	0%
	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	Pakistani Rupee	1,450,000	1,530,000	+6%
	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	Pakistani Rupee	1,400,000	1,500,000	+7%
	Morphine	Pakistani Rupee	-	-	-
Badghis	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	Afghani	270,000	270,000	0%
Hirat	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	Afghani	370,000	360,000	-3%
	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	Afghani	-	-	-
	Bist powder	Afghani	-	-	-
	Morphine	Afghani	330,000	325,000	-2%
	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	Afghani	360,000	300,000	-17%
Farah	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	Afghani	-	-	-
	Morphine	Afghani	310000	280000	-10%
	White powder (Crystal) - 60%	Afghani	350000	345000	-1%
Nimruz	White powder (Crystal) - 40%	Afghani	-	-	-
	Bist powder	Afghani	332000	328000	-1%
	Morphine	Afghani	-	332000	-

5. Synthetic Drugs

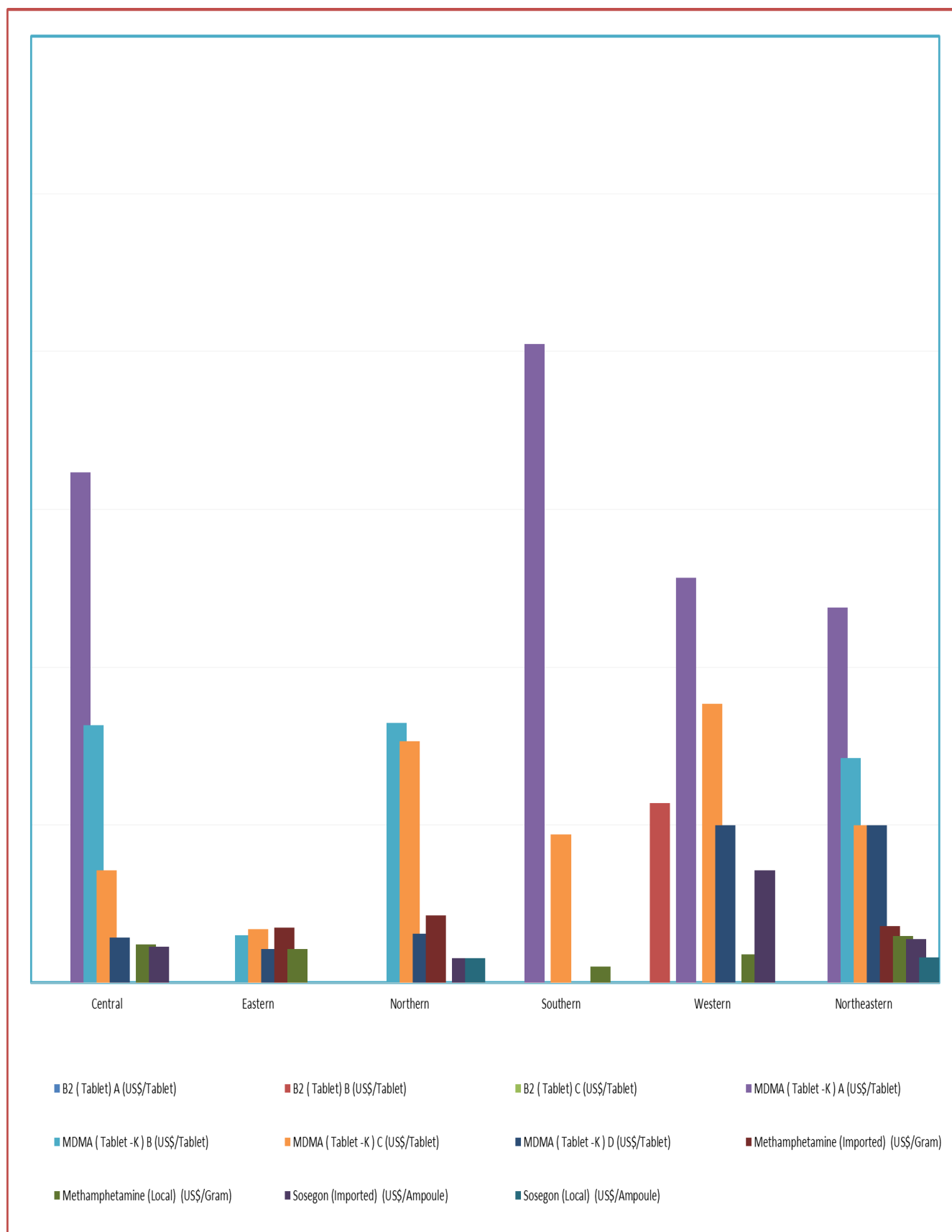
Synthetic drugs are a dangerous chemical and it has intensive effects on health, and after a long time it makes consumer addicted, and can be potentially life threatening. Primary users, of these synthetic drugs are youths in Afghanistan; because products are cheap and easily accessible to teenagers 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	Mar-25
Central	Methamphetamine (Imported) (US\$/Gram)	-
	Methamphetamine (Local) (US\$/Gram)	1.2
	Sosegon (Imported) (US\$/Ampoule)	1.15
	Sosegon (Local) (US\$/Ampoule)	-
	MDMA (Tablet -K) A (US\$/Tablet)	16.2
	MDMA (Tablet -K) B (US\$/Tablet)	8.2
	MDMA (Tablet -K) C (US\$/Tablet)	3.6
	MDMA (Tablet -K) D (US\$/Tablet)	1.4
	B2 (Tablet) A (US\$/Tablet)	-
	B2 (Tablet) B (US\$/Tablet)	-
	B2 (Tablet) C (US\$/Tablet)	-
Eastern	Methamphetamine (Imported) (US\$/Gram)	1.7
	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)	1.5
	MDMA (Tablet -K) C (US\$/Tablet)	1.7
	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)	2.1
	Methamphetamine (Local) (US\$/Gram)	-
	Sosegon (Imported) (US\$/Ampoule)	0.8
	Sosegon (Local) (US\$/Ampoule)	0.8
	MDMA (Tablet -K) A (US\$/Tablet)	-
	MDMA (Tablet -K) B (US\$/Tablet)	8.2
	MDMA (Tablet -K) C (US\$/Tablet)	7.7
	MDMA (Tablet -K) D (US\$/Tablet)	1.6
	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)	20.2
	MDMA (Tablet -K) B (US\$/Tablet)	-
	MDMA (Tablet -K) C (US\$/Tablet)	4.7
	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)	0.9
	Sosegon (Imported) (US\$/Ampoule)	3.6
	Sosegon (Local) (US\$/Ampoule)	-
	MDMA (Tablet -K) A (US\$/Tablet)	12.8
	MDMA (Tablet -K) B (US\$/Tablet)	-
	MDMA (Tablet -K) C (US\$/Tablet)	8.8
	MDMA (Tablet -K) D (US\$/Tablet)	5.0
	B2 (Tablet) A (US\$/Tablet)	-
	B2 (Tablet) B (US\$/Tablet)	5.7
	B2 (Tablet) C (US\$/Tablet)	-
Northeastern	Methamphetamine (Imported) (US\$/Gram)	1.8
	Methamphetamine (Local) (US\$/Gram)	1.5
	Sosegon (Imported) (US\$/Ampoule)	1.4
	Sosegon (Local) (US\$/Ampoule)	0.8
	MDMA (Tablet -K) A (US\$/Tablet)	11.9
	MDMA (Tablet -K) B (US\$/Tablet)	7.1
	MDMA (Tablet -K) C (US\$/Tablet)	5.0
	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- March 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), Mar 2024–Mar 2025

Province	Types of cannabis resin	Mar-24	Apr-24	May-24	Jun-24	Jul-24	Aug-24	Sep-24	Oct-24	Nov-24	Dec-24	Jan-25	Feb-25	Mar-25	Change (Mar -Feb) %
Nangarhar	Garda # 1	90	94	101	104	112	115	108	101	90	80	72	64	64	0%
Nangarhar	Garda # 2	65	68	69	72	77	79	76	72	64	63	61	57	54	-7%
Nangarhar	Garda # 3	50	52	56	54	61	68	65	61	55	54	53	47	43	-8%
Faryab	Garda # 1 (Sherak)	214	239	252	215	222	203	267	285	268	257	231	261	258	-1%
Faryab	Garda # 2 (Morchajoshi)	185	204	208	186	189	171	223	234	224	212	188	206	200	-3%
Faryab	Garda # 3 (khaka)	143	162	150	135	140	131	178	189	179	168	145	165	143	-13%
Balkh	Garda # 1 (Patnosi)	199	216	230	218	232	192	297	320	293	254	225	248	243	-2%
Balkh	Garda # 2 (Morchajoshi)	171	190	195	182	198	153	237	253	221	184	155	179	150	-16%
Balkh	Garda # 3 (khaka)	142	157	172	163	175	123	178	188	155	123	105	124	100	-19%
Baghlan	Garda # 1 (Chaki)	213	221	224	207	215	200	310	308	269	234	212	232	217	-7%
Baghlan	Garda # 2 (Morchajoshi)	157	173	177	160	172	157	243	246	209	178	155	180	173	-3%
Baghlan	Garda # 3 (khaka)	121	132	134	125	139	129	199	200	149	123	107	124	123	-1%
Badakhshan	Garda # 1 (Shirak)	213	218	207	213	236	243	260	280	276	252	237	254	271	+7%
Takhar	Garda # 1 (Shirak)	221	225	238	244	208	215	238	254	284	245	231	247	278	+12%
Kandahar	Garda # 1 (Sherak)	92	116	96	100	124	144	136	116	160	200	240	167	155	-7%
Kandahar	Garda # 2	48	52	44	48	56	76	68	48	80	100	160	91	71	-22%
Kandahar	Garda # 3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hirat	Garda # 1 (Sherak)	299	302	233	221	236	215	252	262	291	302	277	309	328	+6%
Hirat	Garda # 2 (Morchajoshi)	135	141	155	136	143	150	178	190	202	158	145	137	178	+30%
Panjshir	Garda # 1 (Jooshi)	184	217	213	210	251	243	263	310	313	245	215	227	248	+9%
Panjshir	Garda # 2 (Morchajoshi)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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

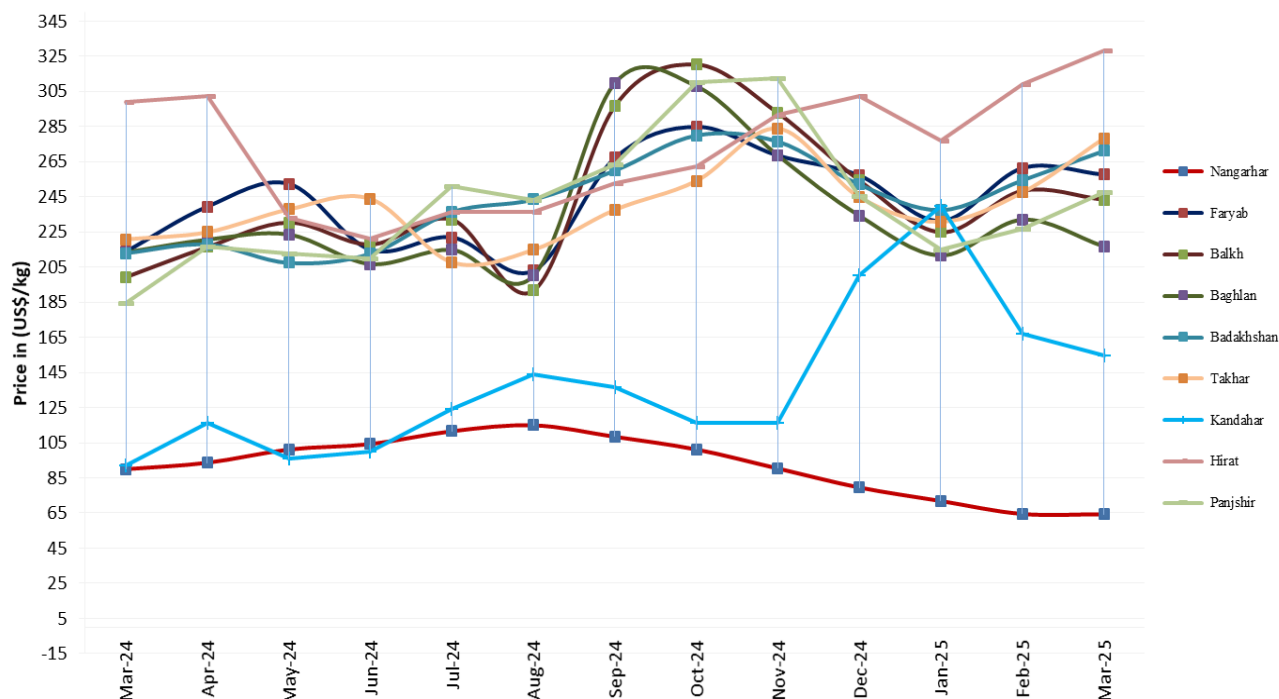
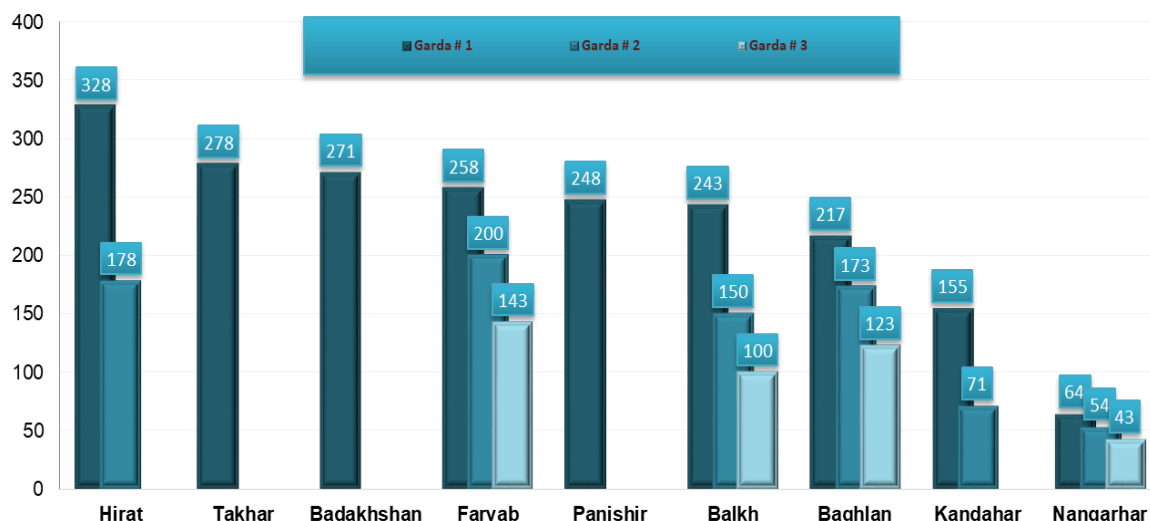


Figure 6: Prices of different types of cannabis resin in Afghanistan (US\$/kg), March 2025**Table 12: Prices of 1 kilogram of different types of cannabis resin in local currency, Feb 2025– Mar 2025**

Province	Types of cannabis resin	Local currency	Prices of 1 kg of different types of cannabis resin in local currency		Change (Mar -Feb) %
			Feb-25	Mar-25	
Nangarhar	Garda # 1	Pakistani Rupee	18,000	18,000	0%
	Garda # 2	Pakistani Rupee	16,000	15,000	-6%
	Garda # 3	Pakistani Rupee	13,000	12,000	-8%
Faryab	Garda # 1 (Sherak)	Afghani	19,000	18,000	-5%
	Garda # 2 (Morchajosh)	Afghani	15,000	14,000	-7%
	Garda # 3 (khaka)	Afghani	12,000	10,000	-17%
Balkh	Garda # 1 (Patnosi)	Afghani	18,000	17,000	-6%
	Garda # 2 (Morchajosh)	Afghani	13,000	10,500	-19%
	Garda # 3 (khaka)	Afghani	9,000	7,000	-22%
Baghlan	Garda # 1 (Chaki)	Afghani	16,800	15,000	-11%
	Garda # 2 (Morchajosh)	Afghani	13,000	12,000	-8%
	Garda # 3 (khaka)	Afghani	9,000	8,500	-6%
Badakhshan	Garda # 1 (Shirak)	Afghani	18,500	19,000	+3%
Takhar	Garda # 1 (Shirak)	Afghani	18,000	19,500	+8%
Kandahar	Garda # 1 (Sherak)	Pakistani Rupee	46,667	43,333	-7%
	Garda # 2	Pakistani Rupee	25,556	20,000	-22%
	Garda # 3	Pakistani Rupee	-	-	-
Hirat	Garda # 1	Afghani	22,500	23,000	+2%
	Garda # 2	Afghani	10,000	12,500	+25%
Panjshir	Garda # 1 (Jooshi)	Pakistani Rupee	16,500	17,292	+5%
	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, Feb 2025– Mar 2025

Province	Types of seed	Local currency	Prices of 1 kg of cannabis seed and poppy seed in local currency		Change %
			Feb-25	Mar-25	
Badakhshan	Poppy seed	Afghani	130	140	+8%
	Cannabis seed	Afghani	70	80	+14%
Takhar	Poppy seed	Afghani	130	130	0%
	Cannabis seed	Afghani	80	85	+6%
Balkh	Poppy seed	Afghani	114	100	-12%
	Cannabis seed	Afghani	68	80	+18%
Baghlan	Poppy seed	Afghani	90	130	+44%
	Cannabis seed	Afghani	75	90	+20%
Faryab	Poppy seed	Afghani	115	115	0%
	Cannabis seed	Afghani	80	70	-13%
Hirat	Poppy seed	Afghani	100	110	+10%
	Cannabis seed	Afghani	90	100	+11%
Farah	Poppy seed	Afghani	125	125	0%
	Cannabis seed	Afghani	85	85	0%
Hilmand	Poppy seed	Afghani	46	36	-22%
	Cannabis seed	Afghani	40	41	+3%
Kandahar	Poppy seed	Afghani	46	38	-16%
	Cannabis seed	Afghani	46	41	-10%
Zabul	Poppy seed	Afghani	46	38	-16%
	Cannabis seed	Afghani	51	44	-15%
Uruzgan	Poppy seed	Afghani	57	49	-14%
	Cannabis seed	Afghani	54	49	-9%
Nangarhar	Poppy seed	Pakistani Ruppee	325	275	-15%
	Cannabis seed	Pakistani Ruppee	55	55	0%
Kunar	Poppy seed	Pakistani Ruppee	300	300	0%
	Cannabis seed	Pakistani Ruppee	-	-	-
Laghman	Poppy seed	Pakistani Ruppee	180	175	-3%
	Cannabis seed	Pakistani Ruppee	128	127	-1%
Kabul	Poppy seed	Afghani	150	160	+7%
Ghazni	Cannabis seed	Afghani	-	-	-
Kapisa	Poppy seed	Afghani	100	100	0%

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

Types of seeds	Mar-24	Apr-24	May-24	Jun-24	Jul-24	Aug-24	Sep-24	Oct-24	Nov-24	Dec-24	Jan-25	Feb-25	Mar-25	Increase/ Decrease (%)
Cannabis seed	1.105	1.016	0.980	1.105	1.054	0.920	0.882	0.940	0.902	0.849	0.767	0.836	0.895	+7%
Poppy seed	1.978	1.669	1.659	1.679	1.553	1.468	1.407	1.438	1.400	1.467	1.339	1.256	1.306	+4%

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), Mar 2025

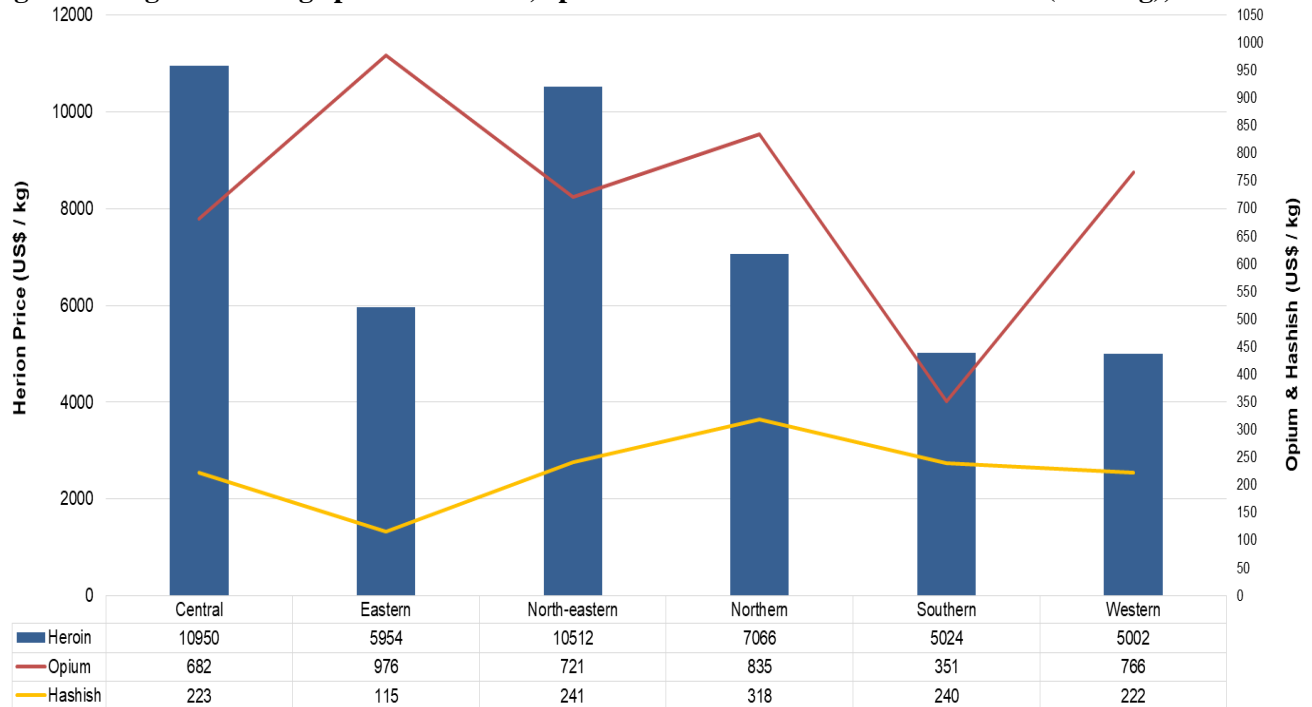


Table 15: Average prices of heroin, opium and hashish at consumer level in Afghanistan (US\$/kg), Mar 24 – Mar 25

Types of drug	Average prices in (US\$/kg)													
	Mar-24	Apr-24	May-24	Jun-24	Jul-24	Aug-24	Sep-24	Oct-24	Nov-24	Dec-24	Jan-25	Feb-25	Mar-25	Change (Mar-Feb) (%)
Heroin	7,427	7,928	7,500	7,398	8,220	8,016	8,688	8,807	8,674	8,070	7,531	7,389	8,115	+10%
Opium	867	896	885	871	954	922	934	931	905	815	740	682	703	+3%
Hashish	210	226	224	217	226	224	234	249	244	271	265	254	235	-7%

9. Price of Acetic Anhydride

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

Variety of Acetic Anhydride	Mar-24	Apr-24	May-24	Jun-24	Jul-24	Aug-24	Sep-24	Oct-24	Nov-24	Dec-24	Jan-25	Feb-25	Mar-25	Increase/Decrease (%)
Acetic Anhydride - A* (Garmani)	245	255	223	204	210	207	220	223	218	200	182	158	164	+4%
Acetic Anhydride - B* (Japani)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Acetic Anhydride - C* (Indian)	126	133	145	155	159	166	155	145	180	144	126	172	114	-34%
Acetic Anhydride - D* (Pakistani)	72	77	80	152	156	162	160	153	151	126	108	133	100	-25%
Acetic Anhydride - E* (Chinees)	199	206	204	198	199	194	179	175	190	169	141	118	150	+27%
Acetic Anhydride - F* (Irani)	103	105	109	96	114	112	120	125	108	131	133	107	99	-8%

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), February 2025– March 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, March 2025

Province	Types of crops	Price/Kg in Pakistani Rupee (PRs)	Price/Kg in Afghani (AFs)	Price/Kg in (US\$)
Nangarhar	Wheat	-	34	0.5
Nangarhar	Cotton	-	100	1.4
Nangarhar	Rice Imported	-	88	1.3
Nangarhar	Rice Local	-	38	0.5
Balkh	Wheat	-	22	0.3
Balkh	Cotton	-	90	1.3
Balkh	Rice Imported	-	92	1.3
Balkh	Rice Local	-	45	0.6
Badakhshan	Wheat	-	22	0.3
Badakhshan	Rice Imported	-	100	1.4
Badakhshan	Rice Local	-	68	1.0
Takhar	Wheat	-	21	0.3
Takhar	Rice Imported	-	100	1.4
Takhar	Rice Local	-	64	0.9
Helmand	Wheat	-	24	0.4
Helmand	Cotton	-	122	1.8
Helmand	Rice Imported	-	82	1.2
Kandahar	Wheat	-	26	0.4
Kandahar	Cotton	-	127	1.8
Kandahar	Rice Imported	-	81	1.2
Hirat	Wheat	-	19	0.3
Hirat	Cotton	-	155	2.2
Hirat	Saffron	-	91000	1298
Hirat	Rice Imported	-	85	1.2
Hirat	Rice Local	-	67	1.0

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

Types of crops	Mar-24	Apr-24	May-24	Jun-24	Jul-24	Aug-24	Sep-24	Oct-24	Nov-24	Dec-24	Jan-25	Feb-25	Mar-25	Increase/ Decrease (%)
Wheat (Local)	0.46	0.38	0.33	0.31	0.29	0.30	0.33	0.35	0.34	0.34	0.32	0.34	0.34	+2%
Cotton	1.88	1.94	1.84	1.77	1.79	1.77	1.81	1.85	1.82	1.74	1.57	1.66	1.71	+3%
Saffron	1108	1736	1714	1668	1655	1776	1961	1993	1927	1858	1781	1760	1298	-26%
Rice (Imported)	1.53	1.55	1.46	1.42	1.36	1.29	1.29	1.37	1.34	1.28	1.28	1.25	1.29	+3%
Rice (Local)	1.10	0.96	0.87	0.85	0.79	0.81	0.82	0.85	0.82	0.79	0.76	0.79	0.81	+2%

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 (3.2% and 2.9%) respectively compared to the previous month, while the average price of fresh opium has increased by (1%). 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: Opium prices have increased due to the eradication of poppy fields, which ultimately leads to a decrease in opium production.

Eastern Zone: Opium prices have decreased due to increased detection and seizure of opium and the inability of smugglers to transport it.

Northern Zone: Opium prices have slightly increased. The main reasons for this are law enforcement and the eradication of poppy fields, especially in Balkh province.

Western Zone: Opium prices have slightly decreased. The main reasons for this are:

- Prevention of opium smuggling across western borders.
- The arrival of the opium harvesting season.
- Increased interest in producing crystal meth using the Ephedra plant.

North-eastern Zone: No significant changes have occurred in Takhar and Kunduz provinces. However, in Badakhshan province, opium prices have decreased due to the arrival of the poppy harvesting season, law enforcement efforts, and prevention of opium buying and selling.

Second Part Heroin:

Since heroin is made from opium, a decrease in the average price of opium at the national level leads to a decrease in the price of heroin. However, the slight increase observed in the price of heroin is not real; rather, the decrease in the value of the US dollar against other currencies has made the dollar price of heroin appear to be increasing.

The third part of hashish:

The average price of hashish has decreased across most provinces compared to a month ago. This is due to increased hashish production in Pakistan's southern zone, a lack of suitable markets for selling hashish in the northern zone, increased detection and seizures, and a shift in consumer habits towards using crystal meth and narcotics pills instead of hashish.

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

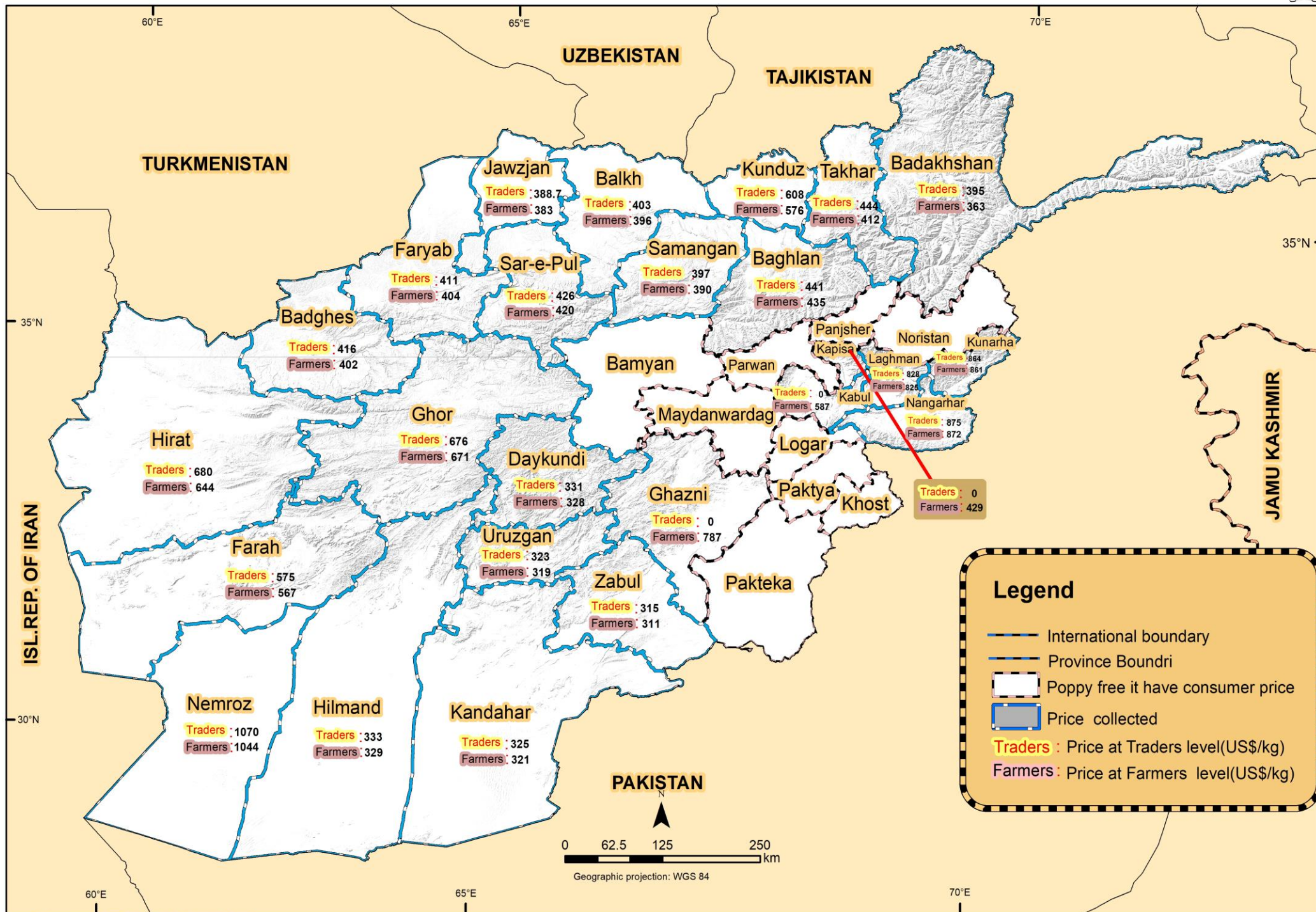
- ❖ Prices are collected in the last week of every month from around twenty farmers and equal numbers of traders by NSAD Survey coordinators generally from different farmers and traders each month. The price data collection is sourced from a few known farmers and traders as well.
- ❖ Opium prices are 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	108	108	16



Afghanistan: Average dry Opium Price (March 2025)





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