

December 2017 update



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Conflict and displacement continued to affect delivery of health services across the country in December 2017.

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In Nangarhar, the Khogiani IDPs continued to burden health services in surrounding districts.

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8 health facilities in 4 districts in the west region were closed by Taliban and 3 health facilities were closed in Kandahar.

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1414 families were displaced in the northeastern region.

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A health centre in Shawalikot was burnt and a nurse and 2 vaccinators arrested. Two of the staff were released, but the facility remains closed.

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In Helmand, a doctor and security guard of a health facility were arrested, but later released.

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Two new polio cases were confirmed in Kandahar province, bringing the total number of polio cases in 2017 to 13.

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In 2017, a total of 2640 families (12 634 individuals) of documented returnees returned to Afghanistan through Spinboldak gate from Pakistan: a decrease of 67% compared to 2016.

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