



# State of the SIV Program and its Applicants

## Number of SIVs and SIV Applicants

- **74,274 backlogged principal applicants as of July 18th**
  - An estimated 160,000 eligible principal applicants and dependents remain in waiting
  - Backlog is rapidly increasing quarter over quarter

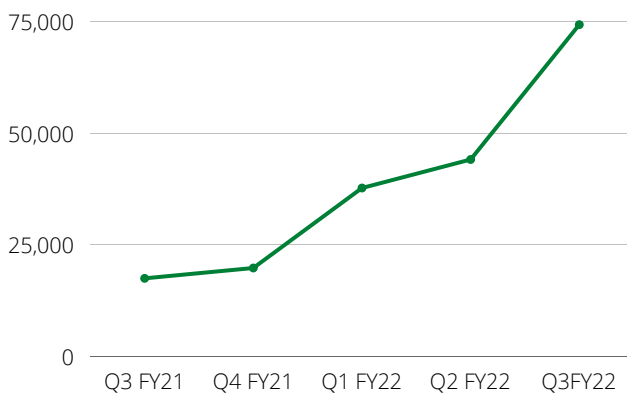
## SIV Processing

- **SIV processing time stands at 587 days**
  - This remains far below the nine month target set by the State Department
  - 16,515 total SIVs issued since program inception
  - 1,478 total Afghan SIVs issued in FY22

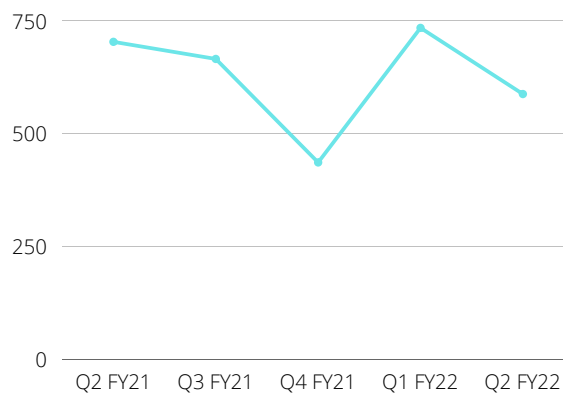
## Chief of Mission Approval

- **10,096 principal applicants in waiting have received COM-approval**
  - Pakistan: Over 2,200 COM-approved principal applicants await interviews and almost 3,000 COM-approved principal applicants are awaiting evacuation
  - DoS has averaged 2,000 COM approvals per month since the spring of last year
  - *NOLB Note: The high number of COM-approved applications in Afghanistan and Pakistan show that categorical parole could effectively reduce the backlog of applications and save many SIV applicants' lives.*

Principal SIV Application Backlog



SIV Processing Time (in days)





# NOLB Internal Polling

NOLB surveyed 16,000 Afghan SIV principal applicants awaiting approval, receiving nearly 6,500 responses. The following data represents SIV applicants located in nations outside of the US. This data is the most comprehensive assessment available of the realities SIV applicants face in Afghanistan, Pakistan, and beyond. A sterilized version of the original dataset is available upon request and at NOLB's discretion.

Note: Tables are separated by where the SIV applicant was located at the time of the survey

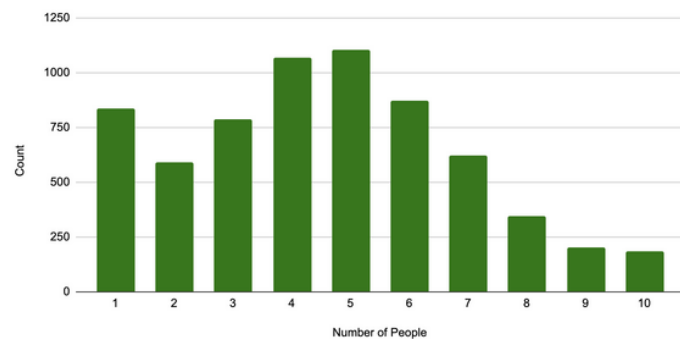
## Where in Afghanistan are you currently living?

	Kabul	Kabul Region	Another Place Other than Kabul
Afghanistan	69.9%	10.8%	19.3%

## When did you begin the SIV application process?

	< 6 Months	6-12 Months	1-2 Years	2-3 Years	3-4 Years	5-10 Years	>10 Years
All	5.3%	51.4%	17.3%	6.3%	8.2%	10.5%	1%

## How many people, including yourself, are listed on your SIV application?



**Average: 4.57**

## Beginning from the start of the SIV application process until now, how much money has the SIV application process and the attempts to leave Afghanistan cost you personally? This includes living expenses, security expenses, etc.

	<\$1,000	\$1k - \$2k	\$2k - \$5k	\$5k - \$10k	>\$10k
All	22.3%	18.1%	27.6%	20.5%	11.5%



# NOLB Internal Polling

**Are you and your family currently living securely and safe from harm?**

	Yes	No	Sometimes
Afghanistan	6.5%	63.8%	29.7%
Pakistan	24.9%	39.7%	35.4%

**When was the last time the Taliban threatened you or your family members directly?**

	<1 Week	<1 Months	<3 Months	<6 Months	Never
Afghanistan	9.8%	26.1%	23.3%	26.4%	14.5%

**Do you feel safe traveling between Kabul and other provinces?**

	Yes	No	Not Sure
Afghanistan	4.3%	62%	33.7%

**Do you feel safer inside the city of Kabul or outside the city of Kabul?**

	Inside	Outside, but in Kabul region	Outside Kabul region entirely	Not Sure
Afghanistan	25.1%	5.1%	4.5%	65.4%

**Which do you feel is the biggest threat to your safety at the moment?**

	Taliban	Economic Insecurity	Taliban and Econ Equally	Food Insecurity	Deportation
Afghanistan	77.6%	11.3%	9.7%	1.4%	-
Pakistan	58.7%	33.2%	6.6%	0.3%	1%

**Are you currently employed?**

	Yes	No
Afghanistan	13.8%	86.2%
Pakistan	5.5%	94.5%
Third Countries	13.1%	86.9%



# NOLB Internal Polling

## Are you currently earning enough money to support yourself and your family?

	Yes	No	Not Sure
Afghanistan	5.5%	86.5%	7.9%
Pakistan	3.1%	91.5%	5.4%
Third Countries	6.5%	82%	11.5%

## Are you earning a steady and reliable income?

	Yes	No	Sometimes
Afghanistan	4.2%	84.9%	11.9%
Pakistan	1.4%	92.9%	5.7%
Third Countries	4.8%	82.5%	12.7%

## Have you received Chief of Mission (COM) Approval?

	Yes	No
Afghanistan	34.2%	65.8%
Pakistan	58.4%	41.6%
Third Countries	30.1%	69.9%
All	36.1%	63.9%

## What country are you currently located in?

	Afghanistan	Pakistan	Iran	Turkey	Misc.
All	87.3%	8.7%	1.2%	0.8%	2.72%