

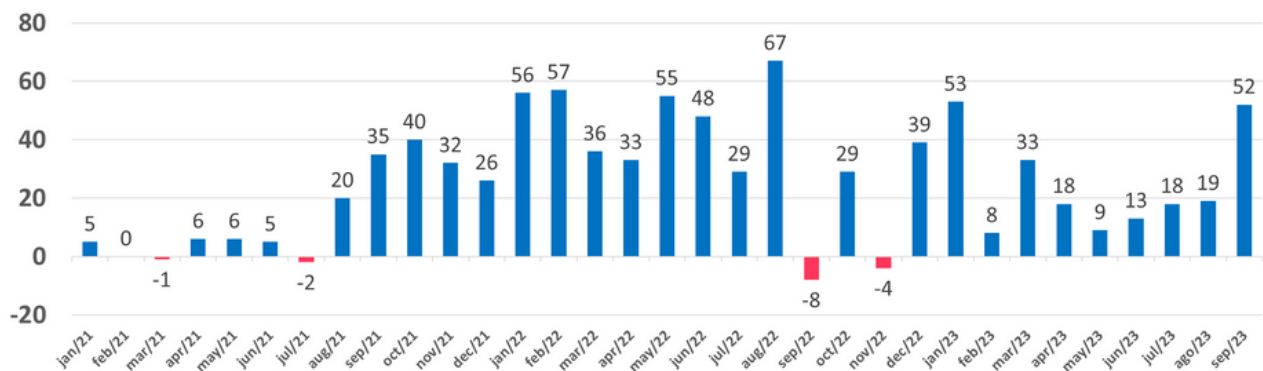
Afghan refugees access to the formal labor market in Brazil

Data source: CAGED September 2021 to August 2023¹

MAIN RESULTS

- From September 2021 to September 2023, 793 Afghan refugees entered the formal labor market in Brazil. During this period, there were 2,314 entries and 1,521 exits.
- Most of those entering the formal labor market are young adults aged 18 to 24 years (34.9%) and men (69.9%).
- The educational profile of those entering the formal labor market indicates that 86% completed high school, out of which 7.9% had completed higher education.
- The average income for Afghans in the formal labor market is BRL 1,813.2 and tends to increase with a higher educational level. Even so, this is lower than the average salary in the country's last month admissions (BRL 2,029.33)².
- The main occupational categories in the formal labor market are: (i) trade operators in stores and markets, (ii) agents, assistants and administrative assistants, and (iii) workers in building maintenance services.

Afghans in the formal labor market, by month



Brazil has welcomed Afghan people through recognition of refugee status and residence authorization for humanitarian purposes. In addition to the protection guaranteed by Law 9.474 of 22nd July 1997, since September 2021, different ordinances have been issued specifically aimed at welcoming this population.¹

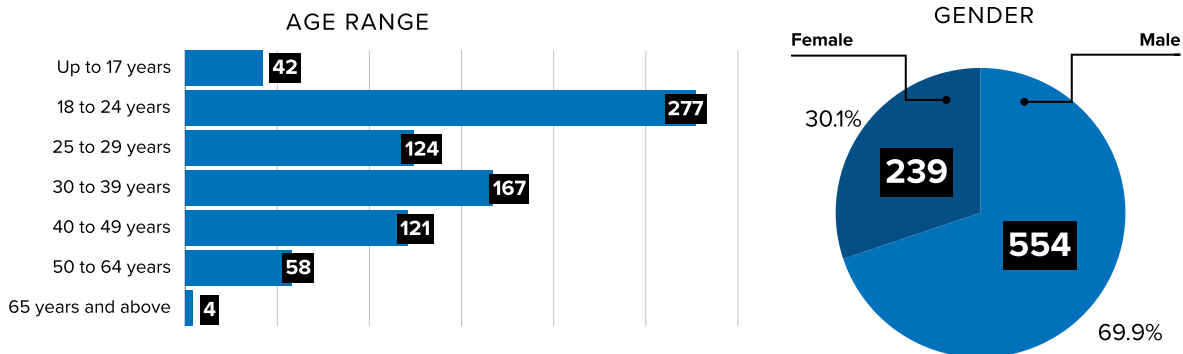
Afghans in Brazil, as well as refugees of other nationalities, have enormous potential to contribute to host communities, in addition to the development and diversification of the local economy.

Since September 2021, **data from the General Register of Employed and Unemployed Persons (CAGED) of the Ministry of Labor and Employment (MTE)**, recorded 2,314 admissions and 1,521 dismissals of Afghan people. Thus, the total balance of Afghan refugees in the Brazilian formal labor market, in this period, is 793 people.

1. Interministerial Ordinance MJSP/MRE No. 42, of 22nd September 2023, is currently in force, which establishes new rules for granting temporary visas and residence permits for the purpose of humanitarian reception for Afghan nationals, stateless persons and people affected by situation of institutional instability and serious human rights violations in Afghanistan.

2. More details can be accessed at: pdet.mte.gov.br/novo-caged

Demographic profile for Afghans in formal labor market



Educational profile and average salary of Afghans, by sex

Profile	Total	Male	Female	Total
No education	8	BRL 1,590.9	BRL 1,534.5	BRL 1,572.1
Incomplete primary education	115	BRL 1,756.2	BRL 1,497.7	BRL 1,690.2
Complete primary education	80	BRL 1,721.0	BRL 1,582.9	BRL 1,683.8
Incomplete high school	122	BRL 1,589.1	BRL 1,400.9	BRL 1,525.8
Complete high school	1,733	BRL 1,740.8	BRL 1,550.0	BRL 1,681.0
Incomplete higher education	73	BRL 1,950.1	BRL 1,848.4	BRL 1,909.7
Complete higher education	183	BRL 2,891.9	BRL 2,889.4	BRL 2,890.8
Total	2,314	BRL 1,813.2	BRL 1,702.8	BRL 1,777.5



Afghan in formal labor market by standard classification of occupations

CBO	Classification of Occupations	Male	Female	Total
5211	Trade operators in stores and markets	51	55	106
4110	Agents, assistants and administrative assistants	16	31	47
5143	Workers in building maintenance services	28	19	47
5135	Auxiliary workers in food services	25	15	40
5134	Service workers in food, beverage and hotel service establishments	20	19	39
7825	Truck drivers in general	28	0	28
8485	Slaughterers and similars	24	-1	23
4211	Tellers and ticket agents (except bank tellers)	10	12	22
-	Others	352	89	441
Total		554	239	793

Afghan in formal labor market by National Classification of Economic Activities (CNAE)

CNAE	Total
Restaurants and other food and beverage service establishments	75
Road freight transport	34
Retail trade of clothing and accessories	21
Retail trade of pharmaceutical products for human and veterinary use	17
Building construction	16
Retail trade of other new products not previously specified	16
Retail trade of general merchandise, with a predominance of food products - minimarkets, grocery stores and warehouses	15
Outpatient care activities performed by doctors and dentists	15
cattle breeding	14
Others	570
Total	793