



Baghlan Province

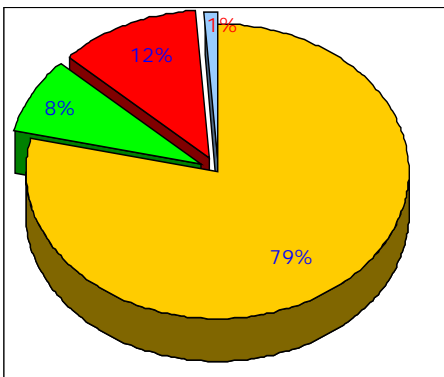
About Baghlan

Baghlan is located in northern Afghanistan. The Baghlan River plays a big role in this province, with 78% of cultivated land concentrated in the north and east due to the Baghlan River. Baghlan has a total of 1,645 villages with an estimated population of 1,122,350 people (2008 census).



Baghlan Districts: Agricultural Characteristics

Baghlan has 15 districts (Anderab, Baghlan Jaded, Jilgah, Nahreen, Burka, Khost, Tala wa Barfak, Dahna Ghor, PuliKhumry, Doshee, Khinjan, Deh Salah, Puli Hesar, Faring, Guzargahi Noor)



The total crop production in 2008 was estimated at 428,636 metric tons (MT), consisting of grains (79% - mostly wheat), vegetables (12%), fruits (8%) and fodder and industrial crops (1%). The total market value (farm gate) of 2008 for agricultural production was estimated at \$349 million. Farmers raise livestock (predominantly sheep, including the Karakul breed) in all districts because of the proximity to Mazar-e-Sharif, the provincial capital

	Grain 337,330 tons (79%)
	Vegetable 51,676 tons (12 %)
	Fruit 35,401 tons (8%)
	Fodder & Industrial crops 4,229 tons (1%)

Main Agricultural Crops

Grain	Wheat
	Rice
Fruit	Pistachio
	Apricot, Apple
	Melon, Mulberries
Vegetable	Onion, Potato

Market Structure

Market type	Significance
Subsistence	Important
Local markets	Important
Kabul, Mazar-e-Sharif	Important
Export	Somewhat

Possible opportunities for Agriculture improvement

Baghlan is famous for producing rice, sugar beets and for raising sheep, cattle and goats. Potential areas for development include animal husbandry, agricultural productivity, value adding (product processing), postharvest technology and irrigation system improvement along the Baghlan River.

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