

KEY FINDINGS

In an effort to gain insight into the needs and vulnerabilities of Bangladeshi migrant returnees as a result of the COVID-19 outbreak, IOM, financed by the European Union under the regional program the Regional Evidence for Migration Analysis and Policy (REMAP), completed data collection among 2,765 respondents, 1,486 of whom were international returnees (migrants who had returned to Bangladesh from abroad). The following key findings illuminate some of the main insights gained as a result of this study, which can be found [here](#).

INCOME AND EMPLOYMENT

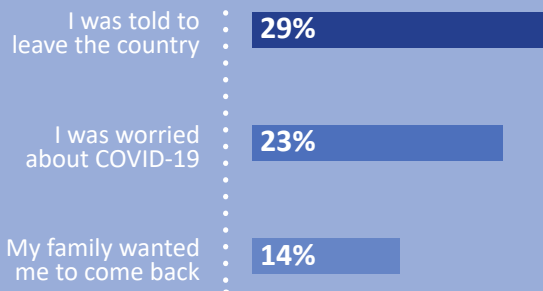
Rate of unemployment among respondents



Current income situations



RETURN REASONS



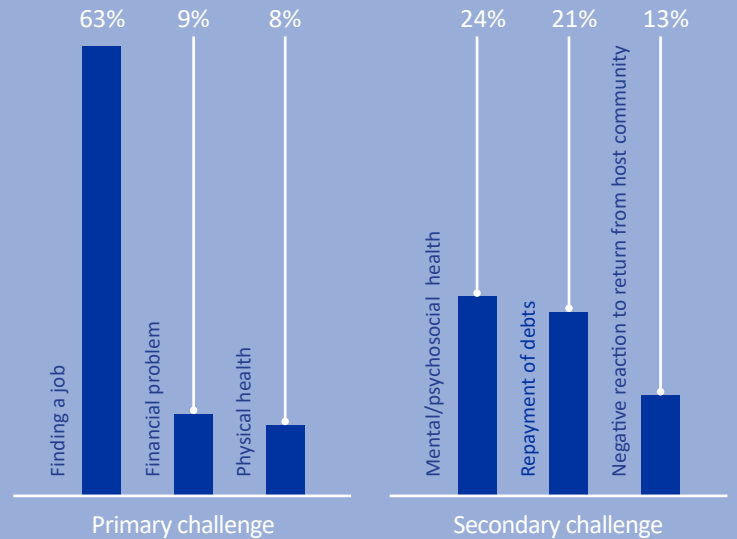
83% Of respondents paid for the return journey themselves.

DEBT

55%

Of respondents/respondent households owed debt

CHALLENGES



51% of respondents experienced challenges upon return to their community.

ASPIRATIONS

32%

Of respondents were planning to be self-employed or to start or own a business

97%

Of respondents wanted to re-migrate to the same country from which they returned