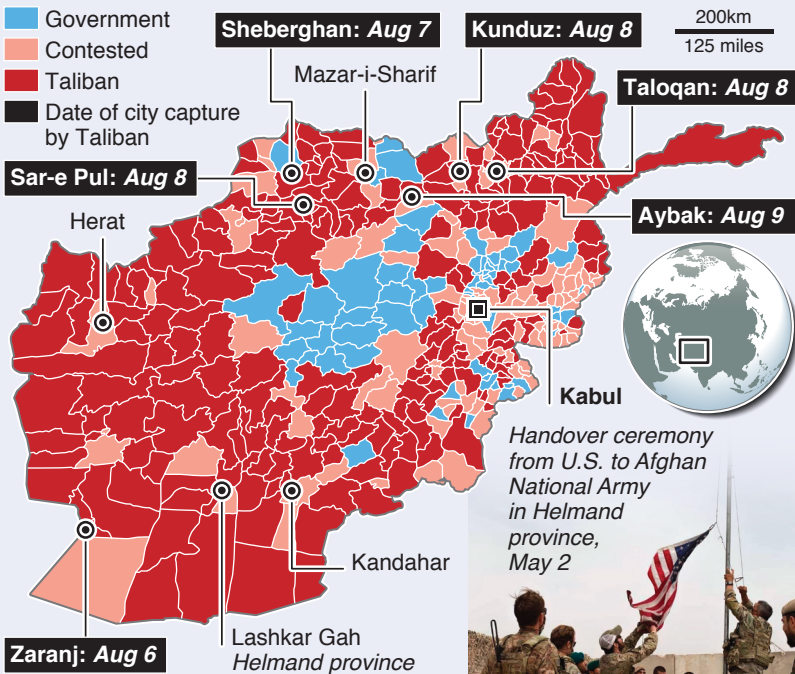


Taliban capture Afghan regional capitals

The Taliban have ramped up their push across much of Afghanistan, capturing a string of provincial capitals in a relentless offensive as U.S. and NATO forces finalise their pullout from the war-torn country

CONTROL OF DISTRICTS IN AFGHANISTAN (as of Aug 8, 2021)



Handover ceremony from U.S. to Afghan National Army in Helmand province, May 2



Change in Taliban control: Since Apr 13 – announcement of U.S. withdrawal

Aug 8

229 districts

Apr 13

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Increase in control:
Almost 200 percent