

UKRAINE SITUATION FLASH UPDATE #16

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Ukrainian refugee Veronika, 6, is pictured outside her family's accommodation in the converted offices of a pallet-making business in Moldova. 25 April 2022 © UNHCR/Caroline Bach

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KEY FIGURES

4,816,923**Individual refugees from Ukraine recorded across Europe****3,204,047****Refugees from Ukraine registered for Temporary Protection or similar national protection schemes in Europe****7,270,939****Border crossings from Ukraine****2,313,717****Border crossings to Ukraine**

More details: Operational Data Portal
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BACKGROUND

Since the onset of the Russian invasion, one-third of Ukrainians have been forced from their homes. This is the largest human displacement crisis in the world today. Over 7.1 million people remain displaced by the war within Ukraine and 15.7 million people are estimated to urgently require humanitarian assistance and protection. As of today, UNHCR estimates there are at least 4.8 million refugees present across Europe, and over 3.2 million refugees from Ukraine have registered for temporary protection or similar national protection schemes in Europe. More than 7.2 million refugee movements have been recorded out of Ukraine, while at the same time, authorities have reported more than 2.3 million movements back into the country since 28 February.

Inside Ukraine, many people who are trapped are unable to meet their basic needs including for food, water and medicines. The delivery of life-saving aid remains challenging, with a lack of safe humanitarian access in areas where intense hostilities are ongoing. UNHCR and partners continue striving to reach hard-hit areas with life-saving assistance as part of inter-agency humanitarian convoys.

Key figures - UKRAINE - a total of 1.3 million people reached with assistance to date

As of 9 June :

- **502,386** people reached with essential food and non-food items, winter clothes and shelter materials
- **516,251** people enrolled for multipurpose cash assistance. **166,630** have received their first payment
- **263,150** people received protection assistance, advice and referrals at border crossing points, transit and reception centres and through hotlines
- **84,550** people received assistance through humanitarian convoys delivered to hard-hit areas
- **63,688** sleeping spaces created / improved in **182** reception centres and collective centres

UKRAINE SITUATION UPDATE

- As of 6 June, the Office of the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR) recorded 9,394 civilian casualties in the country: 4,253 killed – including 272 children – and 5,141 injured. OHCHR notes that the actual figures are likely considerably higher.
- Fighting continues to escalate in eastern Ukraine, particularly in Luhansk and Donetsk oblasts, but with daily reports of attacks elsewhere in the country. Intense shelling has been ongoing for several days in non-government-controlled areas of Donetsk Oblast, including in Donetsk, Gorlovka, Makeyevka and Yasynuvata districts that had previously experienced relative calm.

TARGETS – UNHCR RESPONSE AIMS TO REACH 4.3 MILLION PEOPLE



1.2 million people will receive protection assistance and information



1.5 million people will be supported with essential food and non-food items



1.08 million people will receive multipurpose cash assistance



140,000 people to receive shelter support, including through refurbishment of **40** reception and collective centres*

** Targets updated to cover a 6-month period and subject to fulfilment of funding requirements*

UNHCR RESPONSE IN UKRAINE

Protection

- **263,150** people received protection assistance, advice and referrals at border crossing points, transit and reception centres and through hotlines.
- This includes **protection counselling and services**, including **psychosocial support and legal aid**. **109,748** people have received protection information, support or counselling; **89,708** people received information and counselling through hotlines; **27,046** people received legal counselling or assistance; **24,932** people received psychosocial support or psychological first aid; **6,887** received social support. This is in addition to **3,263** protection monitoring missions.
- From 30 May to 3 June, the **UNHCR Representative in Ukraine visited Poltava, Dnipro, Zaporizhzhia, Vinnytsia as well as Kalynivka and Koziatyn in Vinnytska oblast** where she met with local authorities, NGOs and internally displaced persons (IDPs) to listen to their needs and concerns and discuss continued cooperation to address the protection and housing needs of people impacted by the war.
- UNHCR continues to work with partners to monitor protection needs and propose interventions to address them. From 2 to 5 June, UNHCR partner NEEKA conducted **monitoring visits to four reception centres in Lviv oblast**. On 3 June, UNHCR conducted a **monitoring visit to a state childcare institution in Lviv**, which currently serves as a children-only reception centre. Relief items, such as hygiene items and clothing, as well as basic appliances, were identified as the key needs across all centres, which UNHCR is following up on. Rokada regularly provides psychosocial support in the children-only reception centre – both to IDP children and to their supervisors.
- In Kharkiv oblast, UNHCR partner Proliska and implementing partner 'Platforma Ednannia' conducted nine **focus group discussions with recently returned persons in conflict-affected settlements** and those where fighting has eased. Common concerns included restoration of water and electricity supplies, rehabilitation of infrastructure and private sector structures, facilitation of **access to social and pension benefits** and employment. Similar concerns were identified during three focus group discussions in Sumy oblast.

Multipurpose Cash Assistance

- Since the beginning of cash enrolment in Ukraine on 17 March, **516,251 people have been enrolled by UNHCR** to receive cash assistance.
- **UNHCR has scaled up the cash assistance programme in eastern and central Ukraine with higher numbers of internally displaced persons (IDPs) and new arrivals**. Some 70 enrolment sites are operational across 12 oblasts, including Poltava, Dnipropetrovsk and Zaporizhzhia oblasts in the east.
- An **interactive Cash Working Group dashboard** showing overall progress can be accessed [here](#). A cumulative 1.55m people have received cash assistance through all 24 Cash Working Group partners.

Core Relief Items

- To date, **502,386 people have benefitted from core relief items and food assistance across eastern, central and western Ukraine**. This includes **107,105** people who received food assistance, 42,590 who were in receipt of hygiene and shelter kits and **352,691** people received core relief items, such as clothes.
- **UNHCR, as part of inter-agency humanitarian convoys, has reached 84,450 people in the hardest hit areas with life-saving assistance since the beginning of the war**. Access to the hardest hit areas remains extremely challenging with continuing security risks, both for affected civilians as well as humanitarian actors.
- Distribution of relief items to IDPs is ongoing in tandem with needs assessments in temporary and collective centres where IDPs are residing. From 27 May to 5 June, UNHCR partners NEHEMIA and NEEKA distributed blankets, bed linens, mattresses, towels, clothing, hygiene kits and other items to 1,257 IDPs in Zakarpattia oblast.
- So far, UNHCR has supported **182 reception centres and collective centres** run by the Government to increase their capacity to host IDPs. A total of **63,688 additional sleeping spaces** at these centres have so far been created.

Key figures - REGIONAL UNHCR KEY FIGURES

- **246,963 people enrolled for cash assistance** in Moldova, Poland, Romania and Slovakia as of 6 June
- **36 Blue Dots established** with UNICEF in Bulgaria, Hungary, Italy, Moldova, Poland, Romania and Slovakia
- **Over 2.3 million** page visits to UNHCR Help websites in Hungary, Moldova, Poland, Romania and Slovakia

HUNGARY



Key figures - HUNGARY

- **24,091 Refugees** registered for temporary protection
- **Over 11,200 people provided with protection support** by UNHCR and partners, including legal information provision, counselling and psychosocial support (since 21 March)
- **1 Blue Dot** operational in Záhony
- **1,400** people trained on core humanitarian principles, gender-based violence (GBV), safe disclosure and referrals, protection from sexual exploitation and abuse (PSEA)
- **Over 62,000 visits** to the UNHCR Hungary Help page

Protection

- UNHCR and partners Cordelia, Hungarian Helsinki Committee (HHC), Menedék and Next Step have provided **information, counselling, psychosocial support and protection referrals to 11,200 refugees** at border crossing points, help/info points and temporary shelters across the country.
- This includes **over 1,473** persons provided with **legal counselling and information on temporary protection** by UNHCR at Záhony train station from 28 April to 6 June. The main information requested is regarding available services (accommodation, meals, transportation, health care), as well as advice on temporary protection and other legal statuses, legal support for specific cases and onward travel to countries in Europe.
- Since 25 February, some **1,400 persons have been reached through capacity development trainings and initiatives by UNHCR and partners focusing on protection**, including volunteers, partner staff, humanitarian workers, caregivers and authorities. Dedicated trainings by UNHCR and partners are also being undertaken, with a focus on temporary protection, child protection, GBV and PSEA.

- On 2 - 3 June UNHCR held a training for social workers of shelters operated by the Budapest Municipality on topics including GBV, PSEA and child protection, among others.
- UNHCR continues to engage various stakeholders, including lawyers' and law students' organizations to explore possible avenues for cooperation, including enhancing paralegal support and counselling services for refugees arriving to Hungary. On 31 May, UNHCR held an introductory meeting with 'Hungarian Lawyers for Ukraine', an initiative of the Hungarian / Budapest Bar Associations.
- **The UNHCR Hungary Help page has received over 62,000 visits since the onset of the crisis.** UNHCR continues to develop **information materials to share at key locations and through existing partners and actors.** The Help page is updated with the latest services and information on temporary protection, with links to the site shared via posters, leaflets and Facebook groups active throughout Hungary. A page with dedicated information on GBV has been published, while a second page dedicated to child protection will be published shortly.
- UNHCR has established a WhatsApp chatbot in Ukrainian, Russian, Hungarian and English that is currently being tested with refugees before its launch. The chatbot will aim to answer the most common questions shared by refugees and signpost them to relevant services.
- UNHCR continues to monitor conditions across reception centres where refugees are arriving. **To date, more than 78 monitoring visits and assessments have been carried out** in order to inform planning for the provision of support.

Core Relief Items

- With the cooperation of the Foundation of the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church, Unity and Lexis refugee-led organization—as well as UNHCR's implementing partner Next Step—UNHCR reached 1,935 people (681 families) with hygiene kits between 30 May and 6 June across nine locations in Budapest and six in rural areas.
- **Pre-positioned stock in warehouses in Hungary** currently includes:
 - **12,432** blankets
 - **19,008** hygiene Kits



Key figures - REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA

- **60,074** people have received multipurpose cash assistance
- **Some 1,500** refugees departed to Austria, France, Germany, Latvia, Lithuania, Norway, Spain and Switzerland as part of the EU Solidarity Platform
- **7 Blue Dots** are now operational. Overall, **11,000 people** have been supported at the Blue Dots as of 6 June
- **35,223 refugees** received protection information or counselling through UNHCR and partners
- **14,751** people received protection support via the UNHCR-managed 'Green Line' helpline
- **Over 160,000 visits** to the UNHCR Moldova Help page

Protection

- **There are currently seven Blue Dots operational in Moldova. Over 11,000 people** received support provided by UNHCR, UNICEF and partners at Blue Dot centres. Operational Blue Dots include: one in Otaci in the north, one in Palanca in the south, one in Tirasapol, two at the MoldExpo Refugee Accommodation Centre in Chisinau, and two at the border with Romania, at Leuseni and Sculeni.
- **To date, 940 people have been trained on protection issues.** This includes over **500 frontline partners, government and NGO staff** who have been trained on GBV safe disclosure and referral mechanisms in order to support the operationalization of referral pathways. Another **300 people** have been trained on the identification and referral of children at risk. **In addition, 140 people** have been trained on general protection issues such as the identification of persons with disabilities and protection monitoring and profiling.
- Comprehensive GBV referral pathways have been developed, shared and continue to be updated based on a mapping of services across all regions of Moldova. To date 436 frontline partner, government and NGO staff have been trained in *disclosure and referral* procedures in order to operationalize referral pathways and increase access to support.
- **UNHCR manages the Green Line – a free helpline (0800 800 11)** to strengthen the two-way communication channel to address refugees' and host community's questions, needs and concerns. Since mid-April, some 14,751 calls were received.
- **UNHCR partners Law Centre for Advocates (LCA), ACTED and INTERSOS are stationed at border crossing points and refugee accommodation centres to provide transportation, protection monitoring,**

vulnerability screening and counselling. The strengthening of the referral mechanism is currently underway. LCA and INTERSOS are also rolling out protection monitoring activities.

- Many people arriving are suffering from trauma and require mental health and psychosocial support. From 9 March to 6 June, **UNHCR partner INTERSOS provided psychosocial support and psychological first aid to some 1,282 refugees.**
- Member States of the European Union – Austria, Bulgaria, France, Germany, Greece, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, the Netherlands, Portugal and Spain – as well as Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway and Switzerland have made pledges to transfer **19,870 refugees from Moldova** as part of the EU Solidarity Platform. **So far, some 1,700 persons have been transferred to other countries in Europe from Moldova. Among the transfers coordinated in the context of the Solidarity Platform, some 1,500 vulnerable refugees have transferred to Austria, France, Germany, Latvia, the Netherlands, Norway, Spain and Switzerland by flight. UNHCR provided support to the vulnerability screening process** and collaborated with IOM on assistance for departure procedures, including through counselling refugees. In addition, Lithuania transferred 200 persons from Moldova by bus, on a bilateral basis
- UNHCR has started the socio-economic profiling of refugees staying in the country to serve as a basis for livelihoods programming. In parallel, UNHCR is working closely with the Government on the legal status of refugees beyond the emergency phase, which will impact the employment prospects of refugees as well.

Multipurpose Cash Assistance

- **60,075 refugees have been enrolled and issued bank cards** for multipurpose cash assistance in Moldova since 25 March. Of these, 35,675 have already received a second payment and 946 have received a third payment. **Eight enrolment centres are operational, with mobile teams covering other locations or reaching those with specific needs.**

Core Relief Items

- **Pre-positioned stock in warehouses in Moldova** currently includes:
 - **106,674** blankets
 - **29,400** bed sets
 - **19,992** solar lamps
 - **17,600** jerry cans
 - **15,000** mattresses
 - **9,208** kitchen sets
 - **7,110** quilts
 - **4,852** sleeping bags
 - **4,655** tents
 - **3,144** winterization kits
 - **3,050** tarpaulins
- **UNHCR has also provided significant material assistance to the Government of Moldova** to increase capacities in the form of vehicles, laptops, generators and other office equipment.



Key figures - POLAND

- **1,152,364 Refugees** registered for temporary protection
- **175,300 refugees enrolled for multipurpose cash assistance** as of 6 June from a target of 360,000 people
- **12 Blue Dots** operating with **15,000 people** supported as of 06 June
- **Over 2 million visits to the UNHCR Poland Help Page**
- **More than 684 people trained on protection issues**, including anti-trafficking and the prevention of sexual exploitation and abuse (PSEA)

Protection

- There are now a total of **12 Blue Dots operating in Poland, including three in Warsaw and two in Krakow.**
- **Some 15,000 people have been counselled through the Blue Dots as of 6 June, with protection teams making 2,336 interventions.** The largest number of queries and referrals were related to transport, medical services, protection and social services, child protection services and MHPSS.
- UNHCR has been present at border crossing points, reception centres and transit points since the onset of the crisis. **Field teams continue to carry out field monitoring visits** to identify issues and provide support as needed.
- **UNHCR continued to ensure a daily presence** at the Medyka pedestrian border crossing point and regular monitoring in the Budomierz, Korczowa, Kroscienko and Przemysl border areas.
- **More than 684 people have so far been trained across the country on protection issues**, including counter-trafficking and PSEA. **Those trained include volunteers, NGO staff, local authorities and army officers in Krakow, Maedyka, Przemysl, Rzeszow and Warsaw.** Training plans for government officials at sub-offices are currently being rolled out to address GBV, MHPSS, child protection and PSEA. Furthermore, an anti-trafficking session was also led by the Regional Police Trafficking Prevention and Crime response units in Rzeszow for 35 civil servants and 5 NGO staff.

- The launch of the Poland Chapter of the Refugee Response Plan (RRP) took place on 31 May in Warsaw. Over 200 participants, including the Polish authorities, UN agencies, international and national NGOs, civil society and the private sector attended. Following a panel discussion, participants attended thematic break-out sessions to discuss the main needs and opportunities in the response, and to identify priorities and contingency scenarios for the months ahead.
- The [UNHCR Poland Help page](#) continues to be the **most visited UNHCR country Help site globally**. It has surpassed **2 million visits and has received over 4.5 million views**. The Help site has been updated with additional health and MHPSS-related content and contacts and key GBV referral numbers and services. A [child-friendly page](#) is also available.
- To strengthen accountability to affected populations (AAP), UNHCR is rolling out a new **feedback and response mechanism using a KoBoToolbox form** that can be accessed through a QR code. Staff will help to collect feedback using the form for those without a smartphone. Posters with information on the form in multiple languages are being placed in cash enrolment centres.

Multipurpose Cash Assistance

- **As of 6 June, 175,300 persons (84,160 families)** have been enrolled for cash assistance, representing nearly **49 per cent** of the overall target of 360,000 people, through nine cash enrolment centres.
- **Coordination with the Blue Dot teams continues** to ensure protection presence at cash enrolment sites and integrated referral processes for identified persons with specific needs.

Core Relief Items

- **Pre-positioned stock in warehouses in Poland** currently includes:
 - **163,804** bed sets
 - **67,554** blankets
 - **81,554** hygiene kits
 - **14,138** mattresses
 - **12,960** diapers
 - **1,302** quilts
- **172 trucks have travelled from the logistics hub in Rzeszów, Poland, to Ukraine to dispatch** hundreds of thousands of core relief items to warehouses in Ukraine for distribution to IDPs in need.



Key figures - ROMANIA

- **34,758 Refugees** registered for temporary protection
- **Some 6,200 refugees enrolled for cash assistance** as of 6 June
- **Over 19,760 refugees** provided with information and counselling in person or over the phone
- **9 Blue Dots, including 5 Light Blue Dots,** operating in Romania
- **11,032 people** supported to travel to Romania from Moldova through fast-track transfers
- **Over 45,700** visits to the UNHCR Romania Help page

Protection

- UNHCR continues to provide protection information and counselling in person as well as through hotlines. **As of 6 June, over 19,760 people have received protection support**, advice, referrals and information in person or remotely through helplines. This includes **9,913 people who were supported in person** and **9,848 people who received support through helplines**.
- On 6 June, UNHCR conducted a **comprehensive protection training session in Iasi** covering refugee protection, child protection, GBV, PSEA and (AAP for 20 staff from the General Directorate of Social Assistance and Child Protection (DGASPC), and 29 NGO staff and volunteers. IOM conducted a session on anti-trafficking during the training.
- **The UNHCR Romania [Help page](#) has been visited over 45,700 times.** Furthermore, UNHCR Romania has helped create and is consistently updating the national information platform available at www.dopomoha.ro. The platform is run in collaboration with the Romanian authorities, IOM and national NGOs and provides a space for reliable information on legal status, rights and access to services. **UNHCR and partner the Romanian National Council for Refugees (CNRR) are also distributing information leaflets at border crossing points.**
- **UNHCR and CNRR continue to be present and working at the eight border crossing points to provide information and counselling to new arrivals.** Information requested largely focuses on legal status, notably temporary protection, cash assistance, transportation to other EU countries, long-term accommodation and food, employment, education and access to medical services.

- There are currently nine Blue Dots operating in Romania. This includes four Blue Dots at Brasov, Husi, Sighet and Siret, and multiple Light Blue Dot locations in Bucharest.
- **IOM, in coordination with UNHCR, national authorities and the ProTect platform, have established an Anti-Trafficking Task Force** in order to strengthen efforts to protect vulnerable refugees from the threat of trafficking and exploitation.
- UNHCR and IOM continue to jointly facilitate **fast-track transfers from Palanca border crossing** point with Ukraine in Moldova, to Huși, Romania. As of 6 June, **11,032 people** had been transported to Romania through this mechanism.

Multipurpose Cash Assistance

- Over **6,200 persons have been enrolled to receive multipurpose cash assistance as of 6 June, of whom over 90 per cent are women and children.** Cash has been transferred to over 5,200 refugees. The programme continues to be scaled up intending to reach **80,000 people overall.** In addition to existing locations in Bucharest and Brasov, UNHCR plans to open additional enrolment sites in Galati, Iasi and Suceava.

Core Relief Items

- **Pre-positioned stock in warehouses in Romania** currently includes:
 - **63,322** bed sets
 - **47,148** quilts
 - **32,840** blankets
 - **24,803** mattresses
 - **13,004** solar lamps
 - **51,876** hygiene kits
 - **3,710** tarpaulins
 - **2,281** kitchen sets
 - **3,072** tents



Key figures - SLOVAKIA

- **77,141 Refugees** registered for temporary protection
- **5,389 refugees enrolled for cash assistance** as of 6 June from an enrolment target of **57,500 people, of which UNHCR will support 34,500 people**
- **1 Blue Dot** operating in Slovakia
- **Over 330 people trained**, including frontline humanitarian workers, cash enumerators, and police trained **on protection, including GBV, safe disclosures, PSEA and AAP**
- **Over 67,216 visits** to the UNHCR Slovakia Help page

Protection

- UNHCR continues rolling out a Training of Trainers (ToTs) series for partner managers and key staff to improve the protection response at border crossing points and other locations. **Some 36 people have benefitted from these ToTs so far**, while efforts are ongoing to scale up trainings across the country.
- There are currently 83 unaccompanied minors placed within Child and Family accommodation centres across Slovakia. The numbers have fluctuated due to the general movement of refugees within the EU, reunification with families and voluntary deregistration of temporary protection holders. The Child Protection Sub-Working Group, co-chaired by UNHCR, is supporting the Ministry of Labor, Social Affairs and Family (MoLSAF) in, among other issues, monitoring care arrangements, strengthening legal guardianship procedures and upholding the best interest of children through promoting family reunification.
- **UNHCR continues protection monitoring at border crossing points and at registration centres**, including Ubl'a, Vyšné Nemecké and Velke Slemence border crossing points, at Košice railway station and at registration centres in Humenne and Michalovce. Key locations are visited three times per week to monitor access and reception conditions. To date, some 32 monitoring visits and assessments have been conducted. **UNHCR partners are present at all these key locations to provide assistance and information as well as for the identification of vulnerabilities and referral to relevant services.**
- **There is currently one Blue Dot operating at the registration centre at Bottova in Bratislava**, with others planned in Košice, Michalovce, Nitra and Žilina. UNHCR partners Slovak Humanitarian Council and Human Rights League are operating at the Blue Dot.

- **UNHCR identified ten national helplines relating to GBV/Child protection and related services** and included them as part of referral pathways which are currently being expanded to included service providers across the country. Service providers include those providing services related to **MHPSS, safety, legal counselling, and anti-trafficking.**
- Lack of access to reliable information is a continuing challenge. **The UNHCR Slovakia [Help page](#) has received over 67,200 visits.**
- **UNHCR has partnered with three organizations in Slovakia**, with an additional four partnerships under development, to **scale up protection and other activities across the country.**

Multipurpose Cash Assistance

- **As of 6 June, 5,389 people have been enrolled for cash assistance since enrolment began on 2 May. Enrolment is ongoing at four centres** (Bratislava, Michalovce, Nitra and Žilina). Of the enrolment target of 57,500, UNHCR will support payments for 34,500 people and UNICEF will support payments for the other 23,000 people. Cash enrolment is helping to improve data collection for persons with specific needs; **over 15 per cent of those enrolled to date have identifiable special needs.**
- The first phase of a protection monitoring and profiling exercise, which aims to get more information directly from refugees on their specific needs, started on 30 May.



Blue Dots

UNHCR and UNICEF are jointly establishing 'Blue Dots' in multiple countries receiving refugees fleeing Ukraine. To date, a total of 36 are already operational including in:

Bulgaria	4
Hungary	1
Italy	2
Moldova	7
Poland	12
Romania	9
Slovakia	1

UNHCR has reinforced staffing for the Blue Dot roll-out with one coordinator to ensure consistency in approach, provide support, and enhance assessment and quality assurance.

UNHCR is rolling out an accessibility checklist to make sure Blue Dot locations are accessible to everyone, including persons with disabilities. UNHCR is developing a joint Monitoring Framework and Feedback and Complaints Mechanism for all Blue Dots, together with UNICEF and other partners.

Poland. UNHCR Blue Dot Safe Space, Protection and Support Hub at Warsaw 18 May, 2022 © UNHCR/Maciej Moskwa

COORDINATION

Ukraine

UNHCR leads the Protection and Shelter Clusters as well as the Camp Coordination and Camp Management (CCCM) Cluster which was activated as of 1 March in Ukraine. In addition, as co-lead of the Logistics Working Group in Ukraine, UNHCR is facilitating the movement of humanitarian convoys in coordination with OCHA. The UNHCR-led Protection Cluster has established a national coordination office in Lviv and plans to establish sub-national coordinators in Uzhhorod, Lviv, Vinnytsia and Dnipro. Both the Child Protection and GBV Sub-Clusters are similarly expanding their presence.

Regional Refugee Response

UNHCR has facilitated the establishment of coordination structures in line with the Refugee Coordination Model, in order to support the overall coordination of relevant governments. A Regional Refugee Response Plan (RRP) was developed in early March. A revised version of the RRP extending through December 2022 has since been published, bringing together the joint efforts of 142 partners. Inter-agency Refugee Coordination Forums

(RCFs), led by UNHCR, and specific sectoral groups, have been established at country level in Belarus, Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Hungary, the Republic of Moldova, Poland, Romania and Slovakia to support the efforts of the concerned governments. The structures are meant to be agile and will be adjusted as the situation evolves.

UNHCR leads the Refugee Coordination Forum (RCF) at country-level in **Hungary** to ensure a harmonized response within existing government structures and among inter-agency partners, NGOs, volunteers and other stakeholders, with associated working groups (Protection- including Child Protection and Education, and Basic Needs – including Shelter, Food, and Non-Food Items) and two cross-cutting task forces (the Prevention of Sexual Exploitation and Abuse and Mental Health and Psychosocial Support) to effectively coordinate inter-agency partner's response.

In **Moldova**, an Inter-Agency Coordination Group has been established with more than 70 participating members. UNHCR leads the RCF and co-chairs the Cash, Education, Information Management (IM), Protection, Accommodation & Transportation, and Logistics & Supply Working Groups; GBV and Child Protection Sub-Working Groups; the Gender Task Force; and the PSEA Network. The Government of

Moldova has established a Single Emergency Management Centre under the Prime Minister's Office, where UNHCR represents the Inter-Agency Coordination Group, ensuring coordination between the two.

In **Poland**, UNHCR leads the overarching refugee coordination structure in Poland, in support of the Government-led response. The thematic sector working groups include Protection (with sub-sector working groups on Child Protection, Gender-based Violence, Counter-trafficking, Third-country nationals, and Mental Health and Psychosocial Support); Health; Education; Shelter; Basic Needs, including Food Security, Water and Sanitation and Core Relief Items; and Logistics. In addition, there are transversal working groups on Cash, Information Management, Accountability to Affected Populations and Prevention of Sexual Exploitation and Abuse.

In **Romania**, UNHCR has set up the Refugee Coordination Model structure made up of eight sector Working Groups, one Anti-Trafficking Task Force and a PSEA network, which are co-led by UNHCR and other UN agencies, government counterparts and NGOs. UNHCR leads the Protection Working Group and PSEA network, and co-leads the Child Protection Sub-Working Group, Information Management Working Group, Cash Working Group and Basic Needs Working Group. Leads and co-leads attend the governmental sectoral Working Group meetings. As such, governmental and humanitarian coordination structures are operating to mutually reinforce each other, under governmental leadership. A total of 23 international and national partners are part of the Refugee Response Plan for Romania.

In **Slovakia**, a response-wide Refugee Consultation Forum (RCF) is in place that meets alternatively in Bratislava and in eastern Slovakia and is co-chaired by the Government and UNHCR. Within the RCF, seven working groups and sub-working groups are operating (Anti-Trafficking, Cash, Child Protection, Health, Information Management, MHPSS, Protection and Inclusion) as well as a UNHCR-led PSEA Task Force while Accountability to Affected Persons (AAP) is mainstreamed across all groups and made an RCF standing agenda item. UNHCR also convenes a regular humanitarian and development Donor Group. In early June, the Prime Minister announced the reactivation of a Steering Committee dedicated to integration. This body, created in 2014, to 'find solutions for foreigners and looking at ways to integrate them', is now being reactivated and tasked with the inclusion and integration of Ukrainian refugees. RCF partners are furthermore supporting the ongoing engagement of the Slovak Republic with the Global Compact on Refugees (GCR) as a means of systematizing and sharing good practices with other countries facing similar challenges, and in view of cultivating pledges related to its national response for the Global Refugee Forum in 2023.

FINANCIAL NEEDS

Links

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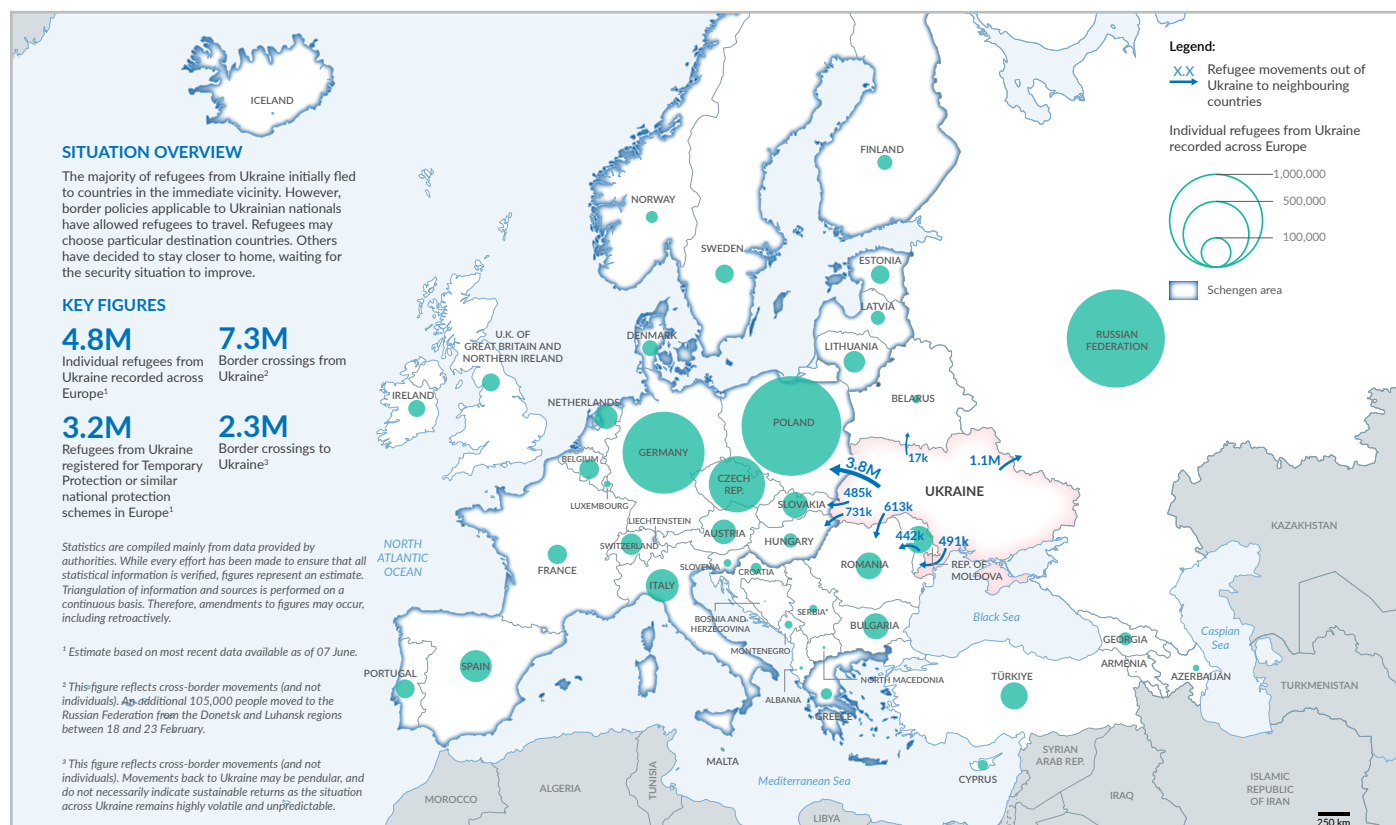
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