



UKRAINE SITUATION FLASH UPDATE #71

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Lublin, Poland – To commemorate World Refugee Day on 20 June, cities across the world took part in a show of solidarity with 120 million displaced people globally who have been forced to flee, including some 6.5 million refugees from Ukraine. © UNHCR



PEOPLE FORCED TO FLEE

6,021,400*

refugees from Ukraine recorded in Europe (as of 15 July 2024)

558,300

refugees from Ukraine recorded beyond Europe (as of 1 April 2024)

6,579,700

refugees from Ukraine recorded globally (as of 15 July)

3,548,000**

estimated number of internally displaced people (IDPs) in Ukraine (as of April 2024)

More details: [UNHCR Operational Data Portal Ukraine Refugee Situation](#)



Ukraine is home: An online portal that aims to provide timely and impartial information to millions of people displaced by the full-scale war in Ukraine. To learn more about this initiative, [click here](#).

RECENT HIGHLIGHTS:

- **Emergency response:** On 8 July, large coordinated aerial attacks were launched with more than 40 missiles hitting residential and civilian infrastructure across Ukraine, including in the cities of Kyiv, Kryvyi Rih, Dnipro and Pokrovsk. UNHCR and partners were on site to provide emergency shelter support, psychosocial support, legal counselling and essential non-food items. UN High Commissioner for Refugees Filippo Grandi [visited](#) the sites of the attacks in Kyiv, including Okhmatdyt paediatric hospital, during his mission to Ukraine in July.
- **Information on assistance and services for people displaced by war in Ukraine:** UNHCR [launched](#) its 'Ukraine is Home' platform. The platform provides important up-to-date information for refugees and IDP returnees. UNHCR is engaging with national counterparts in Ukraine, including ministries and local stakeholders, to explore how they can contribute with information and links to housing compensation and job-related programs that may be of interest to refugees and IDP contemplating returns (see left).
- **Winter planning 2024-25:** With Ukraine's energy infrastructure crippled by continued aerial attacks, the coming winter is expected to be extremely challenging for millions of vulnerable, displaced and war-affected people. To mitigate the risks of further displacement and help people stay safe and warm, [UNHCR has launched a multi-faceted winter response plan](#) with an appeal of \$170 million. The plan builds on UNHCR's successful winter response effort last year which reached over one million people with winter cash assistance and other forms of support.

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* Europe corresponds to all Europe sub-regions as identified by Eurovoc ([European Union, Thesaurus Eurovoc, Volume 2, Subject-oriented version, Publications Office, 2005](#)), therefore including EU and non-EU countries belonging to Central and Eastern Europe, Northern Europe, Southern Europe, and Western Europe, plus Türkiye.

** Source: IOM - There has been a slight reduction in the IDP figure in Ukraine based on the [latest IOM Internal Displacement Report](#), from 3.7 to 3.5 million IDPs between December 2023 and April 2024.

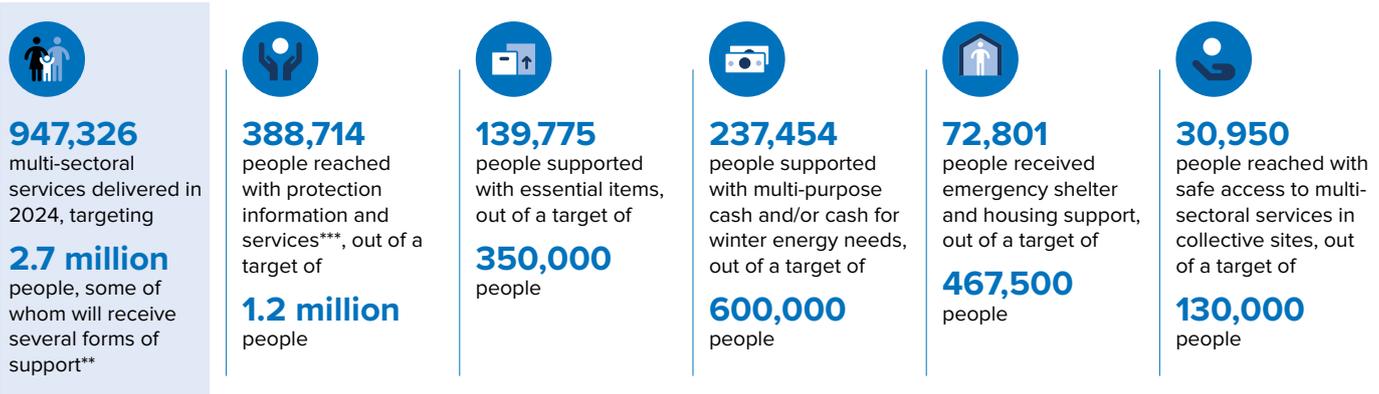
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- Emergency response:** Following heavy attacks on 8 July, UNHCR and NGO partner Rokada [provided](#) 390 emergency shelter kits to affected families to quickly cover damage to their homes, and in Dnipro where 120 people (including three with disabilities) received tarpaulins and transparent film through partner Proliska to cover damaged windows and doors. Almost 200 affected people also received psychosocial support and legal counselling, primarily to access financial compensation for damaged property.
- Cash assistance:** Between January - June, UNHCR provided multi-purpose cash assistance to 237,454 war-affected people and IDPs, recent evacuees from frontline areas, and returnees, prioritizing people with specific vulnerabilities, to help cover the cost of basic items like food, medicines, clothes, accommodation and utilities. Around \$67.5 million has been disbursed so far in 2024. Some 500 affected families are being enrolled for emergency cash assistance by partner R2P following the recent attacks.
- Shelter support:** Partners continued to provide significant emergency shelter support to people affected by attacks

in the south. In Khersonska oblast, for example, 776 families receive emergency shelter assistance through partner Proliska in June. In total from January-June, over 58,000 people received emergency shelter support in Ukraine.

- Collective sites:** On 26 June, a newly renovated collective site was [inaugurated](#) in Dnipro city, offering improved living conditions for 88 IDPs. UNHCR carried out major upgrades to the facility, located in a dormitory of the “Dnipro Academy of Continuing Education”, including replacing windows, refurbishing rooms/common spaces, renovating the water supply, sewage, heating systems, and installing an elevator for improved access for residents with low mobility.
- Livelihoods and inclusion:** On 14 June, UNHCR partner NEEKA held a [job fair](#) in Tiachiv, Zakarpatska region. Fifteen enterprises offered vacancies for job seekers among IDPs and the host community. UNHCR jointly organized another job fair for IDPs in Khmilnyk, Vinnytska region on 27 June, with the Vinnytsia Regional State Administration, Khmilnyk City Council, the Employment Centre in Khmilnyk, alongside the mayor of Khmilnyk.

UNHCR RESPONSE & TARGETS INSIDE UKRAINE 2024* (as of 12 July 2024)



*Includes individuals benefiting from multiple forms of assistance.
 **The targets are subject to the receipt of the funding requirements.
 ***Also includes calls to hotlines.



Emergency housing repairs for war affected people in Ukraine

Ukraine – With ongoing hostilities impacting civilian infrastructure, UNHCR and partner Proliska continue to provide urgent shelter and basic needs support to those most affected on the front lines. This includes construction kits for emergency housing repairs, as well as non-food items. From Jan - June 2024, over 58,000 people received emergency shelter support in Ukraine.

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REGIONAL UNHCR KEY FIGURES

2024 REGIONAL TARGETS*



458,489
people reached with different forms of assistance in 2024*, out of a target of

850,000
people, some of whom will receive several forms of support**



299,757
people reached with protection information and services***, out of a target of

515,000
people



63,529
people reached with multi-purpose cash assistance, out of a target of

190,000
people



95,213
people supported with socio-economic inclusion, including livelihoods support by UNHCR and partners, out of a target of

267,000
people

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REFUGEES FROM UKRAINE ACROSS EUROPE (as of 15 July 2024)



The boundaries and names shown and the designations used on this map do not imply official endorsement or acceptance by the United Nations. *Serbia and Kosovo (S/RES/1244 [1999]) Source: UNHCR Regional Bureau for Europe

More information available on the UNHCR [Ukraine operational data portal](#) page.

PROTECTION

2024 TARGET



515,000

Refugees from Ukraine are targeted with protection information and services in 2024.

- **Bulgaria:** On 24 June, UNHCR and partner Energy Association Varna [officially opened](#) the ‘Protection and Inclusion Centre’ in Varna, eastern Bulgaria. This launch is part of [the formal opening of six community centres across Bulgaria](#) supported by UNHCR, and follows the launch of the Protection and Inclusion Centre in Sofia in April. As part of the opening, an exhibition with photographs featuring refugees from Ukraine was unveiled.
- **Hungary:** Since 1 January 2024, UNHCR and IOM provided 8,745 refugees with access to information, legal assistance and various social services at Budapest Helps! Community Centre. The centre provides services, such as language classes, community support and cultural activities. During the reporting period, 170 refugees received information about their status and access to services. Most requests for information received by UNHCR were related to financial aid and assistance, accommodation and housing, registration and documentation.
- **Moldova:** UNHCR partner National Centre for Prevention of Child Abuse (CNPAC) conducted a summer camp from 24 – 28 June for approximately 50 Ukrainian and Moldovan adolescents. During the camp, the participants discussed problems affecting them and explored potential solutions. They focused their project on education and created a campaign to make schools safer and more welcoming for all students.
- **Poland:** In June, UNHCR coordinated support of humanitarian actors for several groups of Roma refugees from

Ukraine, including a group of 75 individuals seeking access to accommodation after arriving at Przemyśl, eastern Poland. Humanitarian actors provided food and clothing, while UNHCR coordinated with the Department of Crisis Management to identify accommodation and transportation.

- **Romania:** UNHCR and the Department for Emergency Situations (DSU) are jointly carrying out site monitoring and assessments of collective accommodation centres to ensure short and sustainable mid-term response to the most vulnerable refugees. So far, 15 collective accommodation centres have been identified in cities at border areas and where large number of refugees are residing. In parallel, UNHCR is coordinating a technical working group to examine the current situation of collective accommodation centres, with the aim of identifying legal and administrative challenges, and developing recommendations.



Staying Safe: Inter-Agency Insights on Protection and Accountability for Refugees From Ukraine
(June 2024)

To read more about this Inter-Agency report, [click here](#).

BASIC NEEDS, HEALTH AND WELL-BEING

2024 TARGET



190,000

People are targeted for multi-purpose cash assistance by UNHCR and partners.

- **Hungary:** During June, UNHCR enrolled 9 new cases in its cash assistance program for Temporary Protection holders with serious disabilities. In July, 11 beneficiaries are due to receive their last instalments, whereas 42 have received all six instalments of the higher amount (\$320) and will begin receiving three months of the lower amount (\$100), as part of the program’s graduation phase.

- **Moldova:** In June, UNHCR implemented new targeting and prioritization criteria through a consultative process with UN agencies, NGOs, and national authorities. A scorecard system was created to assess based on indicators such as household profile, basic needs, coping capacities, accommodation, and specific needs. Following the vulnerability assessment, around 7,500 households (16,000 individuals) were deemed eligible for ongoing cash assistance. Notably, 37 per cent of households did not meet the new prioritization criteria and consequently became ineligible. To address potential exclusion errors, UNHCR introduced a reconsideration process, aiming to mitigate any resulting protection risks.
- **Romania:** UNHCR and partners distributed 6,075 core-relief items (CRIs), including thermoses, blankets, hygiene kits, towels and clothing to nearly 3,000 refugees in

Romania in June. So far in 2024, UNHCR has distributed 49,004 CRIs to 27,011 refugees.

- **Poland:** UNHCR conducted a psychological first aid training for 18 members of partner organizations in Rzeszow on 10 June. Participants acquired practical skills in applying psychological first aid and working with individuals under severe stress.
- **Russian Federation:** So far in 2024, UNHCR and partners have assisted over 19,650 refugees with mental health and psychosocial support services (MHPSS).

- **Slovakia:** The new [joint 2024 UNHCR-UNICEF programme 'Cash Assistance for Refugees with Vulnerabilities in Slovakia'](#) was widely launched in June. Under this newly programme, 211 cases were approved during June, representing a total of €56,840. The programme targets those with specific vulnerabilities and economic disadvantages, with the aim of assisting persons with disabilities, older persons and persons with serious medical conditions who are not being assisted by the National Social Protection System.

SOCIO-ECONOMIC INCLUSION & LOCALIZATION

2024 TARGET



267,000

People are targeted for socio-economic inclusion, including livelihoods support by UNHCR and partners.

- **Bulgaria:** UNHCR partner Caritas reported that from January - May 2024 approximately 200 refugees found employment with their support. Of those interviewed, 82 per cent were Ukrainian, and 72 per cent of those employed reported to have stable work, i.e. for more than three months.
- **Czech Republic:** UNHCR is supporting seven refugee-led organizations (RLOs) with financial grants across four regions (Brno, Hradec Kralove, Usti nad Labem and Pardubice). In June, UNHCR conducted monitoring visits to two RLOs in Pardubice and Hradec Kraloveto to follow up on the implementation of the funded activities and explored additional areas of potential collaboration.
- **Hungary:** UNHCR's small refugee grant scheme will now benefit nine partners (including refugee-led and community-based organizations), which prioritizes access to learning, employment counselling and social cohesion projects. Overall, the projects will reach approximately 1,000 refugees with their activities. A workshop is also planned for September.
- **Latvia:** In June, UNHCR signed a small grant agreement with RLO 'Art Laboratory', which focuses on extracurricular activities for refugee children from Ukraine as well as host community children to foster social inclusion. Activities will be implemented starting from July and until end-2024, including theatre and drama activities.
- **Romania:** As of 8 July, UNHCR enrolled nearly 1,000 refugees from Ukraine in Romanian language courses across seven locations, organized by language service provider 'International House'. Those enrolled are mainly women seeking employment. UNHCR's partner World Vision and Metropolitan Agency for Sustainable Development (AMDDDB)/Katya Center supported 1,285 refugees from Ukraine with awareness sessions on employment, of whom 945 have signed contracts or benefitted from services including individual and group counselling, Romanian language classes, mediation/follow-up with employers and CV drafting.
- **Slovakia:** During June, 68 refugees—the majority of whom were women—graduated from a six-month 3D modelling requalification course organized by UNHCR partner Sme Spolu, and are now being supported to access employment opportunities. UNHCR also took part in Kariéra EXPO job fair in Košice on 12 June, providing information on job counselling through partners in eastern Slovakia, while engaging with private sector companies considering offering employment for refugees.

High Commissioner Filippo Grandi visits Ukraine



Kharkiv, Ukraine – In mid-July, the UN High Commissioner for Refugees, Filippo Grandi, undertook his fifth visit to Ukraine, where he urged further international support ahead of the third winter since the full-scale invasion. The High Commissioner also [met with](#) President Volodymyr Zelensky in Kyiv, where the two discussed the humanitarian situation, upcoming winter response, and the launch of UNHCR's 'Ukraine is Home' platform.

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COORDINATION

UKRAINE

In Ukraine, UNHCR leads three Clusters, namely Camp Coordination and Camp Management (CCCM), Protection, and Shelter and Non-Food Items (NFIs). The CCCM Cluster was activated in March 2022 and coordinates 18 UN and NGO partners across three hubs, with the aim of supporting 157,000 people in collective sites in 2024. The Protection Cluster consists of 166 partners, including sub-clusters, and operates three coordination hubs to reach an anticipated three million people in 2024. The Shelter and NFI Cluster coordinates 98 active partners across three coordination hubs, targeting 3.9 million people in 2024 with NFI kits, emergency shelter and housing repairs. UNHCR also co-chairs the Protection Strategy Working Group under the Humanitarian Country Team, and the Accountability to Affected Populations (AAP) Working Group. Through its leadership in these areas, UNHCR promotes the centrality of protection, as well as meaningful engagement and participation across the response.

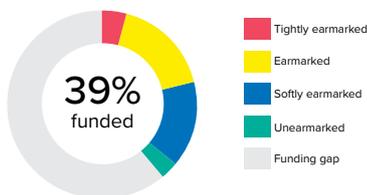
REGIONAL REFUGEE RESPONSE

Through the [2024 Regional Refugee Response Plan \(RRP\)](#), 313 partners in Belarus, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Republic of Moldova, Romania and Slovakia work towards ensuring refugees have effective access to legal status, protection and rights in their host countries and that refugees with specific needs and vulnerabilities have access to targeted support and assistance. The plan also aims at strengthening refugees' socio-economic inclusion in their host communities and increasing their self-reliance, while at the same time reinforcing social cohesion between refugees and their hosts. In support of the government-led responses across the region, UNHCR leads and coordinates the implementation of the inter-agency RRP in line with the Refugee Coordination Model, collaborating and consulting with authorities, aid agencies, civil society, and with affected populations. To learn more about the 2023 RRP response, please [see here](#).

FINANCIAL UPDATES

UNHCR Ukraine Situation Funding Update 2024

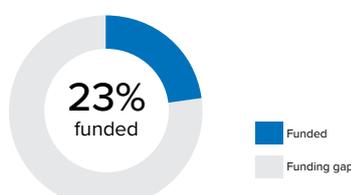
US\$ 993.3 million required



As of 10 July 2024

Inter-Agency Financial Updates

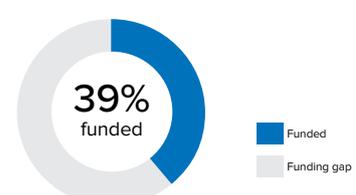
US\$ 1.08 billion required*



As of 30 June 2024

[Ukraine situation: 2024 Regional Refugee Response Plan](#)

US\$ 3.11 billion required



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[Ukraine Humanitarian Needs and Response Plan 2024](#)

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