



# UKRAINE SITUATION FLASH UPDATE #17

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## KEY FIGURES

**5,094,531**

Individual refugees from Ukraine recorded across Europe

**3,407,378**

Refugees from Ukraine registered for Temporary Protection or similar national protection schemes in Europe

**7,567,024**

Border crossings from Ukraine

**2,479,398**

Border crossings to Ukraine

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## BACKGROUND

Since the onset of the Russian invasion, nearly one-third of Ukrainians have been forced from their homes. This is the largest human displacement crisis in the world today. Within Ukraine, over 7.1 million people remain displaced by the war and 15.7 million people are estimated to urgently require humanitarian assistance and protection. As of today, UNHCR estimates there are over 5.1 million refugees present across Europe, and over 3.4 million refugees from Ukraine have registered for temporary protection or similar national protection schemes in Europe. More than 7.5 million refugee movements out of Ukraine have been recorded since 24 February, while nearly 2.5 million movements back into the country have been recorded 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 fighting is 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 1.4 million people reached with assistance to date

### As of 13 June:

- **532,713** people reached with essential food and non-food items, winter clothes and shelter materials
- **516,251** people enrolled for multipurpose cash assistance. **350,035** have received their first payment
- **295,216** people received protection assistance, advice and referrals at border crossing points, transit and reception centres and through hotlines
- **95,410** people received assistance through humanitarian convoys delivered to hard-hit areas
- **67,093** sleeping spaces created / improved in **189** reception centres and collective centres

## UKRAINE SITUATION UPDATE

- As of 14 June, the Office of the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR) recorded 9,931 civilian casualties in the country: 4,432 killed – including 277 children – and 5,499 injured. OHCHR notes that the actual figures are likely considerably higher.
- Heavy fighting persists in several areas of eastern and southern Ukraine. Daily strikes also continue in Donetsk and Kherson oblasts. In Kherson, Ukrainian mobile networks and internet have been cut off for over a week.
- In Luhansk oblast, the three bridges connecting the cities of Sievierodonetsk and Lysychansk have been damaged, making them impassable for vehicles, hindering access to and evacuation routes from Sievierodonetsk where fierce clashes continue. An estimated 800 people are sheltering in Sievierodonetsk's Azot chemical plant, mostly workers of the plant and their families.
- The hostilities are also impacting access to social services in several regions. In Donetsk oblast, all government registry offices have closed in the city of Sloviansk, while the settlements of Kurahkove and Pokrovsk are cut off from State services as well as post offices, ATMs and pension services. Access to medicines and health services is also a concern, including parts of Donetsk oblast.

## 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

- **295,216** 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**. **124,462** people have received protection information, support or counselling; **98,868** people received information and counselling through hotlines; **30,653** people received legal counselling or assistance; **28,165** people received psychosocial support or psychological first aid; **7,430** received social support. This is in addition to **3,263** protection monitoring missions.
- UNHCR continues to work with partners to monitor protection needs and propose interventions to address them. In Zakarpattia oblast, UNHCR's NGO partner NEEKA conducted seven interventions to improve reception conditions at temporary accommodation centres. In Vinnytsia, UNHCR identified current needs in a facility serving older displaced people with special needs. Meanwhile, UNHCR's partner Proliska continues conducting needs assessments in collective centres in Dnipropetrovsk, Kharkiv, Poltava and Zaporizhzhia oblasts.

### 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 and **350,035 of them have received their first payments**.
- **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 Dnipropetrovsk, Poltava and Zaporizhzhia oblasts in the east.
- An **interactive Cash Working Group dashboard** showing overall progress can be accessed [here](#). A cumulative 1.69 million people have received cash assistance through all 20 Cash Working Group partners.

### Core Relief Items

- To date, **532,713 people have benefitted from core relief items and food assistance across eastern, central and western Ukraine**. This includes **113,879** people who received food assistance, 24,009 who were in receipt of shelter kits and **394,825** people received core relief items, such as clothes and hygiene kits.
- **UNHCR, as part of inter-agency humanitarian convoys, has reached 95,410 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.
- So far, UNHCR has supported **189 reception centres and collective centres** run by the Government to increase their capacity to host IDPs. A total of **67,093 additional sleeping spaces** at these centres have so far been created.

- **319,286 people enrolled for cash assistance** in Moldova, Poland, Romania and Slovakia as of 14 June
- **37 Blue Dots established** with UNICEF in Bulgaria, Hungary, Italy, Moldova, Poland, Romania and Slovakia
- **Over 2.4 million** page visits to UNHCR Help websites in Hungary, Moldova, Poland, Romania and Slovakia

## HUNGARY



### Key figures - HUNGARY

- **24,091** refugees have applied for temporary protection
- Over **13,700** 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
- Over **1,400** people trained on core humanitarian principles, gender-based violence (GBV), safe disclosure and referrals, and protection from sexual exploitation and abuse (PSEA)
- Over **64,000** visits to the UNHCR Hungary Help page

### Protection

- UNHCR and partners Cordelia, Hungarian Helsinki Committee (HHC), Menedék, Migration Aid and Next Step have provided **information, counselling, psychosocial support and protection referrals to 13,675 refugees** at border crossing points, help/info points and temporary shelters across the country.
- This includes **1,931** persons provided with **legal counselling and information on temporary protection** by UNHCR at Záhony train station from 28 April to 12 June. The main information requested relates to available services including accommodation and 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.
- UNHCR has conducted 104 site visits to shelters throughout the country, including official shelters designated by the authorities as well as privately and municipally-operated facilities.
- From 7 to 14 June, UNHCR collected more than 400 profiling forms during regular protection monitoring across Hungary, including information on refugees' intentions to return to Ukraine or travel onwards in Europe.
- Hungarian Baptist Aid has assisted over 150 refugees with rental support in private accommodation in Budapest, Gyál, Szigethalom and other locations, while providing 32 refugees with employment support through work placements.
- From 6 to 10 June, partner Migration Aid assisted 76 persons (60 students and 16 teachers) with integration

support, including joint programmes and activities with local Hungarian schools. It is now preparing summer camp and day-care arrangements for refugee children.

- The **UNHCR Hungary Help page** has received over **64,000 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 QR links to the site shared via posters, leaflets and Facebook groups active throughout Hungary.
- UNHCR has **disseminated GBV guidelines on referral pathways to all partners for their use and further circulation, to improve awareness and access to relevant services for GBV survivors**.
- **The dissemination of information on anti-trafficking awareness is ongoing by UNHCR and partners**, with material from the 'Stay Safe' campaign currently being developed, translated and distributed.
- UNHCR Hungary continues to **expand partnerships to enhance access to protection and support services for refugees. UNHCR now has a total of ten partners working on a range of protection issues**.

### Core Relief Items

- With the cooperation of the Foundation of the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church, refugee-led organizations Lexis and Unity, and implementing partner Next Step, UNHCR has distributed hygiene kits to 952 families across nine locations in Budapest and six in rural areas, with further distributions ongoing.
- **Pre-positioned regional stock in warehouses in Hungary** currently includes:
  - **19,800** bed sets
  - **12,432** blankets
  - **13,392** hygiene Kits



### Key figures - REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA

- **62,661** people have received multipurpose cash assistance
- Some **1,600** refugees departed to Austria, France, Germany, Latvia, Lithuania, Norway, Spain and Switzerland as part of the Solidarity Platform
- **7 Blue Dots** are now operational. Overall, **13,029** people have been supported at the Blue Dots between 14 March and 15 June, **6,520** of whom were children
- **40,074** refugees received protection information or counselling through UNHCR and partners
- **15,786** people received protection support via the UNHCR-managed 'Green Line' helpline
- Over **186,000** visits to the **UNHCR Moldova Help page**

### Protection

- **There are currently seven Blue Dots operational in Moldova. Over 13,029 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. Plans are underway for additional locations.
- **To date, 1,071 people have been trained on protection issues.** This includes **621 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 **318 people** have been trained on the identification and referral of children at risk. **In addition, 148 people** have been trained on general protection issues such as the identification of persons with disabilities and protection monitoring and profiling.
- **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 15,786 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.**
- Twelve 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 1,800 persons have transferred to European countries from Moldova. Among the transfers coordinated in the context of the Solidarity Platform, some 1,600 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 pre-departure procedures, including through counselling refugees. In addition, Lithuania transferred 200 persons from Moldova by bus, on a bilateral basis.

### Multipurpose Cash Assistance

- **62,661 refugees have been enrolled and issued bank cards** for multipurpose cash assistance in Moldova since 25 March. Of these, 42,725 have already received a second payment and 8,538 have received a third payment. **An analysis of those who have received payments shows the vast majority of households (95%) report that they were able to find the items and or services they needed in markets and shops using cash assistance.**

### Core Relief Items

- **Pre-positioned regional stock in warehouses in Moldova** currently includes:
  - **106,674** blankets
  - **29,400** bed sets
  - **20,008** solar lamps
  - **22,000** jerry cans
  - **15,000** mattresses
  - **9,208** kitchen sets
  - **7,110** quilts
  - **4,852** sleeping bags
  - **7,055** 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

- **1,164,627** refugees have applied for temporary protection<sup>1</sup>
- **204,771** refugees enrolled for multipurpose cash assistance as of 6 June from a target of **360,000** people
- **12 Blue Dots** operating with **17,000** people supported as of 13 June
- Over **2.1 million visits** of the UNHCR Poland Help Page
- **695 people trained** on protection issues, including anti-trafficking and the prevention of sexual exploitation and abuse (PSEA)

### Protection

- **Some 17,000 people have been counselled through the 12 blue dots in the country as of 13 June, with protection teams supporting over 17,000 people.** 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.
- **695 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, Rzeszów 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 Rzeszów for 35 civil servants and 5 NGO staff.
- On June 10, UNHCR and partner Première Urgence Internationale (PUI) opened the doors to refugees from Ukraine at the Protection Hub – Community Centre Rzeszów. On the first day, 25 women and children visited the centre. The ‘One-Stop Shop’ provides psychosocial support, GBV prevention and response, and child protection and legal aid services.
- The [UNHCR Poland Help page](#) continues to be the **most visited UNHCR country Help site globally**. It has surpassed **over 2.1 million visits**. 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.

- More than 200,00 Ukrainian children have been enrolled in Polish schools. On 10 June, UNHCR met with the International Cooperation Department of the Ministry of Education and Science to discuss a number of issues, including the benefits of accreditation of qualifications for Ukrainian teachers and facilitating their employment in Polish schools.
- 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.
- UNHCR Poland continues to expand its presence to reach those most in need, and to develop new partnerships to expand access to information and to services. **Since the onset of the crisis, six new partnerships have been developed with NGOs in Poland.** Three new UNHCR offices have also been established in **Krakow, Lublin and Rzeszów**, as well as two new warehouses in Grabica and Rzeszów.

### Multipurpose Cash Assistance

- As of 12 June, 204,771 refugees have been enrolled for multipurpose cash assistance. UNHCR’s multipurpose cash assistance programme collects basic information on specific needs and makes referrals to the Blue Dots or related services where required. The information recorded helps inform ongoing assistance and protection interventions, with approximately 19 per cent of enrolments having a need recorded. After single parents (63 per cent), the highest categories are people with disabilities (11 per cent), women at risk (8 per cent) and people with serious medical conditions (7 per cent).
- **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 regional stock in warehouses in Poland** currently includes:
  - **110,676** bed sets
  - **65,000** blankets
  - **103,122** hygiene kits
  - **30,367** mattresses
  - **12,960** diapers
  - **9,104** quilts
- **185 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.

<sup>1</sup> Figure derived from the Government of Poland’s PESEL registration information. The PESEL (Polish: Powszechny Elektroniczny System Ewidencji Ludności) is the national identification number used in Poland since 1979.



### Key figures - ROMANIA

- **37,832 refugees** registered for temporary protection
- **Some 6,800 refugees enrolled for cash assistance** as of 13 June
- Over 21,000 refugees provided with information and counselling in person or over the phone
- **10 Blue Dots** operating in Romania
- **11,109 people** supported to travel to Romania from Moldova through fast-track transfers
- **Over 50,000** 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 13 June, over 21,000 people have received protection support**, advice, referrals and information in person or remotely through helplines. This includes **some 11,000 people who were supported in person** and **10,100 people who received support through helplines**.
- From 5 to 8 June, UNHCR conducted comprehensive protection training sessions covering refugee protection, child protection, GBV, PSEA and AAP in Iasi and Vaslui. Sixty-four staff from the General Directorate of Social Assistance and Child Protection (DGASPC) as well as 80 NGO staff and volunteers attended. Awareness-raising sessions were also conducted for some 40 refugees.
- **The [UNHCR Romania Help page](http://www.dopomoha.ro) has been visited over 50,000 times.** Furthermore, UNHCR Romania has helped create and is consistently updating the national information platform available at [www.dopomoha.ro](http://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 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 ten 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. The second meeting of the Task Force took place in Bucharest on 14 June.
- UNHCR and IOM continue to jointly facilitate **fast-track transfers from Palanca border crossing** point with Ukraine in Moldova, to Husi, Romania. As of 13 June, **11,109 people** had been transported to Romania through this mechanism.

### Multipurpose Cash Assistance

- Some 6,800 **persons have been enrolled to receive multipurpose cash assistance as of 13 June, of whom over 90 per cent are women and children.** Cash has been transferred to over 5,500 refugees. In addition to existing locations in Brasov, Bucharest, Galati and Iasi, UNHCR plans to open additional enrolment sites in Constanta and Suceava.

### Core Relief Items

- **Pre-positioned regional stock in warehouses in Romania** currently includes:
  - **111,322** bed sets
  - **9,104** quilts
  - **82,128** blankets
  - **30,903** mattresses
  - **7,820** solar lamps
  - **55,800** hygiene kits
  - **2,565** tarpaulins
  - **2,281** kitchen sets
  - **4,809** tents
- UNHCR and partners continue to assess reception centres in order to prepare additional support to enhance reception capacities. **To date, 100 locations have been assessed by UNHCR partner REACH during ongoing site monitoring activities.**



### Key figures - SLOVAKIA

- **78,113 Refugees** registered for temporary protection
- **45,054 refugees enrolled for cash assistance** as of 13 June from an enrolment target of **57,500 people**
- **1 Blue Dot** operating in Slovakia
- **Over 75,000 visits** to the UNHCR Slovakia Help page

### Protection

- **To date, UNHCR has trained more than 330 frontline humanitarian workers, partner staff, cash enumerators, staff members, police officers and government officials on protection-related topics.** Training has focused on several areas including refugee protection, GBV and safe referrals, PSEA, child protection and AAP. UNHCR has also identified refugee community members who will share PSEA information via their online networks.
- There are currently 86 unaccompanied children 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 Labour, Social Affairs and Family (MoLSAF) in, among other issues, monitoring care arrangements, strengthening legal guardianship procedures and upholding the best interest of children by promoting family reunification.
- **UNHCR continues protection monitoring at border crossing points and at registration centres**, including the Ubľa, Velke Slemence and Vyšné Nemecké 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 Zilina. UNHCR partners Slovak Humanitarian Council and Human Rights League are operating at the Blue Dot.
- On 10 June, the tenth session of the Protection and Inclusion Working Group was held with 32 participants. The group agreed to establish working-level task

teams on areas such as inclusion in education in preparation for the next academic year, the architecture and implementation of temporary protection, GBV response, referral pathways (including disabilities), community empowerment and feedback mechanisms.

- **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 include service providers across the country. Service providers include those providing services related to **MHPSS, safety, legal counselling, and anti-trafficking**. Separately, a meeting with the Slovak Bar Association resulted in incorporation of Pro-Bono Lawyers for Ukrainians and Non-Pro-Bono Asylum Lawyers into Legal Referral Pathways.
- Lack of access to reliable information is a continuing challenge. **The UNHCR Slovakia Help page has received over 75,000 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**. Separately, the office **approved grants for two refugee-led organizations**. These are the Ukrainian-Slovak **House Community Centre (SME SPOLU)**, which will work on “inter-communal dialogue through art” and **Gender Stream**, which will focus on alliance-building with public and civil society actors and professional groups in the health care, legal and education sectors to enhance inclusion of LGBTIQ+ refugees.

### Multipurpose Cash Assistance

- Enrolment is ongoing at five registration centres across the country. As of 13 June, 45,054 persons have been enrolled, including 4,405 persons directly enrolled by UNHCR and interviewed to identify specific needs, and an additional 40,069 persons enrolled by the Government.
- The protection monitoring and profiling exercise continues, aiming to get more information directly from refugees on their specific needs. 565 interviews were conducted from 17 May to 11 June with refugees in partnership with REACH, which provides data and analysis in order to inform humanitarian action.





## Blue Dots

UNHCR and UNICEF are jointly establishing 'Blue Dots' in multiple countries receiving refugees fleeing Ukraine. To date, a total of 37 are already operational including in:

Bulgaria	4
Hungary	1
Italy	2
Moldova	7
Poland	12
Romania	10
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, Shelter and Camp Coordination Camp Management (CCCCM) clusters. 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 Dnipro, Lviv, Uzhhorod and Vinnytsia. 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 partners' 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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[Ukraine Situation: Regional Refugee Response Plan](#)

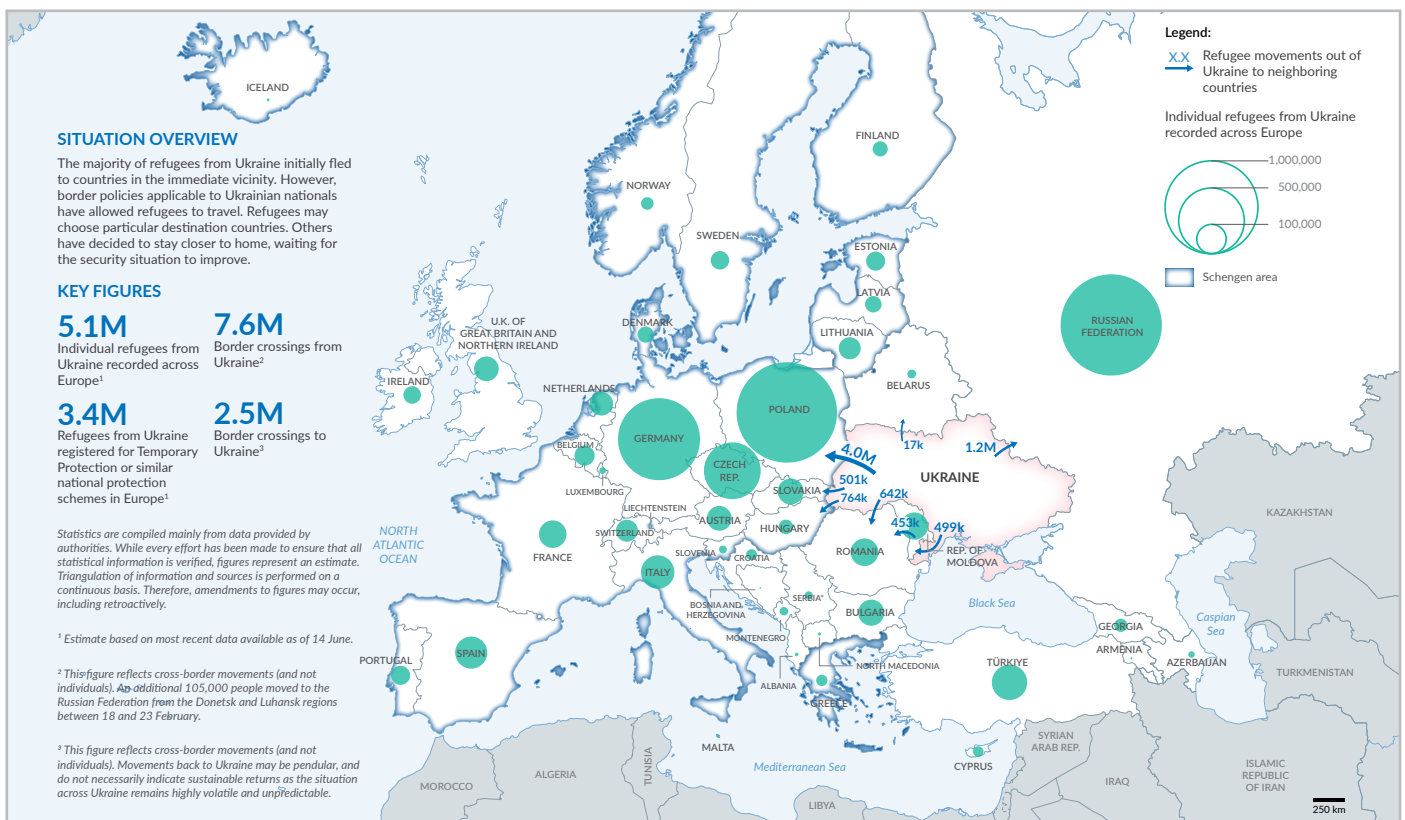
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[UN Flash Appeal \(Ukraine\)](#)

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## Refugees from Ukraine across Europe (as of 14 June 2022)



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