

Multi-Sector Needs Assessment Moldova



Disability
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Objectives

Context: Lack of comprehensive, generalizable statistically representative assessments of refugees' needs and vulnerabilities

Support an evidence-based humanitarian response in Moldova through the provision of multi-sectoral data about the needs and coping capacities of Ukrainian refugee households in the country.

Understand household composition of refugees, including key demographics

Identify priority needs of refugee households, including health needs, education needs, accommodation needs, livelihood needs, and protection risks

Understand coping capacity and vulnerability/resilience in the event of protracted displacement

Identify household profiles with most critical needs to inform targeting

Identify needs and impact of humanitarian aid

Methodology and sampling

Population of interest

All Ukrainians in Moldova displaced due to war living in the Refugee Accommodation Centres (RACs) or in the host community. Due to operational challenges in data collection, the Transnistrian region was not included in the sampling frame.

Sampling

Probability stratified random sampling at RAC level and non-random purposive sampling at Ukrainians displaced due to war and residing in the host community in Moldova (non-RAC). Due to the limited availability of primary data regarding the number and the location of Ukrainians in Moldova living in the host community, findings for refugees living in the host community should be considered as indicative only. **Moreover, the sampling frame excluded settlements with less than 50 refugees and RACs reporting less than 20 inhabitants. This is to account for the potential operational challenges in identifying respondents in these communities. Further details about the total number of refugees living in Moldova is available on the [UNHCR Data Portal](#).**

Data collection method

Face-to-face interviews with head-of-family or another person knowledgeable about the socio-economic situation. The questionnaire included both questions about the situation of the family as well as individual members. Data was collected between May 16 – May 31, 2022.

Findings for Ukrainians living in RACs are statistically significant at 95% level of confidence and 10% margin of error. Findings for Ukrainian living in the host community (non-RAC) are indicative only.

Strata	Estimated number of families	Final Sample size (# of interviews collected)
RAC	910	130
Community	12,675	574
Total	13,585	704

Sampling frame

Community		RACs	
Raion	# of interviews	Raion	# of interviews
Anenii Noi	11	Anenii Noi	2
Balti	43	Balti	5
Cahul	3	Basarabasca	2
Calarasi	1	Briceni	1
Causeni	8	Cahul	8
Chisinau	443	Chisinau	78
Edinet	8	Cimislia	4
Falesti	3	Criuleni	2
Ialoveni	2	Dubarasi	6
Ocnita	4	Edinet	1
Orhei	4	Falesti	6
Rezina	2	Ialoveni	5
Stefan Voda	10	Stefan Voda	2
Straseni	2	Straseni	2
Taraclia	9	Telenesti	4
Telenesti	3	Ungheni	1
Ungheni	4	UTA Gagauzia	1
UTA Gagauzia	14	Total	130
Total	574		

In total, enumerator teams travelled to 36 cities and villages to interview Ukrainians living in communities and 20 cities and villages to interview Ukrainians living inside RACs – covering 39 RACs in total.

Washington Group Questions

“The WG-SS is an internationally recognized method to ask about disability in humanitarian settings. The WG-SS asks about six core domains of function; that is, the questions seek to determine how much difficulty an individual has in performing basic functions (walking, seeing, hearing, cognition, self-care and communication), rather than about disability directly.” (See guidance below)

1. Does this HH member has difficulty seeing, even if wearing glasses?
2. Does this HH member has difficulty hearing, even if using a hearing aid?
3. Does this HH member has difficulty walking or climbing steps?
4. Does this HH member has difficulty remembering or concentrating?
5. Does this HH member has difficulty (with self-care such as) washing all over or dressing?
6. Using their usual (customary) language, does this member has difficulty communicating, for example understanding or being understood by others?

Choices

NO – no difficulty

YES – some difficulty

YES – a lot of difficulty

Cannot do at all

[Guidance on using the Washington Group Short Set of questions on disability to Collect disability data in Iraq](#)


= reported on at least one disability


Key Preliminary Findings Disability


Demographics

 **67%**  **33%**

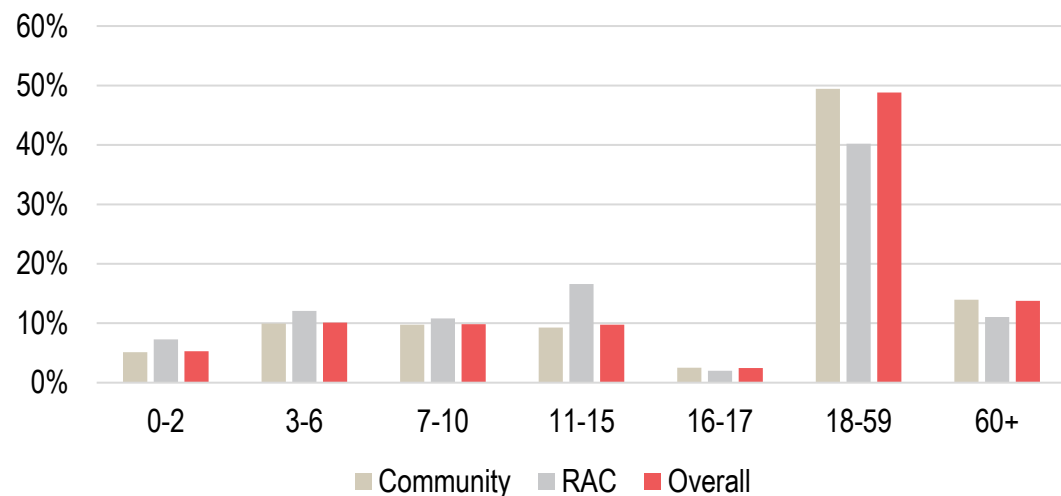
Average age **31** years old

 **37%** of family members are children under 18

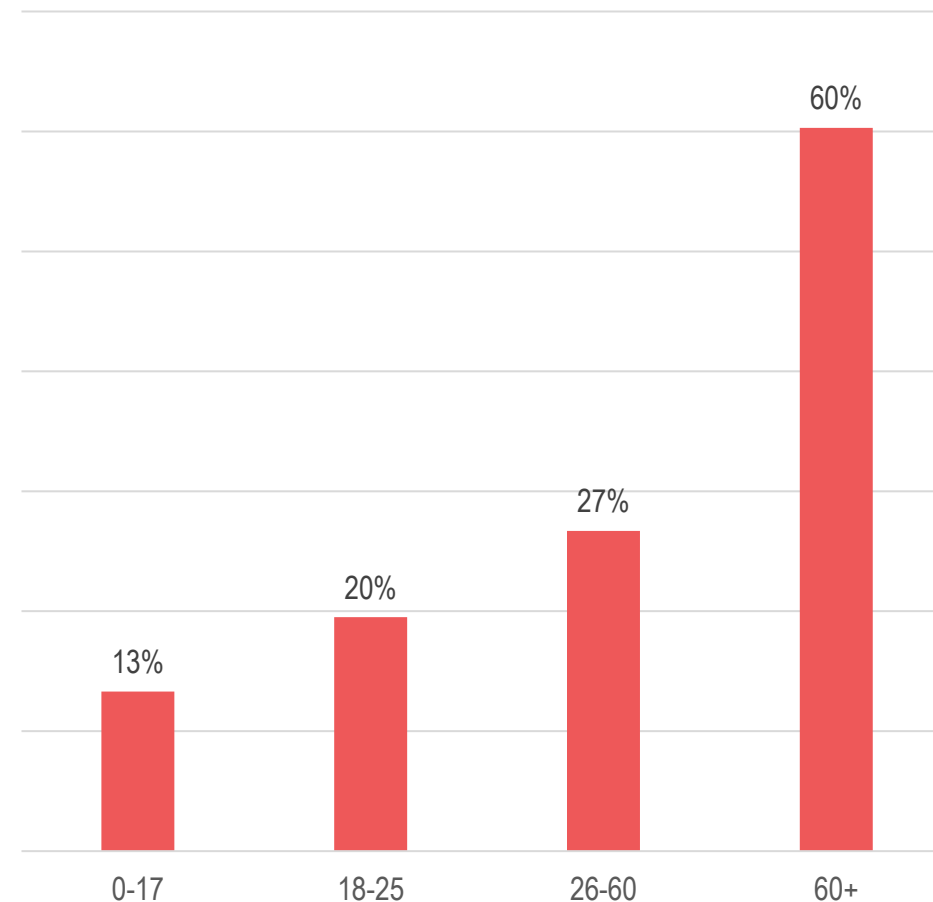
 **62%** of families have children

 **4%** of families have an either pregnant or lactating woman in composition

Proportion of individuals by age groups



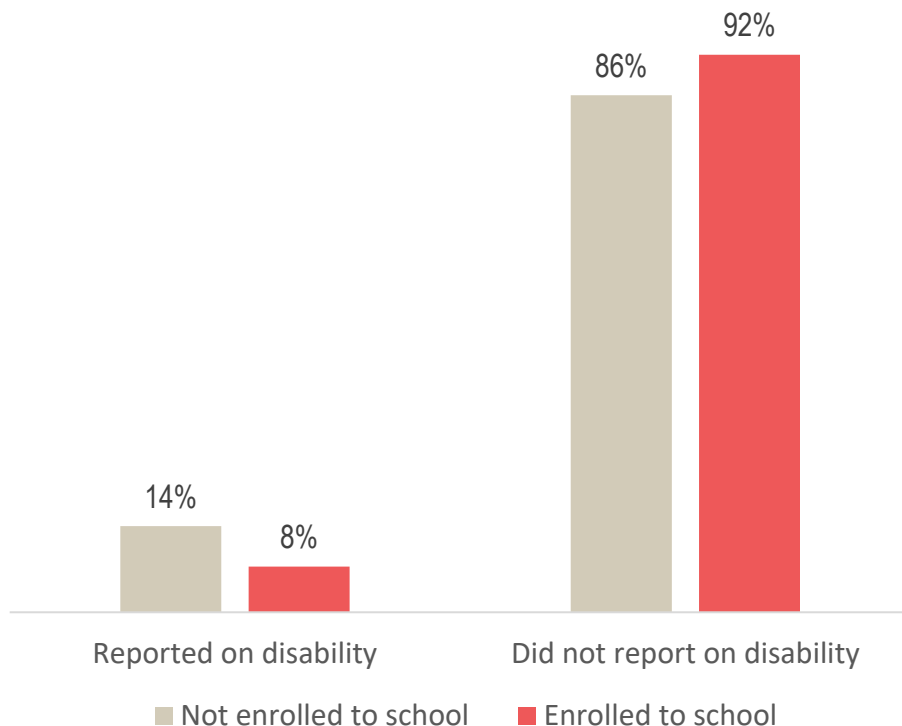
Proportion of individuals reporting on at least a disability*



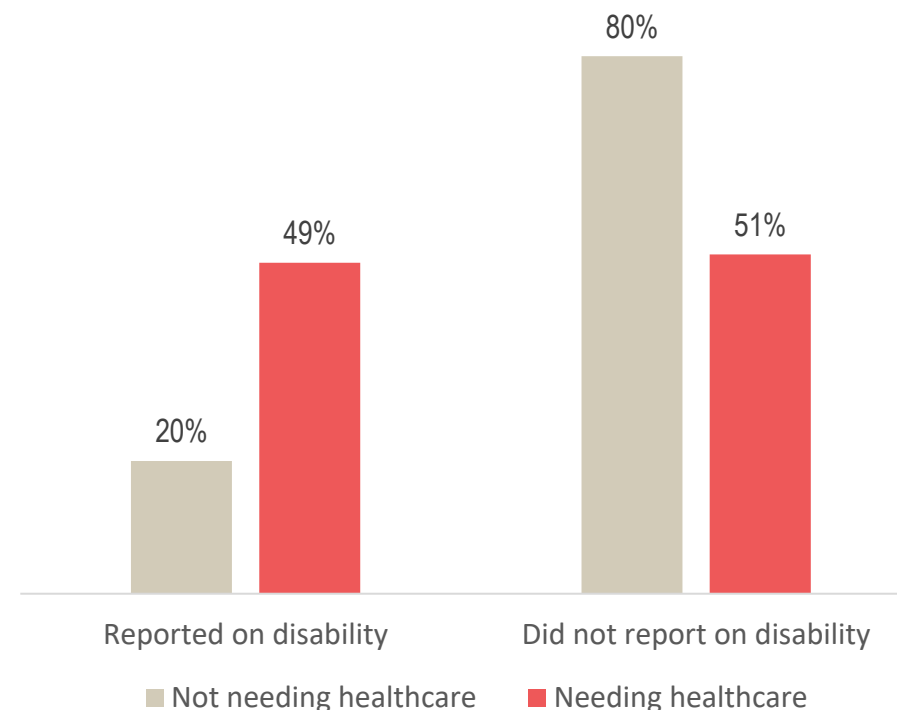
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Families reporting on school aged children with at least one disability, by their school status enrolment*



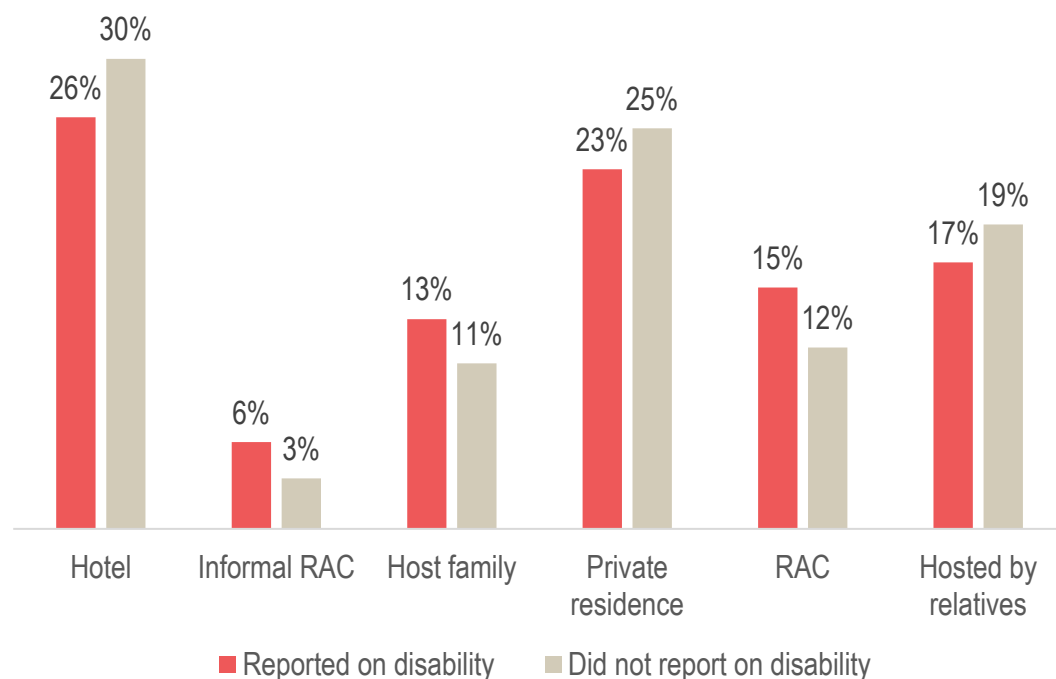
Families reporting on individuals with at least one disability, by needing healthcare services since arriving to Moldova*



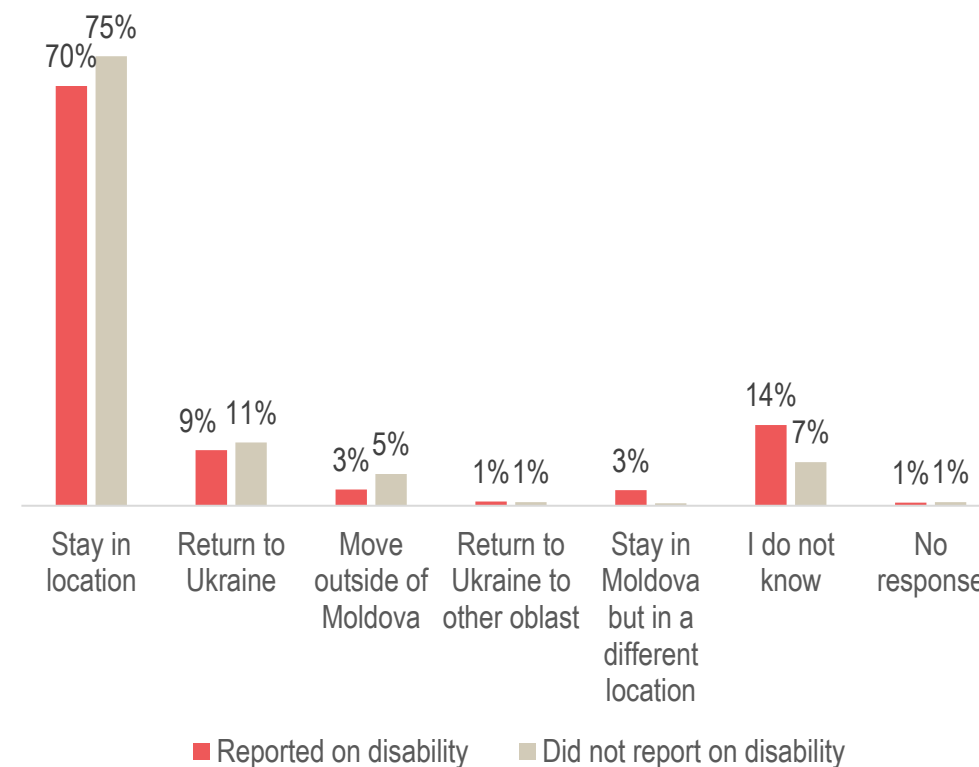
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Proportion of families reporting on disability, by their accommodation status*



Proportion of families reporting on disability, by their intention*



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Next Steps

Dates	Activity
end June – mid July	Interactions with the working groups and other interest government and humanitarian actors
end July	Factsheet with findings
end July	Final presentation of findings
August	Draft report with findings

Output	Download link
Terms of Reference (Survey protocol) of the Multi-Sector Needs Assessment in Moldova	Link
Dataset	Link
Preliminary findings presentation	Link
Multi Sector Needs Assessment in Moldova UNHCR Data Portal Page	Link

Thank you for your attention



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