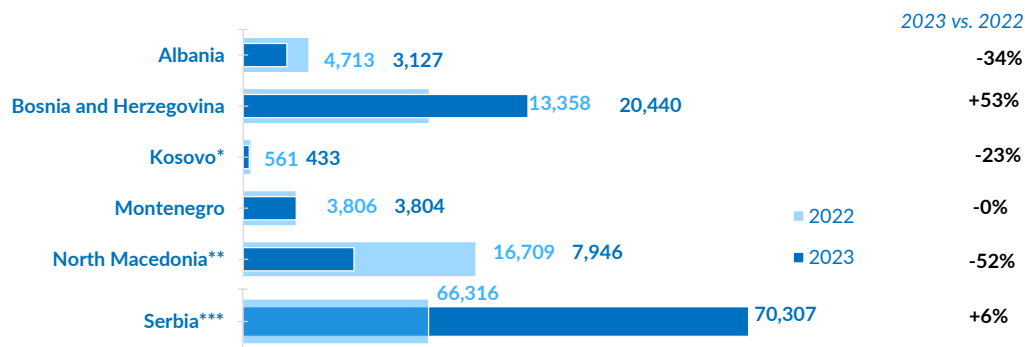


Key figures at Regional level

New arrivals¹: January-August 2023 vs. January-August 2022

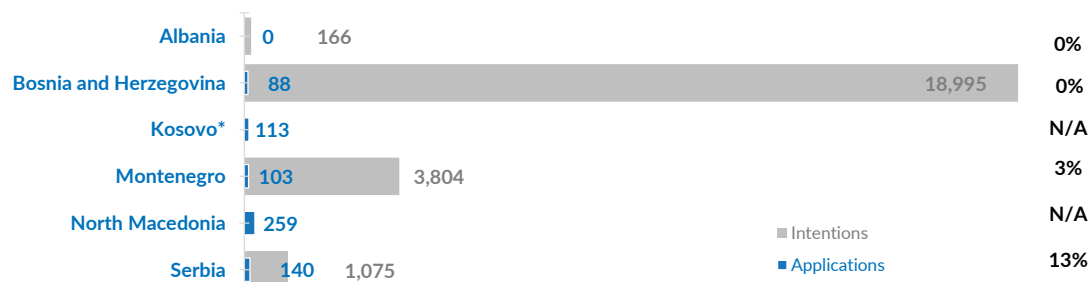


Estimation of Persons of concern in Mixed Movement in the region as of 31 August: **19,863**

Between January and August 2023, some **19,900** refugees and migrants were estimated to have transited through the Western Balkans as part of mixed movements, **seven per cent** less than in the same period last year. Given the nature of movement of these persons, including as a result of pushbacks and/or reverse flow, UNHCR uses data on arrivals to estimate how many persons are a part of mixed movements (MMs) in a given time period.

Asylum statistics in the Western Balkans in 2023

Intentions to seek asylum: 24,040 New asylum applications: 703 Application vs. Intention**** 3%



To explore asylum data, please visit [Western Balkans Asylum Dashboard](#)

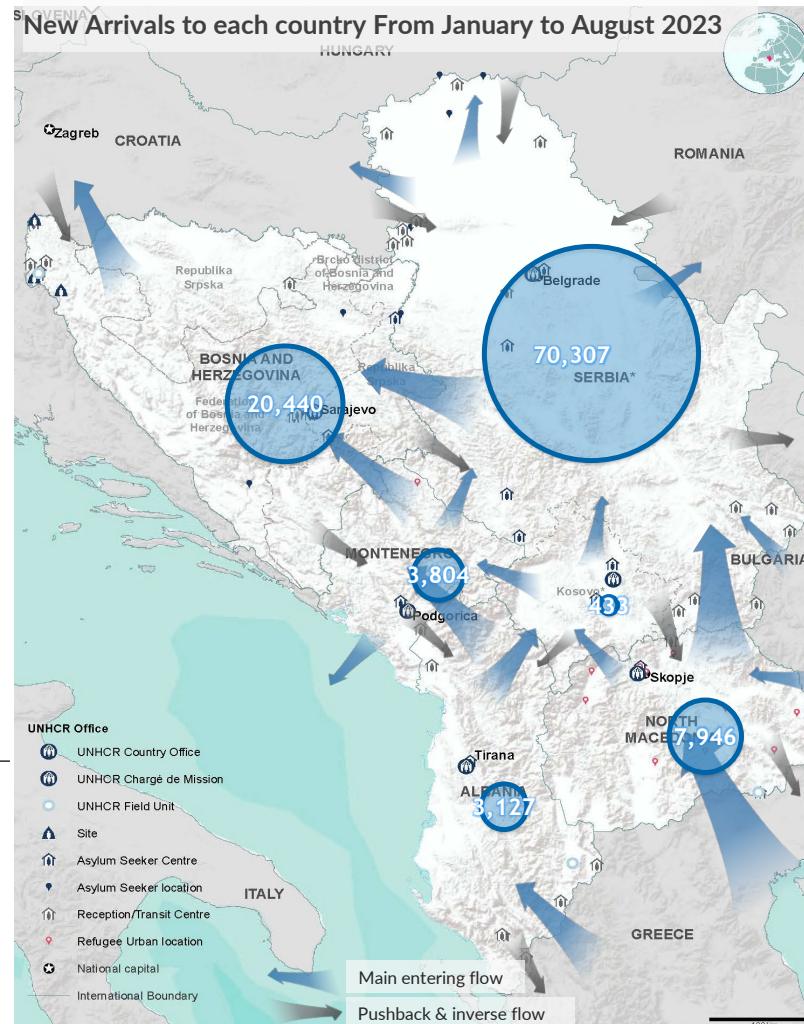
¹ 'New arrivals' in the Western Balkans does not include Ukrainians as of 24 February 2022. For more information on Ukraine Refugee Situation, please visit the [Operational data portal](#)

* Includes Serbia and Kosovo (S/RES/1244 [1999]).

** for North Macedonia, data on arrivals are not official government data, they are UNHCR estimation based on different sources and do not imply official endorsement by UNHCR.

*** Data on arrivals in Serbia is provided by Serbian Commissariat for Refugees and Migrations and Asylum Authorities

**** 4 countries are having an asylum policy with a procedure including Intention before the application to asylum (Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro, and Serbia).



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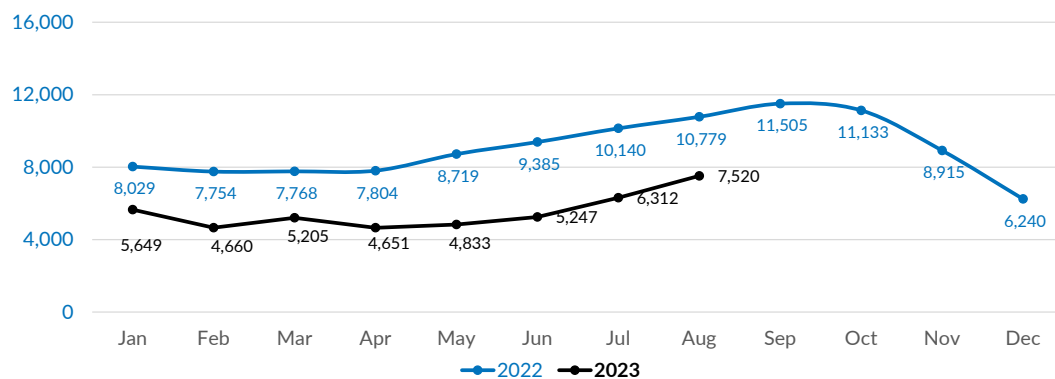
Note: Data presented in this dashboard is collected by UNHCR in the Western Balkans, including data collected by UNHCR Public Information focal points, data collected through Border Protection Monitoring (BPM), as well as monthly arrival and asylum statistics provided by authorities in each country. This data should not be considered final and may change as per the latest updates made available by the authorities. Persons in Mixed Movements (MMs) are considered 'new arrivals' as a part of irregular flow. Data on irregular arrivals and transit of persons through the countries in the Western Balkans may contain double counting of the same persons. It is, therefore, advised not to use the sum of these figures.

Forcibly Displaced and Stateless People presents at the end of August in each country: **7,520**

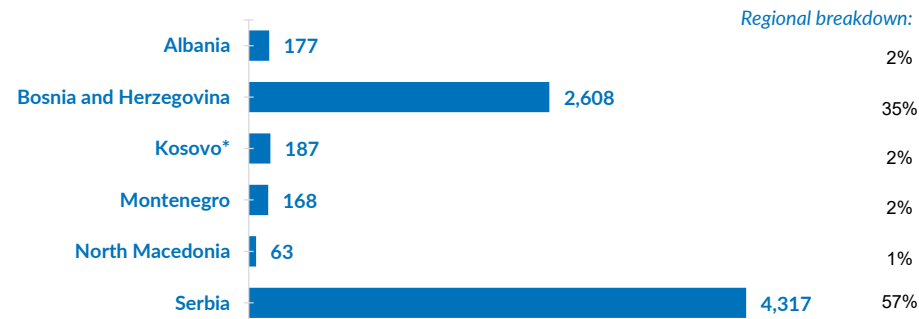
Some **7,500** persons were present in the Western Balkans as of end August 2023, including **283** unaccompanied and separated children (UASC). Of these, 57% were present in Serbia, followed by Bosnia and Herzegovina (35%), Albania, Kosovo & Montenegro (two per cent each) and North Macedonia (one per cent). This also includes estimated number of persons present outside government-run centres.

Forcibly Displaced and Stateless People presents in the Western Balkans countries are accommodated in government-run centres; IOM-run centres, asylum-seekers and persons granted international protection in asylum centres and persons on the move in transit centres.

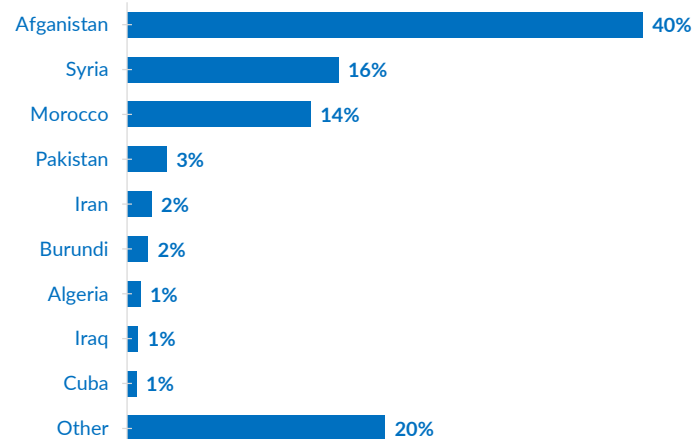
Forcibly Displaced and Stateless People presents at the end of reporting period by month:



Number of unaccompanied or separated children present at end of the reporting period: **283**



Most common nationalities of Forcibly Displaced and Stateless People presents at the end of August in the Western Balkans region:



* Security Council Resolution 1244 (1999)