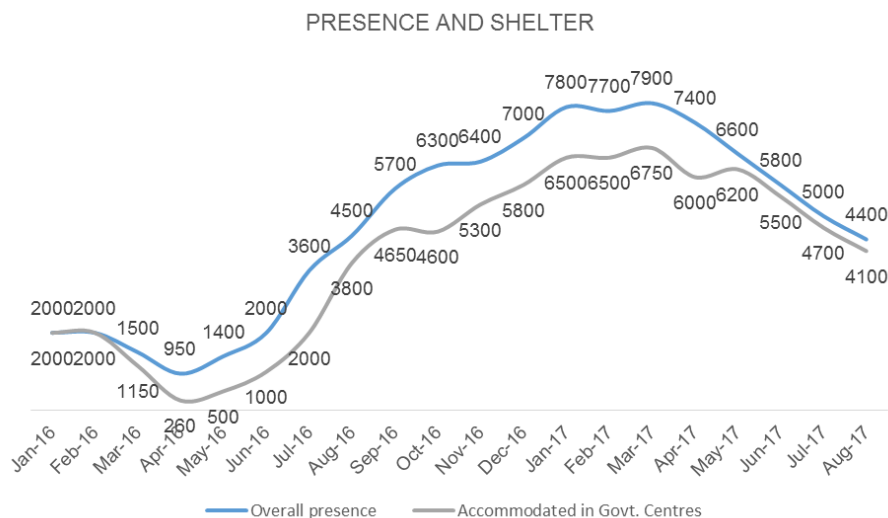


## HIGHLIGHTS AND STATISTICS

- On 14 August, a young Algerian man committed suicide by throwing himself under the wheels of a moving locomotive on Sid-Tovarnik railway near the border with Croatia.
- On 16 Aug, media reported of an offer of citizenship by President Aleksandar Vucic to the family of Afghan boy Farhad Nouri, nicknamed “Little Picasso”, should they decide to remain in Serbia [http://www.b92.net/eng/news/politics.php?yyyy=2017&mm=08&dd=16&nav\\_id=102086](http://www.b92.net/eng/news/politics.php?yyyy=2017&mm=08&dd=16&nav_id=102086). They have been residing in Krnjaca Asylum Centre for over eight months without yet launching a formal request for asylum.
- 4,405 new refugees, asylum-seekers and migrants were counted on 20 August. 4,095, i.e. 93%, were accommodated in 18 governmental centres, while the rest were counted camping rough in other locations. Although many centres now provide ample vacant long-term shelter, some 400 men and boys, including UASC, complained about still being accommodated in rub halls and tents (in Adasevci, Principovac, Sombor or Kikinda) and the related hygienic and psycho-social hardships, especially during the summer heat.
- UNHCR and partners received reports of 105 collective pushbacks from Hungary, and 66 from Croatia, with many alleging to have been denied access to asylum procedures.
- Since the beginning of this year, 125 babies have been born to refugees/migrants in Serbia.
- UNHCR issued a new *Desperate Journeys* report, covering the period January-June 2017, available at: <https://goo.gl/94qSo8>.



## SOUTH

531 refugees, asylum-seekers and migrants were accommodated in the three Reception Centres of Presevo (320), Vranje (121) and Bujanovac (90), including 41 unaccompanied and separated children (UASC).

Most residents of Presevo RC are from Afghanistan (47%), Iraq (36%) and Pakistan (8%) and 50% are children. In Bujanovac, most are from Iraq (33%), Afghanistan (30%) and Syria (27%), and 60% are children. Vranje RC accommodates families and UASCs. All its residents are from Afghanistan, and 52% are children.

## BELGRADE

It is estimated that up to 100 refugees/migrants stayed in Belgrade city centre.

Krnjaca Asylum Centre (AC) accommodated 667 asylum-seekers (including 70 UASC), mainly families from Afghanistan, Iraq or Syria.

A dental clinic funded by Natan International Humanitarian Aid organisation was opened in Krnjaca AC on 14 August.

721 male refugees/migrants (including 130 unaccompanied or separated boys) were sheltered in Obrenovac. Most are from Afghanistan, followed by Pakistan and very few from Iraq or other countries. The Centre for Social Work, supported by UNHCR and partners, performed nine systematic best interest assessments for UASCs in Obrenovac.



*Young Afghan man growing cucumbers and tomatoes in his small patch, Pirot RC (Serbia), ©UNHCR, 18 August 2017*

## EAST

**365** refugees and migrants were accommodated in four Reception Centres: 149 in Pirot, 131 in Divljana, 48 in Dimitrovgrad and 37 in Bosilegrad. Most are from Iraq and Afghanistan, followed by Syria, and half are children.

## WEST

Transit Centres (TCs) in the West sheltered **912** refugees and migrants: 660 in Adasevci and 252 in Principovac.

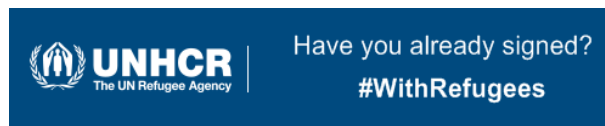
They are mainly from Afghanistan, followed by Iraq, Pakistan, and Syria. More than half are children, including app. 130 UASC.

## NORTH

This week, **53** asylum seekers, mainly families from Afghanistan, Iraq and Syria were admitted into Hungary.

On 20 August, 15 asylum seekers camped at Horgos and Kelebija border sites awaiting admission into Hungary.

Subotica TC sheltered 85 asylum-seekers, Sombor TC 115, and Kikinda TC 199, mostly families from Afghanistan, Iraq and Syria, as well as 20 UASC.



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