



UKRAINE SITUATION FLASH UPDATE #21

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High Commissioner Filippo Grandi speaks with Oksana and Yuri at their destroyed home in Nalyvaikivka, in Kyiv province. July 2022 © UNHCR/Andrew McConnell

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KEY FIGURES

5,816,729
individual refugees from Ukraine recorded across Europe

3,654,271
refugees from Ukraine registered for Temporary Protection or similar national protection schemes in Europe

9,152,696
border crossings from Ukraine

3,546,305
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 6.3 million people remain displaced by the international armed conflict. As of today, UNHCR estimates there are over 5.8 million refugees present across Europe, and over 3.6 million refugees from Ukraine have registered for temporary protection or similar national protection schemes in Europe. More than 9.1 million movements out of Ukraine have been recorded since 24 February, with more than 3.5 million movements back into the country.

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.

UKRAINE SITUATION UPDATE

- As of 12 July, the Office of the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR) recorded 11,554 civilian casualties in the country: 5,024 killed – including 343 children – and 6,520 injured. OHCHR notes that the actual figures are likely considerably higher. OHCHR reports that most of the civilian casualties recorded were caused by the use of explosive weapons with a wide impact area, including shelling from heavy artillery and multiple launch rocket systems, and missile and air strikes.
- Almost five months since the escalation of the international armed conflict in the country, **deadly shelling and missile attacks continue, causing destruction, civilian injuries and deaths**. In the first 11 days of this month alone, at least 135 civilians, including six children, were killed in Government-controlled territory, and at least 24 civilians were killed, four of them children, in non-Government-controlled areas, according to the data verified by the UN Human Rights Monitoring Mission in Ukraine.

Press Release:

[UNHCR survey finds refugees from Ukraine hope to go home](#)



KEY FIGURES UKRAINE (AS OF 13 JULY)



1.5M

people reached with assistance to date



625,074

people reached with essential food and non-food items, winter clothes and shelter materials



544,226

people enrolled for multipurpose cash assistance

391,372

have received their first payment



419,056

people received protection assistance, advice and referrals at border crossing points, transit and reception centres and through hotlines



103,315

people received assistance through humanitarian convoys delivered to hard-hit areas



85,207

sleeping spaces created / improved in 278 reception centres and collective centres

UNHCR RESPONSE TARGETS*



4.3 million

The number of people UNHCR aims to reach



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 assistances



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 available resources

UNHCR RESPONSE IN UKRAINE



Protection

- **419,056** 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**. **178,608** people have received protection information, support or counselling; **133,811** people received information and counselling through hotlines; **50,117** people received legal counselling or assistance; **39,437** people received psychosocial support or psychological first aid; **9,414** received social support. This is in addition to **4,755** protection monitoring missions which have been conducted.
- UNHCR and its NGO partners continue to provide targeted protection assistance and services. For example, in Zakarpattia, Ivano-Frankivska, and at border crossing points, UNHCR partners provided **662 individuals** with social accompaniment for issues related to access to health services, obtaining social benefits, restoration of personal documentation, and access to adequate housing.
- UNHCR continues to deliver core relief items where they are most needed throughout Ukraine and in heavily affected areas. On 4 July, UNHCR delivered **1,240 Non-Food Items** to nine transit and collective centres in Kryvyi Rih in Dnipropetrovska oblast.
- Psychosocial support and assistance are key to helping people cope with the circumstances. Over the past week, UNHCR partners in Chernivtsi, Zaporizhzhia, Kharkiv, Zakarpattia, and Ivano-Frankivska oblasts provided **1,609 people** with psychological support and assistance. Indoor and outdoor activities for more than **450 internally displaced children** and their mothers were also organized in Mukachevo raion.



Multipurpose Cash Assistance

- Since the beginning of cash enrolment in Ukraine on 17 March, **544,226 people have been enrolled by UNHCR** to receive cash assistance and **391,372 of them have received their first payments**.
- An **interactive Cash Working Group dashboard** showing overall progress can be accessed [here](#). A cumulative 1.96 million people have received cash assistance through 24 Cash Working Group partners.



Core Relief Items

- To date, **625,074 people have benefitted from core relief items and food assistance across eastern, central and western Ukraine**. This includes **146,053** people who received food assistance and 24,657 who were in receipt of shelter kits.
- **UNHCR, as part of inter-agency humanitarian convoys, has reached 103,315 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 **278 reception centres and collective centres** run by the Government to increase their capacity to host internally displaced persons (IDPs). A total of **85,207 additional sleeping spaces** at these centres have so far been created.

New Report on the Profiles and Intentions of Ukrainian Refugees



UNHCR published new findings in the report '[Lives on Hold: Profiles and Intentions of Refugees from Ukraine](#)' which shows that the majority of refugees from Ukraine hope to return home as soon as possible but around **two-thirds expect to stay in**

their current host countries until hostilities subside and the security situation improves.

For the survey, UNHCR and partners interviewed some 4,900 refugees from Ukraine in the Czech Republic, Hungary, the Republic of Moldova, Poland, Romania and Slovakia between mid-May and mid-June 2022 to better understand their profiles and future intentions.

The data showed that 16 per cent were planning to return to Ukraine in the coming two months, with 15 per cent of those only planning to stay temporarily to visit family, get supplies or help relatives to evacuate. Of those seeking to return, 40 per cent were planning to do so in the next month.

KEY FIGURES - REFUGEE HOSTING COUNTRIES

385,874

people enrolled for cash assistance in Moldova, Poland, Romania and Slovakia as of 11 July

37

Blue Dots established with UNICEF in Bulgaria, Hungary, Italy, Moldova, Poland, Romania and Slovakia

HUNGARY

KEY FIGURES - HUNGARY

26,563

refugees have applied for temporary protection

16,863

people provided with protection support by UNHCR and partners, including legal information provision, counselling and psychosocial support (since 21 March)

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Blue Dot operational in Záhony

more broadly. UNHCR recently signed a partnership agreement with the Charity Service of the Order of Malta and will start working with them on establishing a Blue Dot in Beregsurany help point near the border crossing in the village. UNHCR will soon hold a training session for staff and volunteers of Hungarian Baptist Aid in preparation for setting up a Blue Dot at a Help point managed by them at the border crossing of Tiszabecs.

- UNHCR continues to monitor conditions across reception centres where refugees are arriving. **To date, 94 monitoring visits and assessments have been carried out** in order to inform planning for the provision of support. In the last week, UNHCR conducted site monitoring of seven shelters throughout the country, including official shelters designated by the authorities as well as privately and municipally operated shelters.



Protection

- UNHCR and partners Cordelia, the Hungarian Helsinki Committee (HHC), Menedék, Migration Aid and Next Step have provided **information, counselling, psychosocial support and protection referrals to 16,863 refugees** at border crossing points, help/info points and temporary shelters across the country.
- This includes **2,995 persons** provided with legal counselling and information on temporary protection by UNHCR at Záhony train station and shelters across the country as of 11 July. 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. The majority continue to be women and children.
- UNHCR now works with a number of implementing partners on a range of protection issues including legal aid, housing and shelter support, social counselling, child protection, psychological first aid, employment and skills development, GBV, mental health and psychosocial support (MHPSS) and integration



Core Relief Items

- UNHCR has distributed **4,645 hygiene kits** to people as of 11 July. During the reporting period, UNHCR distributed hygiene kits primarily at Záhony and the Záhony train station to new arrivals in addition to locations Kastelykert Panzio, Komaromi Keollegium, Kartal. In addition, UNHCR's partners the Foundation of the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church, Unity and Lexis carried out smaller distributions throughout Hungary, with 30% of distributions outside Budapest. Hygiene kits include shampoo, soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes, sanitary pads and tissues.
- Pre-positioned regional stock in warehouses in Hungary currently includes:
 - **19,800 bedding sets**
 - **11,520 blankets**
 - **7,680 hygiene Kits**
 - **2,000 tarpaulins**

KEY FIGURES - REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA

65,427

people have received multipurpose cash assistance

1,700+

refugees departed by air to Austria, France, Germany, Ireland, Latvia, Lithuania, the Netherlands, Norway, Spain and Switzerland as part of the Solidarity Platform)

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Blue Dot are now operational. Overall, 17,643 people have been counselled at the Blue Dots between 14 March and 11 July

45,774

refugees received protection information or counselling through UNHCR and partners

20,793

people received protection support via the UNHCR-managed 'Green Line' helpline



Protection

- There are currently seven Blue Dots operational in Moldova. 18,874 people received support provided by UNHCR, UNICEF and partners at the centres, with over 7,404 children identified to be in need of specialized services and referred to health, social welfare and legal assistance services. 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.
- UNHCR manages the Green Line, a free helpline (0800 800 11) to address refugees' and host communities' questions, needs and concerns. Since mid-April, 20,793 calls were received. UNHCR has supported the training of over 90 per cent of Green Line call centre staff on handling PSEA disclosures and how to report on them.
- The number of refugee accommodation centres has begun to decrease as a consequence of the reduced number of people arriving from Ukraine. There are now **71 centres accommodating some 3,000 people with an overall capacity for 6,000 people**. UNHCR has discussed how to consolidate the number of centres with the government, which may involve the immediate closure of some and the gradual closure of others.
- 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 **17,870 refugees** from Moldova as part of the EU Solidarity Platform. So far, **over 1,900 persons have transferred to European countries from Moldova. Among the transfers coordinated in the context of the Solidarity Platform, 1,738 vulnerable refugees** have transferred to Austria, France, Germany, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, the Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, Spain and Switzerland by flight. In addition, Lithuania transferred 224 persons from Moldova by bus, on a bilateral basis. UNHCR has expanded the online referral service for people who wish to avail of the programme so that persons can self-enrol or have others do it for them where they are elderly or need further assistance.
- To strengthen and promote an evidence-based protection response, UNHCR is conducting an extensive **Protection Monitoring and Profiling exercise** in partnership with the Law Centre for Advocates (LCA), INTERSOS, and REACH. The exercise – which includes regular data collection and analysis – will help humanitarian and development actors supporting refugees and affected host communities in Moldova to better understand refugees' profiles and needs and tailor their interventions accordingly. To date, **1,731 interviews** have been conducted for the purposes of the survey.
- In collaboration with the Embassy of Ukraine, UNHCR has supported printing **12,000 children's books** in Ukrainian for distribution in Blue Dots, community centres, Refugee Accommodation Centres, local schools and libraries
- **1,433 people have been trained on protection issues** across the Republic of Moldova. This includes **688 frontline partners, government and NGO staff** who have been trained on GBV safe disclosure and referral mechanisms in order to support the rollout of guidelines on referral pathways.

- UNHCR’s partner INTERSOS continues to identify people most in need of protection assistance, including those in need of Psychological First Aid (PFA) and specialized Psychosocial Support (PSS). The services are provided at the main border crossing points - Palanca, Tudora, as well as in the Palanca Bus Hub. To date, **1,616 refugees** have been provided with PSS/PSA assistance, with those presenting severe psychological symptoms being referred to specialized mental health and psychosocial support (MHPSS).



Multipurpose Cash Assistance

- **A total of 65,427 refugees** have been enrolled and issued bank cards for multipurpose cash assistance in Moldova since 25 March. Of those enrolled, **54,679** have already received a second payment and **35,479** have received a third payment. UNHCR is currently facilitating awareness raising sessions on PSEA for 50 Community Liaison Officers working on Cash Enrolment Sites across the country in coordination with Registration and Cash teams.



Core Relief Items

- Pre-positioned regional stock in warehouses in Moldova currently includes:
 - **126,674 blankets**
 - **45,012 bedding sets**
 - **20,088 solar lamps**
 - **22,000 jerry cans**
 - **15,000 mattresses**
 - **20,023 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.

POLAND

KEY FIGURES - POLAND

1,222,289

refugees have applied for temporary protection

261,797

refugees enrolled for multipurpose cash assistance as of 4 July

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Blue Dots operating with some 20,000 people supported

- Some **23,000 people** have been counselled through the Blue Dots as of 4 July, with protection teams making **13,640 interventions**. The largest number of queries and referrals were related to health and medical services, transport, financial support, 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.
- Updated GBV guidelines on referral pathways have been disseminated in **Polish, Ukrainian, Russian and English**.
- As of 11 July, **707 people have been trained** in core areas of protection, including PSEA, GBV and child protection. Those trained include UNHCR and partner staff, army border personnel, and local authorities. Training plans for government officials at sub-offices are currently being rolled out to address GBV, MHPSS, child protection and PSEA.
- UNHCR Netherlands’s High Profile Supporter Anna Drijver visited UNHCR’s cash enrolment centre and Protection Hub in Warsaw on 7 July. She participated in a women’s group on stress management and a yoga class organized at the Blue Dot, meeting with refugee women and visiting the cash enrolment centre.



Protection

- There are now **9 Blue Dots** operating in Poland, including two in Warsaw and two in Krakow. Two Blue Dots in Gdansk and Ostroda, which were planned to be scaled up, will now be used as locations to refer people to other services rather than Blue Dot protection hubs.

- As of 11 July, nearly **6,700** interviews have been carried out with refugees to better understand the demographics of people forced to flee, including their future plans, immediate needs, and issues faced during their displacement. The interviews, which were carried out with refugees across Poland, will also contribute to the broader regional analysis of population movements and the protection situation in the region.
- Legal aid services are being provided in Poznan and Krakow. Discussions are in the final stages for the ELIL/Safe Passage legal aid project with 12 different legal aid organizations and law firms for the provision of pro-bono legal aid in a number of prioritised Blue Dot protection hubs.
- **168 trucks** with goods have now arrived in the Polish operation's Grabica warehouse. Over the past two weeks, **over 30 40-foot trucks** have left the warehouse to deliver goods in locations including Białystok, Katowice, Kraków, Poznań, Rzeszów, Tarnobrzeg, Warszawa and Wrocław. They contain a range of items such as bed linen, blankets, hygiene kits, towels and diapers for use at reception and accommodation centres, where they are distributed by the respective Municipalities.



Multipurpose Cash Assistance

- As of 11 July, **261,797 refugees** have been enrolled for multipurpose cash assistance, 71 per cent of whom are women. UNHCR's multipurpose cash assistance programme collects basic information on specific needs and makes referrals to the Blue Dots or related services where required.



Core Relief Items

- Pre-positioned regional stock in warehouses in Poland currently includes:
 - **84,160** bedding sets
 - **90,800** blankets
 - **79,537** hygiene kits
 - **87,571** mattresses
 - **17,912** quilts
- **220 trucks** have travelled from the logistics hub in Rzeszów, Poland, to Ukraine as of 4 July to dispatch hundreds of thousands of core relief items to warehouses for distribution to IDPs in need.

ROMANIA

KEY FIGURES - ROMANIA

45,530

refugees registered for temporary protection

9,673

refugees enrolled for cash assistance as of 11 July

26,202

refugees provided with information and counselling in person or over the phone

12

Blue Dots operating in Romania

11,483

people supported to travel to Romania from Moldova



Protection

- UNHCR continues to provide **protection information and counselling** in person as well as through hotlines. As of 11 July, **26,202 people** have received protection support, advice, referrals and information in person or remotely through helplines. This includes **14,996 people** who were supported in person and **11,206 people** who received support through helplines.
- UNHCR convened the first **Livelihoods and Economic Inclusion working** group meeting on 7 July. 91 people attended from over 30 organizations, including employers, international finance organizations, UN agencies, government employment services, the Ministry of Education and a range of national and international NGOs. Participants highlighted the need to standardize approaches for language courses and provide greater support for childcare, employment, entrepreneurship, skills development and assessments and data. It is expected that the working group will meet regularly and look at ways to support the national action plan for refugees.

- UNHCR met with representatives from IKEA on 6 of July to discuss job opportunities for refugees at the new IKEA store in Timisoara, which is planned to be opened at the beginning of 2023. Approximately 300 vacancies will be available for refugees and migrants. A referral mechanism will be developed and agreed by UNHCR with the Romanian National Council for Refugees (CNRR), UNHCR's partner in Timisoara, with support also given to IKEA staff at the new store.
- There are **12 Blue Dots** operating in Romania, including four in Bucharest and one each in Iasi, Sighet, Siret and Suceava. An estimated **40,000 people** have been assisted as of 7 July across all safe hubs.
- At the end of June, the Government of Romania approved a **National Plan for the protection and inclusion of refugees from Ukraine** in the country. UNHCR, which welcomed the [National Plan in a press release](#), is now working with international and Romanian partners to support its implementation. The National Plan covers a wide range of essential areas such as child protection, access to health care, education and housing and inclusion in the national labour market.
- UNHCR and its partner the 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.
- UNHCR and IOM continue to jointly facilitate **fast-track transfers from Palanca border crossing** point with Ukraine in Moldova, to Huși, Romania. As of 10 July, **11,483 people** had been transported to Romania through this mechanism.



Multipurpose Cash Assistance

9,673 persons have been enrolled to receive multipurpose cash assistance as of 11 July, of whom over 90 per cent are women and children. Cash has been transferred to **7,601 refugees**. The programme continues to be scaled up, with the goal of reaching 80,000 people overall. In addition to five existing enrolment centres in Brasov, Bucharest, Galati, Iasi and Suceava, UNHCR plans to open either an additional enrolment site or deploy a mobile enrolment team in Constanta.



Core Relief Items

- Pre-positioned regional stock in warehouses in Romania currently includes:
 - **47,148** quilts
 - **67,984** blankets
 - **53,013** mattresses
 - **115,591** bedding sets
 - **9,739** solar lamps
 - **55,880** hygiene kits
 - **5,704** tarpaulins
 - **4,157** kitchen sets
 - **5,704** tents
- UNHCR and partners continue to assess reception centres in order to prepare additional support to enhance reception capacities. To date, 115 locations have been assessed by UNHCR partner REACH during ongoing site monitoring activities.

KEY FIGURES - SLOVAKIA

84,779

refugees registered for temporary protection

48,977

refugees enrolled for cash assistance as of 11 July from an enrolment target of **57,500 people**

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Blue Dots operating in Slovakia



Protection

- Four containers were installed at Kosice Train station on 7 July, which UNICEF will use as a child friendly and family space for a Blue Dot that is planned for the location. There are already 21 containers in place that are in use by UN agencies (including UNHCR) and NGOs at the train station. Two of these containers are in use for temporary accommodation – if and when necessary.
- UNHCR and its two implementing partners SHC and Mareena continued protection monitoring at border crossing points and at registration centres, including the Ubl'a, Veľké Slemence, and Vyšné Nemecké BCPs, at Košice railway station, and at registration centres in Humenne and Michalovce. UNHCR partners are present at all these locations to provide assistance and information on legal status, temporary protection, transportation, temporary shelters or long-term accommodation, employment and access to medical services, as well as to identify vulnerable refugees and refer them to relevant services. UNHCR staff carry out field monitoring visits to identify issues and provide support to the partner staff as appropriate.

- A child protection training took place in Bratislava on 7 July. Among the 26 participants were staff from REACH, People in Need, SHC and Mareena. This training session addressed the topic of child protection in general, and the role of partner staff in identifying and safely referring children at risk as part of the protection profiling exercise that has been integrated in all UNHCR programmatic activities.
- UNHCR and UNICEF continue to operate a **hotline for refugees**, which is staffed by operators who have received guidance on dealing with sensitive issues such as sexual exploitation and abuse. Although it aims to respond to questions regarding issues such as cash assistance and protection concerns, it also identifies cases that require further action by both organizations. **2,984 calls** have been received since 15 June, when it first launched.
- There are currently two Blue Dots operating in Slovakia. **From 4-8 July, 2,258 people were provided with assistance in Bratislava's Bottova centre, out of which 1,661 were adults and 597 were children. At the newer centre in Michalovce, 507 people were assisted**, the majority of whom were guided on the temporary protection process and access to services such as health, education, and accommodation.
- UNHCR, in collaboration with the Ukrainian NGO Gender Stream and SHL, organized a Diversity Alliance Building and Safe Referral Pathways Workshop on 12 July with a view to **building national capacity for leveraging the inclusion of refugees with diverse sexual orientation, gender identity and expression and sex characteristics (SOGIESC)**. The workshop is a milestone in the process of building alliances and safe referral pathways in areas of health care, including access to gender-affirming hormone replacement treatment, education, employment and accommodation. Twenty-five participants attended representing Slovak civil society and partners and public service providers.



Multipurpose Cash Assistance

- Enrolment is ongoing at five registration centres across the country. As of 11 July, **48,977 people** have been enrolled.

COORDINATION

Ukraine

UNHCR leads the Protection and Shelter Clusters as well as the Camp Coordination Camp Management (CCCM) Cluster which was activated as of 1 March in Ukraine. In addition, as co-lead of the Logistics Working Group in Ukraine, 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 intended 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-

Blue Dots

UNHCR and UNICEF are jointly establishing 'Blue Dots' in multiple countries receiving refugees fleeing Ukraine. To date, a total of 38 are already operational including in:

Bulgaria	5	Moldova	7	Slovakia	2
Hungary	1	Poland	9		
Italy	2	Romania	12		

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.

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

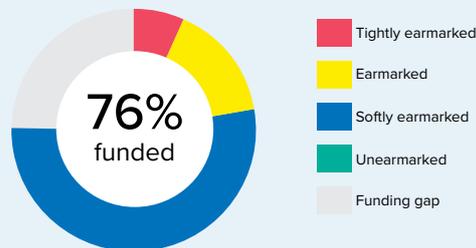
Children playing at the UNHCR-UNICEF Blue Dot in Warsaw, Poland, May, 2022 © UNHCR/Maciej Moskwa

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 Updates (as of 5 July 2022)

\$ 1.247 billion
required (USD)

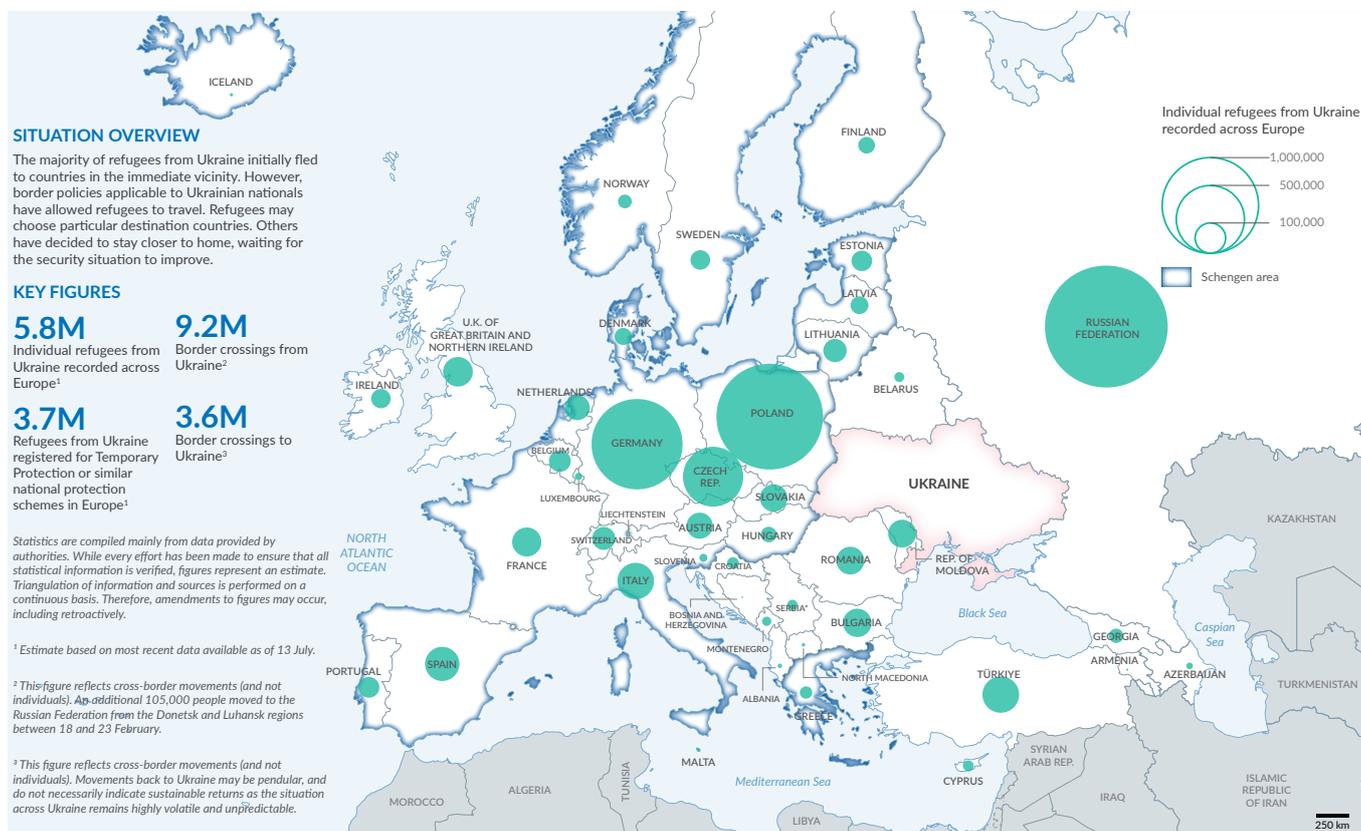


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Refugees from Ukraine across Europe (as of 13 July 2022)



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