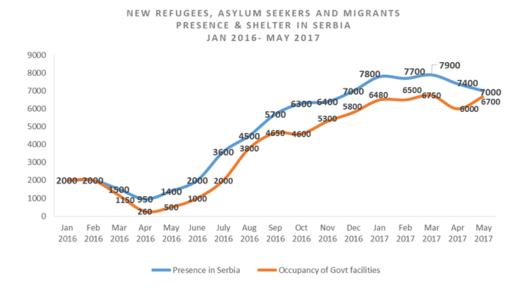


SERBIA UPDATE, 08-14 May 2017

HIGHLIGHTS AND STATISTICS

- 7,020 refugees, asylum-seekers and migrants were counted in Serbia on 14 May. During the week UNHCR
 and partners met and assisted only 30 new arrivals. For the first time this year, these did not include a single
 unaccompanied or separated child (UASC).
- With the support of UNHCR partners and other NGOs, the Serbian Commissioner for Refugees and Migration (SCRM) voluntarily relocated over 830 refugees and migrant men and boys (inclusive of at least 163 UASC) from Belgrade city centre to governmental shelters. As a result the overall percentage of those accommodated in governmental shelters grew to 95%.
- The SCRM also transferred some 130 single men from Transit Centre (TC) Sid to Principovac and Adasevci TCs. Occupancy of TC Sid was thus reduced to 200 (compared to over 500 in April) and its two rub-halls could finally be closed. Long-resident refugee/migrant families in Adasevci TC, however, raised concerns about a renewed overcrowding and security concerns due to many single migrant men having been transferred into its rub-halls from TC Sid and Belgrade city centre.
- The number of UASC accommodated in governmental shelters increased to 1,027, comprising 16% of the total number of refugees/migrants/asylum-seekers in governmental shelters. Most UASC are accommodated in Obrenovac TC (374), Krnjaca AC (192), Sjenica AC (86) or Presevo RC (64).
- UNHCR received reports of 64 collective expulsions from Croatia, with some testifying to disproportionate use
 of force, 28 from Hungary, and three from Romania.
- 01-14 May, 233 individuals registered intention to seek asylum in Serbia. The Asylum Office still did not recognize any refugee or subsidiary status since the beginning of this year (during the first four months of last year it had recognized 16) but issued one negative decision.
- UNHCR HQ published a report <u>Missing Out: Refugee Education in Crisis</u>, on problems in accessing schooling amongst the world's six million refugee children, relevant also in the context of the current situation in Serbia.





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EAST

499 refugees and migrants were accommodated in four Reception Centres: 209 in Pirot, 188 in Divljana, 61 in Dimitrovgrad and 41 in Bosilegrad. Most are from Iraq, followed by Afghanistan and Syria and around half are children.

SOUTH

794 refugees, asylum-seekers and migrants were accommodated in the Reception Centres of Presevo (658) and Bujanovac (134).

55% of the residents of Presevo RC are from Afghanistan, 29% from Iraq, 8% from Pakistan and 6% from Syria. 48% are children. In Bujanovac, which continues to accommodate only families with children and UASCs, 32% are from Iraq, 30% Afghanistan, 23% from Syria and 14% from Iran. 58% are children.



Relocations from Belgrade city to government shelters, Belgrade (Serbia) UNHCR 07 May 2017

BELGRADE

As a result of voluntary relocations to governmental shelters, the number of refugees and migrants in Belgrade city centre shrank from 1,200 to an estimated 300.

Krnjaca Asylum Centre accommodated 945 asylum-seekers, mainly families from Afghanistan, Iraq or Syria, and 1,351 refugees and migrants (including 374 unaccompanied or separated boys) were sheltered in Obrenovac. Most are from Afghanistan, followed by Pakistan and very few from Iraq or Syria, and other countries.

WEST

Transit Centres (TCs) in the West sheltered **1,597** refugees and migrants: 1,054 in Adasevci, 207 in Sid and 336 in Principovac. They are mainly from Afghanistan, followed by Pakistan, Iraq, and Syria.

NORTH

52 asylum seekers, mainly families from Afghanistan, Iraq and Syria were admitted into Hungary. Only ten asylum seekers camped at Horgos (9) and Kelebija (1) border sites. Subotica TC sheltered 133 asylum-seekers, Sombor TC 290, and Kikinda TC 261, mostly families from Afghanistan, Iraq and Syria.



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