Context
- Following the recognition of Luhansk and Donetsk as independent states by the President of Russia, Vladimir Putin on 21 February 2022 and Ukraine’s declaration of a general state of emergency the next day, Russia launched military operations in Ukraine. The ongoing conflict has resulted in mass displacement of people internally and across international borders. As of 16 August 2022, a total of 11,150,639 people have arrived from Ukraine in one of the following countries: Poland, Hungary, Republic of Moldova, Slovakia, Romania, Russian Federation, Belarus, and other European countries. Based on data collected by UNHCR, the number of refugees who crossed into Romania (not including from Moldova) is reported at 1,044,292 as of 15 August 2022. Most refugees are female Ukrainian nationals, generally travelling with elderly relatives or minors. In addition, movements of refugees returning to Ukraine have been observed from all neighbouring countries – including Romania – with KIs showing that a fifth of respondents only intended to return temporarily.
- REACH will conduct site monitoring assessment to gain knowledge on refugee location, the needs of the sites hosting them, and the assistance these sites have already received to support the refugees living there, in order to inform and guide future Refugee Response programming.

Methodology
- The main objectives of this assessment are to provide a situation overview of the location of current refugee accommodation sites where refugees stay, and to provide an understanding of what infrastructure, services and first necessity products are needed in these sites, as well as the assistance already received to identify priority needs.
- The scope of this assessment includes refugee accommodation sites across 32-41 counties in Romania. Data collection is conducted in the form of a structured questionnaire to interview one key informant (KIs) from each of the sampled centres. Through the data collection cycle, 180 interviews were conducted from 17 May to 18 August. The findings in this map are only indicative of these 180 sites surveyed in that time frame. In Alba, Arad, Bistrita Năsăud, Botoșani, Harghita, Neamț, Timiș, Tulcea and Vrancea, only one site was surveyed in the region at this time.
- The list of official sites was shared with REACH by the Romanian government (Departamental pentru Situatii de Urgenta (i.e. Emergency Situations Office) through UNHCR and includes the names and contact details of the site focal point or manager, who are the KIs.
- For the baseline of the assessment, data is collected through a mix of in person visits and phone surveys. Enumerators arrange visits/calls with the site focal point or manager, who are the KIs.

% of sites where children study online at a Ukrainian school

0% 1% - 50% 51% - 99% Not assessed

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