BELARUS PROTECTION PROFILING & MONITORING FACT SHEET

Protection Risks and Needs of Refugees from Ukraine

Data as of **Monday, October 16, 2023**

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To strengthen and promote an evidence-based protection response, UNHCR and its partner in Belarus have been implementing a Protection Profiling and Monitoring exercise to regularly collect and analyze data about the profiles, protection risks and needs of refugees from Ukraine and monitor changes over time. This fact sheet, automatically extracted from the regional dashboard, presents the main findings based on **649** interviews conducted between **April and September 2023.**

# of respondents

649

# of household members

1,632

Sample by country

Methodology

Individual interviews are carried out in different locations, including border and transit locations, reception and transit centres, collective sites, assistance points and community centers. Trained enumerators digitally collect the data through Kobo Toolbox, which is safely stored in UNHCR server.

While respondents are randomly selected to reduce bias, non-probability sampling is used and results cannot necessarily be extrapolated to the population of refugees from Ukraine as a whole.

KEY FINDINGS

Nationality

98%

of respondents were Ukrainian nationals

Gender

76%

of respondents were females

Age

53

average age of the respondent

Household size

2.3

average size of the household

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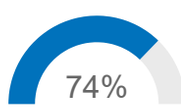
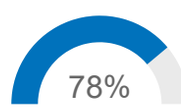
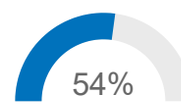


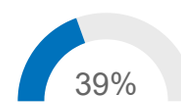
of household members are women and children



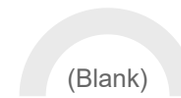
of respondents have completed higher education or university



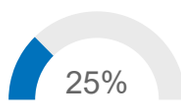
of respondents were employed or self-employed before leaving Ukraine



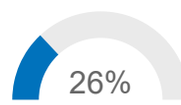
of respondents currently employed in the host country, remote or self-employed



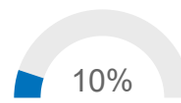
of respondents applied for Temporary Protection (or similar schemes) in the host country



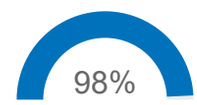
of households with school-aged children (5-17) reported at least one child not registered for education in host country



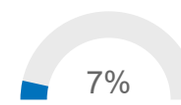
of respondents with infants (0-4) are not able to access childcare services in the host country



of respondents experienced difficulties accessing healthcare system in the host country when needed



of respondents with at least one urgent need such as material assistance, food, employment etc.



of respondents temporarily visited Ukraine at least once since their initial displacement

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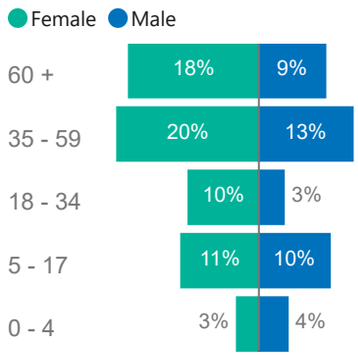
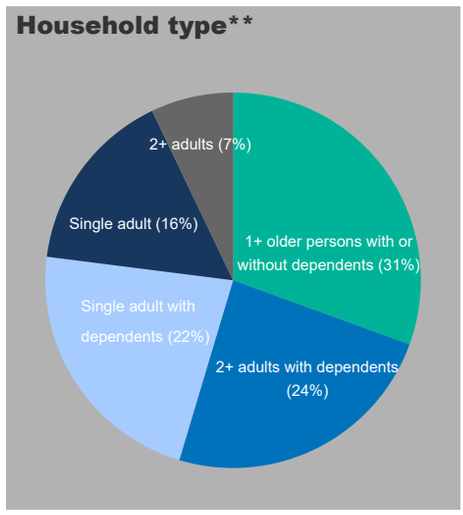
HOUSEHOLD CHARACTERISTICS

Household members by age group and gender**



Note: including the respondent

Household type**



Separated children

4 %

of households indicated having children who are separated from both parents

Specific needs

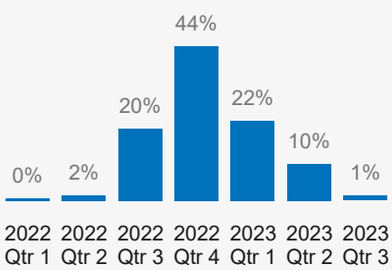
32 %

of households indicated having at least one family with specific needs such as disabilities or serious medical conditions

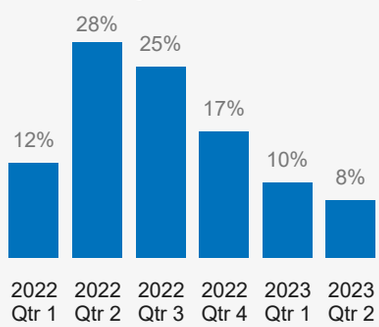
Note: disability includes difficulties walking, seeing, hearing, remembering, communicating or self-care

RESPONDENT PROFILE

Date of departure from Ukraine**

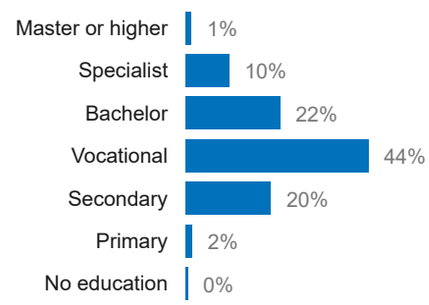


Date of arrival to the current host country**

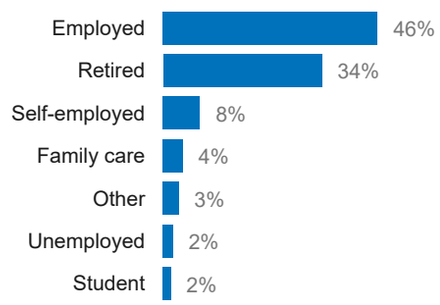


Note: Q1 includes Feb 24th - March 31st 2022

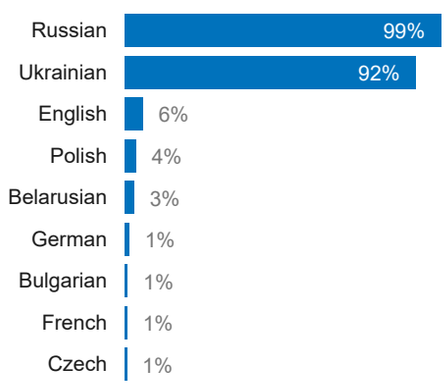
Education level**



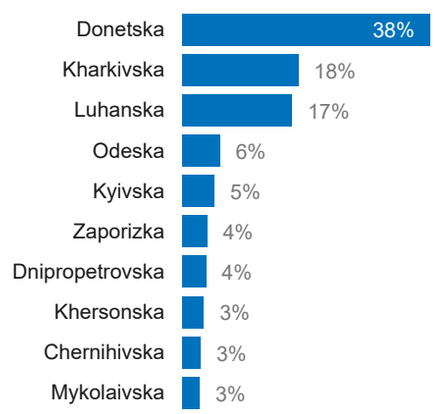
Main activity in Ukraine**



Top languages spoken*



Top oblasts of origin**



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PLACE OF ORIGIN

Respondents by oblast of origin

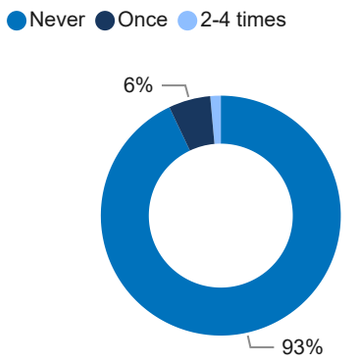
TEMPORARY VISIT TO UKRAINE

Plans of temporary visit

2 %

of respondents are planning a temporary visit to Ukraine in the next 3 months

Number of times visited Ukraine

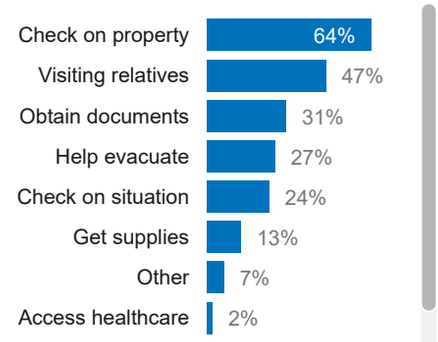


Temporary visit

7 %

of respondents visited Ukraine at least once since their initial departure

Main reasons for temporary visit



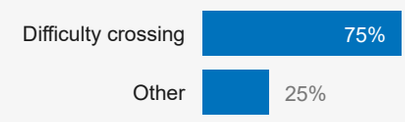
Note: out of those who indicated visiting Ukraine at least once

Difficulties returning to host country

9 %

of respondents faced issues returning to their current host country

Difficulties faced when returning from Ukraine



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LEGAL STATUS & DOCUMENTATION

Temporary Protection

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of respondents have applied for Temporary Protection in the host country

Top reasons for not applying**

Application status

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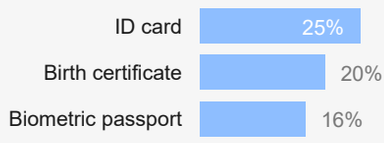
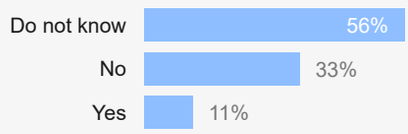
of respondents who applied for Temporary Protection have received a positive decision

Top application challenges*

Top missing documents*



Ability to replace documents in the host country**



Households with school-aged children

31 %

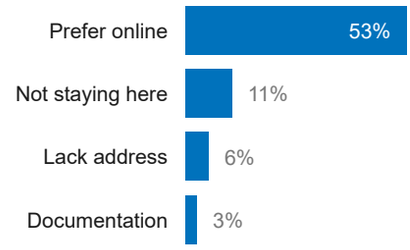
of households include children between 5 to 17 years old

Children education

25 %

of households with school-aged children reported at least one child **not registered** for education in host country

Main reasons not enrolled in host country*



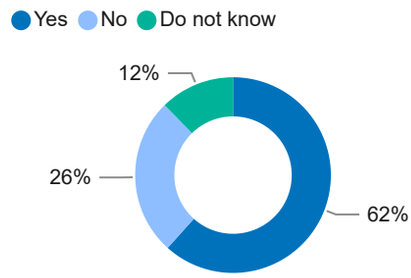
Note: out of those who indicated at least one child not attending school in host country

Households with infants

14 %

of households include infants between 0 to 4 years old

Access to childcare for families with infants (0 - 4)**

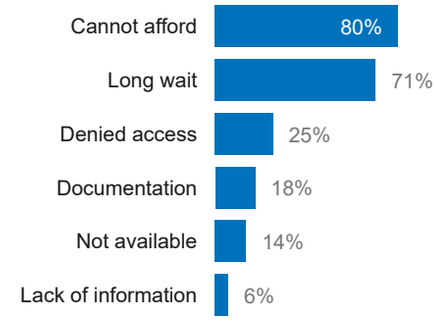


Access to healthcare

10 %

of respondents in need of healthcare **experienced difficulties**

Main difficulties accessing healthcare system*



Note: out of those who indicated experiencing difficulties accessing healthcare

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Urgent needs

98 %

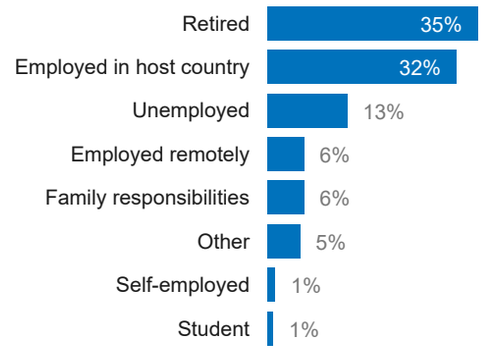
of respondents have at least one urgent need

Preferred modality of assitance

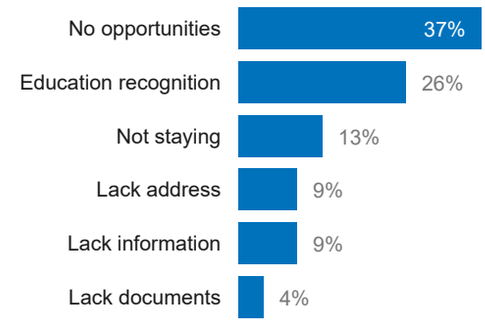
88 %

of those who have urgent needs prefer to receive support as cash

Current main activity**

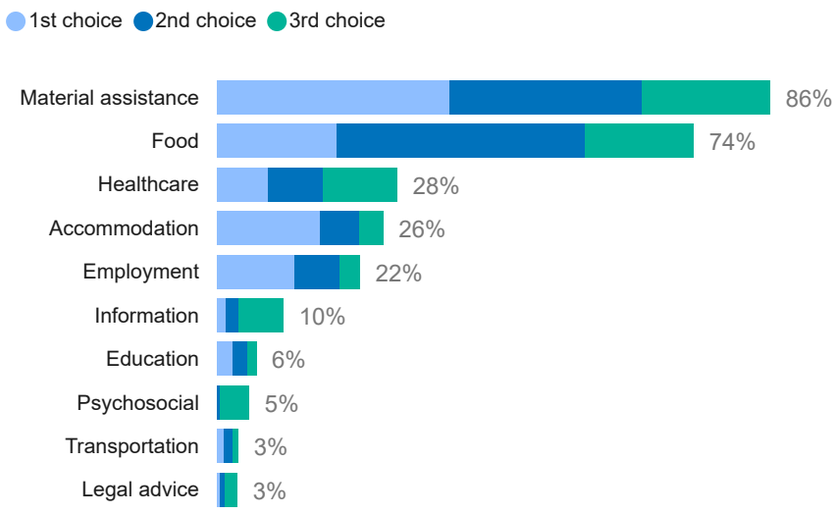


Main reasons of unemployment*

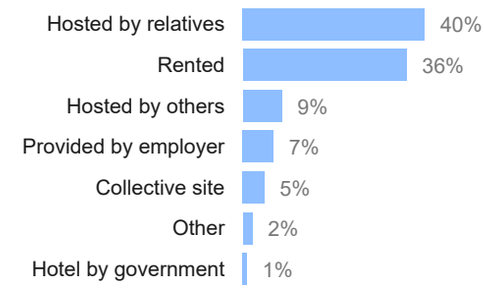


Note: out of those who indicated being unemployed

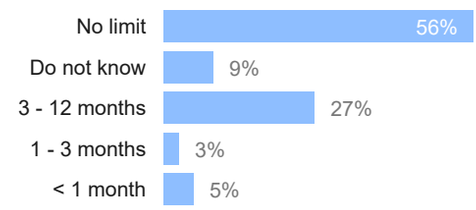
Top 10 urgent needs*



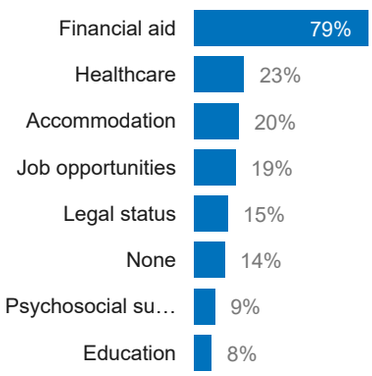
Current accommodation**



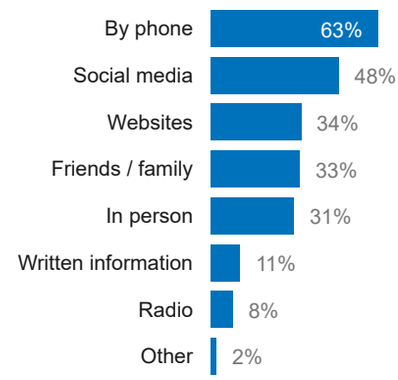
Accommodation: Length of stay**



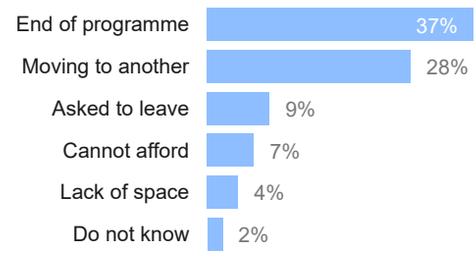
Information needs*



Preferred information channel*



Main reasons for having to leave accommodation within 3 months*



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