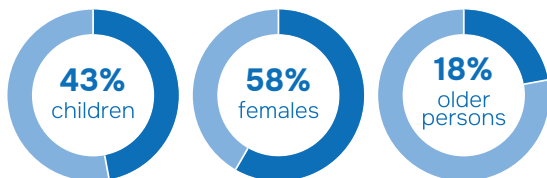


## Population figures

~122,600 refugees from Ukraine in Moldova:



~ 1.6 M arrivals since 24 February 2022

## Legal status in the country

~ 52,000 refugees have been granted Temporary Protection.

~ 7,000 citizens of Ukraine have been granted resident permits, either permanent or temporary.

~ 2,480 individuals are in the asylum system:

207 persons with refugee status	422 humanitarian protection beneficiaries	1,851 asylum seekers under examination
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~ 47,500

refugees received  
cash assistance



~ 15,000

refugees supported  
with legal assistance



~ 22,600

refugees provided  
with information by  
UNHCR



~ 700

frontline responders  
trained on core  
protection principles

\*Figures as of 30 June 2024

## Highlights of the month

### Humanitarian-Development-Peace Nexus

UNHCR actively participated in a workshop co-hosted by the European Commission's institutes, including ECHO, in Chişinău. Discussions by key organizations like WFP, INTERSOS, WHO, UNICEF, and People-In-Need honed in on enhancing cash assistance and social protection, health, and education. The workshop's goal was to harmonize humanitarian aid and development funding, explore transition pathways, and strengthen Moldova's efforts in refugee inclusion and the most vulnerable communities.

### Enhancing two-way communication in humanitarian setting

UNHCR and Internews have launched the second edition of the Information Ecosystem Assessment in Moldova. This study offers comparative insights by providing two snapshots of Moldova's information dynamics of refugees and host population, which are instrumental in refining communication, feedback, and complaint mechanisms. The findings of the report were presented at a roundtable with humanitarian organizations, refugees, and media, highlighting the need of increased participation of the media, conduct further awareness campaign to address misinformation, and continue increasing transparency to build trust.



On June 20th, to commemorate [World Refugee Day](#), the Prime Minister of the Republic of Moldova visited a child-friendly space in Ştefan Vodă, with support from UNHCR and the partner organization AVE COPIII. During the visit, Prime Minister Recean interacted with Ukrainian children and their parents. UNHCR, along with partners and in coordination with the government, commemorated World Refugee Day with over 40 events across Moldova.



**Each effort to support refugees, each policy that promotes inclusion, and each community that opens its arms makes a profound difference.**

**Valentina Nafornița**, soprano and a high profile supporter of UNHCR



## Refugee financial inclusion discussion

Leveraging the World Bank's Global Concessional Financing Facility meeting in Chişinău, UNHCR brought together a diverse group of stakeholders, including the International Finance Corporation, the National Bank of Moldova, MAIB—Moldova's premier commercial bank, the National Congress of Ukrainians of Moldova, and prominent donors such as the US Bureau of Population, Refugees and Migration. The gathering aimed to reflect on the achievements made and challenges faced in advancing refugee financial inclusion within Moldova, while also showcasing exemplary practices from across Europe and the world that could be followed. Marking a first in its kind, this assembly brought together financial service providers, regulatory authorities, development agencies, refugees, benefactors, and UNHCR in a collaborative effort to bridge gaps and push for more space for refugee financial inclusion.

## Moldovan Universities join global efforts for refugee protection

The Nicolae Testemiţanu State University of Medicine and Pharmacy and the State Pedagogical University of Chişinău through the the Sergio Vieira de Mello Academic Chair, have joined a global network of universities dedicated to supporting refugee protection and inclusion through research and education. De Mello Chairs are academic partners that engage in research, teaching, and community outreach to address forced displacement. They partner with UNHCR through a Memorandum of Understanding that outlines collaboration on priorities such as student and government training, information sharing, visibility strategies, and service provision, including legal aid, documentation, mental health support, and language courses.

## Chişinău join the "Cities of Solidarity" initiative in support of refugees

UNHCR signed a Memorandum of Cooperation with the Municipality of Chişinău, focusing on implementing the Cities of Solidarity initiative. This collaboration strengthens local communities, authorities, and civil society organizations in responding to the refugee situation. It opens more opportunities for coordination, and refugee inclusion. Chişinău, the capital of the Republic of Moldova, hosts more than 18,000 refugees from Ukraine underscoring the city's critical role in the refugee response. UNHCR has already established similar agreements with other key cities, such as Ungheni, which borders Romania, and Otaci, a major border city with Ukraine, thereby creating a network of solidarity and support for refugees and vulnerable population across the country.



A Ukrainian family in a moment of solace at the "Day in the Park" activity in Alunelul Park, Chişinău. Held on June 16, this event offered recreational activities provided by refugees and the Moldova Refugee Coordination Forum partners for the community as part of World Refugee Day commemoration.

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