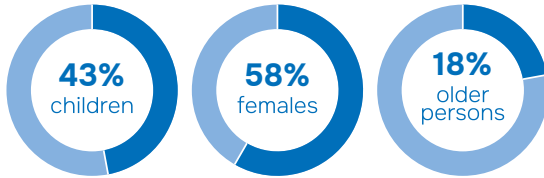


Population figures

~124,500 refugees from Ukraine in Moldova:



~ 1.8 M arrivals since 24 February 2022

Legal status in the country

~ 57,600 refugees have been granted Temporary Protection.

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

~ 3,000 individuals are in the asylum system:

207 persons with refugee status	431 humanitarian protection beneficiaries	2,423 asylum seekers under examination
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~ 50,200

refugees received
cash assistance



~ 20,000

refugees supported
with legal assistance



~ 28,000

refugees provided
with information by
UNHCR



~ 800

frontline responders
trained on core
protection principles

*Figures as of 31 August 2024

Highlights of the month



With focused determination, a young Roma refugee from Ukraine immerses himself in learning the Romanian language, in the classes managed by the Roma-led organization Tarna Rom with the support of UNHCR. Roma refugee children face significant challenges such as language barriers and a lack of needed documents for enrolling on public schools.

Improving support for refugee children with disabilities and enhancing participatory approaches in humanitarian response

In coordination with UNICEF, UNHCR has developed vital informational material for parents of children with disabilities, outlining the essential services available to refugee children in Moldova who have obtained a disability determination certificate. This initiative is crucial in ensuring that parents are well-informed and able to access the critical support their children need. A session was also held with refugee leaders to gather valuable feedback on UNHCR's Participatory Assessment methodology, identifying key topics and target populations to refine the tools. Building on this, a workshop was organized with UNHCR and the Accountability to Affected Populations (AAP) partners to discuss the scope and methodology of the 2024 Participatory Assessment. The workshop served as a platform for over 25 participants from more than 15 organizations, fostering collaboration and securing commitments from partners who will actively contribute to this important exercise. This coordinated effort is instrumental in ensuring that the voices of refugees are effectively integrated into the planning and implementation of humanitarian responses in 2024.



I like when my teacher gives me a sticker when I write the words right!

Sameer, 8 year old Roma refugee from Ukraine



Strengthening GBV response and risk mitigation for refugee support in Moldova

In collaboration with the Ministry of Labour and Social Protection (MLSP), UNHCR trained 80 government staff, including Gender-Based Violence (GBV) specialists and managers of Refugee Accommodation Centres (RACs), on coordinating safe referrals for GBV disclosures. The participants, working in various regions of the Republic of Moldova, provided direct support to refugee survivors of GBV in accessing essential services. The training, jointly designed with MLSP, addressed needs and gaps identified during case referrals in the RACs' consolidation process. Additionally, UNHCR Moldova designed a training package on the GBV Safety Walk, based on UNHCR's Global GBV Safety Audit toolkit. The package includes presentations, handouts, and case studies. Utilizing this package, the GBV Sub-Working Group, co-chaired by UNHCR and UNFPA, trained 23 individuals—including representatives from local and international organizations and government staff—on GBV risk mitigation and conducting GBV safety walks.

Enhancing preparedness: contingency planning workshop for the refugee response in Moldova

UNHCR hosted an independent global evaluation of UNHCR's approach to Gender-Based Violence (GBV) prevention, risk mitigation, and response. As part of the evaluation, Moldova served as a country case study, facilitating interactions between the evaluation team and local stakeholders. These stakeholders included local partners, government representatives, UN agencies, and international actors involved in GBV response. Additionally, the evaluation team conducted site visits to partners' facilities and field locations, including a Refugee Accommodation Centre, a Community Services Centre, and a Cash Enrollment Centre. The evaluation aims to enhance GBV prevention and response strategies.

Optimizing Refugee Response: Coordination and Local Insights from Community Consultations

UNHCR held four local consultation workshops for Refugee Response Plan (RRP) partners in Cahul, Comrat, Tiraspol, and Ungheni. These consultations were attended by local public authorities, social workers, local civil society organizations (CSOs), refugees, host communities, international NGOs (INGOs), and members of the UN system. The discussions gathered participants' insights on the challenges hindering refugee integration into host communities and the access to services for both refugees and local populations, including ethnic minorities, across four key areas: Social Protection, Education, Health, and Livelihoods and Employment.



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UNHCR has supported the B.P. Hasdeu Municipal Library and their branches in Chişinău with 600 Ukrainian language books for children. In response to the growing need for Ukrainian literature among refugee children, these books will provide young Ukrainians with access to stories in their native language, helping them feel more at home within their new communities.

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