Ukraine refugee situation

10.3 million Border crossings from Ukraine since February 24 2022
Source: UNHCR as of August 03 2022

2.25 million Children in need in refugee hosting countries
Source: UNICEF HAC as of April 12 2022

3.8 million Refugees from Ukraine registered for Temporary Protection or similar national protection schemes in Europe
Source: UNHCR as of August 03 2022

13 countries Covered under UNICEF’s response in Europe as of July 20 2022
*The 13 countries are Belarus, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Croatia, Greece, Hungary, Italy, Moldova, Poland, Romania, Serbia, Slovak Republic and Turkey.

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US$ 90.4 M in neighbouring countries and countries of secondary movement.

Key areas of intervention of the signed implementing partnerships per neighbouring country*

Countries covered under UNICEF response

Poland
- 5,105,850
- 1,256,568

Czech Republic*
- 400,559
- 400,402

Slovakia
- 648,512
- 86,834

Hungary
- 1,089,277
- 27,657

Croatia*
- 21,334
- 15,379

Italy*
- 157,309
- 148,676

Montenegro*
- 9,496
- 5,552

Serbia*
- 13,482
- 810

Bulgaria*
- 532,470
- 85,483

Belarus
- 16,683
- 10,857

Moldova
- 555,930
- 88,018

Romania
- 953,086
- 50,587

ECARO (Multi country)
- 63,405
- 16,804

Key areas of intervention

Health
- Czech Republic
- Moldova
- Poland
- ECARO (Multi country)
- Romania
- Slovakia

Child Protection
- Belarus
- Bulgaria
- Czech Republic
- Hungary
- Moldova
- Poland
- ECARO (Multi country)
- Romania
- Slovakia

Early Childhood Development (ECD)
- Bulgaria
- Czech Republic
- Moldova
- Poland
- ECARO (Multi country)
- Romania
- Slovakia

Social Protection (Cash)
- Moldova
- Poland
- Slovakia

WASH
- Bulgaria
- Moldova
- Romania

ADAP
- Bulgaria
- Moldova
- ECARO (Multi country)
- Poland
- Romania

Education
- Czech Republic
- Moldova
- Poland
- Romania
- Slovakia

Signed partnerships - Regional budget distribution

ECARO and other countries 12%
Slovak Republic 11%
Czech Republic 3%
Hungary 2%
Romania 5%
Belgium 5%
Poland 62%

As of Wednesday, 03 August 2022, UNICEF had signed Implementing Partnerships with Government & CSOs at the amount of

Partners

CSO Partnerships US$ 30.3 M (33%)
Government Partnerships US$ 63.2 M (67%)

UKRAINE
Belarus
Poland
Slovakia
Hungary
Czech Republic
Moldova
Romania
ECARO (Multi country)
Bulgaria

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*Countries of secondary movement figures are approximative estimates provided by UNHCR and/or their Governments. The figures related to individual refugees from Ukraine recorded across Europe, and Refugees registered for national protection schemes in countries of secondary movement might present different cutoff dates and sources (UNHCR and/or Government). The map does not reflect a position by UNICEF on the legal status of any country or territory or the delimitation of any frontiers.

*not including non-binding MoUs
**Funding**

**UNICEF Appeal 2022**

US$ 324.7 M

**Funding data as of July 26 2022**

- **Funds received**
  - US$ 266.4 M

- **Funding gap**
  - US$ 58 M

**Human Resources**

- **252** UNICEF staff supporting the refugee response

**Scaling-up UNICEF capacity for the response - New recruitments**

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**Total: 76 new staff members already recruited (approved).**

**Blue Dots**

- **Established**
  - **40** Bulgaria, Italy, Moldova, Poland, Romania.

- **Planned**
  - **11** Czech Republic, Moldova, Poland, Romania.

Blue Dots are established jointly by UNICEF and UNHCR in collaboration with local authorities and partners. They provide safe spaces in Ukraine’s neighboring countries enabling access to cross sectoral services for children and families, identification, registration and connect to protection services for children traveling on their own. They also offer referral services for women, including for support on gender-based violence.

*UNHCR-UNICEF operated Blue Dots, including 7 Blue Dots operated by UNHCR.*

**Map notes:**

- The geolocation of the planned Blue Dots is only indicative and does not reflect their exact final location.
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Regional Approach

Working with municipalities is the cornerstone of UNICEF response in the region. It supports access and expands existing services for a more inclusive and sustainable response in the long-term. UNICEF also participates in many inter-agency coordination mechanisms avoiding duplication, enabling efficiencies, and triggering greater impact. UNICEF builds the foundations for policy, engagement, advice to support national governments strengthening national systems and capacities to protect refugee children, help them learn, and play. Civil society partners complement these services providing immediate relief and support, and enables children to grow with minimum disruptions.

UNICEF engages in misinformation tracking and management and promotes positive messages around refugees, strengthening social cohesion and providing life-saving information on services and how to access them. Underpinning this regional response is the attention to mainstreaming and integrating a gender equality and empowerment lens to programming, advocacy, and outreach.

Spotlight - Early Childhood Development (ECD)

To ensure young children’s (0-6 years) physical, cognitive, and social-emotional development is unhindered despite conflict and forced displacement, UNICEF has partnered with municipalities and civil society organizations to establish 60 play and learning hubs across four countries (Poland, Moldova, Romania, and Slovakia), hosting the largest number of Ukrainian refugees. Play and learning hubs/centers serve three urgent needs – 1) provide young children with play, early learning, socialization and development opportunities; 2) establish a sense of routine, stability, and normalcy where mothers can leave their young children while they look for work; 3) serve as parenting support centers, where practical tips and info are shared with mothers. An additional 35 play and learning hubs will be operational in August across Poland, Moldova, Romania, Slovakia, and Bulgaria.

In Poland, where more than 30 hubs are running across the country, over 6,000 young children have benefited so far from opportunities for play and learning. Additionally, UNICEF is supporting local governments with expanding the spaces available in public nurseries and kindergartens. In Warsaw alone nearly 60 KGs have received additional materials and play equipment to support new spaces for refugee families. Over 8,000 children are benefiting from early learning materials.

To support Ukrainian mothers and primary caregivers’ in continuing to provide the best care for their young children, UNICEF adapted and translated the Bebbo application, a free mobile app, now available in Ukrainian and Russian. Currently benefiting over 32,500 Ukrainian caregivers across Europe, including all host countries, and Ukraine, this app provides parents of all young children (0-6 years) with customized parenting advice and support for early development, including vaccination and child development tracking, as well as support for mothers’ own wellbeing.

To build the capacity among professionals working with young children on providing psychosocial support to young children experiencing conflict and forced displacement, UNICEF along with its partner, International Step by Step Association, trained nearly 70 master trainers across 6 countries (Bulgaria, Moldova, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, and Ukraine) on trauma-informed interventions and psychological first aid. These master trainers appointed by different government ministries and NGO partners, will further train early childhood educators and pre-school teachers to create inclusive learning environments and to extend psychosocial support to young children impacted by war.

Key data snapshots:

- **10,000 young children** were reached by the 60 operational play and learning hubs across several countries.
- **32,500 Ukrainian parents and caregivers** in Ukraine and Europe access critical, timely and customized information, tips, and strategies about their young children’s development.
- **50,000 children** and 5,000 teachers received psychological first-aid and psychosocial support, delivered by 70 trainers across 6 countries.

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