



Three-year-old Diana on a walk in Lyman. She is usually forced to shelter in the basement with her family from the ongoing shelling. UNICEF/2023/Filippov

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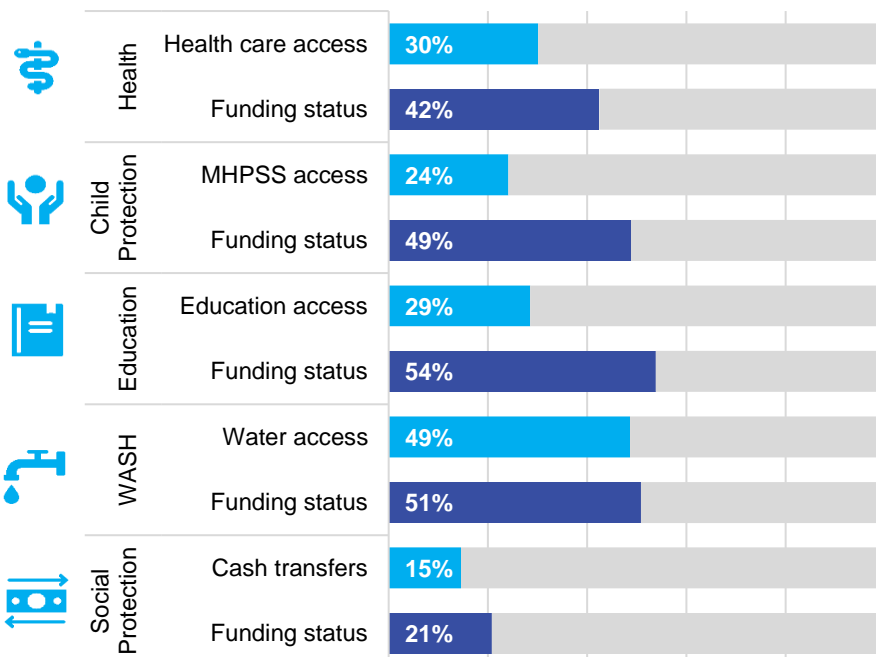


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Highlights

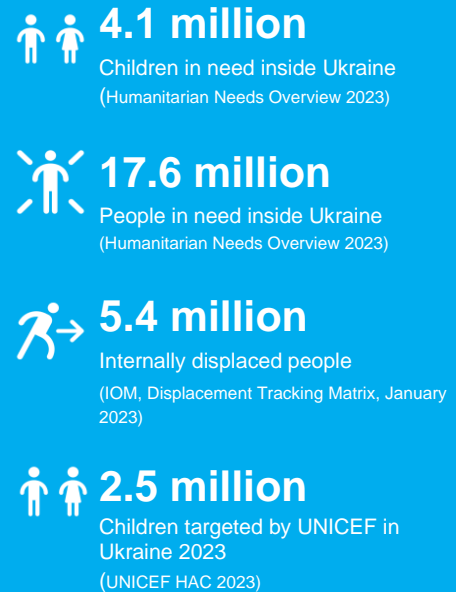
- Visits to UNICEF Spilno Spots increased from 127,000 in March to 153,000 in April, in part due to the opening of 13 new Spilnos where children can gather, play, access services such as psychosocial support and health care and be referred for specialized services.
- With a third of the country contaminated with explosive ordnance or mines, UNICEF and partners reached 223,910 children and caregivers with messaging and engagement around International Mine Awareness Day on 4 April. This included 96,000 children who joined the [national radio dictation on mine safety](#) featuring the famous demining dog Patron.
- There are an estimated 91,000 children in Ukraine in need of family-based care. The Better Care Flagship programme 'Family for Every Child' was launched in Lutsk on 28 April to move towards family-based care for all children in need of protection.
- As of April, 2.4 million children are accessing learning online or through a mixed modality. To support these children, UNICEF distributed 20,000 digital learning devices to children to allow them to study online, prioritizing children in the east and south where insecurity prevents them from attending class in person.
- UNICEF has ensured access to essential primary health care services for 1,500,000 children and women in 2023 through the provision of critical supplies and equipment. In April alone, 1,524 kits of medical supplies were dispatched to 259 health care facilities in 17 out of 25 regions in the country to meet the health care needs of 950,000 people.

UNICEF Response and Funding Status



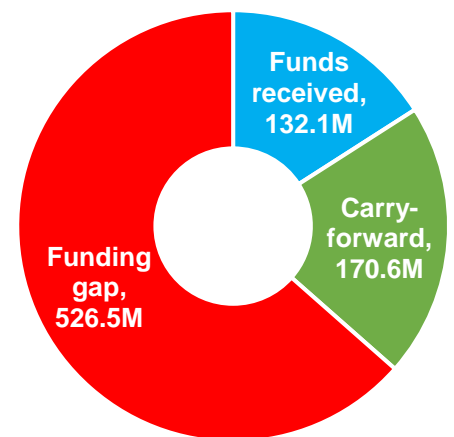
Funding figures represent funds available for the full year, while results in some areas may be low due to designing and deploying new programming based on the latest situation.

Situation in Numbers



UNICEF Appeal 2023 US\$829.2 million

Funding status as of 30 April



The overall HAC funding gap status does not represent gaps by sector. For further details by sector, please refer to Annex B.

Figures reported to the FTS may differ for the same period due to in-process allocation of flexible funding. This reflects the requirements for Pillar 1 (inside Ukraine).

Funding Overview and Partnerships

For 2023, UNICEF has US\$302.6 million available for its response inside Ukraine (Pillar 1) under its [Humanitarian Action for Children](#) (HAC). This includes US\$170.6 million carried over from 2022 and US\$132.1 million newly received in 2023. Of these, 70 per cent has already been utilized to meet critical needs in the first four months of the year. The HAC was developed in line with the [Ukraine Humanitarian Response Plan 2023](#), which targets 11.1 million of the 17.6 million people in need.

Generous contributions have been received from the private sector, including individuals, corporations and foundations, with new funds from JP Morgan Chase, CBIZ, Illinois Tool Works, Impetus Foundation, Neighbourhood in Need foundation, Nippon Telegraph, NTT Data Corporation, Vego Supermercados S.A.U, Ikea, Charles Schwab & Co. Inc, Fidelity Charitable Gift Fund, Reynolds Family Foundation, The Boston Foundation and Yarbrough Family Foundation in 2023, through the UNICEF family of National Committees. Important funding has also been received from the people and Governments of Belgium, Czech Republic, Denmark, Iceland, Ireland, the State of Kuwait, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, the Republic of Korea, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, the European Commission and the pooled Ukraine Humanitarian Fund. In 2023, generous support has been received from the Governments of Croatia, France, Japan, Spain and the United States Agency for International Development (USAID).

UNICEF continues to work with the Government of Ukraine, United Nations agencies, civil society and non-governmental organizations (CSOs/NGOs) and other humanitarian partners. Close consultations are also held with Presidential advisors, key ministries (Foreign Affairs; Social Policy; Education and Science; Youth and Sports; Ministry for Communities, Territories and Infrastructure Development; and Health), and mayors in several cities (including through Child and Youth Friendly Cities) and the Ombudspersons Office. UNICEF has established partnerships in key municipalities and will continue to expand these in all regions. UNICEF engages with 51 government, civil society and financial service provider partners to respond to the critical needs of children and families across Ukraine.

Situation Overview & Humanitarian Needs

Missile strikes across Ukraine have intensified since late April and are expected to continue. Civilian casualties included 23 people killed in an attack on a block of flats in the central city of Uman,¹ far from the frontline. UNICEF delivered hygiene items, blankets, warm children's clothes and other supplies for 1,050 people including 180 children affected by the attack.

Fighting continues in Bakhmut and other areas on the frontline. The situation is reported to be rapidly deteriorating for 5,000 civilians (400 children) facing hostilities in villages in the Marinka area of Donetsk Region. Meanwhile, over 24,000 civilians (1,330 children) including 6,000 internally displaced people, are facing critical gaps in food, water and basic services in nearby Kurakhove and Vuhledar.²

The International Organization for Migration (IOM) released Round 22 displacement data as of 31 March 2023, reporting 3,614,749³ registered displaced people, with the highest numbers hosted in Kharkivska (475,472), Dnipropetrovska (376,307) and Kyivska (331,662). The greatest increases in the registered displaced population from February to March were recorded in large urban areas in the south and east – including Mykolaivskiy, Kharkivskiy, Zaporizkyyi and Odeskyyi.⁴ The larger trend since the first months of the war has been returns. As of 22 January 2023, IOM estimates that 5,562,000 people have returned to their habitual place of residence from abroad or within Ukraine while 5,352,000 people remain displaced within the country. Of the returnees, 1,238,000 have returned to the east and 556,000 to the south. Half of those who have returned to the east or south cited no accessible schools and a quarter cited insufficient public water supply.⁵

Humanitarian Leadership, Coordination and Strategy

UNICEF is working closely with United Nations agencies, the government and humanitarian partners under the interagency framework. UNICEF leads/co-leads the Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH), Child Protection and Education Clusters, the Social Protection Sub-Group under the Cash Working Group and the Nutrition Technical Working Group and Maternal Child Health Care Sub-Group under the World Health Organization (WHO)-led Health Cluster.

UNICEF employs a zonal differentiated approach: In the south-east (**Zone 1**), where intense and sustained fighting and access constraints

Figure 1: Zonal differentiated approach



This map is for illustrative purposes only. The boundaries and names shown, and the designations used on this map do not imply official endorsement or acceptance by the United Nations.

¹ New York Times, [Russian Missile Strikes on Civilian Buildings Kill at Least 25 in Ukraine](#), 28 April 2023.

² OCHA, [UKRAINE - DETERIORATION OF THE HUMANITARIAN SITUATION IN THE FRONT-LINE AREAS OF DONETSKA OBLAST](#), 4 May 2023.

³ While IOM has tracked 3,614,749 registered displaced people as of March, not all displaced people have registered.

⁴ IOM, [Ukraine — Area Baseline Assessment \(Raion level\) — Round 22 \(March 2023\)](#).

⁵ IOM, [Ukraine Returns Report](#), 23 January 2023.

remain, UNICEF participates in interagency humanitarian convoys and engages with municipal, regional and local administrations and civil society partners to implement its urgent humanitarian response. In the central and western parts of the country (**Zone 2**), which have fewer access challenges, UNICEF uses existing national systems and engages local authorities and CSOs. UNICEF is prioritizing three Flagships within the recovery agenda in Zone 2: Early Childhood Development (ECD), Youth and Better Care.

Zone 1: UNICEF participated in five **interagency convoys** covering six locations in April: Ocheretyne, Mariinka, Vuhledar and Toretsk (Donetska Region), Antonivka (Khersonska) and Stepanivka (Zaporizka). The convoys provided emergency supplies for 14,000 people. UNICEF is expanding coverage of critical services in affected areas of the east, including through 10 multidisciplinary mobile teams (MMTs) providing health services, 19 MMTs providing child protection services and 36 Spilno Spots offering access to services and referrals. In parallel to this scale up, UNICEF is prepositioning supplies, developing implementing partnerships and training frontline staff as part of **contingency planning** for any escalation in military activity or newly accessible areas.

Zone 2: UNICEF continued to mitigate the worst impacts of the conflict for children in Zone 2 in April, including piloting catch-up classes in 20 Spilno Spots to mitigate learning loss and delivering four modular boilers and 11 generators to ensure the functioning of water and heating utilities in Chernivetska and Ivano-Frankivska, benefitting over 108,000 people. At the same time, as part of the **recovery agenda**, the Better Care Flagship was launched, home visiting by nurses expanded to support ECD, and 41 adolescents and young people (27 female) participated in an UPSHIFT bootcamp to identify and respond to their priority concerns in their communities, such as establishing creative hubs and offering peer-to-peer psychosocial support.

Spilno Spot Network: UNICEF operates 152 Spilno ('together' in Ukrainian) Spots covering all regions of the country. These Spots welcomed 153,176 visits in April, including 90,688 from children. Spilno Spots offer children a place to learn and play, access services including psychosocial support and health consultations and receive referrals to specialized services. In April, UNICEF opened 13 new Spilno Spots in Odesa, Bashtanka, Dobroslav, Chornomorsk, Dubno, Kyiv (2), Cherkasy, Brovary, Zhmerynka, Khmilnyk, Oleksandria and Lutsk.

Summary Analysis of Programme Response

Health and Nutrition: Since the beginning of the year, UNICEF has ensured access to **essential primary health care services** for 1,507,167 children and women through the provision of critical supplies and equipment. In April alone, 1,524 kits of medical supplies were dispatched to 259 health care facilities in 17 out of 25 regions in the country to meet the health care needs of 950,057 people. This included specialized supplies for obstetrics, midwifery and first aid.

In parallel, UNICEF deploys **MMTs of doctors, nurses and psychologists** to proactively serve children in remote and hard-to-reach areas. Through MMTs, 1,306 people (83 girls, 87 boys and 1,136 women) accessed health services in Khersonska, Zaporizka, Dnipropetrovska, Donetska and Kharkivska in April; 11,017 consultations have been provided so far this year. An additional 15,202 people, including 8,044 children, were provided with health consultations through 25 Spilno Spots in 13 regions in April.

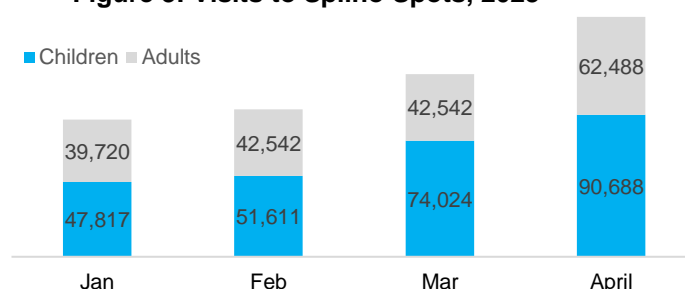
UNICEF is committed to promoting child health and development through the **Universal Progressive Home Visiting** model, which addresses a range of family needs, including parenting skills, maternal and child health, early childhood education and social and emotional support. During April, nurses in Zhytomyr and Kirovohrad made home visits to 735 pregnant women, children and caregivers, providing them with essential care and support. Sixteen primary health care facilities in Kyiv and Kyiv Region joined the initiative in the past month; the programme will scale up to eight regions in 2023 and is a key priority for the Ministry of Health in the coming years.

UNICEF continues to support the Government of Ukraine by **supplying vaccines and upgrading cold chain systems**. As part of World Immunization Week, UNICEF provided the Ministry of Health with six refrigerated vehicles to transport vaccines. In April, UNICEF delivered 543,000 doses of oral polio vaccine and 110,160 doses of inactivated polio vaccine. These efforts are expected to have a significant impact on vaccination rates; in 2022, only 69 per cent of children under 1 year received their three required doses of polio vaccine.

Figure 2: Interagency convoys, April 2023



Figure 3: Visits to Spilno Spots, 2023



Child Protection: In April, **mental health and psychosocial support** (MHPSS) interventions reached 160,208 children and caregivers (69,153 girls, 56,321 boys, 28,353 women and 6,385 men) through child-friendly spaces, group and individual sessions with psychologists, positive parenting sessions, MMTs and psychological first aid. In total, 417,384 children (231,043 girls), including 14,353 children with disabilities, have been reached in 2023. 'Woman in War' was launched in April, with 448 women and 73 children (43 girls) reaching out through a [chatbot](#) to be referred to a psychotherapist for 2 to 10 individual consultations (or more, if required). Meanwhile, to expand the capabilities of community professionals and social workers in providing MHPSS as well as building their own resilience, UNICEF conducted a series of webinars and trainings covering more than 1,090 specialists in all regions of Ukraine.

In April, UNICEF-supported **child protection MMTs** and specialized helplines reached 13,334 children (7,003 girls) and 22,414 women with **gender-based violence (GBV)** awareness-raising, prevention and/or risk mitigation activities. In total, 49,751 children (28,712 girls) and 85,832 women have been reached in 2023. An additional 112 frontline staff (96 women) were trained on GBV core concepts and safe referrals, meaning all MMT staff have now been trained. Additionally, 64 representatives (59 women) of 57 CSOs led by parents of children with disabilities gained knowledge and awareness on concerns such as the additional GBV risk for people with disabilities and how to mitigate possible risks.

UNICEF continues to provide **case management** to the most vulnerable children, with a focus on referrals to specialized health, social and legal services; MHPSS; and placement in family-based alternative care. In April, 4,236 girls and 4,899 boys received case management services while 722 children from 191 alternative care families were provided with material support.⁶ So far in 2023, 28,593 children (13,863 girls) have been reached with case management.

The **Better Care flagship programme** 'Family for Every Child' [was launched](#) in Lutsk on 28 April in an effort to move towards family-based care for all children in need of protection. On 28 April, UNICEF signed a declaration of intent with the Volyn Regional Administration to work together at sub-national levels (family, community, municipality, region) to create changes that can inform national-level reforms. To promote alternative care families for children without parental care, 23 people (17 families) in Zhytomyrska Region completed training, while 20 people (11 families) in Odeska began training on alternative care principles and practical applications, including positive parenting and MHPSS. UNICEF also organized an express training (four sessions of one hour each) through the chatbot 'Child Not Alone' for registered families, with 42 families completing the course. As a result of UNICEF's partnership efforts, 116 children have been placed in alternative care arrangements this year.

The **Child Protection Area of Responsibility (AOR)** works in partnership with regional authorities and service providers through sub-national coordination in Dnipro, Kharkiv, Kyiv, Lviv, Mykolaiv, Odesa, Poltava and Zaporizka. As of April 2023, the 45 Child Protection AOR partners have reached 643,055 individuals including 324,512 children (168,746 girls) with child protection services. This includes 283,688 children and caregivers reached with MHPSS while 22,864 children were provided with direct support and referrals based on a case plan tailored to their needs. A web-based [Child Protection Referral Pathways](#) is available with detailed service contacts of 54 organizations operating in 90 areas across Ukraine. The Child Protection AOR conducted a three-day remote training on the Child Protection Information Management System (CPIMS+) for 224 case workers, managers and coordinators from case management partners, and the system is now live. The Case Management Working Group facilitated training on Child Protection Data Protection and Information Sharing for 90 child protection partners.

Education: As of April 2023, the Institute of Educational Analytics of Ukraine reported that over 1.4 million children (37.5 per cent) were engaged in online-only learning, while 1.3 million (32.8 per cent) were receiving face-to-face instruction and 1.1 million (29.7 per cent) participated in a blended learning approach. This is an 11 per cent increase in students returning to classroom-based learning since September 2022, indicating success in reopening schools (including assuring the availability of adequate safety shelters). Since 1 January 2023, 158,988 children have benefited from teaching and learning supplies provided by UNICEF as part of efforts to increase in-person schooling. Meanwhile, 342,481 children have been engaged in formal or non-formal education through various interventions. UNICEF also organized activities that supported psychosocial needs of 168,544 children contributing to improving their mental health, life skills and social and emotional competences.

Catch-up learning to address learning loss is reaching over 2,000 children in learning centres in Cherkassy, Kropyvnytskyi, Mykolaiv and Odesa. Teachers are providing group and individual lessons, with particular focus on mathematics and Ukrainian language. With 2.4 million children accessing learning online or through a mixed modality, UNICEF distributed 20,000 **digital learning devices** (tablets and laptops) to children to study online. This distribution focused on children in the east and south where face-to-face learning has not been possible due to insecurity. The devices were distributed among displaced children, children with disabilities, children from low-income families or deprived of parental care and other vulnerable boys and girls without devices. UNICEF is supporting the MoES in modifying and streamlining the national digital platform "All-Ukrainian School Online". This initiative aims to provide children, including children with disabilities, access to



Children in Kherson have received tablets and laptops. ©UNICEF/2023/Oleksiy Filipov

⁶ Including blankets, bed linens, towels, flashlights, kettles, multicookers, heaters and sleeping sets.

high-quality digital learning materials and prevent any disruptions to their learning.

Early childhood education is a central pillar of UNICEF's **ECD Flagship**. In April, 73 regional trainers began to cascade training to 4,000 preschool teachers (3,997 women) to strengthen the quality of early childhood education in blended formats. Sixty-five additional regional trainers have been trained and will begin to roll out MHPSS training for 12,000 preschool teachers. This training will provide the preschool teachers with practical tools and techniques for psychological first aid and mental health support for young children and their caregivers. UNICEF and its partners have engaged 6,432 pre-school children in **learning activities**, providing quality alternative face-to-face learning for children who would not otherwise have this opportunity, since a quarter of the country's preschools remain online-only. UNICEF aims to provide 12,000 children aged 5 to 6 years with these opportunities over the summer, in the lead up to the new school year.

UNICEF is supporting the Ministry of Education and Science to develop a **National Strategy and Action Plan on Inclusive Education**. UNICEF conducted six focus group discussions with teachers of inclusive classes and parents of children with disabilities who identified challenges such as the lack of accessible infrastructure, insufficient funding for inclusion in schools, the increased workload of teachers, and low level of parental involvement in the learning of children with disabilities. The lack of awareness among parents about inclusive education and opportunities for their children was also highlighted. This feedback will be used in the design of the national strategy and action plan. Meanwhile, 415 teachers (324 women) from Odeska and Mykolaivska were trained on inclusive education during the reporting period.

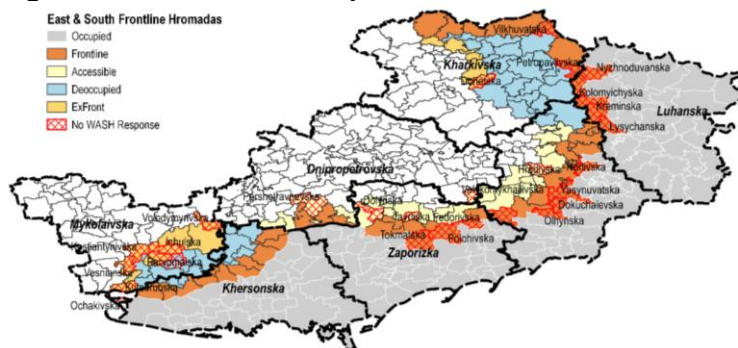
As part of its **Flagship focus on youth**, UNICEF will increase from nine UPSHIFT waves in 2022 to 100 waves in 2023. Using human-centred design, UPSHIFT empowers young people to identify problems, and implement their own solutions as agents of change. Six waves have been conducted so far in Zhytomyr, Lviv and Kropyvnytskyi engaging 1,754 young people. UNICEF also plans to support 100 youth centres in 2023 as spaces to mobilize young people, including for volunteering initiatives. The first three of these centres have been opened in Kropyvnytskyi, benefitting 952 adolescents with life skills sessions and participation opportunities.

The **Education Cluster**, with the support of its partners, facilitated learning for 112,612 conflict-affected school-aged children (56,340 girls) in April⁷ through education services, including repairing and rehabilitating schools, providing early childhood kits, mine risk education, catch-up learning opportunities, MHPSS, and electronic learning devices. Additionally, 3,271 teachers (3,136 female) were trained on teaching online, education in emergencies, child-centred participatory learning, and MHPSS.

WASH: In April, UNICEF ensured access to safe water for 382,968 people, for a total of 2,772,764 people supported this year. Access to safe, sustainable water is ensured through technical assistance to water utility companies, rehabilitation of damaged infrastructure, and the provision of equipment and chemicals for water treatment. In addition, 83,861 people received critical WASH supplies in April, including hygiene kits, water purification tablets and water tanks, as well as water trucking and bottled water distribution for vulnerable communities and key institutions such as collective centres, hospital and schools. So far this year, 445,912 people have been reached with such supplies.

In response to attacks against critical infrastructure, UNICEF has partnered with key water utilities on **reconstruction and repairs**. In April, UNICEF supported the Kherson water utility to restore a reserve branch of the city sewage system; once the full project restoring sewage and water supply system is completed, it will benefit 93,600 people. Meanwhile, in Mykolaiv, UNICEF and the water utility installed a pump unit to supply safe water for 2,000 residents of Mykolaiv City. UNICEF and its partners conducted multiple field assessments and monitoring missions in coordination with water utilities and local authorities in April to ensure the quality of completed works and to prepare for additional large-scale rehabilitation projects in Kharkivska, Lvivska, Poltavaska and Zaporizka.

Figure 4: WASH Cluster response: Frontline hromadas



In April, UNICEF supported 39 **schools, kindergartens and medical facilities** with critical WASH supplies. This included 46 water tanks (1,000 litres) distributed to 17 professional technical schools Mykolaivska Region, which benefited 5,632 students and employees (1,932 adults, 2,230 boys and 1,470 girls) and 24 institutional hygiene kits received by schools and kindergartens in Voznesensky District of the Mykolaivska, supporting 6,488 students (3,280 girls). To minimize the impact of flash flooding and in the framework of its contingency planning, UNICEF distributed 23,328 six-litre bottles of drinking water in 31 communities of Kirovohradska as a contingency stock of safe water. In response to the breach of a dam in Ivanivka Village, Kramatorsk, which flooded 262 households and affected water pumping more broadly, UNICEF provided 168 hygiene kits, 212 blankets and 2 ECD kits to support 5,000 people in the local communities.

⁷ Based on partial reporting.

During April, **WASH Cluster** members reported reaching 3.3 million beneficiaries through WASH interventions of which 1.5 million were in frontline hromadas highlighted in Figure 4. Through the Ukraine Humanitarian Fund, several WASH partners have been resourced to respond in deoccupied and frontline areas in top priority oblasts, in time for expected movements of the frontline, and expected water scarcity around the Kakhov reservoir. WASH Sub-cluster platforms in the east and south are working to pre-establish communication channels, map capacities, and establish information flows to be ready to respond effectively in coordination with existing structures. At present, WASH Cluster members are responding in most priority hromadas, and gap analyses are being undertaken to position incoming partners.

Social Protection: In April, UNICEF provided multipurpose cash (MPC) to 14,840 households (72,163 individuals including 44,228 children). Through the MPC programme, households receive a one-time payment to help them meet their basic needs. The programme targets vulnerable families with children; most households supported in 2023 live in affected areas of the east and south, including Donetska, Khakivska and Khersonska Regions. This brings the total to 29,141 households reached so far in 2023. A post-distribution monitoring survey was conducted in newly accessible areas at the end of April to understand the impact of MPC, with the report to be finalized by the end of May.

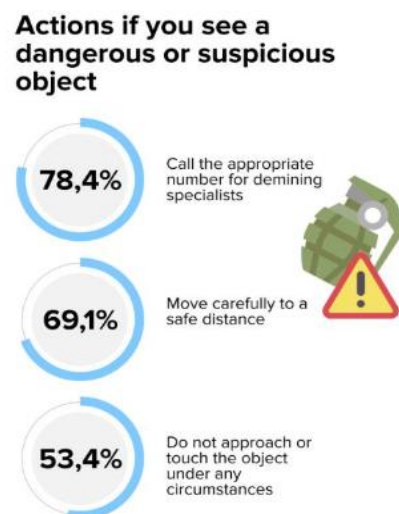
UNICEF continues close collaboration with the government and other key stakeholders on the Perekhid Initiative, which is aimed at operationalizing the linkages between humanitarian cash transfers and the national social protection system. Additionally, the recruitment for technical support to the Ministry of Social Policy in the areas of shock-responsive social protection and digitalization is underway and expected to be finalized by next month.

Influencing Social Behaviour: So far this year, UNICEF has reached 6,057,000 people with messages and engaged 597,131 people in Ukraine.

- **ECD:** In April, 183,233 caregivers and educators received information, advice and best practices from NUMO (platform, chatbot and kindergarten) on early childhood development and education, as part of the over 700,000 people reached with online messages on ECD throughout the month.
- **Health:** Through World Immunization Week 2023 (24 to 30 April), over 2,000,000 people were reached with messages on the importance of vaccination. Staff in Spilno Spots engaged 5,285 children on the importance of vaccination while, in cooperation with the Ministry of Health, mobile vaccination teams at Spilnos vaccinated over 600 children and adults.
- **Nutrition:** 100 Spilno administrators (56 female) were trained to enhance their knowledge on healthy nutrition and 500 edutainment boxes were disseminated to provide learning sessions for 30,000 children. Each box has board games, educational materials and motivational messages that complement lessons on healthy nutrition.
- **Explosive Ordnance Risk Education (EORE):** With a third of the country contaminated with explosive ordnance or mines,⁸ UNICEF and partners reached 223,910 children and caregivers with messaging and engagement around International Mine Awareness Day on 4 April. This included 96,000 children who joined the [national radio dictation on mine safety](#) featuring the famous demining dog Patron. The event was organized with the Ministry of Education and Science, State Emergency Service and National Mine Action Centre. Engagement sessions in educational facilities and Spilno Spots and through mobile teams engaged 139,983 children and 75,520 caregivers while 124,066 children and caregivers were reached with online messages and printed materials. The 4,415 adolescents and youth who participated in the [U-Report poll on mine safety rules](#) showed a good level of knowledge on safe behaviours (see Figure 5). However, 890 children (220 from the east) and 890 caregivers surveyed in rural and affected regions demonstrated a lower understanding of actions to be taken when a landmine or ordnance is detected. Information and feedback collected from children and youth will help plan future social and behaviour change interventions.
- **Accountability to Affected Populations (AAP):** UNICEF received 23,231 unique inquiries and pieces of feedback via its hotline, feedback forms, research and rapid assessments in April, including 16,392 consultations on humanitarian cash transfers.

Supply and Logistics: So far this year, UNICEF has placed US\$33.3 million worth of purchase orders to buy life-saving supplies, including US\$3.6 million placed in April. US\$64.5 million worth of life-saving supplies have been received in Ukraine while US\$57.4 million in supplies have been dispatched from UNICEF-controlled warehouses and US\$10.2 million delivered directly to implementing partners from local vendors. The value of supplies currently in UNICEF-controlled warehouses is US\$13.8 million, with a further US\$31 million in the pipeline.

Figure 5: U-Report results on EORE knowledge



⁸ UNICEF, [Children in Ukraine deal with daily mine danger](#), 6 April 2023.

External Media: In April, UNICEF Ukraine produced more than 40 content projects covering the war's impact on children and UNICEF's response. Advocacy for the office's Flagship priorities was supported by press releases and related content on the launch of the [Better Care pilot in Volyn](#), UNICEF's support to the [home visiting programme](#) and the [Youth for Recovery event](#).

World Immunization Week was a key moment to advocate for [urgent action to increase immunization coverage in Ukraine](#) to protect children's health. Coverage of UNICEF's support to the Ministry of Health, such as [delivering polio vaccine doses](#) and [strengthening the cold chain system](#), helped increase awareness about the importance of vaccines in the lead-up to World Immunization Week. Media [announcements](#) and [content](#) published during this week amplified the call to action for children and adults to be vaccinated at Spilno Spots hosting mobile teams, and seek information on immunization via the 'Spilno to Health' hotline.

Human Interest Stories



[Khmilnytska Inclusive Resource Center receives assistance from UNICEF](#)



[Ukrainian basements shelter families on frontline](#)



[Children in Ukraine deal with daily mine danger](#)



[Generators power maternity hospitals in Ukraine](#)

Annex A: Programme Results (January to April 2023)

Sector		UNICEF and IPs Response			
		2023 target	Total results	Change	
Health (14,600,000 people in need)					
Number of children and women accessing primary healthcare in UNICEF-supported facilities and through mobile teams ⁹		5,000,000	1,507,167	950,057	
Number of children aged 6 to 59 months vaccinated against measles		257,340	0 ¹⁰	-	
Number of primary caregivers of children 0–23 months receiving infant and young child feeding counselling		300,000	547 ¹¹	124	
Child Protection, GBViE and PSEA (3,400,000 people in need - Child Protection)					
Number of children, adolescents and caregivers accessing community-based mental health and psychosocial support		Total	3,100,000	748,159	160,208
		Girls		231,043	69,153
		Boys		186,341	56,321
		Women		256,999	28,353
		Men		73,776	6,385
Number of women, girls and boys accessing GBV risk mitigation, prevention and/or response interventions		1,550,000	135,583 ¹²	35,748	
Number of children who have received individual case management		Total	124,000	28,593	9,135
		Girls		13,863	4,236
		Boys		14,730	4,899
Number of children, young people and caregivers accessing explosive ordnance risk education and received information on preventive practices		10,000,000	602,325 ¹³	335,033	
Number of people with safe and accessible channels to report sexual exploitation and abuse by aid workers		1,700,000 ¹⁴	351,053	-	
Education (5,300,000 people in need)					
Number of children accessing formal or non-formal education, including early learning		Total	1,200,000	342,481	11,611
		Girls		169,047	5,972
		Boys		173,434	5,639
Number of girls and boys benefiting from supplied education, early child and recreation kits or learning		500,000	158,988	60,559	
Number of children accessing psychosocial support, social and emotional learning, or life skills education		350,000 ¹⁵	168,544	15,124	
Number of teachers and educational personnel trained to address learning loss through remedial and catch-up learning		30,000	1,011 ¹⁶	530	
WASH (11,000,000 people in need)					
Number of people accessing a sufficient quantity and quality of water for drinking and domestic needs		5,700,000	2,772,764	382,968 ¹⁷	
Number of people reached with critical WASH supplies		2,500,000	445,912	83,861 ¹⁶	
Social Protection					
Number of households reached with UNICEF-funded humanitarian cash transfers		200,000	29,141	14,840	
Number of children in foster families and family-type children's homes assisted with multipurpose humanitarian cash transfers		60,000	0 ¹⁸	-	

⁹ This result is calculated based on the delivery of supplies from UNICEF to implementing partners.

¹⁰ Vaccination data is published by the Ministry of Health at mid and end year.

¹¹ An assessment is underway to understand infant and young child feeding practices, which will feed into programme design; 124 women reached through home visits.

¹² There are currently only two implementing partners providing GBV services; additional partnerships are currently being developed to increase coverage.

¹³ Reach is low as mass media campaigns are planned for the second half of the year. Currently, activities are focused on interpersonal communication with children.

¹⁴ Target to be reviewed at mid-year considering the need to reach all UNICEF beneficiaries with PSEA awareness and reporting mechanisms.

¹⁵ Target to be reviewed at mid-year considering the capacity of partners to roll out additional training and reach additional children.

¹⁶ UNICEF is currently designing teacher training on how to address the learning loss among children

¹⁷ The change here is the actual new reach for April. This is different than the stated difference from the March sitrep due to data cleaning and reallocation between indicators.

¹⁸ Social Protection and Child Protection are developing a Better Care strategy that covers the 60,000 children in foster families.

Influencing Social Behaviour				
Number of people reached through messaging on prevention and access to services		12,000,000	6,057,000	~ ¹⁹
Number of people sharing their concerns and asking questions/clarifications to address their needs through established feedback mechanisms		500,000	96,720	23,231
Number of people participating in engagement actions for social and behaviour change		500,000	597,131 ²⁰	316,255

Annex B: Funding Status as of 20 April 2023

With humanitarian needs still acute, the UNICEF HAC appeal reflects resource requirements under Pillar 1 to reach vulnerable children and families in Ukraine with essential services and life-saving supplies. Continued, flexible contributions mean that UNICEF and partners can act quickly and respond strategically to where the needs are greatest.

Sector	Requirements	Funds available		Funding gap	
		Resources received (current year)	Carry-over	US\$	%
Health and Nutrition	104,000,000	14,969,522	29,149,164	59,881,314	58%
Child Protection, GBViE and PSEA	111,010,000	34,130,463	20,100,660	56,778,877	51%
Education	100,000,000	19,862,709	33,938,580	46,198,711	46%
WASH	145,000,000	39,532,588	34,160,352	71,307,060	49%
Social Protection	369,230,400	23,575,132	53,222,546	292,432,722	79%
Total	829,240,400	132,070,414	170,571,302	526,598,684	64%

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¹⁹ No increase in April as the total reach is based on highest reach to date for a single platform/post.

²⁰ The overreach is due to the scale up of activities with the State Emergency Service on EORE and of activities at Spilno Child Spots.