

7.7 MILLION INTERNALLY DISPLACED PERSONS IN UKRAINE.

5.66 MILLION PEOPLE FLED UKRAINE

Since 24 February 2022, an increasing number of Ukrainian refugees and third-country nationals (TCNs) entering neighboring countries has been registered as a result of the war in Ukraine.

As of 3 May 2022, Slovak authorities have reported more than **390,875** arrivals from Ukraine, out of which **360,901** were Ukrainian refugees and **24,383** TCNs.

Source of data for the period of 24 February – 3 May 2022: [IOM](#), [UNHCR](#), Ministry of Interior of the Slovak Republic



IOM PROVIDING INFORMATION AND LEGAL ASSISTANCE TO PEOPLE FLEEING UKRAINE AT THE VYSNE NEMECKE BORDER POINT OF ENTRY.

NEWS:

ASSISTANCE TO WAR-AFFECTED PEOPLE FROM UKRAINE IN GABCIKOVO

IOM in coordination with partners provides information and counselling to conflict-affected people fleeing Ukraine who have found a shelter in Gabcikovo Accommodation Facility.

On a daily basis, IOM provides basic legal, social and labour counselling, shares referral to relevant services, information on how to apply for the Temporary Refuge, and raises awareness of the risks of trafficking in human beings in the facility that is currently housing over 700 people who fled war in Ukraine.

From the very first days to 3 May 2022, IOM has provided this in-person immediate assistance at border points of entry and centres in Vysne Nemecke, Ubla, Michalovce, Kosice and Gabcikovo to more than 1,980 beneficiaries crossing into Slovakia.



IOM PROVIDES INFORMATION AND COUNSELLING TO PEOPLE IN THE GABCIKOVO ACCOMMODATION FACILITY.

IOM TRAINED ANOTHER 14 PROFESSIONALS IN COUNTER-TRAFFICKING

IOM conducted another counter-trafficking training for partner organisations involved in provision of services at the Gabcikovo Accommodation Facility.

Professionals from the Slovak Humanitarian Council as an implementing partner of UNHCR, Fire Medical, Migration Office of the Ministry of Interior of the Slovak Republic and facility management staff took part in the training.

The frontline workers found out more about human trafficking and risks of human trafficking for people in vulnerable situations. They also learnt how to recognize the case of human trafficking and how to help their clients avoid risks of human trafficking, especially forced labour.



IOM PROVIDING COUNTER-TRAFFICKING AWARENESS TRAINING IN THE GABCIKOVO ACCOMMODATION FACILITY.

PEOPLE FLEEING WAR LEARN TO SPEAK SLOVAK FOR EVERYDAY LIFE

IOM Migration Information Centre (MIC) opened free Slovak language courses for Ukrainian citizens. They can learn Slovak in 15 classes available in an online format and in 5 in-person classes in Slovak-Ukrainian Community House in Bratislava and in Gabčíkovo Accommodation Facility.

For those fleeing war in Ukraine and arriving to Slovakia, knowledge of Slovak language facilitates their communication with Slovak authorities, increases their opportunity to find a job corresponding to their job experience and skills, and helps them to find friends among Slovaks as well.



IOM SLOVAK LANGUAGE COURSE IN THE GABČIKOVO ACCOMMODATION FACILITY FOR PEOPLE FROM UKRAINE.

MOBILITY OF THIRD-COUNTRY NATIONALS FLEEING UKRAINE ANALYSED

IOM released a [displacement analysis of third-country nationals](#) (TCNs) arriving from Ukraine to Slovakia and those who exiting the country towards Ukraine. The pilot report published in Slovakia for the period of 24 February – 25 April 2022 highlighted that more than 60 per cent of the entries of TCNs from Ukraine to Slovakia occurred before 10 March, with a peak between 27 February and 2 March 2022.

Between 24 February and 24 April 2022, a total of 360,498 people entered Slovakia from Ukraine. Out of them, 23,027 were TCNs of 148 different nationalities, in addition to 332,587 Ukrainian and 4,884 Slovak nationals. The top 10 nationalities by number of entries of TCNs in Slovakia so far were Hungary, Morocco, Czechia, India, Germany, Nigeria, Russian Federation, Poland, China and Libya.

When it comes to exits from Slovakia to Ukraine, Ukrainians represented 86 per cent of all individuals (93,470) registered during the reporting period, with 10,483 TCNs of 90 different nationalities and 4 per cent of Slovak nationals (4,852) recorded leaving towards Ukraine.

Third-country nationals represented 19 per cent of the total of 176 asylum applications in connection with the conflict in Ukraine. The third-country national applicants were of seven different nationalities, with the highest proportion from nationals of the Russian Federation.

SURVEY: HOW THE WAR IN UKRAINE HAS IMPACTED MOBILITY OF PEOPLE, THEIR NEEDS AND INTENTIONS

IOM's Displacement Tracking Matrix (DTM) team in Slovakia continues with data collection for a rapid multisectoral needs assessments of the mobility, vulnerabilities, needs and intentions of displaced persons to better understand mobility dynamics and ensure that assistance provided is responsive to needs of conflict-affected populations.

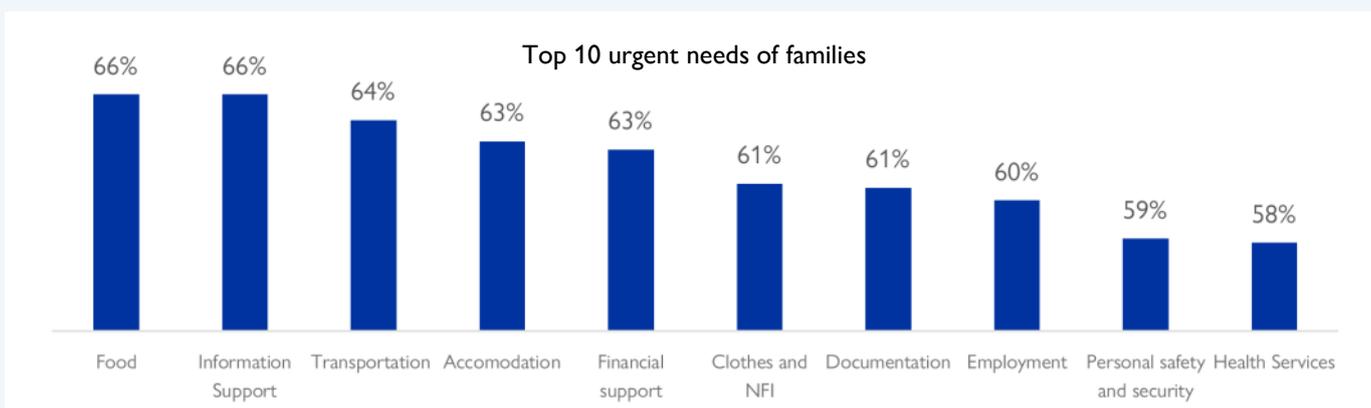
IOM in Slovakia launched its [second rapid needs assessment report](#) that presents an analysis of 481 interviews (primarily with Ukrainian nationals, 88 per cent of whom were women and girls, and 12 per cent male. According to surveys collected between 9 March and 21 April 2022, the top regions of origin in Ukraine were Kharkiv (22 per cent), Kyiv (20 per cent), Donetsk (15 per cent) and Dnipropetrovsk (11 per cent).

More than half (57 per cent) of the respondents reported Slovakia as their final intended destination. Eighteen percent indi-

cated another country in Europe, while 15 per cent reported other countries as their final destinations. Out of the 150 respondents who identified their final destination country, the majority reported Germany (37 per cent) followed by Czechia (24 per cent), Italy and Poland (both 7 per cent).

About two-thirds of respondents indicated they would return to Ukraine once it was safe (65 per cent). Meanwhile, 21 per cent did not know their long-term intention, while 9 per cent expected to stay in Slovakia.

Food, information support, transportation, accommodation, financial support and clothes were the main needs expressed by those surveyed respondents travelling with family. Among other pressing needs reported by over half of respondents are documentation and legal services, employment, personal safety and security and health services.



IOM ACTIVITIES

DIRECT ASSISTANCE

Direct assistance and response to immediate refugee needs at border points of entry and dedicated registration centres.

REMOTE ASSISTANCE

Legal, social and job counseling and referrals to Ukrainian refugees as well as to third country nationals through IOM's Migration Information Centre infoline and email.

HUMANITARIAN AID

Provision of emergency humanitarian aid to people in need in Ukraine and people fleeing Ukraine.

PROTECTION

Capacity building on counter-trafficking, prevention of sexual exploitation, gender-based violence and other topics for frontline workers, healthcare professionals, volunteers etc.

TEMPORARY ACCOMMODATION

Assistance to persons fleeing the war in Ukraine with temporary accommodation in partnership with the Airbnb.

DATA COLLECTION

Data collection on displacement, people's needs and intentions to better understand mobility dynamics in the region and strengthen the response to the crisis.



SIGN OF AGREEMENT ON COOPERATION ON CASH BASED ASSISTANCE PROGRAMME IN SLOVAKIA BETWEEN ZUZANA VATRALOVA, HEAD OF IOM OFFICE IN SLOVAKIA (ON THE LEFT), AND MILAN KRAJNIAK, MINISTER OF LABOUR, SOCIAL AFFAIRS AND FAMILY OF THE SLOVAK REPUBLIC.

IN THE PIPELINE IN MAY

- Emergency multi-purpose cash assistance.
- Mental health and psychological support.

IOM RESPONSE IN NUMBERS:

Results are for the period of 24 February – 3 May 2022:

1,984 PEOPLE ASSISTED ONSITE

IOM provided in person assistance, referrals, information on temporary refuge and on different life aspects in Slovakia to refugees at border crossing points and dedicated registration centres.

2,503 PEOPLE ASSISTED REMOTELY

IOM's Migration Information Centre (MIC) provided information and legal, social and job counselling to Ukrainians and non-EU nationals through infoline, email and other channels.

219,715 WEBSITE VISITORS

People were searching for the useful information on entry and stay in Slovakia available in Ukrainian, Slovak, English and Russian at the MIC website www.mic.iom.sk.

39 PROFESSIONALS TRAINED IN COUNTER-TRAFFICKING

IOM conducted three trainings for frontline and healthcare workers and other professionals involved in provision of services for refugees and TCNs.

1,200 BLANKETS FOR PEOPLE IN NEED

IOM delivered blankets for people in need in the Kosice municipality and Michalovce Registration Centre for immediate distribution across temporary accommodation sites.

1 BREASTFEEDING AND BABY CARE ROOM EQUIPPED

IOM secured dignified and private space for mothers and their babies when crossing the border in Vysne Nemecke and equipped a dedicated room with vital supplies.

24 BENEFICIARIES OF ACCOMMODATION

IOM assisted persons in vulnerable situation – single mothers, elderly people and those with chronic illnesses – to find and secure temporary accommodation in Airbnb facilities in Slovakia.

579 SURVEYS

IOM conducted data collection across key sites through interviews with Ukrainian refugees and TCNs about their needs and intentions.

3,456 TONS OF HUMANITARIAN AID



IOM SHIPPED 216 TRUCKS WITH ESSENTIAL GOODS FROM WAREHOUSE IN KOSICE TO PEOPLE IN NEED IN UKRAINE, EQUATING TO A VOLUME OF 3,456 TONS.

WHERE YOU CAN FIND US:

Since the outbreak of the war, IOM is helping every day at the Slovak-Ukrainian border and in the dedicated registration centres. From the very first days IOM has assisted on sites to more than **1,980 people** fleeing from Ukraine and arriving in Slovakia, including Ukrainian refugees and TCNs. IOM is actively present at the following border crossing points, registration centres and sites:



POINTS OF ENTRY:

1. Vysne Nemecke
2. Ubla

CENTRES:

3. Registration centre in Michalovce
4. IOM Migration Information Centre in Kosice
Hotspot Cervena Hviezda in Kosice
5. Accomodation Facility in Gabcikovo
6. IOM Migration Information Centre in Bratislava

IOM INFOLINES

INFORMATION AND ASSISTANCE FOR PEOPLE ARRIVING FROM UKRAINE TO SLOVAKIA

- Info line:** 0850 211 478 (from the territory of the Slovak Republic)
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- Website:** www.mic.iom.sk

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