

6.97 MILLION INTERNALLY DISPLACED PERSONS IN UKRAINE.

13.73 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 4 October 2022, Slovak authorities have reported **857,149** arrivals from Ukraine, out of which **791,189** were Ukrainian refugees and **45,146** TCNs and EU nationals.

Source of data for the period of 24 February – 4 Oct. 2022: [IOM](#), [UNHCR](#), Ministry of Interior of the Slovak Republic.



AN IOM CONSULTANT IS HANDING OVER A HYGIENIC KIT TO THE UKRAINIAN FAMILY FROM KHARKIV WHICH CAME TO THE MICHALOVCE REGISTRATION CENTRE TO APPLY FOR THE TEMPORARY REFUGEE STATUS IN SLOVAKIA.

KEY FACTS OF IOM RESPONSE:



14,169 PEOPLE

benefited from IOM immediate assistance at borders and centres and from IOM remote counselling



493 TRUCKS

with 10,353 tons of humanitarian aid were dispatched through IOM supply chain from Slovakia to Ukraine



478 PARTICIPANTS

of IOM trainings for frontline workers and other professionals involved in services for people from Ukraine



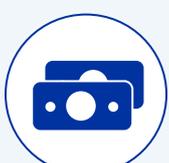
323 PEOPLE

fleeing the war in Ukraine have benefited from temporary accommodation or housing in Slovakia



819 PEOPLE

in emergency situation have benefited from mental health and psychosocial support



283 BENEFICIARIES

received IOM cash assistance for carers of people with disabilities and for people with specific needs

NEWS:

IOM TRAINED IN COUNTER-TRAFFICKING ANOTHER 12 PROFESSIONALS ASSISTING PEOPLE FROM UKRAINE

On 20 September 2022, IOM Slovakia organized a training for the representatives of organisations and institutions that are present at the Bottova Assistance Centre in Bratislava and assist people fleeing the war in Ukraine.

As they are in a daily contact with people searching for a refuge in Slovakia, they can play an important role in [awareness raising](#) on the risks of trafficking in human beings.

Altogether 12 professionals from the Tenenet, Human Rights League, Bratislava Magistrate, Bratislavská Arcidiecézna Charita and Scouting Slovakia attended the training. They received basic information about human trafficking, its mechanism and about the most common myths about human trafficking. →



TRAININGS ON COUNTER-TRAFFICKING ARE AN ESSENTIAL COMPONENT OF THE IOM RESPONSE TO THE CRISIS IN UKRAINE. IOM TRAINING IN SEPTEMBER 2022 IN BRATISLAVA.

The participants also learnt:

- how to recognize risky situations that people in vulnerable situation can experience,
- how to support safe travel of people coming from Ukraine,
- what to do and where to turn if they meet a victim of human trafficking.

DISPLACED PEOPLE IN A TEMPORARY SHELTER IN RUZOMBEROK CAN HAVE COOKED MEALS, THANKS TO IOM ASSISTANCE

As part of its response to the needs of displaced people who had to leave their homes because of the war in Ukraine and found a temporary shelter in Slovakia, IOM continues delivering humanitarian aid in cooperation with its partner organisations in different sites across Slovakia.

On 19 September 2022, IOM in coordination with the Caritas – Spišská katolícka charita delivered one electric stove, two big pots and six sets of dishes to the Ukrainian community centre in Ruzomberok, operated by the Caritas. These items will serve people who live in an accommodation without a possibility of cooking. A coordinator of the facility can now prepare warm meals for them directly in the centre.

IOM also delivered a technical equipment to facilitate daily Slovak language lessons for adults and children and for sessions aimed at assistance for people from Ukraine looking for a job.

This centre serves as a community space for Ukrainian people in the Ruzomberok region, with a children's playground and study room for daily language courses and sessions to facilitate applying for and finding a job. At the same time, this centre operates as a distribution centre for food and hygiene humanitarian assistance.



IOM HUMANITARIAN AID DELIVERY TO A COMMUNITY CENTRE IN RUZOMBEROK IN SEPTEMBER 2022.

IOM PROVIDED ANOTHER CLOTHS AID TO THE COMMUNITY CENTER IN NITRA WHICH HELPS PEOPLE FLEEING WAR IN UKRAINE

As a follow up to the August donations of humanitarian aid, on 20 September 2022, IOM in coordination with the Nitra Community Foundation delivered another 7,209 pieces of clothing to the Community Center for Work and Knowledge Mobility (COMIN) in Nitra.

The delivery consisted of clothes for daily use such as T-shirts, women and children underwear as most of the beneficiaries of the center are women with children and elderly people from Ukraine.

The humanitarian aid was unloaded with the help of employees of the town of Nitra as well as Ukrainian volunteers at the High School of Gastronomy which serves as a temporary warehouse.



IOM CLOTHES AID DELIVERY TO THE COMIN IN NITRA IN SEPTEMBER 2022.

Read more about [IOM humanitarian aid provided in Slovakia for people from Ukraine](#) since 24 February 2022.

IOM AND IPČKO IN KOSICE PROVIDE PSYCHOSOCIAL SUPPORT TO CHILDREN THAT FLED THE WAR IN UKRAINE

On 21 September 2022, IPčko mobile team and IOM team in Kosice organised a first group psychosocial support for a dozen of Ukrainian children who together with their families found temporary refuge in Slovakia.

Activities focused on children who need to cope with various new situations they might have experienced. Among others, children used projective play to help them discover the world outside themselves through a toy. Furthermore, they participated in group works that showed them how cooperation could facilitate their further community engagement in their current settings.

As a part of the emergency response to the situation in Ukraine, IPčko as the IOM's implementing partner provides [mental health and psychosocial support](#) to people fleeing the war and currently living in Slovakia. People can benefit from psychological first aid, individual psychological counselling, community activities or group sessions.



GROUP PSYCHOSOCIAL SUPPORT FOR UKRAINIAN CHILDREN IN KOSICE.

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 counselling 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.

EMERGENCY MULTI-PURPOSE CASH ASSISTANCE

Provision of allowance for persons taking care of adult Ukrainian citizens with disabilities and for adult Ukrainian citizens with specific needs, currently living in Slovakia.

MENTAL HEALTH AND PSYCHOSOCIAL SUPPORT

Provision of mental health and psychosocial support to people fleeing the war and currently living in Slovakia.

TEMPORARY ACCOMMODATION

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



AN IOM CONSULTANT AT THE BUS STATION IN KOSICE IS CONDUCTING AN INTERVIEW WITH DISPLACED UKRAINIAN CITIZENS WHO ARE CROSSING BACK TO UKRAINE FROM SLOVAKIA ABOUT THEIR MOBILITY, NEEDS AND INTENTIONS. ANALYSIS OF IOM SURVEYS WITH UKRAINIAN CITIZENS AND THIRD-COUNTRY NATIONALS ARRIVING FROM UKRAINE TO SLOVAKIA AND CROSSING BACK TO UKRAINE ARE AVAILABLE IN THE [IOM SLOVAKIA REPORTS](#).

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.

IOM RESPONSE IN NUMBERS:

Results are for the period of 24 February – 4 October 2022:

4,905 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.

9,264 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.

440,759 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.

132 PROFESSIONALS TRAINED IN COUNTER-TRAFFICKING

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

283 BENEFICIARIES OF CASH ASSISTANCE

Since June 2022, IOM has provided cash assistance to people who are taking full-time care of adult Ukrainian citizens with disabilities and to adult Ukrainian citizens with specific needs.

819 PEOPLE PROVIDED WITH PSYCHOLOGICAL SUPPORT

People received psychological first aid, individual psychological counselling or specialized referrals, and participated in group sessions or socio-relational activities.

54 CLASSES OF SLOVAK LANGUAGE COURSES

Over 1,160 Ukrainian citizens have learnt Slovak language in 30 classes in an online format and in 24 in-person classes in Bratislava, Gabčíkovo, Presov and Kosice.

10,353 TONS OF HUMANITARIAN AID

IOM shipped 493 trucks with essential goods from its warehouses to people in need in Ukraine, equating to a volume of 10,353 tons.

1 BREASTFEEDING AND BABY CARE ROOM EQUIPPED

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

5,215 HYGIENE & BABY KITS FOR PEOPLE ON THE RUN

IOM delivered 1,135 kits for people in need in Michalovce, 1,000 kits to Zákovce to be distributed to 5 other spots, 1,180 kits to Nitra, 900 kits to Gabčíkovo and 1,000 kits to 2 centres in Bratislava.

323 BENEFICIARIES OF ACCOMMODATION

IOM assisted persons mainly in vulnerable situation to find and secure temporary accommodation in Airbnb facilities or housing in Slovakia.

1,589 SURVEYS

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

WHERE YOU CAN FIND US:

Since the outbreak of the war, IOM helps 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 **4,905 people** fleeing 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. Ubla
2. Vysne Nemecke

CENTRES:

3. Registration Centre in Michalovce
4. IOM Migration Information Centre in Kosice
Hotspot Cervena Hviezda in Kosice
5. Accommodation 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)
- From abroad:** +421 2 5263 0023, +421 55 625 8662
- Telegram/Signal:** +421 908 767 853 (voice calls only)
- Email:** mic@iom.int
- Website:** www.mic.iom.sk

Online support available in Ukrainian, Slovak, English, and Russian.

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