

ON 24 FEBRUARY 2022, THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION LAUNCHED A BROAD MILITARY INVASION IN UKRAINE, WHICH HAS CONTRIBUTED TO SIGNIFICANT INTERNAL DISPLACEMENT AND CROSS-BORDER MOVEMENTS.

KEY FIGURES SINCE FEBRUARY 24, 2022



IOM supported a Budapest municipality-run community center with a delivery of household appliances, thanks to the contribution of the Austrian Development Agency.
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To this moment, it is estimated that over **11,976,498¹** persons have been forcibly displaced into neighboring countries, with still more projected to move out of the country.

1,292,632² persons have arrived to Hungary across the Hungarian-Ukrainian border.

29,027² persons applied for the temporary protection status in Hungary.

7,192

4,342
2,850

PERSONS ASSISTED ON SITE AND REMOTELY THROUGH INFORMATION PROVISION



1,135

PERSONS PROVIDED WITH SAFE ACCOMMODATION



28,440

NIGHTS OF ACCOMMODATION



338

VULNERABILITY SCREENING ASSESSMENTS



474

PERSONS PROVIDED WITH HYGIENE ITEMS



358

SNACKS PROVIDED FOR CHILDREN IN COMMUNITY CENTERS



280

PROTECTION CASES IDENTIFIED



189

MENTAL HEALTH AND PSYCHOSOCIAL SUPPORT COUNSELLING SESSIONS



44

THIRD-COUNTRY NATIONALS RECEIVED VHR ASSISTANCE

OPERATIONAL UPDATES

Direct assistance: IOM information point, opened in cooperation with Budapest Capital City at Nyugati station, offers legal counselling on status, residence permit and temporary protection, as well as information on accommodation and available services for the affected population. In cooperation with the municipality and UNHCR, IOM Hungary operates a community center providing various services to beneficiaries in the city center. Information provision is also ensured at the border through IOM's permanent presence at Záhony railway station and by the mobile teams in the region.

Accommodation: IOM is running multiple accommodation facilities and managing short-term bookings through its partnership with Airbnb.org for Ukrainian citizens and TCNs in need in Budapest. Short and mid-term accommodation is provided. In the **Szabolcs-Szatmár-Bereg county (border area)**, IOM mobile teams regularly visit the shelters provided by the municipalities and meet with beneficiaries to make sure they receive assistance responsive to their needs.

¹ <https://data2.unhcr.org/en/situations/ukraine>

² <https://displacementiom.intl/reports/ukraine-internal-displacement-report-general-population-survey-round-3-11-17-april-2022?close=true>

OPERATIONAL UPDATES

Counter trafficking: IOM Hungary is scaling up the counter-trafficking component of its emergency response through the development of communication materials, especially information and awareness-raising leaflets. Social media channels are also being used to disseminate messages on safe migration and raise awareness on protection risks.

Protection: Vulnerability screening assessments are being conducted by IOM staff in the border area, including in the shelters provided by local municipalities and at IOM Hungary's desk in Záhony, with referrals being made to specialized services according to identified needs. IOM staff is raising awareness on protection risks and identifying unaccompanied and separated minors as well as TCNs and refugees with indicators of vulnerability and/or human trafficking. Beneficiary selection for accommodation reflects individual protection needs.

Assistance to Third Country Nationals: TCNs are provided with individual counselling on humanitarian voluntary return to their country of origin, together with direct assistance before and during departure. IOM Hungary's mobile teams are also conducting a mapping exercise in Budapest, especially in the different universities, to identify Third Country Nationals fleeing from Ukraine and provide them with relevant information and support. IOM maintains close cooperation with local organizations working with TCNs to disseminate information and assist their activities.

Emergency hotline: IOM provides information remotely on legal status and accommodation, together with MHPSS, services. IOM also raises awareness on and responds to emergency situations involving trafficking and exploitation. IOM Emergency hotline: **0680 984 544** (free of charge).

Mental Health and Psychosocial Support Service (MHPSS): IOM provides direct MHPSS to migrants, emergency affected persons and host communities. IOM has designed and improved capacity-building initiatives in various aspect of MHPSS and population mobility.

Provision of non-food items and snacks: IOM provides non-food items directly to beneficiaries in cooperation with partners, such as hygiene products and kits. IOM also provides snacks to community spaces for children in Budapest upon demand.

DISPLACEMENT TRACKING MATRIX (DTM) REPORTS

This week, IOM Hungary published its first two Displacement Tracking Matrix (DTM) reports. IOM Hungary is scaling up the DTM tool in order to better understand mobility trends in the region and strengthen its emergency response. DTM collects information on displacement patterns using face-to-face interviews and surveys addressed to Ukrainians and TCNs. Since the implementation of DTM, a total of 847 surveys were conducted by IOM Hungary, of which 522 were gathered in August alone. This data will inform the second round of DTM – IOM Hungary reports.



DTM enumerator about to conduct surveys with crisis-affected people at the Záhony border.
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