



UKRAINE

FACTSHEET

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HIGHLIGHTS

52%

of Internally Displaced People are in Donetsk and Luhansk regions 59%

of Internally Displaced People are pensioners

13%

of Internally Displaced People are children 4%

of Internally Displaced People are disabled

Population of concern

1,505,600 Internally Displaced People

Including:

887,800 pensioners

359,900 working age

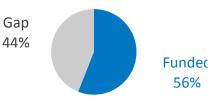
190,200 children

62,600 disabled

Source: Ministry of Social Policy

Funding

USD 41.5 million requested



UNHCR Presence

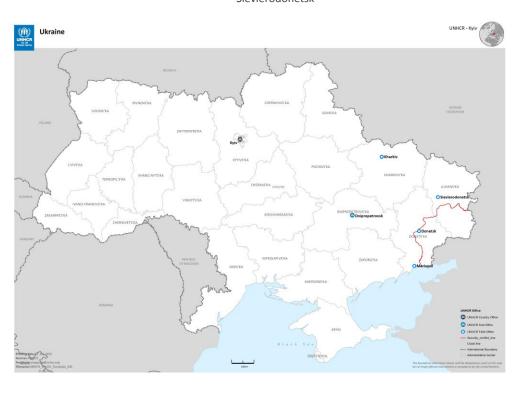
Staff:

- 101 national staff
- 23 international staff

Offices:

6 offices located in:

Kyiv, Dnipropetrovsk, Kharkiv, Mariupol, Donetsk, Sievierodonetsk



WORKING WITH PARTNERS

The humanitarian response to the internal displacement situation in Ukraine is a coordinated effort by international organizations, the Government, local and international NGOs. UNHCR works with five implementing partners and other partners providing assistance to Internally Displaced People (IDPs) through protection and legal assistance, policy development and capacity building, the distribution of emergency shelter materials and non-food items (NFIs). UNHCR co-leads the Protection and Shelter and Non Food Item Clusters.

- The Protection Cluster co-led by UNHCR and OHCHR monitors and reports on the protection situation in both government and non-government controlled areas. The information is used to ensure appropriate advocacy and response to needs prioritizing the most vulnerable and to inform the response of other humanitarian actors.
- The Shelter and Non Food Item Cluster led by UNHCR monitors and reports on emergency shelter non-food item needs of IDPs in government and non-government controlled areas. Based on this information the Cluster coordinates the delivery of shelter and NFI material assistance to IDPs.

MAIN ACTIVITIES

Protection

- On 9 September, Resolution no. 636 came into power harmonizing Council of Ministers Resolution nos. 505, 509, 535, 637 and 595 with requirements of the "Law on ensuring of rights and freedoms of internally displaced people" dated 20 October 2014. The Resolution should clarify the IDP registration process, including the registration of unaccompanied children IDPs and improve access to financial assistance for IDPs. The Resolution completes legislation facilitating the employment of IDPs by providing free requalification vouchers to IDPs of employable age who have not found appropriate employment; compensation of medical examination and transport costs relating to employment for those who were registered unemployed; reimbursement of training costs for employers hiring IDPs; reimbursement of salary costs for 6 months to employers hiring registered IDPs for at least 12 months.
- In September, UNHCR implementing partner Stantia Kharkiv provided 4,762 general consultations, 1,362 legal and 510 psychosocial consultations. More than 80 per cent of the consultations were provided to female beneficiaries. Main concerns were access to humanitarian assistance, the voucher programme, assistance from partners, IDP rights, crossing the line of contact, initial registration, housing issues, pensions, children, depression, psychological disorders and family problems. UNHCR implementing partner Crimea SOS provided consultations to 3,576 people, of which 2,639 were social consultations and 934 legal consultations. The most frequently raised problems included blocked bank accounts, crossing of the line of contact and the administrative border with Crimea, court decisions, property issues in the non-government controlled area and employment.

Shelter and NFIs

In the past month, UNHCR NFI and shelter assistance was provided to over 7,400 people. In the government controlled area, UNHCR operational partner SOS Kramatorsk distributed UNHCR-provided NFIs to 1,000 people in northern Donetsk. UNHCR operational partners distributed bedding sets and other NFIs to 1,970 people in the Mariupol area. The UNHCR Field Office in Sievierodonetsk distributed shelter materials to some 700 people in Krimskoye, near the line of contact. UNHCR implementing partner ADRA carried out repairs to 264 houses and two apartment blocks comprising 116 apartments in the area of Slovyansk, northern Donetsk. Implementing partner People in Need (PiN) provided shelter materials to 482 households in northern Donetsk. PIN also distributed emergency shelter materials to a school in Pervomaysk. In the non-government controlled area, UNHCR emergency shelter materials were provided to PiN for distribution to 1,590 people in Horlivka, northern Donetsk, though de facto authority restrictions have greatly curtailed humanitarian operations in the area.

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