

100 days of war in Ukraine

Overview

Nearly one hundred days of war in Ukraine have been devastating for the country's children. Almost two out of every three children are now displaced either within Ukraine or in neighbouring countries and beyond. They are being killed and injured, mostly in attacks using explosive weapons on populated areas. Civilian infrastructure on which children depend – health centres, water and sanitation systems, schools – has been damaged or destroyed.

Children are being traumatized by the violence around them. They are terrified, in shock, and desperate for safety, stability, protection and psychosocial care. Those who have been separated from their families are at risk of abuse, exploitation and trafficking as they flee the violence and ongoing atrocities.

Children of Ukraine need an immediate ceasefire and a lasting peace so they can rebuild their lives together with their families.



Impact on children

262 children verified killed, and 415 injured

3 million children in need of humanitarian assistance inside Ukraine

2.2 million children in need in refugee-hosting countries

At least 256 attacks impacting health-care facilities

At least one in six UNICEF-supported 'Safe Schools' in eastern Ukraine damaged or destroyed

At least 1.4 million people are without running water in eastern Ukraine

Risks for children

■ Increasingly desperate humanitarian conditions, especially in parts of eastern and southern Ukraine where fighting is escalating, and limited humanitarian access

■ Extensive damage to homes and civilian infrastructure

■ Displacement

■ Economic impact on families

■ Family separation, violence, abuse, sexual exploitation, and trafficking



UNICEF is calling for:

Children must be protected from harm, particularly the use of explosive weapons in populated areas and attacks on civilian infrastructure

Full humanitarian access to safely and quickly reach children in need

An immediate ceasefire

Fulfillment of children's rights, including access to health care, protection, education and other services



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UNICEF response highlights

Inside Ukraine:

Since 24 February, UNICEF and partners have:

Distributed life-saving health and medical supplies **for nearly 2.1 million** children and families in war-affected areas

Over **2.1 million people** have had access to safe water in areas where networks have been damaged or destroyed, and at least **152,000** have been reached with urgently needed safe water and hygiene supplies

More than **288,000** children have benefited from learning supplies; over **187,000** have had informal or formal education

More than **612,000** children and caregivers have been reached with mental health and psychosocial support; over **52,000** children have benefited from case management and referral services; and over **16,700** women and children have been assisted with gender-based violence (GBV) response.

6,500 vulnerable households including children with disabilities, or three or more children have been reached with multi-purpose cash assistance – a monthly lump sum payment of \$75 per person for three months. Almost **300,000** families have registered for the UNICEF-Ministry of Social Policy program to help meet basic needs of 265,000 households by August 2022.



- UNICEF response countries with UNICEF-UNHCR Blue Dots
- Other UNICEF response countries outside Ukraine

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In countries hosting the 6.8 million Ukrainian refugees,

the majority of whom are women and children, UNICEF supports national, municipal and local systems that deliver essential services and protection, particularly for the most vulnerable children. This includes:

- **anti-trafficking training** for border guards;
- **expanding learning opportunities** and integrating refugee children into schools;
- **procuring vaccines and medical supplies;** and
- **establishing play and learning hubs** that provide young children with a much-needed sense of normalcy and respite.

Twenty-five **UNICEF-UNHCR Blue Dots** – one-stop safe havens that provide support and services for families on the move, have been established along major transit routes in Moldova, Romania, Poland, Italy, Bulgaria and Slovakia.

In Moldova, over 52,000 refugees, mostly in female-headed households, have been reached through a **UNICEF-UNHCR multi-purpose cash assistance programme**.

UNICEF APPEAL

- As of 20 May, UNICEF had received \$404.3M of its revised \$624.2M Humanitarian Action for Children Appeal for the response inside Ukraine through August 2022; and \$156.7M of its \$324.7 request for UNICEF's refugee response through end-2022.
- The revised Flash Appeal and Regional Refugee Response Plan calls for nearly US\$4.1 billion to meet the needs of 17 million people inside and outside Ukraine, including \$2.25 billion to meet escalating humanitarian needs of 8.7 million within Ukraine, until August 2022.