



Analysis on Asylum and Temporary Protection in the EU+¹ in the Context of the Ukraine Crisis Week 13 (28 March – 3 April) 2022

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Background

To ensure a timely situational picture after the Russian invasion in Ukraine on 28 February the EUAA has been monitoring the situation of asylum and temporary protection based on data exchanged within the Early warning and Preparedness System (EPS). These data are provisional, unvalidated data and therefore might differ from validated data submitted at a later date to Eurostat (according to Regulation (EU) 2020/851 amending Regulation (EC) 862/2007). The data included in this report might be subject to retroactive revisions.

Overall displacement

According to UNHCR data, from the start of the invasion on 24 February to 4 April 2022 some 4.2 million people have been displaced from Ukraine, of whom more than 3.8 million to the four EU neighbouring countries.² According to provisional estimates³ over 1.6 million persons fleeing Ukraine have been registered for temporary protection in the EU+ from the beginning of the war to 4 April 2022. During the same period, about 20 000 applications for international protection were lodged by Ukrainian nationals.

349 804 registrations for temporary protection reported in Week 13 vs just under 800 asylum applications by Ukrainians

In week 13, Ukrainians lodged just 798 applications for international protection in the EU+ (Fig. 1). In week 13 at least 349 804 persons were registered for temporary protection in 19 reporting countries, and 346 150 of them were Ukrainians (Fig. 1).

The Council of the EU adopted an implementing decision activating the temporary protection directive (TPD or 2001/55/EC) on 4 March. Since then, EU+ countries have been adopting the necessary national legislation to ensure adequate implementation,⁴ configuring electronic systems and gradually reporting to the EUAA. Registrations included in this analysis cover both such conducted under the TPD and similar provisions under national law.

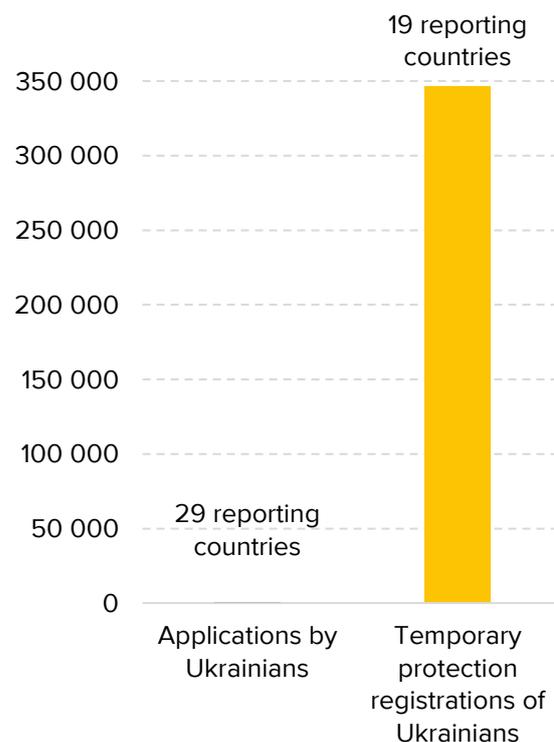


Figure 1: Asylum applications and registrations of temporary protection for Ukrainians, week 13 2022 (Source: EUAA EPS)



Almost all registrations for temporary protection covering Ukrainian nationals

The Council implementing decision envisages temporary protection for Ukrainian nationals residing in Ukraine before 24 February 2022 as well as some categories of nationals of other third countries and stateless persons who were previously residing in Ukraine.⁵

Almost 99 % of the registrations for temporary protection covered Ukrainian nationals. All reporting countries registered more Ukrainians for temporary protection than the Ukrainian asylum applications they received. Among other registered nationalities most prominent were Russians (657), Belarusians (325), Georgians (117) and Azerbaijani (109).

At least 68 % of the registered persons were female. For about 3 % the sex was not reported.

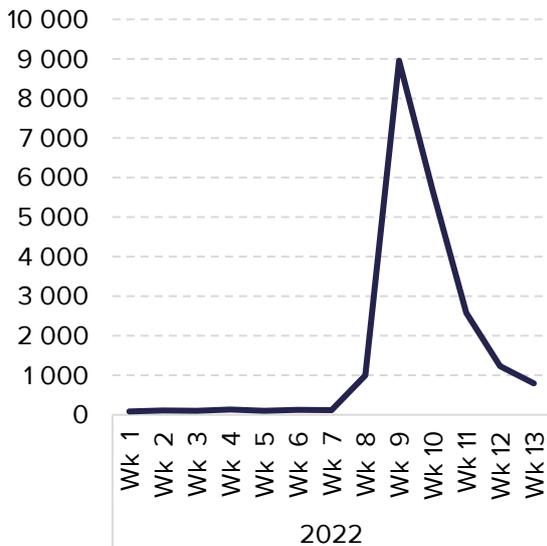


Figure 2: Weekly Ukrainian asylum applications: total in the EU+, week 1-13 2022 (Source: EUAA EPS)

Persistent decrease in asylum applications almost everywhere

In week 13, Ukrainian asylum applications declined for the fourth consecutive week (Fig. 2). There were more applications than before the start of the war (they fluctuated around 110 in the first seven weeks of 2022) but fewer than in week 8 (993), when the Russian invasion of Ukraine began. The persistent decrease in applications had been the result of shifting pressure towards registrations for temporary protection under the TPD.

Females represented 62 % of all applicants, a slightly higher proportion than in the past week.

¹ EU Member States plus Norway and Switzerland,

² Information is compiled by UNHCR from a variety of sources. Source: UNHCR, [Operational Data Portal: Ukraine Refugee situation](#), last updated 4 April 2022.

³ Based on data on registrations for temporary protection shared with the EUAA and European Commission.

⁴ For latest information in this regard see EUAA, [Rapid response by EU+ countries to address the needs of displaced people from Ukraine, Situational Update Issue No 13](#), 24 March 2022.

⁵ Council of the EU, [Council Implementing Decision \(EU\) 2022/382](#), 4 March 2022.