



## Analysis on Asylum and Temporary Protection in the EU+ in the Context of the Ukraine Crisis Week 28 (11 – 17 July) 2022

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### Background

To ensure a timely situational picture after the Russian invasion in Ukraine, the EUAA has been monitoring the situation of asylum and temporary protection based on data exchanged within the Early warning and Preparedness System (EPS) with EU+ countries.<sup>1</sup> 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 numbers included in this report might be subject to retroactive revisions.

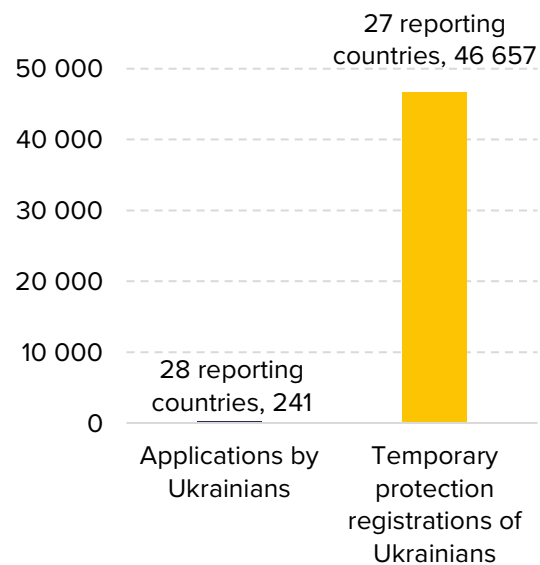
### Continuing displacement as well as returns<sup>2</sup>

According to UNHCR data, from the start of the invasion on 24 February to 12 July 2022 some 9.2 million exits from Ukraine have occurred, among which 7 million were entries from Ukraine to the four EU neighbouring countries.<sup>3</sup> Over 3.8 million persons fleeing Ukraine have registered for temporary protection in the 29 EU+ countries from the beginning of the war to 17 July 2022.<sup>4</sup> There have also been at least 3.6 million entries to Ukraine from abroad<sup>5</sup> from the start of the war until 12 July, up from 3.3 million a week earlier, which includes also back-and-forth movements.<sup>6</sup> From 21 February to 17 July 2022, some 23 300 applications for international protection were lodged by Ukrainian nationals. Within Ukraine, about 6.3 million persons were internally displaced, according to IOM estimates as of 23 June.<sup>7</sup>

### Around 46 700 registrations for temporary protection of Ukrainians vs just about 240 asylum applications in the EU+

In week 28, Ukrainians lodged 241 applications for international protection in the EU+ (Fig. 1). At the same time, at least 51 014 persons registered for temporary protection in 27 reporting countries,<sup>8</sup> of whom the vast majority (46 657) were Ukrainians (Fig. 1).<sup>9</sup>

The Council of the EU adopted an implementing decision activating the temporary protection directive (TPD or 2001/55/EC) on 4 March.<sup>10</sup> Since then, EU+ countries have been adopting the necessary national legislation to ensure adequate implementation,<sup>11</sup> configuring electronic systems and gradually reporting to the EUAA. Registrations included in this analysis cover both those conducted under the TPD and similar provisions under national law.



**Figure 1:** Asylum applications and registrations of temporary protection for Ukrainians, week 28 2022 (Source: EUAA EPS)



## Nearly all registered for temporary protection were Ukrainian nationals

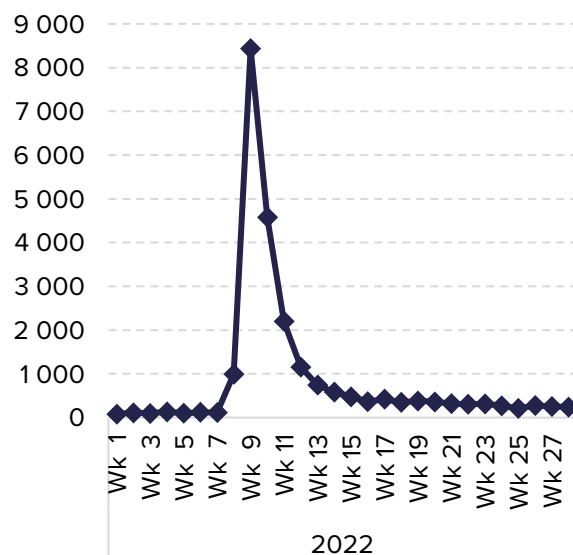
The Council decision envisages temporary protection for Ukrainian nationals residing in Ukraine before 24 February 2022 as well as some categories of nationals of other third countries and stateless persons who were previously residing in Ukraine.

In week 28, at least 91 % of those registered for temporary protection were Ukrainian nationals (but for some 6 % the citizenship could not be reported). Among other registered nationalities, the most prominent were Nigerians (147), Moroccans (143) and Russians (133).

Some 57 % of the registered persons were female but for about 8 % the sex was not reported.

## Persistent weekly fluctuations in Ukrainian asylum applications at about twice the pre-war level

In week 28, Ukrainians lodged 241 asylum applications in EU+ countries (Fig. 2). This was a decrease compared to the previous two weeks but higher than two weeks ago as well as about twice the number in the weeks immediately prior to the Russian invasion. In week 28, Ukraine was only 16<sup>th</sup> in the list of top countries of origin of asylum applicants in the EU+. Nevertheless, Ukraine remained the fourth top country of origin of asylum applicants so far in 2022.



**Figure 2:** Weekly Ukrainian asylum applications in the EU+, week 1-28 2022 (Source: EUAA EPS)

<sup>1</sup> EU Member States plus Norway and Switzerland.

<sup>2</sup> Note that due to retroactive data revisions totals to date might differ from previous reports.

<sup>3</sup> Information is compiled by UNHCR from a variety of sources. Source: UNHCR, [Operational Data Portal: Ukraine Refugee situation](#), last updated 12 July 2022.

<sup>4</sup> Data for some countries might be partially incomplete.

<sup>5</sup> This number comprises entries from Moldova, Poland, Romania and Slovakia.

<sup>6</sup> UNHCR, [Operational Data Portal: Ukraine Refugee situation](#), last updated 12 July 2022.

<sup>7</sup> IOM, [Ukraine Internal Displacement Report. General Population Survey, Round 6](#), 23 June 2022.

<sup>8</sup> Reporting did not cover the whole week for some countries.

<sup>9</sup> For some countries it was not possible to report on citizenships.

<sup>10</sup> Council of the EU, [Council Implementing Decision \(EU\) 2022/382](#), 4 March 2022.

<sup>11</sup> EUAA, [EU+ countries continue to address the protection needs of displaced persons from Ukraine](#), 21 April 2022.