

KEY FIGURES

MOBILITY WITHIN AND FROM UKRAINE, 2020 – 2024

MIGRATION AND DISPLACEMENT STATISTICS, 2022–2024

Key figures updated with data available as of 20 February 2024. Visit the dedicated [Ukraine Spotlight](#) page on the Migration Data Portal for more data and information on Ukraine, from regularly updated migration data sources and trends, to the latest on migration policies and humanitarian responses.



INTERNALLY DISPLACED PERSONS (IDPs)

As of December 2023, an estimated **3.7 MILLION PERSONS** were living in internal displacement within Ukraine, with 80 per cent of all IDPs having been displaced for longer than one year and 39 per cent of all IDPs displaced more than once.



Source: [IOM Displacement Tracking Matrix, 2024](#).

LABOUR MARKET INTEGRATION OF UKRAINIAN REFUGEES IN THE OECD

First evidence from the OECD shows that the labour market integration of Ukrainian refugees has been faster compared to other refugee groups. This may be due to the Temporary Protection Directive in European Union and similar schemes in other countries which allows refugees to immediately access the labour market, coupled with higher levels of formal qualifications and existing diaspora networks. In a few European OECD countries, the share of the working-age Ukrainian refugee population in employment is already over 40 per cent (including Poland, the United Kingdom, Lithuania, the Czech Republic, Denmark, the Netherlands and Estonia), while the share may be lower in other countries.

Source: [OECD, 2023](#).



RETURNS

As of December 2023, nearly **4.5 MILLION PEOPLE** had returned to their habitual places of residence. This figure includes people who returned after a minimum period of displacement of two weeks since February 2022, regardless of whether they returned from abroad or from displacement within Ukraine. However, individuals who returned from abroad to locations that were not their habitual places of residence in Ukraine are not included in this figure.

Source: [IOM Displacement Tracking Matrix, 2024](#).

THIRD COUNTRY NATIONALS (TCNs)

As of 24 January 2024, more than **1.2 MILLION TCN BORDER CROSSINGS** from Ukraine to neighbouring countries and nearly 1.1 million TCN movements to Ukraine from neighbouring countries have been registered since 24 February 2024. This figure refers to the number of crossings and not to the number of individuals.

Source: [IOM Displacement Tracking Matrix, 2024](#).



REMITTANCES

Remittance flows to Ukraine decreased in the past two years from 18.1 billion USD in 2021 to 16.8 billion USD in 2022 and 15.7 billion USD in 2023, following the onset of war and restrictions on outward and inward transfers in the light of martial law ([World Bank - KNOMAD, 2023](#)). This drop may be attributed to lower-than-expected remittances from the European Union, notably from Poland, which serves as the largest source of remittances to Ukraine, and transfers are also likely to be carried by hand by people crossing back and forth through Ukraine's border ([Ratha et al., 2023](#)).

Remittances received in Ukraine as a share of the national GDP decreased from 13.9 per cent in 2022 to 9.1 per cent in 2023 ([World Bank - KNOMAD, 2023](#)).



REFUGEES

Between 24 February 2022 and 15 February 2024, nearly **6.5 MILLION REFUGEES FROM UKRAINE** have been recorded across the globe. Among these refugees, the majority (6 million or 93%) were recorded in Europe. More than 5.5 million refugees from Ukraine applied for Asylum, Temporary Protection, or similar national protection schemes in Europe. (as of 15 February 2023). The three main countries where people registered for temporary protection or similar national protection schemes were Poland (1.6 million), Germany (1.1 million) and Czechia (590,000).

Source: [UNHCR collation of statistics made available by national authorities, 2024](#).

Note: The total figure for Europe also includes Türkiye.

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INTERNATIONAL MIGRANTS IN UKRAINE



As of mid-year 2020, an estimated **5 MILLION MIGRANTS** lived in Ukraine. Of these, 75.9 per cent and 15.5 per cent were from European and Asian countries respectively.

Source: [UN DESA, 2020](#).

MOBILITY FROM UKRAINE TO THE OECD

In 2021, nearly 200,000 Ukrainians migrated to OECD countries, making them the fourth largest group of new migrants.

Additionally, approximately 4.7 million displaced Ukrainians were hosted in OECD countries as of June 2023, with Germany, Poland, and the United States of America being the largest hosts in absolute numbers. Estonia, the Czech Republic, and Lithuania received the highest numbers of refugees relative to their populations. Women comprised around 70 per cent of adult refugees.

Source: [OECD, 2023](#).

EMIGRANTS FROM UKRAINE

As of mid-year 2020, an estimated **6.1 MILLION MIGRANTS FROM UKRAINE** resided abroad. While more than 53 per cent of them resided in the Russian Federation, other top destinations included the United States of America (6%), Kazakhstan (5.8%), Germany (4.7%), Poland (4.4%), Italy (4%), Belarus (3.6%), Czechia (2.1%), Israel (2.1%) and Uzbekistan (2%).

Source: [UN DESA, 2020](#).



INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS IN UKRAINE



According to the Ukrainian State Center for International Education (of the Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine), Ukraine hosted **51,676 INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS** as of 31 January 2023. More than 28 per cent of international students in Ukraine were from India and approximately 11 and 10 per cent from China and Morocco respectively. Due to the war in Ukraine, the number of international students in the country decreased by 39 per cent between 2022 and 2023.

Source: [Ukrainian State Center for International Education, 2023](#)

UKRAINIAN CITIZENS IN THE EUROPEAN UNION (EU)

Based on available data, 1.4 million Ukrainian citizens were authorized to stay in the EU with a valid residence permit as of the end of 2022. Ukrainians represented the third biggest group of non-EU citizens in the EU after Morocco (2 million) and Türkiye (1.9 million). As of 31 December 2022, the three main EU countries where Ukrainian citizens with a valid permit resided were Poland (450,000), Italy (254,000) and Czechia (199,000)

Source: [Eurostat, 2024](#).

