

Latest trends on displaced persons from Ukraine: Temporary protection and Surveys with Arriving Migrants from Ukraine

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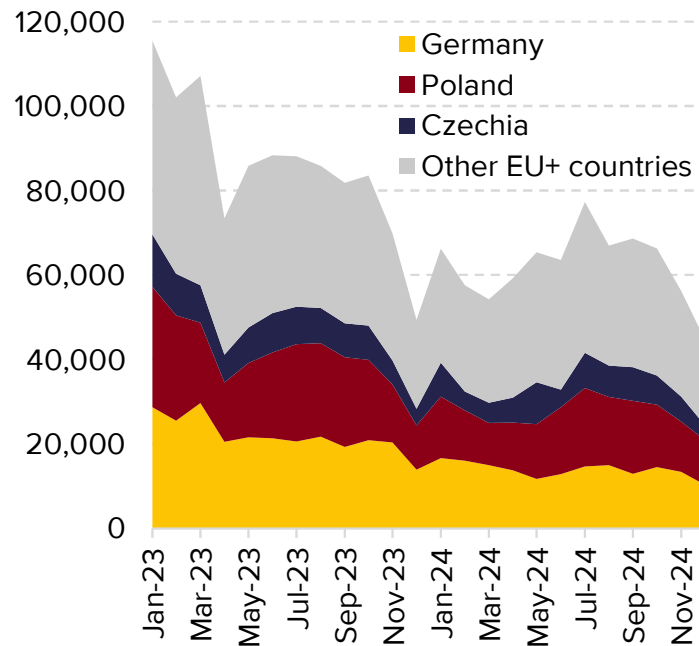




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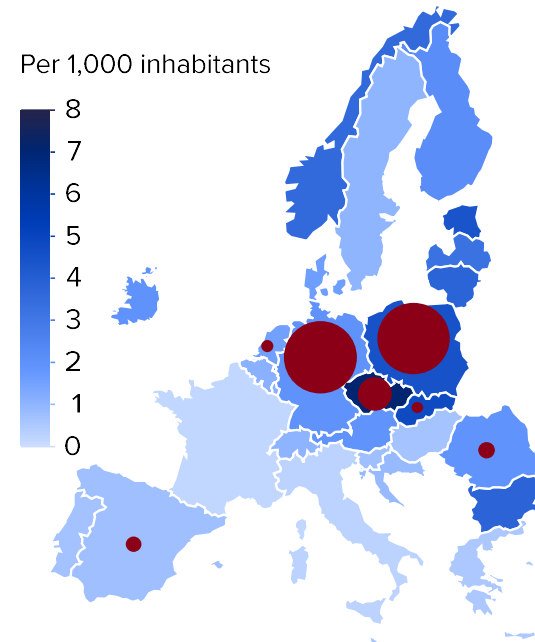
Overview on temporary protection



In 2024 Germany (167,000) and Poland (166,000) issued the most decisions granting temporary protection

Source: Eurostat
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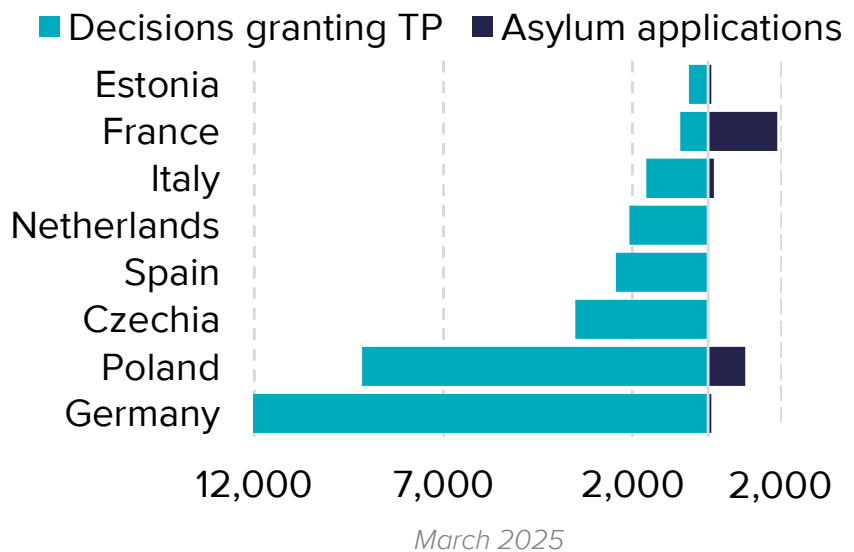
The most decisions per capita were granted by Czechia and Slovakia



Temporary and international protection so far in 2025

- 3.8 million displaced in Ukraine
- 4.4 million beneficiaries of temporary protection in the EU+
- Registrations for temporary protection decreasing to 45,000 and less in February and March 2025
- Ukrainian asylum applications rising to 3,400 in March

Notably more asylum applications than registrations for temporary protection only in France



Source: EUAA EPS, Eurostat, IOM

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Surveys with Arriving Migrants from Ukraine – SAM-UKR



The system

Online survey launched simultaneously in all EU+ countries, self-administered



Objectives

Better inform policy makers and tailor reception services



Questionnaire

Demographics, Family situation, Education, Employment, Languages, Journey, Registration Status, Future Aspirations, Returns, Back-and-forth movements, Life in host country, etc

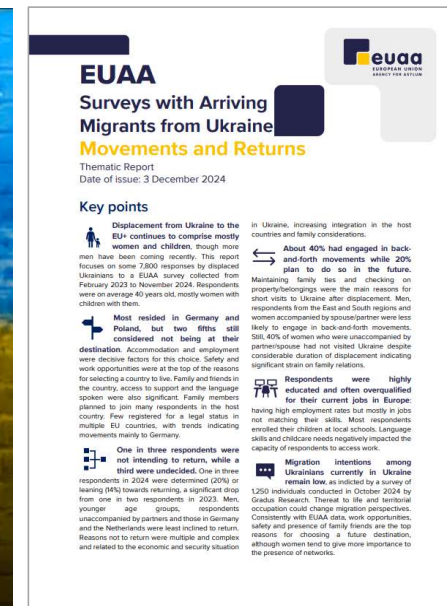


Dissemination

Email, website, social media, info sessions, poster/flyers, EUAA Ops, institutional partners, Member States

Main deliverables

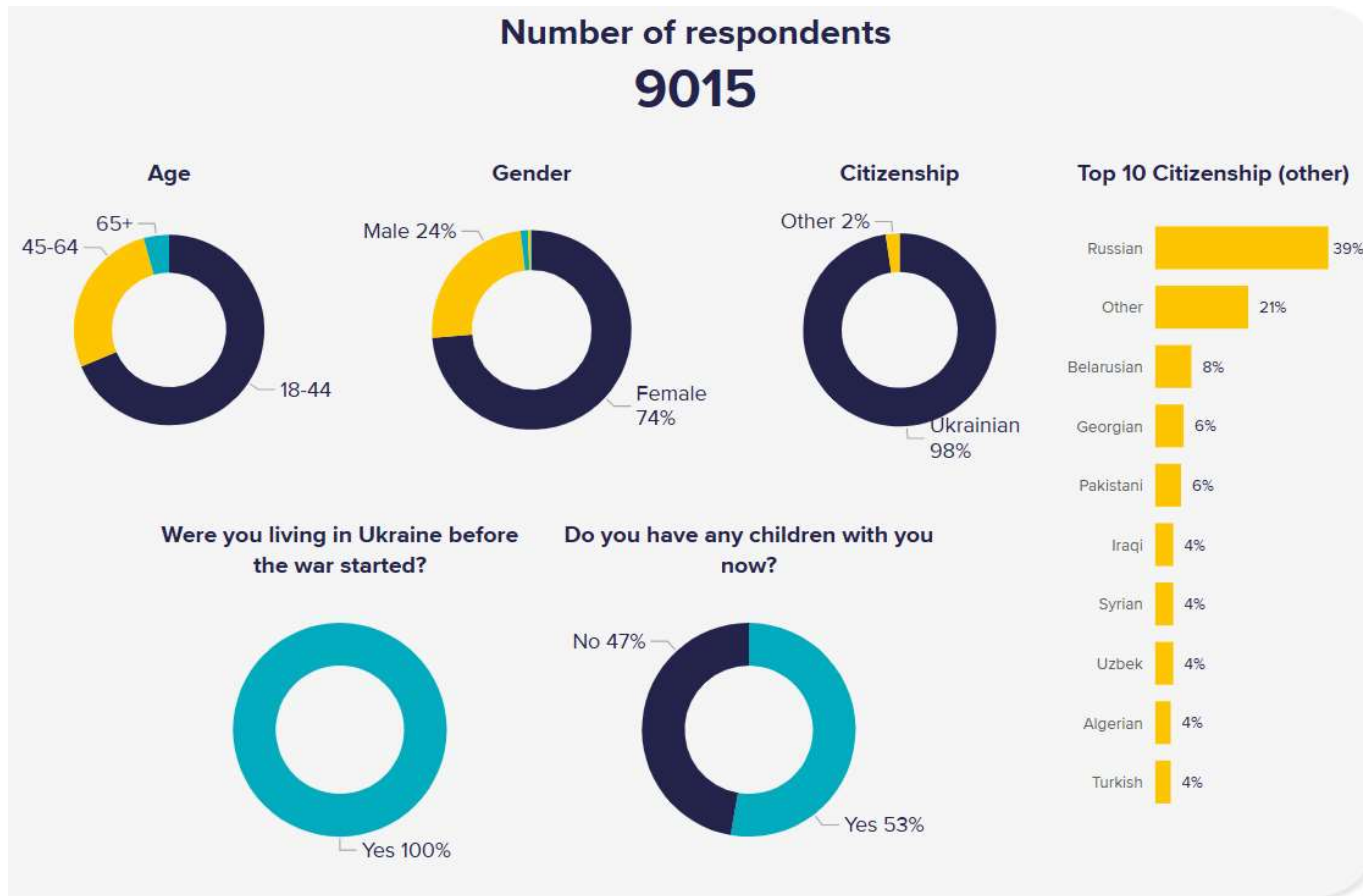
Thematic factsheets and reports



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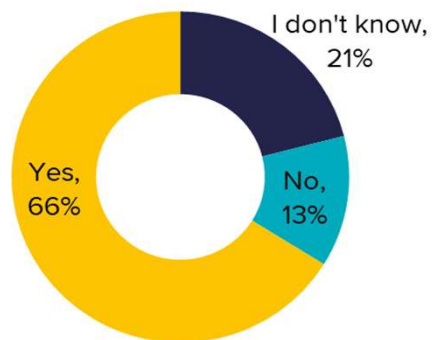
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Pull factors

Respondents at their preferred destination



Highest rates of respondents at their preferred destination in:

- Ireland, Norway (>80%)
- The Netherlands, Slovenia, Luxembourg (>75%)
- France, Germany, Portugal (>68%)

Main reasons for choosing a country:

- **Being a safe country**
- **Work opportunities**
- Family and/ or friends in the country
- Education opportunities for children
- Access to benefits and support
- Language spoken

Older (>65): higher relevance to having family or friends and access to benefits and support

Younger (below 45): higher relevance to work opportunities and education

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Movements

- **Most had not been back to Ukraine** (63%), but a quarter planned to go; **one third visited Ukraine** at least once
- **Men**, residents in the **East or South** macro-regions, **persons displaced in later waves** (2023/24) were less likely to visit Ukraine
- Frequency of visits influenced by **financial means**, and **holiday periods** (children and women)

Main reasons

Visit family and friends
Check on belongings/ properties
Provide assistance

Secondary movements influenced by:

- Bureaucratic issues related to TP and verification of documents
- Rules regarding TP renewal
- Access to support and benefits across countries
- Employment
- Accommodation
- Discrimination

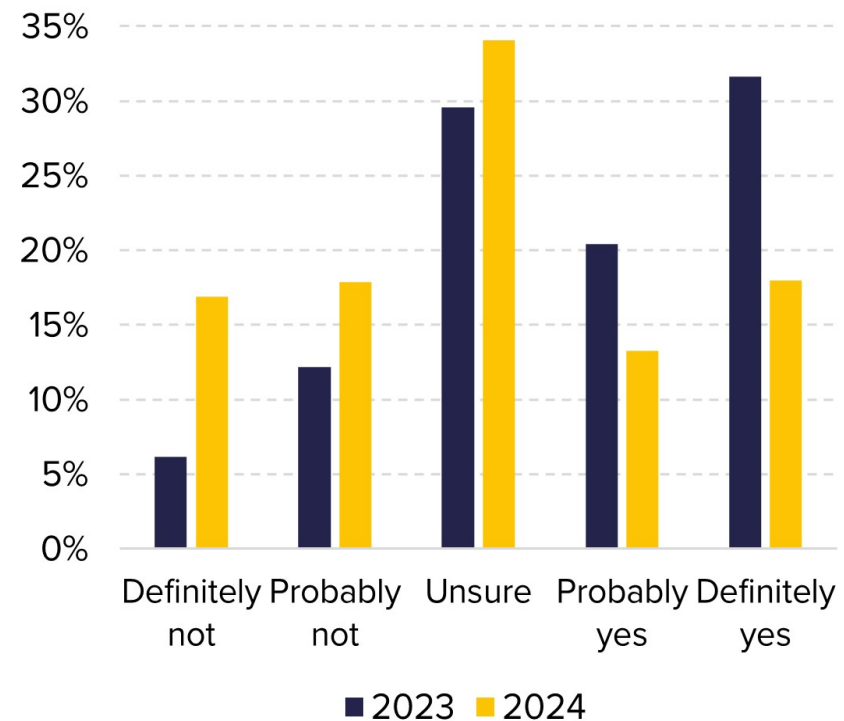
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Return intentions

- **42% intended to return** to Ukraine
 - Women and older more likely to return
 - Being employed relevant predictor
- **Return intentions decreased significantly** over time
 - Largest drop for **men**

Main reasons

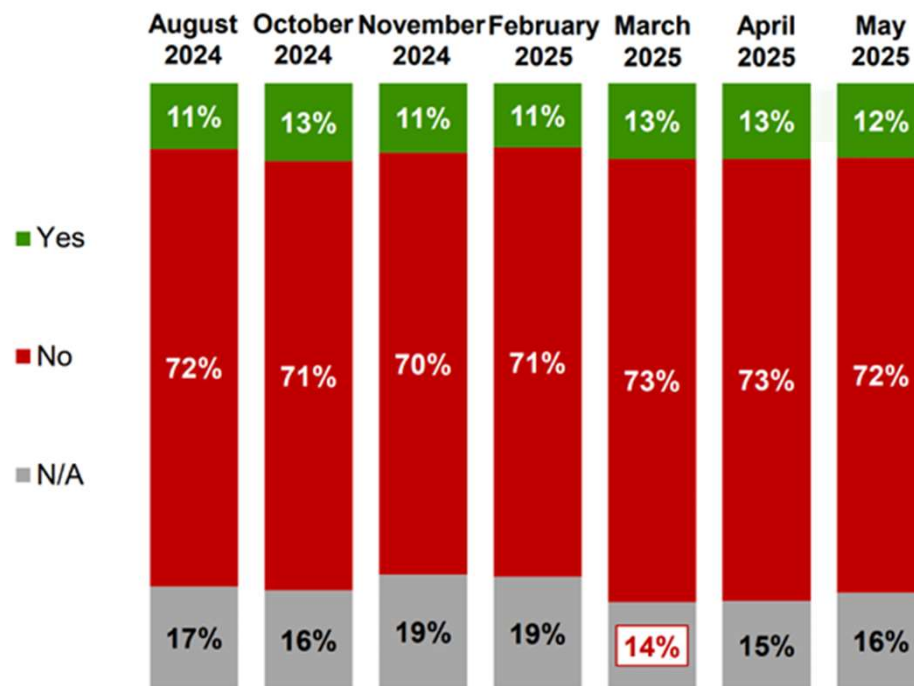
Reunite with family and friends
Wish to return to previous life
Desire to help rebuild the country



Source: EUAA SAM

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Migration intentions of Ukrainians in Ukraine



- **Intention to leave Ukraine** for temporary protection or permanent residence remains **consistently low**
- In May, **Poland** top destination, followed by Germany
- Primary factors in choosing a destination: **access to the labour market, safety**, the presence of a **support network** and **financial assistance**

¹⁰ Source: EUAA/Gradus Research Company

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