



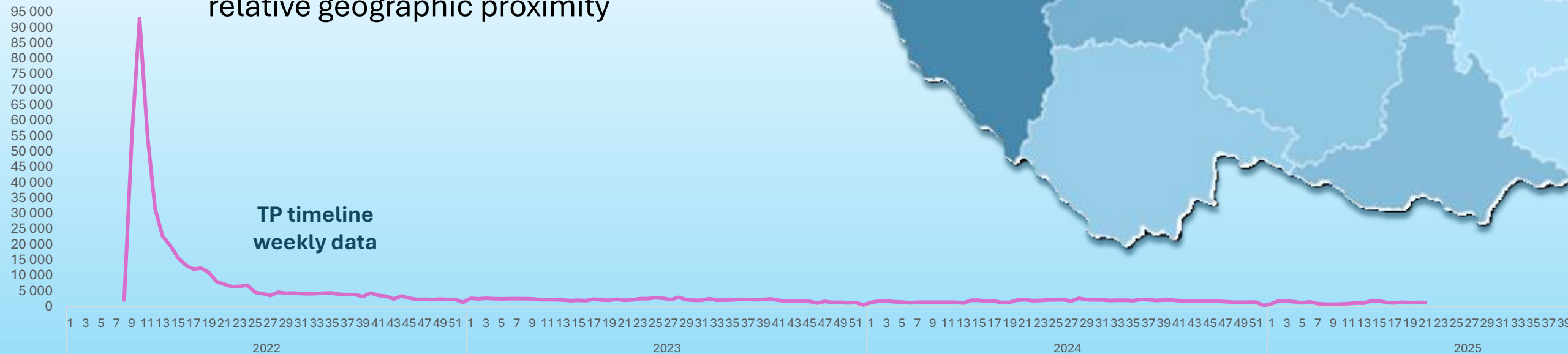
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Czechia and the migration wave from Ukraine: Taking stock and planning for next steps

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Looking back & best practices

- **Large-scale crisis** – stable but ongoing
- Unusual crisis dynamics, limited leeway – but **successful influx management**
- CZ-specific pull factors
 - pre-existing diaspora & migration patterns; relative geographic proximity



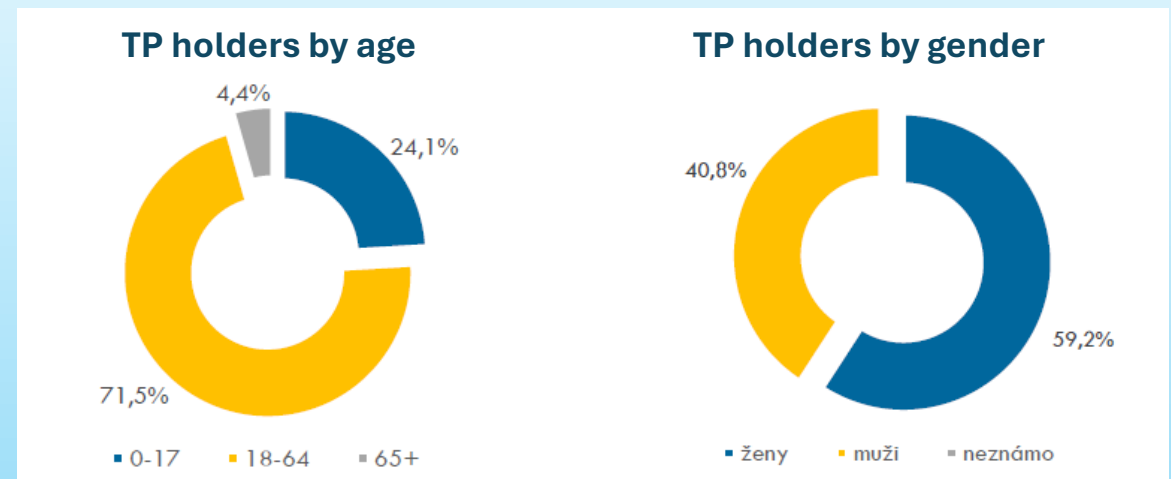
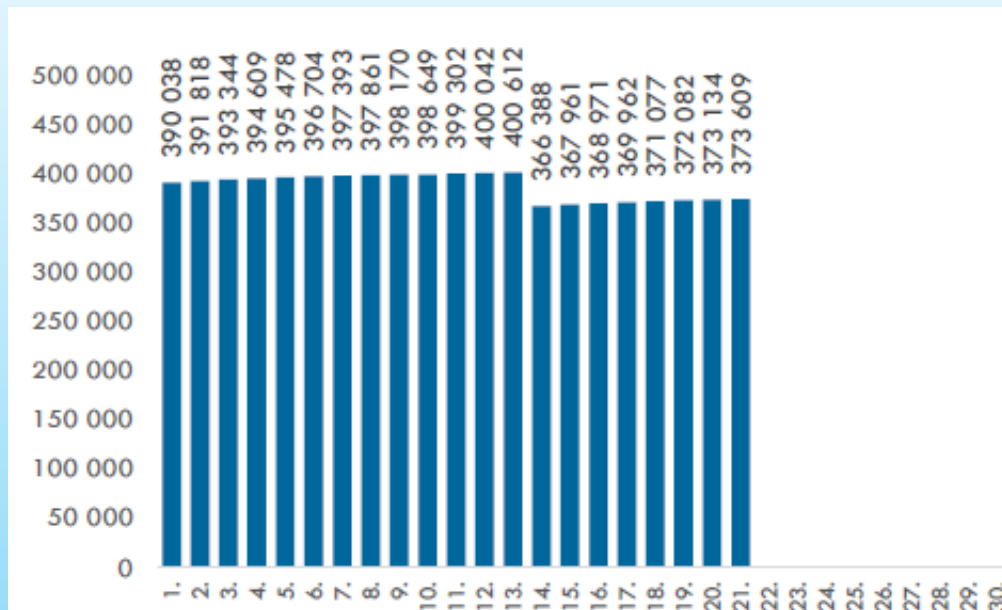
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- Lessons learned and best practices:
 - **One-stop-shop** TP procedure
 - Annual **re-registration**
 - Ad-hoc legislation
 - Centralized/dedicated **communication channels**, incl. AI tools
 - Highly **digitalized procedures** & inter-institutional data sharing
 - **Balanced social subsidies**

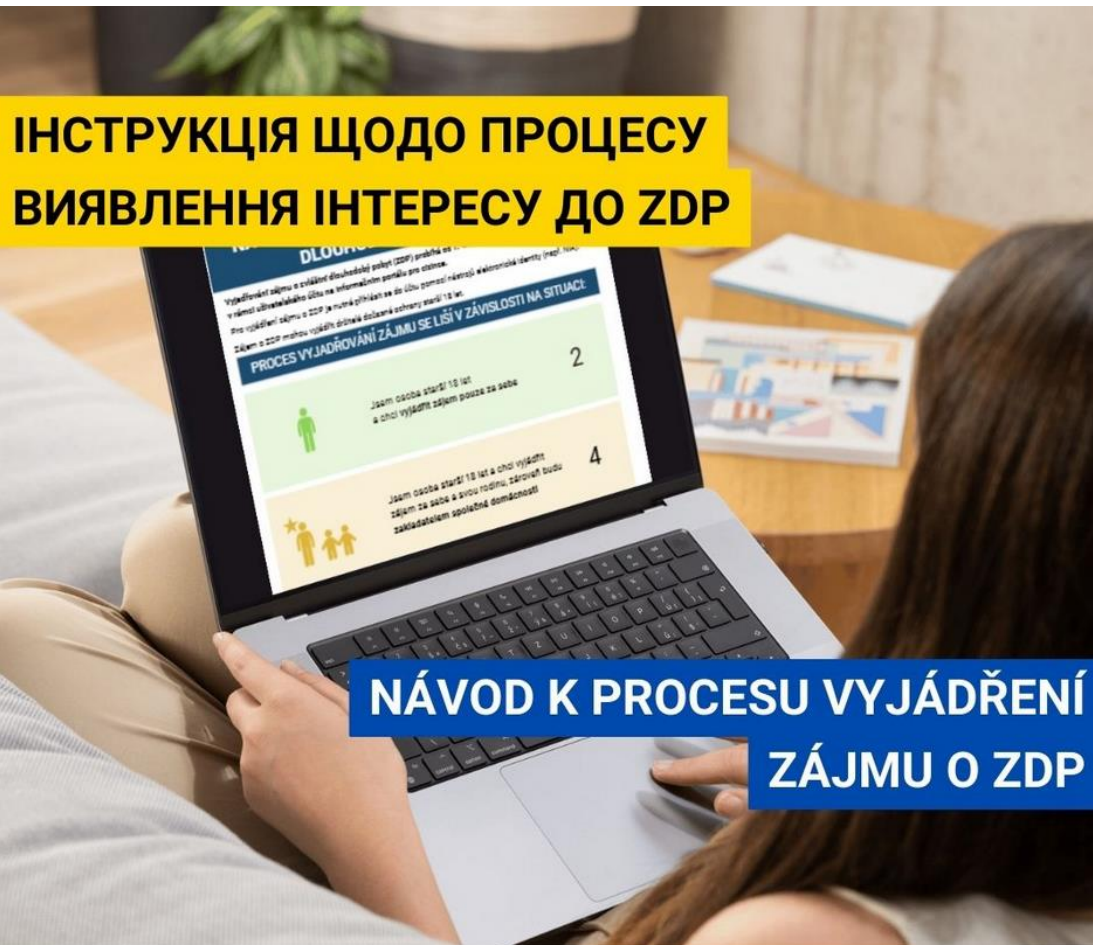


State of play

- **373 609** active TP holders
- Evolving profiles: from war refugees to **mixed migration**
- **High labor force participation**, lower-level job access
- Increasing system abuses: counterfaits, subsidy tourism, children left in UA
- Moving towards a **long-term solution** (*special long-term residence permit*)



Next steps: what to do *now*



- Fighting systems abuse
- Opening up **legal migration** channels
- Allowing for **selective transition into long-term residence**
- Scaling-up the **overall migration system** (incl. with EU funding)



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Next steps: looking onwards

- (Broad-)scenario-based approach
 - *Conflict escalation*: further waves manageable with **objective limitations**
 - *No changes / frozen conflict*: restarting **work migration**, gradual/**selective paths to long-term stay**, facilitating **returns**, promoting **integration**
 - *Conflict ends/stops*: preventing additional/**secondary movements**; setting up access to residence/**return policy**; protecting asylum
- EU coordination needed as concerns: **limiting secondary movements**; **protecting the asylum system**; harmonizing return/reintegration packages
- ... with **flexibility for long-term solutions** on the national level & **the balancing of priorities**

Thank you for your attention.

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