

Denmark

September 2022

Denmark is a **very important donor for UNHCR's global activities**, enabling UNHCR to address humanitarian needs and strengthen capacity building in host countries.

Denmark is a **founding member of UNHCR's ExCom** and played a key role in the discussion on the Global Compact on Refugees and the Solutions Alliance.

Denmark has a **well-established national asylum and reception system** with an independent appeals body.

POPULATION OF CONCERN as of 30 June 2022*

Refugees	63,213
Asylum-seekers	2,928
Stateless persons	11,644

TOP THREE COUNTRIES OF ORIGIN*

Refugees		Asylum-seekers	
Ukraine	27,954	Ukraine	1,191
Syrian Arab Rep.	19,424	Afghanistan	561
Eritrea	5,885	Syrian Arab Rep.	203

*Source: UNHCR provisional mid-year 2022 data

UKRAINE REFUGEE SITUATION RESPONSE

As of 30 September, **35,193** refugees from Ukraine are currently present in Denmark.

33,161 refugees from Ukraine are registered for temporary protection.

UNHCR response: Protection monitoring and assessment, including of implementation of temporary protection framework and dialogue with refugees from Ukraine.

Essential items and services, such as housing, food, daily allowance, health care and education are provided by the Government to newly arrived refugees from Ukraine.

Support to the most vulnerable: Governments and civil society scaled up support to protect children, and to prevent gender-based violence.

Coordination: UNHCR participates in monitoring and inter-agency assessments of the needs of Ukrainian refugees to help inform the government and organizations on how to address these needs.

HIGHLIGHTS

Refugee or other protection status

932 individuals were granted refugee status or another form of protection in Denmark during the first eight months of 2022, in addition to 27,608 refugees from Ukraine granted protection under the Special Act on Temporary Residence Permits for Persons Displaced from Ukraine, in comparison to 2021 when 1,362 individuals were granted protection.

18 asylum centres

are hosting asylum-seekers during the asylum process, including centres for unaccompanied children and for people with specific needs. In addition, there are 6 centres that stand ready for use in case of need.

7th largest government donor

Denmark is *one of UNHCR's strongest supporters of operations around the world*, reflecting some of its *foreign policy objectives*.

Over 25% of working-age people

displaced from Ukraine have secured employment in Denmark since May 2022 after receiving a residence permit.

UNHCR PARTICIPATED AT THE DANISH POLITICAL FESTIVAL FOLKEMØDET IN BORNHOLM



Storytellers Nadia, Mousa and Salah from DFUNK shared about their plight, desperate journeys, and arriving in Europe and Denmark.

Key Priorities

- **Asylum procedures:** UNHCR promotes fair and efficient asylum procedures and supports the national asylum authorities in Denmark to continuously improve the asylum system, through quality initiatives and other forms of capacity building. UNHCR has called on Denmark not to pursue its plans to externalize its responsibilities under the 1951 Convention to a third country.
- **Family Reunification:** UNHCR advocates with partners for reducing and removing practical, legal and financial obstacles to family reunification.
- **Resettlement and Complementary Pathways:** UNHCR recommends Denmark to gradually increase and broaden the Danish resettlement quota and introduce complementary pathways, including work and study visa, as a demonstration of responsibility sharing and global solidarity for refugee protection.
- **Integration:** The integration of refugees into Danish society is facilitated through comprehensive efforts. UNHCR calls on Denmark to review its current system with short-term permits subject to regular review as this unsettles refugees and hinders their integration.
- **Advocacy:** UNHCR promotes Denmark's compliance with international and European standards relating to international protection of refugees, including access to protection. UNHCR seeks to support the Government to develop and strengthen national laws and policies in the area of international protection and improve public attitudes towards persons of concern to UNHCR.

Working with Partners

- UNHCR works with the Ministry of Immigration and Integration, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, and the Danish migration authorities to support legal and policy development. With Danish research institutions, civil society actors and local municipalities, UNHCR helps foster successful local integration of refugees in Denmark.
- **External Engagement:** UNHCR works with partners to raise awareness on asylum and statelessness issues. During events, such as the World Refugee Day and the Opinion Festivals, UNHCR promotes the inclusion of refugee voices in the public debate.

Statelessness

- Denmark is a state party to both the 1954 and 1961 Statelessness Conventions.
- UNHCR recommends Denmark to build on the commitment to end statelessness in Denmark by 2024 by establishing a statelessness determination procedure and aligning the Danish Nationality Act with international standards so that all children born stateless in Denmark will acquire citizenship automatically, or as soon as possible after birth.
- Denmark is committed to the #IBelong Campaign and contributed to the 2019 Ex Com High-Level Segment.

UNHCR Presence in Nordic and Baltic Countries*

Staff:

19 National Staff
 13 International Staff

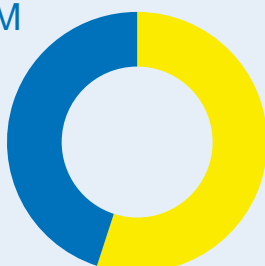
Offices:

1 Regional Office in Stockholm
 1 Liaison Office in Vilnius
 1 Sub Office in Tallinn
 1 Sub Office in Riga

Financial information* (September 2022)

Financial requirements USD 11.6 M

Funding gap
 45%
 5.3 M



Funded
 55%
 6.3 M

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