

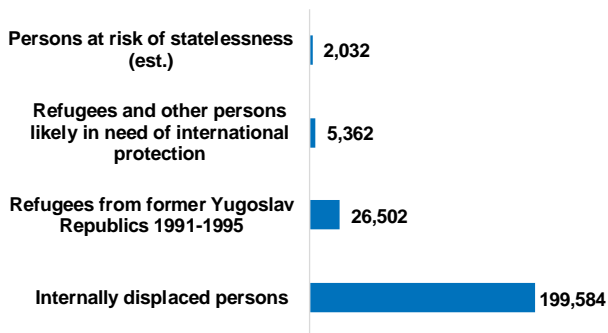
Serbia

Serbia hosts around **5,400** new asylum-seekers and refugees, over **26,500** refugees and **199,600** IDPs from the ex-Yugoslavia region, and some **2,000** persons at risk of statelessness.

Persons in need of international protection amongst newly arriving third country nationals (around **28,500** since the beginning of the year) are supported in requesting and being granted asylum and local integration. Most displaced from the region have found solutions, while cases and threat of statelessness have been reduced.

UNHCR continues to support the Government in strengthening the national asylum system and in securing sustainable developmental and institutional protection and solutions.

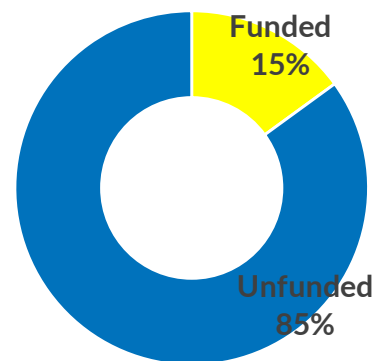
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Total: **233,480**

Source: UNHCR and Serbian Commissariat for Refugees and Migration

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UNHCR PRESENCE

Personnel:

29 National Staff
4 International Staff
17 Affiliate Staff
Total: 50

Offices:

UNHCR Representation in Serbia,
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Presence:

CO in Belgrade, FU in South Serbia, regular monitoring presence in five Asylum Centres and 25 other sites across the country



*This donut shop in Belgrade was opened and is run by a refugee family
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Working with Partners

- UNHCR Serbia enjoys close cooperation with the Ministries of Foreign Affairs, of Labour, Employment, Veteran, and Social Affairs, of Internal Affairs, of Public Administration and Local Self-Government, with the Serbian Commissariat for Refugees and Migration (SCRM) as well as with local authorities.
- Project Partnership Agreements have been concluded with A11, Amity, the Belgrade Centre for Human Rights, the Crisis Response and Policy Centre, the Danish Refugee Council, the Humanitarian Centre for Integration and Tolerance, IDEAS, Indigo – Group for Children and Youth, International Aid Network, Praxis, Psychosocial Innovation Network, Sigma Plus and the United Nations Development Programme.
- UNHCR Serbia, together with the International Organization for Migration, co-chairs the Refugee and Migration Theme Group of the United Nations Country Team and is pro-actively engaged with development partners in the United Nations Sustainable Development Cooperation Framework, the Agenda 2030 for Sustainable Development, the Global Compact for Refugees and other inter-agency processes.

Main Activities

- UNHCR supports the Government of Serbia in strengthening the national asylum system and protection sensitive migration management in line with applicable global and regional standards and treaties.
- UNHCR and partners assist accessing asylum procedures and public services, intervene in child protection as well as SGBV prevention and response in some 30 sites across the country.
- UNHCR and partners assist a sustainable integration of recognised refugees through cash-based interventions, education and employment support.
- UNHCR provides legal aid and advocates for solutions for persons displaced within the region and, together with the OSCE, monitors beneficiary selection of the Regional Refugee Housing Programme (RHP).
- UNHCR supports authorities and civil society in creating systemic solutions to Roma lacking birth registration and personal documentation and other actions of the global #IBelong Campaign to end Statelessness.
- Operationalizing the Global Compact for Refugees, UNHCR Serbia works closely with the Government, UN and development partners, international financial institutions and other stakeholders to secure the inclusion and improvement of the situation of persons of concern in the nationalisation of sustainable development goals, the UNDAF for Serbia and other developmental processes.
- UNHCR Serbia enjoys effective regular cross-border cooperation with UNHCR teams in neighbouring countries, including Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, North Macedonia, Hungary, Montenegro and Romania.

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