



Moldova: Refugee Accommodation Centres (RACs) Monthly Needs Monitoring

Update as of 11.09.2023

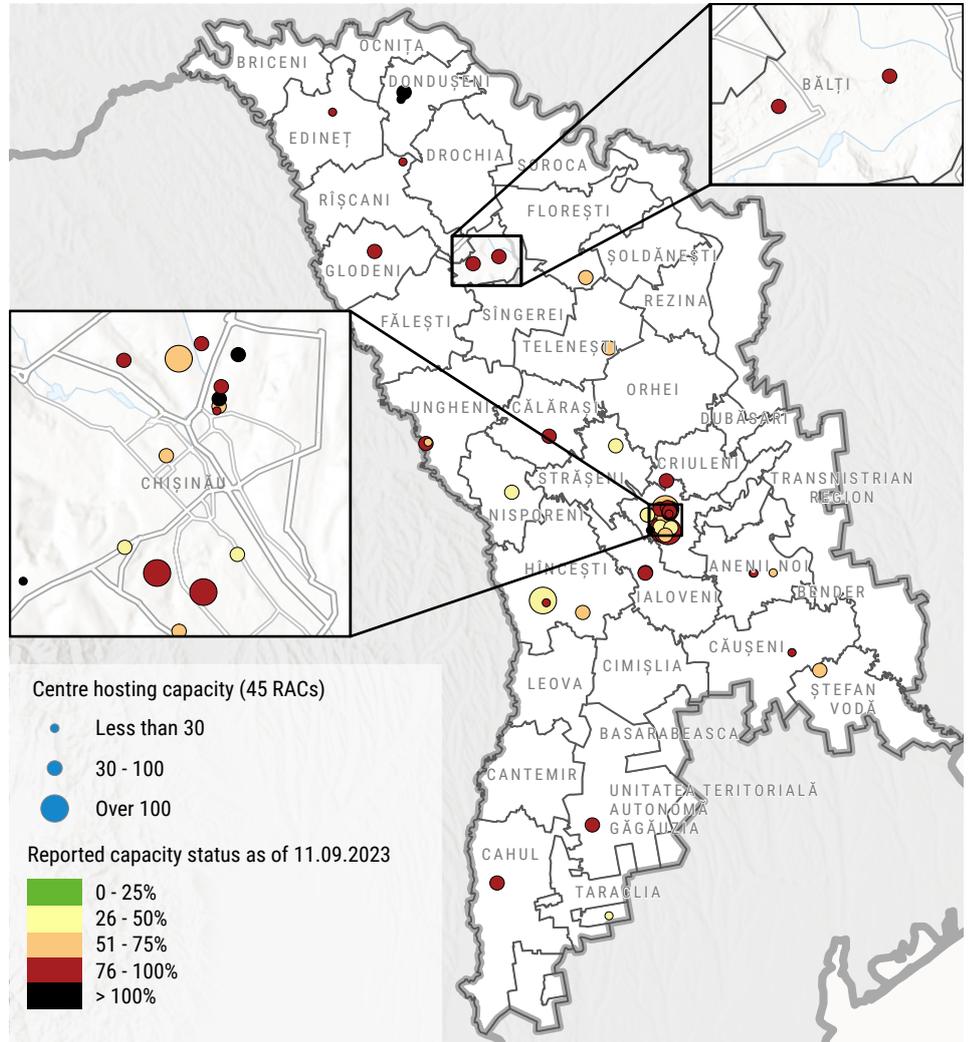
Background & Methodology

- The national authorities established a total of 136 Refugee Accommodation Centres (RACs) across the country, of which 48 remained active by 11 September 2023.
- Key informant interviews were conducted with purposefully selected RAC focal points who reported on the situation in the Centres.
- This factsheet presents the results of the data collection rounds that took place on 28 August and 11 September 2023 through phone interviews.

Round-specific findings

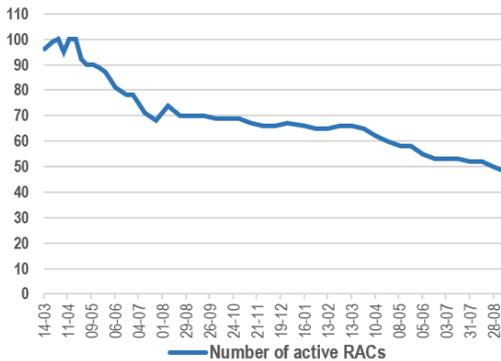
- On 14 August 2023, 52 RACs were active. Four Centres closed since then.
- The top three most requested categories of items include cleaning products (requested by 42% of RACs), personal hygiene items (31% of Centres), and food (16%).
- The reported number of current occupants who moved into the Centres from the host community is very low, standing below 1% of all occupants.

Locations of assessed RACs



Source: ANAS, Registry of Refugee Accommodation Centres, 11.09.2023.

Weekly number of active RACs



% of active RACs by hosting capacity



Reported RAC capacity

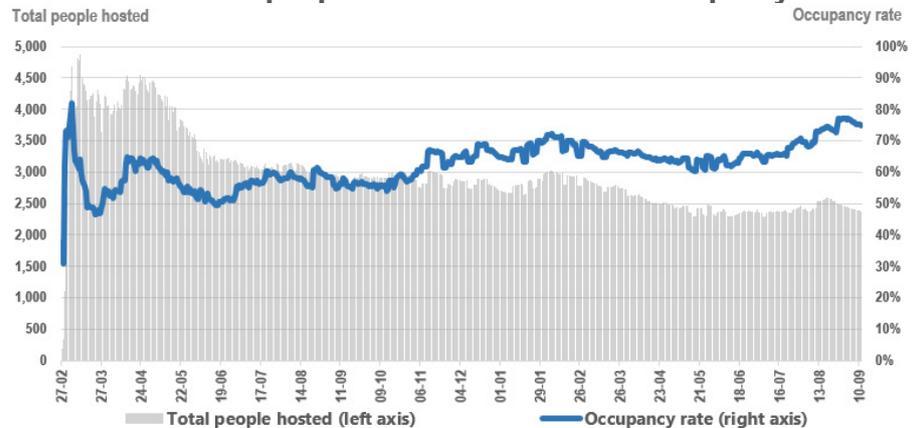
2885 available places in 45 assessed RACs



2163 Occupied places

722 Free places

Total number of people hosted in RACs and occupancy rate



Source: ANAS, Registry of Refugee Accommodation Centres, 11.09.2023.

Key information

Proportion of residents by gender

Female **61%**
Male **39%**

Proportion of residents by age

Infants (0-2 years old) **4%**
Children (2-18 years old) **34%**
Adults (19-65 years old) **49%**
Older persons (65+) **13%**

Proportion of residents by nationality

Ukrainians **80%**
Other **20%**

Proportion of residents by vulnerability group

Persons with disabilities **5.7%**
Persons with serious medical conditions **1.3%**
Pregnant and lactating women **0.2%**

Most requested items by RACs

Below is an overview of items most frequently requested by RACs during structured phone interviews with KIs. It should be noted that in view of the high rotation of refugees going in and out of RACs, the requested items are based on ongoing requirements for normal RAC functioning. **These requests do not necessarily mean RACs do not currently have the requested items. Rather, these requests may be based on forward-looking considerations about maintaining steady supplies. Hot meals have been distributed by the government, UN agencies, NGOs and local organisations, and no major shortages of essential food items have been reported.**

Types of items	% of assessed RACs requesting items in:					Percentage point change since previous round
	17 Jul round	31 Jul round	14 Aug round	28 Aug round	11 Sep round	
 Hygiene items (personal care)	27%	37%	30%	38%	31%	↓ -7%
 Cleaning items	33%	39%	28%	38%	42%	↑ +4%
 Appliances	4%	10%	2%	2%	9%	↑ +7%
 Sleeping items	0%	4%	2%	0%	7%	↑ +7%
 Infant products	4%	4%	8%	4%	11%	↑ +7%
 First aid supplies	2%	4%	4%	2%	2%	→ 0%
 Clothing items	0%	6%	2%	2%	11%	↑ +9%
 Items for older persons and people with disabilities	0%	0%	2%	2%	2%	→ 0%

District-level information

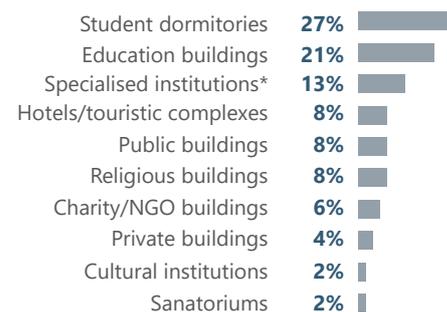
District	No. of RACs	Capacity	No. of people hosted	Available places	Capacity level	No. of children	No. of people with disabilities
Anenii Noi	3	90	58	32	64%	24	1
Bălți*	2	186	166	20	89%	53	11
Cahul	1	40	32	8	80%	10	0
Călărași	1	50	47	3	94%	12	6
Căușeni	1	20	16	4	80%	10	0
Chișinău	17	1241	965	276	78%	325	48
Comrat	2	130	103	27	79%	45	2
Criuleni	1	100	87	13	87%	43	4
Dondușeni	1	80	84	-4	105%	29	11
Drochia	1	20	26	-6	130%	13	4
Edineț	1	22	17	5	77%	10	0
Florești	1	36	21	15	58%	9	1
Glodeni	1	80	71	9	89%	46	0
Hîncești	3	220	117	103	53%	37	14
Ialoveni	2	170	105	65	62%	68	1
Nisporeni	1	100	50	50	50%	25	0
Rîșcani	1	20	17	3	85%	2	1
Strășeni*	1	40	11	29	28%	1	9
Ștefan Vodă	1	100	63	37	63%	35	3
Telenești	1	40	28	12	70%	11	1
Ungheni	2	100	79	21	79%	25	6

Source: ANAS, Registry of Refugee Accommodation Centres, 11.09.2023.

* This table includes only data based on Centres that have been assessed in this round. Therefore, 1 RAC in Bălți, 1 in Cimișlia and 1 in Strășeni are not included.

Building information

% of active RACs by type of building



*Specialised institutions include facilities normally used to provide services for people with disabilities or mental health issues.

7% of assessed RACs reportedly need to return to their previous use or close in the following timeframe:

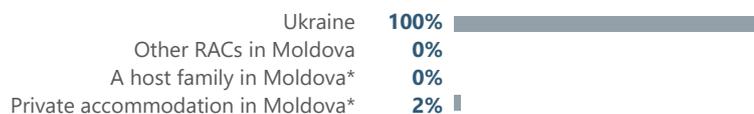


239 Number of people involved in RAC activities in the assessed RACs (employed staff, volunteers)

6 Per centre on average

Origins and movement intentions of hosted refugees

% of assessed Centres reporting on the most frequent places of origin of people arriving in the RACs¹



* An estimated total of 3 people (less than 1% of refugees hosted in RACs).

% of assessed Centres reporting on the most frequent destination of people leaving the RACs¹



¹ Multiple responses permitted. The sum might exceed 100%.

Average stay in the RACs

