

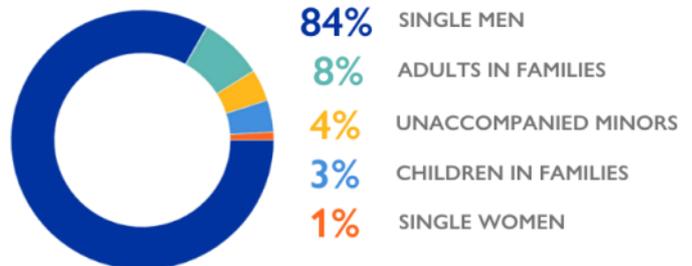
**339**  
ESTIMATED MIGRANTS AND ASYLUM-SEEKERS OUT OF TRCS IN BIH

**1,387**  
BEDS AVAILABLE IN TRCS IN BIH

### TOP 5 NATIONALITIES IN TRCs



### SEX AND AGE DISAGGREGATED DATA IN TRCs



### MONTHLY ARRIVALS RECORDED BY THE MINISTRY OF SECURITY OF BIH

	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER	TOTAL
2017	77	66	37	5	22	11	29	60	52	105	76	215	755
2018	237	479	598	1,801	2,242	2,295	2,489	2,293	3,710	5,057	1,931	935	24,067
2019	732	1,117	1,721	2,631	2,603	2,096	4,465	2,913	4,557	3,326	1,925	1,110	29,196
2020	882	2,001	1,540	112	512	1,722	2,194	2,618	1,889	1,087	1,064	529	16,150
2021	670	773	1,269	1,271	1,937	1,855	2,236	1,362	1,591	1,547	704	525	15,740
2022	429	578	907	1,951									3,865

## SITUATION OVERVIEW

On 28 April, following the decision by the Ministry of Security of BiH, TRC Miral in Velika Kladuša was closed and 154 migrants who were accommodated at the center were transferred to TRC Lipa. Transportation was organized and provided by the Service for Foreigners' Affairs (SFA) and IOM, while medical escorts were provided by DRC, upon the SFA's request. Prior to the transfer, on 26 April, the IOM Mental Health and Psychosocial Support and Protection (MHPSS) team assessed migrants for vulnerabilities within TRC Miral and closely coordinated with partner agencies on the creation of a list of the most vulnerable groups of migrants, who were then relocated from TRC Miral to TRC Lipa first. IOM also supported the SFA in informing and transporting migrants and provided a vulnerability screening of 102 migrants during the re-registration process in TRC Lipa, ensuring that all necessary services were provided.

On 30 April, within the framework of IOM's social cohesion initiatives, IOM organized different activities for migrants staying in TRC Ušivak and the local population in Donji Hadžići. The activities also involved children from Donji Hadžići generously lending their bicycles to their peers from TRC Ušivak.



TRANSPORTATION AND ESCORT OF MIGRANTS AFTER THE CLOSURE OF TRC MIRAL © IOM 2022

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## COORDINATION & MANAGEMENT

The relocation of families and unaccompanied and separated children (UASCs) from TRC Lipa to TRC Borići took place on 27 April, through coordination among the SFA, IOM, UNICEF, CWS and the Bihać Social Welfare Centre, following the decision to relocate made by the Ministry of Security. TRC Borići was identified as the main centre for accommodation of vulnerable categories, including people travelling in families as well as unaccompanied minors. In total, 25 family members and 28 UASCs were relocated from TRC Lipa to TRC Borići. IOM's CCCM Coordinator in TRC Borići held several meetings with partner organizations and representatives of local institutions to agree on a transition process and enable the provision of all relevant services to newly arrived migrants. Family members were accommodated with the general population in the main building of TRC Borići while UASC were accommodated in new accommodation units/containers located on the plateau behind the center. All of them received welcome packages, including bedding hygiene products and other non-food items (NFI). They were also introduced to the TRC Borići house rules.

In TRC Blažuj and TRC Ušivak, a delegation of representatives to the Parliamentary Assembly of BiH visited and met with the CCCM Coordinators and SFA representatives to review migration management systems. CCCM coordinators presented the standard procedures and services in the Centre provided by IOM, as well as by partner organizations.

## PROTECTION, PARTICIPATION & ACCOUNTABILITY

In TRC Blažuj, on 28 April, the IOM Protection team held a first protection coordination meeting with partner organizations responsible for protection related activities. The Protection framework and basic guidelines were shared by IOM Protection and MHPSS staff. Afterwards, suggestions and existing cases were discussed, and further steps were agreed upon.

A set of creative workshops was held in the social corner of TRC Blažuj on 26 and 28 April. The workshops were implemented by the partner association Scena from Sarajevo. Numerous social games were held with beneficiaries in the green zone (designated part of the centre for UASC) aimed at improving communication and relationships, exploring issues of different cultures, countries and communities, celebrating diversity in the creative space, encouraging participants to gain confidence and talk in front of a group, promoting dialogue and observation, and exchanging and taking responsibility.

In TRC Lipa, for the celebration of Eid al-Fitr, IOM and the SFA organized Eid prayers for the migrants with the assistance of Bihać Islamic Community Majlis, which assigned a local Imam for the prayer. The interaction with the local community was appreciated by migrant participants.

**# of persons referred to partner organizations: 29**



DELEGATION OF REPRESENTATIVES TO THE PARLIAMENTARY ASSEMBLY OF BIH VISIT TRC BLAŽUJ ©IOM 2022

## SHELTER, WATER, SANITATION & HYGIENE (WASH)

IOM's maintenance and cleaning team inspects all TRC installations daily, with two cleanings per day, weekly disinfection, disinfestation, and derating (DDD) measures, and regular repairs on shelters and sanitary installations.

During the reporting period, 38 persons used the Mother and Baby Washing Unit (MBWU) services, including 17 mothers and 21 children.

**# of persons sheltered: 1,613**

**# persons assisted by the IOM MBWU: 38**

**# of persons assisted with laundry services: 598**

## FOOD & NON-FOOD ITEMS (NFI)

In all TRCs, IOM conducted its regular food and NFI distribution activities with partner organizations such as the Red Cross and Pomoziba, with 20,524 meals and NFI items distributed during the reporting period.

IOM tracks individual nutrition needs with support of medical personnel and provides adapted menus when medically prescribed.

**# of meals distributed: 16,653**

**# of NFIs distributed: 11,017**

## ASSISTANCE OUTSIDE OF RECEPTION FACILITIES

The IOM Outreach team is present in locations outside of TRCs, to increase access to information and services, with the aim to reduce the number of migrants camping or squatting in abandoned buildings. The IOM Outreach team screens for vulnerabilities, provides emergency assistance, and transports migrants to TRCs upon request.

During the reporting period, the IOM Outreach team organized 410 information sessions, 6 psychological first aid (PFA) sessions, 43 transportation services for 150 migrants, and distribution of 479 food items and 590 non-food items. A total of 115 migrants accepted accommodation in TRCs and were transported by IOM, including 74 persons to TRC Lipa, 32 to TRC Borići, 5 to TRC Ušivak and 4 to TRC Blažuj.

**# of persons transported to TRCs: 150**

**# of information sessions: 410**



EID PRAYERS WITH LOCAL IMAM IN TRC LIPA ©IOM 2022

## The power of sport

With organizational support from IOM and through social cohesion activities intended to bridge the gap between local populations and migrants, female migrants accommodated in TRC Borići regularly participate in volleyball training with women and girls from the local community. It is a great opportunity for everyone to learn something new, enhance their skills, share knowledge, and get to know each other better. Through volleyball – with every back set, block, shot, decoy, hit, and even with every foul – team spirit rises. There is laughter, positive vibes, and friendships developed through teamwork and trust. Through play and competition, success and failure, new friendships are being forged while everyone enjoys themselves.

Currently, girls in families account for approximately 2 per cent, single adult women account for approximately 1.7 per cent, and adult women in families account for approximately 5 per cent of the total migrant population accommodated in BiH.



VOLLEYBALL TRAINING FOR GIRLS AND WOMEN FROM TRC BORIĆI  
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## RETURN & ALTERNATIVE SOLUTIONS

IOM's Return and Reintegration team provides administrative, logistical and financial support, including reintegration assistance, to migrants who decide to return to their country of origin. During the reporting week, IOM provided information on assisted voluntary return and reintegration (AVRR) to 32 migrants in BiH, including nine in TRCs and 23 in off-site locations. A total of 68 in-depth counselling sessions were held to ensure that beneficiaries are well informed and aware of the assistance they can receive pre-departure, during travel, and in the post-arrival period. In the reporting period, there were no assisted voluntary returns. In TRC Ušivak, on April 29, the AVRR team held information sessions for 12 UASC beneficiaries in the presence of their legal guardians. The purpose of this event was to inform minors about the benefits and possibilities of voluntary return to countries of origin as well to inform them about key details and the duration of the AVRR process for UASCs.

# Assisted Voluntary Returns since 2018: **1,238**

# Assisted Voluntary Returns in 2022: **43**

## SAFETY & SECURITY

No major incidents were registered in TRCs. Violations of house rules were the most common reported security issues during the week.

## MAIN GAPS

Additional support to the migration response in BiH is needed. The top priority remains funding for food and non-food items for migrants living in TRCs and those sleeping outside of TRCs. Funding is also needed for critical repairs and the running costs of TRCs. IOM and its partners are exploring ways to complement funding to ensure preparedness and response to emergencies.

Capacity-building remains a priority to progress towards the overarching goal of ensuring state ownership of the emergency response.



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