



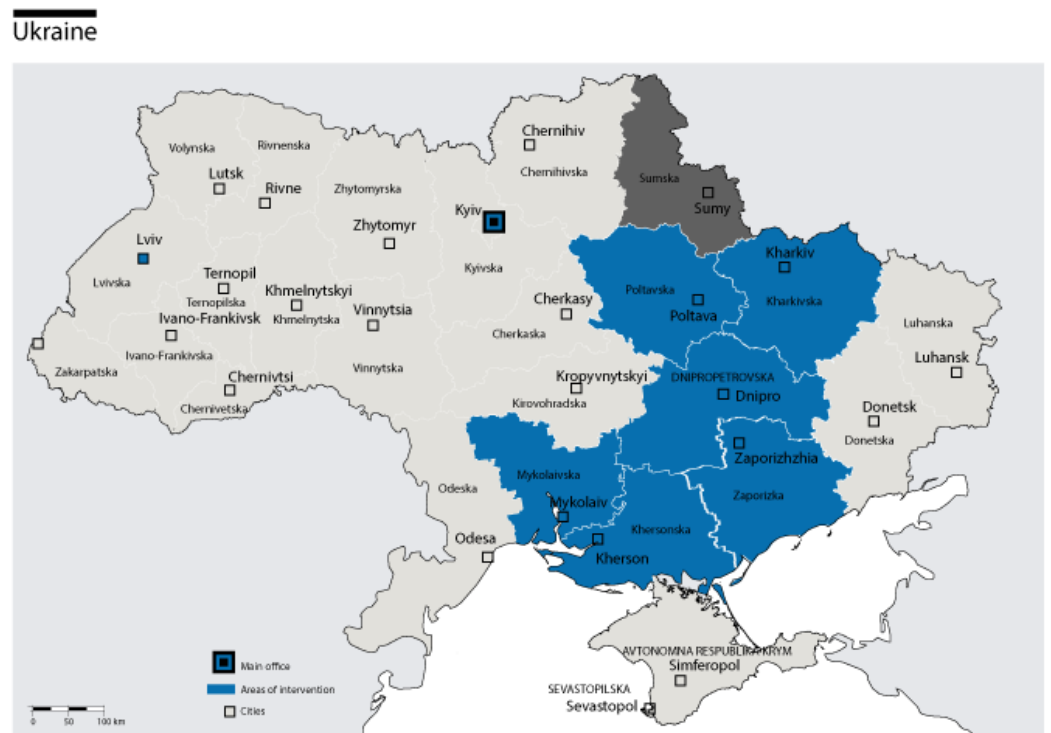
© H. Kostenko / HI 2024. Mykolaiv, Ukraine

Country Card Ukraine



HI's Team and areas of intervention

There are 275 employees on HI's team in Ukraine, including 250 national staff members and 25 international staff members (as at October 2024).



General Country Data

a. HI internal classifications of the country context

Level of violence	Operations Director Focus	Health Focus	Positioning Focus	Emergency Focus

b. General data

Country	Ukraine	France
Population	36,744,634 (2023)	67,499,343
IHDI	0.676 (2022)	0.820
Gender development Index	1.021 (2024)	0,987152994137522
Maternal mortality	17 (2020)	8
GINI Index	25.6 (2020)	30.7
Population under UNHCR mandate	5.9 million (2024)	710.980 (2023)
INFORM index	5.1 (2024)	2.4
Fragile states index	95.9 (2023)	28.8
Public social protection	73 (2022)	100
Net Official Development Assistance received	29 billion (2022)	N/A

c. Humanitarian law instruments ratified by the country

International law instruments	Status
Geneva Conventions (1949)	Ratified
Additional Protocols (I) and (II) to the Geneva Conventions (1977)	Ratified
Convention on the Rights of the Child (1989)	Ratified
Convention prohibiting Certain Conventional Weapons (1980)	Ratified
Convention prohibiting Chemical Weapons (1993)	Ratified
Mine Ban Treaty (1997)	Ratified
Convention on Cluster Munitions (2008)	Not Party
Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (2006)	Ratified

International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (1966)	Ratified (with reservations)
European Convention on Human Rights (1950)	Ratified
Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (1968)	Ratified

d. Geopolitical analysis

Since 24 February 2022

Since Russia's full-scale invasion of Ukraine began, the global geopolitical landscape has shifted significantly. The conflict has led to unprecedented humanitarian, financial, and military support for Ukraine from a coalition of countries. Nations such as the United States, Canada, and members of the EU have provided advanced weaponry, training, and intelligence to bolster Ukraine's defense capabilities.

The invasion also prompted European countries to reconsider their energy dependencies, resulting in a rapid transition toward alternative energy sources. This shift has had significant economic consequences as nations explore renewable energy and diversify their energy portfolios to enhance energy security.

Moreover, the conflict has triggered a re-evaluation of defense spending, with many governments committing to increased military budgets and modernization of their armed forces.

The humanitarian toll has been devastating, with millions of Ukrainians displaced and many civilians killed or injured. In response, the international community has imposed extensive sanctions aimed at weakening the Russian economy. These sanctions have also led to shifts in global trade dynamics, with some countries in Asia and the Middle East maintaining economic relations with Russia.

The conflict has revealed global political divisions, as countries like China and India maintain neutral positions to balance their strategic and economic interests. As the war continues, the possibility of a negotiated settlement remains uncertain, with both sides holding firm positions. The situation remains fluid, with ongoing military developments and shifting alliances, which could reshape European and global security.

Ultimately, the war in Ukraine has far-reaching implications for the international order, challenging established norms and raising critical questions about the future of global security and stability.

Summary of HI's work in the country

From 2015 to 2017

HI first worked in Ukraine between 2015 and 2017, with activities in Donetsk, Dnipro, and Luhansk. Our response focused on providing rehabilitation treatment and assistive devices for vulnerable populations both in their homes and in primary health care centres, as well as on capacity building for health and social structures. Between October 2015 and February 2016, with the support of UNICEF, our teams also provided Explosive Ordnance Risk Education (EORE) to people living along the contact line. We ended our actions in Ukraine in 2017.

Since the beginning of the military conflict (February 2022)

In February 2022, in response to Russia's full-scale invasion of Ukraine, HI's emergency response teams were deployed throughout Ukraine and also in Moldova where many displaced people had fled to safety. Assessment teams were gradually deployed in Chernivtsi, Lviv, Vinnitsa, and Dnipro oblasts to assess the humanitarian needs, security constraints, and administrative environment.

Between **March and June 2022**, HI opened operational offices in some of these oblasts and launched a multisectoral emergency response to address the immediate needs of the vulnerable conflict-affected population. In **September 2022**, we opened an office in Poltava. In **March 2023**, we opened another in Kharkiv, although an Atlas warehouse had been opened in this oblast in 2022. And in the **last quarter of 2023**, we opened an office in Mykolaiv (an Atlas warehouse had been opened there in March 2023).

At end of June 2023, we closed our offices in Chernivtsi and Vinnitsa in order to focus our efforts out of the offices closest to the frontline, in Kharkiv and Mykolaiv. In June 2024, we also closed our office in Lviv.

Since **October 2024**, HI has had active bases in Dnipro, Kharkiv and Mykolaiv obklasts, a coordination office in Kyiv and a smaller office in Poltava.

Today, our response is focused on the following sectors:

- **Healthcare services** through mobile teams and in hospitals, to provide physical and functional rehabilitation and mental health and psychosocial support;

- **Armed Violence Reduction** through explosive ordnance risk education (EORE) to reduce the risk of injury by raising awareness and promoting behavioral change; victim assistance (VA) through broad and specific efforts to address the needs and rights of victims and preparation for Non-Technical Surveys to contribute to land release.
- **Protection services** to identify and assess the needs of the most vulnerable, and to support them through referrals to professionals, specific/tailored information and awareness on protection issues.
- **Inclusive humanitarian action** through training and awareness raising for the humanitarian community to protect and ensure the meaningful participation of people with disabilities.
- **Atlas Logistique** to maximize the impact of humanitarian assistance by offering **free-to-user shared logistic services (storage and transport)**, opening humanitarian access to the most difficult-to-reach populations and providing capacity building training to humanitarian actors.

Overview of current projects (as at 1 October 2024)

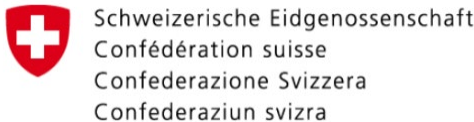
Sectors of services where HI conducts projects and focus on beneficiaries and operational partnerships

Project title and main sectors of intervention	Main activities	Beneficiaries	Partners	Location	Dates of beginning and end of the project	Donors
Health Protection Atlas Logistique DORIKA 2	Multisectoral emergency lifesaving response to populations affected by the war in frontline and hard-to-reach areas in Ukraine		Dorijka Consortium PUI lead + HI, ACF, SI, TGH	Dnipro Kharkiv Country wide for Atlas Logistique	10/2024 - 09/2025	BHA
Armed Violence Reduction	Addressing the immediate and long-term impact of the growing explosive ordnance contamination in Ukraine under the Mine Action and Cluster Munition Programme		BBC Media Action	Countrywide	04/2023 - 12/2024	BUZA
Armed Violence Reduction Protection Health Atlas Logistique	Multisectoral response for conflict-affected populations and humanitarian actors in the south and east of Ukraine			Mykolaiv Kharkiv Dnipro Poltava Country wide for	11/2023 - 12/2024	CDCS

				Atlas Logistique		
AVR Protection	Strengthening the capacities of conflict-affected populations and mine action actors to face explosive ordnance contamination in the east of Ukraine			Dnipro Kharkiv Poltava	04/2024 - 10/2025	GFFO- ADH
Armed Violence Reduction Health Protection Multi-purpose cash assistance	Strengthening the capacities and resilience of mine action actors and conflict-affected populations towards explosive ordnance contamination in the east and south of Ukraine		Mobility Robotics	Mykolaiv Kharkiv Dnipro	02/2024 - 03/2025	SDC
Inclusive Humanitarian Action	Enhancing a more inclusive humanitarian response in the east and south of Ukraine		TBD	Dnipro Kharkiv Mykolaiv	10/2024 – 03/2025	FDCO- WHO
Health Inclusive Humanitarian Action	Towards disability inclusive community health services in the east and south of Ukraine		TBD	Mykolaiv Dnipro	10/2024 – 03/2025	EU – WHO

Victim Assistance (Health, Protection, Advocacy)	Integrated Victims Assistance Approach: Delivering comprehensive and non-discriminatory assistance to survivors of explosive weapon accidents and to people with disabilities in the east of Ukraine.		DRC - lead-	Kharkiv	10/2024 - 07/2025	GFFO
--	---	--	-------------	---------	-------------------	------

Donors

USAID (BHA) 	WHO (subgrant of FCDO and EU funds) 	SDC 	BUZA 
CDCS 	GFFO 	ADH 	