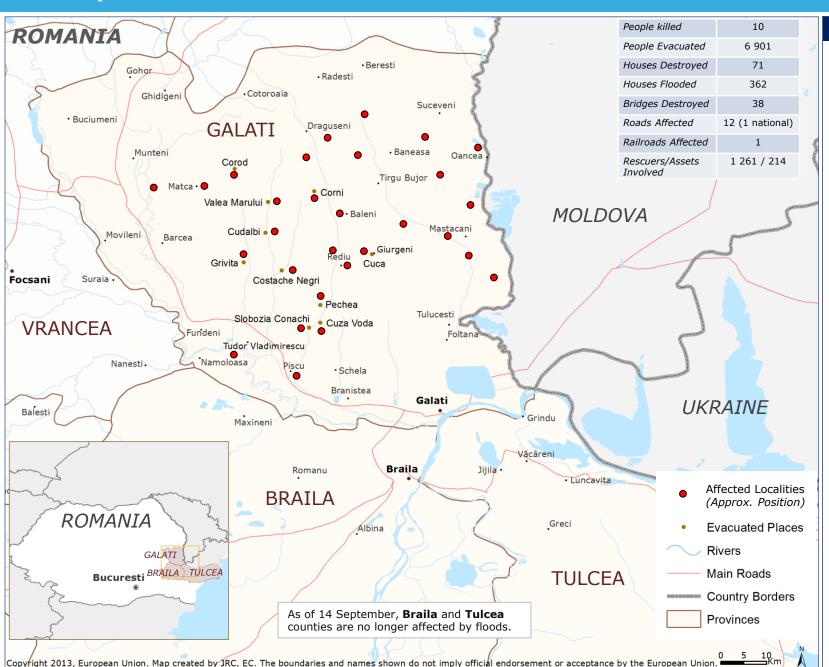
16 September 2013: Romania - Flash Floods





SITUATION

- Heavy rainfall affected eastern Romania, particularly the county of <u>Galati</u>, on 11 September. Up to 136mm of rain in 24h was measured in <u>Galati</u> on that day (<u>Romanian</u> <u>Government</u>). According to the <u>statistics</u> of the last 4 years, this is more than double the average rainfall for the whole month of September in the region.
- The heavy rainfall caused flash floods that provoked significant damage and victims in the county (for the latest figures according to the Romanian Civil Protection, see table in the map). Damage was sustained by 30 localities; most affected were Corni, Corod, Costache Negri, Cudalbi, Vodă, Grivita, Conachi and Slobozia Mărului.
- Road networks were also damaged by the floods; parts of National Road 25, leading NW from <u>Galati</u> to <u>Tecuci</u> were affected, as well as 12 country roads. According to Romanian <u>media reports</u>, as of 16 September firefighters from 3 counties were still trying to drain the water blocking the National road.
- Some damage by heavy rainfall was also reported in the city of Tulcea, SE of Galati. (Media)
- On 16 September, the Romanian Civil Protection reported that there were 1 261 people (professionals and volunteers) involved in the clean-up and relief effort, along with 2 helicopters.

Weather Outlook: The weather conditions are improving (Romanian Meteo).