

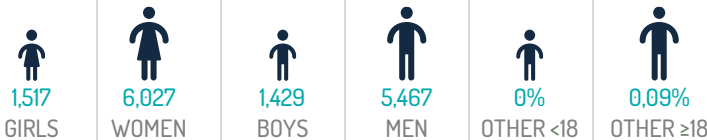


PEOPLE REACHED WITH SOME FORM OF ASSISTANCE AS OF END-APRIL

14,477

ACTIVITIES IMPLEMENTED IN 16
REGIONS OF THE COUNTRY11 ORGANIZATIONS REPORTING ACTIVITIES
*R4V appealing organizations and implementing partners

DISAGGREGATION OF PEOPLE REACHED

FUNDING SITUATION FOR 2023
REQUIREMENT: 80.7M FUNDED: 1.8 MREFUGEES AND MIGRANTS
IN CHILE

444K

PEOPLE TARGETED FOR
ASSISTANCE IN 2023

190.4K

HIGHLIGHTS

- Within the framework of the **RMNA process**, the National Platform of Chile will for the first time carry out a **Joint Needs Assessment (JNA)** to collect **primary data** on the priority needs of the Venezuelan population residing in Chile. Thus, the first workshop to develop the JNA questionnaire was held in April with a large participation of R4V partners.
- To **enhance the collaboration** among R4V partners, the first national plenary session of 2023 was held on 4 April. The meeting provided an opportunity to strategize and coordinate efforts for the year ahead, taking into account the current context of refugees and migrants in Chile.

SITUATION

- In a recent report by the National Statistics Institute, it was revealed that [out of the 996,458 foreign workers in the country, 476,451 are Venezuelans](#). Approximately 32 percent of them work informally. Additionally, the National Migration Service (SERMIG, for its acronym in Spanish) reported that 119,666 work visas were provided to refugees and migrants from Venezuela in 2022.
- To identify the foreigners who have entered Chile through unofficial border points in recent years, the SERMIG will start implementing a [biometric registration process](#) in June. The SERMIG will use the data base collected for its incorporation into the National Registry of Foreigners and the design of public policies.
- The Citizen Security Commission of the Congress debated a [bill that modifies the Migration Law](#) which seeks to establish the crime of irregular entry into national territory. If approved, whoever is caught entering Chile through an unofficial border point or evading the migration control will be penalized. The sanctions will be applied to those who are not eligible for asylum in Chile.
- Following the border militarization measures taken by the governments of Chile and Peru, around [200 refugees and migrants](#), including children, pregnant persons, and the elderly, found themselves in Chile stranded at the "Línea de la Concordia" ("Concord Line"). This border, which lies along the Arica-Tacna route, serves as the international political divide between the two countries. The majority of the affected were Venezuelan citizens seeking to return to their home country. [Amnesty International urged both governments to end militarization and ensure the protection of the human rights of refugees and migrants](#).
- According to the World Bank's recent report titled "[World Development Report 2023: Migrants, Refugees and Societies](#)," Chile was ranked as the second country in the Latin America region with the highest proportion of refugee and migrant population in relation to its total population. With 7.7 percent, Chile is positioned right after Costa Rica (10.1 percent).

RESPONSE

- **WASH:** In April, 674 refugees and migrants received hygiene supplies and services in the northern regions of the country, including Tarapacá and Arica and Parinacota. 49 beneficiaries received cash and voucher assistance (CVA) for purchasing WASH items.
- **FOOD SECURITY:** During April R4V partners distributed in-kind assistance and CVA, reaching 1,198 beneficiaries. The regions where most food assistance was delivered included Tarapacá, Antofagasta, Metropolitan Region, and Arica and Parinacota. Meanwhile, in the region of Los Lagos, two families benefited from cash assistance for purchasing food items. Hot food was delivered at the Lobito transit site in the Tarapacá region.
- **SHELTER:** 396 refugees and migrants from Venezuela received temporary accommodation solutions. This included 369 Venezuelans who benefited from rental housing subsidies in various regions, including the Metropolitan, Tarapacá, Maule, Arica and Parinacota regions. Additionally, 27 refugees and migrants who recently arrived in the Tarapacá region were able to access temporary shelter.
- **INTEGRATION:** R4V partners provided several initiatives in order to promote the socio-economic integration of refugees and migrants in Chile, providing support to 426 beneficiaries during April. To increase the opportunities for refugees and migrants to access decent work and improve self-reliance, the Integration Sector held various trainings on labor skills, self-employment, and



entrepreneurship. In addition, a roundtable discussion regarding employment discrimination was conducted in the Metropolitan region for public institutions and the private sector.

- **PROTECTION:** R4V partners implemented actions to strengthen protection and access to rights for refugees and migrants from Venezuela. Over 2,216 people, including children, received general protection services, including legal counseling, psychosocial support, and access to safe spaces. Additionally, R4V partners launched a [report](#) with the objective of accounting for the impacts of human mobility on refugee and migrant women at the northern border of Chile, as well as identifying their primary needs and place them at the center of the humanitarian response.
- **HEALTH:** R4V partners referred 23 children in need of specialized medical attention to receive primary care from the health system. In addition, R4V partners provided assistance in sexual and reproductive health.
- **NUTRITION:** 167 refugee and migrant children between 0 and 59 months received nutritional assessments to identify acute malnutrition.
- **CVA:** 727 refugees and migrants benefited from multipurpose cash assistance in April, facilitating their access to purchase goods and services to cover their basic needs.

DIRECT BENEFICIARIES AS OF END-APRIL 2023



WASH
2,026



Shelter
1,474



Education
876



Integration
1,111



Protection
11,504



Health
147



Food Security
4,531



Humanitarian
Transportation
33



Nutrition
167



Multipurpose
Cash Assistance
727