

REFUGEES AND MIGRANTS FROM VENEZUELA

ESTIMATE NUMBER OF VENEZUELAN REFUGEES AND MIGRANTS GLOBALLY.


 **7.71 M**

ESTIMATE NUMBER OF VENEZUELAN REFUGEES AND MIGRANTS IN LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN.

 **6.53 M**



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These figures represent the sum of Venezuelan refugees, migrants and asylum-seekers reported by host governments. They do not necessarily imply individual identification, nor registration of each individual, and may include a degree of estimation, as per each government's statistical data processing methodology, at times in collaboration with national R4V Platforms.

*This includes other countries outside the 17 Latin American and the Caribbean R4V countries. For more information on the countries included, refer to the table in the last page.

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POPULATION PER COUNTRY	
Colombia	2.89 M
Peru	1.54 M
Brazil	477.5 K
Ecuador	474.9 K
Chile	444.4 K
THE SOUTHERN CONE	
Argentina	220.6 K
Uruguay	32.9 K
Bolivia	15.9 K
Paraguay	5.3 K
THE CARIBBEAN	
Dominican Republic	124.1 K
Trinidad & Tobago	36.2 K
Guyana	21.7 K
Aruba	17.1 K
Curaçao	14.0 K
CENTRAL AMERICA & MEXICO	
Mexico	113.1 K
Panama	58.2 K
Costa Rica	29.4 K
OTHER COUNTRIES*	
	1.19 M

CONTEXT:

The statistics displayed above on refugees and migrants from Venezuela in the 17 countries of the R4V Response reflect official figures issued by the respective host governments. Their use and publishing for R4V products is closely coordinated with relevant government statistical offices and/or other national government departments responsible for management of refugee and migrant statistics. These statistics are periodically updated, with some governments updating them on a monthly basis, while others update them in other undefined intervals. As a result, an increase in reported figures from one month's R4V publication to the next in any particular country could appear as a significant increase in arrivals of refugees and migrants from Venezuela, while, in fact, it is mostly related to individual host country reporting and publishing procedures.

What is the reason for the recent increase in number of refugees and migrants from Venezuela?

BRAZIL: The increase in the number of Venezuelans requesting refugee status and residence in Brazil (477,493) is supported by data compiled by the International Transit System (ITS) of the Federal Police of the Ministry of Justice of the Federative Republic of Brazil. In the first three months of this year, there was a steady increase in the arrivals of Venezuelan refugees and migrants to Brazil, amounting to a total increase of 51,800 individuals. In addition, the month of March saw the highest monthly number of regular entries since the flexibilization of border restrictions of June 2021, with a total of 17,500 entries. Between March and June, the stock (entries - departures) increased by 29,700.

COLOMBIA: According to the October 2022 update of Migration Colombia, the Venezuelan refugee and migrant population in Colombia is 2,894,593. This figure reflects an increase of 417,005 people compared to the previous update of February 2022, when 2,477,588 Venezuelan refugees and migrants were reported in the country.

As of October 2022, the number of Venezuelan refugees and migrants in Colombia is composed of 289,228 individuals with regular status, 666,631 in the process of obtaining the Temporary Protection Status, 1,627,005 who have been granted the Temporary Protection Status and 311,729 with irregular status.

The update from Migration Colombian clarifies that the values reported are in the process of "consolidation, depuration and standardization", which implies that further updates or adjustments may be forthcoming.

ECUADOR: The stock of Venezuelan individuals in Ecuador decreased from 502,214 in May 2022 to 474,945 in June

2023. This decline can be attributed to the increased exits of individuals throughout 2022, primarily in a northward direction. These exits surpassed the entries into the country. Several external as well as internal factors may have influenced this trend (see R4V Movements Reports for regular updates to these movements trends).

The total number of Venezuelan refugees and migrants in Ecuador is determined by the cumulative official migration balance of entries and exits. This also includes estimates of irregular movements, as assessed by the GTRM Border Monitoring and Flow Characterization System. This methodology was validated by the Government of Ecuador in 2021. In light of new data from the registration and regularization processes, a technical committee has been formed, including the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the GTRM to review and update the stock calculation methodology in the coming months

MEXICO: As of August 2023, the estimated population of Venezuelans in-destination in Mexico is 113.1K, representing an increase of 21.7K (or 23.7%) since the last estimate of December 2022 (91.4K). This updated figure takes into account the continuous arrivals of refugees and migrants from Venezuela over the past eight months (not a sudden increase from one month to another). The latest figures approximate the effects of evolving migration and asylum policies in the U.S. in late 2022 and in early 2023 on the movement of refugees and migrants in Mexico.

It is worth noting that the estimated number of Venezuelans in-destination is considerably lower than the number of refugees and migrants (including from Venezuela) transiting Mexico, with the intention to enter the U.S.

PANAMA: The updated population of Venezuelan refugees and migrants in Panama includes a significant reduction in July 2023, from 147,424 (reported in May 2023) to 58,158. This figure is based on the results of the 2023 Panama Census that was conducted in the first semester of 2023. It will be updated over the coming months, based on estimations of coverage, and the impact of ongoing movements of refugees and migrants in the country, which may lead to the granting of a temporary protection status and/or asylum to individual refugees and migrants entering the country.

URUGUAY: The number of refugees and migrants from Venezuela in Uruguay is based on the sum of the accumulated migratory balance from the year 2015 to June 2023. The migratory balance corresponds to the difference between regular entries into the territory, which accumulated to 28,823 entries in the mentioned period, and regular departures, which reached 22,883 as of June 2023.

The data used to calculate the total stock is shared by

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immigration authorities and includes regular movements, including by air, land, and river border crossings. Recently, the National Directorate of Migration updated the figures for entries and departures corresponding to 2022 and the first quarter of 2023, contributing to the presented figure. The sustained increase in entries is attributed primarily to

arrivals of Venezuelan refugees and migrants coming from Argentina, and reduced departures. By June 2023, the total number of Venezuelan refugees and migrants in Uruguay has reached 32,939 individuals (+5,452), amounting to an increase of 18% compared to the previously reported figure.

COUNTRY	PREVIOUS UPDATE (PUBLISHED MAY 2023)	CURRENT UPDATE (PUBLISHED AUG 2023)	DIFFERENCE
Colombia	2,477,588 (as of February 2022)	2,894,593 (as of October 2022)	+417,005
Peru	1,518,102 (as of March 2022)	1,542,004 (as of June 2023)	+23,902
Brazil	449,678 (as of March 2023)	477,493 (as of June 2023)	+27,815
Ecuador	502,214 (as of May 2022)	474,945 (as of June 2023)	-27,269
Chile	444,423 (as of December 2021)		
Dominican Republic	115,283 (as of June 2021)	124,141 (as of June 2023)	+8,858
Trinidad & Tobago	35,314 (as of June 2022)	36,218 (as of June 2023)	+904
Guyana	19,643 (as of June 2022)	21,676 (as of June 2023)	+2,033
Aruba	17,000 (as of December 2021)	17,085 (as of June 2023)	+85
Curaçao	14,000 (as of June 2022)		
Argentina	220,595 (as of August 2022)		
Bolivia	15,673 (as of July 2022)	15,854 (as of April 2023)	+181
Paraguay	5,426 (as of March 2023)	5,341 (as of June 2023)	-85
Uruguay	27,487 (as of December 2022)	32,939 (as of June 2023)	+5,452
Mexico	91,359 (as of December 2022)	113,108 (as of June 2023)	+21,749
Panama	147,424 (as of February 2023)	58,158 (as of July 2023)	-89,266
Costa Rica	30,107 (as of June 2022)	29,405 (as of July 2023)	-702
Other countries	1,188,909 (as of May 2023)		
TOTAL	7,320,225	7,710,887	+390,662