


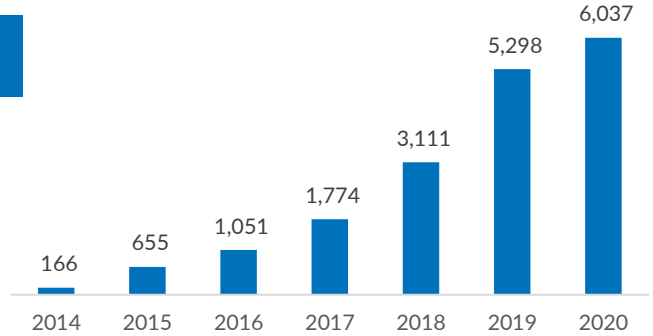


# Paraguay

December 2020

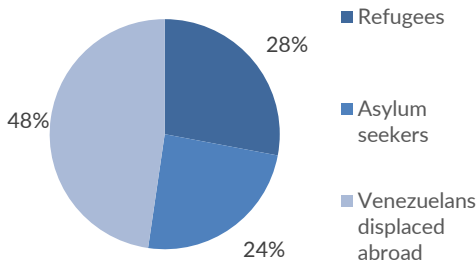
## 6,037 PERSONS OF CONCERN TO UNHCR

-  1,688 refugees
-  1,470 asylum seekers
-  2,879 Venezuelans displaced abroad

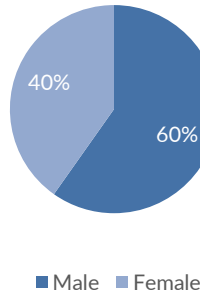


According to information provided by government authorities, as of December 2020 the population of concern to UNHCR in Paraguay amounted to 6,037 persons. If compared to end-2019, the total population has increased by 14% during the year. Additionally, there has been a growth in the number of persons in the asylum system by 85%, if compared with 2019.

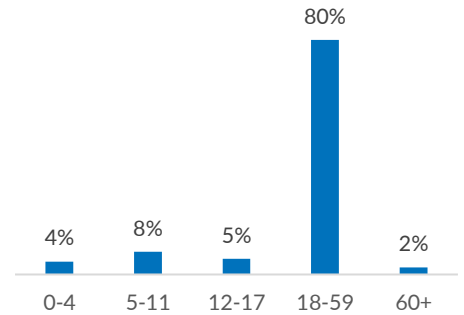
Population of concern (by population group)



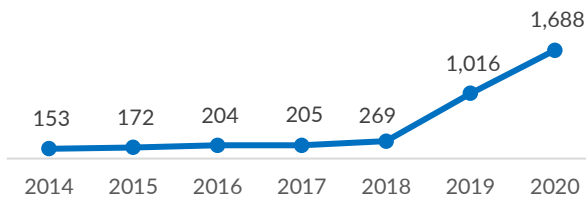
Refugees and asylum seekers (by gender)



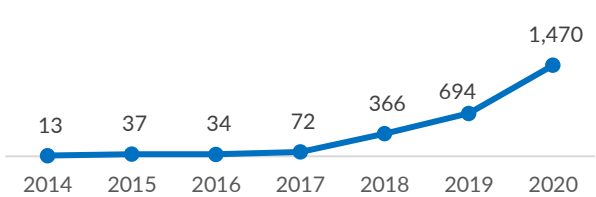
Refugees and asylum seekers (by age)



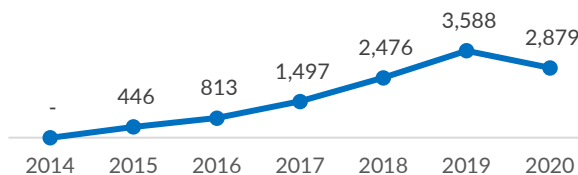
Refugees



Asylum seekers



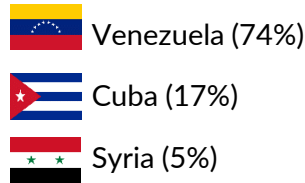
Venezuelans displaced abroad  
Population data compiled by UNHCR since 2015



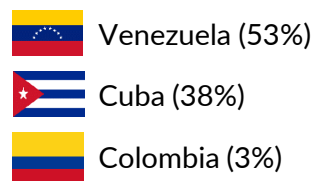
## Refugees and asylum seekers in Paraguay

### MAIN NATIONALITIES

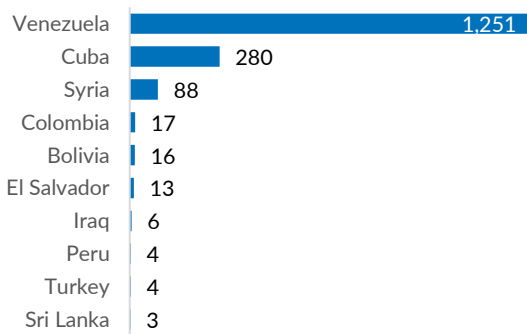
#### REFUGEES



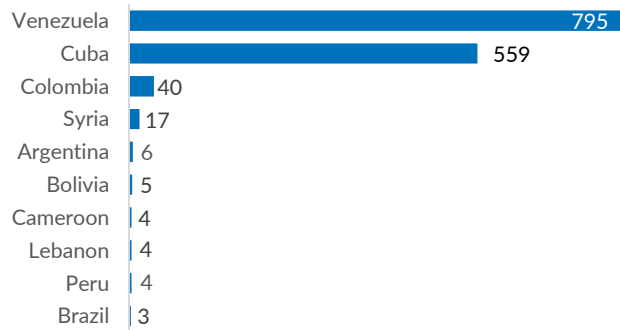
#### ASYLUM SEEKERS



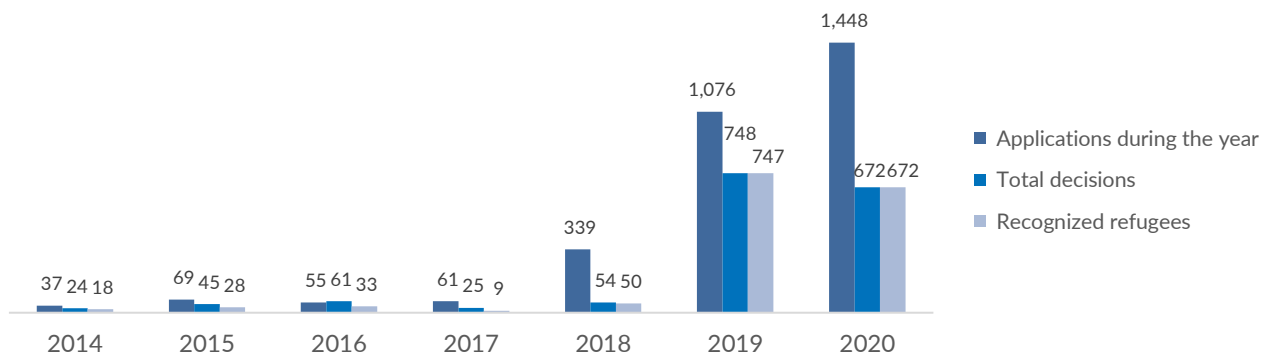
#### Refugees



#### Asylum seekers



#### New asylum applications vs. decisions during the year



Despite the deacceleration in the increase of population, since the border closure measures declared by national authorities, the intensification of socio-economic crisis has increased the population in need of humanitarian support, both population arriving and persons who were already residing in the country that have experienced an escalation in their basic needs.

During 2020, UNHCR and its partner agencies assisted some 987 persons of concern in Paraguay, in the areas of subsistence, documentation, language, legal and social counselling, among others. Compared to 2019, the population reached with assistance increased by 16%.

#### Assisted population (by age and gender)

