


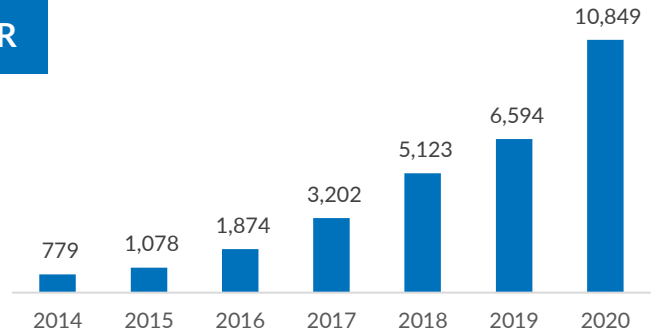


Bolivia

December 2020

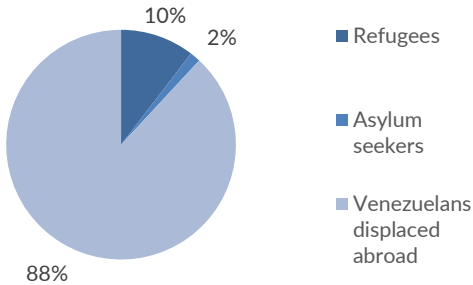
10,849 PERSONS OF CONCERN TO UNHCR

-  **1,131** refugees
-  **161** asylum seekers
-  **9,557** Venezuelans displaced abroad

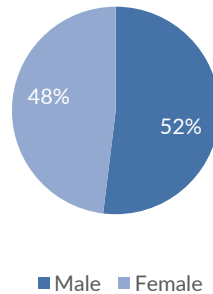


According to information provided by government authorities, as of December 2020 the population of concern to UNHCR in Bolivia amounted to 10,849 persons. If compared to end-2019, the total population figure has increased by 66%. This responds to the inclusion of an estimation of Venezuelan population residing irregularly in Bolivia (42%). There has been a growth in the number of persons in the asylum system by 15%, if compared with 2019.

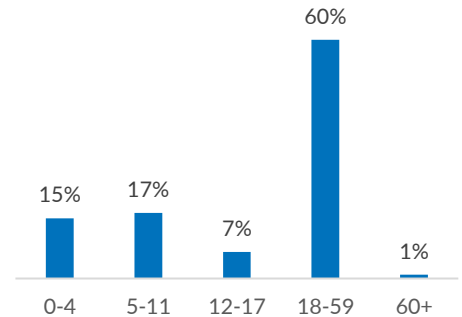
Population of concern (by population group)



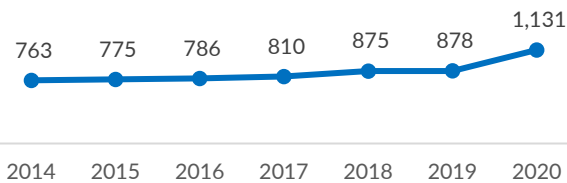
Refugees and asylum seekers (by gender)



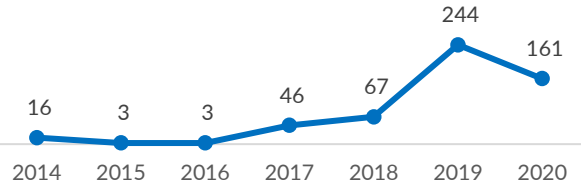
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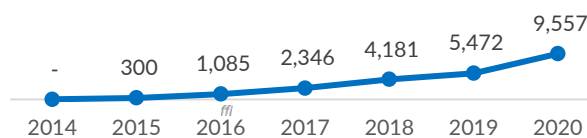
Refugees



Asylum seekers



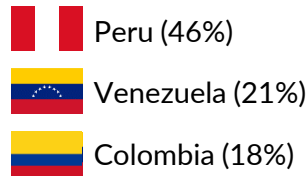
Venezuelans displaced abroad
Population data compiled by UNHCR since 2015



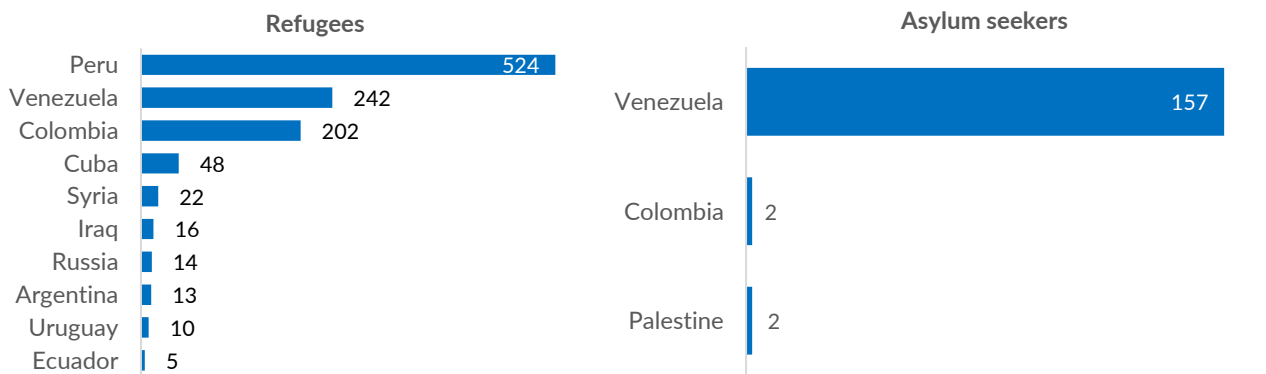
Refugees and asylum seekers in Bolivia

MAIN NATIONALITIES

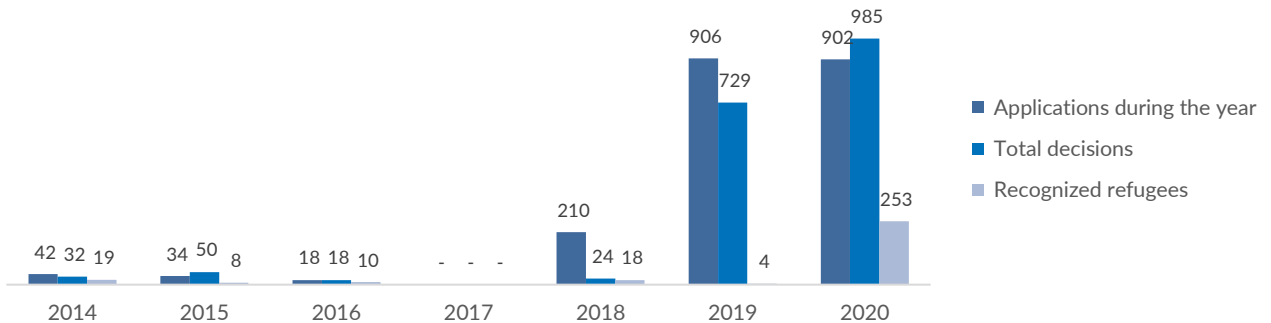
REFUGEES



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 10,013 persons of concern in Bolivia, in the areas of subsistence, documentation, language, legal and social counselling, among others. Compared to 2019, the population reached with assistance increased by 76%.

Assisted population (by age and gender)

