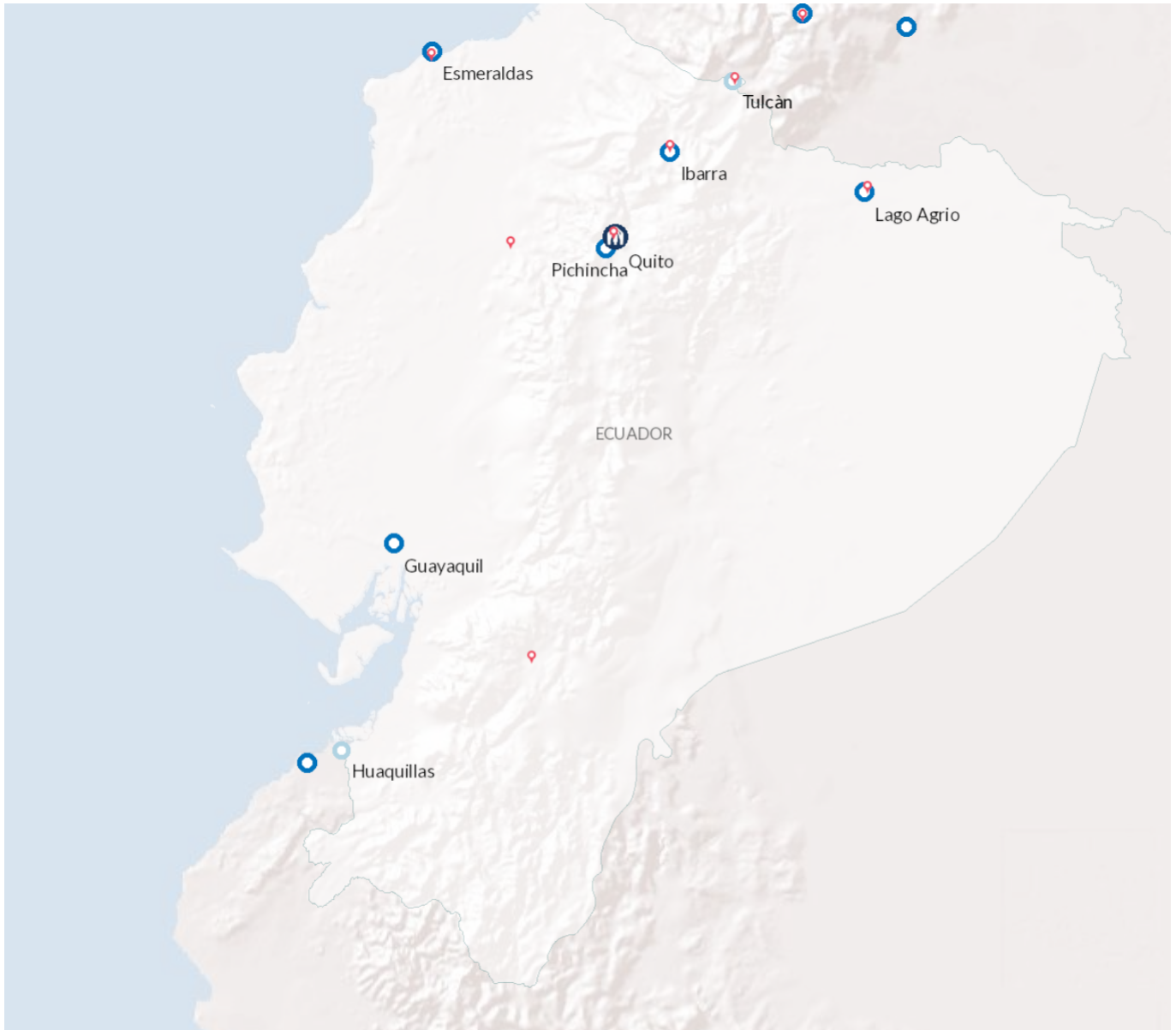




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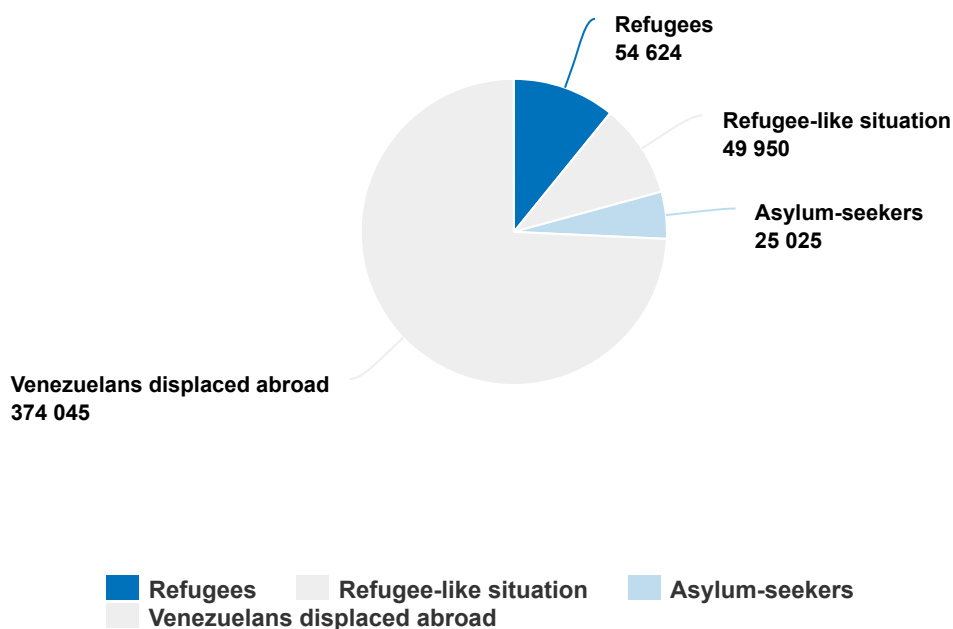


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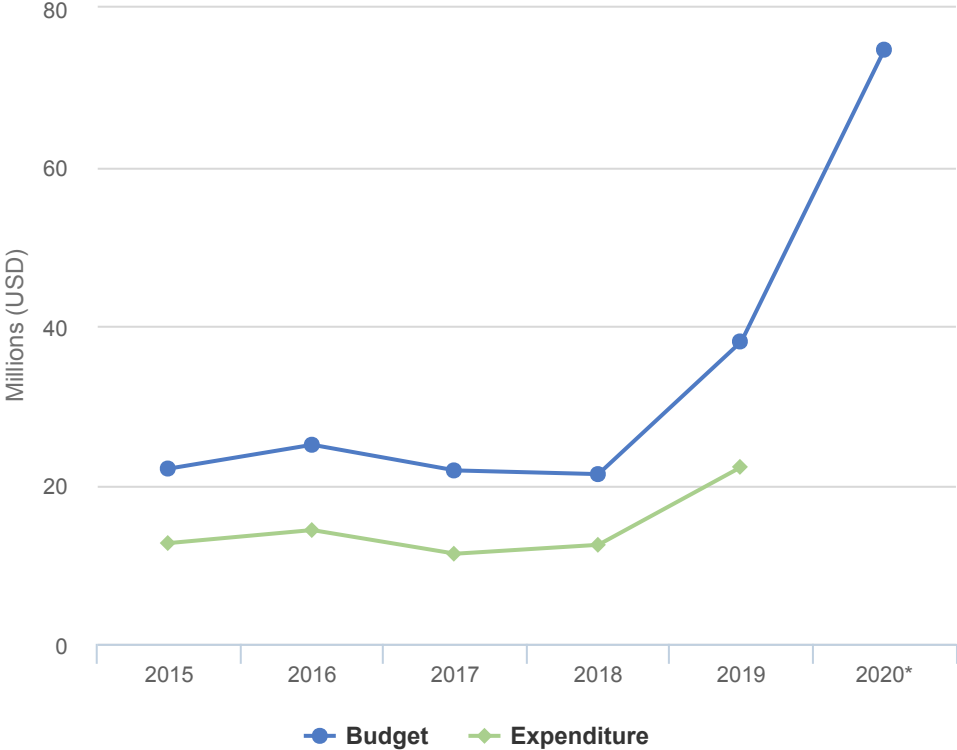
People of Concern

34% INCREASE IN
2019

2019	503,644
2018	374,879
2017	145,333



Budgets and Expenditure for Ecuador



Operational context

In the context of a contracting economy, the Government established a series of measures aimed at regulating the entry of Venezuelans, culminating at the end of August in the establishment of an entry visa requirement. This had a significant effect on the number of arrivals, with official border crossings registering a decrease from an average of 2,200 arrivals per day to 30. At the same time, irregular arrivals reportedly surged.

The Government also started registering Venezuelans, regularizing the status of those who had arrived in the country before 26 July 2019. The requirements of a passport, a certified clean criminal record, and high administrative costs, however, limited the accessibility of the process.

During the year, the Government and the International Monetary Fund (IMF) also reached a multibillion-dollar agreement to support the economy. The agreed package included cuts in petrol subsidies, sparking weeks-long violent protests in October 2019 that left ten people dead. Some demonstrators publicly and violently expressed their resentment against Venezuelans.

Colombians continued to arrive in Ecuador in view of the ongoing security challenges in Colombia, mainly to border areas.

Population trends

By the end of 2019, Ecuador was host to almost 54,600 recognized refugees, 97% of whom were Colombian. The majority of asylum-seekers were Venezuelan, accounting for 74% of some 25,000 applications.

By the end of 2019 there were approximately 374,000 Venezuelans displaced abroad in Ecuador, more than 115,800 of whom had entered over the course of the year.

Achievements

- The Office supported the Government's registration and regularization processes, which saw the registration of 167,000 Venezuelans and provided legal status to some 13,000.
- UNHCR conducted regular protection monitoring of more than 4,000 households.
- More than 700 individuals were submitted for resettlement.
- UNHCR supported the national refugee status determination process by deploying 26 consultants to provide technical support.
- The Office produced 15 videos aimed at improving public attitudes towards people of concern, some of which were watched more than 2 million times.
- UNHCR provided consultants to Public Defender and Ombudsperson offices countrywide.
- PRIMES was introduced as a shared registration and case management tool for the Government and UNHCR.

Unmet needs

The operation was funded at 63% by the end of 2019. Due to funding limitations, UNHCR was unable to provide multipurpose cash transfers to the vast majority of people of concern - some 31,500 individuals (only 18%) were reached.

Despite expansion of UNHCR's programme in support of the national Directorate of International Protection (DPIN) in 2019, austerity measures significantly impacted its capacity to deal with the some 6,000 asylum claims made annually.

2019 Expenditure for Ecuador | USD

The following table presents the final budget and funds available by pillar and the final expenditure at the objective-level, as reported at year-end.

	Pillar 1 Refugee programme	Total
Final Budget	38,025,536	38,025,536
Income from contributions*	18,270,982	18,270,982
Other funds available / transfers	7,883,411	7,883,411
Total funds available	26,154,392	26,154,392
Expenditure by Objective		
Favourable Protection Environment		
Law and policy	175,415	175,415
Legal remedies and legal assistance	1,090,147	1,090,147
Access to territory	340,908	340,908
Public attitudes towards persons of concern	513,735	513,735
Subtotal	2,120,205	2,120,205
Fair Protection Processes and Documentation		
Reception conditions	539,943	539,943
Registration and profiling	1,293,767	1,293,767
Status determination	1,274,641	1,274,641
Civil status documentation	163,360	163,360
Subtotal	3,271,711	3,271,711
Security from Violence and Exploitation		
SGBV prevention and response	776,290	776,290
Child protection	1,731,701	1,731,701
Subtotal	2,507,991	2,507,991
Basic Needs and Essential Services		
Shelter and infrastructure	1,149,290	1,149,290
Basic and domestic and hygiene items	3,836,218	3,836,218
Services for persons with specific needs	1,789,341	1,789,341
Education	370,475	370,475
Subtotal	7,145,324	7,145,324
Community Empowerment and Self Reliance		
Community mobilization	595,474	595,474
Self-reliance and livelihoods	1,800,715	1,800,715
Subtotal	2,396,189	2,396,189
Durable Solutions		
Voluntary return	116,374	116,374
Integration	1,147,953	1,147,953

	Pillar 1 Refugee programme	Total
Resettlement	510,930	510,930
Subtotal	1,775,258	1,775,258
Leadership, Coordination and Partnerships		
Coordination and partnerships	387,742	387,742
Subtotal	387,742	387,742
Logistics and Operations Support		
Supply chain and logistics	269,320	269,320
Operations management, coordination and support	2,379,038	2,379,038
Subtotal	2,648,358	2,648,358
Headquarters and Regional Support		
Organizational development and design	623	623
Subtotal	623	623
2019 Expenditure Total	22,253,400	22,253,400

**Income from contributions includes indirect support costs that are recovered from contributions to Pillars 3 and 4, supplementary budgets and the "New or additional activities – mandate-related" (NAM) Reserve. Contributions towards all pillars are included under Pillar 1.*