



Mixed Movements Response

January – April 2024

In 2024, **139,267 refugees and migrants** crossed the Darien jungle in search of protection and better opportunities – **nine per cent more** than in the same period of 2023. Most come from Venezuela, Ecuador, Haiti*, and Colombia. Many come from as far as China, Bangladesh, and Afghanistan.

UNHCR, national authorities, and partners respond to protection, gender-based violence, health, shelter, and legal needs of refugees and migrants and support transit and host communities in **Darien and Chiriqui**.

KEY ACHIEVEMENTS



17,291

People informed on the risks of the journey, Panama's asylum system, and services at the ETRMs**



282

Non-food items (including Core Relief Items) distributed to people at the ETRMs, transit, and host communities



1,108

People received primary healthcare and first aid services at the ETRMs



8,717

People received counseling and legal assistance services related to Panama's asylum system



100

People supported with mental health and psychosocial support services (MHPSS), including safe spaces



242

Officials trained on international protection and statelessness



1,283

People interviewed in border protection monitoring exercises



2

Rubb halls, **1,000+ m² of shade space**, and **80 solar streetlamps** installed at ETRMs and transit communities



4

Peaceful coexistence projects implemented in host and transit communities

2 multipurpose sports courts, and a **child friendly area** built in transit communities and ETRMs



El Tucán

UNHCR's Communication with Communities (CwC) initiative informs about the risks of the jungle and contributes to evidence-based decision-making.

16M

Views

557k

Interactions

415

Digital products published on Facebook and TikTok

Figures are cumulative since the campaign's launch in 2023.

The boundaries, names, and designations shown on this map do not imply official endorsement or acceptance by the United Nations.

*Including children of Haitian parents born in Brazil and Chile **ETRMs are Government-run Temporary Migrant Reception Centres. The figure accounts for all refugees, asylum seekers, and migrants in Darien and Chiriqui who received information directly and indirectly.

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