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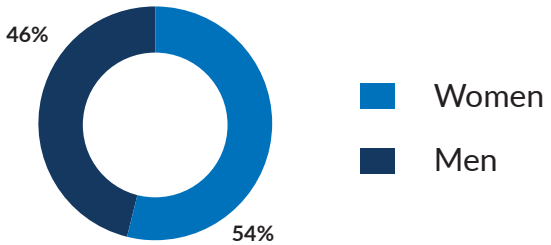
REGISTRATIONS IN PRIMES
31 March 2024

This infographic presents information on individuals registered through Individual Registration and Receptions in the Population Registration and Management Ecosystem (PRIMES) until March 31, 2024[1]. The data includes demographic, geographic, socioeconomic information, the identification of Specific Protection Needs and the assistance provided to the population.

People registered in PRIMES

54% of the cases registered in PRIMES are women.

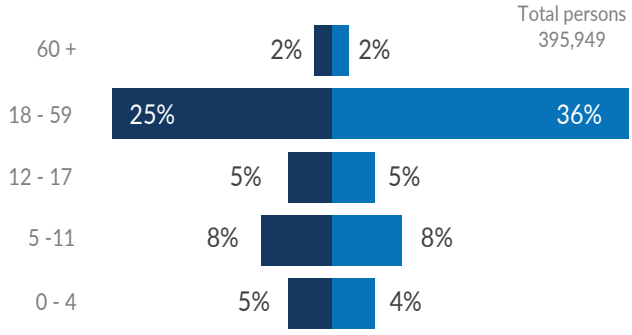
Total persons
1,033,548[2]



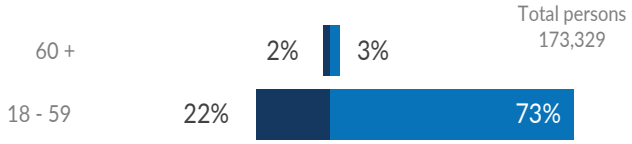
Age ranges[3]

Age ranges of individual registrations

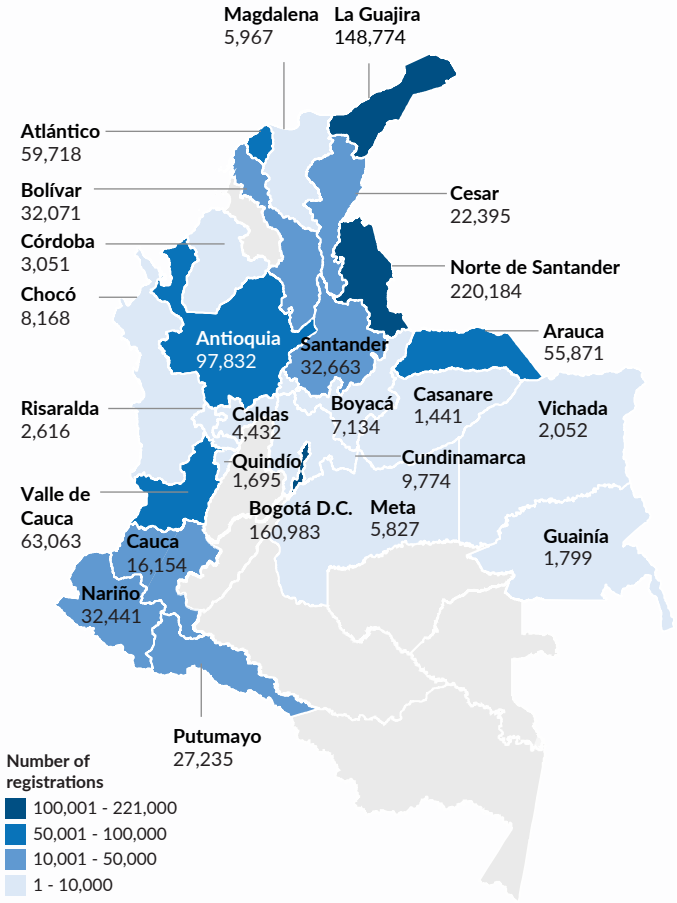
The average age of people registered in PRIMES is 18 - 59 years old.



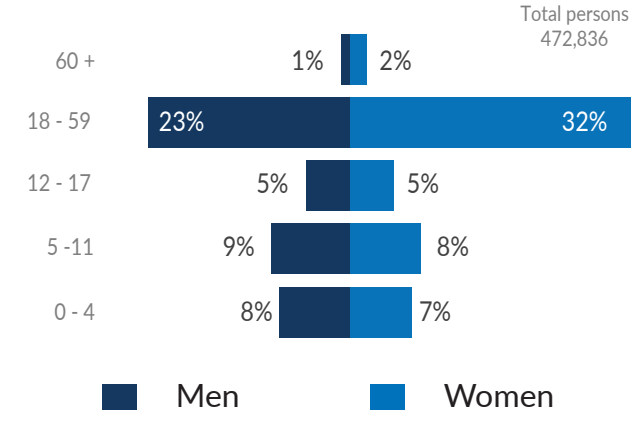
Age Ranges of Focal Points in Reception Records



Map 1: Geographic distribution of registrations



Age ranges of receptions - including the family



[1] The data corresponds to cumulative figures from 2018 through March 31, 2024.
[2] This should be: The number of persons presented in the statistics does not include deactivated records, such as duplicates and departures. Departures are mainly due to returns or resettlement. In total, there have been 27,658 deactivations since the Colombia operation started using PRIMES in 2018.
[3] Calculated from the available information of the persons registered individually and the Receptions (pre-registers with the information of the Focal Point and their family group).

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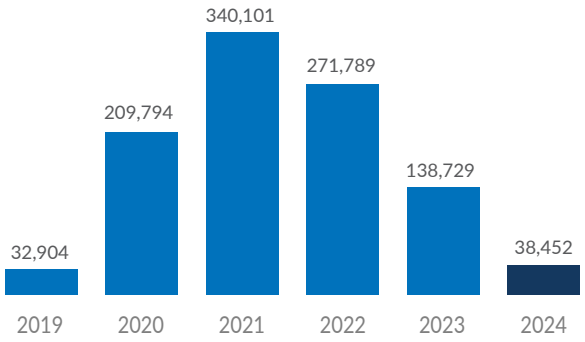
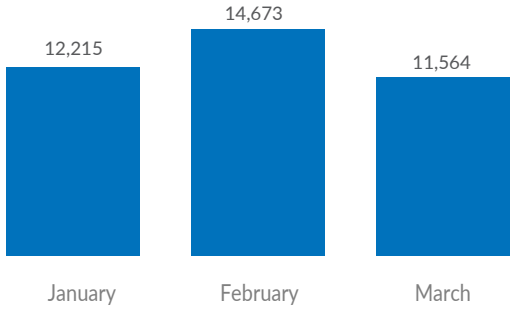
Evolution of PRIMES registrations

Number of people registered annually between 2018 - 2024

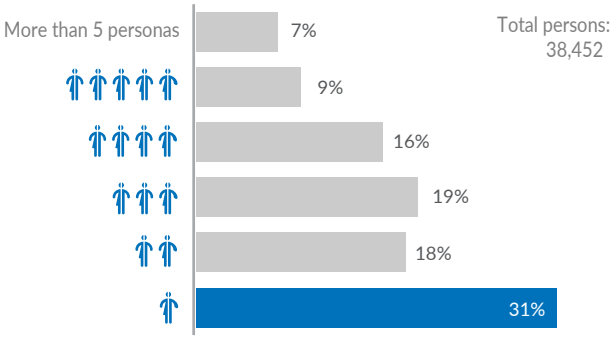


Number of people registered monthly between January and March 2024



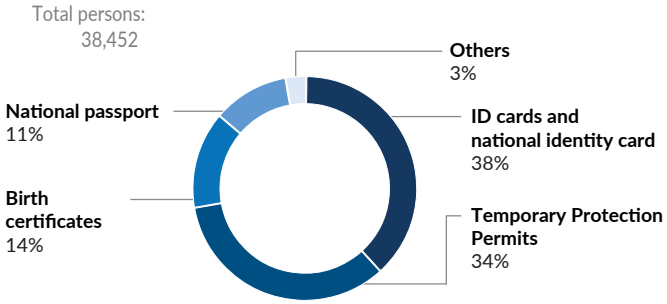
Average group size

More than **68%** of the registered groups are made up of groups of 1 to 3 persons.



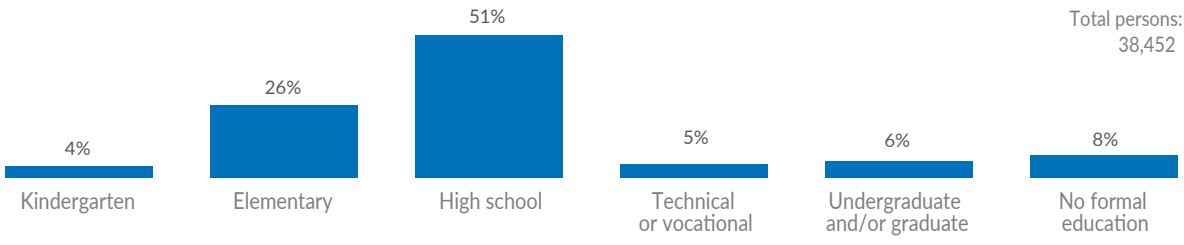
Documents of the population

Only **34%** of the total number of people registered in PRIMES have documentation. The main documents are identity cards (38%), Temporary Protection Permits (34%), Birth Certificates (14%) and Passports (11%).



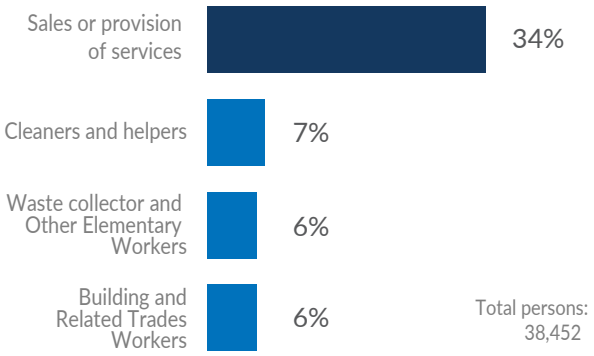
Educational level of the population

The highest level of schooling attained by **51%** of the people registered in PRIMES is junior secondary school.



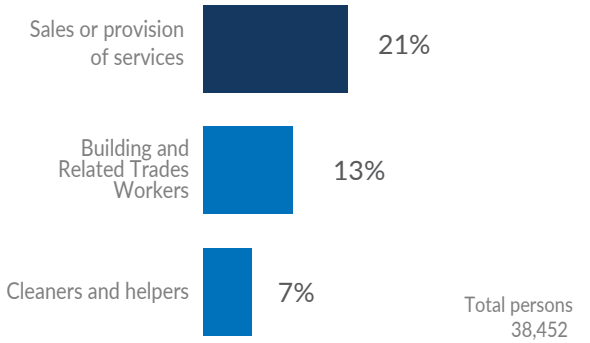
Occupation of the population

34% of the people registered in PRIMES work in retail trade activities or in the provision of services.



Occupational skills of the population

21% of PRIMES registrants have skills in retail trade or the provision of services.



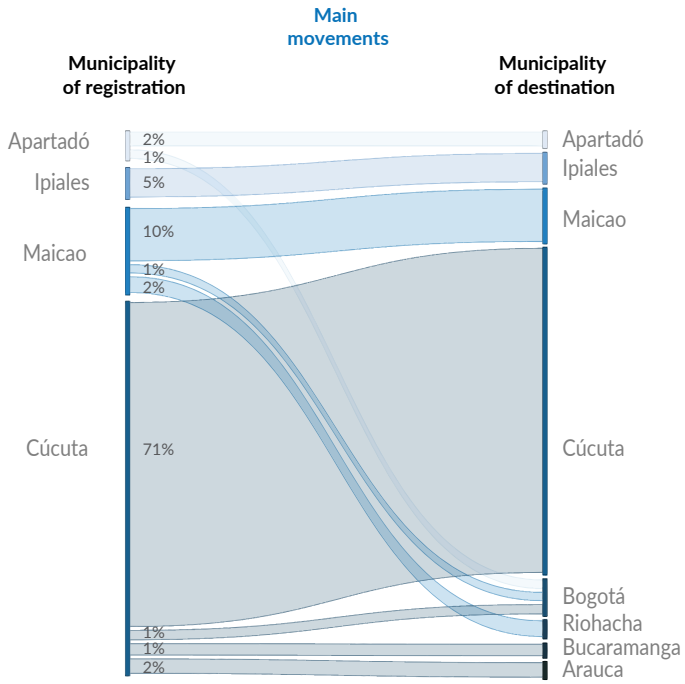
Movements of people at the departmental and municipal level

Map 2: Percentage of people remaining in the department of registration

90% of the people registered remain in the municipality where the registration was carried out and initial care was provided. The remaining **10%**, for the most part, move to nearby municipalities and remain in their own department.

Relation between municipality of registration and municipality of destination

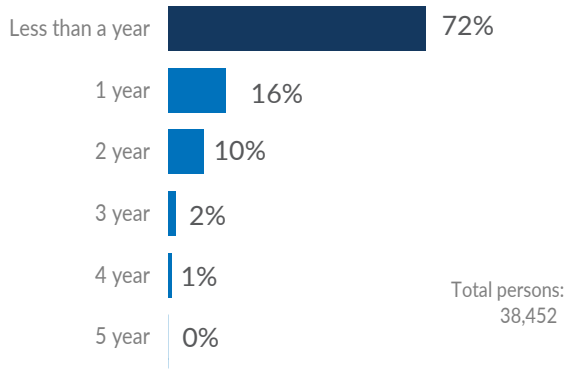
Persons registered in border areas tend to remain in these areas or move to neighboring municipalities. The border municipalities with the highest percentage of registered persons staying are Ipiales (91%), Cúcuta (91%), Maicao (76%) and Apartadó (62%).



Contact with registration points

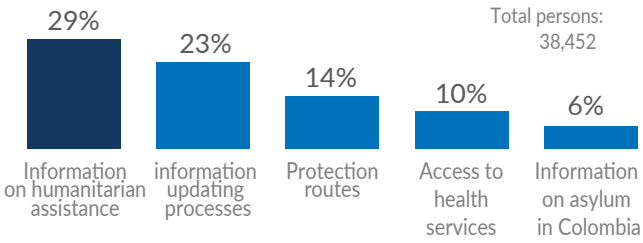
Time between the creation of the registration in PRIMES and last interaction with the registration points

72% of the registered persons maintain contact with the registration points for less than one year.



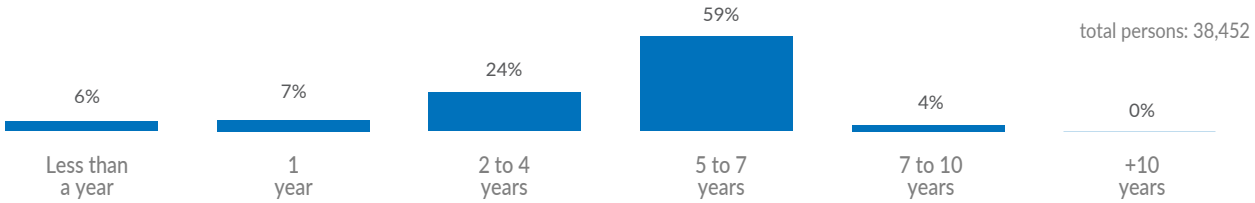
Main topics of consultations and information provided to the population

29% of the queries correspond to information on humanitarian assistance, 23% to information updating processes (second attention), 14% to information on protection routes, 10% to information on access to health services and 6% to information or support in the preparation of the asylum application in Colombia.



Time spent in Colombia

59% of the registered persons have stayed in Colombia between 5 to 7 years and 37% between 0 to 4 years.



Specific Protection Needs - SPNs

The identification of Specific Protection Needs in PRIMES allows the activation of protection routes and referral processes. The main Protection Needs identified are:

30% Unmet basic needs: A person who is unable to achieve, despite existing livelihood opportunities (whether formal or informal), a minimum standard of living, including access to food, clothing, sanitary materials, housing/shelter, water, sanitation and medical care.

25% Without documentation: Person without regular documentation in Colombia.

15% No access to services: A person deprived of access to services, such as assistance distribution, medical care or legal services, that are otherwise available to the community and/or individuals.

6% Children and Adolescents at risk of not attending school: Persons under 18 years of age at risk of interrupting or suspending their studies.

3% Single head of household - father/mother: Single-parent household (paternal or maternal head of household), with one or more biological children all under 18 years old.

Total persons: 38,452