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INTERNAL DISPLACEMENT/COLOMBIA

LARGE-GROUP INTERNAL DISPLACEMENT

January to April 2022

Between January and April, 58 large-group displacement events have been reported, affecting 22,418 people (8,641 families). In April, 19 incidents affected 8,946 people (3,700 families).

Although there is a slight decrease (3%) in the number of affected individuals compared to the same period in 2021, there is a remarkable increase in the number of events and people affected compared to March, when 3,468 people were displaced as a result of eight events.

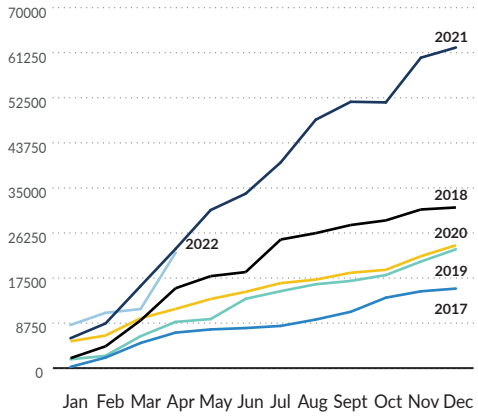
Therefore, April is the month with the highest number of people affected by large-group displacement events in 2022 up to now. Emergencies continue in the Pacific coast of Nariño (13 events, ten of them in Roberto Payán and Olaya Herrera), Ciénaga in Magdalena (three events), Alto Baudó in Chocó (one event), Argelia in Cauca (one event), and Buenaventura in Valle del Cauca (one event).

Events in Nariño caused 82% of the affected individuals of all reported events during April. The Afro-Colombian population continues to be the most affected group.

Confrontations and widespread threats against the civilian population caused more than 70% of the events. Child recruitment or risk of recruitment incentivizes displacement in at least 12% of the reported events.

DISPLACEMENT OVER TIME[1]

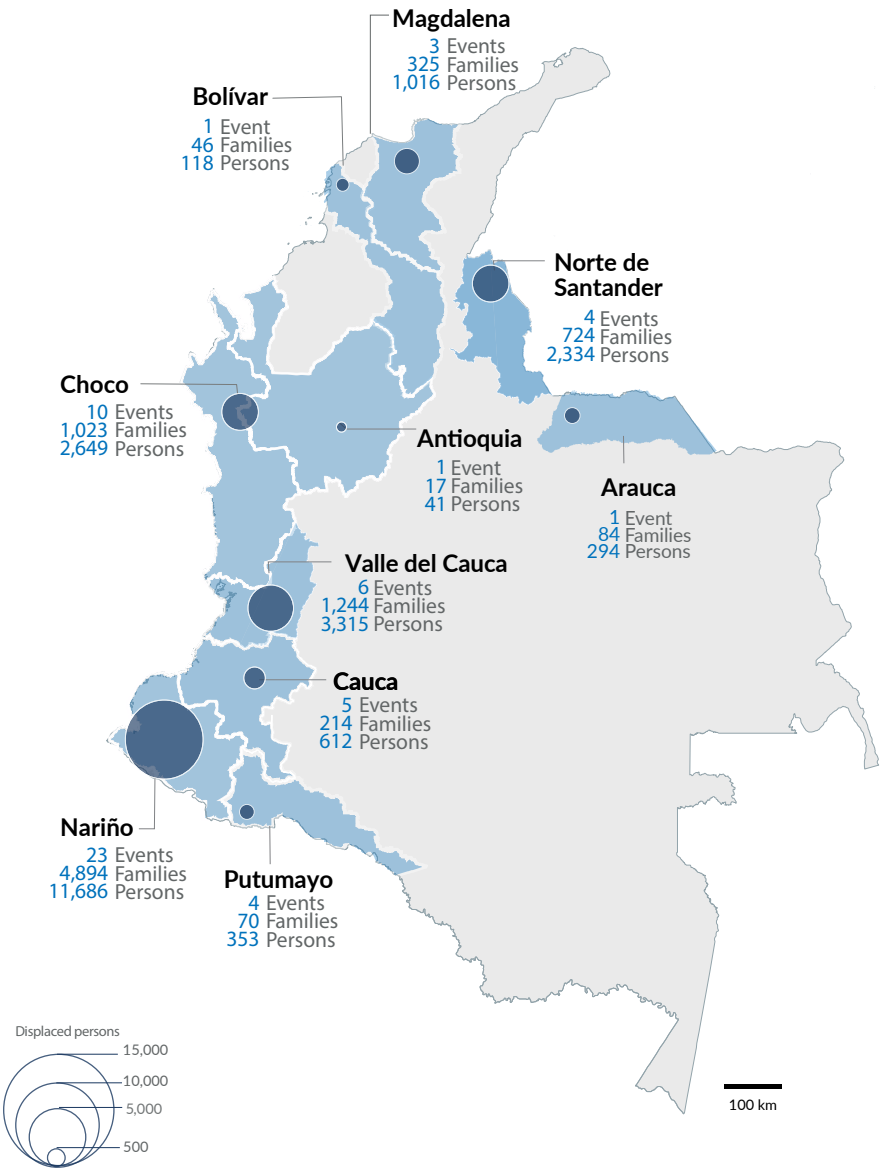
Number of people displaced (2017-2022)



58* Events

8,641 Families

22,418 Persons



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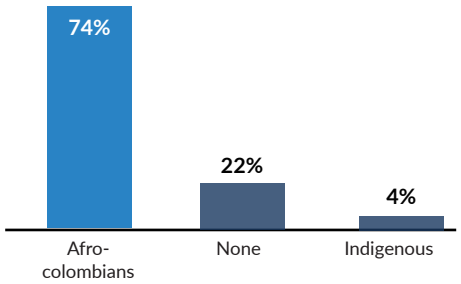
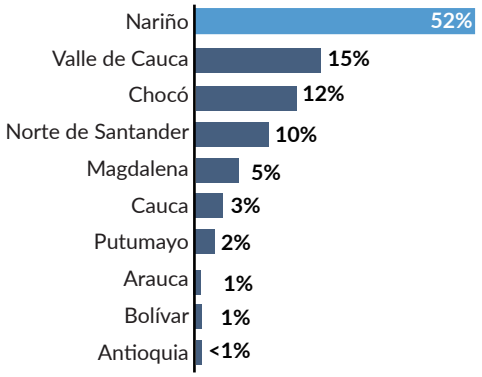
ETHNICITY



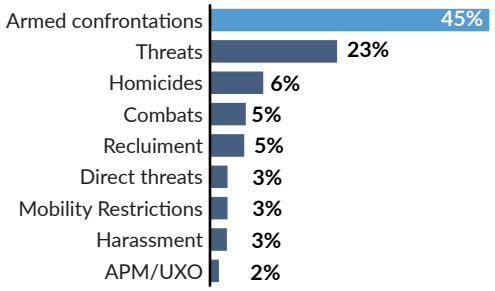
NATIONALITY

Less than 1% of the victims of large-group displacement events are of Venezuelan nationality.

DISPLACEMENT BY DEPARTMENT



CAUSES OF DISPLACEMENT



[1] Large-group displacement is defined as displacement events of more than 10 families or 50 people. Large-scale events presented in this infographic and monitored by UNHCR correspond solely to those that occurred in the areas covered by Field Offices.

[2] Although an infographic issued in April 2021 reported 15,937 affected persons, a subsequent update in May 2022 shows that in the first quarter of 2021, there were 20,794 displaced persons, which results in the percentage reported above

* Large-group events are under constant verification and validation, therefore figures are subject to change.

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