

COLOMBIA 2022

Summary of the Joint Programme's support to the national HIV response in 2022

In 2022, HIV and social protection services were scaled up in Colombia, including combination prevention among young people and key populations (UNFPA, WHO). [The Integrated Biological and Behavioural Surveillance \(IBBS\) study](#) among migrant and refugee populations revealed an HIV prevalence of 0.9% and lower viral suppression in those with irregular migration status (UNAIDS Secretariat).

Over 2 million male condoms were procured and distributed to 24 territorial service centres, while 325 healthcare professionals built their capacity in delivering quality combination HIV prevention services (UNFPA). South-South cooperation dialogues enabled civil society representatives and other national partners to exchange on pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP), HIV self-testing, and monkey pox prevention (UNAIDS Secretariat). In addition, the prevention and management of HIV, sexually transmitted infections (STIs), HIV and tuberculosis co-infection, and hepatitis B and C in primary healthcare services was strengthened through the training of 1001 healthcare workers (WHO).

Comprehensive, gender-sensitive and stigma-free services were also promoted among law enforcement officials, with the use of interdisciplinary teams encouraged in 44 police stations across

the country (UNDP). Guided by the Joint Team, a total of US\$ 23 million from the Global Fund (2022-2025) further supported the scaling up of HIV services among key populations.

A total of 27 591 (82% pregnant women) refugees, migrants and people from host communities accessed HIV testing, care, and treatment services, while 778 people living with HIV received facility- and community-based viral load testing and CD4 count services. The training of 270 healthcare professionals also improved integration and delivery of quality prevention of mother-to-child transmission of HIV (PMTCT) services. In addition, 128 people living with or affected by HIV and their families, including people from key populations, benefitted from a municipality-led food assistance programme, including empowerment skills for livelihood and food security (WFP).

Comprehensive sexuality education programmes reached 1389 young people in schools improving their knowledge and skills on prevention of HIV, sexually transmitted infections (STIs), and early or unplanned pregnancies; and 71 facilitators built their capacity on the delivery of out-of-school comprehensive sexuality education (UNFPA).



KEY RESULTS

- New data on HIV prevalence among migrants and refugees (IBBS) to inform programmes and investments.
- Over 2 million condoms procured and distributed.
- Combination prevention, coinfections treatment and PMTCT services improved thanks to over 1500 healthcare workers trained.
- PrEP programme strategy developed with strong communities' engagement.
- Prioritized US\$ 23 million from the Global Fund for 2022-2025.

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Team on
AIDS

UNHCR
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UNFPA
WHO
UNAIDS Secretariat
IOM

Contributing to [United Nations Sustainable Development Cooperation Framework in Colombia \(2020-2023\)](#)



2022 Joint Programme
Expenditure
Total US\$ 642 847

2022 expenditure data
available at the time of
the update (August 2023)

