



# Situation Report

## Colombia: Escalating Humanitarian Crisis

25 November 2025 - 28 February 2026

### Highlights

**Increasing humanitarian needs:** In Colombia, approximately 9 million people currently require humanitarian assistance. Additionally, 1.5 million individuals were affected by violence in 2025, a fourfold increase compared to 2024.<sup>1</sup>

**UNFPA's service delivery:** During the reporting period, UNFPA provided essential sexual and reproductive health (SRH) services to 2,289 people, including provision of life-saving SRH information, SRH case management for high-risk pregnancies, and family planning services. In addition, 997 people received group psychosocial support and life-saving information on GBV, allowing them to enhance their protective factors against gender-based violence.

**2026 humanitarian response plans:** UNFPA successfully ensured that SRH and gender-based violence (GBV) responses were integrated as core, funded pillars of the 2026 Humanitarian Needs and Response Plan (HNRP) and the Refugee and Migrant Response Plan for Colombia.

**Critical funding gap:** For UNFPA, an urgent US \$1.84 million is required to sustain life-saving services for 53,595 vulnerable women and adolescents as the crisis continues to intensify in Colombia.



**6,900,000**

Total people affected<sup>2</sup>



**1,860,000**

Women of reproductive age<sup>3</sup>



**69,100**

Estimated pregnant women<sup>3</sup>

<sup>1</sup> OCHA. (2025). Humanitarian Situation Report: Cumulative data between January and October 2025. Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs [https://www.unocha.org/attachments/5f786620-da45-4810-8d7c-b4019f4e5d36/Colombia\\_Informe\\_Situaci%C3%B3n\\_Humanitaria\\_OCT\\_2025%20VF.pdf](https://www.unocha.org/attachments/5f786620-da45-4810-8d7c-b4019f4e5d36/Colombia_Informe_Situaci%C3%B3n_Humanitaria_OCT_2025%20VF.pdf)

<sup>2</sup> OCHA. Humanitarian Needs and Response Plan, Colombia. Pg 3. Published February 2026 Retrieved from <https://humanitarianaction.info/plan/1500>

<sup>3</sup> Estimated figures are based on the Minimum Initial Services Package (MISP) for Sexual and Reproductive Health in Humanitarian Settings calculator.

## Situation Overview

Colombia is facing a complex, protracted, and rapidly intensifying humanitarian crisis driven by the escalation of internal armed conflict, rising levels of social violence, floods, and forced displacement. More than 6.9 million people in Colombia require humanitarian assistance, in addition to 3.5 million refugees and migrants within the country who are also in urgent need of support.<sup>4</sup>

Between January to November 2025, armed conflict displaced 101,474 people within Colombia and restricted movement of an additional 110,375 people.<sup>5</sup> This period saw the highest levels of violence in recent years, largely driven by disputes between Non-State Armed Groups (NSAGs) over territories critical to illicit economies. These dynamics have led to significant deterioration of public health and protection conditions, and severely restricted access to essential services in the most affected communities such as Arauca, Cauca, Chocó, Nariño, Norte de Santander, and Putumayo.

The situation is further compounded by geopolitical and domestic political dynamics that heighten humanitarian risks. A highly polarized internal climate ahead of the presidential elections, alongside the broader regional repercussions of recent U.S. military intervention in Venezuela, have intensified uncertainty and instability. Massive flooding across several departments, including Cordoba Guajira and Choco, has affected 200,000 people, further straining local response capacities.

## UNFPA Response

**Sexual and reproductive health:** UNFPA expanded its life-saving interventions in Arauca, Norte de Santander, Chocó, and Cauca to meet the urgent needs of conflict-affected populations, including refugees and migrants. To overcome access barriers in high-risk areas, UNFPA deployed mobile health units to remote settlements, ensuring that geographical isolation did not prevent people from receiving life-saving information and essential care. These units served as mobile hubs where nurses provided clinical case management for women with high obstetric risk, effectively activating emergency referral pathways to prevent maternal mortality. UNFPA delivered contraception services to 1,474 individuals and provided cash assistance to 48 vulnerable pregnant women and patients seeking treatment for sexually transmitted infections (STIs). By eliminating financial barriers, UNFPA ensured patients received timely and dignified care.

**Gender-based violence response:** UNFPA strengthened the protective environment for vulnerable women and adolescent girls by establishing four (4) Women and Girls' Safe Spaces (WGSS) and two community centres. These sites functioned as vital entry points for life-saving information, where women at risk of GBV learned about their fundamental rights and the life-saving services available to them. UNFPA case managers delivered structured group psychosocial support sessions to over 300 women and girls to enhance individual agency and strengthen community-based coping mechanisms. This protective framework fostered the necessary trust for safe disclosures, enabling case managers to provide survivor-centred care and assist them toward physical recovery, legal redress, and long-term empowerment.

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<sup>4</sup> OCHA. (2025). [2025 Humanitarian Situation Report: Cumulative data between January and October 2025](#). Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs. ReliefWeb.

<sup>5</sup> Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA). (December 19, 2025). [2025 Humanitarian Situation Report: Cumulative data between January and November 2025](#) (Colombia). ReliefWeb.

# Results Snapshot



**2,289**

People reached with SRH services  
78% female, 22% male



**8**

Health facilities supported



**997**

People reached with GBV prevention, mitigation and response activities  
91% female, 9% male



**4**

Safe spaces for Women and Girls supported



**2**

Community-Based Safe Spaces for Women and Girls supported



**48**

People reached with humanitarian cash and voucher assistance for GBV and SRH



**48**

Reproductive health kits provided to service delivery points to meet the needs of 1,375 people



Key messages on GBV, Safe Space Antigua Casa Médica



Prevention of teenage pregnancy through key messages on SRH

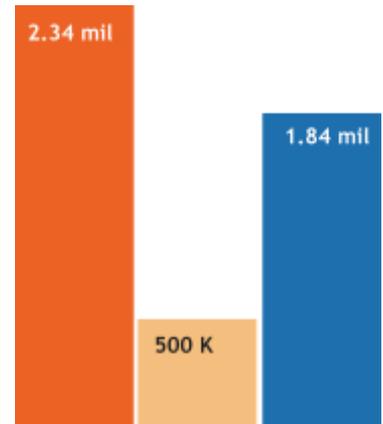
## Coordination Mechanisms

UNFPA advanced the strategic positioning of the SRH Sub-Group and the GBV Sub-Sector/Sub-Cluster. A key achievement was the successful integration of SRH and GBV priorities into the 2026 Humanitarian Needs and Response Plan and the Refugee and Migrant Response Plan (RMRP). This high-level coordination ensured that SRH services and GBV prevention and response are formally recognized and prioritized as core funded pillars within the national humanitarian strategy.

## Funding Status

Given the growing humanitarian needs and the ongoing humanitarian reset process, it is essential to guarantee the continuity of UNFPA's life-saving activities that protect the rights of women and girls.

In 2026, US \$2.34 million is needed for UNFPA to ensure that 53,595 vulnerable women and adolescents in Colombia have access to essential SRH services, GBV prevention and response, psychosocial support and mental health services, as well as tools and spaces that promote their protection, well-being, and dignity in emergency contexts.



Required Funding Secured Funding Unmet Funding

**Disclaimer:** Funding available is based on cash received during the current year as well as funding rolled over from previous years, and transfers from/to other UNFPA departments. It does not include funds from agreements that have been signed but not yet received.

*“For a single mother, receiving this assistance is a blessing. The doctor (case manager) supported me at a time when I was vulnerable and gave me the strength I needed to move forward. In addition, the financial support allowed me to maintain my household in this new stage where everything depends on me. My only wish is that you continue with this work.”*

— Female survivor of conflict-related GBV who received cash assistance from UNFPA in Tame, Arauca, in 2025.

### Current Donors

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