Advances in the implementation of the Temporary Protection Statute (TPSV) for Venezuelan migrants
1. ADVANCES IN THE VIRTUAL PRE-REGISTRY

Since the implementation of the TPSV, **1,180,000 Venezuelans** have been registered in Migracion Colombia’s platform, of them **1,119,649** have fully completed the pre-registry. Bogotá is the city with more migrants registered (19.8%), followed by Medellín (8.6%), Cali (5.2%), and Cúcuta (4.8%). 52% of the migrants registered are women and 48% are men. Migrants between 18 to 39 years old are among the most registered, followed by migrants between 8 to 17 years old.

2. ADVANCES IN THE CHARACTERIZATION SURVEY

While implementing the pre-registry, Migración Colombia is carrying out a characterization survey to gather information on migrants age, education, socio-economic condition, among other. As of now, **1,040,861** migrants have completed the survey, Bogotá being the city with more migrants surveyed (19.6%), followed by Medellín (8.5%), Cali (5.1%), and Cúcuta (4.8%). 52% of the migrants who participated in the survey are women and 48% are men. Migrants between 18 to 39 years old are among the most surveyed followed by migrants between 8 to 17 years old.

3. ADVANCES IN THE ENROLLMENT AND BIOMETRIC REGISTRY

On September 1st of 2021, Migración Colombia will start taking the biometric registry of every migrant who has completed the pre-registry and the characterization survey. This will be a key step for the migrants to move forward to the stage II of the process which includes the issuance of the Temporary Protection Permit. As of August 14, **946,214** migrants booked a date to start this process.

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4. STAGE II OF THE TPSV

In this stage, a Temporary Protection Permit will be issued to those who completed the registration process. Migración Colombia expects to start this stage promptly.

5. GENERAL OVERVIEW OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE TEMPORARY PROTECTION STATUTE FOR VENEZUELAN MIGRANTS

· The implementation of the Temporary Protection Statute for Venezuelan Migrants is a longstanding humanitarian commitment that requires economic, technological and logistical efforts. In that sense, the support provided by the international community has been critical and the Government of Colombia is confident that the solidarity of its partners will contribute to finalize successfully the implementation process.

· The objective of the TPSV, according to Decree 216 signed in March 1st, 2021, is to enable the transit of Venezuelan migrants from a temporary protection regime to an ordinary migratory regime, meaning that they will be able to obtain a residents visa after 10 years. The TPSV seeks to promote the ordinary migratory regime as a tool to reduce the percentage of irregular migrants in the territory.

· The TPSV’s implementation stared on May 5, 2021, and so far, we have seen a positive outcome. Colombia is eager to start Stage II, which includes the implementation of parameterized enrollment bookings to collect biometric data. Simultaneously, Migración Colombia is also looking forward to the issuance of the Temporary Protection Permits for Venezuelan migrants, as a migratory regularization mechanism and identification document.