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# WFP LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN REGION

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# Haiti



**4.9M**  
**PEOPLE**  
ARE IN IPC 3+

THIS REPRESENTS 49% OF THE POPULATION IN THE COUNTRY

**6.9M** PEOPLE WITH INSUFFICIENT FOOD CONSUMPTION  
*(June 2023)*

**6.5M** PEOPLE ARE USING CRISIS OR ABOVE CRISIS LEVEL FOOD-BASED COPING STRATEGIES  
*(June 2023)*



CIVILIAN DEATH TOLL EXCEEDS 600 PEOPLE IN APRIL.



AFTER SOUTH SUDAN, HAITI IS THE COUNTRY WITH THE HIGHEST PERCENTAGE OF THE POPULATION IN EMERGENCY FOOD SITUATION OR IPC 4.

# Colombia



**15.5 M  
PEOPLE**

**ARE FOOD INSECURE**

THIS  
REPRESENTS  
30% OF THE  
POPULATION IN  
THE COUNTRY

**THE FOOD SECURITY SITUATION HAS DETERIORATED.**



**52% (1.3M)**

PEOPLE WITH  
INTENTION TO SETTLE  
ARE FOOD INSECURE



**43% (430K)**

HOST COMMUNITIES  
ARE FOOD INSECURE

**2019**

**13–23%** MIGRANT  
POPULATION

**33%** HOST  
COMMUNITIES



# Central America



**8M**  
**PEOPLE**

ARE IN NEED OF FOOD SECURITY AND NUTRITION ASSISTANCE (HRP GUATEMALA, HONDURAS AND EL SALVADOR)



**4.3 M** PEOPLE WITH INSUFFICIENT FOOD CONSUMPTION  
*(June 2023)*

**7.5M** PEOPLE ARE USING CRISIS OR ABOVE CRISIS LEVEL FOOD-BASED COPING STRATEGIES  
*(June 2023)*



SOARING FOOD INFLATION



CONCERNS OF REDUCED AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION DUE TO HIGH INPUT COSTS AND IMPACT OF EL NIÑO.

# El Niño



“  
**90%**  
probabilities  
to persist  
till 2024.  
”

“  
**1.5M**  
additional  
people in  
the Dry Corridor  
will be affected.  
”

“  
**+200,000**  
people in Haiti and  
**25,000**  
in Cuba affected  
by floods.  
”

“  
**780,000**  
people affected  
by coastal El Niño  
in Peru, Ecuador  
and Bolivia.  
”

# Estimates of food insecurity June 2023

## Key drivers and aggravating factors

- Drought
- Economic shock
- Floods
- Tropical Storm
- Political instability
- Migration
- Conflict/Insecurity



**39.9 Million people  
are estimated to  
be food insecure**



# Migration trends



**1 IN 3**

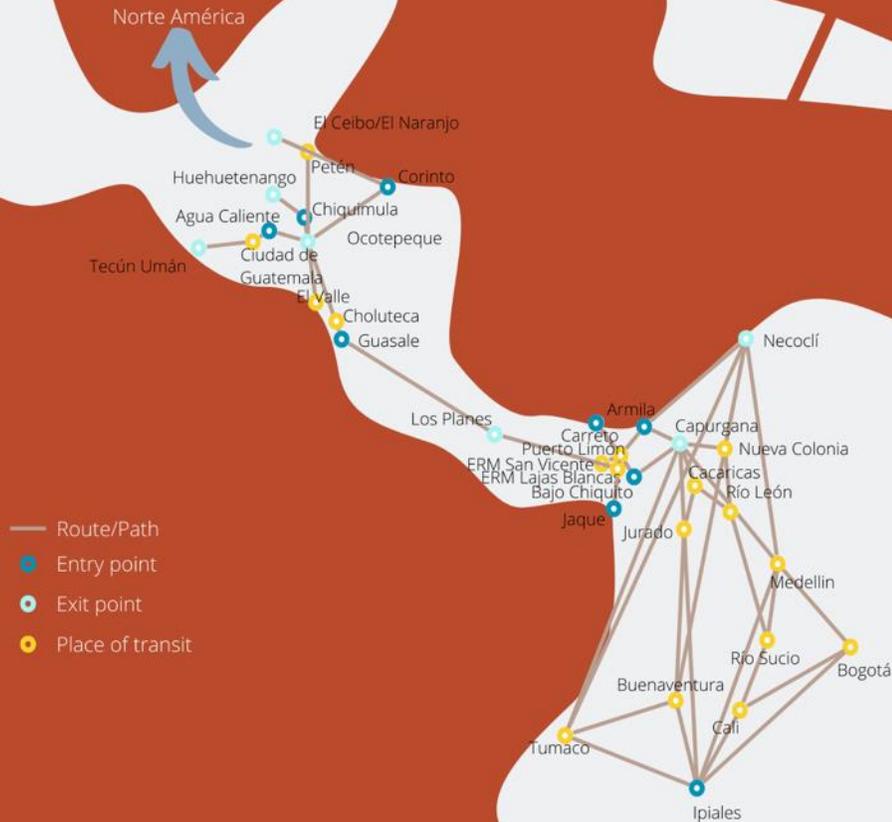
households who intend to migrate are food insecure.

**5 TIMES**

more irregular entries in the Darien by 31st May 2023, compared to the same period of 2022.

**↓ 10%**

decrease in the encounters at the Southwestern U.S. border.



**48,970**

new asylum applications in Mexico from January - April 2023.

**24% MORE THAN 2022**



The boundaries and names shown on this map do not imply official endorsement or acceptance by the United Nations

# Resilience and Climate Action



STRENGTHENING NATIONAL EARLY WARNING CAPABILITIES



SUPPORTING PEOPLE'S ADAPTATION THROUGH COMMUNITY AND ECOSYSTEM-BASED ACTIONS



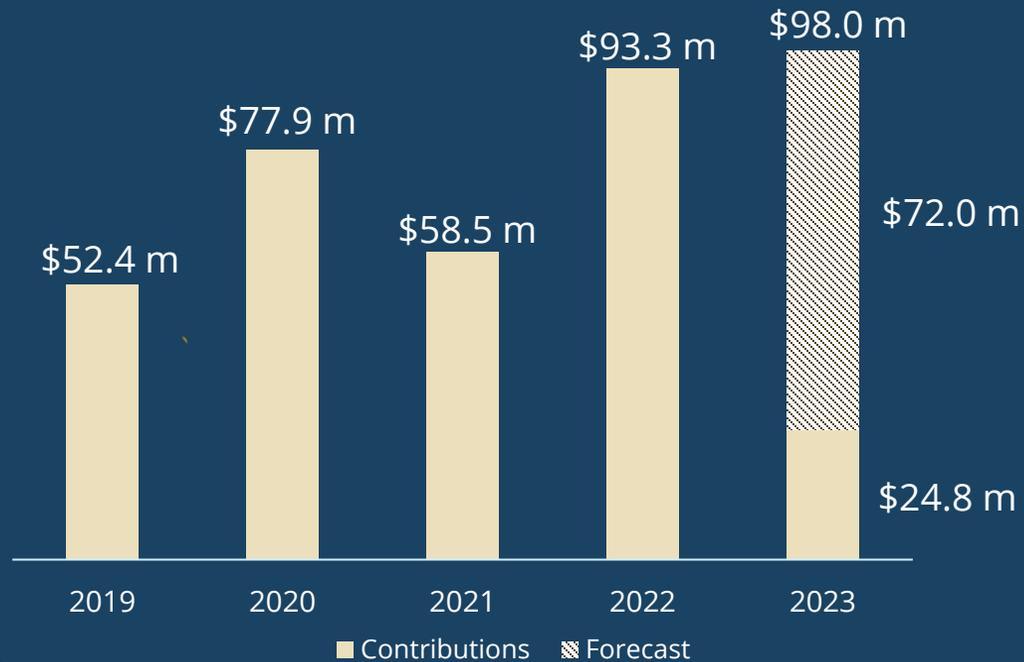
BUILDING CLIMATE RESILIENCE FOR FOOD SYSTEMS



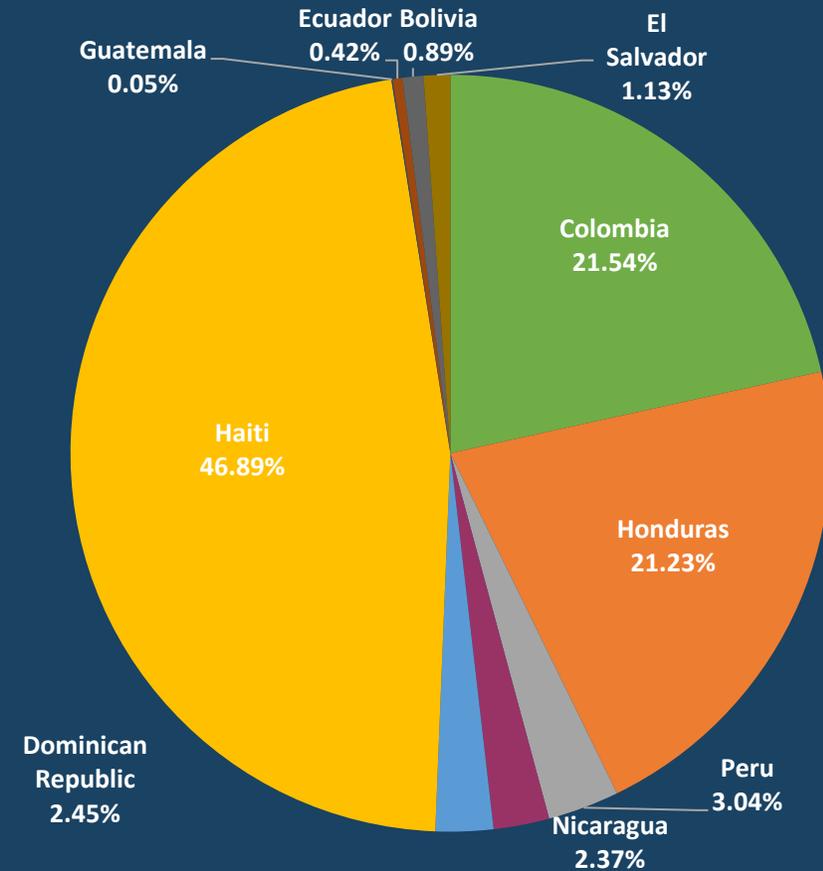
# LAC Host Government Contributions

Contributions from  
past 5 years:

**307 M USD**



## BY COUNTRY



2.5 million people within our crisis activities will not receive direct assistance this year.



**905,000**  
beneficiaries  
excluded from  
WFP assistance.

**HAITI**



**145,000**  
Colombians and  
**230,000**  
migrants excluded.

**COLOMBIA**



More than  
**193,000**  
beneficiaries  
excluded.

**ECUADOR**



**230,000**  
beneficiaries  
excluded.

**HONDURAS**

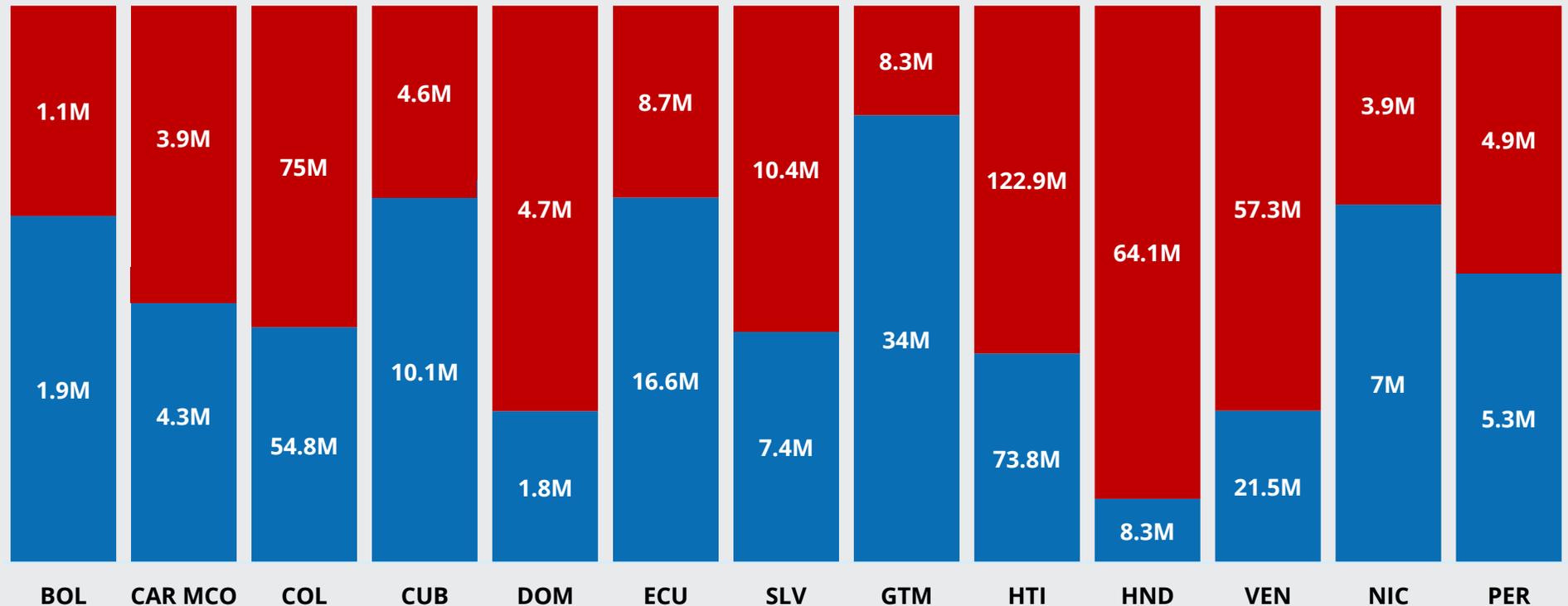
# Effects of Cuts – Crisis Response

# Resourcing Outlook

- NET REQUIREMENT USD 616.5M
- 60% FUNDING GAP
- URGENTLY REQUIRES USD 369.8 M

SHORTFALL

RECEIVED





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