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# Latin America and the Caribbean Region

## COVID-19 Situation Report No. 6

United Nations Population Fund



### Regional Highlights

- The COVID-19 pandemic has hit Latin America and the Caribbean in a context of low growth, marked inequality and vulnerability, growing poverty and extreme poverty, weakening of social cohesion and increasing expressions of social discontent.
- Cases continue to increase in Latin America and are currently at or near the highest levels observed since the start of the pandemic in all countries.
- Most countries in the region have weak and fragmented health systems, which do not guarantee the universal access needed to address the COVID-19 crisis.
- The crisis is also having a considerable impact on women's access to healthcare and, in particular, to sexual and reproductive health services. Lockdown measures enforced in countries have also led to a sharp increase in gender-based violence.
- Contraceptives are expected to suffer shortages or stock outs by the end of this year.
- Provision of PPE for providers of sexual and reproductive health care remains a challenge.
- Disaggregated data collection on maternal deaths and COVID-19 as well as the number of infected pregnant women remains spotty, an important challenge for UNFPA and partners.
- The pandemic is showing increased incidence among vulnerable populations, particularly indigenous people, afro-descendants, prisoners, migrants, and LGBTI people.
- Urgent funding is needed to meet rising needs.

### Situation in Numbers

 **5,206,327** Confirmed COVID-19 Cases

 **209,943** COVID-19 Deaths

Source: WHO 7 August 2020

### Key Population Groups

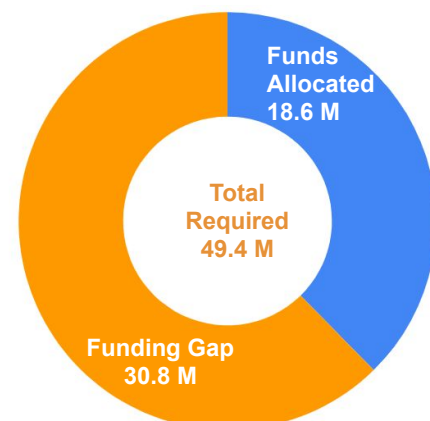
 **8 M** Pregnant Women

 **172 M** Women of Reproductive Age

 **165 M** Young People (age 10-24)

 **58 M** Older Persons (age 65+)

### Funding Status for Region (US\$)



## Coordination and Partnerships

### ***Coordination at regional level***

Regional level coordination supports country offices to respond to COVID-19 in line with the Global Humanitarian Response Plan (GHRP) and UNFPA's Global Response Plan. The GHRP covers multiple LAC countries with humanitarian needs. These are Colombia, Haiti and Venezuela, which have national humanitarian response plans and an additional 17 countries which are covered by the Refugee and Migrant Response Plan (RMRP) for a coordinated response to the needs of refugees and migrants from Venezuela. The RMRP has been revised to address the needs of refugees, migrants and host communities in the context of COVID 19 particularly as related to health and protection. UNFPA participates in the Regional Interagency Coordination Platform for Refugees and Migrants from Venezuela and co-leads the GBV sub-sector. UNFPA also participates actively in the Regional Group on Risks, Emergencies and Disasters for Latin America and the Caribbean (REDLAC) including the health, protection, logistics and shelter sectors.

### ***Coordination at sub regional level***

In the Caribbean, UNFPA is working with sister agencies for the drafting of the UN Socio-Economic Framework to mitigate the social and economic impact of COVID-19. In Trinidad and Tobago, the Socio-Economic Framework was completed and there is ongoing monitoring and updates of the referral pathway. Additionally, the UN COVID-19 Multi-Sectoral Response Plan for Barbados and Eastern Caribbean was reviewed in collaboration with government partners on July 21, 2020, and will be extended to 2021.

### ***Coordination at country level***

UNFPA country offices are re-prioritizing activities and reprogramming resources to respond to the COVID-19 outbreak in support of government response plans. UNFPA provides advocacy and technical assistance to government counterparts and strategic partners to promote the continuity of sexual and reproductive health (SRH) and GBV services. This includes prenatal and postnatal care, safe births, access to contraceptives, GBV prevention and response, protection of frontline health personnel, including midwives, and generation and analysis of data.

UNFPA's activities are conducted in partnership with the UN country team and/or humanitarian country team. UNFPA actively participates in humanitarian coordination mechanisms (including the health and protection clusters) and leads or co-leads the GBV sub-cluster where this has been activated. UNFPA is also engaged in the drafting of the UN's framework for the socio-economic response to COVID-19.



"Youths make a difference" is a campaign carried out by UNFPA in Peru together with the Ministry of Education (MINEDU) and the National Secretariat for Youth (SENAJU). Its objective is to position the new generations as strategic actors in the task of saving lives during the emergency and contributing to democratic coexistence with equal opportunities for men and women during isolation. As part of UNFPA's commitment to interculturality, the campaign's content was translated and disseminated in four native Peruvian languages. [See more >](#)

### Continuity of Sexual Reproductive Health Services and interventions, including protection of health workforce

UNFPA offices in Latin America and the Caribbean are supporting national- and local-level planning, coordination and monitoring to ensure access to SRH services. This includes advocacy as well as technical, programmatic and information management support. UNFPA coordinates efforts with regional partners including PAHO/WHO, UNICEF, Inter-American Development Bank, World Bank, UNAIDS and professional associations, such as La Federación Latinoamericana de Sociedades de Obstetricia y Ginecología and the International Confederation of Midwives. The objective is to support continuity of SRH interventions and access to quality lifesaving SRH information and services for women, adolescents and youth through joint advocacy with health authorities. UNFPA is intensifying its efforts to secure continuity of maternal health care, training of service providers and proper availability of PPE, including in remote areas.

#### Country examples:

- **Argentina:** UNFPA is providing technical assistance at national and regional level to the Ministry of Women, Gender, and Diversity and the Ministry of Health on sexual and reproductive health (SRH) and GBV.
- **Bolivia:** UNFPA is providing technical assistance at national and regional level to the Ministry of Health on sexual and reproductive health with emphasis on COVID-19 and vulnerable populations. Virtual training and workshops have been carried out for health personnel, adolescents and young people regarding contraception, prevention of pregnancy and COVID-19
- **Belize:** UNFPA is contributing to provision of mobile SRH and GBV services, focusing on the rural communities.
- **Brazil:** UNFPA co-leads with PAHO the health sector of the Platform Response for Venezuela with emphasis on reproductive health, including and maternal health and COVID-19 prevention among migrants. UNFPA is starting the distribution of PPE/SRH supplies to health services in several states.
- **Colombia:** Contraceptive services have been provided to migrant women in Arauca and Norte de Santander, in scenarios of armed conflict and to migrant women who now have greater restrictions in accessing SRH services. UNFPA has established a management plan for obstetric care for pregnant women with suspected COVID-19 infection. UNFPA is providing TeleSupport in more than 170 municipalities.
- **Costa Rica:** UNFPA, in conjunction with the MoH has been developing a campaign that encourages [not to abandon controls on sexual and reproductive health during COVID](#).
- **Cuba:** UNFPA ensured the procurement and distribution of 5,000 PPE for health workers in the gyneco-obstetric hospitals and maternal homes. UNFPA is providing 60 SRH kits with reusable equipment for gynecologic and obstetric hospitals for all provinces of the country.
- **Chile:** UNFPA provided technical support to the MoH on the authoring of the "Guide for health professionals about detection and first response to situations of cyber-bullying in adolescents and young people".
- **Dominican Republic:** UNFPA, MoH, PAHO and COE published a guide for shelter operations in hurricane season in the COVID-19 context, with special emphasis on attention to gender-based violence and pregnant women.
- **English and Dutch-speaking Caribbean:** UNFPA is coordinating a series of capacity-building webinars to guide health providers in ensuring the continuity and availability of quality SRH services including availability of modern contraceptives. In Jamaica, with MPTF funding, the SROC is in the process of procuring PPE for health workers. Also supporting the procurement of contraceptives and the provision of telemedicine.

### Continuity of Sexual Reproductive Health Services and interventions, including protection of health workforce

- **Ecuador:** In coordination with UNICEF, UNFPA prepared a proposal for the continuity of sexual and reproductive health, maternal-neonatal health, and child health essential services for inclusion in the Humanitarian Response Plan.
- **El Salvador:** UNFPA has contributed to the continuity of SRH services through the procurement of medical equipment and supplies, including PPE. UNFPA is supporting the MoH in the implementation of a remote health assistance service for maternal and child care. UNFPA is supporting the formulation of an opinion poll on SRH.
- **Guatemala:** UNFPA supported the Office of the Human Rights Attorney (PDH) by ensuring the provision of protective supplies for personnel carrying out periodic supervision of temporary hospitals and other health services.
- **Haiti:** UNFPA is making PPE available for health personnel in several health facilities, providing EmONC services in the departments of South, Grand Anse, North West, South East, and Nippes. It also continues to monitor the availability of vital drugs, while reinforcing maternal death surveillance and family planning promotion.
- **Honduras:** UNFPA is implementing with the Ministry of Health the Project “Saving Lives in Times of COVID-19” aimed at ensuring the continuity of SRHS. With the support of the Canadian Government, 4,000 dignity and biosafety kits were provided to adolescents and youth. 350 first-level health personnel and justice operators were trained on SRHR and GBV in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic.
- **Mexico:** UNFPA is implementing initiatives with the Ministry of Health on SRH care at home for pregnant women to avoid the risk of infection. UNFPA is strengthening networks of primary health care services, with an emphasis on sexual and reproductive, maternal and neonatal health and ensuring the provision of PPE for health personnel working at the first level of neonatal and maternal health care.
- **Nicaragua:** UNFPA has contributed to secure the availability of SRH services through the purchase of medical equipment and supplies, including PPE. UNFPA has been sharing evidence-based recommendations and good practices for the continuity of Pregnancy Care, Childbirth, Puerperium and Family Planning services in the context of the COVID-19 Pandemic.
- **Paraguay:** UNFPA is providing technical assistance to the General Directorate of Health Programs for the development of norms and guidelines.
- **Peru:** UNFPA is supporting the Ministry of Health (MOH) to update and process data on SRH services, including antenatal and postnatal care, and family planning. UNFPA is partnering with PAHO/WHO to support MOH on estimation of maternal mortality at subnational level in COVID-19 context. UNFPA is also supporting the design and implementation of a pilot for continuity of SRH services at subnational level.
- **Uruguay:** UNFPA is distributing guidelines on COVID 19 and pregnancy, HIV, and other topics and partnered with the State Health Services (ASSE) to organize webinars about HIV and COVID-19. UNFPA is providing technical assistance to the National Statistical Office in the design of a telephone survey to collect information on compliance with social isolation measures.
- **Venezuela:** UNFPA is working in close collaboration with other humanitarian partners and authorities to address the needs in prioritized medical centers and temporary shelters for returnees, with emphasis on the needs of women and youth, including pregnant women. UNFPA provides emergency reproductive health kits, PPE, and cleaning supplies among others.



### Addressing Gender-Based Violence

Recognizing the increased vulnerabilities around GBV in the context of COVID 19, UNFPA engages in advocacy and technical assistance to guarantee the continuity of essential services to prevent and respond to GBV. UNFPA mobilizes efforts to provide integrated GBV services through the Spotlight and Essential Service initiatives.

In humanitarian settings, UNFPA invests in life-saving GBV case management, psychosocial support(PSS) services and clinical management of rape using remote modalities where possible in the context of COVID 19. GBV referral pathways are regularly updated to reflect the rapidly changing availability of services for GBV survivors. UNFPA also provides GBV sub-cluster coordination and distributes dignity kits including information about GBV prevention and services.

At regional level UNFPA has developed guidance on providing remote psychosocial support services and is providing training and technical support to country offices and partners for implementation in different settings.

#### Country examples:

- **Argentina:** In the context of the Spotlight initiative, UNFPA, UNDP and UN Women launched two campaigns against GBV: #LaOtraPandemia and the #BastadeFemicidios.
- **Bolivia:** UNFPA, has coordinated with the Ministry of Justice and UN agencies to train 800 officials from municipal services on approaches to gender-based violence. UNFPA also organized a series of virtual discussions with Afro-descendant men called "Men in Quarantine".
- **Brazil:** UNFPA joined efforts with international donors and civil society organizations for the development of the Platform Safe Women (Plataforma Mulher Segura), which focuses on three components: reception, education content and support. UNFPA co-leads the Protection Sector of the R4V Platform (Response for Venezuelans) with UN Women with emphasis on GBV prevention and services.
- **Colombia:** UNFPA co-leads the sub cluster of GBV and SRH/GBV for the COVID-19 response and has strengthened joint advocacy actions to raise awareness on the disproportionate impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on women and girls.
- **Costa Rica:** UNFPA joined forces with the Ministry of Public Security and UNDP to create the campaign #QuedateEnCasa, which seeks to offer tools to men of all ages for managing behaviour without violence. At the request of the Costa Rican Social Security Fund (CCSS), UNFPA is preparing the CCSS Care Manual for survivors of gender-based violence.
- **Cuba:** UNFPA is providing technical assistance to the Cuban Federation of Women in the formulation of the [Guideline for GBV remote services](#). UNFPA supported the mapping of GBV services available in the context of COVID 19 and is positioning GBV and gender equality in the UN socioeconomic response plan.
- **Chile:** UNFPA, in partnership with the Department of Education for Health Sciences of the Faculty of Medicine of the University of Chile, launched the online course Essential Services Package for Women and Girls Survivors of Violence, which will be mandatory for all staff of the Department.
- **Dominican Republic:** UNFPA carried out workshops for UN Officials on the need for an inter-sector response to gender-based violence in emergency contexts, with a focus on programmatic, administrative and operational considerations for the different sectors.

### Addressing

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- **Ecuador:** UNFPA is partnering with NGOs to continue providing psychosocial and legal support services and GBV case management on the northern and southern borders. UNFPA, together with Indoamerica Technological University and the Secretariat of Human Rights, is developing a course on GBV in emergencies.
- **El Salvador:** UNFPA developed a mobile app called APP FEM which contains georeferenced information on emergency telephone numbers and essential services for women survivors of violence.
- **English and Dutch-Speaking Caribbean:** UNFPA has developed services maps including 7 Eastern Caribbean states to inform an assessment of the geographical coverage of services available for women and girls at risk and survivors of GBV. Several GBV referral pathways have been finalized and capacity building interventions scheduled. GBV helplines have been strengthened, and in Belize, expanded to include an additional toll free line and a mobile option for messaging via SMS or WhatsApp.
- **Guatemala:** UNFPA, is coordinating with the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR) and UN Women, to strengthen the national networks on gender and health, sexual violence and midwifery. The GBV protection group, led by UNFPA, is facilitating the integration of actions in different clusters with a focus on GBV.
- **Haiti:** UNFPA is providing health and dignity kits to the most vulnerable pregnant women and survivors of gender-based violence (GBV) in the most remote institutions in the country. UNFPA has also supported the implementation of the COVID 19 action plan to respond to the impact of the pandemic on gender inequalities.
- **Honduras:** In alliance with the National Institute for Women, workshops were organized to train police personnel in GBV. UNFPA provided technical assistance to prepare the guidelines for integrated GBV services in the sectors of justice, protection, health and social services.
- **Mexico:** UNFPA is training public officials on the Essential Service Package for women and girls victims of violence and training health care providers on the national protocols and the availability of emergency contraception as well as prophylaxis post exposition to HIV, in order to improve the response to sexual violence.
- **Nicaragua:** UNFPA is strengthening the capacities of shelters in the Caribbean Coast to prevent and respond to GBV and supporting the Ministry of Family, Adolescent and Childhood to strengthen the capacity of the telephone hotline for receiving complaints on GBV and providing support and referrals to survivors.
- **Paraguay:** As part of the interagency project “Paraguay protects women, girls, and adolescents against violence in the context of the COVID-19 ,” UNFPA has advanced in its work plan by hiring professionals, strengthening inter-institutional working groups and securing the provision of needed equipment.
- **Peru:** UNFPA is providing technical assistance to the Ministry of Women and Vulnerable Population (MIMP) for design of a learning programme on masculinities as part GBV prevention interventions.
- **Trinidad and Tobago:** UNFPA is working with the Living Waters Community and the Family Planning Association of Trinidad and Tobago to provide dignity kits, GBV counselling and referral, and clinical management of rape services to the refugee and migrant community.
- **Uruguay:** UNFPA is providing technical assistance to the Government for GBV prevention and mitigation measures.
- **Venezuela:** UNFPA leads the GBV Area of Responsibility and is also coordinating actions with the authorities to address the needs of returnees and people in temporary shelters. A center for health care and GBV prevention and response has been established in a border community through joint action between UNFPA and UNICEF.

### Ensuring the supply of modern contraceptives and other reproductive health commodities

As part of the effort to secure a supply of contraceptives, UNFPA is providing technical support to governments in analyzing the availability of reproductive health supplies, forecasting needs and anticipating shortages and/or possible stock-outs.

#### Country examples:

- **Brasil:** UNFPA is developing a project for assuring the continuity of sexual and reproductive health services in the Marajó Island through the procurement of SRH supplies and innovative digital delivery system.
- **Colombia:** UNFPA provided long-acting contraceptives to rural hospitals in different municipalities to prevent unwanted pregnancies. In addition, UNFPA ensured the procurement and distribution of PPE/SRH supplies both through the Health for Peace Project and the Interagency Strategy for Reduction of Maternal Mortality in Indigenous Communities.
- **Costa Rica:** UNFPA has donated 1,300 female condoms, acquired in the context of the INAMU-UNFPA project for the prevention of adolescent pregnancy and gender-based violence. These are being distributed among women with difficulties in accessing health services due to the pandemic.
- **Cuba:** UNFPA is supporting the Ministry of Health by contributing to ensure the supply of modern contraceptives. UNFPA is buying subdermal implants and emergency contraception for adolescents and women in reproductive risk. In addition, UNFPA is acquiring medicines for pregnant women according to priorities of the National Maternal-Child Programme.
- **Ecuador:** UNFPA is procuring sexual and reproductive health kits, including male condoms, contraceptives, IUDs, and supplies for clinical management of sexual violence. These kits will be utilized to deliver services to vulnerable women on the northern border of Ecuador.
- **English and Dutch-Speaking Caribbean:** The SROC has been supporting Ministries of Health with the assessment and management of the risks of stock outs of contraceptives. In Trinidad and Tobago, the Government has completed a stock assessment report on commodities and UNFPA is also strategically assisting with the installation of a logistics management information system for all pharmaceuticals, called SALMI. Additionally, with funding under the MPTF, UNFPA has initiated procurement of Depo Provera on behalf of the National Family Planning Board in Jamaica.
- **Haiti:** UNFPA has supported the provision of essential drugs to targeted Departments. The distribution of PPE to the 10 Departments is ongoing to protect service providers from COVID 19 and ensure continuity of integrated services for maternal health, family planning and sexual violence.
- **Honduras:** UNFPA has continued assisting the Ministry of Health on monitoring the situation of the provision of modern contraceptive methods in the country in the context of COVID-19.
- **Mexico:** A mass media campaign was launched to increase awareness on resource allocation for the procurement of modern contraceptives. Capacities of healthcare managers and service providers have been strengthened to improve the logistics management of contraceptive commodities, through a virtual course.
- **Panama:** UNFPA has purchased biosecurity equipment to protect maternal health workers in the Guna Yala area as well as RH supplies for migrant women in the shelters of Darien region and Chiriqui region.
- **Peru:** UNFPA is providing technical assistance to MOH for the design of community-based strategies for distribution of contraceptives, including specific strategies targeted to adolescents in coordination with civil society organizations. UNFPA has also supported MOH on verification of contraceptives stock and preparation of MIPLAN exercise, and is providing technical assistance to ensure updated data on delivery of contraceptives at subnational level.
- **Venezuela:** UNFPA is joining efforts with authorities to address the needs for reproductive health commodities, by providing contraceptives in prioritized medical centers, temporary shelters and through the door-to-door strategy at community level led by the Ministry of Health.

### Risk communication and community engagement, including youth engagement

UNFPA is supporting risk communication and community engagement with national health authorities and other partners to develop, implement and monitor an action plan for communicating effectively with the public. UNFPA is engaging with communities and other stakeholders in the public health response to COVID-19.

#### Country examples:

- **Bolivia:** UNFPA in coordination with Municipal Governments is conducting a series of workshops for adolescents and young people on protection and self-care of young people with disabilities in times of COVID-19.
- **Brasil:** UNFPA is partnering with the Brazilian Association of Population Studies to conduct weekly webinars for the general public about the multisectoral impacts of the pandemic.
- **Colombia:** As part of the strategy to respond to the specific demand of information and services of maternal health via the 192 phone line, UNFPA is providing technical assistance for the training of operators.
- **Chile:** In the framework of the Joint Project on HIV in Chile, UNFPA leads the community component with emphasis on the strategy of Sex Education outside of school.
- **Costa Rica:** UNFPA, along with UNICEF, is carrying out the campaign #EnBuenaNota, specifically aimed at youth, with messages on COVID prevention measures.
- **Dominican Republic:** UNFPA is carrying out of Live Events on social media platforms, aimed at adolescents and young people, treating different subjects, including GBV in COVID-19 context.
- **Ecuador:** UNFPA, Care and UNICEF conducted a [virtual forum](#) about pregnancy in girls and adolescents, and its relationship with COVID-19.
- **El Salvador:** UNFPA is providing training on Comprehensive Sexuality Education in prioritized municipalities.
- **English and Dutch-speaking Caribbean:** Risk communication and community engagement on SRH, GBV and COVID-19 are ongoing.
- **Guatemala:** UNFPA provided technical assistance to the transgender organization (OTRANS) for the development of the report on the situation of trans people in the context of COVID – 19.
- **Haiti:** UNFPA together with the MoH, continue to broadcast “ALo SajFanm” a public information campaign that answers questions and concerns of pregnant women during COVID-19 pandemic.
- **Honduras:** UNFPA has provided technical assistance for the preparation of a Law for the "Protection of Afro-Honduran and Indigenous Peoples”.
- **Mexico:** UNFPA carried out several online youth dialogues in collaboration with the Office of the Resident Coordinator, UNESCO and other members of the Inter-agency Group on Youth.
- **Nicaragua:** UNFPA is supporting Voces Caribeñas, a communication strategy to inform and mobilize indigenous and afro descendant’s women regarding regarding GBV in COVID-19.
- **Paraguay:** UNFPA is providing technical assistance to a group of adolescents and young people in its [peer-to-peer #CSE telephone service](#), to provide orientation to adolescents about SRH.
- **Peru:** UNFPA is working with National Secretariat of Youth (SENAJU) to promote [youth participation at community level in COVID response](#), including the promotion of voices of young people.
- **Venezuela:** UNFPA in close partnership with the Ministry of Health, Ministry of Home Affairs, Ministry of Women, PAHO/WHO and UNAIDS has developed nationwide awareness campaigns about the use of the PPE.



## Media and Communications

UNFPA is reaching out to populations about the COVID-19 pandemic, especially with regard to the plight of women, girls and young people, and the need for SRH and GBV prevention and response services.

- Regional: [UNFPA Latin America and the Caribbean: COVID-19 website](#)
- ONU: [Para reconstruir mejor, es necesario transformar el modelo de desarrollo de América Latina y el Caribe](#)
- Argentina: [Una iniciativa para acompañar a personas con VIH en la crisis por COVID-19](#)
- Bolivia: [El Impacto de la COVID-19 en la Salud Sexual y Reproductiva en Bolivia](#)
- Brasil: UNFPA is partnering with the National Social Service of Commerce (SESC) in the national media campaign “[You are not alone](#)” (Você não está sozinha) focusing on GBV prevention and attention.
- Colombia: [Durante la pandemia las personas LGBTIQ pueden ser particularmente vulnerables](#)
- Costa Rica: Campaign [¡Seguimos pendientes de vos!](#) aimed at women at risk of violence
- Cuba: [UNFPA entrega donación a instituciones de salud cubanas como parte de la respuesta a la crisis](#)
- Ecuador: [UNFPA published the official newsletter “Covid-19 y Frontera Norte”](#)
- El Salvador: [Adolescentes reciben apoyo a través del proyecto “Protección de niñas y adolescentes ante la violencia sexual, el embarazo y uniones tempranas”](#). [UNFPA El Salvador informa sobre COVID-19](#)
- Guatemala: [Kits que protegen ante la COVID-19 y refuerzan la dignidad](#)
- Haiti: [Services are back in healthcare institutions after the distribution of personal protective equipment](#)
- Honduras: [Alianza entre UNFPA y ODECO favorecerá a 2000 mujeres, adolescentes y jóvenes en 64 comunidades Afro-hondureñas en el marco de la respuesta a la pandemia por COVID19](#)
- México: [ONU impulsa con el Gobierno de México y aliados alojamientos en hoteles para mujeres, niñas y niños víctimas de violencia](#)
- Nicaragua: [UNFPA entrega equipos de protección personal ante la COVID-19 para el personal de salud agremiados en SONIGOB y para el personal de salud de las clínicas de PROFAMILIA](#)
- Paraguay: [MINNA y el UNFPA unen esfuerzos para proteger a niñas, niños y adolescentes y prevenir el COVID-19](#)
- Perú: [A trello board](#) has been created to showcase all communication campaigns implemented in COVID-19
- Uruguay: [120 trabajadores y usuarios de la Administración de Servicios de Salud del Estado \(ASSE\) participaron en espacio virtual de conocimiento e información sobre el VIH en tiempos de la pandemia del COVID-19](#)
- Venezuela: [UNFPA Venezuela realiza entrega de Kits de Dignidad a mujeres privadas de libertad en el Centro de Coordinación Policial Vizcaíno ubicado en el estado Bolívar](#)

### FEATURED STORY

#### [Covid-19 in Haiti: Services are back in healthcare institutions after the distribution of personal protective equipment by UNFPA](#)

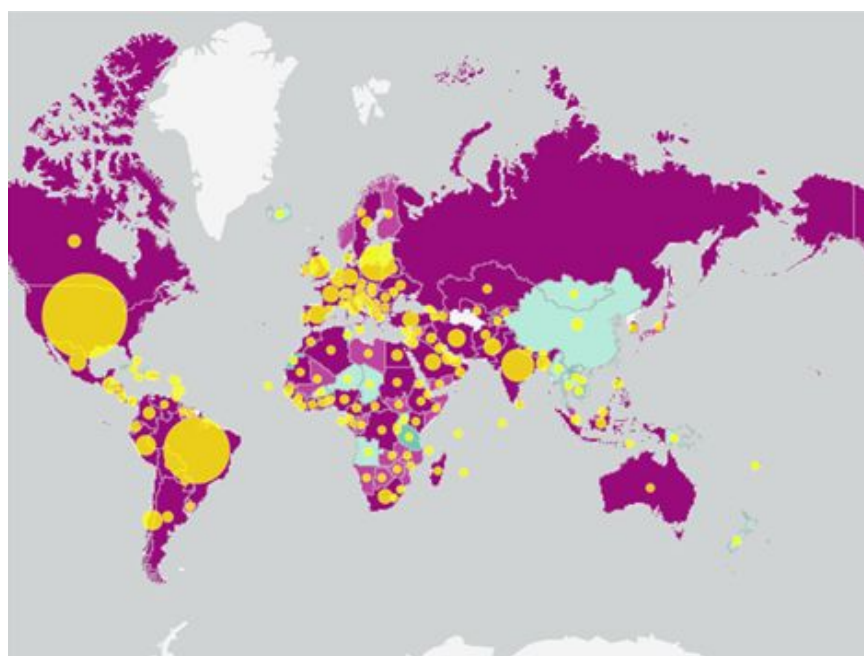
PORT AU PRINCE, Haiti - Emergency services have just been reopened after the decontamination at the Immaculée Conception Hospital (HIC) of Port-de-Paix, in the North West of Haiti.



UNFPA helps Haiti fight COVID-19. Photo Credit: UNFPA Haiti

## Confirmed Cases and Deaths (UNFPA programme countries) WHO, 7 August 2020

Country	Confirmed Cases	Deaths
Argentina	220,682	4,135
Bolivia (Plurinational State of)	85,141	3,385
Brazil	2,859,073	97,256
Caribbean*	5,785	131
Chile	366,671	9,889
Colombia	345,714	11,624
Costa Rica	20,417	191
Cuba	2,775	88
Dominican Republic	76,536	1,246
Ecuador	90,537	5,877
El Salvador	19,126	513
Guatemala	54,339	2,119
Haiti	7,544	171
Honduras	45,098	1,423
Mexico	456,100	49,698
Nicaragua	3,266	123
Panama	70,231	1,553
Paraguay	6,060	61
Peru	447,624	20,228
Uruguay	1,309	37
Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)	22,299	195
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>5,206,327</b>	<b>209,943</b>



See UNFPA's [COVID-19 Population Vulnerability Dashboard](#) for real-time updates

\* Belize, Guyana, Saint Lucia, Jamaica, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago, Anguilla, Antigua and Barbuda, Aruba, Bahamas, Barbados, Bermuda, British Virgin Islands, Cayman Islands, Dominica, Grenada, Montserrat, Netherlands Antilles, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Turks and Caicos Islands