# PUBLIC PERCEPTIONS LABORATORY ON MIGRATION

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Migration Unit



# A region in movement

- Flows from Venezuela
- Return migration to the North of Central America
- Diaspora
- Migrant caravan
- Secondary migrants



### **MIGRATION UNIT**

NON REIMBURSABLE RESOURCES

**TECHNICAL COOPERATION** 

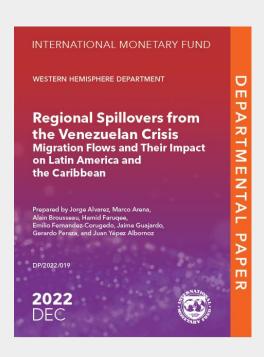
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## Venezuelan Migration



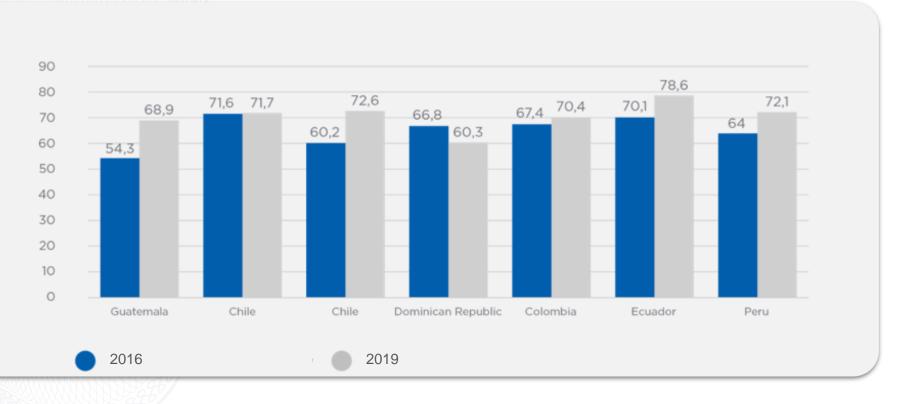


0,1% - 0,25% GDP

Main host countries

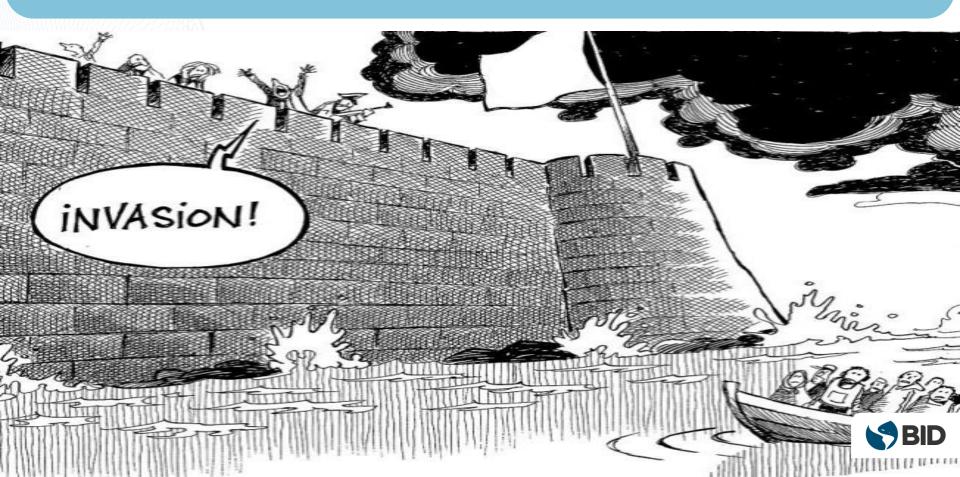


## Migrant Acceptance Index 2016 - 2019



Source: Gallup

## Myths and false believes

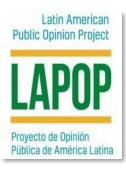


## Social exclusion has costs for migrant populations...

But also, for receiving communities.

- 1. Lower socio-economic integration
- 2. Fiscal impacts
- 3. Lower economic growth
- 4. Intragroup violence
- 5. Trust











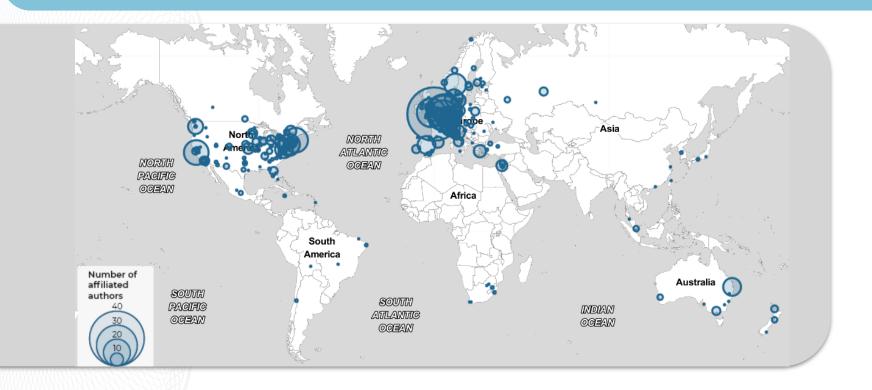








### We need more information



Source: Research on Public Attitudes to Migration: What, Where and by Who? (OPAM)











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#### Citizen Perception Laboratory on Migration

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## Public Perceptions Laboratory on Migration

Experiments on changing attitudes and behaviors



Public Perceptions Laboratory on Migration Repository of studies and best practices on perceptions and migration



Analysis and visualization of social media conversation on migration



Analysis and visualization of regional public opinion surveys





## Public Perceptions Laboratory on Migration

What's the volume of the conversation online?

#### Conversation

What do people talk about on social media?

Conversation





# The conversation about migration on LAC

26 countries and cities





¿How's the sentiment towards migration on social media?



#### **Communities**

How's the experience of migrant populations?



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The perception of migration in Latin

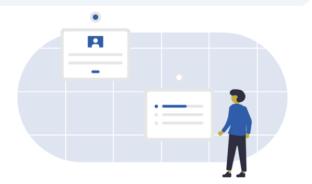


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#### What is the region feeling?

The most comprehensive analysis of migration surveys in Latin America and the Caribbean.

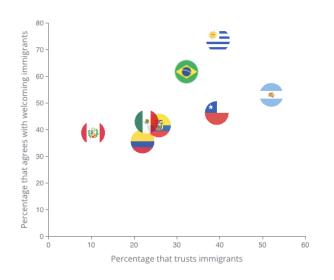
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## General Feelings on migration and migrant people

Recently, there is a general tendency in the region to reject migration and migrant people. Regional surveys show that a significant percentage of native people do not feel comfortable having immigrants as their neighbors or even receiving them in their country. In fact, they are inclined to mistrust immigrants. It is not surprising that the subregions that present a more marked tendency towards rejection of migration are those that have received massive flows of migrants in a short period of time. For example, the Andean region after the growing migration from Venezuela.

Source: World Values Survey (2017 - 2020, 2010 - 2014, 2005 - 2009), Latinobarómetro (2020)





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## What is social media saying?

We monitor and analyze the conversation on social networks and the media about migration in 26 countries in the region.

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Source: Citizen Perception Laboratory on Migration, Inter-American Development Bank, 2023



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#### From knowledge to action

What works and what doesn't in order to change people's perceptions of migration? We researched, analyzed and ran experiments to learn the best strategies for building a positive narrative on migration.



#### Un Mundo Mejor para Migrantes en América Latina y el Caribe

Las actitudes de la población local hacia la migración influyen en el diseño de la política migratoria y en la integración socioeconómica de las personas migrantes. La cohesión social en las comunidades de acogida es fundamental para el aprovechamiento de los beneficios potenciales de la migración. El BID, en conjunto con el PNUD, ha implementado una intervención, en la forma de videos, en nueve países de América Latina y el Caribe, que busca influir y modificar las percepciones y actitudes de la población local hacia la migración.

Researchers: BID y PNUD

Country: Barbados, Colombia, Costa Rica, Chile, Ecuador, México, Perú, República Dominicana, Trinidad y Tobago

Program Area: América Latina

Topics: Comportamiento, Preferencias y Migración

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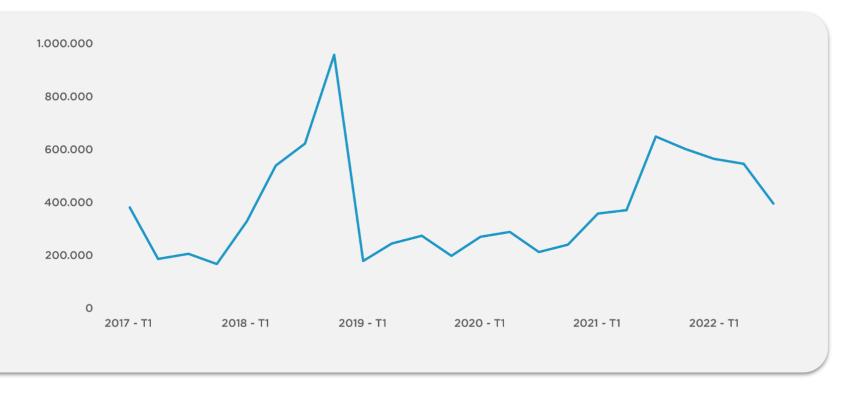
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## Final Conclusions



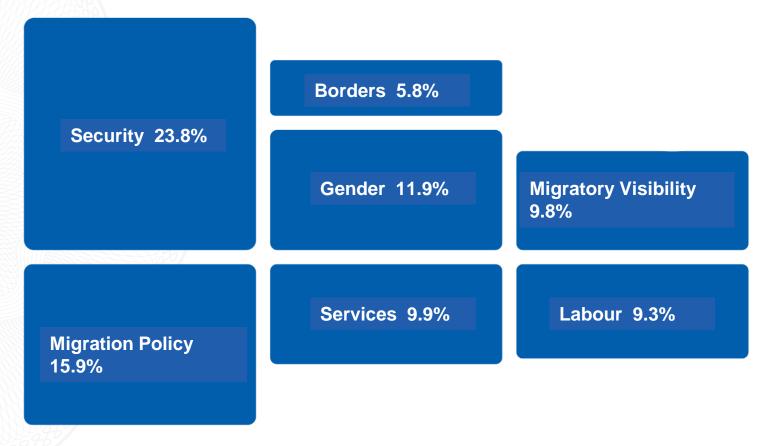


## The conversation on migration is increasing



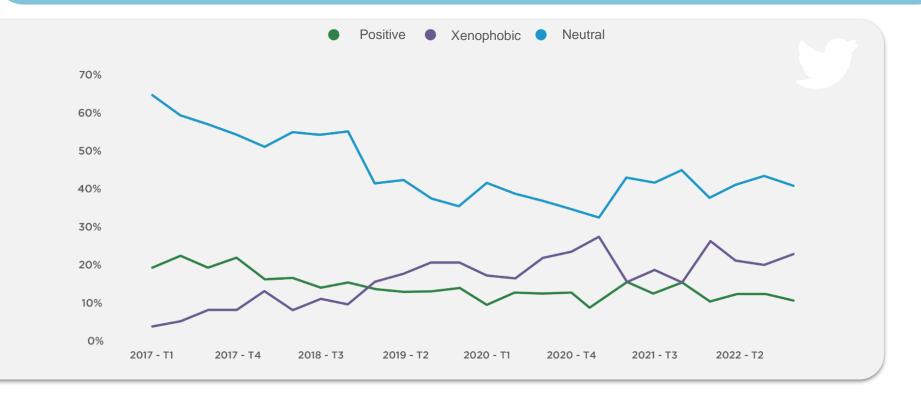


### There are themes that matter more than others...



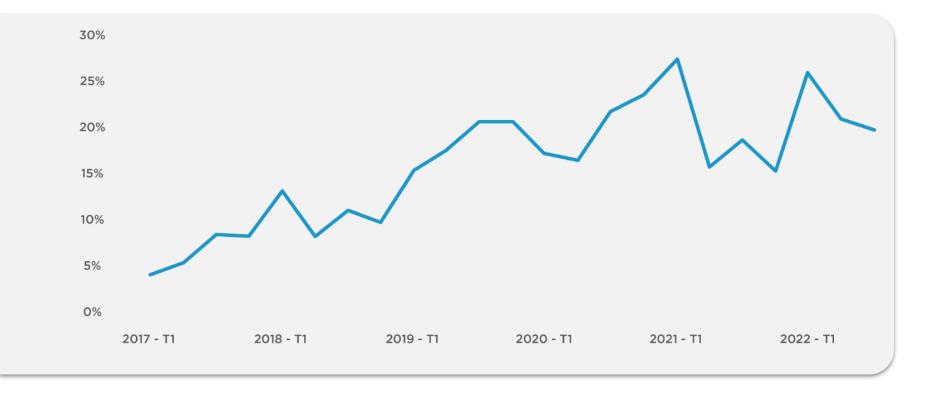


## Evolution of sentiment about migration on Twitter





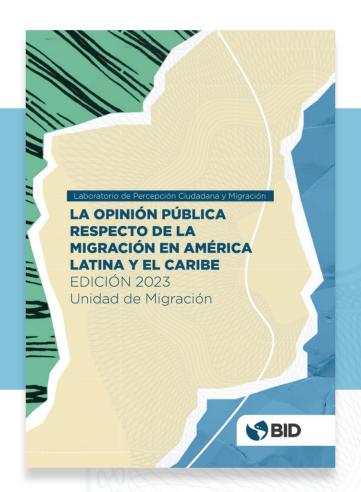
## Xenophobic conversation on Twitter





## But we can change the narrative









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