

# Universal Civil Identity Project of the Americas (PUICA)



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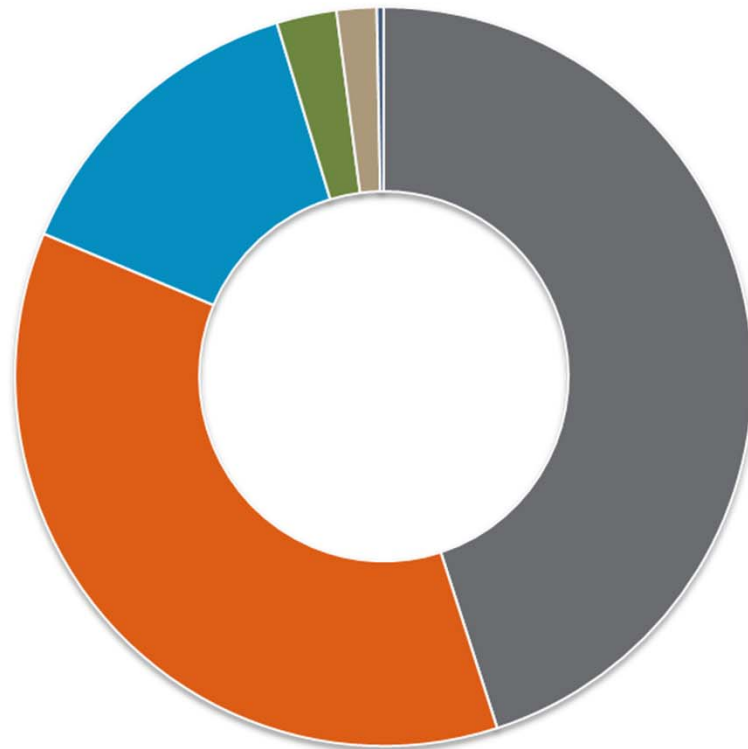
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# Under-Registration of Births

1,74%



## Global Under-Registration

- South of Asia
- Sub Saharan Africa
- East Asia and The Pacific
- Middle East and North Africa
- Latin America and The Caribbean
- Central and Eastern Europe



## Universal Civil Identity Project of the Americas

- PUICA was adopted by OAS member states in 2008 and reaffirmed in 2010, 2012 and 2014
- Mandate: support member states in their efforts to achieve universality and accessibility of civil registration
- PUICA's goal is to achieve universal birth registration of children 5-years of age and younger by 2015





# Strategic lines of action

- I. Hospital Birth Registration
- II. Mobile Registration and Public Awareness Campaigns
- III. Reconstruction of destroyed or lost records
- IV. Institutional interoperability and database security
- V. Promote international / regional cooperation
- VI. Identification and dissemination of Successful Practices



## Program Results 2008 -2015

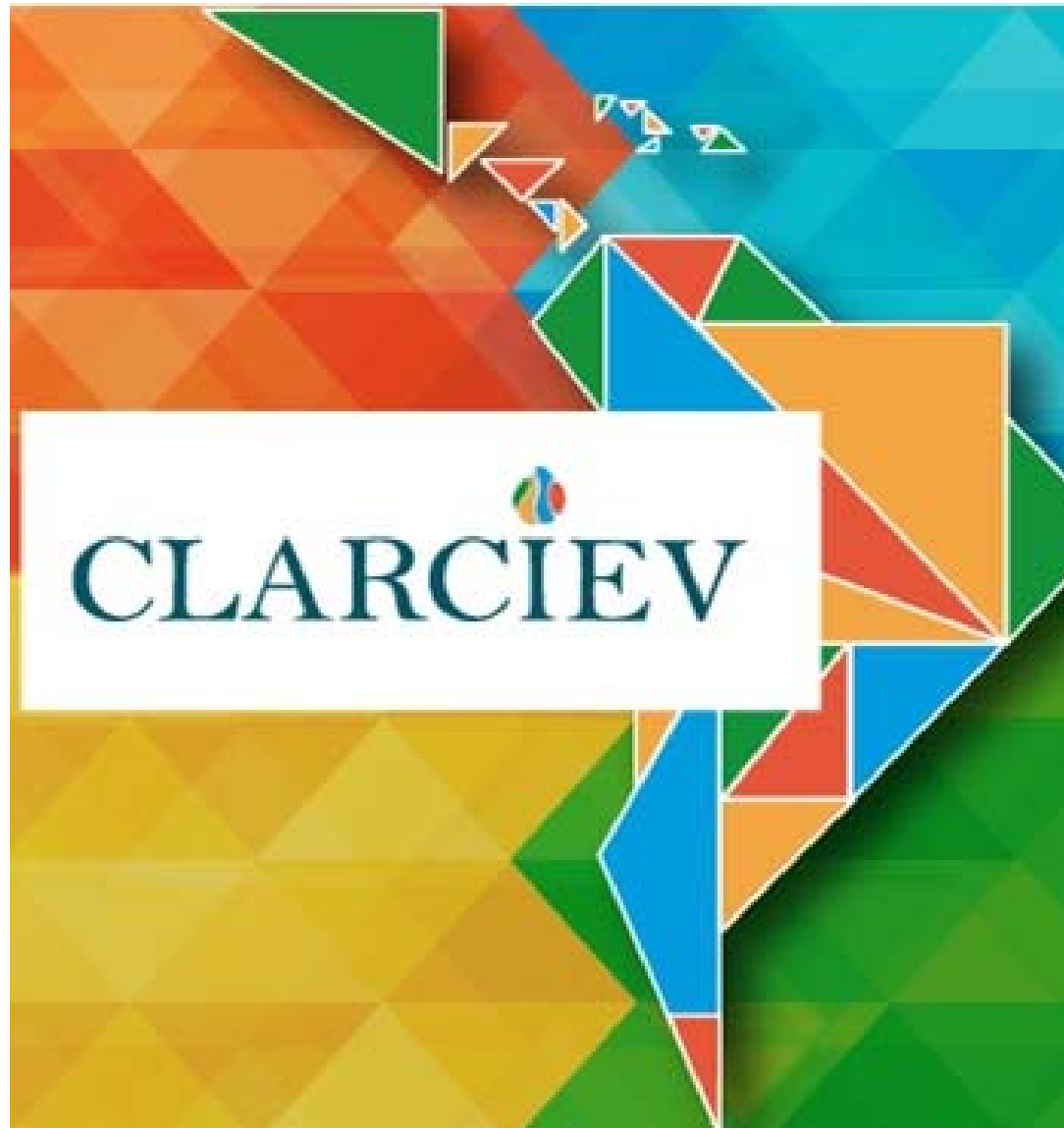
- More than 19 million birth certificates and identity cards issued and delivered
- Activities held in 19 of the 34 OAS Member States
- Executive Secretariat of the Latin American and Caribbean Council for Civil Registration, Identity and Vital Statistics (CLARCIEV)







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## CLARCIEV

- Created in 2005, formed by 19 member states (Jamaica, Haiti, Belice)
- Broad representation of civil registration authorities from Latin America
- Annual meetings to share experiences and review the regional goal to eradicate under-registration



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# Vital Statistics

- Clear connection between Civil Registration and Vital Statistics
- Discrepancies in information between Civil Registries and National Statistical Institutes on under-registration percentages



# Under-registration in the Caribbean

Total registered (%)	
Antigua and Barbuda	—
Bahamas	—
Barbados	—
Belize	95
Dominica	—
Guyana	88
Grenada	—
Haiti	80
Jamaica	98
Saint Kitts and Nevis	—
Saint Lucia	92
Trinidad and Tobago	97



# Challenges ahead

- Standard methodology for measuring the registration of births
- Clear and functional mechanisms of information transfer
- Greater interaction between the authorities of vital statistics and civil registration in subregional forums



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# Thank you!

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