

PEACEBUILDING AND HUMAN SECURITY IN REFUGEE COMMUNITIES: UN, STATE, AND NON-STATE NETWORKS

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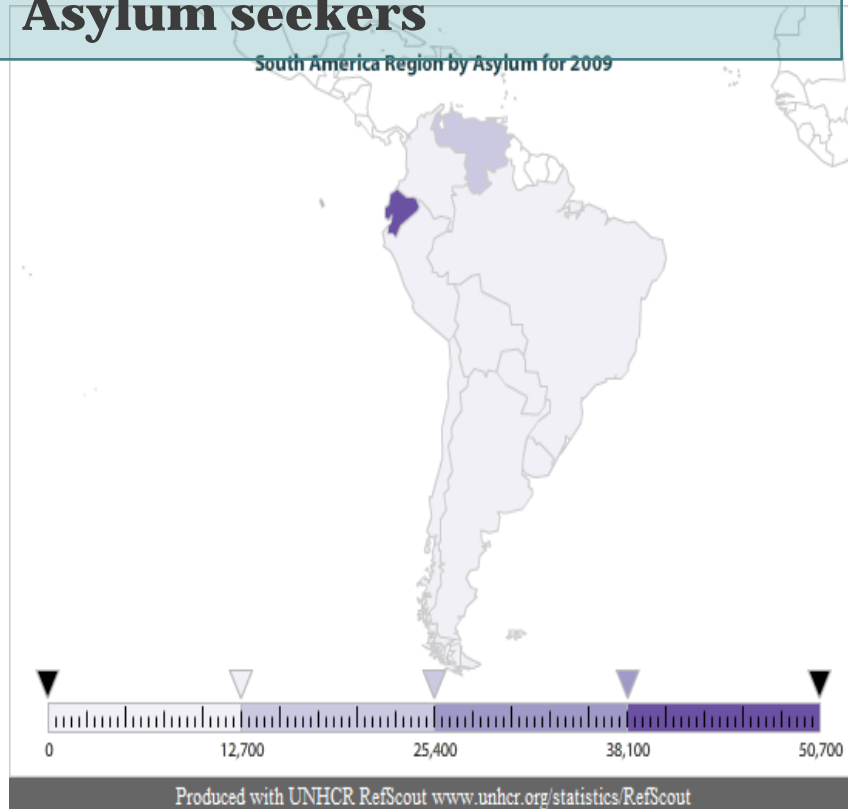


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Refugees & Asylum seekers by country

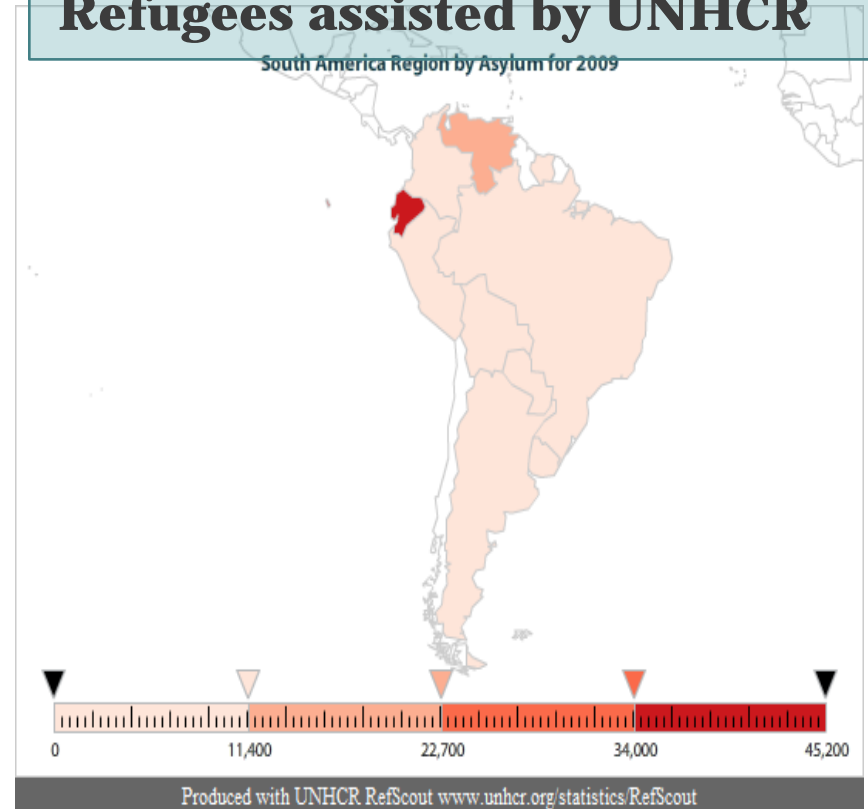
Asylum seekers

South America Region by Asylum for 2009

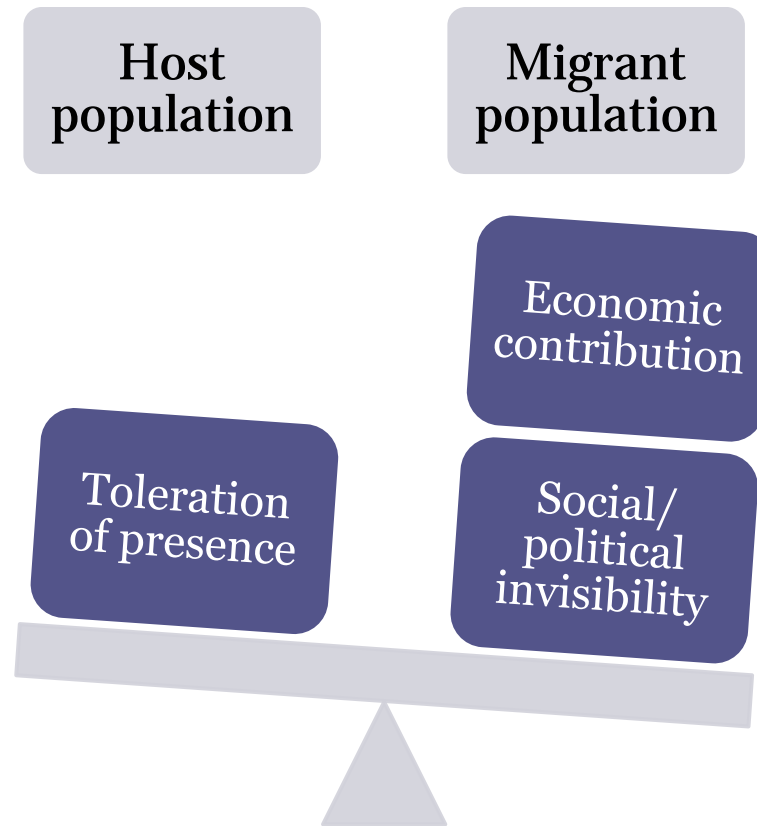


Refugees assisted by UNHCR

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The Invisibility Bargain



Presence without legal recognition or access to rights

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Vulnerability in the Invisibility Bargain

- “Women fleeing from Colombia often continue being abused and are afraid to do anything because of their fear of others and from fear of being deported. Becoming a refugee is often an emotional blow, and it often affects people’s self-esteem.”
-Ecuadorian social worker who works with the refugee population
- “They believe that they do not have rights, they say ‘we do not have the right to complain’...and since they are in such a poor condition of life, so precarious, I believe that more than one simply bears and accepts the violence.” –church worker

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4 dimensions of Peacebuilding (R³P)



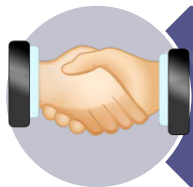
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Rights



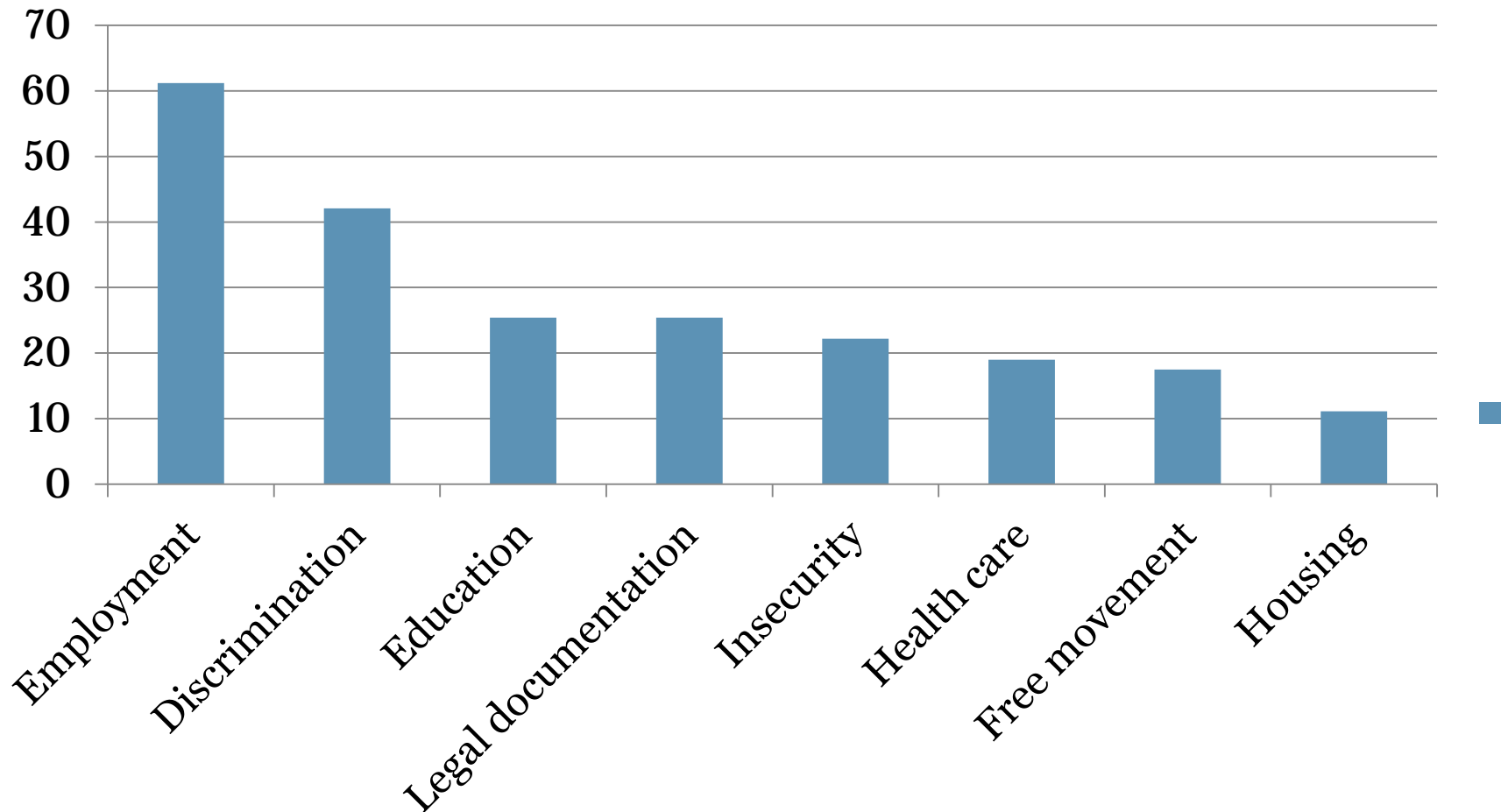
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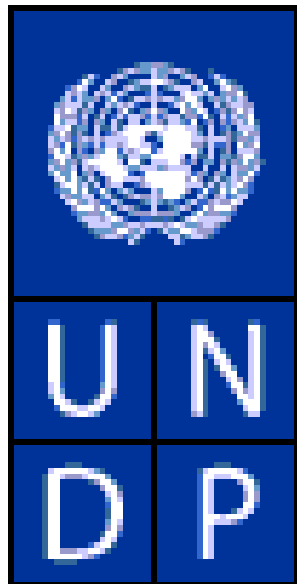
Recognition

What is the principal problem Colombians face in Ecuador?

Principal problem (%)



Case Study I: Interagency Program on Peace & Development in the Northern Border Zone of Ecuador (PDP-FN)



Case study II: Enhanced Registration

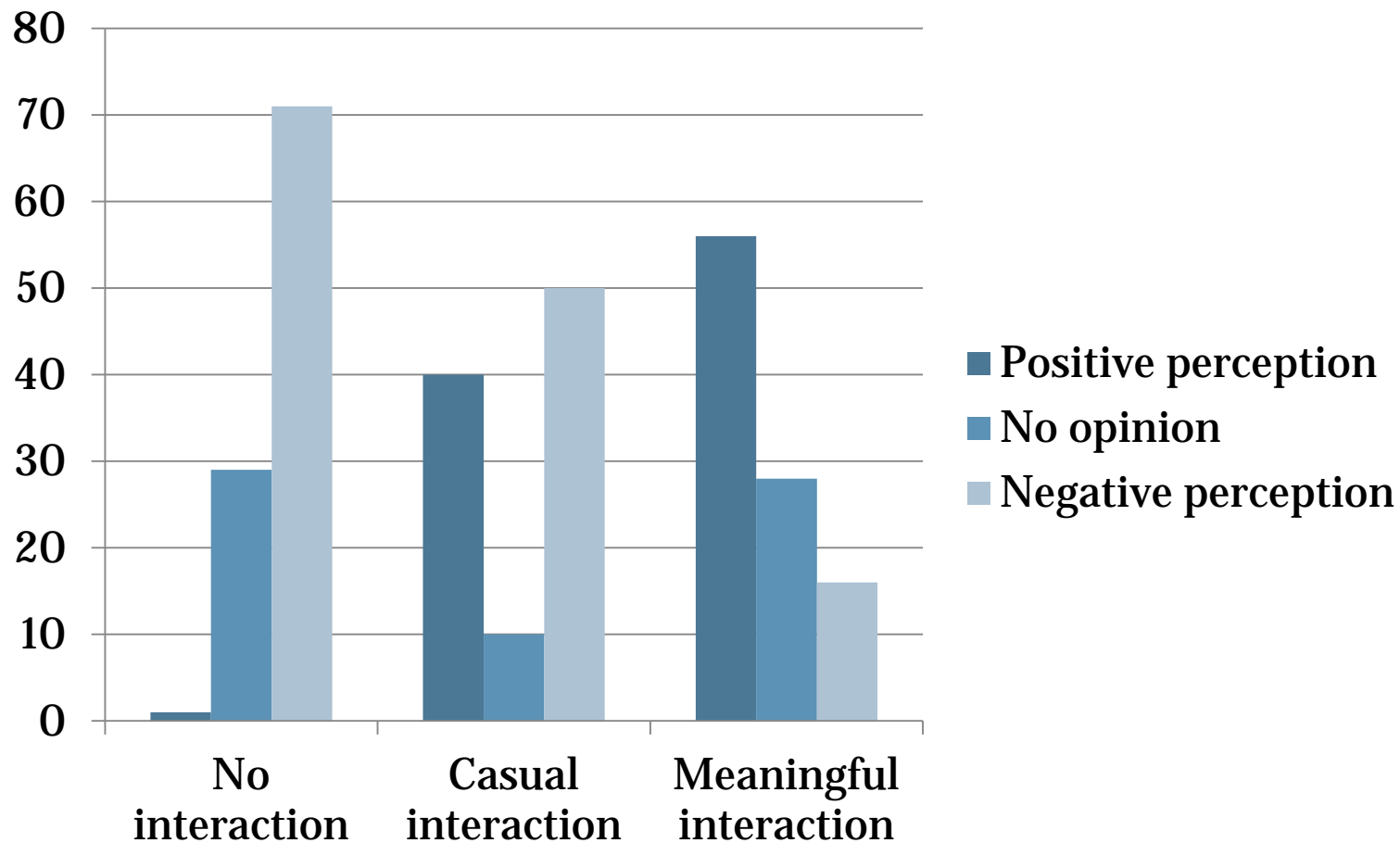
- 2009-10 Joint initiative between GoE and UNHCR (with NGO partners/observers)
- Mobile registration brigades + public communication
- Legalized 27,000+ Colombians, more than doubled # of registered refugees in Ecuador



CEMPROC Breaking Destructive Cycles: Dialogue with Colombian & Ecuadorean Women

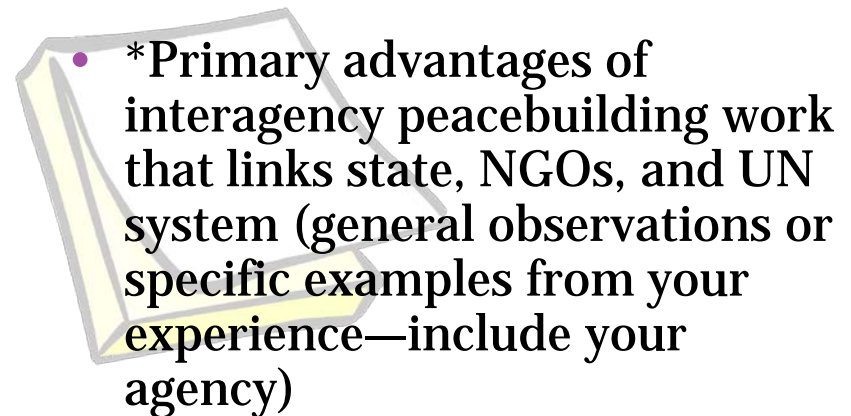


Effect of meaningful interaction with Ecuadorians on Colombians' attitudes

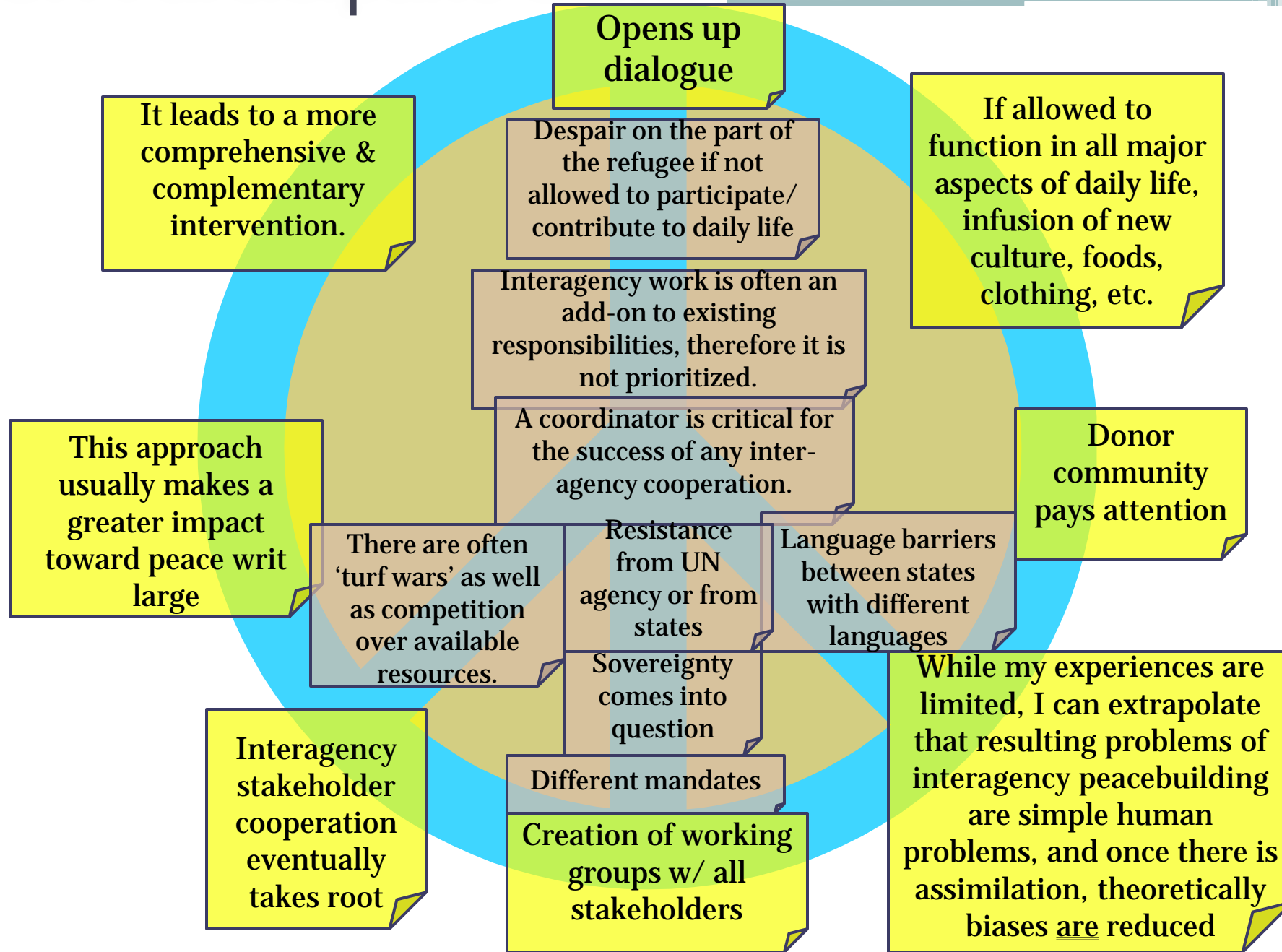


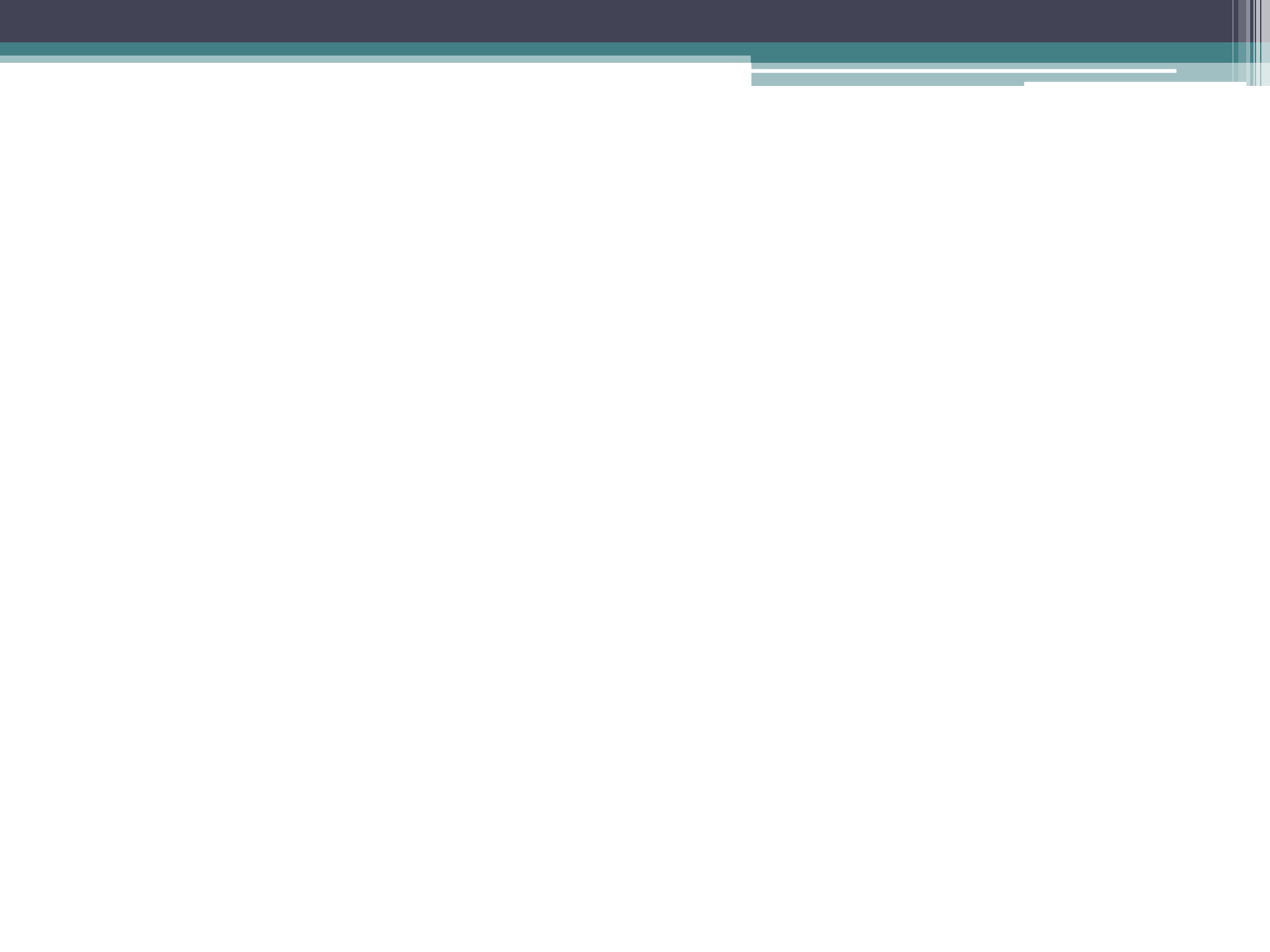
Governance Networks: State, UN, and NGOs

- Local buy-in, priorities, and sustainability are crucial
- Often, actor without government authority is more flexible to open political space and dialogue among invisible populations
- Dialogue is most effective when task-oriented toward shared problems, and incorporating R³P
- Key governance functions carried out by NGOs or UN don't necessarily erode, and may strengthen, the state

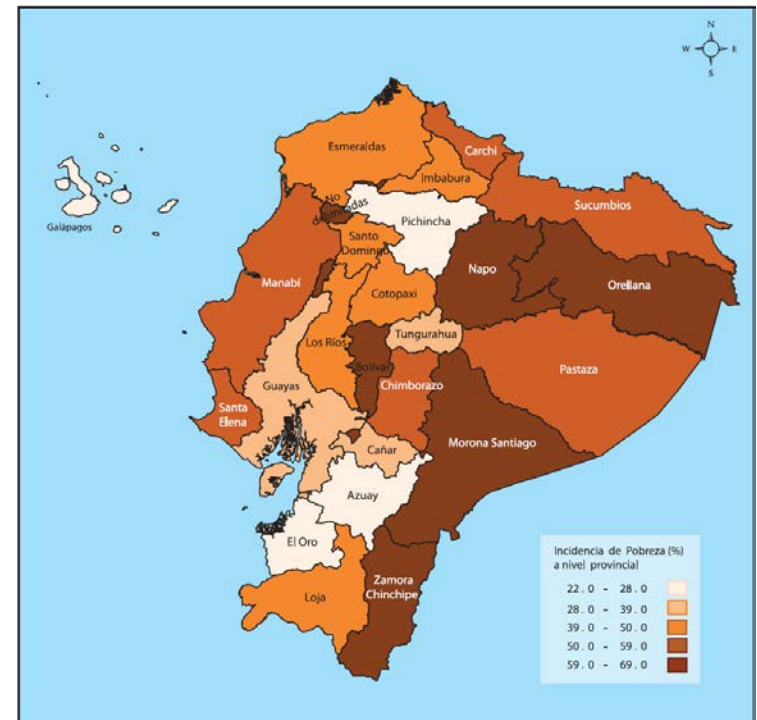
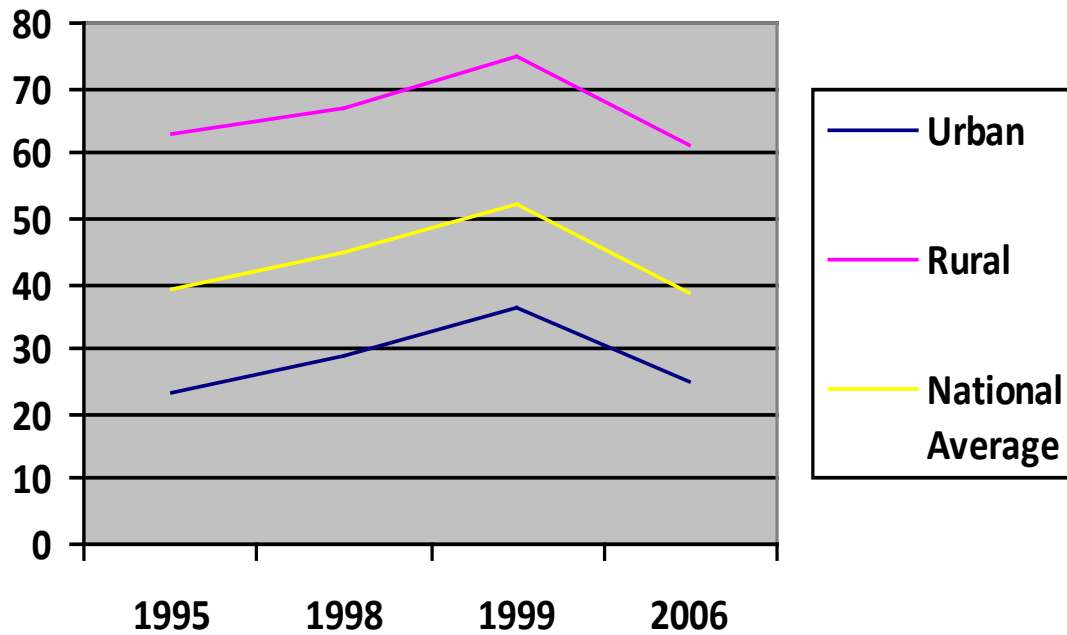


UN Participant Contributions

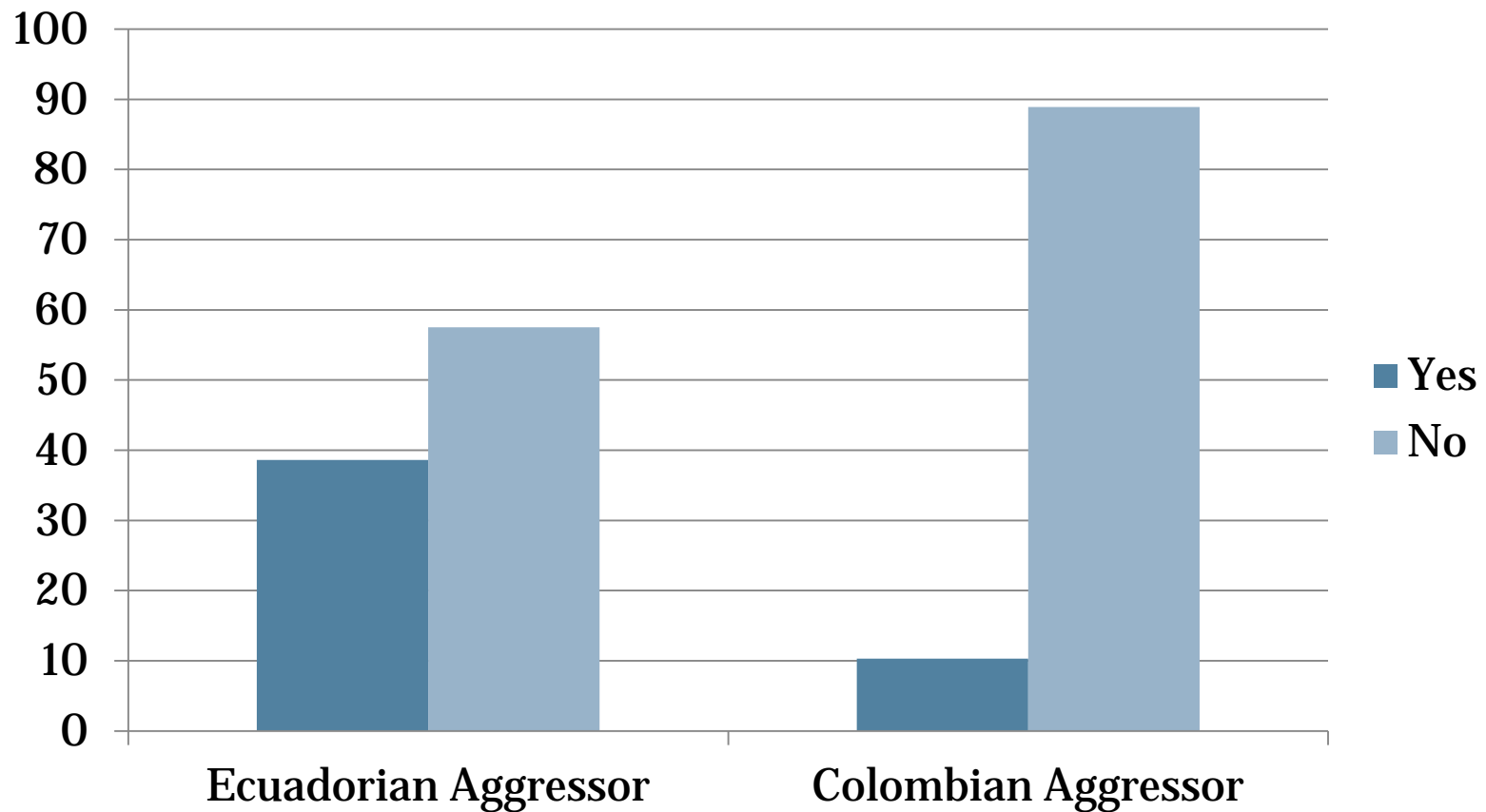




% of population living in poverty



% of Colombians who have been victim of violent crime in Ecuador



Colombian victim response after violent attack in Ecuador

