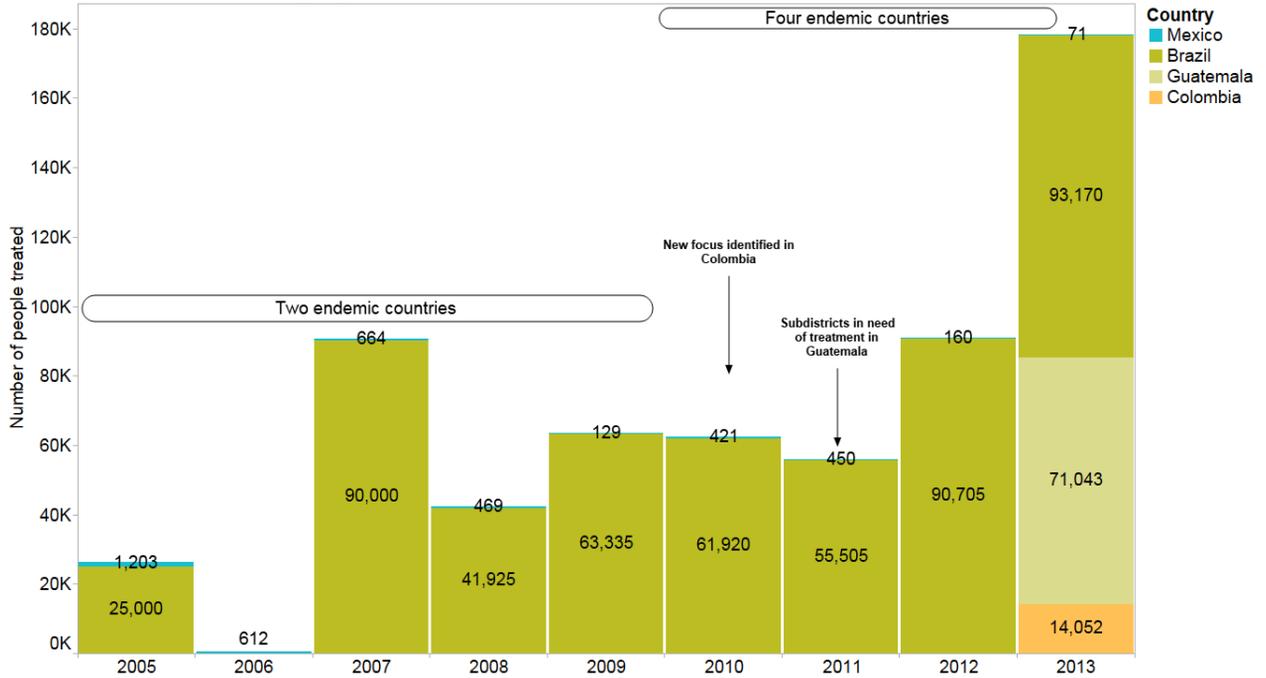


# Blinding trachoma in the Americas: progress on preventive chemotherapy, 2013

Number of people treated for ocular trachoma in the Americas, 2005-2013



Source: data reported by countries to the Regional Program of Neglected Infectious Diseases, PAHO/WHO.

Four countries with people at risk of infection (Brazil, Colombia, Guatemala and Mexico); 11 million people requiring preventive chemotherapy

178,266 people treated in 2013; Colombia and Brazil implementing preventive chemotherapy; Guatemala will evaluate impact in 2015

Blinding trachoma is targeted for elimination: Mexico might be close to elimination

Progress towards the elimination of blinding trachoma in the Americas, 2015

	2014	2015†	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020‡
<b>Brazil</b>	Targeted preventive chemotherapy			Impact assessment	STOP MDA		Pre-validation surveillance
<b>Colombia</b>	MDA			Impact assessment	STOP MDA		
<b>Guatemala</b>	MDA	Impact assessment	STOP MDA		Pre-validation surveillance		
<b>Mexico</b>	STOP MDA	Pre-validation surveillance					

† Date to reach the elimination goal in the Region (PAHO's Resolution CD49.R19, 2009)

‡ Date to reach the elimination goal at global level (WHA's Resolution 51.11, 1998)

MDA: Mass Drug Administration

The phases showed in this table are based on the Technical consultation on trachoma surveillance - Report published by WHO and available at: [http://apps.who.int/iris/bitstream/10665/174085/1/WHO\\_HTM\\_NTD\\_2015.02\\_en.pdf?ua=1](http://apps.who.int/iris/bitstream/10665/174085/1/WHO_HTM_NTD_2015.02_en.pdf?ua=1)