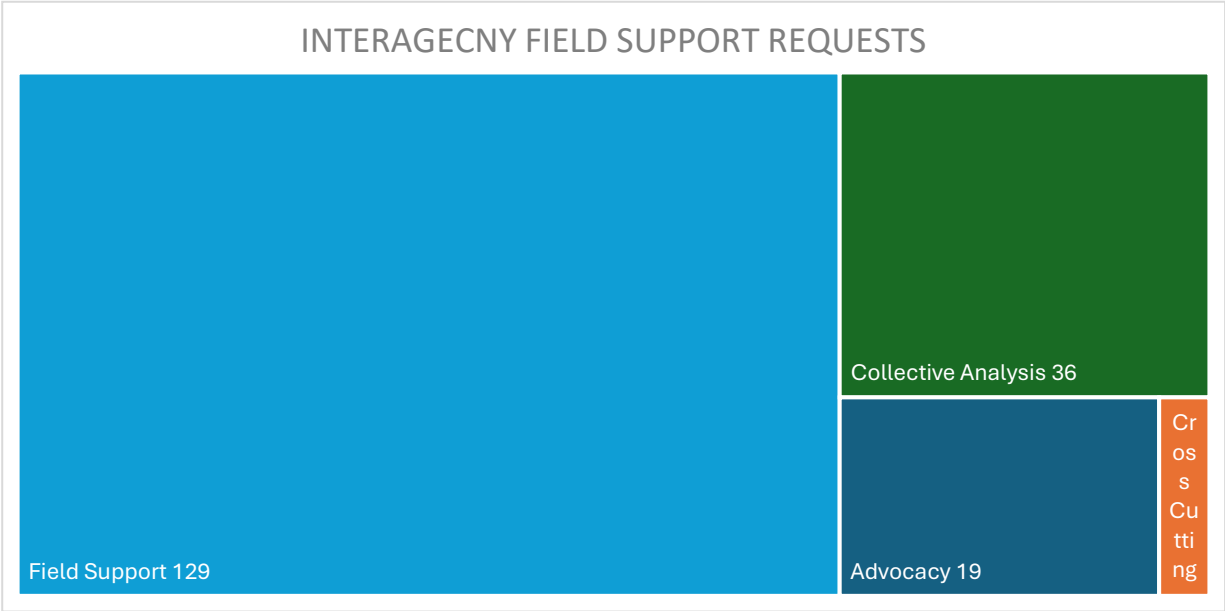


GPC Interagency Field Support Trends Snapshot May – August 2025

The following report contains information about the trends in support requests received by the GPC between 1 May and 31 August 2025. The GPC tracks requests from field protection clusters, and requests from global partners and actors wanting to engage more strongly with field operations. This report is for GPC SAG members, and other relevant partners, to reflect on the support requirements of field operations.

187 Field Support Requests between 1 May - 31 August 2025. 404 in total for 2025	23 Cluster operations and 1 non-cluster operation who received direct field support	13 Partners, (former) task teams and other experts involved in providing additional field support. ¹	21% 40 of requests link to Humanitarian Reset
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The GPC provides interagency field support through a system of regional focal points (Field Support Unit), who provide day-to-day country level support to cluster operations. Additionally, the GPC hosts dedicated capacity to support field advocacy, analysis and IM, as well as cross-cutting issues such as inclusion.² Interagency field support capacity is provided by UNHCR, NRC, Help-Age, SIDA and SDC. The GPC hosted additional IM capacity provided by IMMAP, but this was ended due to the foreign aid cuts.

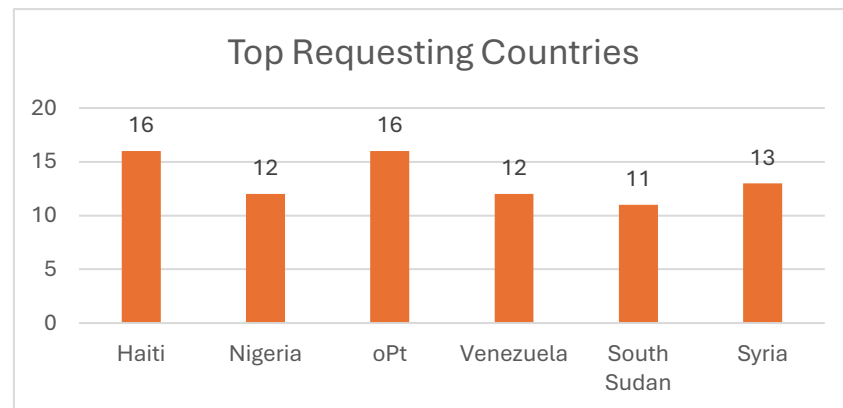
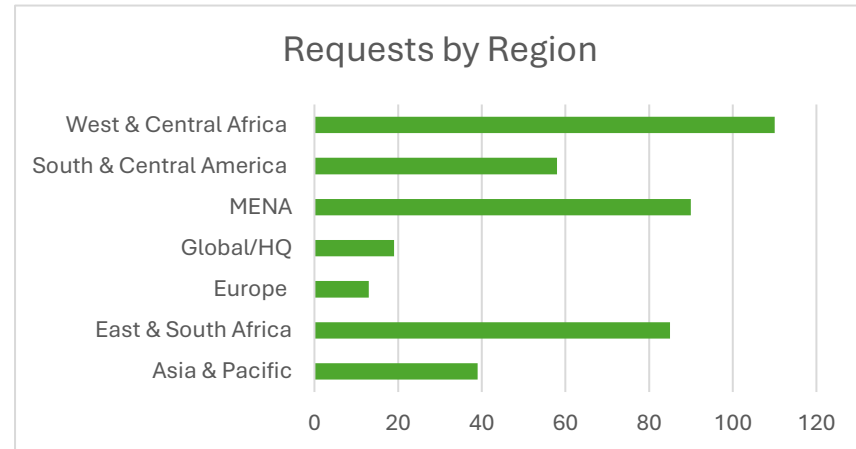
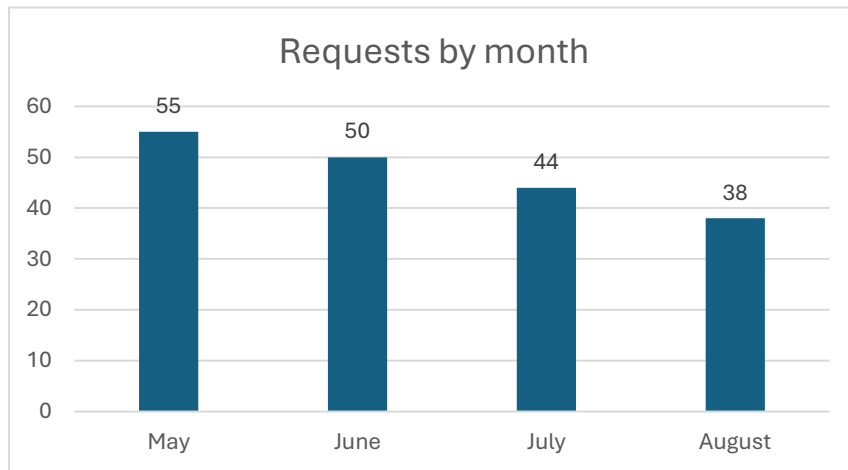
¹ GPC wishes to thank the following organisations for their direct support in addressing field cluster requests between 1 May to 31 August 2025 ACAPS, Care, CP AoR, CCHN, DRC, Interaction, IRC, INGO Forum Jordan, DRC, NRC, Procap, REACH, UNHCR, WCA Regional Protection Working Group. The GPC acknowledges the wide support for national protection clusters during discussions on HNRP and cluster prioritisation.

² At present, the GPC does not track IM support requests.



Requests at a glance April – August 2025

The GPC regularly updates the field support tracking, which can be found [here](#). The GPC continues to address the priorities for field support described in the [GPC Interagency Field Support Trends Overview 2024](#) and included in the GPC Workplan. The GPC maintains regular contact with all country operations.



Note: This overview does not capture the full scope of work of the GPC. It specifically tracks trends in requests related to field coordination. For further information on GPC activities and initiatives, you can read the [GPC Annual Report 2024](#) or request specific information on GPC led initiatives and GPC participation in other global processes and initiatives (including those led by GPC partners). ³

³ The field support tracker is regularly reviewed. Total requests may be adjusted from time to time to reflect



Snapshot of Field Support between 1 May – 31 August 2025

- Protection field operations, and cluster coordination teams, were heavily affected by the significant and sudden reduction of foreign aid in 2025. The GPC has supported field operations in navigating the 'Humanitarian Reset', including the implications of 2025 foreign aid funding cuts and in-country reprioritisation exercises. The GPC created a reference page for coordinators and partners [here](#).
- The GPC shared guidance notes to the country operations on [Prioritisation of Protection Response Activities](#), [Sudden Programme Closure](#), [Protection in Humanitarian Coordination Transitions](#)
- The humanitarian reset has had implications for the time spent of cluster coordinators. 40 (or 23%) of all requests related to the Reset. This included support in engagement on prioritisation (or risk of reprioritisation), implications of accelerated transition, cluster structure and understanding engagement with proposed area-based coordination.
- The GPC conducted three field mission to support the Ukraine, Ethiopia and Myanmar (Bangkok).
- The GPC conducted dedicated subnational training for Myanmar (in person) and Afghanistan (online) – with over 60 participants between the two operations, including representatives of AoRs, and the GPC supported the launch of a dedicated Ukrainian language Advocacy Toolkit.
- The GPC launched dedicated sessions for the Humanitarian Programme Cycle, holding 5 sessions in English, Spanish and French on the consolidated approach to protection in the upcoming HPC processes, and how to calculate PiNs and Targets. This was done jointly with the four Areas of Responsibility.
- The GPC held 6 peer-to-peer sessions sharing lessons from Ukraine, Palestine, Yemen and Northwest Syria and two thematics of accelerated transition and inclusion. The topics covered by country operations were assistance to former combatants, establishing and sustaining a frontline response network, engaging with food security actors to promote access to civil documentation and reflections on engaging local partners in protracted crisis.
- The Centrality of Protection Community of Practice has continued to roll out the Benchmarks for CoP. The GPC has continued to support these endeavours by attending all the sessions for global and in-country targets of other clusters including Shelter and FSL.
- The GPC age & inclusion specialist provided 4 support sessions to the Yemen operation.
- The GPC updated the field coordination toolkit for coordination teams – covering 12 thematic areas. A copy is available upon request.
- There has been a significant turnover of coordinators during the period May-August 2025. The GPC ensured appropriate debriefing and handover, capturing key reflections and learning, as well as ensuring appropriate onboarding and capacity support to new/double hatting coordinators.
- The GPC and Field Protection Clusters launched a [Protection Alert for Gaza](#), [Protection Alert for Chad](#), [Protection Alert for Mozambique](#).
- The GPC provided a range of technical support to Protection Clusters as they developed a consolidated analysis of the impact of funding cuts, their prioritisation and key messages linked to financial shortfalls, and its impact on crisis affected communities. For example, the GPC and Field Protection Clusters developed the joint note on the [Impact of Humanitarian Funding Cuts on Protection Programming in West and Central Africa](#) as well as supported the Myanmar Protection Cluster with funding and risk analysis.
- 8 Protection Clusters, along with the GPC, have published Protection Analysis Updates/Protection Snapshots/Flash Updates between May - August 2025: [Colombia](#), [Niger](#), [oPt \(Gaza\)](#), [Somalia](#), [South Sudan](#), [Syria](#), Mali, Nigeria [available upon request].
- The GPC notes a relative decrease in field support requests during this period. This is in part due to the implications of the reset on other cluster related work and changes in staff structures with up to 13 country operations moving from dedicated coordination capacity to 1 or both coordinators double hatting.

