



Country sheet

Haiti



HI's team and areas of intervention

There are 95 people on HI's team in Haiti

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General Country Data

a) General data

DATA	Haiti	Dominican Republic	France
Population	11.72	11.3	68.2
IDHI	0.335	0.627	0.82
SIGI score	46.4	14.8	10.1
Maternal mortality	350	107	8
GINI index	41,1	37	31.5
Population under HCR mandate	578.084	5.800	762.378
INFORM index	7.2	4.1	2.9
Fragile states index	103.5	60.2	28.3
Population covered by at least one means of social assistance (%)	5,8	54.2	100
Official Development Assistance received	890.7	367	0

b) Humanitarian law instruments ratified by the country

Humanitarian law instruments	Status
Mine Ban Treaty	Ratified in 2006
Convention on Cluster Munitions	Ratified in 2009
UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities	Ratified in 2009



c) Geopolitical analysis

Haiti has been embroiled in a political, economic, social and security crisis for several decades, but since 2018, the situation has worsened considerably. Violence reached unprecedented levels during the first half of 2024. Organised crime groups, or "gangs", took control of more and more territory, particularly in Port-au-Prince, the country's capital, where they now control 80% of the city. These gangs are guilty of murder, kidnapping, rape and mass killings.

In October 2023, the UN authorised the deployment of the Kenya-led Multinational Security Support Mission (MMAS), whose first contingents arrived in June 2024.

Following the assassination of President Jovenel Moïse in July 2021, Prime Minister Ariel Henry, who did not have a constitutional mandate, governed by decree until March 2024. After the announcement of the deployment of the MMAS, the G9 coalition of organised crime groups (OCGs) launched an offensive to capture the head of the Haitian national police force and made threats of genocide against the civilian population. This led to the temporary closure of Port-au-Prince Toussaint Louverture international airport and the resignation of Ariel Henry. Since then, a transitional Presidential Council has been formed to run the country. On 28 May 2024, the Council elected Gary Conille as Prime Minister.

By June 2024, this chaotic situation had triggered some 578,074 internal displacements to various spontaneous camps (in schools, public squares, etc.) that sprang up and disappeared according to the where the gangs were fighting for new territory.

Haiti is also very prone to natural hazards. In recent years, it has been hit by numerous hurricanes, floods and earthquakes, including the seism of 14 August 2021, which had catastrophic consequences for the population. Forecasts for the 2024 hurricane season were worse than usual due to the La Nina weather phenomenon.



Summary of HI's work in the country

Since 2008 (cyclone Anna), HI has regularly run interventions in Haiti in response to successive hurricanes and tropical storms. Actions have included the deployment of a logistics platform, assistance to people with disabilities, functional rehabilitation care, the construction of temporary shelters and the distribution of shelter repair kits, essential household items and emergency goods. Gradually, the programme developed new projects to address development issues in the areas of disability prevention (road safety, in 2015), protection against abuse and violence (child protection, in 2013) and inclusive risk and disaster management.

Over the last two years, HI has focused on 13 thematic areas:

- **Physical and functional rehabilitation services:** helping to develop the rehabilitation sector through training and skills transfer; promoting the global recognition of rehabilitation professionals (Ouest, Sud-Est and Nord departments); contributing to the qualitative improvement of rehabilitation services through workshops held with the rehabilitation providers supported during the project period, and with a specific focus on the rehabilitation management system ; ensuring rehabilitation care in response to emergencies both indirectly through training and support for several rehabilitation centres and health centres and directly by HI staff providing early treatment at MSF Belgium's Sant pou Blese clinic in the commune of Carrefour. This centre opened in March 2024 and HI's activity began in August 2024.
- **Health & Prevention / Mental Health and Psychosocial Support:** providing individual and community psychosocial follow-up through awareness-raising and psycho-education activities to help address the trauma caused by the earthquake of 14 August 2021.
- **Health & Prevention / Emerging infectious diseases:** mitigating the risks of propagation of infectious and diarrhoeal diseases in localities affected by the earthquake of 14 August 2021 through the organisation of awareness-raising sessions on good hygiene practices and the distribution of hygiene kits to households affected by the disaster; helping to contain the resurgence of the cholera epidemic through activities such as disinfecting homes, chlorinating water points, setting up hand-washing facilities, distributing hygiene kits, etc., and through mass awareness-raising campaigns.
- **Social & Inclusion / Economic services:** providing multidisciplinary support to people with disabilities and their families to improve their autonomy and increase their participation in society; making services more inclusive and accessible to people with disabilities (Ouest and Nord departments).
- **Protection, disaster risk reduction and climate change adaptation:** meeting the needs of crisis-affected populations and developing their resilience, with a particular focus on people with disabilities (Nord-Ouest department); supporting the inclusive aspect of a DRR project run by a consortium of NGOs in Port-au-Prince and metropolitan areas. An Anticipatory Action project is currently being implemented in the south of the country to prepare populations



exposed to the risk of disasters and to deploy disaster anticipation support to help them strengthen their resilience.

- **Health & Prevention / Safe and Inclusive Mobility:** disability prevention through awareness raising, training and information to reduce the number of road accidents in Haiti (Ouest department).
- **Social & Inclusion / Inclusive Governance: providing support to organisations of people with disabilities and women's organisations** to achieve recognition by society of their rights and aptitudes through the improvement of the capacities and skills of their representative organisations (Nord department).
- **Logistics platforms / Shared transport and storage:** setting up of a shared logistics service providing multimodal transport and storage to support the humanitarian community and prevent interruptions in humanitarian access.
- **Humanitarian logistics / Light civil engineering:** clearing roads and rehabilitating pontoons to restore access to ports after the damage caused by the earthquake of 14 August 2021.
- **Humanitarian logistics / Local capacity building:** setting up training courses for humanitarian logistics professionals, transport professionals (warehouse workers, transporters, drivers, etc.) and humanitarian aid workers (first aid training, stock management, etc.).
- **Humanitarian logistics / Data collection:** the Signal project aims to identify the level of logistics vulnerability and the recovery capacity of communities in fragile contexts in order to encourage humanitarian aid strategies to take into account the populations located in areas with the greatest logistical constraints and thus strengthen their recovery and resilience.
- **Health & Prevention / Food aid: Limiting the impact of Covid-19 on the quality of life of the most vulnerable populations, including people with disabilities:** food security project in Port-au-Prince and the metropolitan area; hygiene project and response to basic needs in the Sud-Est and Nord-Est departments; support project for Covid-19 care facilities for respiratory therapy and psychosocial support in the facilities and the communities.
- **Protection and Risk Reduction / Inclusive Humanitarian Action:** after the earthquake of 14 August 2021, support for information gathering & sharing activities with humanitarian actors to improve the inclusion of people with disabilities in the response; awareness raising and technical support to humanitarian actors and coordination mechanisms.



Overview of current projects

Sectors in which HI is running projects, with a focus on beneficiaries and operating partners

Project title and main sectors of intervention	Main activities:	Beneficiaries	Partners	Location	Project start and end date	Donors funding the project
<p>Rehabilitation project</p> <p>Physical and functional rehabilitation</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ongoing training for rehabilitation professionals • Strengthening the quality of service provision • Financial support to five rehabilitation services • Support to the Ministry of Public Health and the Population to develop a national rehabilitation strategy • Advocacy in collaboration with other actors to obtain recognition of the rehabilitation sector • Mapping of the country’s existing rehabilitation services and setting up of a referral system for people in need of rehabilitation care. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8,500 people in need of rehabilitation services. • 45 rehabilitation professionals • 100 health professionals (doctors and nurses) • 3 organisations of people with disabilities • 3 associations of health professionals 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ministry of Public Health • State Secretary’s Office for the Integration of People with Disabilities • 3 hospitals (Hôpital de la Convention Baptiste d’Haïti, Hôpital de l’Université d’État d’Haïti, Hôpital Saint Michel de Jacmel) • 2 rehabilitation centres • Haitian Physical Therapy Society • Haitian Association of Rehabilitation Technicians • Haitian Association of Occupational Therapists • Douleurs Sans Frontières 	<p>Port-au-Prince (Ouest) Jacmel (Sud-Est) Cap Haïtien (Nord) Ounaminthe (Nord-Est) Les Cayes (Sud)</p>	<p>01.01.2022 - 31.12.2026 (AC DCD)</p> <p>01.01.2023 - 31.12.2027 (AC6 Min of Foreign Affairs Lux)</p>	<p>Directorate-General for Development Cooperation and Humanitarian Aid (DGD H)</p> <p>Luxembourg Ministry of Foreign Affairs</p>



<p>GIRD (Integrated Disaster Risk Management) : Towards increasing the impact of anticipatory action approaches (I2A)</p> <p>Disaster risk reduction and climate change adaptation Logistics Expertise – consultancy</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Setting up of a technical working group on anticipatory actions • Analysis of weather prediction sources • Calculation of logistical vulnerability index • Localised assessments of the logistical environment • Vulnerability and capacity assessments and simulation exercises • Development of action protocols • Training stakeholders in anticipatory actions and inclusion 	<p>101 927 people</p>		<p>Sud department</p>	<p>01.01.2022 – 31.12.2024</p>	<p>German Humanitarian assistance</p>
<p>MERLUH project - Mer Logistique Urgence Haiti</p> <p>Improving supply chain mgt & access of humanitarian and market actors</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pick-up and storage service in Port-au-Prince for goods transported by humanitarian and institutional organisations • Participation in and contribution to humanitarian coordination to minimise the risk of supply shortages. • Improving the agility of logistics services in the Grand Nord in terms of storage and transport • Carrying out technical inspections of maritime transport operators • Training maritime transport operators in engine maintenance, servicing, repair and safety at sea • Equipping maritime transport operators according to identified needs • Assessment of the maritime sector's 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Humanitarian organisations and institutional actors having signed logistics transport protocols • Professionals having taken part in the training • Humanitarian organisations • Coast guards • Service Maritime et de Navigation d'Haïti • National port authorities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aquadev • Service Maritime et de Navigation d'Haïti • Bizoton coast guards • Maritime transport operators 	<p>Country-wide</p>	<p>24.01.2024 – 31.07.2024 Contrat BHA</p> <p>01.08.2024 – 31.12.2024 CDCS</p>	<p>Bureau for Humanitarian Assistance (BHA)/USAID</p> <p>Crisis and Support Centre (CDCS)</p>



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> operational equipment requirements • Improvements to the infrastructure of maritime sector institutions • Capacity building for local transport, storage and handling operators operating in an insecure context • Capacity building of humanitarian actors in supply chain management 					
<p>Socio-economic inclusion project</p> <p>Economic inclusion</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identification & assessment of needs, implementation of personalised support, market analysis, definition of distribution modalities, support for the development of economic activities. • Supporting businesses to improve their level of inclusiveness by making reasonable adjustments, building the capacity of associations, market research and an action plan for microfinance institutes. • Technical support for organisations of people with disabilities in implementing their advocacy plan and strengthening the coordination and multi-stakeholder dialogue mechanism 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 300 people with disabilities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State Secretary’s Office for the Integration of People with Disabilities • Fondasyon Kole Zepòl • National Network of Associations for the Integration of People with Disabilities • Haitian Rehabilitation Foundation Fondation Tous Ensemble • National Collective of Associations Supporting Vulnerable People. 	Port-au-Prince (Ouest), Cap Haïtien (Nord)	01.01.2023-31.12.2027	Luxembourg Ministry of Foreign Affairs
<p>Multisector cholera response project</p> <p>Water, hygiene and sanitation, Physical and functional</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strengthening coordination between state and non-state actors at local and departmental level in support of the Ministry of Public Health and Population and the National Directorate for Drinking Water and Sanitation. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 176 000 beneficiaries • Support to Ouest, Nord and Nord-EST Health Directorates 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fondation Haïtienne de Réhabilitation • National Network of Associations for the Integration of People with Disabilities 	Ouest, Sud, Sud-Est, Nord, Nord-Est departments	24.01.2024 – 31.07.2024 (for the WASH component) 24.01.2024-23.01.2025	Bureau for Humanitarian Assistance (BHA)/USAID



<p>rehabilitation, Inclusion</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support for the institutional and community surveillance, investigation and alert system • Promoting stimulation therapy for malnourished children as part of an approach that sees child malnutrition as a factor heightening exposure to disease, • Improving community engagement in the fight against cholera in areas where there are outbreaks of cholera and other diarrhoeal diseases • Improving access to the quality and quantity of food available for vulnerable people, including people with reduced mobility • Improving the protective environment by ensuring an inclusive humanitarian response. 				<p>(for the food aid and IHA-Protection sectors)</p> <p>01.08.2024 – 31.12.2024 (WASH component)</p>	<p>UNICEF</p>
<p>Post Trauma Emergency Rehabilitation (URPOST) project</p> <p>Physical and functional rehabilitation</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Training for project teams on the fundamentals of rehabilitation and its tools, the Age, Gender, Disability approach, humanitarian principles and the prevention of sexual exploitation and abuse. • Setup of the rehabilitation service • Supply of technical aids and small equipment • Treatment of patients in the trauma department of MSF Belgium's clinic in Carrefour • Referral of patients to the support fund (Fonds d'Appui) for coverage of their transport costs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8 rehabilitation professionals trained by HI deployable in an emergency • 2,190 people benefiting from physical and functional rehabilitation services in HI's rehabilitation service at the MSF Belgium's clinic 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In a consortium with ALIMA • The project is run out of MSF Belgium's clinic in the commune of Carrefour in the Port au Prince metropolitan area. • Partner clinics with rehabilitation services in the commune of Carrefour 	<p>Ouest department, Port au Prince Metropolitan Area</p>	<p>01.05.2024 to 30.04.2025</p>	<p>DG ECHO</p>



	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Post-discharge follow-up• Referral of patients to Socio-Economic Integration programmes• Update of the mapping of rehabilitation centres and services and partner establishments for outpatient care• Development and implementation of a quality approach and training of professionals from partner centres in the fundamentals of rehabilitation and rehabilitation tools• Organisational capacity-building workshops• Provision of technical mobility aids and rehabilitation and operating equipment to rehabilitation centres.					
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Donors

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