



General Country Data

a. General Data

	Haiti
Total population (millions)	10.8 million
Total population within UNHCR mandate	97
IDHI	0,30
Gender development index	N/A*1
Maternal mortality per 100,000 births	359
GINI Index	60.79
Social support	0.59
INFORM RISK	6.3
Fragile State index	105.3
Development aid funding (millions)	1.074\$

Humanitarian law instruments ratified by the country

→	Mine Ban Treaty	ratified in 2006
→	Convention on Cluster Munitions	ratified in 2009
→	Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities	ratified in 2009

b. Geopolitical analysis

Haiti remains the poorest country in the western hemisphere and is regularly affected by natural disasters. The population's resilience is extremely low. In 2017, 2.7 million people needed humanitarian aid, 600,000 more than in 2016. The catastrophic earthquake that devastated the nation in 2010 left hundreds of thousands of Haitians dead or injured and forced 1.3 million people to flee their homes. A cholera epidemic emerged in October 2010 and claimed the lives of thousands of Haitians, with more than 21,000 suspected cases reported in 2016 and 200 deaths.

In addition, efforts to restore stability within the country have been thwarted by further disasters: on 4 October 2016, Hurricane Matthew - category 4 - hit Haiti and caused damage, floods and displacement. Losses were estimated at US\$2.8 billion, representing around 32 percent of GDP. There has also been a significant economic impact on the

 $^{^{1}}$ * = data unavailable, or impossible to measure these indicators

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livelihoods of the most disadvantaged, exposing them to the risk of food insecurity, exacerbated by the loss of farmable land and the destruction of harvests. Damage to road infrastructure has limited people's access to markets, basic services and humanitarian aid. The cyclone also caused considerable habitat losses plunging the affected population into severe physical insecurity and worsening their living conditions.

During 2017, 40,212 Haitians were affected by forced repatriation to the Haitian-Dominican border. The poorest arrive in unofficial camps with little or no access to basic services. According to the ACAPS data in January 2018, 37,667 people are still displaced following the 2010 earthquake. The majority of displaced people recorded in the 26 camps in the Ouest department are located in the municipalities which make up the Port-au-Prince metropolitan region (50% in Delmas, 20% in Croix des Bouquets and the remainder in Tabarre, Pétion-Ville, Port-au-Prince, Carrefour and Cité Soleil), with others located in Léogane and Gressier. Out of the 37,000 people internally displaced after the 2010 earthquake, 17,000 are still living in camps in zones at risk of flooding and landslides.²

Sexual violence is also a widespread problem in Haiti. The country does not have any specific legislation on domestic violence, sexual harassment, rape or any other form of violence targeting women. The political crisis has hindered progress towards improved legislation to protect women. The widespread use of children for domestic labour continues. This mostly affects girls.

Presence of HI in the country

HI started working in Haiti in 2012. Its emergency response actions: response to the needs of the victims of the 2010 earthquake, programmes in the sectors of rehabilitation services, economic resilience, accessibility, preparedness and risk reduction and the logistics platform.

HI has gradually developed new projects aimed at addressing development issues linked to disability prevention (road safety in 2015) and protection against abuse and violence (child protection in 2013). The 2012-2016 period was marked by the rapid expansion of the programme combined with an increase in the volume of activities and human resources; it had to adjust to a response context characterised by the relative instability and fragility of the country's institutions.

Over the years, HI has managed to develop recognised expertise in the rehabilitation sector in Haiti and in the field of risk disaster management and emergency response. Indeed, the organisation has worked to implement two rehabilitation units and support the

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² https://www.acaps.org/country/haiti/crisis-analysis



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reinforcement of two further units. Regarding the field of disaster risk management, HI is recognised as a key technical expert by the Civilian Protection Division and NGOs in the sector. Socio-economic inclusion and road safety projects are emerging, but promising, sectors in which Handicap International is progressively demonstrating its added-value, notably by supporting the implementation of inclusive services within a micro finance institution and a professional training centre, and capacity building for a Civil Society Organisation (SKL), supporting 220 people with disabilities in implementing their economic projects. HI is acknowledged as one of the major actors in the road safety sector.

Project donors Chaîne du bonheur Medicor **DGD** Chaine du Bonheur medicorfoundation Glückskette I LA COOPÉRATION BELGE AU DÉVELOPPEMENT Catena della Solidarietà I Swiss Solidarity **Luxembourg Ministry of** Rhône-Alpes Auvergne **HELPAGE Foreign Affairs** Region GRAND-DUCHÉ DE LUXEMBOURG **HelpAge** Ministère des Affaires étrangères La Région **International** Direction de la coopération au développement Auvergne-Rhône-Alpes **BMZ SHELTER BOX** german humanitarian assistance NITÄRE HILFE



HI Team in Haiti

HI Haiti is composed of 48 employees.

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Presentation of ongoing projects

Service sectors	Objectives	Type of intervention	Beneficiaries in 2017	Beneficiaries in 2020	Partners	Location
Rehabilitation	Improve the population's access to quality rehabilitation services that meet their needs.	Training for rehabilitation professionals Improve quality of service offer Support to MSPP	45 rehabilitation professionals - 3 DPOs ³ and 3 health professional organisations, 2,000 people with rehabilitation care needs	8,500 who need rehabilitation services - 45 rehabilitation professionals 100 health professionals (doctors and nurses) - 3 DPOs and 3 health professional organisations.	Ministry of Public Health - 4 Departmental Hospitals - Haitian Association of Ortho- prosthesists - Haitian Society of Physiotherapy - Haitian Rehabilitation Technicians Association	Port-au-Prince, Jacmel, Cap Haïtien, Gonaïves,
DRR/DRM	Help strengthen the resilience of institutions and communities at high disaster risk.	Training of actors from the National DRM System. Support to develop agricultural economic activities. Building capacities of BSEIPH and DPOs	15 people from BSEIPH ⁴ 10 from the DRM departmental committee – 40 members of COUC ⁵ – 60 members of COUL ⁶ . – 12 members of ADEMA	15 people from BSEIPH, 10 people from the DRM departmental committee – 40 members of COUC – 60 members of EIC ⁷ – 400 members of small-scale producer organisations - 4 CSOs and/or DPOs – 12 members of partner organisations.	Civil Protection Department ADEMA BSEIPH	North-West Department

³ Disabled people's organisations

⁴ Bureau du Secrétaire d'État à l'Intégration des Personnes Handicapées (Office of the Secretary of State for the Inclusion of People with Disabilities)

⁵ COUC: Centre Opérationnel d'Urgence Communal (District Emergency Operations Centre)

⁶ COUL: Centre Opérationnel d'Urgence Communal (Local Emergency Operations Centre)

⁷ EIC: Equipe d'intervention Communautaire (Community response team)

Economic inclusion	Improve the professional and social inclusion of people with disabilities in Haiti	Support the development of inclusive services (IMF and CPFP ⁸) - Strengthen the BSEIPH - Employer awareness-raising	15 people from BSEIPH – 3 DPOs, 1 micro- finance institution	15 people from BSEIPH, 100 staff members/5 public/private sector businesses, 120 people from 12 vocational training centres, Financial institutions, Disabled people's organisations	organisation FAIPH (PwD Associations Federation) Microfinance Institute Palmis and FONKOZE - INFP and BSEIPH	Port-au-Prince and Cap Haïtien,
Road safety	Strengthen the capacities of the various actors involved in the implementation of road safety actions	Awareness-raising and training of road users Research/Studies Support to coordinate actors	1,000 road users - 500 drivers - 1 CSO – 10 people from DELR ⁹	7,500 road users, including 4,000 drivers 3 ministries (20 ministerial staff members), 20 people from DELR, universities - 3 civil society organisations	Ministry for Public Transport Traffic and Road Transport Police Department Epidemiology and Research Laboratories Department National Ambulance Centre Owners/Drivers Organisation	AMP (Delmas District) Port-au-Prince

⁸ Centre Polyvalent de Formation Professionnel (Multipurpose professional training centre)

⁹ DELR: Direction d'Epidémiologie et des Laboratoires de Recherche (Epidemiology and Research Laboratories Department)