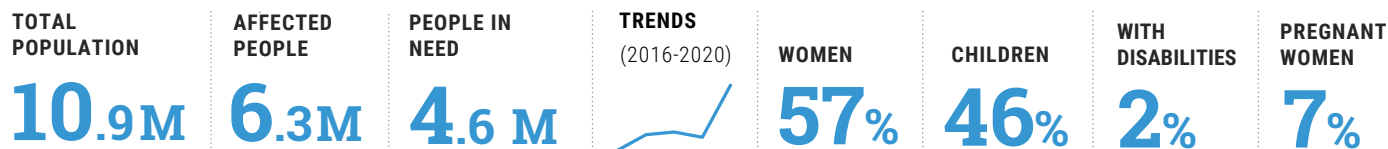


HUMANITARIAN NEEDS OVERVIEW

HUMANITARIAN PROGRAMME CYCLE
2019-2020
FEBRUARY 2020

HAITI SUMMARY

Revision for 2020



The 2020 Haiti Humanitarian Needs Overview (HNO) analysis found that 4.6 million Haitians will require urgent support in 2020, more than 40 per cent of the population. This represents and 80 per cent increase from last year.

The highest needs stem from the food insecurity crisis; the 4.1 million people in acute need of food assistance (IPC 3 and 4) makes up the bulk of the total number of people in need.

The economic crisis and insecurity have also made access to healthcare and education increasingly difficult, in a context where access to basic services had already been dire due to the structural weakness of state institutions and drastic reductions in investment in the public sector.

The nutritional status of Haitian children deteriorated during 2019. The analysis confirmed poor access to safe drinking water, sanitation and basic hygiene products, as well as the

lack of access to water increasing the risks of waterborne diseases and malnutrition.

The increase in vulnerability, together with insufficient or lacking protection services, has further exacerbated the pre-existing protection risks, including of gang recruitment, physical abuse, trafficking and/or sexual exploitation for children and adolescents. An uptick in gender-based violence and rape incidents was observed last year while prevention and response systems and services were repeatedly interrupted.

The crisis has led Haitians to leave the country, including through irregular ways, which exposes them to additional protection risks such as human trafficking. The situation on the Haitian-Dominican border, where an average of 9,000 to 10,000 deportees and voluntary returnees have been registered per month since 2015, is also disconcerting, as most of the migrants arrive without resources or documentation, some of

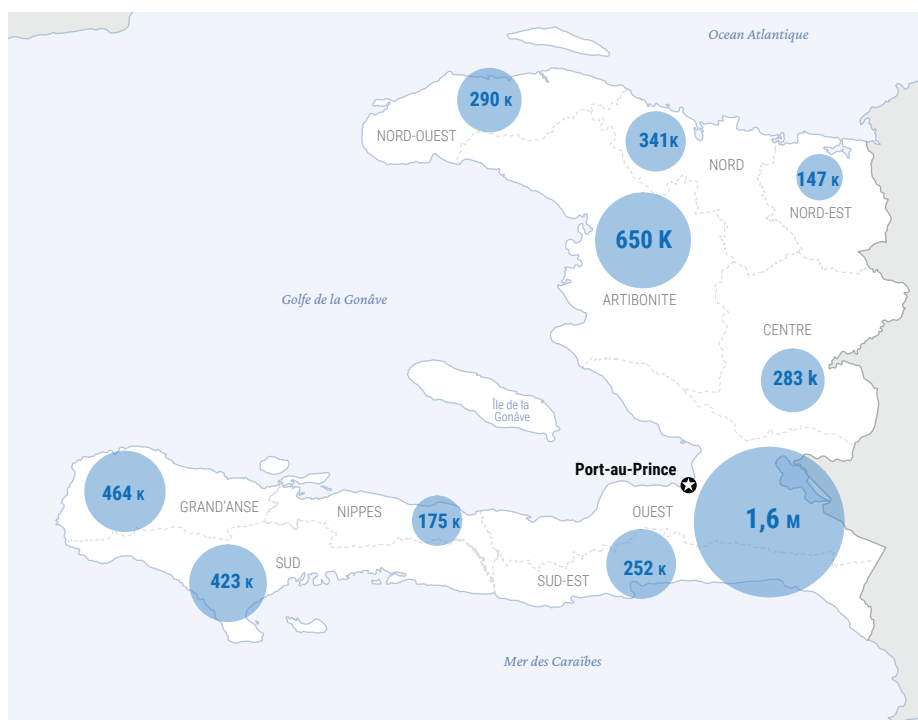
them sick or injured and highly vulnerable to abuse and exploitation.

Haiti is the most vulnerable in the Latin America and Caribbean region and the 14th most vulnerable in the world¹. Although there was no major sudden-onset emergency in Haiti in 2019, residual humanitarian needs – particularly shelter - persisted following natural disasters from previous years. Emergency preparedness and response capacity of humanitarian actors and national authorities at all levels, as well as the resilience of the most vulnerable communities, require significant strengthening.

To read the HNO in full, visit: humanitarianresponse.info/Haiti



PEOPLE IN NEED



¹ INFORM Index 2019

Summary of humanitarian consequences

Critical issues related to physical and mental wellbeing

PEOPLE IN NEED

4.1M

WOMEN

29%

CHILDREN

43%

CHILDREN UNDER FIVE YEARS OLD

2%

CRITICAL ISSUE	IN NEED		MOST VULNERABLE GROUPS	ASSOCIATES FACTORS
Acutely food insecure people	4.1 M		People in IPC phase 4	Natural disasters
Infectious and chronic diseases (diphtheria et malaria)	71.5 k		Children	Natural disasters, Economic crisis
Deficient water and sanitation services leading to acute diarrhoea and typhoid cases	456 k		Women, children	Socio-political and economic crisis
Acute malnutrition	65 k		Children	Natural disasters

Critical issues related to standard of living

PEOPLE IN NEED

1.6M

WOMEN

35%

CHILDREN

51%

PREGNANT WOMEN

13%

Infectious and chronic diseases (diphtheria et malaria)	2.2 M		Children and pregnant women	Socio-political and economic crisis
Displaced by the 2018 earthquake unable to meet their basic needs	185 k		Women, children	Natural disasters
Children from vulnerable families prone to sexual exploitation are at risk of dropping out of school and being subject to sexual and political exploitation	73 k		Children	Socio-political and economic crisis

Critical issues due to resilience and recovery

PEOPLE IN NEED

784k

WOMEN

29%

CHILDREN

52%

WITH A DISABILITY

4%

CHEF DE FAMILLE MONOPARENTAL

5%

Increased likelihood of exposure to pathologies of all kinds and of dropping out of school due to confinement	370 k		Children	Socio-political and economic crisis
Cholera outbreak	145 k		Children and pregnant women	Socio-political and economic crisis
Difficulty of access to drinking water and hygiene products	385 k		Women, children	Socio-political and economic crisis

Critical protection issues

PEOPLE IN NEED

912k

WOMEN

53%

CHILDREN

41%

WITH A DISABILITY

5%

Children at high risk of physical abuse and sexual exploitation	426 k		Children	Socio-political and economic crisis, separation of children from their families
Survivors hardest hit by abuse, violence, exploitation and exclusion	816 k		Women	Socio-political and economic crisis
Number of returnees in Haïti	108 k		Children and pregnant women	National plan for the regularization of foreigners