

HAITI RESPONSE OVERVIEW

SITUATION REPORT AUGUST 2023



194,624 internally displaced persons (IDPs)

93% of displacement is due to gang violence



9,075 repatriated migrants arrived in Haiti in August 2023



Funding received for 2023¹



REQUESTED: \$ 79.5 m

RECEIVED: \$ 23.2 m



Launch of a project to improve drinking water supply in Cap Haïtien © IOM 2023

HIGHLIGHTS

On 16 August 2023, Haiti's National Directorate of Water and Sanitation (DINEPA) with the support of IOM launched a project to supply drinking water to approximately 400 families in Balan (Cap Haïtien), an area of significant return of migrants.

During August 2023, IOM supported the Directorate General for Civil Protection (DGPC) with the launch of a strategy on assistance to IDPs in the Port-au-Prince Metropolitan Area (MAPAP). The strategy provides a multisector approach to protect and support IDPs, as well as host families and host communities.

SITUATION OVERVIEW

Gang violence continues to cause displacement in the MAPAP. During August 2023, successive attacks on Carrefour-Feuilles and Savanes Pistaches neighborhoods led to the displacement of several thousand people (see Emergency Tracking Tool Report) and the creation of five new displacement sites.

Considering the continuous crisis and humanitarian needs, the IOM Director General has extended the L3 declaration for the Haiti Emergency until October 14th in line with the UN systemwide scale-up.

During the week of 21 August, a delegation from Kenya visited Haiti to explore possibilities to support the Haitian police (HNP). On 29 July, Kenya had announced its availability to deploy a force of 1,000 police officers to support the HNP in its operations against the gangs. The Bahamas had also announced to deploy 150 police officers. Additional Caribbean countries (Jamaica, Antigua) might contribute as well.

Repatriations to Haiti remain at a high level. Since January 2023, 103,706 persons have been repatriated to Haiti, the vast majority (94%) by the Dominican Republic.

1 – Funding received for 2023 across all objectives of IOM Haiti's crisis response plan (GCRP)

IOM RESPONSE

Camp Coordination and Camp Management (CCCM)

During August 2023, IOM conducted 22 monitoring visits to 6 displacement sites hosting a total number of 4,522 IDPs and supported the creation of camp committees in the Lycée Jean Marie Vincent IDP site in Caradeux, to which IDPs who had camped in front of the US Embassy, were relocated to.

IOM also contributed to weekly IDP emergency meetings convened by the DGPC and supported the DGPC with the launch of a strategy to address displacement in the MAPAP. The strategy identifies priority actions to improve living conditions and protection of IDPs, to support host families and communities and to support durable solutions depending on the evolution of the security context.

IOM identified 4 Implementing Partners who will take over CCCM and WASH activities for some of the displacement sites which are hardly accessible for IOM staff for security reasons.

Protection

During August 2023, IOM organized sensitization activities in all accessible IDP sites in the MAPAP, covering stress management, the role of parents in the protection and development of their children, sexually transmitted diseases, assistance available to survivors of Gender-Based Violence (GBV) and the promotion of the IOM hotline as complaints and feedback mechanism.

Protection staff is currently deployed to two accessible IDP sites in the MAPAP to provide medical and MHPSS assistance, child protection services, and to assess the vulnerability of cases recommended for rental subsidies. During August 2023, I3 psychological counselling sessions were conducted and psychological first aid was provided to 26 survivors of GBV who were referred to IOM by Médecins sans Frontières (MSF), as well as

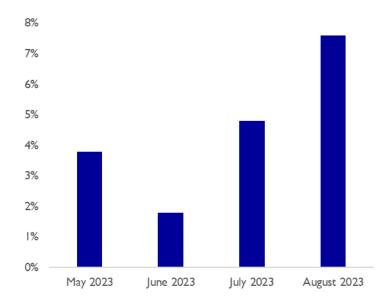


Figure 1: Share of returning migrants provided with protection assistance since May 2023

to four female IDPs living on the streets.

During August 2023, IOM also provided assistance to 596 migrants who were repatriated to Haiti, including with NFIs, food, cash, family reunification for unaccompanied or separated children, and psychological support. IOM recorded the repatriation of a total of 9,075 migrants to Haiti throughout August 2023. The majority of migrants repatriated through the border point in Ouanaminthe (4,641),Nord-Est the in department.

In terms of coordination, IOM contributed to the intercluster Protection strategy for Haiti and organized a Protection training with the members of the "Protection of Migrants" working group, including presentations from the Protection Standby Capacity Project (ProCap) and from the Data management unit on data protection.

To support the mental well-being of IOM Haiti staff, given the challenging work environment, a training was organized on stress management, traumatic stress syndrome and post-traumatic stress disorder.



Health

During August 2023, IOM ran six mobile clinics covering three IDP sites in the MAPAP, which provided 260 medical consultations and distributed 22 scabies kits.

A call for proposals was published to recruit an IP to provide medical assistance and mobile clinics in IDP sites in Port-au-Prince.

IOM participated in a meeting with the Health Cluster Coordinator to discuss how to better assist survivors of GBV cases.

Shelter and Non-Food Items (S-NFI)

During August 2023, IOM distributed NFIs through it's partners (ICDH, FADRIS, SOLIDARITE, and MSF Belgique) in 15 displacement sites, reaching a total of 1,720 households. The items distributed included 170 baby kits, 3,447 blankets, 231 fixing kits, 231 hygiene kits, 582 jerry cans, 1,179 kitchen sets and 261 plastic sheets.

During August 2023, 34 households were assisted with rental subsidies, including particularly vulnerable cases referred by the Protection team.

In the same reporting period, Berra and Arnault sites in the South of the country were dismantled by IDPs. 319 IDPs were able to return home after receiving cash assistance from IOM.

In the context of rental assistance, IOM also conducted awareness raising on the Prevention of Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (SEA) among IDPs.

As part of IOM's efforts to support resilient housing, four houses were constructed in Les

Cayes municipality using improved local construction techniques (TCLA). During August 2023, 36 local experts, who contributed to the constructions, completed their training on TCLA.

Figure 2. Assistance provided to IDPs by IOM in August 2023

34	Households assisted with rental subsidy
6,431	NFIs channeled through the IOM common pipeline (incl. tarpaulins, fixing kits and blankets)
260	Cases of medical care (consultations, follow-up and medical referral)
27	People supported with mental health and psychosocial support activities

In terms of preparedness, a training session for two teams of 10 "promoters" of Risk and Disaster Management (GRD) were delivered. participants have been trained community awareness-raising techniques, basic first aid and received an introduction to GRD and prevention of SEA. The promoters will carry out several rounds of awareness raising on preparedness starting from September in several localities in the South department à bateau). (Aux coteaux and Roche Grand'Anse department (Les Irois Anse'd'Hainault) and in the North West department (Port-de-Paix).

During August 2023, rehabilitations of two evacuation shelters in Aquin and Les Cayes municipalities were completed to provide shelter to the local population in the event of an emergency.

Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH)

During August 2023, IOM conducted WASH assessments in various displacement sites, including in the Delmas 19, Delmas 65 and Cassagnole 19 neighborhoods of the MAPAP. An assessment was also done for the rehabilitation of the water pumping station in the Turgeau communal section to prepare the installation of a solar powered water system.

Water trucking was provided for the Lycée Vincent site, given the lack of alternative water supply for the IDPs in this site.

IOM also carried out the desludging of a latrine pit in Delmas 3 and conducted focus group discussions to better understand the needs of IDPs with regards to WASH.

During August 2023, 500 WASH kits from the IOM common pipeline have been distributed by MSF Hollande.

Following the displacement of population due

Displacement Tracking Matrix (DTM)

to gang violence in Carrefour Feuilles and Pistaches, Savanes IOM activated Emergency Tracking Tool (ETT). IOM DTM recorded the displacement of 4,972 individuals after attacks on 12 August and the displacement of 5,478 individuals due to attacks on 24 August. IOM published three ETT reports as the situation evolved.

Flow monitoring was carried out by one of IOM's partners, Groupe d'Appui aux Rapatriés et Réfugiés (GARR), along the border between Haiti and the Dominican Republic. IOM conducted monitoring missions to the 30 Flow Monitoring Points (FMPs) operated by GARR on the border with the Dominican

Republic to ensure data quality and provide capacity building support and coaching of GARR's data collection teams.

In order to get in-depth information on migrants' profiles, needs, vulnerabilities and migration experience, individual surveys were conducted with 2,172 migrants. IOM also monitored the number of repatriations at the border. The data is available on an interactive dashboard.

Two webinars were conducted on 16 August 2023 by the DGPC and IOM which allowed to strengthen partners' understanding on the displacement situation in Haiti, displaced populations and host communities' profiles and needs, discussed strategic and recommendations for humanitarian transition responses. In total, 91 partners (located in and outside of Haiti) attended the webinars. IOM also published a set of maps to illustrate the displacement situation in the MAPAP based on the assessment conducted in June 2023.

In addition, IOM presented on the displacement situation in Haiti at the humanitarian forum in Haiti on 18 August 2023 and provided training on data protection for members of the sub-cluster migrants' protection on 25 August 2023.

Transition and Reintegration

On 16 August 2023, Haiti's National of Water and Sanitation Directorate (DINEPA) with the support of IOM launched a project in Balan (Cap Haïtien) an area of significant return of migrants, to supply drinking water to approximately 400 families. The main purpose of the project is to reinforce the dialogue between the community and the government.

Several technical assessments were carried out to prepare the implementation of community projects, including the rehabilitation of schools in Delmas and Portau-Prince municipalities, road infrastructure in Cap Haïtien, as well as an assessment to improve waste management in Cap Haïtien.

IOM organized several consultations with communities, which were attended by the CASEC (Board of Communal Section), ASEC (Assembly of the Communal Section), members of civil society and grassroots

organizations with the objective to strengthen dialogue between state institutions and communities.

IOM also organized consultations with the private sector and the Ministry of Public Works, Transport and Communications (MTPTC) to discuss piloting the use of recycled materials as construction materials.

The Transition and Reintegration unit initiated the creation of a working group together with the UN Environment Program (UNEP) and Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) to exchange about green reintegration in the Haiti context. This collaboration will result in the creation of a working group.

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