

OVERVIEW

In August 2022, the International Organization for Migration (IOM) in Haiti provided reception and post-arrival assistance to 721 adult and child migrants repatriated to Haiti by both air and sea to Port-au-Prince and Cap-Haïtien. This amounts to 20,737 repatriations in 2022, and is in addition to nearly 20,000 migrants returned and assisted in 2021. Similarly to 2021, but in contrast to preceding months, the largest group of returned migrants in August 2022 were returned by flight from the United States, while smaller but nevertheless substantial proportions were returned by other countries and territories in the region. A small number of migrants were returned after being intercepted at sea by the United States Coast Guard.

Most returned migrants assisted by IOM were previously residing in Chile or Brazil - where several child returnees were born - and were returned by the United States after journeying northward. Smaller proportions of returnees migrated more recently, particularly through sea routes in the Caribbean. Those departing Haiti more recently report leaving due to a combination of factors, including lack of income and job opportunities, insufficient access to basic services, the impact of natural disasters (including the earthquake of 14 August 2021, which strongly impacted Haiti's southern departments), violence and insecurity, political instability and more.

KEY STATISTICS

| | August 2022 | Since January 2022 |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|--------------------|
| Total # of migrants returned | 721 | 20,737 |
| Total # returned by air | 491 | 18,273 |
| Total # returned by sea | 230 | 2,464 |

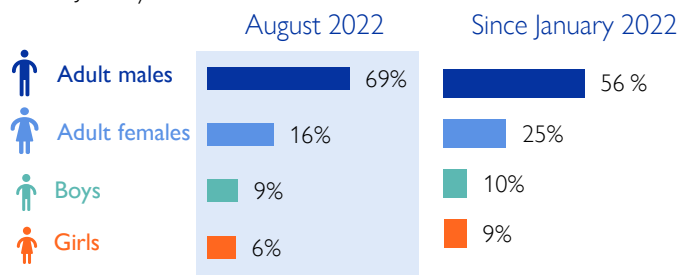


IOM staff conduct registration of migrants repatriated from the United States at the Toussaint Louverture International Airport in the capital Port-au-Prince (© IOM Haiti July 2022).

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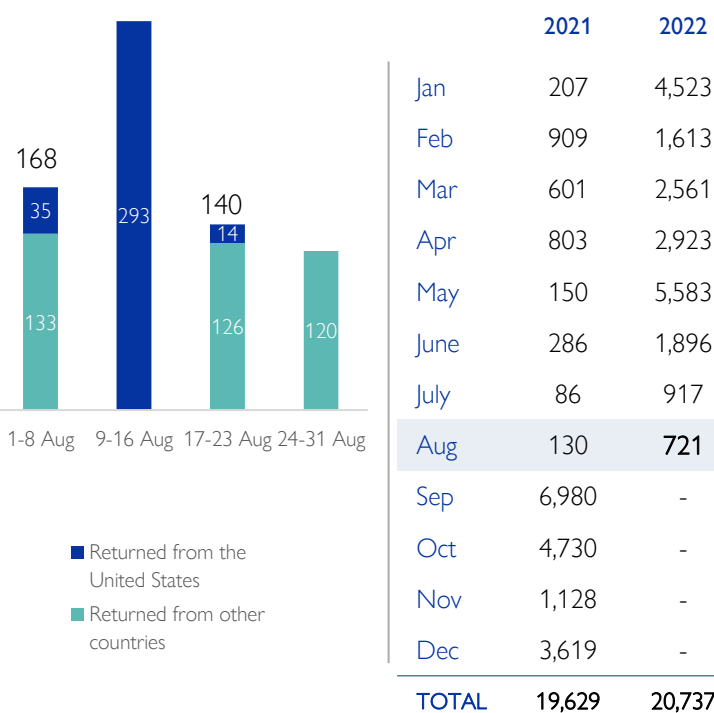
PROFILE OF RETURNEES (%)

► Age groups of migrants returned in August 2022 and since January 2022



RETURNS BY WEEK AND MONTH

► # of migrant returns by air and sea, per week (left) and month (right), and country from which migrants were repatriated



RETURNS BY REPATRIATING COUNTRY

| | August 2022 | Since January 2022 |
|---------------------|----------------|--------------------|
| United States | 342 48% | 14,587 70% |
| Bahamas | 246 34% | 1,946 10% |
| Cuba | 133 18% | 2,843 14% |
| Turks & Caicos | 0 N.A. | 1,315 6% |
| Others ¹ | 0 N.A. | 46 <1% |

¹ A total of **21,380** migrants have been returned from the United States between 19 September 2021 and August 2022. **Others** include Virgin Islands for April 2022 and Saint Kitts and Nevis for the rest of 2022.

REPATRIATION EVENTS

► Total # of repatriation events by land and sea, August 2022

Total # of repatriation events **9**

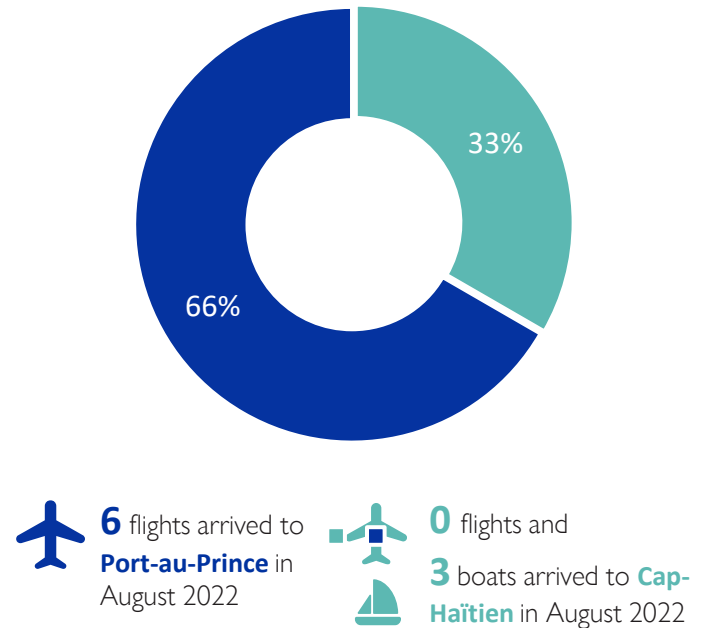
Total # of repatriation events **by air** **6**

of repatriation events **by sea**¹ **3**

Average # of migrants per repatriation event **94**

¹ The three repatriations by boat carried out in August 2022 were realized by the United States Coast Guard.

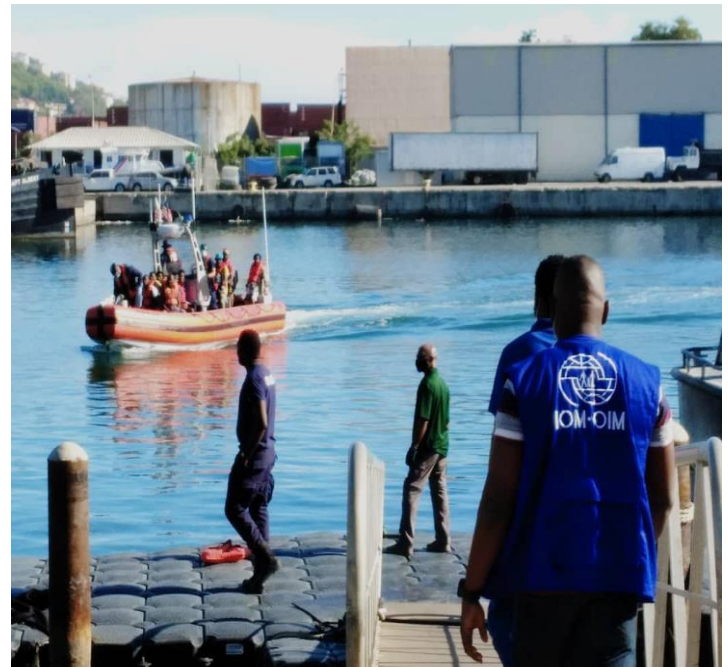
ARRIVAL LOCATION



IOM ASSISTANCE

Many returning migrants, which include unaccompanied and separated children as well as pregnant and nursing women, arrive to Haiti in highly vulnerable situations with few if any resources. Returnees are often in immediate need of humanitarian assistance, having faced a series of health and protection concerns during their journeys. IOM offers the following on-site services at airports upon arrival:

-  Food and beverage during the registration process
 -  Unconditional and multipurpose cash assistance
 -  Hygiene kits for everyone, including dignity items for women and girls and specific kits for babies
 -  First aid and referral to medical assistance if needed
 -  Psychosocial support and counseling services provided by trained IOM psychologists
 -  Support family reunification for unaccompanied / separated children with the Institute for Social Welfare and Research (IBESR)
 -  Phones available to call friends and relatives
 -  Protection screening by trained staff to identify vulnerable returnees and referrals to special services
- 8840** Availability of feedback and complaints mechanisms through IOM's free hotline 8840



IOM staff members on their way to meet Haitian nationals repatriated from the United States Coast Guard in Cap-Haïtien (© IOM Haiti July 2022).

Click [here](https://haiti.iom.int/data-and-resources) for additional IOM publications on returnees in Haiti (https://haiti.iom.int/data-and-resources)

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