In January 2022, the International Organization for Migration (IOM) in Haiti provided reception and post-arrival assistance to 4,518 adult and child migrants repatriated to Haiti by both air and sea to Port-au-Prince and Cap-Haïtien. This is in addition to nearly 20,000 migrants returned and assisted in 2021. Similar to 2021, the vast majority returned in January 2022 were returned by flight from the United States, while smaller 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.

**OVERVIEW**

**KEY STATISTICS**

- **Total # of migrants returned**
  - January 2022: 4,518
  - Since January 2021: 24,147

- **Total # returned by air**
  - January 2022: 4,329
  - Since January 2021: 23,005

- **Total # returned by sea**
  - January 2022: 189
  - Since January 2021: 1,142

**PROFILE OF RETURNEES**

- **% of migrants returned by air and sea, by sex and age group**

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<th>January 2022</th>
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<tr>
<td>Adult males</td>
<td>45%</td>
<td>57%</td>
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<td>Adult females</td>
<td>29%</td>
<td>25%</td>
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<td>Boys</td>
<td>13%</td>
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<td>Girls</td>
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**RETURNS BY WEEK AND MONTH**

- **# of migrants returned by air and sea, per week (left) and month (right), and location from which migrants were repatriated**

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<th>Year</th>
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<td>2021</td>
<td>207</td>
<td>909</td>
<td>601</td>
<td>803</td>
<td>150</td>
<td>286</td>
<td>86</td>
<td>130</td>
<td>6,980</td>
<td>4,730</td>
<td>1,128</td>
<td>3,619</td>
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**RETURNS BY REPATRIATING COUNTRY**

- **Of all migrants returned by air and sea, total (left) and % (right) by repatriating country**

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<th>Country</th>
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<tr>
<td>United States</td>
<td>4,255</td>
<td>19,189¹</td>
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<tr>
<td>Bahamas</td>
<td>247</td>
<td>2,244</td>
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<td>Cuba</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>1,362</td>
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<td>Turks and Caicos</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>750</td>
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<td>Others¹</td>
<td>16</td>
<td>602</td>
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¹ A total of 17,090 migrants have been returned from the United States between 19 September 2021 and 31 January 2022. Others include Mexico, Costa Rica, Guadeloupe, Guyana, Martinique and Saint Kitts and Nevis.
REPATRIATION EVENTS

- Total # of repatriation events by land and sea, January 2022
  - Total # of repatriation events: 41
  - Total # of repatriation events by flight: 40
  - Total # of repatriation events by boat:

| Average # of migrants per repatriation event | 111 |

ARRIVAL LOCATION

- of returned migrants arrived to Port-au-Prince in January 2022: 87%
- of returned migrants arrived to Cap-Haïtien in January 2022: 13%

IOM ASSISTANCE

Many returning migrants, which include unaccompanied and separated children (UASC) 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 for each returnee (up to USD 120 per person)
- Phones to contact friends and relatives
- A hygiene kit for each person, including dignity items for women and girls and specific items for babies
- Psychosocial support and counselling services provided by trained IOM psychologists
- First aid by an IOM doctor and referral for medical assistance when needed
- Support for family reunification for UASCs alongside the Institute for Social Welfare and Research (IBESR)
- Protection screenings by trained staff to identify vulnerable returnees and referral to special services
- Availability of feedback and complaint mechanisms, through IOM’s free hotline 840

These activities are implemented jointly by IOM and the National Migration Office (ONM, by its acronym in French) in Haiti, with funding provided by:

- USAID
- European Union
- Civil Protection
- Humanitarian Aid

See here for additional IOM publications on returnees in Haiti.