

OVERVIEW

In May 2022, the International Organization for Migration (IOM) in Haiti provided reception and post-arrival assistance to 5,583 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 and to the previous month of April 2022, the vast majority returned in May 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.

KEY STATISTICS

	May 2022	Since January 2022
Total # of migrants returned	5,583	17,203
Total # returned by air	4,903	15,577
Total # returned by sea	680	1,626

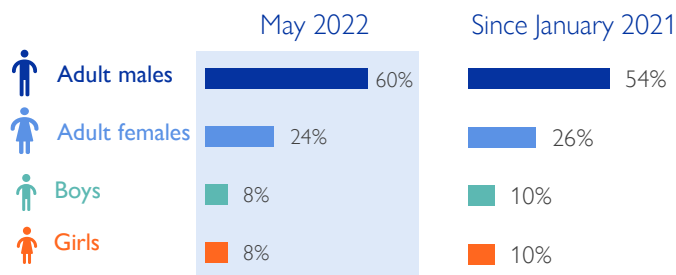


IOM staff providing reception assistance to returnees at the Toussaint Louverture International Airport in the capital Port-au-Prince (© IOM Haiti October 2021).

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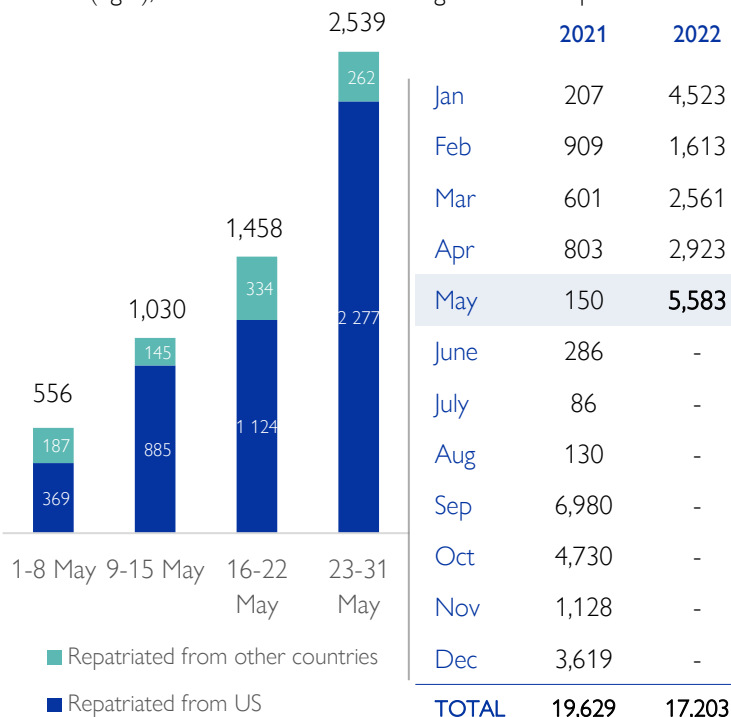
PROFILE OF RETURNEES (%)

► % of migrants returned in May, by age group



RETURNS BY WEEK AND MONTH

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



RETURNS BY REPATRIATING COUNTRY

	May 2022	Since January 2022
United States	4,655 83%	13,199 77%
Cuba	428 8%	1,485 9%
Turks & Caicos	307 5%	775 5%
Bahamas	193 3%	1,698 10%
Others ¹	0 0%	46 <1%

¹ A total of **26,035** migrants have been returned from the United States between 19 September 2021 and May 2022. **Others** include Virgin Islands and Saint Kitts and Nevis for the rest of 2022.

REPATRIATION EVENTS

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

Total # of repatriation events **54**

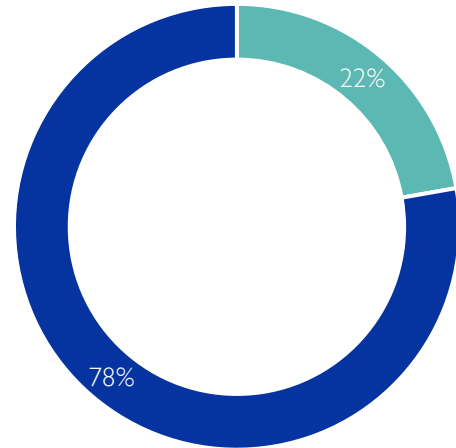
Total # of repatriation events **by air** **48**

of repatriation events **by sea**¹ **6**


Average # of migrants per repatriation event **103**

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

ARRIVAL LOCATION



 **42** flights arrived to **Port-au-Prince** in May 2022

 **6** flights and **6** boats arrived to **Cap-Haïtien** in May 2022

IOM'S 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



An IOM medical doctor conducts a consultation with returnees at the Toussaint Louverture International Airport in Port-au-Prince (© IOM Haiti December 2021).

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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