

This report is produced by the United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) Haiti in collaboration with humanitarian partners. It covers the humanitarian situation in Port-au-Prince following the violence that broke out on 29 February. The report covers the period from 29 March to 2 April 2024.

HIGHLIGHTS

- New boat cargo carries medicine, food and equipment to be delivered in the north.
- HIV testing sites are affected by the violence.

3.5M

Litres of water distributed to more than 60,000 displaced people since 29 February

358,000¹

Hot meals distributed to displaced people in Port-au-Prince since 29 February

53,000

People who have sought safety outside of Port-au-Prince since early March

7%

Funding coverage of the 2024 Humanitarian Response Plan

SITUATION OVERVIEW

On 30 March, the World Food Programme (WFP), the Logistics sector and partners chartered a boat to deliver cargo from Port-au-Prince to Gonaives. The 18-truck shipment contained, among others, medicines and medical supplies for more than 100 health partners in the northern region and food to replenish close to 30 distribution centres in the Nord-Ouest Department, including schools and hospitals. Some of these structures had not received any new supplies since August 2023. The consignment also allowed the International Organization for Migration (IOM) to assist some 5,000 migrants who have been returned from the Dominican Republic.

Gang attacks on healthcare facilities continue in the Port-au-Prince Metropolitan Area (ZMPAP), further restricting access to health care. Armed groups looted the Delmas 18 hospital and the Saint Martin health centre on both 26 and 27 March 2024. The Haiti State University Hospital (HUEH), slated to reopen on 1 April, as well as the Bernard Mevs hospital, remain closed. La Paix University hospital (HUP) remains operational with the support of the Pan-American Health Organization/World Health Organization (PAHO/WHO), which includes the provision of medicines and medical supplies, fuel and other logistic assistance to ensure continued operations. However, due to the closure of the State Hospital, it is facing significant strain amid increased workloads. Armed groups raided 10 pharmacies near the State Hospital last week, worsening people's ability to obtain necessary medications. PAHO/WHO will continue directing its limited funding towards urgent life-saving needs by focusing on supporting the continuation of emergency and essential health services, including for pregnant women and internally displaced persons (IDPs) in hospitals. NGOs who receive funding will continue conducting mobile clinics in IDP sites.

HIV and Tuberculosis service sites continue to be affected, mostly in ZMPAP, with HIV testing being the most affected service. UNAIDS supports the Ministry of Public Health and Population and its partners to facilitate service delivery, as well as resource mobilization, with potential additional investments within The Global Fund and the United States President's Emergency Plan For AIDS Relief (PEPFAR) implementation of HIV grants, with a focus on victims of sexual violence. In the Ouest Department, the 10 gender-based violence (GBV) shelters supported by The Global Fund are overcapacity and 14 more have recently been informally organized by civil society organizations.

¹¹ As of 31 March

FUNDING

Overall funding for the country



Humanitarian Response Plan (HRP) funding



HUMANITARIAN RESPONSE

Food Security

- On 2 April, WFP distributed hot meals to 27,724 IDPs in Port-au-Prince metropolitan area, and to 648 returnees from the Dominican Republic. Additionally, over 258,000 school children received meals in the departments.

Health

- Nearly 600 consultations were carried out last week in three IDP sites through mobile clinics conducted by Ouest Department health officials, with the support of PAHO and the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF).
- PAHO/WHO delivered medicines and supplies to four hospitals of Port-au-Prince (Fontaine Hospital in Cité Soleil, Medical and Social Centre of Petite Place Cazeau in Delmas, Dr Raoul Pierre-Louis Hospital in Carrefour and Eliazar Germain Hospital in Petion Ville) for the management of GBV survivor cases and the treatment of childhood illnesses.
- With the support of PAHO/WHO, 25 multi-functional community health workers in the Nord-Est Department enhanced their skills in delivering psychosocial first aid during an intensive two-day training course last week.

Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH)

- Some 299,000 litres of water have been distributed between 23 March and 1 April by the Agency for Technical Cooperation and Development (ACTED), IOM, Solidarités International, UNICEF and their partners.
- From 28 to 30 March, ACTED and UNICEF distributed 681 hygiene kits in four IDP sites. From 26 to 29 March, Concern Worldwide distributed 317 hygiene kits in five neighborhoods of Cite Soleil

COORDINATION / ADVOCACY

- On 2 April, Humanitarian Coordinator Ulrika Richardson chaired a meeting of the Humanitarian Country Team focused on the ongoing humanitarian response and solutions to the current challenges including funding.

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