



The International Organization for Migration (IOM) is committed to supporting the Government of Haiti (GoH) in its immediate and long-term migration related challenges. Through its core competencies and its consolidated experience in the country, IOM supports the Government of Haiti in order to increase the resilience of the most vulnerable population.

This is done by providing protection assistance to returning and prospective migrants, as well as to internally displaced people due to natural disasters or urban violence. Further support includes disaster preparedness and response as well as mitigation activities aimed at addressing the root causes of urban and rural migration such as climate change, responding to health crises, and improving urban conditions and critical infrastructure in order to strengthen community stabilization.

- IOM Main Office
- IOM Sub-offices
- Warehouses



 1994 IOM is present in Haiti	 1995 Haiti becomes an IOM member	 1995 Accord de Siege is signed
 7 offices 8 warehouses	 142 staff 127 national 15 international	 USD 20M (USD 12M in 2020)

- IOM in Haiti is a full member of UN Country Team (UNCT) and Humanitarian Country Team (HCT).
- IOM Haiti is a signatory agency of the UN Development Assistance Framework (UNDAF) 2017–2021.
- IOM and the Integrated Bureau of the United Nations in Haiti (BINUH, in French) have been closely collaborating to reinforce capacities of the GoH to manage and secure border areas; management of human and orderly migration.
- IOM is the lead of the national Migration Working Group of the UN Migration Network, the co-lead of the Shelter/NFIs National Working Group along with the Housing and Public Building Construction Unit (UCLBP), the co-lead of the National Counter-Trafficking coordination group along with the National Counter-Trafficking Committee (CNLTP).



Community members affected by the earthquake that shook Haiti on 14 August gather for a distribution of non-food items. ©IOM2021

International Border Management (IBM)

Through the support of the UN Peacebuilding Fund, IOM continues to facilitate the bi-national dialogue between Haitian and Dominican authorities working at the border, specifically in matters of migration and security.

In collaboration with the GoH through the Haitian National Police and through the support of the US and Canadian Governments, IOM is supporting the establishment of the Haitian Border Police (POLIFRONT) across the land border between Haiti and the Dominican Republic.

IOM has installed a migration data analysis and information system (MIDAS) in Malpasse, Ouanaminthe and at the International Airport of Cap Haitien, with the aim of continuing in Belladere and Anse-a-Pitre soon.

Shelter and Non-Food Items (S/NFI)

IOM provides timely and life-saving assistance to those affected by natural disasters, such as the 14 August 2021 earthquake, by providing shelter support, promoting a multi-sectoral approach and undertaking a Build Back Safer (BBS) approach to increase the population's resilience through specific trainings and awareness-raising campaigns.

IOM currently maintains eight warehouses covering the country with a stockpile of 14,000 NFIs ready to be rapidly deployed anywhere across the country and in the region in case of emergency.

Displacement Tracking Matrix (DTM)

Though its DTM team, data on movements of displaced people is collected, processed and published, enabling the timely identification of vulnerable populations and their needs, thus strengthening coordinated efforts of all humanitarian actors.

IOM Haiti has adapted its DTM capacity to respond to the country's different migration challenges. Currently, IOM monitors the movements of repatriated migrants from neighbouring countries, such as the US, The Bahamas, Turks and Caicos, among others, and its also supporting the identification of needs and vulnerabilities of those displaced by the 14 August earthquake.

Protection

IOM provides direct humanitarian assistance, including psychosocial follow-up and family reunification assistance to vulnerable returnees and deportees from neighbouring Dominican Republic, as well as to migrants repatriated from countries in the region, such as The Bahamas, Turks and Caicos Islands, Cuba, Guadeloupe, Saint Kitts and Nevis, but also coming from Mexico and Chile.

IOM is working to provide critical protection assistance, including support to relocation efforts for internally displaced people due to natural disasters or urban violence, notably in areas affected by the resurgence of gang activities.

With the CNLTP, IOM organizes capacity building activities for key national partners and civil society and provides direct assistance to victims of trafficking and vulnerable migrants along the border, through the four Border Resource Centers (BRCs).

VISA Application Centers (VAC)

IOM Haiti manages the Chilean Visa Application Centre (CVAC), which is responsible for the administrative procedures for humanitarian and family reunion visa applications for Haitian Citizens on behalf of the Government of Chile through the Chilean Consulate in Haiti.

IOM Haiti also operates a Brazilian Visa Service Centre (BVAC) on behalf of the Brazilian Embassy in Port-au-Prince. COVID-19 awareness measures to protect staff and beneficiaries are being implemented into the regular process.

Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR)

IOM's DRR Unit co-leads the Thematic Committee for Evacuation and Management of Provisional Shelters (CTEGAP) with Haiti's Generale Directorate for Civil Protection (DGPC). It focuses on emergency preparedness and response, evacuation shelters, community-based DRR activities, and the mitigation of physical harm.

To ensure the sustainability of IOM's actions, all the activities are conducted as capacity building support for state authorities, including strengthening DGPC's role in the event of an emergency and DRR community engagement.

