The multiple shocks that affected Haiti in the past years such as natural disasters and epidemics, combined with the country’s structural weaknesses in a fragile social, economic and political context, have had a lasting impact on the ability of the most vulnerable to meet their basic needs, and have limited access to quality basic services. The economic situation continued to deteriorate in 2019, with a low growth rate, a depreciation of the local currency, high inflation, an increased price of the food basket, with a negative impact on the humanitarian situation. The security context and social tensions that have prevailed over the past 12 months have also impacted the humanitarian situation and limited humanitarian access in a large part of the country.

According to the Humanitarian Needs Overview (HNO) projections, in 2020, 4.6 million Haitians, about 40% of the total population, will require urgent humanitarian assistance.

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