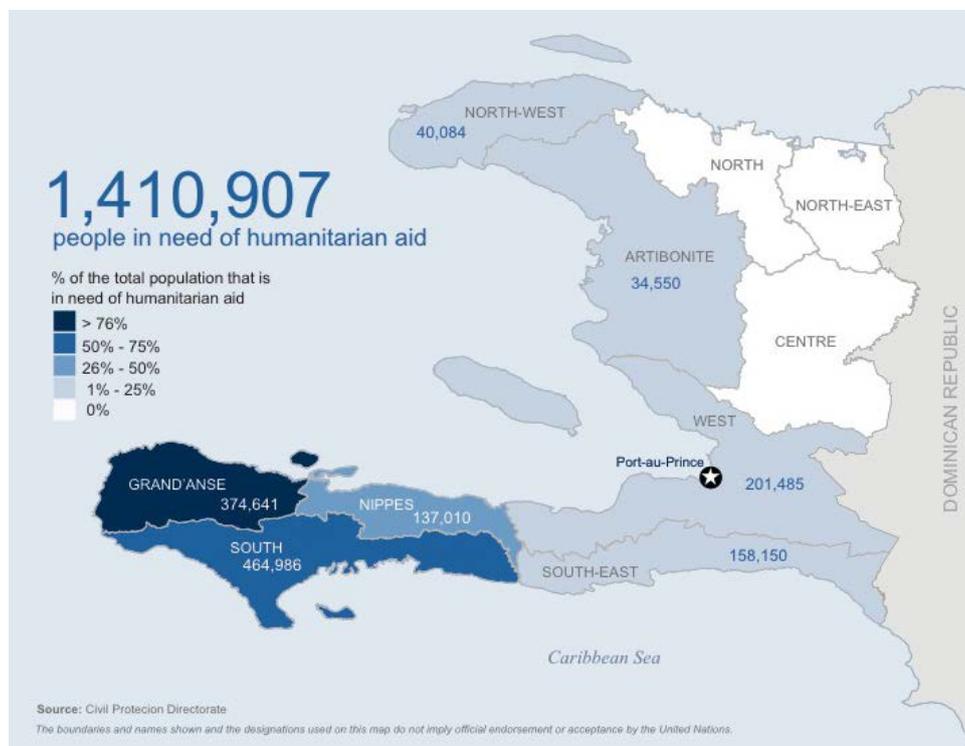




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Highlights

- According to the last figures issued by the government, it is estimated that **1,410,907 people** are in need of humanitarian assistance, representing 12.9% of the population of the country (10.9M).
- According to the last figures issued by the government, it is estimated that **2.1 million people** have been affected by Hurricane Matthew.
- **A total of 336 people were killed** by the hurricane in seven departments from south-east to north-west, according to data available at noon on 8 October.
- UNICEF and IBESR have assessed **19 residential care** centers in Les Cayes, totaling **1.112 children (423 girls)**, 14 out of the 19 centers have suffered damages.



2,128,708
People affected

Source: United Nations in Haiti

1,410,907
People in need of assistance

Source: United Nations in Haiti

61,537
People evacuated

Source: Civil Protection Department(DPC)

1,855
Flooded houses

Source: Civil Protection Department(DPC)

Situation Overview

After the passage, on October 4th, of category 4 Hurricane Matthew, Haiti is facing the largest humanitarian event since the earthquake six years ago. 336 fatalities were confirmed until 8th of October by the Directorate for Civil Protection. A total of 211 people are injured and four remain unaccounted for. The number of people in the 191 temporary shelters is 61,537. More than 1,410,907 are in people need of immediate assistance in the departments of Grand'Anse, South, Nippes, South East, West, Artibonite and North West. An estimated 2.1 million people have been affected in the same departments, according to the latest estimation released by the DPC.

A Flash Appeal will be launched tomorrow in Geneva to respond to the most urgent humanitarian needs of 750,000 seriously affected people (targeted population) for the next three months. The appeal targets vulnerable groups in identified priority sectors and takes into account the capacities at national level and those of humanitarian partners on the ground. Over the next week, partners will develop projects according to the sector activities and financial requirements identified in this appeal, adapting the response to the most up-to-date assessment results.

UNICEF has announced that 3,000 blankets, 4,000 buckets without retainers, 60 drums of HTH (chlorine), 100,000 soaps, 350 boxes of Aquatabs, 350 SRO Boxes, and 2,000 Lactated Ringer boxes are scheduled to be sent to the departments of South and Grand'Anse as soon as loading is complete Sunday. Supplies will be distributed by

OXFAM, ACTED, DINEPA and Ministry of Health (MSPP).

Humanitarian Needs/Response

Coordination

- The documents required to import relief goods into Haiti are an invoice, a certificate of donation to Haitian State through the Civil Protection Directorate of Haiti, an AWB, or a bill of landing, and a fleet certificate that mentions the expiry date of the items. An authorization from the Ministry of Health is required.
- Since Wednesday 5 October UNICEF has 6 staff members from Emergency, WASH, Education and Protection sections deployed in the field in les Cayes, Jeremie and Gonaives. Staff are assisting partners with distribution and conducting rapid needs assessment. UNICEF is looking for office space in les Cayes.

Food Security and Nutrition

- The Ministry of Agriculture, Natural Resources and Rural Development (MARNDR) reported severe losses of harvests, food stock and means of production. In the South-East Department, 5,000 tons of maize and thousands of poultry have been lost. Twenty-seven fishing boats have been reported damaged.
- In the South, the COUN (National Emergency Operation Center) reported that 35,000 people are living in shelters with limited food access.
- WFP will use its contingency stock (3,450MT) to respond to the immediate food needs of up to 300,000 people.
- WFP has deployed five teams to conduct an Emergency Food Security Assessment (EFSA) in the most affected departments of Grand'Anse, South, South-East, North-West, and Nippes in partnership with FAO, CNSA (National Coordination for Food Security) and MARNDR (Ministry of Agriculture, Natural Resources and Rural Development).

Shelter and Non-Food Items

- WFP assessment team located in the South department reported 95% loss on shelter (home, churches, and schools) and harvest in coastal area.

Health

- According to the MSPP (Ministry of Public Health and Population) 70 cholera cases were reported in the commune of Anse d'Hainault in the Grand'Anse in the last few days.
- UNICEF reported that, only the Emergency service and the maternity are currently operational at the hospital of Les Cayes. The infrastructure of the hospital is heavily affected. The Outpatient clinic is damaged and must be repaired quickly. There is a lack of essential drugs and medical supply in the whole department of Grand'Anse. As the Cholera Treatment Center is no longer functional, the 13 cholera patients are staying in the emergency room. Rehabilitation of the CTC should be finished now.
- The main Hospital in Jeremie is also severely damaged and there is no information about the hospital of Dame Marie. A further health assessment is ongoing in the 5 affected departments.
- UNICEF is closely collaborating with PAHO for the emergency Health response, as well as for supporting the Nutrition Section of the Ministry of Health, re-establishing sectoral coordination at central and departmental level to maximize preventive measures and care capacity in the affected areas.

WASH

- UNICEF has started the distribution of prepositioned emergency supplies with in partnership with ACTED. Prepositioned supplies included family water kits, aquatabs, tarpaulins and mosquito nets.
- UNICEF has provided the National directorate for water and sanitation (DINEPA) with supplies, including water bladders, water pumps, water storage buckets, HTH chlorine and aquatabs. Additional DINEPA supplies were sent two days after hurricane.
- A water bladder was made available for the hospital of Les Cayes. UNICEF partners, CARE and ACTED, are installing water bladders elsewhere to create strategic water points starting with those shelters hosting the highest number of people.
- Two trucks with commercial water bottles departed to Les Cayes on Saturday. Two flatbed trucks for mobile water points with bladder and two additional water tankers scheduled to leave on Sunday. Contracting private water tankers already on site is being explored.
- UNICEF is also working to supply mobile toilets with DINEPA. As many areas are flooded, digging toilets is impossible. A TDH/PADF/UNICEF team is assessing the South West of the department.

Protection

- UNICEF and Institute of Social Welfare and Research (IBESR) have assessed 19 residential care centers in Les Cayes, totaling 1.112 children (423 girls), 14 out of the 19 centers have suffered damages. The main needs to ensure adequate care conditions are food, water and sanitation. UNICEF and IBESR's teams have started the social documentation of these children in order to assess family tracing and reunification needs. No cases of unaccompanied minors have been identified yet.
- In partnership with IBESR, UNICEF will channel assistance to vulnerable families to avoid the cycle of informal foster care/institutional care. The support of communities and government will also be necessary to facilitate reunification of those children who might have been separated from their families. Information from Grand'Anse, Nippes, and South is still being gathered.

Education

- UNICEF has indicated that 300 schools are estimated to have been affected across the country. Available figures account only for public schools, which make up less than 40% of schools in Haiti. Assessments of private schools (mostly catholic and protestant schools) are also necessary. In particular in the Southern Departments (Grand'Anse, Nippes and South) heavy damages (mainly damaged roofs) have been reported in school infrastructure.
- Ministry of Education (MoE) is in charge of updating the master list of the affected schools.
- Many children have lost all their books and school supplies. Around 70% of schools in Grand'Anse might have been damaged. In Jeremie 90% of the schools are estimated to be damaged.
- Partners identified a funding gap of 4.3 million USD in order to respond to immediate needs in education sector, allowing for the reopening of schools, at the benefit of 106,000 children.
- While the MoE plans to reopen the schools across the country on Monday 10 October, the opening of many schools in the affected areas won't be possible. The Government of Haiti has urged partners to support it in the establishment of temporary learning spaces in the coming days.

Humanitarian Air Service

- Nine helicopters were expected yesterday from the US Department of Defense (DOD) team. They will be based at the domestic terminal of Port-au-Prince airport. The US DOD team will facilitate airline cargo transport. For cargo transport, organizations will have to arrange the transportation of goods from their warehouse in Port-au-Prince to the terminal and submit, in advance, information on weight/dimension/quantity of pallets.
- The United Nations Humanitarian Air Service (UNHAS) deployed an S-76B helicopter with 9-seater, 0.7MT cargo for assessments and rapid interventions. Les Cayes, Jeremie are served as well as other locations in the affected region.

Logistics

- The US Navy has made available one ship that was stationed in the Gulf of Gonave. There will be one ship at a time off the coast of Haiti.
- On this October 9th, a first meeting of the logistic working group took place in Les Cayes under the chairmanship of the COUD (Emergency Operations Center Departmental). The aim of the meeting was to start designing logistic work in the area.

Media and telecoms

- According to Internews, several media outlets in the south had their equipment damaged by water. Inverters and generators have been swamped with water. There is no electricity from the national electrical grid and fuel availability is low.
- Three media have used makeshift towers to resume broadcasting with use of limited equipment. Their coverage is reduced and signal quality is low.
- Internews provided technical support to some media outlets to repair some electric equipment and optimize available resources and equipment, while carrying its technical evaluation.
- Telecoms in South are also affected. Digicel network seems to be up to 60% in the South but varies a lot from an area to another. Several relays suffer from the same energy supply issues, water in the generator or lack of refueling.
- Telecoms in Jeremie remain very problematic and congested but DIGICEL is working to restore its network.

Environment

- UN Environment assisted the Haitian government in the South including on the evacuation of people living in vulnerable areas next to the coasts and on the islands of the south coast. In the southern region, UN Environment helped directly to evacuate fishing communities and their fishing equipment.
- In Formont, a town in the mountains in the interior, which is the gateway to the Macaya National Park, 167 houses of 175 may have been destroyed, according to information from the Macaya Park Management Unit.
- UN Environment has been collaborating with the assessment teams to give guidance to multi-sectoral rapid field assessments due to its recognized expertise in the area.

Funding

The Central Emergency Response Fund (CERF) will release a grant of US\$5 million to address the most life-saving needs.

Summary of other funding:

Donor	Amount (USD)	Support
European Union	\$1,950,000	Humanitarian assistance for people most affected in Haiti.
USAID/OFDA	\$300,000	Immediate relief efforts: \$150,000 to the American Red Cross to support the Haitian Red Cross on logistics to distribute emergency relief items and support evacuation shelter management operations in departments affected. \$150,000 to Catholic Relief Services to support distribution of emergency relief items in Grand'Anse and Sud departments.
The Caribbean Development Bank	\$200,000	Emergency Response Grant to Bahamas and Haiti.
International Federation of Red Cross	\$576,500	DREF allocated for Haiti

All humanitarian partners, including donors and recipient agencies, are encouraged to inform OCHA's Financial Tracking Service (FTS - <http://fts.unocha.org>) of cash and in-kind contributions by e-mailing fts@un.org.

Inquiries from the private sector for offers of in-kind and pro-bono services can be directed to pss@un.org.

Commercial offers are directed to www.ungm.org for more information.

General Coordination

The site haiti.humanitarianresponse.info is being used by humanitarian partners to share information about the response activities.

Background on the crisis:

Category 4 Hurricane Matthew struck the south-west coast of Haiti at 0700 local time (1200 GMT) on 4 October. Wind speeds of 230km/h were recorded, causing widespread damage, flooding and displacement. The most affected departments are Grand'Anse, South, Nippes and South East, where heavy floods were recorded. West and North West departments were also affected.

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UNDP has established an online donation platform where private contributions to Haiti can be offered: bit.ly/supportundphaiti Donations will be directed to quick-start recovery efforts to support poor families in disaster-affected communities.