

# PARAGUAY FLOODS - SITUATION IN NUMBERS

**12,468**

**Displaced families**

61,335 people



**6**

**Departments**

(Including the capital  
Asuncion)



**6**

**Health Facilities  
damaged**



**125**

**Temporary Shelters**

118 in Asunción



**11**

**Deaths**



# Paraguay Floods - Situation Report

## # 1

08 May 2019

### CONTEXT

Between 15 March and 8 May 2019, atypical flooding of the Paraguay river caused by heavy rainfall affected riparian communities in 19 districts belonging to 6 departments including the capital (Distrito Capital).

The flooding cut off rural roads and isolated many small riparian communities - a total of 38,504 families (192,520 people) were affected, 11 deaths were reported, and 6 health care facilities were damaged.

The most affected department is Distrito Capital, where several neighborhoods in Asuncion were flooded and 12,267 families (61,335 people) were displaced. In the departments of Presidente Hayes and in Alto Paraguay, 100% of the districts are affected by roadblocks

Water, Hygiene and Sanitation are the most urgent needs as temporary shelters in Asuncion do not have sufficient supply in accordance with minimum humanitarian standards

The flooding is expected to remain constant or increase due to the seasonal flooding of the river starting in the month of June.

Departments affected by flooding. Paraguay. 15 March - 8 May 2019



Capital District (Asuncion)

Presidente Hayes

Alto Paraguay

Concepción

Central

Ñeembucú

### AFFECTED POPULATIONS

	Families affected	Risk Group* %	Shelters (n=125)
Asuncion	12,267	unknown	118 <small>All 12,267 families displaced</small>
Presidente Hayes	9,192	25%	7 <small>201 families displaced</small>
Alto Paraguay	1,132	24%	0

\* Risk Group: Those Under 5 years old, pregnant, or elderly

#### 11 deaths

- Presidente Hayes (4)
- Asunción (5)
- Concepción (1)
- Alto Paraguay (1)

#### Gaps & Challenges

- Displacement to shelters
- Roadblocks
- Access to health services
- Insufficient WASH in shelters
- Medical supplies and equipment

#### PAHO Provided

- 280 PPEs and life jackets for medical brigades
- Electrical generators (Presidente Hayes and Alto Paraguay departments)
- Printing plans for COES
- Douching modules for shelters

### RESPONSE

National COES activated at the Central Level

Presidente Hayes Department:

- Regional COES activated
- 9 Rapid Response teams deployed
- Aero-medical evacuations carried out with the Armed Forces

Asunción: More than 61,000 affected people were assisted by staff from USF

PAHO:

Declared a 90 day administrative emergency since 17 April 2019

Daily monitoring and response

Epidemiological surveillance

Coordination with ASANED and DGVS.

### AFFECTED HEALTH SERVICES



6

Asunción (3)  
Presidente Hayes (3)