



Photo: WFP convoy of food assistance left Les Cayes for a distribution in Maniche, to provide food supplies to 5,000 people on 23 August. ©WFP/Alexis Masciarelli

In Numbers

2,207 fatalities

12,268 people injured

215,000 to be provided WFP food assistance in affected areas (Sud, Nippes and Grande-Anse)

50,695 people received WFP assistance since the earthquake and **16,780** hot meals served

Highlights

- Humanitarian needs are rising for the 650,000 Haitians living in the areas affected by the 7.2 magnitude earthquake that struck the South of country on 14 August 2021. To cover their most urgent needs, a United Nations Flash Appeal totalling USD 187.3 million (USD 40 million for food security) was released to call for international support.
- In response to the crisis, WFP is scaling up its relief plan to assist 215,000 people in the hard-hit mountainous sectors of Beaumont, Baradères, Cavaillon, Camp-Perrin, Maniche, Plaisance-du-Sud, Petit-Trou-de-Nippes and surrounding areas.

Global Humanitarian Appeal:

USD 187.3 million

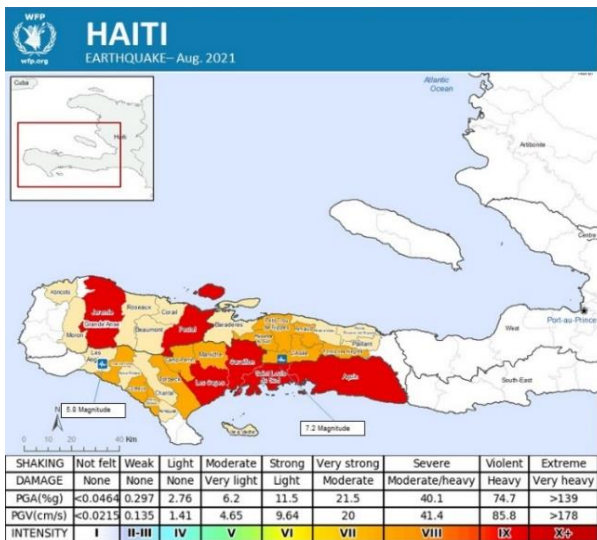
WFP share:

USD 25.9 million

Emergency Food Assistance
Common Services
Education
Nutrition

Situation Update

- A 7.2 magnitude earthquake struck Haiti on Saturday 14 August. Over **2,200 people died** while over **12,000 were injured** and **130,000 homes were destroyed or damaged**. Needs for shelter, hygiene and food are rising for those who lost their homes and livelihoods.
- Since the earthquake, **WFP distributed 16,780 hot meals and assisted 50,695 people with 453 metric tons (mt) of rice, peas and oil and nearly USD 300,000 in cash transfers** in the Sud, Nippes and Grande-Anse departments.
- Insecurity is challenging and slowing down relief distributions.** The looting of humanitarian cargo from several actors and tension at some distribution sites, by people complaining their needs are not met, are hampering the humanitarian response.
- Through extensive planning with the National Police for transport protection and crowd control, the communal mayor and local partners, **WFP is scaling up its distribution.** Twice this week, WFP managed to provide emergency food assistance to over 5,000 people in Maniche and Camp Perrin. WFP coordinated with IOM and UNICEF to optimise police resources and facilitate joint distributions of food, shelter, hygiene and WASH kits.



- **WFP Regional Director** for Latin America and the Caribbean, Lola Castro, **visited Maniche and Camp Perrin** where she met with local residents. During her visit to Haiti, the Regional Director met with partners, authorities and donors to discuss the scaling up of WFP operational response and how to overcome access and security constraints for the humanitarian sector.

WFP Response

- WFP outlined its response plan to cater for additional food needs, coordinate food security, logistics and telecommunication sectors efforts, and provide transport and storage services to humanitarian partners. The estimated requirements amount to USD 25.9 million and will be revised as needs assessments become available.
- **WFP's** response plan is executed in close partnership **with the National Coordination for Food Security (CNSA), the General Direction of Civil Protection (DGPC) and local authorities.**
- **WFP** and **CNSA** are also partnering for the Food Security Assessment (EFSa). Preliminary results are expected on 3 September.
- WFP participates in a joint gender need assessment in the earthquake affected areas led by UN Women.
- WFP is working with UNICEF, UN Office for Project Services (UNOPS), donors and the Haitian Government to estimate needs for the rehabilitation of schools damaged during the earthquake. 250 schools supported by WFP are located in the affected areas, serving 40,000 students. The new academic year starts on 6 September.



Food and Nutrition Assistance

- Since the 1 August, WFP has delivered food assistance rations to a total of 100,205 people in the Grand-Anse, Nippes and Sud departments, including 50,695 people since 14 August. USAID has authorized the release of 820 mt of food from the contingency stock for relief operations.
- In addition, WFP is providing 2,500 daily hot meals to health centers patients, their attending families and staff in Beaumont, Duchity, Jeremie, and Les Cayes. WFP is now partnering with World Central Kitchen to scale up its hot meal servings to 7,000 daily.



Logistics Sector

- WFP Logistics Sector is actively present to offer information management and coordination services linking the humanitarians to a joint



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WFP, UNICEF, IOM joint distribution in Camp Perrin (South)

WFP is developing a coping strategy against Haiti's logistical challenges. The Logistics Sector provides an updated interactive access constraints map ([link to map](#)).

- Requests from partners drastically increased over the last week with the implementation of a daily WFP convoy to Les Cayes. Requests focusing on Port-au-Prince's logistics capacity, now switch to logistics support in Les Cayes.
- To date, WFP has coordinated jointly with the National Police and the UN Disaster Assessment Coordination (UNDAC) 8 humanitarian convoys for a total of 90 vehicles in support of 26 partners to transport relief cargo from Port-au-Prince to Les Cayes.
- A barge service is also available to partners to further facilitate transport to the coastal areas.
- While humanitarian actors continue to prioritize commercial road, coastal and air transport, airlift operations using military assets have been offered to deliver assistance in remote areas. So far, 43 mt of medical cargo and food, have been transported by the US military, with the help of WFP Civil-Military officers.



Emergency Telecommunications

- WFP deployed a Telecom officer in Les Cayes to assess and improve the telecommunication network in Les Cayes, strengthen the VHF radio network in the department and ensure stable satellite communication.



UN Humanitarian Air Service

- The UNHAS flight frequency to the South was augmented to respond the increasing demand for passengers and medical cargo movement.
- Up to the 26 August, 360 passengers and urgent medical supply were transported to affected areas.

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WFP distribution in Maniche (South)