

# **HUMANITARIAN SITREP HAITI**

Health Cluster Sitrep #9

April 6-12, 2025

(Epi Week 15)



#### **HIGHLIGHTS**

- A total of 51 499 people have been newly displaced following the recent gang attack in Mirebalais.<sup>1</sup> Most internally displaced persons (IDPs) are currently located in Boucan Carré, Hinche and Lascahobas. Health services in Mirebalais have been severely disrupted as health facilities are no longer functional due to the evacuation of staff.
- PAHO/WHO donated 1.5 metric tons of medicines and supplies - including emergency, surgical and trauma kits- to the Health Directorate of the Centre department. This contribution will support approximately 50 surgical interventions and over 1 000 primary health care consultations.
- PAHO/WHO supported Ministry of Public Health and Population in launching the first National Health Week, held simultaneously in Port au Prince and Cap Haïtien on Monday, April 7, 2025.
- The cholera situation remains alarming, with a reported upsurge of suspected cases in Cap Haïtien (17 suspected cases). The overall Case Fatality Rate (CFR) stands at 1.34%, which is above acceptable thresholds. Contributing factors include poor WaSH conditions and the presence of IDPs. While additional funding is still needed to scale up the epidemiological surveillance and response activities, advocacy efforts by PAHO and UNICEF have helped secure initial support from ECHO for the outgoing outbreak response.

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Over **130 000** persons have been displaced in Haiti due to gang-related violence since January 2025. Overall, more than **1 million people** are displaced across the country.<sup>2</sup> The vast majority is living in host families and in more than **119 active** sites

**540 800 migrants** deported from the Dominican Republic<sup>3</sup> (72.4% males, 19.7% females, 4.7% boys, 3.5% girls).

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Coordination				
2	Bilateral discussions with IMPACT/REACH			
2	MSNA and Entraide Medical International about the response in Grand'Anse.			
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1	HNRP (2025) de-prioritization.			
Surveillance, Alert and Response				
1 487	Suspected cholera cases across the country			
1 407	from Dec 29, 2024 to April 15, 2025 <sup>4</sup>			
13	Confirmed cholera cases from Dec 29 to			
13	April 12, 2025 <sup>5</sup>			
20	6 hospital and 14 community deaths due			
20	to cholera (overall CFR <u><b>1,34%</b></u> ) <sup>6</sup>			
831	Suspected cholera cases admitted to a			
651	CTDA <sup>7</sup> from Dec 29 to April 12, 2025			
Health response related to displacement				
	Internally displaced persons assisted in			
30 808	health facilities and through mobile clinics			
	deployed by health cluster partners.			

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> ETT 61.2, 17 April 2025, OIM

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> DTM round 9, Jan 14; ETT 55, Jan 30; ETT 55.1, Feb. 10; ETT 56, Jan 31; ETT 55.2, Feb 18; ETT 57, Feb 14; ETT 60, Mar 11; ETT 57.3, Mar 5; ETT 57.2, Feb 28; ETT 57.1, Feb 25; ETT 58, Feb. 25; ETT 59, Mar 5, OIM, 2025.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Interactive deportation monitoring dashboard, ONM/IOM, November 2022 to date.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Compilation DELR, March 2025.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Compilation DELR, March 2025.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Compilation DELR, March 2025.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Acute diarrhea treatment centers, CDTA as per its acronym in French.

# **Situation updates**

### **Cholera**

From Dec 29, 2024 to April 12, 2025, a total of **1 487** suspected cholera cases were reported nationwide, with 831 admissions to CTDAs. During EpiWeek 15 (April 6-12, 2025), 8 suspected cholera cases were identified in three IDP sites by epi-surveillance teams deployed with PAHO/WHO support – two of which tested positive to RDT<sup>8</sup>.

In addition, four communes continue to report high numbers of suspected cholera cases: Cap-Haïtien (Nord), Bainet (Sud), Arcahaie and Cité Soleil (Ouest).

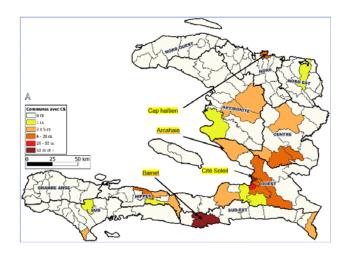


Figure 1: Four cholera hotspots <sup>9</sup> as reported during EpiWeek 15 (April 6-12, 2025)

## **Displacement**

A total of 51 499 **people have been newly displaced** following the gang attacks in Mirebalais on March 31, 2025.



Figure 2: ETT 61.2, IOM, April 17, 2025.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> RDT: Rapid Diagnostic Test.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Database, Departmental Health Directorates, April 2025.

## **Response activities**

### **Cholera**

#### **Epi Surveillance and case management**

- **117** suspected cases were admitted to the Cholera Treatment Center supported by MSF in Drouillard from April 1-15, 2025.
- **50** suspected cases were admitted to acute diarrhea treatment centers (CTDA, as per its acronym in French) supported by PAHO/WHO during the last Epi Week 15 (April 6-12, 2025).

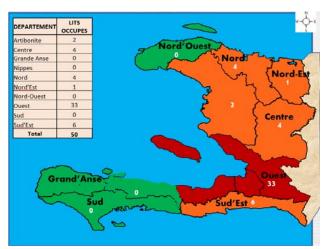


Figure 3: Suspected cholera cases admitted to CTDAs, Epi Week 15.10

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- With support from PAHO/WHO, the Health Directorate of the Ouest department conducted awareness sessions on water treatment and cholera prevention targeting 925 people in hotspot areas, including Juvenat 7 and MTPTC/Delmas 33 in the metropolitan area of Port-au-Prince. In addition, 31 persons received doxycycline chemoprophylaxis, 272 oral rehydration solutions (ORS) were distributed, and 22 households and 4 latrines were decontaminated.
- An epi-surveillance network has been established in 8 IDP sites, and 8 awareness sessions were conducted in Hinche, Centre department.

### **Displacement**

During EpiWeek 15 (April 6-12, 2025), a total of **30 808 internally displaced persons** were assisted across 63 IDP sites. Health Cluster partners -including PAHO/WHO, UNICEF, ALIMA, OIM, MDM Canada, IRC, UNFPA, ISPD, FADRHIS, MSF- provided services such as awareness sessions, clinical care, antenatal consultations, mental health and psychological support, referrals, deworming, vaccination, nutritional

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> Database, Departmental Health Directorates, April 2025

screening, and skilled birth attendance in health facilities and through mobile clinics despite challenges related to the US aid freeze, limited access, and insecurity, particularly in the metropolitan area of Portau-Prince.

# Gaps, constraints and priorities

### **Gaps and constraints**

- Access and security challenges continue to hinder health response efforts in the field.
- Critically insufficient water supply, poor hygiene conditions, and inadequate sanitation particularly in IDP sites- are exacerbating health risks.
- Epidemiological surveillance and cholera response remain limited in several IDP sites due to limited resources and restricted access.

#### **Priorities**

- Strengthen the humanitarian health response for internally displaced people in the Centre department.
- Scale up cholera response efforts nationwide, with a focus on hotspots and IDP sites.
- Improve water supply, hygiene, and sanitation conditions in IDP sites.
- Reinforce advocacy to mobilize additional resources, particularly for cholera response and health interventions targeting displaced populations.

