



HAITI – EARTHQUAKE AND CHOLERA

KEY DEVELOPMENTS

- On August 21, the Government of Haiti (GoH) Department of Civil Protection (DPC) issued a red alert and activated the National Emergency Response Center due to anticipated heavy rainfall and strong winds from Hurricane Irene. In response, a 21-person team from USAID’s Office of U.S. Foreign Disaster Assistance (USAID/OFDA), including 16 surge capacity consultants positioned throughout Haiti, worked in coordination with the GoH, the U.N. Stabilization Mission in Haiti (MINUSTAH), and international humanitarian organizations in Haiti to monitor the approaching storm and assist with preparedness and response efforts. Hurricane Irene passed over the northern coast of Haiti on August 23, causing isolated flooding but no significant damage. By August 25, the GoH and the international community had deactivated all coordination and response mechanisms. OFDA also deactivated its surge capacity consultants.
- According to the July 2011 International Organization for Migration (IOM) Displacement Tracking Matrix (DTM), nearly 595,000 people remain in 894 camps in earthquake-affected areas throughout Haiti, representing a six percent decrease in camp population since the May 2011 DTM report and a 61 percent decrease since the height of displacement in July 2010.
- As of September 1, USAID/OFDA grantees reported the completion of 28,135 transitional shelters (t-shelters) in Haiti, an increase of 570 shelters since the figure reported on August 1. From May 1, 2010—the start of USAID/OFDA’s t-shelter program—to September 1, 2011, USAID/OFDA grantees built an average of nearly 62 t-shelters per day. In addition, as of September 1, USAID/OFDA grantees had completed repairs to approximately 4,791 structures deemed “yellow” by habitability assessments—or safe for habitation following minor repairs—accommodating 6,818 households. The shelter repair figure represents an increase of 1,025 households since the figure reported on August 1.

EARTHQUAKE NUMBERS AT A GLANCE		Source
Estimated Deaths	316,000 ¹	GoH – January 14, 2011
Verified Number of Displaced Individuals in Settlements	594,811	IOM – July 31, 2011
Estimated Affected Population	3 million	U.N. – January 15, 2010

FY 2010 HUMANITARIAN FUNDING FOR THE EARTHQUAKE	
USAID/OFDA Assistance to Haiti for the Earthquake	\$367,588,999
USAID/FFP ² Assistance to Haiti for the Earthquake	\$188,117,461
USAID/OTI ³ Assistance to Haiti for the Earthquake	\$106,060,083
USAID/Haiti ⁴ Assistance to Haiti for the Earthquake	\$55,960,409
USAID/DR ⁵ Assistance to Haiti for the Earthquake	\$3,000,000
State/PRM ⁶ Assistance to Haiti for the Earthquake	\$14,599,690
DoD ⁷ Assistance to Haiti for the Earthquake	\$453,000,000

¹ Death estimates vary according to the source.

² USAID’s Office of Food for Peace (USAID/FFP)

³ USAID’s Office of Transition Initiatives (USAID/OTI)

⁴ USAID/Haiti figures represent funding spent during FY 2010 and FY 2011 as of August 12, 2011.

⁵ USAID/Dominican Republic (USAID/DR)

⁶ U.S. Department of State’s Bureau of Population, Refugees, and Migration (State/PRM)

⁷ U.S. Department of Defense (DoD)

FY 2011 HUMANITARIAN FUNDING FOR THE EARTHQUAKE	
USAID/OFDA Assistance to Haiti for the Earthquake	\$38,838,527
State/PRM Assistance to Haiti for the Earthquake	\$1,300,000

TOTAL FY 2010 AND FY 2011 HUMANITARIAN FUNDING PROVIDED TO DATE FOR THE EARTHQUAKE	
Total USAID/OFDA Assistance to Haiti for the Earthquake	\$406,427,526
Total USAID, State, and DoD Humanitarian Assistance to Haiti for the Earthquake	\$1,237,802,069

CHOLERA NUMBERS AT A GLANCE ⁸	
Overall Cholera Caseload	439,604
Hospitalized Cases	233,427
Deaths Due to Cholera	6,266
Overall CFR ⁹	1.4 percent

TOTAL FY 2010 AND FY 2011 HUMANITARIAN FUNDING PROVIDED TO DATE FOR CHOLERA	
Total USAID/OFDA Assistance to Haiti for Cholera	\$39,949,351
USAID/OTTI ¹⁰ Assistance to Haiti for Cholera	\$3,425,906
USAID/Haiti ¹¹ Assistance to Haiti for Cholera	\$2,195,032
CDC ¹² Assistance to Haiti for Cholera	\$29,900,000
Total USG ¹³ Humanitarian Assistance to Haiti for Cholera	\$75,470,289

Context

- On January 12, 2010, a magnitude 7.0 earthquake struck southern Haiti, with its epicenter located 10 miles southwest of the capital, Port-au-Prince. The earthquake killed an estimated 316,000 people and affected approximately 3 million others, according to the GoH. On January 13, U.S. Ambassador Kenneth H. Merten declared a disaster due to the effects of the earthquake. In response, the USG provided more than \$1.1 billion to meet humanitarian needs in Haiti in FY 2010, including more than \$720 million from USAID.
- In the year following the earthquake, humanitarian efforts met the immediate needs of earthquake-affected populations by providing safe drinking water, food, household items, shelter, sanitation facilities, and health services. USAID continues to work closely with other USG agencies, the GoH, international organizations, the U.N., and non-governmental organizations (NGOs) to coordinate ongoing efforts and facilitate the transition from emergency relief activities to recovery operations while addressing identified humanitarian needs.
- On October 22, 2010, Ambassador Merten issued a disaster declaration due to the cholera outbreak. USAID/OFDA's emergency cholera response plan focused on preventing cholera cases, reducing the number of cases requiring hospitalization, and reducing the CFR. The plan included four elements: provision of chlorine to increase the availability of safe drinking water, expansion of national hygiene education outreach, provision of medical supplies and sachets of oral rehydration salts, and an increase in the number of cholera treatment facilities (CTFs), particularly in underserved and rural areas. USAID/OFDA recognizes that cholera will likely remain present in Haiti for several years and that the current rainy and hurricane seasons may cause additional caseload spikes.
- USAID/OFDA program office staff remain in Haiti to monitor the evolving humanitarian situation, enhance coordination, and monitor ongoing USAID/OFDA-funded response activities for both cholera and the earthquake. USAID/OFDA is working closely with USAID/Haiti, USAID/OTTI, CDC, and the humanitarian community to coordinate efforts and facilitate a smooth transition from emergency relief activities to development programming.

⁸ Figures as reported by the GoH Ministry of Public Health and Population on August 29, 2011.

⁹ Case Fatality Rate (CFR)

¹⁰ Total USAID/OTTI funding includes both direct cholera-related programs and programs with some cholera-related outputs.

¹¹ USAID/Haiti has pre-existing, long-term health programs that have been an integral part of the cholera response; USAID/Haiti funding also continues to support pre-cholera health activities. The USAID/Haiti funding levels represent estimated amounts for one month of FY 2010 resources expended on the cholera response. USAID/Haiti figures represent funding spent during FY 2011 as of August 12, 2011.

¹² U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

¹³ U.S. Government (USG)

Shelter and Settlements

- Between May and July 2011, 119 camps for internally displaced persons (IDPs) closed; however, 12 were subsequently reoccupied, newly identified, or newly established due to IDPs arriving from other locations, according to IOM. Camp closures have not significantly affected large sites, those hosting more than 500 families, where 58 percent of IDPs reside. However, the number of small sites—those hosting 99 or fewer households—decreased by 10 percent; the number of medium sites—those hosting 100 to 499 households—decreased by 14 percent. IOM notes that small sites comprise 72 percent of the total number identified sites, yet host only 14 percent of total IDP households.
- In addition to the challenges of living in camps, one-fifth of IDPs face the threat of eviction from camps. More than 67,000 people have been evicted from camps as of July 31, 2011, according to IOM.
- IOM released its Phase Two Registration Mid-Year Report in July 2011, covering October 2010 to June 2011. According to the report, approximately 65 percent of the 41,500 IDP households surveyed reported residing in the same commune as their place of origin. The report also indicates that 19 percent of IDP households surveyed owned property prior to displacement. Ten percent of homeowners, or nearly 4,000 households, have the means to repair damaged homes, while 9 percent, or nearly 3,600 households, do not.
- Rubble remains a major impediment to recovery in earthquake-affected areas by obstructing physical access to neighborhoods and preventing the use of land for t-shelters. In addition, the presence of rubble reduces opportunities to repair “yellow” houses and impedes access for heavy machinery to demolish unsafe buildings. On August 29, USAID/OFDA staff visited rubble removal sites managed by the J/P Haitian Relief Organization (J/P HRO), a sub-awardee of USAID/OFDA grantee CHF International, to observe the effectiveness of cash-for-production programs. J/P HRO activities take place at 32 sites in areas inaccessible to mechanized rubble removal.
- To date in FY 2011, USAID/OFDA has provided nearly \$28 million for shelter and settlement programs throughout Haiti that aim to construct or repair shelters and facilitate the return of IDPs to their areas of origin. For example, through the Pan American Development Foundation (PADF), USAID/OFDA supports the repair of “yellow” houses. As of September 1, PADF had utilized USAID funding to repair 3,691 partially damaged structures, allowing an additional 5,710 households to re-occupy their houses in Port-au-Prince.

Health

- On August 25, USAID/OFDA staff and the CDC’s Water, Hygiene, and Sanitation (WASH) Advisor met to discuss current activities in Haiti. According to CDC, the U.N. Children’s Fund’s (UNICEF) WASH Cluster coordination team plans to depart Haiti by December 2011, after which the GoH National Directorate for Potable Water and Sanitation’s (DINEPA) may assume WASH Cluster leadership functions.
- As of August 17, the Pan American Health Organization (PAHO) reported 237 functioning CTFs throughout Haiti’s 10 departments, a 3.5 percent increase over the number of CTFs reported on July 18. Approximately 766 oral rehydration points (ORPs) remain functional throughout Haiti, an 11 percent decrease over the number of ORPs reported on July 18.
- USAID/OFDA continues to closely monitor cholera rates and WASH conditions during hurricane season. To date in FY 2011, USAID/OFDA has funded nearly \$7 million for cholera-related WASH activities and more than \$3 million for earthquake-related WASH activities throughout Haiti.
- Through IOM, USAID/OFDA continues to pre-position cholera-related commodities in seven warehouses throughout Haiti. In Northwest Department, IOM recently distributed commodities for the treatment and prevention of cholera from its Port-de-Paix warehouse to affected populations in northern Haiti.

Hurricane Season Preparation

- Throughout the month of August, the GoH actively prepared for tropical storms and hurricanes. On August 17, the DPC released the GoH National Contingency Plan for the 2011 hurricane season. The plan describes the coordination systems within the GoH and between the GoH and the international community. The DPC estimates that 300,000 people could be affected during this year’s hurricane season. In addition, on August 18, representatives from eight communes in Port-au-Prince’s metropolitan area, including three mayors, met with DPC officials and representatives from international agencies, including IOM, to discuss storm procedures and maintenance of hurricane evacuation sites previously identified by IOM assessments.
- USAID/OFDA continues hurricane preparation and mitigation efforts, in coordination with its grantees, the GoH, and the international community, including through recent meetings with staff from CARE, the U.N.

World Food Program (WFP), MINUSTAH, and UNICEF to discuss hurricane preparedness and response capabilities. USAID/OFDA staff continue to monitor storms threatening Haiti and remain in regular contact with the DPC and other GoH officials, humanitarian organizations, and USAID/OFDA staff based at U.S. Southern Command (SOUTHCOM) in Miami, Florida. The USAID/OFDA warehouse in Miami is fully stocked with emergency relief supplies that are available for immediate transport to Haiti, if needed.

International Humanitarian Assistance

- The Interim Haiti Recovery Commission (IHRC) recently invited government agencies, international organizations, and national and local NGOs to submit proposals related to IHRC's priority sectors: debris removal, neighborhood return and housing reconstruction, education, energy, health, and WASH. In addition, on August 16, the IHRC approved a project submitted by the Office of the President of Haiti to rehabilitate 16 priority districts in metropolitan Port-au-Prince, including Delmas and Pétion-Ville. The project intends to facilitate the return of more than 5,000 displaced households, or approximately 25,000 individuals, residing in IDP camps to their neighborhoods of origin through the rehabilitation of housing, access to basic services, and creation of income-generating opportunities. The project also aims to facilitate the voluntary resettlement of more than 5,200 households, or approximately 30,000 people, from six targeted IDP camps in priority neighborhoods of origin.
- On August 22, the European Commission Humanitarian Aid and Civil Protection Department (ECHO) announced a commitment of nearly \$8 million for disaster risk reduction activities benefitting nearly 1.3 million people in Haiti's Artibonite, Nippes, Southeast, and West departments. ECHO-funded programs will focus on reducing risk for the most vulnerable beneficiaries and will aim to limit the negative impact of natural disasters by improving local response capacity.

**FY 2011 USAID AND STATE HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO HAITI
FOR THE EARTHQUAKE**

FY 2011			
Implementing Partner	Activity	Location	Amount
USAID/OFDA ASSISTANCE¹			
American Refugee Committee (ARC)	Shelter and Settlements	West Department	\$1,924,875
CHF International	Health, WASH, Shelter and Settlements	Port-au-Prince	\$16,705,583
DoD	Logistics and Relief Commodities	Affected Areas	\$858,806
GOAL	Economic Recovery and Market Systems, Shelter and Settlements, WASH	Port-au-Prince	\$2,449,449
IOM	Shelter and Settlements	Affected Areas	\$3,006,255
Medair/SWI	Economic Recovery and Market Systems, Shelter and Settlements	Southeast Department	\$2,055,784
MENTOR Initiative	Health	Port-au-Prince, Petit Goâve, Grand Goâve, Léogâne, West Department, and Jacmel, Southeast Department	\$685,661
PADF	Shelter and Settlements	Port-au-Prince	\$4,000,000
Partners in Health (PIH)	Health	Port-au-Prince	\$1,731,766
Première Urgence (PU)	Economic Recovery and Market Systems, Shelter and Settlements, WASH	Port-au-Prince	\$790,000
U.N. Development Program (UNDP)	Humanitarian Coordination and Information Management	Port-au-Prince	\$77,393
US Geological Survey (USGS)	Natural and Technological Risks		\$298,000
World Concern Development Organization (WCDO)	Shelter and Settlements, WASH	Port-au-Prince	\$2,983,702
	Logistics and Relief Commodities		\$499,705
	Administrative/DART Support		\$771,548
TOTAL USAID/OFDA			\$38,838,527
STATE/PRM ASSISTANCE			
The Office of the U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR)	Protection and Assistance to IDPs and Host Communities	Haiti–Dominican Republic Border	\$1,300,000
TOTAL STATE/PRM			\$1,300,000
TOTAL USAID AND STATE TO HAITI IN FY 2011			\$40,138,527

¹ USAID/OFDA funding represents anticipated or actual obligated amounts as of September 8, 2011.

FY 2011 USG HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO HAITI FOR CHOLERA

FY 2011			
Implementing Partner	Activity	Location	Amount
USAID/OFDA ASSISTANCE¹			
Action Contre la Faim (ACF)	WASH	Artibonite, Northwest Departments	\$925,000
ARC	Health, WASH	West Department	\$1,144,166
CARE	Health, WASH	Grand Anse Department	\$985,481
Catholic Relief Services (CRS)	Health	Artibonite, Grand Anse, Nippes, North, Northwest, South, West Departments	\$1,417,527
CDC	Health	Affected Areas	\$275,000
Center for International Studies and Cooperation (CECI)	WASH	Artibonite Department	\$400,096
Concern	WASH	Center, West Departments	\$624,942
Fairfax County Fire Department	Logistics and Relief Commodities	Affected Areas	\$23,275
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)	Logistics and Relief Commodities	Affected Areas	\$500,000
International Medical Corps (IMC)	Health, WASH	Artibonite, Center, North, Northeast, Northwest, South, Southeast, West Departments	\$7,285,583
IOM	Health, Logistics and Relief Commodities	Artibonite, North, Northeast, Northwest, Southeast, West Departments	\$4,600,000
IOM	Logistics and Relief Commodities	Affected Areas	\$7,800,000
L.A. County Fire Department	Logistics and Relief Commodities	Affected Areas	\$213,137
Management Sciences for Health (MSH)	Health	Affected Areas	\$825,617
Mercy Corps	WASH	Center Department	\$925,013

PIH	Health, WASH	Artibonite, Center, West Departments	\$1,500,000
Samaritan's Purse (SP)	Health, Logistics and Relief Commodities, WASH	West Department	\$2,869,431
Save the Children (SC)	Health, WASH	West Department	\$825,000
WCDO	Health	West Department	\$364,180
OCHA	Humanitarian Coordination and Information Management	Affected Areas	\$1,000,000
World Health Organization (WHO) / PAHO	Health	Affected Areas	\$635,580
	Logistics and Relief Commodities	Affected Areas	\$4,554,100
	Administrative/DART Support		\$256,223
TOTAL USAID/OFDA			\$39,949,351
USAID/OTI ASSISTANCE			
Implementing Partners	Health, Logistics and Relief Commodities, WASH, Media and Awareness, Public Outreach	Affected Areas	\$3,425,906
TOTAL USAID/OTI			\$3,425,906
CDC ASSISTANCE			
Implementing Partners	Health, WASH, Relief Commodities	Affected Areas	\$29,900,000
TOTAL CDC			\$29,900,000
USAID/HAITI ASSISTANCE²			
Community Health and AIDS Mitigation Project (CHAMP)	Community Health Services	Countrywide	\$198,000
Leadership, Management, and Sustainability Program (LMS)	Logistics and Relief Commodities	Countrywide	\$185,000
PROMARK	Health, Public Outreach	Countrywide	\$232,000
Supply Chain Management System (SCMS)	Logistics and Relief Commodities	Countrywide	\$780,032
Health for the Development and Stability of Haiti (SDSH)	Essential Health Services	Countrywide	\$800,000
TOTAL USAID/HAITI			\$2,195,032
TOTAL USG HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO HAITI FOR CHOLERA			\$75,470,289

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PUBLIC DONATION INFORMATION

- The most effective way people can assist relief efforts is by making cash contributions to humanitarian organizations that are conducting relief operations. A list of humanitarian organizations that are accepting cash donations for cholera efforts in Haiti can be found at www.interaction.org. Information on organizations responding to the humanitarian situation in Haiti may be available at www.reliefweb.int.
- USAID encourages cash donations because they allow aid professionals to procure the exact items needed (often in the affected region); reduce the burden on scarce resources (such as transportation routes, staff time, and warehouse space); can be transferred very quickly and without transportation costs; support the economy of the disaster-stricken region; and ensure culturally, dietary, and environmentally appropriate assistance.
- More information can be found at:
 - USAID: www.usaid.gov – Keyword: Donations
 - The Center for International Disaster Information: www.cidi.org or (202) 821.1999.
 - Information on relief activities of the humanitarian community can be found at www.reliefweb.int