

Humanity Road – Special Medical Report

Activation: Hurricane Matthew

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Highlights

Southern Haiti had effectively been cut off after the bridge linking it to the capital, Port-au-Prince, collapsed. As of Thursday afternoon the bridge is partially passable, though still unfit for large-scale aid deliveries. The deputy mayor of the southern coastal town of Les Cayes described the scene there as "catastrophic". 750,000 people are estimated to be in need of humanitarian assistance. An estimated 1.3 million people have been affected by Hurricane Matthew. ([source](#))

We have collected medical highlights on relief and needs by location and include them in the following report. A Cholera heat map prepared by Andrew Schroeder Director of Research and Analysis at Direct Relief using statistics reported to Reliefweb as of Oct 3.

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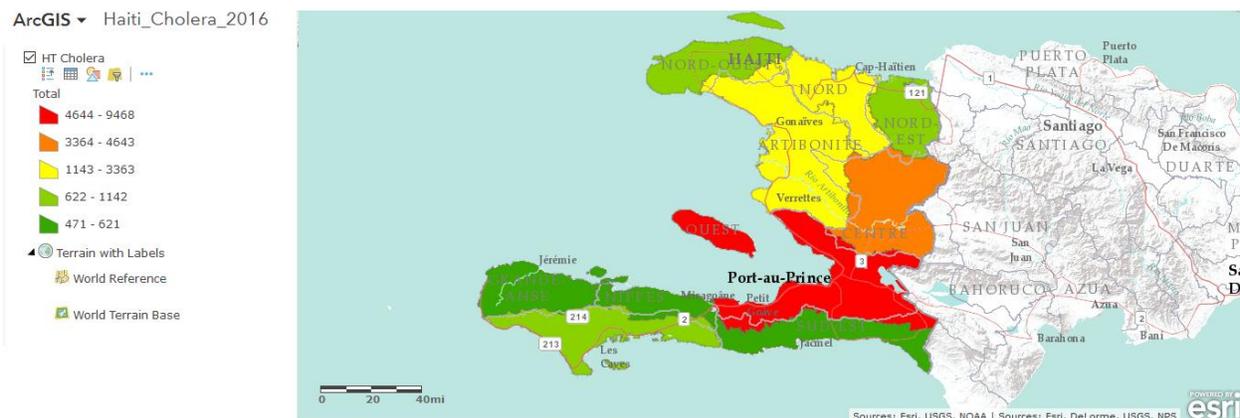
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Cholera

- UNICEF reported 10 cases of cholera in Gonaïves. [Source](#) & [Source2](#)
- Map of Current Cholera - Data posted on ReliefWeb - Cholera cases in Haiti by epidemiological week in 2016. Last updated October 3, 2016, published by Andrew Schroeder Director of Research and Analysis at Direct Relief. No special restrictions or limitations on using the item's content have been provided. ESRI map layer is located here: <http://arcg.is/2dG6KA5>



Medical & Sanitation Deployments

- **Action Against Hunger** teams assessing the situation, delivering vital family nutrition and health services, rehabilitating water points to provide people with daily access to clean drinking water. UNICEF reported 10 cases of cholera in Gonaïves. [Source](#) & [Source2](#)
- **Americares** supplies destined for the Hope for Haiti clinic in Les Cayes arrived in Haiti." ([Source](#))
- **USAID** for #Haiti will focus on water and sanitation to help prevent spread of cholera, says @Dave_Harden ([Source](#)) #HurricaneMatthew
- **Water Mission** has 18 safe water treatment systems ready to deploy in Haiti. [Source](#)
- **Haiti Air Ambulance** and **Innovating Health International** medical teams visited six hospitals in the South. There were no medical emergencies in Les Cayes, Jeremie, and Port-Salut. The hospitals are functioning and the patients are mostly run of the mill illnesses independent of the hurricane. The bad news is that there was massive destruction of homes, especially between Port-Salut

and Dame Marie. We were unable to land and make medical assessments in Port-a-Piment, Chardonnières, and Les Anglais. [Source](#)

- **Humedica** has deployed 6 medical and logistical personnel to assess the situation in Haiti. [Source](#)
- **Project HOPE** has deployed to assess medical needs in Haiti. [Source](#)
- **Canadian Red Cross** is responding, with two Canadians deployed to join Red Cross teams stationed in Haiti, and aid supplies sent including tarps and blankets. [Source](#)
- **Handicap International** Team assessing damages and population needs. [Source](#)
- **Heart to Heart International** is sending a Team of 10 Doctors/Nurses/"experts" to Haiti. Already have 130 local staff + some supplies in Haiti. [Source](#)
- **ISAR Germany** is deploying an advance team of 6 members carrying basic medical equipment to care for 500 people for multiple days. Doctors/ Nurses/ Paramedics are on standby to deploy if needed and to set up a basic clinic. [Source](#)
- **MAP International** and **Hope for Haiti, IRT** is airlifting a shipment of medical supplies worth over seven million dollars to Haiti. The shipment includes critical medicines such as antibiotics and analgesics to treat immediate medical emergencies and oral rehydration salts in preparation for a potential cholera outbreak, a disease that often plagues the country after natural disasters. [Source](#)
- **MSF** - four teams from Doctors Without Borders/Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF) are assessing the needs at medical facilities and affected communities in five departments of the country: Grande Anse, Sud, Nippes, Artibonite and Nord-Ouest. An MSF team is currently traveling by road in the Artibonite and Nord-Ouest departments to assess existing health facilities, with a focus on needs related to water, sanitation and displacement. An MSF team reached Nippes department last evening to begin assessing the needs, providing basic medical care and responding to cholera as needed. People are beginning to arrive at local hospitals, many with injuries to their feet and legs that are starting to become infected. The MSF team provided first aid to wounded hurricane survivors and donated medical supplies to treat wounds at the General Hospital of Les Cayes. The hospital is expecting to see a rise in the number of patients in the coming days. ([source](#))
- **International Medical Corps'** team in Haiti is scaling up response capacity, the emergency response experts are making their way to Haiti's southwestern peninsula: responding to water, sanitation, and hygiene support needs, main issue being Cholera. [Source](#) & [Source2](#)

- **Medic Samaritan** team on the ground. Recovery and restoration plan beginning in Beloc, then to Camatin, and Decouze will travel door to door in each community to assess damage, and care for any immediate life threats. Sanitary education will be offered in hopes of combating a surge of cholera, or other food/water borne diseases.
- **Operation Blessing:** "We sent medicine and 50 gallons of chlorine to St. Boniface Hospital in Fond-des-Blancs, which made an immediate impact. OB Haiti also delivered chlorine ..." [Source](#)

Location Needs

Grand'Anse, [Jérémie](#):

- Oct 7 Two main hospitals (Jérémie and Dame Marie) are not currently in operation. [Source](#)
- Oct 7 The ACTED team in Jérémie affirms that the clean water supply has been completely destroyed and energy has been cut off in the city. [Source](#)
- Oct 7 The peds ward was flooded but they had no children requiring hospitalization. They seemed to be nearing desperation for food and water already." [Source](#)
- Oct 6 [Video](#) of Jeremie Hospital

Grand'Anse, Anse d'Hainault, [Dame Marie](#):

- Oct 7 The hospital in Dame Marie is out of operation. [Source](#)

Nippes, (Capital) Miragoâne:

- HOPE Clinic, the only clinic in the area sustained severe damage. (photos) [Source](#)

Sud, Aquin, [Cavaillon](#):

- Oct 8 Action Humanitaire - clinic is destroyed and needs medicines and a solution to store. ([Source](#) Private email, contact Humanity Road for POC if you can assist)

Sud, Les Cayes, [Chantal](#):

- Oct 8 Clinic damaged, patients who spilled out onto the sidewalk said no doctors or nurses had been seen since before the disaster.. [Source](#)
- Oct 6 l'Hôpital Immaculée de conception des Cayes and Ofatma hospital. They're both operational with doctors, nurses, and supplies. They each only had a dozen patients of normal acuity. Both seem to have the normal shortage of meds and supplies, but nothing out of the ordinary for public hospitals in Haiti. Dr. Domercant, the Director, has not heard of pressing need in the South but he feared that they couldn't get there because the roads were washed out." [Source](#)

Sud, Côteaux, Port-à-Piment

- The hospital needs help and supplies. Plantations have been destroyed and many houses damaged. (*Déjà dépourvu de tout, l'hôpital de référence de Port-à-Piment ne dispose actuellement même pas d'une paire de gants. Les malades aux abois comptent leurs dernières heures. Face à cela, Jean Raymond Pierre-Louis, le maire de la ville, lance un appel à l'aide. Affaissée : c'est le mot utilisé par le maire principal de la commune de Port-à-Piment, pour décrire la ville dont il est le premier citoyen. Les plantations décimées, les toitures des maisons emportées, les tronçons de route défoncés, ...*) [Source](#)

Sud, Port Salut:

- Oct 6: "Despite the massive destruction of nearly 90% of the buildings, there were very few injuries. We asked around town and it seems that there were 20-30 deaths, but it was hard to gauge. The hospital had lots of lacerations and soft tissue injuries but only two orthopedic patients, no sick children, no women with complicated labor, etc. The staff was aptly handling what they had and we'll transport one of the ortho patients tomorrow. They need sutures, lidocaine, gauze, and antibiotics. We left them some of all that. They will need tetanus immunoglobulin. They are hungry but have water." [Source](#)

Sud, Belle Anse:

- Oct 6: The health center in Belle Anse is out of service and cannot provide medical care. [Source](#)