

Flow Monitoring on 50 Border Crossing Points between Haiti and the Dominican Republic

HAITI - WEEKLY SITREP - 06 JULY TO 12 JULY 2020

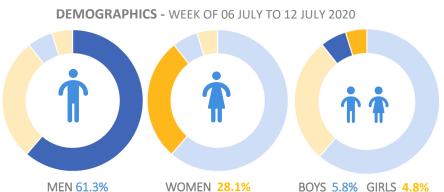
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CONTEXT

The COVID-19 outbreak first reported in the People's Republic of China in late 2019 was declared a pandemic by the World Health Organisation (WHO) on 11 March 2020. As of 12 July, approximately 12,553,000 confirmed cases had been reported in 195 countries, areas or territories according to WHO and the neighboring country Dominican Republic already reported that 45,506 individuals tested positive to the virus and 903 died from the disease. On 20 March, the first two cases were confirmed in Haiti and the country remains at high risk of rapid contagion given the weak health system, the proximity and porous border with Dominican Republic and the limited external connections now possible. In response, the Government of Haiti has communicated many important instructions to minimize the spread of the disease, particularly: closure of schools and factories, closure of airports and ports to passengers, banning of meetings of more than 10 people, nationwide curfew between 20:00 and 5:00 and plea for social distancing guidelines to be respected. Some of these restrictions were lifted or modified by the Haitian government as of 30 June 2020. At present, 6,727 cases of infection, 141 deaths and 3,022 recoveries have been confirmed in Haiti.

IOM has adapted its ongoing Displacement Tracking Matrix (DTM) initiative along the Haiti—Dominican Republic border to support the ongoing preparedness and response. The Flow Monitoring initiative is being carried out in 50 Border Crossing Points between Haiti and the Dominican Republic: 46 unofficial points and 4 official points in collaboration with the Support Group for the Repatriated and Refugees (GARR in French), Jesuit Services to Migrants (SJM in French) and Jano Siksè Border Network (RFJS in Haitian Creole).



WEEKLY FIGURES - 06 JULY TO 12 JULY 2020

15,389 Total cross border movements observed

3,061 going to the Dominican Republic

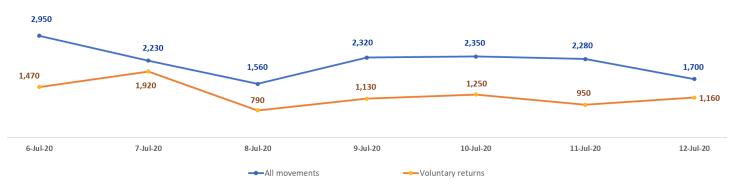
12,328 going to Haiti

of movements to Haiti are voluntary returns

BREAKDOWN OF VOLUNTARY RETURNS PER BORDER LOCATION - WEEK OF 6 JULY TO 12 JULY 2020

Département	Commune	06-Jul-20	07-Jul-20	08-Jul-20	09-Jul-20	10-Jul-20	11-Jul-20	12-Jul-20	Total per loca- tion
Nord-Est	Ouanaminthe	1,080	1,114	470	469	729	483	812	5,137
Centre	Belladère	169	477	149	492	337	274	200	2,098
Ouest	Malpasse	98	235	117	116	97	139	101	903
Ouest	Cornillon	34	26	25	27	23	31	16	182
Ouest	Fonds-Verettes	42	49	32	30	65	20	31	269
Sud-Est	Anse-à-Pitres	50	23	-	-	2	-	-	75
Total	per date	1,473	1,924	793	1,134	1,253	947	1,160	8,684

CROSS BORDER MOVEMENTS AT THE BORDER FROM 06 JULY to 12 JULY 2020 (ROUNDED FIGURES)



Please note that the figures above take into account all types of movements (forced, voluntary, daily etc.) observed along the monitored entry points. They do not replace official numbers but rather aim to provide insight on movements trends and patterns observed at the border.

In addition, these figures represent the data entered at the time of the report. Information is being entered consistently and figures updated as the information becomes available.



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CUMULATIVE FIGURES FROM 17 MARCH 2020

352,108

141,320

210,788

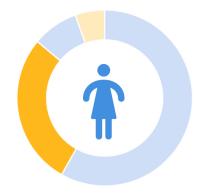
Cumulative movements observed on border crossing points from 17 March to 12 July 2020.

Cumulative movements observed from Haiti to the Dominican Republic from 17 March to 12 July 2020. Cumulative movements observed from the Dominican Republic to Haiti from 17 March to 12 July 2020.

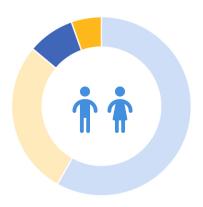
DEMOGRAPHICS SINCE ONSET OF COVID-19 IN HAITI - from 17 MARCH TO 112 JULY 2020



MEN 58.2%

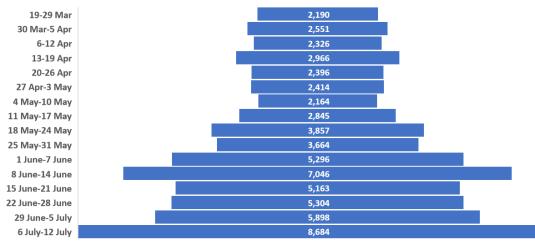


WOMEN 27.9%



BOYS 8.5% GIRLS 5.4%

VOLUNTARY RETURNS FROM 17 MARCH TO 12 JULY 2020

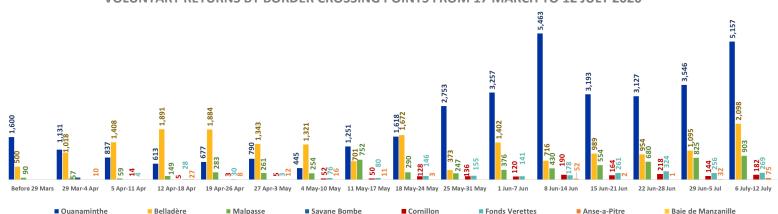


VOLUNTARY RETURNS

64,764

Voluntary Returns observed at the border from 17 March to 12 July 2020.

VOLUNTARY RETURNS BY BORDER CROSSING POINTS FROM 17 MARCH TO 12 JULY 2020





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REPATRIATIONS

The migration of Haitians remains one of the most complex and challenging in the region. It is estimated that there are more than 1.2 million persons Haitian migrants across the world (MPI 2017), most in United States of America, Canada, France, the Bahamas and Dominican Republic, among others. Haiti also remains highly exposed to natural disasters such as earthquakes and hurricanes. Adding to these challenges, the country's continuous socio-economic issues caused by political turmoil have consistently caused instability, widespread poverty, risks of epidemies among others. These factors combined contribute to exacerbate the country's vulnerability thus directly driving irregular migration flows.

In line with this, IOM is monitoring other movements and migratory flows outside of Haiti, particularly those observed towards northern countries such as the Bahamas, Turks and Caicos and United States of America. Indeed, as increased movements and repatriations of Haitian migrants from the Northern part of Haiti (Nord-Ouest, Nord and Nord-Est) have been observed for the better part of 2019 and early 2020, IOM's flow monitoring teams will continue to track all trends that may also affect movements toward the Dominican Republic.

CUMULATIVE FIGURES FROM 2018

2,239

1,583

646

Repatriations as of 2018

Repatriations by air as of 2018

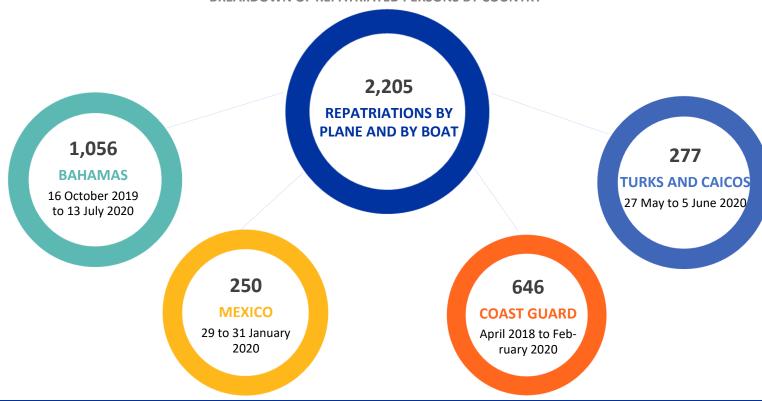
Repatriations by boat as of 2018

DEMOGRAPHICS OF REPATRIATED PERSONS BY COUNTRY

•	Bahamas	Mexico	Coast-Guard	Turks and Caicos
T	76%	68%	81%	92%
	24%	32%	19%	8%

In this context, "Coast Guard" refers to migrants apprehended at sea in the Bahamas, Turks and Caicos and the United States and repatriated by the Coast Guard.

BREAKDOWN OF REPATRIATED PERSONS BY COUNTRY





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FLOWMINDER—INTERNAL DISPLACEMENT

To further complement the displacement information captured by the Flow Monitoring initiative, IOM Haiti has partnered with the international Non-profit Organization Flowminder, to further understand the mobility within the country following COVID-19. Flowminder uses and analyses anonymized and aggregated data from one of the Mobile Network Operators in Haiti—Digicel—to comprehend mobility patterns of populations in order to support decision making in crises situation such as the COVID-19 pandemic.

Given that large-scale changes in mobility are both a cause and an effect of the pandemic, Flowminder analyzes the effect of population's mobility on the speed and patterns of the epidemic. Moreover, the data collected through Mobile Network Operators will assess how government interventions such as travel restrictions, curfews, closure of public places, banning of gatherings among others, as well as how social and economic shifts caused by the epidemic affect mobility patterns and alter distributions of populations.

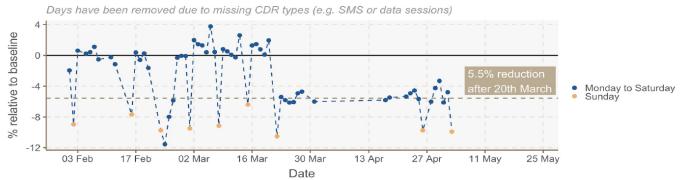
REPORT 1—MAIN RESULTS

Changes in mobility of active phone numbers have been observed, particularly:

- Reduction have been observed in the number of daily visitors to densely populated centers (city centers, town centers and main border crossing points) after 20 March.
- No significant changes were observed in most regions, however slight increases were observed in residential and sparsely populated regions.
- In addition, countrywide mobility had also reduced as a reduction of the number of localities visited on average per mobile phone user has also been observed after 20 March.

CHANGES IN THE AVERAGE NUMBER OF LOCATIONS VISITED PER SUBCRIBER (FLOWMINDER - REPORT

Changes in the average number of locations visited per subscriber



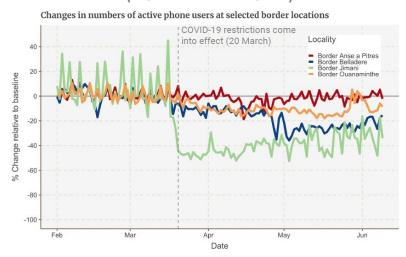
REPORT 2—MAIN RESULTS

Changes in visitor numbers have been observed from 20 March to 30 April, particularly:

- Reduction of movements have been observed near border crossing points and along the roads leading to the official border crossing points of Ouanaminthe, Belladère and Malpasse. No reduction observed for Anse-a-Pitre.
- A decrease has been observed in commercial districts while
 users have increased in residential and remote areas. These
 observed trends may partially reflect diminished visits to
 workplaces as well as possible relocations from urban to
 rural areas as an increase in phone usage in rural areas has
 also been observed.

Decreases observed and highlighted on the first report remain consistent in the second report.

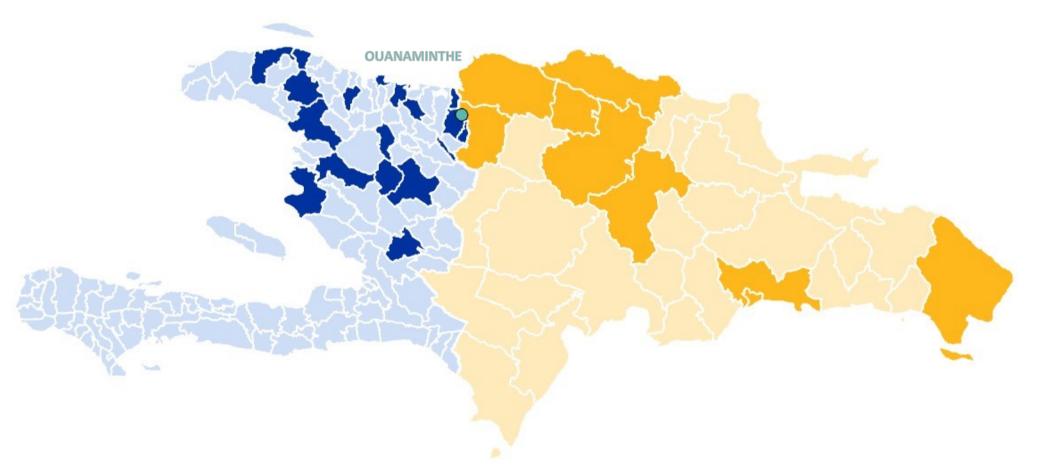
CHANGES IN VISITOR NUMBERS AT BORDER POINTS (FLOWMINDER - REPORT 2)



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Origin in Dominican Republic

Santiago, Puerto Plata, Santo Domingo, Montecristi, Dajabon, Distrito Nacional, La Vega, Valverde, Altagracia

Destination in Haiti: Département	Destination in Haiti: Commune
Nord-Ouest	Port-de-Paix, Saint Louis du Nord
Nord	Cap-Haitien, Limbé, Saint-Raphael, Limonade
Nord-Est	Ouanaminthe, Capotille, Trou du Nord, Ferrier, Carice
Artibonite	Gonaives, Saint-Marc, Marchand-Dessalines, Gros Mrone
Centre	Hinche, Mirebalais, Maissade

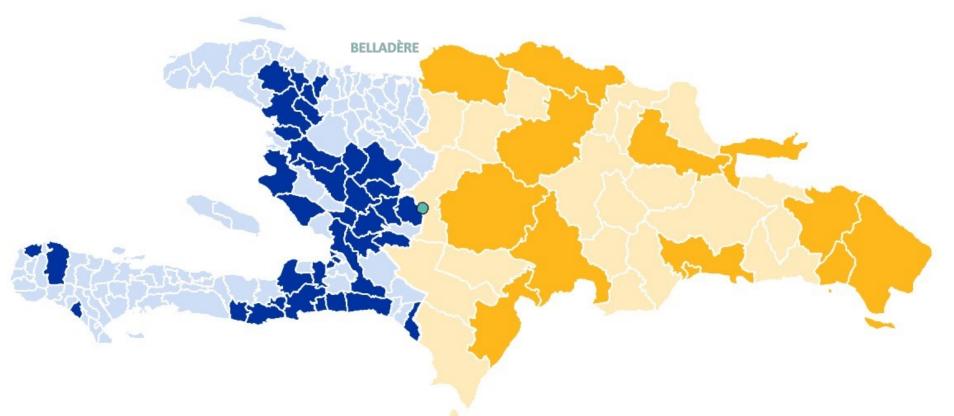
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ORIGIN AND DESTINATION OF VOLUNTARY RETURNS BY BORDER CROSSING POINT—WEEK OF 06 JULY TO 12 JULY 2020 - BELLADÈRE



Origin in Dominican Republic

Santiago, La Romana, Duarte, Azua, Santo Domingo, Altagracia, San Juan, Distrito Nacional, Samana, Montecristi, Puerto Plata, El Seybo, Barahona

Destination in Haiti: Département	Destination in Haiti: Commune
Nord	Plaisance, Limbé, Pilate
	Gonaives, Thomonde, Saint-Marc, Gros Morne, L'Estere, Ennery, Marchand-Dessalines, Petite Rivère de
Artibonite	l'Artibonite
Centre	Saut d'Eau, Mirebalais, Belladère, Hinche, Lascahobas, Maissade, Boucan Carré
	Port-au-Prince, Delmas, Carrefour, Léogane, Arcahaie, Cornillon/Grand Bois, Thomazeau, Croix-des-
Ouest	Bouquets, Cité Soleil
Sud	Côteaux
Sud-Est	Jacmel, Bainet, Belle-Anse, Marigot, Anse-à-Pitre, Côtes-de-Fer, La Vallée, Cayes-Jacmel
Grande' Anse	Jérémie, Abricots

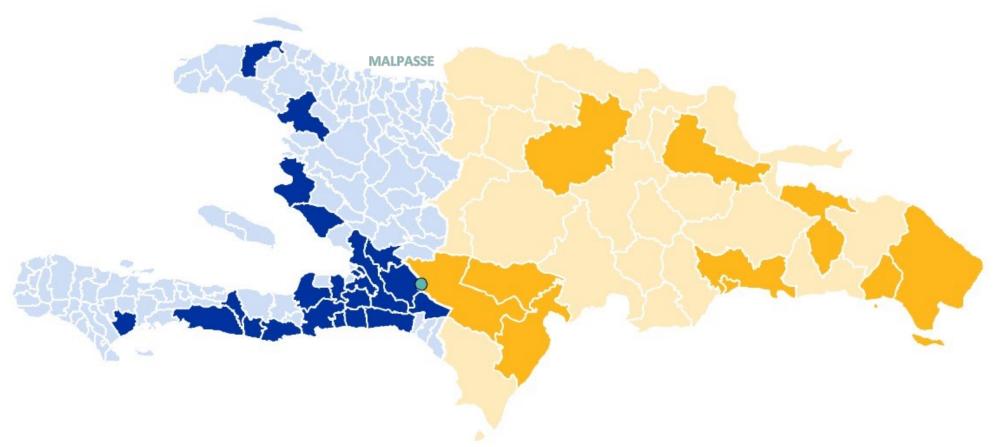
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Origin in Dominican Republic

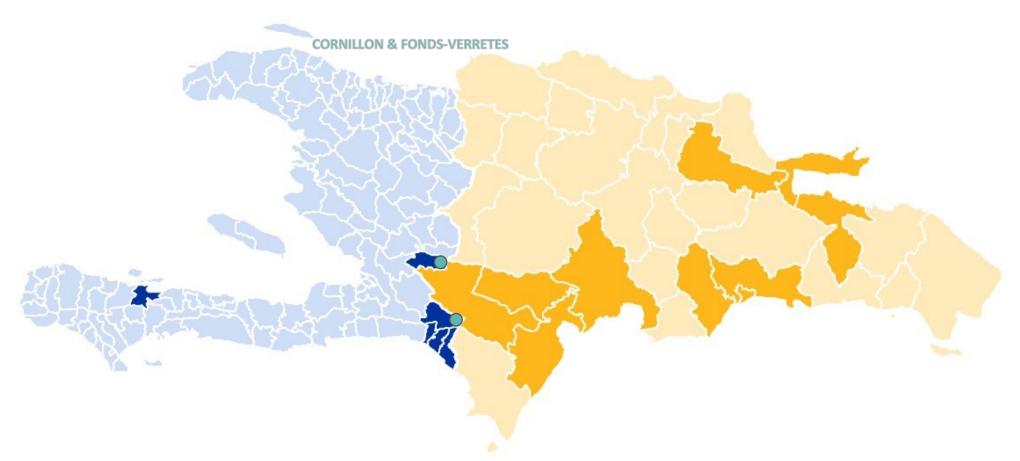
Santo Domingo, Distrito Nacional, Santiago, La Romana, Independencia, La Altagracia, Bahoruco, Duarte, Barahona, Hato Mayor

Destination in Haiti: Département	Destination in Haiti: Commune
Nord-Ouest	Port-de-Paix
Artibonite	Saint-Marc, Gonaives
	Delmas, Arcahaie, Tabarre, Pétion-Ville, Fonds-Verrettes, Croix-des-Bouquets, Léogane, Ganthier,
Ouest	Kenscoff, Carrefour, Thomazeau
Sud-Est	Jacmel, Marigot, Belle-Anse, Bainet, Cayes-Jacmel
Sud	Les Cayes, Aquin, Cotes de Fer
Nippes	Miragoane

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Origin in Dominican Republic

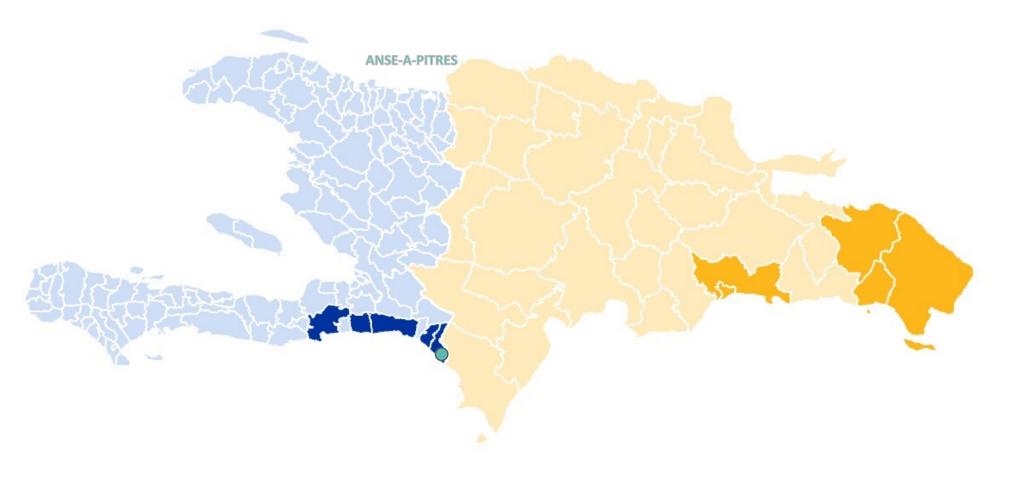
Barahona, La Descubierta, Independencia, Bahoruco, Duarte, Azua, San Cristobal, Samana, Santo Domingo, Distrito Nacional, Hato Mayor

Destination in Haiti: Département	Destination in Haiti: Commune
Ouest	Fonds-Verrettes, Cornillon/Grand-Bois
Nippes	Baradères
Sud-Est	Grand-Gosier, Thiotte, Anse-à-Pitre

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Origin in Dominican Republic			
Duarte, Barahona, Santo Domingo, Distrito Nacional, La Romana, Monte Plata, San Pedro de Macoris, El Seybo			
Destination in Haiti: Département	Destination in Haiti: Commune		
Sud-Est	Belle-Anse, Jacmel, Marigot, Anse-à-Pitres, Thiotte		