

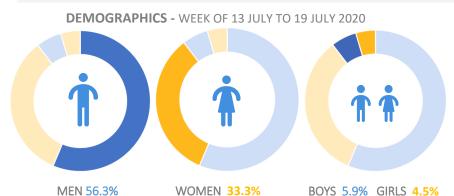
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#### **CONTEXT**

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 19 July, approximately 14,043,000 confirmed cases had been reported in 195 countries, areas or territories according to WHO and the neighboring country Dominican Republic already reported that 53,956 individuals tested positive to the virus and 993 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, 7,100 cases of infection, 151 deaths and 4,095 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 - 13 JULY TO 19 JULY 2020

18,799 Tot

Total cross border movements observed

5,308

going to the Dominican Republic

13,491

going to Haiti

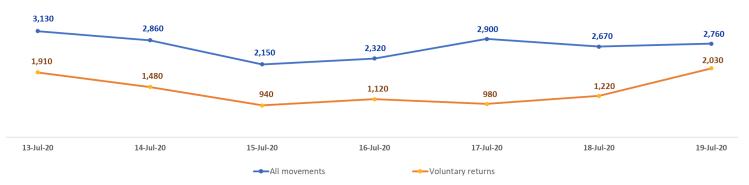
9,679

of movements to Haiti are voluntary returns

#### BREAKDOWN OF VOLUNTARY RETURNS PER BORDER LOCATION - WEEK OF 13 JULY TO 19 JULY 2020

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Département	Commune	13-Jul-20	14-Jul-20	15-Jul-20	16-Jul-20	17-Jul-20	18-Jul-20	19-Jul-20	Total per loca- tion
Nord-Est	Ouanaminthe	1,250	921	612	835	637	923	1,645	6,823
Centre	Belladère	447	199	161	100	191	131	183	1,412
Ouest	Malpasse	125	160	85	120	106	120	168	884
Ouest	Cornillon	23	21	24	24	17	19	14	182
Ouest	Fonds-Verettes	58	180	53	40	31	30	23	415
Sud-Est	Anse-à-Pitres	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
Total per date		1,906	1,481	935	1,119	982	1,223	2,033	9,679

#### CROSS BORDER MOVEMENTS AT THE BORDER FROM 13 JULY to 19 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** 

370,907

146,628

224,279

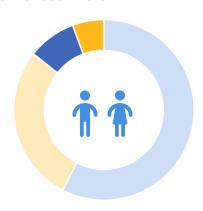
Cumulative movements observed on border crossing points from 17 March to 19 July 2020.

Cumulative movements observed from Haiti to the Dominican Republic from 17 March to 19 July 2020. Cumulative movements observed from the Dominican Republic to Haiti from 17 March to 19 July 2020.

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







MEN 57.5%

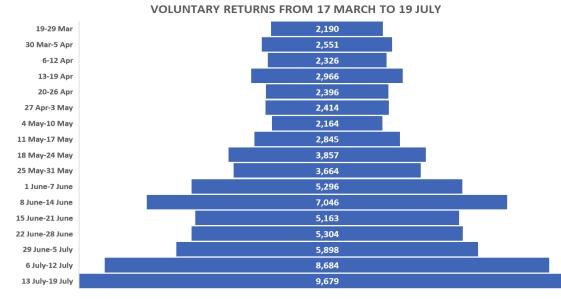
Belladère

■ Malpasse

Ouanaminthe

WOMEN 28.1%

BOYS 8.7% GIRLS 5.7%

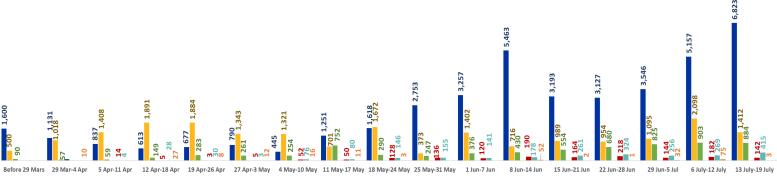


#### **VOLUNTARY RETURNS**

74,443

Voluntary Returns observed at the border from 17 March to 19 July 2020.

#### **VOLUNTARY RETURNS BY BORDER CROSSING POINTS FROM 17 MARCH TO 19 JULY 2020**



■ Cornillon

Fonds Verettes

Anse-a-Pitre

Baie de Manzanille

■ Savane Bombe



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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** 

2,254

1,608

646

Repatriations as of 2018

Repatriations by air as of 2018

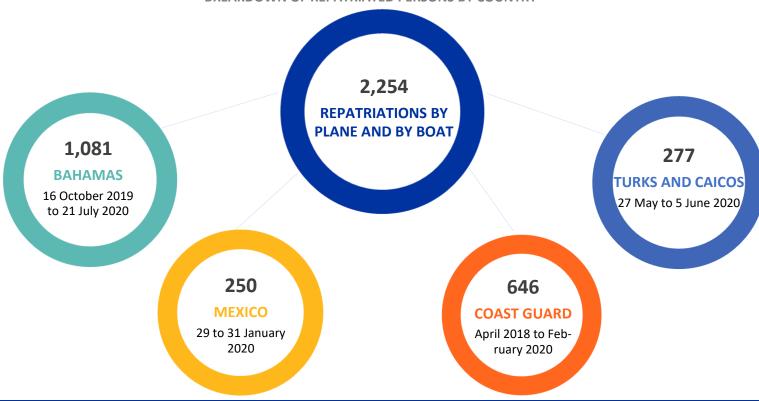
Repatriations by boat as of 2018

### **DEMOGRAPHICS OF REPATRIATED PERSONS BY COUNTRY**

•	Bahamas	Mexico	<b>Coast-Guard</b>	<b>Turks and Caicos</b>
T	75%	68%	81%	92%
	25%	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.

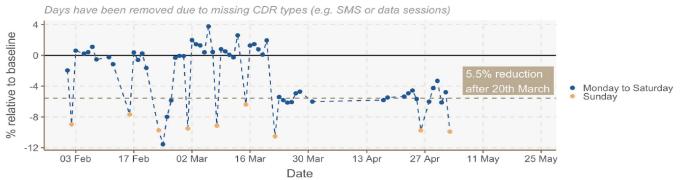
#### **REPORT 1—MAIN RESULTS**

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



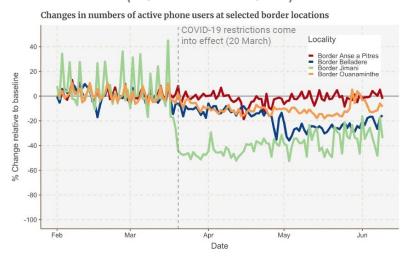
#### **REPORT 2—MAIN RESULTS**

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.

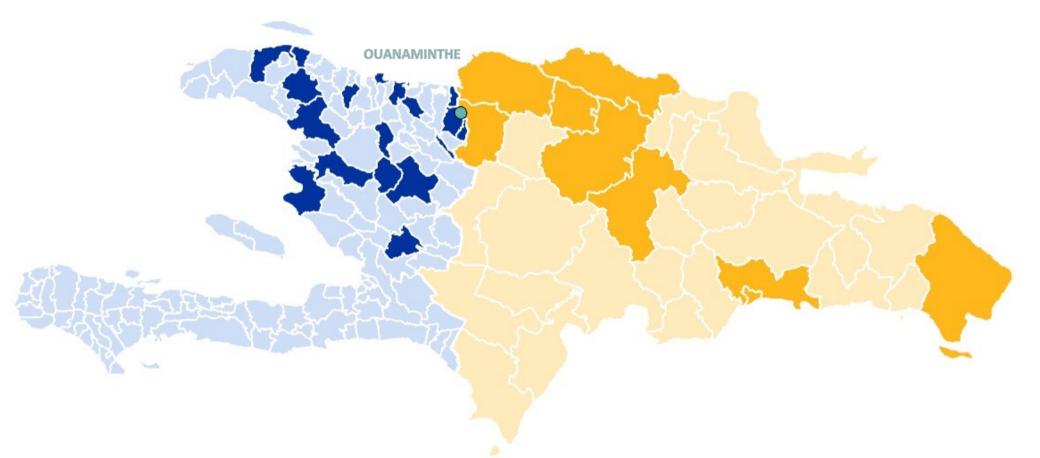
# CHANGES IN VISITOR NUMBERS AT BORDER POINTS (FLOWMINDER - REPORT 2)



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## ORIGIN AND DESTINATION OF VOLUNTARY RETURNS BY BORDER CROSSING POINT—WEEK OF 13 JULY TO 19 JULY 2020 - OUANAMINTHE



### **Origin in Dominican Republic**

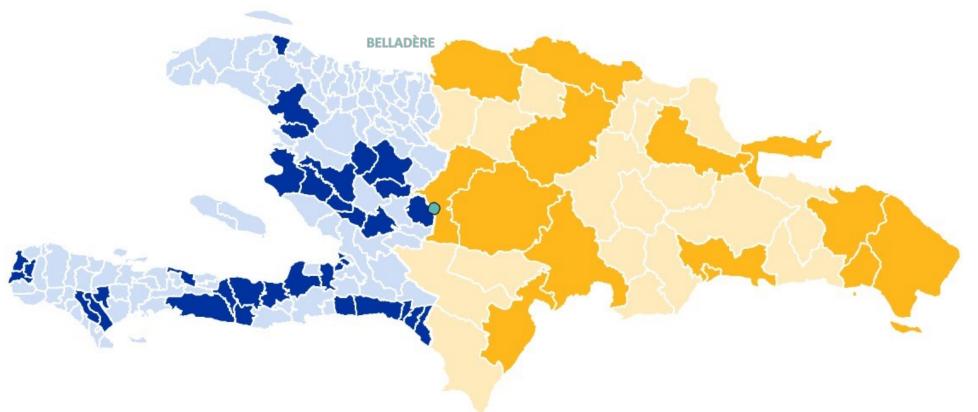
Santiago, Puerto Plata, Santo Domingo, Montecristi, Dajabon, Distrito Nacional, La Vega, Valverde, San Juan

Destination in Haiti: Département	Destination in Haiti: Commune
Nord-Ouest	Port-de-Paix
Nord	Cap-Haitien, Limbé, Saint-Raphael, Limonade, Pilate, Pignon
Nord-Est	Ouanaminthe, Trou du Nord, Ferrier
Artibonite	Gonaives, Saint-Marc, Gros Mrone, Saint-Michel
Centre	Hinche, Mirebalais, Cerca-Carvajal
Ouest	Port-au-Prince, Arcahaie

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## ORIGIN AND DESTINATION OF VOLUNTARY RETURNS BY BORDER CROSSING POINT—WEEK OF 13 JULY TO 19 JULY 2020 - BELLADÈRE



## **Origin in Dominican Republic**

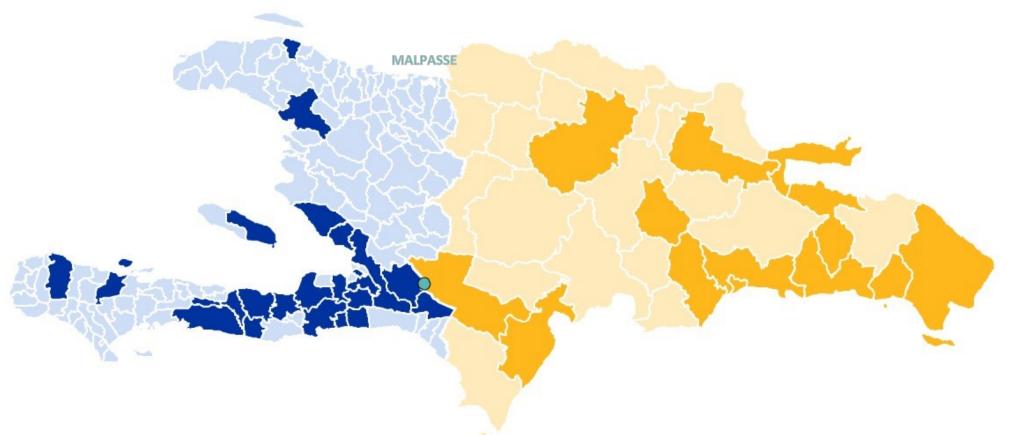
Santiago, La Romana, Duarte, Azua, Santo Domingo, Altagracia, San Juan, Distrito Nacional, Samana, Montecristi, Puerto Plata, El Seybo, Barahona, Elias Pina

Destination in Haiti: Département	Destination in Haiti: Commune
Nord-Ouest	Saint-Louis du Nord
Artibonite	Gonaives, Thomonde, Saint-Marc, L'Estere, Petite Rivère de l'Artibonite, La Chapelle, Verrettes
Centre	Saut d'Eau, Mirebalais, Belladère, Hinche, Maissade
Ouest	Port-au-Prince, Delmas, Carrefour, Léogane, Cité Soleil, Petit-Goave, Grand-Gosier, Grand-Goave
Sud	Chantal, Aquin, Camp Perrin, Torbeck
Sud-Est	Belle-Anse, Marigot, Anse-à-Pitre, Côtes-de-Fer, Thiotte
Nippes	Miragoane, Anse-à-Veau
Grande'Anse	Dame Marie, Anse-d'Hainault, Chambellan

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## ORIGIN AND DESTINATION OF VOLUNTARY RETURNS BY BORDER CROSSING POINT—WEEK OF 13 JULY TO 19 JULY 2020 - MALPASSE



## Origin in Dominican Republic

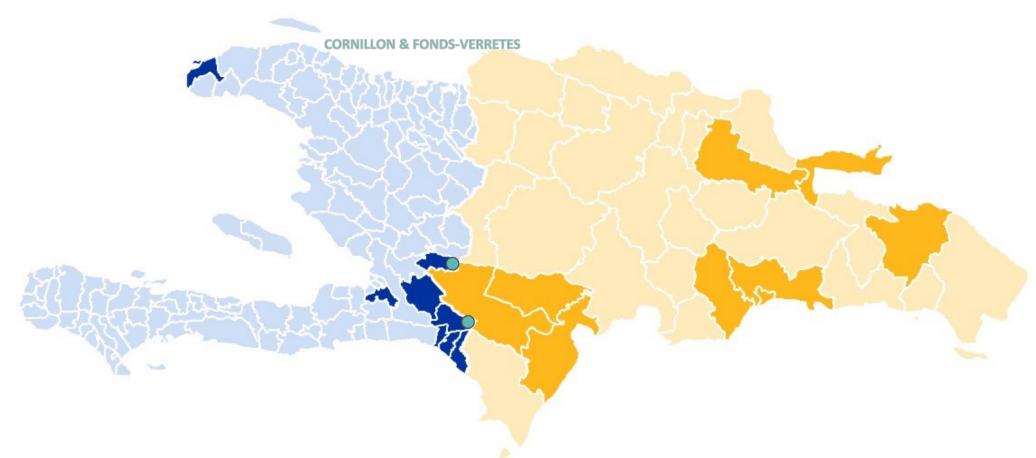
Santo Domingo, Distrito Nacional, Santiago, Independencia, La Altagracia, Duarte, Barahona, Hato Mayor, Monseñor Nouel, San Cristobal, Samana, La Romana, San Pedro de Marcoris.

Destination in Haiti: Département	Destination in Haiti: Commune
Nord-Ouest	Saint-Louis du Nord
Artibonite	Saint-Marc, Gonaives
	Delmas, Arcahaie, Pétion-Ville, Croix-des-Bouquets, Léogane, Carrefour, Ganthier, Fonds-Verrettes,
Ouest	Grand-Goave, Cabaret, Anse-à-Galets, Kenscoff, Petit-Goave
Sud-Est	Jacmel, Marigot, Cayes-Jacmel, Cotes-de-Fer
Sud	Aquin, Saint Louis-du-Sud
Nippes	Miragoane, Fonds-des-Nègres
Grande'Anse	Pestel, Jérémie

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# ORIGIN AND DESTINATION OF VOLUNTARY RETURNS BY BORDER CROSSING POINT—WEEK OF 13 JULY TO 19 JULY 2020 - CORNILLON & FONDS-VERRETTES



# **Origin in Dominican Republic**

Barahona, Independencia, Baoruco, Duarte, Samana, Santo Domingo, Distrito Nacional, El Seybo, San Cristobal

Destination in Haiti: Département	Destination in Haiti: Commune
Nord-Ouest	Mole Saint-Nicolas
Ouest	Fonds-Verrettes, Cornillon/Grand-Bois, Ganthier, Petion-Ville
Sud-Est	Grand-Gosier, Thiotte, Anse-à-Pitre