



Situation Report

Haiti: Hurricane Melissa and escalation in gang violence

1 October - 30 November 2025

Highlights

- Since October 2025, the armed groups have intensified their attacks in the West, Artibonite and Centre departments of Haiti. The deterioration of the security situation has been marked by an increase in kidnappings and killings. The insecurity continues to spark massive displacement, with women and girls being the most severely affected. They have limited access to shelter and essential health and protection services.
- Hurricane Melissa, which hit the Caribbean region on 28-29 October, caused mass flooding and landslides in Haiti, severely impacting people's safety, health, food security, and livelihoods. An estimated 254,745 people were affected, including 66,234 women of reproductive age, and 43 people died and 21 were injured.¹ Over 11,900 houses were flooded, 4,257 damaged, and 176 completely destroyed, causing further internal displacement in Haiti.
- In response, UNFPA has provided inter-agency reproductive health (IARH) kits to strengthen the provision of emergency obstetric care, the clinical management of rape, and the management of complications related to unsafe abortions. UNFPA also distributed dignity and mama kits, as well as provided psychosocial support to survivors of gender-based violence (GBV) those impacted by the hurricane.



6 million

Total people affected²



1.5 million

Women of reproductive age³



225,000

Estimated pregnant women³



920,000

People targeted w/ SRH services



400,000

People targeted w/ GBV programmes

¹ According to the Directorate of Civil Protection.

² [OCHA, Haiti: Humanitarian Needs and Response Plan, February 2025.](#)

³ Estimated figures are based on the Minimum Initial Services Package (MISP) for Sexual and Reproductive Health in Humanitarian Settings calculator.

Situation Overview

Armed groups have intensified their attacks in Haiti's West department, whilst violence also continues to affect the Centre and Artibonite departments, with the most affected areas being the communes of Savane, Belladère, Bas Plateau Central, Mirebalais, Petite-Rivière, La Chapelle, Dessalines, Liancourt, Desarmes, Verrettes, tabarre, cite soleil and Delmas. The attack in Savane on 18-19 November displaced 1,198 people, further destabilizing an already fragile situation that has persisted since March 2025.⁴ As a result, four displacement sites located in the affected area have been completely emptied of the displaced populations that were residing there.

The ongoing violence is impacting humanitarian access to the affected areas, preventing humanitarian organizations and agencies from assisting those affected with critical health and protection services. The increased insecurity between 8-16 November has led to movement restrictions and difficulties in UNFPA and its implementing partners in distributing IARH, dignity and mama kits, especially in areas such as Petit-Goâve, the South, Gonaïves and Petit Goave where the affected women and girls have a huge need for health and hygiene supplies. UNFPA and its partners have been forced to postpone some planned distributions and mobile clinics while monitoring the situation.

Hurricane Melissa caused significant human and material losses across several regions of Haiti. The departments of South, Grand' Anse, South-East, Nippes, West, Artibonite, and North-West were among the most affected. Road infrastructure sustained severe damage, particularly in Grand 'Anse, where several communal sections remain isolated, hampering humanitarian access. Hospitals largely withstood the hurricane, though minor flooding was reported at Les Cayes Hospital and limited damage in Jérémie and Port-de-Paix.⁵

UNFPA Response

Despite funding and access challenges, UNFPA and its implementing partners continue to provide critical services through the deployment of integrated SRH/GBV mobile clinics, dignity kit distribution, coordination of GBV prevention and response services, and remote support for survivors of violence via a hotline.

Sexual and Reproductive Health:

- **A total of 47 reproductive health kits were distributed** to strengthen Comprehensive Emergency Obstetric and Newborn Care (CEmONC) services. Of these, 34 kits were allocated to the Grand South Department. In the West Department, 7 kits were delivered to health facilities and 6 kits were provided to mobile clinics. The supplies are expected to address the priority SRH needs of 6,245 women and girls.
- **456 deliveries were assisted** within UNFPA-supported health facilities including 45 caesarean sections, ensuring safe and adequate medical care.

⁴ Haiti Emergency Tracking Tool 79. Displacement following armed attacks in Petite Rivière of Artibonite (18-19 November 2025).

⁵ [Haiti: Tropical Storm Melissa - Flash Update No.5 \(as of 10 November 2025\)](#).

- **10 mobile clinics provided medical assistance** to 4,846 internally displaced persons (IDPs), including 1,277 people in metropolitan displaced sites and 1,116 people in Artibonite displaced sites, and 2,453 people affected by Hurricane Melissa in Petit Goave.
- **250 mama kits distributed** across multiple sites (Jean Marie César, Argentine Bellegarde, l'École Mixte de la Grâce, la Mission de la Conquête, l'OPC, le MTPTC, l'OPC, Lalue – Pompe à essence, la Maison de transit Kay Kolibri, l'École Darius Denis, le Lycée des jeunes filles, l'ONA de Lalue as well as in FADHRIS temporary shelters in Jacquet and Péguy-Ville).
- **258 STI consultations were conducted**, accompanied by the distribution of 6,100 condoms, helping prevent sexually transmitted infections and unintended pregnancies.

Gender-Based Violence:

- **500 women received the cash assistance** to respond to their immediate basic needs while most of them lost their financial resources during their displacement. Ongoing cash assistance to 1,500 affected women.
- **329 calls were made to the GBV hotline** supported by UNFPA and operated by implementing partners. Trained operators provided psychosocial support, referrals to specialized GBV services, case documentation, and information on GBV during the calls.
- **1,563 women and girls received dignity kits** to address urgent health and hygiene needs.
- **1,671 people benefited from psychosocial support**, medical support and referral services through women safe and other UNFPA-supported health facilities.
- **8,471 people were reached with awareness-raising activities**, covering key topics such as GBV prevention, referral pathways, GBV and SRH services, family planning and prevention of unplanned pregnancy.

Results Snapshot



5,560

People reached with SRH services
90% female, 10% male



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Health facilities supported



12,534

People reached with GBV prevention, mitigation and response activities
85% female, 15% male



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Safe spaces for women and girls supported



1,813

Non-food items (such as dignity and mama kits) distributed to women and adolescent girls



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Mobile health teams supported



47

Reproductive health kits provided to service delivery points to meet the needs of 6,245 people



500

People reached with cash and voucher assistance for GBV and SRH

Coordination Mechanisms

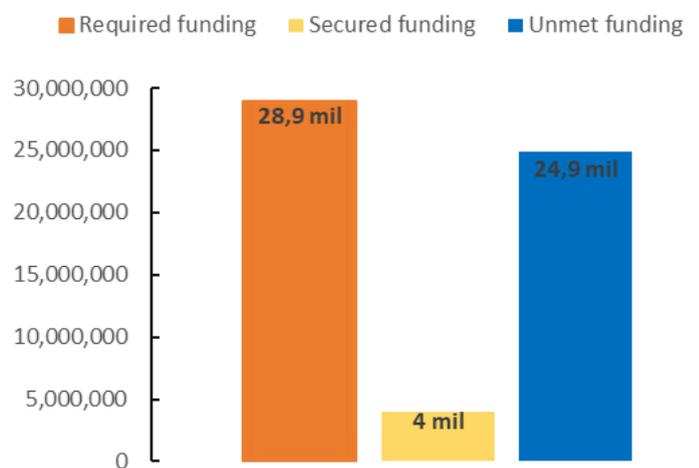
Gender-Based Violence: The GBV Area of Responsibility (AoR) continues to update GBV service mapping on an on-going basis for services that are still operational and accessible. UNFPA worked closely with the GBV Sub-Cluster to design hard copies of GBV referral pathways to include in dignity kits, which have been disseminated to women and adolescent girls displaced by insecurity and Hurricane Melissa.

Sexual and Reproductive Health: The SRH Inter-Agency Working Group is developing a 5W matrix to improve visibility of SRH actors and emergency SRH interventions. The matrix helps identify gaps, strengthen capacity-building efforts, and support advocacy for increased financial resources to ensure access to and use of SRH services, particularly for the most disadvantaged populations and those living in rural areas. UNFPA organized an online orientation session which was attended by more than 65 members of the SRH Working Group to guide them on how to complete the matrix.

Funding Status

UNFPA is appealing for US\$28.9 million to strengthen and expand access to lifesaving SRH and GBV services in Haiti in 2025. As of November, the total amount received was US\$4 million, representing only 14% of the required funding. With needs escalating in Haiti, additional funding is urgently required to ensure critical health and protection services for women and girls.

UNFPA thanks our donors for the significant financial support that has ensured the continuation of critical SRH and GBV programmes since January 2025.



Disclaimer: Funding available is based on cash received during the current year as well as funding rolled over from previous years, and transfers from/to other UNFPA departments. It does not include funds from agreements that have been signed but not yet received.

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- United Nations Development Program (UNDP)
- global fund through WVI,
- BHA/USAID,
- Global Affairs Canada
- Central Emergency Response Fund (CERF)
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- European Commission-European Civil Protection and Humanitarian Aid Operations (ECHO)

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