

BI-MONTHTLY SITREP no. 34 - 16 APRIL TO 30 APRIL 2021



#### **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 Organization (WHO) on 11 March 2020. Nearly a year later, as of 31 March, approximately 150,762,000 confirmed cases had been reported in 213 countries, areas or territories according to WHO and the neighboring country Dominican Republic already reported that 266,861 individuals tested positive to the virus with 3,487 who have died from the disease. On 20 March 2020, the first two cases were confirmed in Haïti and the country remains at high risk of rapid contagion given the weak health system, the proximity and porous border with the Dominican Republic. At present, 13,164 cases of infection, 263 deaths and 12,154 recoveries have been confirmed in Haïti.

IOM continues to adapt its ongoing Displacement Tracking Matrix (DTM) initiative along the Haïti–Dominican Republic border to support the ongoing preparedness and response. The Flow Monitoring initiative is currently being carried out in **20 Border Crossing Points** between Haïti and the Dominican Republic: **16 unofficial points** and **4 official points** in collaboration with the Support Group for the Repatriated and Refugees (GARR in French).

#### **BI-MONTHLY FIGURES - 16 APRIL TO 30 APRIL**

48,986 total cross border movements observed

28,500 going to the Dominican Republic

20,486 going to Haïti

9,243 persons voluntarily returned to Haiti

### **MIGRATORY FLOWS - VOLUNTARY RETURNS AND DEPORTATIONS**

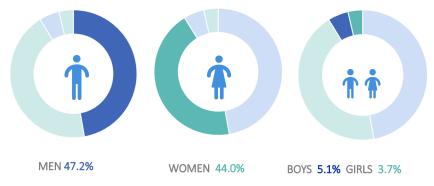
42.1% of observed movements were daily commuters

14.9% of observed movements were voluntary/spontaenous returns

1.8% were forced displacements (deportations, arbitrary expulsions and non admissions)

**41.2%** of other types of movements

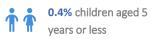
#### **DEMOGRAPHICS** - BREAKDOWN BY SEX



### **VULNERABILITIES** - OBSERVED AT THE BORDER



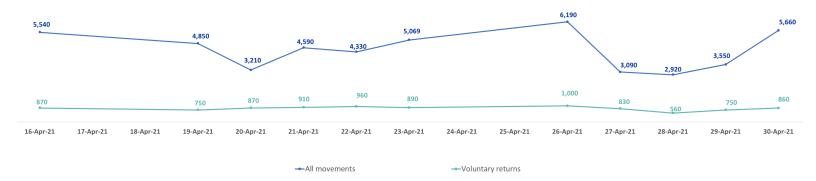
**0.7%** presumed unaccompanied children (UAM)







### CROSS BORDER MOVEMENTS OBSERVED AT THE BORDER FROM 16 APRIL TO 30 APRIL 2021



Disclaimer: Flow Monitoring activities are not representative of all flows in the geographic region covered by the exercise and should be understood as only indicative of the individuals captured at the flow monitoring points during the time-frame indicated. Enumerators are deployed at the border from Mondays to Fridays and the data presented represent migratory flows observed 5 days a week. 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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### Flow Monitoring on 20 Border Crossing Points between Haïti and the Dominican Republic

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Please note that the figures presented in this page do not include movements for December 2020 and January 2021 as Flow Monitoring activities resumed on 1 February 2021.

**CUMULATIVE FIGURES FROM 17 MARCH 2020** 

1,291,795

545,210

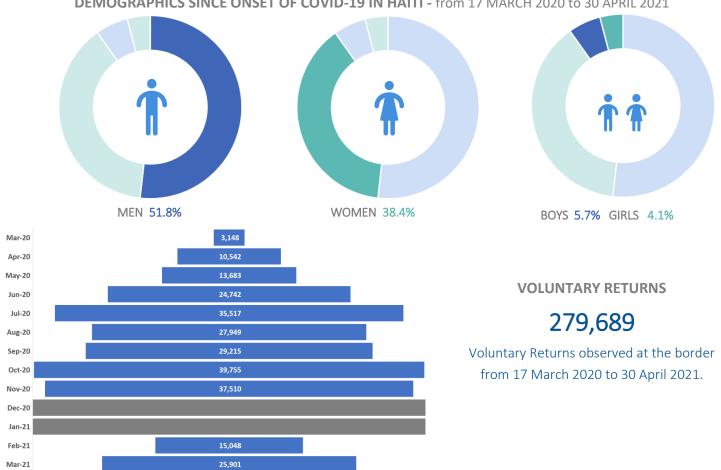
746,585

**Cumulative movements observed** on border crossing points from 17 March 2020 to 30 April 2021.

**Cumulative movements observed from** Haïti to the Dominican Republic from 17 March 2020 to 30 April 2021.

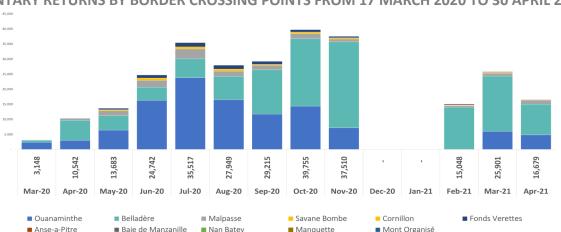
**Cumulative movements observed from** the Dominican Republic to Haïti from 17 March 2020 to 30 April 2021.

### DEMOGRAPHICS SINCE ONSET OF COVID-19 IN HAITI - from 17 MARCH 2020 to 30 APRIL 2021



#### VOLUNTARY RETURNS BY BORDER CROSSING POINTS FROM 17 MARCH 2020 TO 30 APRIL 2021

16,679





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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 Haitian migrants across the world (MPI 2017), mostly in the United States of America, Canada, France, the Bahamas and the 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 Haïti, particularly those observed towards northern countries such as the Bahamas, Turks and Caicos and the United States of America. Indeed, as increased movements and repatriations of Haitian migrants from the Northern part of Haïti (Nord-Ouest, Nord and Nord-Est) have been observed for the better part of 2019 and the last half of 2020. IOM's Flow Monitoring teams will continue to track all trends that may also affect movements toward the Dominican Republic.

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.

**CUMULATIVE FIGURES FROM 2018** 

5,659

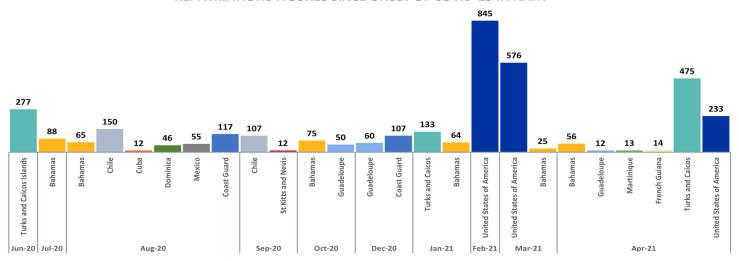
**Repatriations since 2018** 

While repatriations were initially halted in light of COVID-19 restrictions, they resumed in June 2020. A total of **3,667** of Haitian migrants were repatriated to Haïti between **1 June 2020** to **30 April 2021**.

- 3,371 persons forcefully repatriated from 9 locations (8 countries and at sea)
- 296 persons voluntarily repatriated from: Chile (257), Guadeloupe (12), Martinique (13) and French Guiana (14)

Country of Origin	Number of repatriated migrants	Female	Male
Bahamas	1,469	25%	75%
Chile	257	27%	73%
Cuba	12	25%	75%
Dominica	46	26%	74%
Guadeloupe	122	19%	81%
French Guiana	14	64%	36%
Martinique	13	15%	85%
Mexico	305	33%	67%
Turks and Caicos	885	17%	83%
St Kitts and Nevis	12	0%	100%
United States of America	1,654	42%	58%
Coast Guard	870	17%	83%

#### **REPATRIATIONS FIGURES SINCE ONSET OF COVID-19 IN HAITI**



#### **REPATRIATIONS FIGURES FOR APRIL 2021**

Country of Origin	Number of re- patriated mi- grants	Female	Male
Bahamas	56	11%	89%
Guadeloupe	12	8%	92%
Martinique	13	15%	85%

Country of Origin	Number of repatriated migrants	Female	Male
French Guiana	14	64%	36%
Turks and Caicos	475	30%	70%
United States of America	233	24%	76%



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### FLOW MONITORING POINTS MONITORED ALONG THE BORDER BETWEEN HAITI AND THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

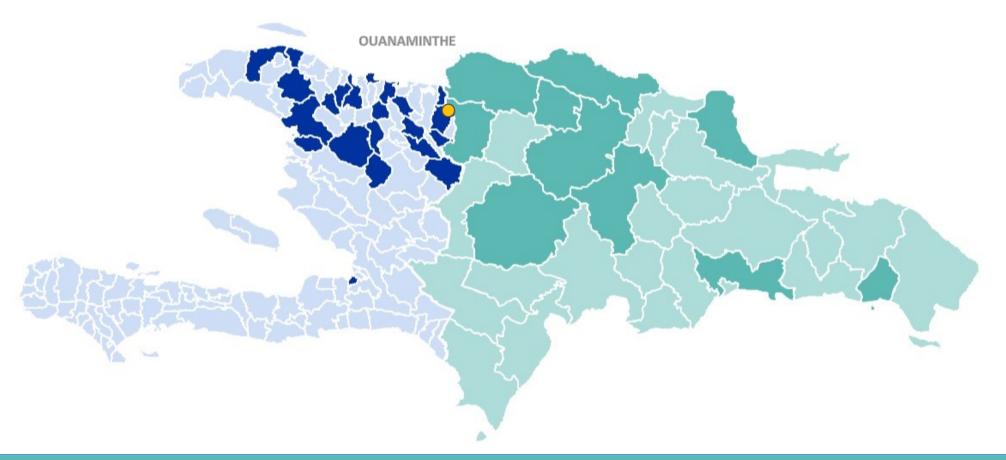
# **HAITI FLOW MONITORING -20-POINTS Ouanaminthe** La Victoire Dominican Republic La Chapel Belladere Malpasse Legend **Points** Fond-Jeannett **Points Officiels Points Non Officiels** Anse-à-Pitre



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### ORIGIN AND DESTINATION OF VOLUNTARY RETURNS BY BORDER CROSSING POINT—16 APRIL TO 30 APRIL 2021—OUANAMINTHE



### **Origin in Dominican Republic**

Dajabon, Valverde, Santiago, Santo Domingo, Puerto Plata, Monte Cristi, San Juan, La Vega, La Romana, María Trinidad Sánchez

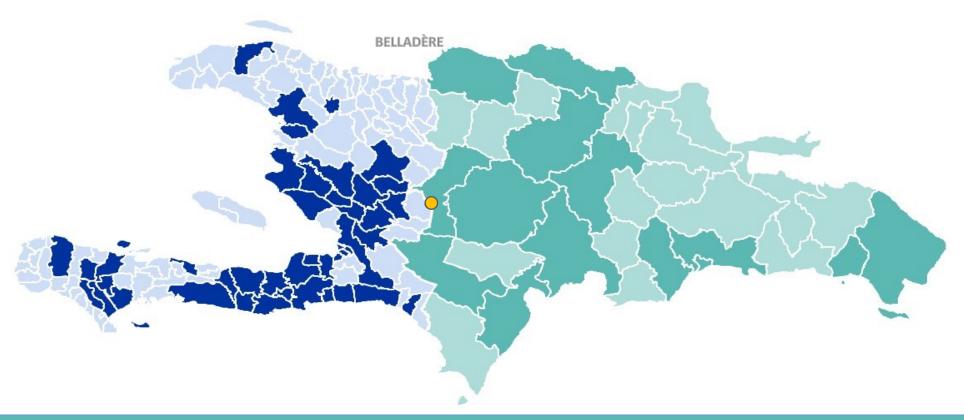
Destination in Haiti: Département	Destination in Haiti: Commune
Nord-Ouest	Port-de-Paix, Saint Louis du Nord
Nord-Est	Trou-du-Nord, Ouanaminthe, Mont-Organisé, Ferrier, Mombin-Crochu, Valliere, St Raphaël
Nord	Limbé, Limonade, Cap-Haïtien, Acul-du-Nord, St Raphaël, Grande-Rivière-du-Nord
Artibonite	Gonaïves, Gros-Morne, L'Estère, Saint-Michel-de-l'Attalaye
Centre	Cerca la Source, Maïssade
Ouest	Port-au-Prince



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### ORIGIN AND DESTINATION OF VOLUNTARY RETURNS BY BORDER CROSSING POINT—16 APRIL TO 30 APRIL 2021- BELLADÈRE



### **Origin in Dominican Republic**

Santo Domingo, San Juan, Azua, Barahona, Monte Cristi, Puerto Plata, San Cristobal, La Vega, La Altagracia, Independencia, La Romana, Elias Pina, Santiago, Distrito Nacional

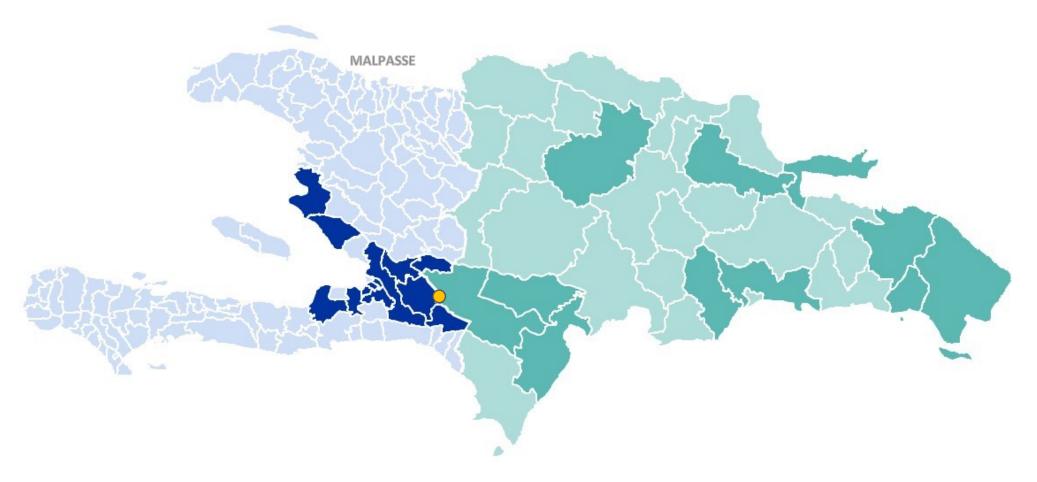
Destination in Haiti: Département	Destination in Haiti: Commune	
Nord-Ouest	Port-de-Paix	
Artibonite	Gonaïves, L'Estère, Mamelade, Verrettes, La Chapelle, St Marc, Petite-Rivière-de-l'Artibonite,	
Centre	Mirebalais, Saut d'Eau, Boucan Carré, Lascahobas, Thomonde, Hinche	
	Arcahaie, Léogane, Grand-Goâve, Carrefour, Thomazeau, Delmas, Port-au-Prince, Cité Soleil, Tabarre, Petit-	
Ouest	Goâve, Gressier, Croix-des-Bouquets	
Sud-Est	Thiotte, Jacmel, Marigot, Bainet, Belle-Anse, La Vallée-de-Jacmel, Cayes Jacmel, Côte de Fer	
Nippes	Anse-à-Veau, Miragoâne	
Grande' Anse	Jérémie, Pestèl, Beaumont,	





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### ORIGIN AND DESTINATION OF VOLUNTARY RETURNS BY BORDER CROSSING POINT—16 APRIL TO 30 APRIL 2021— MALPASSE



### Origin in Dominican Republic

Santo-Domingo, Bahoruco, San Cristobal, Barahona, Santiago, La Romana, Duarte, El Seibo, Independencia, La Altagracia, Distrito Nacional, Samaná

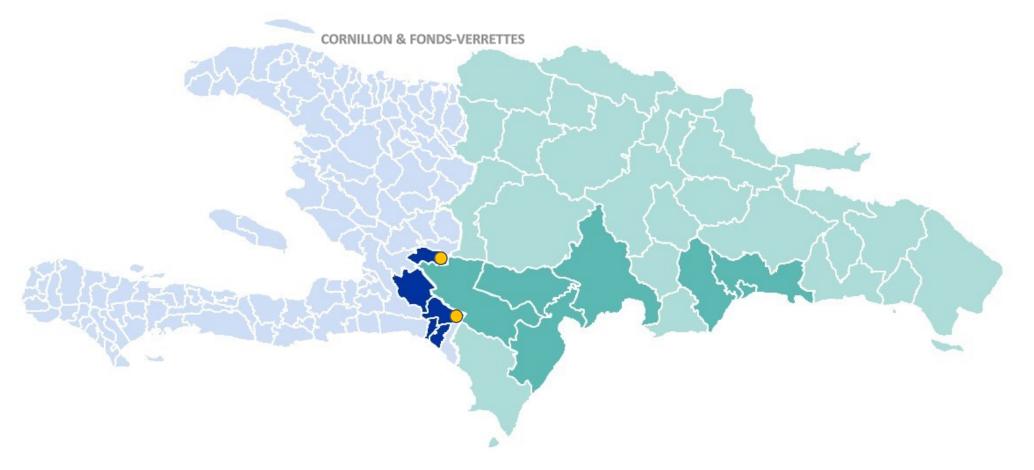
Destination in Haiti: Département	Destination in Haiti: Commune
Artibonite	Saint Marc
	Thomazeau, Carrefour, Ganthier, Delmas, Cornillon, Fonds-Verrettes, Arcahaie, Port-au-Prince, Léogane, Pé-
Ouest	tion-Ville, Croix-des-Bouquets, Tabarre, Arcahaie





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### ORIGIN AND DESTINATION OF VOLUNTARY RETURNS BY BORDER CROSSING POINT—16 APRIL TO 30 APRIL 2021— CORNILLON AND FONDS-VERRETTES



### **Origin in Dominican Republic**

Independencia, Barahona, Bahoruco, Azua, Santo Domingo, San Cristobal, Distrito Nacional

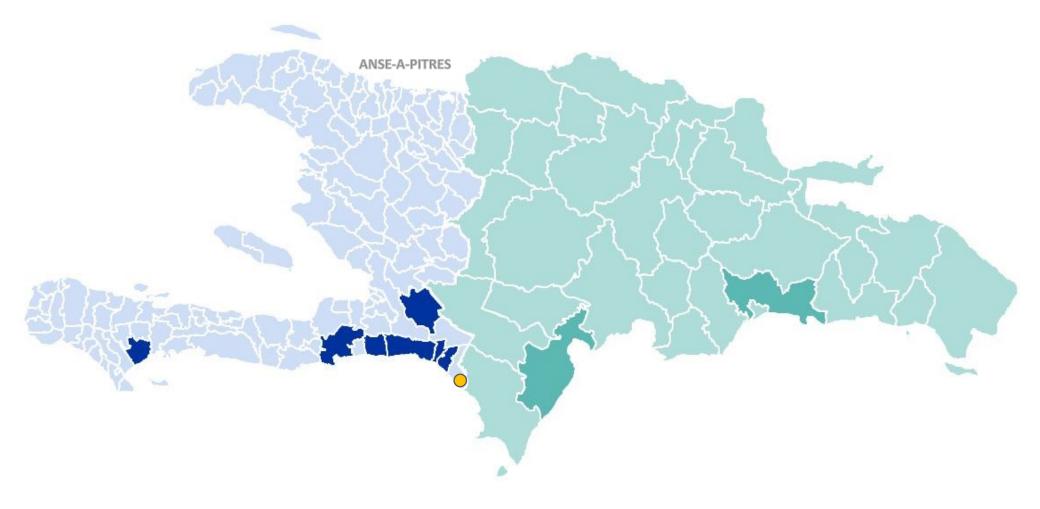
Destination in Haiti: Département	Destination in Haiti: Commune
Ouest Fonds-Verrettes, Cornillon/ Grand-Bois, Ganthier	
Sud-Est	Thiotte, Grand-Gosier



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### ORIGIN AND DESTINATION OF VOLUNTARY RETURNS BY BORDER CROSSING POINT—16 APRIL TO 30 APRIL 2021—ANSE-À-PITRES



Origin in Dominican Republic		
Barahona, Santo-Domingo		
Destination in Haiti: Département	Destination in Haiti: Commune	
Sud	Les Cayes	
Sud-Est	Belle-Anse, Thiotte, Jacmel, Marigot, Grand-Gosier	