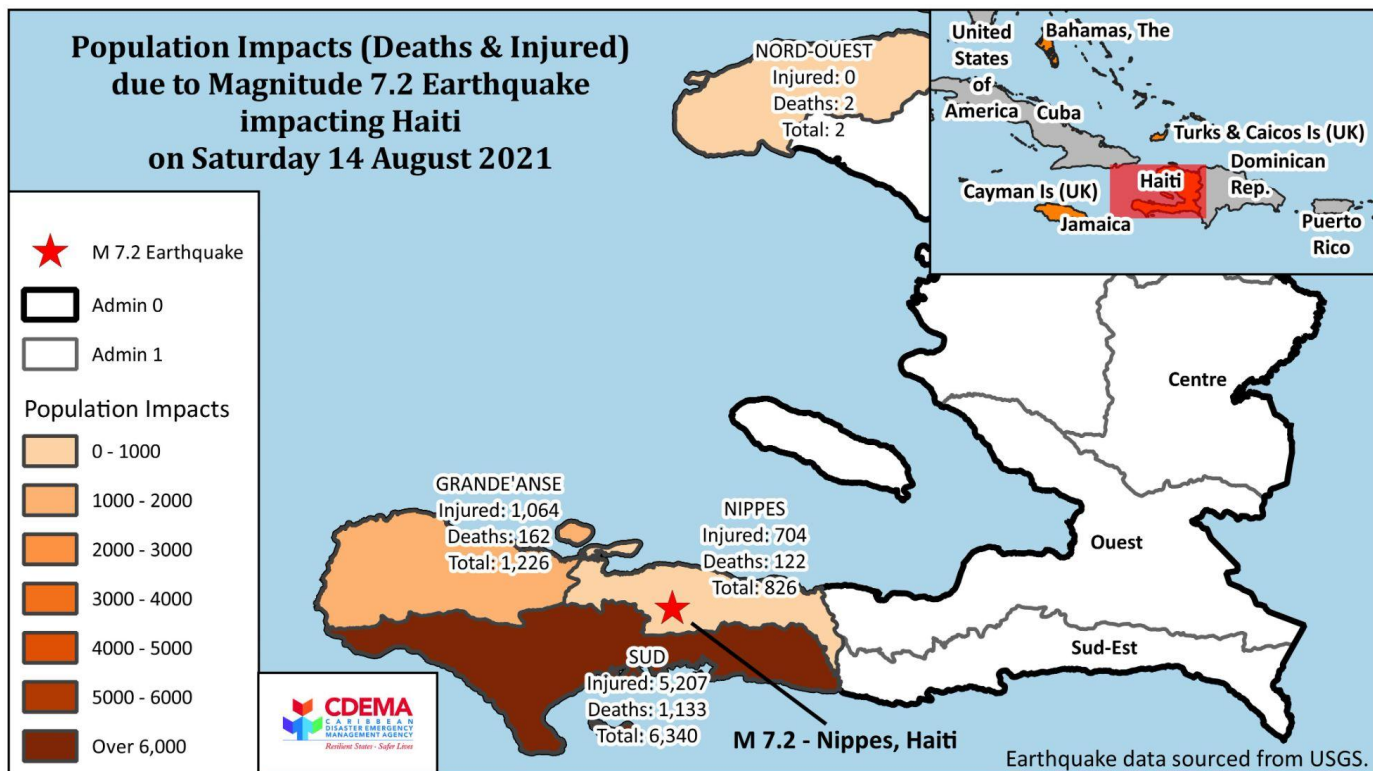


HAITI EARTHQUAKE SITUATION REPORT No. 2

AS OF 5:00 PM ON 17 AUGUST, 2021

Magnitude 7 Earthquake Impacts Haiti



SITUATION

- A 7.2 magnitude earthquake was recorded on Saturday 14 August at around 0830h, in the southern region of the country. The epicenter was located 13 km to the South-South-East of Petit Trou de Nippes, in the departments of Nippes, Grand'Anse and Sud, at a depth of 10 km. It was followed by a number of aftershocks.
- The Departments of Nippes, Grand'Anse and Sud have a combined population representing around 16% of the country's total population, estimated at 11.4 million.
- Prime Minister Ariel Henry declared a one-month National State of Emergency.
- Tropical Depression Grace passed over Haiti on Monday 16 August 2021.

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The Emergency Operations Centre (EOC), led by Prime Minister, remains fully activated. A multidisciplinary team was formed to ensure the rapid assessment of the damage.



HUMAN TOLL

- The earthquake toll is **1,419 dead** to date (**1,133** in the South, **122** in Nippes, **162** in Grand'Anse and 2 in the North-West, more precisely in Bassin Bleu). Nearly 6,900 listed injured people (at least **5,207** in the South, **1,064** in Grand'Anse and **704** injured in Nippes) were received and treated in several hospitals. Several people were missing and trapped under the rubble.
- The first interventions, carried out by both professional rescuers and members of the population, made it possible to extract many people from the rubble. Hospitals continue to receive wounded.



WELFARE

- More than **75,000** affected families have already registered in the 3 most affected departments, while assessments continue.
- There is a persistent water problem in Pestel. Nearly 1,810 tanks were cracked or crushed in the town. Water needs, both for drinking and for other uses, are urgent.



SEARCH & RESCUE

- Civil Protection Officers and Brigadiers are deployed in the field for initial assessments, while specialized teams conduct search and rescue operations at the level of the most affected departments.
- A team of 55 technicians from the Ministry of Public Works, Transport and Communication (MTPTC), Civil Protection Brigadiers and the military were dispatched to participate in search and rescue operations in the South.
- The Ministry of the Environment has deployed 30 environmental officers in the three most affected departments. It also provided two backhoe loaders, 2 dump trucks, 1 compressor and operators for debris / debris management in the Nippes and Grand'Anse.

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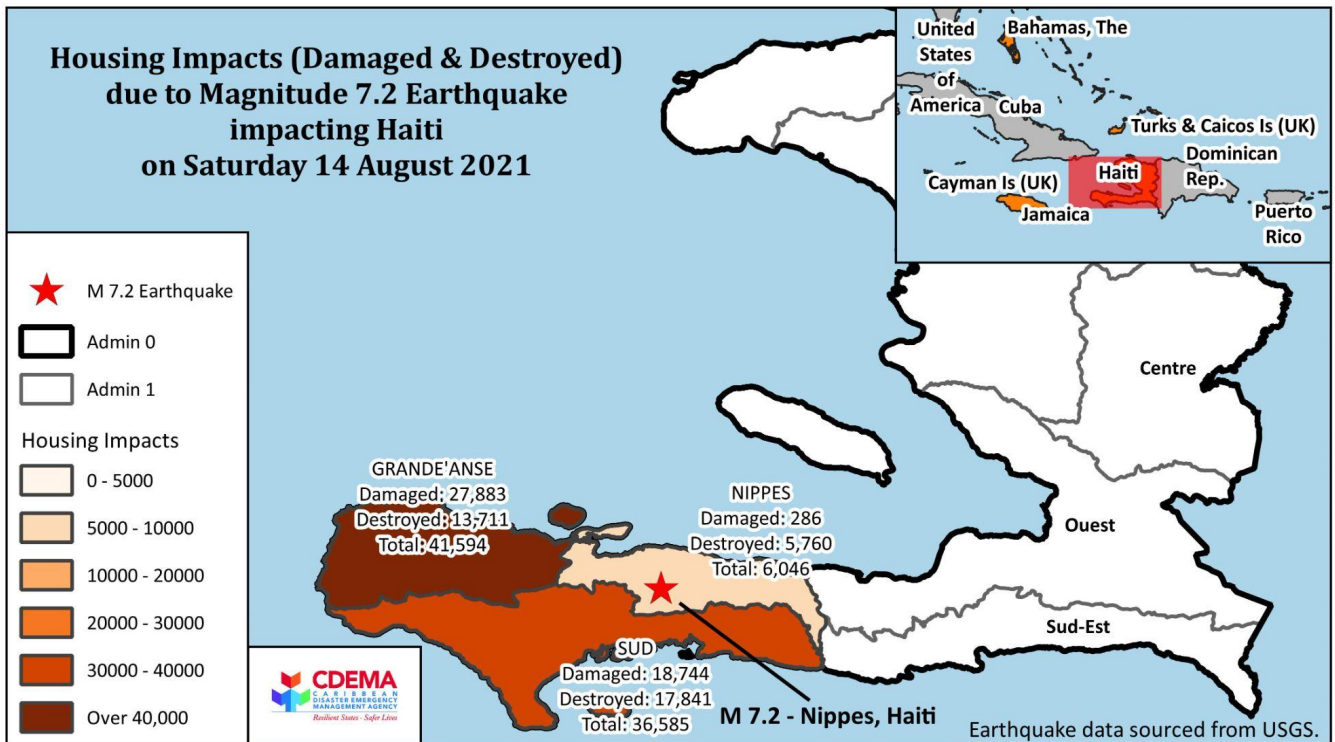


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INFRASTRUCTURE

- **37,312** houses were destroyed and **46,913** houses damaged in the 3 most affected departments (South, Grand'Anse and Nippes).
- Many buildings were destroyed or damaged and many houses have cracked walls. The departments most affected are the South, Nippes and Grand'Anse. The first evaluations of the buildings in these areas, which were still ongoing, show:
 - **17,841** destroyed and **18,744** damaged in the South Department
 - **5,760** destroyed and **286** houses damaged in the Department of Nippes
 - **13,711** destroyed and **27,883** houses damaged in the Department of Grand'Anse
- Many public buildings (hospitals, schools, hotels, churches, private companies, etc.) suffered damage or collapsed.
- Major damage reported on road, health and educational infrastructures in the most affected departments. No major damage yet reported to the port, airport, sports and telecommunications infrastructure thus far.



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RELIEF SUPPORT

- Four rallying points are currently managed in the Bay City: Gabion Land, Cayes Arms Square, Papa Numa Land, and Mormon Church. In the commune of Baradères, there were 8 collection points - 2 on Rue St Augustin, 3 on Rue St François and 3 on Grand Rue. For the Asylum there were 4 rallying points - Ecole Nationale de Verdon, Place d'armes de l'Asile, Près du Marche de l'Azile et Rue Tribunal. Evaluations were underway to record the number of people at these gathering points.



HEALTH

- The Ministry of Public Health and Population (MSPP) called on citizens to donate blood to facilitate the provision of care to victims. A total of 74 health professionals, mostly specialists, were deployed to the affected departments according to the specific needs of the care institutions. They cared for 1,710 injured in all three departments. More than a dozen people were transferred to the Western Department to be taken to care institutions.



ENVIRONMENT

Tropical Depression Grace

- The country was placed on Orange Vigilance since the morning of Monday 16 August (i.e. risk of impact of moderate to strong intensity) in the face of threats of heavy rains, strong winds and heavy sea conditions on the southern coastal regions of the country and prohibited temporarily cabotage operations in the south during the passage of this depression. The Government encouraged the Haitian population of the 10 departments to remain vigilant.
- NHC advised that an additional 1 to 2 inches of rain with isolated maximum totals of 15 inches were expected across the southern terrain areas on 17 August 2021. This heavy rainfall would likely cause flash and urban flooding, along with possible mudslides.
- The EOC would provide an update on the situation on the ground following the passing of the tropical depression.

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HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE

- OCHA provided support to the DGPC in coordinating the response
- UNICEF deployed a truck containing medicines and nutrition kits to serve 30,000 people in the Southern and Grand'Anse departments
- UNICEF supported catering for health personnel deployed in the Grand'Anse Health Directorate
- Samaritan's Purse dispatched two (2) containers with water purification systems and sanitary inputs
- CARPHA provided guidance on COVID-19 Protocols
- Urban Search and Rescue providing assistance upon the request of the Government of Haiti
- Surge support deployments into Haiti will be financed by the United Kingdom Foreign Commonwealth and Development Office (UKFCDO)



IMPACT



Coordination of the Regional Response Mechanism (RRM)

- The Government of Haiti has requested the CDEMA CU to provide operational support for Coordination at the National Emergency Operations Centre in Port-Au-Prince. An Advanced Party/COST team will be deployed to Haiti later this week, financed by the UK FCDO..
- The CDEMA Regional Coordination Plan (RCP) remains activated
- The CARICOM Disaster Relief Unit (CDRU) remains on Alert
- The CDEMA Regional Coordination Centre (RCC) remains activated
- The CDEMA CU maintains contact with the North-Western Sub-Region Focal Point (Jamaica)
- The CDEMA CU has briefed the CARICOM Secretary General and the Chairman of CDEMA
- 3rd Meeting of the Caribbean Development Partners Group (CDPG) was convened on 17 August 2021
- One (1) CDEMA Information Note and two (2) Situation Reports have been disseminated
- CDEMA held a press conference on 16 August 2021
- The CDEMA CU recognises the multi-hazard environment in which this earthquake impact has occurred and will continue to monitor the situation and is ready to provide support where requested
- The CDEMA CU reached out to RRM colleagues for their support (French Creole Speaking an asset): TCI, SLU, DOM, JCA
- The Multi National Civil Military Coordination Cell (MNCCC) (B) has been activated. CDEMA is attending daily MNCCC (B) Meetings with Civ-Mil partners
- The CDEMA CU issued a SAVINGRAM to the CARICOM providing a synopsis of the situation and guidance on actions which could be taken noting that Haiti indicated that there was no requirement for Relief Drives at this time
- The CDEMA CU received a request from CPD to set up a bank account to receive financial donations on Haiti's behalf . Account details will be shared subsequently.

