



ARTIBONITE, HAITI

Violence, poverty, school closures, and a resurgence of cholera and malnutrition are pushing children and their families to the brink of desperation. Crisis conditions in Artibonite have swiftly deteriorated, posing numerous threats to children's health, safety and well-being. With limited access to safe drinking water, affordable food and basic education and health services, children and their families are reaching a breaking point.



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communes face access constraints due to armed group violence and presence



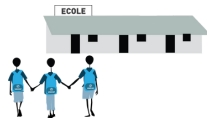
280

schools impacted by the on-going crisis, among them :



55,000

people impacted by the **cholera outbreak**



104

schools closed due to violence and insecurity



Artibonite remains the most affected department with



130%

increase in IDPs rising from **9,951** IDPs in April to **22,440** in July 2023



178

schools operate intermittently

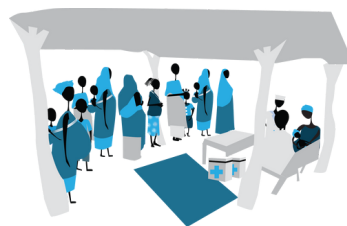
11,000 children at risk of cholera



Only

1 in 4

health facilities are accessible



690,000

children face a growing risk of **acute watery diarrhea, malnutrition, and psychosocial impacts**



745,000+

persons are food insecure



Severe wasting in Artibonite increased from **0.8% in 2020** to **1.7% in 2023**

2,700+

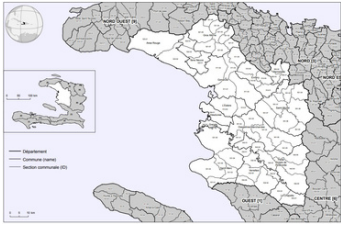
children suffer from acute malnutrition



Only

4 in 10

health facilities provide adequate care for acute malnutrition



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Despite the extremely insecure and volatile environment, UNICEF is working with partners to step up efforts to protect children and families and provide the lifesaving support they desperately need.

Responding to the cholera outbreak



150

community health workers (ASCP) deployed to raise awareness about cholera prevention and facilitate patient referrals



23,000

people reached with our critical cholera response, including the distribution of chlorine, as well as cholera and hygiene kits in areas affected by violence and the rehabilitation of damaged water sources



150,000+

persons vaccinated against cholera



350,000

persons reached with our critical WASH interventions.

Supporting nutrition services



32,100+

children screened for acute malnutrition (from Jan to June 2023)

3,400+

children under 5 treated for acute malnutrition



41,600+

pregnant and breastfeeding women received infant and young child feeding counseling services

Delivering health services



54

health workers deployed by UNICEF to support the collapsing healthcare system and ensure continuity of care for children.

109

health facilities equipped with cold chain equipment and 43 maternity units with solar kits



40

motorcycles and 2 vehicles to support the health supply and logistic system

Education

13,600+

School kits distributed in 65 public schools and supporting IDP host schools



Providing cash transfers to

2,500

children of the most vulnerable families



Psychosocial support

5,000 displaced children require immediate psychosocial support, while another 3,000 await assistance from the Haitian Red Cross (HRC) across four communes: Gonaïves, Marmelade, St. Michel de l'Atalaye, and Gros Morne.