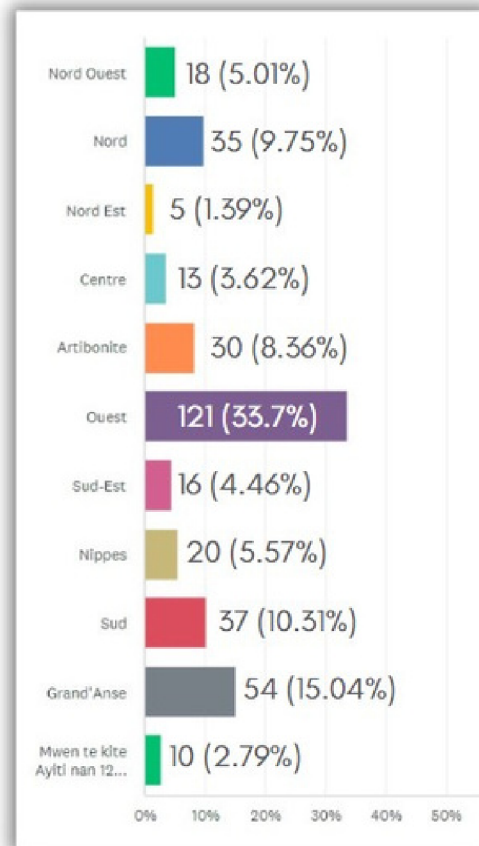


Many international parties are currently speaking for Haitians, and contrasting opinions are being presented regarding how Haitians believe the current crisis should be resolved. In response to the mixed messaging of what Haitians currently living in Haiti want, the Haiti Health Network created an anonymous public opinion survey. This survey evaluates if participants believe the Haitian National Police (HNP) can provide adequate public safety at this time, if they believe international support for the HNP would improve their capabilities enough to address the situation and if they are comfortable with an outside military intervention, including foreign soldiers, to address the situation with the gangs.

Methodology

The anonymous, 8 question survey was developed in English and translated into Haitian Creole. The translation was edited by a professional interpreting and translation firm. The survey instrument was pre-tested for content validity with 5 Haitians currently living in Haiti before dissemination through the Haiti Health Network contact network, on social media and WhatsApp from July 26, 2023 through August 14, 2023. The results (n=383) were filtered (n=359) for responses from individuals currently living in Haiti, or who have left Haiti within the last 12 months. All 10 departments are represented in the results.



Survey participation by department

The survey asked if the Haitian National Police can provide adequate public safety at this time?

73.5% Of those surveyed 73.5% said they do not believe the Haitian National Police is able to provide adequate public safety at this time.

83.5% Of those surveyed in the Ouest department, where gang activity is most concentrated, 83.5% indicated they do not believe the Haitian National Police is able to provide adequate public safety at this time.

The survey asked if the Haitian National Police could provide adequate public safety with support from the international community, but with no foreign soldiers or police officers.

52.9% Do not believe the Haitian National Police can provide adequate public safety even if the international community provided support in the form of advanced training, protective gear, armored vehicles, weapons and ammunition but no foreign soldiers or police officers.

Of those surveyed who indicated the Haitian National Police could provide adequate security with additional material support and training, this is what they felt was needed:

- Advanced training : **109 (30.36%)**
- Weapons and ammunition : **131 (36.49%)**
- Protective gear : **104 (28.97%)**
- Armored vehicles : **139 (38.72%)**

The survey asked if respondents would be comfortable with an outside military intervention, including foreign soldiers, to address the situation with the gangs?

74.7% Of those surveyed 268 respondents (74.7%) said they would be comfortable with an outside military intervention, including foreign soldiers, to address the situation with the gangs.

76.9% Of those surveyed in the Ouest department, where gang activity is most concentrated, 93 of the 121 respondents from the department said they would be comfortable with an outside military intervention, including foreign soldiers, to address the situation with the gangs.

Women in all departments were more likely than men to indicate they would be comfortable with an outside military intervention, including foreign soldiers, to address the situation with the gangs.

82.4% of the women surveyed indicated they would be comfortable with an outside military intervention, including foreign soldiers, to address the situation with the gangs.

The survey asked if respondents are considering leaving Haiti due to the violent situation

53.3% of those surveyed indicated they are considering leaving Haiti due to the violent situation.

2.7% of those surveyed have left Haiti in the past 12 months due to the ongoing violence.

Survey Demographics

Gender

- Male : **216 (60.2%)**
- Female : **136 (37.9%)**
- Prefer not to say : **7 (1.9%)**

Age

- Under 25 : **20 (5.57%)**
- 25 - 50 : **221 (61.56%)**
- 51+ : **112 (31.19%)**
- Prefer not to say : **6 (1.68%)**

Employment Industry

- Healthcare : **125 (34.82%)**
- Education : **52 (14.49%)**
- Agriculture : **19 (5.29%)**
- Community development : **38 (10.58%)**
- Government : **38 (10.58%)**
- Other : **87 (24.24%)**