

Effects of the Cholera Epidemic in Haiti

(October 2010- June 2011)

CURRENT FACTS

- Total Number of Cumulative Cases: 363,117
- Number of Deaths Due to Cholera: 5,506
- Percentage of Haitian Population with Cholera: 3%
- Mortality Rate: 1.7%
- Number of Hospitalizations: 175, 944 (53.1% of total cases)

FUTURE ESTIMATE

(Oct. 2010-Oct. 2011)

Over a One Year Period:

- Number of Estimated Patients: 400,000
- Number of Estimated Severe Cases: 80,000
- Number of Estimated Cases Requiring Hospitalization: 140,000

Sources: Pan American Health Organization (PAHO), the Ministry of Health of Haiti (Ministère de la Santé Publique et de la Population, MSPP), UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA), Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF)

The rainy season has marked a drastic increase in cholera cases:

- Since June, 18,182 new cases of cholera were reported, accounting for 5% of the cumulative cases thus far
- Doctors Without Borders (MSF) reported a rise from 400 cases per week in April to 2,891 new cases during the second week in June
- Between April and June, the Haitian Health Ministry is reporting more than 86,000 new cholera cases-accounting for one quarter of all cholera cases reported since the beginning of the epidemic
- As of June 2011, there are 38 Cholera Treatment Centers (CTCs) and 216 Cholera Treatment Units (CTUs) operating in Haiti, as compared to 61 CTCs and 122 CTUs operating in December 2010

Sources: World Health Organization (WHO), MSF, MSPP