

Haiti Fact Sheet

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Country Overview

- » Located in the Caribbean
- » Haiti spans 10,714 mi²
- » Population: 10.289 million
- » 2016 Human Development Index Ranking: 163 of 188

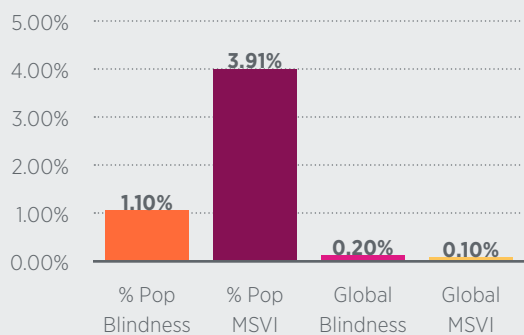
Scope of Vision Needs²

- » 1.1% of Haiti's population is blind (71K), as compared to 0.15% in the United States
- » 3.91% of the population has moderate to severe vision impairment (272K), as compared to 1.25% in the United States
- » 0.20% of global blindness
- » 0.10% of global MSVI

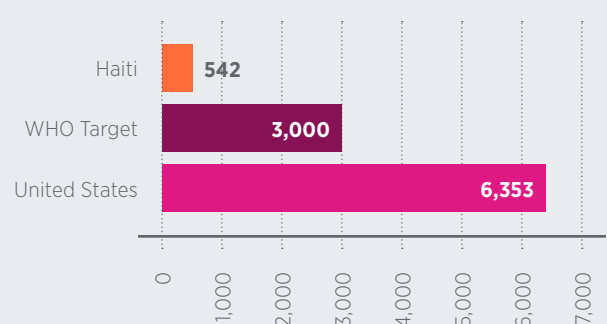
Nationwide Eye Care Response

- » Haiti's 2013 CSR was 542 surgeries per million, as compared to the US CSR of 6,353 and WHO target CSR of 300 per million.
- » In 2013, there were 6 ophthalmologists per million people in Haiti.
- » There were 0.7 optometrists, and 10 AOPs per million people.

VISION NEEDS



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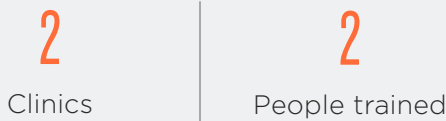
¹ 2016 UNDP Human Development Report: <http://hdr.undp.org/en/2016-report>

² Unless otherwise noted, all country sight statistics from IAPB Vision Atlas: <http://atlas.iapb.org/global-action-plan/gap-indicators/>

Seva's Approach in Haiti

With its high rates of poverty being a barrier to accessing eye care, Haiti currently has the highest prevalence of blindness in the Latin American/ Caribbean region. The greatest cause of blindness in Haiti is cataract. With only 60 trained ophthalmologists in the entire country, high quality, affordable eye care for the entire country is desperately needed. In 2013 Seva partnered with the International Eye Foundation (IEF) and Visualiza Clínica Médica Oftalmológica to work with Vision Plus Clinique (CVP), a new eye clinic located in Cap Haitien. Staff from IEF and Visualiza trained the staff of Vision Plus Clinique on surgical skills, patient flow, clinic set-up, and data collection. This hospital and its dedicated staff are one of the only clinics bringing eye care to the people of Northern Haiti. Visualiza also works with the De Castro Eye Clinic located just outside the capitol city of Port au Prince. Since 2013, they have trained de Castro's ophthalmologists and hospital administrators, assisted with the design of their new clinic, installed and trained staff to use a hospital management system and trained staff to perform outreach activities to rural communities desperately in need of eye care with Seva's support.

IMPACT (FY17-18)



Resources:

[Case Study: Visualiza Eye Care Systems](#)

SIGHT SERVICES



SPOTLIGHT ON CAPACITY BUILDING

Part of the process of mentoring and building capacity involves assessing how the hospital can expand its outreach efforts to remote communities and provide subsidized or free services in a manner that more fully uses the hospital resources without overcommitting the hospital. Visualiza conducted a review of these outreach services with the De Castro clinic in Haiti. Based on the review, the team revised some of its policies around outreach and services. We expect to see an improvement in the outreach performance of the hospital in the coming months.