

From October 18, 1751 to January 12, 2010, Haiti has experienced 19 floods, 16 hurricanes, 8 earthquakes, 3 hurricanes and 2 tropical storms that have had a devastating impact on the whole country. Each of them has caused casualties, property damage, homelessness, etc. Here is a list of all the disasters that have afflicted Haiti for 260 years.

October 18, 1751 - **Earthquake** in Port-au-Prince, the city is destroyed.

June 3, 1770 - **Earthquake** in Port-au-Prince and the south. Cities are destroyed.

18-19 November 1816 - a **cyclone** caused considerable damage in rural areas of the Ouest Department and the Gulf of La Gonave.

May 7, 1842 - **Earthquake** in Cap-Haitien and in the whole northern region. Cap-Haitien, Port-de-Paix, Gonaives, Fort-Liberté are destroyed, and several towns in the Dominican Republic are also affected.

September 23, 1887 - **Earthquake** in the northern region of Haiti.

1904 - **Earthquake** in the northern region. Port-de-Paix and Cap Haitian are severely affected.

November 12, 1909 - Cyclone in the Ouest Department; about 150 victims were identified, especially in the Plaine du Cul-de-Sac.

August 12, 1915 – Hurricane on the southern peninsula devastated Jacmel and Jérémie.

October 21, 1935 - Hurricane in south and south-east, 2,000 people perished.

1946 - **Earthquake** in the Northeast of the Dominican Republic with a tidal wave in the region of Nagua, Haiti is also affected.

October 27, 1952 - **Earthquake** in Anse-à-Veau in the Department of Grande Anse making 6 victims and thousands homeless.

11-12 October 1954 - a hurricane affects all areas of Haiti, more than 249 Mph, the cyclone devastated the country; several thousands of victims.

October 3, 1963 - Hurricane Flora whacked departments in the South and west, nearly 5,000 dead.

November 14, 1963 – Grande Rivière du Nord is flooded; nearly 500 victims.

August 24, 1964 - Hurricane Cleo hit the southern coast, particularly the city of Les Cayes by 192 deaths.

September 29, 1966 - Hurricane Ines devastated the departments of south and west; wind speed over 170 Mph.

May 20, 1972 - Les Cayes and its surrounding towns are flooded; 20 missing and considerable property lost.

August 5, 1980 - Hurricane Allen hits the south coast at 270 Mph, and particularly Les Cayes; killed roughly 200 people.

June 10, 1984 – Port-de-Paix, the largest city in the Nord-Ouest region is flooded.

1st June 1986 – A huge flood inundated 20 000 hectares in Les Cayes; thousands of homes damaged.

October 23, 1986 – The Island of La Gonave is flooded; 31 dead, 906 homeless, more than 380 houses

destroyed or damaged.

April 27, 1987 - Port-de-Paix, the largest city in the Nord-Ouest region is flooded

May 8, 1987 – Thiotte, located in the department of south-east, and Delmas and Caradeux near Port-au-Prince are flooded

January 27, 1988 - Floods in the Nord-Ouest (northwest) region.

June 20, 1988 – Lestère, located in the Artibonite Valley is flooded

September 11, 1988 - **Hurricane Gilbert** devastated the southern coast, in particular the regions of Anse-à-Veau, Camp-Perrin, Cavaillon, Les Cayes, Ile-à-vache, Jacmel, Jérémie, and Kenscoff

October 8, 1988 – The city of Leogane and its surrounding farmlands are flooded.

February 23, 1989 – The whole country is affected by floods and heavy rains; 4945 families affected, 1,527 houses are destroyed, and 1640 other houses are damaged.

12 and October 13, 1994 - **Hurricane Gordon** crosses the department of south-east and the southern peninsula causing flooding and leaving about 2,000 dead and missing.

September 23, 1998, **Hurricane George** devastated the south-eastern and north-west regions of Haiti; 147 deaths, 34 serious injuries, 40 missing and 167,500 homeless.

24-27 May 2002 – The southern peninsula along with the towns of Camp Perrin, Lazile, and Anse-à-Veau are most affected by these tropical downpours; 31 dead, 14 missing and affected more than 7000 people lost all their belongings

23-24 May 2004 - Torrential rains that flooded the south-east of Haiti on the night of May 23 to 24 left 1232 dead, 1443 missing and 31 130 disaster victims. The towns of Mapou and Belle-Anse with 432 deaths and 350 dead; Bodary and Fonds-Verrettes with 237 victims, were the most affected localities. The severity of this disaster prompted the interim government Boniface / Latortue to make Friday, May 28th a day of national mourning.

September 10, 2004 - **Hurricane Ivan** hit the southern peninsula and the west coast causing in various regions, significant damage due to flooding.

18-19 September 2004 - **Hurricane Jeanne** flooded the northern strip of Haiti and the Upper Artibonite region and caused 1870 dead. The toll rose to 2620 wounded, 846 missing and 300 000 affected. With more than 3,000 dead, Gonaives sustained much more casualties and property damage.

6 and July 7, 2005 - **Hurricane Denis** hits the southeast coast of Haiti, causing flooding in several southern cities (Bainet, Grand Goave, and Les Cayes) and leaving more than 500 homeless.

October 4, 2005 – Floods in various parts of the country (Petion-Ville and Grand Goave located in Ouest Department) caused considerable property losses. The Government provided no record of this disaster.

17-18 October 2005 - **Hurricane Wilma** his western and southern regions of Haiti.

October 23, 2005 - **Tropical Storm Alpha** hits the southern peninsula with departments of Grande Anse and Nippes included.

October 25, 2005 - Floods caused by torrential rains inundated several parts of north-west regions. There areas affected are Port-de-Paix, Bassin Bleu, of Anse-à-Foleur and Saint-Louis du Nord.

22 and November 23, 2006 - Heavy rains which flooded several areas in the departments of Grand Anse department Nippes and Nord-Ouest damaged road structures and caused the collapse of a bridge at Ravine Sable in the town of Bonbon.

March 17, 2007 - Floods caused by torrential rains for over a week all over much of Haiti; six departments have been particularly affected.

8-9 May 2007 - Torrential rains caused considerable damage in several regions, particularly in the departments of the north, northeast and south of the bridge connecting Haiti to the Dominican Republic which was severely damaged.

August 16, 2008 - **Tropical Storm Fay** whacks the whole country.

August 26, 2008 - **Hurricane Gustav** struck southern peninsula , particularly in the Grande-Anse Department; 77 dead and 8 missing with material damage, 15 000 families affected, 3,000 houses destroyed, 11 damaged 458 others .

September 1, 2008 - **Hurricane Hanna** devastated a large part of the country; Gonaives and Jacmel cities are the most flooded.

September 6, 2008 - **Hurricane Ike**, classified in category 4, whacked the northern coast of Haiti, causing heavy rains in the northern, western and north-western regions.

October 20, 2009 - Heavy rains on Haiti's capital and its suburbs, the town of Carrefour, a suburb south of the capital, was completely flooded.

**January 12, 2010 - Earthquake with a magnitude of 7.0 in the region of Port-au-Prince.**