

Country Card

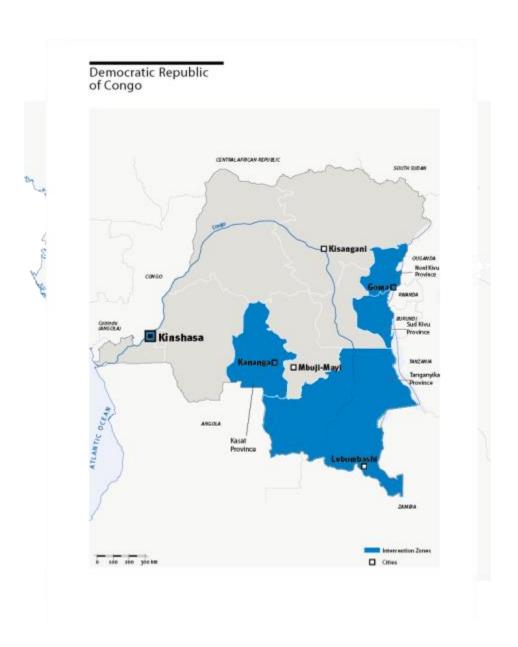
DRC





HI Team and intervention areas

The HI DRC program has 128 staff members.





General data of the country

a. General data

Country	DRC	Rwanda	Belgium
Population	86,8 millions	12,6 millions	11,5 millions
HDI	0.45	0.53	0.9
IHDI	0,316	0,382	0,849
Gender development index	0,84	0,94	0,97
Population under HCR mandate	529 061	145 360	42 168
Maternal mortality	850	253	
GINI Index	42,1	43,7	27,4
INFORM global risk index	7,6	4,3	1,9
Fragile State Index	109,4	86	27,1
Development aid (in millions USD)	2509,78	1119,27	0

b. Humanitarian law instruments ratified by the country

Humanitarian law instruments	Status
Mine Ban Treaty	Ratified on02/05/2002
Convention on Cluster Munitions	Signed on 18/03/2009
UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities	Not signed



c. Geopolitical analysis

1. Social, cultural and demographic context

The second largest country in Africa, four times the size of France and eighty times the size of Belgium, the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) is a country whose history is marked by power struggles for its wealth, and this is still today the main cause of most of its ills.

The DRC is facing a large-scale humanitarian and health crisis, affecting more than 25.6 million people in 2020, including more than 15 million children. This crisis is the consequence of decades of local and regional security instability, particularly affecting the eastern provinces of the country. Over the years, armed conflicts and inter-community violence have led to a very high vulnerability of the populations. New conflicts have emerged in 2016 affecting previously unaffected provinces, such as Kasai, and have led to a sharp increase in the number of people in need. In addition, since 2018, continuous epidemics (Ebola, measles, cholera, Covid-19) have been breaking out and spreading in several provinces of the country, undermining a population and health system that had already been greatly weakened.

2. Economic situation

Significant improvements in the DRC's socio-economic situation have been hoped for by the population and are still awaited, despite the obvious presence of wealth and therefore financial resources. Nevertheless, the country has moved up 11 places in the HDI ranking in 2015, from 186th out of 187 countries in 2013 to 176th out of 188 countries in 2014.

Progress is visible in terms of life expectancy (rising from 49 years in 1997 to 59 years in 2015), school enrolment (28% in 1995 to 44% in 2014 for secondary education) and gross national income per capita (\$338 in 1997 to \$392 in 2015). However, this discrete progress in socio-economic indicators does not reflect the reality of the vastness of the Congolese territory. Inequalities and the socio-economic situation remain worrying in most of the country's territories.

Between 2016 and 2018, during the political crisis linked to the "slippage" of the presidential majority, inflation began to rise again. Despite a major smooth handover at the head of state in January 2020, the health crisis linked to the Covid-19 had a strong impact on the country's socio-economic indicators. In March 2016, 1 US dollar was exchanged for 900 Congolese Francs, and for 2000 Congolese francs in August 2020. Purchasing power is declining, and basic consumer prices are rising.



Summary of HI presence in the country

HI has been present in the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) since 1995, and in the East since 2001: in Kisangani for a demining project (Tshopo Province), and since 2007 in Goma for rehabilitation and logistics platform projects. Since 2007, several projects have been carried out in the field of physical rehabilitation, victim assistance and care for vulnerable people in North Kivu, including people with injuries and/or disabilities. Interventions alternate according to areas and needs between development and emergency without disconnecting them from each other.



Overview on ongoing projects

Sectors of services where HI conducts projects and focus on beneficiaries and operational partnerships

Main sectors of intervention	Objective of project in the sector	Main activities	Beneficiaries	Final benefic iaries	Partners	Location	Dates of beginning and end of the project and donors funding it
Atlas Logistique: Removal of obstacles to the delivery of humanitarian aid through the deployment of mobile rapid response teams- CRIO North-East	Reduction of major logistical constraints to facilitate humanitarian activities	. Management of information on "hot spots" and compilation in a database . Rapid Response Needs Assessment . Emergency repair of transport infrastructure (completed) . Information and community mediation throughout the intervention.	Humanitarian organisations	16	N/A	Goma	04.2020- 07.2020 Humanitaria n Fund - DRC



Justice, citizenship and political participation: Supporting humanitarian actors for an inclusive humanitarian response in DRC	Promoting access and inclusion of groups at risk of discrimination in humanitarian assistance in DRC.	. Analysing and documenting the accessibility of humanitarian aid to the most vulnerable populations . Capacity building of targeted humanitarian actors to plan and implement inclusive programmes and services Improving humanitarian actors' knowledge about vulnerability and inclusion	Humanitarian organisations, Public institutions and their partners	17	N/A	Kananga, Kalemie, South Kivu North Kivu	12.2018 11.2020 Humanitaria n Fund - DRC
Atlas Logistique: Analysis of the logistics environment in the context of COVID	Meeting the needs of the humanitarian aid supply chain in North Kivu through the management of logistics platforms	. Mobilisation of Atlas Logistique's expertise for the identification and optimisation of the humanitarian supply chain at national or regional level . Facilitation of secure storage at Goma airport allowing the distribution of inputs proposed to first responders Shared road transport service from Goma to the last few kilometres made available to the humanitarian organisations participating in the COVID response	Humanitarian organisations working in DRC	6	N/A	North-Kivu province and Kinshasa	05. 2020 09. 2020 H2H Office of Foreign Affairs LUX



Rehabilitation	Contribute to the improvement of the	. Improved access to rehabilitation and psychosocial support services for	. Health and rehabilitation	9 436	Provincial hospital in North-Kivu, HGR	DRC – Province du	09.2018 02.2020
Strengthening access to health	living conditions of populations	vulnerable people with functional limitations, including the injured, in	professionals		Rutshuru, HGR Masisi, HGR Mweso,	North-Kivu (Masisi,	DGD Humanitaire
services for victims of armed conflict in	affected by armed	health areas affected by armed conflict. Improvement in the quality of physical	. Community relays		HGR CBCA Virunga, HGR Tshikaji,	1 '	Tramame and
North Kivu province	Kivu Province	rehabilitation and psychosocial support services.	. People with disabilities requiring		Province Health Division in North-	Beni, Oicha and Rutshuru).	
		Scivices.	functional rehabilitation care		Kivu and Central Kasaï	and Nationalay.	
Logistics Atlas	Reduction of major logistical	. Management of information on "hot spots" and compilation in a database	Humanitarian Organisations	15	CEILU	Kasai and Central Kaisai	05.2019 09.2020
Removing physical	constraints to	. Technical assessment of rapid	_				Humanitaria
obstacles to the	facilitate	response needs					n Fund -
delivery of	humanitarian	. Information and community mediation					DRC
humanitarian	activities - CRIO	throughout the intervention.					
assistance through	Kasai	. Emergency repair of transport					
the deployment of		infrastructure (carried out)					
mobile rapid							
response teams-							
CRIO Kasai							
Economic inclusion	To help improve	. Improving food security for the most	Heads of household	17 510	N/A	Kananga	09.2019
	access to food for	vulnerable populations affected by the				Demba	11.2020
Food assistance	the most vulnerable	conflict in the territories of Demba,				Dimbelenge	USAID/FFP
project for conflict-	households and	Dimbelenge and Kananga, in the					
affected populations	strengthen local	province of Kasai Central					
in Central Kasai	markets in Central	. Improving access to markets for the					
province	Kasai.	conflict-affected population by					
		supporting the development of local					
		markets in the territories of Demba,					
		Dimbelenge and Kananga in the					
		province of Kasai Central.					



Prevention and	Integrate the	. Implementation of inclusive actions for	Healthcare personnel	261	Health Provincial	Ndjili, Bumbu,	01.2017
Health: Maternal	prevention,	the prevention and detection of	Staff dedicated to	176	ministry (Kinshasa)	Nsele and	12.2021
and Child Health	detection and	deficiencies by communities in the	health promotion		Rotary club	Selembao	DGD
	management of	health zones of Bumbu, Selembao and	Children under 5				Foundation
	impairments related	Ndjili.	years old				Jos
	to maternal and	. Improving the quality of maternal and	Pregnant women				UK AID
	child health	child care services in the General	People with				MATCH
		Hospitals of Reference (HGR) and	disabilities				UNICEF
		health centres					
		. Improving access to health care for					
		pregnant women and children under 5					
		years of age.					
Education	The health, living	. Capacity building of educational,	Pupils from the	976	Ministry of Primary,	Limete, Ngaba,	01.2018
	conditions, social	health and social actors to support	beneficiary schools;		Secondary and	Kisenso, Nsele,	12.2022
Improving access to	participation and	children with disabilities in the project	. The educational		Professional	Selembao,	Office of
quality education	socio-economic	areas	actors		Education	Lemba	Foreign
and rehabilitation	development of	. Implementation by the country's	Civil society working				Affairs LUX
for children with	people with	educational, health and social system in	in the field of				
disabilities	disabilities are	Kinshasa of quality interventions for the	education				
	improved.	holistic care of children with disabilities.	. Communities living				
		. Strengthening the understanding of	in the project				
		disability within the community	intervention areas,				
		. Active involvement of communities	including health care				
		and parents for the improvement of the	providers, are the				
		quality of life of human beings and their	main beneficiaries.				
		inclusion in society.					



Justice, citizenship	The organisational	. Strengthening the participation of	. Leaders of partner	1 992	National Association	N'djili, N'sele,	01. 2017
and political	and technical skills	people with disabilities, their families	disability		of Parents of	Bumbu and	12.2021
participation :	of DPOs in	and their representative organisations	organisations		Mentally	Selembao	DGD
	Kinshasa are being	(DPOs) in society and fostering their	. Community leaders		Handicapped		UNICEF
Support to	strengthened with	involvement in the promotion of their	. The authorities.		Children of Congo		
association	a view to a better	rights.	. Civil society		(ANAPEHMCO)		
("Nothing for us	representation of all	Capacity building of people with	organisations		. Association of the		
without us" in the	people with	disabilities living in local communities in	. People with		Deaf of Kinshasa		
city of Kinshasa)	disabilities.	HI's areas of intervention in Kinshasa to	disabilities benefiting		(ASSOUKIN		
		play an active role in facilitating their	from various training		. Platform of		
		inclusion in community activities.	courses, local		Activists and		
		. Advocacy for the inclusion of the	advocacy initiatives,		Defenders of the		
		CRPD guidelines in the legal and	innovative		Rights of Persons		
		institutional framework of the DRC.	community-based		with Disabilities in		
			projects and self-help		Congo (PADPHAC)		
			group activities.		. National Union of		
					the Blind of Congo		
					(UNAC)		
					. Other POs		
					. Ministry of Social		
					Affairs in charge of		
					people living with		
					disabilities and		
					other vulnerable		
					persons		
					. CBM, Viva Salud		



Rehabilitation	To enable people	. Capacity building and improvement of	Health and	1 968	Health Provincial	Ndjili, Nsele,	01.2017
	with disabilities to	the services of the Mama Yemo	rehabilitation		Division	Bumbu and de	12.2021
	benefit from care	(Kinshasa) and CUK fitting workshops.	professionals			Selembao	DGD
	and to increase	. Improving the supply of rehabilitation	. Community relays				UK AID
	their participation	services (physiotherapy and	. People with				MATCH
	and autonomy in	orthopaedic-fitting services)	disabilities requiring				King
	their daily lives.	. Establishing mechanisms to facilitate	functional				Baudouin
		access to rehabilitation services.	rehabilitation care.				Foundation UNICEF
Prevention and	Contribute to	. Data is available to the government	. Vulnerable users	72 824	Congolese	Limete +	01.2017
health: Road safety	reducing the risk of	and stakeholders to analyse, plan and	. People living near		Organisation for the	public	12.2021
	road accidents due	evaluate the road safety actions	streets or roads with		Fight against Road	transportation	DGD
Bai Mboka Toteleme	to drunk driving in	implemented.	particularly heavy		Accidents for the	stations in	King
Tobunda na	synergy with	. Strengthening the organisational and	traffic		Reduction of their	Kinshasa	Baudouin
Makama ya Mituka	NGOs, the Police	operational capacities of civil society	. Researchers		Effects		Foundation
	and the CNPR in	organisations working in the field of RH	. Local road safety		. Road Prevention		
	the commune of	to implement actions to promote Road	NGOs		Support		
	Limete.	Safety	. Authorities in charge		Commission		
		. Strengthening the technical capacity	of road safety		. National Road		
		of the road police and setting up			Prevention		
		mechanisms for monitoring traffic			Commission		
		offences in the municipality of Limete.			. International		
					Organization for		
					Road Safety		



Prevention and	PCI/HEA response	. Strengthening the capacity and quality	. Health providers	85 137	Bumbu	Selembao,	05.2020
Prevention and Health: Maternal and Child Health	PCI/HEA response to COVID-19 in 20 health facilities and communities in the health zones of Selembao, Bumbu and Ndjili.	. Strengthening the capacity and quality of patient care in order to limit the impact of Covid-19 on 20 health facilities in 3 targeted health zones evaluated in Infection Prevention and Control (ICP). . Raising awareness in the community, particularly among people with disabilities, pregnant women and children, of the barriers to VIDOC-19 and the importance of continuing to attend maternal and child health	. Health providers from Bumbu, Selembao and Ndjili Health Facilities . Community workers in Bumbu, Selembao and Ndjili General population of Bumbu, Selembao and Ndjili . People with disabilities from	85 137	Bumbu Selembao Ndjili People with disabilities organisations	Selembao, Bumbu and Ndjili	05.2020 11.2020 UNICEF DGD
		consultations. Transport of patients suspected of being contaminated with VIDOC-19 to treatment facilities.	accommodation sites in Ndjili				
Atlas Logistique: Co-Facilitation of the DRC National Logistics Cluster	Strengthen the Logistics Cluster to enable it to provide better support to humanitarian actors in DRC as part of its strategic deployment.	. Support from the National Logistics Cluster Coordinator . Technical training in logistics . National NGO capacity building (Training on writing logistics projects)	Organisations members of the logistic cluster	63	N/A	Pays – RDC	11.2019 10.2020 Humanitaria n Fund - DRC



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