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Preface

This bibliography was produced quickly by the Army Geospatial Center (See: http://www.agc.army.mil/Haiti/index.html) in response to the humanitarian crisis caused by the massive magnitude 7.0 earthquake which struck Haiti in January 2010 with an epicenter about 15 km southwest of the capital, Port-au-Prince. An estimated 2 million people live within the zone of heavy to moderate structural damage. The earthquake is assessed as the worst in this region over the last 200 years.

In support of national response efforts led by the U.S. State Department, the U.S. Agency for International Development, and U.S. Southern Command, and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has deployed an initial team of four engineers in response to the earthquake in Haiti. The team includes subject matter experts in civil, structural, electrical, and hydrological engineering. Two additional eight-person Forward Engineer Support Teams from USACE’s South Atlantic Division and two platoons of the 249th Engineer Battalion, approximately 40 Soldiers, were placed on alert and ready to deploy. The 249th Engineer Battalion, known as the “Army’s Power Company,” supplies commercial grade power-related technical services to installations and disaster-relief operations. USACE’s South Atlantic Division has identified and is preparing additional structural engineers for deployment if called upon.

In support of this effort, the US Army Corps of Engineers’ Army Geospatial Center (AGC) has scanned a number of geological and hydrological maps of Haiti to assist the disaster planners on this mission. This data is used to select locations for supply dumps, emergency hospital locations, sanitation and clean water supplies. Other data on trafficability, transportation and terrain helped with the airlifting of supplies, evacuating the injured, and the prevention of bottlenecks in air, land and water traffic.

The AGC web page has also helped civilian relief agencies in their efforts. The data are available around the world, and the US government, the United Nations and a number of non-governmental organizations have made use of this data in their humanitarian relief efforts.

Some copyrighted and sensitive materials have been placed behind the PKI site, and are available only to US government civilian and military personnel with CAC.
access and for official use only. However, most of the information on the webpage is from open sources, and thus is available to anyone.

Special thanks are given to all those people outside of the Army Geospatial Center who helped in this emergency project. They include the Reference Staff of the US Geological Survey Library who replied promptly to our requests and made their services so accessible (http://library.usgs.gov/); the public services staff of the Defense Technical Information Center (DTIC) who responded so quickly to our requests, and bent over backwards to make their information available online to the public (http://www.dtic.mil/dtic/index.html); and to the Reference Staff of the Geography and Map Division, The Library of Congress (http://www.loc.gov/rr/geogmap/).
Introduction

The Physical Features of Haiti

Haiti is a country of about 28,000 square kilometers, and is about the size of the state of Maryland. It occupies the western third of the Caribbean island of Hispaniola (La Isla Española); the Dominican Republic takes up the eastern two-thirds and borders Haiti on the east. A series of treaties and protocols—the most recent of which was the Protocol of Revision of 1936—set the 388 kilometer long eastern border, which is formed partly by the Pedernales River in the south and the Massacre River in the north.

The Dominican Republic is Haiti’s only land border. To the south and west it is bordered by the Caribbean and to the north by the Atlantic Ocean. Cuba lies some 50 miles (80 km) west of Haiti’s northern peninsula, across the Windward Passage, a strait connecting the Atlantic to the Caribbean. Jamaica is some 120 miles (190 km) west of the southern peninsula, across the Jamaica Channel, and Great Inagua Island (of The Bahamas) lies roughly 70 miles (110 km) to the north. Haiti claims sovereignty over Navassa (Navase) Island, an uninhabited U.S.-administered islet about 35 miles (55 km) to the west in the Jamaica Channel.

Haiti is shaped like a horseshoe on its side with prominent peninsulas in both the north and the south, and a coastline of 1,771 kilometers long. Its shores are generally rocky, rimmed with cliffs, and indented by a number of excellent natural harbours. The surrounding seas are renowned for their coral reefs. Located between the peninsulas is the Ile de la Gonâve. Northwest of the northern peninsula is the Windward Passage, a strip of water that separates Haiti from Cuba, which is about ninety kilometers away.

Haiti operates five hours behind Greenwich Mean Time (GMT).

Topography:

The generally rugged topography of central and western Hispaniola is reflected in Haiti’s name, which derives from the indigenous Arawak place-name Ayti (“Mountainous Land”). Five mountain ranges define Haiti’s topography, dividing the country into three regions: the northern region, which includes the northern peninsula; the central region; and the southern region, which includes the southern peninsula. The backbone of the island of Hispaniola consists of four major mountain ranges that extend from west to east.

Haiti’s mountains are mainly limestone, although some volcanic formations can be found, particularly in the Massif du Nord. Karstic features, such as limestone caves, grottoes, and subterranean rivers, are present in many parts of the country.

Although Haiti is mostly mountainous, the mountain ranges alternate with fertile but overpopulated lowlands. Haiti’s tropical climate is modified by the mountains and subject to periodic droughts and hurricanes.

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1 The data in this introductory section are collected from a number of open literature and common knowledge publications and resources, such as various almanacs, AGI’s “Glossary of Geology”, various geographical dictionaries and gazetteers; encyclopedias such as the World Survey of Climatology, the Encyclopedia Britannica, Encarta, Water Encyclopedia, etc.; open source government publications and websites from the US Department of State, the Library of Congress, the Defense Technical Information Center, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the UN and many others; the CIA Factbook, and several different reports, articles and books on Haiti from federal government geological and geographical resources.
The lowest point is the Caribbean Sea at 0 meters and the highest peak, the Morne de la Selle, is located in the south, and reaches an altitude of 2,715 meters. Slopes of mountains with more than a 20 percent grade cover nearly two-thirds of the country.

Haiti’s irregular coastline forms a long, slender peninsula in the south and a shorter one in the north, separated by the triangular-shaped Gulf of Gonâve. Within the gulf lies Gonâve Island which has an area of approximately 290 square miles (750 square km). There are no navigable rivers in Haiti. The largest lake is Etang Saumâtre, a salt-water body located in southern region.

Lowland plains, which are quite limited in extent, are the most productive agricultural lands and the most densely populated areas. Plains constitute only about 20 percent of Haiti’s land, making cultivation difficult.

Northern Region:

The northern region has the country’s largest coastal plain, the Plaine du Nord (Northern Plain), which covers an area of 2,000 square kilometers. The Plaine du Nord lies along the northern border with the Dominican Republic, between the Massif du Nord and the North Atlantic Ocean. This lowland area of 2,000 square kilometers is about 150 kilometers long and 30 kilometers wide.

The north’s major mountain range, the Massif du Nord (Northern Massif), buttresses this plain. It is a series of parallel chains known in the Dominican Republic as the Cordillera Central. This is an extension of the central mountain range in the Dominican Republic, which begins at Haiti’s eastern border, north of the Guayamouc River, and extends to the northwest through the northern peninsula. The Massif du Nord ranges in elevation from 600 to 1,100 meters and has an average elevation of some 4,000 feet (1,200 metres). The Citadel (Citadelle Laferrière), a fortress built by Haitian ruler Henry Christophe in the early 19th century, stands atop one of the peaks overlooking the city of Cap-Haïtien and the narrow coastal plain.

Central Region:

The central region of Haiti consists of two plains and two sets of mountain ranges. The Plateau Central (Central Plateau) extends along both sides of the Guayamouc River, south of the Massif du Nord. It runs eighty-five kilometers from southeast to northwest and is thirty kilometers wide. This interior basin is known as the San Juan Valley in the Dominican Republic and covers an area of more than 2,500 square kilometers. In Haiti it occupies about 150 square miles (390 square km) in the centre of the country. The Guayamouc River splits the Central Plateau and provides some of the country’s most fertile soil. The plateau has an average elevation of about 1,000 feet (300 metres), and access to it is difficult through winding roads. (See Transportation and Trafficability.)

The Department du Centre, Haiti's Centre Department is one of the ten Departments of Haiti, and is located in the center of the country, along the border with the Dominican Republic. This Haiti Department is also known as “The Plateau Central”. It has an area of 3,675 km² and a population of 564,200 (2002). Its capital is Hinche. It borders the Dominican Republic to the east. The Centre department is divided into 4 arrondissements: Cerca la Source; Hinche; Lascahobas and Mirebalais.2

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To the southwest of the Plateau Central are the Montagnes Noires, with elevations of up to approximately 600 meters. It is bounded by two minor mountain ranges on the west and south—respectively, the Cahos Mountains and the Noires Mountains.

Southwest of the Montagnes Noires and oriented around the Artibonite River is the Plaine de l’Artibonite, measuring about 800 square kilometers. South of this plain lies the third major range, known as the Matheux Mountains (Chaîne des Matheux) in west-central Haiti and the Trou d’Eau Mountains (Chaîne du Trou d’Eau) farther east, corresponds to the Sierra de Neiba in the Dominican Republic. The range forms the northern boundary to the narrow Cul-de-Sac Plain, which is immediately adjacent to Port-au-Prince and includes the brackish Lake Saumâtre on the Dominican border. (The Plaine du Cul-de-Sac is a natural depression, twelve kilometers wide that extends thirty-two kilometers from the border with the Dominican Republic to the coast of the Baie de Port-au-Prince.)

Southern Region:

Haiti’s southern region contains a series of small coastal plains as well as the mountains of the Massif de la Selle. It encompasses both of Haiti’s highest point Montagne Terrible, 2,684 meters, and the Plaine du Cul-de-Sac, which is a natural depression 12 kilometers wide and 32 kilometers wide.

South of the Cul-de-Sac Plain is the fourth major range, called the Massif de la Selle in Haiti and the Sierra de Baoruco in the Dominican Republic. It rises to 8,773 feet (2,674 metres) at Mount Selle, the highest point in the country. The mountains of the southern peninsula, an extension of the southern mountain chain of the Dominican Republic (the Sierra de Baoruco), extend from the Massif de la Selle in the east to the Massif de la Hotte in the west. The range’s highest peak, the Morne de la Selle, is the highest point in Haiti, rising to an altitude of 2,715 meters. The Massif de la Hotte varies in elevation from 1,270 to 2,255 meters.

The range’s western extension on the southern peninsula is called the Massif de la Hotte (also known as Massif du Sud), which rises to 7,700 feet (2,345 metres) at Macaya Peak. The Cayes Plain lies on the coast to the southeast of the peak.

Islands:

Haiti’s land area includes numerous small islands as well as four large islands: Île de la Gonâve to the west, Île de la Tortue (Tortuga Island) off the north coast, and Île à Vache and Grande Cayemite, are situated, respectively, south and north of the southern peninsula.

Île de la Gonâve is sixty kilometers long and fifteen kilometers wide with an area of approximately 290 square miles (750 square km). The hills that cross the island rise to heights of up to 760 meters.

Île de la Tortue is located north of the northern peninsula, separated from the city of Port-de-Paix by a twelve-kilometer channel. The most northerly mountain range, known as the Cordillera Septentrional in the Dominican Republic, occurs in Haiti only on Tortue Island, off the northern coast. Tortue Island has an area of about 70 square miles (180 square km). In the 17th century it was a stronghold of privateers and pirates from various countries.
Caves of Haiti:

Haiti has karst areas throughout most of its surface area, notably in the Hotte range in the south. In fact, “haiti” is also the local term for cone karst. Although caves have been long known in that country, and were often used for religious purposes, most of the exploration and documentation of the caves of Haiti comes from the 1980 Expédition Spéléologique Française (E.S.F.), led by Alan Oddou (Bull. Centre Méditerranéen de Spél., 1980, 2: “Contribution à la Connaissance Spéléologique de la République d’Haïti.”) 33 pages. Their work was facilitated by the previous geological studies of J. Butterlin.

Short caves:
- bim Séjourné (vallée de Jacmel) 167 meters deep, altitude 710 meters
- trouin Sene (massif de la Selle, Seguin) 92 meters deep
- trouin Seguin (massif de la Selle, Seguin) 72 meters deep
- trou Maïo 1 oe Nan Cadet (massif de la Selle, Seguin) 65 meters deep
- trouin de la Scierie (massif de la Selle, Seguin) 63 meters deep

Long Caves:
- Trouin Sene (Massif de la Selle, Seguin) 1,668 meters deep
- Grotte de Port à Piment (massif du Macaya, Port à Piment) 1,000 meters deep
- Grotte de Conoubois (Camp Perrin) approx 900 meters deep.


Seismic Activity:

A long fault line crosses the southern peninsula and passes just south of Port-au-Prince. Haiti is subject to periodic seismic activity; earthquakes destroyed Cap-Haïtien in 1842 and Port-au-Prince in 1751 and 1770.

Figure 2 Aerial view of buildings in Port-au-Prince damaged by the earthquake. Source: U.S. Navy/Mass Communication Specialist 2nd Class Chelsea Kennedy

Buildings collapsed throughout the capital and surrounding region, including many homes as well as large public structures such as the National Palace, the city’s cathedral, and hospitals. Estimates of the number of people killed ranged upwards of 200,000, and several hundred thousand others were injured. More than a million people were made

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homeless. To the west of the capital, near the quake’s epicentre, the city of Léogâne was almost completely ruined.

Weather and Climate:

Haiti’s is a generally hot and humid tropical climate; semiarid where the mountains in east cut off the trade winds. The north wind brings fog and drizzle, which interrupt Haiti’s dry season from November to January. But during February through May, the weather is very wet. Northeast trade winds bring rains during the wet season.

Haiti is characterized by diurnal temperature variations that are greater than the annual variations and are modified by elevation. Average temperatures range from the high 70s F (about 25°C) in January and February to the mid-80s F (about 30°C) in July and August. The village of Kenscoff, at some 4,700 feet (1,430 metres), has an average temperature of about 60°F (16°C), whereas Port-au-Prince, at sea level, has an average of 79°F (26°C). In winter, frost can occur at high elevations.

Because it is located on the leeward side of the island the influence of humid trade winds is not as great as in the Dominican Republic. The more humid districts are found on the northern and eastern slopes of the mountains. Some portions of the island receive less than 28 inches (700 mm) of rainfall per year. The northwestern peninsula and Gonâve Island are particularly dry. Some regions have two rainy seasons, lasting from April to June and from August to October, whereas other regions experience rainfall from May to November. Annual variations of precipitation can cause droughts, widespread crop failures, and famine.

Haiti lies in the middle of the hurricane belt and is subject to severe storms from June to October, occasional flooding and periodic droughts. The southern peninsula, which is more vulnerable to hurricanes (tropical cyclones) than other parts of Haiti, suffered heavy damage from Hurricanes Allen (1980), Gilbert (1988), and Georges (1998). All parts of the country, however, can be hit by tropical storms and hurricanes. During the 2008 hurricane season, the country was struck by three tropical storms and one hurricane that resulted in torrential rains, extensive flooding and mudslides, and hundreds of reported casualties. The lack of government infrastructure and rescue services, combined with impassable roads and bridges, severely hindered rescue and relief efforts. Casualties were estimated at some 800 lives.

Daily weather information in Haiti is available from national and international media. The Haitian meteorological service provides hurricane warnings via national radio. Most information local media broadcast only in Kreyol and/or French. Warnings are also available on the Internet from many sources.

The average annual rainfall is 140 to 200 centimeters, but it is unevenly distributed. Heavier rainfall occurs in the southern peninsula and in the northern plains and mountains. Rainfall decreases from east to west across the northern peninsula. The eastern central region receives a moderate amount of precipitation, while the western coast from the northern peninsula to Port-au-Prince, the capital, is relatively dry. Temperatures are almost always high in the lowland areas, ranging from 15° C to 25° C in the winter and from 25° C to 35° C during the summer.
Mining and Economic Geology:

Endowed with few commercially valuable natural resources, Haiti maintained only a small mining sector in the late 1980s; mining accounted for less than 1% of GDP, and it employed less than 1% of the labor force. Mining activity in the late 1980s mostly focused on raw materials for the construction industry.

Natural resources of Haiti include bauxite, copper, calcium carbonate, gold, marble and hydropower. Haiti contains relatively small amounts of gold, silver, antimony, tin, lignite, sulphur, coal, nickel, gypsum, limestone, manganese, marble, iron, tungsten, salt, clay, and various building stones.

Gold and copper are found in small quantities in the north of the country. The government announced the discovery of new gold deposits in the northern peninsula in 1985, but long-standing plans for gold production proceeded slowly. Copper also was mined, beginning in the 1960s, but production of the ore was sporadic.

There are bauxite (aluminum ore) deposits on the southern peninsula, but large-scale mining there was discontinued in 1983. The country’s only bauxite mine, the Miragoâne mine in the southern peninsula, produced an average of 500,000 tons of bauxite a year in the early 1980s; however, in 1982 the declining metal content of the ore, high production costs, and the oversupplied international bauxite market forced the mine to close. Bauxite had at one time been the country’s second leading export.

Haiti apparently has no hydrocarbon resources on land or in the Gulf of Gonâve and is therefore heavily dependent on energy imports (petroleum and petroleum products).

Agriculture:

The poorest country in the Americas, Haiti has a developing market economy based in large part on agriculture and light industries. Coffee is the main cash crop. Agriculture dominates the economy, but the domestic food supply has not kept pace with demand. As much as one-fifth of the food consumed in Haiti is imported or, sometimes, smuggled from the Dominican Republic or the United States; the imports have lowered overall food prices in Haiti, thereby further impoverishing the nation’s struggling farmers and compelling more people to migrate to urban areas.

Agriculture employed 65 percent of labor force and accounted for 35 percent of GDP and 24 percent of exports in late 1980s. Production suffered from severe deforestation and erosion, primitive techniques, land fragmentation, and lack of public and private investment. Coffee was the leading export (a mild Arabica), but production consistently fell below country’s export quota as determined by International Coffee Organization. Other cash crops included sugar, cocoa, sisal, and cotton. Real per capita production of food crops declined during 1980s, necessitating high levels of basic grains imports.

Common agricultural products include coffee, mangoes, sugarcane, rice, corn, sorghum, and wood. Many farmers concentrate on subsistence crops, including cassava (manioc), plantains and bananas, corn (maize), yams and sweet potatoes, and rice. Some foodstuffs are sold in rural markets and along roads. Haitian farmers sell it through a system of intermediaries, speculators, and merchant houses. Sugarcane is the second major cash crop, but since the late 1970s Haiti has been a net importer of sugar.
Goats and cattle are the most common livestock, with smaller numbers of pigs and horses. There is some poultry production. Following a massive outbreak of African swine fever in Haiti in the late 1970s, the country’s entire Creole pig population was exterminated by 1982. This deprived many peasants of their only asset, although other pig breeds were subsequently imported as replacements.

Haiti’s soils and fishing zones are threatened. Only about 28.11% of the land is arable, permanent crops cover 11.53% of the land, and 60.36% has other uses (2005). Major problems include soil erosion (particularly on mountain slopes, which are seldom terraced), recurrent drought, an absence of irrigation, extensive deforestation (much of the remaining forested land is being cleared for agriculture and used as fuel), and inadequate supplies of potable water.

The soils in the mountains are thin and lose fertility quickly when cultivated. The lower hills are covered with red clays and loams. The alluvial soils of the plains and valleys are fertile but overcultivated, owing to high population densities in those areas. Deforestation has caused much soil erosion, and as much as one-third of Haiti’s land may have eroded beyond recovery.

Traditionally, Haitians have not exploited their fishing resources; because of the postindependence practice of living in the interior—away from the threat of a French invasion—Haitians have depended on agriculture rather than fishing for subsistence. There are some fisheries, however, in small ponds and various canals throughout Haiti. Although most fishing boats are small and poorly equipped, the potential for a commercial fishing industry does exist: the north-flowing currents off the coasts of Haiti carry major migrations of such deep-sea fish as bonitos, marlins, sardines, and tuna.

Deforestation in Haiti is a serious problem that began with a high need for fuel for processing sugarcane during the French colonial period and continues to the present day with an intensified demand for charcoal for fuel in Port-au-Prince and other urban areas. Political instability and poor funding have been serious obstacles to efforts to reduce dependency on forests for fuel. A number of large-scale reforestation projects have been planned, but they have been postponed because of social and political unrest and the urgent need to fund other infrastructure projects. Today only a small fraction of Haiti’s land is forested.

From the 17th to the 19th century, much of the natural vegetation was destroyed through clearing for agriculture, grazing, and logging. Deforestation accelerated during the 20th century as population increased, and the forests that once covered the country have been reduced to a tiny proportion of the total land area. Patches of virgin forest remain in the Massif de la Selle, which includes tall pines, and in the Massif de la Hotte, where an evergreen forest with giant tree ferns and orchids stands on the slopes of Macaya Peak. Bayahondes (a type of mesquite), cacti, and acacias form thorny woods on the dry plains. The mangrove swamps on the coast have also declined rapidly, as their trees have been overexploited for firewood and for the production of charcoal.

One writer said: “Today less than 4 percent of Haiti’s forests remain, and in many places the soil has eroded right down to the bedrock. From 1991 to 2002, food production per capita actually fell 30 percent.” Further on, he wrote: “Tè a fatige,” said 70 percent of
Haitian farmers in a recent survey when asked about the major agricultural problems they faced. “The earth is tired.”

With the retreat of natural vegetation, wildlife has lost its habitat and shelter. Wild boars, guinea fowls, and wild ducks are no longer present, but caimans still inhabit rivers of the southern peninsula, and some flamingos are found on Gonâve Island, where they are often hunted. Little has been done to conserve Haiti’s flora and fauna, and few national or regional parks have been established. The lack of conservation measures has been particularly damaging for coral formations and the animal life associated with them.

Demographics and population:
The estimated population of Haiti is about 9,035,000 people, about 95% of whom are black and about 5% of who are either mulatto or white. Estimates for this country explicitly take into account the effects of excess mortality due to AIDS; this can result in lower life expectancy, higher infant mortality, higher death rates, lower population growth rates, and changes in the distribution of population by age and sex than would otherwise be expected (July 2009 est.).

The life expectancy at birth for the total population is 60.78 years; 59.13 years for males and 62.48 years for females (2009 est.). Haiti’s death rate is high, mainly because of the prevalence of infectious and parasitic diseases, diseases of the circulatory system, and conditions associated with malnutrition. Moreover, Haiti has a higher incidence of HIV infection and AIDS and a higher infant mortality rate than any other country in the Western Hemisphere.

Most people living in Haiti are at a high risk for major infectious diseases. Food or waterborne diseases include bacterial and protozoal diarrhea, hepatitis A and E, and typhoid fever; common vectorborne diseases are dengue fever and malaria; water contact diseases include leptospirosis (2009).

Roughly three-fourths of Haitian households lack running water. Unsafe water—along with inadequate housing and unsanitary living conditions—contributes to the high incidence of infectious diseases. There is a chronic shortage of health care personnel, and hospitals lack resources, a situation that became readily apparent after the January 2010 earthquake.

Languages:
Creole (official), Haitian Creole (Kweyol, or Kreyol), and French are Haiti’s official languages. All Haitians speak Creole, but only about 10% of the people speak French fluently. English and Spanish are increasingly used as second languages among the young and in the business sector.

Creole is normally used in daily life, and French is used in more formal circumstances. However, written Creole is not widely accepted, because the school system retains French as the main language of instruction. Most of the vocabulary of Haitian Creole is derived from French, but in its syntax it is similar to the Creole languages of the Caribbean and the Indian Ocean.

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Religions:
Haiti has no official religion, and the constitution allows for religious freedom. However, Vodou (Voodoo, or Vodun), a religion whose gods (*lwa*) are derived from West African religions, has been officially sanctioned by the government as of April 2003, and Roman Catholicism, the dominant sect of Christianity, has been given special government recognition.

Most Haitian Roman Catholics are also practitioners of Vodou. However, most of the country’s Protestants consider Christianity to be incompatible with Vodou. In addition to the older Protestant denominations established in the early 19th century (Methodists, Episcopalians, and Presbyterians), Baptists, Seventh-day Adventists, and Mormons came to Haiti during and after the period when the United States occupied the country (1915–34).

About 80% of the population is Roman Catholic, 16% Protestant (Baptist 10%, Pentecostal 4%, Adventist 1%, other 1%), 1% none, 3% other. Liberation theology continues to have some influence in religious life, notably in the shantytown areas of Port-au-Prince and other towns. Increasing numbers of Haitians have converted to Protestantism through the work of missionaries active throughout the country.

Economy:
Haiti is the poorest country in the Western Hemisphere with 80% of the population living under the poverty line and 54% in abject poverty. Two-thirds of all Haitians depend on the agricultural sector, mainly small-scale subsistence farming, and remain vulnerable to damage from frequent natural disasters, exacerbated by the country’s widespread deforestation.

While the economy has recovered in recent years, registering positive growth since 2005, four tropical storms in 2008 severely damaged the transportation infrastructure and agricultural sector. US economic engagement under the Haitian Hemispheric Opportunity through Partnership Encouragement (HOPE) Act, passed in December 2006, has boosted apparel exports and investment by providing tariff-free access to the US. A second version of the legislation, passed in October 2008 and dubbed HOPE II, has further improved the export environment for the apparel sector by extending preferences to 2018; the apparel sector accounts for two-thirds of Haitian exports and nearly one-tenth of GDP. Remittances are the primary source of foreign exchange, equaling nearly a quarter of GDP and more than twice the earnings from exports.

Haiti suffers from a lack of investment because of financial insecurity and limited infrastructure, and a severe trade deficit. In 2005, Haiti paid its arrears to the World Bank, paving the way for reengagement with the Bank. Haiti received debt forgiveness for about $525 million of its debt through the Highly-Indebted Poor Country (HIPC) initiative in 2009. The government relies on formal international economic assistance for fiscal sustainability.

Electricity production: 448 million kWh (2007 est.). Hydroelectricity provides roughly half of the power generated in the country, the remainder coming from thermal (mainly coal-fired) plants, especially in Port-au-Prince. However, the power supply is not
sufficient to satisfy current needs, and the main sources of energy for cooking are firewood and charcoal.

The World Bank gave this estimation of Haiti’s electrical production in 2008: “In Haiti, the production, transport and distribution of electricity is the responsibility of EDH (Electricité d’Haiti), a public commercial company that is under the supervision of the MTPTC. Currently, the company provides electricity to 184,000 customers- who represent about 10 percent of the population. There has long been no maintenance. Thus, from an installed productive capacity of 220 MWh, the company now produces 60 MWh. EDH also faces a high number of illegal connections. The losses due to these illegal connection are estimated to be about 30 to 40 percent of the output.”

Oil consumption: 12,000 bbl/day (2008 estimate).

Telephone: There are roughly 108,000 main lines in use and 3.2 million mobile/cellular lines (2008). Telecommunications infrastructure in Haiti is among the least developed in Latin America and the Caribbean; domestic facilities are barely adequate and international facilities are only slightly better. Mobile-cellular telephone services are expanding rapidly due, in part, to the introduction of low-cost GSM phones, and mobile-cellular teledensity exceeded 35 per 100 persons in 2008. Telephone domestic: coaxial cable and microwave radio relay trunk service; international: country code - 509; satellite earth station - 1 Intelsat (Atlantic Ocean). The website for the Consel National des Télécommunications (CONATEL) is in French: http://www.conatel.gouv.ht/

The radio broadcast stations in Haiti are: 41 AM stations, 53 FM stations and 0 shortwave stations (2009).

The Internet country code: .ht; Internet hosts: 9 (2009); Internet users: 1 million (2008).

Transportation and trafficability:

The roads from Port-au-Prince to Cap-Haïtien, Les Cayes, and Jacmel have been paved but are not regularly repaired, and city streets are notorious for their many deep potholes. Most inland transportation is hampered by rough roads that may become impassable in inclement weather. Trucks and buses offer irregular and costly service from Port-au-Prince to the provincial towns. There is no railway service. The primary means by which the rural population travels are on foot, by bicycle, by public bus (known as a “tap-tap” in Haiti), or by donkey. The latter mode is also commonly used to transport goods.

Airports: 14 (2009). Airports with paved runways total 4; one that is between 2,438 to 3,047 m and three airports with runways between 914 and 1,523 m (2009). Airports with unpaved runways total 10; two are between 914 and 1,523 m and eight are under 914 m (2009). Haiti has two international airports, the principal one at Port-au-Prince and another at Cap-Haïtien. Outside of Léogâne, a makeshift airstrip has been set up on part of Route 9, a highway of the commune, able to handle small planes (2010).

The U.S. Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) has assessed the government of Haiti’s Civil Aviation Authority as not being in compliance with International Civil

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Aviation Organization (ICAO) aviation safety standards for oversight of Haiti’s air carrier operations.

Railroads: N/A. There are currently no functioning railways in Haiti except for transporting sugarcane. There are no rail connections with the neighbouring Dominican Republic. In the past Haiti used railroads, but today they are no longer in use due to other forms of transportation that have become available. In the past, horse tramways, steam railways and industrial tracks were used. Their dates of closure are unknown.

Roads and highways: total: 4,160 km; paved: 1,011 km; unpaved: 3,149 km (2000).

The World Bank gives this assessment of the roads in Haiti in 2008: “The road network: The Haitian transport network is not only insufficiently developed but it deteriorated significantly in the decade before 2004. That decade has seen the transport network in constant degradation. In 2004, according to the MTPTC, the road network consisted of 3,400 km of roads, of which only 18 percent were paved. This network consists of 20.3 percent of primary roads (routes nationales), 44.4 percent of secondary roads (routes départementales) and 35.4 percent of tertiary roads (routes communales) that link the rural communities to the secondary road network. Furthermore, only 20 percent of these roads are considered to be in acceptable condition. To address the maintenance issue, an autonomous entity— the Fonds d’Entretien Routier (FER)— has been progressively put in place from 2003 to ensure maintenance in this sector. The FER benefits from earmarked funds (coming from taxes on gasoline, car licenses, etc.) transferred directly by the MEF and act as a donor on issues regarding road maintenance (MTPTC plans and contracts while the FER finances). But this executing system has experienced some delays mainly due to a lack of planning and executing capacity of the MTPTC.”

Haiti has two main highways that run from one end of the country to the other. The northern highway, Route Nationale #1 (National Highway One), originates in Port-au-Prince, winding through the coastal towns of Montrouis and Gonaïves, before reaching its terminus at the northern port Cap-Haïtien. The southern highway, Route Nationale #2, links Port-au-Prince with Les Cayes via Léogâne and Petit Goâve. Maintenance for these roads lapsed after the 1991 coup, prompting the World Bank to loan USD 50 million designated for road repairs. The project was canceled in January 2006.

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1999, however, after auditors revealed corruption. Haiti also has a third major highway, the Route Nationale #3, which connects Port-au-Prince to Cap-Haitien via the towns of Mirebalais and Hinche. This route links the capital and Le Cap to the central plateau; however, due to its poor condition, it sees limited use. The most common form of public transportation in Haiti is the use of brightly painted pickup trucks as taxis called “tap-taps.” They are named this because when a passenger needs to be let off they use their coin money to tap the side of the vehicle and the driver usually stops. Most tap-taps are fairly priced at around 10-15 gourdes per ride within a city. The catch to the price is that the driver will often fill a truck to maximum capacity, which is nearly 20 to 30 people.

“Due to decades of deterioration of Haiti’s road network, the 250-km drive from Port-au-Prince to Cap Haitien, the largest city on the northern coast, can take up to seven hours on RN1, the country’s main highway.”

TRAFFIC SAFETY AND ROAD CONDITIONS: While in a foreign country, U.S. citizens may encounter road conditions that differ significantly from those in the United States. The information below concerning Haiti is provided for general reference only, and may not be totally accurate in a particular location or circumstance. Cars are supposed to be driven on the right side of the road in Haiti, but few roads have lane indicators and drivers use whatever part of the road is open to them, even if it is not the correct side of the road. Traffic is extremely congested in urban areas, and hours-long traffic jams develop throughout the country.

Driving in Haiti must be undertaken with extreme caution. The situation on the roads can be described as chaotic at best, and it is advisable for those with no knowledge of Haitian roads and traffic customs to hire a driver through a local hotel. Roads are generally unmarked, and detailed and accurate maps are not widely available. Lanes are not marked and signs indicating the direction of traffic flow seldom exist. This lack of organization, along with huge potholes that appear without warning, may cause drivers to execute unpredictable and dangerous maneuvers in heavy traffic. The Haitian government lacks adequate resources to assist drivers in distress or to clear the road of accidents or broken-down vehicles blocking the flow of traffic. While drinking and driving is illegal in Haiti, people frequently drive after drinking, especially at night.

Public transportation, as it is usually defined, does not exist in Haiti. While Haitians use buses, “tap-taps,” and taxis, which may observe regular routes, much like public transportation, none of these should be considered reliable. The Embassy strongly discourages their use.

Those who drive in Haiti should do so defensively and conservatively, avoid confrontations such as jockeying for position, and

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remain aware of the vehicles around them. Drivers should carry the phone numbers of people to call for assistance in an emergency, as Haitian authorities are unlikely to respond to requests for assistance. When traveling outside of Port-au-Prince, drivers should caravan with other vehicles to avoid being stranded in the event of an accident or breakdown.

Although Haitian law requires that applicants pass both a written and a driving test to qualify for a drivers license, many Haitian drivers appear unaware of traffic laws. Signaling imminent actions is not widely practiced and not all drivers use turn indicators or international hand signals properly. For instance, many drivers use their left blinker for all actions, including turning right and stopping in the road, and others flap their left arm out the window to indicate that they will be taking an unspecified action. Drivers do not always verify that the road is clear before switching lanes, turning, or merging.

Speed limits are seldom posted and are generally ignored. Speeding is the cause of many fatal traffic accidents in Haiti, as are overloaded vehicles on winding, mountainous roads and vehicles without brakes. Poor maintenance and mechanical failures often cause accidents as well. Drivers should be particularly cautious at night, as unlighted vehicles can appear without warning.

Right of way is not widely observed in Haiti, and there are few operational traffic lights or traffic signs. It is advisable at most intersections to stop and verify that there is no oncoming traffic even if it appears that you have the right of way. Drivers can be quite aggressive and will seldom yield. Walls built to the edge of roads frequently make it impossible to see around corners, forcing drivers to edge their cars into the road at intersections to check for oncoming traffic.

In addition to vehicles, a variety of other objects may appear on the road in Haiti, such as wooden carts dragged by people or animals, small ice cream carts, animals, mechanics working on vehicles parked on the street, and vendors and their wares. Vehicles are often abandoned in the road or by the side of the road. There are few marked crosswalks and sidewalks, and pedestrians often wend their way through traffic in urban areas.8

According to the Washington Post, “Officials from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers said Saturday [January 23, 2010] that they assessed the damage from the Jan. 12 quake in Port-au-Prince, Haiti, and found that many of the roads aren’t any worse than they were before because they’ve always been in poor condition.”9

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Water and Sanitation:

Haiti has an estimated resource of 14 cubic kilometers of freshwater (2000). Freshwater withdrawal for domestic (5%), industrial (1%) and agricultural (94%) use in Haiti is 0.99 cubic kilometers/year; per capita water use is 116 cubic meters/year (2000). Irrigated lands cover 920 square kilometers (2003).

A review of the earthquake’s effects on the water supplies is given in: “National Ground Water Association Inc. Haiti earthquake: A Water Crisis.” Among the effects of the Haiti earthquake is a severe disruption of water resources, including water provided by wells. This Web page furthers the National Ground Water Association’s mission of “advancing groundwater knowledge” by providing resources helpful to earthquake relief agencies, affected government jurisdictions, groundwater professionals involved in the relief effort, the news media, and the public.”

“The Haitian water and sanitation sector is dominated by community-based water committees, and two state-owned companies: The CAMEP (Centrale Autonome Métropolitaine d’Eau Potable), which is in charge of the water supply in Port-au-Prince and the SNEP (Service National pour l’Eau Potable), which is in charge of water supply in secondary towns and rural areas. According to Haiti’s CEM 2006, in 2002, 88 percent of the population had access to an improved water access in areas that are urban and 55 percent in areas that are rural. Service quality is poor with intermittent supply and dubious water quality, forcing those who can afford it to rely on expensive bottled water and water from tanker trucks. No real sewer network exists in Port-au-Prince or in the secondary towns. Existing sanitation facilities are individual and consist of latrines, septic systems and clandestine connections to the storm water drainage system. According to Haiti’s CEM 2006, in 2002, 52 percent of the population had access to sanitation facilities in urban areas and only 23 percent in rural areas of Haiti. The sector is currently under a reform process through a Water and Sanitation Framework Law that is currently being discussed in Parliament. According to the law, regional water and sanitation companies would be created to replace CAMEO and SNEP. As part of the reform process, a General Directorate for Drinking Water and Sanitation (DGEPA) is expected to be created under MTPTC with the task of developing policies and regulate this sector.”

“Too often, municipal water and sanitation services that can effectively reduce microbial diseases have been operated on the assumption that the poor could not afford water and sewer lines. In fact, these potential customers are already allocating a high proportion of the household expenses- 20 percent in Port-au-Prince, Haiti- for water supplied from vendors. Many studies have found that such urban families will not only pay the city to bring safe and reliable drinking water to them, but will pay for waste water removal as well.”

“Collection of municipal solid waste (MSW) by contract is becoming increasingly common in developing countries, including some of the poorest countries such as Haiti.

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The impetus for seeking private sector involvement in this activity is obvious— the expenditures on MSW service absorbs 20 to 50 percent of total municipal revenue in developing countries, yet on average only 50 to 70 percent of solid wastes are collected.\(^\text{13}\)

Waterways: Numerous rivers and streams, which slow to a trickle during the dry season and which carry torrential flows during the wet season, cross Haiti’s plains and mountainous areas. There are a number of rivers in Haiti, but few of them are navigable.\(^\text{14}\) Many of the rivers of Haiti have not been investigated, nor have scientific reports been made on their volume, resources or water quality.

Rivers that flow into the Atlantic Ocean are the:
- Dajabón River (Massacre River): The Dajabón River (also called the Massacre River) is a river of the Dominican Republic. It forms the northernmost part of the international border between the Dominican Republic and Haiti.
- Rivière du Limbè
- Les Trois Rivières: The most important river in the northern region is Les Trois Rivières, or The Three Rivers. It is 150 kilometers long, has an average width of sixty meters, and is three to four meters deep.
- Rivers that flow into the Gulf of Gonâve:
  - La Quinte River
  - Rivière de l’Estère
  - Artibonite River: The largest drainage system in the country is that of the Artibonite River. Rising as the Libón River in the foothills of the Massif du Nord, the river crosses the border into the Dominican Republic and then forms part of the border before reentering Haiti as the Artibonite River. At the border, the river expands to form the Lac de Péligre in the southern part of the Plateau Central. The 400-kilometer Artibonite River is only one meter deep during the dry season, and it may even dry up completely in certain spots. During the wet season, it is more than three meters deep and subject to flooding. The US Marines crossed and re-crossed this river many times during their long police action in the Dominican Republic in the 1900s.

  The Artibonite River is a 320 km long river in Haiti. It is the longest as well as the most important river in Haiti and the longest on the island of Hispaniola. Its sources are in the Cordillera Central in the Dominican Republic, however most of its length lies in Haiti. It empties into the Gulf of Gonâve. The river is used for irrigation and the Péligre Hydroelectric Dam situated on it produces the country’s supply of hydroelectricity. The Artibonite forms part of the international border between Haiti and the Dominican Republic.

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French Rivière de l’Artibonite, Spanish Río Artibonito river, the longest on the island of Hispaniola. It rises in the Cordillera Central (Cibao Mountains) of the Dominican Republic and flows southwest along the border with Haiti and then west and northwest into Haiti and through the fertile Artibonite Plain to enter the Gulf of La Gonâve after a course of 150 miles (240 km). It is navigable upstream for about 100 miles (160 km) by small craft. Large tracts of irrigated land were developed as part of the Artibonite Valley Agricultural Project.

The Artibonite River is the island’s longest river, and is approximately 175 miles (280 km) long. The Artibonite rises in the western Dominican Republic in the Cordillera Central and follows a southwestward course along the border with Haiti. Its tributaries flow eastward and southward through Haiti’s Central Plateau to a point near the Dominican border, where they join the river proper as it turns westward. The Artibonite then skirts the Noires Mountains as it flows to the Gulf of Gonâve. In eastern Haiti the river was impounded as Lake Pélignre in the mid-20th century; a hydroelectric complex began operating at Pélignre in 1971, but its power output has been unreliable during the dry season. Just upstream from the Artibonite’s delta in the Gulf of Gonâve, some of its waters are used to irrigate the triangular Artibonite Plain.

Rivière de Fer à Cheval
Macasía River: The Macasia River is a river mostly of the Dominican Republic. A part of the river forms a small part of the international border between the Dominican Republic and Haiti.

Guayamouc River: The ninety-five-kilometer Guayamouc River is one of the principal tributaries of the Artibonite River. The Guayamouc River, or the Riviere Guayamouc, is a river in central and eastern Haiti. It rises on the Massif du Nord and flows generally southeast for 113 km into the Artibonite River at the border with the Dominican Republic. It is notable for producing the fertile plain of central Haiti. Notable cities on the Guayamouc include Hinche.

Rivière Bouyaha: Bouyaha River, in French, “Riviere Bouyaha”, is a river flowing through the cities of Dondon, Saint Raphael and Pignon. It is said that the river started in the mountain surrounding the municipalities of Dondon and Marmelade. The Bouyaha river merges with the Guayamouc river in the nearby city of Hinche.

Rivière Canot
Rivière Locaine
Libón River
Rivière de Saint-Marc
Rivière Montrouis
Rivière Blanche
Rivière Grise (Grande Riviere du Cul de Sac)
Momance River

Rivière de Grand Goâve: The Rivière de Grand Goâve is a river in Haiti. The January 12th, 2010, 7.0 tremblor created a landslide which formed a landslide dam blocking the Grand Goâve river, that can potentially contain a large basin of water. With the wet season approaching, there is a fear that a dam collapse would directly outflow the contents behind the dam through the city of Grand-Goâve. The dam is located about a dozen kilometres from the city of Grand-Goâve.

Grand Rivière de Nippes
Grande-Anse River: The Grande-Anse River (French: Rivière de la Grande-Anse) flows through western Haiti and empties into the Gulf of Gonâve at the city of Jérémie. It is one of the largest rivers in Haiti.

Rivers that flow into the Caribbean Sea:
Acul River
Ravine River (Ravine du Sud)
Rivière de Cavaillon
Rivière des Côtes de Fer
Rivière de Bainet
Grand Rivière de Jacmel
Pedernales River: The Pedernales River (Hispaniola) is a river of the Dominican Republic and Haiti. It forms the southernmost part of the international boundary between the Dominican Republic and Haiti.

The most prominent body of water in the southern region is the salt-water Etang Saumâtre, located at the eastern end of the Plaine du Cul-de-Sac. At an elevation of sixteen meters above sea level, the lake is twenty kilometers long and six to fourteen kilometers wide; it has a circumference of eighty-eight kilometers.

Ports and terminals in Haiti are: Cap-Haitien, Gonaïves, Jacmel, Jérémie, Les Cayes, Miragoane, Port-au-Prince, Port-de-Paix, Saint-Marc, Fort Liberte. The two main seaports are at Cap-Haitien and Port-au-Prince. Container facilities at the Port-au-Prince harbour handle most of Haiti’s foreign trade. There are several minor ports, but passenger boat services are limited. Lesser ports include Miragoâne, Les Cayes, Fort Liberté, Gonaïves, and Jérémie.

The port at Port-au-Prince, officially known as the “Port International de Port-au-Prince,” has more registered shipping than any of the over dozen ports in the country. The port’s facilities include cranes, large berths, and warehouses, but these facilities are in universally poor shape. The port is underused, possibly due to the substantially high port fees compared to ports in the Dominican Republic.

Port-au-Prince is the leading commercial port, followed by Cap-Haïtien, which handled most cruise ship traffic. The port of Saint-Marc is currently the preferred port of entry for consumer goods coming into Haiti. Reasons for this may include its location away from volatile and congested Port-au-Prince, as well as its central location relative to a large group of Haitian cities including Cap-Haitien, Carrefour, Delmas, Desarmes, Fond-Parisien, Fort-Liberté, Gonaives, Hinche, l’Artibonite, Limbe, Pétionville, Port-de-Paix, and Verrettes. These cities, together with their surrounding areas, contain about six million of Haïti’s eight million people.

Economy:
Much of the research in the economy pre-dates the current government, and often the most recent statistics of Haiti’s economy are twenty or more years old.

Services: Accounted for 42 percent of the gross domestic product (GDP) in 1987, with 23 percent of labor force employed in the service economy in 1983. Banking and financial services are a major sectoral contributor. Transportation and communications systems are inadequate; tourism dropped off substantially during 1980s.
Currency: The Haitian currency is the Gourde. The official exchange rate is maintained at G5 to US$1 since 1919. Black market trading began in early 1980s in response to high inflation and fiscal shortfalls. The United States dollar is also accepted as legal tender.

Imports: Approximately US$308 million in 1987. Foodstuffs are the leading import item, followed by machinery and transport equipment, manufacturing inputs, and petroleum.

Exports: Approximately US$198 million in 1987. Manufactured goods accounted for more than 50 percent of total, followed by coffee and handicraft items.

Fiscal Year: October 1 through September 30.

Balance of Payments: Current account deficits throughout 1980s, although increased foreign aid flows compensated to some extent in FY1986 and FY1987. Following renewed political instability after unsuccessful elections in November 1987, capital flight and aid cutbacks exacerbated the balance of payments situation.


Manufacturing and Industry:

Industry: Accounted for 23 percent of GDP in 1988, for 53 percent of exports, and for 6 percent of labor force. The most dynamic subsector was assembly manufacturing, mainly for United States market.

Manufacturing was the most dynamic sector of the economy in the 1980s. Growth in this sector had averaged more than 10 percent a year during the 1970s; manufactures replaced agricultural commodities as the country’s leading export goods during this decade. In 1988 manufacturing accounted for 17 percent of GDP and for 53 percent of exports; it employed about 6 percent of the labor force. In addition to the dynamic assembly subsector, which experienced 22 percent real annual growth in the 1970s, included small-scale local manufacturing enterprises and large-scale, state-owned organizations.

Industry suffered in late 1980s because of political instability, country’s failure to compete effectively with other Caribbean and Central American beneficiaries of Caribbean Basin Initiative, high utility rates, infrastructure deficiencies, and shortage of skilled labor.

The manufacturing sector in the late 1980s comprised 500 enterprises, most of which were small or medium in size and family-owned. Their major products included processed foods, electrical equipment, textiles, and clothing. Small enterprises, employing up to 50 workers, represented 57 percent of all manufacturing firms, but they employed only 10 percent of the industrial labor force. Medium enterprises, with 51 to 300 workers, accounted for 35 percent of the sector’s firms and employed 44 percent of the industrial labor force. Large enterprises, those with more than 300 employees, constituted only 8 percent of the companies, but they employed 43 percent of all
manufacturing workers, mostly in large assembly factories in the industrial parks of Port-au-Prince.
Bibliography of Haitian Earth Science

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Alternately, the citations also include information on acquiring these items through document delivery companies and commercial services. Very often, scientific publications in less developed countries are not published in large numbers, and it is very difficult to retrieve reports or maps more than even a few years old. This bibliography is intended to be a resource for those scientific citations on Haiti that can still be retrieved.

Also included, when possible, are the addresses and contact information of the journal authors. Many of these experts could be reached as needed during the crisis for additional information and support.

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AS&T: Applied Science & Technology from H.W. Wilson is a bibliographic database that indexes articles of at least one column in length. English-language periodicals published in the United States and elsewhere are covered; non-English language articles are included if English abstracts are provided. Periodical coverage
includes trade and industrial publications, journals issued by professional and technical societies, and specialized subject periodicals, as well as special issues such as buyers’ guides, directories, and conference proceedings. See: http://www.hwwilson.com/Databases/applieds.htm#Abstracts

ASFA: Aquatic Sciences and Fisheries Abstracts Input to ASFA is provided by a growing international network of information centers monitoring more than 5,000 serial publications, books, reports, conference proceedings, translations, and limited distribution literature. ASFA is a component of the Aquatic Sciences and Fisheries Information System (ASFIS), formed by four United Nations agency sponsors of ASFA and a network of international and national partners. Aquatic Sciences and Fisheries Abstracts are produced by CSA under contract to FAO. See: http://www.csa.com/

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DTIC: Defense Technical Information Center, Alexandria, VA. “The Defense Technical Information Center (DTIC®) serves the Department of Defense (DoD) community as the largest central resource for DoD and government-funded scientific, technical, engineering, and business related information available today. For more than 60 years DTIC has provided the warfighter and researchers, scientists, engineers, laboratories, and universities timely access to over 2 million publications covering over 250 subject areas. Our mission supports the nation's warfighter.” See: www.dtic.mil

ESPM: The CSA Environmental Sciences and Pollution Management database offers access to the international literature in the environmental sciences. Abstracts and citations are drawn from over 6000 serials including scientific journals, conference proceedings, reports, monographs, books and government publications. See: http://www.csa.com/

FAO: Food and Agriculture Organization Library, United Nations, Rome, Italy. See: www.fao.org

GeoBase: GEOBASE is a unique multidisciplinary database supplying bibliographic information and abstracts for development studies, the Earth sciences, ecology, geomechanics, human geography, and oceanography. The database provides current coverage of almost 2,000 international journals, including both peer-reviewed titles and trade publications, and provides archival coverage of several thousand additional journal titles and books. GEOBASE is unequalled in its coverage of international literature of the core scientific and technical periodicals. Papers are selected, read, and classified using a unique classification scheme that is versatile and updated annually to adapt coverage to current research trends. The material covered includes
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GeoRef: see: American Geological Institute, Alexandria, VA, listed above. The American Geological Institute not only identified materials for the abstracting database, GeoRef, but also locates and supplies materials as a document delivery service. See: www.agiweb.org

ISBN: International Standard Book Number. This unique number can be used to identify and locate library holdings of a particular book or report title. See: http://www.isbn.org/standards/home/index.asp

ISSN: International Standard Serial Number. This unique number can be used to locate libraries which have subscriptions to this journal, magazine or serial. See: http://www.issn.org/

LCCN: Library of Congress Control Number. This is a unique number applied by the Library of Congress to identify individual publications. This number can be used to identify copies of this item in libraries held in the US and abroad. See: http://www.loc.gov/marc/lccn_structure.html

LC or LOC: Library of Congress, Geography and Map Division, Washington, DC. The Geography and Map Division has the largest collection in the world, with 5.4 million maps, 75,000 atlases, 500 globes, 3,000 three-dimensional objects and thousands of digital files. Recently, the Library of Congress has digitally scanned and mounted its 10,000th map online. See: http://www.loc.gov/rr/geogmap/

Northwestern University Transportation Library: The Transportation Library was founded in 1958 to support the curricula and research programs of the Transportation Center and the Center for Public Safety of Northwestern University, including the School of Police Staff and Command. Containing over 400,000 items, the Transportation Library of Northwestern University is one of the largest transportation information centers in the world, encompassing information on all transportation modalities, including: air, rail, highway, pipeline, water, urban transport and logistics. Its collection of environmental impact statements is one of the most complete in the world. See: http://www.library.northwestern.edu/transportation/


OCLC: Founded in 1967, OCLC Online Computer Library Center is a nonprofit, membership, computer library service and research organization dedicated to the public purposes of furthering access to the world’s information and reducing information costs. More than 41,555 libraries in 112 countries and territories around the world use OCLC services to locate, acquire, catalog, lend and preserve library materials. Researchers, students, faculty, scholars, professional librarians and other information seekers use
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An on-farm questionnaire-based survey of 1,540 Haitian farmers showed that they considered plot characteristics, including mode of tenure, soil fertility, distance from the residence, and slope in their decisions to install different agroforestry practices. Tenure security and soil fertility appeared to be the most important plot characteristics in the decision to install, although it was not possible to separate them. Hedgerows were more likely to be installed in plots having less secure tenure and less fertile soil; the opposite was true for other agroforestry practices. Farmers’ qualitative assessments of soil fertility were positively correlated with management quality of hedgerows. OCLC Accession Number: 3009881; 47260193. URL: http://proquest.umi.com/pqdweb?did=729038121&Fmt=7&clientId=45714&RQT=309&VName=PQD.

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until tooth extraction is required. Logistic regression analysis showed that dental hygiene and, to a lesser extent, sugar intake, were the principal risk factors for dental caries. Adolescents who consume more than three meals per day and who, presumably, have a higher intake of cariogenic food, present more caries than those who consume less. These schoolchildren meet the objectives of the WHO for dental caries for 2000, but two courses of action are nonetheless necessary: caries prevention and improved access to dental health care. To prevent caries, techniques for increasing the resistance of teeth could be recommended, as in industrialized countries. However, such strategies would be difficult to implement in the rural context of a developing country. The addition of fluoride to drinking water, for example, is not practical as most of the inhabitants of rural areas do not have access to running water. The use of sealing agents, which protect against decay affecting the occlusal surfaces of molars, is also impractical, for financial reasons. Thus, basic measures involving the improvement of dental hygiene and reducing the intake of cariogenic foods remain the principal means of preventing caries. Increasing the accessibility of dental care, like prevention, involves a number of problems. Increasing the number of health centers, or renovating existing clinics requires resources, and possibly infrastructure, that the Haitian state may not be in a position to provide. The recently developed ART (Atraumatic Restoration Treatment) overcomes this problem. This method involves manually cleaning cavities and sealing them with glass ionomer. This product is highly adhesive, which frees dentists from the constraints of having to use rotating electrical equipment. Caries can therefore now be treated in remote areas with a minimum of dental equipment. However, although encouraging results were obtained in a three-year trial in Thailand, the mechanical quality of glass ionomer and its ability to block caries development are unclear. In conclusion, a lack of financial resources limits the possibilities of intervention in developing countries, drawing attention to the important question of the financing of health programs. Funding remains the key to any program and has been shown to be an essential issue in epidemiological studies. Database: SCOPUS. ISSN/ISBN: 11575999.

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were analysed by gas chromatography-mass spectrometry and liquid chromatography-mass spectrometry. The analyses indicated the presence of an alkaline degradation product of tetrodotoxin, namely 2-amino-6-hydroxymethyl-8-hydroxyquinazoline, after base treatment, and of tetrodotoxin and an isomer on direct thermospray mass spectral activity. Database: SCOPUS. ISSN: 0041-0101.

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In both outbreaks, unrefrigerated seafood dishes served at outdoor buffets were epidemiologically incriminated as the vehicles of transmission. Several species of Vibrion, Salmonella, and toxigenic Escherichia coli were recovered from stool specimens of ill passengers in both outbreaks. In addition, invasive Escherichia coli and Shigella were isolated from stool specimens of ill passengers who ate at the Haitian buffet. Previous investigations of outbreaks of gastrointestinal illness aboard cruise ships have implicated exposures on board as the source and have involved only a single pathogen. ISSN: 0090-0036.


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human; male; metabolism; middle aged; rat; refugee; United States; Androgen Antagonists; Animals; Disease Outbreaks; Fibroblasts; Humans; Insecticides; Pyrethrins; Rats; Receptors, Androgen; Refugees. Notes: Cited By (since 1996): 6. Abstract: Objective: To investigate an observed epidemic of gynecomastia among Haitian refugees in US detention centers in 1981 and 1982. Methods: All identifiable environmental exposures were investigated for estrogenic and antiandrogenic activity. Results: A high incidence of gynecomastia was observed among Haitian refugees in five detention centers in the United States. Of 284 men screened, 20 (from 18 to 53 years old) demonstrated new-onset gynecomastia (Tanner stages 2 to 5) in June 1982. The mean onset of gynecomastia was 130 +/- 12 days after arrival in the United States. Other symptoms included loss of libido (in all 20 patients) and decreased beard growth (in 10). Plasma concentrations of luteinizing hormone, follicle-stimulating hormone, prolactin, testosterone, and estradiol were not significantly different from those in 20 age-matched control subjects. Environmental substances, including tap water and the delousing agents Kwell shampoo and R&C Spray (applied to bedding and clothing), were tested for estrogenicity and androgenicity. None of these substances bound to cytosol estrogen receptors. The delousing agents were assayed for androgen binding by using genital skin fibroblasts. R&C Spray competed equally with testosterone for androgen-binding sites. Phenothrin, the “multi-cide” component of R&C Spray, reproduced this competitive binding result. When tested for antiandrogenic effects on prostate growth by using immature male rats treated with testosterone-filled Silastic capsules, phenothrin antagonized androgen action, as demonstrated by decreased prostate weights. Conclusion: The antiandrogenic activity of phenothrin may explain this unusual epidemic of gynecomastia. Database: SCOPUS. ISSN: 1530-891X.

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quality among a sample of PuR registered recipients. We interviewed representatives of 100 households in three rural communities who received PuR registered and PuR registered -related education. Water sources were tested for fecal contamination and turbidity; stored household water was tested for residual chlorine. All households relied on untreated water sources (springs [66%], wells [15%], community taps [13%], and rivers [6%]). After distribution, PuR registered was the most common in-home treatment method (58%) followed by chlorination (30%), plant-based flocculation (6%), boiling (5%), and filtration (1%). Seventy-eight percent of respondents correctly answered five questions about how to use PuR registered; 81% reported PuR registered easy to use; and 97% reported that PuR registered -treated water appears, tastes, and smells better than untreated water. Although water sources tested appeared clear, fecal coliform bacteria were detected in all sources (range 1 - >200 cfu/100ml). Chlorine was present in 10 (45%) of 22 stored drinking water samples in households using PuR registered . PuR registered was well-accepted and properly used in remote communities where local leaders helped with distribution and education. This highly effective water purification method can help protect disaster-affected communities from waterborne disease.

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America plate motion and a rigid Caribbean plate model. Sites in central Honduras and
Guatemala move 3–8 mm yr⁻¹ westward with respect to the Caribbean plate interior,
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thirds of Honduras. A site in southern Jamaica moves 8 ± 1 mm yr⁻¹ westward relative to
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estimating Caribbean plate motion. Two sites in southern Hispaniola also exhibit
anomalous motions relative to the plate interior, consistent with a tectonic bias at those
sites. An inversion of the velocities for 15 sites nominally located in the plate interior
yields a well-constrained Caribbean plate angular velocity vector that predicts motion
similar to previously published models. Data bootstrapping indicates that the solution is
robust to better than 1 mm yr⁻¹ with respect to both the site velocities that are used to
estimate the plate angular velocity and the site velocity uncertainties. That velocities at
seven of eight GPS sites in eastern Honduras and Nicaragua are consistent with the
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Areas; Residential Mobility. Abstract: The population, environmental, and economic problems of Haiti must be solved through a national change in attitude, an emphasis on the individual value of children, a social concern for urgent action on sustainable development, and shared responsibility in the international community. The impact of colonialism was to lay waste to subsistence practices which were ecologically balanced. This first nation of self-liberated slaves has problems deeply rooted in the past, which have been worsened by the ruling elite’s exploitation. There is extreme poverty, boat people, deforestation, environmental degradation, civil liberty abuses, and a struggle for democracy. Population growth as well as, indirectly, death, hunger, and disease, have contributed to the immigration of Haitians to the US, Canada, France, and neighboring islands. Fertility has been high for the past 20 years. The family planning challenges are discussed in light of the 10% acceptance rate and met demand. The host country’s ability to cope with the burden of supplying employment, social services, and legal protection accounts for the reluctance to accept greater numbers of Haitians. Rural-to-urban migration has created nightmares within Haiti. Cite Soleil has a population density of 25,000 people/sq. kilometer, and more than 33% of rural areas is unfit for habitation. The urban slums offer a substandard quality of life due to infiltration of sea water into the soil which prohibits vegetative growth, due to sanitation deficits, and due to inadequate clean water supplies. The example of a small sugar merchant with an income of $40/month reflects the ability to survive but with no provision for empowerment or betterment for the future for the grandchildren in her care. Captain Jacques-Yves Cousteau attests to the difficulties and, maybe, impossibilities of turning around the process of environmental devastation and overpopulation. The ecological problems are primarily due to salinization and deforestation; the pressure for fuelwood has increased since the trade embargo, which prevents importation of butane and propane. Tree planting of 20 million/year yields 2-3 million actually surviving. Destructive fishing, quarrying, and agricultural techniques continue to waste resources. Database: SCOPUS. ISSN: 0968-1655.

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program before beginning the study; they worked under the direct supervision of the
primary investigator. Laboratory quality was monitored by running 10% blank and 10%
duplicate samples. Results: The households contained an average of 5.4 persons. Filters
had been in use for an average of 2.5 years, and participants were generally satisfied with
their filter’s performance. Shallow, hand-dug wells provided the only source of water for
61% of the households, with 26% using water piped from springs or deep wells, and 13%
having access to both. Only 3% had plumbing in their homes. Source water from shallow
wells contained an average of 234 E. coli cfu/100 mL. Piped sources averaged 195 E. coli
cfu/100 mL. of the source water samples 26% contained 0-10 E. coli cfu/100 mL. of the
filtered water samples 97% contained 0-10 E. coli cfu/100 mL (80% with 0 cfu/100 mL,
and 17% with 1-10 cfu/100 mL). Overall bacterial removal efficiency for the filters was
calculated to be 98.5%. Turbidity decreased from an average of 6.2 NTU in source water
samples to 0.9 NTU in the filtered water. None of the households treated the water after
filtering; 91% used the filtered water only for drinking. No problems related to filter
construction were observed; 13% were found to have significantly decreased flow rates
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Fass, S. M. 1993. “Water and Poverty: Implications for Water Planning.” Water Resources Research. Volume 29, Issue 7, Pages 1975-1981. Descriptors: cost/benefit analysis; distribution system; poverty; returns to clean water; urban water supply; water planning; water pricing; water supply; water supply system; Haiti, Port-au-Prince; Benefits; Developing Countries; Planning. Notes: Cited By (since 1996): 7. Abstract: Planning for improvements of urban water systems in developing countries has overlooked ways in which water may influence health and income among the poor. In these populations the price of water may further affect health and labor productivity, both directly through its impact on nutrition and indirectly through its impact on housing size
and quality and on residential density. What at first might seem a straightforward equity issue in planning may thus be an issue of economic efficiency as well. Failure to account for the fuller range of tangible benefits associated with improvements in water supply may lead to underestimation of returns to investment and therefore to economically inefficient investment. Database: SCOPUS.


Fett, J. D., Carraway, R. D., Perry, H. and Dowell, D. L. 2003. “Emerging Insights into Peripartum Cardiomyopathy.” Journal of Health Population and Nutrition. Volume 21, Issue 1, Pages 1-7. Descriptors: Autoimmunity; Case-control studies; Haiti; Heart failure; Microchimerism; Peripartum cardiomyopathy; Pregnancy; Selenium; drinking water; adolescent; adult; article; blood sampling; cardiomyopathy; case control study; controlled study; echocardiography; female; human; incidence; informed consent; interview; major clinical study; parity; population research; prenatal care; questionnaire; risk assessment; risk factor; statistical analysis; Heart Failure, Congestive; Hospitals; Humans; Middle Aged; Pregnancy; Pregnancy Complications, Cardiovascular; Prospective Studies; Puerperal Disorders; Questionnaires; Retrospective Studies; Risk Factors. Notes: Cited By (since 1996): 7. Abstract: Peripartum cardiomyopathy (PPCM) is relatively common in the Hospital Albert Schweitzer (HAS) district of Haiti. This investigation was carried out to expand epidemiologic data aiming at identifying risk factors for PPCM in this population. The HAS District PPCM Registry with 74 PPCM patients, enrolled from 1 February 2000 to 1 September 2002, served to identify the PPCM patients involved in this study. Thirty-seven non-PPCM Haitian mothers from the HAS district served as controls in the case-control study I and 32 non-PPCM Haitian mothers from the HAS district served as controls for the case-control study II. Following informed consent, patients and controls participated in clinical examination,
echocardiography, epidemiologic questionnaire interviews, and immunohaematologic testing. Findings revealed: increased parity in PPCM vs control mothers (4.6 vs 3.3, p=0.0252); 47% of the PPCM mothers had their initial diagnosis with the 5th or more pregnancy; increased number of patients with some hospital prenatal care in PPCM vs control mothers (42% vs 0%, p=0.00001); and increased valley unit PPCM vs control mothers with no formal schooling (54% vs 24%, p=0.0054). However, when hill-unit controls were included, there was no statistical difference in this category. Taking drinking-water from the river was found in 11% of the valley PPCM mothers vs 0% of the valley control mothers (p=0.0509). Although the first 59 PPCM cases identified came from the valley units, recent identification of PPCM mothers in the hill unit indicates similar incidence of PPCM in mothers of remote hill area compared to the valley mothers-approximately 1 per 350 to 400 livebirths. Although the cause of PPCM and reasons for increased incidence in the HAS district of Haiti remain unknown, initial data present emerging insights and avenues to pursue in subsequent studies. Database: SCOPUS. ISSN/ISBN: 16060997.

Finger, W. R. 1992. “Should the Threat of HIV Affect Breastfeeding?” Network. Volume 13, Issue 2, Pages 12-14. Descriptors: immunologic factor; Africa; Africa south of the Sahara; apparatus, equipment and supplies; article; biology; bottle feeding; breast feeding; breast milk; Clinic Activities; counseling; Critique; developed country; developing country; Diseases; Eastern Africa; environment; environmental protection; Europe; French Speaking Africa; general aspects of disease; health; health care planning; Hiv Infections--transmission; Human immunodeficiency virus infection; immunity; infant nutrition; interpersonal communication; lactation; mass medium; Maternal Physiology; Natural Resources; North America; Northern America; Northern Europe; nutrition; organization and management; outpatient department; physiology; policy; Postpartum Women; pregnancy; Program Activities; Programs; public health; puerperium; reproduction; risk factor; Rwanda; sanitation; United Kingdom; United States; vascularization; Viral Diseases; virus infection; water supply; Western Hemisphere; Americas; Blood Supply; Communication; Developed Countries; Developing Countries; Equipment And Supplies; Human Milk; Immunologic Factors; Mass Media; Organization And Administration; Risk Factors; Social Policy; Africa, Eastern; Africa, Northern; Ambulatory Care Facilities; Conservation of Natural Resources; Disease; Evaluation Studies; Great Britain; Health Planning; HIV Infections; Milk, Human; Public Policy; Virus Diseases. Abstract: About 33% of infants born to HIV positive women acquire HIV. Since breast milk has disease-protecting antibodies and diluting infant formula with unsafe water poses sizable health hazards, it is difficult for countries to set sound policy on breast feeding and for health workers to counsel HIV infected mothers and those at high risk of HIV infection. In 1985, US and UK public health officials advised HIV infected mothers to bottle feed. They eventually amended their position by claiming the guidelines only applied to the US and the UK where safe water is exists. WHO recommends that the only HIV infected women who should use a breast milk substitute are those in countries where infectious diseases are not the leading causes of infant death or those in countries with widespread malnutrition and infectious diseases which do cause infant death, but whose conditions would allow an appropriate alternative. In Rwanda, a study on HIV transmission via breast milk shows infants seroconvert during the same month as do the mothers. So the researchers advise mothers
at high risk for seroconversion to not breast feed; yet all women in Rwanda are at high risk. In Haiti, where all women are also at such risk and have no breast milk substitutes, the HIV transmission rate among breast fed infants is 25%, equalling that of non breast fed infants in the US and Europe. A European and Australian study also reveals a higher risk of HIV transmission via breast milk in mothers who acquired HIV postpartum than in those who acquired it prenatally. Some research shows that 24% of the colostrum of HIV infected mothers has P24 antigen, while there is no P24 antigen in 4-day postpartum breast milk. Policymakers should develop an algorithm for health providers to use to advise mothers about the relative benefits and risks of breast feeding concerning HIV transmission. Database: SCOPUS. ISSN/ISBN: 00933341.

Fitzgerald, Daniel W. and Behets, Frieda M. T. F. 2002. "Beyond Folklore." JAMA. December 11. Volume 288, Issue 22, Pages 2791-2792. Descriptors: Syphilis; Public health/Developing countries; Haiti/Social life and customs; Folklore; General Science. Notes: Bibliographic footnotes. Abstract: More needs to be done to wipe out congenital syphilis in the developing world. In Haiti, the high rates of peri-natal and newborn mortality and the inadequate means available to the poor to combat the causes of these deaths have led to the emergence of folklore to explain the loss of a new child. Beliefs such as the loup garou, or werewolf, can help explain the unexplainable and deal with the fear, guilt, and helplessness. However, it is time to move beyond folklore: it is over 50 years since public health experts spoke of wiping out congenital syphilis. Only very slowly are diagnostic tests, treatments, and prevention strategies being retooled to improve access for the poor of countries like Haiti. ISSN: 0098-7484.

Fitzgerald, Daniel W., Behets, Frieda and Preval, Johanne. 2003. "Decreased Congenital Syphilis Incidence in Haiti's Rural Artibonite Region Following Decentralized Prenatal Screening." Am. J. Public Health. March. Volume 93, Issue 3, Pages 444-446. Descriptors: Familial diseases; Syphilis; Prenatal diagnosis; Public health/Haiti; Education; Social Science; General Science. Notes: Bibliographic footnotes; Graph. Abstract: The effect of decentralization of prenatal screening for congenital syphilis in Haiti's Artibonite region was investigated. Before 1996, syphilis screening for pregnant women in the Artibonite region was centralized, but this strategy failed, as rates of congenital syphilis in 1995 were 550 cases per 100,000 live births. In 1996, a decentralized syphilis screening approach was implemented, and between 1996 and 1999, laboratories were installed and personnel trained in 12 of the 14 Hospital Albert Schweitzer dispensaries. On average, the rate of congenital syphilis in the 3 years after the implementation was 137 cases per 100,000 live births, a 75 percent reduction from 1995 rates. ISSN: 0090-0036. URL: Full Text PDF HTML: http://vnweb.hwwilsonweb.com/hww/jumpstart.jhtml?recid=c84804dfd2d2953e37658772a009443bda8a9617a3feb9558983aa8ee5e6418&fmt=HPDF: http://vnweb.hwwilsonweb.com/hww/jumpstart.jhtml?recid=c84804dfd2d2953e37658772a009443bda8a9617a3feb9558983aa8ee5e6418&fmt=P.


French, Jonathan. 2001. Managing Fatigue in Long Duration Airlift Operations 1994. Descriptors: Circadian Rhythms; Jet Lag; Position (Location); Sensory Feedback; Sleep; Rwanda; Haiti; Somalia; Air To Air Refueling; Analogies; Gulfs; Safety; Schedules; Warfare. Abstract: During September, 1994 the operational tempo for US Air Force C-5 transport crews was at a record high. Support flights were routinely sent to assist international efforts to bring peace to warring factions in Rwanda, Somalia and, in addition to their normal full time responsibilities, there were additional flights needed to reinstate the elected government in Haiti. I interviewed crews at Dover AFB to learn their perspectives of the sources and the extent of fatigue on these sustained missions. Many of these crews had participated in Operation Restore Hope II to Somalia which involved multiple 25 + hour flights from the US to Somalia before crew resting in Cairo. I learned the pace of C-5 operations has remained at record levels since the Gulf War. Important issues identified by the crews were cumulative sleep debt, circadian disruption and their impact on mission safety. I was able to accompany a crew throughout a planned 10 day
support mission. This report is based on my conversations with about 35 officers and enlisted transport crews. I was impressed with the similarity of the comments for the primary sources of frustration and fatigue in the conduct of C-5 missions. These are described more fully in the report but some deserve highlighting here. Many felt that once they did something demanding, like 20-hour plus missions or the then unprecedented three aerial refueling needed in Somalia, it becomes expected, not the "one time only effort" they were told. There is a strong feeling that there are too many crews on BRAVO alerts, perhaps unnecessarily and BRAVO alerts were too long. Many were convinced that better collaboration with schedulers and the Wing would provide more realistic mission schedules. Based on some objective data I collected, in-flight sleep on the C-5 may be less restful than previously thought. Analysis of the nutritional content available in the box meal were conducted and suggests good food is available but not often selected by crews. A decibel meter was used to sample sound frequencies at 6 locations on the C-5 and while louder than published in the C-5 operations manual, the Dash-1, is still within limits. Given that longer missions may be more frequent, noise limits may need to be reconsidered. It is my hope that this report will stimulate interest in a larger study of C-5 crew fatigue issues. Coping strategies for management of fatigue that are simple to follow and can be implemented in current operations are provided at the end of the report and were derived, in large part, from the experiences gained during this investigation. Dr French has left the USAF and is now a fatigue consultant for shiftwork, jet lag and sustained duration operations. Notes: RP: RECON no. 20010032436; available from aerospace dispatch. Database: CSA Technology Research Database.

Frendak-Blume, Allison M. 2004. United States Military Chaplains on the Ground in Today's Peace Operations: Somalia, Haiti, and Bosnia. United States-Virginia: George Mason University. Page(s): 622. Descriptors: International law; International relations. Abstract: This research set out to explore the role peacekeepers might play in post-Cold War peace operations and focused on the religious figures who accompanied national contingents into a mission area. Sixty-eight US military chaplains who had deployed with US peacekeepers to Somalia, Haiti, and Bosnia were interviewed. A first-level analysis focused on the activities chaplains' performed during these operations, the intent behind performance if an activity involved the local population, how chaplains felt their involvement addressed the conflict in the particular country, and whether the chaplains believed there was potential for greater involvement in future peace operations due to their standing as religious figures. A second level of analysis was conducted by matching up roles depicted in the transcripts with those detailed in peacekeeper, third-party, and religious figure literature. Both analyses were carried out on an individual case basis. A third level of analysis was achieved through comparison across cases. OCLC Accession Number: 3123117.

Frenette, M., Nzakimuena, J. T. and Journier, P. J. 1982. “Cas Historique De Sedimentation du Barrage Peligre, Haiti. Translated Title: Case History of Sedimentation - the Peligre Dam, Haiti.” Can. J. Civ. Engng. Volume 9, Issue 2 , Jun. 1982, Pages 206-223. Abstract: The Peligre Dam in Haiti, on the Artibonite River, was built in 1956 for an expected life of about 180 years. Based on sedimentation data collected in 1925 and 1926, the average rate of silting in the reservoir was estimated at 3.45 x 10 SUP 6 m SUP 3/year. In 1979, however, an average sedimentation rate of 9.6 x 10 SUP 6 m SUP 3/year was established. Systematic observations were undertaken in 1961, 1977, and 1979 to
explain the phenomenon and to predict the future rate of silting in the reservoir. The
studies led to simulation, by means of a mathematical model, of the processes and have
led to reconstruction of the hydro-sedimentological events since 1956 as well as
determination of the future rate of silting. In order to develop a methodology that has
widespread applicability for predicting the rate of sedimentation, the main physical
processes responsible for the patterns of deposition were used as common denominators:
derosion of watershed and rivers, effects of deforestation, urbanisation, and agriculture,
effect of the reservoir geometry, expected sediment inflow, water inflow versus outflow, etc. On the whole, the model indicated
very well the acceleration of the silting rate with an average increase of about 18% per
year. The study thus shows that the sediment inflow took the form of a quadratic or
exponential growth curve instead of a straight line. After 23 years the average silting is
three times that of the design. The results show in conclusion how we must be careful in
predicting long-term sedimentation rates in a reservoir since the lifetime of the dam is
notably reduced. Database: SCOPUS. ISSN: 0315-1468.

Frenette, M. Souriac, J. C. Tournier, J. P. and International Commission on Large
Dams, Paris, France. 1982. Modelisation De l’Alluvionnement de la Retenue De Peligre,
Haiti. Modelling of Siltation of the Peligre Dam, Haiti; Transactions of the Fourteenth
International Congress on Large Dams; III, Reservoir Sedimentation and Slope Stability;
France. 14th International Congress on Large Dams, Rio De Janeiro. Brazil Conference:
May 3-7, 1982. Descriptors: alluvium; Antilles; Artibonite River; Caribbean region;
elastic sediments; dams; engineering geology; erosion; Greater Antilles; Haiti;
Hispaniola; hydrogeology; hydrology; mathematical models; runoff; sediments; siltation;
water erosion; West Indies. Notes: FE: References: 6; illus. incl. sketch map. GeoRef
Accession Number: 1983-044598.

Frenette, M., Tournier, J. P. and Nzakimuena, T. J. 1982. “(Case History of the
Sedimentation of the Peligre Dam, Haiti).” Canadian Journal of Civil Engineering.
Volume 9, Issue 2, Pages 206-223. Descriptors: degradation; erosion; lifetime; reservoir;
sedimentation; simulation; watershed. Abstract: The Peligre Dam in Haiti, on the
Artibonite River, was built in 1956 for an expected life of about 180 years. Based on
sedimentation data collected in 1925 and 1926, the average rate of silting in the reservoir
was estimated but in 1979 the rate was nearly 3 times as high. Systematic observations
were undertaken to explain the phenomenon and to predict the future rate of silting in the
reservoir. The studies led to simulation, by means of a mathematical model, of the
processes involved and have permitted reconstruction of the hydro-sedimentological
events since 1956 as well as prediction of the future rate of sedimentation. The study thus
shows that the sediment inflow took the form of a quadratic or exponential growth curve
instead of a straight line. Database: SCOPUS. ISSN: 0315-1468.

Frick, German. 1970. “Wassererschliessung in Haiti.” Translated Title:
Descriptors: Antilles; Arcachia plain; Caribbean region; Cul-de-Sac plain; Greater
Antilles; ground water; Haiti; Hispaniola; hydrogeology; resources; West Indies.
Abstract: Geologic setting, Cretaceous-Tertiary volcanic and marine sedimentary rocks,
borings in Cul-de-Sac and Arcahaie plains, hydrogeologic data, fresh-salt-water interface.
Database: GeoRef. ISSN: 0043-0951.

Descriptors: United States/Foreign relations/Haiti; Applied Science & Technology; Readers' Guide (Current Events); Business. Notes: Illustration. Abstract: The canceled armed invasion of Haiti was to have been the U.S.'s largest and most intricate airborne assault since operation Market Garden at Nijmegan, Holland, 50 years ago. Air Force and Army officers say that approximately 3,900 soldiers of the 82nd Airborne Div. were to land, depending on conditions, by parachute or in some of the 60 C-130s and 53 C-141s assembled for the initial airborne assault. The paratroopers would have been followed by 60 helicopters and 600 soldiers of the division's aviation brigade. The attack was canceled after Haiti's leaders agreed to relinquish power. ISSN: 0005-2175.

Descriptors: United States/Foreign relations/Haiti; Applied Science & Technology; Readers' Guide (Current Events); Business; Search and navigation equipment (3812). Notes: PD: Illustration. Abstract: The agreement by Haiti's military rulers to voluntarily relinquish power left U.S. military commanders scrambling to improvise and implement new plans for the changed U.S. role in the troubled Caribbean nation. Over a 9-hour period on the night of September 18-19, the 18,000-man U.S. Joint Task Force-Haiti was transformed from an assault group to a peaceful entry and occupation force. A key in sorting out the confusion was a handful of U.S. Air Force aircraft in the air over Haiti: EC-130 Airborne Battlefield Command and Control Centers, E-3 AWACSs, AC-130 Specter gunships, refueling tankers, and RC-135 Rivet Joint aircraft. The efforts of these aircraft in facilitating the occupation are discussed. ISSN: 0005-2175.

Gambel, J. M., Drabick, J. J. and Martinez-Lopez, L. 1999. “Medical Surveillance of Multinational Peacekeepers Deployed in Support of the United Nations Mission in Haiti, June-October 1995.” International Journal of Epidemiology. Volume 28, Issue 2, Pages 312-318. Descriptors: Haiti; International health; Medical surveillance; Military medicine; United Nations’ peacekeepers; drinking water; army; article; dengue; follow up; food processing; gastroenteritis; human; incidence; infection; language; major clinical study; normal human; periodic medical examination; priority journal; public health; sanitation; united nations; vector control; Female; Health Status; Humans; International Cooperation; Male; Military Personnel; Missions and Missionaries; Morbidity; Population Surveillance. Notes: Cited By (since 1996): 12. Abstract: Background. Multinational peacekeepers, both military and civilian, often deploy to areas of the world where significant health threats are endemic and host country public health systems are inadequate. Medical surveillance of deployed personnel enables leaders to better direct health care resources to prevent and treat casualties. Over a 5-month period, June to October 1995, a medical surveillance system was implemented in support of the United Nations Mission in Haiti (UNMIH). Information obtained from this system as well as lessons learned from its implementation and management may help decrease casualty rates during future multinational missions. Methods. Over 90% of UNMIH personnel (80% military from over 11 countries and 20% civilian from over 70 countries) stationed throughout Haiti participated in the MSS. A weekly standardized reporting form included the number of new outpatient visits by disease and non-battle injury (DNBI) category and number of personnel supported by each participating UN medical treatment facility (MTF). Previously, medical reporting consisted of simple counts of patient visits without distinguishing between new and follow-up visits. Weekly incidence rates were determined and trends compared within and among reporting sites. The diagnoses and numbers of inpatient cases per week were only monitored at the 86th Combat Support Hospital, the facility with the most sophisticated level of health care available to UN personnel. Results. The overall outpatient DNBI incidence rate ranged from 9.2% to 13% of supported UN personnel/week. of the 14 outpatient diagnostic categories, the three categories consistently with the highest rates included orthopaedic/injury (1.6-2.5%), dermatology (1.3-2.2%), and respiratory (0.9-2.2%) of supported UN personnel/week. The most common inpatient discharge diagnoses included suspected dengue fever (22.3%), gastro-enteritis (15%), and other febrile illness (13.5%). of the 249 patients who presented with a febrile illness, 79 (32%) had serological evidence of recent dengue infection. Surveillance results helped lead to interventions that addressed issues related to field sanitation, potable water, food preparation and vector control. Conclusions. Despite hurdles associated with distance, language, and communications, the MSS was a practical and effective tool for UNMIH force protection. UN requirements for standardized medical surveillance during deployments should be developed and implemented. Furthermore, planners should recognize that if ongoing medical surveillance and related
responses are to be effective, personnel should be trained prior to deployment and resources dedicated to a sustained effort in theatre. Database: SCOPUS. ISSN: 0300-5771.

Gambel, J. M., Drabick, J. J., Seriwatana, J. and Innis, B. L. 1997. “Seroprevalence of Hepatitis E Virus (HEV) among United Nations Mission in Haiti (UNMIH) Peacekeepers, 1995.” Clinical Infectious Diseases. Volume 25, Issue 2, Pages 374. Abstract: Information about the prevalence of HEV infection is sparse in many countries. Following the identification of four cases of acute HEV infection with jaundice among Bangladeshi soldiers whose battalion had recently deployed to Haiti as peacekeepers, a cross-sectional survey to determine the level of Ig to HEV was conducted to assess the prevalence of past infection with HEV among other UNMIH personnel and Haitian civilians. The ELISA antigen was HEV (Burma) capsid protein expressed in the baculovirus system. of the 981 participants in the survey, 876 were soldiers from 8 UNMIH-participating countries representing Asia, Africa, and the Americas. The remaining 105 participants were Haitian civilians who had applied for local hire by the United Nations. The prevalence of HEV infection by country (from highest to lowest) included Pakistan (66%), India (39%), Nepal (39%), Bangladesh (30%), Djibouti (16%), Guatemala (8%), Honduras (8%), Haiti (6%), and the United States (3%). The wide range of prevalences of HEV infection that we observed were remarkably consistent with those published from those countries in which HEV has been studied. Safe water and sanitation practices will help prevent HEV transmission among military and civilian travelers, and local populations alike as other countermeasures are being developed. Future multinational missions like the UNMIH present unique opportunities to study health threats of widespread interest. Database: SCOPUS. ISSN: 1058-4838.

Gao, J., Ge, W., Hu, G. and Li, J. 2005. “From Homogeneous Dispersion to Micelles - A Molecular Dynamics Simulation on the Compromise of the Hydrophilic and Hydrophobic Effects of Sodium Dodecyl Sulfate in Aqueous Solution.” Langmuir. Volume 21, Issue 11, Pages 5223-5229. Descriptors: Computer simulation; Dispersions; Interfaces (materials); Molecular dynamics; Molecular structure; Sodium compounds; Surface active agents; Atomistic models; Functional diversity; Microscopic simulation; Spatio-temporal scales; Micelles. Notes: Cited By (since 1996): 11. Abstract: The structural and functional diversity of surfactant systems has attracted simulation works in atomistic, coarse grain, and mesoscopic models (Bandyopadhyay, S. et al. Langmuir 2000, 16, 942; Senapati, S. et al. J. Phys. Chem. B 2003, 107, 12906; Haiti, P. K. et al. Langmuir 2002, 18, 1908; Srinivas, G. et al. J. Phys. Chem. B 2004, 108, 8153; Groot, R. D. et al. J. Chem. Phys. 1999, 110, 9739; Rekvig, L. et al. Langmuir 2003, 19, 8195). However, atomistic models have suffered from their tremendous computational cost and are, so far, not able to simulate the structural behaviors in sufficient spatio-temporal scales (Shelley, J. C. Shelley, M. Y. Curr. Opin. Colloid Interface Sci. 2000, 5, 101). The other two approaches are not microscopic enough to describe the configurations of the surfactants that determine their behaviors (Shelley and Shelley). In this study, we propose to simplify atomistic models based on the observation that the compromise of the hydrophilic and hydrophobic effects (Li, J. Kwauk, M. Chem. Eng. Sci. 2003, 58, 521-535) and molecular structures of surfactants are the dominant factors shaping their structures in the systems. With this simplification, we are able to simulate with moderate computing cost the whole process of micelle formation from an initially uniform
dispersion of sodium dodecyl sulfate (SDS) in aqueous solution. The resulting micelle structures are different from those predicted by atomistic simulations that started with a predefined micelle configuration at the same surfactant concentrations. However, if we use their initial micelle configuration, micelle structures the same as theirs are obtained. Analyses show that our results are more realistic and that the results of the atomistic simulations suffer from artificial initial conditions. Therefore, our model may serve as a reasonable simplification of atomistic models in terms of the general structure of micelles. Database: SCOPUS. ISSN: 0743-7463.

Garcia, Rebecca A. 2010. “Snapshot over Haiti: Air Force asset used to assess damage, needs.” Air Force Print News Today. January 19, 2010. Abstract: After a devastating 7.0-magnitude earthquake rocked the capitol of Haiti, Port-au-Prince, last week leaving severe structural damage and an unknown death toll, the Air Force was tasked to provide imagery through the use of an observation aircraft. The OC-135B “Open Skies” aircraft, belonging to Air Combat Command's 55th Wing and stationed at Offutt Air Force Base, Neb., is specifically tailored for the enforcement of the “Open Skies” treaty of 1992, which allows unarmed flights over the territory of “Open Skies” signatories for observation of military forces and activities. Jan. 16, the aircraft was used for a different type of observation mission: to gather imagery over Haiti for a damage and resource requirement assessment. The aircraft left Joint Base Andrews to fly over Haiti, gathering images for approximately 3.5 hours on wet film before flying to Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio, where the film was processed, digitized and made available to the public. See: http://www.acc.af.mil/news/story_print.asp?id=123186247


Garcia, Tony. 2010. "Recognizing and Treating Crush Syndrome." Fire Eng. May. Volume 163, Issue 5, Pages 26, 28, 31. Descriptors: Wounds and injuries; Emergency medical care; Port-au-Prince (Haiti) earthquake, 2010; Applied Science & Technology. Notes: Table. Abstract: The writer discusses the crush injury syndrome, a systemic manifestation of muscle cell damage resulting from pressure or crushing or a condition in which the pressure within the muscle compartment rises to critically high levels resulting in severe ischemia. It is frequently observed because of prolonged entrapment. Building collapses due to earthquakes have the highest incidence of crush syndrome. Early recognition of the possibility for this rare condition and aggressive management will reduce morbidity and mortality from crush syndrome. ISSN: 0015-2587.


Republic of Haiti- (C) Aluminous lateritic soil of the Sierra de Bahoruco area, Dominican Republic, W.I. Notes: iv; ill., maps; 24 cm. + 9 maps (some col.). Note(s): Includes bibliographical references. Accompanying maps (folded) in back pocket. Includes bulletins 953 A-C. OCLC Accession Number: 48035990.


"Geospatial Companies Support Haiti Earthquake Recovery Efforts." 2010. GeoWorld. March. Volume 23, Issue 3, Pages 6-7. Descriptors: Port-au-Prince (Haiti) earthquake, 2010/Rescue work; Disaster relief; GIS industry; Applied Science & Technology. Notes: Map. Abstract: Several geospatial companies have played an important role in assessing priorities to get resources and people to the most critical areas in Haiti, as a response to the aftermath of the Haiti earthquake that occurred on January 12, 2010. Commercial imagery providers DigitalGlobe and GeoEye offered commercial satellite imagery of post-earthquake Haiti to the National Geospatial Intelligence Agency. Also involved in the relief efforts were ESRI, GeoSpatial's Merrick & Co., DigitalGlobe's WorldView-1, QuickBird, Japan's ALOS, European Space Agency's ERS-2, Envisat, Canada's RadarSat-2, NVision Solutions, and LeadDog Consulting. ISSN: 1528-6274.

Gibbons, Ann. 2010. “Greening Haiti, Tree by Tree.” Science. February 5. Volume 327, Issue 5966, Pages 640-641. Abstract: As the focus of relief efforts after Haiti’s devastating earthquake begins to shift from immediate rescue to long-term rebuilding, the use of agro-forestry to boost Haiti’s natural resources has taken on a new urgency. Many Haitians are leaving Port-au-Prince and pouring into rural areas such as the Artibonite valley, and the buzzword in the foreign aid community is to “decentralize” services from the capital. The Haiti Timber Re-Introduction Project aims to teach people in the Artibonite valley how to plant and nurture trees on their own small plots. The trees will provide wood to sell for lumber and charcoal, fruit to eat, and nitrogen to improve...
the soil so they can grow crops for food. If they’re lucky, enough trees will last long enough to improve the watershed for rivers and prevent erosion and flash floods. ISSN: 0036-8075.


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(SD) titanomagnetite particles (sizes in the range approximately 10-60 nm) in shock-melted rocks drilled from the floor of the giant Chicxulub crater (≥180 km diameter) buried approximately 1 km below the surface of Mexico’s Yucatan peninsula. These ferrimagnetic (ferrite) particles account for 37±9% of the total iron in the once-vitreous crater-floor rocks. Similar ferrites in particle sizes approximately 3 nm and amounts 0.13±0.03 wt% are found in coeval tektite glasses from Haiti. Additional SD titanomagnetite phases in particle sizes ranging from approximately 3 to approximately 4.5 nm and amounts 0.045±0.020 wt% are identified by ESR as markers of the Cretaceous-Tertiary (K/T) boundary in limestones from two sites in Spain, where their ESR intensities rise above background by factors approximately 14. The latter K/T-boundary ‘marker’ ferrites are hypothesized to have precipitated in vitreous materials ejected from the Chicxulub crater and to have survived aqueous weathering which converted their original glassy matrices to clays. Spherules from K/T-boundary beds in Mexico and New Jersey were found to contain amounts of ferrites not exceeding background levels; rather, their ESR spectra exhibit spectral components characteristic of Fe3+ in glasses and of previously reported radiation-induced paramagnetic species in crystalline quartz and calcite (CaCO3). Thin-section studies, including energy-dispersive spectroscopy, show the Mexican spherules to be fine-particle agglomerates (component grain sizes approximately 1-100 μm) of calcite, dolomite (MgCa(CO3)2), and glass, with interstitial flint (a polycrystalline form of quartz assumed to have been deposited hydrolytically after the spherules fell to earth). It is argued that the carbonate-containing spherules originally condensed within a ‘warm fireball’ composed of water vapor and approximately 2000 km3 of shock-vaporized limestone proposed by others to have been generated by the Chicxulub impact. Database: SCOPUS. ISSN: 0022-3093.


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towers can be found; such as the Yucatan cenotes, also presents at Guatemala and Belize and their Cuban and Dominican equivalents the “casimbas”. Poljes and others karstics valleys from Cuba, and others Greates Antilles and Mexico, are described, and also these countries and others “karrenfelds”. In addition to the importance of the karstic areas for the region nations economy, because of the possibilities of operation of the underground aquifer, the necessity of karstic terrains for engineering works, prospecting of minerals deposits, etc., the interest for fossils deposits, mainly from Quaternary, and the ancient inhabitants remains are unquestionable, together with the fact of having ecosystems of great biodiversity and richness. Database: SCOPUS. ISSN: 0258-5979.
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uniformly $\sim$3-mm-thick layer. The upper layer probably represents the fallout of condensates and entrained solid and liquid particles which were distributed globally by the impact fireball. The lower layer consists of brecciated rock and impact melt near the crater and largely altered tektites far from the crater. The clasts of this layer were probably ballistically transported. The Raton, New Mexico K/T boundary section preserves the fireball and ejecta layers in a coal-free nonmarine environment. Siderophile, chalcophile, and lithophile trace element anomalies occur similar to those found at marine K/T boundary localities. Soot occurs peaking in the 3-mm-thick fireball layer and the immediately overlying 3 mm of sediment, implying prompt burning of the Cretaceous forests. The Brazos River, Texas continental-shelf K/T sections preserve coarse boundary sediments which were probably produced by impact waves. Siderophile and chalcophile trace-element anomalies occur suggesting that the fireball layer and possibly part of the ejecta layer are interbedded with the coarse boundary sediments. The Beloc, Haiti deep-sea K/T sections preserve a thick ejecta sequence including altered and unaltered tektites and shocked minerals capped by the fireball layer. The thick K/T ejecta preserved at this and other nearby K/T localities require a source crater of Chicxulub’s size and location. The composition of the tektites and shocked grains require an impact into recently extracted continental crust with a carbonate/evaporite component as found at the Chicxulub crater.
throughout the late Holocene. These long-term changes in Caribbean climate are generally similar to those found for Africa over the same period, and can be largely explained by orbitally induced (Milankovitch) variations in seasonal insolation which modified the intensity of the annual cycle. Superimposed on the orbitally forced climate trends are more abrupt climate events that result from complex, nonlinear interactions in the ocean-atmosphere system. The interpretation of Antillean biogeography and the development of Caribbean and Mesoamerican culture must be considered in the context of such shifts in climate. Database: SCOPUS. ISSN: 0028-0836.

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national parks (La Visite National Park and Macaya Biosphere Reserve) or of their surrounding areas. Phylogenetic analysis indicates that most of these species together represent a species group that is restricted to the paleogeographically distinct southern ‘paleoisland’, and that is otherwise known neither from Hispaniola nor from any other island. Two mitochondrial markers, 16S and cytochrome oxidase I (COI), were sequenced in 21 species to test for their performance as barcoding genes within this group of partly closely related species. Both markers unambiguously corroborated the morphospecies, with small but distinct gaps between the intra- and interspecific genetic distances. The absence of Modisimus in South America argues against colonization of the West Indies over a ‘landspan’ connecting South America to the Greater Antilles. Overwater dispersal is supported by two lines of evidence (unusual radiation and reduced higher-level diversity), but further data (especially time estimates for the separation of mainland and island taxa) are needed to evaluate the third major model, continent-island vicariance as a result of plate tectonics. The species diversity of the genus, combined with the presence of habitat specialists, suggests that this system may have the potential to complement the classic studies on adaptive radiation in Caribbean Anolis lizards.


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to be considered the core activity. The services to be provided by the infrastructure were largely regarded as a natural output, that came by itself after construction. In reality however, infrastructure is developed in a complex multiorganisation network, irrigation development in particular. The article presents an analytical instrument, the service interaction analysis (SIA) that helps to identify role players, services and the interaction between service providers and their clients in a multiorganisational network. It also allows the analysis of problems that occur in the provision if individual services. The instrument has been applied throughout the years 1992-94 in ten different project settings in countries as different as Bolivia, Haiti, Germany, South Africa, Tanzania, and Mali; two of the cases (Bolivia and Germany) are presented in the text. -from Authors.

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K-T boundary sites in western North America. Petrographic observations indicate that the K-T marker bed on Haiti is not a primary air fall unit composed entirely of impact ejecta. It contains a small volcanogenic component of locally derived material admixed with the impact ejecta during deposition on the seafloor. The major and trace element composition of the Haitian tektites, in particular, the high Rb and REE content, suggests that the target material melted during the K-T impact was sedimentary with an average composition of andesite, not mafic or ultramafic oceanic crust. ISSN: 0148-0227.

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Results: CHW contributed to a wide range of primary health services and non-HIV-related activities. Recognition from the community, status, satisfaction of contributing to the well-being of others and remuneration were facilitating factors to performing their work. Challenges included insufficient materials to cope with the obstacles on the ground, lack of diagnostic and treatment roles in their activities, high work load, and desire for ongoing training and a higher salary. Conclusion: CHW initially hired for HIV care represent an important part of the health system in rural Haiti in both HIV-related and primary healthcare services. CHW programmes have important potential for building capacity in the health workforce and thereby contributing to strengthening of the health system as a whole. Attention must be paid to adequate remuneration, training and provision of materials. Database: SCOPUS. ISSN: 0269-9370.


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Kean, S. 2010. “From the Bottom Up.” Science. Volume 327, Issue 5966, Pages 638-639. Abstract: Rebuilding the cities of Haiti to withstand natural disasters seems both simple and impossible. Engineers in the United States, Europe, and Japan have known for decades how to buttress buildings against earthquakes. The 1989 quake near San Francisco, California, for example- although it had the same magnitude as the Haiti tremor (7.0)- killed only 63 people. But Haiti simply doesn't have the money to adopt first-class solutions. Although various governments pledged to support Haiti over the next decade at a meeting in Montreal, Canada, in late January (Haiti is seeking $3 billion), Haiti has very little time to develop a rebuilding plan. With perhaps 170,000 dead and most survivors living outdoors and scared to enter standing structures, Port-au-Prince cannot wait. Nevertheless, scientists do see quick and cheap ways to rebuild—if
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cosmic origin is present in the early Danian. This shows that although impact markers represent and instant in time, they are subject to the same geological forces as any other marker horizons—erosion, reworking, and redeposition—and must be used with caution and applied on a regional scale to avoid artifacts of redeposition. For the K-T transition, impact stratigraphy unequivocally indicates that the Chicxulub impact predates the K-T boundary, that the Ir anomaly at the K-T boundary is not related to the Chicxulub impact, and that environmental upheaval continued during the early danian with possibly another smaller impact and volcanism. Database: GeoRef. ISBN: 9780813424379.

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smectite derived from alteration of impact glass, as indicated by rare altered glass spherules with similar chemical compositions as reworked spherules from the event deposit and Chicxulub impact spherules from NE Mexico and Haiti. The Brazos sections thus provide strong evidence that the Chicxulub impact predates the K-T boundary by about 300 kyr, consistent with earlier observations in NE Mexico and the Chicxulub crater core Yaxcopoil-1. Database: Illustrata: Technology. ISSN: 0012-821X.

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Kerr, Richard A. 2010. “Foreshadowing Haiti’s Catastrophe.” Science. January 22. Volume 327, Issue 5964, Pages 398. Abstract: Before last week, it had been 240 years since the last major earthquake on the fault that ruptured in Haiti. Stress had been building, but no big quakes had relieved it. When a section of the plate boundary finally did rupture, it did so with devastating fury. When the east-west, San Andreas–like fault ruptured, tens of thousands likely perished in what may be the Western Hemisphere’s worst disaster in a century. But the devastation was more the result of lack of infrastructure than the strength of the quake itself, which barely qualified as major. ISSN: 0036-8075.

obtain an age of 64.98 million years, 0.06 million years, for rock samples from the Chicxulub crater on Mexico's Yucatan peninsula. Using the same method, Glen Izett of the U.S. Geological Survey has determined that the age of impact debris from Haiti is 65.06 million years, 0.18 million years. The 2 ages are close enough to convince some former skeptics that the Chicxulub structure is the impact crater that scientists have been seeking. The next step will be to demonstrate that the impact's environmental effects were lethal to many forms of life throughout the world. ISSN: 0036-8075.

Kerr, Richard A. 1990. "Dinosaurs' Death Blow in the Caribbean Sea?" Science. May 18. Volume 248, Pages 815. Descriptors: Catastrophes (Geology); Paleontology; Haiti; General Science; Readers' Guide (Current Events); Applied Science & Technology. Notes: Map. Abstract: Two cosmochemists have found evidence that the Caribbean region is the site of the comet or asteroid impact that is believed to have caused the mass extinction of species at the end of the Cretaceous period. A thin, worldwide layer of iridium-rich material has convinced most scientists that such an impact took place. Now Alan Hildebrand and William Boynton of the University of Arizona have found a second, thicker layer of debris in the upper Cretaceous deposits of Haiti. The debris contains shocked quartz grains and altered tektites, both indicative of a large impact. They have also found that uppermost Cretaceous marine deposits between North and South America contain evidence of a gigantic tsunami, which could have been triggered by an impact. Furthermore, seismic surveys of the Colombia Basin indicate the presence of a 300-km depression that Hildebrand and Boynton believe may be the impact crater. Some other researchers think the impact site may lie near Cuba. ISSN: 0036-8075

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matrices of Y-6 samples range from 9.9 to 12.4‰. Melt lithologies and the black Haitian glass have rather uniform 87Sr/86Sr ratios (0.7079 to 0.7094); only one lithic fragment displays 87Sr/86Sr of 0.7141. The Sr model ages T SrUR or most lithologies range from 830 to 1833 Ma; unrealistic negative model ages point to an open Rb-Sr system with loss of Rb in a hydrothermal process. The 143Nd/144Nd ratios for all samples, except one basement clast with 143Nd/144Nd of 0.5121, cluster at 0.5123 to 0.5124. In an εNd-εSr diagram, impactites plot in a field delimited by εNd of -2 to -6, and εSr of 55 to 69. This field is not defined by the basement lithologies described to occur as lithic clasts in impact breccias and Cretaceous sediments. At least one additional intermediate to mafic precursor component is required to explain the data. Database: SCOPUS. ISSN: 1086-9379.


Kirkpatrick, S. M. and Cobb, A. K. 1990. “Health Beliefs Related to Diarrhea in Haitian Children: Building Transcultural Nursing Knowledge.” Journal of Transcultural Nursing: Official Journal of the Transcultural Nursing Society and the Transcultural Nursing Society. Volume 1, Issue 2, Pages 2-12. Descriptors: treatment; adult; Agricultural Workers--women; article; attitude; Beliefs; breast feeding; Central America; Child Mortality--prevention and control; Child Survival; cultural anthropology; cultural factor; Demographic Factors; developing country; diarrhea; Diarrhea, Infantile--prevention and control; Diseases; Dominican Republic; Economic Factors; epidemiology; ethnic group; ethnology; Family And Household; Family Relationships; family size; female; fluid therapy; Haiti; health; health care delivery; health service; human; Human Resources; incidence; infant nutrition; Labor Force; Length Of Life; measurement; medicine; mortality; mother; North America; nursing; nutrition; oral rehydration therapy; parent; population; population dynamics; psychological aspect; Research Methodology; self care; South and Central America; Studies; Surveys; Survivorship; traditional medicine; Western Hemisphere; Americas; Caribbean; Culture; Delivery Of Health Care; Developing Countries; Family Characteristics; Folklore; Health Services; Latin America; Medicine, Traditional; Mothers; Oral Rehydration; Parents; Sampling Studies; Attitude to Health; Cultural Characteristics. Notes: Cited By (since 1996): 3. Abstract: Regardless of where they live or under what circumstances, mothers throughout the world seem to have
a compelling desire to provide the best possible health care for their children (Huston, 1979). Haitian mothers living in the Dominican Republic were no exception. The health beliefs and practices of these mothers related primarily to diarrhea among their children which demonstrated a concern and resourcefulness that is commendable. The results of this study clearly indicate the importance of transcultural nurses conducting culturally relevant research as a basis to develop sound health programs in developing countries. Diarrhea was identified as the single most important threat to a child’s health in these communities. That mothers did not know about the correct ingredients and/or proportions for oral rehydration solutions (Western views) was of interest. Although the Dominican government makes some commercial packets of ORS, most of the women interviewed did not have ready access to this product. This finding reflected the need for transcultural nurses to offer to teach mothers how to make ORS using the sugar, salt, and water they had available. Since the mothers’ perception that diarrhea was a dangerous threat to their children’s health, was verified by childhood mortality statistics in the bateys, it would seem that ORS could make a significant impact on the health status of the children. Breastfeeding also was a major health belief factor associated with the treatment of diarrhea. Even though the majority of mothers believed breast feeding should be continued if a child had diarrhea, a number believed it should be discontinued. Nurses working with CHWs will need to emphasize the importance of breastfeeding and help them to develop creative ways of communicating this information to the mothers. The second most dangerous threat to the child identified by the mothers was respiratory ailments. This suggests a new area of concentration for future research and training of CHWs. A host of new questions related to respiratory problems such as health beliefs, causative factors, course of disease, traditional treatments, mortality rate, etc. need to be investigated. When transcultural nurses plan health care programs for women and children in other cultures, it is important to recognize the concerns mothers have for their children, and their intense desire to nature and care for them. In this study, mothers willingly participated and demonstrated active interest in learning to use methods to improve the health and well being of their children. It is well documented (Lieban, 1977) that established health beliefs are not automatically discarded when new knowledge is made available, but that exploration and incorporation of new information when presented in a culturally relevant framework does occur. An understanding of local beliefs surrounding health is fundamental to the development of appropriate transcultural nursing interventions. Database: SCOPUS. ISSN/ISBN: 10436596.

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conditions, disease, and a high mortality rate. In 1990 only 39 percent of the 5.9 million residents had adequate access to water and only 24 percent to sanitation. The lack of potable water for basic human needs is one of the most critical problems in the country. Given the rainfall and abundant water resources, there is adequate water to meet the water demands, but proper management to develop and maintain the water supply requirements is lacking. However, the water supply sector is undergoing complete transformation. Although currently there is no comprehensive water policy, progress is being made towards establishing a national water resources management policy. Numerous agencies and non-government organizations (NGO’s) are working to provide water, many of which conduct their missions with little or no coordination with other agencies, which creates duplication of work and inefficient use of resources. The Reform Unit for Potable Water (URSEP) is a special agency created recently to help organize the efforts of the various agencies in the water sector. Pollution of the water resources is a significant problem. Contamination of surface water and shallow ground water aquifers are prevalent throughout the country. Domestic wastewater and agricultural runoff causes biological contamination of water near and downstream of populated places. Currently there is no public system for the collection and treatment of wastewater. Indications are that contamination is increasing rapidly, especially for surface water. The amount of water pollution is important because much of the population still uses surface water and ground water from shallow aquifers for their water supply. Deforestation, with its devastating environmental consequences, is a serious problem in Haiti. Lac de Peligre, the only major reservoir in the country, has lost 30 percent of its storage capacity due to sedimentation caused by deforestation. Deforestation accelerates soil erosion, decreases the amount of recharge to aquifers by increasing surface runoff, damages barrier reefs and ecosystems, increases turbidity which affects mangroves, decreases agricultural production, and causes problems and increased maintenance of water systems and impoundments. Hydrologic data is lacking also. As of April 1998, only 3 of the 35 gaging stations and 25 percent of the hydrometeorological gages were functional. The technical information obtained from such a network is critical for effective water resources management. If the recommendations for watershed management are adopted, if progress is made toward reducing the untreated waste entering the nation’s waterways, and if a national water resources management policy is implemented, positive, immediate, and long-term benefits could be realized. Notes: Includes appendices; References: 71; illus. incl. 7 tables; colored hydrogeologic maps. Database: GeoRef. U. S. Army Corps of Engineers, Mobile, AL, United States. GeoRef Accession Number: 2005-008377.

Koeberl, C. and Sigurdsson, H. 1992. “Geochemistry of Impact Glasses from the K/T Boundary in Haiti: Relation to Smectites and a New Type of Glass.” Geochimica Et Cosmochimica Acta. Volume 56, Issue 5, Pages 2113-2129. Descriptors: Cretaceous/Tertiary boundary; geochemistry; impact glass; smectite; Haiti, Beloc. Notes: Cited By (since 1996): 35. Abstract: We have individually analyzed twelve black and seven yellow glasses from the K/T boundary section at Beloc, Haiti, plus three smectite mantles around black glasses. The main chemical differences between black and yellow glasses are higher S, Ca, Mg, Zn, As, Br, Sb, and Au, but lower K, Na, and Si abundances in the yellow glasses. We have found high-CaO yellow glasses with low S contents (0.08, 0.17 wt%), which may be explained by fusion of carbonate-rich sediments. Microprobe studies of individual glasses show that the black glasses are very homogeneous in their
composition at the 10-100 μm level, while yellow glasses show much more variability and different intra-sample elemental correlations. One of the black glasses has higher SiO₂ and K₂O abundances, but lower concentrations of all other major elements. This suggests the existence of a third glass type, which we have named the high Si-K variety (HSi,K glass). The glass shows areas consisting of pure SiO₂ (maybe lechatelierite) and some schlieren with lower SiO₂ content. The chemical composition indicates that the HSi,K glass may have originated from melting of a sedimentary source rock, such as shale or argillite. Severe changes in major and trace element composition occur during alteration of the glass, as documented by analyses of adhering smectites. The REE patterns in the glass are similar to average upper crust, but the smectites exhibit much lower abundances and flat patterns, not unlike the patterns observed in claystones at numerous K/T boundary sites. The suggestion that the Chicxulub structure in Yucatan may be the source crater for the K/T impact glasses is not fully supported by the currently available data. Impact glasses and tektites are produced from the surface layers of their targets. At Chicxulub, the target stratigraphy comprised mainly carbonates and evaporites. Although we cannot exclude Chicxulub as a source, the present data do not provide any firm chemical evidence for a connection. We conclude, however, that the Haiti glasses have formed by impact and have later undergone alteration by low-temperature hydrothermal processes to produce clays. The boundary claystones at K/T boundary sites may very well be alteration products of these impact glasses. © 1992.

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Madison, Madison, WI, United States. Descriptors: Antilles; Caribbean region; chalcopyrite; copper ores; disseminated deposits; geologic maps; gold ores; Greater Antilles; Haiti; haloes; Hispaniola; hydrothermal alteration; hydrothermal processes; inclusions; iron oxides; maps; massive deposits; Meme Deposit; metal ores; metals; metamorphic rocks; metasomatic rocks; metasomatism; mineral deposits, genesis; mineral exploration; ore grade; oxides; paragenesis; polymetallic ores; porphyry copper; precious metals; pyrite; reserves; silver ores; skarn; sulfides; Terre Neuve mining district; Terre Neuve Stock; veins; West Indies; xenoliths. Abstract: The Terre Neuve Cu-Au-Ag district is the largest ore district in Haiti and one of the largest in the Caribbean. Ore is localized in a series of mineralized contact skarns that developed within xenoliths of Cretaceous limestone that were stoped into the 66.2 m.y. Terre Neuve stock. The Meme skarn is the largest and most productive deposit in the district; over 2 million tons of ore were produced from 1975-1971. The deposit historically has been an important source of copper. Small amounts of gold and silver were recovered as by-products of copper mining. The Meme skarn is a porphyry-related copper skarn that contains both vein/veinlet and disseminated/replacement copper mineralization. Chalcopyrite is the most abundant ore mineral, averaging 13% of skarn by volume, and is the principal phase that is extracted. Pyrite to chalcopyrite ratios are low compared with other porphyry-related copper skarns, averaging from 2:1 to 1:10 for individual samples. Precious metal concentrations of samples collected from the underground workings average 3.9 ppm and 21.7 ppm (N = 48) for gold and silver, respectively. The Meme skarn has suffered a lengthy mineral paragenesis. Main stage skarn formation of hydrograndite garnet+ or - tremolite and diopside was followed by skarn retrogradation and destruction as the operating hydrothermal system cooled and chemically evolved. Early retrograde epidote and chlorite were followed by calcite and quartz. Skarn metallization accompanied retrogradation, and included early deposition of massive iron oxides followed by vein and disseminated copper and iron sulfides. Precious metals were introduced late in the lifetime of the hydrothermal system, and they occur as microscopic veinlets and disseminations within chalcopyrite as alloys with base metals. Gold and silver concentrations are positively correlated with modal chalcopyrite, but are not evenly distributed throughout the body. Gold and silver vary according to the style of occurrence. The highest precious metal concentrations are associated with chalcopyrite+pyrite+quartz veins and veinlets. The veins/veinlets average 15.4 ppm gold and 64.1 ppm silver. Although volumetrically the most significant, massive replacement and disseminated ore have relatively low precious metal concentrations, averaging 1.8 ppm and 14.2 ppm for gold and silver, respectively. There is a minimum of 6.5 million tons (1000 kg/ton) of probable reserves at Meme, which includes 25,350 kg of gold, 141,050 kg of silver and 130,000 tons of copper. At today’s commodity prices of $380/oz for gold and $1/lb for copper, both gold and copper can be economically recovered. The Terre Neuve stock adjacent to the Meme skarn is composite in nature, containing both quartz monzonite and porphyry phases. The intrusive rocks apparently lack the low grade copper mineralization that is commonly associated with porphyry systems. Alteration and field studies indicate that only the uppermost portions of the porphyry system are currently exposed by erosion, and a potentially mineralized core is yet unroofed. Notes: References: 32; illus. incl. 6 plates; Map Scale: 1:5000. Type: geologic map. GeoRef Accession Number: 1994-056593.

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Mann, Paul, et al. 2005. “Reconnaissance study of Late Quaternary faulting along Cerro Goden fault zone, western Puerto Rico.” GSA Special Papers 2005, v. 385, p. 115-137. Abstract: The Cerro Goden fault zone is associated with a curvilinear, continuous, and prominent topographic lineament in western Puerto Rico. The fault varies in strike from northwest to west. In its westernmost section, the fault is ~500 m south of an abrupt, curvilinear mountain front separating the 270- to 361-m-high La Cadena de San Francisco range from the Río Añasco alluvial valley. The Quaternary fault of the Añasco Valley is in alignment with the bedrock fault mapped by D. McIntyre (1971) in the Central La Plata quadrangle sheet east of Añasco Valley. Previous workers have postulated that the Cerro Goden fault zone continues southeast from the Añasco Valley and merges with the Great Southern Puerto Rico fault zone of south-central Puerto Rico. West of the Añasco Valley, the fault continues offshore into the Mona Passage (Caribbean Sea) where it is characterized by offsets of seafloor sediments estimated to be of late Quaternary age. Using both 1:18,500 scale air photographs taken in 1936 and 1:40,000 scale photographs taken by the U.S. Department of Agriculture in 1986, we identified geomorphic features suggestive of Quaternary fault movement in the Añasco Valley, including aligned and deflected drainages, apparently offset terrace risers, and mountain-facing scarps. Many of these features suggest right-lateral displacement. Mapping of Paleogene bedrock units in the uplifted La Cadena range adjacent to the Cerro Goden fault zone reveals the main tectonic events that have culminated in late Quaternary normal-oblique displacement across the Cerro Goden fault. Cretaceous to Eocene rocks of the La Cadena range exhibit large folds with wavelengths of several kms. The orientation of folds and analysis of fault striations within the folds indicate that the folds formed by northeast-southwest shortening in present-day geographic coordinates. The age of deformation is well constrained as late Eocene–early Oligocene by an angular unconformity separating folded, deep-marine middle Eocene rocks from transgressive, shallow-marine rocks of middle-upper Oligocene age. Rocks of middle Oligocene–early Pliocene age above unconformity are gently folded about the roughly east-west–trending Puerto Rico–Virgin Islands arch, which is well expressed in the geomorphology of western Puerto Rico. Arching appears ongoing because onshore and offshore late Quaternary oblique-slip faults closely parallel the complexly deformed crest of the arch and appear to be related to extensional strains focused in the crest of the arch. We estimate ~4 km of vertical throw on the Cerro Goden fault based on the position of the carbonate cap north of the fault in the La Cadena de San Francisco and its position south of the fault inferred from seismic reflection data in Mayaguez Bay. Based on these
observations, our interpretation of the kinematics and history of the Cerro Goden fault zone includes two major phases of motion: (1) Eocene northeast-southwest shortening possibly accompanied by left-lateral shearing as determined by previous workers on the Great Southern Puerto Rico fault zone; and (2) post–early Pliocene regional arching of Puerto Rico accompanied by normal offset and right-lateral shear along faults flanking the crest of the arch. The second phase of deformation accompanied east-west opening of the Mona rift and is inferred to continue to the present day. doi: 10.1130/0-8137-2385-X.115. URL: http://specialpapers.gsapubs.org/content/385/115.abstract


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stratigraphic analysis of major unconformities in the Greater Antilles supports the idea of two distinct arcs that terminated by collision at slightly different times in the latest Cretaceous and Paleogene; unconformities and sedimentation associated with both collisions are used to constrain a prestrike-slip, early Oligocene reconstruction of the northern Caribbean; (2) field studies in the Port Maria area of northeastern Jamaica essentially complete mapping of the Wagwater Belt, a reactivated Paleogene graben and overlying sedimentary basin, that records approximately east-west extension normal to the trend of the latest Cretaceous Jamaican island arc; the relatively narrow Wagwater Graben contains at least 5.6 km of coarse clastic terrestrial sediments and is overlain by the much larger, saucer-shaped basin filled with a fining-upward section of 1.2 km of marine sediments; consideration of the orientation, distribution, and ages of other Cenozoic graben in Jamaica, the Nicaragua Rise and Central America suggests that all of the graben, including the Wagwater, may have formed by internal deformation of the northern Caribbean plate as it moved eastward during the Cenozoic around a promontory in the North America plate in southern Mexico; and (3) the interpretation of satellite imagery and aerial photographs and field studies in the Enriquillo Valley and Sierra el Numer, Dominican Republic; the Cul-de-Sac Valley and southern peninsula of Haiti; and the Clydesdale area of eastern Jamaica indicate the presence of a 700 km long, approximately east-west trending throughgoing left-lateral strike-slip fault zone--named here, the Enriquillo-Plantain Garden Fault Zone; field studies in the Clydesdale area and the overall fault pattern of Jamaica suggest that the island constitutes a large restraining bend or compressional segment in the Enriquillo-Plantain Garden Fault Zone; the overall structure of the Enriquillo-Plantain Garden Fault Zone is remarkably consistent with the east-west direction of Caribbean-North America relative plate motion which has been previously determined from earthquake slip vectors and fault-strikes mostly from the Cayman Trough. Although many problems remain in the late Cretaceous and Cenozoic geology of the Caribbean, a plate tectonic framework into which many of them can be accommodated is beginning to emerge. OCLC Accession Number: 8401427. URL: http://proquest.umi.com/pqdweb?did=750221361&Fmt=7&clientId=45714&RQT=309&VName=PQD.


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complex sequence of events. A bolide impact nearby produced microtektites that settled
to form a nearly pure layer at the base. Vaporized materials with anomalously high
extraterrestrial components settled last, along with carbonate sediments. The entire bed
came sparsely consolidated. Subsequently, another major disruptive event, perhaps a
giant tsunami, partly reworked the initial deposit. Cohesive fragments of the original
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said, a university hospital in the Haitian capital of Port-au-Prince was inundated with patients, and help from the brigade’s soldiers allowed the hospital staff to turn things around. The airport and naval ports now are operating at pre-earthquake capacity, McAttee said, and the security environment is vastly improved. “When you look at the trends in security, it has been very calm throughout our stay here,” he said. “There have been no acts of violence against American soldiers.” See: http://www.defense.gov/news/newsarticle.aspx?id=58466

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from treated areas were not significantly reduced. No ill or dead animals, besides the few fish, were seen even when maximum exposure occurred. Only minor changes in the feeding behavior of some insectivorous birds were observed. The relative bird density decreased substantially for only one species during the study, and other factors besides the treatment were considered to be the reasons for the decline. Aerial applications of ULV malathion at dosages sufficient to dramatically reduce anopheline populations did not significantly affect nontarget vertebrates in this tropical environment. Database: SCOPUS. ISSN: 0002-9637.

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easterly with respect to the Americas plate, which is here taken to include both North and South America and the western Atlantic. Left-lateral strike-slip motion along steeply dipping fault planes is observed on the Cayman trough. The Americas plate is underthrusting the Caribbean in a westerly direction at the Lesser Antilles and near Puerto Rico. Unlike the Lesser Antilles, however, motion at present is not perpendicular to the Puerto Rico trench but instead is almost parallel to the trench along nearly horizontal fault planes. Computations of rates of motion indicate that underthrusting is at a higher rate in southeastern Mexico and Guatemala than in western Mexico and that the Caribbean is moving at a lower rate relative to North America than is the Cocos plate. URL: http://gsabulletin.gsapubs.org/content/80/9/1639.abstract

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method has been field tested in Haiti. The results show that the bidding game format works better than the open question format. Households’ willingness-to-pay bids are systematically related with the variables suggested by economic theory. The hypotheses developed to test the existence of hypothetical bias, strategic bias and starting point bias in the willingness-to-pay bids were all rejected. A comparison study of water source choice behavior in a contingent market and in an observed market was undertaken in Brazil. In both the contingent valuation villages and the observed behavior village, the head of household’s education level is positively related with the probability of choosing the new system. Farmers are less likely to use the new system. The households’ income level does not have a significant effect on the source choice. In the contingent valuation villages, both strategic bias and starting point bias appear to exist in the willingness-to-pay bids. The hypothesis that there is no behavioral difference in source choice between the contingent market and the observed market is not convincingly conclusive. (Abstract shortened with permission of author.). OCLC Accession Number: 8823458. URL: http://proquest.umi.com/pqdweb?did=745280181&Fmt=7&clientId=45714&RQT=309&VName=PQD.


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the West Indian biogeographic region, including south Florida and the Yucatan Peninsula (in part), are reviewed. A synonymy, adult diagnosis, larval diagnosis, and comments on distribution, general ecology, and immature stages are provided for the subfamily. Similar information is also provided for other supraspecific taxa. Species-level taxa are treated in more detail with information falling under the following headings: synonymy, type locality, diagnosis, taxonomic notes, distribution, material examined, literature records, ecology, bionomics, immature stages, and parasites. Keys are provided to the tribes of Scaritinae of the world, including Oxylobini (new status) and Pasimachini (new status), and to all included genera, subgenera, and species. Antilliscaris Banninger and Semiardistomis Kult are raised from their previous rank as subgenera to full generic status. Two new species are described: Ardistomis franki n. sp. (from Hardwar Gap, Jamaica) and Ardistomis hispaniolensis n. sp. (from Ennery, Haiti). Fourteen species are newly synonymized and nine new combinations are formed. Sixty-five species of the subfamily Scaritinae are known from the West Indian biogeographic region. Of these, twenty-seven (41.5%) are endemic. Single island endemics are found on six islands: Cuba, Hispaniola, Jamaica, Puerto Rico, Guadeloupe, and Martinique. The Puerto Rican fauna has the highest level of endemism (38% of scaritines are endemic). The endemic West Indian scaritine fauna is dominated by stenotopic halophobic hygrobionts (salt intolerant species that require high levels of moisture), suggesting that fluctuating climates have played a prominent role in shaping the West Indian fauna. The distribution of scaritines and endemic genera of Coleoptera in the West Indies support the view that the Greater Antilles were colonized by over-water dispersal from the mainland, especially by rafting. In addition, the fauna seems to be in a state of flux, with significant numbers of probable introductions by man, particularly among species that are eurytopic with respect to their moisture requirements. OCLC Accession Number: 8804612. URL: http://proquest.umi.com/pqdweb?did=752312561&Fmt=7&clientId=45714&RQT=309&VName=PQD.

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families. These workers, with the dispensary’s health agents, delivered a minimum health care package, comprising maternal and child care, family planning, immunization, treatment of simple diseases, health and nutrition education, and environmental sanitation. In less than two years, there was a strong indication of declining mortality and malnutrition among children aged one to three years. No more cases of third-degree malnutrition were seen in the dispensary, and some 90% of children were fully immunized. Changes were evident in the health knowledge, attitudes, and practices of the population. It is expected that during 1993 the whole catchment area of the Plassac dispensary, with around 20,000 people, will be covered. The dispensary had to be upgraded to a community health center with two or three beds for emergency cases. ISSN: 0251-2432; 0251-2432.

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theory methods for computation of synthetic seismograms have been used to model short-
period local and near regional seismograms from small (M1 2.5-4.0) earthquakes located
in Australia and India. When the effect of crustal structure is adequately known, source
depth can be determined with an accuracy of 1 km or less from P and Rg wave arrivals
within the observed wave forms. The determination of source depth directly from the
wave form data offers a method of discrimination of explosives from earthquakes using
sparse station distribution since it is unlikely that explosions will be emplaced below
depths of a few kilometers. A method for computing the wavefield for SH and P-SV line
sources in and elastic layer-over-halfspace model with corrugated boundaries has been
developed to study the effect of imperfections in a crustal waveguide. The formulation
allows the computation of the wave field at any point within the model. The formulation
is appropriate for the study of scattered high frequency crustal phases such as Pg and Lg
and mantle phases such as Pn and Sn. Source parameters of selected earthquakes have
been obtained from inversion of teleseismic body wave data for use in regional wave
propagation studies. Upper mantle structure was examined using P waves form an
intermediate depth earthquake under Hispaniola. The relative amplitude and timing of
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Gynecomastia may occur as a normal physiologic development at certain ages or as a result of a variety of pathological conditions. An outbreak of gynecomastia was investigated at two processing centers of the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) between December 2, 1981, and May 14, 1982. At the Fort Allen Service Processing Center, Puerto Rico, gynecomastia was initially detected in 77 of 540 Haitian male entrants (14%) and in only 6 of 186 male employees of the center (3%) who were 18-50 years old; the difference in prevalence was statistically significant. At the Krome North Service Processing Center in Miami, Fla., gynecomastia was initially detected in 52 of 512 Haitian males 18-50 years old (10%). Two case-control studies did not demonstrate an association between gynecomastia and a number of factors that might have been related to an exogenous estrogen or to a substance with an estrogenic effect. Estrogen or estrogen-like substances were not found in food, water, or environmental samples. When the populations were rescreened several months later, 76 of the persons with gynecomastia detected in the first screening had total or partial remission. Persons with remission had arrived earlier - a mean of 21.6 days for those at Fort Allen and 36.7 for those at Krome - than did those with newly detected gynecomastia and those with continuing cases. The difference in arrival dates was significant (P<0.005 for Fort Allen and P<.001 for Krome). These results, in view of nutritional deprivation in Haiti, suggest that these cases may have been an outbreak of refeeding gynecomastia.
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sparse data, however, inferences about patterns of strain accumulation and release are a common occurrence. On pages 1119 and 1117 of this issue, Zielke et al. (4) and Grant Ludwig et al. (5) present data and interpretations providing an exciting new view that questions fault behavior models that have been applied to the south central San Andreas Fault for decades, highlighting the value of revisiting old problems with new techniques. ISSN: 0036-8075.


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aftershocks could continue for weeks or even months, according to USGS (see Figure 1). In recent decades, there had not been a major earthquake along the approximately 600-kilometer-long EPGFZ (named after the end points in Jamaica and the Dominican Republic), although seismologists indicate that large earthquakes in 1860, 1770, and earlier likely originated along that system. Database: GeoRef. ISSN: 0096-3941.

Shulman, Peter Adam. 2007. Empire of Energy: Environment, Geopolitics, and American Technology before the Age of Oil. United States- Massachusetts: Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Descriptors: American history; Science history; Environmental science; Energy. Abstract: This dissertation asks how the United States physically built its global empire. Between 1840 and 1930, empire building involved the establishment of a network of naval bases and coaling stations. By focusing on energy, I reconceptualize the American overseas empire as neither inevitable nor geographically predetermined. I trace how coal shaped U.S. expansion, how this expansion influenced ideas about national security, and how these security concerns affected the global environment. Coal reveals continuities in American foreign relations that link overseas expansion to responses to the introduction of steam power into ocean travel. As the Navy sought coal, it progressively assembled the familiar contours of America’s global reach. The dissertation addresses both global and local history. It shows how policy makers before the Civil War demonstrated tremendous creativity in initiating geological investigations, diplomatic arrangements, and commercial agreements in foreign territories. Between the Civil War and 1898, these approaches gradually gave way to a more singular effort by the Navy to control strategic ports around the world. Soon, coal was so central to the Navy that coaling strategy and technology formed a foundation for the education of elite officers at the Naval War College, where its study shaped the planning for future wars. Attention to Americans in Borneo, Japan, the Isthmus of Chiriqui, Haiti, and Alaska shows how coal reoriented the American geographic perspectives. Three themes structure this work. First, the peculiar geography of the U.S. overseas empire of coaling stations was never predetermined, for the perceived needs of expansion changed with evolving diplomatic and technological circumstances. Paying close attention to scientists and engineers, I show how the fundamental obstacles presented by coal were addressed not only by diplomacy but also new inventions and geological expeditions. Second, that the American pursuit of steamship lines, coal, and territory abroad took place amid the global context of other maritime nations. Finally, the ultimate shape of American global expansion often depended on the particular histories of specific places and local events. I thus show how coal linked mine labor, professional geologists, naval officers, and global expansion to the construction of a recognizably modern United States. OCLC Accession Number: 0818748. URL: http://proquest.umi.com/pqdweb?did=1379556051&amp;Fmt=7&amp;clientId=45714&amp;RQT=309&amp;VName=PQD.

Sigurdsson, H., Bont, Ph and Turpin, L. 1991. "Geochemical Constraints on Source Region of Cretaceous/Tertiary Impact Glasses." Nature. October 31. Volume 353, Pages 839-842. Descriptors: Glass; Mineralogical analysis; Geology/Haiti; General Science. Notes: Bibliography; Illustration. Abstract: New trace elements and stable and radiogenic isotope data are presented which show that the silicic black glass spherules from the K/T boundary layer at Beloc in Haiti are derived from continental crust of andesitic composition, whereas the high-Ca glass formed by melting of evaporite-rich
sediment. This is confirmed by melting experiments with evaporite and andesite at 1200-1400 C which approximately reproduce the high-Ca glass. The temperature-dependent variation of sulfur content in synthetic high-Ca glasses indicates a formation temperature of 1300 C for the Haiti glasses. The geology of the impact site inferred from the geochemistry of the Haiti glasses matches the lithologies found in the 180-km Chicxulub structure which occurs in Cretaceous evaporite deposits in Mexico. The high sulfur content of the calcic glasses suggests that the impact may have generated significant emissions of sulfur dioxide to the atmosphere, causing short-term global cooling. ISSN: 0028-0836.

Silliman, S. 2007. Observations from a Project to Encourage Multiple-Year, International Collaboration on Research for Undergraduates. ASEE Annual Conference and Exposition, Conference Proceedings114th Annual ASEE Conference and Exposition, 2007. Honolulu, HI Conference: 24 June 2007 through 27 June 2007. Descriptors: Curricula; Developing countries; International cooperation; Project management; Research and development management; Engineering undergraduates; Program formats; Engineering education. Abstract: Over the past 10 years, the author has experimented with a number of program formats designed to inform engineering undergraduates of the requirements of pursuing engineering projects in developing countries. These have included: (i) an elective course on water supply in developing countries, (ii) a service program in Haiti involving a combination of U.S. engineering and non-engineering undergraduates, (iii) an international REU program involving collaborative research in Benin (West Africa) among students from multiple universities in the U.S., and (iv) a recent experiment in multi-year research involving collaborations among U.S. undergraduates working with graduate students in Benin. A previous ASEE paper compared preliminary assessment of the first three types of programs (course, service, and REU). Results from this earlier assessment indicated that the multi-year program should represent a popular offering for U.S. undergraduates. Although the assessment of the first experience with the multi-year offering is limited by the number of student participants (4) such that the results must be interpreted with caution, the assessment leads to insight into the motivation, objectives, and constraints on an international, multi-year program. Among the positive outcomes are enhanced student appreciation (in both the US and Benin) of the potential benefit of international collaboration, recognition of common objectives (both educational and professional) among students from different cultures, and significant research results. Among the constraints not realized prior to this experience are the role that original student motivation has on long-term dedication to the project, the continuing language barriers that exist even after an 8-week common experience among the students, the challenge associated with disparate periods (in the two countries) during which the students have relatively free time to commit to the research effort, and the different educational philosophies of the two programs (U.S. and Benin). Notes: Sponsors: Dassault systemes; HP; Lockheed martin; IBM; DuPont; et al; conference code: 70739. Database: SCOPUS.

Research; Students; Water resources; Water supply; Education models; Elective courses; Financial resources; Curricula. Abstract: The challenge of increasing the exposure of undergraduate engineers to the opportunities for, and constraints on, working in developing countries has resulted, at the University of Notre Dame, in the examination of three models for providing appropriate learning experiences. Experience with a multidisciplinary experiential seminar on water supply in Haiti (involving students from multiple colleges at the University of Notre Dame) is compared both with a cross-disciplinary elective course on water supply development (again, involving students from multiple colleges at the University of Notre Dame) and with an REU (Research Experience for Undergraduates) site focused on water resources in developing countries (involving students from a number of universities and focused on research in Benin, Haiti, Honduras, and Chile). The Haiti seminar and the REU program both involve travel to, and interaction with, locals in the developing country. Impact of these three models on student learning is examined through application of surveys to students participating in each of these models, the pool of students applying to the research projects, a control group of senior engineering students, and representatives from industry. Both entrance and exit surveys were administered to the students in the elective course and students participating in the REU program. Among the similarities observed among students in all three groups was an increased perception (in particular, compared to the industry representatives) of need for education on international issues and the liberal arts. Differences among the groups were correlated to the primary learning objectives of the three models. Additionally, the Haiti and REU models attracted a disproportionately large percentage of women. Notes: Sponsors: American society for engineering education, ASEE; conference code: 63712. ISSN: 0190-1052. Database: SCOPUS.

Silliman, S. E. 2000. “Student Involvement in Water development/treatment in Rural Settings.” IAHS-AISH Publication. Issue 260, Pages 171. Abstract: The Department of Civil Engineering and Geological Sciences at the University of Notre Dame has a rich history of involving students in a variety of projects designed to enhance their understanding and appreciation of problems associated with developing and maintaining high quality drinking water supplies. These projects have included: design of wetlands for treatment, design of wellhead protection for rural settings, international distance learning, and water supply/treatment studies in Haiti, Mexico and the Czech Republic. These educational efforts are paying significant dividends in terms of the overall educational experience of the students and the awareness of these young engineers of the challenges faced in both high and low technology settings. Database: SCOPUS. ISSN: 0144-7815.

Silliman, Stephen E. 2002. “The Role of Undergraduate Students in Water Resource Projects in Developing Countries; Geological Society of America, 2002 Annual Meeting.” Abstracts with Programs - Geological Society of America. Oct. Volume 34, Issue 6, Pages 244. Descriptors: Africa; Antilles; Benin; Caribbean region; college-level education; developing countries; education; Greater Antilles; Haiti; Hispaniola; water resources; West Africa; West Indies. Abstract: Experience through a number of projects has shown the tremendous value obtained by including undergraduate students in water resources projects in developing countries. Among the benefits to the students are: (i) field application of classroom principals, (ii) close interaction in a multidisciplinary group of students, and (iii) exposure to a dramatically different cultural setting. Benefits
to the project include: (i) removing cultural barriers between the native population and the project team, (ii) increased energy and efficiency in the field, and (iii) new insights into project objectives. Examples are drawn from recent projects in Haiti and Benin. Database: GeoRef. ISSN: 0016-7592.

Singer, Bradley S., Hoffman, Kenneth A., Chauvin, Annick, Coe, Robert S. and Pringle, Malcolm S. 1999. "Dating Transitionally Magnetized Lavas of the Late Matuyama Chron - Toward a New Ar-40/Ar-39 Timescale of Reversals and Events." Journal of Geophysical Research. 10 Jan. 1999. Volume 104, Issue B1, Pages 679-693. Descriptors: Geomagnetism; Lava; Argon Isotopes; Basalt; Subduction (Geology); Paleomagnetism; Polarity; Haiti; Geodynamics. Abstract: The K-Ar based geomagnetic polarity timescale was constructed using data from lavas and tuffs that bracketed, but rarely dated, the transitions between polarity intervals. Subsequent Ar-40/Ar-39 dating indicated that the ages of some polarity transitions had been underestimated by about six percent. We have used incremental-heating techniques to obtain 18 new Ar-40/Ar-39 ages from basaltic lavas within flow sequences at Punaruu Valley, Tahiti, and Haleakala volcano, Hawaii. These lavas record transitional paleomagnetic directions corresponding to four mid-Pleistocene polarity reversals or events. Three lavas from Punaruu Valley previously thought to record the Cobb Mountain Normal Polarity Subchron (CMNS) gave a mean age of 1.105 +/- 0.005 Ma, indicating that they were erupted about 76 kyr after the CMNS; this period of transitional field behavior is designated the Punaruu event. In addition, seven new Ar-40/Ar-39 ages from the Punaruu Valley indicate that the Jaramillo Normal Polarity Subchron (JNS) lasted about 67 kyr, starting at 1.053 +/- 0.006 Ma and ending 0.986 +/- 0.005 Ma. This agrees with astronomical estimates but conflicts with JNS ages proposed by Spell and McDougall (1992) and Izett and Obradovich (1994) on the basis of Ar-40/Ar-39 dating of rhyolite domes in the Valles Caldera. Indistinguishable Ar-40/Ar-39 ages of seven lavas, including one from Punaruu Valley and six from Haleakala that record broadly similar intermediate paleodirections, suggest that the Kamikatsura event occurred at 0.886 +/- 0.003 Ma. The discovery of these new short-lived polarity events during the Matuyama reversed chron suggests that the 400-kyr period between 1.18 and 0.78 Ma experienced no less than seven and perhaps more than 11 attempts by the geodynamo to reverse. Database: CSA Technology Research Database. ISSN: 0148-0227.

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Sinton, Christopher W. 1996. A Tale of Two Large Igneous Provinces; Geochronological and Geochemical Studies of the North Atlantic Volcanic Province and the Caribbean Oceanic Plateau. United States: Oregon State University, Corvallis, OR, United States. Descriptors: absolute age; anaerobic environment; Antilles; Ar/Ar; Arctic region; Atlantic Ocean; basalts; Caribbean region; Caribbean Sea; Central America; Colombia; continental margin; Costa Rica; Cretaceous; crust; Curacao; dates; decompression; dissolved materials; extinction; Gorgona Island; Greater Antilles; Greenland; Haiti; Hispaniola; igneous activity; igneous rocks; lava; Leg 152; Lesser Antilles; magnetic anomalies; mantle; marine environment; melting; Mesozoic; mid-ocean ridge basalts; Netherlands Antilles; Nicoya Peninsula; North American Plate; North Atlantic; North Atlantic volcanic province; Ocean Drilling Program; oceanic crust; oxygen; plate tectonics; sea water; South America; South American Plate; upper mantle; volcanic rocks; volcanism; West Greenland; West Indies. Notes: ODP, Ocean Drilling Program. GeoRef Accession Number: 1997-037955.


Smith, Stephen C. 1998. "Is there a Role for Attack Helicopters in Peace Operations?" Volume: NASA no. 19980227166; DTIC: AD-A350068, Descriptors: Attack helicopters; Modification; Organizations; Haiti; Criteria; Land; Constrictions; Training aircraft; Aircraft components; Mines; Training; Military Operations; Peacetime; Attack Aircraft; Military Helicopters; Investigation; Theses; Military Psychology; Deployment. Abstract: This thesis is a study to determine if attack helicopters are needed in peace operations. It uses case studies of two peace operations in which the U.S. Army employed attack helicopters: Operation Uphold Democracy in Haiti and Operation Joint Endeavor in Bosnia. The case studies examine the doctrine, mission analysis, predeployment training, new equipment and equipment modifications, task organization, deployment, and employment of attack helicopter units in each operation. Because the operations are very recent, the study relies heavily on interviews and lessons learned from individuals who took part in each operation. The analysis evaluated each operation using six criteria that were common to both operations. These criteria included doctrine, mission analysis, task organization, training, aircraft modifications/preparation, and employment. This thesis concludes that there is a role for attack helicopters in peace operations. Attack helicopters were critical to the success of operations in both Haiti and Bosnia because of their ability to operate in the ground environment without restrictions due to terrain or land mines, and their psychological impact as a deterrent to the escalation of violence. PURL: http://handle.dtic.mil/100.2/ADA350068

fertility; Haiti. Abstract: Diagnoses the physical and socio-economic environment encountered by the small farmers, including agro-ecology, erosion processes, land-use systems, social and economic factors. How Haitian farmers then adapt their land-use strategies to face their complex situations is then analysed. An alternate approach based on a rationale for rural development with careful management of water and soil fertility (GCES). Described here are the base lines of project intervention, how the management has been organised with the participation of the rural communities, and the techniques employed for improving production and maintaining the natural environment. Also displayed are how the technical decisions are directly linked to the original diagnosis, and how these decisions must answer to the needs of the rural communities. Database: SCOPUS. OCLC: 77449363.

Snyderman, Judith. 2010. “Military Engineers Help Haiti Build Better Future.” American Forces Press Service. Emerging Media, Defense Media Activity. Abstract: An initial priority for engineers was to assess the main seaport which was heavily damaged. Analysis showed that the port’s north pier was a complete loss, Wink said, but by the end of February, Seabees and Army divers had repaired the south pier well enough to allow small watercraft to relay critical humanitarian supplies from ships stationed offshore to troops at the pier, who transported them to stranded civilians. By the end of March, he added, the south pier was fully operational, and the port is now being run entirely by Haitian authorities with no Defense Department involvement. See: http://www.defense.gov/news/newsarticle.aspx?id=58777


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