



Country card

Central African Republic





General country data

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Country	CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC	Cameroon	France
Population	4,745,185	25,876,380	67,059,887
HDI	0.381	0.563	0.891
Adjusted HDI	0.222	0.371	0.809
Gender development index	0.8	0.87	0.98
Maternal mortality (rate per 100,000)	540	782	10
GINI Index	56.2	46.6	31.6
Population within the UNHCR mandate	6,655	380,329	368,352
INFORM Index	7.9	6.6	2.2
Fragile State Index	107.5	97.9	30.5
Net ODA	655.66	1164.13	0



b. Humanitarian law instruments ratified by the country

Humanitarian law instruments	Status
1951 Geneva Convention	
1967 Protocol	4 September 1962
1949 Geneva Conventions	20 August 1967
Final Act of the Geneva Diplomatic Conference, 1974-1977	Ratification/Accession: 01/08/1966 Signature: 10/06/1977
Additional Protocol I to the Geneva Conventions, 1977	
Additional Protocol II to the Geneva Conventions, 1977	Ratification/Accession: 17/07/1984 Ratification/Accession: 17/07/1984
Convention on the Rights of the Child, 1989	Ratification/Accession: 23/04/1992
Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the involvement of children in armed conflict, 2000	Ratification/Accession: 21/09/2017 Reservation/Declaration: 21/09/2017
Protocol for the Prohibition of the Use in War of Asphyxiating, Poisonous or other Gases, and of Bacteriological Methods of Warfare, 1925	Ratification/Accession: 31/07/1970
Biological Weapons Convention, 1972	Ratification/Accession: 25/09/2018
Biological Weapons Convention, 1993	Ratification/Accession: 20/09/2006
Mine Ban Convention, 1997	Ratification/Accession: 8/11/2002
Convention on Cluster Munitions, 2008	Signature: 03/12/2008
Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons, 2017	Signature: 20/09/2017
Statute of the International Criminal Court, 1998	Ratification/Accession: 03/10/2001
International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance, 2006	Ratification/Accession: 11/10/2016 Ratification/Accession: 07/10/2015
Arms Trade Treaty, 2013	



c. Geopolitical analysis

The Central African Republic suffers from structural underdevelopment and is one of the poorest countries in the world, ranking second-to-last on the UN Development Programme's 2018 Human Development Index.

The country has suffered chronic instability since gaining independence in 1958, and the Third Central African Civil War, which began in 2013, led to an unprecedented humanitarian, political and security crisis. Although the violence has since abated, it has persisted up to the present day and led to a significant worsening of the humanitarian situation.

Economic situation

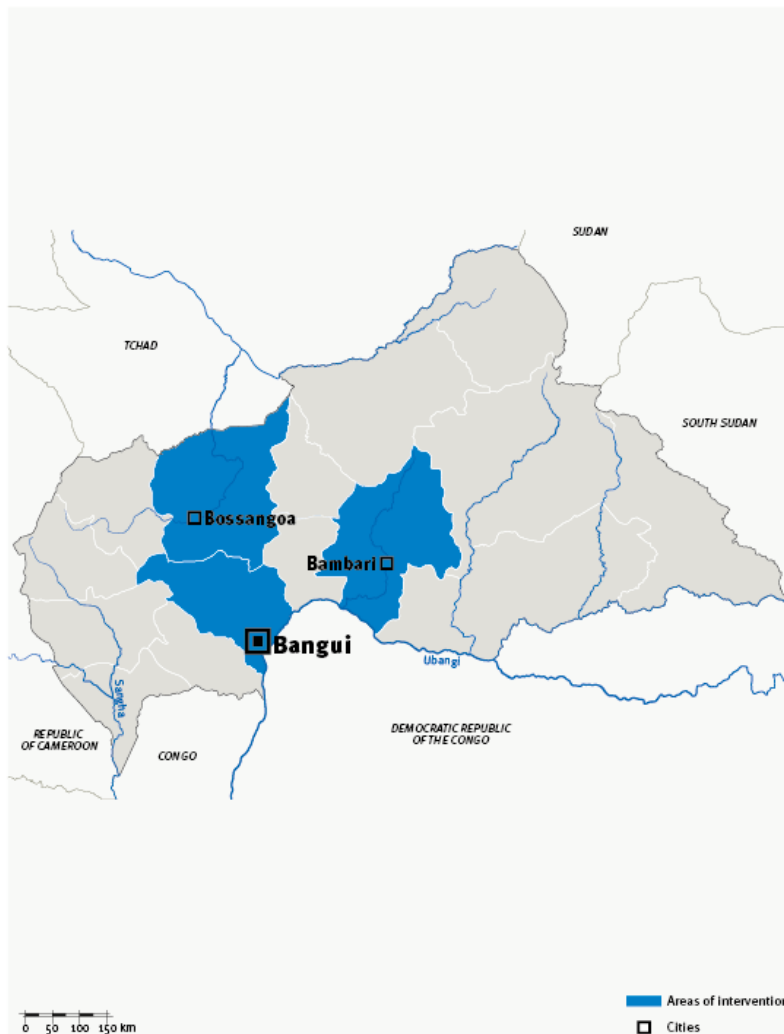
The crisis that began in 2013 led to a 37% decline in Gross Domestic Product (GDP). By 2014, GDP had declined to its 1990 level. Insecurity and the repeated population displacement that resulted from it have seriously impacted agricultural production, which has fallen by 58%, leading to higher food prices. Before the 2013-2014 crisis, at least 75% of the population lived from agriculture, which has led to a high dependency on food aid.



HI's team and where we work

HI's team in CAR has 146 staff members.

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Summary of HI's work in the country

HI worked in the Central African Republic from 1994 to 2004 to implement various development programmes.

The organisation is once again active in CAR through its logistics platform projects, which support and facilitate the delivery of aid by humanitarian organisations throughout the country.

In September 2018, HI implemented rehabilitation care activities at Bambari General Hospital in Ouaka prefecture. This programme provides support to the surgery department of the general hospital in order to build the capacities and enhance the care-management of the many people injured by violence in and around the city, in partnership with MSF.

An Inclusive Technical Action Unit (CTAI) with national coverage was set up in 2019 in Bangui. The work done by the CTAI enables NGOs to adapt their response to people with special needs and ensures they are able to access humanitarian aid.

Lastly, since the emergence of the Covid-19 pandemic in CAR, HI has developed several inclusive awareness projects on personal protection measures and the protection of vulnerable people.



Current projects

Sectors where HI implements projects, focusing on beneficiaries and partners

Main sectors	Project goals in the sector	Main activities	Beneficiaries	Beneficiaries at the end of the project	Partners	Location	Project start and end date and funding bodies
Logistics platform	Increase and enhance access by the humanitarian community to the most remote provinces of the Central African Republic/ provinces with the most vulnerable populations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Air pre-facilitation, cargo transportation and storage ● Runway rehabilitation ● Road platform: transport and storage for humanitarian actors ● Roadway rehabilitation 	<p>Air platform: 154 humanitarian actors and UNHAS users</p> <p>Road platform: 32 humanitarian actors benefiting from platform services</p>	Humanitarian actors and indirectly their beneficiaries	<p>UNHAS, Logistics Cluster, PUI</p> <p>Over a 12-month period, 30 organisations use our services on average.</p>	<p>Logistics coordination in Bangui</p> <p>Air platform at Bangui airport</p> <p>Logistics and storage platforms in Bambari and Bangassou</p> <p>Transport across the country</p>	<p>-Air platform (start date unknown): UNHAS and Logistics Cluster</p> <p>-Runway rehabilitation (since July 2020): UNHAS</p> <p>-Road platform (since 2015): OFDA and FH</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Roadway rehabilitation



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							(11/19 – 04/20): FH
Integrated rehabilitation	Help reduce the impact of the crisis in CAR on vulnerable people	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ●Physiotherapy care ● Supply of mobility aids ● Prosthesis and orthosis orthopaedic-fitting workshop ● Training of health staff ● Psychosocial support ●Social mediation activities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ●Patients in MSF's surgery department ●Outpatients ●Caregivers 	The whole community through social mediation	MSF	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ●Bambari General Hospital ●Batangafo Hospital 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ●Bambari (since 2018): CDCS, GFFO ● Batangafo (08/19-04/20): MAE Lux, FH



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<p>Inclusive Action Technical Unit (CTAI)</p>	<p>Help reduce the impact of the crisis in CAR on vulnerable people</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ●Disability and inclusion awareness-raising for humanitarian actors and the population ●Training and coaching of humanitarian actors to adapt humanitarian response ● Support for disabled people’s organisations ●Advocacy for people at risk of exclusion 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Humanitarian actors ● Disabled people’s organisations ● People with disabilities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ●People with special needs and at risk of exclusion 	<p>N/A</p>	<p>The CTAI is located in Bangui but has national reach</p>	<p>Since May 2019: GFFO, FH</p>
<p>COVID-19 response:</p>	<p>Support pandemic preparedness, mitigation, and response to the Covid-19 pandemic in the Central African Republic</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ●General awareness of Covid-19 ●Specific awareness-raising on Covid-19 for vulnerable people and people with special needs ●Radio announcements, posters, door-to-door, caravans 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ●Raising the awareness of the Central African population ●People vulnerable to Covid-19 	<p>Central African population</p>	<p>Solidarités Internationales Médecins du Monde</p>	<p>Bangui and Bégoua health district Bangassou and the surrounding area Bambari and the surrounding area</p>	<p>Various funding bodies from April to November 2020: FCDO, FH, CDCS, GFFO/ADH, MAE Lux</p>



Donors

<p>Fonds Humanitaire</p> <p>FH RCA Fonds Humanitaire République centrafricaine</p>	<p>UNHAS</p> <p> UNHAS Humanitarian Air Service</p>
<p>German Federal Foreign Office</p> <p> german humanitarian assistance DEUTSCHE HUMANITÄRE HILFE</p>	<p>USAID/OFDA</p> <p> USAID FROM THE AMERICAN PEOPLE</p>
<p>MAE Lux</p> <p> LE GOUVERNEMENT DU GRAND-DUCHÉ DE LUXEMBOURG</p>	<p>FCDO</p> <p> UKaid from the British people</p>
<p>CDCS</p> <p> CENTRE DE CRISE ET DE SOUTIEN Ministère de l'Europe et des Affaires étrangères</p>	