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Country Sheet  
**Togo**  
(SAHA  
regional  
programme)

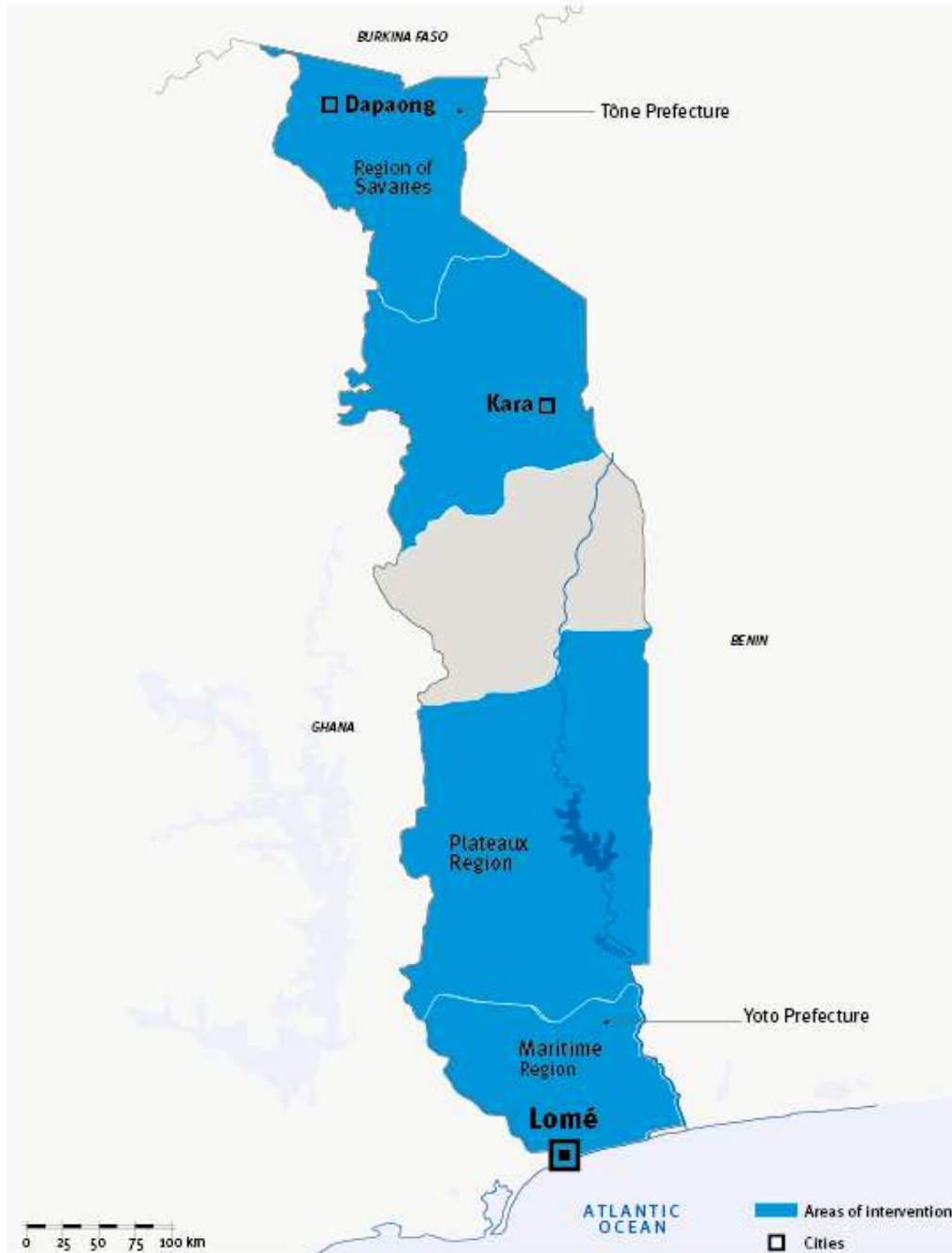




# HI's team and areas of intervention

There are 41 employees in HI's team in Togo

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# General Country Data

## a. General data

Country	TOGO	Neighbouring country: BENIN	France
Population	8,278,737	12,123,198	67,391 582
IHDI	0.515	0.545	0.809
Gender development index	0.822	0.855	0.98
Maternal mortality	396	397	10
GINI index	43.1	47.8	31.6
Population under UNHCR mandate	12,336	1,174	368,352
INFORM index	4.6	4.1	2.2
Fragile states index	85.8	72.5	30.5
Public social protection	2.6	4.2	31.7
Official development assistance received	345.1	360.6	0

## b. Humanitarian law instruments ratified by the country

Humanitarian law instruments	Status
Mine ban treaty	Ratified in 2000
Convention on Cluster Munitions	Ratified in June 2012
United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities	Ratified in 2000 Presentation of 2021 report



### **c. Geopolitical analysis**

Situated in West Africa, Togo has experienced several political crises caused by the organisation of its presidential elections. Indeed, although the country has had a democratic regime since independence, it has been disrupted by highly controversial elections.

The country has many natural resources (gold, phosphate, etc.), but there is much inequality and poverty, especially among people with disabilities who continue to encounter many barriers.

Today, Togo faces a growing terrorist threat due to its porous borders with Burkina Faso, a country plagued by terrorist attacks since January 2015.



# Summary of HI's work in the country

HI launched a programme in Togo in 1997. After being approached by the Centre National d'Appareillage Orthopédique [National Orthopaedic and Physiotherapy Centre] (CNAO), it was decided to provide support to the CNAO and six other centres in the region.

From 1997 to 2006, the focus was on functional rehabilitation and civil society support. On the functional rehabilitation front, several centres were refurbished and equipped, and activities were implemented to strengthen training at ENAM [Togo's National School of Medical Auxiliaries]. In terms of civil society support, a project was launched to provide structural support to two federations of people with disabilities (FETAPH and FETOSPHA).

In 2007, the Togo programme strengthened exchanges between the national Buruli Ulcer Control programmes in Togo, Benin and Ghana. During this period, interventions in Togo were diversified. In the functional rehabilitation field, the teams pursued a local approach and supported the training of speech therapists, with a gradual withdrawal from orthoprosthetics.

In 2009, the programme adopted a new operational strategy to "Improve the quality of life of people with disabilities, promote their full participation in society and prevent the causes of disability". An inclusive education project was started in Dapaong.

Between 2009 and 2014, the programme was the only one to work on Buruli ulcer and the first Francophone programme to implement road-safety activities. A prison project was also implemented.

Over this period, the programme made significant improvement in its communication, with the production of annual reports, regular media coverage of activities and the production of films and radio programmes. On the International Day of Persons with Disabilities in 2010, it organised a series of innovative events (a debate, an inclusive fashion show, concerts, exhibitions, etc.) in support of the ratification of the International Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities.

In 2016, HI extended the scope of its activities to include mother and child health and mental health. The inclusive education project was expanded, with the aim of extending it to the entire country. Projects in aid of detainees in Lomé prison were implemented for a four-year period.

In 2019, the programme was extended to the surrounding region; it is now part of a regional programme (SAHA), which includes Benin, Niger and Burkina Faso.





# Overview of current projects

Sectors in which HI is running projects, with a focus on beneficiaries and partners

Main sectors of intervention	Objectives of the project in the sector	Main activities:	Beneficiaries	Beneficiaries at the end of the project	Partners	Location	Project start and end dates and institutional donors
<b>Mental Health Project</b>							
<b>Mental health and psychosocial support</b>	To develop and implement community-based prevention and response strategies to improve the quality of life and well-being of people in psychosocial distress and/or living with mental health disorders	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Strengthening national mental health strategies</li> <li>• Supporting the development of national thematic working groups</li> <li>• Developing and implementing a national capacity-building plan</li> <li>• Deploying a multidisciplinary and community-based mobile team</li> <li>• Supporting the development of psychosocial services</li> <li>• Developing/strengthening psychosocial rehabilitation activities</li> <li>• Supporting the development and/or strengthening local prevention and care actions</li> <li>• Helping user associations in establishing a national base</li> <li>• Community awareness-raising to reduce stigma and improve the identification/referral and case management of people in distress</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• People in psychosocial distress or suffering from a mental health disorder</li> <li>• Health professionals (medical, paramedical and psychosocial)</li> <li>• Care services provision centres</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 6,000 people in psychosocial distress or suffering from a mental health disorder</li> <li>• 80 focal points</li> <li>• 40 professionals from the Ministry of Health</li> <li>• 1 civil society organisation strengthened</li> <li>• 4 care services provision centres</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The association “Vie Libérée”</li> <li>• Regional Social Action Directorate</li> <li>• Zébé psychiatric hospital</li> <li>• Saint Jean de Dieu d’Agoé mental health centre</li> <li>• The NGO, RAPAA</li> <li>• Dapaong regional hospital</li> </ul>	National	<p>January 2018 to December 2021</p> <p>AFD</p>



- Awareness-raising and training of actors from civil society and public organisations in mental disability and psychosocial issues

**Ensemble project: Sexual and reproductive health**

<p><b>ENSEMBLE project</b></p> <p><b>Sexual and reproductive health and rights</b></p>	<p>To improve access to sexual and reproductive health services and associated rights, with a focus on women and adolescent girls, including those with disabilities</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Social engagement</li> <li>• Capacity-building of women and girls as a priority</li> <li>• Promoting positive masculinity</li> <li>• Stimulating the demand for services</li> <li>• Providing gender-, age- and disability- sensitive services</li> <li>• Advocacy</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Women of child-bearing age</li> <li>• Young people and teenagers, including those with disabilities</li> <li>• Health centres on the periphery of the Lacs health district</li> <li>• Personnel of supported health centres</li> <li>• Teachers from supported schools and training centres</li> <li>• Organisations of people with disabilities and civil society organisations</li> <li>• Peer educators from supported schools and training centres</li> <li>• Communities of the affected health areas</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 49,430 women of child-bearing age</li> <li>• 50 health workers</li> <li>• 38 teachers</li> <li>• 40 young and teenage peer educators</li> <li>• 40 community health workers</li> <li>• 4,000 teenagers and young people from school and after-school environments, with at least 50% women</li> <li>• 5,000 participants in community dialogues</li> <li>• 23 health centres, including 5 with spaces adapted for teenagers</li> <li>• 5 civil society organisations</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lacs health district</li> <li>• Prefectural Directorate of Social Action</li> <li>• Prefectural Directorate of Primary and Secondary Education</li> <li>• Association for the Promotion of Basic Education</li> </ul>	<p>Aného, Lacs prefecture</p>	<p>04.2020 – 03.2023</p> <p>Global Affairs Canada (GAC)</p>
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<p><b>Inclusive education</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To make tangible improvements to the living conditions of people with disabilities and vulnerable populations through an inclusive and participatory approach</li> <li>• To improve access to and the quality of inclusive education for girls and boys with disabilities though the progressive scaling-up of innovative strategies in the Education/Training continuum.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Adapting inclusive education initiation/information modules</li> <li>• Raising awareness in teacher training colleges and higher teacher training colleges, integration and implementation of the inclusive education approach in the initial training curricula of students</li> <li>• Advocacy for the adoption of a decree on the texts regulating adaptations in national examinations and competitions</li> <li>• Setting up pedagogical resource centres</li> <li>• Training and support of teachers with pedagogical adaptations</li> <li>• Producing a case study/knowledge capitalisation document</li> <li>• Supporting the Ministry of Technical Education, Training and Vocational Inclusion for the development of the inclusive vocational training services directory</li> <li>• Participating in the workings for the adoption of a national vocational training policy</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1,600 children with disabilities enrolled in the project's schools and colleges, 410 of whom will benefit from personalised support</li> <li>• 150 young people with disabilities in vocational training with local follow-up</li> <li>• 200 stakeholders trained</li> <li>• More than 300 people informed</li> <li>• 255 schools and 2 partners</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 23,000 primary school students</li> <li>• 1,482 young people from 2 pilot technical colleges</li> <li>• People with disabilities in Togo</li> <li>• National and regional public authorities</li> <li>• All civil society actors active in the vocational training, disability and/or training sectors</li> <li>• People living in the prefectures of Tône, Cinkassé, Tandjoaré and Kozah</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ministry of Primary, Secondary and Technical Education and Crafts and its decentralised structures</li> <li>• Ministry of Social Action, the Promotion of Women and Literacy</li> <li>• Togolese Federation of Associations of Persons with Disabilities and its member associations</li> <li>• Union of regional trade councils</li> </ul>	<p>Kara region</p>	<p>01.2022 – 12. 2026</p> <p>AFD</p>
<p><b>SIGNAL project</b></p> <p><b>Supply chain &amp; access capacity-building of humanitarian</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To improve the choice of most vulnerable zones</li> <li>• To guide humanitarian actors and</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Calculating the logistical vulnerability index through the collection of secondary data</li> <li>• Conducting local logistical resilience assessment based on evaluations of markets, actors and supply chains, transport services</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Humanitarian actors</li> <li>• Political decision-makers</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Humanitarian actors</li> <li>• Political decision-makers</li> <li>• Populations</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ministries and technical services for secondary data</li> <li>• International, national and local NGOs</li> </ul>	<p>Prefectures of Kpendjal Tandjouaré Oti Oti Sud Bassar Dankpen</p>	<p>01.2021 – 10.2022</p> <p>BHA (OFDA)</p>





<p><b>and market actors</b></p>	<p>political deciders towards the most beneficial projects for the populations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To further reduce the negative impacts of humanitarian interventions</li> </ul>	<p>and prices, the road network and bridges/crossings</p>			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• National Civil Protection Agency</li> <li>• Decentralised local government</li> <li>• Opinion leaders</li> </ul>		
<p><b>MAKING IT WORK project</b></p> <p><b>Inclusive governance</b></p>	<p>To strengthen the promotion and protection of the rights of people with disabilities, with a focus on discrimination and violence towards women and young girls with disabilities</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Identifying organisations showing best practice on violence against women with disabilities</li> <li>• Implementing a capacity-building plan for the identified organisations</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Organisations of people with disabilities and Women’s organisations</li> <li>• Civil society organisations</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Organisations of people with disabilities</li> <li>• Beneficiaries of organisations of people with disabilities</li> </ul>	<p>Identification underway</p>	<p>Lomé Savanes region</p>	<p>08.2020 – 07.2023</p>



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