

Box 3: Poverty Monitoring Indicators

The Haitian Institute of Statistics (IHSI) is the main producer of population and economic data (See Table). It conducted the last Population Census in 1982 and an Income-Expenditure survey in 1986/87 (Enquete Budget Consommation des Menages, (EBCM)). In recent years, the IHSI has completed several major statistical undertakings including an EBCM in 1999/00 and a Living Condition Survey in 2001 (Enquete des Conditions de Vie en Haiti, (ECVH)), which is an on-going activity. The latter three surveys could be used to analyze poverty based on income/consumption including poverty levels, evolution and determinants of poverty, factors behind the evolution of poverty (such as growth and income distribution), poverty sensitivity to growth and the assets of the poor including labor and education. A new population census is expected to be conducted by the IHSI in late 2001.

The Institut Haitien de l'Enfance (IHE) with foreign technical assistance recently published the results of the "Enquete Mortalité, Morbidité et Utilisation des Services" (EMMUS-III). This survey based on the master sample recently developed by the IHSI is a comprehensive demographic and health survey. EMMUS-III could be used together with previous similar surveys (EMMUS-I, 1987/88 and EMMUS-II, 1994/95) to analyze the determinants and evolution of social indicators like education, health and access to basic infrastructure services.

Table: Census and Recent Household Surveys

Survey	Date	Executing Agency and Funding	Purpose	Sample Size
Census				
Population Census	1982	Institut Haitien de Statistique et Informatique (IHSI)	Population survey with limited data on economic activity.	
Population Census	2001 (on-going)	IHSI	Population survey	
Socio-Economics Surveys				
Households Survey (EBCM 1986/87)	1986-1987	IHSI with funding from USAID	Collect socioeconomic and household consumption and revenue data for the national accounts.	3,120 households 2,080 urban 1,060 rural
Households Survey (EBCM 1999/00)	1999-2000 (under publication)	IHSI	Same as EBCM 1986-87	4,752 households
Living Conditions Survey (ECVH 2001)	2001 (on-going)	IHSI/FAO	Collect socioeconomic and household consumption data.	Approximately 7,000 households
Health Surveys				
EMMUS-I	1987-1988	Institut Haitien de l'Enfance (IHE) with funding from USAID	Demographic and health survey.	4,025 households
EMMUS-II	1994-1995	IHE with funding from USAID	Comprehensive and nationwide demographic and health survey	4,800 households; 1,200 PAP 900 urban 2,700 rural
EMMUS-III	2000	IHE with funding from USAID	Comprehensive and nationwide demographic and health survey	9,595 households