



Country card

Mali



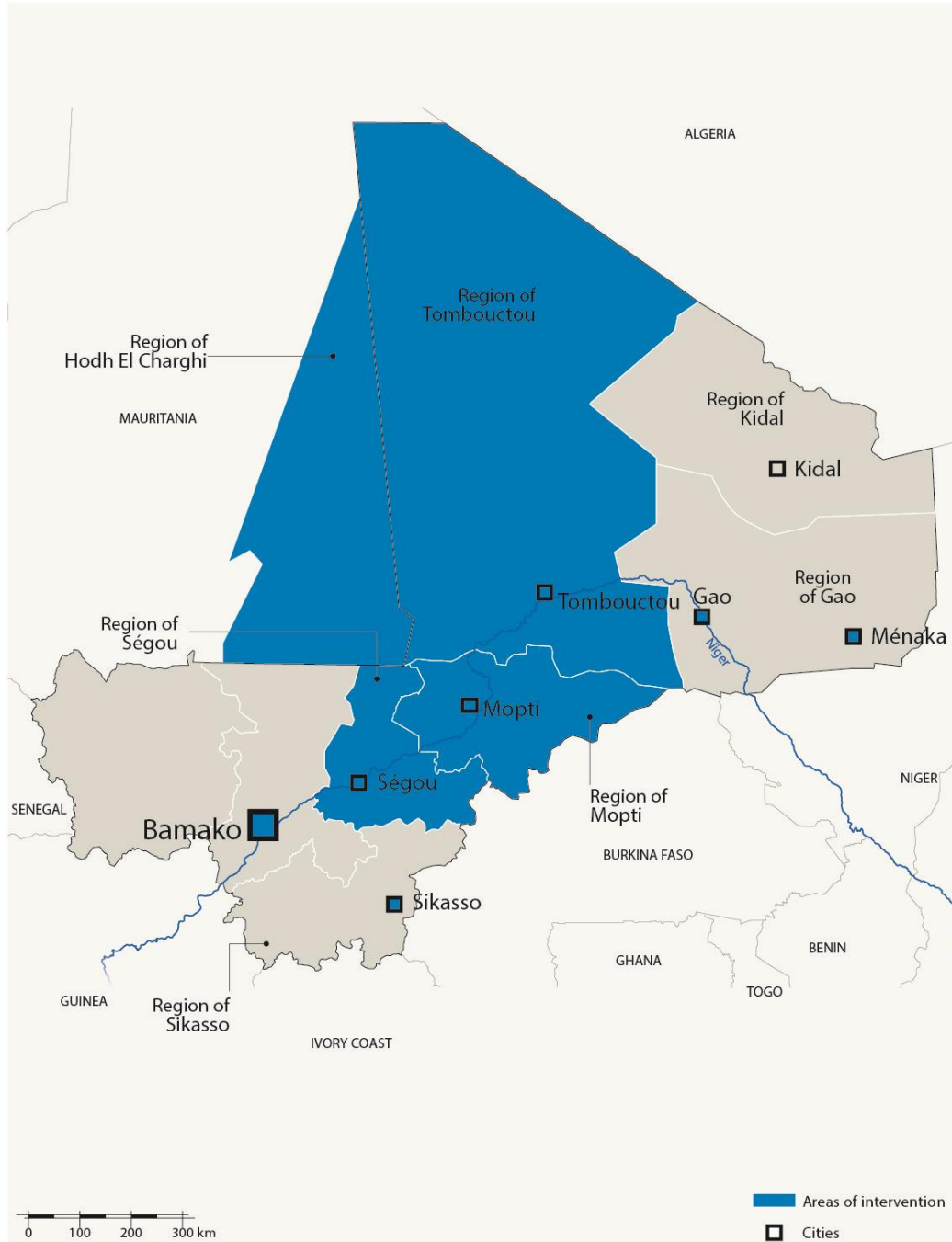


HI's team and where we work

There are 195 staff members on HI's team in Mali.



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General country data

a. General data



Country	Mali	Neighbouring country Burkina Faso	France
Population	19,658,031	20,321,378	67,059,887
HDI	0.427	0.434	0.891
IHDI	0.294	0.303	0.809
Maternal mortality	368	341	10
Gender Related Development Index	0.81	0.87	0.98
Population within UNHCR mandate	26,539	25,122	368,352
INFORM Index	6.3	6.4	2.2
Fragile State Index	96	85.9	30.5
GINI Index ¹	X	35.3	31.6
Net official development assistance received	1492.24	1110.58	0

b. Humanitarian law instruments ratified by the country

Humanitarian law instruments	Status
Mine Ban Treaty	ratified in 1998
Convention on Cluster Munitions	ratified in 2008
Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities	ratified in 2010
Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities	Promulgation in June 2018 Implementing decree in the process of finalisation

c. Geopolitical analysis

1. Social, cultural and demographic context

Mali has a population of 15 million, composed of several ethnic groups. Although French is the official language, most people speak national languages. A landlocked country, Mali is one of the 48 least developed countries (LDCs) in terms of its socio-economic development and has an economy that is still predominantly rural. The security situation in Mali remains a matter of concern, particularly in the central and northern regions, where violence is on the rise.

2. Political situation

¹ <https://data.worldbank.org/indicator/SI.POV.GINI>



The Agreement for Peace and Reconciliation resulting from the Algiers Process was signed in June 2015 by the government and armed groups. Designed to bring peace to North Mali, it provided for the disarmament of armed groups and greater powers for the regions. Since the beginning of 2018, however, central Mali has been affected by armed conflict between radical groups.

3. Economic situation

Despite the unstable political and security situation, the country's economy continues to grow, with real GDP growth estimated at 5% in 2018², driven mainly by agriculture and cotton, and services including finance and trade. Mali's economy is insufficiently diversified and highly dependent on the primary sector, which employs 68% of the working population³. The Malian diaspora also contributes to national GDP. Unemployment remains extremely high at around 21.5%⁴. Mali is a member of many regional organisations including the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS), the African Union and the G5 Sahel.

Summary of HI's work in the country

HI has worked in Mali since 1993. It focuses on humanitarian and development activities in the south, centre and north of the country. It advances the rights of people with disabilities, strengthens civil society, and promotes access to education for children with disabilities, the inclusive employment of people with disabilities, and the detection and care-management of disabilities in children.

HI currently implements humanitarian and development activities in the regions of Sikasso, Bamako, Mopti, Timbuktu, Ségou, and Gao.

In 2020, the programme's activities are based on the following main areas:

- Health & Prevention: Functional rehabilitation, mother and child health, disability, and HIV advocacy
- Rehabilitation: Detection and early treatment and care of disability

²² African Development Bank Group, *African Economic Outlook*, 2019.

³ General Population and Housing Census of Mali (RGPH 2009), Analysis of final results. Topic: Economic activities of the population, INSTAT, December 2012.

⁴ World Bank



- Social and Inclusion: Inclusive education, socio-professional inclusion, distributions for the development of livelihood activities
- Protection & Risk Reduction: Risk education on explosive devices, assistance to victims of armed conflict, and conflict transformation in northern and central Mali
- Cross-Project Protection: Including protection - child protection, the management of gender-based violence, and the taking into account of the specific needs of people with disabilities and minorities - in HI's projects in Mali
- Mental Health and Psychosocial Support: Stress reduction/occupational burnout for staff, liaison psychology, and psychosocial support for the most vulnerable people including people with disabilities



Current projects

Sectors where HI implements projects, focusing on beneficiaries and partners

Main sectors	Project goals in the sector	Main activities	Beneficiaries	Partners	Location	Project start and end date and funding bodies
Rehabilitation DPCP	Help improve the living conditions and social inclusion of children with multiple disabilities aged 0-14 by providing global care-management: medical, specialised, community and educational.	-Capacity-building for service providers to identify children with multiple disabilities, and to make diagnoses and referrals + -- Strengthening the skills of families and community focal points to provide appropriate at-home care and treatment -Support to create stimulation spaces, income-generating activities for parents, and supply technical detection	Health and rehabilitation professionals, social development services officers and town hall officers; Children with multiple disabilities; Local Federations of Community Health Organisations; Teachers and supervisors in special schools and social education centres.	Ministry of Health; Ministry of Social Development; Mali National Orthopaedic-fitting Centre (CNAOM); Mali Organisation to Control Mental Impairments in Children (AMALDEME)	Bamako Sikasso	Jan 2018 - Dec 2022 Funding bodies: MAE LUX (AC5)



		equipment to health facilities				
Prevention and health PARENT 2	The project aims to improve the quality of reproductive health services and to make these services accessible to all in order to reduce deaths and prevent the onset of disabilities in children and mothers.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Equipment to rehabilitate health centre buildings -Supplying medical equipment and stocks of medicine -Training health centre staff 	Medical staff; Health centres; Women of childbearing age; Pregnant women; Children under 5 years of age; Men, teenagers; Key community actors.	Regional Health Department; Planning and Statistics Unit (CPS) of the Ministry of Health; Regional Department of Social Development and the Solidarity Economy; Regional Department for the Promotion of Women, Children and the Family; Local authorities; Regional Federation of Community Health Organisations; Coordination of Women's Organisations in Timbuktu	Timbuktu	March 2018 - Feb 2021 Funding body: AFD
Inclusion ACTIF	Improve the economic resilience of young people	-Training, vocational inclusion and identification of promising sectors	3,000 young people aged 14-40 (40% girls and 15% people with disabilities);	Mopti Regional Council; National Department of Vocational	Mopti	Jan 2018 - Dec 2021 Funding



	to reduce feelings of exclusion and increase involvement in the socio-economic development of the Mopti region.	-Education through capacity-building for primary school teachers, improved literacy rates -Support to teacher training colleges (IFMs) and local authorities	Craftsmen/women and small business owners; employment and inclusion service providers; Targeted village communities; families of young beneficiaries.	Training (DNFP); IMF (Microfinance Institution); Master Craftsmen; Agency for the Promotion of Youth Employment (APEJ), Regional Department of Employment and Vocational Training (DREFP); Regional Youth Council.		body: AFD
Food security and resilience ARC	Improve the resilience of vulnerable households and communities to the risks of food and nutrition insecurity and reduce their vulnerability to the effects of climate change.	-Support consumption and cash transfer activities via coupons -Distribution of inputs or tools to build household production capacities and child-screening -Community projects to support initiatives with a significant potential impact on the local economy -Support the development of legal documentation and land law.	13,351 households benefiting from cash transfers; 4,793 children under 5 screened; 12,050 households benefited from support measures; 18 community projects implemented 1 disaster risk assessment implemented; 3 district DRR committees set up; 3 district DRR plans produced; 3 community	Local and institutional authorities; population of districts where we work.	Timbuktu, Gao, Menaka, Mopti	Funding: - FFP3 (USA ID): May 2019-Dec 2020 - EUTF: Dec 2016-June 2020



			DRR projects implemented; 6,674 people provided with civil documentation assistance			
Food security and resilience ACOR	Improve the resilience of vulnerable households and communities to the risks of food and nutrition insecurity and reduce their vulnerability to climate change.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Support consumption and cash transfer activities via coupons -Strengthening malnutrition-prevention community groups -Implementation of ANJE counselling by ANJE community specialists -Community projects to support initiatives with a significant potential impact on the local economy -Reinvigorating spaces for dialogue between local leaders and citizens. Organisation of tripartite consultation frameworks on their respective roles and responsibilities in 	<p>Cash transfers and livelihoods: 2,585 households</p> <p>Number of young people aged 15-30: 4,712 people</p> <p>Number of people with disabilities: 388</p> <p>Members of Savings and Loans Village Organisations (AVECs): 4,360 people</p> <p>Other beneficiaries of community projects: 11,100 people</p> <p>Children under 5: 16,216 children</p> <p>Pregnant and lactating women: 3,806</p>	Local and institutional authorities; population of districts where we work.	Mopti region Ségou region Timbuktu region Wilaya of Hodh El Charghi (Mauritani a)	January 2020 - December 2023 Funding body: EU (Emergency Trust Fund)



		the management of natural resources	Nutrition activities support groups (GSAN): 1,420 people			
			Target inhabitants: 4,000 people			
Prevention and health HIV and disability	Encourage national decision-makers to adopt inclusive HIV/AIDS health laws, policies, and programmes for people with disabilities in accordance with the CRPD in Mali by late 2019.	-Collect reliable and objective data on people with disabilities -Capacity-building of key actors to seize environmental opportunities and bring about change -Promote the rights of people with disabilities through national and regional advocacy actions	People with disabilities; Organisations of people living with HIV/AIDS; Organisations of people with disabilities.	The West African Federation of Disabled People's Organisations (FOAPH); FEMAPH; The Malian Network of Organisations of HIV-Positive People; the National AIDS Control Council, UNAIDS	Mali, Senegal, Guinea Bissau, Cape Verde, Burkina Faso, Niger	June 2019-May 2022 Funding body: Expertise France/Initiative 5%
Education PAQAMA	Improve the quality, access, and governance of education, and build the capacities of	-Set up, expand, and rehabilitate schools -Train teachers and build their teaching skills -Train and coach school management	9,300 children, including children with disabilities; 200 primary school teachers; 1,642 students from Gao's public secondary	Ministry of National Education; Academy of Teaching and CAPs in the Gao region; DPOs;	Gao Ménaka	Feb 2016 - Dec 2020 Funding body: Ministry of



	decentralised services and local authorities in charge of education.	committees	school; 498 students from the Handicraft Vocational Training Centre; Staff at Gao academy, members of the School Management Committee, Parent-Teacher Associations, and organisations of mother educators in CAPs (education activity centres) and national departments of the Ministry of Education for Bamako.	school management committee, parent-teacher association, mother student association.		National Education (Mali)
Inclusive education PAOSSE	Improve access to quality education for children with disabilities, especially children with hearing and visual impairments.	-Identify and include children with disabilities -Train teachers in sign language -School support for children with impairments and distribution of school kits -Mobile teachers and advocacy	50 children with hearing and visual impairments and their families (40% girls); 40 teachers and 20 school heads (40% women); DPOs and PWDs; 10 organisations for parents of children with disabilities.	Education technical services at local and national level; DPOs.	Sikasso	April 2017 - Nov 2020 Funding body: USAID
Inclusive education in the Sahel	Promote inclusive and quality	-Training and capacity-building for teachers, school	End beneficiaries 714 marginalised girls and boys with	The Ministry of National Education;	Bamako, Sikasso and	Sep 2017 - Dec 2021



<p>NORAD</p>	<p>education for marginalised girls and boys in West Africa.</p>	<p>heads, and educational advisors in inclusive education -Capacity-building for school committee members, parent-teacher associations, community workers and DPOs on the issues of inclusion and disability in education -Identification, medical diagnosis, care, school enrolment and follow-up of children with disabilities -Community awareness-raising on disability and inclusive education -Rehabilitation to improve building accessibility -Family support and community awareness activities -Support and continuous follow-up of teachers.</p>	<p>disabilities (including 200 refugees, 40% girls); 548 education actors; 315 members of school committees, parent-teacher associations, community workers and DPOs; 40 staff members from the Ministry of National Education 45 mainstream schools; 7 specialised schools in project target areas; Students with learning difficulties in 45 mainstream schools and 7 special schools. Indirect: Parents of children with disabilities and internally displaced children; Members of civil society organisations; Decentralised education technical service officers; Elected district</p>	<p>The Malian Federation of Disabled People's Organisations (FEMAPH); Coalition of Civil Society Organisations for Education and Education for All (COSC- EPT); 4 Teaching academies; 8 Education facilitation centres; 4 Social development services; 4 Town halls.</p>	<p>Timbuktu, Burkina Faso and Niger</p>	<p>Funding body: NORAD</p>
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		-Advocacy campaign on disability and inclusive education	officials and officers, and local authorities in the four districts covered by the project.			
Inclusive education PACETEM	Enhance access to quality primary education for 3,123 children with disabilities	-IE training for central services -Training of NGO managers responsible for monitoring the project -Training for teaching academies, CAPs, and local NGOs -Retraining of teaching academies and CAPs -Training support for project managers during teacher training to ensure quality - Supervisory mission	Children with disabilities; Educational actors (teachers, administrators, and NGO staff).	NGOs from the International NGO Forum in Mali (FONGIM/Aide et Action International; Helvetas; HI. Education Development Center (EDC)) in conjunction with Ministry of National Education (MEN).	Mali	Jan 2019 - Nov 2021 Funding body: EAC via EDC
Protection, Risk education CARE 2	Improve the living conditions of explosive-hazard survivors and conflict-affected	- Capacity-building for a national NGO on risk education and victim assistance -Training on risk education for ERW, SALW and IED (ER) and Victim Assistance	Survivors of weapons and improvised explosive devices.	ADJM	Timbuktu, Ségou, Mopti	August 2019 - March 2020



	communities by providing an appropriate response to their needs.	Training (VA): -Assessing the needs of victims and supporting the creation of microenterprises -Follow-up of referrals				
Conflict resolution (+inclusion) Break Water	Improve the personal safety of vulnerable communities in buffer zones in the regions of Ségou, Koulikoro and Mopti.	-Promoting the fair and inclusive management of land and natural resources at local and district level -Strengthening the commitment of local authorities to provide better services to men, women, boys and girls in target communities	150 communities: 62,740 direct beneficiaries, including dependents of whom 30% (18,800) will take part directly in the programme.	Mercy Corps (lead consortium) International Alert (Sub)	Ségou (for HI)	June 2020 - October 2023 Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (Sida)
Food security and livelihoods Interconsortia	Help strengthen the resilience and social cohesion of communities in the most fragile	-Joining existing clusters/sector groups -Developing and implementing an advocacy strategy -Supporting consortia to monitor and evaluate projects and develop a	Member organisations of the four consortia led by Action Contre la Faim, Humanité et Inclusion, Save the Children, and the International Rescue Committee, including leaders, co-applicants	ACF Save the Children IRC	Mali, Mauritania	July 2020 - June 2024 (to be confirmed)



	regions of Mali and Mauritania.	communication plan. -Lesson-learning support to members	and third parties; inter-consortia units and member organisations in Burkina Faso and Niger.			
Emergency education: Inclusive Safe Schools (I2S)	Ensure inclusive quality education in a safe learning environment for girls and boys in the Timbuktu and Gao regions.	-Main training and construction activities (latrines, hand-washing station, rehabilitation of classrooms and safe room) -Development of the safe school approach and psychosocial support for teachers	49,040 children and young people, including 250 girls and 250 boys, displaced or returnees.	NA	Timbuktu Gao	September 2020 - December 2020 Funding body: Education Cannot Wait (ECW)
Emergency education: Inclusive Safe Schools - Phase 2 (I2S-2)	Guarantee an education and good health and hygiene conditions for girls and boys affected by the security crisis and Covid-19 in the regions of Ménaka,	-Remote learning via radio -Education for Peace and Social Cohesion Programme -Psychosocial support for teachers and students -Safe schools approach	40,000 children (24,000G/16,000B) including 850 children with disabilities (510G/340B), 900 displaced children (540G/360B), 100 child returnees (60G/40B) and 300 child refugees (180G/120B).	FEMAPH	Timbuktu Gao Ménaka	3 September 2020 - 2 September 2021



	Timbuktu and Gao.					
Conflict resolution SICCOM	Reduce the recurrence of violence through increased dialogue and social cohesion in conflict-affected communities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Strengthening local conflict resolution structures to make them more representative of the whole community by including excluded groups. -Strengthening the skills of these local structures to make them more effective in understanding and responding to conflicts -Strengthening the social responsibility process 	<p>36 local conflict management structures. 60 local actors trained to facilitate dialogue and the social responsibility process. Government and other local and international actors working with communities Local population living in areas affected by violence, estimated at 7,200 people</p>	GREFFA	Gao, Timbuktu	<p>July 2019, October 2020 Funding body: MAE Belgium (+ Zivik)</p>



Funding bodies

<p>French Development Agency (AFD)</p> 	<p>USAID</p> 	<p>EUROPEAN UNION</p> 
<p>NORAD - Norwegian Agency for Development Cooperation</p> 	<p>Luxembourg Ministry of Foreign Affairs</p> 	<p>Global Fund</p> 
<p>Coopération Belge</p> 	<p>Rhône Alpes Region</p> 	<p>Educate a Child</p> 
<p>UNMAS (United Nations Mine Action Service)</p> 	<p>Belgian Development Cooperation</p> 	<p>Education Cannot Wait</p> 



	<p>Centre de crise et de soutien (Crisis and Support Centre)</p>		<p>AIDS</p>	
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