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Country sheet

Morocco

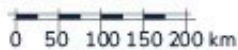
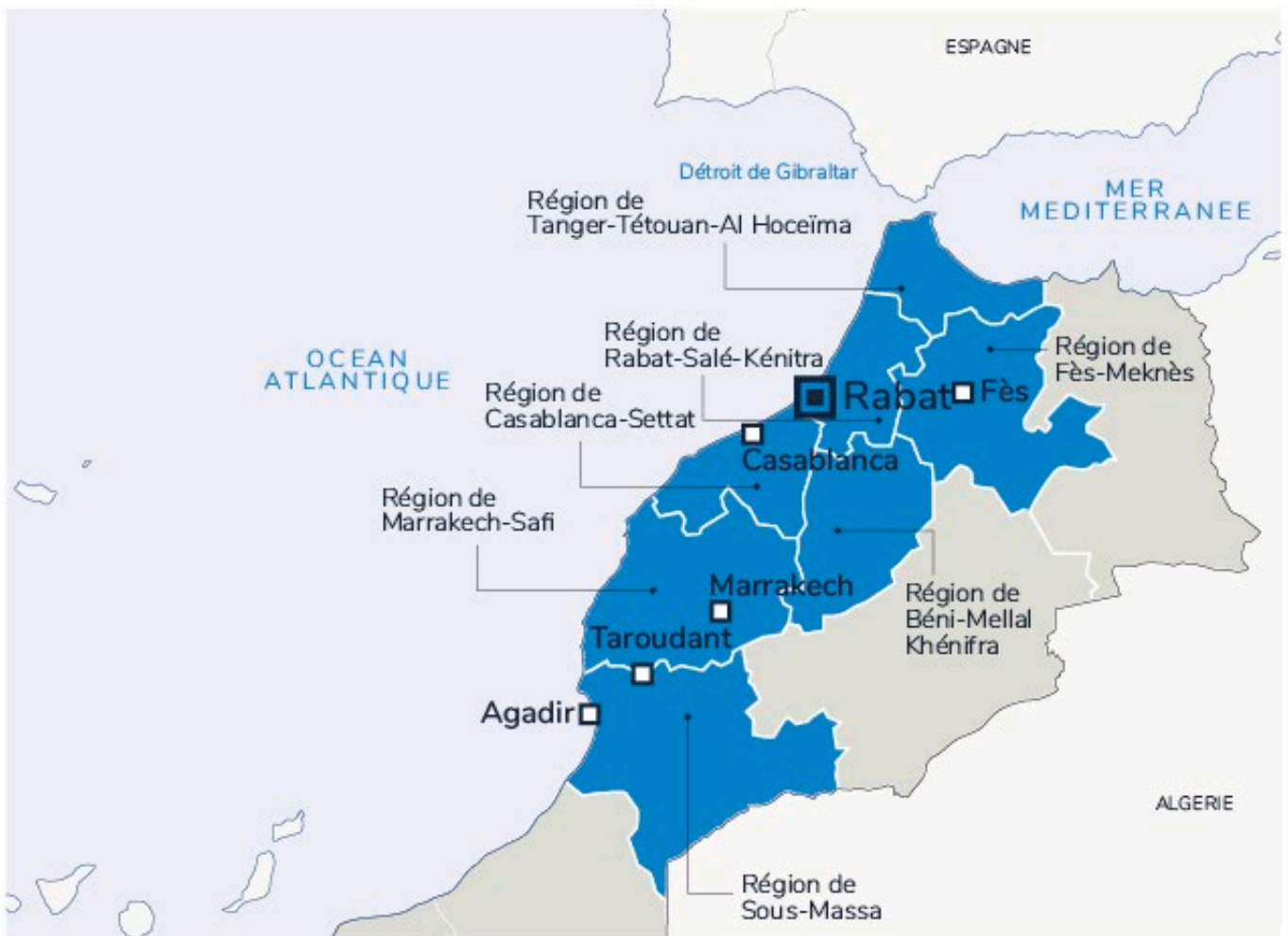




HI's team and areas of intervention

There are 19 people on HI's team in Morocco

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Les frontières et noms des pays représentés sur cette carte, en conformité avec la nomenclature des nations Unies, n'impliquent pas une appréciation de Handicap International sur le statut des territoires.



General Country Data

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Country	Morocco	Tunisia	France
Population ¹	37 457 971	12 356 117	67 935 660
IHDI	0.504	0.588	0.825
Gender development index	0.861	0.931	0.99
Maternal mortality ²	72	37	8
Gini index ³	39.5	32.8	30.7
Population under UNHCR mandate	18 066	8 952	693 598
INFORM index ⁴	3.6	3	2.3
Fragile states index ⁵	68.2	66.4	28.8
Public social protection		50.20	100%
Official Development Assistance received	965.2	1 093.4	

Humanitarian law instruments ratified by the country

Humanitarian law instruments	Status
United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities	Ratification 08/04/2009
Mine Ban Treaty	Not signed
Convention on Cluster Munitions	Not signed

¹ High-Commission for Planning - Morocco

² 6th national population and family health survey - Morocco

³ The Gini index is used to measure the degree of equality or inequality in the distribution of wealth (income, assets, etc.) within a given population.

⁴ <https://drmkc.jrc.ec.europa.eu/inform-index/INFORM-Risk/Country-Profile/moduleId/1767/id/386/controller/Admin/action/CountryProfile>

⁵ 2018 : <https://fr.countryeconomy.com/gouvernement/indice-etats-fragiles>



Geopolitical analysis

Social, cultural and demographic context

Morocco is a unitary parliamentary constitutional monarchy with a regionalised structure. Rabat is the Kingdom's capital. The Moroccan population consists mainly of Berbers, Arabs, Moriscos and Haratins from the South. The official languages are Berber and Darija Arabic, but other languages are widely spoken, such as French, throughout the country and Spanish in the northern regions. The Kingdom has a population of 37,334,787 and, in 2017, the under-25s represented 43% of the population.

Political situation

At the international level, Morocco continues to position itself as a bridge between Europe and Africa, developing its economic, commercial, security and diplomatic relations with the European Union while being particularly active on the African continent with, in particular, its re-entry into the African Union in 2016 and the request for membership of ECOWAS (the community of West African States) in 2017. In 2021, the Kingdom developed closer links with the United States and the State of Israel.

Economic situation

The predominant economic sector is agriculture (15% of GDP), which remains very vulnerable to the vagaries of the climate despite the launch nine years ago of the Green Morocco Plan for the development of sustainable agriculture.

The country has few mineral resources, with the exception of phosphate (72.4% of the world's phosphate reserves).

The region's proximity to Europe has led to the development of an industrial sector based essentially on the automotive, textile and agri-food industries. The tertiary sector depends mainly on tourism-related activities, strongly impacted by COVID-19, trade and telecommunications and customer relations. In terms of economic growth, Morocco has made significant progress in several areas over the last two decades, with three regions producing more than half of the national wealth and featuring among the most important in terms of added value production: Rabat Salé Kenitra region in the primary sector and Casablanca Settat, Rabat Salé Kenitra and Tangier Tetouan Al Hoceima regions in the secondary and tertiary sectors.

The COVID-19 pandemic brought national growth to a halt, resulting in major job losses and putting severe pressure on the labour market in a country with one of the lowest employment rates in the world. The Ukrainian crisis, coupled with cereal production issues caused by drought have led to high inflation driven by rising fuel prices, despite an ongoing policy of subsidising basic necessities.

Summary of HI's work in the country

Present in Morocco since 1993, HI is one of the few INGOs to have signed a Headquarters Agreement with the Moroccan Ministry of Cooperation and Foreign



Affairs (1999). Our organisation's historical roots are reflected in a strong network of partnerships with Organisations of People with Disabilities (OPD), supported for over 20 years in developing their capacity for self-representation and action. Since 2011, in a context of reforms, HI Morocco has been working closely with the authorities to foster the development and implementation of inclusive public policies. The programme has also progressively extended its collaboration with civil society organisations to promote inclusion and help meet the needs of other vulnerable groups, such as women who are victims of discrimination and migrant people.



Overview of current projects

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

Main sectors of intervention	Main activities:	Beneficiaries	Partners	Location	Project start and end date	Donors funding the project
Rehabilitation services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Training of qualified occupational therapists to provide teaching support - Continued support for university education - Promotion of the profession of occupational therapy in the different educational, employment sectors, etc. - Support for services and young professionals - Technical, financial and organisational support to the Ministry of Health and the Institut Supérieur des Professions Infirmières et Techniques de Santé (ISPITS) 	100 service users: 75 students 1 training institute 12 medical or social services Ministry of Health	Moroccan Ministry of Health	Rabat	2021- June 2023	Monaco Department of International Cooperation (DCI)
Vocational inclusion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Strengthening the capacity of Civil Society Organisations to participate in consultation forums on employment and 	In Morocco: 10 Civil Society Organisations and Organisations of	Local Information and Guidance Centre (CLIO) and Heure Joyeuse	Morocco Rabat-Salé and Kenitra regions), Tunisia, Senegal, Benin	July 2021 - May 2024	Agence Française de Développement



	<p>improve their advocacy for access to employment for people with disabilities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Strengthening the capacity of an Organisation of People with Disabilities to mobilise young people with disabilities in order to develop job sourcing – awareness-raising and introduction of community relays- Supporting private sector companies in developing diversity in recruitment and supporting the recruitment of young people with disabilities- Co-development of employability enhancement activities in liaison with Civil Society Organisations (CSOs), public employment actors and companies, and implementation of complementary financial support schemes- Definition of a strategy for the sustainability of support measures for young people with disabilities to help them find employment	<p>people with disabilities</p> <p>200 young people supported, 100 of whom have found employment</p> <p>8 companies mobilised</p>				<p>Community-based rehabilitation</p>
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<p>Emploi inclusif inclusion employment</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Defining an inclusive service offer for ANAPEC (National Agency for the Promotion of Employment and Skills) and pilot in 2 regions - Mobilising companies and supporting them in adopting an inclusive approach to the recruitment and induction of employees with disabilities 	<p>ANAPEC agencies and regional divisions</p> <p>Companies</p>	<p>Subcontracted by Expertise France as part of a programme to employ vulnerable young people implemented in collaboration with Pôle Emploi and Initiative France.</p>	<p>Agadir, 2 areas undergoing change: Béni Mella, Fes-Méknès</p>	<p>Dec 2020 - August 2023</p> <p>European Union via Agence Française de Développement (AFD)</p> <p>1 year extension under discussion</p>	<p>European Union via Agence Française de Développement (AFD)</p>
<p>Protection Basic Needs Migration</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Capacity building of health actors and implementation of a psycho-social support response - Strengthening Civil Society Organisations' capacity to take into account migrant populations (social/legal + emergency aid) and implementing referral mechanisms - Strengthening the capacity of migrant associations to contribute to awareness raising and advocacy - Establishing consultations at regional and national level between civil society and public actors on the subject of migration 	<p>Vulnerable migrants</p> <p>Civil society organisations – local CSOs</p> <p>Platform of migrant associations</p> <p>Local public actors</p>	<p>Migrations & Développement, Oxfam</p>	<p>Casablanca, Agadir</p>	<p>Dec 2020 - Nov. 2023</p>	<p>European Union</p>



Inclusive governance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Organisational and structural strengthening - Capacity building in the fields of advocacy and public policy analysis - Innovative approach to financing the sector and to the generational renewal of non-profits - Cascade funding for structural reinforcement, advocacy and generational renewal of the non-profit sector 	CSOs in 4 areas: Disability, child protection, access to justice and women's rights	ASF Amane	National	March 2023 - February 2027	European Union
Emergency response to the earthquake in Morocco - MHPSS and Rehabilitation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Strengthening the technical capacity of physical and functional rehabilitation professionals and of community relays to case-manage people with complex injuries - Providing rehabilitation services in the most inaccessible areas using caravans - Building the capacity of psychosocial workers, local psychologists and community relays in emergency mental health response and psychosocial support. - Running group psychosocial support services 	Community relays Health professionals (mental health and rehabilitation)	Migration & Development Community-based rehabilitation network	Marrakech-Safi region and Sous Massa region	Oct. 2023 - May 2024	Crisis and Support Centre (CDCS)



Donors

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