

IMPACT OF THE EARTHQUAKE

The earthquake caused 16,000 deaths, 90% of them were by drowning

The earthquake caused 250,000 deaths

The cost of the earthquake damage was \$ 12 billion

The cost of the earthquake was \$ 235 billion due to the advanced nature of the economy

3.5 million people were affected by the earthquake

The earthquake displaced 130,000 people, and injured 6000

The coastal zone was flooded by the tsunami as it breached the defences and spread 10 km inland

The Fukushima nuclear power station was flooded which caused a meltdown. This, an damage to other power stations caused blackouts

80% of the schools in Port au Prince were destroyed

86% of the slums in Port au Prince which were poorly built and had no earthquake resistance were destroyed

The impact was worsened by the fact that the country also suffered from other problems and disasters including deforestation, desertification and flooding

The transport infrastructure was badly affected with damage to 2000 roads and 56 bridges

As far away as Tokyo shaking and liquefaction caused damage

