The armed forces of the Republic of Haiti are known as the "Haiti Constabulary". There is also a coastguard service, consisting of 4 officers and 38 sailors; and a force of Rural Police numbering 551 men.

The constabulary is under the President of the Republic, whose orders are transmitted to the Commander through the Secretary of State of the Interior.

The constabulary has a headquarters staff and is divided into 5 military departments.

A department includes one or more districts, each of which is usually under the command of a captain and is subdivided into one or more subdistricts.

A subdistrict, which is usually under the command of a lieutenant, includes the communes, quarters and islands attached to it, together with stations of minor importance.

The following is the establishment of the constabulary for 1929–30:

- 155 officers,
- 23 staff officers (Staff of the President),
- 135 non-commissioned officers (excluding corporals),
- 2,402 corporals and other ranks (including 40 bandsmen).

Total 2,715

A supplementary force for the constabulary up to a maximum of 467 may be enlisted for one year, and this engagement may be renewed for a further six months.
The following is the establishment of the constabulary as prescribed by the Law of August 16th, 1929.

- Generals: 2
- Colonels: 5
- Majors: 9
- Captains: 23
- First Lieutenants: 58
- Second Lieutenants: 57
- Cadet Officers: 14
- Sergeants: 143
- Corporals and other ranks: 2,459\(^1\) (including 40 buglers)

**Total:** 2,770\(^1\)

The Military Household of the President of the Republic includes 7 officers.

A Military School was created on November 1st, 1928. The course lasts one year, after which the cadets are graded as cadet-officers.

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**Budget Expenditure on National Defence.**

The gross expenditure on the constabulary, the coastguards and the general staff of the President is included in the budget of the Department of the Interior. During the past two fiscal years (October 1st to September 30th) the expenditure has been as follows:

- 1926-27: 6,496,000 gourdes
- 1927-28: 6,427,467 gourdes
- 1928-29: 6,368,579 gourdes

The estimated expenditure for 1929-30 amounted to 5,789,600 gourdes. These figures do not include pensions, which are charged to the Department of Finance jointly with civil pensions.

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\(^1\) Not including 20 officers and 21 other ranks of the Medical Service