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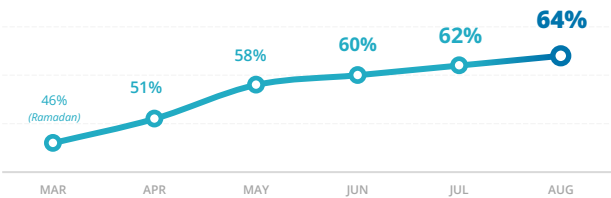
WFP RESOURCES

SIX-MONTH NET FUNDING REQUIREMENT
October 2024 – March 2025

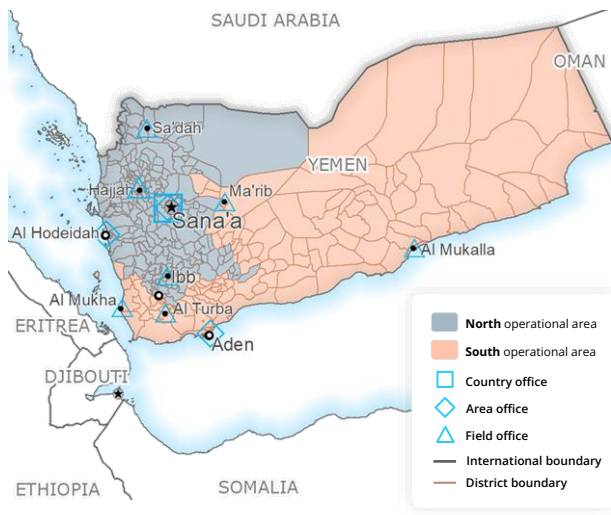
US\$ 448 m

FOOD INSECURITY

Nationwide rate of inadequate food consumption (FCS < 35)



WFP OPERATIONAL PRESENCE



WFP OPERATION:	Yemen Interim country strategic plan 2023-2025
WFP YEMEN STAFF:	842
WFP YEMEN OFFICES:	10
WFP YEMEN COOPERATING PARTNERS:	24

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WFP emergency response phase:
CORPORATE ATTENTION

¹ United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA), Yemen Humanitarian Needs Overview 2024 (estimates).

² Figure subject to change based on budgetary adjustments.

Photo: © WFP/Hossam Al Qalaid. Jawhara, eats supplementary food at a WFP-supported health centre in Al Mukha, Ta'izz governorate, August 2024.

In Numbers

2.4 million people assisted by WFP

17.6 million people food insecure (IPC Phases 3-4)

6 million people in Emergency (IPC Phase 4)¹

7.7 million people in need of nutrition support¹

Highlights

- The food security situation in Yemen continues to deteriorate, with 64 percent of the population nationwide facing inadequate food consumption – once again the highest ever recorded by WFP in Yemen.
- WFP in September completed distributions under its Rapid Emergency Response (RER), with 1.4 million people assisted in 34 districts in areas under the Sana'a-based authorities.
- In areas under the internationally recognized Government of Yemen, WFP in September started the third food assistance cycle of 2024, targeting 3.6 million people.
- To cover unaddressed needs in areas affected by recent floods, WFP provided food assistance to 157,000 flood-affected people nationwide in September.

SITUATION UPDATE

Food security situation:

- As the [food security situation](#) continues to deteriorate, severe levels of food deprivation (*poor* food consumption) have now nearly doubled over the past year in areas under the Sana'a-based authorities (SBA, *north operational area*).
- In areas under the internationally recognized Government (IRG, *south operational area*), the cost of the minimum food basket has reached a historic peak and has now increased by 23 percent year-on-year.

UN/WFP Staff Safety and Security:

- 13 UN staff members (including one WFP national staff member), [detained](#) by SBA security forces in early June, remain in custody.



WFP ACTIVITIES

WFP assisted an estimated 2.4 million people across its activities in Yemen in September:¹

EMERGENCY FOOD ASSISTANCE:

- WFP provided emergency food assistance to approximately 1.7 million people across Yemen in September 2024:

WFP EMERGENCY FOOD ASSISTANCE SEPTEMBER 2024			
	Food	Cash	Total
North Operational area	1,289,736	0	1,289,736
South Operational area	397,271	0	397,271
Total	1,687,007	0	1,687,007

- In IRG areas, WFP started the third food assistance cycle of 2024; continued its [West Coast emergency response](#); and provided emergency food assistance in flood-affected areas.
- In SBA areas, WFP completed the [Rapid Emergency Response \(RER\)](#) in September, with a total of 1.4 million people assisted in 34 districts since distributions started in August (1.1 million of these in September).
- WFP started the first round of assistance in 39 flood-affected districts in SBA areas and assisted 155,300 people in September. The response was designed to supplement the Rapid Response Mechanism (RRM)² and cover unaddressed needs.

Targeting and registration:

- With limited resources and to strengthen assurance measures in Yemen, WFP is conducting a beneficiary re-targeting and registration exercise.
- In SBA areas, WFP, in coordination with local authorities, continued in September preparations for a one-off food distribution round in the two pilot districts as the last stage of the pilot. A wider roll-out is being discussed with the authorities based on lessons learned and is expected to start in October.
- In IRG areas, data collection for 3.6 million existing beneficiaries has been completed, and the first stage of the prioritization phase, which will determine a revised food assistance caseload, started in September.

United Nations Rapid Response Mechanism (RRM):

- The inter-agency RRM [assisted](#) 181,800 people nationwide in September. Of these, 99 percent were

households affected by the recent severe floods, and one percent were conflict-induced displacement households.

EMERGENCY FOOD ASSISTANCE – IMPACT OF FUNDING SHORTFALLS:

In SBA areas, WFP continues to face funding shortfalls, and urgently needs additional donor support to be able to scale food assistance to levels sufficient to adequately address the deteriorating food security situation.

In IRG areas, funding shortfalls has resulted in imminent food pipeline breaks, which may interrupt food assistance over the coming months.

NUTRITION ASSISTANCE:

- WFP assisted 762,500 pregnant and breastfeeding women and girls (PBWG) and children in September under its regular nutrition programmes³:

Treatment of moderate acute malnutrition:

- WFP assisted 671,300 PBWG and children under its Treatment of Moderate Acute Malnutrition (MAM) programme in September (100 percent of the target).

Prevention of acute malnutrition:

- WFP assisted 91,200 PBWG and children under its Prevention of Acute Malnutrition programme in September (of the 103,200 people targeted under a [Yemen Humanitarian Fund \(YHF\)](#) allocation).

NUTRITION ASSISTANCE - IMPACT OF FUNDING SHORTFALLS:

Due to continued funding shortfalls, 2.3 million PBWG and children were still affected by the partial suspension of [malnutrition prevention](#) in September.

SCHOOL FEEDING:

- WFP assisted 760,400 schoolchildren in September under its School Feeding programme taking place in 1,706 schools across 15 governorates, with 1,630 mt of food distributed.
- In September, WFP resumed its Healthy Kitchens project in IRG areas, providing freshly prepared meals to 22,300 schoolchildren in 16 schools. The project is expected to start in SBA areas in October.

SCHOOL FEEDING - IMPACT OF FUNDING SHORTFALLS:

WFP's school feeding programme is facing severe funding shortages for the 2024-2025 school year. As a result, WFP is only planning to assist 990,000 students countrywide each month this school year; less than half of the 2 million children [reached](#) last year.

RESILIENCE AND LIVELIHOODS:

- WFP supported 81,600 people under its Resilience and Livelihoods activity in September, transferring US\$ 1 million in cash-based transfers (CBT) to project participants.
- Participants worked on 177 assets, including rural road rehabilitation, and water harvesting and agricultural projects in four governorates.

¹ Individual activity assistance figures cannot be summed due to overlap between activities. Monthly distribution figures are estimates and subject to change pending final beneficiary reconciliation.

² The RRM is led by UNFPA with UNICEF and WFP as supply partners. The RRM response entails WFP-provided Immediate Response Food Rations (IRRs); UNICEF-provided basic hygiene kits; and UNFPA-provided transit kits containing women's hygiene items.

³ Nutrition figures based on dispatches.

RESEARCH, ASSESSMENT AND MONITORING:

- WFP and contracted third-party monitoring partners conducted 1,100 monitoring activities in September, covering all activities, including on-site monitoring visits.
- WFP's call centres conducted 2,200 outgoing calls to verify the receipt of assistance, food delivery to distribution sites, and to collect food security data.
- WFP received 33,100 incoming calls to its Community Feedback Mechanism (CFM), which provides a channel for beneficiaries to interface directly with WFP.



CLUSTERS AND COMMON SERVICES

UN HUMANITARIAN AIR SERVICE (UNHAS):

- In September, the WFP-managed UNHAS operated 68 flights, carrying 1,402 passengers from 20 UN agencies and 49 international non-governmental organizations.

LOGISTICS CLUSTER:

- The WFP-led Logistics Cluster supported 74 partners in September through coordination, information management, and capacity building programmes.

EMERGENCY TELECOMMUNICATIONS CLUSTER (ETC):

- The WFP-led ETC supported 49 partner organizations in September, providing critical data connectivity to 1,400 humanitarians as well as security communications services to 2,600 responders across 19 sites.

ON-DEMAND SERVICES:

- WFP delivered 292,000 litres of fuel to WHO and UNICEF-supported hospitals and local water and sanitation (WASH) facilities in September.
- 36,000 litres of fuel were provided to UN agencies and international non-governmental organizations through the Small-Quantity Fuel Provision-mechanism.
- 136 m³ of non-food items are in the WFP sea shipment pipeline for one partner.



FUNDING SITUATION

- WFP is 43 percent funded for the October 2024 – March 2025 six-month period, with a net funding requirement of US\$ 448 million (note that these figures are based on the projected requirements of an ongoing budget revision to the WFP interim country strategic plan).

WFP Yemen

INTERIM COUNTRY STRATEGIC PLAN (2023-2025)

OUTCOME	ACTIVITY	6-MONTH NET FUNDING REQUIREMENT (October 2024 - March 2025)	PEOPLE ASSISTED (September 2024)	FEMALE	MALE
		448 m	2,355,061¹		
OUTCOME 1	ACTIVITY 1: Emergency food assistance	270 m	1,687,007	828,658	858,349
	ACTIVITY 2: Treatment of moderate acute malnutrition	32 m	671,261	526,080	145,181
OUTCOME 2	ACTIVITY 3: Prevention of acute malnutrition	51 m	91,235	65,267	25,968
	ACTIVITY 4: School feeding	49.3 m	760,425	371,734	388,691
OUTCOME 3	ACTIVITY 5: Resilience and livelihoods	33.8 m	81,550	40,057	41,493
	ACTIVITY 6: United Nations Humanitarian Air Service	11 m			
OUTCOME 4	ACTIVITY 7: Logistics Cluster	-			
	ACTIVITY 8: Emergency Telecommunications Cluster	948,200			
	ACTIVITY 9: Bilateral Service Provision	-			

