

# WFP Nigeria Situation Report #72

World Food Programme



#### 1,161,616 people assisted July 2022



As of 08 August 2022

Global Humanitarian Funding	Overall USD 1.1 billion (2022, HRP)
	WFP USD 469.5 million (2022, CSP BR3)
WFP Net Funding Requirements (August 2022 – January 2023)	131.1 million
Strategic Outcome 1 Emergency food and nutrition assistance	119.6 million
<b>Strategic Outcome 2</b> Livelihoods	3.6 million
Strategic Outcome 3 Multisectoral nutrition programme	12.9 million
Strategic Outcome 4 Capacity strengthening	0.0 million
Strategic Outcome 5 Advocacy & policy	0.0 million
Strategic Outcome 6 Common services	5.0 million

#### People assisted in July 2022\*

Strategic outcome - Activity 1 Unconditional resource transfers	1,116,367
In-kind food assistance	649,768
Mobile money	0
E-voucher	466,599
Strategic outcome 1 - Activity 2 Nutrition	195,991
Strategic outcome 2 - Activity 3 Livelihoods	13,176
Strategic outcome 3 - Activity 4 Multisectoral nutrition programme	1,413

\*Achievements under strategic outcome 1 include 13,716 new arrivals.

**Photo:** WFP and partner Cooperazione Internazionale (COOPI) distribute food assistance to people affected by flooding in Yobe State. Photo credit: WFP/Emmanuel Bimba

## In Numbers

**8.4 million** people in need (Humanitarian Response Plan 2022)

**6 states** affected (Borno, Adamawa and Yobe in the northeast, and Katsina, Sokoto and Zamfara in the northwest)

**3.17 million** people internally displaced (UNHCR, March 2022)

**19.5 million** food-insecure people require humanitarian assistance, including **4.1 million** in the northeast (*IPC Phase 3-4 - Cadre Harmonisé*, *March 2022*)

#### Assessments and alerts

WFP's mVAM-powered July 2022 Lean Season Food Security Outlook indicates 40 percent of households in northeast Nigeria have inadequate food consumption. Internally displaced persons (IDPs), especially people living in camps or informal settlements and returnees, have higher levels of deprivation and vulnerability. Main drivers of food insecurity remain higher food prices and protracted conflict.

Insecurity continues to hamper humanitarian access to communities in need. The NGO-led ACAPS <u>Humanitarian</u> <u>Access Overview</u> global access ranking published in July 2022 includes Nigeria among countries with very high access constraints. The ACAPS report highlighted exposure to attacks, killings, robbery, kidnapping, exploitation, extortion and forced recruitment by armed groups, especially in the northeast. Insecurity on main supply routes limits that ability of WFP and cooperating partners to deliver timely food assistance to affected communities.

FAO and WFP's <u>Hunger Hotspots</u> outlook for June to September 2022 warns that acute food insecurity was likely to worsen across northern Nigeria due to persistent insecurity that disrupts farming households and creates new displacement. The report calls for urgent humanitarian action to save lives and livelihoods and avert a further deterioration of food insecurity and malnutrition.

## Call 1333 hotline is back and better

WFP has reactivated the 1333 hotline service to support the community feedback mechanism. The hotline has been upgraded to enable free-of-charge access to recipients of WFP food assistance through all Nigeria-based mobile network providers. The improved call management system offers enhanced services, including an interactive voice response (IVR) system to provide information during non-working hours. The hotline helps to identify current risks and emerging opportunities for improvement of WFP assistance, offering an important channel to voice the daily concerns of recipients of WFP food assistance.

#### WFP Response

In July, WFP provided food assistance to 1,161,616 people (92 percent of plan) across Borno, Adamawa, and Yobe of northeast Nigeria and Katsina and Zamfara of northwest Nigeria. WFP continues to increase food assistance to meet increased needs during the current lean season. By September 2022, WFP plans to reach 1.7 million people in need of life-saving support. In Borno, WFP delivery of in-kind food during the month of July reached 13,716 people newly displaced from hard-to-reach areas by conflict.

Unconditional resources transfers in July included 11,496 mt of in-kind food and USD 6.53 million delivered through cashbased transfers. Across all activities, WFP distributed 12,385 mt of food assistance, including support for malnutrition prevention and treatment among food-insecure communities. Nutrition activities reached 124,786 children aged 6-59 months and 71,205 pregnant and lactating women, 19 percent more than received WFP assistance in June.

The provision of cash-based assistance through mobile money or electronic vouchers is preferred wherever market conditions permit as these transfer modalities support recovery of the local economy. In July, electronic vouchers distributed by WFP and partners supported the food assistance needs of 466,599 vulnerable people, enabling the flexible selection of preferred foods through WFP-contracted retailers.

WFP activities to strengthen individual and community resilience and enhance livelihoods supported 13,176 people in Borno and Yobe State using conditional cash-based transfers. Participants engaged in increased incomegeneration through crop and livestock production and asset creation activities supporting management of natural resources rehabilitation of infrastructure.

The number of vulnerable people requiring food assistance continues to greatly exceed resources mobilized by the Government of Nigeria and the humanitarian community. Road damage associated with seasonal rains delayed dispatch of some food commodities in July. The rains also restricted the frequency of UNHAS flights to conflict-affected communities in need.

### **Coordination and Partnerships**

WFP works with 26 partners in Nigeria, including 16 cooperating partners (5 national and 11 international NGOs); 2 third-party monitors (eHealth System Africa and KABHUDA); 3 UN organizations (IOM, UNICEF, and UNFPA); and 5 government agencies.

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## 曫 Food Security

The Food Security Sector (FSS) has called on partners to cover urgent lean season needs in northeast Nigeria. The March 2022 CH analysis found 4.1 million vulnerable people requiring food assistance in the northeast states of Borno, Adamawa, and Yobe. WFP-managed food assistance is expected to reach 1.7 million people at the peak of the lean season, 41 percent of the total requirement. Additional food assistance from the Government of Nigeria is planned to reach 165,000 people and NGOs expect to reach another 667,646. FSS calls for urgent life-saving support for 38 percent of vulnerable people in need for which no food assistance has been planned.

# Logistics

Logistics Sector-managed storage facilities operated by NGO service providers in six locations across Borno State handled 502 mt of humanitarian cargo for 17 organizations. The Sector consolidated and moved 8.4 mt of humanitarian cargo via UNHAS helicopter to 11 field locations and trained 37 people from 16 organisations on store and stock management in emergencies. Overall, the Sector supported logistics-associated storage, cargo movement, coordination, and information management needs for 49 organizations.

## Emergency Telecommunications

Since January 2022, ETS has provided reliable Internet connectivity service to 2,752 users from 96 organizations, including 17 United Nations agencies and 79 nongovernmental organisations across northeast Nigeria. ETS connectivity and security communication services reopened in June at the IOM-hosted Dikwa humanitarian hub following closure in March 2021 due to a security incident. To enhance security and communication, ETS provided VHF radio training to 69 humanitarian workers and satellite phone training to 32.

# 🛧 UNHAS

The United Nations Humanitarian Air Service (UNHAS) transported 4,656 passengers in July 2022, 7 percent less than in June, primarily due to flight cancelations for bad weather. UNHAS also transported 12.32 mt of light humanitarian cargo. There are currently 157 organisations benefitting from UNHAS passenger and cargo services.

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