

WFP PALESTINE EMERGENCY RESPONSE

External Situation Report 75

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Reporting period: 1-7 Dec 2025

HIGHLIGHTS

- More than two months into the ceasefire, food access has significantly improved, allowing a substantial scale-up of food assistance, commercial flows, and operational reach across Gaza. WFP operations and its distribution networks are fully restored across the Strip. For the first time since the escalation, WFP's entire humanitarian portfolio is back in motion—representing a substantial recovery of ground lost earlier in the conflict post the January/February 2025 ceasefire.
- In Gaza, WFP reached 1.1 million people in October and 1.8 million in November, delivering a mix of food parcels, wheat flour, bread, hot meals, nutritional supplements and digital payments—marking two consecutive months of million-plus coverage. However, despite improved food access, inflows of food, medical supplies and shelter items remain well below what is needed to stabilize the humanitarian situation, with consistency and scale still lacking.
- Despite full operational readiness, persistent access restrictions, inconsistent procedures, and sudden changes across all corridors continue to put at risk all the progress made this period. Sustained ceasefire adherence and predictable, unhindered humanitarian access are essential to keep food moving into Gaza.

DECEMBER IN NUMBERS

Reporting period 1-7 Dec 2025

PALESTINE

659,392 beneficiaries (2 million planned)

Gaza



370,008 (1.6 million planned)

Cargo Movements



7,853 mt of food aid were collected inside Gaza



General Food Assistance



Bread bundles (~181,000 2kg bundles, daily)



39,506 Food parcels



39,484 Flour Bags



786,300 Hot Meals

170,548

283,844

Malnutrition Assistance

Malnutrition prevention assistance

Malnutrition treatment assistance

School Meals



191,968

63,630

2,048

West Bank



289,384 (338,000 planned)



USD 2.6 M National Cash Transfer Programme Support (vouchers)



167,556



USD 1.7 M Emergency Response (vouchers)



107,619



USD 3,360 Malnutrition Prevention Assistance (digital transfer)



34



USD 175,470 Support for Bedouins and Herders (vouchers)



10,708



913 In-kind Rations for Bedouins and Herders



5,115



USD 1,710 Support for Gazan Workers (digital transfer)



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Figures are subject to change pending final partner reporting for the month. Total beneficiary numbers account for overlap among individuals receiving multiple types of assistance.

WFP Contributions



USD 573 M Jan 2025-Present



Government donors Private donors Unmet needs

777 M

50 M

0.8 B

Largest Donors



WFP six-month net funding requirements



USD 347.5 M Dec 2025 – May 2026

WFP requires USD 7.5 million per month to sustain operations in the West Bank. Current funding will cover CBT activities only until the end of January 2026 and in-kind distributions until the end of March 2026. Additional funding is urgently needed to prevent disruptions in assistance beyond this period.

SITUATION UPDATE

- On 10 December, the Allenby/King Hussein Bridge crossing reopened for Gaza**, reflecting broader diplomatic efforts to facilitate humanitarian access and support increased aid delivery. **Nevertheless, movements are limited to Back-to-Back convoys carrying food commodities only, while Government-to-Government convoy modality remains halted. Expanding access and increasing convoy capacity is critical to meet urgent humanitarian needs.** The crossing had been closed following a security incident in September involving a Jordanian aid driver, after which aid trucks were no longer permitted to use the route. The prolonged closure further constrained humanitarian access, particularly as the Allenby/King Hussein Bridge is a key corridor between Jordan and the West Bank.
- On 8 December, the Secretary General strongly condemned the unauthorized entry of Israeli police into the UNRWA headquarters in East Jerusalem**, removing UN property, and replacing the UN flag with the

Israeli flag. The incident has also prompted expressions of concern and condemnation from various international actors.

- A winter storm affected Gaza since 10 December, bringing heavy rains, strong winds, high seas, and thunderstorms.** The severe weather is likely to further impact tens of thousands of displaced families living in tents and makeshift shelters, potentially causing additional damage and worsening already difficult humanitarian conditions.

PROGRAMME UPDATE (1-7 December)



General Food Assistance in Gaza

- In the first week of December, WFP reached over 170,600 people with food parcels and wheat flour**, distributing assistance through 59 active distribution points across Gaza. Due to the limitations of supplies, WFP provided reduced rations – 75 percent of the full entitlement, equivalent to two food parcels and one wheat flour bag per household – to reach as many people as

possible. **Sustained and increased supply inflows remain critical for further scale-up.**

- **Forty-three community kitchens are operational across the Strip:** 17 in the south, 11 in the middle area, and 15 in the north, **serving an estimated 340,000 meals per day.** The scale-up of additional kitchens continues.
- **WFP's 19 operational bakeries, including eight in the north,** currently produce over 181,000 bread bundles per day (2 kg each). All bread is provided either for free or at a subsidized price (ILS 3, < USD 1) through 122 contracted retailers. In December, WFP will expand to additional retailers, supporting a gradual shift from free distribution through partners to subsidized sales.



Malnutrition Assistance in Gaza

- **A total of eleven WFP partners are now actively delivering nutrition services. WFP provided malnutrition-prevention assistance to 63,630** pregnant and breastfeeding women/girls and children under five across 105 active sites. In parallel, **treatment services reached over 2,000** pregnant and breastfeeding women/girls at 54 sites.
- In collaboration with UNICEF, UNRWA, and the Education Cluster, **WFP provided fortified nutritious snacks to nearly 192,000 children – surpassing the monthly target of 120,000 – in 238 active Temporary Learning Spaces (TLS)** in shelters.



Digital Payments in Gaza

- The distribution of WFP's digital transfers is set for mid-December, with a target of 300,000 people.



General Food Assistance in the West Bank

- **More than 107,600 people received emergency food vouchers** under the shock response plan, while **the regular voucher programme assisted nearly 167,600 vulnerable people.**
- Through WFP's **First 1,000 Days Programme, 34 women** received cash top-ups to meet higher nutritional needs. **In Area C, 10,700 Bedouins and herders received food vouchers and over 5,100 were supported with in-kind assistance.**
- Additionally, **eight Gazan workers stranded in the West Bank** continued to receive regular cash assistance.



SUPPLY CHAIN

- **Sustained access constraints across all corridors continue to limit WFP's ability to operate at scale, despite full operational readiness.** The cumulative impact of restrictions, sudden procedural changes, and inconsistent mechanisms are now putting the continuity of General Food Distributions (GFD) in Gaza at risk.
- Following a temporary increase in scanning throughput at Ashdod Port in late November, operations were again suspended due to a scanner malfunction, halting cargo movements. **With no alternative scanning option available, WFP cargo continues to face delays.**
- Repeated cancellations of WFP-manifested humanitarian trucks in favor of commercial cargo from the West Bank, combined with ongoing procedural changes at West Bank crossings, have **made operational planning highly unpredictable and are affecting fleet utilization, dispatch sequencing, and delivery timelines.**

- Inside Gaza, uplifts from the Kerem Shalom/Karam Abu Salem (KS) crossing continue to be routed exclusively via the coastal road, which remains heavily congested and exposes movements to significant operational and security risks. WFP continues to advocate for the reopening of the Salah Ad-Din Road to enable a faster and more reliable route for humanitarian deliveries.

CLUSTERS AND COMMON SERVICES



Food Security Sector (FSS)

- As of 6 December, **1.5 million meals** were prepared and delivered daily by 26 partners in 206 community kitchens.
- **Around 3,500 veterinary kits entered Gaza on 5 December, the first such delivery since August 2024.** These kits will help improve animal health, protect herding livelihoods, and support vector control by addressing ectoparasite infestations, which remain a significant public health concern. The sector continues to promote the One Health approach, emphasizing the interconnectedness of human, animal, and environmental health.



Logistics Cluster (LC)

- **The Logistics Cluster team was granted access to the Gaza crossing platforms** - starting with KS - to support partners with improved stock visibility and logistics oversight.
- A total of **1,356 trucks** were manifested for 16 partners, with 989 (73 percent) offloaded at Gaza crossings.
- The Logistics Cluster facilitated the collection of **2,421 pallets** of aid from Gaza entry points on behalf of partners and received 40 m³ of aid on behalf of two partners in common warehouses inside Gaza.
- **The West Bank route remains constrained** by shifting requirements causing delays, rejections, and higher costs.
- **The Allenby Bridge partially reopened after its closure on 18 September, initially to commercial trucks and subsequently also to limited humanitarian commodities (food only).** The first WFP crossing took place on 10 December, one day after the authorization of food shipments was communicated on 9 December.
- Back-to-Back (B2B) convoys continue via Sheikh Hussein Bridge – Jordan River, though capacity remains very limited. Four B2B convoys for three partners were facilitated, with 30 trucks offloaded at Gaza crossings.
- **The Egypt route remains restricted,** with authorizations via Nitzana limited to 40 trucks/day, compounded by frequent returns at KS.



Emergency Telecommunications Cluster (ETC)

- **In 2025, the ETC and UNDSS delivered Basic Security Communications training to a total of 43 personnel across five UN agencies** strengthening their skills in effective communication during field missions, with additional sessions planned.
- On 05 December, the ETC, in collaboration with UNDSS and UNRWA, **initiated relocating the Very High Frequency (VHF) repeater** from the WFP guest house in Deir Al Balah to the UNRWA Khan Yunis Training Center (KYTC), aiming to enhance VHF coverage in southern Gaza. Installation at KYTC is still underway.