



WFP Ukraine

External Situation Report #55 | November 2024

SAVING LIVES
CHANGING LIVES



WFP RESOURCES

SIX MONTH NET FUNDING REQUIRED

December 2024-May 2025, based on the Implementation Plan

USD 188.2 m

IN NUMBERS



6,365 MT of food distributed



USD 14 million cash disbursed



1.4 million beneficiaries reached

WFP OPERATIONAL PRESENCE



WFP OPERATION: [Ukraine transitional interim country strategic plan \(2023-2024\)](#)

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WFP UKRAINE OFFICES: **6**

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WFP emergency response phase: **CORPORATE ATTENTION**

KEY HIGHLIGHTS

- Escalating attacks and rapidly shifting frontlines have resulted in WFP losing access to 160 frontline settlements.
- Five of WFP's distribution centers were attacked in November.
- WFP scales up multi-purpose cash assistance (MPCA) to support evacuees in transit centres.
- 23 ha out of 50 ha of land cleared under the humanitarian mine action programme are under cultivation; estimated yield is the equivalent of 160,000 loaves of bread.
- The Third International Food Security summit was held; an additional USD 35 million pledged in financial support to the Grain from Ukraine Program.



SITUATION UPDATE

- The ongoing armed conflict in Ukraine, particularly in regions like Donetsk, Kharkiv, Mykolaiv, and Kherson, has severely compromised humanitarian operations. Rapid territorial shifts and intensifying ground engagements have limited or obstructed access to some areas, with **WFP losing reach to approximately 160 frontline settlements, impacting around 23,000 beneficiaries.**
- Over the last two months, **18 WFP distribution sites (five in November) have been attacked** by Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAVs), impacting WFP's cooperating partner's ability to provide assistance to local populations. These increased humanitarian access challenges have **led to distribution delays or cancellations, impacting 65 percent of WFP's 1,100 food distribution points, which are mobile and often operated from trucks.**



WFP UKRAINE RESPONSE

WFP assisted an estimated 1.4 million people in November through various activities.

GENERAL FOOD ASSISTANCE

Food and Nutrition Assistance

- WFP reached **791,885** Ukrainians through a combination of bread, rapid response rations, 30-day rations, and institutional feeding to meet the specific needs of various populations. **Most of WFP's in-kind support goes to frontline communities.**
- WFP reached 10,800 beneficiaries** with double distributions in the Donetsk region and provided around **3,000 ready-to-eat (RTEs) food rations to evacuees** from Donetsk and Kharkiv in centralized transit centers.

DOUBLE DISTRIBUTIONS: WFP continues to provide double distributions in areas where access is challenging, especially along the frontline.

Cash Based Transfers

- WFP disbursed almost **USD 14 million** to **642,418 people** in need through various cash-based assistance modalities.
- WFP is **scaling up multi-purpose cash assistance (MPCA) to support evacuees** in transit centres in Izyum and Kharkiv and supporting those affected by recent attacks in Sumy. WFP is also delivering a second round of MPCA to those previously supported (Jan–Sept) in Sumy, Chernihiv, Kharkiv, Donetsk, and Zaporizhzhia.

MPCA Scale UP: WFP continues to provide MPCA to evacuees and other beneficiaries in areas where access is challenging, especially along the frontline.

- WFP transitioned an additional **25,800 people from in-kind to cash-for-food** in areas where markets are recovering, **bringing the total assisted with cash-for-food to 224,000 in November** across Dnipro, Kharkiv, Mykolaiv, and Zaporizhzhia regions.

SCHOOL FEEDING:

- Ministers and high-level representatives from across Europe gathered in Kyiv for the European Regional School Meals Coalition Summit. The summit, hosted by Ukraine under the leadership of the First Lady Olena Zelenska and supported by WFP, focused on strengthening efforts to provide nutritious school meals to all children by 2030. **Finland pledged support at the summit, Slovenia joined the school meals coalition, and Croatia committed to joining soon.** WFP met with the First Lady to discuss expanding the school feeding programme, with the First Lady expressing gratitude for WFP's support and recognizing its role in driving progress in the sector.

INSTITUTIONAL FEEDING:

- As of November 2024, **WFP ceased all institutional feeding support to hospitals in Donetsk** due to their preparations for relocation to safer areas. Previously, WFP supported seven hospitals in the region, catering to approximately 1,400 patients. In November, **134,000 beneficiaries were reached** under the institutional feeding programme.

HUMANITARIAN MINE ACTION

- After the operational season, a successful demining effort in Yaremivka presents a promising agricultural recovery. For example, *The Fondation suisse de déminage* (FSD) has **cleared a 50-hectare site, with 23 hectares now cultivated. Projections indicate an anticipated wheat yield of 80 mt - equivalent to approximately 160,000 loaves of bread**, symbolizing significant local food security and agricultural land restoration.

GRAIN FROM UKRAINE

- The Third International Food Security Summit was held in Kyiv under the "Grain from Ukraine"

humanitarian programme, strategically timed with Ukraine's Holodomor Remembrance Day. The event brought together global leaders, ministers, international organizations, and food security experts to address critical global hunger challenges. **Participating countries pledged USD 35 million in additional financial support to the Grain from Ukraine Initiative.** An additional seven countries were added to the initiative.



CLUSTERS AND COMMON SERVICES

FOOD SECURITY AND LIVELIHOODS CLUSTER (FSLC)

- The FSLC, in collaboration with the Protection Cluster and WFP/FAO, **conducted a training session for 60 partners on protection, gender, disability inclusion, and accountability to affected populations.** This initiative aimed to increase awareness and practical application of these principles during the 16 days of activism against gender-based violence.
- In response to escalating hostilities in the Kupiansk region, the **FSLC established coordination for emergency food assistance at a new transit center in Izium.** Over the past week, nearly 1,000 individuals have received ready-to-eat rations and hot meals.
- As the year ends, FSLC partners are **accelerating the transition from in-kind food assistance to sectoral cash transfers in areas where markets and banking systems are functioning.** As of the end of October, partners have already achieved 60 percent of the 2024 sectoral cash target.

LOGISTICS CLUSTER

- In the last 45 days, **the WFP-led Logistics Cluster has matched its previous nine months' cargo transportation volume**, supporting 41 frontline interagency convoys. In November, the cluster **dispatched 1,120 mt of humanitarian aid to 18 locations** across seven eastern and southern Ukrainian regions on behalf of 22 partners.

EMERGENCY TELECOMMUNICATIONS CLUSTER (ETC)

- The ETC conducted an annual user satisfaction rate survey, **which showed a one percent increase in user satisfaction** compared to last year.



RESOURCING UPDATE

- WFP faces a significant funding gap. Currently funded at 31 percent for the next six months (until May 2025), WFP's implementation plan requires an additional **USD 188.2 million** to sustain operations.