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WFP Yemen Situation Report #8 August 2024



WFP RESOURCES

SIX-MONTH NET FUNDING REQUIREMENT

September 2024 – February 2025

US\$ 525 m

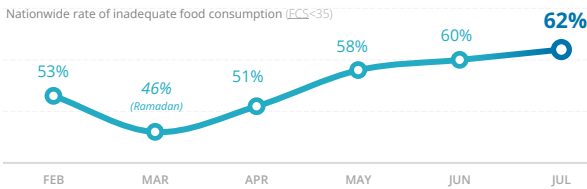
2024 ANNUAL NEEDS RESOURCED

Balances carried forward and 2024 contributions, as of 31 August¹

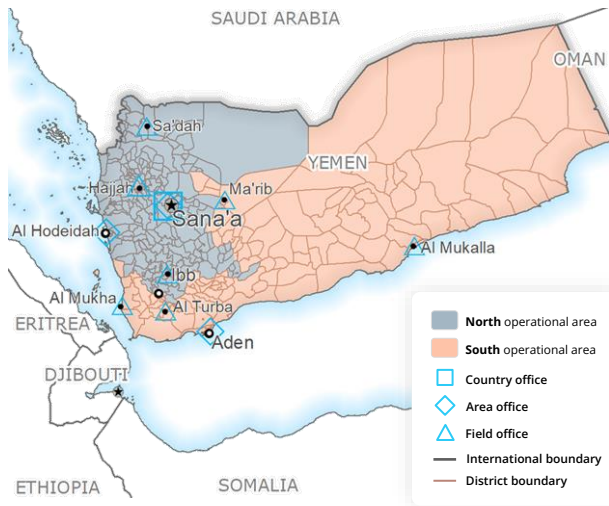
US\$ 971 m

FOOD INSECURITY

Nationwide rate of inadequate food consumption (CCS<35)



WFP OPERATIONAL PRESENCE



WFP OPERATION:
WFP YEMEN STAFF: 857
WFP YEMEN OFFICES: 10
WFP YEMEN COOPERATING PARTNERS: 24

Yemen Interim country strategic plan 2023-2025

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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/Osama Mohamed. Mona, 45, makes bread dough using WFP wheat flour in Al Mukha, Ta'iz governorate, August 2024.

In Numbers

1.2 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 is deteriorating rapidly, with 62 percent of the population nationwide now facing inadequate food consumption – the highest ever recorded by WFP in Yemen.
- In northern Yemen, WFP in August started distributions under a Rapid Emergency Response to 1.4 million people in 34 districts designed to alleviate the food security impacts of the ongoing food assistance pause.
- In response to an alarming increase in acute malnutrition in southern Yemen, WFP in August started an emergency response in six districts of Al Hodeidah and Ta'iz governorates, including a scale up of malnutrition prevention and a two-month expansion of food assistance to 115,400 displaced people.
- Following severe floods across several areas of Yemen, WFP is responding through the inter-agency Rapid Response Mechanism, with 120,500 people assisted as of end-August.

SITUATION UPDATE

Food security situation:

- The food security situation in Yemen continues to deteriorate. The nationwide rate of [inadequate food consumption](#) reached 62 percent in July – the highest ever recorded by WFP in Yemen, according to WFP [data](#).

Nutrition situation:

- Concurrently, southern Yemen is seeing an alarming increase in acute malnutrition. The recent Integrated Food Security Phase Classification (IPC) [acute malnutrition analysis](#) found a 34 percent increase in severe acute malnutrition (SAM) from 2023, and projects *Extremely Critical* (Phase 5) levels of acute malnutrition in areas of Al Hodeidah and Ta'iz for the first time.

- In response, WFP in mid-August started an emergency response in six districts of Al Hodeidah and Ta'iz governorates, including a two-month extension of emergency food assistance to internally displaced populations. The plan also includes the roll-out of the prevention of acute malnutrition programme in the six districts. As of end-August, WFP had reached 105,000 people, 91 percent of the planned 115,400 people.

Floods:

- Heavy rainfall caused severe floods across large areas in August, with at least 400,000 people affected.
- In response, WFP commenced a first-line response in coordination with local authorities, providing emergency assistance through the inter-agency Rapid Response Mechanism (RRM).¹ By the end of August, the RRM had assisted 120,500 flood-affected people across Yemen.
- Further, WFP was preparing an emergency response to 157,000 people in 40 flood-affected districts to supplement the RRM and cover unaddressed needs.

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.

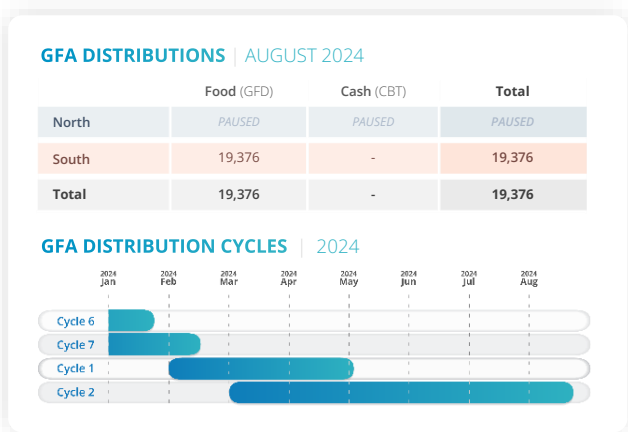


WFP ACTIVITIES

WFP assisted an estimated 1.2 million people across its activities in Yemen in August 2024²

GENERAL FOOD ASSISTANCE:

- WFP provided general food assistance (GFA) to 19,400 people in August.
- WFP distributes GFA in cycles.³ In August, WFP concluded distributions under cycle 2 of 2024 and started dispatching food for cycle 3 (*Since November 2023, GFA has been provided in southern Yemen only*).



Northern Yemen Rapid Emergency Response:

- In late August, WFP started a **Rapid Emergency Response (RER)** food assistance operation in northern Yemen designed to respond to [rising food insecurity](#) during the ongoing GFA [pause](#). The operation targets 1.4 million people across 34 districts. As of end-August, WFP had reached 239,100 people.

Targeting and registration:

- With limited resources and to strengthen assurance measures in Yemen, WFP is conducting a GFA beneficiary re-targeting and registration exercise.
- In northern Yemen, a pilot exercise has been successfully completed, and WFP, in coordination with local authorities, is now preparing 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 the lessons learned.
- In southern Yemen, data collection for 3.6 million existing beneficiaries has been completed, and preparations continue for the prioritization phase, which will determine a revised GFA beneficiary caseload.

GENERAL FOOD ASSISTANCE - PARTIAL ASSISTANCE PAUSE:

WFP's GFA programme remained [paused](#) in northern Yemen in August, with deliberations ongoing with authorities and key donors on a way forward for the programme.

NUTRITION ASSISTANCE:

- WFP assisted 739,800 pregnant and breastfeeding women and girls (PBWG) and children under its nutrition programmes:⁴

Treatment of moderate acute malnutrition:

- WFP assisted 655,600 PBWG and children under its Treatment of Moderate Acute Malnutrition (MAM) programme in August (of the 671,300 people targeted).

Prevention of acute malnutrition:

- WFP assisted 84,200 PBWG and children under its Prevention of Acute Malnutrition programme in August (of the 103,200 people targeted under a [Yemen Humanitarian Fund \(YHF\)](#) allocation).

NUTRITION ASSISTANCE - IMPACT OF FUNDING SHORTFALLS:

Due to continued funding shortfalls, 2.4 million PBWG and children were still [affected](#) by the suspension of [malnutrition prevention](#) in August.

SCHOOL FEEDING:

- In August, WFP assisted 381,500 students in 907 schools in northern Yemen, where the 2024-2025 school year started in mid-July. In southern Yemen, schools reopened in mid-August and dispatches were underway

¹ 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.

² 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.

³ WFP in 2022 shifted from monthly GFA distributions (lasting approximately 30 days) to more flexible distribution cycles. These cycles might overlap in different areas.

⁴ Nutrition figures based on dispatches.

by end-August to resume school feeding for 445,700 students.

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 initially only planning to assist 824,600 students countrywide each month this school year; less than half of the 2 million children reached last year.

RESILIENCE AND LIVELIHOODS:

- WFP supported 59,100 people under its Resilience and Livelihoods activity in August, transferring US\$ 722,800 in cash-based transfers (CBT) to project participants.
- Participants worked on 153 assets, including rural road rehabilitation, and water harvesting and agricultural projects in four governorates.

RESEARCH, ASSESSMENT AND MONITORING:

- WFP and contracted third-party monitoring partners conducted 893 monitoring activities in August, covering all activities, including on-site monitoring visits.
- WFP's call centres conducted 2,100 outgoing calls to verify the receipt of assistance, food delivery to distribution sites, and to collect food security data.
- WFP received 30,600 incoming calls to its Community Feedback Mechanism (CFM), which provides a channel for beneficiaries to interface directly with WFP.

humanitarians as well as security communications services to 2,600 responders across 19 sites.

ON-DEMAND SERVICES:

- WFP delivered 1.8 million litres of fuel to WHO and UNICEF-supported hospitals and local water and sanitation (WASH) facilities in August.
- 125,000 litres of fuel were provided to UN agencies and international non-governmental organizations through the Small-Quantity Fuel Provision-mechanism.
- 69 m³ of medical items were transported to Al Hodeidah port on behalf of one partner.



FUNDING SITUATION

- WFP Yemen received contributions of US\$ 120 million in August from the European Commission, Norway, the United States, and private donors.
- WFP is 42 percent funded for the September 2024 – February 2025 six-month period, with a net funding requirement of US\$ 525 million (note that these figures are based on the projected requirements of an ongoing budget revision to the WFP interim country strategic plan).
- Including resources carried over from 2023, WFP had US\$ 971 million in needs resourced at the end of August. The bulk of these funds have already been spent on food and CBT for ongoing GFA distributions in southern Yemen, nutrition commodities to be distributed over the coming months, currently ongoing resilience and livelihoods activities, as well as school feeding commodities for the current school year.



CLUSTERS AND COMMON SERVICES

UN HUMANITARIAN AIR SERVICE (UNHAS):

- In August, the WFP-managed UNHAS operated 62 flights, carrying 1,231 passengers from 18 UN agencies and 50 international non-governmental organizations.

LOGISTICS CLUSTER:

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

EMERGENCY TELECOMMUNICATIONS CLUSTER (ETC):

- The WFP-led ETC supported 49 partner organizations in August, providing critical data connectivity to 1,500

WFP Yemen INTERIM COUNTRY STRATEGIC PLAN (2023-2025)		CARRY-OVER ¹	2024 CONTRIBUTIONS ²	NEEDS RESOURCED ³ (as of 31 August)	6-MONTH NET FUNDING REQUIREMENT (September 2024 - February 2025)	PEOPLE ASSISTED (August 2024)	FEMALE	MALE
OUTCOME	ACTIVITY	469 m	502 m	971 m	525 m	1,167,092¹		
OUTCOME 1	ACTIVITY 1: General food assistance				300 m	19,376	9,517	9,859
	ACTIVITY 2: Treatment of moderate acute malnutrition				23.1 m	655,633	514,531	141,102
OUTCOME 2	ACTIVITY 3: Prevention of acute malnutrition				56.3 m	84,200	60,444	23,756
	ACTIVITY 4: School feeding				60.3 m	381,492	186,492	195,000
OUTCOME 3	ACTIVITY 5: Resilience and livelihoods				65.2 m	59,101	29,030	30,071
	ACTIVITY 6: United Nations Humanitarian Air Service				19 m			
OUTCOME 4	ACTIVITY 7: Logistics Cluster				-			
	ACTIVITY 8: Emergency Telecommunications Cluster				1.4 m			
	ACTIVITY 9: Bilateral Service Provision				-			

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