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WFP Yemen Situation Report #9 September 2023

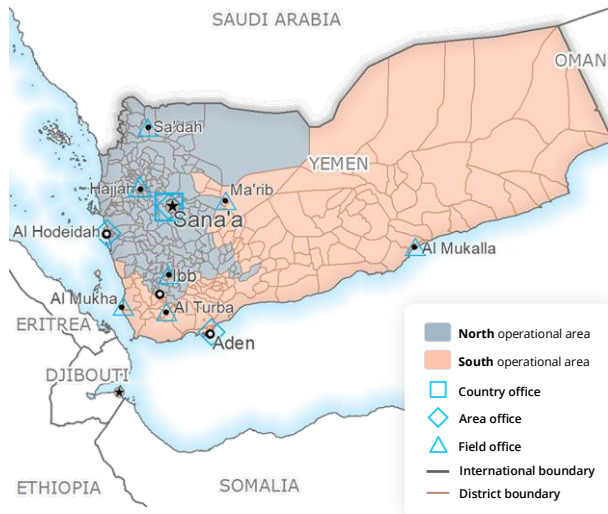


WFP SIX-MONTH NET FUNDING REQUIREMENT **US\$ 1.26 bn**
November 2023 – April 2024

2023 ANNUAL FUNDING REQUIREMENT **US\$ 2.95 bn**
2023 needs-based budget

2023 ANNUAL NEEDS RESOURCED **US\$ 1.17 bn**
Balances carried forward and 2023 contributions, as of 30 September

WFP YEMEN OPERATIONAL PRESENCE



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| WFP OPERATION: | Yemen interim country strategic plan 2023-2025 |
| NEEDS-BASED BUDGET: | US\$ 8.56 billion (2023-2025) |
| WFP GENDER AND AGE MARKER: | 4 (fully integrates gender and age) |
| WFP EMERGENCY CLASSIFICATION: | Corporate Attention |
| WFP YEMEN STAFF: | 986 |
| WFP YEMEN OFFICES: | 11 |
| WFP YEMEN COOPERATING PARTNERS: | 32 |

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¹ Integrated Food Security Phase Classification Acute Food Insecurity (IPC AFI) projection update, October – December 2022.

² Integrated Food Security Phase Classification Acute Malnutrition (IPC AMN) analysis, January – May 2022.

Photo: © WFP/ Ahmed Saleem, Ahmed, 7, at his mother Alia's workshop in Lahj governorate, September 2023.

In Numbers

6.4 million people assisted by WFP in Yemen in September

17 million people food insecure (IPC Phases 3-4)¹

6.1 million people in Emergency (IPC Phase 4)

3.5 million people acutely malnourished²

Highlights

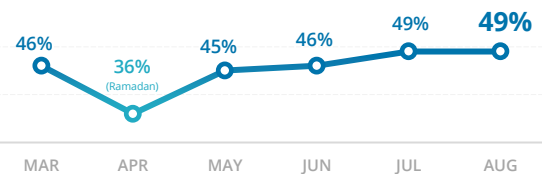
- WFP Yemen continues to face severe funding shortfalls, and is just 12 percent funded for the November 2023 - April 2024 six-month period.
- Imminent funding shortages are forcing WFP to prioritize its provision of treatment for moderate acute malnutrition (MAM), affecting half of all targeted children and women.
- A teachers strike in Aden governorate affected the provision of WFP school feeding to more than 92,700 students across four districts in September.

SITUATION UPDATE

Food Security Situation:

- According to the [WFP Yemen Food Security Update, September 2023](#), the food security situation in Yemen remained stable in August:

INADEQUATE FOOD CONSUMPTION | MAR – AUG 2023



- However, August saw an increasingly divergent food security situation in areas under the Sana'a-based authorities (SBA, north operational area) and areas under the internationally recognized Government of Yemen (IRG, south operational area).
- In IRG areas, inadequate food consumption increased by 6 percentage-points from July to August (reaching 58 percent), while decreasing by 2 percentage-points in SBA areas (reaching 45 percent).



WFP OPERATIONS

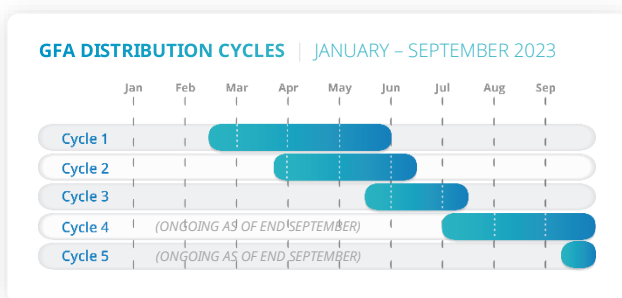
WFP assisted an estimated 6.4 million people across its activities in Yemen in September:¹

General Food Assistance (GFA):

- Over the calendar month of September, WFP distributed GFA to 5.3 million people:

| GFA DISTRIBUTIONS SEPTEMBER 2023 | | | |
|------------------------------------|------------------|----------------|------------------|
| | Food (GFD) | Cash (CBT) | Total |
| North Operational area | 2,928,947 | 42,532 | 2,971,479 |
| South Operational area | 2,133,446 | 192,373 | 2,325,819 |
| Total | 5,062,393 | 234,905 | 5,297,298 |

- WFP distributes GFA in assistance cycles, currently targeting 13.1 million people each cycle. Distributions in September were conducted under cycles 4 and 5.
- By the end of September, cycle 4 was nearing completion, while cycle 5 distributions started in mid-September:²



- WFP dispatched 67,500 mt of in-kind GFA in September, all under cycle 5, dispatches for which started in early September.



Impact of funding shortfalls | general food assistance:

Due to funding shortfalls, WFP provides all GFA recipients with approximately 40 percent of the standard food basket. Further reductions are foreseen as of Q4 2023 in the absence of urgently needed funding.

UN Rapid Response Mechanism (RRM):

- The RRM [assisted](#) 40,200 people in September, primarily households affected by floods (81 percent) and conflict-induced displacement (19 percent). The RRM is led by UNFPA with UNICEF and WFP as supply partners.

Nutrition Assistance:

- WFP dispatched nutrition assistance sufficient for 723,000 children and pregnant and breastfeeding women and girls (PBWG) in September:
- Under its Treatment of Moderate Acute Malnutrition (MAM) programme, WFP dispatched specialised nutritious food for 594,700 people: 263,400 children aged 6-59 months and 331,300 PBWG.
- WFP's Prevention of Acute Malnutrition programme remains mostly [suspended](#). WFP dispatched specialized nutritious food for just 128,300 people in September: 71,800 children 6-23 months and 56,500 PBWG.



Impact of funding shortfalls | nutrition assistance:

WFP's MAM treatment programme is facing imminent funding shortfalls in SBA areas, forcing WFP to develop a geographic prioritization strategy to sustain assistance to the most vulnerable.

This will affect 329,000 people; 137,100 children and 191,900 PBWG (49 percent of the originally targeted 671,300 beneficiaries), who will miss out on MAM treatment in October.

The reduction of MAM treatment follows the almost complete [suspension](#) of WFP's malnutrition prevention programme last month.

School Feeding:

- WFP assisted 1.8 million schoolchildren in September under its School Feeding programme: School feeding took place in 4,354 schools in 84 districts across 19 governorates, with 2,400 mt of food distributed.
- While WFP [resumed](#) school feeding in IRG areas last month, a teacher's strike delayed implementation to 92,700 students in four districts of Aden governorate.

Resilience and Livelihoods:

- WFP supported 23,700 people under its Resilience and Livelihoods activity in September: Participants worked on 25 assets, including rural road rehabilitation, water harvesting schemes, fishing landing sites, school rehabilitation, and agricultural projects in nine districts in Al Jawf, Hadramawt, Hajjah, and Ta'iz governorate.

Research, Assessment and Monitoring (RAM): Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E):

- WFP and contracted third-party monitoring companies conducted 1,500 monitoring activities in September covering all activities, including on-site monitoring visits.
- WFP's call centres conducted 11,000 outgoing calls to verify the receipt of assistance, food delivery to distribution sites, and to collect food security data.

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 Note that GFA assistance cycles might overlap in different areas.

- WFP received 23,900 incoming calls to its Community Feedback Mechanism (CFM), which provides a channel for beneficiaries to interface directly with WFP.

Vulnerability Analysis and Mapping (VAM):

- Following the [completion](#) of the Food Security and Livelihoods Assessment (FSLA), preparations are underway for a new nationwide Integrated Food Security Phase Classification (IPC) analysis.
- IPC workshops are planned to take place in October in IRG areas and in November in areas under the SBA.



CLUSTERS AND COMMON SERVICES

UN Humanitarian Air Service (UNHAS):

- In September, the WFP-managed UNHAS operated 79 flights, carrying 1,437 passengers from 19 UN agencies and 55 international non-governmental organizations.

Food Security and Agriculture Cluster (FSAC):

- The 2024 Yemen [Humanitarian Programme Cycle](#) (HPC) process is underway. Under the 2024 HPC, humanitarian actors will plan using area-based approaches with a focus on greater integration and increased efficiency, accountability, and impact.

Integrated Famine Risk Reduction (IFRR):

- The IFRR coordination group is working with the IFRR clusters (Food Security and Agriculture, Nutrition, Health, and Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH)) to ensure more robust needs analyses. Cluster-level severity outcomes will inform updates to the IFRR [Combined Severity map](#) and table.

Logistics Cluster:

- The WFP-led Logistics Cluster supported 39 partners in September through coordination, information management, and access to common storage.
- 22 m³ of cargo was received in common storage on behalf of one partner, while 142 m³ of humanitarian cargo was released on behalf of three partners.

Emergency Telecommunications Cluster (ETC):

- In September, the WFP-led ETC [supported](#) 49 partner organizations, providing critical data connectivity to 1,500 humanitarians, and security communications services to 2,400 responders supported across 20 sites.
- Funded by WFP, the ETC supported the installation of 35 solar lights in the internally displaced persons (IDP) camp in Al Makha (Ta'iz governorate) to enhance the safety of the 6,100 IDPs residing in the camp.

Bilateral Service Provision (BSP):

- In September, WFP BSP delivered 2.7 million litres of fuel to WHO and UNICEF-supported hospitals and local water and sanitation (WASH) facilities.
- 60,000 litres of fuel were provided to UN agencies and international non-governmental organizations through the BSP Small-Quantity Fuel Provision-mechanism.
- 142 m³ of non-food items (NFIs) were transported to Al Hodeidah port on behalf of three partners, with 845 m³ of various NFIs in the pipeline for four partners.



FUNDING SITUATION

- Contributions of US\$ 5.4 million were confirmed in September from China, Denmark, and private donors.
- WFP's [needs-based plan](#) is just 12 percent funded for the November 2023 – April 2024 six-month period, with a net funding requirement of US\$ 1.26 billion.

2023 DONORS | AS OF SEPTEMBER 2023

Australia, Austria, Brazil, Bulgaria, Canada, Central Emergency Response Fund (CERF), China, Czech Republic, Denmark, European Union, Estonia, France, Germany, Iceland, Japan, Republic of Korea, Luxembourg, Mauritius, Norway, Poland, Russian Federation, Saudi Arabia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, United Kingdom, United States of America, Yemen Humanitarian Fund (YHF), World Bank, WFP multilateral funds, private donors.

WFP YEMEN INTERIM COUNTRY STRATEGIC PLAN 2023-2025 (ICSP)

| WFP EMERGENCY RESPONSE PHASE: CORPORATE ATTENTION | | CARRY-OVER | 2023 CONTRIBUTIONS | NEEDS RESOURCED (as of 30 September) | 6-MONTH NET FUNDING REQUIREMENT (November 2023 – April 2024) | PEOPLE ASSISTED (September 2023) | FEMALE | MALE |
|---|--|------------|--------------------|---|---|-------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| ICSP OUTCOME | ICSP ACTIVITY | 644 m | 522 m | 1.16 b | 1.26 b | 6,389,028¹ | | |
| OUTCOME 1 | ACTIVITY 1: General food assistance | | | | 810.3 m | 5,297,298 | 2,602,033 | 2,695,265 |
| | ACTIVITY 2: Treatment of moderate acute malnutrition | | | | 52.1 m | 594,659 | 460,330 | 134,329 |
| OUTCOME 2 | ACTIVITY 3: Prevention of acute malnutrition | | | | 116.7 m | 128,300 | 91,682 | 36,618 |
| | ACTIVITY 4: School feeding | | | | 97.5 m | 1,754,623 | 857,748 | 896,875 |
| OUTCOME 3 | ACTIVITY 5: Resilience and livelihoods | | | | 167.1 m | 23,695 | 11,639 | 12,056 |
| | ACTIVITY 6: United Nations Humanitarian Air Service | | | | 16.1 m | | | |
| OUTCOME 4 | ACTIVITY 7: Logistics Cluster | | | | - | | | |
| | ACTIVITY 8: Emergency Telecommunications Cluster | | | | 1.5 m | | | |
| | ACTIVITY 9: Bilateral Service Provision | | | | - | | | |

