

# WFP PALESTINE EMERGENCY RESPONSE

## External Situation Report

Mohammed is carrying a food parcel he just received from a WFP distribution point to his tent. WFP/Al Jadallah

### HIGHLIGHTS

- Nowhere in Gaza is safe, and conditions remain volatile. Intensified Israeli military action has led to the re-displacement of tens of thousands of Palestinians. This has severely limited humanitarian operations and forced food distribution points to close and evacuate.
- Aid delivery through crossings is severely hampered, with missions denied and partners forced to shut down. Deliveries of fuel to Gaza have been severely constrained, which affected trucks, hospitals, generators, sewage pumping, desalination systems, and bakeries. WFP urges for a ceasefire and calls to restore the rule of law within Gaza, reestablishing operational and safe entry points.
- Polio has been detected in water in some areas of Gaza, which raises fears of an outbreak and the necessity to enhance vaccination efforts.
- Food assistance is not enough to reach all those in need and lacks dietary diversity due to scarce commercial commodities and high prices, especially in northern Gaza.
- WFP warns of the risk of the Gaza conflict to spread to the West Bank, and to potentially push 600,000 people into food insecurity.
- Despite challenges, WFP has assisted over 1.1 million people in July so far – 956,621 in Gaza with General Food Assistance and cash-based transfers, and over 157,510 in the West Bank with cash-based transfers.

### JULY IN NUMBERS



**1.1 million people** assisted with general food assistance across Gaza and the West Bank.



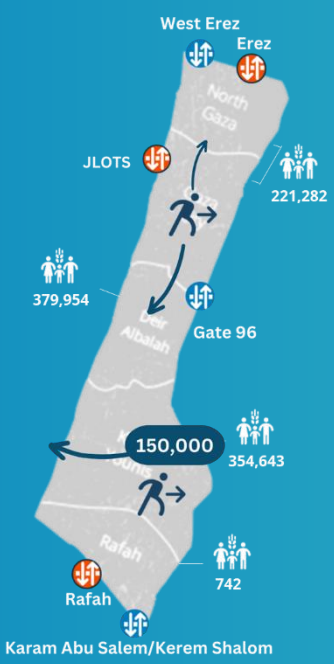
**840 WFP Trucks** delivered carrying 9,909 MT of food into Gaza in July, bringing the total to 7,450 WFP trucks carrying at least 122,208 mt of food into Gaza since the start of the crisis.



**WFP six-month net funding requirement** **\$ 142 M**  
*Aug 2024 - Jan 2025*



**1.4 million** affected people targeted monthly by WFP emergency assistance in Gaza.



- On July 16 and 17, three mass casualty events occurred, including two in UN-schools hosting IDPs.
- UNRWA reported eight schools hit in ten days.
- On July 22, Israeli forces issued evacuation orders for a “safe zone,” which displaced an estimated 150,000 people to Al-Mawasi. Twelve Food Distribution Points were initially suspended. In response, WFP initiated an urgent distribution of one RTE box per household to support the displaced populations in Khan Younis.

Crossing status (blue open, red closed) 1-20 GFA unique beneficiaries

### SITUATION UPDATE

- Over the past two weeks, following Israeli evacuation orders, there has been an **increase in displacement from northern to southern Gaza** especially toward previously designated “safe zones”. WFP is assessing the impact on aid distribution and preparing for potential relocation of kitchens and commodities.
- Intensified conflict and constant displacement in central Gaza decreases families’ ability to cope and hampers humanitarian operations. The situation forced partners to evacuate, making it harder to reach areas, and limits the ability to provide aid.

### WFP OPERATIONS



#### General Food Assistance (GFA)

- **In July so far**, WFP reached over **1.1 million vulnerable people\*** with in-kind and cash-based general food assistance across Gaza and the West Bank. In the **Gaza Strip** alone, WFP reached **956,621** people.

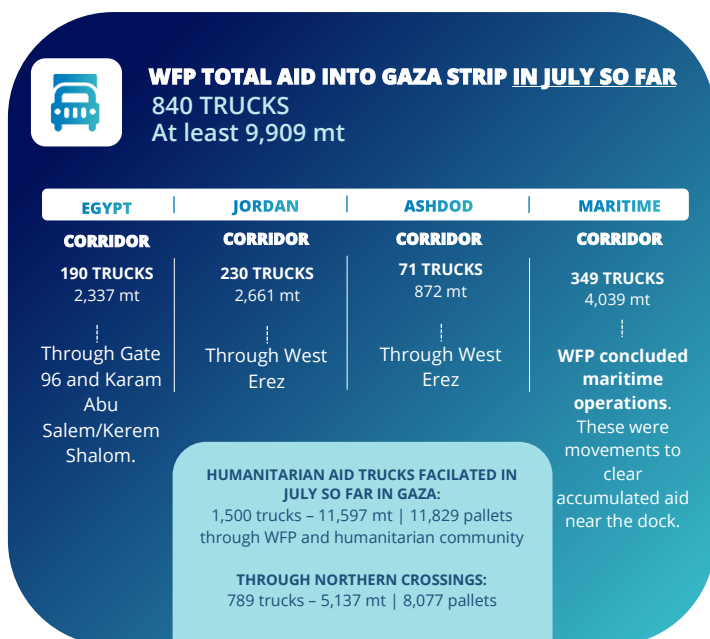
\*The total beneficiaries figure accounts for overlap between people receiving more than one type and duration of assistance. Monthly distribution figures are estimates and subject to change pending final beneficiary reconciliation.

- In the Gaza Strip, WFP distributed around **305,658 partial food parcels** enough to last for 15 days for **862,410 people** - displaced persons (IDPs) in UN-designated shelters, informal camps and within host communities – and over **1 million bread bundles (3,144 mt)** through bakeries.
- In July so far, WFP provided around **7 million hot meals** through a network of 74 community-kitchens to **178,713 people**; 87 percent of which were distributed in central governorates of Deir Al Balah and Khan Younis.
- 11,308 pregnant and breastfeeding women and 25,798 children under five** received around 876,625 Lipid-based nutritional supplements (LNS) packs as complementary feeding assistance to meet their increased nutritional needs.
- Due to Gaza's fragile markets and high food prices, **WFP initiated a Multi-Purpose Cash Assistance pilot** for 420 households in Deir al Balah to enhance their ability to meet essential needs. 1,357 people - 99% of these households - redeemed their assistance at three designated shops so far.
- In the **West Bank**, in July, **157,510 people redeemed their cash-based transfers** which enabled them to purchase food items from local stores.
- Through July, **WFP supported 11,000 children in child-friendly spaces with psychosocial assistance, through the distribution of High Energy Biscuits (HEBs) and date bars**. In partnership with UNRWA and UNICEF, WFP will streamline and scale up support, by sourcing long-term complementary food from bakeries and fresh produce suppliers.



## Supply Chain

- Since the start of the crisis until 24 July, WFP has delivered **7,450 WFP trucks** with at least **122,208 mt** of food into Gaza.



## CLUSTERS AND COMMON SERVICES



### Food Security Sector

- The resumption of agriculture and restarting commercial deliveries in Gaza is imperative to support humanitarian efforts, improve dietary diversity, boost the economy, and support fresh food production. Additionally, it is necessary to provide meals at "welcome stations" and address cooking energy shortages to prevent health and environmental risks.



### Logistics Cluster

- In support of the Jordan corridor, as of 20 July, the Logistics Cluster has consolidated 14,557 m<sup>3</sup> of humanitarian cargo at their common warehouse in Amman. Since November 2023, a total of 70 humanitarian convoys were facilitated through this corridor, dispatching 1,713 trucks with 23,370 mt of aid into Gaza on behalf of 22 partners. Between 1-20 July, 9 direct convoys (235 trucks) were dispatched with food, WASH and shelter items. All the convoy information is available on the [interactive dashboard](#).
- The Logistics Cluster new consolidation warehouse (5,000 m<sup>2</sup>) in Amman is operational, to support partners with increased common logistics services.



### Emergency Telecommunications Cluster (ETC)

- Mobile voice services in Gaza are limited due to fuel shortages and network congestion, with few operational towers. Satellite phones are functional.
- Internet connectivity is severely limited due to infrastructure damage and shortages, with minimal service in Rafah, Deir Al Balah, Jabalia, and Gaza City.
- The ETC urges to prioritize fuel for telecom and internet providers to maintain critical infrastructure.



## ACCOUNTABILITY TO AFFECTED POPULATIONS

- WFP's self-registration link to improve data collection and beneficiary management attracted **76,584 new registrations** in July so far, 783,141 since its launch.
- WFP's **inter-agency hotline** available for people to request and inquire about humanitarian assistance answered **22,170 calls in July** so far, with 26,518 cases logged, 66 percent of which were related to WFP food assistance.
- WFP has launched a chatbot** to allow vulnerable people to quickly retrieve personalized specific information about WFP assistance. This two-way interactive dialogue aims to enhance accessibility and provide instant answers to users' questions.