

WFP Ukraine and Neighbouring Countries

External Situation Report #7

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Highlights

WFP reached over 521,000 crisis-affected people inside Ukraine with food and cash assistance since the beginning of the conflict.

Overall, 91 percent of WFP pipeline of food aid for Ukraine is either distributed to cooperating partners, stored, in transit or expected to be delivered to the country over the coming few days. Over 83 percent of WFP food pipeline in Ukraine has been procured locally.

In Numbers



12 million (30%) of Ukraine's population in need of humanitarian assistance



3.5 million people displaced to neighbouring countries



6.4 million internally displaced persons



31,000 m² warehouse capacity in Ukraine and neighbouring countries



146 WFP staff on the ground in Ukraine and neighbouring countries

WFP Operations

Ukrainians continue to endure one of the fastest growing humanitarian crises of modern times. With close to 3.5 million refugees and 6.5 million internally displaced, almost one in every four Ukrainians is now displaced, in search of safety and opportunity.

The outlook for protection remains extremely volatile and continues to evolve at a rapid pace. A larger number is estimated to be stranded or unable to leave, including a significant proportion of older persons and people with disabilities. Protection concerns inside Ukraine include the severe vulnerabilities of single and/or female-headed households, unaccompanied/separated minors, trafficking risks and sexual exploitation, exclusion based on gender, sexual orientation or ethnicity, lack of documentation and civil registration and lack of access to telecommunications.

As the crisis continues with no end in sight, basic necessities have become sparse and the delivery of humanitarian relief across borders is challenged by the ongoing conflict throughout the country. Encircled cities in the north, east and south of Ukraine continue to be the areas of the highest volatility and most dire needs, outpacing the capacities of the local partners on the ground. Supply chain routes are increasingly disrupted while humanitarian corridors are being constrained by ongoing hostilities.

In Kharkiv, over 129 mt of bread is being distributed to close to 382,800 crisis-affected people, using wheat flour mostly procured from inside Ukraine. Voucher distribution continued in Lviv, assisting 1,000 vulnerable displaced people. Overall, some 1,269 mt of food were distributed to beneficiaries, through cooperating partners, in Kyiv and Kharkiv (5-days Rapid Response for 67,475 persons, 15-days food basket for 69,760 persons in addition to the bread), reaching a total of 521,035 individuals to date.

WFP's emergency response

In response to the Ukraine crisis, WFP aims to assist **3.1 million crisis-affected people and IDPs** on the move inside Ukraine with in-kind and cash distribution, as well as 300,000 refugees and asylum seekers from Ukraine in neighbouring countries. Logistics and emergency telecommunications services are provided to the humanitarian community to ensure a timely assistance inside and outside of Ukraine.

WFP Funding Requirements USD 590 million

WFP Net Funding Requirements (March 2022 – June 2022)

Basic Assistance (in-kind, cash, capacity strengthening)	USD 518 million
Assistance in Neighbouring Countries	USD 49 million
Logistics Cluster	USD 19.4 million
ETC Cluster	USD 2.9 million
On-demand Services	USD 0.5 million

WFP Moldova

Moldova received around 350,000 refugees coming from Ukraine, representing one of the highest influx of refugees per capita, compared to the other neighbouring countries. While many people move onward to Romania, around one-third have stayed in Moldova seeking immediate assistance.

WFP Moldova continues to scale up its support to the Government's humanitarian system. The team partnered with ACTED and HelpAge to provide hot meals to around 20,000 refugees in 93 accommodation centers across Moldova, and 30,000 refugees at the Căușeni railway station and the Ukraine-Moldova border crossing in Palanca. WFP partnered with the People in Need (PIN) to provide emergency cash assistance (one-off USD 190) to at least 2,000 Moldovan households hosting Ukrainian refugees.

WFP will manage the Government warehouses and provide storage services and warehouse management solutions to the humanitarian agencies as needed. WFP Corporate Response Director, Corinne Fleischer, met with the Prime Minister of Moldova and various humanitarian partners to discuss the plans ahead. The group visited the Palanca border crossing, South of Moldova and two refugee centers where cooperating partners distributed WFP hot meals to the crisis-affected people.

Supply chain



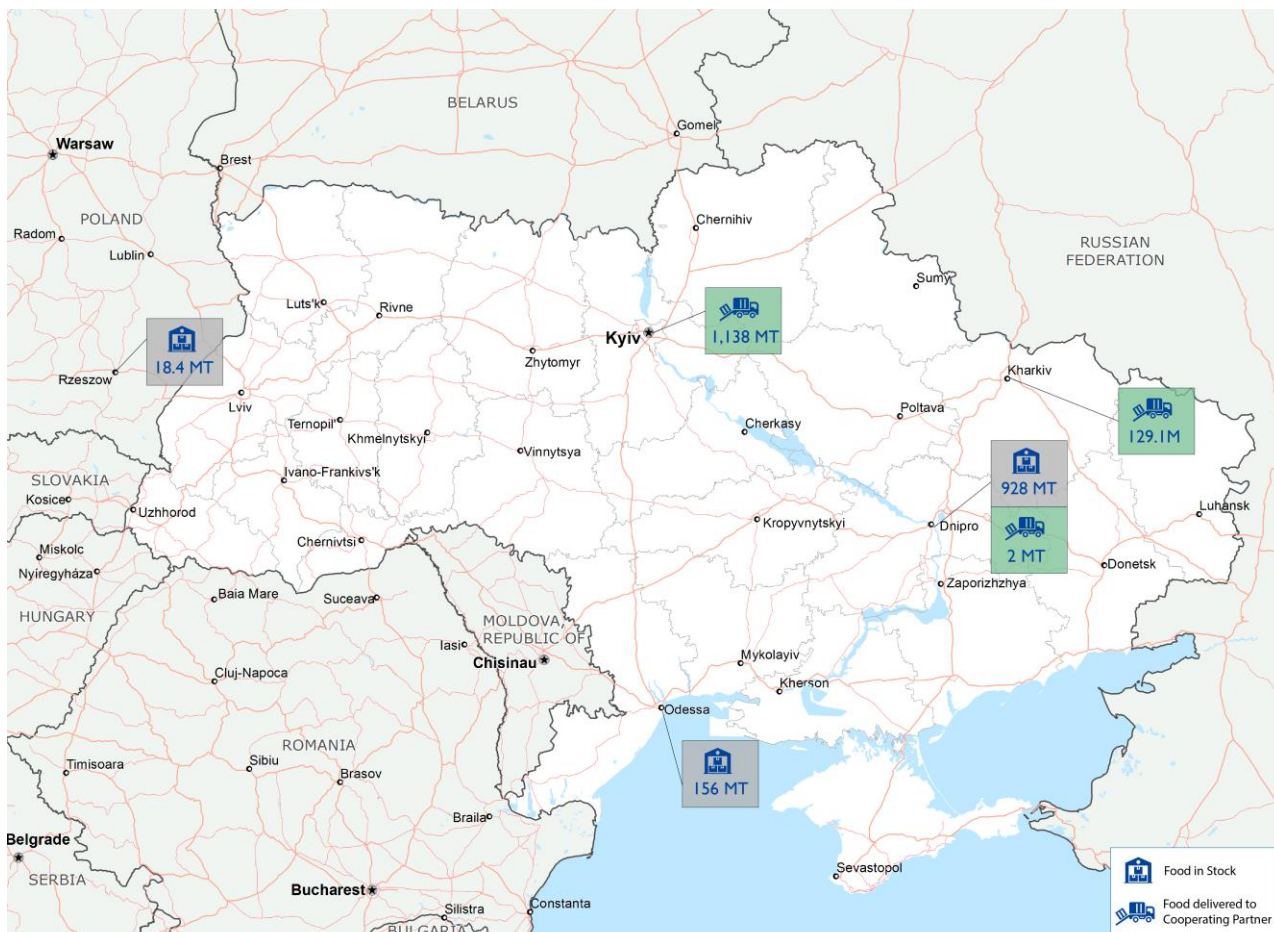
WFP continues to establish a regional, agile supply chain network in Ukraine and neighbouring countries to support the delivery of relief to all those affected.

Around 91 percent of WFP pipeline of food aid for Ukraine is either distributed to cooperating partners, stored, in transit or expected to be delivered to the country over the coming few days. Over 83 percent of these food supplies to Ukraine have been procured locally in the country. Also, WFP has a dedicated fleet of 35 trucks currently operational in Poland and Ukraine.

Dnipro received a total of 408 mt of canned meat from Gdansk and Jaroslav, Poland; some 300 mt of various dry food from Turkey (200 mt via Poland and 100 mt via Romania); and 118 mt of canned ravioli from Germany. The fifth cargo flight carrying a total of 47 mt of High-Energy Biscuits arrived at Katowice airport in Poland, concluding the arrival of the 250 mt of HEBs. Cargo will now be consolidated and dispatched via rail directly to Dnipro.

Some 18.4 mt of infant cereal from Brussels, Belgium arrived in Warsaw, Poland and is scheduled to depart to Lviv, Ukraine in the coming few days.

WFP Food Supplies inside Ukraine (22 March 2022)*



* In addition, around 1000 mt of several food commodities are in transit and close to 12,100 mt are pending supplier delivery inside Ukraine

Funding Outlook



To meet increasing needs, WFP requires a total of USD 590 million to scale up its emergency response to the Ukraine crisis through June 2022, with USD 541 million needed for humanitarian assistance inside Ukraine and USD 49 million for activities in neighbouring countries.

Swift confirmation of contributions is of critical importance to enable WFP to mobilize timely assistance to affected people amidst a volatile security situation.

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WFP Warehouses



Four warehouses secured in Ukraine: Chernivtsi, Dnipro, Kyiv and Lviv (total of 9,000 m²)

Three warehouses secured in Poland: Warsaw/ Blonie, Lublin and Rzeszow (total of 20,000 m²)

One warehouse secured in Romania: Bucharest (capacity on demand).

One warehouse secured in Moldova: Chisinau (2,000 m²)

Emergency Telecommunications Cluster



A Telecommunications Specialist from WFP's Fast IT & Telecommunications Support Team (FITTEST) is currently in Lviv to conduct further assessments in preparation for the establishment of interagency security communications in the city. Throughout a week-long mission, an assessment of the ICT and security communications needs will also be conducted in Vinnytsia.



Photo Caption: People fleeing the conflict in Ukraine waiting to cross the Ukraine-Moldova border checkpoint near the town of Palanca © WFP/Giulio d'Adamo