

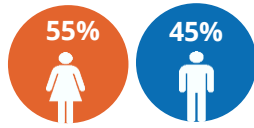


WFP Syria Situation Report #11 November 2022



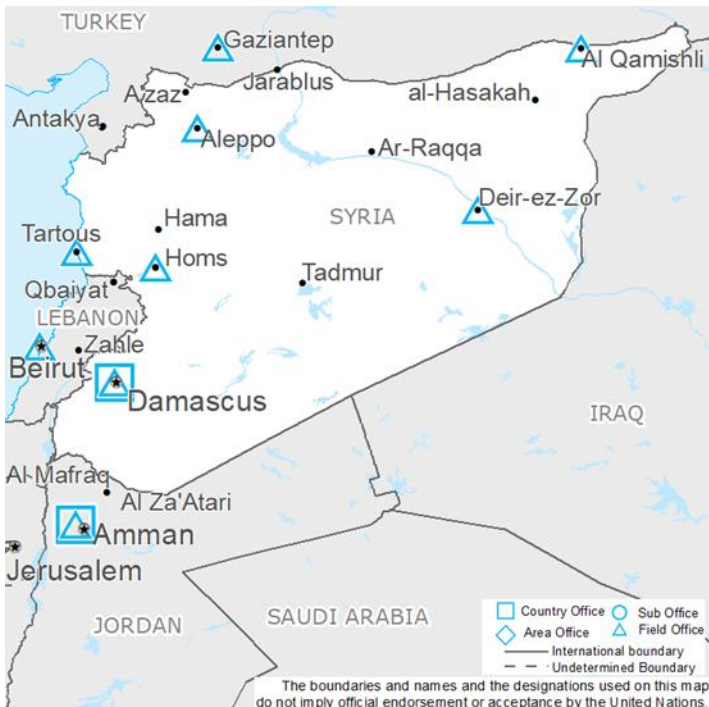
5.7 million people assisted*

November 2022 (based on dispatches)



WFP Syria Interim Country Strategic Plan (ICSP)

2022 Syrian Arab Republic Humanitarian Response Plan	Overall requirement: US\$ 4.2 billion
	WFP share: US\$ 1.37 billion
WFP 6-Month Net Funding Requirement (December 2022 – May 2023) WFP Syria 2022-2023 Interim Country Strategic Plan (November 2021)	US\$ 784.4 m



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In Numbers

12 million people food insecure

2.5 million severely food insecure

6.8 million people internally displaced

Highlights

- WFP dispatched humanitarian assistance sufficient for an estimated 5.7 million people across all activities in Syria in November.
- By October of 2022, the national average price of a WFP reference food basket reached a new record high of SYP 357,593 (≈USD 118), up 52 percent since the onset of the crisis in Ukraine in February. Three years ago, October 2019, SYP 25,000, nearly one-fifteenth of the October 2022 cost, bought the same standard food basket.
- On 26 November, WFP completed the November round of cross-line distributions of food and nutrition items, reaching some 38,300 beneficiaries in 54 locations in opposition-controlled areas of north-western Syria.

Situation Update

Economic situation

- In October, the monthly average price of WFP's standard reference food basket increased by 8.5 percent compared to September 2022, reaching SYP 357,593 (≈USD 118 at the official exchange rate of SYP 3,015/USD), according to the latest [WFP Syria Market Price Watch Bulletin](#).
- The cost of the basket was 52 percent dearer than seven months ago (start of Ukraine Crisis) and 91 percent more than the same time last year. Three years ago, October 2019, SYP 25,000, nearly one-fifteenth of the October 2022 cost, bought the same standard food basket.

Crossline Deliveries to North-west Syria

- The ninth cross-line convoy was completed on 30 November, going from government-controlled Aleppo city to opposition-controlled Sarmada city in north-western Syria. The convoy carried food rations and nutrition items to enable WFP to reach its monthly target. It also carried humanitarian assistance for other UN agencies.
- On 26 November, WFP completed distributions of November round, reaching some 38,300 beneficiaries in 54 locations, in addition to supplementary nutritious food for around 1,900 children under two years old, in non-government-controlled areas of north-western Syria.

* Number are subject to change as November dispatch cycle has been extended to reach all beneficiaries.

WFP Goodwill Ambassador visit to Aleppo

- Following the visit of WFP Goodwill Ambassador George Strombolopolous to Aleppo city in September, which aimed at engendering support for the advocacy and fundraising of WFP's operations in Syria, a media campaign was launched on 12 November. Content gathered during the mission has been published on WFP and the Goodwill Ambassador's social media channels: [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), and [Twitter](#).

North-Western Syria

- The Regional Humanitarian Coordinator for the Syria Crisis and the UN Resident and Humanitarian Coordinator ad interim in Syria released a [joint statement](#), expressing deep concern about the escalation in hostilities and urging all parties to act with restraint, and to prioritize measures safeguarding the safety and security of civilians and civilian infrastructure.
- In November 2022, more than 18,000 displacements were recorded in north-west Syria, with departures principally occurring from Dana, Afrin, and Salqin sub-districts, according to the Camp Coordination and Camp Management (CCCM) cluster. The main locations where displaced people arrived to included Afrin, and Salqin sub-districts. Reasons for new displacements were reported to be loss of income, reduced access to shelter/raise of rents, and reduced access to humanitarian assistance. As of November 2022, 2.58 million people remain displaced in north-western Syria.

Vulnerability Needs Review (VNR) exercise:

- Data collection for WFP's VNR exercise was completed in September 2022. The results of the interviews with 1.2 million households will allow WFP to better target its assistance packages to all households through enhanced information collected on food insecurity and vulnerability criteria enabling a more discerned, accurate and purposeful selection of beneficiaries. WFP is currently in discussion with various stakeholders to implement the VNR results in 2023.

North-Eastern Syria

- On 2 November, a WFP monitoring team on mission to Areesh camp met with local council leaders who thanked WFP for the food assistance to the camp. The leaders raised concerns about increased malnutrition cases in the camp, a lack of health facilities, and disruptions to the delivery of women's hygiene kits services.
- On 30 November; heavy rains caused significant damage to areas of agricultural fields. The Director of Agriculture and Agrarian Reform stated that the heavy rains reached about 23 mm in some areas, which led to floods and

torrents and caused significant damage to some areas planted with wheat, barley, and winter vegetables.

Southern Syria

- The security situation in Dar'a Al-Balad, Dar'a governorate, calmed down relatively following the military operation by local forces against alleged Islamic State (IS) members. As of 21 November, WFP resumed its monitoring activities in Dar'a al-Balad through its third-party monitors. WFP, in coordination with its partners in the area, will continue to closely monitor the security situation. Additionally, Tishreen bakery, which was rehabilitated by WFP, returned to its full operational capacity on 16 November after a 15-day closure due to insecurity in the area.

WFP Operations

- WFP dispatched food and nutrition assistance sufficient for an estimated 5.7 million people across all activities in Syria in November. Additionally, US\$ 4.1 million in cash-based transfers (CBT) was distributed to some 230,300 WFP beneficiaries.

General Food Assistance (GFA) Programme

- In November, WFP distributed GFA sufficient for some 5.4 million people across all 14 Syrian governorates including food delivered through the cross-border operation from Türkiye to areas of Idlib and western rural Aleppo governorates not accessible from inside Syria.
- The November dispatch cycle was extended into December to reach all beneficiaries in Qamishli.

Livelihoods, Resilience and Social Safety Nets

- WFP reached some 6,300 people under its livelihoods, resilience, and social safety-nets-projects by providing the agricultural inputs composed of hybrid seeds of fodder maize, and high-quality fertilizers, as well as support with technical on-field guidance on best cultivation and irrigation practices of fodder maize crop.

School Meals Programme

- In November, WFP reached some 451,200 children with fortified date bars in some 1,859 schools across the country.
- WFP also supported more than 18,400 out of school children with food vouchers in Al Hasakeh, Aleppo, Damascus, Dar'a, Deir Ezzor, Hama, Homs, Lattakia, Quneitra, Rural Damascus, Raqqqa and Tartous governorates.
- The fresh meals programme reached more than 54,600 children in schools of Aleppo and Rural Damascus, in addition to some 500 children in social care centres.

Nutrition Programme

- WFP dispatched nutrition products for the prevention and treatment of acute malnutrition and micronutrient

deficiencies, reaching some 192,400 children (6-23 months old) and Pregnant and Lactating Women and Girls (PLWG). This includes more than 58,000 PLWG who received CBT to purchase fresh food from WFP-contracted shops.

- WFP dispatched nutrition products for the treatment of moderate acute malnutrition for more than 13,700 children and PLWG for one month.

Clusters and Common Services

Food Security Sector

- The Food Security Sector reached 7 million people with regular food baskets and another 3 million people with bread and flour distribution in October. In addition, some 101,900 people were reached with emergency response through ready-to-eat rations, cooked meals, and emergency food baskets. Cumulatively, at least 1.68 million beneficiaries have been reached with livelihoods interventions since the beginning of the year across various activities with support provided to enhance self-reliance of affected households by protecting and building productive assets and restoring or creating income generating opportunities to save and sustain lives.

Logistics Cluster

- Facilitating the cross-border operation from Türkiye, the WFP-led Logistics Cluster transhipped 812 Syrian trucks carrying 18,142 mt of humanitarian relief items from Türkiye in November through the Bab al-Hawa border crossing.
- The Logistics Cluster provided storage services for WHO in the common storage facility in Qamishly, with a total of 240.5 m3 of health supplies.

Emergency Telecommunications Cluster (ETC)

- The ETC installed and operationalized a solar power system to provide reliable power to connectivity services

in the UN hub in Aleppo during a mission from 7-15 November.

- The ETC installed satellite docking stations in UNDSS Security Operations Centres (SOC) in Aleppo, Damascus, and Deir Ez-Zor upon approval from authorities.
- The ETC installed very high frequency (VHF) radios in four newly arrived UNDSS armoured vehicles and programmed 20 new VHF handheld radios that will be distributed to all UNDSS SOC staff in Syria.

United Nations Humanitarian Air Service (UNHAS)

- In November, UNHAS Syria completed 16 flights on its two routes from Damascus to Qamishli and Aleppo, transporting 503 passengers and 1.27 mt of light cargo.
- The UNHAS flight from Damascus to Qamishly on 27 November was cancelled due to high security risk level following a rocket/missile attack that impacted the immediate vicinity of the Qamishli airport.

Resourcing Update

- WFP requires US\$ 784.4 million through May 2023 to implement the Interim Country Strategic Plan (ICSP) for Syria.

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WFP Syria Interim Country Strategic Plan (2022-2023)					
	2022 Requirement (in US\$)	6-Month Net Funding Requirement (December 2022 – May 2023)	People Assisted (November 2022 dispatches)	Female	Male
ICSP (January 2019 – December 2021)	1.37 billion	784.4 million			
Activity 1: General Food Assistance			5,545,166	2,829,698	2,715,468
Activity 2: School Feeding			535,226	262,261	272,965
Activity 3: Livelihoods and Resilience			6,314	3,222	3,092
Activity 4: Prevention of Acute Malnutrition			250,460	156,179	94,281
Activity 5: Treatment of Moderate Acute Malnutrition			13,740	7,488	6,252