



WFP Yemen | 16 March 2025

SITUATION REPORT #2

Yemen interim country strategic plan (2023–2025)



Hamamah (50) prepares bread using WFP flour at her home in Salah, Ta'izz governorate, February 2025. Photo © WFP/Imed Basha

**2.2 million**
people assisted
February 2024

**10,400 mt**
food distributed

**US\$ 6.6 million**
cash provided

HIGHLIGHTS:

- The food security situation remains critical in Yemen, with WFP data showing that nearly two-thirds of households nationwide remain unable to obtain their minimum food needs.
- WFP’s nutrition activities face severe funding shortfalls, with significant impacts on already vulnerable groups. An additional 360,000 pregnant and breastfeeding women and girls will be cut off from life-saving moderate acute malnutrition management support as of April.
- WFP has reduced United Nations Humanitarian Air Service (UNHAS) flight services to Yemen due to funding shortfalls.
- A Food Security and Livelihoods Assessment is underway in internationally recognized Government of Yemen-controlled areas.

ACTIVITY	PEOPLE ASSISTED
Emergency food assistance	1,530,000
Nutrition assistance	534,700
School feeding	834,300
Resilience and livelihoods	74,400

WFP RESOURCES

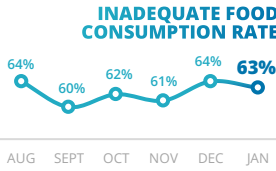
FUNDING GAP NEXT SIX MONTHS: **77%**
April – September 2025

NET FUNDING REQUIREMENT NEXT SIX MONTHS: **US\$ 549 m**
April – September 2025

SITUATION UPDATE

Food Security Situation:

- The latest WFP food security monitoring [data](#) show that 63 percent of surveyed households were unable to obtain their minimum food needs in January.
- While this represents a slight improvement month-on-month, the situation represents a 21 percent year-on-year increase in inadequate food consumption rates.
- The key drivers of the deterioration are economic instability, humanitarian assistance gaps caused by funding shortages (particularly impacting areas under the Sana’a-based authorities, SBA), limited income-generating activities, and localized conflict.



Food Security and Livelihoods Assessment:

- In areas under the internationally recognized Government of Yemen (IRG), the 2025 Food Security and Livelihoods Assessment (FSLA) is underway, and data collection was completed in early March.
- The FSLA outcomes will feed into a new (partial) Integrated Food Security Phase Classification (IPC) acute food insecurity analysis that covers IRG areas.

WFP ACTIVITIES

WFP assisted an estimated 2.2 million people across its activities in Yemen in February.^{1,2}

Emergency food assistance:

- WFP provided food assistance to approximately 1.5 million people in February:

	Food	Cash	Total
North Operational area (SBA)	496,580	0	496,580
South Operational area (IRG)	272,603	760,767	1,033,370
Total:	770,590	760,767	1,529,950

¹ As instructed by the UN Secretary-General on 10 February, all UN activities remain paused in Sa'dah governorate.

- In SBA areas, the second cycle of the targeted emergency food assistance (TEFA) of 2025 started in February, targeting 2.8 million people.
- In IRG areas, WFP in February continued distributions under the first food assistance cycle of 2025, and started the second cycle, assisting 3 million people.

Nutrition assistance:

- WFP assisted 534,700 children and pregnant and breastfeeding women and girls (PBWG) under its nutrition activities in February:³

	Children	PBWG	Total
Management of moderate acute malnutrition (MAM)	171,740	189,072	360,812
Prevention of acute malnutrition	90,450	83,421	173,871
Total:	262,200	272,500	534,683

IMPACT OF FUNDING SHORTFALLS - NUTRITION:

Due to continued funding shortfalls, WFP's nutrition activities in Yemen are being scaled down significantly: WFP's malnutrition prevention programme operates at reduced levels, which affect 654,000 children and PBWG, 80 percent of the 2025 plan. WFP's MAM management programme (which has already been significantly scaled down due to resource constraints) faces further reductions due to funding shortfalls, with up to 360,000 PBWG cut off from life-saving assistance as of April.

School feeding:

- WFP assisted 834,300 schoolchildren in 1,965 schools under its school feeding programme in February.
- Under its Healthy Kitchens project, WFP in February provided fresh meals to 53,300 children in 88 schools in five governorates.



IMPACT OF FUNDING SHORTFALLS - SCHOOL FEEDING:

Due to funding shortfalls, WFP covers only approximately one million schoolchildren out of the originally planned 2 million nationwide for the 2024-2025 school year.

Resilience and livelihoods:

- WFP supported 74,400 people under its resilience and livelihoods programme in February, transferring US\$ 800,000 in cash-based transfers to participants.

- Participants worked on 91 assets, including rural road rehabilitation, water harvesting, and agricultural projects in six governorates.

CLUSTERS & COMMON SERVICES

UN Humanitarian Air Service (UNHAS):

- The WFP-managed UN Humanitarian Air Service (UNHAS), operated 81 flights in February, carrying 1,225 passengers from 19 UN agencies and 61 non-governmental organizations.



80 organisations
utilized UNHAS services

IMPACT OF FUNDING SHORTFALLS - UNHAS:

UNHAS Yemen faces critical funding shortfalls. To stretch limited resources, WFP discontinued UNHAS Yemen flight services for Addis Ababa and increased ticket fees as of 01 March.

Logistics Cluster:

- The WFP-led Logistics Cluster supported 75 partners in February through coordination, information management, and capacity building programmes.

Emergency Telecommunications Cluster

- The WFP-led ETC supported 49 partner organizations in February, providing critical data connectivity to more than 1,400 humanitarian workers as well as UN security communications services to 2,400 responders.

On-demand services:

- WFP delivered 1.7 m litres of imported fuel to INGOs in February, to facilitate services in supported Health and Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH) facilities.
- 30,500 litres of locally sourced diesel and petrol were provided by WFP to other United Nations agencies and INGOs to sustain their humanitarian activities.
- 272 m³ of medical supplies were transported to Aden and Al Hodeidah port on behalf of one partner, and 714 m³ of non-food items were in the WFP sea shipment pipeline on behalf of four partners.



1.7 m litres
of fuel provided to partners

TARGETING & REGISTRATION

Beneficiary targeting and prioritization



Faced with limited resources and to strengthen assurance measures, WFP is conducting a beneficiary re-targeting and registration exercise in Yemen.

In SBA areas, WFP has finalized negotiations with the authorities for the roll-out of the full exercise.

In IRG areas, the prioritization phase is ongoing, and WFP is piloting a new community-based prioritization approach in Ta'iz governorate.

MONITORING

WFP Research, Assessment and Monitoring (RAM)



WFP and its third-party monitoring partners conducted 1,000 on-site monitoring visits in February, covering all implemented activities.

Through its Beneficiary Verification Mechanism, WFP conducted 3,400 outgoing phone calls to verify assistance provision, confirm deliveries to distribution points, and to collect food security data.

WFP received 31,900 incoming phone calls to its Community Feedback Mechanism, which provides a channel for beneficiaries to interface directly with WFP.