

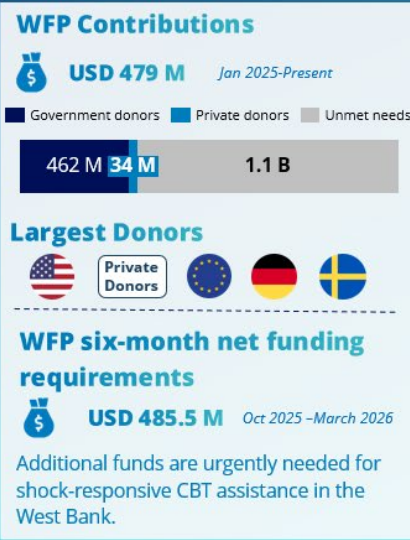
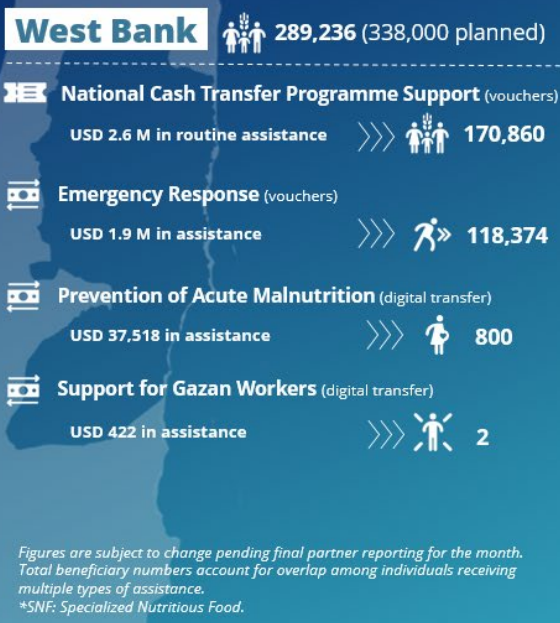
WFP PALESTINE EMERGENCY RESPONSE
External Situation Report 69

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HIGHLIGHTS

- Following the entry into force of the ceasefire in Gaza on 10 October, WFP is scaling to reach up to 1.6 million people (about 320,000 families) with urgently needed food supplies.
- Beyond food delivery, WFP is scaling up humanitarian assistance across the Food Security, Logistics and Emergency Telecommunications Clusters.
- For the first time in months, cooking fuel and food parcels have reached some families in the south of Gaza; access to the north remains extremely difficult. It is now critical that the ceasefire sustains to ensure that Gaza's desperate population is able to access the goods and services they urgently need.

OCTOBER IN NUMBERS *Reporting period 1-12 October 2025* PALESTINE 337,922 beneficiaries (1.5 million planned)



SITUATION UPDATE

- After two years of war in Gaza, a U.S.-brokered ceasefire between Israel and Hamas came into effect on 10 October 2025.** As per the first phase of the agreement, aimed at halting hostilities and enabling aid access, Hamas released 20 Israeli captives in exchange for approximately 2,000 Palestinian prisoners. Major military operations have paused, with reports of partial Israeli withdrawals, though the situation remains fragile.
- Following the announcement of the ceasefire, **large-scale population movements have been observed across Gaza** as families attempt to return home after months of displacement. According to the Camp Coordination and Camp Management (CCCM) Cluster's population [movement monitoring](#), over 300,000 people have moved from south to north since 10 October.
- An additional 22,000 movements were recorded within Khan Younis, in the south, reflecting relocations eastward or returns from coastal zones. This represents a notable shift from previous months of continuous southward displacement.
- Humanitarian needs across Gaza remain critical and largely unmet.** Access to northern areas is still extremely limited, leaving thousands without consistent aid or essential services. Malnutrition levels are alarmingly high, particularly among children, and the health system continues to operate under severe strain.
- While some assistance is entering, only two crossings - Karam Abu Salem/Kerem Shalom (KAS/KS) and Kissufim - are open.** Fuel and aid deliveries must be significantly scaled up to meet urgent needs. People across Gaza continue to face acute shortages of food, clean water, shelter, and basic healthcare, underscoring the fragility of the current humanitarian situation despite the pause in hostilities.

PROGRAMME UPDATE (1-12 October)



General Food Assistance in Gaza

- While General Food Assistance (GFA) in Gaza could not yet fully resume through regular distribution channels due to insecurity and access constraints, **WFP supported bakery operations, along with limited nutrition supplies. WFP also transported limited GFA cargo to warehouses in Khan Younis and Deir al Balah for onward distribution by partners, marking the first successful delivery for the GFA programme since July.**
- Bakery Operations:** Since resuming bread production on 4 October, **WFP has reactivated nine bakeries** in Deir al-Balah and Khan Younis, supplying them with flour, sugar, yeast, and fuel. **An average of 100,000 bread bundles are produced daily** and distributed through WFP partners at over 230 sites, or sold at a subsidized price of ILS 3 (USD 0.79) per 2-kg bundle via 22 contracted retailers. **Bakeries are operating at full capacity, but increased flour supplies are needed to support the scale-up.** Initial monitoring indicates that distributions were well received, ensuring dignified delivery and compliance with fixed prices. Minor challenges were observed, including packaging and storage gaps at partner sites and crowd management issues at some retailers, but overall, operations reflect a positive and effective resumption.



Malnutrition Assistance in Gaza

- WFP successfully transported critical nutrition supplies to support the scale-up of malnutrition prevention and treatment activities.** Deliveries were safely completed to six cooperating partners. To date, 148 prevention sites and 86 treatment sites are operational, with further expansion planned. In October, WFP has reached 23,000 people with nutritional support and treated 1,200 pregnant and breastfeeding women suffering from malnutrition, reflecting steady progress.



Digital Payments in Gaza

- In October to date, **WFP reached nearly 24,500 people as part of the second round of e-wallet assistance, with the aim of supporting a total of 150,000 people in this round.** Assistance continues to prioritize households with limited access to in-kind food and families in or displaced from the north, with each household receiving ILS 1,250 (USD 372) per month to cover basic needs.



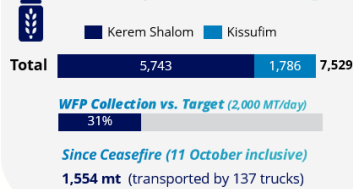
SUPPLY CHAIN

- Since the 10 October ceasefire**, Israeli authorities have indicated that **WFP may deliver up to 100 trucks per day**, five days a week, into Gaza. On 12 October, WFP offloaded 38 trucks out of 72 submitted to manifest; Israeli authorities returned 33 trucks from the Egypt corridor without a clear explanation.
- Between 1 and 12 October, **WFP offloaded 221 trucks** (nearly 4,436 mt of food) at **crossing platforms** via the various corridors.

- During the same period, **569 WFP trucks**, carrying 7,529 mt of food aid **were collected inside Gaza from the crossings.** Of these, **168 trucks delivering 2,137 mt reached their final destinations**, supplying bakeries, partners and warehouses. (see infographic below)

TOTAL AID BROUGHT INSIDE GAZA BETWEEN 1-12 OCTOBER

Number of metric tonnes of food collected by WFP from crossings



Number of pallets collected by Logistics Cluster* from crossings



CLUSTERS AND COMMON SERVICES



Food Security Sector (FSS)

- As of 11 October, partners delivered 954,000 daily meals through 177 kitchens across the Strip.** In preparation for scaling up food assistance following the ceasefire, partners are strengthening distribution and storage capacity, establishing back-up teams, and identifying additional partners and distribution points across Gaza. **However, NGO registration challenges continue to hinder large-scale operations and the entry of food items.**
- No food aid convoys have directly entered northern Gaza since the closure of Zikim on 12 September.** Urgent large-scale food deliveries are needed as hundreds of thousands return to areas devastated by destruction. **Since 12 October, limited quantities of cooking gas have entered Gaza for the first time in seven months.**



Logistics Cluster (LC)

- Between 1 and 12 October, 671 trucks of 14 partners were submitted for Israeli authorities' approval, 477 offloaded in Gaza. From Jordan, at the request of three partners, the Cluster facilitated three Back-to-Back (B2B) convoys for three partners; 25 of the total trucks offloaded at KS.
- On 12 October, the first day of upstream truck dispatch post-ceasefire, 131 trucks offloaded against the indicated 250 daily plan.
- Between 1 and 12 October, the Cluster, at the request of two partners, collected 382 pallets of shelter items from KS entry point.
- Ongoing restrictions limit which partners can send cargo and what items are permitted. All items require case-by-case pre-approval, with frequent rejections. Bureaucratic hurdles continue to obstruct the facilitation of consistent humanitarian aid at scale.
- Government-to-Government (G2G) convoys on the Jordan route have still not resumed.

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