



WFP South Sudan

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Highlights

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Situation Update

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- **In Tambura, Western Equatoria State, a further deterioration in the security situation has led to the disruption of humanitarian operations and interruption of assistance** for some 25,000 beneficiaries of WFP programmes including the IDP response, Food Assistance for Assets and School Feeding. WFP plans to support 6,000 IDPs displaced as a result of the violence, however, this assistance is on hold due to the insecurity and more IDPs are expected to be displaced in the coming days.
- **Persistent formal and informal armed group activities have caused additional insecurity along WFP's main supply routes in Central and Eastern Equatoria** connected to Juba, which includes two attacks on WFP vehicles on the Torit - Lafon road. Increased insecurity along the Juba - Nimule road, in particular, has increased anxiety among commercial and humanitarian transporters, with some requesting withdrawal of services until security can be guaranteed.
- **There has been a resumption and escalation of violence in Tonj East and Tonj North, Northern Bahr el Ghazal** between the Luachjang of Tonj East and adversaries in Tonj East and Tonj North. If violence continues, it could have a devastating impact on food security in the area, prevent WFP from accessing vulnerable food insecure communities, and present a risk to humanitarian assets and pre-positioned commodities.
- **To date in 2021, more than 115,000 people have been affected by flooding in 11 counties across South Sudan.** WFP plans to support 83,400 flood-affected people and teams are on the ground in Ayod conducting verification and biometric registration.

Photo: WFP conducts verification and biometric registrations for flood-affected communities in Ayod County (WFP/ Eulalia Berlanga)

In The Numbers

3.9 million people WFP plans to assist in August 2021

7.24 million people facing acute food insecurity from April to July 2021.

Of this, **108,000 in IPC 5**, 2.4 million in IPC 4, and 4.6 million in IPC 3 ([IPC](#))

1.9 million acutely malnourished women and children ([IPC](#))

1.62 million internally displaced people ([OCHA](#))

2.27 million South Sudanese refugees ([UNHCR](#))

USD 1.5 billion Global Humanitarian Funding Requirement 2021 (USD 671 million for WFP)

USD 334.3 million WFP six month net funding requirement from September 2021 to February 2022

Projection: Acute Food Insecurity | April - July 2021



7.2 million people or 60% of the people analysed will likely face high levels of acute food insecurity (IPC Phase 3 or above) from April to July 2021.



WFP Response



Food and Nutrition Assistance

- In August, WFP is targeting **3.9 million** individuals in 79 counties, **2.7 million** through WFP's emergency response, **1.1 million** individuals with nutrition commodities, and **1 million** people with assistance through WFP's safety nets and resilience programmes.
- In the six IPC 5 counties, July distributions have been completed in 5 of the 6 counties, reaching **304,333 people** and 83% achievement. In Pibor, July and August double distributions are still ongoing and **598 mt** of food has been airlifted or airdropped in Gumuruk. August distributions have been completed in one county (Aweil South) and are ongoing in the remaining counties. To date in August, **255,611 people** have been reached, representing 66% achievement.
- In IPC 4 counties, July and August distributions are ongoing, having reached **70,249 people** (25% achievement) and **59,391 people** (21% achievement) to date, respectively. Delays in Duk are due to reliance on airlifts to bring in commodities and a lack of dry drop zones.
- Refugee Response distributions for August have been completed in Gendrasa and Doro camps, and are ongoing in Kaya and Batil camps. To date, **100,536 people** have received assistance through the provision of food and cash.
- In Bentiu, WFP and humanitarian partners have advocated against the creation of a new IDP camp and instead offered to provide assistance to those vulnerable in the already established IDP camp and on higher ground.



Safety Nets and Resilience

- **Through the Smallholder Agriculture Market Support (SAMS)** programme, WFP paid out over USD 147,00 to smallholder farmers through two aggregators participating in pro-smallholder procurement. The aggregators procured maize directly from 3,009 smallholder farmers in Magwi, Eastern Equatoria State and Yambio, Western Equatoria State. In Yambio, Kush Bank provides advance financing, paying the smallholder farmers directly once quality is ascertained by the warehouse managers and Kush Bank representatives.
- Through the **Food Assistance for Assets (FFA) programme in IPC 5 locations, WFP and partners supported 55,220 people** in August, 305.55 mt of food and cash (SSP 45,066,410) in Aweil South, Akobo West, Tonj-South and Tonj North as part of their FFA entitlements.
- Through the **Pastoral FFA programme**, WFP in collaboration with Norwegian People's Aid (NPA), mapped 67 cattle camps in Rumbek East, Awerial, Terekeka and Kapoeta North counties. 23 camps have been prioritized for the Pastoral FFA pilot project and a headcount of the population is being conducted to determine the number of beneficiaries. Following completion of community based participatory planning

(CBPP) sessions, asset creation plans are being finalized. So far, the majority of camps have prioritized infrastructure to improve security and living conditions within the camps, including fencing, improved shelters, vegetable gardens, and multi-purpose ponds.

- Since the **Back to Learning Campaign** started in July, 33 of the 61 counties have been reached through activities and key messaging on the importance of education and the need for parents to send their children to school. The campaign has been conducted in collaboration with WFP, the Ministry of General Education, teachers, parents, children and other stakeholders.



Supply Chain

- In total, WFP plans to transport **370,000 mt** of food in 2021. To date, **253,503 mt** of food has been sourced in or brought into South Sudan, representing 68.5 percent of the yearly requirements.
- The primary mode of delivery in August is by road (65 percent) followed by river (25 percent) and air (10 percent).



Logistics Cluster

- During the reporting period, the Logistics Cluster transported a total of **142 mt** of Non-Food Items (NFIs) of cargo by road and air transport modalities to 27 locations on behalf of 21 organizations.
- The Logistics Cluster coordinated two road convoys from Juba to destinations along the Western Corridor and the Western Equatorials, carrying approximately 427 mt of humanitarian cargo on behalf 4 organizations.
- The cluster dispatched a convoy of two boats and a single barge out of Bor carrying a total of **365 mt** of Non-Food Items (NFIs) on behalf of 22 Organisations to multiple locations along the white Nile, Sobat river and Bahr Az Zeraf.
- The latest Physical Access Constraints map, updated and shared with partners on a weekly basis, is available [here](#).



UN Humanitarian Air Service (UNHAS)

- UNHAS transported **2,475** passengers and **137 mt** of light humanitarian cargo to 53 destinations across South Sudan.
- UNHAS performed **2** medical evacuations on behalf of two organizations from Kuajok and Wau to Juba.
- UNHAS performed **2** security relocation with 22 passengers from Mogok, Nagero and Tambura to Juba
- UNHAS performed **one** ICWG mission transporting 11 passengers from Juba to Rubkona and back to Juba.

In Focus: WFP Supports Flood Affected communities in Ayod

Devastating floods are affecting thousands of people across South Sudan in 2021. In Jonglei State alone, already around 18,000 people have been displaced this year and many more have lost their houses and livelihoods.

Following reports received from local authorities that around 30,000 people had recently arrived to Ayod town displaced by the floods, WFP deployed a Rapid Response Mechanism (RRM) team to quantify how many people are in need of assistance. The team is still on the ground conducting the SCOPE registration and WFP is ready to distribute food assistance to those in need. Nutrition supplies have already been provided to children under five.



Photo: Biometric registrations are ongoing in Ayod Town (WFP/ Eulalia Berlanga)



Photo: MUAC (Mid-Upper Arm Circumference) nutrition assessment measurements (WFP/ Eulalia Berlanga)

WFP Interim Country Strategic Plan

	Total Requirements (millions In USD)	Allocated Contributions (millions in USD) *	6 Months Net Funding Requirements Sept 2021 to Feb 2022 (millions in USD)	People Assisted (July 2021)	Female	Male
ICSP TOTAL (2018-2021)	3,885.3	2,405.2	334.3	2,084,537	1,209,031	875,506
Activity 1: Provide nutrition-sensitive food assistance to crisis-affected populations	2,181.1	1,119.7	227.8	1,316,125	763,353	552,773
Activity 2: Provide food and nutrition assistance to refugees	477.5	109.5	42.2	167,272	97,018	70,254
Activity 3: Provide nutrition assistance to populations at risk of malnutrition	548.7	240.5	46.7	192,432	111,611	80,821
Activity 4: Provide livelihood support and build resilience of rural households	275.4	115.3	0.0	408,708	237,051	171,657
Activity 5: Operate air services for the humanitarian community	208.3	181.1	10.2	N/A	N/A	N/A
Activity 6: Coordinate the Logistics Cluster in support of the humanitarian community	97.6	93.4	0.0	N/A	N/A	N/A
Activity 7: Supply Chain provision	21.4	11.0	2.4	N/A	N/A	N/A
Activity 8: Inter-Agency IT Communication Service	9.6	7.7	0.8	N/A	N/A	N/A
Activity 9: SCOPE Service to humanitarian partners	53.9	17.8	4.2	N/A	N/A	N/A
Activity 10: Provision of IT services to the humanitarian community	1.3	0	0.0	N/A	N/A	N/A
Activity 11: Provision of infrastructure development services for humanitarian access and community	10.5	10.7	0.0	N/A	N/A	N/A
Non Activity Specific funding		398.2				

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