



# WFP Yemen Situation Report #4

April 2019

## In Numbers

**24.1** million people in need of humanitarian assistance\*

**3.3** million people internally displaced

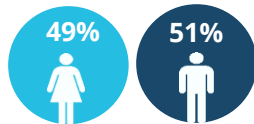
**20.1** million people are food insecure

\*According to the 2019 Humanitarian Response Plan (HRP)

## Highlights

- WFP distributed food assistance to 10.2 million people in April.
- WFP Yemen is facing a shortfall of USD 685.2 million for the next six months (June – November 2019).
- On 15 April, during the UN Security Council session on Yemen, it was announced that detailed plans on the initial deployment of forces from Hudaydah had been agreed.

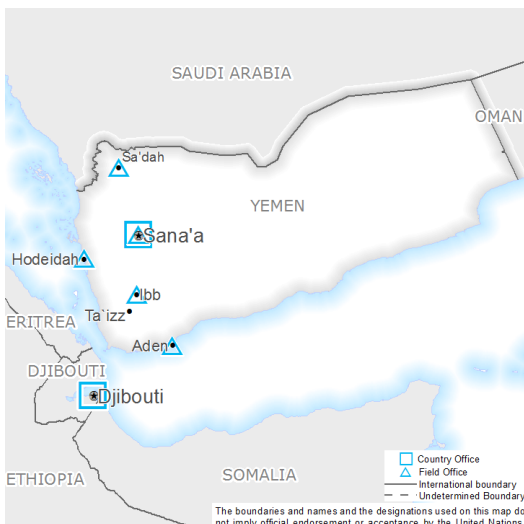
**10.2 million people assisted**  
April 2019



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| <b>Global Humanitarian Funding</b>                               | <b>Overall:</b><br>USD 4.2 billion   |
|  | <b>WFP share:</b><br>USD 2.3 billion |
| <b>WFP Net Funding Requirements</b><br>(May 2019 – October 2019) |                                      |
| <b>Interim Country Strategic Plan (ICSP)</b>                     | <b>USD 685.2 million</b>             |

## Situation Update (including security)

- WFP continues to negotiate on regaining access to the Red Sea Mills in Hudaydah, which contained some 51,000 mt of WFP wheat – enough to feed 3.7 million people for one month. An assessment mission scheduled for 02 April was cancelled due to security concerns and a subsequent attempt is scheduled for 5 May. Based on estimates from late February, up to 70 percent of the wheat should be salvageable after it is fumigated and milled. However, but it is expected to decline as delays continue.
- On 15 April, the UN Security Council (UNSC) convened on Yemen. UN Special Envoy to Yemen stated that the Internationally Recognized Government of Yemen (IRG) and the de-facto authorities had reached agreement and outlined detailed plans on the initial redeployment of forces from Hudaydah, with support from General Lollesgaard, the head of the UN Mission in Hudaydah (UNMHA).
- Fuel shortages across de-facto authorities controlled areas were witnessed through most of April as commercial fuel tankers were refused entry to Hudaydah port. The price of fuel soared to USD 20-30 per one jerry can on the black market and mile-long queues occurred in major cities. Shortages started to subside around the third week of April when fuel vessels were granted clearance.
- During the UN Security Council meeting of 15 April, the Under-Secretary General for Humanitarian Affairs stated that over 200,000 suspected cholera cases have been reported in 2019. WFP and WHO through a partnership are distributing oral rehydration salts (ORS) at WFP distribution sites. So far over 1.7 million people in 48 districts deemed at high risk of cholera, have received ORS using WFP's established food distribution network.
- The humanitarian situation in Hajjah governorate has significantly deteriorated due to the ongoing conflict and inaccessibility of many districts for humanitarian assistance. [OCHA](#) reports that around 68,000 families are displaced in



2019. Several missions were conducted in Hajjah to assess the situation, progress on operations and ascertain needs and gaps.

## WFP Response

- During the April cycle, WFP delivered food assistance to a total of 10.2 million people in 21 governorates. Of these, 7.4 million people received in-kind food assistance, 2.7 million people received commodity vouchers and 160,335 people received cash-based transfers.
- In response to the increased fighting and large-scale population displacement in Hudaydah governorate, the UN established a Rapid Response Mechanism (RRM) was established in June 2018 to assist newly displaced persons and ensure their most immediate needs are met. Displaced families are provided with WFP Immediate Response Rations (IRR) sufficient for five days. Since the start of the large-scale IDP response in June until April, WFP has provided IRRs to 241,049 households.
- Preparations for SCOPE registration in the northern governorates are ongoing to register 1.3 million households. WFP has rolled out a large-scale media campaign aimed at the public in northern governorates about WFP's targeting and registration process and its purpose, and entitlements for eligible beneficiaries. In the southern governorates, with full cooperation of the IRG, registration is ongoing in Aden, and has been completed in Lahj and Shabwa governorates. A total of 62,654 households have been registered as of end of April.

### Livelihood and Resilience Projects

- Food assistance for assets (FFA) activities for the period October 2018- March 2019 concluded in March. Preparations for the next round are underway and incorporate the food assistance for training (FFT) modality.

### School Meals Programme

- Under the school feeding programme, in April WFP dispatched 1,419.4 mt of fortified date bars to 385,591 children attending schools in 19 districts in ten northern governorates. In the south, 598 mt of high-energy biscuits (HEB) were dispatched targeting 203,000 school children in 13 districts in six governorates. In total, WFP reached 588,591 schoolchildren across the country in 1,584 schools, concluding the academic year 2018/2019.

### Nutrition Assistance

- During March 2019, WFP scaled-up its nutrition support to admit 30,449 children aged 6 to 59 months and 29,215 pregnant and lactating women (PLW) into its Targeted Supplementary Feeding Programme (TSFP) to treat moderate acute malnutrition (MAM) out of the total monthly target of 130,957. For MAM prevention, WFP admitted 233,604 children aged 6 to 23 months and 272,009 PLW into its Blanket Supplementary Feeding Programme (BSFP) out of the total monthly target of 1.6 million people. As the scale-up of the operation is ongoing and cooperating partners submit more

distribution reports to WFP, the numbers are expected to increase in the coming months.

## Supply Chain

- Under the April distribution cycle, WFP dispatched 109,447 mt of commodities under the general food assistance programme, representing 94 percent of the 115,887.6 mt planned dispatch target.

## Clusters and Common Services

### Food Security and Agriculture Cluster (FSAC)

- During April, the FSAC revised the minimum food basket to USD 94, up from USD 66. The food basket contains wheat flour, beans, vegetable oil, sugar and iodised salt account and is meant for a household of 7 members per month into account meeting 80 percent of their monthly household food needs. The cost estimate took into account the exchange rates and market price data for food commodities.
- In April FSAC conducted a livelihoods technical working group meeting to harmonize the tools for Cash for Work and Cash for Assets. A guidance note on these topics is also under preparation

### Logistics Cluster

- In April, the Logistics Cluster facilitated the overland transport of 823 m<sup>3</sup> of relief items on behalf of ACF, DRC, UNHCR, FAO, Relief International, OHCHR, UNFPA, WFP. The Logistics Cluster facilitated the air transport of 240 m<sup>3</sup> of relief items on behalf of ACF, FAO, Première Urgence – Aide Médicale Internationale, WHO, WFP.
- The current storage capacity for the different areas are as follows: 5,740 m<sup>2</sup> in Aden, 3,640 m<sup>2</sup> in Hudaydah, 320 m<sup>2</sup> in Bajil, and 2,252 m<sup>2</sup> in Sana'a.
- The Logistics Cluster facilitates access to fuel (petrol and diesel) at WFP-managed distribution points around Sana'a, Aden and Hudaydah. Fuel is available to humanitarian organisations on a cost-recovery basis. In April, the Logistics Cluster distributed 90,822 litres of diesel and 48,834 litres of petrol to 24 organisations.

## Resourcing Update

- Based on the ICSP, WFP urgently needs an additional USD 685.2 million to ensure operations can continue unimpeded over the next six months.
- WFP's operational needs for the entire 2019 stand at USD 2.3 billion. Pipeline breaks are anticipated for commodity vouchers in July, nutrition interventions in July and In-kind food distributions in October (if commodities are received in time). Given the necessary lead-times to bring food into the country, WFP urgently needs funds to ensure that operations can continue uninterrupted until October 2019.

# WFP Interim Country Strategic Plan

|   | Total Requirements<br>(in USD) | Allocated Contributions<br>(in USD) | 6-Month Net Funding Requirements<br>(in USD)<br>(Jun 2019 – Nov 2019) | People Assisted<br>(Mar 2019) | Female    | Male      |
|---|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---|-------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| <b>ICSP TOTAL*</b><br>(Jan 2019 – Dec 2020) | 3,340.5 m                      | 762.7 m                             | 685.2 m   | 10,169,814                    | 4,995,413 | 5,174,401 |
| <b>General Food Assistance</b>              |                                |                                     |   | 10,169,814                    | 4,995,413 | 5,174,401 |
| <b>School Meals</b>                         |                                |                                     |   | 588,591                       | 287,733   | 300,858   |
| <b>Food for Assets (FFA)**</b>              |                                |                                     |   | N/A                           | N/A       | N/A       |
| <b>Nutrition (Prevention)***</b>            |                                |                                     |   | 505,613                       | 386,475   | 119,138   |
| <b>Nutrition (Treatment)***</b>             |                                |                                     |   | 59,664                        | 44,135    | 15,529    |

\* The total beneficiary figure includes beneficiaries of all activities as there is almost a complete overlap between activities.

\*\*No data for Food for Assets is available in April as preparations are ongoing for next round.

\*\*\*Nutrition Prevention and Treatment figures are for March 2019.

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