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In Numbers

1.67 million internally displaced people ([OCHA](#) est.)

1,058,616 South Sudanese refugees ([UNHCR](#) est.)

202,019 people seeking shelter with the UN ([UNMISS](#) est.)

4.8 million people in emergency or crisis level food insecurity ([IPC, May - July 2016](#))

Highlights

- Market price monitoring finds a reduction in prices for staple foods as a result of early harvests.
- Phase III scale up in Northern Bahr el Ghazal completed; 828,000 people assisted.
- Budget revision completed for Logistics Cluster operations, reducing needs by US\$ 10 million.

Highlights

- WFP's latest [Market Price Monitoring Bulletin](#) highlights a reduction in prices for staple foods in many locations as new harvests are becoming available in markets. However, the price of local and imported commodities remained significantly higher when compared to the same time last year and the five year average. Fuel remains scarce in many areas, limiting commodity flows to some markets.
- Price monitoring data also highlights a significant decrease in food transfer values, making cash based assistance more cost effective across the country. Where WFP is implementing cash based interventions, the transfer value is being updated in October taking into consideration the reduction in food prices.
- A downward budget revision of approximately US\$ 10 million for the Logistics Cluster was approved, reducing the 2016 funding requirements to US\$ 26.2 million. The reduction in funding requirements comes as a result of the introduction of a specialised fixed-wing aircraft in January 2016, which has been more cost-efficient in the delivery of humanitarian cargo this year.

WFP's Activities



Food Assistance

- In Northern Bahr el Ghazal, WFP has reached 943,000 people through its Phase III scale up, which has now been completed, and ongoing food assistance for assets (FFA) programmes. Through the Phase III response, 828,000 people benefited from general food distributions (GFD) and nutrition support, including 99,800 children under 5 and 39,700 mothers who received a supplementary nutrition ration for the prevention of malnutrition. 115,000 people received transfers under the FFA programme in compensation for the work they have completed to build and rehabilitate community level productive assets. WFP is preparing to start Phase IV distributions in Northern Bahr el Ghazal, in recognition of the fact that many households continue to face emergency and crisis levels of food insecurity. Through Phase IV, WFP will provide 505,000 people with GFD rations, including preventive nutrition assistance for 96,000 children and 40,400 mothers. Alongside the Phase IV scale up, 21,000 mothers and children under 5 will receive curative nutrition assistance, 62,000 people will be reached through FFA programmes and 54,000 beneficiaries will be included in the food for education (FFE) programme.
- There are 10 ongoing Integrated Rapid Response Mechanism (IRRM) missions in Wau Shilluk, Gum, Pagak, Maiwuit (Upper Nile) and Pultruk, Wai, Gorwai, Mogok, Nyanapol, Kurwai (Jonglei) where teams are providing assistance to 175,760 people. Currently there are 18 missions planned over the next month in the Greater Upper Nile region and Western Bahr el Ghazal state through which approximately 343,000 people will receive assistance.
- Airdrops of food assistance to Bentiu commenced on 12 October. WFP is providing rations to approximately 163,000 people seeking shelter at the UNMISS Protection of Civilian (POC) site as well as 33,000 people in Bentiu town.

Beneficiaries

(August 2016)





- Convoy #22 ex-Kosti (Sudan) arrived in Renk on 12 October loaded with 1,000mt of commodities for Renk and Maban distributions in October.
- One barge set ex-Bor to Malakal docked on 4 October and offloading is ongoing. Three empty barge sets are expected to return to Bor over the next two weeks under UNMISS Force Protection.

Clusters and Special Operations



UN Humanitarian Air Service (UNHAS)

- This week UNHAS transported 1,446 passengers and 43mt of light humanitarian cargo. Cargo movement has significantly increased after the conflict in July as agencies intensify efforts to move relief materials to the affected population.
- UNHAS facilitated two medical evacuations within the regular flight schedule from Malakal and Maban for UNHCR and ACTED.
- Security relocations for 9 staff were performed from Agok and Kapoeta for IOM and CORDAID.
- UNHAS performed a special flight for an OCHA Inter Agency Mission to Padeah (Unity).
- UNHAS continued support for ECHO partners involved in Emergency Preparedness and Response activities to Old Fangak and transported 8mt of cargo. A second flight facilitated another mission to Jikmir instead of to Nasir, due to insecurity.
- Team deployments of IRRM teams were supported to Gorwai, Mayendit, Malakal, Pulturuk, Kurwai and Mogok.



Logistics Cluster

- Over the past week, the Logistics Cluster coordinated the delivery of 92mt of humanitarian relief items to Akobo, Aweil, Malakal, Mathiang, Rubkona, Wau on behalf of 12 organizations.
- The most recent Access Constraints map can be found at the following link: <http://www.logcluster.org/map/south-sudan-access-constraints-map-7-october-2016>.



Food Security & Livelihoods Cluster (FSLC)

- The FSLC welcomed the arrival of the NGO Co-Chair from World Vision International. The co-chair will serve a term of one year and will support in all areas of coordination but in particular on NGO relations and cash/voucher programming.



Feeder Roads

- Nothing significant to report.



Emergency Telecommunications Cluster (ETC)

- The Emergency Telecommunications Cluster (ETC) is planning to install a security telecommunication system in Pibor as insecurity in the area increased in the past few weeks. Humanitarian programmes in the vicinity require travel in remote locations to reach the targeted communities and the mobile network has limited coverage. The ETC project will provide a stable telecommunication system for humanitarian workers.
- The ETC completed a training workshop for 30 IOM and WFP staff members in Bentiu on the use of Very High Frequency (VHF) and High-Frequency (HF) Radios. This training equipped staff with the skills to use the handheld devices for coordinating programme field activities since there is no mobile network in the area.
- Minkaman internet connectivity has been restored after it faltered due to a technical failure of the signal transmitter.

WFP Operations in South Sudan			
	2016 Requirements (in USD)	6 Months Net Funding Requirements (October 2016—March 2017) (in USD)	People Reached (August 2016)
EMOP 200859 (Oct 2015—Sept 2017)	557 million	286.5 million	1,040,571
PRRO 200572 (Jan 2014—Dec 2016*)	277 million	77.6 million	1,427,051
SO 200775 Food Security and Livelihoods Cluster (Jan 2015—Dec 2016)	585,000	0	N/A
SO 200778 Logistics Cluster (Jan 2015—Dec 2016)	26.2 million	2.4 million	N/A
SO 200931 ETC (Jan-Dec 2016)	663,000	0	N/A
SO 200786 UNHAS (Jan 2015—Dec 2016)	58.6 million	9.1 million	N/A
The Feeder Roads Special Operation has a total budget of US\$167.3 million, with a shortfall of US\$70.4 million.			

*Budget revision in process.

2016 WFP South Sudan donors (listed alphabetically)*:



*Includes donors that provided multi-year funding continuing in 2016
Not included: UN CHF, World Bank and Private Donors

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