

WFP TOGO Country Brief

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Operational Context

Togo is a west African low-income country. The overall poverty rate decreased from 58.7 percent in 2011 to 55.1 percent in 2015 – (QUIBB 2015). In 2014, the Demographic and Health Survey (EDST-III,) showed that more than 28 percent of children aged 6-59 months were suffering from chronic malnutrition and 6.5 percent from acute malnutrition (including 1.5 percent from severe acute malnutrition). The acute malnutrition rate is high, particularly in the regions of Kara (7.2 percent) and Savannah (11.2 percent).

In schools, the net enrolment rate for girls is 85 percent against 88 percent for boys. This disparity is more pronounced in the northern areas of the country (Savannah) where the net school enrolment rate of girls is below 64 percent against 71 percent for boys. WFP has been present in Togo since 1968.



In Numbers

0 mt of food assistance distributed

US\$0 m cash based transfers made

US\$0.4 m six months (January-June 2019) net funding requirements, representing 87% of total

0.052 m people assisted with capacity strengthening activities in June 2018



Operational Updates

In June 2018, the country office pursued its activities to support the team in charge of the Zero hunger strategic review (ZHR) process and the Directors of primary schools implementing school meals project.

Zero hunger review process:

- In line with the ZHR process plan, the country office supported the "zero hunger review process team to hold three regional workshops respectively in the northern, central and southern regions. Those workshops aimed to share and validate the first draft report with all stakeholders living in the regions and gather their contributions to improve the report before final approval at country level.
- The supports to Directors of primary schools implementing school meals project are related to Activity 1 of the T-ICSP: Provide policy support and technical assistance to school meal programme stakeholders. The support of WFP helped Directors to pursue sensitization activities on nutrition, hygiene and sanitation best practices for the benefit of schoolchildren, the association of school meals cooking women, and schoolchildren parents committees. A total of 9,175 persons including 8,783 schoolchildren (4,684 boys and 4,099 girls) and 392 members of cooking women association and of school committees sensitized on the consequences of malnutrition and micronutrients deficiency on childhood development, and on how to prevent them by using properly local nutritious foods and best practices of hygiene and sanitation.

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 Photo
 Caption: Sensitization of schoolchildren on nutrition and hygiene matters, in Kpalimè

WFP Country Strategy		
Total Requirement (in USD)	Confirmed Contributions (in USD)	Six Month Net Funding Requirements (in USD)
T/Interim Country Strategic Plan (2017-2019)		
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Strategic Result Strategic Outcon	1: Everyone has access to ne 1: - National institution e food security and nutritio	o food s have strengthened

WFP Country Activities

CSI1 - 1. Provide policy support and technical assistance to school meal Programme stakeholders;

SO 1 AAA1 - 2. Provide technical support to the Government in school feeding data analysis, reporting and monitoring & evaluation

Monitoring

- In June 2018, the country office monitoring covered the areas of work of seven NGO out of the 12 supporting the school meals programme in the country.
- School capacities assessment revealed that more than 51 percent of primary schools covered by the schools meals programme have been collecting water from rivers, opened wells or unknown sources. More than 46 percent of schools were suffering from lack of sanitation and toilets.

Challenges

 Limited funding continues to affect the implementation of the country office activities. Resources are urgently needed to implement capacity strengthening activities planned under the first budget revision of the T/ICSP for a transition towards a nationally owned school meals programme.

Extra Section (Customise Title)

N/A

Donors

Australia, private donors, Germany Multilateral Funds, Government of Togo.

