



World Food Programme

# WFP Nigeria

## Country Brief

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### Operational Context

Nigeria is a federal constitutional republic. It is the most populous country in Africa and the seventh most populous country in the world. Nigeria has over 500 ethnic groups.

The crisis induced by non-state armed groups (NSAGs) remains the principal driving factor of instability in Northeast Nigeria. Since 2010, they have increasingly expanded their operational capabilities. In May 2013 a state of emergency was declared by the Government in Borno, Adamawa and Yobe States.

There are 2.03 million internally displaced persons (IDPs) reported to be in Nigeria (IOM/DTM Feb 2019), of which 87 percent are in Borno, Adamawa and Yobe States, 79 percent are children and women and 27 percent children aged 6-59 months. As per the November 2018 Cadre Harmonisé (CH) report, the number of people in need of food assistance in Borno, Adamawa and Yobe States, is around 2.7 million (projected situation, June to August 2019).



Population: **191 million**

2017 Human Development Index: **157 out of 189**

Income Level: **Lower middle**

Estimated that >1m children (6-59 mths) in BAY States are undernourished, 367,000 SAM & 727,000 MAM. (HRP 2019-2022)

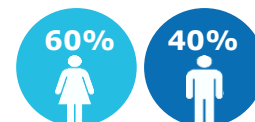
### In Numbers

**7,788 mt** of food assistance distributed

**US\$ 2.9 m** cash-based transfers made

**US\$ 59 m** six months (May- October 2019) net funding requirements representing 44% of total

**616,033 people assisted** in April 2019



### Operational Updates

- In April, WFP provided food and nutrition assistance to 616,033 beneficiaries in Borno, Adamawa and Yobe States through in-kind unconditional food assistance and cash-based transfers (CBT), complemented by preventive nutrition assistance activities and livelihood-oriented interventions (71 percent of the plan). The underachievement can be attributed to delays in starting up livelihood activities, security restrictions that required distributions to be suspended in some locations and over-planning of the contingency caseload.
- Of the total 556,563 beneficiaries who received unconditional food assistance, 71 percent was In-kind and 29 percent through CBT.
- 159,159 beneficiaries received in kind nutrition prevention and treatment.
- Under the multi-sectoral integrated nutrition programme 21,578 beneficiaries were assisted.
- WFP started transfers to 24,758 livelihood beneficiaries with 392 mt of mixed commodities under the food assistance for assets programme in Banki, Dikwa, Gwoza, Ngala and Madagali, implementing natural resources management activities, community investment and establishment, construction of communal pit latrines, crop production, waste disposal pit construction and other income generating activities.
- WFP supported around 22,000 new arrivals; 17,904 through unconditional food assistance-CBT and 4,171 through unconditional food assistance in-kind.
- WFP dispatched a total of 8,225 mt of mixed food commodities to various Final Distribution Points in Borno, Adamawa and Yobe States (100 percent of the requirement).
- Data collection for the EFSA was completed in all 22 LGAs. A total of 9,166 households (6,454 from the host communities and 2,712 from IDP camps) were interviewed in Borno State.
- Preparation is ongoing for the upcoming Household Economy Approach in Yobe in collaboration with Save the Children.
- In April, 14 percent of the planned distributions were monitored, including 90 monitoring visits at distribution sites against 635 active sites. Low achievement was mainly due to logistical challenges and changes in distribution dates.
- Three teams were deployed to the humanitarian hubs in Bama, Monguno and Ngala with a view to expand WFP's presence in the deep field. The teams will focus on areas of engagement with local stakeholders, update on any operational and security issues and flag other issues for follow-up from the area or country office.
- Corrections on inclusion/exclusion errors for beneficiaries targeted in Damboa LGA were completed and sent to the Vulnerability and Assessment Mapping team for final validation.
- Participants at Mala Kyari ward of Mafa LGA were sensitized, while in Abari ward of Monguno the first Social and Behaviour Change Communication (SBCC) session was held with 350 participants. Allocation of beneficiaries to communal and individual activities in Abari was completed.

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## Country Strategic Plan (2019-2022)

Total Requirement (in USD)	Allocated Contributions (in USD)	Six Month Net Funding Requirements (in USD)
243 m	77 m*	59 m

\*Six-months allocated contributions

## Strategic Result 1: Everyone has access to food

**Strategic Outcome 1:** Internally displaced persons, returnees, refugees and local communities affected by crisis in Nigeria are able to meet their basic food and nutrition needs during and in the aftermath of shocks

**Focus area:** Crisis response

## Activities:

- Provide unconditional food assistance and income-generating activities to food-insecure internally displaced persons, returnees, refugees and host communities affected by crises (URT: Unconditional resource transfers to support access to food)
- Provide nutrition prevention and treatment packages to children 6-59 months, pregnant and lactating women and girls, other nutritionally vulnerable populations and persons with caring responsibilities (NPA: Malnutrition prevention activities)

## Strategic Result 2: No one suffers from malnutrition

**Strategic Outcome 3:** Nutritionally vulnerable people in chronically food insecure areas have enhanced nutritional status in line with the achievement of national and global targets by 2015

**Focus area:** Resilience building

## Activities:

- Support improving the nutrition status of children, pregnant and lactating women and girls, adolescents and other nutritionally vulnerable groups (including people living with HIV) through an integrated malnutrition prevention package, including access to nutritious food and quality care, social and behavioural change communication and capacity strengthening (NPA: Malnutrition prevention activities)

## Strategic Result 3: Smallholders productivity and incomes

**Strategic Outcome 2:** Vulnerable populations in targeted areas become more resilient to shocks and are able to meet their basic food needs throughout the year.

**Focus area:** Résilience building

## Activities:

- Provide conditional transfers to food-insecure persons, including women, young people and smallholders (ACL: Asset creation and livelihood support activities)

## Strategic Result 5: Developing countries have strengthened capacity to implement the SDGs

**Strategic Outcome 4:** Federal, state and local actors have strengthened capacity to manage food security and nutrition programmes in line with national targets in the short, medium and long term.

**Focus area:** Root causes

## Activities:

- Support the technical capacity of federal, state and local actors in information management systems, vulnerability assessment and mapping, monitoring and evaluation, safety net management, food technology and fortification, supply chains, nutrition and emergency preparedness and response, integrating gender.

## Strategic Result 6: Policies to support sustainable development are coherent

**Strategic Outcome 5:** Government and partner efforts to achieve Zero Hunger by 2030 are supported by effective and coherent policy frameworks

**Focus area:** Root causes

## Activities:

- Support the Zero Hunger Forum and food and nutrition security coordination and advocacy in line with the recommendations of the zero hunger strategic review (CSI: Institutional capacity strengthening activities)

## Strategic Result 8: Sharing of knowledge, expertise and technology strengthen global partnership support to country efforts to achieve the SDGs

**Strategic Outcome 6:** Humanitarian community is enabled to reach and operate in areas of humanitarian crisis throughout the year

**Focus area:** Crisis response

## Activities:

- Provide common emergency telecommunications services to government, United Nations and NGO partners to facilitate effective field operations and provide for staff security (CPA: Service provision and platforms activities)
- Provide common logistic services to government, United Nations and non-governmental partners to facilitate effective field operations (CPA: Service provision and platforms activities)
- Provide humanitarian air services to all partners until appropriate alternatives are available. (CPA: Service provision and platforms activities)

## Monitoring

- The Nigeria country office is undergoing complete overhaul of its monitoring systems to synchronize internal procedures with corporate and programmatic requirements.

## Protection and Gender

- The Protection and Accountability to Affected Populations (AAP) unit conducted an introductory meeting in Maiduguri and Damaturu with the protection officers and assistants hired by Cooperating Partners within the context of WFP operations in Borno. The purpose of the meeting was to map out protection presence across WFP operations in Borno, discuss the roles, responsibilities and present the draft terms of references for the protection officers/assistants and lastly document capacity strengthening needs related to protection, accountability to affected populations and gender.
- The protection and AAP unit, in collaboration with logistics, deployed the SAFE stoves remaining in the Maiduguri warehouse to Ngala and Pulka, with a plan to distribute them in Dikwa in mid-May.
- The WFP country office received a letter of appreciation from the Federal Ministry of Women Affairs and Social Development for WFP Nigeria's support towards the commemoration of the 2019 international Women's Day in Nigeria.

## Challenges

- Increased security incidents, involving armed conflict, civil unrest and terrorism.
- Attacks on commercial convoys along Dikwa-Ngala road have frequently been reported. The trend is expected to remain unchanged until mid-July 2019 when the road will become impassable as a result of the rainy season.
- **Food Security Sector (FSS):** In order to have a better joint understanding and coordination among sector partners who have planned/are planning to carry out seed distribution in 2019 rainy season, the Sector has been using its Agriculture and Livelihood Working Group forum to facilitate better coordination and planning among partners, including NEMA, MCRP and other actors, prevent duplicative efforts, and identify gaps in coverage.
- **Emergency Telecommunications Sector (ETS):** The ETS started the development of training materials for technical and non-technical humanitarian responders in North-East Nigeria to build their skills on security communications services and infrastructure. These activities underpin the provision and support to communications services in the long term.
- **Logistics Sector:** Six hundred and nine (629) humanitarian cargo movement notification forms were processed through the Nigerian Armed Forces (NAF). These notifications represent the proposed movement of 1,545 trucks, carrying humanitarian cargo to 51 locations, on behalf of 27 organisations, throughout northeast Nigeria - of which 206 required a military escort.
- **UN Humanitarian Air Service (UNHAS):** UNHAS transported a total of 5320 humanitarian workers, 4079 through helicopters and 1,241 via fixed wing aircraft. A total of 8729 Kg of cargo was transported via helicopters and fixed wing aircraft.

## Partners (in alphabetical order)

Canada, Denmark, European Commission, Finland, Germany, Italy, Nigeria, Norway, Private Donors, Republic of Korea, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, United Kingdom, and United States of America. Funds have also been received from the Nigeria Humanitarian Fund and WFP Multilateral Funds.