

WFP SyriaSituation Report #7

July 2019



3.9 million people assisted July 2019







WFP Syria Interim Country Strategic Plan (ICSP)

2019 Syrian Arab Republic Humanitarian Response Plan (HRP)

Overall:

USD 3.3 billion

WFP share:

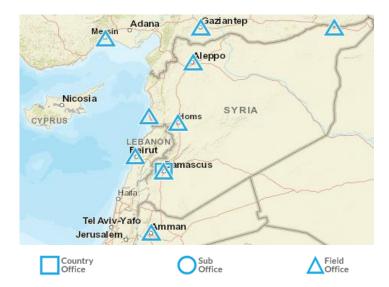
USD 737.8 million

WFP Net Funding Requirement

(August 2019 – January 2020)

Syria Interim Country Strategic Plan (ICSP)

USD 178.6 million



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In Numbers

11.7 million people in need of humanitarian assistance

6.2 million people internally displaced

6.5 million people food insecure

2.5 million people at risk of food insecurity

Highlights

- In July, WFP dispatched food assistance for 3.9 million people across all 14 Syrian governorates. This includes food assistance for some 382,200 people in 66 locations across hard-to-reach areas, and food assistance for 920,500 people provided via the cross-border operation from Turkey to areas not accessible from inside Syria.
- The violence in north-western Syria has displaced some 518,000 people from northern Hama and southern Idlib governorates between May and July. WFP has so far provided more than 256,000 people with ready-to-eat rations (RTEs).
- WFP continued to scale up the General Food
 Assistance (GFA) provided across north-western
 Syria, targeting some 933,000 people in July.

Situation Update

North-Western Syria

- The situation in north-western Syria continued to deteriorate in July, as heavy fighting between government forces and non-state armed groups continued across southern Idlib, northern Hama and western Aleppo governorates. The fighting had severe impacts on the civilian population, with mounting civilian casualties, continuous population displacement, and severe damage to public infrastructure.
- Population displacement continued to accelerate across the affected areas, with close to twice as many displacements recorded in July across northern Hama and southern Idlib governorates (126,200) as compared to June (67,500), according to the UNHCRled Camp Coordination and Camp Management (CCCM) Cluster.

- As of 31 July, the violence had displaced some 518,000 people since 01 May from northern Hama and southern Idlib governorates according to the CCCM Cluster. Northern Idlib governorate, and specifically the Dana sub-district bordering Turkey, remained the primary destination of the displaced.
- wFP continued its emergency response, and had provided more than 256,000 people with ready-to-eat rations (RTEs) since 01 May. Further, WFP continued to scale up its provision of GFA, targeting some 933,000 people in July. WFP also increased the size of the food ration in July to provide a value of 1,900 kcal per person/day.
- WFP continued to face significant challenges in its
 response efforts in July, and was forced to temporarily
 suspend planned distributions in some areas due to
 insecurity, with all of them resuming on later days of the
 month. Furthermore, WFP assistance for some 7,000
 people in northern Hama governorate remained
 suspended throughout July; WFP stands ready to
 resume distributions as soon as conditions allow.

North-Eastern Syria

- WFP continues to provide food assiatance across the north-eastern governorates, including in all IDP camps.
 In July, WFP assisted the displaced populations across the Al-Hole, Al-Roj, Ein Issa, Mabrouka, Abo Khashab, Areesha and Towhenieh IDP camps.
- In Ar-Raqqa governorate, WFP is planning a scale up of food assistance provided under the GFA programme in Ar-Raqqa city in response to the humanitarian needs of IDPs returning to the city, targeting an additional 10,000 people starting from August 2019.
- In July, WFP, through its cooperating partner, was able to reach Al Baghouz town of rural Deir Ezzor and distributed enough food rations to 2,250 people who recently returned to the town. WFP is the first and only humanitarian agency to access the town of Baghouz, the last Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant (ISIL)-held area before it was reclaimed by the Syrian Democratic Forces (SDF) in late March, since then the area remains inaccessible to humanitarian actors due to the ongoing explosive ordnance disposal and demining work.

Southern Syria

 Rapid assessments were conducted between 26-30 May and 10-11 June across 13 locations in Dar'a and Quneitra governorates. The assessments found a fragile context combined with a high prevalence of food insecurity, and WFP decided to implement a three-month transitional emergency food assistance operation covering the newly accessible areas of Dar'a and Quneitra governorates through the months of July, August, and September, with a plan to reach a total 937,500 people by the end of September. The emergency food assistance operationan commenced in July, and WFP reached some 277,850 people over the first month.

WFP Response

- In July, WFP delivered general food assistance (GFA) for 3.9 million people across all 14 Syrian governorates, accounting for over 100 percent of the monthly target of 3.9 million people.
- Cross-border deliveries from Turkey under <u>UN Security</u>
 <u>Council Resolution 2165</u> (2014, renewed under
 <u>Resolution 2449</u> in December 2018) accounted for 23
 percent of the total WFP food assistance dispatched.
 This includes food rations for some 920,500 people in
 opposition-held Idlib governorate and opposition-held
 areas of Aleppo governorate inaccessible from inside
 Syria.
- WFP dispatched food assistance for some 382,200
 people in 66 locations across <u>areas classified by the UN</u>
 <u>as hard-to-reach</u> in Ar-Raqqa, Deir Ezzor, Homs Hama,
 Aleppo, Dar'a, Quneitra and Rural Damascus
 governorates in July.
- In July, a total of USD 1.9 million in cash-based transfers (CBT) was distributed to 74,800 beneficiaries across two activities: nutrition support to pregnant and lactating women and girls and livelihood support.

Livelihood and Resilience Programme

 In July, WFP reached 67,000 people under its six livelihood and resilience projects across Rural Damascus, Aleppo, As-Sweida, Dar'a, Deir Ezzor, Hama, Homs, Lattakia, Quneitra and Tartous governorates.

School Feeding Programme

- In July, WFP provided fortified date bars to some 23,000 students attending the intensive eight-week summer program supported by UNESCO to help primary school students who have failed their final exams to catch up and move on to the next year. The assistance was provided in Aleppo, Hama, Homs, Tartous, Rural Damascus, Damascus, Quneitra and As-Sweida governorates.
- No assistance was provided under the cash-based transfer and fresh school meals programs due to school summer holidays.

Nutrition Programme

 In July, WFP dispatched nutrition products for the prevention of acute malnutrition and micronutrient deficiencies for 178,200 children across Al-Hasakeh, Ar-

- Raqqa, Dar'a, Quneitra, Damascus, Deir Ezzor, Hama, Homs, Rural Damascus, Tartous, Lattakia, Aleppo and Idlib governorates.
- WFP delivered nutrition supplies for the treatment of moderate acute malnutrition (MAM) to Community-Based Management of Acute Malnutrition (CMAM) centres and mobile clinics sufficient to meet the needs of 3,400 children and pregnant and lactating women and girls.
- 48,500 pregnant and lactating women and girls received nutrition support through CBT to purchase fresh food, including dairy products, meat, fruits and vegetables, from 72 WFP-contracted shops.

Clusters and Common Services

Food Security Sector

- The Syria Food Security Sector (FSS) continued to coordinate the humanitarian response in north-western Syria through an online group, an online emergency tracking tool and ad-hoc cluster meetings.
- The FSS is also coordinating the humanitarian response across north-eatern Syria, where an estimated 1.6 million people are in urgent need of assistance.
- In all north-eastern IDP camps, humanitarian assistance is provided through two lines; provision of RTEs to all new arrivals upon registration, covering their food needs for up to five days, followed by the provision of monthly food rations with a 30-day feeding period. Bread is provided in all camps on a daily basis.

Logistics Cluster

 In July, the WFP-led Logistics Cluster served three partners, and facilitated the storage of 1,187 m³ of newly received humanitarian goods in its common storage facilities in Rural Damascus and Qamishli governorates on behalf of the International Medical Corps, UNICEF and UNFPA.

Emergency Telecommunication Cluster

- The Emergency Telecommunications Cluster (ETC) has completed the installation of a new telecommunications tower at the UNDSS Security Operations Centre (SOC) in Damascus to improve the performance and range of radio services.
- At the UN hub in Deir Ezzor, internet service provider (ISP) SyriaTel has finalized the installation of a new ISP link, funded by the ETC. This solution will provide reliable Internet connectivity services for the humanitarian community.

Resourcing Update

 WFP urgently needs funds to continue providing food assistance to those most in need and requires USD 178.6 million to keep operations running through January 2020.

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WFP Syria Interim Country Strategic Plan (2019-2020)					
	2019 Total Requirement (in USD)	6-Month Net Funding Requirement (August 2019 - January 2020)	People Assisted (July 2019)	Female	Male
ICSP (January – December 2019)	737.8m	195.3 m	3,943,375	2,168,856	1,774,519
General Food Assistance			3,943,375	2,168,856	1,774,519
School Feeding Programme			23,000	11,270	11,730
Nutrition - Prevention of Acute Malnutrition			178,190	90,877	87,313
Nutrition Support for Pregnant and Nursing Women (Cash-Based Transfers)			48,522	48,522	N/A
Nutrition - Treatment of Moderate Acute Malnutrition			3,425	2,021	1,404
Livelihood Activities			67,000	36,850	30,150