

WFP Haiti

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Operational Context

Haiti ranks 168 out of 189 countries on the 2018 Human Development Index. Haiti has one of the highest levels of chronic food insecurity in the world with more than half of its total population chronically food insecure and 22 percent of children chronically malnourished. Underlying drivers of this situation include extreme poverty and frequent natural disasters. On the 2019 Climate Risk Index, Haiti is fourth among the countries most affected by extreme weather events.

WFP has been working in Haiti since 1969. WFP's priority is to support the Haitian Government in developing sustainable solutions to hunger and malnutrition to achieve Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 2 "Zero Hunger".



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In Numbers

3.4 mt of food assistance distributed

USD 1,255,000 cash-based transfers made

USD 199 m Total Requirements

97,860 people assisted In July 2019





Operational Updates

The Country Strategic Plan for WFP in Haiti started the 1st of July and is leading the WFP's strategy in the country until 2023.

Emergency response

- 8,025 food insecure households received a cash-transfer in the framework of the ECHO-funded project in Artibonite and Nord-Est departments.
- In the framework of the USAID-FPP funded emergency response to the food insecurity across the country, 8,747 households received a cash-transfer in Grand Anse, Nord-Ouest, Sud-Est departments. In addition, 819 households received an emergency food ration in the commune of Cornillon.

School Feeding

- WFP organized lessons learned exercise with the Government and cooperating partners to analyze strengths and weaknesses of the past school year and better prepare for the new one.
- WFP organized a workshop to present the results of the gender gap analysis realized in the framework of the school feeding programme, to identify concrete steps to be taken to use the schools as platforms to promote gender equality.

Emergency Preparedness

 Nine stand-by partnership agreements were signed with six NGOs covering nine departments of the country. These partnerships agreements will enable WFP to support populations affected by shocks with emergency food assistance.

Food Assistance for Assets

- In the framework of resilience project, WFP distributed cash to 2,458 participants. The activities included watershed management, rehabilitation of rural roads, irrigation canals and the rehabilitation of salt production systems in Artibonite department.
- Through the Disaster Risk Reduction activities, WFP finalized a project in the South Department, and approximately 300 participants received their transfer for the rehabilitation of irrigation canals

Caption: Cash distributions in Mont Organisé and Capotille (Nord-Est department) funded by ECHO.

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WFP Country Strategy

Country Strategic Plan (July 2019 - December 2023) Allocated 199 m 46.9 m 2.8 m

Strategic Result 1: Everyone has access to food

Strategic Outcome 1: Crisis-affected populations in Haiti are able to meet their basic food and nutrition needs in times of crisis

Focus area: Crisis Response

Activities:

Provide emergency food assistance and support risk reduction and the recovery of crisis-affected populations

Strategic Outcome 2: Vulnerable populations in Haiti benefit from nutrition-sensitive safety nets to meet their basic needs all year Focus area: Root Causes

Activities:

- Design, implement and strengthen nutritious-sensitive safety nets
- Provide daily nutritious school meals

Strategic Result 3: Smallholders have improved food security and nutrition through improved productivity and incomes

Strategic Outcome 3: Smallholder farmers have improved their livelihoods to increase food security

Focus area: Resilience building

Activities:

- Provide support to smallholder farmers to sell agricultural products
- Provide daily nutritious and 100% local school meals (Home Grown School Feeding)

Strategic Result 4: Food systems are sustainable

Strategic Outcome 4: Vulnerable communities can rely on resilient food systems to mitigate, adapt and recover from shocks

Focus area: Resilience building

Activities:

Provide food assistance to vulnerable households for creation and rehabilitation of assets

Strategic Result 5: Countries strengthened capacities to implement the SDGs

Strategic Outcome 5: Centralized and Decentralized institutions and national stakeholders increased capacities to achieve Zero Hunger by 2030

Focus area: Resilience building

Activities:

Provide policy support and technical assistance to national stakeholders in areas of social protection, disaster risk management fortification and local production

Strategic Result 8: Countries strengthened capacities to implement the SDGs

Strategic Outcome 6: The Government and humanitarian and development actors have access to services on demand all year Focus area: Resilience building

Activities:

Provide on-demand services to the Government as well as the humanitarian actors

Cash-Based transfers

As the leader of the Cash-Based Transfers Working Group, WFP facilitated on 19th of July a simulation exercise on the hurricane season, aiming to have a common understanding on how organizations, donors and the government can use cash transfers to have a better impact, in line with their missions and mandates.

Social Protection

WFP facilitated national and regional consultations over the National Social Protection and Promotion Policy to invite a a broad range of actors (civil society, government, local authorities, universities) to provide recommendations and priorities on the policy document.

Monitoring and Evaluation

WFP's hotline is a feedback mechanism to strengthen control and accountability and the monitoring of programme activities. In July 2019, WFP received 29 calls. Most of the calls were related to school feeding, food assistance for assets and cash distributions. They included concerns about food delivery and questions regarding different programmes.

Vulnerability Analysis and Mapping

- WFP and the Ministry of Social Affairs and Labour (MAST), through their operational partner National Coordination for Food Security (CNSA), began the socio-economic surveys in the commune of Port-de-Paix (Urban and rural areas)
- WFP and the CNSA, have initiated an Emergency Food Security Assessment (EFSA).

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