



WFP Haiti

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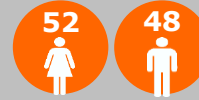
In Numbers

405 mt of food assistance distributed

US\$1,144,932 m cash-based transfers made

USD 199 m Total requirements

314,463 people assisted



WFP SAYS NO to GENDER BASED VIOLENCE

Operational Context

Haiti ranks 169 out of 189 countries on the 2019 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 severe 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".



Population: **11 million**

2019 Human Development Index: **169 out of 189**

Food Imports: **over 50% of national requirements**

2019 Climate Risk Index: **4th most affected by extreme weather events**

Operational Updates

Based on the last IPC numbers, WFP aims to scale-up its operations to reach 700,000 people for 8 months.

Emergency response

In November, 85,355 people received emergency food assistance.

- A total of 327 mt were distributed to 24,370 beneficiaries in the departments of Nord-Ouest and Artibonite. These food commodities are part of the USAID-FFP funded emergency contingency stock.
- Cash-distributions resumed this month, and more than USD 1 million was distributed to 60,985 people in Nord-Est, Artibonite and Grand'Anse departments.
- Within the framework of CERF-funded project, 12,016 households were registered in SCOPE, and cash distributions will start in December.

School Feeding

- Since the beginning of the school year and despite the current context, WFP has delivered 1,247 MT of food commodities to 910 schools for 222,163 school children. 77% of the total WFP-assisted schools were reached.
- WFP is currently undertaking a nutrition study to further understand the knowledge, habits and practices of school meals beneficiaries, teachers and cooks. The findings will be used for the development of a social behaviour change communication strategy to improve healthy eating habits and hygiene practices.

Nutrition

- In the framework of the CERF funded project, the nutrition supervisors from WFP's cooperating partner, *Alianza por la Solidaridad*, were trained about nutrition & hygiene good practices, animation techniques for malnutrition prevention sessions with communities, as well as the screening of malnourished children. Following this activity, the supervisors mobilised and trained the community health workers in each commune.

Country Strategic Plan (July 2019 - December 2023)

Total Requirements (in USD)	Allocated Contributions (in USD)	Six Month Net Funding Requirements (in USD)
199 m	69.6 m	2.1 m

Strategic Result 1: Everyone has access to food

Strategic Outcome 1: Crisis-affected populations in Haiti can 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 the creation and rehabilitation of assets

Strategic Result 5: Countries strengthened capacities to implement the SDGs

Strategic Outcome 5: Centralised and Decentralised 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

Resilience

- In Artibonite, WFP's cooperating partner AMURT is implementing a project in partnerships with Women's organisation to set up Income Generating Activities. 800 women received cash-based transfers through these activities.
- In the South department, the targeting of 2,704 beneficiaries in 3 communes was finalised. A Community-Based Participatory Planning workshop, part of the 3PA approach, took place.

Cash-based transfers

- Following the deterioration of the political, economic and security situation, CBTWG partners are conducting an assessment to determine the most appropriate modality of humanitarian assistance, aiming as well at informing the humanitarian response plan for 2020.

Social protection

- WFP and its governmental counterparts have finalised a first draft of the National Social Protection and Promotion Policy (NSPPP). It is expected to have a final round of high-level consultations on the policy content, before formally handing over the policy to the Ministry of Social Affairs (MAST).
- WFP signed a 4 years agreement with the Swiss embassy in Haiti for a social protection local project in Sud-Est Department. As part of the agreement, WFP will implement several activities to strengthen the capacity of the MAST to manage a safety net, extend the SIMAST coverage (45,000 households to be surveyed) and coordinate social protection initiatives at local level.

Forecast Based Financing (FbF)

- Four technicians of the Hydrometeorological Unit (UHM) are currently in Cuba to receive training in meteorology and hydrology as part of the Government's capacity strengthening program for disaster preparedness in Haiti.

UNHAS

- UNHAS operations started on 19 November, and a total of 159 passengers belonging to 24 different organisations were transported to eight destinations (Port-Au-Prince; Gonaives; Cap-Haitien; Port-de-Paix; Mole St. Nicolas; Jacmel; Les Cayes; Jeremie). In addition, 844 kg of cargo was moved.

Monitoring and Evaluation

- WFP's hotline is a feedback mechanism to strengthen control and accountability and the monitoring of programme activities. In November, WFP received 60 calls were concerns about the deliveries to the schools and the cash distributions which were postponed for security reasons were raised.

Vulnerability Analysis and Mapping

- In November, VAM unit supported the National Coordination for Food Security (CNSA) in the elaboration of the Food Basket Bulletin. It indicates that the price per food basket increased by 40% in October 2019 compared to October 2018.

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