

WFP Haiti Country Brief December 2019

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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".



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In Numbers

1,167 mt of food assistance distributed

US\$1,032,094 m cash-based transfers made

USD 200 m Total requirements





Operational Updates

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

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Emergency response

In December, 147,870 people received emergency food assistance.

- A total of 1,167 mt were distributed to 88,705 beneficiaries in the departments of Nord-Ouest, Artibonite and Ouest (La Gonave). These food commodities are part of the USAID-FFP funded emergency contingency stock.
- Within the framework of CERF-funded project, 59,165 beneficiaries were assisted through cash distributions in 5 communes of Sud-Est department.

School Feeding

- WFP and its cooperating partners managed to deliver 255 mt of food commodities to 152 schools across the departments of Grand-Anse, Sud-Est, Nord, Nord-Est, and Artibonite, reaching an overall total of 91% of WFP-assisted schools during the first trimester of 2019/20 school year.
- WFP has developed a gender market assessment to understand the different roles and responsibilities of men, women, boys and girls, and identify existing barriers that women face. The evidence generated from the study will be used to formulate recommendations to enhance women's participation across the value chain of the Homegrown school feeding programme. The first phase of the data collection was undertaken in Artibonite, with plans to conduct the second phase late January or early February in Nippes.
- WFP delivered training to its partner staffs and agricultural production organisation in Artibonite to improve planning, purchases and quality control processes of fresh products supplied to the homegrown school feeding programme.

Caption: School feeding girl receiving a hot meal through the school feeding programme *WFP/Antoine Vallas*

WFP Country Strategy



Country Strategic Plan (July 2019 - December 2023)		
Total Requirements (in USD)	Allocated Contributions (in USD)	Six Month Net Funding Requirements (in USD)
200 m	69.6 m	9.2 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 population 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 With the support of the Canadian Governmet, WFP plans to develop a comprehensive social behavior communication change strategy to promote positive changes around healthy eating habits and hygiene practices amongst school children, parents, teachers, cooks across school feeding communities. WFP conducted a qualitative nutrition study, organising focusgroup discussions across four schools in Ouest and Artibonite department.

Resilience

- In the framework of Disaster Risk Reduction activities, WFP started the activities in Ouest Department with 900 beneficiaries.
- In December, WFP signed a multi-year agreement with USAID Haiti to implement resilience programme over the next 2 years. This contribution will support vulnerable communities in the creation and rehabilitation of assets to build resilience to shocks.

Cash-based transfers

 In December, the CBTWG led a market feasibility assessment to inform the humanitarian community strategy in terms of emergency response to the food security crisis.

Social protection

 A final consultation workshop was organised to collect the last comments from the different actors implicated in the elaboration of the National Protection and Promotion Policy document (NSPPP).

UNHAS

 A total 405 of passengers belonging to 18 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, 1,717 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 December, WFP received 34 calls were mostly concerns about the deliveries to the schools.
- Throughout December, Field Aid Monitors supported the cash and food distributions in Grand'Anse, Sud-Est and La Gonâve;
- The M&E team of Gonaïves conducted the surveys of ECHO activities in North-East department.

Vulnerability Analysis and Mapping

• WFP's partner Diagnostic and Development Group finalized the SIMAST surveys in Saint Louis du Nord (Nord Ouest department) for a total of 16,090 households surveyed.

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