



WFP Haiti

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Operational Context

Haiti ranks 169 out of 189 countries on the 2019 Human Development Index. The country 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 2020 Climate Risk Index, Haiti is third among the countries most affected by severe weather events.

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".

WFP has been working in Haiti since 1969.



Population: **11 million**

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

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

2020 Climate Risk Index: **3rd most affected by extreme weather events**

In Numbers

890 mt of food assistance distributed

USD 370,000 cash-based transfers made

USD 271.4 m Total Requirements

182,080 people assisted



Operational Updates

Emergency Response

- In October, WFP provided food assistance to 91,490 people in the Artibonite, North-East, North-West and Nippes departments, and in the urban area in and around Port-au-Prince.
- Approximately 890 mt of food was distributed with USAID funds, and around USD 370,000 was distributed with funding from Canada, ECHO and USAID.

School Feeding

- The 2019-2020 school year ended on October 9th, but WFP distributed daily hot meals to 89,745 students (45,290 girls and 44,455 boys) in 439 schools. The new academic year 2020-2021 will start on November 9th.
- WFP signed field level agreements with and conducted training for cooperating partners for the new school year.

Resilience

- Two work cycles for Food-Assistance-for-Assets (FFA) projects involving 1,500 households (7,500 beneficiaries) were completed in the South department. The work included rehabilitating rural roads, protecting watersheds, and generating revenue through fishponds, micro-farms and plant nurseries.
- In the North-West, participants of FFA projects were identified and received training, while participatory planning was completed. These projects will take place in the coming months.

Nutrition

- As part of WFP's emergency assistance for pregnant and nursing women and girls undergoing ARV treatment, 845 beneficiaries have received the first distribution of the SuperCereal nutritional supplement was completed. E-money transfers will follow.

Caption: A WFP-organized focus group on financial inclusion meets in Beaumont, in the Grand'Anse department.

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Country Strategic Plan (July 2019 - December 2023)

Total Requirements (in USD)	Allocated Contributions (in USD)	Six Month Net Funding Requirements (in USD)
271.4 m	118.9 m	32.9 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 for vulnerable populations
- Provide nutritious meals and complementary sensitization and training in targeted schools relying on centralized procurement of commodities

Strategic Result 3: Smallholders have improved food security and nutrition through improved productivity and incomes**Strategic Outcome 3: Smallholder farmers and their communities in targeted areas in Haiti have improved their livelihoods to increase food security and nutrition by 2023***Focus area: Resilience building***Activities:**

- Develop and improve local production by strengthening smallholder farmers' access to markets
- Provide diversified and nutritious meals locally sourced from smallholder farmers, in targeted schools

Strategic Result 4: Food systems are sustainable**Strategic Outcome 4: Vulnerable communities in areas with fragile ecosystems can rely on resilient food systems to mitigate, adapt, and recover from shocks and manage climate-related risks by 2023***Focus area: Resilience building***Activities:**

- Provide food assistance to vulnerable households for the creation and rehabilitation of assets to build resilience to shocks and introduce integrated risk management in communities exposed to climate risks

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

Social Protection

- WFP conducted a field mission in the Grand'Anse department alongside the Ministry of Social Affairs and Labour to plan for a new social protection safety net.

UNHAS and Logistics

- In October, the United Nations Humanitarian Air Service (UNHAS), which serves the wider humanitarian community, transported 294 passengers and 1.03 MT of cargo.
- WFP offered bilateral service provision on a full-cost recovery basis to four partners, including for storage, handling, transport, IT assistance and technical maintenance.
- The UN Country Team and Humanitarian Country Team have requested that UNHAS services continue for 2021.

Vulnerability Analysis and Mapping

- According to the COVID-19 telephone survey conducted in October, 4.7 million people have insufficient food consumption, and 65% of those reached through phone calls reported engaging in crisis or emergency livelihood coping strategies.
- WFP carried out a rapid market analysis in Les Cayes, Gonaïves, and Cap Haitien during the first week of October to understand the impact of the appreciation of the local currency (Haitian Gourde) among sellers and the population. The market analysis report shows a drop in the price of imported products (-20% to -40%) and local products (-15% to -50%). There was a negative impact on households, especially those that rely on transfers from abroad.

Monitoring and Evaluation

- The Evaluation Committee approved the McGovern-Dole School Feeding programme Baseline Inception Report.

Challenges

- The security situation is particularly volatile and makes the planning of emergency operations and cash distributions increasingly difficult, including their targeting and monitoring.

Donors

Canada, European Union, France, Germany, Haiti, Japan, Spain, Switzerland, USA and private donors.

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