



WFP Mozambique Country Brief

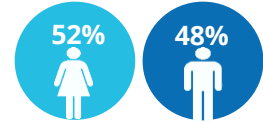
April 2021

World Food Programme

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In Numbers



549,331 people assisted in April 2021

4,786.44 mt of food assistance distributed

USD 2.8 million cash-based transfers made

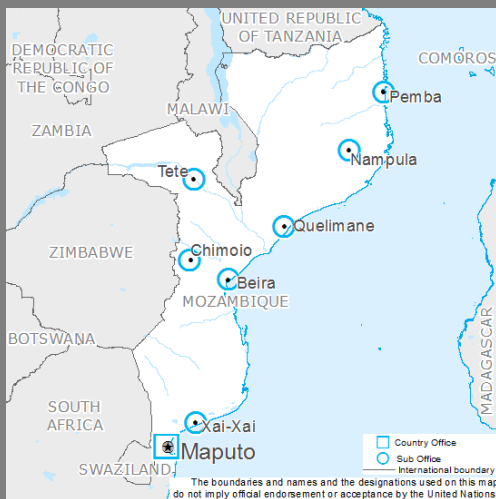
US\$ 124.2 million six months (May–October 2021) net funding requirements

Operational Context

After two decades of peace and stability, the intensification of violence in Cabo Delgado Province threatens socio-economic progress. Additionally, Mozambique remains one of the most disaster-prone countries in the world, with drought and pests affecting staple crops in much of the country while the central part has been affected by cyclones every year, leading to agricultural losses, destruction of infrastructure, assets and livelihoods, as well as internal displacement.

Thus, significant challenges remain to achieve food and nutrition security. Mozambicans still cannot afford the cost of a nutritious diet. High malnutrition affects almost half of children under 5 years of age. Over 2.9 million people face severe acute food insecurity, according to the most recent IPC analysis. The economic growth forecast was revised further downwards, following the impact of the cyclones, subsequent floods, and the COVID-19 pandemic. Nearly half the population remains below the poverty line.

WFP has been present in Mozambique since 1977, strengthening the Government's capacity and providing food, nutrition and livelihood assistance to the most vulnerable communities.



Population: 30.4 million

2019 Human Development Index: 181 out of 189

Income Level: Low

Chronic malnutrition: 53% of children aged 6-59 months

Operational Updates

- In April 2021, WFP assisted 548,091 internally displaced persons (IDPs) in the provinces of Cabo Delgado and Nampula.
- In response to recent attacks in Palma, WFP has dispatched 4,500 Immediate response Ration (IRRs) kits to key transit locations. The kits cover 100 percent of daily requirements for one family (5 individuals) for 15 days.
- As of April 2021, 697,000 people have been displaced by insecurity in Cabo Delgado (IOM DTM, March 2021).

Social Protection

- In Tete Province, around 14,000 households (around 70,000 beneficiaries) were registered to receive the first payment of the Direct Social Support Programme (PASD-PE) in response to COVID-19. Around 2,500 households (around 12,500 beneficiaries) have already received their first payment in April.
- WFP plans to reach 475,000 people from 95,000 families under the PASD-PE in response to COVID-19 in the next few months. WFP's support to the Government-led social protection response to the COVID-19 pandemic has been generously funded by USAID's Bureau for Humanitarian Assistance, Germany (BMZ/KfW) and Canada and is implemented in close collaboration with the Government and other key partners including UNICEF.

School Feeding

- In April 2021, WFP resumed school feeding programmes across the country.
- In cooperation with the Ministry of Education and Human Development (MINEDH), WFP assisted 125,945 primary school children under the National School Feeding Project (PRONAE).
- In addition to the support to PRONAE, WFP has provided school meals to 41,000 students in Tete province and 26,000 in Nampula.

Nutrition

HIV/TB PROJECT – Road Wellness Centre for HIV/TB Services

- In April, 398 people accessed the HIV/TB Roadside Wellness Project in the Beira transport corridor in Inhacpe district (Manica province). WFP is working with partners North Star Alliance and AMEND for this intervention. A live dashboard on the projects monitoring results can be accessed here: <https://bit.ly/3bi9KQB>.
- WFP is actively participating in Health and Protection Clusters at the central level and provincial levels (Cabo Delgado) to identify the main challenges in the area of HIV and TB and to start supporting activities for displaced populations.

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Country Strategic Plan (2017-2022)

Total Requirement (in USD)	Allocated Contributions (in USD)	Six Month Net Funding Requirements (in USD)
805.8 m	453.7 m	124.2 m

Strategic Result 1: Everyone has access to food

Strategic Outcome 1: Households have access to nutritious food

Focus area: Resilience Building

Activities:

- Preparedness and management capacities of weather-related shocks with the National Institute of Disaster management (INGC) and the Technical Secretariat for Food and Nutrition Security (SETSAN)
- Technical assistance to develop Shock Responsive Social Protection (SRSP)

Strategic Outcome 2: Shock-affected people in Mozambique are able to meet their basic food and nutrition needs during and immediately after a crisis

Focus area: Crisis Response

Activities:

- Food and cash-based transfers
- Early recovery and treatment of malnutrition
- Food assistance to refugees

Strategic Outcome 3: Children have access to nutritious food

Focus area: Home grown school feeding and capacity to Ministry of Education

Activities:

- Capacity strengthening of government bodies responsible for the national home-grown school feeding programme while seeking to make PRONAE (Programa Nacional de Alimentação Escolar) more nutrition sensitive and gender transformative.

Strategic Result 2: No one suffers from malnutrition

Strategic Outcome 4: People have improved nutritional status

Focus area: Government capacity for stunting

Activities:

- Development of operational research products on prevention of chronic malnutrition.
- Technical assistance to government entities implementing the national strategy to combat stunting and micronutrient deficiencies
- Provision of specialised and staple fortified food

Strategic Result 3: Smallholder productivity and income

Strategic Outcome 5: Farmers have enhanced livelihood

Focus area: Capacity of smallholder farmers

Activities:

- Aggregation, marketing and decision-making capacities of smallholder farmers and their access to markets with a focus on women

Strategic Result 8: Enhance global partnership

Strategic Outcome 6: Partners are supported by WFP expertise

Focus area: Resilience Building

Activities:

- Storage, handling and accounting of food for humanitarian and development partners

Strategic Outcome 7: Government and humanitarian partners in Mozambique have access to effective and reliable services during times of crisis

Focus area: Crisis Response

Activities:

- Provide services through the Logistics Cluster to government and other humanitarian and development partners
- Provide Emergency Telecommunications Cluster services to government and other humanitarian and development partners
- Provide humanitarian air services to government and other humanitarian and development partners
- Provide accommodation, transport and other services as required to humanitarian and development partners

The Gender Transformative and Nutrition Sensitive (GTNS) project

- On 12 April, the 2nd Provincial Coordination meeting was held in Beira district, Sofala province with all GTNS stakeholders.
- A joint monitoring mission was held between WFP, FAO and the donors of the GTNS project, with the Austrian Development Agency (ADA) visiting the project from 26 to 29 April. The GTNS interactive M&E Dashboard was finalized and are available in [English](#) and [Portuguese](#), visualizing all the core indicators and outputs of the programme from all three components.

Nutrition-sensitive programming

- WFP Mozambique is currently preparing a nutrition-sensitive social and behaviour change communications (SBCC) response to complement the COVID-19 social protection activities in Zambezia and Tete province.

MAM Treatment – PRN Programme

- In April, due to limited funding for the continuation of the PRN support in the central region of Mozambique, WFP restructured the support provided to the Ministry of Health, downscaling the number of districts supported in the provinces of Sofala, Manica and Zambézia.
- Therefore, since April, WFP has been supporting the Government in treating moderate acute malnutrition (MAM) in seven of Mozambique's 11 provinces through the national Nutrition Rehabilitation Programme (PRN), given the recent downscale of districts in the central region, and considering the contributions from European Commission (ECHO) and France, WFP is now providing support to 32 districts and 316 health facilities. However, this will be decreased due to lack of funding from July to 24 districts and 23 health facilities. Please refer to a WFP created Tableau dashboard for the project in this [link](#).
- In April, 5,043 children under 5 received Ready-to-Use Supplementary Food (RUSF), and 2,514 pregnant and lactating women received Super Cereal for MAM treatment.

Climate Resilience

- As part of the Integrated Climate Risk Management (ICRM) project, WFP initiated an eco-friendly pest management initiative in February. In April, WFP collected data among household beneficiaries in Tete and Gaza to assess the achievements and learnings of the project until now. The results will be disseminated in the next months.

Smallholder Agriculture Market Support (SAMS)

- In April, WFP's activities were focused on supporting smallholder farmers to reduce post-harvest loss, including mobilization of farmers organizations to respond to the Global Commodity Management Facility (GCMF) procurement initiative.
- As part of the anticipatory action, in April, WFP organized a meeting involving farmer organizations, representatives of the GCMF, and potential traders. A total of 16 farmer organizations composed of over 8,000 smallholder farmers participated in the meeting.

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