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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.

The latest Integrated Food Security Phase Classification (IPC) analysis conducted in September 2020 showed that, there are currently 4 million people (42% of the population) facing acute food insecurity (IPC Phase 3 and above). From March to June 2021, this is projected to increase to 4.4 million people (46% of the population).

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.



Food Imports: over 50% of national requirements

Population: 11 million

In Numbers

1,460 mt of food assistance distributed

USD 3.2m of cash-based transfers made

USD 271m Total Requirements

510,828 people assisted



Operational Updates

Emergency Response

- WFP provided emergency food assistance for 50,063 households (250,315 people) across all ten departments in Haiti.
- Approximately USD 3,065,160 in cash-based transfers and 882 mt of food were distributed with funding from the Haitian Government (funded through the Inter-American Development Bank and World Bank), the Swiss Government and USAID.
- Ten stand-by agreements with implementing partners for cyclone response were renewed or negotiated, as part of WFP's emergency preparedness efforts for the upcoming cyclone season.
- Two additional agreements were signed for emergency interventions in the urban area of Port-au-Prince.

School Feeding

- WFP provided daily hot meals for 253,028 schoolchildren (125,156 girls and 126,872 boys).
- A total of 578 metric tons of food was distributed in 1,295 schools.

Resilience

- The 3rd cycle of distribution related to Food Assistance for Assets (FFA) activities was rolled-out in the North-West department for the communes of Jean-Rabel and Port-de-Paix: 1,497 households (7,485 people) were assisted and approximately USD153,993 were distributed. In the same period, the 5th and 6th cycle of works were completed.
- On April 15, WFP signed a Field Level Agreement (FLA) with Alianza Por la solidaridad (APS) to implement a FFA project in the South Department (Port-Salut and Arnuquet) to assist 1,600 households (8,000 people) through FFA interventions, while promoting agro-ecological practices and the prevention of malnutrition.

Caption: Registration of beneficiaries during a cash distribution in Cap-Haitien (North) © WFP/Elise Gibergues-Newton.

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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	192 m	10.8 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

UNHAS and Logistics

- The United Nations Humanitarian Air Service (UNHAS), which serves the wider humanitarian community, transported 418 passengers and 3,583 kgs of cargo across Haiti.
- WFP received a total of 3,500 mt of commodities to respond to the emergency response scale-up and school meals distribution across the country.
- WFP continued to support the humanitarian community by providing transport and storage services to partners as well as maintenance services for light vehicles.

Monitoring and Vulnerability Analysis

Monitoring and Evaluation

- A first version of an hotline awareness audio message was developed. The final audio messages will be shared with cooperating partners to maximize awareness of the hotline among illiterate audiences.

Vulnerability Analysis and Mapping (VAM)

- VAM initiated the process for conducting the "Market Functionality Index" assessment as part of the "Projet de Protection Sociale Adaptative pour une Résilience Accrue" (PSARA) in the Grand-Anse department. This is the first time that this corporate index is applied in Haiti.

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