



World Food Programme

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WFP in Afghanistan

An Overview of WFP's 2022 Scale-Up Plans

WFP is ramping up assistance for 23 million women, men and children in Afghanistan in 2022 with the aim of averting famine and a humanitarian disaster.

The hunger crisis is unfolding at a rapid speed, with over half of Afghanistan's population of 40 million now facing acute food insecurity—the highest number the humanitarian community has ever seen in the country.

WFP is uniquely positioned to respond to the crisis, drawing from over 60 years of operational experience in Afghanistan. Through a network of 170 trucks, dozens of warehouses and over 85 cooperating partners, WFP delivers food and nutrition assistance to all 34 provinces; this assistance aims to meet humanitarian needs, prevent and treat malnutrition, boost markets and community resilience, encourage school attendance, and support women and girls.

2022 Scale-Up Plans

23M



PEOPLE PLANNED TO BE
REACHED ACROSS 34 PROVINCES

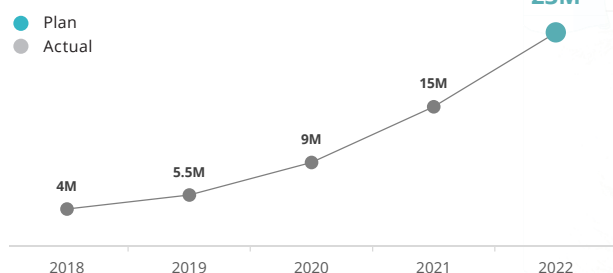
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REQUIRED TO FUND WFP'S
OPERATIONS FOR THE YEAR

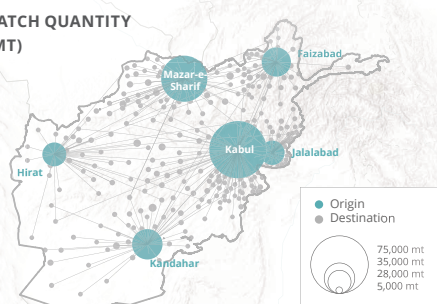
WFP's 2022 scale-up will reach more people than in any previous year. But this will not be possible without timely and adequate funding.

WFP BENEFICIARY REACH



The scale-up will build on an extensive network and experience; in 2021, WFP reached 15 million people across 34 provinces with almost 300,000 mt of food.

WFP DISPATCH QUANTITY
IN 2021 (MT)



HIGHLIGHTED PROGRAMME AREAS IN 2022



EMERGENCY FOOD ASSISTANCE



21m beneficiaries
targeted in 2022



US\$ 1.9b
requirements



US\$ 13.25
pp/month



>13m beneficiaries
reached in 2021

WFP is rolling out an unprecedented scale-up of its emergency food assistance to over 21 million people across all 34 provinces. This will stretch to cover all people facing emergency levels of acute food insecurity and 80 percent of people facing crisis levels. Given the gravity of the situation, WFP will increase the duration and predictability of support (to 8–12 months) for the most vulnerable. WFP is also ramping up its support to urban populations, who are for the first time suffering from food insecurity at similar rates to rural communities. With the crisis likely to precipitate further population movements, WFP provides emergency food assistance to other critical population groups such as internally displaced people, returnees and refugees.



NUTRITION



6.4m beneficiaries
targeted in 2022



US\$ 351m
requirements



US\$ 13.45 / 7.50
pp/month*



>1.8m beneficiaries
reached in 2021

In the face of inaction, more than half of all children under five (3.9 million), and over 800,000 pregnant and lactating women (PLW) could be at risk of suffering from acute malnutrition in 2022. WFP is scaling up to reach 4.8 million people with a malnutrition prevention package, and 1.6 million children under five and PLW with treatment for acute malnutrition as part of its emergency food assistance. Given the challenges women face reaching functioning health centres, WFP is extending its nutrition reach into even more provinces by scaling up mobile health teams four-fold, especially in rural and remote areas.



SCHOOL FEEDING



1m children
targeted in 2022



US\$ 92m
requirements



US\$ 4
pp/month



>250k beneficiaries
reached in 2021

WFP's school feeding programmes continue in the current context, including primary school children with school meals or take-home rations, and secondary school girls with cash-based transfers. WFP plans to scale up these programmes to reach 1 million children in 2022. WFP provides on-site meals plus take-home rations to keep girls in school. WFP will also expand its successful cash-based transfers pilot for secondary school girls to additional provinces where access has been secured, to encourage their continued participation in education. WFP, together with UNICEF, has also supported school feeding in community-based education classes to cover more students in remote and hard-to-reach areas, and is working to expand this support to hundreds more.



RESILIENCE AND LIVELIHOODS



1.1m beneficiaries
targeted in 2022



US\$ 200m
requirements



US \$21
pp/month



>250k beneficiaries
reached in 2021

Work opportunities are shrinking, with most households now reporting just one day of work per week. This comes on top of the worst drought in years, which is especially concerning for the 85 percent of the population who rely on agriculture for livelihoods. Through food assistance for assets activities, WFP provides participants with dignified livelihoods opportunities which build or boost productive assets in their communities (like irrigation canals or roads), while simultaneously meeting the immediate food needs of their families with food or cash assistance. Through vocational skills training activities, WFP supports participants with food or cash assistance while teaching new skills such as auto or mobile phone repair, gardening, fish farming, or carpet weaving.

