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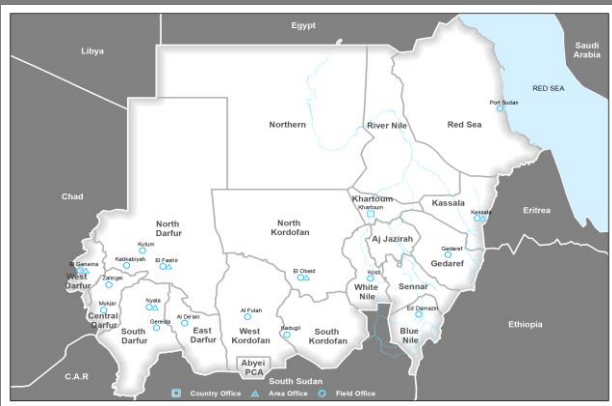


Operational Context

According to [the Comprehensive Food Security and Vulnerability Assessment \(CFSVA\)](#), 15 million people – 34 percent of the population are currently food insecure. This might increase to 18 million people (39 percent of the population) by the third quarter of 2022. (To ascertain the situation, the next update will be conducted in November). This insecurity is driven by the climate-conflict nexus, characterized by political instability, and climate shocks now exacerbated by global crises such as COVID-19 and the war in Ukraine. This “perfect storm” has led to a prolonged economic crisis, inflation, and skyrocketing prices for basic commodities.

In response to these challenges, Sudan Country Strategic Plan (CSP) 2019 – 2023, developed in close collaboration with national partners, is based on five Strategic Outcomes (SO) that incorporate a nexus approach aimed at improving Sudan's capacity to reduce hunger and malnutrition while contributing to the Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 2 (Zero Hunger) and SDG 17 (Partnerships for the Goals).

SO1. Responding to new and protracted emergencies, ensuring that humanitarian programmes are strategically linked to development and peacebuilding; SO2. Reducing malnutrition and its root causes; SO3. Strengthening the resilience of food-insecure households and food systems; SO4. Supporting national systems, humanitarian, and development actors through the provision of services and expertise; and SO5. Strengthening capacity to implement the SDGs.



In Numbers

2.6* million people assisted
in September 2022



11,000* mt of food and nutrition assistance
distributed in September 2022

USD 16 million* cash-based transfers in
September 2022

USD 157 million six months net funding
requirements (October 2022 – March 2023)

Situation Updates

- WFP's market monitor of September indicated that the food prices continue to rise across Sudan. The national average price of the Local Food Basket (LFB) per person per day reached 566 Sudanese Pound during September; an increase of 8.1 percent compared to August, 190 percent higher than the beginning of the year, and 143 percent higher than the same time last year (September 2021). The significant increase in the LFB represents additional operational costs for WFP's Food for Assets (FFA) programs and the local commodity procurement. [Read the full report here.](#)

Operational Updates

- During September, WFP provided food and nutrition assistance to 2.6 million people including emergency food assistance, through 11,000 mt of in-kind food and USD 16 million cash-based transfers (CBT).
- In July 2022, WFP received a generous contribution from the World Bank to implement the Sudan Emergency Safety Nets project (SESNP) which aims to provide cash transfers and food to more than two million people. To date, WFP has reached 1.6 million out of the targeted 2 million people across 10 States and 370 locations with emergency cash and food assistance. Operational challenges include security and access-related constraints impeding distribution in some locations. WFP is implementing mitigation measures as appropriate and plans to reach the project's target by October.
- WFP continues to support refugees with monthly cash and food distributions. In September, 200,000 refugees received assistance in Kassala, Darfur and Kordofan. WFP resumed and expanded its mobile transfer in West Kordofan State after a long pause due to issues with the mobile network operator which has been fixed, reaching a total of 37,400 refugees in the state.
- WFP Food Assistance for Assets (FFA) aim to address immediate food needs through cash, voucher, or food transfers, while simultaneously promoting the building of rehabilitation of assets to improve long-term food security and resilience. In September, WFP distributed cash for 8,000 FFA beneficiaries with USD 67,600 in the El Salam IDP camp in North Darfur State.
- To increase the agricultural production of the most vulnerable populations, WFP distributed 5,570 mt of seeds to 2,300 farmers in Dilling and Al Goz localities in South Kordofan State.

*Data reconciliation is ongoing, therefore numbers are subject to change

Population: 46.7 million

2020 Human Development Index:
170 out of 189

Income Level: Lower middle

Moderate Acute Malnutrition: 2.2
million children under five years

Country Strategic Plan (2019-2022)

Total Requirements 2019-2022 (In USD)	2022 Requirements (In USD)	Six-Month Net Funding Requirements (in USD), (October 2022 – March 2023)
3.0 billion	1.1 billion	157 million

Strategic Result 1: Everyone has access to food

Strategic Outcome #1: People affected by shocks in targeted areas have access to food, nutrition, and livelihoods during/after crises.

Activities:

- Act.1 Provide food and CBT to people affected by shocks
- Act.2 Provide nutrition sensitive programming in schools
- Act.3 Provide preventative and curative nutrition activities to children aged 6-59 months and PLW/G

Strategic Result 2: Ending Malnutrition

Strategic Outcome #2: Food insecure residents in targeted areas have sustainably improved nutrition by 2024.

Activities:

- Act.4 Provide curative and preventative nutrition activities to children aged 6-59 months and PLW/G and capacity strengthening to national and state health institutions
- Act. 5 Provide nutrition-sensitive programming in schools and capacity strengthening support to national and state education institutions

Strategic Result 4: Food Systems are Sustainable

Strategic Outcome #3: Food insecure people in targeted areas and food systems have increased resilience to shocks by 2024.

Activities:

- Act.6 Offer asset creation activities and technical assistance through safety nets to help food insecure households to reduce risk and adapt to climate change
- Act.7 Provide capacity strengthening support to farmers and local, state and national agricultural institutions

Strategic Result 8: Enhance Global Partnership

Strategic Outcome #4: Humanitarian and development actors and national systems have access to expertise, services, and infrastructure in the areas of logistics (including air transport), ICT, administration and infrastructure engineering.

Activities:

- Act.8 Provide technical and support services (Logistics, ICT, administrative and project) to the humanitarian and development community and national entities/systems.
- Act.9 Provide air transport services for personnel and light cargo alongside aviation sector technical assistance.
- Act.10 Provide food procurement to the Government of Sudan and other stakeholders.
- Act. 11 CBT service provision for the Sudan Family Support Programme

Strategic Result 5: Strengthen capacity to implement

Strategic Outcome #5: The social protection system in Sudan ensures that chronically vulnerable populations across the country are able to meet their basic needs all year round

Activities:

- Act. 12 Provide advisory and technical services to federal and state governments and the private sector for strengthening food assistance delivery platforms and national and state systems.

- To tackle post-Harvest loss (PHL), WFP trains smallholder farmers to use improved post-harvest handling methods, combined with simple but effective hermetic storage equipment. In September, WFP conducted a series of trainings for 6,600 stallholder farmers on PHL in five localities within East Darfur State and distributed 26,440 hermetic bags (four per person), 6,600 tarpaulin (one per person) and 6,600 training manuals to the participants.
- WFP conducted a workshop on Protection from Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (PSEA) for 45 WFP staff and cooperating partners in Gedaref State, with the aim of raising the awareness on WFP PSEA policies and reporting mechanism.

Service Provision

- WFP provides air transport support services for humanitarian personnel and light cargo in support of lifesaving programmes through the United Nations Humanitarian Air Service (UNHAS). In September, 2,366 passengers were transported from 77 partner organizations reaching 27 destinations. A total of 7.88 MT of light humanitarian cargo was delivered to targeted locations.

Visits and Events

- WFP Country Director alongside UNICEF and UNHCR Representatives in Sudan undertook a joint mission to Europe to advocate for a coordinated and effective humanitarian response in Sudan. The joint delegation discussed ways forward on bridging the gap between humanitarian, development, and peace. In addition, conversations focused on improving livelihoods and building the resilience of the most vulnerable people in Sudan.
- WFP hosted a roundtable discussion on Food Security and Peace as part of Peace Day events organized by the United Nations in Sudan. The objective of the meeting was to spark a discussion among the stakeholders around the interconnection between food security and peace in Sudan.

Funding Situation

- In September, WFP and UNICEF launched a new joint programme to strengthen resilience and social cohesion among communities in Darfur. The four-year joint programme is funded by the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) through the KfW German Development Bank. [Read the Joint Press Release Here.](#)
- Due to severe funding shortfall for nutrition activities, WFP will be forced to reduce its intervention from 165 localities to 45, effective for the 2022 cycle (mid-October to end of December). This will affect 783 of its supported nutrition centres, impacting the lifesaving treatment and increase the risk of severe malnutrition and potentially death among 50 percent of the current 1.7 Moderate Acute Malnutrition (MAM) children and Pregnant and breastfeeding Women (PLW) WFP is supporting. WFP is coordinating with the nutrition sector, partners, and core donors to urgently mobilize resources.
- In 2021-2022 school academic year, WFP reached 1.9 million school children through its School Feeding Program across 14 States of Sudan. However, the program is currently facing funding gaps for the upcoming academic year (2022-2023). WFP continues to engage with donors to support vulnerable children through the school feeding programme.

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