Regional Bureau for Eastern Africa

United Nations Humanitarian Air Service (UNHAS)

2022 Regional Achievements and Outlook

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Enabling Humanitarian Response (UNHAS)

The United Nations Humanitarian Air Service (UNHAS), managed by the World Food Programme (WFP), offers safe, reliable, cost-efficient, and effective passenger and light cargo transport for the wider humanitarian community, to and from areas of crisis and intervention. It is the only humanitarian air service that gives equal access to all humanitarian entities, supporting UN agencies, non-governmental organizations (NGOs), and other humanitarian partners.

In 2022, UNHAS remained a vital enabler of humanitarian response to the wider humanitarian community by providing timely and reliable air transport. UNHAS facilitated humanitarian access to the most remote and challenging locations, often under precarious security conditions, where no safe surface transport or viable commercial aviation options were available. It operated in the region's areas affected by natural disasters such as drought and floods) and conflict, specifically in South Sudan, Ethiopia, Sudan, Somalia, and Kenya.
UNHAS performance figures 2022

- Passengers transported: 111,954
- Cargo transported: 190,042 MT
- Destinations reached: 72
- User organizations served: 545
- Fleet: 28

**UNHAS South Sudan**
- Operating since 2011
- Passengers transported: 72,229
- Cargo transported: 2,233 MT
- Destinations reached: 50
- User organizations served: 12
- Medevacs performed: 98

**UNHAS Sudan**
- Operating since 2004
- Passengers transported: 26,342
- Cargo transported: 73.66 MT
- Destinations reached: 100
- User organizations served: 36
- Medevacs performed: 6

**UNHAS Ethiopia**
- Operating since 2008
- Passengers transported: 8,018
- Cargo transported: 16,758 MT
- Destinations reached: 8
- User organizations served: 54
- Medevacs performed: 100

**UNHAS Kenya**
- Operating since 2012
- Passengers transported: 8,169
- Cargo transported: 41 MT
- Destinations reached: 13
- User organizations served: 55
- Medevacs performed: 6

**UNHAS Somalia**
- Operating since 2007
- Passengers transported: 16,831
- Cargo transported: 1,936 MT
- Destinations reached: 30
- User organizations served: 16
- Medevacs performed: 6

Note: (same fleet used for Somalia)
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