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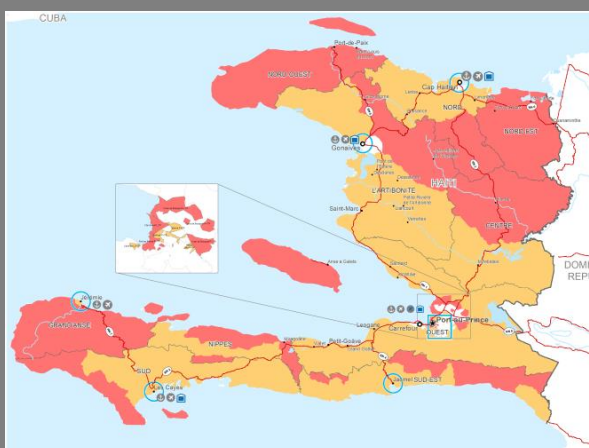
WFP Haiti Country Brief May 2023



Cash distribution as part of WFP's emergency activities in the Port-au-Prince metropolitan area © WFP / Tanya Birkbeck

Operational Context

Haiti ranks 170 out of 189 countries on the 2020 Human Development Index. The country has one of the world's highest levels of chronic food insecurity, 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. The latest **Integrated Food Security Phase Classification (IPC)** results of March 2023 show that almost half the population in Haiti, or 4.9 million people, are food insecure (IPC3+), an increase of 200,000 people compared to the previous analysis of September 2022. In addition, 1.8 million people are in IPC 4 (Emergency). Compared to the September analysis, in which 19,200 people were in IPC 5 (Catastrophe), there were no records of people in IPC 5 thanks to sustained humanitarian support. This remains a fragile victory as any disruption to humanitarian support could deepen hunger. 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."



IPC Food Security Classification
September 2022 - February 2023

- No data
- Minimal (Phase 1)
- Stressed (Phase 2)
- Emergency (Phase 4)

Country Office

- Country Office
- Sub Office

National Capital

- Major Town
- Intermediate Town
- Small town

International Air Connection

- National Air Connection
- Port

International Boundary

- Departmental Boundary
- Primary Road
- River

WFP Warehouse

Food Imports: **over 80 percent of rice is imported**

Population: **11 million**

2021 Human Development Index: **163 out of 191 countries**

Global acute malnutrition prevalence: **7,2% nationally**

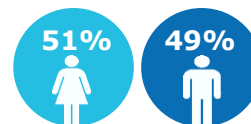
In Numbers

1,423 mt of food assistance distributed*

USD 10 m cash-based transfers made*

USD 122.9 six-month (June - November 2023) net funding requirements, representing 62% of total

841,530 people assisted* in May 2023



*Preliminary numbers

Operational Updates

- In May, WFP reached 841,530 beneficiaries with USD 10 million in cash-based transfers (CBT) and 1,423 mt in food. The amount of CBT distributed over the month is an all-time record for the WFP Haiti country office, underscoring its delivery capacity.
- As part of its emergency response, WFP transferred USD 8.8 million to 333,850 people in the Artibonite, Centre, Nippes, Nord, Nord-Est, Nord-Ouest, Ouest, Sud and Sud-Est departments. In addition, WFP distributed 241.6 mt of food commodities to 36,590 people in the Ouest and Nord departments. WFP also resumed its hot meals assistance in two towns at the border with the Dominican Republic on 15 May and distributed 8,826 hot meals throughout the month.
- Under the school feeding programme, WFP reached 407,353 school children with 1,177 mt in the Artibonite, Grand'Anse, Centre, Nord, Nord-Est, Nord-Ouest, Ouest, Sud-Est, Nippes and Sud departments. This included 168,128 school children assisted through the home-grown school feeding programme with 534 mt of food.
- As part of WFP's resilience activities, 5,150 people conducted rehabilitation activities and construction of community assets in the departments of Artibonite, Grand'Anse, Nord, Nord-Est and Sud. A total of USD 499,758 was distributed to the participants and their family members (25,750 people in total).
- In addition, under the nutrition activities, 7,225 children were screened for malnutrition, of which 275 were found malnourished and referred to health centers for their care. 14,135 people also participated in awareness-raising sessions on hygiene, nutrition and malnutrition.
- Furthermore, WFP supported the Ministry of Social Affairs and Labor in implementing the Adaptive Social Protection for Increased Resilience project (social protection), assisting 98,120 people with USD 782,335 in the Grand'Anse department.

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Country Strategic Plan (2019 - 2023)

| Total Requirements (in USD) | Allocated Contributions (in USD) | Six Month Net Funding Requirements (in USD) |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|---|
| 830 m | 446.8 m | 122.9 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***Activity 1:** 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***Activity 2:** Design, implement and strengthen nutritious-sensitive safety nets for vulnerable populations**Activity 3:** 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***Activity 4:** Develop and improve local production by strengthening smallholder farmers' access to markets**Activity 5:** 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***Activity 6:** 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***Activity 7:** Provide policy support and technical assistance to national stakeholders in areas of social protection, disaster risk management fortification and local production**Strategic Result 8: Sharing of knowledge, expertise and technology strengthen global partnership to country efforts to achieve the SDGs****Strategic Outcome 6: The Government and humanitarian and development actors have access to services on demand all year***Focus area: Resilience building***Activity 8:** Provide on demand supply chain, targeting, beneficiary management and CBT delivery services to the Government, as well as humanitarian and development actors**Strategic Outcome 7: The Government as well as humanitarian actors have access to common services to ensure an effective response during times of crisis***Focus area: Crisis Response***Activity 9:** Provide logistics coordination of common services and platforms to humanitarian partners**Activity 10:** Provide humanitarian air services to partners

- WFP, in partnership with the General Directorate of Civil Protection and the Hydrometeorological unit of Haiti, organized a two-day workshop in Port-au-Prince on anticipatory action related to the risks of floods and hurricane, bringing together approximately 30 participants from the Government, Civil Society and United Nations Agencies. Anticipatory actions were recognized as crucial due to the country's vulnerability to extreme weather events. Specific activities like anticipatory cash transfers were identified as effective measures to be implemented under anticipatory schemes. Capacity building and simulation exercises were proposed to strengthen integration of anticipatory actions into the national disaster risk management system.
- Through its maritime service, WFP transported 386 mt of cargo over 29 voyages supporting 9 partners in May.

Monitoring

- As of 31 May 2023, there are 44,642 suspected cases of cholera, of which 2,988 are confirmed and 41,122 are hospitalized. All ten departments of Haiti have reported cases, and there have been 714 confirmed deaths since the beginning of the epidemic in October 2022.
- According to a report by WFP Haiti Research, Assessment and Monitoring (RAM) unit, the food situation has deteriorated during the first three months of 2023 in Haiti, with approximately 7.4 million people having insufficient food consumption in April nationwide, nearly 580,000 more people than three months earlier.
- The RAM unit also warned of abnormally dry conditions which have affected Haiti. Prolonged rainfall deficits and a delay in the onset of the rainy season have had an impact on the spring agricultural seasons, which accounts for approximately half of the annual national production.

Challenges

- The security situation in Haiti is still impacting WFP's capacity to deliver assistance to vulnerable people. In addition, due to fighting in May in the south of Port-au-Prince, the maritime service was interrupted for 48 hours.

Donors

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