WFP works in Ukraine to support populations affected by the war. Our programmes are designed to restore and stabilise economic activity and food systems, as well as sustain and strengthen institutional services and safety nets to reduce vulnerability in the longer term.

11 million people estimated to be food insecure

Up to 2 in 3 people are food insecure in frontline areas

10 million supported by WFP in 2022

We bring food to people living in frontline areas where it is hard to find. We also provide food to institutions such as hospitals or orphanages.

We distribute cash to people affected by the war, and complement the Government’s social assistance programmes.

We support the Government’s National School Feeding programme by funding daily hot meals in schools.

We survey small-scale agricultural land for the presence of mines and other remnants of war, and support its release for food production.

85% of food distributions are in frontline areas

90% of food distributed is bought locally

$3.4M invested to support the Government’s digitalisation of social assistance
Achievements

2 BILLION MEALS
Distributed since April 2022
(through food and cash assistance)
- Restore

US$500M
Distributed in cash since April 2022
- Restore

$1 BILLION
Invested in the economy
through local procurement, partnerships with food producers and retailers, cash assistance and grain exports.
- Stabilize

1,000 TRUCKS
Of food distributed on average every month
- Stabilize

24 VESSELS
Chartered to export Ukrainian grain to countries in need
- Stabilize

Challenges

ACCESS
Despite frequent requests sent jointly by WFP and other UN agencies, we have not been able to access areas under the temporary military control of the Russian Federation.

SECURITY
Civilian infrastructure, including infrastructure used to store or distribute humanitarian assistance, has been targeted and damaged by strikes.

WINTER
Winter weather greatly increases vulnerability and needs, which is worsened by attacks on energy infrastructure.

MOVEMENTS
War dynamics and changes in the frontline are hard to predict and can cause sudden displacement and surges in needs, making operational flexibility particularly critical.

“THIS PROGRAMME GIVES US THE OPPORTUNITY TO DELIVER BREAD TO PEOPLE WHO CANNOT AFFORD IT, AND VILLAGES WHERE THERE IS NO ELECTRICITY, GAS OR WATER.”

Alyona leads a bakery in Mykolaiv city that was contracted by WFP to deliver bread to the Mykolaiv and Kherson regions. The contract helped keep her bakery running at the height of the energy crisis.

We typically start distributions within 48 hours after new areas become accessible

Despite security and access challenges, we distribute most of our food within 30km of the frontline.