



WFP Somalia

2023 Annual Country Report overview

WFP is committed to Zero Hunger in Somalia. As the largest humanitarian organization in the country, WFP works with Government, sister United Nations agencies and the wider humanitarian and development community to save lives at risk from hunger and malnutrition during crises. This is complemented by longer-term investment to change lives by building the resilience of Somalia's people and institutions against recurrent climate shocks and other crises in the future, breaking the cycle of dependence on humanitarian aid.

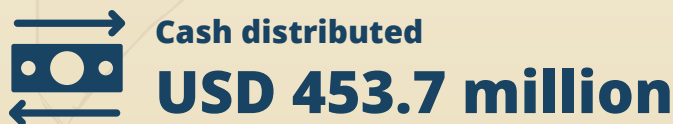
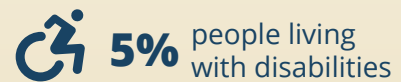
WFP implemented a range of activities in 2023, reaching 10.6 million people (52 percent women) through USD 453.7 million of cash-based transfers (CBT), 76,966 mt of in-kind food assistance and capacity strengthening initiatives.

To address substantial humanitarian needs and save lives, WFP delivered lifesaving humanitarian food assistance by optimizing resources to reach the most in need. Insufficient funding during the year necessitated a reduction in relief interventions. General food assistance delivered in the form of CBT and in-kind support reached 7.4 million people. WFP also coordinated with the Government and food security organizations for streamlined delivery of emergency relief assistance.

WFP further contributed to longer-term development gains by channeling investments towards its changing lives agenda to help achieve community-level resilience, self-sustainability, enhanced human capital and reduced dependency on humanitarian aid. Under the Government-led national safety nets programme, WFP provided cash-based transfers benefiting 1.2 million people and enabling improved food security, self-reliance and shock resilience. To complement famine prevention efforts in early 2023, the programme expanded to assist 2 million people over six months. In addition, Under the home-grown school feeding programme, in collaboration with the Ministry of Education, supported 197,000 students (47 percent girls) with locally sourced meals.

Comprehensive packages of livelihood support and investments on climate-smart food systems reached 314,000 people reinforcing vulnerable communities' capacity to withstand shocks and address underlying causes of food insecurity and malnutrition.

People reached in 2023, all programmes



2023 performance against country strategic plan


All of WFP's work in Somalia is guided by its 2022-2025 country strategic plan (CSP). Launched at the beginning of 2022, the CSP was developed in consultation with Government and aligns with Somalia's ninth National Development Plan, the United Nations Sustainable Development Cooperation Framework and the Humanitarian Response Plan. It is centred on five integrated strategic outcomes encompassing WFP's commitment to crisis response and long-term resilience.


STRATEGIC OUTCOME 1




FOOD & NUTRITION SECURITY DURING CRISIS

People affected by natural or manmade disasters have access to adequate food and nutrition to meet their basic needs, during and after shocks.

 **7.4 million**
crisis-affected people received life-saving food and cash-based transfers.

 **510,000**
flood-affected people received cash transfers and one-off delivery of fortified biscuits.

 **2.8 million**
pregnant and breastfeeding women, children and TB/HIV patients received nutrition support.


 **USD 3 million**
transferred to 51,000 people affected by the Laas Caanood conflict.

STRATEGIC OUTCOME 2




HUMAN CAPITAL, SOCIAL PROTECTION

Vulnerable people have improved nutrition and resilience, and can access integrated basic social services and Government-owned social protection to build human capital and respond to shocks.

 **1.2 million**
people benefited from unconditional predictable cash transfers under the National Safety Net for Human Capital Project.

 **197,000**
school-aged children (47 percent girls) received home-grown nutritious meals.

 **60,000**
children under five and more than 33,000 PBWGs received specialized nutritious food for prevention and treatment of malnutrition.

 **162,000**
women trained on digital financial literacy and mobile money.

STRATEGIC OUTCOME 3



CLIMATE-SMART FOOD SYSTEMS

National institutions, smallholder farmers, food- and nutrition- insecure people, and the private sector benefit from climate-smart, productive, inclusive livelihoods and food systems by 2030.

 **218,000**
people (59 percent women) received cash based transfers worth USD 2.7 million through the anticipatory action programme.

FFA 78,000
people participated in and benefited from conditional cash assistance under food assistance for assets projects

 **10,500**
smallholder farmers' (40 percent women) capacities strengthened and resilience enhanced across 42 smallholder farmer cooperatives.


 **USD 114,300**
saved through village saving loans association (VSLA) benefitting 7,500 people, 57 percent of whom were women.

STRATEGIC OUTCOME 4



INSTITUTIONAL CAPACITY STRENGTHENING

National institutions and subnational government agencies benefit from strengthened capacities, policies, and systems by 2025.

 **6** capacity strengthening initiatives implemented for 5 government ministries at the national level.

 Technical support provided to Somaliland authorities for a transition roadmap towards national ownership of malnutrition treatment programme.


 **22** trainings delivered to Ministries to develop technical skills on integrated malnutrition management and infant and maternal health and nutrition.

STRATEGIC OUTCOME 5




HUMANITARIAN AIR & LOGISTICS SERVICES

The humanitarian and development community is better able to reach vulnerable people and respond to needs and emergencies throughout the year.

 **808**
mt of cargo delivered and **19,431** passengers flown by UNHAS on behalf of **105** humanitarian partners reaching **39** regular and ad-hoc locations.

 **570**
mt of urgent light humanitarian cargo transported on behalf of partners responding to the floods.

 **15**
boats transported by UNHAS via helicopters on behalf of the logistics cluster to flood-affected locations.

 **3,300**
mt of cargo transported to 30 locations on behalf of 24 organizations by the logistics cluster.

Extensive footprint: 14 offices

+ one liaison office in Nairobi

Banadir: Mogadishu CO and AO

Galmudug: Galkayo AO, Dhusamareeb SO

Hirshabelle: Beletweyne SO, Jowhar SO

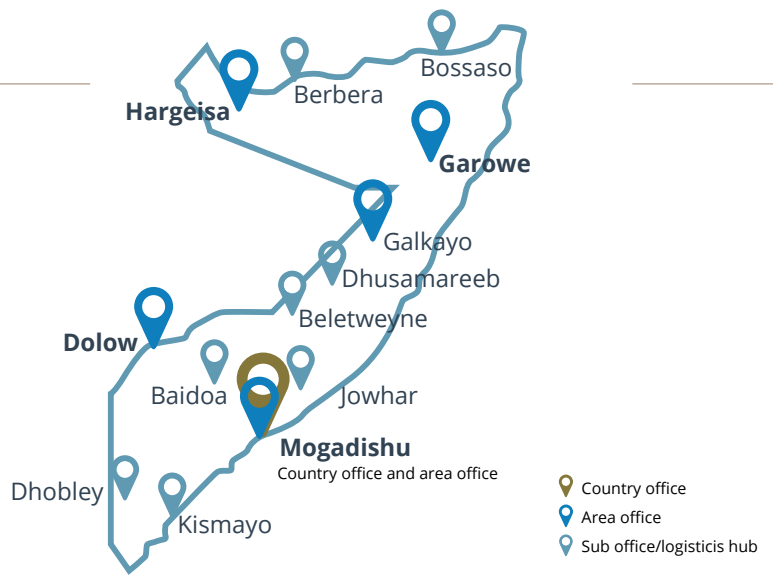
Jubaland: Dolow AO, Kismayo SO, Dhobley logistics hub

Puntland: Garowe AO, Galkayo SO, Bossaso SO

Somaliland: Hargeisa AO, Berbera logistics hub

South West: Baidoa SO

CO = country office, AO = area office, SO = sub-office



Partnerships

WFP leverages its partnerships with the Federal Government of Somalia, government donors, international financial institutions, private sector, international and local NGOs and UN agencies to advance its mandate of saving lives and changing lives. Guided by its country strategic plan, WFP harnessed existing and newly formed partnerships to respond to humanitarian crises such as drought, floods, conflict, and political instability, and address the root causes of food insecurity, malnutrition and vulnerability with a longer-term sustainable development perspective.

The Government of Somalia has been a notable donor for WFP since 2022 with contributions toward social protection activities. Further leveraging its strategic engagement with international financial institutions, WFP continued supporting the Government through the World Bank-funded national safety net for human capital project. This partnership paved the way for additional funding for cash-based transfers for vulnerable populations, strengthening social protection systems in Somalia.

WFP collaborated with various UN agencies to deliver joint programmes as well as for joint fundraising and advocacy. WFP partnered with UNICEF and FAO to deliver a joint resilience program in the Gedo region, with a new programme set to begin in the Puntland and Galmudug States in 2024. Furthermore, with funding from the Somalia Joint Fund, WFP is also partnering with UNFPA, UNSOM, UN Women and WHO to enhance the economic autonomy and human rights of marginalised women and girls.

Our donors



WFP is implementing the Shock Responsive Safety Net for Human Capital which is a government-led initiative financed by the World Bank

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