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In Numbers



22,231 people assisted

74 mt of food assistance distributed

US\$ 53,000 cash-based transfers made

US\$ 4.5 million net funding requirements for the next 6 months (November 2024 - April 2025)

Operational Context

Although rich in natural resources, Guinea faces significant socioeconomic challenges. The poverty rate is alarming, and a large share of the country's 13.9 million inhabitants remain food insecure and malnourished, with limited access to basic education and health services, especially in rural areas. Malnutrition remains a pressing concern in Guinea and the main underlying cause of infant and child mortality.

The March 2024 Cadre Harmonisé analysis indicated that 2,771,971 people (33.9 percent of the population) are 'under pressure', and 828,708 people (29.9 percent) are in 'crisis', with a potential shift of 1,025,13 people (7.4 percent of the population) to 'emergency' food security status in the 2024 June-August lean season.

WFP has been active in Guinea since 1964, improving food and nutrition security, while boosting sustainable agricultural development. In response to a deteriorating food security situation, WFP's new Country Strategic Plan (CSP) 2024-2029 will continue to support the Government of Guinea in meeting the growing needs of vulnerable people, particularly in rural areas.



Population: 13.9 million

2024 Human Development Index: 181 out of 193

Income Level: Lower middle

Chronic malnutrition: 25.5 percent of children between 6-59 months

Operational Updates

- As of October, 175,797 individuals from 23,760 households, including 7,949 pregnant and breastfeeding women were affected by flooding in Guinea. WFP will be part of the joint UN CERF proposal to assist flood-affected people.
- In October, the County Director conducted field missions to the leading *Zero Hunger Villages* across the 8 field offices. These missions aimed to assess the performance of WFP's country sub-offices and the *Zero Hunger Villages*, and help identify strengths and areas for improvement, and guide the ongoing restructuring of the country office.
- WFP initiated an emergency local purchase of 203 mt of rice to address a gap in the food commodity basket. This purchase will enable WFP to support the planned 47,172 students, including 5,284 through the Cash-Based Transfer Home-Grown School Feeding modality, which will be implemented in 320 schools for the new term of the 2024-2025 school year.
- WFP provided financial and technical support to train 36 health workers responsible for nutrition activities, including heads of health centres and the prefectural nutrition focal point of Gueckedou. The training focused on supplementing moderately acute malnourished children and preventing chronic malnutrition among children aged 0 to 24 months.
- WFP, in collaboration with the National Agency for Health Security (ANSS), the National Agency for Urban and Community Health (ANGUCH), and the Directorate General of Customs (DGD), organized a workshop to revise the operational guide for receiving emergency aid. The revised guide aims to streamline procedures, reduce delays, and ensure that aid reaches those in need more swiftly and efficiently.
- UNHAS transported a total of 215 passengers (49 women) and 0.2 mt of light cargo** between Conakry, Nzérékoré, Siguiiri and Kissidougou in support of the Government and the humanitarian community.

Country Strategic Plan (2024-2029)

Total Requirements (US\$)	Total Received (US\$)
143.5 million	28.6 million
2024 Requirements (US\$) (Jul 2024–Dec 2024)	Six-Month Net Funding Requirements (in US\$) (Nov 2024–Apr 2025)
17.8 million	4.5 million

Strategic Result 1: People are better able to meet their urgent food and nutrition needs

Strategic Outcome 1: Crisis-affected populations in Guinea can meet their basic and urgent food and nutrition needs before, during and in the aftermath of shocks, by 2029.

Focus area: Crisis Response

Activities:

- Provide food and nutrition assistance package mainly to crisis-affected populations.

Strategic Result 2: People have better nutrition, health and education outcomes

Strategic Outcome 2: Children, pregnant or breastfeeding women and girls, vulnerable populations, and people at risk of malnutrition in Guinea benefit from better access to healthy diets and essential services to improve their health, nutritional and educational status by 2029.

Focus area: Resilience Building

Activities:

- Provide nutritious school meals and foster complementary health and nutrition interventions for improved health, nutrition and education outcomes.
- Provide an integrated nutrition prevention package for populations that are at risk of malnutrition and strengthen community-level nutrition services.

Strategic Result 3: People have improved and sustainable livelihoods

Strategic Outcome 3: Communities whose livelihoods are at risk in Guinea, including smallholder farmers and other nutrition-sensitive value-chain actors, have improved livelihoods and increased resilience to climate change and other socioeconomic shocks by 2029.

Focus area: Resilience Building

Activities:

- Provide integrated support to smallholder farmers and other value chain actors to develop climate-resilient and nutrition-sensitive value chains.

Strategic Result 4: National programmes and systems are strengthened

Strategic Outcome 4: National systems, institutions and actors have strengthened capacities to achieve zero hunger, tackle vulnerability and develop the human capital of Guinea by 2029.

Focus area: Resilience Building

Activities:

- Provide capacity strengthening support to national institutions and systems, in the development and implementation of management systems for food security, nutrition, social protection and emergency preparedness and response.

Strategic Result 5: Humanitarian and development actors are more efficient and effective

Strategic Outcome 5: Humanitarian, development and government partners have access to reliable transport and logistics services to support vulnerable people effectively and efficiently.

Focus area: Crisis Response

Activities:

- Provide air transport services and technical assistance to governmental, humanitarian and development partners.
- Provide on-demand services and technical assistance to governmental, humanitarian and development partners.

Partnerships

- WFP entered into a strategic agreement with the Korea Partnership for Innovation of Agriculture (KOPIA), and facilitated collaboration between KOPIA and the Government of Guinea, through the Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock (MAGEL). This partnership aims to enhance food security and agricultural sustainability in Guinea by increasing the production of high-quality rice seeds, targeting 1,800 tonnes.
- WFP signed two strategic agreements with FAO and UNICEF, strengthening collaboration within the humanitarian community towards advancing the Zero Hunger Village project and achieving zero hunger in Guinea. Through the agreement with FAO, WFP will focus on transforming agri-food systems to make them more resilient and sustainable. This collaboration will empower small producers with the necessary tools and knowledge to improve their productivity. The partnership with UNICEF will support the Government of Guinea's efforts in combating malnutrition by improving education and protection for vulnerable populations and enhancing basic social services.

Voices from the field



Aminata TRAORE from Farabana, Kankan, was married into a poor family at 16. She was left pregnant and ill when her husband went to the mines. WFP's arrival in her village brought critical nutrition support, aiding her to recover and safely deliver her child. Through the '1000 Days' project, her child received necessary supplements, preventing malnutrition. In addition, the

introduction of drying machines and mills in the village, and financial support from WFP enabled her to start a small business, transforming her life and easing her workload significantly. Aminata expressed immense gratitude for WFP's inclusive approach, which not only aided her village but also neighbouring communities.

Donors

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