



World Food Programme

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## In Numbers



**10,639 people** supported with emergency food assistance through e-vouchers

**12,288 school children** assisted with hot nutritious meals

**US\$ 5.4 million** six-month net funding requirements (Feb – Jul 2025)

## Operational Context

Togo, one of the smallest countries in West Africa, is located on the Gulf of Guinea, neighbouring Benin, Burkina Faso, and Ghana. The Lomé port and transport corridor is crucial for the country's economic growth, facilitating the supply of goods to landlocked countries (Burkina Faso, Mali, and Niger) and providing 75 per cent of humanitarian products to Sahelian and several coastal countries.

Togo's food and nutrition insecurity are linked to its low agricultural productivity, high population growth, climate crisis impact, land degradation, widespread poverty, and gender inequality in accessing resources. Since 2022, the Sahel's deteriorating security situation – including attacks on Government defence forces and civilian population – has triggered cross-border movements and internal displacements of populations. The lasting effects of COVID-19 and the Ukraine crisis have compounded issues and exacerbated food insecurity for many people.

WFP has been present in Togo since 1968. Under the 2022–2026 Country Strategic Plan, WFP provides essential food assistance to crisis-affected populations and promotes inclusive and resilient food systems through the implementation of a home-grown school feeding model linked to local smallholder farmers. This is possible thanks to the contributions from the Government of Togo and other donors.



Population: **8.8 million**

2023 Human Development Index:  
**Ranked 163 out of 193 countries**

Income Level: **Lower**

Chronic malnutrition: **23.8 percent of children aged 6 to 59 months**

## Operational Updates

- The **October 2024 Cadre Harmonisé** analysis indicates that **621,723 people face severe acute food insecurity (IPC 3+)**. Projections suggest that **624,560 people** may experience acute food insecurity in the **2025 lean season** (June – August) if no assistance is provided.
- The northernmost **Savanes region is the worst affected** by crisis levels of acute food insecurity. The people in **IPC phase 3+** are **175,063** between October and December 2024 (14.3 percent of the total population) and are expected to increase to **225,129** during the lean season (18.3 percent).
- The **spillover** of the **Sahel conflict** has caused an **influx of refugees** into Northern Togo and has **internally displaced** thousands of people. Overall, **39,436 refugees and asylum seekers** and **10,171 IDPs** have been identified and/or registered by the Government and UNHCR **as of October 2024**.

## Emergency Food and Nutrition Assistance

- In January, WFP continued its **e-voucher pilot** with a second operation that reached **10,639 vulnerable people** in the Savanes region. Each family received an e-voucher worth XOF 40,000 maximum, depending on the household size, in line with the Minimum Expenditure Basket (MEB) calculation for Togo.
- Through this intervention, WFP's provided vulnerable **people access to diversified foods**, while also **supporting the local economy**. By strengthening its capacity to deliver assistance through different modalities, WFP not only **improves its cost effectiveness**, but also ensures that people receive assistance in a **safe, dignified** way that is **adapted to their needs**.

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**Photo caption:** Food assistance through e-voucher in Dapaong, in the Savanes region  
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Country Strategic Plan (CSP 2022–2026)	
Total Requirements (US\$)	Total Received (US\$)
<b>108.6 million</b>	<b>38.8 million</b>
2025 Requirements (US\$)	Six-month Net Funding Requirements (US\$) (Feb–Jul 2025)
<b>36.4 million</b>	<b>5.4 million</b>

## Strategic Result 1: Everyone has access to food

**Strategic Outcome 1:** Crisis-affected populations in targeted areas have access to basic food and nutrition during and in the aftermath of crises.

**Focus area:** *Crisis Response*

### Activities:

- Provide unconditional support to populations affected by crisis and strengthen systems for crisis preparedness and response.

## Strategic Result 4: Food systems are sustainable

**Strategic Outcome 2:** Targeted communities in Togo, with a focus on smallholder farmers and children, have strengthened livelihoods and are resilient to shocks by 2026.

**Focus area:** *Resilience Building*

### Activities:

- Provide technical support to the development of an integrated locally sourced home-grown school feeding model.
- Facilitate equitable access to markets at the national level and provide technical assistance to smallholder farmers and food value chain entities, including in the context of home-grown school feeding.
- Support early recovery and stabilization programmes of vulnerable crisis-affected people, through strengthening the capacity of communities and increasing local economic opportunities

## Strategic Result 8: Global Partnership support

**Strategic Outcome 3:** Government entities, humanitarian and development partners in Togo have access to efficient services and technical assistance throughout the year.

**Focus area:** *Crisis Response*

### Activities:

- Provide technical assistance and on-demand services to government entities and other partners including for the transportation, storage and distribution of food and non-food items.
- Provide aviation and air operation services to government and humanitarian partners.

## Home Grown School Feeding

- Through its **home-grown school feeding** programme, **WFP provided meals to 12,288 students** across **50 public primary schools** in **northern Togo**. Complementary activities, such as **school gardens** managed by community members continued to support school canteens with fresh vegetables and fruits.

## Resilience building

- A total of **2,416 households received US\$ 118,000 in cash transfers** as part of the **Food Assistance for Assets (FFA)** scheme implemented in November 2024. This work included the continuation of the construction of the **Yoakpate, Sanfatoute, and Nanoum water reservoirs**; the continuation of **plant production (nursery)**; the maintenance of **planted seedlings; reforestation**; and the completion of **feeder roads** in **Nadjoundi, Tabi Moba, and Tantoga 2**.

## Supply Chain

- WFP completed the **assessment of retailers** involved in the e-voucher pilot program in January. On **average, retailers scored 86 percent**, reflecting strong compliance against criteria such as pricing regulation, food and safety quality and storage among the others. However, **the service rate**, which measures the overall conditions in which beneficiaries are served, was only **56 percent**. This is primarily due to providers offering only a limited selection of products within each commodity category. The next assessment is scheduled for April 2025.

## Challenges

- The implementation of **FFA** activities faces significant challenges due to a **lack of funding for 2025**, jeopardizing WFP's ability to meet its targets. WFP is currently at risk of reducing the scope of its FFA activities, limiting support for agricultural infrastructure, community asset creation, and resilience-building initiatives.

## Donors

Donors to WFP Togo's Country Strategic Plan (CSP) 2022-2026 include Australia, China, ECOWAS, the European Commission, France, GIZ, KFW, the Mastercard Foundation, Sodexo, Government of Togo, the United States Agency for International Development's (USAID) Bureau for Humanitarian Assistance (BHA), and WFP internal funds.