



World Food Programme

SAVING
LIVES
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2024 ANNUAL COUNTRY REPORT OVERVIEW

WFP COLOMBIA

In 2024, the World Food Programme's needs assessment ([EFSA, May 2024](#)) **reported that 13 million Colombians are in a situation of moderate or severe food insecurity (25% of the population)**, an improvement of 5% compared to the previous year*. Meanwhile, the latest migrant's needs assessment ([EFSA, November 2024](#)) shows that 37% of migrants with intention to settle are food insecure, an improvement of 15% from the previous assessment**. However, **72% of migrants without permanent residence** continue to face limitations in accessing food.

The humanitarian situation showed a deterioration in 2024 compared to the previous year, **with 8.3 million people in need of humanitarian assistance**, of whom 7.3 million were in a situation of food and nutritional insecurity, according to the [Humanitarian Needs Overview of Colombia, 2024](#).

The compounded impact of **violence, armed conflict, mixed migration, economic recession, climatic events, and ecosystem degradation** have affected the livelihoods of millions of people, especially women and girls, Indigenous and Afro-Colombian communities, and people with disabilities.

WFP continued to be the largest humanitarian actor in the country, deploying emergency humanitarian assistance in remote and conflict-affected locations, while implementing triple nexus **interventions through early recovery, resilience, and peacebuilding projects**.

Throughout its operations, WFP supported **the Government** in achieving the **Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) 2 (Zero Hunger)** and **17 (Partnerships for the Goals)**

THE PEOPLE WE SERVED



722,677
Total beneficiaries



45% women



408,747

Colombian population

(including returnees, conflict-affected and impacted by climate events, School Feeding, small-holder farmers and beneficiaries of climate change programmes)



313,930

Migrants and refugees receiving humanitarian assistance and support to their Socioeconomic integration



158 municipalities
23 departments

WFP presence



Country Office



Area Office



Satellite Office

Number of beneficiaries



More than 100,000



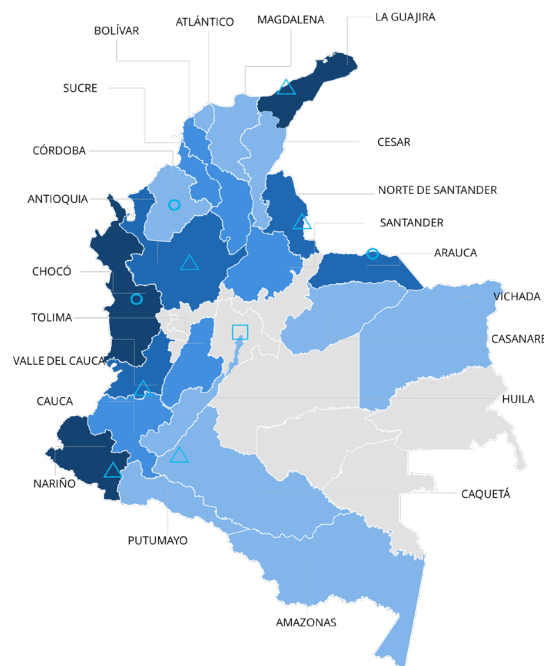
30,001 - 100,000



10,001 - 30,000



Less than 10,000



Breakdown of our beneficiaries



24%

Women



21%

Girls



23%

Boys



32%

Men



9% Persons with disabilities

OUR ASSISTANCE



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81% of food was locally produced, 59% of tuna comes from Ecuador, 100% of Lentils come from Canada. **All food commodities were locally procured.**

USD 27 million















Transferred through cash and vouchers

* The EFSA (May 2024) assessed the food security situation of Colombian households, while the previous EFSA (July 2023) also included the migrant and refugee population in Colombia.





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OPERATIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS





Type of intervention

-  Early recovery.
-  Adaptation to climate change
-  Strengthening of livelihoods
-  Assistance to disaster affected populations
-  Assistance to migrant population
-  Assistance to victims of conflict
-  School feeding for migrant children
-  School feeding for colombian children
-  Socioeconomic integration
-  Social protection
-  Mobile Units
-  Provision of logistic services





2 ZERO HUNGER SO1 – People have improved & sustainable livelihoods

-  **8,858 people** were assisted through the early recovery of livelihoods.
-  **1,215 Smallholding farmers and their families** were supported, among **those 544 were former ex-combatants**.
-  **13,760 people** from 69 communities have been empowered and equipped to **adapt to climate change**
-  **22,700 people indirectly** benefited from WFP's interventions in livelihoods, climate change, and smallholding farmers' support.

2 ZERO HUNGER SO2 – People are better able to meet their urgent food and nutrition needs

-  **386,241 victims of violence and climate events supported.**
- 230,772** migrants, returnees, and host communities assisted in 15 departments.
-  **40 percent** of assistance under emergency response was made through **cash-based transfers**.
-  Over **5,400** migrants supported through **socioeconomic integration projects**
-  **Around 333,900 people benefited indirectly** from WFP's response to migrants, the school feeding programme and socioeconomic integration activities.

2 ZERO HUNGER SO3 – People have improved nutrition, health & education

-  **68,000 Colombian children** received school meals in La Guajira. **1,219 people (62% children)** were reached through **prevention of malnutrition initiatives**.
-  **4,260 individuals at risk of homelessness** were included in social protection services in Bogota with WFP support.
-  **610,569 people (59% were children)** were indirectly reached through the mobile units' project along Colombia's National Institute of Family Welfare (ICBF).
-  More than **18,000 people** were reached by two initiatives implemented as part of the **Innovation Accelerator Zero Hunger hub**.

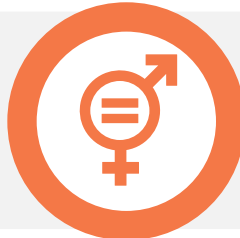
17 PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS SO4 – Humanitarian & development actors are more efficient & effective

-  **WFP supported humanitarian actors** reaching around **239,400 people** affected by armed conflict and weather-related events. **Over 1,000 metric tons of humanitarian assistance** was mobilized by WFP's logistics service provision project in the Pacific region
-  **15 humanitarian organizations** supported by transport and logistic services, including **6 public entities**.

CROSS-CUTTING PRIORITIES

Gender equality and women's empowerment

- Actions were implemented to empower women, improving their food security and nutrition.



- WFP supported ethnic communities by promoting intercultural dialogue and training indigenous and Afro-descendant women on sustainable agricultural practices, thereby enhancing their livelihoods and economic autonomy.



Protection and Accountability to affected populations

- Community participation was promoted through the empowerment of women and ethnic communities, thus improving their food and nutritional security.



- Measures were implemented to support the most vulnerable groups. This included the prevention of sexual exploitation and abuse, data protection, and gender-based violence training.

Environmental Sustainability

- The Binational Project on the border with Ecuador was completed, benefiting 120 indigenous and Afro-descendant communities.



- An early recovery project was implemented in La Pedrera, Amazonas, and a composting project in La Guajira, improving food security and environmental sustainability.

Nutrition Integration

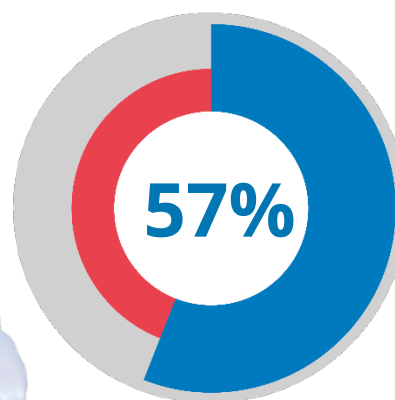
- WFP promoted the inclusion of the Right to Food in public policies and improved food assistance for populations affected by emergencies.



- Education on healthy dieting practices was implemented through the Community Communication (CwC) methodology and the Nutrifami platform.
- Nutrition aspects have been integrated into programmed strengthening knowledge on food and healthy diets.



CSP* (2021-2024) FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

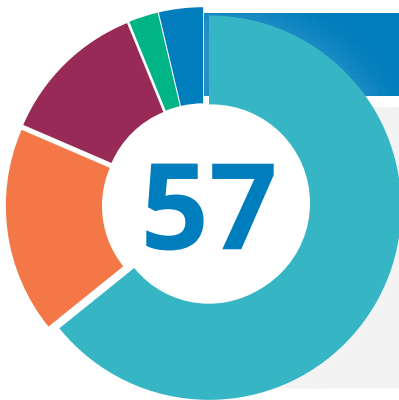


**FUNDING LEVEL
ACHIEVED**

- ▶ Resources needed: USD 796 M
- ▶ Resources available: USD 456 M
- ▶ Funding Gap: USD 340 M

*Country Strategic Plan

OUR DONORS



- ▶ 37 national NGOs
- ▶ 9 community-based organizations
- ▶ 6 international NGOs
- ▶ 3 academic institutions
- ▶ 2 private sector companies

COOPERATING PARTNERS

UN Inter-agency Collaboration

WFP co-led the Cash Transfer Working Group (GTM) and the thematic group on food security and nutrition and collaborated with other United Nations agencies.



@ WFP/Daniel Torres - The impact of the November 2024 floods in La Guajira left communities isolated. WFP's response ensured food supplies reached those most in need.

FROM THE FIELD

In November 2024, floods devastated La Alta Guajira, leaving thousands, including Juan Epiayu, displaced. WFP responded swiftly, delivering essential food and restoring hope. Sara Silva, a Wayuu WFP field monitor, traveled by boat to aid her community. 'Food is scarce,' Juan shares, waiting for an emergency food basket. WFP reached 22,000 people, providing a lifeline for the Wayuu community.

La Guajira, with its high food insecurity, saw 59% of its population struggling to meet basic food needs. Sara Silva's dedication was evident as she spent 12 days delivering food by boat.

WFP's work in La Guajira spans emergency response, support for migrants and host communities, peacebuilding, and early recovery programs. Additionally, WFP implemented the School Feeding Programme, reaching 127,000 people in 2024. Collaboration with local partners, like the Food Security Fund, supports school feeding, improves emergency response, and invests in water access and sustainable livelihoods.

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