WFP Afghanistan 2024 Annual Country Report Overview

KEY MESSAGES

- WFP reached 11.8 million people, a quarter of the country's population, with emergency food, nutrition, and livelihoods support
- 2 WFP promotes resilience and integrated programming, to deliver sustainable solutions that support vulnerable communities
- WFP's early warning and famine prevention analysis were used to predict where hunger would hit hardest, directing assistance to the most food-insecure



SAVING LIVES CHANGING LIVES

FUNDING





US\$ **1.5** billion was required in 2024

FOOD AND NUTRITION SECURITY SITUATION





children under the age of five at the risk of malnutrition



14.8 million

million people were projected to face IPC Phase 3+ levels of food insecurity (crisis and above)





pregnant and breastfeeding women and girls at risk of acute malnutrition



3.1 million

of whom were in IPC Phase 4 (emergency), between November 2024 and March 2025

IN NUMBERS



million people

reached with emergency food, nutrition, and livelihoods support. Half the recipients are women.



10.5 million

people reached with emergency food and nutrition assistance



113,300

returnees from Pakistan and Iran assisted with food rations and through cash-based transfers

3.2 million

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people with disabilities accessed food, cash-based transfers, commodity vouchers and/or capacity strengthening services

313,000 mt food distributed to the people we serve



US\$149 million

in cash-based transfers and commodity vouchers distributed to more than **5 million people**



invested into the Afghan economy via local food procurement, transporters, warehousing, cooperating partners, financial service providers, retailers, handlers, porters, WFP national staff, and other contractors.



EMERGENCY FOOD ASSISTANCE





severely food-insecure and vulnerable Afghans

RESILIENCE STRENGTHENING AND FOOD SYSTEMS



431,300

people, of which **49 percent are women**, reached through food for asset creation, across **28 provinces**, and **5,400 mt of food** and **US\$ 16 million** in cash-based transfers was distributed

people reached in 22 provinces, of which **49 percent are women,** providing vocational and livelihood training and distributing **US\$ 7.9 million** in cash-based transfers, with post-training support (start-up kits, market linkages, and business grants)







smallholder farmers received agricultural market support

295 km of irrigation canals constructed







delivered in cash-based transfers for food for training and food for assets



NUTRITION





2.3 million

people, of which 30 percent are women, received integrated health, nutrition, and immunization messages



SCHOOL MEALS





and

17,500 parents

participated in educational sessions focusing on nutrition and health

MATERNAL AND CHILD BENEFIT PROGRAMME





provided to each woman as an incentive to use for health, and nutrition services and purchase nutritious food

UNHAS

20,100 humanitarian passengers transported by the United Nations Humanitarian Air Service



Beating the odds baking bread

The call to prayer from a neighbouring mosque wakes Bibi Sharifa and her four sisters at first light. They share a modest breakfast of naan, the traditional flatbread, and fragrant green tea. Then they settle into work at a bakery nestled in the heart of their living room.

In most countries, such a scene might appear unremarkable. But this one unfolds in a country where women are barred from education beyond primary school and are increasingly excluded from the workforce and much of public life. Yet Sharifa and her siblings have not only managed to survive, but their business is booming thanks to WFP support and a contract to deliver bread to the schools in the local area.



Bibi Sharifa and her sisters make Bread+ with fortified wheat, raisins and nuts, to feed more than 2000 children across four schools. © WFP/Rana Deraz



BIGGEST HOPE FOR 2025

WFP aims to reach 14.4 million people in 2025 and will continue to ensure our operations in Afghanistan are targeted, efficient and yield demonstrable impact.

Photo: Saffron harvest in Herat, Afghanistan © WFP/Rana Deraz





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