

# WFP Guinea Country Brief June 2025



SAVING LIVES CHANGING LIVES

# **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 14.53 million (2024) 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 2025 cadre harmonise projected that 1.77 million people – nearly 2 million – would experience food and nutrition crisis during the current 2025 lean season. Compared to March 2024, the number of people likely to face crisis food insecurity increased by 72.3 percent, indicating a deterioration in the food and nutrition situation across the country. Of this, over 91,000 people are projected to be in emergency (Phase 4), unlike in 2024 when only Phase 3 food insecurity level was recorded. This situation is partly due to the low availability of staple foods during the lean season, the usual peak in the price of agricultural products, the likelihood of natural disasters such as floods – which have already started with the current rainy season – and the deterioration of access roads to production areas.

WFP has been present 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: **15.1 million** (2024)

2025 Human Development Index: 179 out of 191

Income Level: Lower middle

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

# In Numbers

**67,910 people** assisted in June 2025





USD 441,045 cash-based transfers made

**USD 8 million** (June– November 2025) Six-month net funding requirements

316 MT of food assistance distributed

# **Operational Updates**

- With support from Korea International Cooperation Agency (KOICA), WFP Guinea launched the second cycle of Successional Agroforestry Farm (SAF) training in the regions of N'zérékoré and Kankan from 26 June to 11 July. A total of 113 people participated in the training which focused on reinforcing their knowledge through comparative visits, hands-on training, and planning for new SAF plots. These efforts aim to enhance local autonomy and lay the foundation for scaling successional agroforestry in Guinea.
- Following the establishment of the national School Feeding Taskforce in December 2024, a formal decree was issued in mid-June 2025, outlining its mandate, structure, functions, and operational procedures. The Taskforce is responsible for coordinating efforts to advance national objectives related to the management and oversight of school canteens.
- In June, WFP Guinea supported national nutrition efforts
  through two major interventions. Under the Fill the
  Nutrient Gap (FNG) initiative, multisectoral data collection
  was completed to inform nutrition modeling and identify
  effective strategies for improving access to adequate diets
  among vulnerable populations. The process was facilitated
  through a workshop led by the Health and Public Hygiene
  Policy Advisor at the Prime Minister's Office, with WFP's
  technical and financial support.
- Additionally, the "1000 Days" project continued its chronic malnutrition prevention activities in 99 health facilities, reaching 7,083 mother-child pairs. The intervention included Plumpy'Doz distribution for 8,388 children aged 6-24 months, and awareness-raising and cooking demonstrations for their mothers.
- On 17 June, the World Bank supervision mission visited WFP's activity sites in Boké as part of the *Projet de Development de l'Agriculture Commerciale en Guinée* (PDACG). During the mission, beneficiaries and local authorities shared first-hand accounts highlighting the positive impact of WFP's interventions. Reported outcomes included increased rice and vegetable production, improved youth employment, and higher household incomes.
- The United Nations Humanitarian Air Service (UNHAS) transported a total of 208 passengers (51 women) and 967 kg of light cargo between Conakry, Nzérékoré, Siguiri, and Kissidougou.

Photo Caption: Picture taken during Minister Rose Pola's visit to Nienh Primary School Photo Credit: Idiatou Camara

# WFP Country Strategy



Country Strategic Plan (2024-2029)	
Total Requirements (USD)	Total Received (USD)
143.5 million	26.9 million
2024 Requirements (USD) (June 2025-May 2026)	Six-Month Net Funding Requirements (USD) (June – November 2025)
42.4 million	8 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

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.

#### 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 nutritionsensitive 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 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

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

# **Partnerships**

During the Planning and Cooperation Days organized by the Ministry of Planning and International Cooperation, WFP Guinea and the Government of Japan signed an agreement for the 2025 Kennedy Round food assistance, equivalent to 300 million Japanese yen, or USD 1.98 million. This funding is an effort between Japan and the Republic of Guinea to meet national priorities addressing food security, education, and health. Thanks to this support, more than 24,000 children in targeted elementary schools will receive hot, nutritious meals.

## Monitoring

In June, WFP monitoring activities included collecting market price data in intervention areas to adjust cash transfers, finalizing the Community Feedback Mechanism (CFM) to improve accountability and beneficiaries' experience, and conducting post-distribution monitoring on households affected by 2024 floods to assess the outcomes of assistance.

Additionally, beneficiary identification was initiated in Koba under the PDACG project, in preparation for the development of 9 hectares of land to support livelihoods and food security.

### Voices from the field



# — Kadiatou Traore, Beneficiary

I'm Kadiatou Traore, a mother of six from Frandou. My husband and I do our best with limited means, and we've raised five healthy children. But our youngest daughter showed signs of stunting early on due to malnutrition. It was a painful experience for our family. When WFP began its nutrition activities in our village, I was identified and enrolled for support. Through the specialized food assistance and regular

follow-ups, my daughter's health has improved significantly. She's gaining weight, is more energetic, and now plays freely with other children.

This support has brought hope and relief to our household. We are sincerely grateful to WFP for helping us protect our child's future.

#### Donors

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