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Operational Context

According to the [Cameroon Humanitarian Response Plan 2025](#), 3.3 million people will require humanitarian assistance in 2025 – a slight decrease from 3.4 million in 2024.

Cameroon has been significantly affected by three complex crises: armed conflicts between non-state armed groups (NSAGs) and state security forces in the Northwest and the Southwest Regions; the insurgency of NSAGs, as well as climate-related disasters in the Far North Region; and an influx of Central African Republic refugees in the Adamawa, East and North Regions. These crises resulted in approximately 1 million internally displaced persons and 408,800 refugees (UNHCR, Sep 2024).

Furthermore, the inflationary effects of the Ukraine crisis on commodity markets and global supply chain disruptions contributed to increased living costs, which prevented vulnerable populations from meeting their basic needs. According to the March 2024 *Cadre Harmonisé* projections, 2.6 million people were severely food-insecure between June and August 2025.

WFP operations in Cameroon focus on crisis response, resilience building and mitigating the root causes of food insecurity. WFP also supports national institutions to strengthen capacities to manage food and nutrition programmes, and to further develop the social protection system. WFP has been present in Cameroon since 1978.



Population: **28.6 million**

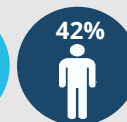
2025 Human Development Report:
Ranked 155th out of 193 countries

Income Level: **Lower middle**

Chronic malnutrition: **28.9 percent of children aged 6 to 59 months**

In Numbers

260,000 people assisted*



762 mt of food assistance distributed*

US\$ 1.6 million in cash-based transfers made*

US\$ 65.3 million six-month net funding requirements (October 2025–March 2026)

*Distribution data is provisional and subject to change

Operational Updates

- **Emergency food assistance:** In September 2025, WFP assisted 205,400 refugees, IDPs and vulnerable host populations in the Adamawa, East, Far North, Northwest and Southwest regions, distributing 720 mt of food and US\$ 1.2 million in cash transfers.
- **Malnutrition prevention and management of moderate acute malnutrition (MAM):** WFP assisted 10,510 children aged 6-59 months in the Far North Region with 32 mt of specialised nutritious foods (SNFs) under malnutrition treatment. WFP also provided US\$ 61,200 as cash for nutrition assistance to 5,360 pregnant and breastfeeding women (PBW) in the Adamawa and Far North regions.
- **Resilience-building activities:** In September, 30,800 people participating in asset creation activities in the East, Far North and Northwest regions received US\$ 377,285 for their efforts in establishing and maintaining community agricultural assets, including fishponds, culverts, feeder roads, community farms and pasture fields. WFP continued with milk handling, processing and transformation training sessions using the dairy cold chain equipment provided to dairy cooperatives.
- **School feeding activities:** With school resumption for the 2025/26 academic year, WFP restarted school meals distribution to approximately 4,815 school children in the Far North Region. The activity is still suspended in the Northwest and Southwest regions as schools have not yet resumed due to the lockdown.
- The **United Nations Humanitarian Air Service (UNHAS)** continued to operate flights to Maroua and N'Djamena (Chad) from Yaounde. A total of 300 passengers were transported in 54 flight segments in September 2025.
- The **Douala Port** is the main logistics entry point for humanitarian operations in Chad and West Sudan. From January to September 2025, over 75,395 mt of WFP food assistance were transported through the Cameroon corridor to Chad and West Sudan. From the onset of the Sudan crisis in April 2023 till the end of September, the Global Commodity Management Facility (GCMF) has transported 58,160 mt of food commodities through the Corridor for the Sudanese response.

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Photo Caption: Chef Abégan, WFP Ambassador, demonstrating the preparation of five-star porridge for infant and young child feeding in Kaigama, East Region (September 2025)
Credit: WFP/Jordan Onana

Country Strategic Plan (2022–2026)	
Total Requirements (US\$)	Total Received (US\$)
729.7 million	254.4 million
2025 Requirements (US\$)	Six-Month Net Funding Requirements (US\$) (Oct 2025–Mar 2026)
151.5 million	65.3 million

Strategic Result 1: Everyone has access to food

Strategic Outcome 1: Crisis-affected populations including refugees, IDPs, returnees and the host population in Cameroon have safe access to adequate and nutritious food during and in the aftermath of crises.

Focus area: *Crisis response*

- Activities:**
- Provide integrated food and nutritional assistance to crisis-affected populations to support their self-reliance and recovery needs.
 - Provide capacity strengthening on emergency preparedness and response to local authorities and humanitarian partners working in crisis-affected areas

Strategic Result 2: No one suffers from malnutrition

Strategic Outcome 2: Children aged 6-23 months, adolescent girls, pregnant and breastfeeding women and other nutritionally vulnerable people in prioritised regions have improved nutrition status and resilience in line with national standards by 2026.

Focus area: *Resilience building*

- Activities:**
- Provide an integrated nutrition package to beneficiaries, including access to nutritious food, quality care, SBCC, and capacity strengthening to prevent malnutrition.

Strategic Result 3: Food systems are sustainable

Strategic Outcome 3: Food-insecure and climate-affected populations and smallholder farmers have enhanced livelihoods and resilience to shocks by 2026.

Focus area: *Resilience building*

- Activities:**
- Provide livelihood support to targeted groups including through productive asset creation and regeneration, and value chain development

Strategic Result 4: Countries have strengthened their capacity to implement the SDGs

Strategic Outcome 5: National institutions and partners have strengthened their capacities to manage food and nutrition programmes and social protection systems by 2030.

Focus area: *Root causes*

- Activities:**
- Provide capacity strengthening to national institutions and partners on the management of food and nutrition programmes, social protection, emergency preparedness and response, disaster management, and supply chain services.

Strategic Result 5: Sharing of knowledge, expertise, and technology

strengthen global partnership support to country efforts to achieve the SDGs

Strategic Outcome 5: The government, humanitarian, and development partners in Cameroon can reach vulnerable populations and respond to emergencies throughout the year.

Focus area: *Crisis response*

- Activities:**
- Provide UNHAS to the Government and humanitarian partners
 - Provide on-demand supply chain, ICT, and coordination services to the Government, humanitarian, and development partners through WFP service provision

Monitoring

- WFP continued promoting the use of the **community feedback mechanism (CFM)** channels, receiving 261 complaints in September 2025. WFP logged 16 cases related to entitlement quantities, fraud, targeting and coercion, which were classified as sensitive and rigorously addressed following WFP’s procedures. Non-sensitive cases were process-related concerns (59 percent), entitlement reclaims (31 percent) and assistance requests (8 percent).
- The Ministry of Agriculture, with technical assistance from WFP, conducted the National Food Security and Nutrition Survey (ENSAN, in French). Participation included a total of 13,250 households across 850 villages. The data is being consolidated into the *Cadre Harmonisé* analysis scheduled for October 2025.

Challenges

- **Limited humanitarian access:** Heavy rains in the Far North rendered the regular route from Cameroon to Chad impassable. Trucks transporting WFP commodities from Nigeria to Chad via Cameroon were delayed due to extra charges by the Cameroon Transport Union. They were eventually allowed to cross to Chad after payment. Meanwhile, NSAGs in the Northwest and Southwest regions enforced a six-week lockdown to disrupt school reopening and presidential elections activities.
- **A severe resource shortfall** affects emergency response and nutrition support. Between October 2025 and March 2026, WFP faces an 83 percent overall shortfall, including 89 percent for nutrition assistance, putting recent gains in child malnutrition reduction at risk.

Donors

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