

Country and Operational Context

November 2025

Egypt continues to navigate a challenging economic environment marked by persistent inflationary pressures, currency volatility, and the lingering effects of regional and global crises.

Despite these pressures, the economy shows signs of relative stabilization, with the Egyptian pound appreciating in value by around 4.6 percent against the US dollar in September 2025, compared to the year start. In addition, as of October 2025, annual inflation eased to 10.1 percent, down from 10.3 percent in September.

Egypt remains a key host country in the regional displacement crisis. As of November 2025, the country shelters over 1.08 million registered refugees, with Sudanese nationals comprising 76 percent of this population. In total, Egypt is estimated to host more than 1.5 million Sudanese affected by the ongoing conflict that erupted in April 2023.

WFP remains committed to collaborating with the Government of Egypt under WFP's 2023-2028 Country Strategic Plan (CSP). This plan aligns with Egypt's Vision 2030 roadmap to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals of the 2030 Agenda. The CSP aims to enhance social protection and food systems, provide humanitarian assistance to refugees, and improve the self-reliance and income-generating capacity of smallholder farmers and people most at risk of being left behind. WFP is operating in synergy with the "Decent Life" Presidential development initiative, to support the poorest village communities through a local, integrated development approach. WFP works to enhance the livelihoods and resilience of the most vulnerable, fostering links between shock-responsive social protection with resilient food systems, including promoting good nutrition and healthy diets.



Stunting: 13% of children between 1 and 59 months

Population: 105.8 million (CAPMAS, December 2023)

Income Level: Lower middle

Egypt ranks 100 out of 193 per the 2023 Human Development Index.

In Numbers

745,000* people assisted in November 2025





US\$ 3.1 m cash-based transfers made

480 mt of food assistance distributed

US\$ 17.3 m (December 2025 – May 2026) net funding requirements

*Figures presented are estimates based on available data at the time of publication.

Operational Updates

Crisis Response

- Under WFP's crisis response programme, WFP continued to assist 250,000 refugees and crisis-affected people with monthly cash assistance. In November, WFP reduced the cash value from EGP 750 (USD 15) to EGP 500 (USD 10) per person to stretch the available resources until further funding is confirmed.
- To improve the nutrition status of vulnerable women and children, WFP provides EGP 750 (USD 15) monthly cash assistance to 5,500 pregnant and breastfeeding refugee women (PBW) with children aged 0-24 months, conditional upon attending health check-ups at WFP-contracted hospitals.

Self-Reliance for Refugees, Crisis-Affected Populations and Host Communities

 WFP and its partners provided vocational training to nearly 1,000 refugees, crisis-affected populations and host community members in November, bringing the total to over 8,800 people in 2025. Additionally, almost 100 participants successfully completed their online training in November on WFP's newly launched "WFP Learn2Earn" online learning platform.

School Feeding

- WFP distributed fortified in-school snacks to more than 93,000 students enrolled in community schools in 10 governorates. WFP also distributed fortified in-school snacks to more than 267,000 students attending primary public schools in the governorates of Giza and Aswan. Additionally, 19,100 families of community school students in Sohag, Sharkeya, Luxor, Aswan governorates and five districts in Assiut received cash assistance of EGP 620 (USD 13) conditional to their child's school attendance to help them withstand economic shocks and support their food security.
- In collaboration with the Emigration Sector at the Ministry
 of Foreign Affairs, Emigration and Egyptian Expatriates
 Affairs (MoFA), and under the Presidential "Life Saving
 Boats" initiative, WFP concluded a series of community
 awareness sessions on the risks of irregular migration and
 safe alternatives. The sessions reached more than 7,300
 parents, youth and students in vulnerable communities.
 Additionally, MoFA shares participants' data with relevant
 entities who partner with private-sector employers to help

Photo caption: WFP supports pregnant and breastfeeding women with monthly cash top-ups. @WFP

youth access decent job opportunities.

 In partnership with the National Nutrition Institute, more than 800 community schoolteachers in four governorates completed trainings on healthy nutrition practices and detecting malnutrition and anaemia in school-aged children. Additionally, over 800 parents of community school students were trained on healthy eating habits and economic substitutes to unhealthy meals.

WFP Country Strategy



Country Strategic Plan (2023-2028)

Total Requirements (in US\$)

Total Received

438.9 m

202.9 m

2025 Requirements (in US\$)

Six-Month Net Funding Requirements in US\$) (December 2025 – May 2026)

88 m

17 m

SDG Target 2.1: Access to food

Strategic Outcome 1: Crisis-affected populations in Egypt, including refugees, meet their essential food and nutrition needs and have enhanced self-reliance all year round.

Focus area: Crisis Response

• **Activity 1:** Provide food assistance, nutrition, and livelihood support to refugees and other crisis-affected populations.

SDG Target 2.4: Sustainable food systems

Strategic Outcome 2: Targeted groups in Egypt benefit from more resilient, sustainable, and climate-adaptive livelihoods and food systems by 2028.

Focus area: Resilience building

- Activity 2: Support women, men, and youth in targeted areas to access livelihood opportunities, increase incomes, and improve their food and nutrition security.
- Activity 3: Provide diverse support to smallholders, targeted groups, and relevant institutions or partners engaged in nutritionsensitive and environmentally friendly value chains.

SDG Target 17.9: Capacity Strengthening

Strategic Outcome 3: The Government of Egypt has enhanced capacity, programmes and systems ensuring populations in vulnerable situations benefit from improved access to and quality of food, nutrition, health, and education services by 2028.

Focus area: Root causes of food insecurity, vulnerability, and inadequate education

- Activity 4: Provide assistance to the national school feeding programme, including through comprehensive sustainable schoolbased interventions and transfers to support students, teachers, and households in vulnerable situations.
- Activity 5: Provide technical assistance and support to Egypt's nutrition-sensitive social protection system, especially for pregnant and breastfeeding women and children under 2, through direct assistance and social and behaviour change communication.
- Activity 6: Provide technical expertise, innovative solutions, and targeted capacity strengthening to the Government for food and nutrition security interventions, as well as foster opportunities for South-South and triangular cooperation.
- Activity 7: Provide on-demand services to government, humanitarian and development actors.

Support to Smallholder Farmers

- WFP reached 4,080 smallholder farmers and community members under its Integrated Agricultural Development Programme through different activities, including land consolidation, the establishment of water user associations, trainings on maintenance of solar panels and market linkages, and rehabilitation of irrigation canals.
- WFP helped introduce an upgraded online Early Warning System to more than 4,600 beneficiaries in six governorates, providing farmers with weather forecasts and crop protection recommendations to mitigate losses, as well as guidance on good agricultural practices and access to markets.

Nutrition

- Under the 'First 1,000 Days' nutrition programme, WFP and the Ministry of Social Solidarity provided cash topups to about 40,800 pregnant and breastfeeding women with children aged 0-24 months registered under the national social protection programme 'Takaful and Karama ('Solidarity and Dignity').
- WFP, with the National Nutrition Institute and the Ministry of Social Solidarity (MoSS), trained 530 community workers on the importance of the first 1,000 days. The training is part of the institutional capacity strengthening of MoSS's community workers to provide awareness and counselling to PBW, mothers, and community members using technology and digital transformation tools.

Women's Economic Empowerment

 WFP launched a training-of-trainers on the updated "She Can" economic empowerment manual in coordination with the Ministry of Social Solidarity and the National Council for Women, strengthening the capacity of around 45 field trainers, NGO staff, and MoSS staff, who will then cascade the training to rural women in targeted governorates. The training equipped participants with the practical knowledge and tools required to initiate programme implementation in December.

Monitoring and Evaluation

• WFP conducted an outcome monitoring exercise with 320 community schoolteachers across five governorates in Upper Egypt to assess the outcome of integrating technology into community education and providing digital pedagogy training, in collaboration with UNICEF, one year after the September 2024 baseline. Results revealed a significant increase in teachers' reporting regular use of digital tools in teaching, reaching 70 percent in 2025 compared to 56 percent at baseline, reflecting greater integration of technology into classroom practices. 86 percent of teachers are actively using educational online platforms, marking a sharp decline in the proportion of teachers depending on the basic features in the interactive screen, from 64 percent to only 14 percent. Additionally, teachers reported a 35 percent improvement in their self-rated ability to use and benefit from digital tools in teaching.