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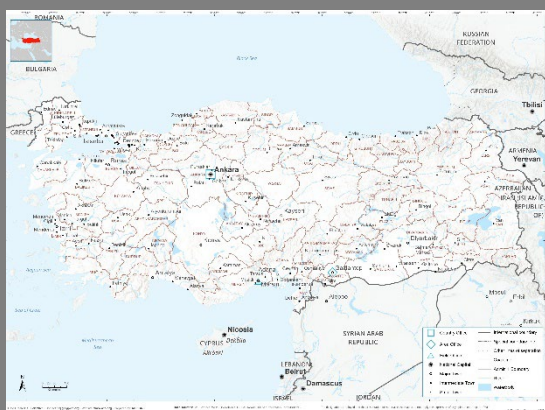


WFP Türkiye Country Brief November 2025

Operational Context

The Republic of Türkiye has experienced steady economic growth over the past two decades. Investments in infrastructure, education, healthcare and social assistance have led to significant progress towards achieving the Sustainable Development Goals. Türkiye hosts one of the largest global refugee populations, currently estimated at 2.7 million people. Around 5,500 of the most vulnerable currently live in camps in the southeast, while the majority live in cities and villages throughout the country. Despite progress, recent economic downturn and inflation require greater efforts to reduce poverty among vulnerable host communities and refugees, half of whom are children.

In line with changing government priorities, [WFP Türkiye's Country Strategic Plan \(CSP 2023-2026\)](#) seeks to continue assisting refugees in camps to meet their basic needs, and provide services to humanitarian and development partners. WFP is also extending recovery support to restore and revitalise the food value chain in the area affected by the February 2023 earthquakes with a focus on ensuring the short to medium-term recovery of the most vulnerable refugees and members of the host community.



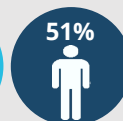
Population: 85.6 million

Poverty Rate: 23.9 percent living below the national poverty line (Turkstat)

Income Level: Upper middle

Human Development Index 2023:
51 out of 193

In Numbers



19,743 people received cash assistance in November 2025

USD 0.31 m distributed through cash transfers

USD 2.2 m six-month net funding requirements
(December 2025 – May 2026)

Operational Updates

- In November, WFP and the Turkish Red Crescent (TRC) continued to assist 2,701 Syrian and 1,554 Ukrainian refugees in Adana and Elazig camps, that remain open. Each refugee receives monthly e-voucher transfer of Turkish Lira (TRY) 425 (USD 9.9) per person to meet their food needs, reaching **4,255 people** in total. The e-vouchers can be redeemed at all point-of-sale (POS) machines, including at camp markets.
- WFP provided transition assistance to **7,988 refugees** who have recently moved to urban areas after the closure of their camps as part of the Government's camp downsizing exercise. Beneficiaries received TRY 500 (USD 11.7) per person as e-voucher uploads. The transition assistance will continue in December to help refugee households cover their food expenses so that they can allocate their spending toward moving costs.
- An additional **7,500 earthquake-affected refugees** who have recently relocated to cities following the closure of the container cities in Hatay and Adiyaman received cash transfers of TRY 1,000 (USD 23.4) per person. The transfer value was determined considering the heightened vulnerability of refugees, driven by limited economic opportunities and the high cost of living in the earthquake-affected provinces.
- WFP continued implementing its earthquake recovery projects to strengthen the local food sector resilience in the areas affected by the 2023 earthquakes.
 - In **Hatay**, WFP and its partner World Vision supported two cooperatives operating in the fresh fruit and vegetable value chain. The plastic crate facility built for one cooperative began production in November, allowing the cooperative to produce 50,000 crates daily. This will allow farmers to access crates at a lower cost, enhancing marketing opportunities. The installation of a drip irrigation system for the other cooperative was finalized.

Photo Caption: Bedros (58) lives in Hatay, one of the areas hardest hit by the 2023 earthquake. His cooperative grows citrus and olives, selling them locally and across Türkiye. WFP's earthquake recovery programme installed a drip irrigation system on the cooperative land. This helped Bedros to reduce labour costs and water loss while increasing the yield. ©WFP/Feride Yildirim

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Country Strategic Plan (January 2023 – June 2026)

Total Requirements (USD)	Total Received (USD)
181 m	123 m
2025 Requirements (USD)	Six-Month Net Funding Requirements (USD) (December 2025 – May 2026)
31.6 m	2.2 m

Strategic Outcome 2: People have better nutrition, health and education outcomes

Country Strategic Plan Outcome 1: Refugees and other crisis-affected populations can meet their basic needs, including nutritious food, all year round.

- **Activity 1:** Provide food and non-food assistance to refugees living in camps.
- **Activity 5:** Provide emergency food assistance through food or cash-based transfers to crisis-affected populations.
- **Activity 8:** Provide transfers, assets and/or technical support to food value chain actors in crisis-affected areas.

Focus area: Crisis Response

Strategic Outcome 3: People have improved and sustainable livelihoods

Country Strategic Plan Outcome 2: Refugees and vulnerable populations have access to labour market opportunities to meet their basic needs, all year round

- **Activity 2:** Provide innovative livelihood trainings, private sector internships, grants and other opportunities to stimulate the local economy and enable vulnerable refugees and host community members to improve their access to the labour market.

Focus area: Resilience Building

Strategic Outcome 4: National programmes and systems are strengthened

Country Strategic Plan Outcome 3: Vulnerable groups, including schoolchildren, benefit from enhanced national capacities on social protection including school feeding by 2025.

- **Activity 3:** Provide technical assistance and support to the Government to enhance the national school meals programme and other programmes, policies and systems as needed.

Focus area: Resilience Building

Strategic Outcome 5: Humanitarian and development actors are more efficient and effective

Country Strategic Plan Outcome 4: Vulnerable populations in Türkiye benefit from improved humanitarian and development assistance all year round

- **Activity 4:** Provide on-demand common services to partners, including United Nations agencies.
- **Activity 6:** Provide coordination, information management and logistic services in support to the Government of Türkiye and humanitarian actors to strengthen their capacity to support crisis-affected populations.
- **Activity 7:** Provide emergency telecommunication services to the humanitarian community to enhance their support to crisis-affected populations.

Focus area: Crisis Response

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Installed on 10 hectares of land (almost half of the cooperative's area), the new system is expected to reduce labour costs by 80 percent.

- **In Malatya,** WFP focused on optimizing the wheat value chain with Firat Development Agency and Dogansehir Municipality. In November, WFP facilitated four sales agreements between supported mills and the municipality-owned bakery to purchase 28.8 mt of flour yearly, providing mills with secure and stable market access.

Partnerships

- On 12 November, TRC [inaugurated](#) the WFP-TRC Strategic Stock Hub in Mersin, with the TRC President and Country Director in attendance. The Strategic Stock Hub - managed by TRC Logistics - will store approximately 5,000 mt of humanitarian supplies including vegetable oil, pulses and ready-to-eat meals, ensuring rapid and efficient dispatch to emergencies in the region.
- On 22-23 November, WFP Türkiye attended a two-day event entitled "Humanitarian Crises and Diplomacy in the 21st Century" at Galatasaray University in Istanbul. Speaking at the panel on about food security in crisis zones, WFP Türkiye representative delivered a presentation on WFP's global emergency operations and highlighted lessons learned from the earthquake emergency response in Türkiye following the 2023 earthquakes.

Monitoring

- According to WFP Türkiye's Q3 Price Market Monitoring and AAP Outreach Report on e-voucher assistance in camps, findings from September 2025 show that the average food basket cost in the contracted markets was TRY 1,488 (USD 34.9) in five camps hosting Syrian refugees and TRY 1,713 (USD 40.2) in one camp hosting Ukrainian refugees. The cost difference reflects variations in basket composition—aligned with dietary habits—and differences in commodity prices across provinces. The adequacy ratio of assistance stood at 29 percent for Syrian refugees and 25 percent for Ukrainian refugees. Notably, Ukrainian refugees generally experience better food security outcomes, primarily due to remittances from family members abroad.
- TRC's 168 Call Center received 213 calls from beneficiaries in the reporting period, primarily to verify the e-voucher balances and confirm the household size information. 69,338 SMSs were sent to beneficiaries, providing information on how to update account information and address dormant account issues.

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