



WFP CAMEROON

COUNTRY BRIEF

May 2026



141,091 people assisted in April 2026
(54% female)



304 mt food distributed in April 2026



USD 955,914 cash transferred in April 2026



USD 41.1M required in the next six months (May-Oct 2026)

KEY HIGHLIGHTS

- WFP is facing a **critical funding shortfall representing 89.5 percent of its requirements** for the next six months, putting lifesaving assistance at imminent risk. **USD 21.9 million is urgently needed to sustain emergency assistance** for refugees, internally displaced people and vulnerable host populations.
- WFP was able to provide MAM supplementation through a substantial contribution of specialized nutritious foods (SNF) from the US, which will be exhausted by June.
- Since January 2026, **WFP has dispatched 22,578 mt of food through the Douala Corridor**, with average transit times to CAR and Chad improving compared to 2025. Of this total, **18,873 mt supported operations in Chad and Sudan**, accounting for 84 percent of all food dispatched.

SITUATION OVERVIEW

- Cameroon is facing a neglected humanitarian crisis marked by overlapping emergencies: armed clashes between non-state armed groups (NSAGs) and state security forces in the Northwest and the Southwest Regions; NSAG insurgency and climate shocks in the Far North Region; and an influx of Central African Republic refugees in the Adamawa, East and North Regions. These emergencies have resulted in over 2.2 million forcibly displaced people, including 408,620 refugees, one million internally displaced people (IDPs) and 790,850 returnees.
- GDP is projected to grow at 4.4 percent in 2025, but food and nutritional needs remain severe. 2.9 million people are projected to face IPC3+ food insecurity between June and August 2026, including 250,000 people in IPC4. Stunting is affecting 29 percent of children under five with rates as high as 40 percent in some areas. Furthermore, 1.5 million school age children require education support due to conflict.
- WFP delivers lifesaving food and nutrition assistance while strengthening resilience among refugees, IDPs, and host communities across six crisis-affected regions. WFP also supports capacity strengthening of national institutions to identify and address the root causes of food insecurity; and provides logistics and air transport services to humanitarian partners to reinforce national and regional stability.

Reporting Period: April 2026

Photo Caption & Credit: Mothers feeding their children with SNF received under WFP's MAM supplementation (Koza, Far North Region). WFP/Joseph Fambove

OPERATIONAL UPDATES

General Food Assistance

- In April 2026, WFP assisted 64,865 IDPs and refugees in the Far North and Northwest regions. Beneficiaries received USD 594,900 through unconditional cash-based transfers and 100 mt of food.
- 29,770 Nigerian refugees in the Minawao camp received cash vouchers which they redeemed at vetted local vendors for essential foodstuff. WFP's assistance covers just half of the in-camp refugees requiring assistance.

Nutrition

- WFP assisted 2,800 children aged 6-23 months and PBW/G to reinforce malnutrition prevention and provided supplementation to 46,080 children aged 6-59 months suffering from moderate acute malnutrition (MAM). WFP provided 204 mt of specialized nutritious foods (SNFs) for both support modalities. PBW/G received USD 26,900, to enable them to purchase a variety of foodstuffs and access pre- and post-natal care.
- Furthermore, WFP and partners conducted complementary activities, including deworming, vaccination, promotion of exclusive breastfeeding, infant and young child feeding practices, and maternal nutrition.

School-Based Assistance

- WFP continued school feeding activities in the Adamawa, East and Centre regions, serving approximately 25,215 learners with hot meals in school in April 2025. USD 276,200 was paid to local cooperatives supplying food items to the schools.

Resilience and Livelihood Support

- In the Adamawa and North regions, 2,130 residents participating in community asset creation activities for early recovery received USD 58,000 for food assistance.

Supply Chain

- Between January and April 2026, the Douala Corridor received 17,771 mt of assorted commodities, and dispatched 22,578 mt,

including 18,873 mt to Chad and Sudan. The Corridor continued to maintain a reduced global average transit time to CAR and Chad of 16 days when compared to 22 days in the same period in 2025.

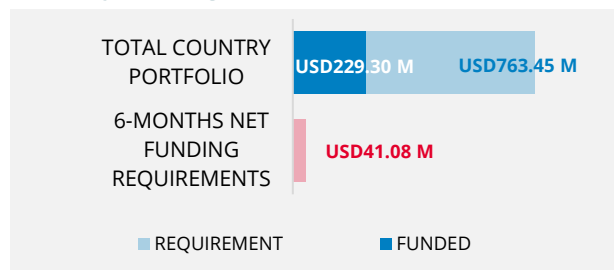
- WFP's Supply Chain team handed over 406.2 mt of SNFs, rice, vegetable oil and split peas and iodised salt to local partners for ongoing WFP operations in the Far North Region in April 2026.
- The United Nations Humanitarian Air Service (UNHAS) operated 45 flights to Maroua and N'Djamena (Chad) from Yaounde, transporting 236 passengers in April 2026. Current resources can cover operations until 23 October 2026.

Accountability to Affected Population

- WFP registered 86 cases through its various Community Feedback Mechanisms (CFM) in April 2026, achieving a closure rate of 80.3 and an average closure time of 4.1 days. The Country Office is experiencing an increase in the proportion of non-beneficiaries requesting assistance, with 45 percent of cases in April 2026, compared to 32 percent in April 2025.

FUNDING OVERVIEW

Country Strategic Plan (2022-2026)



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