In Numbers

4.6 million people assisted by WFP (2017)
2 million internally displaced people (OCHA)
1.95 million South Sudanese refugees (UNHCR)
214,763 seeking shelter with the UN (UNMISS)
6 million people facing severe food insecurity from June to July 2017 (IPC, June 2017)

Highlights

• WFP assisted 4.6 million people since the beginning of the year. In September alone, WFP provided 2.7 million people with food and nutrition assistance.

• WFP called for a quick end to conflict to stop the ongoing hunger crisis in South Sudan at this year's International World Food Day.

• WFP and partners conducted a Rural Women Workshop and celebrated the International Day of Rural Women.

Special Events

• WFP, together with FAO, UNHCR and other partners, celebrated World Food Day on 16 October in Juba. The event was attended by the First Vice President of the Republic of South Sudan, the Minister of Agriculture and Food Security, the Minister of Agriculture and Forestry of Jubek State as well as representatives of the humanitarian community. During his speech, WFP Representative and Country Director, Adnan Khan, stressed the alarming levels of food insecurity and malnutrition in the country with half of the population (6 million people) not knowing where their next meal will come from. Khan also underlined that addressing food insecurity and malnutrition in the South Sudan conflict cannot be 'business as usual'. It requires a conflict-sensitive approach that aligns actions for immediate humanitarian assistance, long-term development and sustaining peace.

In war-torn countries, where agriculture and trade is disrupted and the economy collapses, the cost of a simple, nutritious plate of food can be more than a day’s wages.

• On the International Day of Rural Women (IDRW) WFP advocated for women empowerment, participation in decision-making processes, and recognition of the efforts of rural women in improving food security within and across communities in South Sudan. WFP also highlighted the importance of rural women initiatives that support farmers groups, women’s associations, and women’s groups at the grassroots level in terms of capacity development, support the initiatives financially, documenting some of the best practices and lessons learned from the field.

In honor of this day, WFP coordinated a national Rural Women workshop along with the Ministry of Gender, Child and Social Welfare, UN WOMEN, UNICEF, UNFPA and FAO. The workshop was attended by 40 participants representing different Women groups and association from across South Sudan.
WFP Response

Food and Nutrition Assistance

- In September, WFP assisted a total of 2.7 million people with 26,900mt of food across South Sudan. Out of these, 1.8 million people were served in hard-to-reach areas through the integrated rapid response mechanism (IRRM). WFP provides assistance through general food distributions (GFD), prevention and treatment of malnutrition to children under the age of five and nursing mothers, school meals programmes and food assistance for assets (FFA) activities. Since the beginning of the year, WFP has served a total of 4.6 million people, exceeding its support to 4 million people reached in 2016.

- Currently, there are 13 integrated rapid response mechanism (IRRM) teams deployed in Jonglei, Unity and Upper Nile states, providing life-saving food and nutrition assistance to about 230,800 people, including 42,000 children under the age of five. WFP plans to deploy an additional 24 missions in the coming six weeks, assisting 383,000 people.

- Over the past week, IRRM teams completed distributions in Wangkei, Leer town, Dindin, Padeah and Thonyor (Unity), Atar3, and Kurwai (Jonglei).

- IRRM teams deployed to Tonga in Upper Nile State to conduct a new headcount, registration as well as to provide food and nutrition assistance, WASH, vaccinations and education supplies. This mission follows a WFP rapid assessment in early October.

- During October, WFP replaces its modality of assistance to people in the protection of civilian sites (POC) from paper vouchers to pulses. This modality switch increases the efficiency of the assistance.

Logistics Cluster

- In the past week, the Logistics Cluster facilitated the delivery of 142mt of cargo to multiple destinations including Akobo, Bor, Dindin, Duk Fadiat, Duk Poktap, Karam, Lankien, Leer, Mier, Pagil, Pajut and Ulang on behalf of 13 organizations.

- The Logistics Cluster continues to participate in Inter Cluster working group (ICWG) meetings on a weekly basis; Jikow and Demm Zubeir were designated as new priority locations.

- The most recent Access Constraints map can be found at the following link.

UN Humanitarian Air Service (UNHAS)

- During the week, UNHAS transported 1,705 passengers and 20.4mt of light humanitarian cargo to 71 destinations across South Sudan. In addition, WFP Aviation performed 69 airdrop flights, dropping 1,765mt of WFP food commodities.

- UNHAS facilitated one security relocation from Nyal to Rumbek on behalf of OXFAM and three medical evacuations from Aburoc, Ajuong Thok, and Maban on behalf of three agencies.

- In support of the Inter-Cluster Working Group (ICWG) Rapid Response Mechanism (ICRM) mission, UNHAS transported six passengers from MEDAIR, IOM, and INTERSOS to/from Menime, Kassingor, Keew, and Kuernyang.

- UNHAS performed charters on behalf of UNICEF to/from Old Fangak and WHO to/from Nimule.

- As part of UNICEF’s family reunification project, UNHAS supported the reunification of families from Juba to Akobo and Boma.

Supply Chain

- Despite heavy and continuous rainfall across the country which makes most of the main routes difficult to access or impassable, WFP continues to deliver food and nutrition commodities by all means possible– by road, air and river– across South Sudan. So far this year, WFP has dispatched a total of 244,622mt of food commodities.

- A convoy of 30 trucks, carrying 851mt of assorted commodities, is on its way to Aweil and Wau as part of WFP’s Greater Bahr El Ghazal response.

Clusters and Common Services

Food Security & Livelihoods Cluster

- Over the past week, the FSL cluster, in close collaboration with the Strategic Advisory Group and FSL partners, continued to work on refining and developing the Humanitarian Response Plan (HRP) for 2018.

- The Cash Working Group (CWG) agreed with its members to include and promote cash in the HRP building on recommendations and discussions of last week’s kick-off workshop. Through the CWG the cluster is supporting the harmonization of tools and approaches across multi sector actors from WASH, Nutrition, Education and FSL with strong support from USAID and other donors.

Feeder Roads

- Nothing significant to report.
## WFP Operations

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*Unique beneficiaries, excluding overlap **Includes overlap of beneficiaries ***Includes requirements for Oct-Dec 2017

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