



# WFP Yemen Situation Report #07

July 2020

## In Numbers

**24.3 million** people in need of humanitarian assistance\*

**3.6 million** people internally displaced

**20.1 million** people are food insecure

\*According to the Jun-Dec Humanitarian Response Plan (HRP) extension

## Highlights

- WFP targeted 5.9 million Yemeni people with general food assistance under the July distributions.
- The milling of the remaining WFP wheat at the Red Sea Mills in Al Hodeidah governorate was completed in July.
- 1,732 confirmed cases of COVID-19 were reported in July.
- WFP requires USD 703 million to continue operations unimpeded over the next six months (September 2020 – February 2021).

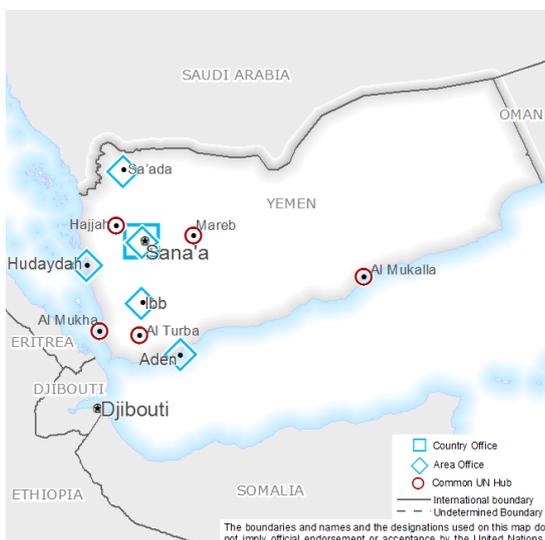
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<b>Yemen Humanitarian Response Plan Needs</b>	<b>Overall:</b> USD 4.2 billion
	<b>WFP:</b> USD 2.3 billion
<b>WFP Net Funding Requirements</b> (September 2020 – February 2021)	
<b>Interim Country Strategic Plan (ICSP)</b>	<b>USD 703 million</b>

## Situation Update

- During July, fuel shortages continued to be experienced in areas under the Sana'a-based authorities as several fuel vessels remained in the Saudi-led Coalition (SLC) holding area. No major impact on WFP's operations was reported in July; however, delays were experienced at the district level where smaller trucks are used to deliver food to distribution sites and fuel was not always available. As of the end of July, 17 fuel vessels awaited to berth in Al Hodeidah port.
- As of 31 July, WHO [reported](#) 1,732 confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Yemen, resulting in 494 deaths. Reported cases are likely to be undercounted, considering the low testing rates. On 13 July, the Sana'a-based authorities [approved](#) easing COVID-19 precautionary measures for some public and private institutions, while maintaining social distancing and sanitation recommendations.
- On 22 July, the milling of the remaining WFP wheat at the Red Sea Mills in Al Hodeidah governorate was completed. A total of 37,019 mt of produced wheat flour was dispatched to Sana'a, Ibb and Aden governorates to be used for in-kind food assistance. The mills first became inaccessible in September 2018 following intensified conflict and despite continued clashes, operations resumed with a trial in October 2019 and with the larger operation commencing in December 2019.
- The European Commission has announced [Humanitarian Air Bridge](#) flights for Yemen to deliver urgent cargo for the COVID-19 response and other lifesaving humanitarian programmes to Aden and Sana'a. Overall, nine flights were completed in July, with additional two in August, for a total of around 200 mt of critical items including medical supplies, field hospital equipment, oxygen concentrators and personal protective equipment (PPE). WFP Bilateral Service Provision is assisting the initiative by supporting with deconfliction and landing permits.



## WFP Response

- Under the July cycle, WFP targeted 5.9 million people in 22 governorates with food assistance. Of these, 3.6 million people were targeted with in-kind food assistance, 1.7 million people with commodity vouchers and some 670,000 people with cash-based transfers.
- In response to the increased fighting and large-scale population displacement in Al Hodeidah governorate in 2018, the UN established a Rapid Response Mechanism (RRM) in June 2018 to assist newly displaced persons and ensure their most immediate needs are met. Displaced families are provided with WFP Immediate Response Rations (IRR) sufficient for five days. In July, WFP distributed 6,413 RRM kits to UNFPA and its cooperating partners.
- A series of external challenges have greatly delayed WFP's food dispatches and deliveries under the July cycle, which in turn impacted the timely distribution to beneficiaries. Among these constraints were the delay introduced by the required COVID-19 protective measures such as the 14-day quarantine period for vessels calling Aden port, and the volatile security situation, namely in Abyan and Ma'rib governorates. Further compounded by the disruption and damage to road infrastructure caused by the recent heavy rains and floods, the food delivery operations were significantly delayed. As a result, WFP considered the delayed food under the August cycle.



### Livelihood and Resilience Projects

- In July, WFP reached 90,188 beneficiaries with cash transfers for their participation in food assistance for assets (FFA). Participants worked on over 291 assets, including rural road rehabilitation, water harvesting schemes and agricultural projects. Due to the COVID-19 outbreak, food assistance for training (FFT) activities in Sana'a continued to be suspended in July. WFP took precautionary measures to limit the risk of contagion among FFA participants by reducing the number of participants working at the same time in the same location and spreading awareness information.



### School Feeding Programme

- WFP and UNICEF have been coordinating over the course of the COVID-19 crisis to prepare a joint effort to support the most vulnerable children of Yemen through a common minimum package of assistance under the campaign 'Back to School'. In schools across Yemen at the start of next academic year, WFP will contribute with its school feeding program while UNICEF will bring forth teaching and learning materials, and both will coordinate on sensitisation on education, nutrition and WASH.



### Nutrition Assistance

- In July, WFP reached 120,960 children aged 6 to 59 months and 252,234 pregnant and lactating women and girls (PLWG) with its Targeted Supplementary Feeding Programme (TSFP) to treat moderate acute malnutrition (MAM). For MAM prevention, WFP reached 120,960 children aged 6 to 23 months with its Blanket Supplementary Feeding Programme (BSFP).



### Supply Chain

- Under the July distribution plan, WFP dispatched 46,068 mt of food under the general food assistance programme.

- During July, supply chain has locally procured a total of 26,831 mt of mixed commodities under the July cycle.
- Shipping operations have managed to bring 99,000 mt of cereals into the country in July. Shipping also received 849 containers holding 15,651 mt of mixed commodities.

## Clusters and Common Services



### Food Security and Agriculture Cluster (FSAC)

- FSAC supported WFP and FAO in the finalization of the Yemen Partial IPC report for the 133 districts in the southern governorates. The report was released on 22 July and highlights the critical role played by humanitarian food assistance.
- The FSAC livelihoods technical working group proposed revisions to the FSAC minimum emergency livelihoods assistance package. This will be finalized once inputs from partners have been received.



### Logistics Cluster

- The Logistics Cluster supported 37 partners in July. It facilitated the inland transport of 777 m<sup>3</sup> of relief items to three locations across two governorates on behalf of three partners.
- Across three locations, the Logistics Cluster received into storage 2,895 m<sup>3</sup> of cargo, on behalf of four partners.
- The WFP-chartered vessel VOS Theia continues to be on standby in Aden to provide emergency evacuation should the need arise.

### Bilateral Service Provision (BSP)

- In July, BSP delivered 959,784 litres of fuel to WHO and 4,752 litres to UNICEF to support the uninterrupted services of hospitals and local water and sanitation services, respectively. Also, BSP shipped 20 containers (814 m<sup>3</sup>) of cargo from Jeddah to Al Hodeidah on behalf of WHO, including 633 m<sup>3</sup> of critical items for the COVID response. 38,000 litres of diesel were delivered to NGOs and UN facilities.

## Resourcing Update

- Based on the Interim Country Strategic Plan, WFP urgently needs an additional USD 703 million to ensure operations can continue unimpeded over the next six months as per the following:

Activity	Funding requirement in USD
General food assistance	581 million
Nutrition	54 million
School Feeding	18 million
Livelihoods	40 million
UNHAS	7 million
Logistics Cluster	1 million
Emergency Telecommunications Cluster	1 million

## WFP Interim Country Strategic Plan

	Total Requirements (in US\$)	Allocated Contributions (in US\$)	6-Month Net Funding Requirements (in US\$) (Sept 2020 – Feb 2021)	People Assisted (July 2020)	Female	Male
<b>ICSP TOTAL*</b> (Jan 2019 – Dec 2020)	4.82 b	2.55 b	703 m	8,606,836	4,227,678	4,379,158
<b>General Food Assistance**</b>				8,606,836	4,227,678	4,379,158
<b>School Meals</b>				-	-	-
<b>Food for Assets (FFA)</b>				90,188	44,300	45,888
<b>Nutrition (Prevention)***</b>				86,928	42,595	44,333
<b>Nutrition (Treatment)***</b>				373,194	311,504	61,690

\* The total beneficiary figure includes beneficiaries of all activities as there is almost a complete overlap between activities.

\*\* General food assistance figures and ICSP total are for June. July distributions are ongoing.

\*\*\*Nutrition Prevention and Treatment figures are based on dispatches.

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