



WFP Yemen Situation Report #4

April 2021

In Numbers

20.7 million people in need of humanitarian assistance*

4 million people internally displaced

16.2 million people are food insecure (IPC 3+)

*According to the Humanitarian Needs Overview (HNO) 2021

Highlights

- WFP targeted nine million Yemeni people with general food assistance under April distributions.
- 6,267 confirmed cumulative cases of COVID-19 were reported by the end of April.
- WFP requires USD 405.5 million to continue operations unimpeded over the next six months (June 2021 – November 2021).

9 million people targeted
April 2021



Interim Country Strategic Plan (ICSP 2019-2021) Funding Requirements	Overall: USD 6.73 billion
	2021: USD 1.9 billion
Net Funding Requirements (June 2021 – November 2021)	USD 405.5 million

Situation Update (including security)

- On 20 April, Yemen's COVID-19 vaccination campaign began in the areas under the Internationally Recognised Government of Yemen (IRG), three weeks after the first shipment from the global COVAX vaccine-sharing scheme arrived. This follows IRG's declaration of a health emergency in areas under its control on 23 March, as infections in a second wave of the COVID-19 pandemic increase. A total of 2,047 cases were reported during April.
- In the areas under the Sana'a-based authorities, the fuel crisis continued in April. As of 25 April, two vessels carrying a total of 29,600 mt of gas oil and 11,800 mt of liquefied petroleum discharged at Al Hodeidah port. This brings the total of fuel vessels that have berthed at Al Hodeidah port since 03 January to six vessels. As of the end of April, six commercial vessels carrying 136,500 mt of fuel continued to be held in the Saudi-led Coalition (SLC) holding area. While there was no major interruption to WFP's operation due to the fuel crisis, a three-four-day delay was reported at the district level where fuel was not always available.
- During April, Ansar Allah forces have claimed a series of cross-border missile and drone strikes against Saudi Arabia and the Saudi-led Coalition (SLC) conducted a series of airstrikes that targeted several military locations in Ma'rib and Sa'dah governorates and in Sana'a City.
- The military escalation in Ma'rib governorate that started in February continued during April and led to the displacement of more than 23,000 people. In an initial response plan, WFP will support the provision of emergency food assistance for 15,000 households (105,000 people) for three months.

WFP Response

- Under the April cycle, WFP targeted nine million people with food assistance. Of these, 6.1 million people were targeted with in-kind food assistance, over 1.7 million people with commodity vouchers and more than 1.2 million people with cash-based transfers.
- Targeting and biometric registration activities in Yemen continued throughout April. By the end of April, over 1.72 million beneficiaries in IRG areas have been biometrically registered. In areas under the Sana'a-based authorities, following the start of biometric



registration activities in Sana'a city in November 2020, WFP launched the provision of general food assistance through cash transfers. As of the end of April, a total of 44,500 beneficiaries were registered with plans to complete registration of over 141,000 people in three districts of Sana'a City within the first phase.

- In April, WFP started to progressively scale up levels of assistance to six million people in nine of the most food insecure governorates in northern Yemen. Monthly assistance will resume in these governorates from June until August while additional advocacy efforts continue.



Livelihood and Resilience Projects

- In April, WFP reached over 279,000 beneficiaries with cash transfers for their participation in food assistance for assets (FFA). Two implementing partners nearly completed the field activities for 57 assets in Hajjah, Lahj and Sana'a governorates. This brings the total of completed sites during the month to 181, including rural road rehabilitation, water harvesting schemes and agricultural projects. A total of 250 participants were registered to undergo a six-month training in Sana'a governorate under food assistance for training (FFT) activities in May. The trainings will cover different topics including management training, food production and preservation, and incense and perfume production.



School Feeding Programme

- Following the announcement of the Ministries of Education (MoE) under the IRG and in the areas under the Sana'a-based authorities on the early termination of the academic year, WFP and MoE have agreed to increase daily ration distributions during the remaining school and examination days which continued till mid-April. During this period, a total of 78 mt of school feeding commodities were distributed to nearly 31,000 students as one-off take-home rations.
- Under the April cycle, WFP reached around 880,00 students with the school feeding programme.



Nutrition Assistance

- In April, WFP reached over 278,700 beneficiaries, 61,600 children aged 6 to 59 months and 107,700 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 207,400 children aged 6 to 23 months and 233,200 PLWG with its Blanket Supplementary Feeding Programme (BSFP).



Supply Chain

- Under the April distribution cycle, WFP dispatched around 97,300 mt of commodities under the general food assistance, school feeding, and 3,144 mt under the nutrition programmes. In addition, WFP contracted wholesalers reached 82 percent of the deliveries of 17,100 mt of commodities for commodity vouchers assistance.
- Shipping operations have brought 143,000 mt of cereals and wheat flour, as well as 5,000 of yellow split peas into the country in April. Shipping also received 1,029 containers holding around 18,600 mt of mixed commodities.
- On behalf of WHO and MSF, WFP imported 12 containers holding various medicines and non-food items.
- In March, Supply Chain awarded around 8,700 mt of mixed food commodities to various suppliers across the country to meet the anticipated pipeline requirements. In addition, around 43,000 mt of

locally procured wheat flour was delivered by the end of the month.

Clusters and Common Services



Food Security and Agriculture Cluster (FSAC)

- FSAC is currently involved in the revision of the Minimum Food Basket (MFB) and exploring ways to enhance the nutritional adequacy of the existing food basket.



Logistics Cluster

- In April, the Logistics Cluster has received around 54 m³ of cargo in common storage on behalf of three partners and transported by road over 43 m³ of cargo on behalf of three partners.
- Through its different activities, the Logistics Cluster supported 12 partners during April.

Emergency Telecommunications Cluster (ETC)

- The ETC completed the setup of an ETC IT lab at the United Nations Common Accommodation Facility (UNCAF) in Sana'a.
- During April, 1,770 humanitarian responders accessed the Emergency Operating Centres (EOC) and benefitted from the internet service.

Bilateral Service Provision (BSP)

- In April, BSP delivered around 2.5 million litres of fuel to WHO and around 913,000 litres to UNICEF to support the uninterrupted services of hospitals and local water and sanitation services. Additionally, BSP continued to extend its support to partners by shipping over 1,200 m³ of medical supplies by sea on behalf of UN agencies. Around 42,000 litres of fuel were delivered to NGOs and UN facilities.

Resourcing Update

- Based on the Interim Country Strategic Plan, WFP urgently needs an additional USD 405.5 million to ensure operations can continue unimpeded over the next six months as per the following:

Activity	Funding requirement in USD
General Food Assistance	267.4 million
Nutrition	97.9 million
School Feeding	-
Livelihoods	26.9 million
UNHAS	9 million
Logistics Cluster	4.3 million
Emergency Telecommunications Cluster	0.01 million

WFP Interim Country Strategic Plan

	Total Requirements (in US\$)	Allocated Contributions (in US\$)	6-Month Net Funding Requirements (in US\$) (June 2021 – Nov 2021)	People Assisted (April 2021)	Female	Male
ICSP TOTAL* (Jan 2019 – Dec 2021)	6.73 b	3.3 b	405.5 m	7,912,587	3,886,663	4,025,924
General Food Assistance**				7,912,587	3,886,663	4,025,924
School Meals				879,232	429,813	449,419
Food for Assets (FFA)				279,000	137,045	141,955
Nutrition (Prevention)***				440,614	334,840	105,774
Nutrition (Treatment)***				169,437	137,944	31,493

* The total number of people assisted per month implies an almost complete overlap between activities. Therefore, only GFA beneficiaries are reported in ICSP total.

** General food assistance figures are for **March**, April distributions are ongoing.

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

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