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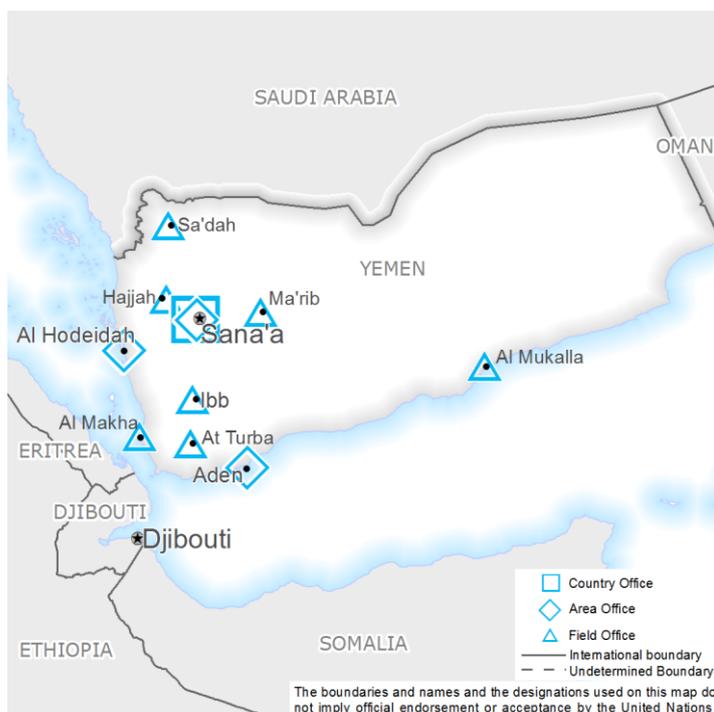
11.4 million people targeted

September 2021 (*general food assistance*)



WFP Yemen Interim Country Strategic Plan (ICSP)

<p>2021 Yemen Humanitarian Response Plan</p>	<p>Overall requirement: US\$ 3.85 billion</p>
	<p>WFP requirement: US\$ 1.91 billion</p>
<p>WFP 6-Month Net Funding Requirement (October 2021 – March 2021)</p> <p>US\$ 796.7 m <i>As of 21 September</i></p> <p>WFP Yemen 2019-2021 Interim Country Strategic Plan (November 2018)</p>	



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In Numbers

20.7 million people in need of humanitarian assistance

16.2 million people food insecure

47,000 people in famine-like conditions

4 million people internally displaced

Highlights

- WFP targeted 11.4 million people in Yemen with general food assistance in September.
- The value of the Yemeni riyal (YER) continued to depreciate during September in areas under the Internationally Recognized Government of Yemen.
- WFP has started data collection for the 2021 Food Security and Livelihoods Assessment (FSLA).
- Military escalation is being reported from Ma'rib and neighbouring Shabwah governorate.
- On 23 September, WFP commenced a one-off food distribution round targeting 133,500 internally displaced people (IDPs) in Ma'rib governorate.

Situation Update

Food Security Situation

- WFP Vulnerability Analysis and Mapping (VAM) [data](#) released in August show that while the nationwide average rate of inadequate food consumption increased slightly in August, improvement or stabilisation was observed in most of the governorates where WFP in June 2021 was able to resume monthly food assistance.
- WFP in September started data collection for the nationwide 2021 Food Security and Livelihoods Assessment (FSLA). The FSLA will feed into the Integrated Food Security Phase Classification (IPC) analysis process planned for early December, inform WFP operational planning for 2022, and feed into the 2022 Humanitarian Needs Overview (HNO) and Humanitarian Response Plan (HRP).

Economic Situation

- In September, the value of the Yemeni riyal (YER) continued to deteriorate in areas under the Internationally Recognized Government of Yemen (IRG) after breaking the YER 1,000/USD 1 barrier on 27 July. The riyal once again hit a record low in September, reaching YER 1,196/USD 1 on 26 September. As of the end of the month, the riyal traded at YER 1,141/USD 1 in areas under the IRG. Meanwhile, the YER remained stable in the areas under the Sana'a-based authorities and averaged YER 600/USD 1 in September.
- In September, only one fuel vessel carrying 8,900 mt of fuel completed its discharge at Al Hodeidah port, while

a total of three vessels carrying 87,400 mt of fuel continued to be held in the Saudi-led Coalition (SLC) holding area. In the areas under the Sana'a-based authorities, all Yemen Petroleum Company (YPC) fuel stations have been closed since 07 August and vehicles now refuel from the commercial fuel stations at a price rate of USD 0.93 per litre for both gas oil and gasoline, 41 percent higher than the official rate for gasoline and 31 percent higher than the official rate for gas oil.

- In the areas under the IRG, the price of gas oil and gasoline at YPC and commercial stations increased at the end of September rating at USD 0.69 per litre, compared to the official rate of USD 0.53 per litre for gasoline and USD 0.55 per litre for gas oil.
- While there was no major interruption to WFP's operation due to the ongoing fuel crisis, a one-two day delivery delay was reported at district level where fuel is not always available.

Security Situation

- Military escalation was reported from Ma'rib and the neighbouring governorates of Shabwah and Al Bayda in September. The escalation has led to population displacement, with IOM [reporting](#) close to 33,900 people displaced in Ma'rib alone since the beginning of 2021 as of early October.

COVID-19

- The number of new daily COVID-19 cases decreased slightly over the second half of September after spiking in mid-September. As of the end of the month, 9,039 cases and 1,715 deaths had been recorded by WHO.

WFP Operations



General Food Assistance (GFA)

- Under the September cycle, WFP targeted 11.4 million people with general food assistance. Of these, 7.9 million people were targeted with in-kind food assistance, over 2.3 million people with commodity vouchers and more than 1.2 million people with cash-based transfers.
- On 23 September, WFP commenced a one-off food distribution round targeting 133,500 internally displaced people (IDPs) in Ma'rib governorate. By the end of September, some 20,100 people have been reached in four districts of the governorate. Under the regular GFA cycle, WFP is targeting some 526,100 people in Ma'rib in September.



Livelihood and Resilience Projects

- In September, WFP reached 49,700 beneficiaries with cash transfers for their participation in food assistance for assets (FFA) interventions. The participants worked in rehabilitating and constructing 98 assets during the month, including rural road rehabilitation, water harvesting schemes and agricultural projects. Additionally, a total of 36 assets were completed in four districts of Al Hodeidah governorate in September.



School Feeding Programme

- In September, around 350 mt of date bars were distributed to 639,000 students in areas under the Sana'a-

based authorities, while around 31 mt of high-energy biscuits (HEBs) were distributed to over 155,000 students in areas under the IRG.



Nutrition Assistance

- In September, WFP assisted over 1.7 million people with nutrition support. WFP assisted 544,600 children aged 6 to 59 months and pregnant and lactating women and girls (PLWG), under its Targeted Supplementary Feeding Programme (TSFP) for the treatment of moderate acute malnutrition (MAM). For the prevention of MAM, WFP assisted 1.2 million children aged 6 to 23 months and PLWG under its Blanket Supplementary Feeding Programme (BSFP).



Supply Chain

- Under the September cycle, WFP dispatched 99,000 mt of the monthly requirements of mixed food commodities under the in-kind general food assistance activity. 6,100 mt of nutrition commodities were dispatched for WFP's nutrition activities. Under the September commodity voucher cycle, over 24,800 mt of food commodities were delivered by WFP-contracted wholesalers.
- Shipping operations brought 90,100 mt of break bulk cereals and wheat flour into the country in September. Shipping also received 594 containers holding around 11,300 mt of mixed commodities.

Clusters and Common Services



Food Security and Agriculture Cluster (FSAC)

- In September, FSAC supported the ongoing WFP-led nationwide Food Security and Livelihoods Assessment.
- A revision of the FSAC Minimum Food Basket (MFB) and conditional cash transfer/FFA values are currently underway in view of the deteriorating exchange rate in areas under the IRG.



Logistics Cluster

- In September, the Logistics Cluster supported 28 partners through its coordination and logistical information management activities.

Emergency Telecommunications Cluster (ETC)

- In September the WFP-led ETC provided data connectivity to 660 humanitarians across 16 sites in Yemen.
- Security communications services were also provided to a total of 2,499 responders supported by eight United Nations Department for Safety and Security (UNDSS)-managed Security Operation Centres (SOCs).

Bilateral Service Provision (BSP)

- In September, WFP BSP delivered 4.3 million litres of fuel to WHO and UNICEF to support the uninterrupted services of hospitals and local water and sanitation services. Additionally, WFP BSP continued to extend its support to partners by shipping over 3,800 m³ of medical supplies by sea on behalf of UN agencies. Further, 71,600 litres of fuel were delivered to INGOs and UN facilities.

Resourcing Update

- On 22 September, a side event on the humanitarian situation in Yemen was held during the 76th session of the UN General Assembly, co-hosted by Sweden, Switzerland, and the European Union.
- WFP urgently needs an additional USD 796.7 million to sustain operations over the next six months.

Activity	Funding requirement
General Food Assistance	642 million
Nutrition	99.3 million
School Feeding	28.6 million
Livelihoods	12.8 million
UNHAS	13.6 million
Logistics Cluster	0.3 million
Emergency Telecommunications Cluster	0.2 million

WFP Yemen 2019-2021 Interim Country Strategic Plan (ICSP)

	Total Requirements (in US\$)	Total Received	6-Month Net Funding Requirements (Oct 2021 – Mar 2022)	People Assisted (September 2021)	Female	Male
ICSP TOTAL (2019 –2021)	6.73 b	4.39 b	796.7 m	10,391,126	5,104,121	5,287,005
General Food Assistance¹				9,555,946 ²	4,693,881	4,862,065
School Meals				794,106	388,199	405,907
Livelihoods				49,672	24,399	25,273
Nutrition (Prevention)²				1,191,999	922,963	269,036
Nutrition (Treatment)²				544,627	417,127	127,500

¹ Note that September distributions are still ongoing at the time of writing – figures as of 17 October.

² Nutrition Prevention and Treatment figures are based on dispatches.

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