



WFP Nigeria Country Brief

WFP Assistance

| Providing life-saving support to households directly affected by insecurity in northern Nigeria EMOP 200777 Nigeria Component | 2017 Total Requirements (in USD) | 2017 Total Resourced (in USD) | 6-Month Net Funding Requirements* |
|---|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| | 416 m | 359.2 m (86%) | 33.5 m |

* January – June 2018

Emergency Operation (EMOP) 200777

WFP's Regional EMOP addresses urgent food and nutrition needs of the most vulnerable people and communities in conflict-affected areas and displacement sites of Cameroon, Chad, Niger and Nigeria.

In northeast Nigeria, WFP general food distributions (GFD) are provided through in-kind food assistance (comprising of cereals, pulses, salt, vegetable oil and sugar) and, where markets allow, through cash-based transfers (CBT) to support displaced people living in camps or with host communities, as well as vulnerable host populations.

Preventative nutrition assistance is provided to children aged 6-23 months, and to children aged 24-59 months with moderate acute malnutrition. Pregnant and lactating women also receive preventative nutrition assistance integrated with cash or in-kind food assistance. In areas where population returns are possible, livelihood support interventions are being incorporated to contribute to early recovery and help reduce reliance on food assistance.

WFP is cooperating in Nigeria with national and state emergency agencies and has increased its footprint through 16 partnerships with 6 national and 10 international humanitarian organisations.

The shortfall for WFP Nigeria EMOP over the next six months (January - June 2018) is over USD 33 million. However, a complete pipeline break is anticipated in May and the net funding requirements until December 2018 are estimated at USD 199 million.

| Provision of Humanitarian Air Services in Nigeria SO 200834 | 2017 Total Requirements (in USD) | 2017 Total Resourced (in USD) | 6-Month Net Funding Requirements* |
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| | 19.3 m | 14.5 m (75%) | 9.1 m |

* January – June 2018

Special Operation (SO) 200834 – United Nations Humanitarian Air Service (UNHAS)

Since August 2015, UNHAS flights have allowed the humanitarian community to implement and scale-up relief

Highlights

- In December WFP, both directly and through partnerships, provided food assistance to 1.23 people (98 percent of the plan of the month) through in-kind distributions (77 percent) and cash-based transfers (23 percent) in Borno, Yobe and Adamawa States.
- According to the December [Emergency Food Security Assessment](#), conducted by WFP and other partners, overall, 34 percent of households across Borno, Yobe and Adamawa States are food insecure. This represents 10 percent reduction in the prevalence of food insecurity compared to the last assessment in March 2017. Displaced households and female-headed households are amongst the most food insecure households.

activities to assist affected populations. UNHAS operates a fixed wing aircraft from Abuja with regular flights to Maiduguri and Yola. Helicopter flights were introduced in July 2016, and they have since constituted a critical tool to access remote and hard-to-reach areas in northeast Nigeria. UNHAS provides air transport to over 80 humanitarian organisations with four rotary and one fixed-wing aircraft.

| Logistics and Emergency Telecommunications Sector Coordination and Services to augment the Humanitarian Response SO 201302 | 2017 Total Requirements (in USD) | 2017 Total Resourced (in USD) | 6-Month Net Funding Requirements* |
|---|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| | 9.1 m | 8.6 m (90%) | 238,000 |

* January – June 2018

Special Operation (SO) 201032

On 7 November 2016, WFP launched a Special Operation to address the main logistics and telecommunication gaps faced by the humanitarian community in northeast Nigeria.

The Logistics Sector is responsible for logistics coordination and information management, augmentation of storage capacities and coordination of cargo movements, supporting 43 organisations.

The Emergency Telecommunications Sector seeks to establish and upgrade security telecommunications in Borno and Yobe States enabling the humanitarian community to carry out its activities efficiently and safely.

In Numbers

1.23 m people reached by WFP food assistance in Borno, Yobe and Adamawa States in December 2017

1.56 m people displaced across Borno, Adamawa and Yobe States
(IOM Displacement Tracking Matrix, December 2017)

2.56 m people food insecure in Borno, Adamawa and Yobe States between October and December 2017
(Phases 3, 4 & 5, "Cadre Harmonisé", October 2017)

Operational Updates

- In December, approximately 4 million unique individuals were supported by 61 Food Security Sector partners with food security interventions - 2 million individuals with food assistance (in-kind and cash based transfers) and 2 million people with agricultural inputs and livelihood activities.
- During the month of December, across Borno, Yobe and Adamawa States, WFP reached 1.23 million people with food and nutrition assistance.
- A total of 907,000 beneficiaries (101 percent of the plan)- most of them internally displaced in camps or in host communities - benefited from food distributions, while in areas with functioning markets, 290,000 people (91 percent of the plan) were assisted with cash or vouchers.
- WFP provided preventative nutrition assistance to 132,000 children aged 6 to 23 months (85 percent of planned) and 114,000 pregnant and lactating women (PLW) (89 percent of planned). These vulnerable children and women received specialized nutritious foods, screening for malnutrition, and health, nutrition and WASH messages through WFP's blanket supplementary feeding programme activities.
- 15,500 mt of mixed food commodities were dispatched and USD 3.1 million were disbursed.
- In December, as part of OCHA-led Rapid Responses Mechanism (RRM) alerts, a total of 8,950 new IDPs were assisted by WFP and partners (5,000 in Konduga LGA, 2,280 Nganzai LGA, 270 in Bama LGA; and 1,400 in Gwoza LGA).
- In December, UNHAS transported 1,668 passengers via a fixed wing aircraft and 2,776 passengers via four helicopters.
- During the month, the Logistics Sector facilitated the storage of 2,200 m³ (600 mt) of humanitarian relief items in Maiduguri, Monguno and Banki on behalf of 18 organisations.
- As part of the Digital Mobile Radio (DMR) roll-out in Maiduguri, the ETS has set the tracking of staff and vehicles feature over VHF network to increase the safety of humanitarians.

Challenges

- The security situation in northeast Nigeria remains highly volatile. On 16 December, a convoy escorted by Nigerian military, including WFP-hired food trucks was attacked by armed groups near Ngala, Dikwa Local government area, resulting in the death of four people. Two of the 25 WFP-contracted trucks carrying 93 mt of food commodities and involved in the incident were affected. WFP is discussing with relevant authorities the establishment of humanitarian convoys.
- Challenges persisted in December for the timely delivery of internationally procured foods, in particular SuperCereal and salt. The delays were mainly due to quality issues of SuperCereal coupled with the on-going access issues at Lagos Port. As a mitigating measure, WFP launched tenders for the local procurement of salt, and quality issues of SuperCereal are being addressed.

Country Background & Strategy



Nigeria is a federal constitutional republic. Nigeria is the most populous country in Africa and the seventh most populous country in the world. Nigeria has over 500 ethnic groups.

The crisis induced by the Boko Haram insurgency remains the principal driving factor of instability in northeast Nigeria. Founded in 2002 in Borno State, Boko Haram has been advocating for the creation of an Islamic state in northern Nigeria. Since 2010, the group has increasingly expanded its operational capabilities, and in May 2013 a state of emergency was declared by the Government in Borno, Adamawa and Yobe States.

As of December 2017, according to [IOM's displacement tracking matrix](#), over 1.7 million internally displaced persons (IDPs) are reported to be in Nigeria, with the largest IDP population (1.56 million) located in the three most affected states: Borno (77 percent), Adamawa (8 percent) and Yobe (6 percent) states. Children and women constitute 79 percent of the IDP population. 28 percent of the IDP population are children aged 24-59 months.

Population: **191 million**

2017 Human Development Index:
152 out of 188

Income Level: **Largest economy in Africa and 28th in the world**

Literacy: **68 percent (75.7 percent men and 60.6 percent women)**

Donors

(In alphabetical order): Australia, Belgium, Canada, China, European Commission, Finland, France, Germany, Hungary, Italy, Japan, Korea, Lithuania, Mexico, Monaco, Netherlands, Nigeria, Norway, OPEC, Private Donors, Sweden, Switzerland, UN CERF, United Kingdom, and United States of America.

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