

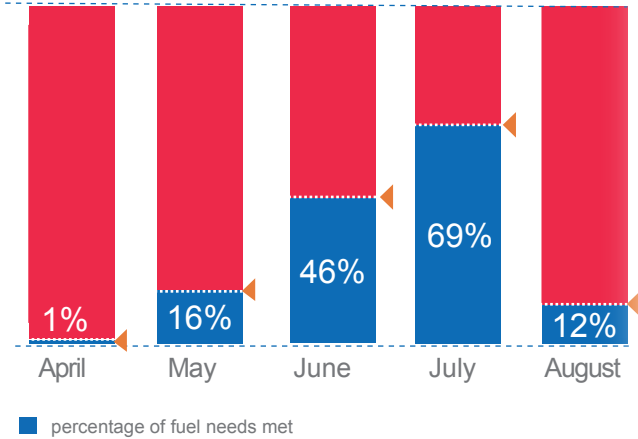
At the end of August, Al Hudaydah and Saleef ports partially resumed operations after all ship berthing at Red Sea ports was temporarily suspended following the 17 August attack on Al Hudaydah. The full resumption of shipping imports into Yemen through the Red Sea ports and the continuation of activities in other ports in the Gulf of Aden are critical as Yemen relies heavily on imported food, fuel, medicines and other basic commodities.

544,000 MT (est. monthly fuel needs)

Number of ship arrivals by port (April-August)

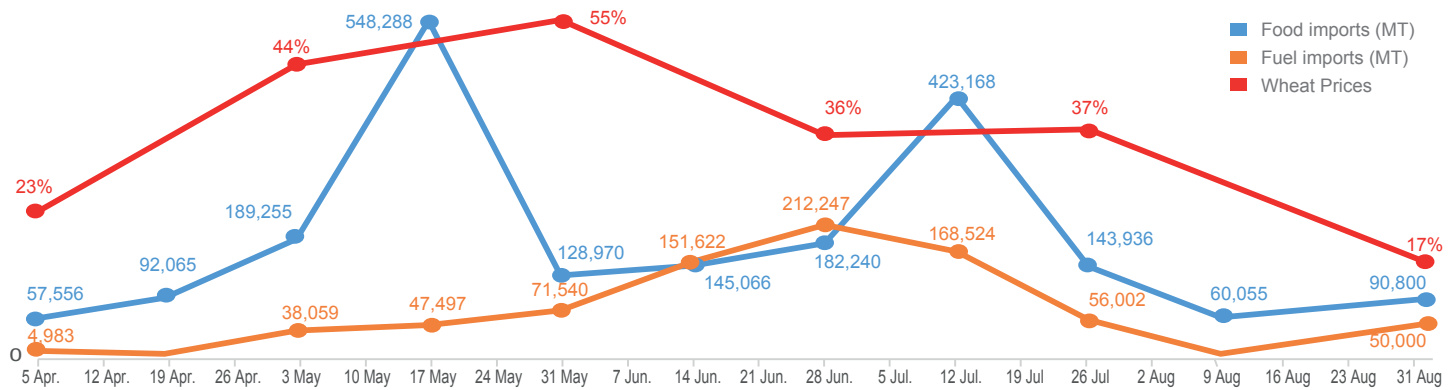


Activities increased at Al Hudaydah port with the docking on 26 and 28 August of two ships with cargoes of close to 50,000 MT of fuel and 27,000 MT of cement, steel and flour. In Saleef port, two ships carrying wheat berthed, including a WFP vessel carrying 35,800 MT of wheat. Aden port container terminal was accepting additional ships, including three vessels diverted from Al Hudaydah, but no activities were reported at Aden port oil terminal in the last two weeks of August



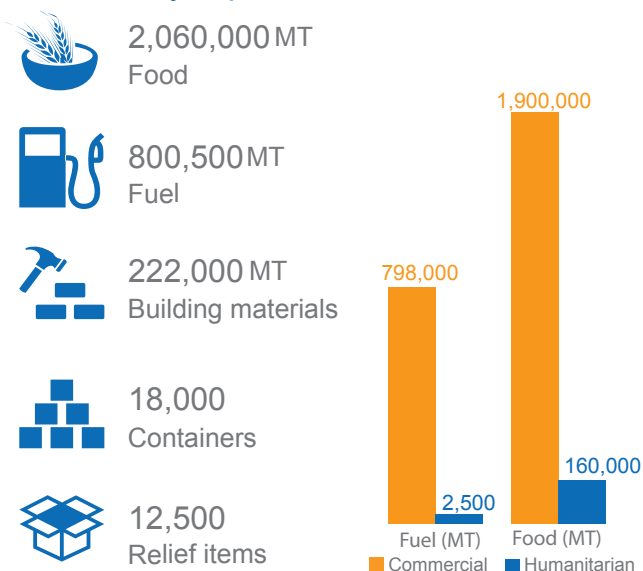
National trends in imports of food and fuel

(1 April - 31 August in metric tons)

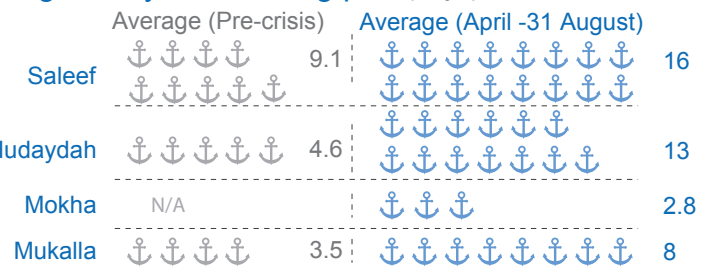


Increased shipping volumes of fuel and food imports and better access in and out of Aden Governorate improved the availability of essential food commodities in most governorates with the exception of Taizz, Al Hudaydah, Sa'ada, Hajjah, Al Jawf and Marib. While some governorates continue to experience high food prices as compared to pre-crisis levels, the national average price of wheat declined by 14 per cent compared to July but remained 17 per cent higher than the pre-crisis levels.

Commodity imports (April - August)



Average delays in entering port (days)



Average duration offloading in port (days)

