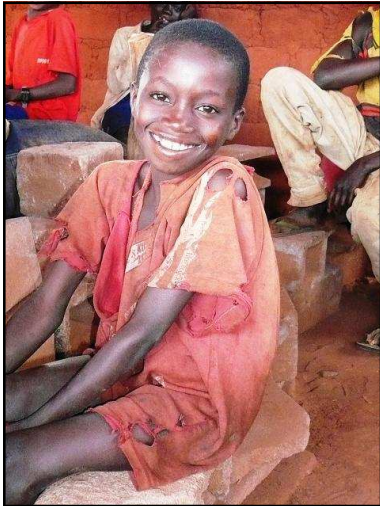


Central African Republic

Facts & Figures 2009



Projected Beneficiaries 2009

Mother and Child Health and Nutrition	112,200
Food Assistance to IDPs	97,000
Food Assistance to HIV/AIDS patients	25,000
Food for Education	195,300
Food for Work and Food for Training	35,500
Food Assistance to Refugees	3,000
Support to Orphans	21,000
Seed Protection	180,000
Total	669,000

WFP Focus:

Malnutrition and IDPs

WFP assists internally displaced people, Sudanese refugees, orphans and people living with HIV/AIDS and provides food assistance to protect the nutritional status of mothers and children at risk of malnutrition and to increase school enrolment, attendance and completion rates. The humanitarian air service provides a reliable and safe mode of transportation for the humanitarian community, and the logistics augmentation special operation caters to the increased transport demand expressed by several humanitarian partners. WFP is taking the lead in logistics and telecommunication clusters.

WFP has been active in the Central African Republic since 1969.

Success story:

Refugees escaping the attacks in Sudan

Escaping air attacks on the village of Daffak in the Sudan, almost 3,000 refugees were forced to flee their homes with nothing but the clothing on their backs and any meager supplies they could gather while rounding up their children and families.

After a ten-day journey on foot, the refugees arrived, hungry and exhausted in the northeastern town of Sam Ouandja in CAR. Already affected by rebel and government fighting, scarcely half of the town's population had remained in their homes. Located 1,000 km from Bangui, Sam Ouandja is in one of the country's most remote regions: access roads are mere dirt tracks.

WFP and its partners launched an immediate response: within days an emergency assessment, high energy biscuits and vital medical supplies were being flown in. It was a complex journey from the humanitarian warehouse in Accra to Sam Ouandja, where deliveries were restricted because the short runway could accommodate only small planes. But before long, supplies had reached the population under threat.

Throughout the rain season WFP secured the deliveries of food commodities and other resources. Its operation of the UNHAS provided the only link for humanitarian workers needing to reach the refugees.

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Operations:

Relief and Recovery Operation:

Duration: April 2008–December 2009
 Beneficiaries: 606,000
 Commodities: 47,660 tons
 Budget: US\$65.1 million

Strategic Objectives:

- To save the lives of people in food insecure areas
- To protect and rebuild livelihoods and build capacities of vulnerable households to resist shocks.
- To improve the health and nutrition of children aged 6-59 months and pregnant and lactating women, and reduce the impact of HIV on vulnerable groups.
- To support access to primary education and reduce gender inequalities
- To prepare the relief-development transition by building capacities of government organizations for monitoring food security and caring for vulnerable groups.

Programmes:

- Food-for-seed protection, assistance to IDPs and Sudanese refugees, Food-for-infrastructure development
- Food rations for people living with HIV/AIDS and their families, and tuberculosis (TB) patients
- School feeding programmes emphasize nutritional support to children and access to basic education by stabilizing attendance and improving the attention span of school children and children in community childcare centers.
- Selective feeding programmes targeting malnourished children below five years of age and pregnant and nursing women

Development Programme:

Duration: 1 October 2005–30 September 2009
 Beneficiaries: 237,000
 Commodities: 20,622 tons
 Budget: US\$24.3 million

Strategic Objectives:

- To contribute to an improved nutritional status, and increased enrolment, attendance, and retention of children in primary schools and community based childcare centres
- To participate in the improvement of healthcare and monitoring of children under five years of age in nutritional rehabilitation centres and pregnant and nursing women in mother and child health (MCH) centres.

Programmes:

- WFP assists on average 100,000 primary school children with its school feeding programme during each school year.
- Food assistance to pregnant and lactating women suffering from malnutrition through mother and child health activities.

Special Operations: Humanitarian Air Service and Logistics Augmentation

WFP-HAS supports humanitarian efforts in the Central African Republic, including WFP operations, by providing efficient and cost-effective air services to UN organizations, NGOs and donor representatives travelling to areas where surface transport is limited or unavailable due to the insecurity and bad road conditions. Furthermore, the humanitarian air services provides medical and security evacuations whenever required.

The Logistics Operation enhances the transport capacity of the humanitarian community through the provision of reliable secondary transport within CAR, ensuring timely delivery of humanitarian assistance and enhancing predictability, timeliness and efficiency of the logistics response to meet beneficiaries' needs by addressing logistics gaps and bottlenecks.

Top Donors 2005-2009 (US\$)

USA:	17.3 million
Japan:	6.8 million
France:	1.8 million
Italy	1.5 million
Canada:	1.0 million



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