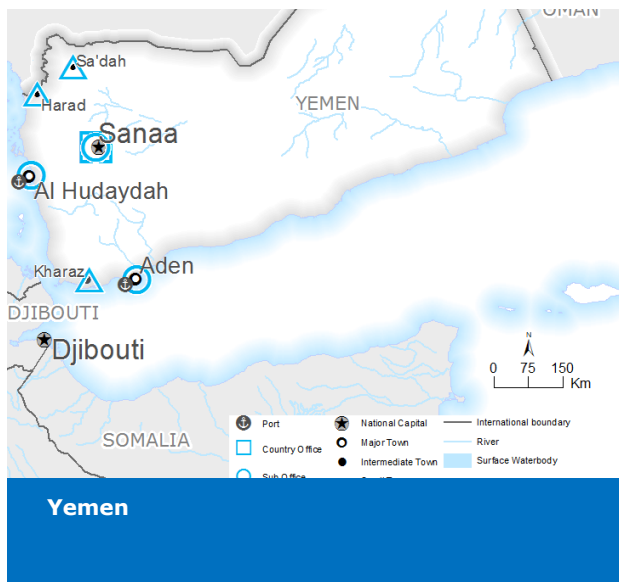




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## YEMEN: Responding to the Humanitarian Crisis in Yemen



### In numbers

**25.9 million** population

**12 million people** food insecure

**1.7 million people** reached with emergency food assistance

**545,719 newly internally displaced people** (OCHA)

**4,369 Yemeni refugees** in Djibouti and Somalia (UNHCR)

### Funding

**(received contributions):**

**PRRO 200636:** USD 225 million

**PRRO 200305:** USD 11.5 million

**Requirements for Emergency Response:**

**PRRO 200636 (May-July):**  
USD 128 million

**SO 200841 (Logistics and ETC Cluster):** USD 20.5 million

**SO 200845 (UNHAS):**  
USD 6.5 million

### Highlights

- Since the scale-up of WFP's operations on 15 April in response to the escalating crisis, WFP has assisted almost 1.7 million food insecure and conflict-affected Yemenis through food distributions of over 21,800mt in ten governorates.
- As part of its response scale-up strategy, WFP is finalising agreements with a range of local partners aiming to provide emergency food assistance to 2.5 million conflict-affected people in June and July 2015.
- UN Humanitarian Air Service (UNHAS) continues to facilitate the transportation of humanitarian passengers from Djibouti to Sana'a three times per week.
- The WFP-chartered MV Amsterdam berthed at Hudaydah on 2 June with 5,700mt of wheat grain, vegetable oil and pulses - enough to cover the needs of 390,000 people for one month.

### Situation Update

- The staff ceiling in for UN staff in Sana'a has been lifted from 17 to 70. WFP has been granted 11 spots, plus six for its common services - Emergency Telecommunications Cluster (ETC), Logistics Cluster and UNHAS.
- Checkpoints, insecurity, and the reluctance of transporters to access certain volatile areas remains a key challenge to the effective delivery of food commodities.
- Partners' timely communication of the distribution of WFP commodities continues to be affected by the breakdown of infrastructure in certain volatile areas.

### WFP Response

- In response to the escalating humanitarian crisis, WFP is scaling up operations to provide emergency food assistance to 2.5 million people per month until July 2015. From August, WFP intends to augment its operations even further, aiming, together with its partners, to reach as many of the 12 million food-insecure population as possible.
- WFP is working towards increasing its overall capacity in Yemen; a security assessment is currently ongoing to investigate a potential increase in operational presence in Hudaydah. WFP also plans to assess Aden, security permitting.
- On 31 May, following reports of ongoing fighting and security threats, the WFP-chartered MV Amsterdam, transporting 5,700mt of mixed commodities, was redirected to Hudaydah Port. The vessel berthed on 2 June.

**Food Assistance** 

- Since 1 June, 65,000 people have received food assistance in Shabwa and Sa'ada governorates.
- Since 15 April and the scale-up of WFP's emergency operations, WFP has assisted 1,714,000 food insecure and conflict-affected Yemenis, through food distributions of 21,800mt, in ten governorates (Aden, Al Mahwit, Amran, Dhamar, Hajjah, Hudaydah, Lahj, Sana'a, Sa'ada, and Shabwa). Of these, WFP assisted 811,000 women and girls and 322,000 children under the age of five.

**Logistics** 

- Since 15 April, WFP has dispatched over 26,000 mt to final delivery points in nine governorates (Shabwa, Al Dhale'e, Abyan, Lahj, Sa'ada, Hajja, Hudaydah, Aden and Amran).
- The WFP-chartered MV Amsterdam berthed at Hudaydah on 2 June carrying 5,700mt of wheat grain, oil and pulses; enough to cover the needs of 390,000 people for one month.
- The MV Drive Mahone is expected to arrive in Hudaydah on 4 June. The vessel is loaded with 144mt of vegetable oil (provided as part of an in-kind contribution from the USA) as well as 190,000 litres of fuel to be made available to partners through the Logistics Cluster.
- The MV Celine arrived in Hudaydah on 3 June carrying 7,000mt of wheat flour from Port Sudan.

**Clusters** 

**Logistics Cluster**

- The WFP-chartered MV Copenhagen, transporting 1.5 million litres of fuel to be made available for partners through the Logistics Cluster, for partners, will depart for Hudaydah or Aden on 4 June.
- **UNHAS:** UNHAS continues to facilitate the transportation of humanitarian passengers from Djibouti to Sana'a. On 2 June a flight transported three passengers and over 850kg of light cargo (medical items) on behalf of UNFPA and WHO.

**Food Security and Agriculture Cluster** 

- The results of the Integrated Food Security Phase Classification assessment will be shared on 10 June. However, immediate findings have

highlighted the south of Yemen as the most food insecure area of the country.

**Emergency Telecommunications Cluster (ETC)** 

- Efforts continue to ensure that humanitarian staff have both independent and reliable means of communicating.
- The procurement process has commenced for the provision of data connectivity, security telecommunications and solar-panel charging stations in the ETC planned hubs in Sana'a.

**Partnerships** 

- As part of the next phase of WFP's emergency response scale-up, WFP is formalising partnerships to ensure the distribution of food assistance as far as possible. Partners confirmed to support WFP until end-July are the Ministry of Education, Society for Humanitarian Solidarity and Islamic Relief.
- WFP is finalising agreements with 14 other partners aiming to enable WFP's food assistance to reach as widely as possible. All Field Level Agreements are due to be signed by 15 June.

**Resourcing Update** 

- Sustainable funding is essential to the immediate implementation of WFP's operational scale-up; from June to July, WFP requires USD 42.5 million every month for the emergency distribution to 2.5 million beneficiaries. From August, WFP plans to augment its support, together with partners, to assist as many of the 12 million food-insecure population as possible.
- With the expected receipt of resources under the Flash Appeal, WFP will still face a shortfall of USD 35 million for the next three months.

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WFP Operations in Yemen							
	Project Duration	Planned number of people	Total requirements (in USD)	Total received (in USD)	Shortfall (%)	People Assisted in 15 April to 3 June	
						Targeted	Reached
PRRO 200636	Jul 14 - June 16	6 000 000	510 853 748	224 996 309	56	<i>Emergency Response:</i>	<i>Emergency Response:</i>
						2 500 000	1 714 000*
PRRO 200305	Jan 13- Dec 15	153 800	14 208 665	11 551 338	19	<i>Non Emergency:</i>	<i>Non Emergency:</i>
						670 000	401 000
SO 200841**	Apr 15- Dec 15	—	20 482 060	0	100	—	—
SO 200845	May 15- Dec 15	—	7 287 530	0	89	—	—

\*Among them, at least 811,000 women/girls and 322,000 children under 5.

\*\*SO 200798 will be discontinued with the rollout of SO 200841 and resources under it transferred to SO 200841.