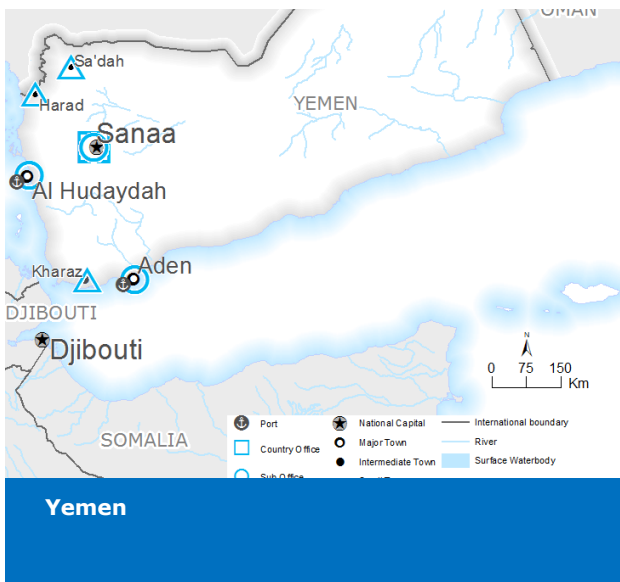




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YEMEN: Responding to the Humanitarian Crisis in Yemen



Highlights

- In June, over 137,000 people received almost 2,000 mt of emergency food assistance in six governorates.
- Around 10,000 mt of food will be dispatched by end of June - enough to cover 939,000 people for one month.
- The Memorandum of Understanding with the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia is currently under negotiation for the allocation of USD 142.8 million under the Flash Appeal.
- Limited access, due to constant insecurity, remains a fundamental obstacle to the effective delivery of food commodities to southern governorates both via road and via sea.

Situation Update

- The security situation remains largely unchanged; heavy airstrikes, rockets and artillery shelling continue, as well as ground fighting, throughout Yemen.
- In a press conference in Berlin on 25 June, the UN Under Secretary General, echoed the UN Special Envoy's recent call for an urgent ceasefire, re-emphasising that over 21 million people - 80 percent of the population - now need humanitarian assistance.
- Commercial shipping into Yemen is slowly increasing, but remains constrained by port congestion, uncertainty over coalition searches, and high fees due to the time spent by ships waiting to dock. Delays as long as 11 days have been reported at Hudaydah and Salif Ports, according to commercial sources.

In numbers



25.9 million population

6.1 million people severely food insecure

1.9 million people reached with WFP's emergency food assistance

1,019,762 newly internally displaced persons (OCHA)

4,369 Yemeni refugees in Djibouti and Somalia (IOM)

Funding Requirements for Emergency Response:

PRRO 200636 (June-August):
USD 103 million

SO 200841 (Logistics and ETC):
USD 20.5 million

SO 200845 (UNHAS):
USD 6.5 million

WFP Response

- Limited access, due to constant insecurity, remains a fundamental obstacle to the effective delivery of food commodities to southern governorates, via road and via sea. WFP-chartered vessels continue to be redirected to Hudaydah despite frequent attempts to deliver to Aden.
- The WFP chartered MV Mona completed its discharge of 2,700 mt of mixed food commodities in Hudaydah on 23 June.
- WFP will continue to scale up its response operations, together with its cooperating partners, to provide food assistance to at least 5 million people monthly of those who require emergency support by the end of December 2015.
- WFP has increased the number of its international staff to 14 in Sana'a. additional staff will be deployed in the coming days.

Food Assistance

- In June, over 137,000 people have received almost 2,000 mt of emergency food assistance in Abyan, Aden, Al Dhale, Hajja, Lahj, Shabwa and Sa'ada; (representing 5 percent achieved against the target of 2.5 million people planned for June). Of these, 63,000 were women/girls and 27,000 children under the age of five.
- Since 15 April, WFP has assisted 1.9 million food-insecure and conflict-affected Yemenis through the distribution of 25,000 mt of food assistance in 12 governorates (Abyan, Aden, Al Mahwit, Amran, Dhamar, Hajja, Hudaydah, Lahj, Sana'a, Sa'ada, and Shabwa) through communities and schools. Of these 1.9 million people, 900,000 were women/girls and 350,000 were children under the age of five.

Logistics

- June dispatches have so far totalled almost 6,000 mt which will cover emergency food needs for around 544,000 food-insecure people in the 10 worst-affected governorates.
- Around 10,000 mt of food will be dispatched by end of June - enough to cover 939,000 people for one month. The remaining June requirements of 13,300 mt, will be dispatched during the first ten days of July.
- The WFP-chartered MV Eva Marie, transporting 10,000 mt of wheat flour, has commenced discharge at Hudaydah Port. WFP intends to discharge 5,000 mt in Hudaydah and 5,000 mt in Aden - security permitting.

Clusters

Logistics Cluster

- The dedicated Logistics Cluster vessel, the MV Drive Mahone, is currently at anchorage in Djibouti, and will transport 308,000 litres of Diesel on behalf of partners as well as five refrigerated containers for the Yemeni Red Cross, to Hudaydah.
- In June, 48,800 litres of Diesel and 6,000 litres of petrol have been dispatched from Sana'a on behalf of partners.
- **UNHAS:** UNHAS continues to facilitate the transportation of humanitarian passengers. Since 27 April, UNHAS has transported 344 passengers

from 27 organisations, and almost 100 kg of light cargo between Djibouti and Sana'a.

Food Security and Agriculture Cluster

- WFP continues to participate actively in Food Security Cluster forum and to streamline strategies with relevant agencies.

Emergency Telecommunications Cluster (ETC)

- ETC has installed a VHF back-up radio room in the Sheraton Hotel, where UN international staff are currently based; this provides a method of monitoring the movements of the humanitarian community in Sana'a.
- Obtaining clearance to import telecommunications equipment remains the greatest challenge to the implementation of ETC activities in Yemen.

Partnerships

- WFP will work with 14 cooperating partners to cover a minimum of 5 million severely food-insecure people each month until December 2015.

Resourcing Update

- The Memorandum of Understanding with the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia is currently under negotiation for the allocation of USD 142.8 million under the Flash Appeal.
- Until August, WFP requires an additional USD 103 million for emergency food distributions to reach 2.5 million beneficiaries. Sufficient funds need to be secured now to ensure the timely arrival of relief commodities in Yemen in the coming months.

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| WFP Operations in Yemen | | | | | | | |
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| | Project Duration | Planned number of people | Total requirements (in USD) | Total received (in USD) | Shortfall (%) | People Assisted in 15 April to 29 June | |
| | | | | | | Targeted | Reached |
| PRRO 200636 | Jul 14 - June 16 | 6 000 000 | 510 853 748 | 224 996 309 | 56 | <i>Emergency Response:</i> 2 500 000 | <i>Emergency Response:</i> 1 900 000* |
| | | | | | | <i>Non Emergency:</i> 670 000 | <i>Non Emergency:</i> 476 000 |
| PRRO 200305 | Jan 13- Dec 15 | 153 800 | 14 208 665 | 11 551 338 | 19 | 41 350 | 17 600 |
| SO 200841** | Apr 15- Dec 15 | — | 20 482 060 | 0 | 100 | — | — |
| SO 200845 | May 15- Dec 15 | — | 7 287 530 | 780 904 | 89 | — | — |