WFP is the world’s largest humanitarian agency fighting hunger worldwide. Each year, on average, WFP provides food assistance to more than 90 million people in 80 countries.

WFP is also the UN logistics lifeline, saving lives through fast, efficient and effective emergency response. At any given time, WFP has **30 ships** at sea, **50 aircraft** in the sky and **5,000 trucks** on the ground, moving food and other assistance to where it is needed most.

WFP has developed sophisticated early warning techniques to assess the need for food and nutritional support, meaning assistance is targeted to the poorest and most undernourished people. More than 165 million children under five are stunted from chronic malnutrition that can stop them reaching their physical and mental potential. Good nutrition in the first 1,000 days of life is crucial. In 2013, WFP provided 7.8 million malnourished children with special nutritional support.

WFP is funded entirely by voluntary contributions. In 2013, WFP raised **US$4.38 billion**, of which **93 percent** directly supports field operations.

WFP works with more than **1,380 non-governmental organizations** to distribute food.

WFP is scaling up the use of cash and vouchers that allow hungry people to purchase food themselves. Cash and vouchers are particularly useful where food is available in the marketplace but people lack the resources to buy it. The number of these projects has increased from five in 2008 to 88 in 2013, reaching an estimated **7.9 million people**.

In 2013, WFP purchased over **2.1 million metric tons of food**, **86 percent** of which came from **developing countries**.

WFP is forging innovative partnerships with the private sector to better deliver and manage food assistance, using debit cards, mobile phones and online facilities.

In 2013, WFP provided school meals and take-home rations to **18.6 million children**, reaching an additional **1.2 million children** through Trust Funds.
Responding to the world’s largest and smallest humanitarian crises

**Syria**
WFP’s largest emergency operation has progressively scaled up both inside Syria and in five neighbouring countries hosting Syrian refugees since it began in October 2011. As Syrians continue to flee their homes and food access remains a high priority, WFP is adapting fast to a changing environment.

In 2014, WFP plans to reach 4.25 million people each month with food assistance across all 14 Syrian governorates, depending on funds and access. Working mainly with the Syrian Arab Red Crescent and 30 NGO partners on the ground, WFP also monitors food distributions in areas that are accessible and covered by its national and international staff from offices in Tartous, Qamishly, Homs and Damascus.

WFP plans to assist over 2.9 million Syrian refugees in Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon and Turkey, mainly through food vouchers that can be redeemed against a list of items, including fresh produce, which is not normally included in food rations. WFP is also managing logistics and supporting at least 13 other humanitarian organizations in the region.

**South Sudan**
Conflict in South Sudan since December 2013 has driven more than 1 million people from their homes. WFP and partners have provided food and nutrition assistance to hundreds of thousands of conflict-affected people in South Sudan. We are reaching more every day and overcoming severe challenges, including looting and continued fighting.

**Central African Republic**
With continuing violence, displacement and the near collapse of its economy, Central African Republic is in a food and nutritional crisis and urgently needs international assistance to avoid a humanitarian catastrophe. Nearly 1 million people have been forced to flee their homes, many of whom are being fed by WFP in neighbouring countries.