



# WFP Syria

## Situation Report #6

June 2017

### In Numbers

**13.5 m** people in need of humanitarian assistance

**6.3 m** people internally displaced

**9 m** people in need of food assistance

**4 million people assisted**  
June 2017



**GENDER MARKER 2A** PRRO 200988

**Global Humanitarian Funding**

**Overall:**  
**USD 3,407,792,269**  
**WFP share:**  
**USD 797,579,193**

### WFP Net Funding Requirements\*

PRRO 200988 **USD 259 million**

Logistics Cluster & ETC (SO 200788) **USD 4.7 million**

\*Net funding requirements until the end of 2017, including confirmed pledges and solid forecasts

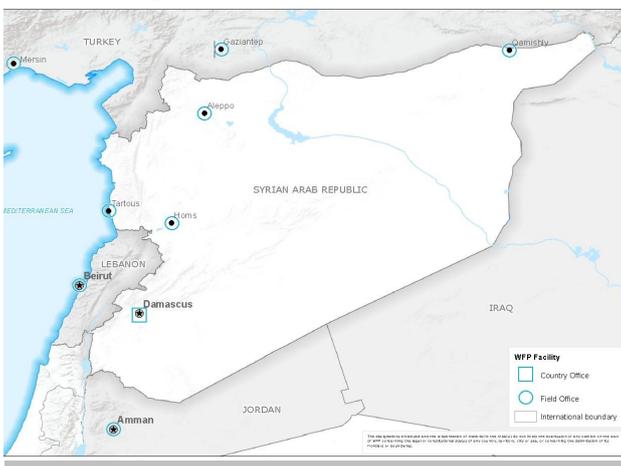


Photo: © WFP/Hussam Al-Saleh - Distribution of nutritious foods in Ein Issa, northern Ar-Raqqa

### Highlights

- WFP dispatched food assistance for over four million people; 33 percent of the assistance was delivered to areas reachable only through cross-border, cross-line and air deliveries, including besieged and hard-to-reach locations.
- WFP started regular distributions for the Ar-Raqqa response, incorporating over 185,000 people into the regular General Food Assistance programme.
- WFP phased out the airlift operation to Al-Hasakeh governorate, which was launched in July 2016, after land access to the governorate became possible through Aleppo.

### Situation Update

- In June, WFP delivered food assistance for four million people in all 14 Syrian governorates. About 33 percent of the food assistance was delivered through the cross-border operations from Jordan and Turkey, cross-line inter-agency convoys, and air operations.
- WFP continued to respond to population displacements from and within Ar-Raqqa governorate. Since April, about 190,000 have been displaced, and WFP provided assistance for almost 183,000 people during June. WFP now targets 185,500 people under the Ar-Raqqa response on a monthly basis though the General Food Assistance programme.
- In early June, WFP received government approval to conduct land deliveries to Al-Hasakeh governorate through Aleppo. Land deliveries started in mid-June and by early July, food assistance for 110,000 people have been delivered to WFP's warehouse in Qamishly city. The route is now used to conduct regular deliveries to Al-Hasakeh and to accessible parts of Ar-Raqqa and Deir Ezzor governorates, enabling WFP to discontinue the airlift operation to Qamishly, which had been in place since mid-2016.

### Population displacement in southern Syria

- The security situation in southern Syria remained tense in June. Heavy fighting was reported around Dar'a city and eastern surrounding areas, resulting in population displacements. On 17 June, the Syrian government announced a 48-hour ceasefire in Dar'a city and surrounding areas, which allowed 5,800 people to flee from Neimeh and Dar'a farms to safer eastern areas. WFP's partners conducted a rapid needs assessment and provided ready-to-eat (RTEs) rations to all newly displaced people. Another 2,500 people, who were previously displaced from Neimeh to areas in eastern Dar'a, were assisted with a second round of RTEs. In

anticipation of access constraints, WFP prepositioned food assistance for one month for 70,000 people in a cooperating partner's warehouse in eastern Dar'a. Another 4,900 RTEs, sufficient to cover the needs of almost 25,000 people for five days, were also prepositioned.

### Scale-up of bread assistance in Aleppo

- In response to the growing needs of returnees in Aleppo city, WFP increased wheat flour allocations from 61.5 mt to 73 mt per month. WFP contracted two bakeries in areas previously inaccessible to WFP. WFP is now providing fresh bread for 515,500 beneficiaries across the city and eastern rural Aleppo, compared to 440,000 people in early May. This scale-up is part of WFP's overall response to the food needs of returnees and vulnerable families in newly accessible areas in Aleppo.

### WFP Response

- In June, WFP dispatched food assistance for over four million people in all 14 Syrian governorates, achieving 99 percent of the monthly plan. Deliveries through cross-border, cross-line inter-agency convoys and air operations accounted for 33 percent of the total food assistance dispatched.
- Under the cross-border operation from Turkey and Jordan, WFP dispatched food for over 700,000 people living in opposition-held areas in Aleppo, Hama, Idleb, Dar'a and Quneitra governorates, which represents 17 percent of the total deliveries in June.
- WFP participated in three cross-line inter-agency convoys, providing food assistance for 202,500 people in the hard-to-reach areas of Talbiseh and Ar-Rastan in Homs and the besieged area of Harasta in Rural Damascus, last reached by WFP in October 2016.



### Food and Nutrition Assistance

- Under its nutrition interventions, WFP dispatched specialized nutrition products for the prevention of acute malnutrition for 73,786 children aged 6-23 months across the country. In addition, WFP targeted children aged 6-59 months and pregnant and nursing women with specialized nutrition products to treat acute malnutrition. In June, WFP dispatched nutrition supplies for 1,371 children and pregnant and nursing women in Rural Damascus, Aleppo, Lattakia and Al-Hasakeh governorates.
- Furthermore, WFP provided nutrition support to improve the dietary diversity of pregnant and nursing women, as their diet has a direct impact on the first 1,000 vital days of their child's life. In June, 11,276 pregnant and nursing women received cash-based nutrition support to purchase fresh food, including dairy products, meat, fruits and vegetables in Lattakia, Tartous, Homs and Rural Damascus governorates.

- As the school academic year ended in early May, WFP did not dispatch date bars to schools during this month under the school meals programme. As part of the cash-based assistance for out-of-school-children (OOSC), a total of 1,051 children were assisted in Homs and Lattakia governorates out of a planned 1,171 children. WFP is targeting children enrolled in Curriculum B (accelerated remedial classes run by UNICEF) with a monthly value of USD 20 per month.

### Livelihood and Resilience Projects

- Since the beginning of 2017, WFP has been implementing ten different livelihood activities, benefitting 75,000 people in eight governorates across the country. Projects are implemented in Aleppo, Dar'a, Hama, Homs, Lattakia, Rural Damascus, Tartous and As-Sweida governorates in cooperation with 11 cooperating partners. Projects include rehabilitation of bakeries, support to household agricultural production, beekeeping as well as vocational skills training. In June, WFP reached 53,155 beneficiaries with food assistance and various inputs through the current activities.



### Supply Chain

- In June, WFP's air operations to the besieged parts of Deir Ezzor city and the hard-to-reach regions of north eastern Syria continued to provide life-saving food assistance to the affected populations. Through the airdrop operation WFP provided sufficient food assistance for over 31,000 people in the besieged parts of Deir Ezzor city, while the airlift operation enabled WFP to dispatch food for 393,300 people in Al-Hasakeh, Ar-Raqqa and Deir Ezzor governorates.
- On 25 June, the airlift operation to Qamishly in Al-Hasakeh governorate was phased out after land access through Aleppo became possible. The WFP-led Logistics Cluster had conducted 533 airlifts to Qamishly since the operation was launched in July 2016, airlifting 18,857 mt of WFP food commodities and nutrition products as well as humanitarian supplies on behalf of humanitarian actors.

### Clusters and Common Services



### Food Security and Agriculture Sector

- The Food Security Sector has been actively engaged in the discussions and the preparation for the 2018 Humanitarian Needs Overview (HNO), which provides a detailed analysis of the most pressing humanitarian needs and estimated number of people who need assistance across the country. The Sector continued to coordinate with partners providing assistance to people displaced as a result of the ongoing military offensive in Ar-Raqqa governorate. The key priorities included the provision of immediate response within 72 hours of displacement as well as additional support beyond the first week of displacement.



## Logistics Cluster

- The WFP-led Logistics Cluster continued to facilitate logistics services, information management and logistic support to the humanitarian community operating within Syria.
- In June, the Logistics Cluster facilitated three inter-agency humanitarian convoys to hard-to-reach and besieged locations in Homs and Rural Damascus governorates. Around 5,108 m<sup>3</sup> of relief cargo was transported, including education, nutrition, food, sanitation, protection, shelter and health items in the framework of the inter-agency humanitarian convoys.
- In addition, 50.3 m<sup>3</sup> of WASH and Health cargo were transported to safe and accessible locations inside Syria on behalf of UNFPA.
- Furthermore, the Logistics Cluster stored 1,987 m<sup>3</sup> of newly received humanitarian goods in its common storage facilities in Qamishly and Rural Damascus on behalf of UN agencies and INGOs.
- In June, 42 airlift rotations were conducted from Damascus to Qamishly, transporting 3,711 m<sup>3</sup> of much needed humanitarian supplies on behalf of GOPA, ICRC, WFP, UNHCR and UNICEF. Rotation number 533 took place on 24 June after which the airlift operation was phased out as land deliveries to Qamishly are now feasible. However, should the need arise, the Logistics Cluster can reactivate the airlift operation.

## Resourcing Update

- WFP is grateful to the donors who have made contributions to the PRRO. With the current funding levels and low return movements, WFP is currently targeting over four million people under its general food assistance programme with a revised monthly food basket (1,500 kcal/per day). New funding is urgently needed to ensure continued and sustainable assistance. Without additional funds, WFP will be forced to further reduce the food basket in the future and reduce complementary activities such as education, nutrition and livelihood activities. To ensure continued assistance through the end of 2017, WFP requires an additional USD 259 million for its operation inside Syria.
- Likewise, for the Special Operation for the Logistics and Emergency Telecommunications Cluster, the current shortfall through the end of the year stands at USD 4.7 million. If additional funds are not forthcoming, the logistical and telecommunication services provided to the humanitarian community might need to be scaled down.

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## WFP Operation

	Total Requirements (in USD)	Net Funding Requirements (in USD)*	People Assisted (June 2017)	Female	Male
<b>PRRO 200988</b> (Jan 2017 – Dec 2018)	1,719 million	259 million	<b>4,036,570</b>	2,220,114	1,816,456
General Food Distribution			<b>4,036,570</b>	2,220,114	1,816,456
School Meals Programme			<b>0**</b>	-	-
Out-of-School Children			<b>1,051</b>	500	551
Blanket Supplementary Feeding Programme			<b>73,786</b>	37,631	36,155
Nutrition Support for Pregnant and Nursing Women (Cash Based Transfers)			<b>11,276</b>	11,276	
Targeted Treatment Programme			<b>1,371</b>	699	672
Livelihood activities			<b>53,155</b>	29,235	23,920

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\*\* School summer holiday between May and September 2017