

Overview

Earthquake Caseload: **2 million people**
Cost of WFP Earthquake operations in Haiti: **US\$585 million** (Food operations US\$475 million, Logistics/UNHAS US\$110 million)
Time frame: **January to December 2010**
WFP Staff in Haiti: **225 + 221 addl personnel** (between Haiti and Dom. Rep.)

Current Situation

- Following the completion of the first round of general food distributions by WFP and partners through fixed sites in the Port-au-Prince area, implementation plans are being established for a second, more targeted round focused on populations in informal settlement areas starting 6 March.
- WFP is reaching school-age children with a daily hot meal through 107 school sites. Distribution of nutritious supplements to children and women in informal settlements throughout Port-au-Prince also continues.
- Over 500,000 people have left Port-au-Prince for outlying departments. An estimated 160,000 people have gone from Port-au-Prince to the border area with the Dominican Republic. The Departments of Sud, Nippes and Centre have reported a population increase of 15-20% with major food security implications. 157 of the 326 IDP camps surveyed by the Joint Research Centre of the European Union are at risk of flooding, landslides, heavy rain and hurricanes. Currently over 700,000 Haitians are in need of shelter materials.
- Management of the Port-au-Prince international airport and the handling of humanitarian cargo at the port are transitioning to Haitian authorities and commercial operators. As the two floating docks and much of the repair and other equipment at the port belong to the US Military, discussions are ongoing as to ways to ensure continuity of operations and services as the forces reduce their presence. While repairs to the south pier are expected to be completed by the second week of April, full repairs will take additional time.
- The rehabilitation of the major road axis (National 1, roads to Jacmel, Bourdon and Canapé Vert) is due to start in March. In light of the upcoming rainy season, priority repairs are needed for the stretch from Jimani to Port-au-Prince to ensure continued humanitarian cargo delivery.

WFP Response

- Since the earthquake struck on 12 January, WFP has delivered food to nearly 3 million people in the form of a two-week ration of rice through the fixed site distribution network in Port-au-Prince. Outside Port-au-Prince, WFP has reached more than 350,000 beneficiaries with food rations composed of rice, corn soya blend, oil, beans and salt, including reinforced food assistance in the South West, North and Artibonite departments, which are hosting significant numbers of displaced people from Port-au-Prince. In Gonaïves, WFP-supported school feeding has resumed, with a 10% increase in pupils, incorporating new students from families displaced from Port-au-Prince. WFP is also working with partners to ramp up combined cash- and food- for work activities in rural areas, engaging both displaced people and their host communities in support of the agriculture season and rural livelihoods.

FOOD ASSISTANCE PROGRAMMES:

- After the surge operation, **targeted general food distributions** will start in Port-au-Prince on 6 March, aiming to reach 1.9 million beneficiaries with a two week ration of rice and a one month ration of beans, CSB, oil and salt. The distribution plan has been finalized with Government, mayors, NGO partners and WFP.
- To prioritize rehabilitation and reconstruction, **Food for Work** and **Cash for Work** activities are being scaled up in the capital and other earthquake-affected areas, and will provide affected populations with temporary jobs. Projects will primarily be linked to debris removal and the clearing of canals as a mitigation measure against flooding during the rainy season. Projects requiring higher levels of technical inputs will be phased in as partners build their capacities. Discussions are currently taking place with Government, local authorities, NGOs and UN agencies to standardize the various activities in this sector.
- For **Blanket Supplementary Feeding (BSF)**, full coverage is expected by the first week of March, targeting children 6-59 months and pregnant/lactating women for the camp-based population within PaP. WFP is working with UNICEF, WHO, UNFPA, ACF, AVSI, FONDEFH, PESADEV and Concern to distribute nutritious

supplements (supplementary plumpy and corn soya blend) to vulnerable women and children in 42 spontaneous IDP camps in the Port-au-Prince area. The activity is targeting 53,600 children under five and 16,000 pregnant and lactating women, and links supplementary food distributions with nutrition monitoring. A **three-month BSF activity** will follow throughout the country, aiming to reach 400,000 children under 5 and 160,000 Pregnant and Lactating Women. Simultaneously, Supplementary Feeding Programmes will be reinstated to treat children with moderate acute malnutrition.

- WFP will be targeting 20,000 **orphans** (85% are in PaP). Blanket General Food rations and Supplementary Rations are being distributed to orphanages. Some 30 percent of the orphanages have education facilities, which over the next 3 months will be integrated into the school feeding programme. Institutions with malnourished children will fall under nutrition interventions. WFP is partnering with International Medical Corps, Samaritan's Purse, ACDI-VOCA, ACTED and UNICEF to provide supplementary food to orphanages, including plumpy nut and High Energy Biscuits.
- **Meals for school-age children** started the last week of February and will support 148 schools and about 71,000 children in greater PaP with plans to scale this up to 800,000 children country wide. WFP and partners are using the School Feeding Network already in place as an emergency safety net for children affected by the earthquake (including IDPs in different provinces).

ASSESSMENTS:

- The **Emergency Food Security Assessment** (EFSA) protection analysis has indicated that the link between protection concerns and food insecurity has become more pronounced in the post-earthquake context. However, results have shown that the food security of some previously marginalised groups (e.g. street children) has benefited from community action. The executive summary of the EFSA will be launched end of this week and final report should be ready by Mid March. Initial findings from the Emergency Food Security Assessment indicate 52% food insecurity in earthquake-affected areas and over 70% food insecurity in IDP camps located in these areas. This assessment has been led by the Coordination Nationale de la Sécurité Alimentaire (CNSA), along with FAO, FEWSNET, Action contre la faim, OXFAM and WFP.

LOGISTICS:

- The Logistics Cluster currently manages a **fleet of 85 trucks**. The Logistics Cluster is helping authorities with truck customs procedures at the Jimani border crossing. To date the WFP-led Logistics Cluster in Port-au-Prince has transported 1,168 mt (5,482 m3) of goods out of Port-au-Prince. 926 mt has been transported by Handicap International/Atlas Logistique out of Jacmel, Petit Goave, Cap Haitien and Gonaives. 53 UN agencies and NGOs have used the interagency transport service. From Dominican Republic, 607 truckloads have been dispatched from Santo Domingo to various destinations in Haiti, transporting 1,835 mt of food and 14,328m³ of NFIs and for 52 different organisations.
- Still in place in Port-au-Prince are three UNHAS **helicopters** for cargo transport and one helicopter provided by the Government of Switzerland for inter-agency assessments. UNHAS is running a twice-daily passenger service from Santo Domingo to Port-au-Prince and an additional daily cargo service of more than 20 mt capacity. To date, UNHAS has transported over 3,600 passengers from over 250 different organisations. To book seats on the flight, contact unhaspax.haiti@wfp.org. UNHAS flights around the country are now running through the week. The schedule and more detailed information on the Logistics Cluster can be found at <http://www.logcluster.org/ops/hti10a>.

INTERAGENCY COORDINATION:

- WFP, FAO and IFAD announced the formation of a new task force to support the government of Haiti in the implementation of an immediate and longer-term food security strategy that integrates agricultural production and social safety nets. Current efforts are focused on finalizing joint actions needed over the next several weeks to support the upcoming planting season.
- WFP is heading the Food Aid, Logistics and Emergency Telecommunications clusters in both Haiti and the Dominican Republic.

Resourcing Update

- WFP is urgently appealing for further commitments by governments, private companies and individuals to support the extension of its emergency food assistance and logistics operations for the people of Haiti.
- Announced contributions to WFP operations amount to US\$244 million. Significant in-kind donations of food, equipment and expertise have also been committed.