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Eastern Africa, Regional Overview

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EASTERN AFRICA OVERVIEW



63M food insecure across Eastern Africa as of November 2023



Conflict and insecurity, climate and socio-macroeconomic shocks are key drivers

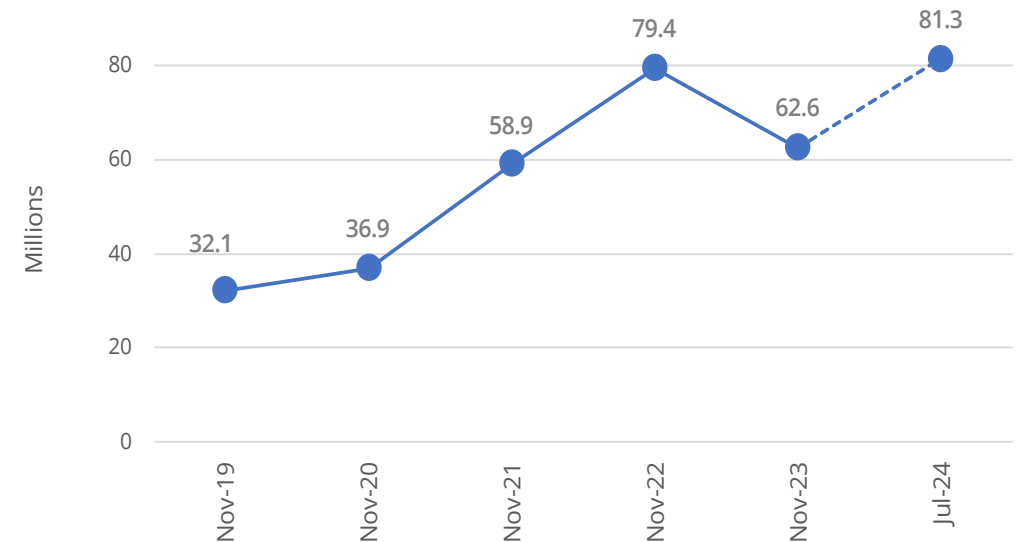


Nearly **18M** people forcibly displaced-exacerbated by Sudan crisis



Ethiopia, Somalia, Sudan and South Sudan - hotspots of highest concern

FOOD INSECURITY TRENDS SINCE 2019 AND PROJECTIONS FOR 2024



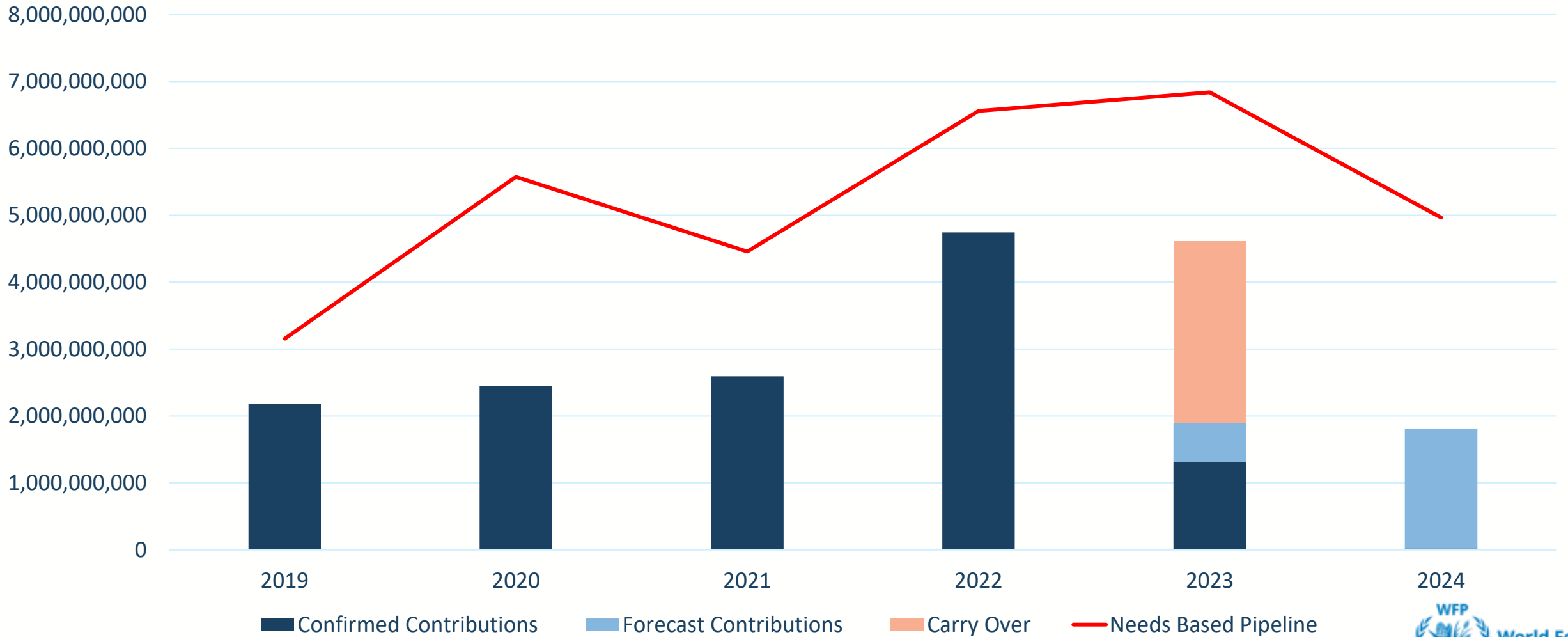
***NOTE:** The dashed line is used to indicate projected food insecurity levels. Projections are based on trends IPC and in the cost of living.*



WFP targeting a record number of 47 million people whilst facing a unique year of prioritization

FUNDING

Comparing RBN Annual Pipeline Needs vs Confirmed & Forecast contributions including carry-over resources in 2023



Confirmed Contributions

Forecast Contributions

Carry Over

Needs Based Pipeline

THE IMPLICATIONS OF PRIORITIZATION IN EASTERN AFRICA

EFFECTS ON BENEFICIARIES

10 million (1 of 3 beneficiaries in IPC3+) will be removed from life-saving assistance due to prioritization:

- **74%** reduction of beneficiaries in *Somalia*
- **48%** reduction of beneficiaries in *Ethiopia*
- **48%** reduction of beneficiaries in *South Sudan*

EFFECTS ON HUNGER

Reduction in assistance will lead to **households moving from IPC3 to IPC4** in 2024

Highest increase to existing IPC4 will be in **Somalia, Sudan and South Sudan**, leading to a minimum projected



30% increase in hunger in these three countries

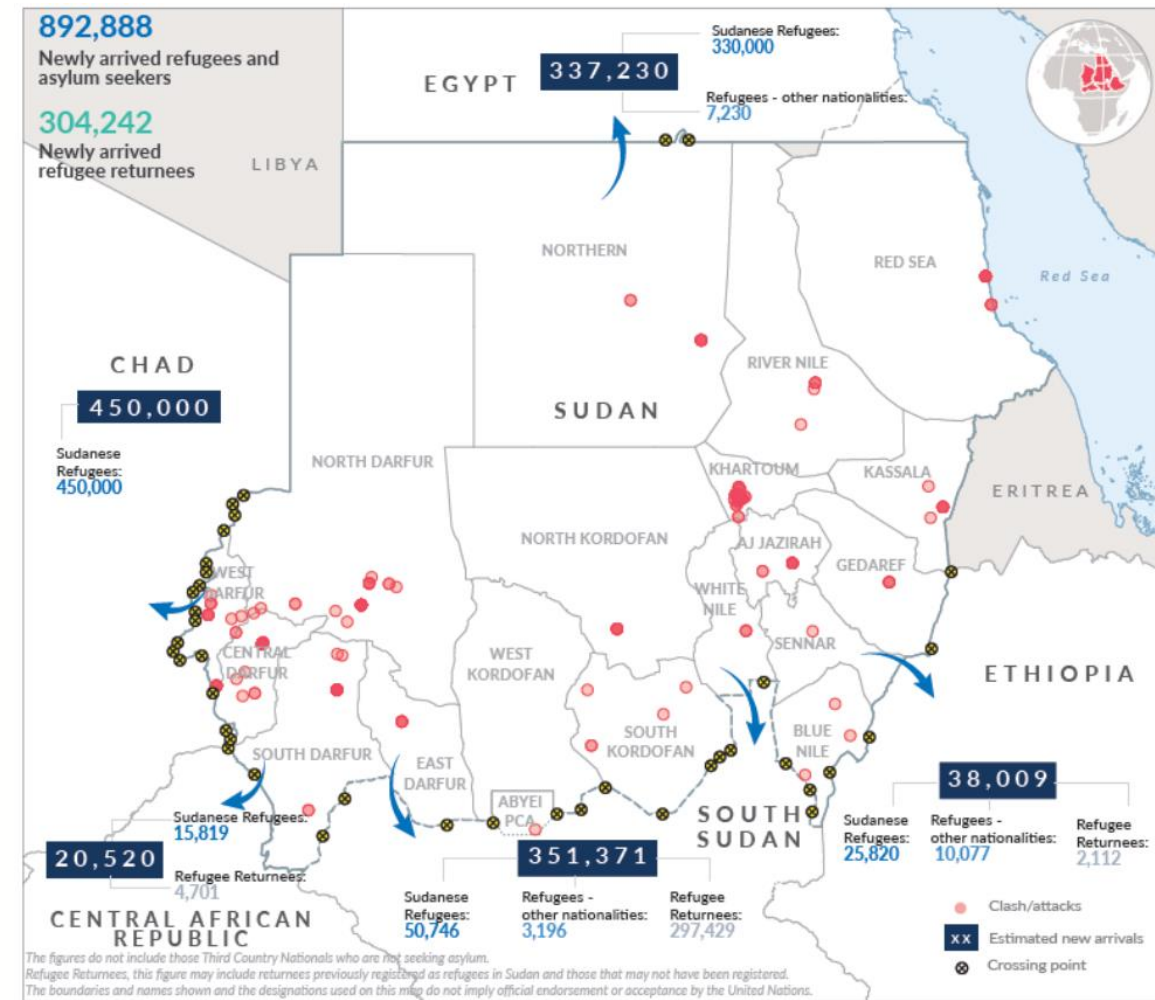
SUDAN

- Over **20M** acutely food insecure – from **9 million** in 2022
- Conflict already displaced **4.6M internally** and made **1.3M refugees**
- Persistent challenges around **humanitarian access, bureaucratic impediments, security**
- WFP has assisted **3.4M** since May - plans to reach **5M** by December. **Corporate Scale Up** extended to February 2024
- Risk of becoming **forgotten crisis** - urgent establishment of a **lasting ceasefire** critical



REGIONAL IMPLICATIONS OF SUDAN CONFLICT

- Conflict undermines **regional security and stability**
- Nearly **1.3M** people have fled to neighbouring countries – **CAR, Chad, Ethiopia, South Sudan**, and others with limited absorption capacity
- Economic hardship and trade disruptions led to **significant commodity price spikes** – affecting regional food security
- **Response at scale** required to prevent widespread acute food insecurity and continued displacement





- Nealy **20M** people need humanitarian assistance
- Operating **context remains fragile** owing to conflict and recovery from climate shocks
- WFP has reinforced controls through a **comprehensive Reassurance Project** addressing end-to end processes
- WFP has resumed assistance to refugees - **530,000** reached so far
- **Dire humanitarian situation** calls for a wider resumption of life saving assistance



USD 270 million needed to support those most food insecure in the next 6 months (Nov 2023 - April 2024)

SOMALIA

- **4.3M** people need humanitarian assistance (IPC3+) and over **1M** people facing severe hunger (IPC 4)
- **Intense flooding** now affected **700,000 people** after decade-long drought
- WFP is a strong partner to Government in **resilience building and climate-adaptive** hunger solutions
- Adoption of **system wide** approach to tackle root causes of aid diversion. WFP leading workstreams under **Humanitarian Country Team Action Plan**



POPULATION DISPLACEMENT

- Millions on the move: region hosts nearly **18M forcibly displaced** - up from **16M** in January 2023
- Food ration cuts of up to **70%** affect **over two thirds of all refugees** in the region
- **WFP and UNHCR** collaborating on self-reliance and social protection for protracted cases
- Need **collective re-think and durable solutions** to protracted displacement
- Initiatives such as 2024 South Sudan Regional Refugee Response Plan **shifting focus to include resilience interventions**



GOOD NEWS FROM THE REGION



**Anticipatory Action
Successful Rollout**



**Water Security for Food
Security**

**UNEP MoU
Africa Climate Summit
COP 28**



**School Meals
Coalition
East African
Regional Network
Launch**





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