



# Harnessing the Power of Cash to Help People Survive and Thrive

Cash-Based Transfer Division

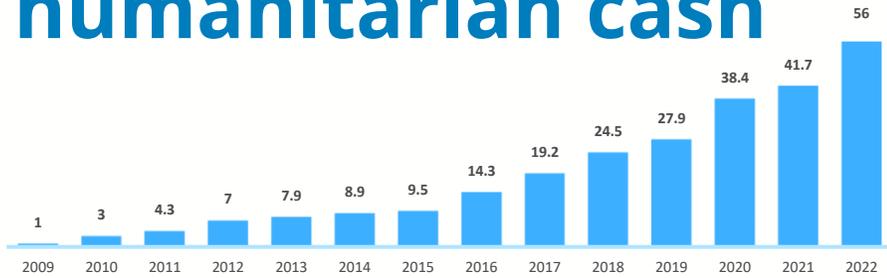
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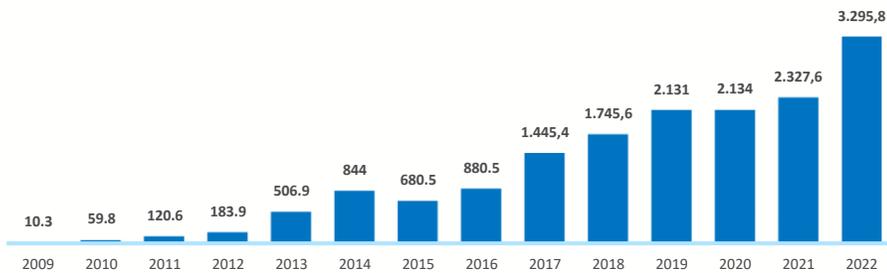
# WFP: the largest and most efficient provider of humanitarian cash



CBT reached **56 million people** in 2022

# MILLION OF PEOPLE SERVED

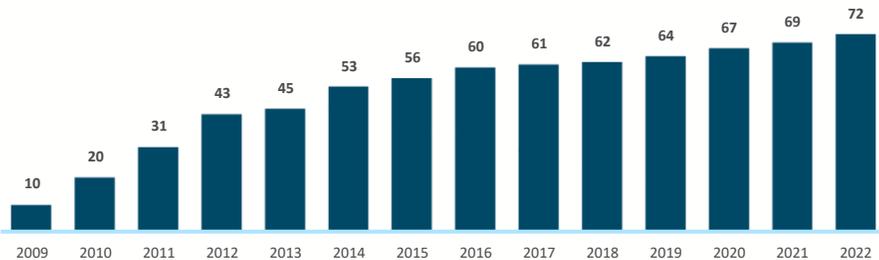
from **1M** of people in 2009



WFP delivered **US\$3.3B** in 2022

US\$ DELIVERED

from **US\$10M** delivered in 2009



CBT was used in **72 countries** in 2022

# OF COUNTRIES USING CBT

from **10** countries in 2009

# Snapshot of CBT *as of mid 2023*

So far this year,  
WFP has delivered

## US\$1.6B

in Cash-Based Transfers  
and commodity vouchers

↑  
**+17%**

compared with the same  
period in 2022

CBT is  
**37%**  
Of WFP's total  
assistance portfolio



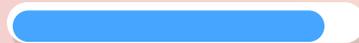
**14.5%**

sent as  
**mobile money**

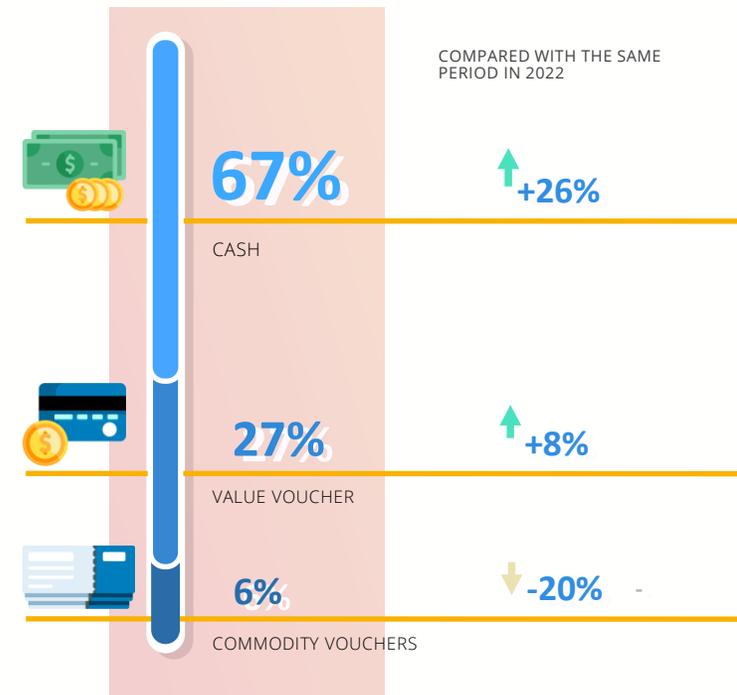


**87%**

was sent as  
**unconditional  
resource transfer**



## Total distributions



In 2022 WFP supported cash operations in

**72 countries**

Compare to **69** countries in 2021

**39**

countries have scaled-up or started new CBT operations

**Top 10 countries**

(USD - \$)

		% OF WFP'S GLOBAL CBT PORTFOLIO	COMPARED TO 2021
Somalia	474M	14%	↑ +133%
Ukraine	383M	12%	↑ No CBT operation in 2021
Afghanistan	357M	11%	↑ +709%
Lebanon	368M	8%	↑ +20%
Jordan	163M	5%	↓ -7%
Bangladesh	160M	5%	↑ +5%
Yemen	160M	5%	↓ -56%
Nigeria	88M	3%	↑ +21%
Sudan	88M	3%	↑ +46%
Niger	75M	2%	↑ +116%

# WFP's New Cash Policy : our guiding principles

## 1. A people-centred approach

- Cash ensures an empowering and dignified experience: how we serve people matters

## 2. People know best what they need

- Unrestricted cash whenever possible ensures people have the flexibility to choose how and when to spend money

## 3. Everyone deserves a healthy diet

- Cash is more responsive to essential needs, enabling people to diversify their diets and avoid difficult trade-offs that impact their food security and nutrition



AS AN ORPHAN, AMINA  
RAISED HERSELF, LIVED OFF  
THE LAND THEN JOINED  
A LOANS SCHEME -

*"I started  
saving money...  
and bought  
a farm"*

- AND NOW SHE'S  
AN ENTREPRENEUR.

**AMINA**

# WFP's New Cash Policy: the outcomes we aim to achieve

1. People in emergencies have **access to money to cover their urgent needs**
2. **People's purchasing power is safeguarded** and the economy is supported during times of economic volatility
3. **People are more financially resilient** as a result of digital financial inclusion
4. **Governments have strengthened cash transfer programmes** and government-to-person (G2P) payment systems
5. **Food-insecure women have greater economic power**



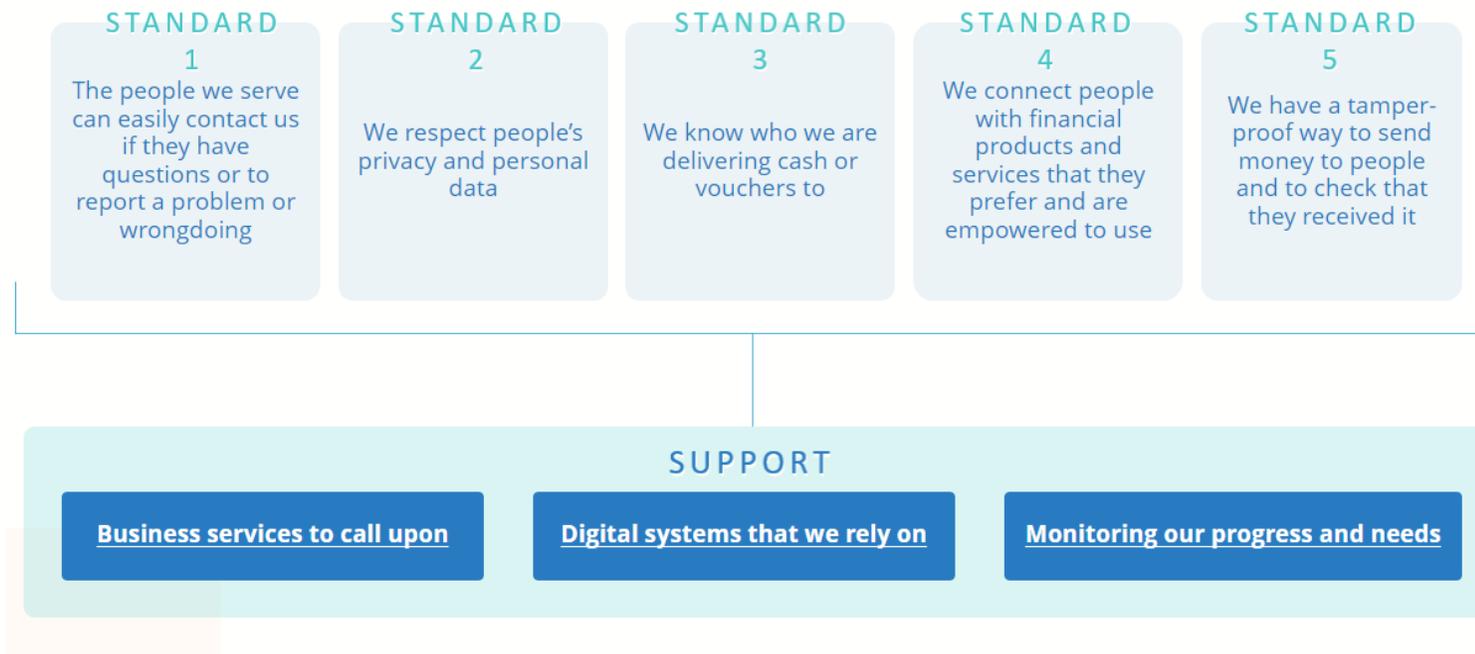
*"I opened two more branches of mobile money and was able to buy 5 cows and 2 goats"*

**CHANTAL**  
IN NAKIVALE, UGANDA

# ID Management: a WFP corporate priority to ensure WFP assistance reaches the right people

WFP is expanding and strengthening Identity Management (IDM) operational standards and mitigation measures that already exist for cash operations to WFP's food operations, with an initial focus on 31 high-risk countries.

## Assurance Standards & Support to Country Offices



*Thank you!*  
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