Eastern Africa, Regional Overview

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Food security overview

- **79 million people** estimated to be food insecure in the region
- **Climate shocks, conflict, COVID-19** and rising **costs** are primary drivers of need
- Estimated **4.7 million refugees** and **12.4 million** internally displaced people
- **Outlook remains poor** with drought conditions expected to worsen
Horn of Africa drought

Severe drought in Somalia, Ethiopia and Kenya – up to 13 million affected

Devastating impact on crop and livestock production and water resources

Support through relief and nutrition assistance and anticipatory actions

USD 327 million needed to reach 4.5 million people
Anticipatory action

Critical to protecting food security and nutrition and building resilience

Implementation in Djibouti, Ethiopia, Kenya, Uganda and Burundi

Somali Region, Ethiopia – anticipatory cash transfers and early warning messaging

Lessons learned and way forward
More than **nine million people** need food assistance in **Tigray, Afar and Amhara**

**83 percent of Tigrayans** are food insecure

The response is not moving at the **pace and scale needed**

WFP needs **USD 302 million** for the next **six months** to support Northern Ethiopia
South Sudan

Unprecedented year of hunger, with 8.3 million expected to be food insecure

Conflict and multiple climatic shocks – devastating floods and drought

Renewed focus on strengthening resilience and livelihoods

Limited funding has led to severe ration cuts
Humanitarian needs growing due to economic crisis and socio-political instability

9.8 million food insecure people - highest in IPC history

Significant impact of a poor harvest

Sudan Family Support Programme remains uncertain
**Good news from the region**

**Enhancing engagement with the State of Eritrea**

**Investing in climate resilience in Kenya** supporting more than 400,000 people

**International financial institutions**
Continued engagement in Somalia, Burundi, Rwanda, Kenya, Uganda, South Sudan and Sudan

**New opportunities in the Republic of Burundi**

**Supply chain**
In 2021, WFP moved 2 million MT of food in the region, injecting USD 641 million into local economies

**LEWIE Studies**
WFP operations have a multiplier effect through resource injections in local economies
FUNDING

2021 was a record year with **USD 2.2 billion** received from donors

Increased **diversification of funding base**

Annual funding needs for 2022 total **USD 4.3 billion** and are expected to rise

**USD 2 billion** is required for the next six months
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