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Eastern Africa, Regional Overview

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Food security overview



89 million people estimated to be food insecure in the region



South Sudan, Ethiopia and Somalia hotspots of highest concern



Four of the most neglected refugee crises are in Eastern Africa



Surge in food insecurity expected due to **increase in costs** and **ongoing drought**



Impact of Ukraine crisis



In 2021, WFP procured food worth **USD 224 million from Ukraine**



Significant increase in the **average cost of local food basket**



Kenya, Ethiopia and Sudan have highest risk of fertiliser shortages



Decrease in cereal production could result in **+7 million** food insecure people



Horn of Africa drought



Unprecedented drought in **Somalia, Ethiopia, Kenya and Djibouti**



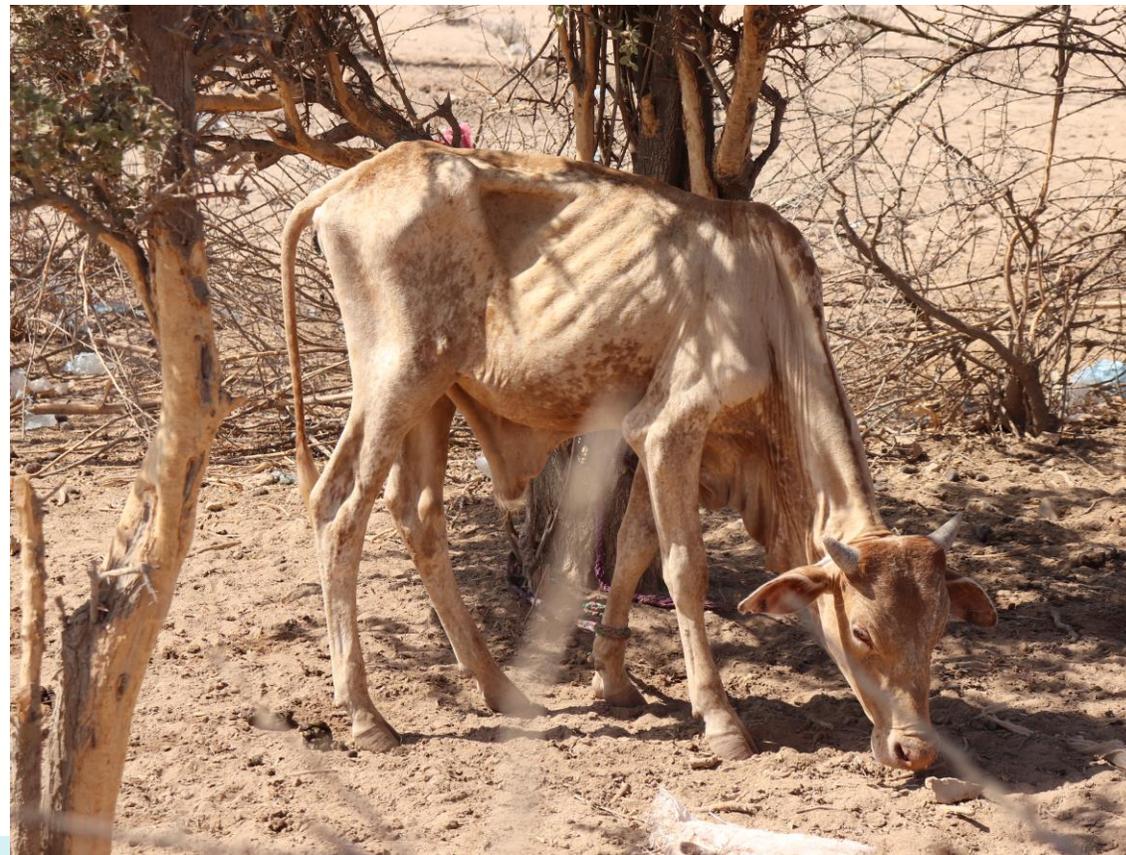
18.5 million people affected – could rise to **more than 20 million**



WFP needs **USD 982 million** to reach **7.8 million** people



Early action is key to averting catastrophe



Sudan



Military takeover continues to impact WFP operations



Over 15 million food insecure people (34 percent of the population)



Intercommunal violence intensified since 2021, especially in **Darfur**



Funding shortfalls leading to **ration cuts** and **conditional support**





South Sudan



7.7 million hungry - highest levels of food insecurity since independence



Uptick in violence leading to new displacements and disrupted operations



Fourth consecutive year of extended, **large-scale flooding**



Resource prioritisation in areas most at **risk of famine**





Ethiopia



More than **13 million people** need food assistance in **Tigray, Afar** and **Amhara**



Significant progress in **food deliveries** and **humanitarian access**



Fuel and **funding** fast running out



Drought response in southern and south-eastern Ethiopia



Economic impact of WFP operations



Economic benefits related to production, income, labour and trade



Real GDP increases by USD 1.42 for each dollar spent by WFP



365,600 jobs for **unskilled workers** and 20,100 job for **skilled workers**



Impact of supply-chain led activities through **food systems lens**



Funding



Unprecedented needs outpacing funding



USD 2 billion is required from **June to November 2022**



Cost of **inaction**



Strengthened IFI engagement increasing **funding from national governments**





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