Regional Bureau for Western Africa

Executive Board

26 June – 30 June 2023
Food insecurity in the region has quadrupled since 2019 and over 45,000 people in Phase 5 identified.

CH Phase 5 (2023): 45,201 people

✓ 42,694 in Burkina Faso
✓ 2,507 in Mali

June 2018: 12.7 m
June 2019: 12.6 m
June 2020: 24.5 m
June 2021: 31.1 m
June 2022: 43 m
June 2023: 47.2 m
The severity in the deterioration of food security is mainly conflict-driven.

Security Incidents and Fatalities (Region)

- # incidents
  - 2016: 2,844
  - 2017: 3,911
  - 2018: 5,639
  - 2019: 7,061
  - 2020: 11,232
  - 2021: 12,113
  - 2022: 13,752
  - Increase: +95%

- # fatalities
  - Data: ACLED
  - 2016: 13,456
  - 2022: 24,036
  - Increase: +79%

Conflict Deaths (Central Sahel)

- Mali
- Burkina Faso
- Niger

- 2018: 751
- 2017: 1,292
- 2016: 2,525
- 2019: 4,802
- 2020: 6,244
- 2021: 5,751
- 2022: 10,037
- Increase: +109%

Visual: José Luengo-Cabrera
WFP is leveraging all means to address this record level of needs.

**Supply Chain Response Capabilities**

- **Air-lift operations** (Burkina Faso)
- **Global Commodity Management Facility & advance financing** (Chad)
- **Alternative supply routes** (Ghana, Côte d'Ivoire and Niger)

**Climate–Risk Financing**

- **Macro and micro insurance & Anticipatory Action**
  - African Risk Capacity (ARC) Replica insurance in Burkina Faso, The Gambia and Mali
  - Micro-insurance with IFAD and the Green Climate Fund in the G5 Sahel, The Gambia and Senegal
WFP is rolling out a sub-regional strategy in the Gulf of Guinea countries to seize a small prevention window.

WFP sub-regional strategy (2 pillars):

1. Strengthening national systems and local governance to reinforce the resilience of border-zone communities.
2. Reinforcing emergency preparedness and response capabilities to assist affected populations.

USD 20.6 million required over the next six months.
Reduced assistance due to funding shortfalls may lead to increased destabilization in the region.

13 million people left without assistance in the 8 most-affected countries*

- Needs (CH Phase 3+): 19.23 millions
- WFP Response Plan: 11.62 millions
- WFP Prioritization Plan: 6.22 millions

*Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Chad, Mali, Mauritania, Niger and North East Nigeria
WFP is strengthening its partnerships to reinforce pathways to reduce humanitarian needs in the region.

**Resilience-building**
- Integrated Sahel Resilience Programme
  - *G5 Sahel*

**Joint Programme SD3C**
- *G5 Sahel & Senegal*

**Africa Integrated Climate Risk Management Programme**
- *G5 Sahel, Senegal & The Gambia*

**Adaptive Social Protection**
- Shock-responsive Social Protection in the Sahel
  - *G5 Sahel*

**Logos**
- UNICEF
- FAO
- GIZ
- IFAD
- World Bank
WFP is also reinforcing its collaboration with regional institutions to advance national priorities.

Under the auspices of ECOWAS

“Investing in homegrown school feeding to strengthen human capital, women’s empowerment and contribute to economic development”

Regional Conference

Location: Abuja, Nigeria

Date: September 11-14, 2023
Funding remains a critical challenge in the region

Funding Gap - 59 percent

Target Number of Beneficiaries
17.7 Million
(approved)

Total Needs (next six months)
USD 1.6 BN

Shortfall
USD 951 M

Funded
USD 666 M

(as of May 22, 2022)