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Eastern Africa, Regional Overview

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EASTERN AFRICA OVERVIEW



Nearly **58M** food insecure across Eastern Africa



Conflict, natural hazards and **economic shocks** are intersecting to drive food insecurity regionally

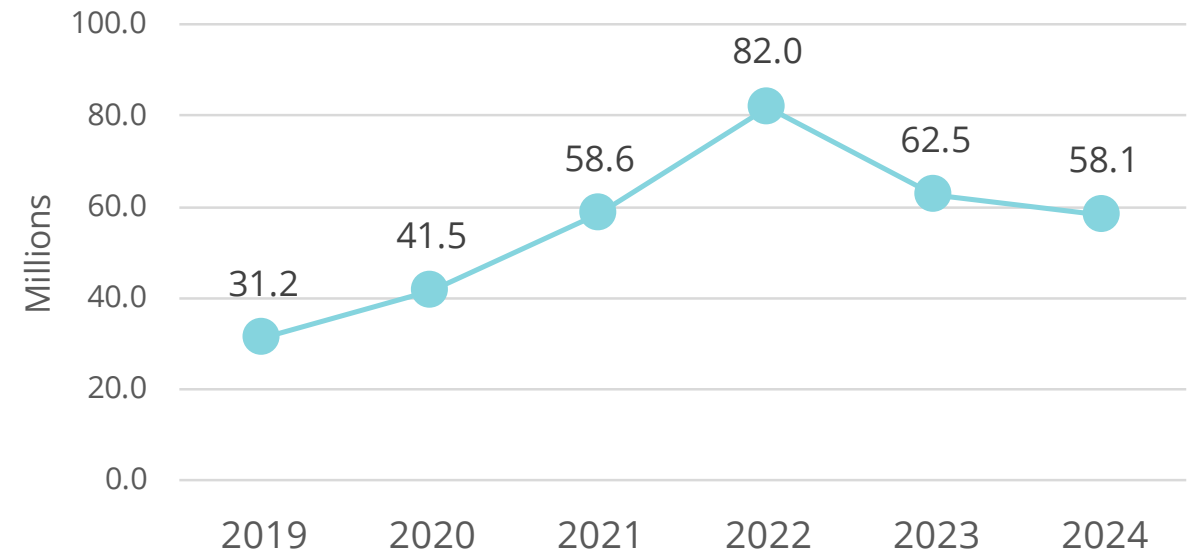


Nearly **19M** people forcibly displaced-exacerbated by Sudan crisis



Ethiopia, Somalia, Sudan and South Sudan among the most severe global food crises

FOOD INSECURITY TRENDS SINCE 2019

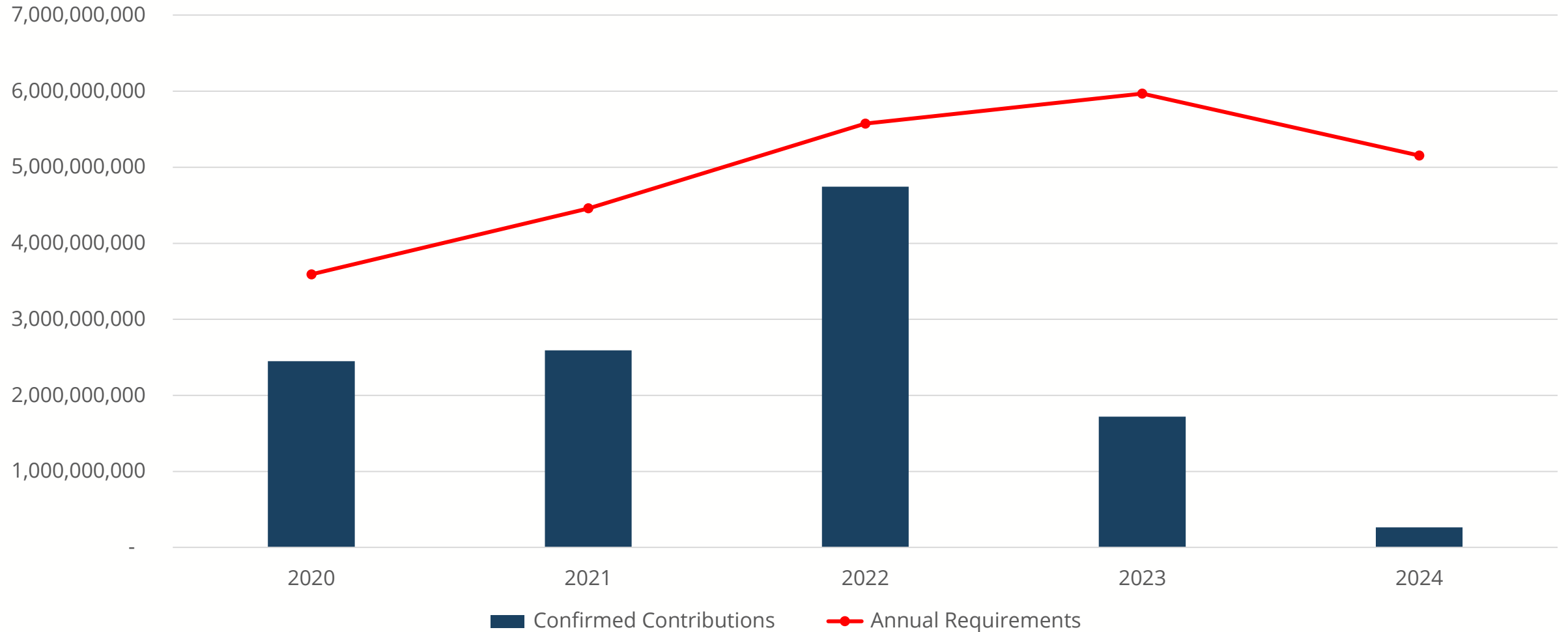


The number of food insecure people in Eastern Africa nearly **DOUBLED** in only 5 years (2019-2024)

WFP targeting nearly 41 million people whilst facing intense year of prioritization

FUNDING

ANNUAL REQUIREMENTS VS CONFIRMED CONTRIBUTIONS



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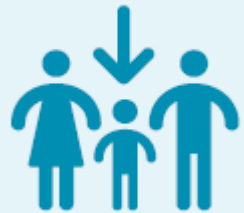
THE IMPLICATIONS OF PRIORITIZATION IN EASTERN AFRICA

EFFECTS ON HUNGER



Reduction in assistance risks **moving households from IPC3 to IPC4** in 2024 with an expected **30% increase in hunger**

EFFECTS ON BENEFICIARIES



Ethiopia, Somalia, Sudan and **Uganda** have been forced to reduce the number of beneficiaries

10 million beneficiaries will be excluded due to prioritisation



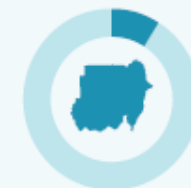
SOMALIA
74%
Reduction



ETHIOPIA
48%
Reduction



UGANDA
31%
Reduction



SUDAN
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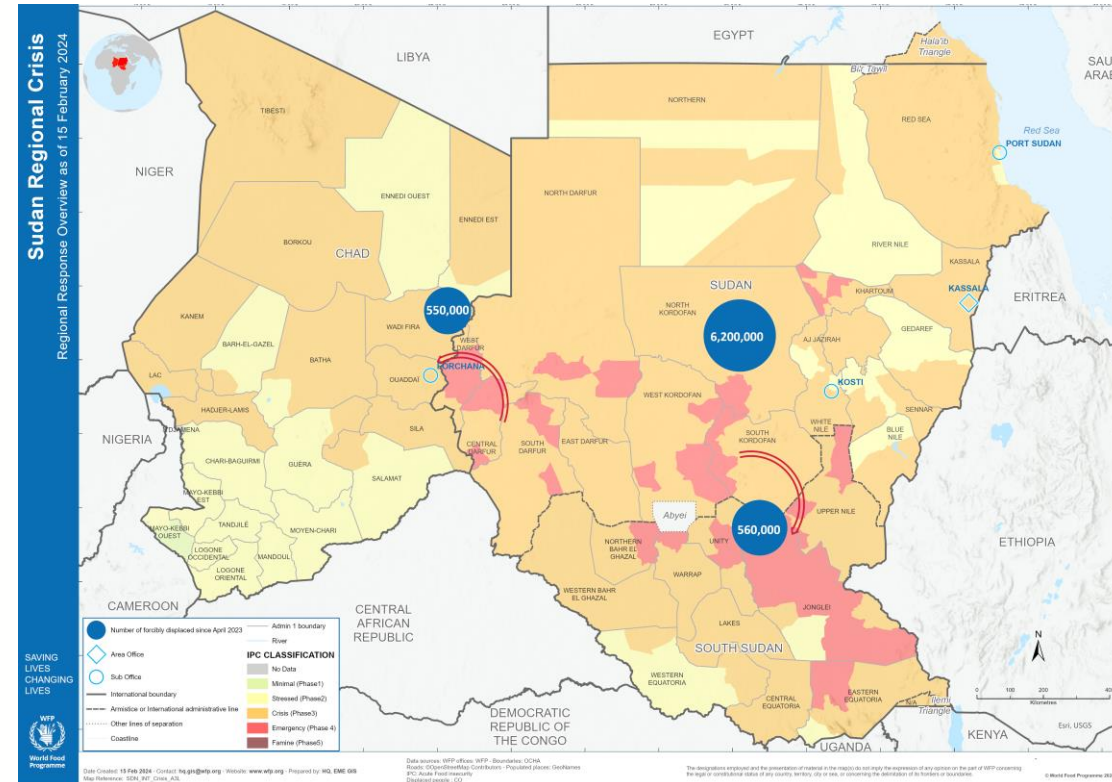
- **18 million** acutely food insecure, up from **9 million** in 2022. Lean season approaching.
- **World's largest displacement crisis.** 6 million new IDPs since April on top of 3 million pre-existing.
- Persistent challenges around **humanitarian access, bureaucratic impediments, security.**
- WFP assisted **6.9 million people** since April 2023 – but can now only reach 1 out of 10 acutely food insecure Sudanese.
- Risk of becoming **forgotten crisis** – urgent establishment of **lasting ceasefire** and **cross-border assistance** critical.



USD 144 million needed to support those most food insecure in the next 6 months (Feb 2024 - July 2024)

SUDAN REGIONAL CRISIS

- Conflict further undermines **security and stability** in an already volatile regional context.
- Nearly **1.7 million people** fled to neighbouring countries (CAR, Chad, Egypt, Ethiopia and South Sudan) with limited absorption capacity.
- **Crisis fuelled by geopolitical drivers:** Shifting relationships in the Gulf; Gaza conflict; insecurity in the Red Sea increasingly interlinked and impact the Horn.
- Sudan's economic collapse and trade disruptions will continue to lead to **commodity price spikes** affecting regional food security.
- **Regional response at scale** required to prevent spreading food insecurity and displacement.





- Nearly **16 million** in need of life-saving relief food assistance. WFP reached over **1.2 million** since resumption on 9 December 2023.
- WFP deeply concerned about deteriorating **food insecurity** in Tigray and other parts of Northern Ethiopia.
- WFP has reinforced controls through a **comprehensive Reassurance Project** addressing end-to-end processes.
- **Dire humanitarian situation** reaffirms the need for life saving assistance.



USD 142 million needed to support those most food insecure in the next 6 months (Feb 2024 - April 2024)

SOMALIA

- **4 M** people face high levels of acute food insecurity (IPC3+) between Jan–March 2024.
- **Devastating floods** now affected **2.4 million people** and displaced **1.2 million** across the country.
- Investments in **longer-term, climate smart solutions** are critical to change lives - WFP partner of choice to the Government.
- Ongoing multi-phased drawdown of the foreign military force (**ATMIS**) may lead to a rise in localized violence by Al-Shabab and other armed groups.
- Recent MoU signed between **Somaliland and Ethiopia** is fuelling regional tensions.



USD 437 million needed to support those most food insecure in the next 6 months (Feb 2024 - April 2024)

FORCED DISPLACEMENT

- Millions on the move: nearly **19M forcibly displaced regionally**, up from **16M** in January 2023.
- Displaced hosted in some of the most food insecure countries in the world. **88%** of forcibly displaced globally are in low- and middle-income countries.
- Food ration cuts of up to **70 percent** affect **all refugees** in the region (except new arrivals in some operations).
- Aiming to support **4.4 million** refugees - outstanding shortfall of **USD 360 million** the next 6 months.
- Regional leadership in **self-reliance and social protection** for protracted populations with UNHCR.



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