

Eastern Africa, Regional Overview

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SAVING LIVES CHANGING LIVES

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









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**

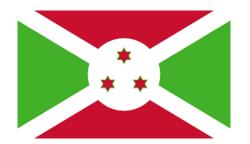


Investing in climate resilience in Kenya supporting more than 400,000 people



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





