

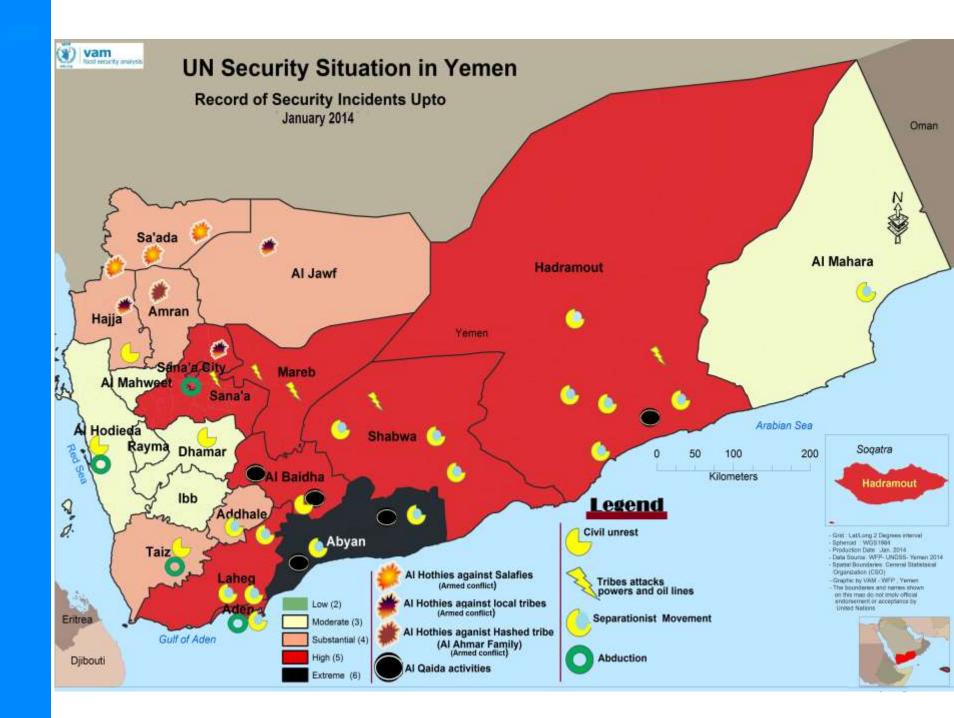


# WFP in Yemen

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### Yemen in figures

### key social indicators

Population	25 million	
Food insecure population	43%	
Acutely malnourished children under 5	13%	
Chronically malnourished children unde	er 5 47%	
Amount of household income spent on food >50%		
Illiteracy among women	51%	
Illiteracy among men	18%	
Population living on less than US\$2 per day 45%		
Amount of food imported	90%	
Households affected by high food prices	s 90%	
Unemployment	>50%	
Youth Unemployment	72%	

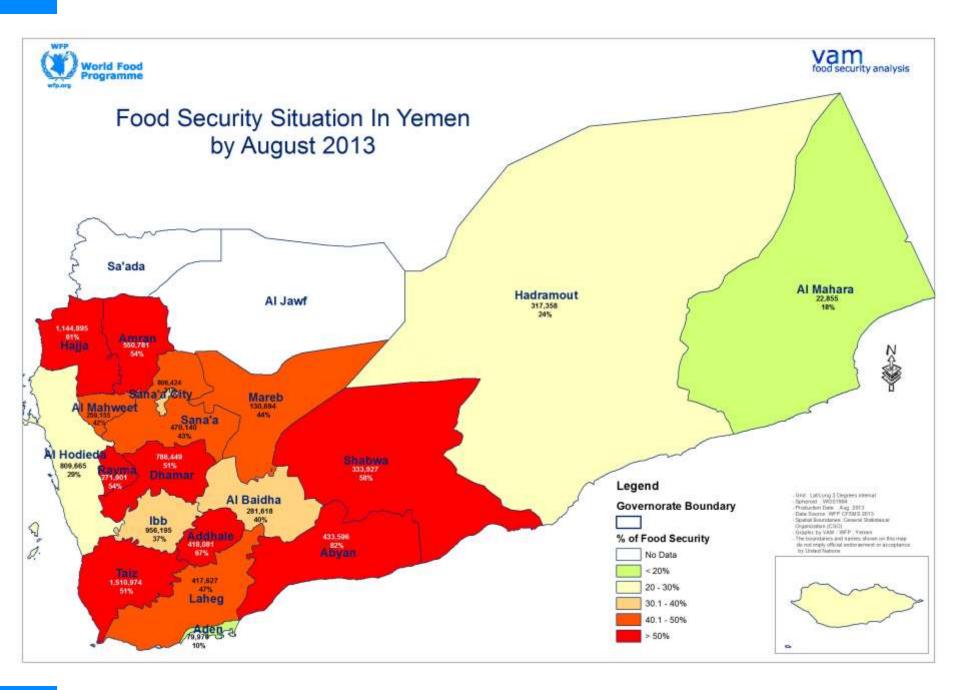


### **Food Insecurity**

### Update on CFSS (July 13)

- About 43 percent of the population in the country is still food insecure in 2013.
- Currently, 4.5 million people are severely food insecure and over 6 million are moderately food insecure.
- Food insecurity is still more widespread in rural areas (49%) than in urban areas (36%), which is an increase from 37% in rural and 17.7% in urban in 2003-2006.
- The food security and nutrition situation has improved in governorates assisted by humanitarian aid.
- Food **availability is NOT a big problem** though over **90 percent** of the staple food is **imported**.
- Food insecurity is mainly due to lack of economic access to food and absence of local production.





## **Major interventions**

During the first six months of 2014 WFP will assist around 4 million people:

643,000 IDPs and returnees;

2.8 million under ESN food and cash transfers on conditional basis;

179,000 children under two with preventative nutrition support;

133,000 children under five with nutrition treatment;

135,000 pregnant and lactating women (PLW) with nutrition support;

30,000 Yemeni returnees per month from Saudi Arabia;

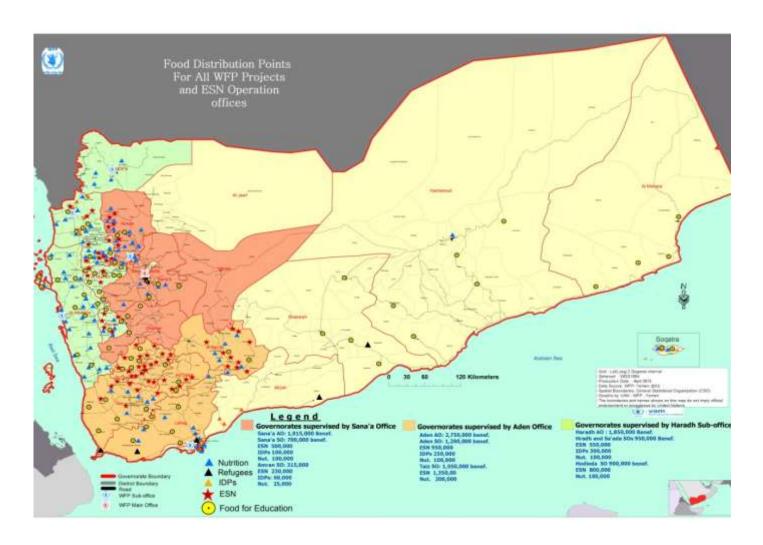
40,000 refugees, mostly Somalis, in Kharaz camp;

100,000 school girls



## WFP Yemen in 2014

211 staff Six offices 3,500 food distribution points Over 5 million beneficiaries reached in 2013 50,000 mt warehouse capacity





## **Critical Risks in Yemen**

#### Contextual Risks:

- Increasing levels of insecurity affecting accessibility to reach the most vulnerable
- Increasing direct and collateral threat to international community (including UN staff and assets)
- Challenging funding environment
- Increased shocks in food and fuel prices
- Sudden onset/recurrent natural disaster

#### **Programmatic Risks:**

- Lack of partner capacity to implement
  programme at scale and quality
- Pipeline constraints
- Lack of oversight/monitoring in insecure areas
- Rejection of food with short shelf life
- Reduced communication abilities

#### **Institutional Risks:**

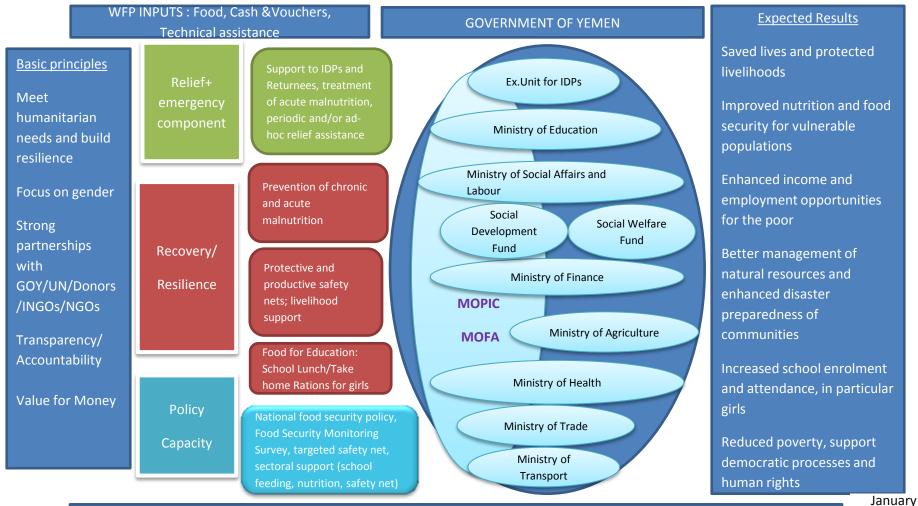
- Reputational risk in failure to fulfill project objectives
- Reduction of
  humanitarian staff

WFP CO in Yemen look into and evaluate these risks on a daily basis, alongside the comprehensive mitigation measures on the basis of a Risk Register and the Emergency Preparedness and Response Package.

#### WFP interventions in 2014-2016 Safeguarding Lives, Boosting Food Security and Nutrition, and Building Resilience

GOAL: Save lives and protect livelihoods; support or restore food security and nutrition and establish or rebuild livelihoods; reduce risk and enable people and communities to meet their own food and nutrition needs

STRATEGY: A gradual shift from relief towards recovery and resilience to help people overcome socio-economic barriers to food and nutrition security and manage the consequences of conflict and natural stresses.



Robust monitoring system to measure results and impact

## **Appraisal & Reviews**

### **Technical missions plus ED visit**

- Help design Resilience/Recovery Strategy
- Analysis of alternate modalities: Cash, Voucher, Food
- Partnership Strategy/Collaboration
- New M/E System
- Gender Analysis
- Relief/IDP / Preparedness/ Response Strategy
- Nutrition Strategy/ Alliance with UNICEF
- School Feeding Strategic Options
- Staffing Review
- ED visit

### **Upcoming missions**

- School feeding to determine food basket for school lunch
- Nutrition mission to explore local production of nutrition commodities
- Capacity Building
- Cash&Voucher



## **Objectives of WFP assistance**

#### **One: Save Lives and Protect Livelihoods in Emergencies**

Maintain an acceptable food security status among IDPs and returnees.

Ensure effective treatment of acute malnutrition among children from 6 to 59 months and PLW in areas most affected by GAM.

Maintain food security of vulnerable households temporarily affected by natural disasters or conflict.

## Two: Support or restore food security and nutrition and establish or rebuild livelihoods in fragile settings and following emergencies

Improve food security, self-reliance and income-generating opportunities among the most food insecure populations.

Contribute to reduced acute and chronic malnutrition and address micronutrient deficiencies through enhanced young child feeding, maternal nutrition and micronutrient intake among school-aged children.

Increase access to education, in particular for girls with a special focus on primary education.

Enhance national capacities and policies to address food and nutrition insecurity.

#### Three: Reduce Risk and Enable People and Communities to Meet their Own Food and Nutrition Needs

Improve livelihoods and enhance resilience of food insecure communities and households to shocks and stresses.



## **Activities**



### Support to IDPs and Returnees

Displaced before 2011 in Amran, Abyan, Hajja, Sa'adah and Sana'a governorates.

A changing monthly caseload of newly displaced, resulting from emerging localized crises

Former IDPs or returnees can be enrolled in protective, productive or livelihood activities implemented in their areas.

### Treatment of acute malnutrition

Rehabilitation of moderate acute malnutrition among children 6-59 months of age and pregnant and lactating women (PLW)

### Periodic and ad-hoc relief assistance

Communities and households requiring urgent relief assistance through joint humanitarian assessments. A contingency will be in place to support 2,000 households at any given time.



## **Activities**

### Transition to Recovery and Resilience

#### • Safety nets and strengthening livelihoods

Protective safety net: food&cash distributions to food insecure and the most vulnerable populations

Productive safety net and livelihood activities: engaging communities in income generation and asset creation

### Prevention of malnutrition

Blanket supplementary feeding for children at risk malnutrition aged 6-23 months

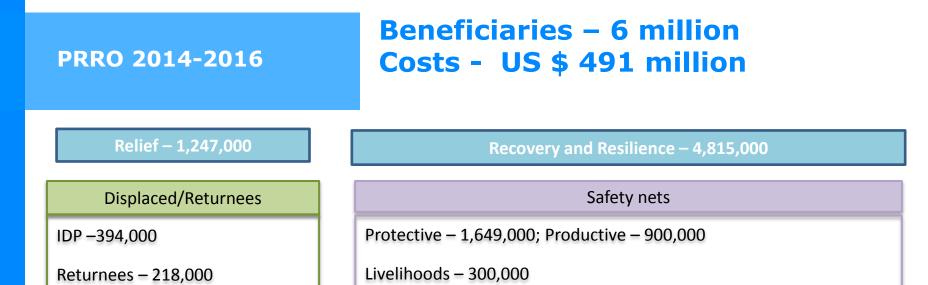
Provision of fortified nutritional supplements PLW

### • Education support

School meal for pupils in primary and secondary grades in food insecure areas

Take-home rations for girls from grade four and for children released from child labour





**Treatment of malnutrition** 

U5 – 302,000

PLW – 249,000

Periodic and ad-hoc emergency support

84,000

Prevention of Malnutrition

Clinic based U2 – 461,000

Community based U2 – 150,000

Community based PLW – 198,000

#### Support to Education

Take-home ration for girls – 215,000 Take home rations – children from child labour to school – 50,000 FP On-site meals – 892,000

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### **WFP Yemen**

### **Monitoring and Evaluation**

### **Robust Monitoring and Reporting system And Analysis**

### 1) Situation monitoring:

Monthly market watch analysis

### 2) Distribution monitoring:

Oversight of distribution of household food assistance

### 3)Post distribution monitoring:

 Twice yearly measurement of programme results through a sample survey among beneficiaries and non-beneficiaries in all programmes.

### 4) Most recent monitoring Reports:

- Mid-2013 Food security survey report is available
- End of 2012 PDM report available
- WSB Acceptability Study
- The mid-2013 PDM report is available
- ESN baseline conducted in June
- Baseline for Cash intervention conducted in August

### 5) Analysis and Reviews:

Internal and external Audits Reviews and Analysis Innovation



## **Needs and Gaps**

### Shortfall of <u>US\$25 million till June</u>: US\$10.5 million for cash transfers under safety nets and resilience and US\$14.5 million for IDPs

### Shortfall of US\$133 million from July till December

Activity under PRRO	2014 Jul-Dec	2015 Jan-Dec
IDPs and Returnees	US\$40 mln	US\$32 mln
Treatment of malnutrition	US\$6 mln	US\$13 mln
Emergency Support	US\$2 mln	US\$3 mln
Livelihood support and safety nets (productive&protective)	US\$65 mln	US\$100mln
Prevention of Malnutrition	US\$7 mln	US\$30 mln
Support to Education (school lunch, girls' education, released from child labour)	US\$13 mln	US\$37 mln
TOTAL:	US\$133 mln	US\$215 mln



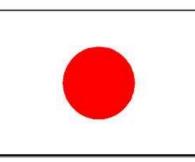
- ✓ Close cooperation and extensive consultations with the Government and donors in designing WFP's programmes to ensure a sense of national ownership
- ✓ Complementarity between WFP's and national policies and strategies
- ✓ Capacity building of Government institutions and local actors through their active engagement in the implementation of activities
- ✓ Introducing activities that promote self- dependence among the population: enable people to help themselves
- ✓ Government's commitment to contribute to the activities: around 10-15 percent of the requirements for school feeding
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This will be a slow start, given the magnitude of challenges Yemen faces



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