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# Eastern Africa Regional Overview

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# Food Security Overview



**20 percent** of the population facing **acute hunger** globally is in eastern Africa



**51.4 million people** are estimated to be food insecure



**Ethiopia, Sudan and South Sudan** have highest level of **acute food insecurity**



**Primary drivers of food insecurity:** conflict, insecurity and climate-induced shocks





In 2020, WFP reached an estimated 26 million people with food assistance

13 million people received **in-kind food** assistance

5.3 million people received **cash-based transfers**

4.4 million children and women received **specialized nutritious food**

2.6 million girls and boys received **school meals** and **take-home rations**

2.1 million people participated in **asset creation activities**

422,000 people participated in **climate adaptation activities**

# COVID-19 and Building Back Better



Significant impact on the **urban poor**, particularly in **informal settlements**



**Building back better** from COVID-19



**Expansion into urban areas**



Strengthening **social protection systems** through **technical advice** and **operational support**



# Conflict, Peace and the Nobel Peace Prize



Over **70 percent** of operations in eastern Africa driven by **conflict and insecurity**



Food assistance critical to supporting **peace and stability**



Strengthening ties between **humanitarian, development and peacebuilding** work



Expansion of **Food Assistance for Assets** programming in **South Sudan**



# Refugee Response



Eastern Africa hosts **4.4 million refugees** and **8.1 million IDPs**



Ration cuts in **Kenya, Uganda, South Sudan, Djibouti, Ethiopia and soon Rwanda**

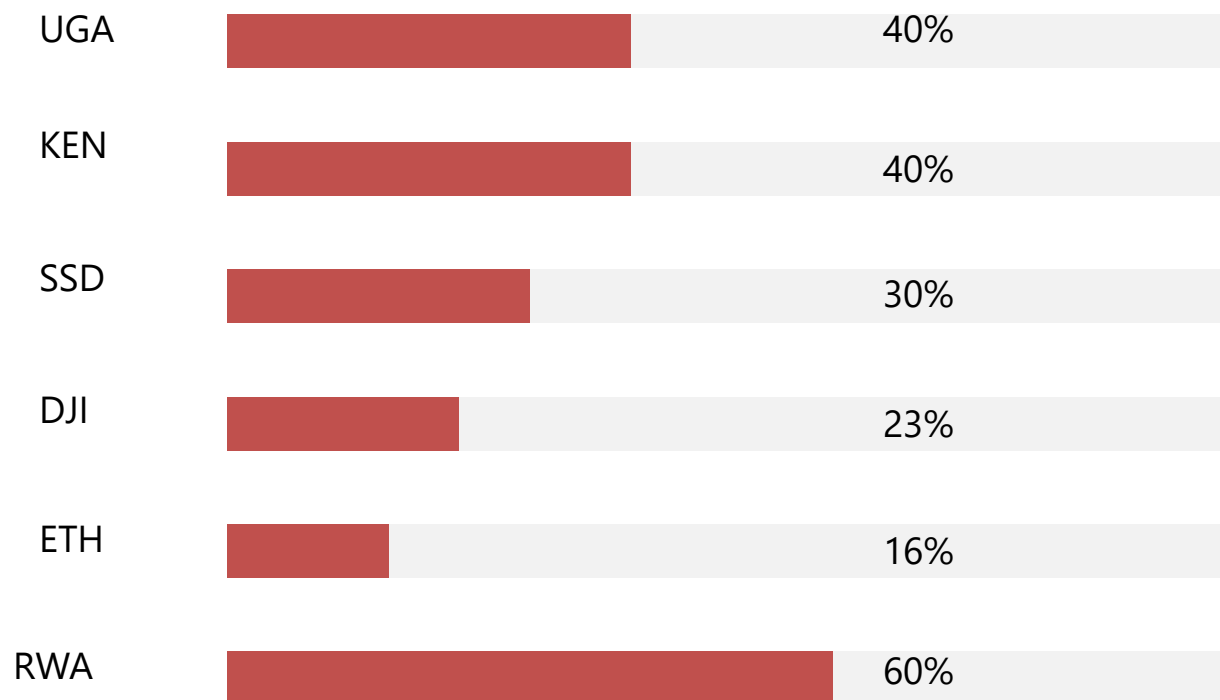


**Additional support** is needed for host governments



Enhanced collaboration with **IOM** and **UNHCR**

## Ration reductions



# Update on the Tigray crisis



Severe **food security and nutrition emergency**



Estimated **2.98 million people** in need of relief food assistance



**Immediate scale-up** of the humanitarian response required



Urgent appeal for **USD 107 million**



Activity

1

Relief food assistance

Activity

2

Nutrition Blanket  
Supplementary Feeding

Activity

3

Common logistics  
services

# Innovation



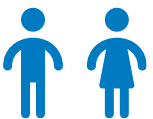
Innovation is crucial to **disrupting hunger**



WFP's first **regional innovation hub** launched in December



**E-shop** in **Somalia** helps minimize exposure to **COVID-19**



Promoting **youth empowerment** and **employment** through the **Hult Prize**





# Partnerships



# Funding



2020 was a record year with **USD 2.1 billion** received from donors



Funding from **International Financial Institutions (IFIs)** and the **private sector doubled** in 2020



Annual funding needs for 2021 total **USD 3.7 billion**



**USD 1.1 billion** is required from March to August 2021





**THANK YOU**