



**World Food
Programme**

AFGHANISTAN



Facts and Figures

Protracted Relief and Recovery Operation (PRRO)

Operation From 2006 to 2009
Target Beneficiary 14.7 million
Food to be distributed 1 million MT
Total cost of operation US\$ 847 million

Plan 2009

Target Beneficiary 8.8 million
Food to be distributed 317,000 MT

United Nations Humanitarian Air Services (UNHAS)

Operation From 2006 to 2009
Total cost of operation US\$ 67.4 million
Shortfalls to be resourced US\$ 3.3 million
Total passengers in August 2,600



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MONTHLY SITUATION REPORT

August 2009

Achievements

- Through food for work activities a total of 9,000 km irrigation canals and 1,000 water channels (karazes) have been restored, 2.3 million trees planted and 6,700 km feeder roads rehabilitated in the first six months of 2009.
- 47,650** TB patients have received WFP food assistance from January to June 2009, contributing to their improved nutrition and a reduction in TB prevalence.
- 751,700** children received WFP food in schools, including an added incentive to girls students.
- In August, WFP provided food assistance to approximately **173,000** people through general food distributions. These included emergency food to the victims of natural disasters, internally displaced persons and those living in urban areas affected by high food prices.

- WFP has begun the implementation of a pilot Cash Voucher programme in Kabul. Under this programme WFP plans to target 10,000 vulnerable families (about 60,000 individuals) in Kabul City.



- Over 600 flood affected families have received WFP emergency food assistance in Behsud, Surkh Rud, Rodat and Chaparhar districts of Nangarhar province.

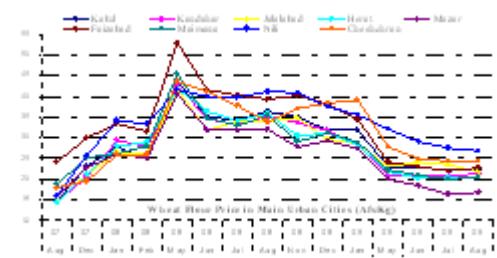


Winter Pre-positioning

- WFP has begin pre-positioning of nearly 33,000 tons of food for its normal activities to ensure a continued food supply to vulnerable communities in remote areas which become inaccessible during the harsh winter. Thus far 11,000 tons (34%) of the total planned food has been dispatched.

Food Security

- The average price of Wheat Flour in the main urban markets in August 2009 stands at US\$ 0.44/kg. Compared to a year ago (August 2008), the average wheat flour prices have decreased by about 39 percent. However, still 30 percent high compared August 2007.



Key Challenges

- Access to many districts in the south, east and central region remain extremely difficult for WFP staff. Consequently, WFP has outsourced its food distribution, monitoring and assessment activities to NGOs and private companies. Furthermore, in the south and south western regions, commercial truck convoys escorted by Afghan National Police deliver WFP food.

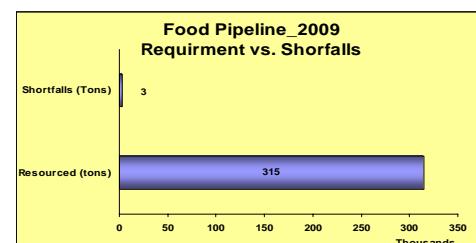


Food Pipeline Outlook

Expected food pipeline break
♦ High Energy Biscuits: Oct 09

Total expected arrivals for the coming 6 months is 149,000 tons.

Resourcing Situation



Contributions confirmed in Aug:

- Japan: US\$ 5.88 million
- Total estimated food shortfalls until the end of the year is 2,800 tons, valued at US\$ 5 million.



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Background

Since January 2006 WFP has been implementing a four-year operation that aims to assist the country in the health, education and environment sectors. In addition, this operation aims to foster livelihood activities, mainly in remote and food insecure areas.

Some of the key achievements include:

- ◆ Assistance to 1.9 million people affected by the major drought in 2007.
- ◆ On-going assistance to 5 million people affected by high food prices and drought in 2008.

We support

Emergency

- ◆ People affected by drought and global high food prices
- ◆ Internally displaced persons (IDPs) and victims of natural disasters

Climate change adaptation activities

- ◆ Rehabilitation of community assets such as roads, irrigation canals and reservoirs
- ◆ Restoration of heavily degraded local environment

Education

- ◆ The increased enrolment and attendance of children in primary schools
- ◆ Literacy education, especially for women
- ◆ Skills training for teachers

Health

- ◆ Malnourished pregnant and lactating women
- ◆ Malnourished children under five
- ◆ Combat tuberculosis and anemia
- ◆ Flour fortification activities
- ◆ De-worming campaign

Government of Afghanistan

- ◆ Strengthen the capacity of government and cooperating partners through training initiatives and the provision of non food items

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Food distribution by province

Month: August 2009

Province	GFD		FFW/A		EDUCATION		HEALTH		Total Benef.	Total MT
	# Benef.	MT	# Benef.	MT	# Benef.	MT	# Benef.	MT		
Badakhshan			5,472	161	41,209	1,783	1,098	56	47,779	2,000
Badghis	17,550	176	96,258	1,059	66,555	278			180,363	1,513
Baghlan										
Balkh	8,747	468	35,317	354			8,769	92	52,833	914
Bamyan	12,438	196	58,152	584	128,380	486			198,970	1,266
Daykundi					28,140	73			28,140	73
Farah	144	3							144	3
Faryab			91,671	920					91,671	920
Ghazni										
Ghor	3,888	116	42,228	1,138	87,028	3,886			133,144	5,140
Hilmand	18,000	233			55,150	1,150			73,150	1,384
Hirat	9,300	282	47,298	1,424	70,557	716	2,778	31	129,933	2,453
Jawzjan	722	72	18,540	186					19,262	258
Kabul	50,233	425	588	6			3,432	36	54,253	466
Kandahar	35,280	617	6,528	196	80,964	865	4,200	61	126,972	1,740
Kapisa			47,982	481					47,982	481
Khost							9,600	94	9,600	94
Kunarha	1,536	17	14,328	144	31,441	139	3,002	26	50,307	326
Kunduz			41,860	420					41,860	420
Laghman	5,088	70	16,386	164	49,687	131	2,291	49	73,452	414
Logar					8,640	90			8,640	90
Nangarhar	6,102	61	17,021	171	30,069	88	11,676	106	64,868	427
Nimroz	1,878	37	10,224	203	12,949	295	810	37	25,861	572
Nuristan	2,087	66	18,259	183	28,785	372			49,131	621
Paktika					5,100	53			5,100	53
Paktya			24,456	245					24,456	245
Panjsher			1,656	28					1,656	28
Parwan			113,028	1,109					113,028	1,109
Samangan			10,980	110					10,980	110
Sari Pul			64,720	649					64,720	649
Takhar			2,172	41	1,400	10			3,572	52
Uruzgan										
Wardak			7,098	71	11,630	51			18,728	122
Zabul					14,034	84			14,034	84
Grand Total	172,993	2,840	792,223	10,048	751,718	10,550	47,656	588	1,764,590	24,026

Notes: * Figures are preliminary and based on WFP food distribution to communities. All figures to be finalized in the annual Standard Project Report (SPR).

* General Food Distribution (GFD) includes a variety of emergency response activities targeting people affected by natural disaster, displaced by conflict and those affected by high food prices in urban areas.

* FFW/A includes all food for work / assets activities under both relief and recovery.

* Education includes all school based activities and adult learning activities such as functional literacy and food for training.

* Health includes TB and Mother & Child Health and Nutrition (MCH/N) activities.

* For 'activities' where the number of recipients are recorded for household rations, an average household size of 6 is used to determine the beneficiary numbers.

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