



# Palestine

## Annual Country Report 2021 Highlights

SAVING LIVES  
CHANGING LIVES




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 **478,400**

Total beneficiaries in 2021

 **50%**  
male

 **50%**  
female

 **20,800**

Estimated number of  
persons with disabilities

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contributions, WFP needs were  
sufficiently resourced.



### Overview

WFP succeeded in sustaining its significant food assistance in response to the protracted protection and humanitarian crisis in Palestine, scaling up and diversifying its support in emergency response.

WFP implemented an immediate scale-up in response to the May conflict escalations in Gaza, providing ready-to-eat foods and scaled-up cash-based transfer support and provided around 24,000 people with a three-month emergency multi-purpose cash assistance.

WFP sustained its resilience-building and strengthening interventions, supporting smallholder farmers. 87 percent of the targeted farmers' production was sold in the local market or to the local communities, with an average income of USD 800 per beneficiary.

WFP continued to support national ministries, non-governmental organizations and United Nations agencies to strengthen national policies and social protection activities.

WFP is working with the Ministry of Social Development, ILO and UNICEF on a joint programme aiming at establishing a universal and holistic social protection floor for persons with disabilities and older persons.

WFP launched the social behaviour change communication programme, focusing on healthy eating habits to support the reduction of anaemia amongst pregnant and lactating women or women with children aged 24-59 months.

WFP's National Logistics Sector developed a multisectoral digital data collection platform to increase the efficiency and to identify logistics gaps for a harmonized response in importing humanitarian goods into Gaza.

WFP's platform for the provision of cash-based assistance, which supports using a single card providing different types of assistance, expanded significantly in 2021. The platform reached 743,700 people in need, channeling USD 44 million of cross-sectoral assistance, including COVID-19 support and post-conflict response to the May 2021 hostilities in Gaza.

**\$116M**

Needs Based Plan

**\$104M**

Expenditure



**\$56.4M**  
Total actual assistance  
(CBT and in-kind  
modalities)



**10.6K mt**  
Total Actual Food  
Transferred



**\$44M**  
Total Cash Transferred  
via WFP's CBT Platform  
as Service Provision

### Beneficiaries by Programme Areas

Unconditional Resources Transfer



Planned  
435,200

Actual  
478,400

### Beneficiaries by Residence Status

■ Planned ■ Actual



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## WFP vouchers can make a difference in Gaza

Tamer and his wife Isra, living in Gaza, have four girls and three boys. "The voucher helps us feed our children and covers our most essential food requirements," Tamer tells WFP. "It gives us room to spend the small amount of money we make on health and shelter. Without the assistance, life would have been impossible, because it is not easy to choose whether to use the money we earn for food or to get milk for our toddler. Our little one is a priority since her health is not the best."



### Cross-Cutting

#### Women empowerment:

WFP graduated from The Gender Transformation Programme (GTP) in December 2021.



50% of families targeted for resilience activities are headed by women.

Women with special needs were trained on food production to develop their capacity and support their employment status.

600 women were reached through the social behaviour change communication (SBCC) activity, to strengthen motivation and awareness to improve their health and nutrition status.

#### Accountability to affected populations:

90,000 calls on WFP's hotline for WFP beneficiaries and non-beneficiaries alike.



During the May escalation of hostilities in Gaza, WFP's hotline was the most reliable operational beneficiary telephone hotline in the humanitarian community throughout the 11 days of the emergency, leading to an official request from the Humanitarian Coordinator for WFP to establish an Interagency Common Feedback Mechanism for the entire humanitarian community.

#### Environment:

WFP started a climate-resilient agricultural assets initiative to help beneficiaries curb food insecurity and improve their livelihoods. The assets include hydroponic food and green fodder production, wicking beds, home gardens, floating beds and greenhouses.



### Strategic Outcome 01 Crisis Responses



Over **390,000** people were reached through monthly cash-based transfer assistance



Over **88,360** people were reached through monthly food distribution



**24,000** people were reached through monthly multipurpose-cash assistance



Over **51,000** new people reached with emergency food assistance in response to the emergency in Gaza during May



Over **600** people received tailored nutrition-sensitive Social Behaviour Change and Communication messaging/support

### Strategic Outcome 02 Enhanced National Capacity



WFP, in collaboration with partners, provided financial and technical support to conduct the national expenditure and consumption survey



WFP, UNICEF and ILO strengthened the social registry's database for better identification of social protection needs



Over **600** families were assisted with climate resilient agricultural assets



**30** national staff from the Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics and **15** from the Ministry of Social Development trained.

### Strategic Outcome 03 Service Provision



**9** humanitarian actors channeled **USD 44M** via WFP's CBT platform for food and non-food assistance



**100%** user satisfaction rate with WFP's CBT platform, confirming timely and efficient assistance