



Food Security Dashboard

Quarter 2

Uganda Refugee Response Plan (RRP) 2022 - 2023

January - June 2023

Overview

The food security sector continues to contribute to Strategic Development Goal 2.1 by improving access to nutritious food among refugees and asylum seekers in the thirteen refugee settlements in Uganda. Furthermore, the sector promotes the self-reliance of refugee communities through complimentary activities.

Despite the progressive and favourable refugee policy, most asylum seekers and refugees have limited livelihood opportunities. This has resulted in socio-economic vulnerabilities, protection risks, and limited access to basic essential services such as food, education, and health care and yet funding for the refugee response remains a persistent and growing challenge.

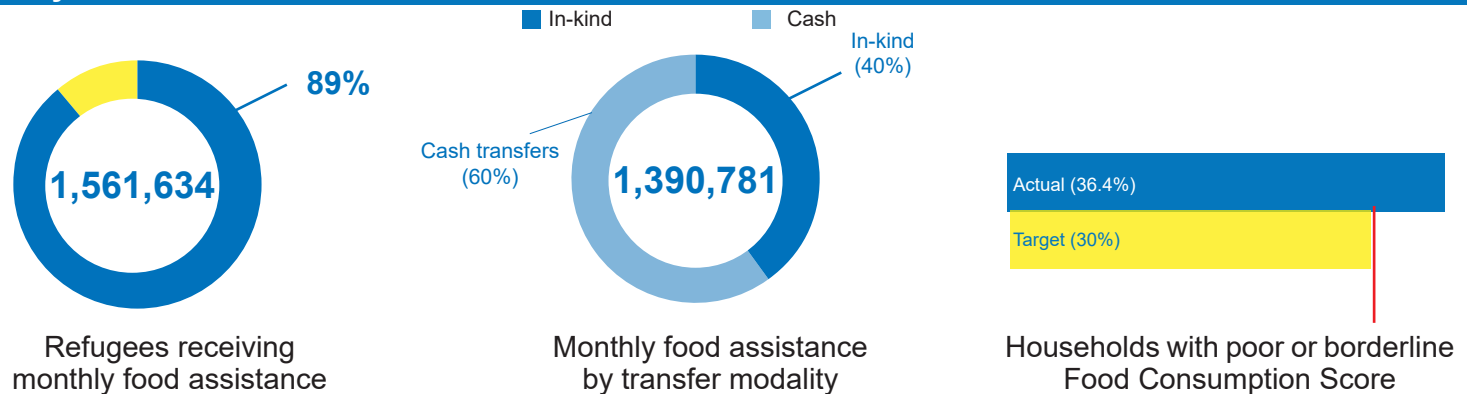
The above challenges notwithstanding, in Quarter 2, WFP and partners reached 1.39 million beneficiaries through the provision of in-kind food as well as cash-based transfers. There was a five (5) percent overall increase in cash beneficiaries in Quarter 2, compared to Quarter 1. The increment is attributed to continuous enrolment of beneficiaries from food to cash. Additionally, the further reduction in in-kind rations in most refugee settlements due to limitations in funding increased cash enrolments since beneficiaries preferred cash to the reduced rations.

Digital cash transfer mechanisms through agent banking continued to be scaled up, and cash beneficiaries owning bank accounts increased from 36 percent to 41 percent out of the overall total cash beneficiaries by the end of the quarter. In order to increase access to digital payment instruments, Mobile money will start in Kyangwali and Kiryandogo settlements. In addition to increasing access to digital payment instruments through agency banking, cash beneficiaries received financial literacy skills. A total of 2,954 beneficiaries were trained during the reporting period across all 13 settlements.

Efforts to mitigate malnutrition continue to be strengthened through building capacity of health workers, Village Health Teams (VHTs) and other community structures in providing Infant and Young Child Feeding (IYCF) knowledge to promote better household nutrition. Similarly, active case findings have supported in managing the nutrition situation in the settlements. Currently, the recovery rate remains above the threshold with an average of 93 percent discharged as cured from the programme within the reporting period.

In preparation for the rollout of the food prioritization exercise in July, joint sensitization campaigns have been ongoing across the settlements. Refugees were informed in May of the estimated rations to be allocated to each prioritization category. Through the Feedback, Referral, and Resolution Mechanism (FRRM) helpline, a total of 10,701 new individual queries were registered during the month of June, which was a 98% increase from May. This sharp spike in calls is attributed to most callers seeking to know their new food categories.

Key indicators



Outcome: Refugees and asylum seekers have improved access to adequate nutritious food

Indicator Actual Target/Standard ('23) Actual against annual target or standard

Refugees receiving in-kind food assistance

Refugee Group	Actual	Target/Standard ('23)	Performance
- Congolese refugees	66,557	490,997	14% of the targeted refugee pop.
- South Sudanese refugees	479,751	908,917	53% of the targeted refugee pop.
- Other refugees	4,352	77,679	6% of the targeted refugee pop.

Refugees receiving food assistance through cash transfers

Refugee Group	Actual	Target/Standard ('23)	Performance
- Congolese and other refugees	365,388	490,997	74% of the targeted refugee pop.
- South Sudanese refugees	315,960	908,917	35% of the targeted refugee pop.
- Other refugees	158,773	77,679	>100% of the targeted refugee pop.

Achievements data: ActivityInfo (reported by sector lead)

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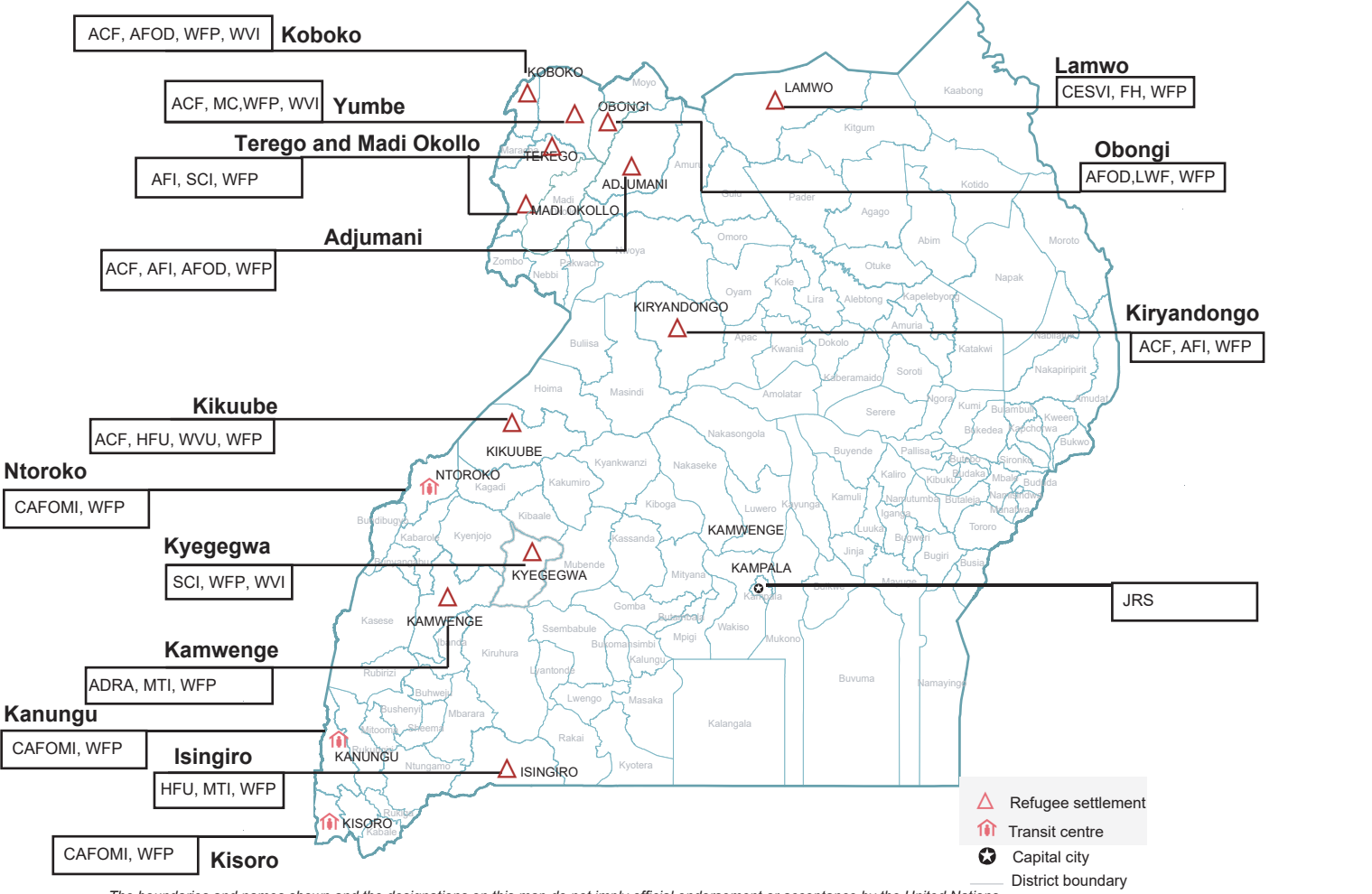
Indicator	Actual	Target/Standard ('23)	Actual	against annual target	or standard
Men, women, boy and girls trained on financial literacy					
- Congolese refugees	34,061	1,878	>100%		
- South Sudanese refugees	28,052	84,952	33%		
- Other Refugees	1,970	807	>100%		

Outcome: Reduced Prevalence of Acute and Chronic Malnutrition among Refugees and asylum seekers in Uganda

Indicator	Actual	Target/Standard ('23)	Actual	against annual target	or standard
Moderate Acute Malnutrition Treatment Recovery Rate					
- Congolese refugees	96%	75%			
- South Sudanese refugees	91%	75%			
- Other refugees	91%	75%			



Operational presence



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