



# Insecurity in the Lake Chad Basin — Regional Impact

## Situation Report #17

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### In Numbers <sup>1</sup>

**6.3 million** people severely food insecure in areas affected by Boko Haram

**4** countries affected

**2.6 million** people displaced, with 1.9 million IDPs in Nigeria alone

**9.2 million** people in need of assistance

<sup>1</sup> Lake Chad Basin Emergency 2016 Revised requirements and responses priorities, Sept-Dec 2016

### Highlights

- WFP is scaling up its assistance to provide life-saving assistance to more than 1.6 million people in desperate need in the Lake Chad Basin.
- WFP provided food and nutrition support to more than 600,000 people in Nigeria, Niger, Cameroon and Chad.
- WFP completed food distributions to the targeted 56,000 Nigerian refugees in Minawao camp, Cameroon.

### Situation Update

- In **Nigeria**, the security situation remains of major concern and attempts to scale up operations require a compartmentalized approach to enabling operations. Field operations priorities are to find feasible means to safely deliver life-saving assistance in a complex threat context.
- Boko Haram continue suicide bombings and attacks in **Cameroon**, along the border, with frequently reported abductions of citizens in Mayo Sava district. The deteriorating security situation resulted in increased population displacements to Mémé, Djounde and Mora. A large number of displaced persons are located in Kolofata, where WFP was unable to open a distribution site in the area despite several attempts, due to the frequency of attacks.
- Despite strengthened security measures along the border between Chad and Niger, Boko Haram insurgents continue incursions into **Chad** territory. 8,000 newly displaced people and 800 refugees are likely to be left without assistance. Chad is currently hosting approximately 6, 500

Nigerian refugees in the Dar-es-Salam camp and over 120,000 Internally Displaced People (IDPs) settled in 45 sites. Among them, around 45,000 people arrived in the north of Baga Sola, Liwa and Daboua and are in urgent need of life-saving food assistance.

- In August, several attacks were led by Boko Haram in Diffa, **Niger**. On 22 August, a total of 21,244 refugees were in both Sayam Forage and Kablewa camps. These figures exceed the 15,000 refugees planned for August.
- Insecurity, displacement, disrupted agricultural activities and cross-border trade continue to undermine communities' livelihoods and have resulted in a sharp rise in food insecurity. In the areas affected by Boko Haram violence, more than 6.3 million people face hunger. In Borno, Yobe and Adamawa, northeastern Nigeria, 4.4 million people are food insecure. In areas affected by violence in neighboring countries, there are 1.4 million food insecure people in Cameroon, 399,000 in Niger and 133,000 in Chad.

### WFP Response

- Across the Lake Chad Basin, the UN estimates that over 9 million people need humanitarian assistance.
- WFP is scaling up its assistance to provide life-saving food assistance or cash-based assistance to more than 1.6 million people in desperate need in the Lake Chad Basin. 724,000 people are targeted in Nigeria, 320,800 in Cameroon, 201,500 in Chad and 358,900 in Niger.
- In Cameroon, WFP is scaling up food assistance to an additional 20,000 newly identified IDPs while expanding cash-based programmes to 8,000 IDPs, previously targeted through in-kind food assistance. WFP and ICRC agreed on a common strategy to assist newly arrived IDPs in Meme and Djounde, Cameroon. WFP plans to cover food assistance for 3,200 newly arrived IDPs in

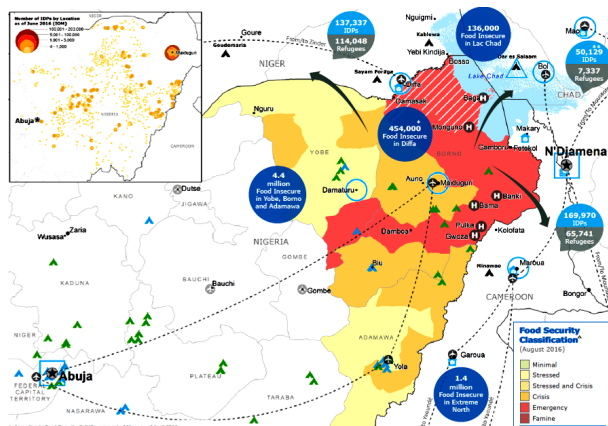


Photo: Banki food distribution and storage. August 2016 WFP/Staff

Djounde while ICRC is expected to assist those who arrived in Meme.



## Food and Nutrition Assistance

- In August, WFP provided food and nutrition support to more than 400,000 people in Niger, Cameroon and Chad, and to more than 200,000 in Nigeria.
- WFP provided nutrition support to more than 53,360 children under five who are at risk of malnutrition in Nigeria. In Borno and Yobe State, 174,000 people out of the 724,000 in need of food assistance targeted by WFP are children aged 6 to 59 months.
- On 12 August WFP started food distributions to 25,000 IDPs in Banki, Nigeria. The food was delivered from Cameroon through a cross-border operation. The same day, WFP started the first delivery of mixed commodities to the camps formerly catered for by ICRC (for a total estimated 44,500 IDPs in the two camps).
- In Cameroon, WFP completed food distributions for August in all sites except Logone Birni to which road access was cut off due to heavy rains. Distributions to the site are expected to be covered in September. Distributions in Minawao camp were carried out as planned and targeted 56,000 Nigerian refugees.
- In Niger, food distributions were at 96% completion. WFP provided food assistance to 179,304 people in need of food assistance in Geskerou, Chetimari, Bosso Kablewa, Bosso and Toumour communes.
- WFP in Chad provided food and nutrition support

to 106,694 people in need of food assistance. Besides, WFP and its partners in Chad provided a monthly ration to over 90,000 people in 47 displacement sites in the Lac region and Dar-es-Salam refugee camp.



## Cash-Based Transfers (CBT)

- To date, WFP provided assistance via mobile-phone cash-based assistance to 86,800 people in Borno and Yobe States. Jointly with UNICEF, WFP is implementing an integrated nutrition programme for the treatment of children with SAM, in Nigeria. Under this programme, WFP is targeting 5,700 HHs with SAM cases in Maiduguri Outer Rim to receive food assistance through a cash-based transfer. Since May 1,090 households with SAM children received cash assistance.
- In Mora, Mokolo and Kousseri, Cameroon, CBT activities targeted some 16,000 IDPs. In Chad, WFP continues its CBT programme in five sites around Bol, targeting 10,200 people. In Niger, WFP distributed cash to 20,000 beneficiaries in Maine Soroa.

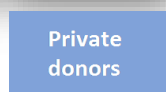


## School Feeding

- In Mid-August, WFP participated in a meeting on emergency school feeding in Niger to discuss the 2016-2017 school year for a total of 110 emergency schools that are expected to be operational for 29,700 students. A 'back to school' campaign is planned for September throughout the region to ensure the return of children to school in areas affected by insecurity.

## WFP Operations

	Total Requirements (in USD)	Total Received (in USD)	6 Months Net Funding Requirements (in USD)	People Reached (current distribution cycle)
<b>Regional EMOP 200777</b> <b>01-01-2015</b> <b>31-12-2016</b>	152.2 million	201.6 million (36%)	67.2 million	635,549
<b>SO 200834 UNHAS</b> <b>Nigeria 01-05-2015 to 30-06-2017</b>	19 million	9 million (47%)	-	-



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