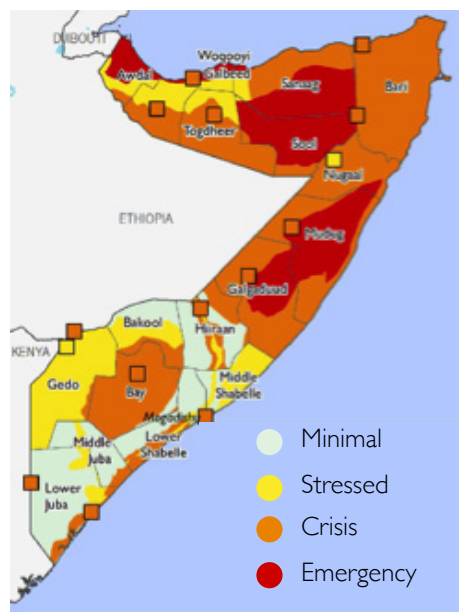


Key messages

- Humanitarian situation:** The drought in Somalia persists with an estimated 5.4 million people in need of humanitarian assistance and protection. Regions such as Awdal, Bari, Sanaag, Nugal, Sool and Woqooyi Galbeed have experienced four consecutive seasons of failed rains resulting in water shortages, loss of livestock and crop failure leading to widespread acute food insecurity.
- Malnutrition status:** Despite a slight improvement in the general nutritional status in Somalia, internally displaced persons (IDPs) and pastoralist communities in the northeast and northwest regions of Somalia recorded critical levels of Global Acute Malnutrition of 15 percent or higher and require urgent nutrition support.
- Access to water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH) and health remains a challenge:** An increase in cases of Acute Watery Diarrhea (AWD)/ Cholera has been reported since January 2018 with 1,477 cases and nine deaths being recorded so far. The upsurge in cholera is attributed to scarcity of fresh water.
- Displacements by drought:** While 2 million people have been displaced in Somalia since January 2017 a significant reduction in the monthly average of new displacement has been recorded since July 2017. However, forced evictions, particularly among urban IDPs and armed hostilities, continue to undermine efforts towards recovery. Mogadishu and Baidoa continue to host the highest number of IDPs.
- World Vision continues to respond:** Since the beginning of 2018 World Vision's programme supported 332,954 adults and 163,045 children through our food security, health, nutrition, water and hygiene, education and Gift-in-kind interventions.

Food insecurity

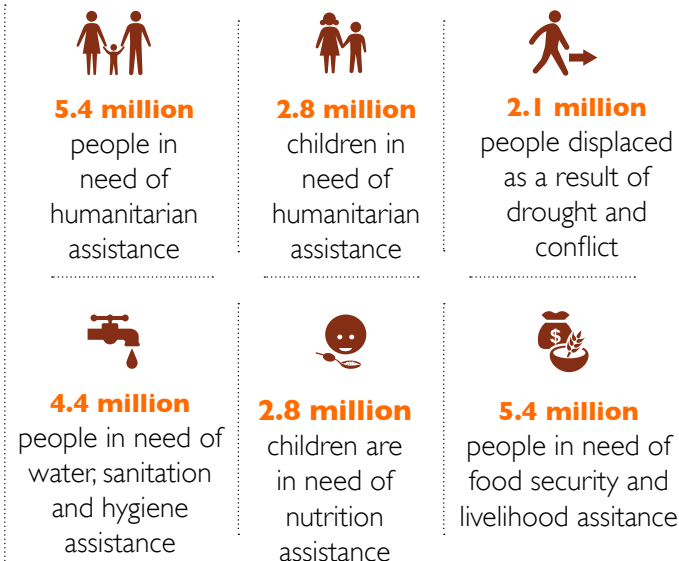


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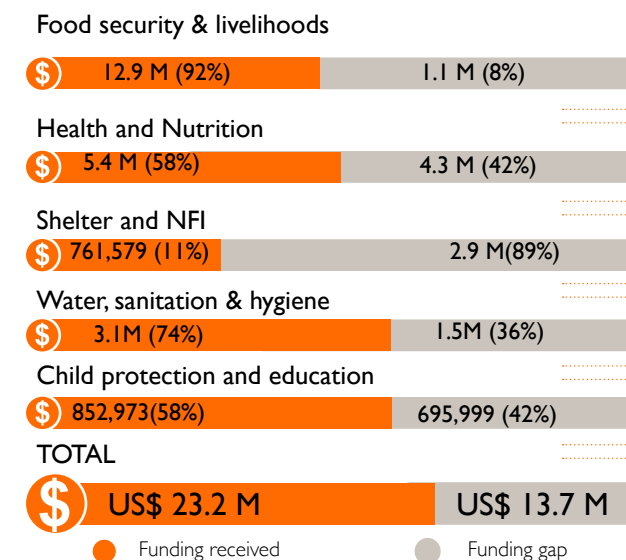
Gaps and needs

- Funding for most of the nutrition and food assistance projects have ended. This leaves the programme with huge funding gaps to sustain the current beneficiaries. Areas with high food insecurity with potential to deteriorate to Famine phase (IPC 5) include: Guban, Zylac, Lughaya, Ceerigaabo, Xudun, Talex, Jariban and Galcayko. These areas may require scaling up of cash and food assistance.
- Water stress and the re-emergence of AWD/ Cholera calls for urgent water, hygiene and sanitation interventions in all the four states where World Vision has an active presence.
- There is an observed migration of people from the Bakool area towards Baidoa. This puts more pressure on limited resources at IDP settlements.

Humanitarian needs



Funding needs (Continued from 2017)



*All financial figures in US\$

Response highlights



WATER, SANITATION & HYGIENE

- 49,791 people (25,355 men and 24,436 women) were supplied with clean water through water trucking, hygiene and sanitation kits and hygiene promotion sessions in South West State, Puntland and Somaliland.



FOOD ASSISTANCE

- Food distribution and cash based programming:** 214,327 people received cash and food assistance during the month, of these 138,238 (47,405 male and 90,833 female) were adults and 76,089 (36,318 male and 39,711 female) were children.



HEALTH

- Through the 73 health centres and 25 mobile clinics supported by World Vision, 30,310 people received various health services including: out-patience, antenatal, immunization and health education. These included 16,546 children under the age of 5.



PROTECTION

- 30 members of the community from Burtinle in Puntland participated in the child protection training conducted by World Vision Somalia.



FOOD SECURITY AND LIVELIHOODS

- Food security & Livelihoods:** 214,327 people received cash and food assistance during the month, of these 138,238 (47,405 male and 90,833 female) were adults and 76,089 (36,318 male and 39,711 female) were children.



EDUCATION

- 2,936 children (1,581 male and 1,355 female) were fed in school through the supplementary school feeding programme supported by World Vision Somalia.
- 55 teachers in South West and Puntland states received 80 USD as incentives to continue teaching despite many schools closing due to drought.



NUTRITION

- 34,093 children were screened and 1,2017 treated for Severe Acute Malnutrition and 6,401 for Moderate Acute Malnutrition. In addition, 8,929 adults were also screened and those malnourished treated through the health centres, mobile clinics and stabilisation centres supported by World Vision Somalia.



100,517

children reached with life-saving humanitarian assistance in March 2018



163,045

Children reached since January 2018

Response achievements

Reporting period March 01-March 31, 2018



138,238
people reached with food security and livelihoods



76,089
children reached with food security and livelihoods



39,239
people reached with health and nutrition services



50,639
children reached with health and nutrition services



113
people reached with education and protection services



2,936
children reached with education



37,636
people reached with clean water and sanitation



12,155
children reached with clean water and sanitation



6,030
people reached with Shelter and NFI



6,000
children reached with Shelter and NFI



150,517
people reached with life-saving humanitarian assistance in March 2018



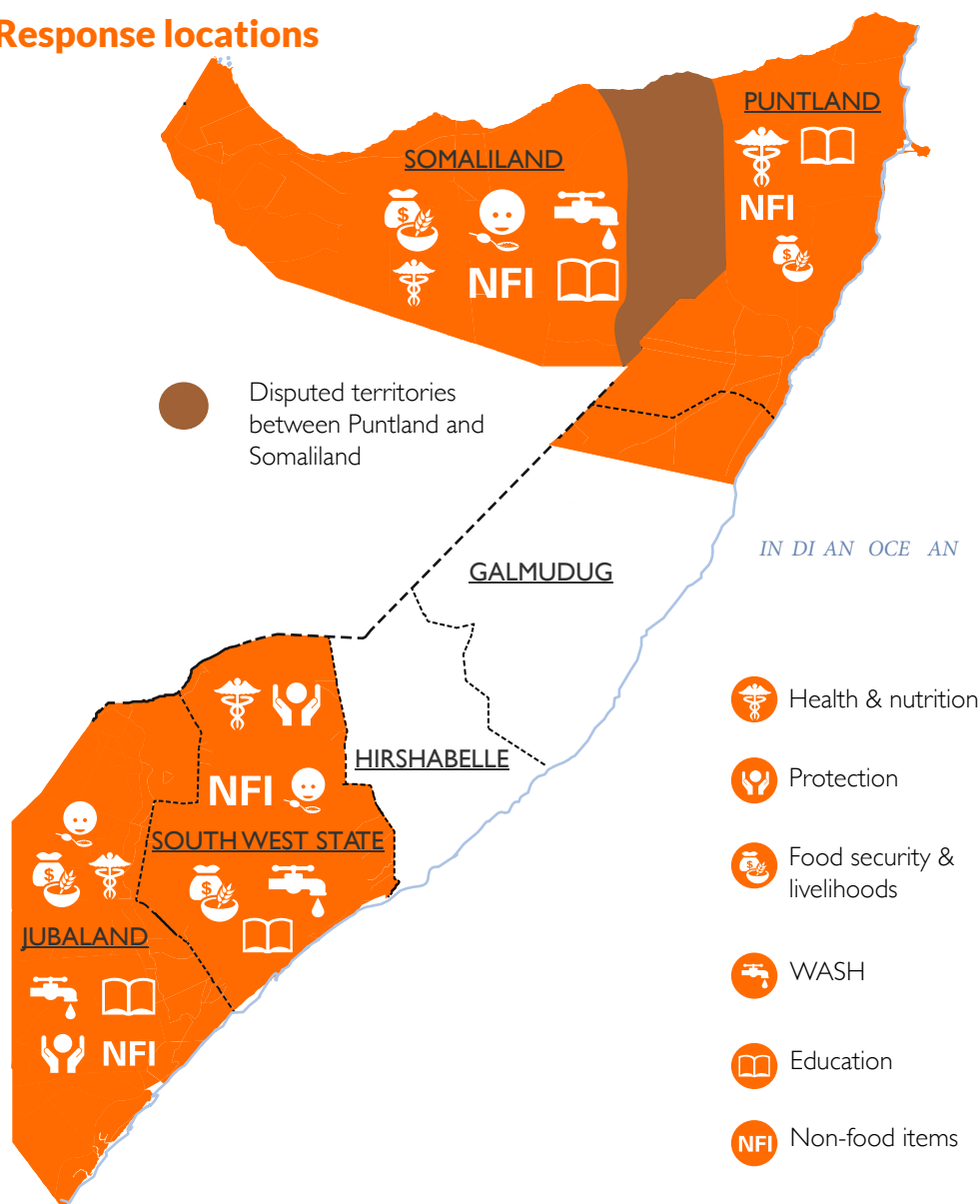
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