

WFP received EUR 7.2 million in funding from the European Union (EU) it helps crisis-affected people in Burkina Faso

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“The 2022 lean season in Burkina Faso was the worst of the last decade and it further aggravated existing vulnerabilities of both displaced and local communities,” said Miranda Sendé, WFP Deputy Country Director in Burkina Faso. “The continued support from the European Union was essential to allow the most vulnerable populations access food.”

The EU’s funding, received through the European Civil Protection and Humanitarian Aid Operations department ([ECHO](#)), enabled WFP to provide vital food assistance to 45,000 internally displaced people (IDPs) lacking access to food between April and December 2022, and to about 705,000 vulnerable people across the country severely affected by food insecurity during the agricultural season from July to August.

Results of the March 2022 *Cadre Harmonisé* food security assessment indicated that overall, 3.5 million people were estimated to be acutely food insecure during the peak of the lean season (July to August). This was an unprecedented situation experienced at national, community and household level. During the 2022 lean season, WFP assisted a total of 1.2 million people including 440,000 with food commodities in areas where food was not available in markets, and around 832,000 with cash-based transfers in other areas.

“Without the cash I received I would not have been able to secure a 100 kg bag of maize to ensure meals for the kids. Earnings from the jobs and farming we do is not enough to support my family but thanks to the support we received from WFP

we can cope with this hardship,â• said Harouna Ouedraogo, originally from Doffi (Dablo district) and now displaced in Kaya with his family.