

# The children and women we want to reach



**The No Time to Waste Acceleration Plan 2022–2023 aims to reach over 26 million children and women with a package of essential maternal and child nutrition and social protection actions for the early prevention, detection and treatment of child wasting.**

The Acceleration Plan will reach over 9.3 million women and 16.7 million children with essential nutrition interventions during pregnancy and the first two years of

life for the prevention, detection and treatment of wasting in early childhood.

In addition, the Acceleration Plan will aim to provide cash support to over 1.7 million pregnant women and mothers with a child under two years of age. This cash support will contribute to eliminate the financial barriers that women and children may experience in accessing nutritious diets and essential nutrition services.

Table 2: *UNICEF No Time to Waste Acceleration Plan 2022–2023*. Number of children and women to be reached with a package of essential maternal and child nutrition and social protection actions for the prevention, early detection and treatment of child wasting, by country and country grouping.

	<b>Maternal Nutrition (Prevention)</b>	<b>Child Nutrition (Prevention)</b>	<b>Women and Children (Prevention)</b>	<b>Children (Detection and treatment)</b>	<b>Women and Children (Social Protection)</b>
<b>Horn of Africa</b>	<b>3,363,120</b>	<b>4,273,940</b>	<b>7,637,060</b>	<b>2,462,166</b>	<b>627,338</b>
Ethiopia	1,343,280	1,679,100	3,022,380	422,763	156,795
Kenya	280,160	420,240	700,400	125,774	49,861
Somalia	452,320	565,400	1,017,720	421,643	21,638
South Sudan	273,120	341,400	614,520	443,319	31,359
Sudan	1,014,240	1,267,800	2,282,040	1,048,667	367,685
<b>Central Sahel</b>	<b>3,212,600</b>	<b>4,355,140</b>	<b>7,567,740</b>	<b>1,019,544</b>	<b>337,110</b>
Burkina Faso	277,760	347,200	624,960	76,604	109,757
Chad	234,400	293,000	527,400	294,283	2,352
Mali	576,960	721,200	1,298,160	131,411	50,958
Niger	765,920	957,400	1,723,320	151,952	17,247
Nigeria	1,357,560	2,036,340	3,393,900	365,294	156,795
<b>Countries in Crisis</b>	<b>2,729,960</b>	<b>3,570,720</b>	<b>6,300,680</b>	<b>1,055,689</b>	<b>798,715</b>
Afghanistan	907,680	1,134,600	2,042,280	133,333	406,884
DR-Congo	633,080	949,620	1,582,700	228,851	23,519
Haiti	202,080	252,600	454,680	40,735	156,795
Madagascar	328,720	410,900	739,620	37,153	27,282
Yemen	658,400	823,000	1,481,400	615,617	184,234
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>9,305,680</b>	<b>12,199,800</b>	<b>21,505,480</b>	<b>4,537,399</b>	<b>1,763,163</b>

Table 3. *UNICEF No Time to Waste Acceleration Plan 2022–2023*: Cost (in USD) of delivering a package of essential maternal and child nutrition and social protection actions for the prevention, early detection and treatment of child wasting, by country and country grouping.

	<b>Maternal Nutrition (Prevention)</b>	<b>Child Nutrition (Prevention)</b>	<b>Women and Children (Prevention)</b>	<b>Children (Detection and treatment)</b>	<b>Women and Children (Social Protection)</b>	<b>Total Cost</b>
<b>Horn of Africa</b>	<b>67,262,400</b>	<b>85,478,800</b>	<b>152,741,200</b>	<b>221,594,990</b>	<b>135,237,819</b>	<b>509,574,009</b>
Ethiopia	33,582,000	33,582,000	67,164,000	38,048,684	12,852,823	118,065,507
Kenya	7,004,000	8,404,800	15,408,800	11,319,683	17,202,011	43,930,494
Somalia	11,308,000	11,308,000	22,616,000	37,947,884	9,736,987	70,300,871
South Sudan	6,828,000	6,828,000	13,656,000	39,898,739	9,407,717	62,962,456
Sudan	25,356,000	25,356,000	50,712,000	94,380,000	86,038,279	231,130,279
<b>Central Sahel</b>	<b>80,315,000</b>	<b>87,102,800</b>	<b>167,417,800</b>	<b>91,759,033</b>	<b>54,754,170</b>	<b>313,931,003</b>
Burkina Faso	6,944,000	6,944,000	13,888,000	6,894,392	12,139,091	32,921,483
Chad	5,860,000	5,860,000	11,720,000	26,485,488	649,132	38,854,620
Mali	14,424,000	14,424,000	28,848,000	11,826,974	22,014,059	62,689,033
Niger	19,148,000	19,148,000	38,296,000	13,675,719	7,533,700	59,505,419
Nigeria	33,939,000	40,726,800	74,665,800	32,876,460	12,418,187	119,960,447
<b>Countries in Crisis</b>	<b>68,249,000</b>	<b>71,414,400</b>	<b>139,663,400</b>	<b>95,012,138</b>	<b>175,008,011</b>	<b>409,683,549</b>
Afghanistan	22,692,000	22,692,000	45,384,000	12,000,000	76,168,643	133,552,643
DR-Congo	15,827,000	18,992,400	34,819,400	20,596,630	8,560,717	63,976,747
Haiti	5,052,000	5,052,000	10,104,000	3,666,150	36,690,098	50,460,248
Madagascar	8,218,000	8,218,000	16,436,000	3,343,798	7,529,937	27,309,735
Yemen	16,460,000	16,460,000	32,920,000	55,405,560	46,058,616	134,384,176
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>215,826,400</b>	<b>243,996,000</b>	<b>459,822,400</b>	<b>408,366,161</b>	<b>365,000,000</b>	<b>1,233,188,561</b>

UNICEF’s No Time to Waste plan to accelerate actions for the early prevention, detection and treatment of child wasting in 2022–2023 has a singular objective: **ensure that children in the most vulnerable contexts make it past this global food and nutrition crisis.**

Our collective success will therefore be measured by the number of lives we protect through the scale up of essential actions for the early prevention, detection and treatment of child wasting. In delivering this combined set of essential nutrition and social protection actions, we aim to ensure that the available resources achieve higher effectiveness and greater cost-effectiveness.

Our Acceleration Plan will **strengthen the humanitarian-development nexus recognizing the immediate and longer-term benefits of our vision, goal and objectives when operating in fragile contexts.** We will be guided by the immediate need of saving children’s lives while addressing some of the structural determinants and drivers on child wasting. We will stay engaged and maintain and expand access to affected children and women through principled

action and innovative partnerships. And we will seek to understand local contexts and enable national and sub-national governments and stakeholders to lead action as much as possible.

The implementation of this plan will also **accelerate the scale up of innovative and simplified approaches for the early prevention, detection and treatment of child wasting,** maximizing the potential contribution of these solutions to survival, growth and development in early childhood. To do so, UNICEF will work closely with national governments and national nutrition sector and cluster coordination mechanisms to transform and to optimize present and future responses to food and nutrition crisis.

This coordinated effort across 15 countries will provide a unique opportunity to **operationalize the UNICEF-WFP Partnership Framework for Child Wasting.** This Framework, released in 2021, provides a clear vision and road-map to leverage the mandate, individual expertise, and operational capacity the two UN organizations.