

LAKE CHAD BASIN - COMPLEX EMERGENCY

FACT SHEET #15, FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2018

JUNE 1, 2018

NUMBERS AT A GLANCE

7.7
million

People Requiring Humanitarian Assistance in Nigeria's Adamawa, Borno, and Yobe States
UN – February 2018

1.72
million

Estimated IDPs in Adamawa, Borno, and Yobe
IOM – April 2018

129,000

Estimated IDPs in Niger's Diffa Region
Government of Niger – October 2017

241,000

Estimated IDPs in Cameroon's Far North Region
IOM – February 2018

106,300

Estimated IDPs in Chad's Lac Region
IOM – April 2018

211,500

Estimated Nigerian Refugees in Cameroon, Chad, and Niger
UNHCR – April 2018

HIGHLIGHTS

- Heavy rains and wind storms affect 2,400 displaced households across three Borno State LGAs
- Health actors respond to initial suspected cholera cases and related deaths in Adamawa State
- WFP reaches more than 1.2 million people in northeastern Nigeria with emergency food assistance

HUMANITARIAN FUNDING FOR THE LAKE CHAD BASIN RESPONSE IN FY 2017–2018

USAID/OFDA ¹	\$147,694,288
USAID/FFP ²	\$405,224,249
State/PRM ³	\$90,010,000
USAID/Nigeria	\$6,182,734
\$649,111,271⁴	

KEY DEVELOPMENTS

- Strong winds and heavy rainfall on May 22 affected nearly 2,400 households and damaged nearly 1,700 structures in displacement sites across three Local Government Areas (LGAs) in Borno, according to the International Organization for Migration (IOM). USAID Disaster Assistance Response Team (DART) partners continue to provide shelter and water, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH) support to vulnerable populations throughout northeastern Nigeria during the June-to-September rainy season.
- In April, the Prevention of Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (PSEA) Task Force drafted a PSEA Network Action Plan, aiming to implement programs to mitigate and respond to sexual exploitation and abuse in Nigeria. The task force also identified staff members from nearly 30 agencies to serve as points of contact on sexual exploitation and abuse issues for their respective organizations.
- In April, USAID/FFP partner the UN World Food Program (WFP) provided emergency food assistance to more than 1.2 million people in Adamawa, Borno, and Yobe states, reaching nearly 784,000 people with in-kind food distributions and more than 420,000 people with cash-based transfers for food. In addition, two USAID/FFP partners provided emergency food vouchers to more than 413,000 people across Borno during the month.

¹ USAID's Office of U.S. Foreign Disaster Assistance (USAID/OFDA)

² USAID's Office of Food for Peace (USAID/FFP)

³ U.S. Department of State's Bureau of Population, Refugees, and Migration (State/PRM)

⁴ Year of funding indicates the date of commitment or obligation, not appropriation, of funds. Funding represents publicly reported amounts as of April 5, 2018.

NIGERIA

- Heavy winds and rainfall on May 22 affected nearly 2,400 households—more than 12,000 individuals—and resulted in damage to more than 1,400 shelters, nearly 260 latrines, and 15 bathing facilities in displacement sites across Borno’s Gwoza, Jere, and Konduga LGAs, according to IOM. DART partners are reinforcing vulnerable shelters in displacement sites and host communities, as well as rehabilitating WASH facilities in high-risk areas, to mitigate additional damage during the rainy season.
- The Adamawa State Ministry of Health recorded more than 830 initial suspected cholera cases and 15 related deaths in four LGAs between May 17 and May 31, representing a case fatality rate of nearly 2 percent. Mubi North LGA and Mubi South LGA account for approximately 99.6 percent of the suspected cholera cases and all related deaths in the state. A mid-May USAID/OFDA partner assessment identified insufficient water storage and waste management infrastructure in Mubi North. In response to recent cholera cases in the region, USAID/OFDA partner the UN World Health Organization (WHO) recently deployed nearly 40 staff members to assist in emergency response activities, and other USAID/OFDA partners are coordinating with health actors to provide critical health and WASH interventions.
- From April 29–May 12, a USAID/OFDA partner provided more than 6,800 health consultations, routine immunizations to more than 100 children, and tetanus toxoid vaccines to more than 160 pregnant women in Borno’s Banki, Dikwa, and Ngala towns. In April, another USAID/OFDA partner treated nearly 2,400 children for severe acute malnutrition (SAM) and trained more than 50 health care workers on SAM management in Borno. In addition, the partner reached nearly 35,400 people through WASH interventions and more than 6,200 people with child protection assistance in the state.
- In April, USAID/FFP partner WFP provided emergency food assistance to more than 1.2 million people in Adamawa, Borno, and Yobe, reaching nearly 784,000 people with in-kind food distributions and more than 420,000 people with cash-based transfers for food. WFP also provided preventative nutrition assistance to more than 327,000 individuals across the three states in April. For the first time, WFP provided in-kind food assistance in Borno’s Kala/Balge and Kukawa LGAs in April, in addition to Mobbar LGA, where WFP began distributing food assistance in March. The UN agency took over the caseloads in the LGAs from the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) in 2018.
- In addition, two USAID/FFP partners provided emergency food vouchers to more than 413,000 people across Borno in April, with one partner providing emergency food vouchers to an estimated 290,000 vulnerable people, and another providing emergency food vouchers to more than 123,000 individuals.
- USAID/OFDA partner the UN Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) assisted an estimated 117,000 farming households in northeastern Nigeria from December 2017–April 2018. The UN agency provided a package of agricultural inputs, including seeds and fertilizers, to households to increase crop production and food availability, as well as mitigate the need for continued food assistance.
- Nearly one year after the launch of the PSEA Network to manage and strengthen PSEA mechanisms in Nigeria, the PSEA Task Force drafted the PSEA Network Action Plan in April. The plan aims to implement programs to prevent sexual exploitation and abuse; coordinate, manage, monitor, and support sexual exploitation and abuse response activities; and engage with and support local populations on issues pertaining to sexual exploitation and abuse. The task force also established initial standard operating procedures for a community-based reporting mechanism and identified staff members from nearly 30 agencies to serve as PSEA liaisons for their respective organizations.
- In April, with USAID/OFDA support, an international non-governmental organization (INGO) mapped gender-based violence (GBV) service providers in Borno’s Damboa LGA to establish a referral pathway in the area and monitor exploitative transactions at a local market. The partner also reached nearly 4,300 households in three LGAs through hygiene promotion activities and engaged 100 people in a cash-for-work activity, which involved clearing solid waste from drainage channels in Borno’s Gamboru and Ngala towns. In response to an urgent need for additional shelters in Ngala, the partner is collaborating with another INGO to construct 650 emergency shelters at displacement sites. Ngala continued to receive new arrivals from inaccessible areas, other LGA capitals in Borno, and neighboring Cameroon as of May 22.
- From April 29–May 12, a USAID/OFDA partner reached nearly 9,300 internally displaced persons (IDPs) in Banki, Dikwa, and Ngala with awareness sessions on GBV—including domestic violence, early marriage, and GBV risk

mitigation—and provided psychosocial support services and safe space activities, such as education and literacy classes, to individuals in the area.

CAMEROON

- In April, USAID/FFP partner WFP delivered full in-kind food rations to approximately 64,500 people, including Nigerian refugees in Minawao refugee camp and IDPs, in Cameroon’s Far North Region. WFP also provided cash transfers for food to nearly 15,700 IDPs in the region during the month.

CHAD

- On May 3–4, USAID/FFP staff monitored food security conditions and ongoing programs in Chad’s Lac Region. Chad’s nationwide economic crisis and the closure of the Chad–Nigeria border have perpetuated high food prices, limited income-generating opportunities, and reduced household earnings, exacerbating food insecurity in the region.
- In Dar es Salaam camp near Lac’s Baga Sola town, USAID/FFP partner WFP is distributing food vouchers to Nigerian refugees, while approximately 160,000 IDPs and 40,000 Chadian returnees in the region receive cash transfers or in-kind food assistance, depending on local market functioning. WFP provides monthly food assistance to displaced populations in the region throughout the year, and vulnerable host populations receive assistance during the lean season. To date in FY 2018, USAID/FFP has contributed \$10 million to WFP to provide emergency food assistance in Chad’s Kanem and Lac regions.

NIGER

- From March 15–April 15, a USAID/OFDA partner reached nearly 960 people with hygiene promotion sessions focused on the importance of handwashing and latrine use, established nearly 360 handwashing stations, and distributed cleaning kits to more than 30 individuals in Niger’s Diffa Region. In addition, the partner distributed more than 200 income-generating activity kits—containing tools to support a variety of livelihoods activities, such as livestock farming and small trade—and conducted 330 livelihoods trainings for beneficiaries in the region.

CONTEXT

- Years of conflict perpetuated by Boko Haram and Islamic State of Iraq and Syria–West Africa have triggered a humanitarian crisis in Nigeria and surrounding countries in the Lake Chad Basin, including areas of Cameroon, Chad, and Niger. The escalating violence—including deliberate attacks on civilians and relief workers—has displaced an estimated 2.4 million people; hindered agricultural production, livelihoods, and cross-border trade; prevented delivery of humanitarian assistance; and restricted affected populations from accessing basic services in the four countries.
- The UN estimates that nearly 11 million people in the region require humanitarian assistance, including approximately 7.7 million people in northeastern Nigeria’s three most-affected states—Adamawa, Borno, and Yobe. Populations in the Lake Chad Basin remain highly dependent on emergency food assistance to meet basic food needs, in addition to requiring emergency health, nutrition, protection, shelter, and WASH interventions.
- On November 10, 2016, USAID activated a DART to lead the U.S. Government (USG) response to the humanitarian crisis in northeastern Nigeria. USAID also stood up a Washington, D.C.-based Response Management Team to support the DART.
- U.S. Chargé d’Affaires, a.i., Matthew D. Smith, U.S. Ambassador Geeta Pasi, U.S. Chargé d’Affaires, a.i., Phillip Nelson, and U.S. Ambassador W. Stuart Symington have re-declared disasters for FY 2018 due to the ongoing complex emergencies and humanitarian crises in Cameroon, Chad, Niger, and Nigeria, respectively.

USG HUMANITARIAN FUNDING FOR THE LAKE CHAD BASIN RESPONSE IN FY 2017–2018¹

IMPLEMENTING PARTNER	ACTIVITY	LOCATION	AMOUNT
USAID/OFDA			
NIGERIA			
Implementing Partners (IPs)	Agriculture and Food Security; Economic Recovery and Market Systems (ERMS); Health; Humanitarian Coordination and Information Management; Humanitarian Studies, Analysis, or Applications; Logistics Support and Relief Commodities; Nutrition; Protection; Risk Management Policy and Practice; Shelter and Settlements; WASH	Abuja, Adamawa, Borno, Gombe, and Yobe	\$85,442,561
FAO	Agriculture and Food Security, Nutrition	Northeastern Nigeria	\$3,500,000
IOM	Health, Humanitarian Coordination and Information Management, Protection	Northeastern Nigeria	\$12,900,000
UN Children’s Fund (UNICEF)	Nutrition, Protection, WASH	Northeastern Nigeria	\$4,963,815
UN Humanitarian Air Service (UNHAS)	Logistics Support and Relief Commodities	Northeastern Nigeria	\$3,000,000
UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA)	Humanitarian Coordination and Information Management	Northeastern Nigeria	\$2,000,000
WFP	Logistics Support and Relief Commodities	Northeastern Nigeria	\$5,355,106
WHO	Health	Northeastern Nigeria	\$5,000,000
	Program Support		\$3,220,022
TOTAL USAID/OFDA FUNDING FOR THE NIGERIA RESPONSE IN FY 2017–2018			\$125,381,504
CAMEROON			
IPs	Agriculture and Food Security, ERMS, Health, Logistics Support and Relief Commodities, Protection, WASH	Far North	\$5,513,371
OCHA	Humanitarian Coordination and Information Management	Countrywide	\$1,250,000
UNHAS	Logistics Support and Relief Commodities	Countrywide	\$950,000
TOTAL USAID/OFDA FUNDING FOR THE CAMEROON RESPONSE IN FY 2017–2018			\$7,713,371
CHAD			
IPs	Agriculture and Food Security, Health, Humanitarian Coordination and Information Management, Logistics Support and Relief Commodities, Protection, Risk Management Policy and Practice, WASH	Lac	\$4,968,512
UNHAS	Logistics Support and Relief Commodities	Countrywide	\$950,000
TOTAL USAID/OFDA FUNDING FOR THE CHAD RESPONSE IN FY 2017–2018			\$5,918,512
NIGER			
IPs	Agriculture and Food Security; ERMS; Humanitarian Coordination and Information Management; Humanitarian Studies, Analysis, or Applications; Logistics Support and Relief Commodities; Protection; Shelter and Settlements; WASH	Diffa	\$7,400,833

OCHA	Humanitarian Coordination and Information Management	Countrywide	\$300,000
UNHAS	Logistics Support and Relief Commodities	Countrywide	\$950,000
	Program Support		\$30,068
TOTAL USAID/OFDA FUNDING FOR THE NIGER RESPONSE IN FY 2017–2018			\$8,680,901
TOTAL USAID/OFDA FUNDING FOR THE LAKE CHAD BASIN RESPONSE IN FY 2017–2018			\$147,694,288
USAID/FFP²			
NIGERIA			
IPs	Cash Transfers for Food, Food Vouchers, Local and Regional Food Procurement, Complementary Services	Northeastern Nigeria	\$95,064,128
UNICEF	U.S. In-Kind Food Aid, Complementary Services	Northeastern Nigeria	\$8,671,781
WFP	U.S. In-Kind Food Aid	Northeastern Nigeria	\$40,463,849
	Local and Regional Food Procurement, Cash Transfers for Food, Food Vouchers, Complementary Services	Northeastern Nigeria	\$174,699,999
TOTAL USAID/FFP FUNDING FOR THE NIGERIA RESPONSE IN FY 2017–2018			\$318,899,757
CAMEROON			
IP	Cash Transfers for Food, Complementary Services	Far North	\$3,000,000
WFP	U.S. In-Kind Food Aid	Far North	\$20,718,407
	Local and Regional Food Procurement, Food Vouchers	Far North	\$5,000,000
TOTAL USAID/FFP FUNDING FOR THE CAMEROON RESPONSE IN FY 2017–2018			\$28,718,407
CHAD			
WFP	U.S. In-Kind Food Aid	Lac	\$6,744,153
	Local and Regional Food Procurement, Cash Transfers for Food, Food Vouchers	Kanem, Lac	\$14,200,000
TOTAL USAID/FFP FUNDING FOR THE CHAD RESPONSE IN FY 2017–2018			\$20,944,153
NIGER			
IP	Food Vouchers	Diffa	\$2,500,000
WFP	U.S. In-Kind Food Aid	Diffa	\$24,861,932
	Local and Regional Food Procurement, Cash Transfers for Food	Diffa	\$9,300,000
TOTAL USAID/FFP FUNDING FOR THE NIGER RESPONSE IN FY 2017–2018			\$36,661,932
TOTAL USAID/FFP FUNDING FOR THE LAKE CHAD BASIN RESPONSE IN FY 2017–2018			\$405,224,249
STATE/PRM³			
NIGERIA			
ICRC	Cash Transfers for Food, Protection and Assistance to Victims of Conflict	Countrywide	\$28,400,000
Office of the UN High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR)	Protection and Multi-Sector Assistance to IDPs	Countrywide	\$15,800,000
TOTAL STATE/PRM FUNDING FOR THE NIGERIA RESPONSE IN FY 2017–2018			\$44,200,000

CAMEROON			
IPs	GBV Response and Prevention, WASH	Far North	\$950,000
ICRC	Multi-Sector Assistance, Protection and Assistance to Victims of Conflict	Countrywide	\$6,520,000
UNHAS	Logistics Support and Relief Commodities	Countrywide	\$1,135,000
UNICEF	Education, Health, Protection, Shelter and Settlements, WASH	Far North	\$430,000
TOTAL STATE/PRM FUNDING FOR THE CAMEROON RESPONSE IN FY 2017–2018			\$9,035,000
CHAD			
ICRC	Multi-Sector Assistance, Protection and Assistance to Victims of Conflict	Countrywide	\$2,950,000
UNICEF	Education, Health, Protection, Shelter and Settlements, WASH	Lac	\$585,000
TOTAL STATE/PRM FUNDING FOR THE CHAD RESPONSE IN FY 2017–2018			\$3,535,000
NIGER			
IPs	Child Protection, Health, WASH	Diffa	\$1,350,000
ICRC	Protection and Assistance to Victims of Conflict	Countrywide	\$8,830,000
IOM	Multi-Sector Assistance, Protection Assistance to IDPs and Returnees	Diffa	\$1,000,000
UNHAS	Logistics Support and Relief Commodities	Countrywide	\$1,950,000
UNHCR	Protection and Multi-Sector Assistance to IDPs and Refugees	Countrywide	\$18,400,000
UNICEF	Education, Health, Protection, Shelter and Settlements, WASH	Diffa	\$1,710,000
TOTAL STATE/PRM FUNDING FOR THE NIGER RESPONSE IN FY 2017–2018			\$33,240,000
TOTAL STATE/PRM FUNDING FOR THE LAKE CHAD BASIN RESPONSE IN FY 2017–2018			\$90,010,000
USAID/NIGERIA			
IPs	Education, Health, Nutrition, and ERMS Assistance for IDPs and Host Communities	Adamawa, Borno, and Yobe	\$6,182,734
TOTAL USAID/NIGERIA FUNDING FOR THE NIGERIA RESPONSE IN FY 2017–2018			\$6,182,734
TOTAL USG HUMANITARIAN FUNDING FOR THE LAKE CHAD BASIN RESPONSE IN FY 2017–2018			\$649,111,271

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² Estimated value of food assistance and transportation costs at time of procurement; subject to change.

³ State/PRM also contributes to UNHCR's overall country operations in Chad and Cameroon, which may benefit populations in the Lake Chad Basin.

PUBLIC DONATION INFORMATION

The most effective way people can assist relief efforts is by making cash contributions to humanitarian organizations that are conducting relief operations. A list of NGO humanitarian organizations that are accepting cash donations for disaster responses around the world can be found at www.interaction.org.

USAID encourages cash donations because they allow aid professionals to procure the exact items needed (often in the affected region); reduce the burden on scarce resources (such as transportation routes, staff time, and warehouse space);

can be transferred very quickly and without transportation costs; support the economy of the disaster-stricken region; and ensure culturally, dietary, and environmentally appropriate assistance.

More information can be found at:

- USAID Center for International Disaster Information: www.cidi.org or +1.202.661.7710.
- Information on relief activities of the humanitarian community can be found at www.reliefweb.int.

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