



LAKE CHAD BASIN - COMPLEX EMERGENCY

FACT SHEET #7, FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2018

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NUMBERS AT A GLANCE

7.7 million

Population Requiring Humanitarian Assistance in Nigeria's Adamawa, Borno, and Yobe States UN - December 2017

1.56 million

Estimated IDPs in Adamawa, Borno, and Yobe IOM – December 2017

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 – December 2017

152,900

Estimated IDPs in Chad's Lac Region IOM – November 2017

208,700

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

HIGHLIGHTS

- HRP aims to reach 6.1 million people northeastern Nigeria's Adamawa, Borno, and Yobe states in 2018
- FEWS NET projects severe food insecurity, risk of Famine will persist in northeastern Nigeria through mid-2018
- Relief actors deliver food assistance for 2 million people in northeastern Nigeria in December

HUMANITARIAN FUNDING FOR THE LAKE CHAD BASIN RESPONS

FOR THE LAKE CHAD BASIN RESPONSE IN FY 2017–2018

| USAID/OFDA1 | \$134,497,117 | | |
|------------------------|---------------|--|--|
| USAID/FFP2 | \$314,910,422 | | |
| State/PRM ³ | \$71,090,000 | | |
| USAID/Nigeria | \$6,182,734 | | |
| \$526,680,273 | | | |

KEY DEVELOPMENTS

- On February 8, the UN, in coordination with the Government of Nigeria (GoN), launched the 2018 Humanitarian Response Plan (HRP), requesting nearly \$1.1 billion to address the humanitarian needs of 6.1 million people across northeastern Nigeria. In addition to the continued delivery of life-saving assistance and protection of vulnerable populations, the 2018 HRP prioritizes resilience-building initiatives and strengthening links to longer-term recovery to help conflict-affected populations rebuild their lives.
- A substantial proportion of northeastern Nigeria's population continues to face
 Crisis—IPC 3—or Emergency—IPC 4—levels of acute food insecurity, according to the
 Famine Early Warning Systems Network (FEWS NET).⁴ Additionally, those living in
 inaccessible areas face heightened risk of Famine—IPC 5. FEWS NET reports that
 without continued humanitarian assistance, areas of Adamawa, Borno, and Yobe will
 continue to experience Emergency levels of acute food insecurity through May.
- Recent FEWS NET analyses project that vulnerable households in Cameroon will likely face Stressed—IPC 2—levels of food insecurity in April and May, while some populations in Niger's Diffa will likely face Crisis levels of acute food insecurity through May.
- Recent armed group attacks underscore continued security risks facing civilians in the
 Lake Chad Basin region. In northeastern Nigeria, a suspected Boko Haram attack on
 January 31 resulted in at least five deaths and injured four people at an internally displaced
 person (IDP) camp, according to international media. In Niger, two suspected Boko
 Haram attacks in Diffa in January resulted in several deaths, and renewed concerns about
 unstable security conditions in areas that had experienced relative safety in recent months.

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)

⁴The Integrated Food Security Phase Classification (IPC) is a standardized tool that aims to classify the severity and magnitude of food insecurity. The IPC scale, comparable across countries, ranges from Minimal—IPC 1—to Famine—IPC 5.

REGIONAL

- In January, U.S. Government (USG) partner the UN Children's Fund (UNICEF) released its 2018 Humanitarian Action for Children (HAC) appeals for Cameroon, Chad, Niger, and Nigeria, requesting more than \$271 million to respond to the humanitarian needs of children. In total, the 2018 HACs aim to provide education, health, nutrition, protection, and water, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH) support for more than 4.9 million children—including treatment for more than 823,000 children facing severe acute malnutrition (SAM)—across the four countries, including areas in the Lake Chad Basin.
- Between January and November 2017, UNICEF and its partners admitted approximately 534,000 children ages five
 years and younger for SAM treatment in Cameroon, Chad, and Niger; the figure includes 66,700 children located in the
 Lake Chad Basin, surpassing UNICEF's 2017 HAC target of 64,600 for SAM treatment in the region. In Nigeria,
 UNICEF supported the treatment of nearly 208,700 children facing SAM during 2017. The UN agency also supported
 preventative nutrition services across the Lake Chad Basin, providing micronutrient powder and counseling caregivers
 on infant and young child feeding throughout the year.

NIGERIA

- On February 8, UN Resident and Humanitarian Coordinator Edward Kallon announced the launch of the 2018 HRP for Nigeria, which requests nearly \$1.1 billion to address humanitarian needs across Adamawa, Borno, and Yobe. Although the number of people requiring humanitarian assistance decreased from 8.5 million people in 2017, approximately 7.7 million people remain in need of assistance following years of conflict in the region, including nearly 1.6 million IDPs and 943,000 children facing acute malnutrition. In 2018, the UN and its partners aim to reach up to 6.1 million people in northeastern Nigeria with multi-sector support, including emergency food assistance, health, nutrition, protection, shelter, and WASH, as well as early recovery activities to enhance local capacities and restore access to basic services and livelihoods.
- Armed group attacks remain a persistent threat to civilians in northeastern Nigeria. On January 31, two person-borne improvised explosive devices detonated at Dalori IDP camp, located southeast of Borno State's capital city of Maiduguri, international media report. The attack resulted in at least five civilian deaths and dozens of injuries. Media recorded at least eight armed group attacks affecting civilians in Adamawa and Borno between mid-January and February 2, according to the Council on Foreign Relations Security Tracker.
- Between October 2017 and mid-January 2018, at least 380 households and more than 500 individuals arrived at Borno's Konduga town from Jakana town and other nearby communities in Konduga Local Government Area (LGA), according to a recent non-governmental organization (NGO) rapid needs assessment. Although the cause of displacement varied, military personnel brought more than 400 of the IDPs—who were reportedly hiding in remote areas due to the presence of armed groups—to Konduga IDP camp between December and January after finding the IDPs during military operations.
- Recent IDP arrivals to Konduga identified food and shelter assistance as priority needs and reported a lack of
 humanitarian assistance other than initial relief commodities provided by the Borno State Emergency Management
 Agency. In addition, distribution of food and relief assistance had been disparate between IDPs in camps and within
 host communities. The assessment recommended that relief actors scale up emergency shelter, food, nutrition, relief
 commodity, and WASH assistance to ensure sufficient access for all vulnerable populations in Konduga.
- In September and October 2017, the UN World Food Program (WFP) coordinated with the GoN and food security partners to conduct an Emergency Food Security Assessment of 19,600 households across 62 LGAs in Adamawa, Borno, and Yobe. The assessment found that 34 percent of households were food insecure, including 5 percent of households facing severe food insecurity. IDPs residing in camps experienced the highest level of food insecurity—55 percent—whereas host communities and permanent residents had the lowest level of food insecurity, approximately 30 percent. Shocks—such as conflict, displacement, loss of employment, restricted market access, and crop failure—and limited access to agricultural land contributed to food insecurity in the surveyed areas, according to the assessment.
- Recent FEWS NET reports indicate that much of the population in northeastern Nigeria continues to face Crisis or Emergency levels of acute food insecurity, with current and planned humanitarian assistance likely preventing worse food security outcomes in several areas over the coming months. Conflict, population displacement, disruption of

trade and markets, and limited humanitarian access continue to undermine food security in the region, and FEWS NET projects similar food security outcomes through May. In areas that remain inaccessible to humanitarian actors, populations likely face an elevated risk of Famine.

- The UN Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) and other humanitarian actors are providing food security and livelihoods assistance to approximately 110,000 households in Adamawa, Borno, and Yobe, primarily through the provision of seeds and fertilizer to strengthen agricultural production, according to FEWS NET.
- In December, USAID/FFP partner WFP dispatched approximately 15,500 metric tons (MT) of food commodities and disbursed an estimated \$3.1 million in cash-based transfers for food to approximately 1.2 million people in Adamawa, Borno, and Yobe. In addition, USAID/FFP NGO partners reached approximately 730,000 vulnerable individuals in Borno and Yobe with market-based or in-kind food assistance during the month. USAID/FFP partners also conducted nutrition activities, including acute malnutrition screenings, infant and young child feeding counseling, and supplementary nutritious food distributions. Overall, food security partners provided cash-based or in-kind food assistance to more than 2 million people in northeastern Nigeria in December, according to the Food Security Sector Working Group—the coordinating body for food security activities, comprising UN agencies, NGOs, and other stakeholders.
- Between April and December 2017, a USAID/OFDA partner provided health care—including pediatric and reproductive services—and nutrition support for more than 50,000 people at approximately 10 sites in Maiduguri and Borno's Monguno town. The partner also facilitated five training sessions on SAM treatment for more than 50 GoN Ministry of Health staff to support nutrition stabilization centers throughout northeastern Nigeria. In addition, the partner provided critical health care services in response to the cholera outbreak in Borno that began in August 2017, erecting four oral rehydration stations in Maiduguri Metropolitan Council and Monguno LGAs. The partner assisted more than 1,000 patients between August and December 21, 2017, when the GoN Ministry of Health declared the end of the outbreak. The partner reported no cholera-related fatalities among the patients treated at the facilities.

CAMEROON

- In late January, the UN released the 2018 HRP for Cameroon, requesting \$189 million to respond to the urgent humanitarian needs of approximately 833,000 people in Far North Region. Approximately 2.1 million people—including 236,000 IDPs and 89,000 Nigerian refugees—require emergency assistance in Far North, accounting for 64 percent of humanitarian needs countrywide, according to the UN. During 2018, the UN and humanitarian actors plan to prioritize protection of civilians in Far North, including through the implementation of protection strategies by the Humanitarian Country Team and the Protection Sector.
- Approximately 241,000 IDPs were sheltering in Far North as of December 2017, according to the International
 Organization for Migration (IOM). The figure represents a slight decrease from the nearly 242,000 IDPs recorded in
 November 2017. Logone-et-Chari Department continues to host the largest IDP population, with more than
 125,700 IDPs sheltering in the department. More than 90 percent of IDPs reported armed conflict as the cause of
 displacement.
- Approximately 3.9 million people in Cameroon—16 percent of households—faced moderate or severe food insecurity in 2017, according to a recently released Comprehensive Food Security and Vulnerability Analysis. The analysis utilized data collected by WFP in May 2017 in collaboration with the Government of the Republic of Cameroon. Food insecurity was most prevalent in Far North, with nearly 34 percent of the region's population facing moderate or severe food insecurity—16 percent higher than the next most-affected region. In addition, instability stemming from conflict in the Lake Chad Basin disrupted cross-border trade and agricultural activities in Far North, exacerbating existing food insecurity in the region. More than 45 percent of surveyed households in Far North identified food as their primary need, followed by health, access to water, and agricultural inputs.
- Populations in Far North continue to face elevated cereal prices due to below-average 2017 harvests and disrupted
 market activities, according to FEWS NET. Inadequate access to water is also negatively affecting livelihood activities,
 such as small-scale agriculture and livestock rearing. Relief actors, including USG partners, are reaching some
 vulnerable populations with humanitarian assistance and plan to implement additional agricultural livelihoods support
 in the coming months. FEWS NET reports, however, that most poor households in Cameroon depend on markets to
 meet their food needs and will face at least Stressed levels of food insecurity in April and May.

 With support from USAID/OFDA, NGO partners are strengthening food security and agricultural livelihoods in Far North, providing agricultural inputs with complementary training to increase and diversity food production, implement conservation agriculture practices, and improve cultivation and post-harvest techniques. In addition, USAID/OFDA partners are establishing traditional wells and water points to support small-scale agriculture in the region.

CHAD

- In the absence of humanitarian assistance, FEWS NET anticipates that populations in Chad's Lac Region may face Crisis levels of acute food insecurity until May. Agricultural production in Lac was 8 percent below the five-year average, resulting in diminished household food stocks and placing additional stress on the food security situation in the region. Moreover, conflict continues to disrupt livelihood activities, markets, and trade in Lac, FEWS NET reports.
- In December 2017, a USAID/OFDA partner conducted an environmental hygiene campaign for nearly 1,000 people across 10 villages in Lac. The campaign included classes on latrine use and waste management, as well as a course for nearly 40 butchers on hygienic food practices. Additionally, the NGO trained 30 people to lead hygiene and environment committees to support ongoing hygiene promotion efforts. The partner also hosted sessions on resilience in three villages—focusing on identifying potential natural hazard risks—and trained two action committees on disaster risk reduction.

NIGER

- The UN recently released the 2018 HRP for Niger, requesting \$338 million to respond to humanitarian needs in the country. Niger's Diffa Region accounts for nearly 50 percent of the HRP request—approximately \$163 million—which will address the needs of 419,000 people requiring humanitarian assistance in the region. The UN reports that health needs increased in Diffa during 2017, with the number of people requiring health assistance growing from 231,000 people in 2017 to 419,000 people in 2018. In addition, approximately 408,000 people in Diffa require urgent food assistance.
- The UN reports that at least 20 security incidents occurred in Diffa in January, resulting in 13 civilian deaths and seven civilian kidnappings. Armed group attacks in areas of Diffa that otherwise experienced relative stability in recent months have raised concerns about renewed violence. On January 17, suspected Boko Haram elements attacked a Government of Niger military post in Diffa's village of Tournour, located approximately 6 miles from the Niger–Nigeria border, according to the UN. The attack resulted in the death of one civilian and at least four military personnel, international media report.
- On January 29, a suspected Boko Haram attack occurred in Diffa's Chetimari District—considered the safest area in the region by humanitarian actors—and highlighted potential deterioration of security conditions in Diffa. The attack resulted in the deaths of two Government of Niger military personnel, according to international media. While some people fled the village immediately following the attack, the UN reports that the individuals returned the following day. Recent attacks have had limited impacts on humanitarian partner activities, and the UN recommended a re-assessment of the security situation.
- Insecurity in Diffa continues to disrupt agricultural livelihoods and pastoral activities, according to FEWS NET. As a
 result of below-normal access to food and income, FEWS NET expects vulnerable populations to face Crisis levels of
 acute food insecurity in southern Diffa from February–May; however, anticipated humanitarian assistance could
 improve food security to Stressed levels in some areas of 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 region, including Cameroon,
 Chad, and Niger. The escalating violence—including deliberate attacks on civilians and relief workers—has
 displaced more than 2 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 8.5 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 Disaster Assistance Response Team (DART) to lead the 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 2017-2018

| IMPLEMENTING PARTNER | ACTIVITY | LOCATION | AMOUNT |
|--|--|---|---------------|
| | USAID/OFDA ² | | |
| | 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 States | \$76,942,561 |
| IOM | Health, Humanitarian Coordination and Information Management, Protection | Northeastern Nigeria | \$12,900,000 |
| UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) | Humanitarian Coordination and Information Management | Northeastern Nigeria | \$2,000,000 |
| FAO | Agriculture and Food Security, Nutrition | Northeastern Nigeria | \$3,500,000 |
| UNICEF | Nutrition, Protection, WASH | Northeastern Nigeria | \$4,963,815 |
| UN Humanitarian Air Service (UNHAS) | Logistics Support and Relief Commodities | Northeastern Nigeria | \$3,000,000 |
| WFP | Logistics Support and Relief Commodities | Northeastern Nigeria | \$3,355,106 |
| UN World Health Organization (WHO) | Health | Northeastern Nigeria | \$3,000,000 |
| | Program Support | | \$3,122,851 |
| TOTAL USAID/OFDA FUNDING FOR | THE NIGERIA RESPONSE | | \$112,784,333 |
| | 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 | \$950,000 |

| UNHAS | Logistics Support and Relief Commodities | Countrywide | \$950,000 |
|------------------------|---|----------------------|---------------|
| TOTAL USAID/OFDA FUNI | DING FOR THE CAMEROON RESPONSE | | \$7,413,371 |
| | CHAD | | |
| IPs | Agriculture and Food Security; Health; Humanitarian Coordination and Information Management; Protection; Risk Management, Policy, and Practice; WASH | Lac | \$4,968,512 |
| UNHAS | Logistics Support and Relief Commodities | Countrywide | \$950,000 |
| TOTAL USAID/OFDA FUNI | DING FOR THE CHAD RESPONSE | | \$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 |
| UNHAS | Logistics Support and Relief Commodities | Countrywide | \$950,000 |
| | Program Support | | \$30,068 |
| TOTAL USAID/OFDA FUNI | DING FOR THE NIGER RESPONSE | | \$8,380,901 |
| TOTAL USAID/OFDA FUNI | DING FOR THE LAKE CHAD BASIN RESPONSE | | \$134,497,117 |
| | USAID/FFP ³ | | |
| | NIGERIA | | |
| IPs | Cash Transfers for Food, Food Vouchers, Local and Regional Food Procurement, Complementary Services | Northeastern Nigeria | \$82,214,128 |
| UNICEF | U.S. In-Kind Food Aid, Complementary Services | Northeastern Nigeria | \$8,671,781 |
| | U.S. In-Kind Food Aid | Northeastern Nigeria | \$15,390,928 |
| WFP | Local and Regional Food Procurement, Cash Transfers for Food, Food Vouchers, Complementary Services | Northeastern Nigeria | \$154,699,999 |
| TOTAL USAID/FFP FUNDII | NG FOR THE NIGERIA RESPONSE | | \$260,976,836 |
| | CAMEROON | | |
| IP | Cash Transfers for Food, Complementary Services | Far North | \$3,000,000 |
| WFP | U.S. In-Kind Food Aid, Complementary Services | Far North | \$12,200,671 |
| | Local and Regional Food Procurement, Food Vouchers | Far North | \$5,000,000 |
| TOTAL USAID/FFP FUNDI | NG FOR THE CAMEROON RESPONSE | | \$20,200,671 |
| | CHAD | | |
| | U.S. In-Kind Food Aid | Lac | \$6,396,423 |
| WFP | Local and Regional Food Procurement, Cash Transfers for Food, Food Vouchers | Lac | \$4,200,000 |
| TOTAL USAID/FFP FUNDII | NG FOR THE CHAD RESPONSE | | \$10,596,423 |
| | NIGER | | |
| IP | Food Vouchers | Diffa | \$2,500,000 |
| WFP | U.S. In-Kind Food Aid | Diffa | \$12,836,492 |
| | | | |

| | Local and Regional Food Procurement, Cash Transfers for Food | Diffa | \$7,800,000 |
|---|---|---------------------------|---------------|
| TOTAL USAID/FFP FUNDING FOR THE NIGER RESPONSE | | | \$23,136,492 |
| TOTAL USAID/FFP FUNDING FOR TH | IE LAKE CHAD BASIN RESPONSE | | \$314,910,422 |
| | STATE/PRM | | |
| | NIGERIA | | |
| International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) | Cash Transfers for Food, Protection and Assistance to Victims of Conflict | Countrywide | \$21,000,000 |
| UNHCR | Protection and Multi-Sector Assistance to IDPs | Countrywide | \$15,800,000 |
| TOTAL STATE/PRM FUNDING FOR T | HE NIGERIA RESPONSE | | \$36,800,000 |
| | CAMEROON | | |
| IP | Gender-Based Violence Response and Prevention, WASH | Far North | \$950,000 |
| ICRC | Multi-Sector Assistance, Protection and Assistance to Victims of Conflict | Countrywide | \$4,720,000 |
| UNHAS | Logistics Support and Relief Commodities | Countrywide | \$665,000 |
| UNICEF | Education, Health, Protection, Shelter and Settlements, WASH | Far North | \$430,000 |
| TOTAL STATE/PRM FUNDING FOR T | HE CAMEROON RESPONSE | | \$6,765,000 |
| | CHAD | | |
| ICRC | Multi-Sector Assistance, Protection and Assistance to Victims of Conflict | Countrywide | \$2,050,000 |
| UNICEF | Education, Health, Protection, Shelter and Settlements, WASH | Lac | \$585,000 |
| TOTAL STATE/PRM FUNDING FOR T | HE CHAD RESPONSE | | \$2,635,000 |
| | NIGER | | |
| IPs | Child Protection, Health, WASH | Diffa | \$1,350,000 |
| ICRC | Protection and Assistance to Victims of Conflict | Countrywide | \$6,330,000 |
| IOM | Multi-Sector Assistance, Protection Assistance to IDPs and Returnees | Diffa | \$1,000,000 |
| UNHAS | Logistics Support and Relief Commodities | Countrywide | \$700,000 |
| UNHCR | Protection and Multi-Sector Assistance to IDPs and Refugees | Countrywide | \$13,800,000 |
| UNICEF | Education, Health, Protection, Shelter and Settlements, WASH | Diffa | \$1,710,000 |
| TOTAL STATE/PRM FUNDING FOR THE NIGER RESPONSE | | | \$24,890,000 |
| TOTAL STATE/PRM FUNDING FOR T | HE LAKE CHAD BASIN RESPONSE | | \$71,090,000 |
| | USAID/NIGERIA | | |
| IPs | Education, Health, Nutrition, and ERMS Assistance for IDPs and Host Communities | Adamawa, Borno, Yobe | \$6,182,734 |
| TOTAL USAID/NIGERIA FUNDING FO | | | \$6,182,734 |
| TOTAL LICC LILIMANITARIANI FI | INDING FOR THE LAKE CHAD BASIN | DESPONSE IN EX 2017, 2019 | \$526,680,273 |

¹ Year of funding indicates the date of commitment or obligation, not appropriation, of funds. Funding represents publicly reported amounts as of January 4, 2018.

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.