**WFP News Video**

**Shot: September-October 2022**

**Locations: Baidoa, Dolow, Mogadishu - Somalia**

**TRT: 2:38**

**SHOTLIST:**

**:00-:06**

Aerial shot of camp for Internally Displaced People (IDPs) in Baidoa.

Almost 1.2 million Somalis have been driven from their homes by the drought

and more families are streaming into camps like these each day.

**Shot: 18Oct22**

**Baidoa**

**Somalia**

**:06-:21**

GVs of Baidoa IDP Camp.

Mothers with children queuing at the nutrition point where they are tested for malnutrition.

Baidoa is one of the most drought affected districts in Somalia, with some of the highest malnutrition rates in the country,

where famine is projected between October and December, together with Burkhaba district.

**Shot: 19Sep22**

**Baidoa**

**Somalia**

**:21-:41**

Nuuriya and her son Mohammed arrived at the camp in January, after the drought forced her to leave her home in South West State. On arrival Mohammed was severely malnourished and though he has gained weight thanks to treatment.

**Shot: 19Sep22**

**Baidoa**

**Somalia**

**:41-1:02**

**SOT, Nuuriya Ali Mohammed Nuur, Displaced Mother of 10 (Somali)**

*“I lost ten cows and a donkey to the drought. When I left my home and came to Baidoa it was a long journey. We had to stop several times on the way – we walked all the way to Burkhaba and then we managed to get transportation to Baidoa.”*

**Shot: 12Oct22**

**Baidoa**

**Somalia**

**1:02-1:19**

Mothers and children receive special fortified peanut paste for treatment from WFP.

**Shot: 12Oct22**

**Baidoa**

**Somalia**

**1:19-1:47**

**SOT, Allison Oman, WFP Deputy Director of Nutrition (English)**

*“WFP has massively scaled up our response in Somalia with the support of the international community but the hunger and nutrition crisis is very severe especially in places like Baidoa, where we are still in a desperate race against time to avert looming famine. Unfortunately despite incredible efforts there is still so much to be done. We are only at the beginning of this crisis and I fear the worst is yet to come.”*

**Shot: 01Oct22**

**Mogadishu**

**Somalia**

**1:47-1:57**

On the outskirts of Ladan Camp, there are fresh graves of people who didn’t survive the harsh journey. Adan and Fartun Isaac visit the grave of their baby daughter who died shortly after their arrival.

At the time of filming there were 13 graves, 7 of which were children’s, but the land allocated has room for hundreds more.

**Shot: 19Sep22**

**Dolow**

**Somalia**

**1:57-2:07**

Families on the move with their belongings arriving at Kaharey Camp. Many of the families arriving at the camps in Dolow are coming from regions such as Bakool and Bay which are among the hardest hit by the drought.

**Shot: 21Sep22**

**Dolow**

**Somalia**

**2:07-2:17**

GVs of dead livestock on the roadside outside of Kaharey Camp for Internally Displaced People (IDPs).

**Shot: 21Sep22**

**Dolow**

**Somalia**

**2:17-2:38**

GVs of Ladan Camp, a camp primarily occupied by new arrivals. When families arrive they are allocated a plot of land , where each family draws the base of their tent in the sand before building it with sticks and tarpaulin.

**Shot: 19Sep22**

**Dolow**

**Somalia**

**ENDS**

**WFP Operational Update**

20 October 2022

**WFP REACHES RECORD NUMBERS WITH FOOD AND NUTRITION SUPPORT IN SOMALIA AMID ONGOING FAMINE RISK**

**MOGADISHU –** The United Nations World Food Programme is delivering life-saving food and nutrition assistance to record numbers of people in Somalia, with over 4 million people a month receiving urgent humanitarian support to prevent famine in the face of the region’s worst drought in over 40 years.

The scale-up has helped keep the worst outcomes of Somalia’s hunger crisis at bay so far. But the situation on the ground remains dire, with lives and livelihoods being lost. WFP is racing against time to avert a projected famine and a death toll that could reach the tens or even hundreds of thousands.

Additional information for journalists:

* Over the last six months, WFP has more than doubled the number of people reached with life-saving food and cash assistance from 1.7 million in April to 4.4 million people in August. A further 450,000 children and mothers received nutrition support from WFP in August, as the agency expands both the caseload and number of treatment sites.
* In September, WFP reached almost 4.1 million people with emergency food and cash relief and half a million malnourished children and mothers with malnutrition treatment services.
* WFP is working to continue this expansion, including in hard-to-reach areas, and increase investment in longer-term programming such as malnutrition prevention, which will help to reduce the number of people who need treatment.
* Nutrition prevention activities were almost entirely suspended from the second quarter of 2022 as WFP was forced to prioritize treatment services due to limited funds. The agency has resumed some prevention activities for children and pregnant or breastfeeding women and is working to do more.
* WFP is reaching new rural areas, including in the famine risk districts of Baidoa and Burhakaba, with food assistance and cash transfers. WFP’s mobile money transfers are an efficient way to getting assistance rapidly to people in hard-to-reach areas.
* WFP deployed a new helicopter in Somalia in September to deliver food assistance to hard-to-reach areas and get aid workers to the places they are needed most. The WFP-led Logistics Cluster is also using the helicopter to deliver humanitarian relief on behalf of other UN agencies and NGOs. The helicopter has so far conducted over 30 flights in September and October.
* WFP is the largest humanitarian agency in Somalia, with 12 offices across the country providing coverage in every state.
* WFP’s massive scale-up has largely been made possible thanks to timely support from key donors, particularly in recent months. It is essential that this is maintained. WFP has a funding gap of US$ 412 million across all activities for the next six months to March 2023, including a shortfall of US$ 315 million for life-saving food relief and nutrition assistance.

Photos available [here](https://multimedia.wfp.org/Share/6yu78p3r28713eg7421jk0s3onwf0835)

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