**Shotlist/Info:**

**WFP News Video:**

[**First WFP Trucks Cross Sudan’s Reopened Adre Border With Food For Communities At Risk Of Famine**](https://eur03.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.wfp.org%2Fnews%2Ffirst-wfp-trucks-cross-sudans-reopened-adre-border-food-communities-risk-famine&data=05%7C02%7Cjonathan.dumont%40wfp.org%7Cd78c2764a7dd4a8a6f5108dcc281d041%7C462ad9aed7d94206b87471b1e079776f%7C0%7C0%7C638599109995954256%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=bVvcU1aj7qLMEe%2BTyMiXqpxdWu19F0cXdf5jI1pTL6I%3D&reserved=0)

**Shot: 20/22Aug24**

**Eastern Chad**

**TRT: 1:16**

**:00-:43**

**WFP Trucks on the Move**

Following a 6 month closure, the first WFP trucks, carrying sorghum, pulses, oil and rice destined for 13,000 people at risk of famine in Kereneik, West Darfur, crossed the Adre border on 20Aug24.

**Adre, Chad**

**Shot: 20Aug24**

**:43-:58**

**SOT Sylvain Barral, WFP Chad Spokesperson(English)**

**“These are the first trucks in months to cross from Chad into Sudan at the Adre border post. This is very good news because this corridor is the easiest and the fastest for humanitarian aid to reach populations in critical need in Darfur”**

**Chad/Sudan border**

**Shot: 22Aug24**

**:58-1:16**

**Loading WFP Food onto trucks**

There needs to be a constant flow of food and nutrition assistance through Adre and into Sudan. Across Sudan, WFP is scaling up assistance to 14 areas either in famine or at risk of famine, largely located in Darfur, Kordofan, Khartoum, and Gezira, with the aim to support up to 8.4 million people by the end of the year.

**Ouaddai Region, Chad**

**Shot: 20Aug24**

**ENDS**

**WFP News Release**

**21 August 2024**

[**FIRST WFP TRUCKS CROSS SUDAN’S REOPENED ADRE BORDER WITH FOOD FOR COMMUNITIES AT RISK OF FAMINE**](https://eur03.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.wfp.org%2Fnews%2Ffirst-wfp-trucks-cross-sudans-reopened-adre-border-food-communities-risk-famine&data=05%7C02%7Cjonathan.dumont%40wfp.org%7Ca9d98ed00d274e70320808dcc1f83a85%7C462ad9aed7d94206b87471b1e079776f%7C0%7C0%7C638598519149866339%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=qEX67wdvyDQ9tC5lSJYkpznw%2BdTiwlkDTtE%2Bz%2BM312g%3D&reserved=0)

**ROME – The first WFP food supplies destined for desperate communities in Sudan’s Darfur have crossed the Adre border from Chad, after it was reopened by the Sudanese authorities following a six-month closure.**

**WFP trucks, carrying sorghum, pulses, oil and rice destined for 13,000 people at risk of famine in Kereneik, West Darfur, crossed on Tuesday evening. WFP has food and nutrition supplies for around 500,000 people ready to move swiftly through the newly re-opened route.**

**“The re-opening of the Adre crossing is critical for the effort to prevent famine from spreading across Sudan, and it must now stay in use. I want to acknowledge all parties for taking this vital step to help WFP get lifesaving aid to millions of people in desperate need,” said WFP Executive Director Cindy McCain. “We urgently need to reach every corner of Sudan with food assistance – and this requires humanitarian corridors and all border crossings to be open so aid agencies can bring in supplies every single day. This is the only way to avoid widespread starvation.”**

**The Adre crossing from Chad is the most effective and shortest route to deliver humanitarian assistance into Sudan – and particularly the Darfur region – at the scale and speed required to respond to the huge hunger crisis. From Adre, trucks can cross into Darfur and reach key distribution points on the very same day.**

**Since Adre’s official closure in February, WFP was able to operate two convoys via the Adre crossing – one in March and one in April. But otherwise, WFP has been using the longer route through Chad’s Tine crossing into North Darfur, as well as long, dangerous routes from Port Sudan that cross battle frontlines and through areas controlled by different militia groups, to reach communities in Darfur.**

**There needs to be a constant flow of food and nutrition assistance into Sudan to address alarming levels of hunger. Humanitarian needs are acute across Sudan, and WFP is scaling up food assistance in all 14 areas either in famine or at risk of famine, largely located in Darfur, Kordofan, Khartoum, and Gezira, with the aim to support up to 8.4 million people by the end of the year.**

**#                 #                   #**

**The United Nations World Food Programme is the world’s largest humanitarian organization saving lives in emergencies and using food assistance to build a pathway to peace, stability and prosperity for people recovering from conflict, disasters and the impact of climate change.**

**Follow us on Twitter @wfp\_media @wfp\_sudan**

**For more information please contact (email address:**[**firstname.lastname@wfp.org**](mailto:firstname.lastname@wfp.org)**):**

**Leni Kinzli, WFP/Sudan, Mob.**[**+249 91 277 1269**](tel:+249912771269)**/**[**+254 769 60 2340**](tel:+254769602340)

**Annabel Symington, WFP/ Rome, Mob.**[**+39 342 1884921**](tel:+393421884921) **Steve Taravella, WFP/ Washington, Mob.**[**+1 202 770 5993**](tel:+12027705993)