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FOOD ASSISTANCE FACT SHEET – MALI

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FOOD SECURITY SITUATION

- Ranked 176 out of 187 countries in the 2014 United Nations Development Program Human Development Index, Mali is considered one of the poorest countries in the world. Bordering the Sahara Desert in the north, Mali faces high chronic malnutrition and child mortality rates, low literacy and education levels, recurrent drought, inadequate social and public services, and poor public infrastructure.
- Civil conflict in 2012-2014 exacerbated these difficult living conditions, especially in the north, and spurred massive displacement. While 2014 and 2015 saw the return of IDPs back to the north, continued instability has led to a slow return of access to public services. According to UNHCR, there are still approximately 80,000 internally displaced persons in Mali.



MAP: CIA World Factbook

FOOD ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

- The Office of Food for Peace (FFP) targets food-insecure Malians nationwide through partnerships with the UN World Food Program (WFP), Mercy Corps, Near East Foundation, International Rescue Committee (IRC) and ACTED.
- In response to civil conflict in Mali, FFP partners with WFP to provide emergency food assistance to vulnerable and conflict-affected populations in the north through general food distributions. FFP also supports IRC, Mercy Corps, Near East Foundation, and ACTED to provide cash transfers and food vouchers to food insecure Malians in Mopti, Timbuktu and Gao to improve household access to staple foods and to help build important livelihood assets.
- FFP partners with CARE to implement a five-year, \$45 million development project to improve the food security of more than 300,000 individuals in the Mopti region. Through a consortium of six organizations, the project aims to strengthen food, nutrition and income security among poor and extremely poor households and improve their resilience in the face of future shocks. CARE and its subpartners will implement a variety of activities focusing on health and nutrition, prevention and treatment of malnutrition, water, hygiene and sanitation, livelihood diversification, access to health services, and literacy skills.

FOOD FOR PEACE CONTRIBUTIONS

Total Contributions:

	<u>U.S. Dollars</u>	<u>Metric Tons</u>
Fiscal Year 2015	\$43.3 million	14,056 MT
Fiscal Year 2014	\$35.8 million	18,989 MT
Fiscal Year 2013	\$36.6 million	20,683 MT
Fiscal Year 2012	\$35.3 million	20,467 MT
Fiscal Year 2011	\$10.1 million	2,340 MT

Fiscal Year 2015 Contribution Breakdown:

	<u>U.S. Dollars</u>	<u>Metric Tons</u>
Emergency:		
Title II:	\$21.7 million	9,470 MT
EFSP:	\$12.6 million	4,586 MT
Development:		
Title II:	\$9.0 million	---

Food Security Situation information is provided WFP, UNHCR, and UNICEF
FY 2015 contributions based on funds provided to date