

UNFPA Response in Yemen

MONTHLY SITUATION
REPORT



A displaced mother and her newborn in Ibb Governorate ©UNFPA/YEMEN

FAST FACTS



20.7M

In need of some form of assistance



9.8M

In acute need



14.8M

Lack access to basic health services



11.3M

In need of protection



2.9M

Internally displaced and returnees



2.2M

Women of reproductive age (15-49 yrs)



1.1M

Pregnant women malnourished



2.6M

Women and girls at risk of gender-based violence

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE MONTH

Millions of Yemenis continue to face a triple tragedy from the spectre of **famine**, the world's largest ever single-year cholera outbreak, and a **brutal conflict**. Seventeen million Yemenis do not know if or where they will get their next meal; nearly **7 million** are facing the threat of famine; nearly **16 million** lack access to water or sanitation; and **621,209** suspected cases of cholera have been reported in only the last four months, with the latest figure of 2,167 deaths. Among them are **2.2 million** women and girls of reproductive age whose health is at risk and **1.1 million** malnourished pregnant women.

In August, the **Yemen Humanitarian Response Plan (YHRP)** was revised, seeking **\$2.3 billion** to reach **12 million** people with a range of life-saving and protection services across the country. This figure represents a **13 per cent increase in financial requirements**, which is primarily attributed to requirements of the **Integrated Cholera Response Plan**. Altogether, funding requirements have increased by \$271,127,909, of which \$254,053,700 comes from the Integrated Cholera Integrated Response Plan. As of 15 August, The revised YHRP has received **39% per cent funding** - US\$ 912.2 million out of \$2.3 billion requested. Contributions to humanitarian funding outside the YHRP is at \$ 406.2 million.

UNFPA's response in Yemen has so far reached nearly **1.5 million** people with reproductive health and gender-based violence services.

Eighty midwives were trained during August, across four governorates to strengthen their knowledge and skills for improved quality and timeliness in the provision of maternal healthcare in remote and conflict-affected governorates.

In raising awareness on gender-based violence, **26 theater plays** were conducted across four governorates along with a television series on prevention of gender-based violence.

HIGHLIGHTS OF RESPONSE - AUGUST 2017*

PEOPLE REACHED	NO.
Number of people reached with reproductive health services	90,295
Number of people reached with mobile clinics	47,862
Number of people directly reached with reproductive health kits	41,735
Individuals reached with birth spacing services	1,206,528
Dignity kits distributed	58,541
Women and girls reached with GBV services, counseling, and information	17,109

SERVICES DELIVERED	NO.
Reproductive Health Kits distributed	192
Mobile clinics in operation	10
Health Facilities with Emergency Obstetric Care	133

PERSONNEL TRAINED	NO.
Health personnel trained on Reproductive Health Kits – Minimum Initial Service Package	60



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The devastating impact of cholera on pregnant women



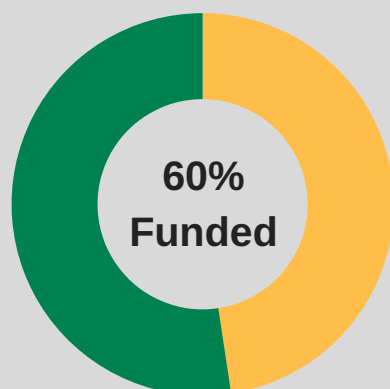
WATCH: "We do not have anything now"
Women and girls in Yemen explain how their lives have been upended by war.

2017 FUNDING STATUS

\$22.1 M
REQUIRED

\$13.2 M
FUNDED

\$8.9 M
FUNDING GAP



KEY CHALLENGES

- Continuing fluctuation in the exchange rate of the Yemeni Riyal against the US Dollar and a cash deficit in the country has made programme and procurement activities more costly.
- Lack of humanitarian access to conflict-affected areas.
- Difficulties in obtaining life-saving medical supplies into Yemen due to air and sea blockades.
- Difficulty in organizing services for reproductive health and gender-based violence in conflict areas due to damaged or non-operating health structures, limited movement of partners and limited transportation of supplies to health facilities.

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*This includes cumulative totals from January to August 2017