

Results achieved by sector – Humanitarian assistance

DFID leads the UK government's response to humanitarian emergencies throughout the world, responding rapidly and decisively to save lives.

The Humanitarian Emergency Response Review (HERR) recommended how the UK could better deliver a response fit to deal with the challenges of the 21st century, based around seven key themes: Anticipation, Resilience, Leadership, Innovation, Accountability, Partnership and Humanitarian space. DFID continues to improve and reinforce the UK response to humanitarian emergencies, in line with the recommendations of the HERR.

In response to increasing humanitarian demand, DFID has increased funding on humanitarian assistance by nearly two-and-a-half times in the last five years (from £484 million in 2009 to £1,119 in 2014). Over this period DFID has responded to 32 crises by, among other things, providing shelter in the aftermath of the earthquake in Nepal, supporting the prevention and treatment of Ebola, caring for refugees from Syria, and providing emergency surgery for the victims of war in Somalia.

DFID commitment

The UK government is committed to helping build resilience to crises, and respond effectively when they occur.

By its nature, humanitarian assistance is reactive to unplanned events; therefore DFID has no specific targets for the amount of humanitarian assistance to be delivered. Instead, DFID focuses on delivering the best possible humanitarian assistance to people in need.

Indicators used to measure progress

There is one humanitarian assistance indicator included in the DFID Results Framework:

- Number of people reached with emergency food assistance through DFID support.

Results achieved

By the end of 2015–16, DFID had achieved the following:

- Reached over 13 million people with emergency food assistance.

In addition:

- The Syria Crisis Response has helped nearly 1.4 million people find access to clean drinking water sources.
- More than 4 million women and young children have been reached by DFID's nutrition programmes in Ethiopia.
- In Sierra Leone, DFID provided medical support, including specialist treatment centres, medical staff and 500 additional hospital beds, to help people confirmed or suspected to have contracted Ebola.

Progress towards DFID results commitments

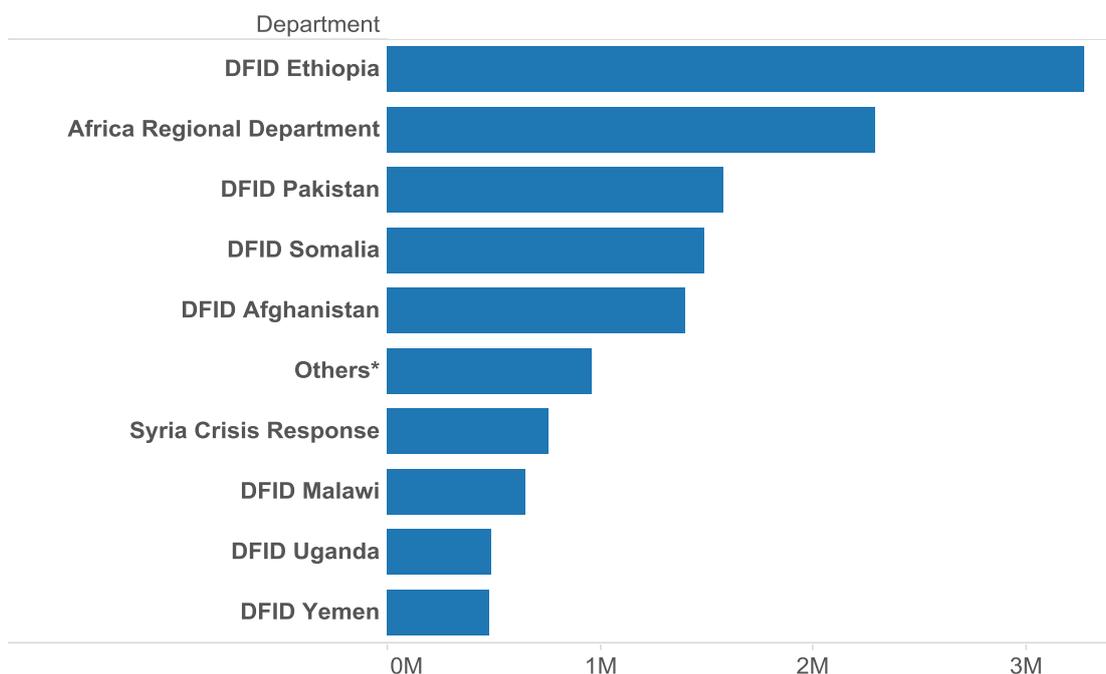
Indicator	Indicator type	Results Commitment	Results achieved up to 2015-16 inclusive*			
			Male	Female	Not identified	Total
Number of people reached with emergency food assistance through DFID support	Cumulative	No specific target	6,043,000	5,684,000	1,712,000	13,439,000

*Numbers may not sum to total due to rounding

Results achieved by country/department

The highest numbers of people have been reached through programmes in Ethiopia (3.3 million), Pakistan (2.6 million), Somalia (1.5 million) and Afghanistan (1.4 million). Programmes running in multiple African countries (Africa Regional) have reached a further 2.3 million people.

Number of people reached with emergency food assistance through DFID support by department (Baseline to 2015)



*Other departments contribute 3% or less of the results each, and include:

DFID Democratic Republic of Congo, DFID Kenya, DFID Nigeria, DFID South Africa, DFID Tanzania, DFID Bangladesh, DFID Palestinian Programme, and Inclusive Societies Department.

Results achieved by multilateral organisations

The following results are delivered by multilateral organisations' humanitarian assistance projects. These indicators were included in the multilateral section of DFID's Results Framework. The results presented here are based on all funding that the multilateral receives, not just funding from DFID or the UK. These results are presented alongside DFID's share of core funding to the multilateral organisations, in order to illustrate that DFID contributes a share of those results. Multilateral abbreviations and results sources can be found in the results technical notes.

Indicator	Multilateral	Latest Results	Reporting period	DFID's contribution as a % of total core funding ¹
Number of people provided with humanitarian assistance	ECHO	121,000,000	2014	15
Number of civilians provided with essential household items	ICRC	3,400,000	2014	25
Number of detainees visited	ICRC	750,000	2014	25
Number of migrants, internally displaced persons, refugees and other vulnerable groups receiving emergency, migration and durable support (e.g shelter)	IOM	15,000,000	2013	7
Number of displaced people (refugees and internally displaced people) receiving protection or assistance	UNHCR	42,900,000	2014	13
Number of children aged 6-59 months affected by severe acute malnutrition (SAM) reached with quality treatment, defined as children who recovered	UNICEF	3,200,000	2015	11

¹The DFID burden share presented here are not suitable to calculate a DFID results attribution of multilateral results. The results presented in this table are achieved through all funding streams that the multilateral receive, not just limited to core funding.