



YEMEN **HUMANITARIAN** **RESPONSE** **SITUATION** **REPORT**



Save the Children

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A young girl in a pink and white patterned shirt and blue jeans sits amidst the rubble of a destroyed building. The background shows concrete walls with large holes and debris scattered on the ground.

GENERAL OVERVIEW

Since mid-March 2015, conflict in Yemen has spread to 21 of Yemen's 22 governorates prompting a large-scale protection crisis and compounding an already dire humanitarian crisis brought on by years of poverty, poor governance, conflict and ongoing instability.

- The total number of people in need of humanitarian assistance is 18.8 million or 70% of the population, including 10.3 million children.
- 7,469 people including 4,125 civilians have now been killed, and over 40,483 injured of whom 11,332 are civilians.
- Conflict has affected the lives of approximately 3 million internally displaced people and returnees including 1.6 million children. 2 million people remain displaced.
- 17.1 million people (62% of population) are food insecure including 7.3 million who are severely food insecure.
- More than 6.2 million children are in need of protection assistance.
- 14.5 million people lack clean water and sanitation, including 8 million children.

- 24.3 million people (90% of the population) lack access to electricity through the public grid.

- More than half of the health facilities assessed in 16 of the 22 assessed governorates in Yemen are closed or partially functioning due to the conflict, leaving over 14.8 million people in need of basic healthcare including 8.1 million children

- As of 31 January 2017, a total of 18,848 suspected cases of Acute Watery Diarrhea/cholera, including 193 confirmed cases and 99 associated deaths have been reported (11 cholera and 88 Acute Watery Diarrhea). From the suspected cases, 6,335 (or %34) are children below 5 years.

- 4.5 million children and pregnant and lactating women are in need of nutrition services to treat or prevent malnutrition. This includes 2.2 million children under the age of five who are acutely malnourished of whom 462,000 children are severely acute malnourished.

- Approx. 2 million of the 7.3 million school-aged children in Yemen do not have access to education. This includes 513,000 IDP children. According to the Education Cluster, as of December 2016, 244 schools are totally damaged, 1,224 partially damaged, 144 are currently hosting IDPs and 25 are currently occupied by armed group, while 612 schools have been vacated from IDPs and 8 from armed groups. At least 2,257 schools have been affected by the ongoing conflict.

Recent Context Developments

Peace Process:

The Peace Process remains stalled with all parties to the conflict prioritising military objectives over a return to the negotiating table, the best way to address the deteriorating humanitarian situation and prevent famine. The main provisions in the UN sponsored roadmap to peace remain unacceptable to all parties and in the absence of meaningful and concerted efforts by the international community to put pressure on the parties to the conflict to find a negotiated peace, the outlook remains bleak.

Displacement rise in the western districts of Taizz governorate:

Up to 50,000 Yemeni civilians have fled their homes as a consequence of escalating conflict in the Red Sea districts of Al Mokha and Dhubab in Taizz governorate.

The economic situation and [non] payment of salaries

The economic situation remains a pressing concern and is exacerbating the already dire humanitarian crisis across the country. Public sector salaries have, for the most part, still not been paid since August 2016.

Impact on Children

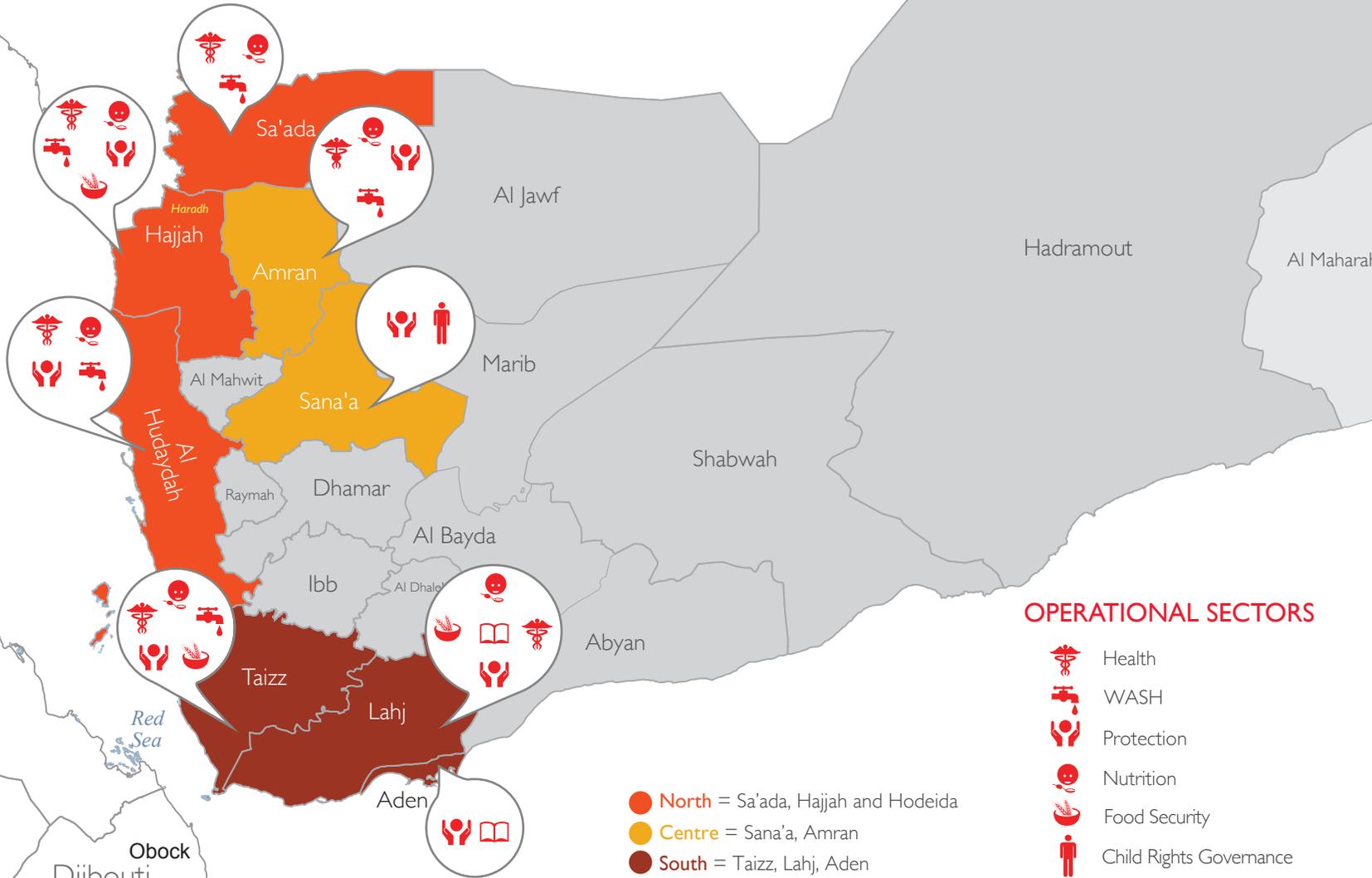
The ongoing conflict has had a devastating impact on child protection. According to UNICEF's latest Monitoring and Reporting Mechanism (MRM) figures, 1,400 children have been killed and 2,140 wounded since the start of the conflict. There were also over 1,210 verified cases of child recruitment, resulting in children forced into more active roles in combat and manning checkpoints, including on front lines. Additionally, 209 cases of abduction and arbitrary detention have been verified. Sadly, these verified cases are just considered to be the "tip of the iceberg".

YHRP 2017 Funding

The 2017 Yemen Humanitarian Response Plan was launched in Geneva on 8th February 2017. It aims to help 12 million people most in need and is appealing for 2.1\$ billion USD (a %30 increase compared to the 2016 appeal which was just %60 funded).

Since March 2015, conflict has spread to 21 of Yemen's governorates, prompting a large scale protection crisis and aggravating an already severe humanitarian situation brought by years of poverty, poor governance and instability. Today, 18.8 million Yemenis, or 70 per cent of the population, are in need of some form of humanitarian assistance. This includes 10.4 million children.

Every day, the death and injury toll continues to rise, displacement increases, communicable diseases such as cholera spreads, half of the population lacks access to basic healthcare and water and sanitation services, and malnutrition rates grow. One child under the age of five is dying every ten minutes from totally preventable diseases such as malnutrition, diarrhoea and respiratory tract infections.



	People in need of humanitarian assistance* including ~ 10.4 million children	18.8 m
	Children in need of protection assistance*	6.2 m
	Children out of school*	2 m
	Food insecure people	17.1 m
	People lacking basic health care services* including ~ 8.1 million children	14.8 m
	People in need of water, sanitation and hygiene support* including ~ 8 million children	14.5 m
	People that have been internally displaced** including ~ 1.6 million children	3 m

* UNOCHA Yemen HNO 2017
** Protection Cluster Yemen, TFPM, 12th Report

OPERATIONAL SECTORS

-  Health
-  WASH
-  Protection
-  Nutrition
-  Food Security
-  Child Rights Governance
-  Education

Health

- We continued supporting 60 fixed health facilities and eight mobile health and nutrition teams in all areas of Yemen.
- 20,170 people (including 11,510 children) were consulted and treated. Since May 2015, 445,816 including over 234,000 children, have been consulted and treated.
- 3,584 women were reached by reproductive health services during January and over 86,000 since May 2015.

Nutrition

- During January, 2,616 children received nutrition services, including 691 children admitted for Severe Acute Malnutrition (SAM) treatment and 1,925 for Moderate Acute Malnutrition (MAM) treatment.

Since May 2015, 41,601 children under five have been treated for Malnutrition (including SAM and MAM).

Child Protection

- During January, 959 new children were registered to participate in Child Friendly Space (CFS's) activities. Since May 2015, 47,841 children have participated in our CFS.
- 280 children were registered for child protection case management, bringing the total to 4,379 children since May 2015.

Food Security & Livelihoods

- 11,924 Households received food baskets or cash transfers, reaching 74,982 people during January.

Since May 2015, we have reached 826,313 people with our FSL interventions.

Water Sanitation & Hygiene

- 36,059 people, including 21,273 children, participated in WASH awareness sessions during January.
- Nearly 500,000 individuals have participated in WASH awareness sessions since May 2015.
- 1,339 water storage tanks and water filters were distributed during January.

Education

- 2,894 people, including 1,577 children have been reached through Mine Risk Education awareness during January, bringing the total to 8,197 people, including 5,385 children since May 2015.

Key beneficiary statistics



**Number of
beneficiaries
reached in
January 2017**

**Number of
beneficiaries
reached since
May 2015**

Children

82,330

805,426

All beneficiaries

145,489

1,418,150

Samia*, 25, Doctor's Assistant at Al Sabeen Hospital, Sana'a
Save the children continued supporting 60 fixed health facilities and eight mobile
health and nutrition teams in Yemen including Al Sabeen Hospital in Sana'a

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