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Saving Lives,  
Securing Futures:

**TOGETHER FOR CHILDREN  
IN AFGHANISTAN**

August 2022

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**FACTSHEET**  
UNICEF Afghanistan

# GENERAL



Total Population:

**41.7** million<sup>i</sup>

**54%** children



People in need:

**24.4** million<sup>ii</sup>

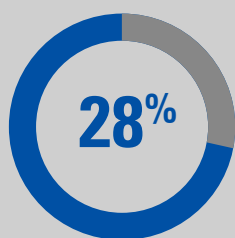
**3 out of 5** Afghans



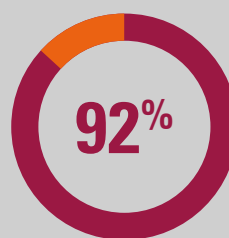
Children in need:

**12.9** million<sup>iii</sup>

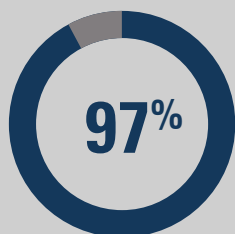
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Afghan children



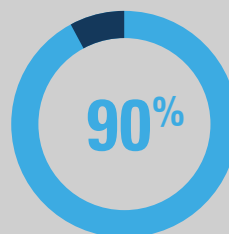
Average price increase in standard food basket compared to last year. Some staples (e.g. wheat) increased by 50%.<sup>vi</sup>



Of Afghans don't have access to sufficient quantity of affordable, nutritious food<sup>v</sup>.



Of Afghans are living in poverty.<sup>iv</sup>



Of household incomes are spent on food.<sup>vii</sup>

# SITUATION OF CHILDREN

## GRAVE VIOLATIONS AGAINST CHILDREN (JAN – JUNE 2022)<sup>viii</sup>.



**141**  
Children killed



**318**  
Children maimed



**11**  
Attacks on hospitals



**56**  
Attacks on schools

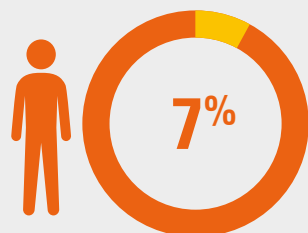
## EXTREME SURVIVAL MEASURES

Families are being crushed by crippling poverty, fear and hunger, and this is exacerbating longstanding and serious child protection issues.

### Child Marriage<sup>ix</sup>:

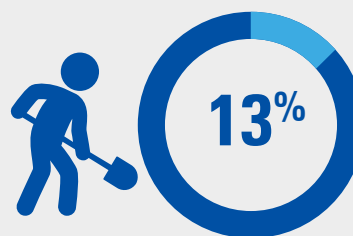


of Afghan girls are married before the age of 18.



of boys were married before the age of 18.

### Child Labour<sup>x</sup>:



of households have at least one child between 6 - 17 years old working in difficult conditions.



# EDUCATION



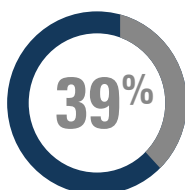
**13** million<sup>xi</sup>.  
School aged children  
in Afghanistan.



**4.2** million children  
are out of school.



**8.8** million children  
approximately in public  
(formal) education.



**3.4** million<sup>xii</sup>  
are girls.

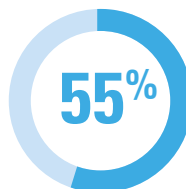


Afghanistan is the only country  
in the world where girls are  
banned from attending secondary  
school<sup>xvi</sup>.



Children in Community-Based  
Education (CBE):

**283,000** →  
children



are girls  
(275,000)



**9,887**  
community-based  
education classes<sup>xvii</sup>.

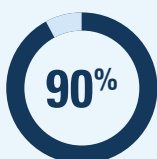
# NUTRITION, HEALTH AND POLIO



**3.3** million  
children affected by  
acute malnutrition



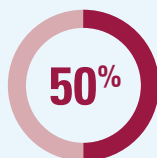
**1** million children are  
at risk of severe acute  
malnutrition (SAM)<sup>xx</sup>.



increase in admission of  
SAM cases in June 2022  
compared to June 2021<sup>xxi</sup>.



of under-5 SAM new  
admissions are girls and  
42% are boys<sup>xxii</sup>.



increase in malnutrition amongst pregnant and lactating  
mothers, compared to June last year.<sup>xxiii</sup>



**58,000** cases of measles  
reported between  
January and July 2022<sup>xix</sup>.



Afghanistan is still a polio endemic  
country. As of July 2022, one case  
of wild polio virus (WPV1) has been  
reported<sup>xxiv</sup>.

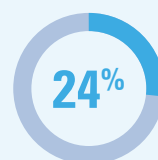


**5** national campaigns<sup>xxv</sup>.  
National Polio Vaccination campaigns  
implemented in 2022:

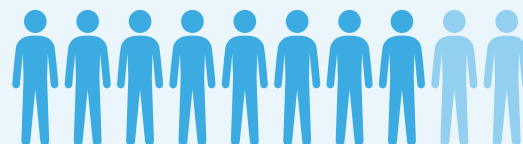


**5.1** million people have been fully  
vaccinated against  
COVID-19 (7.9 million  
doses administered)<sup>xxvi</sup>.

## Water, Sanitation and Hygiene Promotion



increase in cases  
of acute watery  
diarrhoea compared to  
June 2021<sup>xxvii</sup>.



Around 8 in 10 Afghans are  
drinking bacteriologically  
contaminated water<sup>xxviii</sup>.

# UNICEF RESPONSE HIGHLIGHTS

UNICEF provided humanitarian assistance between August 2021 and July 2022.



457,756

Children provided with treatment for severe acute malnutrition



2,472,152

Children vaccinated against measles



3,808,521

People provided with access to safe water



997,556

Children and caregivers provided with mental health psychosocial support



5,362,761

Children supported with access to education



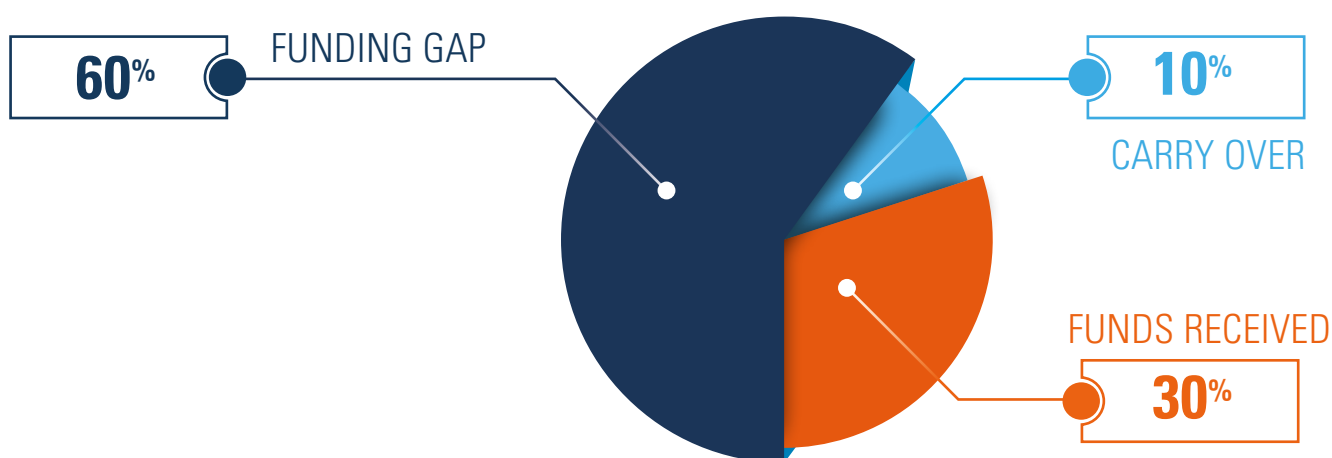
135,516

Households provided with humanitarian cash transfers

# UNICEF FUNDING

AS OF 31 JULY 2022

| Appeal Sector                      | 2022 HAC Requirements (US\$) | Funds available                         |   | 2022 Funding Gap     |               |
|------------------------------------|------------------------------|---|---|----------------------|---------------|
|                                    |                              | Humanitarian resources received in 2022 | Resources available from 2021 (carry -over) | \$                   | %             |
| Nutrition                          | 204,095,521                  | 42,717,077                              | 16,415,409                                  | 144,963,035          | 71.03%        |
| Health                             | 334,457,872                  | 261,882,211                             | 102,985,464                                 | -30,409,803          | -9.09%        |
| WASH                               | 768,889,756                  | 45,304,087                              | 20,324,488                                  | 703,261,181          | 91.46%        |
| Child protection, GBViE and PSEA   | 71,920,805                   | 16,323,249                              | 8,921,048                                   | 46,676,508           | 64.90%        |
| Education                          | 440,853,967                  | 204,850,544                             | 27,879,531                                  | 208,123,892          | 47.21%        |
| Social Protection/HCT              | 208,504,821                  | 12,486,617                              | 21,796,912                                  | 174,221,292          | 83.56%        |
| Adolescents/ Youth/Gender          | 3,853,594                    | 2,387,021                               | 991,150                                     | 475,423              | 12.34%        |
| Cross-sectoral (SBC, RCCE and AAP) | 6,648,374                    | 13,210,180                              | 991,150                                     | -12,058,503          | -181.38%      |
| Program Management Unit            | 8,500,000                    | 10,449,251                              | 1,596,478                                   | -3,545,729           | -41.71%       |
| <b>Total</b>                       | <b>2,047,724,710</b>         | <b>609,610,236</b>                      | <b>206,407,177</b>                          | <b>1,231,707,297</b> | <b>60.15%</b> |



To date, UNICEF received **only 40 per cent** of its total funding requirements for 2022. To continue responding to the needs of children and their families in Afghanistan, UNICEF urgently needs US\$ 1.2 Billion.

**UNICEF Afghanistan** thanks all the partners and donor agencies, funds and governments who have contributed to uplifting the lives of children and mothers in Afghanistan.

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