

UNFPA Response in Yemen

MONTHLY SITUATION REPORT



UNFPA supported midwife at work in a health facility in Al Hudaydah ©UNFPA YEMEN

FAST FACTS



22.2M
In need of some form of assistance



11.3M
In acute need



16.4M
Lack access to basic health services



12.9M
In need of protection



3.0M
Internally displaced and returnees



3.25M
Women of reproductive age (15-49 yrs)



1.1M
Pregnant women malnourished



3.0M
Women and girls at risk of gender-based violence

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE MONTH

A military operation to capture the port and city of **Al Hudaydah** was launched on 13 June 2018 with heavy aerial bombing and naval shelling targeting the port itself and parts of the city.

The UN and its partners estimate that as many as **600,000 civilians are currently living in and around Hudaydah**. In the event of military escalation or siege of the city, the lives of an estimated 250,000 civilians could be at stake. Among these are some **62,500 women of reproductive age**, of whom approximately 6,263 would be pregnant and in need of delivery services, including emergency obstetric care services. An estimated 5,200 families have fled the fighting since 1 June 2018.

A **Rapid Response Mechanism** has been established to accelerate the humanitarian response for those newly displaced within 72 hours as the first line response. **UNFPA is among the three UN agencies (UNICEF and WFP) leading the rapid response**. Some 20,000 rapid response dignity kits (locally termed 'transit kits') were prepositioned by UNFPA for distribution within the first two days of activation of the rapid response mechanism. An **online tracking system** has also been developed to track the distribution of these kits on a daily basis.

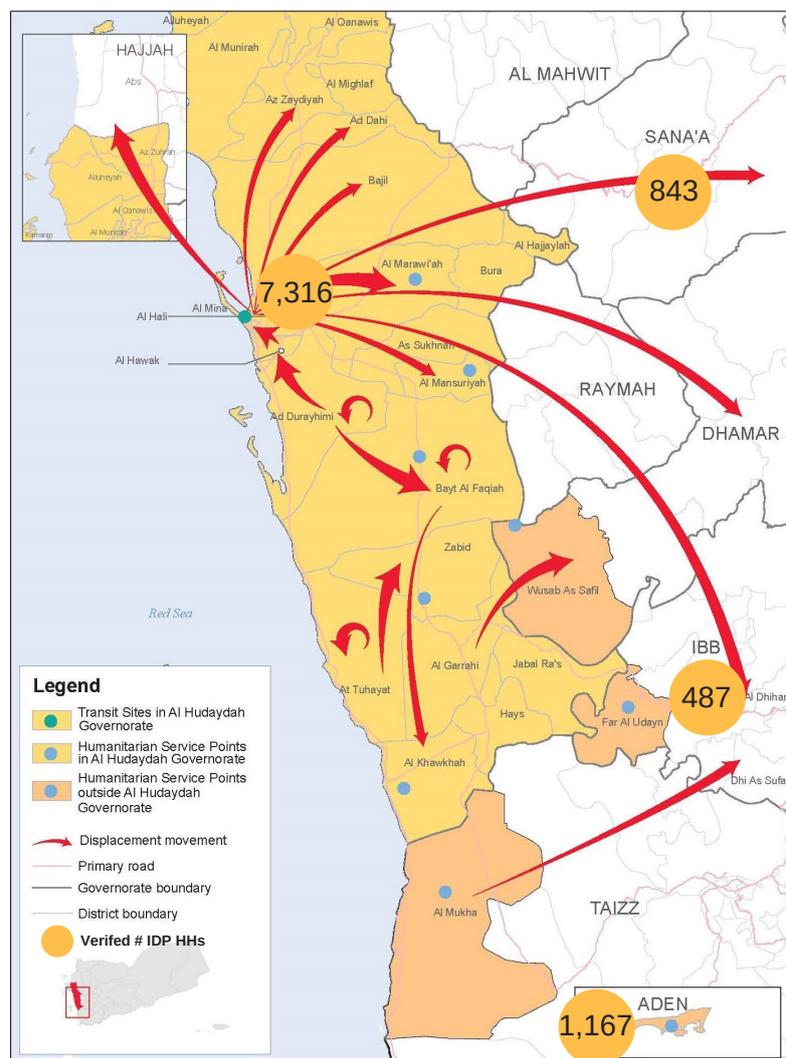
UNFPA is providing a range of reproductive and gender-based violence services and supplies at services delivery points in Hudaydah, Ibb, Aden and Sana'a. Support includes, emergency reproductive health kits positioned at hospitals to assist pregnant women and emergency deliveries among those being evacuated; distribution of family kits, mama kits and male and female dignity kits; teams providing psychological, legal and case referrals at humanitarian service points, and positioning of midwives and gynecologists across five districts in Al Hudaydah Governorate.

UNFPA RESPONSE IN AL HUDAYDAH

As part of the Rapid Response Mechanism, UNFPA provides assistance at the first line of response through Humanitarian Service Points and transit centres by way of dignity kits and through a range of reproductive health and gender-based violence services. Services and supplies provided at humanitarian hubs in Al Hudaydah, Ibb and Aden are detailed below:

AL HUDAYDAH HUB

- 1,200 **dignity kits** provided to displaced persons in transit centres and humanitarian service points with 5 distribution teams on site.
- 54 **reproductive health kits** provided to 13 health facilities across the governorate for basic and comprehensive emergency obstetric care services.
- Each health facility across 5 districts in Al Hudaydah supported with a **gynecologist and two midwives**.
- **Twenty midwives and medical service providers** from health facilities within the governorate trained on reproductive health Minimum Initial Service Package.
- **Five emergency teams** trained and currently handling **GBV case management**, including provision of multi-sectoral GBV services.
- **Community committee for GBV prevention and advocacy** formed comprising of twelve members.
- **Four men-to-men networks** across four districts formed in raising awareness on GBV issues and for referral of GBV cases to relevant services.
- Toll free **hotline services** available to provide immediate counselling for GBV survivors.



Al Hudaydah displacement overview as of 30 June 2018
Source: OCHA

ADEN HUB

- **760 dignity kits** distributed as part of the Rapid Response for those displaced from Al Hudaydah
- Health Facilities in Al Khawkhah and Al Mokha equipped with emergency **reproductive health kits** to serve emergency maternal health needs.
- **Clean delivery kits** provided to health facilities to assist people fleeing Al Hudaydah through the south.

IBB HUB

- **500 dignity kits distributed** to affected women and girls in Ibb and Taizz with another 3,000 kits prepositioned.
- **Case management teams and community networks** established to address gender-based violence and to improve information sharing on available services.

PEOPLE REACHED	NO.
Number of people reached with reproductive health kits	165,755
Reproductive health kits distributed	309
Mobile clinics in operation	20
Number of people reached through mobile clinics	21,016
Individuals reached with Family Planning services	50,535
Dignity kits distributed	11,399
Family kits distributed	2,359
Number of GBV survivors reached with services	8,595
Number of service providers trained on GBV case management	438
Number of safe spaces supported	4

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2018 FUNDING STATUS

\$44.5 M

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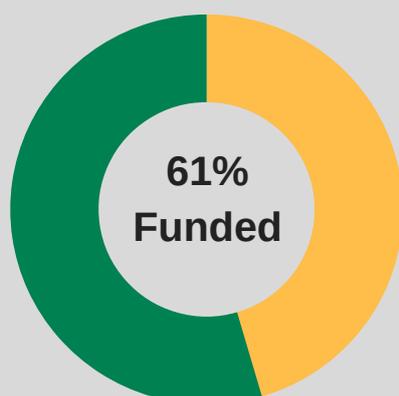
\$27.1 M

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17.3M

FUNDING

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KEY CHALLENGES

- Lack of humanitarian access to conflict-affected areas,
- Lack of health workers in severely conflict-affected areas.
- Difficulties in obtaining life-saving medical supplies into Yemen due to air and sea blockades
- Denial of visas for humanitarian workers.
- 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.
- Limited transportation of supplies to health facilities.
- Increasing difficulties for implementing partners to obtain clearances to operate in some conflict-affected areas.

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