



## FOOD FOR PEACE FACT SHEET

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### Food Security Situation \*

• Algeria has been hosting Western Saharan refugees since 1975 in four camps located 40 to 180 kilometers southwest of Tindouf, Algeria. Since 1986, WFP has provided basic food assistance to the most vulnerable refugees.

• Opportunities for self-reliance in the harsh, isolated desert environment where the camps are located are extremely limited, forcing the refugees to rely on international humanitarian assistance for their survival. According to UNHCR, in the absence of a political solution for Western Sahara, the refugees will remain vulnerable and highly food insecure.

• As the refugees are suffering from high rates of malnutrition and anemia, the WFP program includes supplementary food rations for pregnant and lactating women and children under five.



Map: CIA World Factbook

### Total Food for Peace Contributions

Fiscal Year 2011	\$7.2 million	7,140 MT
Fiscal Year 2010	\$6.2 million	6,550 MT
Fiscal Year 2009	\$6.9 million	6,470 MT
Fiscal Year 2008	\$6.8 million	5,940 MT

### Food for Peace Contribution Breakdown

Partners	FY11		FY10	
	Emergency		Emergency	
	USD in millions	metric tons	USD in millions	metric tons
WFP*	\$7.2	7,140	\$6.2	6,550

### Food for Peace Program Details

- Awardees:** World Food Program
- Targeted Beneficiaries:** 90,000 food-insecure Western Saharan refugees
- Current Projects:** Basic food needs; livelihood support
- Project Locations:** Refugee camps in the desert near Tindouf, western Algeria

\*FY: fiscal year; MT: metric tons; USD: United States Dollar; WFP: World Food Program; UNHCR: UN Refugee Agency.

\*Food Security Situation information is provided by the World Food Programme and UNHCR, December 2010.