Yemen WASH Needs Tracking System (WANTS)
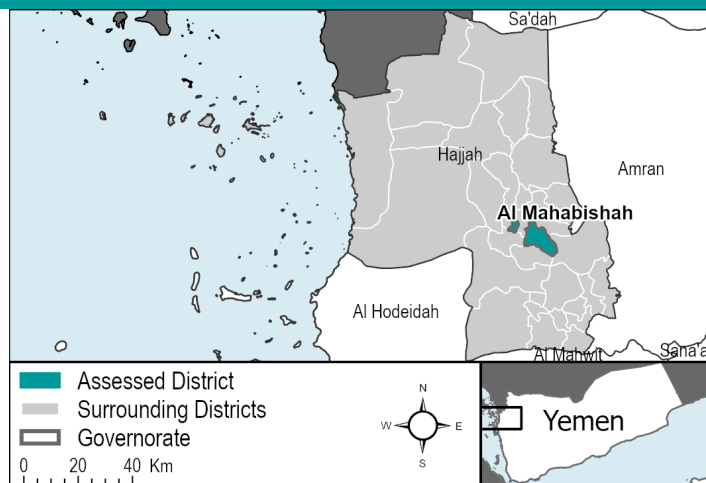
Al Mahabishah District, Hajjah Governorate

The Yemen WASH Cluster launched the WASH Needs Tracking System (WANTS) with the support of REACH to provide high quality WASH needs data and inform more effective WASH programming and planning. The WANTS comprises a set of harmonized monitoring tools which, through partner data collection, provide updated information and analysis on WASH access and needs throughout Yemen.

The cholera household interview tool are household-level WANTS tool used in cholera priority districts[1]. The findings below are based on 26 household interviews conducted across 25 communities in Al Mahabishah district, Hajjah governorate. Data was collected in October 2022 by RMENA for Human Relief & Development. The type of assessed localities were peri-urban and rural areas. These findings should be interpreted as indicative of the WASH needs in Al Mahabishah district.

Legend:
- Assessed District
- Surrounding Districts
- Governorate

0   20   40 Km

Yemen

Demographics[2]

Total population in district	88,050
Total internally displaced people (IDP) in district	6,008
Proportion of the population living with a disability	15%

Water

Proportion of households who reported **travelling >30min** to fetch water	13/26
Proportion of households who reported **having enough water** for drinking, cooking, bathing and washing in the 30 days prior to data collection	2/26
Proportion of households who reported **treating their drinking water**	24/26

Proportion of households reported using each type of main drinking water source in the 30 days prior to data collection:

Water Trucking (Unimproved)	18/26
Unprotected spring (Unimproved)	4/26
Piped water into compound (Improved)	1/26
Surface water (river, dam, lake, pond, stream, canal) (Unimproved)	1/26
Unprotected rainwater tank (Unimproved)	1/26
Unprotected well (Unimproved)	1/26

25/26 of households were found to rely on **unimproved water sources[3]** in the 30 days prior to data collection.

24/26 of households reported having issues related to the smell, taste and/or appearance of their water in the 30 days prior to data collection. The following issues were reported:[4]

Bad taste	22/24
Bad appearance	15/24

Health

2020 Cholera Severity Score[5]	1
Global Acute Malnutrition (GAM) prevalence rate[6]	12%

Hygiene

1/26 of the households reported having **soap available** at place for handwashing

Proportion of households reported using each type of main handwashing device in the 30 days prior to data collection:

Simple basin/bucket/pouring device, with no taps	10/26
No device	10/26
Sink with tap water	3/26
Buckets with taps	2/26
Tippy tap	1/26

26/26 of households reported having **issues accessing soap** in the 30 days prior to data collection. Of the households that reported issues, the following issues were reported:

Soap is too expensive	26/26

Sanitation

Proportion of households reported using each type of main sanitation facility in the 30 days prior to data collection:

Open hole (Unimproved)	20/26
Flush or pour/flush toilet (Improved)	3/26
Bucket toilet (Unimproved)	2/26
Open defecation (Unimproved)	1/26

18/26 of households reported **sharing their sanitation facility** with at least one other family in the 30 days prior to data collection.

1) Districts prioritized by the Yemen WASH Cluster for cholera intervention due to cholera incidence and clustering of cases, including high and/or sudden increases in cases. 2) All demographic information is based on UNOCHA 2022 Yemen Population projections. 3) Improved drinking water source is as a source that, by nature of its construction, adequately protects the water from outside contamination, in particular from faecal matter. 4) Respondents could select more than one answer, results do not add up to 100%. 5) Cholera severity scores based on Suspected Cholera Incidence Rate per 10,000 people. Reported by WHO for 2021 Humanitarian Needs Overview. Cholera Severity score is on a scale of 1 to 5 with 5 being the most severe. 6) Combined GAM prevalence, % children 6-59 months with MUAC 125mm or less and/or WFH Z-score -2 or less. Based on Yemen Nutrition Cluster Achievements Analysis 2020-2022.