

Findings Factsheet: Food Security

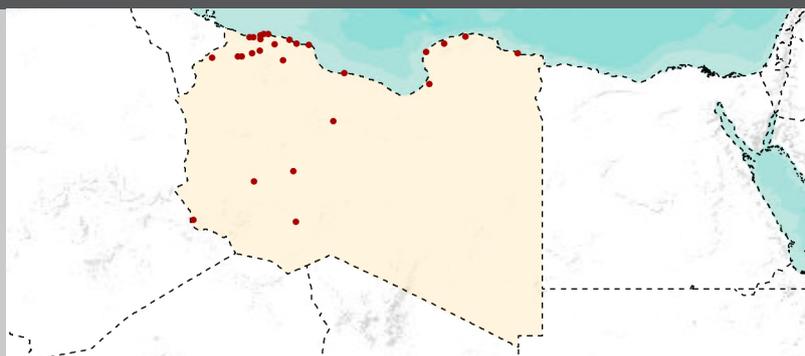
Libya REACH Multi-Sector Needs Assessment, June 2016



This factsheet is one of a series of sector specific factsheets presenting key indicators on the humanitarian situation in Libya at a glance.

Findings are based on primary data collected in June 2016 from People with Knowledge (PwK) across Libya, as part of a multi-sector needs assessment (MSNA). Due to a difference in coverage, comparisons with findings from the previous MSNA in February 2015 are not possible.

Data was collected from 550 PwK from 27 municipalities between 12 and 30 June 2015. Due to the purposive selection of PwK, data should only be considered as indicative of the overall situation in assessed areas.



Food sources

Common reported methods for obtaining food in the municipality by PwK¹:

Purchased	92%
Received from others	36%
Food distributions	43%
Own production	31%
Bartering	9%

Problems with food access

Most common problems with food access in their municipality reported by PwK¹:

Some food items too expensive	83%
Lack of resources to buy food	54%
Lack of availability of cooking fuel	40%
Some food items not available	30%
Decreased local food production	19%

Access to subsidised food

14%

of PwK reported that subsidised food is available in their municipality.

Price control

4%

of PwK reported price controls in their municipality in the previous month.

Food assistance

% of PwK reporting estimated proportions of communities which have received food assistance:

	Food items		Food / cash vouchers		Food utensils	
	Host ²	IDP	Host	IDP	Host	IDP
None	31%	7%	35%	17%	37%	19%
1-25%	24%	29%	22%	36%	19%	34%
26-50%	11%	24%	9%	16%	7%	14%
51-75%	5%	22%	2%	8%	4%	12%
76-100%	0%	2%	0%	1%	0%	1%
Don't know	28%	15%	31%	21%	32%	18%

Coping strategies

Top three coping strategies reported by PwK in their municipality in the last month:

1. Spending savings
2. Buying food on credit
3. Selling assets or goods

Constraints for traders

Top three constraints for traders supplying markets:

1. Currency exchange rate
2. Lack of cash availability
3. Lack of access to credit

¹ PwK could choose more than one answer

² This refers to Host Communities and returnees.