

Humanitarian funding analysis: Cameroon refugee influx



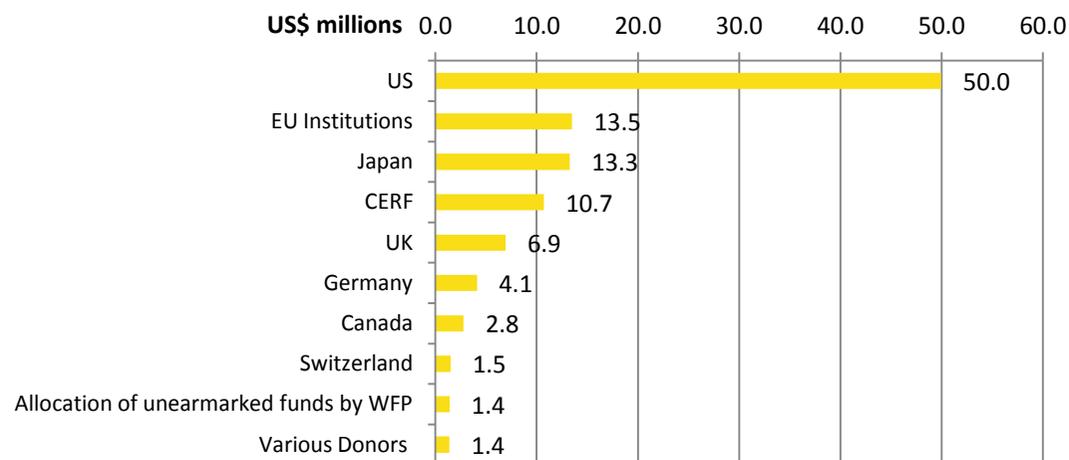
1. Key points

- According to the UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA)'s Financial Tracking Service (FTS), donors have committed/contributed **US\$109.2 million** of humanitarian assistance to Cameroon so far in 2015. The United States (US) is the top donor, contributing/committing US\$50 million to the crisis.
- The UN-coordinated Strategic Response Plan (SRP) for Cameroon requests **US\$264 million** from donors to respond to the crisis. It is currently **31% funded** at **US\$82.4 million**; **US\$1 million remains in uncommitted pledges** and a further **US\$26.8 million** has been given outside the appeal.
- In 2015, Cameroon has received at least **US\$86.7 million** for refugees from neighbouring countries, of which at least US\$20 million is for refugees residing in its northern states.

2. Recent humanitarian funding to Cameroon

Donors have committed or contributed **US\$109.2 million of humanitarian funding to Cameroon** since the beginning of the year. US\$1.0 million remains in uncommitted pledges from Japan.

Figure 1: Top 10 humanitarian donors to Cameroon, 2015



Source: UN OCHA FTS. Data downloaded 31 May 2015.

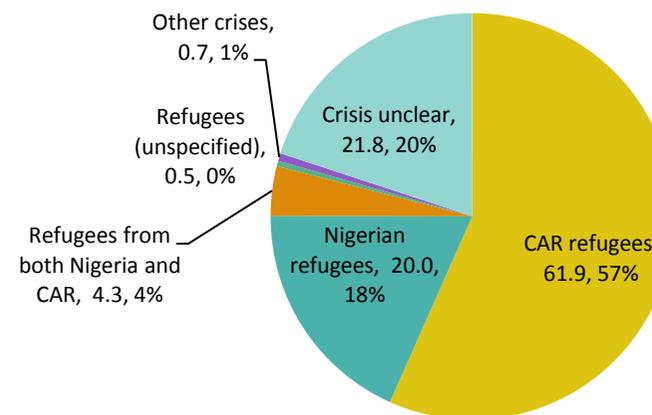
Note: US: United States. EU: European Union. UK: United Kingdom. CERF: Central Emergency Response Fund. Various donors = donors unspecified.

The **US** is the largest donor to Cameroon, **committing/contributing US\$50 million** so far this year, followed by the **EU Institutions: ECHO and EC (US\$13.5 million)** and **Japan (US\$13.3 million)**. The top five donors have contributed 86% of all funding to the crisis; the US alone has contributed almost half (46%) of total humanitarian funding to Cameroon in 2015.

3. Recent funding to the northern states

In March 2015, [UNHCR](#) estimated that Cameroon is hosting more than 74,000 Nigerian refugees and more than 244,000 refugees from the Central African Republic (CAR). In 2015, Cameroon has received at least US\$86.7 million in humanitarian assistance to support refugees from neighbouring countries. Of this amount, US\$20 million (18%) is for humanitarian assistance to refugees from Nigeria, and US\$4.3m (4%) is for support to refugees from both Nigeria and CAR.

Figure 2: Humanitarian assistance to Cameroon by crisis category, 2015



Source: Development Initiatives based on UN OCHA FTS data. Data downloaded 31 May 2015

Note: Due to reporting practices of some agencies, detailed breakdown may include some double counting, as balancing entries are not included in the analysis.

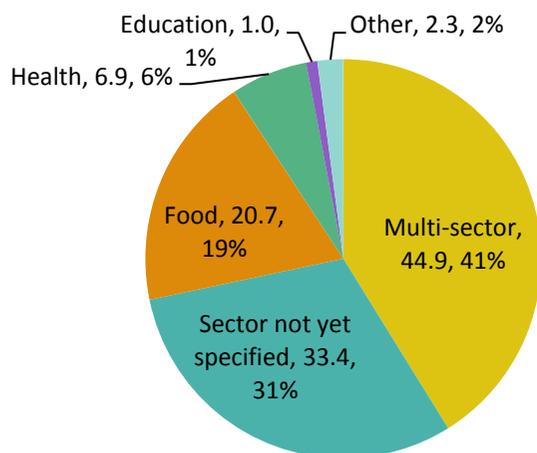
4. Appeals and response plans

The UN-coordinated [SRP for Cameroon](#) requests **US\$264 million** from donors to respond to humanitarian needs in the country. It is currently **31% funded at US\$82.4 million**. Once committed, outstanding pledges to the appeal of US\$1 million would bring the proportion funded up to 32%. **US\$26.8 million** has been committed or contributed outside of the appeal.

5. Funding to sectors

The **largest proportion of funding to Cameroon in 2015 was allocated to ‘multi-sector’ (41%), followed by sector not yet specified (31%) and food (19%)**. ‘Multi-sector’ is predominantly used for multi-sector assistance to refugees.

Figure 3: Humanitarian funding to Cameroon by sector, 2015



Source: UN OCHA FTS. Data downloaded 31 May 2015.

Note: Other includes Agriculture, Shelter and Non Food Items, WASH, Protection/Human rights/Rule of Law, Coordination and support services

6. Pooled funding as part of the response

i. Central Emergency Response Fund (CERF)

Cameroon is the tenth largest CERF recipient in 2015, with US\$7.1 million allocated so far – 4% of global CERF allocations this year. All of the allocations are specifically for refugee/internally displaced persons response, and **95% of CERF funding (US\$6.7 million) targets those based in the northern states.**

Of the US\$7.1 million of CERF allocations to Cameroon in 2015, **US\$3.2 million is for food projects** implemented by the World Food Programme.

All of Cameroon’s CERF allocations in 2015 have been approved under the rapid response window.

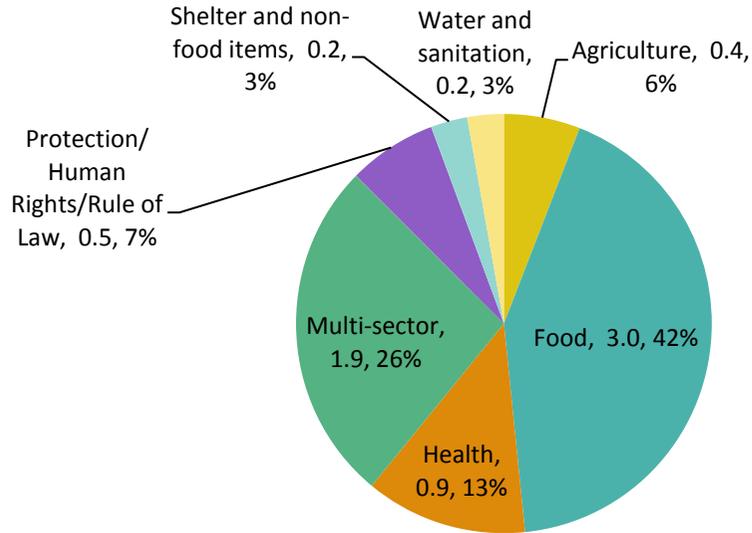
US\$3.6 million of CERF funding allocated between 19 and 31 December 2014 has been assigned to the 2015 SRP for Cameroon. Of this, US\$3.0 million was given to UNICEF and is described as “Project not yet specified”. The remaining US\$600,000 was given to WFP for “Food and nutritional support to CAR refugees and vulnerable population of East and Adamaoua affected by the ongoing crisis in Central African Republic and its regional impact”.

In 2014 Cameroon received total CERF funding of US\$18.3 million – 4% of global CERF allocations that year, making it the ninth largest recipient.

There are no country-based pooled funds for Cameroon.

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Figure 4: CERF allocations to Cameroon by sector, 2015 (US\$ millions)

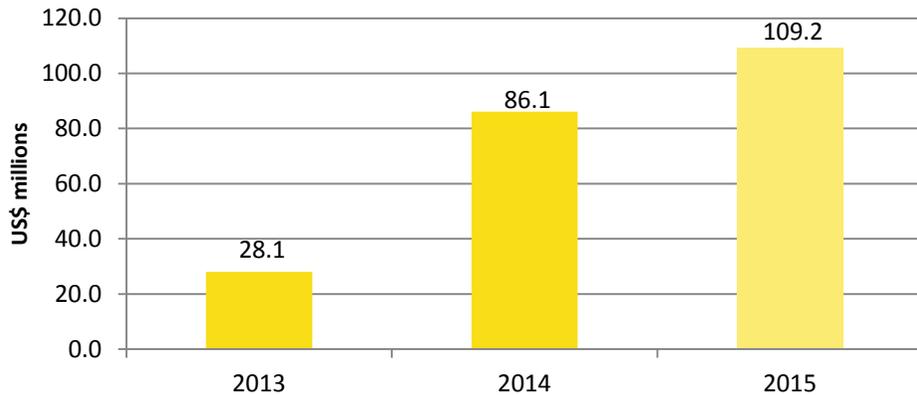


Source: Development Initiatives based on UN CERF data. Data downloaded 1 June 2015.

7. Humanitarian funding trends to Cameroon (historic)

Total humanitarian assistance to Cameroon has increased almost four times since 2013, when international donors provided US\$28.1 million.

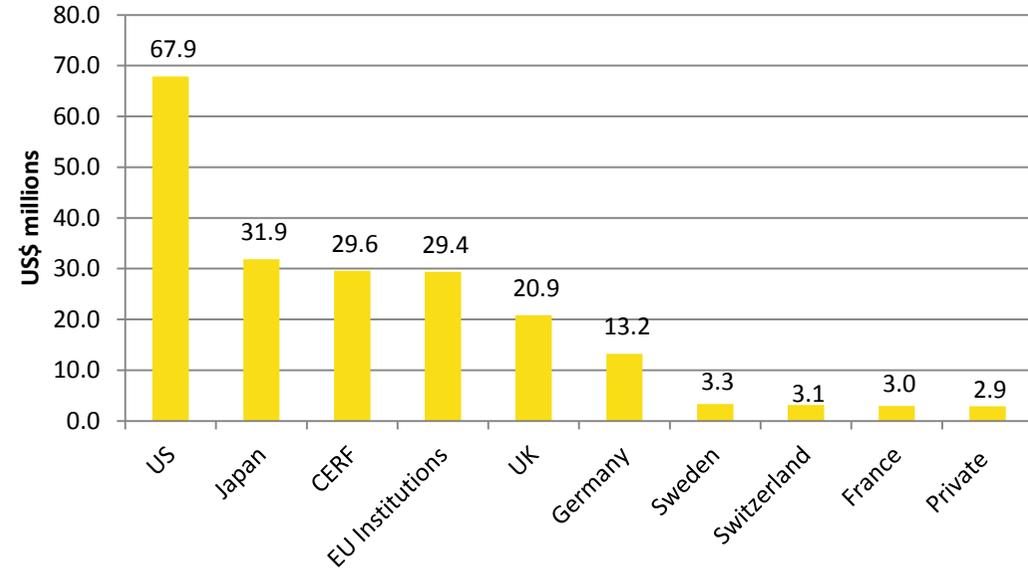
Figure 5: Humanitarian funding to Cameroon, 2013–2015



Source: UN OCHA FTS. Data downloaded 31 May 2015.

The top donors over the 2013–2015 period are the US (US\$67.9 million), Japan (US\$31.9 million) and the CERF (US\$29.6 million).

Figure 6: Top 10 humanitarian donors to Cameroon, 2013–2015



Source: UN OCHA FTS. Data downloaded 31 May 2015

Note: Private includes individuals and organisations

Data is correct at time of writing and subject to change. For up-to-date figures on the humanitarian response to Cameroon and other crises see UN OCHA's FTS:

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