



FOOD FOR PEACE FACT SHEET

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Food Security Situation*

• East Timor ranks 158th in the 2008 United Nations Development Program Human Development Index, the lowest in Asia.

• Food insecurity is widespread due to low crop yields, lack of income, drought, underdeveloped markets and civil unrest, with over one-third of the population regularly experiencing food shortages.

• With 40 percent of the population living on less than 55 cents per capita per day, poverty and the high price of food products, especially cereals, also severely restrict access to food among the poor, especially in rural areas.

• About 47 percent of children under the age of 5 are chronically malnourished (stunted) and 43 percent underweight.



CIA Factbook, March 5, 2009

Total Food for Peace Contributions

Fiscal Year 2009 (to date)	----	----
Fiscal Year 2008	\$1.2 million	1,040 MT
Fiscal Year 2007	\$2.2 million	2,290 MT
Fiscal Year 2006	\$1.2 million	1,550 MT

Food for Peace Contribution Breakdown

Partner	FY08	
	Emergency	
	USD in millions	metric tons
WFP*	\$1.2	1,040

Food for Peace Program Details

Implementing Partner	World Food Program
Targeted Beneficiaries	256,000 food-insecure East Timorese annually
Projects	Food for Work, school feeding, assistance to Internally Displaced Persons
Project Locations	Countrywide

* FY: fiscal year; MT: metric tons; USD: United States Dollar; WFP: World Food Program

* Food Security Situation information is provided by WFP as of March 9, 2009.