



FEED THE FUTURE COUNTRY EXPANSION FACT SHEET

What is a Feed the Future Target Country?

In Feed the Future target countries, the U.S. government takes a **coordinated approach** to its investments and in turn, paves the way for further resources and investment from other actors, such as the private sector, donors and local governments. And since accountability is a hallmark of Feed the Future's approach, each target country has a specified region where we have pinpointed investments and gather in-depth evidence to help measure, tailor and adapt our programs. Feed the Future integrates agriculture and nutrition investments to enhance cognitive and physical development, increase economic productivity, strengthen resilience and advance global development.

For more information, please view the [Nutrition Priority Countries](#).

The world is facing a food security crisis of historic proportions. Countries already reeling from increased poverty, hunger, and malnutrition as a result of COVID-19, climate shocks, and protracted conflict now face further suffering from Russia's unprovoked and unjustified invasion of Ukraine. Putin's war will only worsen people's vulnerability to hunger, poverty and malnutrition, and millions are at risk. As a result of the war in Ukraine, and the worsening of fuel and food price shocks, 40 million more people could be pushed into poverty and food insecurity in 2022. Worse yet, a catastrophic, four-season drought in the Horn of Africa threatens up to 20 million people in Kenya, Ethiopia and Somalia with hunger by the end of this year.

The United States is at the forefront of global efforts to confront this crisis. Feed the Future, the U.S. government's global food security initiative, **is expanding its global footprint in eight new target countries**, including those vulnerable to the impacts of Russia's war in Ukraine. In these countries, Feed the Future will intensify its efforts to directly address and mitigate these impacts in the medium and long term.

Expanding Feed the Future's Response to the Global Food Crisis

Liberia
Democratic Republic of the Congo
Zambia
Rwanda
Tanzania
Malawi
Madagascar
Mozambique

The new target countries are **the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Liberia, Madagascar, Malawi, Mozambique, Rwanda, Tanzania, and Zambia**. Feed the Future's global footprint now expands from 12 to 20 target countries around the world where we are responding to each country's level of needs and harnessing the power of agriculture to drive economic growth and transform food systems in the country and the region.

This effort will be complemented by \$760 million in additional funding to combat the effects of high food, fuel and fertilizer prices – now being driven by Putin's war – in over 40 countries that need it most.

STRENGTHENING RESILIENCE FOR THE FUTURE

For more than a decade, Feed the Future's **targeted investments** have addressed the root causes of poverty, hunger and malnutrition around the world. Through partnerships and innovation, Feed the Future works to end global hunger and food insecurity:



In **Kenya**, Feed the Future partnered with the government to revitalize the Oldonyiro livestock market, creating a safe, reliable, and more equitable environment where hundreds of traders like longtime seller Veronica Lengirnas could thrive as small business owners. With support from Feed the Future, she expanded her business and reinvested her profits in a car, enabling her to sell even more goods and become one of the busiest traders at the market.



In **Guatemala**, Feed the Future works with the coffee farmers' group Asociación Barillense de Agricultores (ASOBAGRI) to train farmers like María Juan Tomas in skills to strengthen their businesses. The Inter-American Foundation, a Feed the Future partner agency, works with Guatemalan women so they can access loans with low interest rates to expand their businesses and connect with programs that provide ongoing technical training and certifications.