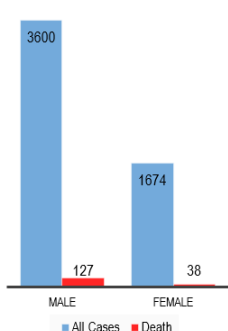


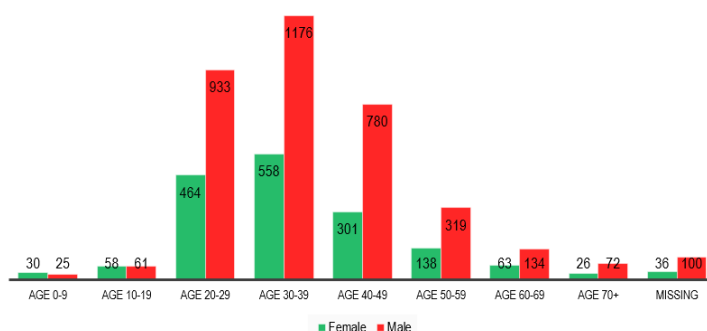
MALAWI HIGHLIGHTS

- ❖ Announcements that the airport and schools will re-open in early September
- ❖ 13 million people reached with COVID-19 infection prevention and control messages and 4.2 million people reached with WASH-related messages
- ❖ 38,000 COVID-19 PCR (polymerase chain reaction test) diagnostic kits and 38,000 isolation kits delivered to MoH, however, shortage of testing kits remains
- ❖ 60 GBV and child protection related cases registered this week
- ❖ The MVAC analysis for all districts for the 2020/21 season identified 2,617,986 people requiring food assistance (2,032,106 for rural and 585,880 for urban)
- ❖ 50% increase in households relying on purchase as main source of food compared to May 2020

Malawi COVID-19 cases and deaths by gender



Malawi's COVID-19 cases by age and gender



MALAWI SUMMARY

- ❖ **5 282** cases (**2 234** active - 42 are new)
- ❖ **1 089** imported, **4 193** local transmission
- ❖ **2 883** (26 are new) recovered
- ❖ **165** (1 are new) deaths
- ❖ **41,026** (386 are new) tests done
- ❖ All **28** districts affected

GLOBAL SUMMARY

- ❖ **22 697 162** cases
- ❖ **794 021** confirmed deaths
- ❖ **14 554 625** recovered
- ❖ Cases in **216** countries and places

REGIONAL SUMMARY (Africa)

- ❖ **1 158 119** cases
- ❖ **26 978** confirmed deaths
- ❖ **880 666** recovered
- ❖ All **54** countries affected

EMERGENCY APPEAL FINANCIAL TRACKING OVERVIEW ([financial tracking tool](#))

Funding Required \$	Reported Funding \$	% Funded	No of Donors	No of Operational Partners
345M	261.3M	75.6	81	26

COMPREHENSIVE COVID-19 PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE





COORDINATION

Coordinated by: Department of Disaster Management Affairs (DoDMA)

- ❖ The Presidential Taskforce endorsed the proposal by the Ministry of Transport and Public Works to open airports during the first week of September.
- ❖ The UN and humanitarian partners continue to support the Government in the development of guidelines for the opening of schools
- ❖ A calendar of meetings, group mailing lists, a repository to store and share information and a 5W interactive dashboard on the COVID-19 response and a financial tracking tool for the emergency appeal are available as resource tools

Needs and Gaps

- ❖ Lack of disaggregated data during reception of returnees to allow for proper planning in terms of rations
- ❖ Urgent need to agree on the cluster to coordinate social support interventions in the COVID-19 response Plan. This will minimize duplication, and ensure the implementation of harmonized approaches and strategies during the response

 <p>INFORMATION & COMMUNICATION</p> <p>Coordinated by: Ministry of Information (MoI)</p> <p>5892 people reached with risk communication and community engagement activities in 13 districts</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Over 13 million people were reached with COVID-19 infection prevention and control messages through broadcasts on 23 radio stations and 6 TV stations under the "OSAYIDELERA COVID-19" campaign supported by USAID HC4L in collaboration with Applied Development Communications and Training Services (ADECOTS) Refresher orientation for 168 members of community-based health workers and radio listening club on COVID-19 was conducted to enable them support on-going risk communication and community engagement activities in 6 district supported by USAID HC4L RCCE activities reaching 5892 persons in 13 districts were conducted by USAID ONSE <p>Needs and Gaps</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A key gap discussed during this week's RCCE meeting at MOH was the reported increase in the number of cases in prisons that require urgent action from different sectors including targeted communication interventions to address specific needs in prison settings.
 <p>HEALTH</p> <p>Coordinated by: Ministry of Health (MoH) & WHO</p> <p>7,115 travellers screened at points of entry</p> <p>392 health workers supported to increase expertise around COVID-19</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 321 health workers were oriented on contact tracing, sample collection and follow up of arrivals/returnees, supported by UNICEF with financial funding from UK Aid through Clinton Health Access Initiative (CHAI) MoH laboratory team was supported to conduct a mentorship exercise at 51 COVID-19 testing sites to strengthen knowledge of testing and the standard operating procedures and guidelines, supported by UNICEF 7,155 travellers were screened at Kamuzu International Airport, Karonga, Mwanza and Mangochi bringing the cumulatively number screened since March 2020 to about 302,000 supported by UNICEF, MRCs, UK Aid and the Irish government 20 frontline health workers from Zomba District health facilities were supported with COVID-19 case management training by Save the Children 10 oxygen cylinders and regulators procured for use at the Biwi Health Centre by USAID ONSE <p>Needs and Gaps</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use of uncharted routes by returnees, inadequate funding, and short supply of testing kits. Ideally, Malawi should be undertaking 2,000 tests per day. An estimated 160,000 to 165,000 testing kits are needed up until December 2020.
 <p>TRANSPORT AND LOGISTICS</p> <p>Coordinated by: Ministry of Transport and Works (MTW) & WFP</p> <p>38,000 PCR diagnostic kits and 38,000 isolation kits delivered to MoH</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 38,000 COVID-19 PCR (polymerase chain reaction test) diagnostic kits and 38,000 isolation kits valued at US\$ 456,000 were delivered to MoH by UNICEF with funding from UK Aid Stationary materials worth \$260 were delivered to Lilongwe DHO by WHO 28 passengers are expected to travel in and out of Malawi this week with the WFP-managed Aviation flight MoH is currently reviewing the list of sites for Emergency Treatment Units Approximately 100 m2 of storage space for COVID-19 supplies was provided to support partners including Last Mile Health and UNICEF in Lilongwe by the Logistics Cluster <p>Needs and Gaps</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Shortage of isolation and treatment tents; Challenges in storage and transport Disjointed logistics coordination and limited information sharing
 <p>WASH</p> <p>Coordinated by: Ministry of Irrigation & Water Development & UNICEF</p> <p>465 returnees provided with safe drinking water</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assorted WASH supplies including 800 female sanitary pads and PPE distributed to returnees in 3 districts by UNICEF through partnership with United Purpose. 10 additional latrines installed since the last report, bringing the total of emergency latrines installed by UNICEF support to 100 in 10 districts Safe water by trucking and bladders was provided to Machinga Teacher Training College to serve 465 returnees from South Africa, supported by UNICEF, United Purpose and the Blantyre Regional Water Office Close to 4.2 million people were reached with WASH-related messages through community radios, hand washing demonstrations at markets, communities and townships, mobile van messaging, IEC materials and newspapers, supported through United Purposes, UNICEF with funding from UK Aid <p>Needs and Gaps</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Education Cluster response plan has a 65% funding gap out of US\$20.8 million
 <p>PROTECTION</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 60 GBV and child protection related cases were registered through the Child Helpline/ Gender Based Violence (GBV) helpline supported by UNICEF 710 children, parents and caregivers in Blantyre district were reached with community based Mental Health and Psychosocial Support by MHPSS and UNICEF

Coordinated by:
**Ministry of Gender, Children,
 Disability and Social Welfare
 (MGCDSW), UNICEF, UN
 Women**

60 GBV and child protection
 related cases registered this
 week

- ❖ **Development of a communication plan** for emergency social protection response to the socio-economic effects of COVID-19 by Government was supported by UNICEF
- ❖ **377 returnees** from South Africa provided **Psychological First Aid group therapy** in Zomba and Machinga by District Social Welfare Office supported by Save the Children

Needs and Gaps

- ❖ Inadequate funding is still an issue; the protection cluster has a funding gap of US\$ 4.8 million



FOOD SECURITY

Coordinated by:
**Department of Disaster
 Management Affairs
 (DoDMA) & WFP**

- ❖ **The Malawi Vulnerability Assessment Committee (MVAC) analysis** was completed and covered all districts for the 2020/21 season with **2.617,986 million people requiring food assistance** (2,032,106 for rural and 585,880 for urban). The food gap is ranging from 2 to 4 months.

- ❖ The **Round 7 of the Minimum Expenditure Basket (MEB) bulletin** was [published](#) and key results show that current maize grain prices are trending below 2019 levels for the second consecutive week this year

- ❖ **Round 2 bulletin of the COVID-19 Household-Level Food Security Monitoring** will be published this week. Data collection for Round 3 is concluding this week.

Needs and Gaps

- ❖ Weak demand for agricultural produce persists across the country



EDUCATION

Coordinated by: **Ministry of
 Education, Science and
 Technology (MoEST); Save
 the Children & UNICEF**

- ❖ The President announced that **schools will open in early September** and school assessments have commenced

- ❖ **Dissemination of school reopening guidelines and preparation for school reopening** by MoEST in collaboration with zonal school level stakeholders

- ❖ **Radio jingles and radio shows on COVID-19 prevention at home and in schools** based on the MoEST prevention guidelines will commence on MBC and community radios, supported by UNESCO

- ❖ **25 Tisewere Radio Programs** were rebroadcasted for maximum reach supported by Save the Children



NUTRITION

Coordinated by: **Ministry of
 Health (MoH) & UNICEF**

- ❖ A total of **2,913,884 people** were reached with **key nutrition preventive messages on COVID-19** through jingles on community radios and mobile vans in 8 districts supported by UNICEF

- ❖ **About 1.2 million people** were reached with the **official Maternal and Infant and Young Child Nutrition jingles** in the context of COVID-19 on local radio stations (Gaka, Nyanthepa and Chanco) in 3 districts supported by WFP



AGRICULTURE

Coordinated by:
**Ministry of Agriculture (MoA)
 & FAO**

50% increase in households
 relying on purchase as main
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 May 2020

- ❖ **The Seventh Bulletin of the Emergency Agriculture and Food Security Surveillance System (EmA-FSS)** was released by the Ministry of Agriculture (MoA) with technical support from FAO

- ❖ The proportion of households relying on purchase as the main source of food has nearly doubled compared to the first week of May 2020 and the week ending on 2 August 2020. The southern region has recorded the highest increase indicative of depleting food stock at household level.

- ❖ Mobilisation of technical support to **finalize communication materials directed at farmers** by Department of Agriculture Extension Services (DAES) and stakeholders during the third week of August 2020 supported by Cluster members including SANE Project and FAO

Needs and gaps

- ❖ Additional funding is required to prepare for the rain-fed agriculture season. The Agriculture Cluster has managed to source only USD 5,832,000 as confirmed and pledged contributions, which represents only 19% of total needs.

- ❖ Guidance with protocols and provision of PPE items for Agriculture Extension Workers continues to be a gap in the response.

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