

# Egypt

## The UNHCR-WFP Joint Hub Country Support Brief

Egypt hosts more than **941,600 registered refugees and asylum seekers** from **61 nationalities**. The largest group are Sudanese, followed by Syrians (123,000), South Sudanese (50,000), and Eritreans (43,000). Egypt is currently **the largest host country for Sudanese refugees** fleeing the conflict. Between 2024 and September 2025, the number of Sudanese refugees and asylum seekers registered with UNHCR rose from **200,000 to over 795,000 people** (UNHCR, 2025). Refugees in Egypt primarily live in **urban areas** that offer some livelihood opportunities, mainly in **Greater Cairo, Alexandria, Al-Sharqia, Damietta**, and other northern and eastern cities.

### JOINT HUB SUPPORT

The **Joint Hub** started supporting **UNHCR and WFP in Egypt** in **June 2023**, following a scoping mission and a formal request from the Country Operations. From 2023 to 2025, the Joint Hub led and coordinated collaborative efforts aimed at **assessing refugee needs through a “one refugee” approach**—regardless of nationality. The joint approach sought to:

- Inform **targeting and prioritization** of basic needs assistance;
- Support **longer-term socio-economic inclusion planning**; and

- Strengthen **accountability to affected people (AAP)**.

In addition to the 2023 scoping mission, the Joint Hub conducted an **online mission in February 2025** focused on the quantitative and qualitative assessments that will define the **targeting methodologies** and guide future programming.

### Internal Documents

- [EFY Joint Hub Support Scope of Work.pdf](#)
- [EGY SoW Extension Endorsement.pdf](#)
- [Mission Report detailed Egypt Joint Hub 12-15 June 2023.docx](#)
- [EGY E-mission Daily Notes.docx](#)
- [EGY Day 6 Management presentation.pptx](#)

### KEY SUPPORT AREAS



Assessment and Analysis



Targeting



Accountability to Affected People



Self-Reliance

## KEY THEMATIC DELIVERABLES

### 1. JOINT ASSESSMENT AND ANALYSIS

The joint assessment (2024–2025) was conducted in partnership with the **Central Agency for Public Mobilization and Statistics (CAPMAS)**. It comprised quantitative and qualitative exercises led by WFP and UNHCR, with technical support from the Joint Hub.

The Joint Hub played a key role in:

- Building the **sampling methodology**, questionnaires, and logistical arrangements;
- Providing **technical guidance** during data collection; and
- Conducting **high-frequency data quality checks** to address issues in real time.
- Analysing the quantitative and qualitative data

The **quantitative data collection**, conducted by CAPMAS under the guidance of the Joint Hub and led by Country Offices, was completed in **December 2024**, covering **3,349 households**.

In **February 2025**, staff from both agencies conducted **19 focus group discussions (FGDs)** nationwide to collect qualitative data. The triangulation of both data sets forms the foundation for the **targeting methodology** design.

Findings are documented in the **Egypt Vulnerability Assessment Report (EVAR 2025)**, available in English and Arabic. As of December 2025, the Arabic version is pending endorsement by CAPMAS and the **Ministry of Foreign Affairs**.

A **technical brief** details the Joint Hub's support to the development of the **targeting methodology**, including calculations for the **Minimum Expenditure Basket (MEB)** and **Survival Minimum Expenditure Basket (SMEB)**. As of November 2025, Country Offices are conducting **additional technical analyses** to confirm the final targeting approach.

#### *Internal Documents*

- [Egypt assessment TORs 20230619.docx](#)
- [20250917 EGY Technical brief.docx](#)
- [EVAR 2025 FINAL.pdf](#)
- [EGY Final targeting model 20250821.pptx](#)

### 2. ACCOUNTABILITY TO AFFECTED PEOPLE (AAP)

The Joint Hub provided significant support for AAP-related activities, including drafting a **joint communication strategy**, mapping existing **feedback mechanisms** and developing **Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs)** to strengthen the **joint appeals process**.

#### *Internal Documents*

- [Egypt Prioritization Joint Communication Strategy.docx](#)
- [Egypt Prioritization Joint Appeals Process SOPs.docx](#)
- [Mapping of Feedback Mechanisms](#)

### 3. SELF-RELIANCE

In **2023**, the Joint Hub established a **technical working group on livelihoods and self-reliance** to facilitate joint discussions and define **self-reliance pathways** for refugees. The group also explored:

- Opportunities for **harmonizing WFP and UNHCR humanitarian cash assistance**;
- A **progressive alignment** between humanitarian targeting and national social protection programmes; and
- The **integration of a social protection lens** into strategic planning.

However, these discussions were **temporarily put on hold** pending agreement on the **joint targeting approach**.

#### *Internal Document*

[Egypt: Report on Sources of Income](#)

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