

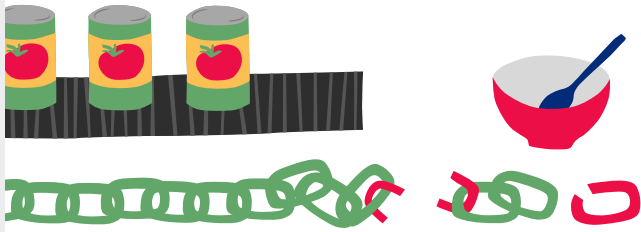
FOOD SYSTEMS + HUNGER

Over **800 million** people around the world – **a tenth** of the population – are chronically hungry.



Global hunger fell for decades, but it is on the rise again.

The global Covid-19 pandemic has contributed to a sharp rise in hunger.



In a world where food is abundant, but hunger remains, food systems are not delivering.



More than half the world's hungry are in Asia, with **a third** in Africa.

Prevalence of hunger is highest in Africa, where **one in five** people is affected – **more than double** any other region.



Food systems must transform to defeat hunger forever.

This means tackling some of the main contributors to hunger, including **poverty, inequity, conflict, and climate change**.

United Nations Sustainable Development Goal 2 aims for **an end to hunger** by **2030**. Given current trends, this is a distant dream.

A massive new effort is needed to make defeating hunger a reality.



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