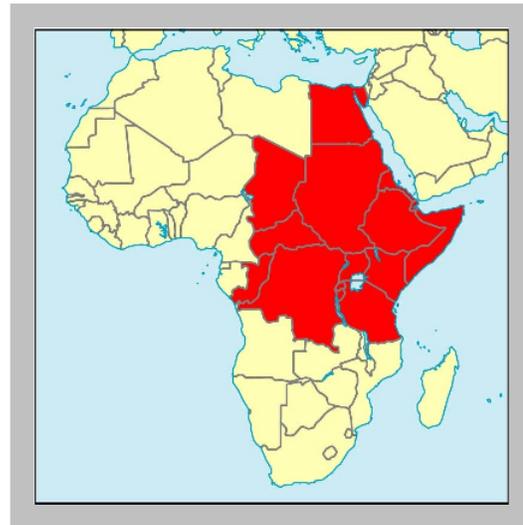


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**East and Central Africa  
Humanitarian Assistance in Review, 1998 – Present**

Chronic conflict, cyclical drought, floods, disease outbreaks, environmental degradation, rapid population growth, and limited government capacity present significant challenges to vulnerable populations in east and central Africa (ECA). The ECA region encompasses the Horn of Africa, as well as the Great Lakes region, including Burundi, the Central African Republic (CAR), the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC), Djibouti, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Kenya, the Republic of Congo, Rwanda, Somalia, Tanzania, and Uganda, in addition to Sudan, Chad, and Egypt. Since 1998, USAID/OFDA and USAID's Office of Food for Peace (USAID/FFP) have provided humanitarian assistance in response to a diverse

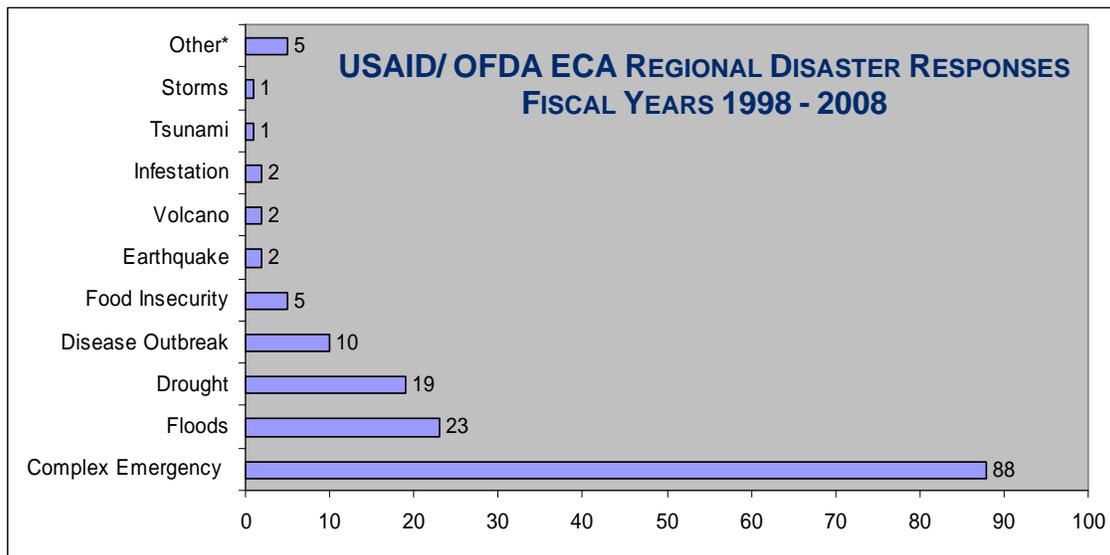


range of natural and complex emergencies, including drought conditions in Ethiopia, a volcanic eruption in the DRC, an Ebola outbreak in Uganda, regional food insecurity in the Horn of Africa, post-election violence in Kenya, and the ongoing complex crises in Somalia and Sudan.

Between fiscal year (FY) 1998 and FY 2008, USAID provided nearly \$8.8 billion in humanitarian assistance programming in ECA, including nearly \$1.8 billion in nutrition, protection, economy and market systems, coordination and information management, logistics and relief commodities, risk reduction, shelter and settlements, health care, and water, sanitation, and hygiene interventions, and nearly \$7 billion in food aid. In recent years, USAID deployed multiple humanitarian assessment teams, including Disaster Assistance Response Teams (DARTs) to the region. Between 1998 and 2009, USAID deployed nine DARTs in response to humanitarian emergencies in Somalia, Kenya, Eritrea, the DRC, Sudan, and the regional food security crisis in the Horn of Africa, as well as assessment teams to Ethiopia, CAR, and Chad. In addition, USAID activated Washington, D.C.-based Response Management Teams to support coordination and response efforts in Ethiopia, Sudan, and for the Horn of Africa food crisis.

**USAID/OFDA AND USAID/FFP HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO ECA  
(FISCAL YEARS 1998 - 2008), IN MILLIONS**

	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	TOTALS
<b>USAID/OFDA</b>	\$82.7	\$54.4	\$90.0	\$80.9	\$89.4	\$128.9	\$175.4	\$286.4	\$248.7	\$259.9	\$271.7	<b>\$1768.4</b>
<b>USAID/FFP</b>	\$205.5	\$176.3	\$206.2	\$239.0	\$180.4	\$807.4	\$773.9	\$1232.5	\$820.7	\$814.9	\$1531.0	<b>\$6987.8</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	\$288.2	\$230.7	\$296.2	\$319.9	\$269.8	\$936.3	\$949.2	\$1518.9	\$1069.5	\$1074.7	\$1802.6	<b>\$8756.0</b>



\* Other disaster responses include a building collapse, accident, and three explosion/bombing incidents.

USAID/OFDA programs include facilitating access to displaced and vulnerable populations, protecting civilians, and providing basic services. In addition, humanitarian priorities in the region include supporting and promoting activities to help reduce the vulnerability of at-risk populations to climate-induced disasters and increase resiliency to future shocks. USAID/OFDA has developed a disaster risk reduction strategy in the region to complement emergency assistance interventions and address underlying root causes of food insecurity and population vulnerability. The strategy emphasizes a livelihood approach, including asset protection, livelihood development, risk reduction, and capacity building at both the local and national level.

Risk reduction programs also seek to mitigate conflict resulting from ethnic tensions, border disputes, civil unrest, political instability, and resource competition and associated morbidity, mortality, asset and livelihood loss, displacement, and food insecurity.

In addition to D.C.-based staff and a regional office in Nairobi, Kenya, USAID/OFDA maintains permanent program staff in Ethiopia, Sudan, and the DRC to monitor humanitarian conditions, oversee and manage existing programs, and facilitate coordination and information sharing with implementing partners, local governments, and U.N. agencies.

### USAID ASSISTANCE TO ECA BY COUNTRY (FISCAL YEARS 1998 - 2008)

