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China earthquake: facts and figures

As of 21 May 2008

Appeal

Current appeal target: CHF 20,076,412 (USD 19,304,242 or EUR 12,431,215)

Earthquake impact

As of 21 May - Source: Chinese emergency response office of the State Council of China

- **Death toll:** 40,075 people
- **Injured:** 247,645 people
- **Displaced:** 4.8 million people
- **Homes damaged:** 5.2 million homes
- **Homes destroyed:** 2 million homes

Red Cross Red Crescent response

- More than 35,000 local Red Cross staff and volunteers have been working with rescue and medical teams to distribute tents, food, water, clothes and medicines around the clock.
- More than 800,000 survivors have received relief items from the Red Cross.
- More than 100 local and regional Red Cross emergency relief and medical teams have been deployed.
- The Chinese Red Cross has sent two psychosocial support teams to the affected area. They will train Red Cross volunteers on simple techniques in providing psychosocial support, including approaches adapted from Chinese culture and customs such as *tai qi* breathing exercises, to help affected people cope with emotional distress.
- A four-member team from the International Federation, composed of a team leader, health delegate, disaster management officer and a media specialist arrived in Chengdu on 15 May.
- The International Federation's earthquake coordination centre has been set up at Sichuan Red Cross branch headquarters in Chengdu.
- The International Federation will provide emergency support to the local Red Cross' relief operations in Mianyang prefecture, one of the most affected areas.