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Hello ,

I represent the Embassy of Yemen in Washington, D.C. The situation in Yemen has become dire, and nowhere is that clearer than in Taiz. I wanted to share an updated fact sheet produced by the Government of Yemen, with the latest figures from the ground, detailing the ongoing humanitarian crisis there.

I hope this information can be helpful in your reporting. Please don't hesitate to reach out if you have any questions about this document or other matters related to Yemen.

Best regards,

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GOVERNOR OF TAIZ · UN NOON BRIEFING · 17 NOVEMBER 2026

The road in takes 26 hours. Taiz under siege.

Fighting and restrictions on access are disrupting essential services in Taiz. Food, water and fuel shortages are putting households under pressure, while declining access to health care is making it harder to detect and treat disease.

1.3 million
people in the six districts affected by the siege
Government of Yemen, Oct 2026

268,000
people displaced since June, most of them in Taiz and Lahj
IOM, Oct 2026

237
civilian casualties in under three months — 64 killed and 173 injured
Taiz Office for Siege Affairs, 2026

LIFE INSIDE THE SIEGE

64 killed CIVILIAN CASUALTIES

237 civilian casualties between 1 August and 22 October — among the dead, 17 children and 15 women; among the injured, 48 children and 49 women.
Taiz Office for Siege Affairs · 1 Aug–22 Oct 2026

26 hours THE JOURNEY FROM ADEN

The journey previously took 3 hours. Truck movements into Taiz fell by 80%, and transport costs from Aden rose by more than 150%.
UN / OCHA

1,600 BUSINESSES CLOSED

Shops and other businesses in Taiz have closed due to fighting and the siege.
Taiz Office for Siege Affairs · Since early Aug 2026

10% OF FOOD NEEDS

The city's food stocks cover only one-tenth of residents' needs, and the basic food basket costs 75% more.
Governor of Taiz and UN / OCHA

8%

of the city's water needs are met by available supplies. Fuel shortages disrupt pumping and distribution across Taiz.
UN / OCHA

FOOD, WATER AND FUEL

Supplies, prices and transport — as reported by the Governor of Taiz and the UN, each figure attributed to its source.

Food stocks share of residents' needs	**10%**
Basic food basket cost increase — UN / OCHA	**+75%**
Food and medicine supply shortfall against normal needs	**90%**
Fuel supply shortfall — gas 97.3% · petrol 96.3% · diesel 97.2%	**~97%**
Cooking gas price increase — UN / OCHA	**+170%**

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Governor of Taiz press conference · UN / OCHA. The governor reported a broad increase in food prices; the UN tracked the cost of a basic food basket, and its transport figures refer to the Aden–Taiz route.

+300%

the rise in gas and petroleum-product prices reported by the Governor of Taiz, who put transport costs at four times their previous level.
Governor of Taiz

HEALTH, WOMEN AND CHILDREN

90,328 MEDICAL CONSULTATIONS

Consultations fell from 123,105 to 90,328 over five weeks. Medicine shortages affect 8,000 diabetes patients and 14,000 patients with chronic illnesses.
Governor of Taiz

491,583 WOMEN WITH REDUCED ACCESS

Women of reproductive age have reduced access to care — only 26% received reproductive health services, and 40,656 pregnant women risk losing access to skilled birth care.
Governor of Taiz

79,268 INFANTS AT RISK

Infants under one are at risk of missing vaccinations as vaccine stocks run low. Neonatal incubators have fallen from 160 to 78.
Governor of Taiz

462,899 CHILDREN UNDER FIVE

Children under five are affected by the siege and fighting. 111,619 women near the siege lines need psychosocial support.
Governor of Taiz

DISEASE AND MALNUTRITION

5,300+
cases of acute watery diarrhoea, among nearly 5,600 water- and vector-borne disease cases reported 25 October to 15 November
UN / OCHA

230
suspected dengue cases, alongside more than 180 suspected cholera cases
UN / OCHA

43%
of children under five are moderately or severely stunted — 17% severely
Governor of Taiz

1.3 million people are living inside this siege.

Governor Nabil Shamsan and the UN's noon briefing of 17 November 2026 describe the same trajectory: supplies down, prices up, disease rising, and care increasingly out of reach.

WHAT MUST HAPPEN NOW

1
ROUTES
Open and secure the routes connecting Taiz, Lahj and Aden so civilians, aid workers and commercial supplies can pass safely.

2
SUPPLIES
Ensure a regular flow of food, safe water, medicine and fuel, and facilitate emergency referrals and patient evacuations.

3
SERVICES
Keep hospitals, bakeries, water systems and sanitation services operating.

4
ASSISTANCE
Expand food and cash assistance, malnutrition treatment, child protection and psychosocial support.

Sources: Governor Nabil Shamsan's press conference, as reported by Saba News Agency, and the UN noon briefing of 17 November 2026. Governor and UN figures are shown separately, as each source reported them.

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