

IPC: Integrated food security classification

1 Minimal

More than four in five households (HHs) are able to meet essential food and non-food needs without engaging in atypical, unsustainable strategies to access food and income.

2 Stressed

Even with any humanitarian assistance at least one in five HHs in the area have the following or worse: Minimally adequate food consumption but are unable to afford some essential non-food expenditures without engaging in irreversible coping strategies.

3 Crisis

Even with any humanitarian assistance at least one in five HHs in the area have the following or worse: Food consumption gaps with high or above usual acute malnutrition **OR** Are marginally able to meet minimum food needs only with accelerated depletion of livelihood assets that will lead to food consumption gaps..

4 Emergency

Even with any humanitarian assistance at least one in five HHs in the area have the following or worse: Large food consumption gaps resulting in very high acute malnutrition and excess mortality **OR** Extreme loss of livelihood assets that will lead to food consumption gaps in the short term.

5 Famine

Even with any humanitarian assistance at least one in five HHs in the area have an extreme lack of food and other basic needs where starvation, death, and destitution are evident. (Evidence for all three criteria of food consumption, wasting, and CDR is required to classify Famine.)

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