

This folder contains the shapefiles for the January 2012 West Africa FEWS NET Food Security Outlook. The classification scale used is the [Integrated Phase Classification \(IPC\) V2.0 scale](#). The folder includes three shapefiles, representing the three periods of analysis:

WA_201201_CS	Current food security outcomes for January 2012
WA_201201_ML1	Most likely food security outcomes for January 2012 – March 2012
WA_201201_ML2	Most likely food security outcomes for April 2012 – June 2012

Within the shapefiles, the CS/ML1/ML2 fields contain the IPC area phase classification for the outlook period. FEWS NET began implementing the IPC humanitarian assistance mapping protocol (!) in April 2012. Thus, humanitarian assistance is not included in this data but was considered during analysis. The IPC_Legend.lyr file is provided for reference. It contains the official IPC color scheme.

For additional details on our food security data please click [here](#). Food security data for other regions and dates is available [here](#).