

# IPC Food Security Phase Classification System

*Standardized scale for acute food insecurity classification (Phases 1-5)*

**Phase 1**

Minimal: Food secure

**Phase 2**

Stressed: Borderline food insecure

**CRISIS THRESHOLD**  
(Binary classification target)

**Phase 3**

Crisis: Acute food & livelihood crisis

**Phase 4**

Emergency: Humanitarian emergency

**Phase 5**

Famine: Catastrophe/famine

Crisis rate in dataset:  
25.7% of observations  
(IPC Phase 3+)