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# Mali

## Humanitarian Response Plan 2019



to assist

**570 000 people**



FAO requires

**USD 16.9 million**



period

**January–December 2019**

Providing agricultural support to vulnerable households is fundamental to strengthen their resilience to future shocks.

Throughout 2018, persistent insecurity in Mali and the effects of natural disasters led to destruction of infrastructure, the disruption of livelihood and forced displacement, resulting in limited access to basic social services and putting additional pressure on already limited resources, exacerbating vulnerabilities.

### Objectives

FAO is working with partners of the Food Security Cluster to:

- Ensure complementarity of emergency response with livelihood support to strengthen communities' resilience by improving access to productive assets and market linkages in order to ensure availability and access to food.
- Strengthen local and national capacities to improve the monitoring of the situation, the preparation and the coordination of the response to socio-economic and climatic shocks.

### Activities



#### Restore food production

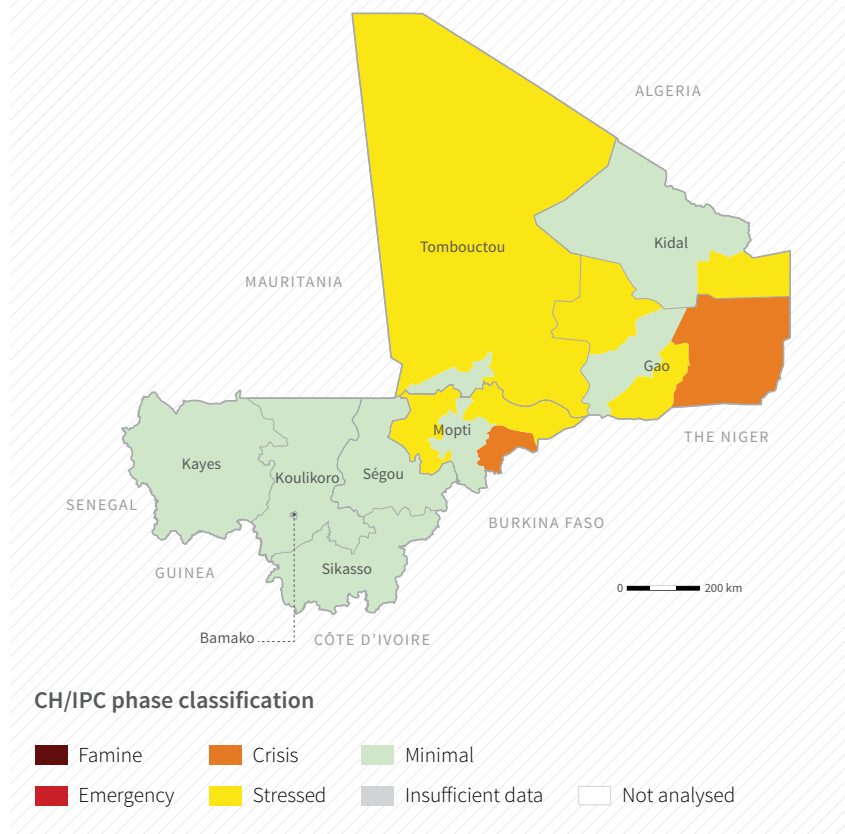
livestock restocking | rehabilitation of water points | training on good pastoral practices | vegetable production | irrigation systems | income-generating activities | nutrition education



#### Enhance effective coordination

emergency needs preparedness, assessment and response | early warning system

## Projected food security situation (June–August 2019)



Source: *Cadre Harmonisé*, November 2018





## Impact on food security

In a context of structural weaknesses and chronic poverty, conflict and natural disasters are the main drivers of the humanitarian crisis in Mali. Recurrent and successive shocks are preventing millions of vulnerable people from ensuring their food security and nutrition, and undermining their livelihoods.

Despite the expected average-to-good outcome of the 2018/19 agropastoral campaign, localized production declines will lead to an early depletion of stocks mainly for poor households. In 2018, floods, irregular rainfall and insecurity have affected production, particularly in central and northern Mali. The damage caused by the floods resulted in reduced cultivated areas and decreased production, limiting food availability. Flood- and drought-affected households across the country will continue to encounter difficulties to cover their food needs. Insecurity has also disrupted production channels, supply and markets, and led to large population displacements thus increasing vulnerable populations' access to food.

In 2019, Mali will still face challenges related to food security and nutrition particularly in the northern and central parts of the country, including due to increased population movements. Providing agricultural support is crucial to mitigate the effects of insecurity and natural disasters, and prevent the adoption of negative coping mechanisms.

## Situation analysis

-  **404 930** people projected to be severely food insecure
-  **657 000** children suffer from acute malnutrition
-  **70 770** people affected by floods in 2018
-  **78 000** IDPs

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