



RELEASE OF THE REGIONAL REPORT 2024 ON FOOD SECURITY AND NUTRITION IN WEST AFRICA AND THE SAHEL – RRSAN

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On June 11, 2024, the [Permanent Inter-State Committee for Drought Control in the Sahel \(CILSS\)](#) will release **the Regional Report on the Food and Nutrition Situation in the Sahel and West Africa 2024 (RRSAN)** in Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire. The report provides an updated analysis of the **acute food insecurity and nutrition situation** in the region, based on the data from the latest March 2024 Cadre Harmonisé (CH) cycle.

Nearly **50 million** people, or **12 percent** of the analysed population in 16 countries in West Africa and the Sahel could face high levels of acute food insecurity during the lean season from June to August 2024. This is the highest percentage in the history of CH and 1 percentage point higher than in 2023.

This situation results from the combined effects of several shocks, including persistent conflict and civil insecurity, economic shocks due to high inflation rates, soaring staple food prices, macroeconomic challenges and the increased impact of extreme weather conditions in 2023.

The report also highlights that the region is home to a third of the total number of **acutely malnourished children** in food-crisis countries: approximately 12.6 million children under 5 years old in 14 countries had acute malnutrition in 2023, including 3.2 million suffering from the most severe form of acute malnutrition.

The report is the result of a partnership between CILSS and the [Food Security Information Network \(FSIN\)](#) and produced in collaboration with the Cadre Harmonisé Technical Committee in support of the [Global Food Crisis Network \(GNAFC\)](#). It aligns with the [Global Report on Food Crises \(GRFC\)](#), contributing to a common narrative on acute food insecurity at the global and regional levels.

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The report is **under embargo** until **June 11 at 09:00 Abidjan time (GMT)** - date of publication and official launch. It will go live on the [CILSS website](#), [FSIN](#) and [GNAFC](#) websites.

Follow the event

The report will be launched on **June 11th at 09:00 GMT** during the PREGEC (Prevention and Management of Food Crises), an instrument of the Food Crisis Prevention Network (RPCA), which ensures information monitoring on food and nutritional security in the West African and Sahel region.

Please register and attend the event here:

<https://cilss-int.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYqd--rqz8vHdfWGZyYKIkOljl1E3knW4ei>

About the CILSS-FSIN Regional Report on the Food Security and Nutrition in West Africa and the Sahel

The report is the result of an inclusive and dynamic collaboration between the Comité Inter Etat de Lutte contre la Sécheresse au Sahel (CILSS), the Food Security Information Network (FSIN), and the institutions of [Cadre Harmonize](#). The report provides a comprehensive overview of the food and nutrition situation in the region, including data and analyses from the latest March 2024 CH cycle, data on agrometeorological conditions, agro-pastoral production, and agricultural product prices.

By promoting the use and dissemination of Cadre Harmonisé data and aligning this report with the Global Report on Food Crises (GRFC), the report contributes to a common narrative on acute food insecurity at the global and regional levels.

About the [Global Network Against Food Crises](#)

The Global Network Against Food Crises (GNAFC) is an alliance of humanitarian and development actors committed to addressing the root causes of food crises and finding lasting solutions to them, through shared analysis and knowledge, strengthened coordination in evidence-based responses and collective efforts across the humanitarian, development and peace (HDP) nexus.

About [CILSS](#)

The Permanent Inter-State Committee for Drought Control in the Sahel (CILSS) was created on September 12, 1973, following the major droughts that struck the Sahel in the 1970s. It groups thirteen member states, including: 8 coastal states (Benin, Côte d'Ivoire, Gambia, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Mauritania, Senegal, Togo); 4 landlocked states (Burkina Faso, Mali, Niger, Chad) and 1 island state (Cabo Verde). CILSS's mandate is to work towards food security and combat the effects of drought and desertification, in order to achieve a new ecological balance in the Sahel.

About [FSIN](#)

The Food Security Information Network (FSIN) is a technical global platform for the exchange of expertise, knowledge and best practices on food security and nutrition analysis. Its purpose is to promote timely, independent and consensus-based information about food crises, while also highlighting and addressing critical data gaps. As a key partner of the GNAFC, FSIN coordinates the publication of the Global Report on Food Crises.

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