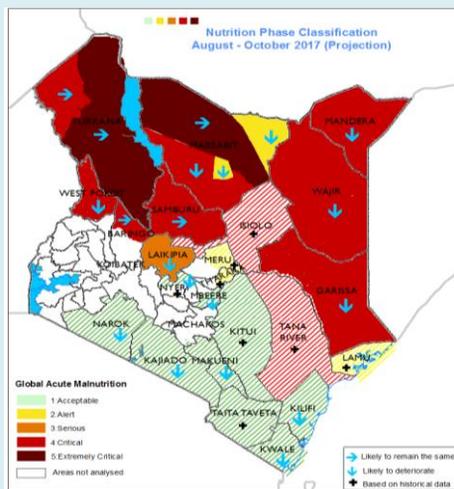
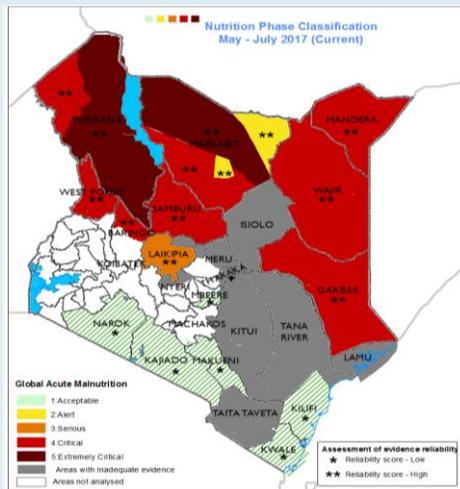




KENYA NUTRITION SITUATION OVERVIEW

ARID AND SEMI-ARID AREAS, JULY 2017

The IPC for Acute Malnutrition conducted in July 2017 has reported a *Very Critical* nutrition situation (Phase 5; GAM WHZ ≥ 30 percent) in Turkana Central, Turkana North, Turkana South, and North Horr in Marsabit. The rates of acute malnutrition in Turkana are **very alarming** and are comparable with the rates recorded in 2011 Horn of Africa Crisis with the highest Global Acute Malnutrition (GAM) of 37% recoded in Turkana South. A *Critical* nutrition situation (Phase 4; GAM WHZ 15.0 - 29.9 percent) was reported in East Pokot (Baringo), Samburu, West Pokot, Turkana West, Garissa, Wajir, and Mandera, while Laikipia reported a *Serious* nutrition situation (Phase 3; GAM WHZ 10.0 -14.9 percent). Moyale and Saku were classified as *Alert* (Phase 2; GAM WHZ ≥ 5 to 9.9 percent), while Narok, Kajiado, Makueni, Mbeere, Kwale, and Kilifi were *Acceptable* (Phase 1; GAM WHZ $< 5\%$) (Figure 1). Compared to February 2017, **the overall nutrition situation continues to remain of great concern, including deterioration recorded in some counties.** Furthermore, the situation is at risk of further deterioration in most counties in the coming months due to the anticipated worsening of the food security situation (Figure 2). Currently, 420,674 children 6 to 59 months and 39,068 pregnant and lactating women require treatment for acute malnutrition across the ASAL and Urban counties (Tables 1 and Figure 3).



➤ Continued and deepening crisis across most ASAL counties, with an overall increase in numbers of moderately malnourished children

➤ Most concerning areas remains North Horr, and Turkana South, North, and Central Sub-Counties

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| | 420,674 Total caseload of acutely malnourished |
| | 83,110 SAM 6-59m caseload |
| | 337,564 MAM 6-59m caseload |
| | 39,068 PLW caseload |

Figure 1. Current nutrition situation map

Figure 2. Projected nutrition situation map

Figure 3. Estimated Caseloads of Children 6-59 months requiring treatment for Acute Malnutrition - ASAL and Urban counties, July 2017

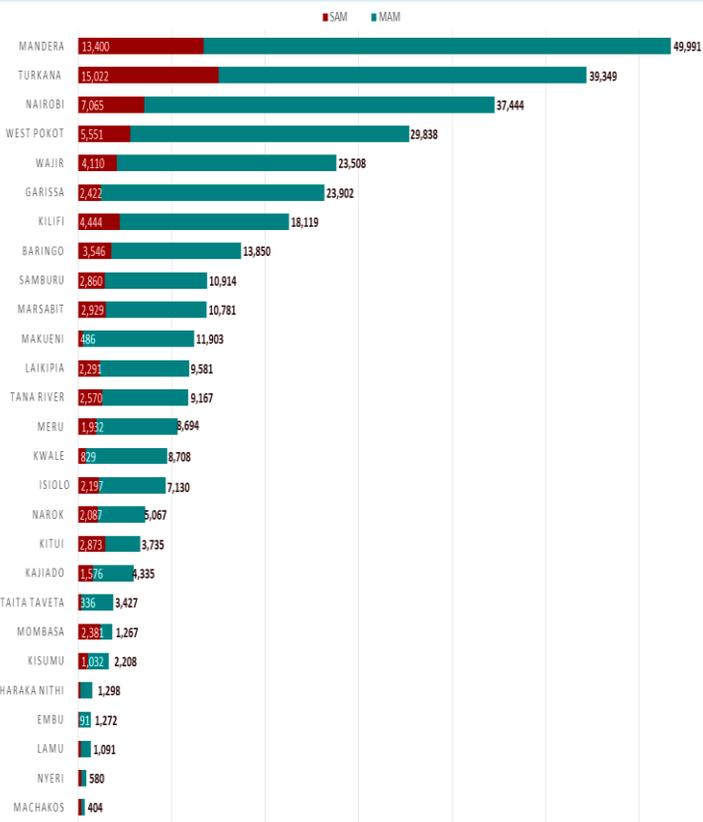


Table 1. Estimated Caseloads of Children and PLW Requiring Treatment for Acute Malnutrition, July 2017

| Area | GAM 6 to 59 m | SAM 6 to 59 m | MAM U5 6 to 59 m | PLWs |
|-----------------------|----------------|---------------|------------------|---------------|
| ASAL | 369,277 | 72,632 | 296,645 | 36,988 |
| Urban | 51,397 | 10,478 | 40,919 | 2,081 |
| Total Caseload | 420,674 | 83,110 | 337,564 | 39,068 |

Key recommendations - immediate response

- Continued scale up screening and treatment of acutely malnourished children and women through integrated outreaches to the most affected areas
- Enhanced mobilization and community engagement to further improve demand coverage of integrated health and nutrition programs
- Scale up of WASH services in most affected areas
- Scale up blanket supplementary feeding in the most affected counties
- Ensure nutrition commodities are prepositioned and supply chain monitoring is routinely done to avoid stock outs
- Urgent increase in household food access interventions including cash tops up and in kind to meet HH food needs in the most affected areas
- Specific focus on increasing HH food access in Turkana county to reduce risk of malnutrition related mortality
- Advocate for resolution of nurses strike to ensure lives are not lost due to impaired service delivery at facility level.
- Increased surveillance with real time reporting and action at national and county levels
- Continued support to effective coordination for monitoring of the emergency response plan

MAM – Moderate Acute Malnutrition, SAM – Severe Acute Malnutrition, PLW – Pregnant and Lactating Women

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