

# FOOD INSECURITY EXPERIENCE SCALE (FIES)

Impact indicator

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## Indicator Phrasing

**English:** Food Insecurity Experience Scale

**French:** Echelle de l'Expérience d'Insécurité Alimentaire

**Portuguese:** Índice de Experiência de Insegurança Alimentar

**Czech:** Food Insecurity Experience Scale

## What is its purpose?

This indicator is primarily used by FAO for measuring and comparing food insecurity across different countries. It is based on respondents' experience of food insecurity. Its methodology is very similar to the earlier developed Household Food Insecurity Access Scale (HFIAS); however, compared to HFIAS, it uses a 12-month long recall period and does not measure the frequency of experienced food insecurity.

## How to Collect and Analyse the Required Data

Since FIES is less suitable for measuring the impact of individual interventions, IndiKit does not provide detailed guidance on its use. Instead, it recommends using the [Household Food Insecurity Access Scale \(HFIAS\)](#) indicator. If you need guidance on FIES's use, please take advantage of the resources listed below.