

# GIFWS

The Global Information and  
Early Warning System on  
Food and Agriculture



# FAO Global Information and Early Warning System

Since 1975:

- “*to monitor the food supply and demand situation at global, regional and country levels*”
- “*to provide early warnings of impending serious food shortages*”

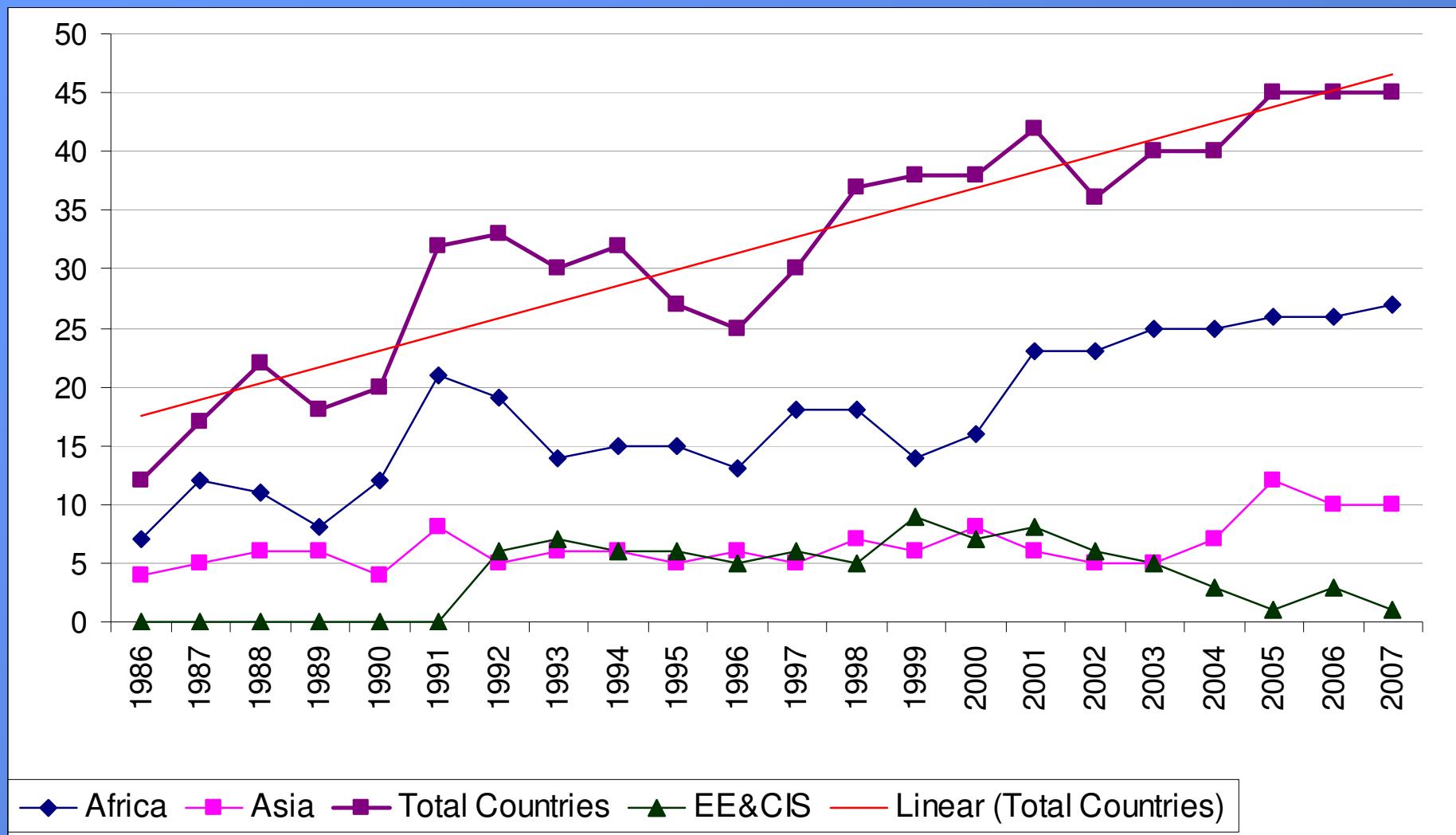
# **Serving the International Community**

- **Monitoring & Reporting:**  
Current food production/supply,  
utilization, import requirements and  
food aid needs
- **Early Warning:**  
Impending food security crises
- **Needs Assessments**  
With WFP, others, at the country level

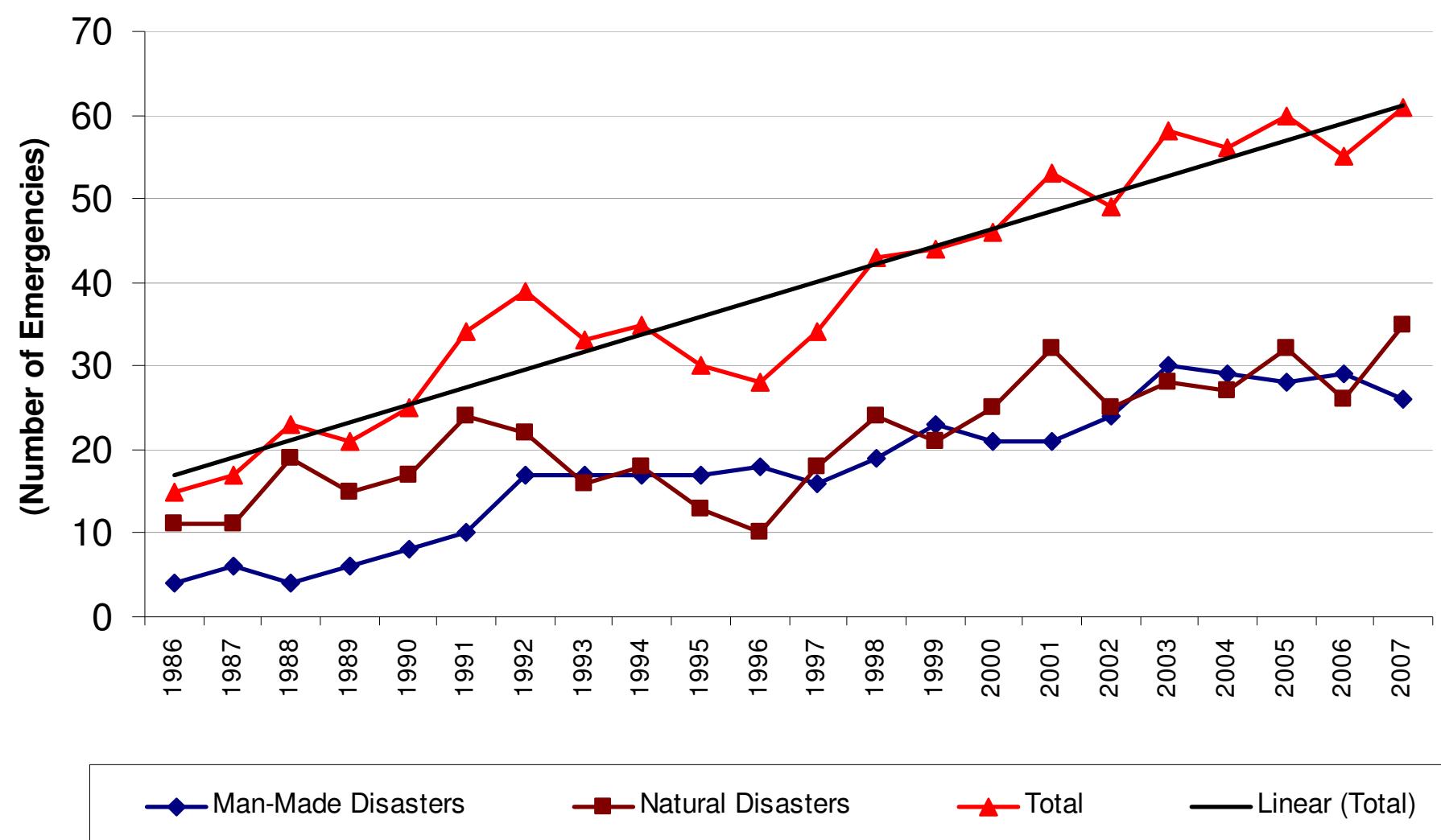
# GIEWS Reporting

- **Food Outlook** (2/year, 4 languages)
- **Crop Prospects and Food Situation** (5/year – 5 languages)
- List of **countries in crisis** – Countries facing unfavourable prospects
- **Web site** in 5 languages: Updates, Satellite imagery, Early Warning Indicators, all GIEWS publications

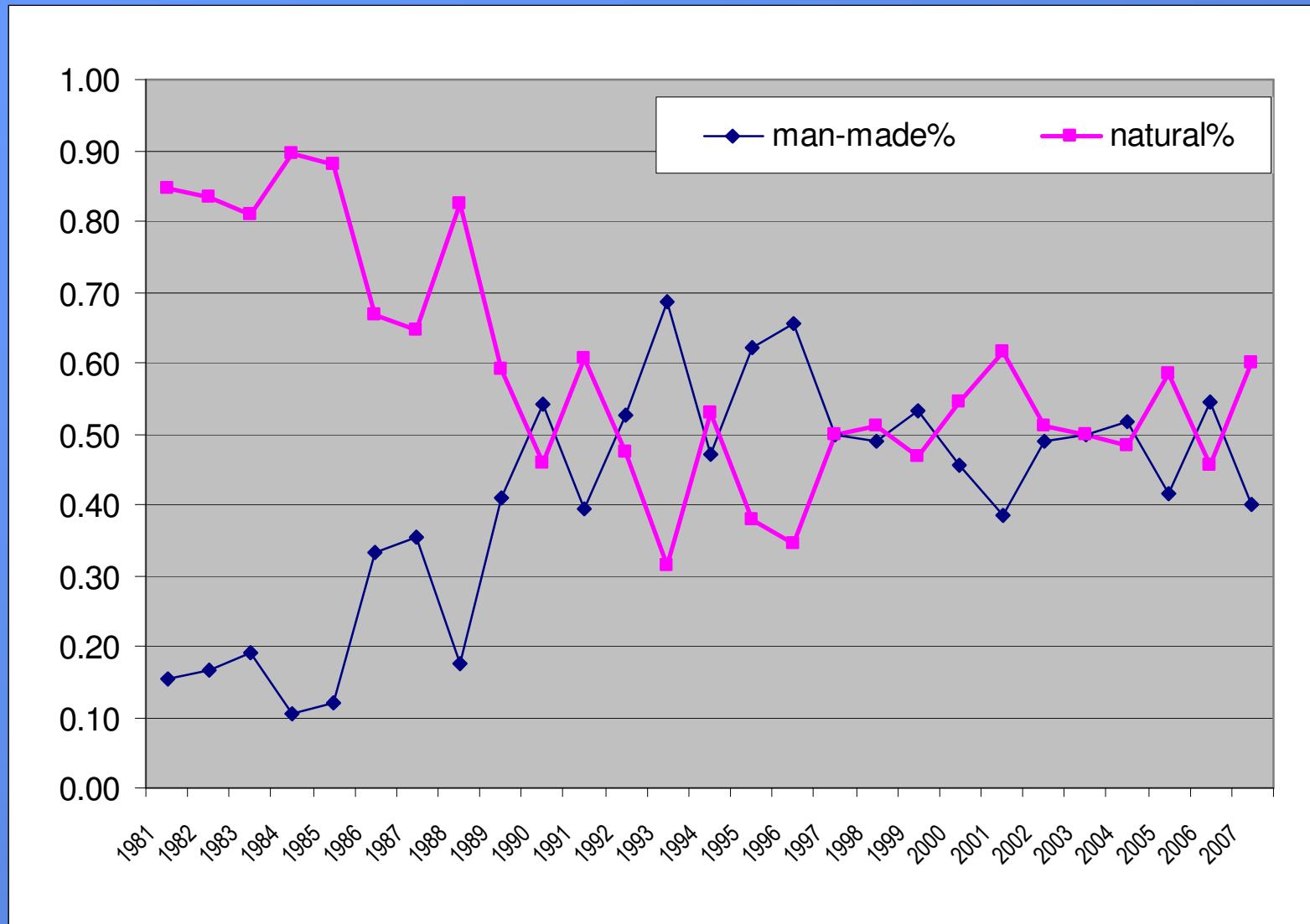
# No. of Countries facing food emergencies, 1986-2007



# Trends in causes for food emergencies, 1986-2007



# Natural vs. Man-made Emergencies



# Proportions of natural disasters

	1980's	1990's	2000's
Quick-Onset	14%	19%	27%
Slow-Onset	86%	81%	73%

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