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The climate crisis is a **force multiplier**¹ of conflict, creating food insecurity, displacement, disease, water scarcity, poverty, violence, and death.

Food insecurity

- **Worldwide:** 148 million children will never reach their physical or intellectual potential because of nutrition deprivation and the climate crisis.²
- **Worldwide:** 2 billion people are food insecure today.³
- **Southern Africa:** Over 24 million people in 2024 face famine and malnutrition due to floods and drought.⁴

Displacement

- **Worldwide:** 1.2 billion people will be displaced by 2050.⁵
- **United States:** 3.2 million adults were displaced by natural disasters in 2022.⁶

Disease

- **Worldwide:** 5 billion people will be at risk of contracting malaria by 2040 due to accelerated mosquito life cycles from warmer temperatures.⁷
- **Nigeria:** 10,837 people were infected with cholera due to massive flooding in 2024.⁸

Water scarcity

- 2.4 billion people today live in countries experiencing water stress.⁹
- 5.4 billion people will live with extreme water stress by 2040.¹⁰

Poverty

- 132 million people are falling below the poverty line because of the climate crisis.¹¹

Violence

- **Darfur, Sudan:** Increased fighting over scarce water led to a genocide. Since 2003, 400,000 people have perished and millions are displaced.¹²
- **Rwanda:** Years of drought and famine led to the deaths of 800,000 people in Rwanda's 1994 genocide.¹³
- **Syria:** Severe drought led to violence in 2011. Over 306,000 people were murdered, 13 million were internally displaced, and 6.7 million people fled from Syria.¹⁴

Death

- **Worldwide:** 730,000 children die daily due to air pollution.¹⁵
- **India:** 464 children die every day in India from air pollution.¹⁶
- **United States:** 92 cold-weather deaths were recorded in one week in January 2024.¹⁷
- **Europe:** 38,000 heat-related deaths occurred in 2022.¹⁸
- **Uganda:** 47 people were buried alive from heavy rains in 2024.¹⁹

- **Part of the Global South:** 107,888 miscarriages occurred every year from 2010-2020 from exposure to flood-borne toxins.²⁰
- **United States:** Heat-related deaths of people older than 65 have increased by 85% since the 1990s.²¹

Economic cost in the US

- At least 492 people died in 2023 from 28 climate disasters in the US, costing \$92.9 billion.²²
- Homeowners' insurance rates rose 33%, 2020 – 2023, because of climate catastrophes.
- Hurricanes Helene and Milton in 2024 led to 90,000 car insurance claims and rising rates.²³
- \$863 billion in lost wages in 2022 was attributed to inability to work due to extreme heat.²⁴

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