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The authors have made a number of significant changes that greatly strengthen the manuscript. The text is much improved, and the additional reporting in Tables 2 and 3 is also helpful.

**Minor Essential Revisions**

1. With the revisions to tables 2 and 3 the format has changed and needs to be improved. Table 2 has far too much repetitive information. The full wording of each food security question, as well as the frequency, do not need to be repeated three different times. It may be more clear to put the food security categories across the top of the table, and the different covariates down the left side. The internal lines in tables 2 and 3 greatly detract from the content. Some lines may be helpful, but not all of them. While the content is helpful, the visual presentation and formatting of tables 2 and 3 are not yet ready for publication. Please look carefully at column widths to minimize white space and fit the data into the tightest space that can be clear.

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**Statistical review:** No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.

**Declaration of competing interests:**

I declare that I have no competing interests.