

Cruden y Varnes (1996) clasificaron los movimientos en masa de acuerdo a la siguiente tabla:

Type of movement			Type of material		
			Bedrock	Engineering soils	
				Predominantly fine	Predominantly coarse
Falls			Rockfall	Earth fall	Debris fall
Topples			Rock topple	Earth topple	Debris topple
Slides	Rotational		Rock slump	Earth slump	Debris slump
	Translational	Few units	Rock block slide	Earth block slide	Debris block slide
		Many units	Rock slide	Earth slide	Debris slide
Lateral spreads			Rock spread	Earth spread	Debris spread
Flows			Rock flow	Earth flow	Debris flow
			Rock avalanche		Debris avalanche
			(Deep creep)	(Soil creep)	
Complex and compound			Combination in time and/or space of two or more principal types of movement		

**Tabla 1. Clasificación de movimientos en masa (Cruden y Varnes 1996).**