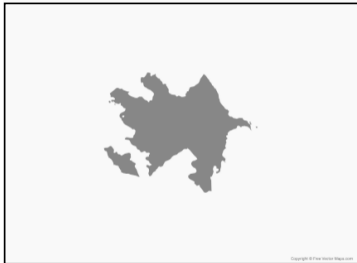


## Region: Former Soviet States



2020 EPI Country Rank (out of 180)

**72**

2020 EPI Score [0=worst, 100=best]

**46.5**

GDP [PPP 2011\$ billions]

**159.2**

GDP *per capita* [\$]

**16,011**

Population [millions]

**9.9**

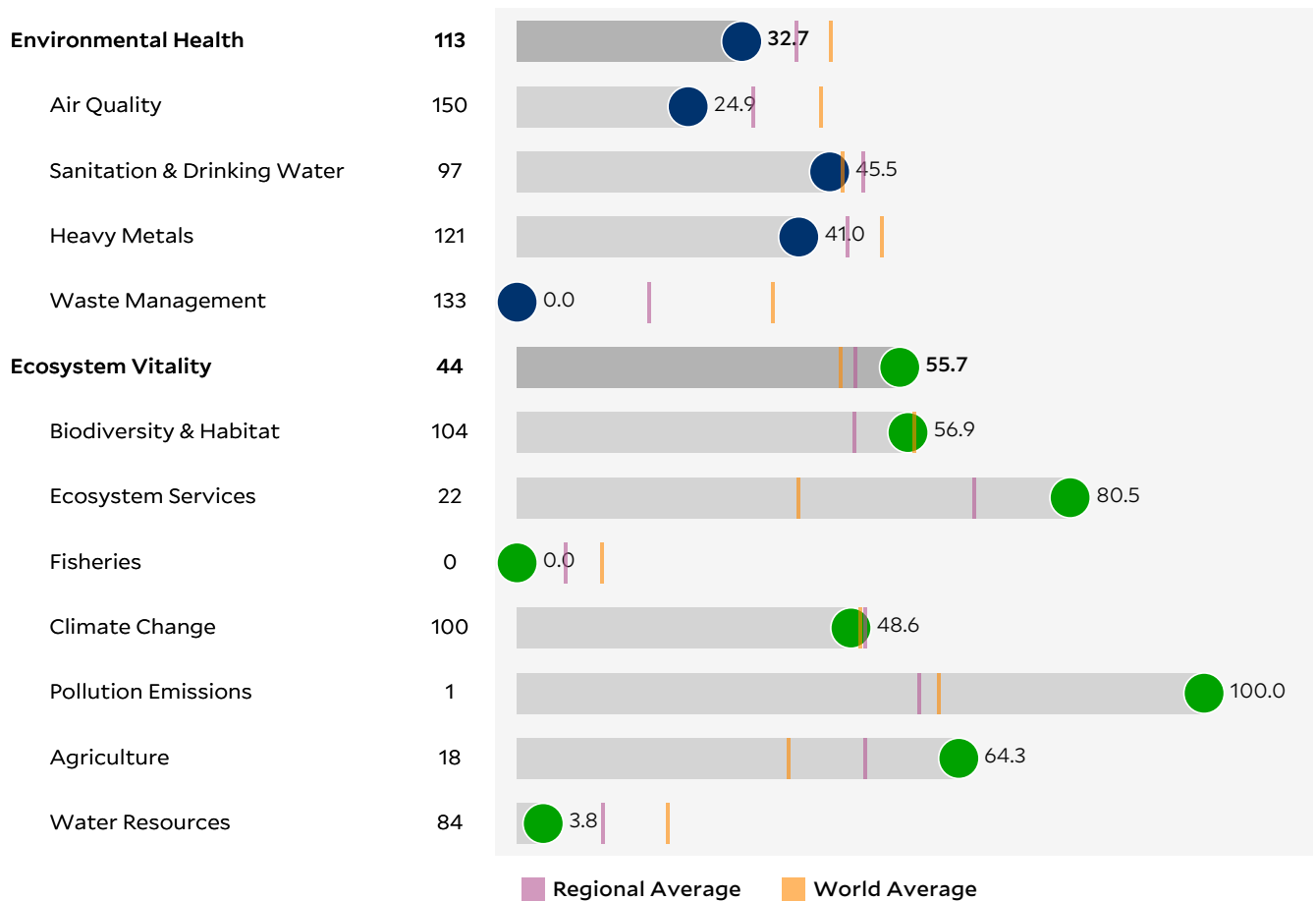
Urbanization [%]

**56.40**

## Country Scorecard

### Issue Categories

### Rank [/180]



Region: Former Soviet States

	Rank	EPI Score	10-Year Change	Regional Rank	Regional Average
<b>Environmental Performance Index</b>	72	46.5	+4.0	5	45.7
<b>Environmental Health</b>	113	32.7	+3.3	10	40.7
<b>Air Quality</b>	150	24.9	+5.0	10	34.3
Household solid fuels	85	40.7	+8.4	7	46.9
PM <sub>2.5</sub> exposure	170	12.7	+3.5	9	24.8
Ozone exposure	134	33.1	-6.2	8	38.2
<b>Sanitation &amp; Drinking Water</b>	97	45.5	+1.5	10	50.5
Unsafe sanitation	105	44.3	+1.5	10	49.0
Unsafe drinking water	84	46.4	+1.6	11	51.5
<b>Heavy Metals</b> / Lead exposure	121	41	+4.4	9	48.0
<b>Waste Management</b> / Controlled solid waste	133	0	-	7	19.1
<b>Ecosystem Vitality</b>	44	55.7	+4.5	2	49.0
<b>Biodiversity &amp; Habitat</b>	104	56.9	+0.1	4	48.9
Terrestrial biomes (nat'l)	124	50.7	+0.1	6	41.5
Terrestrial biomes (global)	109	62.2	+0.1	3	46.2
Marine protected areas	0	0	-	5	14.7
Protected Areas Representativeness Index	141	11.7	+4.1	9	16.5
Species Habitat Index	19	96	-3.3	3	90.4
Species Protection Index	89	77.3	+0.4	5	68.9
Biodiversity Habitat Index	147	44.4	-0.8	10	56.0
<b>Ecosystem Services</b>	22	80.5	+21.0	5	66.4
Tree cover loss	19	80.2	+18.6	6	66.1
Grassland loss	58	65.2	+18.4	3	59.0
Wetland loss	1	100	+65.4	1	77.3
<b>Fisheries</b>	0	0	-	5	7.0
Fish Stock Status	0	0	-	5	7.8
Marine Trophic Index	0	0	-	5	10.7
Fish caught by trawling	0	0	-	5	3.2
<b>Climate Change</b>	100	48.6	+2.6	7	50.5
CO <sub>2</sub> growth rate	86	42.4	-4.1	7	44.6
CH <sub>4</sub> growth rate	138	43.8	+35.9	9	49.9
F-gas growth rate	92	88.9	+27.8	7	88.5
N <sub>2</sub> O growth rate	83	60.9	+46.3	2	33.9
Black Carbon growth rate	130	37.4	-39.2	7	46.9
CO <sub>2</sub> from land cover	1	100	-	1	83.3
Greenhouse gas intensity growth rate	151	27.7	-72.3	10	49.2
Greenhouse gas emissions <i>per capita</i>	109	40.3	-4.9	8	41.5
<b>Pollution Emissions</b>	1	100	+4.9	1	58.4
SO <sub>2</sub> growth rate	1	100	-	1	60.8
NO <sub>x</sub> growth rate	1	100	+9.8	1	55.9
<b>Agriculture</b> / Sustainable Nitrogen Management Index	18	64.3	+13.2	2	50.5
<b>Water Resources</b> / Wastewater treatment	84	3.8	-	9	12.4

Note: three largest increases in green and three largest decreases in red. "-" indicates no change.

# Country Profile

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### Peer Comparisons: EPI Scores for this country and peers based on similar characteristics

EPI Performance	
Trinidad and Tobago	47.5
Panama	47.3
Tunisia	46.7
Azerbaijan	46.5
Paraguay	46.4
Dominican Republic	46.3
Montenegro	46.3
Gabon	45.8
Barbados	45.6
Bosnia and Herzegovina	45.4

GDP per capita	
Serbia	55.2
Costa Rica	52.5
Azerbaijan	46.5
Dominican Republic	46.3
Gabon	45.8
Barbados	45.6
Thailand	45.4
Botswana	40.4
Iraq	39.5
China	37.3

Issue Performance	
Serbia	55.2
Armenia	52.3
Albania	49.0
Iran	48.0
Azerbaijan	46.5
Suriname	45.2
Kazakhstan	44.7
Moldova	44.4
Uzbekistan	44.3
Morocco	42.3

Regulatory Quality	
Tunisia	46.7
Azerbaijan	46.5
Lebanon	45.4
Tonga	45.1
Kyrgyzstan	39.8
Bhutan	39.3
Burkina Faso	38.3
Zambia	34.7
Viet Nam	33.4
Benin	30.0

Voice & Accountability	
Bahrain	51.0
Venezuela	50.3
Cuba	48.4
Azerbaijan	46.5
Uzbekistan	44.3
China	37.3
Dem. Rep. Congo	36.4
Viet Nam	33.4
Djibouti	28.1
Chad	26.7

Political Stability	
Azerbaijan	46.5
Thailand	45.4
Tajikistan	38.2
Zimbabwe	37.0
Uganda	35.6
Nepal	32.7
Papua New Guinea	32.4
Guinea-Bissau	29.1
Mauritania	27.7
Haiti	27.0

Former Soviet States	
Belarus	53.0
Armenia	52.3
Russia	50.5
Ukraine	49.5
Azerbaijan	46.5
Kazakhstan	44.7
Moldova	44.4
Uzbekistan	44.3
Turkmenistan	43.9
Georgia	41.3

Landlocked Developing Countries	
Armenia	52.3
Azerbaijan	46.5
Paraguay	46.4
Kazakhstan	44.7
Moldova	44.4
Bolivia	44.3
Uzbekistan	44.3
Turkmenistan	43.9
Botswana	40.4
Kyrgyzstan	39.8

Ease of Doing Business Index	
Italy	71.0
Cyprus	64.8
Hungary	63.7
Croatia	63.1
Serbia	55.2
Armenia	52.3
Azerbaijan	46.5
Montenegro	46.3
Moldova	44.4
China	37.3

**Note:** 'Issue Performance' based on *k*-nearest neighbors analysis of EPI issue categories.

**Sources:** GDP *per capita*, Worldwide Governance Indicators, and Ease of Doing Business Index from World Bank DataBank. Urbanization rate from UN, Dept. of Economic and Social Affairs, Population Division.