

Region: Latin America & Caribbean



2020 EPI Country Rank (out of 180)

101

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

41.9

GDP [PPP 2011\$ billions]

2.9

GDP *per capita* [\$]

7,674

Population [millions]

0.4

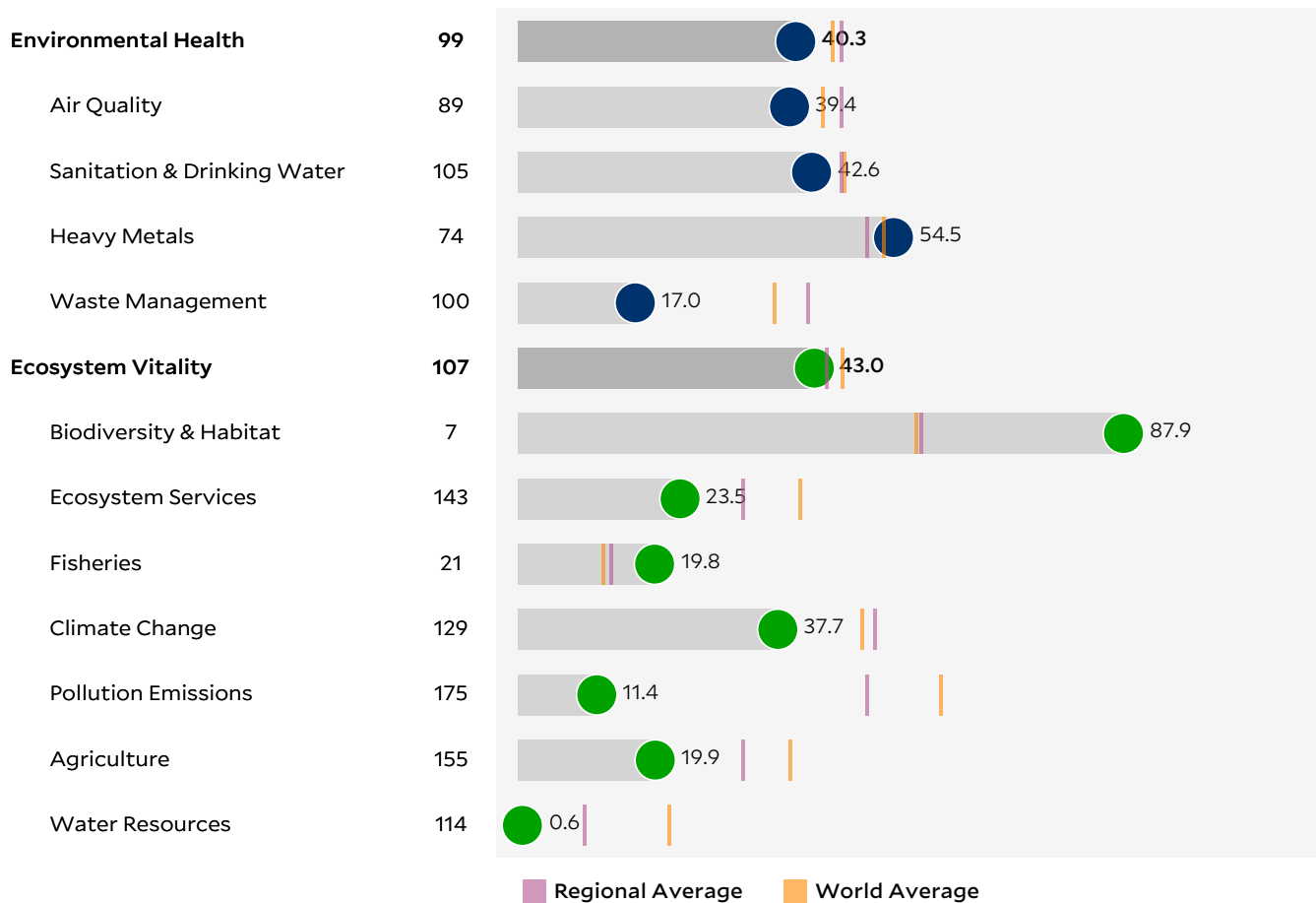
Urbanization [%]

46.03

Country Scorecard

Issue Categories

Rank [/180]



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	Rank	EPI Score	10-Year Change	Regional Rank	Regional Average
Environmental Performance Index	101	41.9	-2.0	27	45.6
Environmental Health	99	40.3	+1.1	24	46.8
Air Quality	89	39.4	-0.1	25	46.9
Household solid fuels	97	37.1	+5.2	26	48.0
PM _{2.5} exposure	92	40.2	-3.7	22	44.3
Ozone exposure	67	48.6	-3.0	26	65.7
Sanitation & Drinking Water	105	42.6	+2.4	24	47.0
Unsafe sanitation	97	47.4	+3.5	20	52.0
Unsafe drinking water	106	39.5	+1.7	25	43.6
Heavy Metals / Lead exposure	74	54.5	+5.0	13	50.8
Waste Management / Controlled solid waste	100	17	-	24	42.2
Ecosystem Vitality	107	43	-4.1	21	44.7
Biodiversity & Habitat	7	87.9	+1.5	1	58.4
Terrestrial biomes (nat'l)	50	99.3	+0.5	4	73.3
Terrestrial biomes (global)	60	96.6	+2.8	7	71.4
Marine protected areas	1	100	+27.7	1	31.7
Protected Areas Representativeness Index	1	98.6	+9.2	1	52.4
Species Habitat Index	147	35.9	-54.1	21	62.6
Species Protection Index	31	95.2	+0.1	1	67.3
Biodiversity Habitat Index	69	57.2	-2.5	11	52.6
Ecosystem Services	143	23.5	-7.2	26	32.6
Tree cover loss	130	21.4	-9.2	25	30.3
Grassland loss	148	39.4	+4.7	28	59.4
Wetland loss	104	44.2	+16.7	17	49.6
Fisheries	21	19.8	-	3	13.4
Fish Stock Status	0	0	-	32	9.2
Marine Trophic Index	41	19.8	-	4	15.5
Fish caught by trawling	0	0	-	31	15.1
Climate Change	129	37.7	-5.4	29	51.7
CO ₂ growth rate	90	41.6	-1.8	19	44.8
CH ₄ growth rate	132	46.5	+10.4	26	65.2
F-gas growth rate	0	0	-	32	90.2
N ₂ O growth rate	174	0	-39.5	32	58.1
Black Carbon growth rate	163	11.1	-39.3	26	45.5
CO ₂ from land cover	105	42.9	-	26	61.3
Greenhouse gas intensity growth rate	166	17.7	-27.4	29	39.1
Greenhouse gas emissions <i>per capita</i>	72	63.2	-3.5	10	50.8
Pollution Emissions	175	11.4	-22.6	32	50.5
SO ₂ growth rate	167	22.7	-45.3	31	55.7
NO _x growth rate	176	0	-	32	45.3
Agriculture / Sustainable Nitrogen Management Index	155	19.9	-10.1	25	32.7
Water Resources / Wastewater treatment	114	0.6	-	26	9.7

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	
Egypt	43.3
El Salvador	43.1
Grenada	43.1
Saint Lucia	43.1
South Africa	43.1
Turkey	42.6
Morocco	42.3
Belize	41.9
Georgia	41.3
Botswana	40.4

GDP per capita	
Ukraine	49.5
Jamaica	48.2
Uzbekistan	44.3
Bolivia	44.3
El Salvador	43.1
Morocco	42.3
Belize	41.9
Philippines	38.4
Guyana	35.9
Guatemala	31.8

Issue Performance	
Ecuador	51.0
Venezuela	50.3
Bahamas	43.5
Belize	41.9
Zimbabwe	37.0
Dem. Rep. Congo	36.4
Uganda	35.6
Zambia	34.7
Republic of Congo	30.8
Côte d'Ivoire	25.8

Regulatory Quality	
Belarus	53.0
Suriname	45.2
Belize	41.9
Nicaragua	39.2
Malawi	38.3
Pakistan	33.1
Niger	30.8
Togo	29.5
Djibouti	28.1
Gambia	27.9

Voice & Accountability	
Romania	64.7
Croatia	63.1
Brazil	51.2
Grenada	43.1
Belize	41.9
Botswana	40.4
Namibia	40.2
Vanuatu	28.9
India	27.6
Solomon Islands	26.7

Political Stability	
United Kingdom	81.3
Romania	64.7
Argentina	52.2
Dominican Republic	46.3
Kazakhstan	44.7
Turkmenistan	43.9
Belize	41.9
Gambia	27.9
Ghana	27.6
Sierra Leone	25.7

Latin America & Caribbean	
Suriname	45.2
Dominica	44.6
Bolivia	44.3
Peru	44.0
Bahamas	43.5
Grenada	43.1
Saint Lucia	43.1
El Salvador	43.1
Belize	41.9
Nicaragua	39.2

Small Island Developing States	
Barbados	45.6
Suriname	45.2
Mauritius	45.1
Tonga	45.1
Dominica	44.6
Bahamas	43.5
Grenada	43.1
Saint Lucia	43.1
Belize	41.9
Kiribati	37.7

Ease of Doing Business Index	
Lebanon	45.4
Belize	41.9
Nicaragua	39.2
Tajikistan	38.2
Honduras	37.8
Guyana	35.9
Mozambique	33.9
Pakistan	33.1
Togo	29.5
Solomon Islands	26.7

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.