

Country Profile

CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC

Region: Sub-Saharan Africa



2020 EPI Country Rank (out of 180)

124

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

36.9

GDP [PPP 2011\$ billions]

3.6

GDP *per capita* [\$]

763

Population [millions]

4.7

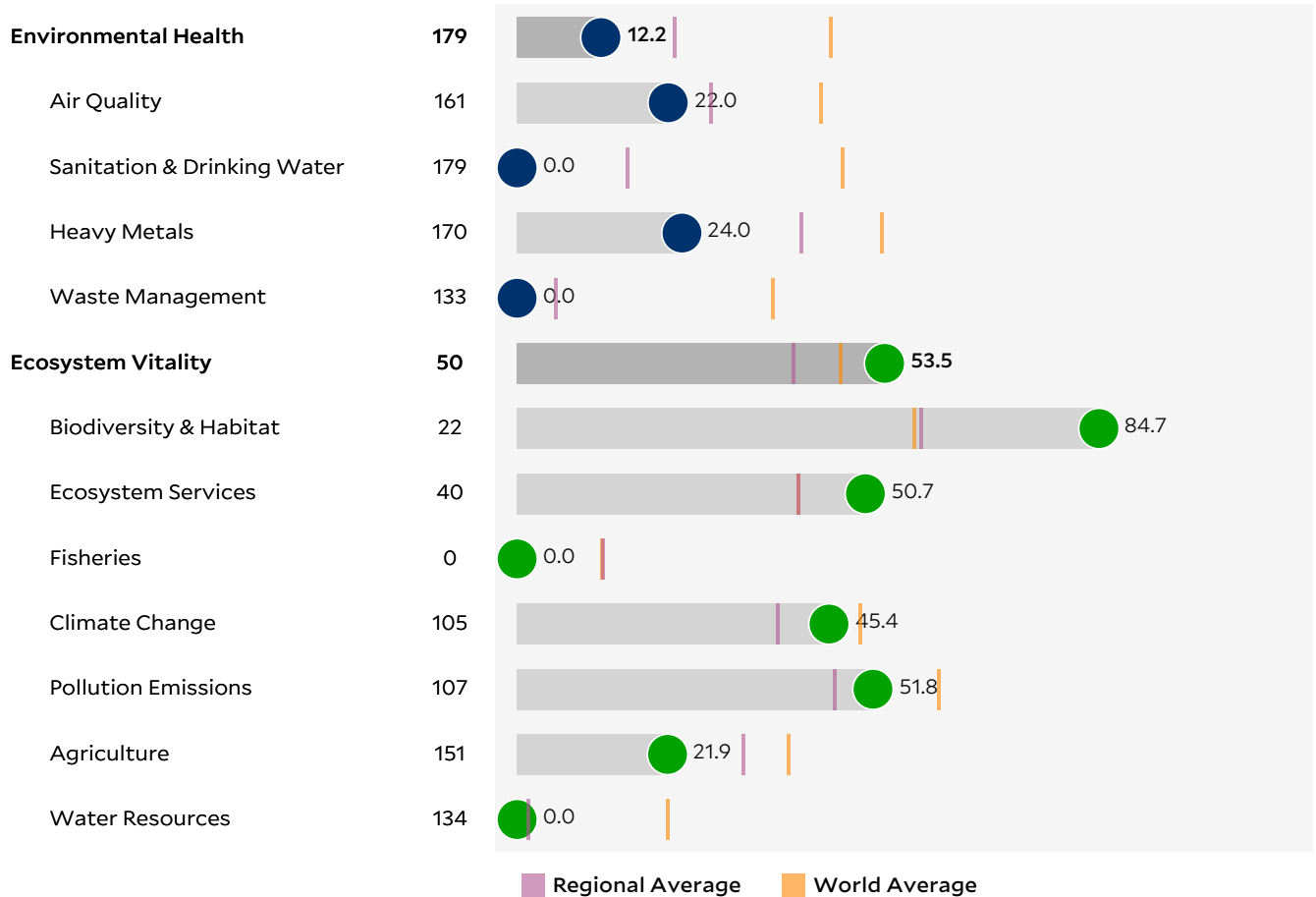
Urbanization [%]

42.20

Country Scorecard

Issue Categories

Rank [/180]



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	Rank	EPI Score	10-Year Change	Regional Rank	Regional Average
Environmental Performance Index	124	36.9	-3.9	12	33.2
Environmental Health	179	12.2	-0.1	45	22.7
Air Quality	161	22	-0.4	37	28.0
Household solid fuels	179	2.8	+1.8	46	16.1
PM _{2.5} exposure	103	36.8	-1.7	24	35.9
Ozone exposure	175	12.5	-4.2	46	36.4
Sanitation & Drinking Water	179	0	-	45	15.9
Unsafe sanitation	179	0	-	45	16.7
Unsafe drinking water	179	0	-	45	15.4
Heavy Metals / Lead exposure	170	24	+2.0	45	41.4
Waste Management / Controlled solid waste	133	0	-	21	5.7
Ecosystem Vitality	50	53.5	-6.2	4	40.2
Biodiversity & Habitat	22	84.7	+1.0	5	58.6
Terrestrial biomes (nat'l)	57	97	-	17	69.0
Terrestrial biomes (global)	57	97	-	17	71.3
Marine protected areas	0	0	-	32	14.5
Protected Areas Representativeness Index	72	34.1	+9.8	17	30.4
Species Habitat Index	6	98.5	-1.2	1	84.3
Species Protection Index	48	91.7	-	9	75.7
Biodiversity Habitat Index	43	65.5	-0.6	12	55.6
Ecosystem Services	40	50.7	-2.0	11	40.8
Tree cover loss	34	48.6	-4.4	9	36.7
Grassland loss	21	95.9	+24.1	5	55.2
Wetland loss	114	42.7	+14.5	35	63.0
Fisheries	0	0	-	32	12.3
Fish Stock Status	0	0	-	27	13.7
Marine Trophic Index	0	0	-	31	13.3
Fish caught by trawling	0	0	-	13	5.9
Climate Change	105	45.4	-10.5	13	37.8
CO ₂ growth rate	100	38.6	-17.2	9	24.8
CH ₄ growth rate	77	72	+19.2	14	54.5
F-gas growth rate	0	0	-	21	89.8
N ₂ O growth rate	48	71.3	+19.2	12	53.0
Black Carbon growth rate	75	61.1	-18.2	7	42.4
CO ₂ from land cover	102	43.7	-	16	37.3
Greenhouse gas intensity growth rate	175	0	-59.0	44	54.2
Greenhouse gas emissions <i>per capita</i>	97	44.7	+2.4	41	75.6
Pollution Emissions	107	51.8	-26.3	16	46.1
SO ₂ growth rate	111	55.7	-44.3	18	50.2
NO _x growth rate	99	47.9	-8.3	15	42.0
Agriculture / Sustainable Nitrogen Management Index	151	21.9	-4.2	38	32.9
Water Resources / Wastewater treatment	134	0	-	22	1.5

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

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

EPI Performance	
Honduras	37.8
Indonesia	37.8
Kiribati	37.7
São Tomé and Príncipe	37.6
China	37.3
Samoa	37.3
Qatar	37.1
Zimbabwe	37.0
Central African Republic	36.9
Dem. Rep. Congo	36.4

GDP per capita	
Malawi	38.3
Central African Republic	36.9
Dem. Rep. Congo	36.4
Mozambique	33.9
Niger	30.8
Togo	29.5
Guinea-Bissau	29.1
Burundi	27.0
Sierra Leone	25.7
Liberia	22.6

Issue Performance	
Botswana	40.4
Namibia	40.2
Malawi	38.3
Equatorial Guinea	38.1
Zimbabwe	37.0
Central African Republic	36.9
Dem. Rep. Congo	36.4
Mozambique	33.9
Togo	29.5
Guinea-Bissau	29.1

Regulatory Quality	
Cuba	48.4
Iran	48.0
Algeria	44.8
Iraq	39.5
Equatorial Guinea	38.1
Central African Republic	36.9
Dem. Rep. Congo	36.4
Republic of Congo	30.8
Guinea-Bissau	29.1
Haiti	27.0

Voice & Accountability	
United Arab Emirates	55.6
Kazakhstan	44.7
Qatar	37.1
Zimbabwe	37.0
Central African Republic	36.9
Ethiopia	34.4
Rwanda	33.8
Cambodia	33.6
Cameroon	33.6
Republic of Congo	30.8

Political Stability	
Ukraine	49.5
Lebanon	45.4
Iraq	39.5
Central African Republic	36.9
Dem. Rep. Congo	36.4
Sudan	34.8
Pakistan	33.1
Nigeria	31.0
Mali	29.4
Afghanistan	25.5

Sub-Saharan Africa	
Burkina Faso	38.3
Malawi	38.3
Equatorial Guinea	38.1
São Tomé and Príncipe	37.6
Zimbabwe	37.0
Central African Republic	36.9
Dem. Rep. Congo	36.4
Uganda	35.6
Kenya	34.7
Zambia	34.7

Least Developed Countries	
Burkina Faso	38.3
Malawi	38.3
Kiribati	37.7
São Tomé and Príncipe	37.6
Central African Republic	36.9
Dem. Rep. Congo	36.4
Uganda	35.6
Timor-Leste	35.3
Laos	34.8
Sudan	34.8

Ease of Doing Business Index	
Venezuela	50.3
Equatorial Guinea	38.1
Central African Republic	36.9
Dem. Rep. Congo	36.4
Timor-Leste	35.3
Republic of Congo	30.8
Angola	29.7
Bangladesh	29.0
Haiti	27.0
Chad	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.