

Region: Greater Middle East

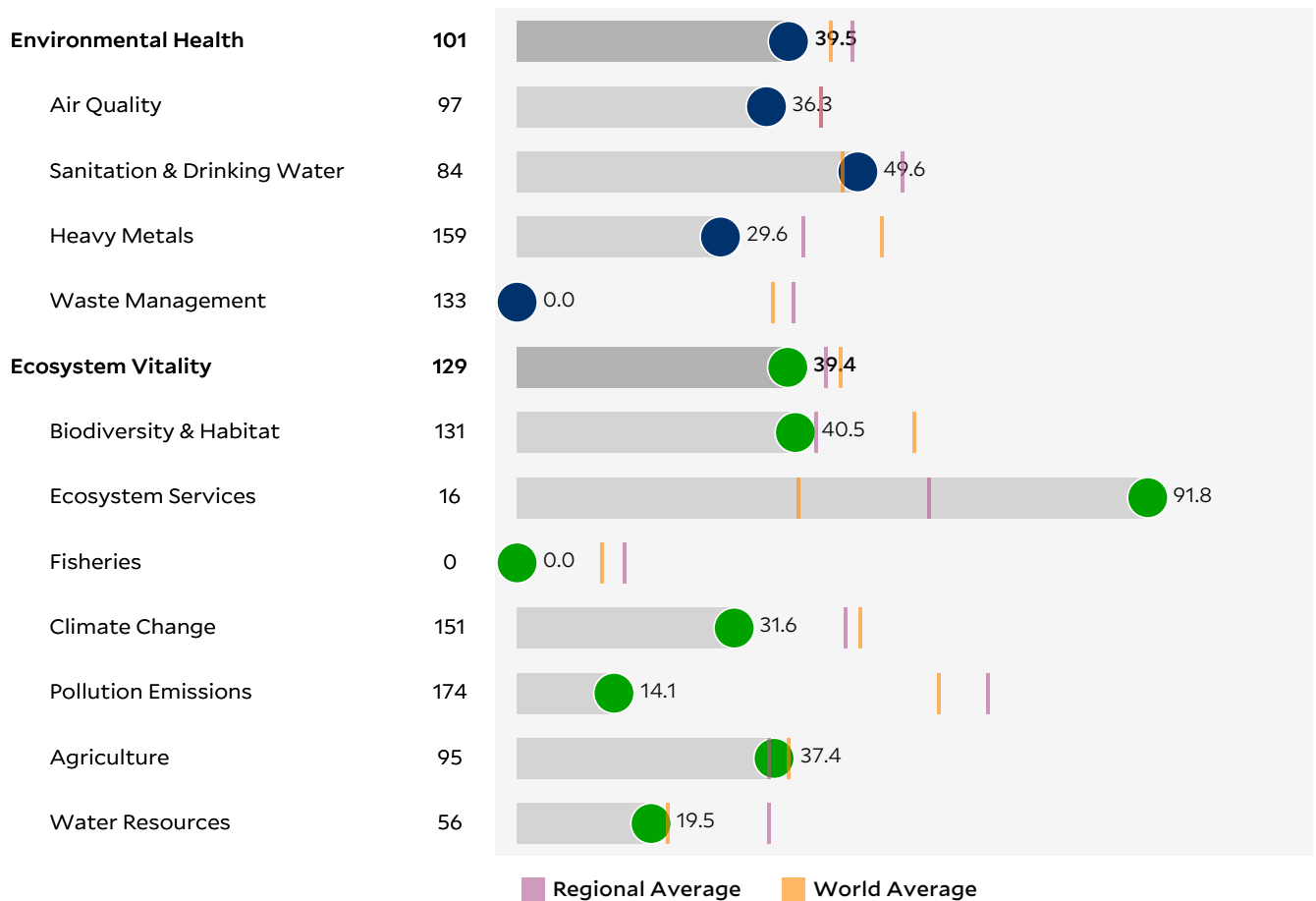


2020 EPI Country Rank (out of 180)	GDP [PPP 2011\$ billions]	594.6
106	GDP <i>per capita</i> [\$]	15,471
2020 EPI Score [0=worst, 100=best]	Population [millions]	38.4
39.5	Urbanization [%]	70.89

Country Scorecard

Issue Categories

Rank [/180]



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	Rank	EPI Score	10-Year Change	Regional Rank	Regional Average
Environmental Performance Index	106	39.5	+0.2	13	46.5
Environmental Health	101	39.5	+11.2	13	48.7
Air Quality	97	36.3	+13.1	13	44.3
Household solid fuels	45	75.7	+24.1	13	79.5
PM _{2.5} exposure	178	7.3	+6.1	15	19.8
Ozone exposure	101	40	+1.4	4	32.6
Sanitation & Drinking Water	84	49.6	+11.1	13	56.2
Unsafe sanitation	78	55.5	+14.4	13	65.9
Unsafe drinking water	87	45.8	+9.0	13	49.7
Heavy Metals / Lead exposure	159	29.6	+4.6	12	41.6
Waste Management / Controlled solid waste	133	0	-	14	40.3
Ecosystem Vitality	129	39.4	-7.3	14	45.0
Biodiversity & Habitat	131	40.5	+12.0	8	43.5
Terrestrial biomes (nat'l)	168	8.6	+5.3	16	45.4
Terrestrial biomes (global)	128	49.8	+32.2	6	44.3
Marine protected areas	0	0	-	15	18.2
Protected Areas Representativeness Index	174	2.7	+2.5	15	9.8
Species Habitat Index	7	98.1	-1.6	2	89.2
Species Protection Index	138	37.2	+21.1	13	55.5
Biodiversity Habitat Index	28	69.5	-0.6	9	66.2
Ecosystem Services	16	91.8	+35.6	4	59.9
Tree cover loss	11	96.3	+36.8	2	57.4
Grassland loss	109	49.4	+26.5	9	67.5
Wetland loss	78	54.9	+25.1	9	71.5
Fisheries	0	0	-	15	15.5
Fish Stock Status	0	0	-	10	14.1
Marine Trophic Index	0	0	-	15	17.2
Fish caught by trawling	0	0	-	4	5.8
Climate Change	151	31.6	-26.8	15	47.8
CO ₂ growth rate	165	8	-35.8	16	43.0
CH ₄ growth rate	111	56	-27.2	5	50.3
F-gas growth rate	1	100	-	1	93.2
N ₂ O growth rate	79	62	-21.1	3	43.4
Black Carbon growth rate	136	34.5	+2.0	11	46.8
CO ₂ from land cover	81	53.5	-	3	34.0
Greenhouse gas intensity growth rate	142	33	-34.4	13	51.4
Greenhouse gas emissions <i>per capita</i>	115	37	-17.1	8	32.8
Pollution Emissions	174	14.1	-56.2	16	68.4
SO ₂ growth rate	173	7.2	-92.8	16	76.4
NO _x growth rate	155	21.1	-19.5	15	60.3
Agriculture / Sustainable Nitrogen Management Index	95	37.4	+9.2	7	36.5
Water Resources / Wastewater treatment	56	19.5	-	10	36.7

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

Country Profile

IRAQ

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

EPI Performance	
Botswana	40.4
Namibia	40.2
Kyrgyzstan	39.8
Iraq	39.5
Bhutan	39.3
Nicaragua	39.2
Sri Lanka	39.0
Oman	38.5
Philippines	38.4
Burkina Faso	38.3

GDP per capita	
Serbia	55.2
Costa Rica	52.5
Brazil	51.2
Azerbaijan	46.5
Dominican Republic	46.3
Gabon	45.8
Barbados	45.6
Botswana	40.4
Iraq	39.5
China	37.3

Issue Performance	
Turkmenistan	43.9
Georgia	41.3
Kyrgyzstan	39.8
Iraq	39.5
Oman	38.5
Tajikistan	38.2
São Tomé and Príncipe	37.6
Guyana	35.9
Nepal	32.7
Afghanistan	25.5

Regulatory Quality	
Iran	48.0
Algeria	44.8
Uzbekistan	44.3
Iraq	39.5
Comoros	32.1
Marshall Islands	30.8
Guinea-Bissau	29.1
Haiti	27.0
Chad	26.7
Afghanistan	25.5

Voice & Accountability	
Russia	50.5
Gabon	45.8
Thailand	45.4
Algeria	44.8
Iraq	39.5
Nicaragua	39.2
Oman	38.5
Angola	29.7
Afghanistan	25.5
Myanmar	25.1

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

Greater Middle East	
Tunisia	46.7
Lebanon	45.4
Algeria	44.8
Saudi Arabia	44.0
Egypt	43.3
Morocco	42.3
Iraq	39.5
Oman	38.5
Qatar	37.1
Sudan	34.8

OPEC	
Venezuela	50.3
Iran	48.0
Gabon	45.8
Algeria	44.8
Saudi Arabia	44.0
Iraq	39.5
Equatorial Guinea	38.1
Nigeria	31.0
Republic of Congo	30.8
Angola	29.7

Ease of Doing Business Index	
Gabon	45.8
Iraq	39.5
Kiribati	37.7
Cameroon	33.6
Guinea-Bissau	29.1
Bangladesh	29.0
Burundi	27.0
Afghanistan	25.5
Myanmar	25.1
Liberia	22.6

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.