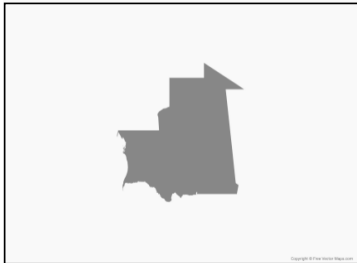


Country Profile MAURITANIA

Region: Sub-Saharan Africa



2020 EPI Country Rank (out of 180)

167

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

27.7

GDP [PPP 2011\$ billions]

16.2

GDP *per capita* [\$]

3,683

Population [millions]

4.4

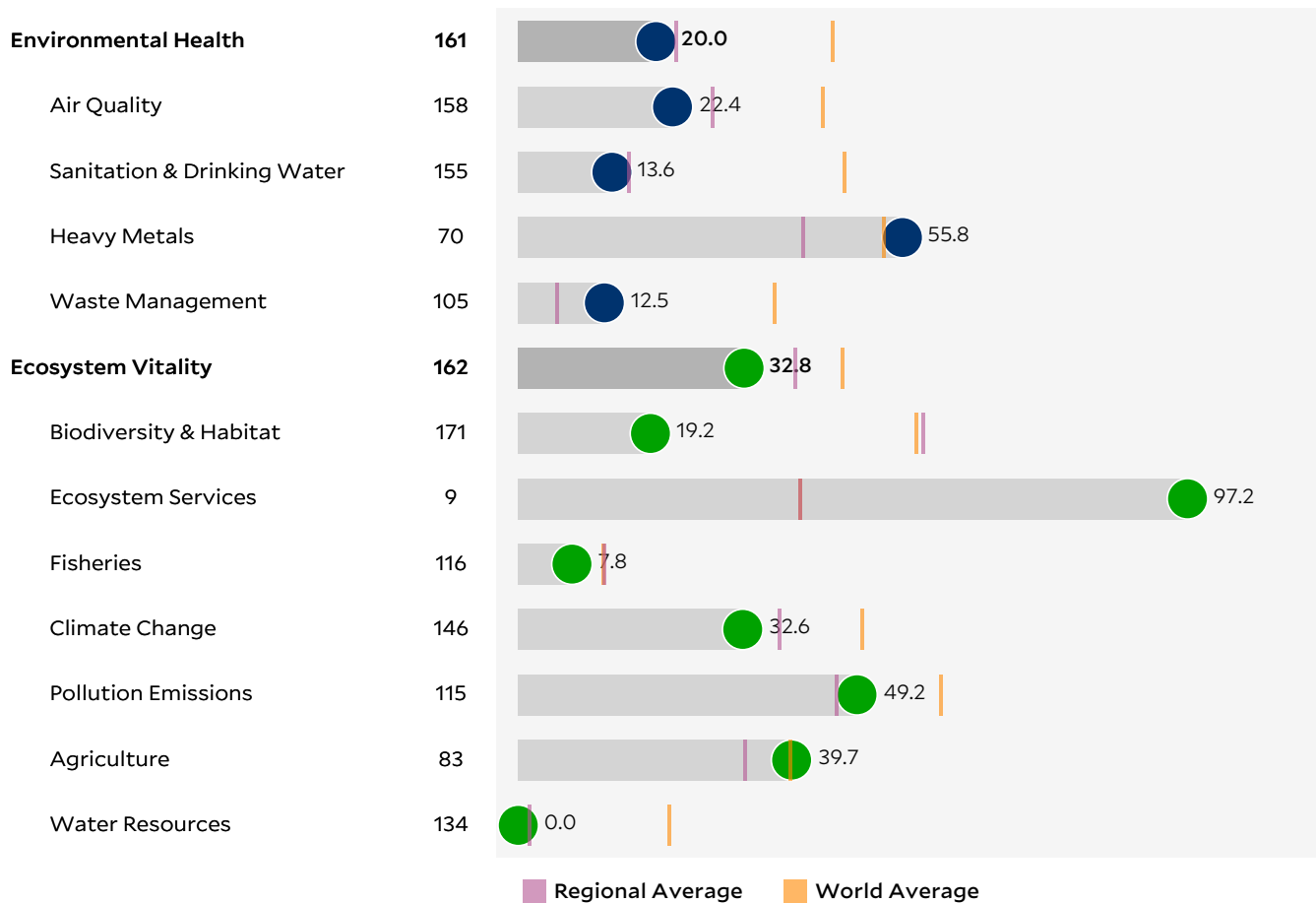
Urbanization [%]

55.33

Country Scorecard

Issue Categories

Rank [/180]



Region: Sub-Saharan Africa

	Rank	EPI Score	10-Year Change	Regional Rank	Regional Average
Environmental Performance Index	167	27.7	+0.3	38	33.2
Environmental Health	161	20	+3.2	30	22.7
Air Quality	158	22.4	+0.3	34	28.0
Household solid fuels	123	19.8	+5.6	10	16.1
PM _{2.5} exposure	150	22	-2.3	36	35.9
Ozone exposure	70	47.7	-14.3	7	36.4
Sanitation & Drinking Water	155	13.6	+7.2	21	15.9
Unsafe sanitation	157	13.7	+7.3	24	16.7
Unsafe drinking water	157	13.4	+7.0	23	15.4
Heavy Metals / Lead exposure	70	55.8	+4.7	5	41.4
Waste Management / Controlled solid waste	105	12.5	-	3	5.7
Ecosystem Vitality	162	32.8	-1.6	38	40.2
Biodiversity & Habitat	171	19.2	-0.2	45	58.6
Terrestrial biomes (nat'l)	173	3.6	-	45	69.0
Terrestrial biomes (global)	173	3	-	45	71.3
Marine protected areas	113	0.1	-	19	14.5
Protected Areas Representativeness Index	168	4.6	+3.0	45	30.4
Species Habitat Index	28	94.5	-4.8	9	84.3
Species Protection Index	155	1.4	-	41	75.7
Biodiversity Habitat Index	6	78	-0.3	1	55.6
Ecosystem Services	9	97.2	+1.1	3	40.8
Tree cover loss	1	100	-	1	36.7
Grassland loss	94	53.6	+19.7	19	55.2
Wetland loss	36	90.9	+2.2	12	63.0
Fisheries	116	7.8	-1.8	26	12.3
Fish Stock Status	32	14.7	-8.2	11	13.7
Marine Trophic Index	121	4.2	-	28	13.3
Fish caught by trawling	51	3.9	+3.7	7	5.9
Climate Change	146	32.6	-2.9	29	37.8
CO ₂ growth rate	143	21.5	-	27	24.8
CH ₄ growth rate	155	32.6	-8.1	33	54.5
F-gas growth rate	94	88.7	+40.2	15	89.8
N ₂ O growth rate	142	35.7	-18.6	36	53.0
Black Carbon growth rate	121	41.5	-58.5	28	42.4
CO ₂ from land cover	159	0	-	38	37.3
Greenhouse gas intensity growth rate	138	33.7	-37.6	37	54.2
Greenhouse gas emissions <i>per capita</i>	85	58.6	+0.6	37	75.6
Pollution Emissions	115	49.2	-21.9	21	46.1
SO ₂ growth rate	112	55.1	-44.9	19	50.2
NO _x growth rate	112	43.4	+1.3	24	42.0
Agriculture / Sustainable Nitrogen Management Index	83	39.7	+14.5	12	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.

Country Profile

MAURITANIA

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

EPI Performance	
Djibouti	28.1
Lesotho	28.0
Gambia	27.9
Mauritania	27.7
Ghana	27.6
India	27.6
Burundi	27.0
Haiti	27.0
Chad	26.7
Solomon Islands	26.7

GDP per capita	
Kyrgyzstan	39.8
Zambia	34.7
Cambodia	33.6
Cameroon	33.6
Papua New Guinea	32.4
Marshall Islands	30.8
Senegal	30.7
Bangladesh	29.0
Mauritania	27.7
Côte d'Ivoire	25.8

Issue Performance	
Turkmenistan	43.9
Kyrgyzstan	39.8
Iraq	39.5
São Tomé and Príncipe	37.6
Pakistan	33.1
Cabo Verde	32.8
Eritrea	30.4
Djibouti	28.1
Gambia	27.9
Mauritania	27.7

Regulatory Quality	
Egypt	43.3
Kiribati	37.7
São Tomé and Príncipe	37.6
Timor-Leste	35.3
Laos	34.8
Cameroon	33.6
Bangladesh	29.0
Mauritania	27.7
Solomon Islands	26.7
Guinea	26.4

Voice & Accountability	
Brunei Darussalam	54.8
Gabon	45.8
Turkey	42.6
Pakistan	33.1
Angola	29.7
Togo	29.5
Mauritania	27.7
Haiti	27.0
Guinea	26.4
Myanmar	25.1

Political Stability	
Azerbaijan	46.5
Tajikistan	38.2
Zimbabwe	37.0
Uganda	35.6
Nepal	32.7
Papua New Guinea	32.4
Eritrea	30.4
Guinea-Bissau	29.1
Mauritania	27.7
Haiti	27.0

Sub-Saharan Africa	
Guinea-Bissau	29.1
Djibouti	28.1
Lesotho	28.0
Gambia	27.9
Mauritania	27.7
Ghana	27.6
Burundi	27.0
Chad	26.7
Madagascar	26.5
Guinea	26.4

Least Developed Countries	
Vanuatu	28.9
Djibouti	28.1
Lesotho	28.0
Gambia	27.9
Mauritania	27.7
Burundi	27.0
Haiti	27.0
Solomon Islands	26.7
Chad	26.7
Madagascar	26.5

Ease of Doing Business Index	
Algeria	44.8
Burkina Faso	38.3
Zimbabwe	37.0
Laos	34.8
Sudan	34.8
Micronesia	33.0
Marshall Islands	30.8
Gambia	27.9
Mauritania	27.7
Guinea	26.4

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.