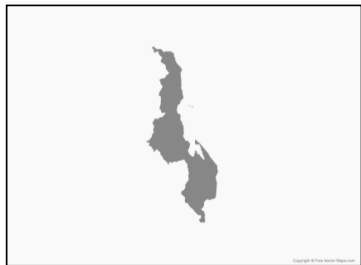


Region: Sub-Saharan Africa

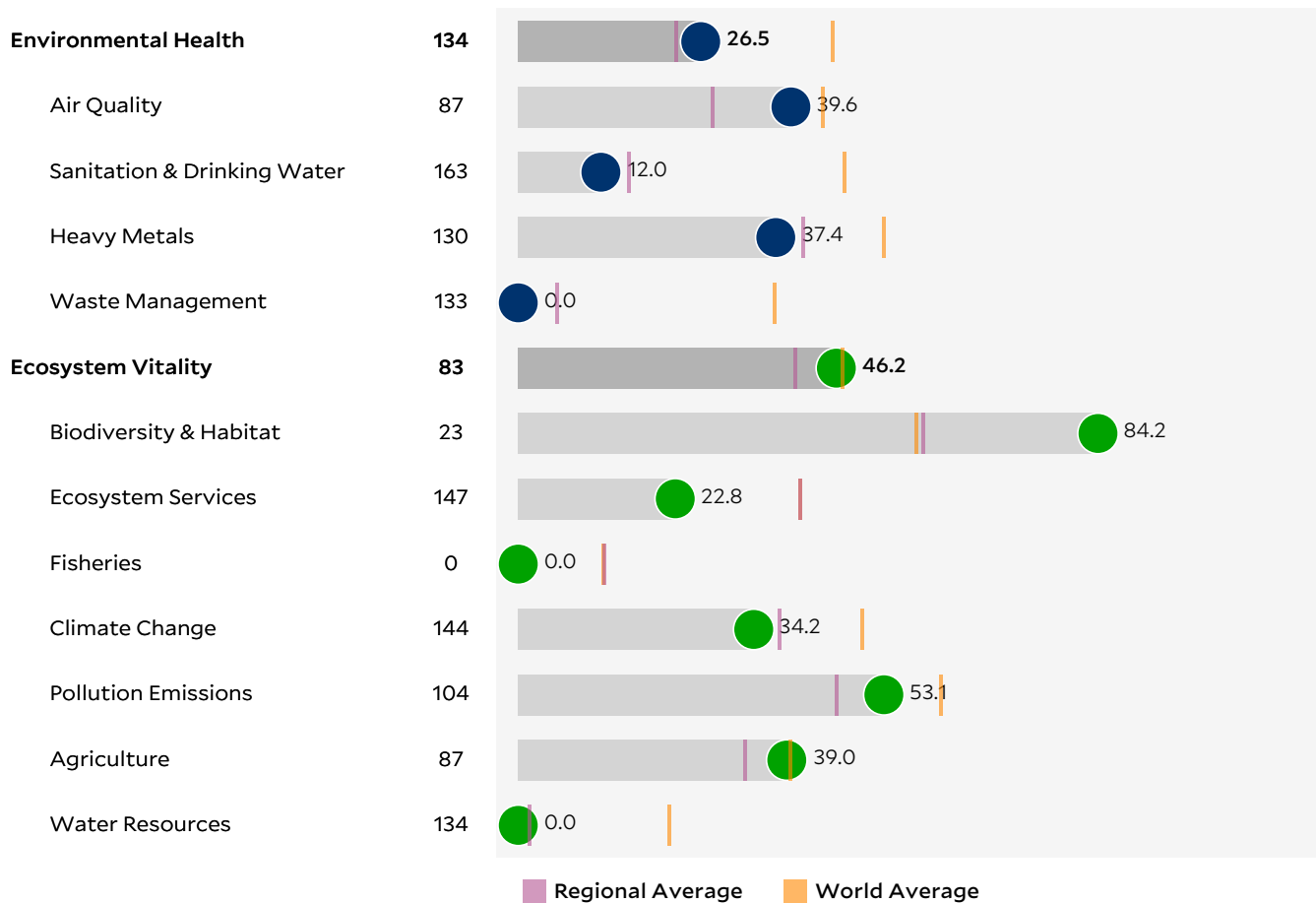


2020 EPI Country Rank (out of 180)	GDP [PPP 2011\$ billions]	21.1
112	GDP <i>per capita</i> [\$]	1,163
2020 EPI Score [0=worst, 100=best]	Population [millions]	18.1
38.3	Urbanization [%]	17.43

Country Scorecard

Issue Categories

Rank [/180]



Region: Sub-Saharan Africa

	Rank	EPI Score	10-Year Change	Regional Rank	Regional Average
Environmental Performance Index	112	38.3	-2.6	7	33.2
Environmental Health	134	26.5	+2.8	11	22.7
Air Quality	87	39.6	+1.2	4	28.0
Household solid fuels	162	9.3	+2.8	34	16.1
PM _{2.5} exposure	33	61.2	+0.7	2	35.9
Ozone exposure	84	43.5	-7.0	10	36.4
Sanitation & Drinking Water	163	12	+4.6	29	15.9
Unsafe sanitation	163	12	+4.6	29	16.7
Unsafe drinking water	162	12	+4.6	28	15.4
Heavy Metals / Lead exposure	130	37.4	+5.6	26	41.4
Waste Management / Controlled solid waste	133	0	-	21	5.7
Ecosystem Vitality	83	46.2	-6.2	10	40.2
Biodiversity & Habitat	23	84.2	-	6	58.6
Terrestrial biomes (nat'l)	1	100	-	1	69.0
Terrestrial biomes (global)	1	100	-	1	71.3
Marine protected areas	0	0	-	37	14.5
Protected Areas Representativeness Index	54	41.1	+4.4	9	30.4
Species Habitat Index	37	92.8	-4.4	13	84.3
Species Protection Index	54	89.2	-	11	75.7
Biodiversity Habitat Index	102	50.7	-0.3	28	55.6
Ecosystem Services	147	22.8	-5.6	37	40.8
Tree cover loss	138	20.2	-8.4	33	36.7
Grassland loss	153	37.9	+12.7	39	55.2
Wetland loss	80	54.5	+26.1	28	63.0
Fisheries	0	0	-	37	12.3
Fish Stock Status	0	0	-	36	13.7
Marine Trophic Index	0	0	-	36	13.3
Fish caught by trawling	0	0	-	28	5.9
Climate Change	144	34.2	-14.1	27	37.8
CO ₂ growth rate	104	37.3	-18.1	10	24.8
CH ₄ growth rate	173	14.8	-8.2	44	54.5
F-gas growth rate	0	0	-	32	89.8
N ₂ O growth rate	171	13.1	+3.3	45	53.0
Black Carbon growth rate	106	46.5	-21.6	18	42.4
CO ₂ from land cover	118	37.5	-	22	37.3
Greenhouse gas intensity growth rate	139	33.4	-10.5	38	54.2
Greenhouse gas emissions <i>per capita</i>	1	100	-	1	75.6
Pollution Emissions	104	53.1	+13.4	15	46.1
SO ₂ growth rate	102	60.4	+16.4	12	50.2
NO _x growth rate	105	45.8	+10.4	20	42.0
Agriculture / Sustainable Nitrogen Management Index	87	39	-	15	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

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

EPI Performance	
Oman	38.5
Philippines	38.4
Burkina Faso	38.3
Malawi	38.3
Tajikistan	38.2
Equatorial Guinea	38.1
Honduras	37.8
Indonesia	37.8
Kiribati	37.7
São Tomé and Príncipe	37.6

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
Haiti	27.0
Sierra Leone	25.7
Liberia	22.6

Issue Performance	
Malawi	38.3
Zimbabwe	37.0
Dem. Rep. Congo	36.4
Uganda	35.6
Mozambique	33.9
Tanzania	31.1
Senegal	30.7
Benin	30.0
Togo	29.5
Mali	29.4

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	
Singapore	58.1
North Macedonia	55.4
Mexico	52.6
Ukraine	49.5
Malaysia	47.9
Moldova	44.4
Bolivia	44.3
Burkina Faso	38.3
Malawi	38.3
Liberia	22.6

Political Stability	
Jordan	53.4
Brazil	51.2
Moldova	44.4
Uzbekistan	44.3
El Salvador	43.1
South Africa	43.1
Morocco	42.3
Malawi	38.3
Eswatini	33.8
Angola	29.7

Sub-Saharan Africa	
Botswana	40.4
Namibia	40.2
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

Least Developed Countries	
Bhutan	39.3
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

Ease of Doing Business Index	
Jordan	53.4
Antigua and Barbuda	48.5
Trinidad and Tobago	47.5
Dominica	44.6
Bahamas	43.5
Philippines	38.4
Malawi	38.3
Nepal	32.7
Vanuatu	28.9
Ghana	27.6

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.