

# Country Profile

## NETHERLANDS

### Region: Global West



2020 EPI Country Rank (out of 180)

**11**

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

**75.3**

GDP [PPP 2011\$ billions]

**857.9**

GDP *per capita* [\$]

**49,787**

Population [millions]

**17.2**

Urbanization [%]

**92.24**

## Country Scorecard

### Issue Categories

### Rank [/180]

#### Environmental Health

13

Air Quality

17

Sanitation & Drinking Water

1

Heavy Metals

9

Waste Management

1

#### Ecosystem Vitality

17

Biodiversity & Habitat

25

Ecosystem Services

56

Fisheries

63

Climate Change

36

Pollution Emissions

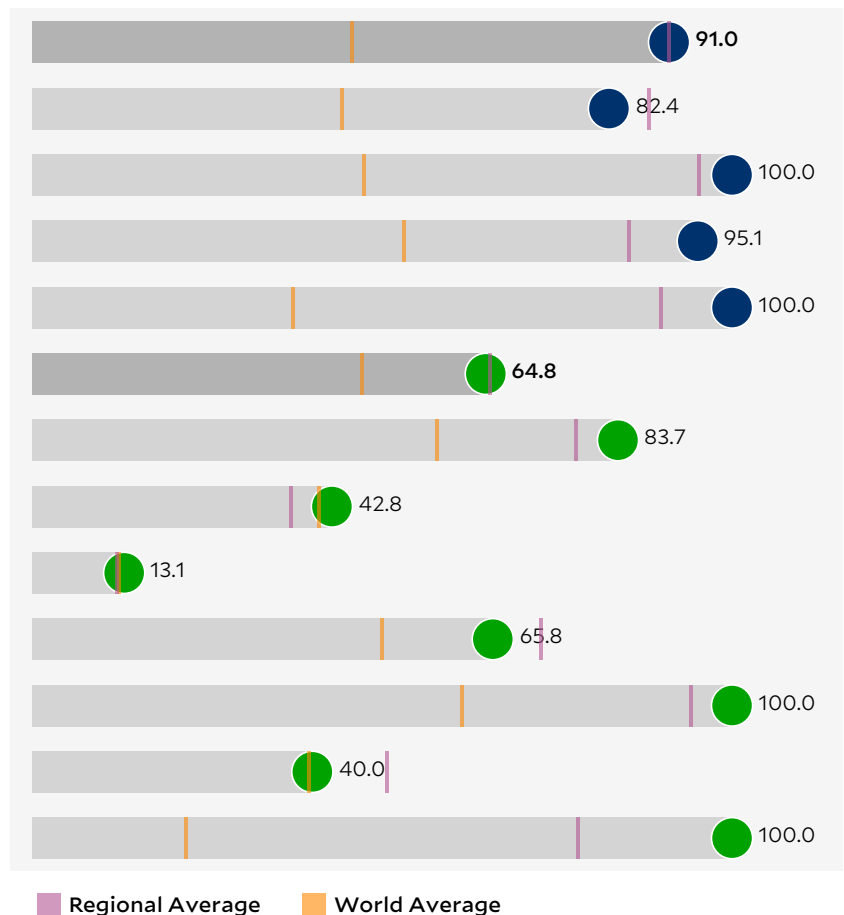
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Agriculture

80

Water Resources

1



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	Rank	EPI Score	10-Year Change	Regional Rank	Regional Average
<b>Environmental Performance Index</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>75.3</b>	<b>+1.5</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>75.6</b>
<b>Environmental Health</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>+3.6</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>91.0</b>
<b>Air Quality</b>	17	82.4	+6.4	16	88.2
Household solid fuels	1	100	-	1	97.5
PM <sub>2.5</sub> exposure	20	72.8	+12.1	18	84.6
Ozone exposure	71	47.5	-4.5	13	53.8
<b>Sanitation &amp; Drinking Water</b>	1	100	-	1	95.2
Unsafe sanitation	1	100	-	1	95.6
Unsafe drinking water	1	100	-	1	95.0
<b>Heavy Metals / Lead exposure</b>	9	95.1	+7.5	7	85.4
<b>Waste Management / Controlled solid waste</b>	1	100	-	1	89.8
<b>Ecosystem Vitality</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>64.8</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>65.3</b>
<b>Biodiversity &amp; Habitat</b>	25	83.7	+1.4	9	77.6
Terrestrial biomes (nat'l)	44	99.8	+1.8	10	86.4
Terrestrial biomes (global)	66	93.5	+1.5	11	86.9
Marine protected areas	1	100	-	1	76.9
Protected Areas Representativeness Index	59	39	+6.3	16	44.1
Species Habitat Index	109	78	-2.3	16	84.5
Species Protection Index	38	94.1	+4.0	13	94.9
Biodiversity Habitat Index	167	39.3	-0.8	20	53.8
<b>Ecosystem Services</b>	56	42.8	+4.9	4	36.9
Tree cover loss	51	40.6	+2.4	3	31.0
Grassland loss	25	82.7	+45.4	4	68.9
Wetland loss	120	41.5	+7.5	14	52.6
<b>Fisheries</b>	63	13.1	+0.6	6	12.0
Fish Stock Status	67	8.3	+1.5	8	8.3
Marine Trophic Index	21	28.6	-	6	25.5
Fish caught by trawling	74	0.7	+0.3	17	6.8
<b>Climate Change</b>	36	65.8	-1.7	17	72.7
CO <sub>2</sub> growth rate	43	57.8	+2.2	19	66.9
CH <sub>4</sub> growth rate	1	100	-	1	92.1
F-gas growth rate	1	100	-	1	92.7
N <sub>2</sub> O growth rate	169	14	-33.6	22	70.3
Black Carbon growth rate	39	85.1	-14.9	16	89.1
CO <sub>2</sub> from land cover	49	64.1	-	8	59.1
Greenhouse gas intensity growth rate	121	40.9	-10.7	20	56.8
Greenhouse gas emissions <i>per capita</i>	156	17	+3.0	14	21.6
<b>Pollution Emissions</b>	1	100	-	1	93.9
SO <sub>2</sub> growth rate	1	100	-	1	94.7
NO <sub>x</sub> growth rate	1	100	-	1	93.1
<b>Agriculture / Sustainable Nitrogen Management Index</b>	80	40	-3.0	17	50.5
<b>Water Resources / Wastewater treatment</b>	1	100	-	1	77.9

**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	
Norway	77.7
Germany	77.2
Netherlands	75.3
Japan	75.1
Australia	74.9
Spain	74.3
Belgium	73.3
Ireland	72.8
Iceland	72.3
Slovenia	72.0

GDP per capita	
Denmark	82.5
Austria	79.6
Sweden	78.7
Germany	77.2
Netherlands	75.3
Australia	74.9
Iceland	72.3
Canada	71.0
United States of America	69.3
Saudi Arabia	44.0

Issue Performance	
Luxembourg	82.3
Switzerland	81.5
Austria	79.6
Finland	78.9
Germany	77.2
Netherlands	75.3
Spain	74.3
Ireland	72.8
Slovenia	72.0
South Korea	66.5

Regulatory Quality	
Luxembourg	82.3
Switzerland	81.5
United Kingdom	81.3
Finland	78.9
Sweden	78.7
Norway	77.7
Netherlands	75.3
Australia	74.9
New Zealand	71.3
Singapore	58.1

Voice & Accountability	
Denmark	82.5
Luxembourg	82.3
Switzerland	81.5
Finland	78.9
Sweden	78.7
Norway	77.7
Netherlands	75.3
Australia	74.9
New Zealand	71.3
Canada	71.0

Political Stability	
Sweden	78.7
Netherlands	75.3
Slovenia	72.0
Taiwan	57.2
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	48.4
Mauritius	45.1
Tonga	45.1
Bahamas	43.5
Marshall Islands	30.8
Vanuatu	28.9

Global West	
Finland	78.9
Sweden	78.7
Norway	77.7
Germany	77.2
Netherlands	75.3
Australia	74.9
Spain	74.3
Belgium	73.3
Ireland	72.8
Iceland	72.3

OECD	
Norway	77.7
Germany	77.2
Netherlands	75.3
Japan	75.1
Australia	74.9
Spain	74.3
Belgium	73.3
Ireland	72.8
Iceland	72.3
Slovenia	72.0

Ease of Doing Business Index	
Switzerland	81.5
France	80.0
Netherlands	75.3
Slovenia	72.0
Czech Republic	71.0
Slovakia	68.3
Portugal	67.0
Poland	60.9
Turkey	42.6
Rwanda	33.8

**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.