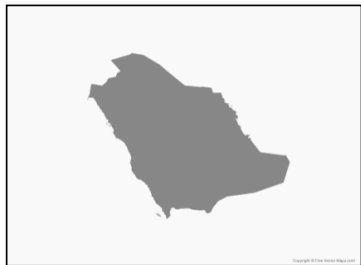


### Region: Greater Middle East

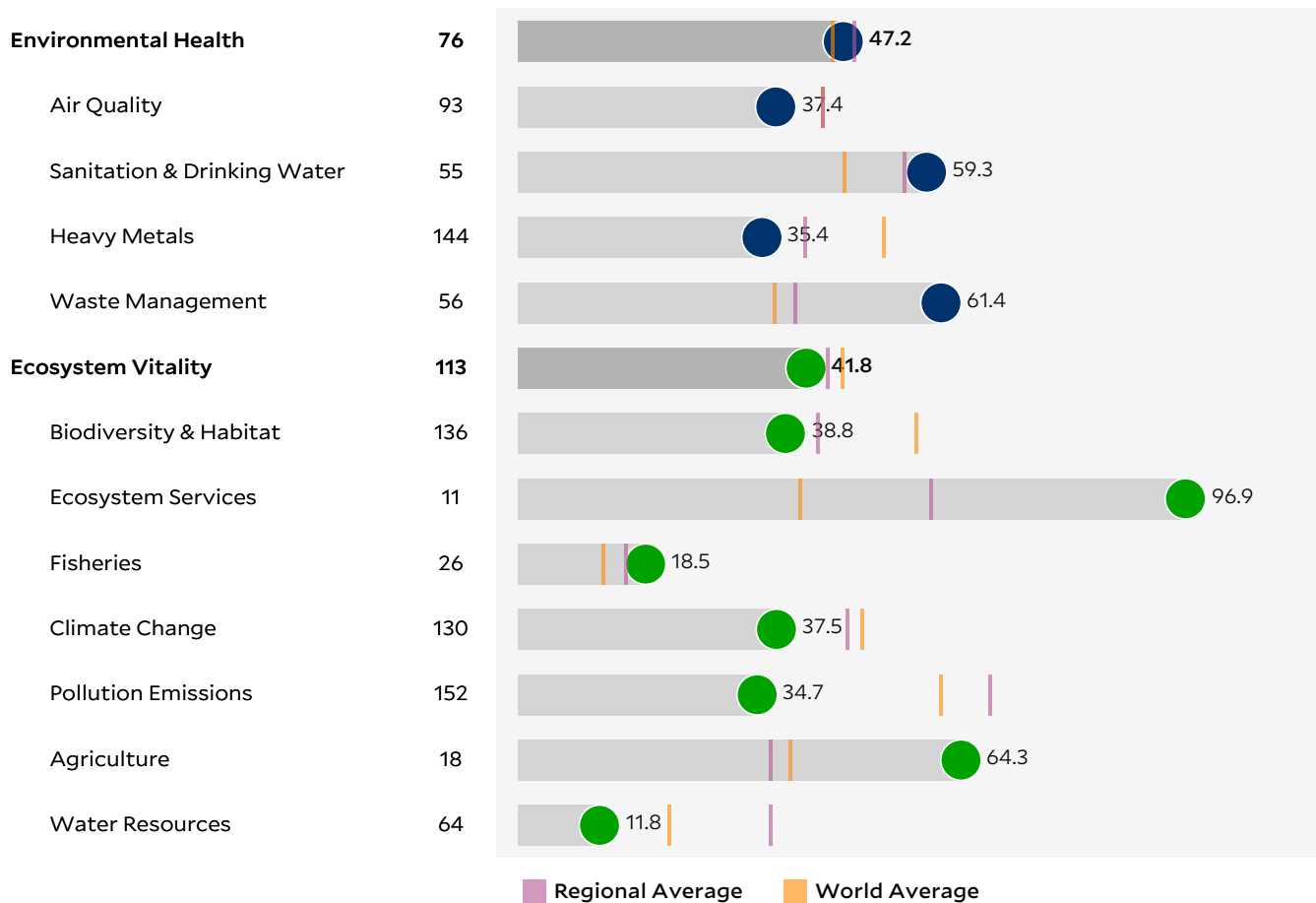


2020 EPI Country Rank (out of 180)	GDP [PPP 2011\$ billions]	<b>1,654.7</b>
<b>90</b>	GDP <i>per capita</i> [\$]	<b>49,101</b>
2020 EPI Score [0=worst, 100=best]	Population [millions]	<b>33.7</b>
<b>44.0</b>	Urbanization [%]	<b>84.29</b>

### Country Scorecard

#### Issue Categories

#### Rank [/180]



Region: Greater Middle East

	Rank	EPI Score	10-Year Change	Regional Rank	Regional Average
<b>Environmental Performance Index</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>+6.4</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>46.5</b>
<b>Environmental Health</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>47.2</b>	<b>+7.8</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>48.7</b>
<b>Air Quality</b>	93	37.4	+10.1	11	44.3
Household solid fuels	42	76.2	+16.9	12	79.5
PM <sub>2.5</sub> exposure	176	10	+6.0	14	19.8
Ozone exposure	148	29	+0.7	12	32.6
<b>Sanitation &amp; Drinking Water</b>	55	59.3	+5.9	7	56.2
Unsafe sanitation	49	71.9	+9.8	8	65.9
Unsafe drinking water	63	50.9	+3.4	6	49.7
<b>Heavy Metals / Lead exposure</b>	144	35.4	+9.3	11	41.6
<b>Waste Management / Controlled solid waste</b>	56	61.4	-	3	40.3
<b>Ecosystem Vitality</b>	<b>113</b>	<b>41.8</b>	<b>+5.4</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>45.0</b>
<b>Biodiversity &amp; Habitat</b>	136	38.8	+0.1	10	43.5
Terrestrial biomes (nat'l)	146	28	-	10	45.4
Terrestrial biomes (global)	148	28	-	11	44.3
Marine protected areas	49	20.7	-	3	18.2
Protected Areas Representativeness Index	163	6	+1.8	11	9.8
Species Habitat Index	8	97.5	-0.9	3	89.2
Species Protection Index	122	56.6	-	8	55.5
Biodiversity Habitat Index	14	74.2	+0.1	6	66.2
<b>Ecosystem Services</b>	11	96.9	+5.4	3	59.9
Tree cover loss	1	100	-	1	57.4
Grassland loss	150	38.5	+38.5	13	67.5
Wetland loss	1	100	+69.6	1	71.5
<b>Fisheries</b>	26	18.5	+1.4	3	15.5
Fish Stock Status	41	12.3	+2.9	5	14.1
Marine Trophic Index	25	24.7	-	2	17.2
Fish caught by trawling	0	0	-	12	5.8
<b>Climate Change</b>	130	37.5	+10.0	13	47.8
CO <sub>2</sub> growth rate	117	32.8	+20.7	12	43.0
CH <sub>4</sub> growth rate	135	44.8	+8.0	11	50.3
F-gas growth rate	46	90.9	-5.4	8	93.2
N <sub>2</sub> O growth rate	143	35.2	-14.9	11	43.4
Black Carbon growth rate	169	6.3	-32.7	14	46.8
CO <sub>2</sub> from land cover	159	0	-	11	34.0
Greenhouse gas intensity growth rate	146	30.7	+7.6	14	51.4
Greenhouse gas emissions <i>per capita</i>	172	0	-4.3	12	32.8
<b>Pollution Emissions</b>	152	34.7	-27.2	15	68.4
SO <sub>2</sub> growth rate	156	32.2	-24.0	15	76.4
NO <sub>x</sub> growth rate	130	37.1	-30.5	12	60.3
<b>Agriculture / Sustainable Nitrogen Management Index</b>	18	64.3	+39.8	1	36.5
<b>Water Resources / Wastewater treatment</b>	64	11.8	-	13	36.7

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

# Country Profile

## SAUDI ARABIA

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

EPI Performance	
Kazakhstan	44.7
Dominica	44.6
Moldova	44.4
Bolivia	44.3
Uzbekistan	44.3
Peru	44.0
Saudi Arabia	44.0
Turkmenistan	43.9
Bahamas	43.5
Egypt	43.3

GDP per capita	
Denmark	82.5
Austria	79.6
Sweden	78.7
Germany	77.2
Netherlands	75.3
Australia	74.9
Belgium	73.3
Iceland	72.3
Canada	71.0
Saudi Arabia	44.0

Issue Performance	
Armenia	52.3
Saudi Arabia	44.0
Turkmenistan	43.9
Egypt	43.3
Kyrgyzstan	39.8
Iraq	39.5
Oman	38.5
Tajikistan	38.2
Guyana	35.9
Nepal	32.7

Regulatory Quality	
Kuwait	53.6
Trinidad and Tobago	47.5
Dominican Republic	46.3
Moldova	44.4
Saudi Arabia	44.0
El Salvador	43.1
Turkey	42.6
Namibia	40.2
Indonesia	37.8
Mongolia	32.2

Voice & Accountability	
Azerbaijan	46.5
Uzbekistan	44.3
Saudi Arabia	44.0
Tajikistan	38.2
China	37.3
Dem. Rep. Congo	36.4
Laos	34.8
Sudan	34.8
Burundi	27.0
Chad	26.7

Political Stability	
Mexico	52.6
Russia	50.5
Saudi Arabia	44.0
Kyrgyzstan	39.8
Indonesia	37.8
Honduras	37.8
Guatemala	31.8
Tanzania	31.1
Republic of Congo	30.8
Madagascar	26.5

Greater Middle East	
Iran	48.0
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

G-20	
Mexico	52.6
Argentina	52.2
Brazil	51.2
Russia	50.5
Saudi Arabia	44.0
South Africa	43.1
Turkey	42.6
Indonesia	37.8
China	37.3
India	27.6

Ease of Doing Business Index	
Malta	70.7
Kuwait	53.6
Bosnia and Herzegovina	45.4
Saudi Arabia	44.0
Saint Lucia	43.1
El Salvador	43.1
Kyrgyzstan	39.8
Samoa	37.3
Zambia	34.7
Guatemala	31.8

**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.