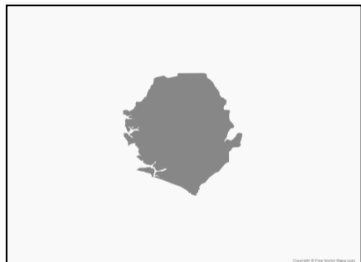


Country Profile

SIERRA LEONE

Region: Sub-Saharan Africa

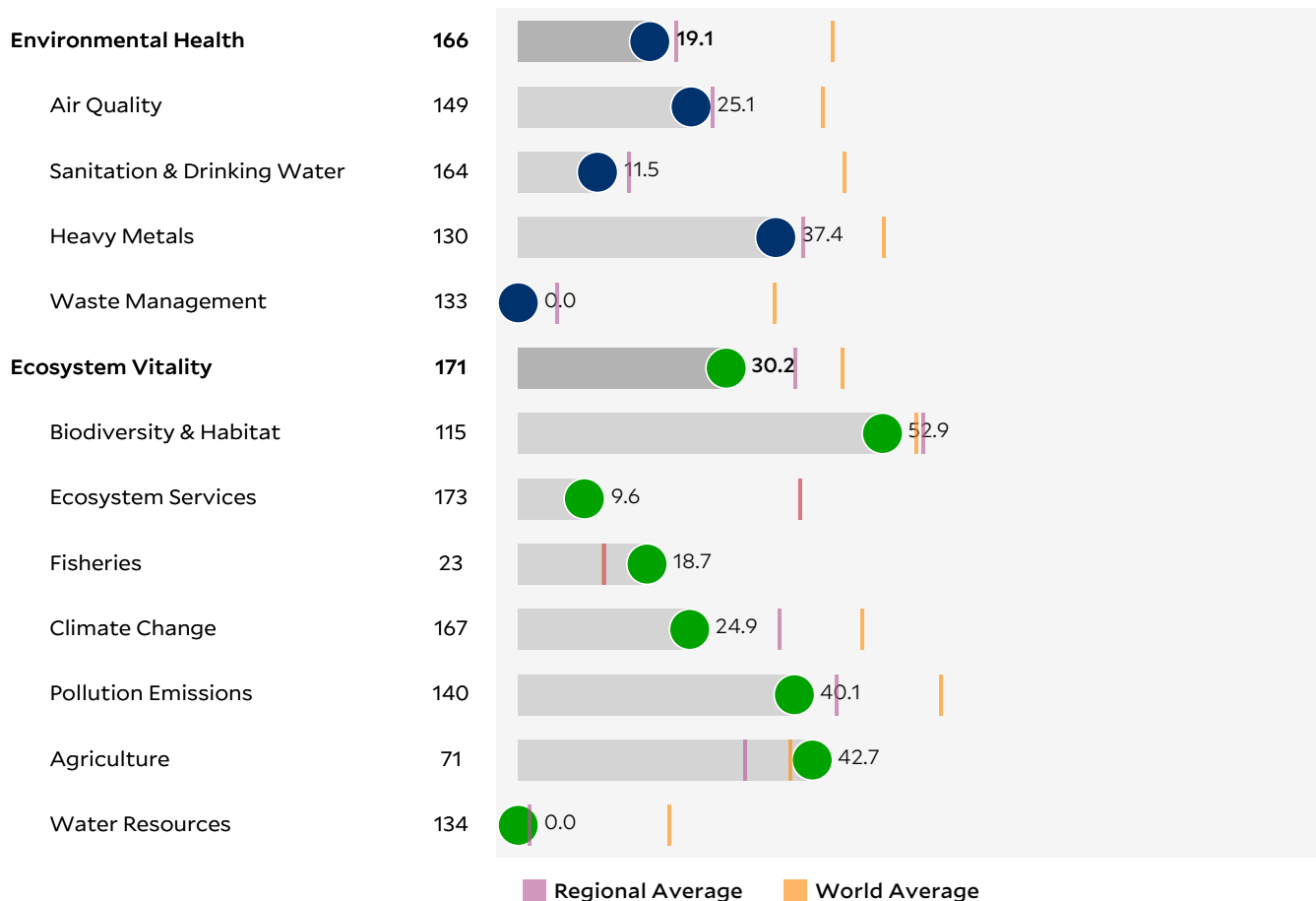


2020 EPI Country Rank (out of 180)	GDP [PPP 2011\$ billions]	10.9
177	GDP <i>per capita</i> [\$]	1,421
2020 EPI Score [0=worst, 100=best]	Population [millions]	7.7
25.7	Urbanization [%]	42.92

Country Scorecard

Issue Categories

Rank [/180]



Region: Sub-Saharan Africa

	Rank	EPI Score	10-Year Change	Regional Rank	Regional Average
Environmental Performance Index	177	25.7	+0.7	45	33.2
Environmental Health	166	19.1	+0.9	34	22.7
Air Quality	149	25.1	-1.9	27	28.0
Household solid fuels	168	7	+3.5	38	16.1
PM _{2.5} exposure	101	37.3	-5.1	22	35.9
Ozone exposure	117	36.9	-9.2	18	36.4
Sanitation & Drinking Water	164	11.5	+4.1	30	15.9
Unsafe sanitation	164	11.7	+4.2	30	16.7
Unsafe drinking water	164	11.4	+4.0	30	15.4
Heavy Metals / Lead exposure	130	37.4	+3.4	26	41.4
Waste Management / Controlled solid waste	133	0	-	21	5.7
Ecosystem Vitality	171	30.2	+0.7	43	40.2
Biodiversity & Habitat	115	52.9	+7.1	32	58.6
Terrestrial biomes (nat'l)	116	54.5	+10.9	31	69.0
Terrestrial biomes (global)	67	92.9	+21.8	20	71.3
Marine protected areas	72	6	+1.6	10	14.5
Protected Areas Representativeness Index	130	14.8	+5.3	37	30.4
Species Habitat Index	111	77.9	-19.1	36	84.3
Species Protection Index	80	80.9	+19.3	23	75.7
Biodiversity Habitat Index	116	48.8	-2.8	33	55.6
Ecosystem Services	173	9.6	-24.4	46	40.8
Tree cover loss	166	3.8	-31.5	44	36.7
Grassland loss	60	63.6	+33.5	12	55.2
Wetland loss	63	58.7	+45.0	21	63.0
Fisheries	23	18.7	-7.3	2	12.3
Fish Stock Status	5	31.1	-14.5	1	13.7
Marine Trophic Index	112	6.4	-	25	13.3
Fish caught by trawling	0	0	-	38	5.9
Climate Change	167	24.9	+4.3	40	37.8
CO ₂ growth rate	166	7.9	-12.4	38	24.8
CH ₄ growth rate	168	26.4	+26.4	40	54.5
F-gas growth rate	78	89.4	+76.3	10	89.8
N ₂ O growth rate	168	14.9	+14.9	44	53.0
Black Carbon growth rate	92	52.8	-11.5	12	42.4
CO ₂ from land cover	159	0	-	38	37.3
Greenhouse gas intensity growth rate	130	36.4	-12.4	36	54.2
Greenhouse gas emissions <i>per capita</i>	9	99.3	-0.7	7	75.6
Pollution Emissions	140	40.1	-5.0	32	46.1
SO ₂ growth rate	127	49.3	+0.4	24	50.2
NO _x growth rate	144	30.9	-10.5	36	42.0
Agriculture / Sustainable Nitrogen Management Index	71	42.7	+11.1	6	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	
Burundi	27.0
Haiti	27.0
Chad	26.7
Solomon Islands	26.7
Madagascar	26.5
Guinea	26.4
Côte d'Ivoire	25.8
Sierra Leone	25.7
Afghanistan	25.5
Myanmar	25.1

GDP per capita	
Malawi	38.3
Mozambique	33.9
Togo	29.5
Guinea-Bissau	29.1
Haiti	27.0
Chad	26.7
Madagascar	26.5
Sierra Leone	25.7
Afghanistan	25.5
Liberia	22.6

Issue Performance	
Rwanda	33.8
Senegal	30.7
Benin	30.0
Togo	29.5
Mali	29.4
Ghana	27.6
Chad	26.7
Guinea	26.4
Côte d'Ivoire	25.8
Sierra Leone	25.7

Regulatory Quality	
Ecuador	51.0
Gabon	45.8
Bolivia	44.3
Egypt	43.3
São Tomé and Príncipe	37.6
Micronesia	33.0
Nigeria	31.0
Solomon Islands	26.7
Sierra Leone	25.7
Liberia	22.6

Voice & Accountability	
Singapore	58.1
Armenia	52.3
Malaysia	47.9
Bosnia and Herzegovina	45.4
Moldova	44.4
Malawi	38.3
Nepal	32.7
Gambia	27.9
Côte d'Ivoire	25.8
Sierra Leone	25.7

Political Stability	
Argentina	52.2
Ecuador	51.0
Kazakhstan	44.7
Turkmenistan	43.9
Belize	41.9
Equatorial Guinea	38.1
Senegal	30.7
Gambia	27.9
Ghana	27.6
Sierra Leone	25.7

Sub-Saharan Africa	
Lesotho	28.0
Gambia	27.9
Mauritania	27.7
Ghana	27.6
Burundi	27.0
Chad	26.7
Madagascar	26.5
Guinea	26.4
Côte d'Ivoire	25.8
Sierra Leone	25.7

Least Developed Countries	
Mauritania	27.7
Burundi	27.0
Haiti	27.0
Solomon Islands	26.7
Chad	26.7
Madagascar	26.5
Guinea	26.4
Sierra Leone	25.7
Afghanistan	25.5
Myanmar	25.1

Ease of Doing Business Index	
Suriname	45.2
Kiribati	37.7
Sudan	34.8
Ethiopia	34.4
Micronesia	33.0
Comoros	32.1
Gambia	27.9
Burundi	27.0
Madagascar	26.5
Sierra Leone	25.7

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.