

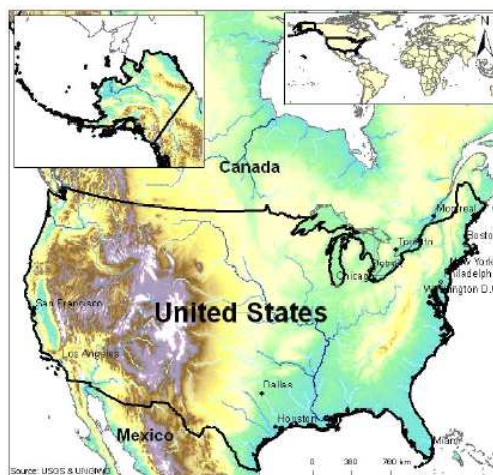
## United States



## Air and climate

## Emissions of:

		Year
SO <sub>2</sub> (1000t)	12,258.0	2006
SO <sub>2</sub> per capita (kg)	40.0	2006
NO <sub>x</sub> (1000t)	15,160.0	2006
NO <sub>x</sub> per capita (kg)	50.0	2006
CO <sub>2</sub> (million tonnes)	5,975.0	2006
CO <sub>2</sub> per capita (tonnes)	20.0	2006
GHG (million tonnes CO <sub>2</sub> eq.)	7,017.0	2006
GHG per capita (tonnes CO <sub>2</sub> eq.)	23.0	2006
Ozone depleting CFCs (ODP tonnes)	-69.0	2007
GHG from energy (%)	87.0	2006



Note: The boundaries, the names shown, and the designations used on this map do not imply official endorsement or acceptance by the United Nations.

## Biodiversity

		Year
Proportion of terrestrial and marine areas protected (%)	22.0	2008
Number of threatened species	1,192	2008
Fish catch (tonnes)	4,859,872	2006
Change in fish catch from previous year (%)	-1.0	2006

## Economy

		Year
GDP growth rate from previous year (%)	3	2006
GDP per capita (\$US)	45,047	2007
% Value added agriculture, hunting, forestry, fishing	1	2007
% Value added mining, manufacturing, utilities	17	2007
% Value added other	82	2007

## Energy

		Year
Energy consumption (1000t oil eq.)	1,994,876	2006
Energy consumption per capita (kg oil eq.)	6,684	2006
Energy intensity (kg oil eq.) per \$1,000 (PPP) GDP	182	2006
Renewable electricity production (%)	8.0	2006

## Land and agriculture

		Year
Total area (sq km)	9,629,091	2007
Agricultural land (sq km)	4,111,580	2007
Arable land (% of agric. land)	41.0	2007
Permanent crops (% of agric.land)	1.0	2007

		Year
Permanent pasture and meadows (% of agric. land)	58.0	2007
Change in agricultural land area since 1990 (%)	-4.0	2007
Forest area (sq km)	3,034,070	2007
Change in forest area since 1990 (%)	2.0	2007

## Population

		Year
Population (1000)	311,666	2008
Population growth rate from previous year (%)	1.0	2008

## Waste

		Year
Population served by municipal waste collection (%)	100	2005
Municipal waste collected (1000t)	222,863	2005
Hazardous waste generated (tonnes)	34,788,408 <sup>1</sup>	2005

## Water and sanitation

		Year
Long-term average renewable freshwater resources (mio m <sup>3</sup> /yr)	2,478,000	N / A
Urban population with access to improved drinking water source (%)	100	2006
Rural population with access to improved drinking water source (%)	94	2006
Urban population with access to improved sanitation (%)	100	2006
Rural population with access to improved sanitation (%)	99	2006

## Environment Statistics Country Snapshot: United States

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### Data Sources

#### Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) Database

*Agricultural land, Arable land, Permanent crops, Permanent pasture and meadows, Change in agricultural land area since 1990, Forest area, Change in forest area since 1990, and some of Long-term average renewable freshwater resources data are extracted from FAO.*

FAOSTAT: <http://faostat.fao.org/>

AQUASTAT: <http://www.fao.org/nr/water/aquastat/dbase/index.stm>

#### International Union for Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources (IUCN)

*Number of threatened species data are extracted from the IUCN.*

<http://www.iucnredlist.org/>

#### UNdata

*Fish catch, Change in fish catch from previous year, Energy intensity (kg oil eq.) per \$1,000 (PPP) GDP, GDP growth rate from previous year, and GDP per capita at current prices data are retrieved from the UNdata portal. UNdata was launched by the United Nations Statistics Division (UNSD) of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA). It brings the various UN statistical databases within easy reach of users through a single entry point. Users can search and download a variety of statistical resources provided by the UN System.*

<http://data.un.org/>

#### United Nations, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Population Division, World Population Prospects

All 'per capita' variables use population data figures obtained from this source. *Population and Percentage of population growth rate from previous year data are also retrieved from this source.*

<http://www.un.org/esa/population/>

#### United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) Secretariat

*SO2 emissions, SO2 per capita emissions, NOx emissions, NOx per capita emissions, GHG emissions, GHG per capita, and Percentage of GHG from energy data are obtained from the UNFCCC Greenhouse Gas Emissions Database.*

[http://unfccc.int/ghg\\_emissions\\_data/items/3800.php](http://unfccc.int/ghg_emissions_data/items/3800.php)

#### United Nations Statistics Division (UNSD) Demographic Statistics Yearbook

*Total area data are extracted from this source.*

<http://unstats.un.org/unsd/demographic/products/dyb/default.htm>

#### United Nations Statistics Division (UNSD) Energy Statistics Database

*Energy consumption, Energy consumption per capita, and Renewable electricity production figures are extracted from the UNSD Energy Statistics Database.*

<http://unstats.un.org/unsd/energy/default.htm>

#### United Nations Statistics Division (UNSD) Environment Statistics Database

*Population served by municipal waste collection, Municipal waste collected, Hazardous waste generated, some of Long-term average renewable freshwater resources, and some of the air emissions data are extracted from the UNSD Environment Statistics Database (note: database also includes data from OECD, and Eurostat).*

<http://unstats.un.org/unsd/environment/qindicators.htm>

#### United Nations Statistics Division (UNSD) Millennium Development Goals (MDG) Indicator Database

*Proportion of terrestrial and marine areas protected, CO2 emissions, CO2 emissions per capita, Ozone-depleting CFCs, Urban population with access to improved drinking water source, Rural population with access to improved drinking water source, Urban population with access to improved sanitation, and Rural population with access to improved sanitation data are extracted from MDG database.*

<http://mdgs.un.org/unsd/mdg/Data.aspx>

#### United Nations Statistics Division (UNSD) National Accounts Database

*% value added agriculture, hunting, forestry, fishing; % value added mining, manufacturing, utilities; and % value added other data are obtained from the National Accounts Main Aggregates Database.*

<http://unstats.un.org/unsd/snaama/introduction.asp>

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\* Any footnotes displayed below are relevant to UNSD Environment and Energy Statistics variables only. For further information on data retrieved from other sources, please visit the original data provider.

1 From 1997, data exclude waste water. In 2001: reporting requirements have been changed; includes some waste water.