

Australia



Air and climate

| Emissions of: | | Year |
|---|-------|------|
| SO ₂ (1000t) | 798 | 2012 |
| SO ₂ per capita (kg) | 35 | 2012 |
| NO _x (1000t) | 2 536 | 2012 |
| NO _x per capita (kg) | 111 | 2012 |
| CO ₂ (million tonnes) | 398 | 2011 |
| CO ₂ per capita (tonnes) | 18 | 2011 |
| GHG (million tonnes CO ₂ eq.) | 544 | 2012 |
| GHG per capita (tonnes CO ₂ eq.) | 24 | 2012 |
| Consumption of ozone depleting CFCs (ODP t) | -8 | 2013 |



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

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| Proportion of terrestrial and marine areas protected (%) | 29 | 2014 |
| Number of threatened species | 931 | 2015 |
| Fish catch (tonnes) | 154 344 | 2014 |
| Change in fish catch from previous year (%) | -3 | 2014 |

Economy

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| GDP growth rate from previous year (%) | 3 | 2014 |
| GDP per capita (at current prices - \$US) | 62 290 | 2014 |
| % Value added: agriculture, hunting, forestry, fishing | 2 | 2015 |
| % Value added: mining, manufacturing, utilities | 18 | 2015 |

Energy

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| Total energy supply (PJ) | 5 252 | 2014 |
| Energy supply per capita (GJ) | 222 | 2014 |
| Energy use intensity (kg oil eq.) per \$1,000 GDP (Constant 2005 PPP\$) | 138 | 2012 |
| Renewable electricity production (%) | 0 | 2014 |

Land and agriculture

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| Total area (sq km) | 7 692 024 | 2015 |
| Agricultural land (sq km) | 4 062 690 | 2014 |
| Arable land (% of agric. land) | 12 | 2014 |
| Permanent crops (% of agric. land) | 0 | 2014 |

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| Permanent meadows and pastures (% of agric. land) | 88 | 2014 |
| Change in agricultural land area since 1990 (%) | -13 | 2014 |
| Forest area (sq km) | 1 244 430 | 2014 |
| Change in forest area since 1990 (%) | 1 | 2014 |

Population

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| Population (1000) | 23 969 ² | 2015 |
| Population growth rate from previous year (%) | 1 ² | 2015 |

Waste

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| Total population served by municipal waste collection (%) | 628 | 2011 |
| Municipal waste collected (1000t) | 14 037 | 2011 |
| Hazardous waste generated per capita (kg) | ... | |
| Proportion of hazardous waste treated or disposed (%) | ... | |
| Proportion of municipal waste recycled (%) | 45 | 2011 |

Water and sanitation

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| Renewable freshwater resources per capita (m ³) | ... | |
| Proportion of wastewater treated (%) | ... | |
| Proportion of freshwater abstracted (%) | ... | |

Environment Statistics Country Snapshot

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These snapshots provide data about the environment and other related statistics at a point in time that will allow comparison between countries. For up to date data, time series, downloadable data, and additional information, please visit original sources. UNSD is not responsible for the quality, completeness / availability, and validity of data obtained from other data providers. Original sources should be cited when Environment Statistics Country Snapshot data are referenced. A list of sources and corresponding URLs are shown below.

Data Sources

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

Fish catch, Change in fish catch from previous year, Agricultural land, Arable land as a % of agric. land, Permanent crops as a % of agric. land, Permanent meadows and pastures as a % of agric. land, Change in agricultural land area since 1990, Forest area, and Change in forest area since 1990 data are extracted from FAO.
FAOSTAT: <http://faostat.fao.org/>

International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN)

Number of threatened species data are extracted from the IUCN.
<http://www.iucnredlist.org/>

UNdata

GDP growth rate from previous year, and GDP per capita (at current prices) data are retrieved from the UNdata portal.
<http://data.un.org/>

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

All '*per capita*' variables use population data obtained from this source. *Population* and *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, NO_x emissions, NO_x per capita emissions, GHG emissions and GHG per capita are obtained from the UNFCCC Greenhouse Gas Emissions Database.
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

Total population served by municipal waste collection, Municipal waste collected, Hazardous waste generated per capita, Proportion of hazardous waste treated or disposed, Proportion of municipal waste recycled, Renewable freshwater resources per capita, Proportion of wastewater treated and Proportion of freshwater abstracted 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, Consumption of ozone-depleting CFCs and Energy use intensity (kg oil eq.) per \$1,000 (PPP) GDP are extracted from the MDG database.
<http://mdgs.un.org/unsd/mdg/Data.aspx>

United Nations Statistics Division (UNSD) National Accounts Database

% value added - agriculture, hunting, forestry, fishing; and % value added - mining, manufacturing, utilities are obtained from the National Accounts Main Aggregates Database, according to the International Standard Industrial Classification of All Economic Activities (ISIC).
<http://unstats.un.org/unsd/snaama/introduction.asp>

Footnotes for previous page

* 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 Negative numbers will occur where exports plus destruction exceed actual production plus imports, e.g., if exports are from carry-over stock.
- 2 Including Christmas Island, Cocos (Keeling) Islands and Norfolk Island.