# FAOSTAT Statistics for Climate Change

Agriculture, Forestry and Other Land use

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# Outline

- Climate Change Statistics and Relevance to FAO work
- FAOSTAT Emissions Statistics
- FAOSTAT Climate Change Statistics beyond Emissions





#### Relevance to FAO work

- Climate change threatens our ability to achieve global food security, eradicate poverty and achieve sustainable development;
- Has both direct and indirect effects on **agricultural productivity** (changing rainfall patterns, drought, flooding and the geographical redistribution of pests and diseases);
- Greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions from human activity are a significant driver of climate change;
- Elevated CO<sub>2</sub> causes oceans acidification, influencing the health of our oceans and livelihoods.



### FAOSTAT Climate Change-relevant Statistics

- Climate Change statistics support enhanced transparency under UNFCCC Paris Agreement, i.e. for National Determined Contributions (NDCs);
- FAO contributes to UNECE/UNSD on CC Relevant Statistics;
- Recent FAO work on Climate Change Indicators: Piloting current set of indicators;
- New: FAOSTAT Temperature Change (with NASA);
- o Focus on communication of results to non-specialized users.



#### **FAO**STAT Global default estimates



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### FAOSTAT Climate Change Relevant Statistics

- GHG Emissions from AFOLU Agriculture, Forestry and Other Land Use (*Carbon Stock Change; Deforestation, Degradation; Peatland; Fire Statistics*);
- Emissions Intensities;
- Emissions by Sector;
- Land Cover;



### FAO Statistical Work on GHG Emissions

FAO database with estimates and updates GHG Emissions from AFOLU;
 1961- now updating to 2015 (Agriculture); 1990-2015 (LULUCF): ~185 Countries
 Reference Tier 1 GHG Inventory using 2006 IPCC Guidelines:





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www.ipcc-nggip.iges.or.jp/public/mtdocs/pdfiles/1411\_FAO-IPCC-IFAD\_Rome\_AFOLU.pdf



### Emissions







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**Rice Cultivation** 

Synthetic Fertilizers

Manure applied to Soils

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**Crop Residues** 

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#### FAOSTAT Emissions Database

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### FAO emissions database: Addressing different data analysis needs

- Facilitate National, Regional and Global analyses: regional comparisons and trend analysis for AFOLU, including IPCC assessment reports;
- Fill data gaps and QA/QC procedures: Support member countries report under UNFCCC, addressing data gaps and needs in data QA/QC; e.g. a reference, Tier 1 data framework for analysis of AFOLU GHG trends for all countries—EU 28 QA/QC in 2014;
- Explore policy-relevant emission indicators in support of analyses linked to resilience, food security, including SDGs processes (UNSD/UNECE);



#### **AEIndicators EM**

Emissions by sector

The Emissions by sector domain of the FAOSTAT Agri-Environmental Indicators section contains data on emissions of greenhouse gases (GHG) by gas... Show More

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All Data Normalized	6.8 MB
All Area Groups	398 KB
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Americas	515 KB
Asia	547 KB
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### **Emissions by Sector**



#### http://www.fao.org/faostat/en/#compare



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Other sectors Emissions Database for Global Atmospheric Research EDGAR <a href="http://edgar.jrc.ec.europa.eu/">http://edgar.jrc.ec.europa.eu/</a>

#### **AEIndicators EI**

#### **Emissions intensities**

Intensities of greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions by production unit for a selection of agricultural commodities.

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**Related Documents** 

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Definitions and standa...

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### **Emissions Intensities**

Timeseries on selected data

kg CO2 per kg of whole fresh milk, 1961 - onward



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<ul> <li>Land Use</li> </ul>	Share of land use category in Land, Agricultural area, Forest area,	1961-2014
Emissions Intensities	kg CO <sub>2</sub> / kg product	1961-2014
Emissions by sector	Tot emissions; Share by Gas; Share (gas) in sector	1990-2010
Land Cover Recently	1000 ha	1992-2015
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Beyond emissions: Climate change statistics in FAOSTAT Agri-Environmental Indicators



•	Land Use	Share of land use category in Land, Agricultural area, Forest area,	1961-20
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Air and climate change

Energy

Fertilizers

Land Use

Land Cover

Livestock Patterns

Pesticides

Soil

Water

Emissions by sector

**Emissions intensities** 

Temperature change



### Land Cover

#### One of the Terrestrial Essential

Climate Variables

https://www.ncdc.noaa.gov/gosic/gcos-essential-climatevariable-ecv-data-access-matrix



- **SDG 15.3.1**: Sub-indicator for proportion of land degraded;
- FDES UNECE indicators and statistics;
- o Environmental and Economic Accounting system (SEEA CF; SEEA AFF).





## Reference standard: SEEA CF Land Cover

#### Land cover basic rules

Category	Basic rule	14 LC classes;	
Artificial surfaces (including urban and associated areas)	The category is composed of any type of artificial surfaces.		
Herbaceous crops	The category is composed of a main layer of cultivated herbaceous plants.	Bacad on EAO I	
Woody crops	The category is composed of a main layer of cultivated tree or shrub plants.	Daseu Oli FAO, l	
Multiple or layered crops	The category is composed of at least two layers of cultivated woody and herbaceous plants or different layers of cultivated plants combined with natural vegetation.	Classification S	
Grassland	The category is composed of a main layer of natural herbaceous vegetation with a cover from 10 to 100 per cent.	Rules	
Tree-covered areas	The category is composed of a main layer of natural trees with a cover from 10 to 100 per cent.		
Mangroves	The category is composed of natural trees with a cover from 10 to 100 per cent in aquatic or regularly flooded areas in salt and brackish water.		
Shrub-covered areas	The category is composed of a main layer of natural shrubs with a cover from 10 to 100 per cent.		
Shrubs and/or herbaceous vegetation, aquatic or regularly flooded	The category is composed of natural shrubs or herbs with a cover from 10 to 100 per cent in aquatic or regularly flooded areas with water persistence from 2 to 12 months per year.		
Sparsely natural vegetated areas	The category is composed of any type of natural vegetation (all growth forms) with a cover from 2 to 10 per cent.		
Terrestrial barren land	The category is composed of abiotic natural surfaces.		
Permanent snow and glaciers	The category is composed of any type of glacier and perennial snow with persistence of 12 months per year.		
Inland water bodies	The category is composed of any type of inland water body with a water persistence of 12 months per year.		
Coastal water bodies and inter- tidal areas	The category is composed on the basis of geographical features in relation to the sea (lagoons and estuaries) and abiotic surfaces subject to water persistence (intertidal variations).	UN SEEA Central Framework, 2012	

Based on FAO, Land Cover Classification System (LCCS) and Rules

### Geospatial data to populate the SEEA Land Cover

1) **Global LC maps**: land accounts: global and multitemporal – matching LCC classifiers;

> ESA CCI - LC (1992 – 2015) *UCL Geomatics, 2017* MODIS v5 IGBP (2001 – 2012) *Herold et al., 2008*

**2) Geoprocessing:** GAUL (2014) - <u>normalized</u> to official Country areas;





c) Translating original land cover legends to common SEEA LC classes using UN Land Cover Classifiers (standard).

#### SEEA Land cover applications

- In support of Land Use statistical process with countries;
- Internal QA/QC Trend analyses Gap filling for Land Use;
- Relevant processes (including SDGs)/collaborations/SEEA database);
- Increasing role of geospatial information: SDGs process (covariate; stratification in integrated agricultural surveys).
   http://2016africalandcover20m.esrin.esa.int/



#### United Republic of Tanzania



Preliminary mapping of Land Cover to Land Use Internal QA/QC

Work with countries

Assessment of uncertainties

Refinement

### Temperature Changes

Higher temperatures impact negatively crop growth and yields throughout the world, putting livelihoods of million of farmers and communities at risk, in all regions



### FAOSTAT Climate Change Indicators: Temperature Change

Collaboration with NASA Goddard Institute for Space Studies
 <a href="https://data.giss.nasa.gov/gistemp/">https://data.giss.nasa.gov/gistemp/</a>;

 Country data set of temperature anomalies compared to a climatology reference (1951-1980);

○ Data 1961 - 2016, will be updated yearly.

http://www.fao.org/faostat/en/#data/ET





### **Temperature Change**

Temperature Change & Standard Deviations for annual, seasonal and monthly means, 1961-2016





### **Communicating Climate Change Indicators**

# Indicator FDES Basic Set of Statistics:

Deviation of annual average temperature from long-term annual average



#### Mean annual temperature anomalies

Source: FAOSTAT, 2017



### Mean Annual Change Temperature Index

FAO youtube channel:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FFp08Jxto6w



TED<sub>x</sub> Talks



### Conclusions

- FAOSTAT agri-environment and climate change statistics in support of member countries;
- Focus on climate change statistics, in support to NSOs for relevant international reporting processes, under the Paris Agreement and in connection to the SDGs;
- Close collaboration with UNSD/UNECE for set of climate change statistics and meeting emerging data needs;
- Geospatial increasingly part of the process need for integration.



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