

Name of the indicator	15.2 Forest cover
Sustainable Development Goal	Goal 15. Life on land
Target	-
Definition	Percentage ratio of the forest area to the total geodesic area of a territorial unit.
Unit	percent [%]
Available dimensions	total
Methodological explanations	<p>Forest areas include land with a homogenous area of at least 0.10 ha, covered with forest vegetation (wooded area), or temporarily devoid of forest vegetation (non-wooded area). These areas are designated for silviculture production or constitute nature reserves included in the area of national parks or registered as nature monuments.</p> <p>Wooded area includes any land covered with crops, greenwoods and older wood stands, as well as poplars, seed plantations and fast-growing tree species.</p> <p>Non-wooded area includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - land utilised for by-production (such as: plantations of Christmas trees and bushes, hunting fields within forest area); - temporarily devoid of tree stands and designated for renewal in the nearest future (such as: felling sites, blanks, irregularly stocked open stands); - land designated to be covered by legal protection (e.g., forest ponds included in forest areas, plants wasteland – mountain meadows and pastures); - deforested forest land designated to be excluded from production (e.g., marshes and hollows in the area of mining damage). <p>The geodetic area is the surface area of units of territorial division of the State according to the National Register of Boundaries.</p>
Source of data	Statistics Poland
Data availability	Annual data; since 2010
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