

SDG Goal 11 Sustainable cities and communities

SDG Target 11.6 By 2030, reduce the adverse per capita environmental impact of cities,

including by paying special attention to air quality and municipal and

other waste management

SDG Indicator 11.6.2 Annual mean levels of fine particulate matter (e.g. PM_{2.5} and PM₁₀) in cities

(population weighted)

Time series Population weighted annual mean levels of fine particulate matter

1. General information on the time series

• Date of national metadata: 3 August 2022

• National data: http://sdg-indicators.de/11-6-2/

• Definition: The time series measures the average PM_{2.5} and PM₁₀ concentration per year in Germany, weighted by population.

• Disaggregation: fine particulate matter

2. Comparability with the global metadata

• Date of global metadata: July 2017

• Global metadata: https://unstats.un.org/sdgs/metadata/files/Metadata-11-06-02.pdf

• The time series is not compliant with the global metadata, but provides additional information. It covers both PM_{2.5} and PM₁₀, but the time series is population weighted across urban and rural areas in Germany not only across urban areas.

3. Data description

 The data is derived from the German Environment Agency (UBA). The time series is calculated by combining modelled data from the REM-CALGRID chemical transport model, PM_{2.5} and PM₁₀ measurement data provided by the Federal States of Germany and the UBA and additional interpolation procedures.

4. Access to data source

 Population-weighted particulate matter exposure: https://www.umweltbundesamt.de/en/indicator-population-weighted-particulate-matter

5. Metadata on source data

Population-weighted particulate matter exposure:
 https://www.umweltbundesamt.de/en/indicator-population-weighted-particulate-matter#assessing-the-development

6. Timeliness and frequency

• Timeliness: Not available.

Frequency: Annual

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7. Calculation method

- Unit of measurement: Micrograms per m³
- Calculation:

Complex calculation method.

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Time series Population with excessive exposure to fine particulate matter

1. General information on the time series

• Date of national metadata: 3 August 2022

• National data: http://sdg-indicators.de/11-6-2/

• Definition: The time series shows the population exposed to a concentration of fine particulate matter higher than the thresholds defined by WHO.

• Disaggregation: fine particulate matter

2. Comparability with the global metadata

• Date of global metadata: July 2017

• Global metadata: https://unstats.un.org/sdgs/metadata/files/Metadata-11-06-02.pdf

• The time series is not compliant with the global metadata, but provides additional information. It covers both PM_{2.5} and PM₁₀, but the time series is population weighted across urban and rural areas in Germany, i.e. not only across urban areas. Instead of the mean levels of fine particulate matter, it shows the population number exposed to fine particulate matter higher than a certain level.

3. Data description

• The data is provided by the German Environment Agency (UBA). The time series is calculated by combining modelled data from the REM-CALGRID chemical transport model, PM_{10} measurement data provided by the Federal States of Germany and the UBA, a conversion to $PM_{2.5}$ and additional interpolation procedures.

4. Access to data source

• Population exposed to PM2.5-concentrations exceeding the WHO annual mean guideline value: https://www.umweltbundesamt.de/en/data/environmental-indicators/indicator-population-exposure-to-particulate-matter

5. Metadata on source data

• Population exposed to PM2.5-concentrations exceeding the WHO annual mean guideline value: https://www.umweltbundesamt.de/en/data/environmental-indicators/indicator-population-exposure-to-particulate-matter

6. Timeliness and frequency

• Timeliness: Not available.

Frequency: Annual

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7. Calculation method

- Unit of measurement: Million inhabitants
- Calculation:

Complex calculation method.

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