Marshall Islands Country Insights

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Congratulations! This country has available data.

This page includes country-specific insights and more detailed analysis, including carbon stocks, emissions factors, and ecosystem wetland area for mangrove, marsh, and seagrass ecosystems. This report details information for the selected country, **Marshall Islands**.

Please explore the rest of the dashboard for more exciting visualizations, map features, and data.

Resources referenced to calculate estimates for Marshall Islands are listed below under 'References' at the bottom of this document.

Total Carbon Stock Estimates

Total Carbon stock estimates were calculated for each country and habitat At this time total Carbon stock estimates do not include seagrass

We estimate that Marshall Islands contains between 532.89 to 381.17 metric tonnes of soil C to a depth of 1 m, with a mean estimate of 457.03 metric tonnes C.

country	territory	habitat	total_stocks to	otal_stocks_lowertot	al_stocks_uppet	otal_stocks_se
Marshall Islands	Marshall Islands	total	457.0295	532.8903	381.1687	38.70448

This total estimate includes total mangrove carbon stocks, from NA to NA metric tonnes of soil C to a depth of 1 m, with a mean estimate of 457.03

country	territory	habitat	total_stocks	total_stocks_lowerotal_	_stocks_uppetrotal	_stocks_se
Marshall Islands	Marshall Islands	mangrove	457.0295	NA	NA	39.51082

This total estimate also includes total tidal marsh carbon stocks, ranging from NA to NAmetric tonnes of soil C to a depth of 1 m, with a mean estimate of 0

country	territory	habitat	total_stocks total_	_stocks_lowertotal	_stocks_upperotal_	_stocks_se
Marshall Islands	Marshall Islands	marsh	0	NA	NA	NA

Seagrass carbon stocks were not included in the total value due to lack of a global, transparent, and independently assessed seagrass habitat map, however, best available areas and stocks for **Marshall Islands** are explored in the following 'Wetland Areas and Activities' section.

Wetland Areas and Activities

We estimate mangrove area in **Marshall Islands** to be 1.03963972787487 to 0 hectares, with a mean estimate of 1.18401430664063 hectares according to Global Mangrove Watch Bunting et al. (2018).

We estimate tidal marsh area in **Marshall Islands** to be 0 to 0 hectares, with a mean estimate of hectares according to Worthington et al. (2024).

We estimate seagrass area to be **Marshall Islands** to be a mean of 51070 hectares, according to McKenzie et al. (2020), aggregating data from multiple sources.

McKenzie et al. (2020) classifies seagrass area estimates as either high or medium to low confidence. seagrass_area_high_confidence % of the estimated seagrass area of **Marshall Islands** is considered high to medium confidence, while seagrass_area_low_confidence % of the estimated seagrass area is categorized as low confidence.

Calculated Stocks and Emissions Factors

This section of the report details whether data is available to estimate Tier I, Tier II, or Tier III value estimates for tidal marsh, mangrove, and seagrass ecosystems in Marshall Islands.

If data for the selected country is available in the Coastal Carbon Atlas, we have applied a Tier II emission factor based on a simple average of country specific data queried from the Atlas.

Data from **Marshall Islands** includes 0 soil profiles from 0watersheds. This data comes from 0 different habitat types.

If there is not yet any country specific information in the Coastal Carbon Atlas, we instead applied IPCC Tier I estimate. IPCC Tier I estimates for mangrove, marsh, and seagrass ecosystems are listed below. **SOURCE**

The table in this section also details whether the calculated Tier II value is significantly different from the estimated Tier I values. This is observed in the "Overlap" column.

Table 4: IPCC Tier I Value Estimates

Habitat	Mean	Lower_CI	Upper_CI
mangrove	386	351	424
marsh	255	254	297
seagrass	108	84	139

Table 5: Availiability of Tier I and Tier II Data

Country	Territory	Habitat	Tier	Overlap
Marshall Islands	Marshall Islands	mangrove	Tier I	NA
Marshall Islands	Marshall Islands	marsh	Tier I	
Marshall Islands	Marshall Islands	seagrass	Tier I	

Tier I Carbon Stocks

This table includes Tier I Carbon Stocks included for Marshall Islands.

country	territory	habitat stock_	_MgHa steack	_MgHa_lowser@k_	_MgHa_u	ppierrCI	carbon_pool
Marshall	Marshall	mangrove	386	351	424	TierI	soil
Islands	Islands						
Marshall	Marshall	marsh	255	254	297	TierI	soil
Islands	Islands						
Marshall	Marshall	seagrass	108	84	139	TierI	soil
Islands	Islands						

Tier II Carbon Stocks

This table includes Tier II Carbon Stock estimates for **Marshall Islands**. Estimates in this table were derived from data queried from the Coastal Carbon Atlas. SOURCE

country territory habitat tier	carbon_pooltock_MgHa_rstendr	MgHa_steeckMgHa_upptercklMgHa_lowerC
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Tier III Carbon Stocks

Tier III carbon stocks were estimated, when available, from remote sensing data from Maxwell et al 2021 and Sanderman et al 2018. The table below details whether estimated values are available for **Marshall Islands**, and any overlap with associated Tier I or Tier II values.

If there are no Tier III estimates associated with the selected country, please refer to Tier I and Tier II tables.

[1] "There are currently no Tier III remote sensing estimates for this country. Please refer to Tier

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