SOUTH AFRICA
Southern Africa

▼ OVERALL PERFORMANCE

Index score
59.0

Regional average score
54.8
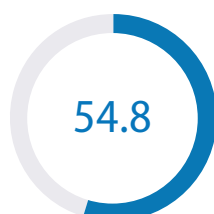
Africa Index Rank

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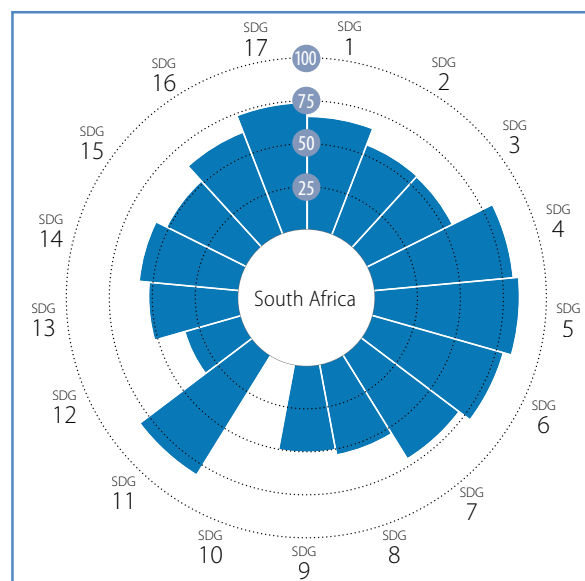
▲ AVERAGE PERFORMANCE BY SDG

▼ COMPARISON WITH OTHER AFRICAN INDICES

	RANK	SCORE
Africa Gender Equality Index (2015)	1 (of 52)	74.5 / 100
Africa Infrastructure Development Index (2016)	4 (of 54)	78.53 / 100
Africa Regional Integration Index (2016)	2 (of 52)	0.74 / 1
Ibrahim Index on African Governance (2017)	6 (of 54)	70.1 / 100

▼ CURRENT ASSESSMENT – SDG DASHBOARD

▼ SDG TRENDS

Notes: The full title of Goal 2 "Zero Hunger" is "End hunger, achieve food security and improved nutrition and promote sustainable agriculture".
The full title of each SDG is available here: https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/topics/sustainabledevelopmentgoals

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SOUTH AFRICA
Performance by Indicator

SDG1 – End Poverty

Indicator	Value	Rating	Trend
Poverty headcount ratio at $1.90/day (% population)	24.6	🔴	→
Projected poverty headcount ratio at $1.90/day in 2030 (% population)	22.2	🔴	••
Proportion of population living below the national poverty line	53.8	🔴	••
Population covered by Social Protection (%)	86.6	🟢	••

SDG2 – Zero Hunger

Indicator	Value	Rating	Trend
Prevalence of undernourishment (% population)	4.6	🟢	••
Prevalence of stunting (low height-for-age) in children under 5 years of age (%)	23.9	🔴	↗
Prevalence of wasting in children under 5 years of age (%)	4.7	🟢	↑
Prevalence of obesity, BMI ≥ 30 (% adult population)	28.3	🟠	↓
Cereal yield (t/ha)	3.8	🟢	→
Fertilizer consumption (kg per hectare of arable land)	58.5	🟢	→

SDG3 – Good Health and Well-Being

Indicator	Value	Rating	Trend
Maternal mortality rate (per 100,000 live births)	138.0	🟠	↗
Births attended by skilled health personnel (%)	94.3	🟢	••
Neonatal mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	12.4	🟢	↑
Mortality rate, under-5 (per 1,000 live births)	43.3	🟠	↑
HIV prevalence (per 1,000)	4.4	🔴	↑
People living with HIV receiving antiretroviral therapy (%)	56.0	🟠	↑
Incidence of tuberculosis (per 100,000 people)	781.0	🔴	↗
Proportion of children under 5 with fever who are treated with appropriate anti-malarial drugs (%)	NA	⚪	••
Malaria mortality rate	0.2	🟢	→
Coverage of Preventive Chemotherapy for Neglected Tropical Diseases (%)	57.3	🟠	••
Age-standardised death rate due to cardiovascular disease, cancer, diabetes, and chronic respiratory disease in populations age 30–70 years (per 100,000 population)	26.5	🟠	→
Traffic deaths rate (per 100,000 people)	21.3	🟠	↗
Adolescent fertility rate (births per 1,000 women ages 15-19)	44.4	🟠	↑
Universal Health Coverage Tracer Index (0-100)	53.6	🟠	→
Age-standardised death rate attributable to household air pollution and ambient air pollution (per 100,000 population)	67.2	🟡	••
Percentage of surviving infants who received 2 WHO-recommended vaccines (%)	66.0	🟠	↑
Healthy Life Expectancy at birth (years)	62.9	🟡	↑
Subjective Wellbeing (average ladder score, 0-10)	4.5	🟠	↗

SDG4 – Quality Education

Indicator	Value	Rating	Trend
Net primary enrolment rate (%)	80.0	🟠	••
Mean years of schooling (years)	10.3	🟡	↑
Literacy rate of 15-24 year olds, both sexes (%)	99.0	🟢	••

SDG5 – Gender Equality

Indicator	Value	Rating	Trend
Proportion of women aged 20-24 years who were married or in a union before age 18	5.6	🟡	••
Proportion of girls and women aged 15-49 years who have undergone female genital mutilation/cutting, by age	NA	⚪	••
Seats held by women in national parliaments (%)	42.0	🟢	→
Women in ministerial positions (%)	41.7	🟢	••
Estimated demand for contraception that is unmet (% women married or in union, ages 15-49)	14.6	🟢	→
Ratio of female to male mean years of schooling of population age 25 and above	97.1	🟡	••
Ratio of female to male labour force participation rate	77.2	🟢	→

SDG6 – Clean Water and Sanitation

Indicator	Value	Rating	Trend
Population using at least basic drinking water services (%)	84.7	🟡	↗
Population using at least basic sanitation services (%)	73.1	🟡	↗
Freshwater withdrawal as % total renewable water resources	42.9	🟡	••
Imported groundwater depletion (m³/year/capita)	3.3	🟢	••

SDG7 – Affordable and Clean Energy

Indicator	Value	Rating	Trend
Access to electricity (% population)	86.0	🟡	↗
Access to clean fuels & technology for cooking (% population)	81.8	🟡	↑
Renewable energy share in the total final energy consumption	16.6	🔴	→
Consumer affordability of electricity	100.0	🟢	••

SDG8 – Decent Work and Economic Growth

Indicator	Value	Rating	Trend
5-year average GDP growth per capita (%)	0.2	🔴	••
Employment-to-population ratio	39.0	🔴	→
Slavery score (0-100)	80.0	🔴	••
Adults (15 years and older) with an account at a bank or other financial institution or with a mobile-money-service provider (%)	69.2	🟡	↑
Starting a Business score	74.0	🟠	↓

SDG9 – Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure

Indicator	Value	Rating	Trend
Infrastructure score (0-100)	63.4	🟠	••
Logistics performance index: Quality of trade and transport-related infrastructure (1=low to 5=high)	3.8	🟢	••
Research and development expenditure (% GDP)	0.7	🟠	••
Number of scientific and technical journal articles (per 1,000)	0.2	🟠	••
Mobile broadband subscriptions (per 100 inhabitants)	56.3	🟡	↑
Proportion of the population using the internet (%)	54.0	🟡	↑

SDG10 – Reduced Inequalities

Indicator	Value	Rating	Trend
Gini Coefficient adjusted for top income (1-100)	67.1	🔴	••

SDG11 – Sustainable Cities and Communities

Indicator	Value	Rating	Trend
Proportion of urban population living in slums	23.0	🟡	••
Improved water source, piped (% urban population with access)	98.6	🟢	→
Satisfaction with public transport (%)	67.0	🟢	↑
Annual mean concentration of particulate matter of less than 2.5 microns of diameter (PM2.5) in urban areas (µg/m³)	29.6	🟠	↓

SDG12 – Responsible Consumption and Production

Indicator	Value	Rating	Trend
Municipal Solid Waste (kg/year/capita)	2.0	🟢	••
E-waste generated (kg/capita)	6.6	🟠	••
Natural Resource Value Realization Score	49.9	🟠	••
Production-based SO_2 emissions (kg/capita)	57.2	🔴	••
Anthropogenic wastewater that receives treatment (%)	32.5	🟡	••
Net imported SO_2 emissions (kg/capita)	-22.2	🟢	••

SDG13 – Climate Action

Indicator	Value	Rating	Trend
Climate Change Vulnerability Monitor (best 0-1 worst)	0.1	🟢	••
Energy-related CO_2 emissions per capita (tCO_2/capita)	9.0	🔴	→
Imported CO_2 emissions, technology-adjusted (tCO_2/capita)	-0.1	⚪	••
CO_2 emissions embodied in fossil fuel exports (kg/capita)	3404.7	🟠	••

SDG14 – Life Below Water

Indicator	Value	Rating	Trend
Percentage of inadequately managed plastic waste	54.0	🟠	••
Ocean Health Index Goal - Clean Waters (0-100)	56.4	🟠	↓
Ocean Health Index Goal - Biodiversity (0-100)	90.6	🟢	→
Ocean Health Index Goal - Fisheries (0-100)	66.9	🟡	↓
Mean area that is protected in marine sites important to biodiversity (%)	62.9	🟢	••
Percentage of Fish Stocks overexploited or collapsed by EEZ (%)	33.8	🟡	••
Fish caught by trawling (%)	26.6	🟡	→

SDG15 – Life on Land

Indicator	Value	Rating	Trend
Mean area that is protected in terrestrial sites important to biodiversity (%)	54.5	🟢	→
Percentage change in forest area (2010-2015)	0.0	🟢	→
Red List Index of species survival (0-1)	0.8	🟡	↓
Imported biodiversity threats (threats/capita)	1.9	🟠	••

SDG16 – Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions

Indicator	Value	Rating	Trend
Homicides (per 100,000 people)	34.3	🔴	••
Conflict-related deaths per 100,000	0.0	🟢	→
Proportion of the population who feel safe walking alone at night in the city or area where they live (%)	31.0	🔴	→
Children 5–14 years old involved in child labour (%)	NA	⚪	••
Property Rights (0-100)	85.4	🟢	↓
Access to justice (0-100)	86.3	🟢	→
Corruption Perception Index (0-100)	43	🟠	→
Public Sector Accountability & Transparency (0-100)	77.7	🟢	↑
Birth registrations with civil authority, children under 5 years of age (%)	85	🟡	••

SDG17 – Partnerships for the Goals

Indicator	Value	Rating	Trend
Tax revenue (% GDP)	31.5	🟢	→
Government Health and Education spending (% GDP)	14.8	🟠	••
Level of customs duties on imports	0.0	🟢	••
Visa Requirement score	120.0	🔴	••
Governmental Statistical Capacity	75.6	🟢	↓

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