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Southern Europe

▼ Overall Performance

Index score

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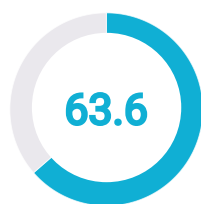
SDG Rank

Malta

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## ▼ Performance by SDG
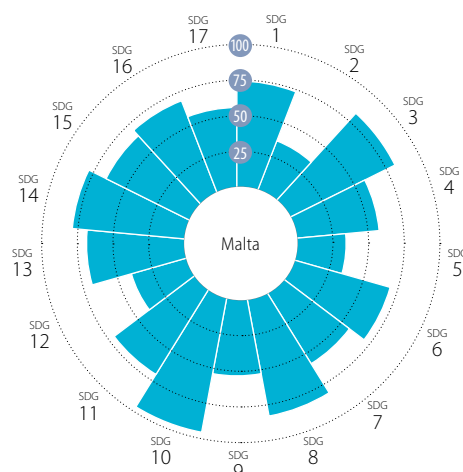
▼ SDG Dashboards and Trends

🟥 Major challenges	🟧 Significant challenges	🟨 Challenges remain
🟩 SDG achieved	⬜ Information unavailable	
↓ Decreasing	→ Stagnating	↗ Moderately improving
↑ On track or maintaining SDG achievement	● Information unavailable	

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▼ Leave No One Behind Index

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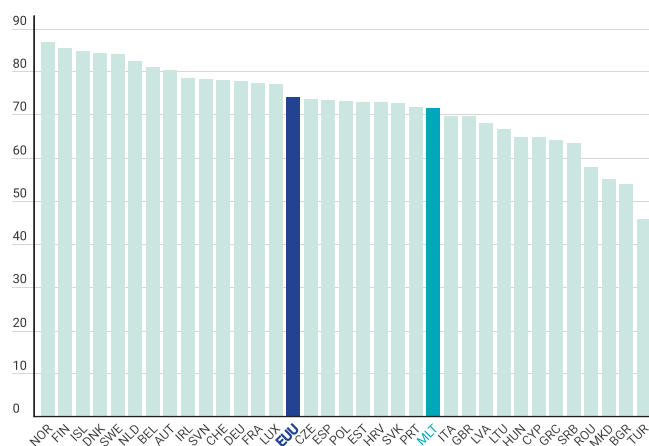
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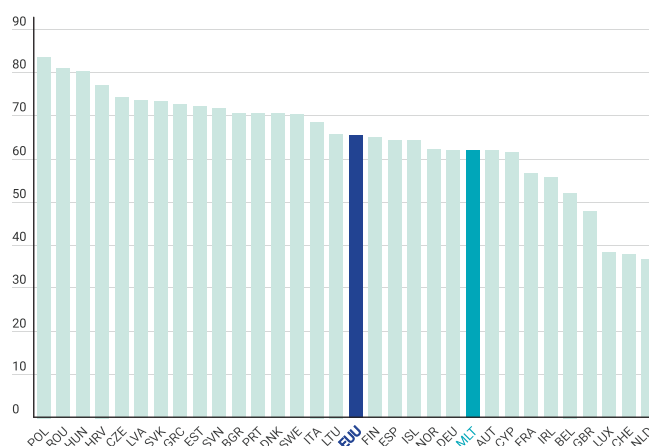https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/topics/sustainabledevelopmentgoals. Detailed results and methodology available online at https://www.sdgindex.org/EU

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Performance by Indicator

SDG1 – No Poverty

Indicator	Value	Year	Rating	Trend
People at risk of income poverty after social transfers (%)	16.9	2020	yellow	↓
Severely materially deprived people (%)	3.3	2020	green	↑
Poverty headcount ratio at $5.50/day (%)	0.2	2021	green	↑

SDG2 – Zero Hunger

Indicator	Value	Year	Rating	Trend
Prevalence of obesity, BMI ≥ 30 (% of adult population)	* 28.7	2019	red	↓
Human Trophic Level (best 2–3 worst)	2.31	2017	orange	→
Yield gap closure (%)	NA	NA	grey	grey
Gross nitrogen balance on agricultural land (kg/hectare)	147.0	2015	red	grey
Ammonia emissions from agriculture (kg/hectare)	103.2	2018	red	→
Exports of pesticides banned in the EU (kg per 1,000 population)	0.0	2019	green	grey

SDG3 – Good Health and Well-Being

Indicator	Value	Year	Rating	Trend
Life expectancy at birth (years)	82.6	2020	green	↑
Gap in life expectancy at birth among regions (years)	NA	NA	grey	↑
Population with good or very good perceived health (% of population aged 16 or over)	74.2	2019	green	↑
Gap in self-reported health, by income (p.p.)	31.2	2019	yellow	↓
Gap in self-reported unmet need for medical examination and care, by income (p.p.)	0.2	2019	green	↑
New reported cases of tuberculosis (per 100,000 population)	14.0	2019	yellow	↓
Standardised preventable and treatable mortality (per 100,000 population aged less than 75)	202.5	2018	green	↑
Suicide rate (per 100,000 population)	4.1	2018	green	↑
Age-standardised death rate attributable to household air pollution and ambient air pollution (per 100,000 population)	20	2016	yellow	grey
Mortality rate, under-5 (per 1,000 live births)	7.0	2019	green	↑
People killed in road accidents (per 100,000 population)	3.2	2019	green	↑
Surviving infants who received 2 WHO-recommended vaccines (%)	96	2019	green	↑
Population engaging in heavy, episodic drinking at least once a week (%)	5.0	2019	green	↑
Smoking prevalence (%)	20	2020	green	↑
People covered by health insurance for a core set of services (%)	100.0	2016	green	grey
Share of total health spending financed by out-of-pocket payments (%)	34.3	2018	green	↑
Subjective Wellbeing (average ladder score, worst 0–10 best)	6.4	2021	green	↑
Individuals that use the internet to make appointments with a practicioner (%)	13	2020	orange	↑

SDG4 – Quality Education

Indicator	Value	Year	Rating	Trend
Participation in early childhood education (% of children between age of 3 and starting age of compulsory primary education)	91.9	2019	green	↑
Early leavers from education and training (% of population aged 18 to 24)	16.7	2020	red	↑
PISA score (worst 0–600 best)	459.0	2018	yellow	↓
Underachievers in science (% of population aged 15)	33.5	2018	red	↓
Variation in science performance explained by students' socio-economic status (%)	14.5	2015	yellow	grey
Tertiary educational attainment (% of population aged 25 to 34)	40.2	2020	green	↑
Adult participation in learning (%)	11.0	2020	green	↑

SDG5 – Gender Equality

Indicator	Value	Year	Rating	Trend
Unadjusted gender pay gap (% of gross male earnings)	11.6	2019	green	↑
Gender employment gap (p.p.)	17.7	2020	orange	↑
Population inactive due to caring responsibilities (% of population aged 20 to 64)	38.8	2020	orange	↓
Seats held by women in national parliaments (%)	13.4	2020	red	→
Positions held by women in senior management positions (%)	9.9	2020	red	→
Proportion of ICT specialists that are women (%)	11.0	2020	orange	↓

SDG6 – Clean Water and Sanitation

Indicator	Value	Year	Rating	Trend
Population having neither a bath, nor a shower, nor indoor flushing toilet in their household (%)	0.0	2019	green	↑
Population connected to at least secondary wastewater treatment (%)	0.0	2018	red	→
Freshwater abstraction (% of long-term average available water)	18.5	2017	yellow	↗
Scarce water consumption embodied in imports (m³/capita)	39.2	2013	orange	→
Population using safely managed water services (%)	100.0	2020	green	↑
Population using safely managed sanitation services (%)	91.9	2020	green	↑

SDG7 – Affordable and Clean Energy

Indicator	Value	Year	Rating	Trend
Population unable to keep home adequately warm (%)	7.5	2020	yellow	↑
Share of renewable energy in gross final energy consumption (%)	8.5	2019	red	↗
CO$_2$ emissions from fuel combustion per electricity output (MtCO$_2$/TWh)	0.8	2018	green	↑

SDG8 – Decent Work and Economic Growth

Indicator	Value	Year	Rating	Trend
Protection of fundamental labour rights (worst 0–1 best)	0.78	2020	green	grey
Gross disposable income (€/capita)	NA	NA	grey	grey
Youth not in employment, education or training (NEET) (% of population aged 15 to 29)	9.4	2020	green	↑
Unemployment Rate (% labour force)	4.4	2020	green	↑

SDG8 – (continued)

Indicator	Value	Year	Rating	Trend
People killed in accidents at work (per 100,000 population)	1.2	2019	green	↑
In work at-risk-of-poverty rate (%)	7.4	2020	green	↑
Fatal work-related accidents embodied in imports (per 100,000 population)	1.2	2015	green	↑

SDG9 – Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure

Indicator	Value	Year	Rating	Trend
Gross domestic expenditure on R&D (% of GDP)	0.6	2019	red	↓
R&D personnel (% of active population)	0.6	2019	orange	↓
Patent applications to the European Patent Office (per 1,000,000 population)	147.2	2020	green	↑
Households with broadband access (%)	90	2020	green	↑
Gap in internet access, urban vs rural areas (p.p.)	5	2020	green	↑
Individuals aged 55 to 74 years old who have basic or above basic digital skills (%)	23	2019	orange	→
Logistics performance index: Quality of trade and transport-related infrastructure (worst 1–5 best)	2.9	2018	yellow	↓
The Times Higher Education Universities Ranking: Average score of top 3 universities (worst 0–100 best)	33.3	2021	green	grey
Scientific and technical journal articles (per 1,000 population)	1.0	2018	green	↑

SDG10 – Reduced Inequalities

Indicator	Value	Year	Rating	Trend
Gini Coefficient	28.0	2019	green	↑
Palma ratio	* 1.06	2018	yellow	grey

SDG11 – Sustainable Cities and Communities

Indicator	Value	Year	Rating	Trend
Urban population without access to green urban areas in their neighbourhood (%)	17.1	2018	orange	↓
Overcrowding rate among people living with below 60% of median equivalized income (%)	6.6	2019	green	↑
Recycling rate of municipal waste (%)	8.9	2019	red	↓
Population living in a dwelling with a leaking roof, damp walls, floors or foundation or rot in window frames or floor (%)	6.1	2020	green	↑
Exposure to air pollution: PM2.5 in urban areas (μg/m³)	NA	NA	grey	grey

SDG12 – Responsible Consumption and Production

Indicator	Value	Year	Rating	Trend
Circular material use rate (%)	7.7	2019	orange	↗
Gross value added in environmental goods and services sector	1.0	2018	red	↓
Production-based SO$_2$ emissions (kg/capita)	876.3	2015	red	↓
Imported SO$_2$ emissions (kg/capita)	40.6	2015	red	↓
Production-based emissions of reactive nitrogen (kg/capita)	1.7	2015	green	↑
Imported emissions of reactive nitrogen (kg/capita)	14.8	2015	orange	↓

SDG13 – Climate Action

Indicator	Value	Year	Rating	Trend
CO$_2$ emissions from fossil fuel combustion and cement production (tCO$_2$/capita)	3.5	2019	orange	↗
CO$_2$ emissions embodied in imports (tCO$_2$/capita)	2.8	2015	red	→
CO$_2$ emissions embodied in fossil fuel exports (kg/capita)	0.0	2019	green	grey

SDG14 – Life Below Water

Indicator	Value	Year	Rating	Trend
Bathing sites of excellent quality (%)	97.7	2019	green	↑
Fish caught from overexploited or collapsed stocks (% of total catch)	18.9	2018	red	↓
Fish caught by bottom trawling or dredging (%)	89.6	2018	red	→
Fish caught that are then discarded (%)	1.6	2018	green	↑
Marine biodiversity threats embodied in imports (per million population)	0.1	2018	green	↑
Mean area that is protected in marine sites important to biodiversity (%)	89.5	2020	yellow	↑

SDG15 – Life on Land

Indicator	Value	Year	Rating	Trend
Mean area that is protected in terrestrial sites important to biodiversity (%)	79.5	2020	orange	→
Mean area that is protected in freshwater sites important to biodiversity (%)	NA	NA	grey	grey
Biochemical oxygen demand in rivers (mg O$_2$/litre)	NA	NA	grey	grey
Nitrate in groundwater (mg NO$_3$/litre)	53.4	2018	red	↗
Red List Index of species survival (worst 0–1 best)	0.87	2021	red	→
Terrestrial and freshwater biodiversity threats embodied in imports (per million population)	1.1	2018	yellow	grey

SDG16 – Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions

Indicator	Value	Year	Rating	Trend
Death rate due to homicide (per 100,000 population)	1.6	2018	yellow	↓
Population reporting crime in their area (%)	13.6	2019	yellow	↓
Gap in population reporting crime in their area, by income (p.p.)	0.0	2019	green	↑
Access to justice (worst 0–1 best)	0.66	2020	yellow	grey
Timeliness of administrative proceedings (worst 0–1 best)	0.43	2020	orange	grey
Constraints on government power (worst 0–1 best)	0.65	2020	yellow	grey
Corruption Perceptions Index (worst 0–100 best)	53	2020	orange	↓
Unsentenced detainees (% of prison population)	27.9	2018	green	↑
Exports of major conventional weapons (TIV constant 1990 million USD per 100,000 population)	1.15	2015	yellow	grey
Press Freedom Index (best 0–100 worst)	30.5	2021	yellow	↓

SDG17 – Partnerships for the Goals

Indicator	Value	Year	Rating	Trend
Official development assistance (% of GNI)	0.44	2020	orange	↑
Shifted profits of multinationals (billion USD)	-12.4	2018	yellow	→
Corporate Tax Haven Score (best 0–100 worst)	* 79	2021	red	grey
Statistical Performance Index (worst 0–100 best)	74.6	2019	yellow	↗

* Imputed data point