KOREA, DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF East and South Asia

▼ OVERALL PERFORMANCE

COUNTRY RANKING
Korea, Dem. Rep.

NA /165

COUNTRY SCORE

na

REGIONAL AVERAGE: 65.7

STATISTICAL PERFORMANCE INDEX
0 (WORST) TO 100 (BEST)

0   na   100
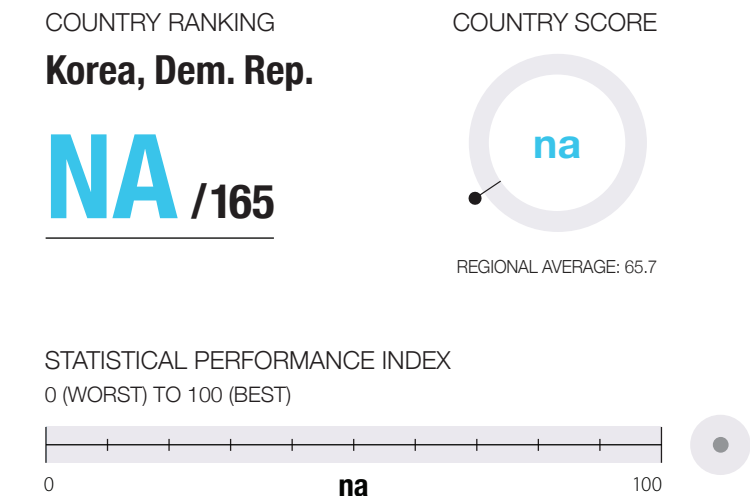
▼ AVERAGE PERFORMANCE BY SDG

Korea, Dem. Rep.

SDG 17, SDG 16, SDG 15, SDG 14, SDG 13, SDG 12, SDG 11, SDG 10, SDG 9, SDG 8, SDG 7, SDG 6, SDG 5, SDG 4, SDG 3, SDG 2, SDG 1

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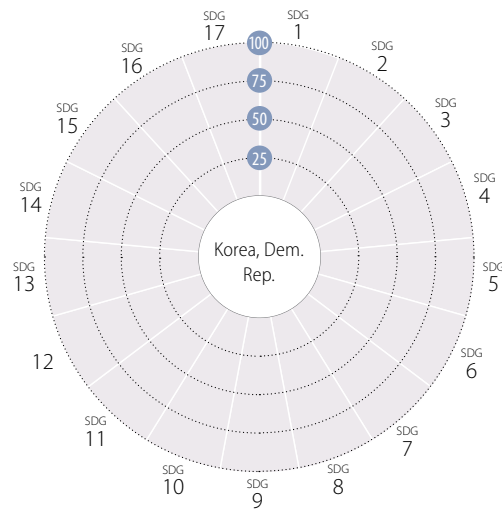
▼ SDG DASHBOARDS AND TRENDS

1 NO POVERTY ●	2 ZERO HUNGER →	3 GOOD HEALTH AND WELL-BEING ↗	4 QUALITY EDUCATION ●	5 GENDER EQUALITY ↗	6 CLEAN WATER AND SANITATION ↗
7 AFFORDABLE AND CLEAN ENERGY ↗	8 DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH ↑	9 INDUSTRY, INNOVATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE →	10 REDUCED INEQUALITIES ●	11 SUSTAINABLE CITIES AND COMMUNITIES →	12 RESPONSIBLE CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION ●
13 CLIMATE ACTION ↑	14 LIFE BELOW WATER →	15 LIFE ON LAND →	16 PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS →	17 PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS ●	

■ Major challenges   ■ Significant challenges   ■ Challenges remain   ■ SDG achieved   ■ Information unavailable

↓ Decreasing   → Stagnating   ↗ Moderately improving   ↑ On track or maintaining SDG achievement   ● Information unavailable
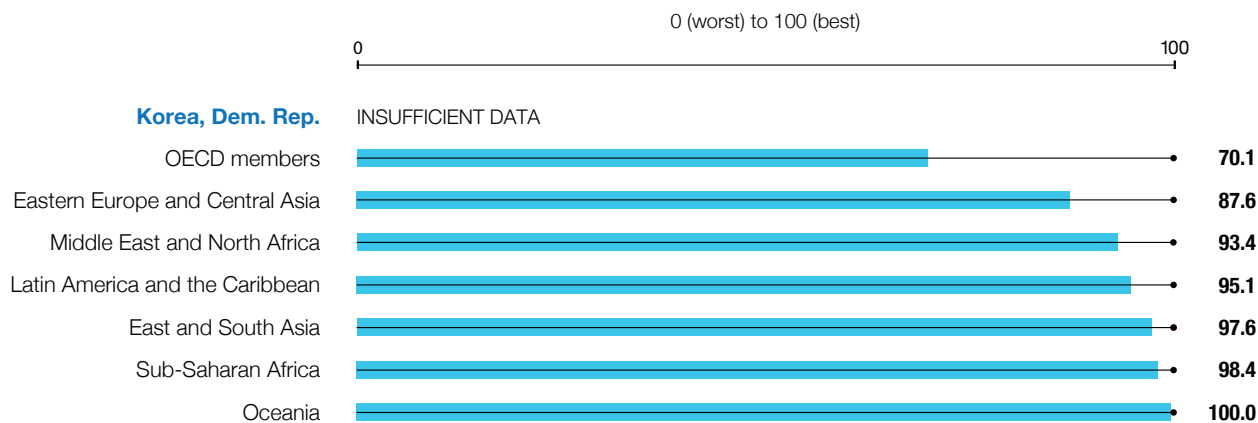
Notes: The full title of Goal 2 "Zero Hunger" is "End hunger, achieve food security and improved nutrition and promote sustainable agriculture".
The full title of each SDG is available here: https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/topics/sustainabledevelopmentgoals

▼ INTERNATIONAL SPILLOVER INDEX

0 (worst) to 100 (best)

0   100

Korea, Dem. Rep.	INSUFFICIENT DATA
OECD members	70.1
Eastern Europe and Central Asia	87.6
Middle East and North Africa	93.4
Latin America and the Caribbean	95.1
East and South Asia	97.6
Sub-Saharan Africa	98.4
Oceania	100.0

SDG1 – No Poverty

Indicator	Value	Year	Rating	Trend
Poverty headcount ratio at $1.90/day (%)	* NA	NA	grey	grey
Poverty headcount ratio at $3.20/day (%)	* NA	NA	grey	grey

SDG2 – Zero Hunger

Indicator	Value	Year	Rating	Trend
Prevalence of undernourishment (%)	47.6	2018	red	↓
Prevalence of stunting in children under 5 years of age (%)	19.1	2017	red	→
Prevalence of wasting in children under 5 years of age (%)	2.5	2017	green	↑
Prevalence of obesity, BMI ≥ 30 (% of adult population)	6.8	2016	green	↑
Human Trophic Level (best 2–3 worst)	2.1	2017	green	↑
Cereal yield (tonnes per hectare of harvested land)	3.6	2018	green	↑
Sustainable Nitrogen Management Index (best 0–1.41 worst)	0.5	2015	yellow	→
Exports of hazardous pesticides (tonnes per million population)	NA	NA	grey	grey

SDG3 – Good Health and Well-Being

Indicator	Value	Year	Rating	Trend
Maternal mortality rate (per 100,000 live births)	89	2017	yellow	↗
Neonatal mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	9.5	2019	green	↑
Mortality rate, under-5 (per 1,000 live births)	17.3	2019	green	↑
Incidence of tuberculosis (per 100,000 population)	513.0	2019	red	→
New HIV infections (per 1,000 uninfected population)	NA	NA	grey	grey
Age-standardized death rate due to cardiovascular disease, cancer, diabetes, or chronic respiratory disease in adults aged 30–70 years (%)	25.6	2016	red	→
Age-standardized death rate attributable to household air pollution and ambient air pollution (per 100,000 population)	207	2016	red	grey
Traffic deaths (per 100,000 population)	24.2	2019	red	↓
Life expectancy at birth (years)	72.6	2019	orange	→
Adolescent fertility rate (births per 1,000 females aged 15 to 19)	0.3	2018	green	↑
Births attended by skilled health personnel (%)	99.5	2017	green	grey
Surviving infants who received 2 WHO-recommended vaccines (%)	97	2019	green	↑
Universal health coverage (UHC) index of service coverage (worst 0–100 best)	71	2017	yellow	↑
Subjective well-being (average ladder score, worst 0–10 best)	NA	NA	grey	grey

SDG4 – Quality Education

Indicator	Value	Year	Rating	Trend
Net primary enrollment rate (%)	97.8	2009	green	grey
Lower secondary completion rate (%)	NA	NA	grey	grey
Literacy rate (% of population aged 15 to 24)	100.0	2008	green	grey

SDG5 – Gender Equality

Indicator	Value	Year	Rating	Trend
Demand for family planning satisfied by modern methods (% of females aged 15 to 49)	89.6	2017	green	↑
Ratio of female-to-male mean years of education received (%)	NA	NA	grey	grey
Ratio of female-to-male labor force participation rate (%)	83.3	2019	green	↑
Seats held by women in national parliament (%)	17.6	2020	red	→

SDG6 – Clean Water and Sanitation

Indicator	Value	Year	Rating	Trend
Population using at least basic drinking water services (%)	94.5	2017	yellow	→
Population using at least basic sanitation services (%)	83.2	2017	orange	↗
Freshwater withdrawal (% of available freshwater resources)	26.5	2015	yellow	grey
Anthropogenic wastewater that receives treatment (%)	0.0	2018	red	grey
Scarce water consumption embodied in imports (m³/capita)	0.2	2013	green	↑

SDG7 – Affordable and Clean Energy

Indicator	Value	Year	Rating	Trend
Population with access to electricity (%)	48.5	2018	red	↗
Population with access to clean fuels and technology for cooking (%)	10.8	2016	red	→
CO_2 emissions from fuel combustion for electricity and heating per total electricity output (MtCO$_2$/TWh)	1.0	2018	yellow	↑

SDG8 – Decent Work and Economic Growth

Indicator	Value	Year	Rating	Trend
Adjusted GDP growth (%)	NA	NA	grey	grey
Victims of modern slavery (per 1,000 population)	104.6	2018	red	grey
Adults with an account at a bank or other financial institution or with a mobile-money-service provider (% of population aged 15 or over)	NA	NA	grey	grey
Unemployment rate (% of total labor force)	2.8	2020	green	↑
Fundamental labor rights are effectively guaranteed (worst 0–1 best)	NA	NA	grey	grey
Fatal work-related accidents embodied in imports (per 100,000 population)	0.0	2015	green	↑

SDG9 – Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure

Indicator	Value	Year	Rating	Trend
Population using the internet (%)	0.0	2019	red	→
Mobile broadband subscriptions (per 100 population)	15.0	2017	red	grey
Logistics Performance Index: Quality of trade and transport-related infrastructure (worst 1–5 best)	NA	NA	grey	grey
The Times Higher Education Universities Ranking: Average score of top 3 universities (worst 0–100 best)	* 0.0	2020	orange	grey
Scientific and technical journal articles (per 1,000 population)	0.0	2018	red	→
Expenditure on research and development (% of GDP)	* 0.0	2018	red	grey

SDG10 – Reduced Inequalities

Indicator	Value	Year	Rating	Trend
Gini coefficient adjusted for top income	NA	NA	grey	grey
Palma ratio	NA	NA	grey	grey

SDG11 – Sustainable Cities and Communities

Indicator	Value	Year	Rating	Trend
Proportion of urban population living in slums (%)	NA	NA	grey	grey
Annual mean concentration of particulate matter of less than 2.5 microns in diameter (PM2.5) (μg/m³)	29.8	2019	red	↑
Access to improved water source, piped (% of urban population)	76.0	2017	orange	↓
Satisfaction with public transport (%)	NA	NA	grey	grey

SDG12 – Responsible Consumption and Production

Indicator	Value	Year	Rating	Trend
Municipal solid waste (kg/capita/day)	NA	NA	grey	grey
Electronic waste (kg/capita)	NA	NA	grey	grey
Production-based SO$_2$ emissions (kg/capita)	24.5	2012	green	grey
SO$_2$ emissions embodied in imports (kg/capita)	0.1	2012	green	grey
Production-based nitrogen emissions (kg/capita)	5.5	2010	green	grey
Nitrogen emissions embodied in imports (kg/capita)	0.1	2010	green	grey

SDG13 – Climate Action

Indicator	Value	Year	Rating	Trend
CO_2 emissions from fossil fuel combustion and cement production (tCO$_2$/capita)	1.5	2019	green	↑
CO_2 emissions embodied in imports (tCO$_2$/capita)	0.0	2015	green	↑
CO_2 emissions embodied in fossil fuel exports (kg/capita)	NA	NA	grey	grey

SDG14 – Life Below Water

Indicator	Value	Year	Rating	Trend
Mean area that is protected in marine sites important to biodiversity (%)	0.0	2019	red	→
Ocean Health Index: Clean Waters score (worst 0–100 best)	53.8	2020	orange	→
Fish caught from overexploited or collapsed stocks (% of total catch)	21.8	2014	green	↑
Fish caught by trawling or dredging (%)	29.1	2016	yellow	→
Fish caught that are then discarded (%)	0.5	2016	green	grey
Marine biodiversity threats embodied in imports (per million population)	0.0	2018	green	grey

SDG15 – Life on Land

Indicator	Value	Year	Rating	Trend
Mean area that is protected in terrestrial sites important to biodiversity (%)	0.0	2019	red	→
Mean area that is protected in freshwater sites important to biodiversity (%)	0.0	2019	red	→
Red List Index of species survival (worst 0–1 best)	0.9	2020	green	↑
Permanent deforestation (% of forest area, 5-year average)	0.1	2018	yellow	grey
Terrestrial and freshwater biodiversity threats embodied in imports (per million population)	0.0	2018	green	grey

SDG16 – Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions

Indicator	Value	Year	Rating	Trend
Homicides (per 100,000 population)	* 4.4	2015	red	grey
Unsentenced detainees (% of prison population)	NA	NA	grey	grey
Population who feel safe walking alone at night in the city or area where they live (%)	NA	NA	grey	grey
Property Rights (worst 1–7 best)	NA	NA	grey	grey
Birth registrations with civil authority (% of children under age 5)	100.0	2019	green	grey
Corruption Perception Index (worst 0–100 best)	18	2020	red	↗
Children involved in child labor (% of population aged 5 to 14)	4.0	2017	yellow	grey
Exports of major conventional weapons (TIV constant million USD per 100,000 population)	* 0.0	2019	green	grey
Press Freedom Index (best 0–100 worst)	85.8	2020	red	↓
Access to and affordability of justice (worst 0–1 best)	NA	NA	grey	grey

SDG17 – Partnerships for the Goals

Indicator	Value	Year	Rating	Trend
Government spending on health and education (% of GDP)	NA	NA	grey	grey
For high-income and all OECD DAC countries: International concessional public finance, including official development assistance (% of GNI)	NA	NA	grey	grey
Other countries: Government revenue excluding grants (% of GDP)	NA	NA	grey	grey
Corporate Tax Haven Score (best 0–100 worst)	* 0.0	2019	green	grey
Statistical Performance Index (worst 0–100 best)	NA	NA	grey	grey

* Imputed data point