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Sub-Saharan Africa

OVERALL PERFORMANCE

COUNTRY RANKING

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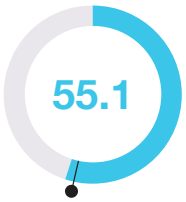
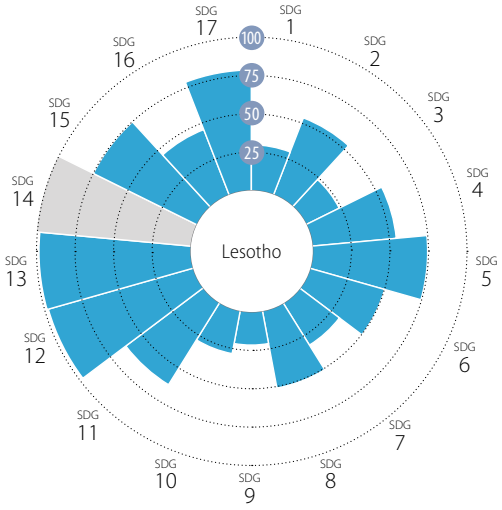
135 /163

COUNTRY SCORE



REGIONAL AVERAGE: 53.6

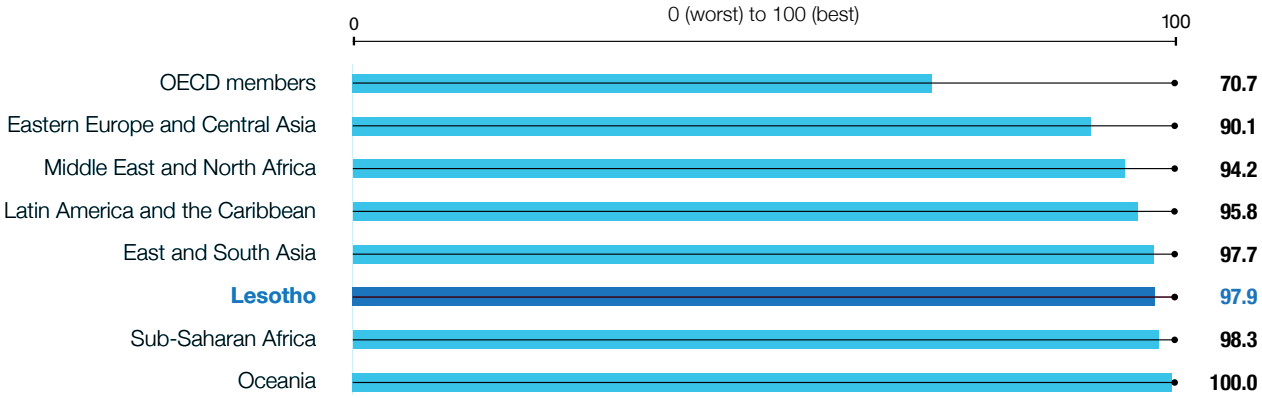
AVERAGE PERFORMANCE BY SDG



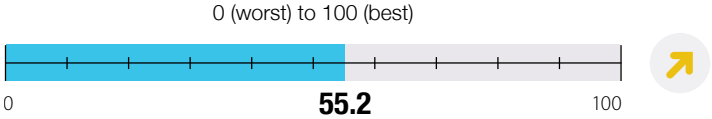
SDG DASHBOARDS AND TRENDS

Note: The full title of each SDG is available here: https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/topics/sustainabledevelopmentgoals

INTERNATIONAL SPILLOVER INDEX



STATISTICAL PERFORMANCE INDEX



MISSING DATA IN SDG INDEX

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SDG1 – No Poverty	Value	Year	Rating	Trend
Poverty headcount ratio at $1.90/day (%)	30.1	2022		
Poverty headcount ratio at $3.20/day (%)	51.2	2022		
SDG2 – Zero Hunger				
Prevalence of undernourishment (%)	23.5	2019		
Prevalence of stunting in children under 5 years of age (%)	34.6	2018		
Prevalence of wasting in children under 5 years of age (%)	2.1	2018		
Prevalence of obesity, BMI ≥ 30 (% of adult population)	16.6	2016		
Human Trophic Level (best 2–3 worst)	2.1	2017		
Cereal yield (tonnes per hectare of harvested land)	0.8	2018		
Sustainable Nitrogen Management Index (best 0–1.41 worst)	1.0	2015		
Exports of hazardous pesticides (tonnes per million population)	0.2	2019		
SDG3 – Good Health and Well-Being				
Maternal mortality rate (per 100,000 live births)	544	2017		
Neonatal mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	44.3	2020		
Mortality rate, under-5 (per 1,000 live births)	89.5	2020		
Incidence of tuberculosis (per 100,000 population)	650.0	2020		
New HIV infections (per 1,000 uninfected population)	4.9	2020		
Age-standardized death rate due to cardiovascular disease, cancer, diabetes, or chronic respiratory disease in adults aged 30–70 years (%)	42.7	2019		
Age-standardized death rate attributable to household air pollution and ambient air pollution (per 100,000 population)	178	2016		
Traffic deaths (per 100,000 population)	31.9	2019		
Life expectancy at birth (years)	50.8	2019		
Adolescent fertility rate (births per 1,000 females aged 15 to 19)	90.8	2017		
Births attended by skilled health personnel (%)	86.6	2018		
Surviving infants who received 2 WHO-recommended vaccines (%)	75	2020		
Universal health coverage (UHC) index of service coverage (worst 0–100 best)	48	2019		
Subjective well-being (average ladder score, worst 0–10 best)	3.5	2019		
SDG4 – Quality Education				
Participation rate in pre-primary organized learning (% of children aged 4 to 6)	39.9	2018		
Net primary enrollment rate (%)	97.6	2017		
Lower secondary completion rate (%)	50.0	2018		
Literacy rate (% of population aged 15 to 24)	86.6	2014		
SDG5 – Gender Equality				
Demand for family planning satisfied by modern methods (% of females aged 15 to 49)	82.8	2018		
Ratio of female-to-male mean years of education received (%)	124.1	2019		
Ratio of female-to-male labor force participation rate (%)	78.1	2020		
Seats held by women in national parliament (%)	23.3	2020		
SDG6 – Clean Water and Sanitation				
Population using at least basic drinking water services (%)	72.2	2020		
Population using at least basic sanitation services (%)	50.3	2020		
Freshwater withdrawal (% of available freshwater resources)	2.6	2018		
Anthropogenic wastewater that receives treatment (%)	0.3	2018		
Scarce water consumption embodied in imports (m^3 H_2O eq/capita)	NA	NA		
SDG7 – Affordable and Clean Energy				
Population with access to electricity (%)	44.6	2019		
Population with access to clean fuels and technology for cooking (%)	39.4	2019		
CO_2 emissions from fuel combustion per total electricity output ($MtCO_2$/TWh)	4.9	2019		
Share of renewable energy in total primary energy supply (%)	NA	NA		
SDG8 – Decent Work and Economic Growth				
Adjusted GDP growth (%)	-9.5	2020		
Victims of modern slavery (per 1,000 population)	4.2	2018		
Adults with an account at a bank or other financial institution or with a mobile-money-service provider (% of population aged 15 or over)	45.6	2017		
Unemployment rate (% of total labor force)	23.9	2022		
Fundamental labor rights are effectively guaranteed (worst 0–1 best)	NA	NA		
Fatal work-related accidents embodied in imports (per 100,000 population)	0.3	2015		

SDG9 – Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure	Value	Year	Rating	Trend
Population using the internet (%)	43.0	2020		
Mobile broadband subscriptions (per 100 population)	61.9	2019		
Logistics Performance Index: Quality of trade and transport-related infrastructure (worst 1–5 best)	2.0	2018		
The Times Higher Education Universities Ranking: Average score of top 3 universities (worst 0–100 best)	* 0.0	2022		
Articles published in academic journals (per 1,000 population)	0.0	2020		
Expenditure on research and development (% of GDP)	0.1	2015		
SDG10 – Reduced Inequalities				
Gini coefficient	44.9	2017		
Palma ratio	2.4	2018		
SDG11 – Sustainable Cities and Communities				
Proportion of urban population living in slums (%)	61.9	2018		
Annual mean concentration of particulate matter of less than 2.5 microns in diameter (PM2.5) ($\mu g/m^3$)	26.6	2019		
Access to improved water source, piped (% of urban population)	91.3	2020		
Satisfaction with public transport (%)	52.0	2019		
SDG12 – Responsible Consumption and Production				
Municipal solid waste (kg/capita/day)	0.1	2006		
Electronic waste (kg/capita)	1.1	2019		
Production-based SO_2 emissions (kg/capita)	NA	NA		
SO_2 emissions embodied in imports (kg/capita)	NA	NA		
Production-based nitrogen emissions (kg/capita)	9.6	2015		
Nitrogen emissions embodied in imports (kg/capita)	2.3	2015		
Exports of plastic waste (kg/capita)	0.0	2020		
SDG13 – Climate Action				
CO_2 emissions from fossil fuel combustion and cement production (tCO_2/capita)	1.0	2020		
CO_2 emissions embodied in imports (tCO_2/capita)	NA	NA		
CO_2 emissions embodied in fossil fuel exports (kg/capita)	0.0	2020		
SDG14 – Life Below Water				
Mean area that is protected in marine sites important to biodiversity (%)	NA	NA		
Ocean Health Index: Clean Waters score (worst 0–100 best)	NA	NA		
Fish caught from overexploited or collapsed stocks (% of total catch)	NA	NA		
Fish caught by trawling or dredging (%)	NA	NA		
Fish caught that are then discarded (%)	NA	NA		
Marine biodiversity threats embodied in imports (per million population)	0.0	2018		
SDG15 – Life on Land				
Mean area that is protected in terrestrial sites important to biodiversity (%)	16.5	2020		
Mean area that is protected in freshwater sites important to biodiversity (%)	NA	NA		
Red List Index of species survival (worst 0–1 best)	0.9	2021		
Permanent deforestation (% of forest area, 5-year average)	0.0	2020		
Terrestrial and freshwater biodiversity threats embodied in imports (per million population)	0.5	2018		
SDG16 – Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions				
Homicides (per 100,000 population)	43.6	2015		
Unsentenced detainees (% of prison population)	19.5	2016		
Population who feel safe walking alone at night in the city or area where they live (%)	34	2019		
Property Rights (worst 1–7 best)	3.2	2020		
Birth registrations with civil authority (% of children under age 5)	44.5	2020		
Corruption Perception Index (worst 0–100 best)	38	2021		
Children involved in child labor (% of population aged 5 to 14)	13.9	2019		
Exports of major conventional weapons (TIV constant million USD per 100,000 population)	* 0.0	2020		
Press Freedom Index (best 0–100 worst)	31.6	2021		
Access to and affordability of justice (worst 0–1 best)	NA	NA		
SDG17 – Partnerships for the Goals				
Government spending on health and education (% of GDP)	12.3	2020		
For high-income and all OECD DAC countries: International concessional public finance, including official development assistance (% of GNI)	NA	NA		
Other countries: Government revenue excluding grants (% of GDP)	37.2	2019		
Corporate Tax Haven Score (best 0–100 worst)	* 0.0	2019		
Statistical Performance Index (worst 0–100 best)	55.2	2019		

* Imputed data point