SAUDI ARABIA

Middle East and North Africa

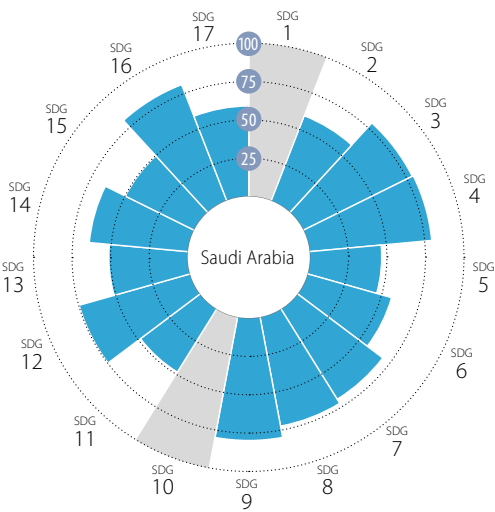## ▼ OVERALL PERFORMANCE

COUNTRY RANKING

SAUDI ARABIA

96/163

COUNTRY SCORE

66.6

REGIONAL AVERAGE: 66.7

▼ AVERAGE 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	

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

▼ INTERNATIONAL SPILLOVER INDEX

0 (worst) to 100 (best)

OECD members	70.7
Saudi Arabia	**76.5**
Eastern Europe and Central Asia	90.1
Middle East and North Africa	94.2
Latin America and the Caribbean	95.8
East and South Asia	97.7
Sub-Saharan Africa	98.3
Oceania	100.0

▼ STATISTICAL PERFORMANCE INDEX

0 (worst) to 100 (best)

0   **63.4**   100   ↑
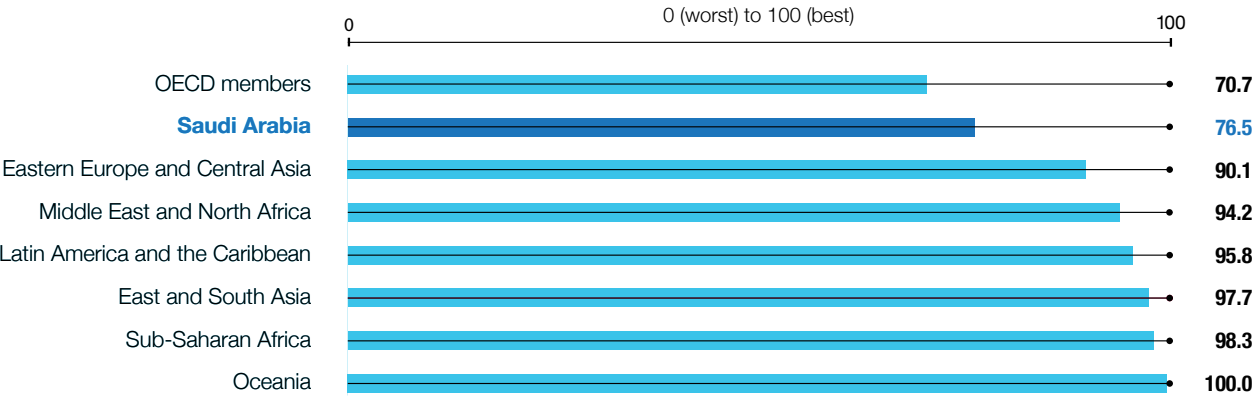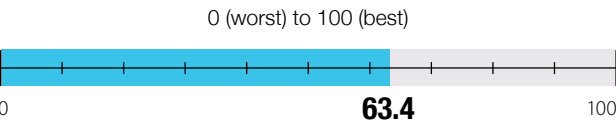
▼ MISSING DATA IN SDG INDEX

12%

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SDG1 – No Poverty

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

SDG2 – Zero Hunger

Indicator	Value	Year	Rating	Trend
Prevalence of undernourishment (%)	3.9	2019	●	↑
Prevalence of stunting in children under 5 years of age (%)	9.3	2004	●	↗
Prevalence of wasting in children under 5 years of age (%)	11.8	2004	●	→
Prevalence of obesity, BMI ≥ 30 (% of adult population)	35.4	2016	●	↓
Human Trophic Level (best 2–3 worst)	2.3	2017	●	→
Cereal yield (tonnes per hectare of harvested land)	5.6	2018	●	↑
Sustainable Nitrogen Management Index (best 0–1.41 worst)	0.6	2015	●	↑
Exports of hazardous pesticides (tonnes per million population)	1.2	2019	●	●

SDG3 – Good Health and Well-Being

Indicator	Value	Year	Rating	Trend
Maternal mortality rate (per 100,000 live births)	17	2017	●	↑
Neonatal mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	3.5	2020	●	↑
Mortality rate, under-5 (per 1,000 live births)	7.0	2020	●	↑
Incidence of tuberculosis (per 100,000 population)	8.1	2020	●	↑
New HIV infections (per 1,000 uninfected population)	0.1	2020	●	↑
Age-standardized death rate due to cardiovascular disease, cancer, diabetes, or chronic respiratory disease in adults aged 30–70 years (%)	20.9	2019	●	↗
Age-standardized death rate attributable to household air pollution and ambient air pollution (per 100,000 population)	84	2016	●	●
Traffic deaths (per 100,000 population)	35.9	2019	●	↓
Life expectancy at birth (years)	74.3	2019	●	↗
Adolescent fertility rate (births per 1,000 females aged 15 to 19)	8.7	2009	●	●
Births attended by skilled health personnel (%)	99.4	2018	●	●
Surviving infants who received 2 WHO-recommended vaccines (%)	95	2020	●	↑
Universal health coverage (UHC) index of service coverage (worst 0–100 best)	73	2019	●	↗
Subjective well-being (average ladder score, worst 0–10 best)	6.4	2021	●	↑

SDG4 – Quality Education

Indicator	Value	Year	Rating	Trend
Participation rate in pre-primary organized learning (% of children aged 4 to 6)	53.0	2020	●	↗
Net primary enrollment rate (%)	94.8	2020	●	↓
Lower secondary completion rate (%)	104.1	2020	●	↑
Literacy rate (% of population aged 15 to 24)	99.5	2020	●	●

SDG5 – Gender Equality

Indicator	Value	Year	Rating	Trend
Demand for family planning satisfied by modern methods (% of females aged 15 to 49)	* 45.5	2022	●	→
Ratio of female-to-male mean years of education received (%)	93.3	2019	●	↑
Ratio of female-to-male labor force participation rate (%)	39.8	2020	●	↗
Seats held by women in national parliament (%)	19.9	2020	●	→

SDG6 – Clean Water and Sanitation

Indicator	Value	Year	Rating	Trend
Population using at least basic drinking water services (%)	100.0	2020	●	↑
Population using at least basic sanitation services (%)	100.0	2020	●	↑
Freshwater withdrawal (% of available freshwater resources)	992.8	2018	●	●
Anthropogenic wastewater that receives treatment (%)	11.8	2018	●	●
Scarce water consumption embodied in imports (m³ H₂O eq/capita)	3509.3	2018	●	●

SDG7 – Affordable and Clean Energy

Indicator	Value	Year	Rating	Trend
Population with access to electricity (%)	100.0	2019	●	↑
Population with access to clean fuels and technology for cooking (%)	100.0	2019	●	↑
CO₂ emissions from fuel combustion per total electricity output (MtCO₂/TWh)	1.5	2019	●	↑
Share of renewable energy in total primary energy supply (%)	0.0	2019	●	→

SDG8 – Decent Work and Economic Growth

Indicator	Value	Year	Rating	Trend
Adjusted GDP growth (%)	-2.6	2020	●	●
Victims of modern slavery (per 1,000 population)	* NA	NA	●	●
Adults with an account at a bank or other financial institution or with a mobile-money-service provider (% of population aged 15 or over)	71.7	2017	●	↑
Unemployment rate (% of total labor force)	6.7	2022	●	→
Fundamental labor rights are effectively guaranteed (worst 0–1 best)	NA	NA	●	●
Fatal work-related accidents embodied in imports (per 100,000 population)	1.2	2015	●	↑

SDG9 – Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure

Indicator	Value	Year	Rating	Trend
Population using the internet (%)	97.9	2020	●	↑
Mobile broadband subscriptions (per 100 population)	116.9	2019	●	↑
Logistics Performance Index: Quality of trade and transport-related infrastructure (worst 1–5 best)	3.1	2018	●	↑
The Times Higher Education Universities Ranking: Average score of top 3 universities (worst 0–100 best)	50.6	2022	●	●
Articles published in academic journals (per 1,000 population)	1.0	2020	●	↑
Expenditure on research and development (% of GDP)	0.8	2013	●	●

SDG10 – Reduced Inequalities

Indicator	Value	Year	Rating	Trend
Gini coefficient	NA	NA	●	●
Palma ratio	NA	NA	●	●

SDG11 – Sustainable Cities and Communities

Indicator	Value	Year	Rating	Trend
Proportion of urban population living in slums (%)	NA	NA	●	●
Annual mean concentration of particulate matter of less than 2.5 microns in diameter (PM2.5) (µg/m³)	88.3	2019	●	→
Access to improved water source, piped (% of urban population)	NA	NA	●	●
Satisfaction with public transport (%)	80.0	2021	●	↑

SDG12 – Responsible Consumption and Production

Indicator	Value	Year	Rating	Trend
Municipal solid waste (kg/capita/day)	1.4	2015	●	●
Electronic waste (kg/capita)	17.6	2019	●	●
Production-based SO₂ emissions (kg/capita)	89.6	2018	●	●
SO₂ emissions embodied in imports (kg/capita)	4.8	2018	●	●
Production-based nitrogen emissions (kg/capita)	5.2	2015	●	↑
Nitrogen emissions embodied in imports (kg/capita)	10.2	2015	●	→
Exports of plastic waste (kg/capita)	1.3	2020	●	●

SDG13 – Climate Action

Indicator	Value	Year	Rating	Trend
CO₂ emissions from fossil fuel combustion and cement production (tCO₂/capita)	18.0	2020	●	↗
CO₂ emissions embodied in imports (tCO₂/capita)	1.9	2018	●	↑
CO₂ emissions embodied in fossil fuel exports (kg/capita)	0.0	2020	●	●

SDG14 – Life Below Water

Indicator	Value	Year	Rating	Trend
Mean area that is protected in marine sites important to biodiversity (%)	25.3	2020	●	→
Ocean Health Index: Clean Waters score (worst 0–100 best)	62.6	2020	●	→
Fish caught from overexploited or collapsed stocks (% of total catch)	15.8	2018	●	↑
Fish caught by trawling or dredging (%)	13.8	2018	●	↑
Fish caught that are then discarded (%)	6.6	2018	●	→
Marine biodiversity threats embodied in imports (per million population)	0.5	2018	●	●

SDG15 – Life on Land

Indicator	Value	Year	Rating	Trend
Mean area that is protected in terrestrial sites important to biodiversity (%)	22.0	2020	●	→
Mean area that is protected in freshwater sites important to biodiversity (%)	17.7	2020	●	→
Red List Index of species survival (worst 0–1 best)	0.9	2021	●	↑
Permanent deforestation (% of forest area, 5-year average)	NA	NA	●	●
Terrestrial and freshwater biodiversity threats embodied in imports (per million population)	1.8	2018	●	●

SDG16 – Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions

Indicator	Value	Year	Rating	Trend
Homicides (per 100,000 population)	0.8	2019	●	●
Unsentenced detainees (% of prison population)	20.0	2019	●	●
Population who feel safe walking alone at night in the city or area where they live (%)	91	2021	●	●
Property Rights (worst 1–7 best)	5.8	2020	●	↑
Birth registrations with civil authority (% of children under age 5)	99.2	2020	●	●
Corruption Perception Index (worst 0–100 best)	53	2021	●	→
Children involved in child labor (% of population aged 5 to 14)	NA	NA	●	●
Exports of major conventional weapons (TIV constant million USD per 100,000 population)	0.0	2020	●	●
Press Freedom Index (best 0–100 worst)	62.7	2021	●	↓
Access to and affordability of justice (worst 0–1 best)	NA	NA	●	●

SDG17 – Partnerships for the Goals

Indicator	Value	Year	Rating	Trend
Government spending on health and education (% of GDP)	9.1	2019	●	↓
For high-income and all OECD DAC countries: International concessional public finance, including official development assistance (% of GNI)	0.3	2021	●	●
Other countries: Government revenue excluding grants (% of GDP)	NA	NA	●	●
Corporate Tax Haven Score (best 0–100 worst)	* 0.0	2019	●	●
Statistical Performance Index (worst 0–100 best)	63.4	2019	●	↑

* Imputed data point