

ENVIRONMENT: The governments of the world agreed on...

"... (We) recognize the right of everyone to an adequate standard of living for him(her)self and his(her) family, including adequate food, clothing and housing..."

International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, Article 11, 1966.

"We resolve... to halve, by the year 2015, the proportion of the world's people... who are unable to reach or to afford safe drinking water... By 2020, to have achieved a significant improvement in the lives of at least 100 million slum dwellers as proposed in the 'Cities Without Slums' initiative."

Millennium Declaration, Paragraph 19, 2000.

HUMAN RIGHTS:

The right to an adequate environment is enshrined in:

UDHR - Art. 25 CEDAW - Art. 14
CESCR - Art. 11

INTERNATIONAL COMMITMENTS

Environment is considered in:

Millennium Development Goals - Goal 7
World Summit for Social Development - Commitment 12
Fourth World Conference on Women - Beijing Platform for Action - Critical Areas of Concern

	POPULATION WITH ACCESS TO SANITATION			POPULATION WITH ACCESS TO IMPROVED WATER SOURCES				POPULATION WITH ACCESS TO SANITATION			POPULATION WITH ACCESS TO IMPROVED WATER SOURCES		
	1990 (%)	2002 (%)	Progress or regression	1990 (%)	2000 (%)	Progress or regression		1990 (%)	2002 (%)	Progress or regression	1990 (%)	2000 (%)	Progress or regression
Countries in better situation							Netherlands	100	100	==	100	100	==
Albania		89		97	97	==	Niue	100	100	==	100	100	==
Algeria	88	92	→	95	87	←	Northern Mariana Islands	84	94	→	98	98	==
Andorra	100	100	==	100	100	==	Norway				100	100	==
Antigua and Barbuda		95			91		Qatar	100	100	==	100	100	==
Aruba				100	100	==	Russian Federation	87	87	==	94	96	==
Australia	100	100	==	100	100	==	Samoa	98	100	==	91	88	←
Austria	100	100	==	100	100	==	Slovakia	100	100	==	100	100	==
Bahamas	100	100	==		97		St. Kitts and Nevis	96	96	==	99	99	==
Barbados	100	99	==	100	100	==	St. Lucia		89		98	98	==
Belarus				100	100	==	Suriname		93			92	
Bosnia and Herzegovina		93		98	98	==	Sweden	100	100	==	100	100	==
British Virgin Islands	100	100	==	98	98	==	Switzerland	100	100	==	100	100	==
Bulgaria	100	100	==	100	100	==	Thailand	80	99	→	81	85	→
Canada	100	100	==	100	100	==	Tonga	97	97	==	100	100	==
Chile	85	92	→	90	95	→	Trinidad and Tobago	100	100	==	92	91	==
Cook Islands	95	100	→	94	95	==	Turks and Caicos Islands		96		100	100	==
Costa Rica		92			97		Ukraine	99	99	==		98	
Cuba	98	98	==		91		United Arab Emirates	100	100	==			
Cyprus	100	100	==	100	100	==	United States of America	100	100	==	100	100	==
Denmark				100	100	==	Uruguay		94			98	
Dominica		83			97		West Bank and Gaza		76			94	
Egypt	54	68	→	94	98	→	Countries above average						
Fiji	98	98	==				Armenia		84			92	
Finland	100	100	==	100	100	==	Botswana	38	41	→	93	95	==
French Polynesia	98	98	==	100	100	==	Brazil	70	75	→	83	89	→
Germany				100	100	==	Colombia	82	86	→	92	92	==
Grenada	97	97	==		95		Ecuador	56	72	→	69	86	→
Guam	99	99	==	100	100	==	Guadeloupe		64			98	
Hungary		95		99	99	==	Guatemala	50	61	→	77	95	→
Iceland				100	100	==	Guyana		70			83	
Israel				100	100	==	Honduras	49	68	→	83	90	→
Japan	100	100	==	100	100	==	Iran, Islamic Rep.	83	84	==	91	93	==
Jordan		93		98	91	←	Iraq	81	80	==	83	81	==
Lebanon		98		100	100	==	Jamaica	75	80	→	92	93	==
Luxembourg				100	100	==	Kazakhstan	72	72	==	86	86	==
Malaysia	96				95		Korea, Dem. Rep.		59		100	100	==
Malta				100	100	==	Korea, Rep.					92	
Mauritius	99	99	==	100	100	==	Libya	97	97	==	71	72	==

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Marshall Islands	75	82	→	96	85	←	Senegal	35	52	→	66	72	→
Mexico	66	77	→	80	91	→	Syrian Arab Republic	76	77		79	79	
Moldova		68			92		Tanzania	47	46		38	73	→
Nicaragua	47	66	→	69	81	→	Turkmenistan		62			71	
Palau	66	83	→	80	84	→	Uzbekistan	58	57		89	89	
Panama		72			91		Viet Nam	22	41	→	72	73	
Paraguay	58	78	→	62	83	→	Zimbabwe	49	57	→	77	83	→
Philippines	54	73	→	87	85		Countries in worse situation						
Serbia and Montenegro	87	87		93	93		Afghanistan		8			13	
Seychelles					87		Angola	30	30		32	50	→
South Africa	63	67	→	83	87	→	Benin	11	32	→	60	68	→
Sri Lanka	70	91	→	68	78	→	Burkina Faso	13	12		39	51	→
Tunisia	75	80	→	77	82	→	Burundi	44	36	←	69	79	→
Turkey	84	83		81	93	→	Cambodia		16			34	
Tuvalu	78	88	→	91	93		Central African Republic	23	27	→	48	75	→
Venezuela		68			83		Chad	6	8		20	34	→
Countries below average							Congo, Dem. Rep.	18	29	→	43	46	→
Azerbaijan		55		66	77	→	Congo, Rep.		9			46	
Bangladesh	23	48	→	71	75	→	Equatorial Guinea		53			44	
Belize		47			91		Eritrea	8	9		40	57	→
Bhutan		70			62		Ethiopia	4	6		25	22	←
Bolivia	33	45	→	72	85	→	Guinea	17	13	←	42	51	→
Cameroon	21	48	→	50	63	→	Guinea-Bissau		34			59	
Cape Verde		42			80		Haiti	15	34	→	53	71	→
China	23	44	→	70	77	→	Kiribati	25	39	→	48	64	→
Comoros	23	23		89	94	→	Lao PDR		24			43	
Côte d'Ivoire	31	40	→	69	84	→	Lesotho	37	37			76	
Djibouti	48	50		78	80		Liberia	38	26	←	56	62	→
Dominican Republic	48	57	→	86	93	→	Madagascar	12	33	→	40	45	→
El Salvador	51	63	→	67	82	→	Malawi	36	45	→	34	48	→
Gabon		36			87		Mauritania	28	42	→	41	56	→
Gambia		53			82		Mozambique		27			42	
Georgia		83			76		Namibia	24	30	→	58	80	→
Ghana	43	58	→	54	79	→	Niger	7	12	→	40	46	→
India	12	30	→	68	86	→	Nigeria	39	38		49	60	→
Indonesia	46	52	→	71	78	→	Papua New Guinea	45	45		39	39	
Kenya	42	48	→	45	62	→	Romania		51			57	
Kyrgyzstan		60			76		São Tomé and Príncipe		24			79	
Malawi	36	46	→	41	67	→	Sierra Leone		39			57	
Maldives		58			99	←	Solomon Islands		31			70	
Micronesia, Fed. Sts.	30	28		87	94	→	Somalia		25			29	
Mongolia		59		62	62		Sudan	33	34		64	69	→
Morocco	57	61	→	75	80	→	Swaziland		52			52	
Myanmar	21	73	→	48	80	→	Tajikistan		53			58	
Nepal	12	27	→	69	84	→	Timor-Leste		33			52	
Oman	83	89	→	77	79		Togo	37	34	←	49	51	
Pakistan	38	54	→	83	90	→	Uganda	43	41		44	56	→
Peru	52	62	→	74	81	→	Vanuatu		50			60	60
Rwanda	37	41	→	58	73	→	Yemen	21	30	→	69	69	
							Zambia	41	45	→	50	55	→

UDHR: Universal Declaration of Human Rights
CESCR: International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights
CEDAW: Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women

Sources:
Joint Monitoring Programme for Water Supply & Sanitation, UNICEF and WHO, (www.wssinfo.org/).

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