



Country Fact Sheet Afghanistan

LAND AND POPULATION	Year	Value	Unit									
Area												
Country total area	2016	65 286	1 000 ha									
Cultivated area (arable land + permanent crops)	2016	7 910	1 000 ha									
Population												
Total population	2017	35 530	1 000									
Population density	2017	54.42	inhab/km ²									
Rural population	2017	26 307	1 000									
Economically active population in agriculture	2014	5 931	1 000									
As % of total economically active population	2014	58.4	%									
RENEWABLE WATER RESOURCES (RWR)	Year	Value	Unit									
Long-term average annual precipitation												
Depth		327	mm/year									
Volume		213.5	km ³ /year									
Long-term average annual RWR												
Internal (IRWR)		47.15	km ³ /year									
External (ERWR)		18.18	km ³ /year									
Total Actual (TRWR)		65.33	km ³ /year									
Dependency ratio		28.72	%									
TRWR per capita	2017	1 839	m ³ /year									
Total dam capacity	2015	2.009	km ³									
WATER WITHDRAWAL	Year	Value	Unit									
By sector												
Agricultural	1998	20	km ³									
Municipal	2005	0.2034	km ³									
Industrial	2005	0.1695	km ³									
Total	2000	20.28	km ³									
Total water withdrawal per capita	2000	922.7	m ³									
By source												
Surface water withdrawal	1998	17.24	km ³									
Groundwater withdrawal	1998	3.042	km ³									
Total freshwater withdrawal	2000	20.28	km ³									
Desalinated water produced		-	km ³									
Direct use of treated municipal wastewater		-	km ³									
Direct use of agricultural drainage water		-	km ³									
Pressure on water resources												
Total freshwater withdrawal as % of TRWR	2000	31.04	%									
Agricultural water withdrawal as % of TRWR	1998	30.61	%									
IRRIGATION AREAS	Year	Value	Unit									
Area equipped for irrigation												
Full control irrigation	2002	3 208	1 000 ha									
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Equipped lowland areas		-	1 000 ha									
Spate irrigation		-	1 000 ha									
Total area equipped for irrigation	2002	3 208	1 000 ha									
As % of cultivated area	2002	41.38	%									
Area actually irrigated	2016	2 165	1 000 ha									
As % of area equipped for irrigation	2002	66.71	%									

Notes: 1 km³ = 10⁹ m³ = 1 000 million m³; 1 ha = 1 hectare = 10 000 m²