



## Country Fact Sheet Benin

| LAND AND POPULATION  | Year                      | Value    | Unit                  |                             |      |          |                             |      |          |  |  |  |
|--|---------------------------|----------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|------|----------|-----------------------------|------|----------|--|--|--|
| <b>Area</b>  |                           |          |                       |                             |      |          |                             |      |          |  |  |  |
| Country total area   | 2016                      | 11 476   | 1 000 ha              |                             |      |          |                             |      |          |  |  |  |
| Cultivated area (arable land + permanent crops)  | 2016                      | 3 200    | 1 000 ha              |                             |      |          |                             |      |          |  |  |  |
| <b>Population</b>  |                           |          |                       |                             |      |          |                             |      |          |  |  |  |
| Total population   | 2017                      | 11 176   | 1 000                 |                             |      |          |                             |      |          |  |  |  |
| Population density   | 2017                      | 97.39    | inhab/km <sup>2</sup> |                             |      |          |                             |      |          |  |  |  |
| Rural population   | 2017                      | 6 039    | 1 000                 |                             |      |          |                             |      |          |  |  |  |
| Economically active population in agriculture  | 2014                      | 1 782    | 1 000                 |                             |      |          |                             |      |          |  |  |  |
| As % of total economically active population   | 2014                      | 40.51    | %                     |                             |      |          |                             |      |          |  |  |  |
| RENEWABLE WATER RESOURCES (RWR)  | Year                      | Value    | Unit                  |                             |      |          |                             |      |          |  |  |  |
| <b>Long-term average annual precipitation</b>  |                           |          |                       |                             |      |          |                             |      |          |  |  |  |
| Depth  |                           | 1 039    | mm/year               |                             |      |          |                             |      |          |  |  |  |
| Volume   |                           | 119.2    | km <sup>3</sup> /year |                             |      |          |                             |      |          |  |  |  |
| <b>Long-term average annual RWR</b>  |                           |          |                       |                             |      |          |                             |      |          |  |  |  |
| Internal (IRWR)  |                           | 10.3     | km <sup>3</sup> /year |                             |      |          |                             |      |          |  |  |  |
| External (ERWR)  |                           | 16.09    | km <sup>3</sup> /year |                             |      |          |                             |      |          |  |  |  |
| Total Actual (TRWR)  |                           | 26.39    | km <sup>3</sup> /year |                             |      |          |                             |      |          |  |  |  |
| Dependency ratio   |                           | 60.97    | %                     |                             |      |          |                             |      |          |  |  |  |
| TRWR per capita  | 2017                      | 2 361    | m <sup>3</sup> /year  |                             |      |          |                             |      |          |  |  |  |
| <b>Total dam capacity</b>  | 2015                      | 0.0235   | km <sup>3</sup>       |                             |      |          |                             |      |          |  |  |  |
| WATER WITHDRAWAL   | Year                      | Value    | Unit                  |                             |      |          |                             |      |          |  |  |  |
| <b>By sector</b>   |                           |          |                       |                             |      |          |                             |      |          |  |  |  |
| Agricultural   | 2001                      | 0.059    | km <sup>3</sup>       |                             |      |          |                             |      |          |  |  |  |
| Municipal  | 2017                      | 0.145    | km <sup>3</sup>       |                             |      |          |                             |      |          |  |  |  |
| Industrial   | 2001                      | 0.03     | km <sup>3</sup>       |                             |      |          |                             |      |          |  |  |  |
| <b>Total</b>   | 2001                      | 0.13     | km <sup>3</sup>       |                             |      |          |                             |      |          |  |  |  |
| Total water withdrawal per capita  | 2001                      | 17.82    | m <sup>3</sup>        |                             |      |          |                             |      |          |  |  |  |
| <b>By source</b>   |                           |          |                       |                             |      |          |                             |      |          |  |  |  |
| Surface water withdrawal   | 2001                      | 0.089    | km <sup>3</sup>       |                             |      |          |                             |      |          |  |  |  |
| Groundwater withdrawal   | 2001                      | 0.041    | km <sup>3</sup>       |                             |      |          |                             |      |          |  |  |  |
| <b>Total freshwater withdrawal</b>   | 2001                      | 0.13     | km <sup>3</sup>       |                             |      |          |                             |      |          |  |  |  |
| Desalinated water produced   |                           | -        | km <sup>3</sup>       |                             |      |          |                             |      |          |  |  |  |
| Direct use of treated municipal wastewater   |                           | -        | km <sup>3</sup>       |                             |      |          |                             |      |          |  |  |  |
| Direct use of agricultural drainage water  |                           | -        | km <sup>3</sup>       |                             |      |          |                             |      |          |  |  |  |
| <b>Pressure on water resources</b>   |                           |          |                       |                             |      |          |                             |      |          |  |  |  |
| Total freshwater withdrawal as % of TRWR   | 2001                      | 0.4926   | %                     |                             |      |          |                             |      |          |  |  |  |
| Agricultural water withdrawal as % of TRWR   | 2001                      | 0.2236   | %                     |                             |      |          |                             |      |          |  |  |  |
| IRRIGATION AREAS   | Year                      | Value    | Unit                  |                             |      |          |                             |      |          |  |  |  |
| <b>Area equipped for irrigation</b>  |                           |          |                       |                             |      |          |                             |      |          |  |  |  |
| Full control irrigation  | 2008                      | 23.04    | 1 000 ha              |                             |      |          |                             |      |          |  |  |  |
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| Equipped lowland areas   | 2002                      | 1.285    | 1 000 ha              |                             |      |          |                             |      |          |  |  |  |
| Spate irrigation   |                           | -        | 1 000 ha              |                             |      |          |                             |      |          |  |  |  |
| <b>Total area equipped for irrigation</b>  | 2008                      | 23.04    | 1 000 ha              |                             |      |          |                             |      |          |  |  |  |
| As % of cultivated area  | 2008                      | 0.7314   | %                     |                             |      |          |                             |      |          |  |  |  |
| Area actually irrigated  | 2008                      | 17.2     | 1 000 ha              |                             |      |          |                             |      |          |  |  |  |
| As % of area equipped for irrigation   | 2008                      | 74.65    | %                     |                             |      |          |                             |      |          |  |  |  |

Notes: 1 km<sup>3</sup> = 10<sup>9</sup> m<sup>3</sup> = 1 000 million m<sup>3</sup>; 1 ha = 1 hectare = 10 000 m<sup>2</sup>