



Country Fact Sheet Mauritania

| LAND AND POPULATION | Year | Value | Unit |
|---|------|----------|-----------------------|
| Area | | | |
| Country total area | 2014 | 103 070 | 1 000 ha |
| Cultivated area (arable land + permanent crops) | 2014 | 461 | 1 000 ha |
| Population | | | |
| Total population | 2015 | 4 068 | 1 000 |
| Population density | 2015 | 3.947 | inhab/km ² |
| Rural population | 2015 | 1 626 | 1 000 |
| Economically active population in agriculture | 2014 | 863 | 1 000 |
| As % of total economically active population | 2014 | 49.43 | % |
| RENEWABLE WATER RESOURCES (RWR) | Year | Value | Unit |
| Long-term average annual precipitation | | | |
| Depth | | 92 | mm/year |
| Volume | | 94.82 | km ³ /year |
| Long-term average annual RWR | | | |
| Internal (IRWR) | | 0.4 | km ³ /year |
| External (ERWR) | | 11 | km ³ /year |
| Total Actual (TRWR) | | 11.4 | km ³ /year |
| Dependency ratio | | 96.49 | % |
| TRWR per capita | 2014 | 2 802 | m ³ /year |
| Total dam capacity | 2015 | 0.5 | km ³ |
| WATER WITHDRAWAL | Year | Value | Unit |
| By sector | | | |
| Agricultural | 2004 | 1.223 | km ³ |
| Municipal | 2005 | 0.0954 | km ³ |
| Industrial | 2005 | 0.0318 | km ³ |
| Total | 2005 | 1.35 | km ³ |
| Total water withdrawal per capita | 2005 | 405.6 | m ³ |
| By source | | | |
| Surface water withdrawal | | - | km ³ |
| Groundwater withdrawal | | - | km ³ |
| Total freshwater withdrawal | 2005 | 1.348 | km ³ |
| Desalinated water produced | 2005 | 0.002 | 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 | 2005 | 11.82 | % |
| Agricultural water withdrawal as % of TRWR | 2004 | 10.73 | % |
| IRRIGATION AREAS | Year | Value | Unit |
| Area equipped for irrigation | | | |
| Full control irrigation | 2004 | 45.01 | 1 000 ha |
| surface irrigation | | 1 000 ha | |
| sprinkler irrigation | | 1 000 ha | |
| localized irrigation | | 1 000 ha | |
| Equipped lowland areas | | - | 1 000 ha |
| Spate irrigation | | - | 1 000 ha |
| Total area equipped for irrigation | 2004 | 45.01 | 1 000 ha |
| As % of cultivated area | 2004 | 10.95 | % |
| Area actually irrigated | 2004 | 22.84 | 1 000 ha |
| As % of area equipped for irrigation | 2004 | 50.74 | % |

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