



Country Fact Sheet Benin

LAND AND POPULATION	Year	Value	Unit									
Area												
Country total area	2016	11 476	1 000 ha									
Cultivated area (arable land + permanent crops)	2016	3 200	1 000 ha									
Population												
Total population	2015	10 880	1 000									
Population density	2016	94.81	inhab/km ²									
Rural population	2015	6 098	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									
Long-term average annual precipitation												
Depth		1 039	mm/year									
Volume		119.2	km ³ /year									
Long-term average annual RWR												
Internal (IRWR)		10.3	km ³ /year									
External (ERWR)		16.09	km ³ /year									
Total Actual (TRWR)		26.39	km ³ /year									
Dependency ratio		60.97	%									
TRWR per capita	2014	2 426	m ³ /year									
Total dam capacity	2015	0.0235	km ³									
WATER WITHDRAWAL	Year	Value	Unit									
By sector												
Agricultural	2001	0.059	km ³									
Municipal	2001	0.041	km ³									
Industrial	2001	0.03	km ³									
Total	2001	0.13	km ³									
Total water withdrawal per capita	2001	17.53	m ³									
By source												
Surface water withdrawal	2001	0.089	km ³									
Groundwater withdrawal	2001	0.041	km ³									
Total freshwater withdrawal	2001	0.13	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	2001	0.4926	%									
Agricultural water withdrawal as % of TRWR	2001	0.2236	%									
IRRIGATION AREAS	Year	Value	Unit									
Area equipped for irrigation												
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									
Total area equipped for irrigation	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 km³ = 10⁹ m³ = 1 000 million m³; 1 ha = 1 hectare = 10 000 m²