



Country Fact Sheet Eritrea

LAND AND POPULATION	Year	Value	Unit									
Area												
Country total area	2016	11 760	1 000 ha									
Cultivated area (arable land + permanent crops)	2016	692	1 000 ha									
Population												
Total population	2015	5 228	1 000									
Population density	2016	44.46	inhab/km ²									
Rural population	2015	3 703	1 000									
Economically active population in agriculture	2014	1 910	1 000									
As % of total economically active population	2014	72.32	%									
RENEWABLE WATER RESOURCES (RWR)	Year	Value	Unit									
Long-term average annual precipitation												
Depth		384	mm/year									
Volume		45.16	km ³ /year									
Long-term average annual RWR												
Internal (IRWR)		2.8	km ³ /year									
External (ERWR)		4.515	km ³ /year									
Total Actual (TRWR)		7.315	km ³ /year									
Dependency ratio		61.72	%									
TRWR per capita	2014	1 399	m ³ /year									
Total dam capacity	2015	0.0441	km ³									
WATER WITHDRAWAL	Year	Value	Unit									
By sector												
Agricultural	2004	0.55	km ³									
Municipal	2004	0.031	km ³									
Industrial	2004	0.001	km ³									
Total	2004	0.582	km ³									
Total water withdrawal per capita	2004	132.1	m ³									
By source												
Surface water withdrawal		-	km ³									
Groundwater withdrawal		-	km ³									
Total freshwater withdrawal	2004	0.582	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	2004	7.956	%									
Agricultural water withdrawal as % of TRWR	2004	7.519	%									
IRRIGATION AREAS	Year	Value	Unit									
Area equipped for irrigation												
Full control irrigation	1993	4.1	1 000 ha									
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Equipped lowland areas		-	1 000 ha									
Spate irrigation	1993	17.49	1 000 ha									
Total area equipped for irrigation	1993	21.59	1 000 ha									
As % of cultivated area	1993	5.494	%									
Area actually irrigated	1993	13.49	1 000 ha									
As % of area equipped for irrigation	1993	62.48	%									

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