



Country Fact Sheet

Malaysia

LAND AND POPULATION	Year	Value	Unit
Area			
Country total area	2016	33 034	1 000 ha
Cultivated area (arable land + permanent crops)	2016	8 342	1 000 ha
Population Total population	2015	30 331	1 000
Population density	2016	91.82	inhab/km²
Rural population	2015	7 433	1 000
Economically active population in agriculture	2014	1 459	1 000
As % of total economically active population	2014	10.66	%
RENEWABLE WATER RESOURCES (RWR)	Year	Value	Unit
Long-term average annual precipitation			
Depth		2 875	mm/year
Volume		949.7	km³/year
Long-term average annual RWR			
Internal (IRWR)		580	km³/year
External (ERWR)		0	km³/year
Total Actual (TRWR)		580	km³/year
Dependency ratio		0	%
TRWR per capita	2014	19 122	m³/year
Total dam capacity	2015	22.45	km³
WATER WITHDRAWAL	Year	Value	Unit
By sector			
Agricultural	2005	2.505	km³
Municipal	2005	3.902	km³
Industrial	2005	4.788	km³
Total	2005	11.2	km³
Total water withdrawal per capita	2005	419	m³
By source			
Surface water withdrawal	1996	5.319	km³
Groundwater withdrawal	1996	0.165	km³
Total freshwater withdrawal	2005	11.2	km³
Desalinated water produced	2005	0.0043	km³
Direct use of treated municipal wastewater		-	km³
Direct use of agricultural drainage water		-	km³
Pressure on water resources			
Total freshwater withdrawal as % of TRWR	2005	1.931	%
Agricultural water withdrawal as % of TRWR	2005	0.4319	%
IRRIGATION AREAS	Year	Value	Unit
Area equipped for irrigation			
Full control irrigation	2009	380	1 000 ha
surface irrigation (2009) 373 1 000 ha			
sprinkler irrigation (2009) 2 1 000 ha localized irrigation (2009) 5 1 000 ha			
Equipped lowland areas	1994	21.97	1 000 ha
Spate irrigation		-	1 000 ha
Total area equipped for irrigation	2009	380	1 000 ha
As % of cultivated area	2009	5.037	%
Area actually irrigated		-	1 000 ha
As % of area equipped for irrigation	1994	100	%

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