



Country Fact Sheet Syrian Arab Republic

LAND AND POPULATION	Year	Value	Unit									
Area												
Country total area	2016	18 518	1 000 ha									
Cultivated area (arable land + permanent crops)	2016	5 733	1 000 ha									
Population												
Total population	2015	18 502	1 000									
Population density	2016	99.91	inhab/km ²									
Rural population	2015	5 665	1 000									
Economically active population in agriculture	2014	1 352	1 000									
As % of total economically active population	2014	18.36	%									
RENEWABLE WATER RESOURCES (RWR)	Year	Value	Unit									
Long-term average annual precipitation												
Depth		252	mm/year									
Volume		46.67	km ³ /year									
Long-term average annual RWR												
Internal (IRWR)		7.132	km ³ /year									
External (ERWR)		9.67	km ³ /year									
Total Actual (TRWR)		16.8	km ³ /year									
Dependency ratio		72.36	%									
TRWR per capita	2014	908	m ³ /year									
Total dam capacity	2007	19.65	km ³									
WATER WITHDRAWAL	Year	Value	Unit									
By sector												
Agricultural	2003	14.67	km ³									
Municipal	2005	1.475	km ³									
Industrial	2005	0.6154	km ³									
Total	2005	16.76	km ³									
Total water withdrawal per capita	2005	862.8	m ³									
By source												
Surface water withdrawal		-	km ³									
Groundwater withdrawal		-	km ³									
Total freshwater withdrawal	2005	14.14	km ³									
Desalinated water produced		-	km ³									
Direct use of treated municipal wastewater	2012	0.55	km ³									
Direct use of agricultural drainage water	2004	2.246	km ³									
Pressure on water resources												
Total freshwater withdrawal as % of TRWR	2005	84.17	%									
Agricultural water withdrawal as % of TRWR	2003	87.32	%									
IRRIGATION AREAS	Year	Value	Unit									
Area equipped for irrigation												
Full control irrigation	2010	1 341	1 000 ha									
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Equipped lowland areas		-	1 000 ha									
Spate irrigation		-	1 000 ha									
Total area equipped for irrigation	2010	1 341	1 000 ha									
As % of cultivated area	2010	23.4	%									
Area actually irrigated	2000	1 210	1 000 ha									
As % of area equipped for irrigation	2001	95.5	%									

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