

Health and environment scorecard

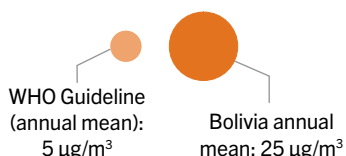
Bolivia (Plurinational State of)

Extent of the problem

Air pollution



5x the WHO air quality guideline value for PM_{2.5}



14% of population without clean fuels and technology for cooking

Health impact



25% of deaths from stroke and ischaemic heart disease caused by air pollution¹



¹ Air pollution causes many other diseases and adverse health outcomes, stroke and ischaemic heart disease have been chosen for this country scorecard.

Policies



Existence of legal standards for PM_{2.5}



Compliant with WHO Air Quality Guidelines

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Existence of national policy on household energy



WASH



Percentage of population without safe drinking water²

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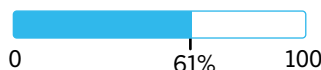
Percentage of population without safe sanitation²

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² Operationalised as using safely managed drinking water and sanitation services.



61% of deaths from diarrhoea caused by unsafe drinking water, sanitation and inadequate personal hygiene



Sufficient funding for implementation of national plans

Drinking water



75-94% of what is needed



75-94% of what is needed

Sanitation



75-94% of what is needed



95 to 100% of what is needed

WASH

Health care facilities

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Schools

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Climate change



85% fossil fuels and traditional use of biomass in total final energy consumption



Percentage of hot days³ in 2050 under a high emissions scenario⁴

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³ A 'hot day' is a day when maximum temperature exceeds the 90th percentile threshold for that time of the year. The threshold is based on the period 1961-1990. Analysis by the Climatic Research Unit, University of East Anglia, 2018.



Heat deaths in 2050 compared to 1961-1990 period under a high emissions scenario⁴

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⁴ High emissions scenario RCP8.5 - Representative Concentration Pathway 8.5.

⁵ Existence of a recent national assessment and plan refers to having conducted a climate change and health vulnerability and adaptation assessment and/or a health national adaptation plan (HNAP) since January 2020.



Existence of recent national assessment and plan⁵

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Vulnerability and adaptation assessment

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Health National Adaptation plan (HNAP)



Commitment to COP26 Health Programme

Climate resilient health systems



Sustainable low carbon health systems



Net zero commitment



Inclusion of health co-benefits in Nationally Determined Contribution (NDC)



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Health impact

Policies

Biodiversity



31% of
terrestrial and marine
area protected

Global target: Conserve 30% of land,
waters and seas by 2030

Change in forest area 1990-2020



-12% change in
forest area



-69,710 km²
change in forest area

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Post-COP15 National
Biodiversity Strategy
and Action Plan
submitted



Chemicals



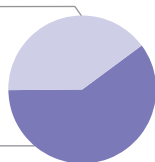
Mean blood lead level in
children under 5 years

8 µg/dL

International Health Regulations
(IHR) capacity score for chemical
events

IHR capacity score
of
40%
for chemical events⁶

60%
not attained



⁶ Key informants report on attainment of a set of
attributes for chemical events (core capacity 14)
using a standard WHO instrument.

Less than **1** out of 100,000 children
under five die from poisonings every
year



Existence of legal
limit on lead paint

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Existence of a poison
centre

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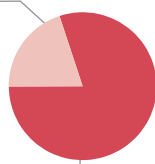
Party to the Minamata
Convention on Mercury

Radiation



International Health Regulations
(IHR) capacity score for radiation
emergencies

IHR capacity score
of
20%
for radiation
emergencies⁷



80%
not attained

⁷ Key informants report on attainment of a set of
attributes for radiation emergencies (core capacity 15)
using a standard WHO instrument.

1 out of 100,000 people die from
melanoma and other skin cancers
every year

Less than **1** out of 100,000 people
die from residential radon every year



Existence of standards
on electromagnetic fields

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Existence of regulation
of artificial tanning
devices/sun beds



Existence of national
radon regulations for
dwellings

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Extent of the problem

Occupational health



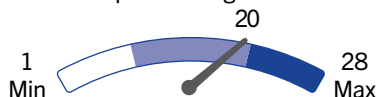
84% of informal employment in total employment



18% of the working age population exposed to long working hours (≥ 55 hours/week)

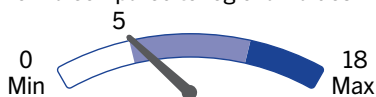
Health impact

20 out of 100,000 people of working age die from diseases due to occupational risks every year Bolivia compared to regional values:



26th of 33 countries in the Region of the Americas

5 out of 100,000 people of working age die from injuries due to occupational risks every year Bolivia compared to regional values:



24th of 33 countries in the Region of the Americas

Policies



Existence of programmes for occupational health and safety of health workers

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0 of 3 key international labour conventions on occupational safety and health ratified

C155
Occupational safety and health



C161
Occupational health services



C187
Promotional framework



Health care facilities



Percentage of health care facilities without basic services

Water



Sanitation



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Hygiene

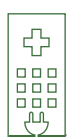


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Waste management



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5% of health care facilities without reliable electricity supply

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Climate assessment conducted for:



Climate resilience



Environmental sustainability



Existence of standards for WASH in health care facilities



Existence of standards for health care waste management



Please access the reading guide [here](#)

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This scorecard is based on already published data (see references). It is a tool to measure and track the progress of Member States and is not intended for ranking. Update 2024.