

INDICATOR DATA SHEET

Indicator: Forest Area

Definition:

This indicator relates to the surface of natural or planted forests and woodlands, and is based on national surface classification.

Other Definition:

FAO definition: Forests are ecosystems where tree crown cover is at least 10%, generally associated with a wild flora and fauna, with ground in a natural state and not being under farming use. This includes natural forests and plantations (artificial forests).

Woodlands include fallow forest (resulting from clearing natural forest) and shrubs (0.5 – 0.7 m)

Category: Environment

Theme: Land/Soil

Type: State

Unit: Hectares or % of total area

Related Indicators:

Calculation Method

| Data Needed | Source |
|-------------|------------------------------------|
| Forest Area | Ministry of Agriculture |
| | National Centre for Remote Sensing |

Standard/Target:

| Year | Value of the Indicator |
|------|------------------------|
| 2005 | 139,437.64 ha |

Frequency for Updating:
5 Years

Source of data: Ministry of Agriculture
Geographic coverage: National

Comments:

Forest area formed 13.3% of the Lebanese territory in 2005.

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