

| World | | | |
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| | 1997 | 2007 | 2017 |
| The setting | | | |
| Population, total (mill.) | 5 905.0 | 6 705.9 | 7 631.1 |
| Rural population, total (mill.) | 3 219.8 | 3 342.8 | 3 413.0 |
| Govt. expenditure on agric. (% total outlays) | 1.7 | 1.8 | 1.5 |
| Area harvested, crops (mill. ha) | 1 189.2 | 1 262.4 | 1 424.0 |
| Cropping intensity ratio | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.9 |
| Internal renew. water resources per cap. (m ³) | 7 258 | 6 429 | 5 675 |
| Land area equipped for irrigation (1 000 ha) | 279 137 | 314 660 | 337 670 |
| Agric. area actually irrigated (% agric. area) | | | |
| Employment in agriculture (%) | 40.3 | 35.0 | 28.5 |
| Employment in agriculture, female (%) | 39.8 | 34.8 | 27.7 |
| Fertilizers use, nitrogen, as N (1 000 t) | 83 407.2 | 96 504.1 | 109 137.2 |
| Fertilizers use, phosphorus, as P2O5 (1 000 t) | 34 580.9 | 39 605.8 | 45 451.4 |
| Fertilizers use, potassium, as K2O (1 000 t) | 23 336.2 | 31 665.0 | 37 635.8 |
| Agric. value added per worker (constant USD) | 1 810 | 2 296 | 3 331 |
| Hunger dimensions | | | |
| Average dietary energy supply (kcal/cap/day) | 2 716 | 2 792 | 2 908 |
| Average dietary energy supply adequacy (%) | 115 | 116 | 122 |
| Dietary energy supply, cereals/roots/tubers (%) | 54 | 51 | 50 |
| Prevalence of undernourishment (% of pop.) | 14.8 | 13.1 | 10.8 |
| Prev. of severe food insecurity (% of pop.) | | | 9.2 |
| Prev. moderate or severe food insec. (% pop.) | | | 26.4 |
| GDP per capita (USD, PPP) | 10 393 | 12 719 | 15 543 |
| Cereal import dependency ratio (%) | | | |
| Stunting, children under 5 (%) | 32.5 | 29.3 | 22.4 |
| Adult obesity (% of pop. 18 years and older) | 8.3 | 10.1 | 13.2 |
| At least basic drinking water (% pop. using) | 80.4 | 85.0 | 89.6 |
| Food supply | | | |
| Food production value (2004–06 mill. I\$) | 1 647 661 | 2 095 424 | 2 258 311 |
| Agriculture, value added (% GDP) | 5.8 | 5.4 | 4.1 |
| Food (excl. fish) exports (mill. USD) | 304 222 | 617 807 | 1 026 377 |
| Food (excl. fish) imports (mill. USD) | 312 150 | 645 486 | 1 052 602 |
| Production indices, gross (2004–06=100) | | | |
| Food | 82 | 106 | 131 |
| Crops | 82 | 105 | 136 |
| Cereals | 94 | 104 | 130 |
| Vegetable oils | 69 | 106 | 152 |
| Roots and tubers | 88 | 99 | 125 |
| Fruit and vegetables | 72 | 108 | 141 |
| Sugar | 95 | 115 | 132 |
| Livestock | 83 | 106 | 122 |
| Milk | 83 | 106 | 128 |
| Meat | 83 | 106 | 116 |
| Fish | 88 | 103 | 127 |
| Net trade (mln USD) | | | |
| Cereals and preparations | | | |
| Fruit and vegetables | | | |
| Meat and meat preparations | | | |
| Dairy products (milk equivalent) | | | |
| Fish | | | |
| Environment | | | |
| Forest land area (% of total land area) | 31.4 | 31.0 | 30.7 |
| Agricultural land area (% of total land area) | 37.6 | 37.3 | 37.1 |
| Freshwater withdrawal (% internal renewable) | 7.8 | | |
| Terrestrial protected areas (% total land area) | | | 14.7 |
| Agriculture area under organic agric. (ha) | | 31 815 | 69 217 |
| Wood pellet production (1 000 t) | | 18 054 | 33 099 |
| Emissions in agriculture (CO ₂ eq. Gg) | 4 557 004 | 5 010 669 | 5 410 477 |
| Net emissions in land use (CO ₂ eq. Gg) | 4 507 908 | 3 312 036 | 2 945 087 |