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Assessment: The State of the Environment in Israel: Selected Indicators

Radiation.

- Ministry of Environmental Protection (2018)
- ≻ Air; > Soil;
- Climate change; > Waste;
- Water;
 Noise;
- > Marine;
- Biodiversity;

The State of the Environment Data / Indices / Trends

Changes in recent years with a significant environmental impact

- Joining the OECD & adapting new environmental regulations and obligations to numerous international conventions/ agreements
- Exploiting the sea and its natural resources (oil & gas offshore industries, desalination, mariculture, expanding ports, etc.)
- Increase in consumption of goods and in quantities of waste.

SEIS/Horizon2020 Indicators: 1. Municipal Waste

Indicator	Status	Latest data	Comments
1. Municipal Waste Generation	reported	2017	-Data source: MoEP - Waste Division, ICBS -National level data except for population and tourists data in coastal cities - collection data
 2. "Hardware" of waste management Waste collection Environmental control Resource recovery 	reported	2017	 -Data source: MoEP - Waste Division, ICBS -National level data Uncontrolled dumpsites were closed, but Illegal dumping exists
3. "Software" of wastemanagementPolicy	reported	2017	-Data source: MoEP - Waste Division, Marine Environment Protection Division

Horizon2020 Indicators: Industrial Emissions

Indicator	Status	Latest data	Comments
6.3 Industrial hazardous waste disposed in environmentally sound manner	Reported	2017	Data source: ICBS

IND1.1 - Total Municipal Solid Waste (MSW) generation



MSW Generation – Key Messages

- Between 2003-2017, Israel's MSW generation has increased by an average of 2.3% per year, to over 6.7 M tonnes/year.
- This trend is affected by high population growth rate and a steady growth in standard of living:
 - Population growth rate of 1.9% per year.
 - Per capita MSW is slowly increasing- from 0.73 per year to 0.76 tonnes/capita/year

IND1.A - Municipal Solid Waste Composition



MSW Composition – Key Messages

- Between 2003-2017, the organic fraction of MSW decreased from 41% to 31%, whereas plastics increased from 12% to 21%
- MoEP, local authorities and NGO have initiatives and plans to decrease plastic use in order to protect the terrestrial and marine environment.

IND2.B Environmental Control



MSW_Fraction_recycled_& _reused

Recycling and Reuse - Key Messages

- Between 2003-2017 there was a significant increase in MSW recycling and reuse, from 11% to 24%
- It is expected to keep increasing in the future according to the MoEP policy and plans
- In 2017, Israel's 1st RDF facility has started operating
- Cycle economy projects are being initiated (Industrial Symbiosis)

IND2.C - Resource Recovery and % of plastic waste generated that is recycled



Plastics Recovery – Key Messages

- The amount of plastic that is recycled was tripled between 2003-2017 from ~20,000 to ~65,000 tonnes/year.
- However, as MSW generation grew by 37% and plastics fraction doubled, the fraction of recycled MSW plastic has remained at ~4.4%

Waste Sector Achievements

- > Near 100% of MSW collection coverage
- > Gradual increase in recycling rates
- Success in implementation of EPR Laws
- Success in implementation of the Plastic bags law
- Development of a new Waste Database System
- Development and operation of new Treatment facilities
- Development of Waste Management Strategy

Waste Sector Challenges

Low Landfill Tax

- Depleting Landfill space
- Inefficient Waste Management at local level (collection, transport)
- Separation at source of organic waste difficulties in implementation
- Lack of sufficient treatment facilities and sorting stations
- Weak and fragmented Recycling Market

Horizon2020 Indicators: Water

Indicator	Status	Latest data	Comments
3. Access to sanitation	reported	2017	-Data source: ICBS, Water Authority -National level data -Access to sanitation is estimated at ~100%
4. Municipal Wastewater Management	reported	2017	 -Data source: MoEP - Water and Streams Division, Water Authority -National level data - Municipal wastewater treatment and use (2017), Nutrients release data (2014)
5. Coastal and Marine Water Quality	reported	2017	-Data source: MoEP- Marine Environment Protection Division (Medpol), Ministry of Health

Water and Wastewater Key Indicators



Water consumption by source and user



3.1.1 – 3.2.2 Share of population with access to improved sanitation system (ISS) & and sanitation services (SMSS)



IND 4.1.1/4.1.2 - Municipal wastewater collected and treated at the national level



IND4.1.1/IND4.1.2 Connection to wastewater treatment plants (%)



Water and Wastewater – Key Messages

- Dependency on freshwater sources is decreasing in recent years
- Overall, 99% of all of the population is connected to a public wastewater treatment system
- The municipal wastewater collection and treatment significantly improved between 2003-2017, as they rose by 18% and 25%, respectively
- The share of collected and not treated wastewater was reduced in that period from 9% to 3%

Water and Wastewater – Key Messages (Cont.)

- In parallel there was a rise of 30% in the number of municipal wastewater treatment plants
- The quality of wastewater treatment has also improved. The percentage of tertiary treatment rose to 55%, on the expense of primary and secondary treatment

Effluents Integrated information system

- The IT system serves several government offices:
 The ministry of health, the ministry of
 environmental protection and the water authority
- The system is operating since mid 2019
- Includes info on ~60 intensive and extensive
 WWTP that discharge over 1,000 m³/day
- It enables data analysis and alerts on exceedances online.

IND6.3.1- quantity of generated hazardous waste by industrial sectors (2017)



Hazardous Waste - Key Messages

- Most of the hazardous waste is produced by the industrial sector
- The industry that produces by far the most hazardous waste is the chemicals and drugs sector- 58% of the total industrial hazardous waste
- Metals and electronics industries are also significant contributors
- All of the industrial hazardous waste is treated in an environmentally sound manner.

Thank You for your attention!

