



United Nations
Convention to Combat
Desertification



G20 GLOBAL
LAND INITIATIVE

Honduras



Overview

Background

Honduras lies between latitudes 12°58' and 16°02' south and longitude 83°10' and 89°22' east. It is bordered to the North by the Caribbean Sea (the Antilles), to the west by Guatemala, to the southwest by El Salvador, to the southeast by Nicaragua, and to the south by the Pacific Ocean at the Gulf of Fonseca. Honduras has a total a land area of 112,492 km², of which forests take up over 41% and 27% is agricultural land. The Honduran economy is highly dependent on agriculture. Honduras has a population of 9.3 million as of 2020, of which 48% live below the poverty line.

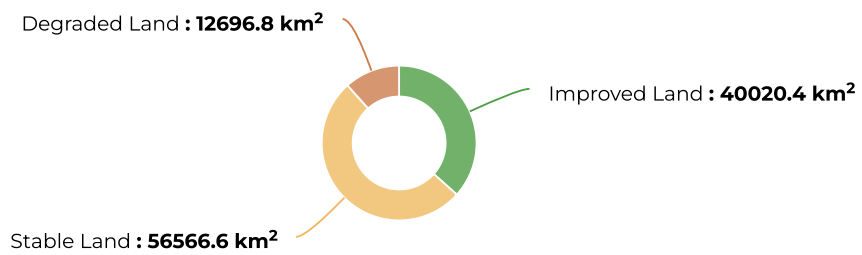
Honduras has three major geomorphological regions largely composed of mountains that cover over 82% of the country with dense forest. The rest of the country is composed of the Northern Coastal Plain or the Caribbean Lowlands and the Coastal Plain region of the Pacific or the Pacific lowlands. Due to its geographic location, Honduras is highly exposed to hydrometeorological hazard. Adaptation to climate change is a priority to reduce the country's vulnerability. Identified adaptation priorities include water resources, disaster risk management, agriculture and food security, forests, coastal zones, health, and infrastructure.

Credits: [World Bank](#)

Summary Chart

Current State

Land degradation between 2001 and 2015 - SDG 15.3.1 (km²)

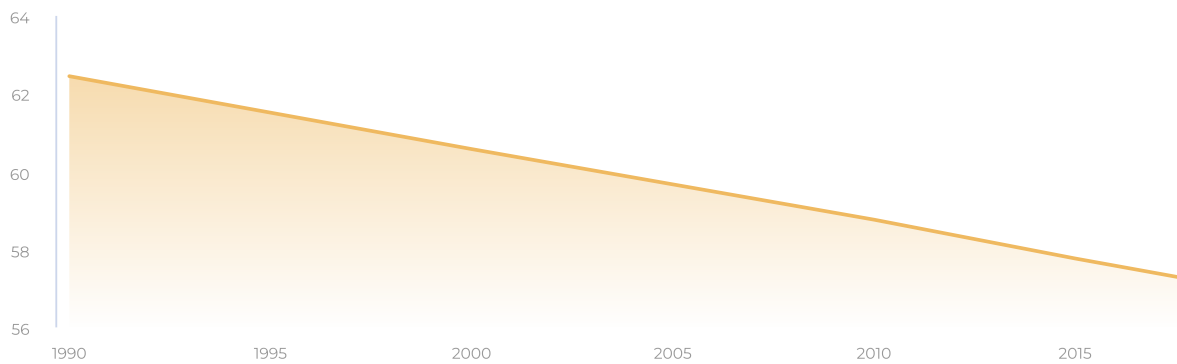


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Forest area

56.8 % land

-3.3 % change over last 10 years

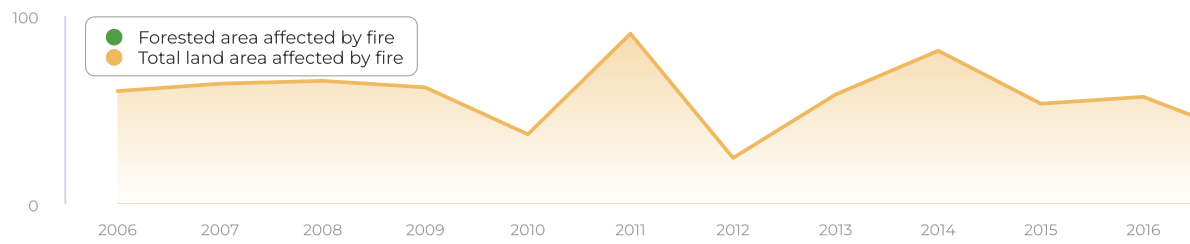


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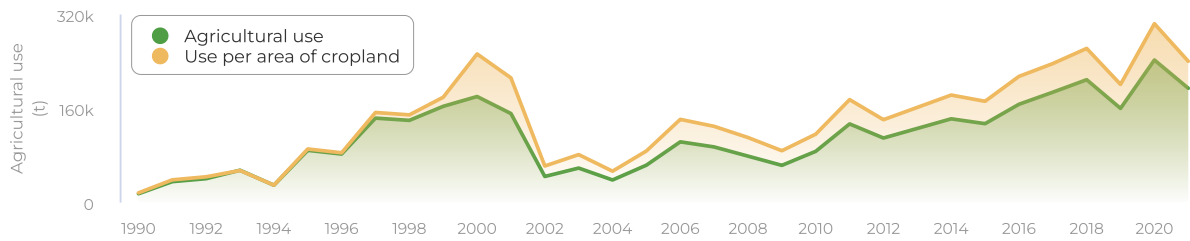
Stressors

Area affected by wildfires (kha)



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Use of nutrients



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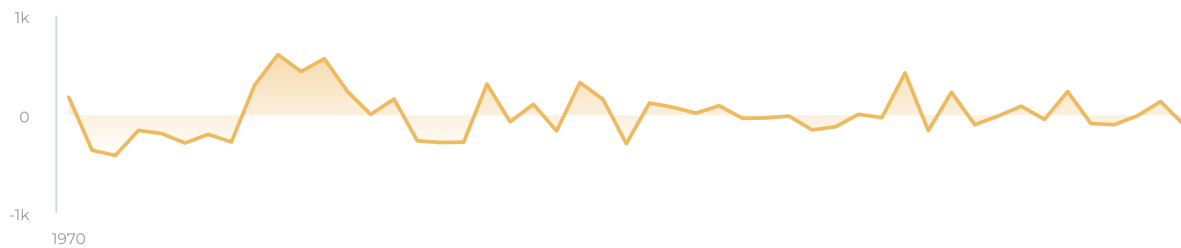
Trends

Annual temperature anomalies against 1901-1920 (°C)



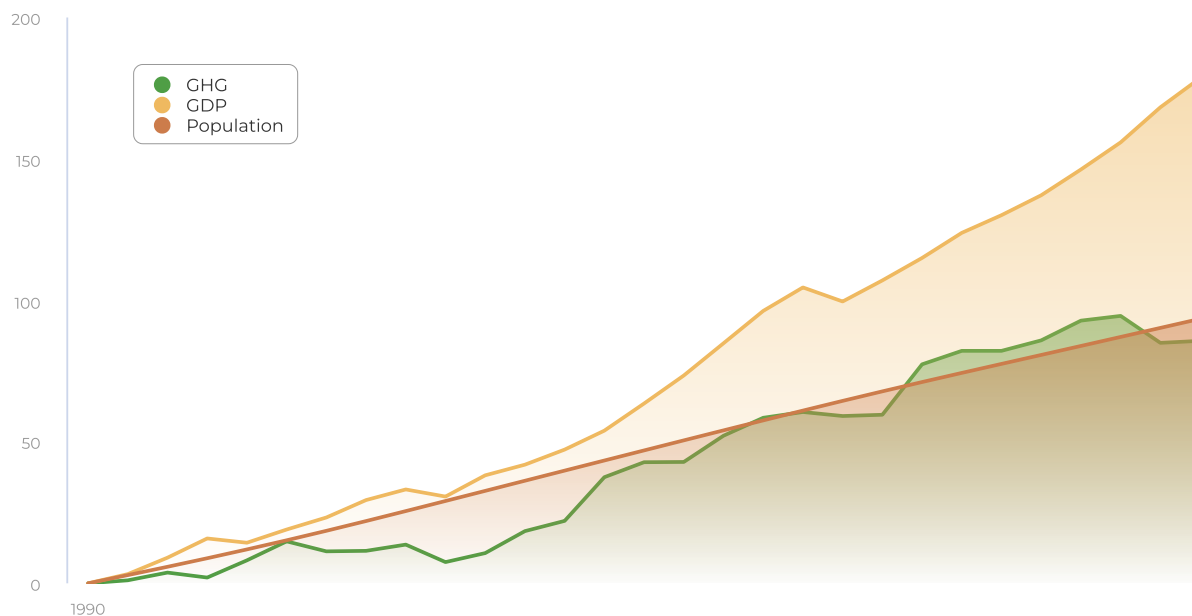
Credits: Climatic Research Unit (University of East Anglia) and Met Office

Annual precipitation anomalies against 1901-1920 (mm)



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Population / Gross domestic product / Greenhouse Gases - change in % since 1990



↗ Impacts

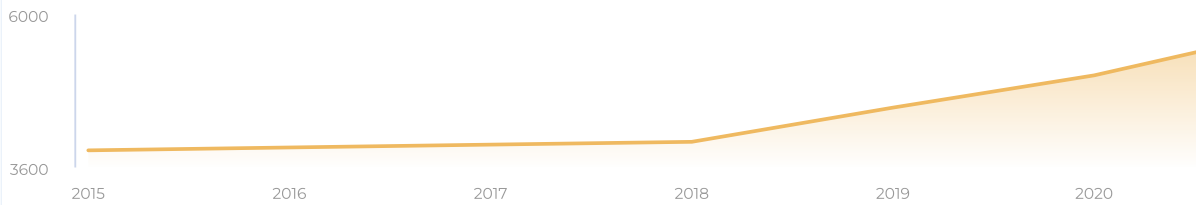
Human displacements caused by climatic hazards



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Number of severely food insecure people - SDG 2.1.2

5.8K people



Credits: FAO

💡 Solutions

Proportion of terrestrial protected areas

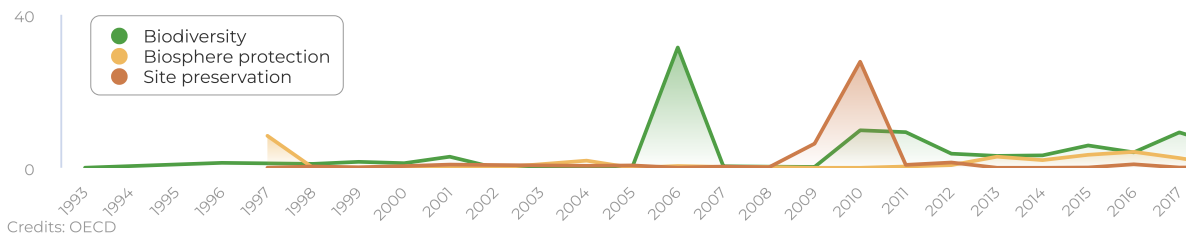
23.4 % of total land area

2024

Credits: UNEP-WCMC

Official Development Assistance flows

Biodiversity sector (million USD)



Commitments

0
hectares

LDN
Land Degradation Neutrality

0
hectares

NBSAP
National Biodiversity Strategies and Action Plans
under the Convention on Biological Diversity

0
hectares

NDC
Nationally Determined Contributions embody
efforts by each country to reduce national
emissions and adapt to the impacts of climate
change.

1,000,000
hectares

Bonn Challenge
Bring 150 million hectares of degraded and
deforested landscapes into restoration by 2020
and 350 million hectares by 2030

Treaties

Treaty	Signature	Ratification	Party status
Minamata Convention on Mercury	2014-09-24	2017-03-22	Ratification
Paris Agreement	2016-04-22	2016-09-21	Ratification
Nagoya Protocol	2012-02-01	2013-08-12	Ratification
Rotterdam Convention		2011-09-26	Accession
Cartagena Protocol	2000-05-24	2008-11-18	Ratification
Convention on Migratory Species	2007-04-01	2007-04-01	Ratification
Stockholm Convention	2002-05-17	2005-05-23	Ratification
Kyoto Protocol	1999-02-25	2000-07-19	Ratification
United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification	1995-02-22	1997-06-25	Ratification
Basel Convention		1995-12-27	Accession
United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change	1992-06-13	1995-10-19	Ratification
Convention on Biological Diversity	1992-06-13	1995-07-31	Ratification
Ramsar Convention	1993-10-23	1993-06-23	Ratification
Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora	1985-06-13	1985-03-15	Ratification
International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture	2004-01-14		Accession
Cartagena Convention			

