

Number of environmental disasters

Dimension - Environment

Associated Key Factor:

Attitudes and implementation of principles relating to sustainable development

Data Source:

The Centre for Research on the Epidemiology of Disasters

<http://www.cred.be>

<http://www.cred.be/emdat/>

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General Availability:

Reporting unit:

Reporting level: national

Reporting period: annually

Data available from 1990 to 2003

Availability by country:

1990 - 2003: EU-25

The indicator:

Sudden calamitous event as in the case of earthquakes, tsunamis, floods, volcanic eruptions, cyclones and landslides, or ongoing misfortune as in conditions or processes such as drought and desertification.

How is it measured?

Detailed information on people affected, the damage caused, type of disaster etc. is derived from insurance claims, statistics kept by civil protection and emergency response organisation.

What are the disadvantages of the Indicator?

The indicator is very vague, in this format it does not allow the user to analyse the relevance of the indicator for transport development. The main source for data found does offer the detailed information from which a transport context can be concluded, such as the number of people affected, damage caused etc.

The Indicator is relevant for the following pathways of the FORESIGHT FOR TRANSPORT exercise: