

CDP STATES AND REGIONS: SUMMARY REPORT 2023

Global insights from states and regions 2023 disclosure.





Overview

CDP is a global non-profit that runs the world's environmental disclosure system for investors, companies, cities, states, and regions to assess their impact and take urgent action to build a truly sustainable economy. Over 24,000 organizations around the world disclosed data through CDP in 2023, including more than 23,000 companies and over 1,200 cities, states, and regions.

States and regions play a key role in leading and influencing change towards a net zero and nature positive world. In 2023, 109 states and regional governments representing 547 million people disclosed their climate and nature data through CDP, and were part of the transition to a sustainable world. CDP's States and Regions program provides a global platform for subnational governments to disclose environmental information over 3 main themes, climate adaptation, climate mitigation, and sustainable forests.

The States and Regions Summary Report provides insights on climate and the state of sustainable forests disclosure from 2023 including: hazards and risks facing states and regions; targets, plans and financing; adaptation and mitigation actions; and sustainable forests. It illustrates the benefits of reporting and how CDP's data on states and regions plays a pivotal role in shaping both global and regional reports. 2023 was an unprecedented year for climate disasters. While states and regions are setting increasingly ambitious emissions reduction targets, there are challenges with disclosure, particularly on setting forest risk and vulnerability assessments.

In 2023...







states and regions reported their environmental data through CDP











Hazards and risks facing states and regions



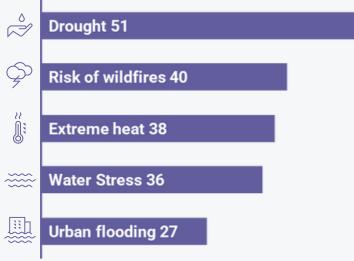


of states and regions are facing significant climate hazards, up 8% from 2022



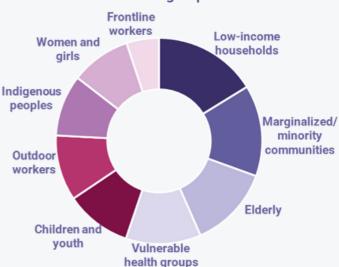
Have a climate risk and vulnerability assessment

Top 5 reported climate hazards



of S&R that reported the climate hazard

Across the globe, jurisdictions are increasingly facing the devastating effects of climate change. 430 hazards were reported in total, with extreme heat and water stress-related events being the most prominent. Among these hazards, droughts, wildfires, and urban flooding were the most frequently reported.

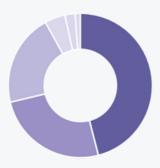


Distribution of vulnerable groups to climate hazards

Due to social, economic, cultural, political and institutional reasons, marginalized groups are especially vulnerable to climate change. Data from 2023 shows that **all vulnerable groups and populations are affected by climate hazards**.

Targets, plans and financing



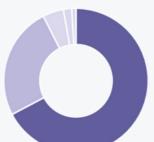


- Integrated climate plan 46%
- Standalone mitigation plan 25%
- Standalone adaptation plan 20%

70% of jurisdictions have a climate action plan or strategy that address adaptation, mitigation or energy. Of these, 46% are integrated climate action plans, while 25% and 20% are standalone mitigation or action plans respectively.

The number of states and regions setting ambitious targets is increasing.

In 2023, 66% of jurisdictions reported having a greenhouse gas emission reduction target - a 6% increase from 2022. The percentage of reported targets varies across regions, with North America and Europe leading at 100% and 87% setting GHG emissions targets respectively, followed by Asia Pacific (71%) and Latin America (53%), while Africa reported the lowest percentage at (33%).

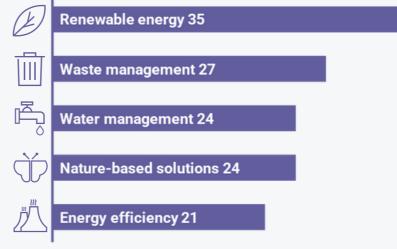


- 72 jurisdictions have an active greenhouse gas emissions reduction target(s)
- 27 are planning to introduce a target in the next two years

Top 5 project areas in need of financing



climate-related projects seeking finance were reported by 73 states and regions globally.





Adaptation and mitigation actions



354

Adaptation actions were reported globally.

The top area of adaptation actions reported

439

Mitigation actions were reported globally.

The top sectors addressed by mitigation actions.



The South Australian Government has a holistic water planning, licensing, and management system. It has developed several policies to diversify water supplies to include desalinated water, recycled water and capture and reuse storm water, and is adopting guidelines for efficient water use and smart watering practices.



The state of Goiás, in Brazil, is promoting the recovery of degraded pastures by encouraging an integrated crop-livestock-forestry system and agroforestry. Training actions related to the programs in Goiás have been carried out mainly through events promoted in partnership with research institutes.



British Columbia, Canada, is updating its' building codes to ensure new constructions can use zero and low carbon fuels, aiming for zero-carbon readiness by 2030. Post-2030, all new heating equipment sold and installed must be at least 100% efficient, including electric resistance and hybrid electric heat pump-gas systems.



The Mexican State of Campeche's reforestation program contributes to the conservation, restoration and increase of the forest cover of the State. It facilitates the production, maintenance, and delivery of plants to people interested in conservation to plant on average 25,000 trees annually.

The top 3 co-benefits associated with mitigation actions include



Job creation



Business/ technological innovation



Reduced costs

Sustainable forests





of states and regions reported that deforestation is a major issue in their region



Reported that they have a full or partial risk or vulnerability assessment on deforestation/forest degradation

82%

Have deforestation, forest degradation and/or forest restoration policies



Have a forest monitoring system in place



Reported that managing forests sustainably provides opportunities for their region



- Participate in landscape/ jurisdictional approaches 25%
- Planning to participate in landscape/jurisdictional approaches 26%

Landscape/Jurisdictional Approaches

25% of jurisdictions have or support on LA/JA initiatives. These are integral place-based sustainable management strategies defined at the landscape/jurisdictional level, requiring multiple stakeholders to align and implement collective land-use plans, policies, initiatives, long-term investments, and other interventions to reach multiple nature goals.

Top 5 reported opportunities associated with sustainable forest management



Climate change mitigation

Other ecosystem services from forests realized

Development of recreation and tourism industry

Increasing resilience to climate change impacts and other disasters

Continued access to forest products

In the USA, the State of California created the Conservation Corps. This operates several conservation programs across the state that employ young people. This program helps them gain skills and experience for future conservation- related careers while enhancing ecosystem health and recreation opportunities in forests.

In 2022, Seridó Park in the **Brazilian State of Rio Grande do Norte** was recognized as a UNESCO Geopark for its geological and biological diversity. The region is promoting sustainable tourism and investing in infrastructure for the development of tourist activities. Tourism is one of the main economic activities in the state, in which the sector is responsible for 1<u>1.4% of state GDP.</u>

Value of reporting

The one stop shop for reporting to, and participating in, global environmental initiatives.

CDP is the global environmental reporting platform for the RegionsAdapt Initiative, the Under2 Coalition, the UN's Race to Resilience and Race to Zero campaigns. Reporting informs all of these initiatives on the progress of states and regions' commitments towards net zero, building resilience, and adapting to the impacts of climate change. Through disclosure, states and regions can signal their environmental leadership, while also gaining capacity-building opportunities and access to a network of enablers and supporters.

"Completing the CDP questionnaire acts as a great gap analysis for any organisation with climate change and decarbonisation strategies, to consider fully how they are tackling it (through carbon mitigation measures) and crucially, preparing for climate change as a region." Director, Resilience Sustainable Solutions Ltd, Cardiff, Wales

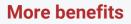






RACE TO ZERO







CDP facilitates the exchange of best practices between states, regions, cities, investors and companies, through regional and global events, case studies and reports. All states and regions data is shared on the Open Data Portal. This is a valuable resource where you can view the actions

The reporting process can identify potential gaps and opportunities within your government's climate and nature strategies, helping you build a baseline of your current conditions and the areas to pursue for

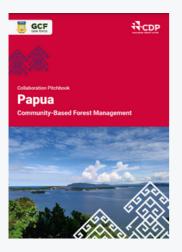
CDP's questionnaire is aligned with the global standard of the Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures (TCFD), showcasing your state or region's leadership in climate-related risk planning and strengthening opportunities to engage with investors and the private sector.

By publicly reporting your environmental data, you can monitor your progress, display your commitment to tackling the climate crisis, identify opportunities to become a competitive area for economic development

Present your plans, targets and progress through CDP's reports and data partners. Public data is used by the UNFCCC Global Climate Action Portal (GCAP), which recognizes climate actions and commitments undertaken by actors from around the globe.

https://www.cdp.net/en/states-and-regions







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Accelerating the Adoption of Landscape and Jurisdictional Approaches

Global challenges and policy recommendation



States and regions data in action: examples of uses

UN Global Climate Action Portal (GCAP)

The <u>Global Climate Action Portal</u> is an online platform where actors from around the globe - countries, regions, cities, companies, investors and other organizations - can display their commitments to act on climate change.

UNFCCC Race to Zero Progress Report 2023

Race to Zero showcased global progress with the release of its 2023 Progress Report. The campaign rallies over 13,500 non-state actors from more than 146 countries to step up their ambition, put plans in place and scale up action. It showcases the actors racing together to make a resilient, zero carbon world a reality.

GCF-TF: Collaboration pitchbooks with CDP

In order to advance the climate and nature agenda, private and public collaboration at scale is needed. The Jurisdictional Collaboration pitchbooks are a collaborative effort of 7 provincial governments in Indonesia, the Governors' Climate and Forests Task Force (GCF-TF) and CDP. They present a set of targets and initiatives that are key to advancing the jurisdictions' climate and nature strategies, and aim to support local sustainable livelihoods, biodiversity, climate change, and sustainable landscapes/seascapes.

CDP: Latin America in focus

Based on their reporting in the Forest Module of CDP's States and Regions Questionnaire in 2022, the report presents the drivers of deforestation highlighted by 55 states in Latin America, as well as the policies, mechanisms and actions to reduce deforestation and forest degradation.

<u>CDP: Accelerating the Adoption of Landscape</u> and Jurisdictional <u>Approaches</u>

This policy brief draws attention to the challenges of the international, national, and sub-national policy environments to unlock the benefits of LA/JA. A specific focus is placed on regional case studies from Brazil and Indonesia, the two nations with the highest number of LA/JA initiatives disclosed through CDP.

CDP: States and Regions Case Studies

Explore our states and regions <u>case studies</u> to see how sub-national regions across the world are taking action and paving the way for a low-carbon, water secure and deforestation-free future.

Thank you to the States and Regions that reported through CDP in 2023



Latin America

Brazil Acre Alagoas Amapa Amazonas Bahia Ceara **Distrito Federal** Espirito Santo Goias Maranhão Mato Grosso Mato Grosso do Sul Minas Gerais Para Paraíba Parana Pernambuco Piauí Rio de Janeiro Rio Grande do Norte Rio Grande do Sul Rondonia Santa Catarina Sao Paulo State Sergipe Tocantins Columbia Antioquia Boyacá Caquetá Cundinamarca **Ecuador** Pastaza Mexico Aquascalientes Baja California Norte Baja California Sur Campeche Chiapas Chihuahua

Coahuila

Colima Estado de Mexico Mexico City Guanajuato Guerrero Hidalgo Jalisco Morelos Nayarit Nuevo León Queretaro Sinaloa Sonora Tabasco Tlaxcala Veracruz Yucatan

Africa

Burkina Faso Hauts-Bassins Kenya Nyandarua County Morocco Chefchaouen Nigeria Cross River State South Africa KwaZulu-Natal Western Cape

Europe

Finland Region of North Karelia Region of Pirkanmaa France Auvergne-Rhône-Alpes Germany Baden-Württemberg Italy Lombardy Marche Lithuania Klaipėda County Poland

Lesser Poland Voivodeship Portugal Region of Madeira Region of the Azores Romania Lalomita County Spain Andalusia Cantabria Catalonia Galicia La Rioja Navarre **Balearic Islands Basque Country** Sweden Uppsala County **United Kingdom of Great Britain and** Northern Ireland **Cardiff Capital Region** Scotland Wales

North America

Canada

Alberta British Columbia Prince Edward Island Quebec Yukon

United States of

America

State of California State of Connecticut State of Hawaii State of Minnesota State of New York State of Oregon

Asia Pacific

Australia **Australian Capital** Territory New South Wales South Australia Victoria Indonesia Aceh Central Kalimantan East Kalimantan North Kalimantan Papua Sigi Regency Sintang Regency West Kalimantan West Nusa Tenggara West Papua