Reader's guide

General notes

Signs

The following signs are used in figures and tables:

- .. : not available
- : nil or negligible
- . : decimal point

Country aggregates

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OECD Europe:	This zone includes all European member countries of the OECD, i.e.	
	Austria, Belgium, the Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France,	
	Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, the	
	Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, the Slovak Republic, Slovenia,	
	Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey and the United Kingdom.	
OECD:	This zone includes all member countries of the OECD, i.e. the countries	
	of OECD Europe plus Australia, Canada, Chile, Israel, Japan, Korea,	
	Mexico, New Zealand and the United States.	
BRIICS:	Brazil, Russia, India, Indonesia, China (People's Republic of) and South Africa.	
Country aggregates may include Secretariat estimates.		

Currency

Monetary unit: Brazilian real (BRL).

In 2014, USD 1.00 = BRL 2.35 In 2012, USD 1.00 = BRL 1.95 In 2010, USD 1.00 = BRL 1.76

Cut-off date

This report is based on information and data available up to May 2015.

Abbreviations and acronyms

ABEMA	Brazilian Association of State Environment Authorities
ANA	National Water Agency
ANAMMA	National Association of Municipal Environment Agencies
APP	Permanent Preservation Area
ARPA	Amazon Region Protected Areas programme
BNDES	Brazilian Development Bank
CAR	Rural Environmental Cadastre
CBD	UN Convention on Biological Diversity
CDM	Clean Development Mechanism
CETESB	Environmental Sanitation Technology Company of São Paulo state
CIDE	Federal fuel tax
CNRH	National Water Resources Council
CO ₂	Carbon dioxide
CONABIO	National Biodiversity Commission
CONAMA	National Environmental Council
CRA	Environmental Reserve Quota
CSR	Corporate social responsibility
CTE	State Tripartite Technical Commission
CTN	Tripartite Technical Commission
DMC	Domestic material consumption
EGS	Environmental goods and services
EIA	Environmental impact assessment
EMS	Environmental management system
FAO	Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations
GDP	Gross domestic product
GEF	Global Environment Facility
GHG	Greenhouse gas
IBAMA	Brazilian Institute of Environment and Renewable Natural Resources
IBGE	Brazilian Institute of Geography and Statistics
ICMBio	Chico Mendes Institute for Biodiversity Conservation
ICMS	State-level value added tax
INPE	National Institute for Space Research
IPEA	Institute for Applied Economic Research
IPI	Federal tax on manufactured products
IPVA	Motor vehicle ownership tax
ITR	Rural land tax
LCR	Local content requirement
LULUCF	Land use, land-use change and forestry
MCid	Ministry of Cities
MCTI	Ministry of Science, Technology and Innovation
MMA	Ministry of the Environment
MSW	Municipal solid waste
NGO	Non-government organisation
NO _x	Nitrogen oxides
ODÂ	Official development assistance
PAC	Growth Acceleration Programme

PDE	Energy Expansion Plan
PES	Payments for ecosystem services
PET	Polyethylene terephthalate
PM	Particulate matter
PNIA	National Panel of Environmental Indicators
PNMA	National Environmental Policy
PNMC	National Climate Change Policy
PNRS	National Solid Waste Policy
PPCDAm	Action Plan for Prevention and Control of Deforestation in Amazônia Legal
PSE	OECD Producer Support Estimate
R&D	Research and development
REDD	Reducing Emissions from Deforestation and Forest Degradation
RL	Legal Reserve
SEA	Strategic environmental assessment
SFB	Brazilian Forest Service
SINIMA	National Environmental Information System
SISNAMA	National Environmental System
SNCR	National System of Rural Credit
SNIS	National Sanitation Information System
SNUC	National System of Protected Areas
SO _x	Sulphur oxides
tCO ₂ eq	Tonnes of CO ₂ equivalent
TCU	Federal Court of Accounts
TPES	Total primary energy supply
UN-ECLAC/CEPAL	
	United Nations Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean
UNEP	United Nations Environment Programme
WHO	World Health Organization
ZEE	Ecological-economic zoning



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