



Ecosystem Service	Groundwater for non-drinking purposes
CICES class name	Groundwater (and subsurface) used as a material (non-drinking purposes)
CICES Section	Provisioning (Abiotic)
CICES Class code	4.2.2.2

Sample Indicators









Indicator values from			
Experiment or direct measurement		Survey	
Expert assessment		Statistical- or census data	
Model or GIS		Literature values	
Stakeholder participation		Not provided	

Table 1: Field Scale





Indicator	Unit	Indicator values from
^[23] Groundwater replenishment	$m^3 * m^{-2} * yr^{-1}$	
^[5, 22] Annual total drainage	$mm * yr^{-1}$	
^[6] Seepage rate: the amount of water that leaves the rooting zone toward the groundwater table	$mm * yr^{-1}$	
^[7] Seepage rate: the amount of water that leaves the rooting zone toward the groundwater table	$mm * yr^{-1}$	

Table 2: Farm Scale



Indicator	Unit	Indicator values from
^[13] Aquifer recharge from irrigation channels: Four-level index based on the share of water lost through seepage in open channel irrigation [%]. The higher the value, the higher the recharge	poor-fair-good-excellent	
^[13] Aquifer recharge from irrigation channels: Four-level index based on the share of unlined irrigation channels [%]. The higher the value, the higher the recharge	poor-fair-good-excellent	



Table 3: Regional Scale

Indicator	Unit	Indicator values from
[1] Groundwater recharge, calculated with the soil-water balance model (SWBM) by the U.S. Geological Survey	mm	
[14] Provisioning of water: Groundwater recharge rate calculated from water balance	mm	
[2] Groundwater recharge, calculated as: (Precipitation - Evapotranspiration) * (1 - Share of anthropogenic surface sealing) / (Discharge factor). Discharge factor [-] is determined based on distance from the surface to groundwater and slope	mm * yr ⁻¹	
[11] Groundwater recharge: mean annual infiltration rate	l * m ⁻²	
[19] Groundwater recharge: Share of precipitation not used by evapotranspiration or surface-runoff	%	
[4, 16] Freshwater supply: Annual groundwater recharge	cm * yr ⁻¹	
[21] Groundwater recharge rate	mm * ha ⁻¹ * yr ⁻¹	
[9] Groundwater recharge: values for land cover classes. The matrix defined by Burkhard et al., 2012 (DOI:10.1016/j.ecolind.2011.06.019) was adapted and used in this study.	Index 0-5	
[20] Water yield: calculated as annual precipitation - evapotranspiration	m ³ * area ⁻¹ * yr ⁻¹	
[8] Precipitation - Evapotranspiration calculated with InVEST model	1000 m ³	
[21] Annual average water yield	mm * yr ⁻¹	
[21] Annual sectoral water yield (e.g., domestic, agriculture and industry)	mm * yr ⁻¹	
[22] Annual total drainage	mm	
[9] Freshwater supply: values for land cover classes. The matrix defined by Burkhard et al., 2012 (DOI:10.1016/j.ecolind.2011.06.019) was adapted and used in this study.	Index 0-5	
[18] Water for drinking and non-drinking uses: expert based index for ecosystem service supply by land cover class [1-5], multiplied by the area of the land cover class [km ²]	Index 1-5 * km ²	, ,










[18] Water for drinking and non-drinking uses' value: expert based index for ecosystem service supply by land cover class [1-5], multiplied by the area of the land cover class [km ²] and a literature-based monetary value of the ecosystem service	\$ * ha ⁻¹ * yr ⁻¹	 ,  , 
[3] Water purification and provision: $NPP \times (1 - VCNPP) \times ICs \times Scf$; where NPP: Net Primary Production calculated from NDVI-values and expressed on a relative scale set to (0 - 1000), VCNPP: coefficient of variation of NPP (0 - 1), ICs: soil infiltration capacity (0 - 1), Scf: slope average correction factor of the study area (0 - 1)	-	
[21] Leakage of nutrients	kg * ha ⁻¹ * yr ⁻¹	
[21] Total dissolved solids	mg * l ⁻¹	
[17] Runoff: renewable water supply. Values were normalized [0-1] using benchmark values where available and observed values otherwise	mm	

Table 4: National Scale





Indicator	Unit	Indicator values from
[15] Groundwater bodies	Not specified	
[15] Groundwater abstraction	Not specified	

Table 5: Multinational Scale

Indicator	Unit	Indicator values from
[12] Groundwater recharge: Corine land cover classes based on values published by Burkhard et al. (2009; DOI: 10.3097/LO.200915) and modified for the context of riparian zones	Index 0-5	
[12] Freshwater: Corine land cover classes based on values published by Burkhard et al. (2009; DOI: 10.3097/LO.200915) and modified for the context of riparian zones	Index 0-5	



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