FAO KSA Geospatial Data – Agro Ecological Zones (AEZ) of Saudi Arabia

Part 1: Basic Metadata (Mandatory)

1.01 Thumbnail

Prepare small thumbnail that represents this dataset. Create and save thumbnail. Insert thumbnail in the space provided and indicate the file name.



1.02 – Title

Descriptive title for this data. Should provide sufficient information to external users. **Enter Data Title**

Agro Ecological Zones (AEZ) of Saudi Arabia

1.03 – Abstract

Provide a short and concise abstract which summarizes what this data is about. Similar to the abstracted provided in a scientific paper.

Enter data abstract

Agro-climate zones for the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia (KSA) digitized from map published by Ministry of Agriculture. The MoEWA study developed the agro-ecological zones. This dataset offers comprehensive information on agro ecological zones across Saudi Arabia, encompassing diverse landscapes beyond just forested areas. It includes highresolution spatial data beneficial for agricultural planning, ecosystem monitoring, and sustainable resource management across various ecological zones. Curated by the FAO-KSA project team, this dataset aids in informed decision-making by providing insights into ecological characteristics and land-use potential throughout the country. Researchers, policymakers, and land managers can utilize this resource for national studies and environmental assessments.

1.04 – Date type

 Provide all three type of dates - Creation date, Publication date, and Revision date.

 Identification of when a giver event occurred

 Creation
 5 Mar 2018

 Publication
 2018

 Revision
 2018

 relevant date
 2018

1.05 – Group

The group, department or unit to which this data belongs.		
Enter group name		
Registered Members,		
FAO Spatial Data Group,		
Natural Resources Management Component NRM - FAO KSA		

1.06 – Category	1.07 – Free-text Keywords	
Provide one primary category to which this data belong.	Keywords helps Search Engines such as Google find	
Select from the list provided. Possible categories related	data requested by users. Use FAO AGRIS to select the	
to the SRADP project are highlighted in green color.	most appropriate keywords for this data. To make the	
	data discoverable, provide a minimum of 5 keywords.	
Field declared Mandatory by the Metadata Schema	A space or comma-separated list of keywords. Use the	
	Widget to select from Hierarchical tree.	
Select one of the following : (highlighted by Yellow)	REQUIRED: Common-use word or phrase used to	
	describe the subject of the data set. (Provide 5 keyword minimum)	
Imagery Base Maps Earth Cover	Agro Climatic Zones	
Society		
	ACZ	
Economy	Zone Name	
Utilities Communication	Zone Code	
Environment	-	
Oceans	-	
Biota	-	
Health	-	
Elevation	-	
Geoscientific Information	-	
Planning Cadastre	-	
Inland Waters	-	
Boundaries	-	
Structure	-	
Transportation	-	
Intelligence Military	-	
Location	-	
Climatology Meteorology Atmosphere	-	

Farming	-
Population	-

Part 2: Location and Licenses (Mandatory)

2.01 Language		
Provide data language		
anguage used within the dataset		
nter data language		
English		

2.02 License

Provide the type of license under which this data is published and intended to be used.

License of the Dataset

Select one of the following License: (highlighted by Yellow)

NextView

Not Specified

Open Data Commons Open Database License / OSM

Public Domain

Public Domain / USG

Varied / Derived

Varied / Original

2.03 Attribution

Identify the entity or agency with authority and responsibility over this data.

Authority or function assigned, as to a ruler, legislative assembly, delegate, or the like.

*Field declared Mandatory by the Metadata Schema

Enter attribution for this data

Since the GIS Department of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations in Saudi Arabia Digitized and created this layer of Agro Climatic Zones, accordingly no one can dispose of or obtain this layer without the approval of the organization's office.

2.04 Regions

Identify the region that the data covers. You can provide several regions. Enter global or specific regions

13 Region of Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

2.05 Data quality statement

Statement on the data quality. This allows any known issue about the data quality to be documented and shared with data user so that they can use the data appropriately.

Provide data quality statement

This Agro climatic zone map of KSA was digitized from map previously published by Ministry of Agriculture. The source map is xxx. Due to the size of original map used for digitization, the quality of the data is not high.

2.06 Restrictions

Indicate any know restriction on this data. You could consideration the following when assessing data restriction:

(1) Exclusive right to the publication, production, or sale of the rights to a literary, musical, or artistic work, or to the use of a commercial print or label, granted by law for a specified period of time to an author, composer, artist, distribution

(2) Rights to financial benefit from and control of distribution of non-tangible property that is a result of creativity

(3) Formal permission to do something

(4) Government has granted exclusive right to make, sell, use or license an invention or discovery

(5) Produced or sold information awaiting a patent

(6) Withheld from general circulation or disclosure

(7) Name, symbol, or other device identifying a product, officially registered and legally restricted to the use of the owner or manufacturer

(8) Other restrictions

Limitations Placed upon the access or use of the data

* Field declared Mandatory by the Metadata Schema

Enter any know data use restriction information

(3) Formal permission to do something

This data can be used for presentation and View, if there is any kind of modification, coordination with the GIS Department in organization's office in Saudi Arabia is required.

2.07 Other constraints

Identify any other constrains on this data that would be important to document and share with the data users Enter other constrains on this data

Part 3: Other Data Description (Optional)

3.01 Edition

If the data is linked or resulting from work that has editions, indicate the edition for this dataset.

Version of the cited resource

Enter Edition

Version 1

3.02 DOI

The DOI (Digital Object Identifier) will be assigned by the Metadata Administrator. DOI will be added by Admin before publication

Create and enter the data DOI

3.03 Purpose

The purpose for which this dataset and related studies were undertaken.

Provide data purpose

Agro climatic zones are used by experts for planning and decisions making related to agriculture development, natural resources management, and related fields.

3.04 Maintenance frequency

The frequency for data update.Frequency of data update.Frequency with which modifications and deletions are made to the data after it is first producedSelect one of the following : (highlighted by Yellow)Frequency of maintenance for the data is not knownData is repeatedly and frequently updatedThere are no plans to update the dataData is updated each dayData is updated every yearData is updated as deemed necessaryData is updated every two weeksData is updated every two weeksData is updated on weekly basisData is updated twice each yearData is updated twice each year

3.05 Spatial representation type

How the spatial data is presented, Method used to represent geographic information in the dataset

Select one of the following : (highlighted by Yellow)

Grid data is used to represent geographic data

Three-dimensional view formed by the intersecting homologous rays of an overlapping pair of image

Textual or tabular data is used to represent the geographic data

Triangulated irregular network

Vector data is used to represent geographic data

Scene from a video recording

3.06 Supplemental information (Remarks)

Provide any additional supplemental information about this data that could help the user when using this data Enter supplemental information / Remarks

This layer of Agro Climatic Zones can be also clips according to the regions and governorates to identify which of the Zones types among the regions or specific areas.

3.07 Temporal extent Start and End

Provide temporal extent start and end that may have bearing on this data.

Temporal extent start		Temporal	extent end
Date	Time	Date	Time
Enter temporal start date	Enter temporal start time	Enter temporal end date	Enter temporal end time

3.08 Responsible Parties / Point of Contact

Who can be contacted about this data? This is usually the metadata administrator.

Admin Name

Enter Metadata Admin

Dr. Njeru Jeremiah – Chief Technical Advisor of Natural Resource Management NRM – FAO KSA Mr. Haitham Abdullah – GIS Specialist – FAO KSA

3.09 Responsible and Permissions / Owner

Who is the responsible over this data? This is usually the person that led or supported the creation of the data **Data Responsible / Owner**

Enter data owner

FAO NCVC Geo-Spatial Unit MoEWA

3.10 Metadata Author

Who is the author of the metadata? This is usually the person that led or supported the creation of the data. **Data Responsible / Owner**

Enter Metadata Admin

GIS Department in Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) in Saudi Arabia

Part 4: Part 4 - Data Attributes (Optional)

4.01 Key data features and attributes

Detailed description of the data layer features and attributes will be provide in a separate custom template for data features and attributes description. Here, the key features and attributes (objects) for this data are provided.

Description of key features and attributes			
Attribute / Feature	Description		
Enter the attributes of this Layer	Enter the description of the attributes		
ID (Long Integer)	ID numbers for all polygons of Agro Climatic Zone		
ACZ_Code (String)	Code of Agro Climatic Zones Types		
Zone_Name (String)	Name of the Zone		
Area/Ha (Double)	Areas in Hectare for all polygons of Agro Climatic		
	Zones		