

OVERCAPACITY DAY

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On [Earth Overshoot Day](#), the date that marks the day humanity has exhausted all the natural resources it the planet takes a full year to regenerate, it has been brought forward again in 2019. To be more specific, Overcapacity Day, calculated by the [Global Footprint Network](#), arrives in 2019 on the day of July 29, three days earlier than in 2018. Compared to twenty years ago (1999), the date has already been advanced two months. This date in the calendar

illustrates that in order to maintain the current rate of consumption - energy, forestry, agriculture, fish farming, etc. - we would need 1.7 planets like ours.

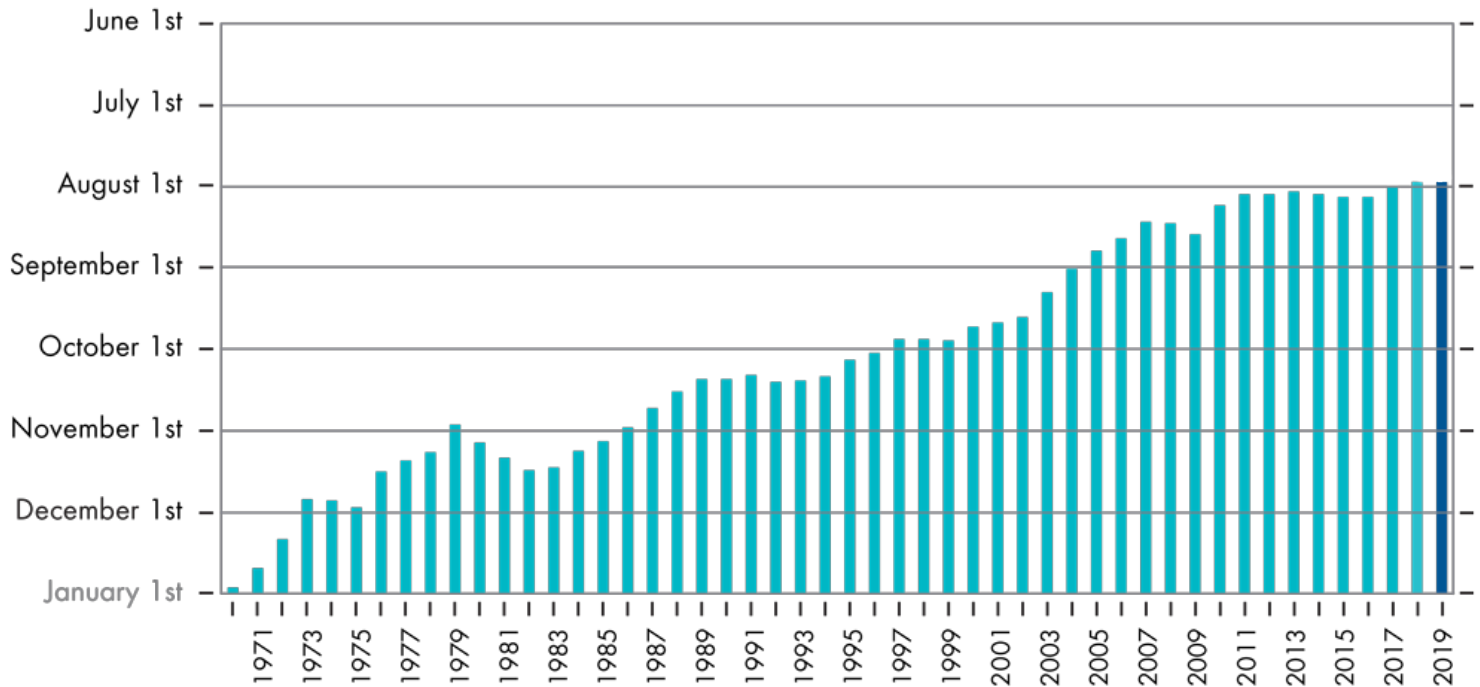


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**Earth Overshoot Day
1970-2019**



1.7 Earths

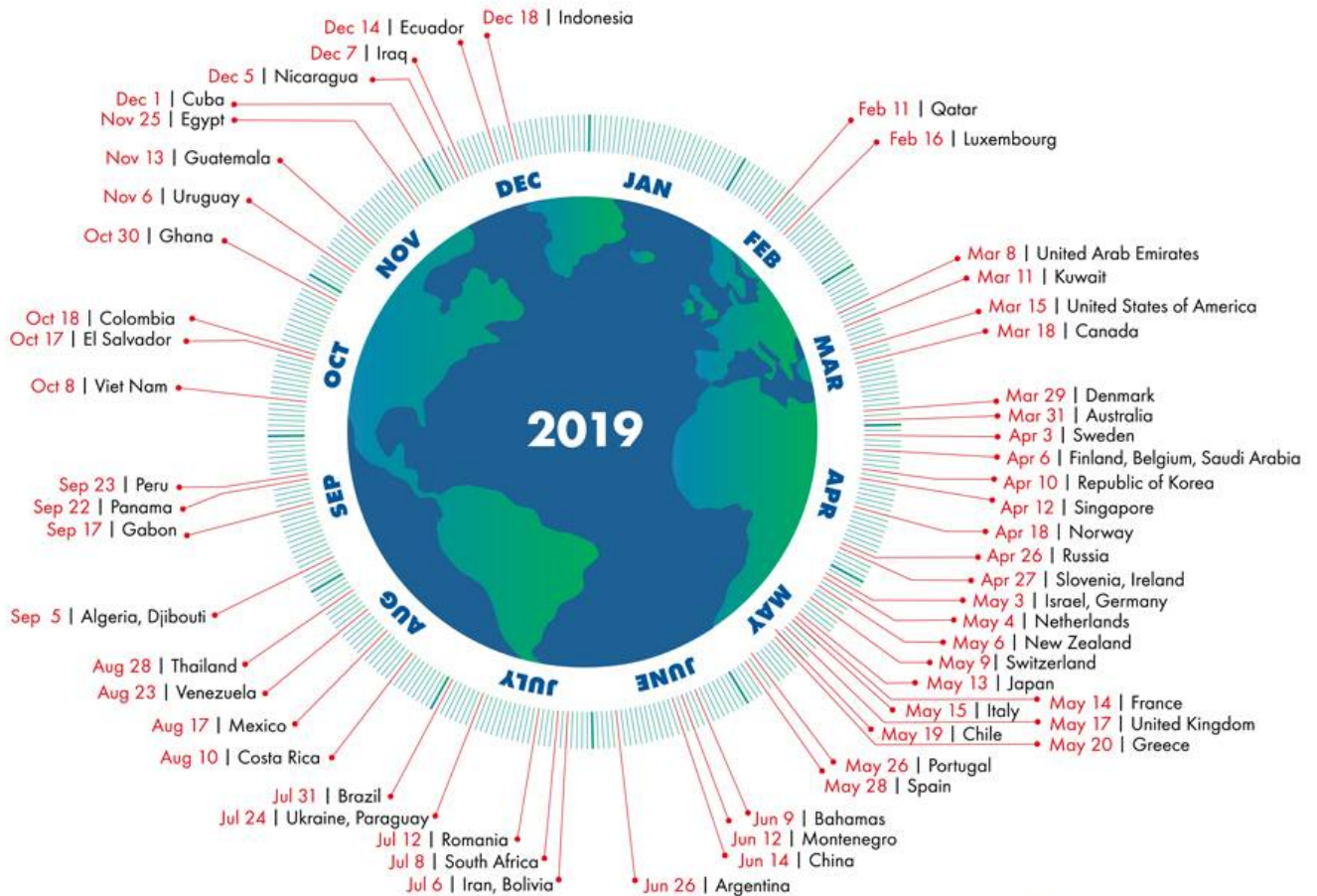


Source: Global Footprint Network National Footprint Accounts 2019

In addition, a calculation of the date is made for each country based on its ecological footprint. As an example, if the entire world population lived like in Spain, Earth Overshoot Day would have already arrived on May 28.

Country Overshoot Days 2019

When would Earth Overshoot Day land if the world's population lived like...



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In order to delay this date again, it is necessary to bet decisively on renewable energy sources, abandon the practices of the linear economy for the circular economy, and rethink our consumption habits.

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