

How does climate change affect physical, mental and community health?

Climate impacts



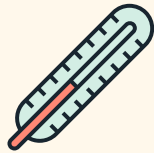
Air pollution



Forest fires



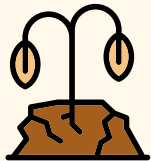
Rising sea level



Temperature increases



Extreme weather phenomena



Droughts



Physical health

- Changes in physical fitness at activity level
- Increase in heat-related episodes
- Rise in allergies
- Increased exposure to waterborne diseases

Mental health

- Stress, anxiety, depression, grief, feeling of loss
- Tension in social relations
- Substance abuse
- Post-traumatic stress disorders

Community health

- Increase in interpersonal aggression
- Increasing violence and crime
- Increased social instability
- Reduction of social cohesion

Source: US Global Change Research Program.