

Levels of Ecological Organisation

9th Grade

From one organism up to the whole biosphere.

Each level contains the one below it.

Level	What it is
Organism	one individual
Population	all of one species in an area
Community	all the populations in an area
Ecosystem	the community plus non-living factors
Biome	all ecosystems of one type worldwide
Biosphere	every living thing on Earth

The step from community to ecosystem is where non-living factors enter — soil, water, climate.