

Living with the Future in Mind: Goals & Indicators for NJ's Quality of Life  
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11 Goals & 41 Indicators for a Sustainable State

Goal: Economic Vitality

- Indicator 1: Income
- Indicator 2: Unemployment
- Indicator 3: Productivity
- Indicator 4: Poverty
- Indicator 5: Gross State Product (GSP)
- Indicator 6: Energy efficiency

Goal: Equity

- Indicator 7: Equal pay
- Indicator 8: Legislators' reflection of population
- Indicator 9: Disparities in infant mortality

Goal: Strong Community, Culture & Recreation

- Indicator 10: Newspaper circulation
- Indicator 11: Crime rate
- Indicator 12: Open space available for public recreation

Goal: Quality Education

- Indicator 13: Graduation rates
- Indicator 14: Student/teacher ratio
- Indicator 15: Standardized test scores
- Indicator 16: Access to higher education

Goal: Good Government

- Indicator 17: Knowledge of government
- Indicator 18: Voter turnout

Goal: Decent Housing

- Indicator 19: Rent affordability
- Indicator 20: Home prices vs. income
- Indicator 21: Housing choice

Goal: Healthy **People**

- Indicator 22: Life expectancy
- Indicator 23: Infectious diseases
- Indicator 24: Asthma
- Indicator 25: Workplace fatalities

Goal: Efficient Transportation and Land Use

Indicator 26: Need for road and bridge repairs

Indicator 27: Vehicle miles traveled

Indicator 28: Workplace transportation options

Indicator 29: Traffic fatalities

Goal: Natural and Ecological Integrity

Indicator 30: Fresh water wetland losses

Indicator 31: Nesting water bird populations

Indicator 32: River health/Dissolved oxygen

Indicator 33: Marine water quality

Goal: Protected Natural Resources

Indicator 34: Energy consumption

Indicator 35: Farmland

Indicator 36: Beach and bay closings

Indicator 37: Preserved and developed land

Goal: Minimal Pollution and Waste

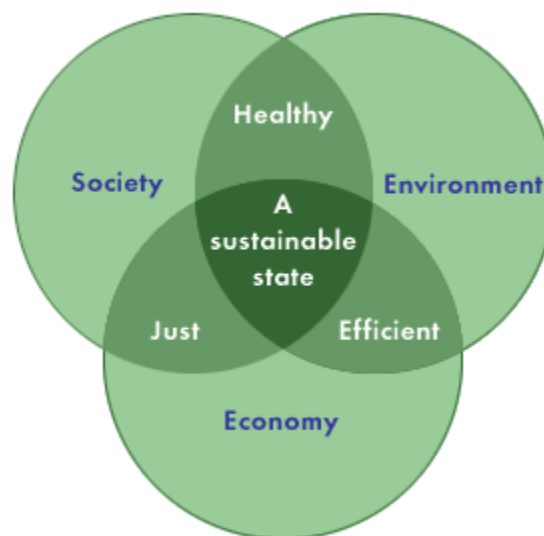
Indicator 38: Greenhouse gas releases

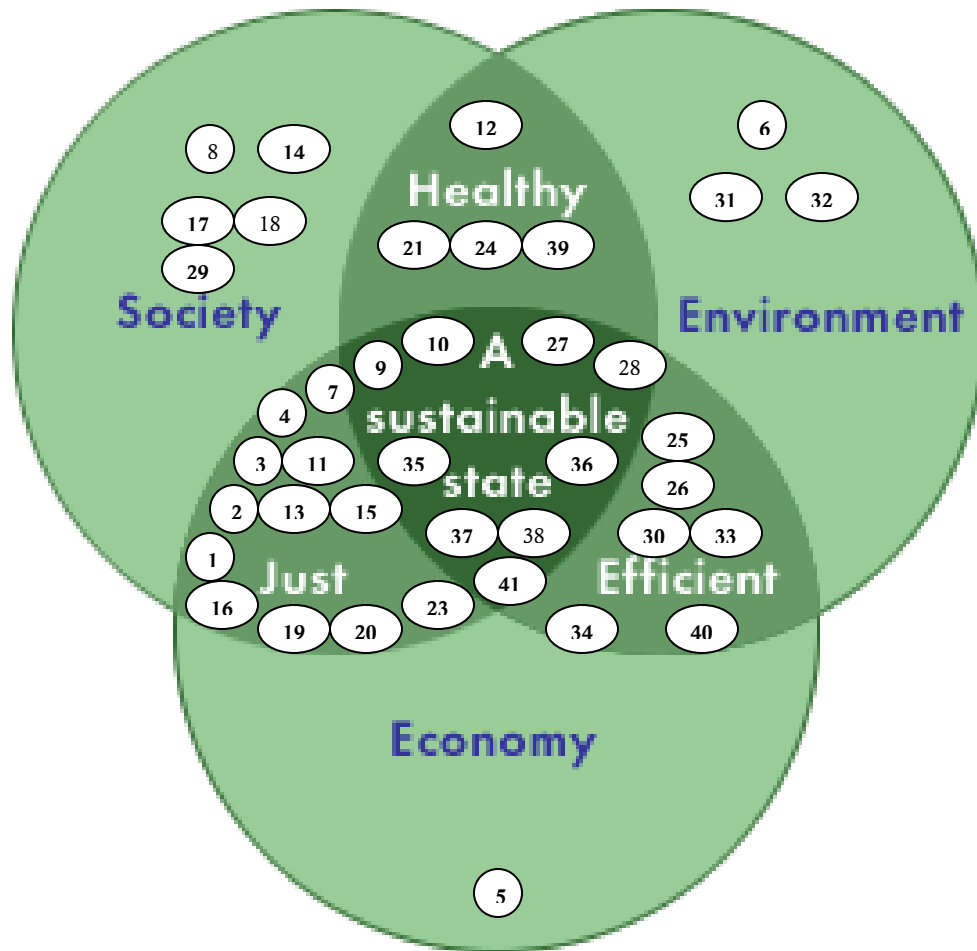
Indicator 39: Drinking water quality

Indicator 40: Total solid waste production

Indicator 41: Air pollution

### A Sustainable State





Above: The location of each indicator on the sustainable state diagram.

## The 20 measures of sustainability with indicators

### Background

#### 1. Population and Gross State Product

### Society (Indicators 8, 14, 17, 18, 29)

2. Crime
3. Quality of Life
4. Educational Attainment

### Environment (Indicators 6, 31, 32)

5. Ecosystems
6. Air Quality
7. Farmland

### Economy (Indicator 5)

8. Work
9. Poverty
10. Economic Productivity

### Healthy: Society & Environment (Indicators 12, 21, 24, 39)

11. Respiratory Disease
12. The Jersey Shore
13. Quality of Drinking Water

### Efficient: Economy & Environment (Indicators 25, 26, 30, 33, 34, 40)

14. Mobility
15. Energy Consumption
16. Waste Production
17. Land Use

### Just: Society & Economy (Indicators 1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 11, 13, 15, 16, 19, 20, 23)

18. Income Inequality
19. Housing Affordability
20. Infant Mortality

### **A Sustainable State: (Indicators 9, 10, 27, 28, 35, 36, 37, 38, 41)**

## United Nations Working List

### Social

Poverty; Demographics; Education ;Health ;Development

### Economic

Consumption ;Resources ;Mechanisms

### Environmental

Agricultural & Rural; Deforestation; Biodiversity; Atmosphere;  
Biotechnology

### Institutional

Science; Information ;Group Roles

SI's Driving Force: 42      State: 53      Response:37

Total number of SI's: 132

### San Francisco ([www.csi.sf.ca.us/environments/sustain/Indicators.htm](http://www.csi.sf.ca.us/environments/sustain/Indicators.htm))

Environment (3)

Biodiversity (4)

Energy, Climate Change, Ozone (2)

Food & Agriculture (3)

Hazardous Materials (4)

Human Health (3)

Parks, Open Spaces (4)

Solid Waste (3)

Transportation (4)

Water & Wastewater (5)

Economic Development (5)

Environmental Justice (3)

Municipal Expenditures (4)

Public Information (3)

\*Risk Management (4)

Total =                      54

### Seattle

Environment (8)

Population & Resources (8)

Economy (9)

Youth & Education (7)

Health & Community (9)

Total =                      41