



SDG implementation in G20 countries

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Canada – UNSDSN SDG Index Ranking

Global Rank: 13 (out of 149)

Key challenges for Canada:

SDG 2 Zero hunger

SDG 9 Industry, innovation & infrastructure

SDG 12 Responsible consumption & production

SDG 13 Climate action

SDG 14 Life below water

SDG 15 Life on land

SDG 17 Partnerships for the Goals

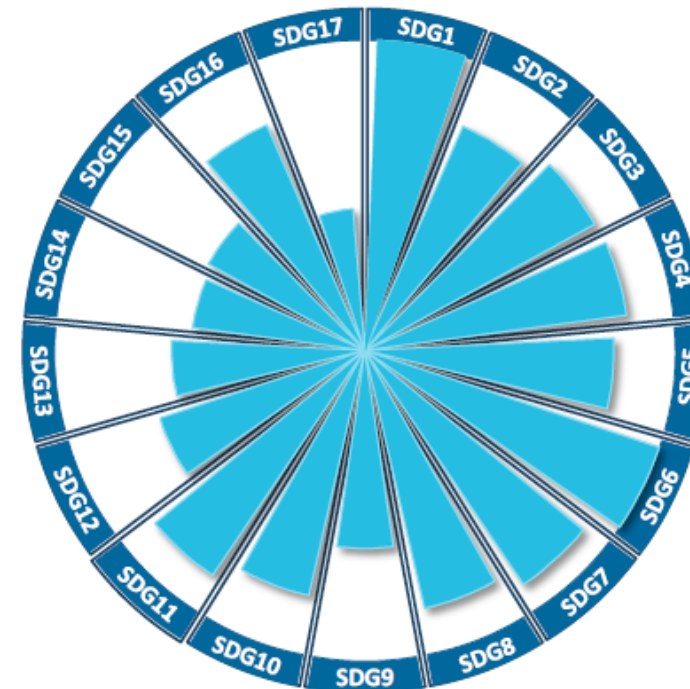
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OVERALL SDG PERFORMANCE	Global rank	Score or value	Regional average
SDG Index	13 (of 149)	76.8 /100	75.3 /100

Comparison with other development metrics

Human Development Index, 2014	9 (of 188)	0.91 /1	0.88 /1
Subjective Wellbeing, 2015	5 (of 149)	7.4 /10	6.6 /10
GDP per capita, PPP, 2015	17 (of 149)	US\$ 45489	US\$ 40671
Global Competitiveness Ind., 2016	13 (of 140)	5.31 /10	4.9 /10
Environmental Perf. Index, 2016	25 (of 180)	85.1 /100	84.4 /100

AVERAGE PERFORMANCE BY SDG



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- Member of the global Inter-agency Expert Group on SDG Indicators
- Published a Federal Sustainable Development Strategy (FSDS) 2016-2019 – Canada's primary vehicle for sustainable development planning & reporting:
 - Links Canada's sustainable development strategy to the SDGs & commits to support SDG implementation
 - Strives to achieve a vision in which Canada is one of the greenest countries in the world & the quality of life continues to improve
 - Commits to reduce GHG emissions, apply strategic environmental assessment and work actively with business to advance sustainable development
 - Commits to update the strategy continuously and report regularly on progress against targets

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- The three – year strategy includes 13 aspirational goals with supporting medium-term targets, short-term milestones and priority actions to:
 - promote clean growth,
 - ensure healthy ecosystems,
 - build safe, secure & sustainable communities
- Key principles of FSDS:
 - Precautionary
 - Ecologically efficient use of natural, social & economic resources
 - Transparency & accountability through regular reporting
 - Public participation
 - Commitment to reconciliation between Indigenous Peoples & the Crown
 - Polluter pays
 - Integration through decisions & policies that account for environmental, economic & social factors
 - Intergenerational equity

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Thirteen Aspirational Goals of the FSDS (Canadian reflection of the SDGs) include:



EFFECTIVE ACTION ON CLIMATE CHANGE

A low-carbon economy contributes to limiting global average temperature rise to well below two degrees Celsius and supports efforts to limit the increase to 1.5 degrees Celsius



LOW-CARBON GOVERNMENT

The Government of Canada leads by example by making its operations low-carbon



CLEAN GROWTH

A growing clean technology industry in Canada contributes to clean growth and the transition to a low-carbon economy



MODERN AND RESILIENT INFRASTRUCTURE

Modern, sustainable, and resilient infrastructure supports clean economic growth and social inclusion



CLEAN ENERGY

All Canadians have access to affordable, reliable and sustainable energy



HEALTHY COASTS AND OCEANS

Coasts and oceans support healthy, resilient and productive ecosystems



PRISTINE LAKES AND RIVERS

Clean and healthy lakes and rivers support economic prosperity and the well-being of Canadians



SUSTAINABLY MANAGED LANDS AND FORESTS

Lands and forests support biodiversity and provide a variety of ecosystem services for generations to come



HEALTHY WILDLIFE POPULATIONS

All species have healthy and viable populations



CLEAN DRINKING WATER

All Canadians have access to safe drinking water and, in particular, the significant challenges Indigenous communities face are addressed



SUSTAINABLE FOOD

Innovation and ingenuity contribute to a world-leading agricultural sector and food economy for the benefit of all Canadians



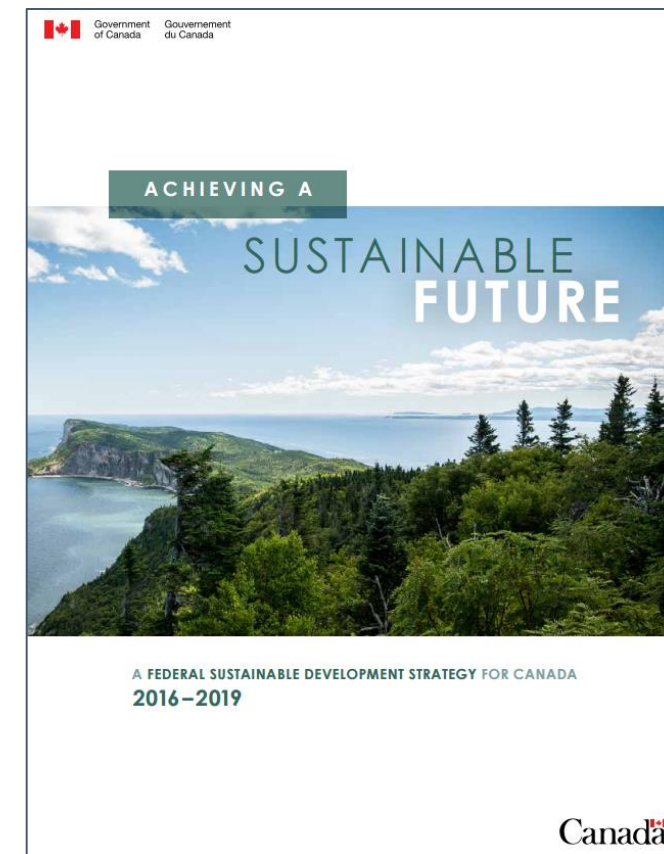
CONNECTING CANADIANS WITH NATURE

Canadians are informed about the value of nature, experiencing nature first hand, and actively engaged in its stewardship



SAFE AND HEALTHY COMMUNITIES

All Canadians live in clean, sustainable communities that contribute to their health and well-being



Source: [Federal Sustainable Development Strategy 2016 - 2019, Government of Canada, 2016](#)

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- Key Actions going forward:
 - Work with partners within Canada & internationally to advance shared priorities
 - Provide Canadians with information allowing them to embrace sustainable lifestyles & safeguard their health
 - Conduct scientific research
 - Invest in technology & infrastructure
 - Ensure robust & thorough environmental assessment of policy, plan & programme proposals
 - Respect the rights of Indigenous peoples
 - Implement strong environmental legislation

Canada – Examples of what business can do

- According to a Canadian business survey conducted by the Global Compact Network Canada following the adoption of the SDGs, **decent work & economic growth** are considered a priority by a majority of Canadian companies. Despite the growing interest by Canadian business in the SDGs, there is room for developing a better understanding of the SDGs and making a clear business case. Develop **a better understanding of the business implications of SDGs** & work with your peers as well as other stakeholders to **build, strengthen & communicate the business case**.



- Take **environmental, social & governance factors** into account in **investment decisions** & encourage sustainable practices through active engagement
- Promote corporate social & environmental **responsibility, accountability & transparency** in supply chains.
- Develop **new technologies & processes** & work with government, Indigenous communities, peers & academia to **implement shared approaches to reduce environmental footprint & maximize positive social impact**.
- Make **environmental & sustainable development commitments** & report on progress.