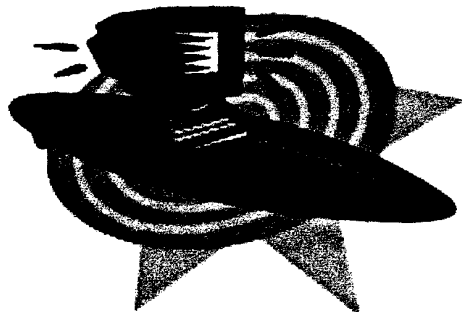


A GUIDE FOR RESEARCHING SUSTAINABILITY ON THE INTERNET



Inside you'll find web sites on a variety
sustainability issues, listed alphabetically by topic.

Learn about sustainability at the global, national,
and local levels!

**A service of the Washtenaw County
Sustainability Education Project**

<http://Www.co.washtenaw.mi.us/depts/Sis/Susted/Susted.html>

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ABOUT THIS GUIDE

- **This guide was designed for teachers and students. Teachers, you may copy this guide and distribute it to your students for research projects. To make copying easier, you've received a single-sided guide. In the spirit of sustainability, please consider double-siding the copies you make.**
- **With well over a million web sites on the web, there is no way we could include them all in this guide. Our selections include reputable organizations, sites with reliable data, and sites that integrate sustainability's three legs: the environment, the economy, and equity.**
- **Future editions of this guide will depend on your input. If you come across a good site that should be included, please e-mail the information (URL and brief description of the site) to the address below. Future plans include putting this guide on-line; all you'd have to do is point and click on the link of your choice!**



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CONSUMER CHOICES

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- Center for a New American Dream:** Nonprofit organization focusing on the effects of consumerism on the quality of life. Also covers the corporate influence in schools. <http://www.newdream.org>
- Coop America "Woodwise" site:** An on-line guide to practices and products that help conserve, recycle, and reuse wood. <http://www.woodwise.org>
- Coop America's sweatshop site:** User-friendly site providing an overview of sweatshops, why they exist, how to fight them, and how various businesses (including Disney and Nike) rate in terms of accountability. <http://www.sweatshops.org>
- Coop America:** A non-profit organization working on sustainable business issues. Contains links to other sites on green investing and responsible consumerism. <http://www.coopamerica.org>
- Fair Trade Federation:** The "Fair Trade" movement <http://www.fairtradefederation.com> ensures living wages and safe working conditions for farmers and artisans in the developing world. Site has sources of fairly traded crafts, coffee, clothing, and other products. An alternative to sweatshop-produced goods.
- General information:** This site, also sponsored by Coop America, has news and tips for creating financial security, purchasing, and investing. <http://www.realmoney.org>
- "Green Guide:"** Factsheets on non-toxic food and products from the organization Mothers and Others for Livable Planet. <http://www.mothers.org>
- Green Purchasing Guide:** An on-line guide to more than 10,000 environmentally preferable products and services. Sponsored by Coop America. <http://www.greenpages.org>
- Social Investing:** Information and news on socially screened mutual funds, money markets, etc. Sponsored by Coop America. <http://www.socialinvest.org>

DEMOGRAPHICS AND STATISTICS*

Global Demographic Information

United Nations-Data on a variety of environmental, social, and economic indicators. Many links to key organizations.

- Kofi Annan's e-mail: [sg @ un.org](mailto:sg@un.org)

State of the World Indicators/ Millennium Web Site- Data on a variety of environmental, social, and economic indicators. Links to research institutes.

World Resources Institute: Statistics on natural resources

World Bank: Financial and demographic information on every country in the world.

National Demographic Information

US Information Agency

Federal Bureau of Labor Statistics

Bureau of the Census

Department of Labor

Federal statistics: Data from more than 70 government agencies can be accessed from this site.

<http://www.un.org>

<http://www.undp.org> (UN Development Program)

- <http://www.unicef.org> (**UNICEF**)

<http://www.igc.org/millennium/inds/index.html>

<http://www.wri.org>

<http://www.worldbank.org>

<http://www.usia.gov>

<http://www.bls.gov/>

<http://www.census.gov/>

<http://www.dol.gov>

<http://www.fedstats.gov>

State and Local Demographic Information

State of Michigan Home Page

Southeast Mi Council of Governments

(SEMCOG): *Links to demographic and statistical information on Southeast MI.*

<http://www.state.mi.us>

<http://www.semco.org>

THE ECONOMY

Subdivided by the following categories: Ecological Economics and Sustainability; Finance; Globalization; Labor, State and Local Economy

Ecological Economics and Sustainability

Carbohydrate Economy: A nonprofit research group

<http://www.carbohydrateeconomy.org>

focusing on the transition to plant-based energy systems and manufacturing. Site includes current policies and practices from around the country.

Coop America: A non-profit organization working on sustainable business issues. Contains links to other sites on green investing and responsible consumerism.

<http://www.coopamerica.org>

Council of Canadians: This site contains suggestions for humane trade policies, based on the UN Convention for Human Rights.

<http://www.canadians.org>

Ecological Economics On-line Course: Offered by Tufts University, these on-line courses cover both macro and micro aspects of ecological economics. You need Adobe Acrobat to download the materials (This is a free software available on this site).

<http://www.tufts.edu/gdae>

Economic Policy Institute: Research institute that focuses on domestic and global economic issues, including sustainability.

<http://www.epinet.org>

Environomics: Links to documents and organizations relevant to ecological economics.

<http://www.environomics.org/index.html>

Friends of the Earth: Involved in efforts to democratize economic globalization. Their 'Green Scissors Report' provides details about subsidies for mining, timber, etc.

<http://www.foe.org>

Green Tax Shift: Efforts to create a tax policy that rewards conservation while penalizing waste.

<http://www.progress.org>

Institute for Agriculture and Trade Policy: A research institute focusing on the impacts of globalization on food security and hunger.

<http://www.iatp.org>

Institute for Local Self-Reliance: A nonprofit research group focusing on efforts to build local economies and self-reliant communities. Links to initiatives around the country.

<http://www.ilsr.org>

More sites on this topic on the next page.

Ecological Economics and Sustainability, continued

- Institute for Policy Studies:** A research institute focusing of global issues, national economic policy, and sustainability. <http://www.ips-dc.org/>
- International Institute for Sustainable Development:** Canadian research organization tracking global negotiations in major policy areas. Scholarly, in-depth writing. <http://www.iisd.ca>
- International Society for Ecological Economics:** Organization working to create ecologically-based economic policy. <http://kabir.umd.edu/iSEE/ISEEhome.html>
- "Natural Capitalism":** Paul Hawken's article-- a good introduction to sustainable economics-- is reprinted on the Mother Jones web site. http://bsd.mojones.com/mother_jones/MA97/hawken.html
- Natural Step:** A global movement to align business practices with laws of natural systems. One of the most important movements in sustainability. <http://www.naturalstep.org>
- Rethinking Progress** (Developed the Genuine Progress Indicator as an alternative to the GDP) <http://www.rprogress.org/>
- Sierra Club-** Involved in efforts to democratize economic globalization. <http://www.sierra.org/>
- Sustainable Business:** Providing news, resources, insight and inspiration to accelerate momentum toward a green economy. <http://sustainablebusiness.com>
- ### Finance
- Accion International:** A microcredit institution working mostly in Latin America. <http://www.accion.org>
- Grameen Bank:** A Bangladeshi bank that is a world leader on microcredit. <http://www.ilo.org>
- World Bank:** Information on global lending, debt, and other fiscal matters. <http://www.worldbank.org>

More economic sites on the next page.

Globalization

- Coop America's sweatshop site:** User-friendly site providing an overview of sweatshops, why they exist, how to fight them, and how various businesses (including Disney and Nike) rate in terms of accountability. <http://www.sweatshops.org>
- Coop America:** A non-profit organization working on sustainable business issues. Contains links to sites on sweatshops. <http://www.coopamerica.org>
- Corporate Watch:** Nonprofit organization that tracks corporate behavior. <http://www.corpwatch.org>
- Council of Canadians:** Suggestions for humane trade policies, based on the UN Convention for Human Rights. <http://www.canadians.org>
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- International Forum on Globalization-** Key group for efforts to democratize economic globalization as well as for inf. on the World Trade Organization (WTO) and the Multilateral Agreement on Investment (MAI) <http://www.ifg.org>

More sites on this topic on the next page.

Globalization, continued

International Institute for Sustainable Development:

Canadian research organization tracking global negotiations in major policy areas, including global trade. Scholarly, in-depth writing.

Public Citizen: A Washington-based watchdog group.

Lots of useful and up-to-date information on the World Trade Organization and other global trade issues.

Rethinking Progress: Developed the Genuine Progress Indicator as an alternative to the GDP)

Sierra Club: Involved in efforts to democratize economic globalization.

Sustainable Business: Providing news, resources, insight and inspiration to accelerate momentum toward a green economy.

Third World Network: One of the best sites for perspectives from the 'developing world' not found elsewhere.

World Bank: Information on global lending, debt, and other fiscal matters.

World Trade Organization: International organization that creates trade rules and settles disputes.

<http://www.iisd.ca>

See also the links to their policies on global trade:
(<http://iisd.ca/trade/princip2.html>)

<http://www.citizen.org>

<http://www.rprogress.org>

<http://www.sierra.org>

<http://sustainablebusiness.com>

<http://www.twn.org>

<http://www.worldbank.org>

<http://www.wto.org>

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Labor

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<http://www.sweatshops.org>

International Labor Organization: UN agency covering global labor issues, including child labor.

<http://www.ilo.org>

Labor Net: A computer network and database of labor information. A good starting point for research on labor issues.

<http://www.igc.org/igc/In>

National Labor Committee: Educates the US public on labor abuses around the world. Includes reports on well-known companies.

<http://www.nlcnet.org>

US Department of Labor

<http://www.dol.go>

State and local economy

**Michigan Economic
Development Corporation**

<http://www.mdec.michigan.org>

**National Association of
Counties**

<http://www.naco.org>

**Southeast Michigan Council
of Governments (SEMCOG):**

<http://www.semco.org>

**State Dept. of Commerce (now
Consumer & Industry Services)**

<http://www.commerce.state.mi.us>

State of Michigan Home Page

<http://www.state.mi.us>

**Washtenaw Development
Council**

<http://www.wdc-econdev.com>

EDUCATION, GENERAL

Sites of general interest to educators of all levels.

- American Educational Research Association:** One of the nation's most prominent educational research organization. Lots of good links to research institutes, clearinghouses and think tanks. <http://www.aera.net>
- Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development:** A professional association for educators. The site has articles from ASCD's journal, "Educational Leadership", as well as other resources for educational professionals. <http://www.ascd.org>
- Education International:** A comprehensive site for educators throughout the world, with information on current events, information, and issues in education. <http://www.ei-ie.org>
- Education Week on the Web:** A comprehensive guide to education news nationwide. Includes a search able index to past issues. <http://www.edweek.org>
- Eisenhower National Clearinghouse for Math and Science:** Federal-funded clearinghouse for math and science educators. A good starting point. <http://www.enc.org>
- ERIC: Educational Research Information Clearinghouse:** Searchable database of 950,000 abstracts of journal articles, conference proceedings, and other documents. The first stop for educators doing research. Assistance available at 1-800-LET-ERIC. <http://www.accesseric.org>
- I*EARN:** On-line multidisciplinary projects. Teachers and students from around the world collaborate with each other on research and education. Requires membership fee to participate. <http://www.iearn.org>
- Library of Web Sites for Educators:** A database of educational websites organized by media and topic. A useful site for finding educational resources. <http://www.kn.pacbell.com/wired/bluewebn/>
- MiddleWeb:** Dedicated to reform and innovation in middle schools, with an emphasis on urban issues. Lots of good links to other on-line resources. <http://www.middleweb.com>

EDUCATION, GENERAL --continued

National Center for Education Statistics: Federal government site with research data on education.

<http://www.nces.ed.gov>

National Council for Social Studies: National association for social studies educators.

<http://www.ncss.org>

Rethinking Schools: Milwaukee-based organization

<http://www.rethinkingschools.org>

focused on educational policy, including finance, equity, and discrimination. Their catalog has excellent curricula and resources.

Teaching for Change: Information on anti-bias education.

<http://www.teachingforchange.org>

Their catalog has excellent resources for involving students in working for equity and justice. Write to get a copy:

necadc@aol.com

US Department of Education: Federal agency, with information on funding, programs, research, and education reform initiatives.

<http://www.ed.gov>

EDUCATION -- environment, global issues, sustainability

Sites for environmental, global, geographic, and sustainability education with an emphasis on k- 12 educators.

- Cyber School Bus:** United Nations site providing resources for teachers and students on global issues. <http://www.un.org/Pubs/CyberSchoolBus/main.html>
- Education for a Sustainable Future:** Site of one of the largest sustainability education initiatives in the country. <http://www.concord.org/esf/index.cfm>
On-line units, rubrics, and other resources.
- Educators for Social Responsibility:** A leading source for resources and training on non-violence, conflict resolution, and other aspects of social education. <http://www.esrnational.org>
- EE-Link (The National Council for Environmental Education and Training):** This comprehensive site contains a directory of classroom materials, project ideas, grants, and other resources. A great starting point for environmental education on the web. <http://www.eelink.net>
- Environmental Protection Agency Teacher's page:** Classroom resources on conservation, human health, water quality, waste, ecosystems, and air quality. <http://www.epa.gov/teachers>
- Green Map:** A global collaboration that helps students create community maps to identify and promote a community's environmental assets. Their site contains some good examples of student-made maps and a how-to guide. <http://www.greenmap.org>
- National Geographic Society:** Resources to help teachers strengthen geographic education. <http://www.nationalgeographic.com>
- North American Association for Environmental Education:** A network of environmental education associations North America. <http://www.naaec.org>
- Rethinking Schools:** Milwaukee-based organization working on educational policy, including finance, equity, and discrimination. Their catalog has excellent resources. <http://www.rethinkingschools.org>
- Second Nature :** The leading organization for sustainability in higher education. Site has bibliographies and course overviews to help high school and university educators plan sustainability courses. <http://www.2nature.org>
- Sustainability Education Center/The American Forum for Global Education-Sustainability** in high schools. The site has information and summaries of curricula. <http://www.globaled.org> (Follow *links to 'Sustainability Education'*).

ENERGY

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Center for Energy Efficiency and Renewable Technologies:

Information on renewable energy technologies.

<http://www.ceert.org>

CREST-Solstice (Center for Energy and Sustainable Technologies): Another group working on renewable energy.

<http://www.crest.org>

Federal Department of Energy

<http://www.doe.gov>

See also The Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Clearing House: Free source of information on renewable energy.

<http://www.eren.doe.gov>

NREL (National Renewable Energy Lab): Government institute for renewable energy.

<http://www.nrel.gov>

State Energy Division: Links to Biomass Energy and Clean Cities Program
[/opla/erd/ehome.htm](http://opla/erd/ehome.htm)

<http://www.commerce.state.mi.us>

US EPA: Searchable database of more than 2500 energy efficiency and renewable energy annotated Web links. Contains case studies, reports, publications, economic analyses, product directories, discussion groups, etc.

<http://gem.crest.org/>

THE ENVIRONMENT

Subdivided in global/national organizations and local organizations.

The Environment: global/national information

- Environmental Protection Agency:** A comprehensive site from this federal environmental agency. Databases, links to regional information, sources of funding, etc. . <http://www.epa.gov/>
- Coop America "Woodwise" site:** An on-line guide to practices and products that help conserve, recycle, and reuse wood. <http://www.woodwise.org>
- Earth Charter Campaign:** Aiming to draft a statement of ethical principles, similar to the UN Declaration on Human Rights, that will guide the conduct of people and nations towards each other and the Earth to ensure peace, equity and a sustainable future. <http://www.earthcharter.org>
- Earth Forum:** An on-line conference focuses on the topic of Global Ethics, Sustainable Development and the Earth Charter. <http://www.earthforum.org>
- Earth Island Institute:** Focuses on oceans and other global environmental issues. <http://www.earthisland.org>
- Econet:** A computer network of environmental organizations. This site has a database of environmental information and articles. A good starting point for research. <http://www.igc.org/igc/econet>
- Friends of the Earth-** Nonprofit organization working on a variety of global environmental issues including the environmental impacts of economic globalization. <http://www.foe.org>
- League of Conservation Voters:** Publishes the National Environmental Scorecard, an annual report of the voting record of members of Congress on environmental issues. <http://www.lcv.org>
- National Audubon Society:** Focused on sustaining ecosystems and the habitat they provide to birds. <http://www.audubon.org>
- National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration:** Federal agency dealing with climate issues. Links to environmental data, legislation, the National Marine Fisheries Service, and other sites. <http://www.noaa.gov>

More sites on this topic on the next page.

The Environment: Global/national, continued

Natural Resources Defense Council: Nonprofit group
<http://www.nrdc.org>
focusing on legal aspects of environmental protection.

Sierra Club- One of the nation's oldest environmental
<http://www.sierra.org>
groups. Also involved in efforts to democratize
economic globalization.

United Nations: Information on the global environment
<http://www.un.org> Follow
with links to many other key organizations.

links to the environment.

World Resources Institute: Information on the global
<http://www.wri.org>
environment.

<http://www.worldwildlife.org>

World Wildlife Fund: One of the largest private
conversation organizations in the world working in more
than 100 countries to protect biodiversity.

The Environment: State/local

Dept. of Environmental Quality: State environmental
<http://www.deq.state.mi.us/>
information.

Ecology Center: Ann Arbor-based group focusing on local and
<http://www.ecocenter.org>
national issues, including land use, pollution, and
sustainability.

Huron River Watershed Council: Focuses on water quality of
<http://comnet.org/hrwc>
the Huron river watershed.

Michigan Environmental Coalition: Statewide organization of
<http://www.mienv.org>
environmental advocates. Tracks state legislation.

Washtenaw County: Environment and Infrastructure
<http://www.co.washtenaw>.

Services: Local environmental information. Links to local and
mi.us/depts.eis
national initiatives and organizations.

EQUITY.

Includes sites on children's rights, gender equity, anti-racism, and peace.

Anti-racism efforts: A consortium of non-governmental organizations have gathered to combat racism.

<http://www.fight-racism.org/>

Child Labor Fact Sheet

<http://www.cafod.org.uk/childfs.htm>

Children's Defense Fund: One of the foremost organization's focusing on the impacts of social policy on children.

<http://www.childrensdefense.org>

children's rights site

http://www.oneworld.org/child-rights/child_rights.html

<http://www.igc.org/igc/cn>

Conflict Net: A computer network and database of information on conflict resolution. A good starting point for research in this area.

Educators for Social Responsibility: A leading source for resources and training on non-violence, conflict resolution, and other aspects of social education.

<http://www.esrnational.org>

Fair Trade Federation: "Fair Trade" ensures living wages for farmers and artisans in the developing world. Site has sources of fairly traded crafts, coffee, clothing, and other products. An alternative to sweatshop-produced goods.

<http://www.fairtradefederation.com>

One World gender research center

<http://www.oneworld.org/guides/gender/front.html>

<http://www.igc.org/igc/pn>

Peace Net: A computer network and database of information on anti-violence work. A good starting point for research on peace.

Southern Poverty Law Center: Promotes efforts to combat racism. Their magazine "Teaching Tolerance" is free to teachers.

<http://www.splc.org>

Teaching for Change: Information on anti-bias education. Their catalog has excellent resources for involving students in working for equity and justice. Write to get a copy: necadc@aol.com

<http://www.teachingforchange.org>

More sites on this topic on the next page.

Equity, continued

UNICEF: Information on the state of the world's children.
Many useful links.

<http://www.unicef.org>

Women's Net: A computer network and database of information on gender equity. A good starting point for research on gender.

<http://www.igc.org/igc/wn>

FORESTS/MOOD

Coop America "Woodwise" site: An on-line guide to <http://www.woodwise.org> practices and products that help conserve, recycle, and reuse wood.

National Audubon Society: Works to sustain forest ecosystems and the habitat they provide to birds.
<http://www.audubon.org>

Natural Resources Defense Council: Nonprofit group focusing on legal aspects of environmental protection. Their "Forests for Tomorrow" initiative promotes the use of consumer power to create more sustainable practices in the wood and paper industries.
<http://www.nrdc.org>

Rainforest Action Network: A nonprofit organization supporting the protection of rainforests and their inhabitants.
<http://www.ran.org>

Rethink Paper: A project of the Earth Island Institute. Works with producers and consumers of paper to develop ecologically sound practices, including the use of non-wood fibers.

<http://www.earthisland.org/paper/rtp.html>

Sierra Club: One of the nation's oldest environmental groups. Also involved in efforts to democratize economic globalization.

<http://www.sierra.org>

United Nations: Information on the global environment. Follow links to the environment with links to many other key organizations.

<http://www.un.org>

World Resources Institute: Information and statistics on the global environment.

<http://www.wri.org>

GOVERNMENT/ CIVIC INVOLVEMENT

See also listing for "Demographics" for more government sites.

Federal Government

Executive Branch: President

<http://www.whitehouse.gov>

Legislative Branch: Senate. Contact your Senators, following the progress of legislation and Senate activities.

<http://www.senate.gov>

Legislative Branch: House of Representatives. Contact your Representative, following the progress of legislation and House activities.

<http://www.house.gov>

Legislative Updates: Track the progress of legislation introduced to Congress. An excellent site. Searchable by keyword.

<http://www.thomas.loc.gov>

Judicial Branch: Homepage to the federal court system.

<http://www.uscourts.gov>

State Government

State of Michigan Government: First stop for state government info. Links to all departments.

<http://www.state.mi.us>

Dept. of Environmental Quality: State environmental information.

<http://www.deq.state.mi.us/>

More government sites on the next page.

Local/Regional Government

Washtenaw County Government: Links to County departments, programs, initiatives.

<http://www.co.washtenaw.mi.us>

**National Association of Counties
Southeast Michigan Council of
Governments (SEMCOG):** Regional
information

<http://www.naco.org>
<http://www.semco.org>

Citizen Involvement

Sites to inform citizens about government and help them get involved.

League of Conservation Voters: Publishes the National Environmental Scorecard, an annual report of the voting record of members of Congress on environmental issues.

<http://www.lcv.org>

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<http://www.thomas.loc.gov>

Neighborhoods On-line: Originally begun in Philadelphia, this initiative promotes grassroots community involvement. Lots of good links.

[http://www.libertynet.org/
community/phila/natl.html](http://www.libertynet.org/community/phila/natl.html)

New Rules Project: A nonprofit that tracks and promotes legislation to promote sustainability. If you're trying to find examples of laws, regulations, and ordinances passed by other cities, states, or govt.'s., you can search the New Rules database of full-text documents. An excellent site.

<http://www.newrules.org>

WebActive: A project aimed at promoting the Web as a tool for civic involvement. Many good links and resources.

<http://www.webactive.com>

INDICATORS FOR SUSTAINABILITY

Data and statistics used to monitor progress toward sustainability.

"GDP Myth, The: Why "Growth" Isn't Always A Good Thing" The March 1999 issue of the Washington Monthly featured this article by Jonathan Rowe & Judith Silverstein at Redefining Progress.

<http://www.washingtonmonthly.com/features/1999/9903.rowe.growth.html>

Genuine Progress Indicator (article): The May/June 1999 issue of "E Magazine" featured an article on the Genuine Progress Indicator.

<http://www.emagazine.com/may-june-1999/0599feat2.html>

Genuine Progress Indicator:(an alternative to the GDP), developed by the organization **Redefining Progress**. Comprehensive research on quantifying social and environmental costs normally left out of economic measurements including the GDP.

<http://www.rprogress.org>
Genuine Progress Indicator1998 Update:

http://www.rprogress.org/pubs/gpi1998/gpi1998_execsum.html

Hart Environmental Data: Information on developing community sustainability indicators, sponsored by the **US EPA's Office of Sustainable Ecosystems and Communities**.

<http://www.subjectmatters.com/indicators>

World Indicators/ Millennium Web Site: Data on a variety of global environmental, social, and economic indicators. Links to research institutes.

<http://www.epa.gov/ecocommunity/>

<http://www.igc.org/millennium/inds/index.html>

World Resources Institute: Statistics on natural resources.

<http://www.wri.org>

MEDIA

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- Adbusters (The Media Foundation)** Aims to provide alternatives to the consumer culture. Exposes deceptive advertising campaigns through their famous spoof ads. <http://www.adbusters.org>
- British Broadcasting Corporation:** Good source of world news. <http://news.bbc.co.uk>
- Cyber Youth Network:** Well-rounded youth site focusing on learning, careers, entertainment, and community information. On-line homework assistance. <http://www.cyber-youth.n>
- Fairness and Accuracy in Reporting (FAIR):** Monitors bias in the media. <http://www.fair.org>
- "greenwashing" site:** Exposes misleading environmental advertising campaigns by polluting industries. [http://www.corpwatch.org,
trac/greenwash/ bp.html](http://www.corpwatch.org/trac/greenwash/bp.html)
- New York Times:** Selection of stories from the day's newspaper. You must register to use the database, but it's free. Also: resources for teachers and students. <http://www.nytimes.com>
- Public Television:** Links to programs on PBS. Information and resources for teachers. <http://www.pbs.org>
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MEDIA

- Adbusters (The Media Foundation)** Aims to provide alternatives to the consumer culture. Exposes deceptive advertising campaigns through their famous spoof ads. <http://www.adbusters.org>
- British Broadcasting Corporation:** Good source of world news. <http://news.bbc.co.uk>
- Cyber Youth Network:** Well-rounded youth site focusing on learning, careers, entertainment, and community information. On-line homework assistance. <http://www.cyber-youth.net>
- Fairness and Accuracy in Reporting (FAIR):** Monitors bias in the media. <http://www.fair.org>
- "greenwashing" site:** Exposes misleading environmental advertising campaigns by polluting industries. <http://www.corpwatch.org/trac/greenwash/bp.html>
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SUSTAINABILITY INITIATIVES

See also listings for "Economy" and "Environment".

International efforts

- Council of Canadians:** This site contains suggestions for humane trade policies, based on the LIN Convention for Human Rights. <http://www.canadians.org>
- Earth Charter Campaign:** Aiming to draft a statement of ethical principles, similar to the UN Declaration on Human Rights, that will "guide the conduct of people and nations towards each other and the Earth to ensure peace, equity and a sustainable future." <http://www.earthcharter.org>
- Earth Forum:** An on-line conference focusing on global ethics and sustainability. <http://www.earthforum.org>
- E-council:** International organization promoting the policies developed at the 1992 Earth Summit. Lots of links to other groups and an on-line database. <http://www.ecouncil.ac.cr/>
- Eco-Village Information Service:** Information on ecological communities being created around the world. <http://www.gaia.org/>
- Friends of the Earth-** Involved in efforts to democratize economic globalization. Their 'Green Scissors Report' provides details about subsidies for mining, timber, etc. <http://www.foe.org>
- Institute for Agriculture and Trade Policy:** A research institute working for sustainable food systems worldwide. <http://www.iatp.org>
- Institute for Food and Development Policy:** See also Nonprofit group promoting sustainable food systems worldwide. <http://www.foodfirst.org>
- International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives:** A clearinghouse for information on global sustainability initiatives. <http://www.fian.org>
<http://www.iclei.org>
- International Institute for Sustainable Development:** Canadian research organization tracking global negotiations in major policy areas. Scholarly, in depth writing. <http://www.iisd.ca>

National efforts

Carbohydrate Economy: A nonprofit research group focusing on the transition to plant-based energy systems and manufacturing. Site includes current policies and practices from around the country.

<http://www.carbohydrateeconomy.org>

Coop America: A non-profit organization working on sustainable business issues. Contains links to other sites on green investing and responsible consumerism.

<http://www.coopamerica.org>

Ecological Economics On-line Course: Offered by Tufts University, these on-line courses cover both macro and micro aspects of ecological economics. You need Adobe Acrobat to download the materials (this is a free software available on this site).

<http://www.tufts.edu/gdae>

Economic Policy Institute: Research institute that focuses on domestic and global economic issues, including sustainability.

<http://www.epinet.org>

Environmental Success Index: A database listing over 1,400 examples of large and small programs that are creating healthy communities.

<http://www.crest.org/sustainable/renew-america/isearch.html>

EPA's Office of Sustainable Ecosystems and Communities

<http://www.epa.gov/ecocommunity>

Friends of the Earth- Involved in efforts to democratize economic globalization. Their 'Green Scissors Report' provides details about subsidies for mining, timber, etc.

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Green Tax Shift: Efforts to create a tax policy that rewards conservation while penalizing waste.

<http://www.progress.org>

More sites on this topic on the next page.

National efforts, continued

Institute for Local Self-Reliance: A nonprofit research group focusing on efforts to build local economies and self-reliant communities. Contains links to policies and practices from around the country.

<http://www.ilsr.org>

New Rules Project: A nonprofit group that tracks legislation to promote sustainability. If you're trying to find examples of laws, regulations, and ordinances passed by other cities, states, or gov't.'s., you can search the New Rules database of full-text documents. An excellent site.

<http://www.newrules.org>

President's Council for Sustainable Development: Sustainability initiative of the President. Lots of links and information.

<http://www.whitehouse.gov/PCSD>

Smart Growth/Sustainable Communities Network

<http://www.sustainable.org>

Sustainable America Homepage: A national network of organizations and individuals working on all aspects of sustainability.

<http://www.sanetwork.org/>

Sustainable USA: Site continuing the work of the National Town Meeting for a Sustainable American, held May 2-5 1999 in Detroit. Contains chatrooms, searchable databases,. and on-going reporting on the latest sustainability initiatives.

<http://www.sustainableusa.org/>