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INTRODUCTION

The Basque Country has 251 municipalities, a total population of 2,199,711 inhabitants and a surface area of 7,235 km². The population density is 304 inhabitants/km². The Basque Country's GDP per capita is €36,282 (2019) and it has two official languages, Basque and Spanish.

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Udalsarea 2030 is the Basque Network of Sustainable Municipalities. This innovative, dynamic and consolidated network is made up of the three levels of the Basque public administration, and where the local authorities play a key role. Created in 2002, it has become a benchmark in Europe for networking and the transformative actions of its members.

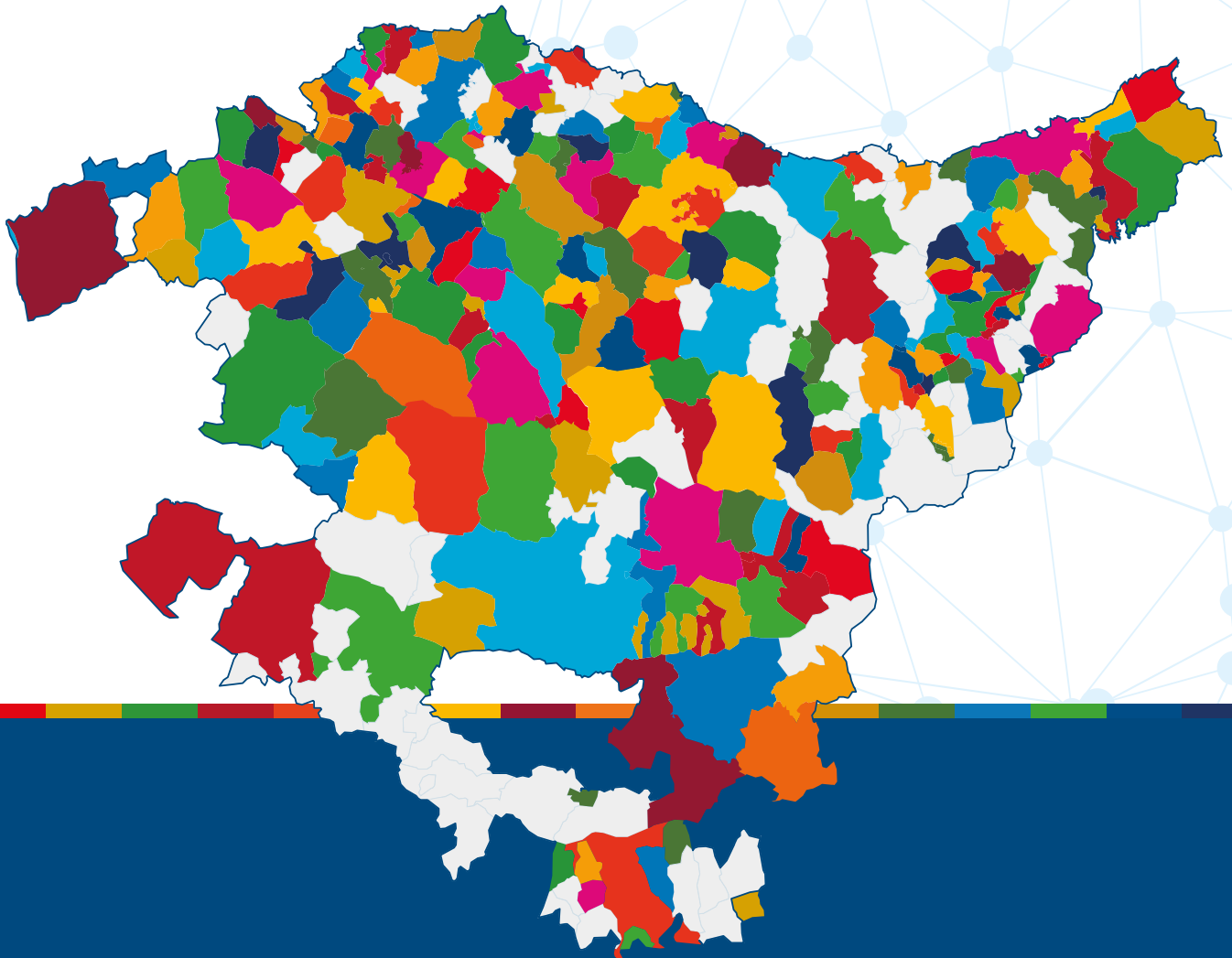
191 of the 251 **municipalities of the Basque Country** are members and actively involved in Udalsarea 2030. There are therefore a large number of **Local Sustainability Action Plans**, which are progressively improving the quality of life of their local populations, who account for 96% of the Basque population in total. Furthermore, the network also comprises the Basque Government, Provincial Councils and other supramunicipal public authorities.

In 2018, Udalsarea 2030 **analysed the contribution that its municipalities had made to the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)** by means of the Local Sustainability Action Plans and taking 2015 as the baseline (the year the 2030 Agenda and the SDGs were approved).

Udalsarea 2030 has since advanced in the localization of the Sustainable Development Goals, their targets and indicators to the reality of Basque municipalities.

In turn, the Basque Premier's Office was the driving force behind the **Euskadi Basque Country 2030 Agenda**. This has led to the deployment of different initiatives that have also contributed to the SDG localization.





This report analyses the contribution of Basque municipalities to the SDGs between 2015 and 2019. The information stems from the local sustainability policies in force for that period, the majority of which were designed by the municipalities prior to the 2030 Agenda being adopted.

As Basque municipalities renew their municipal policies towards the Local

2030 Agenda, their impact on the UN Goals will be able to be analysed, along with the ensuing leap when designing local sustainability policies.

Udalsarea 2030 considers the preparation of this report timely and necessary to facilitate the transition to the Local 2030 Agendas.

1.

The Local 2030 Agenda in Udalsarea 2030

The mission of Udalsarea 2030 is to work in a coordinated manner for local sustainable development, foster the co-responsibility of its members, and drive the incorporation of sustainability from a comprehensive approach in municipal policies.

This is achieved by developing management and planning methodologies that foster the transformative actions aimed at improving the quality of life for all.

After 20 years' experience in local sustainability, Udalsarea 2030 and its members are working on the transition of the governance model promoted by the Agenda 21, at the same time as advancing towards the new model based on the 2030 Agenda, both of which led by the United Nations.

The Network started the transition at structural level and it presented the **I Report on the Contribution of the Basque Network of Municipalities for Sustainability to the Sustainable Development Goals in 2018.**



A year later, in 2019, Udalsarea 2020 published the **"LOCAL 2030 AGENDA. How to address the Sustainable Development Goals from local level. PRACTICAL GUIDE"**, to facilitate guidelines for the implementation of the 2030 Agenda among the municipalities and supramunicipal districts of the Basque Country. In that same year, the network changed its name from Udalsarea 21 to Udalsarea 2030.

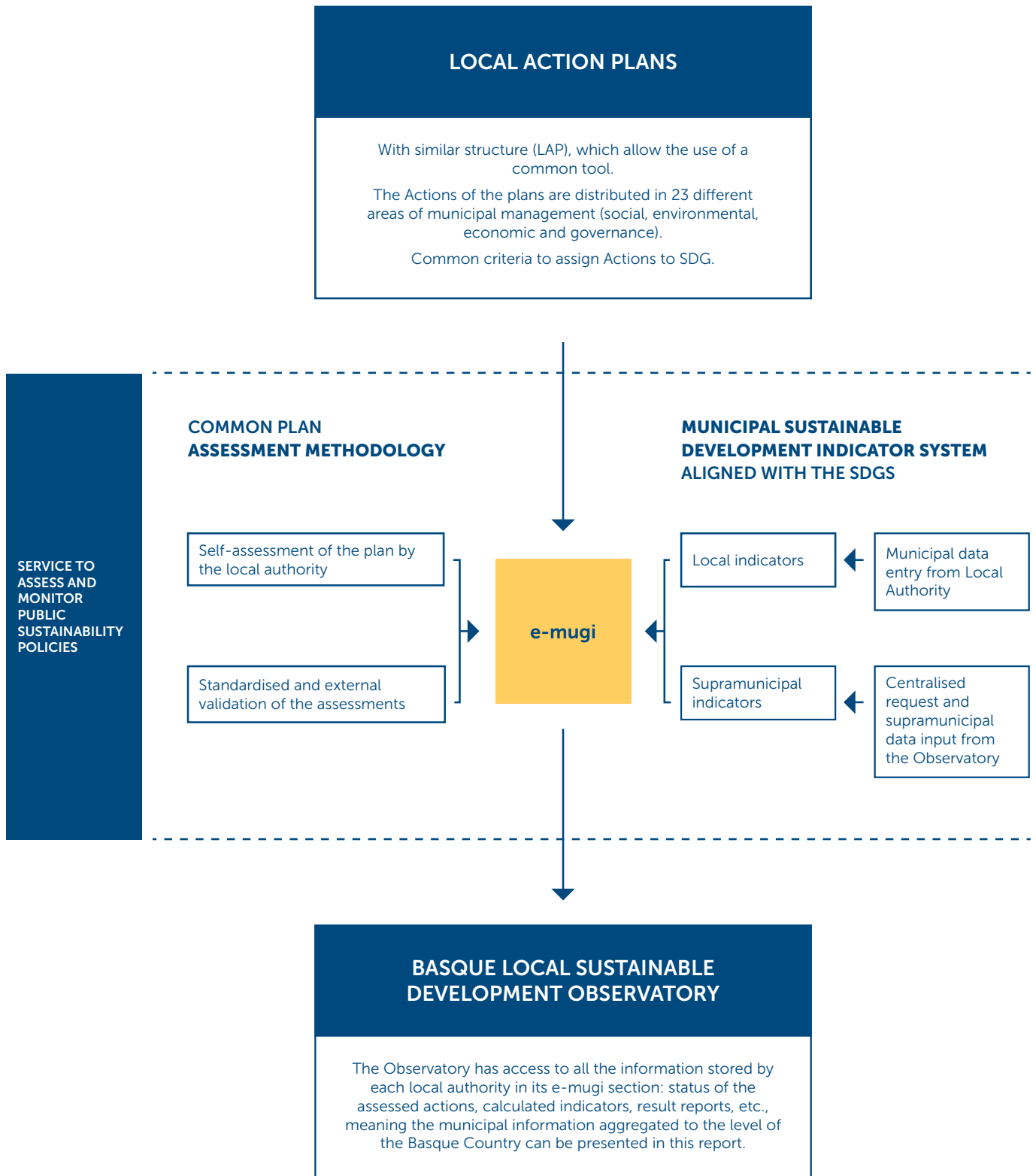


In 2020, Udalsarea 2030 adapted the e-mugi tool – an online app developed within the network to manage and assess the action plans and calculate municipal indicators – to the Sustainable Development Goals. The **Local Sustainable Development Observatory of the Basque Country** centralises all those resources and the information underpinning this report.



FIGURE 1

Structure of resources and tools centralised in the Local Sustainable Development Observatory of the Basque Country



Thus, and according to the latest *Assessment and Monitoring Programme of the Public Sustainability Polices*, the data available at the **LOCAL SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT OBSERVATORY OF THE BASQUE COUNTRY** are:



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Local sustainability plans assessed from the perspective of the SDGs



3,122

Actions analysed



5,800

Municipal indicators in total calculated by the participating municipalities

Beyond these specific tools to drive and facilitate the Local 2030 Agenda processes, Udalsarea 2030 also has other complementary resources, guides and tools. These help to deploy the initiatives and plans that also contribute to different SDGs to a greater or lesser extent.

THE MOST NOTABLE RESOURCES AND THEIR POTENTIAL CONTRIBUTION TO THE SDGS ARE SUMMARISED BELOW:



TABLE 1

Udalsarea 2030 complementary resources to advance in sustainable developments goals at local level

UDALSAREA 2020 WORKBOOKS				
No. 9: First Steps to Integrate Gender in the Local Agenda 21 processes	5	10	11	16
No. 17: Health and Sustainable Urban Development	1	3	11	13
No. 18: Guide to Implementing the Commercial and Household Waste Municipal Ordinance Model	11	12		
No. 21 Udalsarea 2030 Workbook - Guide to Promoting the Circular Economy at Local Level	9	11	12	
METHODOLOGICAL GUIDES				
Guide to Preparing Local Climate and Energy Plans of the Basque Country	7	11	13	
Implementation of Green Public Procurement in Municipalities Manual	12	16		
"Natural solutions" to adapt to climate change locally in the Autonomous Community of the Basque Country	11	13	15	
Urban Planning Manual in the Basque Country for Climate Change Mitigation and Adaptation	11	13		
How to improve the resilience to climate change in the municipalities of the Basque Country. The case of Donostia/San Sebastián and Tolosa	11	13		
Comparative study of local environmental taxation instruments	16			
Assessment of the vulnerability and risk of Basque municipalities to climate change	11	13		
TOOLS				
Application to analyse the Impact of Local Urban Planning Initiatives on Health	3	11		
Tools to calculate GHG emission inventories at Municipal and Supramunicipal Levels	7	11	13	
Tools to calculate the Carbon Footprint of Local Councils and Supramunicipal Authorities	7	11	13	
Risk and vulnerability analysis of all municipalities of the BAC	6	13	14	15

In 2020, nearly 60 Basque municipalities in the Udalsarea 2030 network took part in two specific working and discussions groups on how to address the 2030 Agenda at local level. In that same year, the Basque Premier's Office in conjunction with Eudel likewise deployed the *Gure Udal Agenda 2030* service aimed at Basque municipalities. Its aim has been to facilitate sessions to learn about, raise awareness and politically and technically reflect on how to address the 2030 Agenda, based on the methodology published by Udalsarea 2030 to preparing the Local 2030 Agenda.

The deployment of these initiatives, tools and instruments at a time when many Basque municipalities are embarking on their first steps towards the 2030 Agenda means that the current context of the 2030 Agenda at local level is as follows in figures:

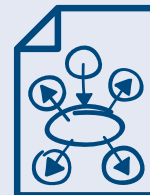


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Udalsarea 2030 municipalities have a **Local SDG status Report** based on the assessment and monitoring of the local sustainability plans from the perspective of the SDGs

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Udalsarea municipalities are taking their **first steps towards the Local 2030 Agenda**, by means of training, information, participating in working groups, etc.

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Udalsarea 2030 municipalities **have considered the SDGs** when preparing their new Local Sustainability Plans

20



Udalsarea 2030 municipalities are already **working on their Local 2030 Agendas**

2.

Governance model of the Local 2030 Agenda in the Basque Country

The governance model for local sustainable development driven by Udalsarea 2030 fosters the assessment of public policies, accountability and transparency, along with municipal mainstreaming and citizen participation.

This governance model is fostered using difference resources and is based on the following benchmark elements:

TABLE 2
Resource structure that facilitate the 2030 Agenda governance model of Udalsarea 2030

	LOCAL ACTION PLANS	ASSESSMENT	INDICATORS	RESULT REPORTS
CONCEPT	Plans with a similar structure (but not content) that allow comparative and shared resources to be generated within the network	<u>Plan self-assessment common methodology</u> , which allows the status of the actions and the progress of the SDG linked plans to be assessed	<u>Common system of Municipal Sustainable Development Indicators</u> that are consolidated and adapted to the SDGs	Local SDG status reports generated automatically by the e-mugi application
AVAILABLE RESOURCES	Methodology guide to prepare plans with a similar structure, but with specific content Specific working groups to address specific sustainable development themes	Public policy assessment service offered by Udalsarea 2030 to its members to:		
		Drive the assessment of the plans, guarantee technical support, and uniform and external validation of those individual assessments	Give impetus to the calculation of Municipal Sustainable Development Indicators, by facilitating supramunicipal data from common sources	Obtain reports on the evolution and contribution of their actions and indicators with respect to the SDGs, and with average data for the BAC, for their internal and external use
SUPPORT TOOL	e-mugi online application Tool to manage the municipal action plan and calculation of municipal sustainable development indicators			

3.

Methodology used to prepare the report

On the one hand, this report, based on the Udalsarea 2030 tools and resources for the local governance of sustainable development, provides information on the local sustainability plans and their implementation status. On the other hand, it considers municipal sustainable development indicators. Their joint analysis allows the way in which current local sustainable development policies contribute to the Sustainable Development Goals to be measured.



**LOCAL SUSTAINABILITY
PLANS AND THEIR
IMPLEMENTATION
STATUS**



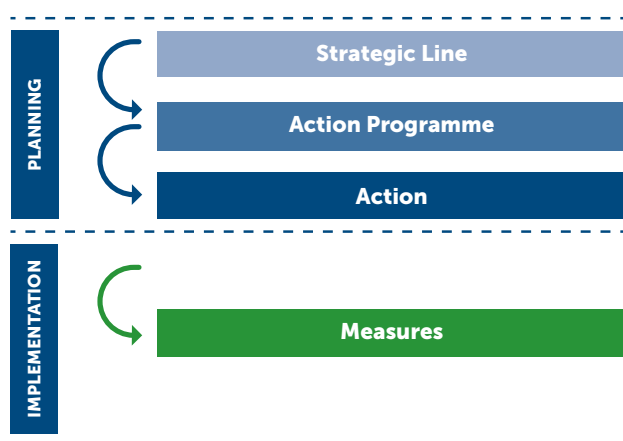
**MUNICIPAL
SUSTAINABLE
DEVELOPMENT
INDICATORS**

**THE KEY METHODOLOGICAL INFORMATION ON BOTH
ASPECTS IS SET OUT BELOW:**



INFORMATION ON THE PLANS IN THIS REPORT

The information included in the report on the degree of implementation of actions allocated to each SDG in Chapter 3 is from the aggregated treatment of the assessment of the 30 plans appraised in 2020.



The local sustainability plans of the Udalsarea 2030 municipalities are structured into three levels. **ACTIONS** are at the most operational level and to which the following are associated: the municipal management sphere, the SDGs to which it contributes, person responsible, lead times, etc.

STATUS OF THE ACTION	NUMERICAL VALUE
(P) START PENDING	0
(I) STARTED	0.25
(AV) ADVANCED	0.50
(F) FINALIZING	0.75
(C) COMPLETED	1

Currently, all the measures implemented in the framework of each action of the plan are reviewed and a specific status established for each action and associated to a numerical value.

$$\text{DEGREE OF IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PLAN} = \frac{(P \times 0) + (I \times 0.25) + (AV \times 0.5) + (F \times 0.75) + (C \times 1)}{N} \times 100$$

A formula can be used to calculate the degree of progress of Plan and of the actions as a percentage based on the assessment of all the actions.¹

¹ Further information: [Handbook on the Assessment of Udalsarea 2030 Local Sustainability Plans.](#)

INDICATORS USED IN THE REPORT


As regards the indicators, this report includes a sample of municipal sustainable development indicators that the municipalities calculate annually. The indicators have been selected based on the number of available data and their representativeness to measure the degree of progress in each SDG in terms of the total available indicators.

In general, the average details for between 2015 and 2019 are presented. Some indicators also give the average per population bracket. The distribution of the municipalities of the Basque Country is as follows:

<1,000 inhab.	98 municipalities
1,001-5,000 inhab.	82 municipalities
5,001-15,000 inhab.	40 municipalities
15,001-40,000 inhab.	21 municipalities
>40,001 inhab.	10 municipalities
TOTAL	251 municipalities

TABLE 3

Methodological summary of the indicators presented in the report²

 1. NO POVERTY					
TITLE	DEFINITION	UNIT	SOURCE	LAST FIGURE	MUNICIPALITIES
Poverty and Social Exclusion	Beneficiaries of the Minimum Income Scheme, per thousand inhabitants.	% inhabitants	Udalmap	2018	193
Poverty level - Recipients of Emergency Social Assistance	Households that are recipients of Emergency Social Assistance, per thousand inhabitants.	% inhabitants	Udalmap	2018	251

² Further information: [Udalsarea 2030 Municipal Sustainable Development Indicator System](#)



2. ZERO HUNGER

TITLE	DEFINITION	UNIT	SOURCE	LAST FIGURE	MUNICIPALITIES
Organic farmland area	Farmland area used for organic crops (Hectares).	ha	ENEK	2019	251
Organic agricultural holdings	Number of organic agricultural holdings. Holdings growing grain cereals, fodder and protein crops, dried fruit and nuts, grain pulses, potatoes for human consumption, seed potatoes, cosmetic, medicinal and/or aromatic plants, industrial crops, fruit growing, horticulture (outdoors and in greenhouses), olive growing, other plant crops, production of seeds and plants, and viticulture according to organic farming criteria shall be considered.	number of holdings	ENEK	2019	251
Organic livestock farmland area	Farmland area used for organic livestock (hectares).	ha	ENEK	2019	251
Organic livestock holdings	Number of organic livestock holdings. Holdings producing domesticated or domestic land animals using production methods complying with Regulation (EC) 834/2007, in all the production, preparation and distribution stages, shall be considered.	number of holdings	ENEK	2019	251
Gross value added (GVA) of the primary sector	Farming, livestock and fishery gross value added (GVA) compared to the GVA of the total sectors (current prices).	%	EUSTAT	2017	251



3. HEALTH AND WELL-BEING

TITLE	DEFINITION	UNIT	SOURCE	LAST FIGURE	MUNICIPALITIES
Air Quality Index	Percentage of days per year with "very good" or "good" or "improvable" air quality.	%	Open data Euskadi	2018	41
Pedestrian use surface	Percentage of pedestrian use surface out of the total surface area of the municipality.	%	Local Council	2018	19
Bidegorri or cycle lane network	Length of specific lanes for the use of interurban and urban bicycles in the municipality. <i>Bidegorri</i> or bike lanes shall be taken to be any public thoroughfare built or specifically fitted out for the use of bicycles with the relevant horizontal and vertical signage, and whose width allows those vehicles to pass safely; lanes for bicycles and pedestrians separated from motorised traffic; occupying the roadway, but separated from motorised traffic by means of road markings, bollards or other separation elements; occupying part of the roadway, differentiated, but not separated, along with stretches for the use for both. The length of the two-way <i>bidegorris</i> shall only be logged once.	km/10,000 inhab	Local Council	2019	18
Road traffic injuries	Percentage of road traffic victims (fatalities, serious injuries and slight injuries) out of the total number of people involved in traffic accidents (%).	%	Basque Government Traffic	2019	251
Life expectancy of women	Average number of years that a woman of a generation will live as defined by Eustat.	years	EUSTAT	2016	251
Life expectancy of men	Average number of years that a man of a generation will live as defined by Eustat.	years	EUSTAT	2016	251



4. QUALITY EDUCATION

TITLE	DEFINITION	UNIT	SOURCE	LAST FIGURE	MUNICIPALITIES
People with university studies	Percentage of people with university studies out of the total population aged 18 or over.	%	EUSTAT	2018	251
Women with university studies	Percentage of women with university studies out of the total population aged 18 or over.	%	EUSTAT	2018	251
Men with university studies	Percentage of men with university studies out of the total population aged 18 or over.	%	EUSTAT	2018	251
Implementation of the School Agenda 21 in the municipality	Schools of the municipality (publicly-run, direct grant and private) with School Agenda 21.	%	Local Council	2018	179
Students in centres with School Agenda 21 in the municipality	Percentage of students enrolled in schools of the municipality (publicly-run, direct grant and private) with School Agenda 21. Includes infant, primary, compulsory secondary, upper secondary education and vocational training.	%	Local Council	2018	189
Places in infant education from 0 to 3 years old	Number of places in infant education units at publicly-run centres per 100 inhabitants from 0 to 3 years.	number places/100 inhab. from 0 to 3 years	Local Council	2019	7



5. GENDER EQUALITY

TITLE	DEFINITION	UNIT	SOURCE	LAST FIGURE	MUNICIPALITIES
Average personal income	Total income of people aged 18 or over.	€	Eustat	2017	251
Average personal income of women	Total income of women aged 18 or over.	€	Eustat	2017	251
Average personal income of men	Total income of men aged 18 or over.	€	Eustat	2017	251
Percentage of women in the municipal council	Number of women making up the municipal council, compared to the total number of people making up the municipal council.	%	Local Council	2019	23
Municipal Equality Plans and coordination with the sustainability plans	Percentage of the consulted municipalities with an Equality Plan; and percentage of the consulted municipalities with an Equality Plan that say it is coordinated with the local sustainability plan.	%	Udalsarea 2030 survey	2019	32
Victims of violence against women	Number of victims of violence against women.	Number of victims	Local Council	2019	16



6. CLEAN WATER AND SANITATION

TITLE	DEFINITION	UNIT	SOURCE	LAST FIGURE	MUNICIPALITIES
Health status of the water fit for human consumption	Percentage of the population supplied with water fit for human consumption classified as SATISFACTORY, in other words, water classified as of drinking quality, at least, in 95% of the tests conducted.	%	Basque Government	2019	251
Housing of the municipality connected to the sanitation network that has adequate wastewater treatment systems	Percentage of housing units of the municipality connected to the sewage network.	%	Local supply authorities	2019	11
Housing units of the municipality not connected to the sewage systems but that have adequate wastewater treatment systems	Percentage of housing units of the municipality not connected to the mains sewage system, but whose wastewater is treated adequately (septic tank, systems with biological filter, total oxidation systems, natural treatment systems, etc.).	%	Local supply authorities	2019	10
Non-controlled water consumption (losses from the mains system and water not billed)	Losses from the mains system and water not billed.	%	Local supply authorities	2019	11
Household water consumption per inhabitant and day	Household water consumption per capita (mains supply) in litres per inhabitant and day.	litres/ inhabitant/ day	Local supply authorities	2019	14



7. AFFORDABLE AND CLEAN ENERGY

TITLE	DEFINITION	UNIT	SOURCE	LAST FIGURE	MUNICIPALITIES
Household electricity consumption per inhabitant and year	Household electricity consumption in kWh per inhabitant and year.	kWh/inhab./ year	Distribution company	2018	242
Production of renewable energies	Estimated total production of renewable energies in the municipality in kWh per inhabitant and year.	kWh/inhab./ year	EVE (Basque Energy Board)	2018	251
Energy efficiency in housing and buildings	Percentage of housing units/buildings with A, B or C energy efficiency certificates with respect to the total housing units/buildings with energy efficiency certificates.	%	EVE (Basque Energy Board)	2019	251



8. DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH

TITLE	DEFINITION	UNIT	SOURCE	LAST FIGURE	MUNICIPALITIES
GDP per capita	Gross Domestic Product of the municipality per inhabitant. It measures the wealth generated in a municipality by the productive factors (industry, trade, service companies, etc.) in euros.	€	Eustat	2017	251
People employed in establishments of the municipality	Total number of people employed full time in the establishments of the municipality, taking into account the number of new-hires, people leaving and remaining each year.	number of people employed full time	Eustat	2019	251
Unemployment rate	Percentage of the labour force unemployed.	%	Eustat	2018	251
Female unemployment rate	Percentage of the female labour force unemployed.	%	Eustat	2018	251
Male unemployment rate	Percentage of the male labour force unemployed.	%	Eustat	2018	251
Youth unemployment	Percentage of youths (between 16 and 24) unemployed with respect to the total unemployed in the municipality.	%	Eustat	2018	251



9. INDUSTRY, INNOVATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE

TITLE	DEFINITION	UNIT	SOURCE	LAST FIGURE	MUNICIPALITIES
Environmental management of non-municipal organisations	Number of environmental certificates in private companies, public institutions and other organisations not managed by the Local Council (EMAS, Ekoscan, ISO 14006, UNE 150301...).	number certificates	Ihobe	2019	251



10. REDUCE INEQUALITY

TITLE	DEFINITION	UNIT	SOURCE	LAST FIGURE	MUNICIPALITIES
Social housing stock	Percentage of housing classified as social (social housing VP) with respect to the total number of housing units of the municipality.	%	Etxebide	2018	30
Immigration rate	Relationship between the number of immigrants registered by 10,000 inhabitants.	number immigrants/ 10,000 inhabitants	Eustat	2018	244



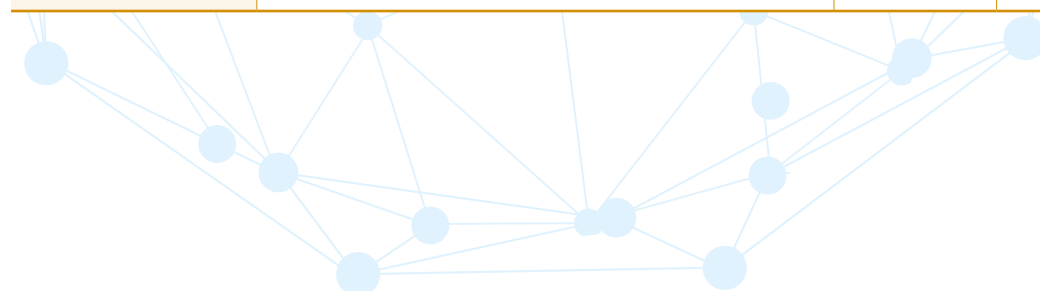
11. SUSTAINABLE CITIES AND COMMUNITIES

TITLE	DEFINITION	UNIT	SOURCE	LAST FIGURE	MUNICIPALITIES
Number of passengers who used urban buses	Each time that each passenger uses the urban bus is logged.	number passengers	Local Council	2019	7
Artificial surfaces	Percentage of artificial surfaces in relation to the total surface cover of the municipality.	%	Udalplan	2018	251
Intensity of use of residential land	Number of inhabitants on residential urban land per residential urban land surface cover. The population on residential surface cover is the total population less the dispersed population (living on land not classified as residential, as is the case of the farmsteads or small rural settlements). The calculation of the information on non-residential surface cover may be usually obtained from the municipal census data. If that does not allow the disseminated population to be differentiated and it is also estimated not to be very significant (approx. <5%), the total population can be compared to the population on residential surface cover, without significantly affecting the final result of the indicator.	inhabitants/ha residential land	Udalplan, Local Council	2018	34
Surface cover occupied by parks, gardens and urban green areas	Square metres of the municipality occupied by parks, gardens and public green areas per inhabitants.	m ² /inhabitant	Local Council	2019	18
Concentration of suspended particulates (PM ₁₀)	Annual average value of the concentration of suspended particulates (PM ₁₀) calculated as the total mass of particulates collected in the PM ₁₀ size range divided by the sampled air volume.	µg /m ³	Basque Government	2018	34
Concentration of fine suspended particulates (PM _{2.5})	Annual average value of the concentration of fine suspended particulates (PM _{2.5}) calculated as the total mass of particulates collected of 2.5 micras or less in diameter divided by the sampled air volume.	µg /m ³	Basque Government	2018	16
Concentration of NO ₂ (nitrogen dioxide)	Annual average value of NO ₂ concentration.	µg /m ³	Basque Government	2018	35
Number of times that the target ozone value for human protection is exceeded	Number of times that the target ozone value for human protection is exceeded. Daily maximum of the eight-hour running averages.	number times	Basque Government	2018	25
People with a degree of dependency in the municipality	Number of people with some degree of dependency in the municipality classified according to their dependency assessments by the provincial councils (Degree I, II or III) per 10,000 inhabitants.	number people/10,000 inhabitants	Provincial Council	2018	139
Places in residential care for older people	Number of places in residential care for older people per 10,000 inhabitants aged 65 or over.	number places/10,000 inhab. aged 65 or over	Provincial Council	2019	250
Places in day centres for older people	Number of places in day centres for older people per 10,000 inhabitants aged 65 or over.	number places/10,000 inhab. aged 65 or over	Provincial Council	2019	251



12. RESPONSIBLE CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION

TITLE	DEFINITION	UNIT	SOURCE	LAST FIGURE	MUNICIPALITIES
Education for sustainable development activities	Number of education for sustainable development activities led by or involving the local council or supramunicipal authority. Activities to do with environmental education, responsible consumption, solidarity-based and social economy, economy of the common good, socio-environmental justice, sustainable economic and social model, food sovereignty, energy sovereignty, education activities related to nature, biodiversity and coexistence, etc. shall be considered.	number activities	Local Council	2018	25
Participants in education for sustainable development activities	Participation in the education for sustainable development activities led by or involving the local council or supramunicipal authority.	number participants	Local Council	2018	17
Generation of commercial and household waste per inhabitant	Generation of commercial and household waste per inhabitant in kg per inhabitant and day.	kg/inhab./ day	Local Council. Association of local councils	2018	240
Separate collection rate of commercial and household waste	Percentage of commercial and household waste collected separately.	%	Local Council. Association of local councils	2018	211
Collection of commercial or household kitchen and food waste	Amount of commercial or household kitchen and food waste collected separately per inhabitant. Includes the waste in the household, industrial estate collection, etc. Does not include biowaste treated by means of individual or community composting. In the case of waste collection systems that may serve several municipalities, an estimate will be performed of the part corresponding to each municipality based on its number of inhabitants.	kg/inhab./ year	Local Council. Association of local councils	2018	226
Green public procurement: number of tendering processes with environmental clauses	Percentage of tendering processes which include environmental clauses compared to the total calls to tender published per year.	%	Local Council	2019	15
Green public procurement: amount of the tendering processes with environmental clauses	Percentage of the number of tendering processes which include environmental clauses compared to the total calls to tender per year.	%	Local Council	2019	12





13. CLIMATE ACTION

TITLE	DEFINITION	UNIT	SOURCE	LAST FIGURE	MUNICIPALITIES
Greenhouse gas emissions of the municipality per inhabitant and year (without industry and without primary sector)	Greenhouse gas emissions of the municipality (without industry or primary sector) Including emissions from the transport sector, residential sector, services sector and waste collection and treatment.	t CO ₂ e/ inhab./year	Local Council	2018	34
Local Council Carbon Footprint	Greenhouse gas emissions (GHG) of the Local Council.	t CO ₂ e/ inhab./year	Local Council	2018	31
Municipalities with approved Climate and Energy Plans or in the pipeline	The Climate and Energy Plans include mitigation and adaptation. Basque municipalities have been using this integrated approach since 2020. The municipalities have so far addressed mitigation and adaptation in differentiated plans.	No. municipalities	Udalsarea 2030	2019	251



14. LIFE BELOW WATER

TITLE	DEFINITION	UNIT	SOURCE	LAST FIGURE	MUNICIPALITIES
Quality of estuary water: environmental status. Station 1	Very Good (1), Good (2), Moderate (3), Poor (4) and Bad (5).	Index	URA	2018	21
Quality of coastal water: environmental status. Station 1	Very Good (1), Good (2), Moderate (3), Poor (4) and Bad (5).	Index	URA	2018	13



15. LIFE ON LAND

TITLE	DEFINITION	UNIT	SOURCE	LAST FIGURE	MUNICIPALITIES
Special protection areas with respect to the total surface area of the municipality	Percentage of protected areas with special protection status with respect to the total surface area of the municipality.	%	Udalplan	2018	251
Potentially contaminated soil	Land cover with potentially soil-contaminating activities or facilities (pursuant to Act 4/2015 of the Basque Government) with respect to the total useful surface area of the municipality.	%	lhobe	2018	245
Restoration of potentially contaminated soil	Land cover of potentially contaminated soil recovered for future uses that have involved excavating the site and/or during the restoration (m ²).	m ²	lhobe	2019	251



16. PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS

TITLE	DEFINITION	UNIT	SOURCE	LAST FIGURE	MUNICIPALITIES
Meetings of the in-person citizen participation mechanisms	Number of in-person citizen participation meetings organised by the different areas of the Local Council.	number meetings	Local Council	2019	18
Meetings of the in-person citizen participation mechanisms of the Local Agenda 21	Number of regular in-person municipal meetings linked to the Local Agenda 21 aimed at citizen participation.	number meetings	Local Council	2019	23
Participatory budgets	Annual municipal budget whose use has to be decided by means of municipal participatory budget processes.	€	Local Council	2019	10



17. PARTNERSHIPS TO ACHIEVE THE GOALS

TITLE	DEFINITION	UNIT	SOURCE	LAST FIGURE	MUNICIPALITIES
Number of sustainable development indicators calculated by municipalities	Number of sustainable development indicators calculated by Udalsarea 2030 local councils.	Number of indicators	Udalsarea 2030	2019	64
Municipal budget allocated to international development cooperation	Percentage of the annual municipal budget allocated to international development cooperation, with respect to the annual municipal budget.	%	Local Council	2019	16
Number of sustainable development related networks and alliances in which the municipality participates	Number of sustainable development related networks and alliances in which the municipality participates.	Number of alliances	Local Council	2019	21



18. CULTURAL AND LINGUISTIC DIVERSITY

TITLE	DEFINITION	UNIT	SOURCE	LAST FIGURE	MUNICIPALITIES
Knowledge of the Basque Language	Percentage of people who speak Basque well or quite well, more specifically, if they are able to hold a conversation in Basque.	%	Eustat	2016	251
Municipal Basque language plans and coordination with the sustainability plans	Percentage of the consulted municipalities with a Basque language plan; and percentage of the consulted municipalities with a Basque language plan that say it is coordinated with the local sustainability plan.	%	Udalsarea 2030 survey	2019	32

N.B. 2015 indicator data presented in this 2nd Report may not coincide in some cases with that given in the 1st Report published in 2018. This may be down to two reasons: that the calculation method has changed or that more municipalities have calculated the indicator over this period and the average can therefore vary.

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Contribution of Basque Municipalities to the Sustainable Development Goals



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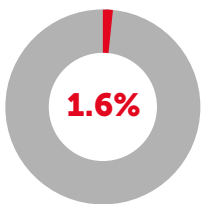
NO POVERTY

This goal and its targets seek to **end its poverty in all its forms and worldwide.**

Some of the aspects addressed by this goal relate to **extreme poverty, general poverty and vulnerability, social protection**, the right to **economic resources** and access to **basic services**, and **resilience** of poor and vulnerable people to **extreme phenomena** related to the **climate** and other **economic, social and environmental** disasters.

LOCAL TARGETS: 1.1 1.2 1.3 1.4 1.5

INTERVENTION OF BASQUE MUNICIPALITIES



PLANNING

51 actions

of 3,122 (1.6%) are associated to **SDG 1 - NO POVERTY**



IMPLEMENTATION

The percentage of actions carried out is

49%

25 out of the 51 actions being completed

EXAMPLE OF ACTIONS CARRIED OUT IN BASQUE MUNICIPALITIES

Interdepartmental committee led by the Social Intervention Area

Alegría-Dulantzi ARABA



Systematisation of the coordinator action of the social-healthcare providers and other social intervention stakeholders such as the police and education

Amurrio ARABA

Results

Average value of the indicators

2015

2016

2017

2018

2019

Data No.
municipalities

1 Poverty and social exclusion

-

22

21


20

-

193

% inhabitants

Beneficiaries of the Minimum Income Scheme, per thousand inhabitants

18	<1,000	
19	1,001-5,000	
20	5,001-15,000	
23	15,001-40,000	
30	>40,001	

2 Poverty level - Recipients of Emergency Social Assistance

7.3

8.0

8.1


8.4

-

251

% inhabitants

Percentage of families of the municipality who receive Emergency Social Assistance

6.0	<1,000	
8.8	1,001-5,000	
10.8	5,001-15,000	
10.9	15,001-40,000	
13.5	>40,001	



Sheltered accommodation for social emergencies

Arratia (SUPRAMUNICIPAL PLAN)

BIZKAIA

Consolidate the services to keep older people in their homes and their social-family environment

Azpeitia GIPUZKOA



2



ZERO HUNGER

This goal and its targets seek to **end hunger, achieve food security and improve nutrition and promote sustainable agriculture.**

Some of the aspects addressed by this goal relate to **ending hunger and malnutrition, healthy, nutritive and sufficient food, agricultural production, small-scale production of food, resilient farming practices** maintaining the **ecosystems** and strengthening **the capacity to adapt to climate change**, the **sustainability of the food production systems, seed banks**, and the **genetic diversity of seeds.**

LOCAL TARGETS: 2.3 2.4 2.5

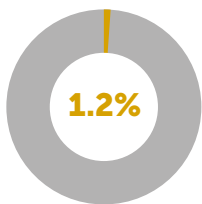
EXAMPLE OF ACTIONS CARRIED OUT IN BASQUE MUNICIPALITIES

Partnership agreement between Caritas charity, Food Bank and the Local Council

Etxebarri BIZKAIA



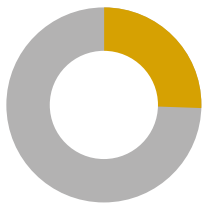
INTERVENTION OF BASQUE MUNICIPALITIES



PLANNING

39 actions

of 3,122 (1.2%) are associated to **SDG 2 - ZERO HUNGER**



IMPLEMENTATION

The percentage of actions carried out is

25.6%

10 out of the 39 actions being completed

Muskiz Agricultural Fair

Muskiz BIZKAIA

Promoting and fostering sustainable agricultural production

Zumarraga GIPUZKOA

Results

Average value of the indicators

2015

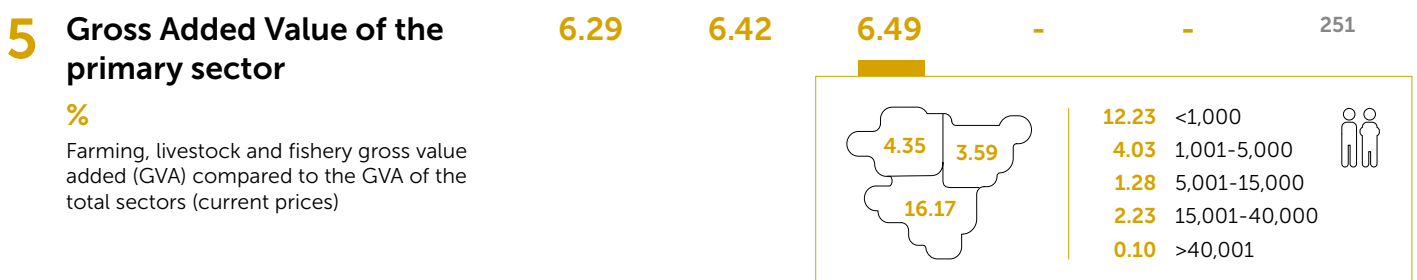
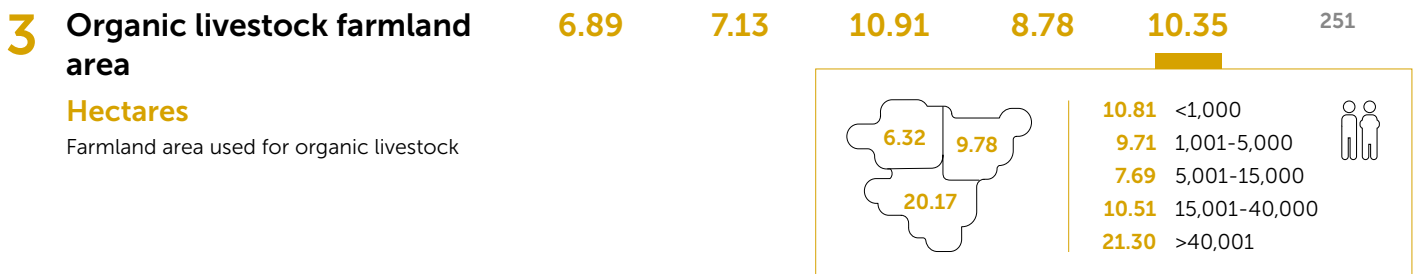
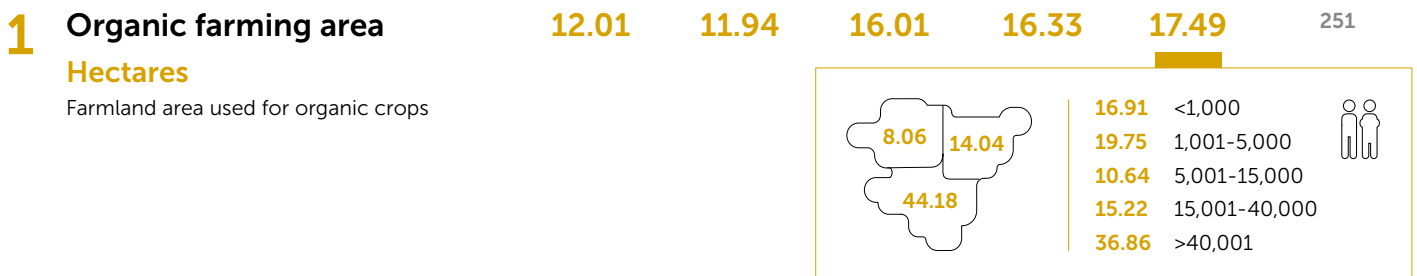
2016

2017

2018

2019

Data No.
municipalities



3



HEALTH AND WELL-BEING

This goal and its targets seek to **ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages.**

Some of the aspects addressed by this goal relate to ending maternal and neonatal mortality, the ending of epidemics such as AIDS, hepatitis and **water-borne diseases**, preventing and treating **addictive substance abuse**, reduce deaths and injuries from **road traffic accidents**, universal health cover, **sexual and reproductive health**, access to medicines and vaccines, reducing the number of deaths and illnesses from **hazardous chemicals and air, water and soil pollution and contamination.**

LOCAL TARGETS: 3.4 3.6 3.7 3.9

EXAMPLE OF ACTIONS CARRIED OUT IN BASQUE MUNICIPALITIES

Creating car parks in the main mobility hubs to foster intermodality and as deterrents in the periphery (action included in the Sustainable Energy Action Plan, PAES)

Amurrio ARABA

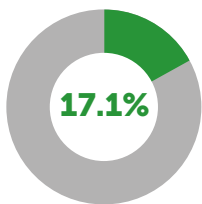
Analysing the new sports trends in recent years so that the sports available in Azpeitia adjust to those trends

Azpeitia GIPUZKOA

Identifying the areas where the noise quality targets are exceeded and implementing improvement measures

Basauri BIZKAIA

INTERVENTION OF BASQUE MUNICIPALITIES



PLANNING
535 actions
of 3,122 (17.1%) are associated to **SDG 3 - HEALTH AND WELL-BEING**



IMPLEMENTATION
The percentage of actions carried out is **30.5%**
163 out of the 535 actions being completed





Developing the cycle network in the municipality and assuming the commitment acquired with the Uribe Kosta Supramunicipal Cycling Plan

Berango BIZKAIA

Safe pedestrian route network

Etxebarri BIZKAIA

"Walking-to-school" project with the municipality's schools

Etxebarri BIZKAIA



Promoting social and cultural actions that foster the active ageing of the municipality's older people

Iruraiz-Gauna ARABA

Assessing the results of the 1st Municipal Prevention of Drug Addiction Plan and drafting the 2nd Plan

Muskiz BIZKAIA

Public grants for installing lifts and works that eliminate architectural barriers

Santurtzi BIZKAIA

Working with stakeholders on regulating parking for people with reduced mobility

Urretxu GIPUZKOA



Results

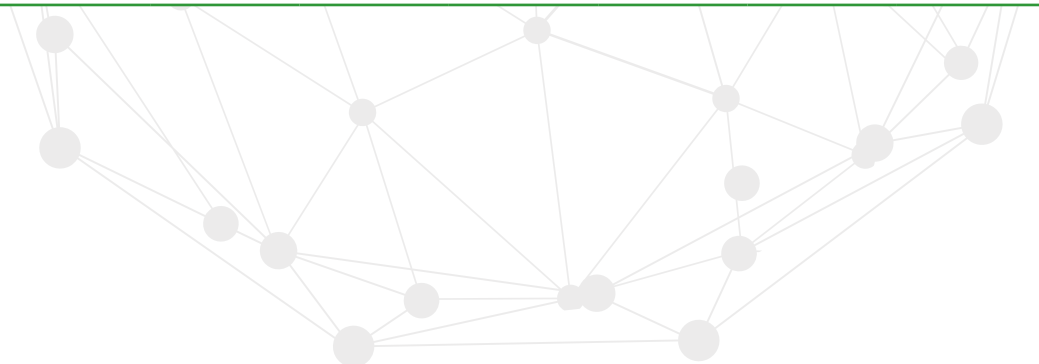
Average value of the indicators

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	Data No. municipalities
1 Air Quality Index %	99.4	99.4	99.5	99.6	-	41
Percentage of days per year with "very good" or "good" or "improvable" air quality						
2 Pedestrian use surface %	0.50	0.51	0.46	0.46	-	19
Percentage of pedestrian use surface out of the total surface area of the municipality						
3 Bidegorris or bike lane network km/10,000 inhabitants	5.7	5.4	6.1	6.9	11	18
Length of specific lanes for interurban and urban bikes to use in the municipality						
4 Road traffic injuries %	-	-	-	-	22	251
Percentage of road traffic victims (fatalities, serious injuries and slight injuries) out of the total number of people involved in traffic accidents						

Results

Average value of the indicators

	2011	2016	Data No. municipalities
5 Life expectancy of women years	85	86	251
Average number of years that a woman of a generation will live as defined by Eustat			
6 Life expectancy of men years	79	80	251
Average number of years that a man of a generation will live as defined by Eustat			



4



QUALITY EDUCATION

This goal and its targets seek to **ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all.**

Some of the aspects addressed by this goal relate to **free, equitable and quality education**, equal access to **higher education**, **education for sustainable development**, **appropriate educational facilities for people with disabilities**, **safe, non-violent, inclusive and effective learning environments.**

LOCAL TARGETS: 4.2 4.3 4.4 4.5
4.6 4.7

EXAMPLE OF ACTIONS CARRIED OUT IN BASQUE MUNICIPALITIES

Fostering the School Agenda 21 and joint work with the School Agenda 21

Amurrio ARABA

Orienting vocational training demand to the areas and/or specialities with greater openings in the valley

Azpeitia GIPUZKOA



INTERVENTION OF BASQUE MUNICIPALITIES



PLANNING

184 actions

of 3,122 (5.9%) are associated to **SDG 4 - QUALITY EDUCATION**



IMPLEMENTATION

The percentage of actions carried out is

49.5%

91 out of the 184 actions being completed



Offer of municipal premises to youth, sports and cultural groups, and fitting them out and improving them in accordance with the needs

Berango BIZKAIA

Disseminating *Zuztarretik Ahora*, the website showcasing the cultural, ethnographic and linguistic heritage of Nerbioi-Ibaizabal

Ugao-Miraballes BIZKAIA

Intensifying efforts in the organisation of coordinated cultural programmes between the local authority and the different social groups for the different sectors of the population

Ugao-Miraballes BIZKAIA



Enhancing the local history interpretation centre in coordination with other municipalities of the supramunicipal region

Ugao-Miraballes BIZKAIA

Municipal school support service

Zaratamo BIZKAIA

Results

Average value of the indicators

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	Data No. municipalities
1 People with university studies % Percentage of people with university studies out of the total population aged 18 or over on the 1 January of the year in question	18	19	19	19	-	251
2 Women with university studies % Percentage of women with university studies out of the total female population aged 18 or over on the 1 January of the year in question	22	23	23	23	-	251
3 Men with university studies % Percentage of men with university studies out of the total male population aged 18 or over on the 1 January of the year in question	15	16	15	15	-	251
4 Implementation of the School Agenda 21 in the municipality % Percentage of schools of the municipality (publicly-run, direct grant and private) with School Agenda 21	33	33	34	51	-	179
5 Students in centres with School Agenda 21 in the municipality % Percentage of students enrolled in centres of the municipality (publicly-run, direct grant and private) with School Agenda 21	42.75	42.94	44.48	43.21	-	189
6 Infant education units per 100 inhabitants aged 0 to 3 years old No. places/100 inhab. from 0 to 3 years Number of first cycle of infant education units per 100 inhabitants aged 0 to 3 years old in the municipality	40	52	54	67	60	7

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GENDER EQUALITY

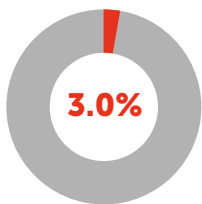


This goal and its targets seek to **achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls.**

Some of the aspects addressed by this goal relate to **ending all forms of discrimination against all women and girls, recognition of unpaid care and domestic work, shared responsibility, equal opportunities, full and effective participation and equal opportunities for leadership at all levels of decision-making in political, economic and public life, reproductive rights, equal rights to economic resources, access to land, other assets and property.**

LOCAL TARGETS: 5.1 5.2 5.4 5.5

INTERVENTION OF BASQUE MUNICIPALITIES



PLANNING
93 actions
of 3,122 (3%) are associated to **SDG 5 - GENDER EQUALITY**



IMPLEMENTATION
The percentage of actions carried out is **38.7%**
36 out of the 93 actions being completed

EXAMPLE OF ACTIONS CARRIED OUT IN BASQUE MUNICIPALITIES

Comprehensive care in situations of violence and, in particular, for women victims

Abanto and Ciérvana - Abanto Zierbena BIZKAIA

Preparing a new Equality Plan

Amurrio ARABA

Incorporation of the gender perspective in all the activities led by the Association of Local Councils

Berango BIZKAIA

Creating stable reflection and training spaces, as a strategy for empowerment

Muskiz BIZKAIA

Deploying actions to encourage women in sport

Urretxu GIPUZKOA

Fostering an active women's association network

Zierbena BIZKAIA



Results

Average value of the indicators

2015

2016

2017

2018

2019

Data No.
municipalities

1	Average personal income	20,279	20,431	21,243	-	-	251
	€						
	Total income of people aged 18 or over						

2	Average personal income of women	16,576	15,313	15,963	-	-	251
	€						
	Total income of women aged 18 or over						

3	Average personal income of men	25,096	25,361	26,378	-	-	251
	€						
	Total income of men aged 18 or over						

4	Percentage of seats held by women in local governments	39	43	43	44	46	23
	%						

According to the Spanish Statistical Office-INE, after the 2019 regional elections, the average percentage of the regional parliaments in the Spanish State is 46.2%. The Basque Country and Navarra are the two Autonomous Community that reach or exceed 50% participation.

In the Basque Country, 30% of the mayoral offices are held by women and 70% by men

5	Municipal Equality Plans and coordination with the sustainability plans	86	-	-	87,5	-	32
	%	(35 municipalities)					
	Percentage of the consulted municipalities with an Equality Plan; and percentage of the consulted municipalities with an Equality Plan reporting it is coordinated with the local sustainability plan						

53% of them are coordinated with the local sustainability plan

6	Gender violence	-	83	63	70	56	16
	No. Victims						
	Average number of victims of violence against women						

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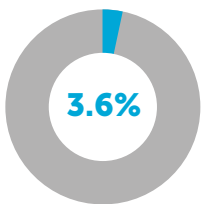
CLEAN WATER AND SANITATION

This goal and its targets seek to **ensure availability and sustainable management of water and sanitation for all.**

Some of the aspects addressed by this goal relate to **universal and equitable access to safe and affordable drinking water, access to sanitation and hygiene services, quality of the water by reducing pollution and the proportion of untreated wastewater, efficient use of water resources, integrated management, protection of water-related ecosystems and engagement of local communities in improving water and sanitation management.**

LOCAL TARGETS: 6.1 6.2 6.3 6.4
6.5 6.6 6.b

INTERVENTION OF BASQUE MUNICIPALITIES



PLANNING

113 actions

of 3,122 (3.6%) are associated to **SDG 6 - CLEAN WATER AND SANITATION**



IMPLEMENTATION

The percentage of actions carried out is

30%

34 out of the 113 actions being completed

EXAMPLE OF ACTIONS CARRIED OUT IN BASQUE MUNICIPALITIES

Good practices in sustainable management of the water cycle to the Administrative Boards

Amurrio ARABA



Increasing the amount of non-drinking water for uses where that is allowed

Donostia-San Sebastián

GIPUZKOA

Studying the introduction of a pricing system based on consumption

Ordizia GIPUZKOA

Controlling and reducing non-metered consumption and water losses from the mains

Ugao-Miraballes BIZKAIA

Appropriate treatment of wastewater from remote isolated dwelling

Zierbena BIZKAIA

Results

Average value of the indicators

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	Data No. municipalities
1 Health status of the water fit for human consumption % Percentage of the population supplied with water fit for human consumption classified as SATISFACTORY, in other words, water classified as drinking, at least, in 95% of the tests conducted	96.4	98.5	99.3	98.4	99.1	251
2 Housing of the municipality connected to the sanitation network that has adequate wastewater treatment systems % Percentage of the housing units of the municipality connected to the sanitation network that have adequate wastewater treatment systems, with respect to the total number of housing units	88.4	84.3	82.0	84.4	86.5	11
3 Housing units of the municipality not connected to the sewage systems but that have adequate wastewater treatment systems % Percentage of the housing units of the municipality not connected to the sanitation network, but which have adequate wastewater treatment systems, with respect to the total number of housing units	3.3	5.6	4.7	4.4	4.6	10
4 Uncontrolled water consumption % Percentage of the difference between the volume of bulk water distributed and the volume of water metered in the mains water distributed with respect to the total bulk water distributed	26	25	22	22	22	11
5 Household water consumption per inhabitant and day litres/inhab./day Household water consumption per capita (mains supply) in litres per inhabitant and day	115.5	115.3	108.7	109.5	96.4	14

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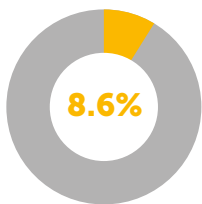
AFFORDABLE AND CLEAN ENERGY

This goal and its targets seek to ensure access to affordable, reliable, sustainable and modern energy for all.

Some of the aspects addressed by this goal relate to universal access to affordable, reliable and modern energy services, the increase of the share of renewable energy, energy efficiency, research and the promotion of investment in energy infrastructure and clean energy technology.

LOCAL TARGETS: 7.1 7.2 7.3

INTERVENTION OF BASQUE MUNICIPALITIES



PLANNING

269 actions

of 3,122 (8.6%) are associated to **SDG 7 - AFFORDABLE AND CLEAN ENERGY**



IMPLEMENTATION

The percentage of actions carried out is

25.3%

68 out of the 269 actions being completed

EXAMPLE OF ACTIONS CARRIED OUT IN BASQUE MUNICIPALITIES

Prioritising the purchasing of green energy by the Local Council

Abanto and Ciérvana - Abanto Zierbena BIZKAIA



Implementing the actions proposed in the public lighting energy audit to increase energy efficiency and reduce light pollution

Alegría-Dulantzi ARABA

Incentivising the purchase of energy efficient vehicles

Berango BIZKAIA

Results

Average value of the indicators

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	Data No. municipalities
1 Household electricity consumption per inhabitant and year kWh/inhab./year Annual household electricity consumption calculated in kWh per inhabitant	1,318	1,286	1,292	1,292	-	242
2 Production of renewable energies kWh/inhab./year Annual estimated total production of renewable energies in the municipality, calculated in kWh per inhabitant	2,493	2,565	2,557	2,453	-	251
3 Energy efficiency in housing and buildings % Percentage of the number of housing units/buildings with A, B or C energy efficiency certificates with respect to the total housing units/buildings with energy efficiency certificates	8.5	8.5	7.7	6.8	7.6	251

Pilot energy upgrade study in the Amara and Bidebieta neighbourhoods

Donostia-San Sebastián

GIPUZKOA

Advisory services and grants to foster renewables and bioclimatic construction

Gamiz-Fika

BIZKAIA

Implementing accounting, audit, and energy savings and efficiency in municipal facilities

Zierbena

BIZKAIA



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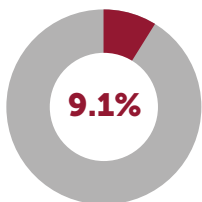
DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH

This goal and its targets seek to **promote sustained, inclusive and sustainable economic growth, full and productive employment and decent work for all.**

Some of the aspects addressed by this goal relate to **economic growth, the diversification, technological upgrading and innovation, decent work, full and productive employment, entrepreneurship, fostering micro-companies and SMEs, work related to sustainable tourism and local production, labour rights and safe working environments youth employment, equal opportunities and pay, strengthening financial institutions, and uncoupling economic growth from the degradation of the environment.**

LOCAL TARGETS: 8.1 8.2 8.3 8.4
8.5 8.6 8.9

INTERVENTION OF BASQUE MUNICIPALITIES



PLANNING

286 actions

of 3,122 (9.1%) are associated to **SDG 8 - DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH**



IMPLEMENTATION

The percentage of actions carried out is

34.6%

99 out of the 286 actions being completed

EXAMPLE OF ACTIONS CARRIED OUT IN BASQUE MUNICIPALITIES

Starting up a business incubator

Abanto and Ciérvana - Abanto Zierbena BIZKAIA

Driving business activity in the tourist sector by developing the economic and employment partner potential of the tourism sector

Eibar GIPUZKOA

Fostering the launch of the Traders Association website

Etxebarri BIZKAIA

Implementing the Annual Youth and Employment Programme

Igorre BIZKAIA

Showcasing the Roman, mining and natural heritage of Irún, by means of promoting the nature interpretation centre, Oiasso Museum, etc

Irún GIPUZKOA

Implementing a Commercial Revitalisation Plan (PERCO)

Legazpi GIPUZKOA

Grants for training the unemployed or for better jobs

Muskiz BIZKAIA

Results

Average value of the indicators

2015




2016

2017

2018

2019

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municipalities

1	GDP per capita € Gross Domestic Product of the municipality, calculated in euros per inhabitant and year	37,675	39,513	40,875	-	-	251											
2	People employed in establishments of the municipality number of people employed full time Total number of people employed full time in the establishments of the municipality, taking into account the number of new-hires, people leaving and remaining each year	3,398	3,385	3,464	3,544	3,633	251											
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3	Unemployment rate % Percentage of the labour force unemployed	13.7	12.6	7.6	9.7	-	251											
4	Female unemployment rate % Percentage of the female labour force unemployed	14.1	14.0	8.9	11.6	-	251											
5	Male unemployment rate % Percentage of the male labour force unemployed	13.4	11.4	6.0	8.2	-	251											
6	Youth unemployment % Percentage of labour force unemployed aged 16 to 24	8.6	8.7	-	6.6	-	251											



Supporting the supramunicipal career guidance and mediation service in coordination with the supramunicipal companies

Uribe Kosta (SUPRAMUNICIPAL PLAN)

BIZKAIA

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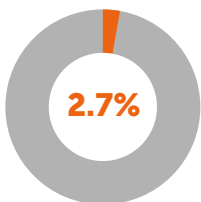
INDUSTRY, INNOVATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE

This goal and its targets seek to **build resilient infrastructure, promote inclusive and sustainable industrialisation and foster innovation.**

Some of the aspects addressed by this target relate to **quality, reliable, sustainable and resilient infrastructures, inclusive and sustainable industrialisation**, access of **small-scale industrial and other enterprises** to financial services, **clean and environmentally sound industrial processes, scientific research** and upgrading the **technological capabilities**, and **universal access to ICTs.**

LOCAL TARGETS: 9.3 9.4

INTERVENTION OF BASQUE MUNICIPALITIES



PLANNING

86 actions

of 3,122 (2.7%) are associated to **SDG 9- INDUSTRY, INNOVATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE**



IMPLEMENTATION

The percentage of actions carried out is

23.3%

20 out of the 86 actions being completed

EXAMPLE OF ACTIONS CARRIED OUT IN BASQUE MUNICIPALITIES

Better control of activities by means of improving the database and monitoring cases

Abanto and Ciérvana - Abanto Zierbena BIZKAIA

Introducing an “eco-industrial park” model that aims to complete the material cycle and to make internal processes efficient

Amurrio ARABA



Results

Average value of the indicators

2015

2016

2017

2018

2019

Data No.
municipalities

1 Organisations with environmental certification

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153

251

No. certificates

Companies with environmental management certificates: EMAS, Ekoscan, Ecodesign: ISO 14006, UNE 150.301
(aggregated figure)

30 in Bilbao
19 in Vitoria-Gasteiz
18 in Donostia/San Sebastián



Local council led initiative for all the villages and towns of the municipality have access to internet, DTT and telephone

Iruraiz-Gauna ARABA

Working on implementing Environmental Management Systems to improve environmental management in industrial activity

Ordizia GIPUZKOA

10



REDUCE INEQUALITY

This goal and its targets seek to **reduce inequality within and among countries.**

Some of the aspects addressed by this goal relate to promoting the **social, economic and political inclusion of all, equal opportunity**, fiscal, wage and social protection policies for **equality**, facilitate **orderly migration and mobility**, **official development assistance**, regulation and monitoring of global markets and institutions.

LOCAL TARGETS: 10.2 10.3 10.4 10.7

EXAMPLE OF ACTIONS CARRIED OUT IN BASQUE MUNICIPALITIES

Participation in the Taller Gallarreta (workshop for insertion of people with disabilities)

Abanto and Ciérvana - Abanto Zierbena BIZKAIA

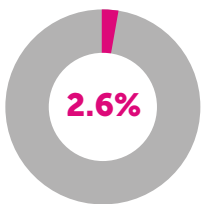
Social exclusion situations (young people, 3rd age, women, etc.) pinpointed

Aduna GIPUZKOA

Deployment of social housing and public housing schemes (diversified in spaces), fostering the implementation of rental public housing

Azpeitia GIPUZKOA

INTERVENTION OF BASQUE MUNICIPALITIES



PLANNING

81 actions

of 3,122 (2.6%) are associated to **SDG 10 - REDUCE INEQUALITIES**

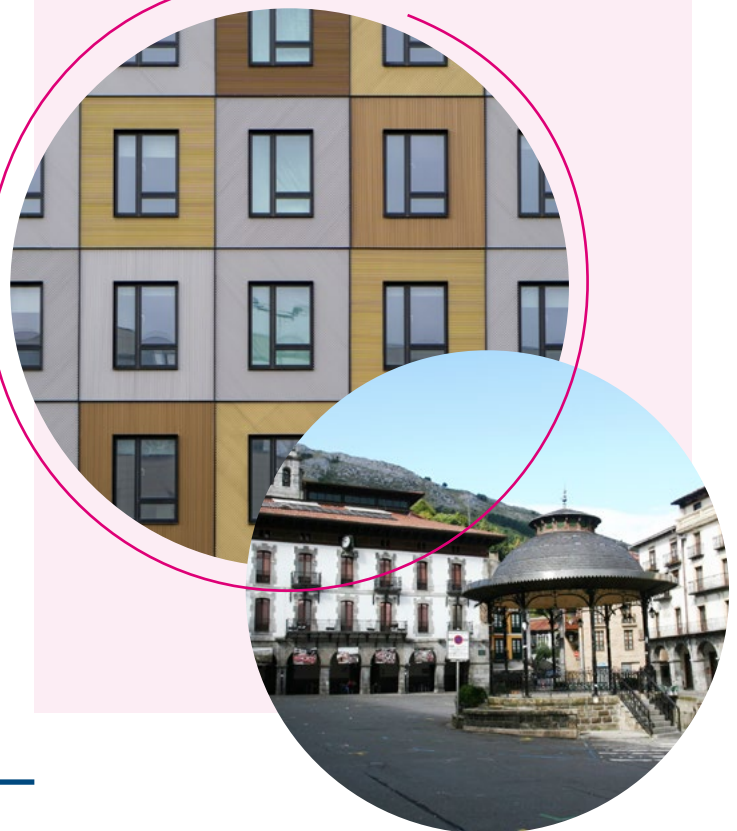


IMPLEMENTATION

The percentage of actions carried out is

33.3%

27 out of the 81 actions being completed



Results

Average value of the indicators

2015

2016

2017


2018

2019

Data No.
municipalities

1	Social housing stock %	7.3	4.7	6.5	4.5	-	30
	Percentage of housing classified as social housing with respect to the total number of housing units of the municipality						

2	Immigration rate No. of registered immigrants/10,000 inhab.	13.4	17.5	15.8	17.2	-	244
	Relationship between the number of immigrants registered per 10,000 inhabitants						

16.7	<1,000	
17.6	1,001-5,000	
16.0	5,001-15,000	
17.9	15,001-40,000	
22.1	>40,001	

Driving the setting up of social-educational spaces to protect vulnerable or abused children

Zumarraga GIPUZKOA

Driving the setting up of social-employment spaces to foster the social-employment inclusion and insertion of the socially excluded or at risk of exclusion

Zumarraga GIPUZKOA



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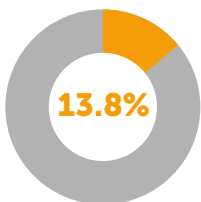
SUSTAINABLE CITIES AND COMMUNITIES

This goal and its targets seek to **make cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable.**

Some of the aspects addressed by this goal relate to **access to adequate, safe and affordable, housing and basic services**, adequate and sustainable **transport** systems, **inclusive and sustainable urban development, protection of the** cultural and natural **heritage**, deaths caused by disasters, the **environmental impact** of the cities, **air quality, waste**, universal access to **safe, inclusive and accessible green and public spaces**, **environmental, social and economic links between rural, peri-urban and urban areas**, **integrated planning in sustainability and climate change of the cities.**

LOCAL TARGETS: 11.1 11.2 11.3 11.4
11.5 11.6 11.7 11.a 11.b

INTERVENTION OF BASQUE MUNICIPALITIES



PLANNING

433 actions

of 3,122 (13.8%) are associated to **SDG 11 - SUSTAINABLE CITIES AND COMMUNITIES**



IMPLEMENTATION

The percentage of actions carried out is

28.8%

125 out of the 433 actions being completed

EXAMPLE OF ACTIONS CARRIED OUT IN BASQUE MUNICIPALITIES

Providing infrastructures and services to meet the basic needs of the scattered rural settlements and districts

Azpeitia GIPUZKOA

Study to establish the characteristics of the municipality's housing stock

Beasain GIPUZKOA

Providing access to organic allotment in conjunction with the associative movement

Etxebarri BIZKAIA





Working on identifying and recovering the cultural and architectural heritage

Gernika-Lumo BIZKAIA

Creating more leisure areas and parks for the municipality's residents

Santurtzi BIZKAIA



Setting up municipal hostels and canteens for the needy

Santurtzi BIZKAIA

Developing policies to give impetus to the sale of empty housing units

Ugao-Miraballes BIZKAIA

Equal participation for citizen in the public space

Urretxu GIPUZKOA

Reviewing the municipal urban development plan, including sustainability criteria as the strategic priority and planning and management measures for the conservation of endangered species

Zierbena BIZKAIA

Increasing safety devices in more remote and/or unprotected areas to create a safer environment

Zierbena BIZKAIA

Involvement in the deployment of the Basque Government's Alto Urola air quality plan

Zumarraga GIPUZKOA



Results

Average value of the indicators

2015

2016

2017

2018

2019

Data No.
municipalities

1	Number of passengers who used urban buses	5,815,274	4,135,707	4,449,888	5,055,949	3,601,672	7
	<p>No. journeys</p> <p>Each time that each passenger uses the urban bus is logged</p>						
2	Artificial surfaces	11.0	10.8	10.8	10.9	-	251
	<p>%</p> <p>Percentage of artificial surfaces in relation to the total surface cover of the municipality</p>						
3	Intensity of use of residential land	147.5	150	145.5	139.5	-	34
	<p>No. of inhabitants/ha residential land</p> <p>Number of inhabitants on residential urban land per residential urban land cover</p>						
4	Surface cover occupied by parks, gardens and urban green areas	16.5	16.6	16.5	13.8	17.4	18
	<p>m²/hab.</p> <p>Square metres of the municipality occupied by parks, gardens and public green areas per inhabitants.</p>						
5	Concentration of suspended particulates PM₁₀	18.7	15.4	16.4	15.2	-	34
	<p>µg/m³</p> <p>Annual average value of the concentration of suspended particulates PM₁₀ calculated as the total mass of particulates collected in the PM₁₀ size range divided by the sampled air volume</p>						<p>The recommended limit value by the WHO is 20 µg/m³</p>



Results

Average value of the indicators

2015

2016

2017

2018

2019

Data No.
municipalities

6 Concentration of suspended particulates PM_{2.5} **9.9** **8.1** **9.4** **8.8** **-** **16**

µg/m³

Annual average value of the concentration of fine suspended particulates PM_{2.5} calculated as the total mass of particulates collected of 2.5 micras or less in diameter divided by the sampled air volume

The recommended limit value by the WHO is **10 µg/m³**
According to the United Nations **only 40% of the population in Europe live in areas that meet this value**

7 NO₂ concentration **21.5** **17.7** **19.5** **17.0** **-** **35**

µg/m³

Annual average value of NO₂ (nitrogen dioxide) concentration

The recommended limit value by the WHO is **40 µg/m³**

8 Number of times that the target value for human protection in ozone exceeded **4** **5** **6** **6** **-** **25**

No. times

Daily maximum of the eight-hour running averages

9 People with a degree of dependency in the municipality **411** **439** **452** **450** **-** **139**

No. people/10,000 inhab.

Number of people with some degree of dependency in the municipality classified in their dependency assessments by the provincial councils (Degree I, II and III) per 10,000 inhabitants

10 Places in residential care for older people **479** **525** **530** **481** **472** **250**

No. of places/10,000 inhab. aged 65 or over

Number of places in residential care for older people per 10,000 inhabitants over 65

11 Places in day centres for older people **111** **122** **122** **104** **108** **251**

No. of places/10,000 inhab. aged 65 or over

Number of places in day centres for older people per 10,000 inhabitants over 65

95 <1,000
121 1,001-5,000
131 5,001-15,000
95 15,001-40,000
80 >40,001



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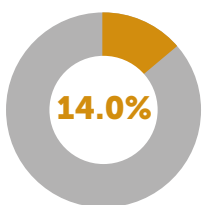
RESPONSIBLE CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION

This goal and its targets seek to ensure sustainable consumption and production patterns.

Some of the aspects addressed by this goal relate to sustainable consumption and production, sustainable management and efficient use of natural resources, food waste, sound management throughout the life cycle of the product, reducing chemical particulates released to air, water and soil, waste prevention, recycling and reuse, sustainable practices in companies and preparing reports, access to environmental information, sustainable public procurement, sustainable lifestyles, and the rationalisation of inefficient of fossil-fuel subsidies.

LOCAL TARGETS: 12.1 12.2 12.3 12.4
12.5 12.6 12.7 12.8

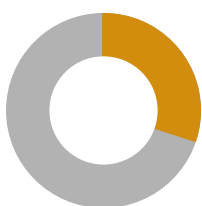
INTERVENTION OF BASQUE MUNICIPALITIES



PLANNING

436 actions

of 3,122 (14%) are associated to **SDG 12 - RESPONSIBLE CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION**



IMPLEMENTATION

The percentage of actions carried out is

30%

131 out of the 436 actions being completed

EXAMPLE OF ACTIONS CARRIED OUT IN BASQUE MUNICIPALITIES

Guide on managing construction and demolition waste (CDW)

Amurrio ARABA



Organising farmers' markets selling locally-sourced produce aimed at cutting the ecological footprint

Amurrio ARABA

Deploying ICT platform for the efficient management of the urban waste collection service

Arrankudiaga BIZKAIA



Sending surplus food from stores and establishments to charity institutions

Azpeitia GIPUZKOA

Promoting an agri-food or food sovereignty strategy

Donostia-San Sebastián GIPUZKOA

Implementing mini-recycling points and multi-use containers in the municipality to collect any small domestic waste provided that it can be reused or recycled

Eibar GIPUZKOA

Improving the provision and location for waste separation containers

Gamiz-Fika BIZKAIA



Supramunicipal green public procurement service

Nerbioi Ibaizabal (SUPRAMUNICIPAL PLAN) BIZKAIA

Awareness-raising and training activities that help to minimise waste and encourage separate collection of waste and recycling

Zierbena BIZKAIA

Results

Average value of the indicators

2015

2016

2017

2018

2019

Data No.
municipalities

1 Education for sustainable development activities 12 29 46 39 - 25

No. activities

Number of education for sustainable development activities led by or involving the local council or supramunicipal authority

2 Participants in education for sustainable development activities 3,341 5,611 5,795 6,462 - 17

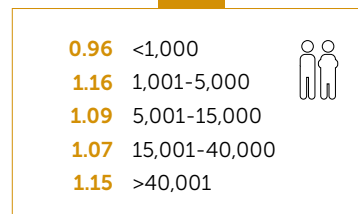
No. participants

Number of participants in the education for sustainable development activities led by or involving the local council or supramunicipal authority

3 Generation of commercial and household waste per inhabitant 1.18 1.16 1.11 1.06 - 240

kg/inhab./day

Generation of commercial and household waste in kg per inhabitant and day



4 Separate collection rate of commercial and household waste 40 39 40 38 - 211

%

Percentage of commercial and household waste collected separately



The European Union has set the target of 60% of municipal waste being prepared for reuse or recycling by 2030

5 Collection of household or commercial kitchen and food waste 32.1 26.6 18.6 20.6 - 226

kg/inhab./year

Annual amount of commercial or household kitchen and food waste collected separately per inhabitant

Results

Average value of the indicators

2015

2016

2017

2018

2019

Data No.
municipalities

6 Green public procurement: number of tendering processes with environmental clauses

18.6

23.6

21.7

31.8

44.1

15

The European Union has set the target of 50% of tendering processes including environmental clauses

%

Percentage of tendering processes which include environmental clauses compared to the total calls to tender published per year

7 Green public procurement: amount of the tendering processes with environmental clauses

28.5

35.5

33.8

40.6

61.5

12

%

Percentage of the amount of the tendering processes which include environmental clauses compared to the total calls to tender published per year



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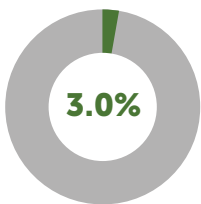
CLIMATE ACTION

This goal and its targets seek to **take urgent action to combat climate change and its impacts.**

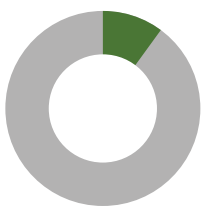
Some of the aspects addressed by this goal relate to **mitigation, resilience and adaptive capacity to climate change**, by means of **planning, design of strategies and plans, education and awareness-raising, reducing effects and early warning**, in terms of compliance of the **United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change.**

LOCAL TARGETS: 13.1 13.2 13.3

INTERVENTION OF BASQUE MUNICIPALITIES



PLANNING
93 actions
of 3,122 (3%) are associated to **SDG 13 - CLIMATE ACTION**



IMPLEMENTATION
The percentage of actions carried out is **9.7%**
9 out of the 93 actions being completed

EXAMPLE OF ACTIONS CARRIED OUT IN BASQUE MUNICIPALITIES

Creating an active resource for the adaptation to climate change and enjoy nature at the urban area

Aduna GIPUZKOA



Climate change adaptation and resilience plan

Amurrio ARABA

Regularly publishing the results of the GHG emissions inventory and action for climate change mitigation and adaptation

Donostia-San Sebastián
GIPUZKOA

Results

Average value of the indicators

2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 Data No. municipalities

1	Average greenhouse gas emissions of the municipalities per inhabitant and year	4.3	4.4	4.7	4.9	-	34
		<p>The Global Covenant of Mayors for Climate and Energy has set the target to cut GHG emissions by 40% by 2030</p>					

t CO₂e/inhab./year

Greenhouse gas emissions of the municipality per inhabitant and year (without industry and without primary sector) in tCO₂e per inhabitant and year

2	Average carbon footprint of the local council per inhabitant and year	0.11	0.17	0.09	0.19	-	31

t CO₂e/inhab./year

Greenhouse gas emissions (GHG) of the Local Council in tCO₂e per inhabitant and year

3	Municipalities with approved Climate and Energy Plans or in the pipeline	10	-	-	-	14	251
		(adaptation)				(adaptation)	
		18				19	
		(mitigation)				(mitigation)	

No. municipalities

The Climate and Energy Plans include mitigation and adaptation. Basque municipalities have been using this integrated approach since 2020.

The municipalities have so far addressed mitigation and adaptation in differentiated plans

23 Basque municipalities had signed up to the Global Covenant of Mayor for Climate and Energy in 2020

Studying the possibility and place to implement an Urban Sustainable Drainage System to prevent flooding

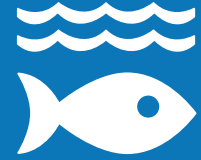
Legazpi GIPUZKOA

Studying the possibility of creating rain gardens to manage stormwater

Legazpi GIPUZKOA



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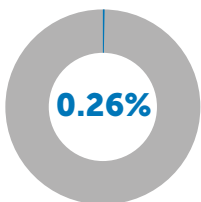
LIFE BELOW WATER

This goal and its targets seek to **conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources for sustainable development.**

Some of the aspects addressed by this goal relate to **marine pollution from land-based activities, ocean acidification, protection of marine ecosystems, restoring the health and productivity of the oceans, conserving coastal and marine areas, ending overfishing and illegal fishing, supporting artisan fishing, and increasing scientific knowledge.**

LOCAL TARGETS: 14.1 14.5

INTERVENTION OF BASQUE MUNICIPALITIES



PLANNING

8 actions

of 3,122 (0.26%) are associated to **SDG 14 - LIFE UNDER WATER**



IMPLEMENTATION

The percentage of actions carried out is

0%

none out of the 8 actions being completed

EXAMPLES OF PLANNED ACTIONS

In this case, as no actions have been implemented, three actions are presented, planned in the Action Plan of

Pasaia GIPUZKOA

Enhancing the importance of the sea and its biodiversity in the municipality and deploying good practices for its preservation

Working on the structuring of the sector, including uses and professionals of all the sectors linked to the sea and to the coast

Bolstering the existing maritime heritage and fostering new resources; along with guaranteeing the protection and sustainable use of the maritime resources



Results

Average value of the indicators

2015

2016

2017

2018

2019

Data No.
municipalities

1 Quality of estuary water: environmental status

3

3

2

3

-

21

The EU Water Framework Directive (WFD) establishes five classifications of ecological status, according to the degree of change to water bodies with respect to the baseline conditions: Very Good (1), Good (2), Moderate (3), Poor (4) and Bad (5)

2 Quality of coastal water: environmental status

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LIFE ON LAND



This goal and its targets seek to **protect, restore and promote sustainable use of terrestrial ecosystems, sustainably manage forests, combat desertification, halt and reverse land degradation and halt biodiversity loss.**

Some of the aspects addressed by this goal relate to the conservation, restoration and sustainable use of **terrestrial ecosystems** and **inland freshwater ecosystems** and their **services, desertification**, restoration of **degraded land and soil**, loss of **biodiversity**, **invasive alien species**, integration of ecosystem values into **planning**, and **poaching**.

LOCAL TARGETS: 15.1 15.2 15.3 15.4
15.5 15.8 15.9 15.a

EXAMPLE OF ACTIONS CARRIED OUT IN BASQUE MUNICIPALITIES

Restoring potentially contaminated land when publicly owned, when it is socially, technically and economically viable

Etxebarri BIZKAIA

Adequately managing the municipally owned land used for agriculture and livestock farming and galvanising the competent administrations to protect biodiversity on that land

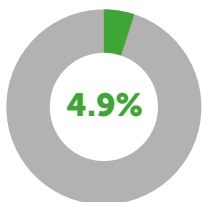
Donostia-San Sebastián

GIPUZKOA

Identifying other areas (farmland, etc.) that may need to be protected (e.g. Ventas rural areas, Bidasoa and other neighbourhoods as part of developing the General and Special Plans

Irun GIPUZKOA

INTERVENTION OF BASQUE MUNICIPALITIES



PLANNING

153 actions

of 3,122 (4.9%) are associated to **SDG 15 - LIFE ON LAND**



IMPLEMENTATION

The percentage of actions carried out is

25.5%

39 out of the 153 actions being completed

Results

Average value of the indicators

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	Data No. municipalities
1 Special protection areas with respect to the total surface area of the municipality % Percentage of protected areas with special protection status with respect to the total surface area of the municipality	18.9	18.5	18.3	19.0	-	251
2 Potentially contaminated soils % Percentage of land cover with potentially soil-contaminating activities or facilities (pursuant to Act 4/2015 of the Basque Government) with respect to the total useful surface area of the municipality	16.6	16.5	16.6	15.6	-	245
3 Restoration of potentially contaminated sites m ² Land cover of potentially contaminated soil recovered for future uses that have involved excavating the site and/or during the restoration in m ²	24,366	14,562	14,962	16,190	18,160	251

Developing the “Protecting and enhancing the dunes of La Arena beach” project

Muskiz BIZKAIA



Publication and campaign to inform the general public of the results of the study of Ordizia’s natural heritage

Ordizia GIPUZKOA

Managing and reforestation tasks of the forestry areas and wooded upland of the municipality and limiting the land cover with forest plantations with exotic plant species

Zierbena BIZKAIA

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PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS

This goal and its targets seek to **promote peaceful and inclusive societies for sustainable development, facilitate access to justice for all and build effective, accountable and inclusive institutions at all levels.**

Some of the aspects addressed by this goal relate to **reduce violence**, abuse and exploitation, **rule of law, equal access to justice, reducing corruption and bribery, effective and transparent institutions, accountability, participation and access to information**, and the protection of **fundamental freedoms**.

LOCAL TARGETS: 16.1 16.6

EXAMPLE OF ACTIONS CARRIED OUT IN BASQUE MUNICIPALITIES

Involvement of the different works of the supramunicipal and municipal institutions in the annual monitoring and programming of the new action plan

Aduna GIPUZKOA

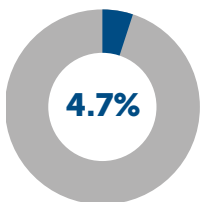
Drafting and approving a Citizen Participation Agenda

Amurrio ARABA

Fostering greater cohesion of the associative network, in order to strengthen relations and communication between associations, with a coordinate action programme

Berango BIZKAIA

INTERVENTION OF BASQUE MUNICIPALITIES



PLANNING

148 actions

of 3,122 (4.7%) are associated to **SDG 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS**



IMPLEMENTATION

The percentage of actions carried out is

33.8%

50 out of the 148 actions being completed



Results

Average value of the indicators

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	Data No. municipalities
1 Meetings of the in-person citizen participation mechanisms No meetings Number of in-person citizen participation meeting's organised by the different areas of the Local Council	13	17	17	20	19	18
2 Meetings of the in-person citizen participation mechanisms of the Local Agenda 21 No meetings Number of regular in-person municipal meetings linked to the Local Agenda 21 aimed at citizen participation	3	2	2	2	2	23
3 Participatory budgets € Annual municipal budget whose use has to be decided by means of municipal participatory budget processes	349,883	166,011	510,000	365,000	377,500	10

Creation of an inclusion network among all the public and private stakeholders of the supramunicipal districts

Eibar GIPUZKOA



Transparent municipal budgets

Muskiz BIZKAIA

Supramunicipal coordination and cooperation by means of participation in areas of common decision-making and initiatives

Zumarraga GIPUZKOA

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PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS

This goal and its targets seek to **strengthen the means of implementation and revitalise the global partnership for sustainable development.**

Some of the aspects addressed by this goal are related to resource mobilisation and complying with the commitment to **support development, coherence** of the **policies for sustainable development**, support for **capacity building** provided to developing countries to increase **availability of quality and timely data.**

LOCAL TARGETS: 17.2 17.14 17.18

EXAMPLE OF ACTIONS CARRIED OUT IN BASQUE MUNICIPALITIES

Municipal budget for International Solidarity activities

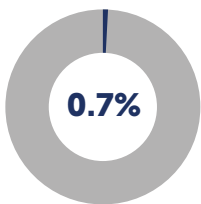
Berango BIZKAIA

Monitoring the cooperation projects subsidised by the Local Council

Irun GIPUZKOA



INTERVENTION OF BASQUE MUNICIPALITIES



0.7%

PLANNING

23 actions

of 3,122 (0.7%) are associated to **SDG 17 - PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS**



IMPLEMENTATION

The percentage of actions carried out is

65%

15 out of the 23 actions being completed

Results

Average value of the indicators

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	Data No. municipalities
1 Number of sustainable development indicators calculated by municipalities No indicators Number of local sustainable development indicators calculated by Udalsarea 2030 local councils	4,601	5,800	5,800	5,800	3,000	64
2 Municipal budget allocated to international development cooperation % Percentage of the annual municipal budget allocated to international development cooperations, with respect to the annual municipal budget	0.11	0.25	0.26	0.23	0.22	11
3 Number of sustainable development related networks and alliances in which the municipality participates Number of networks and partners	3	3	3	3	2	21

Updating the criteria for funding local NGOs

Irun GIPUZKOA

Supramunicipal agreement with nearby municipalities to access sports facilities and services, achieve greater participation and cut costs

Iruraiz-Gauna ARABA



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CULTURAL AND LINGUISTIC DIVERSITY

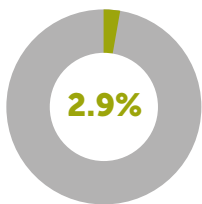
This goal, also known as 17+1 as it is an initiative added to the 17 SDGs of the UN 2030 Agenda, seeks to promote **cultural and linguistic diversity**.

Some of the aspects addressed by this initiative are to **empower and showcase the communities with minority languages**, foster appropriate **legislation** and **effective political strategies**, ensure that all the languages are present in the **educational systems** by driving bi-multilingual educational models, narrow the digital gap, by guaranteeing **access to the new technologies in all languages**, ensure the presence of these languages throughout the **media** or give impetus to **public services** being provided in own languages.

EXAMPLE OF ACTIONS CARRIED OUT IN BASQUE MUNICIPALITIES



INTERVENTION OF BASQUE MUNICIPALITIES



PLANNING

91 actions

of 3,122 (2.9%) are associated to **SDG 18 - CULTURAL AND LINGUISTIC DIVERSITY**



IMPLEMENTATION

The percentage of actions carried out is

46.1%

42 out of the 91 actions being completed

Collaboration with the local school to showcase traditional activities

Berango BIZKAIA

Bolstering the Euskera Elkartea (Basque Association) that promotes and encourages the use of the Basque language by the population

Etxebarri BIZKAIA

Results

Average value of the indicators

2011

2016

Data No.
municipalities

1 Percentage of the citizens who are Basque speaking

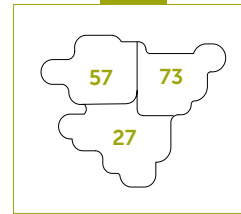
%

Percentage of people who speak Basque well or quite well, more specifically, if they are able to hold a conversation in Basque

54

57

251



Results

Average value of the indicators

2015

2016

2017

2018

2019

Data No.
municipalities

2 Municipal Basque plans and coordination with the sustainability plans

%

Percentage of the consulted municipalities with a Basque Language Plan; and percentage of the consulted municipalities with a Basque Language Plan that say it is coordinated with the local sustainability plan

-

-

-

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93.7

32

47% of them are coordinated with the local sustainability plan

Driving training in and the use of the Basque language at home and, above all, in the streets of the municipality

Iruraiz-Gauna ARABA

Engaging social groups even further in their commitment to the Basque language

Ugao-Miraballes BIZKAIA

Creating the conditions so the general public can speak and be addressed in the Basque language in its dealings with the Administration

Zaratamo BIZKAIA

Progressing in the use of Basque as the service language in relations with the public, as well as in the relations with other administrations and internally

Zumarraga GIPUZKOA

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Overall assessment and conclusions


OVERALL ASSESSMENT

An overall assessment is set out below of the contribution of Basque municipalities to the Sustainable Development Goals through their Local Sustainability Action Plans.

A rating of between 0 and 10 has therefore been generated based on three criteria for each goal:

1. The information available on calculated local sustainability indicators and actions	2. The intervention level so far from the Local Sustainability Action Plans regarding the aspects addressed in each goal	3. Achievements (the assessment was conducted on a participatory basis with a group of municipal agents)
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The rating allocated to each goal is the result of considering the following criteria and with the following weighting:

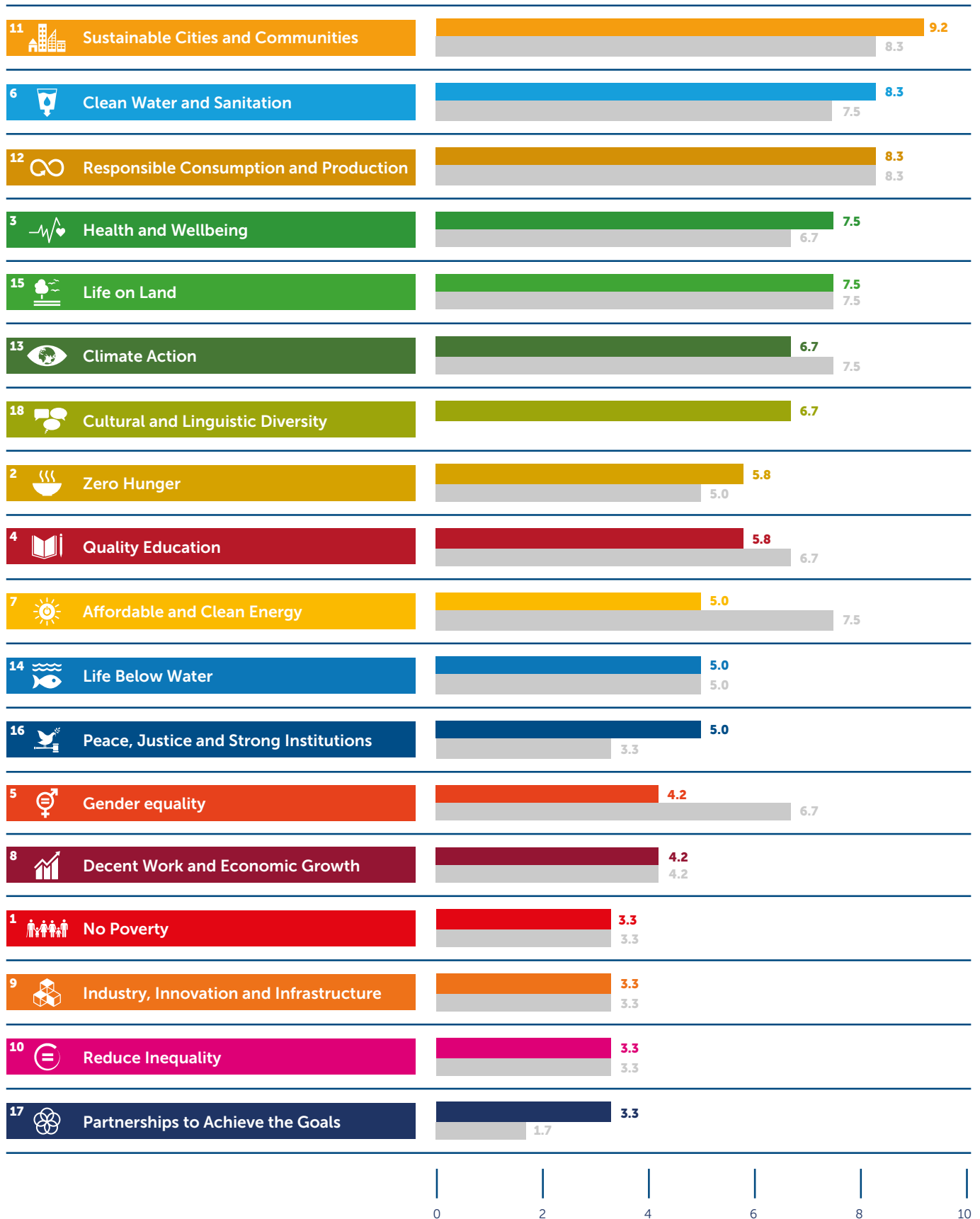
 25%	 25%	 50%
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0	Null	Null	None
1	Limited	Little	Nothing remarkable
2	Sufficient	Something	Somewhat remarkable
3	Good	Reasonable	Remarkable

Once the criteria had been assessed for each Goal, the resulting value was scaled from 0 to 10. Furthermore, the comparison is included with respect to the same rating conducted using the 2015 information. With the SDG 18. Linguistic and cultural diversity is not made such a comparison because this SDG was not incorporated in the First Report.

GRAPH 1

Contribution ratings to each SDG based on the available information, the intervention level and the achievements from the Local Sustainability Action Plans of the Basque municipalities and comparison to the 1st Report ratings



CONCLUSIONS

FROM LOCAL AGENDA 21 TO LOCAL 2030 AGENDA



Local sustainability plans based on the Agenda 21 are municipal policies that provide a **natural transition to the Local 2030 Agendas**. The evolution of the contribution of the Basque municipalities to the Sustainable Development Goals from 2015 to 2019, when Agenda 21 policies were still in the majority, show that they were a good starting point to implement Local 2030 Agendas.

However, the opportunities offered by the 2030 Agenda as a municipal plan to strengthen interdepartmental coordination, embrace other sectoral and cross-cutting plans and achieve the definitive cross-cutting of municipal plans and policies must be taken into consideration during the transition process.

ACHIEVEMENTS

MAIN ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE LOCAL SUSTAINABILITY POLICIES IN THE BASQUE COUNTRY WITH RESPECT TO THE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS



The advances to achieve sustainable cities and communities (SDG 11) including **the positive impact that several municipal policies and initiatives have on air quality and the increased land cover of parks, garden and urban green areas.**



The commitment of Basque municipalities to health and well-being (SDG 3) by means of **fostering sustainable and healthy transport and healthy lifestyles** is also very closely linked to the quality of the urban environments.



The implementation of practices fostering responsible consumption and production (SDG 12), such as, for example, **advances regarding waste**, even though there is still much to be done, or the implementation of **green public procurement.**



Climate action (SDS 13), which is also expected to be consolidated in Basque municipalities by means of the deployment of initiatives in the framework of the URBAN KLIMA 2050 project and the **emerging implementation of the Local Climate and Energy Plans.** When assessing the contribution of the municipalities to this Goal, **its holistic nature must be considered**, as other initiatives considered under other goals, such as the mobility plans, energy and waste initiatives, also contribute to this Goal.

CHALLENGES

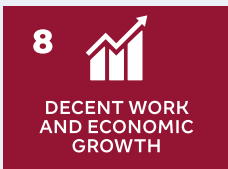
MAIN CHALLENGES OF THE LOCAL 2030 AGENDAS WITH RESPECT TO THE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS



A certain stagnation can be seen as regards **sustainable and clean energy** (ODS 7), particularly renewables and energy efficiency. However, it is anticipated that the results of the deployment of Local Climate and Energy Plans, along with compliance of the Basque Energy Sustainability Act 4 by local councils will begin to be seen in the coming years.



However, there is still much to be done regarding **gender equality** (SDG 5) at local level. Given the results, both in this goal and in the field of **decent work and economic growth** (SDG 8), **there needs to be a greater effort along with other administrations and entities** to advance in gender equality.



Local 2030 Agendas will also be an opportunity to strengthen, integrate and coordinate under a single vision, the municipal action to end poverty (SDG 1) and to reduce inequality (SDG 10). The need to identify vulnerable groups in the adaptation of the municipalities to the extreme phenomena related to climate or emergency situations such as the Covid-19 pandemic, highlight the need to interrelate municipal policies and initiatives with a joint approach set by the UN Sustainable Development Goals. Even though they have been less present in local sustainability plans up to now, **issues such as identifying socially vulnerable people, fighting poverty in all its aspects or the development of criteria to reduce inequality shall be of particular importance in the Local 2030 Agenda Plans.**





One of the challenges of the Local 2030 Agendas will be to **intensify the planning of actions related to life below water** (SDG 14), which have so far not been very present in the plans considered in this report. Issues such as marine pollution due to activities on land, conservation coastal areas or supporting artisan fishing can and must be addressed by Basque municipalities in order to complement the action of other supramunicipal authorities and achieve the required improvement regarding the sea and its uses.



Establishing partnerships for the goals (SDG 17) **will be key to improving sustainable development in general** in the coming years. In this regard, local council can play an essential role in order to be able to be in direct contact with the stakeholders of the territory who are also progressing in 2030 Agenda policies. On the other hand, restoring and consolidating development cooperation will be necessary.

THE ROLE OF THE MUNICIPALITIES IN THE GOALS SET BY THE 2030 AGENDA

As it is a universal agenda, this **report highlights the important role of municipalities in 2030 Agenda by means of their local action, and the adoption of long-term strategies.**

Progress in the implementation of a multilevel Agenda in the Basque Country will drive the work to meet the Sustainable Development Goals from the three levels of the Basque public administration. The complementarity of those three levels with the progress of other entities from the private and the third social sector establish a potential network with a single roadmap.

The municipalities and supramunicipal districts are a fundamental part in this scenario that established the relationship with supramunicipal public entities and are within easy reach and accessible for stakeholders and the general public.

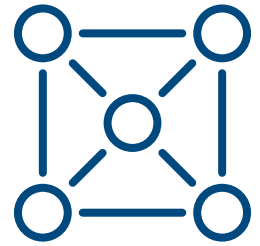
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Governance challenges in the deployment of Local 2030 Agendas

CHALLENGE 1



Mainstreaming



Mainstreaming, in general, of certain local policies still needs to be addressed. The structure of the 2030 Agenda and its deployment in Goals may facilitate mainstreaming in their implementation by means of specific projects, meaning that different Departments can contribute to several SDGs. The 2030 Agenda can also be considered as the glue to bind sectoral policies. In this regard, the Local Climate and Energy Plans stand out in the Basque Country as they meet several of the 2030 Agenda goals.

CHALLENGE 2



Communication



The communicative power of Sustainable Development Goals can be harnessed when implementing Local 2030 Agenda Plans. For example, specific projects can be associated with specific SDGs to highlight the "localisation" capacity of SDGs.



CHALLENGE 3



Citizen participation

Involving all local stakeholder in the reflection on how to contribute to the SDGs at local level will be essential. Reviving community work, involving associations, educational centres, social centres, etc. in improving the municipality. At the same time, adapting the participatory processes to the circumstances and limitations that may occur due to situations such as the Covid-19 pandemic will be important.

CHALLENGE 5



Alliances and partnerships

A hallmark of the 2030 Agenda is to establish partnerships to attain the Goals. The 2030 Agenda will allow partnerships to be established not only at the level of public authorities, but also with different sectors and local stakeholders, such as local associations, educational centres, companies, etc.

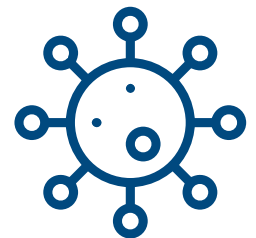
CHALLENGE 4



Multilevel governance

The 2030 Agenda as a governance benchmark for all levels of the administration allows the supramunicipal authorities to chart new ground to consolidate the municipalities progress towards the SDGs. This multilevel governance based on the same targets will help to pinpoint synergies and establishing aligned priorities in each territory and the three levels of the administration in the Basque Country.

CHALLENGE 6



Impact of the Covid-19 agenda

The situation generated by the pandemic has forced us to reinvent many areas of local management. It has also shown us how a global problem affects local and personal daily life. The 2030 Agenda is clearly a policy, with a global approach, that can be adapted to all levels, including, the local sphere, without leaving anybody behind and reinforcing the interrelation between health and social and environmental issues.

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