

The Dutch Monitor of Wellbeing and the SDG's

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Outline of presentation

- Measurement system: integrating a conceptual and policy-relevant (SDG) framework.
- Presentation of data: visualisation of dataset on wellbeing and SDGs.
- Political context: monitor of wellbeing and SDG's and its role in parliamentary debate.

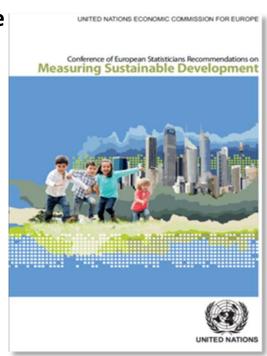
Measurement system: CES Recommendations

UNECE/Eurostat/OECD Taskforce for Measuring Sustainable Development

Building on Brundtland:

Human wellbeing

- "Here and Now"
- "Later"
- "Elsewhere"





Main aim of Taskforce for Measuring Sustainable Development

- (1) Tracing the commonalities between datasets.
- (2) Focus on some specific debates:

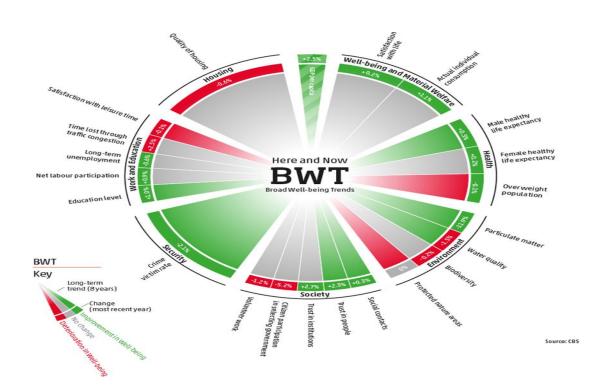
- -Future oriented approach (only capital stocks), or also reporting on current well-being?
- -Composite indicator or set of indicators (problems with aggregation)?
- -Conceptual or policy approach?

SDG-plus monitoring

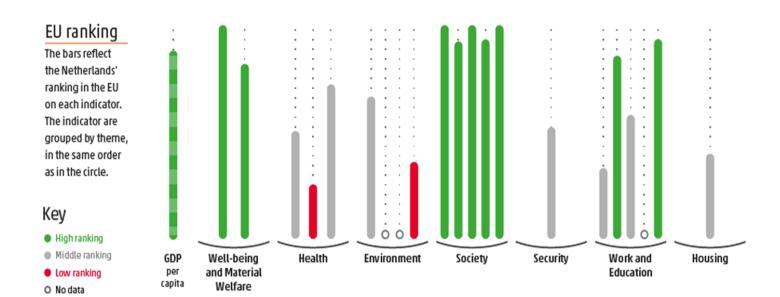
SDG-plus monitoring:

- -Embracing the UN SDG agenda.
- -With additions specifically relevant for the Dutch policy context.
- -Enriching the SDG monitoring with the "here and now", "later" and "elsewhere" dimensions.

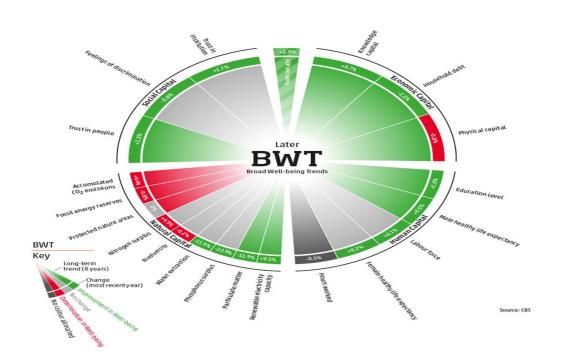
Wellbeing "here and now" (trends)



Wellbeing "here and now" (EU ranking)



Wellbeing "later" (trends)



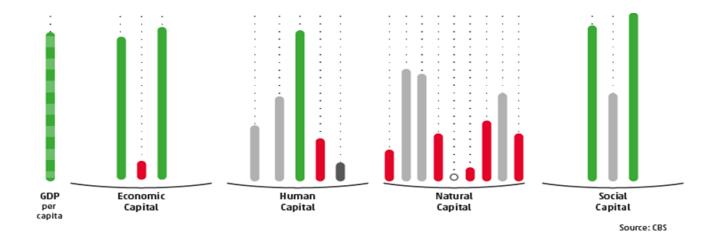
Wellbeing "later" (EU ranking)

EU ranking

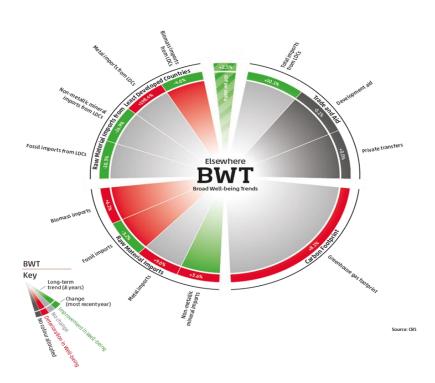
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Wellbeing "elsewhere" (trends)



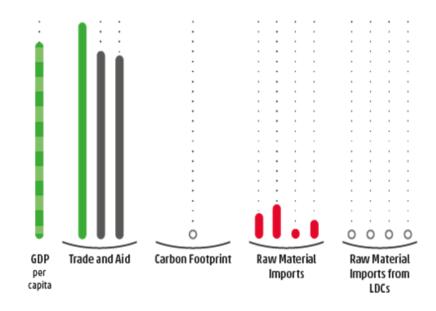
Wellbeing "elsewhere" (EU ranking)

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Source: CBS

Wellbeing "here and now": distribution



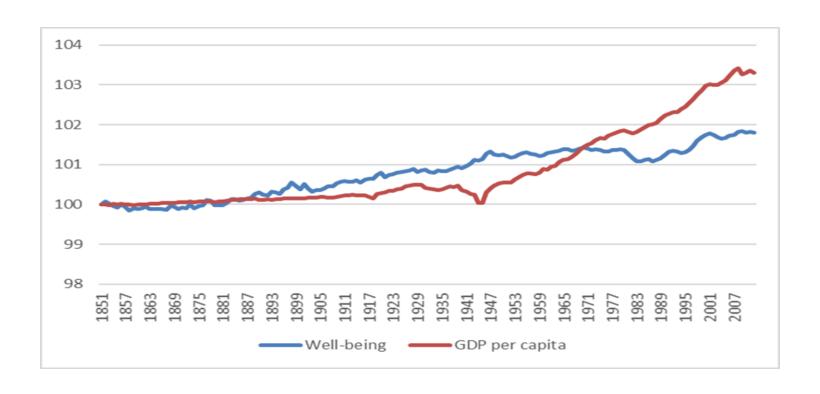
SDG trends



Research agenda

- 1. More integrated reporting of indicators.
- Satellite Accounts (for example SEEA); providing links with SNA.
- 2. Integrating the Monitor in the budget and policy cycle: (1) accountability debate -> ex post analysis; (2) developing factsheets for specific policy domains (for ministeries) -> ex ante analysis
- 3. Tracing synergies and trade-offs (in the light of scarce resources)

GDP per capita versus wellbeing



How (un)sustainable is GDP growth?

CO₂ emissions, 1850-2015 (in Kton; against sustainability norm)

