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BACKGROUND

Well-being of Wales: schedule of indicator updates

A list of the indicators laid before the National Assembly for Wales as required under section 10 of the Well-being of Future Generations Act (Wales) 2015, alongside the month they are scheduled to be updated.

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Introduction

The Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 is about improving the social, economic, environmental and cultural wellbeing of Wales. It puts in place seven well-being goals for Wales.

The Act places a legal requirement on Welsh Ministers to set national indicators for the purpose of measuring progress towards the achievement of the wellbeing goals.

Whilst the indicators are set by Welsh Ministers they reflect the whole of Wales and will enable the contribution made by all to be understood.

Listed below are the indicators laid before the the Senedd in 2021 as required under section 10 of the Well-being of Future Generations Act (Wales) 2015, alongside their update frequency. The dates of last update and next update for each indicator can be found on the [specific indicator data and summary pages](#).

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National Indicators and the COVID-19 pandemic

During the COVID-19 pandemic, data collections were interrupted and as a result several scheduled indicator updates were disrupted. The notes column lists any changes to the usual schedule for 2019- 20 and 2020-21.

In light of the pandemic, the frequencies of several indicators from the National Survey for Wales are being reviewed. As such the frequencies listed below are provisional and may be revised for the 2021-22 indicator updates.

Shaping Wales' Future consultation 2021

In 2021 we carried out a consultation into proposals for setting the first wave of national milestones for Wales and seeking views on the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the national indicators. Based on the responses to this and wider input a small number of new national indicators have been included and others extended and amended. These specific changes are detailed below.

Schedule of updates

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Indicator	Description	Frequency	Notes
1	Percentage of live single births with a birth weight of under 2,500g	Annually: August	
2	Healthy life expectancy at birth including the gap	Not regularly produced	

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Indicator	Description	Frequency	Notes
	between the least and most deprived		
3	Percentage of adults with two or more two healthy lifestyle behaviours	Annually: July	2020-21 update is taken from the quarterly National Survey for Wales results instead of the annual survey. This national indicator has been amended from “Percentage of adults who have fewer than two healthy lifestyle behaviours” in the Wellbeing of Wales: national indicators set in December 2021. This is for greater clarity and alignment with the wording used in indicator 5.
4	Levels of nitrogen dioxide (NO2) pollution in the air	Annually: November	
5	Percentage of children with two or more healthy lifestyle behaviours	Every 4 years: 2023	This national indicator has been amended from “Percentage of children who have fewer than two healthy lifestyle behaviours” in the Wellbeing of Wales: national indicators set in December 2021. This is for greater clarity and alignment with the proposed national milestone.
6	Measurement of development of young children	Annually: August	No update in 2019-20 or 2020-21.
7	Average capped 9 points score of pupils, including the gap between those who are eligible or	Annually: December	No update in 2019-20 or 2020-21.

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	are not eligible for free school meals		
8	Percentage of adults with qualifications at the different levels of the National Qualifications Framework	Annually: April	
9	Gross Value Added (GVA) per hour worked (relative to UK average)	Annual	
10	Gross Disposable Household Income per head	Annual	
11	Percentage of businesses which are innovation-active	Every 2 years	
12	Capacity (in MW) of renewable energy equipment installed	Not regularly updated	
13	Concentration of carbon and organic matter in soil	Not regularly updated	
14	The global footprint of Wales	Not regularly	This national indicator has been amended from "The ecological footprint of Wales" to

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		updated	more accurately reflect how it is referred to internationally and the cross-cutting nature of what is measured.
15	Amount of waste generated that is not recycled, per person	Not regularly updated	
16	Percentage of people in employment, who are on permanent contracts (or on temporary contracts, and not seeking permanent employment) and who earn at least the real Living Wage	To be confirmed	This national indicator has been amended from “Percentage of people in employment, who are on permanent contracts (or on temporary contracts, and not seeking permanent employment) and who earn more than 2/3 of the UK median wage” in the Wellbeing of Wales: national indicators set in December 2021, we are working to make data available for this indicator as soon as possible.
17	Pay difference for gender, disability and ethnicity	Annually for gender pay difference. Pay difference for disability and ethnicity to be confirmed	This national indicator has been extended from “Gender pay difference” in the Wellbeing of Wales: national indicators set in December 2021.
18	Percentage of people living in	Annually: February/	

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	households in income poverty relative to the UK median, measured for children, working age and those of pension age	March	
19	Percentage of people living in households in material deprivation	Annually: July	No update in 2020-21.
20	Proportion of employees whose pay is set by collective bargaining	To be confirmed	This national indicator has been newly added to the Wellbeing of Wales: national indicators set in December 2021, replacing “Percentage of people moderately or very satisfied with their jobs” we are working to make data available for this indicator as soon as possible.
21	Percentage of people in employment	Quarterly	
22	Percentage of people in education, employment or training, measured for different age groups	Annually: July	
23	Percentage who feel able to	Every 2 years: July	2020-21 update is taken from the quarterly National Survey for Wales results instead of

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	influence decisions affecting their local area		the annual survey.
24	Percentage of people satisfied with their ability to get to/ access the facilities and services they need	Every 2 years: July	2020-21 update is taken from the quarterly National Survey for Wales results instead of the annual survey.
25	Percentage of people feeling safe at home, walking in the local area, and when travelling	Every 2 years: July	
26	Percentage of people satisfied with local area as a place to live	Every 2 years: July	2020-21 update is taken from the quarterly National Survey for Wales results instead of the annual survey.
27	Percentage of people agreeing that they belong to the area; that people from different background get on well together; and that people treat each other with respect	Every 2 years: July	2020-21 update is taken from the quarterly National Survey for Wales results instead of the annual survey.
28	Percentage of people who	Every 2 years: July	No update in 2020-21.

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	volunteer		
29	Mean mental well-being score for people	Adults every 2 years: July Children every 2 years	No update in 2020-21.
30	Percentage of people who are lonely	Every 2 years: July	Additional update in 2020-21.
31	Percentage of dwellings which are free from hazards	Not regularly updated	
32	Number of properties (homes and businesses) at medium or high risk of flooding from rivers and the sea	Not regularly updated	
33	Percentage of dwellings with adequate energy performance	Not regularly updated	
34	Number of households successfully prevented from becoming homeless per 10,000 households	Annually: July	

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35	Percentage of people attending or participating in arts, culture or heritage activities at least 3 times a year	Every 2 years: July	No update in 2020-21.
36	Percentage of people who speak Welsh daily and can speak more than just a few words of Welsh	Annually: July	2020-21 update is taken from the quarterly National Survey for Wales results instead of the annual survey.
37	Number of people who can speak Welsh	Every 10 years: 2022	This national indicator has been amended from “Percentage of people who can speak Welsh” in the Wellbeing of Wales: national indicators set in December 2021. This is consistent with the national ambition to reach a million Welsh speakers by 2050, which is the proposed national milestone.
38	Percentage of people participating in sporting activities three or more times a week	Adults Annually: July Children Every 3 years	No update in 2020-21.
39	Percentage of museums and archives holding archival/heritage collections meeting UK accreditation standards	Annually: July	No update in 2019-20 or 2020-21.

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40	Percentage of designated historic environment assets that in stable or improved conditions	Annually: September	
41	Emissions of greenhouse gases within Wales	Annually: June	
42	Emissions of greenhouse gases attributed to the consumption of global goods and services in Wales	Not regularly updated	
43	Area of healthy ecosystems in Wales	Not regularly updated	
44	Status of biological diversity in Wales	Not regularly updated	An experimental indicator was published in September 2021.
45	Percentage of surface water bodies and groundwater bodies achieving good or high overall status	Not regularly updated	
46	Active global citizenship in Wales	To be confirmed	This national indicator has been newly added to the Wellbeing of Wales: national indicators set in December 2021, replacing "The social return on investment of Welsh

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			partnerships within Wales and outside of the UK that are working towards the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals” we are working to make data available for this indicator as soon as possible.
47	Percentage of people who have confidence in the justice system	To be confirmed	This national indicator has been newly added to the Wellbeing of Wales: national indicators set in December 2021, we are working to make data available for this indicator as soon as possible.
48	Percentage of journeys by walking, cycling or public transport	To be confirmed	This national indicator has been newly added to the Wellbeing of Wales: national indicators set in December 2021, we are working to make data available for this indicator as soon as possible.
49	Percentage of households spending 30% or more of their income on housing costs	To be confirmed	This national indicator has been newly added to the Wellbeing of Wales: national indicators set in December 2021, we are working to make data available for this indicator as soon as possible.
50	Status of digital inclusion	To be confirmed	This national indicator has been newly added to the Wellbeing of Wales: national indicators set in December 2021, we are working to make data available for this indicator as soon as possible.

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