

Introducing

City Limits

A resource flow
and ecological footprint
analysis of Greater
London

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The City Limits project quantified and catalogued the resources consumed in Greater London for the year 2000. The ecological footprint of Londoners was also measured.



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City Limits

Can London be sustainable
by 2050?

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the City Limits report

(A4, 68 B&W pages, 28 tables & 18 charts)

visit the City Limits website:

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City Limits found that in 2000 the average Londoner's lifestyle consumed:

- 13 MWh of gas and electricity
- almost 5 tonnes of materials
- over 8,400 km of travel
- more than 680kg of food

City Limits shows that this level of consumption results in an ecological footprint of 6.63 global hectares, which exceeds the global earthshare of 2.18 global hectares and is therefore not ecologically sustainable.

To attain a sustainable lifestyle by 2050, each Londoner's ecological footprint would need to be 35% lower by 2020. Continuing this reduction trend until 2050 would enable Londoners to reach ecological sustainability.

One way of reducing the ecological footprint by 35% would be if every Londoner:

- reduced gas consumption from 9.5MWh to 6.2MWh AND
- installed 11m² of solar panels AND
- travelled 3,000 km less / year OR switched 3,500 km of car travel to bicycle AND
- consumed 70% less meat, reducing food waste by over 100 kg AND
- ate more than 40% local seasonal unprocessed food AND
- produced over a tonne less waste.

But this reduction

can be achieved in a myriad of other ways.

You can choose how by visiting the interactive model at:

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