



Why and how Measuring Distance to the SDG Targets with a focus on OECD countries?

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Abstract:

The OECD Measuring Distance to the SDG Targets report was developed to assist OECD members with their national implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development by:

- identifying measurable indicators to monitor progress towards achieving SDG targets that members could use on a comparable basis, based on the IAGE Global indicator List and data from the UN-SDG and OECD databases;
- highlighting key data gaps where statistical development would be needed to improve monitoring and understanding of the policy drivers of SDG targets;
- assessing countries' current position on each of the targets to help them set and achieve their strategic priorities within the SDG agenda.

In 2022, the OECD will issue the next edition of the Measuring Distance to the SDG Targets. This edition will deepen the analysis by looking at whether countries have been moving towards or away from the targets and how likely they are to meet their commitments. It will also assess how those trends are likely to be affected by the COVID-19 pandemic. The presentation will discuss the main methodological considerations underpinning the Measuring Distance to the SDG Targets and highlight selected preliminary findings in the context of COVID-19 pandemic for OECD countries.

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