

## Sustainable Development Indicators for Sweden – a first set 2001

The work of the Brundtland Commission and others provides the background for the approach we have chosen to structure the indicators. Sustainability indicators are generally designed to illustrate the economic, environmental and social dimensions of sustainable development. There is a danger in categorising a set of indicators strictly by these dimensions since the same phenomena can often be viewed from several perspectives. We have chosen to structure our indicators under themes that we have named Efficiency, Contribution and Equality, Adaptability and Values and resources for coming generations. Within these themes, the indicators encompass economic, environmental and social dimensions. We hope this approach will bring a focus to the different facets of the transition toward sustainability, rather than serving as a judgment on the present state of sustainability.

This report is a contribution to the future debate on the concept of sustainability and can serve as an instrument to monitor goals toward sustainable development.

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