

What Are The SDGs?

The **Sustainable Development Goals** were designed by the United Nations and serve as a set of targets for the world to strive towards.



They are meant to help us achieve a **better future** for **everyone** around the world. They range from fighting inequalities to the urgency of **climate change**.

This makes them particularly important for young people.





Media

It is important that we get our information from **trusted** sources. Remember anyone can say **anything** on the internet, that doesn't make it true.



If you want to know about the SDGs or other global issues, check out globalgoals.org or any of the UN sites on the SDGs.

Your Issues

A 2022 survey said the top 3 issues for Irish young people are climate change, equality and mental health and well-being. As you can see, these issues are represented by the SDGs.





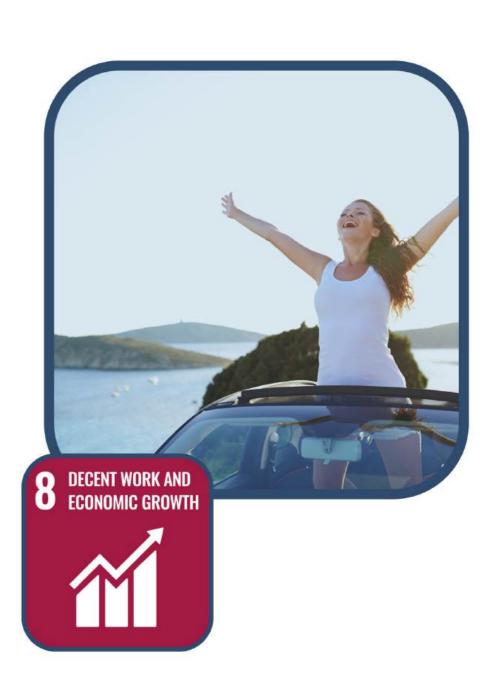


Health, education, housing and standard of living were also important topics.









All of the Goals are very relevant to young people. It's about **your future.** If we are able to achieve the SDGs or even get close, that means a **brighter** future for **everyone**.

Gender Equality



Women and girls all over the world often live disadvantaged and unequal lives.



Gender equality means:

Ending Violence

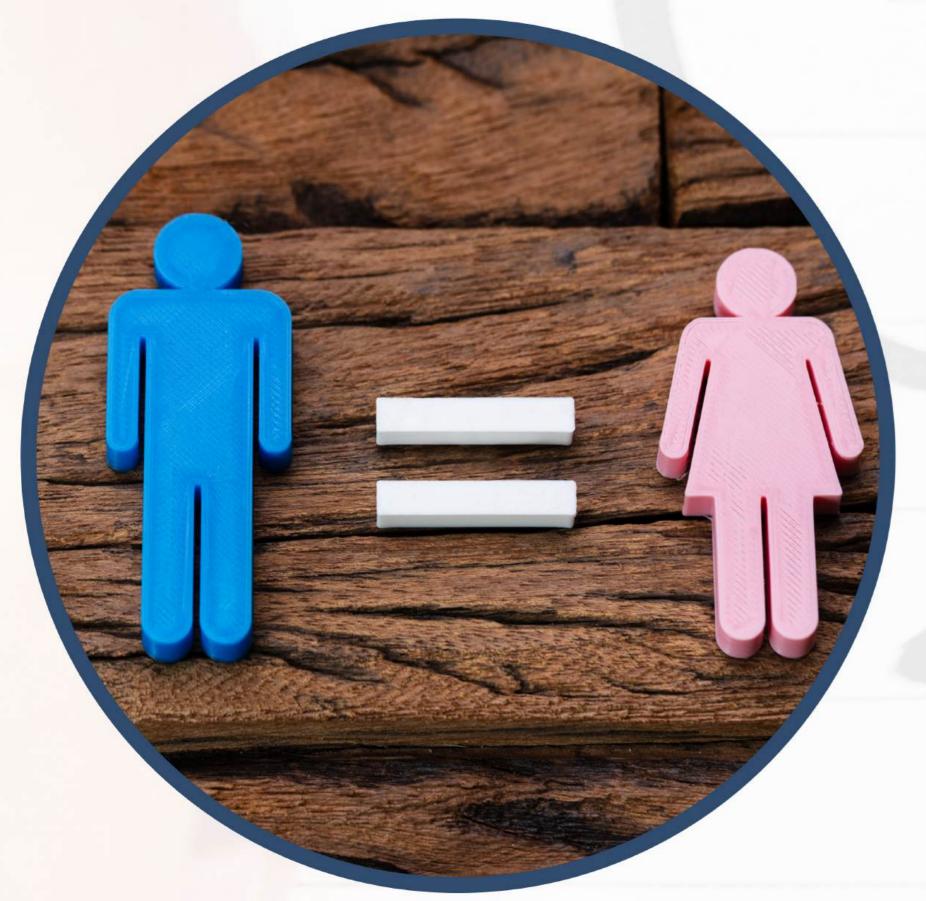
Stopping Trafficking

Ending Forced Marriage

Ending Sexual Exploitation

Equal Rights

 Recognising and Valuing Women's Work in the Home.



Women in Ireland are still earning 14% less than men.



Decent Work



This means **everybody** has the opportunity to freely choose a safe, fairly paid, secure and fulfilling job.

It also means that businesses use resources wisely, that unemployment is reduced by providing training and child and forced labour is prevented.





7 in 10 young people in Ireland are considering emigration for a better quality of life. Having access to a job that you will find fulfilling and fair is pretty important.



Transportation



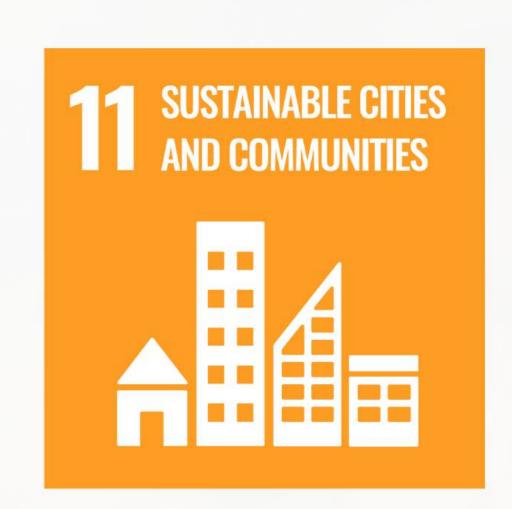
Sustainable cities means everybody has good waste and water services, housing and transportation that is safe, organised and good for the environment.

Good transport uses our own energy like walking and cycling and using public transportation like buses and trains.



We need to work in partnership with our government to make this a reality.

Electric vehicles doubled on Irish roads in 2021



Fast Fashion



Clothes that are made very quickly and cheaply, mainly in South-East Asia, are considered fast fashion.

Problems with the fashion industry include:

Bad Working Conditions

Low Pay

Pollution

Child Labour

Over Supply

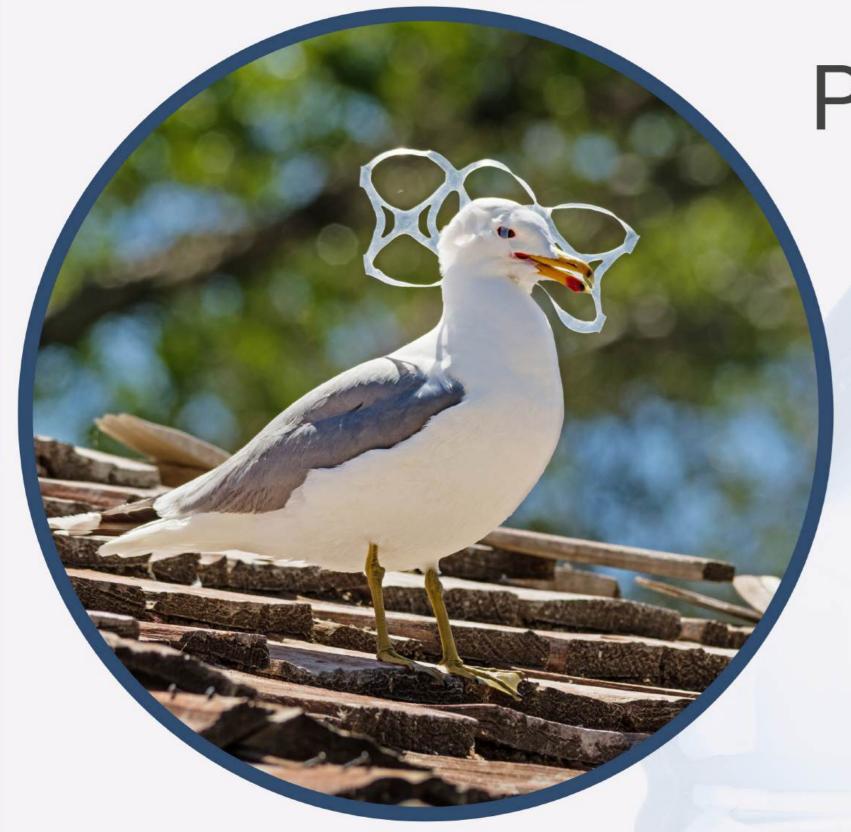
Synthetic Materials



10% of global C02 emissions comes from the fashion industry.



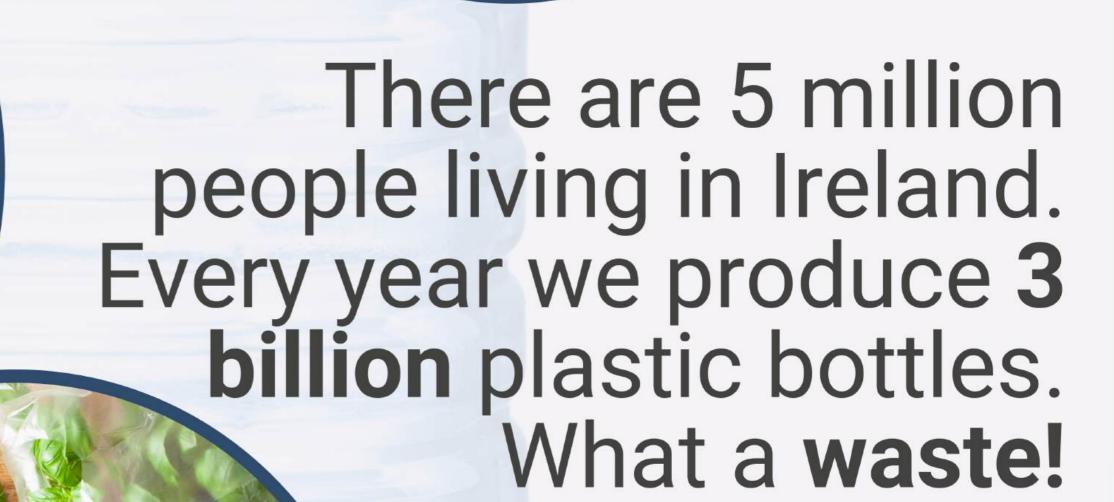
Single Use Plastics



Plastic causes a lot of pollution on the land and in the sea.

Most of our plastic is burned which is really bad for our air.

Plastic is made from oil, takes a lot of energy to produce and lasts for years. It takes 450 years for a plastic bottle to break down.



40% of all plastic is used in packaging.



Climate Change



We need to take **urgent action** to combat climate
change and its impacts. The
Earth is getting warmer and it
has a lot to do with us.

As the temperatures rise, it's harder for plants, animals and people to survive.



Droughts and floods play a big part in this. It is estimated 700 million people will have to move by 2030.

Ireland will have serious problems with flooding.



Buy your drinks in a can

Make art about it

Grow your own

Shop local clothes, food, gifts Repair your stuff

Talk to friends and family

What Can We Do?

Write poetry about it

Pick 3 for the sea

Shop vintage - clothes, furniture, EVERYTHING

Make your voice heard- tell people in charge, sign petitions, vote when you can

Reduce, Reuse and Recycle IN THAT ORDER













5 GENDER EQUALITY

4 QUALITY EDUCATION





















































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