

# PUGET SOUND VITAL SIGNS

## INDICATOR SENSE OF PLACE INDEX

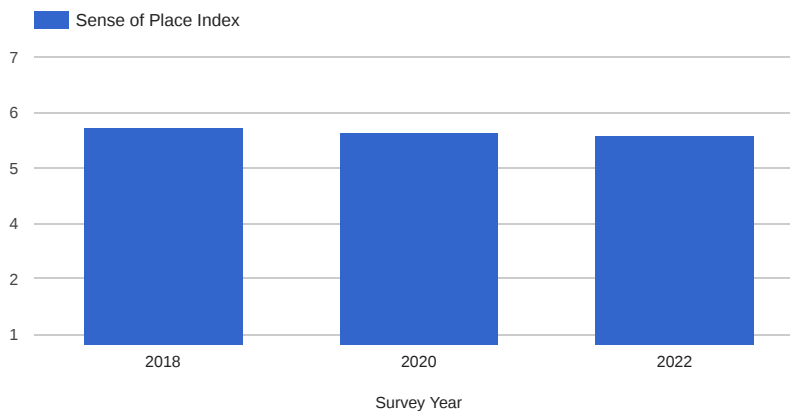
The Sense of Place Index measures the percent of residents who express a positive connection, a strong sense of stewardship, and a sense of pride about being from Puget Sound. This indicator will inform us about peoples' emotional connection to Puget Sound.

Indicator  
Progress

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### Sense of Place Index



Index of Sense of Place on a seven-point scale based on how respondents agree or disagree with statements about their sense of place in Puget Sound (where 1 is strongly disagree and 7 is strongly agree).

### Target

No targets are currently set for this indicator.

### Data Source

Oregon State University Human Dimensions Lab

[Human Wellbeing Vital Signs Survey 2022 Summary Report](#)

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## Key Vital Sign Indicator Results

- We measure Sense of Place by asking respondents to rate their agreement or disagreement with seven statements about sense of place.
- Most people in Puget Sound describe an identity and/or attachment to Puget Sound as a place. 5.49 was the average survey response in 2022, which means respondents “somewhat agree” that they have a sense of place in the Puget Sound on a seven-point scale. This is consistent with participants’ responses in 2018 and 2020.
- 48 percent of respondents do not believe they would be satisfied living outside of Puget Sound. See [Interpretation of Results](#) for more information.

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