



Puget Sound Quality of Life Index

Recovering the Puget Sound ecosystem will reap many benefits—both tangible and intangible—for all of our residents. Whether we are employed in a marine industry, celebrating our cultural traditions, boating, or simply enjoying the scenic views, we receive gifts from Puget Sound that are part of the reason that we want to live here. A healthy Puget Sound includes a thriving natural world, a vibrant economy, and a high quality of life for people.

The Puget Sound Partnership is working on a region-wide Quality of Life Index that will assign a numeric value to these intangible benefits, combining attributes related to aesthetics, culture, recreation, and the economy. Work on defining the specific items to be included in the Quality of Life Index is underway and will seek input from a number of interest groups, as well as be informed by related efforts taking place at the local level. The Quality of Life Index will be presented to the Leadership Council in 2013, and its targets will be identified soon after.

