

PROPOSED MEASURES FOR REGIONAL GOAL: WE LEAD ON ADDRESSING CLIMATE CHANGE



Regional indicators

These measures describe high-level trends about the Twin Cities metro or region. Regional indicators can provide context on whether—and to what extent—our region’s trends are similar to other places and offer a sense of scale and persistence. These measures reflect the impacts of intersecting “macro” systems and require collective and sustained action to counter or advance. For that reason, it may be difficult to understand what drives change in regional indicator trends without additional analysis or data.

Regional indicator description	Regional goals			
	Equitable and inclusive	Healthy and safe	Dynamic and resilient	Natural systems
Indemnity amount paid on crop insurance			X	
Share of region's population living in areas with extreme heat	X	X		
Regional average of tree canopy coverage in areas with extreme heat	X			
Share of region's population living in Flood Impact Zones (FIZ), i.e., areas with heightened risk of localized flooding	X	X		
Share of areas with high risk of localized flooding where adjacent areas have 25%+ impervious surface coverage				
Metric tons of CO2 equivalent sequestered by the region's natural systems per capita				X
Regional average of daily vehicle miles traveled (VMT) per capita				
Regional greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions per capita				X
Share of electric, light-duty vehicles on the road				
Total publicly available electric vehicle charging stations				
Total regional cumulative solar capacity (Megawatts AC)			X	

Regional measures

These measures describe how Met Council’s local partners advance Imagine 2050 goals, objectives, and policies. They may capture work among local governments, regional parks implementing agencies, community organizations, or other organizations or agencies within the region. Regional measures acknowledge that the regional values, visions, and goals described in Imagine 2050 cannot be achieved alone. These measures are often derived from primary data collection efforts led by Met Council, through surveys, plan reviews, and other research methods. The development of these data, as well as their findings, further our understanding of systems change within the region.

Regional measure description	Regional goals			
	Equitable and inclusive	Healthy and safe	Dynamic and resilient	Natural systems
Share of transportation and transit assets' value within Flood Impact Zones (FIZ)			X	
Total annual greenhouse gas emissions (metric tons) from regional transportation				
Share of region's population living in communities with SolSmart designation				

Met Council measures

As a large organization with a diverse portfolio of work and roles within the region, Met Council measures highlight how our own grant and investment programs, services and operations, engagement practices, convening and coordinating of partners—among other actions—advance the regional goals and policy direction established in Imagine 2050. Incorporating Met Council measures in the Imagine 2050 Outcomes Measurement Program not only facilitates internal alignment and a clearer communication of our role, it also demonstrates how the Met Council leads by example.

Met Council measure description	Regional goals			
	Equitable and inclusive	Healthy and safe	Dynamic and resilient	Natural systems
Total Metro Transit System Ridership			X	
Share of Met Council-owned facilities with climate-resilient landscape management practices				X
Total greenhouse gas emissions (metric tons) from Met Council operations				
Percent change in greenhouse gas emissions (metric tons) from Met Council operations (2005, 2023 baselines)				
Share of Met Council total fleet mileage driven in electric and alternative fuel vehicles				