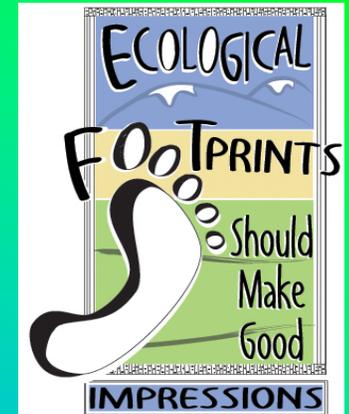


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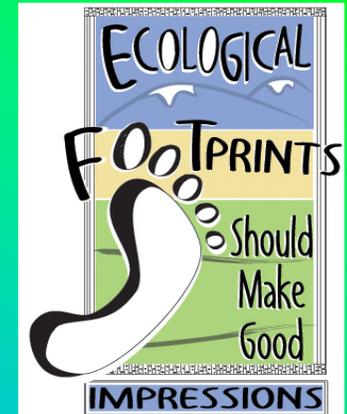


# What is an Ecological Footprint?



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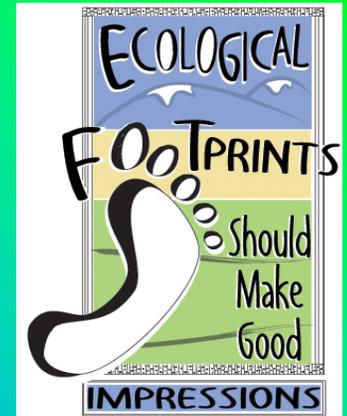
# How Much “Nature” does Your Lifestyle Use?



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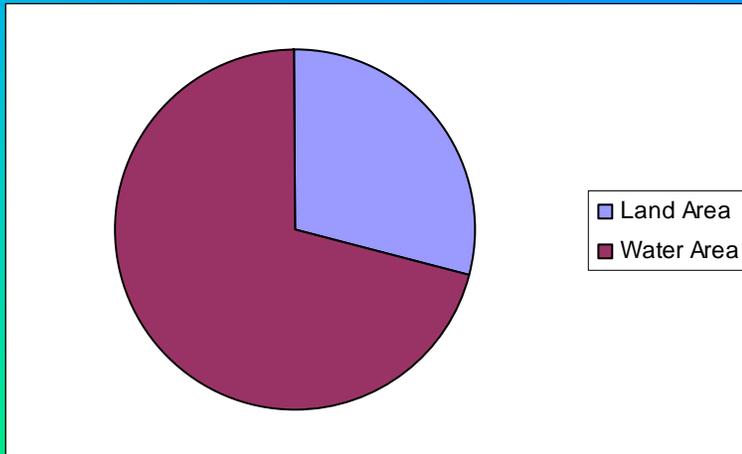
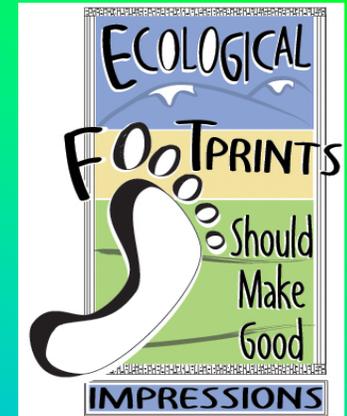
# How Much Earth Do We Have?

- Our “living” Earth has a bioproductive surface area of 28 billion acres;
- World population is approximately 6.6 billion
- Bioproductive space divided equally alots 4.7 acres per person



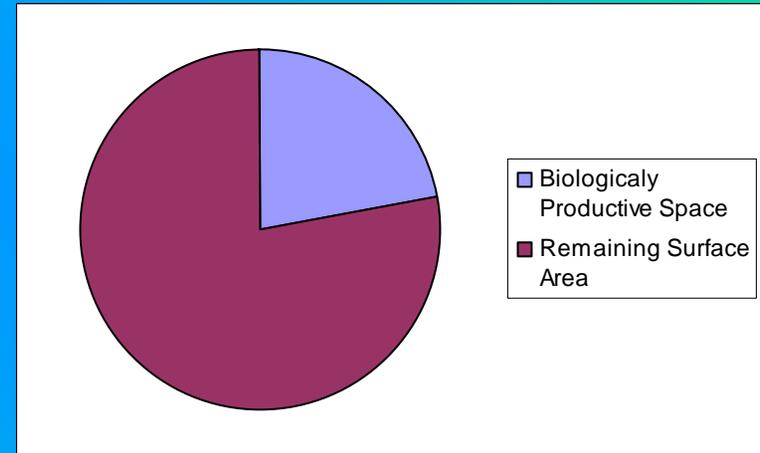
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# Surface Area of the Earth = 126 Billion Acres



36.8 Billion Acres (Land)

89.2 Billion Acres (Water)



28 Billion Acres (Biologically Productive)

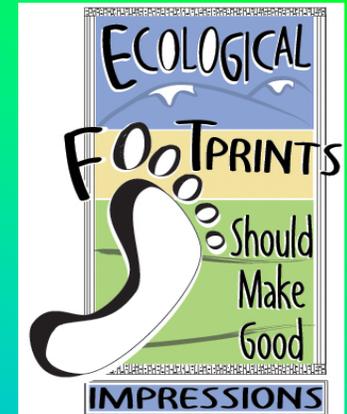
98 Billion Acres (Remaining)



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# How Much Earth Do We Have?

- The average US Ecological Footprint is 24 acres
- If everyone lived like the average American, then we would need 5 planets to support the human population



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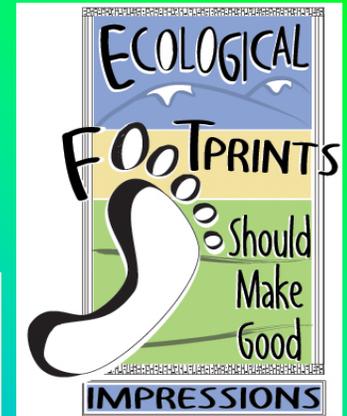
# What is an Ecological Footprint?

The Ecological Footprint is the ecologically productive area necessary to support an individual or a population.

It is a measure of how much nature we 'consume' to sustain ourselves.

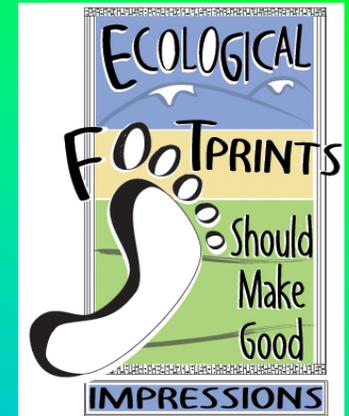
Humanity's Ecological Footprint has increased so that it could exceed what nature can provide. Growing concern that our collective footprint is too "big."

Each of us contributes to the impact we have on the planet.



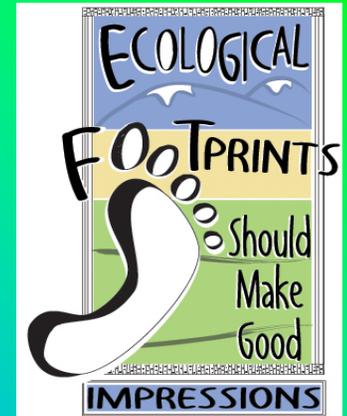
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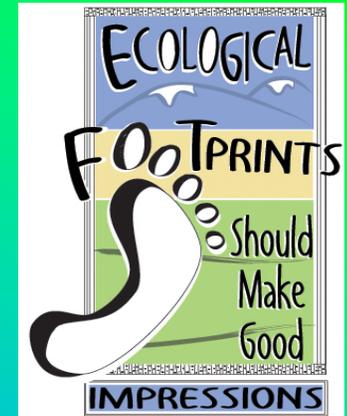


- Food

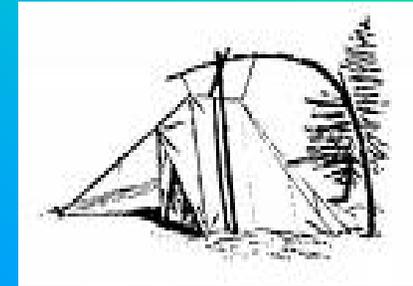


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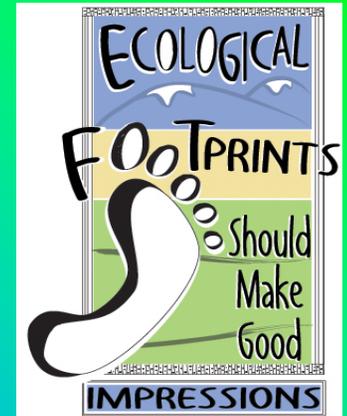


- Food
- Shelter



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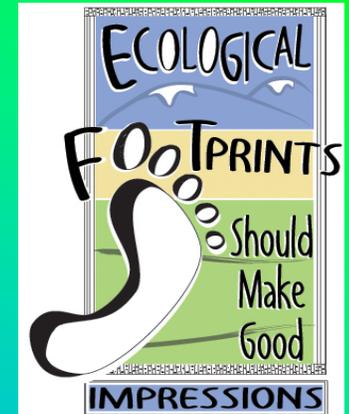


- Food
- Shelter
- Mobility



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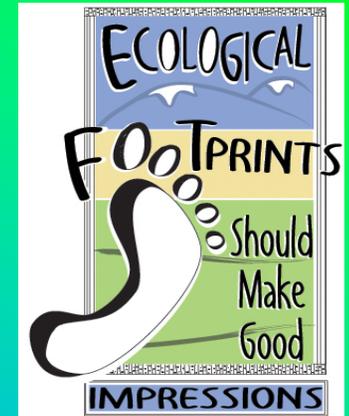
# How Do We Use Our Footprint?



- Food
- Shelter
- Mobility
- Goods & Services



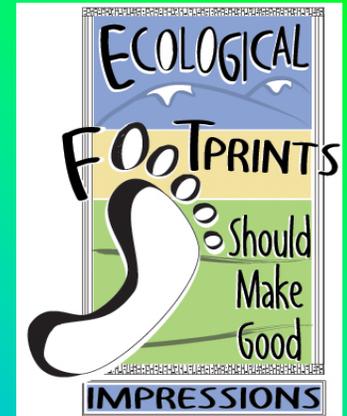
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# How Do I Measure My Ecological Footprint?



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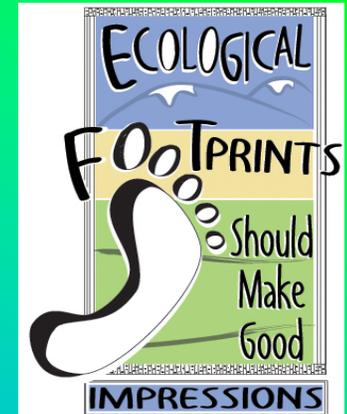


# Take a Footprint Quiz !



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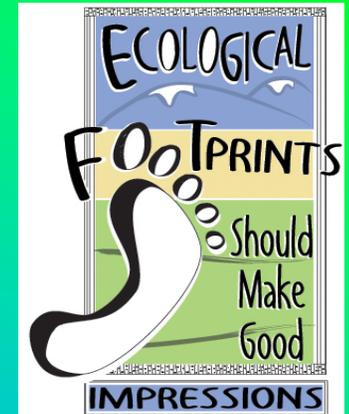


- [Global Footprint Network](#)
- [Redefining Progress](#)
- Read *Radical Simplicity* Jim Merkel



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# Take Action!

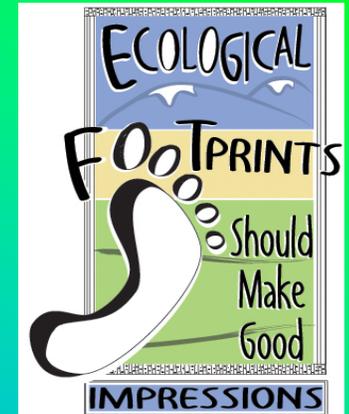


- Reflect on the scale of change
- Make a Personal Commitment
- Take Small Steps!
- Monitor Your Positive Change



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# Take Small Steps!

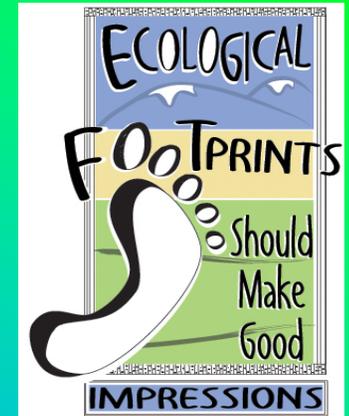


- **Change a Lightbulb**
- **Have Zero Food Waste**
- **Buy Food at Local Markets**
- **Walk or Bike More**



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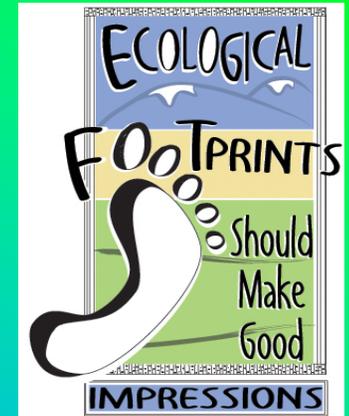


- Use Products for their Lifespan
- Carpool
- Be a Wise Consumer
- Reduce, Reuse, Recycle!



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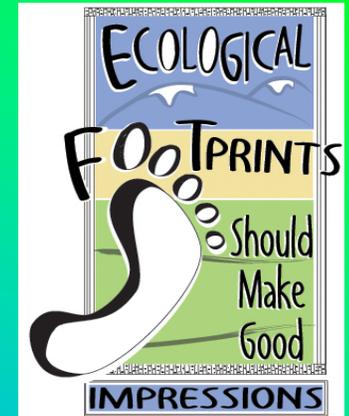
# Track Your Positive Change!



- Pick an Annual Footprint Holiday
- Make a Graph of Change
- Keep a Journal to Track Lifestyle Changes



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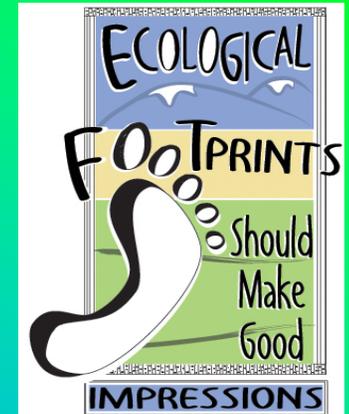


**“Nobody makes a greater mistake than he who did nothing because he could only do a little.”**

**- Edmund Burke, British statesman and orator**



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