

Overton

Finding policy and the scholarly
research it is connected to

<https://www.overton.io>

About Overton

- Our mission is to make it easier to see the policy impact of your work
- Overton is a database of > 6M policy documents from 180+ countries
- It allows you to quickly find where you & publications are mentioned or cited in policy
- Or to simply search the policy literature
- You can explore this data in the app or export it to PowerPoint or Excel

We're used by a mix of academic and policy orientated institutions

technopolis
group



Government
of Flanders

Northwestern
Kellogg
School of Management



unicef
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CEDEFOP
European Centre
for the Development
of Vocational Training

SEI
Stockholm
Environment
Institute

LONDON
SCHOOL of
HYGIENE
& TROPICAL
MEDICINE

JÜLICH
FORSCHUNGSZENTRUM

ZBW
Leibniz-Informationzentrum
Wirtschaft
Leibniz Information Centre
for Economics

CWTS
Meaningful metrics

Atlantic Council

What we track



- National (& sometimes state) governments
- IGOs
- Think tanks
- Policy orientated NGOs and industry associations
- Internationally - about 40% in English


What we connect it to

We look for references to books, journal articles, reports and blog posts – and for academic researcher names and affiliations in legislative transcripts, workshop attendee lists and more



Hearing: Protecting Democracy During COVID-19 in and the Democratic Awakening in Belarus  House Committees on September 10th 2020 Publication

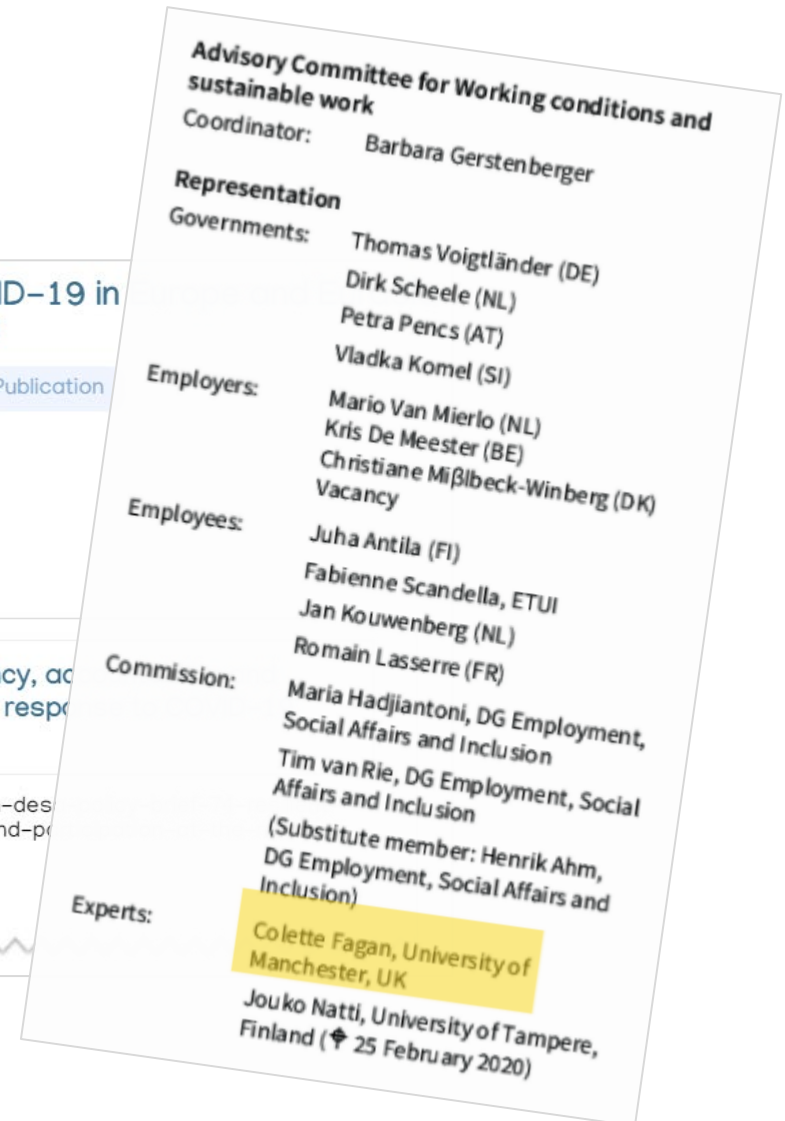
POLITICS **HUMAN ACTIVITIES** **GOVERNMENT**

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Resilient institutions in times of crisis: transparency, accountability and participation at the national level key to effective response
UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs

7 <https://www.un.org/development/desa/dpad/publication/un-des-resilient-institutions-in-times-of-crisis-transparency-accountability-and-participation-at-the-national-level-key-to-effective-response-to-covid-19/>

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Accessing Overton

<https://app.overton.io/>

- You can use the app without creating a login
- But you'll need one for some functionality like tagging or saving results

Two common use cases

Look for your own work

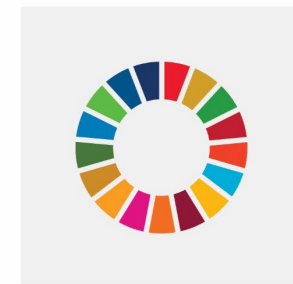
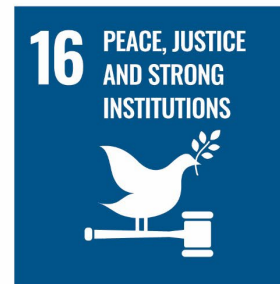
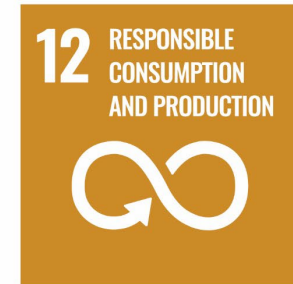
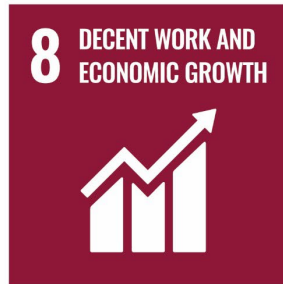
- Given a set of identifiers, find where they've been cited
- Search for your name
- Set up alerts

























































































































Look for relevant policy

- Find policy documents relevant to a topic or keyword search
- Narrow down by country, type & more
- See the research being cited most often
- See the academics most active in the field

Thanks!

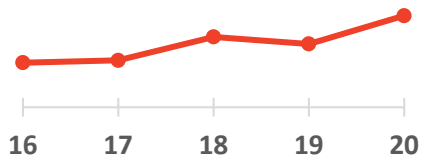
SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS



<div>         </div>		Publications	RAI World	RAI UK	International Co-authorship (%)	FW Citation Percentiles Top 10% (%)	FWCI	Open Access %
GOAL 1: No Poverty		87 	2.67 	1.51 	50.6 	17.2 	1.36 	74.7 
GOAL 2: Zero Hunger		57 	0.66 	0.68 	63.2 	14.0 	1.28 	82.5 
GOAL 3: Good Health and Well-being		596 	0.56 	0.53 	54.0 	15.1 	1.70 	83.1 
GOAL 4: Quality Education		177 	1.77 	1.56 	30.5 	16.4 	1.18 	68.4 
GOAL 5: Gender Equality		135 	2.26 	1.32 	32.6 	21.5 	1.57 	70.4 
GOAL 6: Clean Water and Sanitation		61 	0.50 	0.84 	55.7 	21.3 	1.42 	65.6 
GOAL 7: Affordable and Clean Energy		549 	1.58 	2.20 	74.7 	25.3 	2.08 	70.1 
GOAL 8: Decent Work and Economic Growth		159 	1.60 	1.28 	48.4 	21.4 	1.44 	62.3 
GOAL 9: Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure		306 	1.70 	1.71 	57.8 	23.2 	2.24 	66.3 
GOAL 10: Reduced Inequality		198 	2.18 	1.32 	42.4 	18.7 	1.60 	71.2 
GOAL 11: Sustainable Cities and Communities		263 	1.65 	1.74 	52.1 	20.5 	1.84 	66.2 
GOAL 12: Responsible Consumption and Production		124 	1.32 	1.36 	43.5 	18.5 	1.46 	70.2 
GOAL 13: Climate Action		163 	1.55 	1.12 	62.6 	27.0 	2.04 	79.8 
GOAL 14: Life Below Water		23 	0.35 	0.30 	65.2 	26.1 	3.09 	78.3 
GOAL 15: Life on Land		79 	0.94 	0.77 	70.9 	24.1 	2.23 	67.1 
GOAL 16: Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions		300 	3.29 	1.72 	36.7 	16.0 	1.37 	68.0 
<p>All data is from the Scopus database and the year range 2016 - 2020 (5 year window). Publications with greater than 50 co-authors have been excluded to prevent an inflation of the overall results. Data last updated 7th October 2021.</p> <p>Publications are mapped to SDGs using the same methodology applied in the Times Higher Education Impact Rankings 2021. More information can be found here: http://doi.org/10.17632/9sxdykm8s4.3</p>		Number of publications with a Northumbria University affiliation, mapped to queries used in the Times Higher Education Impact Ranking 2021.	<p>Relative Activity Index (RAI) is defined as the share of an institute's output in a subject relative to the national/global share of outputs in the same subject. (1.00 = as expected)</p> <p>For example, Northumbria published 2.60% of its outputs in SDG 10, while the World published 1.18% of its outputs in the same SDG, the RAI for Northumbria in SDG 10 is therefore 2.60%/1.18% = 2.2. In this case, it would indicate that Northumbria is twice more specialised in SDG 10 compared to the global average.</p>		The proportion of outputs in each SDG that have at least one international co-author.	Field-Weighted Outputs in Top Citation Percentiles indicates the extent to which an entity's publications are present in the most-cited percentiles of a data universe, i.e. how many publications are in the top 10% of the most-cited publications?	FWCI is an attention indicator and is centred on citations. It gives us an indication of how the number of citations received by an entity's publications compares with the average number (1.00) of citations received by all other similar publications	A publication is defined 'open access' when there are no financial, legal or technical barriers to accessing it, thus increasing the visibility and reuse of academic research results. Providing open access also ensures publications are freely accessible to society.

Publications

135 publications (2016-2020)



Rank **33rd** on research volume compared with UK Universities

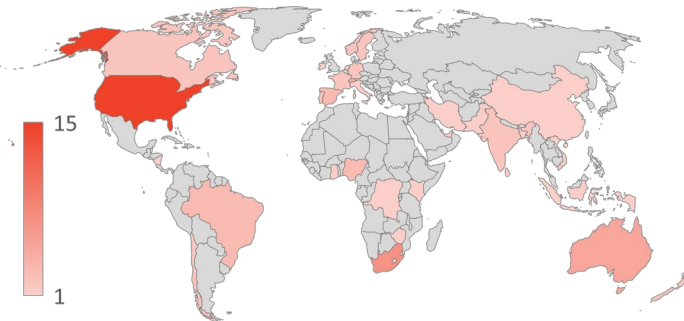


1 researcher ranked in the top 500 in the UK for research volume

Top 50 key phrases from our SDG 5 publications (by relevance)



International co-authorship

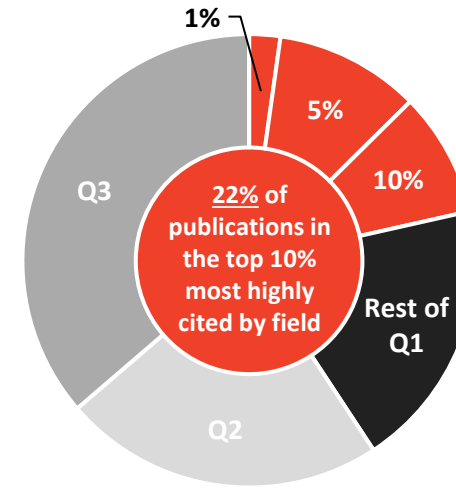


Working with authors from **36** countries

33% of our research has at least one international co-author

Quality research that makes a positive difference: Reach and citations

67 citations in policy across **14** different countries



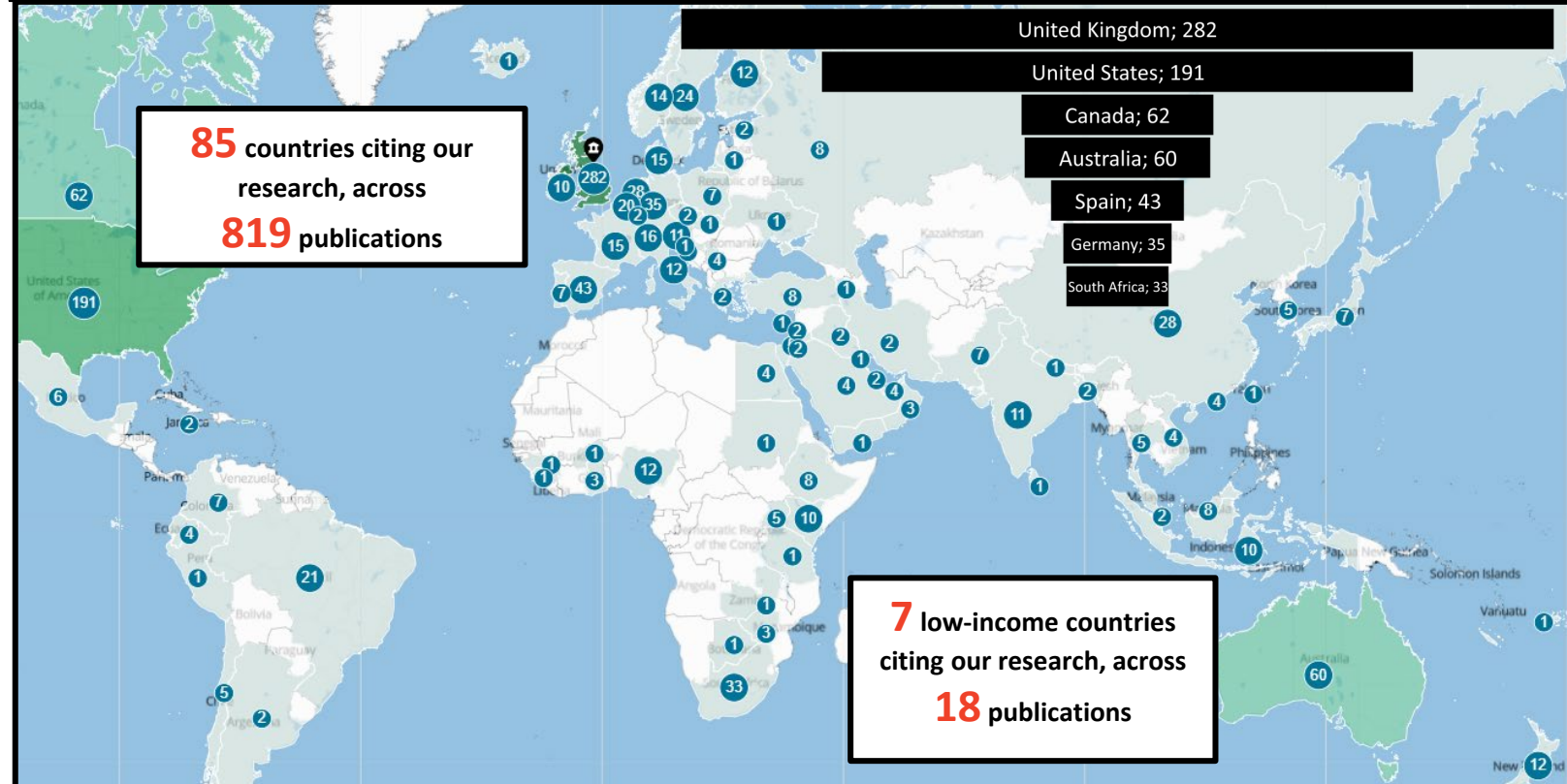
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Field-Weighted Citation Impact: **1.57**
This means we received 57% more citations than expected based on global averages.

Field-Weighted Views Impact: **1.62**
This means we received 62% more views than expected based on global averages.

Global citations



Feedback at Northumbria

I've had a look around Overton and I think it will be useful for my policy document review for my PhD. Once navigation around the site is understood it seems relatively straightforward to use, being able to refine search criteria etc is good. It's brought up other policy documents that I wasn't aware of and didn't think to look for that I think will be useful when reading around my topic to understand the broader picture.

I've found Overton super helpful. I found that my research has been cited twice in policy documents which previously I had no idea about. I am now working on research to build on this earlier work towards an impact case study for the next REF.

Sometimes we are unaware if we have any experts on a particular subject at the university (for example if we are looking for speakers) and so I have run a search on Overton to see if anyone has written a paper on the subject.

I just wanted to say that the Overton database is fantastic – it is so valuable to be able to quickly and successfully identify ways in which my research has had an impact outside of academia. I found examples of my work being used in government policies (on an international level) and in parliamentary discussions. This information would be amazing for supporting grant applications etc.

I work mostly with Public Health Agencies and there aren't very good at letting us know how the findings of our research are used. I think this tool helps to bridge that gap.

I found it really interesting to look at. I'm an ECR so didn't have anything on there personally, but it was interesting to see how research is used in policy making.

This is an incredible resource and one I've talked with academic colleagues about for years. For grants, REF and promotions we are often asked to document where we have made an impact in policy but there is not a search engine for this like google scholar. I've just found a load of policy documents I never knew I was cited in. This really is terrific and I will highlight this to University executives.