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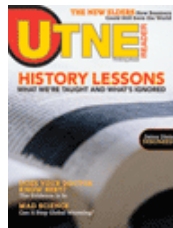
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**Calculate Your Greener Future**  
**Online tools crunch the numbers and give personal sustainability tips**

—By Rose Miller, Utne.com

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A veritable green toolbox for the environmentally concerned is just a few mouse-clicks away. Several online green auditing tools can help you calculate your environmental impact and answer pressing questions about how you can lessen the stress you place on the planet.

[The Personal Environmental Impact Calculator](#)

A good place to start when conducting a personal environmental audit. It helps you measure your weight on the earth in terms of water and energy use, transportation habits, and recycling behavior.

[Ecological Footprint Quiz](#)

The average American might stomp on 24 acres of land and water a year. The quiz helps determine how many acres it takes to support your lifestyle. After you finish the short survey, you can navigate the site's resources for tips on going on an energy-use diet.

[SafeClimate Carbon Footprint Calculator](#)

To calculate your carbon footprint, you'll need to have your home energy bills handy. This site even helps you track your progress in reducing your carbon emissions.

[Add Up Your CO2 Emissions](#)

If you're in a hurry or you've lost (or recycled) your energy bills, this handy survey can help you estimate your average yearly CO2 emissions.

[AirHead Emissions Calculator](#)

This calculator helps you evaluate and track personal pollution on a monthly basis and even generates colorful graphs based on the information you provide, comparing your emissions to the national average and your previous months' emissions.

[Home Energy Saver](#)

This calculator, coupled with a resource filled with energy-use reduction tips, is not for the faint hearted. The Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory has developed the detailed online household-energy auditing tool to help you to track your energy use over time.

[Home Energy Checkup](#)

Maybe you are considering investing a bit of money into upgrading your home with more energy-efficient heating, lighting, or appliances. The Alliance to Save Energy's calculator can help you estimate how much money your green home improvements might save you in energy bills.

[National Wind Technology Center Clean Power Estimator](#)

Considering going off the grid or augmenting conventional power sources with your own small wind installations? The Clean Power Estimator will help determine the viability of wind power on your property.

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