



Sustainable dairy and beef:
Nutrient density and greenhouse gas emissions

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#### Guilt is a primary motivator for people considering going vegetarian or vegan

"I sometimes feel guilty when consuming meat and dairy products"

66% of meat-eaters and flexitarians thinking of giving up meat said "yes" compared to 25% of national population



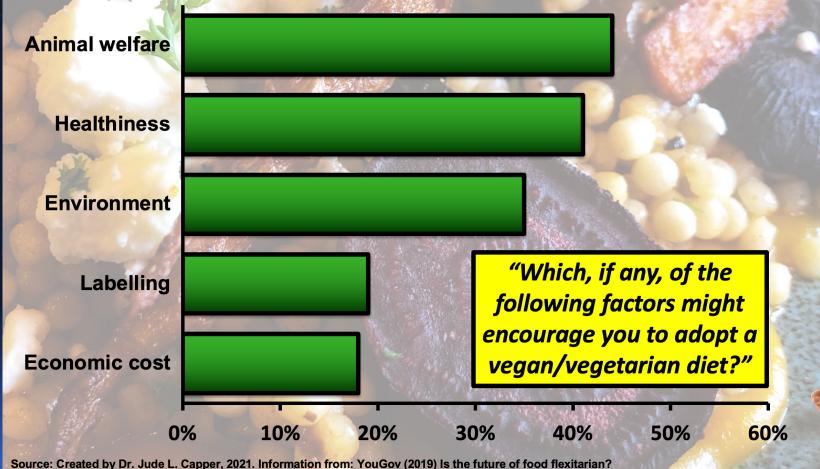
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## Welfare, health and environmental concerns are paramount for people giving up dairy



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#### Plant-based dairy alternatives make environmental claims per unit of volume



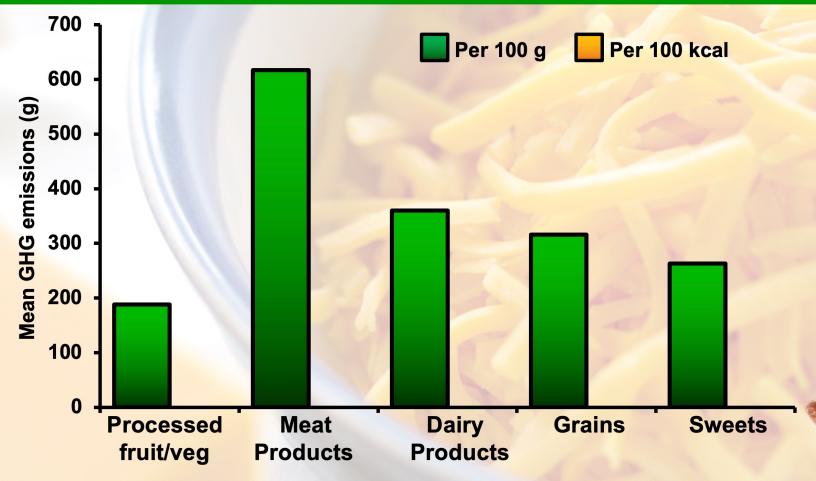




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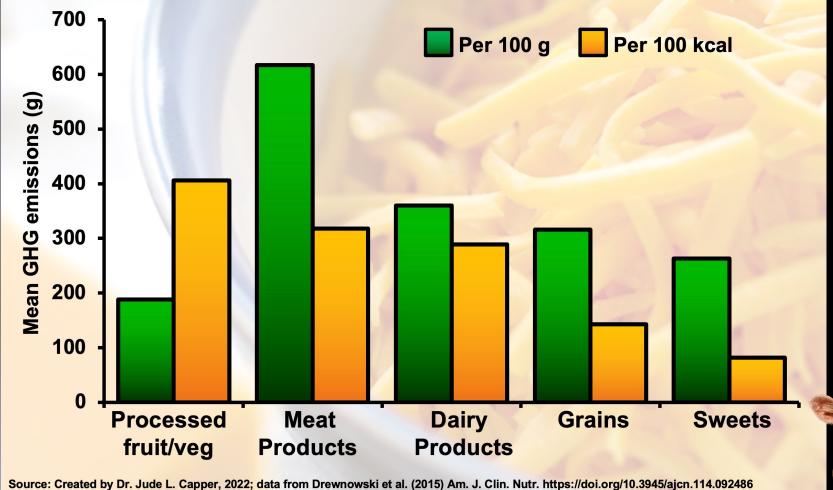
#### Food GHGe rankings vary according to metric



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## Drinks vary in nutrient density and greenhouse gas emissions

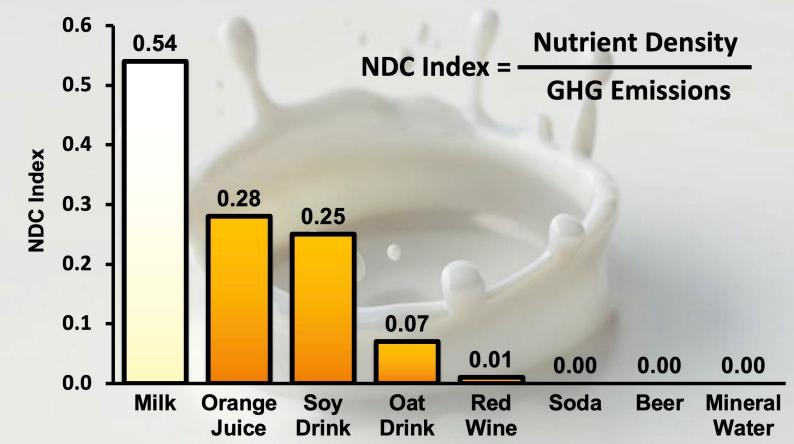
	Nutrient density	Carbon footprint g CO₂/100 g drink	
Whole milk	53.8	99	
Orange juice	17.2	61	
Soya juice	7.6	30	
Oat juice	1.5	21	
Red wine	1.2	204	
Soda	0.0	109	
Beer	0.0	101	
Water	0.0	10	

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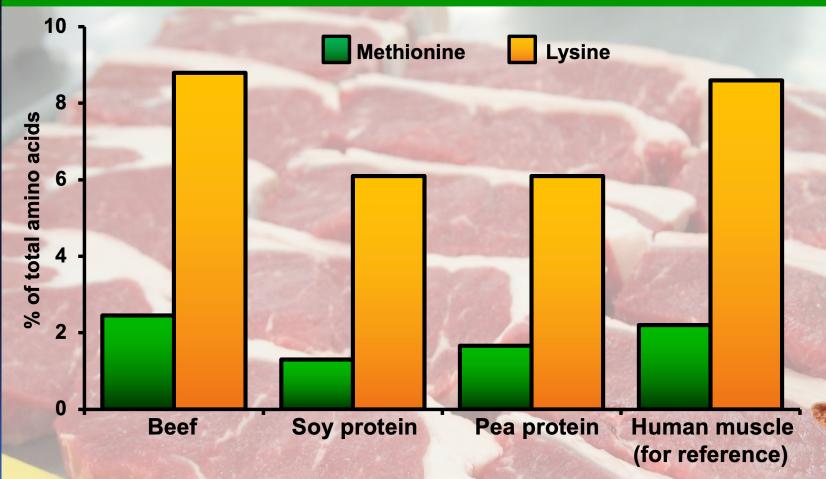
## Nutrient density should be included when assessing carbon footprint



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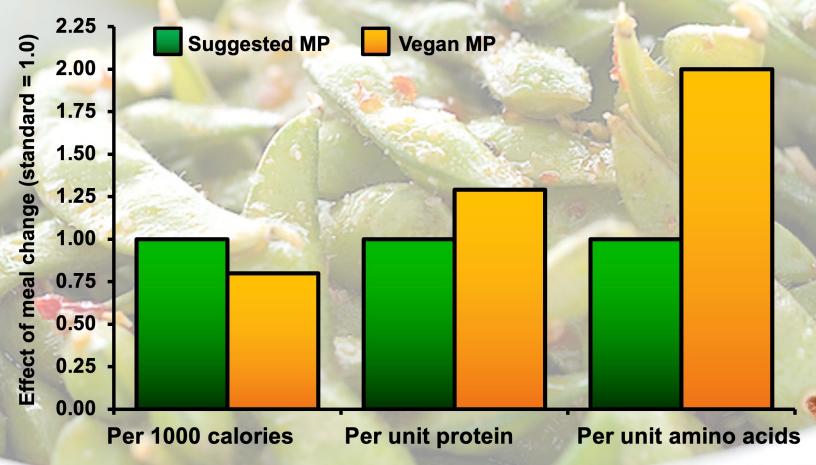
## Essential amino acid content varies according to protein source



Source: Created by Dr. Jude L. Capper, 2021; data from van Vliet et al. (2020) Front. Sustain. Food Syst. https://doi.org/10.3389/fsufs.2020.00128

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## GHGe in Korean suggested meal plan and vegan meal plan vary by metric



Source: Created by Dr. Jude L. Capper, 2022; SMP SMP provided 2.13 times more amino acids than the VMP, with 2.25 times more essential amino acids and 2.03 times more non-essential amino acids. Data from Park et al. (2020) J. Anim. Sci. Tech. https://doi.org/10.5187/jast.2020.62.1.64



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#### Plant-based alternatives tend to be more expensive than meat-based products



Sainsbury's Beef Burgers, Taste the Difference x4 680g

£4.50 £6.62 / kg

British chuck and British flank beef burgers with with salt and pepper.



Vivera Plant Veggie Burgers 200g

£2.50 £12.50 / kg

Plant-based seasoned burger made from rehydrated soya and wheat protein. This product contains added iron and vitamin B12.

Plant-based burgers 1.89x more expensive per kg product (£12.50 vs. £6.62)





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#### Drinks vary in nutrient density and price

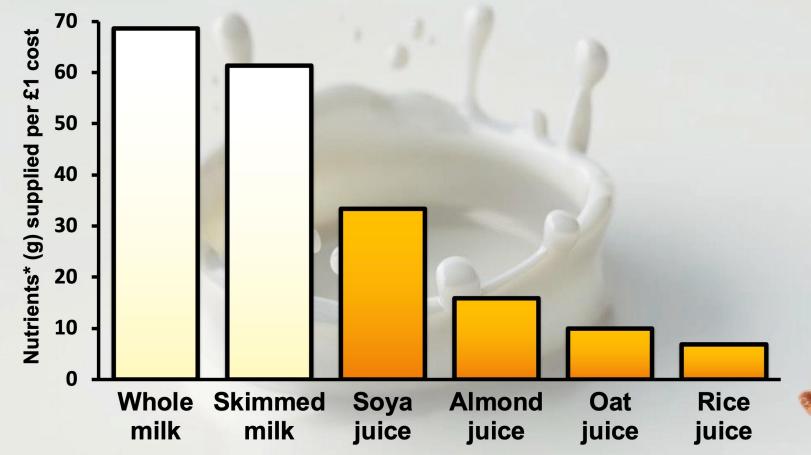
	Positive nutrients* g/250ml	Price, £/250 ml
Whole milk	12.0	0.18
Skimmed milk	10.8	0.18
Soya juice	12.5	0.43
Oat juice	6.8	0.38
Almond juice	4.5	0.45
Rice juice	2.5	0.36

<sup>\*</sup>Positive nutrients comprise protein, unsaturated fat and fibre; does not include carbohydrates, saturated fats, salt

Source: Created by Dr. Jude L. Capper, 2020. Beverage cost and nutrition data derived from the Sainsburys shopping app as of 5/11/2019.



#### Dairy supplies more positive nutrients per £1 than plant-based alternatives



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