

The Sage Encyclopedia of ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE

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The SAGE Encyclopedia of Environmental Justice is a three-volume reference that brings together diverse voices, ideas, and histories shaping the field of environmental justice. While the term itself gained prominence in the 1990s, the core issues—unequal environmental burdens shaped by race, class, and gender—have deep historical roots.

Featuring 362 entries, this comprehensive work spans case studies, legal frameworks, key events, and notable figures from around the world. Grounded in the U.S. experience, where the modern movement gained traction, it also draws critical connections to global efforts, highlighting how environmental justice is defined and pursued across regions and cultures.

Designed for students, researchers, policymakers, and activists, this resource provides the context and insight needed to understand environmental justice as both a scholarly field and a global call to action.

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Contents

- Three volumes with global coverage of environmental justice issues
- Contains 362 entries
- Varying length from 500-5,600 words
- Written by 390 authors
- From 26 different countries
- Affiliated with over 200 institutions
- About 800,000 words
- Roughly 1,350 pages
- Covering 24 major thematic areas (5-30 entries in each)

- Agriculture and Food Systems
- Climate and Weather
- Community Displacement
- Community Impacts and Engagement
- Concepts and Theoretical Frameworks
- Diseases, Epidemics, and Pandemics
- Energy
- Environmental Attitudes and Perceptions
- Environmental Financing
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- Environmental Organizations, Committees, and Councils
- Environmental Policy
- Environmental Quality and Health
- Environmental Systems
- Food Insecurity and Food Access
- Institutional Diversity
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- Law and Regulations
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- Methodologies
- Occupational Health and Safety
- Recreation
- Resource Extraction and Manufacturing
- Social Processes