

6.47 Human comfort Predicted Mean Vote-Predicted Percentage Dissatisfied (PMV-PPD)

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Mean or peak daytime temperature – Predicted Mean Vote-Predicted Percentage Dissatisfied	Climate Resilience Natural and Climate Hazards						
Description and justification	Green urban infrastructure can significantly affect climate change adaptation by reducing air and surface temperatures with the help of shading and through increased evapotranspiration. Conversely, green urban infrastructure can also provide insulation from cold and/or shelter from wind, thereby reducing heating requirements (Cheng, Cheung, & Chu, 2010). By moderating the urban microclimate, green infrastructure can support a reduction in energy use and improved thermal comfort (Demuzere et al., 2014). The cooling effect of green space results in lower temperatures in the surrounding built environment (Yu & Hien, 2006)						
Definition	Mean or peak daytime local temperature by PMV-PPD calculation (unitless value)						
Strengths and weaknesses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> + Mathematical expression of a person’s thermal comfort under indoor steady-state conditions - Subjective evaluation of thermal sensations - The output is not expressed in any temperature units, e.g., °C. 						
Measurement procedure and tool	<p>The model aims to estimate the mean thermal sensation of a group of individuals and their respective percentage of dissatisfaction with the thermal environment, expressed in terms of Predicted Mean Vote-Predicted Percentage Dissatisfied (PMV-PPD). The practical application of the PMV equation and associated variables has been described by Ekici (2016). PMV provides a score that relates to the Thermal Sensation Scale (Fanger, 1970). If the score is zero, the occupant satisfaction regarding the environment is at the maximum level (Ekici, 2016).</p> <p>Thermal Sensation Scale (Fanger, 1970):</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="422 1667 1177 1705"> <thead> <tr> <th>Scale</th> <th>Description</th> <th>How it feels</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td> </td> <td> </td> <td> </td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Scale	Description	How it feels			
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	3	Hot	Intolerably warm
	2	Warm	Too warm
	1	Slightly warm	Tolerably uncomfortable, warm
	0	Neutral	Comfortable
	-1	Slightly cool	Tolerably uncomfortable, cool
	-2	Cool	Too cool
	-3	Cold	Intolerably cool
Scale of measurement	Building scale		
Data source			
Required data	Metabolism, clothing, indoor air temperature, indoor mean radiant temperature, indoor air velocity and indoor air humidity (Rupp, Vásquez, & Lamberts, 2015).		
Data input type	Semi-quantitative		
Data collection frequency	Annually		
Level of expertise required	High – requires the ability to apply the mathematical model and evaluate the results		
Synergies with other indicators	Directly related to <i>Incorporation of environmental design in buildings</i> indicator		
Connection with SDGs	SDG 3 Good health and well-being, SDG 11 Sustainable cities and communities, SDG 13 Climate action		
Opportunities for participatory data collection	Participatory data collection is feasible through direct participation in the indicator assessment		
Additional information			
References	<p>Ekici, C. (2016). Measurement uncertainty budget of the PMV thermal comfort equation. <i>International Journal of Thermophysics</i>, 37, 48</p> <p>Ekici, C. (2013). Review of Thermal Comfort and Method of Using Fanger's PMV Equation. <i>Proceedings of the 5th International Symposium on Measurement, Analysis and Modelling of Human Functions</i>, 27-29 June 2013, Vancouver, Canada. 4 pp.</p> <p>Fanger, P. (1970). <i>Thermal comfort. Analysis and applications in environmental engineering</i>. Copenhagen: Danish Technical Press.</p> <p>Rupp, R. F., Vásquez, N. G., & Lamberts, R. (2015). A review of human thermal comfort in the built environment. <i>Energy and Buildings</i>, 105, 178–205.</p>		