How economic indexes are related to GDP per capita?

The 2019 Global Sustainable Competitiveness Index

The Global Sustainable Competitiveness Index (GSCI) measures competitiveness of countries in an integrated way. It is calculated based on 116 measurable, quantitative indicators derived from reliable sources, such as the World Bank, the IMF, and different UN agencies. The 116 indicators are grouped into 5 sub-indexes: Natural Capital, Resource Efficiency & Intensity, Intellectual Capital, Governance Efficiency, and Social Cohesion.

The correlation between the sustainable competitiveness index in 2019 and the GDP per capita in 2018 in countries is **0.57** - **medium**. Although there are several countries coinciding high GDP per capita with high sustainability index, there are also quite some exceptions, like Estonia, Latvia, Croatia, USA or Australia. In some cases (e.g. Estonia, Latvia, Croatia) high sustainability is not translating into a high GDP per capita; in other cases, high GDP per capita (e.g. USA, Australia) does not require high sustainability.

