

## 2005 and 2010 Energy Use and Greenhouse Gas Emissions Inventory

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## What Jeff requested:

"quick overview of how the inventory was developed for Philadelphia region, with focus on how it was translated to local government inventories."

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## The Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission (DVRPC)



- Metropolitan Planning
  Organization (MPO) for the
  Philadelphia region, created
  in 1965
- Bi-state (PA/NJ), nine counties
- Board made up of representatives of the counties, major cities, key state agencies, Governors' representatives

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## How the inventory was developed

### 2005 and 2010 Inventories:

- Used national inventory categories and methods wherever possible
- Focus on geography of accountability, with an eye to what types of planning activities might reduce emissions – where the energy was used, why the miles were driven.
- Electricity and gas data from utilities, by user class
- eGRID used for electricity emissions factor; EPA used for GWP
- Other stationary energy allocated to region from state totals based on various demographic data

## How the inventory was developed

- VMT from DVRPC travel demand model and MOBILE6 and MOVES (2010)
- Air, Freight Rail, industrial process emissions, derived from national total using regional share of national activity
- Transit, ports, intercity rail calculated from various sources
- Agriculture derived from county-level animal population
   + DVRPC land use from aerial survey

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- Etc. Full details at www.dvrpc.org/EnergyClimate

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# How it was translated to local government inventories

- Key motivation: DVRPC and local utilities were being contacted by munis whose leaders had signed the Mayor's Climate Protection Agreement and/or had joined ICLEI—Local Governments for Sustainabilities
  - VMT data by muni
  - Electricity and natural gas by muni
- We saw opportunities for efficiency, accuracy, and consistency if this was done regionally. Utility was happy to have us take it on for them.
- Allocation method varies by source
  - Sometimes excellent: e.g., billed electricity
  - Sometimes as good as you'll get: e.g., heating oil, VMT

- Sometimes easy to improve locally: e.g., solid waste





#### DVRPC 2005 GHG Inventory Allocation Municipality Data Lookup Sheet

1.) Select Your County 2.) Select Your Municipality	Burlington	
	Bordentown City	

#### Your Selections

Municipality	Bordentown City		
County	Burlington		
State	NJ		
Municipality Code	242		
Municipality Population, 2005	3,955		
Municipality Households, 2005	1,751		
Municipality Employment, 2005	2,248		

#### Totals

Sector	Total Energy Use Billion BTU (BBTU)	Total GHG Emissions (MTCO2eq.)
Residential	64	5,053
Commercial	46	3,795
Industrial	-	-
Mobile-Highway	254	18,631
Mobile Transit	1	104
Non-Energy GHG	NA	3,646
Total	364	31,228

#### Residential

		Energy Consumption			
Electricity	Billion BTU (BBTU)*	% of Total BBTU 13.3%	Physical units		Emissions (MTCO 2 eq.)
	8		2,480,877	kWh	1,377
Natural Gas	18	28.3%	175,570	CCF	958
Fuel Oil & Kerosene	36	56.3%	259,347	Gallons	2,634
LPG	1	2.1%	14,660	Gallons	83
Other Fuels	-	0.0%			
Totals	64				5,053

\*The value shown for BBTU of electricity represents only the direct energy content of the electricity itself, not that of fuels used to generate the electricity. An estimated 12 BBTU of coal (471 short tons), 1 BBTU of oil (178 barrels), 3 BBTU of natural gas (2 million cubic feet), and 0 BBTU of other fossil fuels were used to generate this electricity.

Grey shading indicates that the values were not calculated.

#### Commercial

	Energy Consumption			Total GHG	
Electricity	BBTU*	% of Total BBTU	Physical units		Emissions (MTCO <sub>2</sub> eq.)
	9	20.6%	2,765,367	kWh	1,535
Natural Gas	20	43.7%	193,935	CCF	1,058
Fuel Oil & Kerosene	15	32.7%	108,081	Gallons	1,095
LPG	0	0.5%	2,416	Gallons	14
Other Fuels	1	2.5%			92
Totals	46				3,795

\*The value shown for BBTU of electricity represents only the direct energy content of the electricity itself, not that of fuels used to generate the electricity. An estimated 13 BBTU of coal (525 short tons), 1 BBTU of oil (199 barrels), 3 BBTU of natural gas (3 million cubic feet), and 0 BBTU of other fossil fuels were used to generate this electricity.





## Key take-aways

The perfect is the enemy of the good

Learn to live with uncertainty

- Your data may never be good enough to measure the rate of underlying change due to policies through the noise of natural variation
- Provide instruction to local users on which information is best suited for local improvement (e.g., solid waste as opposed to metered electricity)

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Keep in mind why you are doing an inventory

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