

Climate Progress in US Cities



Factors in Local Climate Progress

Economy

- Fewer resources to reduce emissions
- BUT
- Less consumption and associated emissions

Partnership

- Lack of federal and private sector support
- BUT
- State of California regulations and IOU activity

Local Climate Action

- Emissions reductions primarily from cleaner energy and energy efficiency



Examples of Local Climate Progress

New York City

- 2010 emissions were 13% below 2005
- 5.9 million tons CO2e reduction from electricity resource mix
- 1.5 million tons CO2e reduction from energy efficiency (Greener, Greater Buildings Plan)

Seattle

- 2008 emissions were 7% below 1990 (with population increase of 16%)
- Residential energy emissions decreased 17% - mix of RE and EE

Portland

- 2009 emissions were 2% below 1990 (with 24% increase in population)
- Gasoline consumption reduced to 1990 levels by 2009

Minneapolis

- 2006 emissions were 7% below 2000 levels

Berkeley

- 2005 emissions were 7% below 2000 levels
- Much from residential EE and waste diversion

Tallahassee, FL

- Electricity: 2009 emissions 7.5% below 1990 levels

