

Local Greenhouse Gas Inventory Tool for Government Operations and Communities

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Overview



- What is the Local GHG Inventory Tool?
- How are emissions estimated?
- How are results displayed? And how can results be used?



Background



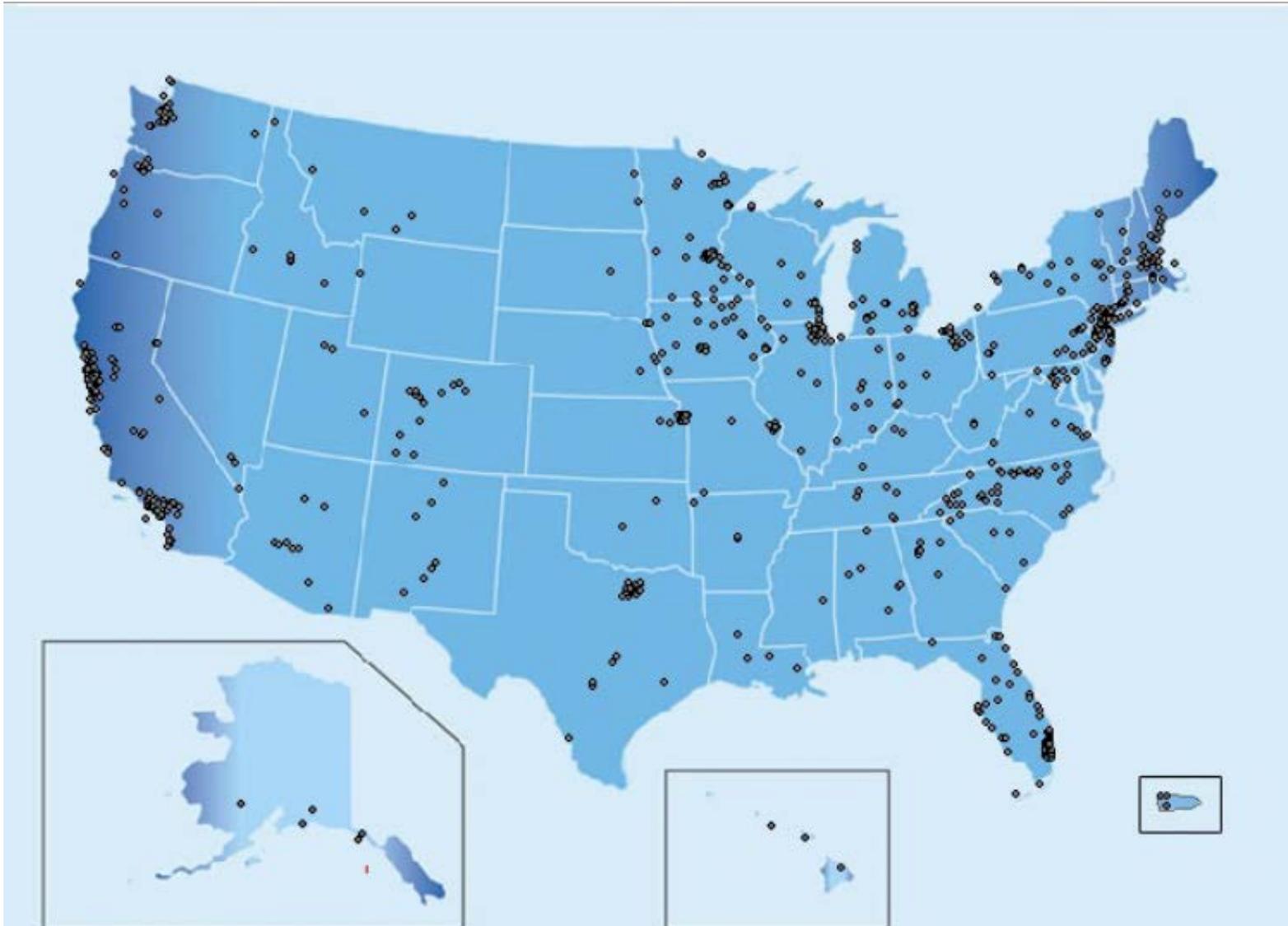
- EPA's State and Local Program began in 1990s
- Developed the *State Workbook* for estimating state GHG emissions; later became Vol. VIII EIIP Guidance
- Inventories are time-intensive
 - Collecting the data
 - Identifying the correct emission factors
 - Setting up the infrastructure to calculate emissions
- Developed the State Inventory Tool (SIT) to help states overcome these challenges

Background



- Leveraged state experience to develop local tools
- It can be expensive to buy licensed software, have tools developed, or to participate in national climate programs
- Localities often require a quick estimate of GHG emissions to move on to mitigation

Local Inventory Background



Source: US Conference of Mayors, April 1, 2015. Available at: <http://www.usmayors.org/climateprotection/map.asp>

Background



- The tool does not include...
 - ...emissions estimates for multiple years at a time.
 - ...emissions projections.
 - ...scenario planning.
 - ...life-cycle analysis.
 - ...benchmarking analysis.

Local Tool



- 2 Excel-based modules to evaluate GHG emissions for government operations and the community

Local Greenhouse Gas Inventory Tools (LGGIT)

- Local Government Greenhouse Gas Inventory Module
 - Based on Local Government Operations Protocol (LGOP), v 1.1
- Community Greenhouse Gas Inventory Module
 - Based on Global Community Protocol

Local Tool

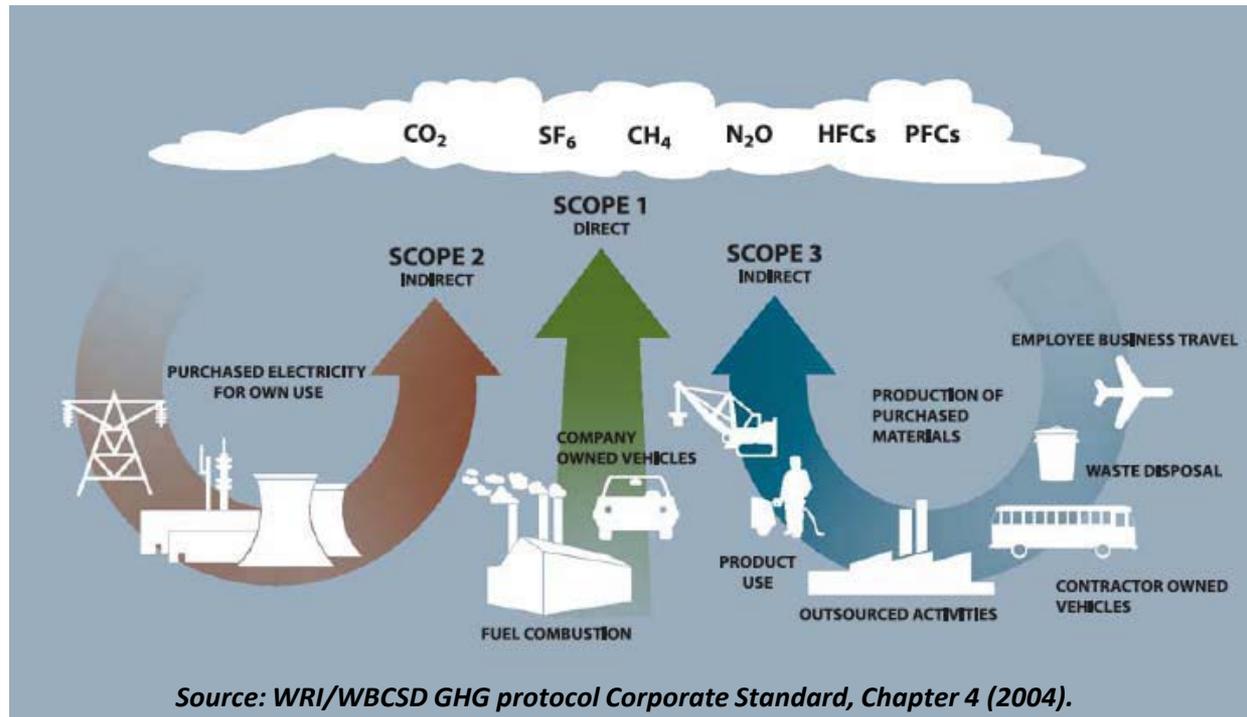


- Designed to accept any level of data granularity
 - Flexible to the needs and constraints of different municipalities.
- Data can be entered at any scale, ranging from city-wide activity data, data by department, to data by facility or meter

Increased granularity of data = increased accuracy and usefulness of results

Local Tool

- Calculates GHGs from local government operations and communities
- Categorized into 3 scopes, with emission sources categorized by scope



Government Module Overview



Scope 1

Stationary Combustion

Mobile Combustion

Solid Waste

Wastewater

Scope 2

Electricity Use

Scope 3

Employee Commute

Agriculture & Land Management

Urban Forestry

Waste Generation

Water Use

Other (Scope 1, 2, or 3)

Additional Emission Sources

Community Module Overview



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Local Tool



- 1 control worksheet to set up each module
 - Municipality, inventory year, department setup, eGRID subregion and emission factors
- 3 types of worksheets:
 - Entry Sheets
 - Data Sheets
 - Calculation and Summary Sheets

Control Sheet

- Tool set up on Control Worksheet

1 Inventory Control Sheet		Re
2	Complete the 5 steps below to set up the tool for your municipality.	
3	1) Please enter the name of your city and the inventory year below.	
4		
5	Municipality	<input type="text"/>
6	Year	<input type="text" value="2020"/> <input type="button" value="▲"/> <input type="button" value="▼"/>
7		
8	2) Please specify the number of departments in your city by using the button to the right of the input cell below.	
9	<i>You should configure the departments based on the type of data you have available and at what scale. Departments do not need to correspond to every department within the municipality, but should be set up to reflect organizational units for which the most comprehensive data is available. For example, if you have City-wide data, you may set up only one department, "City." Alternatively, if you have data broken down by billing units which are different from city departments, you may name the "Departments" after those units.</i>	
10	The maximum number of departments is 20. The minimum is 1.	
11		
12		<input type="text" value="1"/> <input type="button" value="▲"/> <input type="button" value="▼"/>
13		
14	3) Next, please enter the names of each department here.	
15		
16	1	<input type="text"/>
36		
37		

Entry Sheets



- Data entered individually on Entry Sheets
 - Example: Electricity Consumption Data

The image shows a screenshot of an Excel spreadsheet titled "Electricity-Entry". The spreadsheet is divided into several sections. At the top, there is a blue header row with the title "Electricity-Entry" in white text. To the right of the title, there is a button labeled "Return to Table of Contents" and a checkbox labeled "Check if you have completed this sheet". Below the header, there is a section titled "Data Entry & Calculations" which contains three paragraphs of instructions. The first paragraph explains that the user can enter electricity use for each entity. The second paragraph describes how to use the form below, including instructions on how to add, update, edit, or delete records. The third paragraph explains how to change a previous entry. Below the instructions, there are four buttons: "Add/Update Record", "Edit Record", "Delete Record", and "Reset Form". The spreadsheet then has two main sections for data entry. The first section is titled "1 Describe the electricity consuming unit you are entering" and has four columns: "ID#", "Unit Description", "Facility Type (if applicable)", and "Department". The second section is titled "2 Enter the activity data for the year 2008" and has two columns: "Electricity Consumed (kWh)" and "Electric Utility". The spreadsheet also shows a row of numbers from 1 to 19 on the left side, indicating the row numbers.

Data Sheets



- Data entered in a “batch upload” on Data Sheets
 - Template can be exported, and emailed to source experts to collect activity data

The screenshot shows an Excel spreadsheet with the following structure:

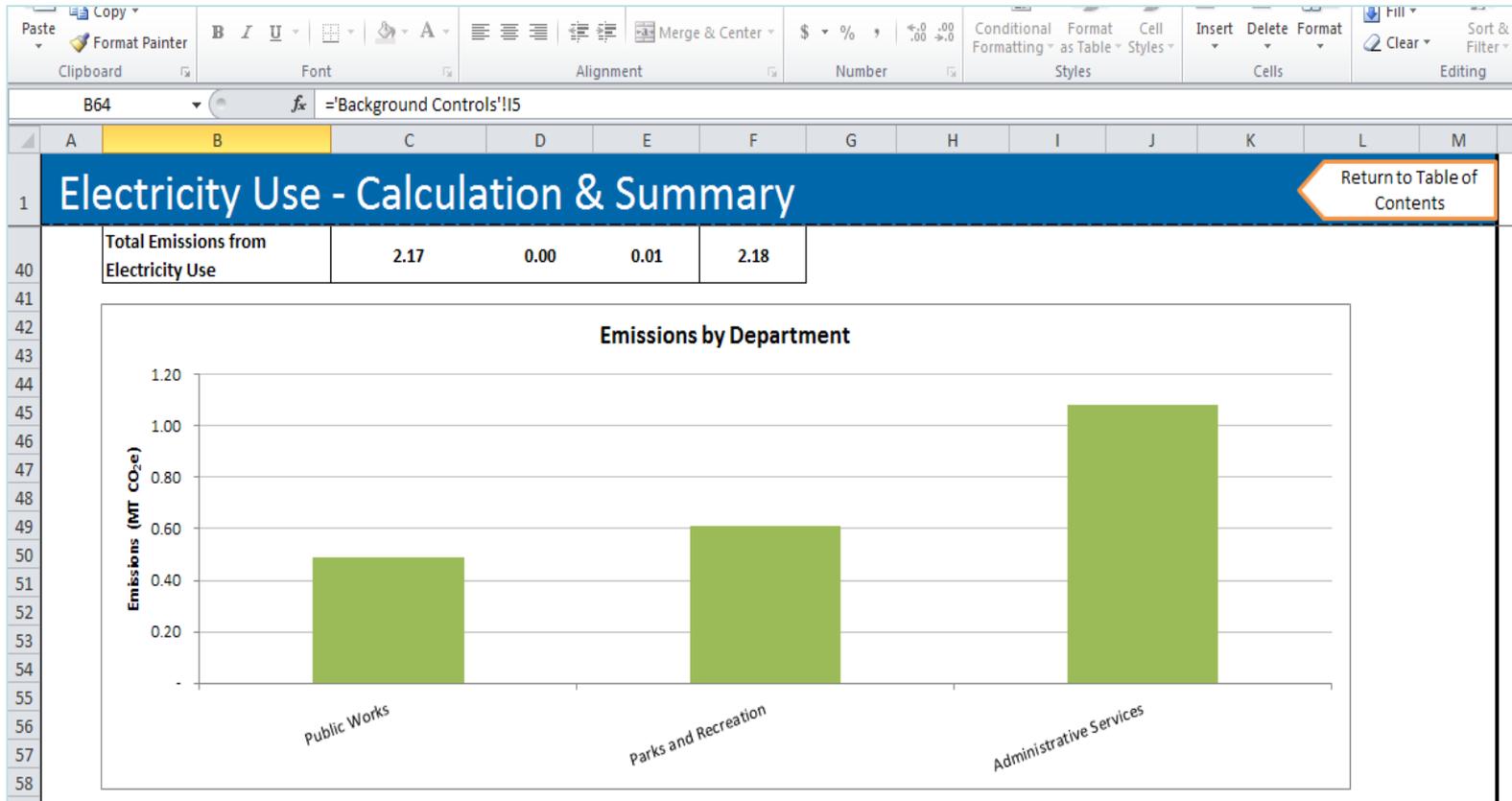
- Row 1:** Title "Electricity-Data" in a blue header cell. To the right are two buttons: "Return to Table of Contents" and a checkbox labeled "Check if you have completed this sheet." which is checked.
- Row 2:** A text box containing instructions: "This sheet stores the individual data records added via the form on the previous sheet. If you wish to add multiple records at once without using the input form, you may directly add data to this sheet. Please click on the button to the right to generate a template file with instructions for this process. Please be careful to follow the instructions and enter data using the format and parameters specified in the template." To the right of this text is a blue button labeled "Create Data File Template".
- Row 5:** Labeled "Linker Row".
- Row 6:** Table header with columns: ID#, Unit Description, Department, Utility, Electricity Consumed (kWh), and Facility Type.
- Row 7:** A row of zeros: 26, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0.
- Row 8:** Labeled "Saved Data".
- Rows 9-28:** A list of 20 data rows, each with a unique ID, unit description, department, utility provider, electricity consumption in kWh, and facility type.

ID#	Unit Description	Department	Utility	Electricity Consumed (kWh)	Facility Type
26		0	0	0	0
9	1111 First Street	Municipal Services	Southern California Edison	101910	Office Building
10	City Building	Municipal Services	Southern California Edison	118200	Office Building
11	15 Elm Street	Building	Southern California Edison	1672381	Office Building
12	Fire Station 1	Fire	Southern California Edison	139400	Other
13	Fire Station 2	Fire	Southern California Edison	103240	Other
14	Police Station B	Police	Southern California Edison	281840	Other
15	Administrative Buildings	Municipal Services	Southern California Edison	248784	Office Building
16	Oak Plaza	Municipal Services	Southern California Edison	46980	Other
17	Central Park	Parks & Maintenance	Southern California Edison	117020	Other
18	96 Street Building	Municipal Services	Southern California Edison	55950	Other
19	95 Dunster Street	Municipal Services	Southern California Edison	64680	Other
20	Finance Department	Finance	Southern California Edison	90990	Office Building
21	Art Museum	Municipal Services	Southern California Edison	97920	Other
22	Small Library	Library	Southern California Edison	133320	Other
23	33 Hayden Ave	Municipal Services	Southern California Edison	1362188	Office Building
24	City Hall	Municipal Services	Southern California Edison	122760	Office Building
25	Police Station A	Police	Southern California Edison	3431920	Other
26	Public Library	Library	Southern California Edison	841483	Other
27	City Building 2	Municipal Services	Southern California Edison	219040	Other
28	California Street	Municipal Services	Southern California Edison	56800	Office Building

Calculation & Summary Sheets



- Data are transparently converted to GHG emissions on Calculation & Summary Sheets
 - Example: Electricity Consumption Data



Emission Factors



- Emission Factors are from publicly available resources

Scope 1	Emission Factor Source
Stationary Combustion	US EPA Mandatory Reporting Rule
Mobile Combustion	U.S. EPA, National GHG Inventory
Solid Waste	U.S. EPA, National GHG Inventory
Wastewater	U.S. EPA, National GHG Inventory
Scope 2	
Electricity Use	EPA's eGRID
Scope 3	
Employee Commute	U.S. EPA, National GHG Inventory
Agriculture & Land Management	U.S. EPA, National GHG Inventory
Urban Forestry	U.S. EPA, State Inventory Tools
Waste Generation	U.S. EPA, National GHG Inventory
Water Use	California Energy Commission

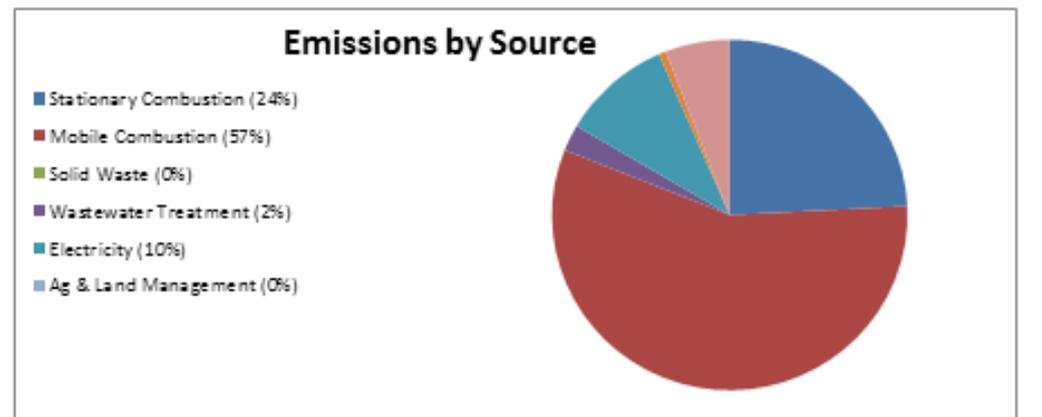
Summary Worksheet



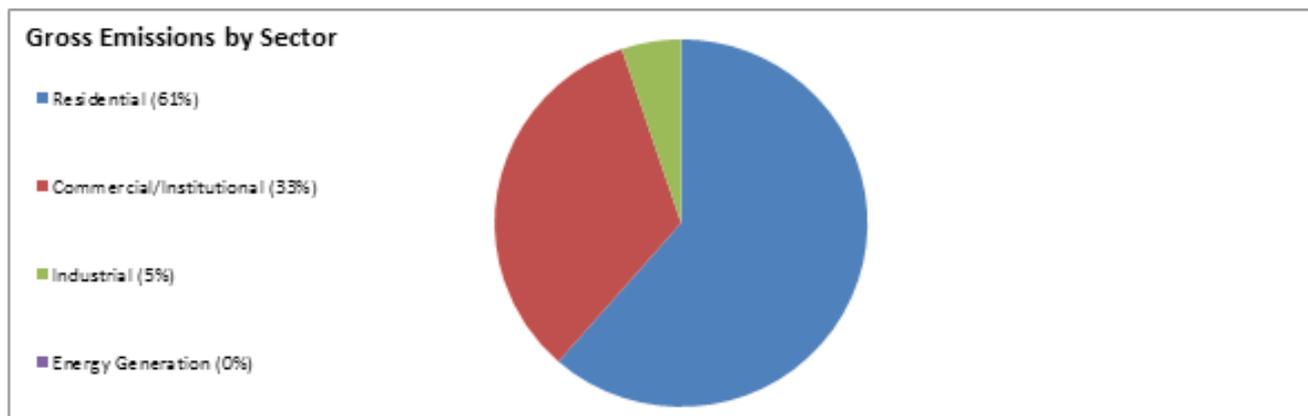
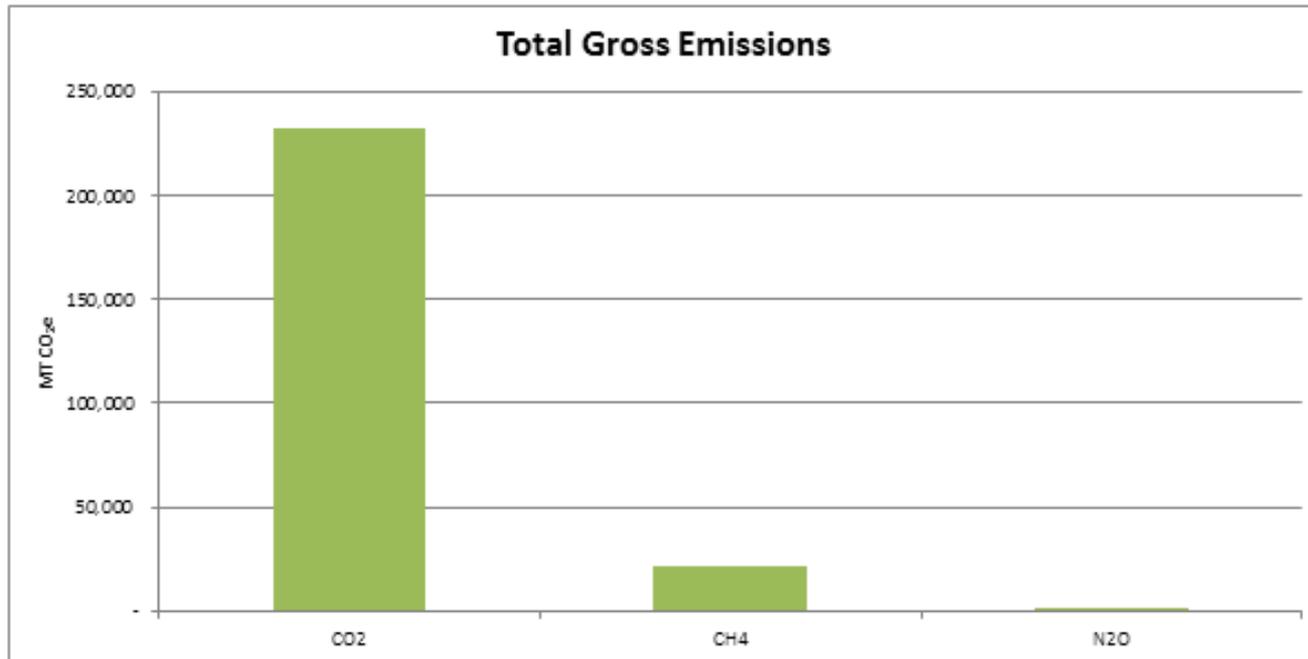
- Tabular and graphical data summaries
- Summary of emissions by:
 - Scope
 - Source
 - Department

Total Utopia, NY Emissions					
	CO ₂	CH ₄	N ₂ O	Total MT CO ₂ e	Percent of Total
Scope 1	205,473	6,181	1,250	212,904	83%
Scope 2	25,414	14	114	25,542	10%
Scope 3	(13,804)	15,001	7	1,204	0%
Total Gross Emissions	232,537	21,195	1,372	255,104	94%
Total Net Emissions	217,083	21,195	1,372	239,650	94%

Emissions by Source (MT CO ₂ e)					
Source	CO ₂	CH ₄	N ₂ O	Total	Percent of Total
Stationary Combustion	61,745	7	0	61,752	24%
Mobile Combustion	143,728	158	1,102	144,988	57%
Solid Waste	-	-	-	-	0%
Wastewater Treatment	-	6,016	148	6,164	2%
Electricity	25,414	14	114	25,542	10%
Water	1,650	1	7	1,658	1%
Ag & Land Management	-	-	-	-	0%
Urban Forestry	(15,454)	-	-	(15,454)	-6%
Waste Production	-	15,000	-	15,000	6%
Total (Gross Emissions)	232,537	21,195	1,372	255,104	100%
Total (Net Emissions)	217,083	21,195	1,372	239,650	



Summary Worksheet



Applications



- Estimate of GHG emissions to quickly move toward mitigation
- Results could provide justification for increased funding of climate programs
- Analyze the GHG impact of mitigation efforts using the Local Tool
 - For example, to track decreased energy consumption from EE programs and improved building codes

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