

## 9. Recalculations and Improvements

Each year, many emission and sink estimates in the *Inventory of U.S. Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Sinks* are recalculated and revised, as efforts are made to improve the estimates through the use of better methods and/or data with the goal of improving inventory quality, including the transparency, completeness, consistency and overall usefulness of the report. In this effort, the United States follows the *2006 IPCC Guidelines* (IPCC 2006), which states, “Both methodological changes and refinements over time are an essential part of improving inventory quality. It is *good practice* to change or refine methods when available data have changed; the previously used method is not consistent with the IPCC guidelines for that category; a category has become key; the previously used method is insufficient to reflect mitigation activities in a transparent manner; the capacity for inventory preparation has increased; improved inventory methods become available; and/or for correction of errors.”

The results of all methodological changes and historical data updates made in the current Inventory are presented in Table 9-1 and Table 9-2. To understand the details of any specific recalculation or methodological improvement, see the *Recalculations Discussion* within each source/sink categories’ section found in Chapters 3 through 7 of this report and a discussion of Inventory improvements in Annex 8. Table 9-1 summarizes the quantitative effect of all changes on U.S. greenhouse gas emissions in the Energy, IPPU, Agriculture, and Waste sectors, while Table 9-2 summarizes the quantitative effect of changes on annual net fluxes from LULUCF. Both tables present results relative to the previously published Inventory (i.e., the 1990 to 2016 report) in units of million metric tons of carbon dioxide equivalent (MMT CO<sub>2</sub> Eq.).

In general, when methodological changes have been implemented, the previous Inventory’s time series (i.e., 1990 to 2016) will be recalculated to reflect the change, per guidance in IPCC (2006). Changes in historical data are generally the result of changes in statistical data supplied by other agencies, and do not necessarily impact the entire time series.

The following source and sink categories underwent the most significant methodological and historical data changes. A brief summary of the recalculations and/or improvements undertaken are provided for these categories.

- *Land Converted to Cropland: Changes in all Ecosystem Carbon Stocks (CO<sub>2</sub>)*. Methodological recalculations are associated with extending the time series from 2013 through 2016 for mineral and organic soils using a surrogate data method, and from 1990 to 2016 for biomass and dead organic matter C associated with *Forest Land Converted to Cropland*. C stock change losses increased by an average of 39.1 MMT CO<sub>2</sub> Eq. (141 percent) from 1990 through 2016 as a result of the recalculation, relative to the previous Inventory. This change is almost entirely attributed to the update of biomass and dead organic matter losses for *Forest Land Converted to Cropland* with newly available re-measurement data for the western United States. Stock changes were re-estimated at the plot-level with the new data consistent with the compilation methods described for *Forest Land Remaining Forest Land*. In the previous Inventory, state-level averages from the plot data had been used to approximate the losses of C with *Forest Land Converted to Cropland* due to a lack of re-measurement data.
- *Forest Land Remaining Forest Land: Changes in Forest Carbon Stocks (CO<sub>2</sub>)*. In the current Inventory the regional approach for carbon stock and stock change estimation in the western United States was replaced by the state-level method used in the eastern United States so carbon stocks and stock changes are now estimated consistently for the entire 1990 to 2017 time series in all states with remeasurements in the national forest inventory (NFI) in the conterminous 48 states. This improvement in consistency also improved separation of *Forest Land Remaining Forest Land*, *Land Converted to Forest Land*, and areas

1 with perennial woody biomass that do not meet the definition of forest land (i.e., woodlands) that are now  
2 included in the *Grassland Remaining Grassland* and *Land Converted to Grassland* sections. As a result of  
3 these improvements, the estimates reported in the previous (i.e., 1990 through 2016) Inventory are not  
4 directly comparable to the estimates in this Inventory. In most cases this was not a loss of forest land area  
5 but rather a reorganization of land into the *Land Converted to Forest Land* category and the transfer of 23.5  
6 million hectares of land with perennial woody biomass that does not meet the definition of forest land (i.e.,  
7 woodlands) into the *Grassland Remaining Grassland* and *Land Converted to Grassland* categories. The  
8 recalculations resulted in an average annual increase in C stock change losses of 38.8 MMT CO<sub>2</sub> Eq. (6  
9 percent), across the 1990 through 2016 time series, relative to the previous Inventory.

- 10 • *Settlements Remaining Settlements: Changes in Settlement Tree Carbon Stocks (CO<sub>2</sub>)*. Past estimates of  
11 carbon sequestration in settlement areas used urban land and urban tree cover as proxy for the settlement  
12 area estimates. This new approach uses settlement land area and percent tree cover in developed land as a  
13 proxy for percent tree cover in settlement area. The recalculations resulted in an average annual decrease in  
14 C stock change losses of 35.7 MMT CO<sub>2</sub> Eq. (47 percent), across the 1990 through 2016 time series,  
15 relative to the previous Inventory.
- 16 • *Land Converted to Forest Land: Changes in Forest Carbon Stocks (CO<sub>2</sub>)*. The availability of  
17 remeasurement data from the annual NFI allowed for consistent plot-level estimation of C stocks and stock  
18 changes for *Forest Land Remaining Forest Land* and the *Land Converted to Forest Land* categories.  
19 Estimates in the current Inventory were based on state-level carbon density estimates and a combination of  
20 Natural Resources Inventory (NRI) data and NFI data in the eastern United States. The refined analysis in  
21 this Inventory resulted in changes in the *Land Converted to Forest Land* categories. The recalculations  
22 resulted in an average annual decrease in C stock change losses of 30.4 MMT CO<sub>2</sub> Eq. (37 percent), across  
23 the 1990 through 2016 time series, relative to the previous Inventory.
- 24 • *Land Converted to Settlements: Changes in Settlement Soil Carbon Stocks (CO<sub>2</sub>)*. Methodological  
25 recalculations are associated with extending the time series from 2013 through 2017 using a linear time  
26 series model, and an update of biomass and dead organic matter losses with *Forest Land Converted to*  
27 *Settlements*. The recalculation led to a 31 percent greater loss of C on average. This change is almost  
28 entirely attributed to the update of biomass and dead organic matter losses for *Forest Land Converted to*  
29 *Settlements* with newly available re-measurement data for the western United States. New stock changes  
30 were estimated at the plot-level with the new data consistent with the compilation methods described in the  
31 *Forest Land Remaining Forest Land* section. In the previous Inventory, state-level averages from the plot  
32 data had been used to approximate the losses of C with *Forest Land Converted to Settlements* due to a lack  
33 of re-measurement data. These changes resulted in an average annual increase in C stock change losses of  
34 18.0 MMT CO<sub>2</sub> Eq. (31 percent) relative to the previous Inventory.
- 35 • *Stationary Combustion (N<sub>2</sub>O)*. Nitrous oxide emissions from stationary sources (excluding CO<sub>2</sub>) across the  
36 entire time series were revised due to revised data from EIA (2018), EIA (2017), and EPA (2018) relative  
37 to the previous Inventory. Nitrous oxide emission factors for coal wall-fired boilers used in the electric  
38 power sector were updated from 0.5 kg/TJ to 5.8 kg/TJ to be consistent with EPA's Compilation of Air  
39 Pollutant Emission Factors, AP-42 (EPA 1997). These changes resulted in an average annual increase in  
40 N<sub>2</sub>O emissions of 15.1 MMT CO<sub>2</sub> Eq. (106 percent) relative to the previous Inventory.
- 41 • *Land Converted to Grassland: Changes in all Ecosystem Carbon Stock (CO<sub>2</sub>)*. Methodological  
42 recalculations are associated with extending the time series from 2013 through 2016 for mineral and  
43 organic soils using a surrogate data method, and from 1990 to 2016 for biomass and dead organic matter C  
44 associated with *Forest Land Converted to Grassland*. No other recalculations have been implemented in  
45 the current Inventory. C stock change losses decreased by an average of 67 percent from 1990 through  
46 2016 based on the recalculation. This change is almost entirely attributed to the update of biomass and dead  
47 organic matter losses for *Forest Land Converted to Grassland* with newly available re-measurement data  
48 for the western United States. Stock changes were re-estimated at the plot-level with the new data  
49 consistent with the compilation methods described for *Forest Land Remaining Forest Land*. In the  
50 previous Inventory, state-level averages from the plot data had been used to approximate the losses of C  
51 with *Forest Land Converted to Grassland* due to a lack of re-measurement data. These changes resulted in  
52 an average annual decrease in C stock change losses of 14.3 MMT CO<sub>2</sub> Eq. (67 percent) relative to the  
53 previous Inventory.

- 1 • *Forest Land Remaining Forest Land: Non-CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions from Forest Fires (CO<sub>2</sub>)*. The methods used in  
2 the current Inventory to compile estimates of non-CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from forest fires are consistent with those  
3 used in the previous (i.e., 1990 through 2016) Inventory, but also include some additional steps toward  
4 better definition of forest area in Alaska, fuel, and combustion. Modifications in each of these factors affect  
5 estimates. Forest within the MTBS defined fire perimeters (MTBS Data Summaries 2018) are estimated  
6 according to NLCD spatial datasets (Homer et al. 2015) rather than Ruefenacht et al. (2008) as in the  
7 previous report. Fuel estimates are based on the distribution of stand-level carbon pools (USDA Forest  
8 Service 2018b, 2018d) classified according to ecological region rather than the state-wide estimates as in  
9 the previous report. Combustion estimates are partly a function of the MTBS severity classifications and  
10 thus can vary within a fire. The effects of these modifications varied across the time series, but more often  
11 lowered the estimates for both CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O. These changes resulted in an average annual decrease in C  
12 stock change losses of 3.6 MMT CO<sub>2</sub> Eq. (28 percent) relative to the previous Inventory.
- 13 • *Wetlands Remaining Wetlands: Changes in Mineral and Organic Soil Carbon Stocks in Coastal Wetlands*  
14 *(CO<sub>2</sub>)*. These changes resulted in an average annual increase in C stock change losses of 3.5 MMT CO<sub>2</sub> Eq.  
15 (46 percent) relative to the previous Inventory.
- 16 • *Petroleum Systems (CH<sub>4</sub>)*. The combined impact of revisions to 2016 petroleum systems CH<sub>4</sub> emissions,  
17 compared to the previous Inventory, is a decrease from 38.6 to 38.2 MMT CO<sub>2</sub> Eq. (0.4 MMT CO<sub>2</sub> Eq., or  
18 1 percent). The recalculations resulted in an average increase in CH<sub>4</sub> emission estimates across the 1990  
19 through 2016 time series, compared to the previous Inventory, of 3.3 MMT CO<sub>2</sub> Eq. (10 percent) with the  
20 largest increases in the estimates for 2005 to 2013 due to the revised data on hydraulically fractured oil well  
21 completions.

22 Finally, in addition to the more significant methodological updates noted above, the Inventory includes new  
23 categories not included in the previous Inventory that improve completeness of the national estimates. Specifically,  
24 the inclusion N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from *Natural Gas Systems* and *Petroleum Systems*.

25 **Table 9-1: Revisions to U.S. Greenhouse Gas Emissions (MMT CO<sub>2</sub> Eq.)**

Gas/Source	1990	2005	2013	2014	2015	2016	Average Annual Change
<b>CO<sub>2</sub></b>	<b>0.7</b>	<b>(0.5)</b>	<b>4.4</b>	<b>6.2</b>	<b>6.1</b>	<b>(0.4)</b>	<b>NC</b>
Fossil Fuel Combustion	(0.8)	(1.4)	1.5	1.7	2.0	(0.1)	1.4
<i>Transportation</i>	1.5	1.2	5.1	4.5	(1.4)	(3.5)	NC
<i>Electric Power Sector</i>	NC	NC	1.5	1.1	2.3	1.9	NC
<i>Industrial</i>	(1.4)	(2.4)	(3.4)	(5.0)	(0.7)	(0.5)	NC
<i>Residential</i>	(0.2)	NC	(0.5)	1.7	1.5	0.8	NC
<i>Commercial</i>	(0.7)	(0.3)	(1.2)	(0.6)	0.4	1.2	NC
<i>U.S. Territories</i>	NC	+	+	+	+	+	NC
Non-Energy Use of Fuels	+	0.7	+	1.0	1.3	1.5	0.4
Natural Gas Systems	0.2	0.1	0.3	0.2	0.2	+	0.2
Cement Production	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC
Lime Production	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC
Other Process Uses of Carbonates	NC	NC	NC	NC	(0.1)	+	+
Glass Production	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	+	+
Soda Ash Production	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC
Carbon Dioxide Consumption	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC
Incineration of Waste	NC	NC	+	(0.2)	0.1	0.1	+
Titanium Dioxide Production	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	0.1	+
Aluminum Production	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC
Iron and Steel Production & Metallurgical Coke Production	NC	NC	NC	NC	+	NC	+
Ferroalloy Production	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC
Ammonia Production	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	(0.8)	+
Urea Consumption for Non-Agricultural Purposes	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	0.4	+
Phosphoric Acid Production	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	+	+
Petrochemical Production	0.1	0.1	NC	NC	NC	NC	0.1
Silicon Carbide Production and Consumption	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC
Lead Production	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	+	+

Zinc Production	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC
Petroleum Systems	1.3	(0.1)	2.6	3.4	2.9	(0.6)	0.7
Abandoned Oil and Gas Wells	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Magnesium Production and Processing	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC
Liming	NC	NC	NC	NC	+	(0.7)	+
Urea Fertilization	NC	NC	NC	+	(0.2)	(0.2)	+
<i>Wood Biomass, Ethanol, and Biodiesel Consumption<sup>a</sup></i>	NC	NC	NC	(0.3)	(0.7)	(2.2)	0.1
<i>International Bunker Fuels<sup>a</sup></i>	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC
<b>CH<sub>4</sub></b>	<b>0.9</b>	<b>3.5</b>	<b>1.4</b>	<b>(0.8)</b>	<b>(3.6)</b>	<b>(4.0)</b>	<b>NC</b>
Stationary Combustion	+	+	+	+	+	(0.1)	+
Mobile Combustion	0.2	0.2	(0.2)	(0.2)	(0.2)	(0.3)	0.1
Coal Mining	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	+	+
Abandoned Underground Coal Mines	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC
Natural Gas Systems	(1.2)	2.7	2.5	1.5	1.6	1.2	1.1
Petroleum Systems	2.2	4.6	5.1	3.5	1.4	(0.4)	3.3
Abandoned Oil and Gas Wells	0.1	0.1	+	+	+	0.1	0.1
Petrochemical Production	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
Silicon Carbide Production and Consumption	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC
Iron and Steel Production & Metallurgical Coke Production	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC
Ferroalloy Production	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC
Enteric Fermentation	NC	NC	+	+	+	1.8	0.1
Manure Management	+	(2.6)	(5.2)	(5.1)	(5.4)	(6.2)	2.3
Rice Cultivation	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC
Field Burning of Agricultural Residues	(0.1)	+	(0.1)	(0.1)	(0.1)	(0.1)	0.1
Landfills	NC	(1.3)	(0.3)	(0.2)	(0.5)	0.3	0.3
Wastewater Treatment	(0.4)	(0.3)	(0.5)	(0.6)	(0.6)	(0.6)	0.4
Composting	NC	NC	NC	NC	+	+	+
Incineration of Waste	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC
<i>International Bunker Fuels<sup>a</sup></i>	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC
<b>N<sub>2</sub>O</b>	<b>15.6</b>	<b>18.0</b>	<b>1.5</b>	<b>0.9</b>	<b>(6.1)</b>	<b>(5.7)</b>	<b>13.7</b>
Stationary Combustion	14.0	16.9	13.4	13.3	11.8	10.9	15.1
Mobile Combustion	0.3	0.2	(0.4)	(0.4)	(0.5)	(0.5)	+
Adipic Acid Production	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	+	+
Nitric Acid Production	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	+	+
Manure Management	NC	(0.1)	(0.1)	(0.1)	(0.1)	+	0.1
Agricultural Soil Management	1.2	1.1	(11.4)	(11.7)	(17.2)	(16.0)	1.3
Field Burning of Agricultural Residues	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Wastewater Treatment	NC	+	+	(0.1)	(0.1)	(0.1)	+
N <sub>2</sub> O from Product Uses	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC
Caprolactam, Glyoxal, and Glyoxylic Acid Production	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC
Incineration of Waste	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC
Composting	NC	NC	NC	NC	+	+	+
Semiconductor Manufacture	NC	NC	+	+	+	+	+
Natural Gas Systems	NC*	NC*	NC*	NC*	NC*	NC*	NC*
Petroleum Systems	NC*	NC*	NC*	NC*	NC*	NC*	NC*
<i>International Bunker Fuels<sup>a</sup></i>	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC
<b>HFCs, PFCs, SF<sub>6</sub> and NF<sub>3</sub></b>	<b>+</b>	<b>(0.8)</b>	<b>(5.2)</b>	<b>(6.6)</b>	<b>(7.6)</b>	<b>(7.8)</b>	<b>NC</b>
<b>HFCs</b>	<b>NC</b>	<b>(0.8)</b>	<b>(5.4)</b>	<b>(6.5)</b>	<b>(7.4)</b>	<b>(8.0)</b>	<b>NC</b>
Substitution of Ozone Depleting Substances	NC	(0.8)	(5.5)	(6.5)	(7.4)	(8.0)	1.7
HCFC-22 Production	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC
Semiconductor Manufacture	NC	+	0.1	+	+	+	+
Magnesium Production and Processing	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC
<b>PFCs</b>	<b>NC</b>	<b>(0.1)</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>+</b>	<b>+</b>	<b>+</b>	<b>NC</b>
Aluminum Production	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC
Semiconductor Manufacture	NC	(0.1)	0.2	+	+	+	+
Substitution of Ozone Depleting Substances	NC	NC	+	+	+	+	+
<b>SF<sub>6</sub></b>	<b>+</b>	<b>+</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>(0.2)</b>	<b>(0.2)</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>NC</b>
Electrical Transmission and Distribution	+	+	+	(0.1)	(0.2)	+	+
Semiconductor Manufacture	NC	+	0.3	+	+	+	+

Magnesium Production and Processing	NC	NC	(0.2)	(0.1)	0.1	0.1	0.1
NF <sub>3</sub>	NC	+	(0.1)	+	+	+	NC
Semiconductor Manufacture	NC	+	(0.1)	+	+	+	+
<b>Net Emissions (Sources and Sinks)<sup>b</sup></b>	<b>21.2</b>	<b>11.3</b>	<b>24.3</b>	<b>69.9</b>	<b>(27.0)</b>	<b>(23.8)</b>	
<b>Percent Change</b>	<b>0.4%</b>	<b>0.2%</b>	<b>0.4%</b>	<b>1.2%</b>	<b>(0.5%)</b>	<b>(0.4%)</b>	

Note: Net change in total emissions presented without LULUCF.

NC (No Change)

+ Absolute value does not exceed 0.05 MMT CO<sub>2</sub> Eq. or 0.05 percent.

\* Indicates a new source for the current Inventory year. Emissions from new sources are captured in net emissions and percent change totals.

<sup>a</sup> Not included in emissions total.

<sup>b</sup> Sinks are only included in net emissions total.

Notes: Totals may not sum due to independent rounding. Parentheses indicate negative values.

1 **Table 9-2: Revisions to U.S. Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Removals (Net Flux) from Land**  
2 **Use, Land-Use Change, and Forestry (MMT CO<sub>2</sub> Eq.)**

<b>Land Use Category</b>	<b>1990</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>Average Annual Change</b>
<b>Forest Land Remaining Forest Land</b>	<b>14.8</b>	<b>18.2</b>	<b>52.4</b>	<b>98.6</b>	<b>11.1</b>	<b>18.9</b>	<b>NC</b>
Changes in Forest Carbon Stocks <sup>a</sup>	17.6	25.2	54.2	100.5	21.0	41.5	38.8
Non-CO <sub>2</sub> Emissions from Forest Fires	(2.8)	(7.0)	(1.8)	(1.9)	(9.9)	(22.6)	3.6
N <sub>2</sub> O Emissions from Forest Soils <sup>b</sup>	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC
Non-CO <sub>2</sub> Emissions from Drained Organic Soils	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC
<b>Land Converted to Forest Land</b>	<b>(27.1)</b>	<b>(38.4)</b>	<b>(45.5)</b>	<b>(45.5)</b>	<b>(45.6)</b>	<b>(45.6)</b>	<b>NC</b>
Changes in Forest Carbon Stocks <sup>c</sup>	(27.1)	(38.4)	(45.5)	(45.5)	(45.6)	(45.6)	30.4
<b>Cropland Remaining Cropland</b>	<b>NC</b>	<b>NC</b>	<b>NC</b>	<b>NC</b>	<b>NC</b>	<b>NC</b>	<b>NC</b>
Changes in Mineral and Organic Soil Carbon Stocks	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC
<b>Land Converted to Cropland</b>	<b>32.3</b>	<b>40.8</b>	<b>43.7</b>	<b>43.6</b>	<b>43.6</b>	<b>43.6</b>	<b>NC</b>
Changes in all Ecosystem Carbon Stocks <sup>d</sup>	32.3	40.8	43.7	43.6	43.6	43.6	39.1
<b>Grassland Remaining Grassland</b>	<b>NC</b>	<b>NC</b>	<b>NC</b>	<b>NC</b>	<b>NC</b>	<b>NC</b>	<b>NC</b>
Changes in Mineral and Organic Soil Carbon Stocks	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC
Non-CO <sub>2</sub> Emissions from Grassland Fires	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC
<b>Land Converted to Grassland</b>	<b>(9.1)</b>	<b>(14.0)</b>	<b>(13.6)</b>	<b>(13.5)</b>	<b>(13.5)</b>	<b>(13.5)</b>	<b>NC</b>
Changes in all Ecosystem Carbon Stocks <sup>d</sup>	(9.1)	(14.0)	(13.6)	(13.5)	(13.5)	(13.5)	14.3
<b>Wetlands Remaining Wetlands</b>	<b>3.5</b>	<b>3.3</b>	<b>3.5</b>	<b>3.5</b>	<b>3.5</b>	<b>3.5</b>	<b>NC</b>
Changes in Organic Soil Carbon Stocks in Peatlands	NC	NC	NC	NC	+	+	+
Changes in Mineral and Organic Soil Carbon Stocks in Coastal Wetlands	3.5	3.3	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.4	3.5
CH <sub>4</sub> Emissions from Coastal Wetlands Remaining Coastal Wetlands	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
N <sub>2</sub> O Emissions from Coastal Wetlands Remaining Coastal Wetlands	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	+	+
Non-CO <sub>2</sub> Emissions from Peatlands Remaining Peatlands	NC	NC	NC	NC	+	+	+
<b>Land Converted to Wetlands</b>	<b>+</b>	<b>+</b>	<b>+</b>	<b>+</b>	<b>+</b>	<b>+</b>	<b>NC</b>
Changes in Mineral and Organic Soil Carbon Stocks <sup>e</sup>	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
CH <sub>4</sub> Emissions from Land Converted to Coastal Wetlands	NC	NC	+	+	+	+	+
<b>Settlements Remaining Settlements</b>	<b>(35.9)</b>	<b>(36.3)</b>	<b>(36.1)</b>	<b>(34.6)</b>	<b>(33.2)</b>	<b>(31.0)</b>	<b>NC</b>
Changes in Organic Soil Carbon Stocks	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC
Changes in Settlement Tree Carbon Stocks	(35.8)	(36.3)	(36.1)	(34.4)	(32.7)	(31.0)	35.7
Changes in Yard Trimming and Food Scrap Carbon Stocks in Landfills	+	(0.1)	(0.1)	(0.2)	(0.5)	0.1	0.1

N <sub>2</sub> O Emissions from Settlement Soils <sup>f</sup>	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC
<b>Land Converted to Settlements</b>	<b>25.7</b>	<b>17.7</b>	<b>18.0</b>	<b>18.4</b>	<b>18.4</b>	<b>18.4</b>	<b>NC</b>
Changes in all Ecosystem Carbon Stocks <sup>d</sup>	25.7	17.7	18.0	18.4	18.4	18.4	18.0
<b>LULUCF Emissions<sup>g</sup></b>	<b>(2.9)</b>	<b>(7.0)</b>	<b>(1.8)</b>	<b>(1.9)</b>	<b>(9.8)</b>	<b>(22.6)</b>	
<b>LULUCF Total Net Flux<sup>h</sup></b>	<b>6.9</b>	<b>(1.9)</b>	<b>24.1</b>	<b>72.2</b>	<b>(6.0)</b>	<b>16.8</b>	
<b>LULUCF Sector Total<sup>i</sup></b>	<b>4.1</b>	<b>(8.9)</b>	<b>22.3</b>	<b>70.4</b>	<b>(15.9)</b>	<b>(5.8)</b>	
<b>Percent Change</b>	<b>0.5%</b>	<b>(1.2%)</b>	<b>3.0%</b>	<b>9.5%</b>	<b>(2.3%)</b>	<b>(0.8%)</b>	

NC (No Change)

+ Absolute value does not exceed 0.05 MMT CO<sub>2</sub> Eq. or 0.05 percent.

<sup>a</sup> Includes the net changes to carbon stocks stored in all forest ecosystem pools (including drained and undrained organic soils) and harvested wood products.

<sup>b</sup> Estimates include emissions from N fertilizer additions on both *Forest Land Remaining Forest Land* and *Land Converted to Forest Land*.

<sup>c</sup> Includes the net changes to carbon stocks stored in all forest ecosystem pools (excludes drained organic soils which are included in the flux from *Forest Land Remaining Forest Land* because it is not possible to separate the activity data at this time).

<sup>d</sup> Includes changes in mineral and organic soil carbon stocks for all land use conversions to cropland, grassland, and settlements, respectively. Also includes aboveground/belowground biomass, dead wood, and litter carbon stock changes for conversion of forest land to cropland, grassland, and settlements, respectively.

<sup>e</sup> Includes carbon stock changes for land converted to vegetated coastal wetlands.

<sup>f</sup> Estimates include emissions from N fertilizer additions on both *Settlements Remaining Settlements* and *Land Converted to Settlements* because it is not possible to separate the activity data at this time.

<sup>g</sup> LULUCF emissions include the CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions reported for *Peatlands Remaining Peatlands*, Forest Fires, Drained Organic Soils, Grassland Fires, and *Coastal Wetlands Remaining Coastal Wetlands*; CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from *Land Converted to Coastal Wetlands*; and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from Forest Soils and Settlement Soils.

<sup>h</sup> LULUCF Carbon Stock Change includes any C stock gains and losses from all land use and land use conversion categories.

<sup>i</sup> The LULUCF Sector Net Total is the net sum of all CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions to the atmosphere plus net carbon stock changes.

Notes: Totals may not sum due to independent rounding. Parentheses indicate net sequestration.