

Municipal and Community Greenhouse Gas Inventory

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Changing the Baseline

2006 Report

- Did not include values for N₂O and CH₄.
- CO₂ Equivalency values are out of date.

2012 Report

- More in depth than previous inventory.
- Had to make comparisons with 2006 energy usage alone.
- Aim to completely replicate data for 2018 calendar year.
- More up-to-date.

2018 Report

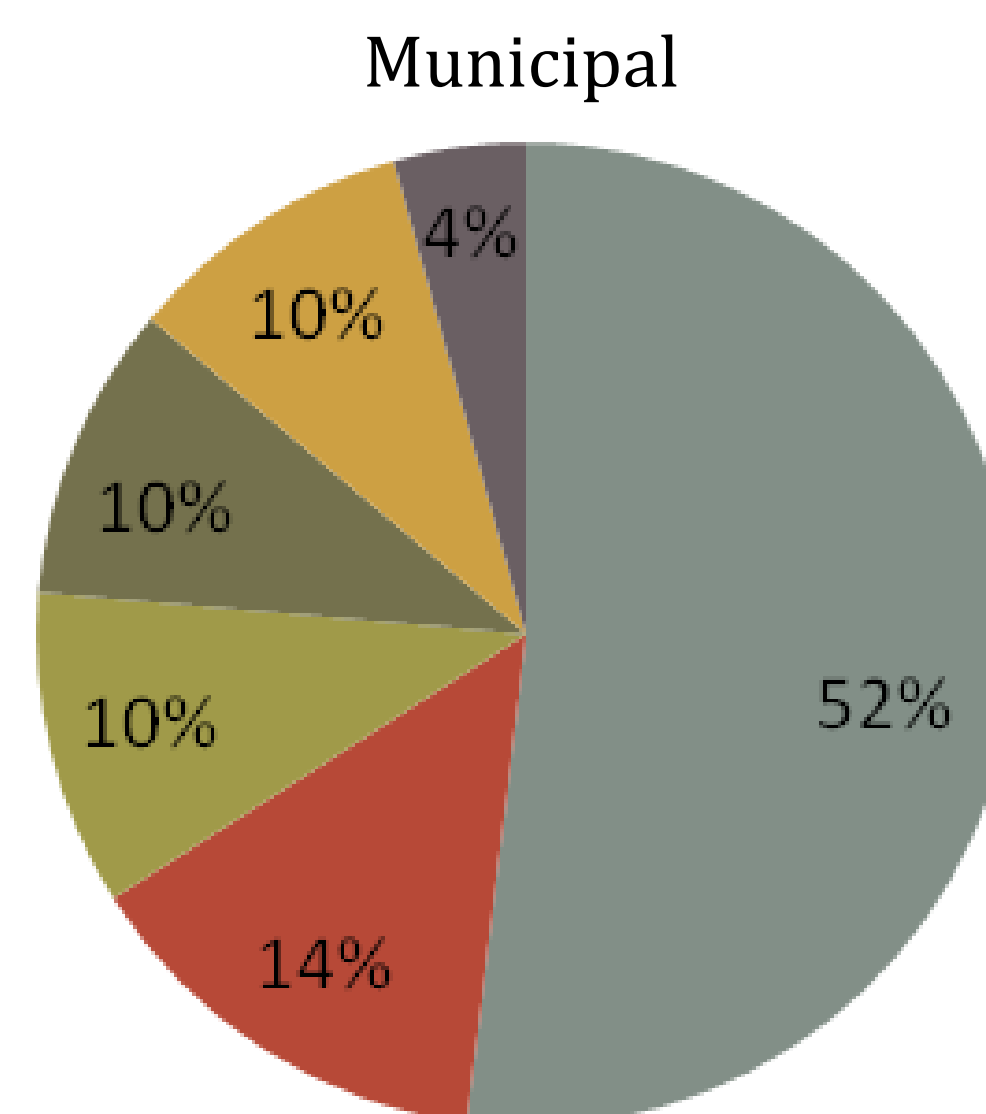
- Plan to update 2012 report.
- Will be compared directly with 2012 measured values. [1]

Chemical formula	GWP values for 100-year time horizon		
	Second Assessment Report (SAR)	Fourth Assessment Report (AR4)	Fifth Assessment Report (AR5)
CO ₂	1	1	1
CH ₄	21	25	28
N ₂ O	310	298	265



Previous Breakdown

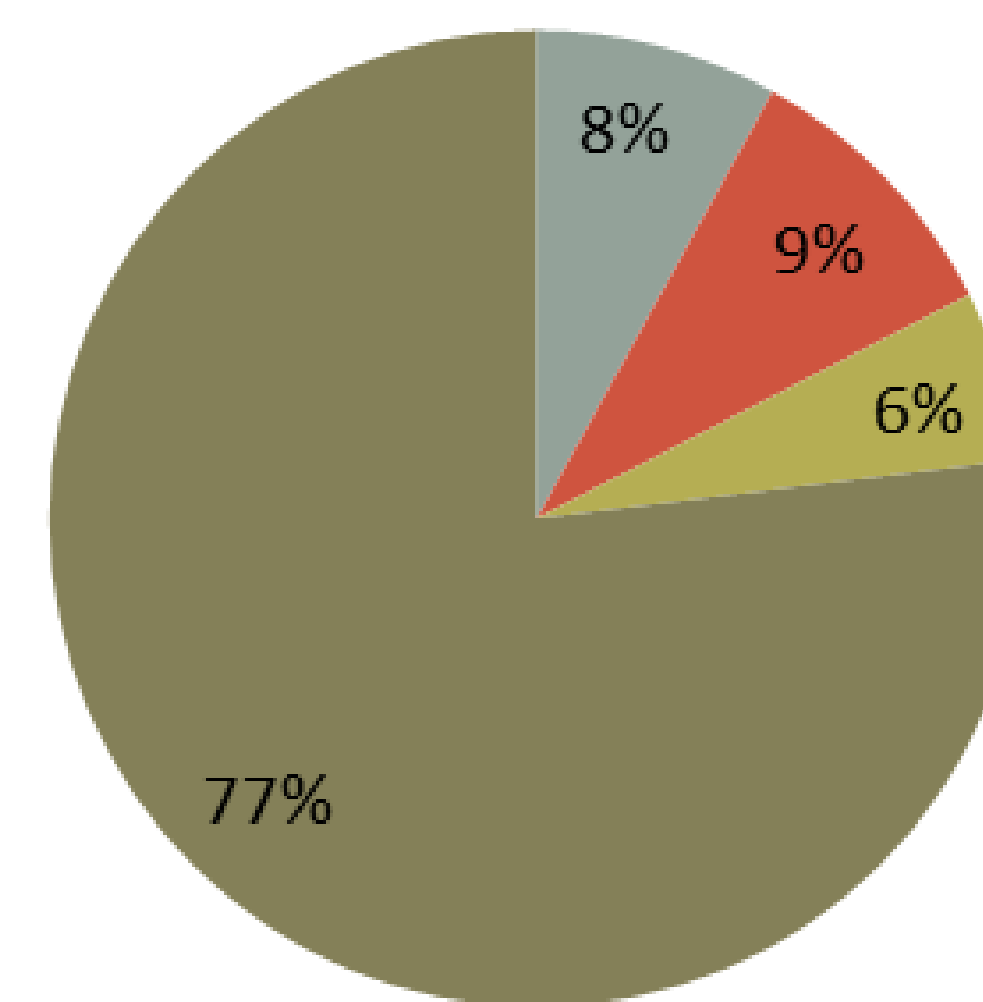
2012



■ Buildings
■ Wastewater Facilities
■ Employee Commute
■ Vehicle Fleet*
■ Water Delivery Facilities
■ Streetlights

Community

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■ Residential
■ Commercial
■ Industrial
■ Transportation

Category	Tonnes CO ₂ e
Buildings	8,008
Water Delivery Facilities	2,447
Employee Commute	1,606
Vehicle Fleet*	1,502
Wastewater Facilities	1,185
Streetlights	671
Total	15,419
Residential	126,447
Commercial	147,168
Industrial	88,835
Transportation	1,209,093
Waste	404
Total	1,571,947

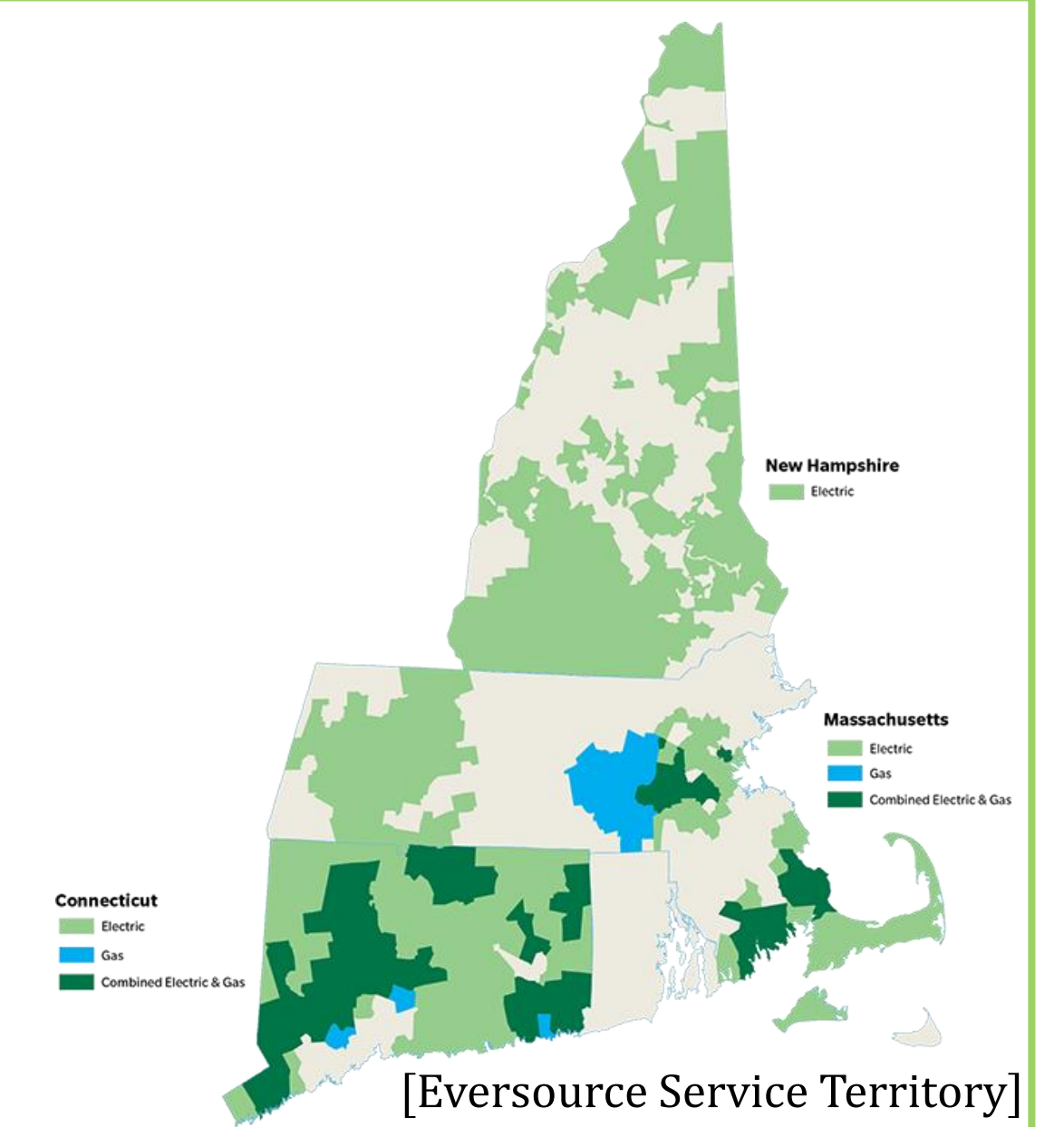
Difficulties

Accuracy

- Refrigerants
- Vehicle Data
- RECs

Responses

- Unutil
- Eversource
- Propane and Fuel Oil Data
- Extensiveness of data sets



It is difficult to mitigate what is not being monitored.

References

1. Greenhouse Gas Protocol: Global Warming Potential Values
2. 2012 Greenhouse Gas Inventory: Portsmouth, NH