



ENERGY STAR® OVERVIEW OF 2011 ACHIEVEMENTS

ENERGY EFFICIENCY IS AN INVESTMENT IN OUR FUTURE

Improving energy efficiency is one of the easiest, fastest, and most cost-effective solutions for reducing greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions, which contribute to climate change. As one of our nation's important environmental challenges, climate change demands practical, proven solutions that can be implemented today to protect us tomorrow. Under the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA's) leadership many American consumers, businesses, and organizations have already taken action. Their investments in energy efficiency are transforming the market for efficient products and practices, creating jobs, and stimulating the economy. Working together in the coming years, we can accelerate the efficiency improvements at home, at work, and in our communities and continue to make positive impacts on human health and the environment.

The ENERGY STAR program has been instrumental in identifying cost-effective, innovative solutions for reducing GHG emissions since it was launched by EPA in 1992. This voluntary program has boosted the adoption of energy-efficient products, practices, and services through valuable partnerships, objective measurement tools, and consumer education. EPA will continue to dismantle barriers to widespread energy efficiency through ENERGY STAR by serving as a trusted source of unbiased information that helps consumers and businesses make choices that are good for the environment and the economy.

This document provides a brief overview of key ENERGY STAR achievements in 2011. A more comprehensive summary of the program's accomplishments will be available later in 2012.

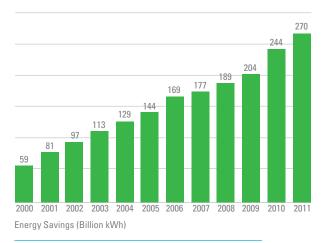
RESULTS FOR 2011

A diverse set of organizations have joined forces with EPA through ENERGY STAR to protect the climate while bringing the value of energy efficiency to their customers, the public, and their own organizations. Through 2011, nearly 20,000 organizations have partnered with EPA, improved efficiency, and realized significant financial and environmental benefits.

Americans, with the help of ENERGY STAR, prevented 210 million metric tons of GHG emissions¹ in 2011 alone—equivalent to the annual emissions from 41 million vehicles—and reduced their utility bills by \$23 billion (see Fig. 1).

It is the millions of Americans and these committed partners who have tapped the value of ENERGY STAR, increased efficiency at work and at home, and prevented GHG emissions—increasing savings dramatically from the 0.7 million metric tons in 1993.²

Fig. 1. Since 2000, ENERGY STAR Benefits Have More Than Tripled



²⁷ 27 29 31 27 2000 2001 2002 2003 2004 2005 2006 2007 2008 2009 2010 2011 Emissions Avoided in Vehicle Equivalents (Millions)

All reductions in annual greenhouse gas emissions (GHG) are reported in million metric tons of carbon dioxide equivalent (MMTCO,e).





ENERGY STAR FOR PRODUCTS

The American public trusts ENERGY STAR as the national symbol for energy efficiency to inform their purchasing decisions, save them money, and protect the environment. By relying on ENERGY STAR for efficient products, Americans know they can save on utility bills while reducing GHG emissions.

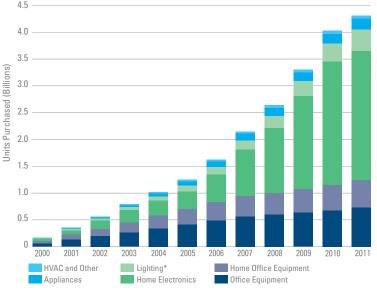
Qualified Products. Americans purchased about 280 million ENERGY STAR qualified products in 2011 across more than 60 product categories for a cumulative total of more than 4 billion products since 2000 (see Fig. 2). Qualified products—including appliances, heating and cooling equipment, consumer electronics, office equipment, lighting fixtures, and more—offer consumers savings of as much as 65% relative to standard models. Today, more than 80% of the American public recognizes the ENERGY STAR label. Of the households that knowingly purchased an ENERGY STAR qualified product, about 75% credited the label as an important factor in their decision.

ENERGY STAR Product Specifications. EPA updated performance requirements for set-top boxes, televisions, ventilation fans, ceiling fans, furnaces, dehumidifiers, residential dishwashers, and commercial fryers. New, technology-neutral performance requirements were introduced for light fixtures.

Third-Party Certification for ENERGY STAR Qualified Products.

EPA's testing and certification requirements improved the oversight of ENERGY STAR qualified products across more than 60 product categories. Nearly 400 laboratories from all over the world were recognized by EPA to test ENERGY STAR products, and 21 certification bodies are now approved to certify product performance and report data to the Agency. By year's end, over 15,000 products were certified and an additional 10,000 were registered for verification testing purposes. Verification testing ramped up and 53 models were disqualified. This emphasis on testing and product review bolsters the integrity of the program and reinforces consumer confidence in the ENERGY STAR brand.





^{*}Lighting category does not include purchases of compact fluorescent bulbs

Change the World, Start with ENERGY STAR Campaign.

American families continue to help protect the environment as part of EPA's Change the World, Start with ENERGY STAR national campaign. Through 2011, nearly 3 million people took the ENERGY STAR Pledge, committing to make energy-efficient changes at home. Kids across the country helped their families save energy through partnerships with Boys & Girls Clubs of America and DoSomething.org. The Be an ENERGY STAR Video Challenge gave people the opportunity to share their stories and vote on their favorites through social media. Also, the ENERGY STARs Across America map highlighted more than 70 partners and 800 events nationwide, and helped people learn more about saving energy—all part of the growing national movement to help protect the climate through ENERGY STAR.

ENERGY STAR FOR HOMES

Today the American dream of home ownership is alive and well, with special emphasis on getting the most value from the investments we make in our homes. Through ENERGY STAR, EPA works to increase the energy efficiency of the nation's new and existing housing stock, while reducing Americans' utility bills and helping to protect the environment.

Transition to New Requirements for ENERGY STAR

Certified Homes. EPA began phasing in new, more rigorous requirements for ENERGY STAR certified homes in 2011. Once the new requirements are fully implemented in 2012, these homes will be at least 15% more efficient than those built to the 2009 International Energy Conservation Code (IECC), and will include additional features to deliver a performance advantage of up to 30% compared to typical new homes. Many leading home builders have already committed to building to EPA's new requirements. More than 127,000 new homes earned the ENERGY STAR in 2011, bringing the total number of certified homes to more than 1.3 million (see Fig. 3).

ENERGY STAR for New Multifamily High-Rise Buildings. New and substantially rehabilitated multifamily high-rise buildings became eligible to earn the ENERGY STAR for the first time in 2011, giving property owners the opportunity to increase asset value and offer tenants more efficient, comfortable homes. In 2011, 733 units were completed for a total of 2,605 units since the inception of the program. These high-rise buildings must meet EPA's energy efficiency guidelines and be designed to be at least 15% more efficient than the building energy code.

Home Performance with ENERGY STAR. In 2011, more than 50,000 homes were improved through the whole house retrofit program, Home Performance with ENERGY STAR (HPwES). This work was performed by 50 locally sponsored programs, including 13 new programs launched in 2011, and over 1,800 participating contractors across the nation. Since the program's inception, more than 150,000 homes have been improved through HPwES. On October 1, 2011, management of HPwES was officially transferred to the U.S. Department of Energy.

Energy Efficiency Guidance and Tools for Homeowners. More than 1.3 million Americans visited the ENERGY STAR website in 2011 to find trusted information about home efficiency improvements, and utilize the Home Energy Yardstick and Home Energy Advisor to

assess their homes' energy use and get recommendations to help reduce utility bills and improve comfort.

Affordable Housing. In 2011, more than 5,600 ENERGY STAR certified homes were built within the affordable housing sector using funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's HOME program. In addition, more than 320 Habitat for Humanity affiliates nationwide built nearly 1,700 ENERGY STAR certified homes for low-income families.

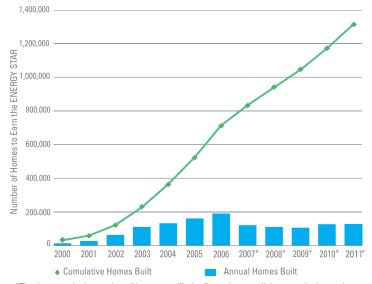
ENERGY STAR FOR BUSINESS

Leading organizations continue to build the business and environmental case for improving energy efficiency in the buildings where we work, play, and learn. They are adopting strategies, technologies, and practices to increase the efficiency of U.S. buildings and plants based on EPA's proven ENERGY STAR framework. These leaders are sharing successes and demonstrating energy efficiency solutions through one of the largest and most diverse networks in the country.

ENERGY STAR Certification for Top Performance. In another record-setting year, more than 7,500 buildings and plants were certified as ENERGY STAR, for a total of nearly 16,500 buildings. Verified by independently licensed professional engineers or registered architects, ENERGY STAR certified buildings use 35% less energy and are responsible for 35% fewer GHG emissions than average buildings. These certified buildings act as models to drive the market toward ever greater efficiency.

Significant Portfolio-Wide Savings. More than 200 leading companies and school districts have been recognized as ENERGY STAR Leaders for portfolio-wide energy savings. For the first time an organization achieved a 60% portfolio-wide improvement milestone in 2011, and nearly half of the organizations have reached a milestone reduction of 20% or more. Energy management strategies—such as executive commitment; active involvement of staff, tenants, or students; and investment in new technologies—were integral to their success.

Fig. 3. More than 1.3 Million Homes Nationwide Have Earned the ENERGY STAR Label



^{*}The decrease in the number of homes certified reflects the overall decrease in the total number of homes built.

Reductions. The 2011 Battle of the Buildings competition featured teams from 245 buildings across the country working to save the most energy in one year through team work, educational campaigns, operational changes, and equipment replacements. The building teams saved \$5.2 million on annual

Individual Buildings Compete and Post Large Energy

utility bills, with the top 10 contestants reducing energy by at least 30%, and the winner achieving an impressive 63% in savings. Best practices continue to accumulate and spread throughout organizations' portfolios.

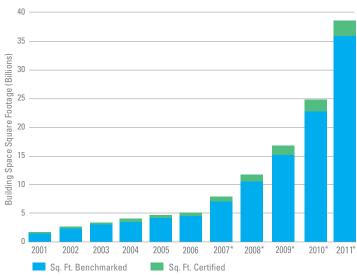
Benchmarking As Standard Business Practice. EPA estimates the energy use of 35 billion square feet or close to 40% of U.S. commercial building space has been tracked and benchmarked through EPA's ENERGY STAR Portfolio Manager™—representing a remarkable 50% increase from the previous year (see Fig. 4). The growth in benchmarking is a result of EPA's strategic partnerships with public and private sector organizations, including energy disclosure and benchmarking laws in local jurisdictions requiring Portfolio Manager. EPA is helping them tap into the power of ENERGY STAR to develop energy efficiency programs and policies, as well as educational campaigns. Portfolio Manager and the ENERGY STAR energy performance scale, introduced over a

decade ago, have helped establish the importance of charting

a successful path for measurable improvement.

New Levels of Industrial Efficiency. After nearly a decade of energy efficiency work with the cement sector, EPA rebenchmarked the energy performance of U.S. cement plants, revealing dramatic improvements in energy efficiency across the industry, including a 13% improvement in energy intensity. In 2011, EPA expanded the use of ENERGY STAR tools in the concrete manufacturing, dairy processing, and printing industries. A record number of industrial plants committed to the ENERGY STAR Challenge for Industry, and 60 plants met or exceeded their targets in 2011 by achieving a 10% reduction in energy intensity, saving 16 trillion Btu in energy and preventing the equivalent of nearly 1 million metric tons of GHG emissions.

Fig. 4. Steady Growth in Building Space Benchmarked and Certified



*2001-2008 includes only buildings eligible to receive an ENERGY STAR energy performance score. 2009 and beyond includes those buildings as well as buildings eligible to receive an EUI (Energy Use Intensity).





ENERGY STAR® AWARD WINNERS

CORPORATE COMMITMENT

Sears Holdings Corporation Hoffman Estates, IL

SUSTAINED EXCELLENCE

3M

St. Paul. MN

Andersen Corporation Bayport, MN

APS (Arizona Public Service) *Phoenix, AZ*

ArcelorMittal USA Chicago, IL

Austin Energy Austin, TX

Bentall Kennedy (US) Seattle, WA

Bosch Home Appliances Irvine, CA

Building Owners and Managers Association (BOMA) International Washington, DC

CalPortland Company Glendora, CA

CBRE

Los Angeles, CA

CenterPoint Energy Houston, TX

Ecova, Inc. Spokane, WA

Energy Education, Inc. *Dallas, TX*

Energy Inspectors Las Vegas, NV

Energy Trust of Oregon Portland, OR

EnergyLogic Berthoud, CO

Evergreen Public Schools Vancouver, WA

Focus on Energy Middleton, WI

Food Lion Family, Bloom, and Bottom Dollar Food Salisbury, NC

GE Appliances & Lighting Louisville, KY

Gresham-Barlow School District

Gresham, OR
Habitat for Humanity of Greater

Nashville
Nashville, TN
Hanesbrands Inc.

Winston-Salem, NC

HEI Hotels & Resorts Norwalk, CT

Hines Houston, TX

ITW Food Equipment Group LLC Troy, OH

J. C. Penney Company, Inc. *Plano, TX*

Joint Management Committee West Dennis, MA

Jones Lang LaSalle Chicago, IL

KB Home Los Angeles, CA

Kohl's Department Stores, Inc. Menomonee Falls, WI

Loudoun County Public Schools Broadlands, VA

Lowe's Companies, Inc. *Mooresville, NC*

Manitowoc Foodservice New Port Richey, FL

Merck & Co., Inc. Whitehouse Station, NJ

New Jersey Board of Public Utilities Trenton, NJ

New Mexico Gas Company Albuquerque, NM

New York State Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA) Albany, NY

New York-Presbyterian Hospital New York, NY

Nissan North America, Inc. Smyrna, TN

Oncor Dallas, TX

Panasonic Home & Environment

Company Secaucus, NJ

PepsiCo, Inc. Purchase, NY

PNM

Albuquerque, NM

Public Service Company of Oklahoma (PSO) Tulsa, OK

Questar Gas Company Salt Lake City, UT

Raytheon Company Waltham, MA Saint-Gobain

Valley Forge, PA SClenergy

Atlanta, GA

Southern California Edison Company

Rosemead, CA

Southern Energy Management Morrisville, NC

Sponsors of Northeast Energy Efficiency Partnerships, Inc. (NEEP)

Lexington, MA
TIAA-CREF

New York, NY

Toyota Motor Engineering & Manufacturing North America, Inc. *Erlanger, KY*

TRANSWESTERN Houston, TX

USAA Real Estate Company San Antonio, TX

Whirlpool Corporation Benton Harbor, MI

Xcel Energy Minneapolis, MN

PARTNER OF THE YEAR

AEP Ohio Columbus, OH

AEP Texas Central Corpus Christi, TX

Air-King, Ltd. West Chester, PA

AVR Homebuilders Yonkers, NY

Beacon Capital Partners, LLC Boston, MA

Brown Printing Company

Waseca, MN

Cleveland Clinic Cleveland, OH

Colgate-Palmolive Company New York, NY

Columbia Gas of Ohio Columbus, OH

ComEd Chicago, IL

Commonwealth of Kentucky Frankfort, KY

Constellation Energy/Baltimore Gas and Electric Company

(BGE) Baltimore, MD

Consumers Energy Jackson, MI

D.R. Wastchak, LLC Tempe, AZ Des Moines Public Schools Des Moines, IA

DuctTesters, Inc. Modesto, CA

Eastman Chemical Company Kingsport, TN

Efficiency Vermont Burlington, VT

El Paso Electric El Paso, TX

EnergyCAP, Inc. State College, PA

Entergy Texas Beaumont, TX

Fanning/Howey Associates, Inc. Celina, OH

General Motors Company Detroit, MI

Kentucky Housing Corporation Frankfort, KY

KPPC – Kentucky Pollution Prevention Center Louisville, KY

LG Electronics, Inc. Englewood Cliffs, NJ

LG&E and KU Louisville, KY

Liberty Property Trust Malvern, PA

Long Island Power Authority (LIPA) Uniondale, NY

Magic Valley Electric Cooperative, Inc Mercedes, TX

NVR, Inc. Reston, VA

PECO Philadelphia, PA

ProVia Sugarcreek, OH

Salt Lake City School District Salt Lake City, UT

Samsung Electronics Co.,

Suwon, South Korea
Scotsman Ice Systems

Vernon Hills, IL

Southern Maryland Electric Cooperative (SMECO) Hughesville, MD Staples, Inc. Framingham, MA

The Boeing Company Chicago, IL

The E Group, a Division of FirstEnergy Solutions Corp. *Akron, OH*

The Home Depot Atlanta, GA

Utah Building Energy Efficiency Strategies Salt Lake City, UT

Utah Home Performance
Salt Lake City, UT

Vermont Gas Systems Burlington, VT

AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE

ENERGY STAR Promotion

Central Florida Energy Efficiency Alliance Orlando, FL

Design Tech Homes Spring, TX

Good Earth Lighting, Inc. Wheeling, IL

Hoshizaki America, Inc. Peachtree City, GA

Meritage Homes Scottsdale, AZ

National Grid Waltham, MA

North Carolina Energy Efficiency Alliance Boone, NC

Northwest Energy Efficiency Council

Seattle, WA Sea Gull Lighting Products LLC Riverside, NJ

Affordable Housing

Habitat for Humanity of Metro Denver Denver, CO

Milford Housing Development Corporation Milford. DE

Energy-Efficient Product Design

DIRECTV El Segundo, CA

Sharp Electronics Corporation *Mahwah, NJ*

Retailing

Nationwide Marketing Group Winston-Salem, NC

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