

# Harnessing the Power of Data from Benchmarking and Disclosure

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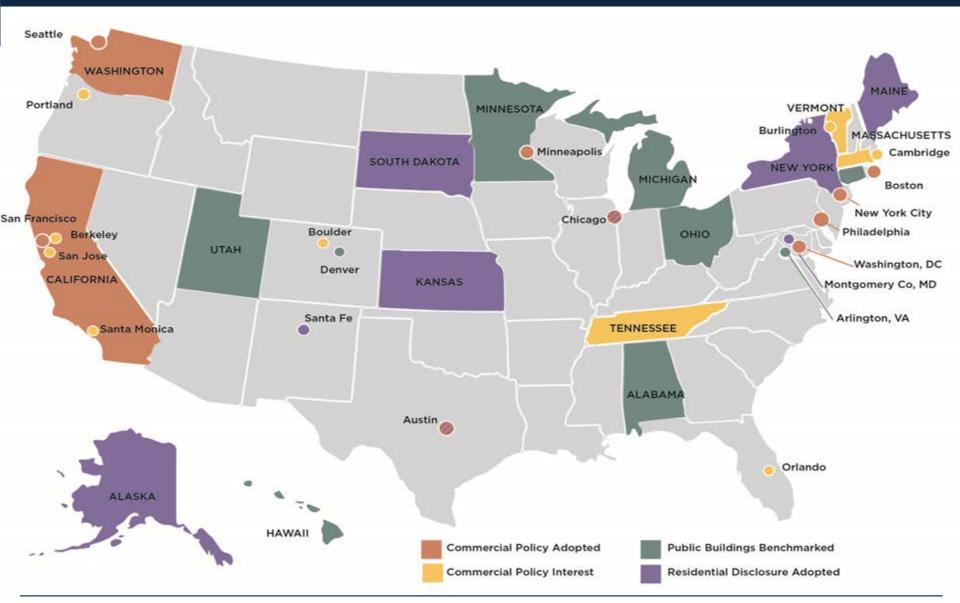
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### U.S. Benchmarking Policy Landscape

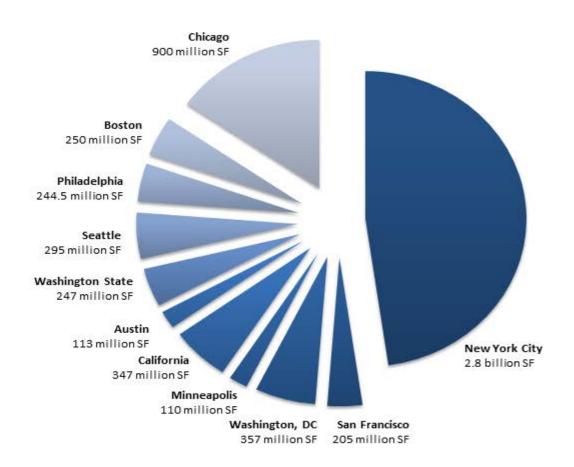






# **Totaling** approximately 5.8 billion SF of floor space in major real estate markets

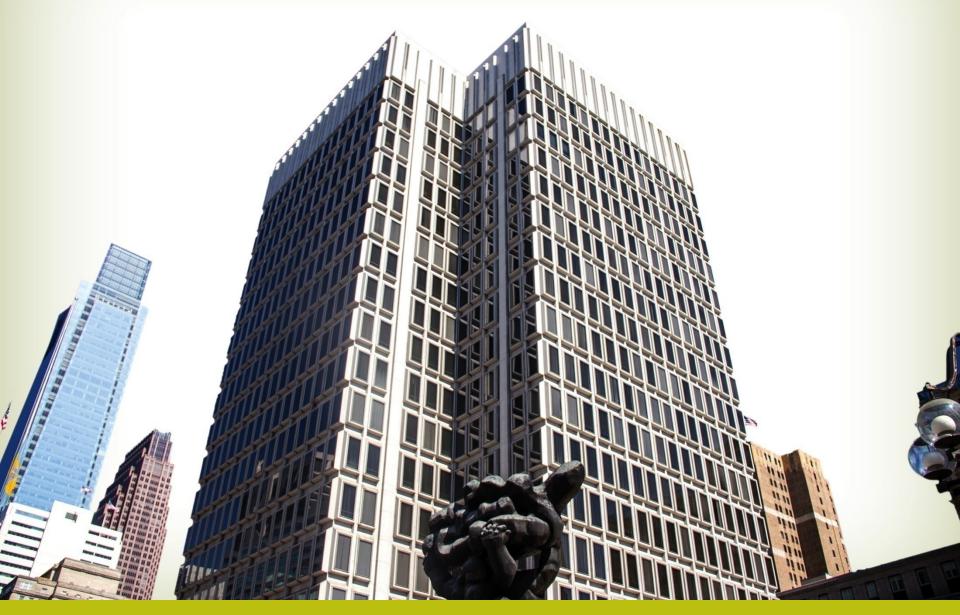
#### **BUILDING AREA (IN SQUARE FEET) COVERED ANNUALLY**







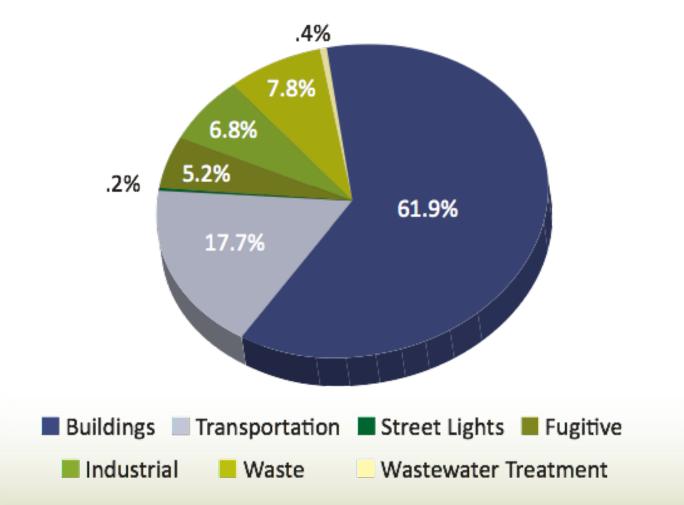




Benchmarking and Disclosure in Philadelphia Alex Dews, Mayor's Office of Sustainability Better Buildings Summit, May 2014

#### Why Benchmarking?

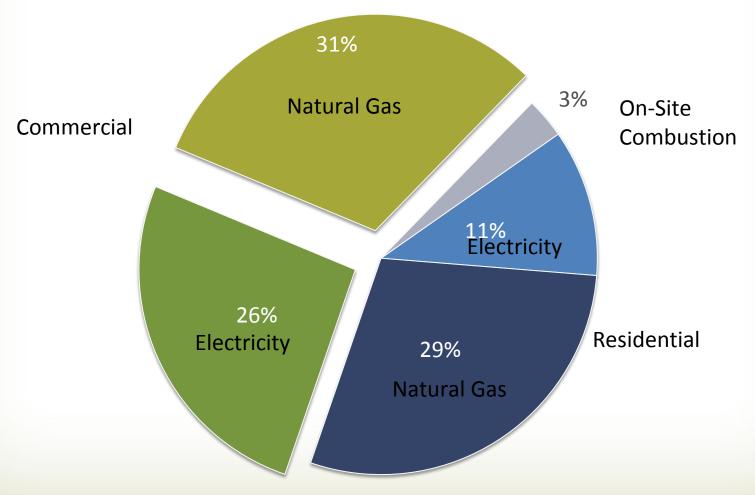
Buildings account for 62% of GHG emissions in Philadelphia





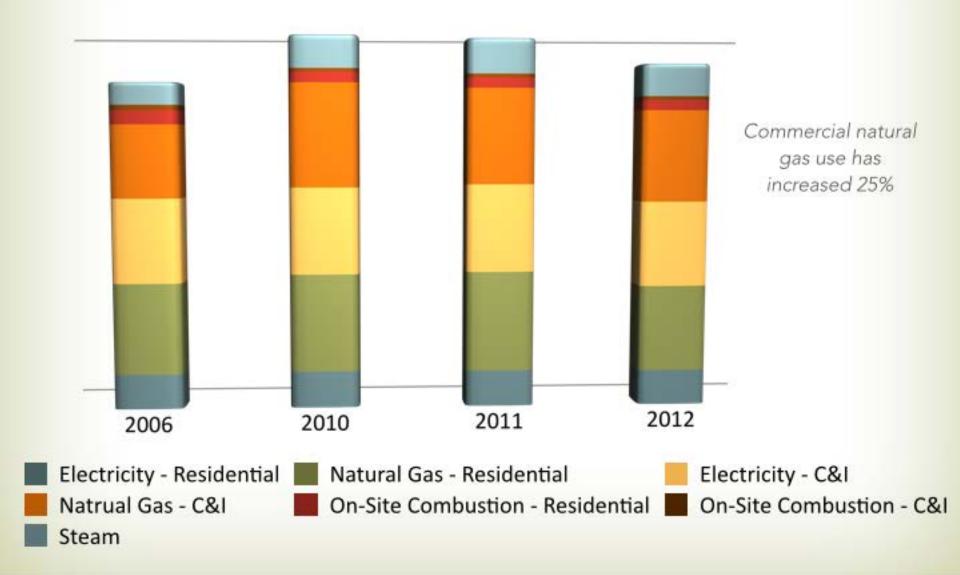
### Why Benchmarking?

The commercial sector uses 57% of all building energy





### Citywide building energy use has increased 6% since 2006



### Benchmarking Year One Compliance Rate: 86%

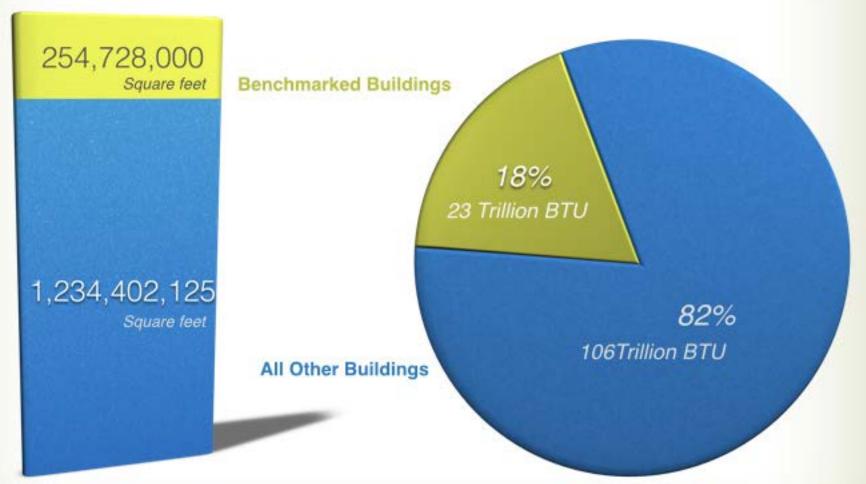








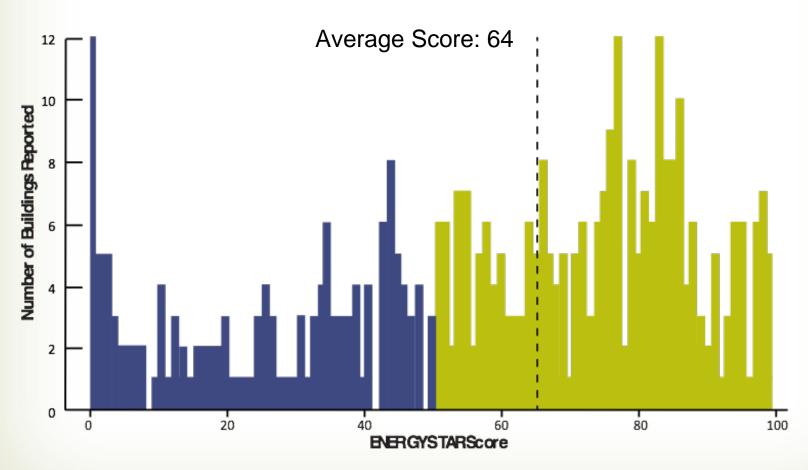
### Benchmarking Impact Citywide



Benchmarked buildings account for 24% of city square footage, and 18% of its energy use



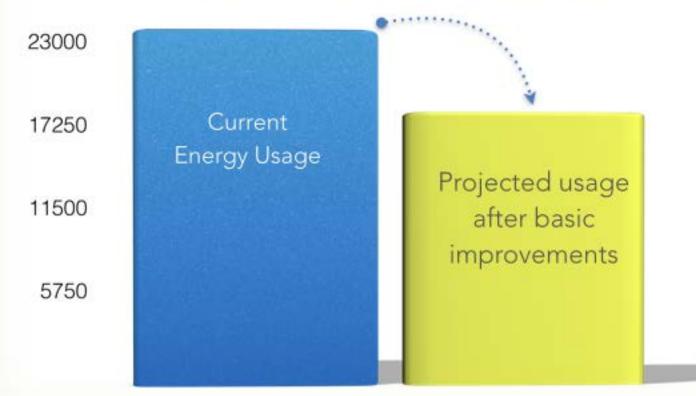
### Citywide ENERGY STAR Distribution





### Potential Savings in Benchmarking Portfolio

23% energy reduction across 1,700 Buildings or \$100 million in annual savings





### Connecting Performance to Financing and Technical Assistance

**EUI** 





348

Medical

Office



232

Warehouse

(Refrigerated)

216 Hotel

210 Office

172 Other

126 Education

(K-12)

100

38 House of Warehouse Worship (Non-Refrigerated)

Sector Summary by Source EUI (kBtu/per square foot)

**ENERGY** STAR



Warehouse Warehouse

(Non-Refrigerated) (Refrigerated)







Retail



(K-12)









Hotel

Sector Summary by ENERGY STAR Score (1-100)



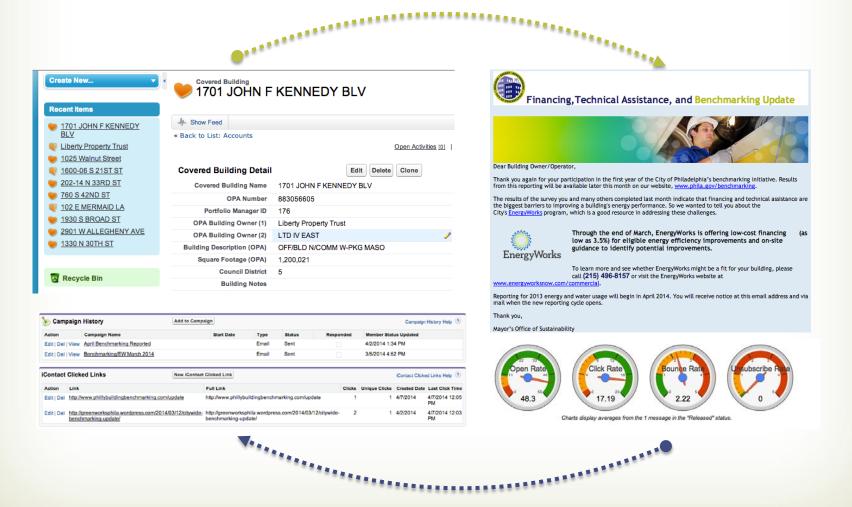




#### Managing Data and Outreach with CRM



#### **Email Outreach & Marketing**



### Support from Partner Organizations

#### **LOCAL PARTNERS**







#### **UTILITY PARTNERS**









#### **NATIONAL PARTNERS**











### Minneapolis Commercial Building Energy Rating & Disclosure Ordinance



DOE Better Buildings Summit May 9, 2014

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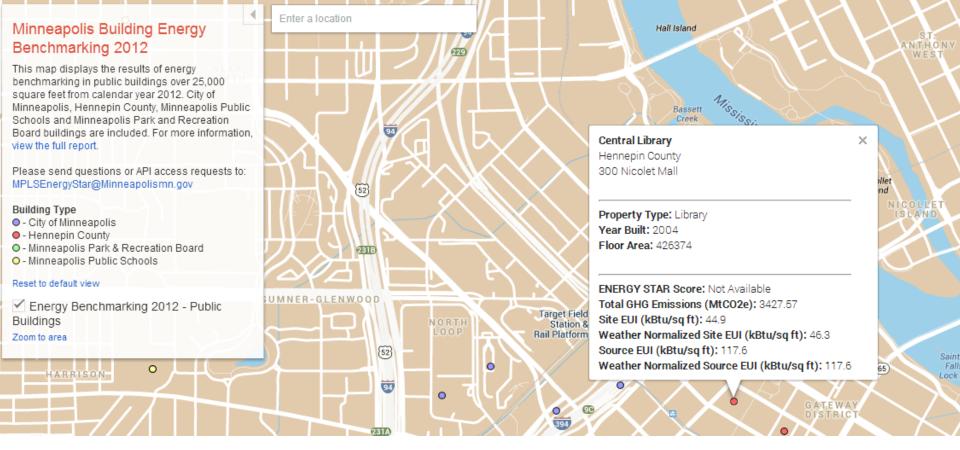


What is the Commercial Building Energy Rating & Disclosure Ordinance?

Two parts...



1. Large public and commercial buildings must measure (benchmark) and report to the City energy and water performance annually



2. The City discloses results annually after a one year grace period

Use market forces, not performance or design mandates, to increase the energy efficiency of existing commercial buildings.



# SUSTAINABILITY report



The City of Minneapolis is committed to citywide economic opportunity, social equality, and environmental sustainability. For the seventh year in a row, the City is tracking progress on 26 sustainability indicators. Monitoring these indicators helps us understand the state of our community and focus on what needs to be done to preserve and enhance our quality of life for future generations.





To learn more about each sustainability indicator and what is being done to achieve Minneapolis' sustainability goals, visit our new website:

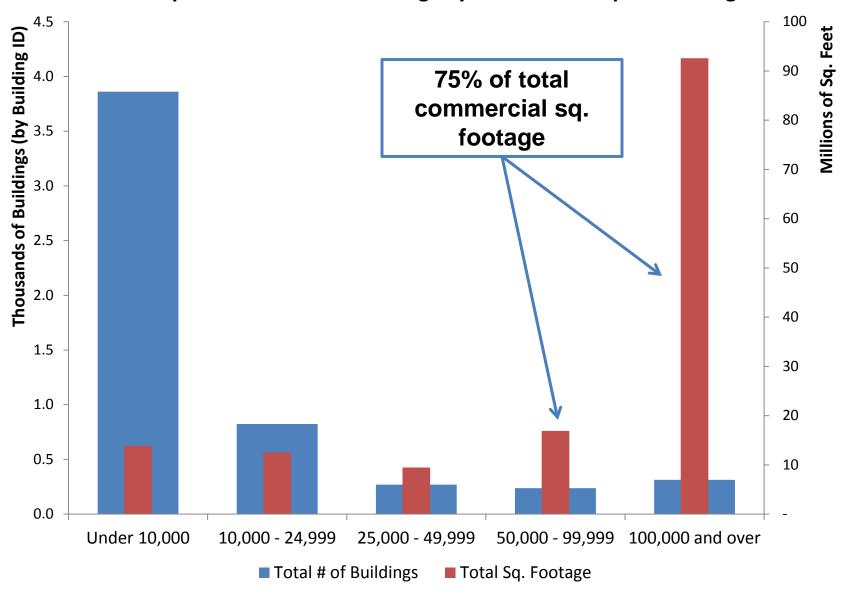
www.minneapolismn.gov/sustainability/indicators

### **Eco-Focused**

# Jobs & Economic Vitality

# Sustainability Indicators & Targets

#### Minneapolis Commercial Buildings by Size & Total Square Footage



### Reporting timeline

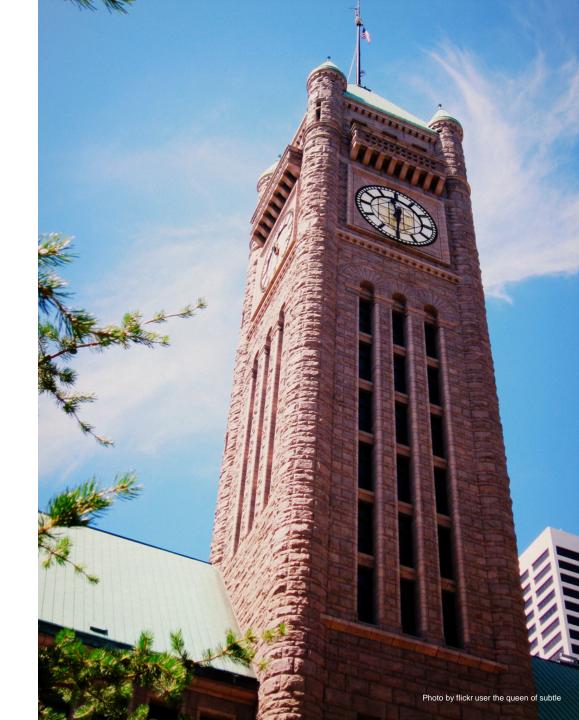
**2013** – Public buildings only

**2014**– Buildings at or over 100,000 square feet

2015 – Buildings at or over 50,000 square feet

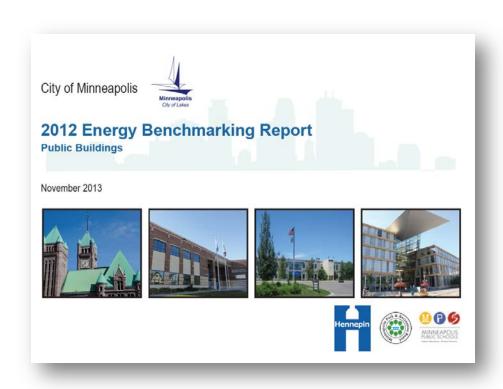


Resources for building owners



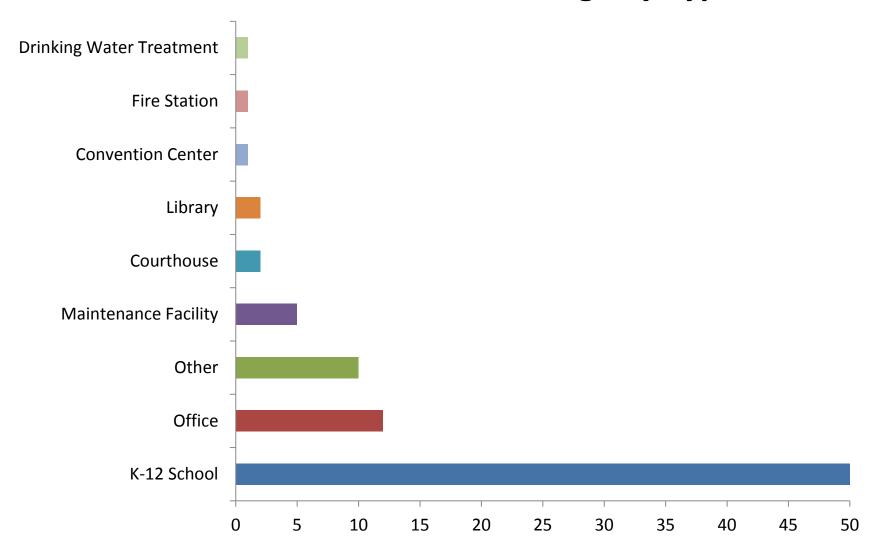
### 2012 Public building results

- 102 buildings, 21.3 million square feet
- Great cost savings potential: a 10% reduction could save \$2.5 m in energy costs.
- 50% of buildings were eligible for ENERGY STAR score
- Median score was 46, average 52
- Scores and energy intensity results vary widely
- Little connection between age and energy use intensity



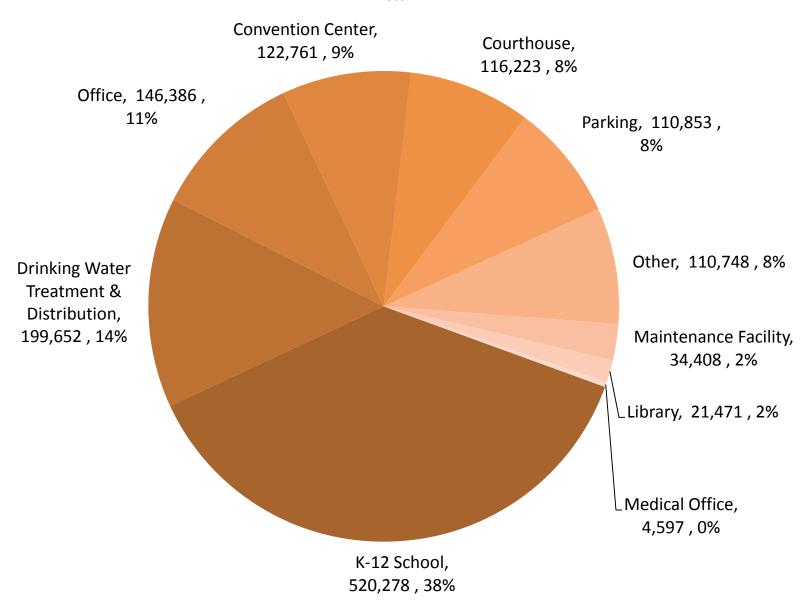
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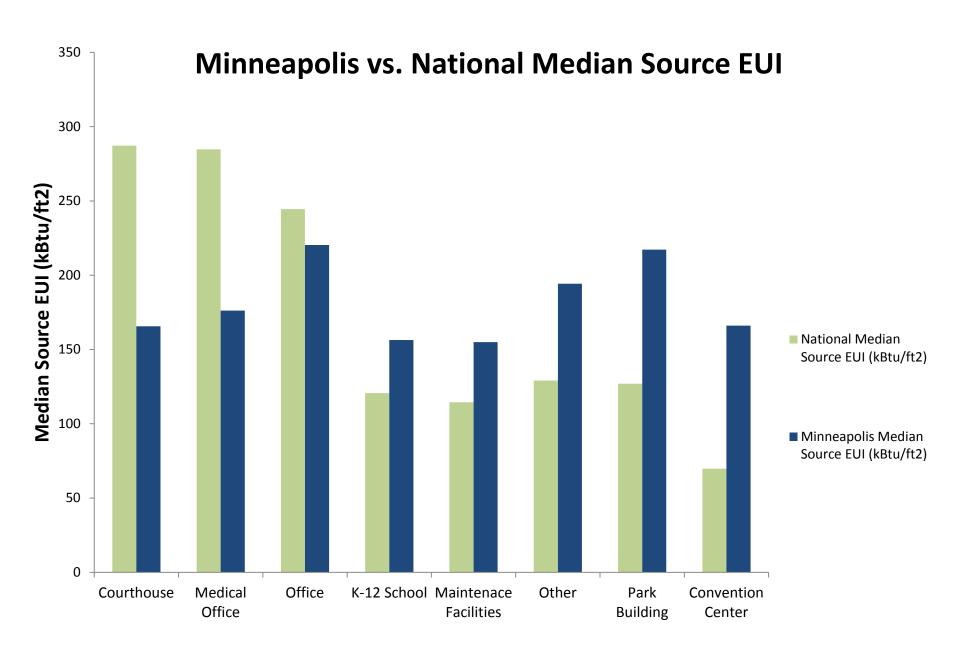
### **Benchmarked Public Buildings by Type**



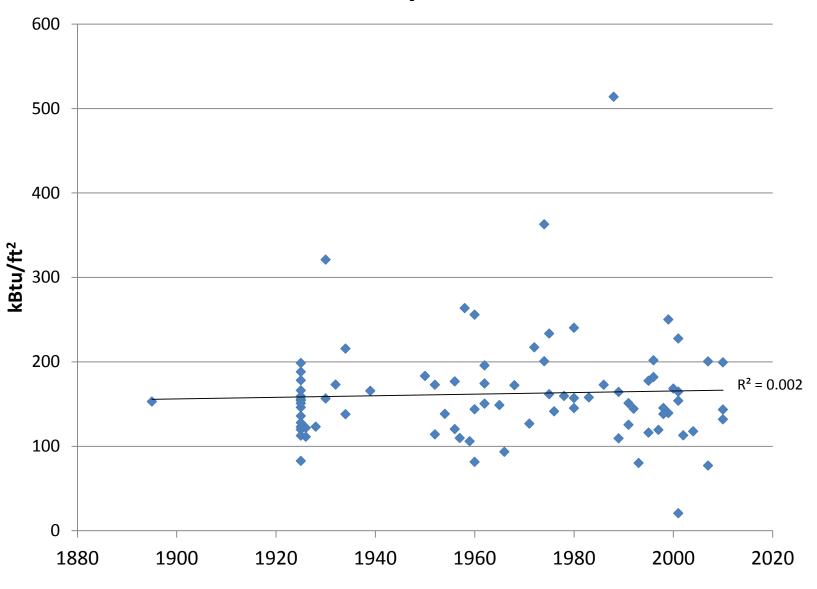
### **Benchmarked Energy Use by Building Type**

mmbtu

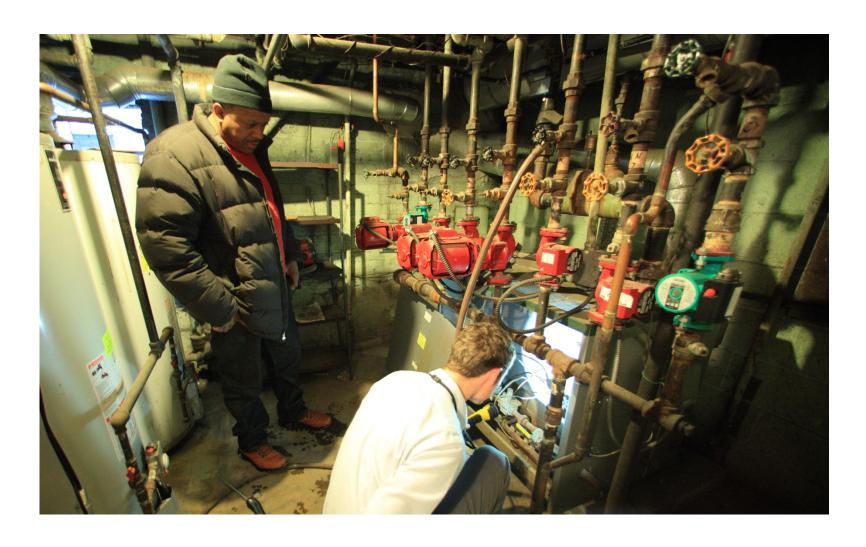


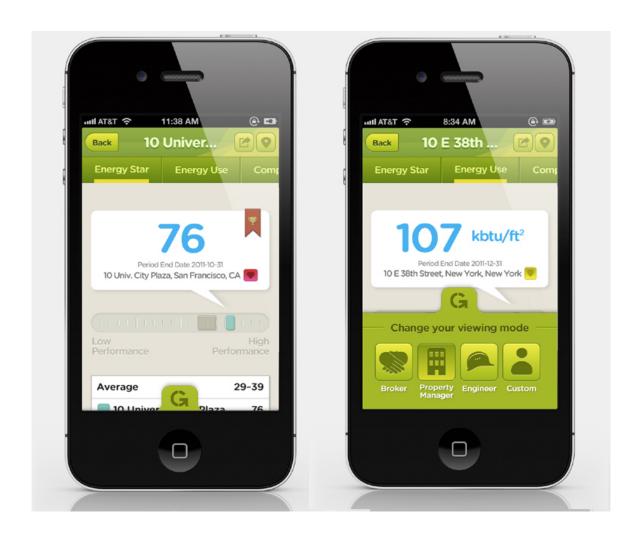


### **Source EUI by Year Built**

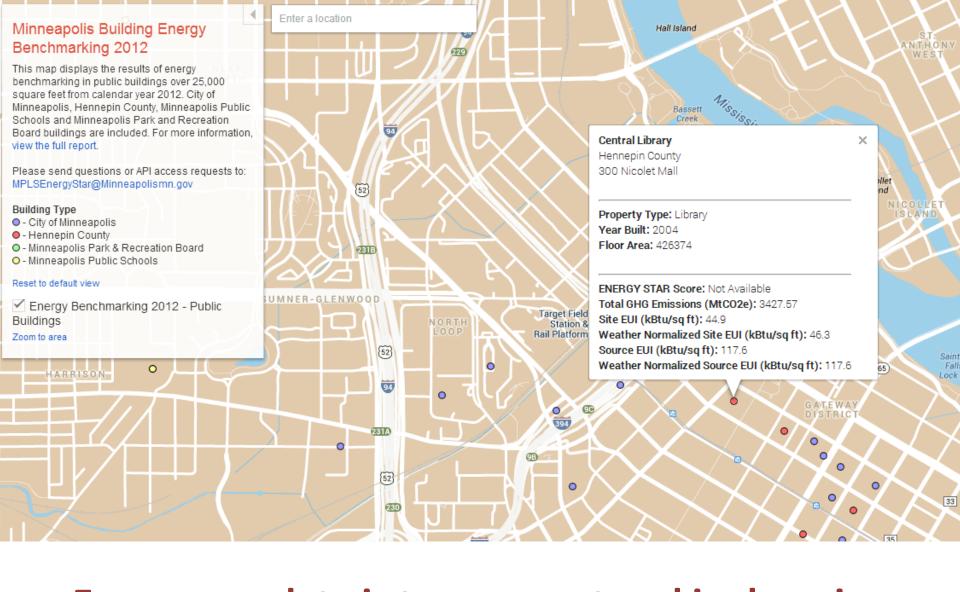


### Motivating action

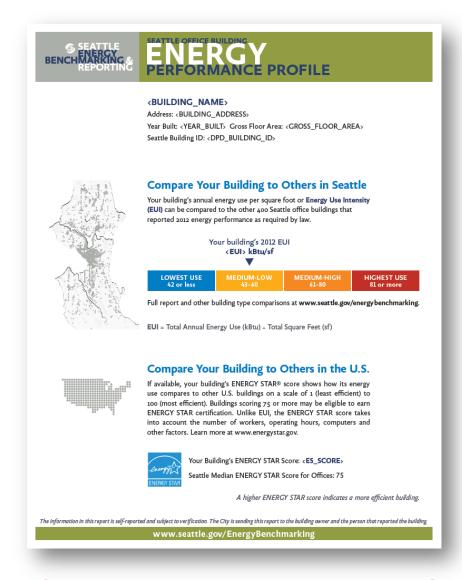




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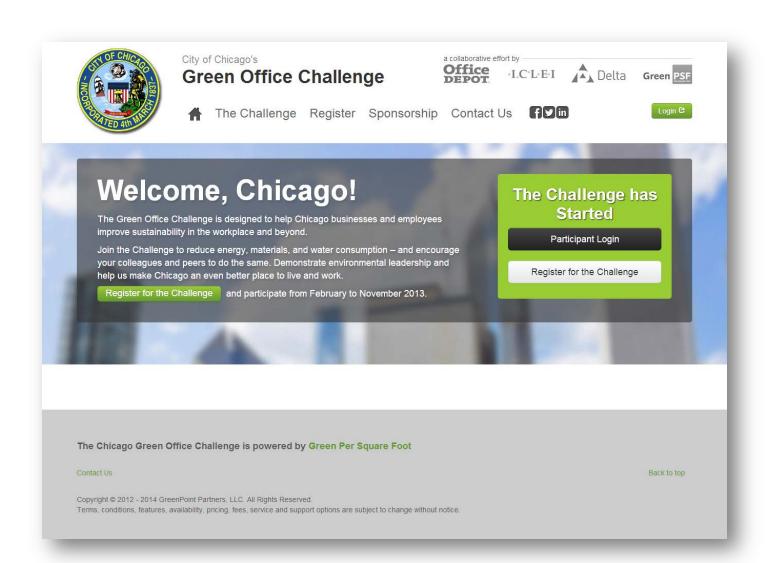
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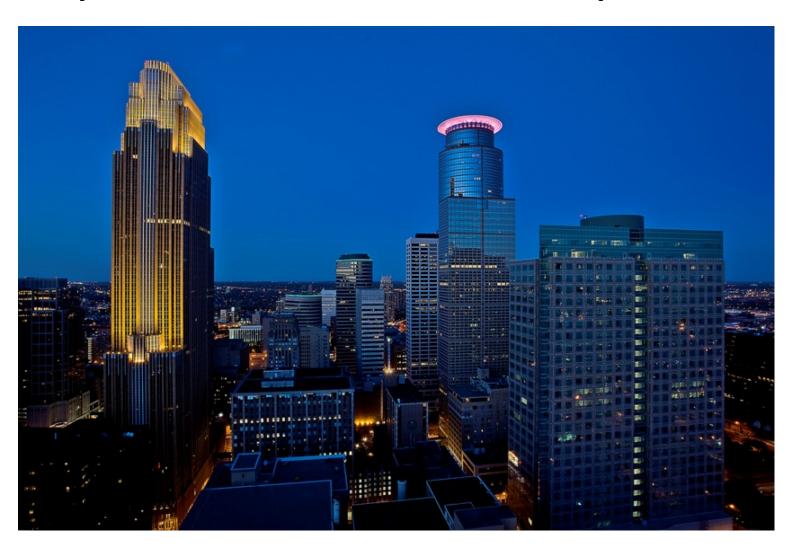


**Connecting building owners with resources** 



### **Engaging tenants**

### Important recent developments











## **DOE Data Accelerator**Better Buildings Initiative



**Customer Energy Usage Data (CEUD)**Public Utilities Commission Workgroup

## Reporting deadline for buildings 100,000 square feet and over: June 1, 2014

# Benchmarking workshops: April 24<sup>th</sup> and May 6<sup>th</sup>

#### City's website:

http://minneapolismn.gov/energybenchmarking

#### **CEE** website:

http://buildingdisclosure-mpls.mncee.org/

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# Putting Data to Work: Transforming Building Performance in the District of Columbia

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May 9, 2013



# Why Benchmarking?

#### Sustainable DC





#### **Overall Vision:**

In just one generation—20 years—the District of Columbia will be the healthiest, greenest, and most livable city in the United States.

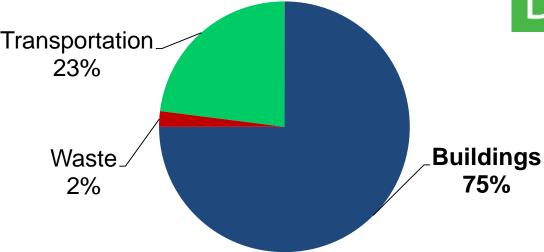
#### **Energy Target:**

By 2032, **cut citywide energy use by 50%** and increase use of renewable power to 50%

## Why Benchmark?

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Buildings are DC's largest source of Greenhouse Gas Emissions:



Utilities are the largest non-fixed expense for DC building owners.

32% - Utilities

22% - Repairs/Maintenance

21% - Admin

5% - Security

1% - Grounds

Source: BOMA, 2010

Source: DC 2011 GHG Inventory

## **DC Benchmarking Law**





Green Building Act of 2006

Clean and Affordable Energy Act of 2008

(D.C. Official Code § 6-1451.03(c), 20 DCMR 3513)

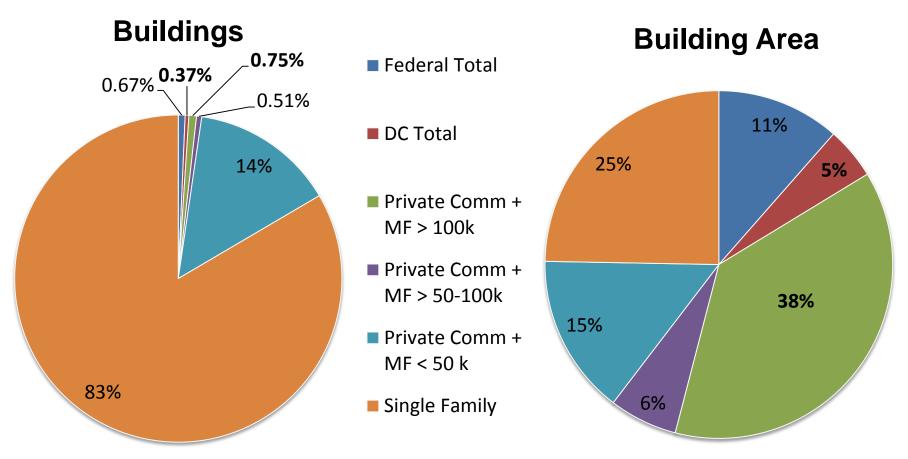
- ENERGY STAR Portfolio Manager benchmarking & public reporting
  - DC Government Buildings >10,000 sq. ft.
  - Private Buildings >50,000 sq. ft., each April 1
- ENERGY STAR Target Finder modeling for new buildings >50,000 sq. ft.

The estimated energy berformance for this design meets US EPA criteria. The building will be eligible for ENERGY STAR after maintaining superior performance for one year.

## **Building Stock: Effective Scale**

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2000 buildings, 357 million sq. ft. = 1.6% of the Buildings; 49% of the area



128 thousand buildings 730 million gross square feet

## **Utility Data**

#### Problem: Owners often can't access tenant data

- Partial Solution: DDOE requires non-residential tenants to provide their landlord access to data
- Doesn't address residential; cumbersome

## Solution: Aggregated whole-building consumption data + Direct upload to Portfolio Manager

- Aggregate Data Available from Pepco for 5+ accounts
- Pepco expects automated upload by Summer 2014
- US DOE Energy Data Accelerator











## Findings

## **Compliance Rate:**

2012: 83%

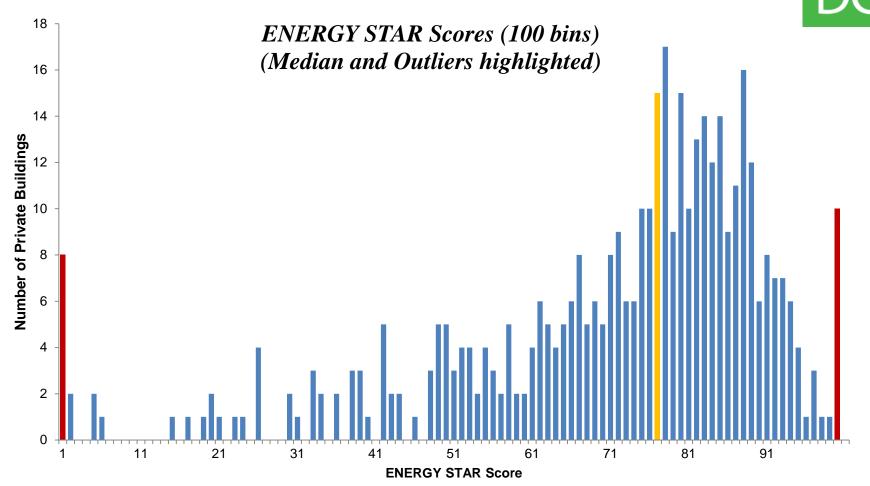
2013: 58%





## **ENERGY STAR® Scores (2012)**

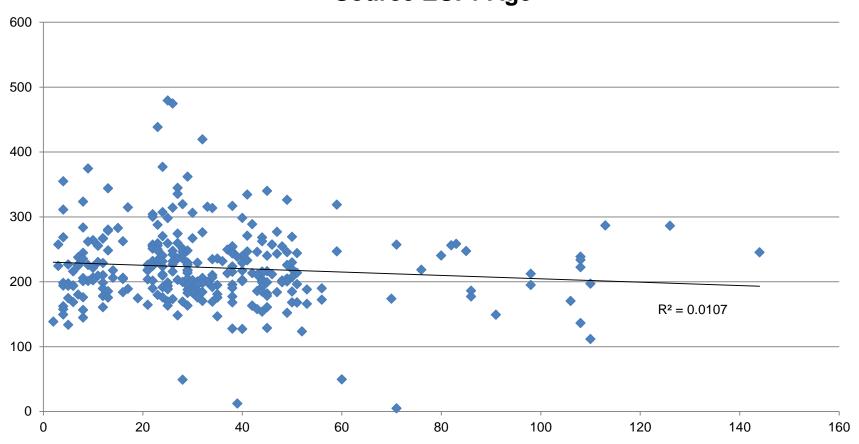




## Age Doesn't Matter



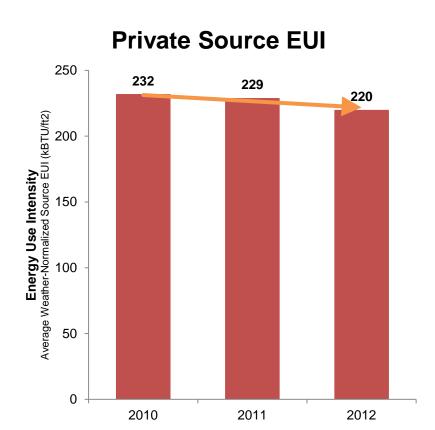
#### Source EUI v Age



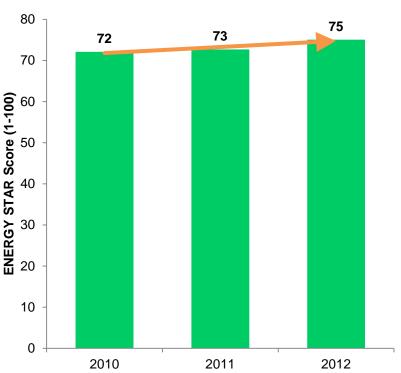
## **Energy Savings**

## DC Government & Private Buildings, 2010-2012: 6% Energy Savings





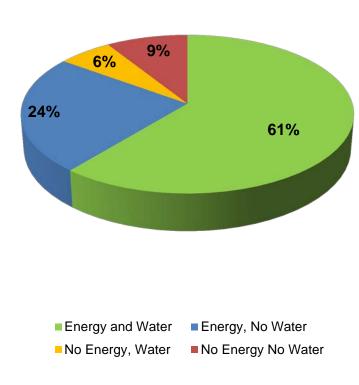
#### **Private ENERGY STAR Score**



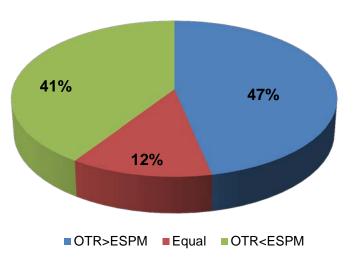
Source: DC Benchmarking Reports from rated buildings with 3 years of data

## **Missing Data**

#### Missing Utility Data (2012)

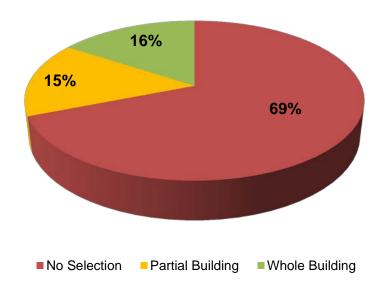


#### Floor Area Discrepancy (2012)



# \* \* \* SUSTAIN ABILITY

#### **Multifamily Meter Configuration (2012)**





# Putting the Data to Work

#### **Data Uses**

- SUSTAIN ABILITY
- 1. Help Owners and Managers understand their energy use and compare to peers
- 2. Help policymakers with analysis, planning program design
- 3. Drive Market Transformation

## Why Transparency?



Ratings for all buildings

Efficiency of existing building stock continuously improve

Ratings disclosed to market

Owners improve efficiency to help competitiveness

Market compares building performance

Market rewards energy-efficient property with more business



# Public Building Transparency

- District government benchmarked close to 400 buildings
- BuildSmartDC.com
- ENERGY STAR Score for 125+ buildings
- Interval Data for select facilities
- Game Change Initiative: 20% in 20 months!



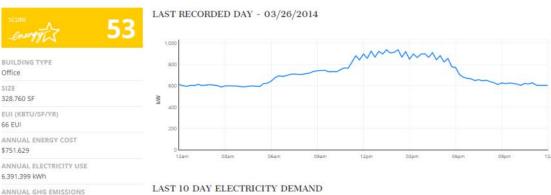
Wilson Building

1350 PENNSYLVANIA AVE NW, Washington, DC

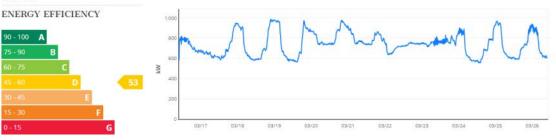
The John A. Wilson Building, popularly known simply as the Wilson Building or the JAWB, houses the offices and chambers of the Mayor and Council of the District of Columbia. Originally called the District Building, it was renamed in 1994 to commemorate former Council Chair John A. Wilson. Completed in 1908, the building is a contributing structure to the Pennsylvania Avenue National Historic Site.In 1995, two-thirds of the Wilson



SHOW MORE



#### ANNUAL GHG EMISSIONS EAST TO DAT ELECTRICITY DEVE 2.762 Tons





## **Private Building Transparency**

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- Benchmark results are disclosed publicly online
- DC is second city to publish this data
- 490 buildings in initial release set
- Will be in <u>BuildSmartDC</u> and other mapping tools
- Data fields in public database currently include:

Address	Year Built
Space Type(s)	Gross Building Area
Energy Performance Rating (1-100)	Energy Use Intensity (EUI)
Electricity Use	Natural Gas Use
Water Use	Other Fuel Use
Optional Narrative Information	CO <sub>2</sub> Emissions

## **Data Reliability**

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- Data Quality and Reliability is a big outstanding question!
- Reliability is more than just cleaning =
   "Can you trust the data?"
- Our Hypothesis: Most errors are accidental
- DDOE has put out an grant for intense data quality reliability analysis and confidence indexing; could direct enforcement actions and/or technical assistance

## **Improving Performance**





#### DC Sustainable Energy Utility (DC SEU)

Energy efficiency 'utility' under contract to DDOE

**DC SEU Benchmarking Help Center:** FREE Technical assistance via email, phone, & in-person training:

- benchmarking@dcseu.com | 202-525-7036
- Assisted 70% of buildings that reported in 2013

#### **DC SEU** is using data to:

- Proactively engage with customers
- Identify sector-specific needs
- Target limited resources effectively

## **Building on Existing Law**



### Aggregate Benchmarking Data Access

- Utilities provide aggregate data for 5+ meters
- Requires direct monthly automated upload to ENERGY STAR Portfolio Manager

### Benchmarking Data Transfer Improvement

 Seller of building covered by benchmarking law must provide buyer with all data needed for benchmarking; buyer benchmarks for that year

### **Building Energy Performance Standards**

DDOE Directed by Mayor to finish plan in 2014

## Thank You!



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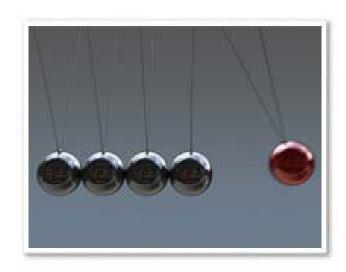
http://ddoe.dc.gov/energybenchmarking

Twitter: <a>@BenchmarkDC</a>



# DOE Resources – Impact Evaluation Handbook

- Publishing an Impact Evaluation Handbook for benchmarking and disclosure
- Addresses short, mid, and long term consumption, environmental, and economic impacts
- Contains all information needed for independent third parties to conduct
- Uses data already available
- Available Fall 2014







## DOE Resources – (SEED) Standard Energy Efficiency Data Platform

- Help state and local governments manage data resulting from benchmarking programs
- To manage benchmarking programs, cities combine data about many buildings from a range of tools and sources
- Can also be used by other efficiency programs and building owners

