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## Emissions of Greenhouse Gases in the United States 2009

**Table 5. Greenhouse gases and 100-year net global warming potentials**

Greenhouse gas	Chemical formula	Global warming potential		
		SAR <sup>a</sup>	TAR <sup>b</sup>	AR4 <sup>c</sup>
Carbon dioxide	CO <sub>2</sub>	1	1	1
Methane	CH <sub>4</sub>	21	23	25
Nitrous oxide	N <sub>2</sub> O	310	296	298
<b>Hydrofluorocarbons</b>				
HFC-23 (trifluoromethane)	CHF <sub>3</sub>	11,700	12,000	14,800
HFC-32 (difluoromethane)	CH <sub>2</sub> F <sub>2</sub>	650	550	675
HFC-41 (monofluoromethane)	CH <sub>3</sub> F	150	97	92
HFC-125 (pentafluoroethane)	CHF <sub>2</sub> CF <sub>3</sub>	2,800	3,400	3,500
HFC-134 (1,1,2,2-tetrafluoroethane)	CHF <sub>2</sub> CHF <sub>2</sub>	1,000	1,100	1,100
HFC-134a (1,1,1,2-tetrafluoroethane)	CH <sub>2</sub> FCF <sub>3</sub>	1,300	1,300	1,430
HFC-143 (1,1,2-trifluoroethane)	CHF <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> F	300	330	353
HFC-143a (1,1,1-trifluoroethane)	CF <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>3</sub>	3,800	4,300	4,470
HFC-152 (1,2-difluoroethane)	CH <sub>2</sub> FCH <sub>2</sub> F	—	43	53
HFC-152a (1,1-difluoroethane)	CH <sub>3</sub> CHF <sub>2</sub>	140	120	124
HFC-161 (ethyl fluoride)	CH <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> F	—	12	12
HFC-227ea (heptafluoropropane)	CF <sub>3</sub> CHF <sub>2</sub> CF <sub>3</sub>	2,900	3,500	3,220
HFC-236cb (1,1,1,2,2,3-hexafluoropropane)	CH <sub>2</sub> FCF <sub>2</sub> CF <sub>3</sub>	—	1,300	1,340
HFC-236ea (1,1,1,2,3,3-hexafluoropropane)	CHF <sub>2</sub> CHF <sub>2</sub> CF <sub>3</sub>	—	1,200	1,370
HFC-236fa (1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoropropane)	CF <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> CF <sub>3</sub>	6,300	9,400	9,810
HFC-245ca (1,1,2,2,3-pentafluoropropane)	CH <sub>2</sub> FCF <sub>2</sub> CHF <sub>2</sub>	560	640	693
HFC-245fa (1,1,1,3,3-pentafluoropropane)	CHF <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> CF <sub>3</sub>	—	950	1,030
HFC-365mfc (pentafluorobutane)	CF <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> CF <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>3</sub>	—	890	794
HFC-43-10mee (decafluoropentane)	CF <sub>3</sub> CHFCH <sub>2</sub> CF <sub>2</sub> CF <sub>3</sub>	1,300	1,500	1,640
<b>Perfluorocarbons</b>				
Perfluoromethane	CF <sub>4</sub>	6,500	5,700	7,390
Perfluoroethane	C <sub>2</sub> F <sub>6</sub>	9,200	11,900	12,200
Perfluoropropane	C <sub>3</sub> F <sub>8</sub>	7,000	8,600	8,830
Perfluorobutane (FC 3-1-10)	C <sub>4</sub> F <sub>10</sub>	7,000	8,600	8,860
Perfluorocyclobutane	c-C <sub>4</sub> F <sub>8</sub>	8,700	10,000	10,300
Perfluoropentane	C <sub>5</sub> F <sub>12</sub>	7,500	8,900	9,160
Perfluorohexane (FC 5-1-14)	C <sub>6</sub> F <sub>14</sub>	7,400	9,000	9,300
Sulfur hexafluoride	SF <sub>6</sub>	23,900	22,200	22,800
Nitrogen trifluoride	NF <sub>3</sub>	—	10,800	17,200

<sup>a</sup>Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, *Climate Change 1995: The Science of Climate Change* (Cambridge, UK: Cambridge University Press, 1996). This document was part of the Second Assessment Report (SAR) by the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change.

<sup>b</sup>Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, *Climate Change 2001: The Scientific Basis* (Cambridge, UK: Cambridge University Press, 2001), website [www.ipcc.ch/ipccreports/tar/wg1/index.htm](http://www.ipcc.ch/ipccreports/tar/wg1/index.htm). This document was part of the Third Assessment Report (TAR) by the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change.

<sup>c</sup>Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, *Climate Change 2007: The Physical Science Basis: Errata* (Cambridge, UK: Cambridge University Press, 2008), website [http://ipcc-wg1.ucar.edu/wg1/Report/AR4WG1\\_Errata\\_2008-12-01.pdf](http://ipcc-wg1.ucar.edu/wg1/Report/AR4WG1_Errata_2008-12-01.pdf). This document describes errata in parts of the Fourth Assessment Report (AR4) by the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change.