## **Cleveland State University**

## **Greenhouse Gas Emissions Inventory FY2018**

In FY2018, CSU emitted 56,849 metric tons of carbon dioxide equivalent (MTCO2e). Since 2007, we have reduced our campus carbon footprint by 32,097 MTCO2e, representing a **36% reduction** in greenhouse gas emissions. This was achieved through energy efficiency projects, procurement of green power, and our district steam provider's transition from coal to natural gas.

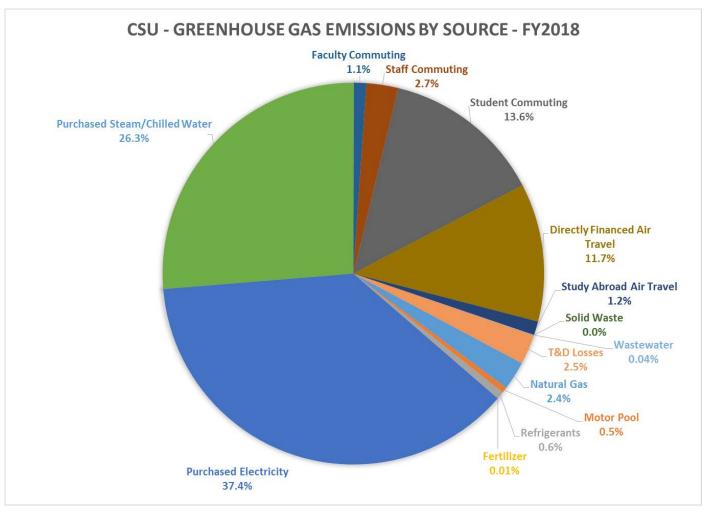


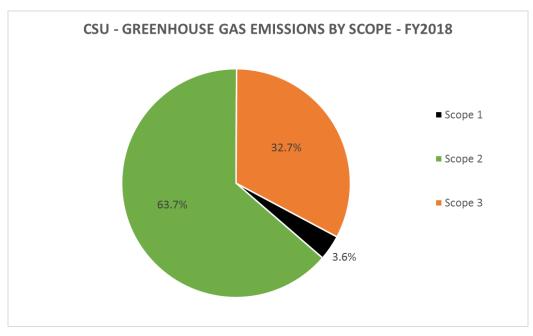
Scope 1 emissions: on-campus fuel combustion (natural gas), transport fuels, fertilizers and refrigerants Scope 2 emissions: off-campus combustion of fuels for purchased electricity, steam, and chilled water Scope 3 emissions: air travel, commuting, waste, wastewater, and transmission and distribution (T&D) losses associated with Scope 2 emissions

Gross emissions: total emissions produced through CSU's buildings and operations

Net emissions: total campus emissions minus any investments the university makes in carbon offsets

Results are displayed in metric tons of carbon dioxide equivalent (MtCO2e).





This report was completed using <u>SIMAP</u>, a carbon and nitrogen-accounting platform that tracks and analyzes campus wide emissions in the higher education sector.

The greenhouse gas emissions inventory reporting platform can be found at the <u>Second Nature</u> CSU Dashboard.

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## **Climate Action Planning**

CSU became a signatory to the Presidents' Climate Leadership Commitment in 2011. Our Carbon Commitment focuses on reducing the emissions of harmful greenhouse gases and mitigating our contribution to climate change.

In November 2018, CSU received three Marks of Distinction from the Climate Leadership Network. One for our 25% Carbon Reduction achievement, one for purchasing over 25% renewable energy, and one for being a 'We Are Still In' Participant.









The Presidents' Climate Leadership Commitment requires each signatory to develop or update a campus Climate Action Plan every five years. A CSU Climate Action and Sustainability Plan is currently being developed in collaboration with campus stakeholders. This Plan will set targets for emissions reductions, energy efficiency and renewable power.

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