

## **Energy Efficiency in the Buildings Sector**

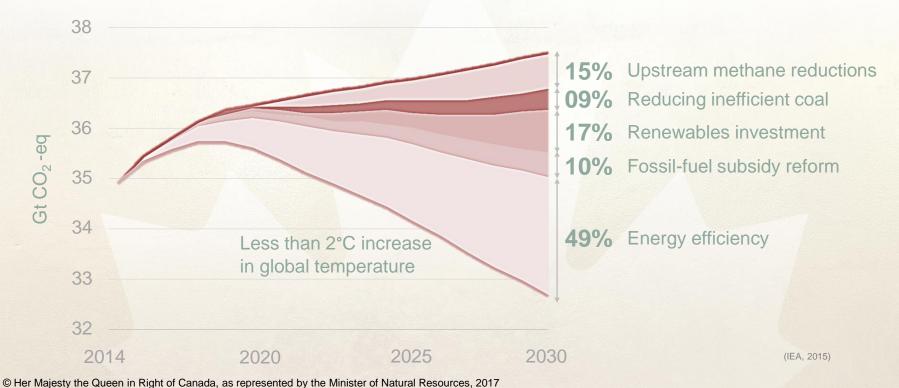
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## **ENERGY EFFICIENCY**

A PILLAR IN CLIMATE CHANGE POLICIES





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## ENERGY EFFICIENCY SAVINGS AND BENEFITS FOR CANADIANS

Canadians saved \$38.5 billion as a result energy efficiency improvements in 2014

Natural Resources Canada's energy efficiency suite of programs (2011–2012 to 2015–2016) achieved \$1 billion in cost savings for Canadian consumers and industry

Energy efficiency programs support job creation

In 2014, energy efficiency improvements avoided 90.5 MT of GHG emissions





## **BUILDINGS ARE A KEY AREA OF OPPORTUNITY**

Need to address new and existing buildings

- 75% of buildings in 2030 are already standing
- 25% of floor space will be built between now and 2030

Canada has a relatively high energy intensity due to climate and standard of living

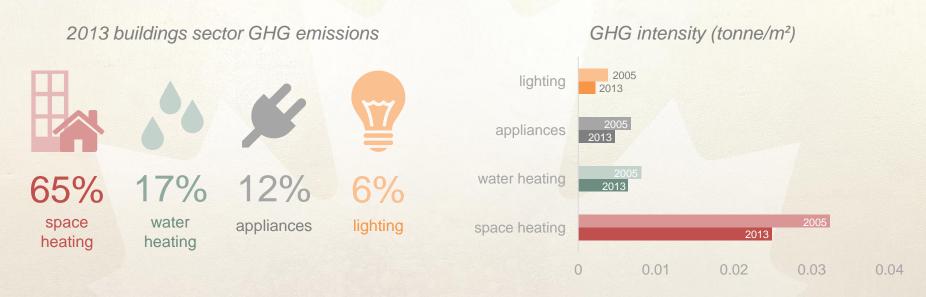
Nearly 4 of Canada's GHG emissions are from residential, commercial and institutional buildings





## How Canada's buildings use energy

Heating is our biggest challenge and GHG performance is improving, but more needs to be done



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## PAN-CANADIAN FRAMEWORK ON CLEAN ENERGY & CLIMATE CHANGE (PCF)

MEASURES FOR THE BUILDINGS SECTOR

Making new buildings more energy efficient

Net-Zero Energy Ready Codes adopted by 2030

#### Retrofitting existing buildings

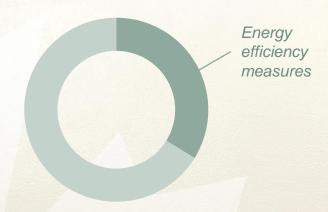
- Codes developed by 2022 and Labelling/ Disclosure as early as 2019
- Low Carbon Economy Fund can support provincial and territorial retrofit programs

Setting new standards for high-efficiency equipment and appliances

Next generation, low carbon technologies

Supporting building codes and energy efficient housing in Indigenous communities

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More than a third of estimated GHG emissions reductions in the PCF are from energy efficiency measures





## POTENTIAL IMPACTS FROM BUILDINGS PROGRAMS BY 2030



Associated benefits:

- Job creation
- Reducing energy costs for Canadians
- Supporting innovation and competitiveness
- Healthier indoor environments
- Enabling long-term decarbonisation





## OFFICE OF ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROGRAMS FOR BUILDINGS

**Products** Model codes developed Regulations under the Set Minimum Standards with NRC for adoption by Energy Efficiency Act provinces and territories ENERGY STAR®

Portfolio Manager® ENER GUIDE Support National Labels and Benchmarking Tools ENER GUIDE (regulated and voluntary) Drive innovation with Premium Standards

2/3 of provincial/territorial spending on incentive programs using NRCan tools (EnerGuide and ENERGY STAR)





## MINIMUM STANDARDS



Regulations under the Energy Efficiency Act for products and equipment

Set minimum standards that remove the least efficient appliances and equipment from the market



#### Model energy codes for new buildings

- National Energy Code for Buildings 2011 and 2015
- National Building Code for Homes
- New Net-Zero Energy Ready Code
- RD&D projects lower costs and improve performance of new generation technologies



#### Model energy codes for existing buildings

• New minimum energy performance requirements at major building lifecycle events (e.g., at renovation, sale, change of occupancy etc.)





## LABELS AND BENCHMARKING

# **ENER**GUIDE

- More than 1 million homes rated for energy performance
- More than 800,000 retrofits of homes
- More than 60 programs and regulations are delivered using ENERGUIDE
- Also applies to household appliances and heating equipment



- Used for more than 22% of Canadian floor space
- Expansion in 2017 to support improved energy use data and new programs
- New ENERGY STAR Certification to recognize top performers

#### National Online Platform

 Developing a new national online platform for labelling and sharing energy data by 2019 to support regional rating and disclosure programs





## PREMIUM STANDARDS



### **ENERGY STAR Program Certification**

- Equipment: almost 600 Canadian manufacturers build to ENERGY STAR specifications across 70 product types
- Homes: 74,000 certified; 700 participating builders
- New commercial and institutional buildings: certification to launch in 2018



#### R-2000

- Market transformation: credited with 22% of residential energy efficiency improvements since 1980
- An R-2000 home built in 2005 is now a typical home today





An ENERGY STAR house is 20% more efficient



An R-2000 house is 50% more efficient



A net-zero house: energy purchased and energy generated through renewable sources is equal



The **ENERGUIDE** System provides the baseline for building codes and voluntary programs





## ACHIEVING SUCCESS BY 2030 AND BEYOND

Working with PTs to support adoption and implementation of measures for the buildings sector

Developing an ecosystem approach for RD&D

- Projects on high performance and net-zero energy ready building components lower construction and technology costs
- Enables industry to identify, select, and confidently adopt new technologies and practices
- Supports market transformation measures to accelerate the adoption of next generation, low-carbon technologies

Considering long-term measures to transition to a low-carbon economy









# Thank you



