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THE GLOBAL PROTOCOL FOR COMMUNITY-SCALE GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSION INVENTORIES (GPC)

A city's ability to take effective action on mitigating climate change, and monitor progress, depends on having access to good quality data on greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions. Planning for climate action begins with measuring GHG emissions.

A city-wide GHG inventory enables cities to measure their overall emissions, as well as understand the contribution of different activities within the city. In 2014, C40, WRI and ICLEI launched the Global Protocol for Community-scale Greenhouse Gas Emission Inventories (GPC) to support cities to develop robust, comprehensive and consistent inventories. It seeks to:

- > Help cities develop a comprehensive and robust GHG inventory in order to support climate action planning
- > Help cities establish a base year emissions inventory, set reduction targets, and track their performance
- > Ensure consistent and transparent measurement and reporting of GHG emissions between cities, following internationally recognized GHG accounting and reporting principles
- > Enable city inventories to be aggregated at subnational and national levels
- > Demonstrate the important role that cities play in tackling climate change, and facilitate insight through benchmarking—and aggregation—of comparable data.

GPC REPORTING FRAMEWORK (GPC CHAPTER 4.1, FIGURE 4.1, PAGE 37)

The GPC does not specify the calculation methodologies to be used to estimate your city's emissions. Rather, it provides a clear framework for calculating and reporting city-wide GHG emissions, consistent with IPCC Guidelines, that emphasises transparency and organisation of emissions data in a way that facilitates consistency and comparability across cities globally.

The GPC requires cities to report GHG emissions by scope and sector. Activities taking place within a city can generate GHG emissions that occur inside the city boundary as well as outside the city boundary. To distinguish between these, the GPC groups emissions into three categories based on where they occur in order to avoid double counting: scope 1, scope 2 or scope 3.

Scope	Definition	Sectors and sub-sectors	Scope 1	Scope 2	Scope 3
Scope 1	GHG emissions from sources located within the city boundary.	Stationary energy			
		Residential buildings	✓	✓	✓
		Commercial buildings	✓	✓	✓
		Institutional buildings	✓	✓	✓
Scope 2	GHG emissions occurring as a consequence of the use of grid-supplied electricity, heat, steam and/or cooling within the city boundary.	Manufacturing industries and construction	✓	✓	✓
		Energy industries	✓	✓	✓
		Energy generation supplied to the grid	✓	✓	✓
Scope 3	All other GHG emissions that occur outside the city boundary as a result of activities taking place within the city boundary.	Agriculture, forestry, and fishing activities	✓	✓	✓
		Non-specified sources	✓	✓	✓
		Fugitive emissions from coal	✓		
		Fugitive emissions from oil and natural gas systems	✓		
		Transportation			
		On-road	✓	✓	✓
		Railways	✓	✓	✓
		Waterborne navigation	✓	✓	✓
		Aviation	✓	✓	✓
		Off-road	✓	✓	✓
		Waste			
		Solid waste generated in the city	✓		
		Solid waste generated outside the city	✓		
		Biological waste generated in the city	✓		
		Biological waste generated outside the city	✓		
		Incinerated and burned waste generated in the city	✓		
		Incinerated and burned waste generated outside city	✓		
		Wastewater generated in the city	✓		
		Wastewater generated outside the city	✓		
		Industrial processes and product use (IPPU)			
		Industrial processes	✓		
		Product use	✓		
		Agriculture, forestry, and fishing activities (AFOLU)			
		Livestock	✓		
		Land	✓		
		Other agriculture	✓		
		Other scope 3			

The GPC distinguishes between emissions that physically occur within the city (scope 1), from those that occur outside the city but are driven by activities taking place within the city's boundaries (scope 2), from those that occur from the use of electricity, steam, and/or heating/cooling supplied by grids which may or may not cross city boundaries (scope 3).

The sectors and sub-sectors that the GPC requires a city to report are shown in the table on the right, and definitions are provided in the section below.

The GPC uses two distinct but complementary approaches to adding up and reporting emissions:

> The city-induced framework measures GHG emissions attributable to activities taking place within the geographic boundary of the city. This covers selected scope 1, 2 and 3 emission sources, and provides two reporting levels. The BASIC level covers emission sources that occur in almost all cities (Stationary Energy, in-boundary transportation, and in-boundary generated waste) and the calculation methodologies and data are more readily available. The BASIC+ level has a more comprehensive coverage of emissions sources (BASIC sources plus IPPU, AFOLU, transboundary transportation, and energy transmission and distribution losses) and reflects more challenging data collection and calculation procedures.

> The scopes framework allows cities to comprehensively report all GHG emissions attributable to activities taking place within the geographic boundary of the city by categorizing the emission sources into in-boundary sources (scope 1, or "territorial"), grid-supplied energy sources (scope 2), and out-of-boundary sources (scope 3). Scope 1 allows for a territorial approach to aggregating multiple cities' inventories, consistent with national-level GHG reporting.

✓	= sources required for reporting
✓	= sources required for BASIC reporting
✓ + ✓	= sources required for BASIC+ reporting
✓	= additional scope 3 sources required for territorial reporting
✓	= other scope 3 sources
✓	= non-applicable emission sources

SECTOR DEFINITIONS

The table below provides definitions of all the sectors and sub-sectors covered by the GPC:

Sectors and sub-sectors	Definition
Stationary energy	GHG emissions come from fuel combustion, as well as fugitive emissions released in the process of generating, delivering, and consuming useful forms of energy (such as electricity or heat).
Residential buildings	All emissions from energy use in households
Commercial buildings	All emissions from energy use in commercial buildings and facilities
Institutional buildings	All emissions from energy use in public buildings such as schools, hospitals, government offices, highway street lighting, and other public facilities
Manufacturing industries and construction	All emissions from energy use in industrial facilities and construction activities, except those included in energy industries sub-sector. This also includes combustion for the generation of electricity and heat for own use in these industries
Energy industries	All emissions from energy production and use in energy industries
Energy generation supplied to the grid	All emissions from the generation of energy for grid-distributed electricity, steam, heat and cooling
Agriculture, forestry, and fishing activities	All emissions from energy use in agriculture, forestry, and fishing activities
Non-specified sources	All remaining emissions from facilities producing or consuming energy not specified elsewhere
Fugitive emissions from mining, processing, storage, and transportation of coal	Includes all intentional and unintentional emissions from the extraction, processing, storage and transport of fuel in the city
Fugitive emissions from oil and natural gas systems	Fugitive emissions from all oil and natural gas activities occurring in the city. The primary sources of these emissions may include fugitive equipment leaks, evaporation losses, venting, flaring and accidental releases.
Transportation	City transportation systems are designed to move people and goods within and beyond city borders. Transport vehicles and mobile equipment or machinery produce GHG emissions directly by combusting fuel or indirectly by consuming grid-delivered electricity.
On-road	On-road vehicles are designed for transporting people, property or material on common or public roads, thoroughfares, or highways. This category includes vehicles such as buses, cars, taxis, trucks, motorcycles, on-road waste collection and transportation vehicles (e.g. compactor trucks), etc.
Railways	Railways typically use energy through combustion of diesel fuels or electricity. Railways can be divided into four sub-categories: urban railway subway systems, regional commuter rail, national rail and international rail. Each can be further classified as passenger or freight.
Waterborne navigation	Water transportation includes ships, ferries, and other boats operating within the city boundary, as well as marine vessels whose journeys originate or end at ports within the city's boundary but travel to destinations outside of the city.
Aviation	Civil aviation, or air travel, includes emissions from airborne trips occurring within the geographic boundary (e.g., helicopters operating within the city) and emissions from flights departing airports that serve the city.
Off-road	Off-road vehicles are those designed or adapted for travel on unpaved terrain. This category typically includes airport ground support equipment, all-terrain vehicles, landscaping and construction equipment, bulldozers, forklifts, snowmobiles etc.
Waste	Waste disposal and treatment produces GHG emissions through aerobic or anaerobic decomposition, or incineration.
Solid waste generated in the city	Solid waste may be disposed of at managed sites (e.g., sanitary landfill and managed dumps), and at unmanaged disposal sites (e.g., open dumps, including above-ground piles, holes in the ground, and dumping into natural features, such as ravines)
Biological waste generated in the city	The biological treatment of waste refers to composting and anaerobic digestion of organic waste, such as food waste, garden and park waste, sludge, and other organic waste sources.
Incinerated and burned waste generated in the city	Incineration is a controlled, industrial process, often with energy recovery where inputs and emissions can be measured and data is often available. By contrast, open burning is an uncontrolled, often ill-sited process with different emissions and can typically only be estimated based on collection rates.
Wastewater generated in the city	Wastewater can be treated aerobically (in presence of oxygen) or anaerobically (in absence of oxygen). Wastewater can generally be categorized as domestic wastewater or industrial wastewater, and cities must report emissions from both.
Industrial processes and product use	GHG emissions resulting from non-energy related industrial activities and product uses. All GHG emissions occurring from industrial processes, product use, and non-energy uses of fossil fuels, shall be reported under IPPU.
Industrial processes	GHG emissions are produced from a wide variety of industrial activities. The main emission sources are releases from industrial processes that chemically or physically transform materials. Note, if fuels are combusted for energy use, the emission shall be reported under Stationary Energy.
Product use	Products such as refrigerants, foams or aerosol cans can release potent GHG emissions
Agriculture, forestry, and fishing activities	GHG emissions are produced through a variety of pathways, including land-use change that alter the composition of the soil, methane produced in the digestive processes of livestock, and nutrient management for agricultural purposes.
Livestock	Livestock production emits CH ₄ through enteric fermentation, and both CH ₄ and N ₂ O through management of their manure.
Land	Emissions and removals of CO ₂ are based on changes in ecosystem C stocks and are estimated for each land-use category. C stocks consist of above-ground and below-ground biomass, dead organic matter, and soil organic matter.
Other agriculture	Other sources of GHG emissions from land include rice cultivation, fertilizer use, liming, and urea application.
Other scope 3	Cities may optionally report other scope 3 emissions, such as GHG emissions embodied in fuels, water, food and construction materials.

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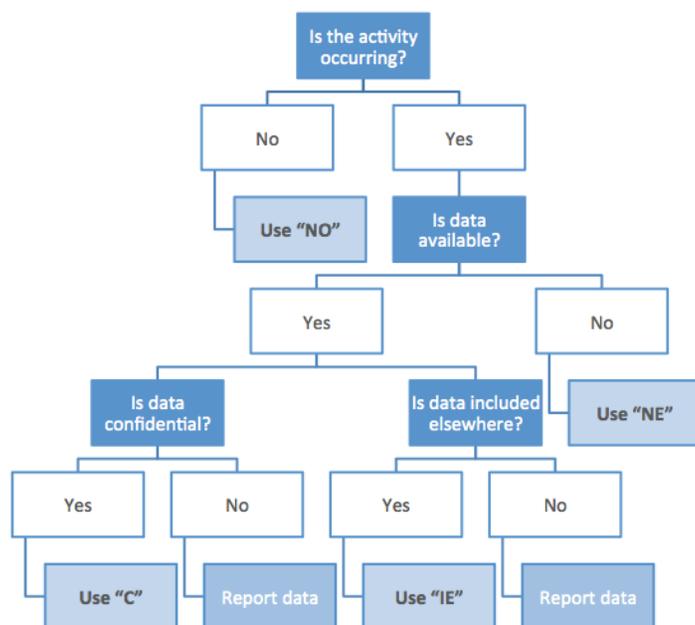
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NOTATION KEYS (GPC CHAPTER 2.2, PAGE 26)

To accommodate limitations in data availability and differences in emission sources between cities, the GPC requires the use of notation keys, as recommended in IPCC Guidelines. Where notation keys are used, cities need to provide an accompanying explanation to justify exclusions or partial accounting of GHG emission source categories.

When collecting emissions data, the first step is identifying whether or not an activity occurs in a city. If it does not, the notation key "NO" is used for the relevant GHG emission source category. For example, a landlocked city with no transport by water would use the notation key "NO" to indicate that GHG emissions from water transport do not occur. If the activity does occur in the city – and data are available – then the emissions should be reported. However, if the data are also included in another emissions source category or cannot be disaggregated, the notation key "IE" shall be used with appropriate explanation in order to avoid double counting, and the category in which they are included should be identified. For example, emissions from waste incineration would use "IE" if these emissions were also reported under generation of energy for use in buildings. If the data are available but cannot be reported for reasons of data confidentiality and cannot be included in another emissions source category, the notation key "C" would be used. For instance, certain military operations or industrial facilities may not permit public data disclosure where this impacts security. Finally, if the data are not available and, therefore, the emissions are not estimated, the notation key "NE" would be used. The latter should be avoided and can not be used for BASIC sources.

When to use notation keys?



Definitions

Notation key		Description and examples
Not occurring	NO	An activity or process does not occur or exist within the city.
	Example	I.7.1 does not occur. No coal-related activities within the city boundary. II.2.2 does not occur. Number of electric vehicles is negligible compared to total vehicle fleet (0.01% of vehicle sales in 2014 were electric).
Included elsewhere	IE	GHG emissions for this activity are estimated and presented in another category of the inventory. That category shall be noted in the explanation.
	Example	II.5.1 is reported in II.1.1. Fuel sales approach does not allow for disaggregation. III.1.2 is reported in I Stationary. Landfill gas is captured and burned as an energy source.
Not estimated	NE	Emissions occur but have not been estimated or reported; justification for exclusion shall be noted in the explanation
	Example	III.4.3 has not been estimated. Activity not required for BASIC inventory. V.1 has not been estimated. No livestock data available.
Confidential	C	GHG emissions which could lead to the disclosure of confidential information and can therefore not be reported.
	Example	Activity data for IV.1 is confidential. Data cannot be aggregated to provide confidentiality. II.5.1 is confidential. Military base within city boundary.

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GLOBAL WARMING POTENTIAL (GPC CHAPTER 5.5, TABLE 5.2, PAGE 51)

CO₂ equivalents (CO₂e) is a universal unit of measurement that accounts for the global warming potential (GWP) when measuring and comparing GHG emissions from different gases. Individual GHGs should be converted into CO₂e by multiplying by the 100-year GWP coefficients in the latest version of the IPCC Guidelines or the version used by the country's national inventory body.

Greenhouse gas		IPCC Assessment Report			
Formula	Name	5AR	4AR	3AR	2AR
CO ₂	Carbon Dioxide	1	1	1	1
CH ₄	Methane	28	25	23	21
N ₂ O	Nitrous Oxide	265	298	296	310
SF ₆	Sulphur hexafluoride	23,500	22,800	22,200	23,900
CF ₄	Carbon tetrafluoride	6,630	7,390	5,700	6,500
C ₂ F ₆	Hexafluoroethane	11,100	12,200	11,900	9,200
CHF ₃	HFC-23	12,400	14,800	12,000	11,700
CH ₂ F ₂	HFC-32	677	675	550	650
CH ₃ F	HFC-41	116	92	97	150
C ₂ HF ₅	HFC-125	3,170	3,500	3,400	2,800
C ₂ H ₂ F ₄	HFC-134	1,120	1,100	1,100	1,000
CH ₂ FCF ₃	HFC-134a	1,300	1,430	1,300	1,300
C ₂ H ₃ F ₃	HFC-143	328	353	330	300
C ₂ H ₄ F ₃	HFC-143a	4,800	4,470	4,300	3,800
C ₂ H ₄ F ₂	HFC-152a	138	124	120	140
C ₃ HF ₇	HFC-227ea	3,350	3,220	3,500	2,900
C ₃ H ₂ F ₆	HFC-236fa	8,060	9,810	9,400	6,300
C ₃ H ₃ F ₅	HFC-245ca	716	1,030	950	560
NF ₃	Nitrogen trifluoride	16,100	17,200		

Full references to the IPCC Assessment Reports are provided in the GPC

Environmental Data
 This report provides a comprehensive overview of the environmental data collected during the monitoring period. The data is presented in a structured format, allowing for easy comparison and analysis.

Parameter	Unit	Value	Limit
Temperature	°C	25.5	20-30
Humidity	%	65	50-80
Pressure	hPa	1013	1010-1015

Location	Time	Value	Unit
Station A	08:00	12.5	mg/m³
	12:00	15.2	mg/m³
Station B	08:00	8.7	mg/m³
	12:00	10.1	mg/m³

Parameter	Value	Unit
PM2.5	12.5	µg/m³
PM10	25.8	µg/m³
SO2	0.5	ppm

Parameter	Value	Unit
NO2	1.2	ppm
O3	0.8	ppm
CO	0.3	ppm

Station	Time	PM2.5	PM10	SO2	NO2	O3	CO
Station A	08:00	12.5	25.8	0.5	1.2	0.8	0.3
	12:00	15.2	30.1	0.6	1.5	0.9	0.4
Station B	08:00	8.7	18.5	0.4	1.0	0.7	0.2
	12:00	10.1	22.3	0.5	1.2	0.8	0.3

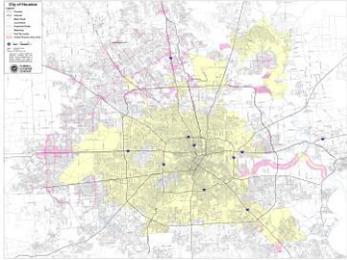
Station	Time	PM2.5	PM10	SO2	NO2	O3	CO
Station A	08:00	12.5	25.8	0.5	1.2	0.8	0.3
Station A	09:00	13.1	26.5	0.5	1.3	0.8	0.3
Station A	10:00	14.2	27.8	0.6	1.4	0.9	0.4
Station A	11:00	15.5	29.1	0.6	1.5	0.9	0.4
Station A	12:00	16.8	30.4	0.7	1.6	1.0	0.5
Station A	13:00	18.1	31.7	0.7	1.7	1.0	0.5
Station A	14:00	19.4	33.0	0.8	1.8	1.1	0.6
Station A	15:00	20.7	34.3	0.8	1.9	1.1	0.6
Station A	16:00	22.0	35.6	0.9	2.0	1.2	0.7
Station A	17:00	23.3	36.9	0.9	2.1	1.2	0.7
Station A	18:00	24.6	38.2	1.0	2.2	1.3	0.8
Station A	19:00	25.9	39.5	1.0	2.3	1.3	0.8
Station A	20:00	27.2	40.8	1.1	2.4	1.4	0.9
Station A	21:00	28.5	42.1	1.1	2.5	1.4	0.9
Station A	22:00	29.8	43.4	1.2	2.6	1.5	1.0
Station A	23:00	31.1	44.7	1.2	2.7	1.5	1.0
Station A	00:00	32.4	46.0	1.3	2.8	1.6	1.1
Station A	01:00	33.7	47.3	1.3	2.9	1.6	1.1
Station A	02:00	35.0	48.6	1.4	3.0	1.7	1.2
Station A	03:00	36.3	49.9	1.4	3.1	1.7	1.2
Station A	04:00	37.6	51.2	1.5	3.2	1.8	1.3
Station A	05:00	38.9	52.5	1.5	3.3	1.8	1.3
Station A	06:00	40.2	53.8	1.6	3.4	1.9	1.4
Station A	07:00	41.5	55.1	1.6	3.5	1.9	1.4
Station B	08:00	8.7	18.5	0.4	1.0	0.7	0.2
Station B	09:00	9.1	19.1	0.4	1.1	0.7	0.2
Station B	10:00	9.5	19.7	0.4	1.1	0.7	0.2
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Station B	04:00	16.7	30.5	0.4	2.0	0.7	0.2
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Station B	06:00	17.5	31.7	0.4	2.1	0.7	0.2
Station B	07:00	17.9	32.3	0.4	2.2	0.7	0.2

A. INVENTORY BOUNDARY (GPC CHAPTER 4.4, TABLE 4.1, PAGE 40)

Boundary	Information	Reference(s)
Name of city	Houston	
Country	USA	
Region	North America	
Inventory year (select from list)	2014	Calendar year
Geographic boundary (select from list)	City / Municipality	City of Houston Planning and Development Department - Boundary Map
Heating degree days (HDD, "C")	499	16 °C
Cooling degree days (CDD, "C")	2330	16 °C
Land area (km2) within city boundary	1,553	https://www.census.gov/quickfacts/table/US0110210/6825000A0
Resident population within city boundary*	2,239,558	https://www.census.gov/data/datasets/2016/demo/popres/total-cities-and-towns.html
GDP (US\$) of economic activity within city boundary*	522,028,000,000	Bureau of Economic Analysis https://www.bea.gov/table/table.cfm?reqid=70&step=1#reqid=70&step=10&sur=18,7003-200&7035--
Type of economy (select from list)	Other (please specify)	Oil and Gas, Services
Climate (select from list)	Temperate, hot summer	http://people.eng.unimelb.edu.au/mpee1/koppen.html
Other information		

* Should correspond to inventory year

B. MAP OF CITY BOUNDARY



a map of your city boundary in this box
(use insert > picture from file)

C. INVENTORY INFORMATION

Inventory	Information
GPC reporting level (select from list)	BASIC
Greenhouse gases included in inventory (select from list)	CO2, CH4, N2O
Global Warming Potential (select relevant IPCC AR from list)	IPCC Fourth Assessment Report (2007)
Please explain your choice of GWP (if not AR4 or AR5)	
Description of overall methodology and tools used	The inventory is consistent with the Global Protocol for Community-Scale Greenhouse Gas Emission Inventories (GPC), unless otherwise noted. All external data sources and emission factors are documented. Any assumptions made are documented appropriately in the relevant sector.
Relevant local, regional and national regulations	No specific regulations around the development of city-wide GHG inventories. Key government stakeholders are Houston-Galveston Area Council, Texas Council on Environmental Quality, and City of Houston's Planning Department.
Comments on change in total emissions since last reported inventory	
Has the inventory been audited or verified by a third party?	No
Planned improvements	In future years, the City of Houston will attempt to generate updated on-road transportation data using an origin-destination method, and will attempt to acquire data for waterborne navigation and fugitive emissions from oil and natural gas processing as well as identify potential private industrial WWTPs operating within the city limits to identify emissions.

D. INVENTORY COMPILER

Inventory	Information
Compiler name	Lara Cottingham, Larissa Williams
Department	Administration and Regulatory Affairs (ARA)
Date	5/17/2018
Version	2014 Inventory
Email	Lara.Cottingham@houston.tx.gov; Larissa.Williams@houston.tx.gov
Webpage	www.houstontx.gov



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VI. OTHER SCOPE 3

Use this tab to record activity and emissions data for Other scope 3 sources. This sector is optional. The "Add" function allows you to select the required number of rows for each section. Emission factors should be recorded in the "Emission factor" tab. Use the "Activity data unit converter" if activity data units do not match the emission factor selected. The notation key RE has been used for this sector. Please delete this and the explanation if you have activity or emissions data for this sector.

VI.1 OTHER SCOPE 3

GFC of No.	Scope	Sector	GHG Emission Source	Inventory	Region	Activity data			Emission factor	Emissions data	Energy conversion (CO ₂ e)			GHG Emission factor (CO ₂ e)			Data Quality	Description of method(s) used or explanation for using notation flag(s)	Source	Data quality explanation (optional)
						Amount	Unit	Conversion			CO ₂	CH ₄	N ₂ O	CO ₂ e	CO ₂	CH ₄				
VI.1	3	Other Scope 3			RE														RE has not been estimated, not required for GHG	

FUGITIVE EMISSIONS FROM GAS DISTRIBUTION CALCULATOR (1.8)

This tool has been designed to help cities estimate fugitive emissions from the distribution of gas to end users via a low pressure distribution system within cities. All default values and their sources can be found in the Data Table section below.

1. Instructions

1.	Grey cells contain formulas and default values based on IPCC 2006 Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories. Please do not modify these.
2.	White cells, in the calculation table, are for user-entered data ('override'). Where applicable, these can be used to override the default data in the grey cells.
3.	All red cells must be completed; select "Development status" in the City information box and enter "Activity data" and select the relevant "Unit" in the Calculation table

2. City information

City information	Default	
City	Houston	
Country	USA	
Development status	Developed	< Select from list
Global Warming Potential	4AR	

3. Emissions summary

Source	Total tCO ₂ e		
	CO ₂	CH ₄	Total
Fugitive emissions	75	40,495	40,570

4. Carbon dioxide (CO₂) and methane (CH₄) emissions from gas distribution

Formulas

CO ₂ emissions = Σ (V * EF)	
V	= Volume of utility sales, m ³
EF	= Emission factor, tCO ₂ /m ³

CH ₄ emissions = Σ (V * EF)	
V	= Volume of utility sales, m ³
EF	= Emission factor, tCH ₄ /m ³

Calculation table

Activity Data	Unit	Net-calorific value				Density, kg/m ³		Conversions		Emission factors, t/m ³				CO ₂		CH ₄		Total
		TJ/Gg		kWh/tonne ²		Value		kWh	m ³	CO ₂		CH ₄		tCO ₂	tCH ₄	tCO ₂ e	tCO ₂ e	tCO ₂ e
		Value	Default ¹	Override	Value	Default ³	Override	Value	Value	Default ⁴	Override	Default ⁴	Override	Value	Value	Value	Value	Value
1,472,552,663	m ³	48		13,333	0.70			1472552663	0.000000051			0.0000011		75	1619.8079	40495	40570	
		48		13,333	0.70													
		48		13,333	0.70													
		48		13,333	0.70													
		48		13,333	0.70													
Total													75	1620	40495	40570		

¹ Net Calorific Values for fuels, Table 1.2, Volume 2 Chapter 1, IPCC 2006 Guidelines http://www.ipcc-nggip.iges.or.jp/public/2006gl/pdf/2_Volume2/V2_1_Ch1_Introduction.pdf

² The conversion from GJ to kWh is 277.78 (See Conversion factors tab)

³ Source: WRI/WBCSD stationary combustion calculation tool version 3.3. Note: Density value is highly sensitive to changes in temperature and pressure. Value indicated is based on room temperature and standard atmospheric pressure.

⁴ Default emission factors from Table 4.2.4 for developed countries and Table 4.2.5 for developing countries, Chapter 4, IPCC 2006

DATA TABLE

IPCC 2006 Volume 2 Chapter 4 Fugitive Emissions Table 4.2.4 and 4.2.5: Tier 1 Emission Factors for Fugitive Emissions From Oil and Gas Operations in Developed Countries/ Developing Countries and Countries with Economies in Transition

IPCC Code 1.B.2.b.iii.5	CH ₄			CO ₂		
	Range	Value	Uncertainty	Range	Value	Uncertainty
Gg per 1,000,000 m ³ utility sales						
Developed		1.10E-03	-20 to +500%		5.10E-05	-20 to +500%
Developing	1.1E-03 to 2.5E-03	0.0018	-20 to +500%	5.1E-05 to 1.4E-04	0.00009575	-20 to +500%
Tonnes per m ³ utility sales						
Developed		1.10E-06	-20 to +500%		5.10E-08	-20 to +500%
Developing		1.80E-06	-20 to +500%		9.58E-08	-20 to +500%

Note - Values for Developing countries have been derived from the average of the range. Cities are advised to replace these default values with country-specific values wherever possible

BIOLOGICAL TREATMENT OF SOLID WASTE EMISSIONS CALCULATOR (III.2)

This tool has been designed to help cities estimate methane (CH₄) and nitrous oxide (N₂O) emissions from biological treatment of waste (composting or anaerobic digestion). All default values and their sources can be found in the Data Table section below.

1. Instructions

1.	Grey cells contain formulas and default values based on IPCC 2006 Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories. Please do not modify these.
2.	White cells, in the calculation table, are for user-entered data ('override'). Where applicable, these can be used to override the default data in the grey cells.
3.	All red cells must be completed; enter total amount of organic waste treated biologically in metric tonnes and select "Type of waste" in the City information box
4.	Select "Treatment type" and enter amount of organic waste treated as either kg or % in the Calculation table

2. City information

City information	Default	
City	Houston	
Country	USA	
Total organic waste treated biologically in metric tonnes	236,266	< Enter amount
Type of waste	Wet waste	< Select from list
Global Warming Potential	4AR	

>>> Wet waste is not treated before measuring, while dry waste is estimated after drying

3. Emissions summary

Source	Total GHGs (metric tonnes CO ₂ e)		
	CH ₄	N ₂ O	Total
Composting	23,627	16,898	40,524
Anaerobic digestion	0	Not occurring	
Total	23,627	16,898	40,524

4. Calculations for methane (CH₄) and nitrous oxide (N₂O) emissions from biological treatment of waste

Formulas

GPC equation 8.5

CH ₄ emissions = Σ (M _i * EF _i) * 0,001 - R _i	
M _i	= Mass of organic waste treated by biological treatment type i, Gg
EF _i	= Emission factor for treatment i, gCH ₄ /kg waste treated
i	= Composting or anaerobic digestion
R _i	= Total amount of CH ₄ recovered, t CH ₄ ; default 0

N ₂ O emissions = Σ (M _i * EF _i) * 0,001	
M _i	= Mass of organic waste treated by biological treatment type i, Gg
EF _i	= Emission factor for treatment i, gN ₂ O/kg waste treated
i	= Composting or anaerobic digestion

Calculation table

Treatment type	Organic waste treated		Emission factor ¹				Amount of CH ₄ recovered, tCH ₄		Total GHG emissions				
	Mass, tonnes	gr % of total waste	CH ₄ , gCH ₄ /kg waste treated		N ₂ O, gN ₂ O/kg waste treated		Default	Override	CH ₄		N ₂ O		Total tCO ₂ e
			Default	Override	Default	Override			tCH ₄	tCO ₂ e	tN ₂ O	tCO ₂ e	
Composting	236,266		4.0		0.24		0		945	23627	57	16898	40524
Please select							0						
Please select							0						
Please select							0						
Please select							0						
Must add to 100%								Total	945	23627	57	16898	40524

¹ 2006 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories Volume 5 Chapter 4 Biological Treatment of Solid Waste Table 4.1: Default emission factors for CH₄ and N₂O emissions from biological treatment of waste

DATA TABLE

2006 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories Volume 5 Chapter 4 Biological Treatment of Solid Waste Table 4.1: Default emission factors for CH₄ and N₂O emissions from biological treatment of waste

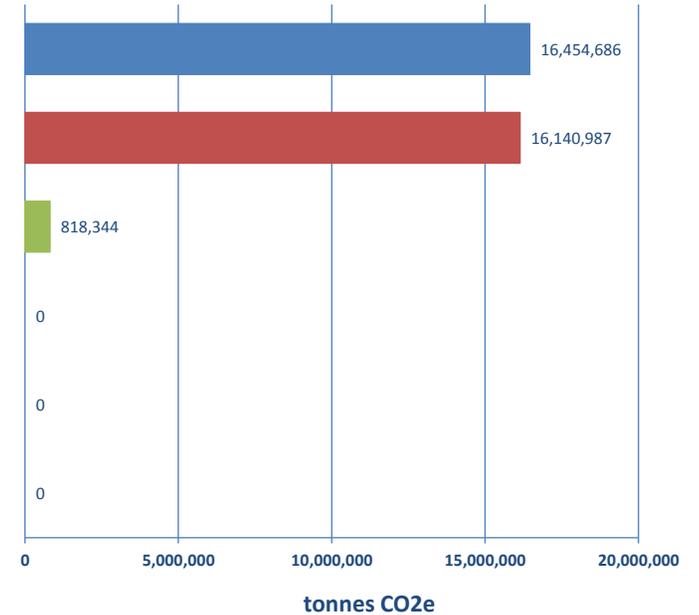
Treatment type	CH ₄ (gCH ₄ /kgWaste)				N ₂ O (gN ₂ O/kgWaste)			
	Dry waste		Wet waste		Dry waste		Wet waste	
	Value	Range	Value	Range	Value	Range	Value	Range
Composting	10	0.08-20	4	0.03-8	0.6	0.2-1.6	0.24	0.06-0.6
Anaerobic digestion	2	0-20	0.8	0-8				

SUMMARY

NAME OF CITY: Houston, USA
 BOUNDARY: BASIC
 INVENTORY YEAR: 2014

POPULATION: 2,239,558
 LAND AREA (km²): 1,553
 GDP (US\$ million): 522,028

tCO ₂ e	BASIC	Scope 1	Scope 2	Scope 3
	Stationary	2,876,173	13,578,513	
	Transportation	16,140,987		
	Waste	246,760		571,584
	IPPU			
	AFOLU			
	Other Scope 3			
	TOTAL	33,414,017		



Intensity indicators	Per capita	Per unit land area (km ²)	Per unit GDP (US\$m)
Emissions	14.9	21,517	64



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OVERVIEW (GPC CHAPTER 4.4, TABLE 4.2, PAGE 41)

NAME OF CITY:	Houston, USA	POPULATION:	2,239,558
LEVEL:	BASIC	LAND AREA (km2):	1,553
INVENTORY YEAR:	2014	GDP (US\$ million):	522,028

GHG Emissions Source (By Sector)		Total GHGs (metric tonnes CO2e)					
		Scope 1	Scope 2	Scope 3	BASIC	BASIC+	BASIC+ S3
STATIONARY ENERGY	Energy use (all emissions except I.4.4)	2,876,173	13,578,513		16,454,686	16,454,686	16,454,686
	Energy generation supplied to the grid (I.4.4)	419,308					
TRANSPORTATION	(all II emissions)	16,140,987			16,140,987	16,140,987	16,140,987
WASTE	Waste generated in the city (III.X.1 and III.X.2)	246,760		571,584	818,344	818,344	818,344
	Waste generated outside city (III.X.3)	482,861					
IPPU	(all IV emissions)						
AFOLU	(all V emissions)						
OTHER SCOPE 3	(all VI emissions)						
TOTAL		20,166,089	13,578,513	571,584	33,414,017	33,414,017	33,414,017

GPC ref No.	GHG Emissions Source (By Sector and Sub-sector)	Total GHGs (metric tonnes CO2e)			
		Scope 1	Scope 2	Scope 3	Total
I	STATIONARY ENERGY				
I.1	Residential buildings	1,120,913	4,301,936	NE	5,422,849
I.2	Commercial and institutional buildings and facilities	548,931	9,276,576	NE	9,825,507
I.3	Manufacturing industries and construction	1,165,759	IE	NE	1,165,759
I.4.1/2/3	Energy industries	IE	IE	NE	
I.4.4	Energy generation supplied to the grid	419,308			
I.5	Agriculture, forestry and fishing activities	IE	IE	NE	
I.6	Non-specified sources	NO	NO	NE	
I.7	Fugitive emissions from mining, processing, storage, and transportation of coal	NO			
I.8	Fugitive emissions from oil and natural gas systems	40,570			40,570
SUB-TOTAL	(city induced framework only)	2,876,173	13,578,513		16,454,686
II	TRANSPORTATION				
II.1	On-road transportation	15,932,882	IE	NE	15,932,882
II.2	Railways	207,451	IE	NE	207,451
II.3	Waterborne navigation	NO	NO	NE	
II.4	Aviation	654	NO	NE	654
II.5	Off-road transportation	NO	NO	NE	
SUB-TOTAL	(city induced framework only)	16,140,987			16,140,987
III	WASTE				
III.1.1/2	Solid waste generated in the city	29,416		531,060	560,475
III.2.1/2	Biological waste generated in the city	NO		40,524	40,524
III.3.1/2	Incinerated and burned waste generated in the city	NO		NO	
III.4.1/2	Wastewater generated in the city	217,344		NO	217,344
III.1.3	Solid waste generated outside the city	482,861			
III.2.3	Biological waste generated outside the city	NO			
III.3.3	Incinerated and burned waste generated outside city	NO			
III.4.3	Wastewater generated outside the city	NO			
SUB-TOTAL	(city induced framework only)	246,760		571,584	818,344
IV	INDUSTRIAL PROCESSES and PRODUCT USES				
IV.1	Emissions from industrial processes occurring in the city boundary	NE			
IV.2	Emissions from product use occurring within the city boundary	NE			
SUB-TOTAL	(city induced framework only)				
V	AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY and OTHER LAND USE				
V.1	Emissions from livestock	NE			
V.2	Emissions from land	NE			
V.3	Emissions from aggregate sources and non-CO2 emission sources on land	NE			
SUB-TOTAL	(city induced framework only)				
VI	OTHER SCOPE 3				
VI.1	Other Scope 3			NE	
TOTAL	(city induced framework only)	19,263,921	13,578,513	571,584	33,414,017



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NET EMISSIONS (GPC CHAPTER 4.3, PAGE 40)

If your city has a net emissions GHG reduction target, please use the tables below to record your emission credits and allocate these to a sector. The "Add" function allows you to select the required number of rows for each type of emission credit. The summary table will then show your city's net emissions according to the GPC framework. For more information, please refer to Chapter 4.3 in the GPC.

Scope 2 emissions based on market-based method

This reflects any electricity (or other grid-connected energy) products or programmes that city consumers (individuals, businesses and local government) participate in, generally provided by the electricity supplier(s) serving the city. See GPC Chapter 6.5.1 (Page 67) for a description on how to report this.

Add	Contractual instrument or program type	Quantity of energy		Emission factor		tCO ₂ e	Allocate to sector
		Amount	Units	Amount	Units		
TOTAL market-based scope 2 emissions (in tCO₂e)							

Offset credit transactions

If offset credits are generated in the geographic boundary and sold, these should be documented in the first table and will be *added* to the reported inventory results. Any offsets purchased from outside the geographic boundary (e.g. to meet a city reduction target) should be reported in the second table and will be *deducted* from the reported inventory results.

Offset credits generated within the geographic boundary and sold

Add	Name of programme / description	Date of sale	tCO ₂ e	Allocate to sector
TOTAL inboundary offset credit transactions (in tCO₂e)				

Offset credits purchased from outside the geographic boundary

Add	Name of programme / description	Date of retirement	tCO ₂ e	Allocate to sector
TOTAL out of boundary offset credit transactions (in tCO₂e)				

Renewable energy production or investments

This table records renewable energy generation (in MWh or kWh) produced within the geographic boundary, or reflecting an investment by the city outside the city boundary (e.g. offshore wind) that otherwise only indirectly impacts scope 2 emissions (through a lower grid average emission factor) and that would not be visible in scope 1 emissions for energy generation (due to their zero emissions).

Add	Technology type	Energy supplied to grid		Located in city boundary?	% outside boundary	Benchmark energy source	Emission factor		Correction (tCO ₂ e)	tCO ₂ e	Allocate to sector
		Amount	Units				Amount	Units			
TOTAL renewable energy production or investments (in tCO₂e)											

NET EMISSIONS SUMMARY

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BOUNDARY:	City / Municipality	LAND AREA (km²):	1,553
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GHG Emissions Source (By Sector)	Total GHGs (metric tonnes CO ₂ e)			Reductions (tCO ₂ e)	Total net GHGs (metric tonnes CO ₂ e)		
	Scope 1	Scope 2	Scope 3		BASIC	BASIC+	BASIC+ S3
STATIONARY ENERGY	Energy use (all emissions except I.4.4)						
	2,876,173	13,578,513			16,454,686	16,454,686	16,454,686
	Energy generation supplied to the grid (I.4.4)						
	419,308						
TRANSPORTATION	(all II emissions)						
	16,140,987				16,140,987	16,140,987	16,140,987
WASTE	Waste generated in the city (III.X.1 and III.X.2)						
	246,760		571,584		818,344	818,344	818,344
	Waste generated outside city (III.X.3)						
	482,861						
IPPU	(all IV emissions)						
AFOLU	(all V emissions)						
OTHER SCOPE 3	(all VI emissions)						
TOTAL	20,166,089	13,578,513	571,584	Total reductions	33,414,017	33,414,017	33,414,017