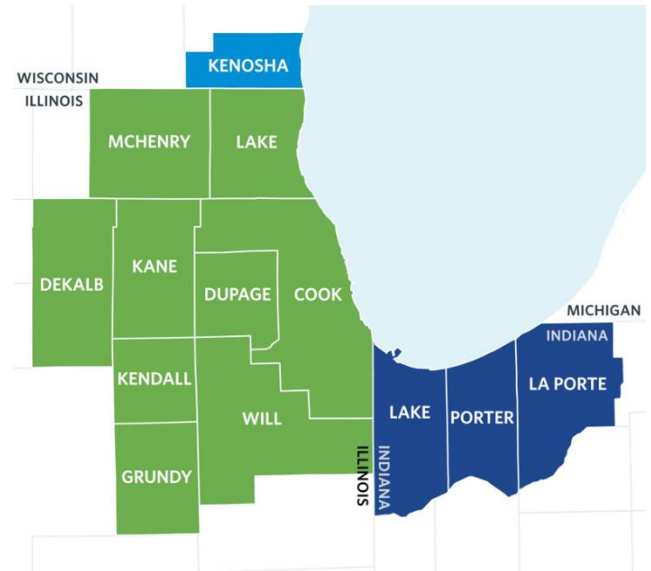


## What is the comprehensive climate action plan?

The comprehensive climate action plan will identify key actions needed to reduce greenhouse gas emissions from all major sources and align the greater Chicago region with national net-zero emissions goals by 2050. This is a national goal to avoid the worst impacts of climate change.

This plan covers 13 counties and 3 states in Greater Chicago. It will build on previous climate action plans from across the region, creating a coordinated strategy to equitably reduce emissions and address climate impacts in low-income and disadvantaged communities.

The Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning, Metropolitan Mayors Caucus, and Northwest Indiana Regional Planning Commission are creating this plan together. This work is supported, in part, by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Climate Pollution Reduction Grant program and will be completed by December 2025.



## Guiding principles



### Commit to zero

Embrace transformative strategies that accelerate the region's progress toward net zero emissions by 2050 and avoid the worst impacts of climate change.



### Center equity

Engage underserved and marginalized communities to reduce existing disparities, design strategies to maximize benefits, and advance an inclusive energy transition.



### Plan for action

Prioritize actions that move the region towards both short-term goals and long-term climate prosperity. Collaborate with stakeholders to ensure plan recommendations are relevant, realistic, and actionable.

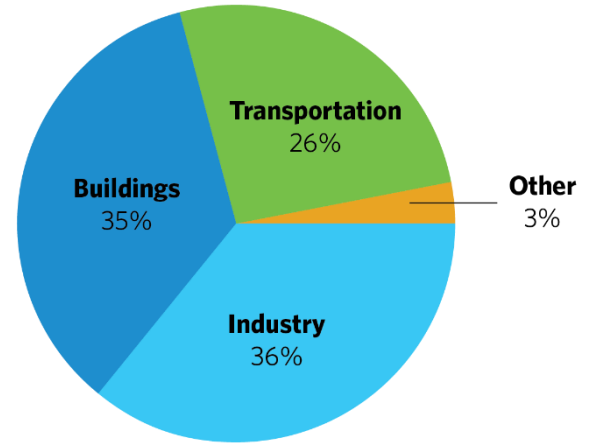


### Grow a clean economy

Harness the economic opportunities of climate action to foster innovation, create quality jobs, and position the region as a leader in the clean energy economy.

## Where are greenhouse gas emissions coming from?

In 2020, the greater Chicago region produced about 152 million metric tons of carbon dioxide equivalent. About 36 percent of that comes from industry, 35 percent from buildings, and 26 percent from transportation. The remaining 3 percent comes from agriculture, water, wastewater, and waste. In addition, carbon sequestration — the process of capturing and storing carbon dioxide from the atmosphere — from trees, forests, and wetlands offset an estimated two percent of the region’s emissions.



## What strategies will the plan recommend?

A wide range of strategies will need to be implemented to reduce emissions from buildings, industry, transportation, and other sources.

The strategies can also generate other benefits, such as cleaner air, lower energy costs, and new jobs. The plan will seek to maximize benefits and minimize negative impacts to low-income and disadvantaged communities.



## Learn more

Learn more about the Comprehensive Climate Action Plan for Greater Chicago by visiting [cmap.is/ccap](https://cmap.is/ccap).

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