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Pennsylvania has several sectors which contribute to Greenhouse Gas (GHG) emissions, and each of these sectors has undergone fluctuations since 2000. Changes in amount and type of fuel consumption, growth and slow-downs in the economy, and duration of severe weather events all have a role in the trends observed in the Commonwealth's GHG emissions.

The following sectors have a GHG emission total associated with them within the Commonwealth: residential, commercial, industrial, transportation, electricity production, agriculture, waste management, forestry, and land use. Data for this inventory were primarily obtained from the EPA State Inventory Tool (SIT). SIT is an interactive spreadsheet model designed to help states develop GHG emissions inventories and provides a streamlined way to update an existing inventory or complete a new inventory.

The SIT consists of 11 estimation modules applying top-down approach to calculate GHG emissions, and one module to synthesize estimates across all modules. The default data are gathered by federal agencies and incorporate reported data from private, state, and local sources covering fossil fuels, electricity consumption, agriculture, forestry, waste management, and industry. As is customary, the units for the GHG emissions are given in million metric tons of carbon dioxide equivalent (MMtCO₂e). A metric ton is equal to 2,204.6 pounds or approximately 1.1 short tons (US tons). The greenhouse gases typically accounted for in the SIT are carbon dioxide (CO₂), methane (CH₄), and nitrous oxide (N₂O). Each GHG has a different global warming potential (GWP), which is accounted for when converting emissions to MMtCO₂e. The default GWP used by the SIT for CO₂ is 1.0, CH₄ = 25, and N₂O = 298. The GWP of a GHG will vary depending on the time scale selected. The default time scale for the SIT is 100 years. In order to provide consistency with previous updates and other state inventories using the SIT, the default values were not changed in compiling the inventory.

As shown in Table 1, the total statewide gross GHG emissions for Pennsylvania in 2014, the latest year with complete data available from the SIT, were 303.85 MMtCO₂e. Pennsylvania's Forestry and Land Use sector provides a carbon sink for GHG emissions, absorbing approximately 34.38 MMtCO₂e in 2014, and lowering the Commonwealth's net GHG emission for 2014 to 269.47 MMtCO₂e. Table 1 also shows a relative decrease of 6.77 percent in the gross emission and 11.37 percent in the net emission totals for 2014 relative to 2000.

Also shown in Table 1, the sectors with the largest contribution to the Commonwealth's GHG emissions are the transportation, industrial, and electricity production sectors. The relative change for each of these sectors between 2000 and 2014 was a decrease of 9.66 MMtCO₂e for the transportation sector, an increase of 7.51 MMtCO₂e for the industrial sector, and a decrease of 18.47 MMtCO₂e for the electricity production sector. Together, these three sectors annually account for over 82% of Pennsylvania's GHG emissions.

The residential, commercial, and agriculture sectors also experienced declines in GHG emissions during the time period from 2000 to 2014. The residential, commercial, and agriculture sectors had decreases in GHG emissions of approximately 3.46, 1.76, and 0.70 MMtCO₂e, respectively, during this time period.

GHG emissions from the waste management sector experienced an approximately 4.46 MMtCO₂e increase from 2000 to 2014. During this same period, the GHG emissions sequestered in the forest and land use sector have increased by approximately 12.5 MMtCO₂e.

A brief discussion of each individual sector will occur later in the document. The discussion will focus on the trends of various components within each sector, such as fuel mix or subgroups of the sector.

Table 1 – GHG Emissions by Sector

| Sector / Emission Sources (MMTCO ₂ e) | 2000 | 2005 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 |
|--|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Residential | 25.69 | 23.89 | 20.2 | 19.43 | 17.28 | 20.05 | 22.23 |
| Commercial | 12.95 | 12.93 | 10.56 | 10.32 | 9.07 | 10.51 | 11.19 |
| Industrial | 84.98 | 80.01 | 80.69 | 81.15 | 82.61 | 91.36 | 92.49 |
| Combustion of Fossil Fuels | 48.91 | 46.42 | 40.54 | 40.98 | 42.45 | 49.45 | 51.25 |
| Industrial Process | 15.53 | 13.75 | 18.28 | 19.29 | 19.15 | 19.55 | 18.88 |
| Coal Mining and Abandoned Mines | 13.71 | 10.13 | 12.42 | 9.74 | 9.71 | 11.23 | 10.65 |
| Natural Gas and Oil Systems | 6.83 | 9.71 | 9.45 | 11.14 | 11.3 | 11.13 | 11.71 |
| Transportation | 70.57 | 72.63 | 64.88 | 62.97 | 62.07 | 61.54 | 60.91 |
| Petroleum | 68.44 | 70.92 | 62.25 | 60.13 | 59.99 | 59.42 | 58.87 |
| Natural Gas | 2.13 | 1.71 | 2.62 | 2.84 | 2.07 | 2.13 | 2.04 |
| Electricity Production (in-state) | 115.53 | 120.96 | 116.57 | 111.41 | 104.77 | 103.41 | 97.06 |
| Coal | 111.04 | 112.34 | 102.7 | 94.32 | 82.93 | 83.08 | 74.68 |
| Petroleum | 3.37 | 4.19 | 0.51 | 0.4 | 0.26 | 0.29 | 0.54 |
| Natural Gas | 1.13 | 4.43 | 13.37 | 16.7 | 21.57 | 20.04 | 21.43 |
| N ₂ O | 0.554 | 0.564 | 0.513 | 0.473 | 0.417 | 0.416 | 0.376 |
| CH ₄ | 0.037 | 0.039 | 0.037 | 0.036 | 0.033 | 0.032 | 0.031 |
| | | | 30 | | | | |
| Agriculture | 8.5 | 8.47 | 8.6 | 8.61 | 8.66 | 8.74 | 8.73 |
| Enteric Fermentation | 3.62 | 3.49 | 3.62 | 3.63 | 3.63 | 3.63 | 3.66 |
| Manure Management | 2 | 2.22 | 2.21 | 2.21 | 2.2 | 2.23 | 2.31 |
| Agricultural Soil Management | 2.87 | 2.76 | 2.76 | 2.76 | 2.82 | 2.86 | 2.75 |
| Burning of Agricultural Crop Waste | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 |
| Waste Management | 7.71 | 8.34 | 11.12 | 11.43 | 11.69 | 11.88 | 12.17 |
| Solid Waste and Combustion | 6.02 | 6.63 | 9.38 | 9.68 | 9.93 | 10.18 | 10.41 |
| Waste Water | 1.7 | 1.7 | 1.74 | 1.75 | 1.76 | 1.7 | 1.76 |
| Total Statewide Gross Emissions (Prod) | 325.93 | 327.23 | 312.62 | 305.32 | 296.15 | 307.49 | 303.85 |
| <i>Increase relative to 2000</i> | | 0.39% | -4.08% | -6.32% | -9.13% | -5.66% | -6.77% |
| Forestry and Land Use | -21.88 | -34.25 | -34.11 | -34.29 | -34.31 | -34.35 | -34.38 |
| Total Statewide Net Emissions (Prod w/ Sinks) | 304.05 | 292.98 | 278.51 | 271.03 | 261.84 | 273.14 | 269.47 |
| <i>Increase relative to 2000</i> | | -3.64% | -8.40% | 10.86% | 13.89% | -10.21% | 11.37% |

Figure 1 displays the total contribution to the Commonwealth's GHG emissions for the residential, commercial, industrial, transportation, electricity production, agriculture, and waste management sectors.

Residential Sector

The emissions attributed to the Residential Sector result from fuels combusted to provide heat and hot water to residential homes within the Commonwealth. These fuels, in order of decreasing use in 2014, are Natural Gas, Heating Oil, Propane, and Kerosene. Table 2 shows the amount of each fuel used (billion Btu) in residential homes within the Commonwealth. Several factors will have an effect on the amount of a fuel being used; including the severity of the weather, efficiency of the heating/hot water system, and the price/availability of a particular fuel. No electricity consumption is included in these values.

Table 2 – Residential Sector Fuel Consumption (Billion Btu)

| Billion Btu | 1990 | 1995 | 2000 | 2005 | 2010 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 |
|-------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Coal | 6,570 | 3,836 | 2154 | 1,253 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Heating Oil | 117,704 | 118,190 | 121,678 | 115,753 | 85,476 | 70,867 | 79,446 | 91,219 |
| Kerosene | 7,810 | 11,702 | 15,822 | 10,330 | 4,211 | 1,076 | 1,152 | 2,030 |
| Propane | 8,289 | 10,107 | 14,687 | 15,102 | 20,815 | 16,902 | 18,976 | 18,832 |
| Natural Gas | 249,467 | 271,374 | 271,994 | 255,038 | 231,854 | 20,5991 | 243,834 | 267,409 |

Each fuel used in residential homes will have different rates of GHG emissions. Fig2 shows the GHG emission (MMTCO_{2e}) attributed to each fuel used in the residential sector. The emissions from burning firewood to heat residential homes are accounted for in the land use change sector. The emissions related to electricity use for residential homes using electricity for heating or cooling purposes are accounted for in the electricity production sector.

Commercial Sector

The emissions attributed to the commercial sector result from fuels combusted to provide heat and hot water to commercial buildings within the Commonwealth. These fuels, in order of decreasing use in 2014, are natural gas, heating oil, propane, coal, gasoline, residual oil, and kerosene. Table 3 shows the amount of each fuel used (billion Btu) in commercial buildings within the Commonwealth. Several factors will have an effect on the amount of a fuel being used; including the severity of the weather, efficiency of the heating/hot water system, and the price/availability of a particular fuel. No electricity consumption is included in these values.

Table 3 - Commercial Sector Fuel Consumption (Billion Btu)

| Billion Btu | 1990 | 1995 | 2000 | 2005 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 |
|-----------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Coal | 26,279 | 25,669 | 17,427 | 14,407 | 4,729 | 4,343 | 3,286 | 3,073 | 3,082 |
| Distillate Fuel | 38,676 | 36,862 | 31,978 | 35,632 | 23,638 | 21,063 | 17,103 | 18,557 | 19,877 |
| Kerosene | 851 | 2,992 | 2,307 | 2,610 | 755 | 198 | 67 | 58 | 212 |
| LPG | 3,143 | 3,834 | 5,571 | 5,473 | 6,865 | 7,907 | 6,540 | 7,713 | 7,767 |
| Motor Gasoline | 3,683 | 453 | 761 | 463 | 429 | 426 | 421 | 434 | 425 |
| Residual Fuel | 4,992 | 7,679 | 3,985 | 3,934 | 570 | 254 | 163 | 66 | 79 |
| Natural Gas | 130,622 | 148,806 | 150,410 | 150,849 | 146,902 | 146,752 | 132,519 | 156,814 | 167,525 |

Industrial Sector

Greenhouse gas emissions from the industrial sector differ from the residential and commercial sectors in that the emissions come from four separate sub-groups: combustion of fossil fuels, the industrial process, activities involving coal mining and abandoned coal mines, and activities involving natural gas and oil systems. Within the four sub-groups, combustion of fossil fuels consistently accounts annually for over 50 percent of the GHG emissions from the industrial sector.

Combustion of Fossil Fuels in the Industrial Sector

The emissions attributed to the industrial sector result from fuels combusted to heat and cool industrial buildings and equipment within the Commonwealth. These fuels, in order of decreasing use in 2013, are natural gas, coal/coke, heating oil, coal, and various other fuels. Table 4 shows the amount of each fuel used (billion Btu) in the industrial sector within the Commonwealth. Several factors will have an effect on the amount of a fuel being used, including the severity of the weather, efficiency of the heating/cooling system, and the price/availability of a particular fuel.

Table 4 – Industrial Sector Fuel Consumption (Billion Btu)

| Billion Btu | 1990 | 1995 | 2000 | 2005 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 |
|----------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Coking Coal | 280,218 | 261,897 | 173,020 | 164,228 | 121,445 | 119,431 | 132,211 | 160,754 | 166,430 |
| Other Coal | 101,704 | 101,143 | 85,359 | 67,654 | 51,240 | 47,564 | 38,897 | 38,584 | 38,869 |
| Heating Oil | 43,482 | 25,496 | 32,294 | 32,926 | 34,119 | 40,766 | 45,537 | 50,149 | 57,176 |
| Propane | 6,641 | 3,436 | 3,313 | 12,030 | 12,464 | 13,026 | 11,277 | 9,695 | 9,415 |
| Lubricants | 15,577 | 14,861 | 15,875 | 13,392 | 12,495 | 11,855 | 10,907 | 11,541 | 12,033 |
| Petroleum Coke | 31,513 | 32,927 | 32,961 | 34,433 | 25,763 | 20,099 | 23,758 | 23,189 | 25,031 |
| Residual Fuel | 36,050 | 18,158 | 12,538 | 12,039 | 4,272 | 4,376 | 1,287 | 874 | 493 |
| Still Gas | 71,842 | 68,368 | 66,807 | 67,662 | 61,778 | 58,929 | 38,293 | 46,680 | 45,818 |
| Natural Gas | 245,738 | 255,702 | 237,183 | 193,374 | 223,481 | 251,294 | 288,558 | 350,292 | 379,325 |

Industrial Process

Some of the industrial processes that are accounted for in this group include: cement manufacturing, lime manufacturing, limestone and dolomite use, iron and steel production, substitutes for ozone-depleting substances (ODS), and electric power transmission and distribution systems. The GHG emissions attributed to ODS substitutes are determined using a national emission total and then assigning a state value based on population. For example, in 2013 the United States experienced over 158 MMTCO₂e of GHG emissions in the production and use of ODS substitutes. Pennsylvania's population in 2013 was 4.07 percent of the national population; therefore, 4.04% of 158 MMTCO₂e (6.41 MMTCO₂e) was assigned to Pennsylvania's inventory. Table 5 shows the GHG emissions (MMTCO₂e) attributed to each of the processes included within the industrial sector.

Table 5 – Industrial Sector Process Emissions (MMTCO₂e)

| MMTCO ₂ e | 1990 | 1995 | 2000 | 2005 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 |
|----------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Cement Manufacture | 2.66 | 3.08 | 3.36 | 3.13 | 2.96 | 2.83 | 2.89 | 2.97 | 3 |
| Lime Manufacture | 1.13 | 1.07 | 1.19 | 0.85 | 1.72 | 1.79 | 1.68 | 1.65 | 2 |
| Limestone and Dolomite Use | - | 0.58 | 0.39 | 0.55 | 0.87 | 0.81 | 0.59 | 0.75 | 0.94 |
| Iron & Steel Production | - | - | 6.33 | 4.48 | 6.44 | 6.65 | 6.66 | 6.82 | 6.00 |
| ODS Substitutes | 0.01 | 1.60 | 3.85 | 4.64 | 5.93 | 6.07 | 6.24 | 6.41 | 6.46 |

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|---|-------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Electric Power Transmission and Distribution Systems | 1.07 | 0.85 | 0.55 | 0.43 | 0.28 | 0.27 | 0.22 | 0.20 | 0.22 |
| Total | 4.88 | 7.18 | 15.67 | 14.08 | 18.20 | 18.42 | 18.29 | 18.81 | 18.62 |

Please note that tracking of GHG emissions for Limestone and Dolomite use did not begin in the Commonwealth until 1994 and for Iron and Steel Production until 1997.

Coal Mining and Abandoned Coal Mines

The GHG emissions associated with coal mining, both underground and surface mines, and processing coal are accounted for in this section. The GHG emissions coming from abandoned coal mines are also included. The majority of emissions come from underground mining activity. The results are determined by measurements of ventilation air from underground mines and by applying emission factors for surface mines, abandoned mines, and for coal processing. Table 6 shows the GHG emissions (MMTCO_{2e}) attributed to underground and surface coal mining, coal processing, and abandoned underground mines.

Table 6 – Coal Mining-Related Process Emissions (MMTCO_{2e})

| MMTCO _{2e} | 1990 | 1995 | 2000 | 2005 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 |
|-------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|
| Underground Mining | 7.98 | 9.91 | 9.57 | 6.64 | 9.39 | 6.69 | 6.89 | 8.56 | 7.83 |
| Surface Mining | 1.65 | 1.14 | 0.97 | 0.73 | 0.61 | 0.67 | 0.54 | 0.50 | 0.45 |
| Underground Processing | 0.86 | 0.88 | 1.23 | 1.16 | 1.01 | 1.01 | 0.96 | 0.90 | 1.12 |
| Surface Processing | 0.27 | 0.18 | 0.16 | 0.12 | 0.10 | 0.11 | 0.09 | 0.08 | 0.073 |
| Abandoned Mines | 0.50 | 1.24 | 0.84 | 0.87 | 0.66 | 0.64 | 0.62 | 0.60 | 1.17 |
| Total | 11.25 | 13.35 | 12.78 | 9.52 | 11.78 | 9.11 | 9.10 | 10.63 | 10.64 |

Natural Gas and Oil Systems

The GHG emissions associated with natural gas production, transmission, and distribution are accounted for in this section. Emission factors are used in determining the total GHG emissions based on the number of natural gas wells, miles of transmission pipeline, and the number and types of services used for distribution in the Commonwealth. The natural gas transmission data became available in 2001 while the distribution data became available in 1997. DEP began to collect site-specific emission data from natural gas production in 2010. In order to provide consistency from previous years, this inventory continues to use default SIT emission factors for natural gas production for all years. An emission factor is also used to determine the GHG emissions based on the total oil production within the Commonwealth. Table 7 shows the GHG emissions (MMTCO_{2e}) attributed to natural gas production, transmission, and distribution, and oil production.

Table 7 – Natural Gas Production Process Emissions (MMTCO_{2e})

| MMTCO _{2e} | 1990 | 1995 | 2000 | 2005 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 |
|---------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|
| Natural Gas Production | 3.05 | 3.15 | 3.67 | 4.78 | 4.56 | 5.57 | 5.65 | 5.85 | 6.93 |
| Natural Gas Transmission | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.92 | 1.97 | 1.89 | 1.94 | 1.95 | 1.96 |
| Natural Gas Distribution | 0.00 | 0.00 | 3.16 | 3.01 | 2.92 | 2.92 | 2.91 | 2.84 | 1.7 |
| Oil Production | 0.03 | 0.02 | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.03 | 0.04 | 0.04 | 0.05 | 0.01 |
| Total | 3.08 | 3.17 | 6.85 | 9.74 | 9.48 | 10.41 | 10.54 | 10.69 | 10.6 |

Transportation Sector

The emissions attributed to the transportation sector result from fuels combusted to provide transportation for various types of vehicles within the Commonwealth. These fuels, in order of decreasing use in 2014, are gasoline, diesel, jet fuel, and natural gas. Several factors will have an effect on the amount of a fuel being used: including the mode of transportation, efficiency of the vehicle, and the price/availability of a particular fuel. The emissions related to electricity use in transportation are accounted for in the electricity production sector.

As in the previous sectors, each fuel used in transportation will have different rates of GHG emissions. Table 8 shows the GHG emission (MMTCO₂e) attributed to each fuel used in the transportation sector.

Table 8 – Transportation Sector Emissions by Fuel Consumption (MMTCO₂e)

| MMTCO ₂ e | 1990 | 1995 | 2000 | 2005 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 |
|---------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------|
| Diesel | 9.99 | 12.58 | 14.63 | 16.70 | 15.41 | 16.04 | 16.35 | 15.97 | 16.36 |
| Jet Fuel, Kerosene | 4.81 | 5.04 | 7.91 | 7.01 | 5.20 | 3.44 | 3.44 | 3.09 | 2.86 |
| Motor Gasoline | 42.33 | 44.11 | 46.25 | 46.60 | 41.77 | 40.81 | 39.94 | 40.06 | 38.34 |
| Natural Gas | 1.90 | 2.09 | 2.14 | 1.72 | 2.63 | 2.85 | 2.08 | 2.14 | 2.04 |
| Total | 59.03 | 63.82 | 70.92 | 72.03 | 65.02 | 63.14 | 61.82 | 61.25 | 60.91 |

Electricity Production Sector

The emissions attributed to the electricity production sector result from fuels combusted to generate electricity within the Commonwealth. The electricity production sector has historically been the largest contributor of GHG emissions; over one third of the statewide gross emissions in 2013 came from this sector however, a sizable percentage of these emissions are associated with electricity that is produced and exported to meet the needs of surrounding states. Electricity is produced several different ways within the Commonwealth. The three primary forms of electricity generation in Pennsylvania are coal, nuclear, and natural gas. Figure 6 shows the electricity generation (MWh) in Pennsylvania by fuel.

The largest changes in the production of electricity since 1990 have occurred in the use of coal and natural gas. Table 9 gives the relative percentages of each fuel used to generate electricity in Pennsylvania.

Table 9 – Electricity Generation by Fuel Type (%)

| % MWh Generation | 1990 | 1995 | 2000 | 2005 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 |
|-----------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Coal | 60.74% | 57.34% | 57.62% | 55.45% | 48.04% | 44.26% | 39.01% | 39.00% | 35.73% |
| Hydroelectric | 1.63% | 1.09% | 1.14% | 1.02% | 1.02% | 1.42% | 1.00% | 1.11% | 1.19% |
| Natural Gas | 1.61% | 2.66% | 1.34% | 4.96% | 14.68% | 18.39% | 23.75% | 22.02% | 23.99% |
| Nuclear | 32.90% | 35.84% | 36.58% | 34.98% | 33.87% | 33.50% | 33.65% | 34.71% | 35.61% |
| Other | 0.00% | 0.02% | 0.03% | 0.34% | 0.37% | 0.39% | 0.40% | 0.37% | 0.41% |
| Other Biomass | 0.17% | 0.89% | 1.00% | 0.62% | 0.74% | 0.73% | 0.79% | 0.81% | 0.86% |
| Other Gas | 0.48% | 0.42% | 0.30% | 0.25% | 0.24% | 0.27% | 0.27% | 0.29% | 0.22% |
| Petroleum | 2.65% | 1.97% | 1.86% | 2.27% | 0.25% | 0.19% | 0.13% | 0.20% | 0.36% |
| Pumped Storage | -0.50% | -0.67% | -0.20% | -0.33% | -0.31% | -0.22% | -0.20% | -0.24% | -0.22% |
| Solar | 0.00% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 0.01% | 0.01% | 0.03% | 0.03% |
| Wind | 0.00% | 0.00% | 0.00% | 0.13% | 0.81% | 0.79% | 0.95% | 1.48% | 1.61% |
| Wood | 0.31% | 0.44% | 0.34% | 0.32% | 0.29% | 0.28% | 0.24% | 0.22% | 0.25% |

Since electricity produced from nuclear fuel, hydroelectric, solar, and wind creates no direct GHG emissions, the primary fuels associated with GHG emissions from electricity production are coal, natural gas, and oil. Table 10 shows the amount of each of these fuels consumed (Billion Btu) in generating electricity in Pennsylvania.

Table 10 – Fuel Use for Electricity Generation (Billion Btu)

| Billion Btu | 1990 | 1995 | 2000 | 2005 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 |
|--------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Coal | 1,054,707 | 1,062,368 | 1,210,638 | 1,224,911 | 1,119,758 | 1,028,374 | 904,245 | 905,843 | 814,266 |
| Natural Gas | 13,972 | 40,618 | 21,298 | 83,531 | 252,182 | 314,973 | 406,963 | 378,099 | 404,325 |
| Oil | 54,274 | 38,544 | 44,914 | 51,783 | 6,813 | 5,326 | 3,566 | 3,908 | 7,222 |

Table 11 gives the relative percentage of GHG emissions attributed to the three primary fuels used in the electricity production sector.

Table 11 – Contribution to GHG Emissions, Fuel Type, in the Electricity Sector (%)

| | 1990 | 1995 | 2000 | 2005 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 |
|--------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Coal | 95.4% | 95.2% | 96.1% | 93.1% | 88.1% | 84.7% | 79.2% | 80.3% | 77.20% |
| Natural Gas | 0.7% | 2.1% | 1.0% | 3.7% | 11.5% | 15.0% | 20.6% | 19.4% | 22.00% |
| Oil | 3.9% | 2.8% | 2.9% | 3.2% | 0.4% | 0.4% | 0.3% | 0.3% | 0.8% |

As noted in Tables 9 and 11, for Pennsylvania’s electricity generation sector in 2014 coal produced almost 80 percent of the GHG emissions while producing 35.73% of the electricity, natural gas produced approximately 22 percent of the GHG emissions while producing approximately 24 percent of the electricity, petroleum resources produced just over one-half of one percent of the GHG emissions while producing about 4 tenth of one percent of all electricity generated in the Commonwealth. Nuclear fuel, which produces no GHG emissions, was responsible for generating 34.71 percent of the electricity.

As has been noted in previous inventory reports, Pennsylvania has historically been and is projected to remain an exporter of electricity to neighboring states. Table 12 shows the total consumption of electricity (GWh) within the residential, commercial, industrial, and transportation sectors.

Table 12 – Electricity Consumption by Sector (GWh)

| GWh | 1990 | 1995 | 2000 | 2005 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 |
|-----------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Residential | 38.17 | 42.80 | 45.01 | 53.66 | 55.26 | 54.80 | 52.88 | 54.25 | 54.2 |
| Commercial | 30.20 | 35.54 | 42.99 | 45.78 | 47.37 | 43.54 | 42.92 | 43.15 | 43.4 |
| Industrial | 45.99 | 47.53 | 45.45 | 47.95 | 45.46 | 49.59 | 48.04 | 48.05 | 48.32 |
| Transportation | 0.40 | 0.38 | 0.40 | 0.88 | 0.89 | 0.84 | 0.88 | 0.81 | 0.83 |
| Line Loss | 6.41% | 6.41% | 6.41% | 6.41% | 5.82% | 5.82% | 9.17% | 9.17% | 4.97% |
| Total | 122.62 | 134.90 | 143.02 | 158.44 | 158.18 | 157.96 | 159.33 | 161.03 | 177.48 |

Table 13 gives the total amount of electricity (GWh) consumed in Pennsylvania and the total amount of electricity (GWh) generated. The difference between the two values is the total amount of electricity (GWh) exported from Pennsylvania.

Table 13 – Electricity Generated, Consumed and Exported (GWh)

| GWh | 1990 | 1995 | 2000 | 2005 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 |
|------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Electricity Consumed | 122.62 | 134.90 | 143.02 | 158.44 | 158.18 | 157.96 | 159.33 | 161.03 | 154.42 |
| Electricity Generated | 175.62 | 185.45 | 201.69 | 218.09 | 229.75 | 227.31 | 223.42 | 226.79 | 222.06 |

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|----------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Electricity Exported | 53.01 | 50.55 | 58.67 | 59.66 | 71.57 | 69.35 | 64.09 | 65.76 | 67.63 |
|----------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|

Agriculture Sector

At consistently less than 8 MMTCO_{2e} annually, the GHG emissions from the agriculture sector are significantly lower than emission from the industrial, transportation, and electricity production sectors. Like the industrial sector, GHG emissions in the agriculture sector are broken down into smaller groups: enteric fermentation, manure management, and soil management. Table 14 lists the number (1,000 head) of each type of farm animal accounted for in the SIT

Table 14 – Animal Populations Contributing to GHG Emissions (1,000 Head)

| Thousands of Head | 1990 | 1995 | 2000 | 2005 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 |
|---------------------------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| Dairy Cows | 694 | 639 | 619 | 566 | 540 | 543 | 540 | 535 | 530 |
| Dairy Replacement Heifers | 285 | 275 | 285 | 275 | 300 | 310 | 315 | 310 | 315 |
| Beef Cows | 166 | 171 | 151 | 154 | 160 | 167 | 160 | 155 | 140 |
| Beef Replacement Heifers | 39 | 42 | 35 | 40 | 40 | 40 | 45 | 55 | 50 |
| Heifer Stockers | 28 | 24 | 20 | 55 | 50 | 50 | 55 | 0 | 40 |
| Steer Stockers | 199 | 188 | 165 | 170 | 150 | 130 | 145 | 170 | 185 |
| Feedlot Heifers | 22 | 25 | 25 | 24 | 24 | 24 | 24 | 24 | 24 |
| Feedlot Steer | 44 | 47 | 44 | 44 | 46 | 46 | 46 | 46 | 46 |
| Bulls | 29 | 27 | 25 | 25 | 25 | 25 | 25 | 25 | 25 |
| Sheep | 134 | 110 | 90 | 100 | 100 | 98 | 89 | 86 | 86 |
| Goats | 10 | 23 | 37 | 52 | 54 | 52 | 50 | 48 | 48 |
| Swine | 920 | 1,000 | 1,030 | 1,100 | 1,110 | 1,120 | 1,140 | 1,080 | 1055 |
| Horses | 61 | 83 | 108 | 115 | 118 | 119 | 120 | 121 | 121 |

The enteric fermentation group includes animals that produce methane emissions as a result of their unique digestive process. Each type of farm animal has an associated methane emission factor associated with the enteric fermentation process. The total estimated GHG emissions from enteric fermentation then is a summation of the product of the size of the statewide herd of each particular farm animal and the emission factor for that animal. Table 15 shows the GHG emissions (MMTCO_{2e}) attributed to each animal in the agriculture sector due to enteric fermentation.

Table 15 – GHG Emissions, by Livestock Type, from Enteric Fermentation (MMTCO_{2e})

| MMTCO _{2e} | 1990 | 1995 | 2000 | 2005 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 |
|---------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Dairy Cows | 2.253 | 2.098 | 2.136 | 1.936 | 1.949 | 1.960 | 1.949 | 1.931 | 1.913 |
| Dairy Replacement Heifers | 0.492 | 0.452 | 0.471 | 0.440 | 0.495 | 0.511 | 0.519 | 0.511 | 0.519 |
| Beef Cows | 0.366 | 0.388 | 0.341 | 0.357 | 0.402 | 0.419 | 0.402 | 0.389 | 0.402 |
| Beef Replacement Heifers | 0.058 | 0.066 | 0.055 | 0.065 | 0.071 | 0.071 | 0.080 | 0.098 | 0.089 |
| Heifer Stockers | 0.035 | 0.033 | 0.030 | 0.082 | 0.080 | 0.080 | 0.088 | 0.000 | 0.064 |
| Steer Stockers | 0.270 | 0.264 | 0.240 | 0.245 | 0.233 | 0.202 | 0.225 | 0.264 | 0.287 |
| Feedlot Heifers | 0.022 | 0.024 | 0.025 | 0.024 | 0.026 | 0.026 | 0.026 | 0.026 | 0.026 |
| Feedlot Steer | 0.043 | 0.043 | 0.042 | 0.042 | 0.048 | 0.048 | 0.048 | 0.048 | 0.048 |
| Bulls | 0.065 | 0.063 | 0.058 | 0.060 | 0.065 | 0.065 | 0.065 | 0.065 | 0.065 |
| Sheep | 0.027 | 0.022 | 0.018 | 0.020 | 0.020 | 0.020 | 0.018 | 0.017 | 0.017 |
| Goats | 0.001 | 0.003 | 0.005 | 0.006 | 0.007 | 0.006 | 0.006 | 0.006 | 0.006 |

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|---------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|
| Swine | 0.035 | 0.038 | 0.039 | 0.041 | 0.042 | 0.042 | 0.043 | 0.041 | 0.17 |
| Horses | 0.027 | 0.037 | 0.049 | 0.052 | 0.053 | 0.054 | 0.054 | 0.054 | 0.054 |
| Total | 3.694 | 3.532 | 3.507 | 3.370 | 3.491 | 3.505 | 3.524 | 3.451 | 3.66 |

The second sub-group of the agriculture sector is the manure management group. As with the enteric fermentation sub-group, each type of farm animal has an associated emission factor for the GHG emission (CH₄ and N₂O) based on the amount of manure that the animal produces. The total GHG emissions from manure management are equal to the summation of the product of the statewide livestock herd size, by animal and the emission factor for that animal. Table 16 shows the GHG emission (MMTCO₂e) attributed to each animal in the agriculture sector due to manure management. The “other” category includes sheep, goats, and horses.

Table 16 – GHG Emissions, by Livestock Type, from Manure Management (MMTCO₂e)

| MMTCO ₂ e | 1990 | 1995 | 2000 | 2005 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 |
|----------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Dairy Cattle | 0.598 | 0.578 | 0.640 | 0.658 | 0.639 | 0.644 | 0.643 | 0.637 | 0.409 |
| Beef Cattle | 0.048 | 0.049 | 0.048 | 0.048 | 0.050 | 0.050 | 0.051 | 0.049 | 0.022 |
| Swine | 0.247 | 0.290 | 0.273 | 0.318 | 0.324 | 0.323 | 0.322 | 0.314 | 1.123 |
| Poultry | 0.229 | 0.236 | 0.211 | 0.227 | 0.210 | 0.210 | 0.209 | 0.220 | 0.04 |
| Other | 0.006 | 0.008 | 0.010 | 0.010 | 0.011 | 0.011 | 0.011 | 0.011 | 0.011 |
| Total | 1.129 | 1.162 | 1.183 | 1.262 | 1.235 | 1.239 | 1.237 | 1.231 | 1.605 |

The third sub-group of the agriculture sector is the soil management group. GHG emissions (N₂O) from agricultural soils are calculated from the direct and indirect biochemical interactions of fertilizers, livestock, and crop residue with the soil. Table 17 below shows the estimated GHG emissions (MMTCO₂e) resulting from agriculture soils management.

Table 17 – GHG Emissions from the Management of Agricultural Soils (MMTCO₂e)

| MMTCO ₂ e | 1990 | 1995 | 2000 | 2005 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 |
|----------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Direct | 2.16 | 2.16 | 2.24 | 2.13 | 2.13 | 2.12 | 2.19 | 2.05 | 2.03 |
| Indirect | 0.41 | 0.44 | 0.44 | 0.42 | 0.42 | 0.42 | 0.43 | 0.38 | 0.46 |
| TOTAL | 2.57 | 2.60 | 2.67 | 2.55 | 2.55 | 2.54 | 2.61 | 2.43 | 2.49 |

Waste Management

GHG emissions in the waste management sector primarily come from three sub-groups; landfill gas, solid waste combustion, and wastewater treatment. Landfill gas, which is approximately 50% methane, is generated by the decomposition of solid waste within a landfill. Some solid waste in the Commonwealth is combusted in waste-to-energy plants, avoiding the production of methane would otherwise be produced in a landfill but which also results in the release of carbon dioxide. Both municipal wastewater treatment and industrial wastewater treatment are accounted for in the third sub-group.

Data in the SIT regarding the amount of landfilled solid waste in the Commonwealth was used to calculate the potential landfill methane emissions. The methane avoided value in table 18 was calculated using data in the SIT and reflects the amount of methane that otherwise could have entered the atmosphere, but instead was combusted in either a flare or a landfill gas to energy project. A small amount (10 percent) of the landfilled solid waste was assumed to oxidize each year and thus would not be contributing to the amount of methane

emitted. Table 18 shows the GHG emissions (MMTCO₂e) attributable to the potential landfill gas, the avoided methane emissions, and the avoided emissions due to solid waste oxidation.

Table 18 – GHG Emissions Associated with Landfilling Operations (MMTCO₂e)

| MMTCO ₂ E | 1990 | 1995 | 2000 | 2005 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 |
|---|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Potential Landfill CH ₄ | 8.104 | 8.511 | 8.552 | 8.805 | 10.019 | 10.265 | 10.501 | 10.728 | 10.946 |
| CH ₄ Avoided | 0.000 | - | - | - | -2.210 | -2.210 | -2.210 | -2.210 | -2.210 |
| Oxidation | 0.810 | 0.804 | 0.571 | 0.582 | 0.781 | 0.805 | 0.829 | 0.852 | 0.874 |
| Total CH₄ Emissions (Landfills) | 7.294 | 7.232 | 5.141 | 5.235 | 7.028 | 7.249 | 7.462 | 7.666 | 7.862 |

The GHG emissions in the solid waste combustion sub-group result from the combustion of certain types of solid waste (plastics, synthetic rubber, and synthetic fibers). To avoid the potential for double counting, the emissions from the combustion of natural or biogenic materials, such as cotton, paper, etc. are omitted because these items would decompose naturally and therefore, no additional CO₂ is emitted from the combustion of these materials. This section also accounts for N₂O and CH₄ gases that are generated in the waste combustion process. Data from the SIT for total solid waste combusted and the relative percentage of each of the materials listed previously was used in the calculation. Table 19 shows the GHG emissions (MMTCO₂e) attributable to the combustion of plastics, synthetic rubber, and synthetic fibers of the waste combustion portion of the waste management sector.

Table 19 – GHG Emissions Associated with Waste Combustion (MMTCO₂e)

| MMTCO ₂ e | 1990 | 1995 | 2000 | 2005 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 |
|--|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| CO ₂ | 0.222 | 0.670 | 1.059 | 1.580 | 2.213 | 2.256 | 2.280 | 2.275 | 2.771 |
| N ₂ O | 0.008 | 0.021 | 0.027 | 0.034 | 0.043 | 0.043 | 0.043 | 0.043 | 0.043 |
| CH ₄ | 0.000 | 0.001 | 0.001 | 0.001 | 0.001 | 0.001 | 0.001 | 0.001 | 0.001 |
| CO₂, N₂O, CH₄ Emissions (Waste Combustion) | 0.231 | 0.692 | 1.087 | 1.615 | 2.257 | 2.300 | 2.325 | 2.319 | 2.815 |

The GHG emissions from the wastewater portion of the waste management sector are a combination of municipal wastewater treatment (CH₄ and N₂O) and some particular (red meat, poultry, pulp and paper) types of industrial wastewater treatment. The SIT was used to calculate the municipal wastewater and industrial wastewater GHG emissions. Production data was collected for the poultry and pulp and paper industrial wastewater treatment sector and multiplied by the SIT-supplied emission factors to determine the total GHG emissions. Table 20 shows the GHG emissions (MMTCO₂e) attributed to the treatment of wastewater from municipal and industrial sources in the waste management sector.

Table 20 – GHG Emissions Associated with Wastewater Treatment (MMTCO₂e)

| MMTCO ₂ e | 1990 | 1995 | 2000 | 2005 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 |
|---|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|
| Municipal CH ₄ | 0.953 | 0.964 | 0.984 | 0.989 | 1.018 | 1.020 | 1.022 | 1.023 | 1.02 |
| Municipal N ₂ O | 0.311 | 0.322 | 0.338 | 0.334 | 0.354 | 0.355 | 0.357 | 0.358 | 0.39 |
| Industrial CH ₄ | 0.030 | 0.034 | 0.336 | 0.338 | 0.344 | 0.342 | 0.348 | 0.346 | 0.35 |
| Total Emissions Wastewater Treatment | 1.293 | 1.321 | 1.657 | 1.661 | 1.715 | 1.717 | 1.726 | 1.726 | 1.76 |

Table 21 shows the GHG emissions (MMTCO₂e) totals for the solid waste and wastewater treatment portions of the waste management sector.

Table 21 – Total GHG Emissions from the Waste Management Sector (MMTCO₂e)

| MMTCO ₂ e | 1990 | 1995 | 2000 | 2005 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 |
|-------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|
| Solid Waste | 7.524 | 7.924 | 6.228 | 6.850 | 9.285 | 9.549 | 9.786 | 9.985 | 10.68 |
| Wastewater | 1.293 | 1.321 | 1.657 | 1.661 | 1.715 | 1.717 | 1.726 | 1.726 | 1.76 |
| Total Waste Management | 8.817 | 9.246 | 7.885 | 8.512 | 11.000 | 11.266 | 11.513 | 11.711 | 12.44 |

Forestry and Land Use

The forestry and land use sector is very important in its ability to sequester (absorb) carbon dioxide, reducing the net GHG emission in the Commonwealth. In 2013, over 34 MMTCO₂ of GHG was sequestered in the forestry and land use sector, more than the GHG emissions from the residential, commercial and agricultural sectors combined. This sector includes forested lands and soils, liming and fertilization of agricultural soils, trees located in urban settings, yard waste, and forest fires. Data from the SIT was the primary source of information for this section. Data concerning forest fires was collected and used dating back to 2002. Table 22 shows the total GHG emissions produced (positive values) and emissions sequestered (negative values) (MMTCO₂e) totals for the forestry and land use sector.

Table 22

| MMTCO ₂ e | 1990 | 1995 | 2000 | 2005 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 |
|---|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Forest Carbon Flux | 19.82 | 18.52 | 18.52 | 30.54 | 30.31 | 30.31 | 30.31 | 30.31 | 30.31 |
| Liming of Agricultural Soils | 0.18 | 0.15 | 0.12 | 0.02 | 0.21 | 0.11 | 0.12 | 0.07 | 0.11 |
| Urea Fertilization | 0.03 | 0.03 | 0.04 | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.02 | 0.02 | 0.02 | 0.02 |
| Urban Trees | -2.48 | -2.79 | -3.11 | -3.42 | -3.74 | -3.80 | -3.87 | -3.93 | -3.99 |
| Landfilled Yard Trimmings and Food Scraps | -1.10 | -0.61 | -0.45 | -0.39 | -0.43 | -0.43 | -0.42 | -0.40 | -0.4 |
| Forest Fires | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.02 | 0.09 | 0.08 | 0.10 | 0.15 | 0.19 |
| N ₂ O from Settlement Soils | 0.03 | 0.04 | 0.04 | 0.04 | 0.04 | 0.04 | 0.04 | 0.03 | 0.03 |
| | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Total | 23.16 | 21.72 | 21.88 | 34.25 | 34.11 | 34.29 | 34.31 | 34.36 | 34.38 |

Pennsylvania currently has no stated goals in regards to GHG emission reductions. Several other states, across the nation, have adopted GHG reduction goals, such as a 20% reduction of 2000 emissions values by 2020 and 50% or 80% reductions by 2050. Without substantial changes in the industrial, transportation, and electric power sectors, and significant changes in the other sectors, these goals are not obtainable for Pennsylvania.