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E4TheFuture commissioned this set of graphs from Synapse Energy Economics to demonstrate an indisputable trend over twenty-five years: Economic outputs have risen in the United States while greenhouse gas pollutants decreased. With the following graphs — all created using a consistent scale — comparisons among states are easily and quickly illuminated. Review of the data enables certainty: Investing in energy efficiency and clean energy has significantly boosted US economic growth, while also contributing to economic equity and long term health improvements. The facts speak for themselves.

Each state’s rank in ACEEE’s State Energy Efficiency Scorecard appears above the graph to enable additional comparisons.

About Synapse Energy Economics, Inc.

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About E4TheFuture, Inc.

E4TheFuture is a small nonprofit organization that promotes residential clean energy and sustainable resource solutions to advance climate protection and economic fairness by influencing federal, state and local policies, and by helping to build a resilient and vibrant energy efficiency and clean energy sector. “E4” stands for energy, economy, equity, and environment.

Tracked Data Points:

- Population
- GDP (Gross Domestic Product) - USA Graph only
- GSP (Gross State Product)
- Energy Use
- Industrial Energy
- Total GHG
- Electric GHG
- Electric Consumption
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Context
Since 1990, the US economy became much more efficient, producing high volumes of economic output with less energy use and fewer emissions. Tracking publicly available metrics over time provides an invaluable method to assess progress of the combined impact of public policies at both national and state levels.

1990 is an appropriate baseline because:

1. Over the last three decades, and particularly over the last decade, economic growth frequently has occurred independent of electric load growth or increased reliance upon fossil fuel consumption.

2. Many local, national, and international climate targets were set as reductions in greenhouse gas emissions from 1990.

Between 1990 and 2015, national Gross Domestic Product (GDP) more than doubled, population grew by nearly a third, electricity use increased by 40 percent, and sector-wide industrial energy use increased by 15 percent. Yet after rising during the 1990s-2000s, nationwide emissions fell in the past decade to be only 4 percent higher than emissions in 1990. These trends become even more apparent when focusing on changes to economic and environmental indicators following the 2008-09 recession. While cumulative Gross State Product (GSP) grew by 10 percent from 2010-15, energy use and electricity consumption both remained flat, and nationwide emissions dropped by 6 percent. Since the recession, the economy grew while emissions declined substantially.

Data Sources
Census population data comes from three different sources:

2000-2010: https://www2.census.gov/programs-surveys/popest/tables/2000-2010/intercensal/state/st-est00int-01.xls

EIA State Energy Data System (SEDS) database: http://www.eia.gov/state/seds/sep_use/total/csv/use_all_btu.zip includes: Gross State Product (GSP), Statewide Energy Use, Industrial Energy Use


Electric consumption is also from the EIA: https://www.eia.gov/electricity/data/state/sales_annual.xlsx

State Scorecard Ranking: Each state graph is accompanied by its State Energy Efficiency Scorecard rank in 2017, by ACEEE.
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USA
1990-2015

Source: Census.gov, EIA.gov. Analysis by Synapse Energy Economics
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GSP: +86%
Electricity Use: +17%
Population: +13%
Energy Use: +2%
Total GHG: -17%
Industrial Energy: -46%
Electric GHG: -47%

Source: Census.gov, EIA.gov. Analysis by Synapse Energy Economics
States include: CT, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, NY, RI, VT

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New England States 1990-2015

- GSP: +86%
- Electricity Use: +15%
- Population: +11%
- Energy Use: +1%
- Total GHG: -13%
- Industrial Energy: -36%
- Electric GHG: -40%

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States include: CT, MA, ME, NH, RI, VT

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Alabama
1990-2015

GSP: +83%
Electricity Use: +48%
Population: +20%
Energy Use: +15%
Total GHG: +9%
Industrial Energy: +2%

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Alaska
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Arizona
1990-2015

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Arkansas
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California
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Colorado 1990-2015

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Connecticut
1990-2015

GSP: +61%
Population: +9%
Electricity Use: +8%
Energy Use: -2%
Total GHG: -11%
Industrial Energy: -42%

Source: Census.gov, EIA.gov. Analysis by Synapse Energy Economics
#24  STATE SCORECARD RESULTS, as ranked by the American Council for an Energy-Efficient Economy in 2017

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Delaware
1990-2015

GSP: +75%
Population: +41%
Electricity Use: +39%
Energy Use: +9%
Industrial Energy: -14%
Total GHG: -24%

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District of Columbia
1990-2015

GSP: +56%
Electricity Use: +15%
Population: +11%
Energy Use: -1%
Total GHG: -33%
Industrial Energy: -81%

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Florida
1990-2015

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Georgia
1990-2015

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Hawaii
1990-2015

GSP: +48%
Population: +28%
Electricity Use: +14%
Energy Use: -12%
Total GHG: -14%
Industrial Energy: -35%

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Idaho 1990-2015

Source: Census.gov, EIA.gov. Analysis by Synapse Energy Economics
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Illinois
1990-2015

GSP: +77%
Electricity Use: +24%
Total GHG: +14%
Population: +12%
Energy Use: +10%
Industrial Energy: -5%

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Indiana
1990-2015

GSP: +95%
Electricity Use: +41%
Population: +19%
Energy Use: +14%
Industrial Energy: +9%
Total GHG: -9%

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Iowa
1990-2015

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Kansas
1990-2015

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Kentucky
1990-2015

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Louisiana 1990-2015

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Maine
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Maryland
1990-2015

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Massachusetts
1990-2015

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#11 STATE SCORECARD RESULTS, as ranked by the American Council for an Energy-Efficient Economy in 2017

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Michigan
1990-2015

GSP: +54%
Electricity Use: +24%
Population: +7%
Energy Use: -4%
Total GHG: -10%
Industrial Energy: -29%

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Minnesota
1990-2015

GSP: +112%
Electricity Use: +41%
Energy Use: +26%
Population: +25%
Industrial Energy: +13%
Total GHG: +11%

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Mississippi 1990-2015

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Missouri
1990-2015

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Montana
1990-2015

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Nebraska
1990-2015

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Nevada 1990-2015

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New Hampshire
1990-2015

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New Jersey
1990-2015

- GSP: +63%
- Electricity Use: +20%
- Population: +16%
- Energy Use: +2%
- Total GHG: +2%
- Industrial Energy: -43%

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New Mexico
1990-2015

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New York 1990-2015

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North Carolina
1990-2015

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North Dakota
1990-2015

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Ohio
1990-2015

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Oklahoma
1990-2015

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Oregon
1990-2015

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Pennsylvania 1990-2015

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Rhode Island 1990-2015

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South Carolina
1990-2015

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South Dakota
1990-2015

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Tennessee
1990-2015

GSP: +115%
Population: +35%
Electricity Use: +29%
Energy Use: +21%
Total GHG: -5%
Industrial Energy: -21%

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Texas
1990-2015

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Utah
1990-2015

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Vermont
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Virginia
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Washington
1990-2015

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West Virginia
1990-2015

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Wisconsin
1990-2015

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Wyoming
1990-2015

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