

# 1. Energy use and potential in urban systems

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**Scenario:** Your mayor/governor is under pressure to reduce energy consumption

**Question:** How do you help the mayor/governor understand the drivers of energy consumption in the city?

#### **Training Overview**



1. Activity: mapping of urban authority influence

30 mins

- 2. Why is urban energy use important?
  - Urbanisation and energy use
  - Impacts of energy use in urban areas
- 3. What's the potential for energy efficiency in cities?
  - Technologies and solutions that allow higher efficiency

15 mins

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#### **Break into groups of 6**

**Scenario:** Your municipal commissioner is under pressure to reduce energy consumption

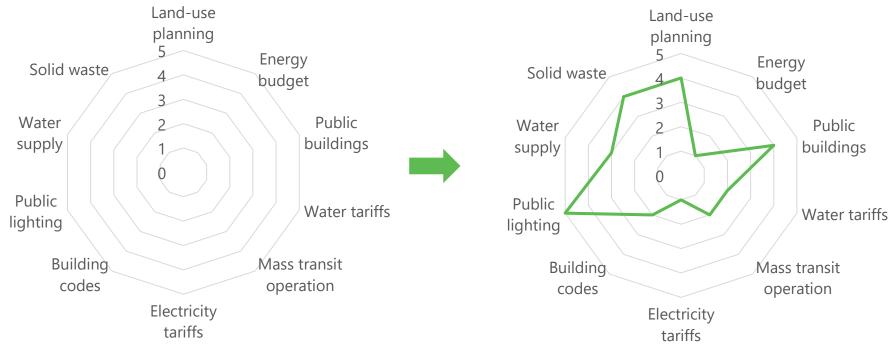
**Question:** How do you help the commissioner understand the drivers of energy consumption in the municipality?

What level of influence do you have on the energy consuming aspects of your municipality?

#### 1. Activity: Mapping of urban authority influence



#### What level of influence do you have on the energy consuming aspects of your municipality?



1 = no influence

3 = some level of influence (consulted, involved as stakeholder) 5 = complete authority and direction





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Urban areas account for the greatest shares of both **global population** and world **economic activity**, two **key drivers of energy use**.

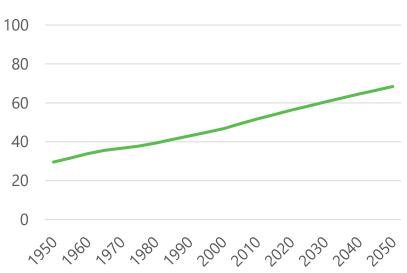
As such, the world's urban areas have substantial influence over **global energy demand and energy-related emissions** 

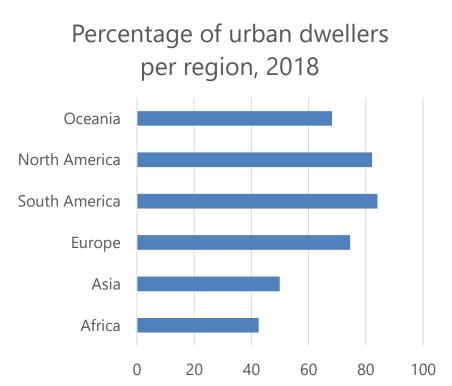


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#### Urban areas are growing, especially in emerging economies

Projected percentage of global urban population 1950-2050







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**Role of urban authorities:** A few of the main responsibilities of cities/municipalities are...

#### **Planning**

- Urban planning
- Building regulations
- Infrastructure

### **Basic Necessities**

- Water supply
- Public health
- Sanitation

## Other Services

- Street lighting
- Social housing
- Parking, public transport



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#### ... and they involve energy consuming sectors below in one way or another



**Buildings** 

Public administration buildings, schools, hospitals, libraries, museums, social housing



**Transport** 

Public transport, street design, traffic signals and signage



**Utilities** 

Lighting, water local energy networks



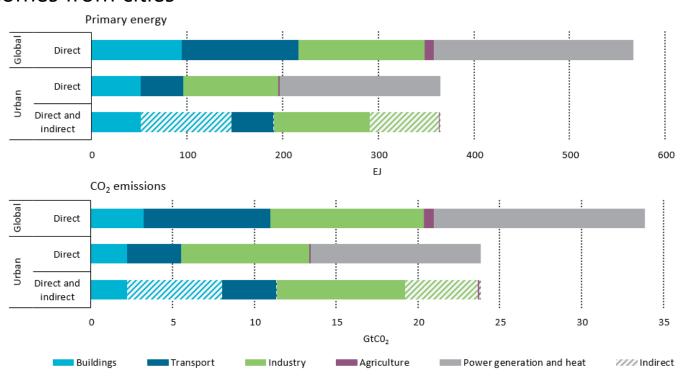
Waste

Landfilling, waste management



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### **What happens in urban areas:** Majority of global energy use and greenhouse emissions comes from cities

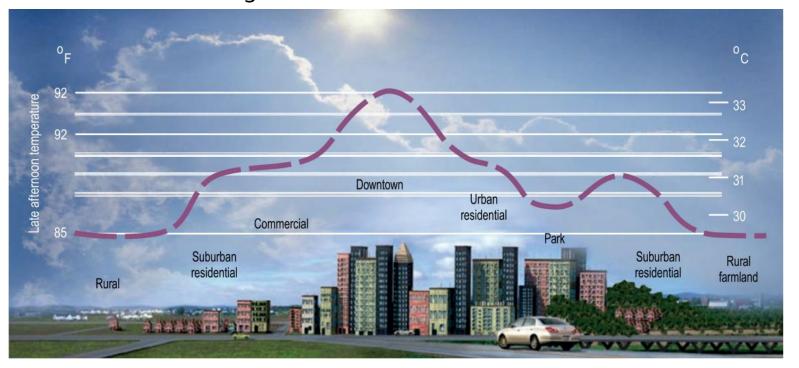


#### 2. Why is urban energy use important? Impacts



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What happens in urban areas: Urban structures produce heat island effect, which exacerbates need for cooling



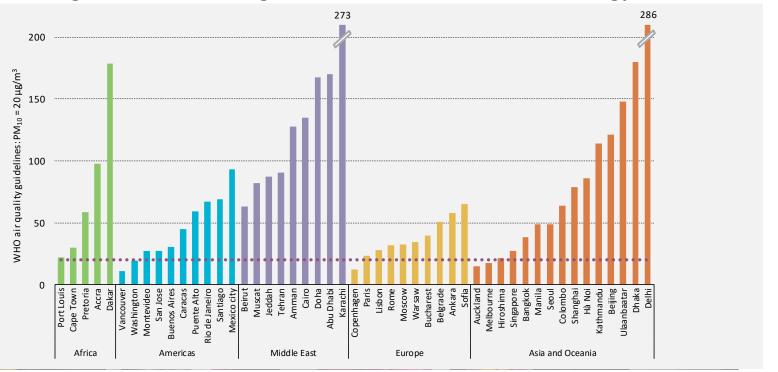
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What happens in urban areas: Local air quality is also worse in urban areas, exceeding WHO guidelines of 20 µg/m3, due to externalities of energy use



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Source Energy Technology Perspectives 2016



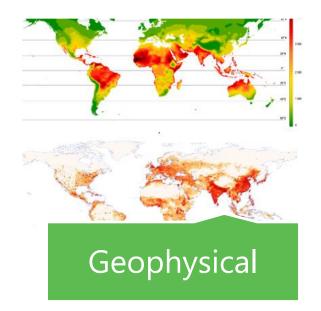
#### What drives energy use in urban areas?



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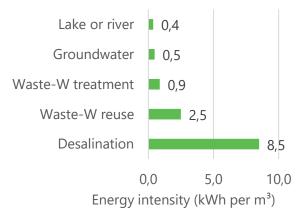
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#### Geophysical

 The hotter/more humid the climate, the higher the demand for cooling like air-conditioning



 More water-strained, more energy-intensive and costly to deliver water



EPRI Water and Sustainability Volume 4 https://www.epri.com/#/pages/product/1006787/

Source https://www.iea.org/futureofcooling/



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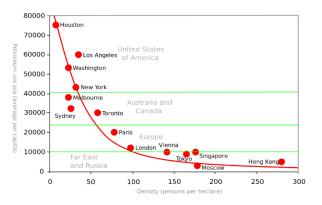
#### Structural

 Bigger cities need more lighting, hence consume more energy

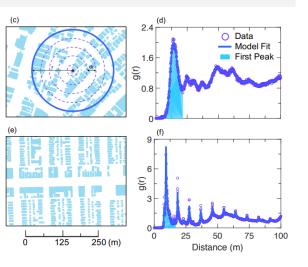


Source http://blogs.worldbank.org/energy/led-street-lighting-unburdening-our-

 More sprawled cities use more energy than dense ones (transport use, water pumping costs)



• The more grid-like, the more it traps heat



Source http://cshub.mit.edu/sites/default/files/documents/CityTextureUHI\_Feb2018.pdf



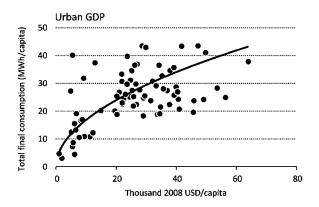
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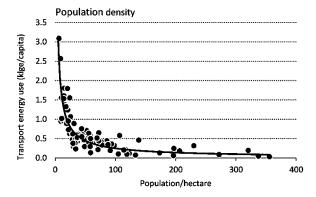
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#### Socio-economic

 Higher income urban population tends to consume more energy per capita



 More dense population consumes less energy per capita



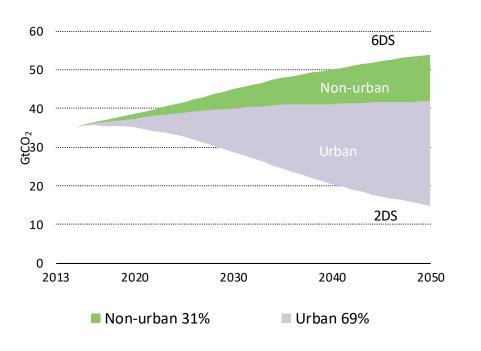
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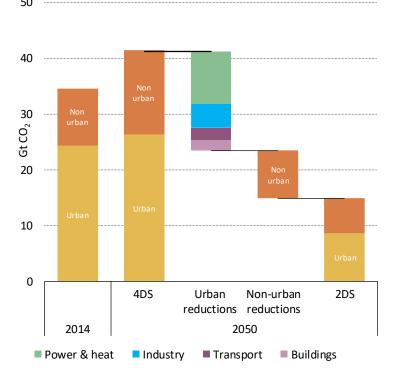
#### 2. Why is urban energy use important? Opportunity



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Fortunately, the majority of opportunities to reduce energy use and emissions are also in urban areas







#### 2. What is the potential? Concept of energy efficiency potential



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- **Technical potential:** analysing the total energy efficiency potential without any economic or market constraints (e.g. analysing the energy savings potential if all buildings used best-available technology)
- **Economic potential:** analysing the energy efficiency potential assuming economic constraints for cost effectiveness (e.g. analysing the energy savings potential if buildings used the most-efficient, cost-effective technology)
- Market potential: analysing the energy efficiency potential assuming market constraints in implementing energy efficiency (e.g. analysing the energy savings potential using an adoption curve to estimate typical market implementation given the available policies and technologies)



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 URBAN PLANNING and TRANSPORT: Potential of obtaining lower emissions and energy use based on planning design, influencing transport

#### Carbon footprints (residential emissions) in different neighbourhoods in Toronto, Canada



East York - 1.31 tCO2e/cap (residential only)



Etobicoke - 6.62 tCO2e/cap (residential only)



Whitby 13.02 tCO2e/cap (residential only)

High-density apartment complexes within walking distance to a shopping center and public transit:

1,31 tCO2e/capita

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High-density single family homes close to the city center and accessible by public transit:

6,62 tCO2e/capita

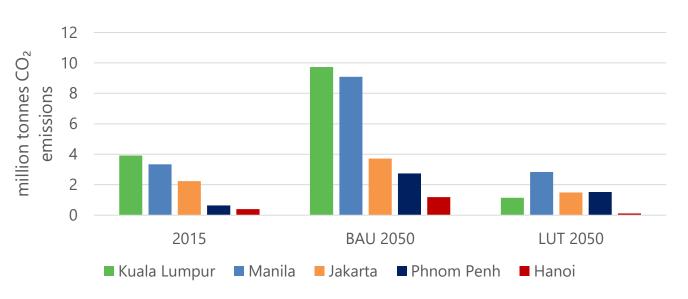
Suburbs with large, lowdensity single family homes that are distant from commercial activity and public transit: 13,02 tCO2e/capita

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Total CO<sub>2</sub> emissions in Southeast Asian cities in Business-as-Usual (BAU) and Improved Land Use and Transport (LUT) scenarios



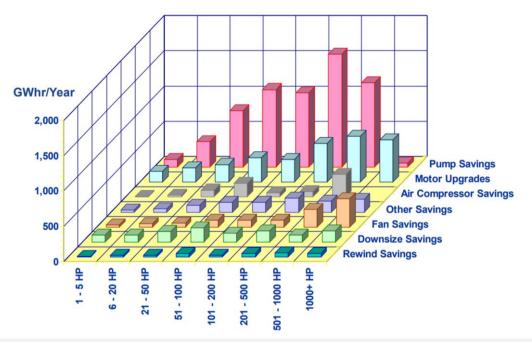
Improving land use and transport could reduce 50% of global CO<sub>2</sub> emissions. In Southeast Asia, reduction could be between 58% to 93%



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• WATER: potential to save energy from motor replacement based on size and

application



Savings based on the sizes of the motors and hours of operation could go up to 1500 GWhr/yr

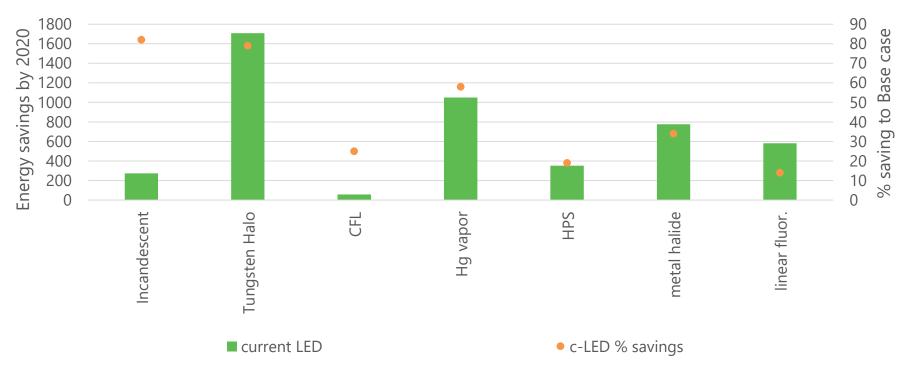
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Source https://betterbuildingssolutioncenter.energy.gov



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• **LIGHTING:** Potential to save on street lighting by 2020 using the current generation LED lamps in replacing the existing lamp technologies (India)



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Source https://ies.lbl.gov/sites/all/files/lbnl6576e.pdf
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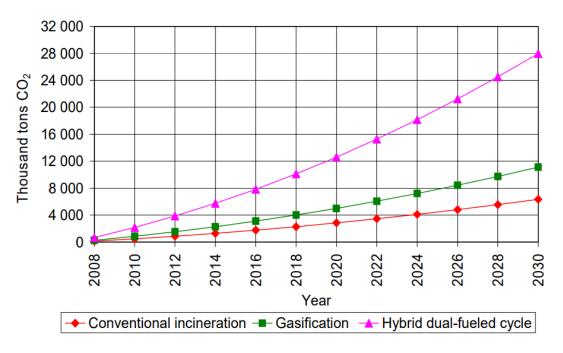


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 WASTE: Efficient waste management leading to waste-to energy technologies like incineration and gasification can recover between 4 to 10TWhr (Bangkok)





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 OTHERS - Potential of high energy savings by simply enforcing the national building codes

