

# Low Carbon Cities in China: National Policies and City Action Factsheets

Almost half of China's population resides in cities, which are responsible for consuming around 85% of China's total energy use and emiting more than 90% of China's carbon dioxide ( $CO_2$ ) emissions(Weiguang Wang et al., 2013). Unlike cities in developed countries, the industrial sector is still the main source of  $CO_2$  emissions in China's cities. Emissions from the transportation and building sectors are projected to increase dramatically as China's urbanization brings more than 350 million people to cities in the next 15 years. Low carbon development of China's cities will be critical to achieve the nation's climate mitigation goals and to maintain global climate stability.

Fortunately, China's national government and an increasing number of local leaders recognize the importance of a low-carbon development alternative. Since 2010, various regulations and policies from both the central and local government have comprised a systematic policy framework for low carbon development in cities. This policy framework starts with macro and long-term low carbon development planning, aimed at understanding opportunities to decarbonize economic development patterns and carbon emissions mitigation potentials. Policies and actions aimed at carbon emissions mitigation include actions to improve industrial energy efficiency, reduce building energy use, improve transportation fuel economy performance, and promote urban form strategies in favor of non-motorized travel. Clean energy supply and clean coal development policies are also fundamental for low carbon cities due to the fact that fossil fuel continues to be a dominant energy source for a long time in China. China's cities are also preparing for climate adaptation due to increasing probability of being impacted by natural crises in coming years.

China has also initiated 42 low carbon pilots, including 6 provinces and 36 cities, which represent various geographic locations, resource endowments, economic growth patterns, industrial mixes, and energy-use behaviors. These pilots have developed and implemented many policies, programs, and measures to achieve low carbon development paths at the provincial and municipal levels in the long term. Factsheets in this document are based on analyzing actions in 10 cities out of the 42 low carbon pilots.

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# China's Low Carbon Pilots in a Snapshot

China's 42 low carbon pilots covered approximately 37 percent of the population, 54 percent of GDP, 21 percent of total land area, and 54 percent of carbon emissions in 2013. The case cities, which are part of the low carbon pilots, accounted for 4 percent of the population, 12 percent of GDP, and 9.4 percent of carbon emissions in 2013.



China's National Development and Reform Commission issued two executive orders in July 2010 and November 2012, identifying altogether 42 low carbon pilots. The executive orders require these pilots to develop a low carbon development action plan and a greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions inventory. The pilots must also establish a policy framework to promote carbon mitigation and clean economic growth.

#### **Basic Information of Low Carbon Pilots**



Beijing Shangha Hainan Province Shijiazhuang Qinhuangdao Jincheng Hulunbeier Jilin Suzhou Huaian Zhenjiang Ninabo Wenzhou Chizhou Nanping Jingdezhen 42.56 % Ganzhou Qingdao Wuhan Guangzhou 37 % Guilin 39.6 % Guangyuan 43 % Zunvi Kunming Yanan Jinchang Urumqi Shenzhen Tianjin Hangzhou Xiame ng Province Nanchang Liaoning Province Hubei Province Chongqing Shaanxi Province Guivang 44.2 % Baoding **41.73 %** Yunnan Province

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#### Difference in Urbanisation Rate of 42 Low Carbon Pilots



Data sources: 2014 Annual Statistical Report of the above cities, World Bank



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# Policies and Practices for Low-Carbon City Development in China

Since 2010, various regulations and policies of China's central and local governments have comprised a systematic policy framework for low carbon development in cities. Cities need to implement carbon emissions mitigation goals, policies, rules, and standards set by provincial or national governments. Cities can also develop more stringent policies, standards, and innovative piloting programs and provide financial support to improve the implementation of all policies. The following table presents this framework, including national and sectoral policies influencing cities and city actions.

	National And Sectoral Policies Influencing City Actions	City Actions*	National And Sectoral Policies Influencing City Actions	City Actions*				
	National Target for Peaking Total CO <sub>2</sub> Emissions around 2030	Municipal Target to Peak Total Carbon Emissions	Industrial Energy Conservation Action Plans	Municipal Industrial Energy Conservation Action Plans				
CARBON	National Target to Reduce $CO_2$ Emissions per Unit of GDP 40%-45% by 2020 and 60%-65% by 2030 from the 2005 Level	Municipal Targets for Reducing CO2 Emissions per Unit of GDP	Energy Consumption per Unit of Industrial Total Value-added	Municipal Energy Consumption per Unit of Industrial Total Value-added				
EMISSIONS GOALS	National Targets for Reducing Energy Consumption per Unit of GDP by 2015	Municipal Targets for Reducing Energy Consumptions per Unit of GDP by 2015	Mandatory Energy Efficiency Standards for Industry Equipment and Products	More Stringent Sub-national Standards				
	National Non-CO <sub>2</sub> GHG Emissions Reduction Programs	Municipal Non-CO <sub>2</sub> GHG Emissions Projects	Top Runner Program	Local Implementation Projects of Top Runner Program				
		Municipal Climate Change Legislation	Top 10,000 Energy Conservation Program	Energy Efficiency Audit and Benchmarking; Energy Manager Training; Energy Management Standards, etc.	Industry			
	National Plan on Climate Change, Energy Conservation, and Low Carbon Development by 2015 and 2020	Municipal Low Carbon Development Action Plans Low Carbon City Pilot Work Plans	Financial Incentives and Rewards for Industrial Energy Efficiency	Financial Incentives and Rewards for Industrial Energy Efficiency				
or .	National GHG Emissions Inventory Development	Municipal GHG Emissions Inventory Development		Differential Electricity Pricing				
Actions	National GHG Reporting and Registry Rules	GHG Reporting and Registry		Low Carbon Industrial Park Pilots				
		Carbon Emissions Data Platform	Energy Efficiency Improvement Target for Building Sector	Energy Efficiency Improvement Target for Building Sector				
	National Carbon Market Preparation	Carbon Market Pilot	National Guidelines for Energy Efficiency Retrofit Subsidies for Existing Buildings	Energy Efficiency Retrofit Subsidies for Existing Buildings				
		Carbon Emissions Impact Assessment Requirement	National Building Codes for Public Buildings	More Stringent Building Codes for Public Buildings				
Decarbonize	National Plans and Goals to Promote Development of Service Sector	Policies to Promote Development of Service Sector	National Residential Building Codes	More Stringent Building Codes for Residential Buildings	Buildings			
Economic	National Plans and Goals to Promote Development of Clean Industries	Policies and Goals to Promote Development of Clean Industries	Green Building Codes	More Stringent Local Green Building Codes				
Development	National R&D Investment Share of GDP	Municipal R&D Investment of Local GDP		Subsidies for New Buildings that Exceed Building Codes				
	National Sustainable Energy Development Plan	Municipal Sustainable Energy Development Plan City Strategic Plan to Develop Renewable and Alternative Energy		Zero Emission Building Pilots; Targets for Efficiency and Renewables in Buildings				
	National Total Energy Consumption Reduction Targets	City Total Energy Consumption Reduction Targets	Appliance Efficiency Standards and Labeling	Financial Incentives for Energy Efficiency Appliances				
	National Target to Increase Non-Fossil Fuel Share in Primary Energy Consumption to around 20% by 2030	Municipal Targets for Renewables Development		Public Campaigns Promoting an Energy Conservation Life-Style				
	National Goals of Installed Capacity for Wind Power, Solar Power, and Solar Thermal Energy	GHG Reporting and Registry	Energy Efficiency Improvement Goals for Transportation Sector	Municipal Energy Efficiency Improvement Goals and Action Plans for Transportation Sector				
Energy Supply	National Feed-in Tariff Policies	Financial Incentives for Renewable Energy	Policies and Financial Incentives to Promote Electric Vehicles and Construction of Charging Stations	Policies and Financial Incentives to Promote Alternative Energy Vehicles and Construction of Charging Stations; Municipal Targets for Electric Vehicle Ownership				
Supply		Renewable Energy Development Pilot Program		Municipal Electric Vehicle Promotion Program				
	National Coal Consumption Cap	State and City Coal Consumption Reduction Plan City Coal-Free Zone	Fuel Economy Standards for Light-duty Vehicles	Tax Credits for Efficient and Low Emission Cars				
	Nationwide Minimum Performance Standards for Coal Power Plants	Advanced Clean Coal Pilot Projects	Targets for Public Transit Share in Motorized Travel in Large- and Medium-sized Cities	Municipal Targets for Public Transit Share in Motorized Travel				
	Demand Side Management Guideline	Demand Side Management Program		Bicycle and Pedestrian Path (Non-Motorized Transportation) Networks				
	CCS Piloting Programs CCS Pilot			Public Bicycle System	Transportation			
Decarbonizo	Enhance Afforestation	Urban Forestry Management		Integrated Transportation Planning Program				
Economic		Municipal Program Promoting Afforestation		Policies to Control Private Vehicle Ownership Growth				
Development	Waste Management System	Improve Waste Separation and Recycling System Methane Capture and Conservation for Landfills		Policies to Control Motorized Commuting (Parking Fee, Vehicle License Policies)				
Pity Actions List aims to accomble all a	alicias and actions of all kinds of attions to promote law anthon development			Public Transit City Programs				
For a specific city, its action often only c nnovative actions, which are not include	wover part of the actions based on local needs, and cities may also have ed here.		National Guidelines Promote Low Carbon Green Urbanization, Low Carbon Community Development, etc.	Low Carbon Community Pilots Low Carbon / Eco-City Planning Programs				

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#### Including but not limited to:

China's Enhanced Actions on Climate Change: China's Intended Nationally Determined Contributions (2015)

National Program on Climate Change (2014-2020) The Work Plan For Controlling Greenhouse Gas Emissions during the 12th Five-Year Plan

Period (2011) The Comprehensive Work Plan For Energy Conservation and Emissions Reduction for the 12th Five- Year Plan Period (2011)

Emissions Reduction and Low-Carbon Development, and the National Plan on Climate

Change (2014-2020) Action Plan of Industries Addressing Climate Change (2012-2020)

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National Afforestation Plan (2011-2020) and Forestry Development Plan During the 12th Five-Year Plan Period

The Plan for Coal-bed Gas Exploration and Utilization During the 12th Five-Year Period The Guidelines for Developing Distributed Energy Systems (DES) of the 12th Five-Year Plan Period, NDRC, 2011

Development Plan for a Circular Economy During the 12th Five-Year Plan Period, 2011 Green Building Action Plan, the State Council, 2013

Energy Development Strategy Action Plan (2014-2020) , State Council, 2014. Action Plan on Upgrading and Transforming the Energy Conservation and Emission Reduction of Coal-Fired Power (2014-2020), NDRC, MEP, and the NEA

Implementation Plan for Top Runner Program to improve the energy efficiency, State Council, 2014 Energy Development Strategy Action Plan (2014-2020)

Guidelines on low-carbon community pilot construction, NDRC, 2015

#### Other National Pilot Programs Promoting Low Carbon City Development

	Beijing	Jilinng	Guiyang	Qingdao	Wuhan	Yan'an	Jinchang	Guangzhou	Shenzhen	Zhenjiang
Sustainable Urbanization Pilots Program										
Smart-City Pilots Program										
Integrated Energy Conservation and Emission Reduction Cities Pilots Program										
Alternative Energy City Pilots Program										
Low Carbon Industrial Zone Pilot Program										
Renewables in Buildings Pilots Program										
Alternative Fuel Vehicles Pilots Program										
Low Carbon Integrated Transportation Planning Pilots Program										
Public Transit City Pilots Program										

Yes 🗌 No

While piloting low carbon development in 42 pilots, agencies of the central government are also piloting other programs that reinforce energy savings and carbon emissions mitigation goals. These pilots may overlap geographically in many regions. The above table, taking 10 cities as cases, maps out related pilots and how they reinforce each other.

Data Sources: Data was collected from websites of the National Development and Reform Commission(NDRC), Ministry of Housing and Urban-Rural Development (MOHURD), Ministry of Industry and Information Technology (MIIT), Ministry of Science and Technology (MOST), Ministry of Finance (MOF), Ministry of Transport (MOT) Jinchang: east of Hexi Corridor in Gansu province; a small city; In 2014, GDP: 24.45 billion yuan (4 billion US. .Dollars); GDP growth rate: 7.8%; per capita GDP: 45,364 yuan (7,388 U.S. Dollars); share of the tertiary industry: 23.60%; urbanization rate: 67%; Coal-dominated energy mix, in particular, coal takes up a large share in industrial energy consumption; In 2012, total energy consumption was 4.6376 million tons, among which energy consumed by six energy-intensive industries was 3.8774 million tons, 97.5% of the energy consumed by large scale industries

Yan'an: South of the Shanbei region of Shaanxi province, on the middle reaches of the Yellow River; In 2014, GDP: 1,386.1 billion yuan (225.75 billion U.S. Dollars); GDP growth rate: 6.5%; per capita GDP: 62,714 yuan (10,214 U.S. Dollars); share of the tertiary industry: 21.9%; urbanization rate: 55.82%; Typical energy-based city in Shanxi province; rich in mineral resources (coal, oil and natural gas); energy plays an important role in its economic growth.

Wuhan: Capital of Hubei province; the largest central city and the only city with sub-provincial status in Central China; a megacity on the middle and lower reaches of the Yangtze River; In 2014, GDP: 1,006.9 billion yuan (164 billion U.S. Dollars); GDP growth rate: 9.1%; per capita GDP: 98,527 yuan (16,046 U.S. Dollars); share of the tertiary industry: 51.6%; urbanization rate: 67.60%; An important industry base and transportation hub; Short of energy resources; coal, oil and natural gas supply mainly rely on transmission; high energy transmission dependency.

Zhenjiang: southwest of Jiangsu province, southern bank of the Yangtze River, tip of the Yangtze River Delta; In 2014, GDP: 325.2 billion yuan (52.97 billion U.S. Dollars); GDP growth rate: 10.90%; per capita GDP: 102,651 yuan (16,718 U.S. Dollars); share of the tertiary industry: 45.10%; urbanization rate: 65.4%; Short of energy resources; all primary energy supply (coal, oil) relies on transmission; In 2013, energy consumption of six energyintensive industries was 9.7448 million tons, 81.64% of the energy consumed by large-scale industries.

Shenzhen: east bank of Pearl River Delta; China's first Special Economic Zone (SEZ); sub-provincial administrative status; a specifically designated city in the state plan; In 2014, GDP: 1,600.2 billion yuan (260.62 billion U.S. Dollars); GDP growth rate: 8.80%; Per capita GDP: 14,9497 yuan (24,337 U S Dollars); Share of the tertiary industry: 60%; Urbanization rate: 100%; Shortage of energy resources, mainly relying on transmission.

Jilin: northeast China; second largest city in Jilin Province; an old northeast industrial base and typical resource-based city; In 2014, GDP: 273 billion yuan (44.47 billion U.S. Dollars); GDP growth rate: 6.00%; per capita GDP: 63,731.8 yuan (10,415.4 U.S. Dollars); share of the tertiary industry: 41.10%; urbanization rate: 51.40%; Rich in oil shale, oil, and coal; forest area (% of land area): 55%; In 2013, energy consumption of six energy-intensive industries: 12.7524 million tons of coal equivalent, 87.3% of the energy consumed by large-scale industries.

Data sources: 2014 Annual Statistical Report of the above cities. 2013 and 2014 Statistical yearbooks of the above cities.

Guangzhou: South China; capital of Guangdong province; third largest city in China; In 2014, GDP: 1,670.7 billion yuan (272.1 billion U.S. Dollars); GDP growth rate: 8.6%; per capita GDP: 124,083 yuan (20,208 U.S. Dollars); share of the tertiary industry: 65.02%; urbanization rate: 90%; Energy transmission-dependent city, all primary energy supply (coal, oil) relies on transmission; energy consumption in 2012 was 66.93 million tons of coal equivalent.

Beijing: northern tip of the North China Plain; capital and the second largest city of China; a directly-controlled municipality under the national government; China's political, economic and cultural center; In 2014, GDP: 2,133.08 billion yuan[]347.41 billion U.S. Dollars[]; GDP growth rate: 7.3%; per capita GDP: 99,100 yuan (16,278 U.S. Dollars); share of the tertiary industry: 77.90%; urbanization rate: 88.02%; Shortage of energy resources; energy consumption in 2013: 73.542 million tons of coal equivalent.

Guiyang: east of the Yunnan–Guizhou Plateau, Southwest China; Capital of Guizhou province; In 2014, GDP: 249.7 billion yuan (40.67 billion U.S. Dollars); GDP growth rate: 13.9%; per capita GDP: 55018 yuan (8,960.59 U.S. Dollars); share of the tertiary industry: 46.60%; urbanization rate: 72.10%. Nickname: The Forest City; forest area (% of land area) ranks among the top in China; Coal-dominated energy mix, coal consumption accounts for over 65% of the total; In 2013, energy consumption of six energy-intensive industries was 6.4946 million tons, 79.64% of the energy consumed by large scale industries.

Qingdao: southwest of the Shandong Peninsula; administered at the sub-provincial level; a specifically designated city in the state plan; In 2014, GDP: 869.2 billion yuan (141.57 billion U.S. Dollars); GDP growth rate: 8.00%; per capita GDP: 96524 yuan (15,720.52 U.S. Dollars); share of the tertiary industry: 56.9%; urbanization rate: 68.41%; Energy transmission-dependent city, all primary energy supply relies on transmission.



### **City Action Factsheets: Ten Case Cities**

Policies and practices of low carbon development vary among cities based on local needs and emission conditions. Taking ten cities as cases, 38 typical actions in China's 12th Five Year Plan (FYP) are categorized. By categorizing and comparing these actions among 10 case cities, a learning-bydoing process is encouraged to promote low carbon city development in China.



The new normal of China's economic growth provides opportunities and challenges to China's low carbon city development. In 2014, the case study cities' GDP growth rate slowed down, though with continued growth in urbanization and the service industry.

**Carbon Emission Goals** 



Municipal Targets for Reducing Energy Consumption per Unit of GDP Municipal Targets for Reducing CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions Per Unit of GDP by 2015, by 2015, From 2010 Levels (%) From 2010 Levels (%)



[1] This represents the local governments' goal to optimize the structure of the economy through increasing the share of the service sector in order to develop a low carbon economy. [2] This represents the local governments' goal to optimize the structure of the economy through increasing the share of strategic industries to propel economy transition to high-value, high-technology goods.

[3] This is used as an indicator of an economy's relative expenditure on new knowledge.

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Climate Actions	Guivang	Beiiina	. lilin	Wuhan	Qinadao	Shenzhen	Guangzhou	Zhenijang	linchang	Yan'an
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Climate Change Plans										
Low-Carbon Pilot Development Guideline										
GHG Emissions Inventory Development										
GHG Reporting and Registry										
Carbon Emissions Impact Assessment Requirement										
Carbon Market										
Industry	Guiyang	Beijing	Jilin	Wuhan	Qingdao	Shenzhen	Guangzhou	Zhenjiang	Jinchang	Yan'an
2015 Target to reduce Energy Consumption per unit of Industry Value-Added, from 2010 Levels	25%	21%	-	-	17%	20%	20%	20%	20%	-
Industry Structural Change Guidelines		-	-	-			-			-
Top-10,000 Program Implementation Incentive Policies									-	
Low Carbon Industrial Zone Pilot Program										
Energy Supply	Guiyang	Beijing	Jilin	Wuhan	Qingdao	Shenzhen	Guangzhou	Zhenjiang	Jinchang	Yan'an
2015 Target to Increase Non-Fossil Fuel Share in Primary Energy Consumption	10%	around 6%	-	-	3%	15%	20% (2020)	8-12%	8%	5%
Municipal Strategic Plan to Develop Renewables and Alternative Energy										
Total Energy Consumption Control Targets	3									
Total Coal Consumption Reduction Target	s					-		_		
National Alternative Energy City Pilot Program										



1	Zhenjiang	Jinchang	Yan'an	Buildings
	65%	65%	50%	Local Building Codes for Residential Buildings
	-	20%	-	Green Building in New Residential Buildings
		-		Municipal Energy Efficiency Improvement Target and Guidelines for the Building Sector
				Local Green Building Codes
	-	-	-	Renewables in Buildings Pilots Program
I	Zhenjiang	Jinchang	Yan'an	Transportation and Urban Forms
	26%	25% (2014)	>30%	Targets for Public Transit Share in Motorized Travel*
	-	-	-	Targets for Alternative Energy Vehicles*
	-	-	-	Policies and Financial Incentives to Promote Electric Vehicles, and Construction of Charging Stations
				Public Transit City Pilots Program
				Alternative Energy Vehicle Pilots Program
				Low Carbon Integrated Transportation Planning Pilots Program
I	Zhenjiang	Jinchang	Yan'an	Carbon Sinks and Waste Management
	-	23%	50%	2015 Targets for City Forest Coverage Rate
				Waste Management

# U.S. and China Comparison of Policies and Practices for Low-Carbon and Climate Smart Cities

Climate Goals and Actions	China	U.S.	Notes	Buildings	China		
Carbon Emissions per Capita in 2010 (t)	6.2	17.5		Floor Space per Inhabitant in 2010 (m2/capita)	30-40		
CO <sub>2</sub> Emissions Peaking Year Goal	•	NA	China's goals mainly refer to energy related CO <sub>2</sub> emissions, while the U.S. goal covers all CHICe				
Total GHG Emissions Cap	NA		Some Chinese cities have set targets to peak their GHG emissions by certain years.	Energy Use for Heating, Cooling and Appliances 2010/2011 (kwh/m <sup>2</sup> )	94		
Emission Targets Target for Reducing CO <sub>2</sub> Emissions per Unit of GDP	•	•	Emissions from most U.S. cities have started declining; therefore, their emission targets are absolute reduction targets from	Public Buildings/Commercial	•		
Target for Emissions per Capita		•	a baseline year. Some cities also have targets for emissions per capita.	New Buildings			
National Plans	•	•	] .	Nesidential Buildings			
Climate Action Plans   Provincial / State and Municipal	•	•	Source: NDRC, GHGs Reporting Program on Major Emitters. NDRC Climate Change	Targets for Renewables in Buildings	-		
Threshold	≥13,000 tCO <sub>2</sub> e	≥25,000 tCO <sub>2</sub> e	EPA. Greenhouse Gas Reporting Program (2009).	Building Retrofitting Programs	•		
GHG Reporting System	1	4	U.S. has completed 4 reports. NDRC requested emitters to report for the first time in 2014.	Appliance Efficiency Standards and Labeling	•		
, National Carbon Market	In Progress		China plans to launch the national carbon market within 1-3 years.	Transportation			
Carbon Market	•	•	China now has 7 carbon market pilots, while the U.S. has 1 regional and 1 state	Car Ownership in 2010 (Passenger Cars per 1,000 Persons,)	44		
			carbon market.	Fuel Economy Performance of New Cars in 2010 (I/100km)	7.7		
Energy Supply	China	U.S.	Notes				
Electricity per Capita in 2011 (kWh)	3,500	13,000		Light Duty Vehicles			
Emissions per kWh Electricity in 2011 (gCO <sub>2</sub> /kWh)	596	461	The U.S. has set more stringent emission standards than China, i.e., no more than 635g CO, per kWh. That means new coal	Vehicle Fuel Heavy Duty Vehicles	•		
National Primary Energy Consumption Cap	•		power plants cannot achieve that standard without carbon capture and storage. Coal power plants will be replaced by gas generators. The U.S. has also set emission	CO <sub>2</sub> Emissions Standards			
Sector Goals			all the states.	Targets for Public Transit Share in Motorized Travel in large- and medium-sized Cities	•		
			per kWh to be no more than 300g. Nationwide CO <sub>2</sub> emissions per unit of fossil	Public Transit and Non-Motorized Bicycle and Pedestrian Path (Non- Motorized Transportation) Networks Pilots	•		
Emission Performance Standards Standard for New			fuel power will be reduced by 3% from 2010 to 2015. By 2015, large power companies	Transit Policies to Control Motorized Commuting			
Thermal Power Plants CO <sub>2</sub> Emission Standards		•	no more than 650g per kWh.	(Parking Fee, Vehicle License Policies)			
CO <sub>2</sub> Emission Standards for Electricity Generation	•	•	1	Urban Planning and Land-Use	•		
Industry	China	U.S.	Notes	Orban Growth Boundary	-		
Energy Savings Potential for Iron and Steel Production in 2010	6.4	2.3		Financial Incentives	• 		
			is mandatory and targets the largest energy consuming	Tax Credits for Efficient and Low Emission Cars			
Energy Saving Potential for Cement Production in 2010 (GJ/t of Product)	1.1	1.6	industrial plants. On the other hand, the U.S. "Better Buildings	Data Sources: Höhne N et al. 2014 W/	orld Bank Website: dat		
Energy Efficiency Standards for Industrial Equipment and Products	Mandatory Standards for 73 Products	Industrial Motors	and Better Plants" is a voluntary incentive program. Overall, China's industrial energy efficiency policies are more rigid	e Yes			
Energy Conservation Program for Industrial Plants	•	•	than those in the U.S.				

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