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	Greenhouse Gas Emissions Reduction Targets			
	50% by 2030   80% by 2050			
Enacted	Relative to 2006 levels	Climate Governance	Climate	0004
	Establishing Policies	and Equity	Governance	2021
	<ul> <li>A3301 - Global Warming Response Act (2007)</li> <li>Executive Order 274 (2021)</li> </ul>			
	Climate Action Plans			
	80x50 Report	Climate		
C Enacted	Establishing Policies	Governance	Climate	2020
	<ul> <li>A3301 – Global Warming Response Act (2007)</li> <li>80x50 Report (2020)</li> </ul>	and Equity	Governance	
	State Greenhouse Gas			
	Emissions Inventory			
	The 1990-2021 Greenhouse Gas Emissions Inventory was published in March 2024.	Climate		2024
Enacted	Establishing Policies	Governance	Climate Governance	
	<ul> <li>A3301 – Global Warming Response Act (2007)</li> <li>1990-2021 Greenhouse Gas Emissions Inventory (2024)</li> </ul>	and Equity		

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Enacted	Climate Bureaucracy Governor's Office of Climate Action and the Green Economy Establishing Policies • Executive Order 221 (2021) • Governor's Office of Climate Action and the Green Economy	Climate Governance and Equity	Climate Governance	2021

#### **Climate Advisory Bodies**

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Climate advisory bodies often write or advise on a state's climate plan, and make nonbinding recommendations on climate policy design and implementation. The bodies can consist of all non-government members, or be a mix of government and non-government members.

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#### **Environmental Justice**

#### **Community Definitions**

"Overburdened communities" are census block groups where at least 35% of households are lowincome, 40% have limited English proficiency, or 40% of residents are minorities or members of a State recognized tribal community.

Establishing Policies

• N.J.S.A. 13:1D-157 (2020)

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Environmental Justice and Equity





STATUS	POLICY	POLICY AREA	POLICY CATEGORY	YEAR ENACTED
<b>Enacted</b>	Environmental Justice Mapping Tools Environmental Justice Mapping, Assessment and Protection Tool (EJMAP) NJ Overburdened Communities Establishing Policies • Environmental Justice Mapping, Assessment and Protection Tool (EJMAP) (2022) • NJ Overburdened Communities (2022)	Climate Governance and Equity	Environmental Justice and Equity	2022

# Environmental Justice Community Investment Requirements



Environmental justice (EJ) community investment requirements help ensure communities most impacted by environmental burdens are benefitting equitably from public programs by requiring a certain percentage of funds and/or benefits from other policies are allocated to EJ communities.

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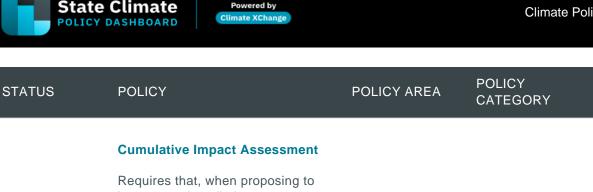




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Enacted	Environmental Justice Bureaucracy NJDEP – Office of Environmental Justice Environmental Justice Interagency Council (EJIC) Establishing Policies • NJDEP – Office of Environmental Justice • Environmental Justice Interagency Council (EJIC)	Climate Governance and Equity	Environmental Justice and Equity	
Enacted	Environmental Justice Advisory Bodies Environmental Justice Advisory Council Establishing Policies	Climate Governance and Equity	Environmental Justice and Equity	

• Environmental Justice Advisory Council





locate certain pollutiongenerating facilities in an overburdened community, an applicant must prepare an EJ impact statement and engage directly with members of their proposed host community by hosting a public hearing; permit applicants must avoid and minimize such stressors, including through the use of added pollution control technology.

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**Environmental** Justice and Equity

**Establishing Policies** 

- S232 (2020)
- N.J.A.C. 7:1C (2023)
- Environmental Justice Law

#### **Just Transition Plans**

Not Enacted

Just transition plans are documents that outline policies and recommendations aimed at supporting communities, workers, and industries affected by the transition away from fossil fuels. The plans often focus on workforce development and retraining, job creation, and economic diversification.

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Not Enacted	Just Transition Offices and Staff Just transition offices and staff assist workers and communities transitioning away from fossil fuel extraction and use, typically through retraining programs and support with relocation and economic diversification. Offices and staff also coordinate with other state agencies to effectively design policy to achieve a just transition.	Climate Governance and Equity	Just Transition	
	Just Transition Advisory Bodies			



Just transition advisory bodies write or advise on a state's just transition plan or report, and make recommendations on ways to support affected workers, communities, and industries. The bodies can consist of all nongovernment members, or be a mix of government and nongovernment members.

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**Just Transition** 

#### Just Transition Funds



Just transition funds support initiatives and investments aimed at facilitating the equitable transition of workers and communities affected by shifts in industries or policies that transition from fossil fuels.

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**Just Transition** 



STATUS	POLICY	POLICY AREA	POLICY CATEGORY	YEAR ENACTED
Not Enacted	<b>Green Banks</b> Green banks are public, quasi- public, or non-profit entities that use innovative financing to invest in climate solutions and attract private capital across various economic sectors.	Cross-Sector	Climate Finance	
Enacted	Carbon Pollution Pricing The Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI) covers the electricity sector. Establishing Policies • N.J.A.C. 7:27C (2019) • N.J.A.C. 7:27D (2019) • The Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI)	Cross-Sector	Carbon Valuation	2020
Not Enacted	Social Cost of Carbon The social cost of carbon is a monetary estimate of the damage of each ton of greenhouse gases emitted. The social cost of carbon is used to quantify and monetize climate damages, representing the net economic cost of climate pollution to society.	Cross-Sector	Carbon Valuation	
Enacted	Clean Energy and Renewable Portfolio Standards 50% renewable energy by 2030   100% clean electricity by 2035 Establishing Policies • A 3723 (2018) • Executive Order 315 (2023)	Electricity	Energy Plans and Targets	2023





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Not Enacted	Electricity Greenhouse Gas Emissions Reduction Targets Electricity greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions reduction targets are set by a state to limit GHG emissions in the electricity sector. These targets aim to reduce emissions by different amounts over time, often expressed as percentage relative to a baseline year.	Electricity	Energy Plans and Targets	
Enacted	Clean Energy Plans 2019 New Jersey Energy Master Plan: Pathway to 2050 Establishing Policies • Executive Order No. 28 (2018) • 2019 New Jersey Energy Master Plan: Pathway to 2050 (2020)	Electricity	Energy Plans and Targets	2020
Enacted	<section-header>Distributed Generation Carve- outDistributed Generation Carve- outThe State Policy Opportunity Tracker (SPOT) breaks clean energy policies down into "components", which are binary quality. Higher quality policies bave more of their SPOT components fulfilled.Establishing PoliciesStablishing PoliciesOuts in New JerseyPolicy Components1000000000000000000000000000000000000</section-header>	Electricity	Clean Energy Generation	





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Partially Enacted	<text><text><section-header><list-item><list-item><list-item></list-item></list-item></list-item></section-header></text></text>	Electricity	Clean Energy Generation	
Partially	Shared Renewables The State Policy Opportunity Tracker (SPOT) breaks clean energy policies down into "components", which are binary questions to evaluate policy quality. Higher quality policies have more of their SPOT components fulfilled.	Electricity	Clean Energy	

**Establishing Policies** 

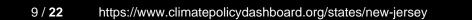
• SPOT - Shared Renewables in New Jersey

Policy Components

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Enacted





Generation



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Enacted	Community Choice Aggregation New Jersey has an active community choice aggregation program. Establishing Policies • A2165 (2003)	Electricity	Clean Energy Generation	2003
Enacted	Energy Storage Targets 600 megawatts (MW) of energy storage by 2021 and 2,000 MW by 2030 Establishing Policies • A3723 (2018)	Electricity	Transmission, Distribution, and Energy Storage	2018
Enacted	Interconnection Standards New Jersey received a D grade from Freeing the Grid. Establishing Policies • Freeing the Grid New Jersey Grade (2023)	Electricity	Transmission, Distribution, and Energy Storage	2023
Not Enacted	<b>Coal Phaseouts</b> Coal phaseouts establish a target year by which states must end	Electricity	Coal Retirement	



coal-fired power generation.



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Not Enacted	Coal Plant Securitization Coal securitization is a financing tool that allows utility companies to refinance debt they issued to build coal plants and close the facilities early without taking a financial hit or passing costs on to ratepayers.	Electricity	Coal Retirement	
Enacted	Residential Energy Codes The statewide energy code for residential construction is 2021 IECC. Establishing Policies • New Jersey State Energy Code (2022)	Buildings and Efficiency	Building Codes	2022
Contracted Enacted	Commercial Energy Codes The statewide energy code for commercial building construction is ASHRAE 90.1-2019. Establishing Policies • New Jersey State Energy Code (2022)	Buildings and Efficiency	Building Codes	2022
Not Enacted	Stretch Building Energy Codes Stretch building energy codes are an optional, more stringent building code established by the state that local jurisdictions can adopt to require that newly constructed buildings are more	Buildings and Efficiency	Building Codes	

efficient than the baseline state

codes.



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Enacted	Appliance Standards The Appliance and Equipment Efficiency Standards apply to 20 products. Establishing Policies • A 5160 (2022) • Appliance Standards	Buildings and Efficiency	Building Standards	2022
Not Enacted	Building Performance Standards Building performance standards establish energy and/or greenhouse gas performance targets for existing buildings in a state. These targets increase in stringency over time, leading to efficiency improvements in buildings to conserve energy and	Buildings and Efficiency	Building Standards	

#### **Clean Heat Standards**

reduce emissions.

Not Enacted Clean heat standards establish a performance standard requiring heat providers to deliver a gradually-increasing percentage of low-emission heating services to customers.

Buildings and Efficiency

Building Standards





STATUS	POLICY	POLICY AREA	POLICY CATEGORY	YEAR ENACTED
Center Enacted	<ul> <li>Energy Efficiency Resource</li> <li>Standards (EERS)</li> <li>Electric utilities are required to achieve energy savings equivalent to 1.31% in 2024, 1.66% in 2025, 2% in 2026, and 2% in 2027.</li> <li>Gas utilities are required to achieve energy savings equivalent to 0.61% in 2024, 0.68% in 2025, 0.75% in 2026, and 0.75% in 2027.</li> <li>Establishing Policies</li> <li>P.L. 2018, c. 17 (2018)</li> <li>BPU Board Order 2020/2020 (2020)</li> </ul>	Buildings and Efficiency	Building Efficiency	2023
	Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE)			
	New Jersey has enacted			

Progress

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New Jersey has enacted commercial PACE-enabling legislation and is developing programs.

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• A2374/S1953 (2021)

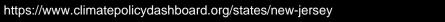


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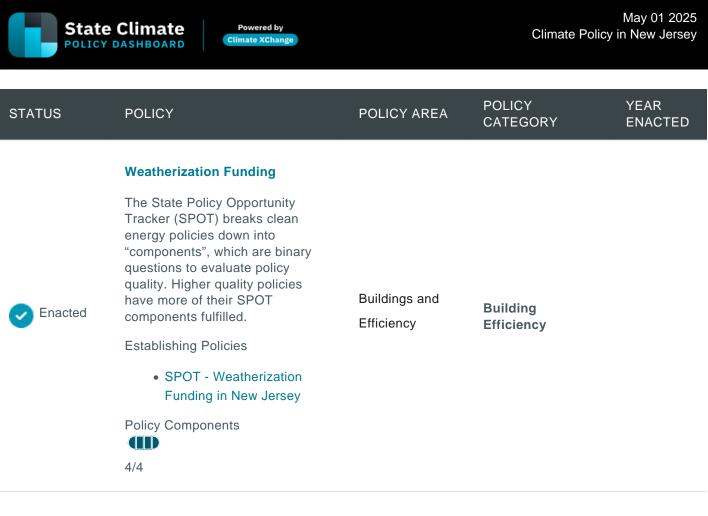
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#### **All-Electric Buildings**

Not Enacted All-electric buildings policies require new buildings to be constructed with all-electric heating, cooling, and cooking systems to transition away from fossil-fuel use in buildings.

Buildings and Efficiency

Transportation

Building Electrification

Light-Duty

Vehicles

# Low-Emission Vehicle (LEV) Standards



New Jersey LEV Program Establishing Policies

- N.J.A.C. 7:27-29 (2023)
- New Jersey LEV Program



STATUS	POLICY	POLICY AREA	POLICY CATEGORY	YEAR ENACTED
<b>Enacted</b>	Zero-Emission Vehicle (ZEV) Mandates Model Year (MY) 2027: 43% of new passenger vehicle sales are ZEVs   MY 2030: 68% of new sales are ZEVs   MY 2035: 100% of new sales are ZEVs, with up to 20% being hybrid or hydrogen- powered vehicles. Establishing Policies • Advanced Clean Cars II (2023) • Advanced Clean Cars II Program	Transportation	Light-Duty Vehicles	2023
	Electric Vehicle Rebates			



The Charge Up New Jersey program offers rebates up to \$4,000 for new battery EVs.

Transportation

Light-Duty Vehicles

Establishing Policies

Charge Up New Jersey

#### Low NOx Omnibus Rules



Low NOx Omnibus Rules establish stringent tailpipe emission standards for heavy duty vehicles, updated testing procedures, and technologyneutral compliance mechanisms to reduce nitrous oxide (NOx) pollution. The regulation must be adopted first by California, and other states may adopt the regulation under the federal Clean Air Act.

Transportation

Medium- and Heavy-Duty Vehicles





STATUS	POLICY	POLICY AREA	POLICY CATEGORY	YEAR ENACTED
	Medium- and Heavy-Duty (MHD) Zero-Emission Vehicle (ZEV) Mandates			
Enacted	By 2035: 55% of Class 2b-3 truck sales are zero-emissions   75% of Class 4-8 straight truck sales are zero-emissions   40% of Class 7- 8 tractor sales are zero- emissions.	Transportation	Medium- and Heavy-Duty Vehicles	2021
	Establishing Policies • Advanced Clean Truck Rules (2021) • Advanced Clean Trucks Program			
	Medium- and Heavy-Duty			

#### Medium- and Heavy-Duty

#### **Electric Vehicle (EV) Rebates**

Medium- and heavy-duty (MHD) Medium- and Transportation electric vehicle rebates consist of **Heavy-Duty** Enacted programs and policies that offer Vehicles rebates to make MHD electric vehicles more affordable to increase their adoption in a state.

#### **Public Fleet Electric Vehicle**

#### (EV) Procurement Targets



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25% of state-owned nonemergency light duty vehicles are plug-in EVs by 2025 | 100% are plug-in EVs by 2035

Transportation

Lead by Example

**Establishing Policies** 

• S 2252 (2020)





STATUS	POLICY	POLICY AREA	POLICY CATEGORY	YEAR ENACTED
Enacted	Electric Bus Procurement Targets 10% of new bus purchases by NJ Transit are zero-emission by 2024   50% by 2026   100% by 2032 Establishing Policies • \$ 2252 (2020)	Transportation	Lead by Example	2020

### Electric Vehicle (EV) Charging

#### **Infrastructure Requirements**

Requires at least 15% of offstreet parking spaces be EV charger-ready ("Make-Ready") in multi-family buildings with 5+ dwellings; within 3 years of the certificate of occupancy, one-third of Make-Ready spaces must have EV supply equipment (EVSE) installed, followed by another one-third within the next 3 years, after which the remaining one-third must have EVSE installed.

Transportation

EV Charging Infrastructure

2021



**Establishing Policies** 

• S 3223 (2021)





STATUS	POLICY	POLICY AREA	POLICY CATEGORY	YEAR ENACTED
	Electric Vehicle (EV) Charging Infrastructure Rebates			
	Charge Up New Jersey offers rebates of \$250 for the purchase and installation of an in-home Level 2 EV charger.	Transportation	EV Charging Infrastructure	
Enacted	It Pay\$ to Plug In provides grants for the purchase and maintenance of EV charging stations, up to \$750 for Level 1 chargers and \$4,000 for Level 2 chargers.			
	Establishing Policies <ul> <li>Charge Up New Jersey</li> <li>Program</li> <li>It Pay\$ to Plug In Program</li> </ul>			
	Electric Vehicle (EV) and EV			
	Charging Infrastructure Plans			
Enacted	2019 Energy Master Plan Strategies and Goals	Transportation	Transportation	2019
	Establishing Policies	Transportation Plans and Targets	2019	

- 2019 Energy Master Plan Strategies and Goals (2019)

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Not Enacted	Transportation Greenhouse Gas Emissions Reduction Targets Transportation greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions reduction targets are set by a state to limit emissions in the transportation sector. These targets aim to reduce emissions by specific amounts over time, often expressed as a percentage reduction from a baseline year.	Transportation	Transportation Plans and Targets	
Not Enacted	Low Carbon Fuel Standards A low carbon fuel standard (LCFS) is a market-based mechanism to reduce the carbon intensity of transportation fuels and account for the fuel's life cycle greenhouse gas emissions.	Transportation	Transportation Plans and Targets	
Partially Enacted	<ul> <li>Bicycle Friendly States</li> <li>New Jersey is ranked 26th out of 50 in the 2024 Bicycle Friendly State rankings by the League of American Bicyclists.</li> <li>Establishing Policies</li> <li>New Jersey Bicycle Friendly State Scorecard</li> <li>Policy Components</li> <li>●●●●●●●●●●●●●●●●●●●●●●●●●●●●●●●●●●●●</li></ul>	Transportation	Public and Active Transportation	





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Not Enacted	Buy Clean Requirements Buy clean requirements mandate or incentivize the use of low- carbon construction materials, such as concrete and steel, in public projects to address embodied carbon.	Industry, Materials, and Waste Management	Industrial Decarbonization	
	Hydrofluorocarbon (HFC) Regulations			
Enacted	The state prohibits the sale, lease, rent, or installation of certain equipment or products containing HFCs or other greenhouses gases in the state of New Jersey and requiring manufacturers to disclose HFCs and substitutes in their products.	Industry, Materials, and Waste Management	F-gas Regulations	2020

Establishing Policies

- A 5583 (2020)

## Sulfur Hexafluoride (SF6)

#### Regulations

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Sulfur hexafluoride (SF6) regulations include phasedown commitments, reporting requirements, bans, or other measures that reduce SF6 usage and emissions. Industry,

Materials, and Waste

Management

F-gas Regulations



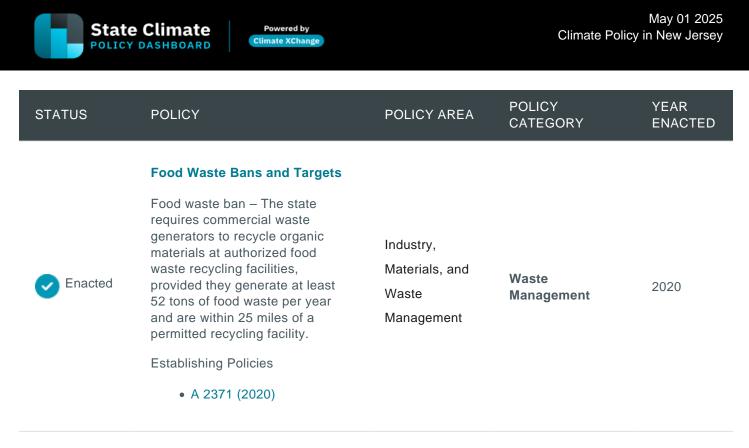


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Not Enacted	Oil and Gas Methane Regulations Oil and gas methane regulations include phasedown commitments, reporting requirements, leak detection and repair, or other measures that reduce methane emissions from oil and gas production.	Industry, Materials, and Waste Management	Oil and Gas Regulations	
Not Enacted	<b>Fracking Bans</b> Fracking bans prohibit the practice of hydraulic fracking for the production of oil and/or natural gas by a certain year. Legislation often requires an environmental agency or department to promulgate regulations.	Industry, Materials, and Waste Management	Oil and Gas Regulations	
Not Enacted	Landfill Methane Regulations Landfill methane regulations include rulemakings, emissions monitoring, emissions control, or other measures that reduce methane emissions from decaying organic waste in	Industry, Materials, and Waste Management	Waste Management	



landfills.





# Agriculture Financial

#### Incentives



Agriculture financial incentives support healthy soils and regenerative agriculture. Incentives may include reduced crop insurance premiums, property tax exemptions, grants, or cost-share programs.

Natural and Working Lands

Agriculture

#### **Agriculture Technical**

#### **Assistance Programs**



Agriculture technical assistance programs provide state-driven technical assistance, apprenticeship and mentorship programs, and support securing additional funding for farmers to increase uptake of soil health practices.

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