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Enacted	Greenhouse Gas Emissions Reduction Targets 26% by 2025 80% by 2050 Relative to 2005 levels Establishing Policies • Executive Order 2019-01 (2019)	Climate Governance and Equity	Climate Governance	2019
Enacted	Climate Action Plans Pennsylvania Climate Action Plan Establishing Policies • Act 70 of 2008 (2007) • Pennsylvania Climate Action Plan (2021)	Climate Governance and Equity	Climate Governance	2021
E nacted	State Greenhouse Gas Emissions Inventory The 2005-2021 Greenhouse Inventory was published in June 2024. Establishing Policies • Act 70 of 2008 (2008) • 2005-2021 Greenhouse Inventory (2024)	Climate Governance and Equity	Climate Governance	2024





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Not Enacted	Climate Bureaucracy Climate bureaucracy consists of dedicated climate offices and staff, interagency working groups, task forces, and other bodies made up of government staff. These bodies are often responsible for writing a state's climate plan and implementing the policies and strategies identified to meet its climate targets.	Climate Governance and Equity	Climate Governance	
Enacted	Climate Advisory Bodies Climate Change Advisory Committee Establishing Policies • Act 70 of 2008 (2008) • Climate Change Advisory Committee	Climate Governance and Equity	Climate Governance	2008
Enacted	Environmental Justice Community Definitions "Environmental justice areas" are the 20% highest scoring census tracts from PennEnviroScreen, which includes components related to pollution burden, such as environmental exposures and effects, and population characteristics, such as indicators related to health outcomes and socioeconomic factors. Establishing Policies • Environmental Justice Public Participation Policy (2018)	Climate Governance and Equity	Environmental Justice and Equity	2018



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Enacted	Environmental Justice Mapping Tools PennEnviroScreen Environmental Justice Areas Viewer Establishing Policies • Environmental Justice Areas Viewer (2023)	Climate Governance and Equity	Environmental Justice and Equity	2023
Not Enacted	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.	Climate Governance and Equity	Environmental Justice and Equity	
Enacted	Environmental Justice Bureaucracy PA DEP – Office of Environmental Justice Environmental Justice Interagency Council Establishing Policies • Executive Order 2021-07 (2021) • PA DEP – Office of Environmental Justice • Environmental Justice Interagency Council	Climate Governance and Equity	Environmental Justice and Equity	2021



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Enacted	Environmental Justice Advisory Bodies Environmental Justice Advisory Board Establishing Policies • Executive Order 2021-07 (2021) • Environmental Justice Advisory Board	Climate Governance and Equity	Environmental Justice and Equity	2021
Not Enacted	Cumulative Impact Assessment Cumulative impact assessments determine the health and environmental impacts of renewing or granting a permit for certain pollution-generating facilities in environmental justice communities. Increased pollution burdens in communities may result in the permit application being denied.	Climate Governance and Equity	Environmental Justice and Equity	
Not Enacted	Just Transition Plans 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.	Climate Governance and Equity	Just Transition	





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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	
Not Enacted	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 non-government members.	Climate Governance and Equity	Just Transition	
Not Enacted	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.	Climate Governance and Equity	Just Transition	

