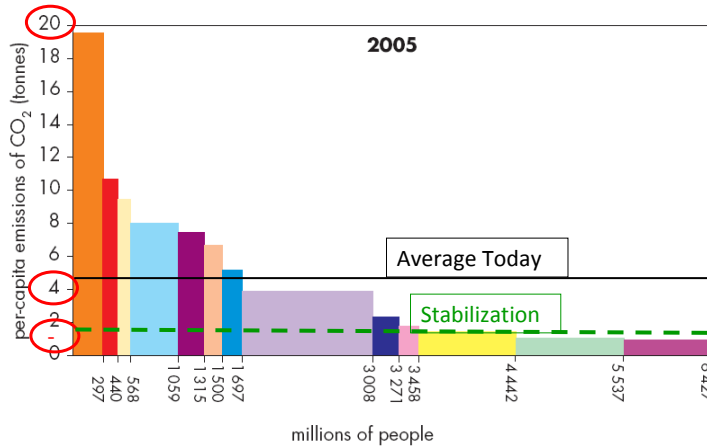


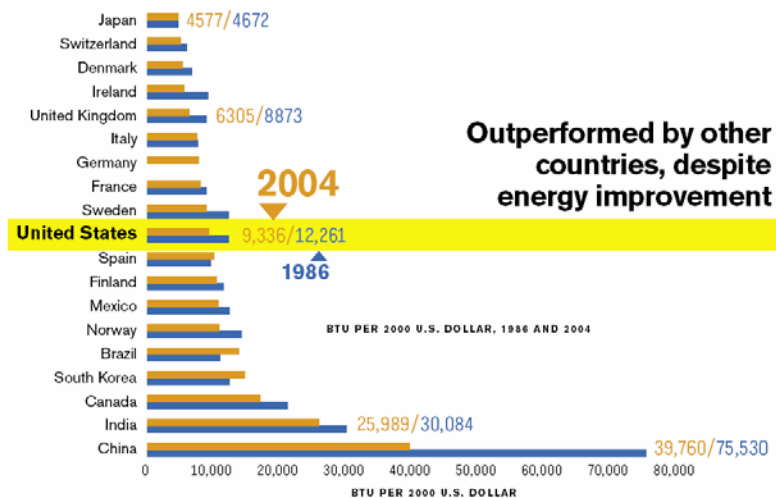


## The CO<sub>2</sub> emissions of today's rich eventually must equal the emissions of today's poor



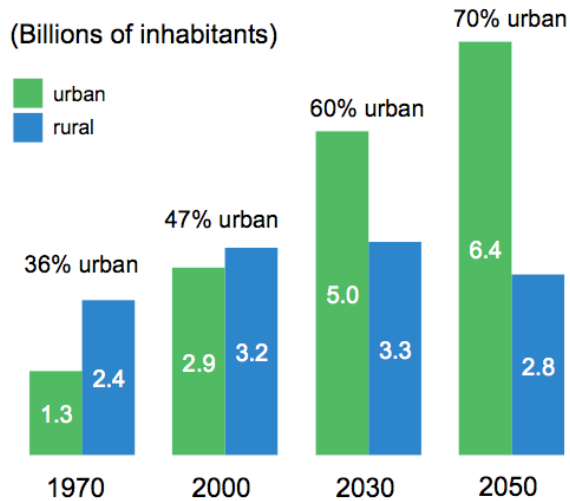
Source: IEA WEO 2007 and Socolow (2009)

## Energy productivity in the U.S. is outperformed by many countries



Source: Council on Competitiveness. 2007. *Competitiveness Index: Where America Stands*. Figure 4.32, p. 103.

## The Future Society Will be Increasingly Urban, With Energy Implications



Source: United Nations, *World Urbanization Prospects: 2007*.

## Where we Build may be as Important as What we Build



Atlanta, 2008



Atlanta, 2108

Source: LWARPS - "we can reverse sprawl", City of the Future competition, Georgia Tech entry

# Atlantic Steel becomes Atlantic Station



(Photo Courtesy of USEPA)

## 1997

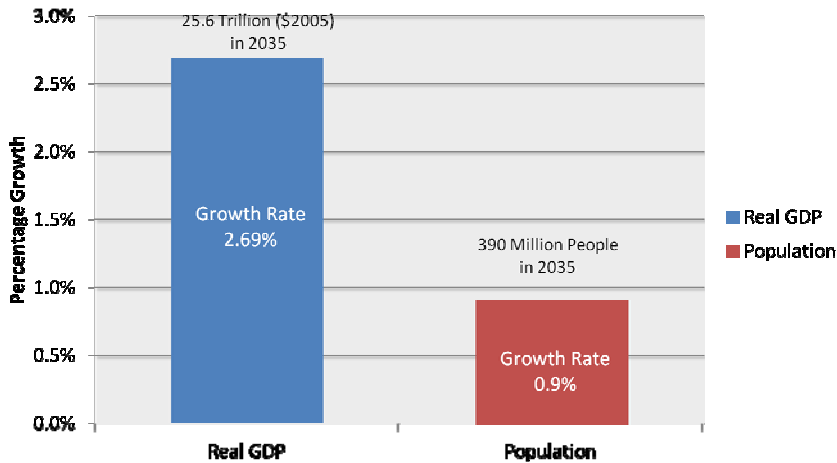
- 138 acre brownfield site in Midtown
- Jacoby redevelopment plan
- Atlanta Clean Air Act nonconformity
- Moratorium on Federal highway spending
- Converted plan to GIS database
- Comparative analysis by EPA
- Project XL exception for 17<sup>th</sup> Street bridge



## Today

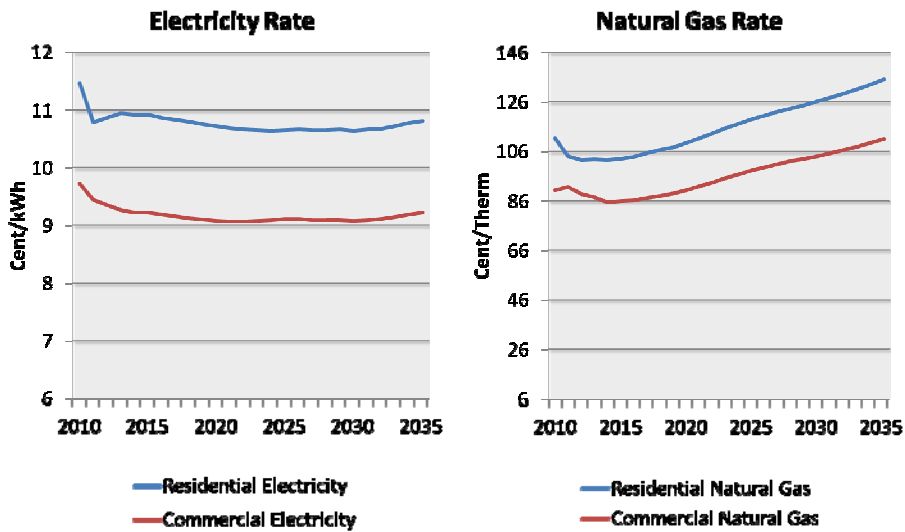
- Mixed Use Development
- 30,000 employees, 10,000 residents
- 12 acres of public space
- Less traffic and air pollution
- Cleaned up brownfield site
- Improved tax base

## GDP and Population Growth Over the Next 25 Years



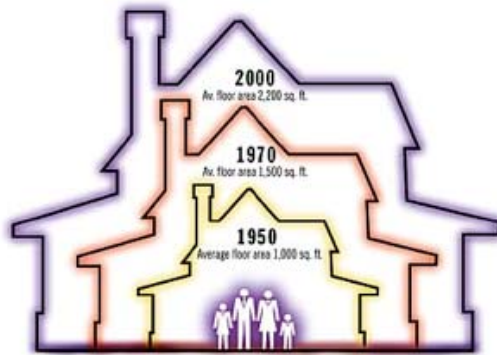
Source: Macroeconomic Indicators, AEO2011 Reference Case

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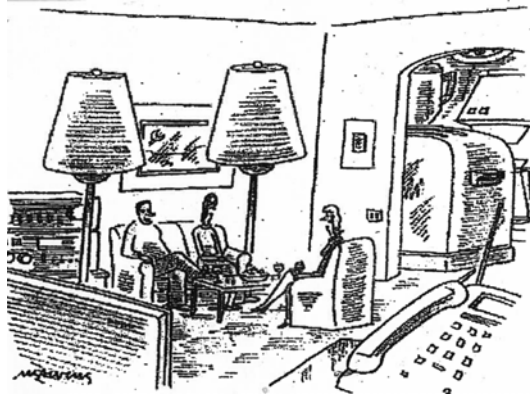
# The Impact of Affluence and Cheap Energy

Growth in the Average Home Size in the U.S. Over Time



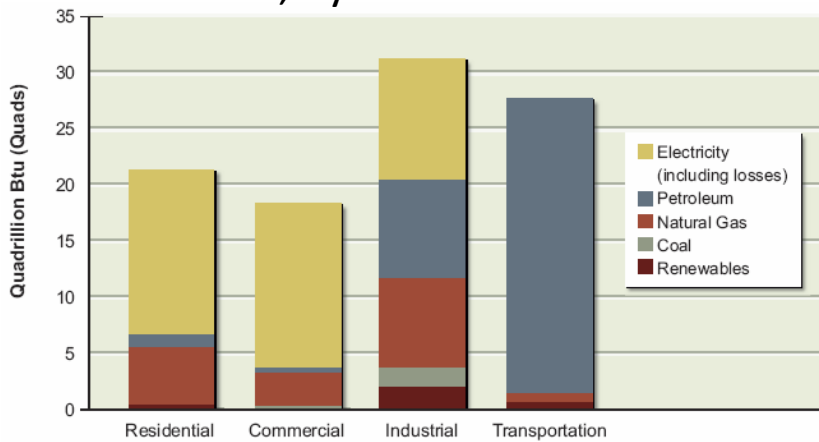
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, National Association of Home Builders

## The Impact of Affluence and Cheap Energy



“You know how it is, first you buy the big screen TV, and then nothing seems to match.”

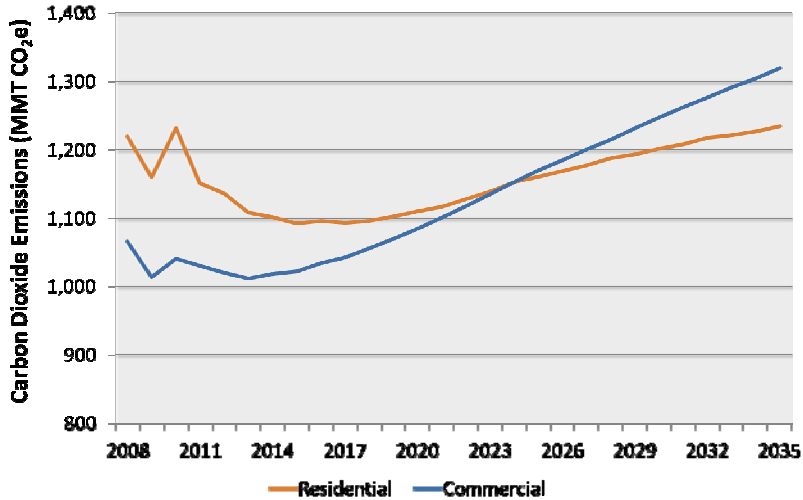
## Total Energy Consumption in the U.S. in 2008, by Sector and Fuel



Renewables: 2010: 4%      2010: 1%      **What if the “Sun Shot” succeeded and 1 watt of solar PV cost \$1?**  
 2035: 4%      2035: 1%

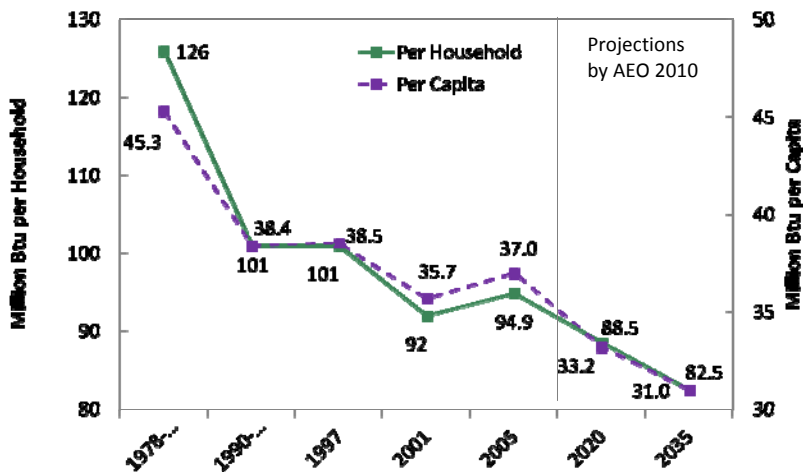
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## U.S. Energy Use and Carbon Emissions are Expected to Increase



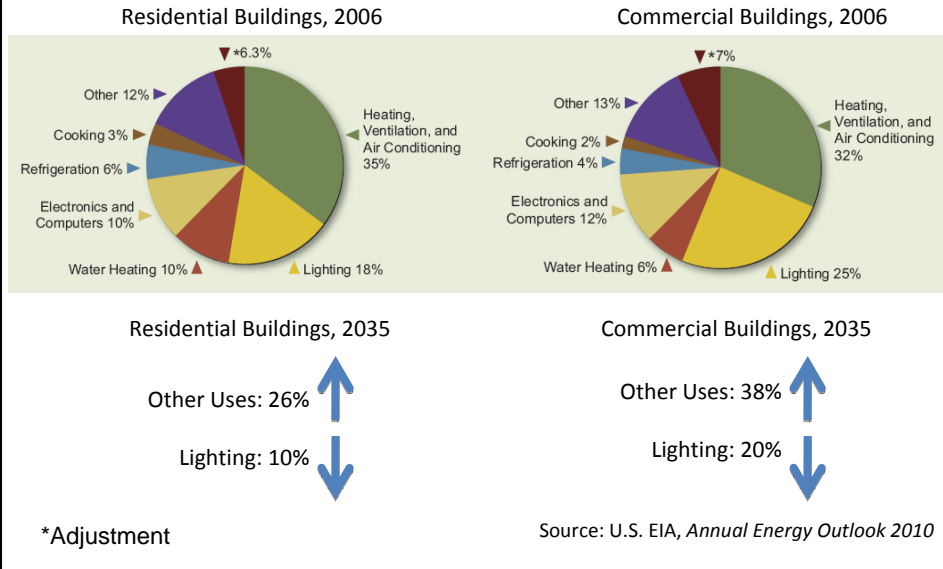
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## Per Capita Energy Consumption: Will it Continue to Decline?

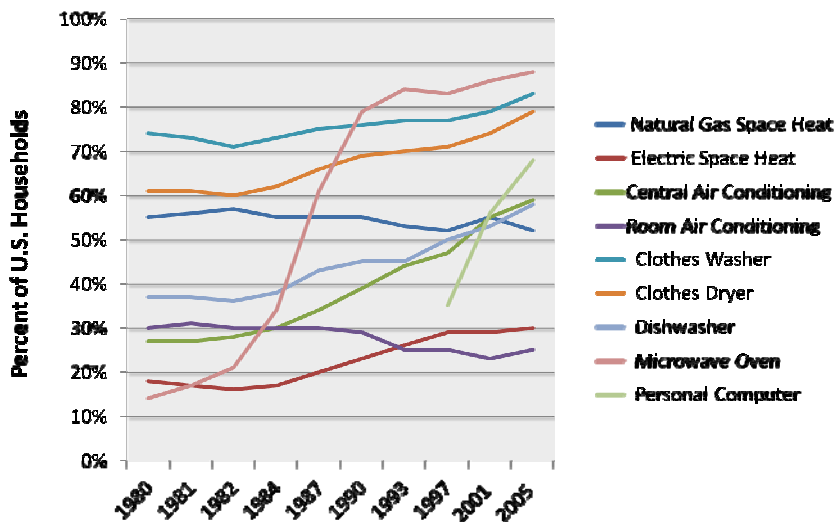


Source: U.S. EIA, 2010. *Annual Energy Outlook (AEO) 2010*.  
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# Energy Use in U.S. Buildings by End-Use

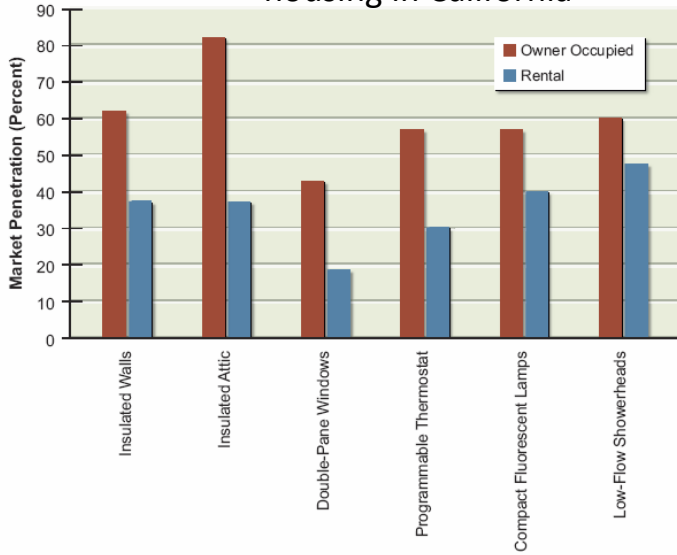


# Household Appliance Penetration Trends: Transformations Can Be Rapid

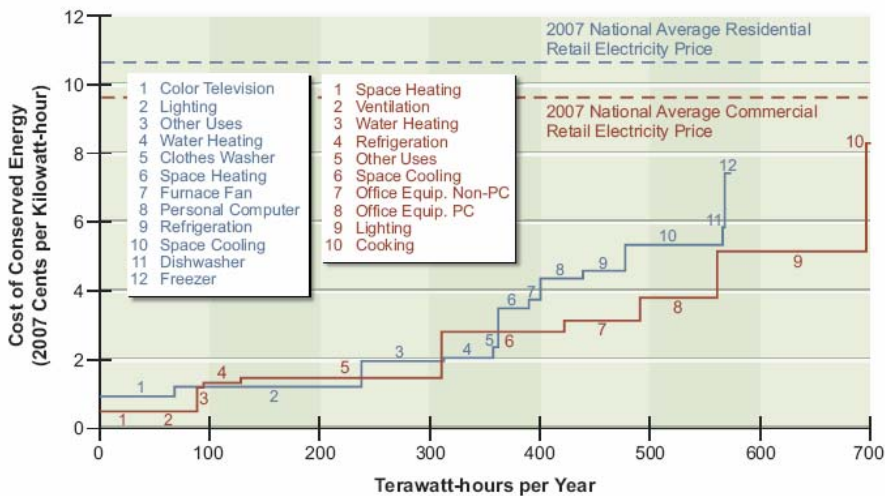




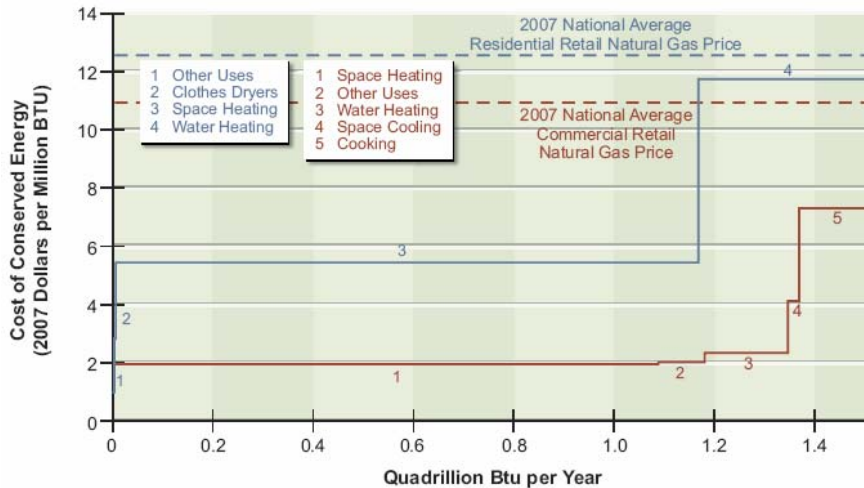
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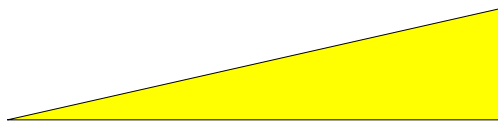
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## The Behavioral Wedge

*“Household Actions Can Provide a Behavioral Wedge to Rapidly Reduce U.S. Carbon Emissions”*

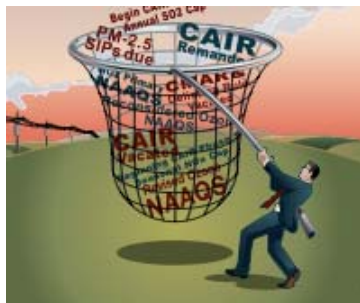
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17 types of household actions can reduce energy consumption with available technology, low cost, and without appreciable lifestyle changes.

## Higher Electricity Prices will Enable the Behavioral Wedge

- Pending EPA regulations on air ( $SO_2$ ,  $NO_x$ , mercury, etc.), water, and coal ash on or around 2015:
  - ✓ May require retrofit, retirement or replacement of substantial portion of existing coal fleet in short period of time;
  - ✓ Some estimate potential for near-term retirement of 50 GW or more of coal capacity;
  - ✓ Regulations could impact reliability in some regions; and
  - ✓ Some estimates of capital costs exceed \$100B.



Source: J. Edward Cichanowicz. 2011. "The Trouble with Being Coal," *Public Power* January-February, [PublicPowerMedia.org](http://PublicPowerMedia.org)

## Grounds for Optimism

- Carbon emissions have just begun to be priced and local air pollution will see stronger regulations – these “market signals” will spur innovation and “lean” energy decisions.
- Most of the 2050 physical plant is not yet built – with growth comes opportunity.
- Our current energy system could be made much more efficient – creating jobs and reducing imports.