

Visualizing Energy:

A case for rethinking Canada's electrical systems.

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Electricity: No emissions at point of use!

Sources for Power Generation in Canada (TWh_e/yr) Life Cycle Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Intensity (gCO₂/kWh_e)

Coal (82)

Oil (9)

Gas (43)

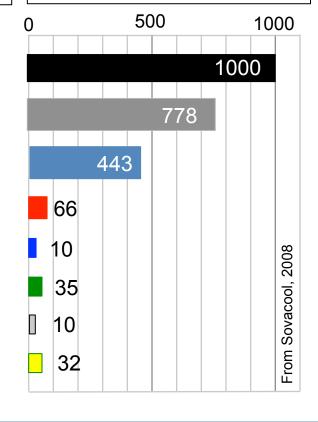
Nuclear (86)

Hydro (361)

Biomass (12)

Wind + Tidal (2.4)

Solar (0.3)

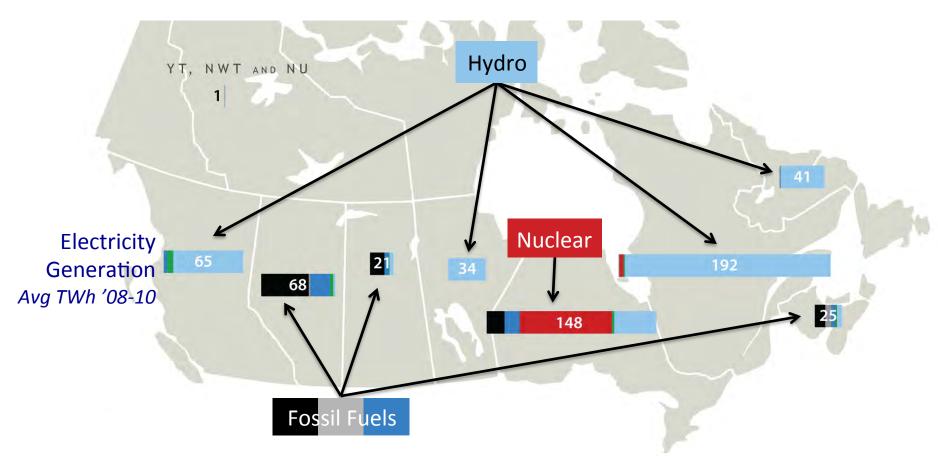


Future: ✓ Zero/Low C electricity generation;

✓ Incr. from ~25% \rightarrow 50+% of 1° energy



Electricity Production



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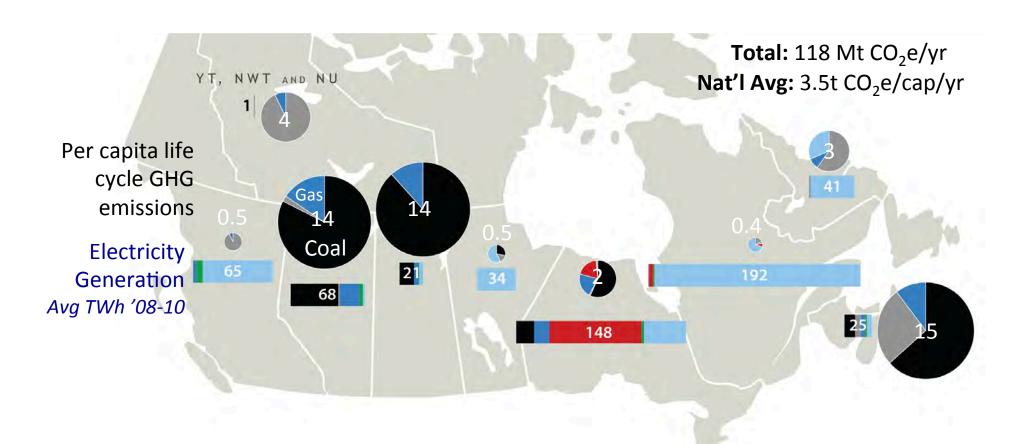
Sources

Production: Statcan Cansim 127-0001, 127-0002, 127-0006 Imports and exports: Statcan Cansim 127-0001, 127-0002 Interprovincial trade: Statcan non-Cansim data Imports and exports price: National Energy Board Interprovincial trade price: Statcan non-Cansim data GHGs: Sovacool BK, 2008 Energy Policy 36: 2940-2953 Undeveloped Hydro: Cdn Hydropower Assoc. (2006)



GHG Emissions from Electricity

(t CO₂e per Capita)

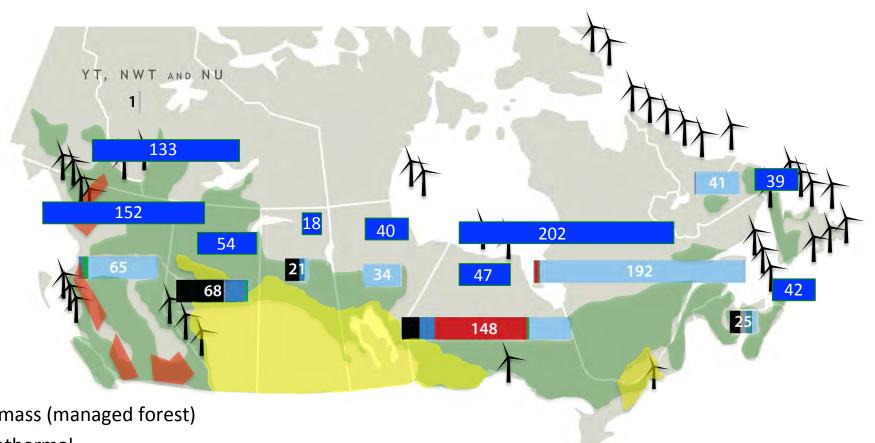


Why?

Could provinces work together to solve this challenge?



Canada has the Renewable **Energy Resources**



Biomass (managed forest)

Geothermal

Wind Solar

Hydro (undeveloped)

How much interprovincial trade in electricity is there today?



Most (~80%) of Current Cross-Border Power Trade is N-S, not EW

