



# Wind-dominated System where Thermal Storage has been a Key Enabling Technology

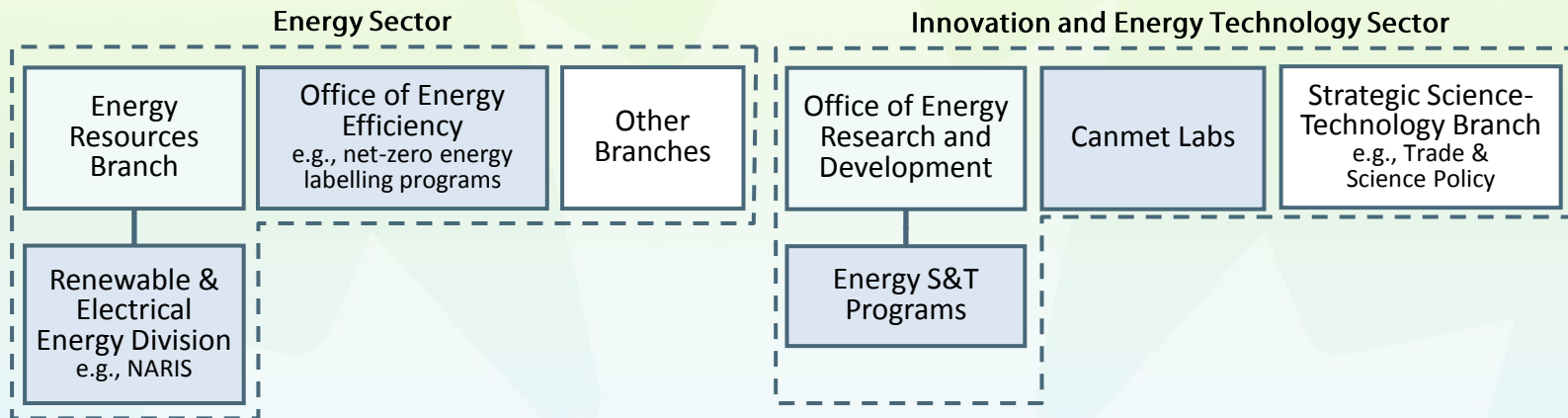
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# Federal Government and the Smart Grid

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# Canmet Laboratories Across Canada

- Oil sands & heavy oil

## Devon



- Buildings & communities
- Industrial processes
- Clean electricity
- Bioenergy
- Renewables
- Transportation

## Ottawa



- Buildings
- Industrial processes
- Renewable energy integration**
- RETScreen International

## Varenes



- Transportation (materials)
- Pipelines
- Manufacturing

## Hamilton



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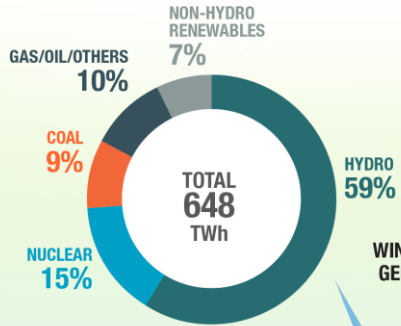


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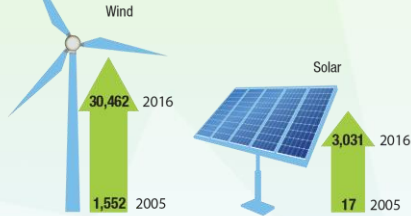
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GENERATION BY SOURCE, 2016




WIND AND SOLAR NET ELECTRICITY GENERATION GROWTH IN CANADA, 2005 - 2016 (in GWh)



# Smart Grid Deployment Metrics in Canada 2018




In 2016, **81%** of electricity in Canada came from **non-GHG emitting sources**



**SOLAR PV**

**2.10 GW<sub>AC</sub>**  
distributed out of  
**2.48 GW<sub>AC</sub>**  
installed grid-connected capacity

Data as of December 31, 2017




**EV**

**72.8 k**  
BEVs and PHEVs  
on road

**>5.8 k**  
Level 2  
charging outlets

**>850**  
Level 3  
charging outlets

Data as of July 31, 2018



**SMART METER**

**>81%**  
of meters are smart

Data as of August 17, 2018



**WIND**

**0.96 GW<sub>AC</sub>**  
distributed\* out of  
**12.70 GW<sub>AC</sub>**  
installed capacity

\*assuming all wind capacity below 20 MW is distribution connected

Data as of July 1, 2018

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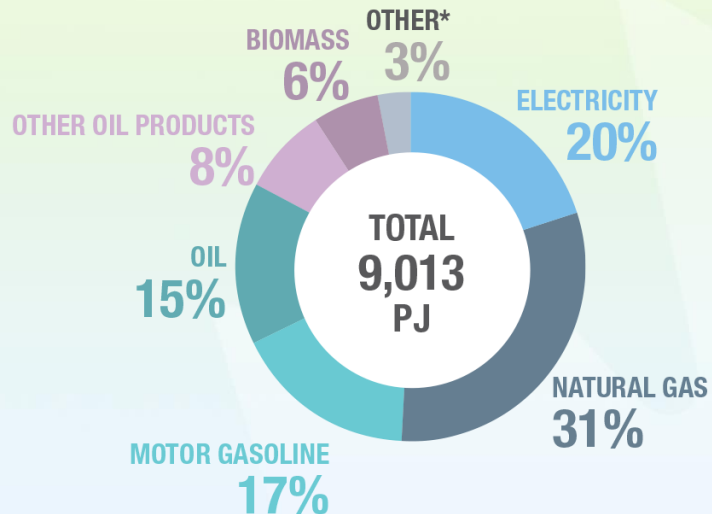
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# Decarbonization and Electrification

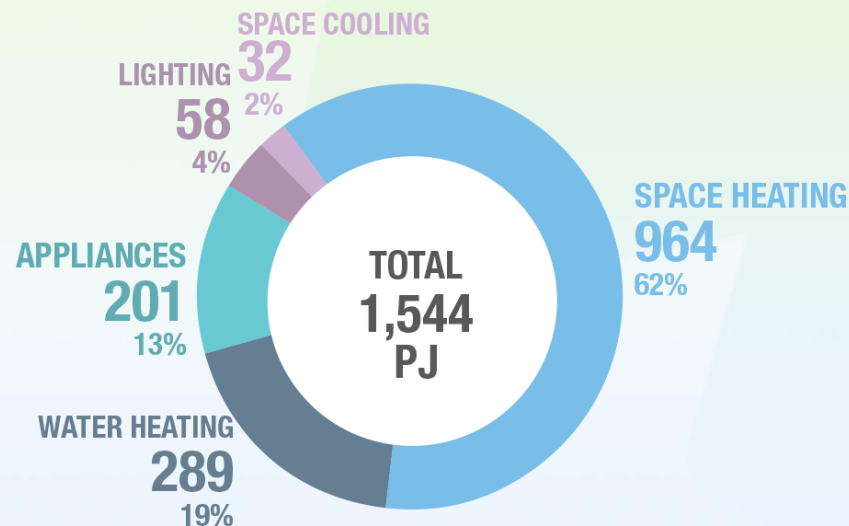
CANADA'S SECONDARY ENERGY USE BY FUEL TYPE, 2015



## Residential energy use

81% of residential energy consumption is used for space and water heating

RESIDENTIAL APPLIANCES ENERGY USE (PJ), 2015



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# Summerside Electric Case Study

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# Flexible Loads = Integrate Renewable

## Residential Sector Example

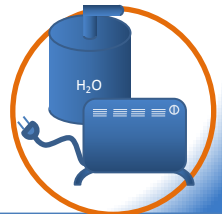
Added electrical storage



House inherent storage



Electrical vehicles



Thermal loads with built-in storage  
(electric water heaters, electric thermal storage devices)

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# Canada's DR potential

Total residential DR potential in Canada is 39 GW/ 85 GWh

		BC	AB	SK	MB	ON	QC	NB	NS	PE	NL	Total
Space Heating	Peak Load (GW)	3.6	0.58	0.25	1.2	6.1	13	1.1	0.68	0.02	0.93	27
	Thermal Storage Capacity (GWh)	7.2	1.2	4.9	2.4	12	25	2.2	1.4	0.05	1.9	58
Space Cooling	No. Homes with Central AC (k)	198	221	194	271	3110	524	52	18.0	0.5	4.8	4593
Water Heating	Peak Load (GW)	0.73	0.12	0.08	0.27	1.3	3.6	3.3	2.3	0.01	0.23	12
	Thermal Storage Capacity (GWh)	2.8	0.46	0.30	1.0	5.2	14	1.3	0.91	0.05	0.88	27

- With minimal/no comfort impact
- Without storage addition

Steven Wong, Canadian Residential Demand Response and Ancillary Service Market Opportunities, CanmetENERGY, Varennes Research Centre, Natural Resources Canada, Report No. 2015-022 (RP-TEC), April 2015

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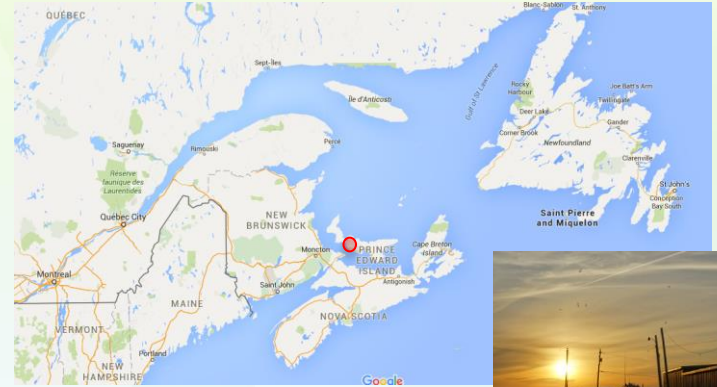
# Summerside Smart Grid Project for Wind Integration

## Summerside, Prince Edward Island

- 15,000 inhabitants
- 27 MW peak
- 130 GWh annual energy consumption

## Electric utility

- Municipally-owned
- 21 MW wind generation (owned/contracted) (supplies 40-50% energy)
- Interconnected with New Brunswick Power



City of  
*Summerside*

Prince Edward Island  
S. Wong, G. Gaudet and L. P. Proulx, "Capturing Wind with Thermal Energy Storage – Summerside's Smart Grid Approach," in *IEEE Power and Energy Technology Systems Journal*, In Press. doi: 10.1109/JIPETS.2017.2754139



# Wind Integration Challenge

- Mismatch between wind and load means that energy must often be exported to bulk grid
- Consequences:
  - Lost GHG reduction potential with clean energy not being used locally
  - Missed economic gains by exporting the wind energy at less than value

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# Solution

## Solution:

- A *smart grid* program increasing local utilization of wind generation

Since wind cannot be controlled (without losing energy), solution must be on the load side

## Approach:

- Increase electric heat load
- Enable flexibility in heat load through utility managed heat energy storage
- Use wind energy to heat or to charge energy storage appliances for space/water heating



High temperature electric water heater with thermostatic valve

# Program

## Consumer-side Program:

- Encourage replacement of oil-fired equipment with
  - Electric thermal storage (ETS) space heating units
  - High capacity/temperature electric water heaters
- by offering discounted rates
  - Offsetting customer-borne capital costs
  - Bucket at 8¢ vs 12¢ per kWh for appliance energy demand
- Appliance load management options
  - Smart (dynamically)
  - Time-of-use

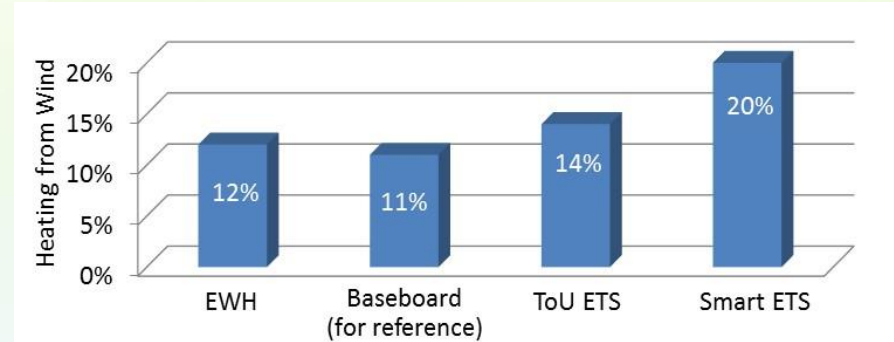
Total device uptake, to 2015

Device	No.	Total Charging Capacity (kW)	Total Storage Capacity (kWh)	Estimated Energy Use (MWh)
Room ETS	120	642	3240	1436
House ETS	45	1244	6618	2153
Thermal Electric Large ETS	6	480	2280	2997
Water Heater	140	630	849	n/a

Total of 3 MW and 13.5 MWh of available storage

# Results

- Additional 621 MWh (24% of surplus) of wind locally consumed
- 400 t CO<sub>2</sub>eq GHG avoidance



Portion of energy use supplied by wind, per device

ToU ETS (small home)	Smart ETS (small home)	ToU EWH
2.4 t CO <sub>2</sub> eq/y/appliance	2.9 t CO <sub>2</sub> eq/y/appliance	0.3 t CO <sub>2</sub> eq/y/appliance

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# Conclusion

- Decarbonization, electrification, clean electricity
- Flexibility from the demand side = enabler for renewables
- Smart grid technologies deployed in Summerside to use wind surpluses for clean heating
- Now studying future control options using AI techniques to improve prediction and control



# Questions

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