

# Annual Emissions Report

2020 Report 10/21/2020 17:34

## Bowdoin College

5600 College Station  
Brunswick, ME 04011



Contact: Keisha Payson  
 Industry Type: Education  
 NAIC Code: 611310  
 SIC Code: 8221  
 Number of Students (FTE): 1,826  
 Building Square Footage: 2,153,528  
 Annual Revenue: \$175,772,000  
 Description: "Bowdoin is an independent, nonsectarian, coeducational residential, undergraduate liberal arts institution founded in 1794. It is located in Brunswick, Maine, a town of 22,000 on the Maine coast. Study at Bowdoin leads to a bachelor of arts degree in one of over 40 departmental and interdisciplinary majors. Bowdoin enrolls approximately 1,800 students from across the country and around the world."  
 Source: www.bowdoin.edu

### Emissions Information

Reporting Year: 2020  
 Reporting Scope: Maine  
 Reporting Protocol: Scope 1, Scope 2, and Scope 3 emissions

Baseline Emissions	(2008)	CO <sub>2</sub> e	/FTE	/MM Sq Ft	/MM \$ Rev	Unit
Own Source:		16,326	9.50	7,947	139	metric tons
Scope 3:		2,828	1.64	1,376	24	metric tons
<b>Total:</b>		<b>19,153</b>	<b>11.14</b>	<b>9,323</b>	<b>163</b>	
Reporting Year Emissions	(2020)	CO <sub>2</sub> e	/FTE	/MM Sq Ft	/MM \$ Rev	Unit
Own Source:		10,707	5.86	4,972	61	metric tons
Scope 3:		748	0.41	347	4	metric tons
<b>Total:</b>		<b>11,455</b>	<b>6.27</b>	<b>5,319</b>	<b>65</b>	
Change from Baseline		CO <sub>2</sub> e	/FTE	/MM Sq Ft	/MM \$ Rev	Unit
Own Source:		-34%	-38.3%	-37.4%	-56.1%	% change
Scope 3:		-74%	-75.1%	-74.8%	-82.3%	% change
<b>Total (weighted):</b>		<b>-40%</b>	<b>-43.7%</b>	<b>-43.0%</b>	<b>-60.0%</b>	

### Report Information

Author: Competitive Energy Services, LLC  
 148 Middle Street, Suite 506  
 Portland, ME 04101  
 (207) 772-6190  
 Comments: General Notes:  
 Report compiled based on FY20 data provided.



# Annual Emissions Report

2020 Report 10/21/2020 17:34



## Bowdoin College

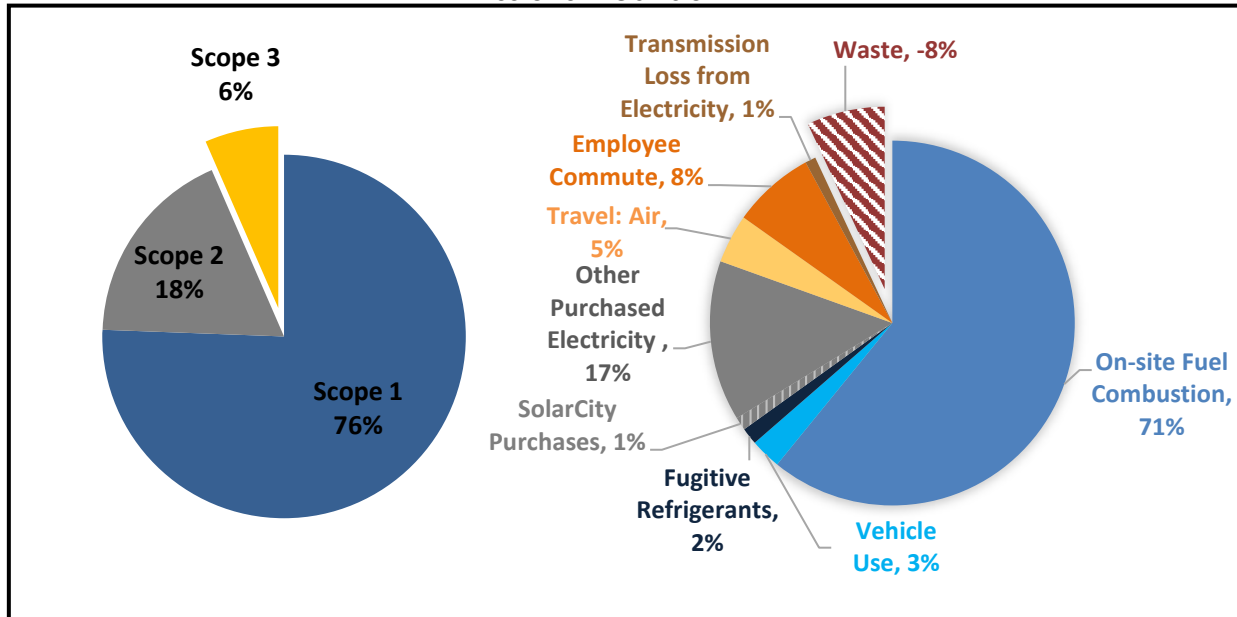
Scope 1	CO <sub>2</sub> e	CO <sub>2</sub>	N <sub>2</sub> O	CH <sub>4</sub>	HFCs	PFCs	SF <sub>6</sub>	Unit
Stationary, On-site Fuel Combustion	8,098	8,090	0.0166	0.1532				metric tons
Vehicle Use	361	359	0.0040	0.0248				metric tons
Fugitive Refrigerants	201				0.09			metric tons
<b>SCOPE 1 TOTAL</b>	<b>8,659</b>	<b>8,448</b>	<b>0.02</b>	<b>0.18</b>	<b>0.09</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>metric tons</b>

Scope 2	CO <sub>2</sub> e	CO <sub>2</sub>	N <sub>2</sub> O	CH <sub>4</sub>	HFCs	PFCs	SF <sub>6</sub>	Unit
Purchased Electricity (State Emissions)	2,047	1,970	0.1681	1.1768				metric tons
<b>SCOPE 2 TOTAL</b>	<b>2,047</b>	<b>1,970</b>	<b>0.17</b>	<b>1.18</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>metric tons</b>

Scope 3	CO <sub>2</sub> e	CO <sub>2</sub>	N <sub>2</sub> O	CH <sub>4</sub>	HFCs	PFCs	SF <sub>6</sub>	Unit
Travel: Air	576	571	0.0181	0.0158				metric tons
Travel: Vehicle	0	0	0.0000	0.0000				metric tons
Employee Commute	973	969	0.0110	0.0488				metric tons
Transmission Loss from Electricity	123	118	0.0101	0.0706				metric tons
Waste (only calculated in MTCO <sub>2</sub> e)	-924							metric tons
<b>SCOPE 3 TOTAL</b>	<b>748</b>	<b>1,658</b>	<b>0.04</b>	<b>0.14</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>metric tons</b>

2020 Emissions Totals	CO <sub>2</sub> e	/FTE	/MM Sq Ft	/MM \$ Rev	Unit
Own Source	10,707	5.86	4,972	61	metric tons
Scope 3	748	0.41	347	4	metric tons
<b>Total</b>	<b>11,455</b>	<b>6.27</b>	<b>5,319</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>metric tons</b>

### Emissions Breakdown



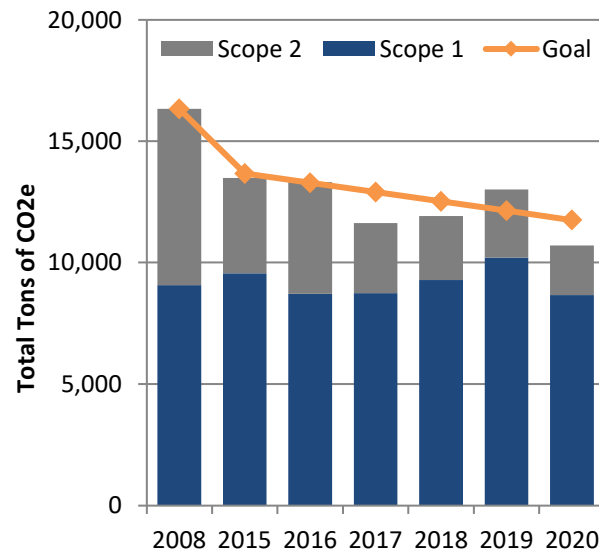
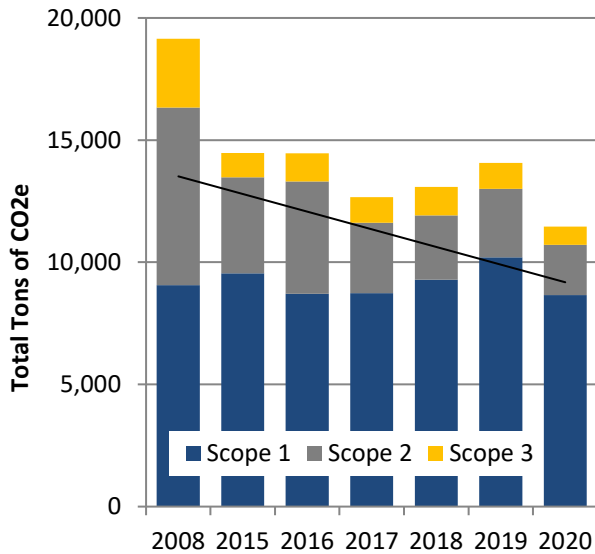
# Annual Emissions Report

2020 Report 10/21/2020 17:34



## Bowdoin College

### Annual Trends



Historical Data and Future Goals								
Scope 1	2008	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	Units
Stationary, On-site Fuel Combustion	8,660	9,111	7,984	8,092	8,575	9,112	8,098	metric tons
Vehicle Use	340	435	445	442	455	367	361	metric tons
Fugitive Refrigerants	62	4	276	205	254	717	201	metric tons
<b>SCOPE 1 TOTAL</b>	<b>9,062</b>	<b>9,550</b>	<b>8,705</b>	<b>8,739</b>	<b>9,284</b>	<b>10,197</b>	<b>8,659</b>	metric tons
<b>Scope 2</b>								
Purchased Electricity	7,264	3,929	4,600	2,881	2,630	2,815	2,047	metric tons
<b>SCOPE 2 TOTAL</b>	<b>7,264</b>	<b>3,929</b>	<b>4,600</b>	<b>2,881</b>	<b>2,630</b>	<b>2,815</b>	<b>2,047</b>	metric tons
<b>Scope 3</b>								
Travel	534	630	696	646	724	692	576	metric tons
Employee Commute	1,722	1,014	1,243	1,209	1,373	1,259	973	metric tons
Transmission Loss from Electricity	464	236	276	173	158	169	123	metric tons
Waste	108	-883	-1,058	-978	-1,082	-1,061	-924	metric tons
<b>SCOPE 3 TOTAL</b>	<b>2,828</b>	<b>997</b>	<b>1,157</b>	<b>1,051</b>	<b>1,173</b>	<b>1,059</b>	<b>748</b>	metric tons
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>19,153</b>	<b>14,476</b>	<b>14,461</b>	<b>12,671</b>	<b>13,087</b>	<b>14,070</b>	<b>11,455</b>	metric tons
<b>OWN-SOURCE TOTAL</b>	<b>16,326</b>	<b>13,479</b>	<b>13,304</b>	<b>11,620</b>	<b>11,914</b>	<b>13,011</b>	<b>10,707</b>	metric tons
<b>OWN-SOURCE GOAL</b>	<b>16,326</b>	<b>13,659</b>	<b>13,278</b>	<b>12,897</b>	<b>12,516</b>	<b>12,135</b>	<b>11,754</b>	metric tons

**Emission Goals:** See Bowdoin's Blueprint For Carbon Neutrality In 2020 Dated October 16, 2009



## Emissions Definitions

Global Warming Potential (GWP):	Each chemical has a different impact on global warming. For example, once in the atmosphere, some chemicals last for longer periods of time or are better at reflecting heat. In order to account for these varying effects, a unique GWP is assigned to each chemical such that more harmful chemicals are given higher values. Carbon dioxide serves as a reference, with a GWP of 1. These values are international standards, taken from the Fifth Assessment Report by the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change.
CO <sub>2</sub> :	Carbon dioxide, GWP = 1. CO <sub>2</sub> is the most common type of carbon emission. It comes mostly from fossil fuel combustion.
N <sub>2</sub> O:	Nitrous oxide, GWP = 265. Industrial production and the energy industry typically have the most significant nitrous oxide emissions.
CH <sub>4</sub> :	Methane, GWP = 28. Most methane emissions are the result of waste management and agriculture processes.
HFCs:	Hydrofluorocarbons, GWP varies by type. HFCs are a family of different chemicals defined by carbon chains saturated with multiple bonds to hydrogen or fluorine. Mostly used as refrigerants, HFCs have a strong impact on the atmosphere with GWPs that range from 12 to 12,000.
PFCs:	PFCs are a family of different chemicals defined by carbon chains saturated exclusively by fluorine molecules. The semiconductor and aluminum production industry account for the majority of PFCs, and virtually all emissions come from industrial sources. While PFC emissions are small, they have GWPs from 5,700 to 22,200.
SF <sub>6</sub> :	Sulfur hexafluoride, GWP = 23,900. Mostly used in magnesium production, SF <sub>6</sub> is also widely used as a dielectric in high voltage systems.
CO <sub>2</sub> e:	Carbon dioxide equivalents. This value represents the amount of each emission multiplied by its GWP. Carbon dioxide equivalents allow for potentially different emissions to be compared by using a single value that accounts for the weighted impact of each emission type.
Unit:	A metric ton is 1000 kilograms, approximately 2,204.62 pounds.

## Modeling Assumptions

Emissions from distillate oil use were calculated using emissions factors from data of No.2 oil.

In some cases, mobile fuel combustion was reported in dollars. If so, the dollar amount was divided by the average fuel price of the given year and region to determine the physical amount of fuel consumed.

Bowdoin provided gasoline/diesel usage for college owned vehicles. This number was directly converted to CO<sub>2</sub> emissions. Employee commuting distances were first found by comparing workplace location to paycheck zip code and dividing this distance by national carpooling averages. Emissions from college sponsored air travel was determined via the dollar amount spent on airline tickets.

Emissions factors for alternative fuels vary considerably by fuel type and engine. For ethanol and biodiesel mixes, the percent ethanol and biodiesel is assumed to contribute no net CO<sub>2</sub> from combustion. CNG data came from DOE studies "Barwood Cab Fleet Study" and "Super Shuttle CNG Fleet Study." Ethanol data came from DOE study "Ohio's First Ethanol Powered Fleet."

Waste emissions were calculated using factors from EPA's WARM model. The WARM model's emissions factors take into account the life-cycle emissions associated with waste materials, thus all of the emissions are not necessarily contained within the current inventory period. Additionally, because in some cases waste sequesters carbon that might normally be released into the atmosphere, negative emissions factors were employed. This is consistent with the EPA's model.

Emissions from purchased, electrical power were calculated using state emissions factors in EPA eGRID.

## Emissions Categories

Emissions were divided into three scopes, using guidelines from California Climate Action Registry, General Reporting Protocol. An organization is most responsible for Scope 1 emissions because their own activities directly cause these. Scopes 2 and 3 are still significant sources of emissions, however, these emissions often are the physical consequence of a third party obligated to the college in some way. For example, a college's use of electrical energy does not generate any direct, on-site emissions if electricity is purchased from a utility. However, the production of energy does produce significant emissions, and the ultimate consumer has some accountability for these production emissions.

Although almost every major reporting scheme requires that Scope 2 emissions be reported, Scope 3 emissions are oftentimes optional for the sake of expediency and accounting difficulty.

## References

- California Climate Action Registry "General Reporting Protocol" v3.1, found online at <<http://www.climateregistry.org/tools/protocols/>>.
- EPA's "United States Greenhouse Gas Inventory," including reporting years 1990-1997, 1990-2000, 1990-2013, found online at <[http://www.epa.gov/climatechange/emissions/usgginv\\_archive.html](http://www.epa.gov/climatechange/emissions/usgginv_archive.html)>.
- "Barwood Cab Fleet Study" and "Super Shuttle CNG Fleet Study," found online at <[http://www1.eere.energy.gov/vehiclesandfuels/avta/light\\_duty/afv/emissions\\_description.html](http://www1.eere.energy.gov/vehiclesandfuels/avta/light_duty/afv/emissions_description.html)>.
- EPA's "Waste Reduction Model," Version 13 (March 2015) found online at <<http://www3.epa.gov/warm/index.html>>.
- Airlines for America "Fares Per Mile" found online at <<http://airlines.org/data/a4a-monthly-passenger-and-cargo-yield-fares-per-mile/>>.
- NREL's "Ohio's First Ethanol Fuel, Light Duty Fleet," found online at <<http://www.eere.energy.gov/afdc/pdfs/ol>>