

ACTION ON CLIMATE CHANGE

The Government of Canada is taking an aggressive approach to climate change that achieves environmental and economic benefits for all Canadians. Take a look at recent progress that the Government has made to address climate change.

2010

April	Invested \$500 million in research to help reduce greenhouse gases from building construction.
September	Released final regulations requiring 5% renewable fuel content in gasoline.
October	Joined the REDD+ partnership, which aims to reduce emissions from deforestation and forest degradation.

October	Announced \$400 million in fast-start financing to help developing countries reduce greenhouse gas emissions and adapt to climate change.
October	Finalized regulations to reduce greenhouse gas emissions from passenger cars and light trucks model years 2011-2016.
December	Supported to Cancun Agreement outcomes at the COP 16 climate change conference.

2011

April	The Boundary Dam carbon capture and storage project in Saskatchewan to which the Government of Canada provided \$240 million, is approved for construction.
August	Announced \$281 million to support the development of clean energy technologies.
September	Announced \$195 million to improve energy efficiency in Canadian buildings and industries.
November	Committed \$148.8 million to help address the impacts of climate change on Canadians.

November	Committed \$600.8 million over five years to Government of Canada climate change and clean air programs.
December	Announced a total package of \$1.2 billion in fast-start financing to support developing countries.
December	Supported the <i>Durban Platform for Enhanced Action</i> at COP 17, which moves us toward an international climate change treaty by 2020 that includes all major emitters.

2012

February	Launched the Climate and Clean Air Coalition to Reduce Short-Lived Climate Pollutants alongside international partners.
February	Joined the <i>Global Alliance for Clean Cookstoves</i> , which aims to reduce emissions of black carbon, a short-lived climate pollutant.
February	Provided \$10 million in fast-start financing to address short-lived climate pollutants.
June	Released Canada's Action Plan to Reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions from Aviation.

September	Released final regulations to reduce GHG emissions from coal-fired electricity generation.
November	Released proposed regulations to reduce GHG emissions from passenger cars and light trucks model years 2017 and beyond.
December	Supported the <i>Doha Climate Gateway</i> at the COP 18 climate change conference.

2013

February	In its first year, membership to the Climate and Clean Air Coalition to Reduce Short-Lived Climate Pollutants grew from six founding countries to over 50 members.
February	Released final regulations to reduce GHG emissions from heavy-duty vehicles such as full-size pick-ups, semi trucks, garbage trucks and buses.

April	Announced an additional \$10 million to the Climate and Clean Air Coalition to Reduce Short-Lived Climate Pollutants
April	Between 2005 and 2011, the economy grew by 8.4% while Canadian GHG emissions decreased by 4.8%.