

July 2023 Environmental Defense Fund Report: Turning Climate Commitments into Results



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The Environmental Defense Fund has issued a July 2023 report titled:

Turning Climate Commitments into Results: An Update on State-level Climate Targets ("Report")

The *Report's* authors include:

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The *Report* is stated to undertake an updated analysis of the greenhouse gas emissions projections for each of the United States states and territories that has committed to reduce their emissions pursuant to the U.S. Nationally Determined Contribution submitted under Article 4 of the Paris Climate Agreement.

Commitments include:

- At least 26% to 28% by 2025
- At least 50% to 52% by 2030

These percentages are compared to 2005 levels.

The referenced states are estimated to include approximately 41% of total United states greenhouse gas emissions.

Key components of the *Report* include:

- Federal Investment in Climate Action
- Modeling Federal Climate Investments
- The Critical Role of States
- Evaluating Progress Toward State 2025 and 2030 Greenhouse Gas Targets
- The Importance of Rapid Action
- Evaluating Cumulative Greenhouse Gas Emissions Through 2030
- Impact on United States Emissions
- Recommendations
- Setting Targets at the State Level
- The Right Policy Toolkit
- State-by-state 2025 and 2030 Target Data
- State Commitments to Reduce Economy-Wide Greenhouse Gas Emissions
- Projected Emissions and Uncertainties

- Adjustments to Rhodium Group U.S. Climate Service Data
- Methodology for Estimating Greenhouse Gas Emissions Targets
- Comparing GWP Values
- Comparing Target Trajectories for Short- and Long-Lived Climate Pollutants

A copy of the *Report* can be downloaded [here](#).