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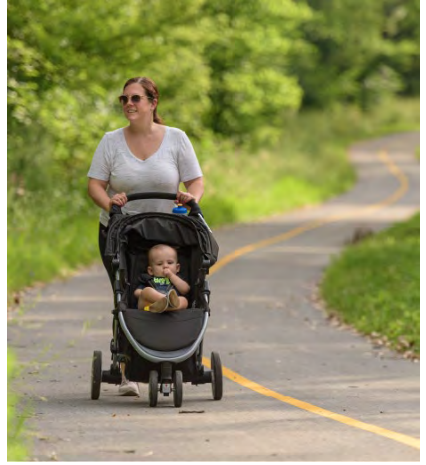
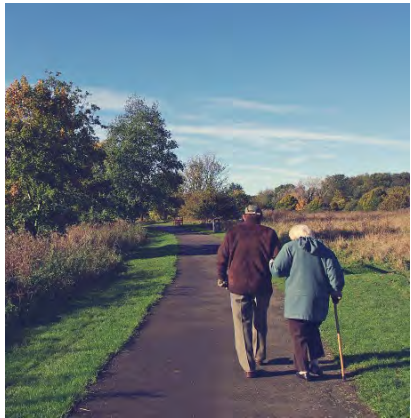
Climate Action Plan

Greater Chicago area





Metropolitan Mayors Caucus
Environment Committee

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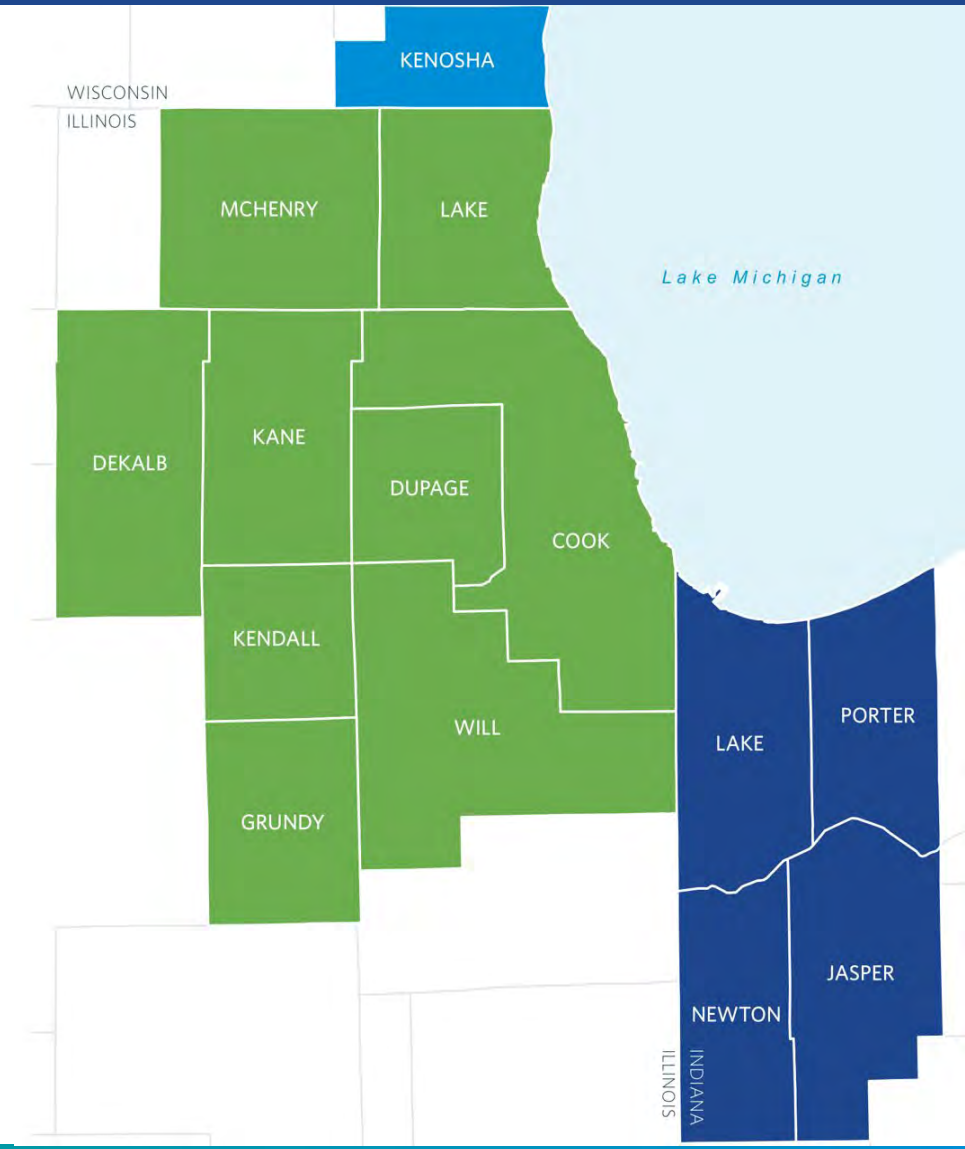
Climate Pollution Grants Program (CPRG)

Metropolitan Mayors Caucus in partnership with CMAP and NIRPC

Geography: Chicago metropolitan statistical area (MSA)

Deliverables:

- ✓ Priority Climate Action Plan
- Comprehensive Climate Action Plan
- Status report



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Comprehensive climate action plan overview

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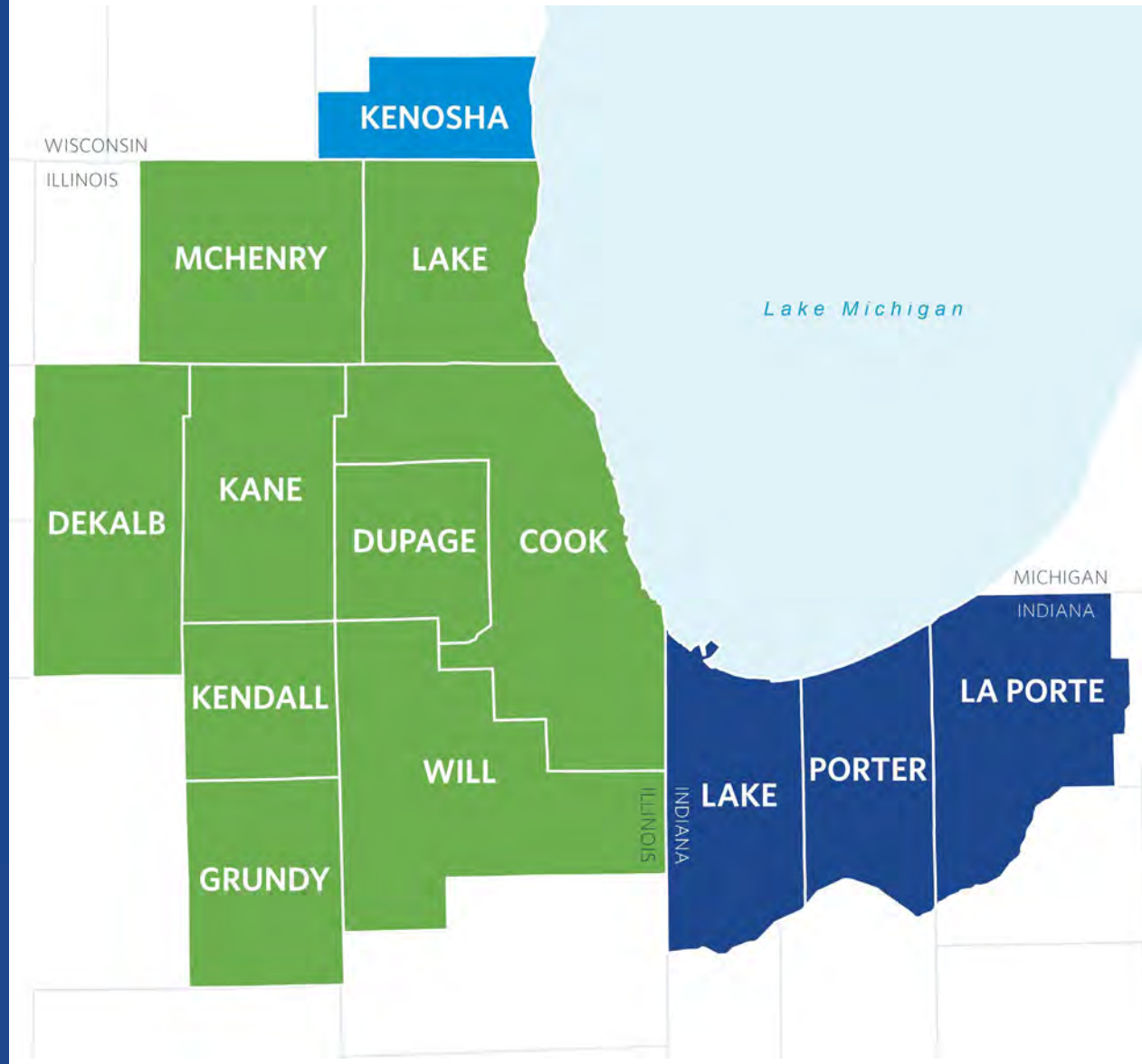
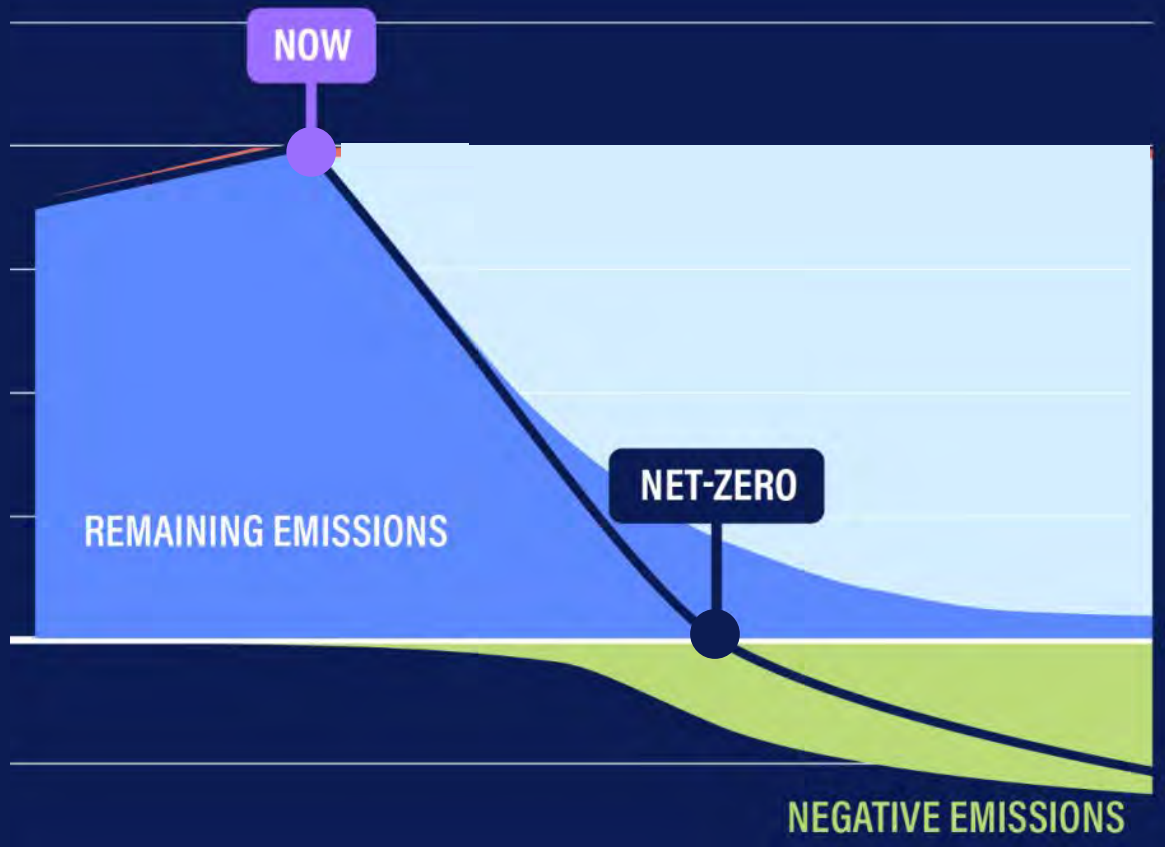
Revised planning area

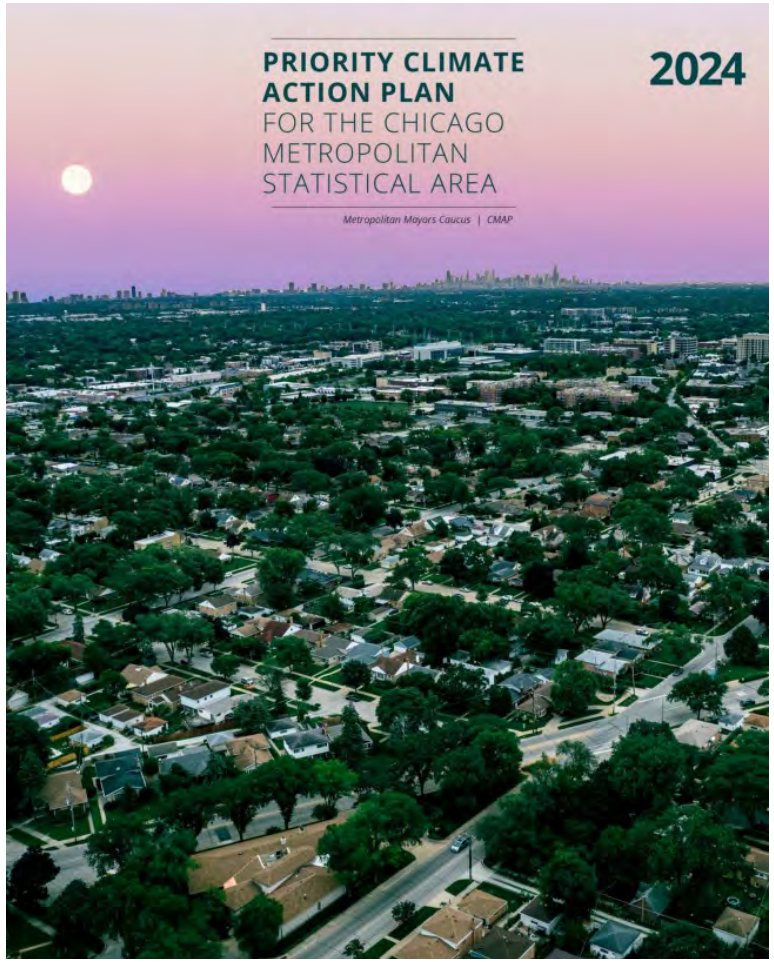
13 counties
9.5 million people
358 municipalities



Plan goal: reach net-zero emissions by 2050



We will build on previous work

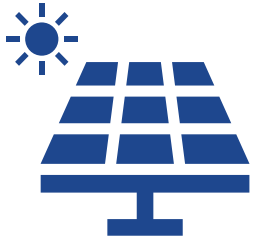


We will need all strategies

Electric vehicles

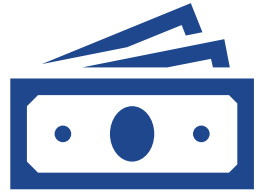
Energy efficiency

Building electrification



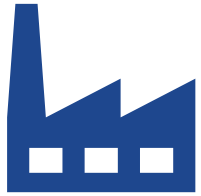
Renewable energy

Fuel standards



Pricing and incentives

Transit, walking, and biking



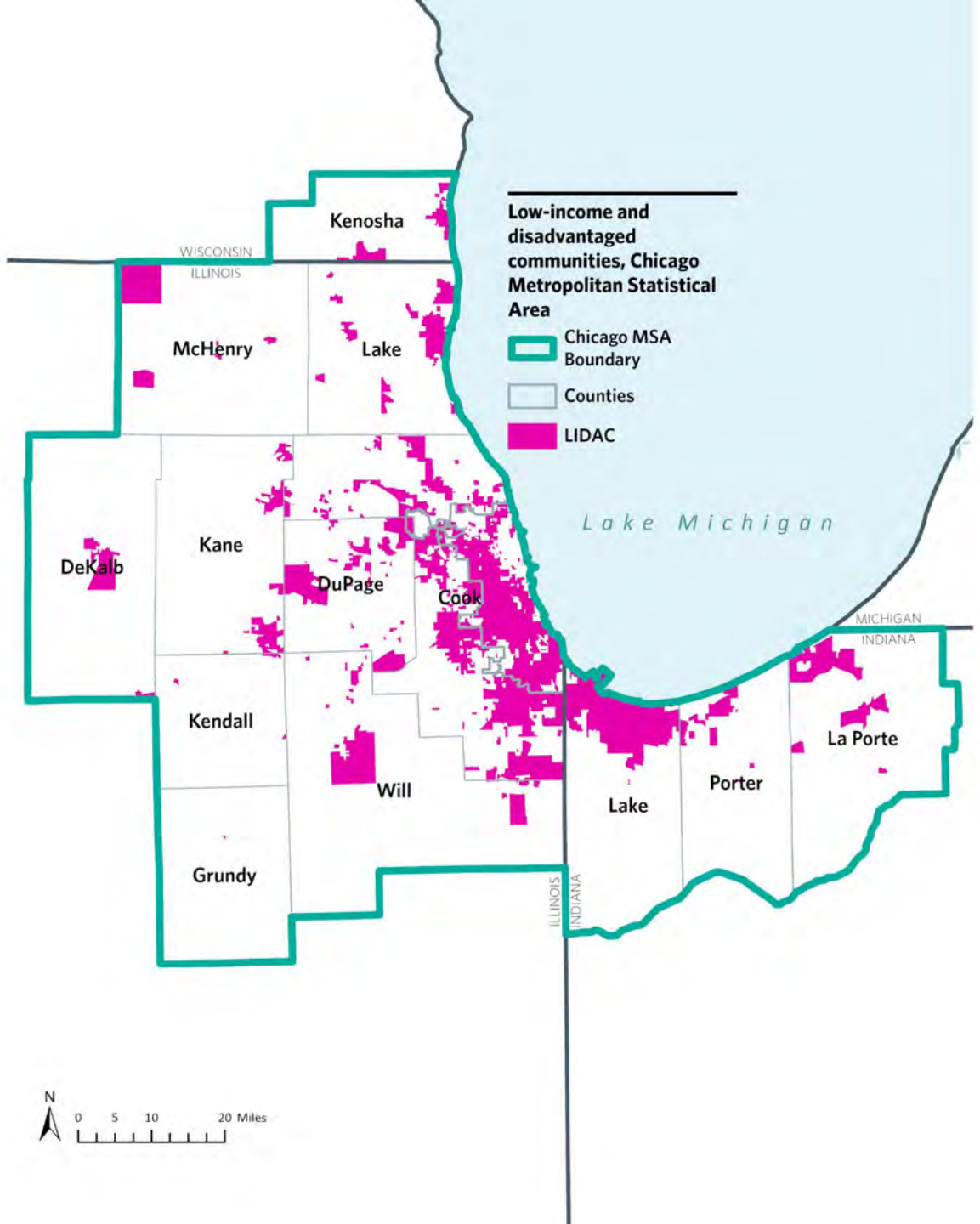
Clean industry practices

Land use and development

Carbon sequestration

We will focus on the most overburdened communities

- Justice40 Initiative
- Based on Climate and Economic Justice Screening Tool (CEJST) and EJ Screen
- Inform community engagement, strategy development, and co-benefits analysis



Guiding principles to develop the plan

Commit to zero:

Embrace transformative strategies

Center equity:

Seek to reduce existing disparities

Plan for action:

Prioritize actions that move us forward

Grow a clean economy:

Harness economic opportunities of climate action

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What are the steps to create the plan?

Create greenhouse gas inventory (complete)

Identify strategies to reduce emissions

Estimate how strategies impact emissions

Analyze how strategies impact communities

Complete the plan (by fall 2025)

How are we engaging stakeholders?

- Steering Committee
- Working Groups
- Existing Committees
- Workshops and Focus Groups
- Public engagement activities in low-income and disadvantaged communities


Questions and comments

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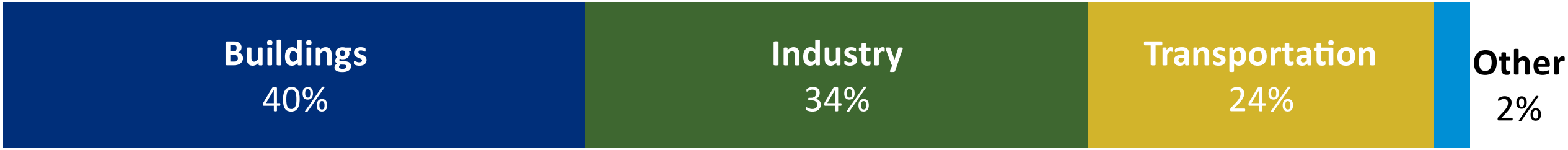
Greenhouse gas emissions

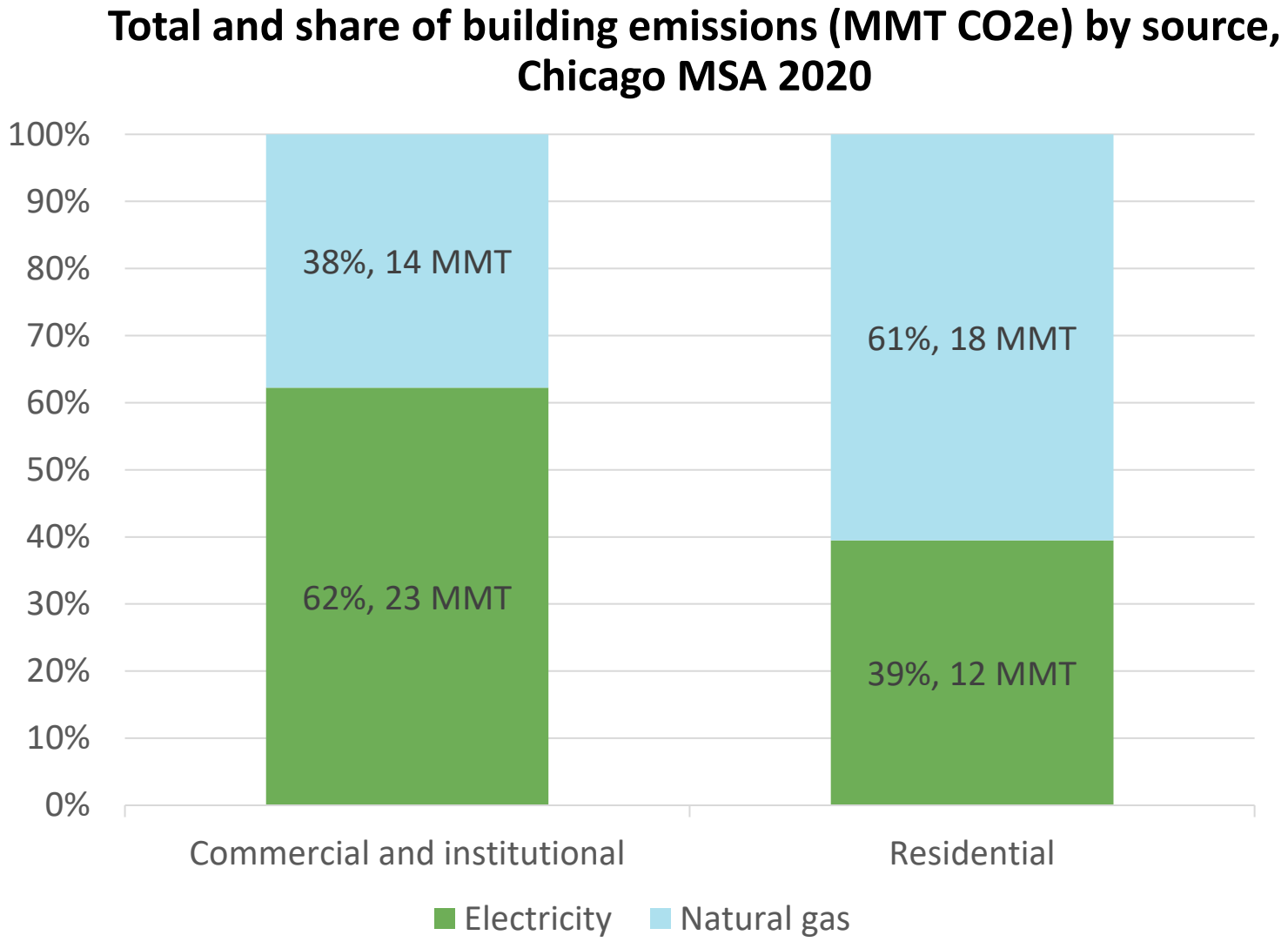
Where are emissions coming from?



Building emissions by subsectors

Commercial and institutional buildings: more emissions from electricity usage

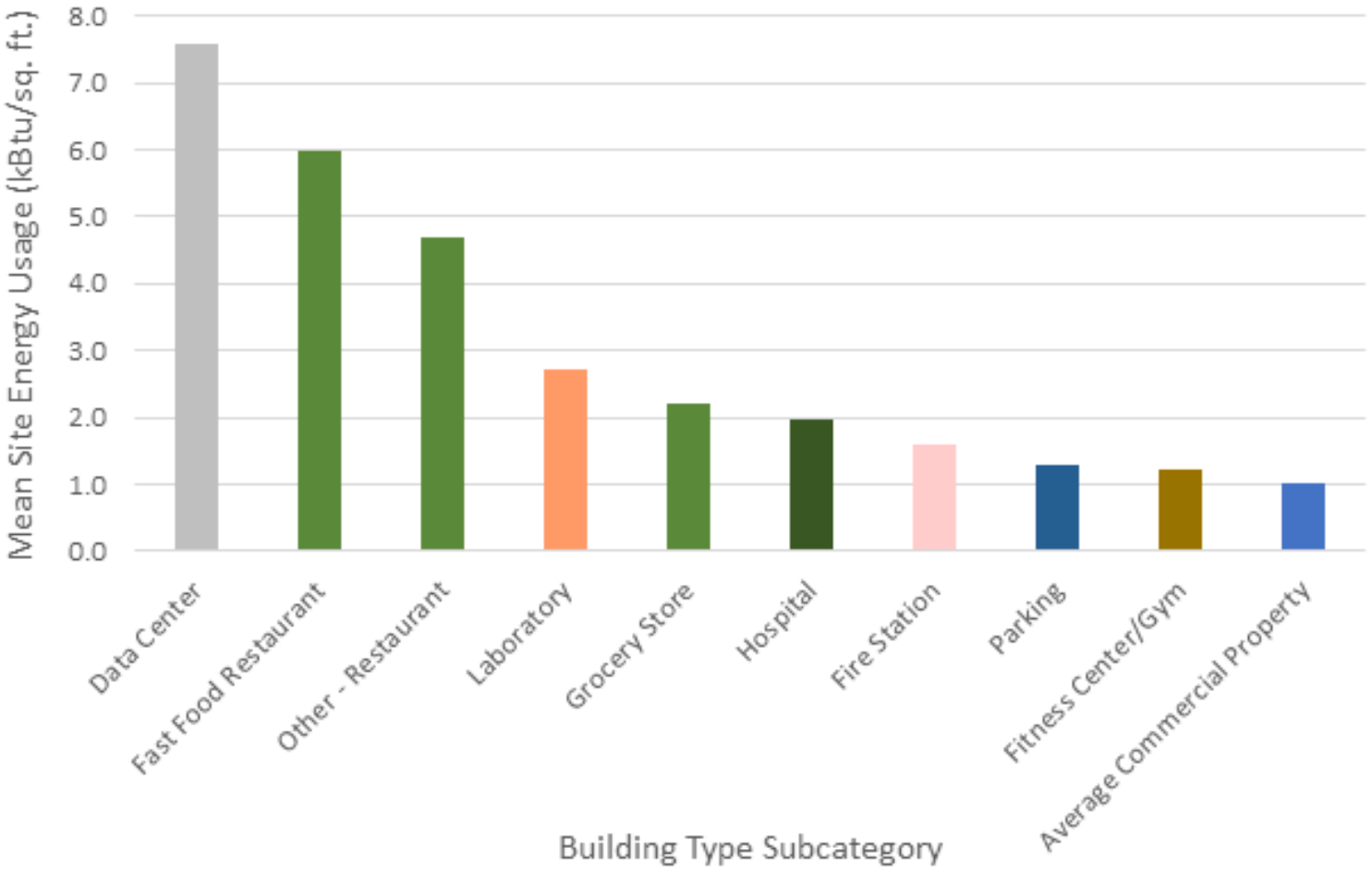
Residential buildings: more emissions from natural gas usage



Data from USEPA's National Emissions Inventory (NEI)

Commercial and institutional energy usage

Energy intensive commercial property types by mean energy usage per square foot, 2018-2022



Data centers are 8x more energy intensive than the average commercial building

Fast food restaurants are 6x more energy intensive than the average commercial building

80% of commercial building square footage in the MSA is used for retail, office, or education

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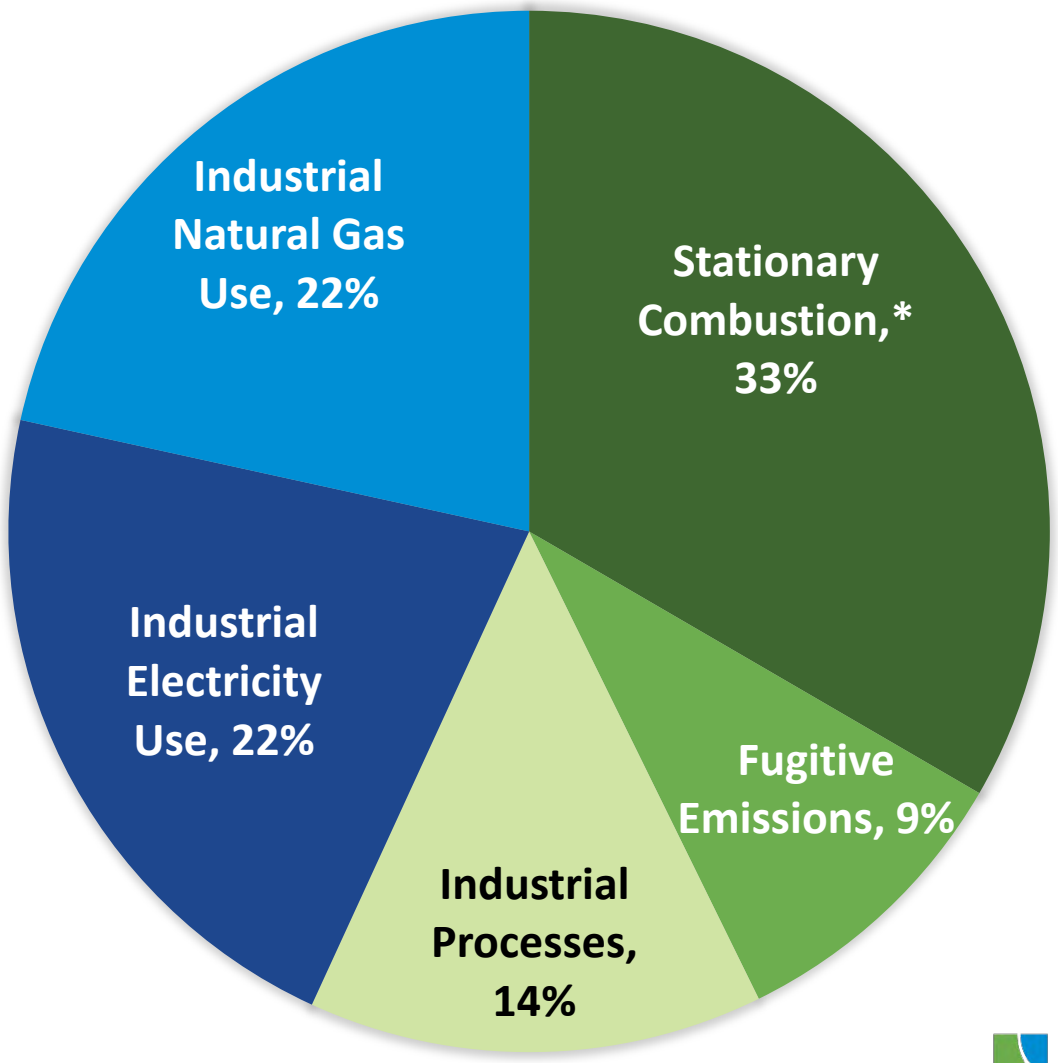
Industrial emissions

Share of industrial GHG emissions by emission type, Chicago MSA 2020



*Excluding natural gas

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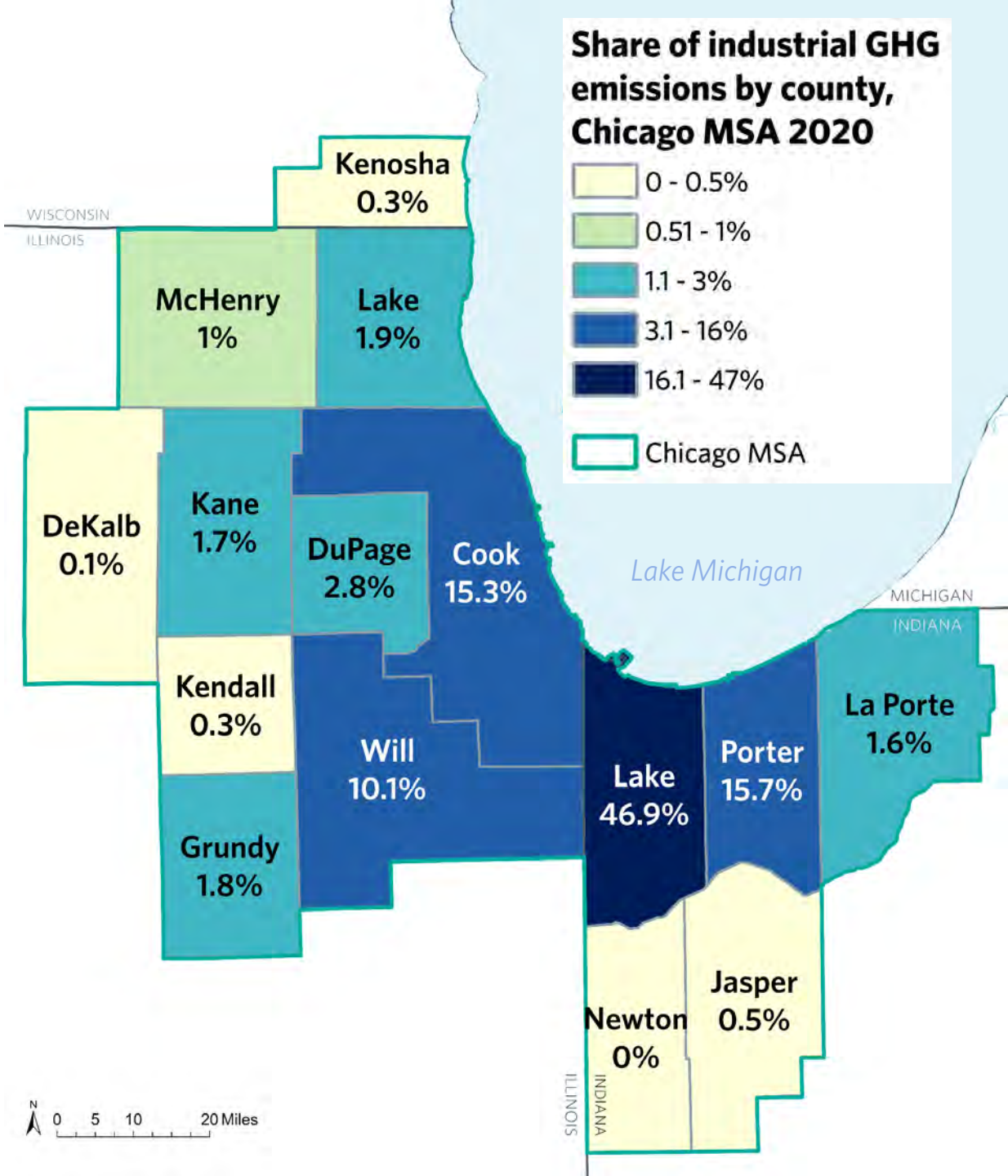
Industrial emissions by county

- Three counties account for over 78% of emissions
- Regional concentration of industrial activities around navigable water, freight transportation, and intermodal facilities



Transportation emissions

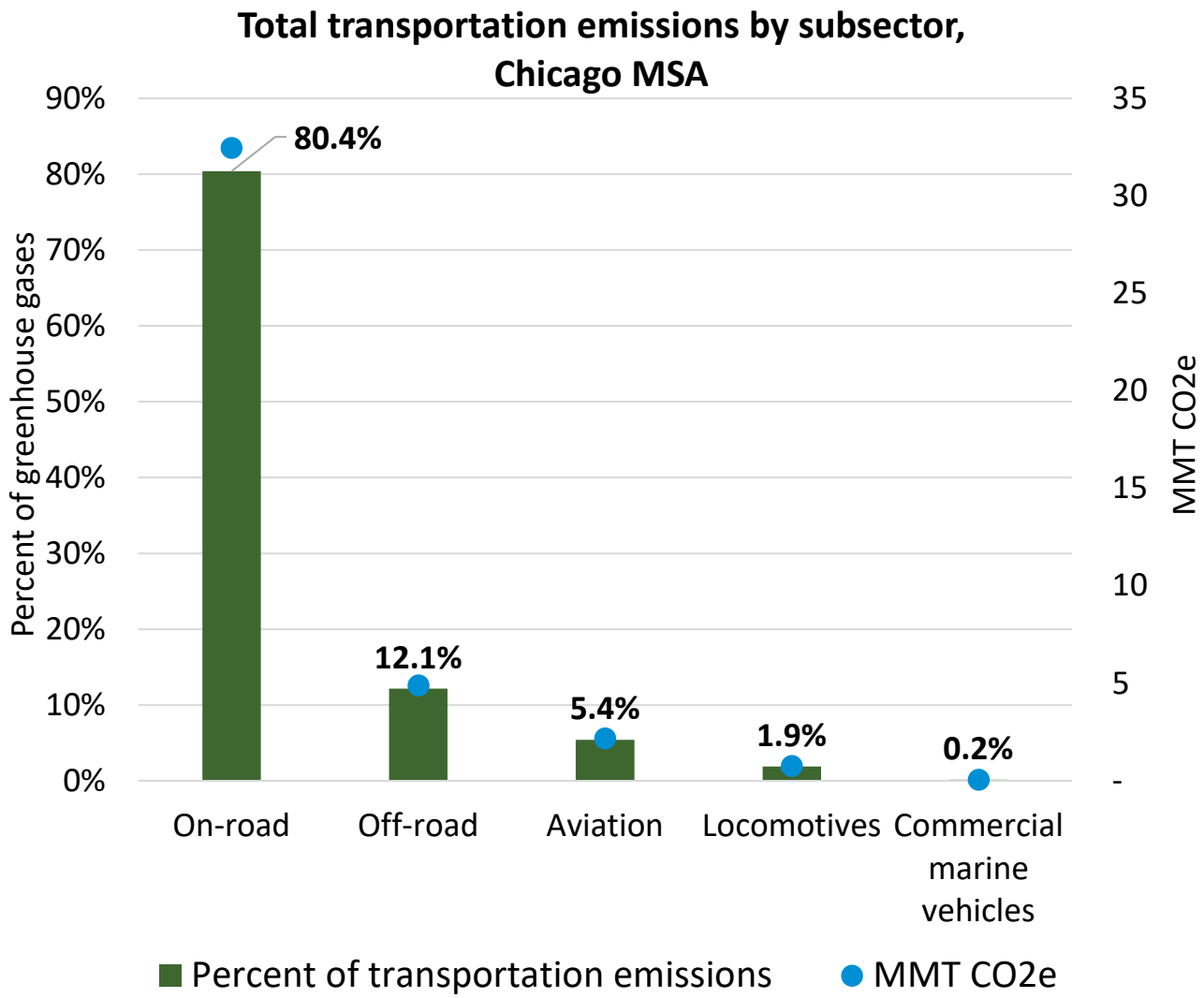
On-road: Emissions from vehicles on roads

Off-road: Emissions from off-road vehicles and equipment

Aviation: Emissions from aircrafts during landing, takeoff, or at facilities

Locomotives: Emissions from freight and passenger trains

Marine: Emissions commercial marine vessel diesel engines



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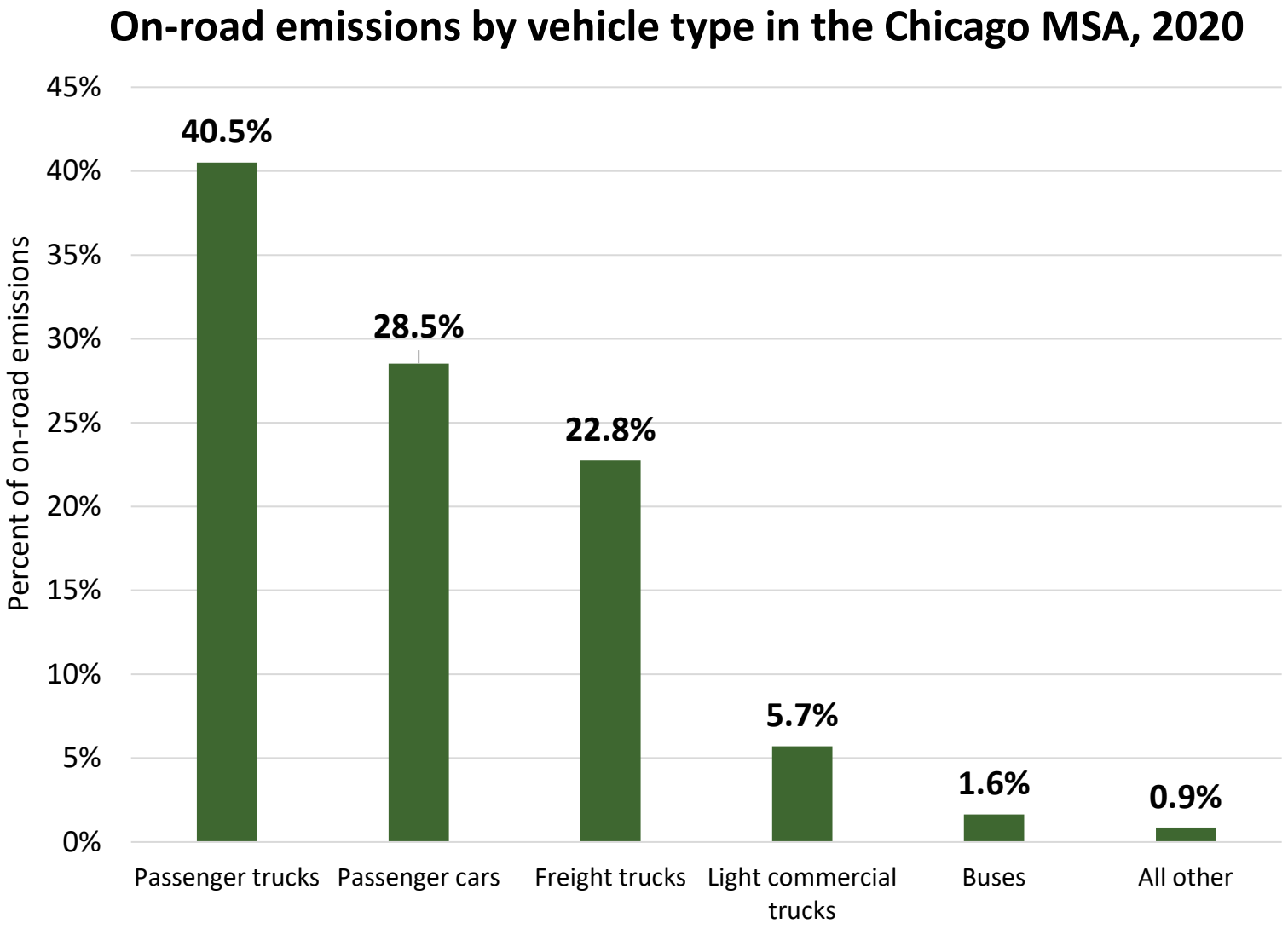
On-road transportation emissions



Nearly 70% of on-road emissions come from passenger trucks and cars

Over 28% of emissions come from freight and light commercial trucks

Remainder comes from buses, motorcycles, motor homes, and refuse trucks

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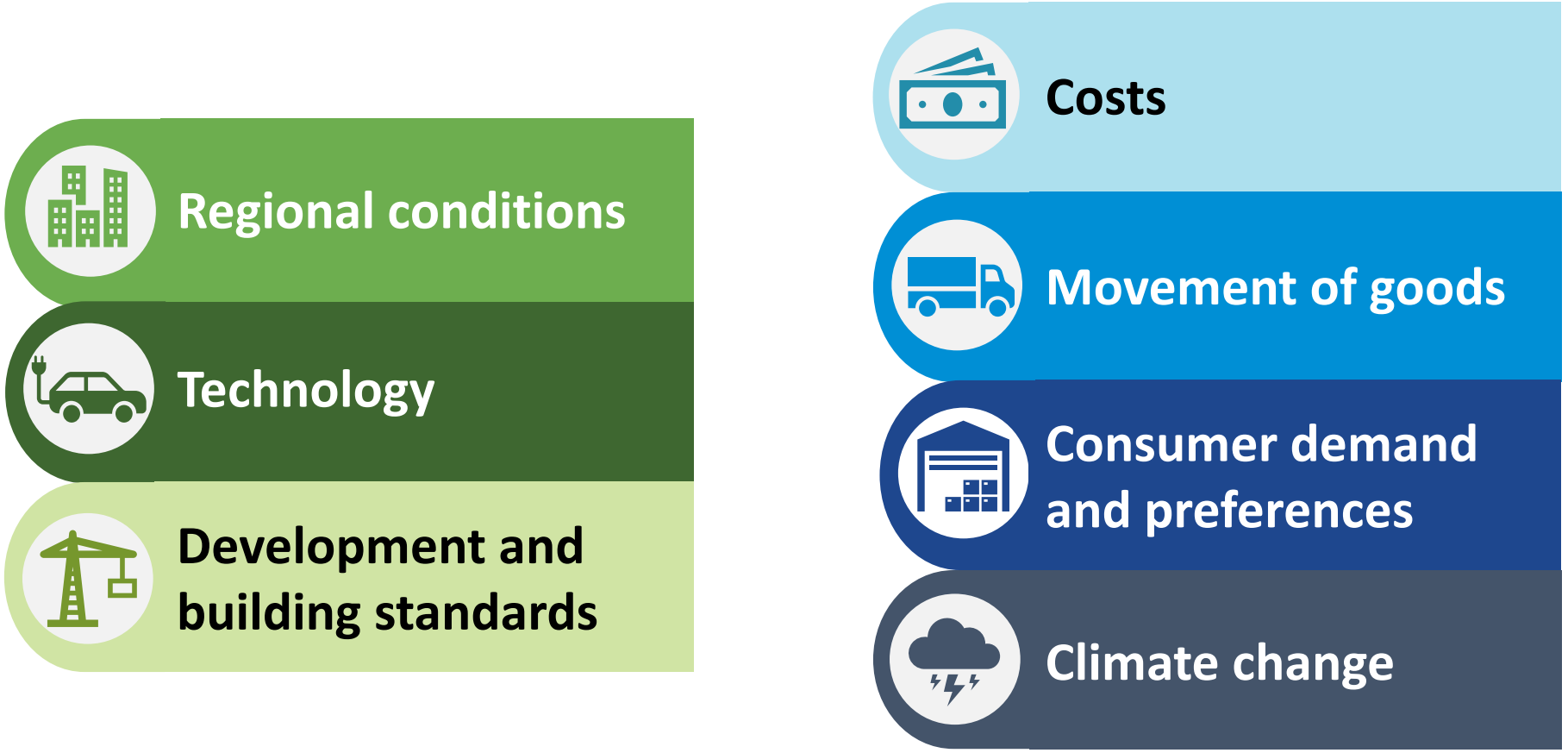
What drives emissions?



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Discussion

Using Mentimeter

Discussion questions

What sources of emissions are most concerning to you?

Which climate actions is your municipality advancing?

Which climate actions would you like to advance?

Which of these co-benefits are priorities for residents?

What implementation challenges have you faced?

How can the plan help your community reduce emissions?

How can this plan have regional impact?

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Thank you!

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