### A look at the numbers...



Almost half of America's electricity is produced by burning coalthe country's greatest contributor to

global warming.

Amount of electricity wind power could provide compared to what the country requires today, according to a study by the US Department of Energy.



Today in the Appalachian region, more than

## 450 mountains

(an area estimated to be larger than 800 square miles)

have been destroyed by mountaintop removal coal mining.

Amount of all new electricity generation projected to be from solar photovoltaic panels (PVs) by 2025.

million

New jobs that could be created by realizing our solar and wind potential in the US.

Today we waste about the same amount of energy as we use, so we produce twice the amount that we actually use.



Number of power plants worth of electricity that California saved through conservation efforts when faced with energy crunches in the earlier part of the decade.

The non-profit Apollo Alliance estimates that a

federal investment in energy-efficient retrofit and conservation programs

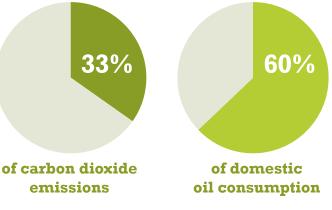
> would result in more than new jobs

would reduce energy use in new and existing buildings by



Our driving is a major factor in climate change. The US transportation sector is responsible for:

#### Exemplifying the power of small acts, 84% of energy saved in California (when faced with an energy crisis) came from **simple behavioral modifications such as:**



### 10.4 billion

Gallons of gas we would save if every American used public transportation one day a week instead of driving.

Future goal for average US fuel economy. A 100 mpg fleet would eliminate the need to import foreign oil and drop domestic production by 800 million barrels/year, while saving every household \$2,700 a year on gas.

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#### **Numbers Pages Notes**

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