

WWF'S EARTH HOUR LIST

BACKGROUNDER Monday, March 21, 2011

#2 - Toronto, Ontario

Score: 7.2/10

Toronto holds second place on The Earth Hour List. WWF congratulates Toronto on its leadership on climate change and looks forward to many improvements the city can continue to make.

Highlights of Toronto's Activities

- The Better Buildings Partnership provides financial support for energy efficient retrofits and for the construction of buildings with low emission profiles.
- Toronto is home to the first city-based wind turbine in North America, which was erected in 2003. The turbine supplies enough energy for 250 homes and is an icon for action on climate change.
- The Toronto Transit Commission runs hybrid diesel-electric buses, which use less fuel and produce lower emissions. The TTC also uses biodiesel for many of these buses.
- LiveGreen Toronto is a five-year, \$20-million program to promote and support actions from residents and community groups to reduce their emissions, clean their air and protect the climate.
- Toronto is currently collaborating with 10 other cities in the Great Lakes region to develop an international, city-level policy on climate change.

Additional information

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