

Loyola's Carbon Footprint

FY 2022

(July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022)



What is a Carbon Footprint?

A **carbon footprint** is a measurement of an organization's impact on the environment.

The footprint measures the amount of greenhouse gases emitted annually by the **activities of the organization**.

Greenhouse gases are the cause of global climate change, one of the most important issues of our times.

Loyola University Chicago is a signatory of the Climate Leadership's **Carbon Commitment (formerly the ACUPCC)** committing us to address global climate change by tracking our carbon footprint and taking actions towards climate neutrality.



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Loyola's primary contributors to greenhouse gas emissions are:

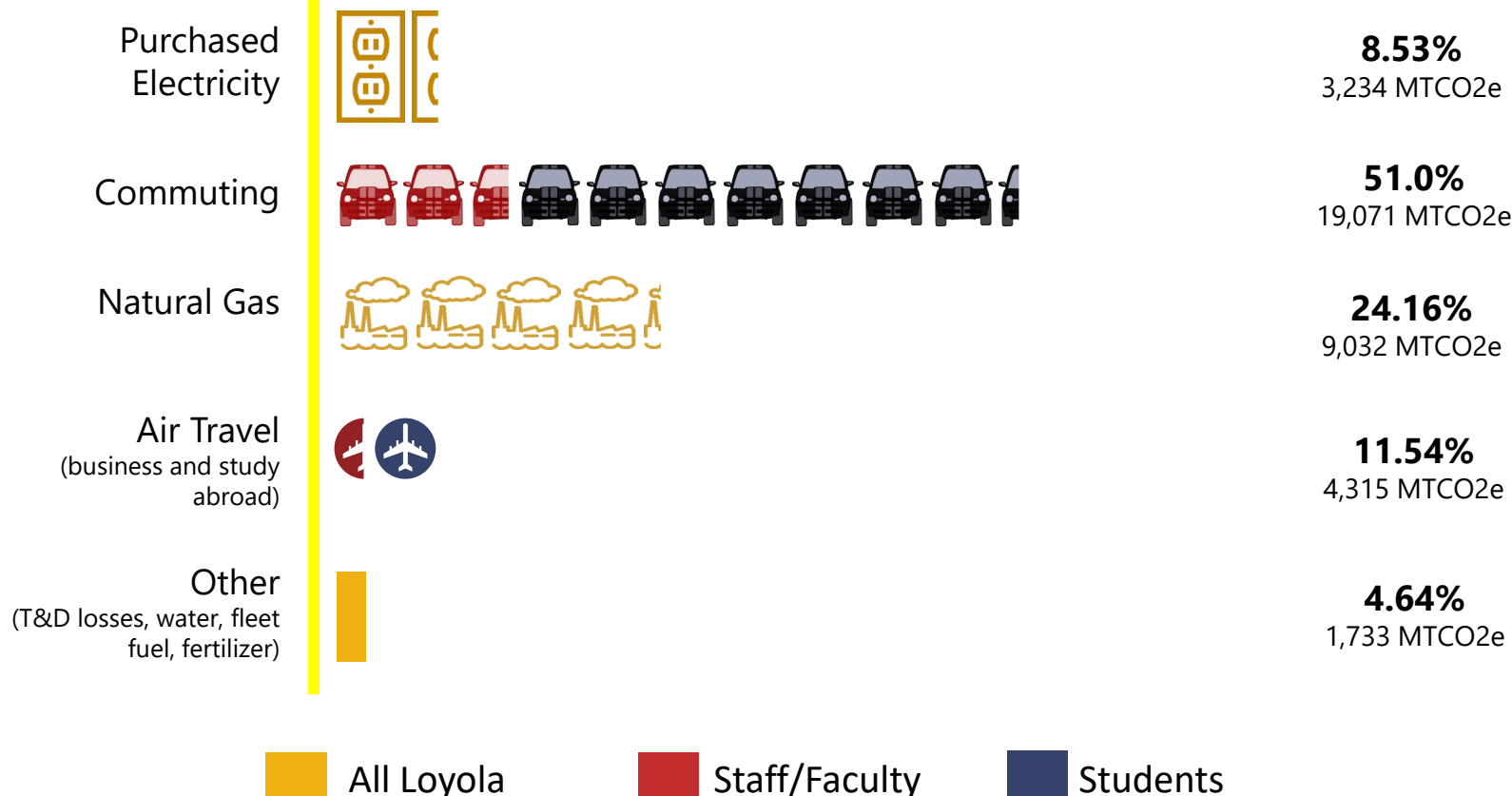
- Purchased electricity,
- Natural gas burned on site,
- Research, study abroad, and business air travel, and
- Student and employee commuting.



Loyola's FY22 Net Carbon Footprint

Total emissions = 37,385 MTCO₂e

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*NOTE: This year's footprint includes Lakeside Campuses: Lake Shore and Water Tower
Icons are an estimate. See full emissions inventory for precise amounts and percentages.*

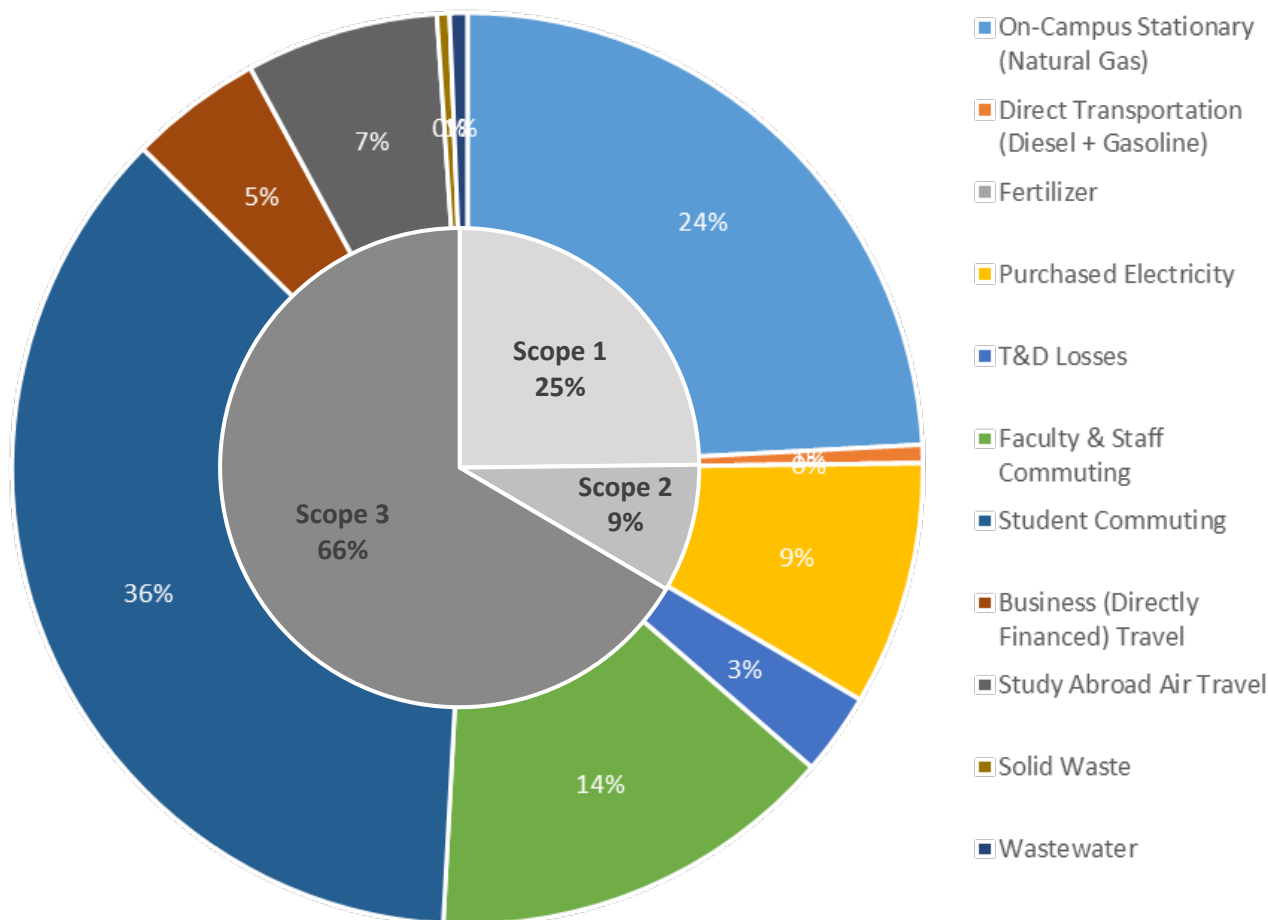


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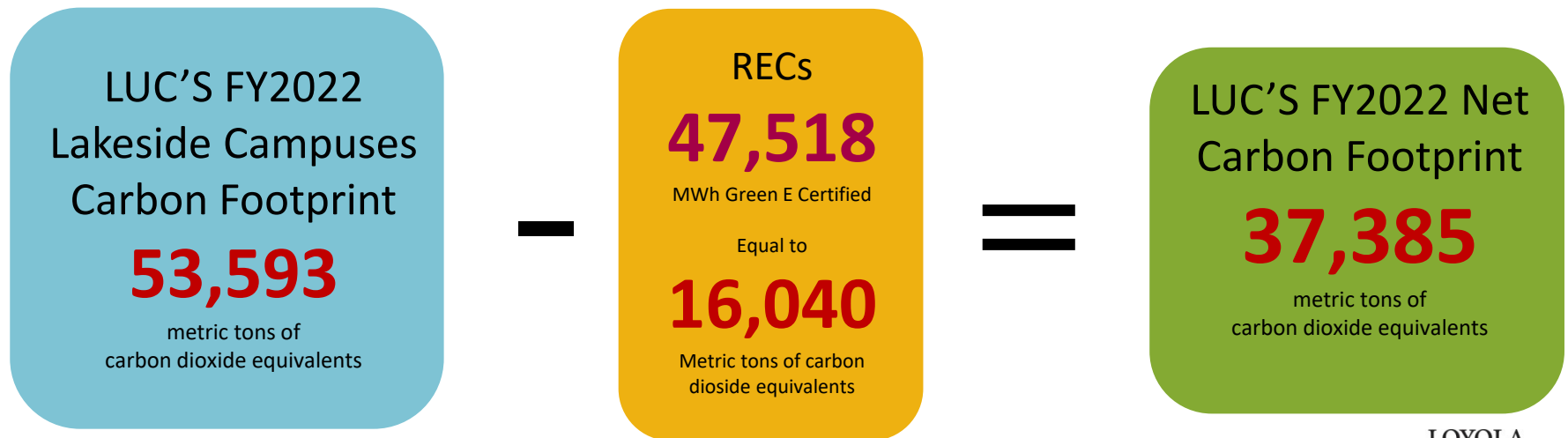
NOTE: Data in this chart is from the LUC custom GHG emissions calculator and may include minimal variations from SIMAP inventory calculations due to slight emissions factor differences



Offsets & Net Carbon Footprint

Carbon offsets that directly decrease Loyola's carbon footprint include

- Clean Energy in the form of Renewable Energy Credits (RECs) that Loyola purchases



Loyola University Chicago's
FY2022 Net Carbon Footprint of

37,385 metric tons of net carbon
dioxide equivalents

is equal to...

Did you know?

-  **86,469 barrels** of oil consumed OR
-  **4,206,706 gallons** of gasoline consumed OR
-  **206 railcars** of coal burned OR
-  **4,712 homes'** annual energy use

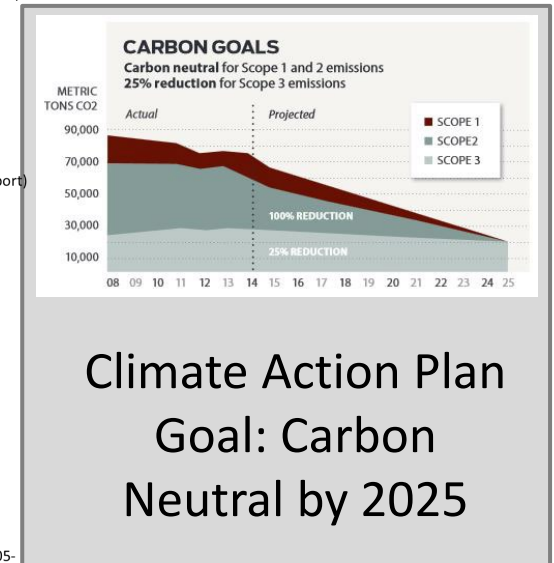
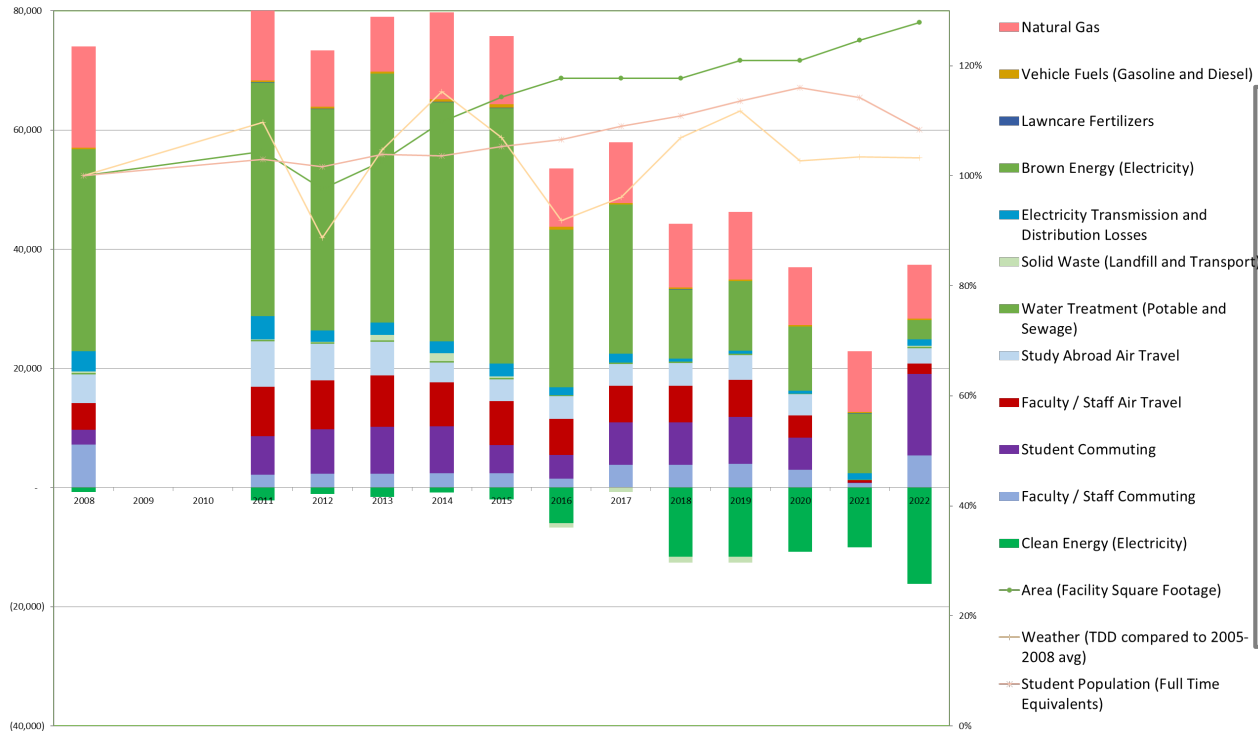
This could be replaced or “offset” by:

-  the carbon sequestered by **618,164 tree seedlings** grown for 10 years OR
-  **10.4 wind turbines** running for one year

Source: US EPA, Greenhouse Gas Equivalencies Calculator



Net Emissions Reductions



Climate Action Plan
Goal: Carbon
Neutral by 2025

Compared to a
2008 – 2012
annual average,
Loyola's Carbon
Footprint has
reduced* by:

29% in total
emissions,
44% per student,
43% by area

Including offsets;
49% in net
emissions,
56% per student,
60% by area

This equates to
only 2.5 metric
tons of CO2e for
every Loyola
student!

*NOTE: In order to keep consistency, this only reflects the emissions of the Lakeside Campuses (Lake Shore and Water Tower).
Please note FY20 and FY21 were impacted by the Covid-19 pandemic.

What you can do...

Five things you can do to reduce your personal carbon footprint:

1. **Turn off** lights and **unplug** electronics when not in use
2. Eat a low-carbon diet, **reduce or eliminate** red meat
3. Use **natural daylight** and **fresh air** when you can
4. Go **local**, especially where you work and what you eat
5. Choose **lower carbon modes** of transportation

Biking and Walking are better than Train,

Train is better than Bus,

Bus is better than Car,

Car is better than Plane

And talk about climate change with your friends, family, and colleagues.

SUSTAINABILITY
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Sustainability at Loyola is driven by our Jesuit tradition of social justice, our service to humanity, and our role as an institution of higher education.

It is embodied in an educational experience for our students and activities that seek to meet the needs of the present generation without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs.

We are committed to an inclusive process considering social, economic and environmental impacts, and exemplified in a transformative education for our students.

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