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Where Industry Creates Energy

Green Study Overview

Buffalo Niagara Enterprise

Economic Development Tools for a New Economy

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Why “Green” Industry?

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US Conference of Mayors estimated in 2006, green jobs in the Buffalo-Niagara region could rise from roughly 2,000 jobs to almost 16,000 jobs.

- Test preliminary BNE research
- Analyze existing supply chain
- Facilitate site selection in WNY



Project Overview

- RFP released – August, 2008
- Consultant selection – October, 2008
- Study kick off – November, 2008
- Study completed – Summer, 2009

Project Funding: National Grid

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Industry Sectors



Renewable Energies

- Wind
- Solar
- Hydrokinetic
- Geothermal
- Biomass
- Nuclear

Energy Efficiency

- Energy transmission & storage
- Green buildings
- Transportation
- Waste remediation/recycling



Buffalo Niagara Economy

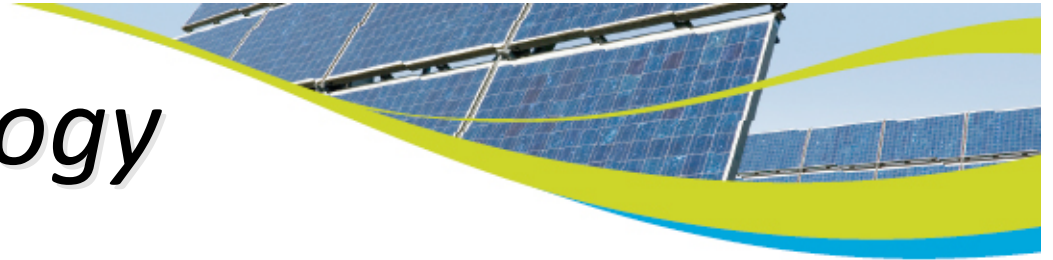
Autumn 2007 City Journal Magazine

Can Buffalo Ever Come Back? By *Edward L. Glaeser, Harvard Univ.*

Probably not—and government should stop bribing people to stay there. At the onset of the Great Depression, Buffalo had 573,000 inhabitants, making it the 13th-largest city in America. In the 75 years that followed, this once-mighty metropolis lost 55 percent of its population, a decline most dramatic in its blighted inner city but also apparent in its broader metropolitan area, one of the 20 most quickly deteriorating such regions in the nation. Twenty-seven percent of Buffalo's residents are poor, more than twice the national average. The median family income is just \$33,000, less than 60 percent of the nationwide figure of \$55,000. Buffalo's collapse—and that of other troubled upstate New York cities like Syracuse and Rochester—seems to cry out for a policy response.

Study Methodology

- Industry sector analysis
- Regional strengths
 - Intra-Buffalo Niagara industry analysis
 - Intra-sectoral comparison
- Sector supply chain analysis
- Regional weaknesses
- Buffalo Niagara opportunities
- Threats to Buffalo Niagara's green future
- Regional green industry sector comparative analysis
- Interviews
- Conclusions & recommendations



Sector Review

Completed for each sector:

- Type of direct jobs created & support functions required
- Major companies (Globally)
- NAICS codes for supply chain

Jobs created in the solar energy sector include:

Solar Power Electrical Engineers, Electricians, Industrial Machinery Mechanics, Welders, Metal Fabricators, Electrical Equipment Assemblers, Equipment Operators, Installation Helpers, Laborers, Construction Managers, Silicon Feedstock Processing.

Support functions: R&D, Design, Financial, Legal, Administrative, System Resellers, Distributors and In-

stallers, Accountants, Engineers, Computer Analysts, Clerks, Factory Workers, Truck Drivers and Mechanics.

Major companies in the sector:

Solar Cells: Sharp—Japan; Q-Cells—Germany; Suntech—China; Motech—Taiwan; Kyocera—Japan; SunPower—Philippines; First Solar—U.S.; Gintech—Taiwan; E-Ton—Taiwan; Deutsche Cell/Shell—Germany; JA Solar—China; and Sanyo—Japan.

Major North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) solar industry codes

221119	OTHER ELECTRIC POWER GENERATION	333912	AIR/GAS COMPRESSOR MFG
221122	ELECTRIC POWER DISTRIBUTION	334112	COMPUTER STORAGE DEVICE MFG
237130	POWER/COMM. LINE/RELATED STRUCTURES CONST	334413	SOLAR CELLS
238220	PLUMBING, HEATING, & A/C CONTRACTORS	334418	PRINTED CIRCUITS & ELECTRONICS ASSEMBLIES
325211	ENCAPSULANT	334513	INSTRUMENTS FOR MEASURE, DISPLAY & CONTROL
326113	REAR LAYER	334515	METER
326299	FUEL CELLS, SOLID-STATE	334519	OTHER MEASURING/CONTROLLING DEVICE MFG
327211	TOP SURFACE	335311	POWER, DISTRIBUTION & SPECIALTY TRANSFORMER MFG
331316	ALUMINUM EXTRUDED PRODUCT MFG	335312	MOTOR & GENERATOR
331421	COPPER ROLLING, DRAWING & EXTRUDING	335313	CIRCUIT BREAKERS & FUSERS
332311	PREFABRICATED METAL BUILDING/COMPONENT MFG	335314	RELAY & INDUSTRIAL CONTROL
332312	FABRICATED STRUCTURAL METAL MANUFACTURING	335911	STORAGE BATTERIES
332322	SHEET METAL WORK MANUFACTURING	335931	ELECTRICAL CONNECTIONS
332410	POWER BOILER/HEAT EXCHANGER MFG	335999	CHARGE CONTROLLER
332999	ALL OTHER MISC. FAB METAL PRODUCT MFG	423720	PLUMBING/HEATING EQUIP MERCHANDISE / WHOLESALERS
333412	INDUSTRIAL/COMMERCIAL FANS/BLOWERS	541310	ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES
333414	HEATING EQUIP (EXCEPT WARM AIR FURNACE) MFG	541330	ENGINEERING DESIGN SERVICES
333415	HVAC & COMM./INDUST. REFRIG. EQUIP MFG	541690	ENERGY CONSULTING SERVICES
333613	POWER TRANSMISSION EQUIP	541710	R&D IN PHYSICAL, ENGINEERING & LIFE SCIENCES
333911	PUMP/PUMPING EQUIP MFG		

Quantitative Results

To determine Buffalo-Niagara's capacity and how much of an impact green economy sectors are already having on the region a quantitative review was undertaken within the limitations of the commonly-utilized NAICS code model

Total Buffalo Niagara Revenue/Firms with NAICS Codes Demonstrating Statistical Error											
	Total	Solar	Wind	Hydro	Geo	Bio	Nuclear	ETS	Bldg	Waste	Trans
Firms (total)	72,377	2,351	1,611	1,643	1,739	2,874	1,629	1,536	5,920	1,722	1,411
Total Rev. (mil)	\$35,151	\$19,121	\$20,440	\$25,547	\$25,732	\$26,748	\$23,265	\$16,359	\$20,094	\$17,087	\$21,296
% BN Firms	100.0	3.30	2.23	2.27	2.40	3.97	2.25	2.12	8.18	2.38	1.95
% BN Rev	100.0	54.40	58.15	72.68	73.20	76.09	66.19	46.54	57.16	48.61	60.58

Quantitative Results

Does Buffalo-Niagara perform as forecasted with the green industry sectors? What are the top number of supply chain firms by count and revenue?

SOLAR	Al	Ca	Ch	Er	Ge	Ni	Or	Wy	Total
All Sector BN Revenue (Millions \$)	\$628	\$1,502	\$2,349	\$24,689	\$1,049	\$3,660	\$578	\$696	\$35,151
% Total Revenues	1.8%	4.3%	6.7%	70.2%	3.0%	10.4%	1.6%	2.0%	100.0%
Solar BN Rev Frcst Based on All Actual Revenues Based on Model	\$341	\$817	\$1,278	\$13,430	\$571	\$1,991	\$314	\$379	\$19,121
Actual Revenues/Forecast Revenues	6.1%	80.8%	22.6%	128.2%	15.3%	40.6%	9.9%	3.0%	100.0%

All Sector BN Firms (Total)	Al	Ca	Ch	Er	Ge	Ni	Or	Wy	Total
All Sector BN Firms (Total)	1,923	3,909	7,549	43,232	2,986	9,144	1,673	1,961	72,377
% Total Firms	2.7%	5.4%	10.4%	59.7%	4.1%	12.6%	2.3%	2.7%	100.0%
Solar BN Firm Frcst Based on All Actual Firms Based on Model	64	129	249	1,428	99	302	55	65	2,391
Actual Firms / Forecast Firms	83.4%	86.7%	82.2%	107.5%	98.3%	97.0%	94.1%	67.9%	100.0%

SOLAR - Major NAICS Codes - Revenues		Major Segments - Revenue									
NAICS	Solar Industry Segment Name	Al	Ca	Ch	Er	Ge	Ni	Or	Wy	Total	% Total
221122	Electric Power Distribution	\$0	\$0	\$17	\$2,448	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,464	12.9%
334513	Instr/Related Prod Mfg for Meas., Disply & Contd	0	0	13	2,122	0	0	2	0	2,137	11.2%
333911	Pump/Pumping Equip. Mfg	0	0	0	1,934	6	138	0	0	2,079	10.9%
334519	Other Measuring/Controlling Device Mfg	0	3	0	2,038	0	12	0	0	2,054	10.7%
332322	Sheet Metal Work Manufacturing	2	8	39	1,464	1	16	3	1	1,532	8.0%
332312	Fabricated Structural Metal Manufacturing	0	1	31	1,438	1	33	0	1	1,505	7.9%
332999	All Other Misc. Fab. Metal Product Mfg	3	2	0	1,403	18	1	0	0	1,426	7.5%
238220	Plumbing, Heating & AC Contractors	2	16	36	684	19	38	5	5	805	4.2%
423720	Plumbing/Heating Equip. Merch./Wholesalers	3	1	21	455	11	91	0	1	582	3.0%
541690	Energy Consulting Services	2	2	6	254	2	228	1	1	496	2.6%
335312	Motor and Generator	0	300	0	146	0	0	0	0	447	2.3%
	Total Other	9	328	126	2,828	30	252	19	3	3,595	18.8%
Total Revenues Solar (\$ Millions)		\$21	\$660	\$289	\$17,213	\$87	\$809	\$31	\$12	\$19,121	
Total Solar Revenues % to Total		0.1%	3.5%	1.5%	90.0%	0.5%	4.2%	0.2%	0.1%	100.0%	

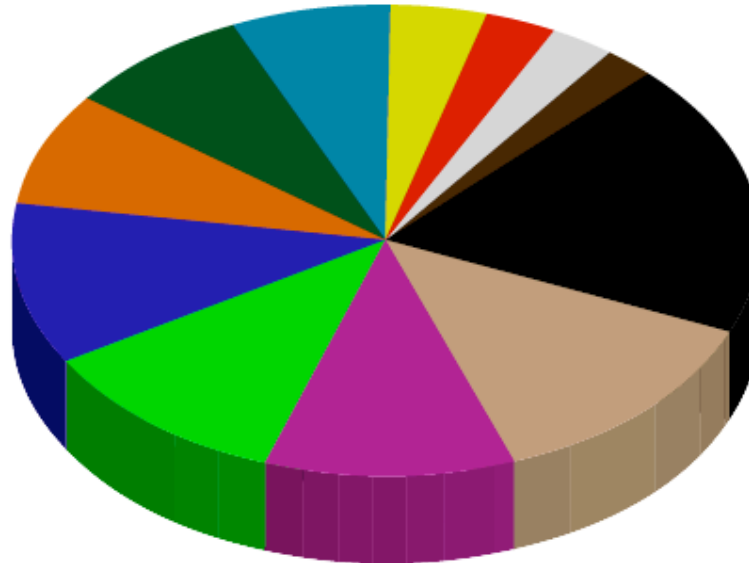
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NAICS	Solar Industry Segment Name	Al	Ca	Ch	Er	Ge	Ni	Or	Wy	Total	% Total
238220	Plumbing, Heating & AC Contractors	21	50	90	521	50	114	27	19	892	37.3%
541330	Engineering Design Services	6	16	15	230	8	46	5	6	332	13.9%
541690	Energy Consulting Services	9	9	15	174	4	31	5	4	251	10.5%
541310	Architectural services	2	0	11	115	1	10	1	3	143	6.0%
334519	Other Measuring/Controlling Device Mfg	2	4	12	67	9	12	2	2	110	4.6%
541712	R&D in Physical, Engineering, and Life Sciences	3	1	2	62	1	6	1	0	76	3.2%
332312	Fabricated Structural Metal Manufacturing	1	2	10	57	3	0	0	1	74	3.1%
332322	Sheet Metal Work Manufacturing	1	2	10	32	3	8	2	1	59	2.5%
221119	Other Electric Power Generation	2	6	11	15	3	11	1	1	50	2.1%
	Total Other	6	22	29	262	15	55	8	7	404	16.9%
Total Firms Solar		53	112	205	1,535	97	293	52	44	2,391	
Total Firms % to Total		2.2%	4.7%	8.6%	64.2%	4.1%	12.3%	2.2%	1.8%	100.0%	

Sector Review



Solar NAICS Industries Distribution in BN Region

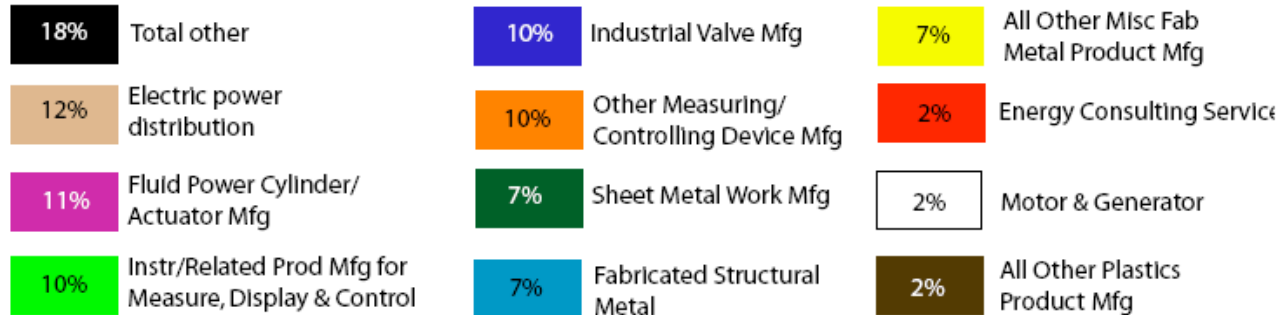
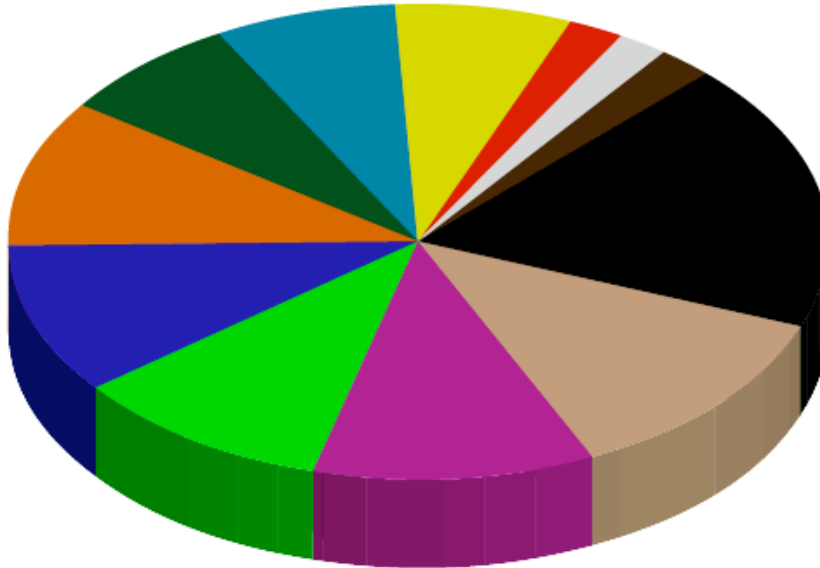
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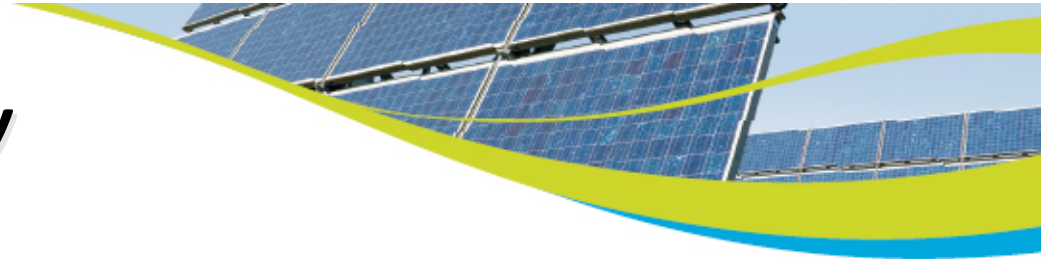
19%	Total other	11%	Other measuring/ controlling device mfg	4%	Plumbing, heating & AC contractors
13%	Electric power distribution	8%	Sheet metal work mfg	3%	Plumbing/heating equip merch/wholesalers
11%	Instr/related prod mfg for measuring, display & control	8%	Fabricated structural metal mfg	3%	Energy consulting services
11%	Pump/pump priming equipment mfg	7%	All other misc fab. metal product mfg	2%	Motor and generator

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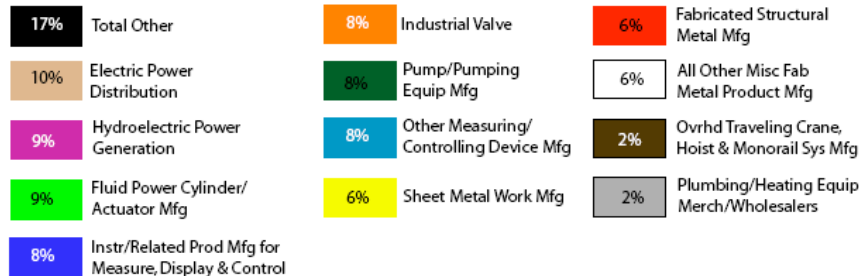
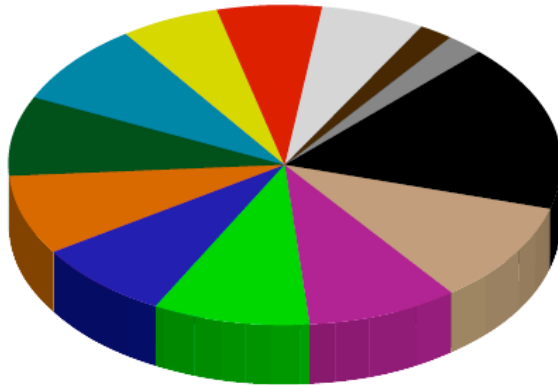
Wind NAICS Industries in Buffalo-Niagara Region (Revenue per NAICS code)



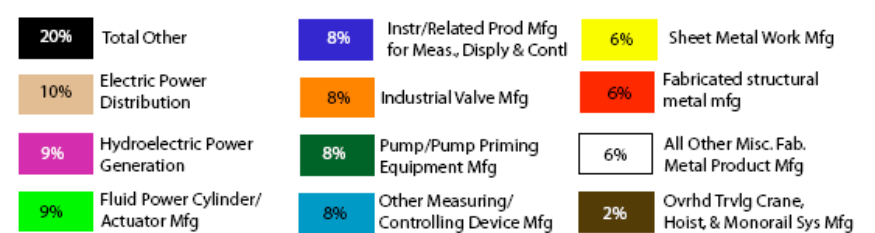
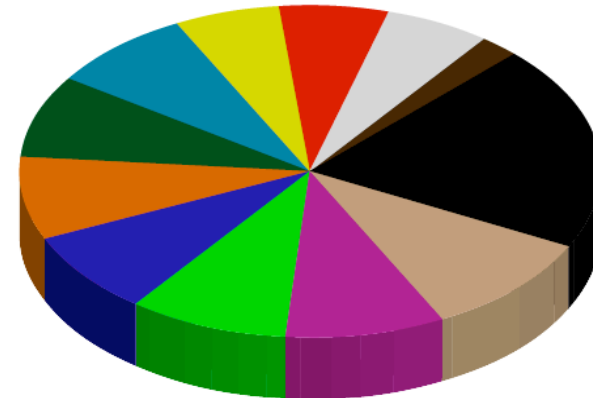
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Hydropower NAICS Industries in Buffalo-Niagara Region
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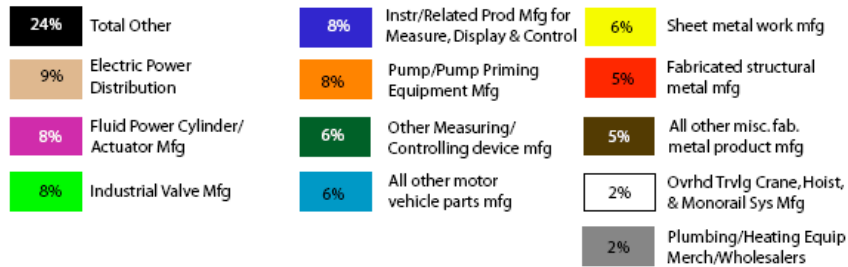
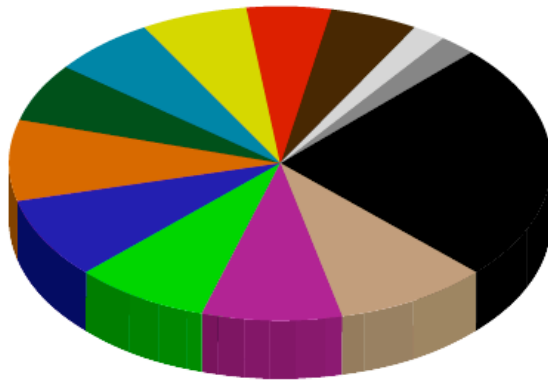


Geothermal NAICS Industries in Buffalo-Niagara Region
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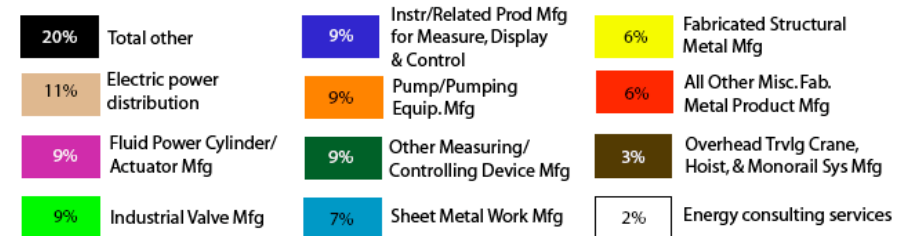
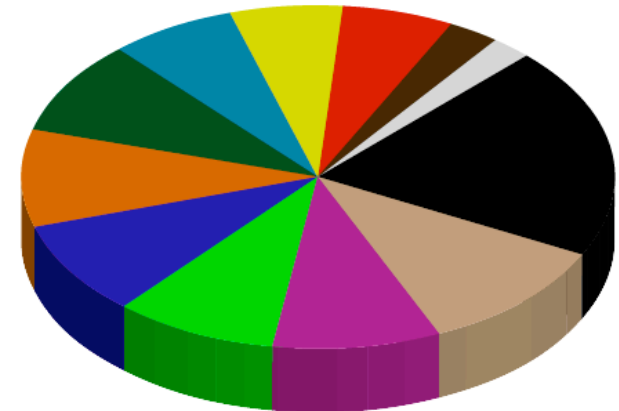


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Biomass NAICS Industries in Buffalo-Niagara Region
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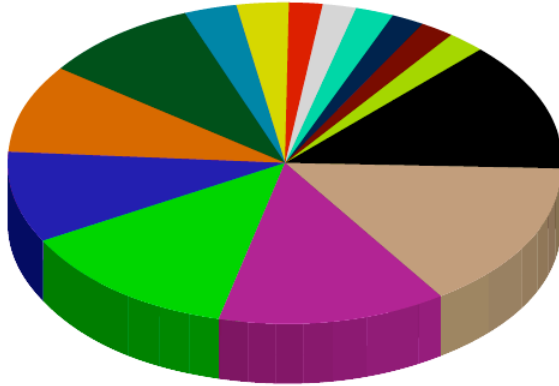


Nuclear NAICS Industries in Buffalo-Niagara Region
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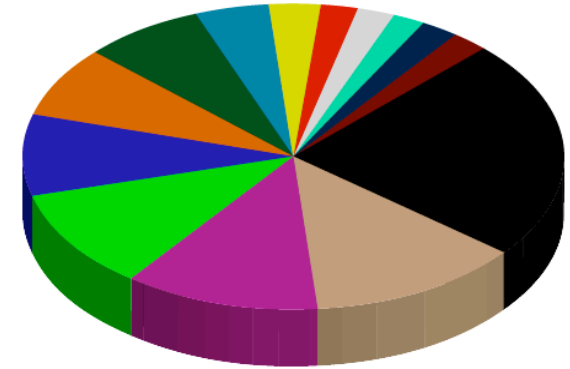
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ETS NAICS Industries in Buffalo-Niagara Region
(Revenue per NAICS code)



13%	Total other	9%	Fabricated Structural Metal Mfg	2%	Power, Distr, & Specialty Transformer Mfg
15%	Electric power distribution	9%	All Other Misc Fab Metal Product Mfg	2%	Engineering Design Services
13%	Instr/Related Prod Mfg for Measure, Display & Control	3%	Energy Consulting Services	2%	Air/Gas Compressor Mfg
13%	Other Measuring/Controlling Device Mfg	3%	Motor & Generator	2%	Charge Controller
9%	Sheet Metal Work Mfg	2%	All Other Plastics Product Mfg	2%	Printed Circuits & Electronics Assemblies

Green Building Industries in Buffalo-Niagara Region
(Revenue per NAICS code)

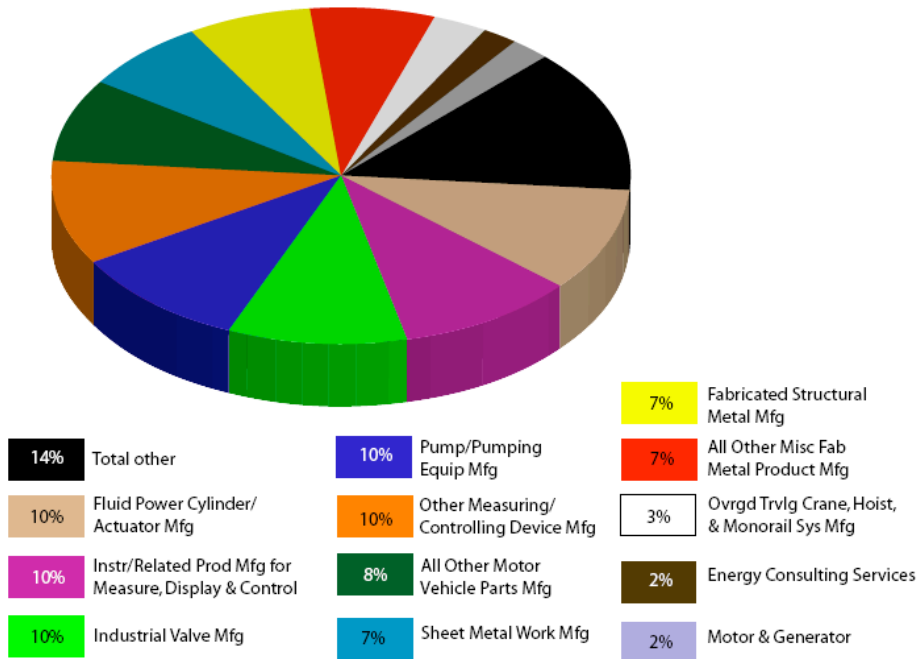


22%	Total other	7%	Fabricated Structural Metal Mfg	2%	Energy Consulting Services
12%	Electric power distribution	7%	All Other Misc Fab Metal Product Mfg	2%	New Single-family Housing Const
11%	Instr/Related Prod Mfg for Measure, Display & Control	4%	Comm/Institutional Building Const	2%	Motor & Generator
10%	Other Measuring/Controlling Device Mfg	4%	Plumbing/Heating & AC Contractors	2%	Utilities Mgt Consulting Services
8%	Sheet Metal Work Mfg	3%	Plumbing/Heating & Equip Merch Wholesalers	2%	All Other Plastics Product Mfg

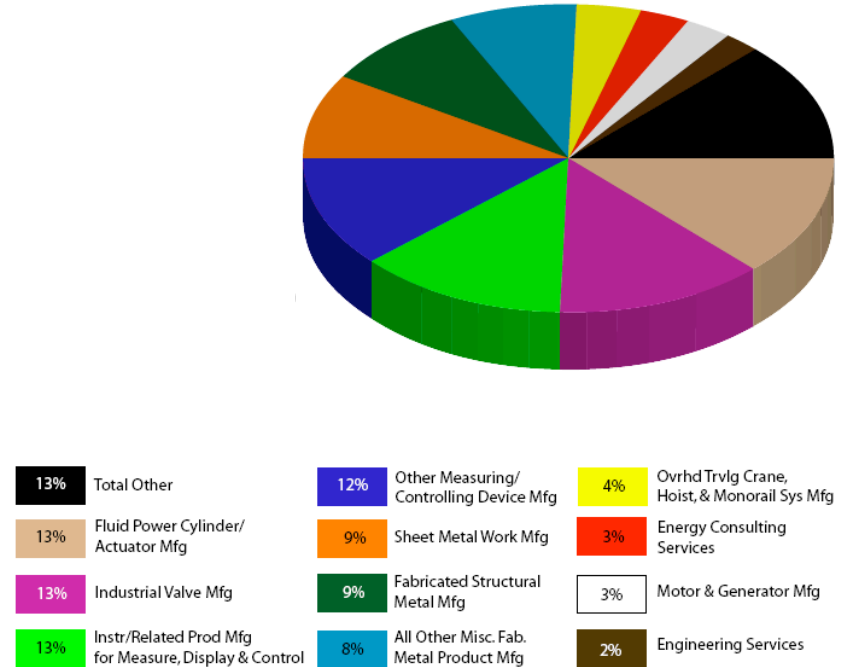
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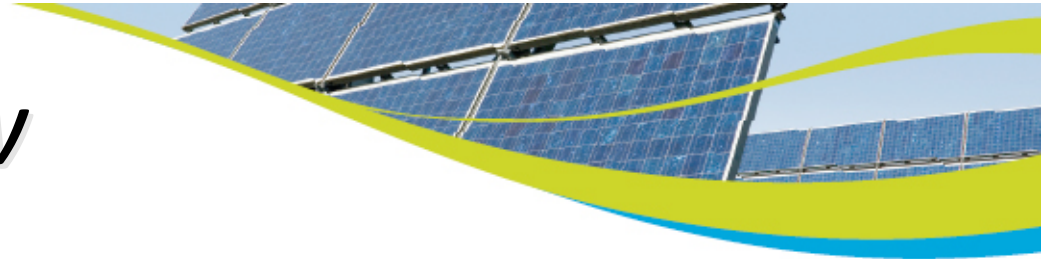
**Transportation NAICS Industries in Buffalo-Niagara Region
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**Solid Waste NAICS Industries in Buffalo-Niagara Region
(Revenue per NAICS code)**



Sector Review



LEADING BUFFALO NIAGARA CROSS-SECTOR INDUSTRIES IN RENEWABLE ENERGY												
NAICS	Description	Bio	Hydro	ETS	Geo	Bldg	Grid	Nuke	Solar	Trans	Waste	Wind
221122	Electric Power Distribution	Green	Green	Blue	Green	Blue	Green	Blue	Green	Blue	Blue	Blue
331421	Copper Rolling, Drawing & Extruding	Green	Green	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Green	Blue
332312	Fabricated Structural Metal Mfg	Green	Green	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Green	Blue
332322	Sheet Metal Work Mfg	Green	Green	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Green	Blue
332999	Other Misc Fab Metal Product Mfg	Green	Green	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Green	Blue
333415	AC/Warm-Air Heating & Refrig Equip Mfg	Green	Green	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue
333613	Power Trans Equip	Green	Green	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue
334112	Computer Storage Device Mfg	Green	Green	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Green	Blue
334513	Instr Mfg for Measure, Display Control	Green	Green	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Green	Blue
334515	Meter	Green	Green	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue
334519	Other Measuring/Control Device Mfg	Green	Green	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Green	Blue
335311	Power, Dist & Specialty Transformer Mfg	Green	Green	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue
335312	Motor and Generator	Green	Green	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Green	Blue
335313	Switchgear/Switchboard Apparatus Mfg	Green	Green	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue
335314	Relay & Industrial Control	Green	Green	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Green	Blue
335931	Electrical Connections	Green	Green	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Green	Blue
335999	Charge Controllers	Green	Green	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue
541310	Architectural Svcs	Green	Green	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Green	Blue
541330	Engineering Design Svcs	Green	Green	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Green	Blue
541380	Testing Laboratories	Green	Green	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Green	Blue
541620	Envir. Consulting Svcs	Green	Green	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Green	Blue
541690	Energy Consulting Svcs	Green	Green	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Green	Blue	Green	Blue

Note: Colored boxes indicate NAICS codes where Buffalo Niagara possesses strength and that are relevant across different sectors. Blank boxes indicates little or no NAICS activity in targeted sector.

Regional Opportunities for our Green Economy



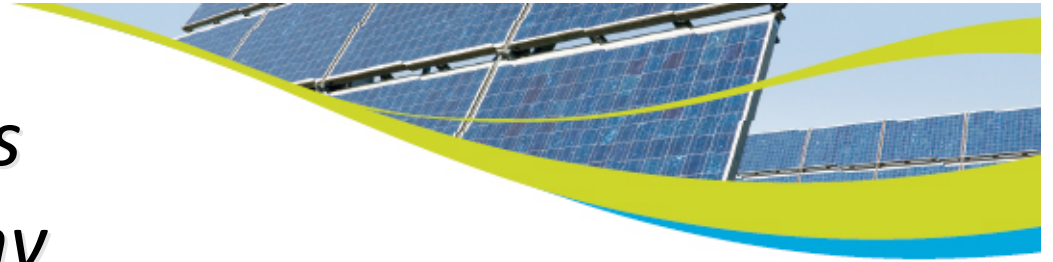
- Green community
- Canada
- Wind/solar power systems manufacturing
- Hydropower/hydrokinetic power & manufacturing
- University involvement
- State Incentives

Regional Threats to our Green Economy



- Global economy
- New York State business climate
- Incentive changes in New York State
- Competition from other states & regions

Regional Weaknesses for our Green Economy



- Location
- General economic conditions
- Government initiatives
- Plan implementation
- Local assistance
- Confidence!

Comparative Analysis

How does the Buffalo-Niagara region to those areas already successful in green economy sectors?

Solar Comparative Analysis—Demographic Information

COUNTY STATE	MIDDLESEX MASS.	PRINCE GEORGES MD.	OAKLAND MICH.	BN REGION N.Y.
Population	1,465,396	801,515	1,194,156	1,591,708
Population as % of BN	92%	50%	75%	100%
Revenues as % of BN	659%	16%	185%	100%
Firms(Total)	88,892	49,067	96,036	72,377
# People per Firm	16.5	16.3	12.4	22.0
# People per Solar Firm	287	466	284	666
# People employed in Mfg	95,518	13,695	134,003	120,877
% People employed in Mfg	6.5%	1.7%	11.2%	7.6%
% College degree or above	43.7%	23.5%	36.0%	19.9%
Median House Value	\$247,900	\$145,600	\$181,200	\$88,213
Average House Value	\$106,981	\$158,368	\$227,110	\$78,094

Solar NAICS Comparative Analysis—Revenues (In Millions \$)

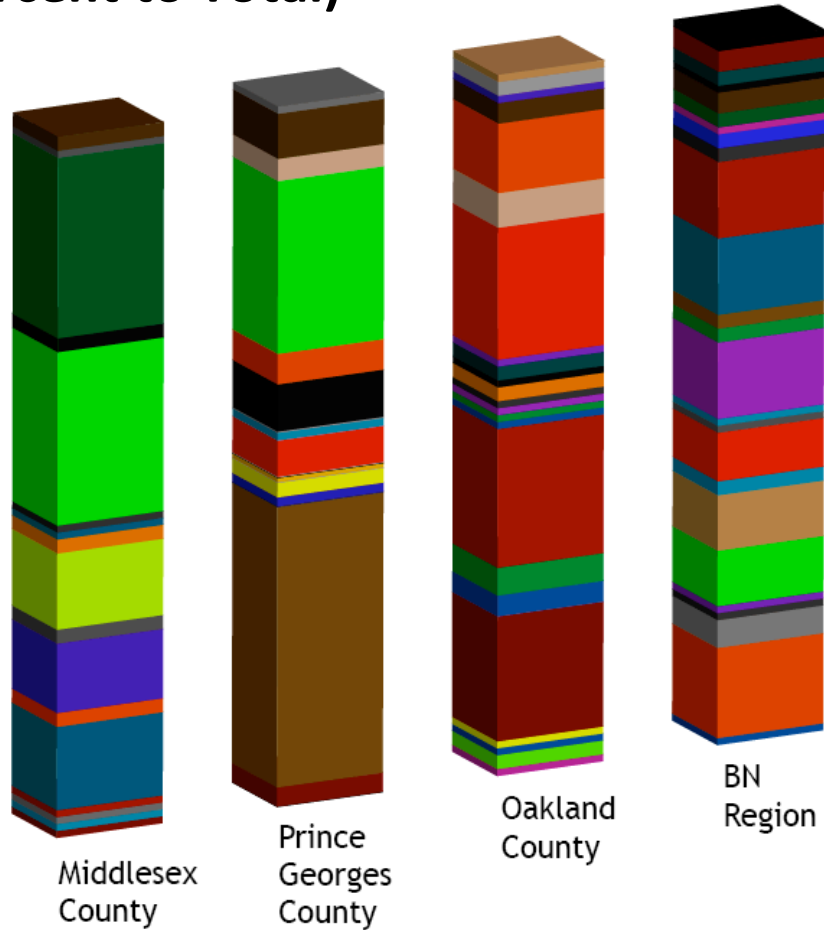
NAICS	INDUSTRY SEGMENT	COUNTY: Middlesex		Prince Georges		Oakland		BN Region	
		\$\$	%	\$\$	%	\$\$	%	\$\$	%
221119	Other Electric Power Generation	301	0.2	3	0.1	394	1.1	182	1.0
221122	Electric Power Distribution	1,058	0.8	0	0.0	15	0.0	2,464	12.9
237130	Power/Comm Line/Rel Structures Co	258	0.2	85	2.7	10	0.0	11	0.1
238220	Plumbing, Heating, & AC Contractor	1,016	0.8	1,270	40.4	553	1.6	805	4.2
325211	Encapsulant	40	0.0	5	0.1	204	0.6	105	0.5
326113	Rear Layer	53	0.0	0	0.0	147	0.4	13	0.1
326299	Fuel cells, solid-state	150	0.1	0	0.0	502	1.4	94	0.5
327211	Top Surface	7	0.0	1	0.0	6,403	18.1	5	0.0
331316	Aluminum Extruded Product Mfg	0	0.0	0	0.0	10	0.0	0	0.0
331421	Copper Rolling, Drawing, and Extru	1	0.0	0	0.0	6	0.0	127	0.7
332311	Prefabricated Metal Building/Comp	1	0.0	0	0.0	1,044	2.9	28	0.1
332312	Fabricated Structural Metal Mfg	108	0.1	42	1.3	121	0.3	1,505	7.9
332322	Sheet Metal Work Mfg	785	0.6	66	2.1	104	0.3	1,532	8.0
332410	Power Boiler/Heat Exchanger Mfg	4	0.0	0	0.0	10	0.0	312	1.6
332999	All Other Misc. Fab Metal Product	673	0.5	2	0.1	1,378	3.9	1,426	7.5
333412	Industrial/Commercial fans/blowers	531	0.4	0	0.0	67	0.2	21	0.1
333414	Heating Equip (ex. Warm Air Furnace)	328	0.3	19	0.6	12	0.0	49	0.3
333415	AC/Wm Air Htg Eqp & Com/Ind Ref	30	0.0	3	0.1	68	0.2	109	0.6
333613	Power Transmission Equip	16	0.0	0	0.0	138	0.4	225	1.2
333911	Pump/Pumping Equip Mfg	9	0.0	0	0.0	6,929	19.6	2,079	10.9
333912	Air/Gas Compressor Mfg	35	0.0	0	0.0	12	0.0	333	1.7
334112	Computer Storage Device Mfg	15,635	12.4	0	0.0	263	0.7	1	0.0
334413	Solar Cells	2,553	2.0	3	0.1	372	1.1	8	0.0
334418	Printed circuits and electronics	208	0.2	0	0.0	223	0.6	320	1.7
334513	Instr/Reld Prod Mfg for Meas, Disp	12,601	10.0	165	5.2	390	1.1	2,137	11.2
334515	Meter	2,883	2.3	33	1.1	55	0.2	54	0.3
334519	Other Measuring/Controlling Device	13,331	10.6	0	0.0	533	1.5	2,054	10.7
335311	Power, Distrib & Specialty Transf	574	0.5	0	0.0	327	0.9	374	2.0
335312	Motor and Generator	156	0.1	0	0.0	786	2.2	447	2.3
335313	Circuit Breakers & Fuses	241	0.2	0	0.0	154	0.4	10	0.1
335314	Relay and Industrial Control	249	0.2	0	0.0	431	1.2	227	1.2
335911	Storage Batteries	10	0.0	0	0.0	36	0.1	1	0.0
335931	Electrical Connections	178	0.1	0	0.0	172	0.5	16	0.1
335999	Charge Controller	2,810	2.2	7	0.2	6,866	19.4	332	1.7
423720	Plumbing/Heating Equip Merch	638	0.5	215	6.8	176	0.5	582	3.0
541310	Architectural services	818	0.6	138	4.4	1,673	4.7	232	1.2
541330	Engineering Design Services	31,632	25.1	783	24.9	3,450	9.7	355	1.9
541690	Energy Consulting Services	2,801	2.2	101	3.2	913	2.6	496	2.6
541712	R&D	33,201	26.4	204	6.5	466	1.3	53	0.3
TOTAL REVENUES		\$125,920	100%	\$3,146	100%	\$35,413	100%	\$19,121	100%
% OF REVENUES: COUNTIES TO BN		659%		16%		185%			

Comparative Analysis



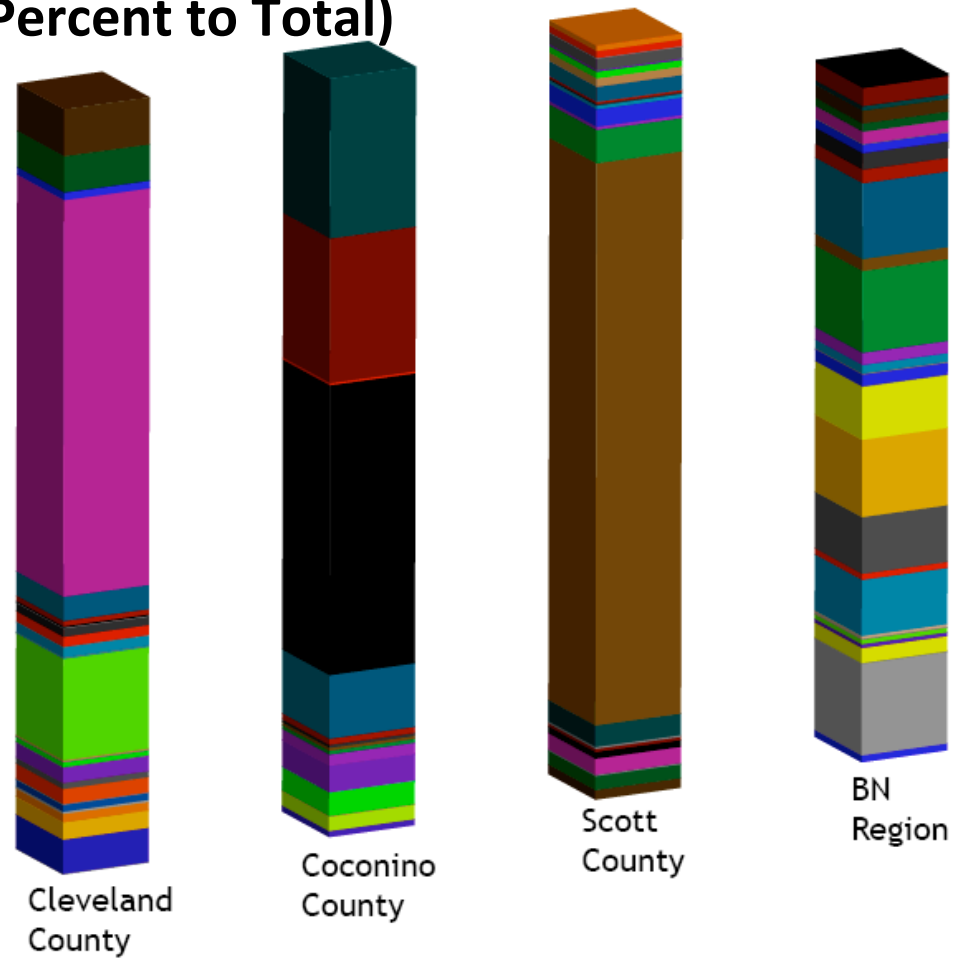
Solar Industry Segments Revenue (Percent to Total)

*A greater number of bands
amounts to more diversity
within the location*



Comparative Analysis

Wind Industry Segments Revenue (Percent to Total)

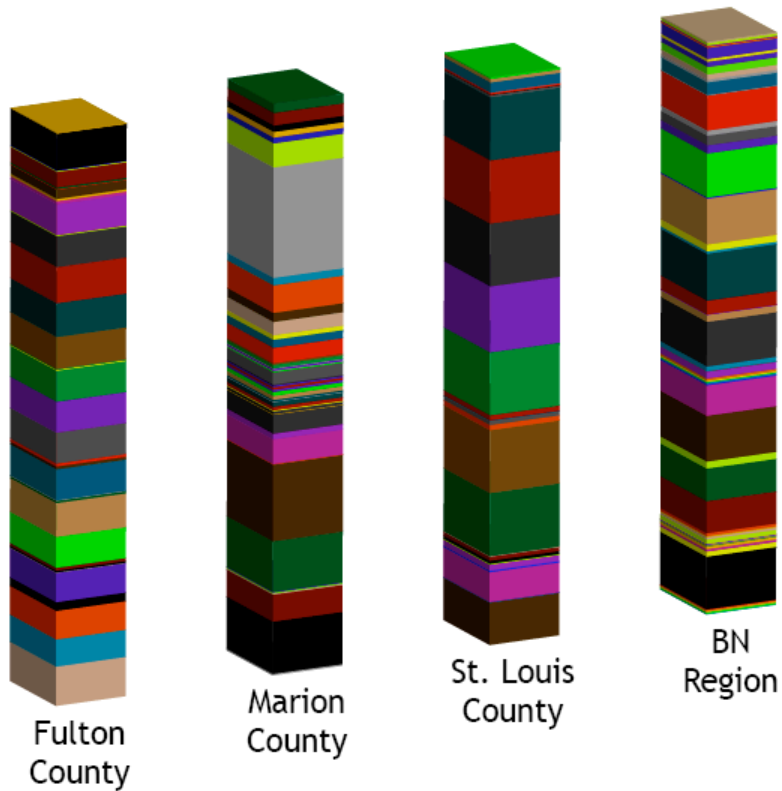


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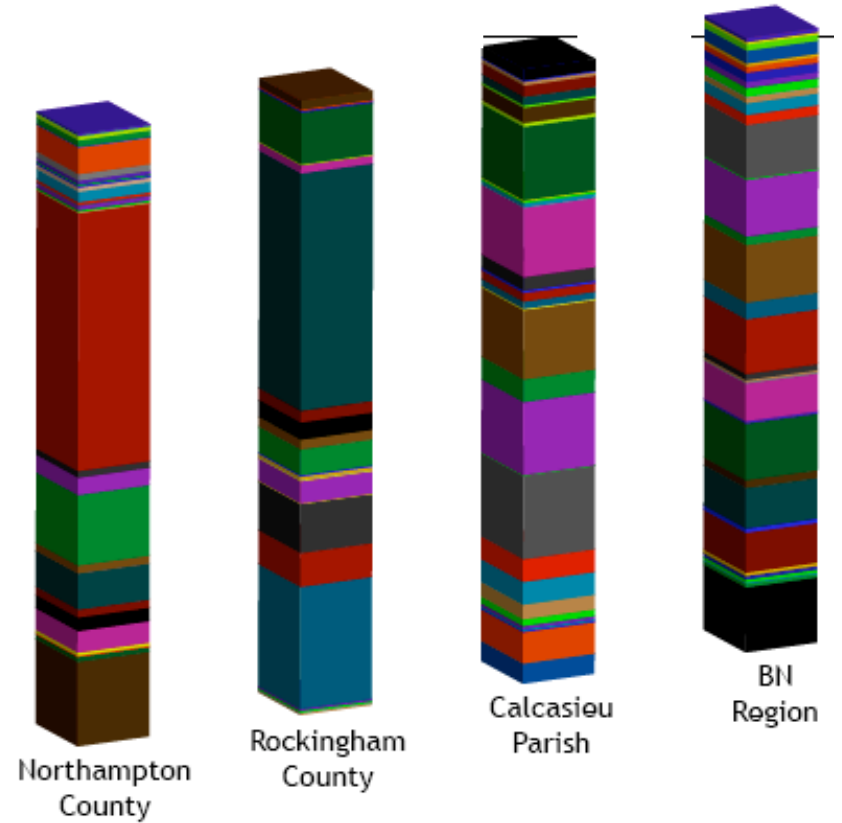
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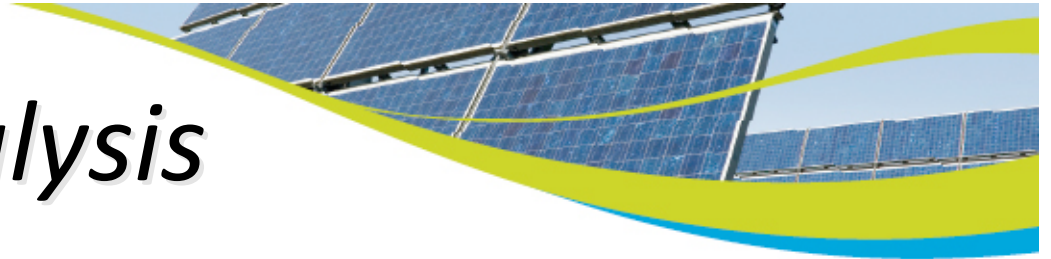
**Biomass Industry Segments Revenue
(Percent to Total)**



**Nuclear Industry Segments Revenue
(Percent to Total)**

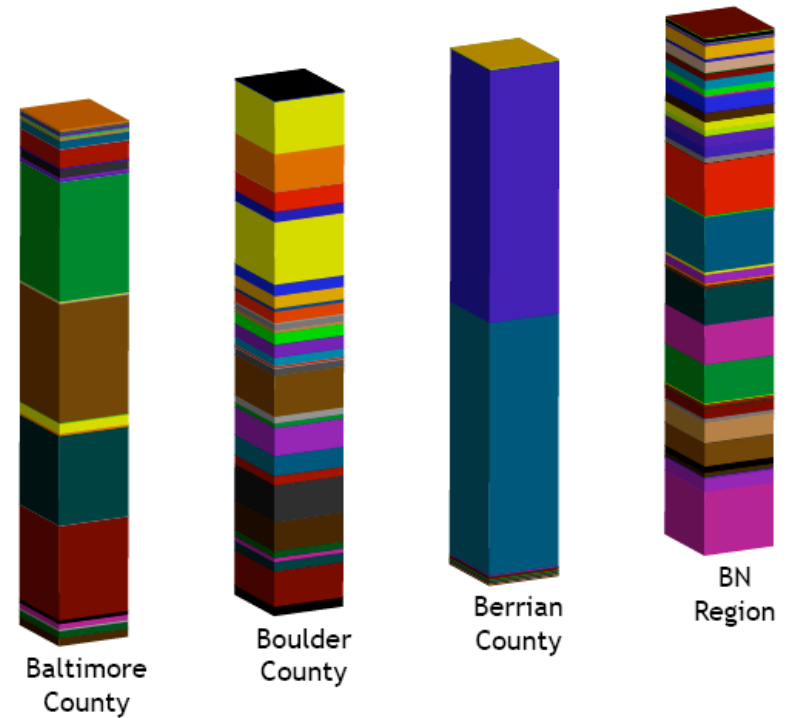
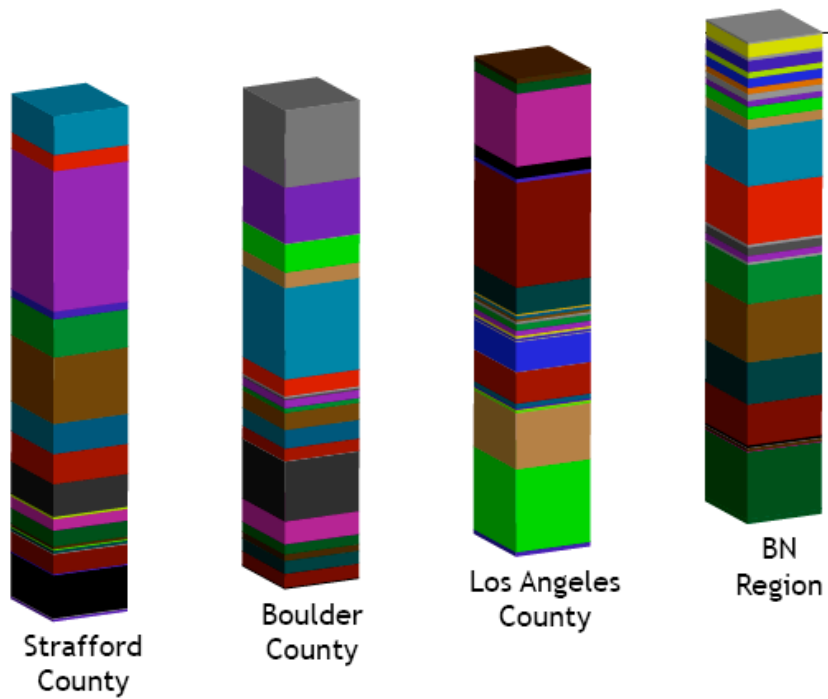


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**ETS Industry Segments Revenue
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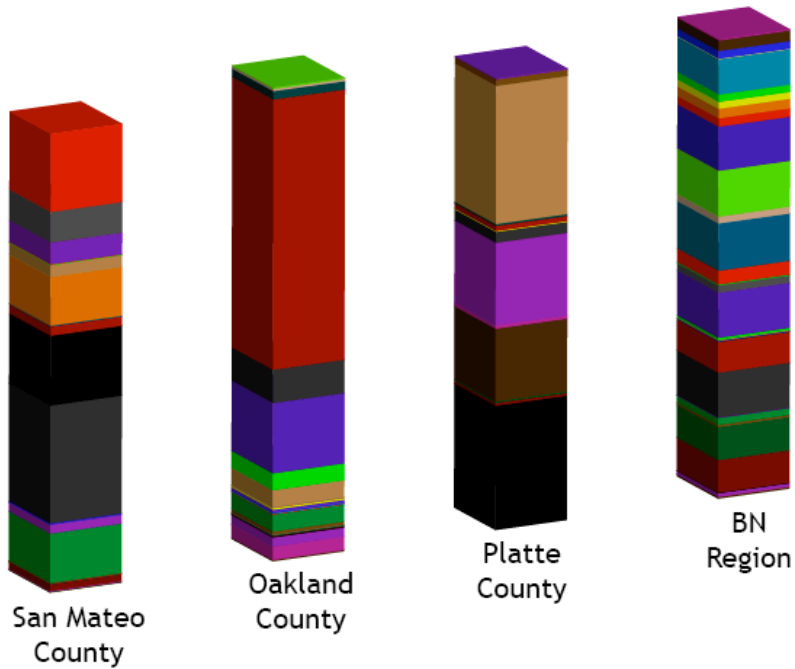
**Green Building Industry Segments Revenue
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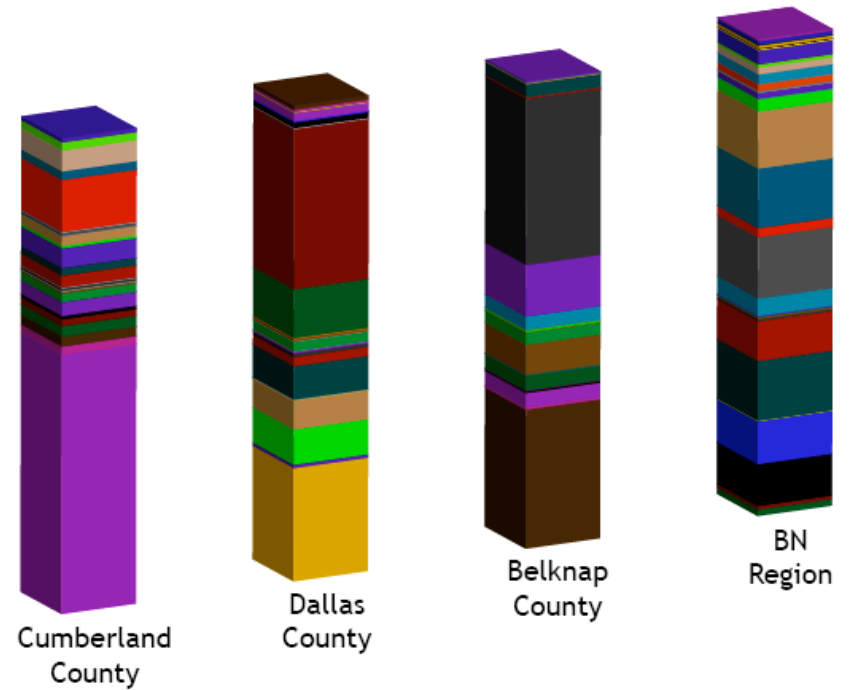
Comparative Analysis



**Transportation Industry
Segments Revenue
(Percent to Total)**



**Solid Waste Industry
Segments Revenue
(Percent to Total)**



Interviews



**Are Renewable Energy-Related Products
Ready to be Commercialized?**

**Is Excess Capacity Positive or Negative
in Terms of Seeking Investment?**

**Can Buffalo Niagara Serve as a Laboratory
for a New U.S. Industrial Future?**

**How Essential are Government
Stimulus & Incentive Programs?**

New questions and ideas are emerging on the impact of “green” within Buffalo Niagara as well as the U.S. and global economy. These and other issues uncovered in KWR International’s research were investigated through additional analysis and discussions with business executives, regulatory officials, academics, trade association managers, attorneys and service professionals, analysts, journalists, and other targeted individuals. They were selected for their ability to provide insight from a local and external perspective. To ensure frank discussion, interview subjects were identified by title and, where relevant, affiliation.

**How Important is Location &
Buffalo Niagara’s Proximity to Canada?**

**Is Success Simply a Case
of Better Promotion & Outreach?**

**Is the Sum of Renewable Energy Worth
More Than Individual Sectors?**

**Do Investors & Site Selectors
Help Those Who Help Themselves?**

Interviews



A few key points from interviews:

'...incentives become key. Germany has become a global leader in solar and they also offer some of the best incentives. Japan has also done well, but purchases declined when subsidies were eliminated in 2005.'

'People need to realize all energy is subsidized—that includes oil and gas—so one shouldn't think only alternative energy is subsidized.'

'There is a range of skills and that is a real plus here. If you go to Arizona you get lots of lower-skilled labor but you can't get skilled trades people.'

"What has happened in a lot of cities has been the formation of a 'green team,'" he added.

"Seattle, Milwaukee, Cincinnati, Portland, San Francisco, New York and Toronto have all drawn up green plans, bringing together business, city and community groups to form and implement a sustainability plan. This can include offering subsidies to help businesses that expand in a green way."

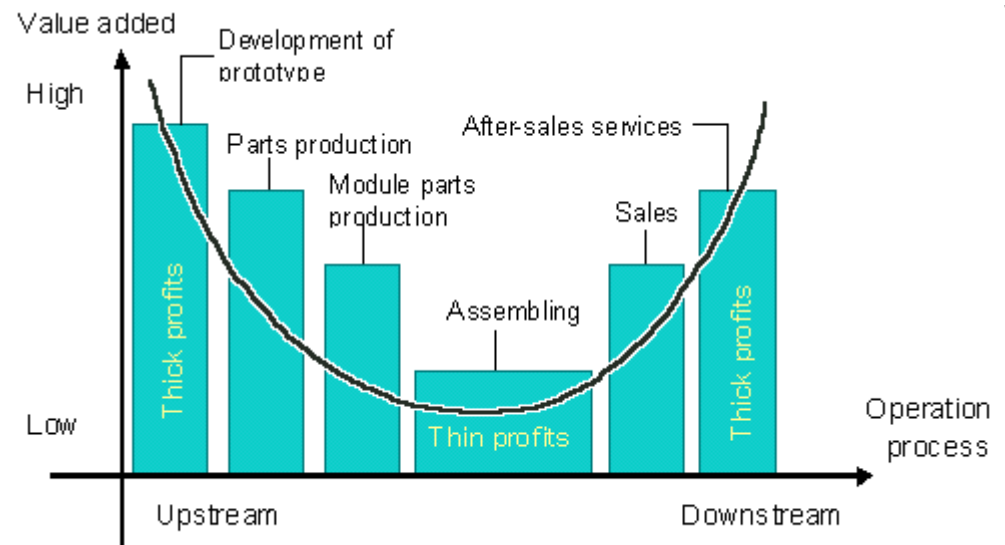
'One must determine what are the leading thinkers doing and then apply their thoughts into the industrial sector with input and capital from venture capitalists and other investors. One area that gets little attention is energy conservation. With all the snow and older building stock, that could be a natural area for Buffalo.'

Buffalo Niagara Economy



Capitalizing on the green economy can help achieve what Glaeser thinks can't be done. A diverse green economy, from R&D, to manufacturing production, to sales, can serve as the foundation for a future economic rebirth.

Companies focusing on the assembly stage have the thinnest profits and are thus hardest to sustain while operations on the edges possess higher margins. It is this development that the Buffalo-Niagara region should seek to capitalize on and which potentially draws on its strengths. WNY can serve as the stage for research AND implementation of many sectors given it has the ability to support almost the entirety of functions required. This chart also explains why many of the jobs that left the Buffalo region, were outsourced to countries that could operate within the thinnest profit margin areas.



Visualization of “Smiling Curve” theory developed by Acer Computer founder Stanley Shih – courtesy of RIETI/Japan

Can U.S. Regain its Manufacturing Prowess?



- Buffalo Niagara represents a great test lab and region can benefit from attention focused on this deficiency.
- Recent report by *American Prospect* titled "Made in the USA: Reviving American Manufacturing (before it's too late) states:
 - *America cannot prosper over the long term with less than 12 percent of its GDP coming from manufacturing. This sector should generate at least 20 percent of our nation's GDP. And when it does, 12 million more workers will be employed directly and up to another 30 million workers indirectly as a result of the very high multiplier effect of new manufacturing jobs.*
- And *New Republic's* Noam Scheiber emphasizes a holistic approach consistent with Smiling Curve and region's potential strengths:
 - *Unfortunately, the evidence suggests it's nearly impossible to thrive at R&D and product-design unless you're also actively involved in the production process, too.*
- E.g., Synergies between industry and Buffalo Niagara Medical Campus.

Major Conclusions



- The new green economy offers Buffalo Niagara unique job-growth opportunities as alternative-energy demand grows. The potential stems from its ability to provide manufacturing capacity in almost all alternative-energy sectors, rather than any one area or sub-sector.
- Buffalo Niagara can be competitive in securing green jobs because it has a more diverse, balanced industrial base than competitors. This provides an opportunity to take a leading role as a component supplier in numerous aspects of renewable-energy use and production.
- Buffalo Niagara can establish itself as America's reindustrialization model in the new green economy and serve as a laboratory for restoring manufacturing jobs.
- Buffalo Niagara has the opportunity to establish itself as a North American center for the commercialization of green and renewable-energy-related products.
- Positioning Buffalo Niagara as a region where "Industry Creates Energy" can allow the region to participate in a revitalized American economy by capitalizing on its historic advantages to reclaim its manufacturing heritage and create new jobs.

Additional Conclusions



- Solar & wind component manufacturing hold the greatest potential for job creation in WNY.
- Wind is likely to offer the greatest opportunity for the region to generate large-scale alternative energy that can be supplied to the grid.
- Hydropower generation can play a significant role in the region’s alternative-energy generation if emerging technologies in hydrokinetic turbines prove feasible. The Niagara River, both above and below the Falls, can prove a significant source of low-cost electricity.
- Biomass and biofuels offer potential growth. The region has facilities for large-scale biomass storage (grain elevators) and bulk transport. Massive landfills can be a methane-gas source. Rural areas could be utilized for biomass production when economically and environmentally feasible crops are identified.
- The region does not have a “green image,” which is important to green-economy investors and entrepreneurs. Buffalo fails to rank in any national green-communities listing largely because the region’s leadership has not embraced an environmental-economy concept.
- At the local level, the region has not formulated special incentives or programs that would foster green jobs that need not be cost-intensive. There has been little follow-up on green-program plans. Building codes in most communities do not address energy-efficiency issues.

Major Recommendations



- Position Buffalo Niagara as a focal point of Alternative Energy activity throughout the value chain where “Industry becomes Energy”.
- Formation of “Green Team” with input from industry, government, investors, academia and local community to create an inviting business and living environment
- Fostering of soft infrastructure that complements industrial capacity.
- Promote global dialogue with US, Canadian, European, Asian and other businesses, governments and entities with an interest in alternative energy sector
- Establish integrated green initiatives for the regional promotion & coordination of planning & policy development.

Other Recommendations



- Assist in retooling of local companies
- Promote sites for development as opportunity to reduce carbon footprint (Hydro-power)
- Encourage institutions to enhance research and programs around green economy directives
- Package regional incentives and business assistance around green economy
- Local governments work towards rebranding as a green community
- Strengthen incentives for energy efficiency and retrofiting
- Develop relationship with southern Ontario, especially for hydro related projects
- Foster business community partnerships with southern Ontario to develop technologies
- Pursue direct foreign investment in Canada, the European Union and Asia
- Form task force to assist auto part manufacturers to anticipate needs of alternative fuel vehicles



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Wrap Up and Questions

Thank You!



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