

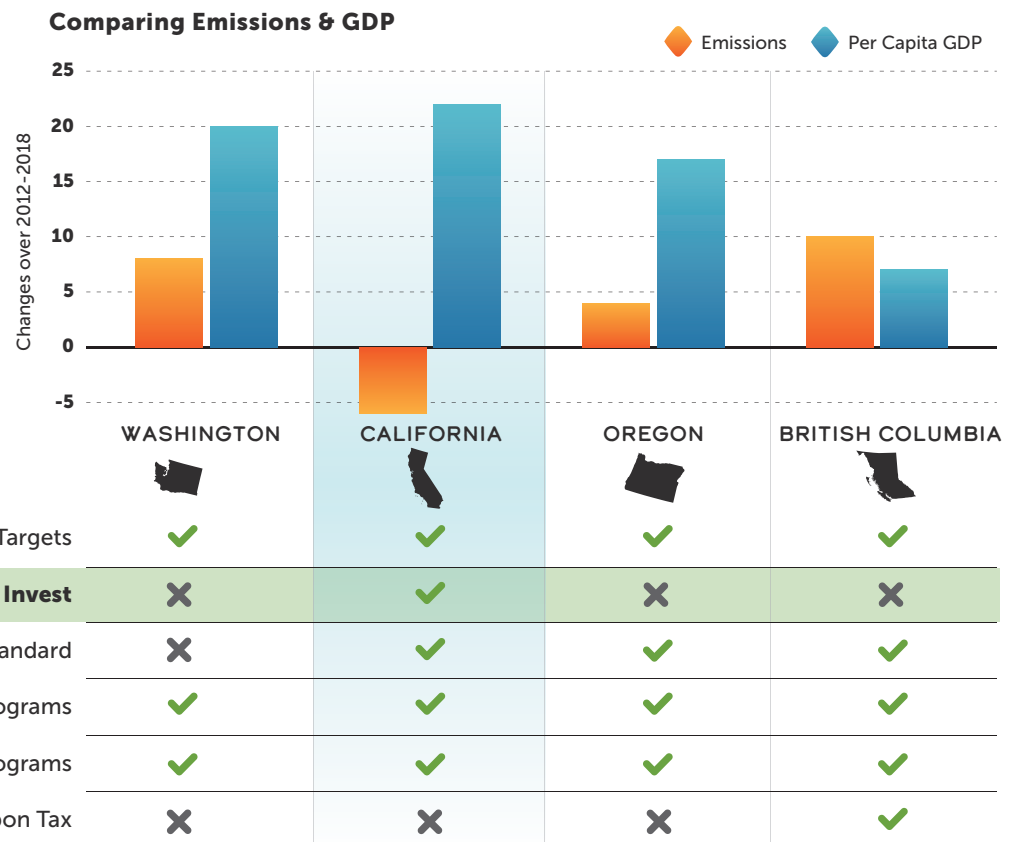
CAP & INVEST WORKS. HERE'S PROOF.

Cap & Invest jurisdictions outperform on both environmental & economic outcomes.

Overwhelming data shows that we don't have to choose between the environment and the economy. Below, we spotlight two US programs where Cap & Invest has done exactly what it was designed to do: reduce emissions while investing back into local communities. Washington state can achieve true low carbon prosperity by enacting the Climate Commitment Act.


California

Ambitious climate targets are at home on the Pacific Coast. And while British Columbia, Washington and Oregon all have programs in place, only California has actually reduced emissions while its economy outperforms peers. And it's the only jurisdiction on the West Coast utilizing Cap & Invest.





Meanwhile, California has generated over \$13 billion from Cap & Invest proceeds to enhance communities, create local jobs and improve the long-term performance of the system. More than half of investments to-date benefit priority populations, with a goal of increasing equity as the system grows. So far, they've invested in:


 **456,000+**
individual projects implemented


 **6,400+**
affordable housing units under contract

 **118,000**
urban tree plantings

 **769,000+**
acres of land preservation or restoration

 **600+**
transit agency projects funded, adding or expanding transit service

 **122,000+**
projects installing energy efficiency measures in homes

 **318,000+**
rebates issued for zero-emission and plug-in hybrid vehicles

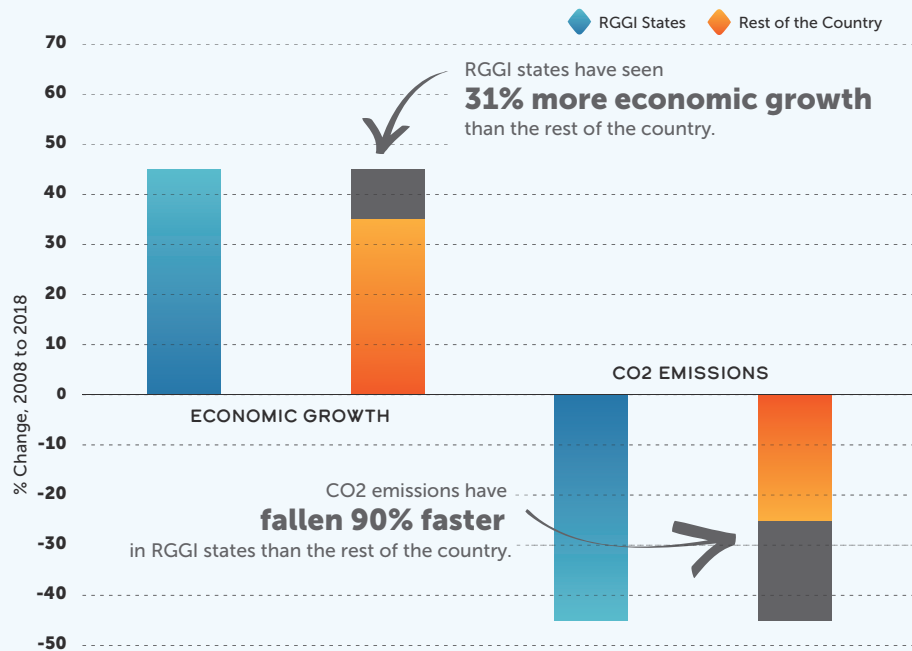
RGGI: The Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative

This power-sector Cap & Invest plan on the East Coast is a success for participating states. Connecticut, Delaware, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Rhode Island, Vermont and Virginia are achieving better outcomes than the rest of the country – faster decreases in pollution and stronger economic growth. RGGI states' emissions have fallen **90% faster** than the rest of the country, while they've seen **31% greater** economic growth.

At the same time, electricity costs in these states have gone down 5.7% — versus an 8.6% increase in the rest of the country.

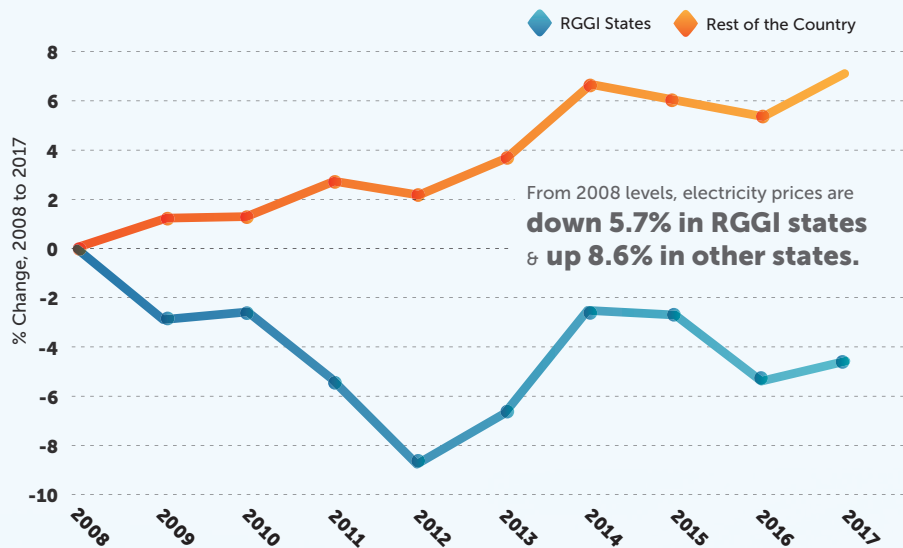
RGGI has also generated \$3.2 billion in revenue, the majority of which has been invested in energy efficiency and renewable energy programs. Reductions in co-pollutant emissions have resulted in over \$5.7 billion in health and productivity benefits.

Change in Economic Growth & Emissions



Source: <https://acadiacenter.org/document/the-regional-greenhouse-gas-initiative-ten-years-in-review/>

Volume-Weighted Electricity Prices



With the Cap & Invest Climate Commitment Act, Washington has an opportunity to start reaping the same benefits — investing in our state while we remove emissions for our planet.



**Clean &
Prosperous
Washington**

*Diablo Lake, Washington,
looking at Davis Peak*