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World Electricity Consumption for Lighting by Sector and Potential Electricity Savings, 2005

| Lighting Sector | Worldwide Electricity Consumption for Lighting | Potential Electricity Savings | Potential Electricity Savings |
|-----------------------------------|---|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| | Terawatt-hours | Terawatt-hours | Percent |
| Total Residential Lighting | 1,045 | 826 | 79 |
| Total Commercial Lighting | 1,460 | 971 | 66 |
| OECD countries | 915 | | |
| Non-OECD countries | 545 | | |
| Total Industrial Lighting | 632 | 307 | 49 |
| Total Outdoor Stationary Lighting | 281 | 113 | 40 |
| Street lighting | 147 | | |
| Car parks | 113 | | |
| Traffic lights | 19 | | |
| World Total, All Sectors | 3,418 | 2,217 | 65 |

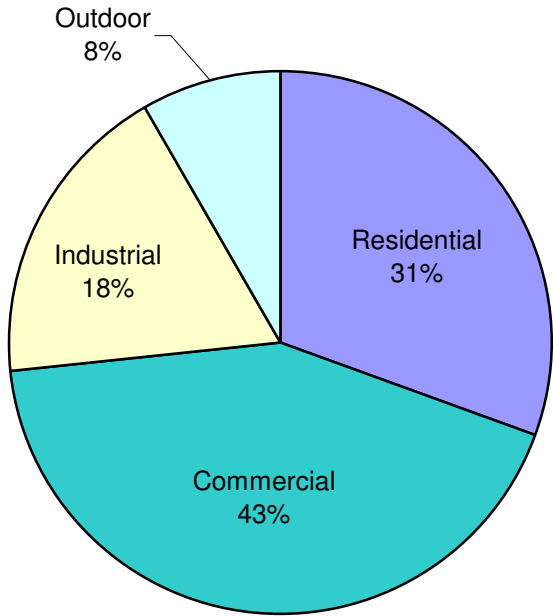
Notes: The World Total electricity consumption for lighting in 2005 represents 19% of the world's total electricity consumption of 17,982 TWh. IEA's *Light's Labour's Lost* presents electricity use as final energy consumption (13,952 TWh in 2005), omitting transmission and distribution losses. Because we are interested in total primary energy consumption, including these losses, a conversion factor of 1.288 was applied to all values obtained from *Light's Labour's Lost* ($1.288 = 17,982/13,952$).

As outlined in *Plan B 4.0*, reducing lighting electricity consumption by 65% would decrease the share of electricity consumption for lighting from 19% to 7% of world total electricity consumption. The resulting electricity savings is enough to close 705 coal-fired power plants of 500 MW each (a 500-MW coal-fired power plant produces 3.15 TWh of electricity per year operating at 72% capacity).

Source: Compiled by Earth Policy Institute from International Energy Agency (IEA), *Light's Labour's Lost: Policies for Energy-efficient Lighting* (Paris: 2006); 2005 electricity consumption estimated from IEA, *World Energy Outlook 2006* (Paris: 2006).

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World Electricity Consumption for Lighting by Sector, 2005



Total: 3,418 Terawatt-hours

Source: EPI from IEA

Potential Worldwide Electricity Savings by Switching to More-Efficient Lighting and Implementing System Control Technologies, 2005

| Measure | Electricity Savings Terawatt-hours per Year |
|---|--|
| Residential - average efficacy equaling compact fluorescent (CFL) efficacy ¹ | 680 |
| Residential - control systems ² | 146 |
| Commercial, non-OECD - switching to best fluorescent systems ³ | 235 |
| Commercial, non-OECD - control systems ² | 124 |
| Commercial, OECD - switching to best fluorescent systems ⁴ | 409 |
| Commercial, OECD - control systems ² | 202 |
| Industrial - switching to best fluorescent systems ⁵ | 91 |
| Industrial - control systems ² | 216 |
| Traffic lights - converting to LEDs ⁶ | 15 |
| External signage, U.S. - neon signs to LEDs ⁷ | 9 |
| Street lighting - mercury vapor lamps to high pressure sodium ⁸ | 32 |
| Car parks - dimming lights during off-peak hours ⁹ | 57 |
| Total Electricity Savings | 2,217 |

Notes: Unless otherwise noted, electricity savings is calculated by assuming the average efficacy of lighting in a particular sector is increased to the lighting efficacy of the best fluorescent systems in use today (92.3 lm/W).

¹ Worldwide, residential lighting has an average source-lumen efficacy of 21.5 lm/W. Source-lumen refers to the lumens emitted by the light source (i.e. a lamp) as opposed to a luminaire. A 13-watt CFL has an average system efficacy (lamp plus ballast efficacy) of approximately 60 lm/W. The residential energy savings is calculated assuming that the average efficacy of lighting in the residential sector is increased to the average efficacy of a 13-watt CFL (i.e., from 21.5 lm/W to 60 lm/W).

² A study by CADDET estimates that lighting energy consumption in the commercial sector can be reduced by 30-50% through the implementation of control systems (i.e., sensors that turn lights off in unoccupied spaces or reduce lighting during daylight hours). The potential electricity savings in the residential and industrial sectors from control systems are likely similar to the commercial sector, so a 40% reduction in energy consumption is assumed for implementation of control systems.

³ Average efficacy of commercial lighting in non-OECD countries is 52.6 lm/W.

⁴ Average efficacy of commercial lighting in OECD countries including ballast losses is 51 lm/W.

⁵ Worldwide, industrial sector lighting has an average source-lumen efficacy of 79 lm/W.

⁶ Worldwide, traffic signals consume approximately 19.3 TWh/yr. Worldwide, if all incandescent-based signals were replaced by CFLs the energy saving would be around 15.5 TWh/yr.

⁷ This value is for U.S. only; no good data exists for worldwide savings.

⁸ Mercury vapor lamps provide 30% of outdoor lighting. Electricity savings are calculated by assuming that these mercury vapor lamps, with a luminaire efficacy of 13.5 lm/W, are replaced with tubular high-pressure sodium lamps with a luminaire efficacy of 50 lm/W.

⁹ Assuming that 50% of illuminated hours are off-peak. All lights could be dimmed or 50% of lights could be switched off during non-peak hours.

Source: Calculated by Earth Policy Institute from International Energy Agency (IEA), *Light's Labour's Lost: Policies for Energy-efficient Lighting* (Paris: 2006); a conversion factor of 1.288 used to convert electricity consumption into final consumption calculated from IEA, *World Energy Outlook 2006* (Paris: 2006); IEA Centre for the Analysis and Dissemination of Demonstrated Energy Technologies (CADET), *Saving Energy with Efficient Lighting in Commercial Buildings*, *CADET Maxi Brochure 01* (Sittard, Netherlands: CADET), p. 5.

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Energy Savings from Plan B Efficiency Improvements, 2020

| Sector | Energy Savings in 2020 Petajoules |
|---|--------------------------------------|
| Lighting | 20,434 |
| Appliances | 20,434 |
| Buildings | 6,611 |
| Industry | 30,794 |
| <i>Petrochemical</i> | 11,805 |
| <i>Steel</i> | 5,374 |
| <i>Cement</i> | 3,615 |
| <i>Other (motor systems, aluminum, paper)</i> | 10,000 |
| Transport | <u>78,655</u> |
| Total | <u>156,927</u> |

Summary:

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|---|----------------|
| Projected increase in energy demand from 2006 to 2020 | 138,156 |
| Total energy savings from efficiency improvements in 2020 | <u>156,927</u> |
| Net change in energy demand from 2006 to 2020 | <u>-18,771</u> |

Source: Earth Policy Institute, 2009. Data sources include International Energy Agency (IEA), *World Energy Outlook 2008* (Paris: 2008), pp. 506-07; IEA, *Light's Labour's Lost: Policies for Energy-efficient Lighting* (Paris: 2006), pp. 25, 29; Florian Bressand, et al., *Curbing Global Energy Demand Growth: The Energy Productivity Opportunity* (Washington, DC: McKinsey Global Institute, May 2007), p. 33, 106; Claude Mandil et al., *Tracking Industrial Energy Efficiency and CO₂ Emissions* (Paris: IEA, 2007), pp. 22-25, 39, 59-61, 140.

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