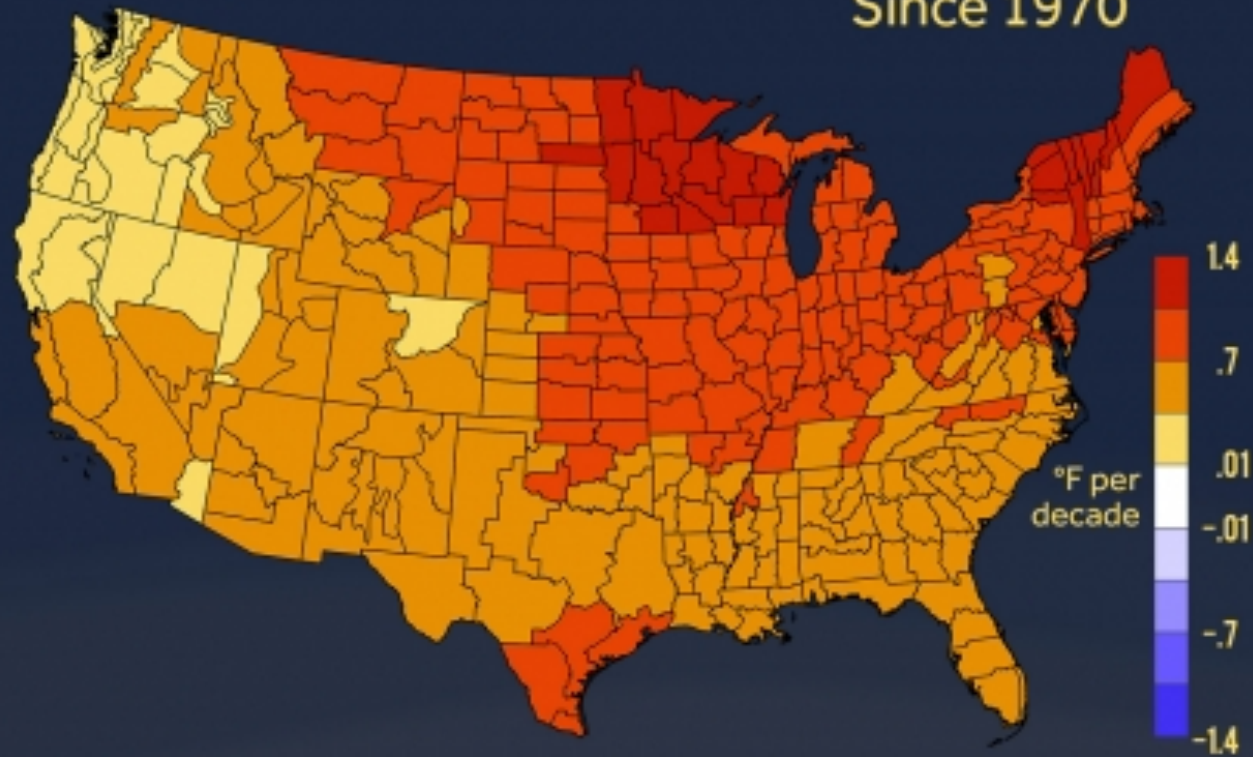


WINTER IS WARMING

Since 1970



Source: NOAA/NCDC Climate at a Glance

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WARMING WINTERS

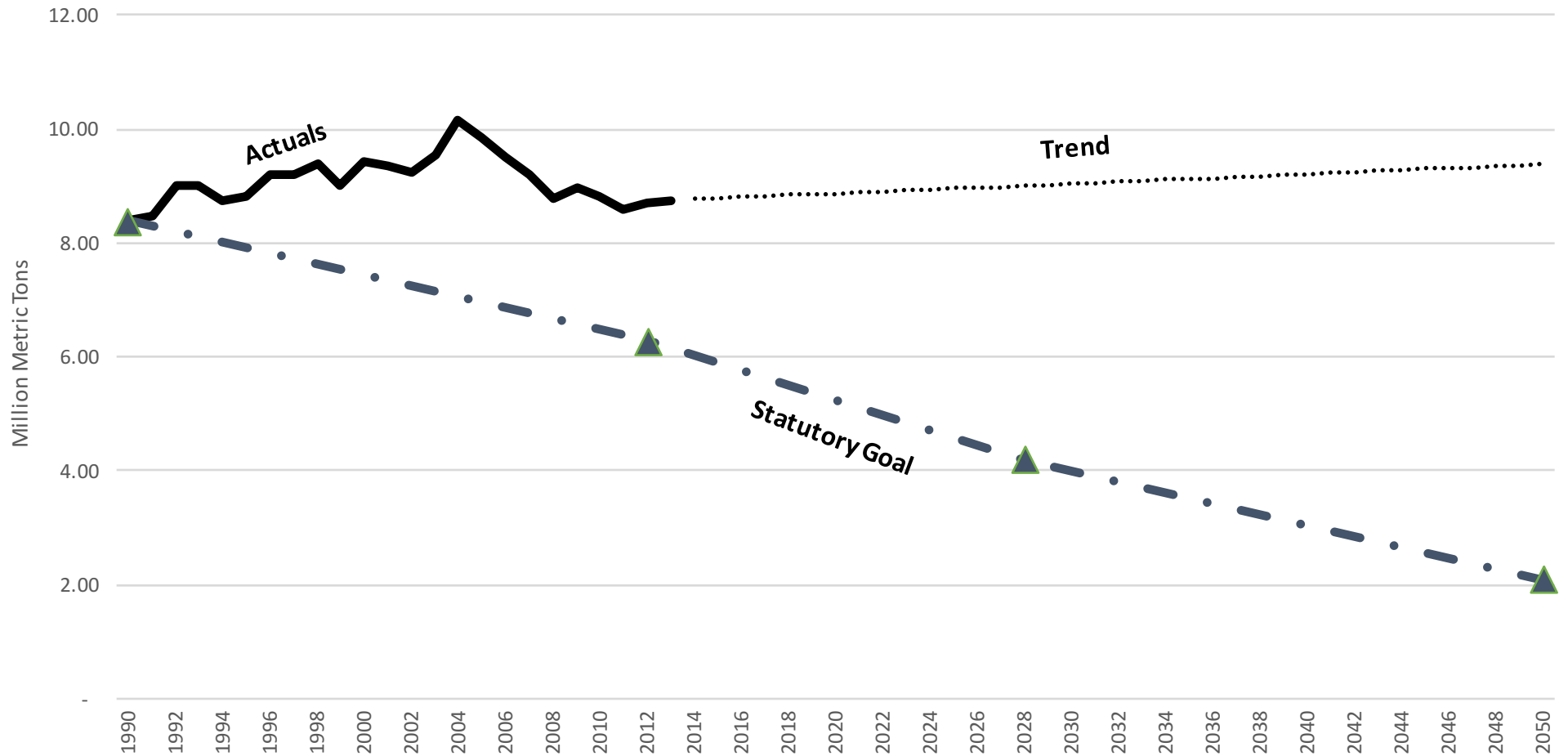
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Vermont Greenhouse Gas Emissions are Rising



Vermont's Clean Energy Jobs Sector:

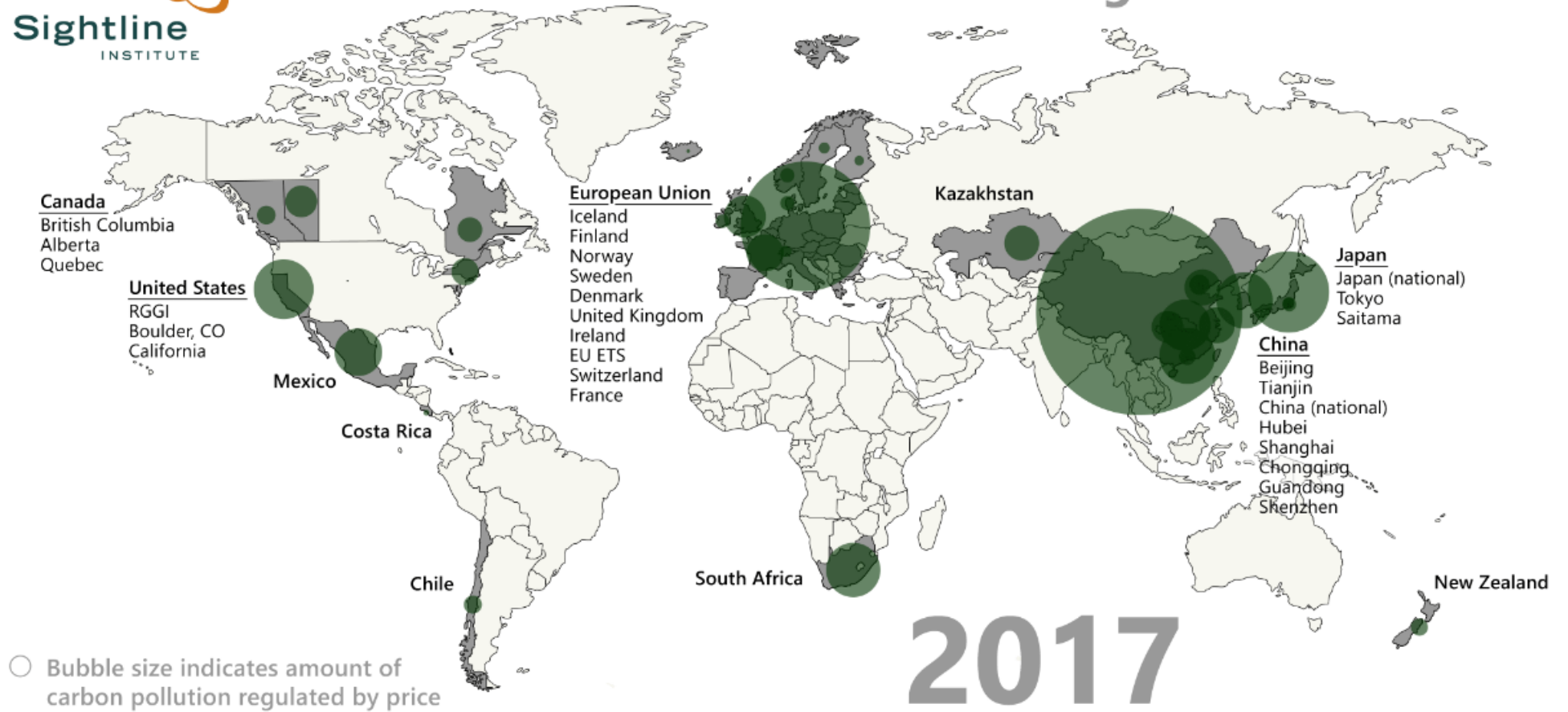
- 1 out of 16 Vermonters work in the efficiency and renewable energy sector.
- Clean energy employment grew 29 percent from 2013-2017.



We import ~ \$2 billion in fossil fuels annually. There is significant job-creating, economic benefit in keeping much more of that money in state.



Carbon Pricing Around the World



Agency of Natural Resources

State of Vermont

Vermont Climate Action Commission

“the Commission recommends an independent, non-partisan evaluation of the full spectrum of regulatory and market-based approaches to reducing GHG, including carbon pricing mechanisms, carbon market opportunities, and regulatory control policies. The Commission recommends the Legislature’s Joint Fiscal Office contract that study...”



Vermont Climate Economy Action Team

“Vermont’s tax structure stimulates economic opportunities, job creation, and affordability while incentivizing the transition to non-fossil fuels. **Conduct a Joint Fiscal Office Study of the pricing of carbon and carbon market structures for Vermont.**”



“...the Mayors call on the Legislature to take two steps in 2018: **Support a study of the Essex Plan**, a revenue neutral proposal that would capitalize on the remarkable Vermont power grid and its renewable energy foundation to help the State reduce carbon emissions while lowering electricity costs.”



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