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# University of New Haven FY18 Sustainability Presentation

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# Why Sustainability?

Sustainability: An ecosystem, a lifestyle, or a community that supports itself and its surroundings

## Globally

*We cannot maintain our quality of life as human beings, the diversity of life on Earth, or Earth's ecosystems unless we embrace Sustainability.*

## Internationally

*Sustainability focuses on balancing the fine line between competing needs – our need to move forward technologically and economically, and the need to protect the environment in which we live in.*

## Regionally

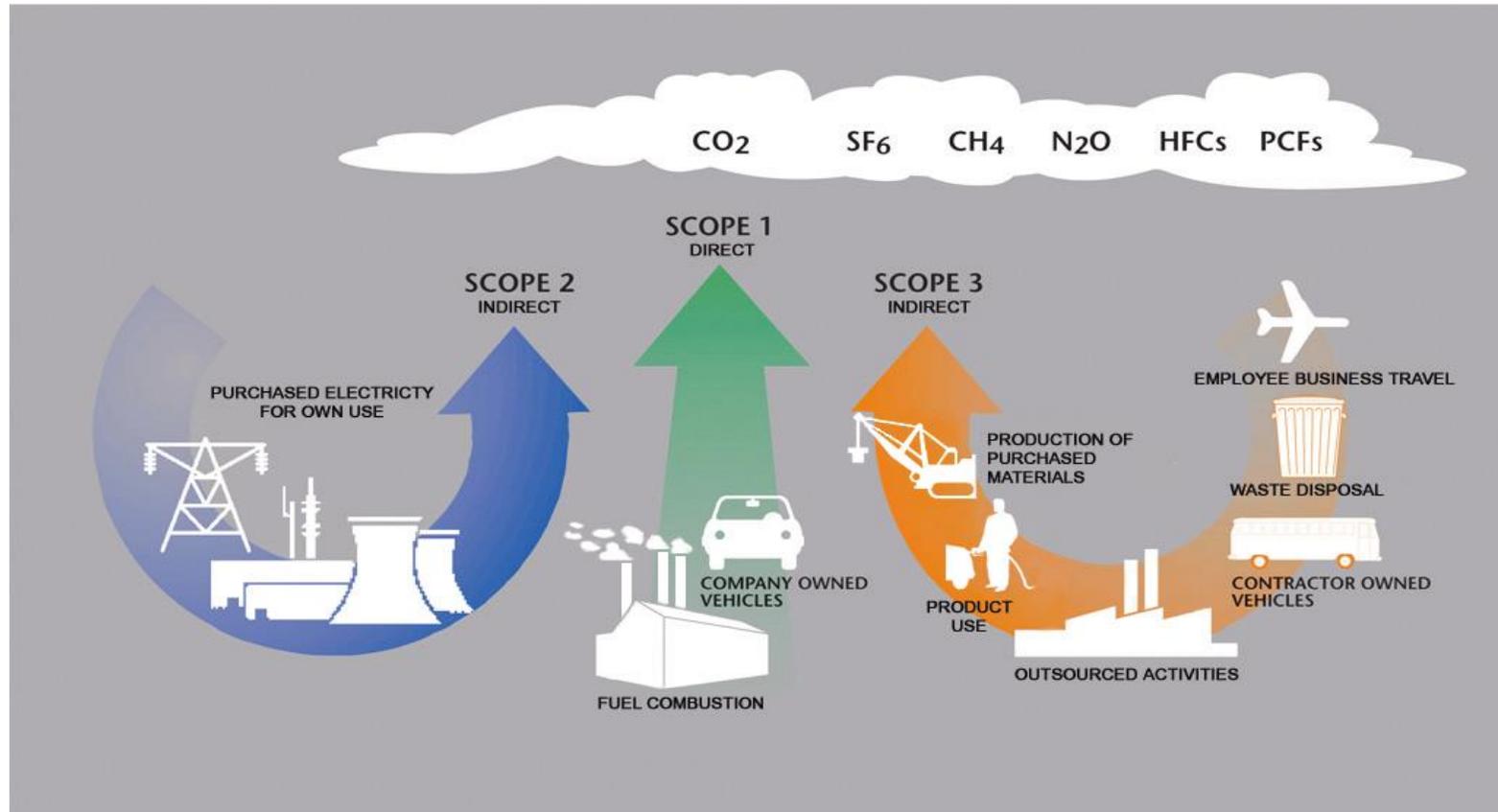
*Sustainable CT strives to create a more sustainable life by respecting the finite capacity of the natural environment, and equitably promoting the health and well-being of its residents.*

## University of New Haven

*seeks to design and implement campus enhancements that nurture a culture of environmental and social responsibility.*

# Typical GHG Emissions by Scope

Slide courtesy of CA-CP (Clean Air Cool Planet)



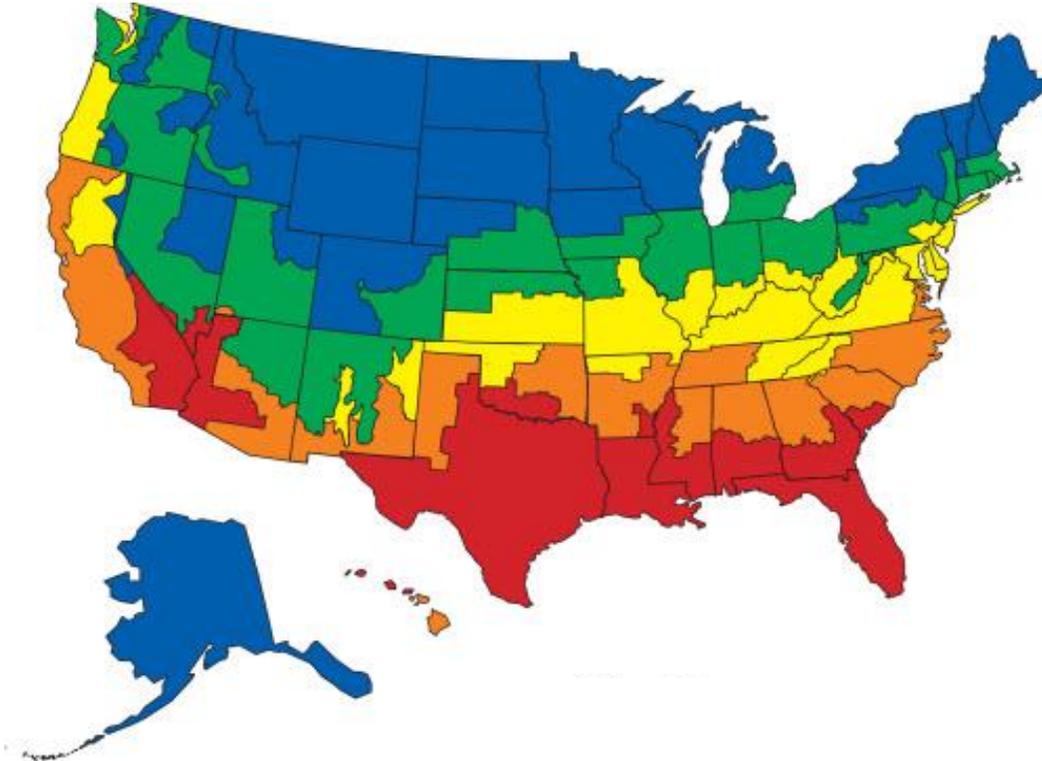
**Scope 2:** Emissions from utility production not at the institution

**Scope 1:** Emissions from the direct activities of the campus

**Scope 3:** Indirect emissions including transportation, waste disposal, etc.

# Peer Institutions Used for Benchmarking

*University of New Haven is located in climate zone 2*



Institution Name	Location
Babson College	Wellesley, MA
Bentley University	Waltham, MA
Emerson College	Boston, MA
Fitchburg State University	Fitchburg, MA
Hamilton College	Clinton, NY
Union College	Schenectady, NY
Worcester State University	Worcester, MA

## Sustainability Solutions Measurement and Analysis Members

- Sightlines has approximately 50 Sustainability Solutions Members
- Approximately two-thirds are private
- Approximately two-thirds have signed the ACUPCC
- Approximately forty percent are Charter Signatories

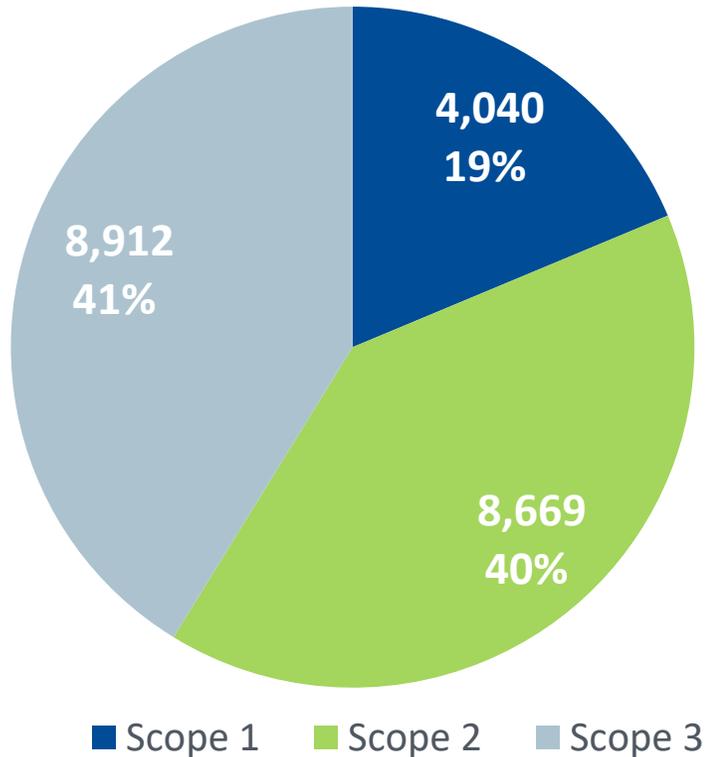
<u>Peer Group Based On</u>
Size
Technical Complexity
Climate Zone

# University of New Haven Sustainability Overview

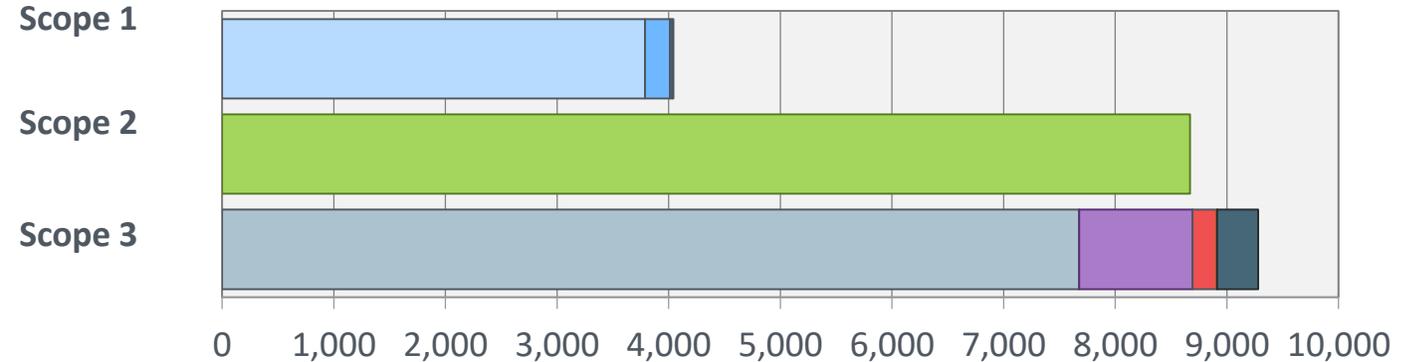


# FY18 Emissions Profile at University of New Haven

Emissions by Scope  
(FY18)

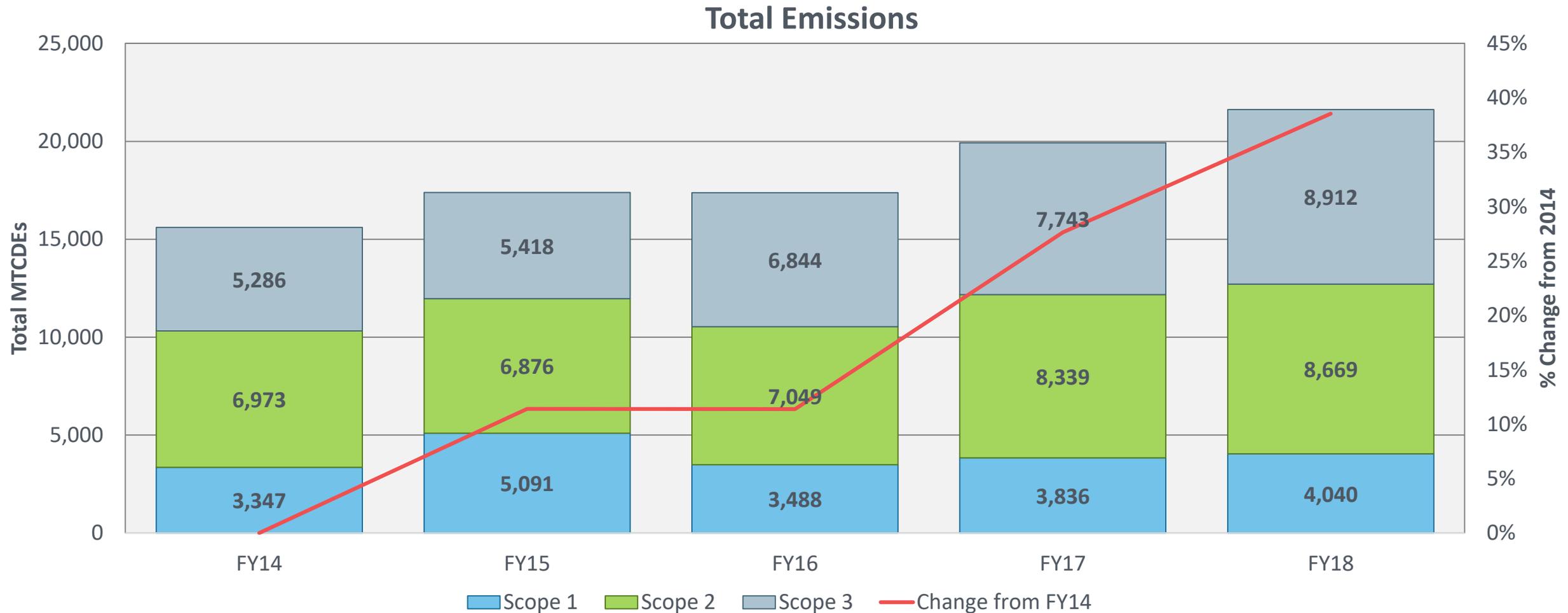


MTCDE by Source  
(FY18)



MTCDE	Scope 3	Scope 2	Scope 1
On-Campus Stationary			3,789
Direct Transportation			222
Refrigerants & Chemicals			19
Fertilizer			10
Purchased Electricity		8,669	
Commuting	7,677		
Travel	1,014		
Waste/Wastewater	217		
Paper Purchases	4		
T&D Losses	367		

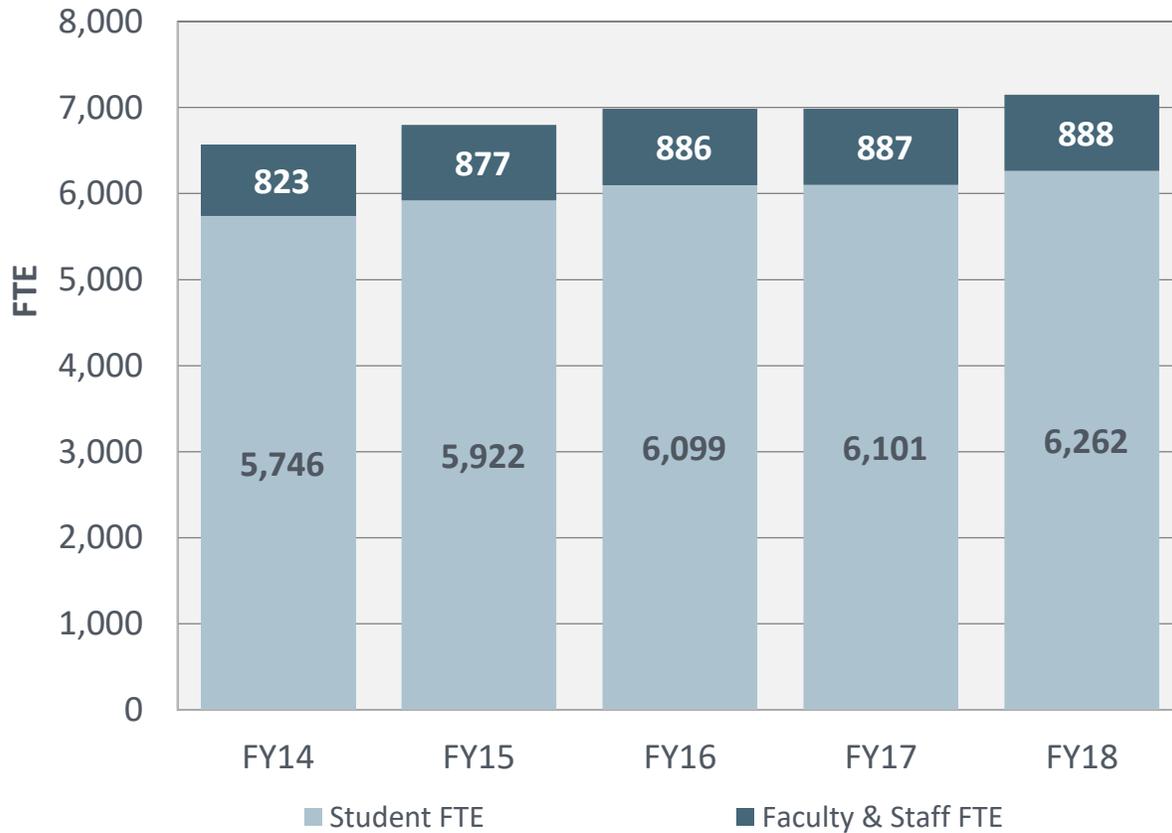
# Historical Emissions Profile – 39% Increase Since FY14



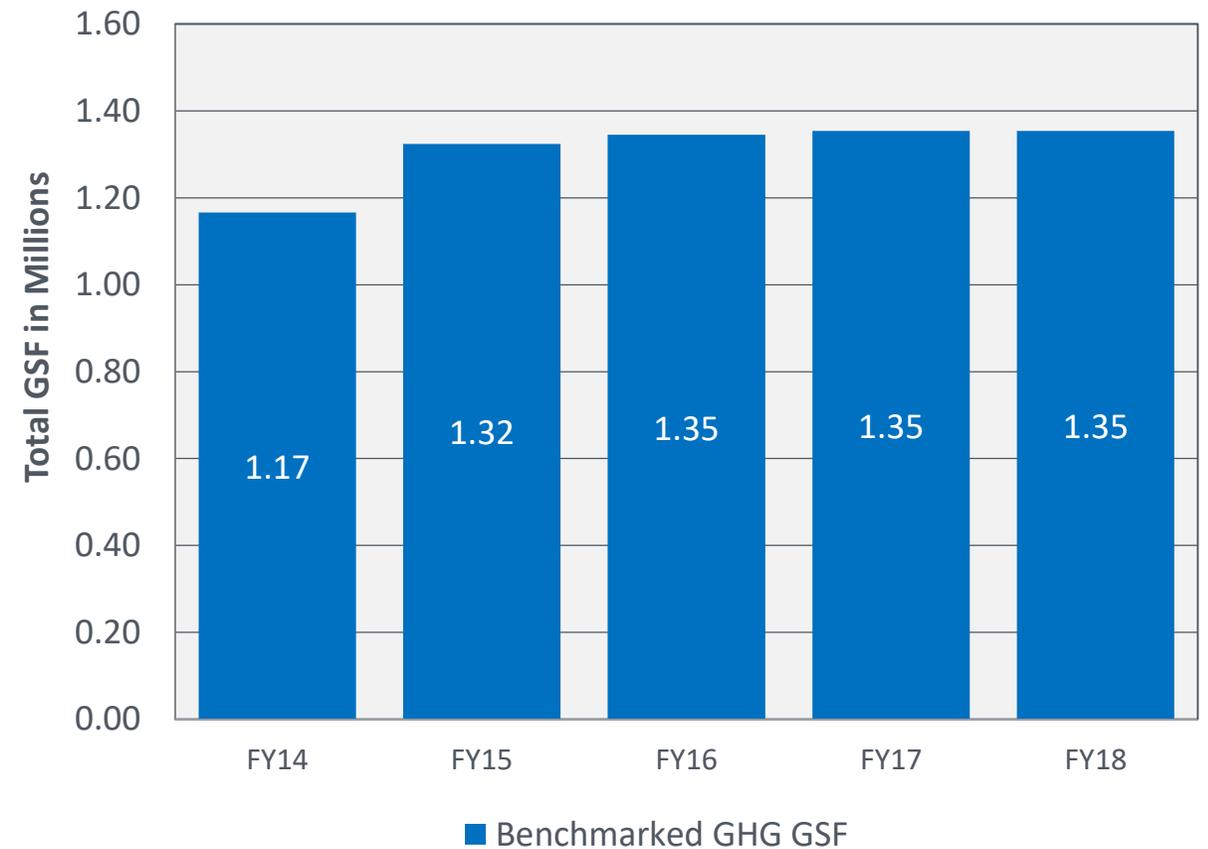
# Benchmarked FTE's and GSF at University of New Haven

*Both FTE's and space have grown since FY14*

### Campus Users Over Time

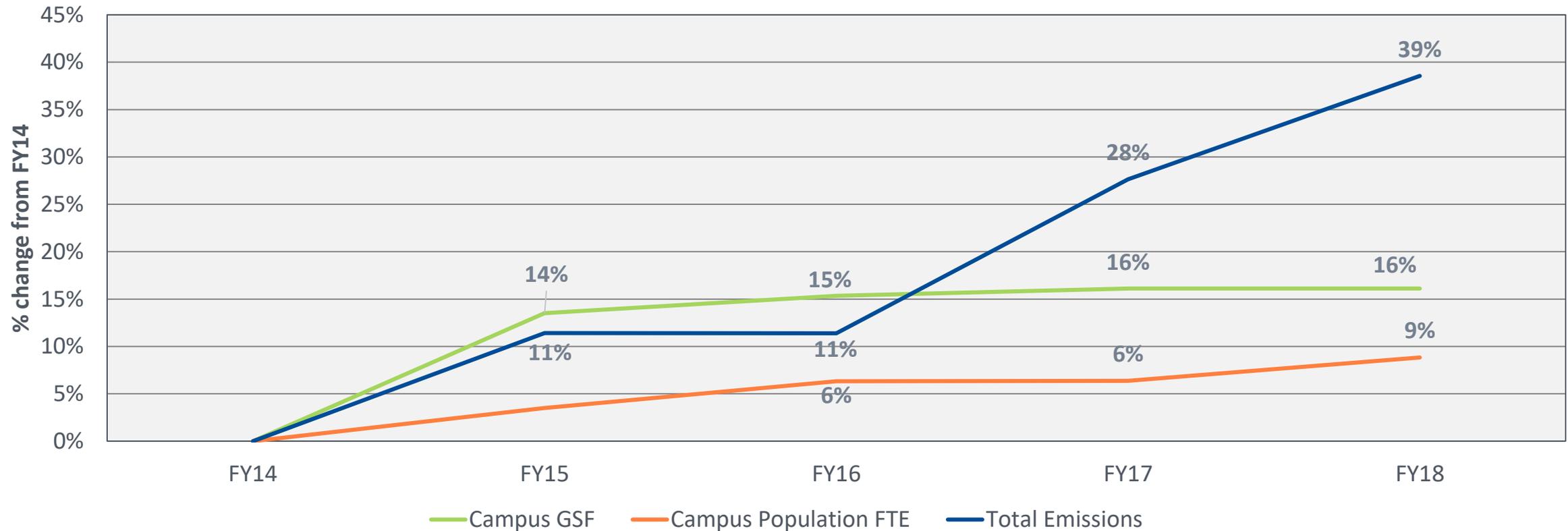


### GSF Over Time



# Comparing Changes in Emissions to Changes on Campus

Change in Emissions vs. Change in Campus Size and Population  
Baseline in FY14



# Two Different Ways to Benchmark GHG Emissions

## GHG Emissions per Student



Stresses efficient use of space.

$$\frac{\text{Gross GHG Emissions}}{\text{Total Student FTE}}$$

## GHG Emissions per 1,000 EUI Adjusted Floor Area



Stresses intensity of operations and behaviors.

$$\frac{\text{Gross GHG Emissions}}{\text{Total GSF in Footprint}} \times 1,000$$

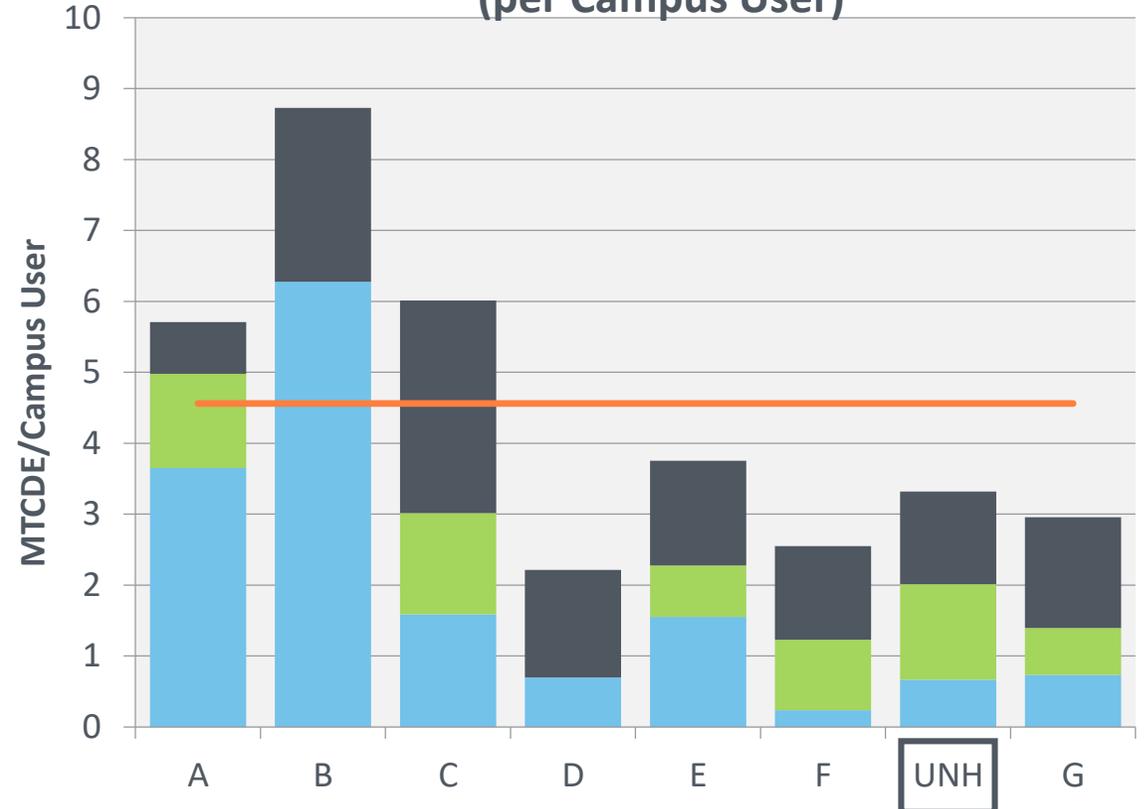
# GHG Emission Peer Benchmarks

*Campus User includes all Staff, Student, and Faculty Full-Time Equivalents (FTE)*

University of New Haven Historical Emissions  
(per Campus User)



FY18 Reported Emissions vs Peers  
(per Campus User)



Peers listed by density factor

Campus User = all Staff, Student & Faculty Full Time Equivalent (FTE)



Scope I



Scope II



Scope III

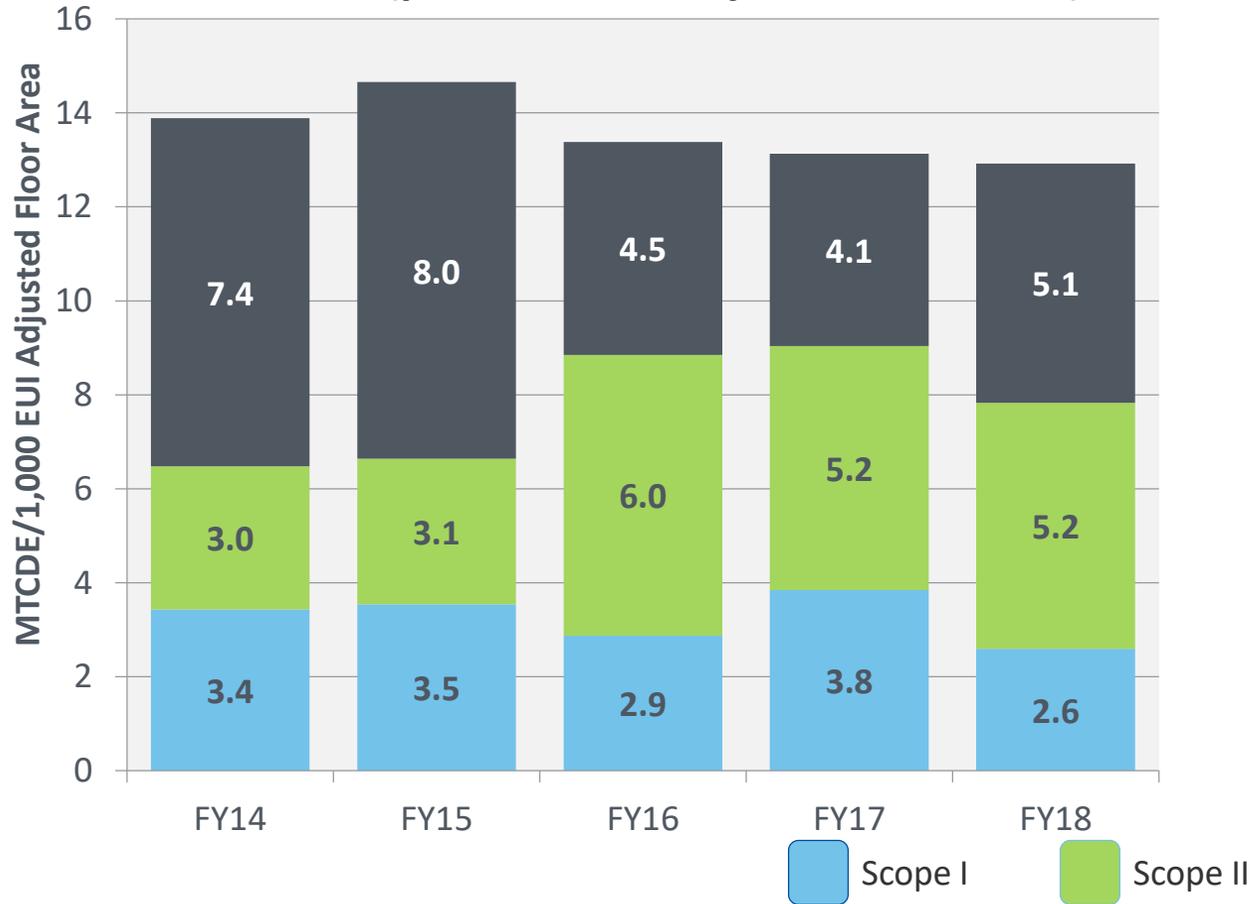
Peer Average (6.8)

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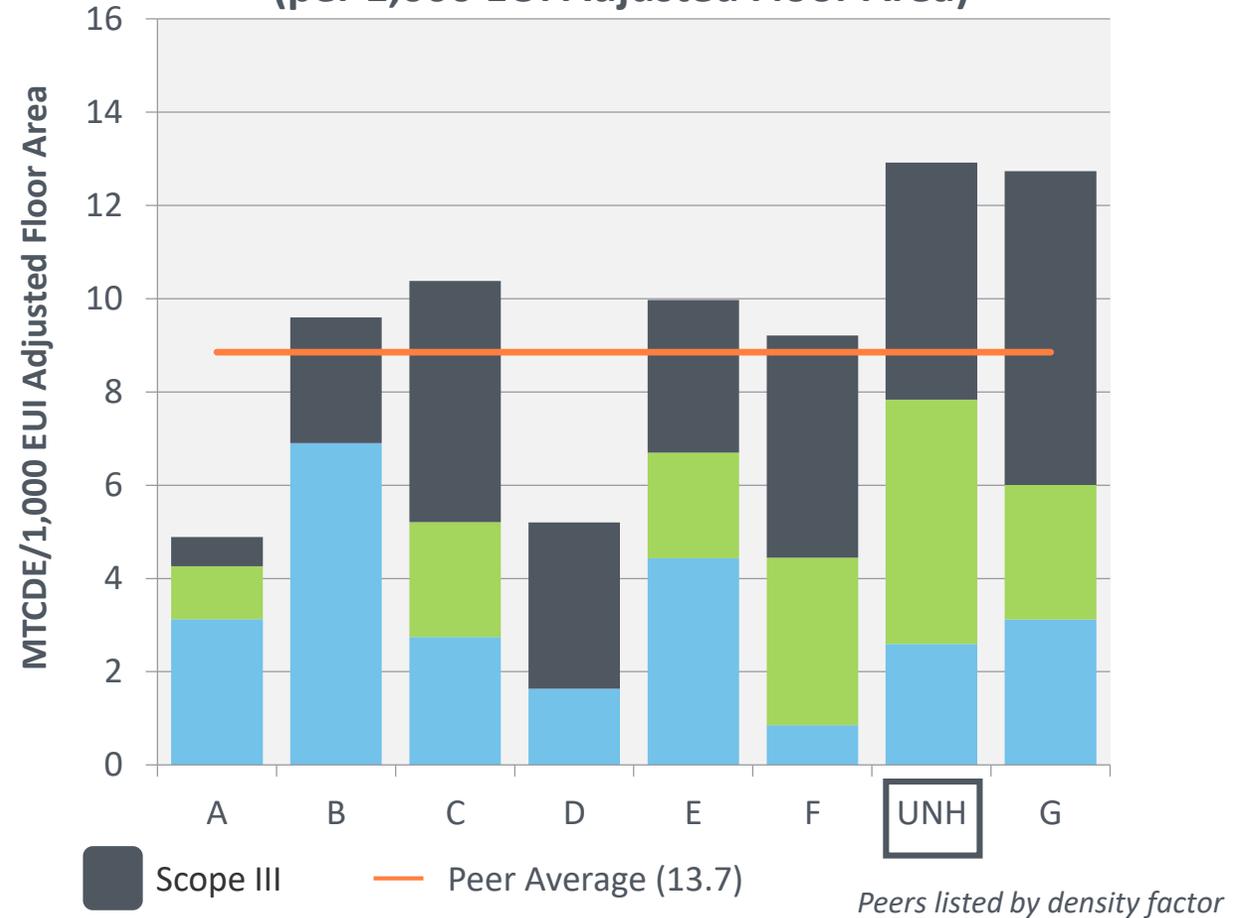
# GHG Emission Peer Benchmarks

*GSF calculated using new GHG Protocol on SIMAP slide*

University of New Haven Historical Emissions  
(per 1,000 EUI Adjusted Floor Area)



FY18 Reported Emissions vs Peers  
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# Scope 1

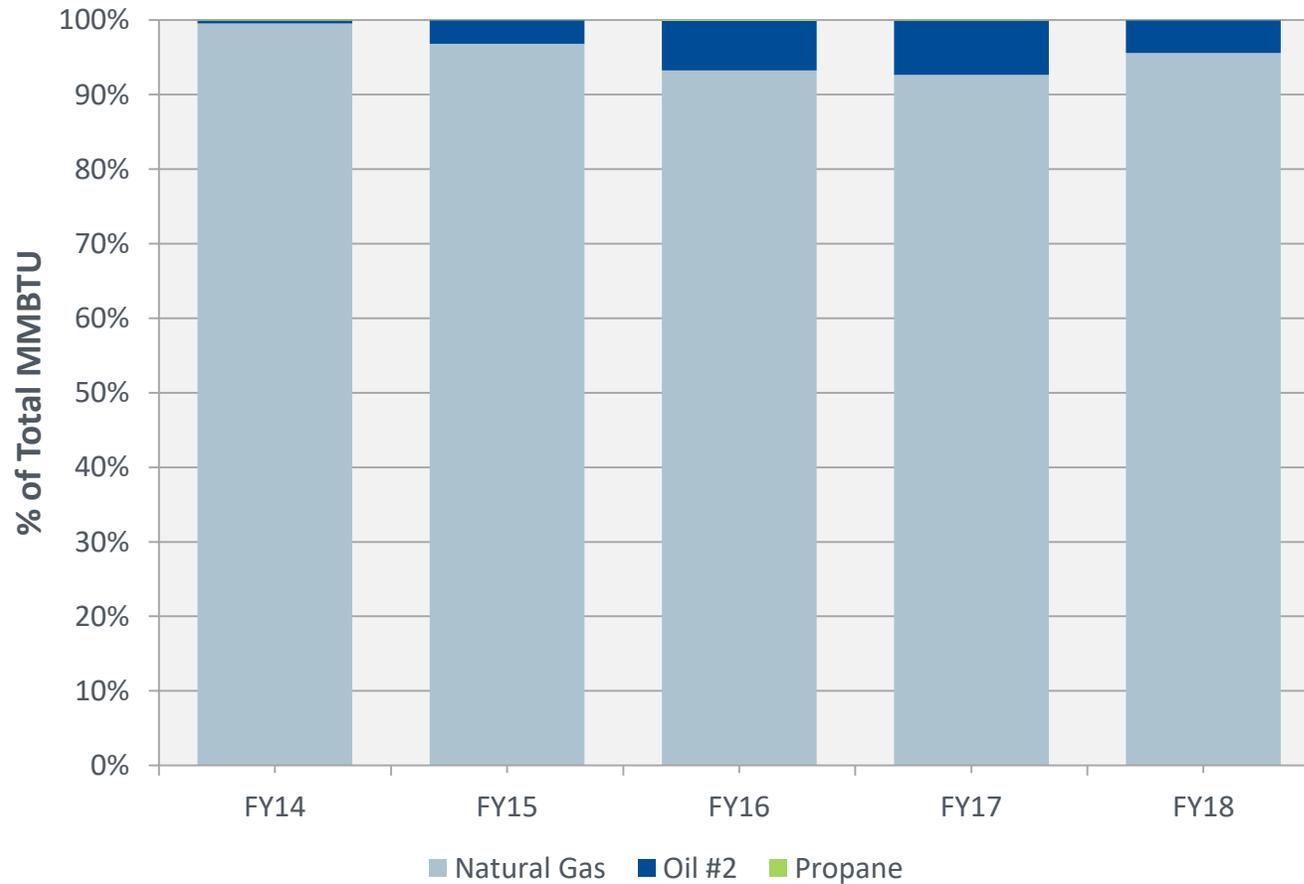
*Stationary fuel consumption*



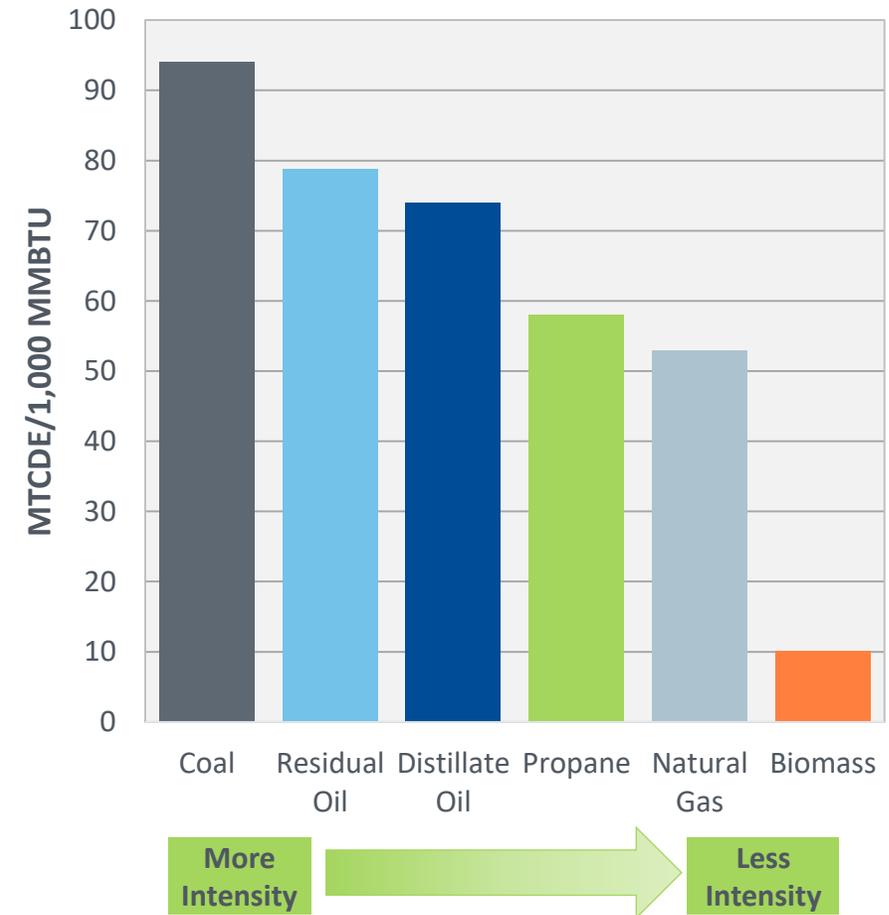
# Scope 1 Stationary: Fuel Mix

*New Haven benefits from consuming mainly a low carbon intensity fuel, natural gas*

University of New Haven Longitudinal Fuel Mix



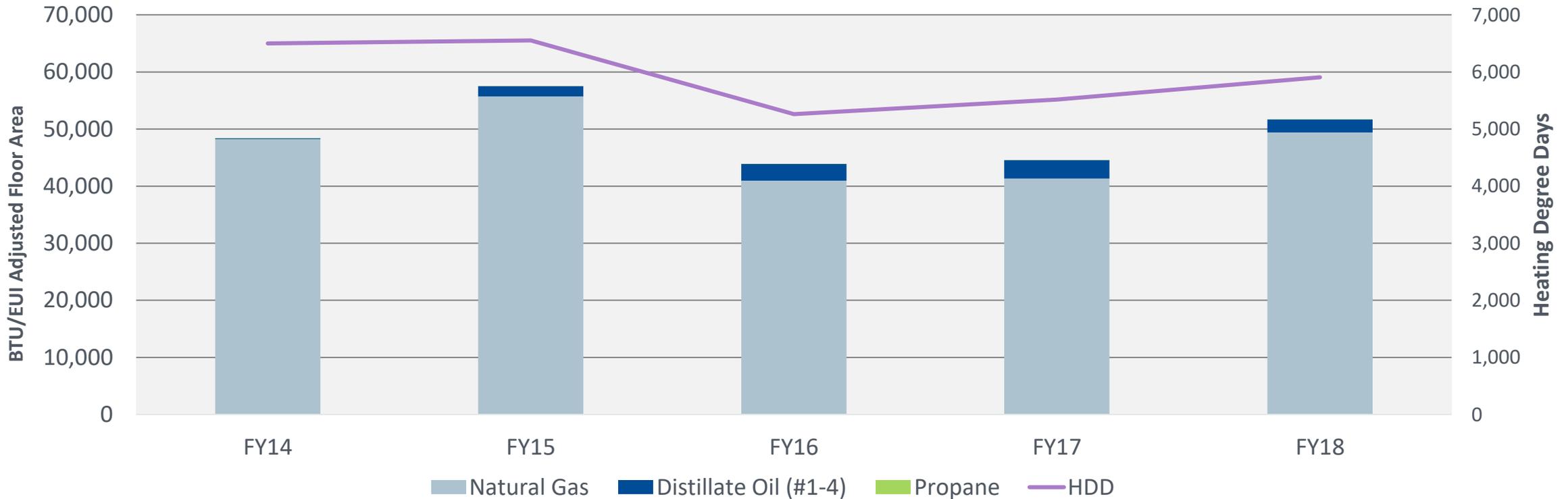
Carbon Intensity of Commonly Used Fuels



# Impact of Weather on Energy Consumption

Heating degree days can influence Natural Gas consumption

### Total University of New Haven Historic Stationary Consumption with Degree Days

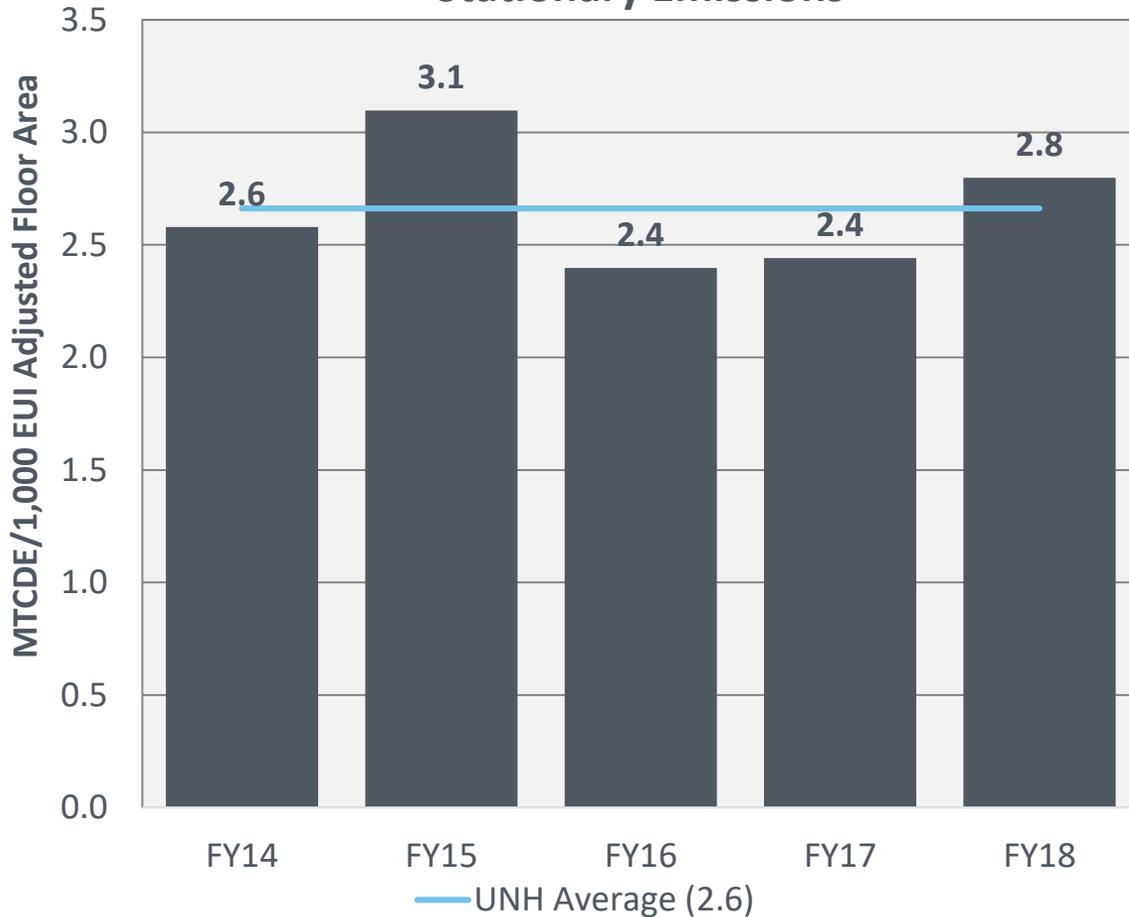


**Heating Degree Day (HDD):** The number of degrees that a day's average temperature is below 65° Fahrenheit (18° Celsius), which is the temperature below which buildings need to be heated.

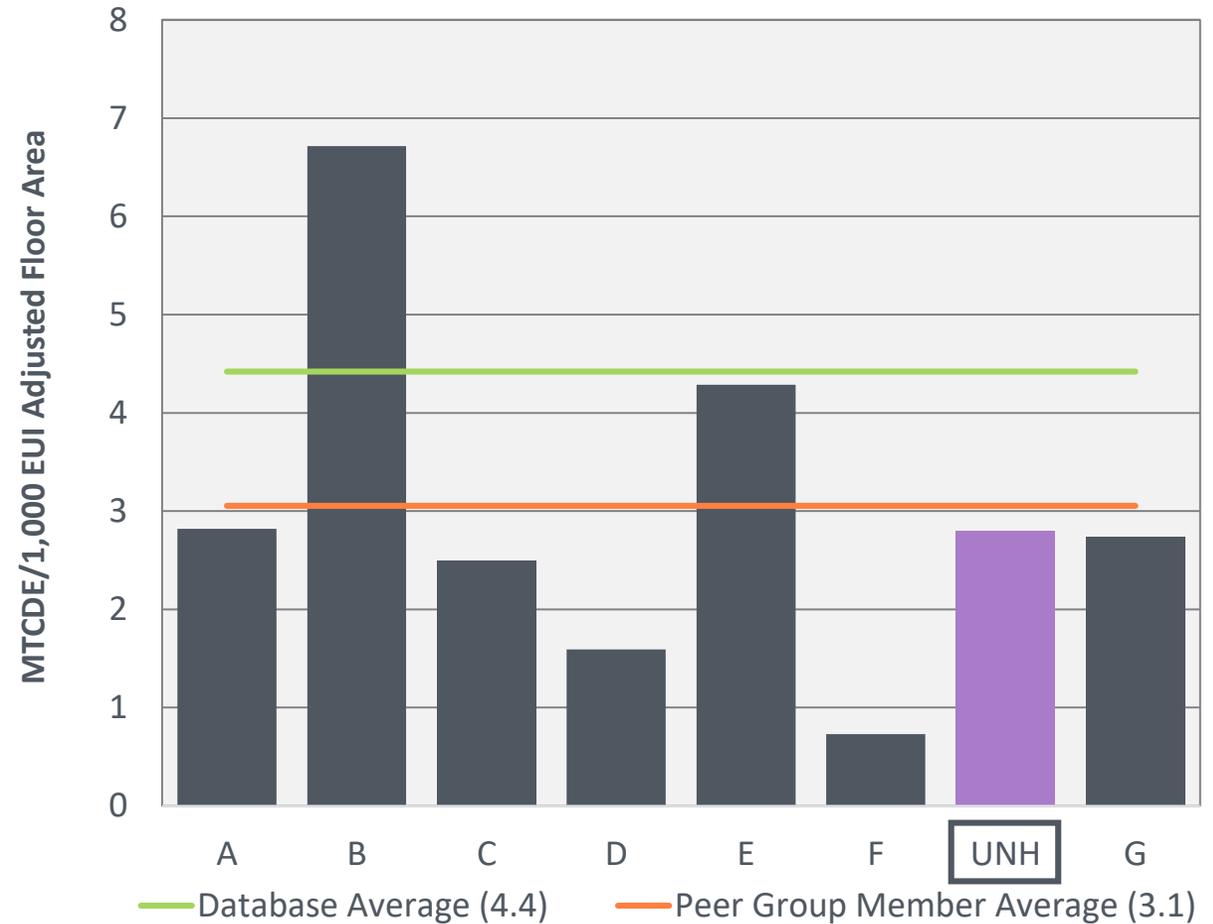
# Stationary Emissions Driven by Consumption Levels

*Increased fossil fuel efficiency leads to improved stationary fuel performance*

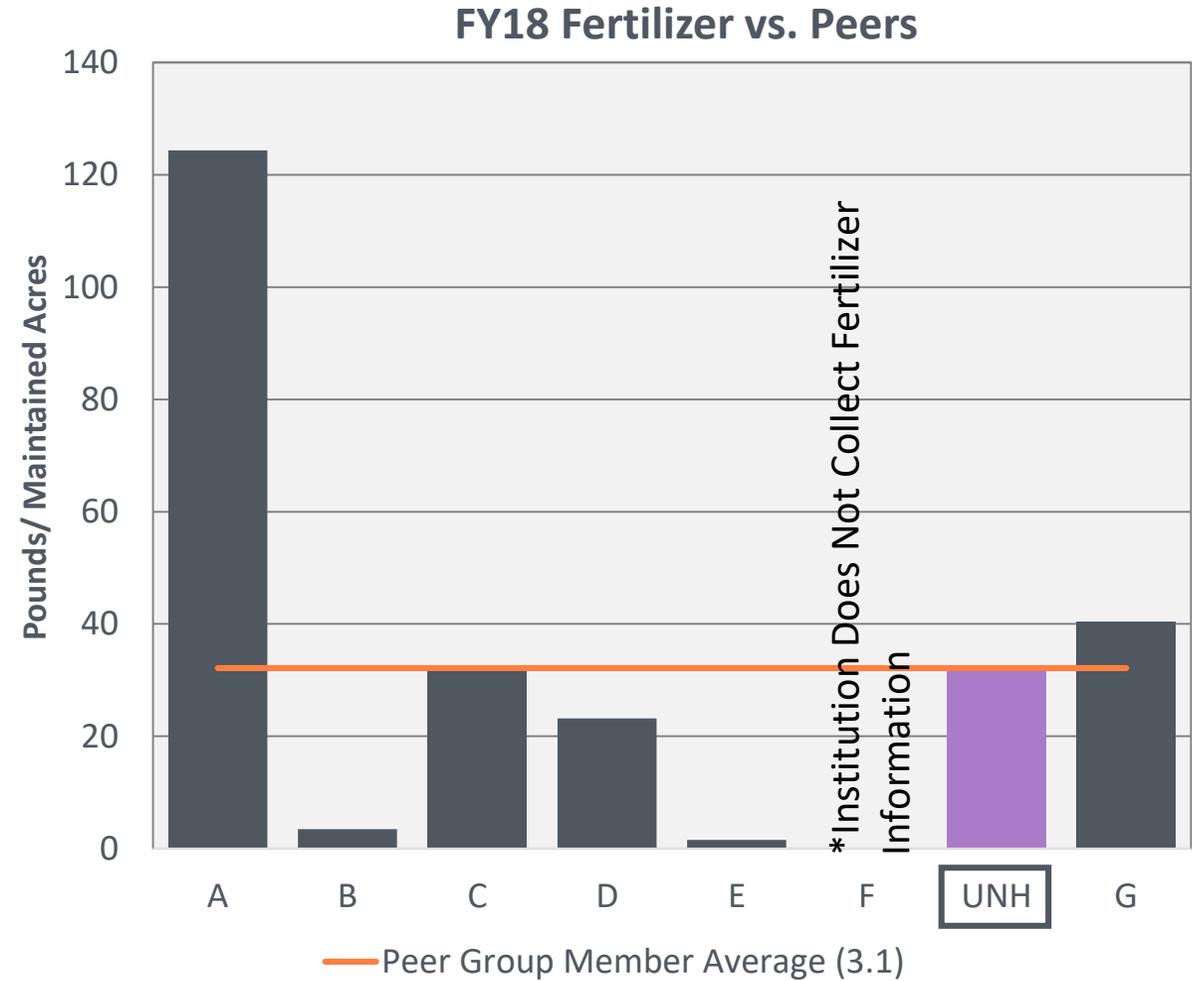
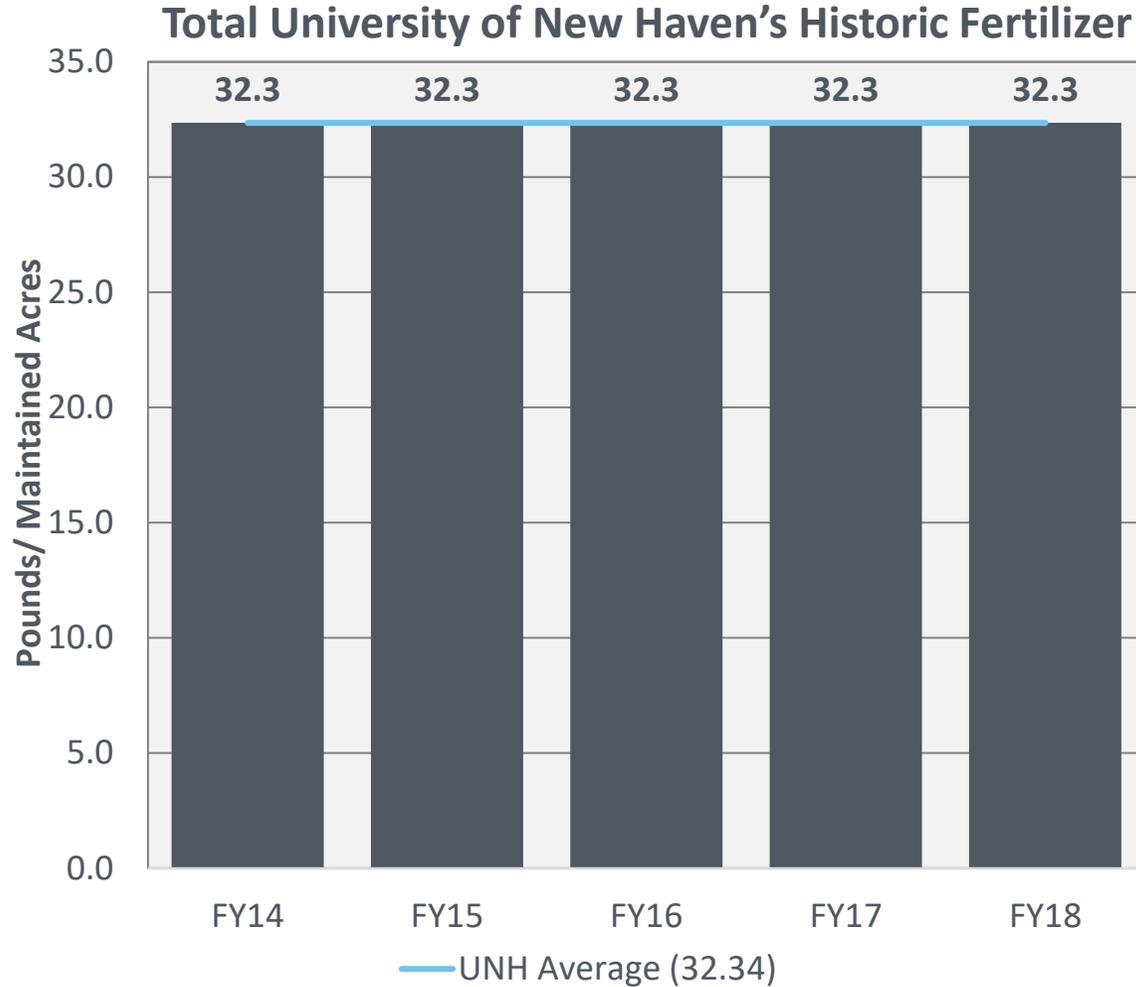
Total University of New Haven's Historic  
Stationary Emissions



FY18 Stationary Emissions vs. Peers

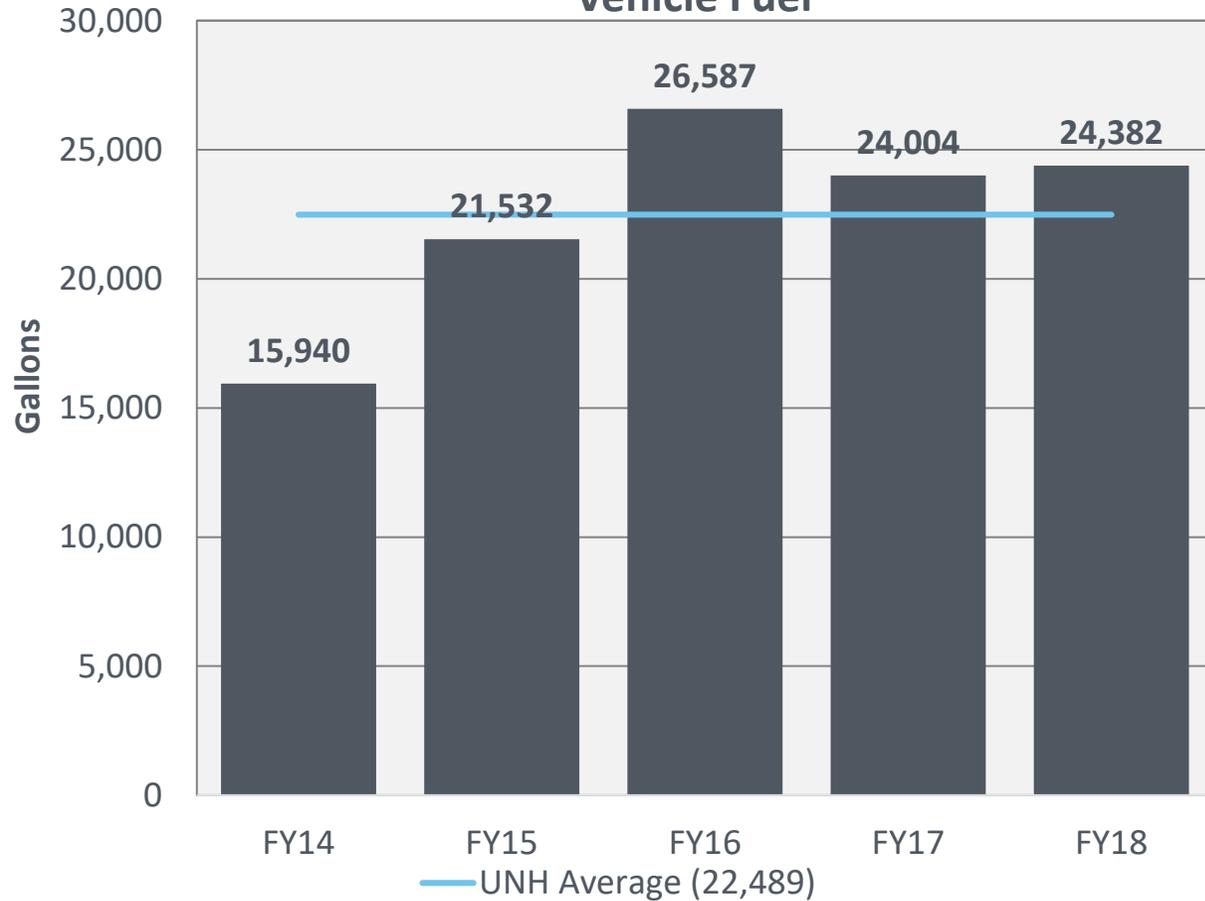


# Fertilizer Consumption Compared to Peers

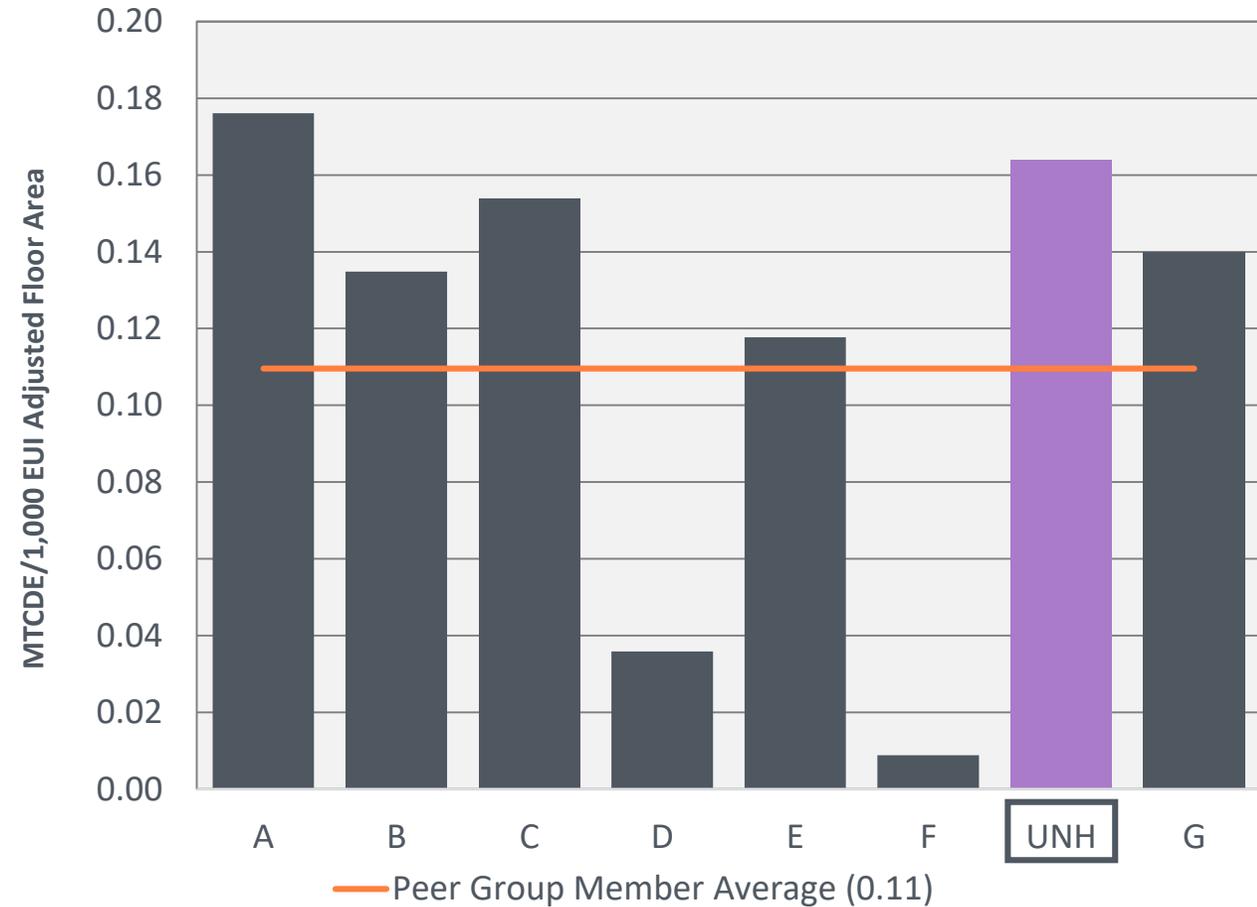


# Fleet Vehicle Fuel Compared to Peers

Total University of New Haven's Historic Fleet Vehicle Fuel



FY18 Fleet Vehicle Fuel vs. Peers



# Scope 2 Profile:

*Purchased electricity (Location Based vs. Peers)*

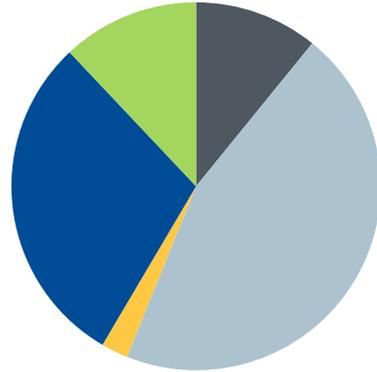
*Purchased electricity (Market Based Reporting)*



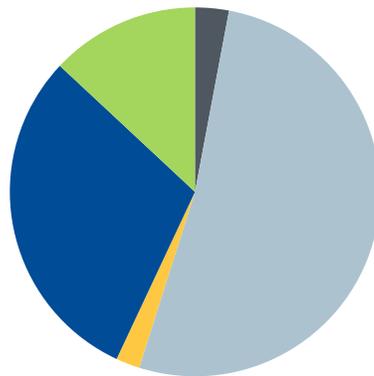
# Scope 2 Purchased Electric: Fuel Mix

University of New Haven is located in a less carbon intense region

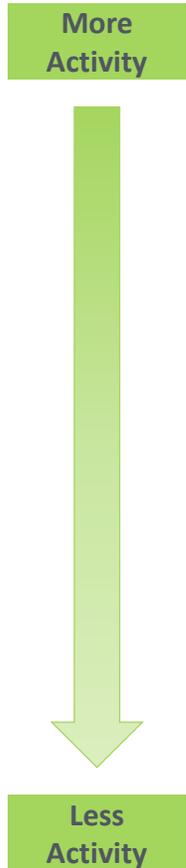
NEWE Grid Fuel Mix (2010)



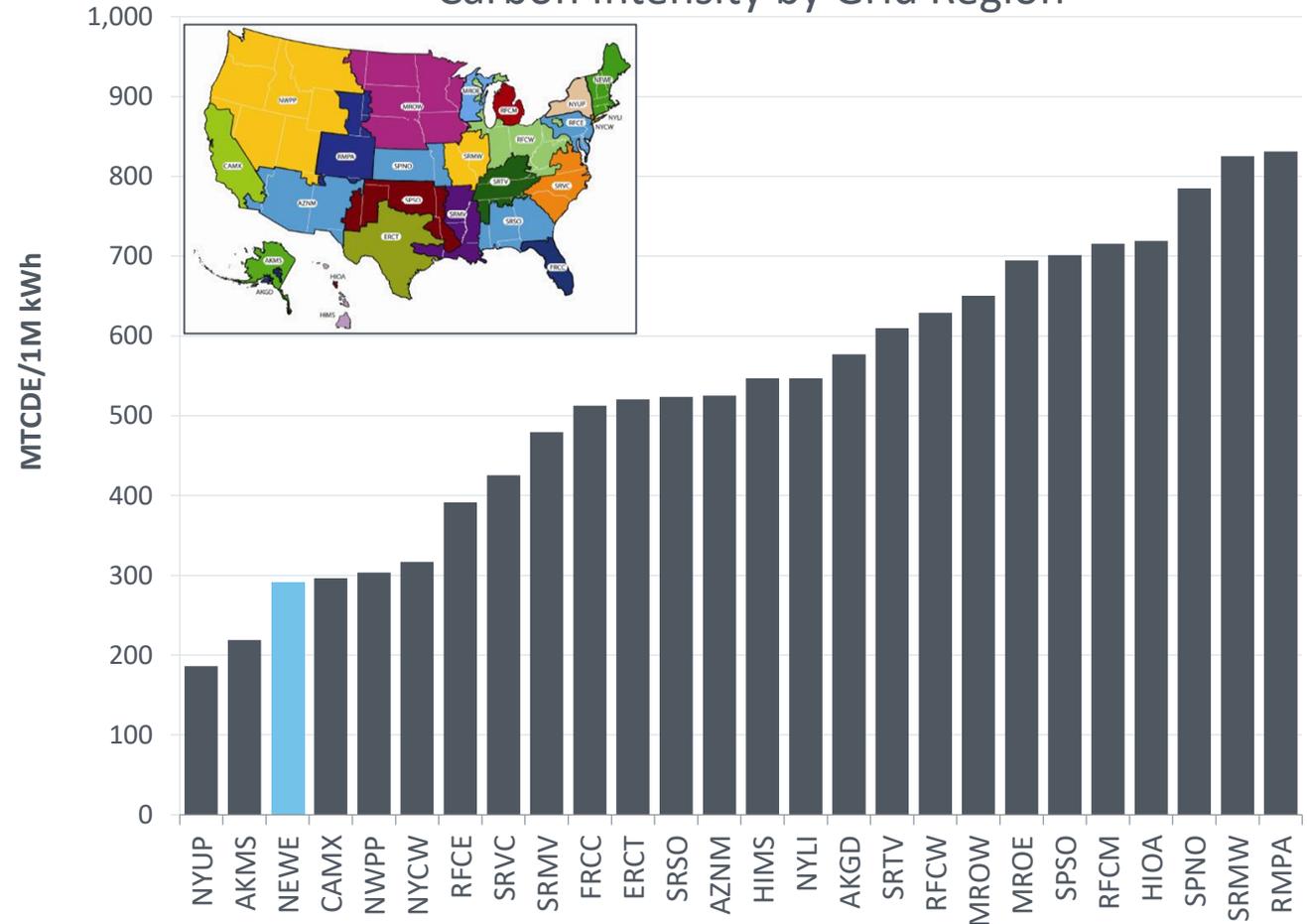
NEWE Grid Fuel Mix (2012)



■ Coal ■ Natural Gas ■ Other Fossil ■ Nuclear ■ Renewable

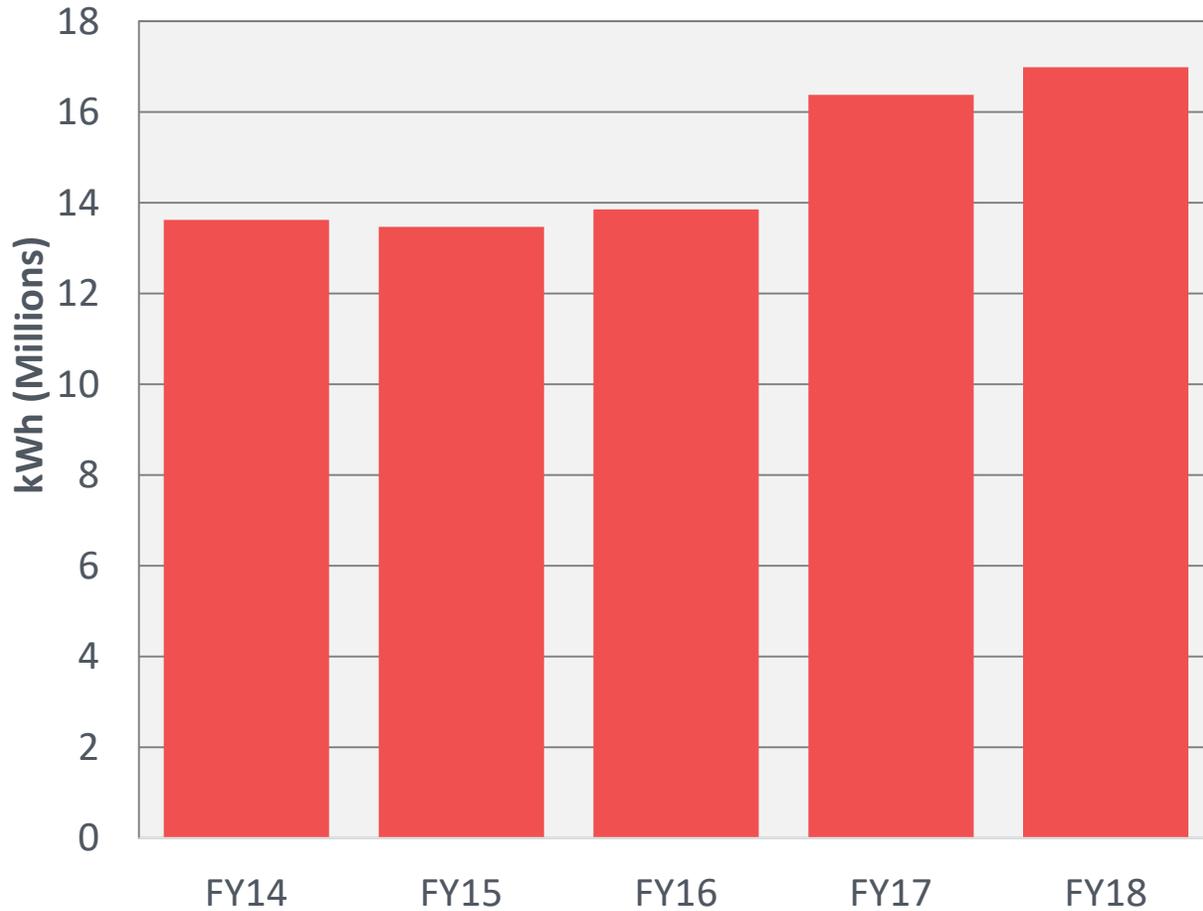


Carbon Intensity by Grid Region

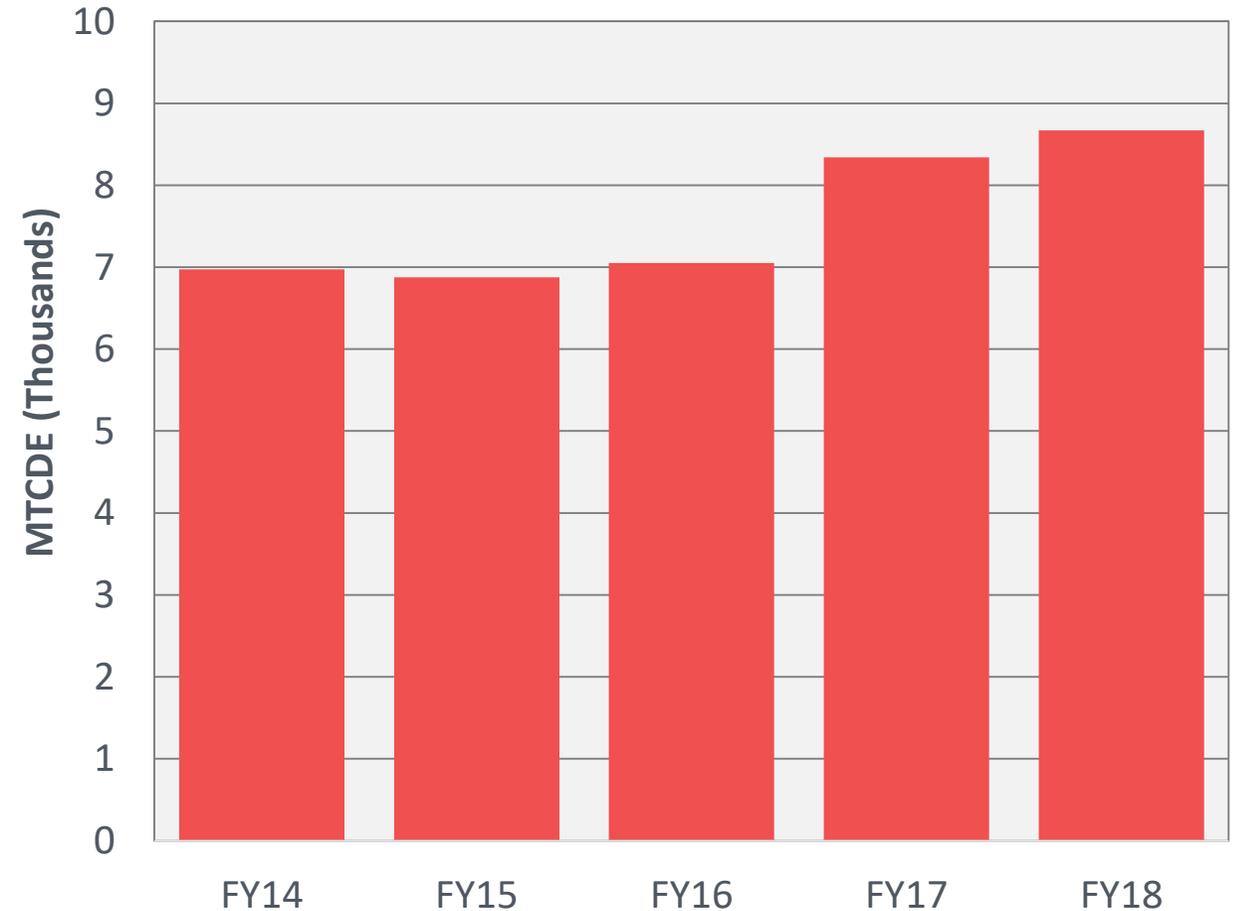


# Scope 2 Consumption & Emissions Over Time

### Electric Consumption Over Time



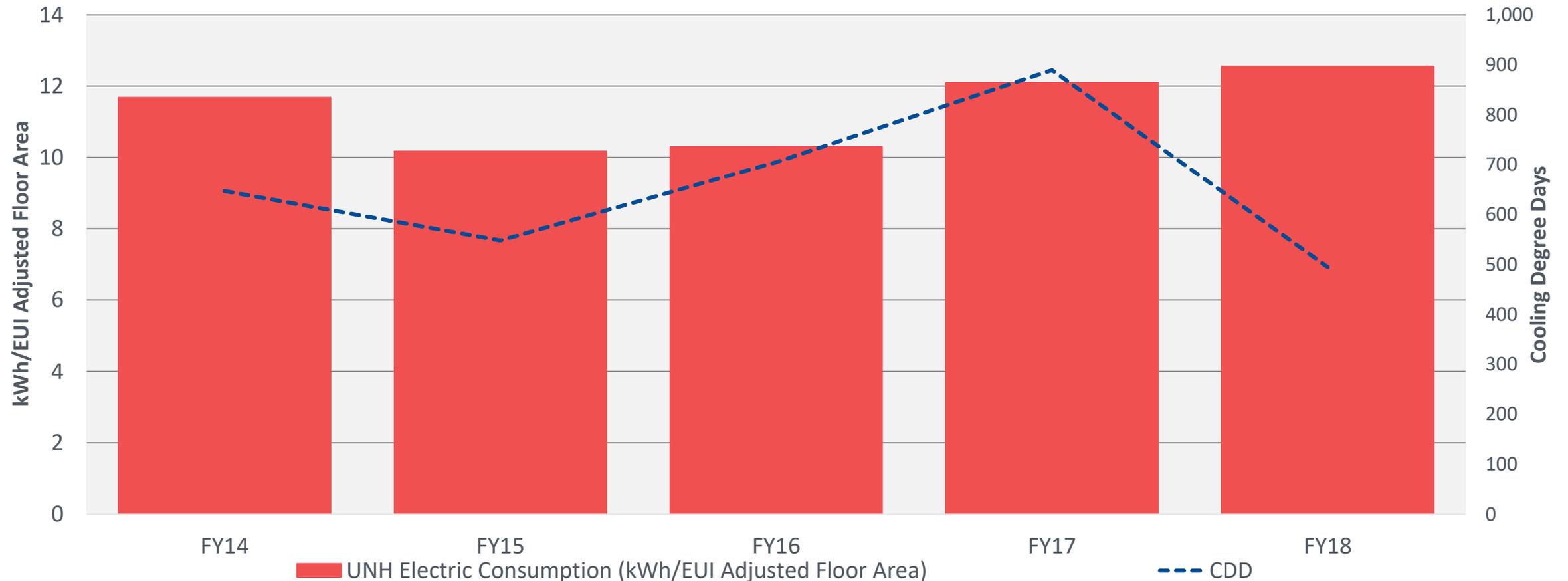
### Total Scope 2 Emissions Over Time



# Impact of Weather on Electric Consumption

University of New Haven's electric consumption has increased since FY16 despite having fewer CDD in FY18

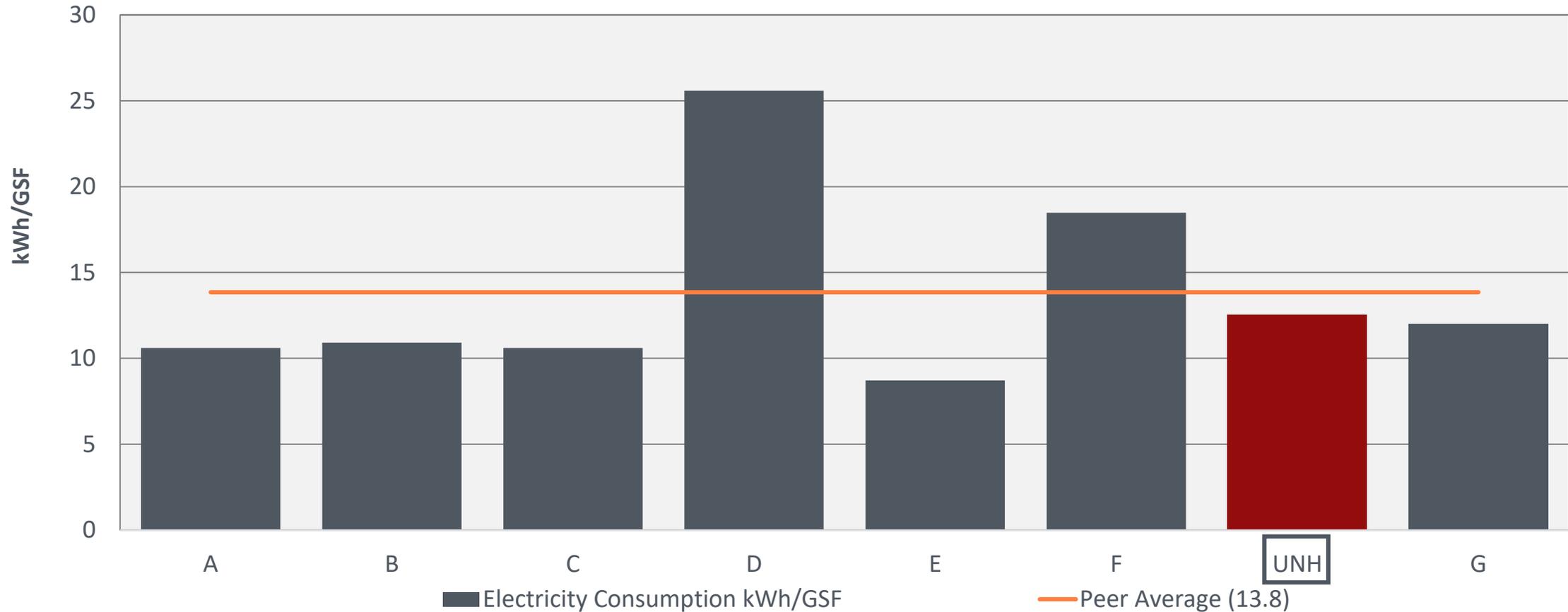
Total University of New Haven Electric Consumption with Degree Days



**Cooling Degree Days (CDD)** measure how hot the temperature was on a given day or over a period of days. A day with a mean temperature of 80°F has 15 CDD. If the next day has a mean temperature of 83°F, it has 18 CDD. The total CDD for the two days is 33 CDD.

# Purchased Electricity & Carbon Intensity

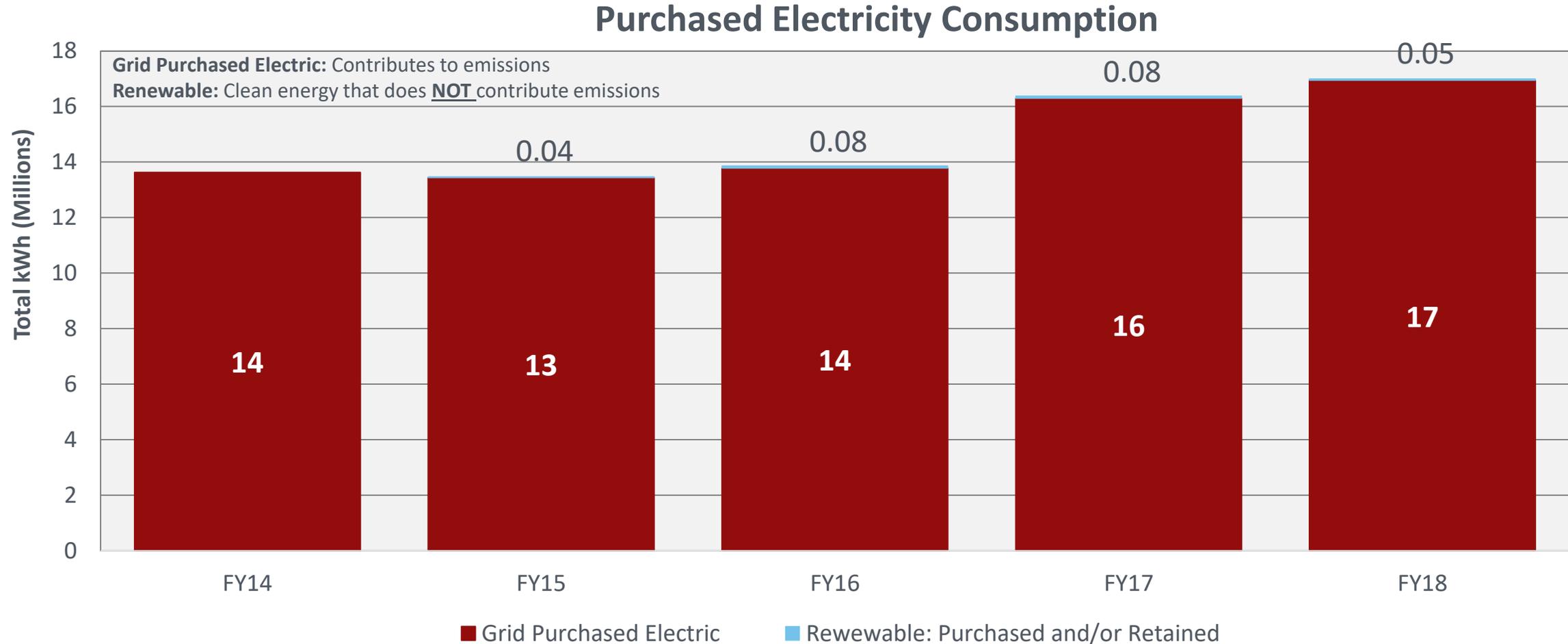
### Purchased Electricity Consumption vs. Regional Grid Carbon Intensity



Peers listed by density factor

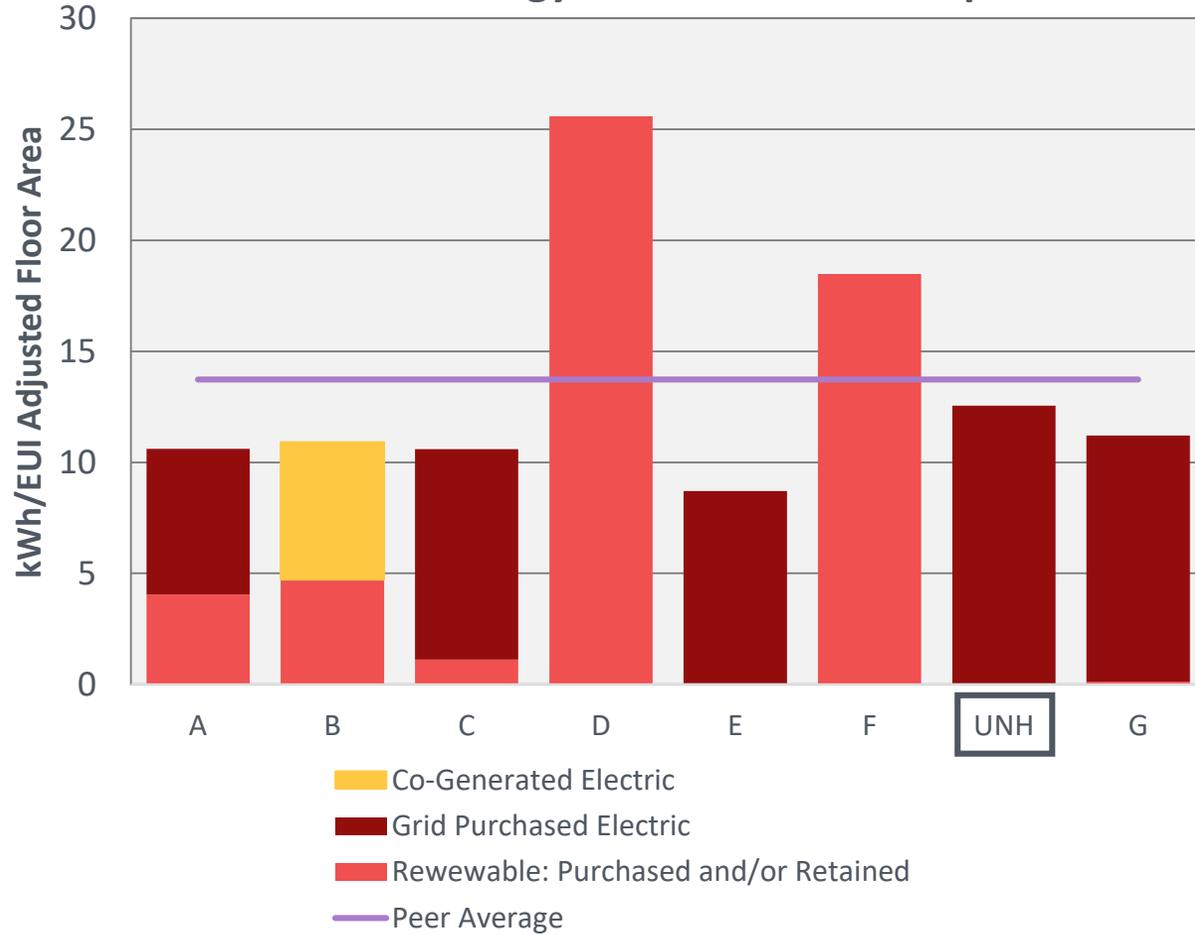
# Market Based Reporting Electric Consumption

Comparing grid purchased kWh with renewable kWh

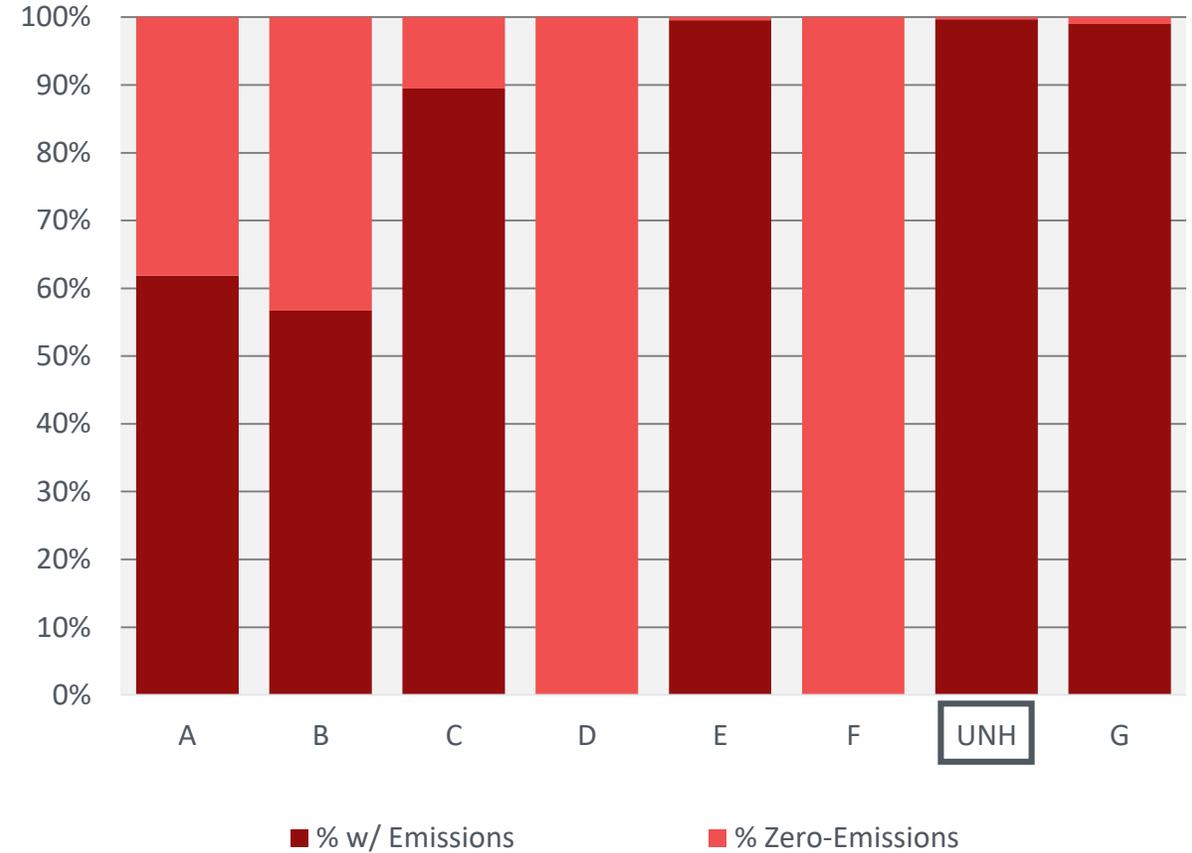


# Market Based Reporting vs Peers

### How Energy is Procured on Campus



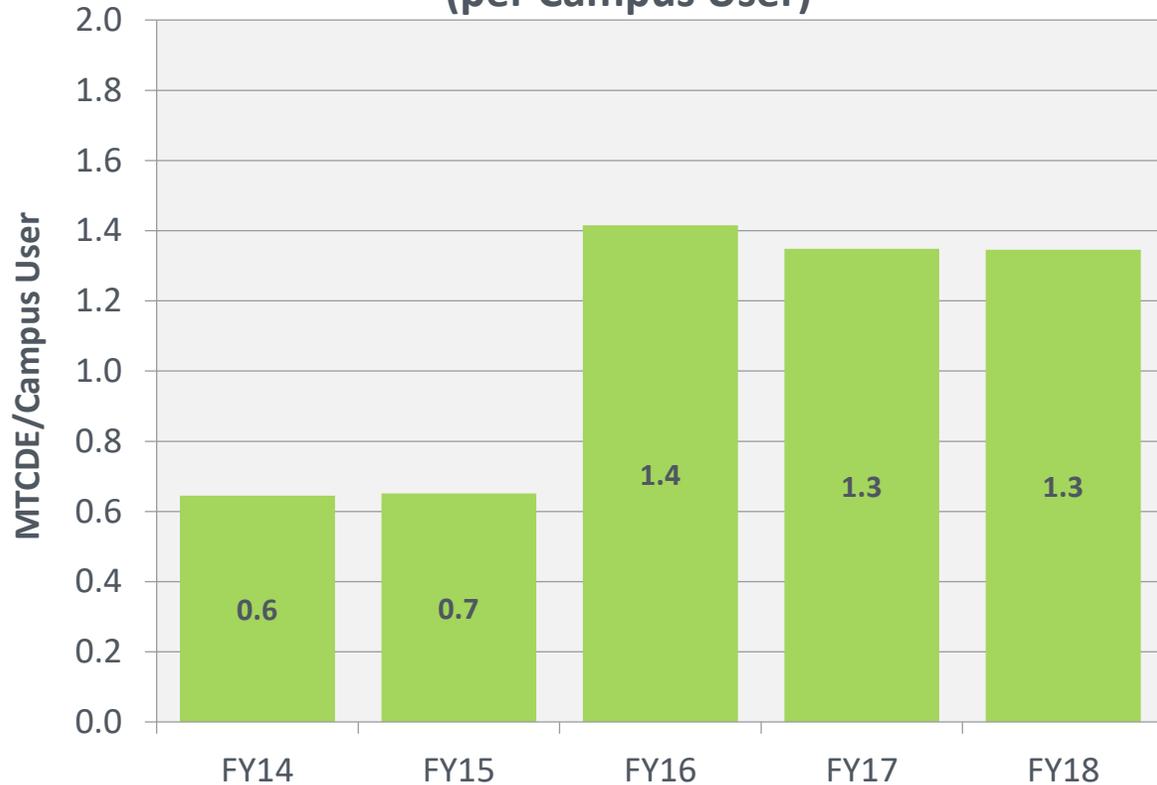
### % Electricity with Zero Emissions



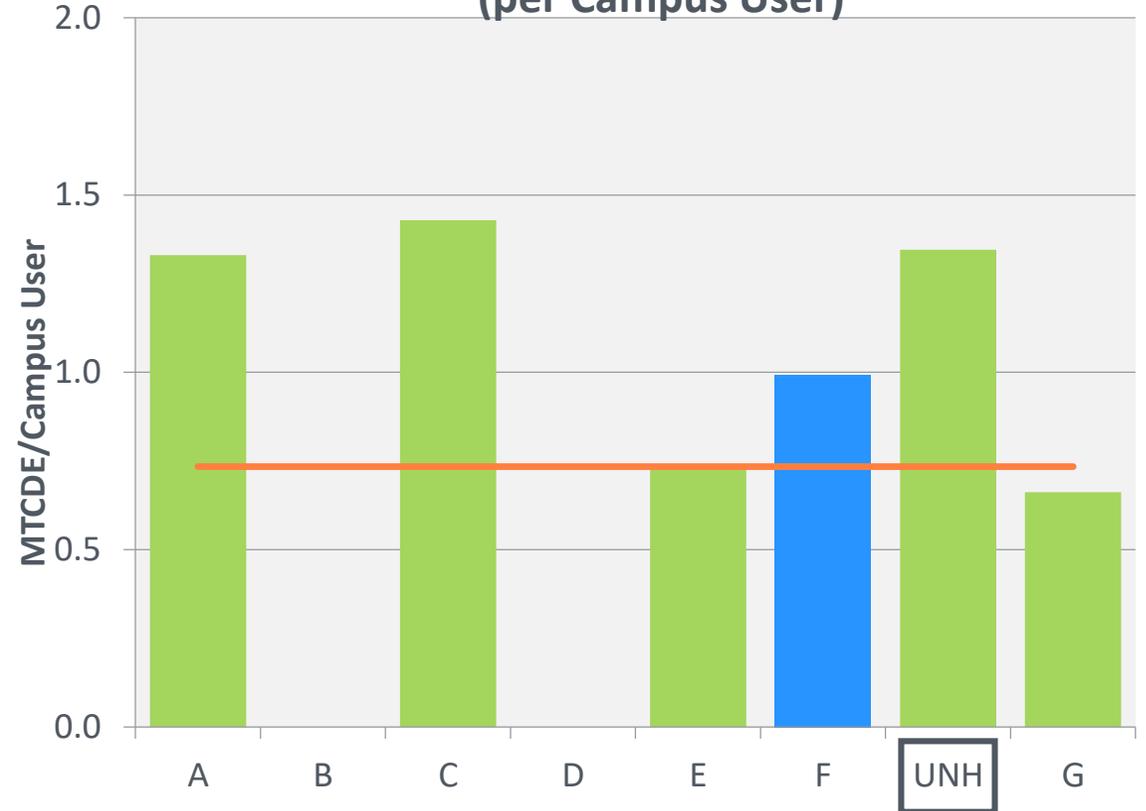
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University of New Haven Historical Emissions  
(per Campus User)



FY18 Reported Emissions vs Peers  
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Purchased Electric



Purchased Steam

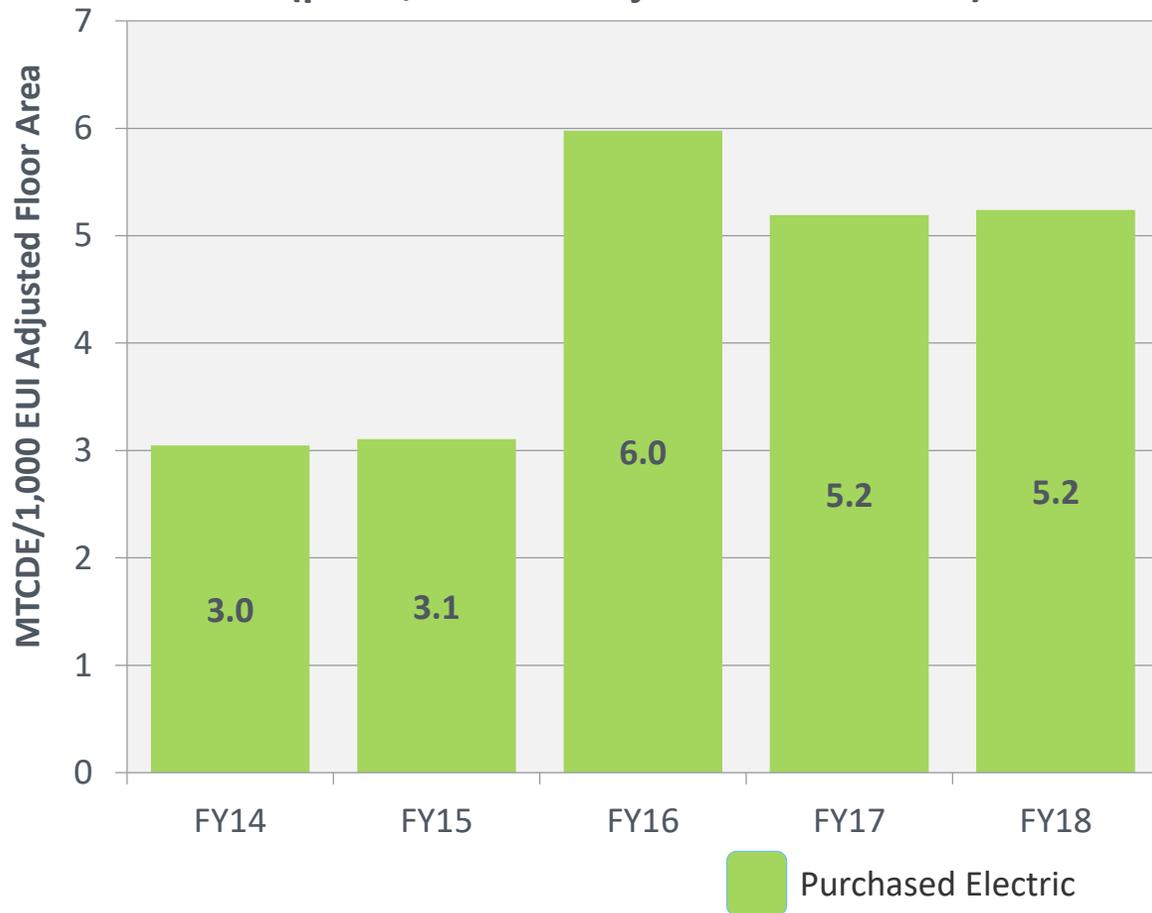


Peer Average (.73)

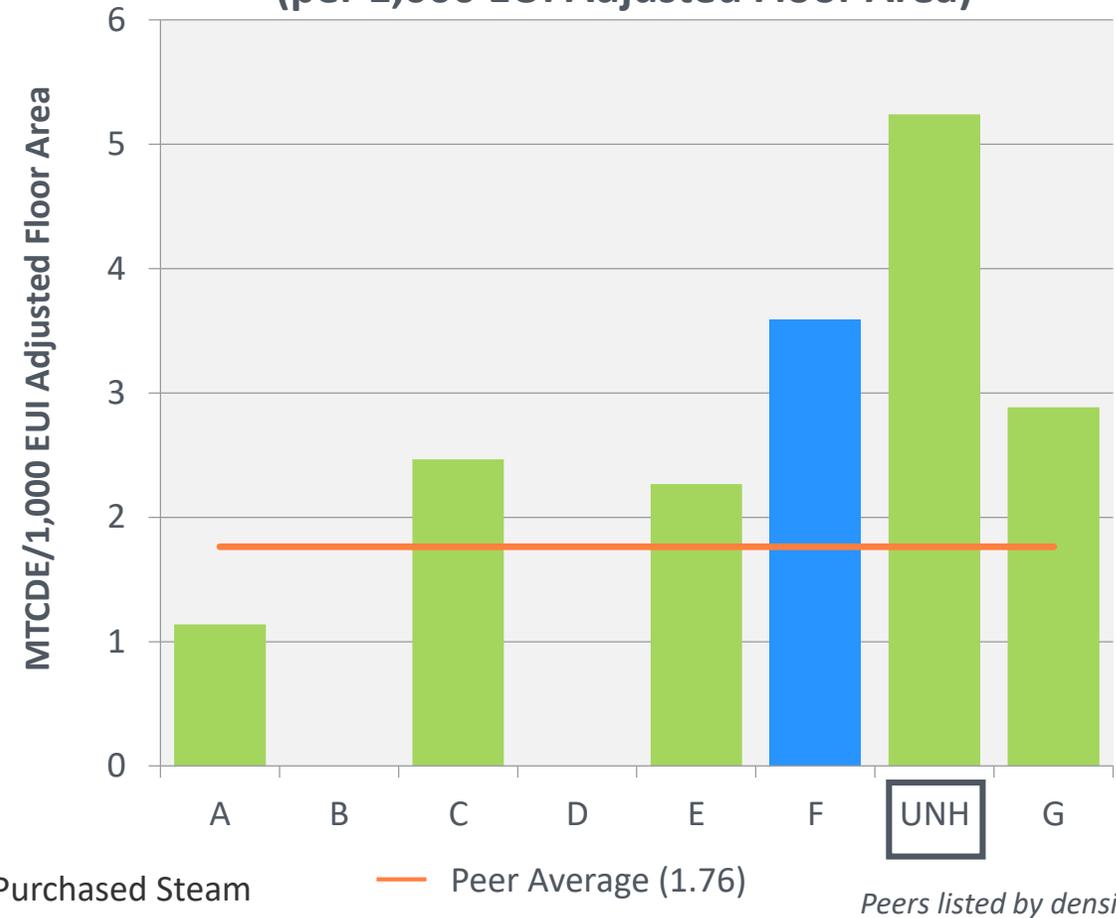
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# Scope 2 Emissions Market Based Reporting

University of New Haven Historical Emissions  
(per 1,000 EUI Adjusted Floor Area)



FY18 Reported Emissions vs Peers  
(per 1,000 EUI Adjusted Floor Area)



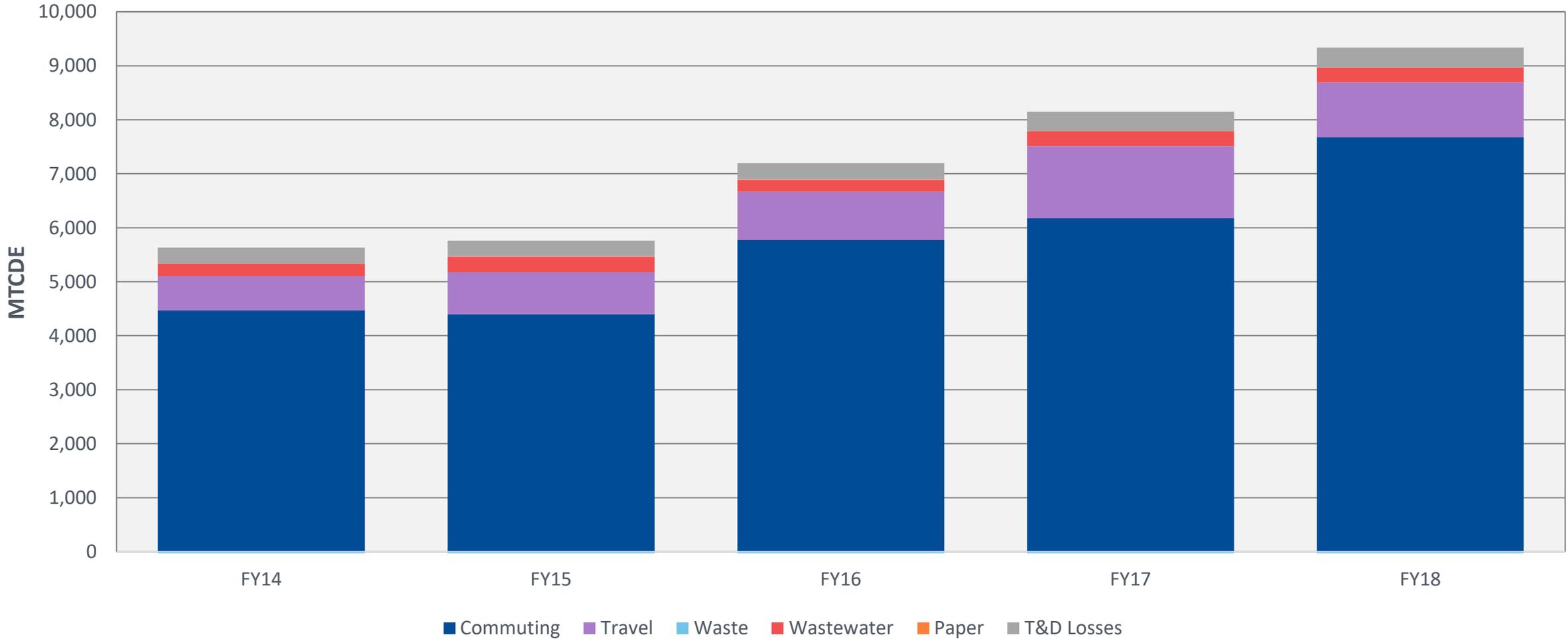
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# Scope 3 Emissions Profile

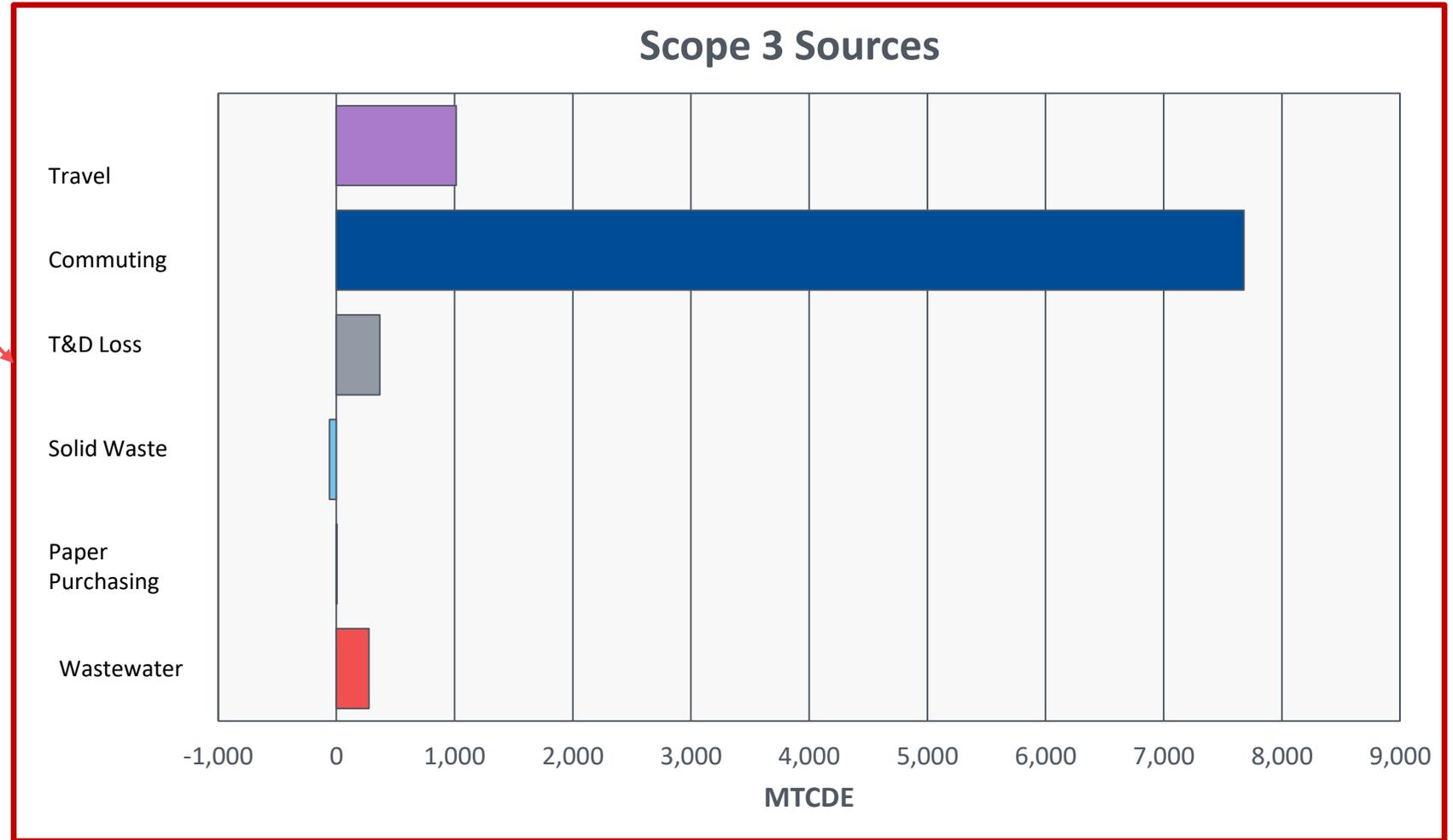
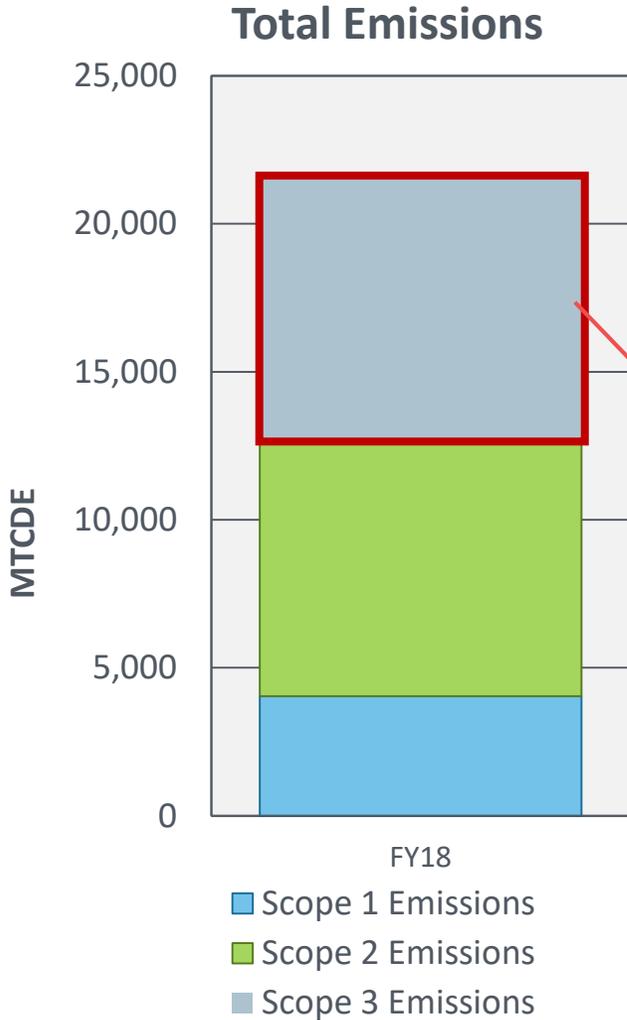


# Scope 3 Trending Over Time

## Scope 3 Emissions Over Time

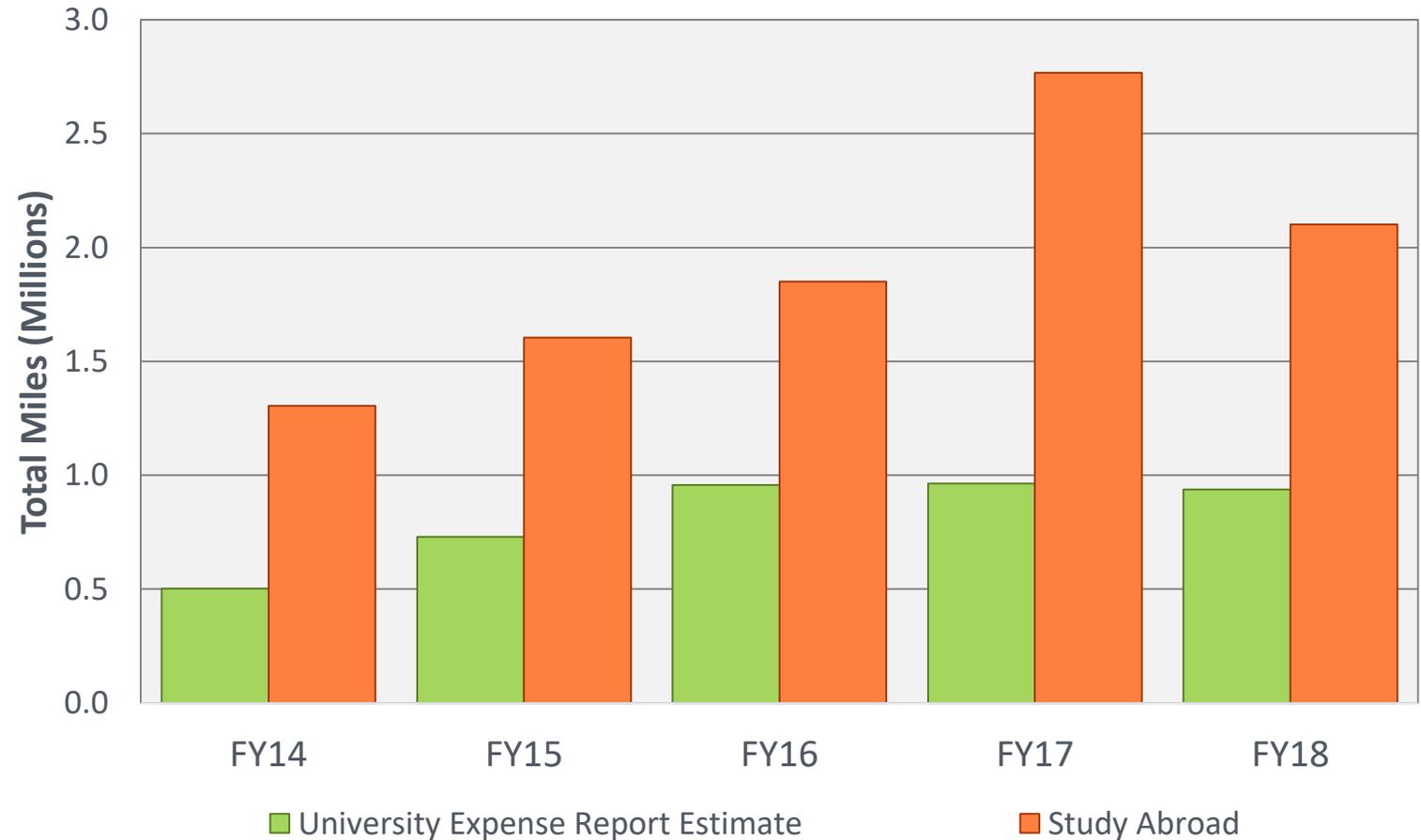


# Scope 3 Distribution



# Scope 3: Travel

### Directly Financed Travel

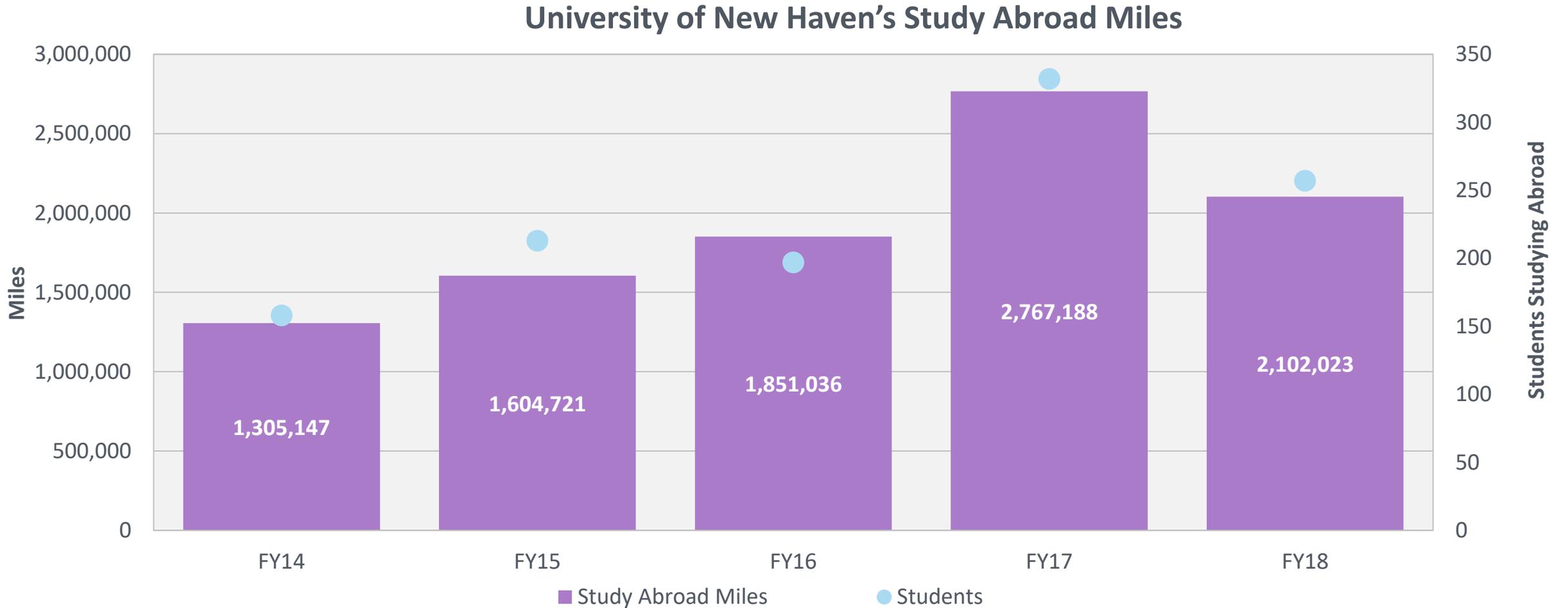


#### What is Included in Directly Financed Travel

- **Study Abroad**
  - Study Abroad Locations & Participants
- **University of New Haven Estimate**
  - University of New Haven Travel Expense Reports

# Study Abroad Travel Profile

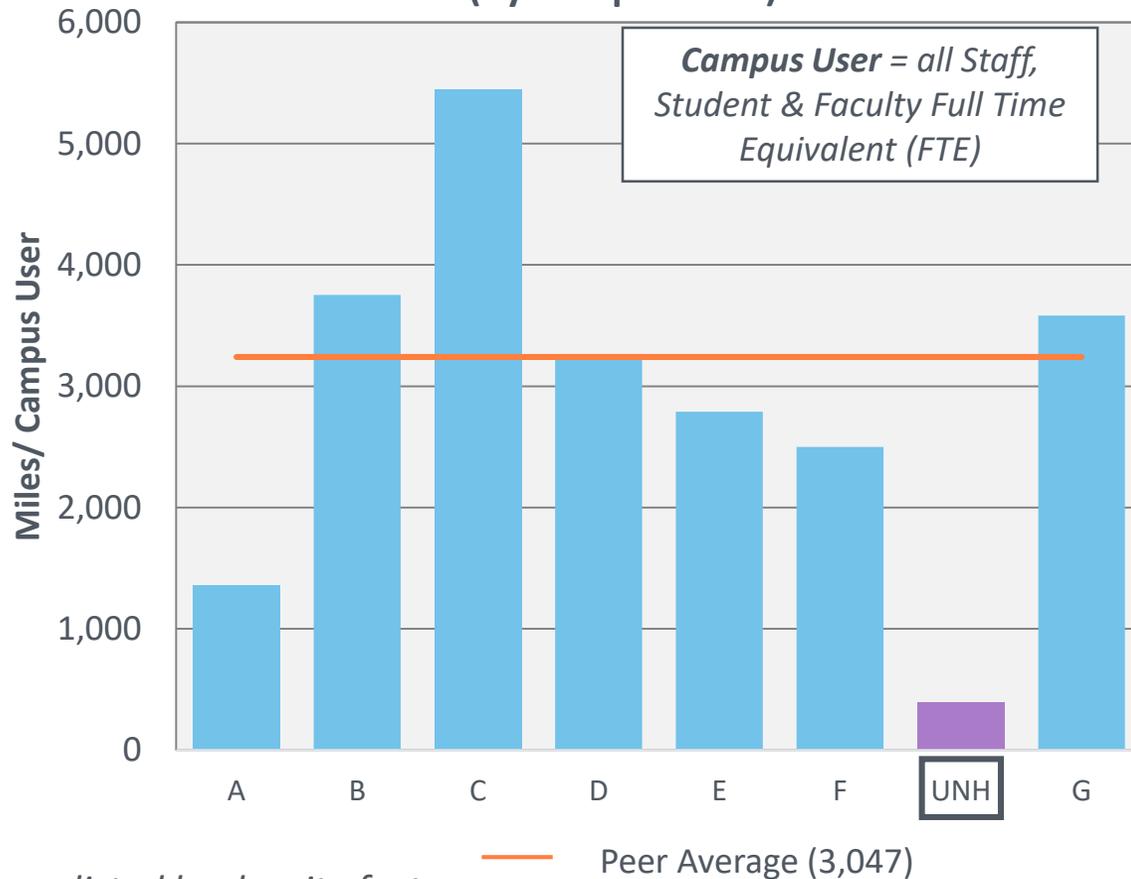
*Study abroad travel fluctuates over time along with student population*



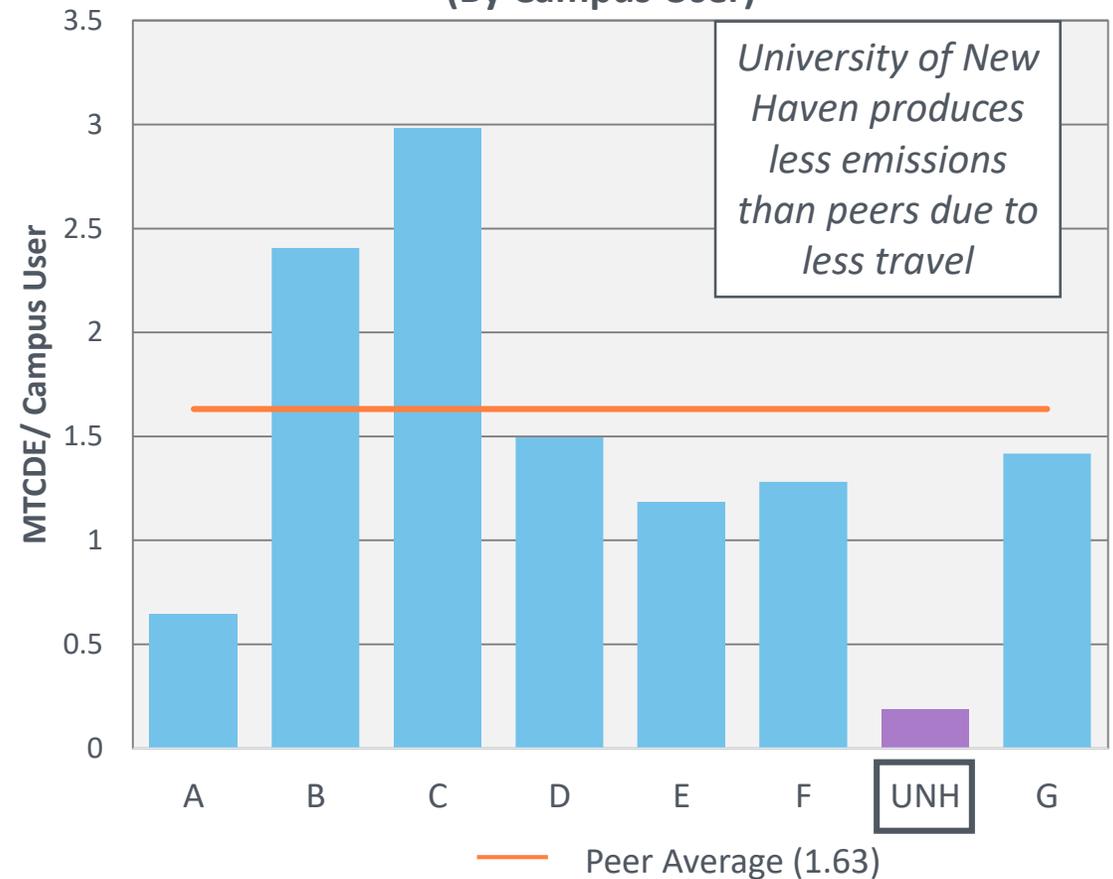
# Air Travel vs. Peers

Number of miles impacts total emissions; More users traveling & longer trips produce more emissions

**Air Travel Mileage vs. Peers  
(By Campus User)**



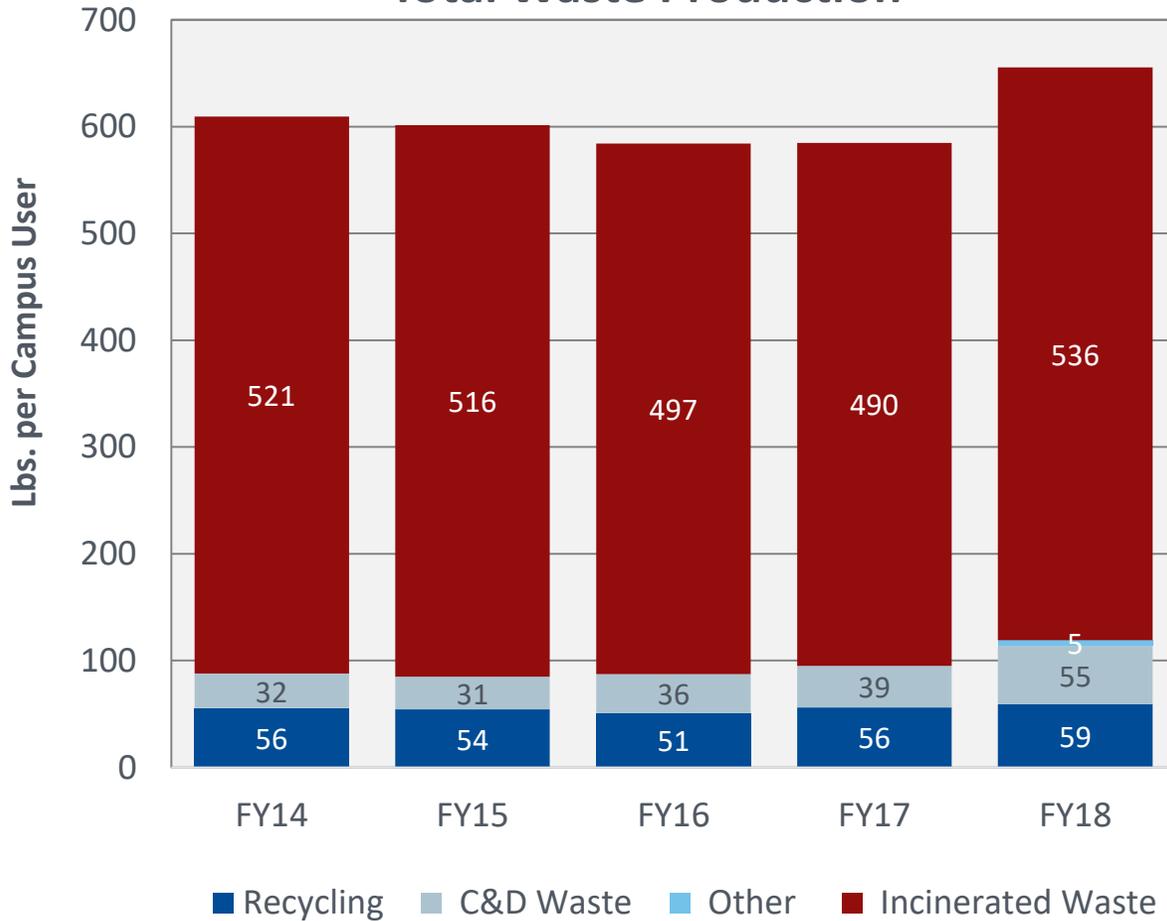
**Air Travel Emissions vs. Peers  
(By Campus User)**



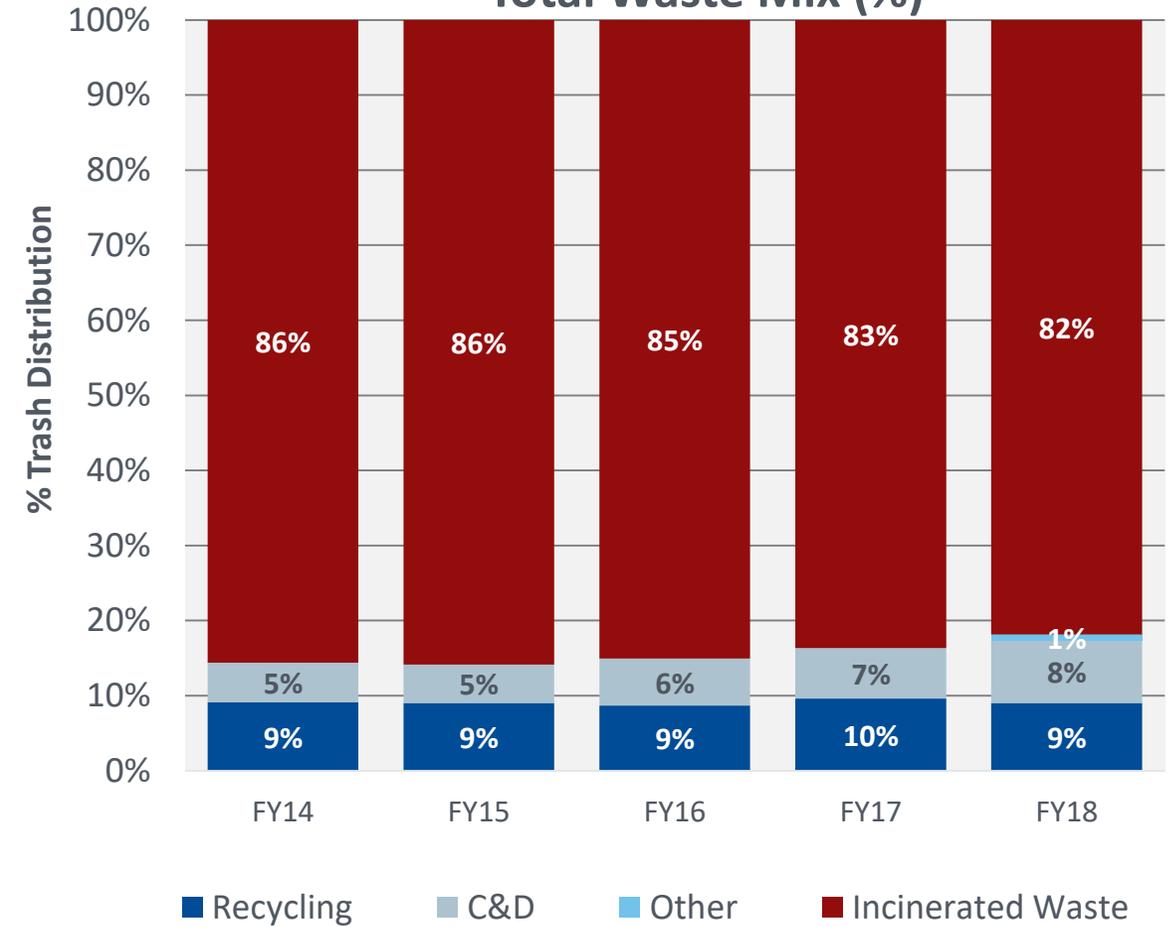
Peers listed by density factor

# University of New Haven Solid Waste Profile

### Total Waste Production

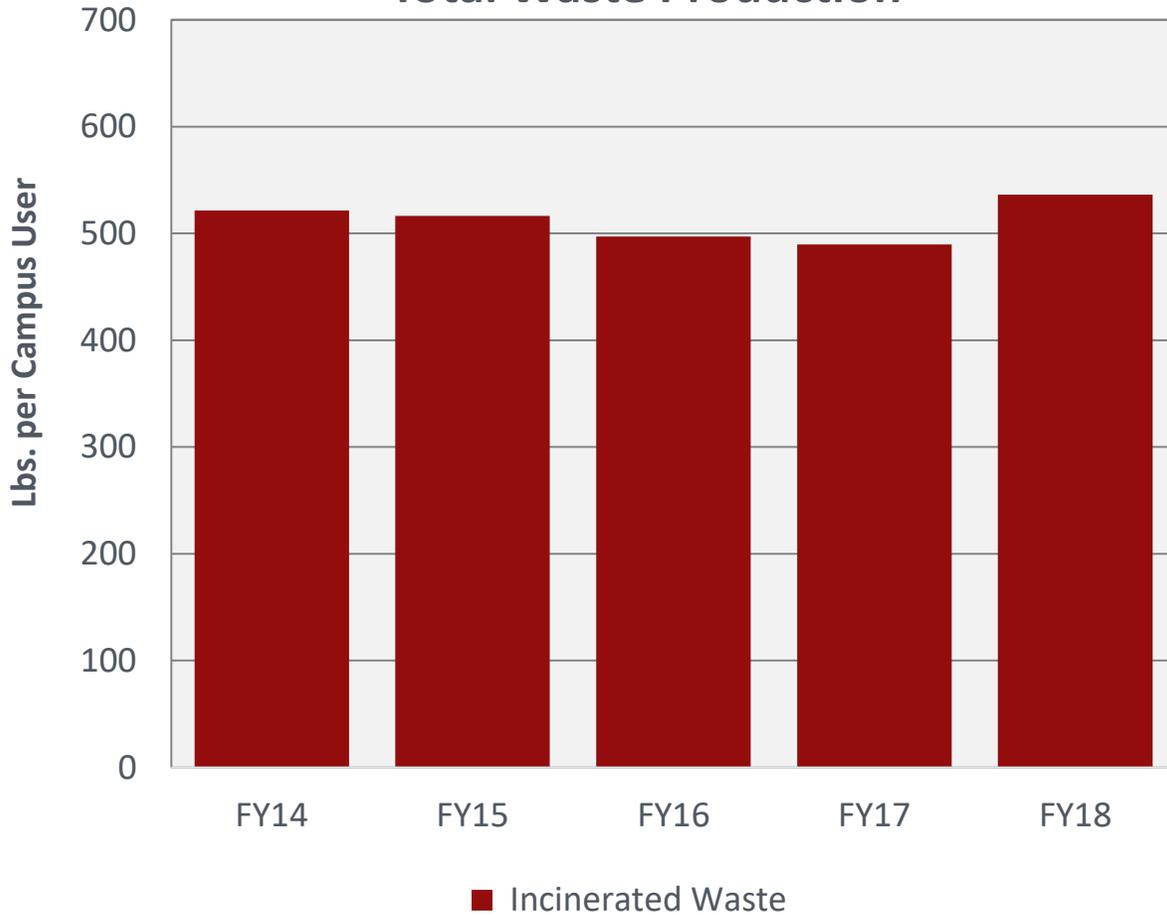


### Total Waste Mix (%)

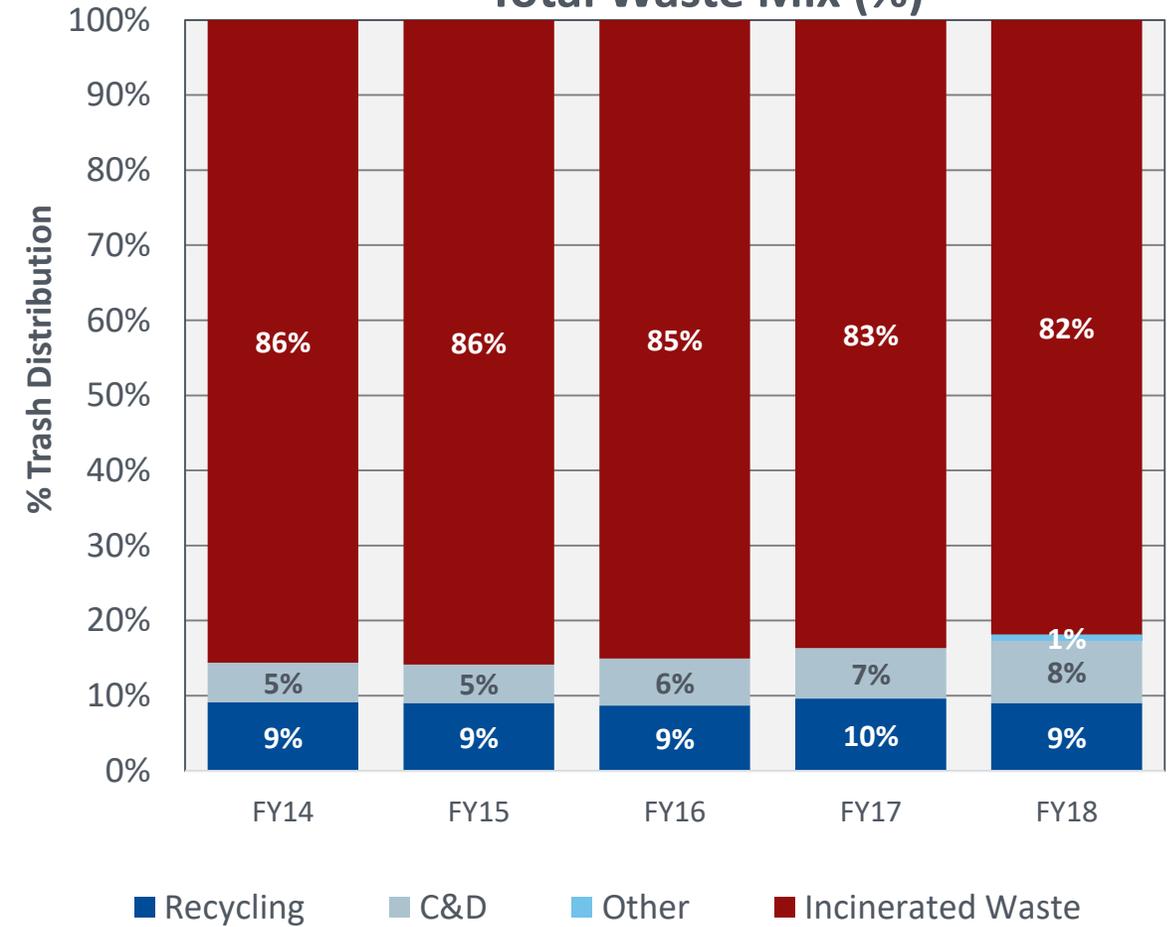


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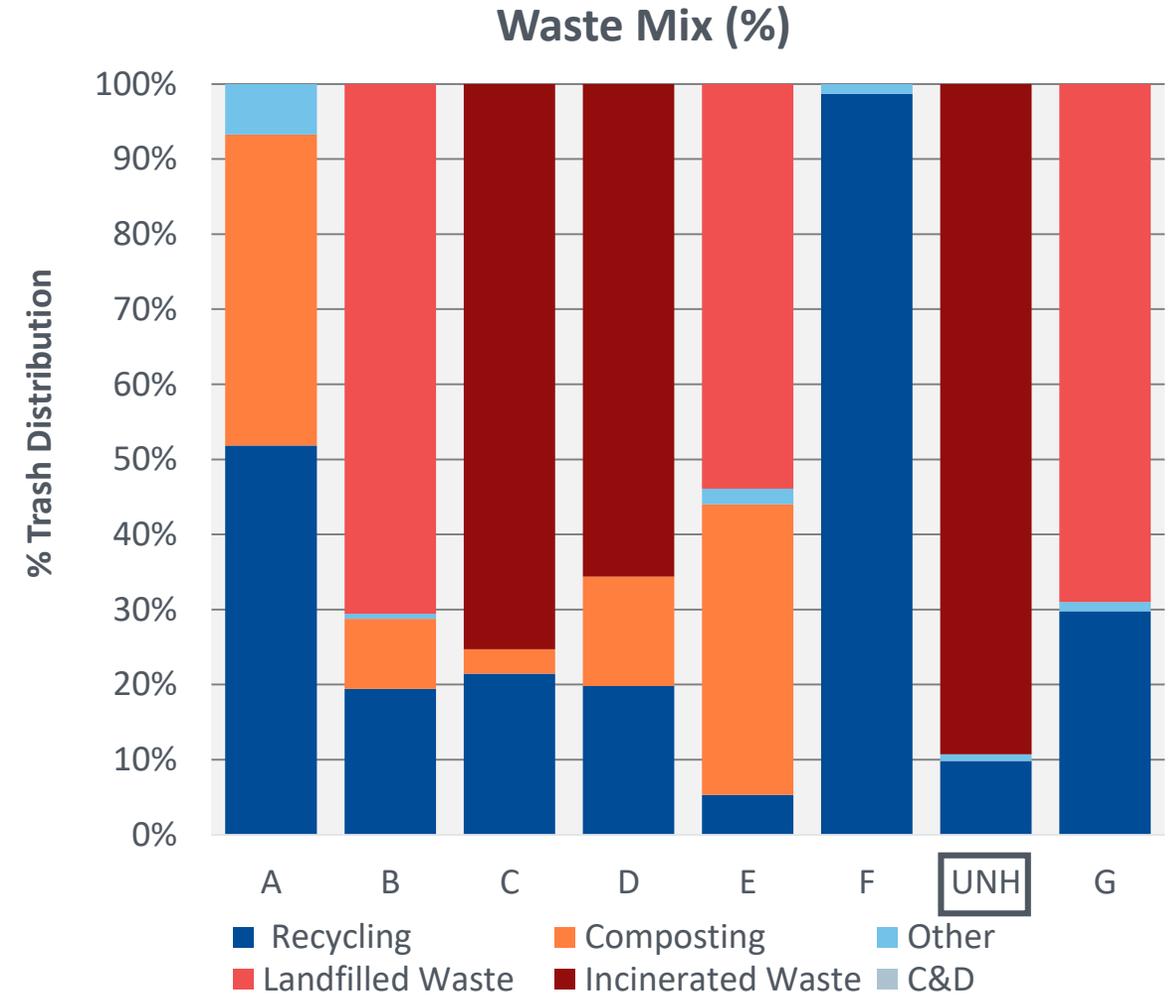
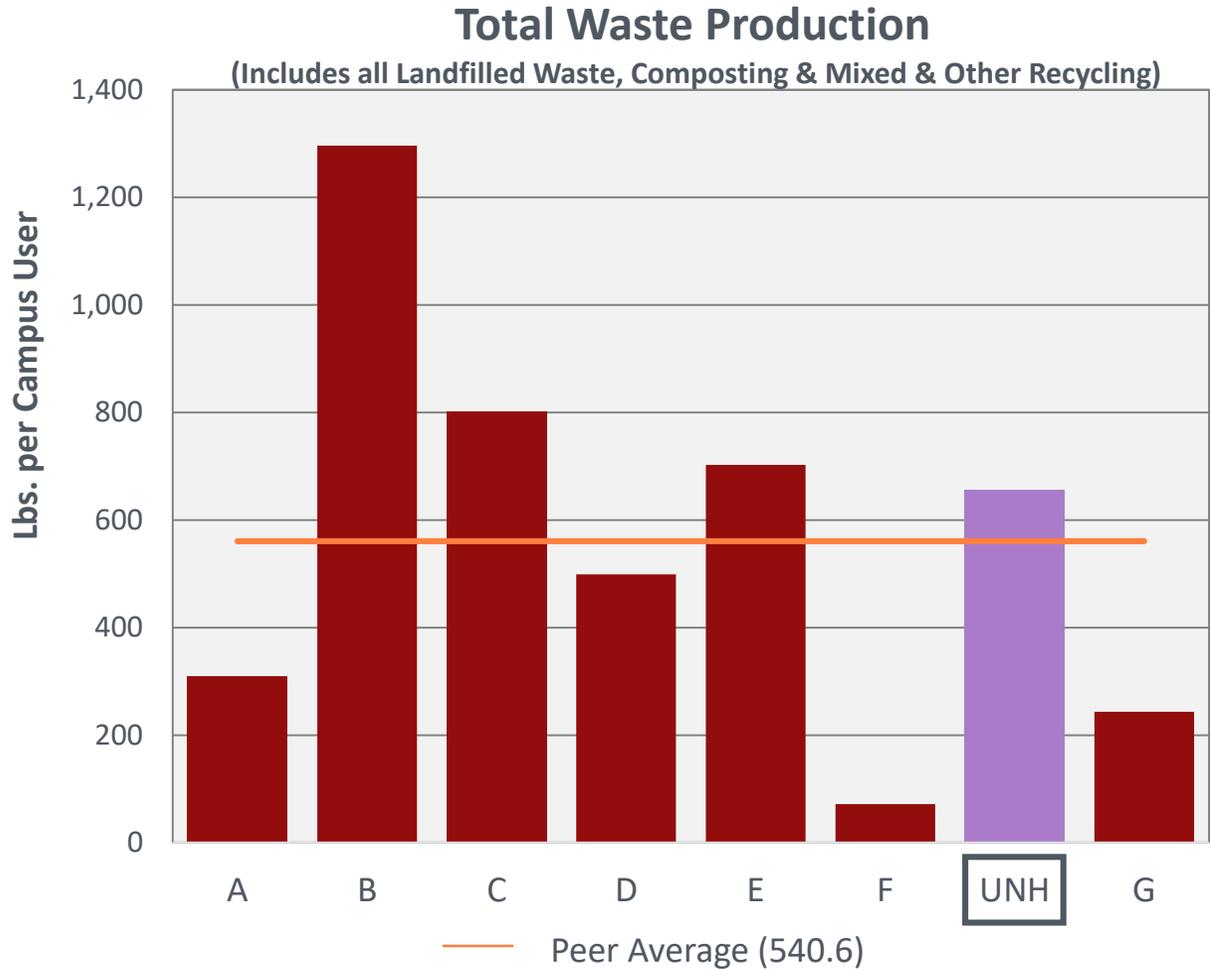
### Total Waste Production



### Total Waste Mix (%)



# Campus Waste Distribution Profile

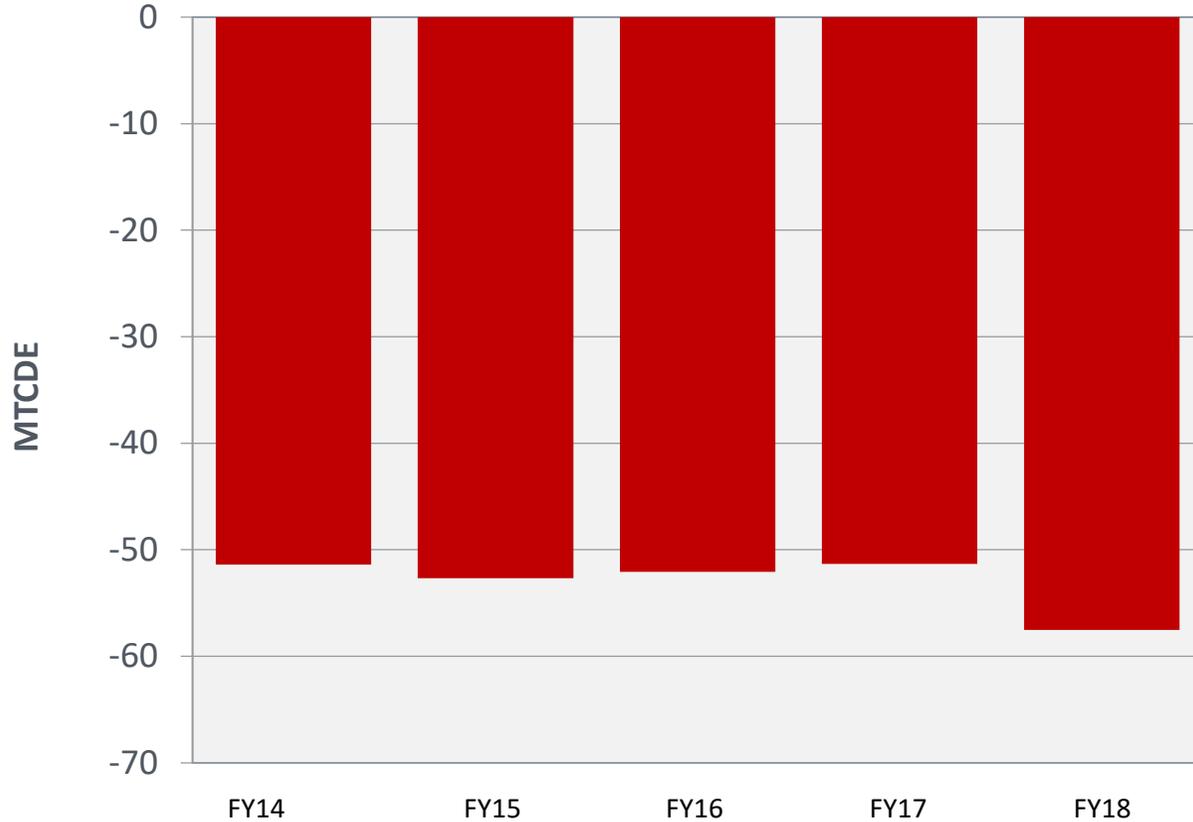


\*Peers arrayed by Density Factor

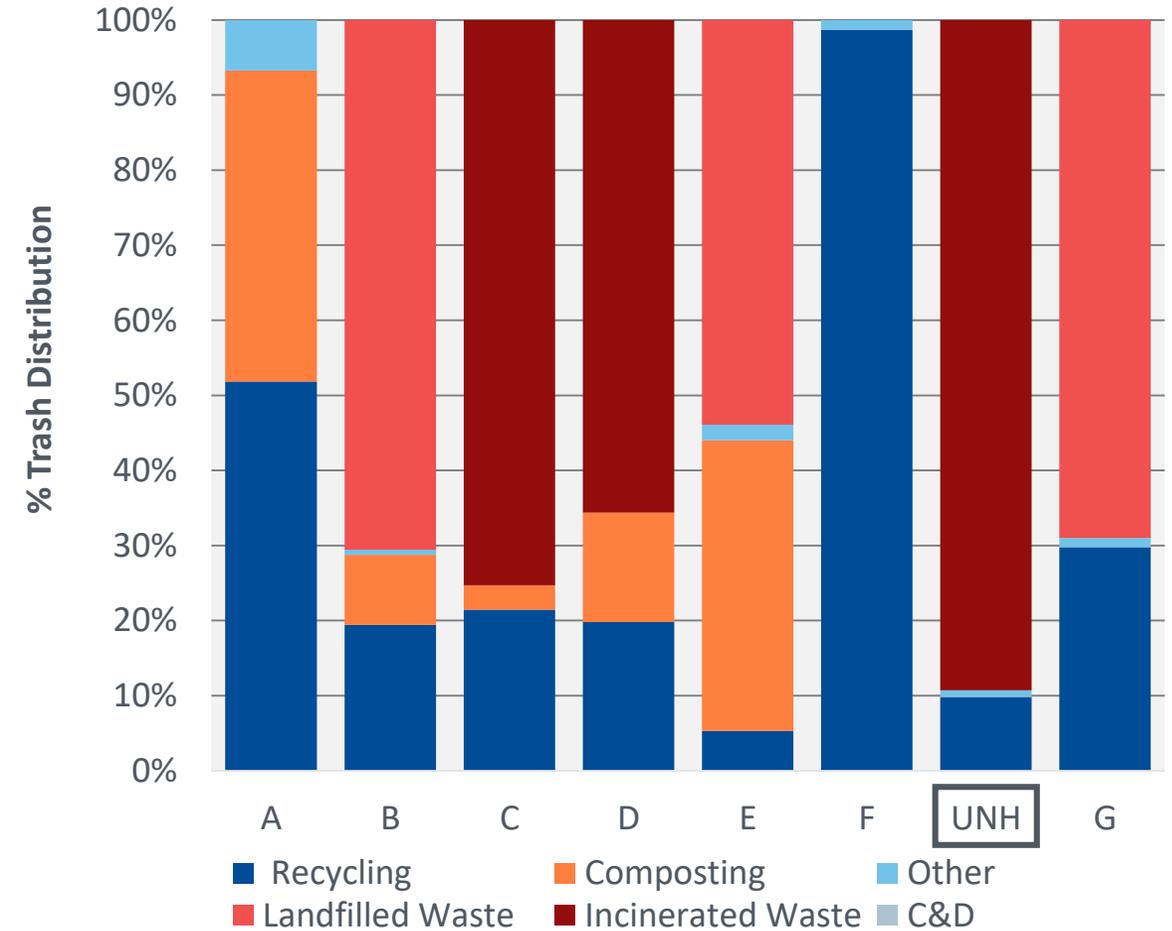
# Waste Emissions

Waste emissions decreased in FY18; continues to produce less emissions than peers

Historical Waste Emissions



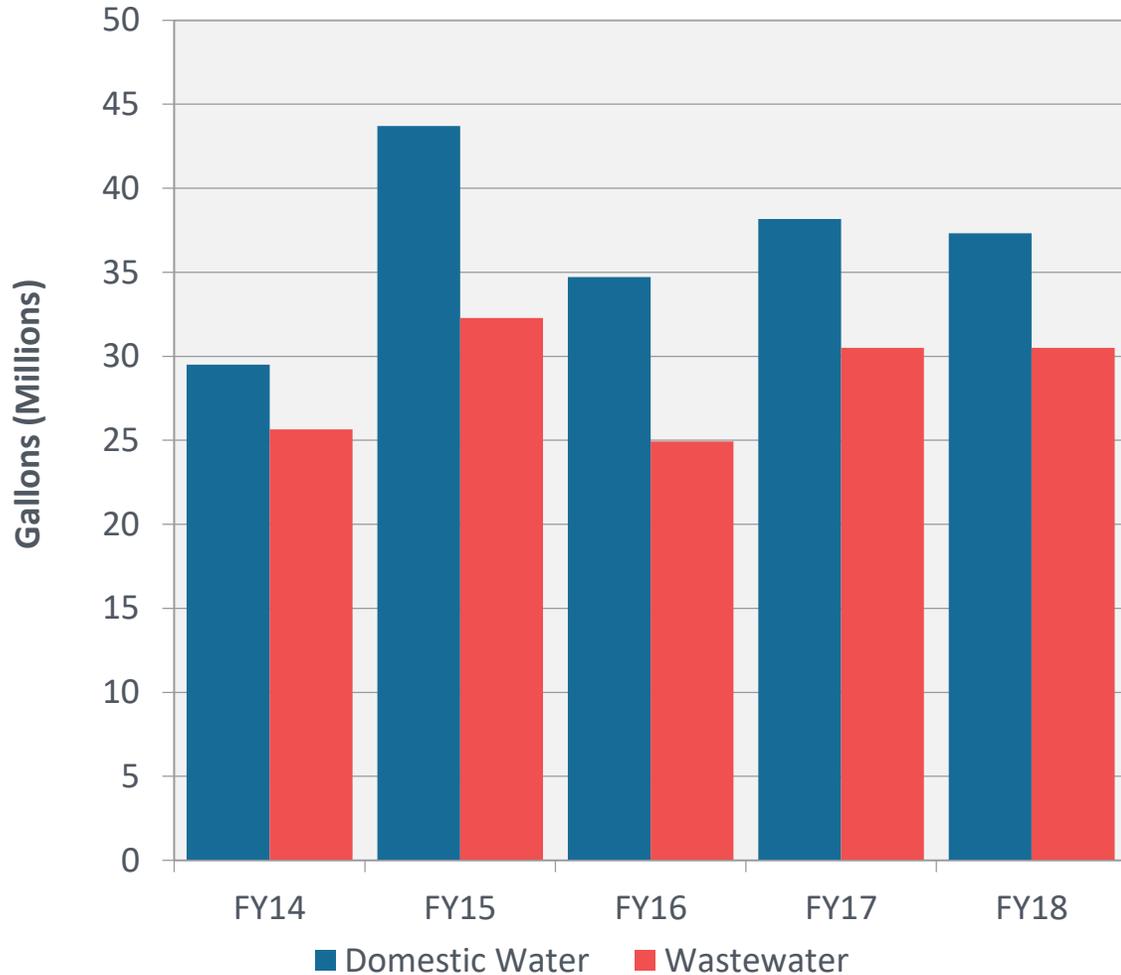
Waste Mix (%)



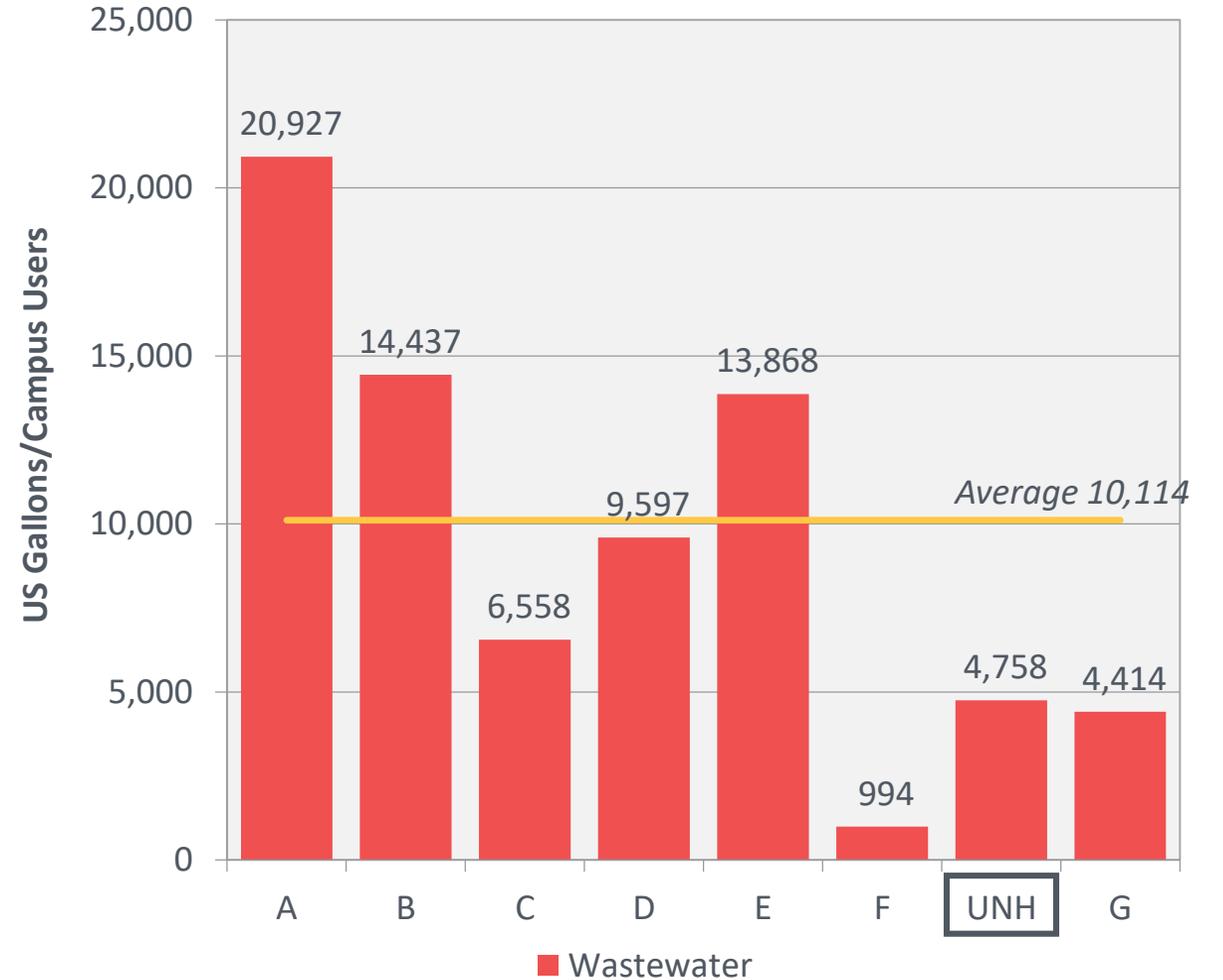
Ordered by: Density Factor

# Scope 3 – Water

Total Water Consumption Over Time

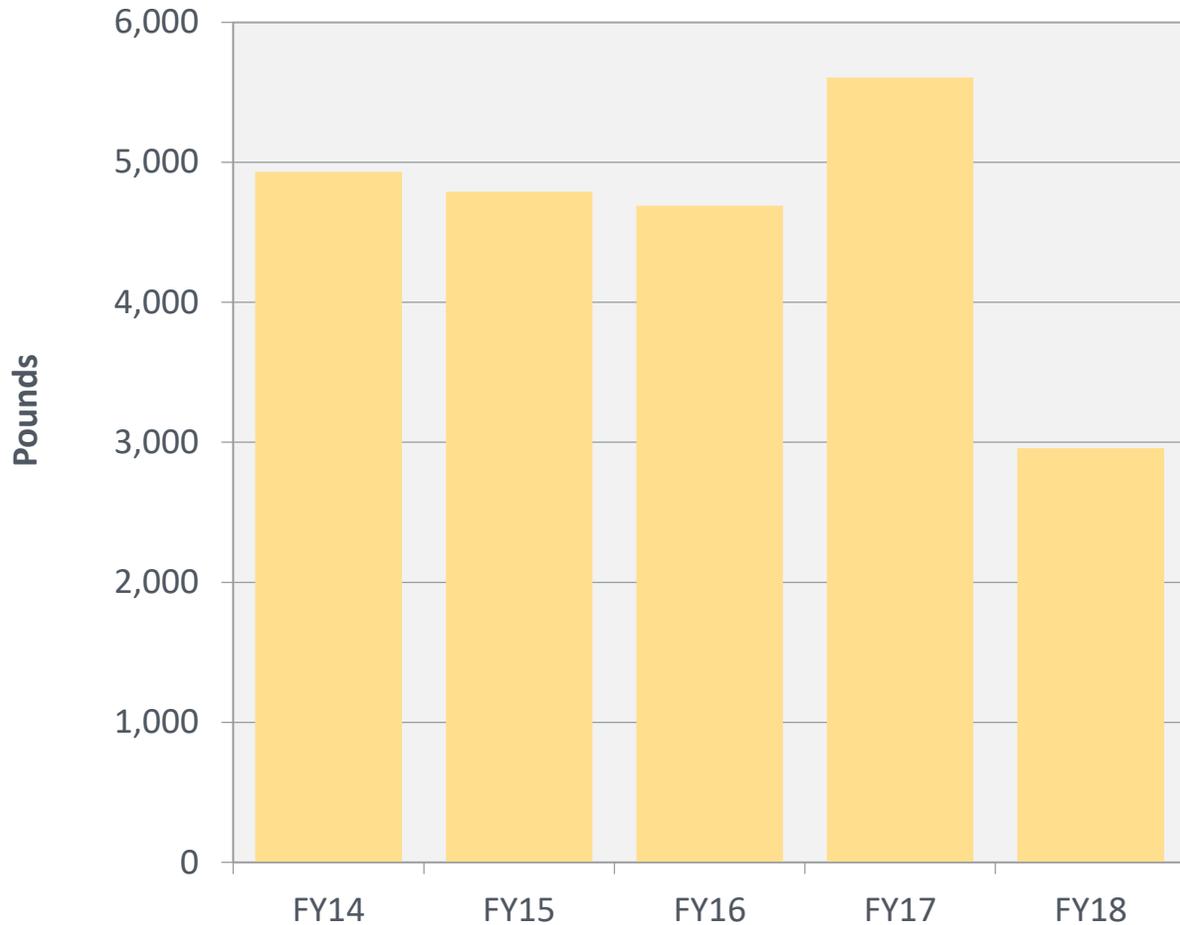


Normalized Wastewater Consumption vs. Peers

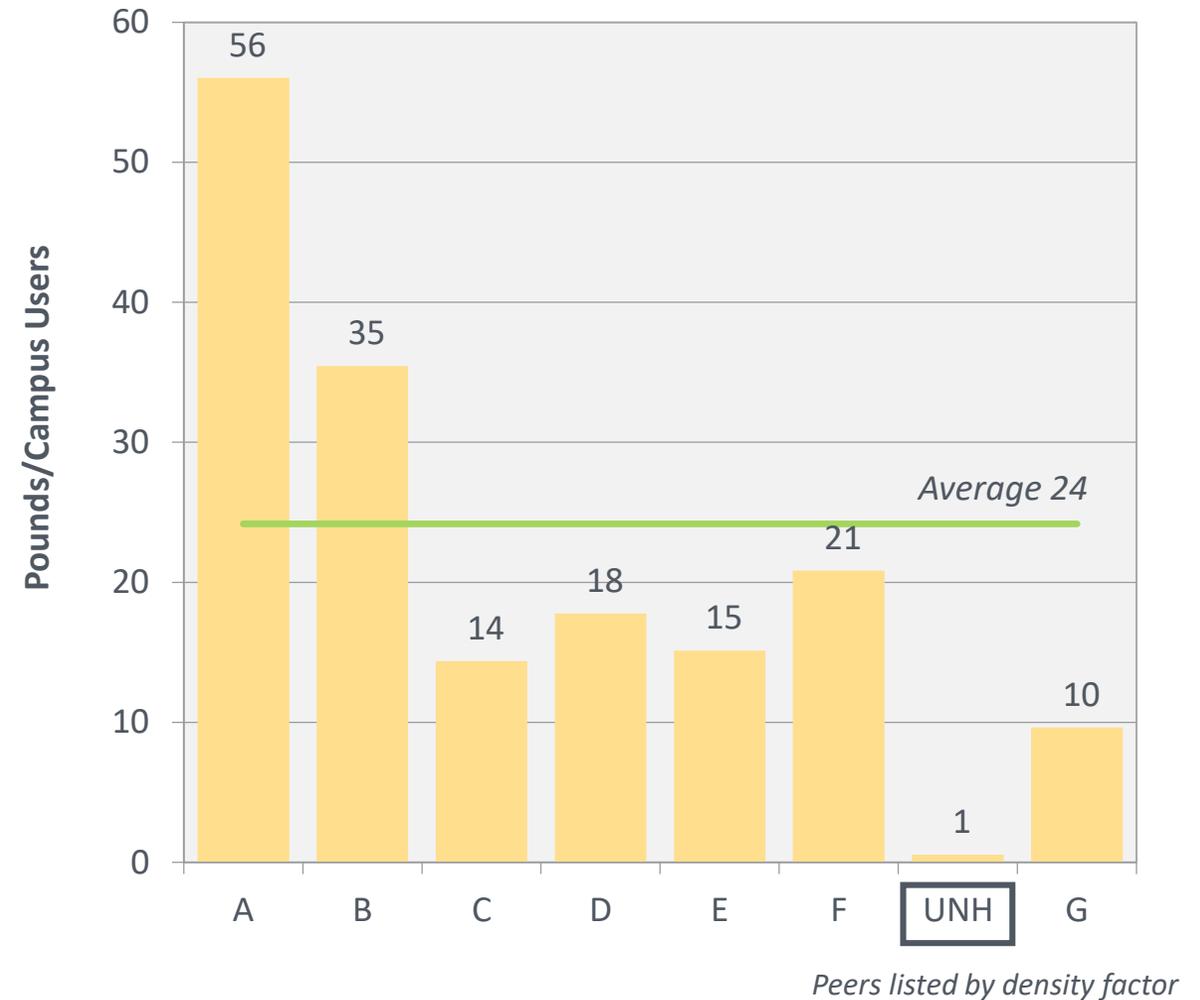


# Scope 3 – Paper Consumption

Total Paper Consumption Over Time

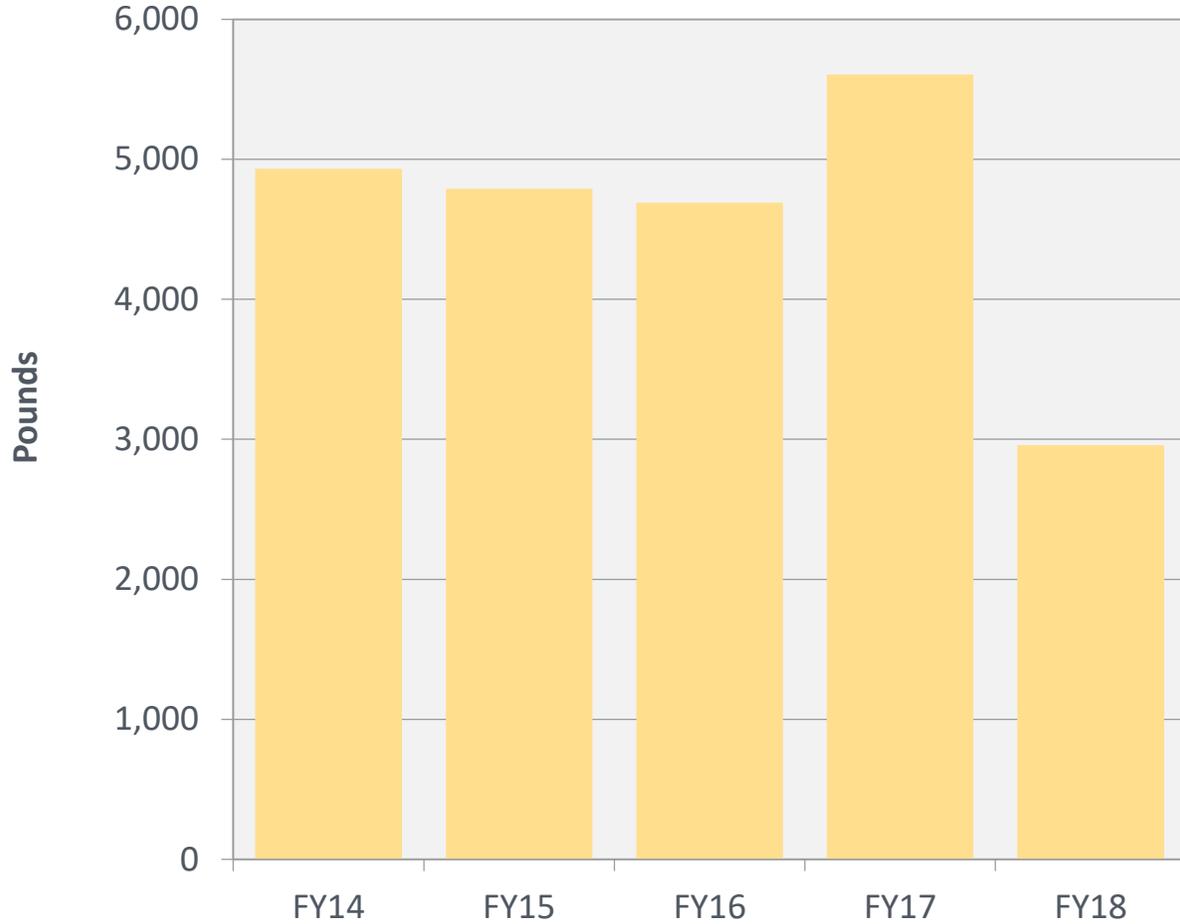


Normalized Paper Consumption vs. Peers

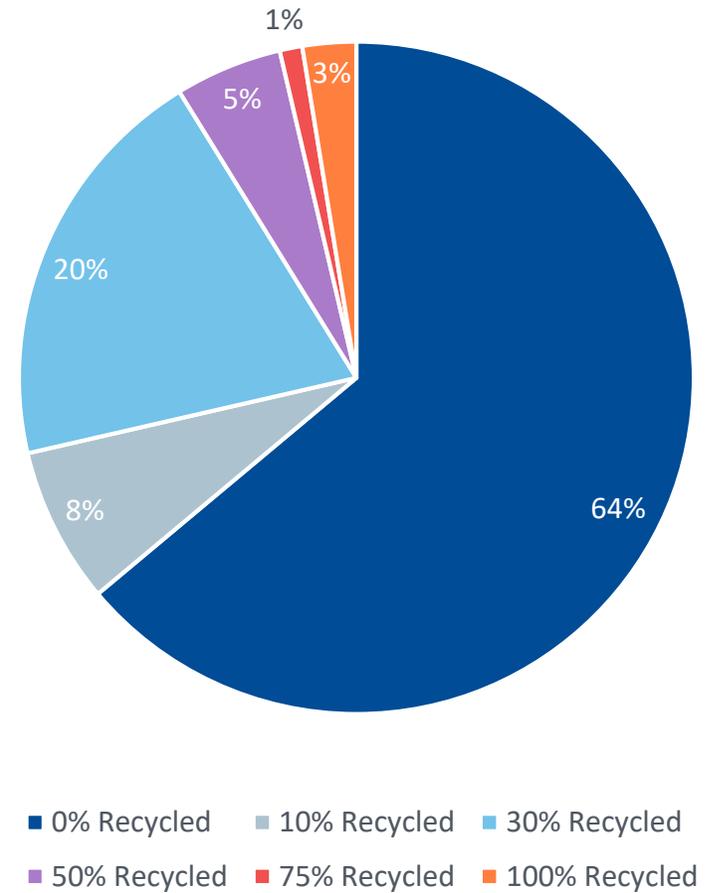


# Majority of Paper Purchased Has 0% Recycled Content

Total Paper Consumption Over Time



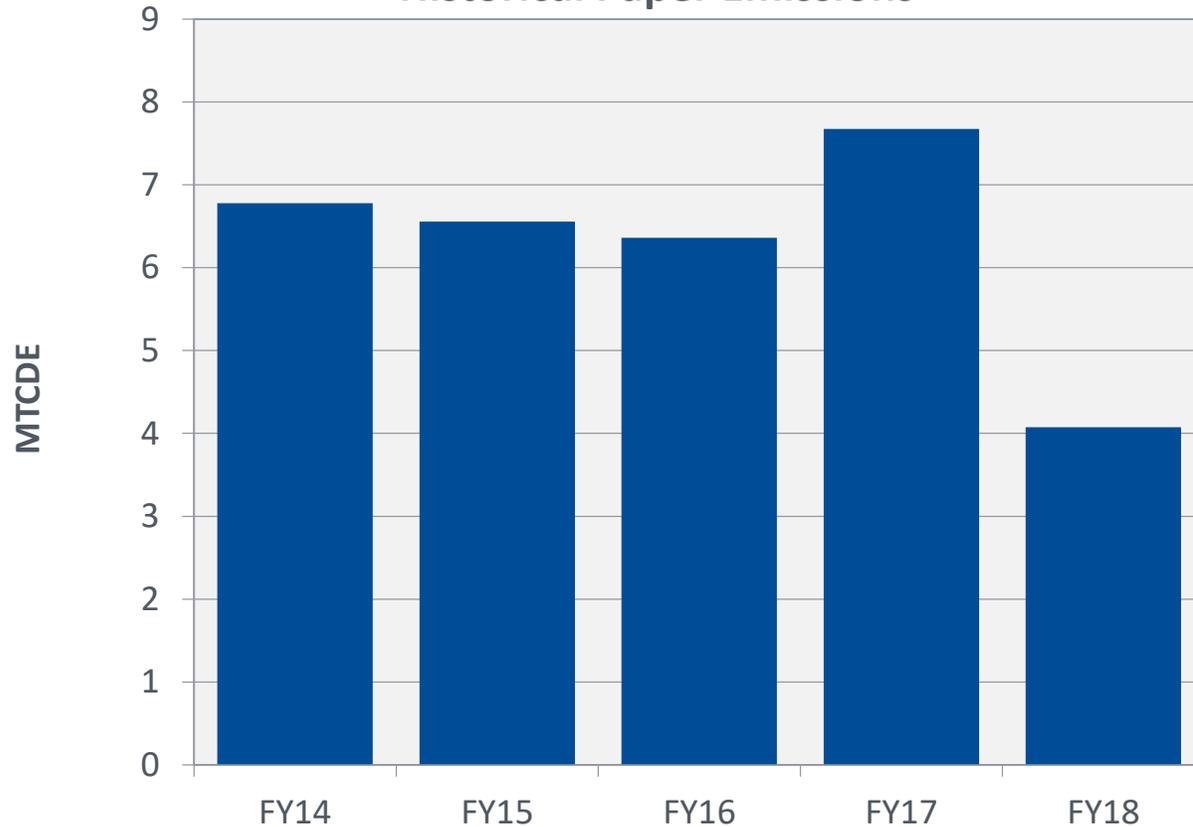
% Recycled in FY18



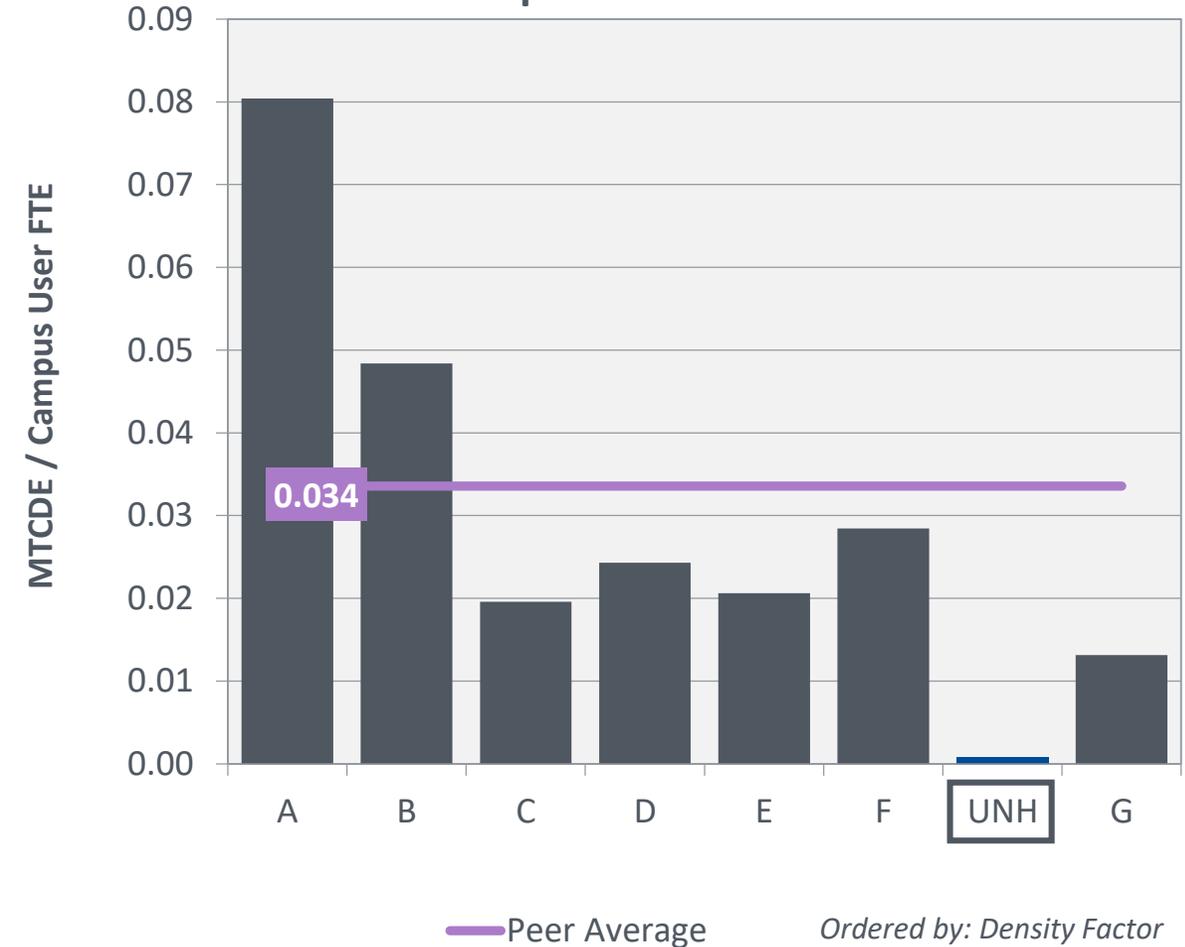
# Purchased Paper Emissions

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Historical Paper Emissions



FY18 Paper Emissions vs. Peers



# Commuting Survey Results



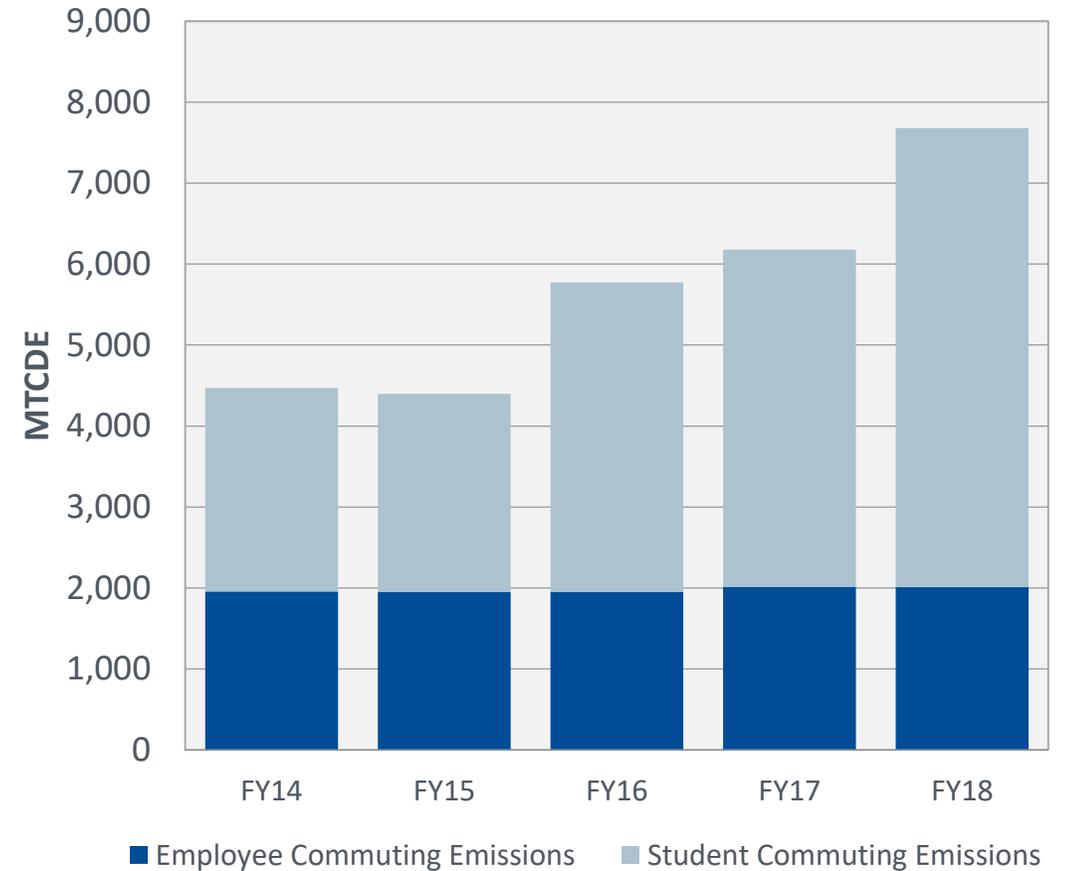
# Commuter Survey Results

## Survey Facts:

- Who it was sent to
  - Commuting Survey was sent out to the University of New Haven campus
- How many people responded?
  - Total # of responses: 346
- By role at UNH?
  - Faculty: 123
  - Staff: 168
  - Student: 55
- How long it was open for?
  - November 27<sup>th</sup> – December 19<sup>th</sup>

## Commuting Emissions

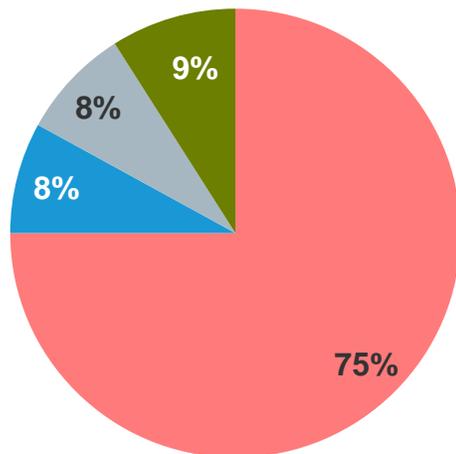
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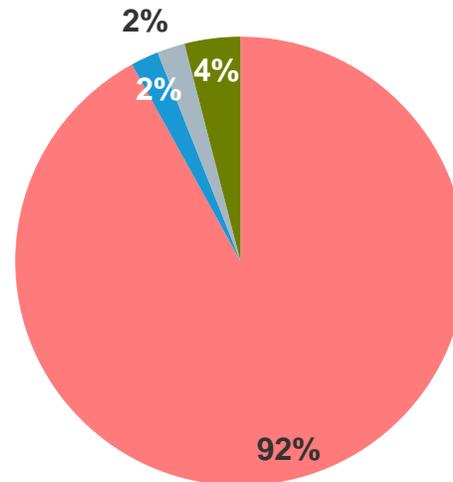
# Distribution of Commuting Modes

Rideshare Survey Responses	Student	Faculty	Staff
% Drive Alone	75%	92%	95%
Avg. Trip Distance (Drive Alone)	14.30 mi	16.67 mi	15.63 mi
% Carbon-Free	9%	4%	1%
Avg. Trip Distance (Carbon-Free)	1.0 mi	5 mi	3.71 mi

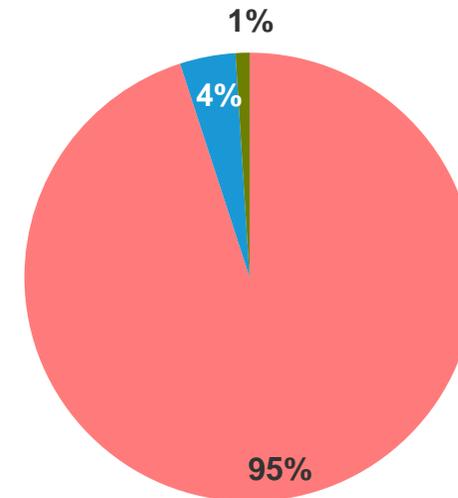
Student Commuter Mode Mix



Faculty Commuter Mode Mix

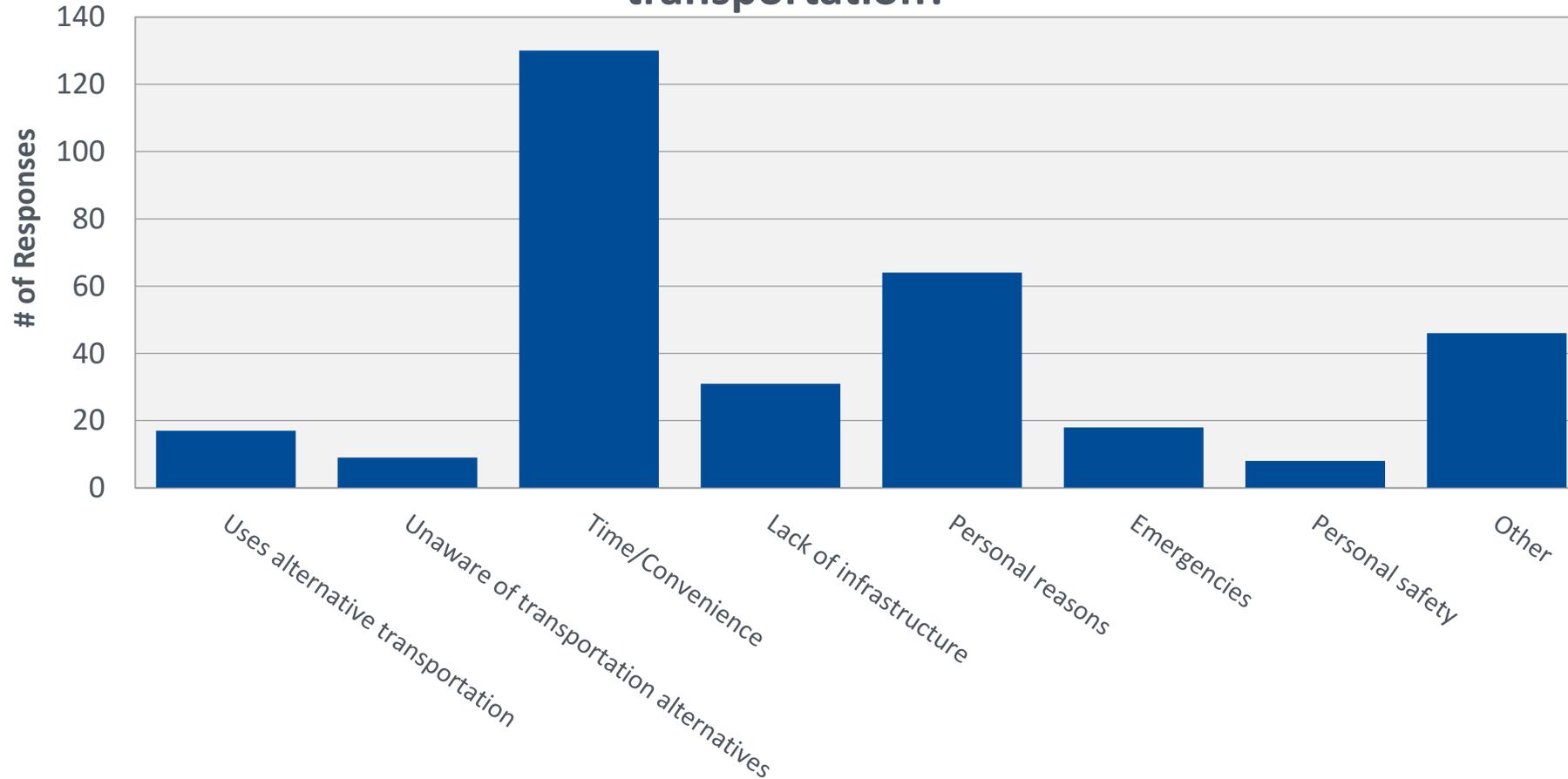


Staff Commuter Mode Mix

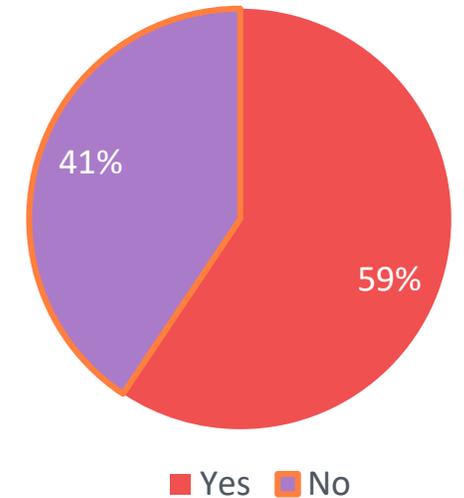


■ Drive Alone
 ■ Carpool
 ■ Mass Transit
 ■ Carbon Free

## What is the reason you do not use alternative transportation?

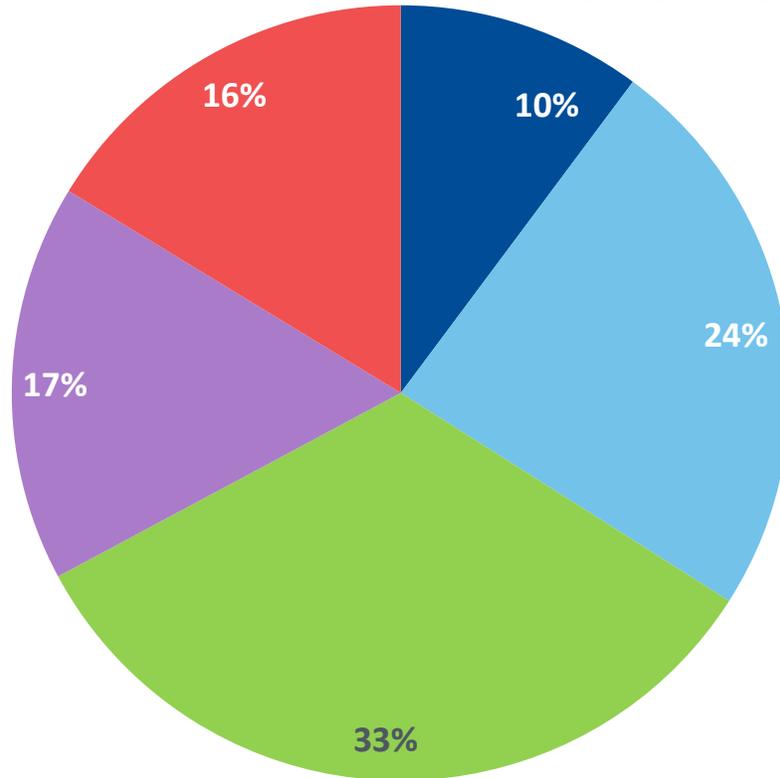


## Are the University of New Haven's transportation programs meeting your needs?

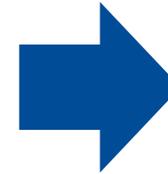


# The Impact of Commuting Emissions

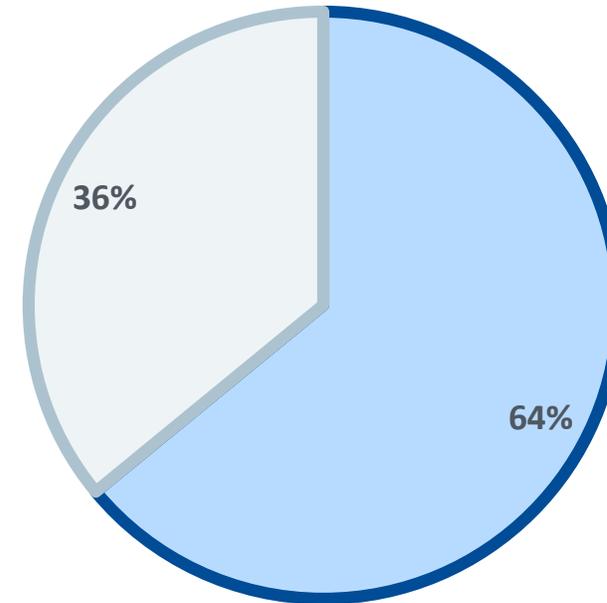
How much impact, if any, do you think your commuting habits have on UNH's carbon footprint?



■ Very Significant  
■ Limited  
■ Not Sure/I Don't Know  
■ Significant  
■ Insignificant

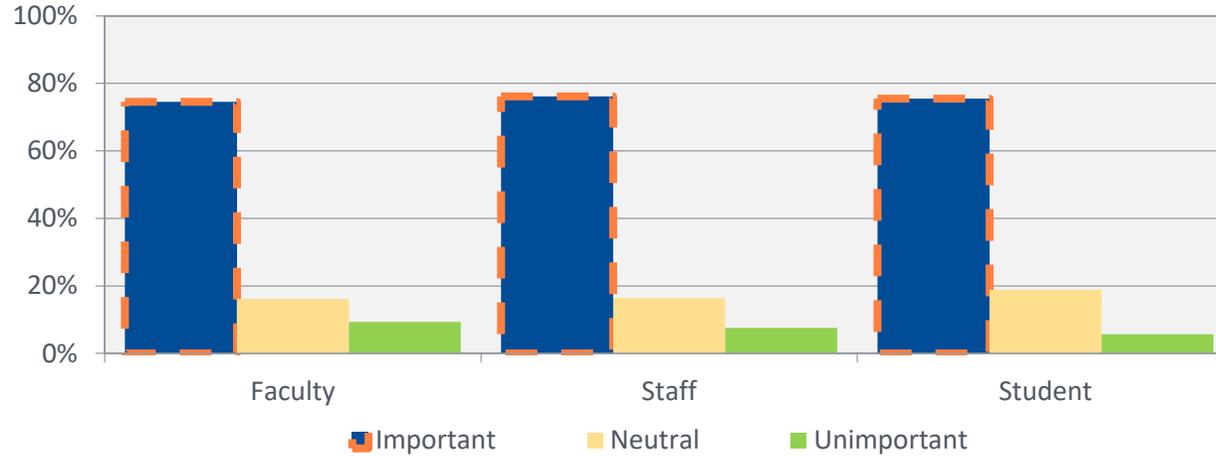


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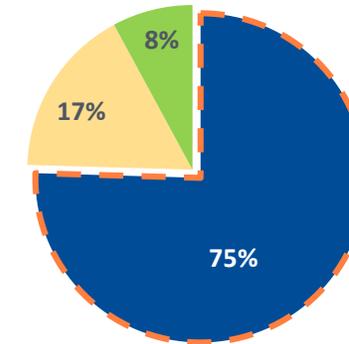


■ Remaining Emissions  
■ Commuting

How Important is it that University of New Haven Reduces its Carbon Footprint?



Distribution of Responses



**Ways to include the campus community in sustainability initiatives:**

Encourage energy saving competitions



Support alternative transportation methods



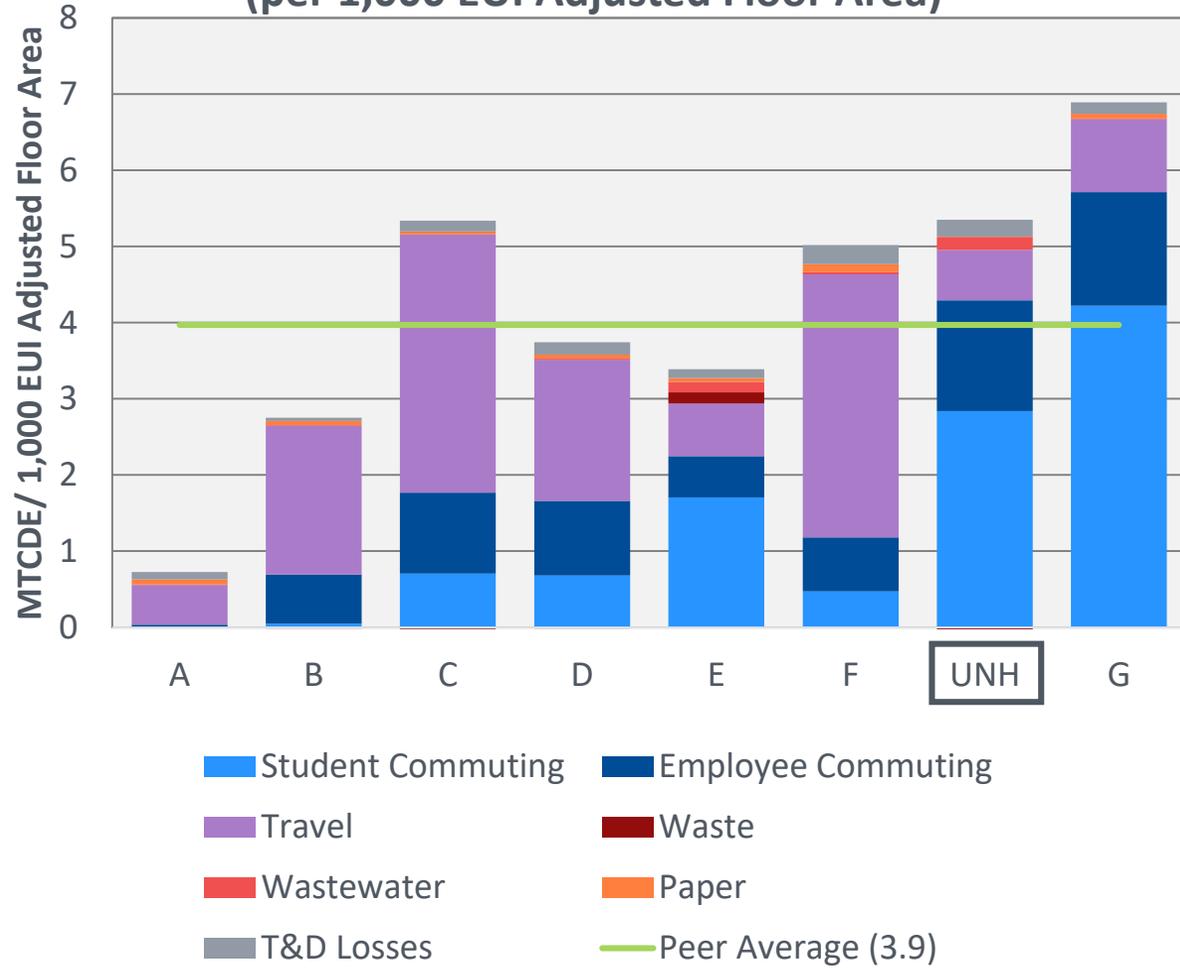
Improve recycling capacity and visibility



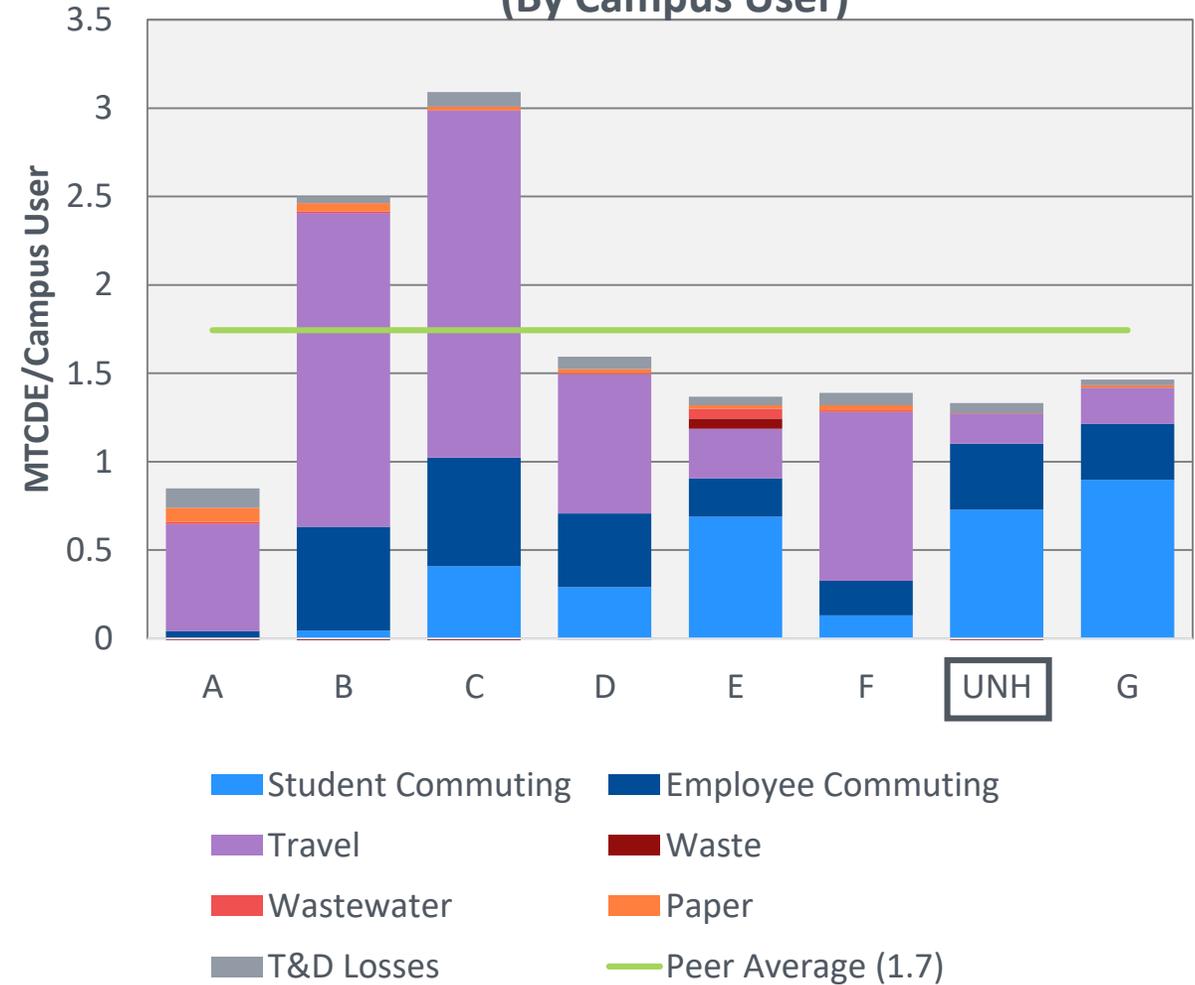
- > Increase parking costs
- > Add opt-out or opt-in sustainability student fee to fund campus conservation projects
- > Town – add bike lanes, sidewalks where possible
- > On-campus daycare
- > Compile list of employees/students willing to carpool, provide them means to contact each other
- > Bike/bus stop shelters
- > Increase monitoring of commuter-designated parking spaces
- > Discounts for campus users to use existing mass transit
- > Guaranteed ride home
- > Purchase offsets

# Scope 3 Summary

Scope 3 Emissions vs. Peers  
(per 1,000 EUI Adjusted Floor Area)

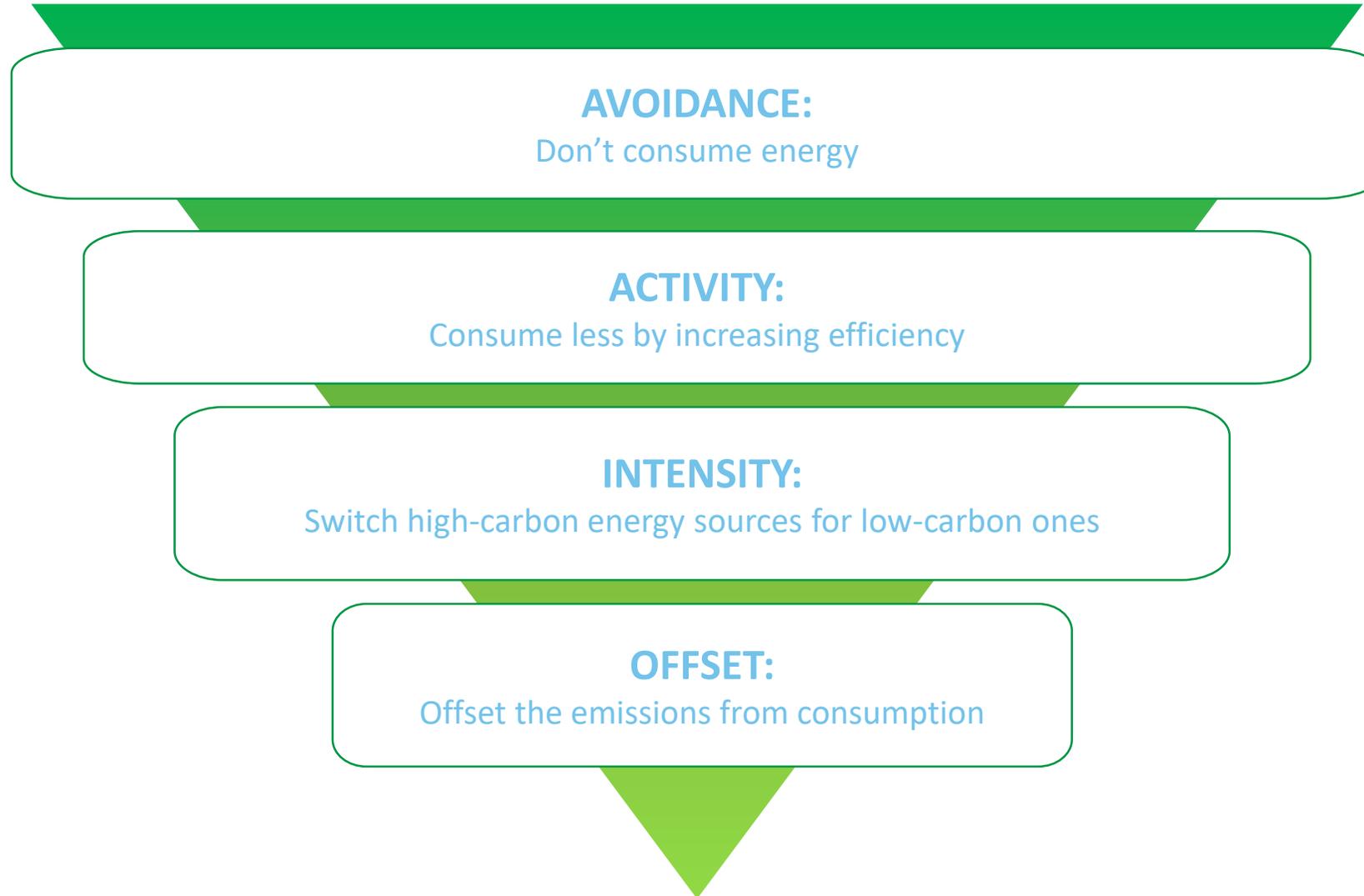


Scope 3 Emissions vs. Peers  
(By Campus User)



# Conclusions





# Concluding Comments

## Scope 1

- Continued increase in fossil fuel consumption and resulting emissions
- When the Lyme campus comes offline in FY2020 New Haven will be only using natural gas as main source of fuel, and thus benefit from consuming a lower carbon intense fuel

## Scope 2

- 40% of total emissions comes from Scope 2 or purchased electricity consumption
- Renewable electricity (solar panels) helped reduce scope 2 emissions

## Scope 3

- Scope 3 emissions are driven by the commuting aspect of the University of New Haven's population
- The commuting survey indicates a desire of campus users for increased public transit accommodations

### *Prospects to impact Activity/Intensity of Emissions*

- Energy-efficient practices—investment into efficient envelopes, green retrofits, mechanical systems and appliances and equipment—enable campuses to meet the needs of campus users and fulfill the institutional mission even while cutting GHG emissions.
- Assess current building automation and controls policies to further increase efficiency of existing systems on campus.

### *Opportunities to begin to Offset Emissions*

- Expand existing recycling and composting program to help offset emissions and educate campus community.
- Use the purchase of offsets as an educational opportunity. Try to procure local offsets, when possible, and give vendors the opportunity to educate campus through demonstrations on campus.

# Questions and Comments



- **Scope 1 (direct)** – Emissions from the power sources owned or controlled by the institution, including on-campus stationary fossil fuel sources; mobile sources, such as the vehicle fleet; and fugitive sources, such as refrigerants and fertilizer
- **Scope 2 (indirect)** – Indirect emissions from sources that are neither owned nor operated by your institution but whose products are directly linked to on campus energy consumption. This includes purchased energy: electricity, steam, and chilled water.
- **Scope 3 (indirect)** – Any other indirect emissions, including commuting by faculty, staff and students, air travel by faculty, paper, solid waste, wastewater, research animals and scope two transmission and distribution losses
- **Global Warming Potential (GWP)**- a relative measure of how much heat a greenhouse gas traps in the atmosphere. It compares the amount of heat trapped by a certain mass of the gas in question to the amount of heat trapped by a similar mass of carbon dioxide.
- **MTCDEs (Metric Tons of Carbon Dioxide Equivalent)**- The carbon footprint is reported in metric tons of carbon dioxide equivalents (CO<sub>2</sub>e). This measure includes all six greenhouse gases, which are converted to CO<sub>2</sub>e based on their 100-year global warming potential
- **Density Factor**- A measure of the amount use the campus buildings receive on a daily basis/The number of campus users per 100,000 GSF
- **Technical Complexity**- the relative mechanical complexity of the campus on a scale of 1-5
- **Transmission and Distribution loss (T&D Losses)** - The difference in the generated and distributed units of energy is known as Transmission and Distribution loss.