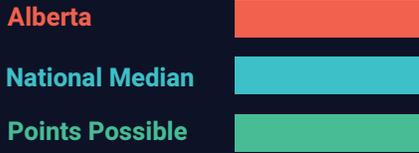


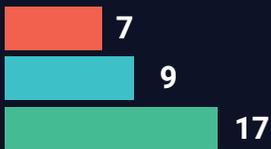
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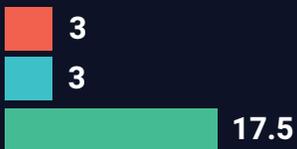
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### ENABLING POLICIES



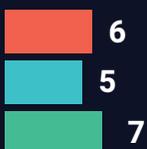
### BUILDINGS



### TRANSPORTATION



### INDUSTRY



## GOING LOCAL

Alberta hovers just above the lowest tier of provinces in energy efficiency policy, buoyed largely by municipal and industrial energy efficiency initiatives funded through the proceeds of the Technology Innovation and Emissions Reduction (TIER) regulation.

Alberta's program energy savings are amongst the lowest in Canada, with annual electricity savings of 0.1% of sales in 2020, down from 0.8% in 2017 under Energy Efficiency Alberta.

Since Energy Efficiency Alberta was shut down programs have been picked up by the Municipal Climate Change Action Centre (MCCAC) and Emissions Reduction Alberta. The latter launched a new program for small and medium-sized businesses in 2021, with a budget of \$55 million.

Most concerning is the continued loss of expert knowledge. There are 60 fewer Certified Energy Managers in the province this year.

## STRENGTHS

**Municipal leadership:** Rocky Mountain House, Devon, and Edmonton enacted by-laws enabling repayment of energy upgrades through the property tax bill. Edmonton has a voluntary large building energy benchmarking program. Some of these municipal initiatives are supported by provincial funding.

**Public Transit electrification:** Edmonton had 43% of all electric buses in the country in 2020, which makes Alberta the top province when it comes to electrifying transit fleets.

## OPPORTUNITIES

**Energy efficiency resource standards:** Unlike almost all other jurisdictions in North America, Alberta does not integrate energy efficiency into its management of electricity and natural gas systems. That means Albertans pay more than they need to in both economic and environmental costs for energy generation. The government can introduce a cost-effective energy savings target, similar to its targets for renewable energy.

Alberta continues to lose points, with 22 points out of 100, but climbs one place in this year's rankings



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