

Residential Wood Combustion Tool

Demonstration for EPA's Emissions Inventory Conference April 13, 2015







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Source Categories



SCC	Description
2104008100	Fireplace: general
2104008210	Woodstove: fireplace inserts; non-EPA certified
2104008220	Woodstove: fireplace inserts; EPA certified; non-catalytic
2104008230	Woodstove: fireplace inserts; EPA certified; catalytic
2104008310	Woodstove: freestanding, non-EPA certified
2104008320	Woodstove: freestanding, EPA certified, non-catalytic
2104008330	Woodstove: freestanding, EPA certified, catalytic
2104008400	Woodstove: pellet-fired, general
2104008500	Furnace: Indoor, general
2104008610	Hydronic heater: outdoor
2104008700	Outdoor wood burning device, NEC
2104009000	Residential Firelogs Total: All Combustor Types

RWC Emissions Calculations



RWC Calculation Methodology:

Emissions (tons) =

Number of homes × Appliance Fraction ×

Burn Rate (cords/year) ×

Pumber of appliances

Number of cords

Convert cords to tons

Emission factor (tons of pollution/tons of wood) Calculate tons of pollution

Appliance Fractions



- Percentage of homes in each county that use each type of wood-burning appliance
- Calculated from survey data
 - American Housing Survey (U.S. Census Bureau)
 - State and local surveys
- Appliance Fraction =

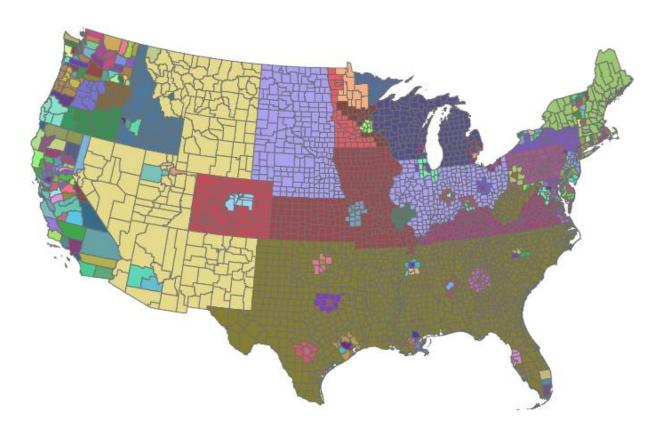
Number of Homes with Appliance + Total Homes in Survey

Divided into Main, Secondary, and Pleasure heating

Appliance Fractions



Unique appliance profiles



Burn Rates

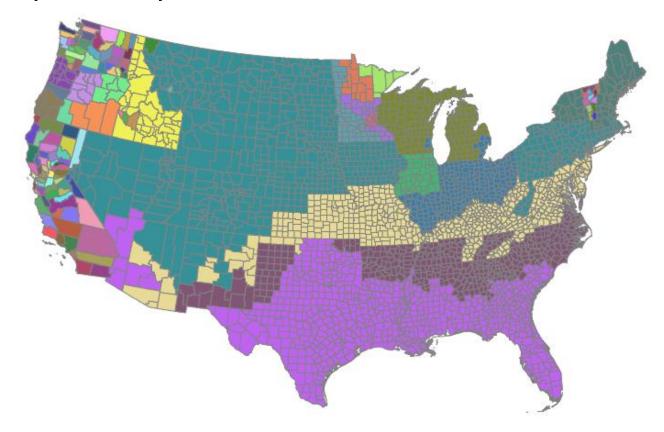


- Amount of wood (tons or cords) burned in each appliance annually
- Estimated based on state and local RWC surveys and expert judgment
- Also separated in the Main, Secondary, and Pleasure

Burn Rates



Unique burn profiles



Density of Firewood

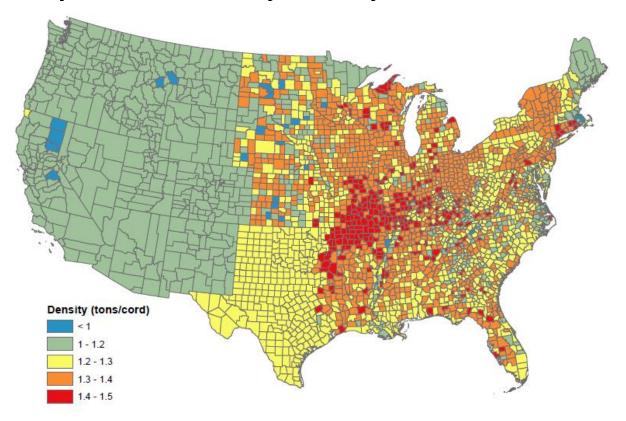


- Used to covert data on cords of firewood to tons
- County-level data from U.S. Forest Service Timber Products Output database

Density of Firewood



Density of firewood by county



Questions?

