

Setting a Target for Corporate Greenhouse Gas Reduction

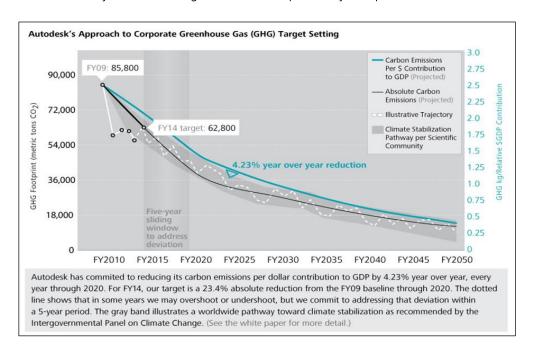
Autodesk has developed a new approach that corporations can follow in setting targets to reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions. The approach calls for companies to reduce GHG emissions in line with global scientific and policy climate stabilization targets, and in proportion to companies' relative contribution to the economy, measured by gross domestic product (GDP).

If all companies were to adopt this approach, private sector emissions would be on track to help stabilize the climate by 2050. Autodesk makes this approach open source so that other companies can adopt and build upon it.

Autodesk's Approach to Setting a Target

The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) reports that in order for climate stabilization to occur, industrialized countries need to reduce their absolute GHG emissions by 85% by the year 2050. Our approach, called C-FACT, entails creating an index that enables companies to:

- Align corporate GHG reduction target with the IPCC goal
- Adjust for relative contribution to global GDP
- Annually recalculate target based on the previous year's performance



Autodesk has committed to following this approach through the year 2020. In the spirit of transparency, we will publish the annual target derived from this methodology and our performance against that target at the close of each fiscal year (FY).

In fiscal year 2013, we achieved a 34% reduction in absolute emissions compared with our fiscal year 2009 baseline. This exceeds the target of a 19.3% reduction we established using

our C-FACT methodology. Our fiscal year 2014 target is a 23.4% absolute reduction from our baseline. We will continue to pursue reduction initiatives to achieve this target.



Setting a Corporate Greenhouse Gas TargetWatch this video for an overview of Autodesk's methodology.

Learn about what we do to reduce our carbon footprint beginning on page 24 of the FY13 Autodesk Sustainability Report.



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C-FACT Questions and Answers (pdf - 276Kb) Read frequently asked questions about C-FACT, including what makes it unique, its benefits and how it works.

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