Green Buildings in the District of Columbia
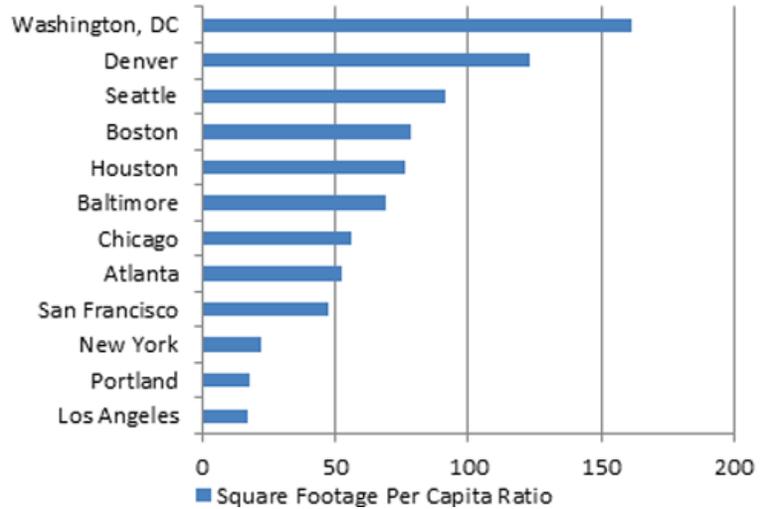
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With the passage of the landmark Green Building Act in 2006, the District became the first major city in the U.S. to require green building certification for both the public and private sectors. Per capita, the District leads all cities in the U.S. in the number and square footage of both LEED and ENERGY STAR certified buildings and projects.
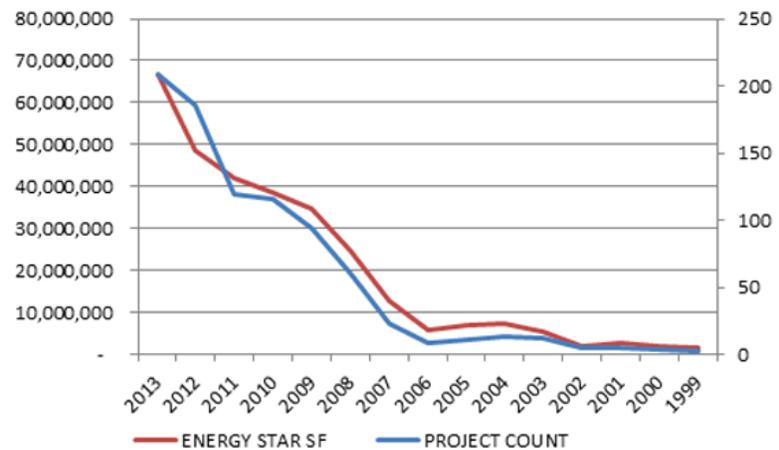
District of Columbia Rankings Nationally

⊕ 1st in nation of per-capita LEED certified projects and square footage for cities with more than 200,000 people

⊕ 1st in nation of per-capita LEED certified projects among states

⊕ 4th in nation in certified square footage in total numbers among U.S. cities

⊕ 1st in nation of per capita ENERGY STAR certified buildings for cities with more than 200,000 people

⊕ 2nd in nation (DC metro area) of total ENERGY STAR certified buildings in real numbers

⊕ **LEED Projects Overview (as of 9/9/14)**
524 LEED certified projects
100.5 million LEED certified square footage

⊕ **ENERGY STAR Projects Overview (as of 12/31/13)**
208 ENERGY STAR projects in 2013
66.8 million ENERGY STAR square feet

LEED Certification Square Footage Per Capita

Cities (top to bottom): Washington, DC; Denver; Seattle; Boston; Houston; Baltimore; Chicago; Atlanta; San Francisco; New York; Portland; Los Angeles

Legend: ■ Square Footage Per Capita Ratio

ENERGY STAR Certification in the District, 1999-2013

Legend: —— ENERGY STAR SF —— PROJECT COUNT

LEED Certification Levels - District of Columbia

Certified 8%
Platinum 12%
Silver 26%
Gold 54%
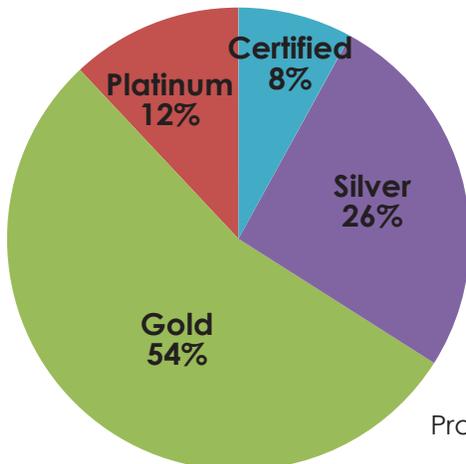
Total Certified Projects (DC): 524

LEED Certification Levels - United States

Platinum 5%
Certified 22%
Gold 38%
Silver 35%
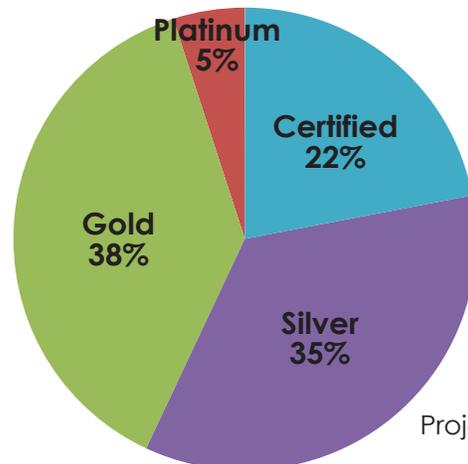
Total Certified Projects (US): 20,116