Ontario: 11.8
Sweden: 5.5
New York State: 10.6

Annual greenhouse gas emissions per person (tonnes)

Energy use per person (gigajoules)

Ontario: 221
Sweden: 137
New York State: 187

Percentage of energy supplied by renewable sources

Ontario: 51%
Sweden: 9%
New York State: 12%

Percentage of new passenger cars sold that are electric

Ontario: 8.2%
Sweden: 12%
New York State: 3.2%

Solving the climate puzzle: The Swedish example

Despite a similar economy and climate, Ontario lags far behind Sweden, and even behind neighbouring New York State, in reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

Like Ontario, much of Sweden’s population is concentrated in the country’s south. Stockholm has an average winter temperature that is 0.6 degrees C colder than Toronto’s, yet Sweden uses 38% less energy per person than Ontario.