

GREEN BUSINESS SCORECARD

Contra Costa County Climate Leaders

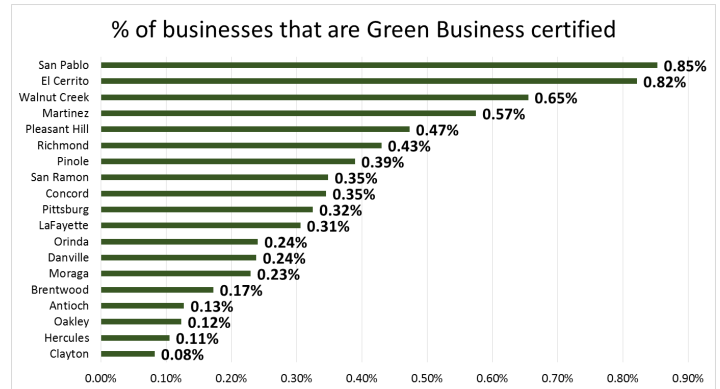
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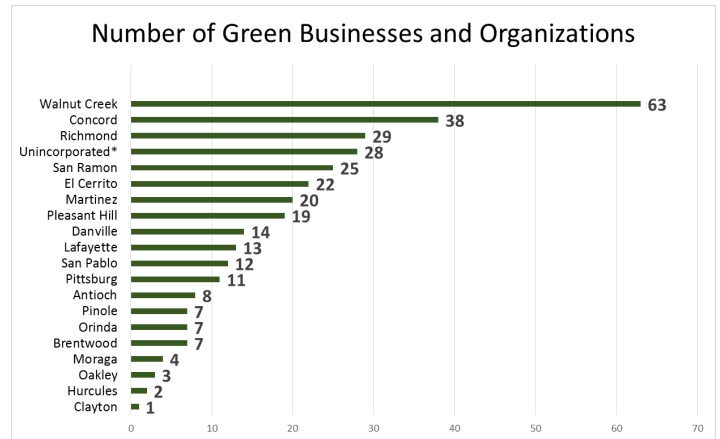


- **Cities and Towns across the nation are working with business owners within their communities, as part of their Climate Action Plans (CAP) to meet the State of California's overall goal of reducing Greenhouse Gas Emissions.**
- **Nearly half of the Greenhouse Gas Emissions in Contra Costa County are from Commercial, Industrial, and Business operations¹**
- **About 1 in 5 small business owners said climate change has already harmed their operations. For these and other smaller companies, anticipating and innovating are crucial for success —Contra Costa Times**

Contra Costa County's 333 certified green businesses make up approximately 12% of the entire State of California's Green Business Program!



The intent of this Scorecard is not necessarily to identify which cities have the greenest businesses. Rather, it recognizes the efforts of those cities that have been successful in fostering the California Green Business Certification program in their community.



Sources

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<http://www.co.contra-costa.ca.us/DocumentCenter/Home/View/2253>

2 The Contra Costa County and its Cities are ranked based on the number of businesses that are listed as Green Business Certified at <http://www.greenbusinessca.org/> divided by the total number of businesses identified in the Census' 2007 Survey of Business Owners (<http://factfinder.census.gov/>). This Data was Retrieved on 5/30/15.



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This Year California Green Businesses Saved

\$30 Million

>124 Million gallons of water

> 822 Thousand Metric
tons of CO2

> 419 Thousand Metric
tons of waste

> Nearly 300 Million
kilowatt-hours Energy

> 13 Thousand gallons of fuel

City	City/Town has a Link to the Green Business Website	The Chamber of Commerce has a Link to the Green Business Website	Number of Green Business Certified Municipal Buildings	Rank ²
San Pablo				1
El Cerrito	X		1	2
Walnut Creek	X		2	3
Martinez			1	4
Pleasant Hill	X	X		5
Richmond	X	X	1	6
Pinole				7
San Ramon	X			8
Concord			4	9
Pittsburg	X		3	10
Lafayette	X	X	1	11
Orinda				12
Danville	X	X	2	13
Moraga				14
Brentwood	X		1	15
Antioch	X		1	16
Oakley				17
Hercules				18
Clayton				19
CC County			4	

Additional resources to help businesses become greener:

<http://www.ccwater.com/156/Commercial>

<http://www.co.contra-costa.ca.us/4783/Energy-Efficiency-for-Businesses>

<http://www.pacenow.org/resources/all-programs/>

<http://coolcalifornia.org/small-business>

<http://www.greenbiz.ca.gov/greenbiz.html>

<http://www.cccclimateleaders.org/workshops/business-sustainability.html>

