



Report of
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**City Operations for Mitigation of
Global Climate Change**

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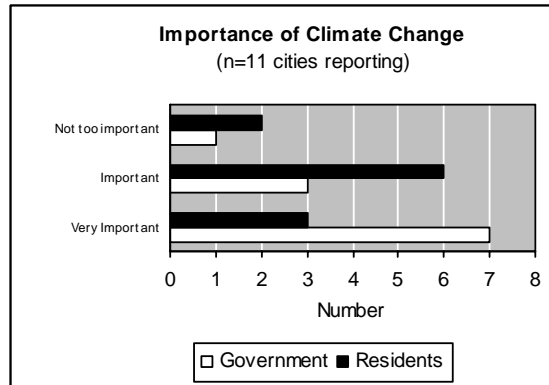


SURVEY: Cities Responding

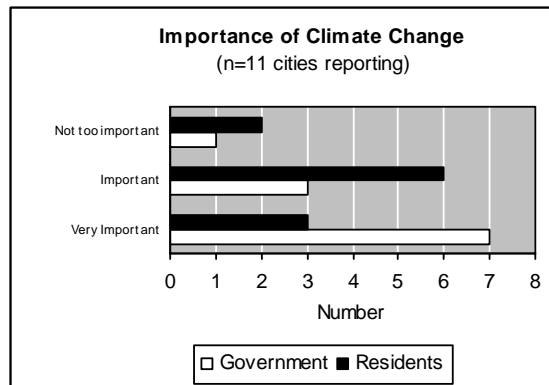
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 - Taebaek, Korea
 - Tromso, Norway
 - Anchorage, USA
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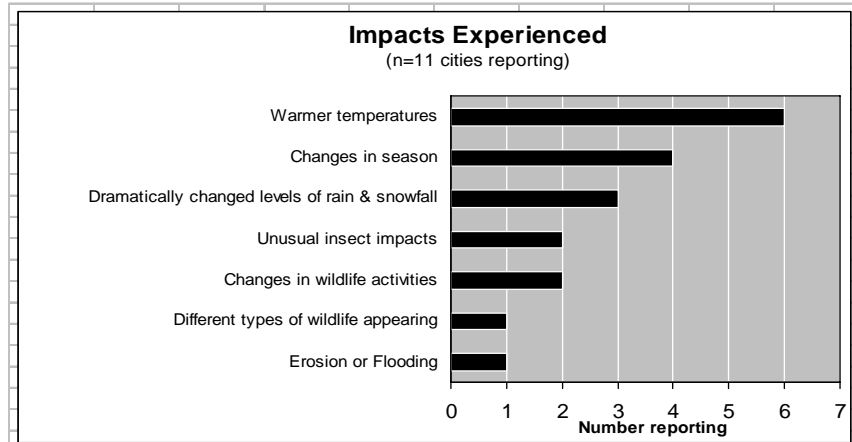
SURVEY Q2: How important does your city consider Global Climate Change?



SURVEY Q3: How important do your city's residents consider Global Climate Change?



SURVEY Q4: What evidence of Global Climate Change is your city experiencing?



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SURVEY Q5: New City Departments formed to deal with Global Climate Change?

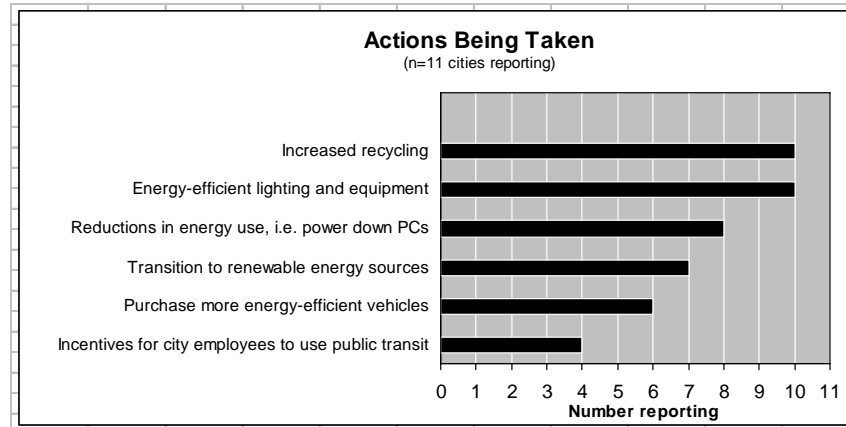
- Anchorage: Full-time Director of Sustainability and Program Interns
- Sapporo: Eco-City Promotion Department (14 staff)
- Nuuk: Environmental Department (3 staff)
- Prince George: Division of Long Range Planning (3 staff) and Integrated Community Sustainability Planning (1 staff)
- Harbin: Leading Group for Energy-Saving and Emission Reduction



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SURVEY Q6: New policies in any of the following areas to reduce impacts of Global Climate Change?



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SURVEY Q7: Biggest problem related to Global Climate Change?

Global Climate Change doesn't impact every city in the same way. We face different challenges including:

- Increased susceptibility to wildfires (Anchorage).
- Unusual drought and monsoons which damage agriculture (Changchun, Harbin, Hwacheon).
- Difficulty raising public awareness about climate change and conservation efforts (Aomori).
- Providing cleaner more efficient heating and air conditioning (Taebaek, Jiamusi).
- Unusually warm temperatures impact timber and fishing industries (Prince George, Tromso).
- Becoming more sustainable and self-sufficient in the face of geographic remoteness (Nuuk).
- Coordinating local initiatives and group efforts to mitigate climate change (Sapporo).



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SURVEY Q8: Regional or national efforts to reduce greenhouse gas emissions?

In addition to several nations that have signed on to the Kyoto Protocol, many Winter Cities participate in regional or national efforts to reduce greenhouse gas emissions

- Aomori - Team Minus 6% (Japan)
- Prince George - British Columbia Climate Action Charter and the Federation of Canadian Municipalities "Partners for Climate Protection" (Canada)
- Anchorage - U.S. Conference of Mayors pact (United States)
- Sapporo - Environmental Partnership Office Hokkaido (Japan)
- Tromso - Cities of the Future (Norway)
- Harbin - Leading Group on Energy-Saving and Emission Reduction (China)

