

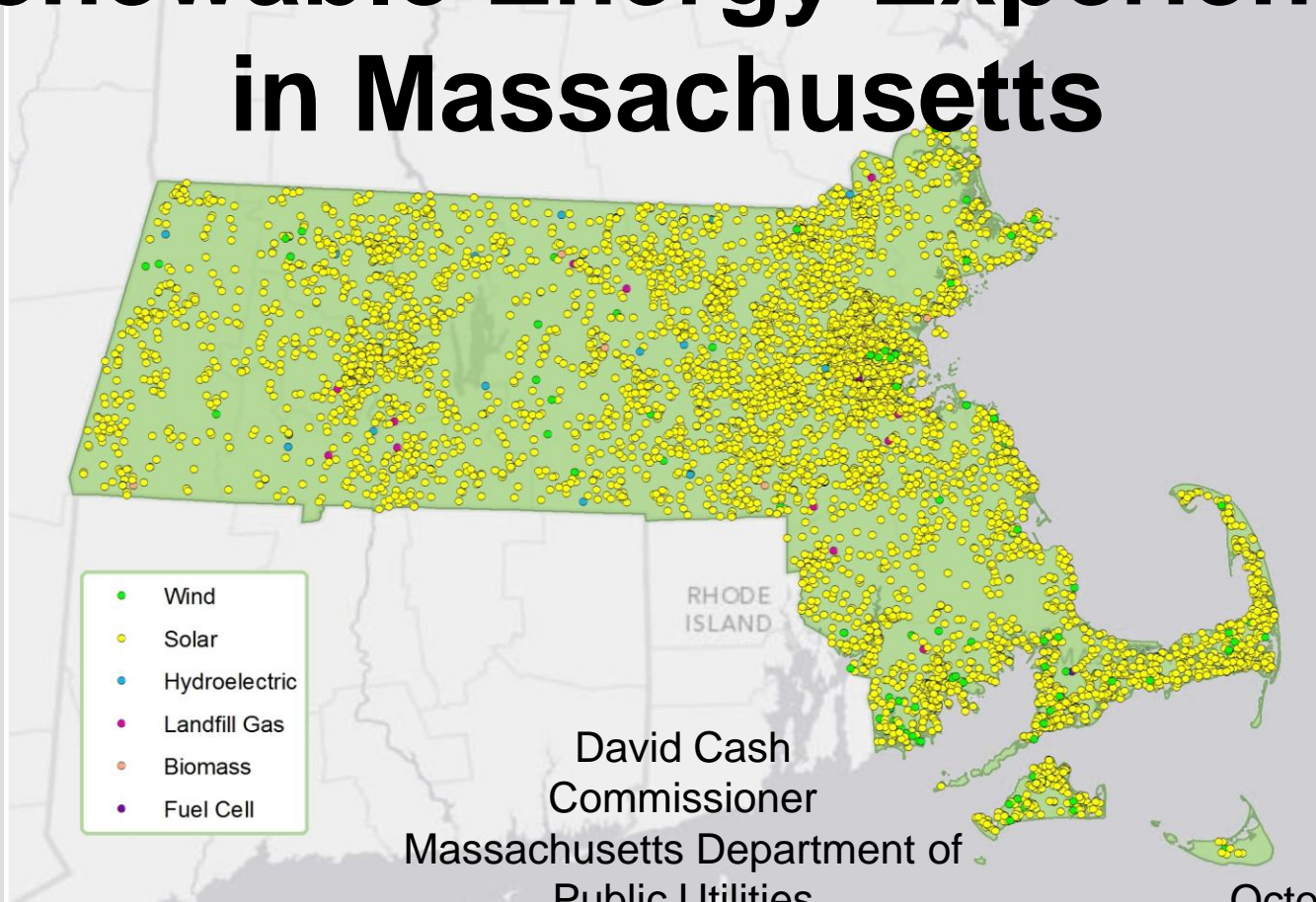


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# Renewable Energy Experience in Massachusetts



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## Overview

- Success is driven by an integrated and comprehensive approach focused on:
  - incentives,
  - removing regulatory barriers,
  - lowering energy costs and price volatility
  - becoming more energy independent
  - increasing jobs
  - building the sector all across the value chain, and
  - Environmental improvement

## The Package

- New stakeholder processes
- New laws and regulations to unleash both:
  - Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy
- Align incentives for utilities and consumers
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- Remove permitting barriers
- Link state and towns
- Encourage new regional market rules that let energy efficiency and renewable energy participate

## Stakeholder Process

- Stakeholder process at all phases, but especially in early phases
  - Developers, IPPs, electric customers (business/residential), finance/banks, utilities, decision-makers
- Results in political and economic sustainable decisions, based on
  - Salience
  - Credibility
  - Legitimacy

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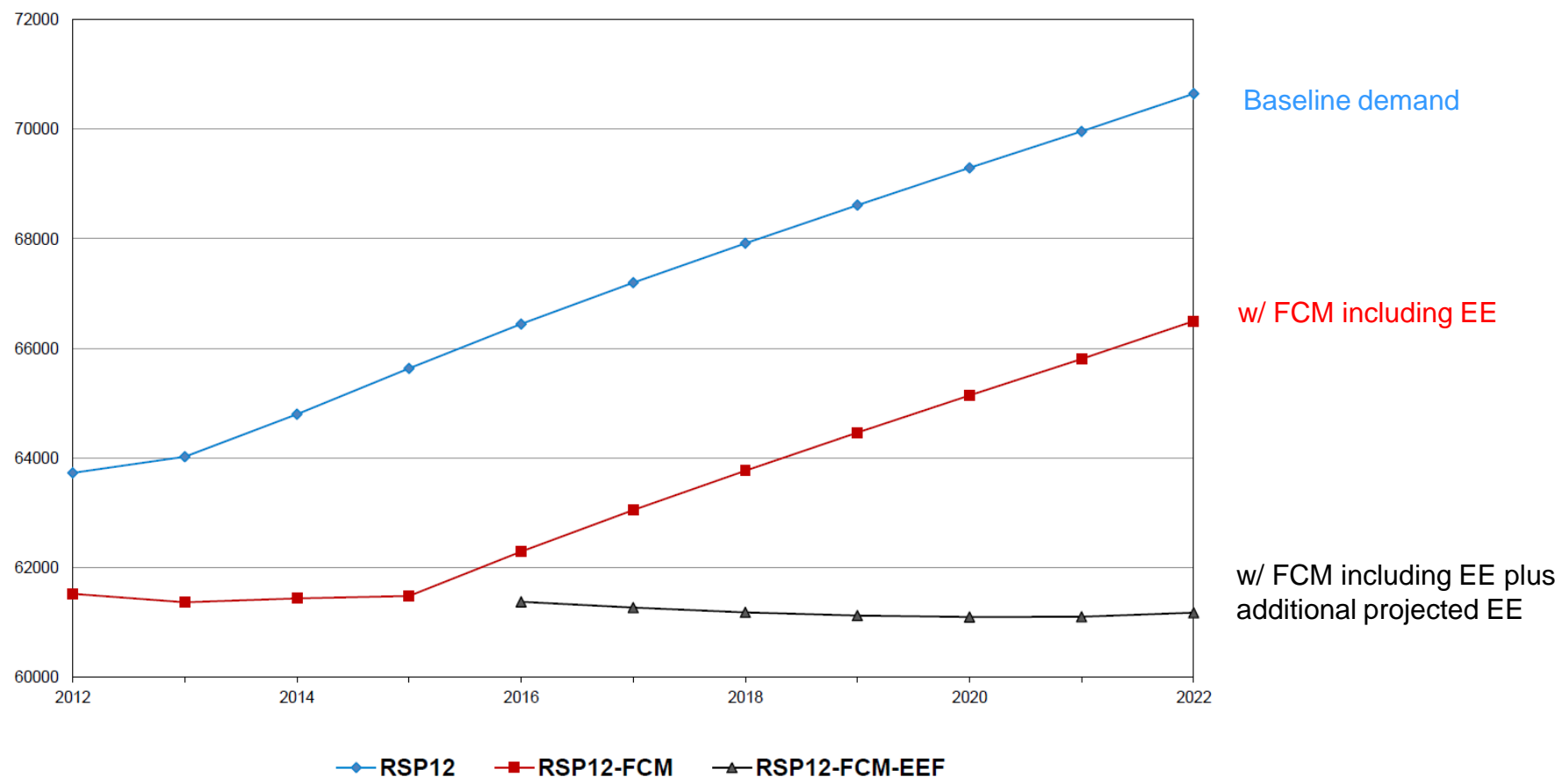
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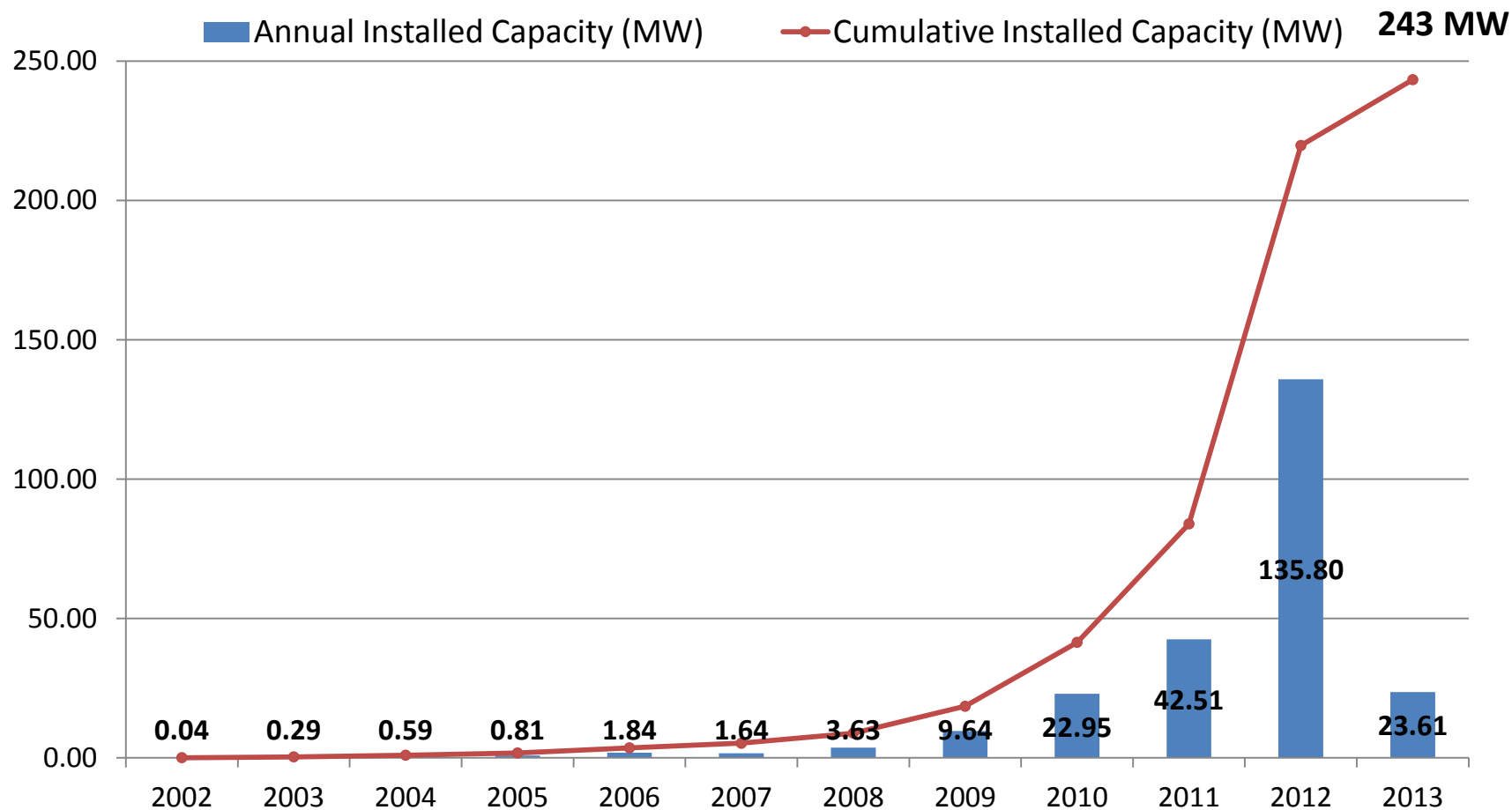
- Linking Energy & Environment
  - Creating the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs
- All cost-effective EE
  - Customers get \$\$ to retrofit
- De-coupling
  - Energy companies get \$\$ to sell less energy
- Renewable Energy Standards (Green Certificates)
  - Electric companies must provide a certain amount of renewable energy; \$\$ for those who make RE
  - Harmonized across the region
- Long-term Contracts
  - Electric companies must have LTCs w/ RE
- Net-metering
  - Customers can get \$\$ for “behind the meter” renewables
- Support for Green Communities
  - If a city or town steps up to the plate, the state will help
- ISO integration of RE
  - Planning
  - Incorporated into Wholesale Markets
  - Interconnection studies

MA Annual Energy: RSP12 Forecast (GWh)



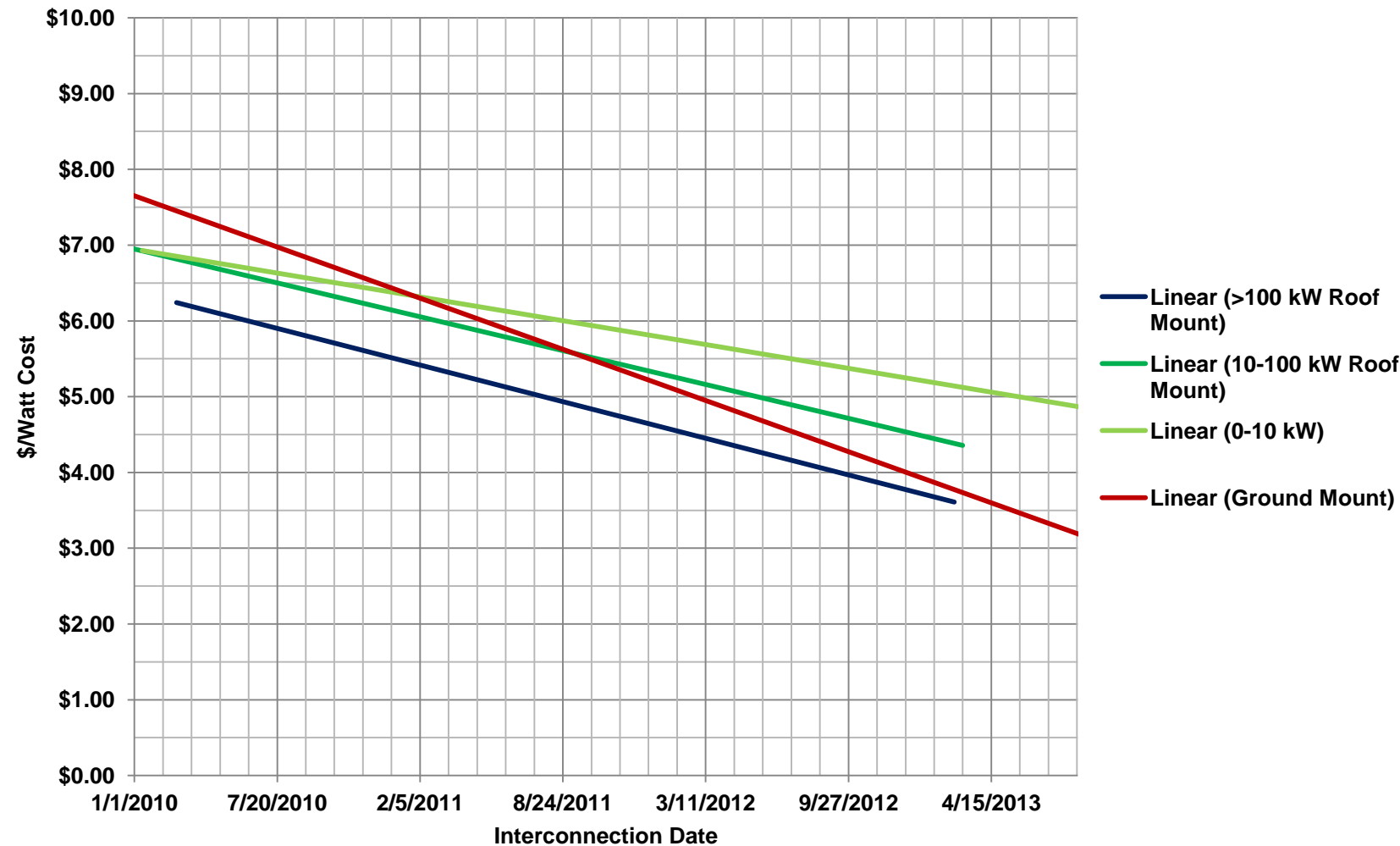
Source: ISO-New England

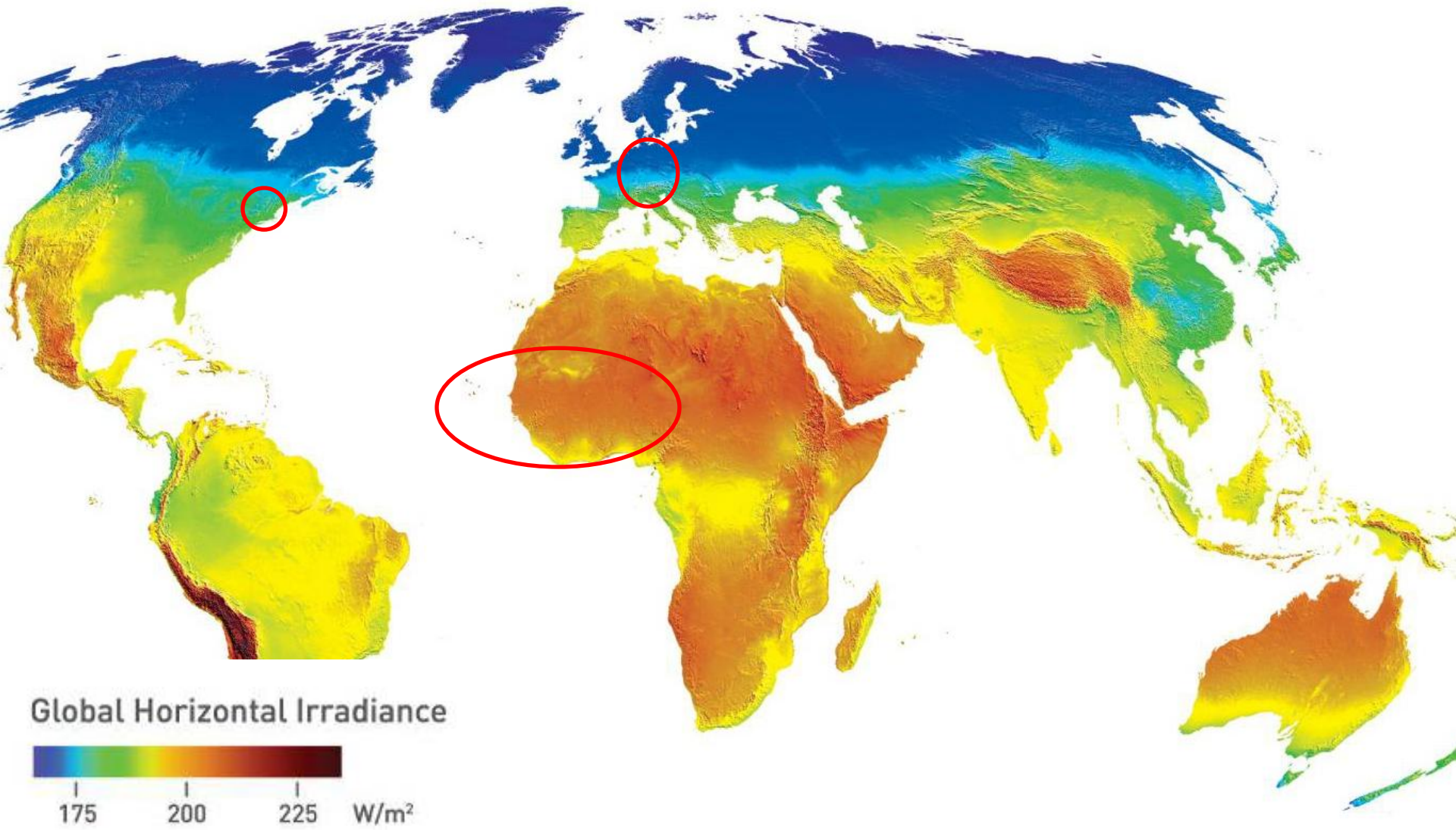
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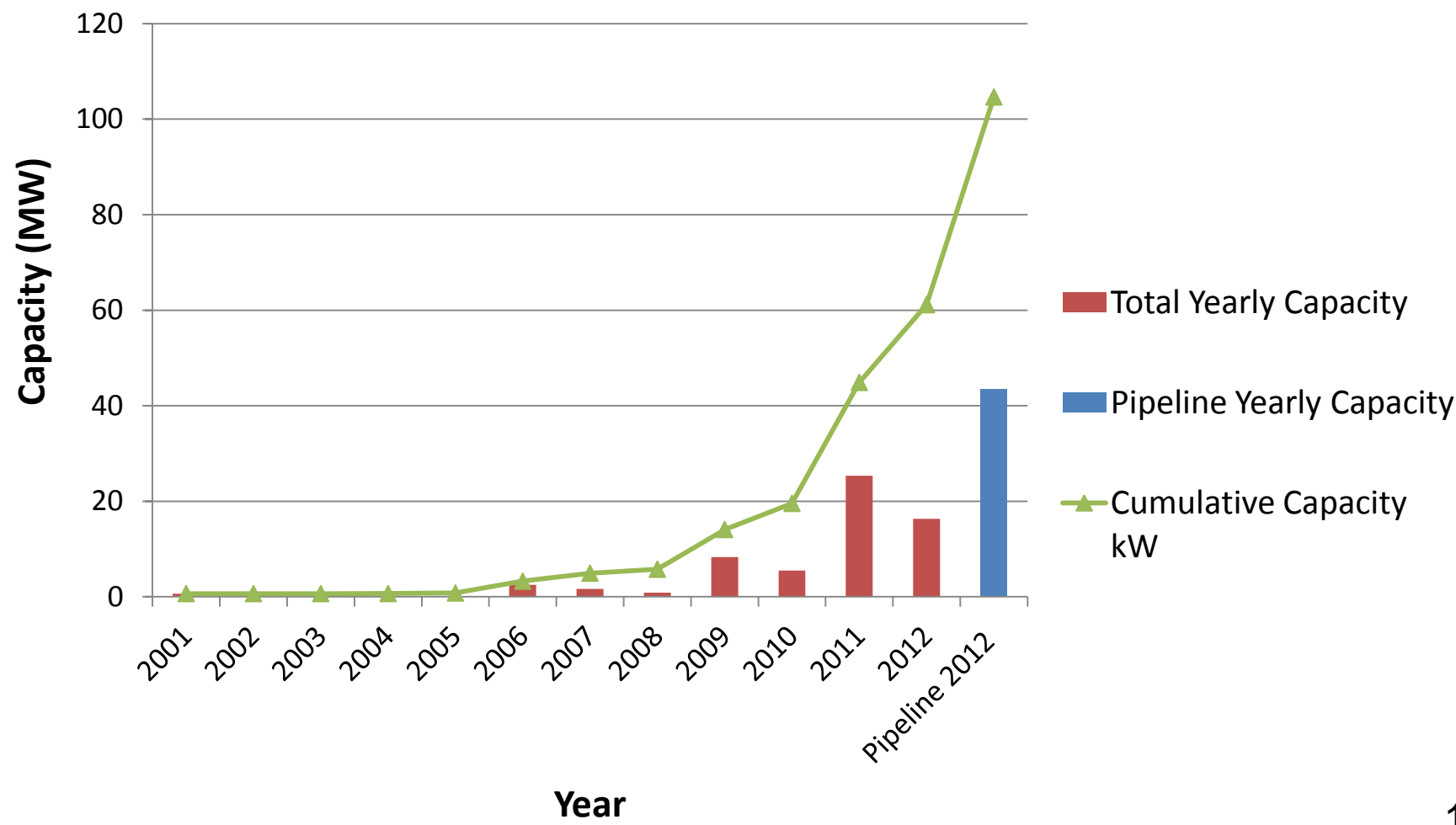


# Average \$/Watt Installed Costs for Solar PV

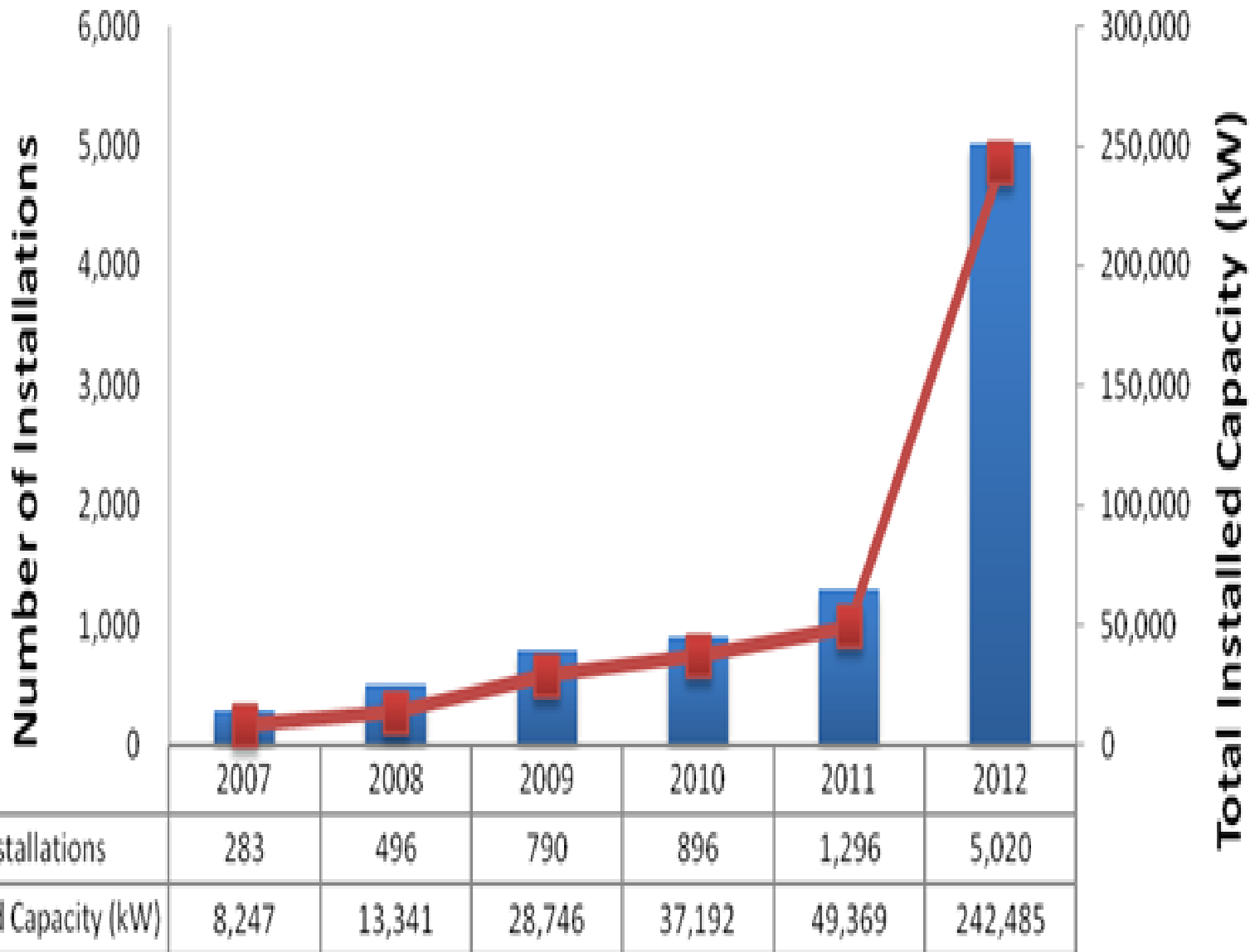




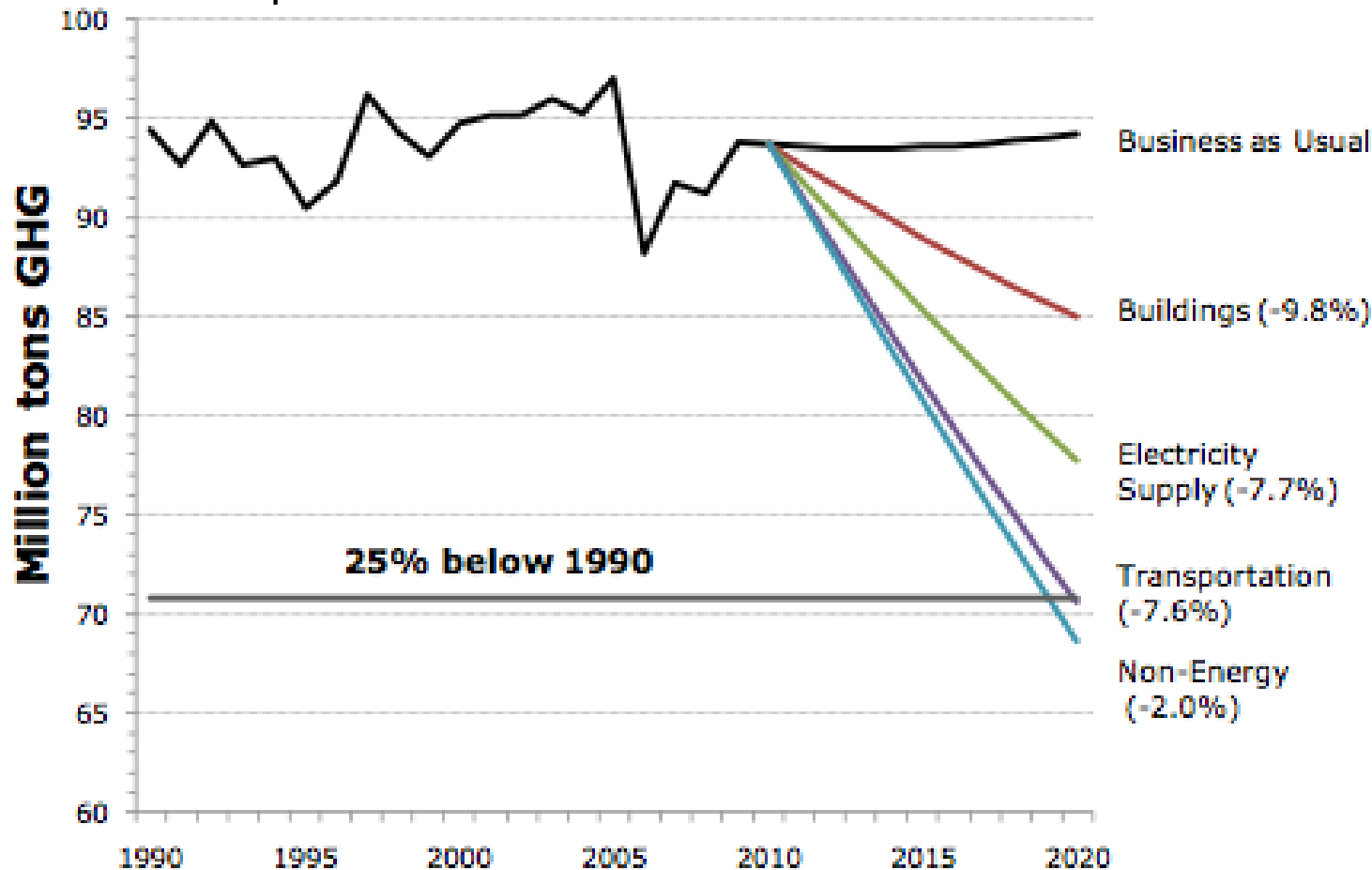
# Yearly and Cumulative Wind Capacity (Installed and Pipeline)



## Distributed Generation



## Required Emissions Reductions

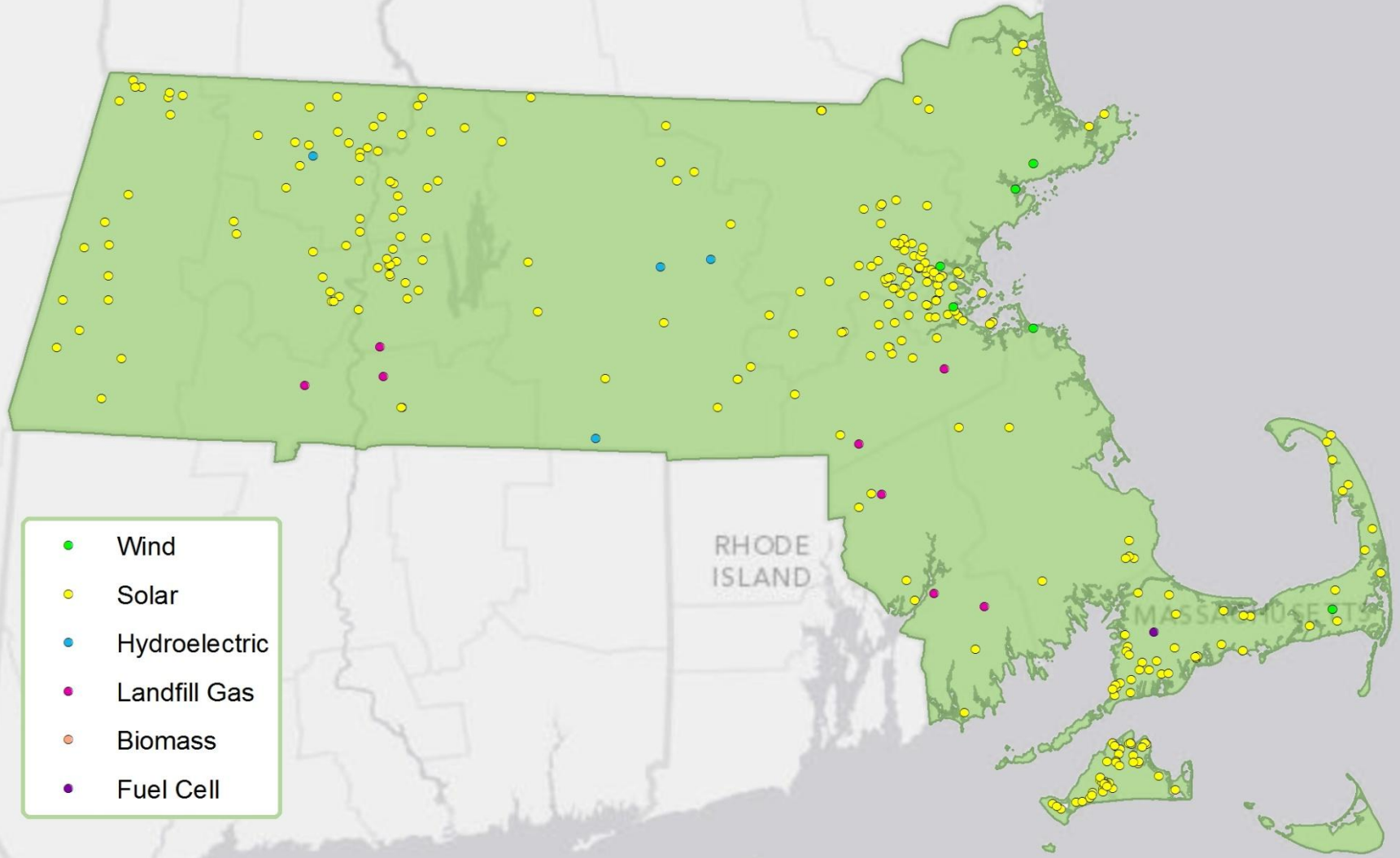






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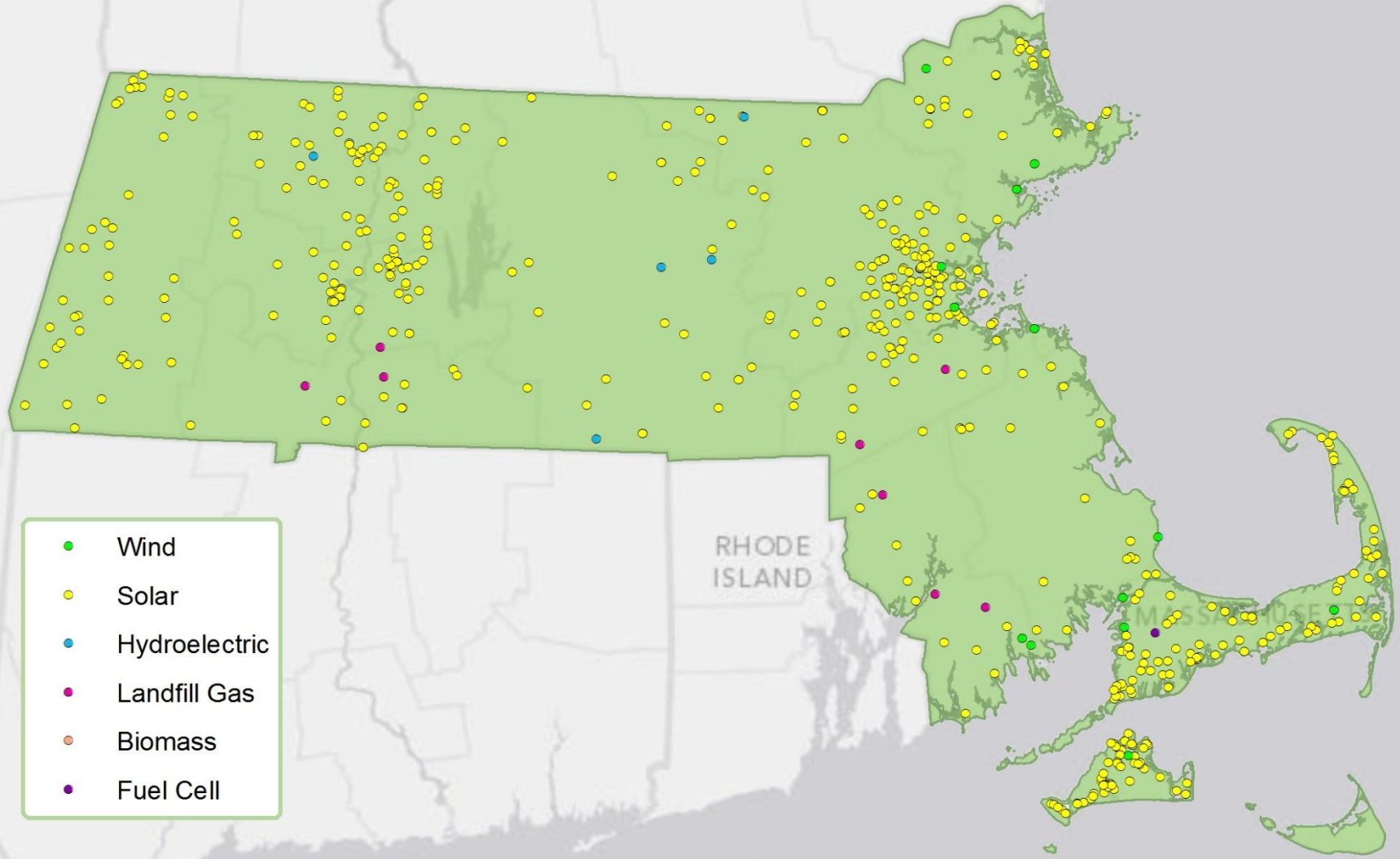






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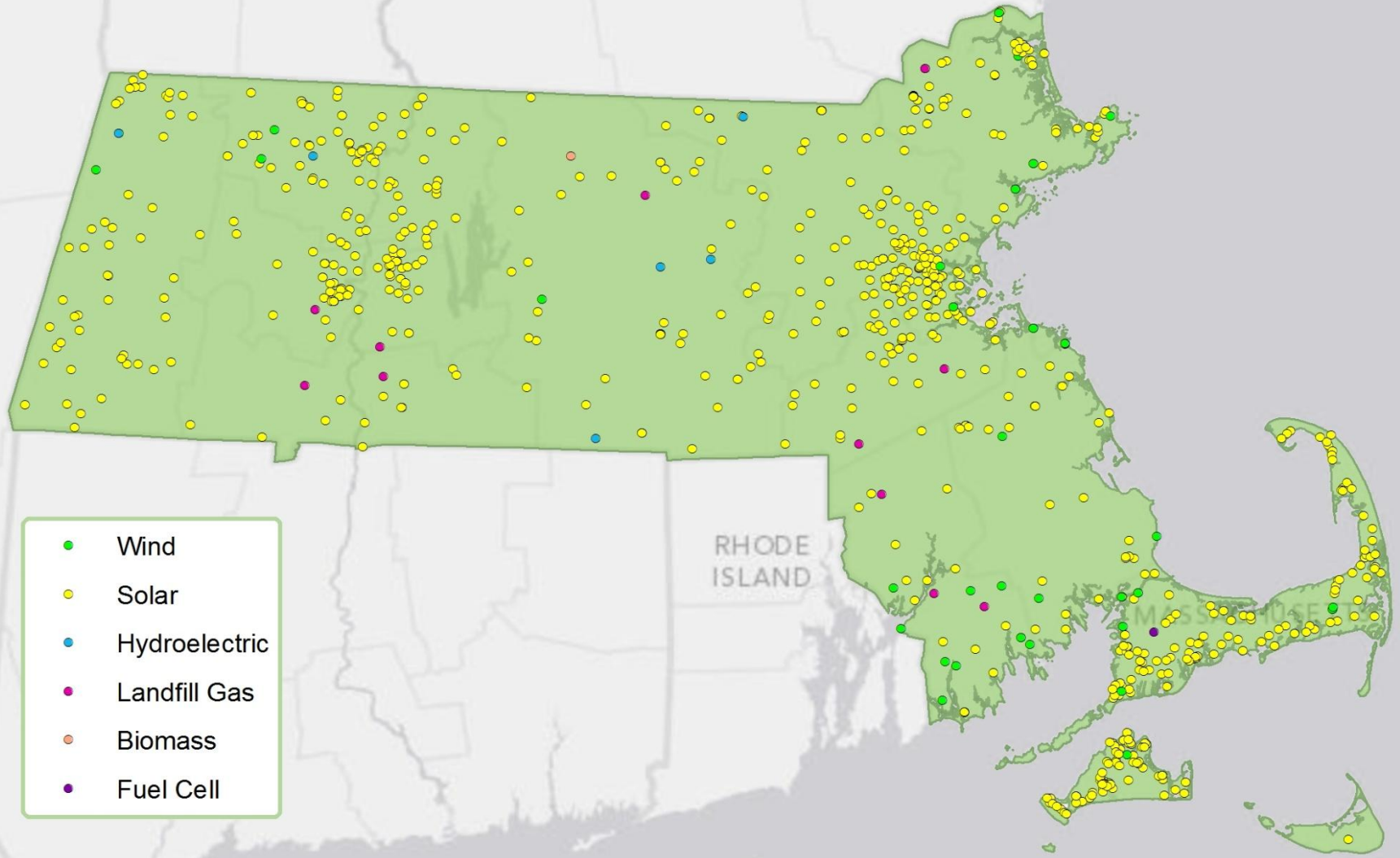


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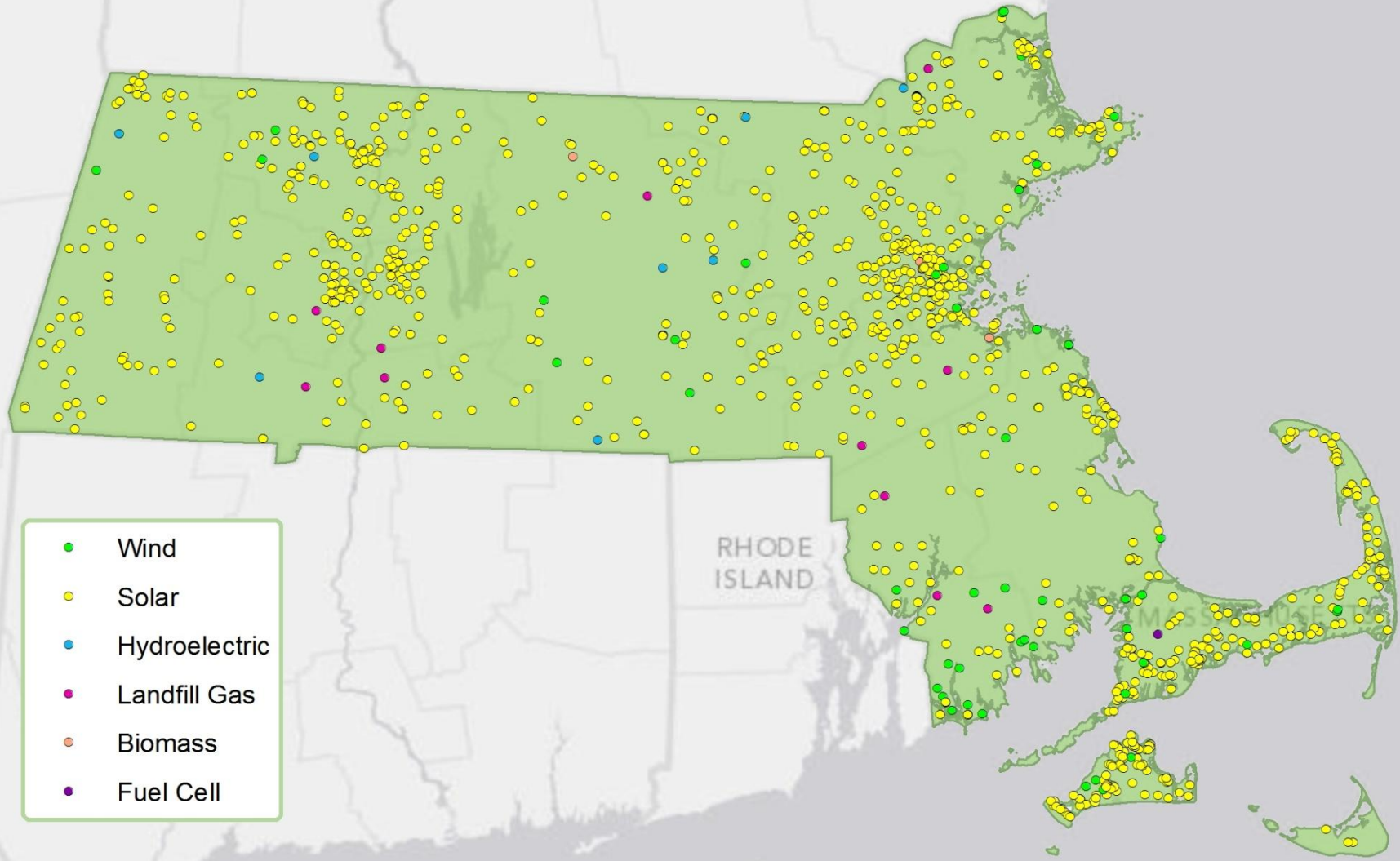


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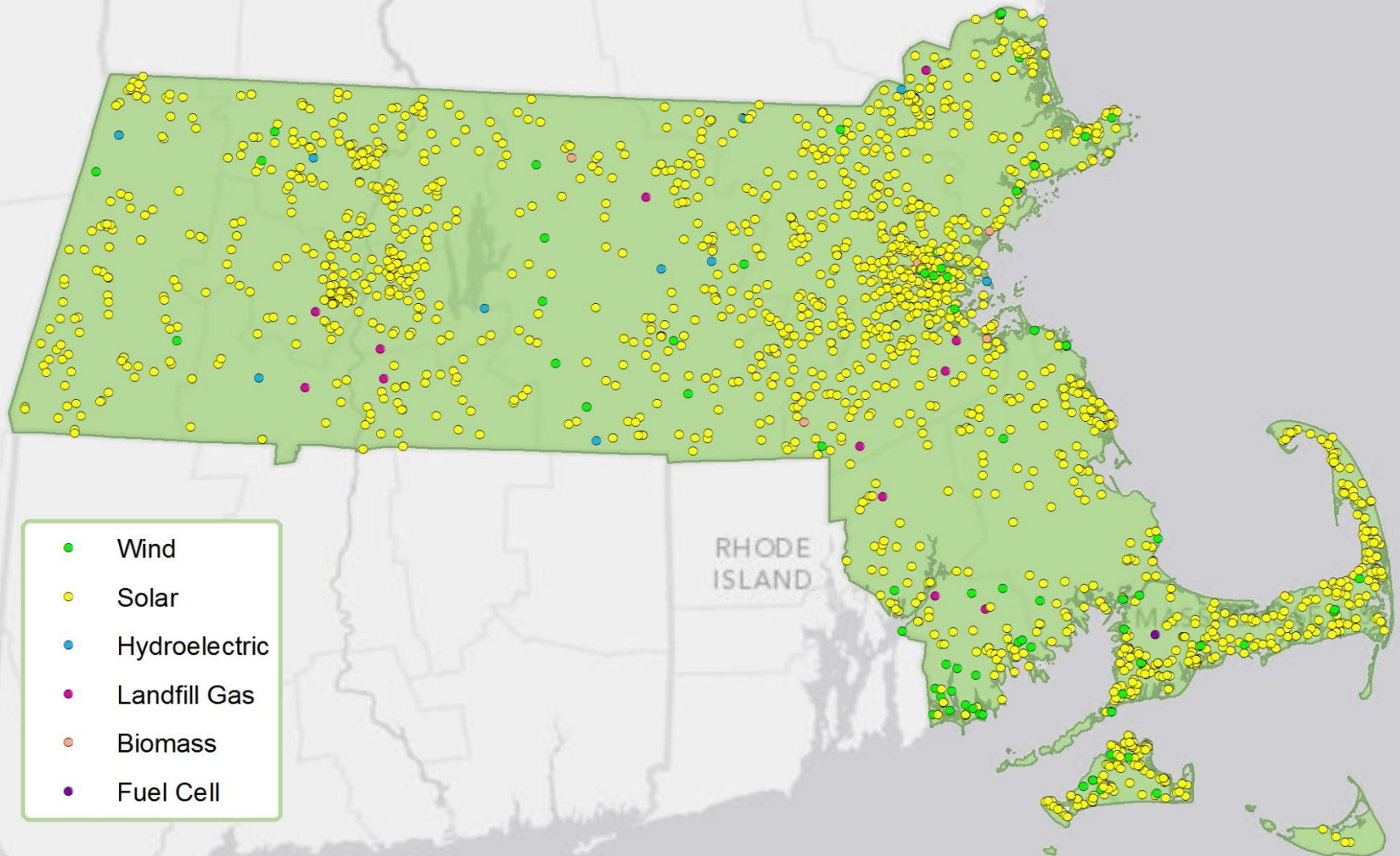
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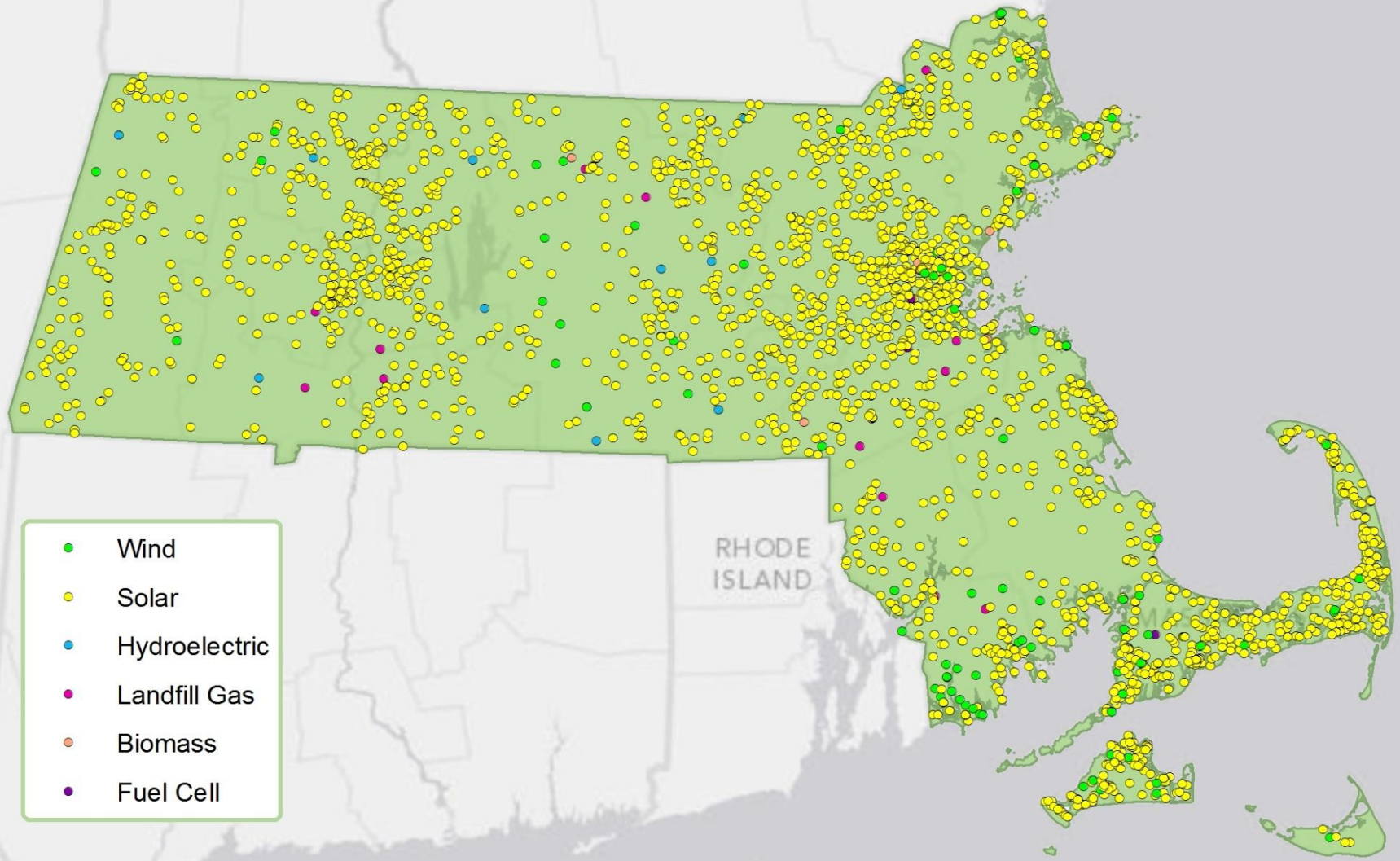
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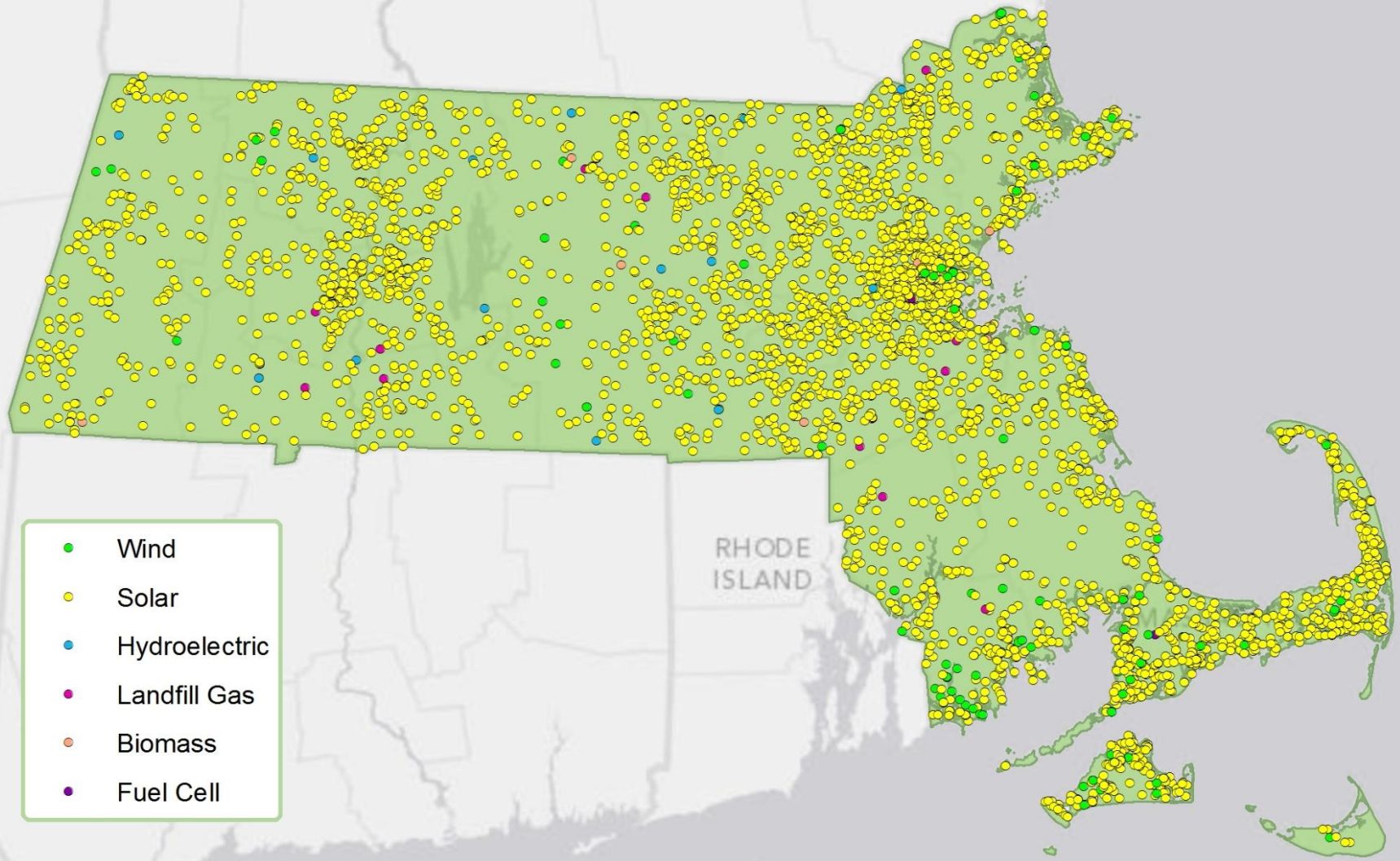
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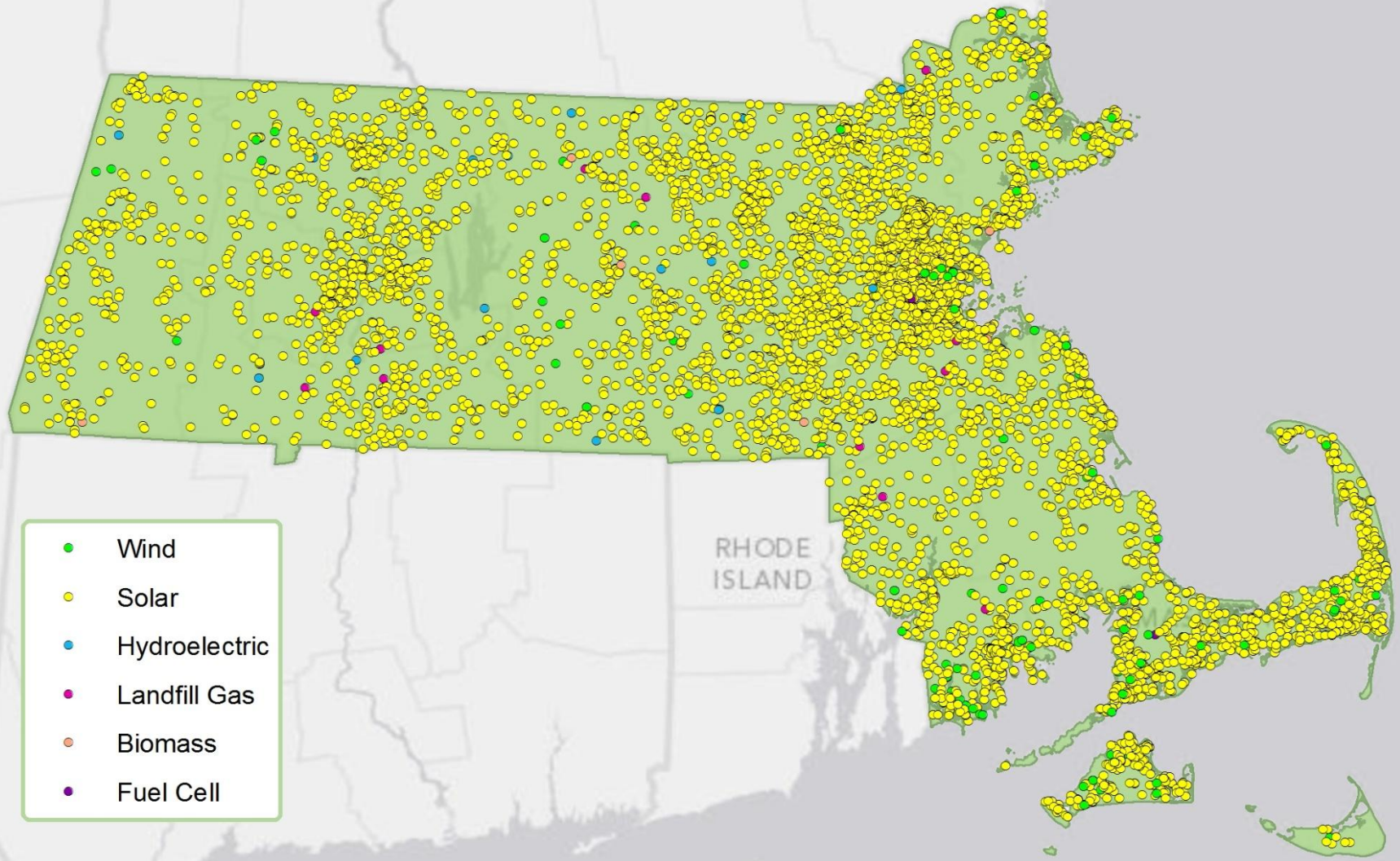
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