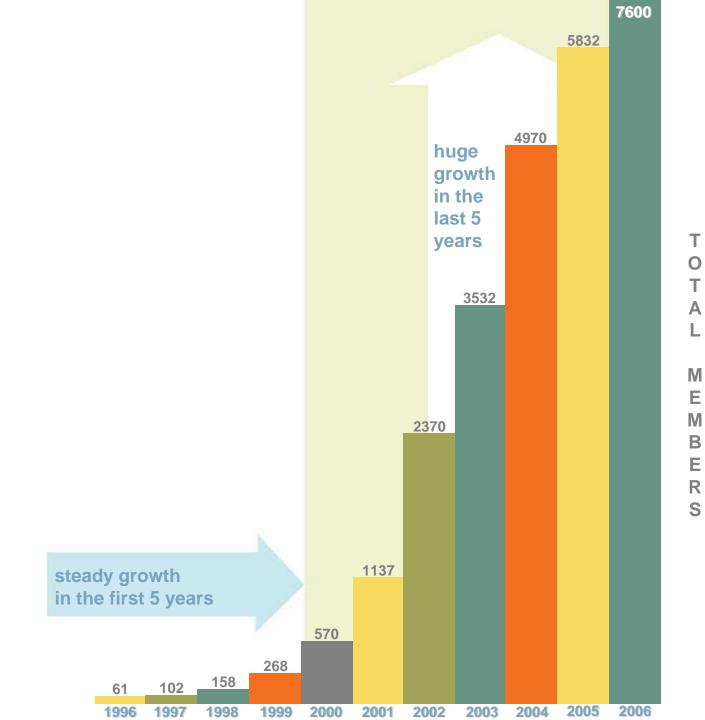


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We envision an environmentally responsible, healthy, and prosperous environment.

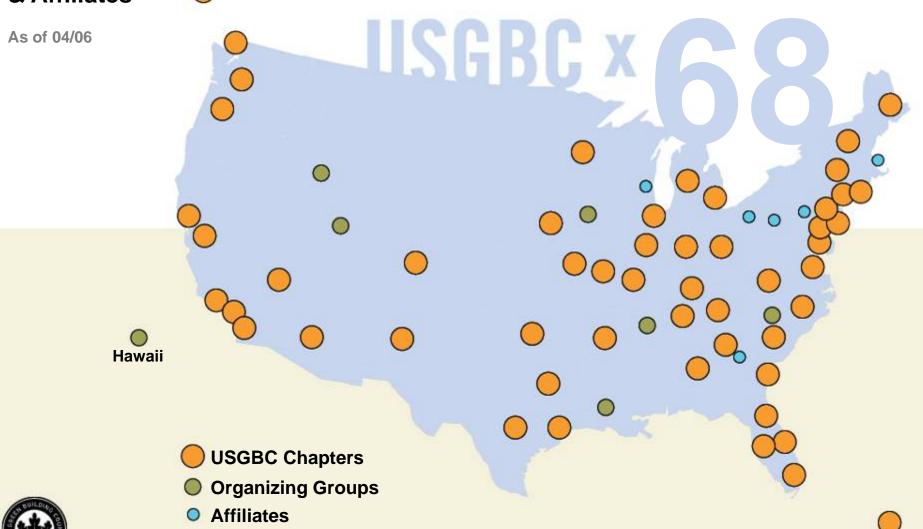






USGBC Chapters, Organizing Groups, & Affiliates

Alaska



Caribbean



What is the LEED System?

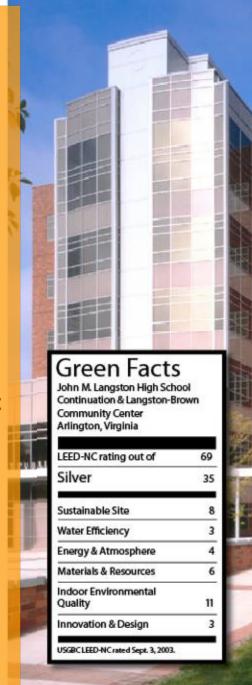
LEADERSHIP in ENERGY and ENVIRONMENTAL DESIGN

A leading-edge system for certifying DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION, & OPERATIONS of the greenest buildings in the world

Scores are tallied for different aspects of efficiency and design in appropriate categories.

For instance, LEED assesses in detail:

- 1. Site Planning
- 2. Water Management
- 3. Energy Management
- 4. Material Use
- 5. Indoor Environmental Air Quality
- 6. Innovation & Design Process





Levels of LEED Ratings

Green Buildings worldwide are certified with a voluntary, consensus-based rating system.

USGBC has four levels of LEED.







LEED addresses the complete lifecycle of commercial buildings. Programs are in pilot for Homes and Neighborhoods.

HOMES (CURRENTLY IN PILOT)			
NEIGHBORHOOD DEVELOPMENT (CURRENTLY IN PILOT)			
COMMERCIAL INTERIORS			
CORE AND SHELL		EXISTING BUILDINGS	
NEW CONSTRUCTION			
Schools, Hospitals, Laboratories, Retail			
BUILDING LIFECYCLE			
DESIGN	CONSTRUCTION	OPERATIONS	

Increase in LEED **Projects** in three years.

2004:

More than 180 million square feet.

2003:

More than 141 million square feet.

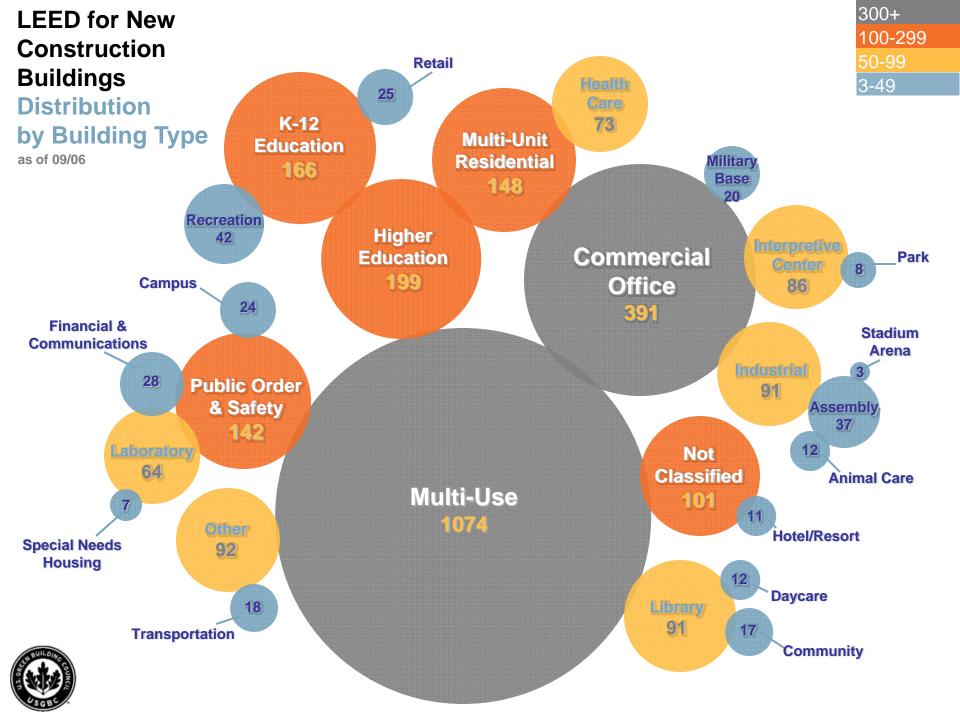
2002: More than 80 million square feet.



2005: 500 million square feet.

642 million square feet.

2006:





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The Greening of America's Campus

It's Easy Being Green

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