

ACTIONS SPEAK LOUDER THAN WORDS

When it comes to environmental progress, President Trump is leading through his actions, while China and other major polluters hide behind the **empty words of the Paris Climate Accord.**

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The United States **reduced its carbon emissions by 40 million metric tons** in 2017. While emissions ticked up slightly in 2018 due to a robust economy, [EIA predicts emissions will continue to decrease in 2019 and 2020.](#)

According to IEA, even with the incremental increase, emissions in the United States remain around their 1990 levels, which is 14% and 800 Mt of CO2 below their peak in 2000. [This is the largest absolute decline among all countries since 2000.](#)

The United States **reduced** six key air pollutants **73%** since 1970. We now have the **cleanest air on record.**

Even cities in the United States that have poor air quality are not entirely to blame. According to the EPA, on certain days almost **25 percent of the particulate matter** in the air above Los Angeles can be **traced to China.**

The United States continues to be a leader on environmental and economic gains. Unfortunately, these improvements are being eroded by polluters like China. It's almost as if the only technology China won't steal from us is our pollution control technology.

China's [carbon emissions in 2017 wiped out the U.S.' reductions](#) more than threefold. Indeed, [China's 2018 emissions are growing even faster.](#) China maybe a signatory of the Paris Accord, but their actions demonstrate it's just words.

In 2017, India saw **emissions rise by 4.8%, or 105 Mt,** with the growth split evenly between power and other sectors such as transport and industry.

While China and India are technically in the Paris Accord, they are some of the **most polluted places** on Earth. In fact, 47 of the 50 [most polluted cities](#) in the world are in India and China.

[All EU countries are off target](#) in reaching initial Paris commitments and have **failed to adjust** domestic policies to meaningfully advance them.

After spending [\\$580 Billion](#) on renewable subsidies Germany has had **no meaningful carbon emissions reductions** and while Germany claims emissions have fallen by 28% since 1990 the bulk of that ["reduction came courtesy of the collapse of East German industry after reunification."](#)



Today, only 17 of 192 countries – including Algeria and Samoa – are [actually meeting their commitments, in most cases because they promised very little.](#) The Paris Climate Accord is a giant flop and President Trump was right to exit this one-sided deal that would have legally bound the United States – handcuffing our economy – while giving the rest of the world a free pass.

