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New Brunswickers Out in Full Force to Support Climate Action

Citizens across New Brunswick joined forces with millions of people in over 70 countries on Saturday, December 8, the International Day of Climate Action.

More communities in New Brunswick participated in this event than any other province in Canada, demonstrating that concern for climate change among New Brunswickers is extremely high. "It was exciting to see people across the province take the Day of Action and run with it. For me, this shows what an important issue climate change is for people, especially here in New Brunswick," said Raissa Marks of the New Brunswick Environmental Network.

Events ranging from marches and demonstrations to the distribution of literature on climate change were held in Bathurst, Cap-Péle, Cocagne, Florenceville, Fredericton, Moncton, Sackville, Saint John, and Sussex. Additionally, students from seven high schools across the province participated in a competition for the greenest student body.

Around the world, people participated in demonstrations and other actions calling on leaders at all levels to take immediate action on climate change. The International Day of Climate Action was organized to coincide with the UN Climate Negotiations in Bali, Indonesia. Although Canada has a large delegation at these negotiations, concerns have been raised both at home and abroad about Canada's position on climate change.

[Photo 1](#) - Residents of Cap-Pele learn about climate change at their local hardware store. (photo credit: Dorothee Mitchell)



[Photo 2](#) - In Cocagne, citizens exchanged old light bulbs for energy efficient ones. (photo credit: Jocelyne Gauvin)



[Photo 3](#) & [photo 4](#) - Monctonians came out in large numbers to call on the government to act on climate change. (photo credit: Sarah Keating)



[Photo 5](#) & [photo 6](#) - Residents in the Saint John area ask the government, “What If...?” (photo credit: Betty Lizotte)



[Photo 7](#) - Walking, talking energy efficient light bulbs paid a visit to business owners in Sussex. (photo credit: Stephanie Coburn)



[Photo 8](#) & [photo 9](#) - Protesting the government's lack of action on climate change in Fredericton.

(photo credit: Nick Logan)





[Photo 10](#) - Chelsea Herbert, age 8, helped spread the message about climate change in Florenceville.



[Photo 11](#) - Climate change carollers sing out in Sackville.

