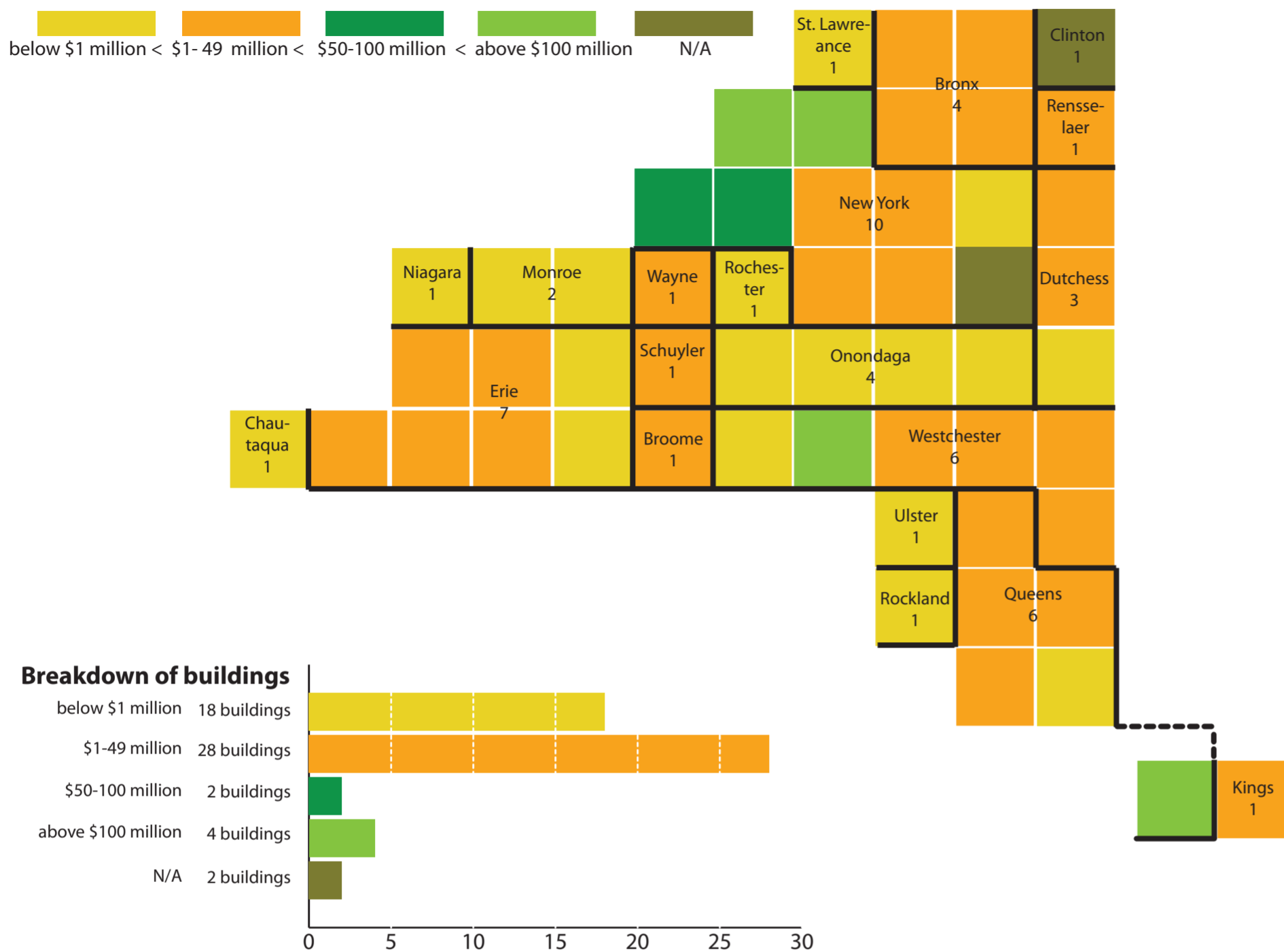
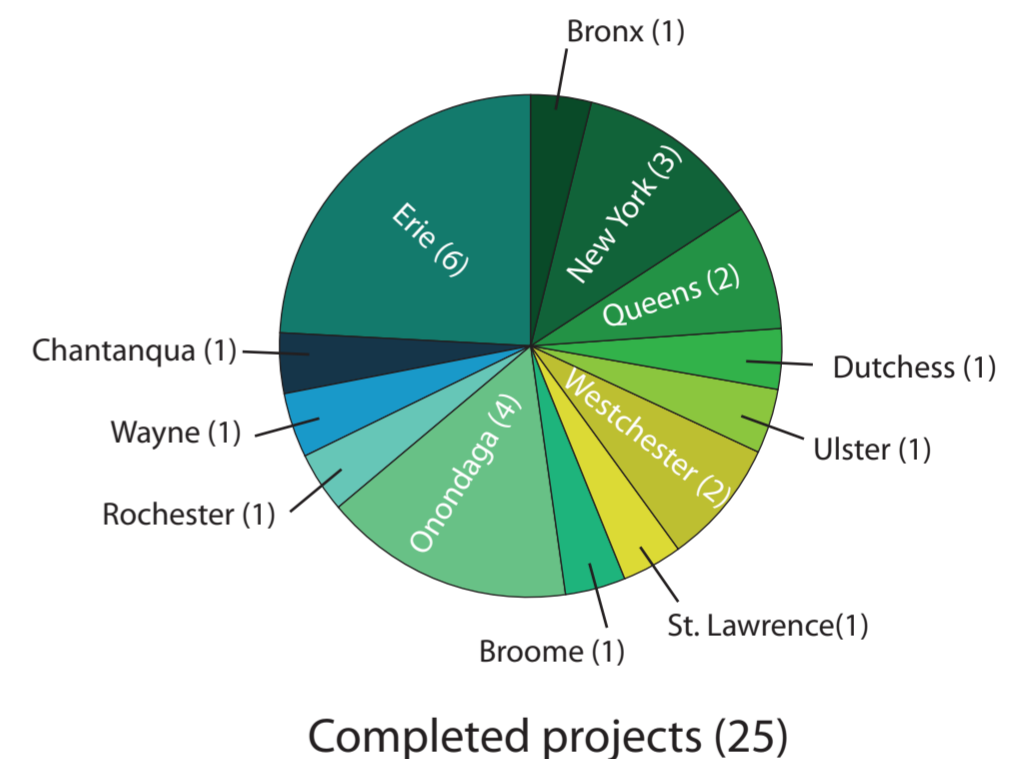
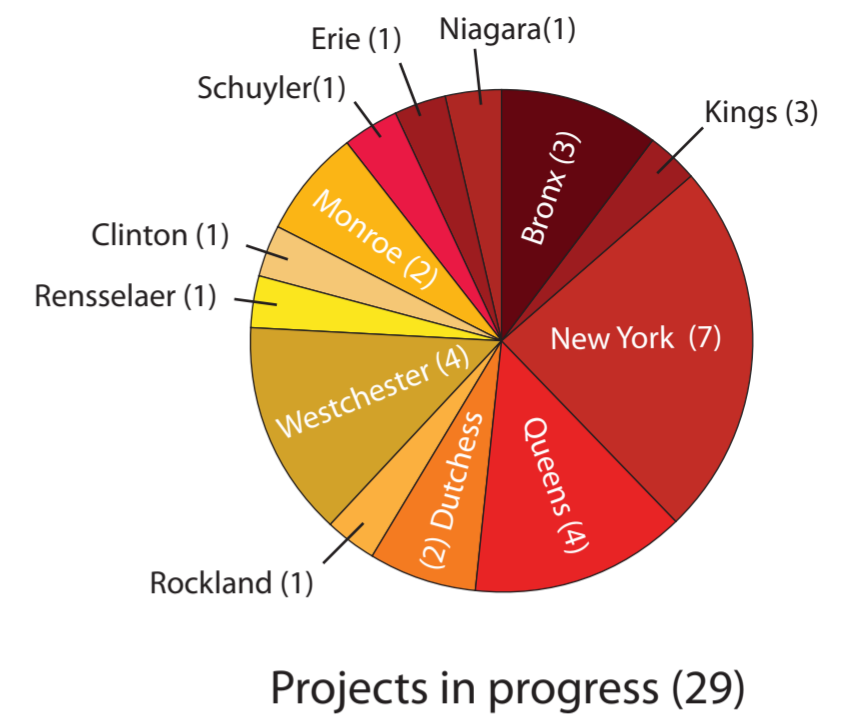


Tax credits awarded to Brownfields in New York State



Completed projects and projects in progress by location



How does a building become a brownfield?

For a building to qualify for the program it must be proven to be contaminated at levels that exceed standards, be idled, abandoned or underutilized and located in an area of economic distress. These are the types of contamination the could make a building eligible for the program.



Asbestos and lead paint can, but do not automatically classify a building as a brownfield because they can easily be removed.

Water contamination could classify a building as a brownfield.

Soil contamination could classify a building as a brownfield.

Were the buildings in poor neighborhoods?

The program is aimed to help investors turn heavily contaminated buildings into affordable housing units in poor neighborhoods. However, the majority of buildings accepted by the program are not located in such neighborhoods. The state defines a neighborhood in economic distress by having a poverty rate of 20 percent and at least 1.25 times the statewide employment rate.

