

New Zealand's third Multilateral Assessment

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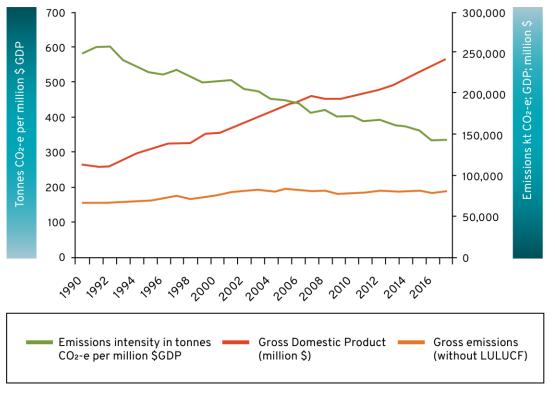
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New Zealand's National Circumstances

- Located in the South Pacific Ocean
- Long, narrow and mountainous country
- Population: 4.8 million
- Open, trade-reliant economy
- GDP: NZ\$230.5 billion
- Māori economy: NZ\$50 billion



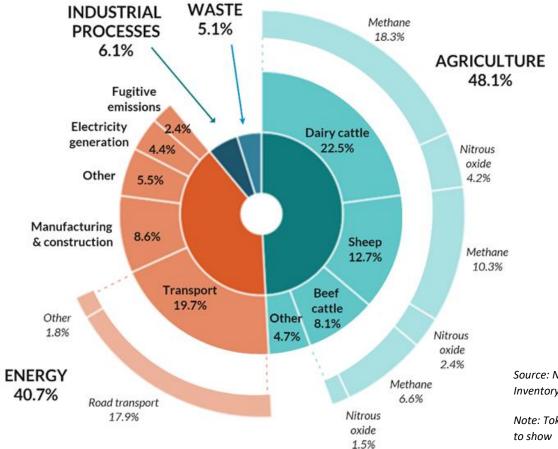
Decoupling Emissions from Economic Growth



 Share of global (gross) emissions: 0.17%

NOTE: CO₂ = carbon dioxide; GDP = gross domestic product; kt = kilotonnes; LULUCF = land-use, land-use change and forestry

Emissions Profile



Source: New Zealand's Greenhouse Gas Inventory 1990-2017, published April 2019

Note: Tokelau's emissions are too small to show

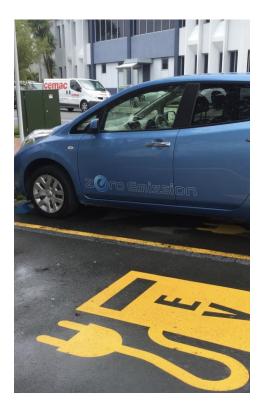
Targets

International

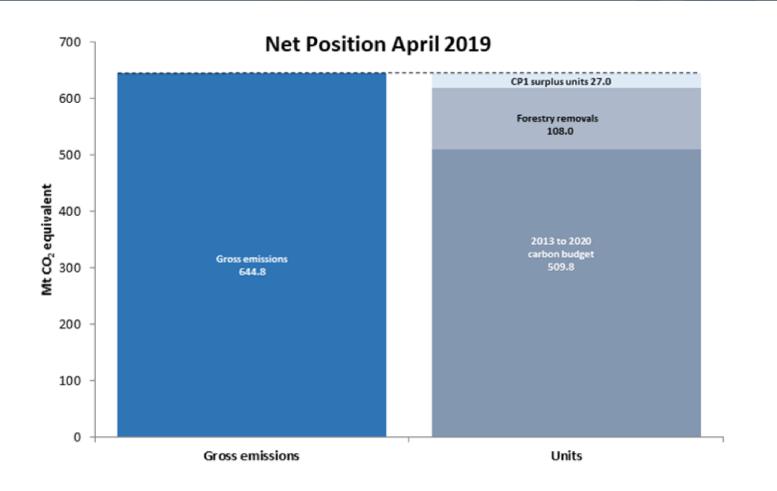
- Met Kyoto Protocol CP1 target:
 - reduce emissions to 1990 levels on average over CP1
- Set to meet 2020 target
 - reduce emissions 5% below 1990 levels
- Nationally Determined Contribution
 - reduce emissions 30% below 2005 levels by 2030

Domestic

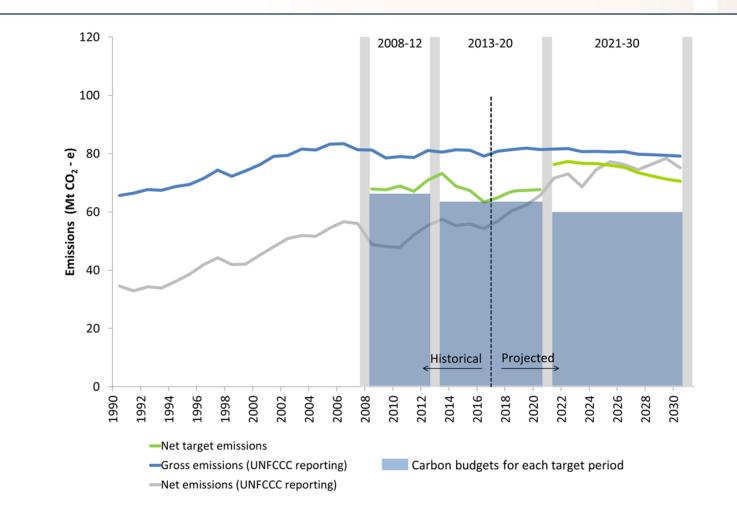
- New target:
 - reduce biogenic methane to 24-47% below 2017 levels by 2050 – including to 10% below 2017 levels by 2030;
 - reduce net emissions of all other GHGs to zero by 2050



2020 Target



2030 NDC Target



Latest Policies and Measures

Mitigation/Long-term Plans	Adaptation	Just Transition	Investment and Finance
Zero Carbon ActImprove the NZ ETSPlant one billion trees by 2028Price agricultural emissions from 2025100% renewable electricity by 2035NZ\$14 billion transport plan for 2027Make electric and cleaner cars more affordableNo new offshore oil and gas exploration permits from 2018Review tax treatment of oil and gas production	 Zero Carbon Act measures: National Climate Change Risk Assessments National Adaptation Plans in response to each risk assessment organisations or Climate Change Commission to provide information on adaptation if requested Central and local government programmes to support community resilience 	Metrics and indictors beyond GDP and income (to measure and manage risk and resilience) Held national Just Transition Summit 2018 New government Just Transitions Unit NZ\$27 million to set up National New Energy Development Centre Energy technology research: NZ\$20 million over 4 years	 Green Investment Finance: NZ\$100 million for low emissions investments Reforming Reserve Bank Act monitor and manage climate risks to financial stability Researching solutions to agricultural emissions: NZ Agricultural GHG Research Centre: NZ\$9.7 million/year Global Research Alliance on Agricultural GHGs: NZ\$73.5 million so far Proposing mandatory climate-related financial disclosures Climate-related support: at least NZ\$300 million over 4 years (2019-2022) Green Climate Fund replenishment: NZ\$15 million



The Zero Carbon Act

- A framework for clear and stable climate change policies into the future:
 - sets an ambitious target for 2050
 - establishes emissions budgets to achieve our 2050 target
 - establishes an independent Climate Change Commission
 - institutes a range of climate change adaptation measures

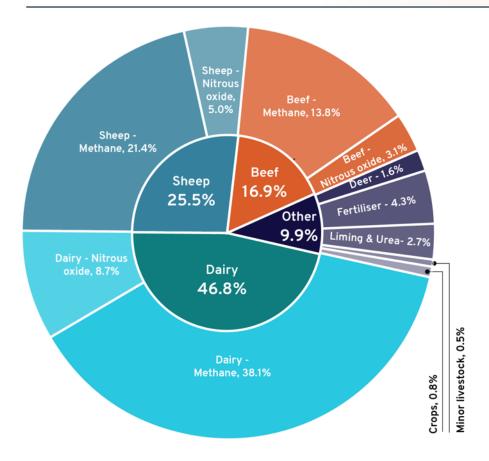


The New Zealand Emissions Trading Scheme

- Our primary tool for emissions reductions
- Started 2008
- Reviewed between 2015-2017
- 2020: align the purpose of the NZ ETS with the Zero Carbon Act and Paris Agreement
- Current price: NZ\$24.5



Agriculture



- Significant for New Zealand's export-dependent economy
- World's largest single-country exporter of dairy products and sheep meat
- Pricing mechanism for agricultural emissions from 2025
 - and a Joint Action Plan in the interim

Energy

- 82% of electricity from renewable sources in 2017
 - Goal: 100% renewable electricity by 2035
- Significant potential to reduce transport emissions
 - Consideration of a Clean Car Discount and Clean Car Standard
 - NZ\$14 billion transport plan for 2027



Forestry

- Forests offset nearly 30% of gross emissions in 2017
- Third biggest export earner
- Significant Māori forestry interests
- Forestry included in the NZ ETS
- Target one billion trees planted by 2028
 - 150 million planted to date





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