



DECARBONISATION
FUTURES



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Solutions, actions and benchmarks for a net zero emissions Australia

Overview of report findings



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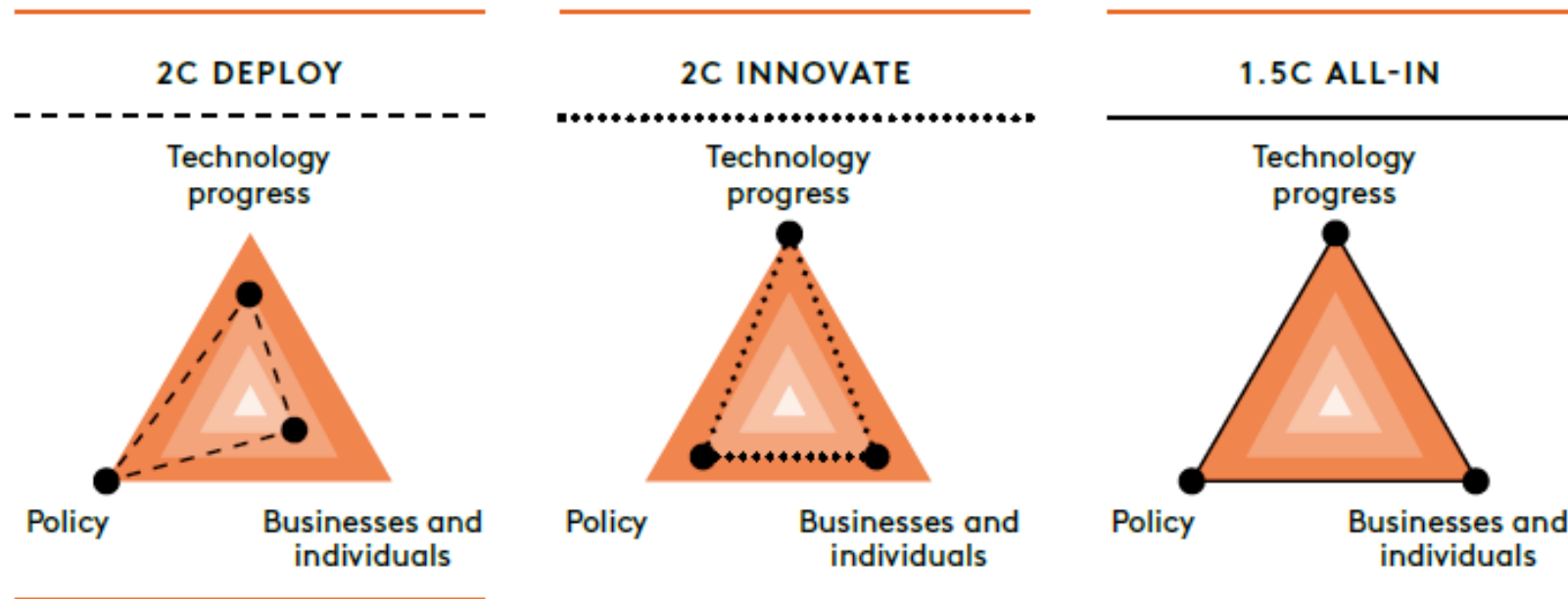
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KEY FINDINGS

Decarbonisation Futures shows how the gap between Australia's climate commitment and implementation can be bridged

- + Reviews technologies available to reduce emissions, their progress and maturity
- + Provides benchmarks for the scale of uptake of the technologies to align with the Paris goals
- + Identifies actions that government, businesses and individuals can take to support them
- + Via modelling three scenarios to illustrate possible pathways, with differing mix of levers



Net zero emissions by 2050 or earlier is fast becoming the norm in support of the Paris climate goals to limit global temperature rise to well below 2 degrees

All 8 Australian states and territories have net zero targets in place

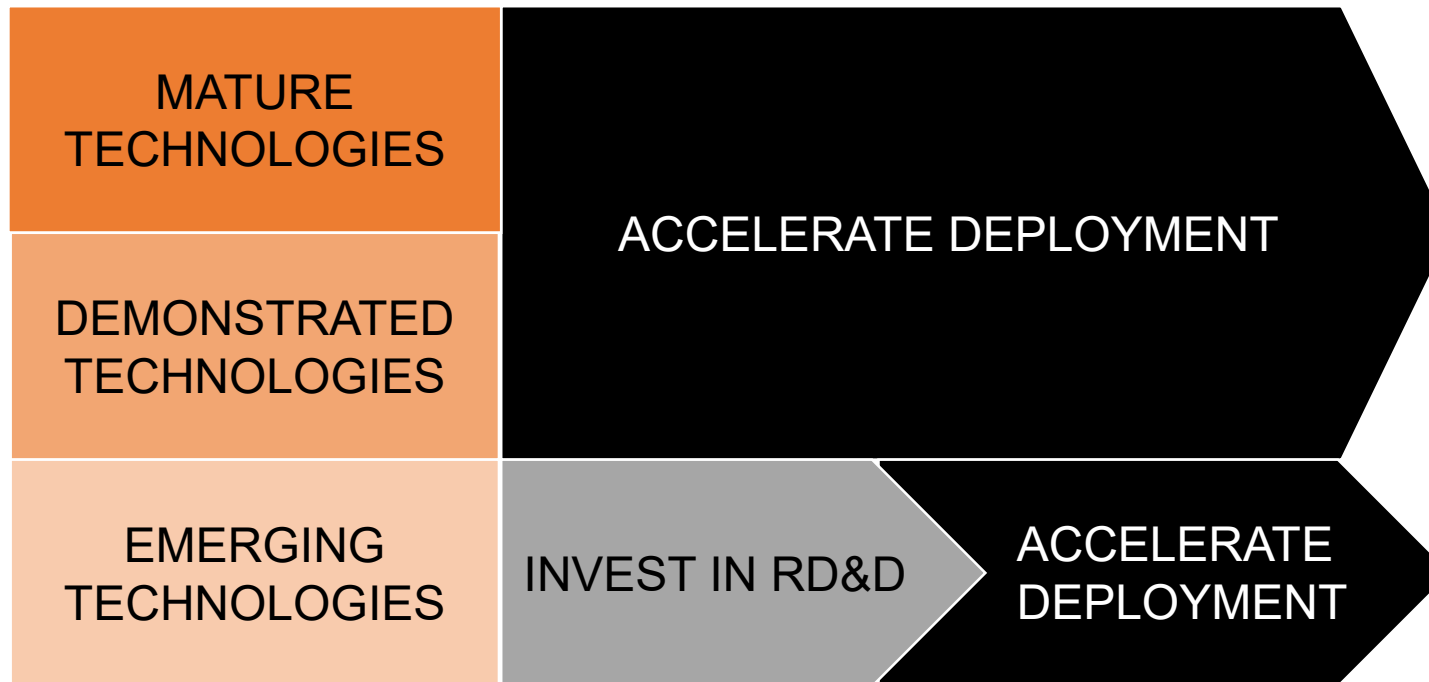


* Aspiration

- + 121 countries, covering 25% global emissions
- + Asset owners alliance worth US\$4 trillion
- + Some of Australia's largest companies



To get there, Decarbonisation Futures shows Australia must immediately accelerate deployment of mature solutions, and invest in the rapid development and commercialisation of emerging solutions in harder-to-abate sectors








Critically, these actions can support efforts to rebuild from the shock of the Covid-19 pandemic.

- + Accelerate deployment of ready solutions
- + Create jobs in sustainable industries
- + Increase Australia's resilience
- + Set up for future economic growth
- + Decrease energy costs
- + Improve health outcomes

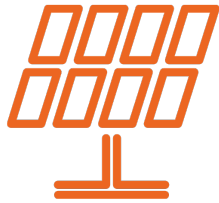
Example of readily deployable solutions include:

- + Upgrades to existing residential and commercial buildings (energy efficiency, electrification, solar PV)
- + Accelerated deployment of large scale renewables and storage
- + Construction of charging stations to support electric vehicles roll-out
- + Nature based solutions including carbon forestry (silvopasture and dedicated)
- + Circular economy – increased recycling and localised supply chains

Progress in the past five years has closed the technical gap making achieving zero emissions possible in all sectors

		DEMONSTRATED + MATURE SOLUTIONS	EMERGING SOLUTIONS
	ELECTRICITY	100% renewables, storage (including batteries), demand management	<i>There are sufficient demonstrated and mature solutions to decarbonise these sectors. However, emerging solutions could decrease costs and aid deployment at scale.</i>
	BUILDINGS	Deep energy efficiency, electrification	
	TRANSPORT	Electric and fuel-cell vehicles for light road transport	Biofuels, synfuels, electrification, ammonia or hydrogen for other transport
	INDUSTRY	Energy efficiency, circular economy, proven electrification, bioenergy and bio-feedstocks, industrial CCS	Material substitution, high grade heat electrification, solar thermal, hydrogen
	AGRICULTURE + LAND	Sustainable agriculture practices, plant-based substitutes, fertiliser management, carbon forestry	Lab food, enteric fermentation treatments (such as livestock vaccines)

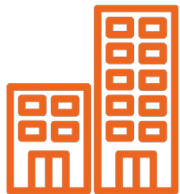
We have found that technology has achieved significant progress since 2014, often faster than was expected then



New renewables now **cheaper** than new fossil fuel generation



Battery costs per kilowatt-hour **80% cheaper** than in 2010



10-storey office tower built in timber in Brisbane



3 million EVs driven in the world



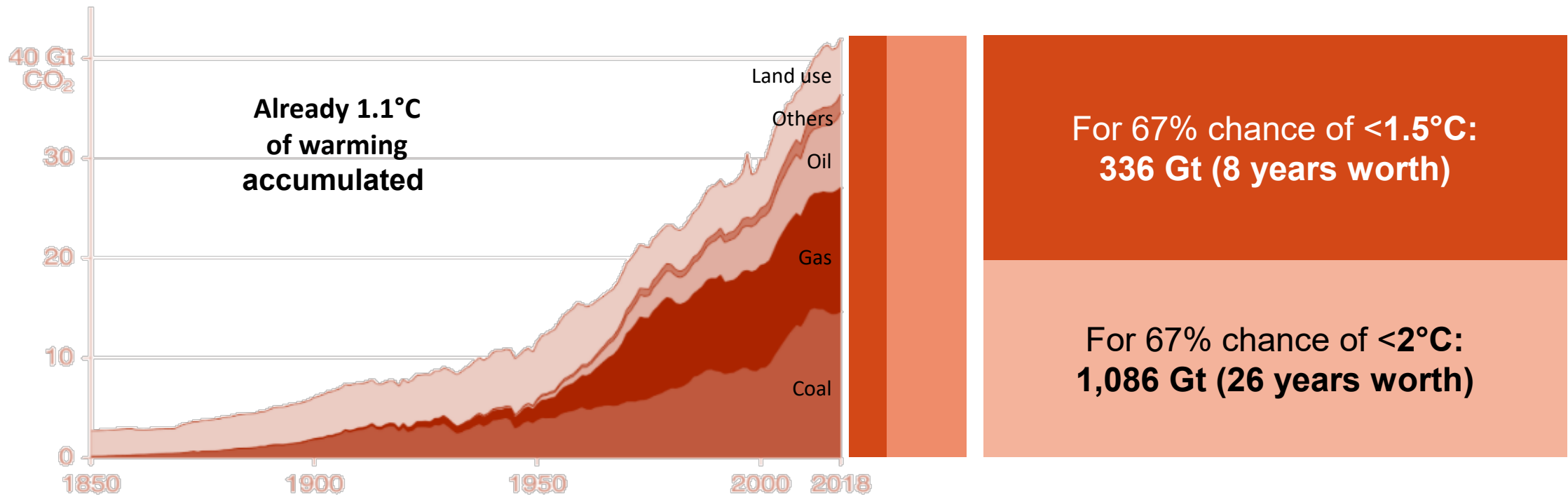
The **share price** of Beyond Meat grew more than 700% in the 3 months following its release



1- and 2-person **electric planes** are beginning to enter the market

Australia and the world have limited time to stay within the Paris Climate Agreement goals, but we are now well placed to leapfrog to zero emissions technologies in all sectors

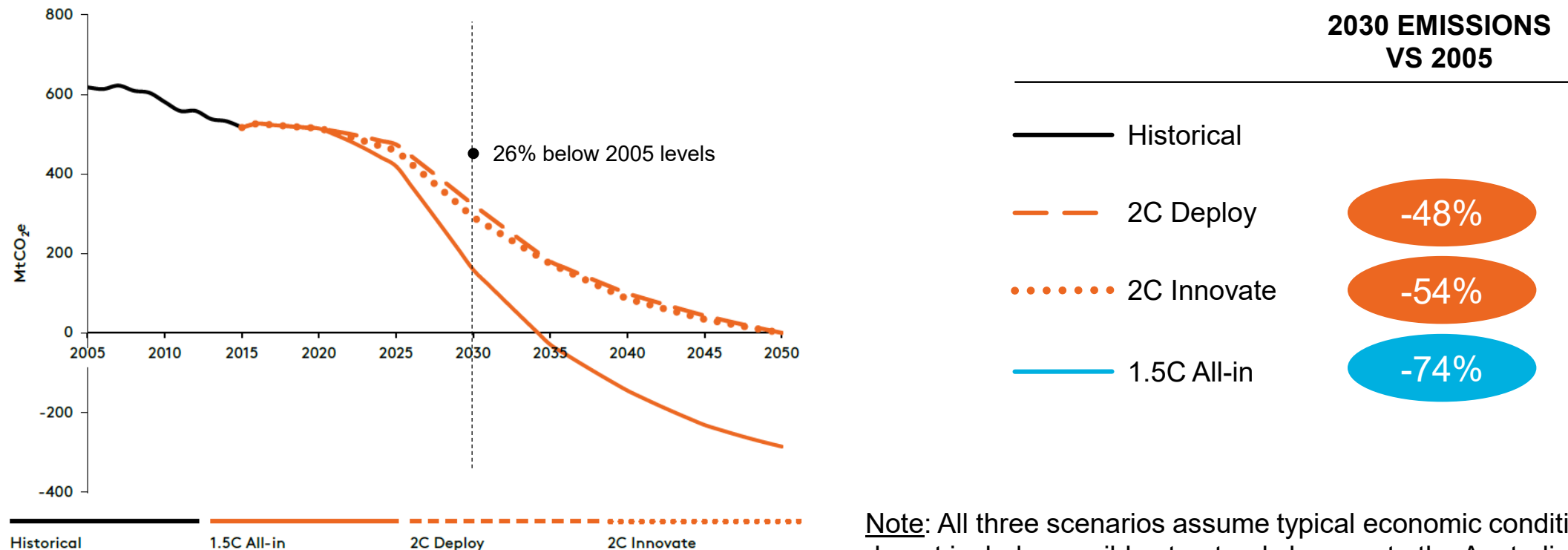
Global total CO₂ emissions and remaining carbon budget at 01/01/2020



SOURCE: IPCC, Global Warming of 1.5°C; Global Carbon Project (http://folk.uio.no/roberan/img/GCB2019/PNG/s85_2019_Total_Emissions_by_source.png)

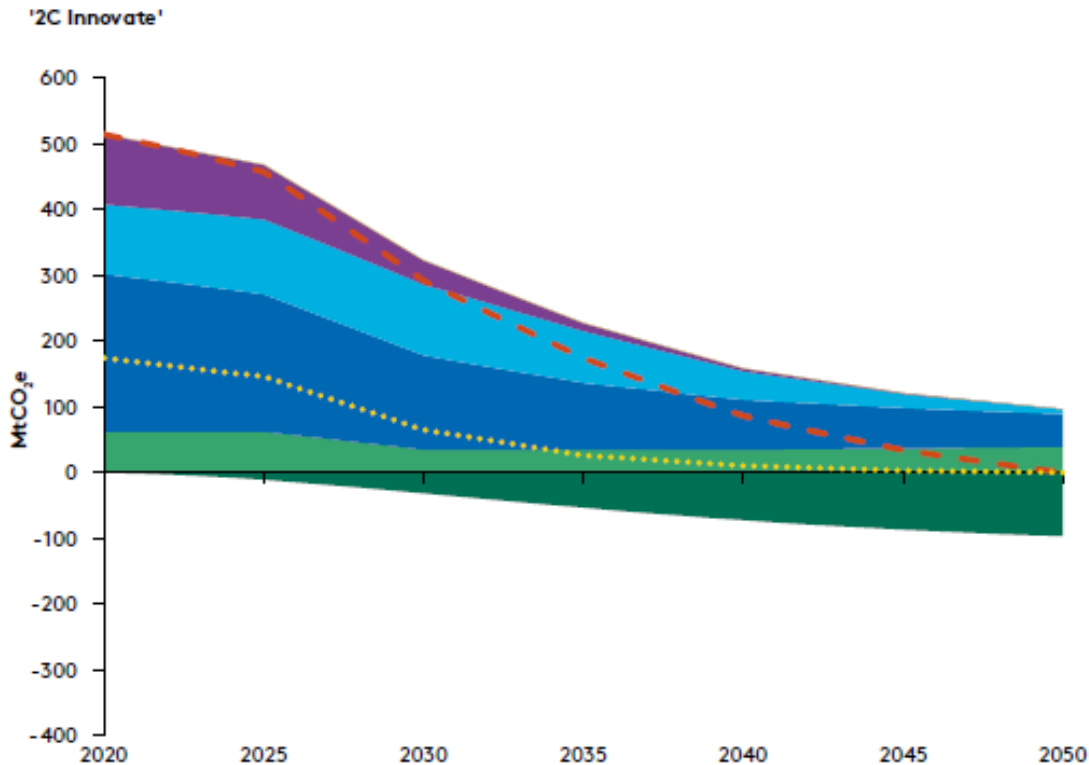
Our scenario analysis shows that increased support to technology deployment and development can support a trajectory compatible with the global 2°C climate goal

Australia's total emissions by scenario, MtCO₂e



All sectors can achieve very significant emissions reduction; the pace of reduction is aligned with technology maturity

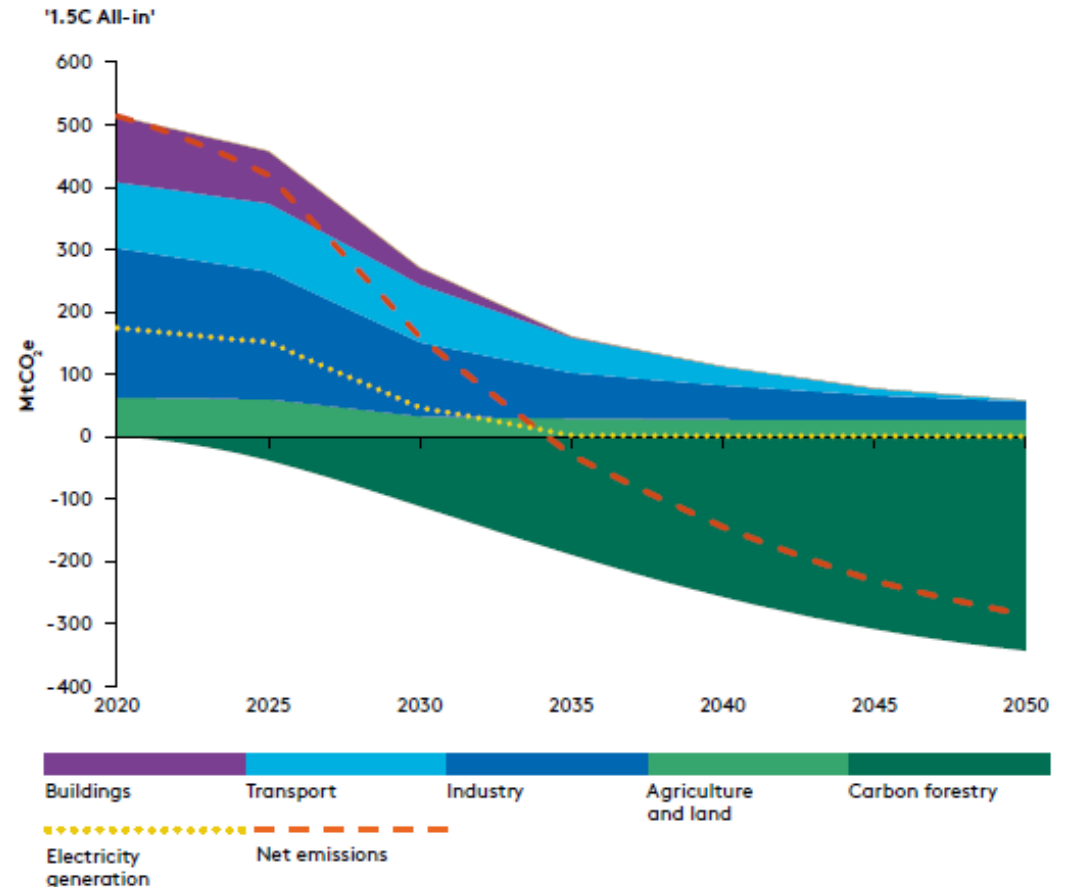
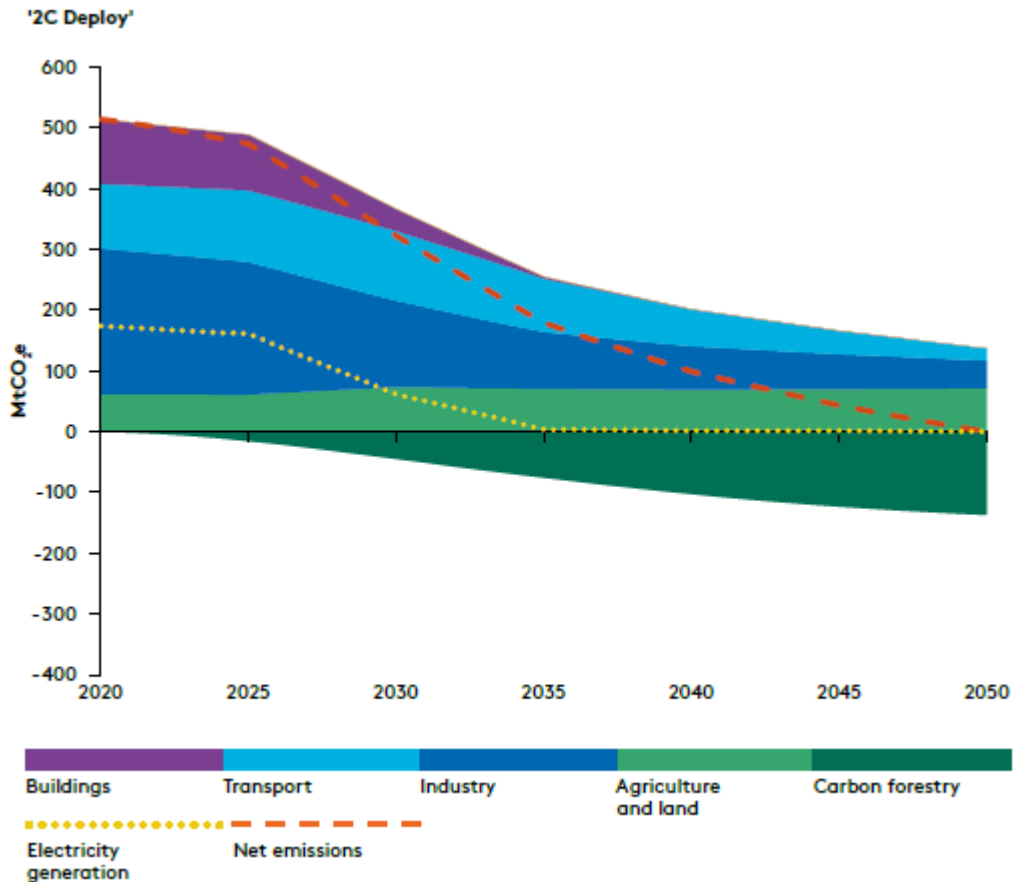
Sector emissions, MtCO₂e, '2C Innovate Scenario'



EMISSIONS REDUCTIONS

	2030 vs 2005	2050 vs 2005
Electricity	-65%	-100%
Buildings	-67%	-100%
Transport	+1%	-93%
Industry	-41%	-79%
Land	-44%	-37%
Carbon forestry		
Net emissions		

Across all scenarios, residual emissions in 2050 are 2-4 times lower than in our 2014 decarbonisation pathways



Some key similarities and differences exist between scenarios

Similarities

- + Electricity moves to 100% renewables by 2050 and helps decarbonise other sectors
- + Much lower residual emissions than for 2014 scenario
- + Electricity, buildings and transport get to zero or near zero emissions
- + Industry and Agriculture have significant residual emissions

Differences

- + Net zero achieved by 2035 for '1.5C All-in'
- + Amount of residual emissions in 2050 (lowest for '1.5C All-in')
- + Level of carbon forestry (balancing residual emissions, dependent on carbon budget)
- + Rate of retirement of coal-powered electricity generation, slowest in '2C Innovate'
- + Uptake in industrial CCS, dependent on policy
- + Agriculture emissions reductions, dependent on success of enteric fermentation treatments
- + Shift to lower emissions construction materials (highest in '1.5C All-in')

Widespread, rapid deployment of mature technologies can achieve much of what is needed this decade and can accelerate immediately

2030 scenario results



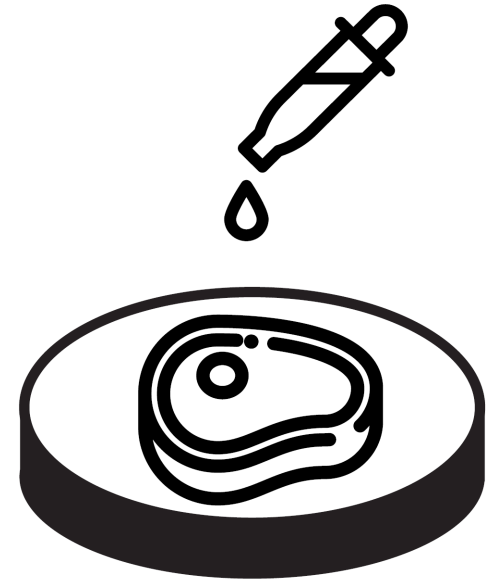
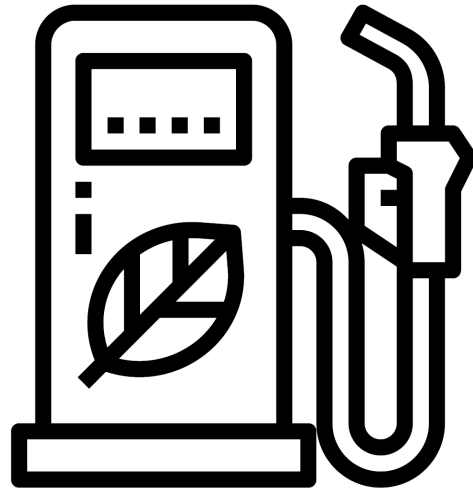
EVs in new car sales



% renewables in electricity generation

	2°C	1.5°C	Government projections
EVs in new car sales	1 in 2	~3 in 4	~1 in 5
% renewables in electricity generation	70-74%	79%	~48%

While substantial investment in research, development and commercialisation can close the gap to zero emissions across sectors.

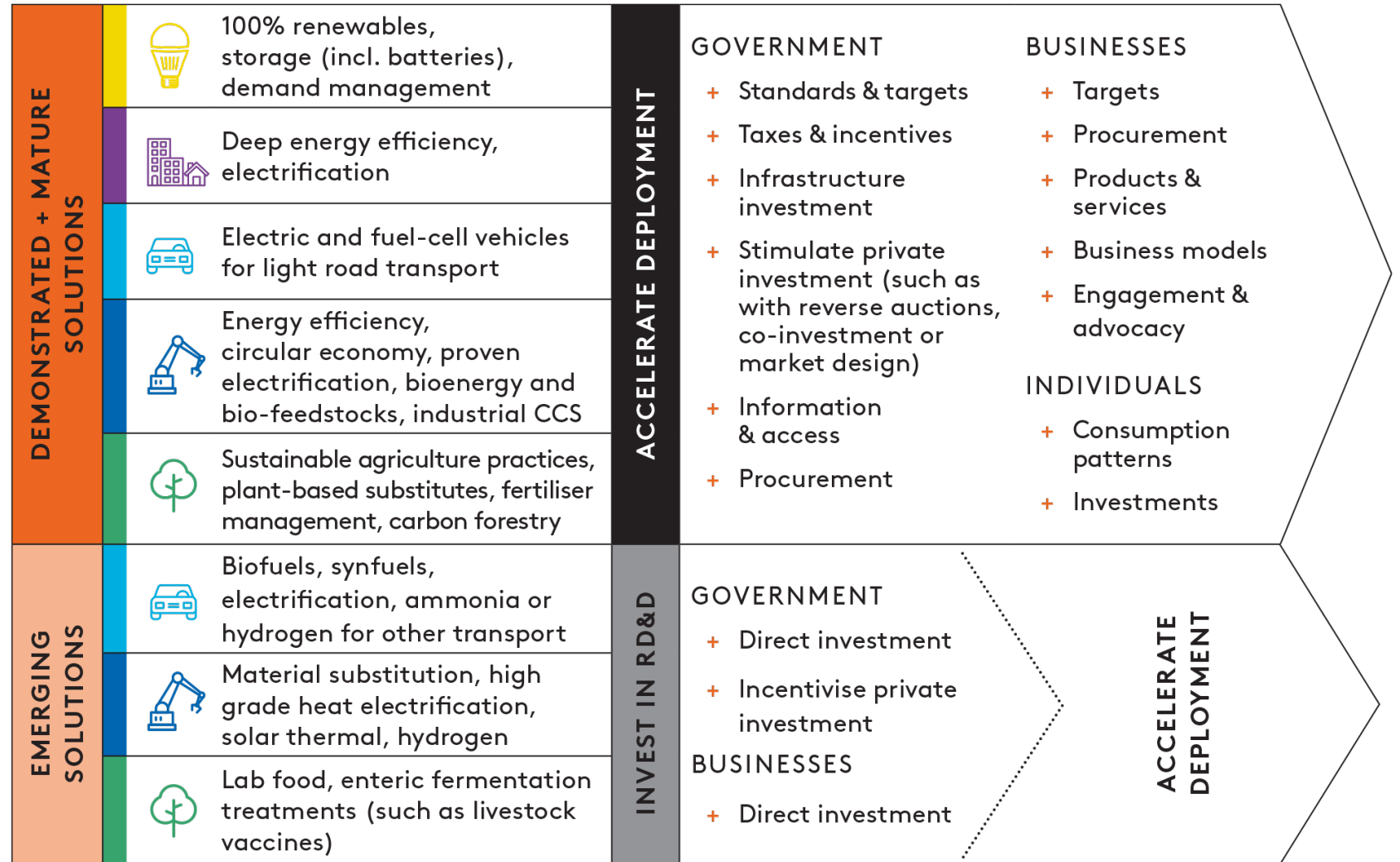


The transition will not happen in time without strong action by government, business and individuals to support technology development, demonstration and deployment

SOLUTION STATUS	ACTIONS		
	GOVERNMENT	BUSINESSES	INDIVIDUALS
MATURE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Standards and targets Taxes Financial support and/or market structure amendments Supporting infrastructure Information and accessibility 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Targets on scope 1-3 Forward asset replacement Shift products and services New business models Policy advocacy Investors engagement 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Shift in consumption Shift in behaviour Home upgrades Shift in investments Advocacy
DEMONSTRATION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Incentives Procurement Supporting infrastructure Stimulate private investment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pay price premium Targeted procurement Accept higher risk 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pay price premium Community investment
EMERGING	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Investment in RD&D Incentives for private investment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Investment in RD&D Consortium for risk sharing 	

This is the transformational decade

Research shows that the years before 2030 offer a window for action that will not stay open.



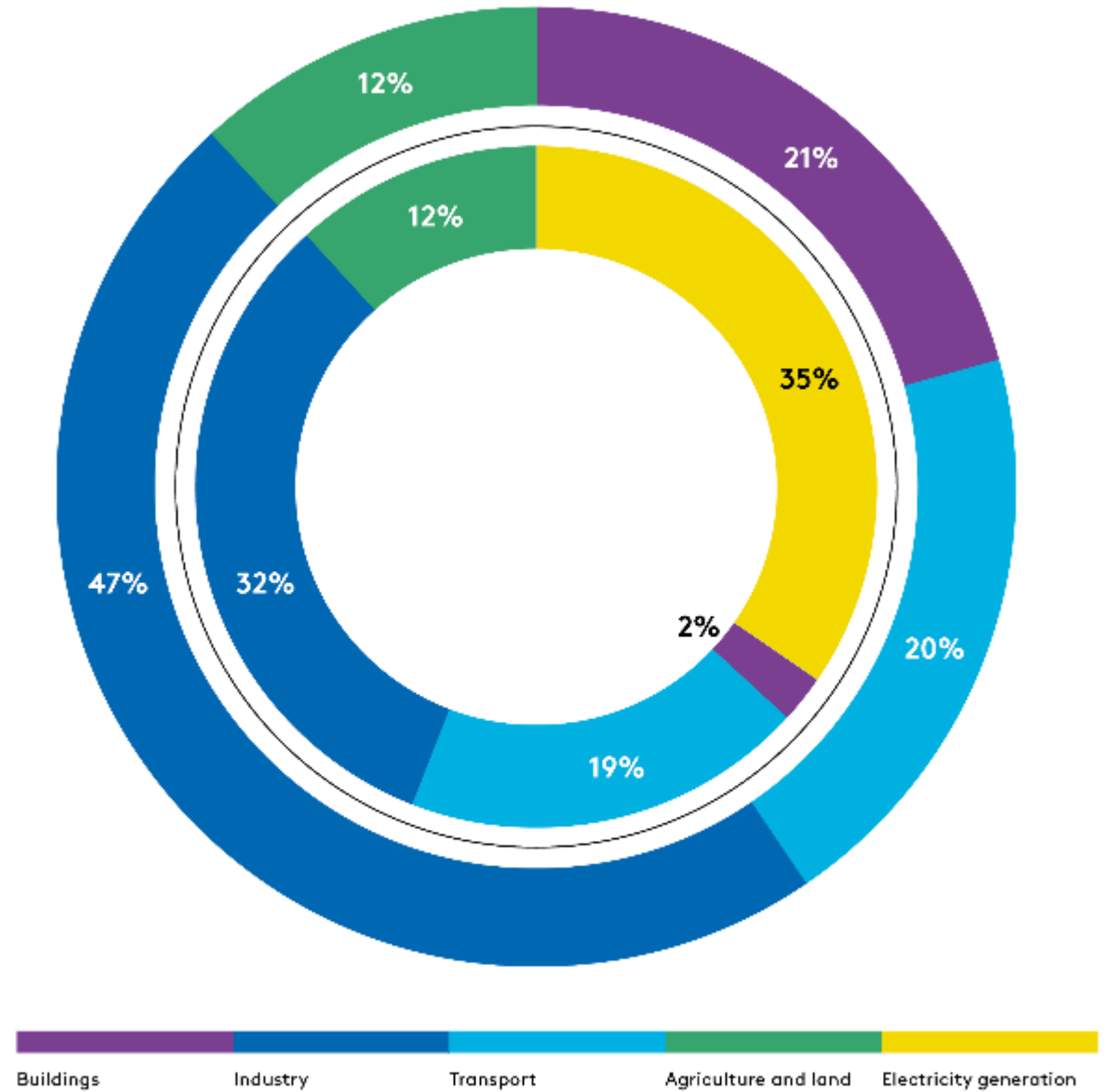


SECTORAL FINDINGS

Australia's emissions are produced primarily by the electricity generation, industry and transport sectors

Australia's overall emissions by sector (2018).

Inside circle: excluding end use electricity, outside circle: including end use electricity

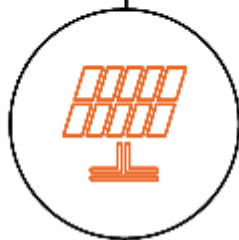


The achievement of net zero emissions relies on a shift from fossil fuel based energy to renewable energy across all sectors of the economy

THE FOUR PILLARS OF DECARBONISATION



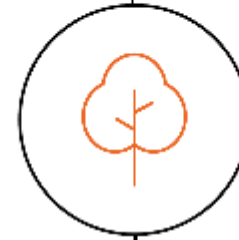
Energy waste reduction, including through energy productivity and a shift away from energy-intensive products and services



100% renewable electricity

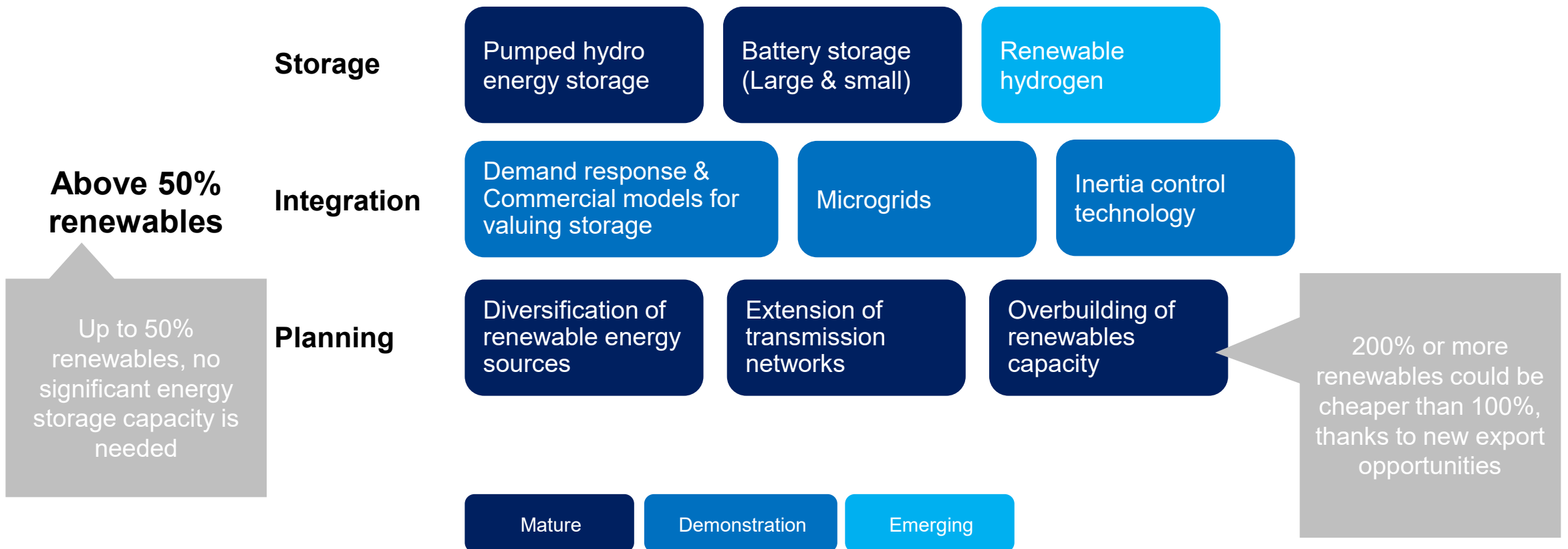


Electrification and a shift away from fossil fuels to zero – or near – zero emissions alternatives



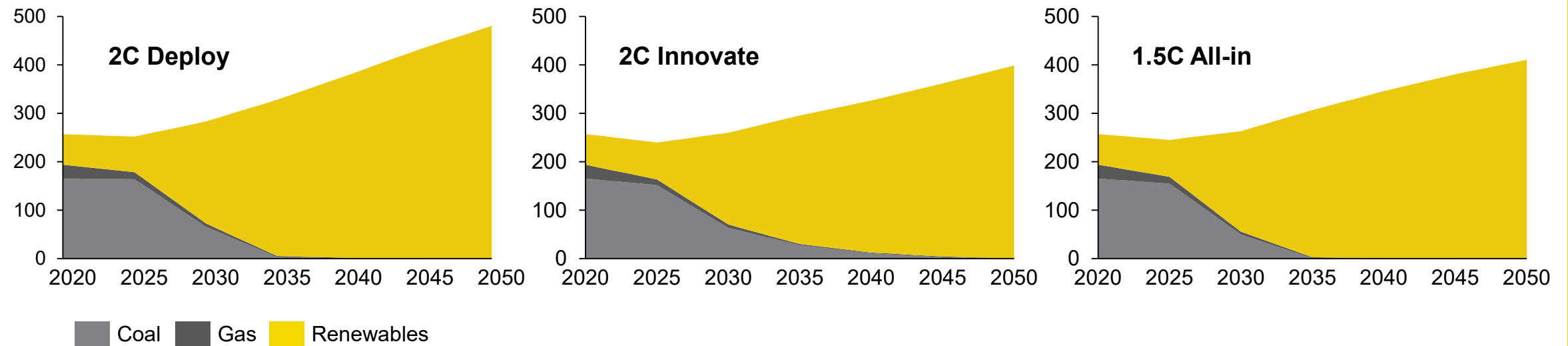
Non-energy emissions reductions and offsetting of residual emissions

Electricity: Technologies already exist which can support moving to 100% renewables



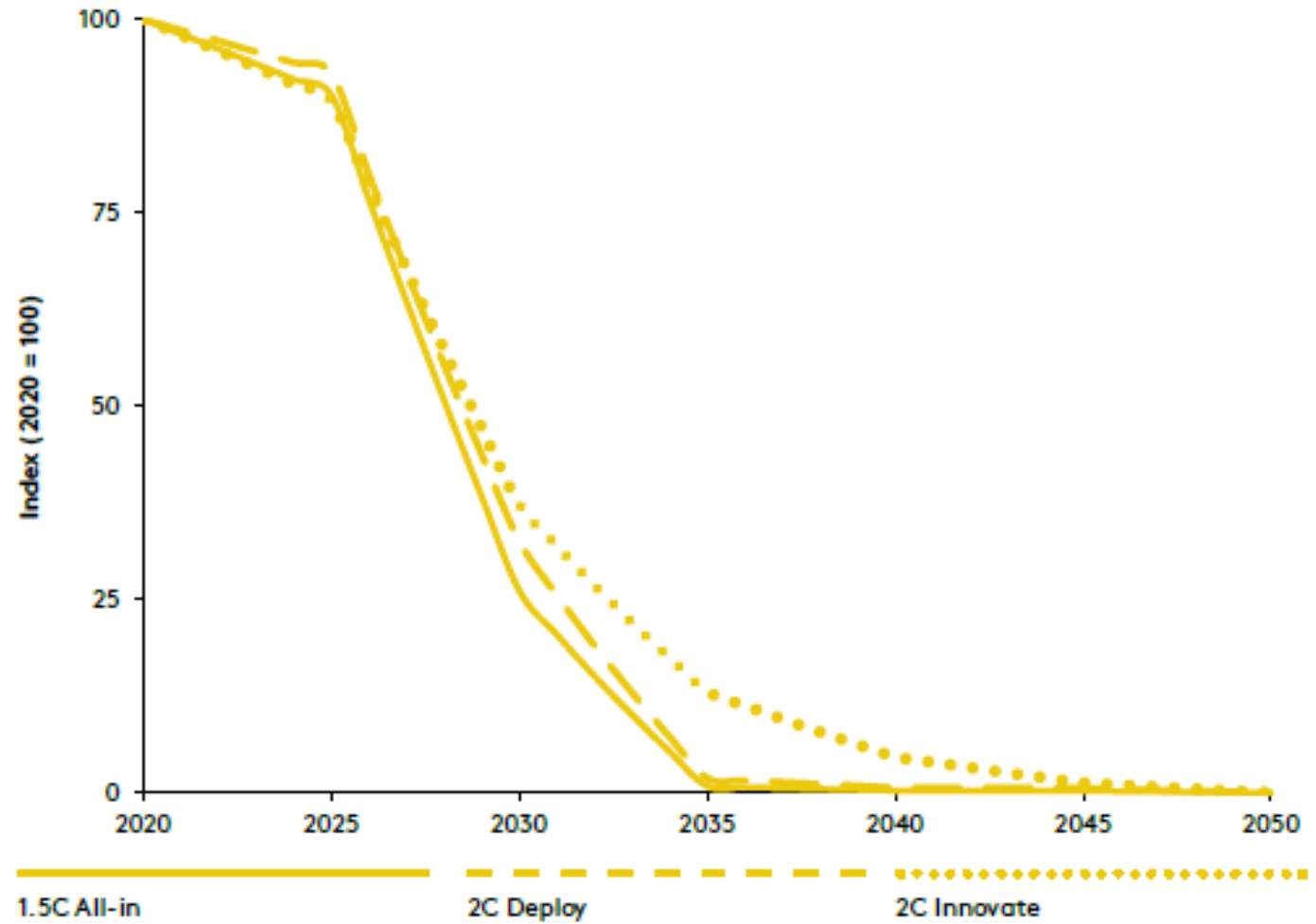
Electricity: All scenarios reach about 75% renewable electricity generation by 2030, and 100% by 2050. The key factor influencing the speed of the transition to renewable electricity is the rate at which coal generation (and then gas) exits the system.

Electricity generation by fuel type, TWh



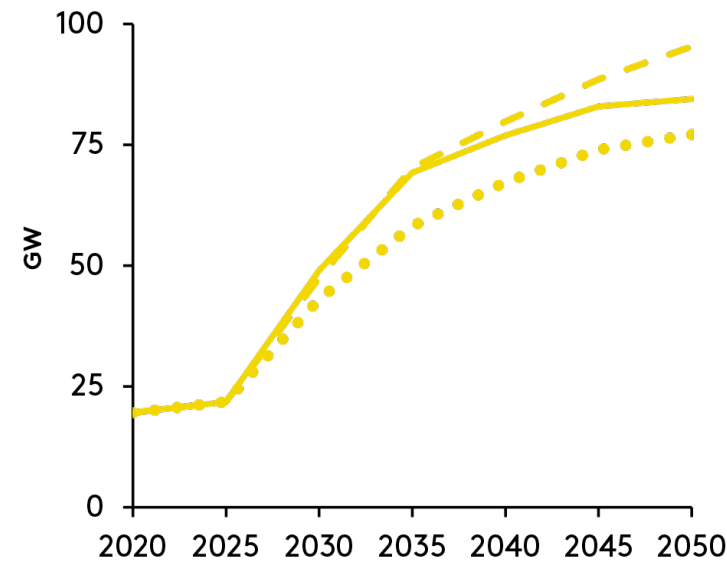
Electricity: In the two scenarios with strong policy action, electricity reaches near zero emissions by 2035

Electricity emissions intensity in the modelled scenarios (2020-2050)



Electricity: Strong increases in storage capacity (battery, solar thermal and hydro) support the high volumes of renewables

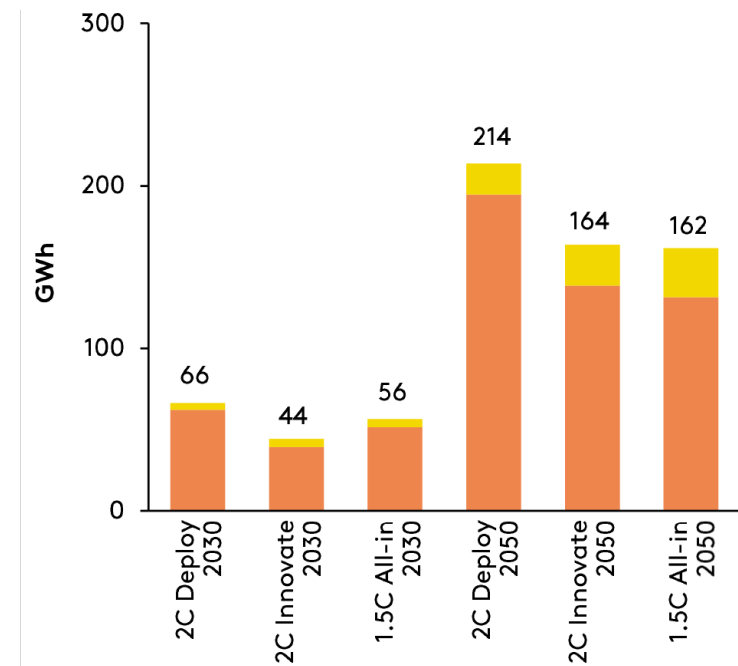
Cumulative renewable electricity build, 2020-2050 (left), Storage capacity by type (right) in the modelled scenarios, 2030 & 2050



1.5C All-in

2C Deploy

2C Innovate



Battery storage

Solar thermal storage

Electricity: CSIRO models the both the east- and west-coast electricity grids at a high degree of granularity

- + Includes: NEM (16 transmission zones), NWIS, SWIS, DKIS
- + For each zone: existing generation capacity, maximum renewable resources and renewable generation profile, access to CCS sites (when available)
- + Unit-level data for existing thermal and hydro generation fleet
- + Supply aggregated to meet a pool of demand for each state
- + NEM trade through 6 interconnectors links between: NSW & QLD; NSW & VIC; VIC & SA; VIC & TAS
- + 16 time slices per year: seasonal, time of day

Many recent analyses have found that Australia's electricity system can be supported by 100%+ renewables

The Energy Transition Hub recently published a comprehensive analysis of possible futures for Australia's electricity system. They used 4 numerical energy-economic models from 5 partner institutes. They modelled 6 scenarios. They did an analysis of each hour of the Australian power system in 2050 for 2 scenarios.

They found that:

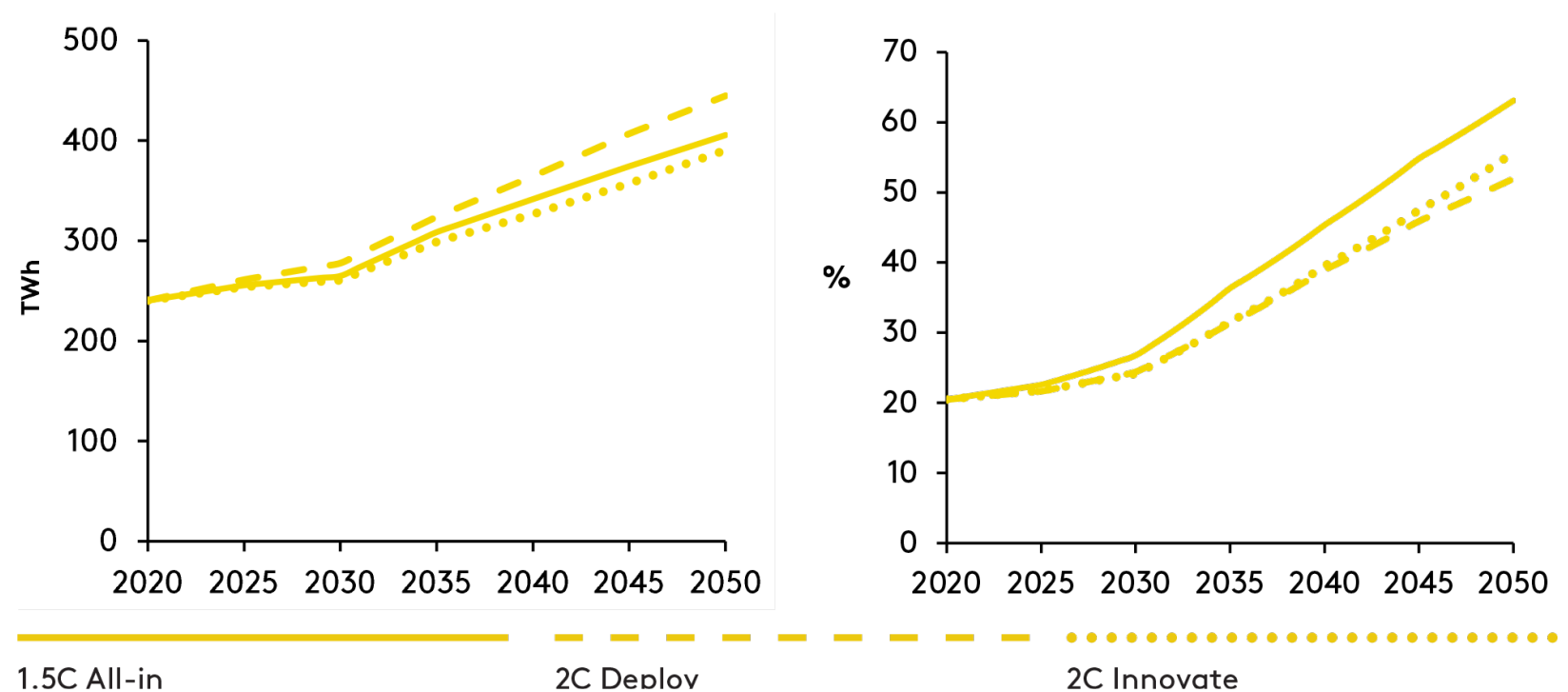
- + Costs in a renewable-based system are similar or lower than today.
- + Multiple options secure reliable supply from 100 percent renewables.
- + Going beyond 200 percent renewables by producing more hydrogen further decreases the average system cost element

Recent work:

- + Energy Transition Hub , Australia's power advantage - Energy transition and hydrogen export scenarios' https://www.energy-transition-hub.org/files/resource/attachment/australia_power_advantage_0.pdf
- + Pumped hydro storage and 100% renewable electricity. Andrew Blakers, Bin Lu, Matt Stocks Australian National University https://arena.gov.au/assets/2017/08/AndrewBlakers_Presentation.pdf
- + Electricity Network Transformation Roadmap, CSIRO and ENA <https://www.energynetworks.com.au/projects/electricity-network-transformation-roadmap/>

Electricity: Increased reliance on electricity across other sectors forms a major component of Australia's transition towards net zero emissions

Overall electricity demand (left) and as a proportion of final energy use (right) in the modelled scenarios (2020-2050)



Benchmarks of progress towards net zero emissions by 2050

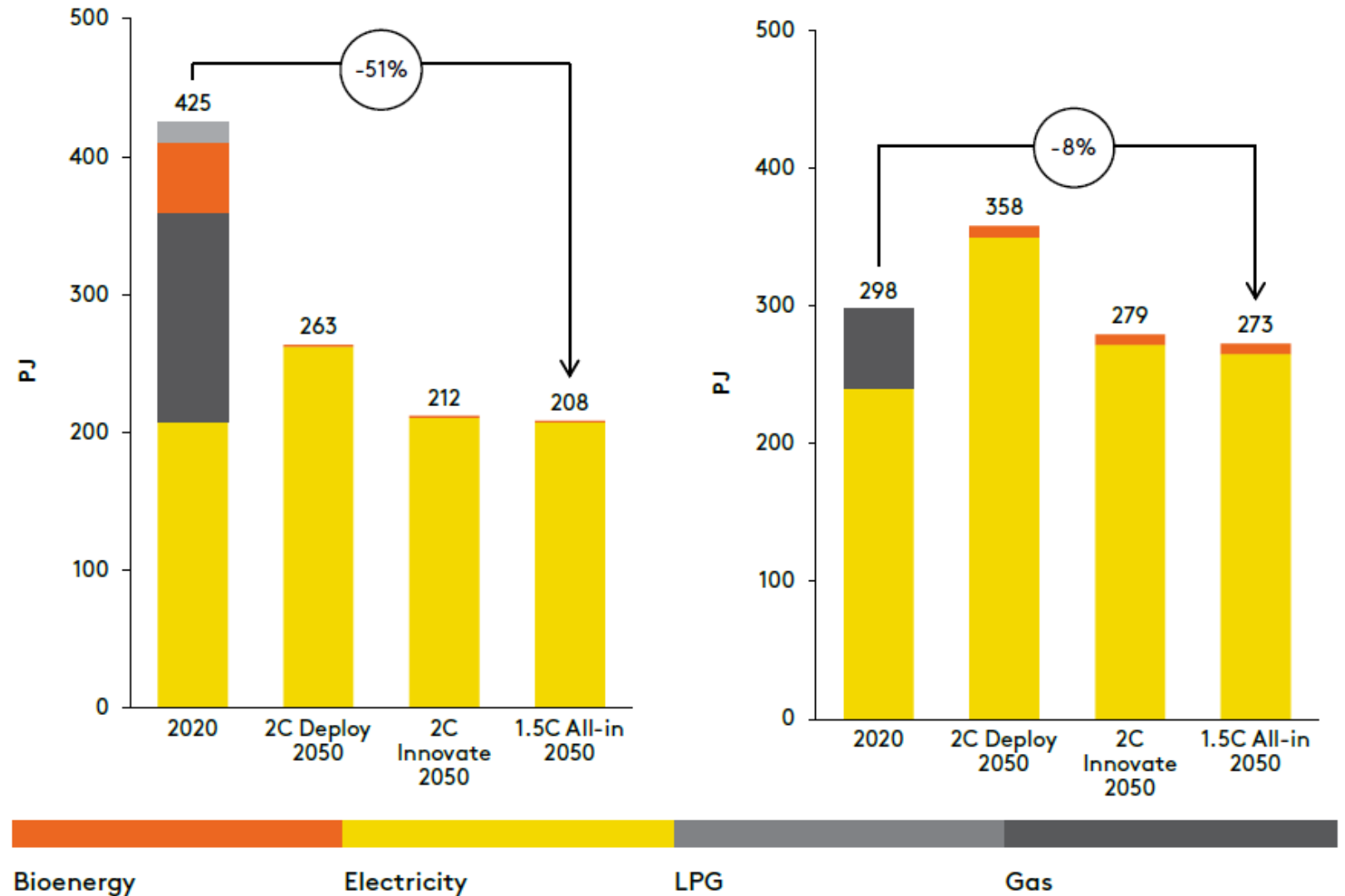
BENCHMARK	2C PATHWAYS		1.5C PATHWAY	
	2030	CHANGE versus 2020	2030	CHANGE versus 2020
TECHNOLOGY BENCHMARKS				
Share of renewable electricity generation	70-74%	2020 = 25%	79%	2020 = 25%
Additional renewable capacity between 2020 and 2030		24-28 GW added		29 GW added
Additional storage capacity between 2020 and 2030		44-66 GWh added		56 GWh added
ENERGY BENCHMARKS				
Share of electricity in total energy	24%	2020 = 20%	27%	2020 = 20%
EMISSIONS BENCHMARKS				
Annual emissions	62-65 MtCO ₂ e	63-64% decrease	46 MtCO ₂ e	73% decrease
Emissions intensity	220-252 tCO ₂ e/ GWh	63-67% decrease	177 tCO ₂ e/GWh	74% decrease

Buildings: The technology required for a zero-emissions building sector – deep energy efficiency and electrification powered by renewables – is already available to be deployed



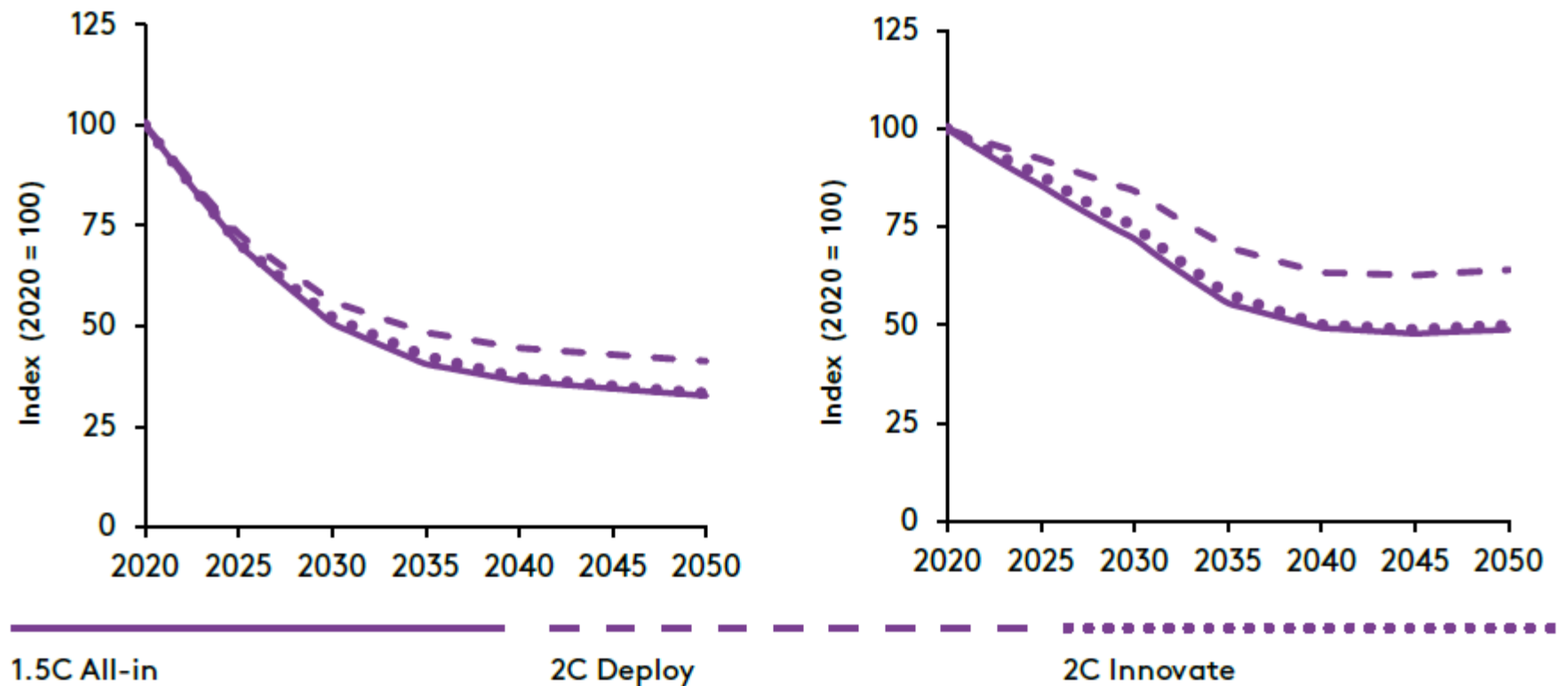
Buildings: Zero-emissions buildings combine energy efficiency with electrification

Residential (left) and commercial (right) buildings energy use in the modelled scenarios, by fuel type (2020-2050)



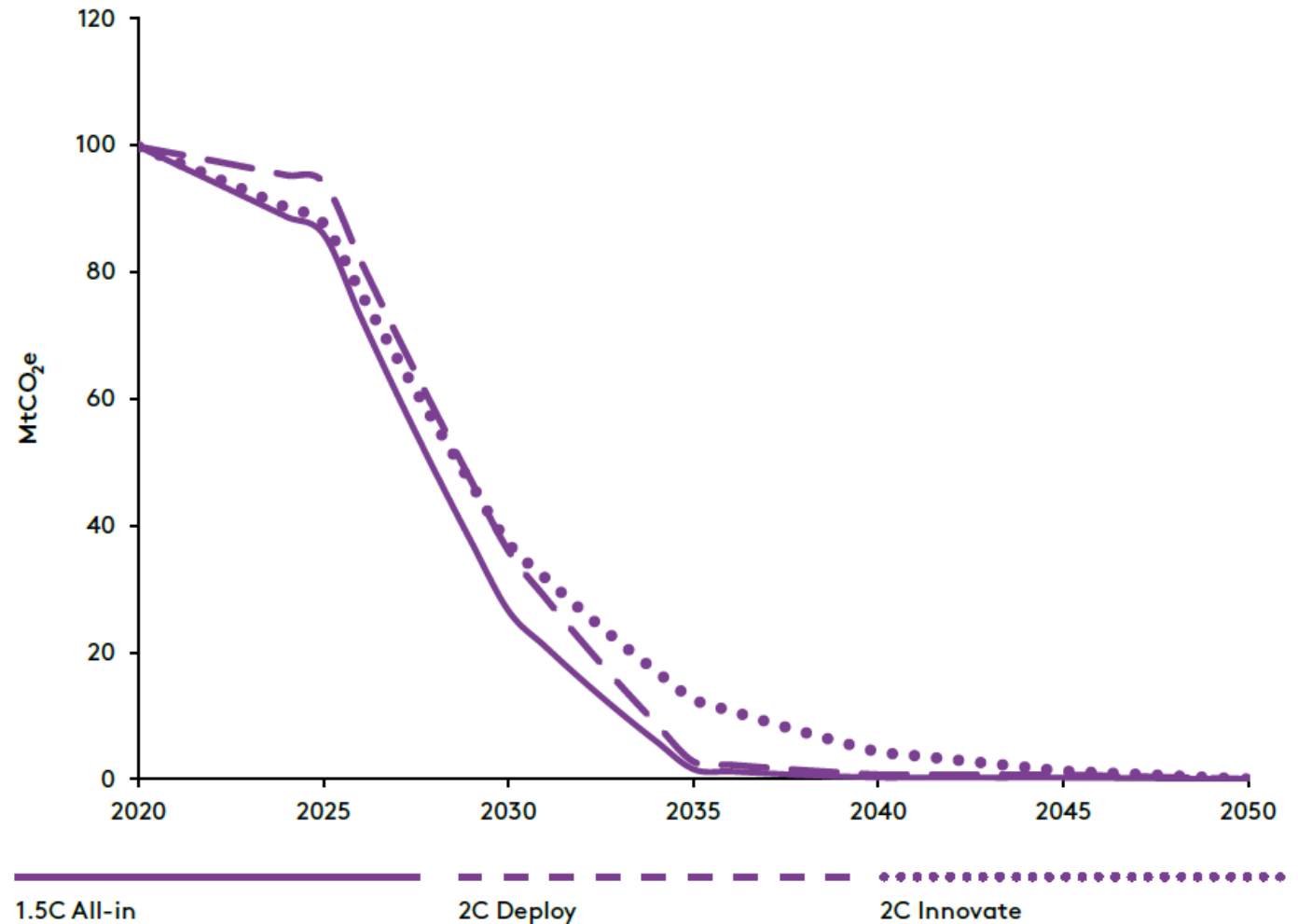
Buildings: Energy efficiency improvements and electrification drive lower energy intensity in all scenarios

Residential (left) and commercial (right) buildings energy intensity in the modelled scenarios (2020-2050)



**Buildings:
The emissions
trajectory of the
building sector is
strongly linked to
the transition to
renewable
electricity
generation**

Overall buildings emissions in the modelled scenarios (2020-2050)

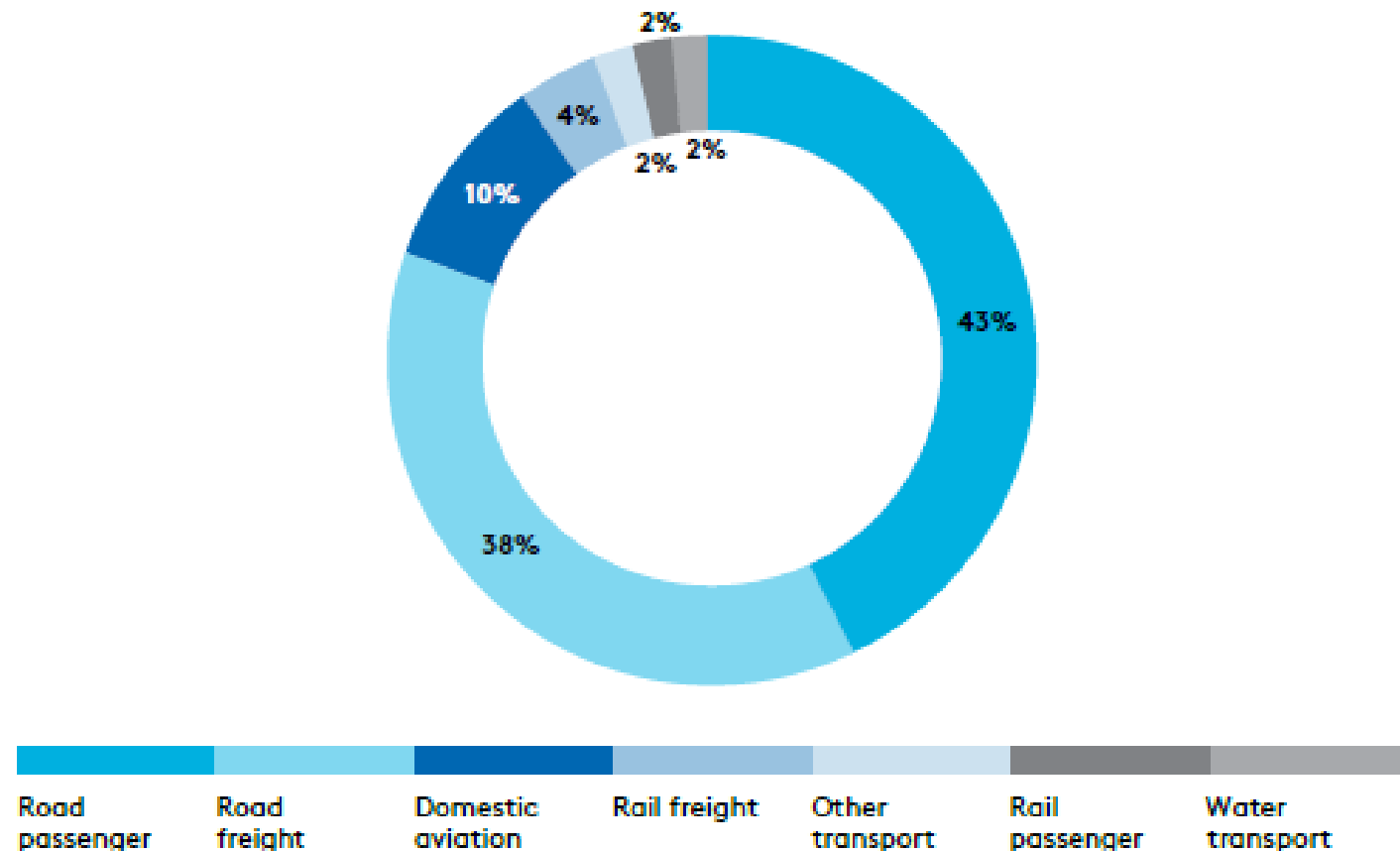


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TECHNOLOGY BENCHMARKS				
Rooftop solar electricity generation	22-26 TWh	85-116% increase	26 TWh	116% increase
ENERGY BENCHMARKS				
Residential building energy intensity		44-48% decrease (improvement)		49% decrease (improvement)
Commercial building energy intensity		16-25% decrease (improvement)		28% decrease (improvement)
Share of electricity in residential buildings	76-78%	2020 = 49%	75% ¹	2020 = 49%
EMISSIONS BENCHMARKS				
Annual emissions	36-37 MtCO ₂ e	63-64% decrease	27 MtCO ₂ e	73% decrease

Transport: The majority of Australia's transport emissions come from road transport

Australia's transport emissions shares by subsector (2018)



Transport: Short-term efforts can focus on improving travel and energy efficiency, and increasing the use of biofuels, while technology progresses for zero-emissions solutions

Optimise travel needs

Mode shift
(active, rail,
lighter vehicles)

Video-
conferencing

Logistics,
warehouse
location

Autonomous
vehicles

Improve efficiency

Vehicle
design
improvement

Route
optimisation

Improved fleet
maintenance

Eco-driving

Electrify (battery or fuel cell)

Cars & buses

Road freight

Rail freight

Short-haul
shipping

Short-haul
aviation

Use alternative fuels

Biofuels (1st
generation) –
limited scale

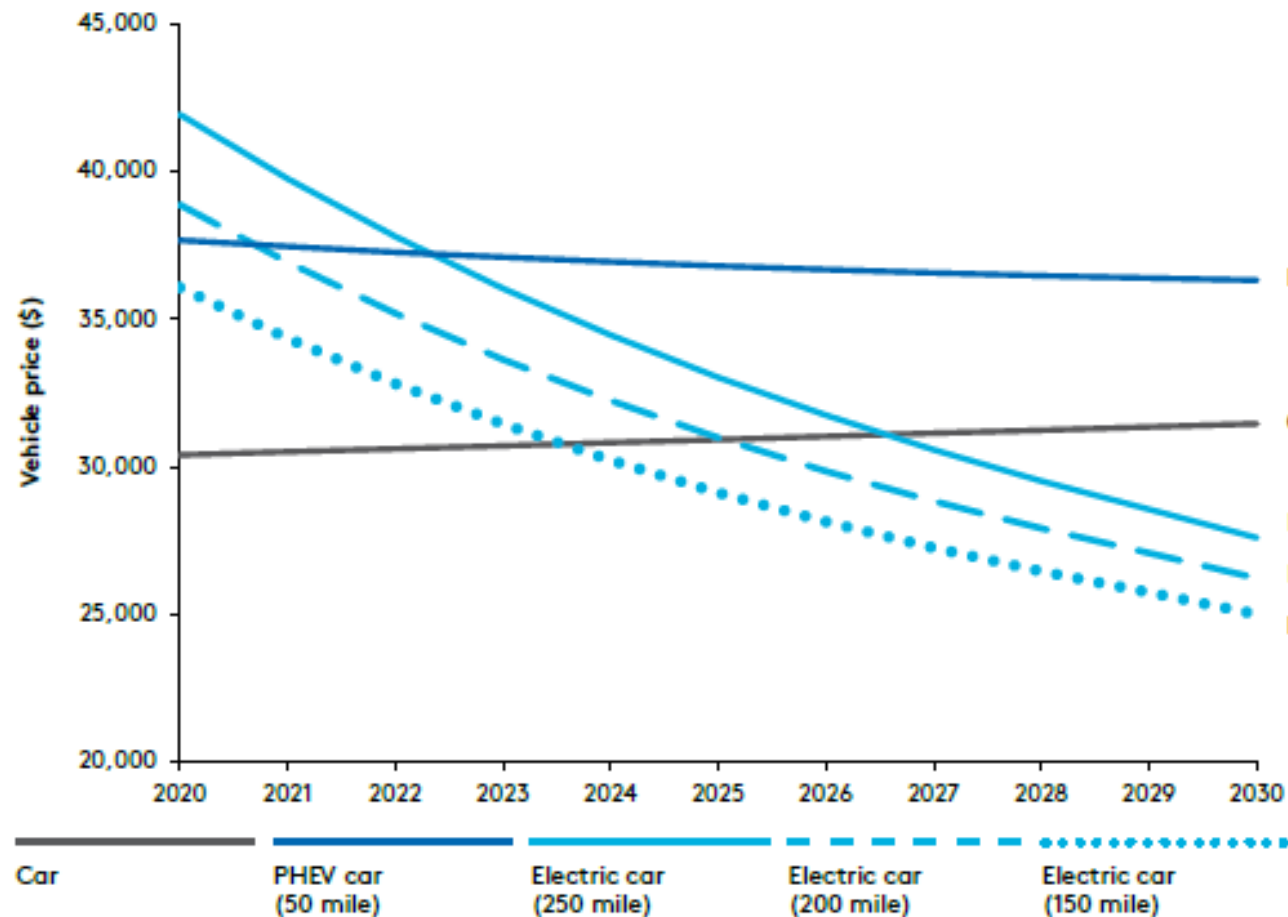
Biofuels
(2nd and 3rd
generation)

Renewable
hydrogen

Renewable
ammonia

**Light road transport:
Within the next decade, electric vehicles are expected to become cost-competitive with, or cheaper than, conventional vehicles**

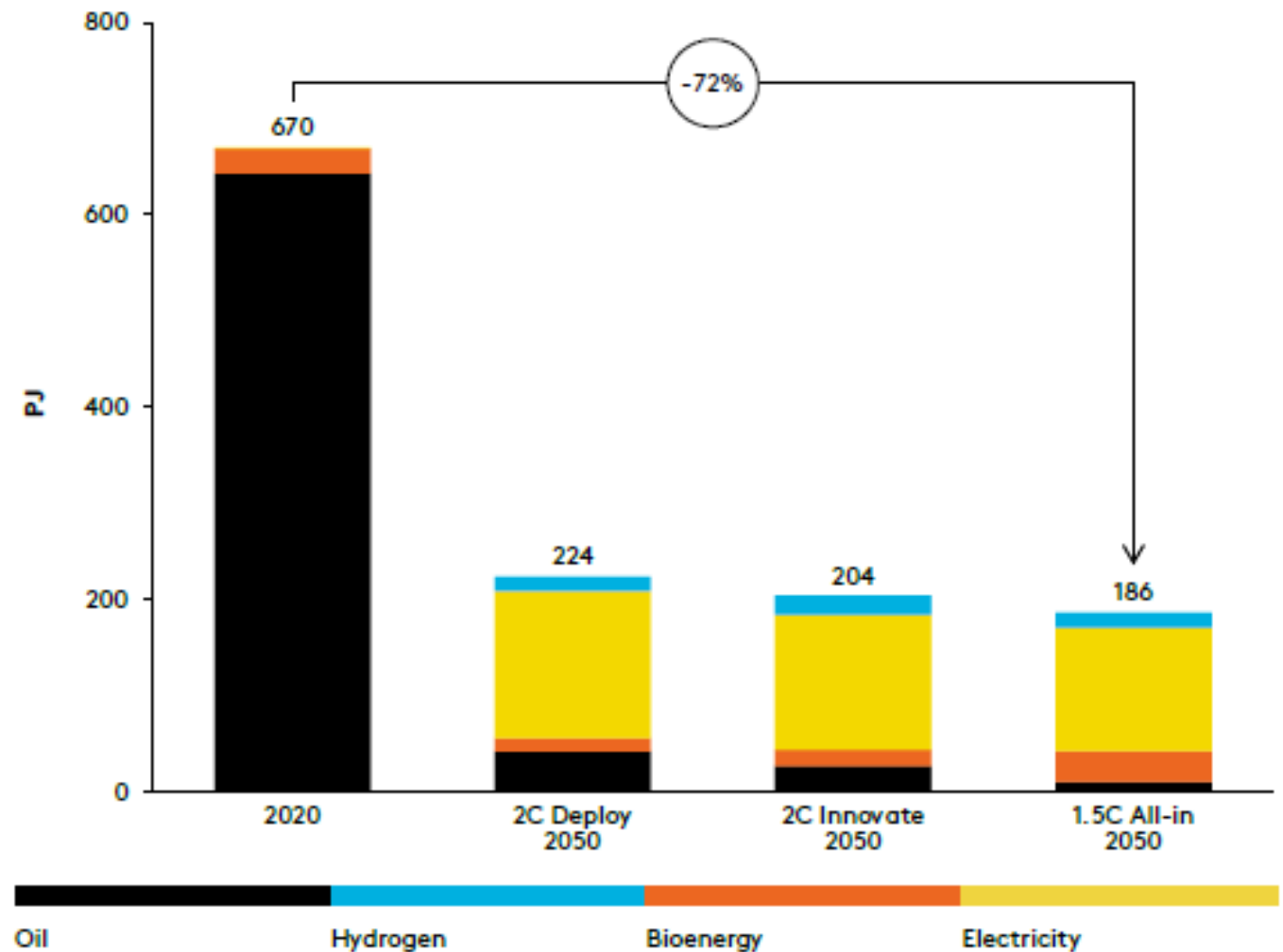
Initial purchase price of conventional vehicles and electric vehicles for cars showing the crossover point in comparative vehicle purchase price (2020-2030)



Source: ICCT (2019)

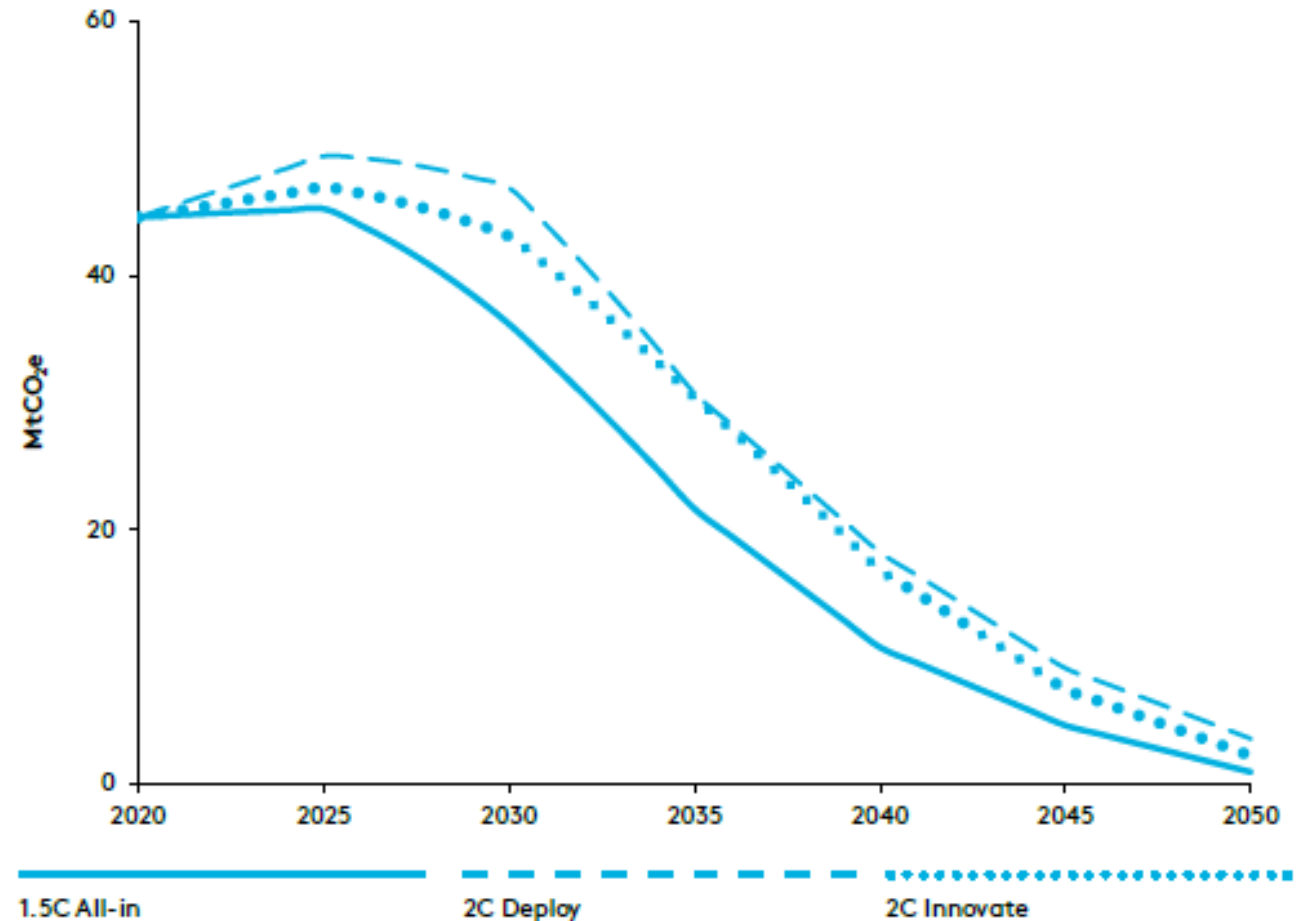
**Light road transport:
The high uptake of
electric vehicles
charged with
renewable electricity
has the potential to
drive road
passenger transport
close to zero
emissions**

Road passenger transport energy use in the modelled scenarios, by fuel type (2020 & 2050)



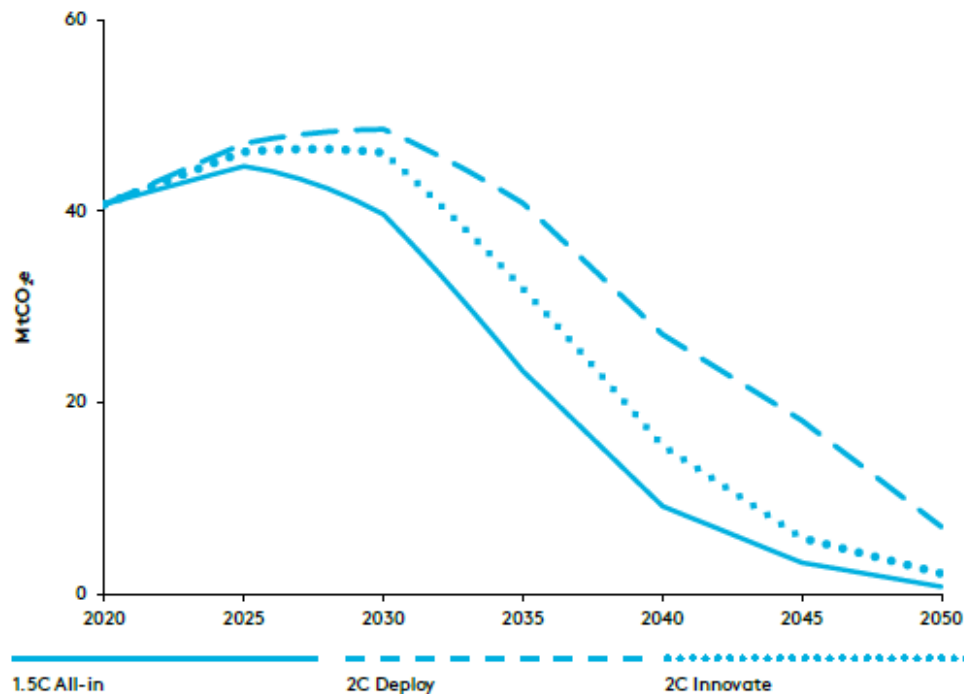
**Light road transport:
Emissions decrease
accelerates after 2030.
This reflects the delay
between electric
vehicles becoming
cost-competitive
(around 2025) and
uptake in new vehicle
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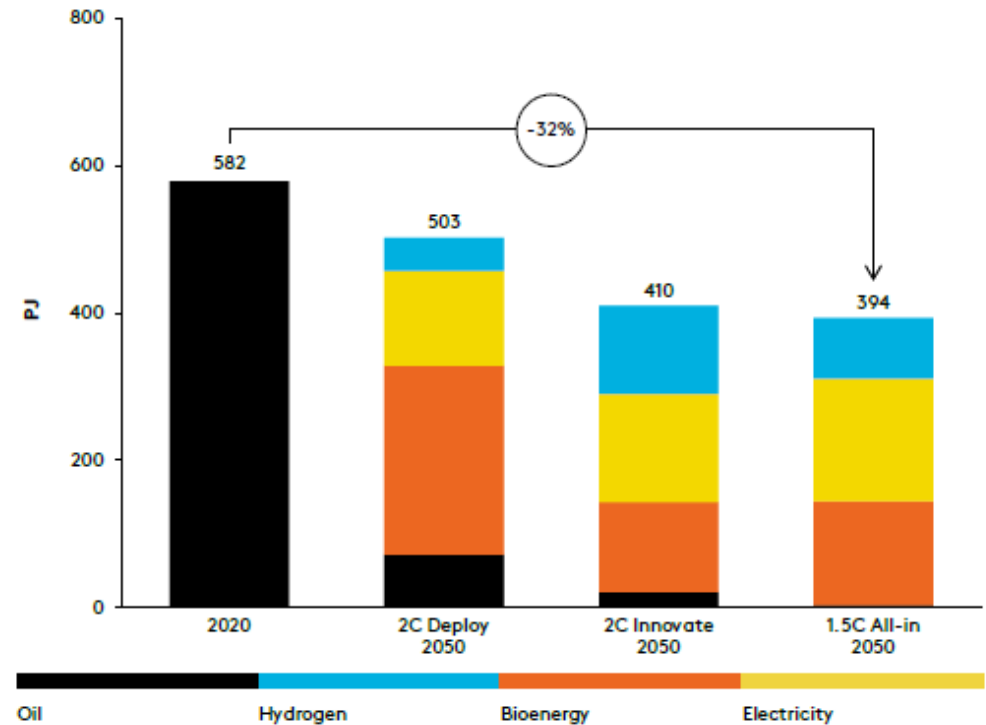


Heavy road transport: Technological developments and policy support could help reach near zero emissions in 2050 through shifts to renewable electricity, bioenergy and hydrogen

Road freight transport emissions in the modelled scenarios (2020-2050)

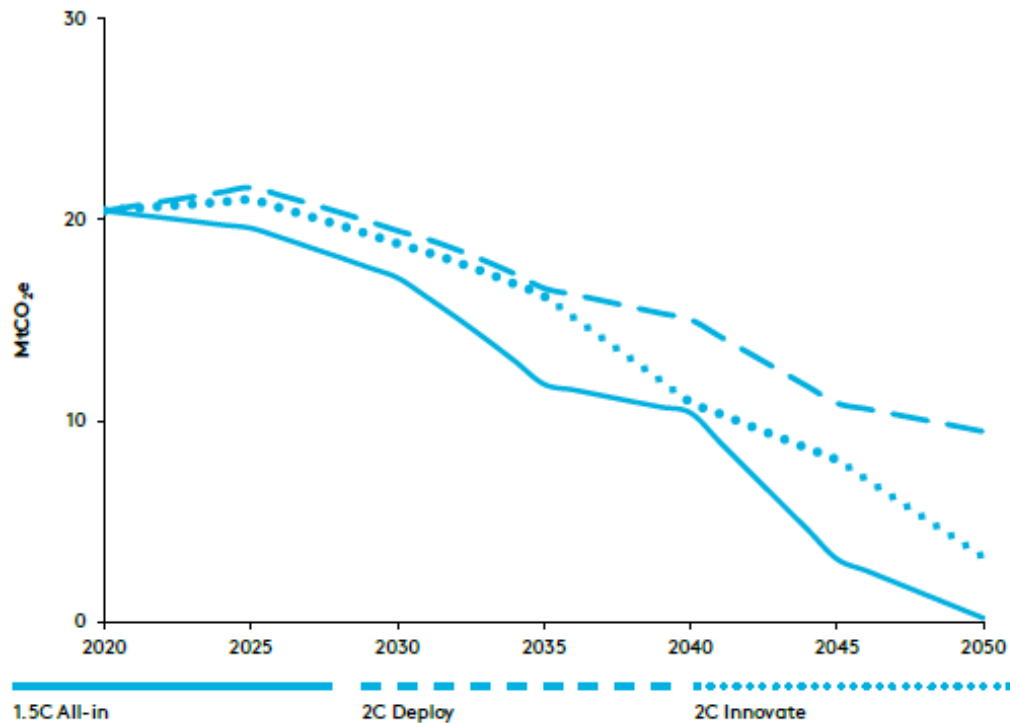


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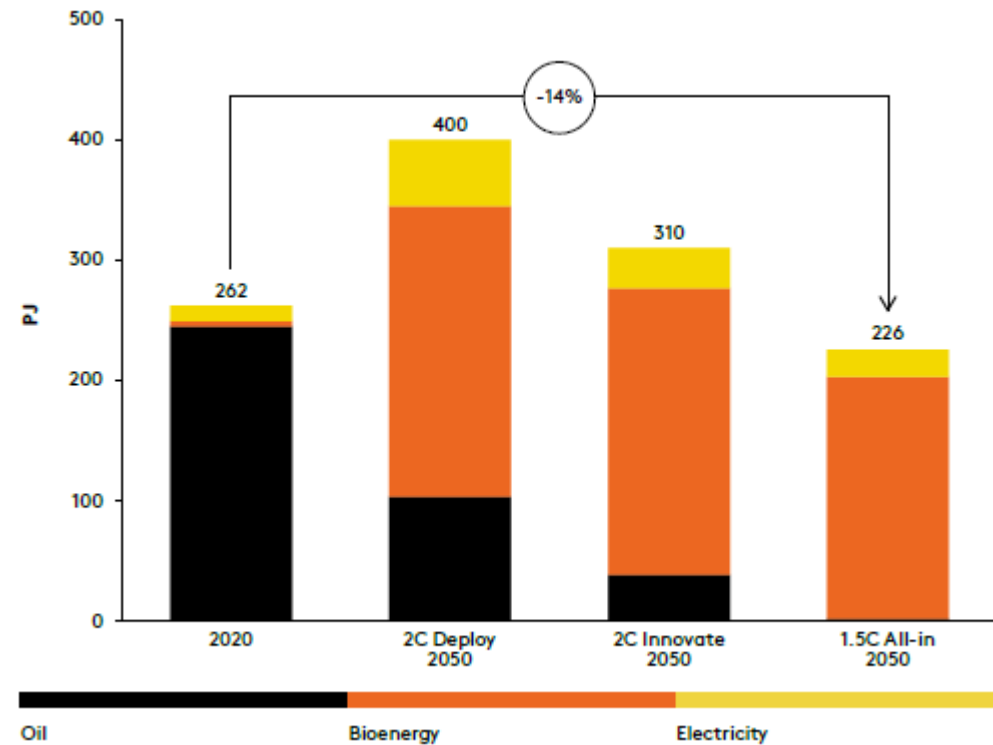


Non-road transport: Energy-efficiency improvements, renewable fuel cost reductions and demand shift can help significantly reduce emissions in aviation and shipping

Non-road transport emissions in the modelled scenarios (2020-2050)

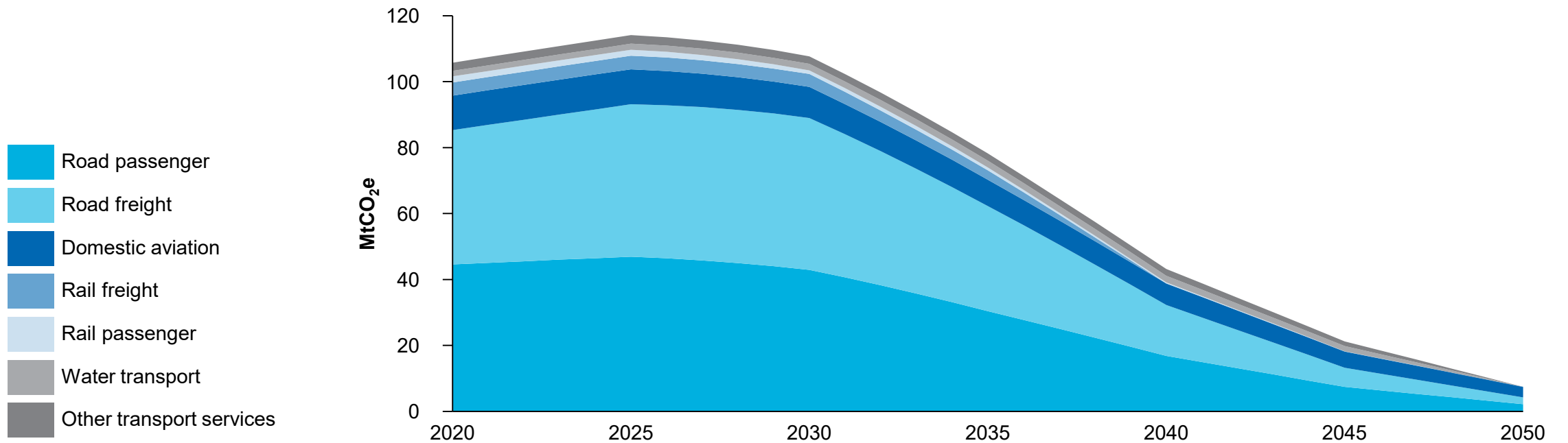


Non-road transport energy use in the modelled scenarios, by fuel type (2020 & 2050)



Transport: It is possible to achieve near zero emissions by 2050

Transport emissions by subsector, MtCO₂e, '2C Innovate' scenario

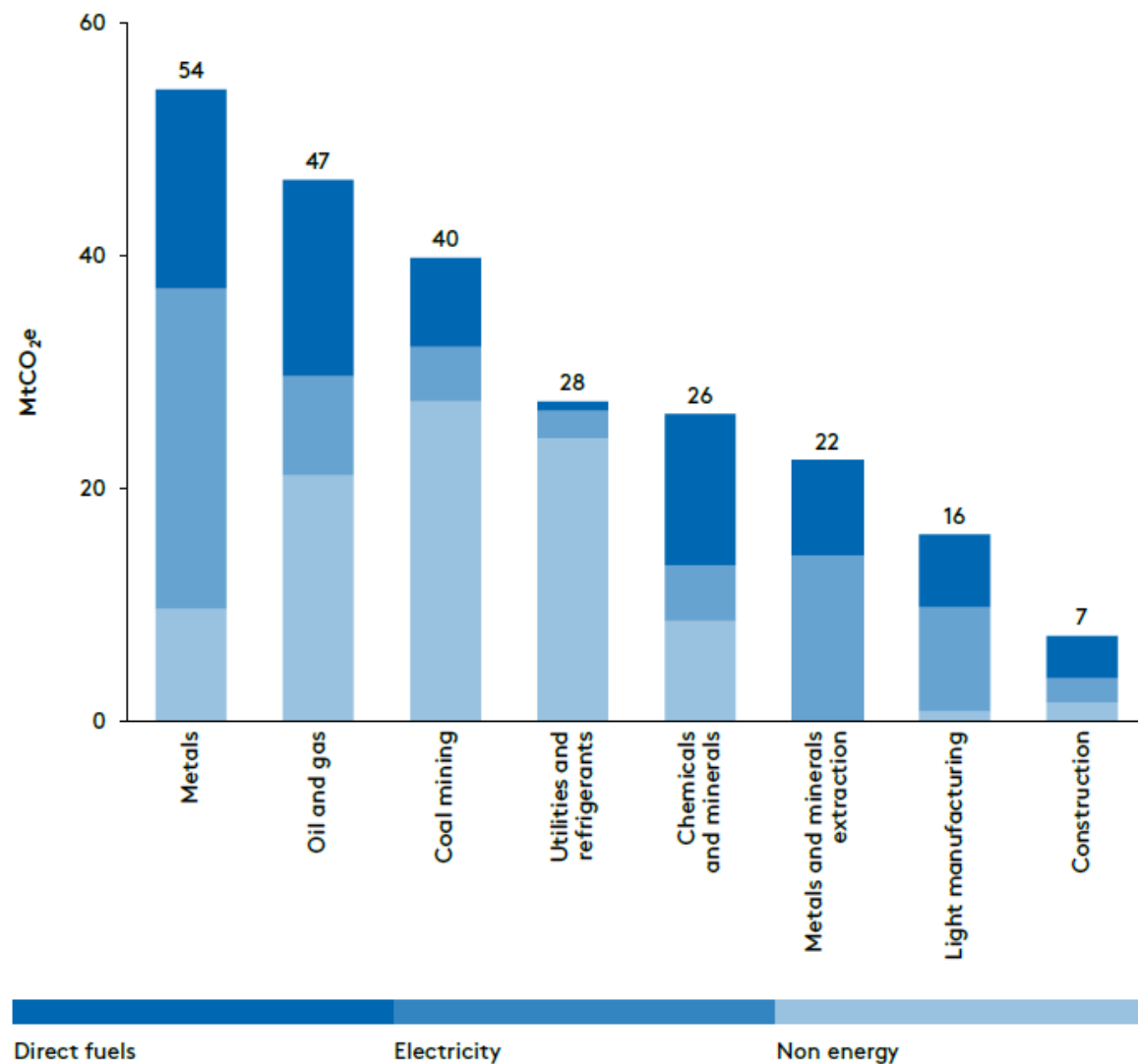


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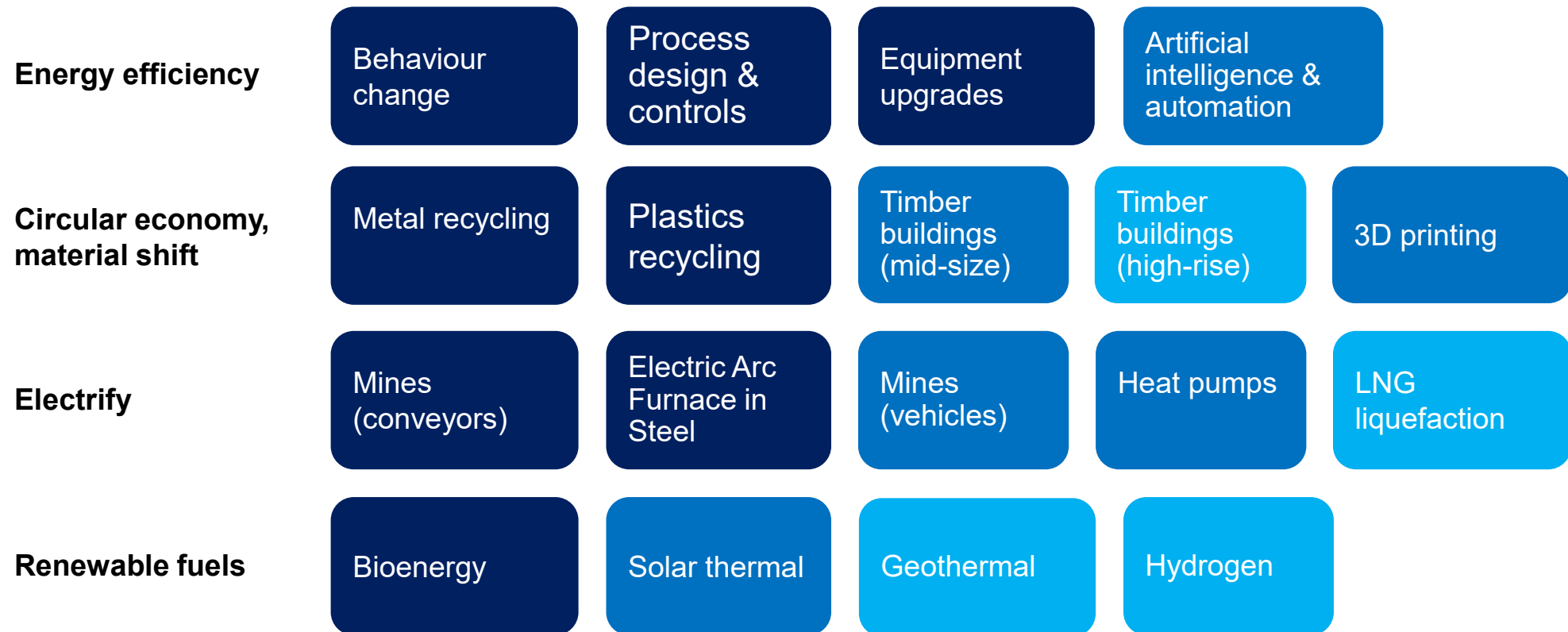
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TECHNOLOGY BENCHMARKS				
Electric cars (battery electric vehicles and fuel cell electric vehicles)	50% of new-car sales, 15% of total fleet	2020 = <1% of sales and total fleet	76% of new-car sales, 28% of total fleet	2020 = <1% of sales and total fleet
Electric trucks (battery electric vehicles and fuel cell electric vehicles)	25-39% of new-truck sales, 8-13% of total fleet	2020 = <1% of sales and total fleet	59% of new-truck sales, 24% of total fleet	2020 = <1% of sales and total fleet
Volume of zero-emissions fuels (bioenergy and hydrogen)	83-111 PJ	171-265% increase	134 PJ	338% increase
ENERGY BENCHMARKS				
Share of electricity and zero-emissions fuels in total transport energy use	9-11%	2020 = 3%	16%	2020 = 3%
Share of electricity and zero-emissions fuels in road passenger and freight energy use	5-9%	2020 = 2%	17%	2020 = 2%
Fossil fuel use in non-road transport	226-233 PJ	5-8% decrease	203 PJ	17% decrease
EMISSIONS BENCHMARKS				
Total transport emissions	108-115 MtCO ₂ e	2-9% increase ¹	93 MtCO ₂ e	12% decrease
+ Road transport emissions	89-95 MtCO ₂ e	5-12% increase ²	76 MtCO ₂ e	11% decrease
+ Other transport emissions	18.8-19.5 MtCO ₂ e	5-8% decrease	17 MtCO ₂ e	16% decrease

Industry: Industry produces nearly half of Australia's emissions, with a significant proportion from non-energy sources

Industrial emissions by subsector and emissions type, MtCO₂e, 2018 (estimated)

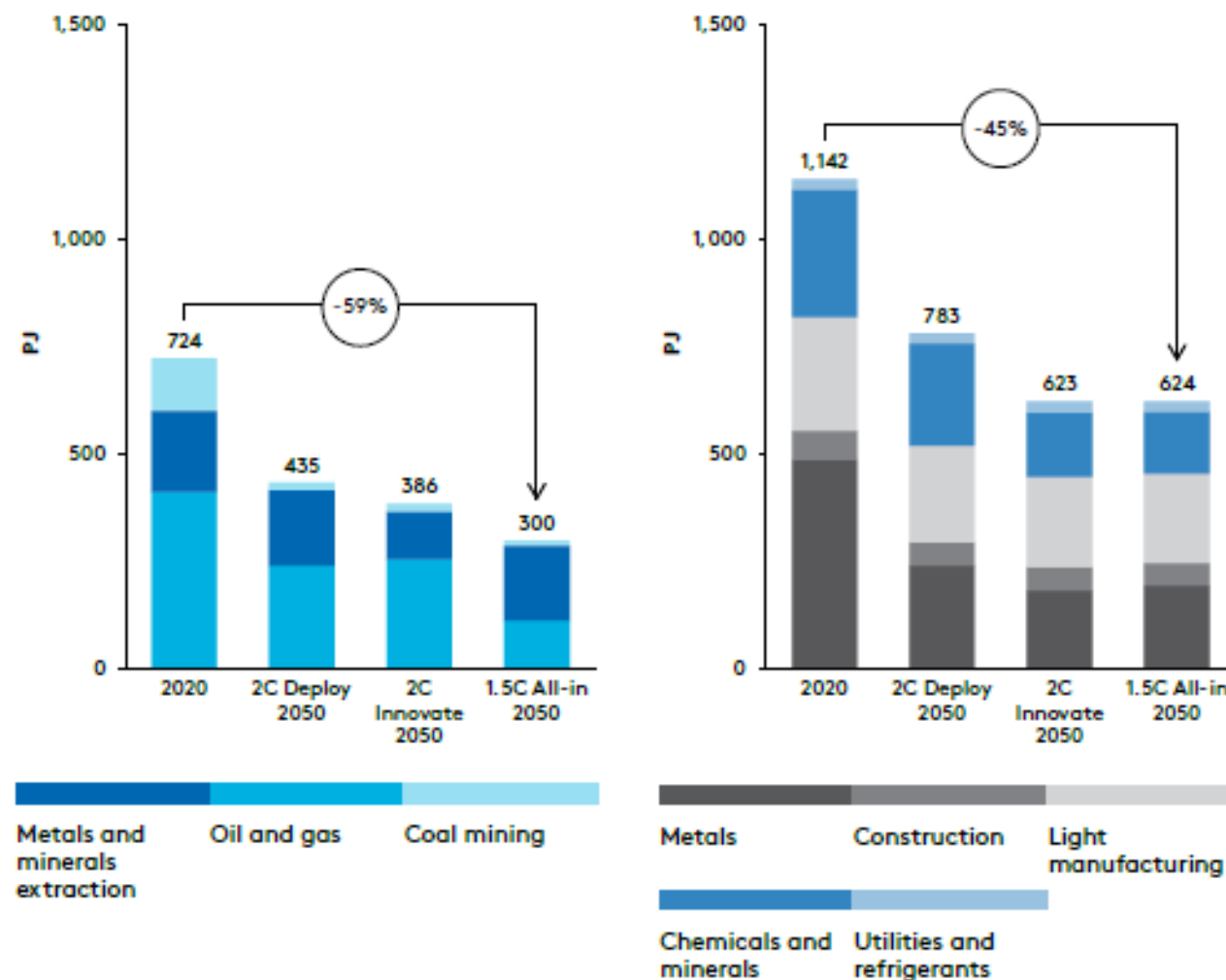


Industry: A number of technologies are ready to be deployed at scale to reduce energy emissions, in particular increased energy efficiency and recycling



Industry:
Improvements in energy and material efficiency, combined with the uptake of other circular economy principles, drives significant energy use reductions

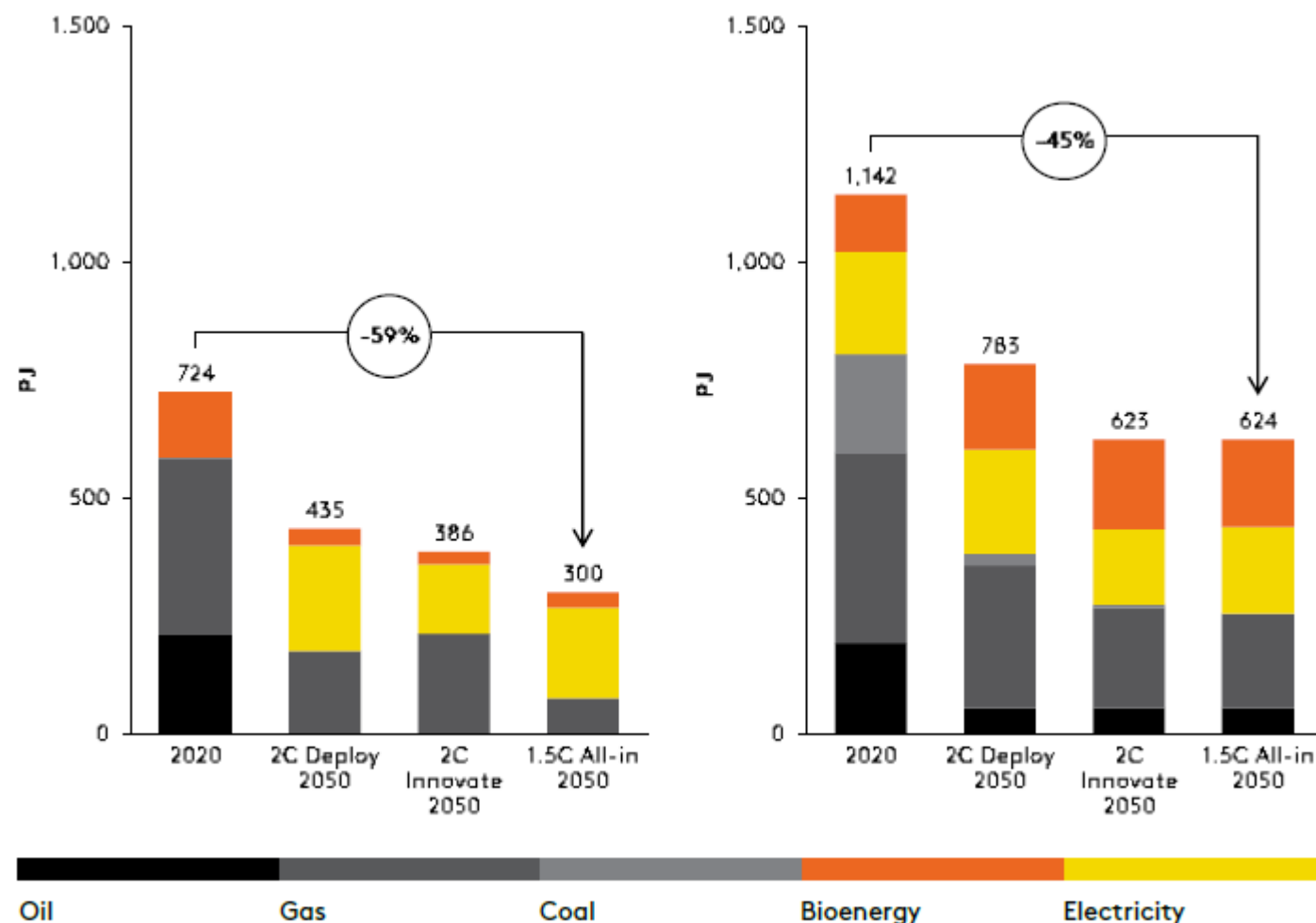
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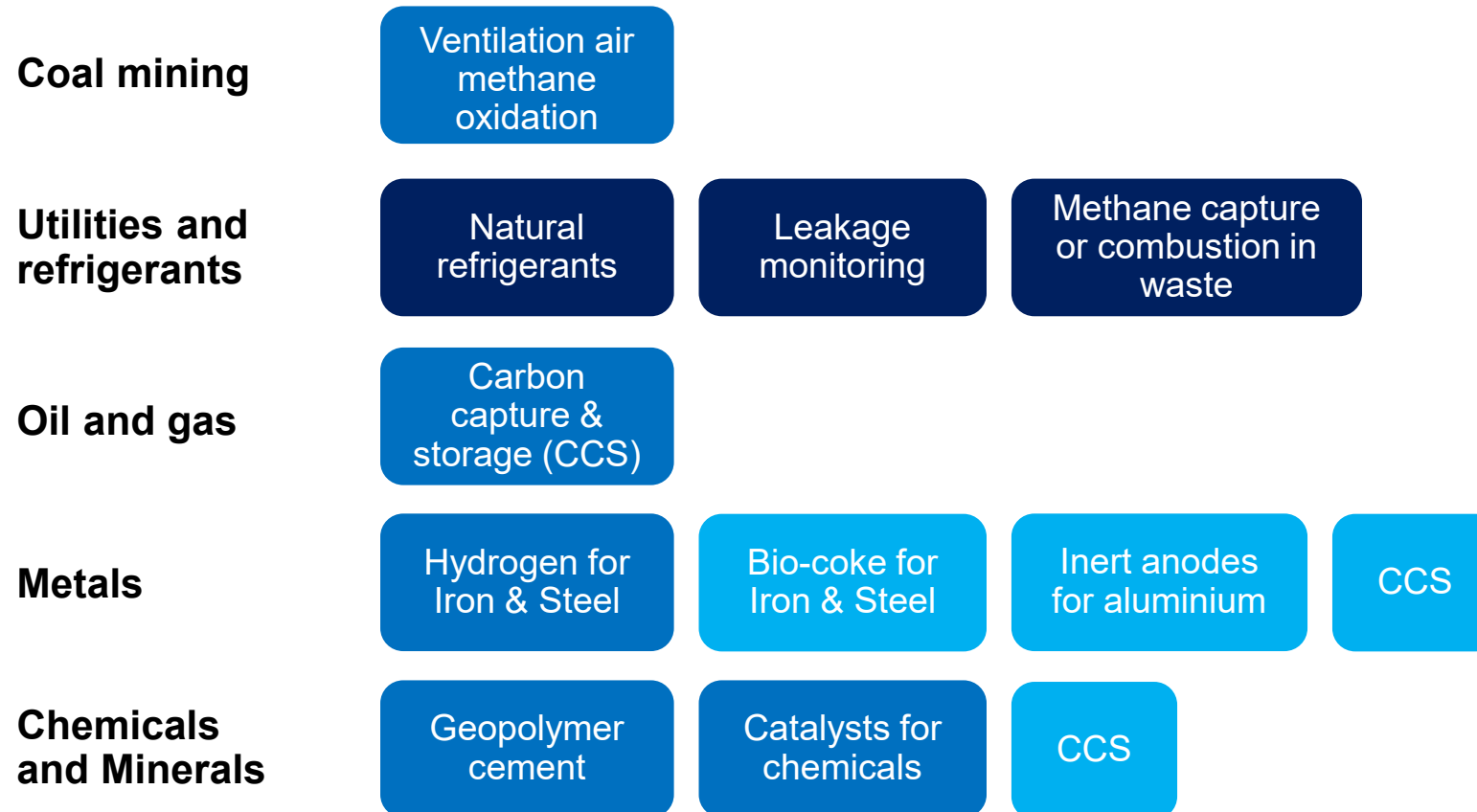
Industry: Electrification and fuel switching could help most industrial processes achieve zero emissions by 2050

Note: hydrogen is not modelled yet in industry, but could be substituted in future as a zero emissions fuel

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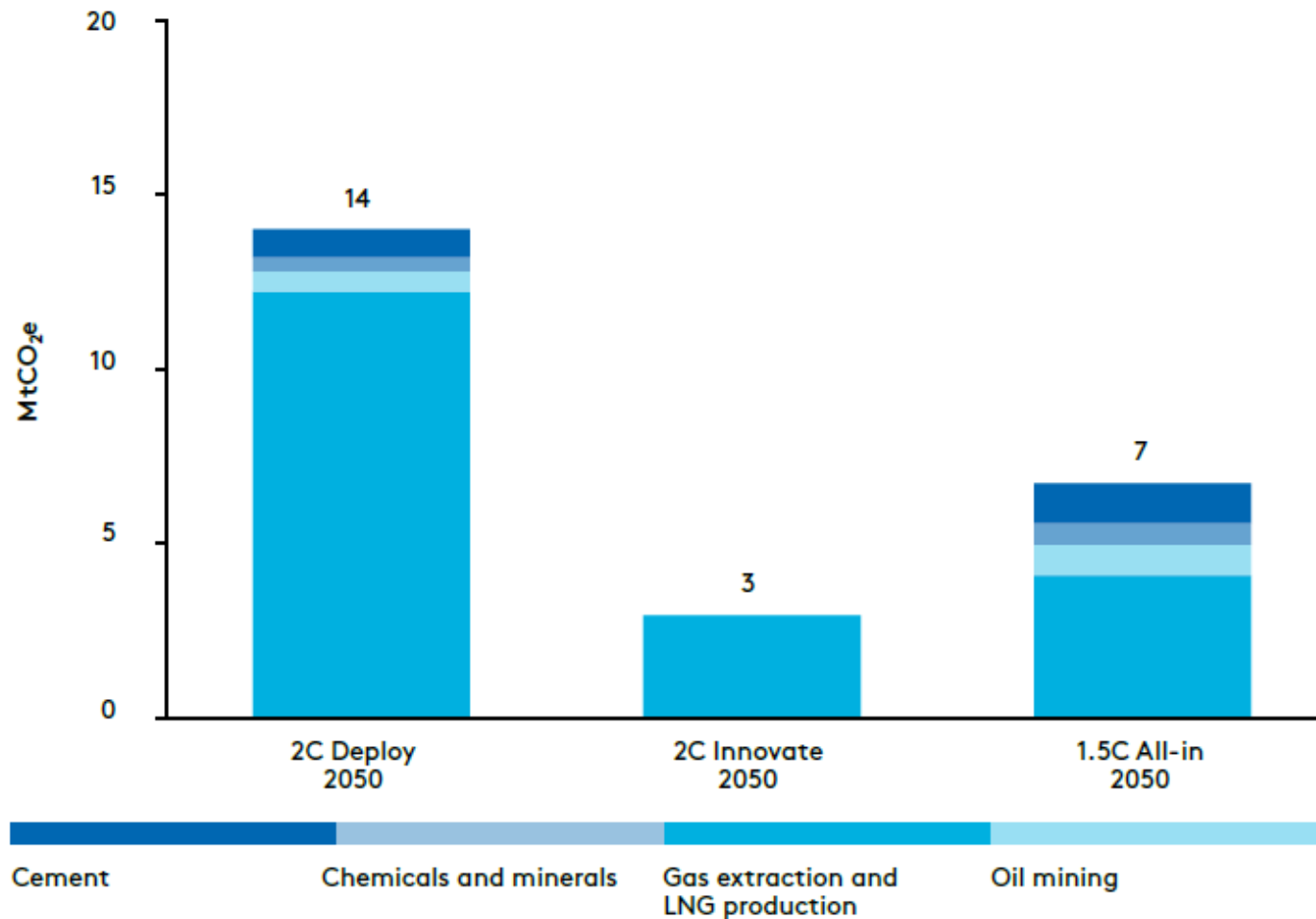


Industry: Further targeted solutions to reduce process and fugitive emissions can be developed and deployed



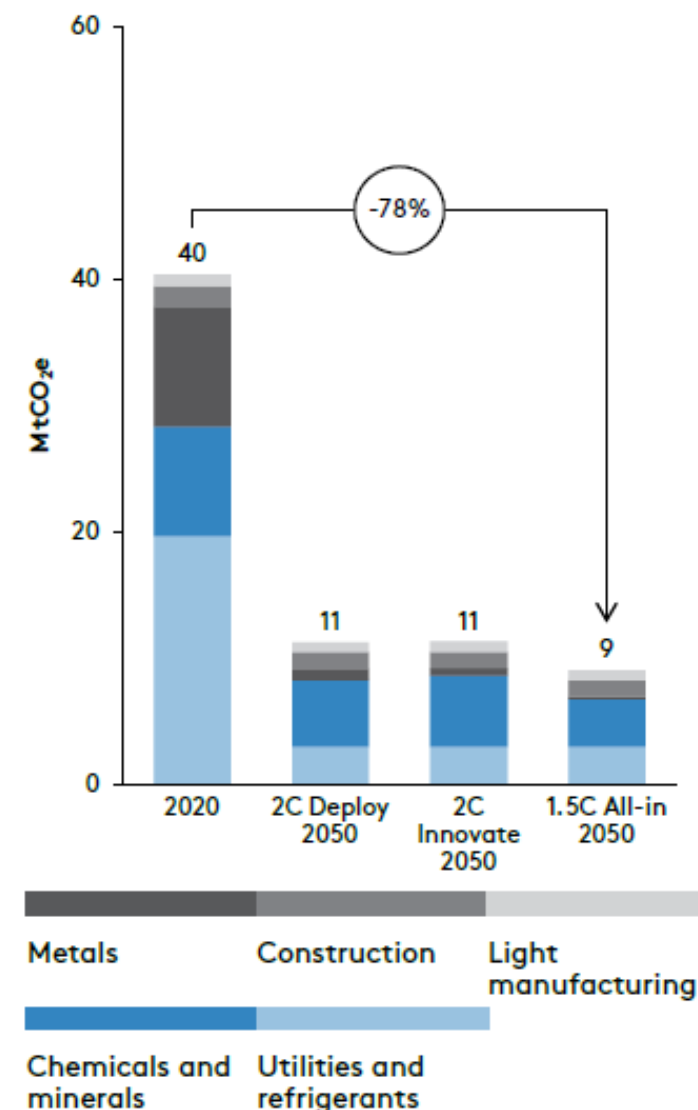
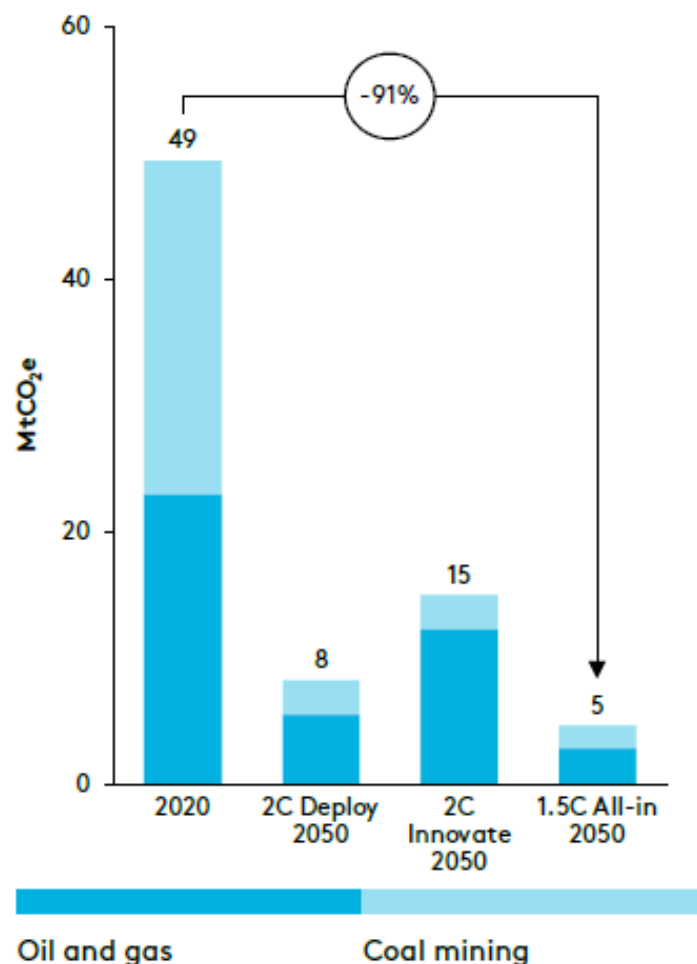
Industry: Carbon capture and storage (CCS) is likely to play a key role in oil and gas

Industry carbon capture and storage in the modelled scenarios (2050), MtCO₂e



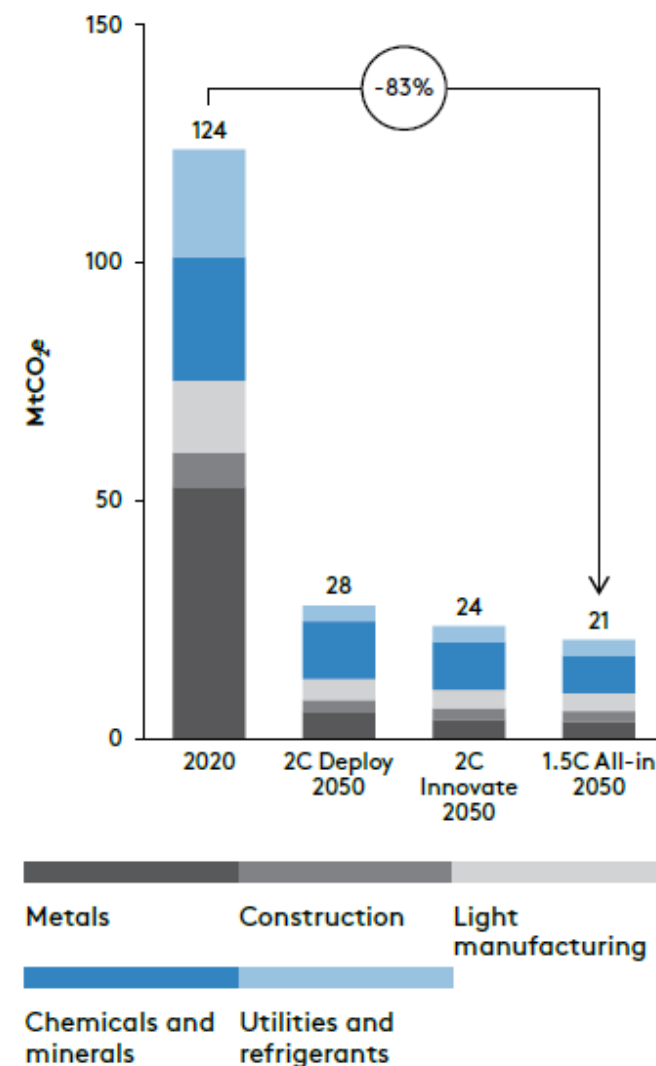
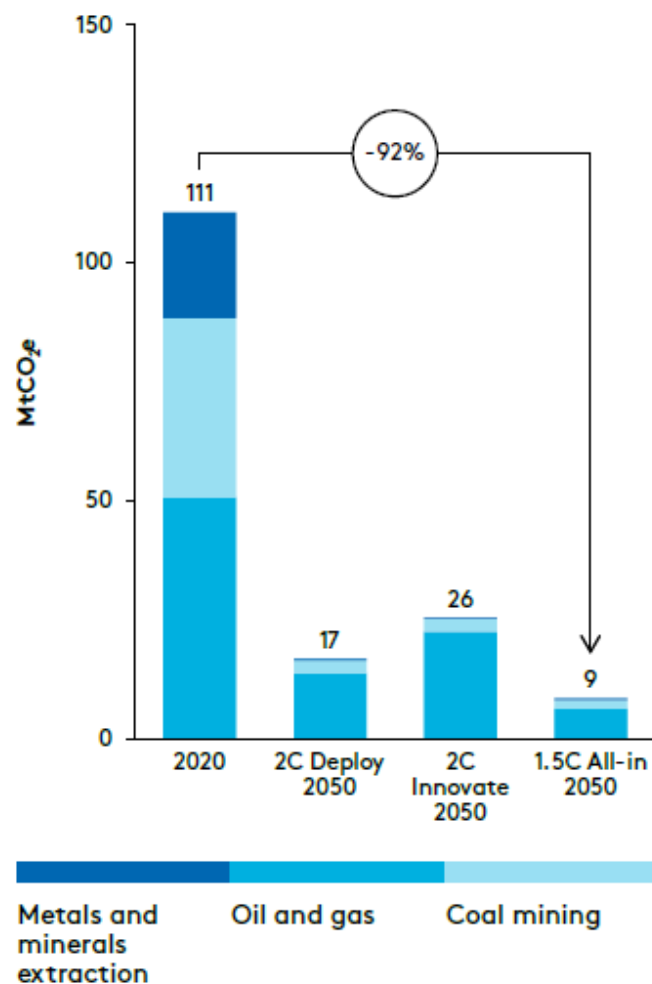
Industry: There is potential to significantly reduce non-energy emissions in key sectors

Mining (left) and manufacturing and other industry (right) non-energy emissions in the modelled scenarios, by subsector (2020 & 2050)



Industry: Significant residual emissions subsist in 2050, demonstrating the size of the technical challenge

Mining (left) and
manufacturing and other
industry (right) total emissions
in the modelled scenarios, by
subsector (2020 & 2050)



Industry: Substantial emissions reductions are achieved for industry in all scenarios, but significant challenges remain to achieve zero emissions by 2050

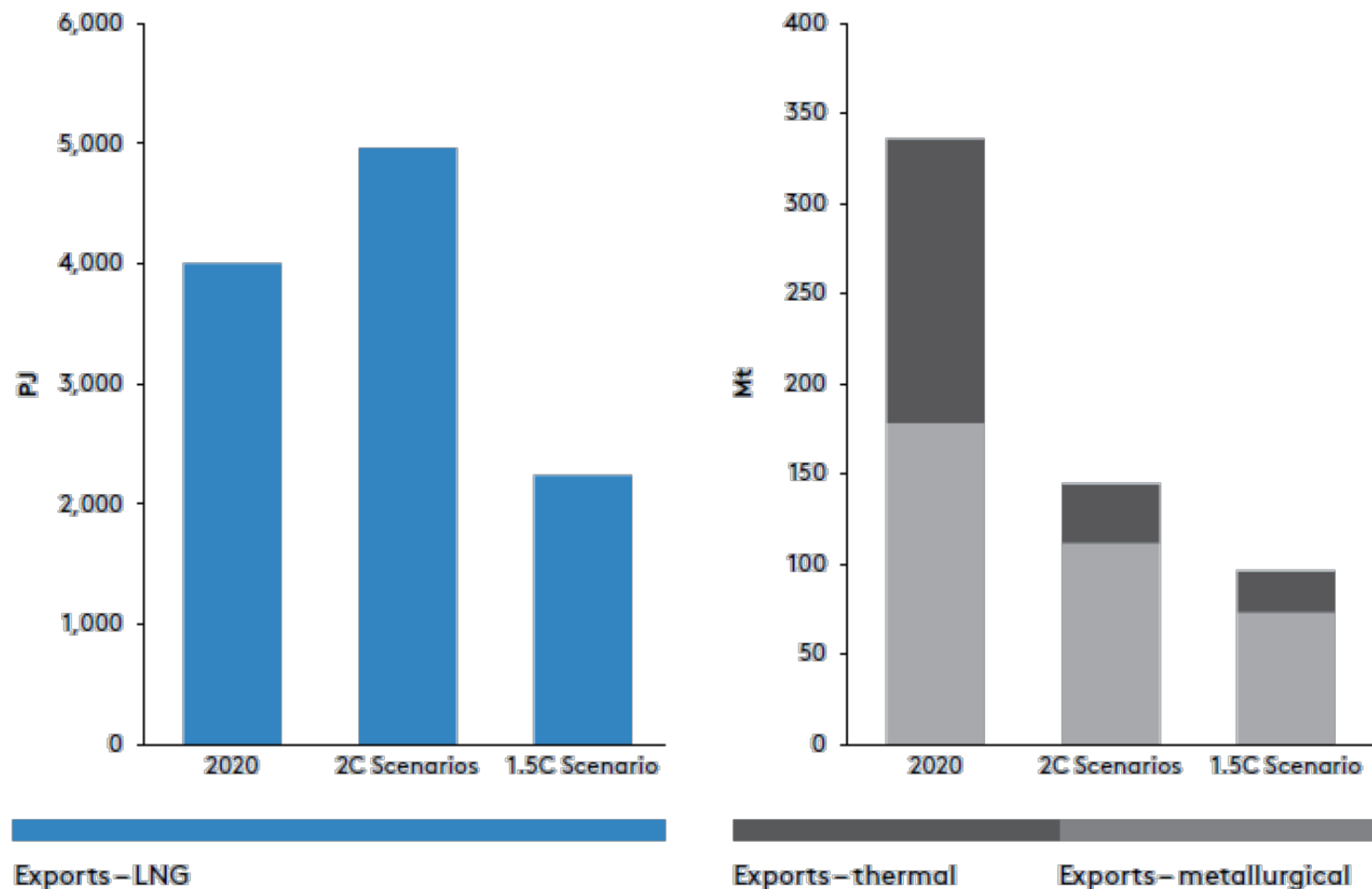
Challenges to achieve zero emissions by 2050 include:

- + Eliminating non-energy emissions in the **chemicals** and continued **LNG production** and export sectors
- + Eliminating residual emissions from subsectors that use **fossil fuel as a feedstock** rather than a fuel
- + Shifting away from fossil fuel-based energy exports towards **renewable energy exports**



Industry: Based on international scenarios, Australian gas and coal exports would decline significantly by 2050 under 1.5 degrees

Australian exports of gas (left) and coal (right) in the modelled scenarios (2050)

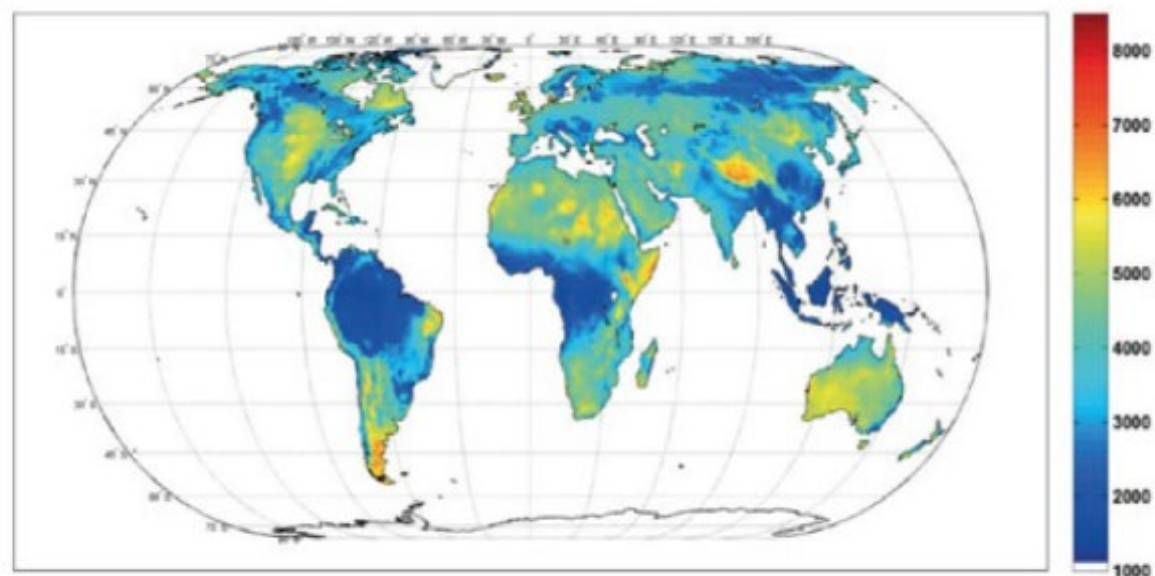


Industry: Decarbonising our supply chains comes with a unique set of opportunities

Australia is well-positioned with:

- + Abundant mineral and energy resources
- + World-class renewable energy resources (identified by the ETC)
- + Project finance capability
- + Engineering capability
- + Existing trade relationships and proximity to Asian markets

Availability of wind and solar resources differ significantly by region



Source: IEA (2017), *Renewable Energy for Industry* (Adapted and based on Fashi, Bogdanov and Breyer (2016), *Techno-Economic Assessment of Power-to-Liquids (PtL) Fuels Production and Global Trading Based on Hybrid PV-Wind Power Plants*)

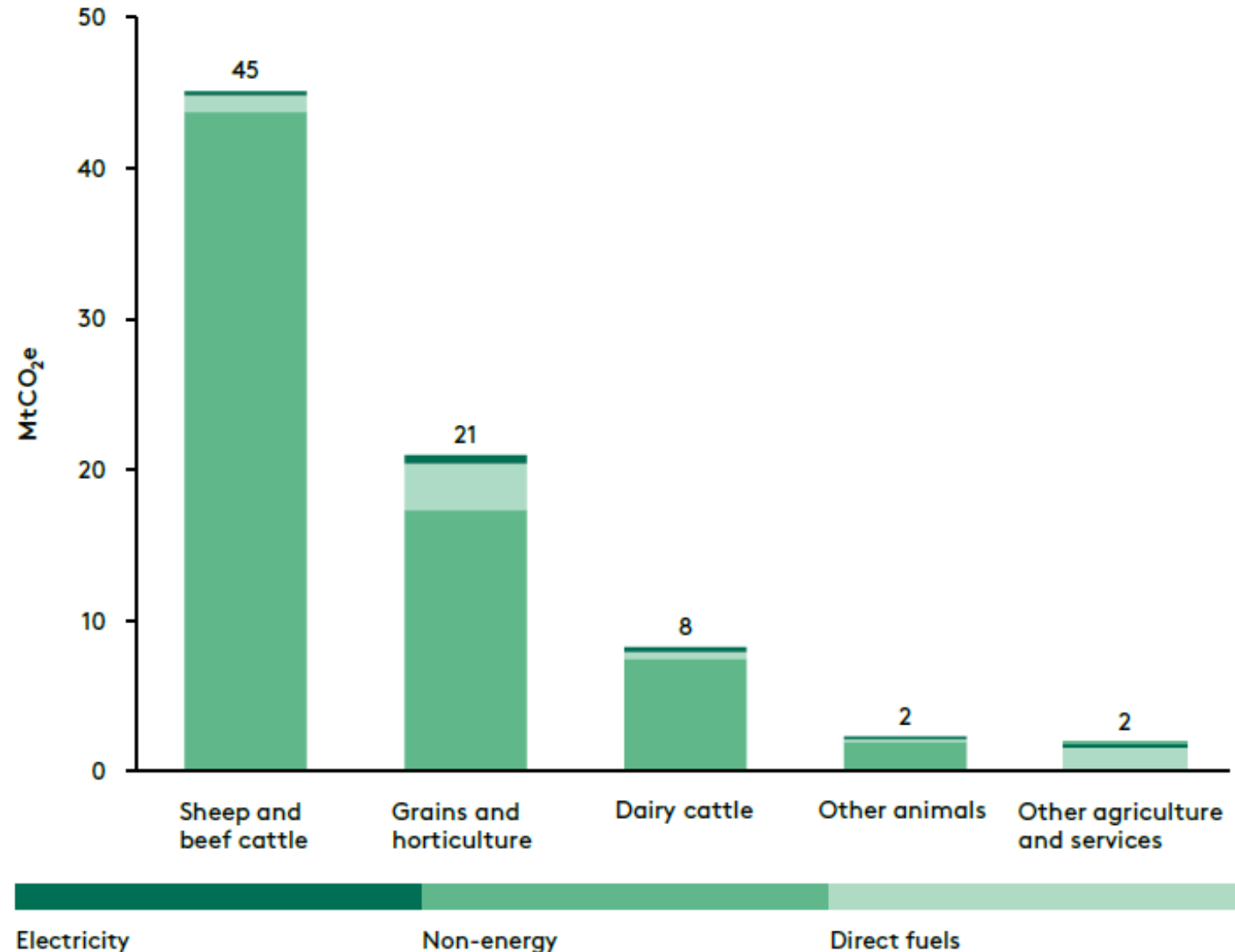
Source: Energy Transitions Commission 2019, *Mission Possible*

Benchmarks of progress towards net zero emissions by 2050

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Agriculture: Non-energy emissions represent the vast majority of emissions

Agriculture emissions by subsector and emissions type (2018)



Agriculture: Sustainable agricultural practices can be implemented today to reduce emissions, while more investment in RD&D will be required to achieve zero-emissions

Energy

Sustainable agriculture practices, energy efficient equipment

Precision agriculture, automation

Onsite renewables

Electric machinery

Non-energy - livestock

Product substitutes: plant-based

Product substitutes: Laboratory grown meat

Breeding, feeding & pasture practices (step change)

Manure management

Anti-methane vaccines

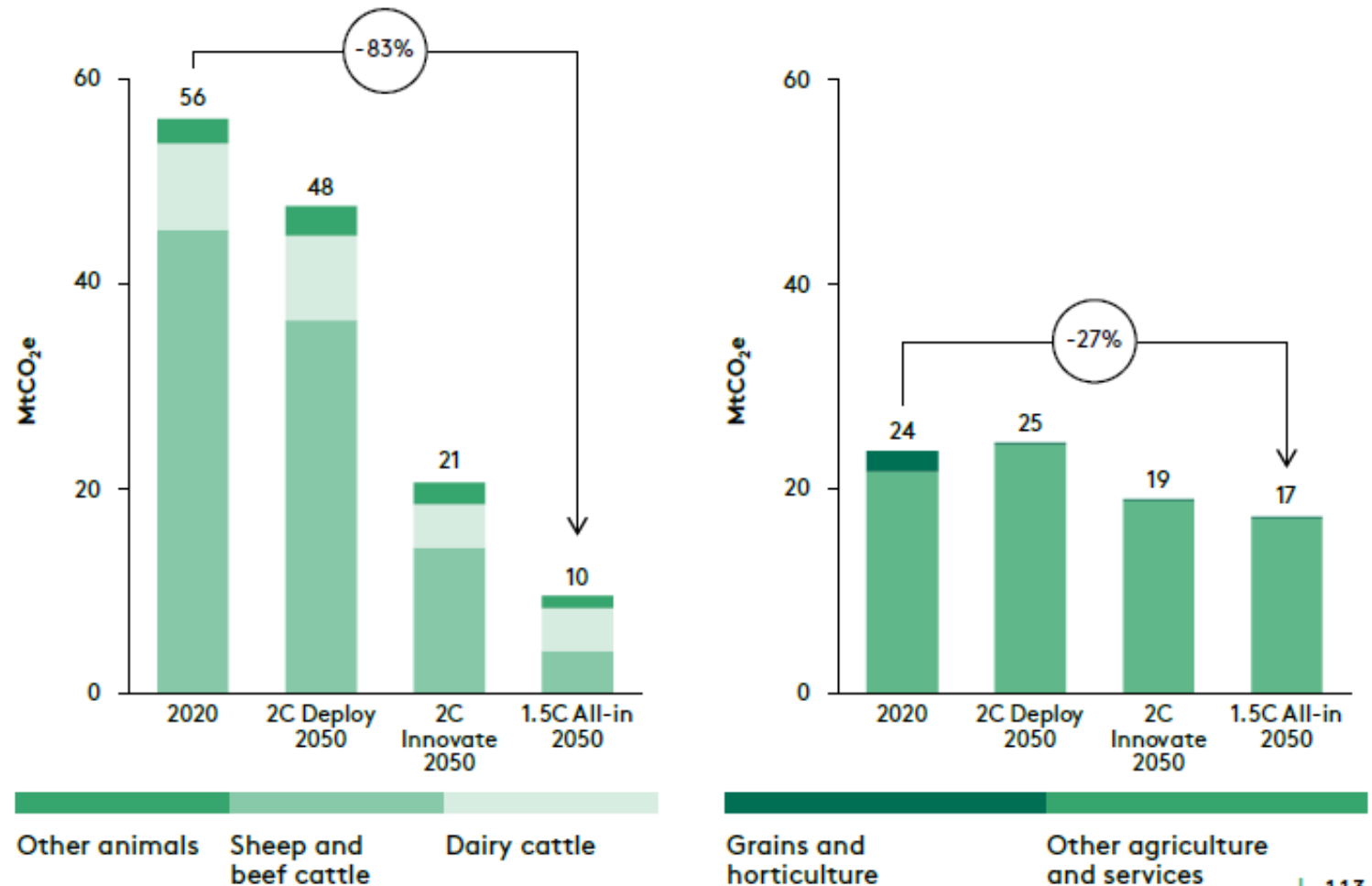
Non-energy - grains & horticulture

Precision agriculture, fertiliser management

Soil carbon sequestration

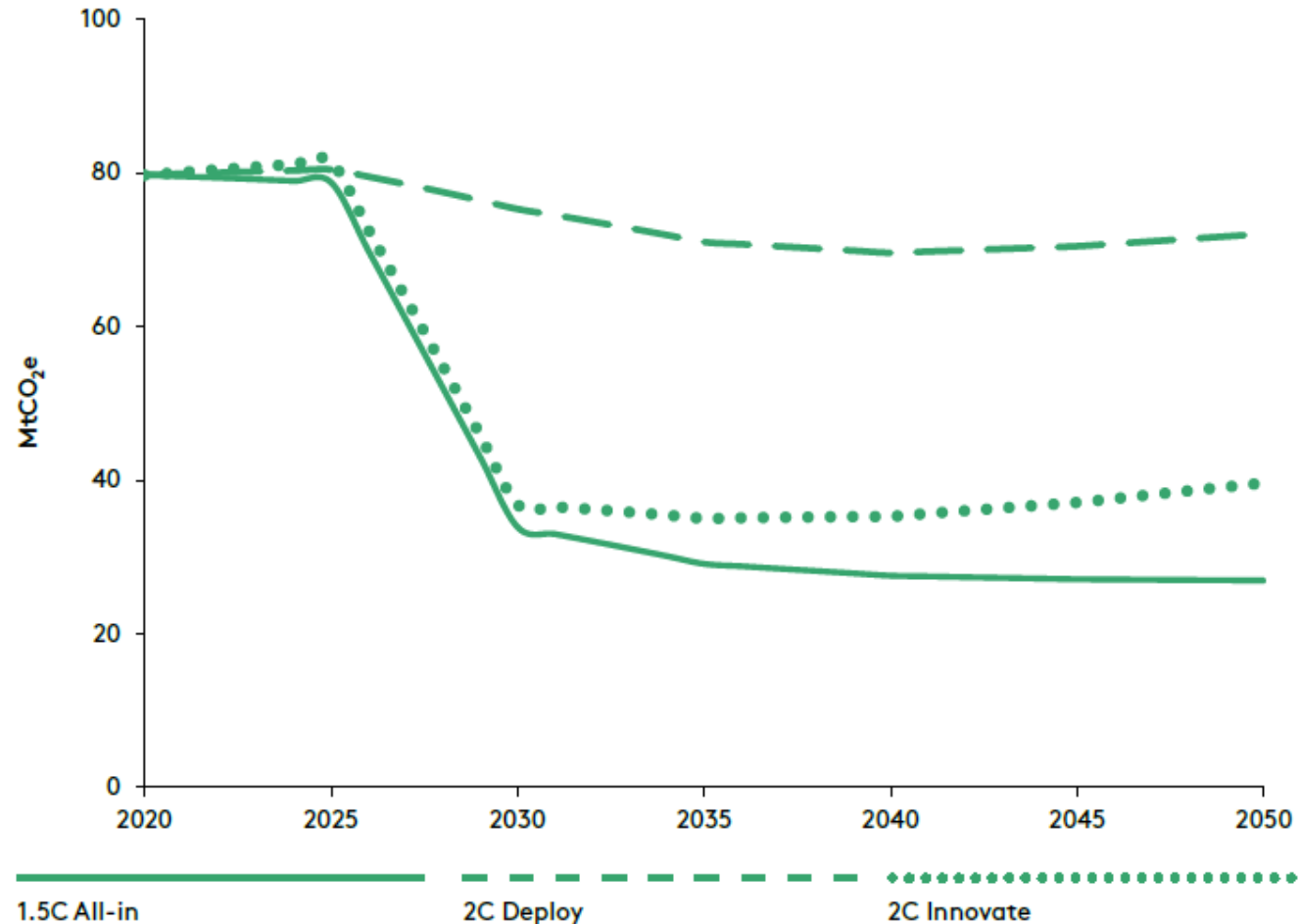
Agriculture: Technological breakthroughs and behaviour change can significantly reduce livestock emissions by 2050, but challenges such as non-energy emissions from grains and horticulture production must also be addressed

Livestock (left) and grains, horticulture and other agriculture (right) emissions in the modelled scenarios, by subsector (2020 & 2050)



**Agriculture:
Significant residual
emissions remain
by 2050 across all
our scenarios**

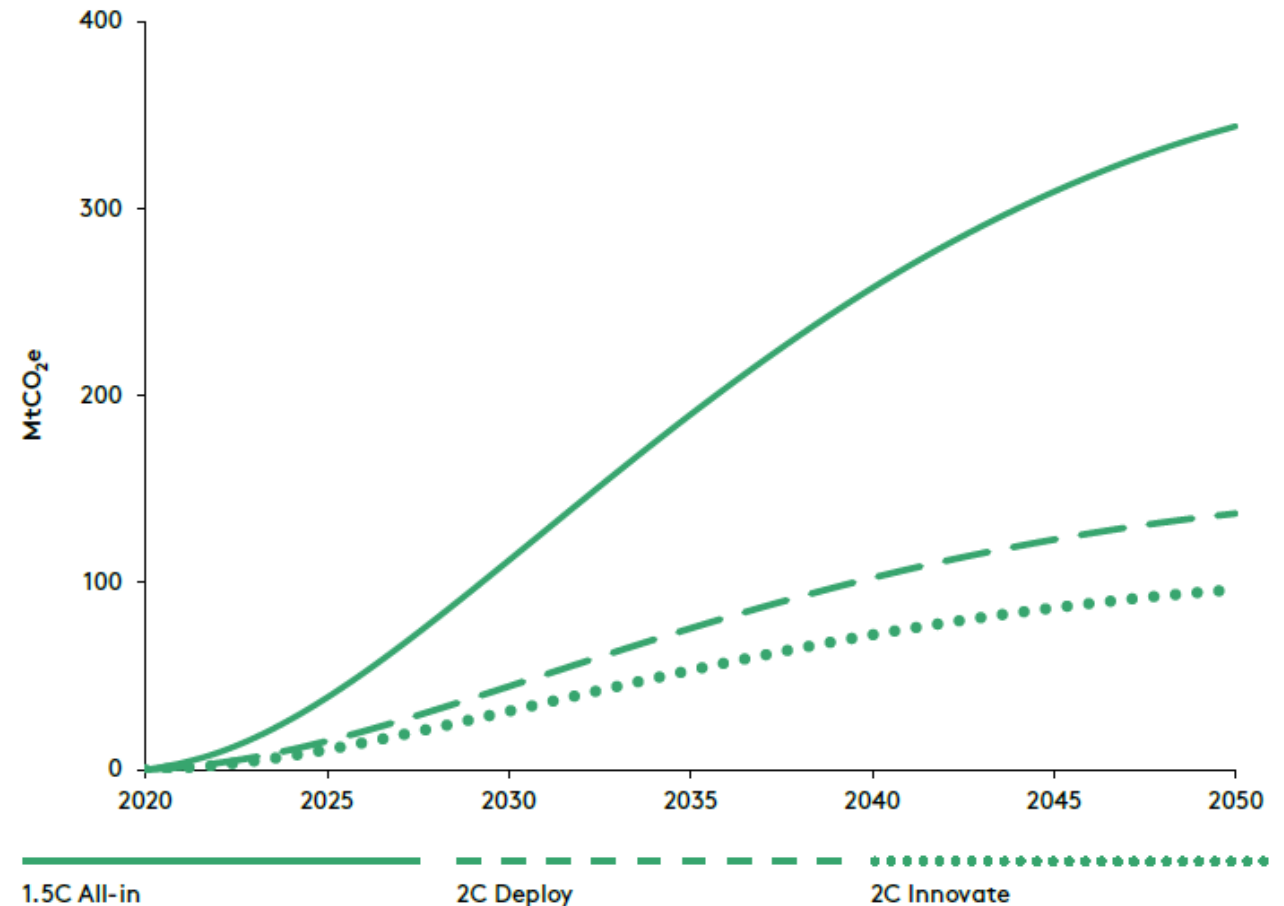
Overall agriculture emissions in the modelled scenarios (2020-2050)



Forestry: Australia's ample carbon forestry potential can help achieve net zero emissions in the medium term

- + Not all emerging zero emissions solutions could be modelled
- + Carbon forestry was used to fill the gap
- + It represents the size of the RD&D effort required

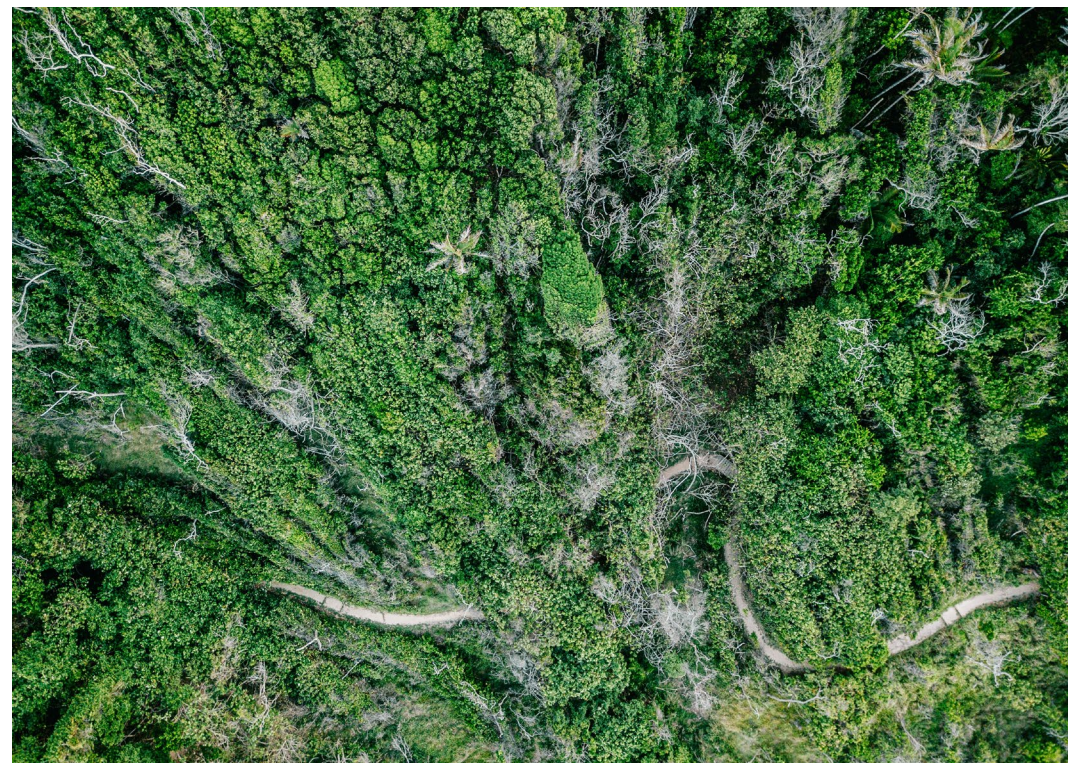
Carbon forestry sequestration in the modelled scenarios (2020-2050)



Forestry: Nature-based solutions such as carbon forestry will continue to play a role in Australia – although they can only be a temporary solution on a pathway to zero emissions

Carbon forestry:

- + Is vulnerable to bushfires, drought and heatwaves
- + Requires long lead times
- + Requires significant areas of land
- + Competes against other land use needs
- + Increases water use
- + Poses threats on biodiversity
- + Will need new parcels of land to be reforested to offset new emissions



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Agriculture and land emissions	37-75 MtCO ₂ e	6-54% decrease	34 MtCO ₂ e	57% decrease
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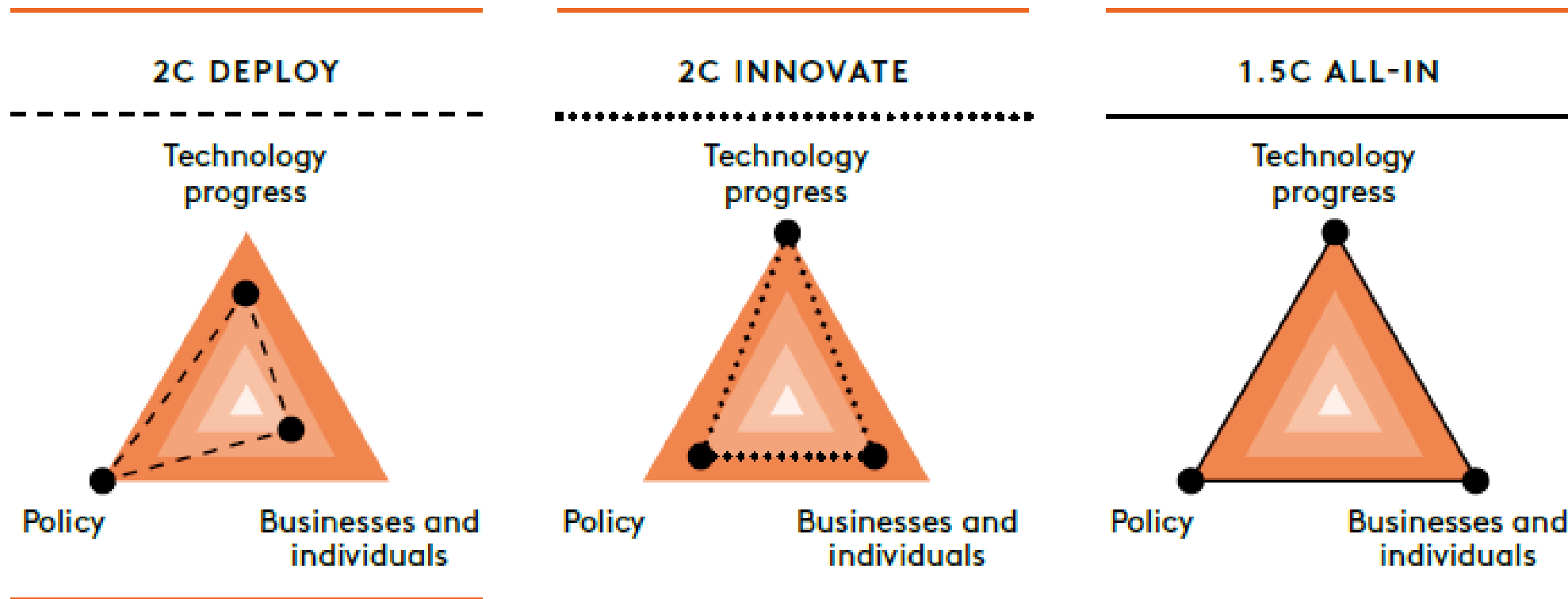
OUR SCENARIOS

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We used the CCA methodology to calculate an updated Australian carbon budget for 1.5 and 2 degrees

CLIMATE GOAL	CARBON BUDGET, AS OF 01/01/2020	EQUIVALENT TO X YEARS AT CURRENT EMISSIONS LEVELS	REQUIRES NET ZERO BY
GLOBAL PERSPECTIVE			
2°C, 67% chance	1,086 GtCO ₂	26 years	~2070
1.5°C, 50% chance	496 GtCO ₂	12 years	~2050
1.5°C, 67% chance	336 GtCO ₂	8 years	~2050
AUSTRALIAN PERSPECTIVE^a			
2°C, 67% chance	11.1 GtCO ₂ e	21 years	~2050
1.5°C, 50% chance	4.1 GtCO ₂ e	7.6 years	~2035
1.5°C, 67% chance	2.1 GtCO ₂ e	4.0 years	~2035 (with overshoot)

Decarbonisation Futures uses scenarios to explore a range of possible low-emissions futures for Australia



Scenario assumptions – Overall context

● 2C Deploy ● 2C Innovate ● 1.5C All-in

CONTEXT	Population growth	Low growth		High growth
	GDP growth	Low growth		High growth
	Climate ambition	6 degrees		1.5 degrees
	Trajectory	Insufficient		Rapid decline
	Transition from fossil fuels	Limited		High
	Policy	Weak action		Strong action
	Business/individual actions	Weak action		Strong action
	Technology progress (technology cost reductions)	Limited		High

Scenario assumptions – Solutions

● 2C Deploy ● 2C Innovate ● 1.5C All-in

SOLUTIONS	Category	Solution	Assumptions		
			2C Deploy	2C Innovate	1.5C All-in
BUILDINGS		Energy efficiency & demand reduction	Limited	High	High
		Fuel switch (electrification & low-carbon fuels)	None	100%	100%
INDUSTRY		Energy efficiency	Limited	High	High
		Fuel switch (electrification & low-carbon fuels)	None	100%	100%
		Automation	Limited	Widespread	Widespread
		Materials efficiency	Limited	Widespread	Widespread
		Materials substitution	Limited	Widespread	Widespread
		Circular economy - recycling	Limited	Widespread	Widespread
		Process emissions reductions (including CCS)	None	100%	100%
LAND + AG		Carbon sequestration - forestry	Limited	Economic potential	Economic potential
		Sustainable agriculture practices	Limited	Widespread	Widespread
		Livestock methane reduction	Limited	100%	100%
ELECTRICITY		Renewable generation share 2050	None	100%	100%
		Grid-scale batteries	Limited	Widespread	Widespread
		Behind the meter generation and storage	Limited	Widespread	Widespread
		Coal closure	End of life	Accelerated	Accelerated
		Nuclear, CCS/ BECCS generation share 2050	None	100%	100%
TRANSPORT		EV share of light vehicles 2050	None	100%	100%
		EV share of heavy vehicles 2050	None	100%	100%
		Fuel cell share of light vehicles 2050	None	100%	100%
		Fuel cell share of heavy vehicles 2050	None	100%	100%
		Autonomous vehicles: private travel 2050	None	100%	100%
		Autonomous vehicles: ride share 2050	None	100%	100%
		E-commerce share of sales	None	100%	100%
		Non-road: shift to low-carbon fuels	None	100%	100%

Our scenario analysis provides technology uptake...

TECHNOLOGY				
BENCHMARK	2°C PATHWAYS		1.5°C PATHWAY	
	2030	CHANGE versus 2020	2030	CHANGE versus 2020
Emissions intensity	220-252 tCO ₂ e/GWh	63-67% decrease	177 tCO ₂ e/GWh	74% decrease
Share of renewable electricity generation	70-74%	2020 = 25%	79%	2020 = 25%
Additional renewable capacity between 2020 and 2030		24-28 GW added		29 GW added
Additional storage capacity between 2020 and 2030		44-66 GWh added		56 GWh added
Rooftop solar electricity generation	22-26 TWh	85-116% increase	26 TWh	116% increase
Electric cars (battery electric vehicles and fuel cell electric vehicles)	50% of new car sales, 15% of total fleet	2020 = <1% of sales and total fleet	76% of new car sales, 28% of total fleet	2020 = <1% of sales and total fleet
Electric trucks (battery electric vehicles and fuel cell electric vehicles)	25-39% of new truck sales, 8-13% of total fleet	2020 = <1% of sales and total fleet	59% of new truck sales, 24% of total fleet	2020 = <1% of sales and total fleet
Volume of zero emissions fuels (bioenergy and hydrogen)	83-111 PJ	171-265% increase	134 PJ	338% increase
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... as well as energy and emissions measures

ENERGY				
BENCHMARK	2°C PATHWAYS		1.5°C PATHWAY	
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Share of electricity and zero-emissions fuels in final energy use	31-32%	2020 = 23%	35%	2020 = 23%
Share of electricity in total energy	24%	2020 = 20%	27%	2020 = 20%
Residential building energy intensity ⁵		44-48% decrease (improvement)		49% decrease (improvement)
Commercial building energy intensity ⁶		16-25% decrease (improvement)		28% decrease (improvement)
Share of electricity in residential buildings	76-78%	2020 = 49%	75% ⁷	2020 = 49%
Share of electricity and zero-emissions fuels in transport energy	9-11%	2020 = 3%	16%	2020 = 3%
Share of electricity and zero-emissions fuels in road energy use	5-9%	2020 = 2%	17%	2020 = 2%
Fossil fuel use in non-road transport	226-233 PJ	5-8% decrease	203 PJ	17% decrease
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Share of electricity and zero-emissions fuels in total energy use	30-32%	2020 = 25%	33%	2020 = 25%

EMISSIONS				
BENCHMARK	2°C PATHWAYS		1.5°C PATHWAY	
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Net annual emissions	291-322 MtCO ₂ e	37-43% decrease ¹	159 MtCO ₂ e	69% decrease ²
Electricity emissions	62-65 MtCO ₂ e	63-64% decrease	46 MtCO ₂ e	73% decrease
Buildings emissions	36-37 MtCO ₂ e	63-64% decrease	27 MtCO ₂ e	73% decrease
Total transport emissions	108-115 MtCO ₂ e	2-9% increase ³	93 MtCO ₂ e	12% decrease
+ Road transport emissions	89-95 MtCO ₂ e	5-12% increase ⁴	76 MtCO ₂ e	11% decrease
+ Other transport emissions	18.8-19.5 MtCO ₂ e	5-8% decrease	17 MtCO ₂ e	16% decrease
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