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'The art and science of managing Woods and Forests'

(UK Forestry Standard, 2017)















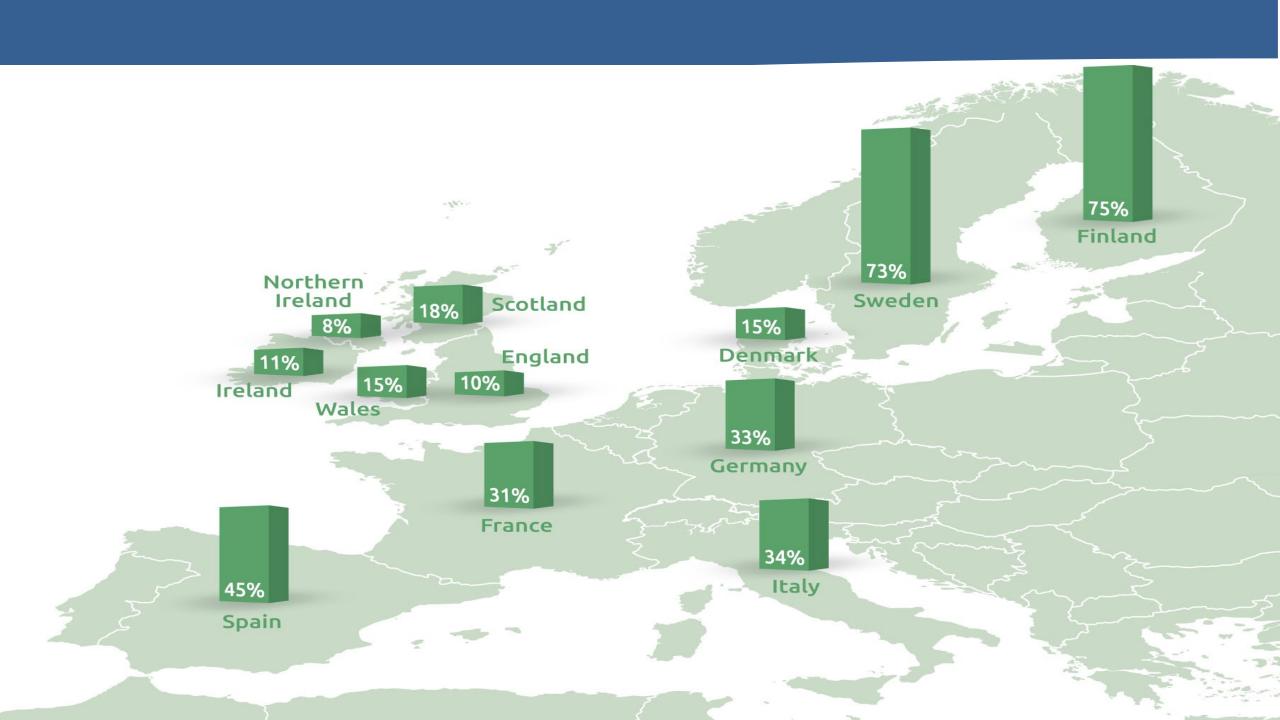














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(Scotland's Forestry Strategy, 2019)





















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PRIORITIES

» Improving efficiency and productivity, and developing markets

» Engaging more people, communities and businesses in the creation, management and use of forests and woodlands

» Ensuring forestsand woodlands aresustainably managed

Increasing the adaptability and resilience of forests and woodlands

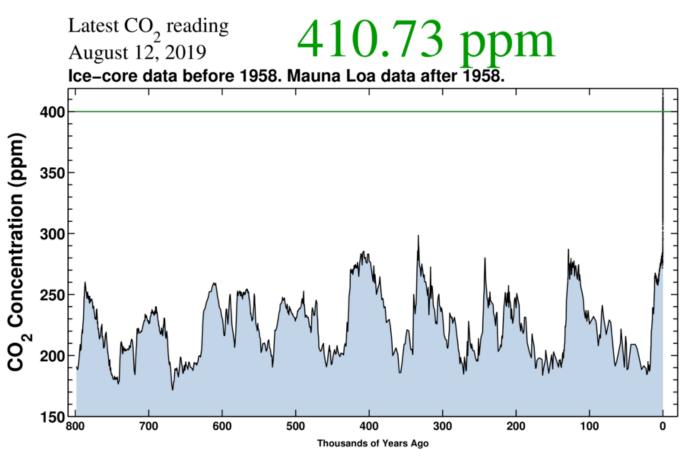
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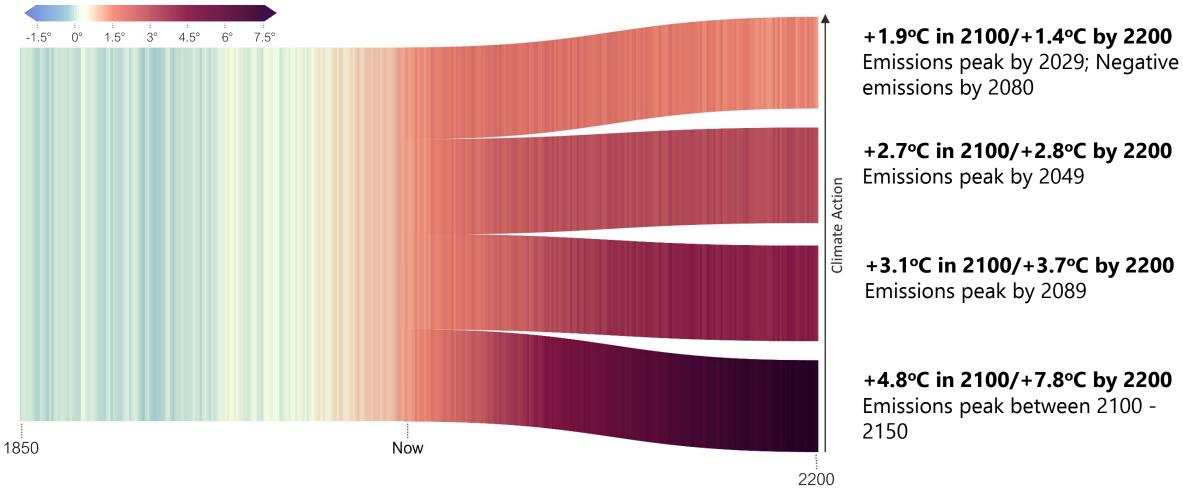
CO₂ Concentration – 800,000 years



Source: Scripps Institution of Oceonography



The climate choice

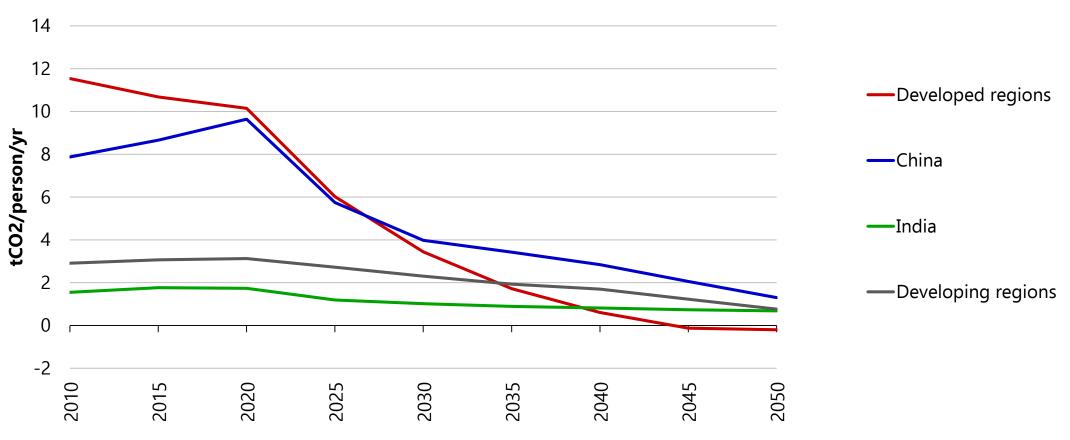


Source: Projections based on CMIP5 RCP scenarios, from warningstripes.com



Science and international context

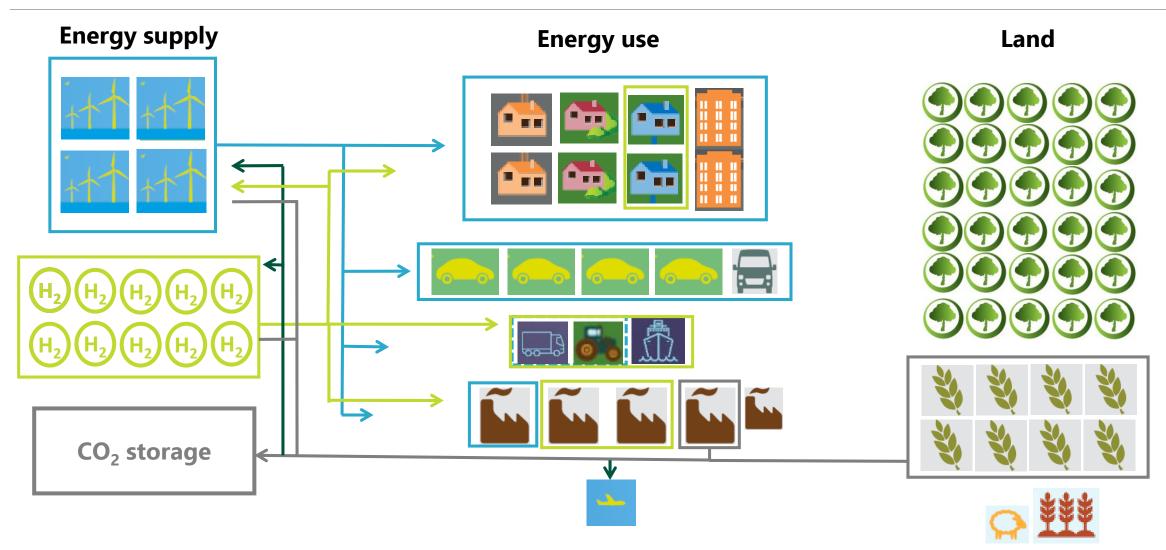
Global emissions pathways – role of each regions

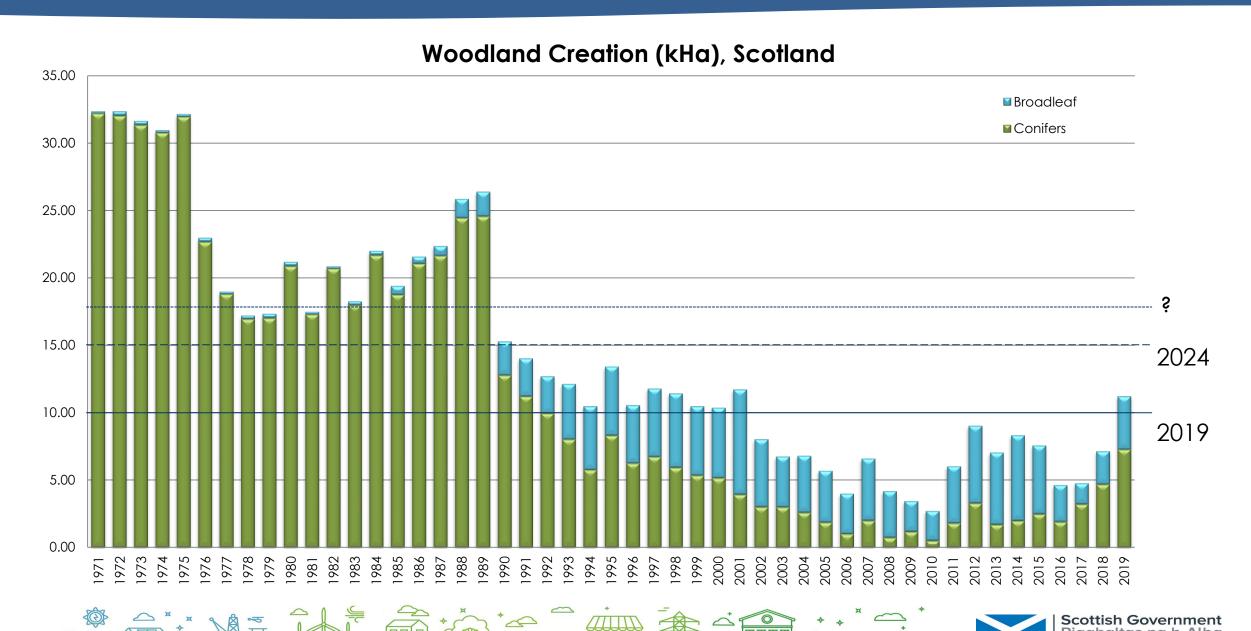


Source: Huppmann, D. et al. (2018) A new scenario resource for integrated 1.5°C research.



How UK net-zero scenarios can be delivered



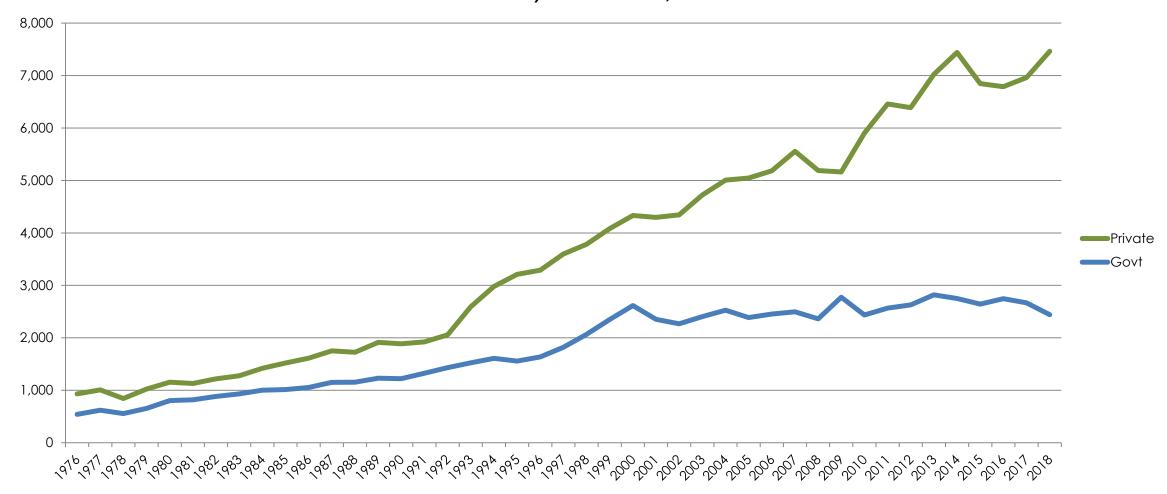


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Scottish roundwood removals ('000 green tonnes)

Forestry Commission, 2019

























"It could be the eternal project of mankind, to learn what forests have figured out."

'The Overstory', Richard Powers

























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