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## Global Carbon Budget 2022

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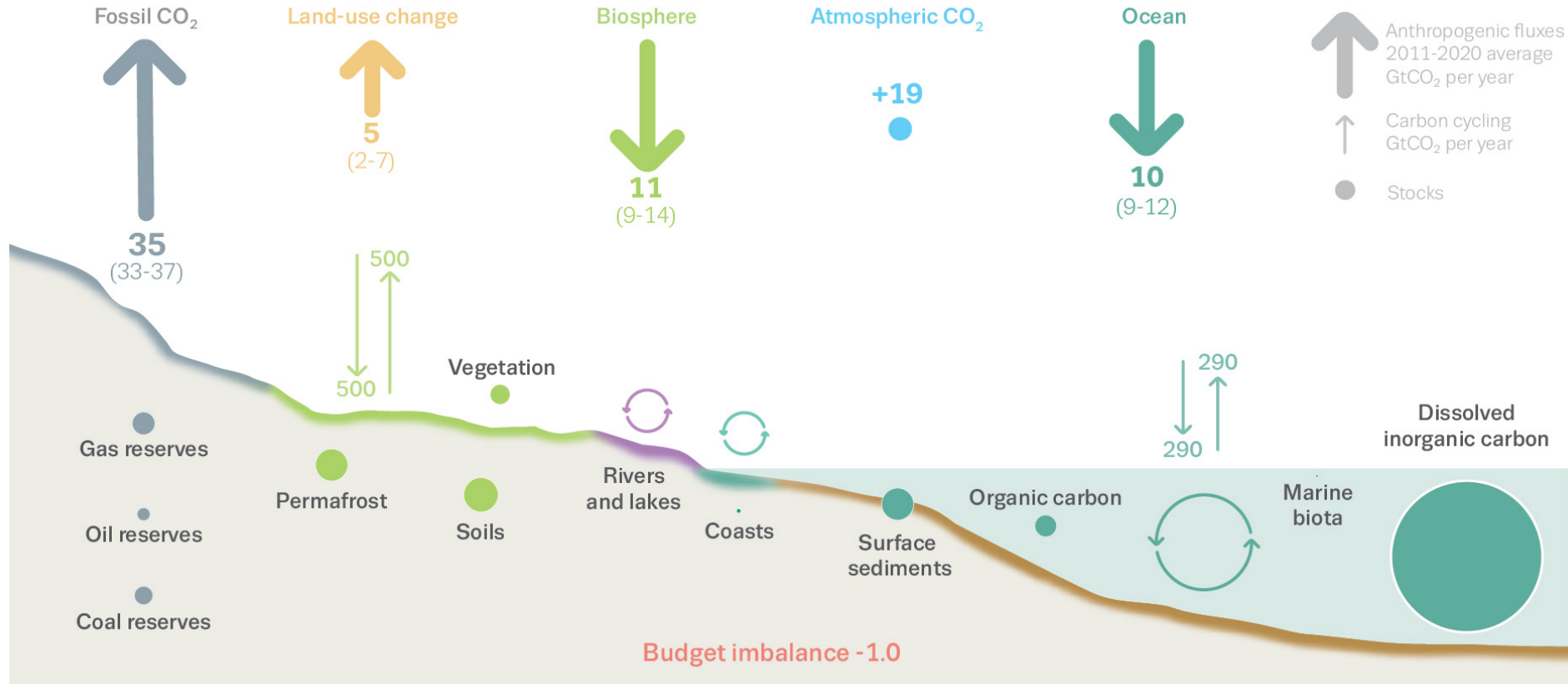
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# Anthropogenic perturbation of the global carbon cycle

global annual average for the decade 2012–2021 (GtCO<sub>2</sub>/yr)



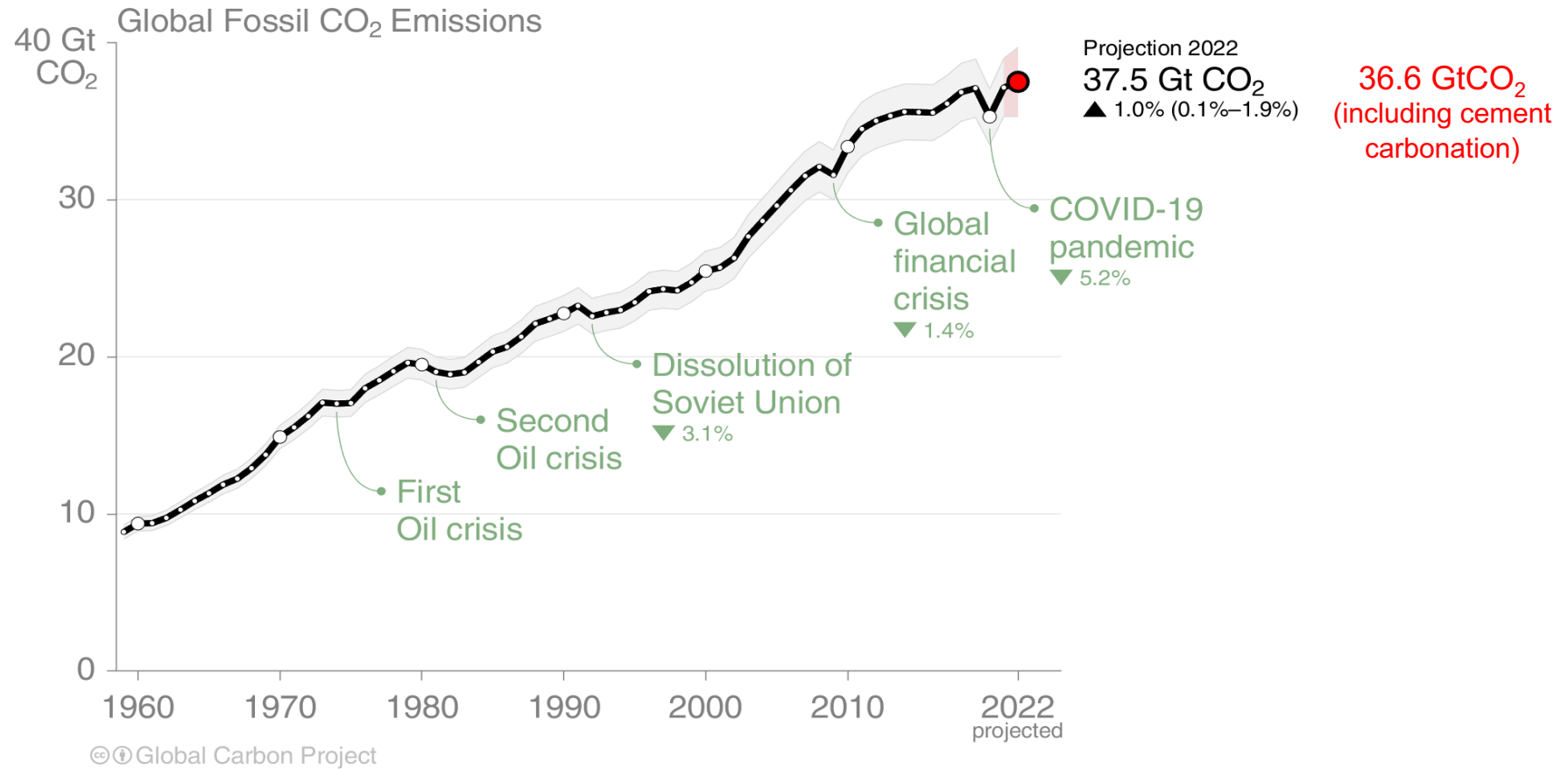
The budget imbalance is the difference between the estimated emissions and sinks.

Source: [NOAA-ESRL](#); [Friedlingstein et al 2022](#); [Canadell et al 2021 \(IPCC AR6 WG1 Chapter 5\)](#); [Global Carbon Project 2022](#)

# Global Fossil CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions

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Emissions are set to grow 1% [0.1 to 1.9%] in 2022.  
 The rate of increase has slowed from 3% per year in the 2000s to about 0.5% per year in the past decade.

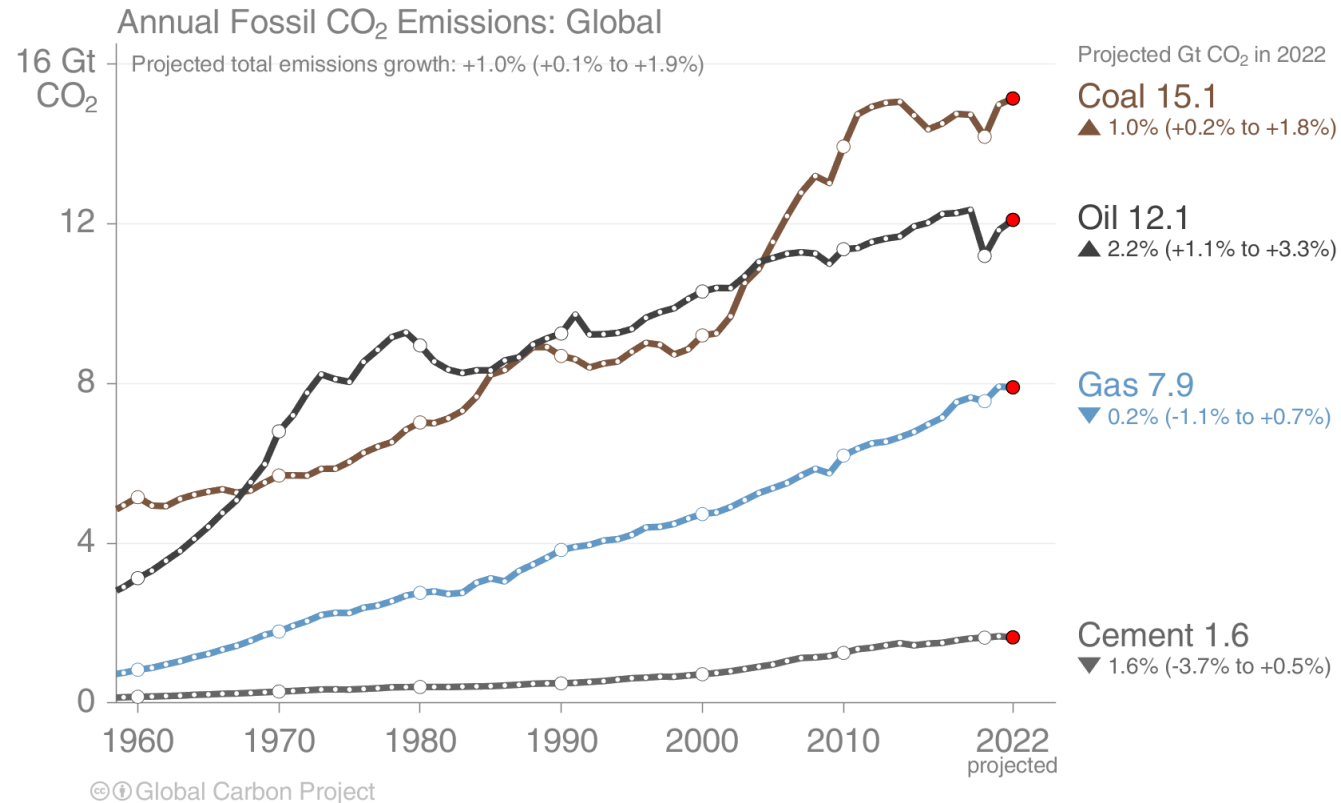


The 2022 projection is based on preliminary monthly data and modelling  
 When including cement carbonation, projected 2022 fossil emissions reach 36.6 GtCO<sub>2</sub>

Source: [Friedlingstein et al 2022](#); [Global Carbon Project 2022](#)

# Fossil CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions by source

Global fossil CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from coal are expected to rise & may lead to a new global peak.  
 Emissions from oil expected to grow mainly from international aviation, but still remain below 2019 levels.  
 Emissions from gas are set for an small decline in 2022.

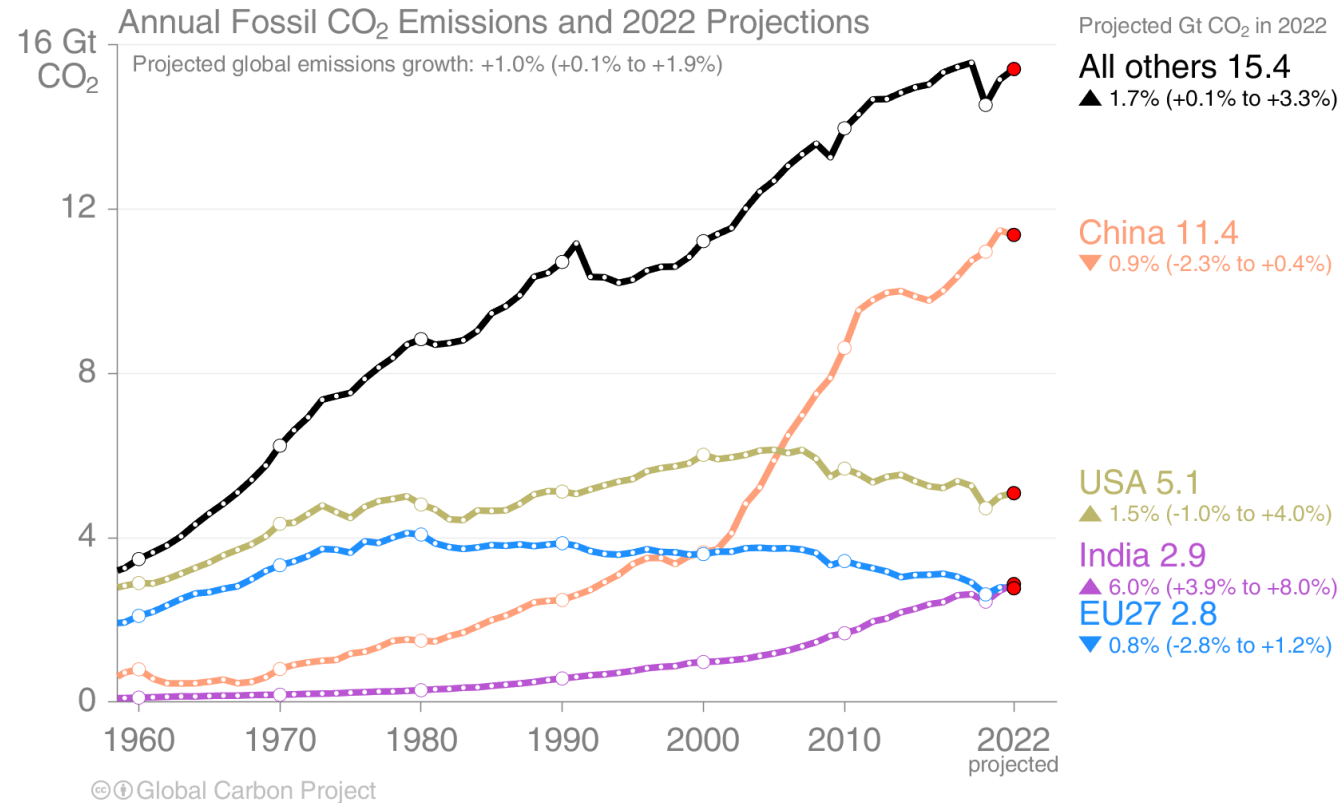


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# Fossil CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions by country

In 2022 the largest increases are in India, Rest of World (primarily aviation), and the USA.  
Emissions are projected to decline in China and the EU27  
Fossil CO<sub>2</sub> emissions decreased in 24 countries during the past decade

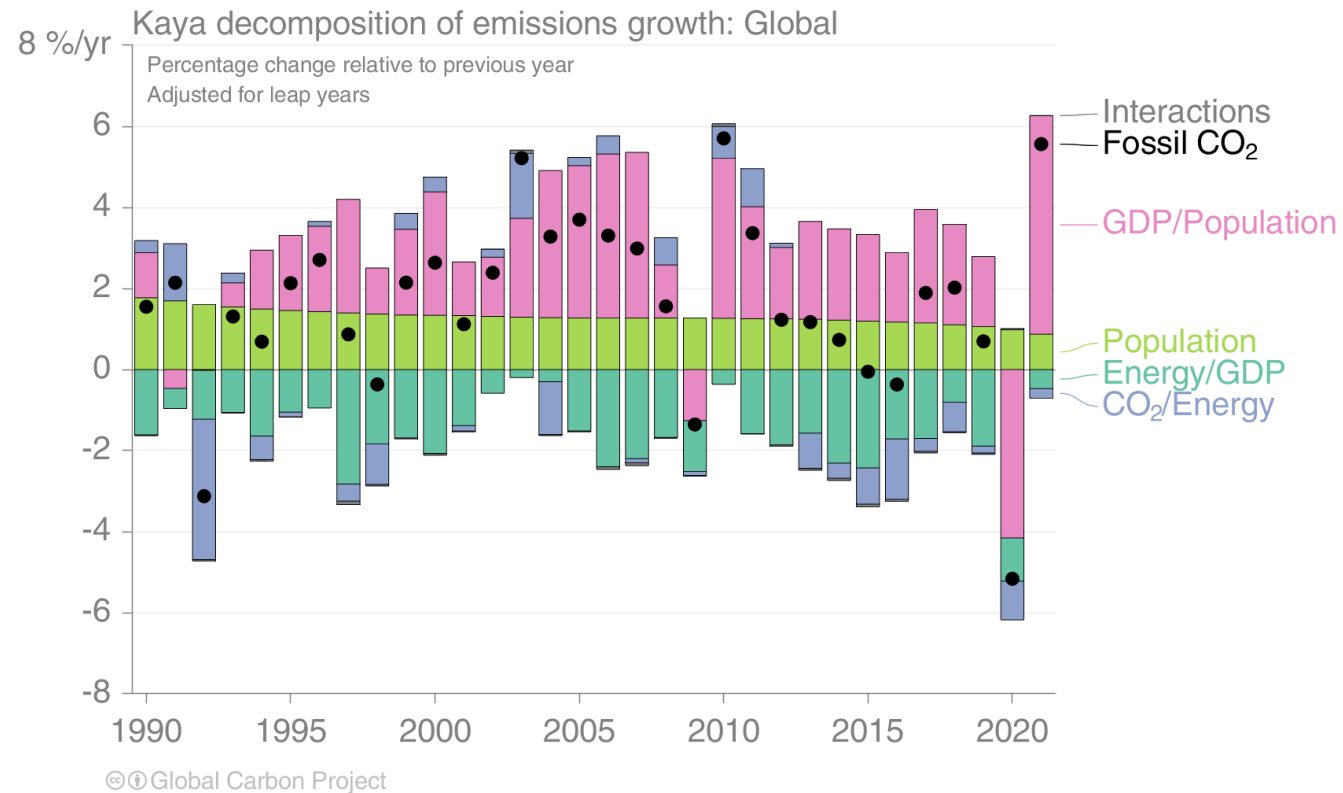


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# Fossil CO<sub>2</sub> emissions — Kaya decomposition to 2021

Globally: Decarbonisation (decrease in CO<sub>2</sub>/energy) and declines in energy per GDP are largely responsible for the reduced growth rate in emissions over the last decade

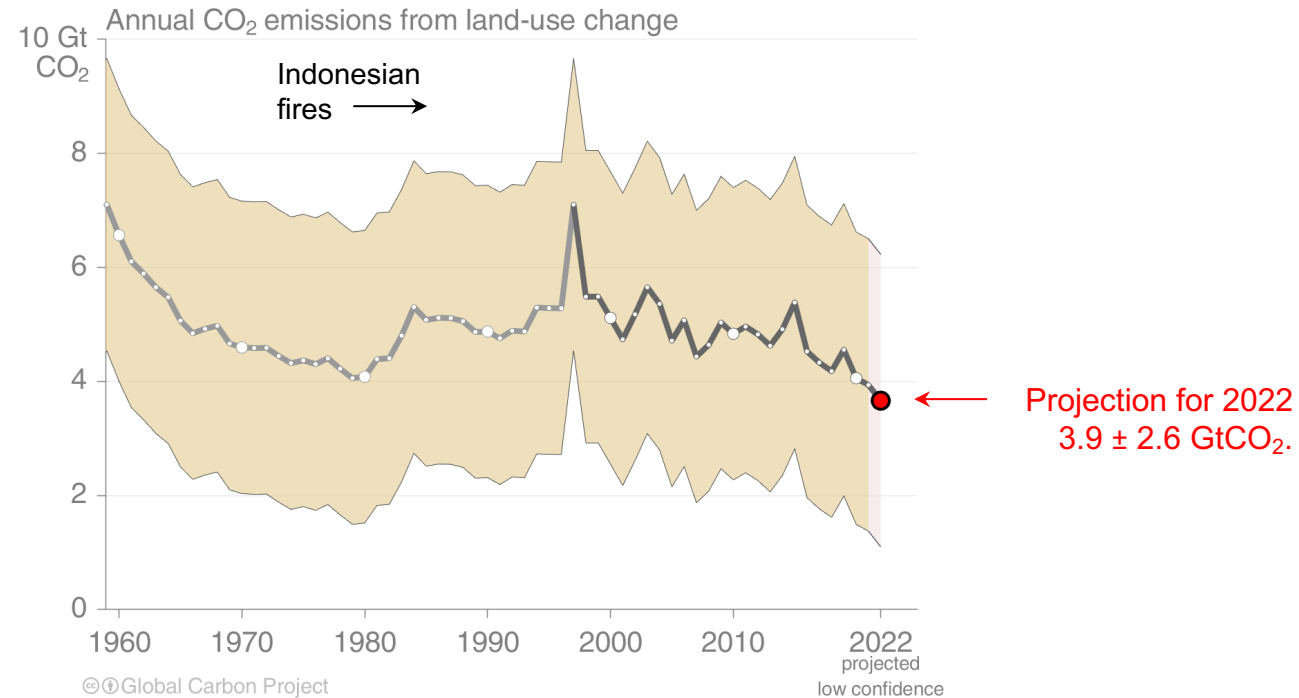




# Land-use Change Emissions

# Land-use change CO<sub>2</sub> emissions

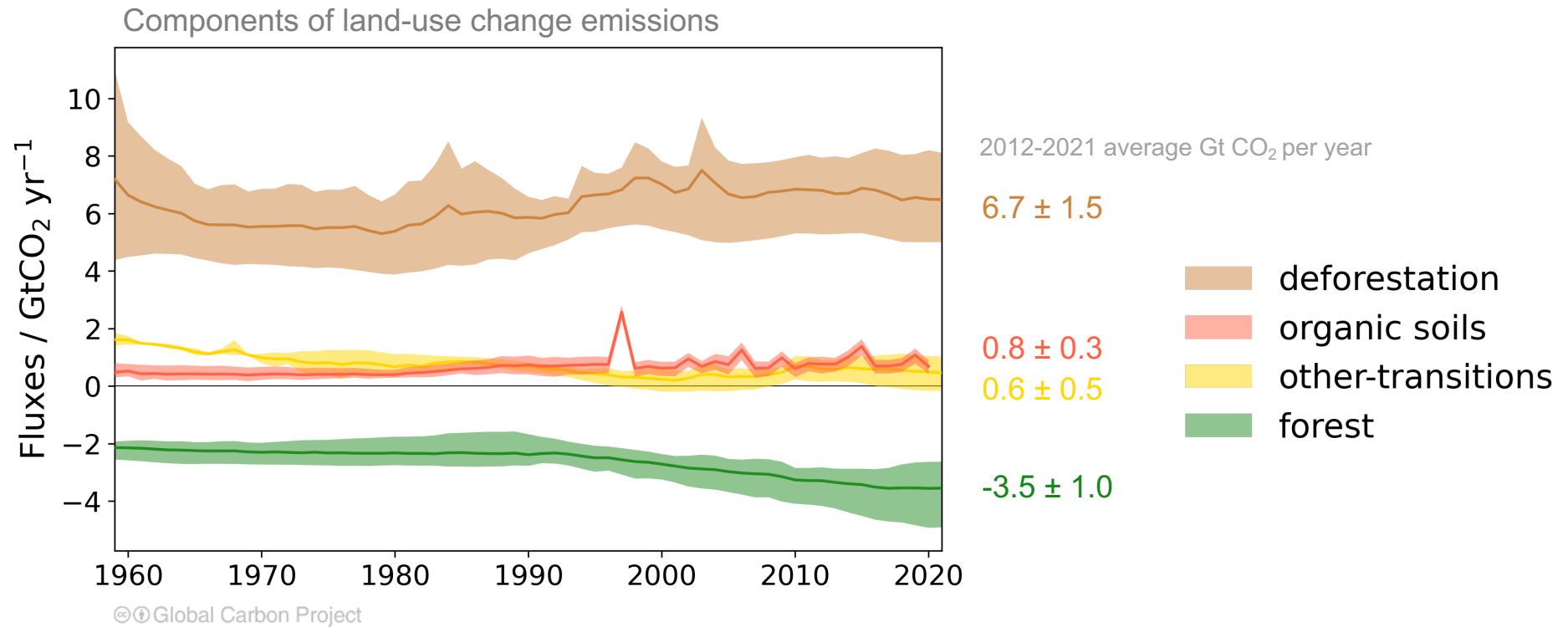
Land-use change emissions are projected to be 3.9 GtCO<sub>2</sub> in 2022, ten times less than fossil emissions. There is a small but uncertain decline in the past two decades.



Estimates from three bookkeeping models  
 Source: [Friedlingstein et al 2022](#); [Global Carbon Project 2022](#)

# Drivers of land-use change CO<sub>2</sub> emissions

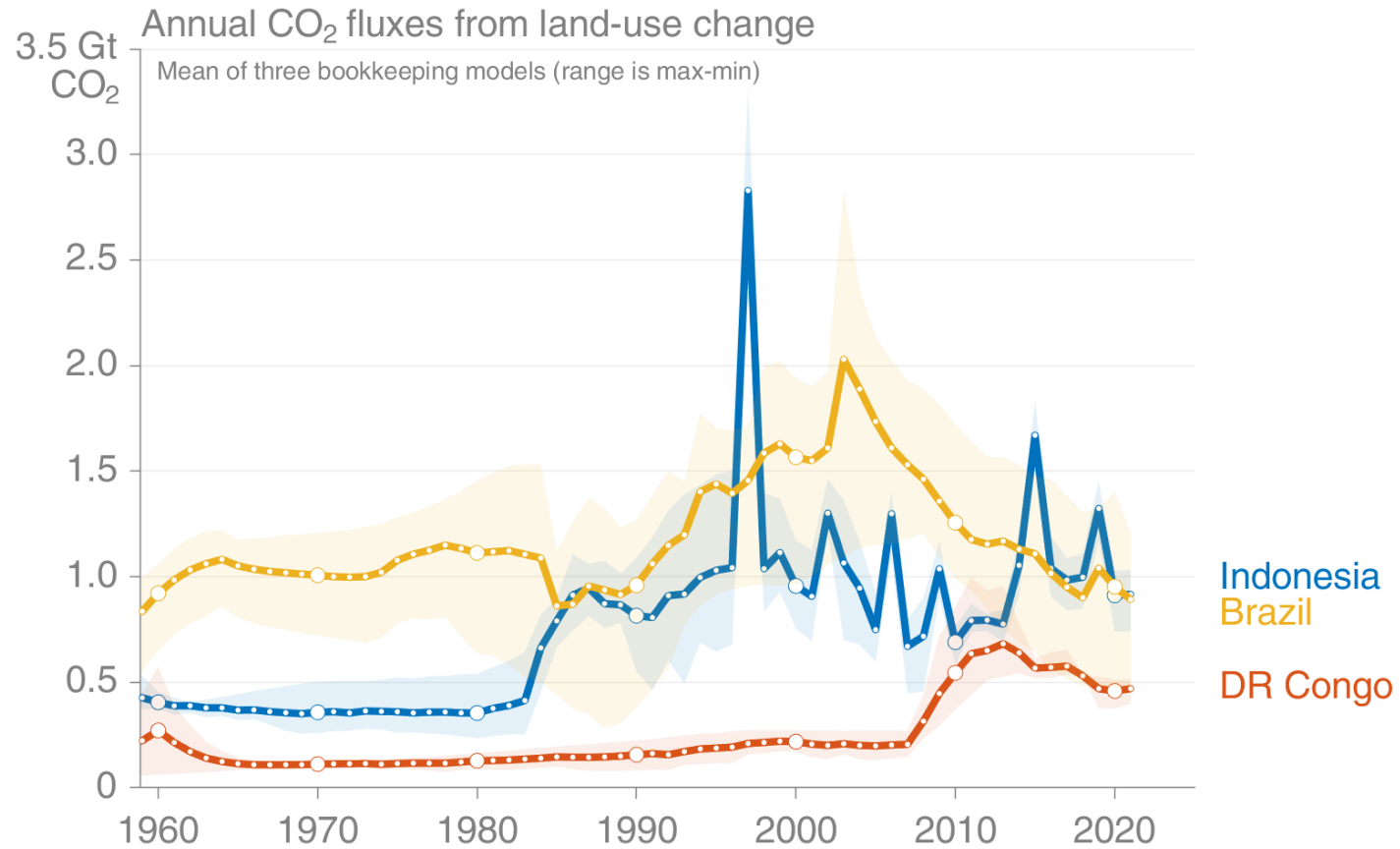
Deforestation, the main driver of land-use emissions, remains high in the last decade. Removals through re/afforestation counterbalance approximately half the deforestation emissions.



Estimates from three bookkeeping models  
 Source: [Friedlingstein et al 2022](#); [Global Carbon Project 2022](#)

# Land-use change CO<sub>2</sub> emissions

Indonesia, Brazil, the Democratic Republic of the Congo combined contribute 58% of the global total land-use change CO<sub>2</sub> emissions.



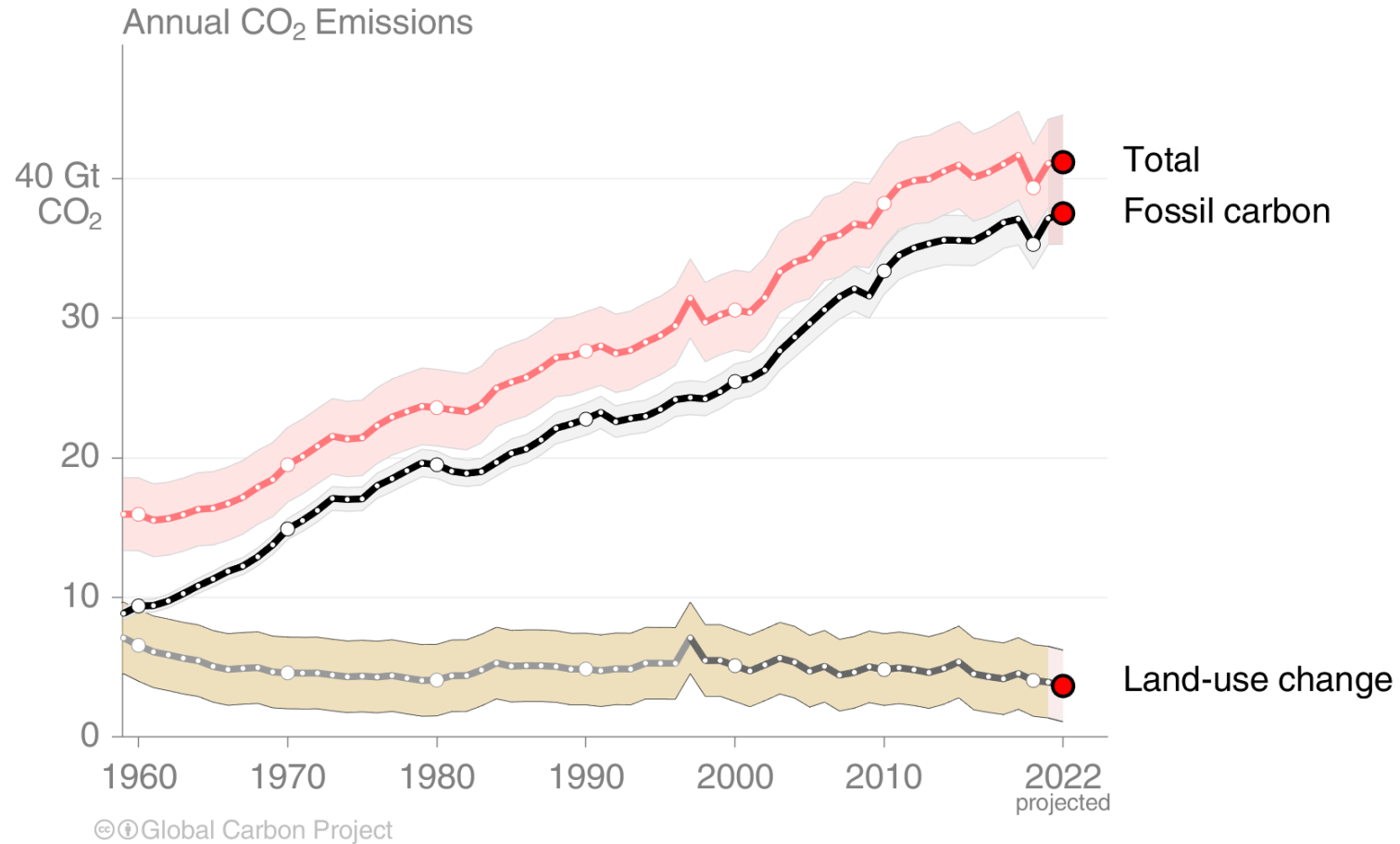
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The peak in Indonesia in 1997 was the Indonesian peat fires  
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# Total global CO<sub>2</sub> emissions

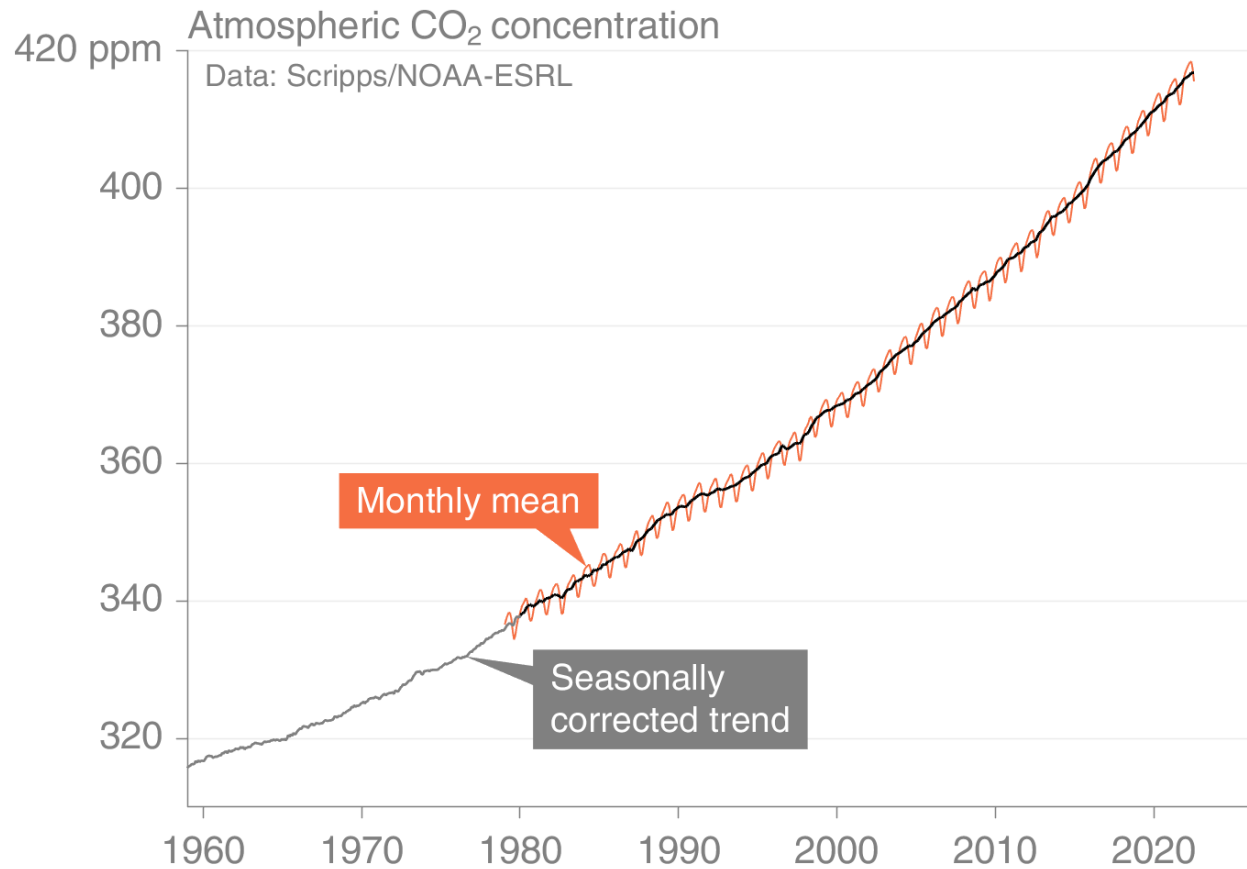
Total global CO<sub>2</sub> emissions of **40.6** are projected for 2022.  
Emissions remain high but approximately flat since 2015, but this trend is uncertain.



# Closing the Global Carbon Budget

# Atmospheric CO<sub>2</sub> concentration

The global CO<sub>2</sub> concentration increased from ~277 ppm in 1750 to 417.2 ppm in 2022 (up 51%)



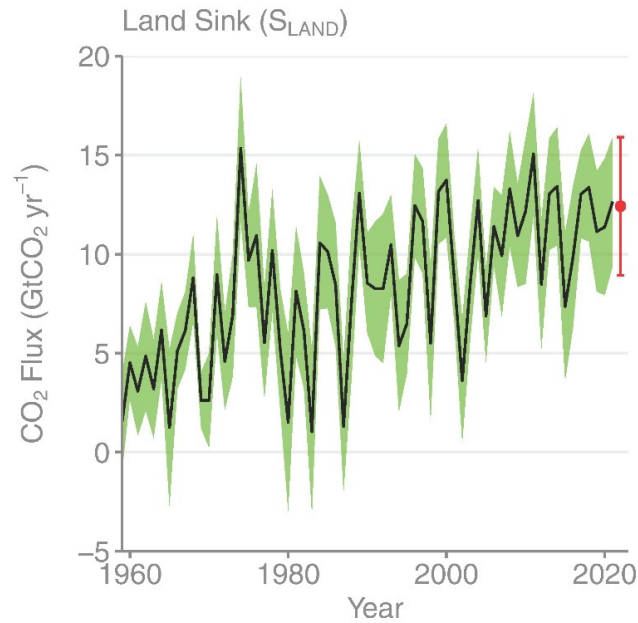
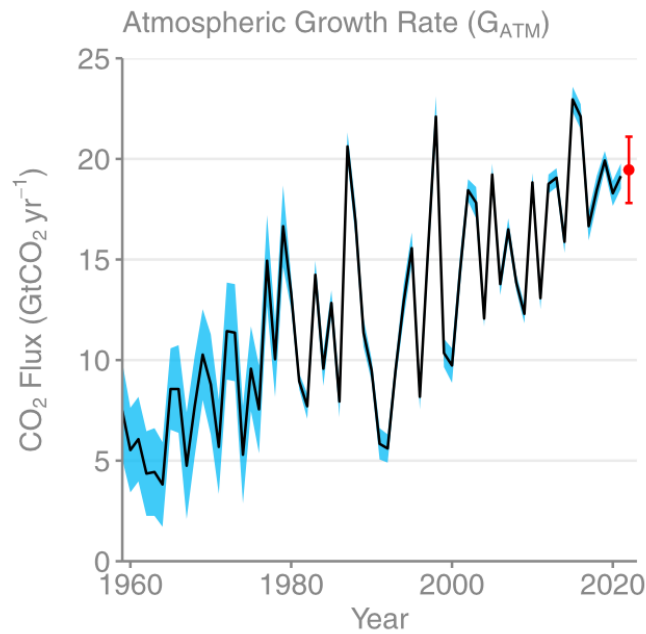
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Globally averaged surface atmospheric CO<sub>2</sub> concentration. Data from: NOAA-ESRL after 1980; the Scripps Institution of Oceanography before 1980

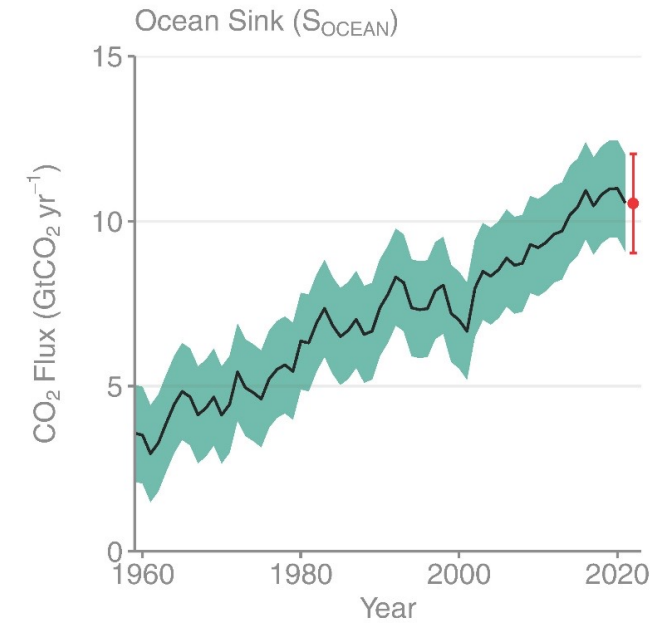
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# Changes in the partitioning of the emissions over time

The ocean and land sinks have continued to grow with increasing atmospheric CO<sub>2</sub> and to take up around half of the emissions. Climate change is already reducing these growths by about 4% (ocean sink) and 17% (land sink).



29% of total emissions



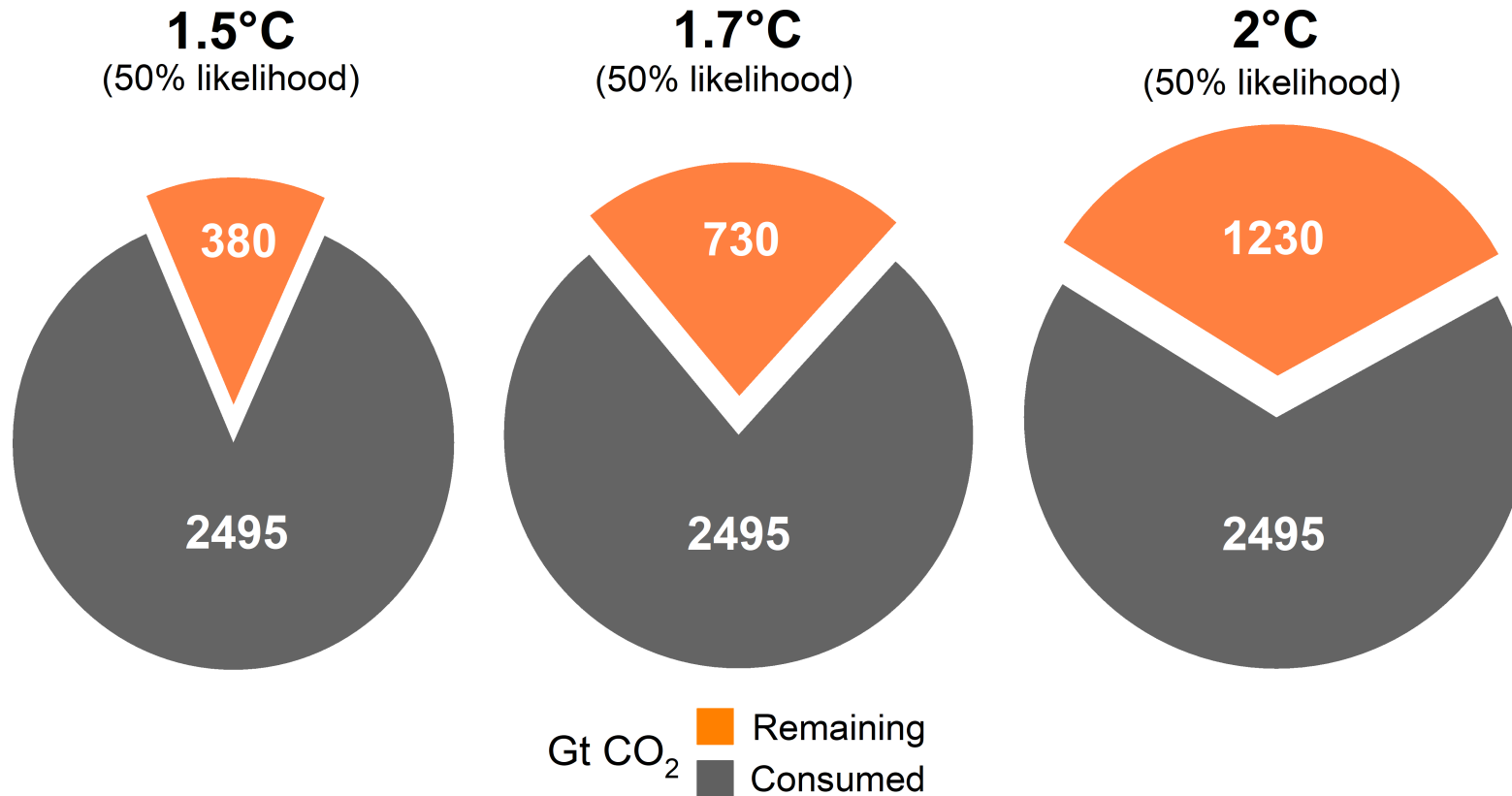
26% of total emissions



# Tracking progress towards mitigation targets

# Remaining carbon budget

The remaining carbon budget for a 50% likelihood to limit global warming to 1.5°C , 1.7°C and 2°C has reduced to an equivalent of 9, 18 and 30 years from 2023 (at 2022 emissions levels).  
 2495 GtCO<sub>2</sub> have been emitted since 1850.

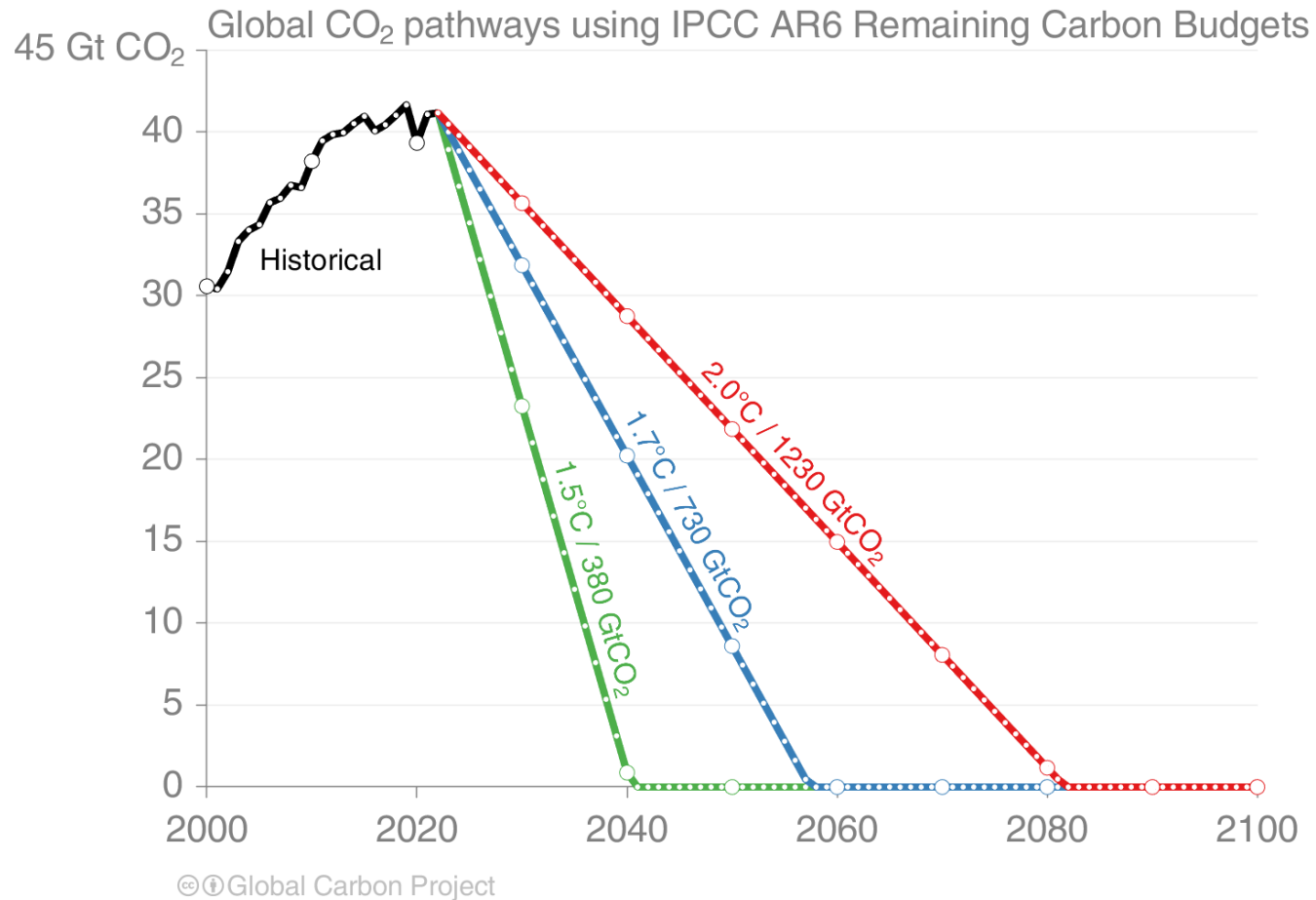


The remaining carbon budgets are updated from IPCC AR6 WG1 by removing additional historical emissions since 1 January 2020. Quantities are subject to additional uncertainties e.g., future mitigation choices of non-CO<sub>2</sub> emissions.

Source: IPCC AR6 WG1; [Friedlingstein et al 2022](#); [Global Carbon Budget 2022](#)

# Remaining carbon budget

Global CO<sub>2</sub> emissions must reach net zero to limit global warming.  
 Reaching net zero CO<sub>2</sub> emissions by 2050 would require a decrease of about 1.4 GtCO<sub>2</sub> each year, comparable to the COVID-related 2020 fall.



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