

Vice: Greenland (Denmark) is Melting 3:30-8:25



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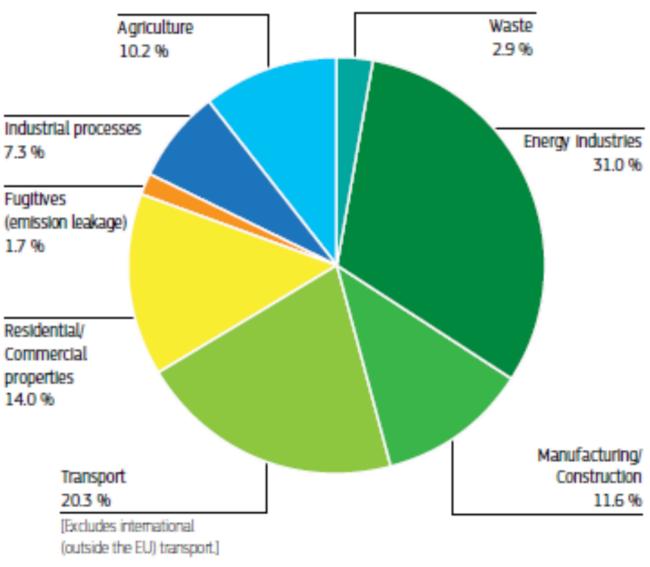
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### WHERE DOES THE GREENHOUSE GAS COME FROM?

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Bonus: Which country has highest rate of GHG per capita?

Total greenhouse gas emissions by sector in the 27 EU countries, 2011

## European countries affected by rising sea level



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-Netherlands -Germany

-UK -France

-Italy -Denmark

-Norway -Ireland

### **EU's Scientific Stance**

- 97% of world's scientists believe climate change is real and humans have created the problem
- EU wants to cap global warming temperatures at 2% (pre-industrial levels)
- EU works with and supports the findings of the UN-ICC (Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change UN)

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# **EU Domestic Policies**

### Main Goals

- Investing in green/innovative technologies
- Invest in road/air transport
- Capture industrial emissions
- Raising awareness
- Help/Fund developing countries

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- 2020- Package (Short vision)
- 2030- Framework (Middle Goals)
- 2050- Road map (Long run)

## **EU Targets**

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- **2020**: 20-20-20
  - 20% reduction in green house gas emissions from 1990 (Kyoto slide)
  - 20% raise in the share of EU energy consumption produced from renewable energy
  - 20% improvement in EU energy efficiency

### • 2030

- 40% reduction in GHG gas compared to 1990
- Increasing renewable energy at 27% (Binding for member states)
- New Governance framework proposed- transparency from the EU member state level

### 2050

- Grants to new researchers and developers of new technologies
- Invest \$270 billion (1.5GDP) on average in green energy over next 30 years
- EU would save \$270 billion in oil costs per year cutting emissions of 80%-95% of 1990 levels by 2050
- Use 30% less energy in 2050 compared to 2005