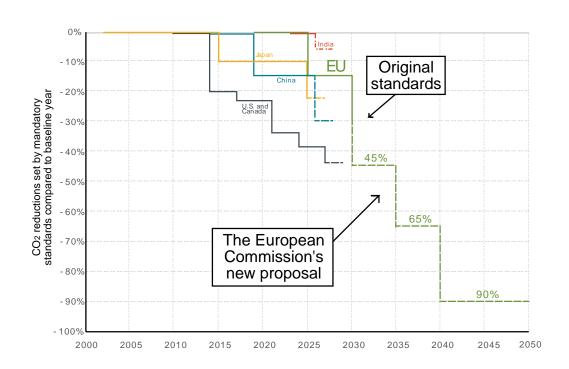
An anlysis of Europe's CO₂ standards proposal for trucks and buses

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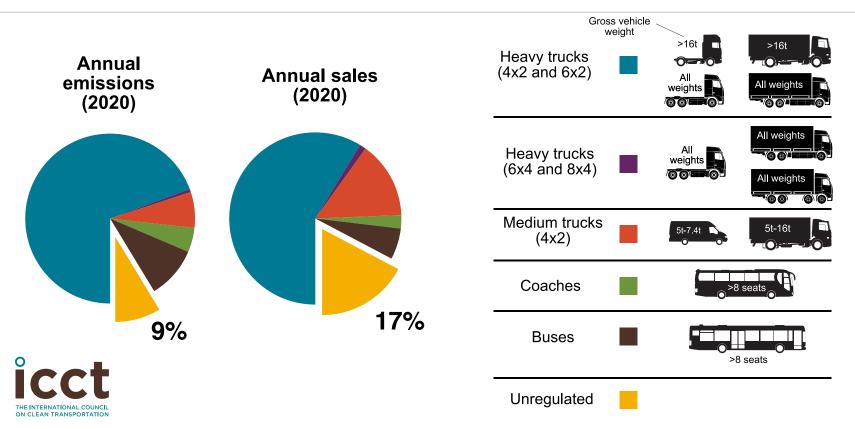


Europe's new heavy-duty CO₂ standards

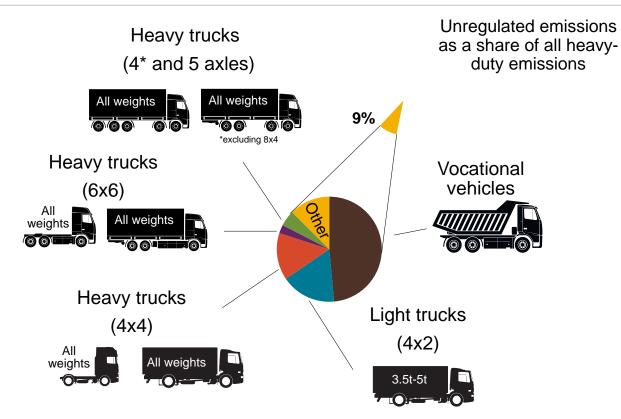




9% of HDV emissions remain uncovered

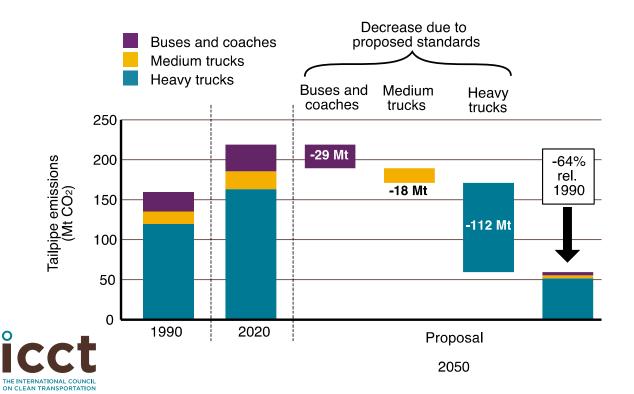


Vocational vehicles make up half of all unregulated emissions

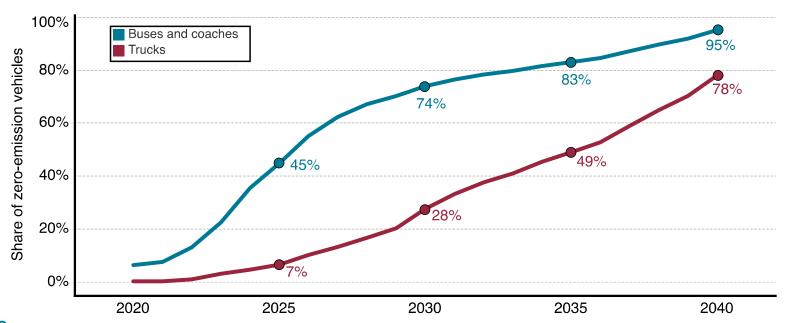




1.8 billion tons of CO₂ emissions avoided

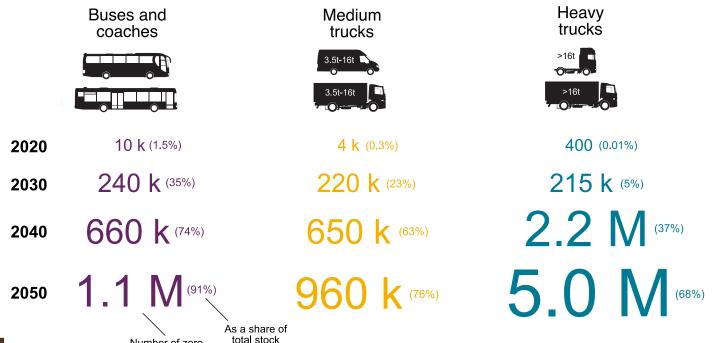


Zero-emission shares through 2040 under proposal





Rapid rise in stock of ZE-HDVs under proposal



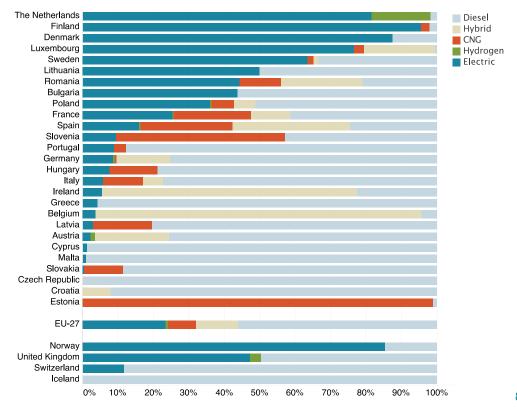


Number of zeroemission vehicles on the road

Zero-emission urban buses have reached mass adoption in several Member States

- Nearly 100% zeroemission urban bus sales in the Netherlands and Finland in 2022
- More than 50% share in Denmark, Luxembourg, Sweden, and Lithuania





Changes in definition: Zero-emission vehicles

Currently:



Proposal:

Trucks

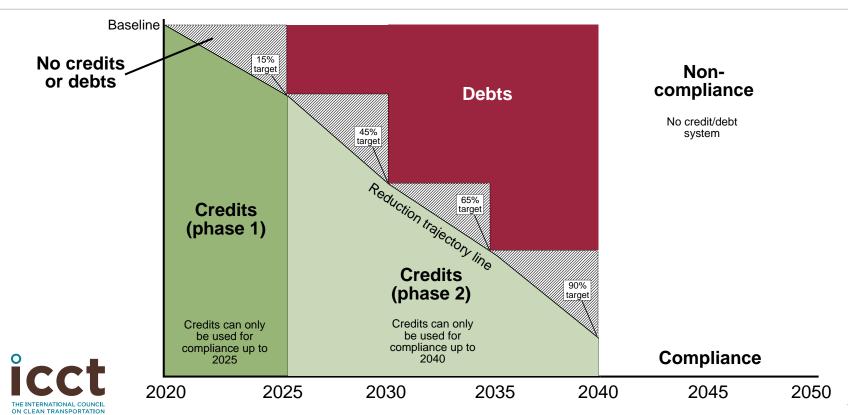
≤ 5gCO₂/tkm
(10% of the emissions of a standard tractor-trailer)

Buses and coaches

≤ 5gCO₂/pkm
(20-30% of the emissions of a bus/coach)



Flexibilities – The credit and debt system



A good standard, with room for improvement

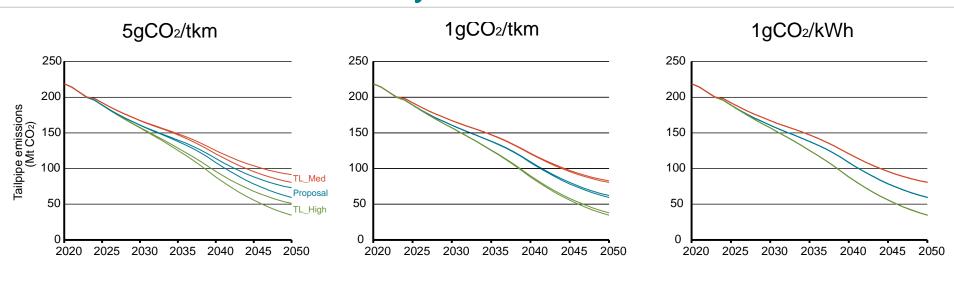
- 1. The targets do not align with the European Climate Law
- 2. The scope can be extended further
- 3. The new threshold for zero-emission vehicles should be revised
- 4. The credit lifetime should be shortened from 2025



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New definition for zero-emission vehicles increases uncertainty



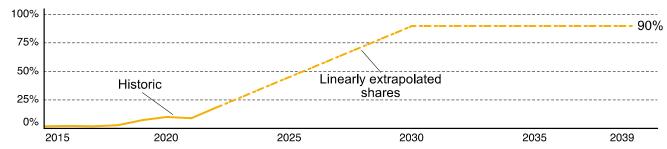


The definition of a zero-emission vehicle has been increased to 5gCO₂/tkm (previously 1gCO₂/kWh)

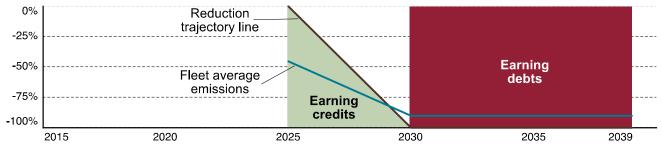
This opens the door to H₂ ICE vehicles which use diesel as a pilot fuel and risks increases cumulative emissions by 100-170 Mt

A long credit life is particularly risky for buses

Share of zero-emission buses

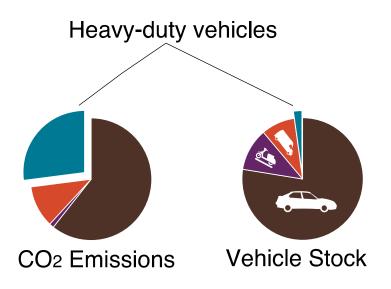


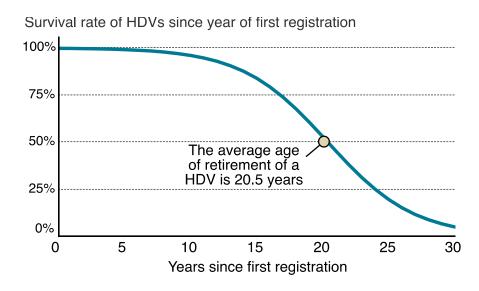
Fleet average emissions relative to the reduction trajectory





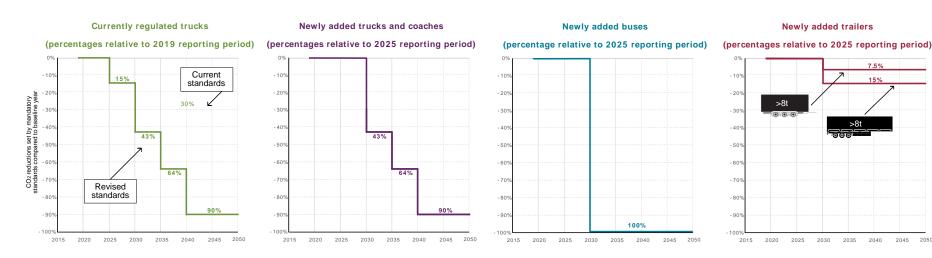
A snapshot of trucks and buses in Europe





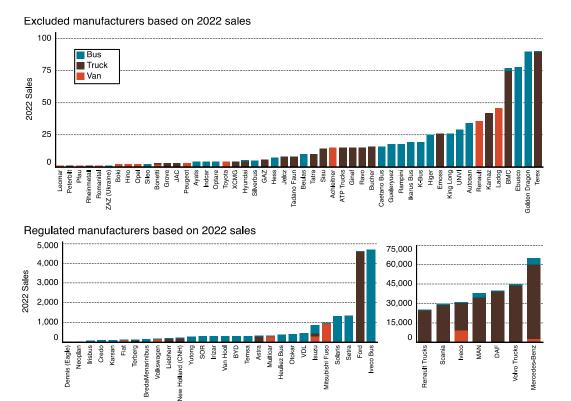


The new targets by vehicle type





The 100 vehicle exemption exclude ~50 manufacturers (but only 0.3% of all HDV sales)





98% reduction is needed to align with Europe's climate commitment

The European Green Deal COM(2019) 640 final:

"To achieve climate neutrality, a 90% reduction in transport emissions is needed by 2050"

Sustainable and Smart Mobility Strategy:

"By 2050 nearly all cars, vans, (...) will be zero emission" COM(2020) 789 final

Fit for 55 Proposal:

"(...) renewable and low carbon fuels should represent between 6% and 9% of the international maritime transport fuel mix in 2030 and between 86% and 88% by 2050" COM(2021) 562 final

"(...) sustainable aviation fuels should account for at least 5% of aviation fuels by 2030 and 63% by 2050" COM(2021) 561 final



