

# THE ECONOMICS OF CLIMATE CHANGE

**HUMBERTO LLAVADOR**

<https://humbertollavador.com>

Universitat Pompeu Fabra

Barcelona School of Economics

Institute of Political Economy and Governance

Center for Studies on Planetary Wellbeing

# classEx



version 3.6.1  
information on classEx  
classEx@school (DE)

class  
**EX**

2. Universitat Pompeu Fabra

3. Humberto Llavador

4. participant

5. Password

6.

classEx was just updated to [version 3.6.1](#). If you have any problems, please write to [classEx@uni-passau.de](mailto:classEx@uni-passau.de) or visit <https://groups.google.com/forum/#!forum/classex>.

We use cookies on this website to improve your user experience. By login in you accept the use of cookies. [More information on the cookie policy.](#)

1. **ACEPTA COOKIES**

<https://classex.uni-passau.de/>

# PESCANDO EN EL LAGO Y LA TRAGEDIA DE LOS COMUNES

El experimento es un ejemplo de la **tragedia de los bienes comunes**

- Elementos:

- El lago es un **bien común**: no se puede excluir a nadie
- Las capturas generan una **externalidad negativa** que las y los pescadores no tienen en cuenta.

Problemas de  
coordinación en la  
explotación  
Nadie se hace cargo

Soberexplotación

Si asignamos la  
propiedad, problemas  
de distribución y  
asignación del uso

# PESCANDO EN EL LAGO Y EL CAMBIO CLIMÁTICO

El experimento es un ejemplo de la **tragedia de los bienes comunes**

- Semejanzas entre el experimento y el cambio climático
- Diferencias entre el experimento y el cambio climático

✓ Las emisiones de gases invernadero generan una **externalidad negativa**

Soberexplotación

✓ La atmósfera es un **bien común**

Problemas de coordinación  
en la explotación  
Nadie se hace cargo

✗ En el cambio climático tratamos con un **bien global**

✗ Los efectos tienen efectos a **muy largo plazo**

Las generaciones futuras no están presentes para expresar su opinión, y las presentes son las que han de tomar las decisiones

Necesidad de instituciones mundiales

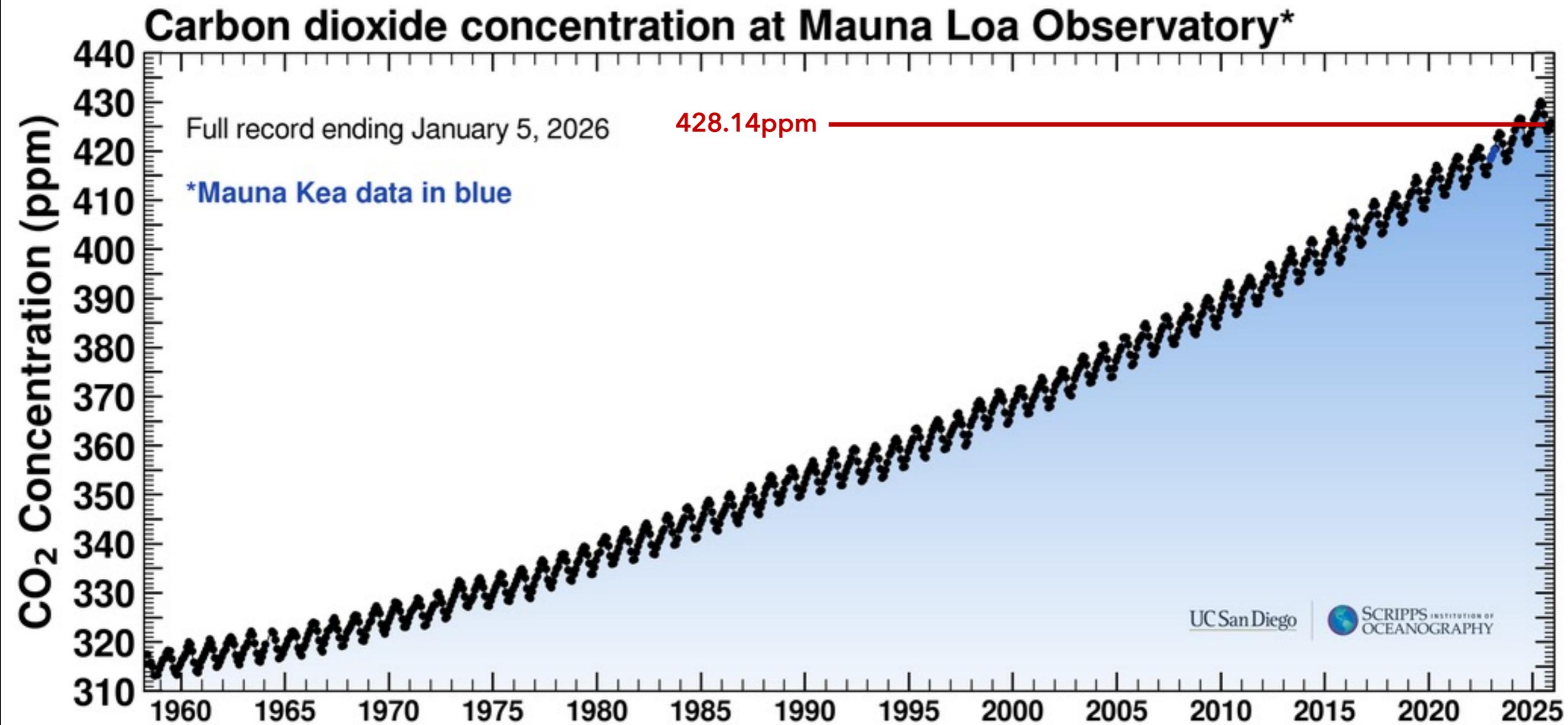
# CAMBIO CLIMÁTICO Y LA ECONOMÍA



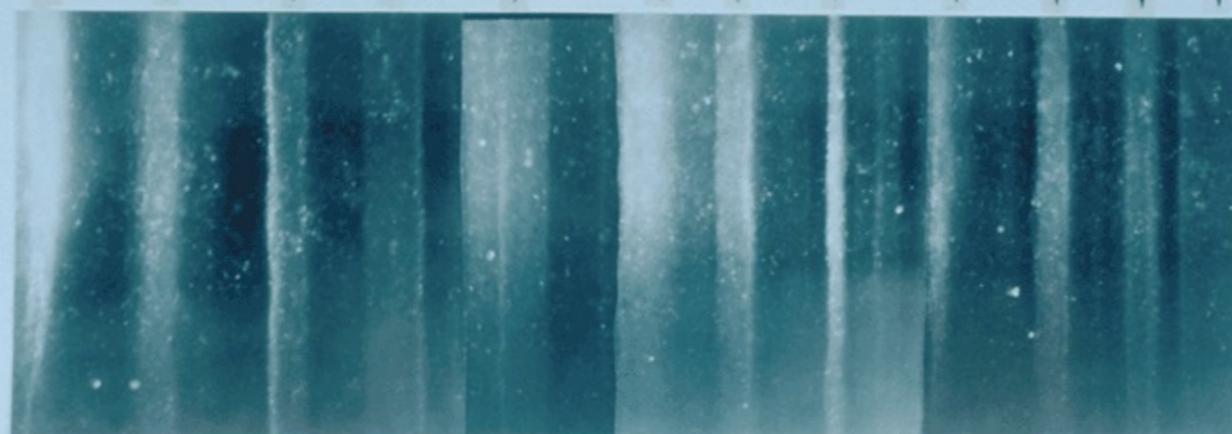
Un cambio en la temperatura media global causado por las emisiones antropogénicas.

# CONCENTRACIÓN DE CO<sub>2</sub> EN LA ATMÓSFERA

THE (CHARLES DAVID) KEELING CURVE – UC-SAN DIEGO



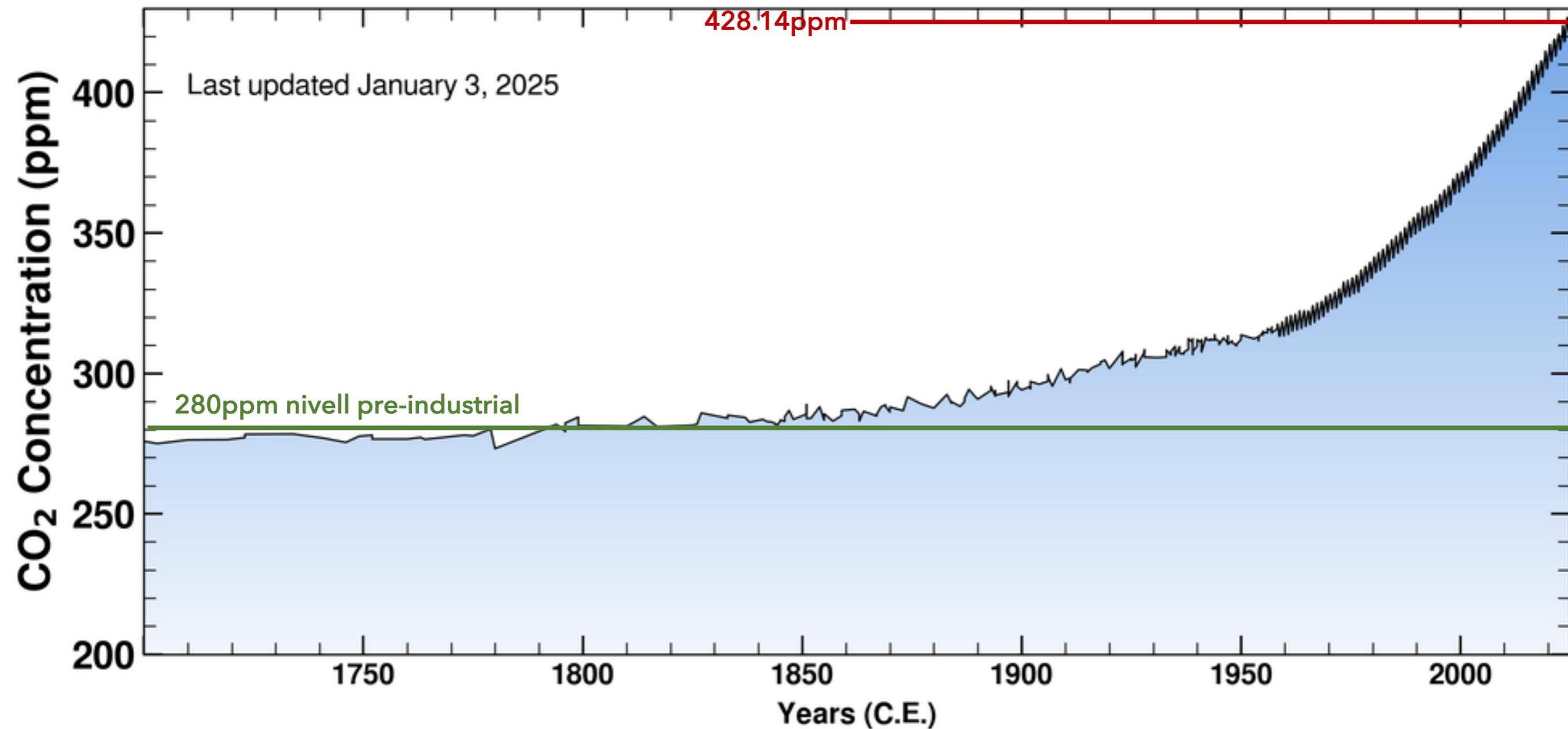
# Medición de la temperatura y de la concentración de CO2 con núcleos de hielo (ice-cores)



19 cm long section of GISP 2 ice core from 1855 m showing annual layer structure illuminated from below by a fiber optic source. Section contains 11 annual layers with summer layers (arrowed) sandwiched between darker winter layers.

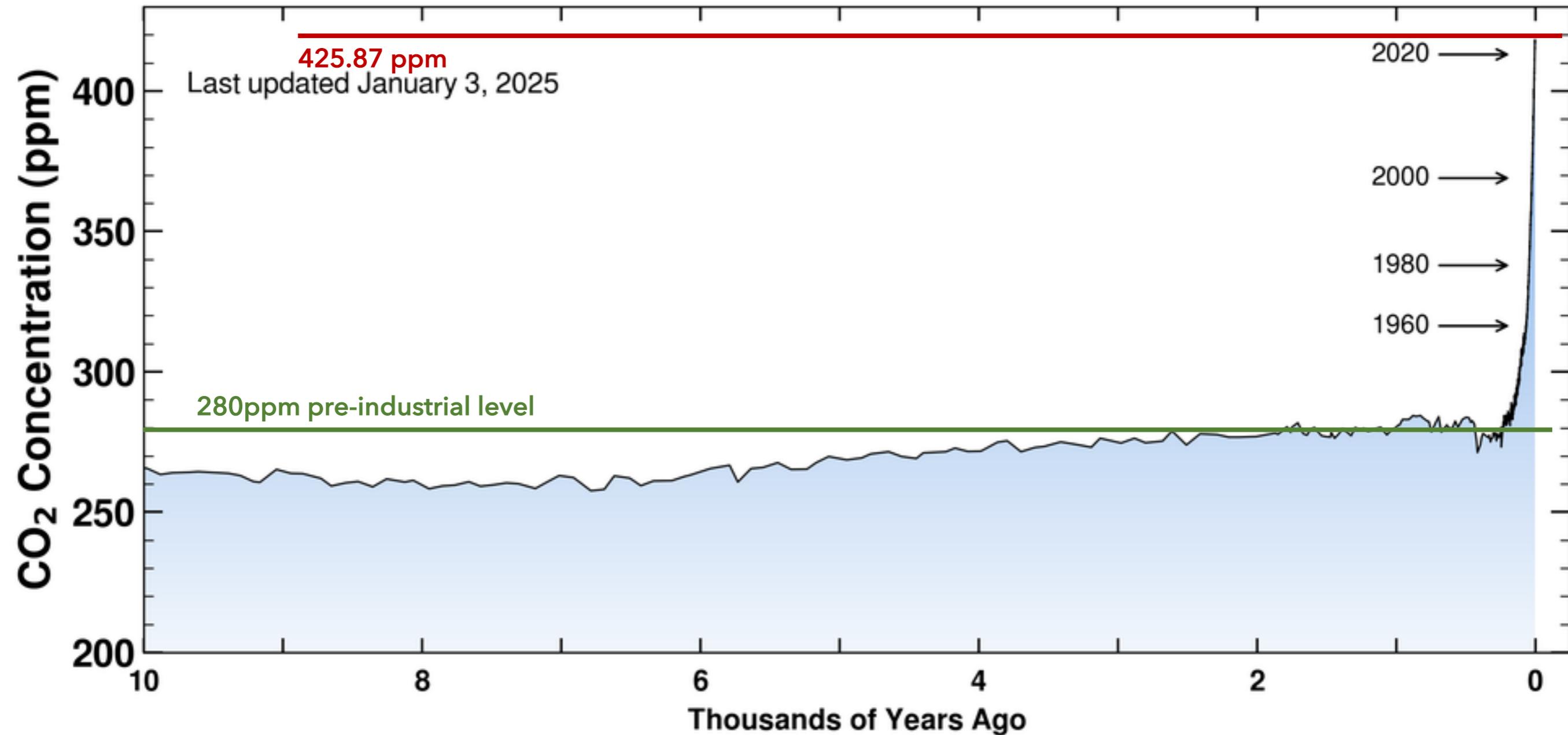
# CONCENTRACIÓ DE CO<sub>2</sub> EN LA ATMÓSFERA

## THE KEELING CURVE + ICE-CORES



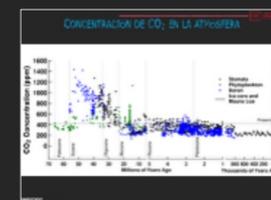
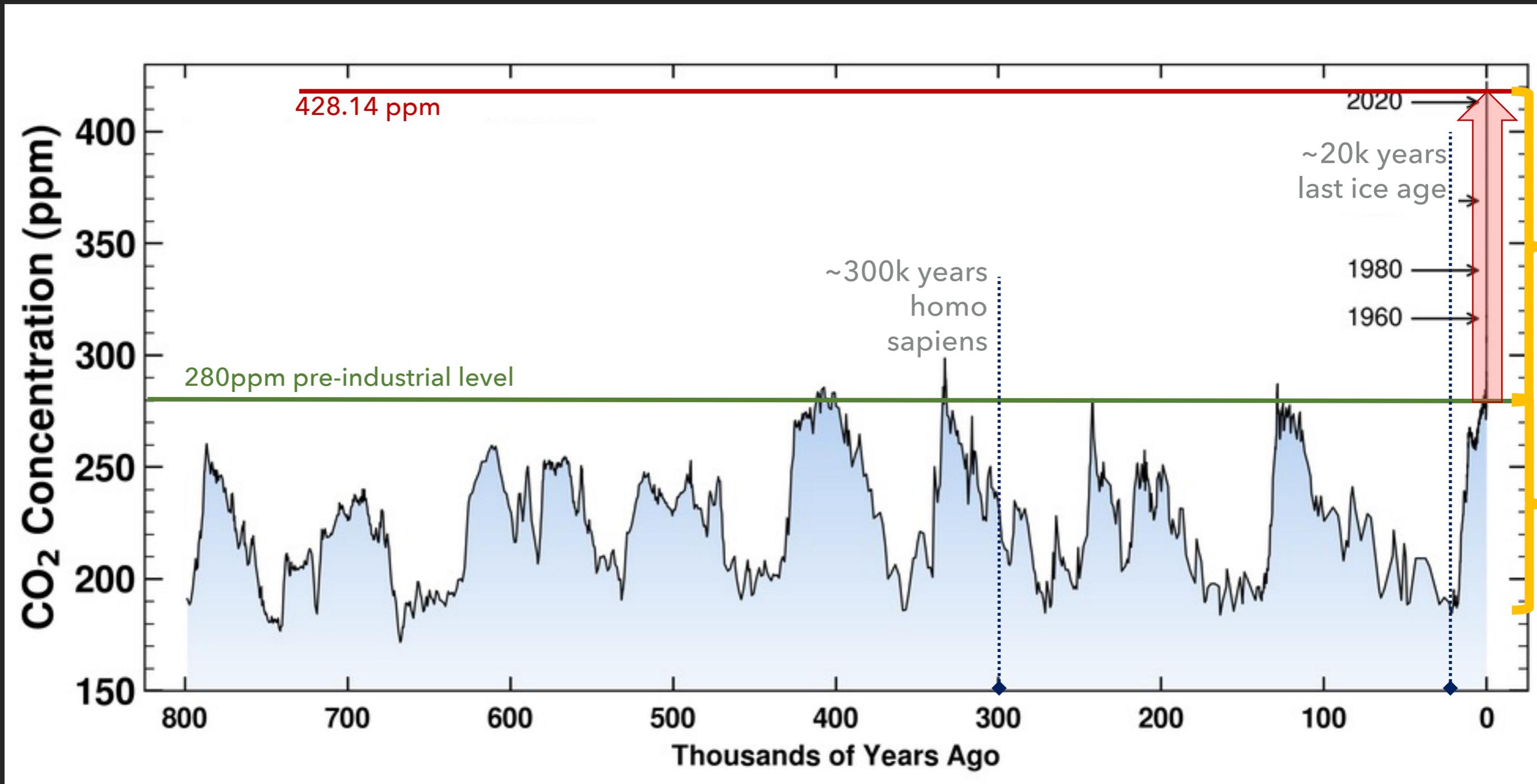
# CONCENTRACIÓN DE CO<sub>2</sub> EN LA ATMÓSFERA

## THE KEELING CURVE + ICE-CORES

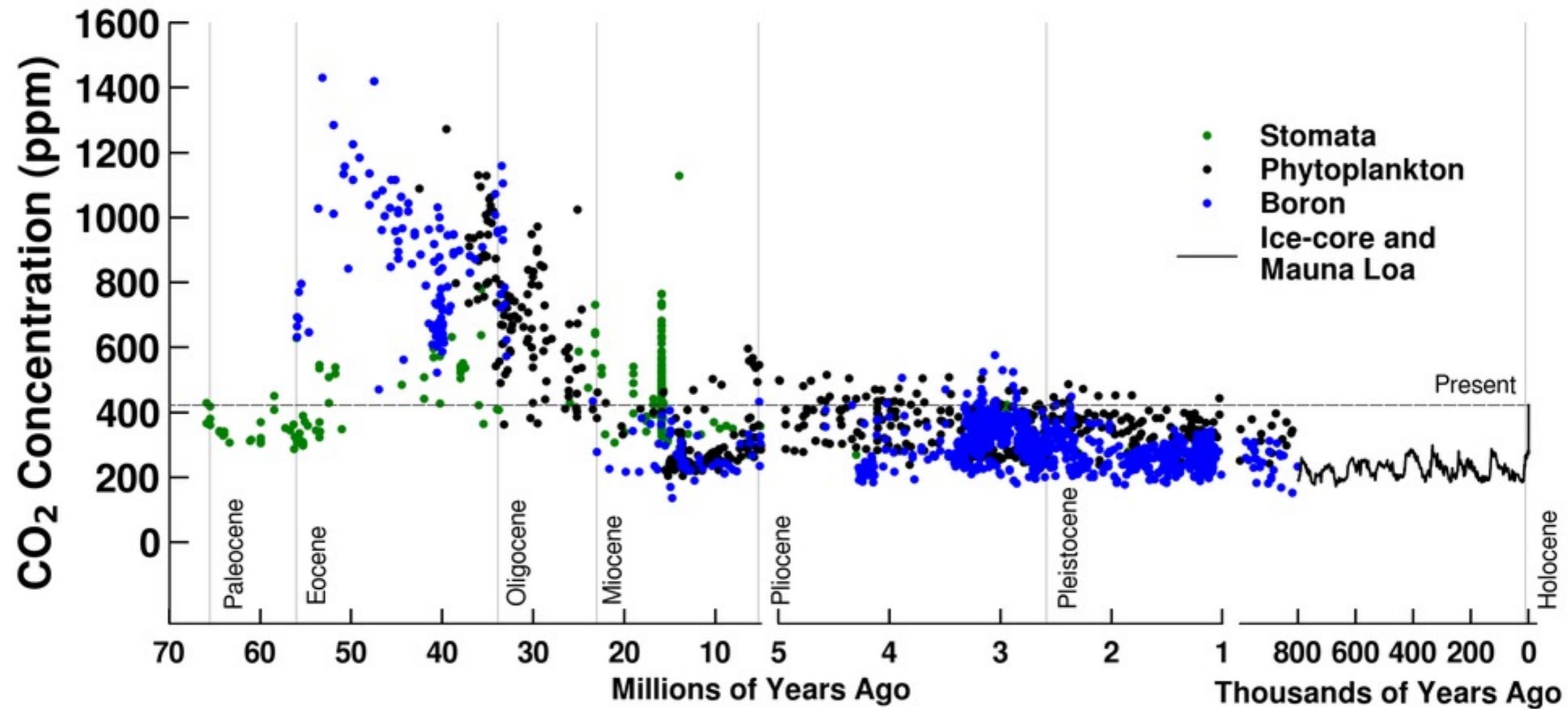


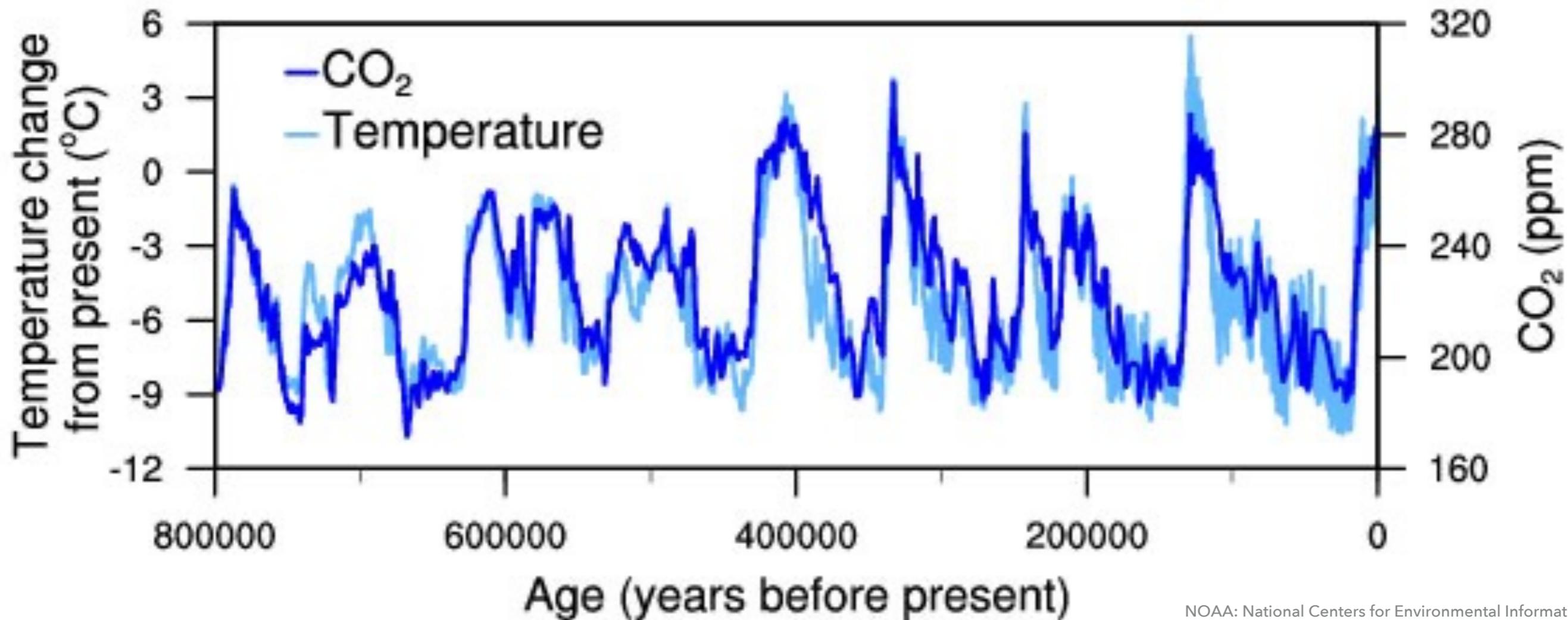
# CONCENTRACIÓN DE CO<sub>2</sub> EN LA ATMÓSFERA

## THE KEELING CURVE + ICE-CORES



# CONCENTRACIÓN DE CO<sub>2</sub> EN LA ATMÓSFERA



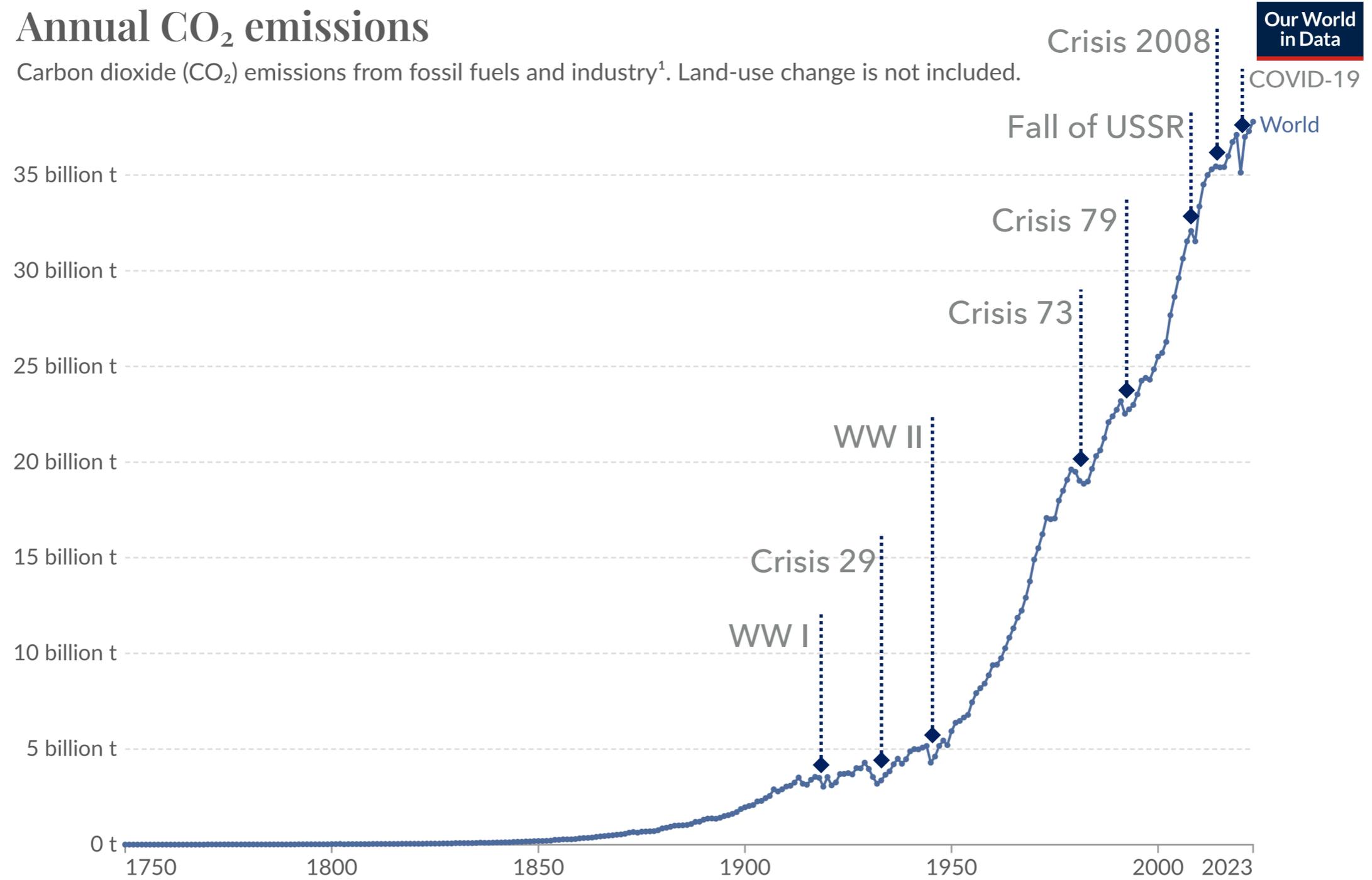


LA TEMPERATURE SE MUEVE CON LA CONCENTRACIÓN DE CO<sub>2</sub> EN LA ATMÓSFERA

# LAS EMISIONES ESTÁN ESTRECHAMENTE LIGADAS A LA ACTIVIDAD ECONÓMICA

## Annual CO<sub>2</sub> emissions

Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) emissions from fossil fuels and industry<sup>1</sup>. Land-use change is not included.

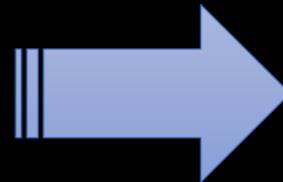


Data source: Global Carbon Budget (2024)

OurWorldinData.org/co2-and-greenhouse-gas-emissions | CC BY

# ES NECESARIO REDUCIR LAS EMISIONES Y ESTABLECER UNA ECONOMÍA DE CERO EMISIONES NETAS

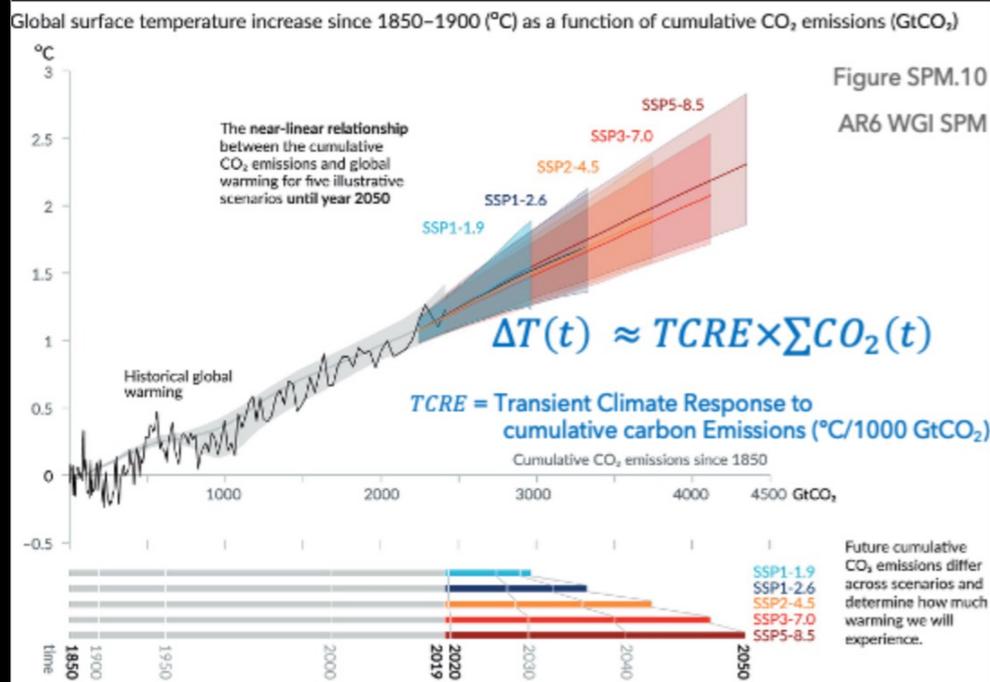
El aumento de temperatura es proporcional a las emisiones globales acumuladas



Hay un "presupuesto de carbono" asociado a cada objetivo

## EXISTE UNA RELACIÓN CASI-LINEAL ENTRE LAS EMISIONES ANTROPOGÉNICAS DE CO<sub>2</sub> Y EL AUMENTO DE LA TEMPERATURA EN EL "CORTO PLAZO"

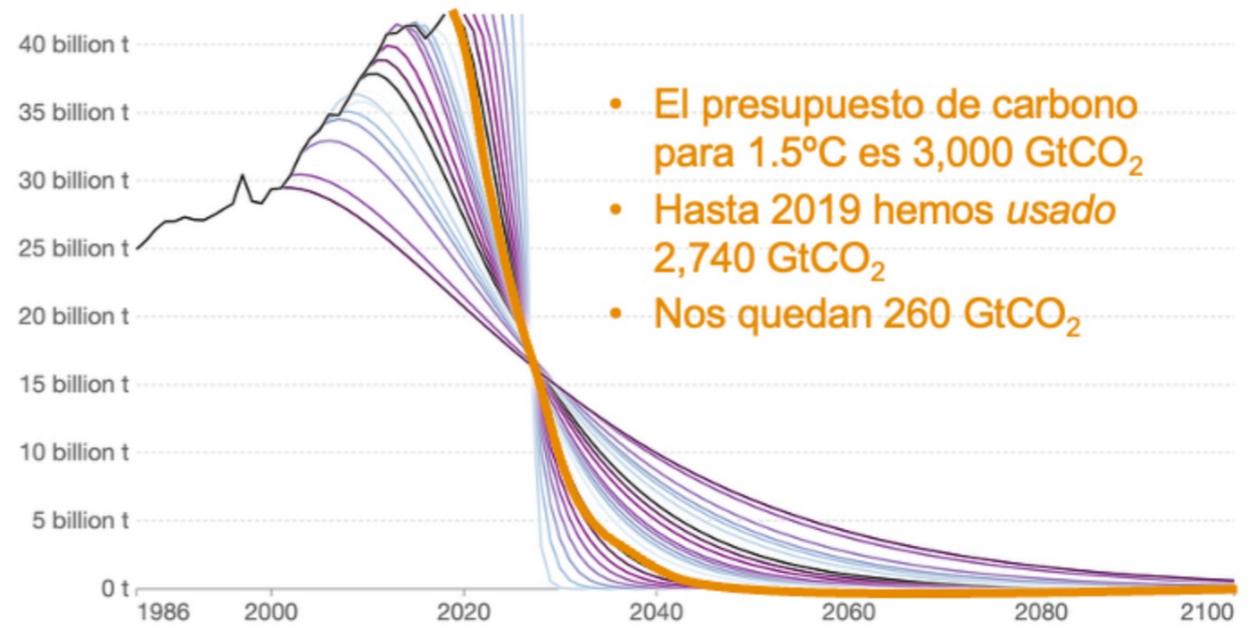
Cada 1000 GtCO<sub>2</sub> la temperatura aumenta ~0.45°C



## SENDAS DE EMISIONES PARA 1.5°C

CO<sub>2</sub> reductions needed to keep global temperature rise below 1.5°C

Annual emissions of carbon dioxide under various mitigation scenarios to keep global average temperature rise below 1.5°C. Scenarios are based on the CO<sub>2</sub> reductions necessary if mitigation had started – with global emissions peaking and quickly reducing – in the given year.



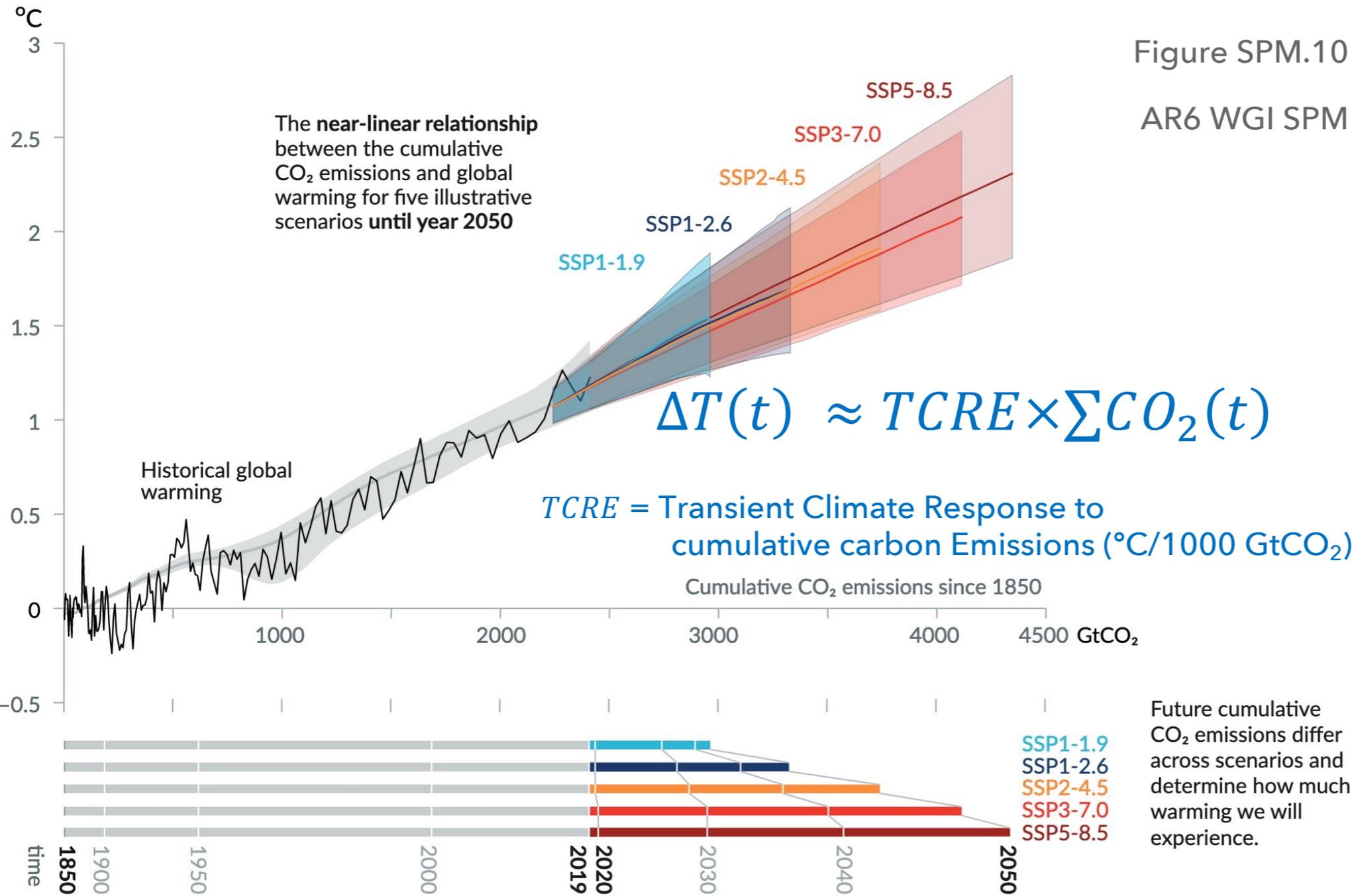
Source: Robbie Andrews (2019); based on Global Carbon Project & IPCC SR15  
Note: Carbon budgets are based on a >66% chance of staying below 1.5°C from the IPCC's SR15 Report.  
OurWorldInData.org/co2-and-other-greenhouse-gas-emissions • CC BY

# EXISTE UNA RELACIÓN CASI-LINEAL ENTRE LAS EMISIONES ANTROPOGÉNICAS DE CO<sub>2</sub> Y EL AUMENTO DE LA TEMPERATURA EN EL “CORTO PLAZO”

Cada 1000 GtCO<sub>2</sub> la temperature aumenta ~0.45°C

Global surface temperature increase since 1850–1900 (°C) as a function of cumulative CO<sub>2</sub> emissions (GtCO<sub>2</sub>)

Figure SPM.10  
AR6 WGI SPM



$TCRE \in [0.27, 0.62]$

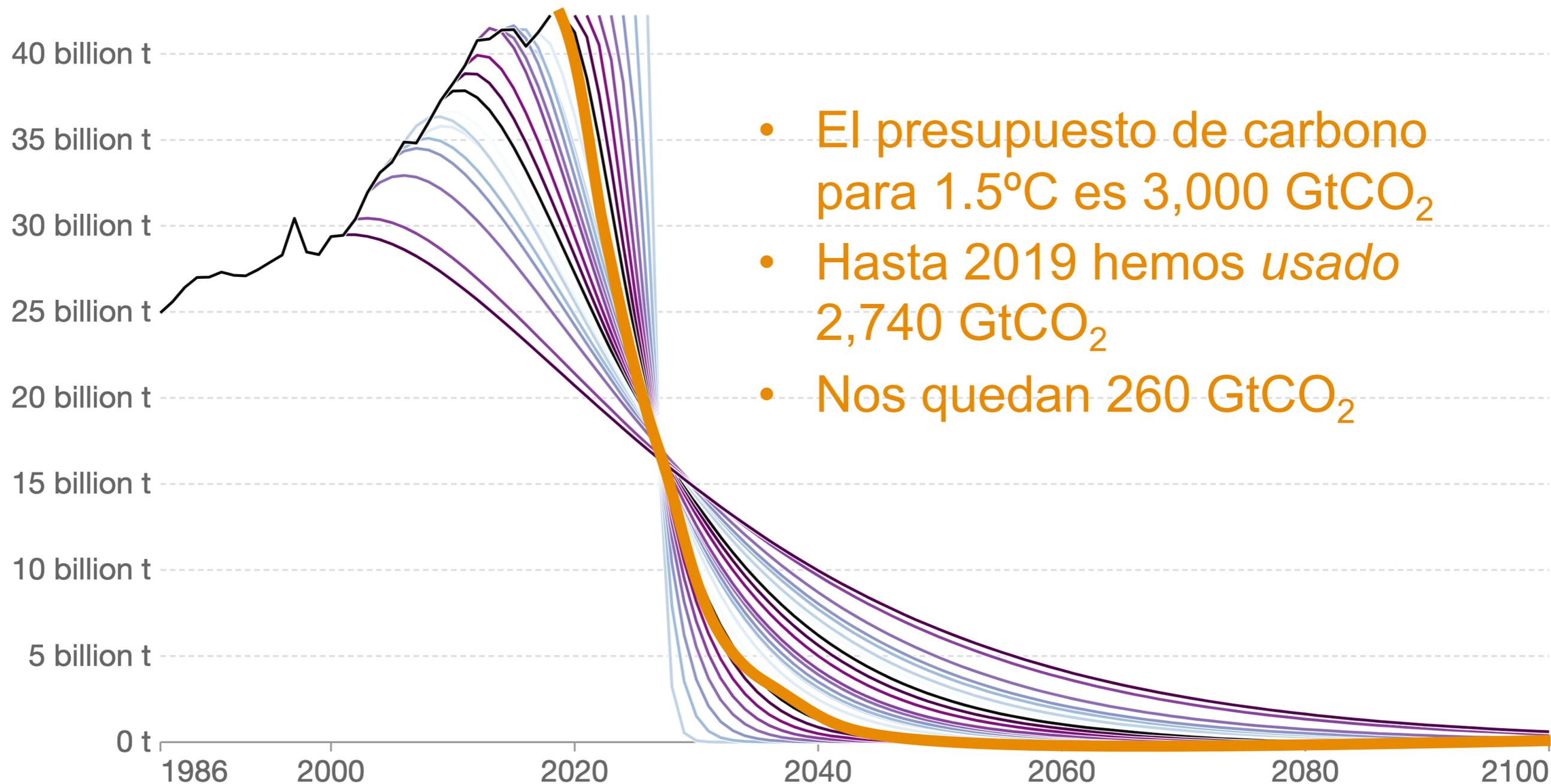
Best estimate  
0.45  
°C/1000 GtCO<sub>2</sub>

# SENDAS DE EMISIONES PARA 1.5°C

## CO<sub>2</sub> reductions needed to keep global temperature rise below 1.5°C

Our World in Data

Annual emissions of carbon dioxide under various mitigation scenarios to keep global average temperature rise below 1.5°C. Scenarios are based on the CO<sub>2</sub> reductions necessary if mitigation had started – with global emissions peaking and quickly reducing – in the given year.



Source: Robbie Andrews (2019); based on Global Carbon Project & IPCC SR15

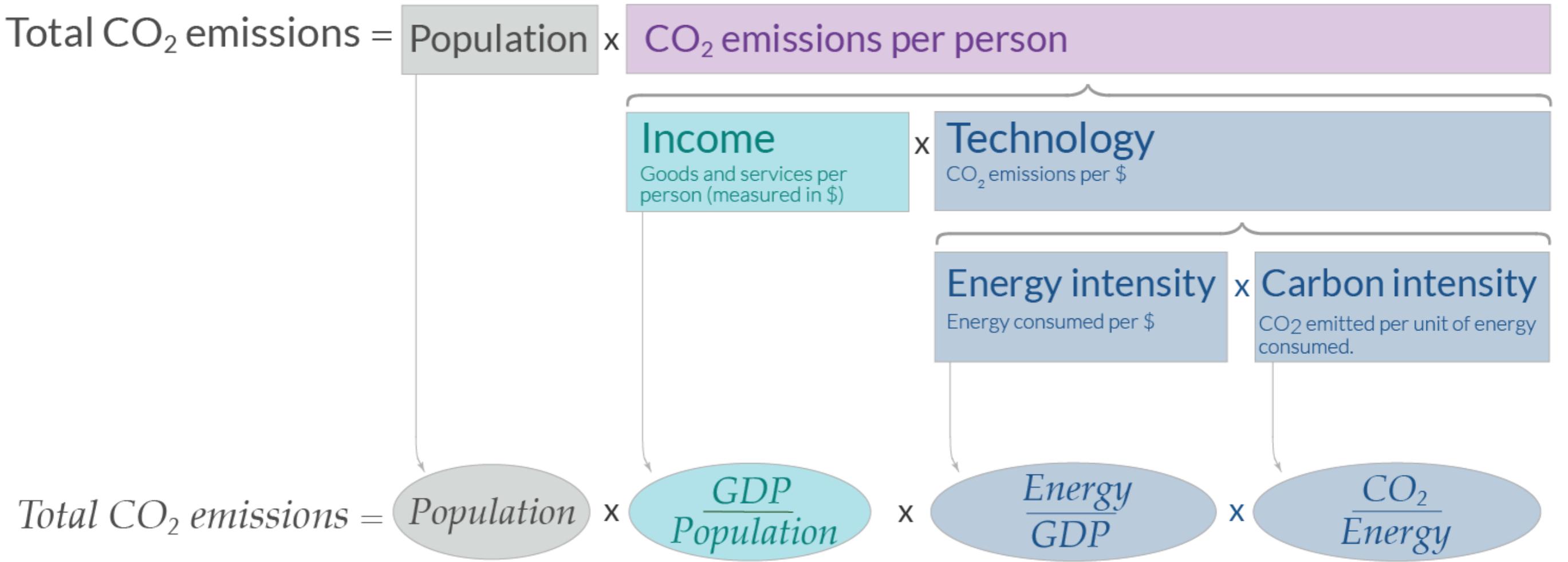
Note: Carbon budgets are based on a >66% chance of staying below 1.5°C from the IPCC's SR15 Report.

OurWorldInData.org/co2-and-other-greenhouse-gas-emissions • CC BY

# ¿CÓMO PODEMOS REDUCIR LAS EMISIONES?

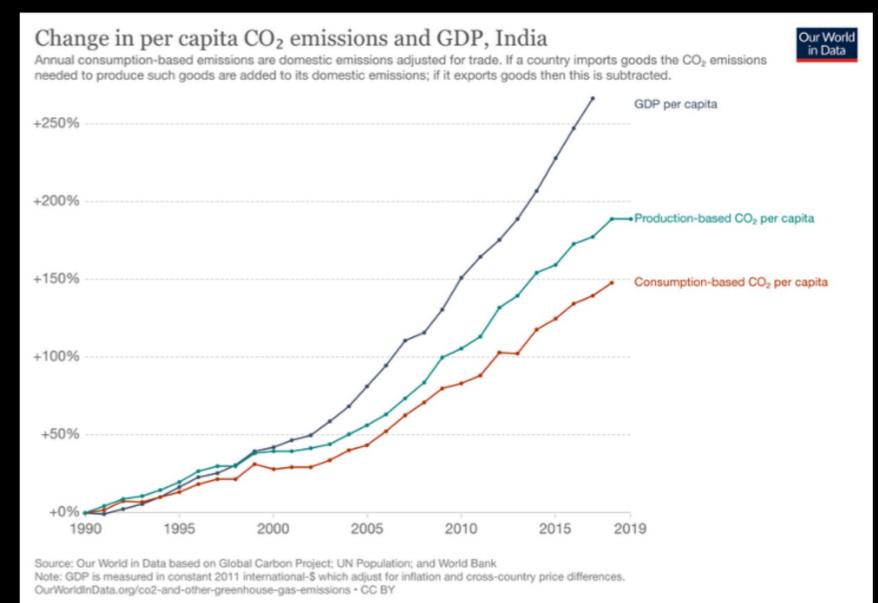
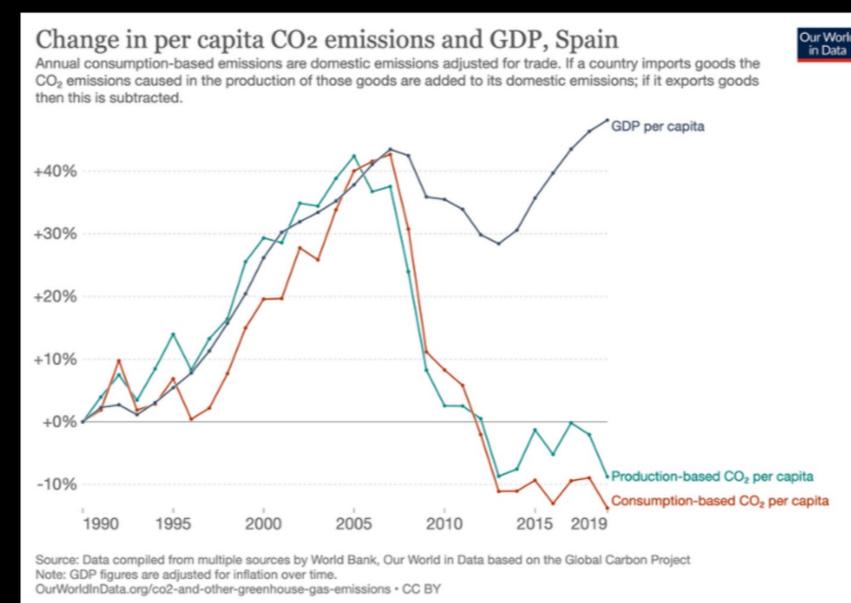
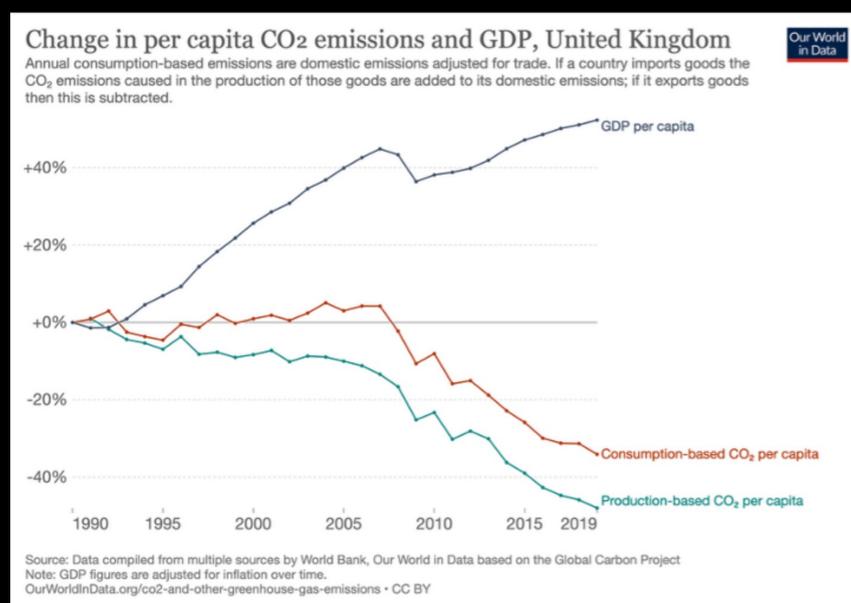
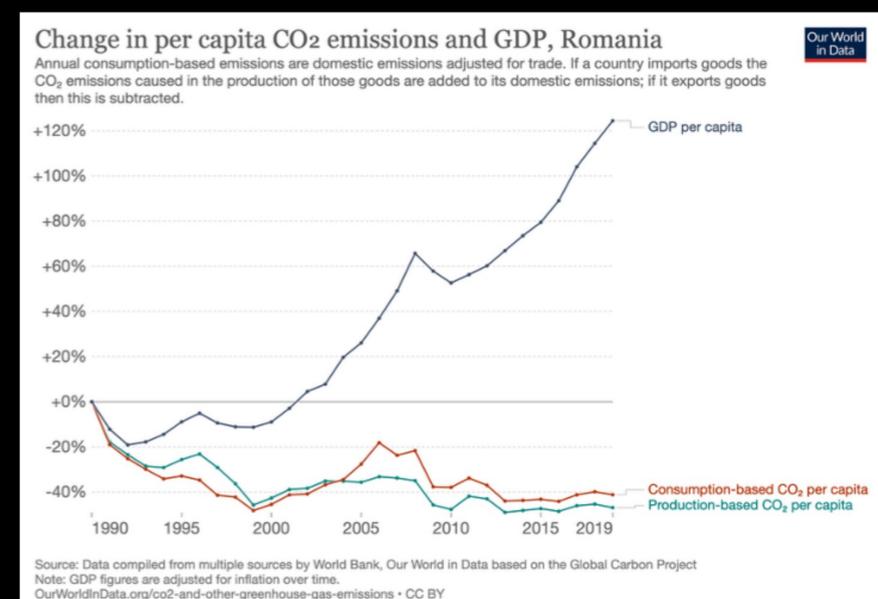
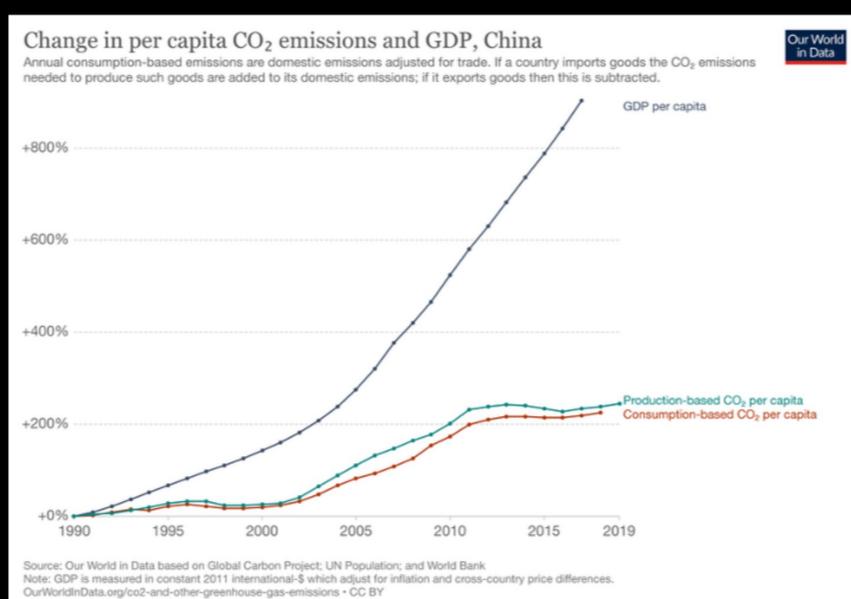
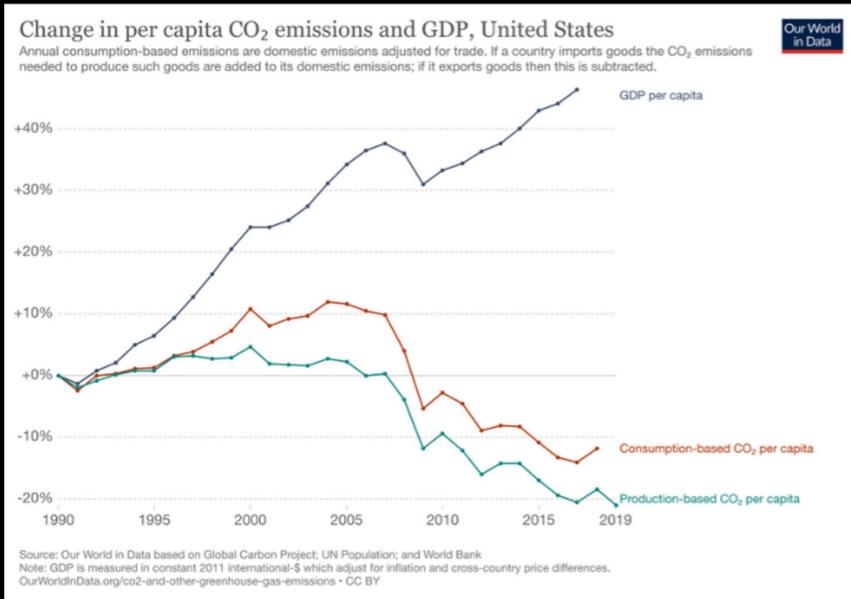
# What determines total CO<sub>2</sub> emissions?

The 'Kaya Identity' breaks down total emissions into the key elements driving them.



- ↓ energy intensity by:
- Improving energy efficiency
  - Switching to less intensive industries
- ↓ carbon intensity by:
- Switching to renewable energy
  - Switching to nuclear energy
  - Substituting gas for coal (partial)
  - Capturing & storing fossil CO<sub>2</sub> (CCS)

# ¿SE PUEDE DISOCIAR EL CRECIMIENTO ECONÓMICO DE LAS EMISIONES DE CO<sub>2</sub>, SIN TRASLADAR LA PRODUCCIÓN (OFFSHORING) A PARAÍOS DE EMISIONES?

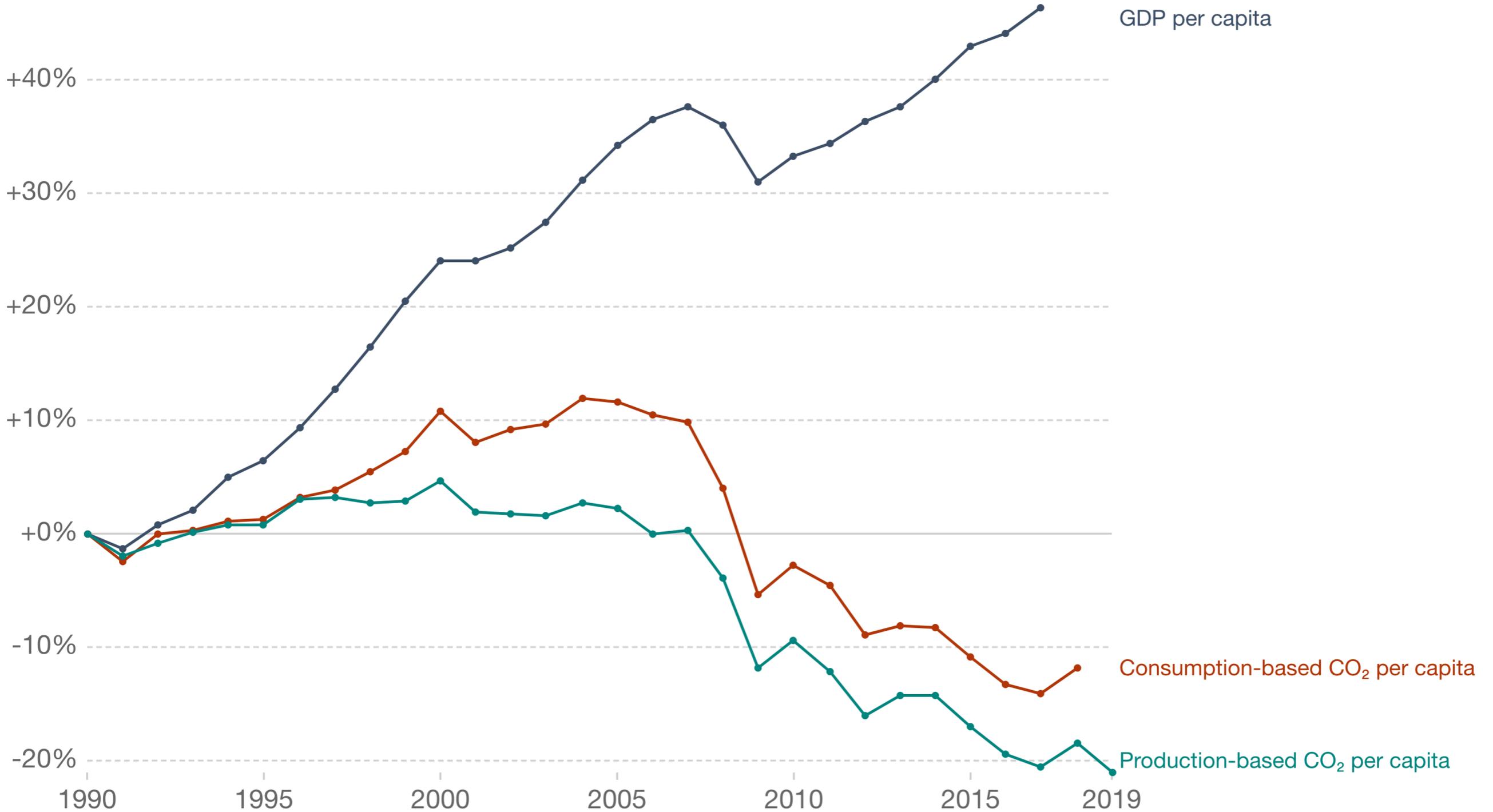


<https://ourworldindata.org/grapher/co2-emissions-and-gdp-per-capita?time=1990..2019>



# Change in per capita CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and GDP, United States

Annual consumption-based emissions are domestic emissions adjusted for trade. If a country imports goods the CO<sub>2</sub> emissions needed to produce such goods are added to its domestic emissions; if it exports goods then this is subtracted.



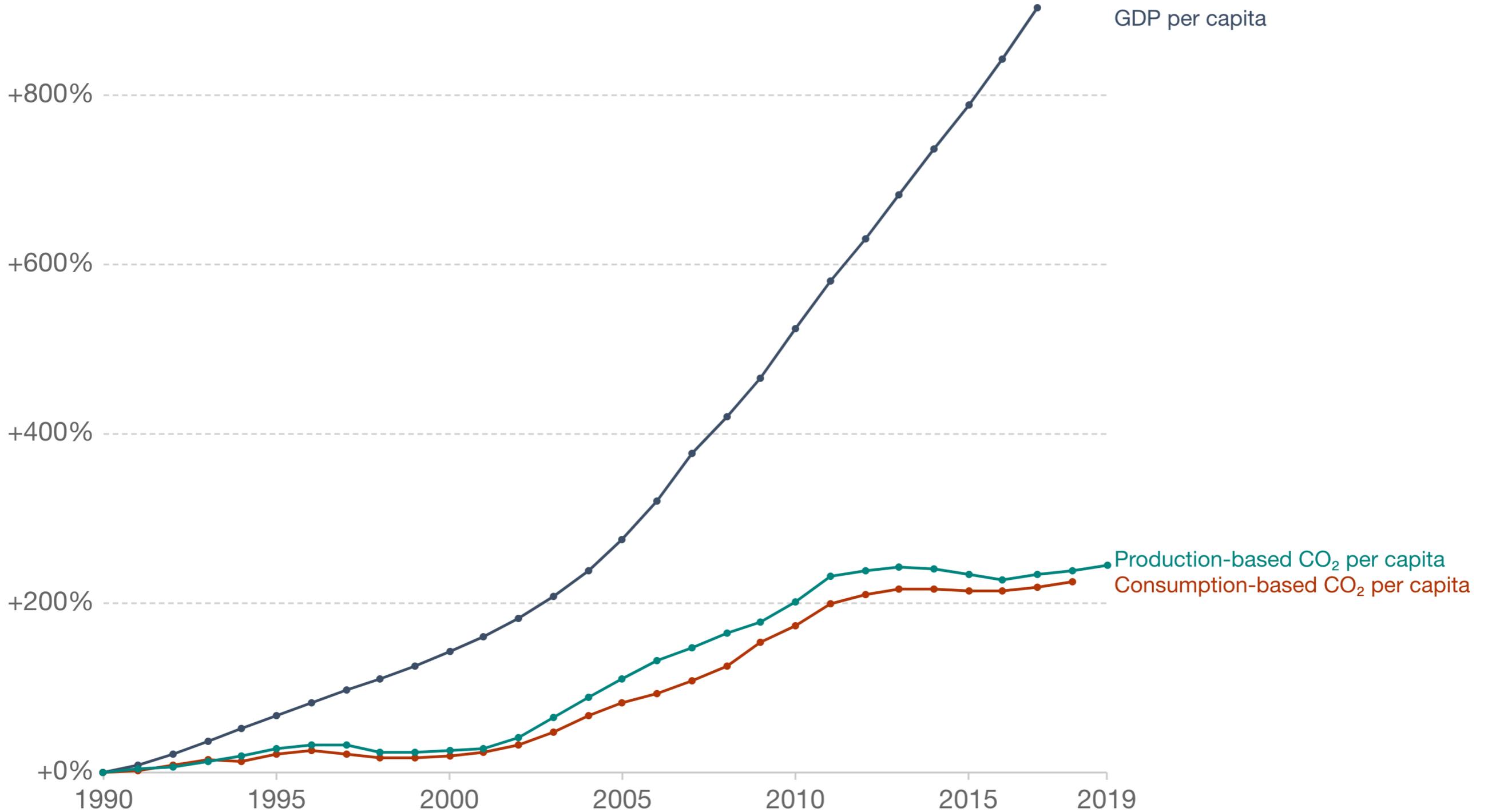
Source: Our World in Data based on Global Carbon Project; UN Population; and World Bank

Note: GDP is measured in constant 2011 international-\$ which adjust for inflation and cross-country price differences.

OurWorldInData.org/co2-and-other-greenhouse-gas-emissions • CC BY

# Change in per capita CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and GDP, China

Annual consumption-based emissions are domestic emissions adjusted for trade. If a country imports goods the CO<sub>2</sub> emissions needed to produce such goods are added to its domestic emissions; if it exports goods then this is subtracted.



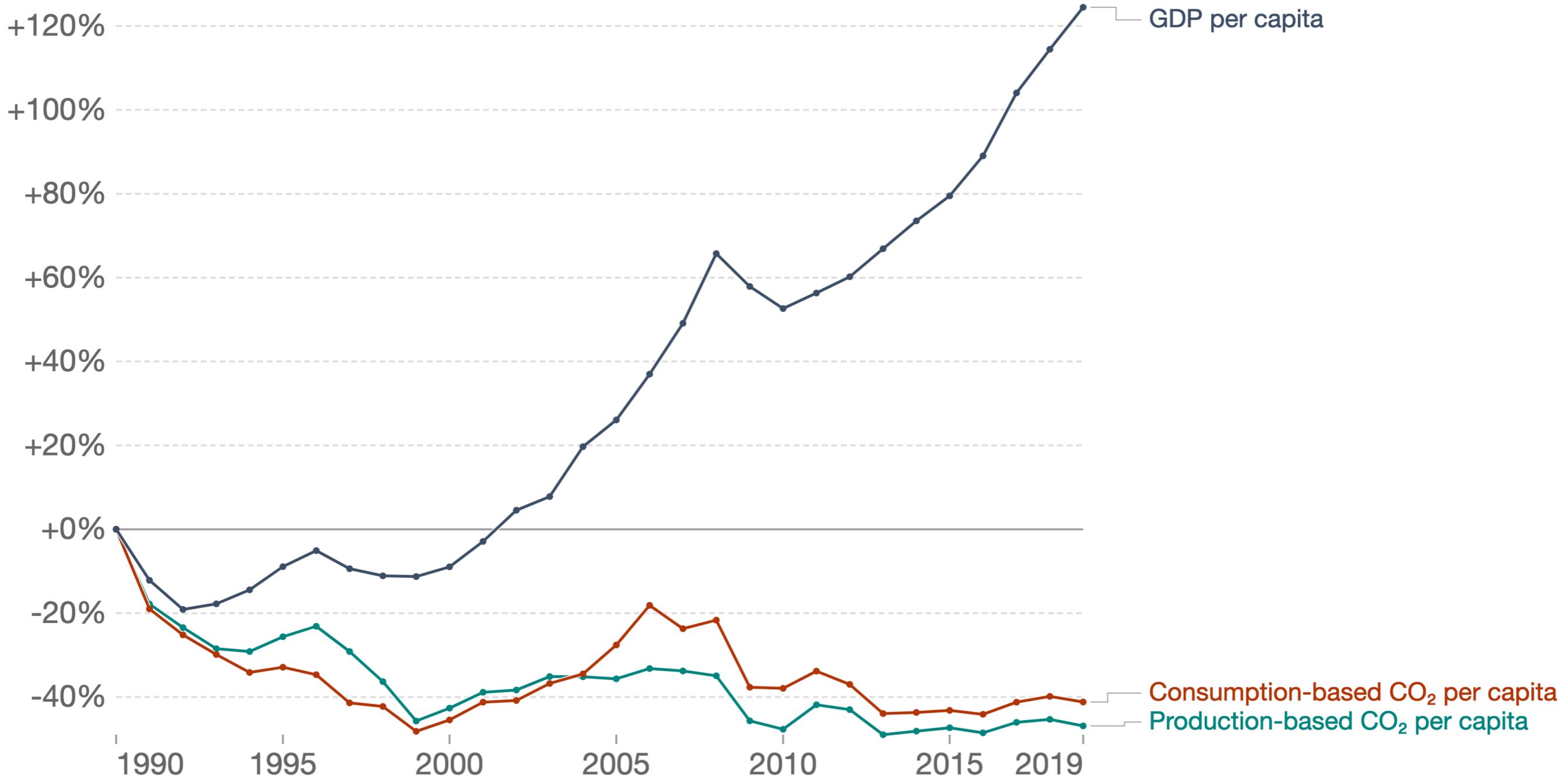
Source: Our World in Data based on Global Carbon Project; UN Population; and World Bank

Note: GDP is measured in constant 2011 international-\$ which adjust for inflation and cross-country price differences.

OurWorldInData.org/co2-and-other-greenhouse-gas-emissions • CC BY

# Change in per capita CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and GDP, Romania

Annual consumption-based emissions are domestic emissions adjusted for trade. If a country imports goods the CO<sub>2</sub> emissions caused in the production of those goods are added to its domestic emissions; if it exports goods then this is subtracted.



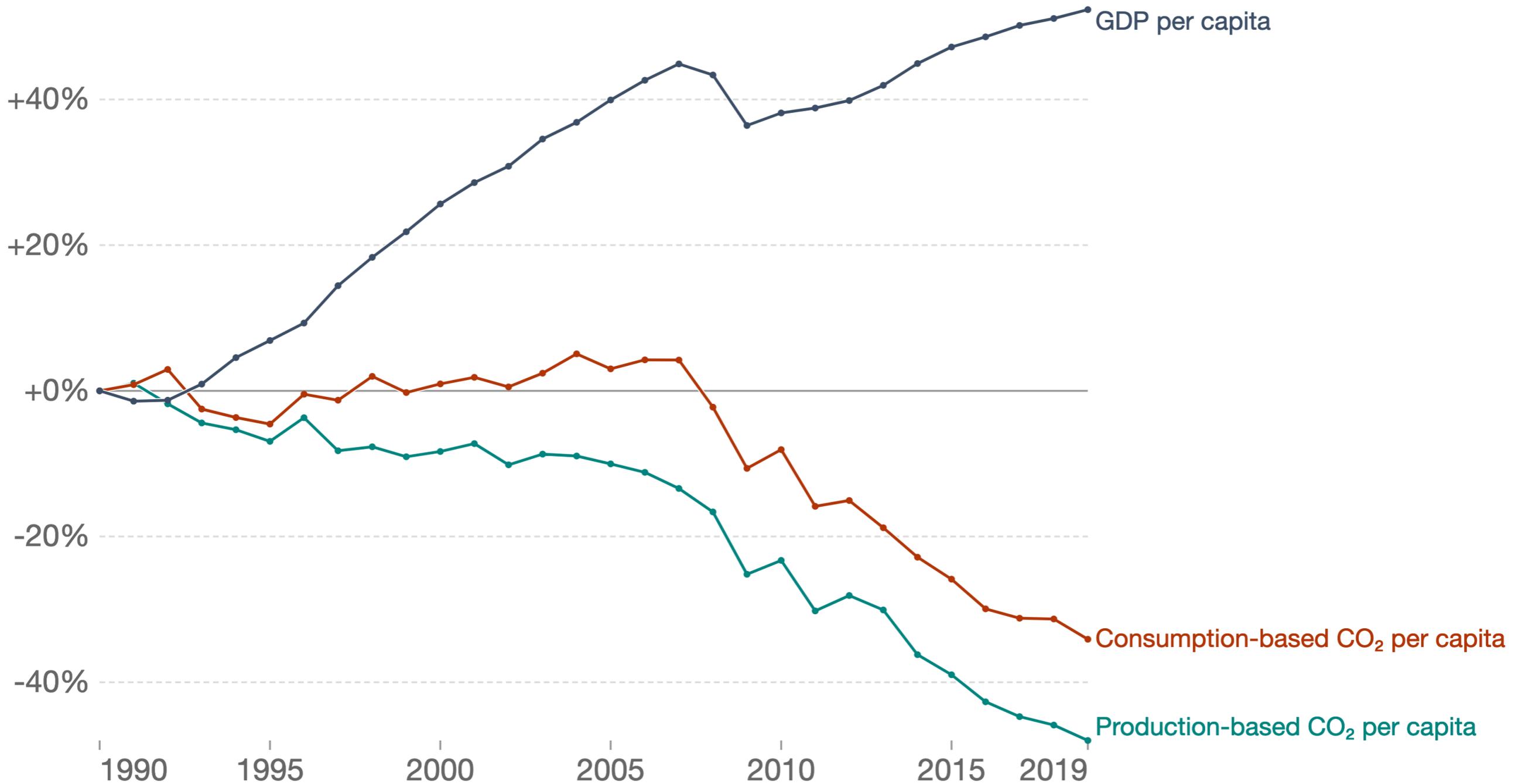
Source: Data compiled from multiple sources by World Bank, Our World in Data based on the Global Carbon Project

Note: GDP figures are adjusted for inflation over time.

OurWorldInData.org/co2-and-other-greenhouse-gas-emissions • CC BY

# Change in per capita CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and GDP, United Kingdom

Annual consumption-based emissions are domestic emissions adjusted for trade. If a country imports goods the CO<sub>2</sub> emissions caused in the production of those goods are added to its domestic emissions; if it exports goods then this is subtracted.



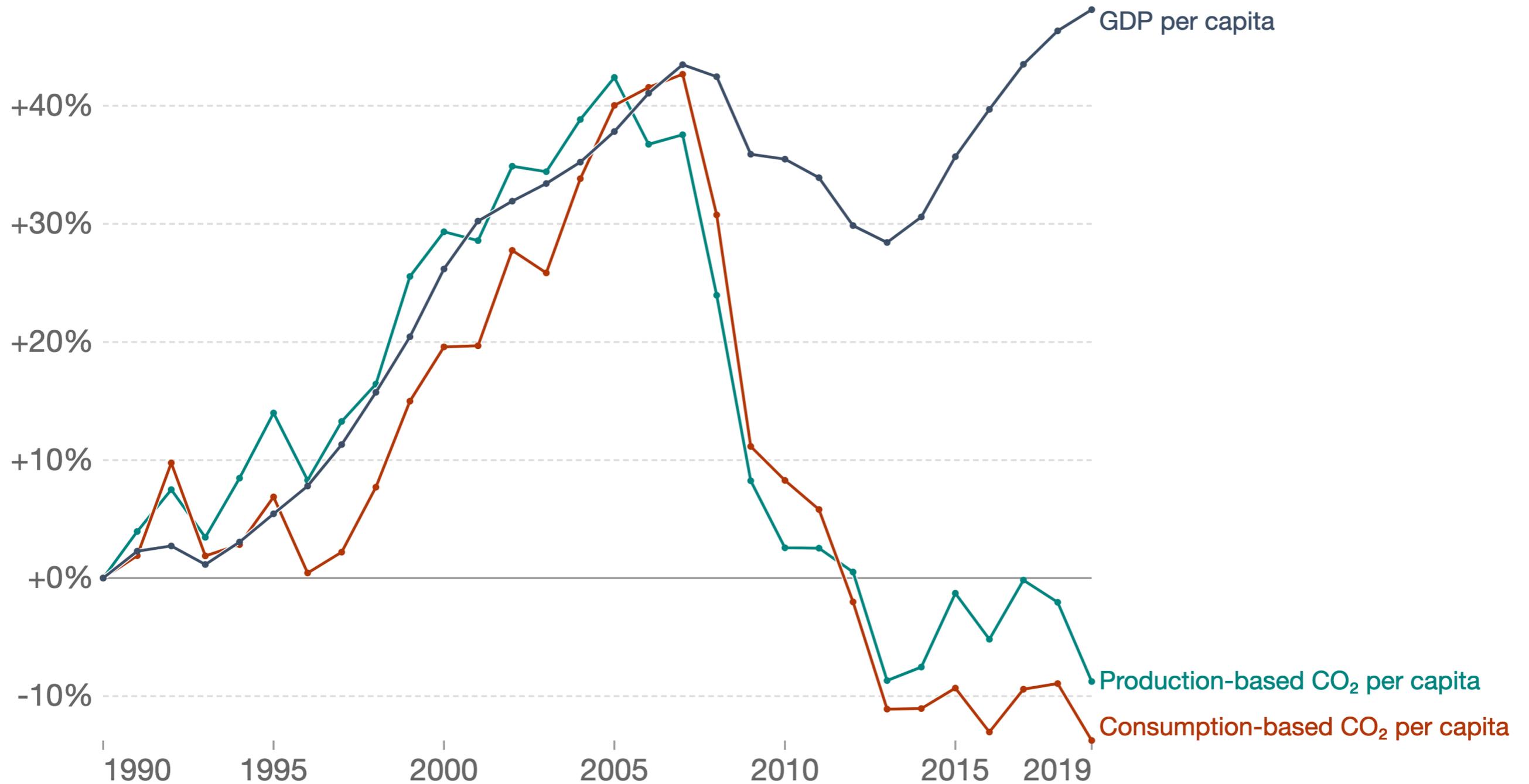
Source: Data compiled from multiple sources by World Bank, Our World in Data based on the Global Carbon Project

Note: GDP figures are adjusted for inflation over time.

OurWorldInData.org/co2-and-other-greenhouse-gas-emissions • CC BY

# Change in per capita CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and GDP, Spain

Annual consumption-based emissions are domestic emissions adjusted for trade. If a country imports goods the CO<sub>2</sub> emissions caused in the production of those goods are added to its domestic emissions; if it exports goods then this is subtracted.



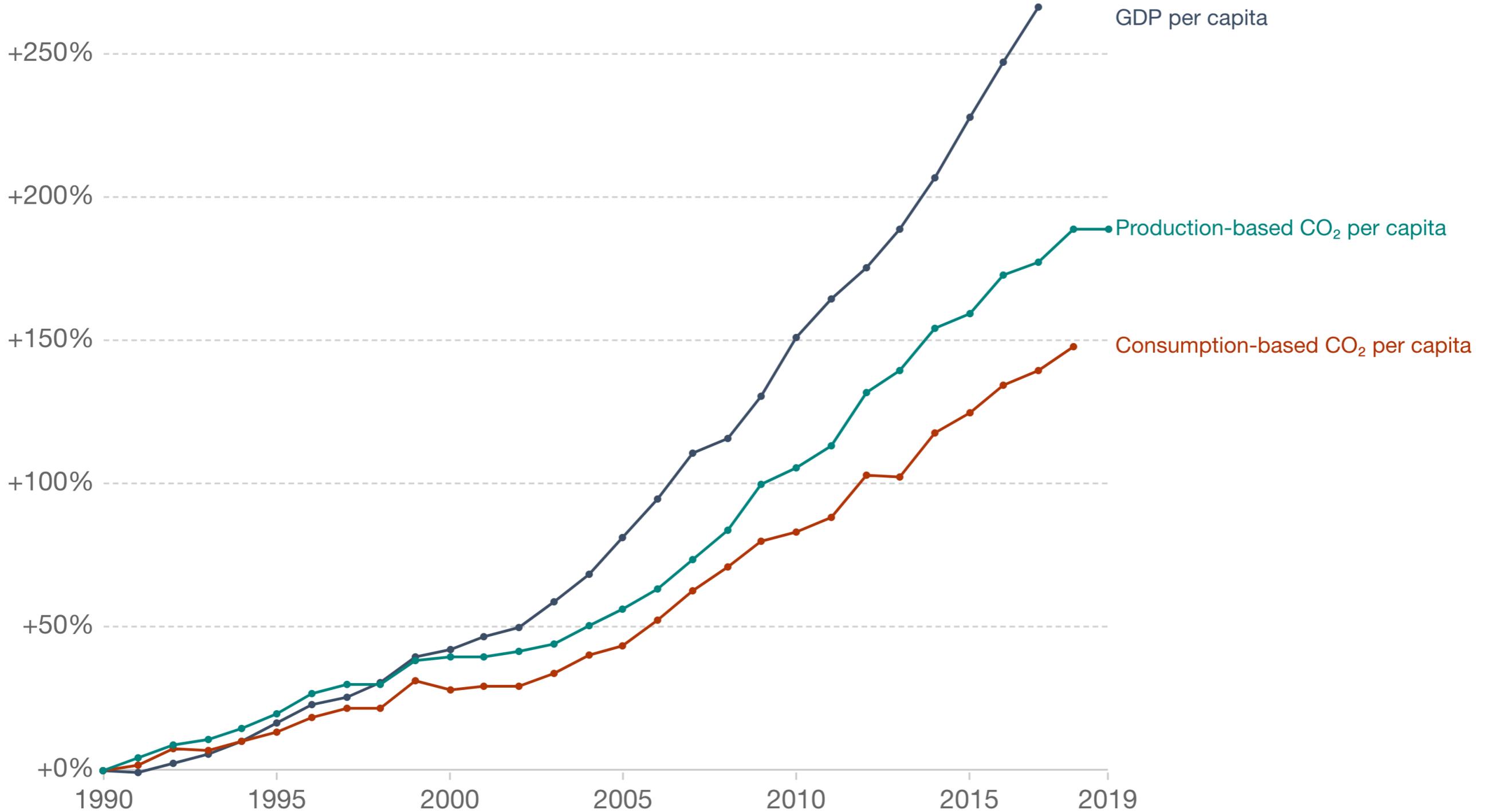
Source: Data compiled from multiple sources by World Bank, Our World in Data based on the Global Carbon Project

Note: GDP figures are adjusted for inflation over time.

OurWorldInData.org/co2-and-other-greenhouse-gas-emissions • CC BY

# Change in per capita CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and GDP, India

Annual consumption-based emissions are domestic emissions adjusted for trade. If a country imports goods the CO<sub>2</sub> emissions needed to produce such goods are added to its domestic emissions; if it exports goods then this is subtracted.



Source: Our World in Data based on Global Carbon Project; UN Population; and World Bank

Note: GDP is measured in constant 2011 international-\$ which adjust for inflation and cross-country price differences.

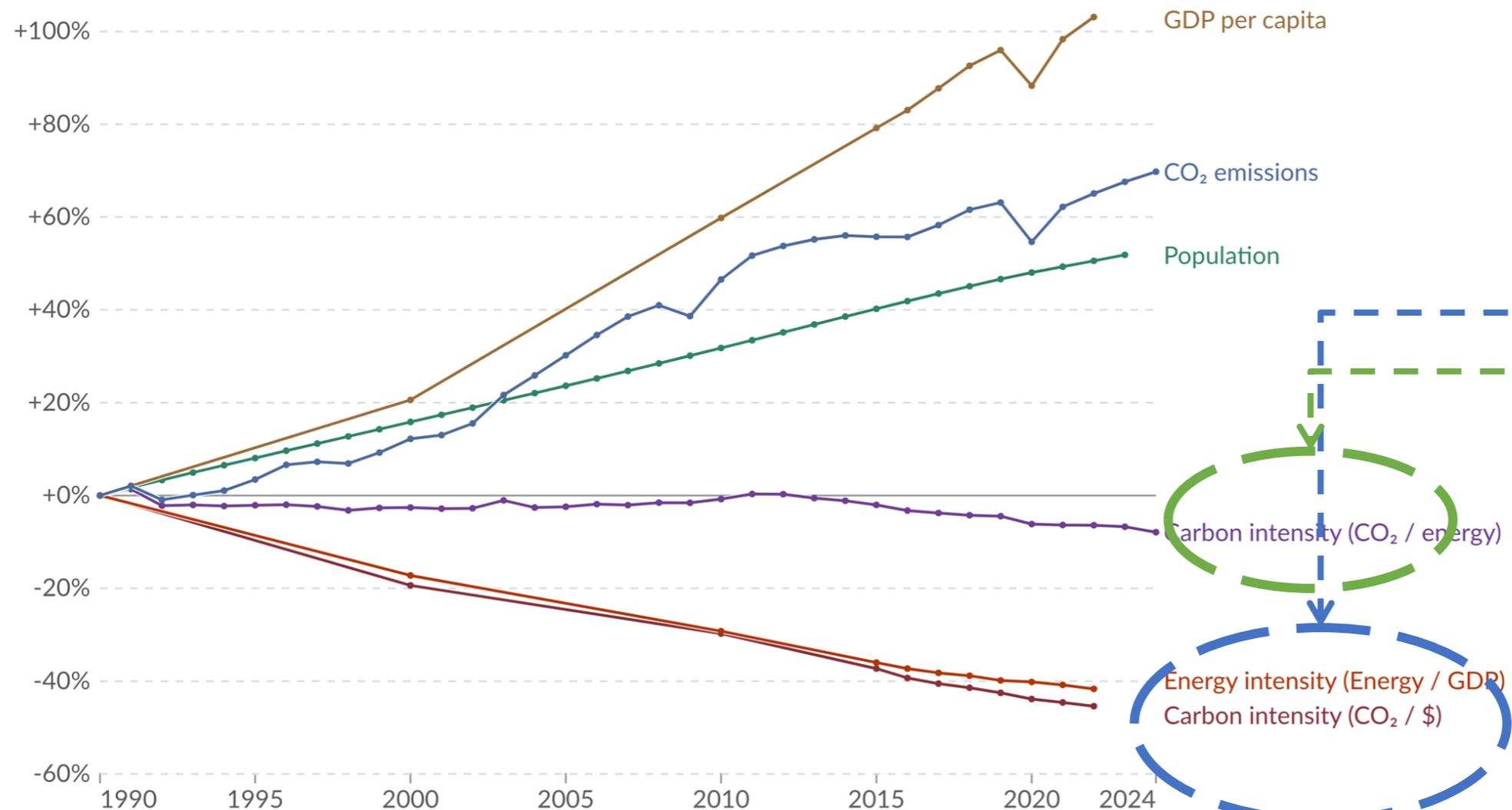
OurWorldInData.org/co2-and-other-greenhouse-gas-emissions • CC BY

# ¿EN QUÉ HEMOS AVANZADO?

## Kaya identity: drivers of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions, World

Our World in Data

Percentage change in the four parameters of the Kaya Identity, which determine total CO<sub>2</sub> emissions. Emissions from fossil fuels and industry<sup>1</sup> are included. Land-use change emissions<sup>2</sup> are not included.



Data source: Global Carbon Budget (2025) and other sources

OurWorldinData.org/co2-and-greenhouse-gas-emissions/CO2BY

Note: GDP per capita is measured in 2011 international-\$<sup>3</sup> (PPP). This adjusts for inflation and cross-country

Los avances en la reducción de emisiones se han conseguido principalmente por eficiencia energética.

El uso de energía verde prácticamente no ha variado, excepto levemente en los últimos años y en los países de la OCDE



# ¿QUÉ HEMOS CONSEGUIDO?

## Global greenhouse gas emissions and warming scenarios

Our World in Data

- Each pathway comes with uncertainty, marked by the shading from low to high emissions under each scenario.
- Warming refers to the expected global temperature rise by 2100, relative to pre-industrial temperatures.

Annual global greenhouse gas emissions in gigatonnes of carbon dioxide-equivalents

150 Gt

100 Gt

50 Gt

0



Greenhouse gas emissions up to the present

1990 2000 2010 2020 2030 2040 2050 2060 2070 2080 2090 2100

### No climate policies

4.1 – 4.8 °C

→ expected emissions in a baseline scenario if countries had not implemented climate reduction policies.

### Current policies

2.7 – 3.1 °C

→ emissions with current climate policies in place result in warming of 2.7 to 3.1°C by 2100.

### Pledges & targets (2.4 °C)

→ emissions if all countries delivered on reduction pledges result in warming of 2.4°C by 2100.

### 2°C pathways

1.5°C pathways

Data source: Climate Action Tracker (based on national policies and pledges as of May 2021).

OurWorldinData.org - Research and data to make progress against the world's largest problems.

Last updated: July 2021.

Licensed under CC-BY by the authors Hannah Ritchie & Max Roser.

Which one are you?



1/2 FULL?



1/2 EMPTY?

humberto.llavador@upf.edu