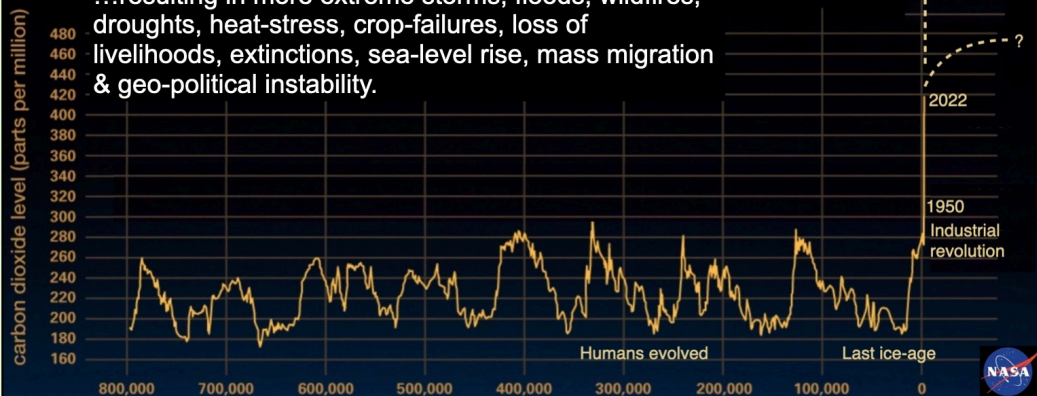


We can reduce the climate & biodiversity emergencies!



Carbon 'pollution' from burning fossil fuels for energy is destabilising our planet's climate & biodiversity...

...resulting in more extreme storms, floods, wildfires, droughts, heat-stress, crop-failures, loss of livelihoods, extinctions, sea-level rise, mass migration & geo-political instability.



1. We can reduce our carbon footprint



The UK's carbon footprint () comes mainly (75%) from our food, travel, homes & stuff. We can aim to reduce this by the science (IPCC) target of 50% by 2030.

	High 	Low 	Change needed	Co-benefits
 FOOD	5 tonnes	2 tonnes	Switch to more plant-based meals Only buy food you will use	Healthier Save money
 TRAVEL	16 tonnes	2 tonnes	Use alternatives to petrol/diesel cars Reduce flying	Less asthma, strokes, etc
 HOME	7 tonnes	1 tonne	Improve insulation & curtains Change boiler to heat pump	Lower bills Be warm all day
 STUFF	3 tonnes	<1 tonne	Reduce Reuse Recycle	Less clutter
TOTAL	33 tonnes	7 tonnes		Less guilt

Data are for one person living in West Berkshire/year and includes 2 tonnes of CO_{2e} for UK public services.
UK average is 9 tonnes. World average is 6 tonnes (WWF).

2. We can use our voice, money & vote

Two thirds of UK citizens are worried about the environment.

Studies suggest that when 1 in 4 of us are taking meaningful action, a positive tipping point is triggered, because companies & politicians follow our money & vote.

👉 If you are not able to halve your carbon footprint by 2030, write to your MP, councillors & everyone you do business with to ask for help.

👉 Help friends & neighbours do the same.

🌿 Turn your gardens & local green spaces into havens for nature.

💰 Switch to a sustainable bank & pension.

👥 Support local, national & international environment & justice groups & sign petitions.

🎵 Follow climate/nature-aware singers & musicians, athletes & other cultural leaders.

🗣️ Protest? Climate majority project? Climate income?

3. We can find out more information

- Why are fossil fuel & food companies profits not used to repay subsidies (\$1.5 trillion) or pay for the damage caused by their products (\$6-10 trillion, World Bank)?
- Why can't we find out how much our politicians profit from government policies?
- Why is the advice of our environmental scientists not being followed?
- Why is the free market allowed to take away our freedom to breathe clean air (98% of Europeans breath toxic air, WHO) or the freedom of future generations to live as we do now (1 in 5 people displaced by 2100, UN)?
- Why does the media industry publish mis-information?

Don't fall victim to mis-information. Choose well-respected sources:

newspapers podcasts email newsletters

books

YouTube

websites

THE WEEK



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Information also available in libraries.

Global warming above 1.5°C will trigger abrupt changes, which the natural world can't adapt to on a human timescale ...

... but we can reduce our carbon footprint, use the power of our voice, money & vote, and hold our politicians, companies & media to account, to limit the effects.

Attenborough at COP26



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