# Market drivers for low carbon commercial vehicles

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Low Carbon Vehicle Partnership

Accelerating a sustainable shift to low carbon vehicles and fuels in the UK

Stimulating opportunities for UK businesses





"Warming of the climate system is unequivocal, as is now evident from observations of increases in global average air and ocean temperatures, widespread melting of snow and ice, and rising global average sea level"



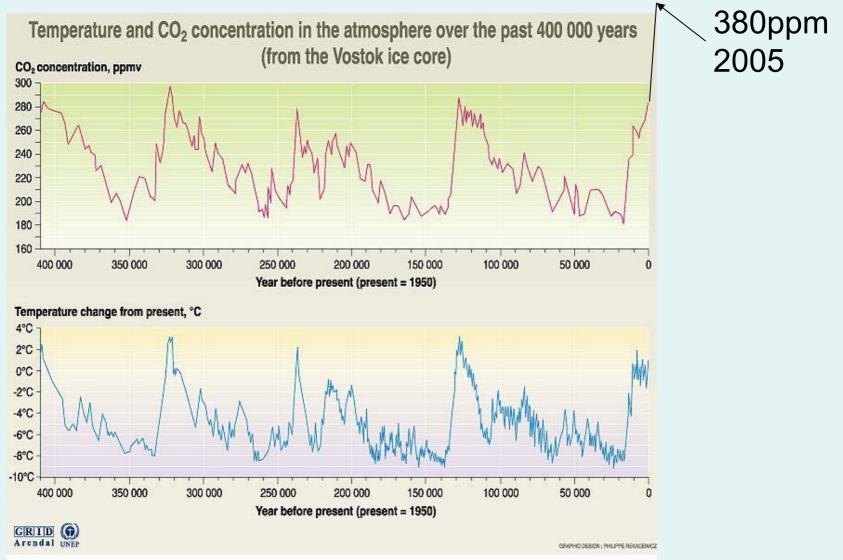


#### **IPCC 2007**



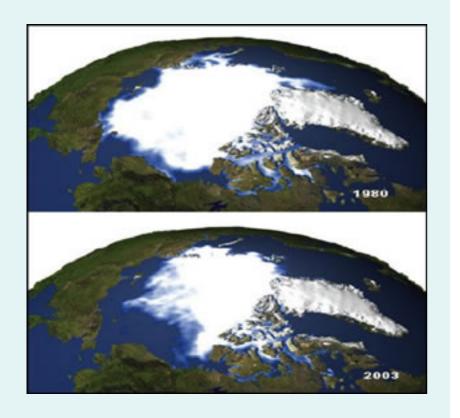


#### *Global temperature and CO2 levels are highly correlated over geological time – current CO2 concentrations are unprecedented*



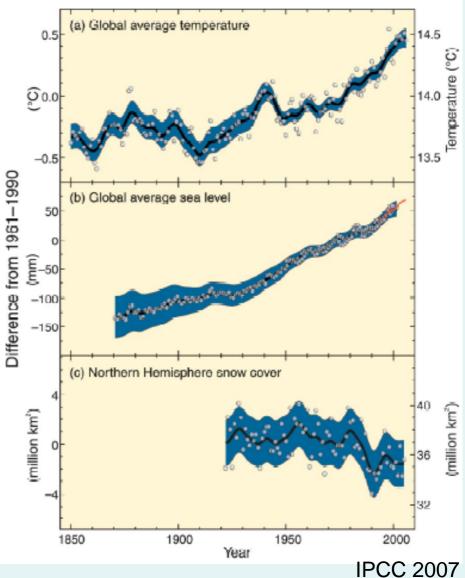
Source: J.R. Petit, J. Jouzel, et al. Climate and atmospheric history of the past 420 000 years from the Vostok ice core in Antarctica, Nature 399 (3JUne), pp 429-436, 1999.

# Global temperature and sea level is rising, snow cover declining



NASA





# Extreme weather events are increasing in frequency and impact



Forest fires, Greece 2007



Tewskesbury 2007

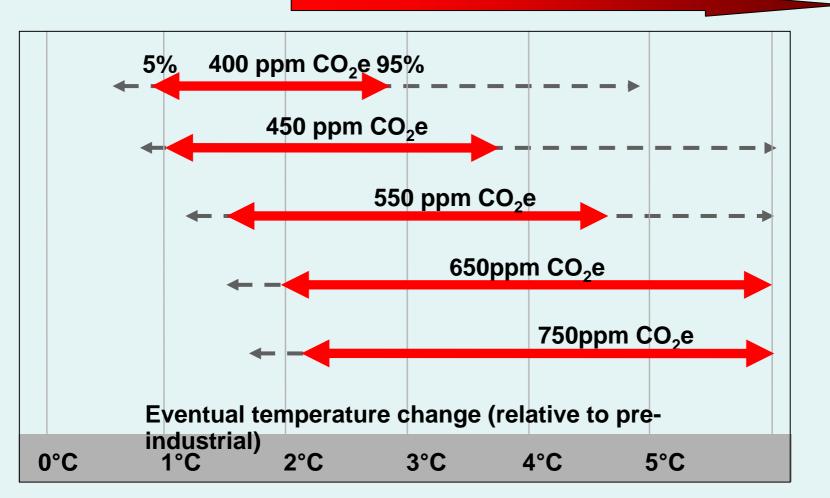


Northern India, 2007



Hurricane Felix 2007

#### There is an increasing risk of dangerous climate change above a 2°C warming Increasing risk of dangerous climate change





Source: Stern Review

### Projected impacts of climate change are driving international action

Global temperature change (relative to pre-industrial)					
0°C	1°C	2°C	3°C	4°C	5°C
Food		ng crop yields in r eloping regions	many areas,	particularly	
	Possible rising some high latit		•		ields in many ed regions
Water	Small mountain glad disappear – water supplies threatened several areas	availability in Mediterrane	ecreases in wa many areas, i an and Southe	including S	ea level rise preatens major cities
Ecosystems					
	Extensive Damag to Coral Reefs	Rising num	ber of specie	es face extinct	ion
Extreme Weathe		n <mark>sity of storms, fo</mark>	rest fires, dro	oughts, floodir	ng and heat waves
	Abrupt and reversible s			angerous fee shifts in the c	dbacks and limate system

#### Government, business and the public are increasingly aware and responding to the challenge



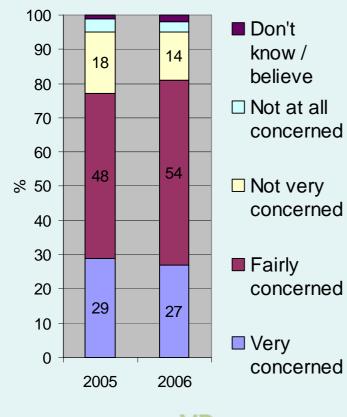






# Public concern about climate change is approaching saturation levels

#### Public atitudes to climate change



□ 81% are Very or Fairly Concerned

87% and Very or Fairly Convinced

89% believe it will significantly affect future generations

72% identify road transport as an important contributor

□ 56% see business has a key role in reducing emissions



# *UK transport emissions have almost doubled since 1970*

Emissions trends are driven by:

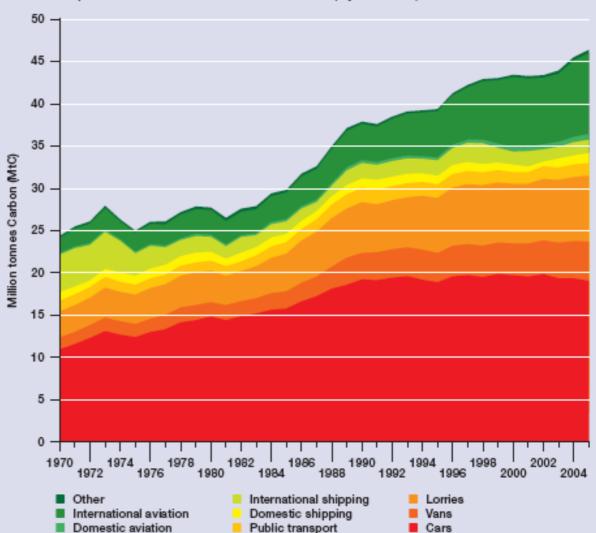
The demand for movement and need to access facilities, services and goods

The mode of transport used

□ The carbon intensity and efficiency of the mode

The operational efficiency of vehicle use

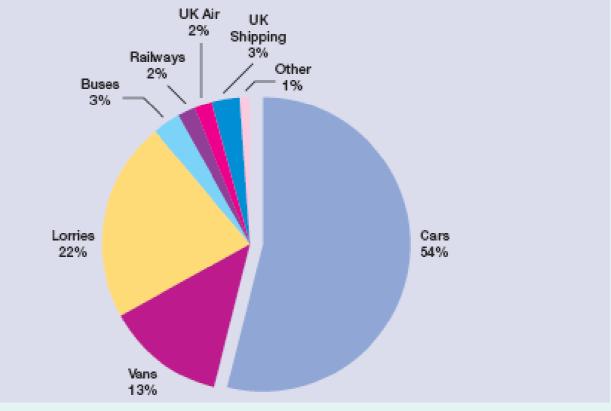




UK transport CO₂ emissions 1970-2005 (by source)10

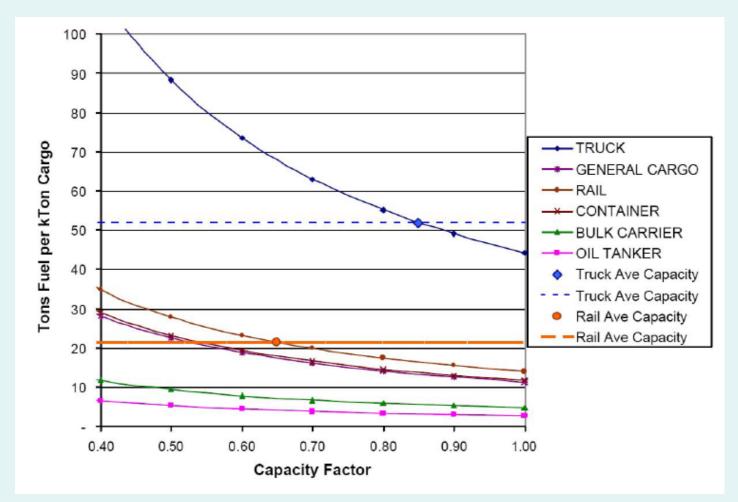
# *Lorries and Vans represents 35% of UK transport sector emissions*

UK transport sector carbon emissions by mode 2005 by source (excluding international aviation and shipping





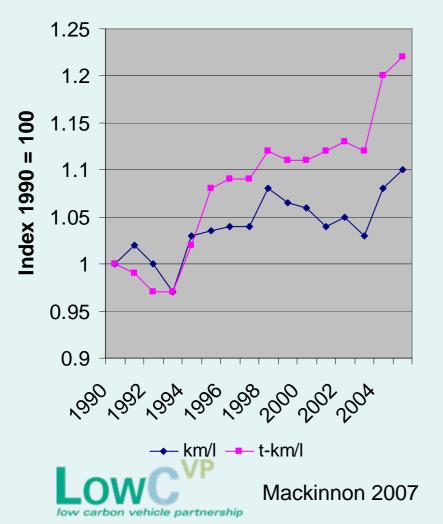
# Road haulage represents the most carbon intensive form of freight transport



LOWC<sup>VP</sup> low carbon vehicle partnership

Marintek et al, 2000)

### Fuel efficiency has improved by 10% since 1990 and carrying efficiency by 22%



Trend in average fuel efficiency of HGVs

Most improvement occurred between:

- '94-'98 fuel duty escalator
- '04-'05 high oil prices

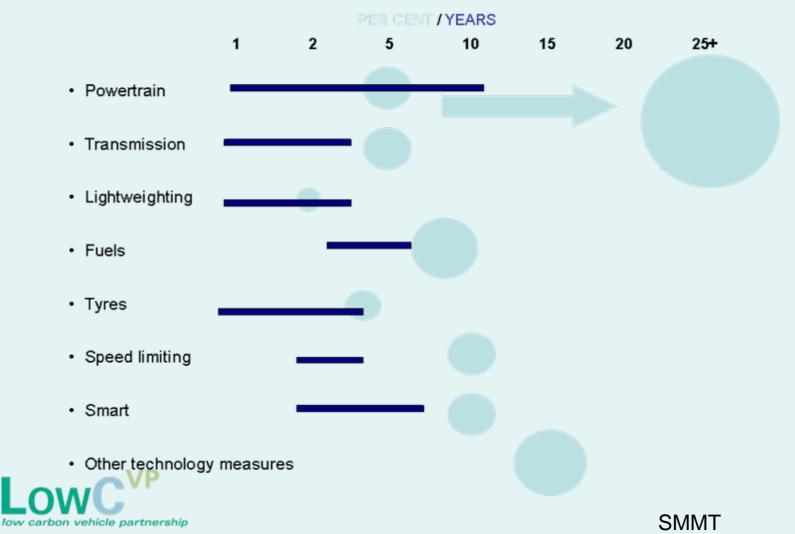
Greatest improvement in articulated vehicles

- Light artics -26%
- Heavy artics 21%

□ Rigid vehicles efficiency has worsened since 1990 (+ 4%)

### A range of technologies exist to improve vehicle efficiency

#### **OPPORTUNITIES FOR CARBON SAVINGS IN VANS**

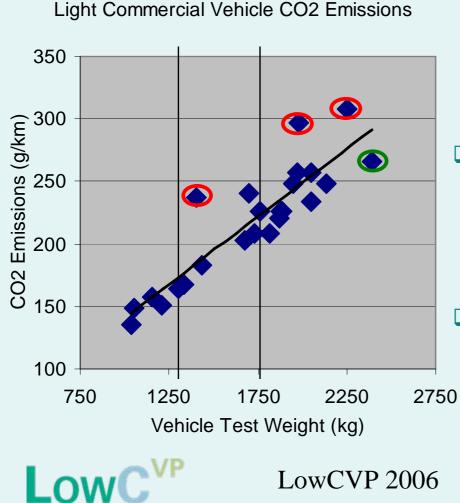


## A limited range of low carbon commercial vehicles are available





## Policies will increasingly differentiate between vehicles with good and poor efficiency



Sticks

- EU Vans legislation (2008)
- CO2 emissions from Commercial Vehicles Directive (2009?)

Carrots

- UK low carbon public procurement programme
- Public Procurement Directive (2007)

#### Research / information

- DfT vans research (2008)
- Publication of van test data (2008)

#### **Summary**

- □ "Warming of the climate system is unequivocal.."
- A strong successor to Kyoto is looking increasingly likely
- □ The EU and UK are leading demands for global emissions reductions
- To date, commercial vehicles have been largely unimpacted by carbon constraints, but:
  - Transport and commercial vehicles specifically are a growing and important source of GHG emissions
  - Public pressure and corporate responsibility is increasingly demanding lower carbon intensity freight movement
  - Road haulage is a highly carbon intensive mode
  - Efficiency improvements to date are modest
- Truck / van brands will increasingly differentiate their performance based upon their efficiency
- Market niches for different van and commercial vehicle applications are developing and models are needed tailored to different applications
- □ Future emissions regulations are highly likely
- The Eco-Van/Lorry Challenge is an important initiative to stimulate innovation



In Mahatma Gandhi's words:

### "Be the change you want to see in the world"



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