A Meta Study of India's Transport Emissions Analyses'

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Study boundaries

Scenarios under different models

Models	Transport model	BAU	Mitigation scenarios	
			Moderate	High Ambition
CEEW	Global Change Analysis Model (GCAM)			
CSTEP	Transport activity wise India Multi-region			
CSTEP	Demand Model			
IRADE	Activity Analysis Model	BAU	New Policy	High Ambition
PNNL	GCAM			
TERI	Transport Demand Model			
ICCT	India Emissions Model (IEM)	BAU	Moderate	High Ambition
IEA	Mobility model*	-	Stated policy	Sustainable
				Development
ITF	ITF*	Current Ambition	_	High Ambition

^{*}Limited data available















Scenario description

Modelling team	BAU	Moderate scenario	High Ambition
SGWG (CEEW, PNNL, CSTEP, TERI, IRADE)	No further policy action considered; however, some of the models do incorporate certain improvements	New Policy: This scenario presupposes that policy targets, as announced by Gol are fully effective	High Ambition: This scenario considers that the policy targets set out by the Gol are exceeded
ICCT	No further policy actioned considered, however near term legislated improvements are incorporated	Expresses moderate effort scenario	This scenario incorporates ambitious decarbonisation policies
IEA	-	Stated Policy: This scenario incorporates policy ambitions and targets that have been legislated for or announced by Gol and by other governments around the world.	Sustainable Development Scenario: In the SDS, India is on track to reach net zero emissions in the mid-2060s.
ITF	Current Ambition: In this scenario current and announced mitigation policies are implemented	-	High Ambition: This scenario incorporates more ambitious decarbonisation policies









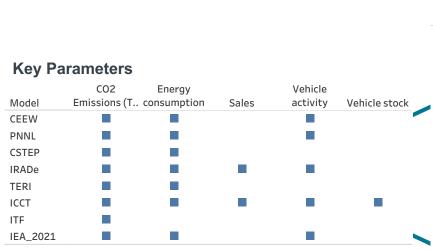


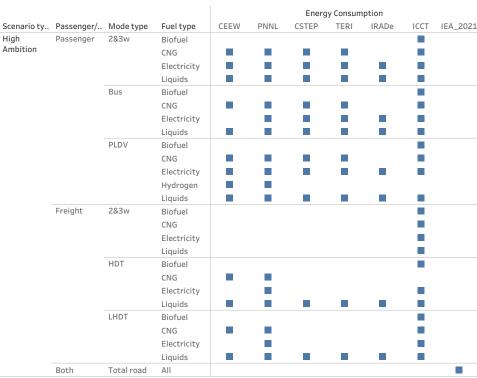




Analysis and level of disaggregation

Eg. Energy consumption > High Ambition scenario











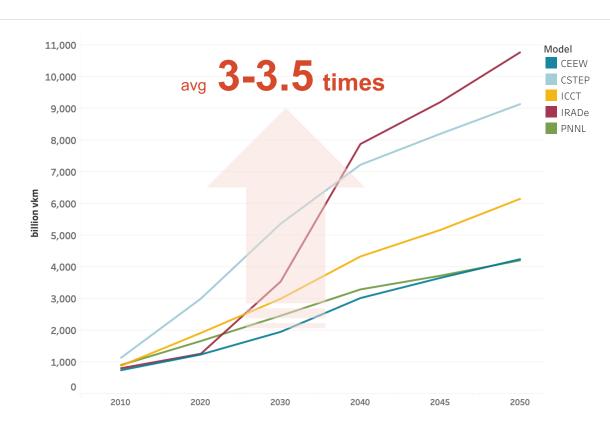








The BAU: Unabated vehicular activity



Average VKT:

- 2020 ~1.8 Trillion

- 2050 ~ 7 Trillion







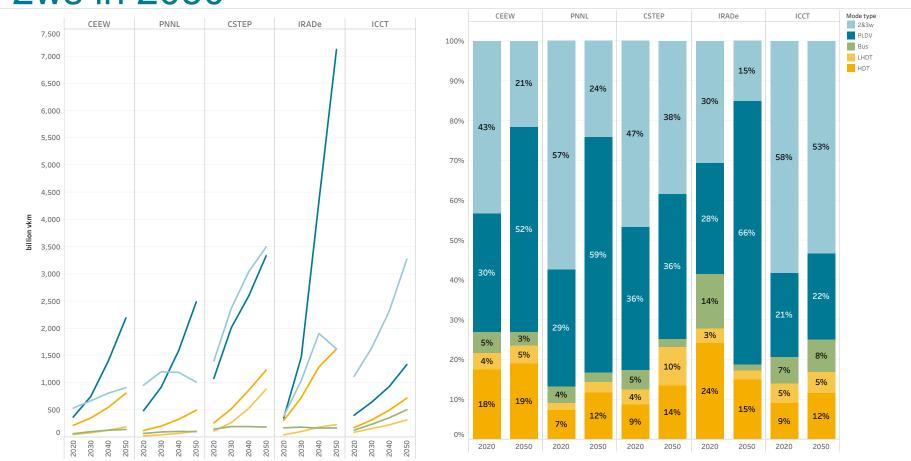




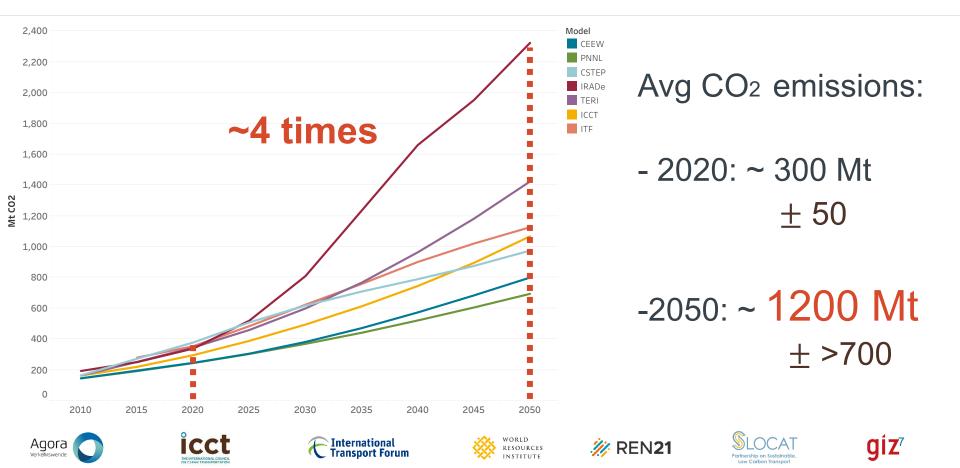




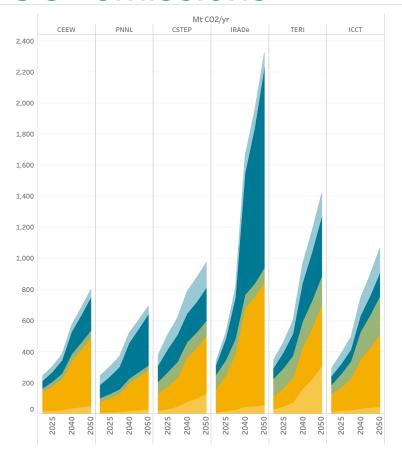
80% vehicle activity to be contributed by Cars & 2ws in 2050

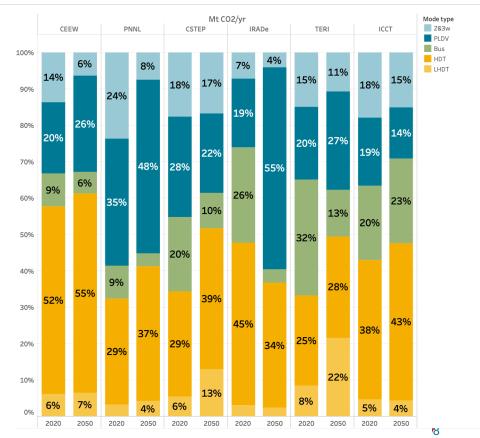


CO₂ emissions (TTW) continue to grow...

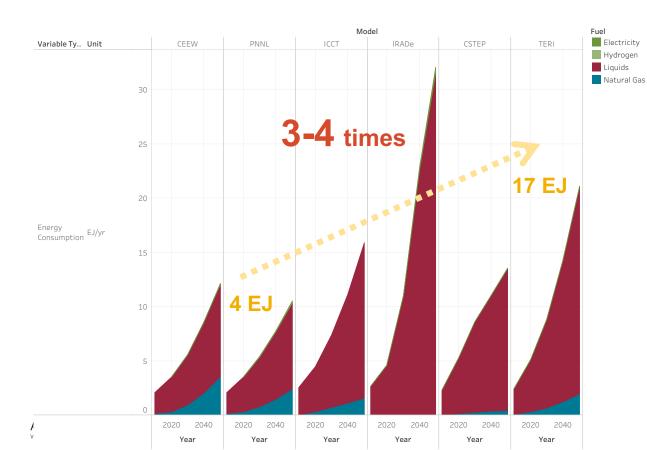


Heavy duty trucks & Cars – key contributors to CO₂ emissions





Heavy dependence on petroleum...



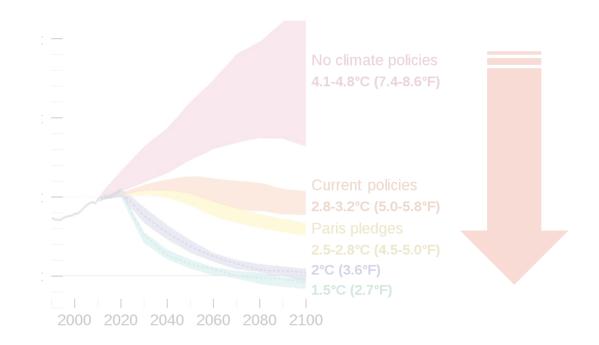
Other fuel sources

- CNG
- IPG
- Biofuels
- Electricity
- Hydrogen





Mitigation scenarios









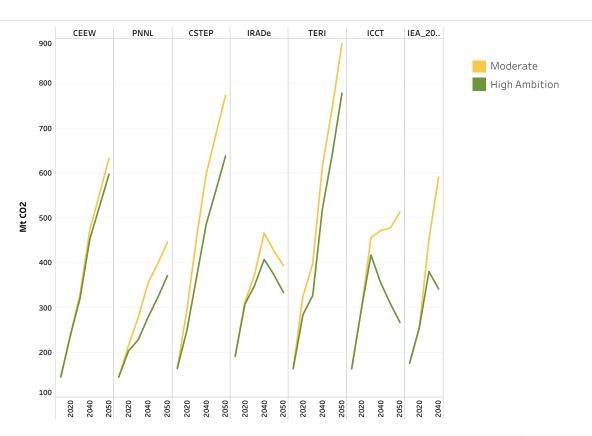








Moderate vs. High Ambition Scenarios

















High Ambition Scenario: Key interventions

Electrification in 2050 (sales)

Modes	ICCT*	SCWCT	IEA (#2040)
2w		80%	-
3w	100%	100%	-
PLDV		30%	90%#
Bus	95%	40%	
LHDT	100%		-
MHDT	90%	0%	-
HHDT	90 70		-
All	~100%	-	86%#

Efficiency improvements

	ICCT*	SGWG+
Annual reduction	1-3% between 2021-50	1.8-2.7% between 2021-30

Biofuel blending in 2050

% Biofuel in	ICCT & SGWG+
Petrol	20%
Diesel	5%

Lower travel demand

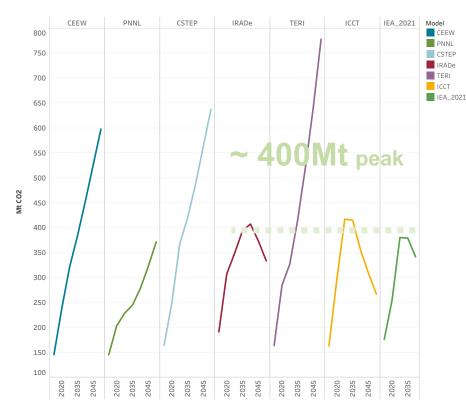
	ICCT	SGWG+
Reduction in	Not considered #	-15% till 2030 - 20% till 2050 from
vkm		2015 levels

SGWG+: CEEW, PNNL, CSTEP, TERI, IRADE; represents highest ambition; not all interventions were adopted by all models. Eg. no electrification adopted by CEEW & CSTEP; *Grid decarbonisation also considered; - Data Not Available with us; # the numbers for IEA correspond with the horizon period of 2040

BAU v. High Ambition – increase in share of vehicle activity of Heavy duty trucks



2050 CO₂ emissions to rise (>600 Mt) or reverse (~250 Mt) under High Ambition scenario?



Trajectory 1: Rising emissions

~600-750 Mt by 2050

- Trajectory 2: Reversal in emissions
 - Peaking by 2030/40

 ~ 250 Mt by 2050







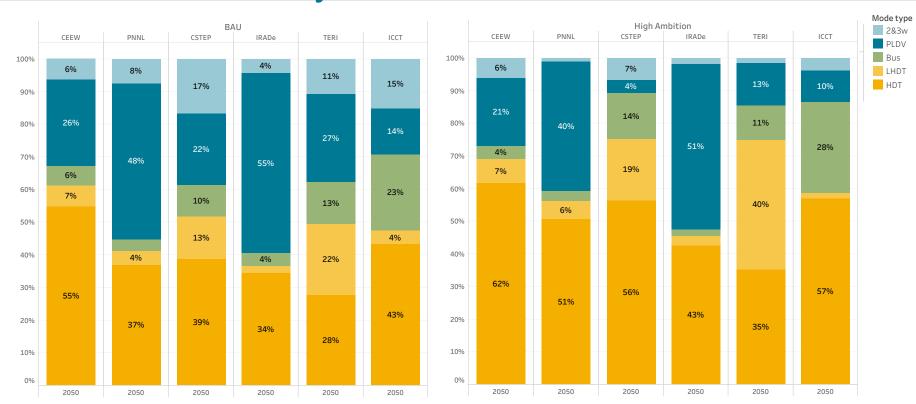








Heavy duty trucks to contribute to over half the CO₂ emissions by 2050









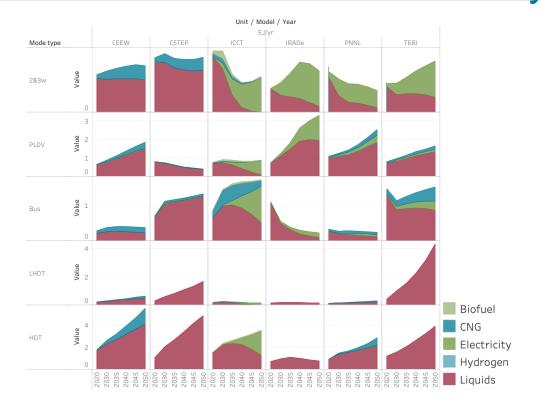








Energy consumption in 2050: 100% 2&3w, >60% Buses & Cars to run on Electricity

















High Ambition far from net zero

- Aggressive electrification & continued efficiency improvements lead to reversal in emission trends
- Passenger vehicles would likely** decarbonize
- Freight vehicles would be difficult** to decarbonize















Sum up

- BAU highly Undesirable
- Current High Ambition scenarios fall far
 short of carbon neutrality by 2050















Call for...

Highest possible effort

- Aggressive electrification
- Transport specific mitigation targets in next round of NDCs















