

The UK's 2035 Nationally Determined Contribution emissions reduction target under the Paris Agreement

Statement made on 12 November 2024

Statement UIN HCWS206

Statement made by



Ed Miliband

Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero

Labour

Doncaster North

Commons



Statement

On Tuesday 12 November at the 29th UNFCCC conference of the parties (COP29) in Baku, the Prime Minister will announce the UK's 2035 Nationally Determined Contribution (NDC) under the [Paris Agreement](#). This will commit the UK to reducing economy-wide greenhouse gas emissions by at least 81% by 2035, compared to 1990 levels, excluding emissions from international aviation and shipping.

The 2035 NDC is based on [advice](#) from the independent Climate Change Committee (CCC). It is a clear progression on the UK's previous NDC pledging to reduce emissions by at least 68% by 2030. It was informed by the outcomes of the Global Stocktake from COP28 and is aligned with limiting global warming to 1.5 °C. It is aligned with the level of ambition in Carbon Budget 6 (2033-37) on the pathway to net zero by 2050.

The headline target will be followed by submission of the detail underpinning the NDC – known as Information to facilitate Clarity, Transparency and Understanding (ICTU) – to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change ahead of the February 2025 deadline. A copy of the ICTU will be laid in the Houses of Parliament.

The UK's early and ambitious NDC will help restore our global climate leadership and encourage greater ambition from other countries. It is one important part of the UK's overall contribution to global emissions reductions, alongside our International Climate Finance and other support.

Globally, the world is way off track from meeting the Paris Agreement temperature goal. Climate action must be accelerated drastically to reduce emissions and keep the annual average global temperature rise below 1.5°C. The ambition and delivery of the next round of NDCs, due to be submitted to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) by February 2025 and implemented in the 2030s, will be critical in enabling this.

The UK's domestic action is the first crucial step to restoring UK international leadership on Climate Change. The clean energy transition is also the economic opportunity of the 21st century and will support the creation of hundreds of thousands of good jobs across the UK, protect our economy from future price shocks, while delivering a range of social and health benefits.

That is why making Britain a clean energy superpower is one of the five missions of this Government – delivering clean power by 2030 and accelerating to net zero across the economy.

Statement from

Department for Energy Security and Net Zero



Linked statements

This statement has also been made in the House of Lords

Department for Energy Security and Net Zero



The UK's 2035 Nationally Determined Contribution emissions reduction target under the Paris Agreement



[Lord Hunt of Kings Heath](#)

Minister of State (Minister for Energy Security and Net Zero)

Labour, Life peer

Statement made 12 November 2024

HLWS204

Lords

© UK Parliament 2025

[Cookie policy](#)

[Cookie settings](#)

[Privacy notice](#)

[Accessibility statement](#)