



## Transport sector climate action co-benefit evaluation tool

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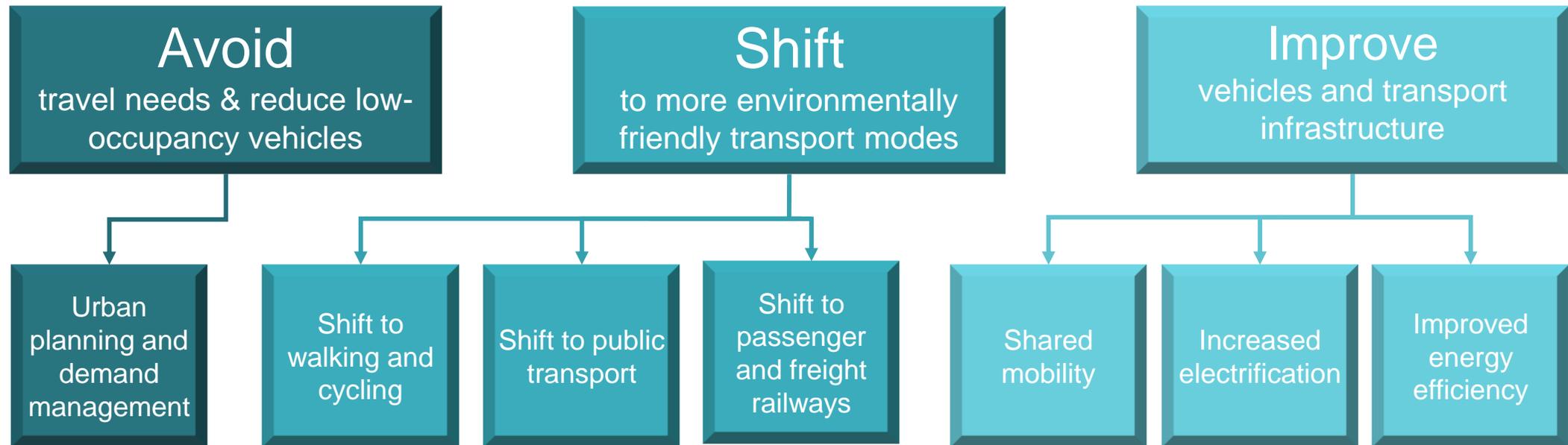
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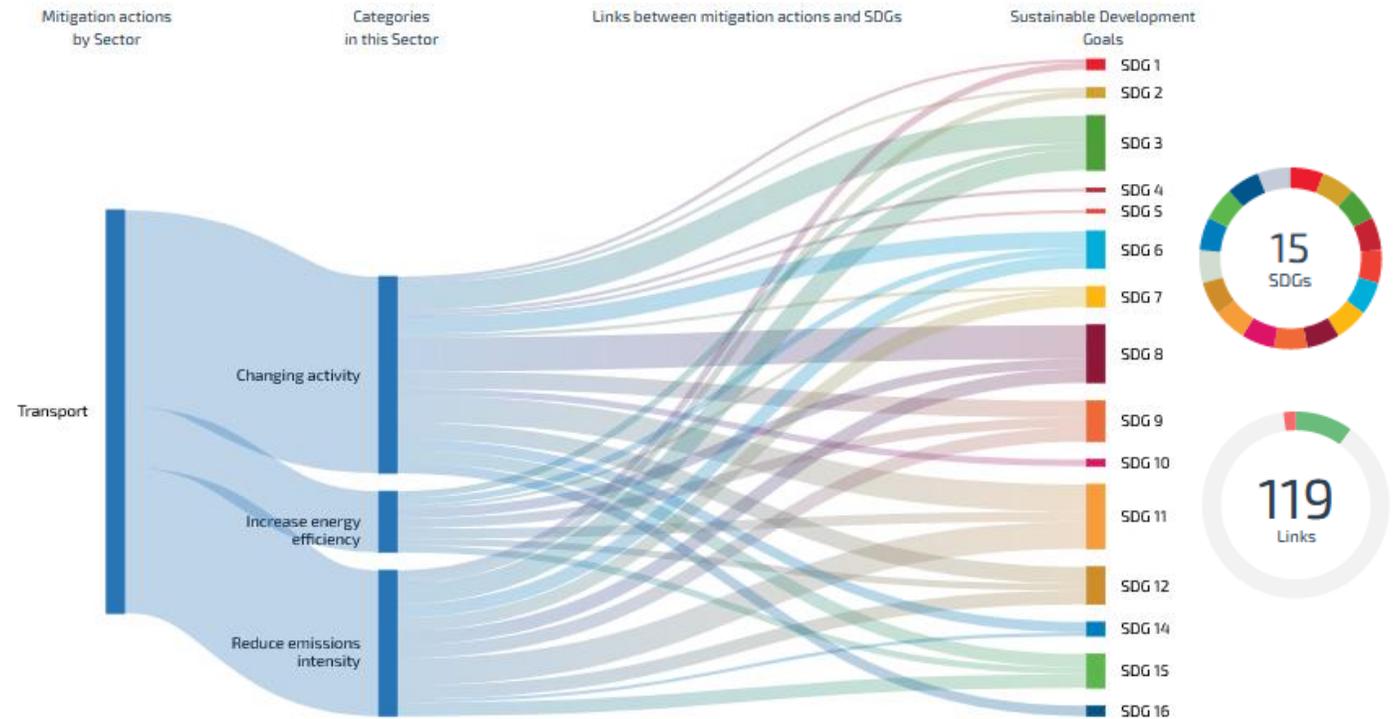


# Mapping of decarbonisation measures



# Linkages between climate action in the transport sector and the Sustainable Development Goals

- » Decarbonising the transport sector can impact a number of Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) mostly offering benefits
- » Sustainable mobility has direct links to several SDGs and is an important enabler for many additional ones



Derived from [SDG Climate Action Nexus tool \(SCAN-tool\)](#)

# Linkages with specific SDGs and their targets



## GOAL 3: Good Health and Well-being

- » By 2030, substantially reduce the number of deaths and illnesses from hazardous chemicals and air, water and soil pollution and contamination
- » By 2030, halve the number of global deaths and injuries from road traffic accidents



## GOAL 11: Sustainable Cities and Communities

- » By 2030, provide access to safe, affordable, accessible and sustainable transport systems for all, improving road safety, notably by expanding public transport
- » By 2030, reduce the adverse per capita environmental impact of cities, including by paying special attention to air quality
- » Support positive economic, social and environmental links between urban, peri-urban and rural areas by strengthening national and regional development planning



## GOAL 9: Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure

- » Develop quality, reliable, sustainable and resilient infrastructure to support economic development and human well-being, with a focus on affordable and equitable access for all



## GOAL 8: Promote sustainable economic growth and decent work for all

- » By 2030, achieve full and productive employment and decent work for all women and men, including for young people and persons with disabilities.

# Climate action co-benefits quantified in TRACE



## Congestion (travel time)

Reducing the volume of traffic on roads – such as through reducing journeys, increasing vehicle occupancy, shifting to mass (public) transport and more active travel – can limit travel times and lead to important economic benefits through raising productivity as well as leisure time.



## Road accidents

Reducing the volume of traffic on roads can limit the number of accidents between vehicles and with cyclists and pedestrians. However, less congested roadways with faster flowing traffic can increase the severity of the accidents that do occur.



## Fuel savings

Reducing vehicle journeys, increasing vehicle occupancy, shifting to mass (public) transport, using more efficient vehicles as well as electrifying the transport fleet can all serve to reduce spending on gasoline and diesel products; providing users with economic savings.

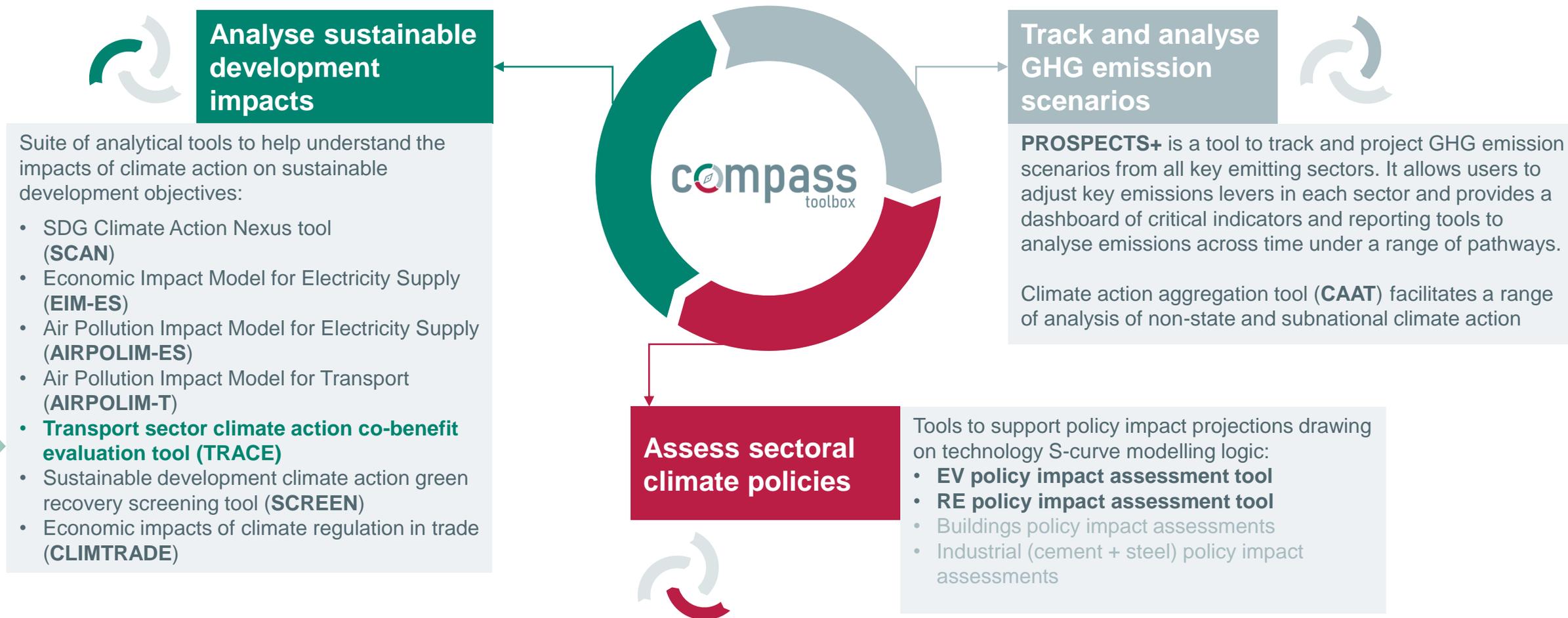


## Air pollution health impacts

Reducing vehicle journeys, increasing vehicle occupancy, shifting to mass (public) transport, using more efficient vehicles as well as electrifying the transport fleet all reduce local air pollutants with direct health benefits for those living and working in cities as well as reducing public health costs.

Modelled in AIRPOLIM-T and included w/ soft link

# COMPASS: navigating climate action impacts





# Overview of TRACE

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Understanding data  
requirements, calculations and  
outputs

# Introducing TRACE

TRACE assesses wider benefits of decarbonising urban transportation. Co-benefits and related cost reductions are often not taken into account in decision processes, likely because they are not easy to capture. TRACE enables a better understanding of these additional benefits, which can support a paradigm shift from ‘effort sharing’ the global burden of tackling climate change to a degree of ‘opportunity sharing’ the positive impacts of decarbonisation at a more local level.

TRACE quantifies and monetises key co-benefits of decarbonisation pathways for the urban transport sector. Rather than an in-depth analysis of the impacts, the tool signals key opportunities, highlights how they derive from climate action and points to where further assessment may be helpful to develop compelling policy instruments that can deliver ambitious climate action and provide important contributions to a range of sustainable development objectives. TRACE includes a dashboard to easily compare the impact assessment between emission reduction pathways, highlighting cost savings for key co-benefits between a “business-as-usual” scenario and decarbonisation scenarios.

We recommend using TRACE in addition to decarbonisation pathway modelling. TRACE does not model the transport sector pathways themselves, but complements existing tools by facilitating analysis of the broader impacts associated with such pathways.

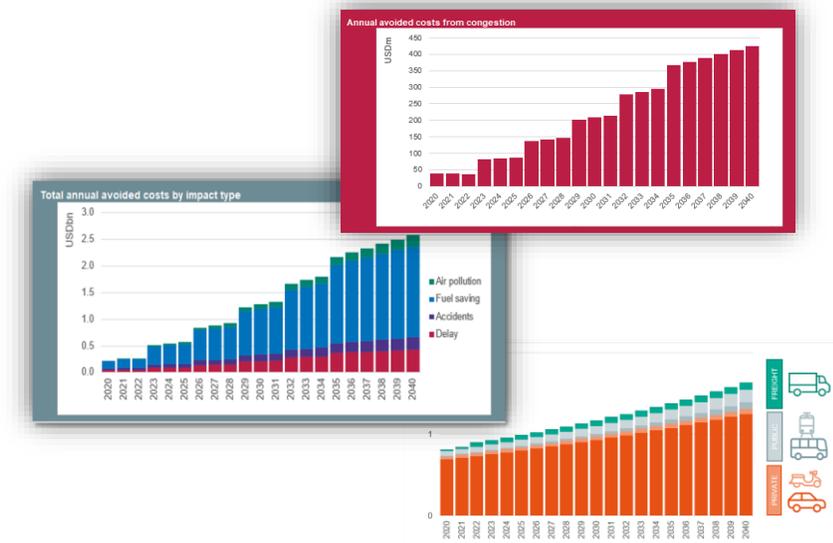
## Results comparison sheet

Go to:



Select scenarios to compare:

Scenario 1	Baseline	1
Scenario 2	Shift	2



# Transport sector climate action co-benefit evaluation tool // TRACE



Tool to quantitatively estimate selected socioeconomic impacts of climate action in the transport sector



User-friendly Excel model facilitating a comparison of benefits of future transport sector scenario pathways



Urban transport focus for avoid, shift, improve mitigation measures (modelled separately)

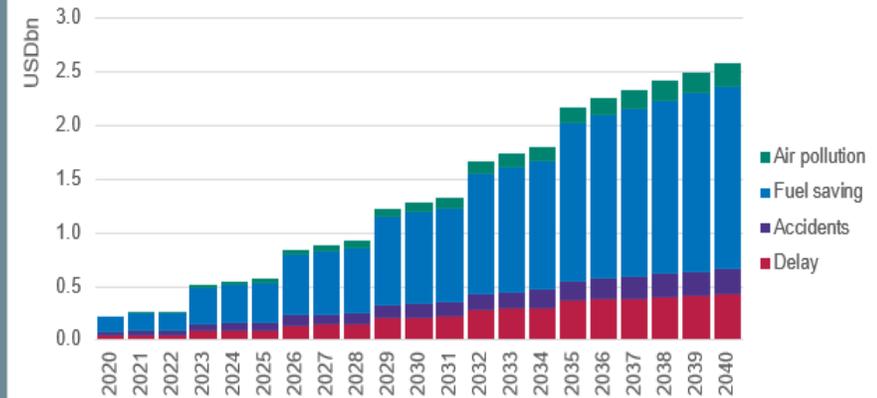


Forward-looking impact assessment to inform decisions taken today



Assessment of impacts across a range of co-benefits: congestion, accidents, fuel saving and health

Total annual avoided costs by impact type



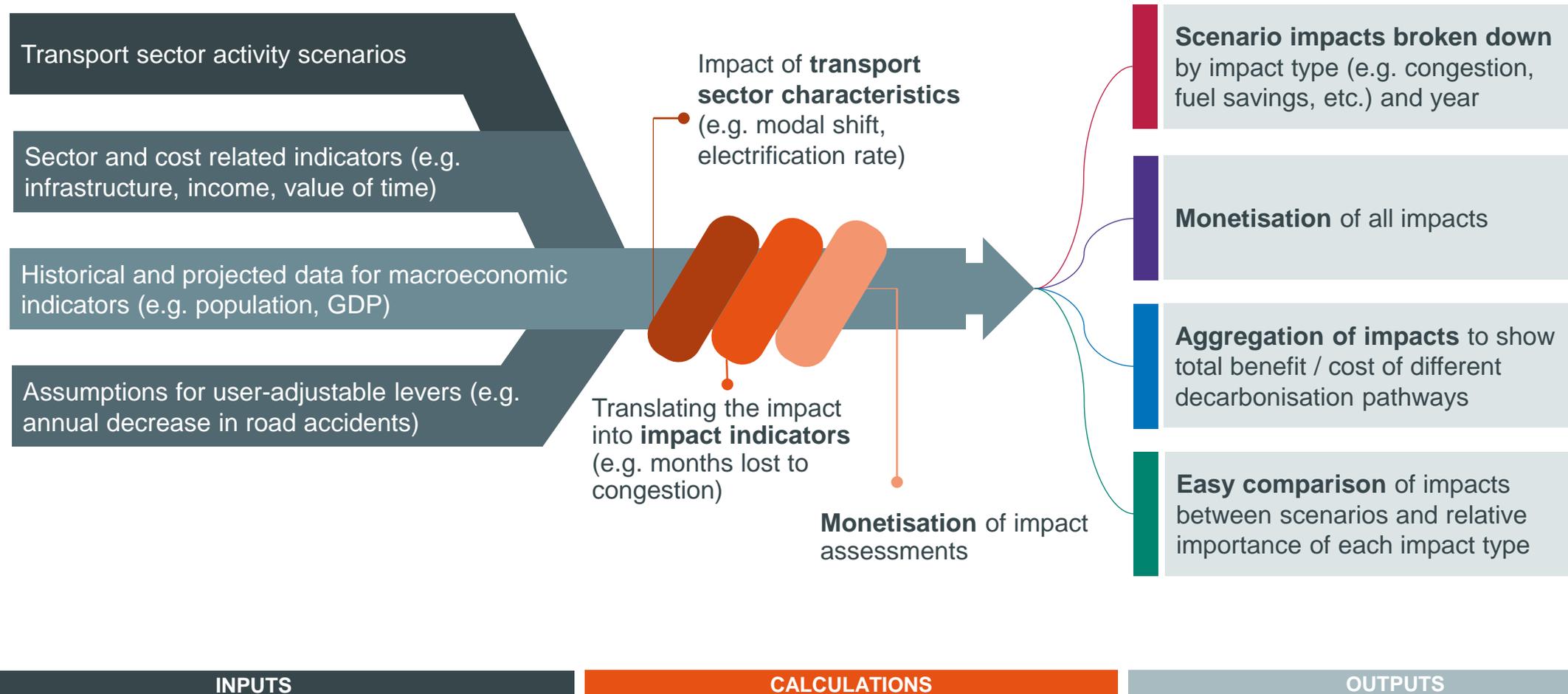
**3,992**  
million hours saved  
**4,700**  
USD million saved

**55,000**  
million Lge saved  
**18,900**  
USD million saved

**2,700**  
USD million saved

**57,800**  
Premature deaths avoided  
**2,100**  
USD million saved

# TRACE inputs, calcs and outputs



# Modelled scenarios for the urban transport sector are a key input to TRACE

- » TRACE takes modelled scenarios for urban transport system(s) as a starting point
- » These can be derived from modelling tools such as PROSPECTS+, CTI, LEAP (and others)
- » Depending on the format of the urban transport modelling, data may require pre-processing to match data input fields within TRACE

## Transport sector pathways

Use this sheet to input general data on the urban transport sector pathway for the scenario  
The scenario data in this sheet is used across the calculations for different impact types

General input data		Unit	2020	2021
Population	Population	k people	10,000	10,200
GDP	GDP	USDk	50,000,000	52,500,000
GDP / capita	GDP / capita	USD /capita	5,000	5,147

Transport activity by transport mode and fuel type				Unit	2020	2021
Activity	Walking		ActivityWalking	pkm		
Activity	Cycling		ActivityCycling	pkm		
Activity	LDV	Electricity	ActivityLDVElectricity	pkm		
Activity	LDV	Diesel	ActivityLDVDiesel	pkm		
Activity	LDV	Gasoline	ActivityLDVGasoline	pkm	100,000,000,000	103,000,000,000
Activity	LDV	CNG-LPG	ActivityLDVCNG-LPG	pkm		
Activity	2W	Electricity	Activity2WElectricity	pkm		
Activity	2W	Diesel	Activity2WDiesel	pkm		
Activity	2W	Gasoline	Activity2WGasoline	pkm	5,000,000,000	5,150,000,000
Activity	2W	CNG-LPG	Activity2WCNG-LPG	pkm		
Activity	Bus	Electricity	ActivityBusElectricity	pkm		
Activity	Bus	Diesel	ActivityBusDiesel	pkm	2,000,000,000	2,200,000,000
Activity	Bus	Gasoline	ActivityBusGasoline	pkm	2,000,000,000	2,200,000,000
Activity	Bus	CNG-LPG	ActivityBusCNG-LPG	pkm		

Vehicle occupancy		Unit	2020	2021
Occupancy	LDV	OccupancyLDV	1.8	1.8
Occupancy	2W	Occupancy2W	1.2	1.2
Occupancy	Bus	OccupancyBus	50.0	50.0
Occupancy	Light rail	OccupancyLight rail	100.0	100.0
Occupancy	HDV large	OccupancyHDV large	1.0	1.0
Occupancy	HDV small	OccupancyHDV small	1.0	1.0
Occupancy	Small cargo	OccupancySmall cargo	1.0	1.0

Load factor		Unit	2020	2021
Load	HDV large	LoadHDV large	10.0	10.0
Load	HDV small	LoadHDV small	1.0	1.0
Load	Small cargo	LoadSmall cargo	0.2	0.2

Average annual distance travelled		Unit	2020	2021
Distance	LDV	DistanceLDV	15,000	15,000
Distance	2W	Distance2W	8,000	8,000
Distance	Bus	DistanceBus	40,000	40,000
Distance	Light rail	DistanceLight rail	30,000	30,000
Distance	HDV large	DistanceHDV large		
Distance	HDV small	DistanceHDV small		
Distance	Small cargo	DistanceSmall cargo		



Walking



Cycling



Two and three wheelers



LDV (light-duty vehicles)



Buses



Light rail (metros & trams)



HDV (heavy-duty vehicles) large



HDV small



Small cargo

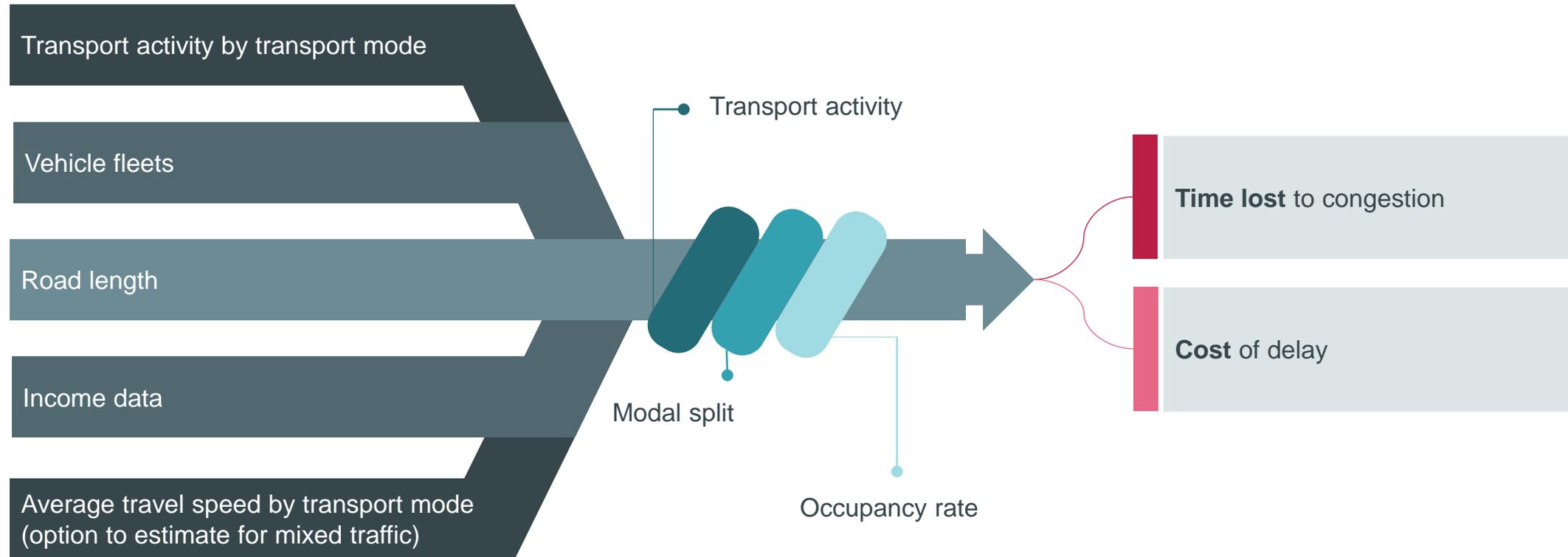


# Assessing impacts

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Methods by impact type

# Congestion impact assessment



# Congestion: calculation steps



## STEP 1

Estimate average delay per kilometre based on variables, including e.g. cars per capita, road capacity and GDP, and default coefficients for their impact on delay



## STEP 2

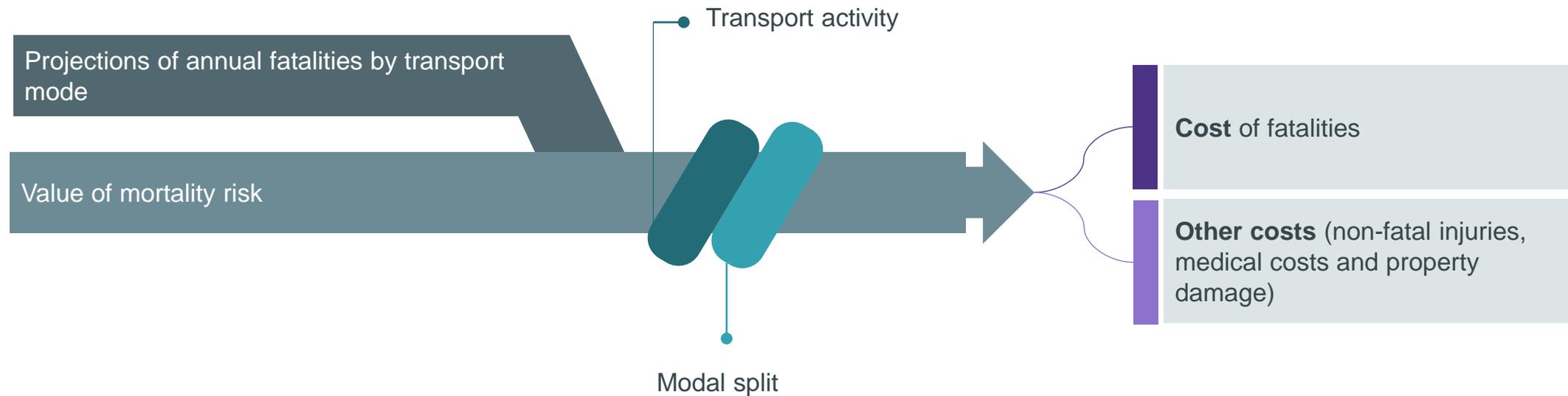
Estimate total delay by transport mode using activity information, such as annual distance travelled and vehicle occupancy rates



## STEP 3

Convert delays into congestion costs based on a valuation of travel time

# Road accidents impact assessment



INPUTS

LEVERS

OUTPUTS

# Road accidents: calculation steps



## STEP 1

Estimate/project road fatalities per transport mode over time



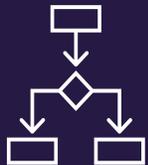
## STEP 2

Derive external cost of road accidents (including impact on other traffic participants)



## STEP 3

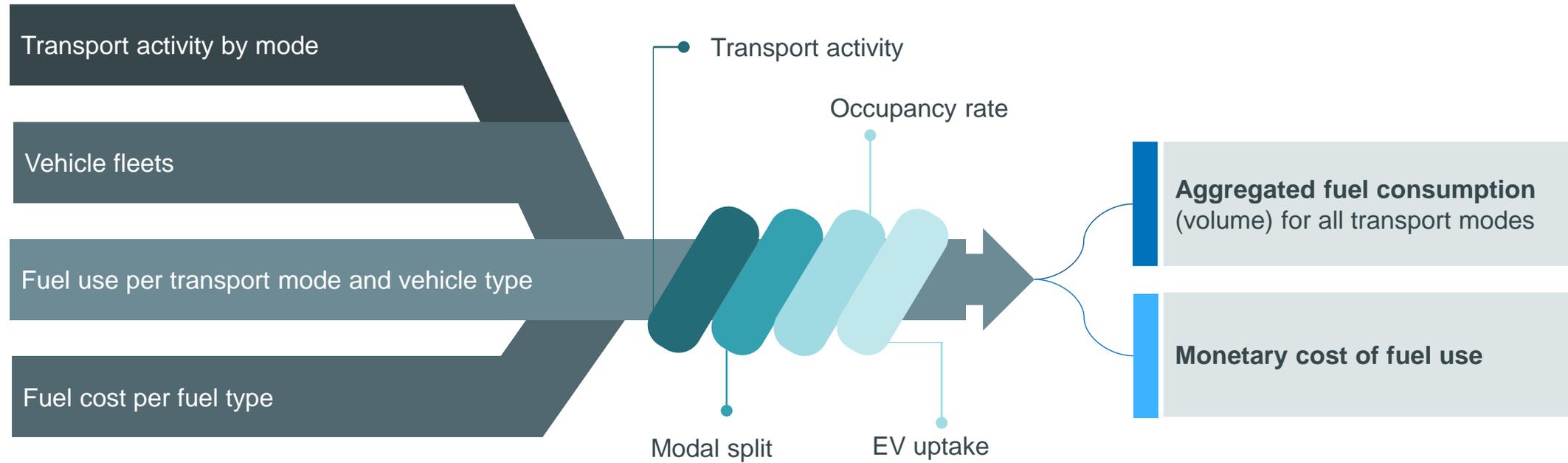
Monetise accidents based on the costs of fatalities



## STEP 4

Derive other non-fatal costs from road accidents, such as injury, medical costs and property damage

# Fuel savings impact assessment



INPUTS

LEVERS

OUTPUTS

# Fuel savings: calculation steps



## STEP 1

Convert fuel consumption into litres of gasoline equivalent (Lge) for all fuel types



## STEP 2

Calculate fuel consumption in Lge by transport mode



## STEP 3

Monetise fuel consumption

# Air pollution health impacts

compass  
toolbox

To include the health impacts of air pollution from transport sector emissions into TRACE, the tool can integrate results from NewClimate Institute's Air Pollution Impact Model for Transport (AIRPOLIM-T)

Integration of the results from the Air Pollution Impact Model for Transport (AIRPOLIM-T)

Transport activity

Fuel mix

Modal split

Health impacts, including  
**premature deaths** and **years of life lost**

Monetised health impacts

INPUTS

LEVERS

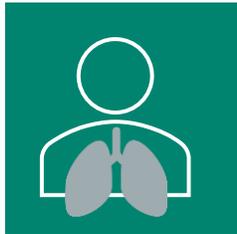
OUTPUTS

# Air pollution health impacts: calculation steps



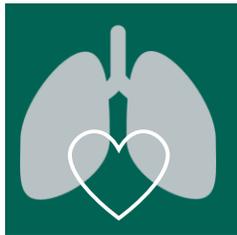
## STEP 1

Estimate air pollutant emissions



## STEP 2

Estimate the intake of air pollutants by the exposed population



## STEP 3

Apply dose-response functions and country-specific, age-weighted mortality rates



## STEP 4

Derive air pollution induced health impacts including premature deaths and years of life lost, and related costs



# Illustrative outputs

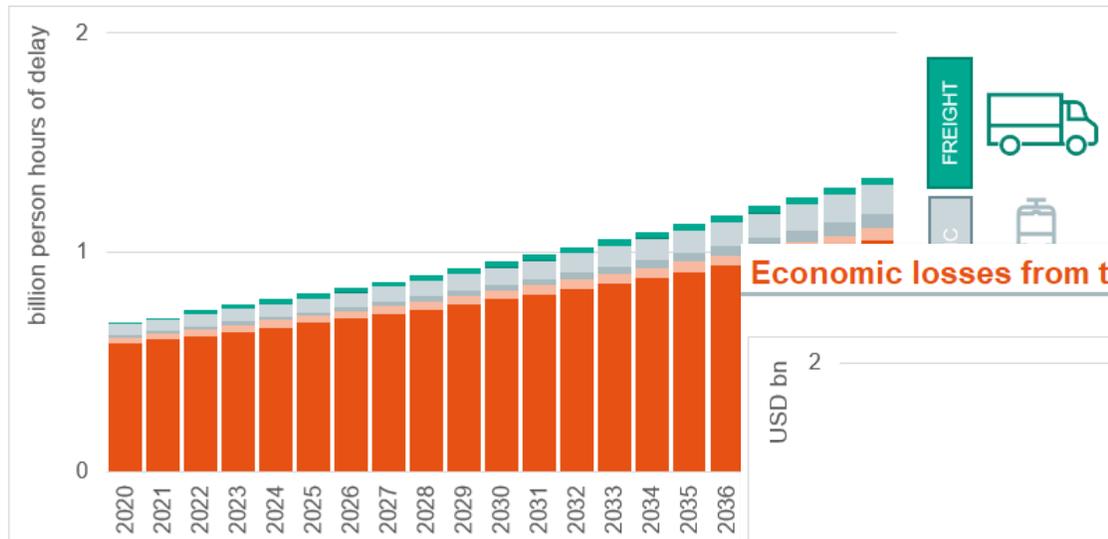
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Quantified co-benefits

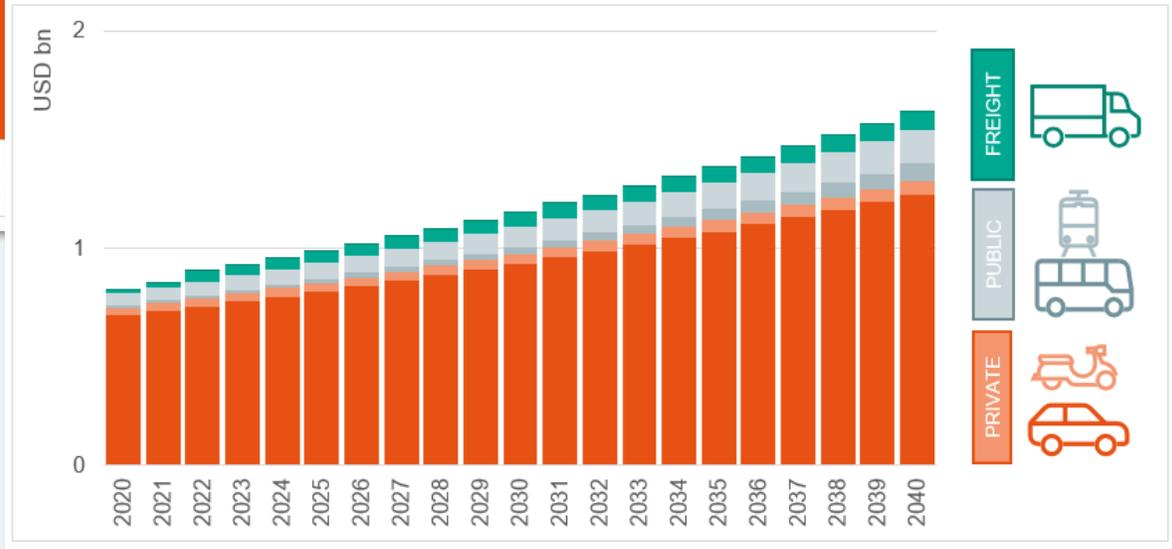
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Illustrative results

Time lost to congestion for all modelled urban areas



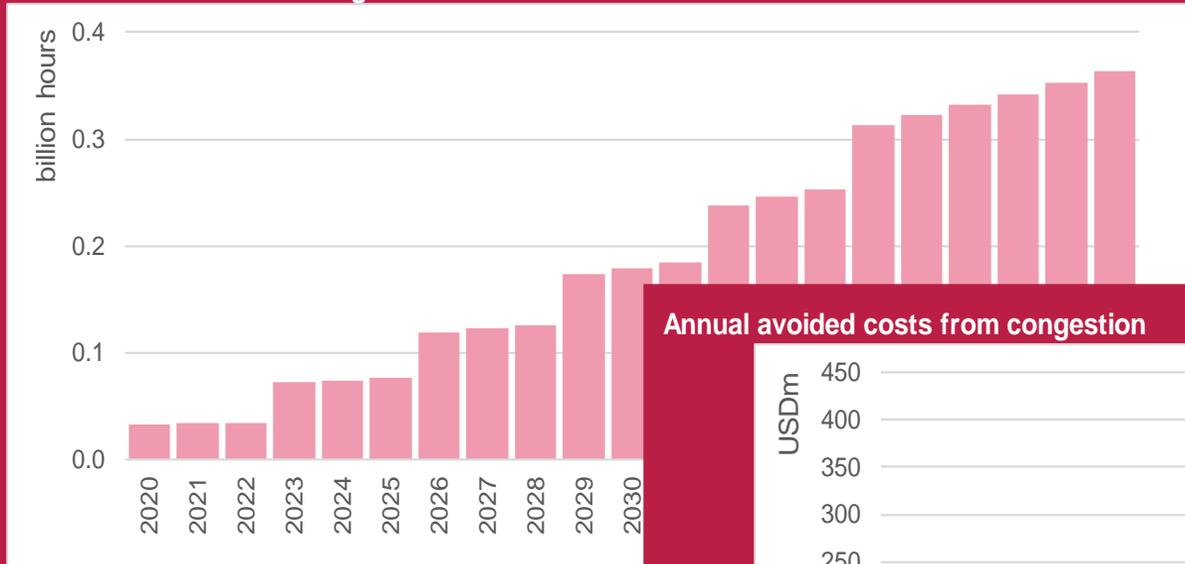
Economic losses from time lost to congestion for all modelled urban areas



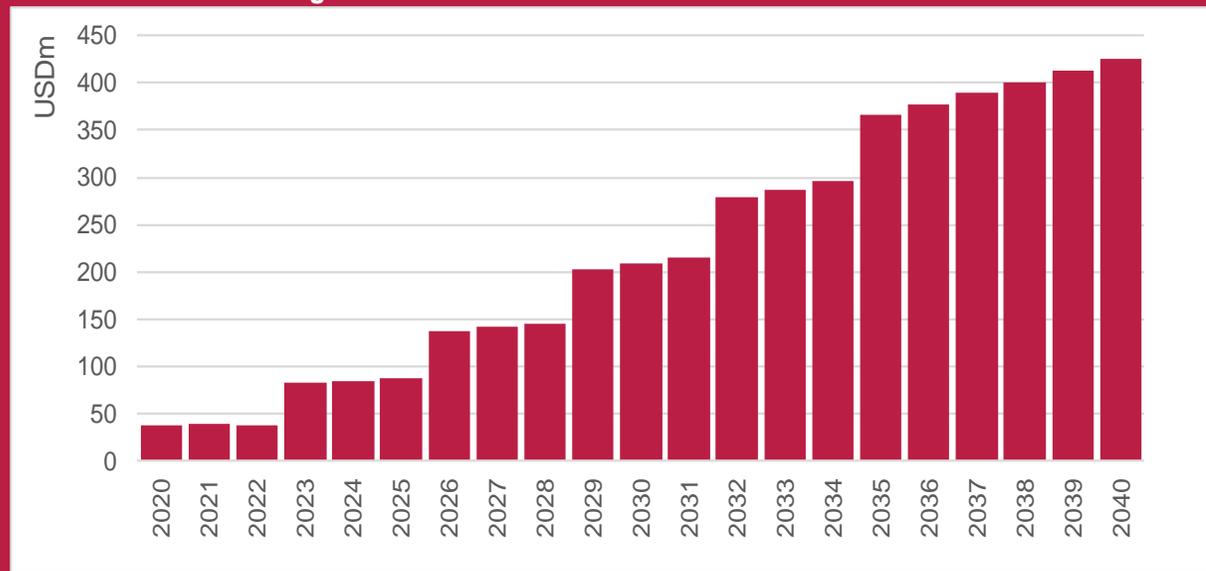
# Comparing scenario results: Congestion

Illustrative results

Annual avoided time lost in congestion



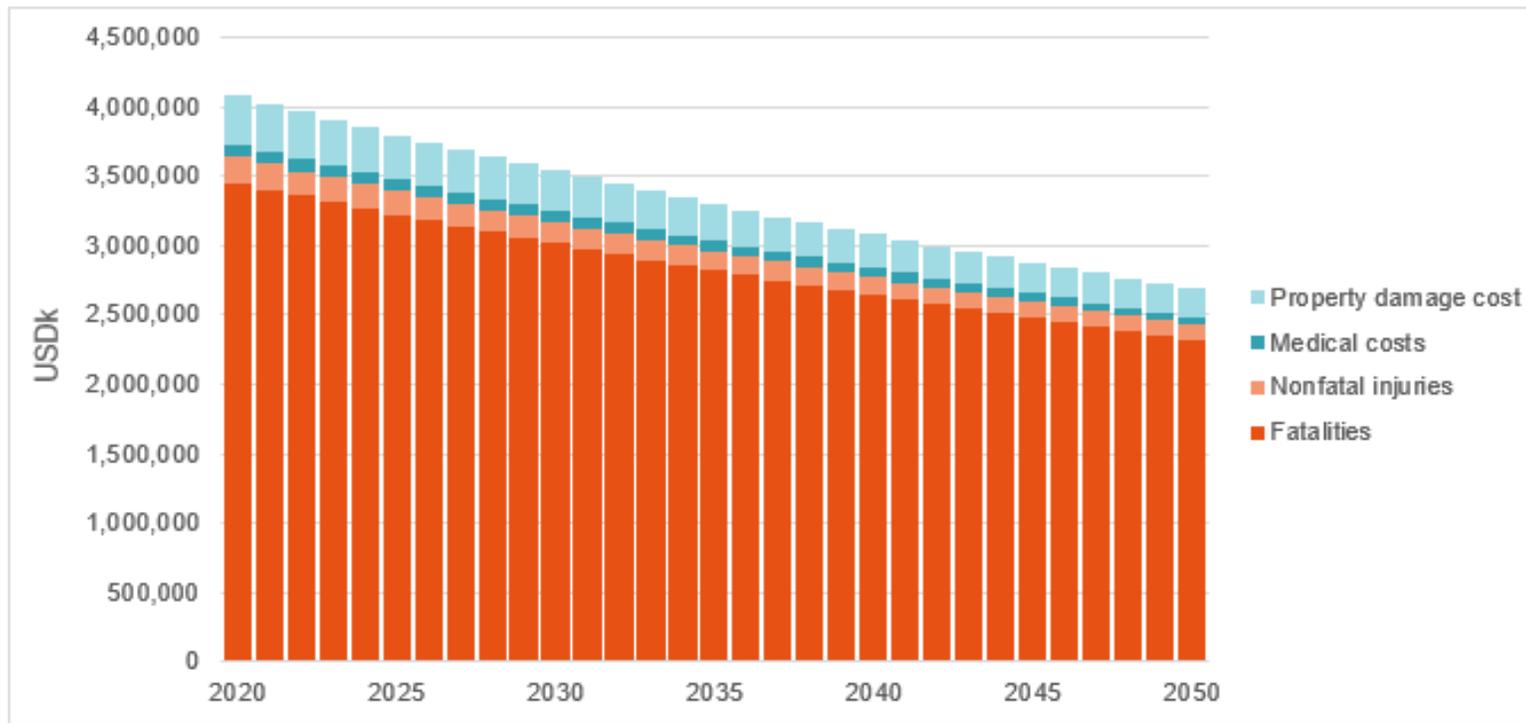
Annual avoided costs from congestion



# Scenario results: Road accidents

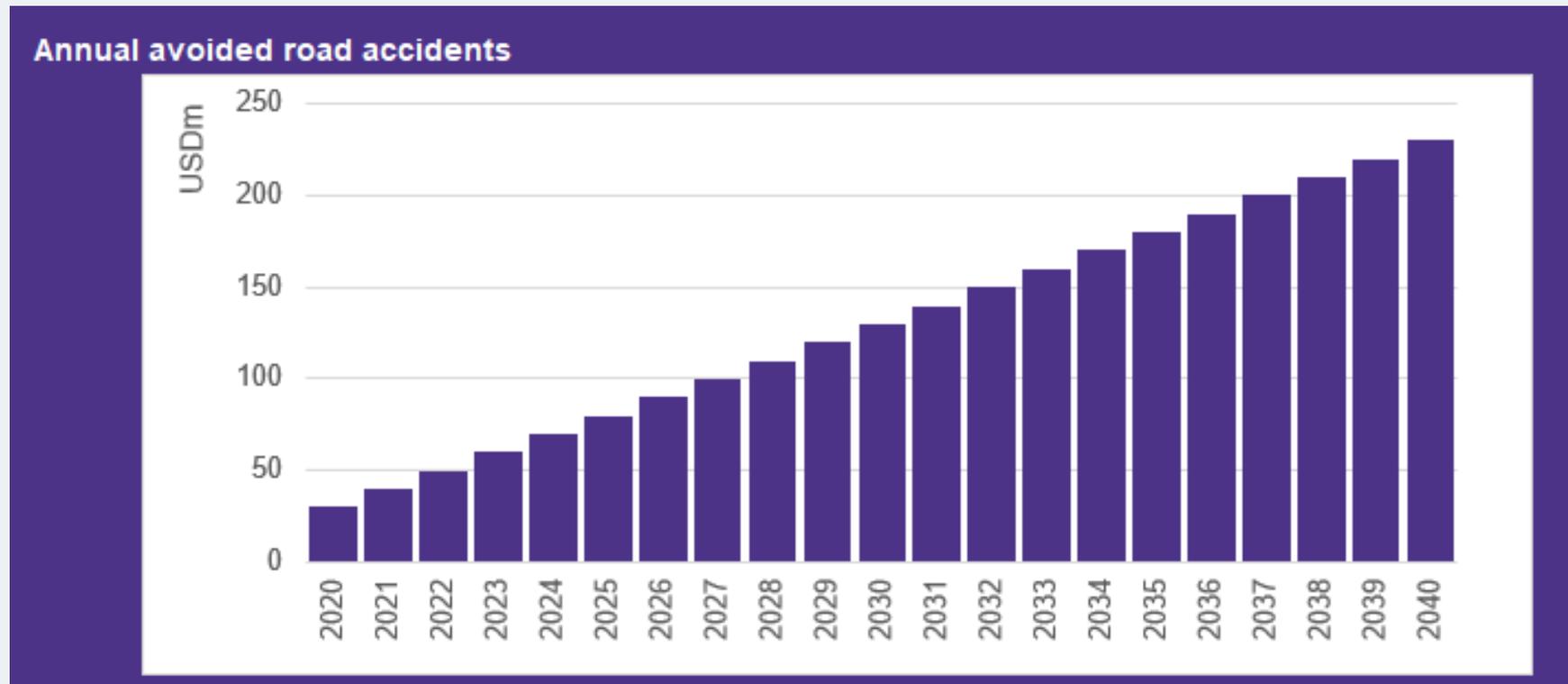
Illustrative results

Cost of road accidents by type of impact



# Comparing scenario results: Road accidents

Illustrative results



# Scenario results: Fuel savings

Illustrative results

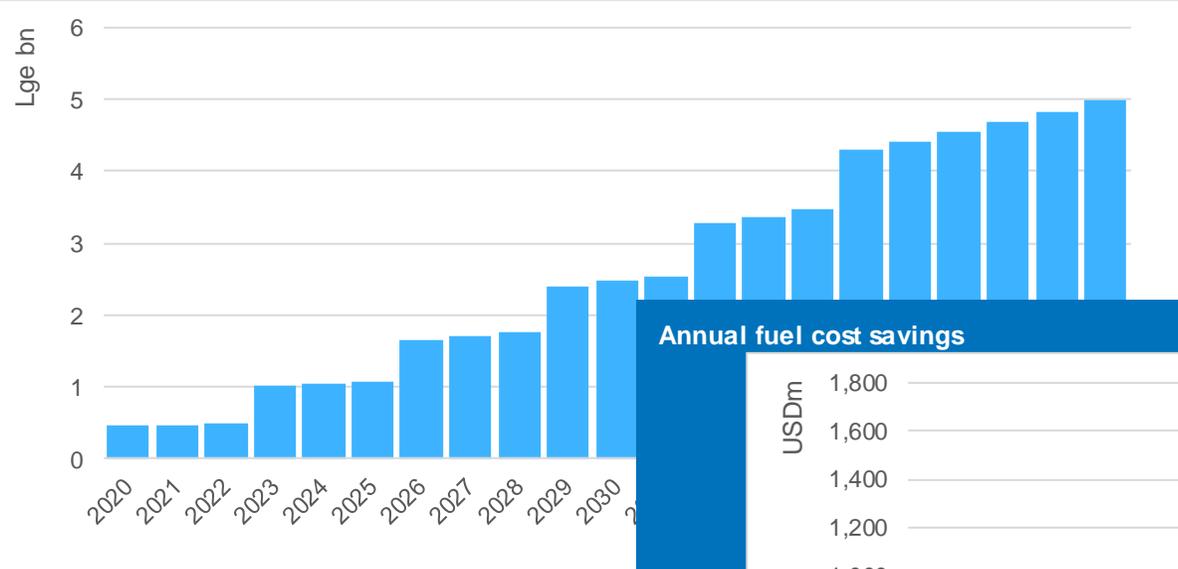
Annual fuel consumption and fuel cost



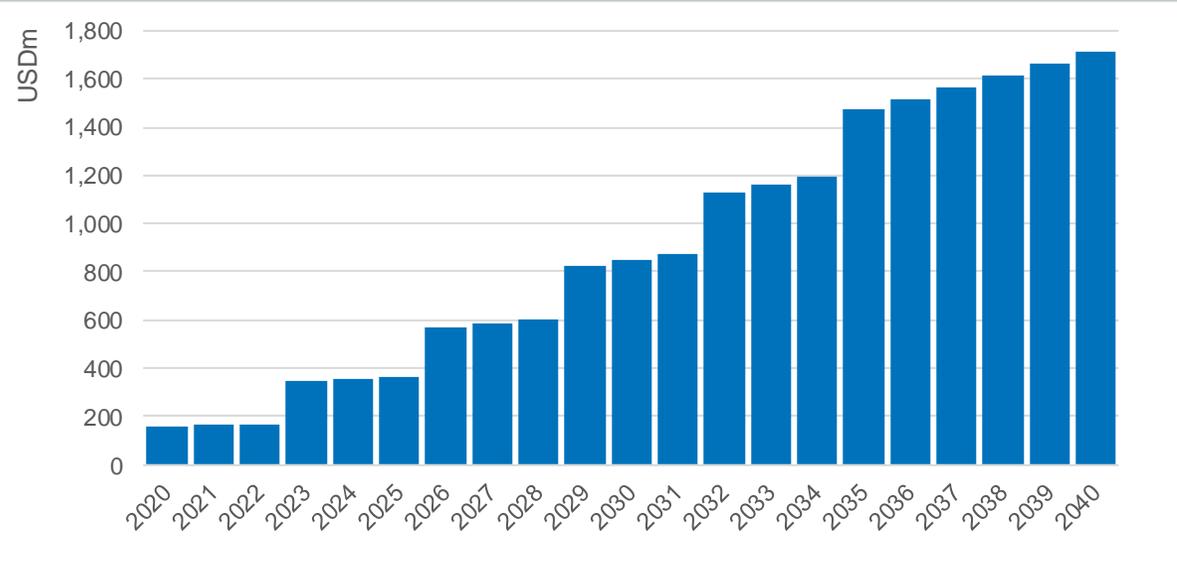
# Comparing scenario results: Fuel savings

Illustrative results

Annual fuel savings



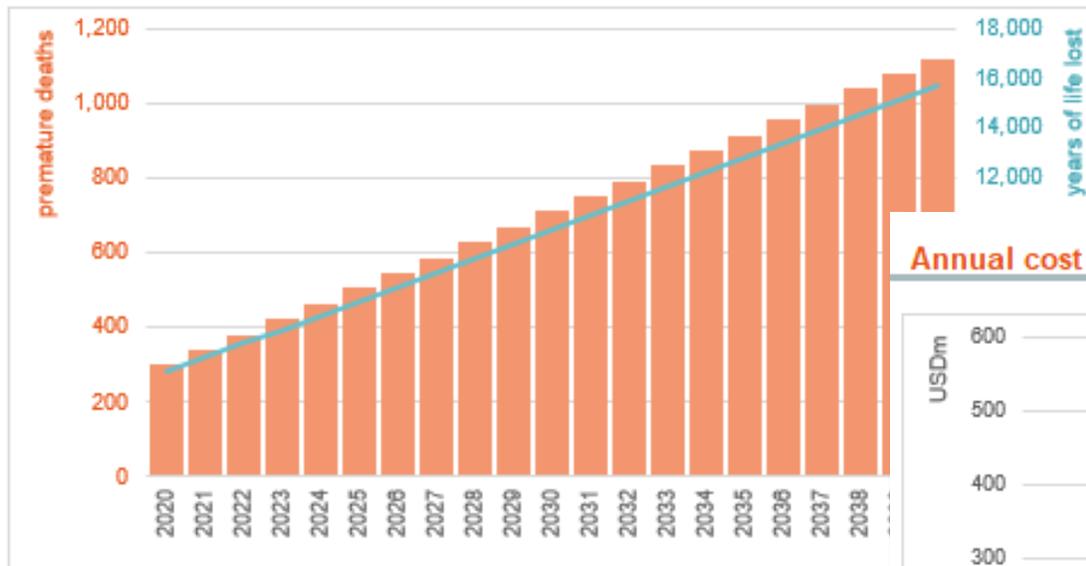
Annual fuel cost savings



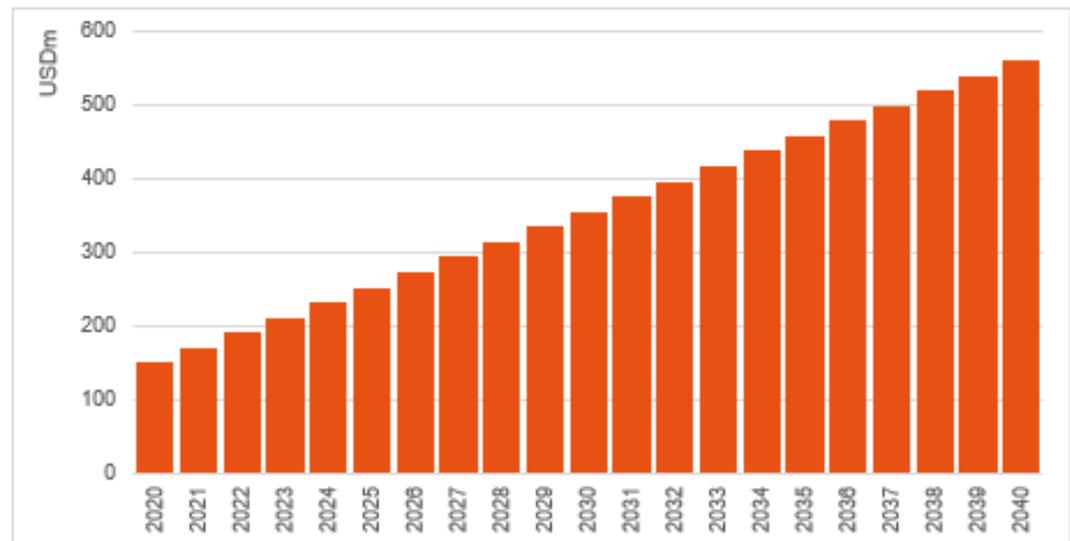
# Scenario results: Air pollution

Illustrative results

### Annual air pollution health impact

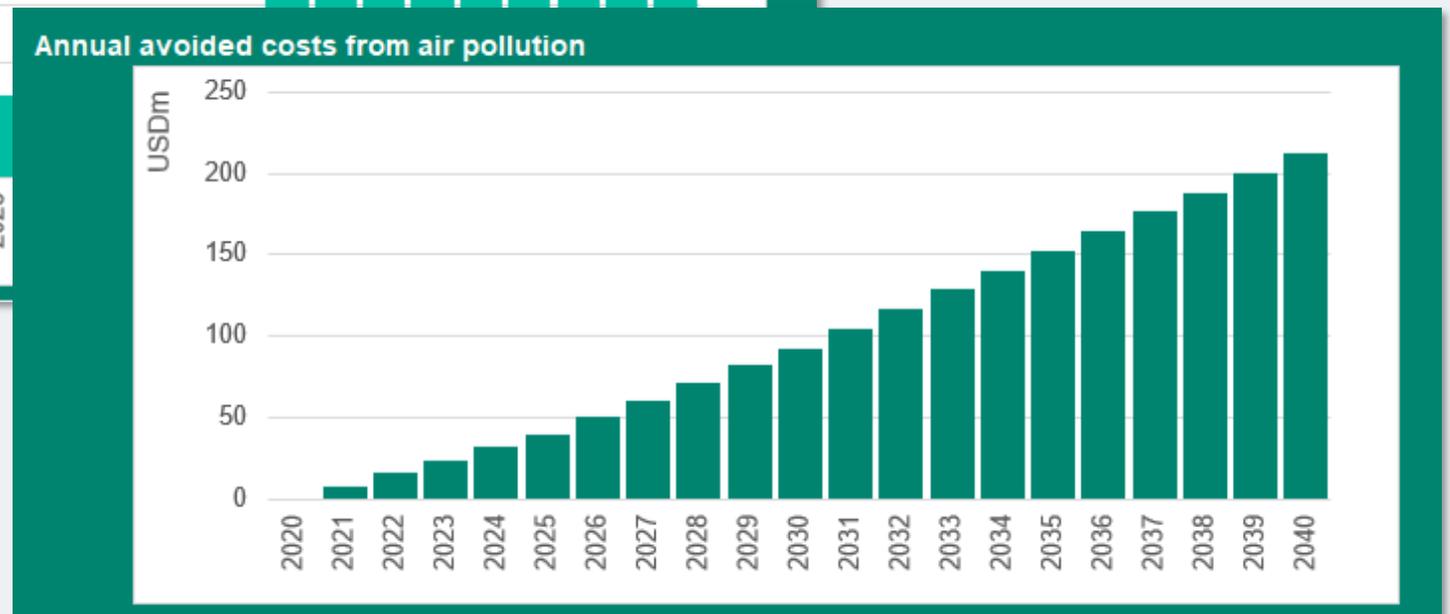
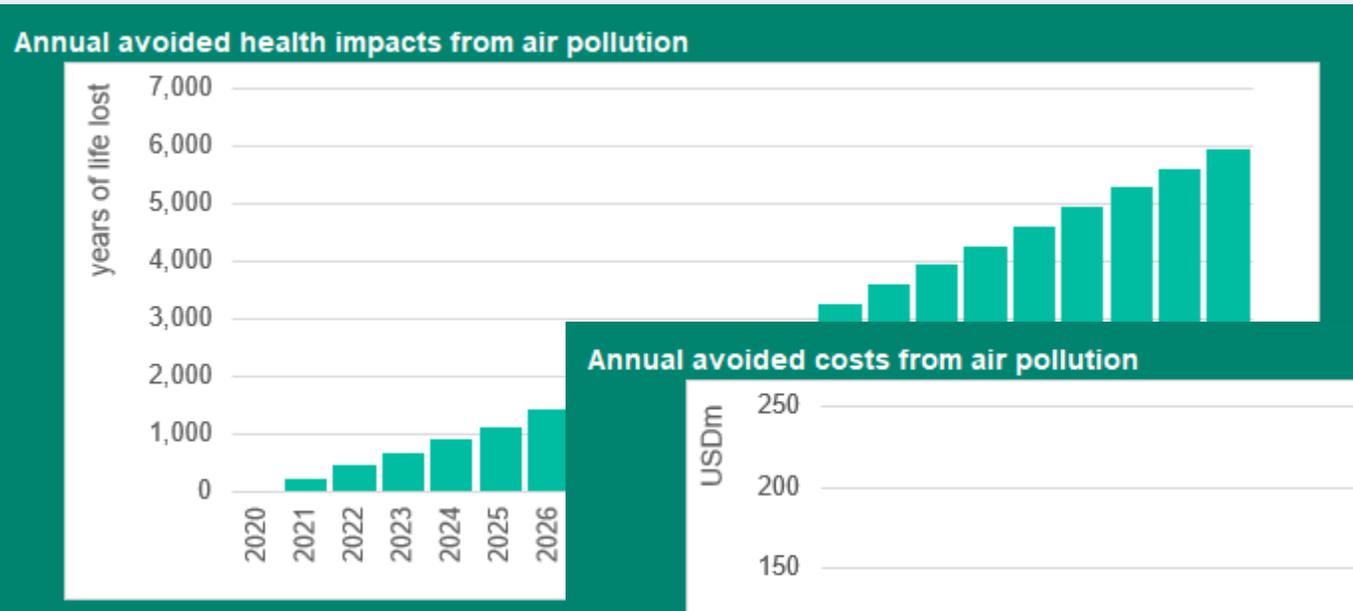


### Annual cost of air pollution health impacts



# Comparing scenario results: Air pollution

Illustrative results



# Challenges and limitations to applying TRACE



- Variety of data required, e.g. scenario data, transport infrastructure data, socio-economic data
- Processing of transport sector activity scenarios (input to TRACE) may require additional assumptions, depending on the tool used and its granularity



- Focuses exclusively on estimating selection of non-climate impacts from transport sector pathway scenarios (emissions pathways not calculated in TRACE)
- Analysis covers selected transport modes in urban settings with a focus on road transport

# QUESTIONS / COMMENTS / FEEDBACK

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