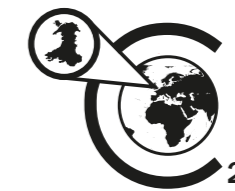


# Wales' commitment to tackling climate change

Transitioning to a net zero economy



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The 2015 Paris Agreement saw **195 countries agree to limit global average temperature rise to well below**

**2°C** and aim to limit the change to **1.5°C**

Wales has strengthened its legislative framework to reduce greenhouse gas emissions through **The Environment (Wales) Act 2016**.

The Act was updated in March 2021 to set a **net zero target for 2050**

The Act requires a system of **5 yearly carbon budgets and interim targets**; these serve as stepping stones and ensure that regular progress is made towards this long-term target.

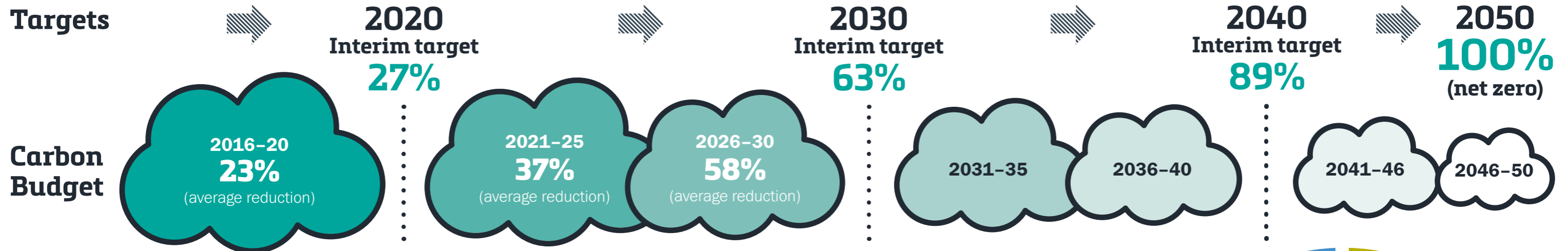


Interim emission targets have been set for **2020, 2030 and 2040**.

The **first carbon budget was from 2016–20** and subsequent budgets will run until **2050**.



The remaining budgets will be set at least **5 years before the start of their respective budget period**.



Carbon budgets provide long term economic predictability to **encourage investment** and **act as a stimulus for green growth**. All sectors across Wales have roles to play in **reducing emissions and transitioning to a net zero economy**.



Transitioning to a net zero society is vital to **improve the social, economic, environmental and cultural well-being of Wales** and meet international obligations.



Welsh Ministers are responsible for **reporting progress against their portfolios**.