

# Britain's U-turns on net zero pledges

The UK will water down policies aimed at achieving net zero carbon emissions by 2050 and instead pursue a “pragmatic” approach to hitting the target, Prime Minister Rishi Sunak has announced

## TRANSPORT

Ban on sale of new petrol and diesel cars and vans pushed back from 2030 to 2035



Proposals for new taxes to discourage flying scrapped

Proposals to govern how many passengers people should have in one car discarded

## RESIDENTIAL

Ban on installing new fossil fuel boilers in off-gas-grid homes delayed from 2026 to 2035



Grants to help people transition from boilers to heat pumps increased from £5,000 to £7,500

Rules forcing landlords to upgrade energy efficiency in their homes abandoned

## ENERGY

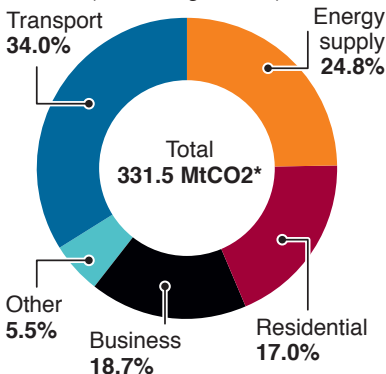
Extraction of new oil and gas in North Sea allowed. In July, Sunak already approved hundreds of new oil and gas licences in North Sea, angering environmentalists



*Sunak's rethink has prompted fierce criticism from opposition lawmakers, environmental campaigners, car industry and some Conservative MPs*



## UK CARBON DIOXIDE EMISSIONS BY SECTOR (Percentage, 2022)



\*Metric tons of carbon dioxide equivalent