

Ensuring policy relevance and promoting the use of SEEA Central Framework: UK experience

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Outline

- Background
- Examples of how improved visibility
- Findings from stakeholder engagement / next steps

Background



- UK's decision to leave the EU
- Government launched several new policies:
 - Clean Growth Strategy
 - Industrial Strategy – ‘grand challenge’ of Clean Growth
 - 25 Year Environment Plan

- New team



Period of stakeholder engagement



- NISC steering group
- Working group on waste and resources statistics, led by Defra, the UK environment ministry
- Lead a project scoping the of development of a materials database

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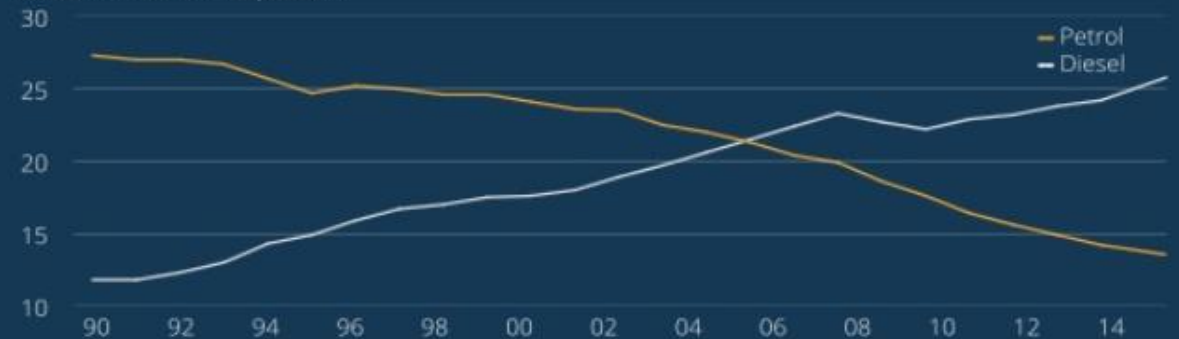
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Between 2014 and 2015, diesel use increased by 4.4%, whereas petrol use decreased by 1.4%.

Million tonnes of oil equivalent



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Utilising more widely distributed statistics



Renewable energy in the UK

A look at renewable energy consumption in the UK,
one of the targets for the Sustainable
Development Goals



Taking a flexible approach

- In response to user demand, developed the [Low Carbon and Renewable Energy Survey](#)
- Not in competition, but complementary



What we learned / Next steps

- Regional data
- Timeliness
- Simpler presentation
- Exploiting the interconnectedness of the accounts

Questions for group

- Have other countries have undertaken a similar period of engagement?
- If so, what did they find?
- Keen to learn from others how they best ensure policy relevance of the SEEA, and how they promote its use