



# Energy trends in Dunedin: where are we heading?

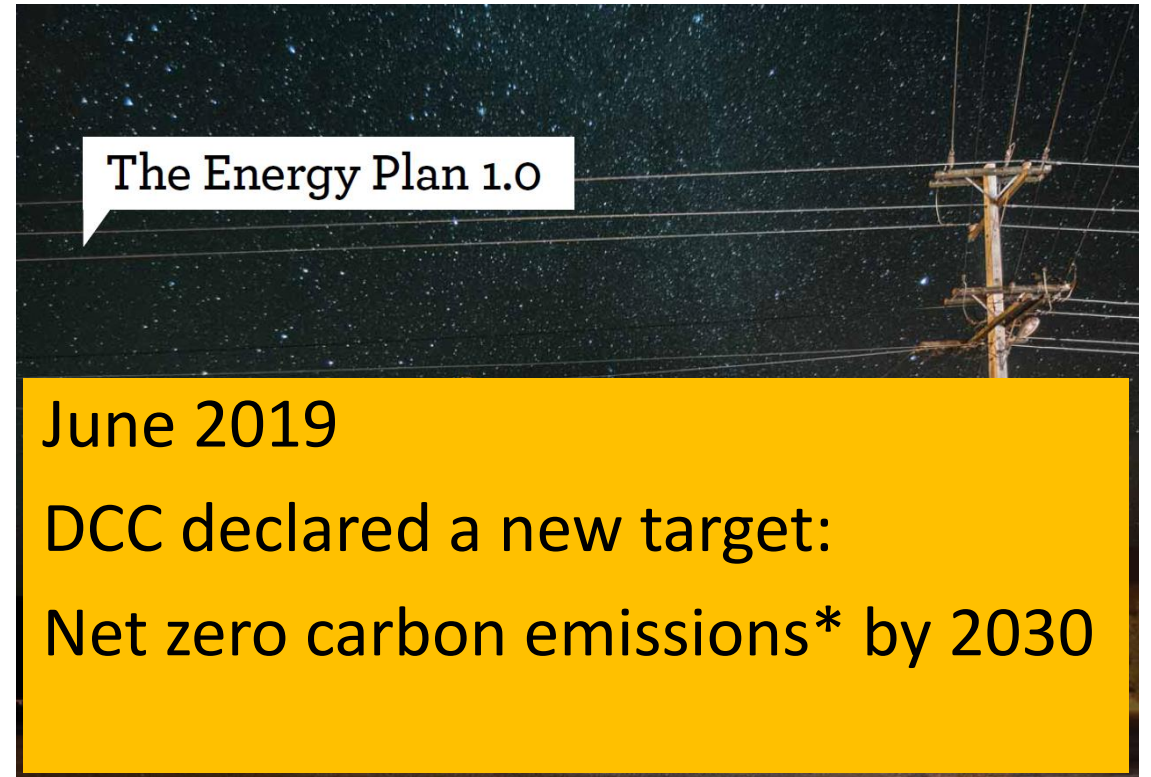
Results of the Dunedin Energy Study 2018-19

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# Context: DCC energy and climate goals

## Energy Plan; Environment Strategy

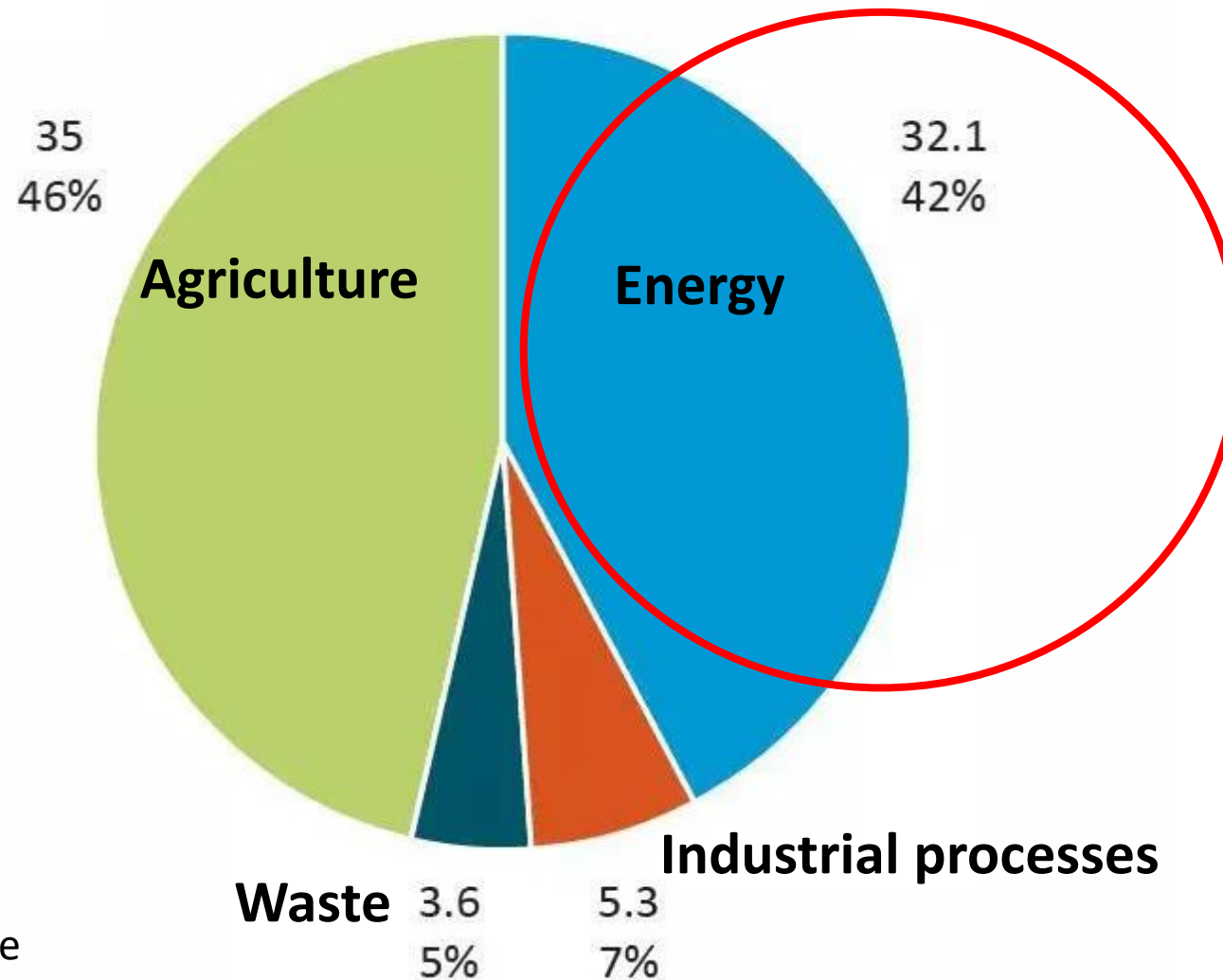
- Improve energy efficiency
- Boost energy security
- Promote EV uptake
- Expand production and use of biomass
- Reduce greenhouse gas emissions



\*excl agricultural methane

# Why an energy focus?

NZ's greenhouse gas emissions





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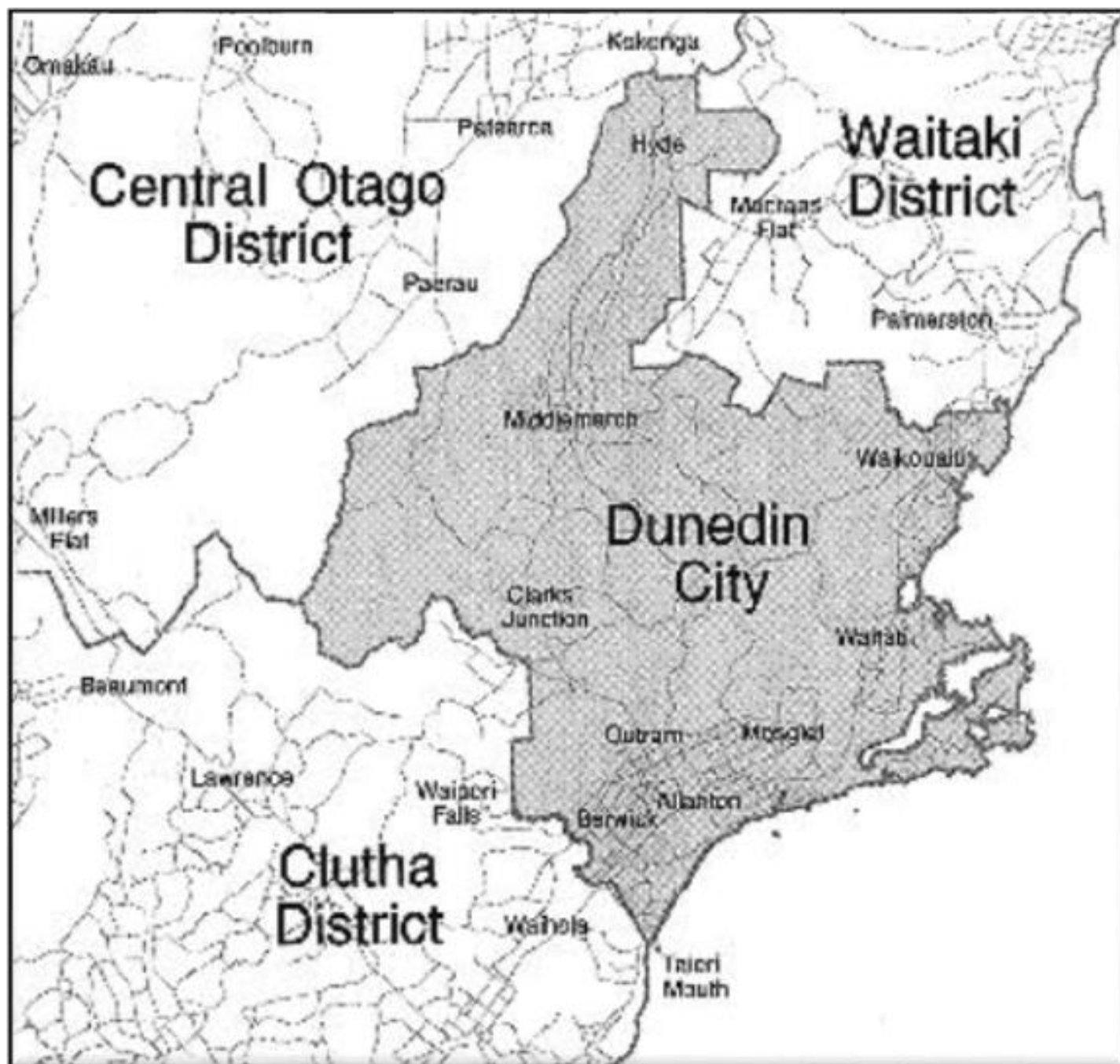
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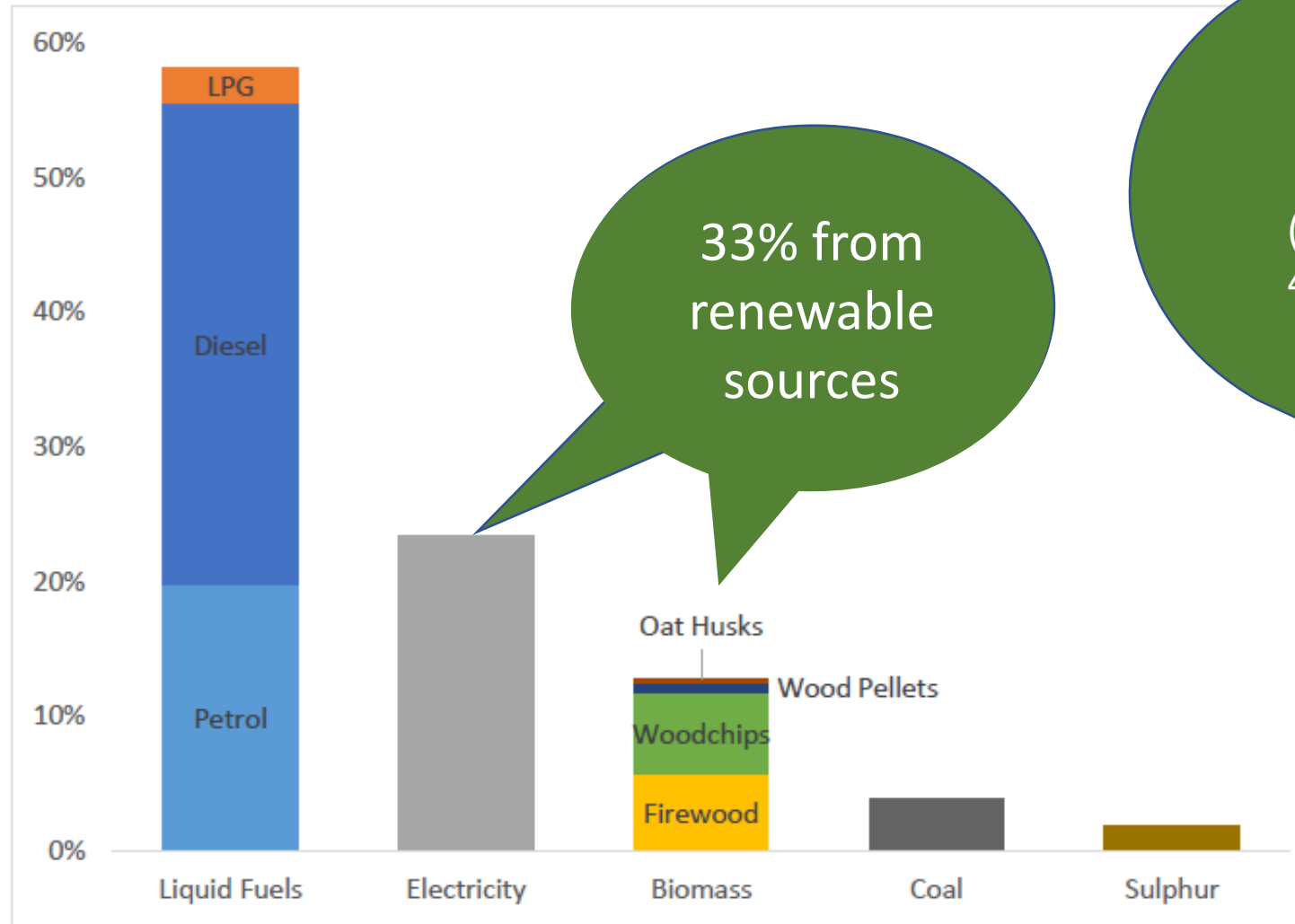
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# Energy consumption overview 2019 FY

Total = 13.65 Petajoules (PJ)

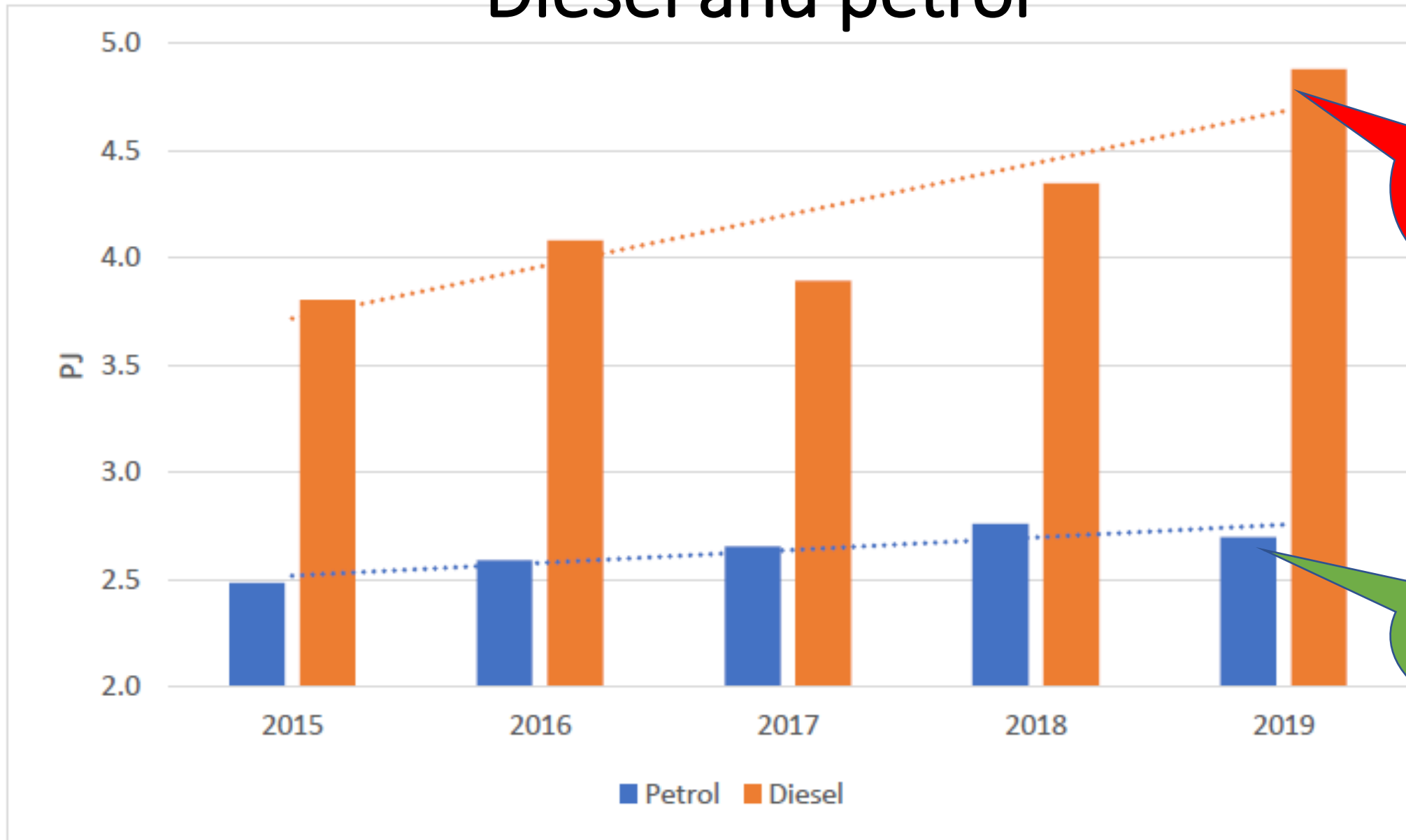


33% from renewable sources

16% locally sourced:

(12% biomass, 4% embedded generation)

# Diesel and petrol

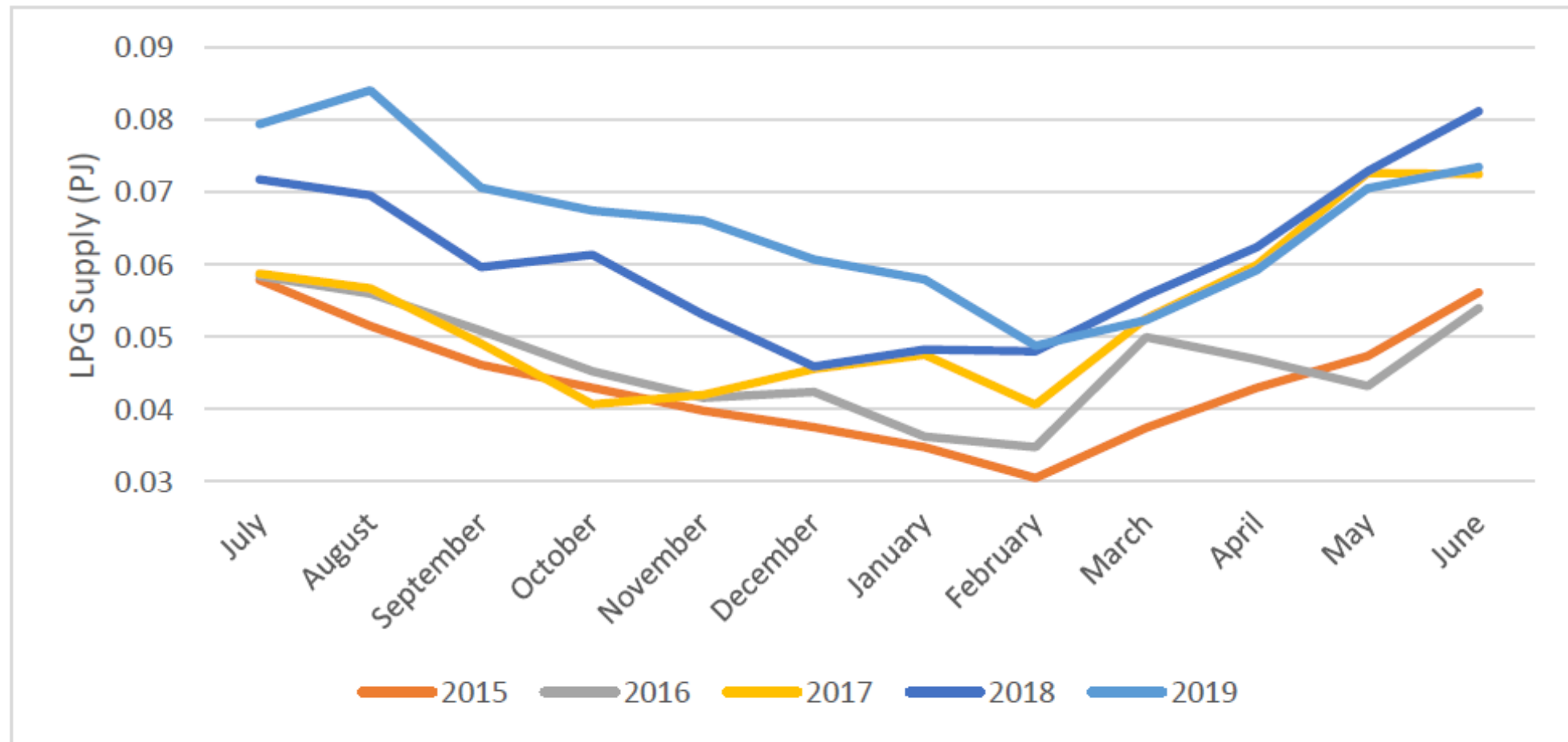


Diesel:  
12.1%  
increase  
2018-19

Petrol:  
2.3%  
decrease  
2018-19

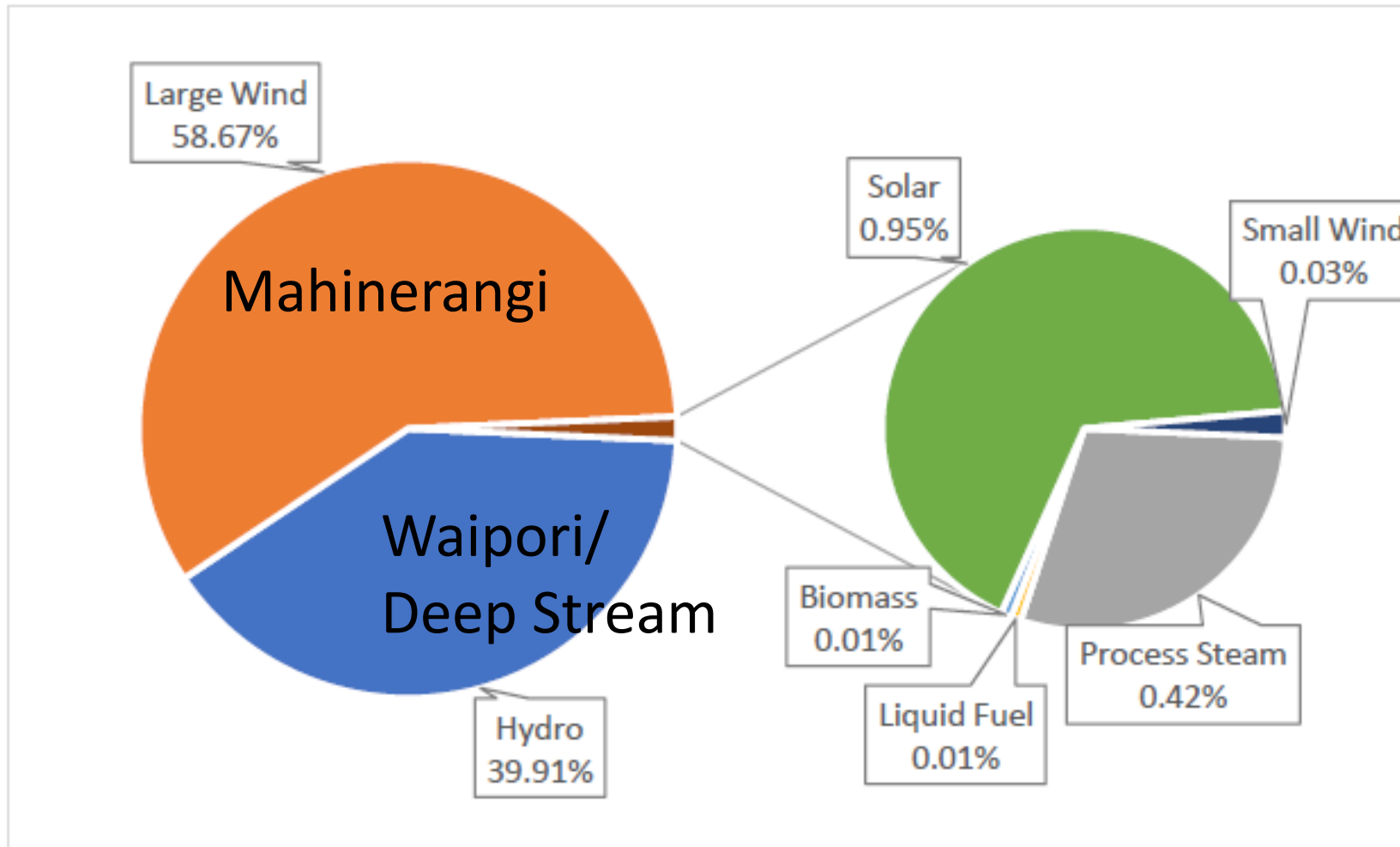


# LPG – trends and seasonal variability

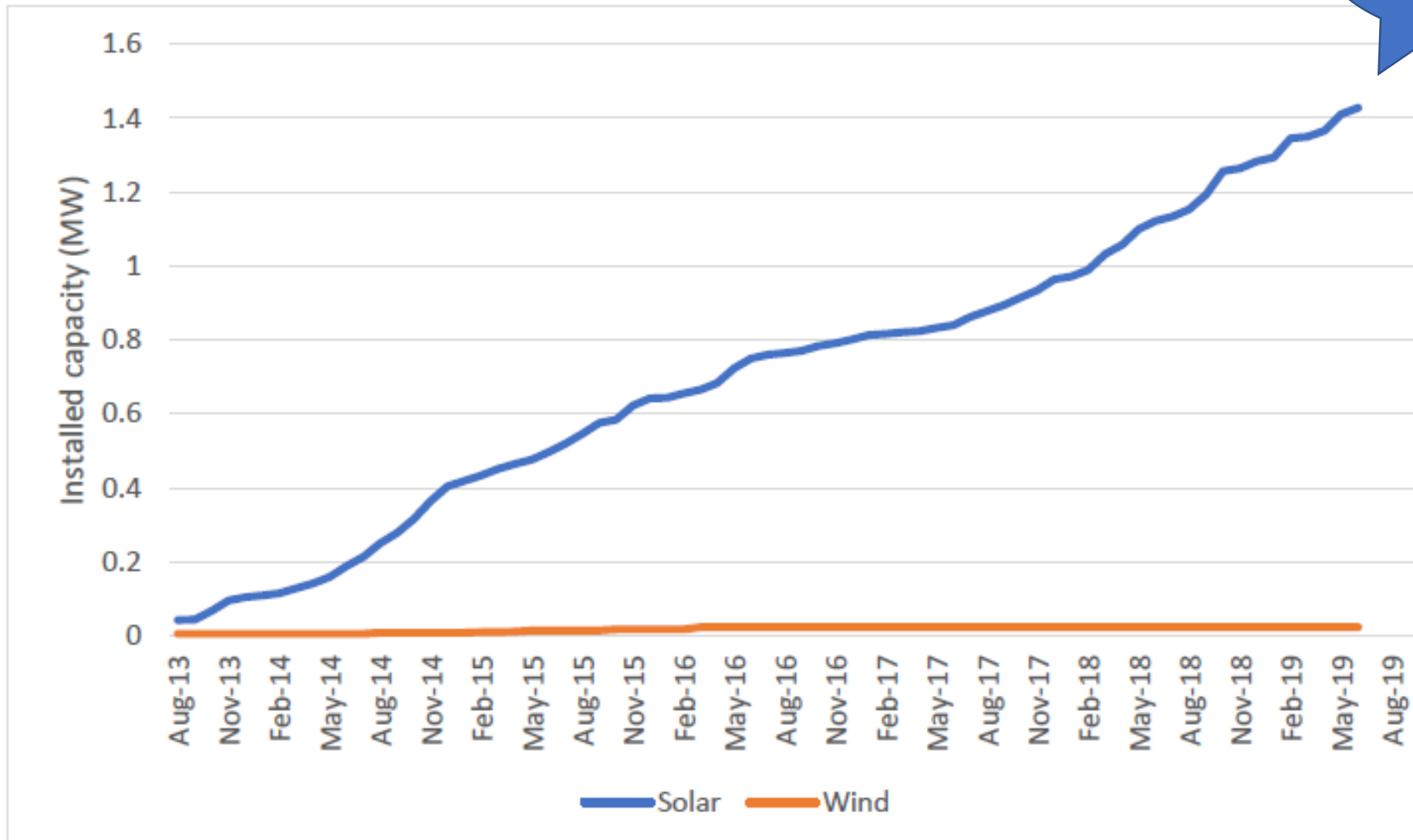




# Locally embedded electricity generation: 18% of electricity supply

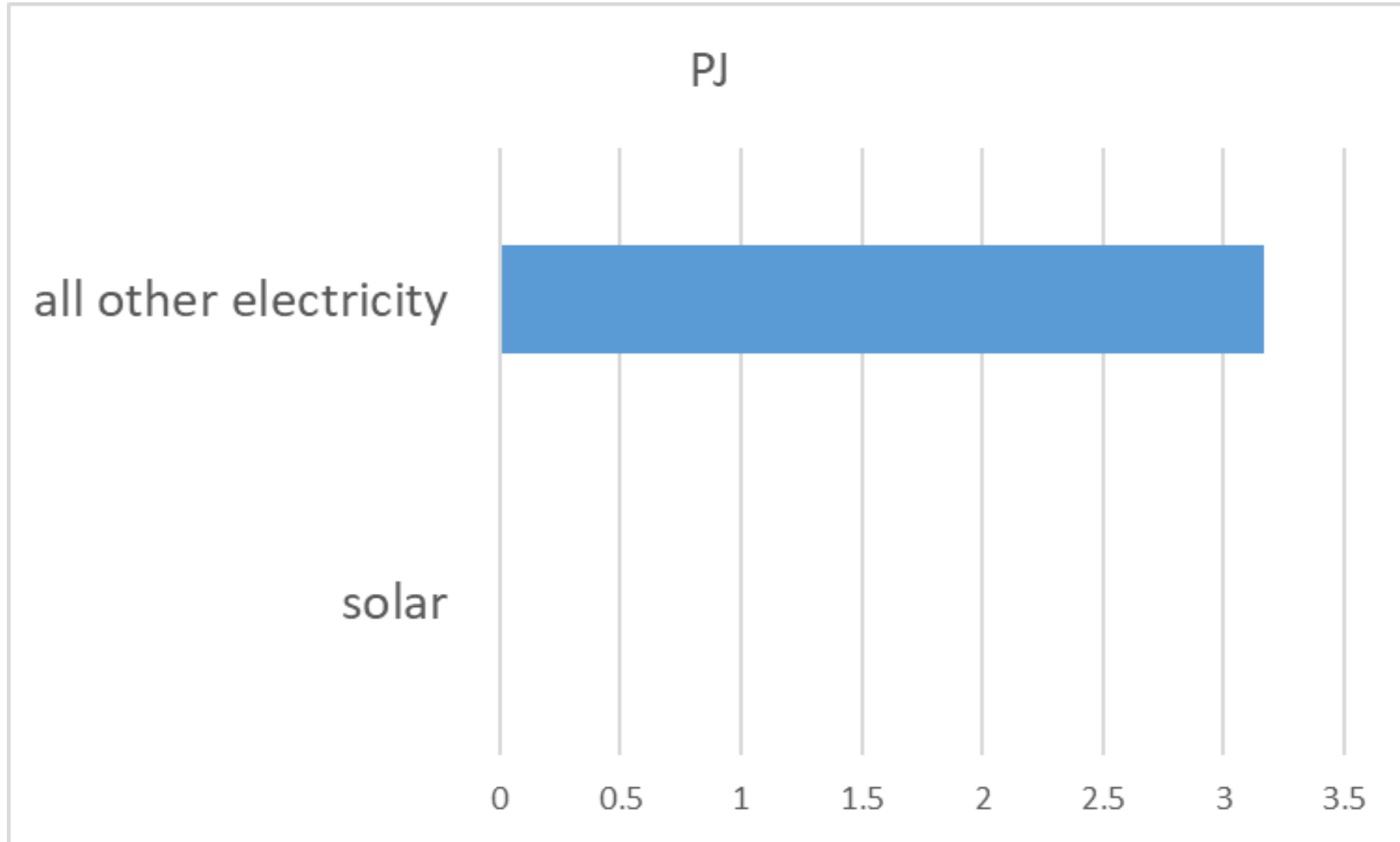


# Small-scale wind & solar (PV) growth

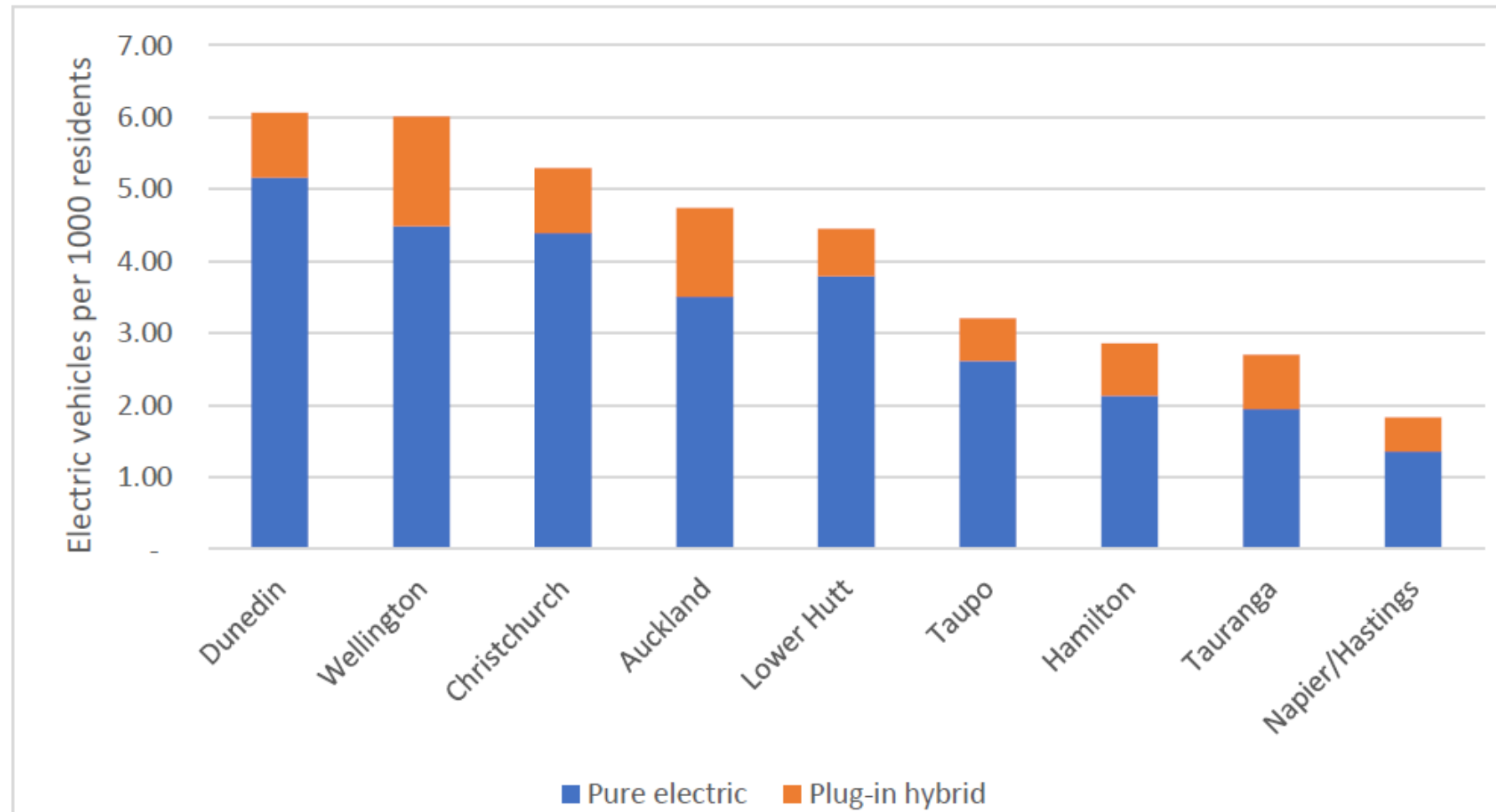


~380  
installations

But ... a microscopic contribution so far

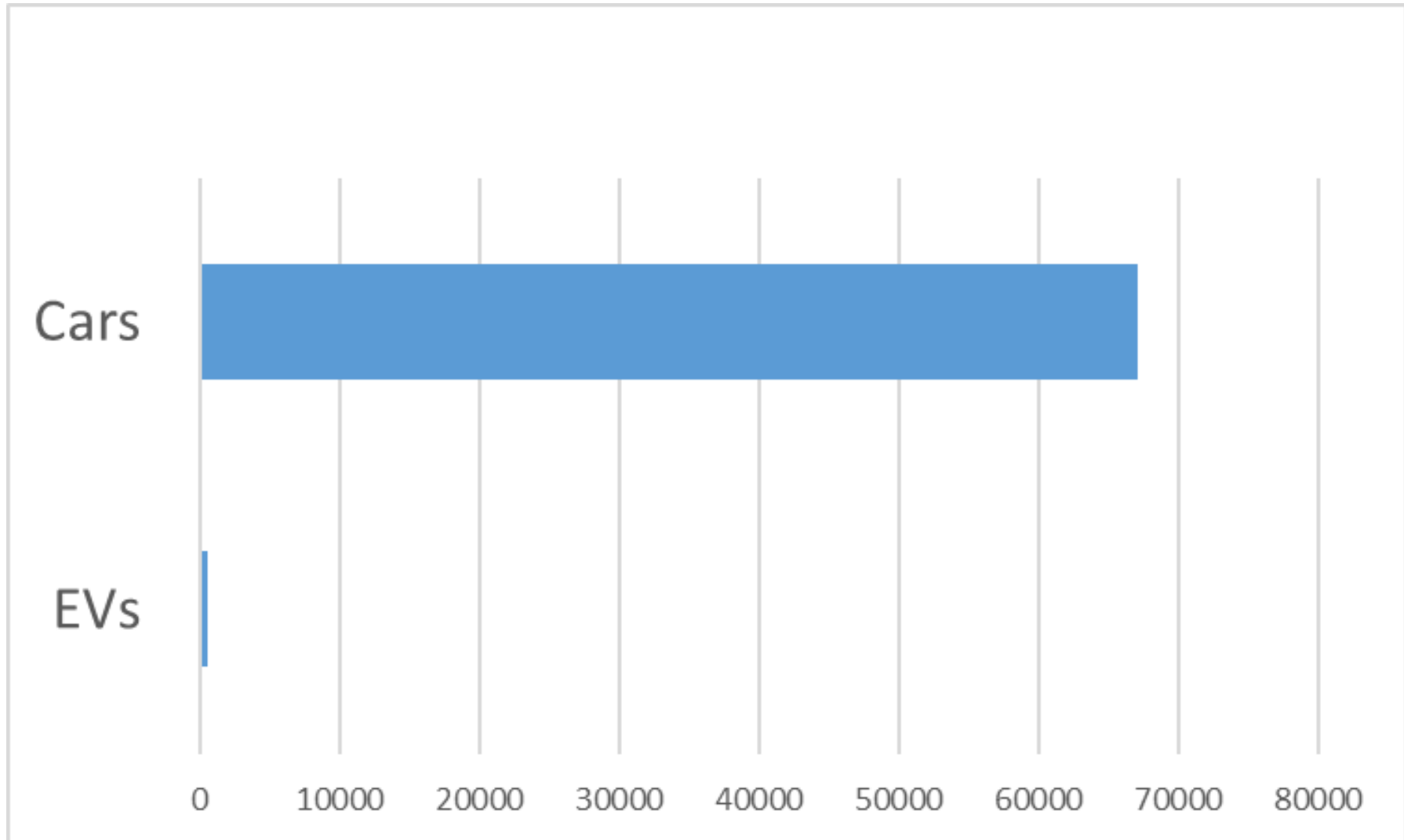


# Dunedin leads NZ cities in EV uptake



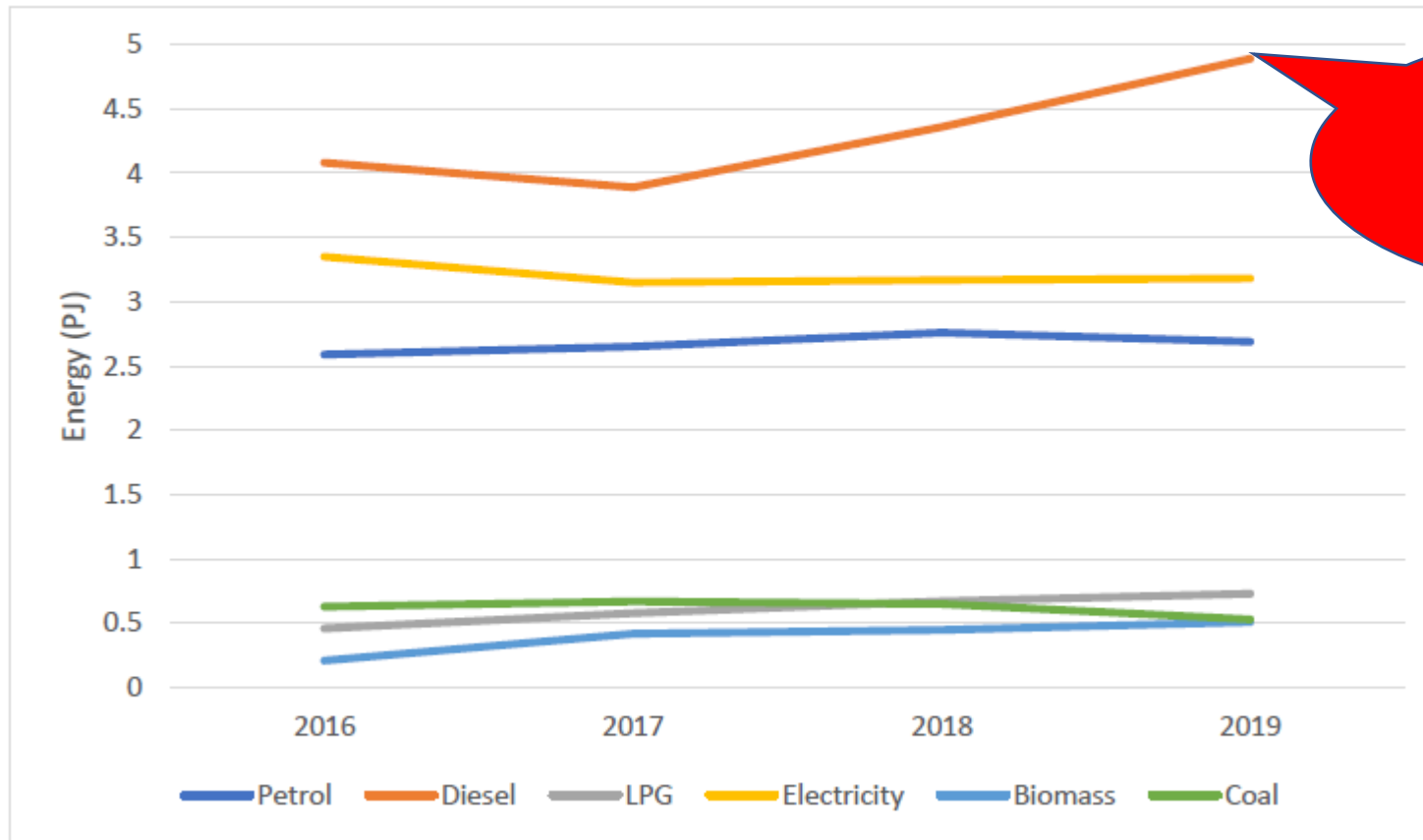


But ... a drop in the bucket so far



Some important trends

Annual energy consumption has increased on average nearly 4.5% per year.



**Diesel use up  
26% since 2017**

**Renewable energy  
decreased from  
37% in 2016 to  
33% in 2019**

# Energy efficiency is worsening

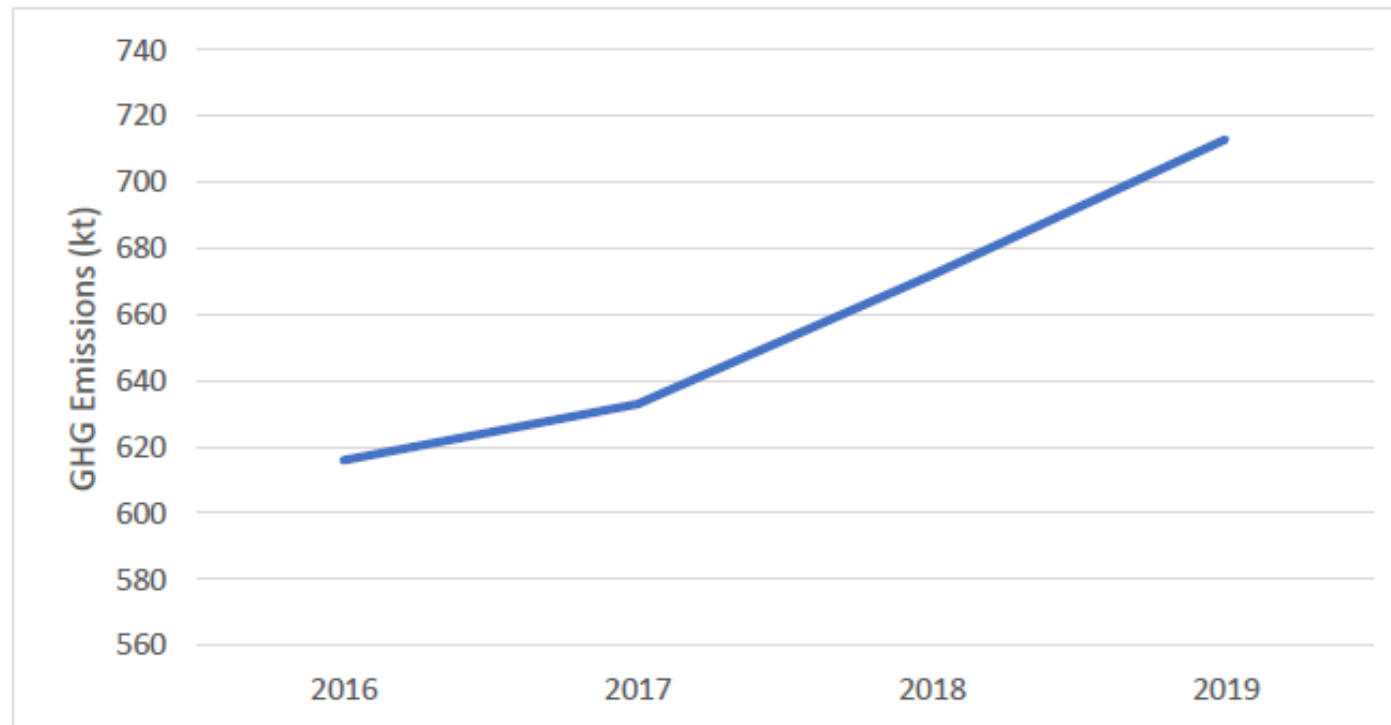
Energy consumption per capita has increased on average 3.25% per year (i.e. we are using more per person)

Energy consumption per unit of GDP has increased on average nearly 2% per year (i.e. energy use has become less efficient)



Energy-related greenhouse gas emissions have increased on average **nearly 4% per year**.

Year	2016	2017	2018	2019
GHG emissions (kt CO <sub>2</sub> -e)	616	633	672	713



# A few positive trends ...

In 2019 FY:

- Coal use down by 21%
- Petrol use down by 2%
- Solar generation up by 17% (+50 arrays)
- Electric vehicles up: +308 registrations (to a total of 799 at end of 2019)



Pam McKinlay: EV week, Dunedin

# Implications for DCC goals



- Improve energy efficiency
- Boost energy
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- Expand production and use of biomass **X**
- Reduce greenhouse gas emissions **X**

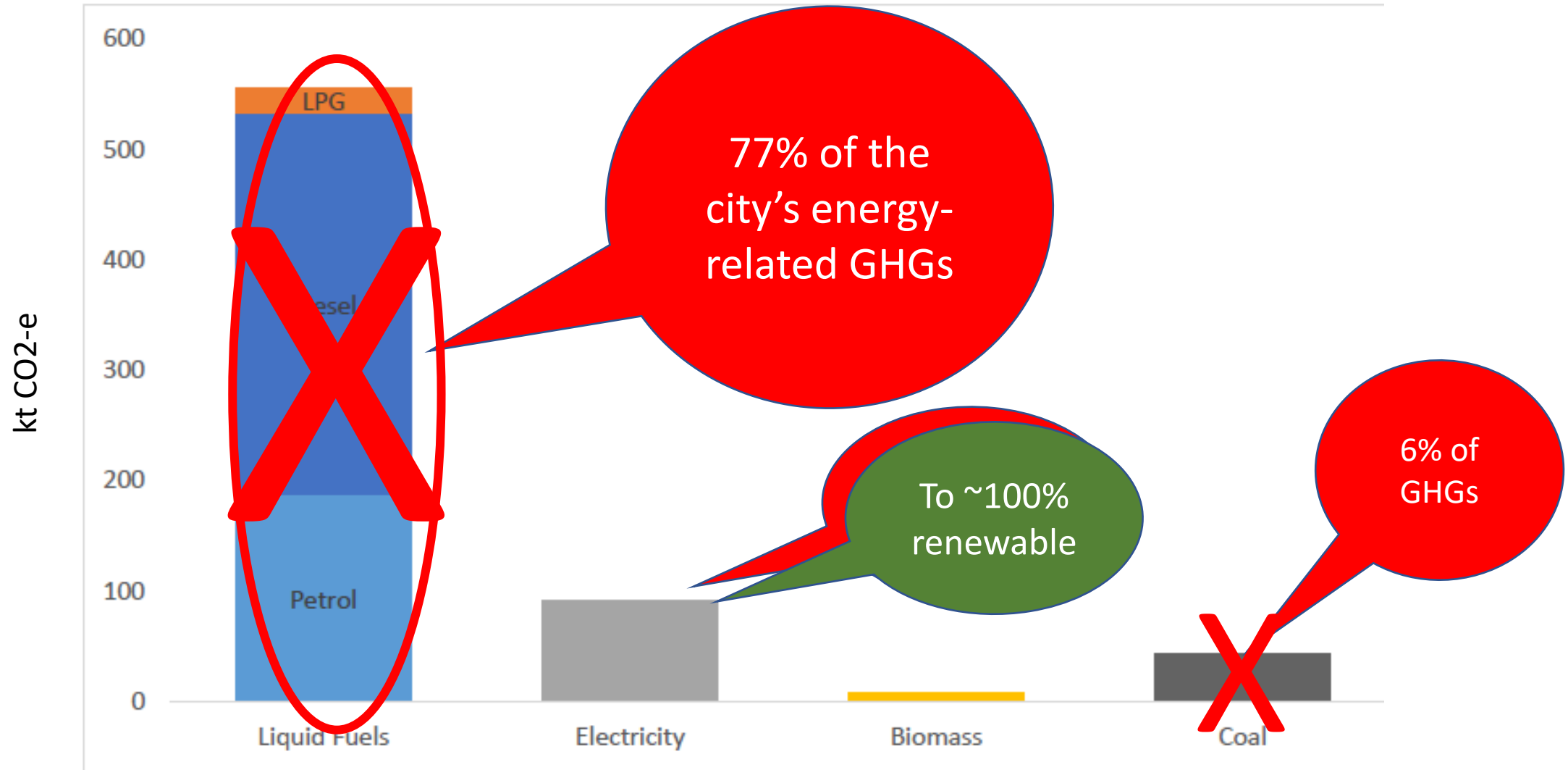
**Policies aren't working**

Net zero carbon emissions\* by 2030

**??**

# Energy-related emissions 2019 FY

695.67 kt CO<sub>2</sub>-e





# What's needed: Serious policies & city-wide collaborations for ...



**Transport** ... active transport, public transport, electric vehicles

➤ **Healthier, cost-effective, lower GHG emissions**

**Heating** ... moving away from coal, diesel & inefficient heating, and into biomass and electricity.

➤ **Healthier, more efficient, lower GHG emissions**

**Efficiency** ... lighting, insulation, appliances, computing, industrial processes

➤ **Cost-saving, lower GHG emissions**

**Local renewable energy** ... more use of local forests, solar, wind

➤ **Local jobs, increasingly cost-effective, lower GHG emissions**

Questions?

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