APS Net Zero 2030 Target Factsheet

2024-25 Commonwealth Climate Disclosures

This document sets out the whole-of-Australian-Government disclosures for criteria M1(c), M5, M6, M8 and M9 within the [Year 1 Commonwealth Climate Disclosure (CCD) Requirements](https://www.finance.gov.au/government/climate-action-government-operations/commonwealth-climate-disclosure-requirements) that apply to non-corporate Commonwealth entities (NCEs) and other Commonwealth entities or companies that opt-in to the APS Net Zero by 2030 target in full.

Entities committed to APS Net Zero 2030 can provide a link to this document from their climate disclosure to address the criteria in Table 1. Any deviations from the disclosures tabled below should be clearly identified within an entities Year 1 climate disclosure for the 2024-25 annual reporting period.

Table 1: Climate-related target disclosures - APS Net Zero 2030 Target

| Criteria # | Criteria summary | APS Net Zero by 2030 target disclosure |
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| M1c | Targets set by the entity including metrics used to measure progress towards these targets | The APS Net Zero 2030 Target (details within the [Net Zero in Government Operations Strategy)](https://www.finance.gov.au/sites/default/files/2023-11/Net_Zero_Government_Operations_Strategy.pdf) |
| M5a | The metric used to set the target | The metric used to set the APS Net Zero 2030 Target is t CO2-e. The APS Net Zero 2030 Target is defined in the Net Zero in Government Operations Strategy as:   * A target set by the Australian Government to achieve net zero greenhouse gas emissions from government operations by the year 2030. |
| M5b | The objective of the target | The objective of the APS Net Zero 2030 Target is to reduce emissions to mitigate further impacts of climate change. |
| M5c | The part of the entity to which the target applies e.g. entity in its entirety or only a part of the entity, such as a specific divisional unit or geographical region | The APS Net Zero 2030 Target applies to all non-corporate Commonwealth entities. The organisational boundary is the whole entity, unless an exemption has been agreed for security or other reasons. |
| M5d | The period over which the target applies | The timeframe for achieving the net greenhouse gas emissions target is from 16 June 2022 to 30 June 2031. |
| M5e | The base period from which progress is measured | The initial baseline as per the Net Zero in Government Operations Strategy is 2022-23 financial year. The initial baseline may change as additional emissions sources are included in the future. |
| M5f | Any milestones and interim targets | Entity specific interim targets are detailed within their publicly available emissions reduction plans. |
| M5g | If the target is quantitative, whether it is an absolute target or an intensity target | The APS Net Zero 2030 Target is an absolute target. |
| M5h | How the latest international agreement on climate change, including jurisdictional commitments that arise from that agreement, has informed the target | The APS Net Zero 2030 Target forms part of Australia’s international climate commitments, including Australia’s Nationally Determined Contribution under the Paris Agreement. |
| M6a | Whether the target and the methodology for setting the target has been validated by a third party | The APS Net Zero 2030 Target methodology has not been reviewed by a third party. |
| M6b | The entity’s processes for reviewing the target | In 2026-27 a mid-term review will be conducted to consider overall progress to date, domestic expectations and any recommended changes to the APS Net Zero 2030 Target and associated Net Zero in Government Operations Strategy. |
| M6c | The metrics used to monitor progress towards reaching the target | Interim metrics used to monitor performance for entities are detailed within their published emissions reduction plans and annual climate disclosure. Progress against the aggregated target for the Australian Public Service, including metrics, is detailed within the [Climate Action in Government Operations Annual Progress Report](https://www.finance.gov.au/government/climate-action-government-operations/commonwealth-emission-reporting/net-zero-government-operations-annual-progress-report) prepared by the Department of Finance. |
| M6d | Any revisions to the target and an explanation for those revisions. | During the 2024-25 reporting period there were no changes to the APS Net Zero by 2030 Target. |
| M8a | Which greenhouse gases are covered by the target | The following greenhouse gas emissions are included in the APS Net Zero Emissions Reporting Framework: carbon dioxide (CO2); methane (CH4); nitrous oxide (N2O); hydrofluorocarbons (HFCs); perfluorocarbons (PFCs); sulphur hexafluoride (SF6); and nitrogen trifluoride (N3). |
| M8b | Whether scope 1, scope 2 or scope 3 greenhouse gas emissions are covered by the target | The APS Net Zero 2030 Target includes scope 1 and scope 2 emissions, with decisions on scope 3 to be made in the future as further data becomes available. |
| M8c | Whether the target is a gross greenhouse gas emissions target or net greenhouse gas emissions target | The APS Net Zero 2030 Target is a net greenhouse gas emissions target. |
| M8d | Whether the target was derived using a sectoral decarbonisation approach | The APS Net Zero 2030 Target was not derived using a sectoral decarbonisation approach. |
| M9a | Disclose information on the APS Net Zero by 2030 target (set out in the Net Zero in Government Operations Strategy), as well as any other obligatory or voluntary targets set out in the entity’s Emissions Reduction Plan | As part of each entity’s commitment to the APS Net Zero 2030 Target, they also commit to the targets relevant to their entity profile and actions in the Net Zero in Government Operations Strategy, including:   * develop a long-term emissions reduction plan by 30 August 2024; and * an annual progress report towards 2030 targets, as measured by percentage of overall emissions reduction per entity each year.   Additional interim targets are detailed within each entity’s publicly available emissions reduction plans. |

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