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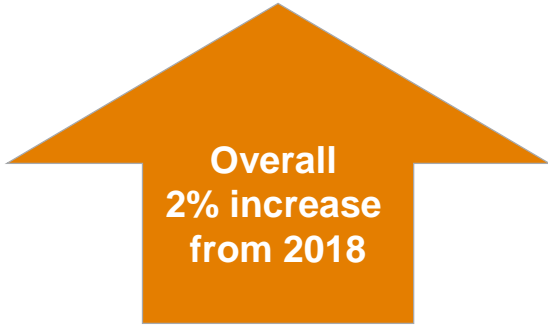
## Aberdeen Airport Carbon Footprint 2019

In accordance with the UK Government's Conversion Factors  
for Company Reporting

Report for Aberdeen International Airport Limited

**Aberdeen International  
Airport**

All Scope emissions = 67,793 tCO<sub>2</sub>e



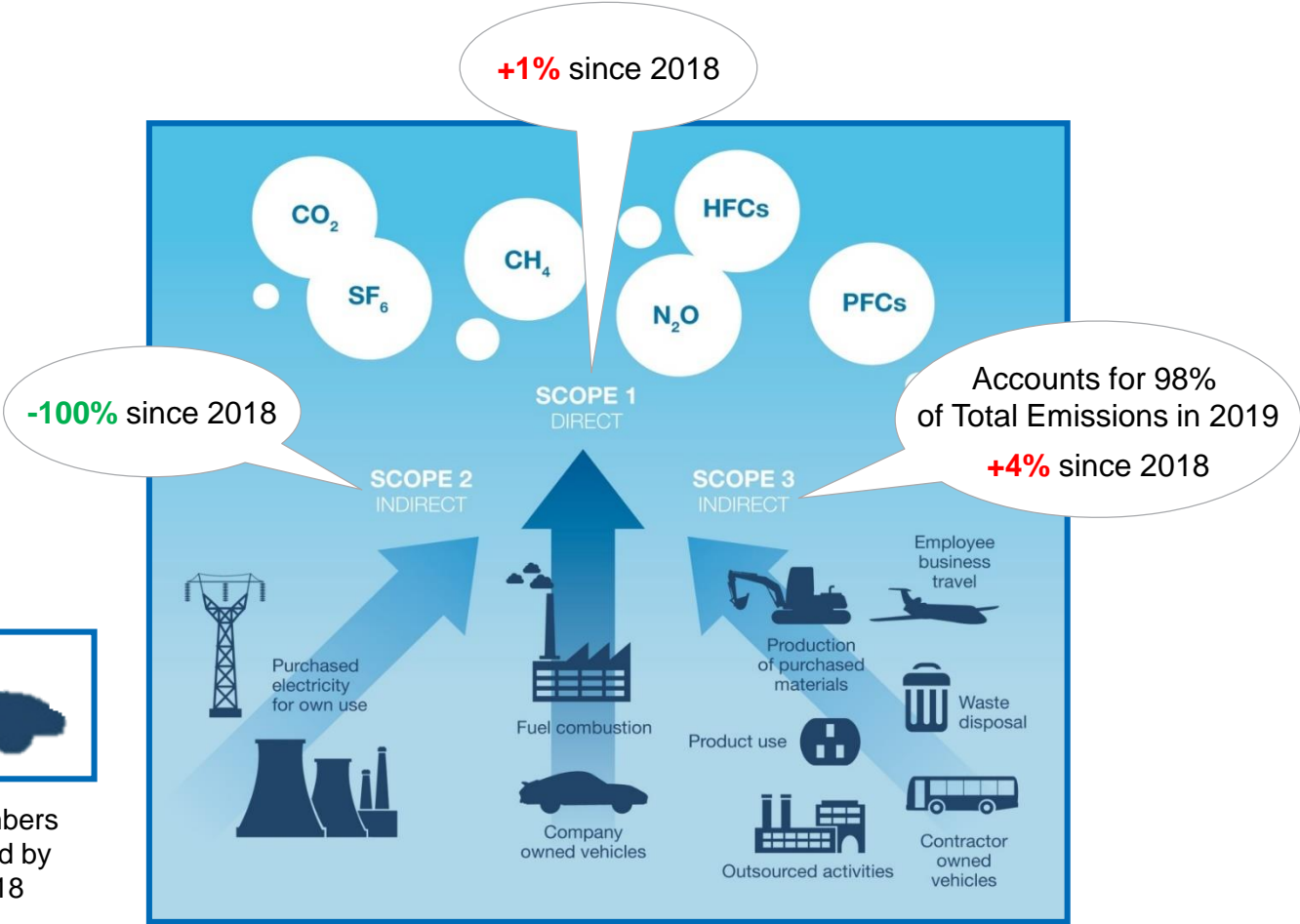
Overall increase primarily due to inclusion of tenant staff commute



Number of aircraft movements have decreased by 1% since 2018



Passenger numbers have decreased by 4% since 2018



Scope 1 and Scope 2 emissions have seen an overall decrease of **-45%** since 2018. This is largely due to changes in methodology and emission factor intensities.

# Included Emissions Sources

The following emissions sources are included in the 2019 carbon footprint for Aberdeen Airport:

## Scope 1: Direct emissions:

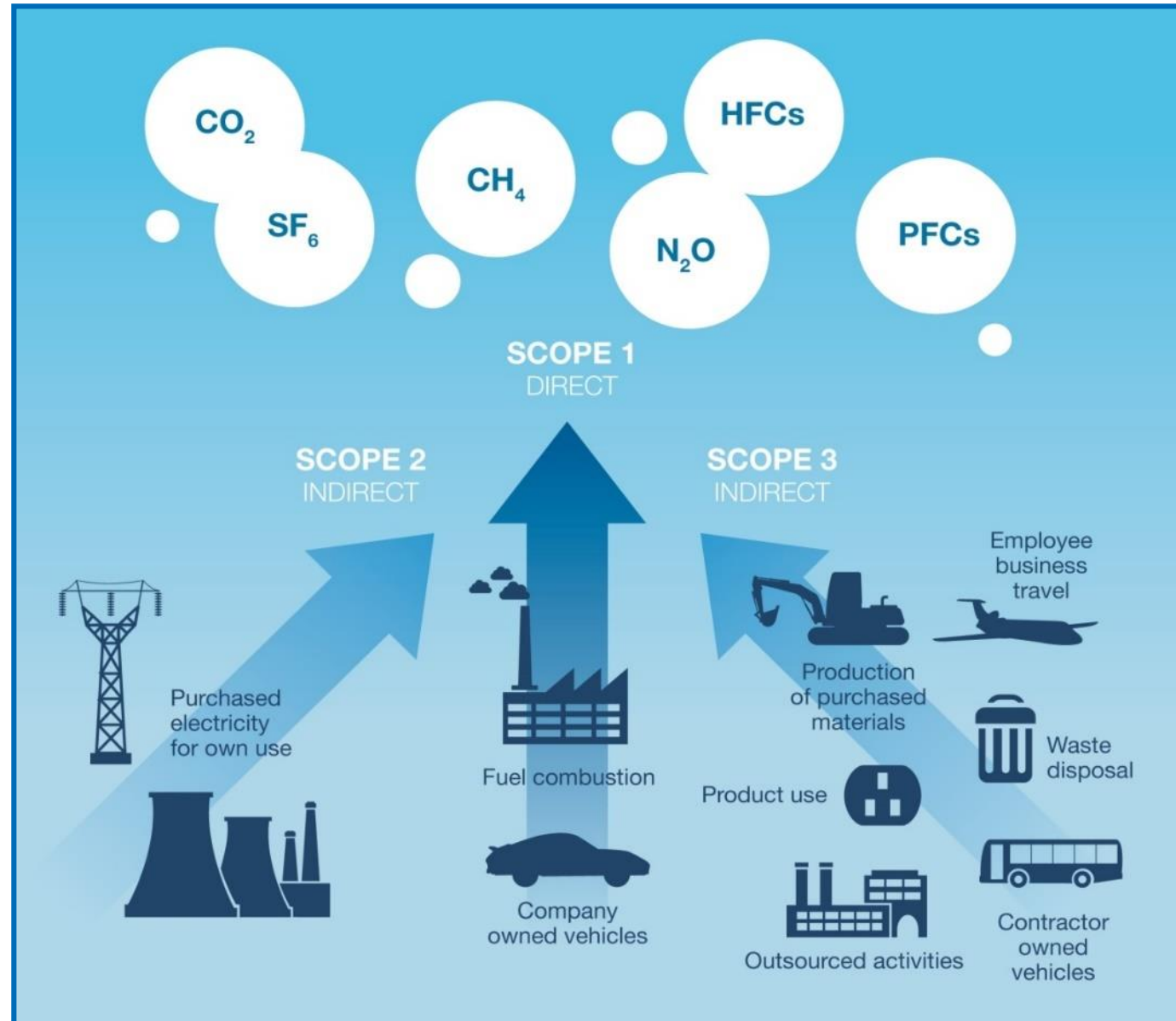
- Fuels burnt on site (boilers, generators, operational vehicles, fire training)
- Refrigerant gas losses

## Scope 2: Indirect emissions:

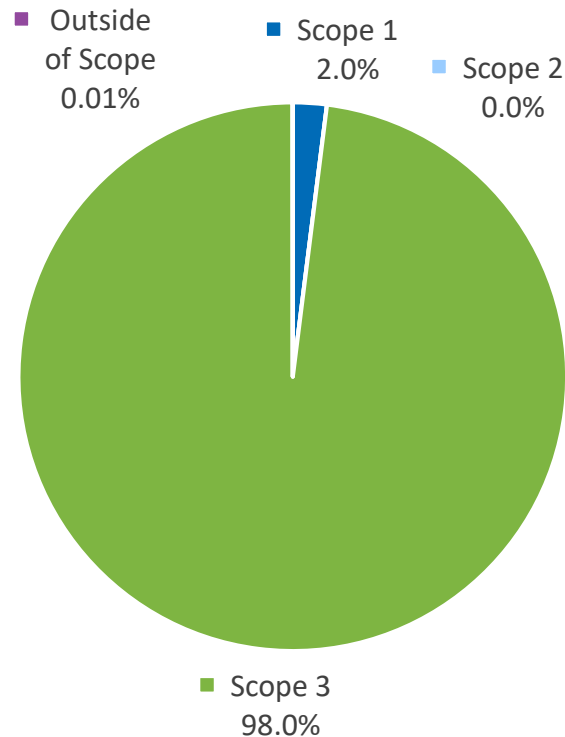
- Purchased electricity

## Scope 3: Indirect emissions:

- 3<sup>rd</sup> party operational vehicle fuels
- Tenant energy
- Aircraft LTO cycle, APU usage and engine testing
- Business travel
- Water supply and wastewater treatment
- Staff commute
- Passenger surface access
- Waste (disposal and virgin material production)



# Key Stats - Carbon Emissions by Scope 2019



	Total 2019 emissions (tCO <sub>2</sub> e)	% of total emissions
<b>Scope 1</b>	1,351	2.0%
<b>Scope 2</b>	0	0.0%
<b>Scope 3</b>	66,436	98.0%
<b>Outside of Scopes</b>	6	0.01%
<b>Total</b>	<b>67,793</b>	<b>100%</b>

### Scope 1:

Emissions on-site, or an associated process, from the combustion of fossil fuels, e.g. natural gas, oil, LPG and company-owned vehicles.

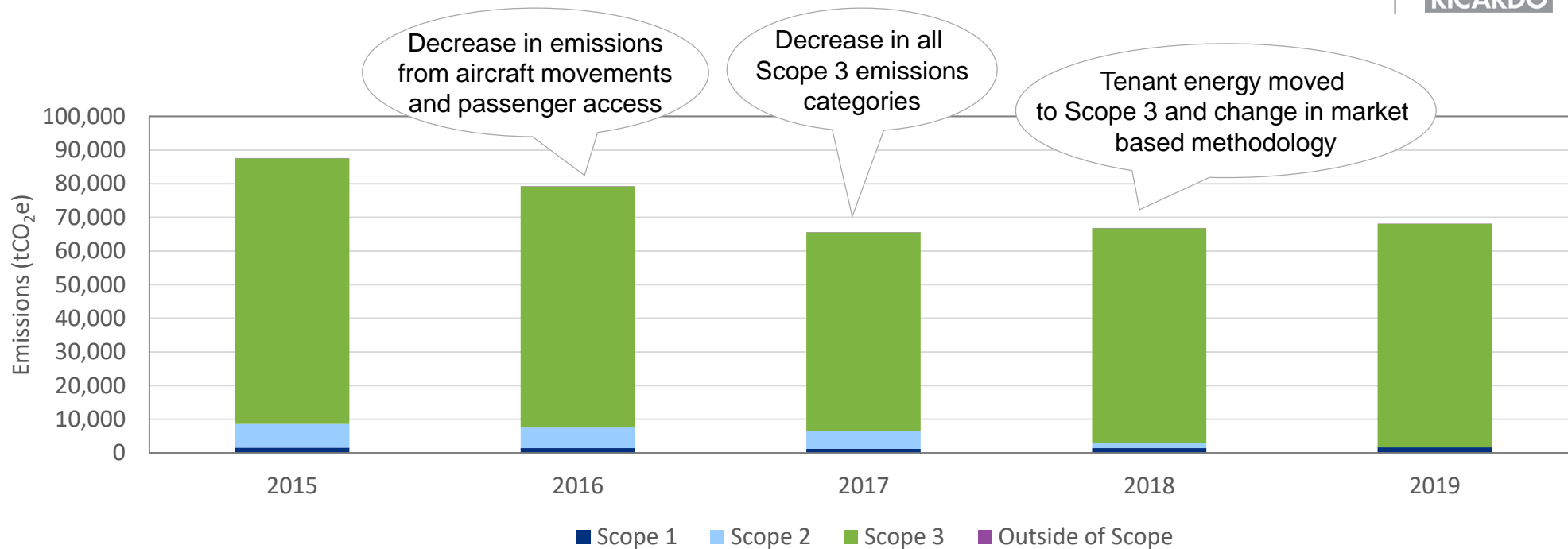
### Scope 2:

Emissions associated with the use of electricity imported from the grid or from a third party supplier of energy in the form of heat or electricity.

### Scope 3:

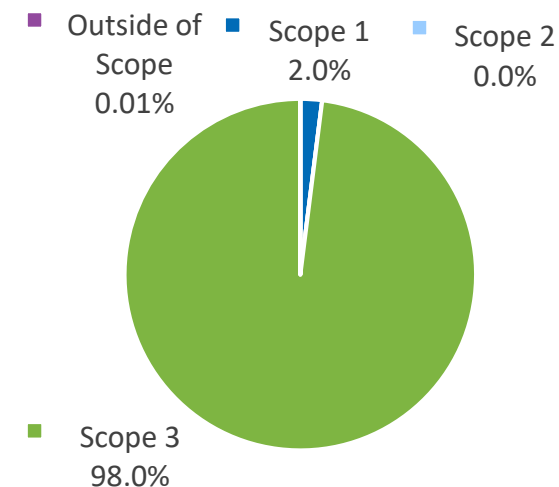
Emissions arising as a direct consequence of the use of goods or services provided by the company. For AAL this would be the operation of Aberdeen Airport. Sources include aircraft movements, passenger and staff travel to the airport, airside activities, waste disposal, water and business travel.

# Key Stats - All Scopes Summary



	Total 2019 emissions (tCO <sub>2</sub> e)	% of total emissions
Scope 1	1,351	2.0%
Scope 2	0	0.0%
Scope 3	66,436	98.0%
Outside of Scopes	6	0.0%
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Scope 3 emissions have always been the largest contributor to Aberdeen Airport's carbon footprint. The majority of which are from aircraft activities and passenger access to the airport.



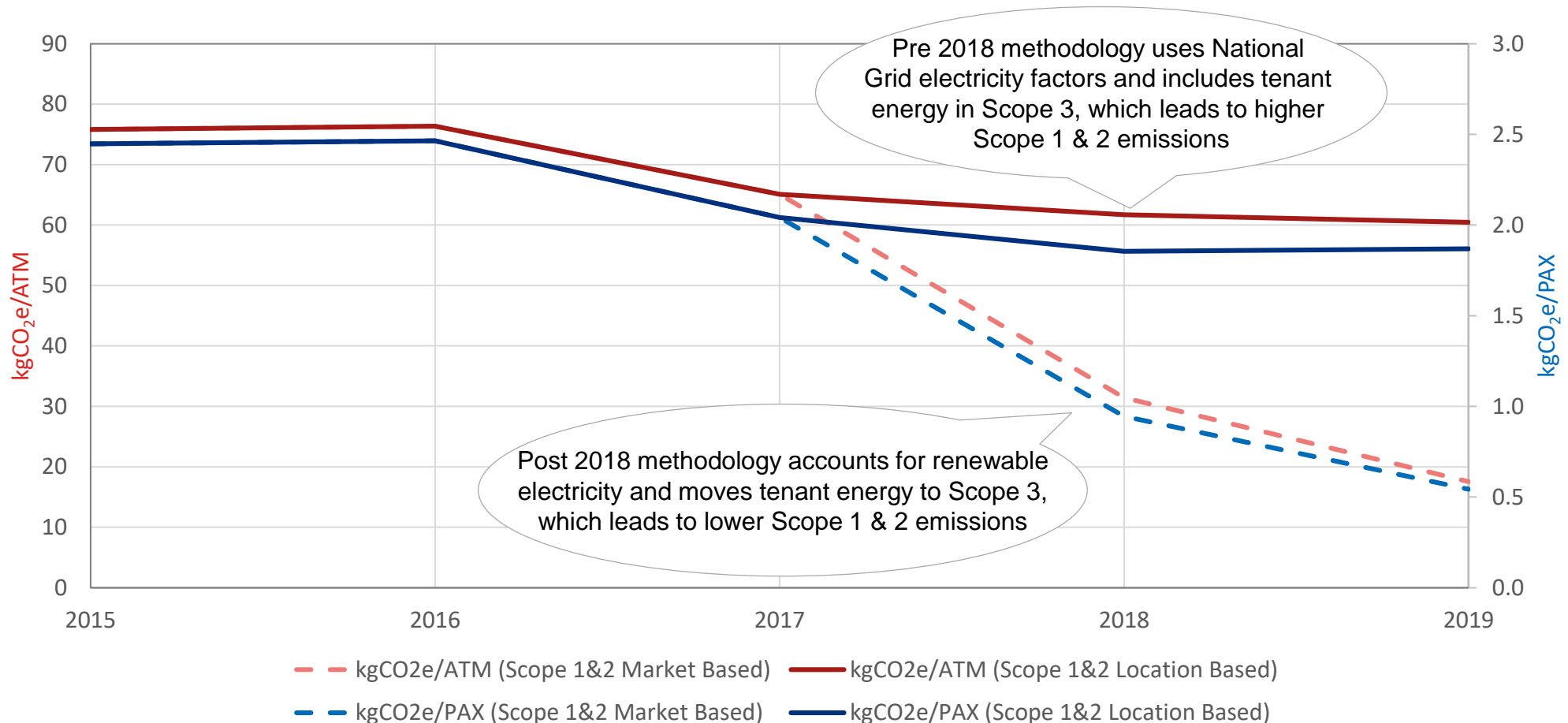
# Key Stats - Intensity Metrics comparison over time - 1



Intensity metrics allow comparison over time against other factors that fluctuate and have an impact on the environmental performance of the airports. The two chosen key performance indicators are aircraft movements and passenger numbers.

This chart shows intensity metrics for:

- Location based Scope 2 and tenant energy included in Scopes 1 & 2
- Market based Scope 2 and tenant energy in Scope 3 (Reported since 2018)



# Key Stats - Intensity Metrics comparison over time - 2



The table below shows the figures from the chart on the previous slide for:

- Location based Scope 2 and tenant energy included in Scopes 1 & 2
- Market based Scope 2 and tenant energy in Scope 3 (Reported since 2018)

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
<b>ATM</b>	113,203	98,363	98,309	92,943	91,711
<b>PAX</b>	3,505,164	3,048,787	3,132,652	3,092,007	2,966,389
<b>% Change in ATM (year-on-year)</b>	N/A	-13.1%	-0.1%	-5.5%	-1.3%
<b>% Change in PAX (year-on-year)</b>	N/A	-13.0%	2.8%	-1.3%	-4.1%

<b>Scope 1 &amp; 2 (tCO<sub>2</sub>e) Location Based Scope 2 Tenant energy in Scopes 1 &amp; 2</b>	8,581	7,512	6,397	5,691	5,285
<b>kgCO<sub>2</sub>e/ATM</b>	75.8	76.4	65.1	61.2	57.6
<b>kgCO<sub>2</sub>e/PAX</b>	2.4	2.5	2.0	1.8	1.8

<b>Scope 1 &amp; 2 (tCO<sub>2</sub>e) Market Based Scope 2 Tenant energy in Scope 3</b>	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	2,879	1,351
<b>kgCO<sub>2</sub>e/ATM</b>	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	31.0	14.7
<b>kgCO<sub>2</sub>e/PAX</b>	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	0.9	0.5

\* Note that for 2015-2017 no figures for this methodology are available

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AGS Airports Limited, a partnership between Ferrovial and Macquarie Infrastructure and Real Assets (MIRA), owns Aberdeen International Airport Limited (ABZ). The airport operates 365 days per year serving around 3 million passengers and handling around 92,000 aircraft movements. AGS Airports employ around 750 full-time staff (FTE), with 204 based at Aberdeen Airport many of whom commute to the airport by car or public transport, though cycling has become more popular in recent years. To continue operating in an environmentally responsible manner, it is important for the airport to monitor and manage all its emissions from all operations.

The calculation of the annual carbon footprint will help AGS Airports Limited and the individual airports understand the different areas which contribute to their overall carbon footprint and monitor changes on a yearly basis. This process will help identify improvement opportunities, which will ultimately reduce AGS Airports' carbon footprint and associated costs. In addition, the success of any management strategies previously implemented can be evaluated.

**Aberdeen International  
Airport**

# Carbon Emissions by Source and Activity 2019 - 1



Aberdeen Airport's emissions can be broken down by activity as seen in this table.

The main activities that contribute to the footprint are aircraft movements and passenger surface access

Staff commute emissions have risen by 1,436% in 2019 as 3<sup>rd</sup> party staff are now included

Utilities include natural gas and refrigerant usage in the terminal as well as electricity consumption

Daily operation and staff activities at the airport contribute a small overall percentage of the carbon footprint

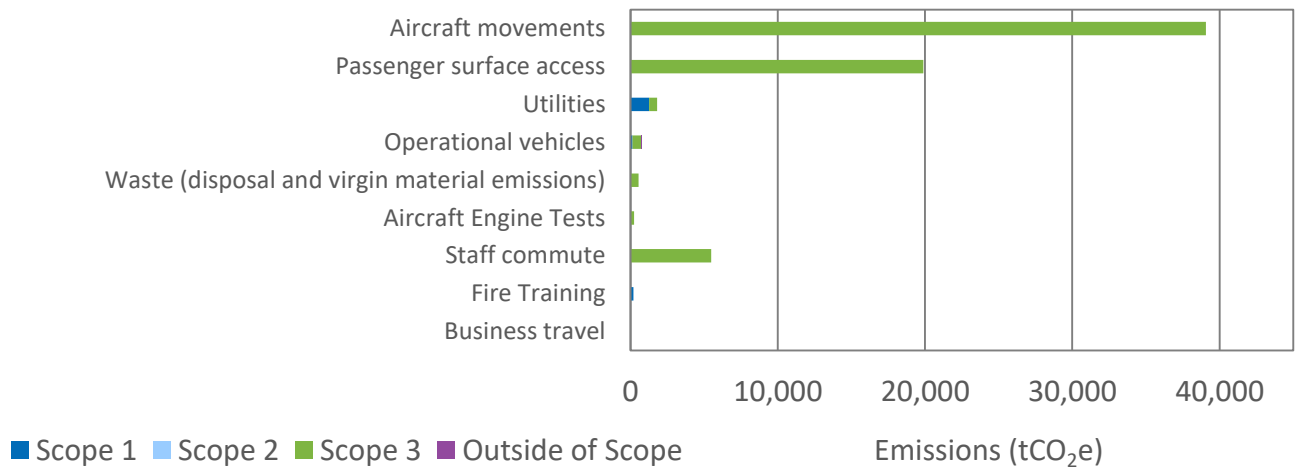
Emissions Source	Scope 1 (tCO <sub>2</sub> e)	Scope 2 (tCO <sub>2</sub> e)	Scope 3 (tCO <sub>2</sub> e)	Outside of Scope (tCO <sub>2</sub> e)	Total (tCO <sub>2</sub> e)	% of Total Emissions
Aircraft movements	0	0	39,065	0	39,065	57.6%
Passenger surface access	0	0	19,895	0	19,895	29.3%
Staff commute	0	0	5,476	0	5,476	8.1%
Utilities	1,039	0	552	0	1,591	2.3%
Operational vehicles	137	0	631	6	773	1.1%
Waste (disposal and virgin material emissions)	0	0	556	0	556	0.8%
Aircraft Engine Tests	0	0	251	0	251	0.4%
Fire Training	175	0	0	0	175	0.3%
Business travel	0	0	11	0	11	0.02%
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,351</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>66,436</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>67,793</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Accounts for the direct carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) impact of using biofuels in airport vehicles

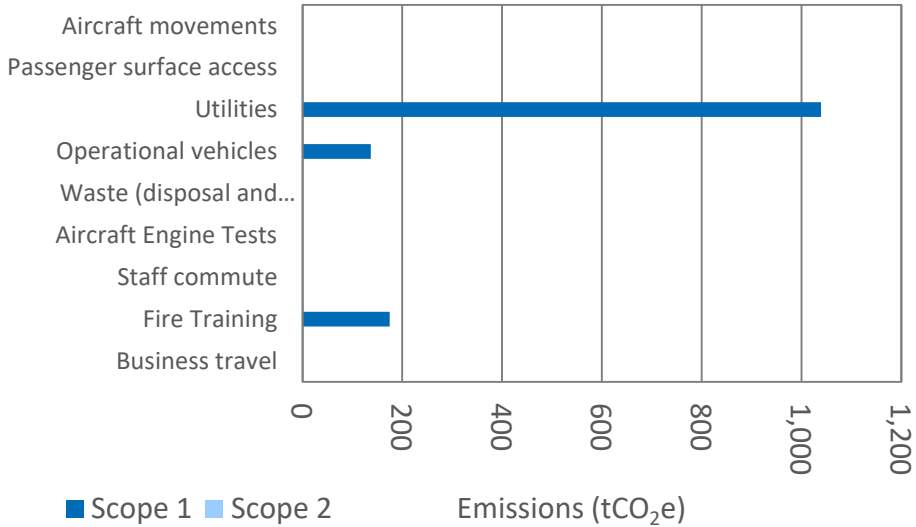
# Carbon Emissions by Source and Activity 2019 - 2



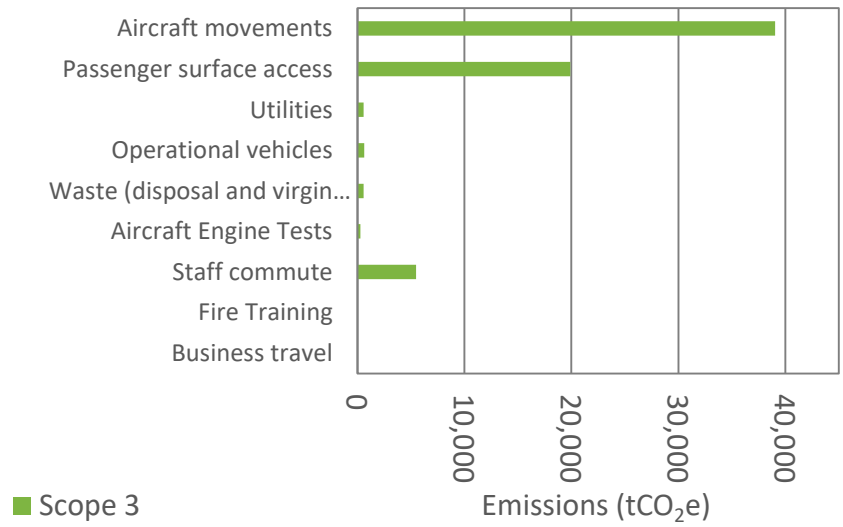
All Scopes carbon emissions split by source/activity



Scopes 1 and 2 carbon emissions split by source/activity



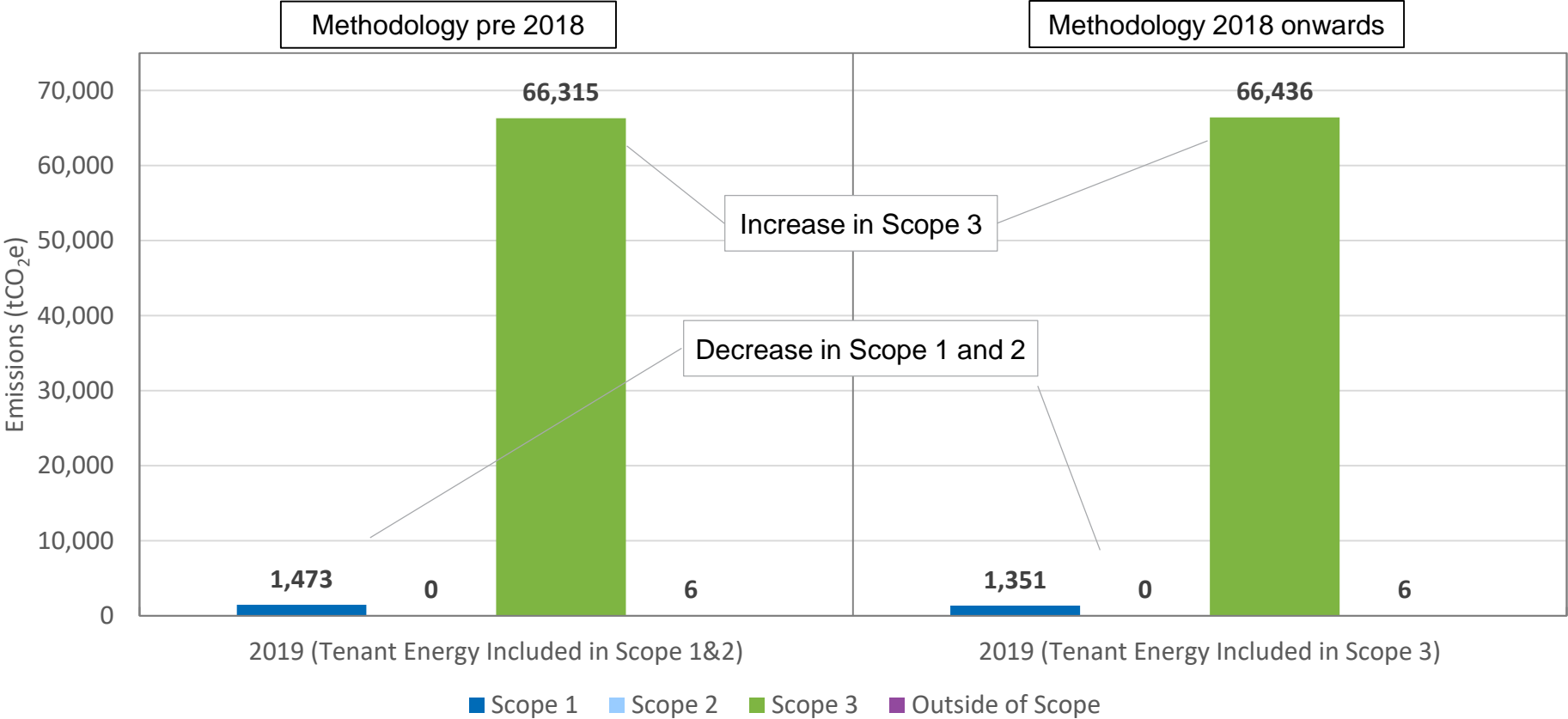
Scope 3 carbon emissions split by source/activity



# Tenant Energy



- As tenant energy is out with the control of the airport, this has now been moved to Scope 3 emissions in order to more clearly identify the airports controllable emissions.
  - This has decreased the airports Scope 2 emissions but the Total Emissions figure accounts for both airport consumption and tenant consumption.
- All tenant energy that is contained in Scope 3 is metered data.
- Comparison of carbon emissions split by scope when tenant energy remains in Scopes 1 and 2 (old methodology, left), and separated out into Scope 3 (new methodology, right).

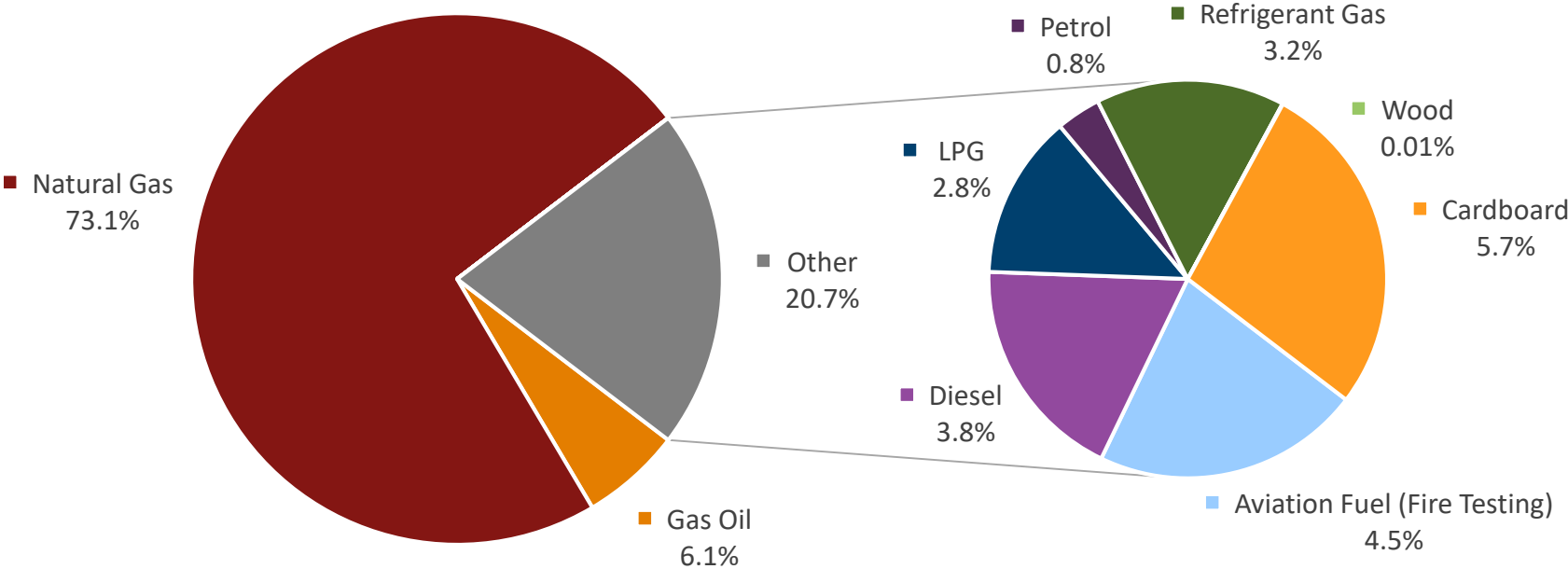


# Scope 1 Emissions Sources



**Scope 1 = 1,351 tCO<sub>2</sub>e (2.0% of Total)**

Scope 1 emissions are under the direct control of the airport.



## Scope 2 = 0 tCO<sub>2</sub>e (0.0% of Total)

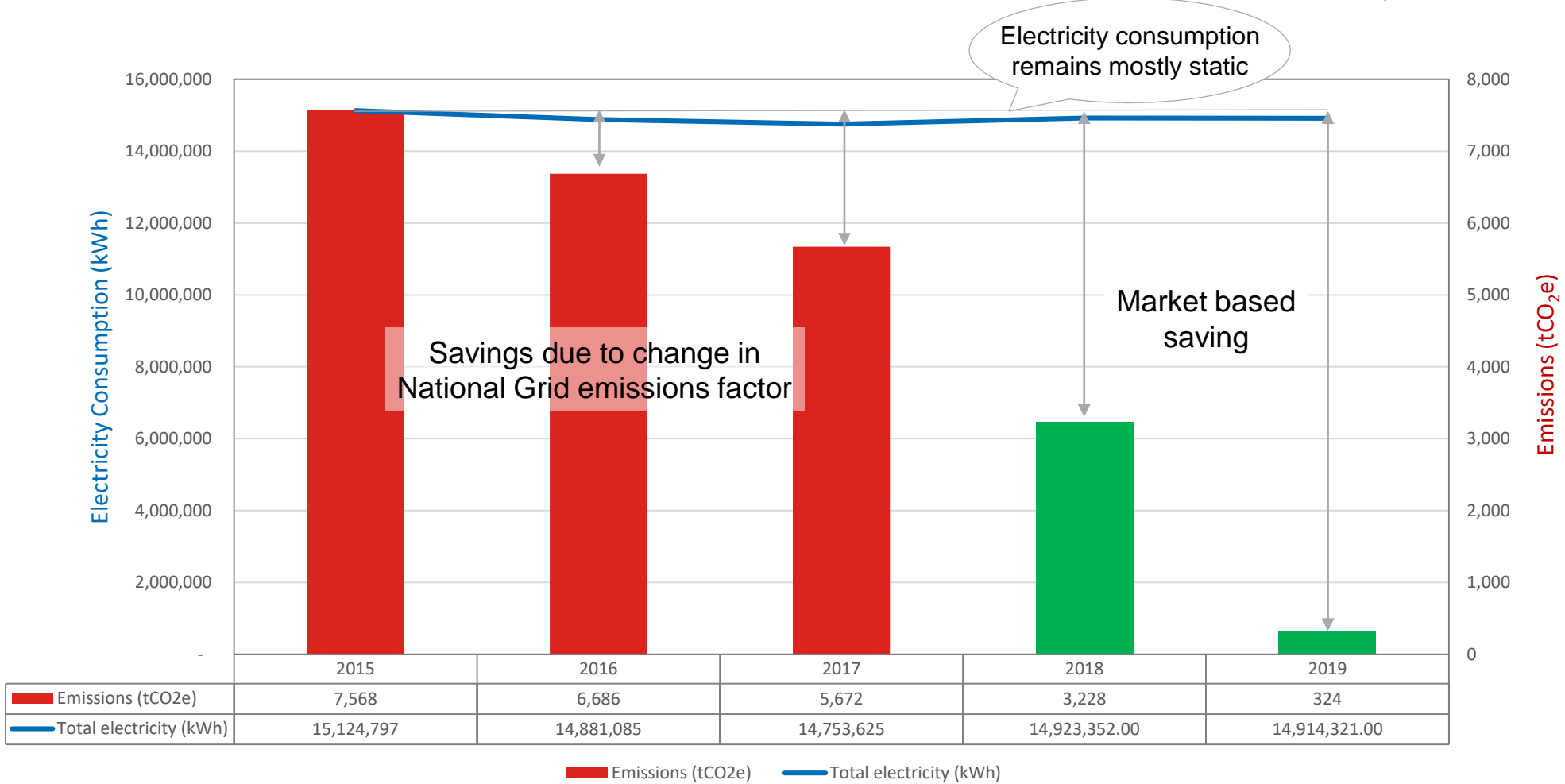
Scope 2 emissions relate to the electricity consumption at the airport. These can be calculated as:

- Location-based method; this reflects the average emissions intensity of macro-scale (regional/national) electricity grids where energy consumption occurs. Companies reporting using this method should use the regional/National Grid average emission factor. In the UK, this would be sourced from the Defra/DECC UK Government conversion factors for Company Reporting.
- Market-based method; this reflects the emissions from the electricity that a company is purchasing. Energy suppliers in the EU are already required, by law, to disclose to consumers the fuel mix and GHG emissions associated with their portfolio or tariffs. This airport selects to purchase energy that is greener than the National Grid average emissions factor. The advantage of procuring energy that is higher in renewable energy sources than that of the National Grid average emissions factor is outlined in the table below.

	Location-based (tCO <sub>2</sub> e)	Market-based (tCO <sub>2</sub> e)
<b>Airport Electricity Emissions (Scope 2)</b>	1,621	0

- Here, market-based emissions are zero because the airport purchased 100% green electricity from its energy suppliers. REGO certificates have been provided for electricity consumed between Jan-Mar 2019, and a supplier statement provided for the remainder of 2019 that indicates that the supply is 100% renewable and REGOs will be available in mid-2020.
- The following slide provides an annual comparison of the electricity consumption and relevant emissions at Aberdeen Airport.

# Comparison of Electricity Consumption and Carbon Emissions



There has been a small deviation in total electrical consumption since 2015. The majority of savings in emissions is due to the increase of renewables on the national electrical grid or purchasing electricity that is high in renewable energy (market based savings).

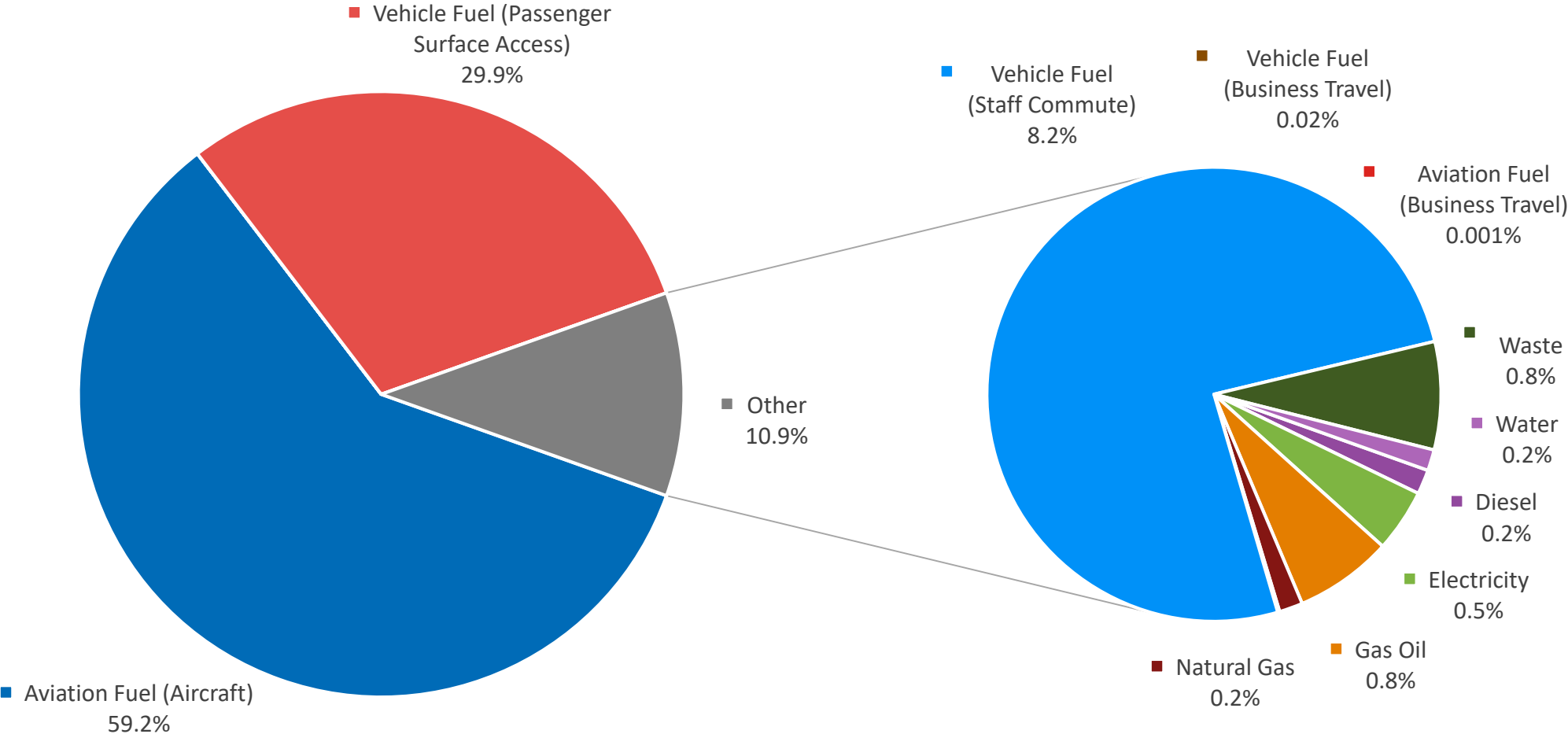
Note: to allow for better comparison to previous years, the figures for electricity emissions above include tenant electricity use, as well at Transmission and Distribution emissions.

# Scope 3 Emissions Sources



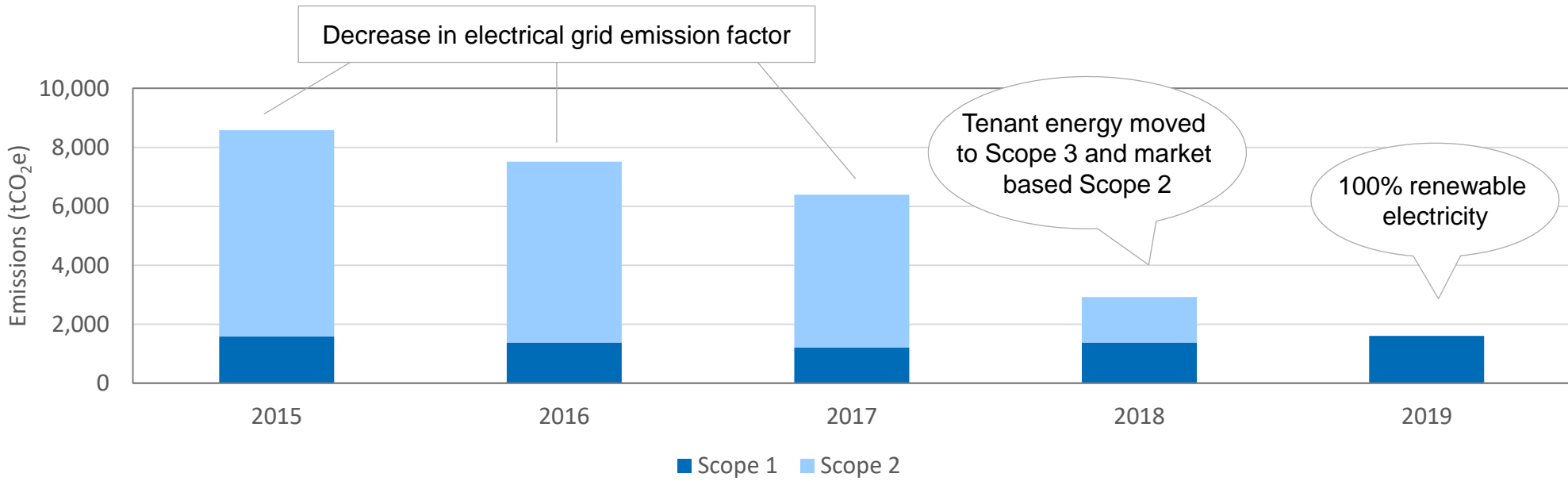
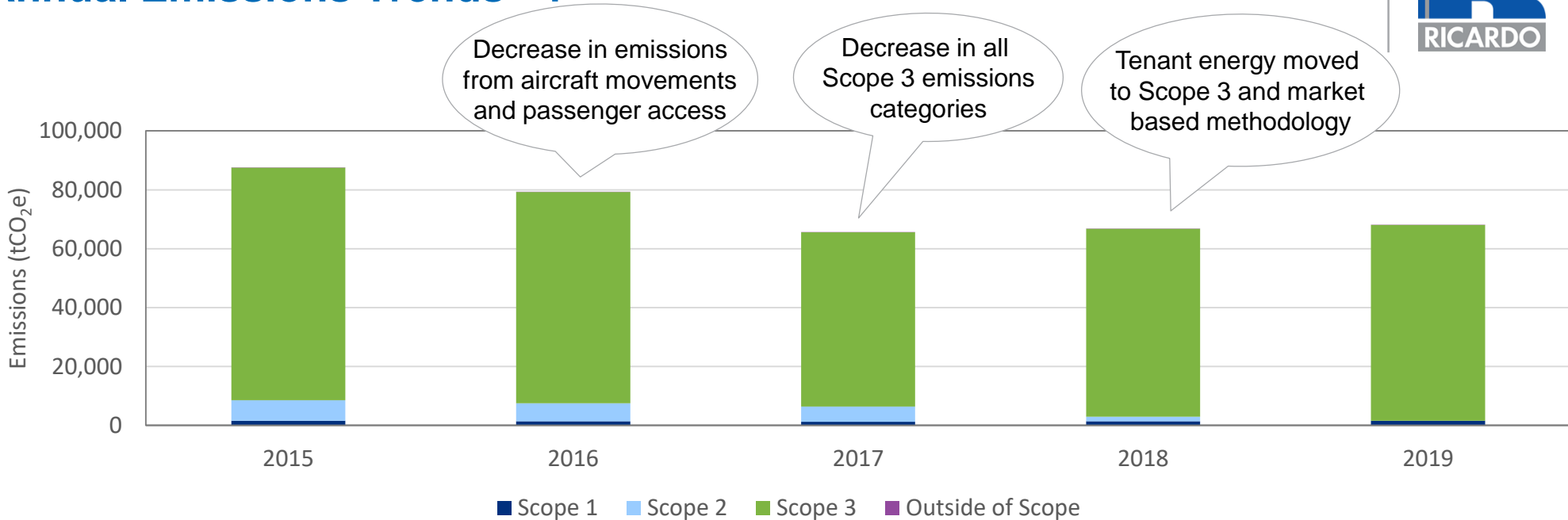
## Scope 3 = 66,436 tCO<sub>2</sub>e (97.7% of Total)

Unlike Scope 1 and Scope 2 emissions, emissions categorised as Scope 3 are not generally under the direct control of the airport.





# Annual Emissions Trends - 1



## Annual Emissions Trends - 2



The table below shows the figures from the charts on the previous slide, as well as the % year-on-year (y-o-y) change of the different emissions scopes.

Emissions by Scope	2015 emissions (tCO <sub>2</sub> e)	2016 emissions (tCO <sub>2</sub> e)	2017 emissions (tCO <sub>2</sub> e)	2018 emissions (tCO <sub>2</sub> e)*	2019 emissions (tCO <sub>2</sub> e)*
Scope 1	1,591	1,380	1,210	1,340	1,351
Scope 2	6,991	6,132	5,187	1,539	0
Scopes 1 and 2	<b>8,581</b>	<b>7,512</b>	<b>6,397</b>	<b>2,879</b>	<b>1,351</b>
Scope 3	78,960	71,717	59,144	63,868	66,436
Outside of Scopes	6	6	4	4	6
<b>Total emissions</b>	<b>87,547</b>	<b>79,235</b>	<b>65,545</b>	<b>66,750</b>	<b>67,793</b>
Scope 1 % y-o-y change	N/A	-13%	-12%	+11%	+1%
Scope 2 % y-o-y change	N/A	-12%	-15%	-70%	-100%
Scope 1 & 2 % y-o-y change	<b>N/A</b>	<b>-12%</b>	<b>-15%</b>	<b>-55%</b>	<b>-53%</b>
Scope 3 % y-o-y change	N/A	-9%	-18%	8%	4%
Outside of Scopes % y-o-y change	N/A	2%	-39%	0%	62%
<b>Total % y-o-y change</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>-9%</b>	<b>-17%</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>2%</b>

\* Note that for 2018 and 2019 Scope 2 emissions are reported using the market based methodology and tenant energy is moved to Scope 3.

## Annual Emissions Trends - 3

Changes to footprint methodology in 2019:

- 3<sup>rd</sup> party staff commute included in Scope 3 emissions

Emissions sources with largest changes from 2018:

- Electricity emissions (Scope 2) **reduced** by 100% due to renewable energy supply
- Waste emissions (Scope 3) **reduced** by 36%
- Operational vehicle fuel emissions (Scopes 1 & 3) **reduced** by 17% (both airport and 3<sup>rd</sup> party)
- Employee commute emissions (Scope 3) **increased** by 1,436% as 3<sup>rd</sup> party staff are now included
- Fire training emissions (Scope 1) **increased** by 107%, primarily due to burning of cardboard
- Business travel emissions (Scopes 1 & 3) increased by 151%
- Natural gas emissions (Scope 1) **increased** by 15% due to an increase in consumption of 11%



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## Appendix – Outside of Scope Emissions

As per UK Government GHG Conversion Factors for Company Reporting guidance, Outside of Scope factors should be used to account for the direct carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) impact of burning biomass and biofuels. The emissions are labelled 'outside of scope' because the Scope 1 impact of these fuels has been determined to be a net '0' (since the fuel source itself absorbs an equivalent amount of CO<sub>2</sub> during the growth phase as the amount of CO<sub>2</sub> released through combustion). As a result, full reporting of any fuel from a biogenic source should have the 'outside of scope' CO<sub>2</sub> value documented to ensure complete accounting for the emissions created.

2019 = **6 tCO<sub>2</sub>e** (0.008% of total emissions)

The following sections provide a summary of the methodology adopted by Ricardo Energy & Environment to calculate the 2019 carbon footprint for the Airports.

The standard approach to carbon footprinting is to use the Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Protocol Corporate Accounting and Reporting Standard developed by World Business Council for Sustainable Development (WBCSD) and the World Resources Institute (WRI); this sets out a corporate accounting and reporting methodology for GHGs.

**Scope 1 emissions** are defined as direct GHG emissions arising from sources that are owned or controlled by the company. The emissions result from activities that the company can have direct influence on through its actions. Airports' emissions that are included are: natural gas use, company owned vehicles fuel use, fuel use for business travel, refrigerant gas use (from leaks during maintenance or malfunction), wood pallets and diesel use for fire training, propane combustion and kerosene combustion.

**Scope 2 emissions** are associated with the use of electricity imported from the grid or from a third-party supplier of energy in the form of heat or electricity. These indirect GHG emissions are due to upstream emissions from the production and delivery of fuel to power stations. Airports can influence the amount of electricity it uses; however, it has little control over the generation of the electricity and these emissions are therefore classed as Scope 2.

**Scope 3 emissions** are defined as those arising as an indirect consequence of the use of goods or services provided by the company. Airports do have some influence over Scope 3 emissions but the activities are not under its control. Sources included by Airports include aircraft (all aircraft movements up to a height of 1,000m above aerodrome level), employees commuting to the airport, passenger surface access to the airport, airside vehicle activities by third party operators, waste disposal (including production of the virgin materials), water (supply and treatment) and airport business travel.

**Market-based method:** As all of the 14,914,321 kWh of electricity consumption was supplied to Aberdeen Airport by a single supplier. Aberdeen Airport contacted the supplier and asked for the details of the fuel mix. The following breakdown was provided for the year-ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2019 (Source of Electricity, Percentage):

- **Renewables - 100%**

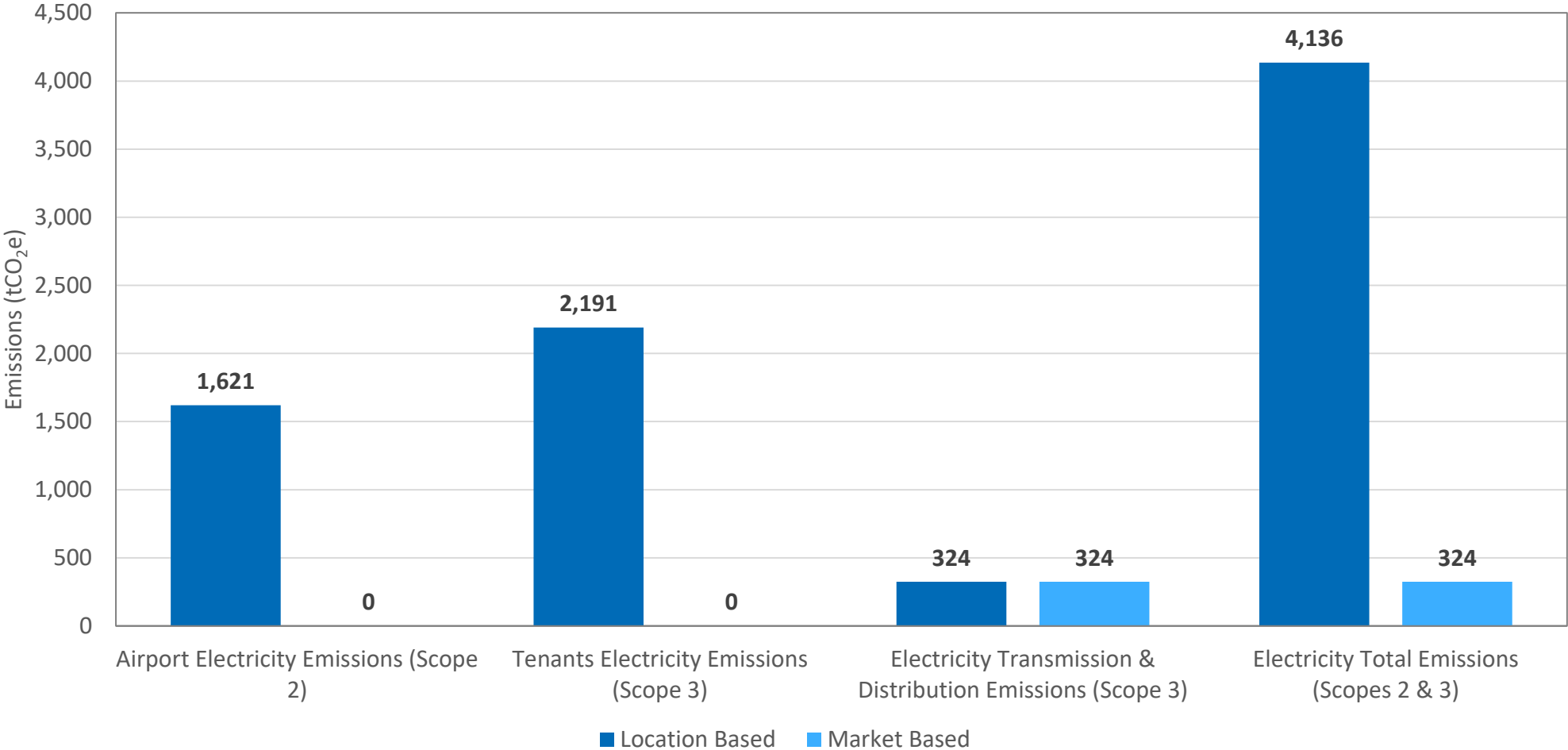
REGO certificates have been provided for electricity consumed between Jan-Mar 2019, and a supplier statement provided for the remainder of 2019 that indicates that the supply is 100% renewable and REGOs will be available in mid-2020.

The weighted emission factor was provided as 0 gCO<sub>2</sub>/kWh (or 0 kgCO<sub>2</sub>/kWh). Multiplying the electricity consumption of 14,914,321 kWh by the emission factor of 0 kgCO<sub>2</sub>/kWh calculates the emissions as 0 tCO<sub>2</sub>e.

# Location vs Market Based Emissions 2019



Scope 2 and 3 emissions due to electricity consumption (airport and tenant), calculated using either the location or market based emissions factors.





# Location Based Electricity Emissions Historical Comparison



To allow for a fair comparison to previous years, the figures for electricity emissions below include tenant electricity use (classified as Scope 3 in 2019 methodology).

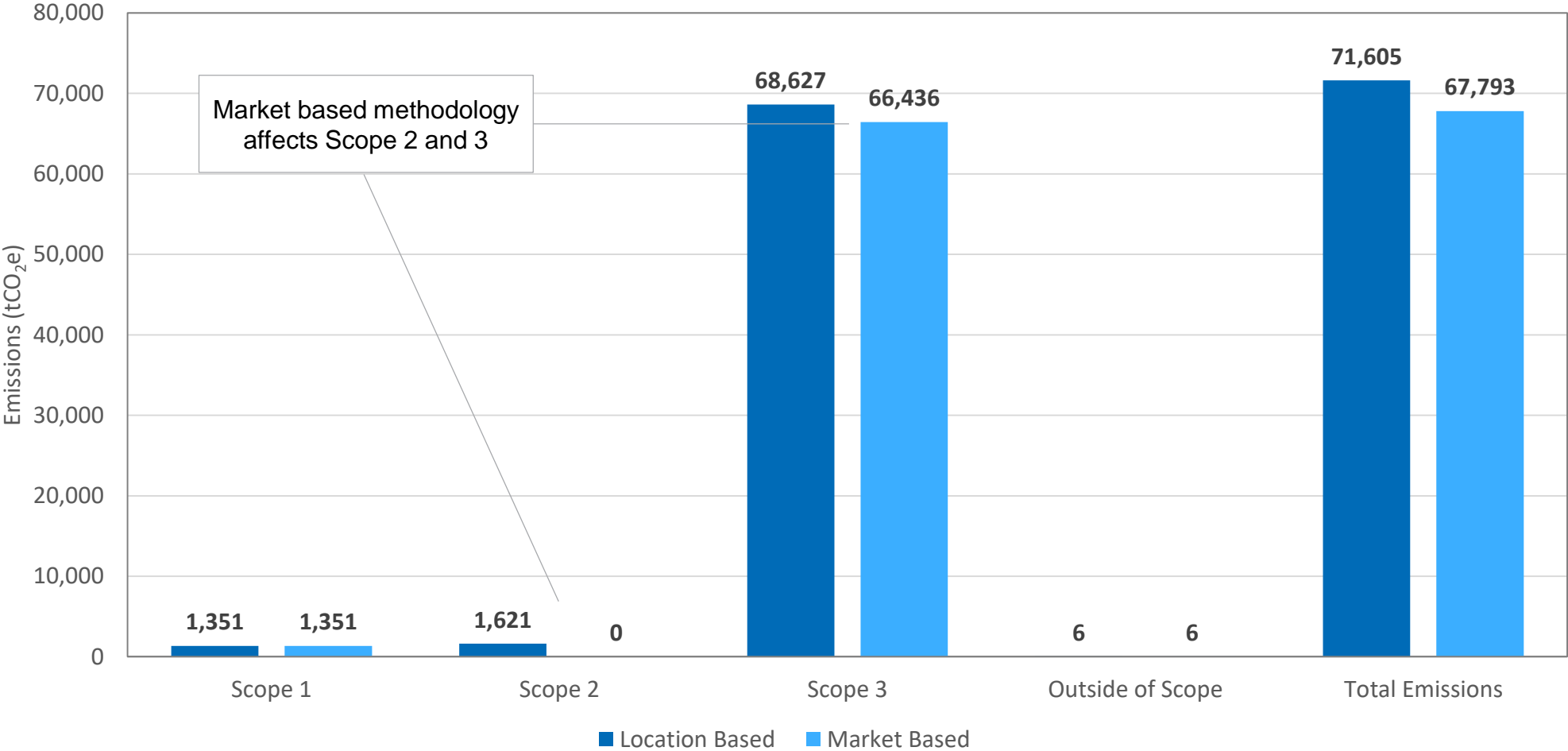
	2017 (Location Based)	2018 (Location Based)	2018 (Market Based)	2019 (Location Based)	2019 (Market Based)
Electricity (Scope 2 and 3) kgCO <sub>2</sub> e/kWh <u>Airport (Scope 2) + Tenants (Scope 3)</u>	0.35156	0.28307	0.19220	0.25560	0
Electricity T&D* losses (Scope 3) kgCO <sub>2</sub> e/kWh	0.03287	0.02413	0.02413	0.02413	0.02170
Electricity usage (kWh) total <u>Airport + Tenants</u>	14,753,625	14,923,352	14,923,352	14,914,321	14,914,321
Electricity (Scope 2 and 3) emissions tCO <sub>2</sub> e <u>Airport + Tenants</u>	5,187	4,224	2,868	3,812	0
Electricity T&D* losses (Scope 3) emissions tCO <sub>2</sub> e	485	360	360	324	324
Total electricity (Scope 2 and 3) emissions tCO <sub>2</sub> e <u>Airport + Tenants</u>	5,672	4,584	3,228	4,136	324

\* T&D = transmission and distribution

# Location vs Market Based Emissions 2019: All Scopes



Emissions totals by scope calculated using either the location or market based emissions factors. Tenant energy is included in Scope 3.



# Historical Emissions Trends



The table below shows emissions figures where for all years Scope 2 emissions are reported using the location based methodology and tenant energy us included in Scopes 1 & 2 for fair historical comparison.

Emissions by Scope	2015 emissions (tCO <sub>2</sub> e)	2016 emissions (tCO <sub>2</sub> e)	2017 emissions (tCO <sub>2</sub> e)	2018 emissions (tCO <sub>2</sub> e)	2019 emissions (tCO <sub>2</sub> e)
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Scope 3	78,960	71,717	59,144	62,411	66,315
Outside of Scopes	6	6	4	4	6
<b>Total emissions</b>	<b>87,547</b>	<b>79,235</b>	<b>65,545</b>	<b>68,106</b>	<b>71,605</b>
Scope 1 % y-o-y change	N/A	-13%	-12%	+21%	+0.4%
Scope 2 % y-o-y change	N/A	-12%	-15%	-19%	-10%
Scope 1 & 2 % y-o-y change	<b>N/A</b>	<b>-12%</b>	<b>-15%</b>	<b>-11%</b>	<b>-7%</b>
Scope 3 % y-o-y change	N/A	-9%	-18%	6%	6%
Outside of Scopes % y-o-y change	N/A	2%	-39%	0%	62%
<b>Total % y-o-y change</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>-9%</b>	<b>-17%</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>5%</b>

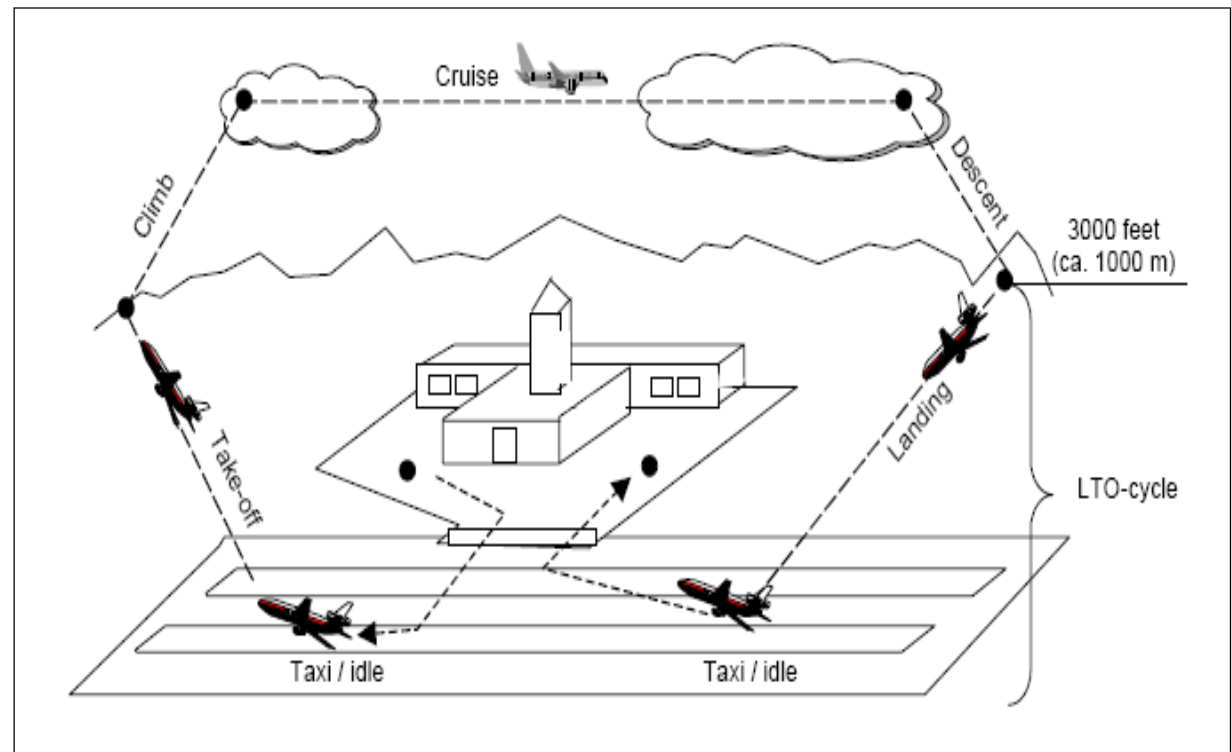
# Methodology – changes and our approach to the LTO Cycle

New methodology approach for 2019 includes:

- Tenant Energy consumption has been moved to Scope 3, as outside direct control of airport
- Electricity emissions utilise a market based emission factor as it reflects the green procurement practices of the airport
- This means that previous Scope 2 emissions are now in Scope 3, and remaining scope 2 emissions will be lower than previous years due to green procurement practices
- Updated methodology to calculate Aircraft Movement Emissions which has been applied to historic years (2015 onwards) to maintain yearly comparisons

This assessment has considered a number of modes of aircraft operations within the LTO cycle, and assumptions have been applied based on the aircraft type, the typical aircraft engine thrust setting and the actual engine fitted to the aircraft. This study has considered the following LTO phases:

- Ground movements; Taxiing (in and out), time in runway hold, and use of auxiliary power units (APUs)
- Departing flights; Take-off roll, initial climb (to 450m), and climb (to 1,000m)
- Arriving flights; Approach (from 1,000m); landing Roll, and use of reverse thrust



Term	Definition
<b>Arisings</b>	Materials forming the secondary or waste products of industrial operations.
<b>ATM</b>	Air traffic movements – an aircraft take-off or landing at an airport. For airport traffic purposes one arrival and one departure is counted as two movements.
<b>Carbon dioxide equivalent (CO<sub>2</sub>e)</b>	The carbon dioxide equivalent (CO <sub>2</sub> e) allows the different greenhouse gases to be compared on a like-for-like basis relative to one unit of CO <sub>2</sub> . CO <sub>2</sub> e is calculated by multiplying the emissions of each of the six greenhouse gases by its 100-year global warming potential (GWP).
<b>Carbon footprint</b>	A carbon footprint measures the total greenhouse gas emissions caused directly and indirectly by a person, organisation, event or product. A carbon footprint is measured in tonnes of carbon dioxide equivalent (tCO <sub>2</sub> e).
<b>Degree days</b>	A unit used to determine the heating or cooling requirements of buildings, representing a fall or increase of one degree below a specified average outdoor temperature for one day.
<b>Emission factor</b>	An emissions factor is a representative value that attempts to relate the quantity of a pollutant released to the atmosphere with an activity associated with the release of that pollutant.
<b>GHG</b>	Greenhouse gas – a gas in an atmosphere that absorbs and emits radiation within the thermal infrared range. This process is the fundamental cause of the greenhouse effect. The primary greenhouse gases in Earth's atmosphere are water vapour, carbon dioxide, methane, nitrous oxide, and ozone.
<b>Outside of Scope</b>	<p>All fuels with biogenic content (e.g. 'Diesel and petrol (average biofuel blend)') should have the 'Outside of Scope' emissions reported to ensure a complete picture of an organisations' emissions are created.</p> <p>The emissions are labelled 'Outside of Scope' because the Scope 1 impact of these fuels has been determined to be a net '0' (since the fuel source itself absorbs an equivalent amount of CO<sub>2</sub> during the growth phase as the that CO<sub>2</sub> is released through combustion).</p>
<b>PAX</b>	Number of passengers.