

# Building back better

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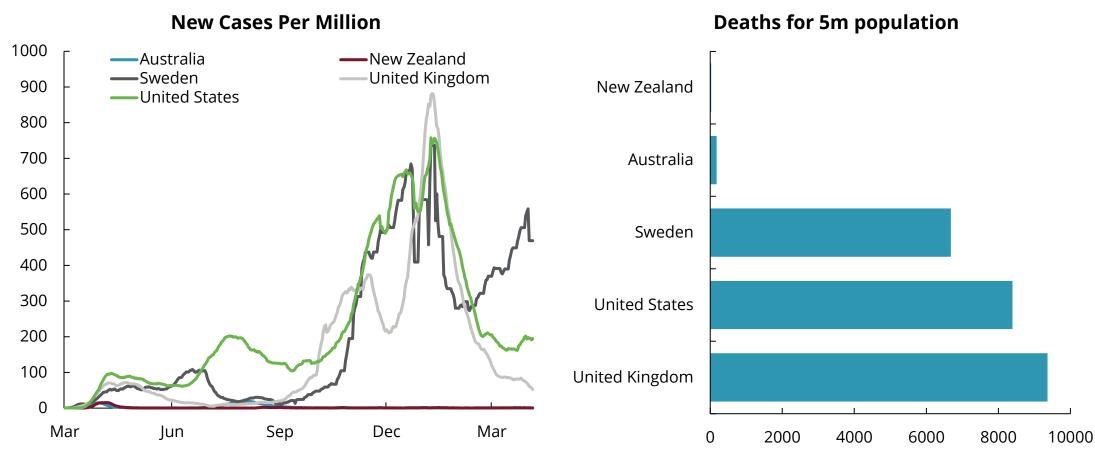
# The future of the green economy



# Crisis: Pandemic

Bold and urgent action

## Pandemic



Source: Our World in Data

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#### Adaptation & return to normal

**Telecommute workers** GDP Growth 2020 & Covid Deaths 3,000 1500 2,500 Covid Deaths per million USA 1000 CHL Number employed, 000s MEX 2,000 1m people CAN 500 worked from home RUS 1,500 during 2Q2020 2,654 IDN CHN MYS PHL AUS BRN 1,000 0 Do not usually TWNLVNM KOR HKG PNG work remotely THA SGP NZL 500 -500 Usually work remotely -10 -5 5 0 0 2020 GDP Growth **Total workers** Telecommute in 2Q2020

## Unprecedented response



#### Central banks are acting

Near zero interest rates Asset purchases (quantitative easing, including local debt) But losing relevance



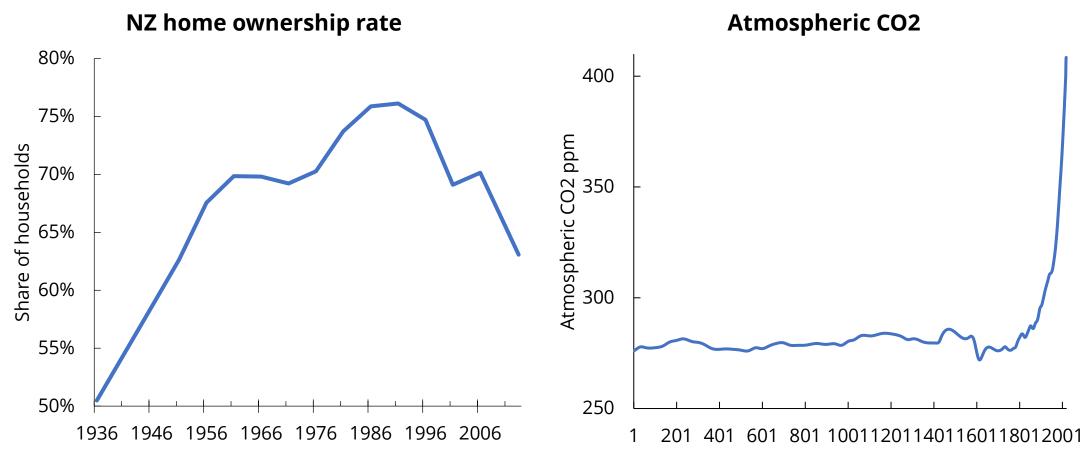
#### Governments unleash \$\$\$

Stimulus to support households & businesses Infrastructure spend More interventionist approach **Key economic manager** 

# Crises: Climate Change; Housing; inequality...

Slow and cautious

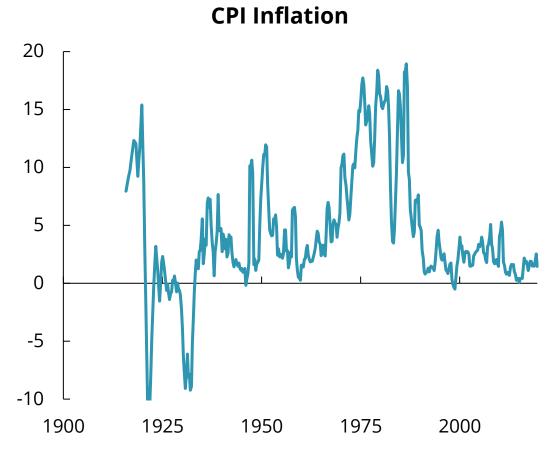
#### Crises



Source: Eaqub & Eaqub (2015, updated) "Generation Rent" BWB Texts

Source: Scripps CO2 Program, NOAA

# Regime change



• Great Depression: Social democracy &

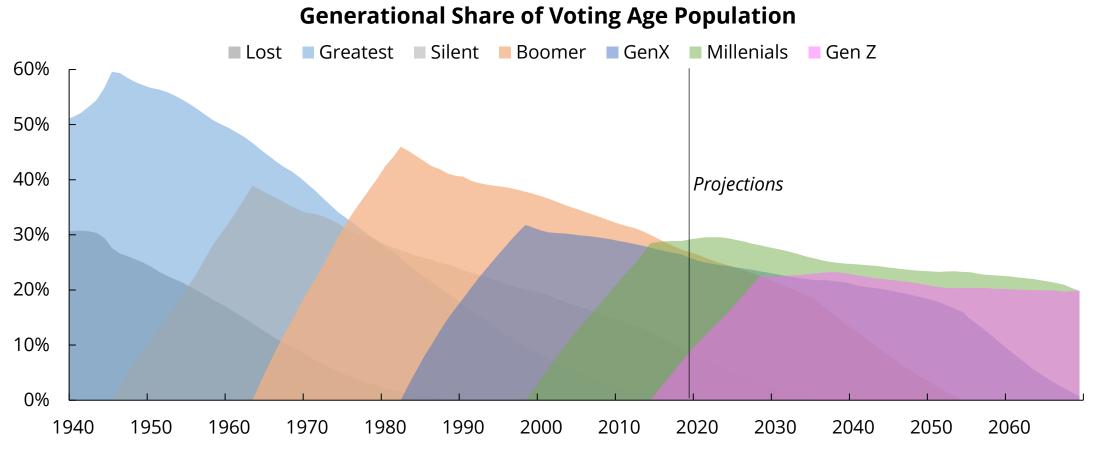
welfare state

- Exchange rate crisis: monetarism
- Oil shocks & stagflation: neoliberalism &

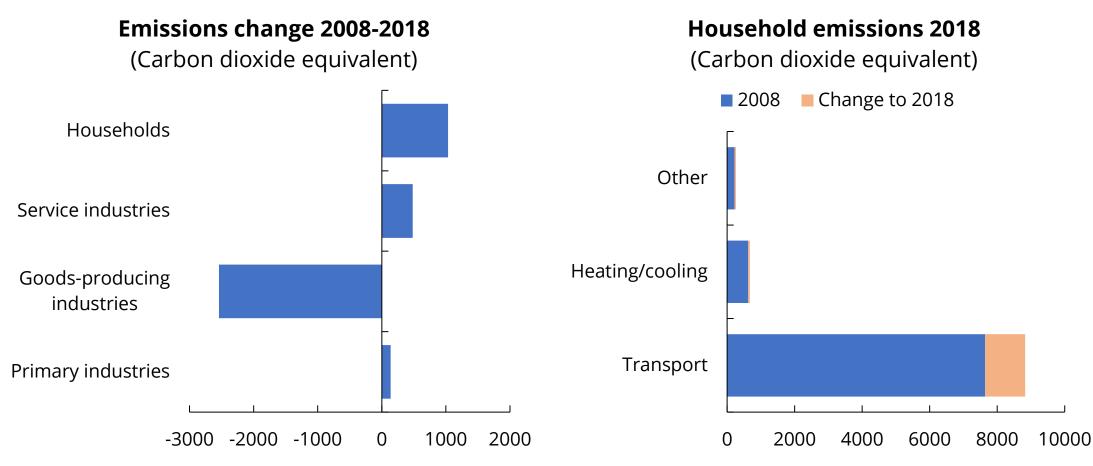
independent central bank

• GFC & Pandemic: nation building?

## Political consensus harder to reach

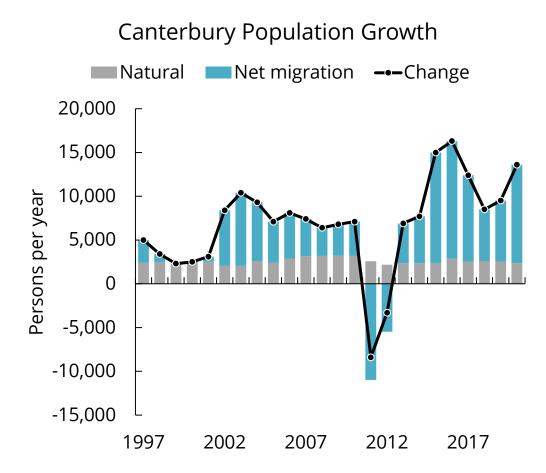


## Climate, housing and transport overlap



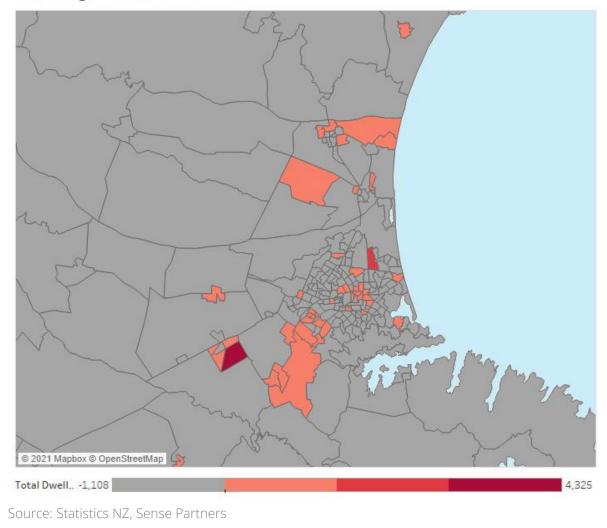
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# Lessons from rebuilding Canterbury

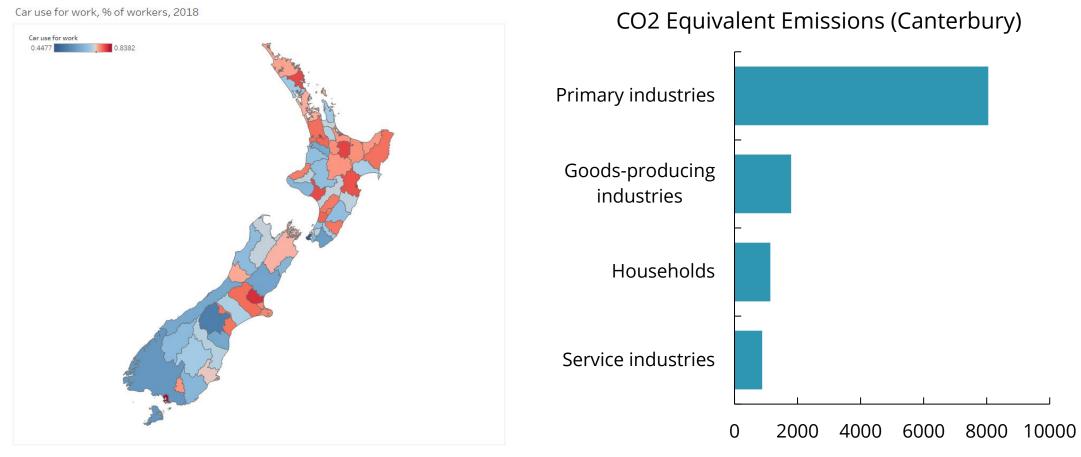


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Dwelling Consents 2010-2020



# Locked in bad habits



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# Lessons to build back better

Climate change must cut across every policy/decision

Where and how we live critical

#### Nation building lens

- Rules and regulations
- Co-ordination
- Coherence
- Money
- Mitigation.
- Certainty/durability

#### Thank You.



