

# Electric vehicles in New Zealand: today and tomorrow

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# Global EV momentum gathering pace

**It took 20 years to sell the first million EVs globally, 18 months to sell the second million and 8 months to sell the third million**

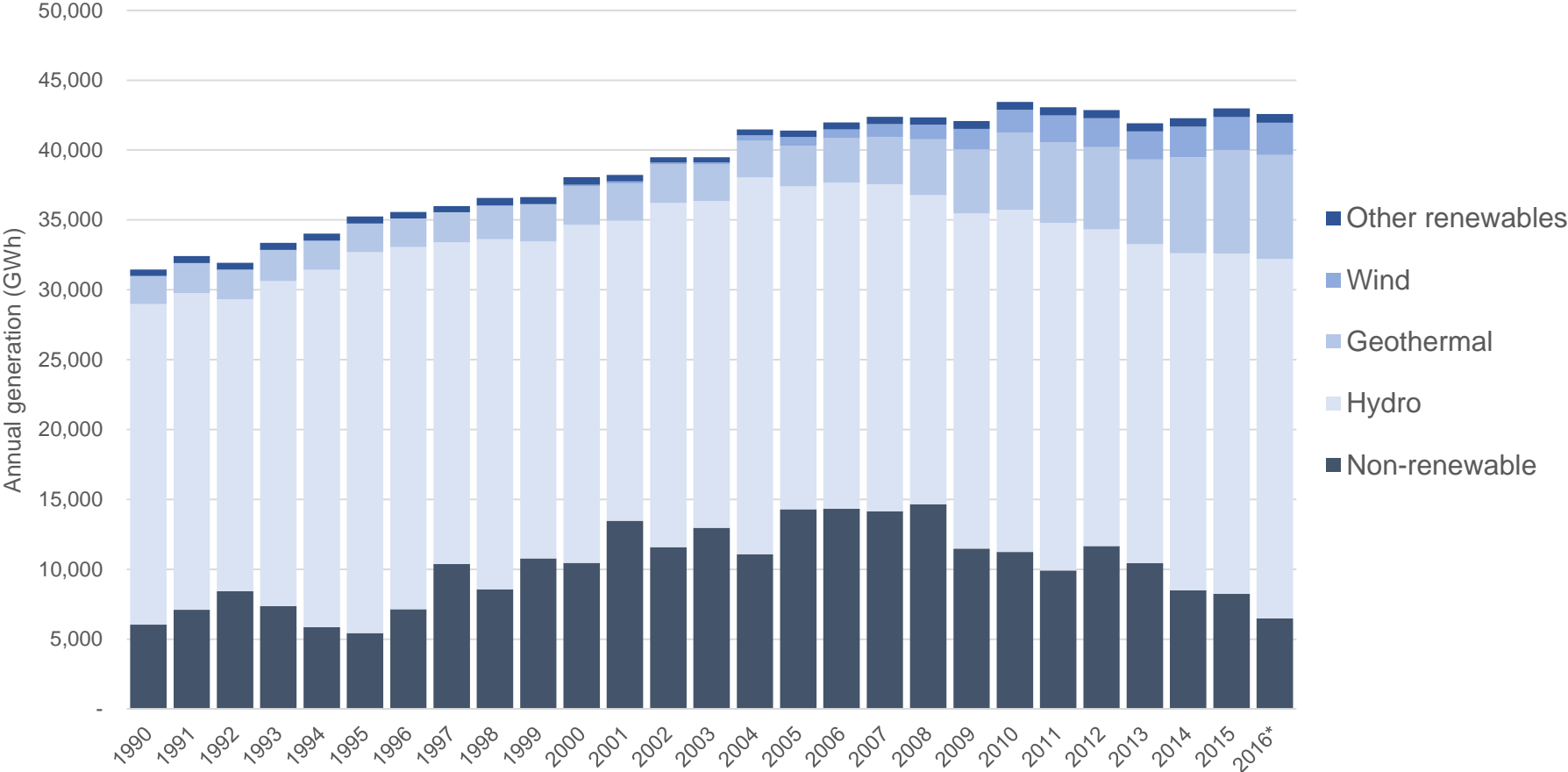


**Countries to ban the sale of ICE vehicles:**  
2025 – Norway;  
2030 – Ireland, Germany, Netherlands;  
2040 – France, UK, Israel, Taiwan

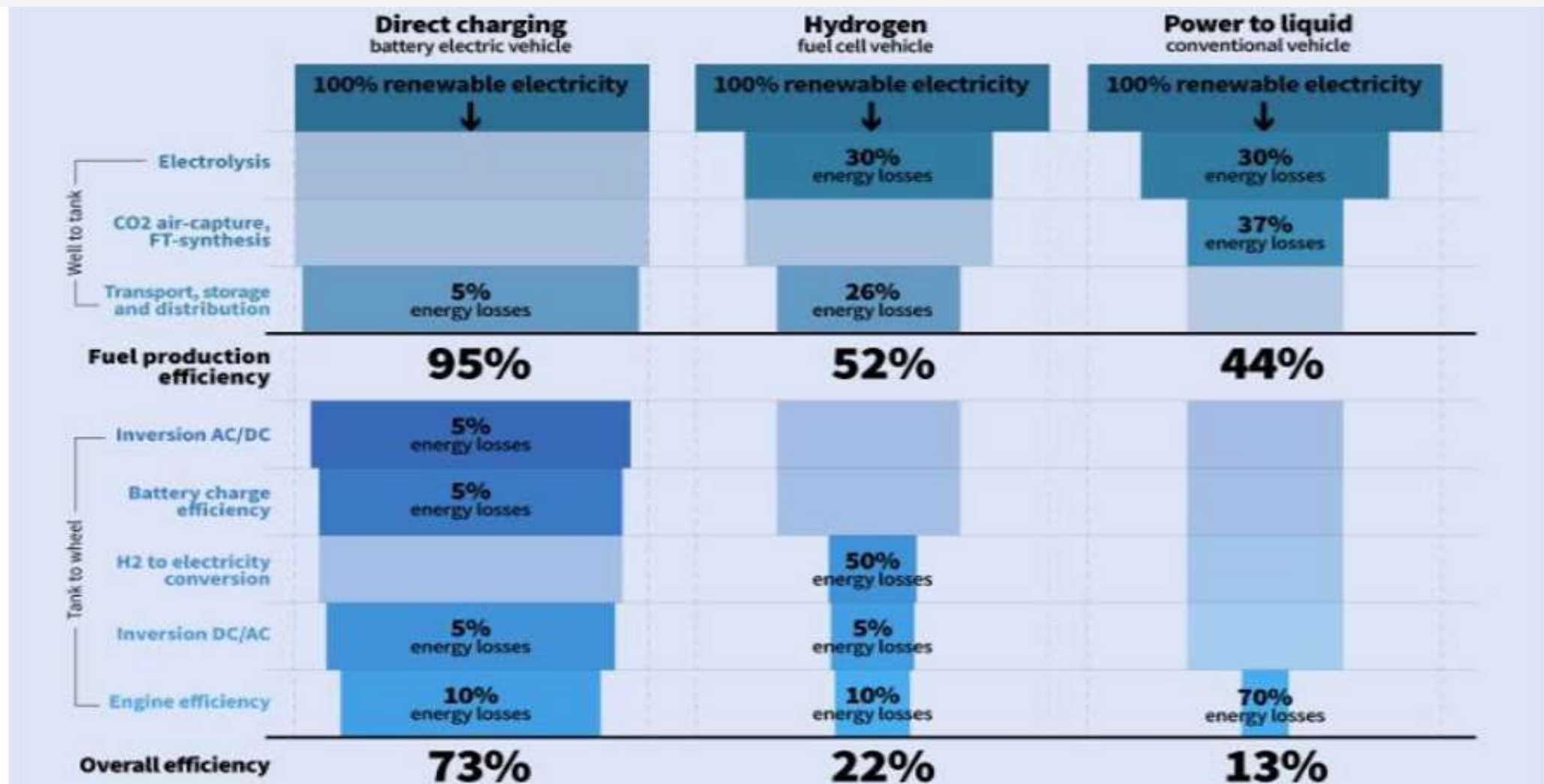


# 85% of NZ electricity generation is now renewable

NZ Electricity generation by source 1990 to 2016



# Renewable electricity to transport energy



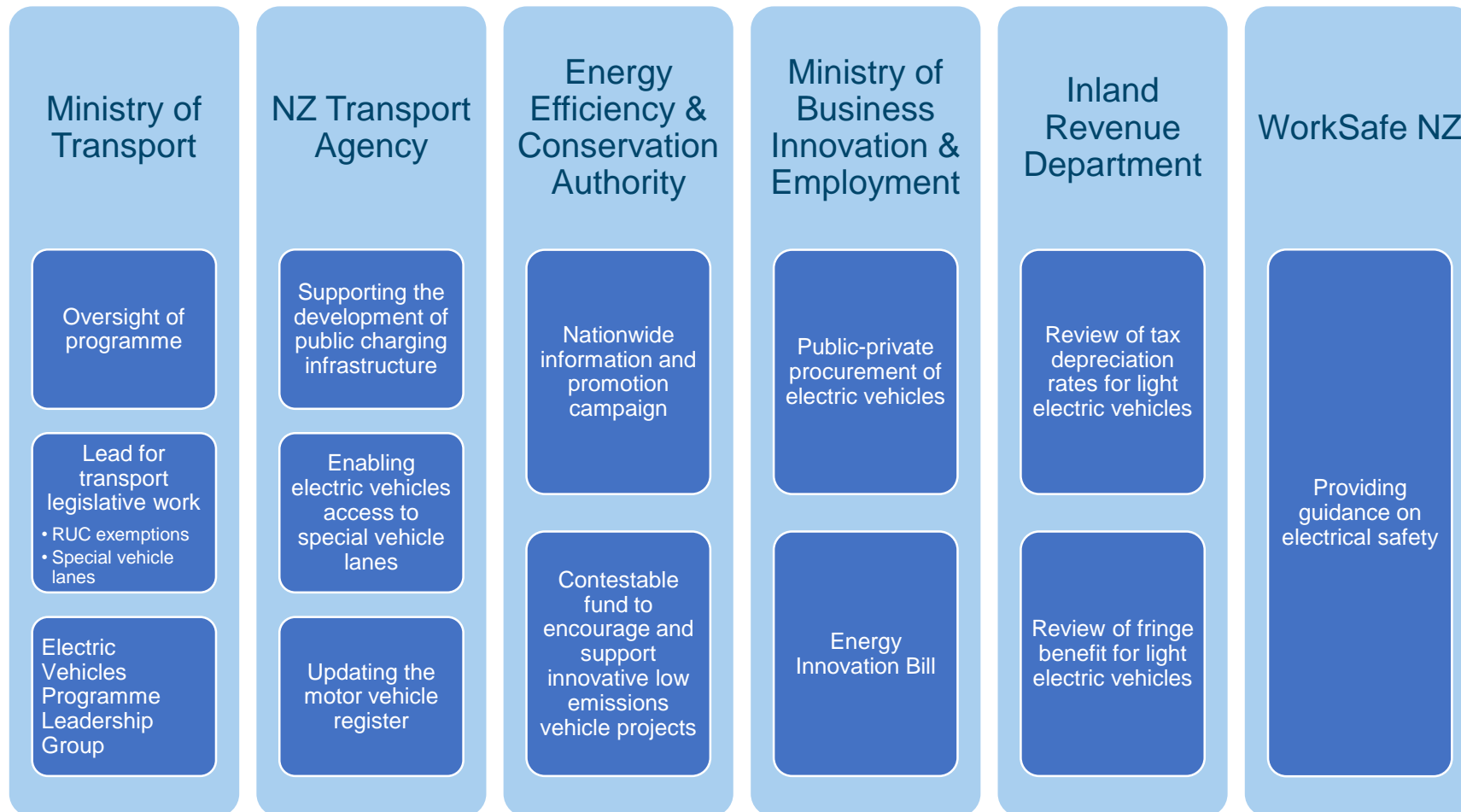
Source: Roadmap to climate friendly land freight and buses in Europe, Transport and Environment, June 2017

[https://www.transportenvironment.org/sites/te/files/publications/Full %20Roadmap%20freight%20buses%20Europe 2050\\_FINAL%20VERSION\\_corrected%20%28%29.pdf](https://www.transportenvironment.org/sites/te/files/publications/Full%20Roadmap%20freight%20buses%20Europe%202050_FINAL%20VERSION_corrected%20%28%29.pdf)

# New Zealand's EV advantage

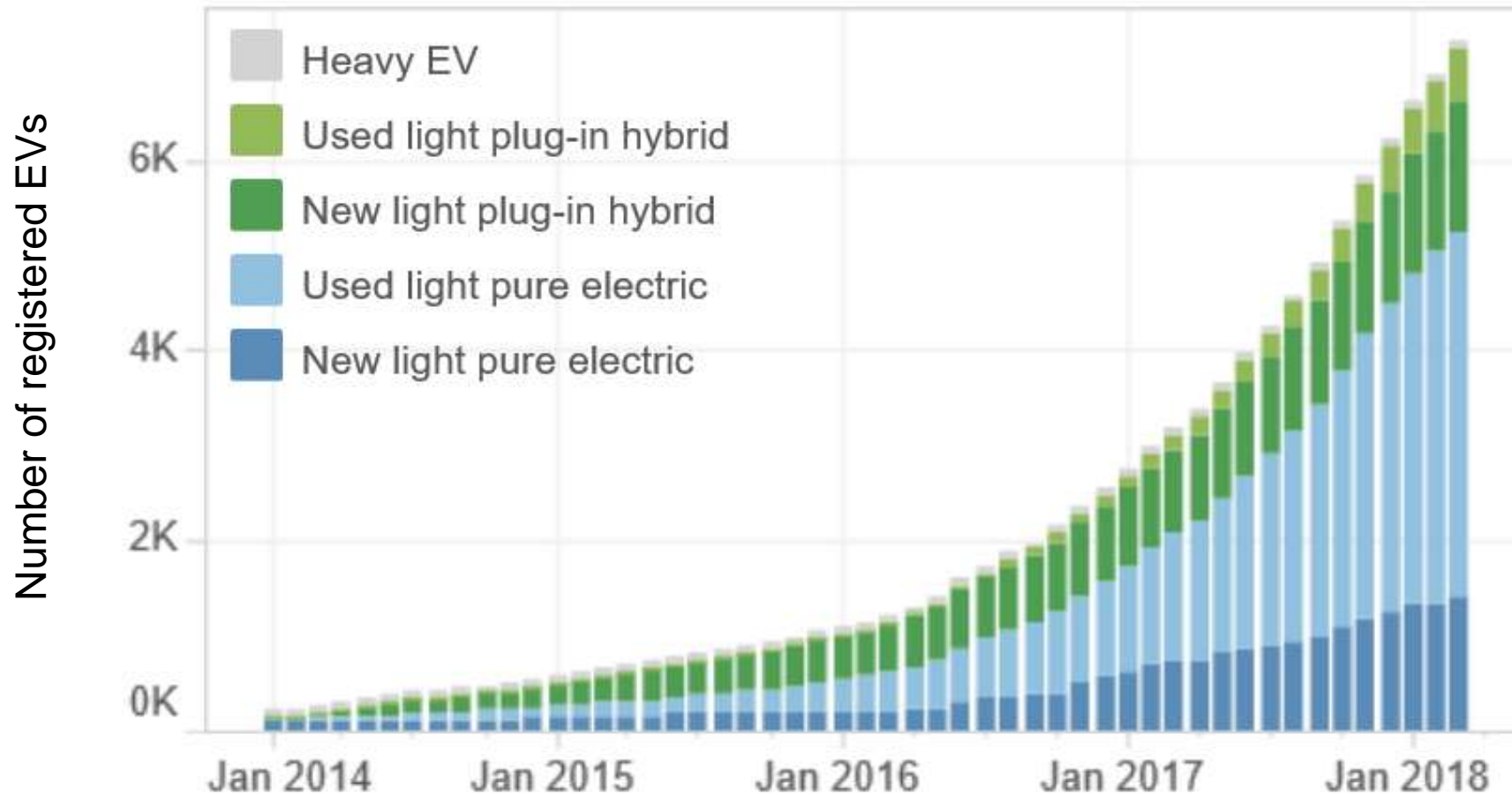


# The Government's EV Programme



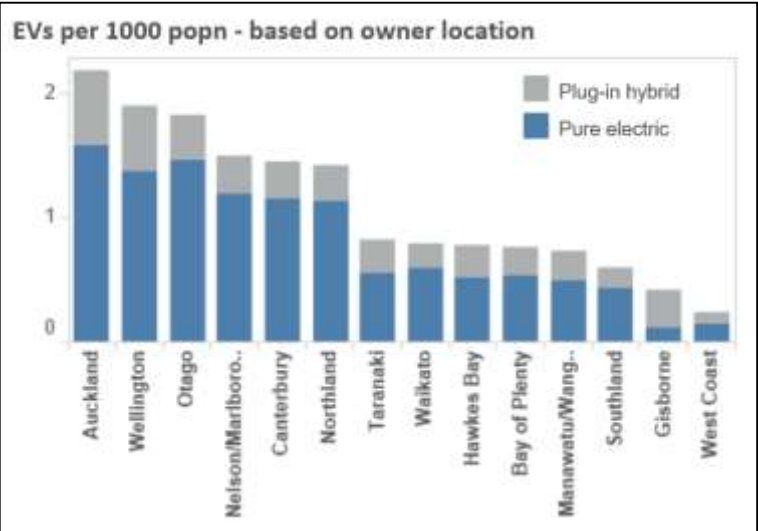
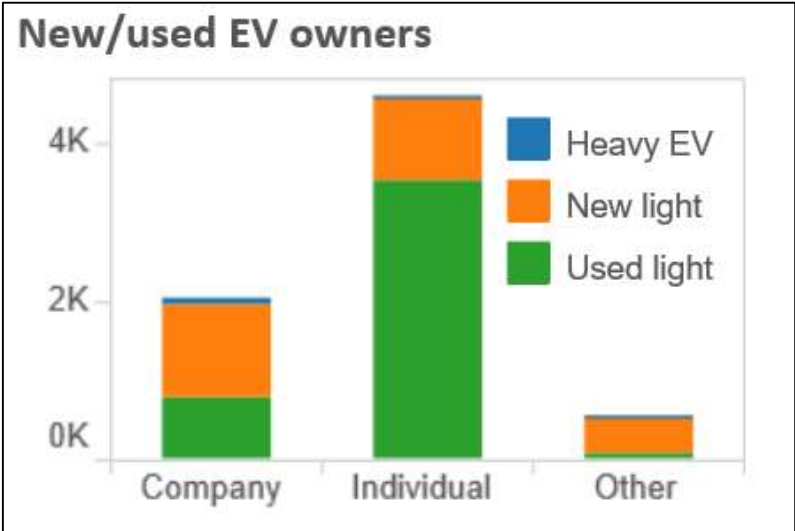
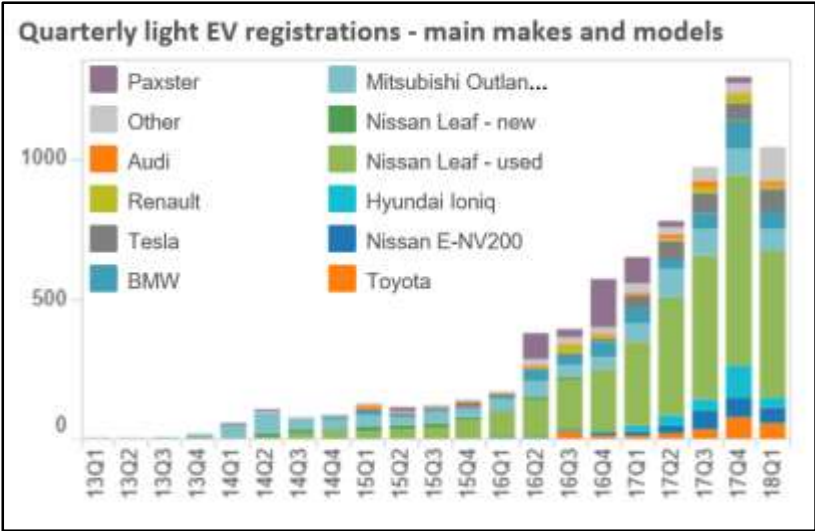
# EV uptake is more than doubling every year in NZ

EV fleet size



Source: <https://www.transport.govt.nz/resources/vehicle-fleet-statistics/monthly-electric-and-hybrid-light-vehicle-registrations/>

# Who is buying what and where?



Aucklanders buying 2<sup>nd</sup> hand import Nissan Leafs as private vehicles  
 2013 onwards (Gen2) Nissan Leafs come ready for Vehicle-to-Grid

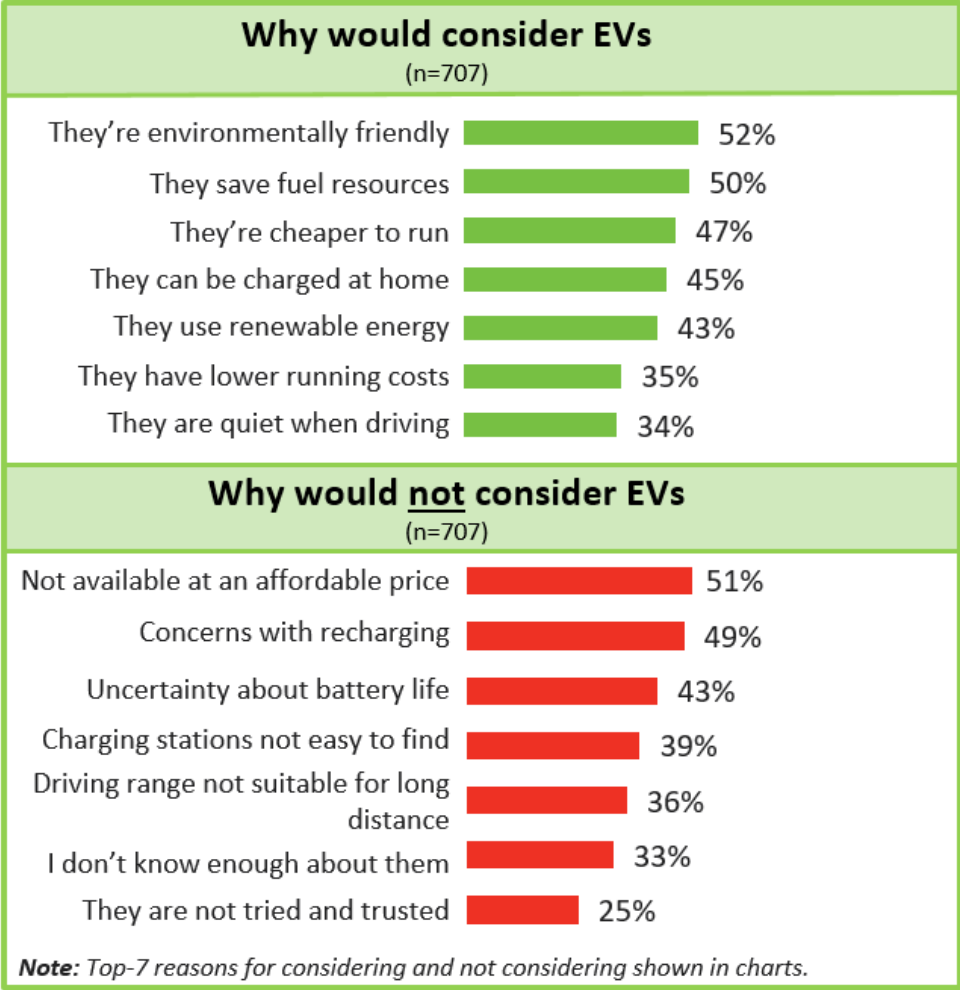
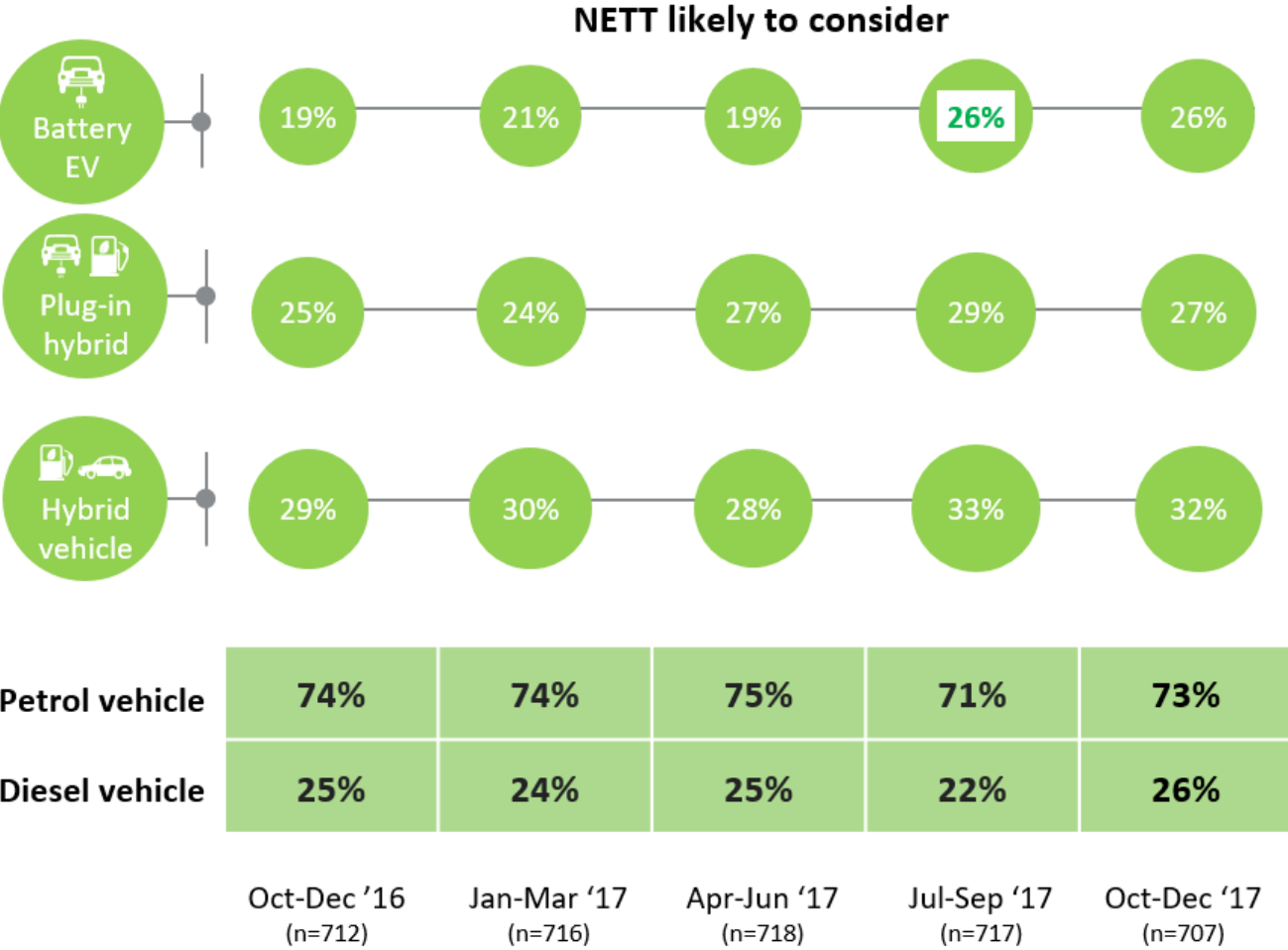
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# EV information campaign [www.electricvehicles.govt.nz](http://www.electricvehicles.govt.nz)



# Kiwis now as likely to consider an EV as a diesel vehicle



EV6 For each of the following statements, please select the answer that best describes how you feel about Electric Vehicles.

# Plug in at home or out and about



**It's easiest and cheapest to charge at home overnight** – 92% of EV owners in NZ prefer to charge at home\*

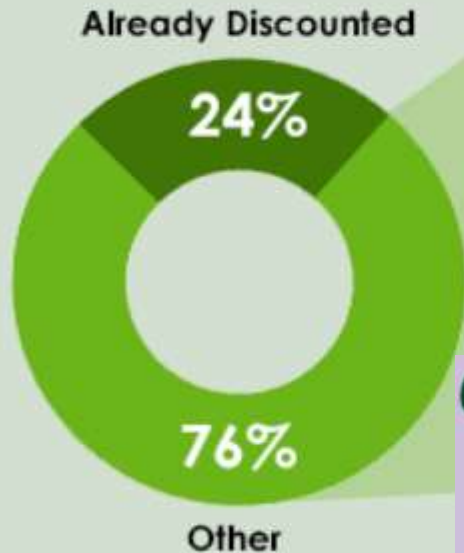
**Sometimes you may want to top up when you are out, or on a longer trip.** There's an ever increasing number of public charging stations around the country – to find one download an app



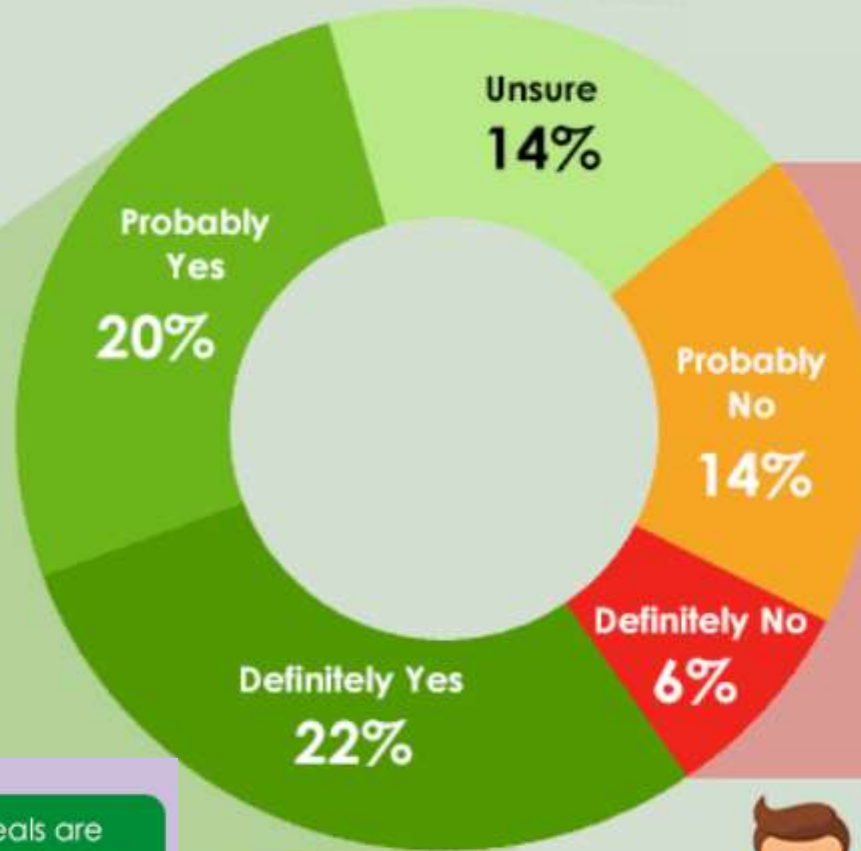
\* <http://flipthefleet.org/2017/media-release-electric-vehicle-owners-prefer-charging-home-filling-petrol-station/>

# Will NZ EV owners charge off-peak?

Likelihood to switch electricity supplier to one that offers night-time discounts for EV / PHEV owners



“Off-peak night deals are the best price, convenient time to charge and have high chance of being 100% renewable energy.”



Reasons behind reluctance toward switching to a night-time deal:



Other household demand makes alternative cheaper, doesn't suit home charging rhythm or solar generation



Investment in smart meter or timer equipment needed to schedule night charging



“My electric bill for my EV is peanuts. I have no need to chase a cheaper deal.”





By June, 80% of state highway network will meet NZTA's guideline of a fast charger every 75km



[www.electricvehicles.govt.nz](http://www.electricvehicles.govt.nz)

# Low Emission Vehicles Contestable Fund

Funding of up to \$6 million per year to co-fund innovative projects

Rounds 1, 2, 3 and 4 significantly oversubscribed

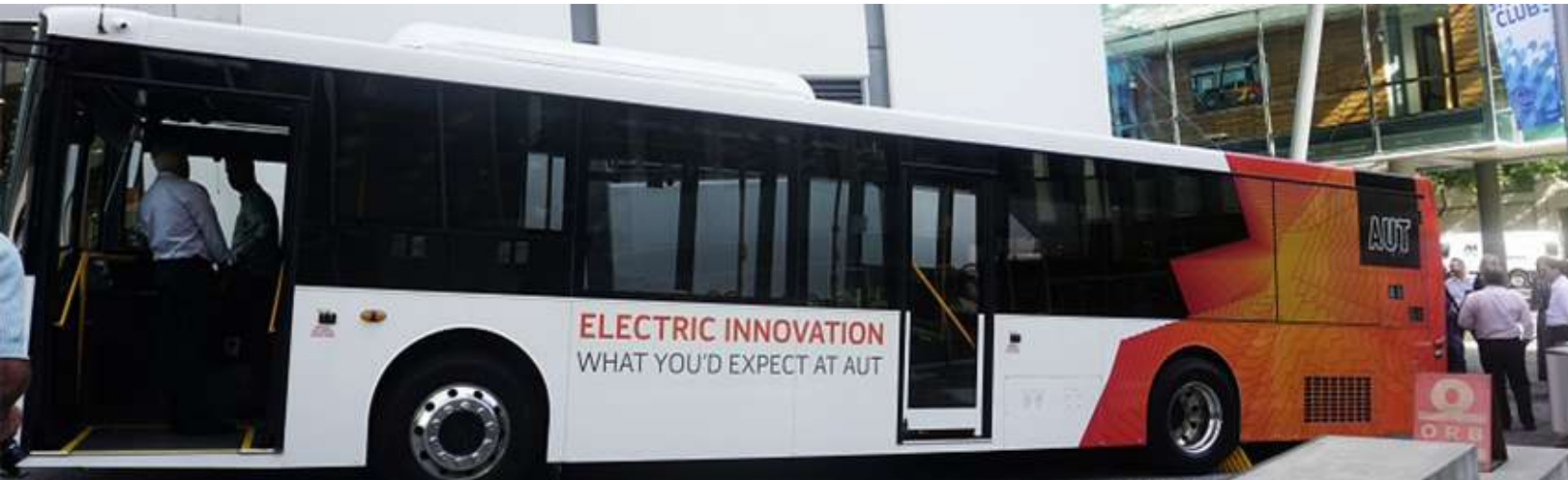
Round 5 expected to open Q3 2018

<https://www.eeca.govt.nz/funding-and-support/electric-vehicles-programme/>





# Low Emission Vehicles Contestable Fund



# Road User Charges

**Light vehicles:** Light EVs (eg cars and vans) are exempt from RUC until 2021

**Heavy vehicles:** From 1 September 2017 heavy EVs will be exempt from road user charges until they make up 2% of the heavy vehicle fleet.

Examples of what this is worth:

Vehicle	Definition	RUC rate (GST incl)	Example annual distance	Example RUC exemption saving
Urban delivery truck	Under 6 tonnes, dual rear wheels	\$66 / 1,000 km	30,000 km	\$1,980 / year
Regional freight truck	12 – 18 tonnes, 3 axle	\$292 / 1,000 km	75,000 km	\$21,900 / year



# Opportunities for EVs: public transport



Waterloo, London bus garage: 46 electric buses smart charged overnight

# E-buses now operating on City Link route in Auckland



# Opportunities for EVs: intra-regional freight

78% of freight movements (million tonnes all modes) are within regions\*



\* <http://www.transport.govt.nz/assets/Uploads/Research/Documents/National-Freight-Demand-Study-Mar-2014.pdf> Table 3



# What's coming next... electric ferries



Two large ferries, Tycho Brahe and Aurora, are operating completely on battery power between Helsingør (Denmark) and Helsingborg (Sweden), a distance of approximately 4 km carrying more than 7.4 million passengers and 1.9 million vehicles annually

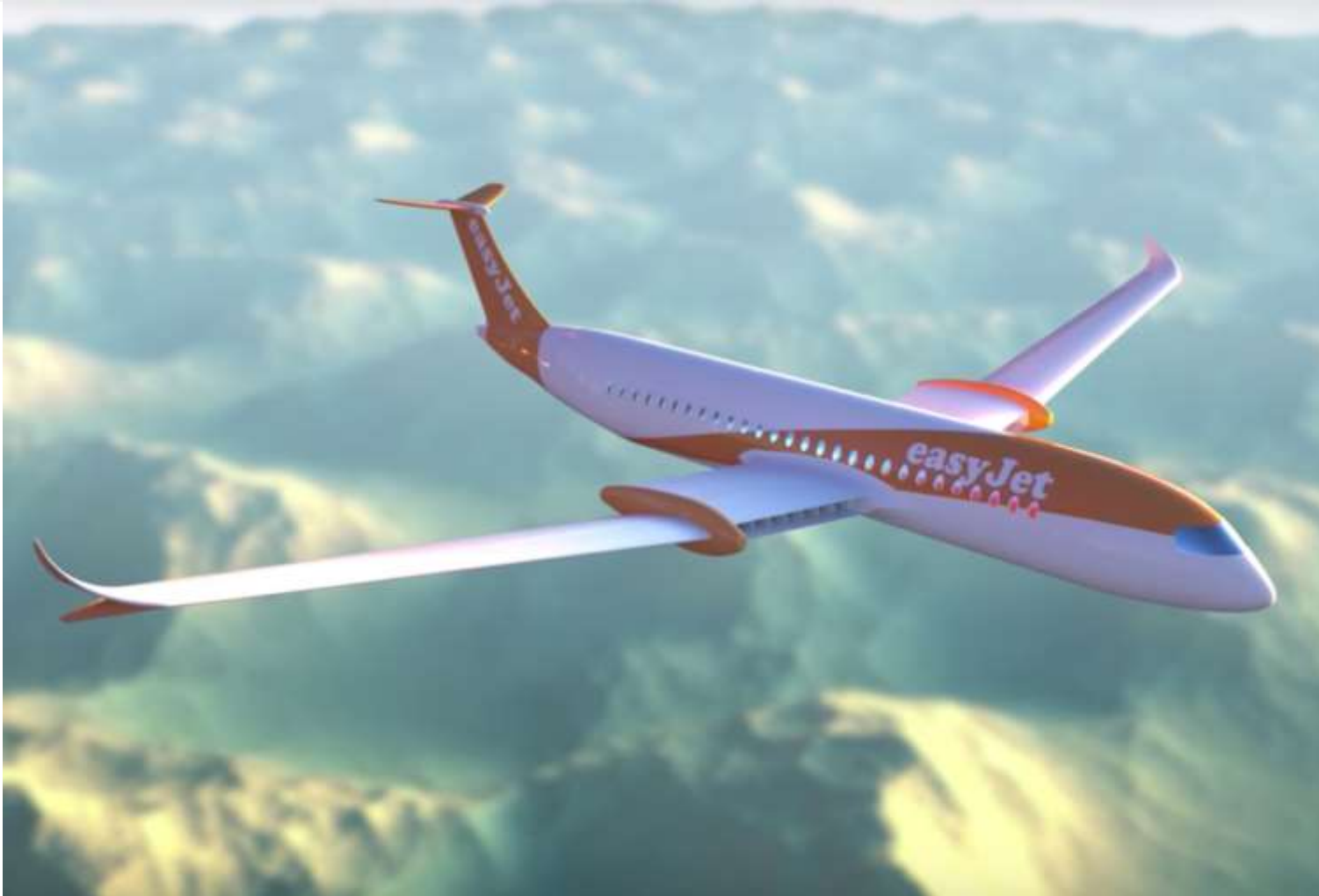


# 100% electric and autonomous cargo ship



Construction underway in Norway with manned operation scheduled from this year and autonomous operation in 2020

# Short range electric passenger aircraft



Avinor, Norway's airports operator, has a target for the first commercial flight in 2025 and all domestic aviation electric by 2040

# What you can do now

1. Test drive an EV if you haven't driven one yet
2. Try out an EV through car share companies like Mevo in Wellington and Yoogo in Christchurch, CityHop in Auckland, or from rental car companies like Europcar, Hertz Auckland, Blue Cars and Snap Rentals
3. Find out more about EVs for your household or company by visiting [www.electricvehicles.govt.nz](http://www.electricvehicles.govt.nz)
4. Consider developing an innovative EV project for application to the Low Emission Vehicles Contestable Fund  
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