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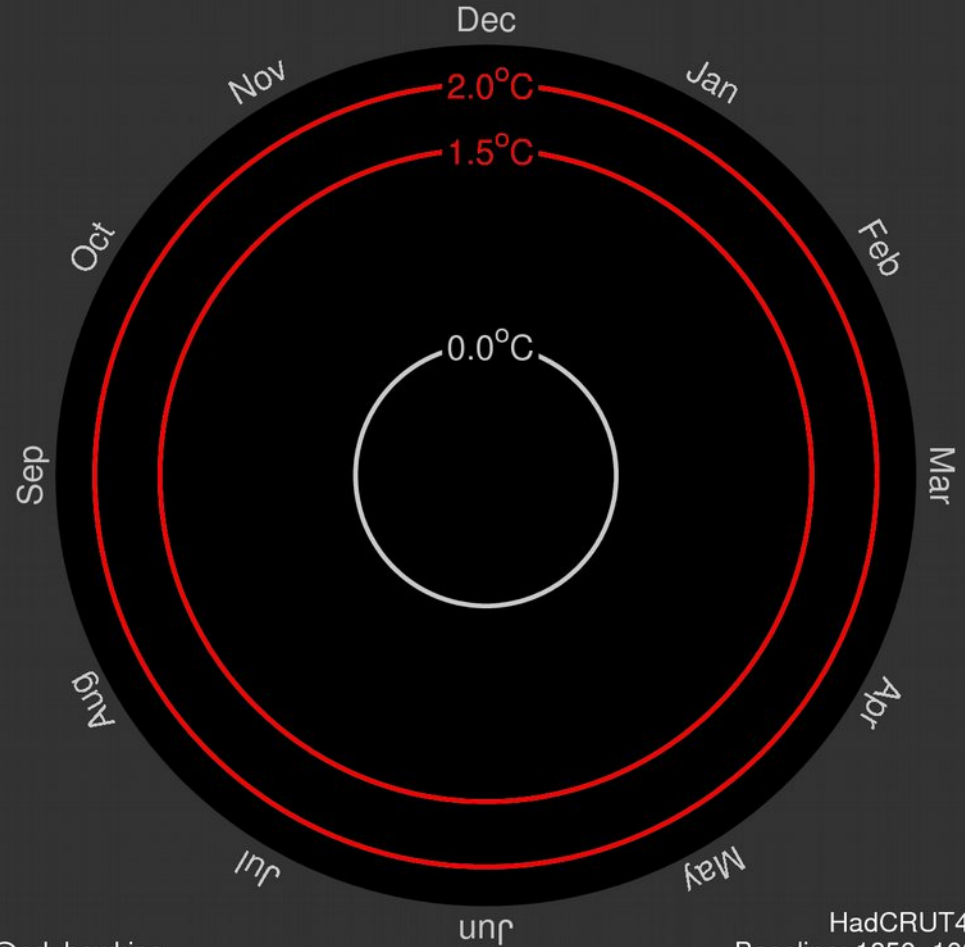
# A holistic approach to the multiple crisis



# Global Temperature Change

Pathway to 3.4c to 7c

Global temperature change (1850–2017)



# Climate Impacts at 1c warmer

## The violence of climate change – Today not Tomorrow

Amazon burning, Arctic ice melting, Coral reef bleaching  
Killer floods, droughts and famines. Super charged hurricanes and cyclones.

- Pakistan 53.5c heatwave
- Indian city of Chennai out of water
- 1 million on brink of starvation in Mozambique
- Caribbean islands – Bahamas, Dominica, Puerto Rico in ruins
- Indigenous peoples under threat in Latin America.
- Millions losing their lives, homes and livelihoods

# Climate impacts at 1.5c warm

**“This is the largest clarion bell from the science community and I hope it mobilises people and dents the mood of complacency” Chair of IPCC Report on 1.5c warming (2018)**

- Increased risk of droughts, floods, extreme heat and poverty
- Prevent complete eradication of coral reefs
- Food and water scarcity
- Economic impacts of climate change- less income
- Health
- Conflict

# UN Special Rapporteur on **extreme poverty and human rights**

**Climate change ‘threatens to undo the last 50 years of development, global health and poverty reduction’.**

‘We risk a climate apartheid where the wealthy pay to escape overheating, hunger and conflict while the rest of the world is left to suffer’

**‘Maintaining the current course is a recipe for economic catastrophe’**

Philip Alston, UN Special Rapporteur

# Decade Zero

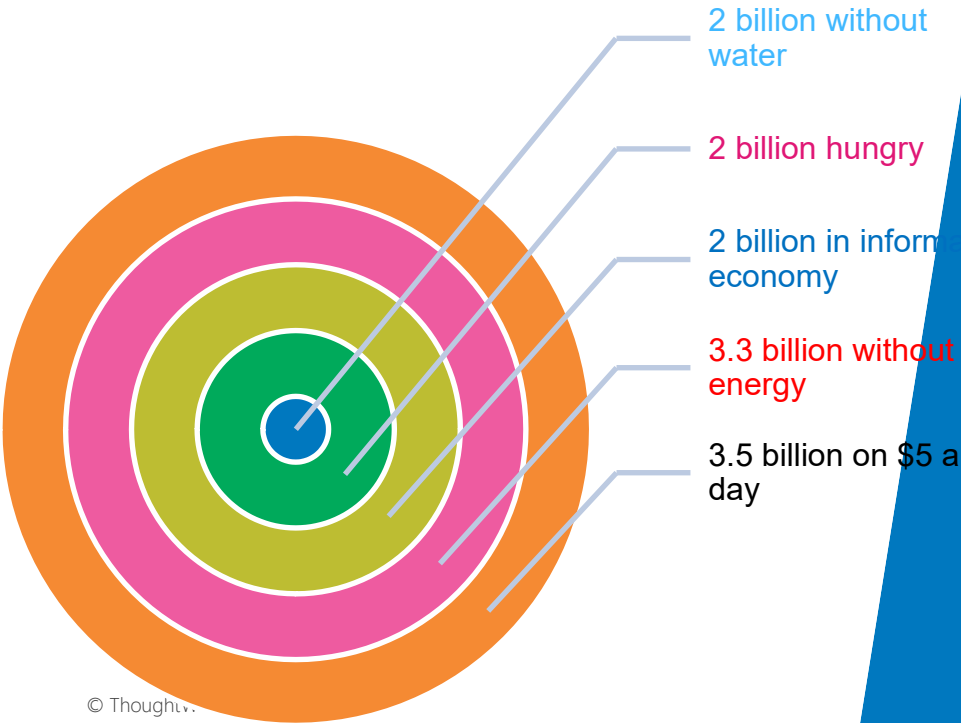
IPCC calls for total decarbonisation by 2050: Rich countries by 2030

- IPCC estimates 360 Gtonnes of carbon pollution for 1.5c
- Banking on unproven NET technologies
- Current carbon = 8.5 years
- Probability of 50/50 chance of breaching 1.5c
- Situating on frontline of global South = 5 years



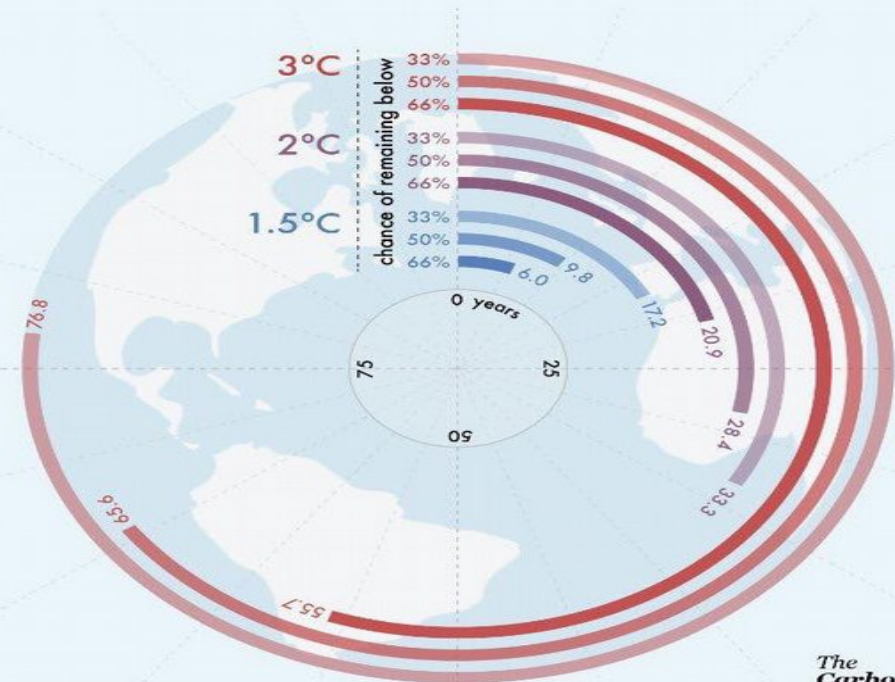
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# Sacrificing the global South



## Carbon Countdown

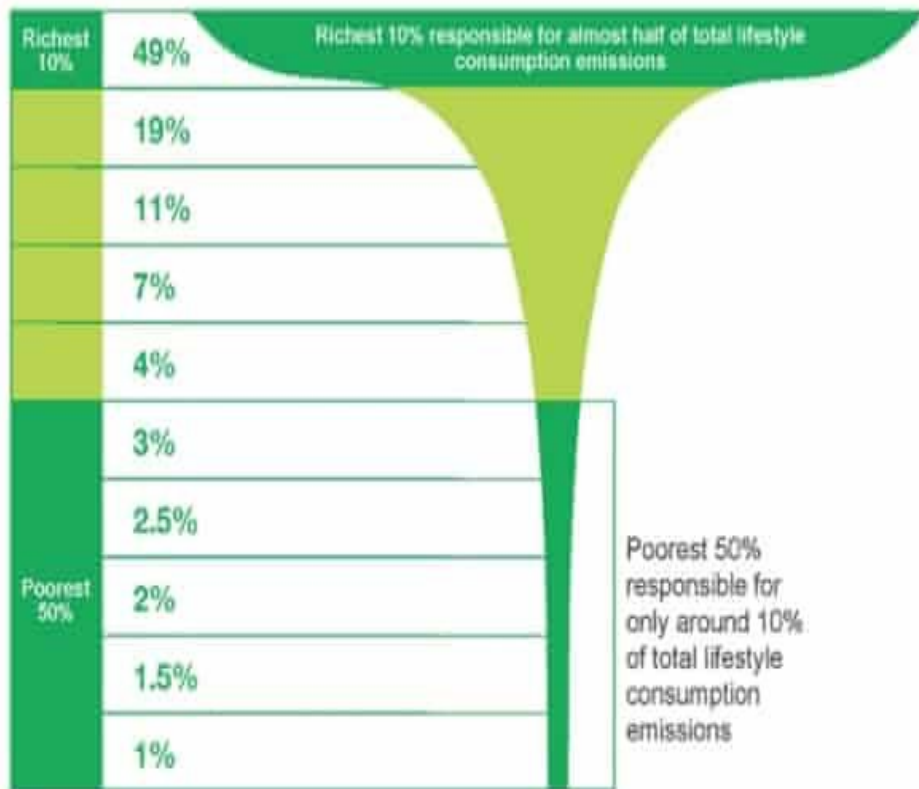
How many years of current emissions would use up the IPCC's carbon budgets for different levels of warming?



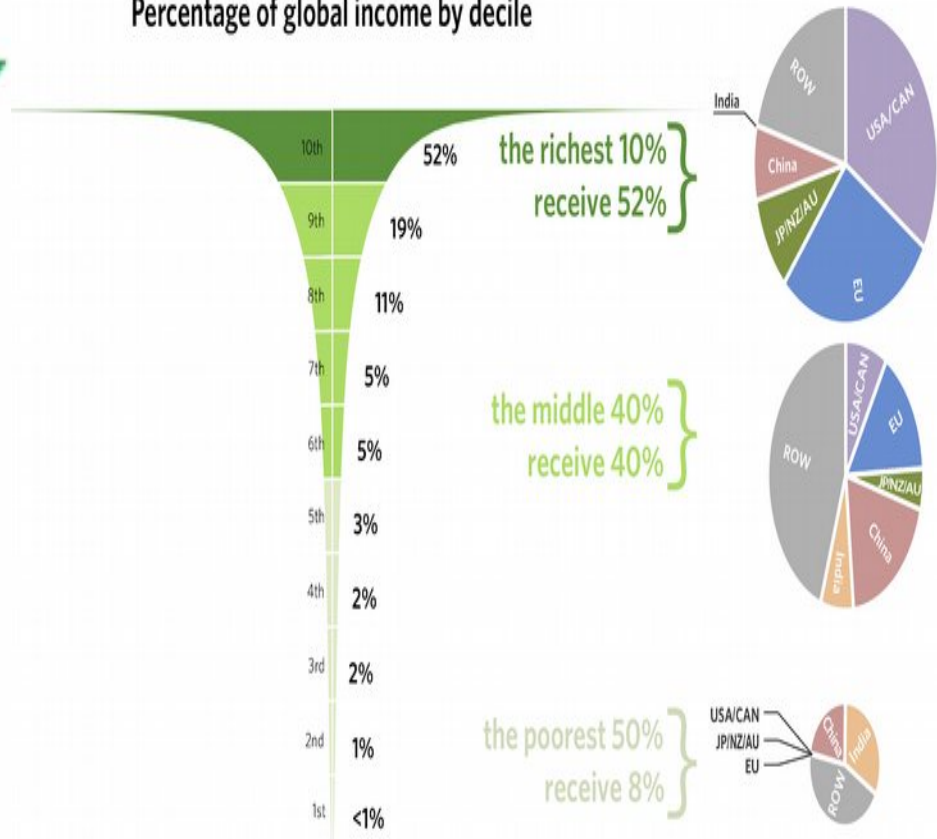


# Climate and Economic Inequality

Percentage of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions by world population



Percentage of global income by decile



# The UK's footprint:

From slavery, colonialism, neoliberalism and climate change

**5<sup>th</sup> richest  
economy**

**5<sup>th</sup> biggest  
historical  
polluter**

**5<sup>th</sup> highest  
consumption  
of resources**

**2<sup>nd</sup> biggest  
financial  
centre**



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# Everyone has the right to a dignified life:

## A Global Deal for People

**Right to  
Food, Energy,  
Water**

**A Global  
Living Wage**

**Universal  
Public  
Services**

**Fair share of  
global effort**



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**There is no such thing as  
a single-issue struggle  
because we do not live  
single-issue lives.**

**Audre Lorde**

# Thank you

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