

Consumption based emissions and city responses to climate change

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UK Emissions - Territorial





UK emissions – Territorial and Consumption





Source: Barrett et al (2013)

Drivers of change of the indirect energy used by the UK





Source: University of Leeds







Source: Sakai et al (2012)



Consumption emissions in a city





Minx et al 2013

Figure 2. Per capita CF of 434 municipalities in the UK. Inset shows London and municipalities that border within 50 km radius from centre. There is no clear pattern in terms of the geographic positioning of high and low CF municipalities. Only around London is a ring of municipalities with a high CF, while municipalities within Greater London tend to have a below average CF.



The need for additional policy







Where would you start with additional policy?







Emissions and social distribution





Source: Updated results documented in Feng et al, 2011



Policy Responses and carbon leakage





Source: The Guardian



Additional policy options



Mitigation Options

Consumption-based responses offer greater reductions in GHG emissions than production-based responses



Barrett and Scott(2012)

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Additional Policy Options



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