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Geography

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Paper 2 – resource booklet

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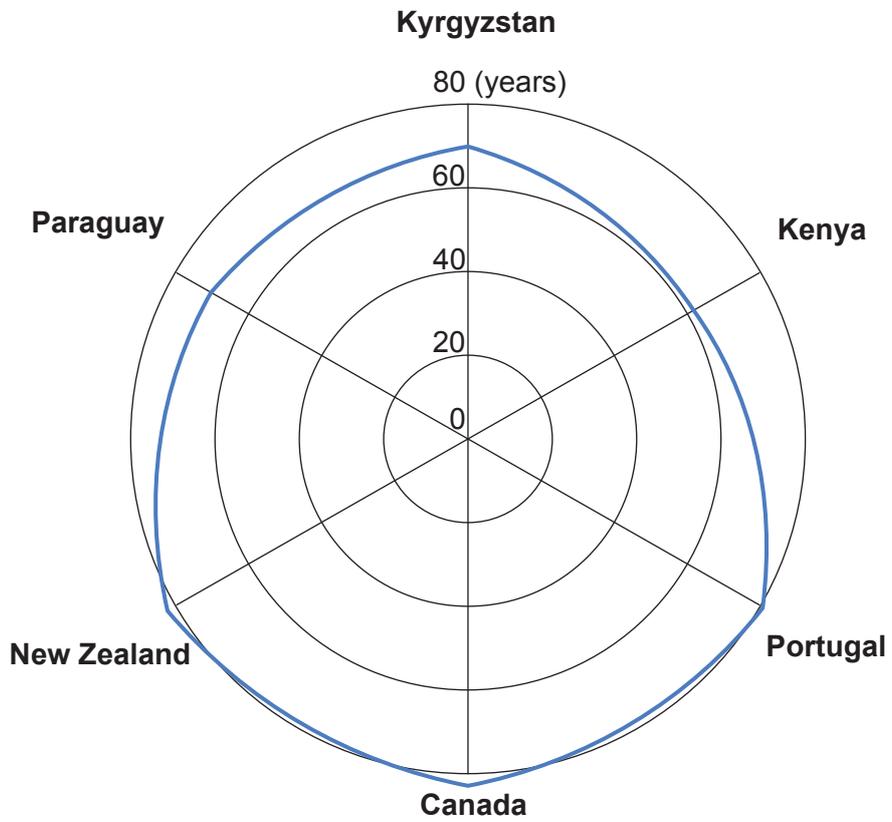
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1. **Changing population**

The chart shows the average life expectancy, in years, for six countries in 2021.



- 4. The infographic shows issues relevant to climate change and some possible mitigation strategies.

CLIMATE CHANGE

Estimated growth in carbon offsets by volume, 2010-2021

Volume (millions of tonnes of CO₂ equivalent)

Year	Volume (millions of tonnes of CO ₂ equivalent)
2010	120
2011	100
2012	100
2013	80
2014	90
2015	100
2016	70
2017	100
2018	110
2019	120
2020	200
2021	300

Equivalent to 0.8% of global greenhouse gas emissions

Key: — Carbon offsetting

The principle of carbon offsetting

Carbon emissions

Carbon offsetting

A newly planted tree can take as many as 20 years to capture the amount of CO₂ that a carbon-offset scheme promises. We would have to plant many trees for decades to offset even a small percentage of global emissions.

Global Electric Car Sales Doubled in 2021

Global registrations of electric vehicles (incl. plug-in hybrids), by region*

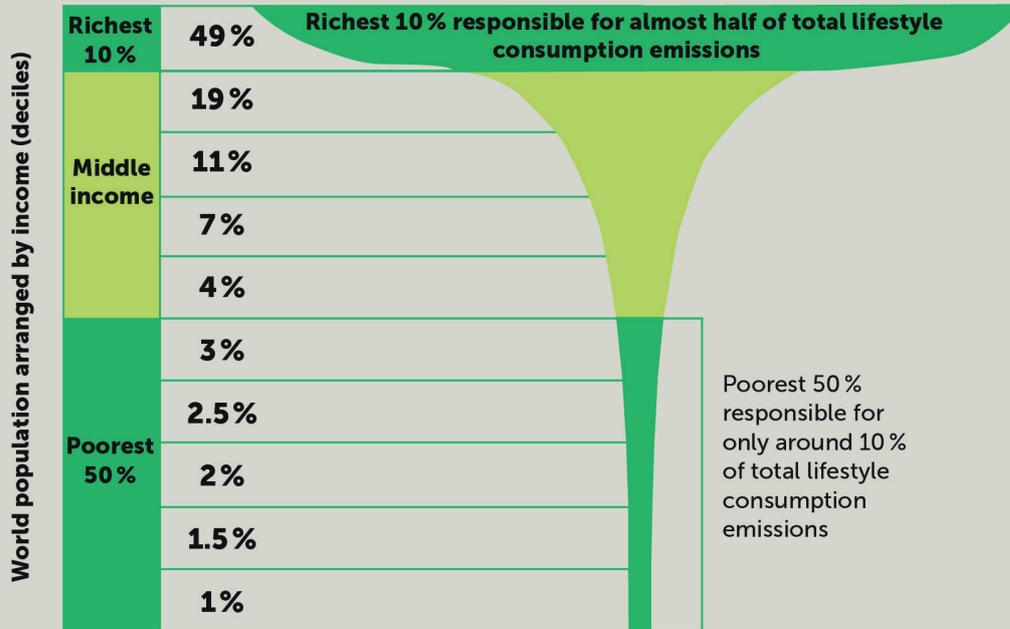
Year	China	Europe	United States	Others	Total
2012	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.4
2013	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.8
2014	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	1.2
2015	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	1.6
2016	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	2.0
2017	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	2.8
2018	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	4.0
2019	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	5.0
2020	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	6.0
2021	3.5	2.5	0.5	0.1	6.6

* incl. passenger cars and light commercial vehicles (vans, light trucks)
Source: EV-volumes.com via IEA

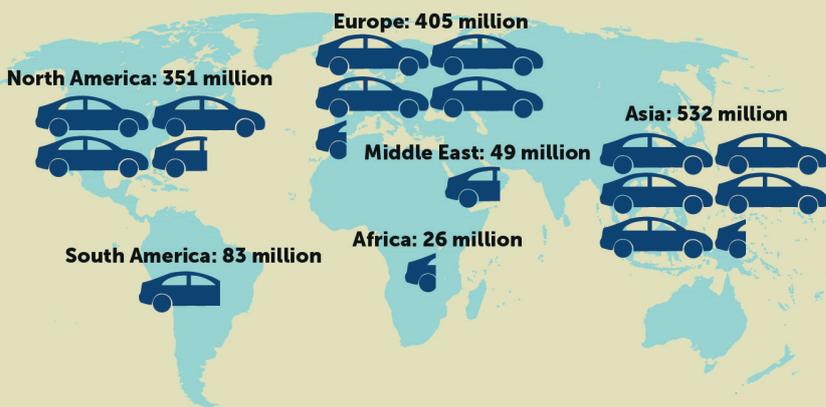
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CAUSES AND MITIGATION

Lifestyle consumption CO₂ emissions

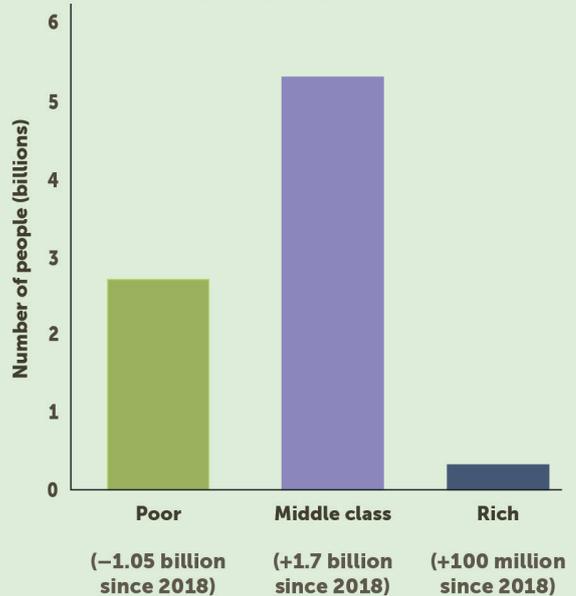


How many cars were there in the world in 2022?



Key: = 100 million cars

Projected change in wealth groups by 2030



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