

CO2 Removal & Gases: CCS Capture Rate

This lever controls the sub-levers listed in the table, and ambition levels are for the end year shown on the right-hand side.

The capture rate of a CCS process determines what proportion of the total CO2 emissions can be captured. A capture rate of 100% means that all of the carbon emitted by a process fitted with CCS is captured.

Applying CCS to a process can reduce its efficiency as the process of capturing and storing carbon requires energy. In the Calculator, higher capture rates may result in a greater loss of efficiency.

Key Interaction

This lever controls the proportion of CO2 captured by CCS processes. The level of CCS deployment is controlled by the levers for Industry CCS, Bio-Conversion with CCS, Hydrogen (Biomass or Methane) CCS and electricity from Biomass CCS. If no CCS is deployed, then the CCS capture rate has no effect.

Level 1

For most applications a capture rate of up to 85% is the minimum expected¹. Industry CCS capture rates are those achievable for key industrial processes within the sector.

Level 2

For most applications a capture rate of 90% is achieved.

Level 3

For most applications, a capture rate of 95% is achieved.

Level 4

All emissions are captured by CCS processes.

¹https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/566803/Leigh_Fisher_Non-renewable_Generation_Cost.pdf

Default Timing Start year: 2025, End year: 2035

Share of CO2 captured by CCS

Sub-Lever	Units	2015	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4
Metal Production	share	70%	70%	80%	90%	100%
Cement, ceramics, glass	share	80%	80%	85%	90%	100%
Chemicals	share	65%	65%	80%	90%	100%
Other Industry	share	70%	70%	80%	90%	100%
Refineries	share	65%	65%	80%	90%	100%
Biomass Gasification	share	85%	85%	90%	95%	100%
Bio liquid Production	share	85%	85%	90%	95%	100%
Energy from Waste	share	85%	85%	90%	95%	100%
Hydrogen from Biomass	share	85%	85%	90%	95%	100%
Hydrogen from gas (SMR)	share	85%	85%	90%	95%	100%
Electricity from Biomass	share	85%	85%	90%	95%	100%
Electricity from Gas	share	85%	85%	90%	95%	100%

