

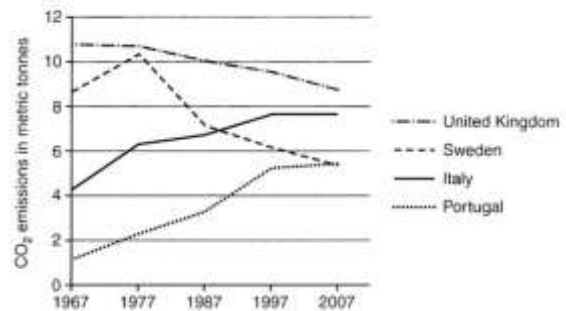
LINE GRAPHS

STRUCTURE

The graph shows average carbon dioxide (CO₂) emissions per person in the United Kingdom, Sweden, Italy and Portugal between 1967 and 2007.

Summarise the information by selecting and reporting the main features, and make comparisons where relevant.

Average carbon dioxide (CO₂) emissions per person, 1967–2007



Introduction 1a

- 1.) **Paraphrase the question in your own words / not the same words as the question.**

Keep the same meaning but in your own words

ORIGINAL QUESTION

The graph below **shows** average carbon dioxide (CO₂) emissions, measured in metric tonnes, **per person** in the United Kingdom, Sweden, Italy and Portugal **between 1967 and 2007**.

PARAPHRASED QUESTION / REWORD / IN YOUR OWN WORDS - BUT SAME MEANING

The graph **illustrates** the average output of carbon dioxide in metric tonnes for each **individual** in **four European countries** over **a forty year period**.

Introduction 1b

- 2.) **Give an overview of the graph(s) / Give a very general brief summary.**

Do not give any specific numbers, statistics or dates.

Pick two main trends and summarize them.

Overall, the UK and Sweden which initially showed a high CO₂ output, **saw a decline in** emissions toward the end of the period. **In comparison**, Italy and Portugal which started with relatively low emissions, **saw considerable increases** by the end of the period.

- 3.) **BODY PARAGRAPHS 1 and 2.**

Give details, numbers and the exact statistics and dates. ALWAYS COMPARE where possible.

Be selective. Don't write about everything in the graph.

Group information and COMPARE where possible. **Take 2 main trends and talk about each 1 in a separate body paragraph.**

In 1967, the highest proportion of carbon emissions was attributed to the UK at around 11 metric tonnes per person, however, this figure declined steadily ending at approximately 9 metric tonnes for each individual by 2007. Swedens output started at just over 8 metric tonnes, rising to a peak of slightly more than 10 tonnes in 1977, it then saw a sharp decline to approximately half of that by 2007. (BODY PAR 1 - decreasing trends)

Conversely, Portugal in 1967 had the lowest output at just over 1 tonne per person. Over the next four decades this increased sharply, ending at over 5 metric tonnes. Italy demonstrated a similar pattern, beginning at a little over 4 metric tonnes and ending at nearly 8 tonnes of carbon dioxide for each person by 2007. (BODY PAR 2 - increasing trends)

- 4.) **Don't give or make a conclusion**

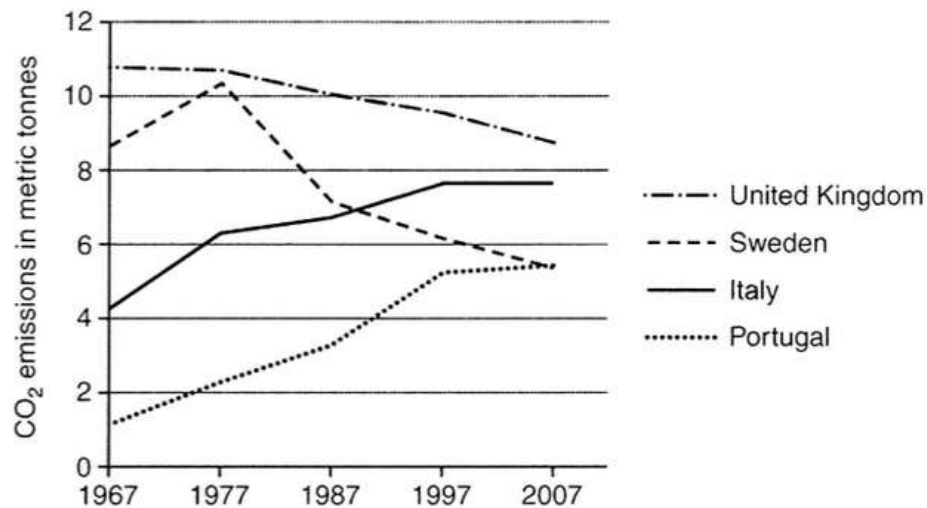
NEVER include your opinion. **Don't assume/ Don't express thoughts** - avoid words like obviously, unfortunately

Talk only about factual information.

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SAMPLE ANSWER

The graph illustrates the average output of carbon dioxide in metric tonnes for each individual in four European countries **over a forty year period**. **Overall**, the UK and Sweden which initially showed a high CO₂ output, **saw a decline in** emissions toward the end of the period. **In comparison**, Italy and Portugal **which started with relatively low** emissions, **saw considerable increases** by the end of the period.

In 1967, **the highest proportion of** carbon emissions was attributed to the UK at around 11 metric tonnes per person, however, **this figure declined steadily ending at** approximately 9 metric tonnes for each individual by 2007. Swedens output started at just over 8 metric tonnes, **rising to a peak of slightly more than** 10 tonnes in 1977, it then **saw a sharp decline to** approximately half of that by 2007.

Conversely, Portugal in 1967 had the lowest output at just over 1 tonne per person. Over the next four decades **this increased sharply, ending at over** 5 metric tonnes. **Italy demonstrated a similar pattern**, beginning at a little over 4 metric tonnes and ending at nearly 8 tonnes of carbon dioxide for each person by 2007.

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