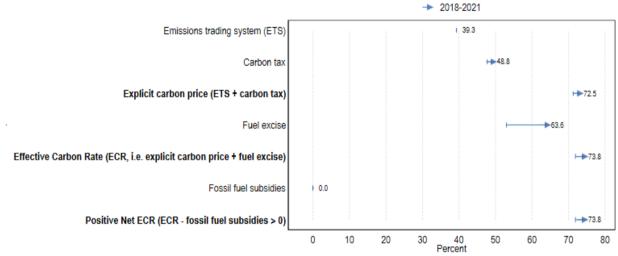
# **Carbon pricing in Portugal**

### Share of greenhouse gas emissions subject to a positive price by instrument, 2018-2021

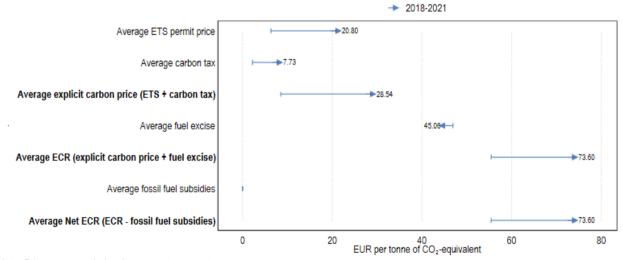
In 2021, explicit carbon prices in Portugal consist of emissions trading system (ETS) permit prices and carbon taxes, which cover 72.5% of greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions in  $CO_2e$ . In total, 73.8% of GHG emissions in Portugal are subject to a positive Net Effective Carbon Rate (ECR) in 2021, up from 71.9% in 2018. Fuel excise taxes, an implicit form of carbon pricing, cover 63.6% of emissions in 2021, up from 53% in 2018.



Note: Percentages are rounded to the first decimal place.

### Average effective carbon prices by instrument, real 2021 EUR, 2018-2021

Explicit carbon prices have increased to an average of EUR 28.54 per tonne of  $CO_2e$ , up by EUR 20.02 (235%) since 2018. In 2021, fuel excise taxes amounted to EUR 45.06 on average, down by EUR 1.88 (4%) relative to 2018.



Note: Prices are rounded to the nearest eurocent.

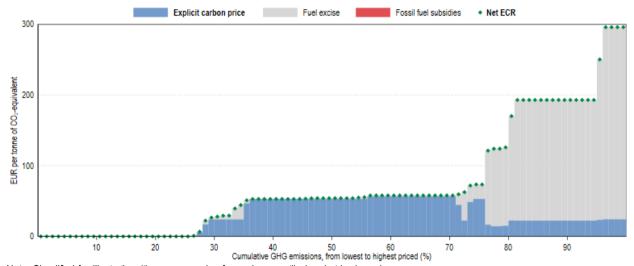
## Percentage change in the average Net ECR by reference price, 2018-2021

The change in carbon prices in Portugal was affected by inflation. The average Net ECR on GHG emissions has increased by 32.7% since 2018 when measured in real 2021 euros. In nominal euros, devalued by inflation, the average Net ECR has increased by 34.8% since 2018.



### Distribution of effective carbon prices across GHG emissions, 2021

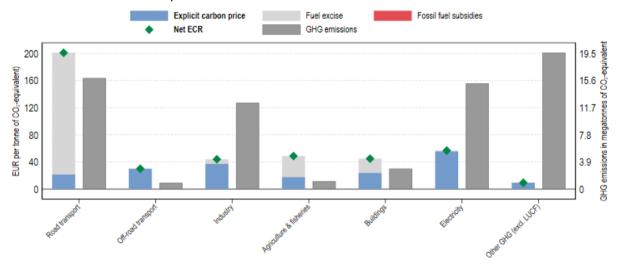
Less than 28.4% of GHG emissions have a Net ECR above EUR 60 per tonne of CO  $_2$ e, a mid-range estimate of current carbon costs.



Note: Simplified for illustration (the average price for each percentile bracket is shown).

### Average effective carbon prices (left axis) and GHG emissions (right axis) by sector, 2021

Net effective carbon rates are highest in the road transport sector, which accounts for 23.4% of the country's total GHG emissions. The Net ECR is positive in all sectors.



#### Want to know more?

- Access the report Pricing Greenhouse Gas Emissions (OECD 2022): <a href="https://oe.cd/pricing-greenhouse-gas-emissions">https://oe.cd/pricing-greenhouse-gas-emissions</a>.
- Which domestic policy instruments are included as carbon pricing instruments? View the background information: www.oecd.org/tax/tax-policy/carbon-pricing-background-notes.pdf
- Access the data shown in the country notes: <a href="https://stats.oecd.org/Index.aspx?DataSetCode=ECRS">https://stats.oecd.org/Index.aspx?DataSetCode=ECRS</a>

