

Climate Change



The Issue

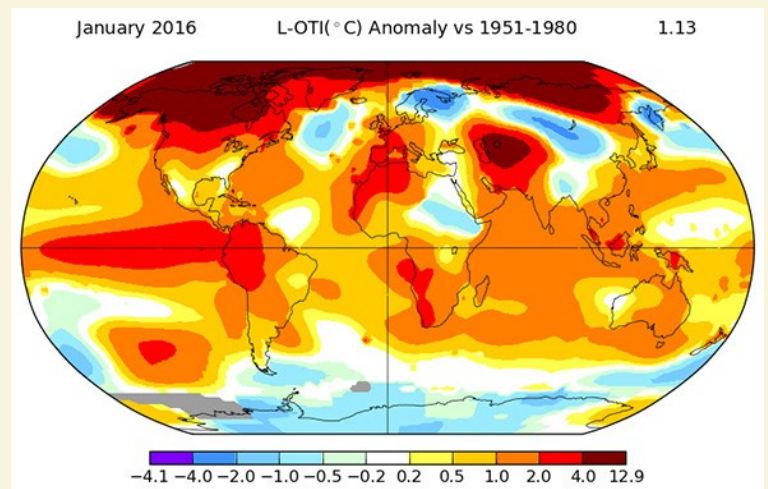
The planet's temperature is heating rapidly and 2016 was the warmest year on record. Glaciers and Arctic sea ice are disappearing and sea levels are rising. In 2015, countries around the world committed to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and maintain global temperatures below a 2 degree increase from before industrialization, or the late 1800s.

The warning signs are obvious. In Manitoba, we have experienced costly floods, and dry summers have meant drought and forest fires are more common. Winter roads have become unpredictable, leaving many rural and Indigenous communities isolated. Most worrisome, global food supplies will suffer if temperatures continue to rise, putting hundreds of millions of people at risk around the world.

The Province's Role

Manitoba's greenhouse gas emissions continue to rise, increasing 19% since 1990. Manitoba currently has no official target for greenhouse gas reductions, but meeting our international obligations would require at least a 35% reduction by 2030 with a path towards becoming carbon neutral by mid century.

Large decreases in emissions from key sectors like transportation, agriculture and residential heating are needed to reach this target. Each party needs to put forward a plan for reducing Manitoba's greenhouse gases.



How much hotter the world has become in the last half century?

Questions to Ask

- Do you support putting a price on carbon emissions to keep the global temperature rise below 1.5° Celsius?
- What are your plans for reducing emissions from each of the most important greenhouse gas sources: transportation, agriculture, and industry? For example: How will your party support better public transit?
- How will you help Manitobans access more renewable energy sources?