# Monash/C2Zero Real Carbon Price Index

#### Fact sheet | 31 January 2023

The Monash/C2Zero Real Carbon Price Index (RCPI) provides a weighted composite measure of the physical price of carbon<sup>1</sup> across all jurisdictions, based on mandated carbon prices set by regulators and governments.

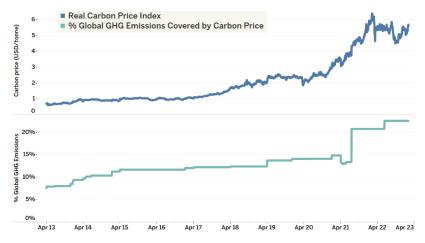
The RCPI covers national, subnational and regional jurisdictions implementing a carbon tax or carbon emissions trading schemes (ETS) <sup>2</sup>and jurisdictions with no mandatory carbon price – the latter being counted in the index using a price of zero.

The RCPI enables an overall global carbon price and price history to be determined, reflecting the global value of carbon.

The RCPI started in April 2013, covering 20 jurisdictions, accounting for 7.88% of global GHG emissions. As of June 2022, it covered 58 jurisdictions, accounting for 22.5% of global GHG emissions.

#### Historical Index Value

(April 2013- January 2023)



## Highlights

- In January 2023, the global carbon price rebounded from the previous loss last December by 7.59%.
- EU ETS posted a sharp increase in the second half of January and hit its five-month high (\$97.6/tonne) at the month-end, triggered by a short covering.
- China National ETS experienced a gain of 4.02% due to upward movements before the Lunar New Year.
- In contrast to the top two largest jurisdictions, the Korea ETS plunged by 4.98% amid a glut of allowances and sluggish economic performance.

#### **Index Price Change**

		Annualised Percentage Change					
	I Mo	3Mo	YTD	IYr	3Yr	5Yr	Since April 2013
RCPI	7.59%	13.24%	7.59%	-5.85%	34.37%	31.20%	23.85%

#### **Calendar Month Price Change**

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD
2023	7.59%												7.59%
2022	8.17%	-5.68%	-5.47%	0.83%	1.67%	3.11%	-7.39%	-0.60%	-12.26%	9.22%	6.07%	-0.77%	-5.35%
2021	7.98%	5.89%	5.81%	-3.83%	12.40%	1.32%	13.96%	6.23%	1.86%	-3.49%	13.75%	6.54%	91.13%
2020	-3.79%	-0.88%	-13.53%	7.80%	2.81%	1 2.80%	-0.63%	5.96%	-4.31%	-5.50%	13.19%	7.93%	19.90%
2019	-6.01%	-0.65%	-1.28%	19.03%	-3.77%	5.68%	0.85%	-4.05%	-2.88%	4.42%	-0.07%	2.06%	11.68%
2018	8.86%	0.92%	12.05%	2.56%	3.34%	-0.35%	5.23%	8.28%	0.58%	-12.65%	11.57%	11.79%	62.34%
2017	5.37%	-0.19%	-5.59%	8.03%	3.46%	0.87%	3.96%	3.46%	3.22%	1.24%	3.63%	0.59%	31.15%
2016	-9.18%	-2.47%	6.59%	8.92%	-3.68%	-8.19%	0.51%	2.04%	4.06%	2.22%	-8.24%	8.34%	-1.37%
2015	2.32%	-0.69%	-3.01%	17.46%	-3.73%	0.59%	-0.62%	2.89%	0.09%	2.15%	-2.59%	0.53%	14.75%
2014	3.12%	12.59%	-14.57%	13.82%	-3.57%	6.40%	-0.73%	-2.04%	-6.51%	-0.14%	2.21%	-0.43%	7.03%
2013				-10.03%	5.22%	2.33%	3.26%	1.41%	5.69%	-1.13%	-0.72%	15.83%	16.01%3

As of 31 January 2023

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> It refers to carbon dioxide equivalents or CO2e.

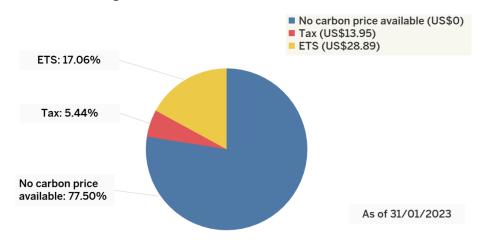
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> As of June 2022, 68 national, subnational and regional jurisdictions had implemented a carbon tax or carbon ETS. The RCPI covers 58 of those jurisdictions. The other 10 jurisdictions are excluded due to the lack of available data.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The return is calculated as the annualised price change from April 2013 to December 2013.

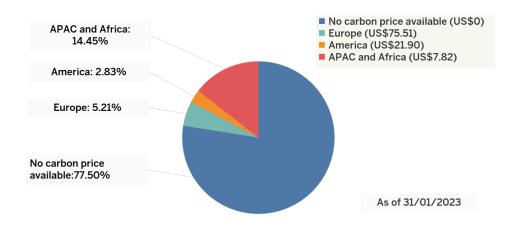
**Top 10 Constituents** 

	Jurisdiction	Instrument	% Global GHG Emissions	Price (US\$/tonne) (31/01/2023)	Percentage change (1 Mo)
1	China National ETS	ETS	8.79%	8.29	4.02%
2	EU ETS	ETS	3.18%	97.60	12.90%
3	Japan carbon tax	Tax	1.82%	2.22	0.91%
4	Korea ETS	ETS	1.08%	12.01	-4.98%
5	South Africa carbon tax	Tax	0.90%	8.27	-2.13%
6	Mexico carbon tax	Tax	0.69%	3.93	3.69%
7	Germany ETS	ETS	0.68%	32.59	1.46%
8	California CaT	ETS	0.60%	28.19	0.71%
9	China-Guangdong pilot ETS	ETS	0.51%	10.98	0.18%
10	Ukraine carbon tax	Tax	0.39%	0.81	0.00%

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