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"I am not going to commit to a target when I can't look Australians in the eye and tell them what it costs or how it is going to be achieved."

Well, ahem, that's exactly what you do. About once or twice a week...

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The government proudly declares their 26-28% by 2030 target, but let's remind ourselves just how threadbare and detail-free this plan actually is.

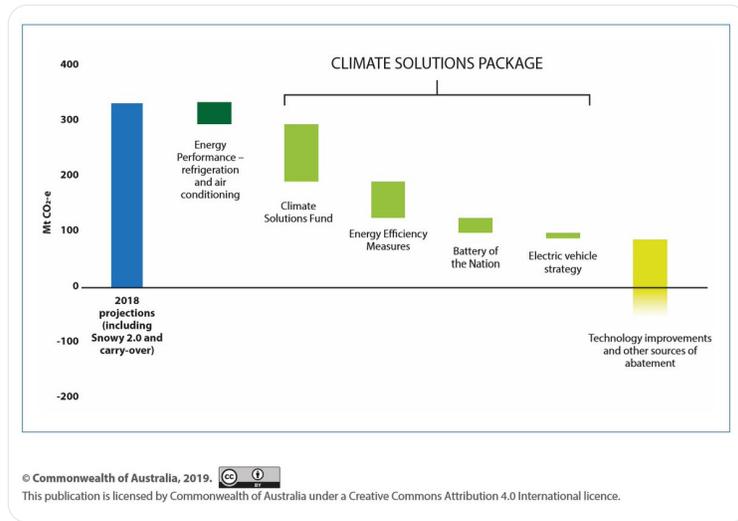
Oh, and by the way, look Mum! No costs!

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Here's the breakdown of where we'll be saving emissions, and the pamphlet it comes from. Official government stuff.

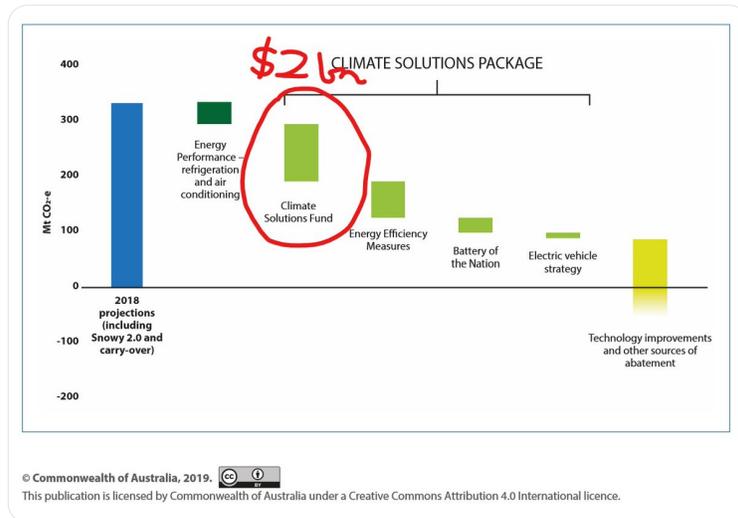
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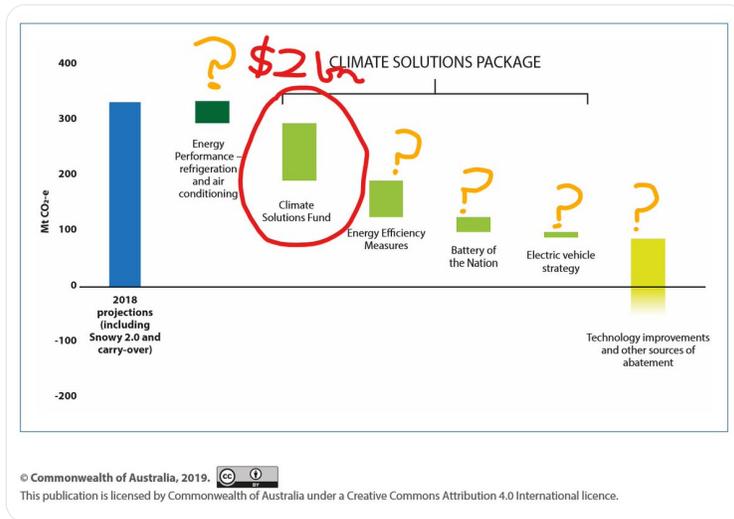
Here's the bit where we know the cost - They'll spend \$2 billion on the so-called Climate Solutions Fund.

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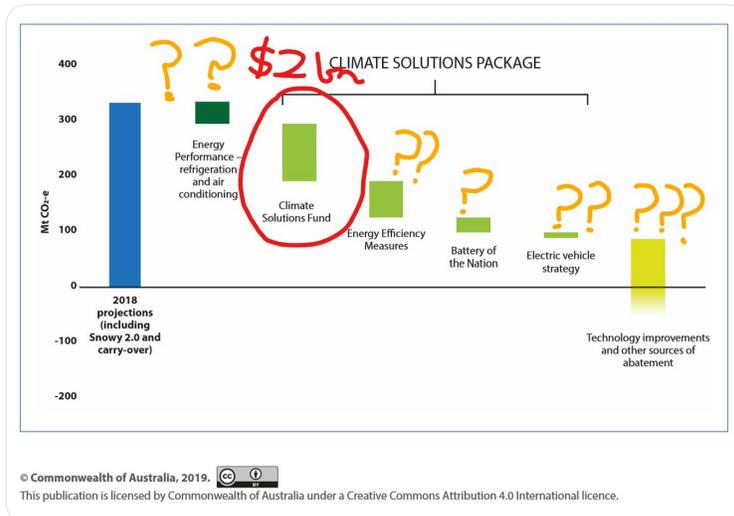
And here's the bits we don't know the cost of. ie Everything Else.

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In fact, we don't even know what these programs are because there's not even a policy to say what they plan to do

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More efficient devices? 35m tonnes by 2030. No cost

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## Other measures to lower emissions and improve the operation of our policies

- An information program to inform owners of refrigeration and air conditioning equipment of the benefits of regular maintenance. This will reduce refrigerant leaks, improve the energy performance of refrigeration and air conditioning equipment and reduce emissions from HFCs. These measures are expected to reduce emissions by 35 million tonnes by 2030.

Fuel quality standards? Unspecified savings. Unspecified cost. Reverse tax anyone?

(Actually, can't see the govt summoning the gumption to push this in the face of the Daily Terror campaign against it. Just ask [@JoshFrydenberg](#) how easy this one is.)

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- Improving Australia's fuel quality standards. The benefits include access to the latest vehicle technology, savings for motorists from more fuel efficient vehicles and health benefits to the community from cleaner air.

[@JoshFrydenberg](#) EV strategy? 10m tonnes by 2030. No cost.

Actually, it doesn't even exist so how can you cost it (!)

(Maybe I'm just being churlish, but I'm am DYING for the day [@AngusTaylorMP](#) stands up and tells us his EVs are superior to Bill Shorten's EVs. Literally cannot wait)

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## A national strategy for electric vehicles

A national electric vehicle strategy will ensure the transition to new vehicle technology and infrastructure is carefully planned and managed, so all Australians can reap the benefits.

These benefits include cleaner air, better health, smarter cities, lower transport costs and lower greenhouse gas emissions. Managed well, the shift to electric vehicles could support a more efficient electricity system by smoothing out peak demand and avoiding costly generation and network investments.

The strategy will build on grants from ARENA, finance from CEFC, and the work of the COAG Transport and Infrastructure Council to coordinate action across governments, industry and community in both urban and regional areas. This work will include consultation on whether mandating an electric vehicle plug type could improve the consistency of public charging.

An electric vehicles strategy is expected to reduce emissions by up to 10 million tonnes by 2030.

[@JoshFrydenberg](#) [@AngusTaylorMP](#) But this one takes the absolute cake.

Technology improvement and other sources of abatement. 100m tonnes by 2030. No cost.

Not even a glimmer of an idea of what this is or how the government plans to make it happen.

- Further technology changes, improved economic efficiency and other sources of abatement will ensure that the Australia will meet its 2030 target. In the 2018 Australian Emissions Projections, Australia's task to reach its 2030 Target improved by 173 million tonnes to 328 million tonnes. Technology changes, improved economic efficiency and other sources of abatement are expected to reduce emissions by over 100 million tonnes by 2030.

[@JoshFrydenberg](#) [@AngusTaylorMP](#) Don't get me wrong, I would love to see all of these things happen.

Energy efficiency, improved fuel standards, EVs, technology, Battery of the Nation is a fantastic idea.

But \*fully costed policy\*?! Are you shitting me?

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[@JoshFrydenberg](#) [@AngusTaylorMP](#) "I am not going to commit to a target when I can't look Australians in the eye etc etc."

Really?!

Given what the PM has been saying as he's been looking into our eyes lately, I think we could be forgiven a little scepticism

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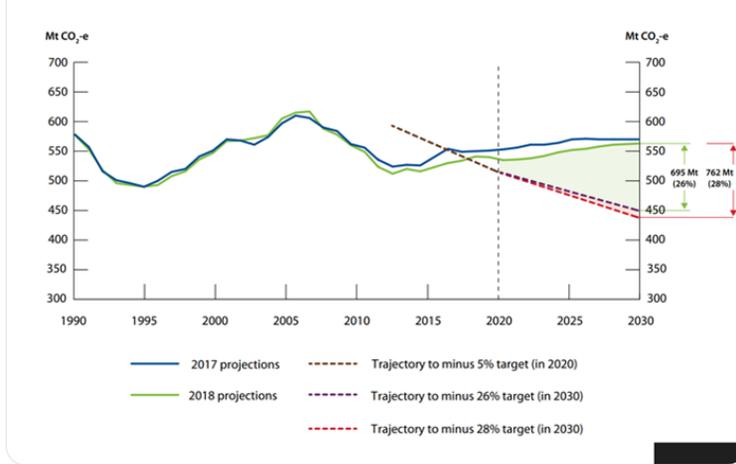
a) a 26% target by 2030 is grossly irresponsible, and has us on track for 3+ degrees of global warming

b) it still includes dodgy Kyoto credits

c) THEIR OWN DEPT DOESN'T EVEN THINK THEY'LL MEET IT

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Figure 4 Australia's emissions trends, 1990 to 2030



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