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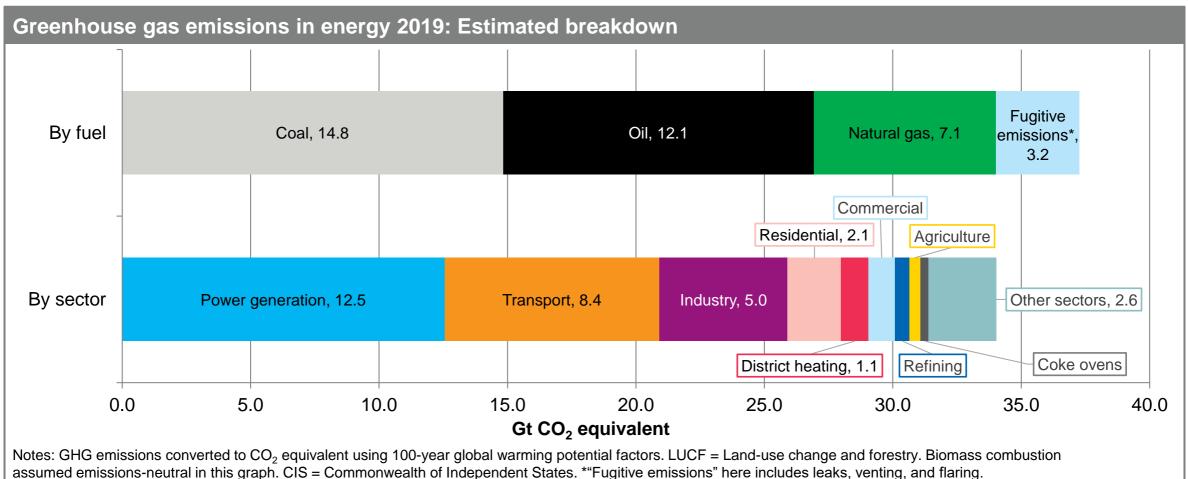
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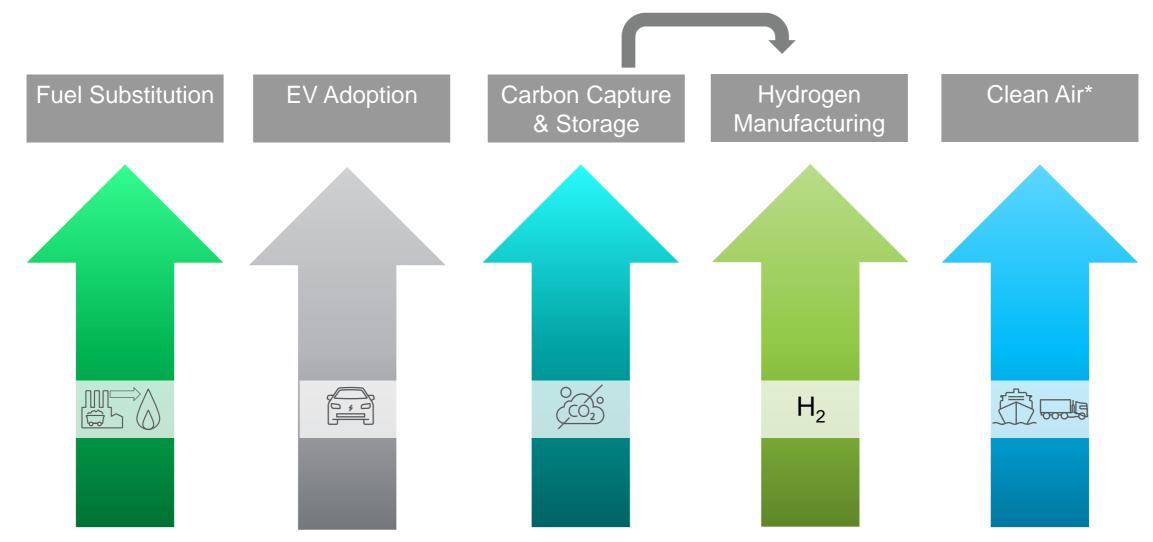
Natural gas accounts for about 8 Gt out of 37 Gt CO₂ equivalent of global energy-related emissions



Source: IHS Markit, Climate Watch Historical GHG Emissions. 2020. Washington, DC: World Resources Institute.

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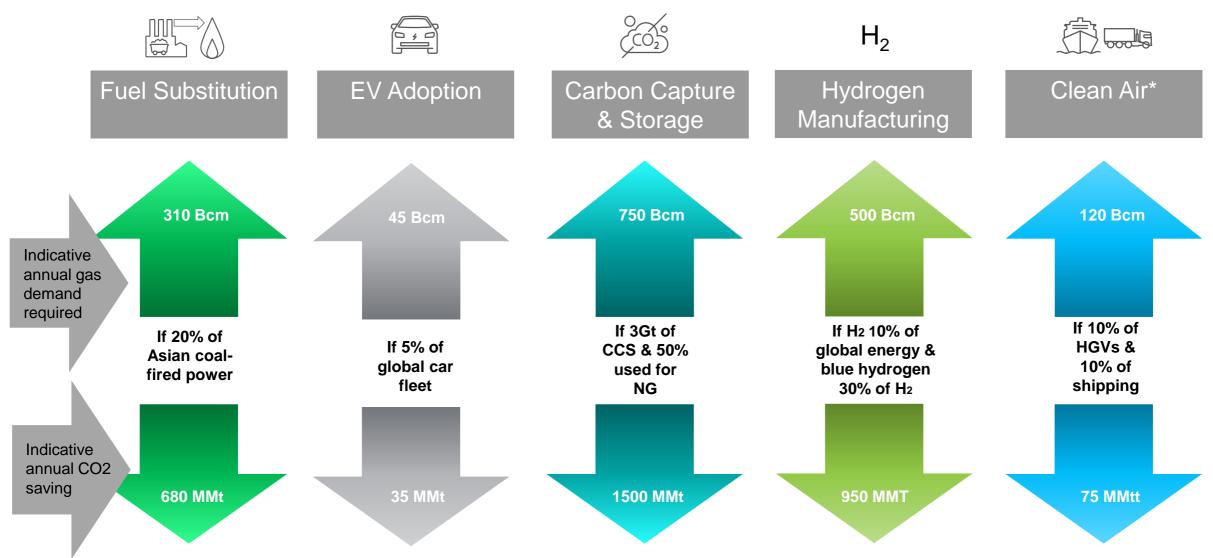
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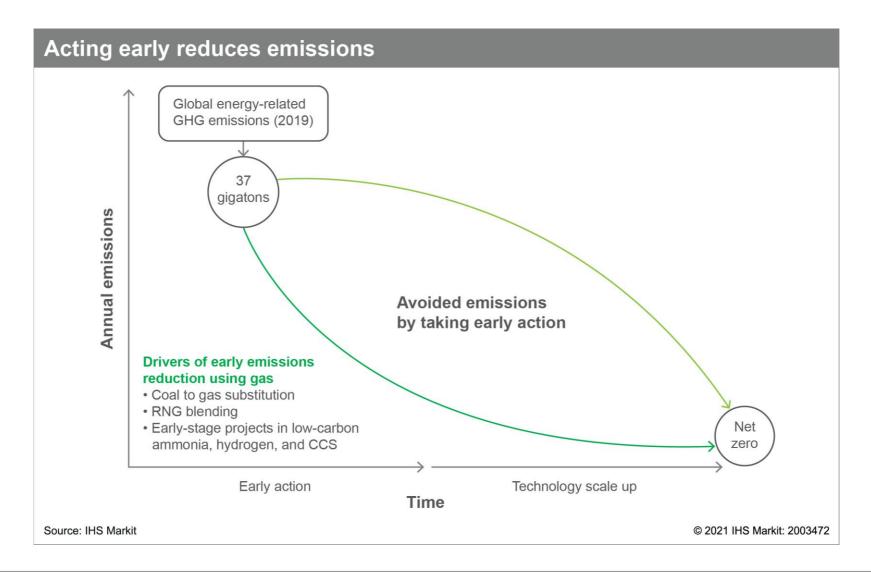
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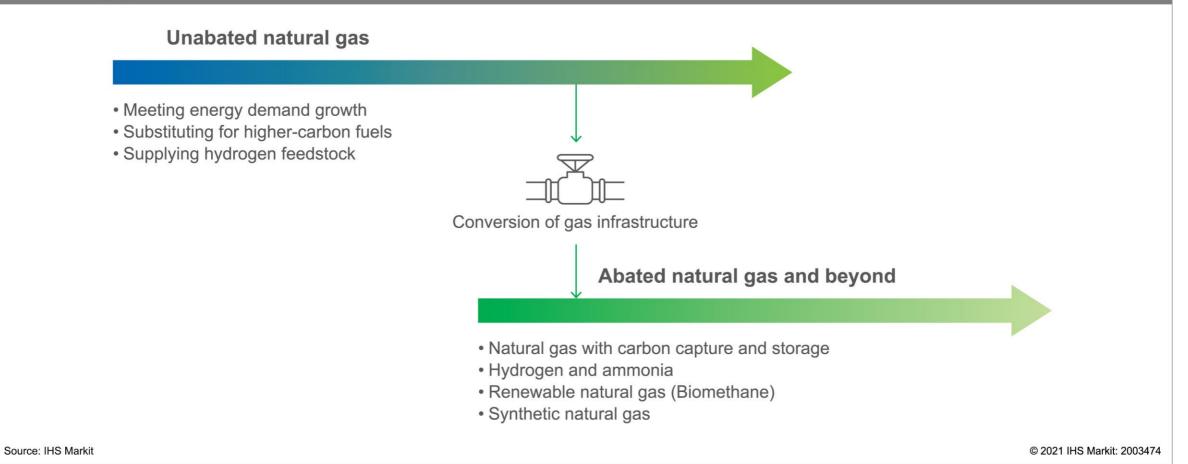
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Natural gas is essential to achieve early emission reductions



The gas blend will transition from unabated natural gas to a range of low carbon gases

Redefining gas



Conclusion—Gas will become the second pillar of decarbonization alongside renewable power

- Gas can extend decarbonization beyond the reach of direct electrification
- Early Action—natural gas reduces overall emission intensity
 - Methane emissions can and must be minimised
- Deep Decarbonization—Gas can greenify its blend
 - Inclusion of hydrogen, CCUS, and renewable natural gas
 - Repurposing of gas infrastructure avoids emissions 'lock-in'
- The timing and speed of this transition will play out differently across countries

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