



“Taking a plane is the fastest and cheapest way to fry the planet.”

– Bill Hemmings, Transport & Environment
www.transportenvironment.org

Australians on average create
22 tonnes of CO₂-e each year

A return flight to London creates
11 tonnes CO₂-e per passenger

Did you know that a return flight to London increases your annual emissions by 50%?

Make the Flight Free 2020 pledge

WE’RE IN A CLIMATE EMERGENCY and our life support systems are in jeopardy, yet aviation emissions are booming, unregulated, unavoidable, hidden and catastrophic. We must land immediately.

If we can switch priorities, from life-as-usual to life saving, then we can reduce emissions and get to safety.

Individuals choosing to not fly can collectively demand changes that reduce aviation emissions to zero as soon as humanly possible.

Equitable aviation fuel taxes and frequent flyer levies can be introduced. Moratoriums can be placed on new aviation infrastructure. Investments can be made in grounded travel and networking infrastructure such as video conferencing. Travel policies can be reworked across institutions. Flights can be reduced each year to get to zero.

As individuals and as a society we need to put our flying priorities on hold while we build these emissions reductions.

Yes, it’s a challenging task. But by supporting each other we can work through our grief at the loss of our freedom to fly. Move from denial and isolation, through anger, bargaining and depression, to acceptance.



JOIN THE FLIGHT FREE AUSTRALIA CAMPAIGN

The FLIGHT FREE AUSTRALIA campaign aims to raise awareness of the hazards of flying, to show what a “climate safe” travel future looks like, and how we can get there.



The campaign joins others in Sweden, Denmark, Germany, France, the UK, USA, Peru and Canada.

FLIGHT FREE AUSTRALIA recognises the need for sweeping, top-down systemic change in the way our transport infrastructure is regulated, funded and managed. We also understand the power of mass

movements in driving these changes. As such we will work as a growing collective of individuals committed to reducing our own emissions but, importantly, acting together to push for climate safe travel policies.

Climate safe travel has benefits that are not immediately obvious. Slowing down, by not flying halfway around the world in a day, can promote a closer and more meaningful connection with both the land we travel through and our destination.



The flying issue asks us: If we need to change our behavioural norms, not just individually but as a society – given we can’t tech-fix the aviation emissions problem in the time available – and if we need to agree on equitably shared voluntary restraint ... can we do these things?

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