

**Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications**  
**Legislation Committee**  
Answers to questions on notice  
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**Senator Lambie, Jacqui asked:**

Isn't it the case that Australia could be like Tasmania and become 100% renewable?  
a) and it would stop the world's climate from changing?

**Answer:**

The Australian mainland does not have access to the same level of hydro resources as Tasmania, so new renewables consist mainly of wind and solar power stations.

Australia accounts for 1.3 per cent of global emissions and needs to play its part in the global effort to reduce emissions.

Australia is making a strong contribution to the global effort to reduce emissions with our 2030 target of 26 to 28 per cent reduction below 2005 emissions levels.