



# PRODUCTS OF THE UK-SSPS PROJECT



## Introduction

The [UK-SSP project](#) has developed shared socioeconomic pathways (SSPs) for the UK, to help answer key questions about the country's resilience to climate change.

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## UK-SSPs - overview of products



# UK-SSP narratives & systems diagrams

## Fact Sheets

Scenario Fact Sheets containing a detailed narrative and system diagram for each of the five UK-SSPs can be viewed by clicking on them below:

UK-SSP1: Sustainability

UK-SSP2: Middle of the Road

UK-SSP3: Regional Rivalry

UK-SSP4: Inequality

UK-SSP5: Fossil-fuelled Development

## Systems diagram videos

Video animations for each of the five scenarios of the UK-SSP project can be watched on YouTube below:

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UK-SSP1 – Sustainability



UK-SSP2 – Middle of the Road



UK-SSP3 – Regional Rivalry



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UK-SSP4 – Inequality



UK-SSP5 – Fossil-fuelled Development



## Semi-quantitative trends

This document provides semi-quantitative trends for 50 socio-economic variables within each UK-SSP. Trends are categorised into seven categories (very strong increase, strong increase, slight increase, no change, slight decrease, strong decrease, very strong decrease) across three time periods up to 2100.

Download the data: <https://www.ukclimateresilience.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/06/UK-SSPs-Tables-of-Semi-quantitative-Trends.pdf>

## Quantified spatial projections

### User Manual

Download the user manual for quantifies spatial projections: [https://www.ukclimateresilience.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/06/UK-SSPs\\_Quantification-of-Scenarios\\_User-Manual\\_FINAL\\_Website-version.pdf](https://www.ukclimateresilience.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/06/UK-SSPs_Quantification-of-Scenarios_User-Manual_FINAL_Website-version.pdf)

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## Database of Socioeconomic Projections

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This database includes detailed quantified projections for 25 key socioeconomic variables within each UK-SSP. Projections are available at various spatial resolutions, ranging from 1km level to UK total, depending on the variable in question.

Download the database through the link here: [Met Office – Socioeconomic projections – OneDrive \(sharepoint.com\)](#)

## Open source Tool for Regridding Data

This tool provides access to essential python libraries for geospatial analysis (e.g. Geopandas, shapely, and pyproj). It provides a workflow to take the quantified projections data and interpolate/aggregate the data to specified output grids.

Download the tool: [https://cambridgeeconometrics-my.sharepoint.com/:u:/g/personal/js\\_camecon\\_com/Ebg-A4TU1qIEm4CvEUy8Ti4BpLZ46wKUuJRFCB\\_Tsy6a1w](https://cambridgeeconometrics-my.sharepoint.com/:u:/g/personal/js_camecon_com/Ebg-A4TU1qIEm4CvEUy8Ti4BpLZ46wKUuJRFCB_Tsy6a1w)

## Interface for exploring and accessing UK-SSP products

The various products detailed above can also be accessed through an interface for each UK-SSP. The interfaces allow for easy exploration of each scenario, including scenario narratives, descriptions of key socioeconomic drivers, links between drivers, downloadable data and maps. Click below to access UK-SSP1, from which you can also access each of the other UK-SSPs. (Clicking on ‘Full screen insight’ expands the view.)

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## Publications

The paper below describes the UK-SCAPE versions of the UK-SSPs that the UKCR project has further extended spatially, temporally and sectorally.

Pedde, S., Harrison, P., Holman, I., *et al.* 2021. [Enriching the Shared Socioeconomic Pathways to co-create consistent multi-sector scenarios for the UK](#). *Science of the Total Environment*, Volume 756, 143172.

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Register to attend: <https://oecd-events.org/cop26/session/451a6605-f027-ec11-ae72-a04a5e7d345e>  
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