



Examples of Climate Technology in New Zealand

Organised by emissions impact and sector contribution to New Zealand's climate footprint

1. Agriculture & Methane Reduction (NZ's largest source of emissions – over 48%)

- Fonterra – In collaboration with AgResearch, working on 'Kowbucha', a probiotic solution to reduce methane emissions from cows.
<https://www.fonterra.com/nz/en.html>
- MethaneSAT – A global satellite project backed by the New Zealand government to track agricultural methane emissions. <https://www.methanesat.org/>
- Ravensdown's EcoPond – Technology that reduces methane emissions from dairy effluent ponds.
<https://www.ravensdown.co.nz/in-the-community/fonterra-invests-in-ecopond-pilot-to-reduce-on-farm-emissions>
- Ruminant Biotech – Developing a methane-inhibiting vaccine for livestock.
<https://ruminantbiotech.com/>

2. Transport Electrification & Mobility (NZ's second-largest emissions sector – over 20%)

- Hiringa Energy – Developing New Zealand's green hydrogen refueling network for heavy transport. <https://www.hiringa.co.nz/>
- Kwetta – Grid-first EV fast charging for buses, trucks and cars. <https://kwetta.com/>
- MEVO – New Zealand-based electric vehicle car-sharing company.
<https://mevo.co.nz/>
- Wisk Aero – Developing a self-flying, all-electric air taxi in NZ with Boeing's support.
<https://wisk.aero/>
- Zilch – A 100% electric vehicle car-sharing company. <https://www.zilch.nz/>

3. Renewable Energy, Storage & Smart Electricity Systems (Critical enabler for decarbonisation across all sectors)

- Aotea Energy – Smart home battery and optimisation software. <https://www.aoteaenergy.com/>
- Basis – Advanced smart panels for residential energy. <https://www.wearebasis.com/>
- Blackcurrent – Microgrid and DER Energy as a Service. <https://www.blackcurrent.io/>
- Cetogenix – Converting organic biomass into energy. <https://www.cetogenix.co.nz/>
- Ecotricity – Carbon-zero electricity retailer. <https://ecotricity.co.nz/>
- Lodestone Energy – Large-scale solar farms. <https://lodestoneenergy.co.nz/>
- Octopus Energy – Tech-driven electricity solutions. <https://octopusenergy.nz/about-us>

4. Carbon Capture, Forestry & Industrial Decarbonisation (*Combines land-based sinks, industrial emitters & CO₂ removal tech. Growing category essential for offsetting and industrial transformation.*)

- Aspiring Materials – CO₂ removal using mineral-based tech. <https://www.aspiringmaterials.com/>
- Captivate Technology – CO₂ capture from industrial streams. <https://www.captivatetechnology.com/>
- Carbonscape – Biochar and carbon material from biomass. <https://carbonscape.com/>
- Forest360 – LiDAR and GIS forest inventory and monitoring. <https://forest360.nz/>
- Goodnature – Biodiversity-enhancing pest management tech. <https://www.goodnature.co.nz/>
- Hot Lime Labs – Clean CO₂ production for greenhouse use <https://hotlimelabs.com/>
- LanzaTech NZ – Converts waste carbon emissions into fuels and chemicals. <https://www.lanzatech.com/>

5. Circular Economy & Sustainable Materials (*Addresses emissions reduction by waste, construction, and material use*)

- Humitech – Organic waste to compost and biofertiliser <https://www.humitech.co.nz/>
- Mint Innovation – E-waste recovery through urban mining. <https://mint.bio/>
- XFrame – Reusable, modular timber construction framing. <https://xframe.com.au/>

6. Climate Data, AI & Market Platforms (*Tracking, optimisation, and carbon market tools. Critical enabler for insight, behaviour change, and emissions transparency*)

- Cogo – Carbon tracking fintech for consumers and businesses. <https://cogo.co/>
- Open Country Dairy – AI-driven emissions monitoring. <https://www.opencountry.co.nz/>
- Synlait – AI tools for on-farm emission tracking. <https://www.synlait.com/>
- Toha – Blockchain-based carbon credit marketplace. <https://toha.nz/>

7. Other Industries & Emerging Innovations (*Smaller contributors or future potential – important but not yet systemically central*)

- Goodnature – Biodiversity preservation and predator control
<https://goodnature.co.nz/>

Additions to consider:

- Built environment energy efficiency (e.g., HVAC, building performance tech)
- Water and irrigation optimisation (smart tech in agriculture and urban water systems)
- Climate risk and adaptation analytics (resilience tools for infrastructure, land use)