





# Using multipliers to study rebound effects

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  - What is a rebound effect?
  - Can we study rebound using multipliers?
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  - How can multipliers be used for Scottish case studies?



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# Part A

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- Multiplier analysis a widely used tool in IO frameworks
- For example Employment multiplier shows the changes in employment throughout the economy following a change in employment in one sector
- We focus on embodied energy use/emissions
  - Output multipliers key for our work



 Our output multipliers show the change in energy use and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions due to a change in final demand





• Simple scenario; Improved energy efficiency in UK households reduces spending to EGWS sector by 10%







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 If savings are re-spent to Global Food and Beverage Manufacture we have an increase in energy use/carbon emissions



• Main impact overseas





- Does this increase offset the original savings due to improved energy efficiency?
  - We need to examine the net change in energy use/ emissions



- The benefits from improved energy efficiency have been reduced
- Still net energy/CO<sub>2</sub> savings



## What is a rebound effect?



- The energy (carbon) savings are not limited to the reduced energy use (carbon emissions) of the households
- Further savings on the EGWS supply chain; Rebound effect
  - We focus on indirect rebound effect
- Rebound indicator

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$$R = \left(1 - \frac{AES}{PES}\right) \times 100$$

- Ratio of Actual Energy Savings (AES) achieved over Potential Energy Savings (PES) anticipated
- We want negative R
  - Actual savings larger than Potential
  - If AES positive then we have net energy (carbon) savings
- No standard definition for PES





- We propose the use of a Carbon Saving Multiplier (CSM) instead of R
- CSM is calculated using the following formula
- Change in embodied emissions Direct household emissions savings • CSM =
- CSM tells the same story as R
- In example CSM=2.89

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• For every kt of CO<sub>2</sub> saved by UK households further 1.89 kt are saved globally







- Thank you for your attention
- Further information can be found on the policy briefing

• Oluwafisayo will continue with the second part of the presentation



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# Part B

#### Introduction



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#### ✓ Inter-country and Global case



#### Scottish Case

- What are the Carbon Savings Multipliers for Scotland?
- What are the GHG multiplier impacts in Scotland for different 'Eat', 'light', 'Heat' and 'Travel' domestic spending options?
- Data: Scottish Input-Output (IO) Tables (2012) and UK Average Sectoral GHG Intensities.



#### Working towards Carbon Saving Multipliers (CSM) for Scotland

Scotland is in an excellent position with regard to economic input-output accounting data, however a key challenge/problem is a lack of region-specific data on sectoral GHG



#### Further Applications:

- > How GHG is distributed within Scotland's supply chain.
- Use Scottish Data to replace the electricity GHG intensities to see how the multipliers change.
- Replicate similar scenarios as in the inter-country case.



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#### Conclusions



#### **Advantages of Input-Output Multiplier Analysis**

- Useful tool for examining the interdependences within an economy and the interactions between the economy and the environment.
- Flexibility framework or tool (e.g. Inter-country or Regional and can be used to consider other pollutants, waste and resource uses)
- Alternatives tool/method to Rebound measures.
- Support existing economic and environmental policies or inform new policy decisions. (Key questions and 'What if' scenarios)

#### Still on the Scottish case.....

Gioele will give a fuller economy wide perspective on 'can rebound effects reduce fuel poverty' linked to WP4.