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Forestry in the Highlands

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Challenging Misconceptions:

‘Our forests offer a lot more than just timber production’

Highland Wildcats, Golspie

Native Woodlands

Glenmore Forest Park

A Low-Carbon Society: Energy wood

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Productive Forestry at Work

Forestry: Contributing to the Economy of Scotland

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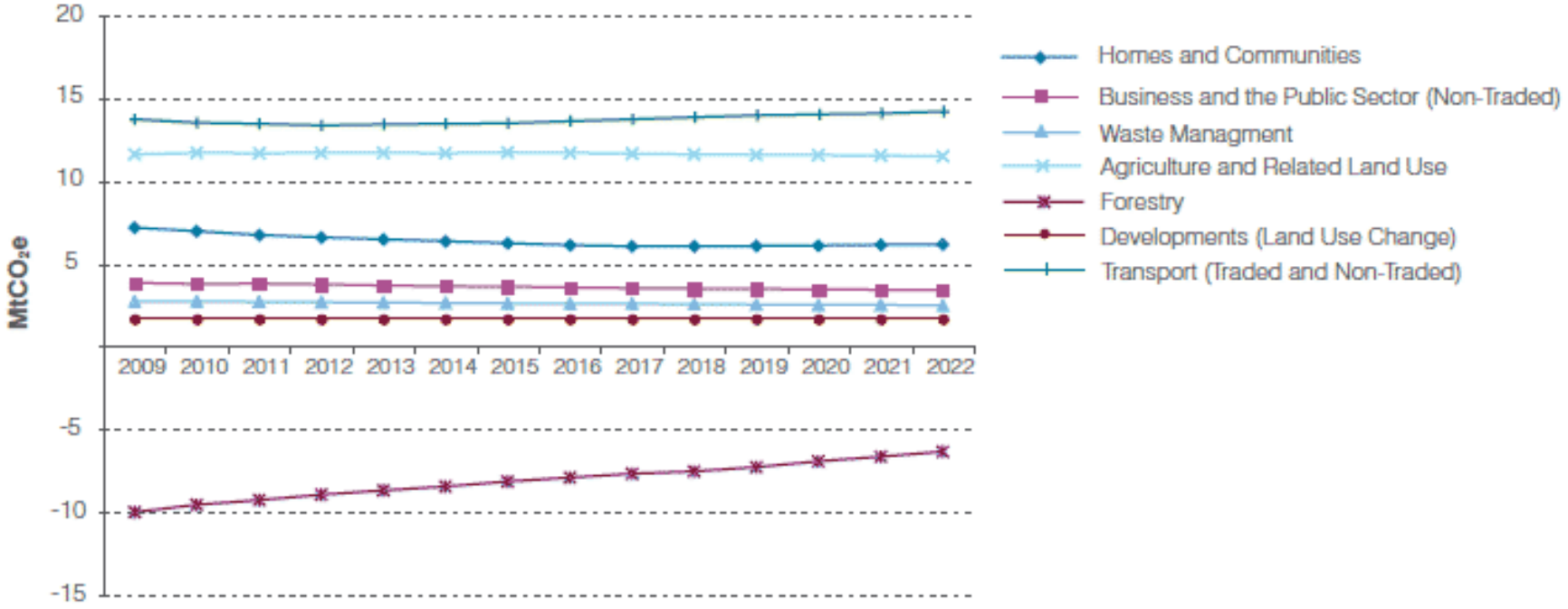
Steven's Croft, Lockerbie.

Scottish Government Future Emissions



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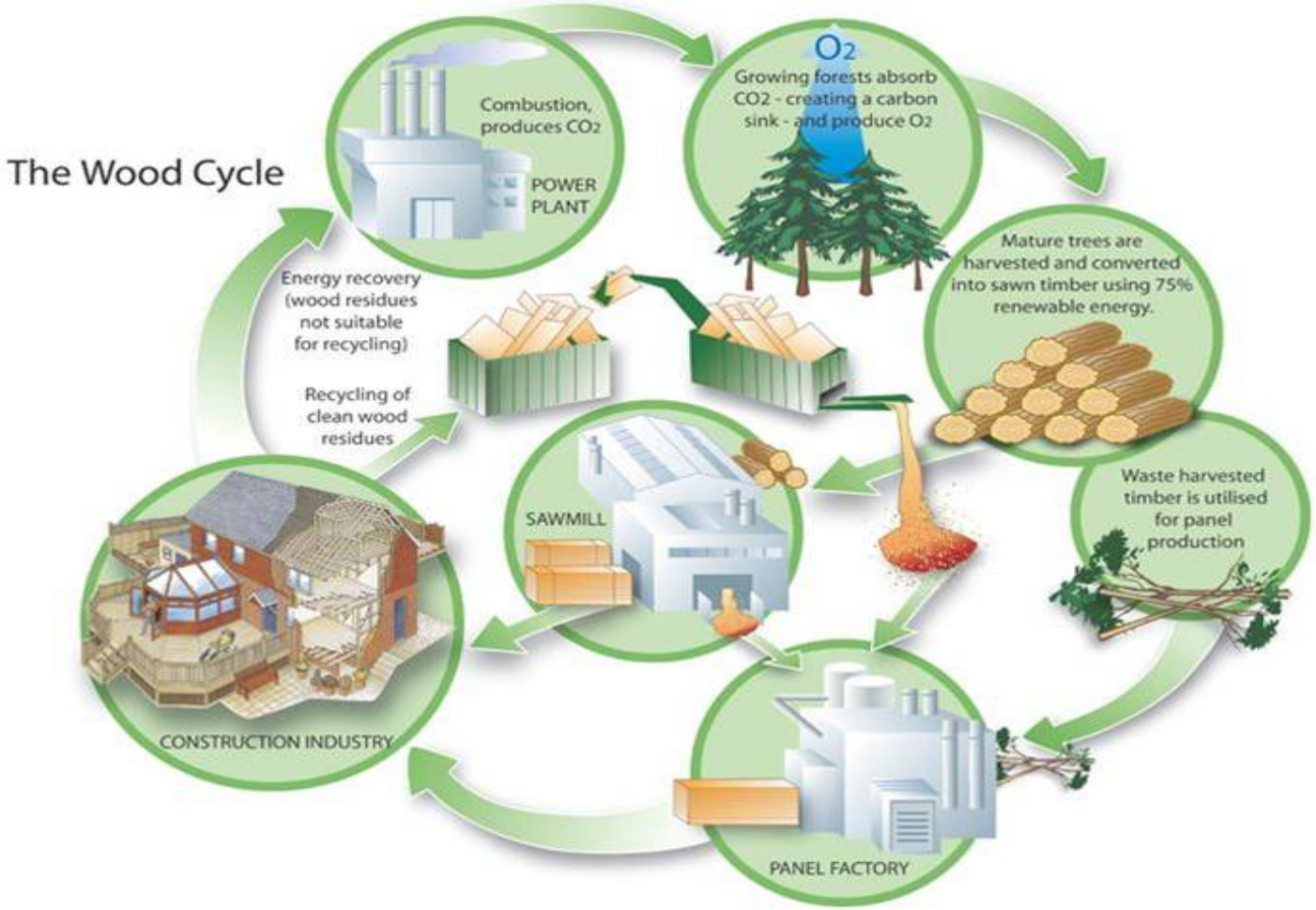
The Wood Cycle



Businesses in the Highlands

- **Panel board manufacturers** – Norbord (Dalcross)
- **Sawmills** – Munros (Dingwall); James Jones & Sons Ltd (Forres, Mosttodloch); BSW Timber (Boat of Garten & Fort William); Norbuild (Forres); Tulloch Timber (Nairn) Ltd; Russwood Ltd (Newtonmore)
- **Energy** – Balcas (Invergordon), Helius (Rothes); HWEnergy (Fort William)....
- **Growers/Owners** – estates, farmers, crofters' groups, community groups, charities (RSPB, WTS, NTS, Trees for Life), Forest Enterprise
- **Forest Management/Harvesting Companies** – Scottish Woodlands Ltd, UPM Tilhill, Euroforest, Cawdor Forestry, Bowlts.....
- **Contractors** – establishment & silvicultural maintenance, harvesting
- **Transport** – haulage by road and rail, shipping by sea and canal
- **Government Regulators and Promoters** – Forestry Commission Scotland, HIE, The Highland Council

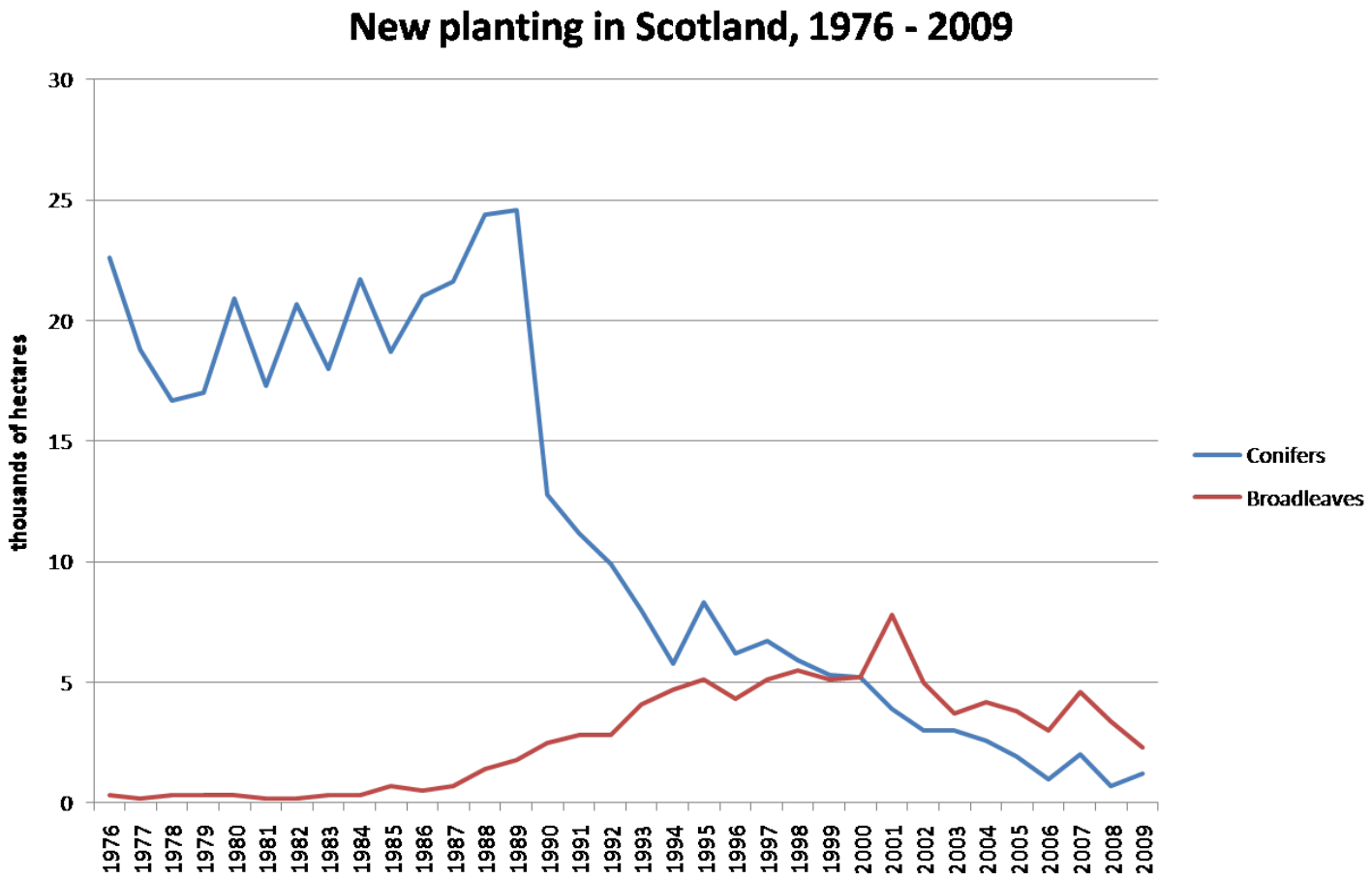
Innovators in Timber Transport

Tyre Pressure Control System

Floating Pier System

MV Kanutta, Caledonian Canal

The Future: Wood Availability



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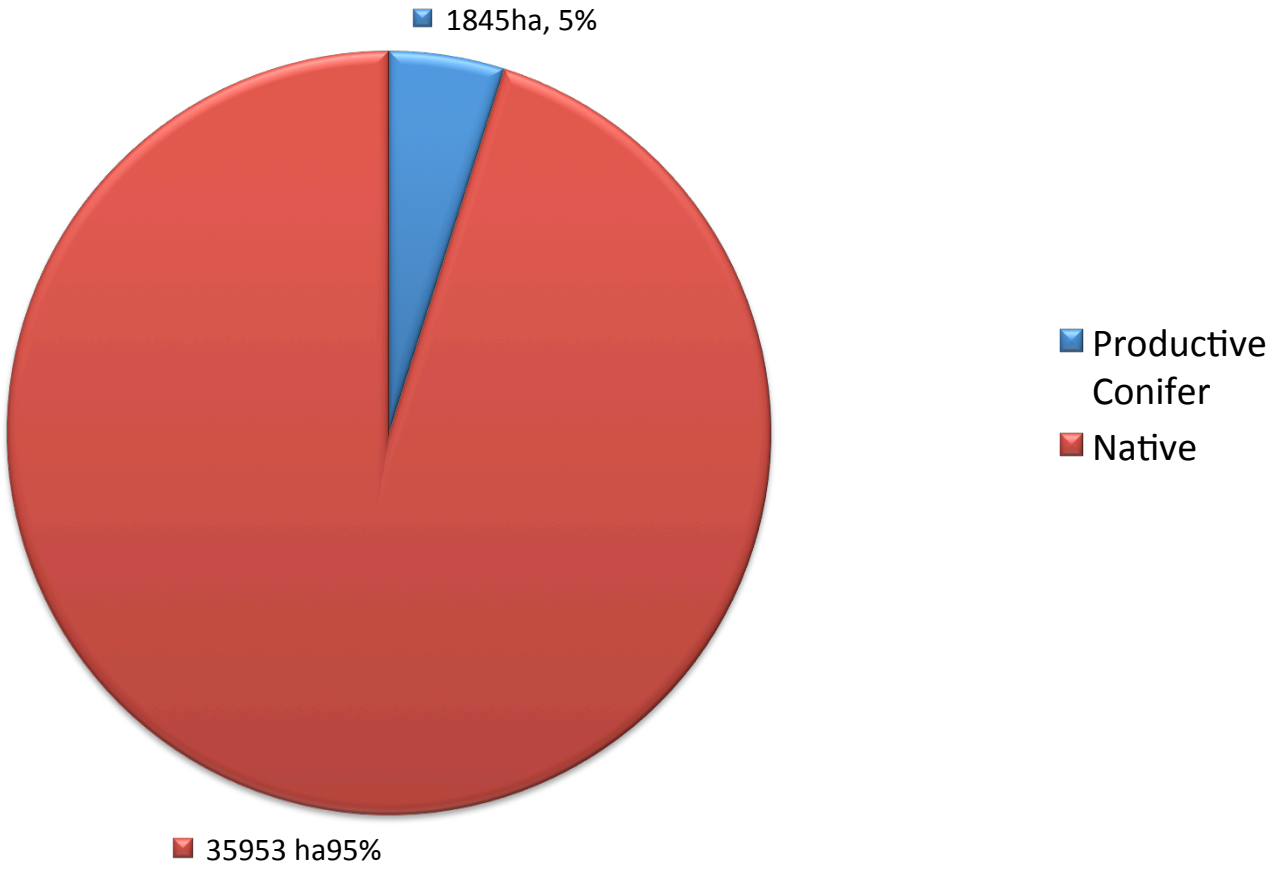
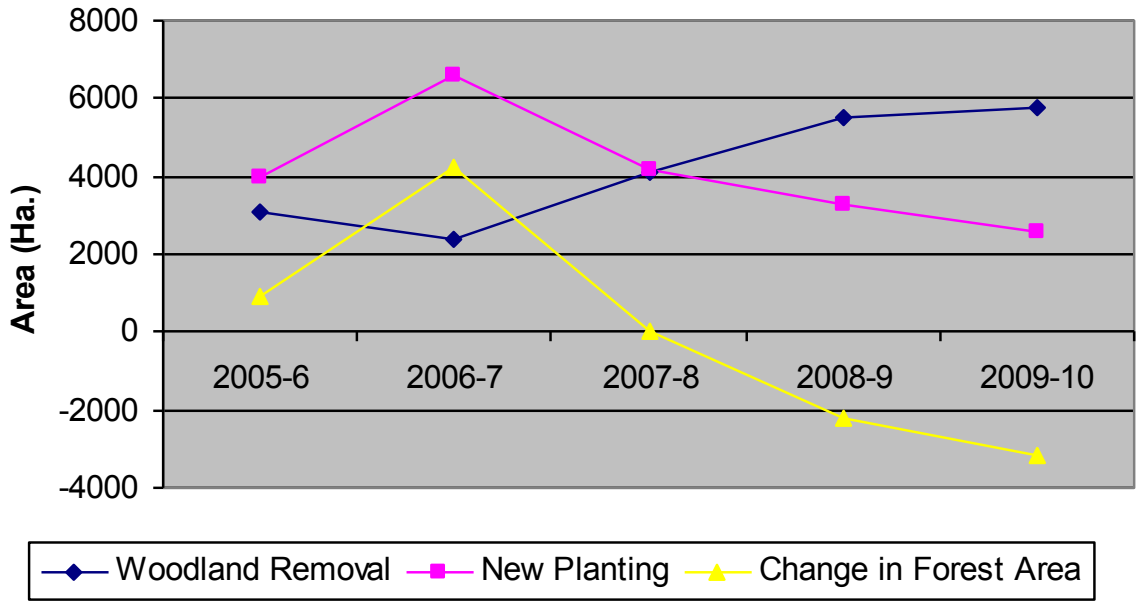


Forest Loss

	Woodland Removal	New Planting	Change in Forest Area
2005-6	3063	3995	932
2006-7	2356	6571	4215
2007-8	4123	4167	44
2008-9	5517	3306	-2211
2009-10	5758	2605	-3153



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