

# Plans for 2025 targets and beyond

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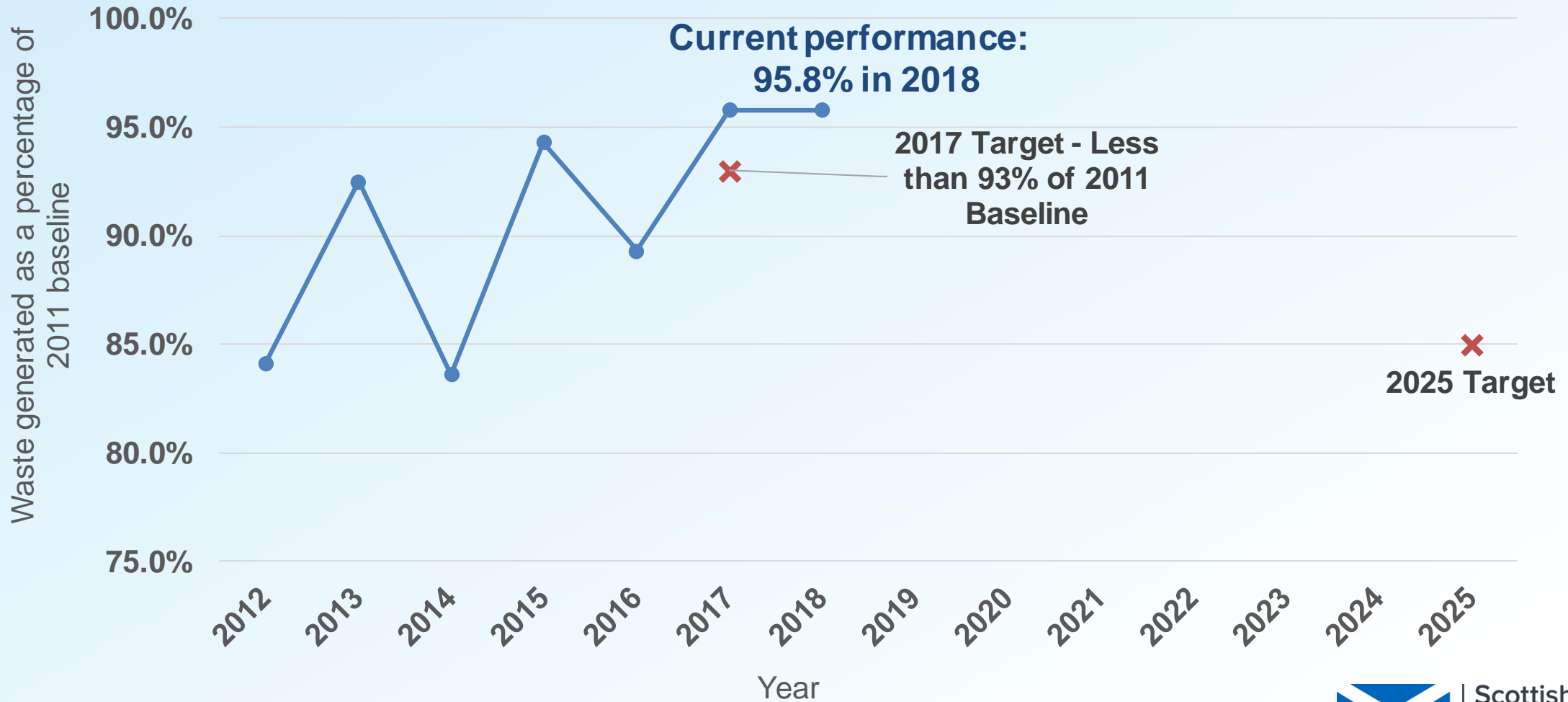
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# Resources and waste targets

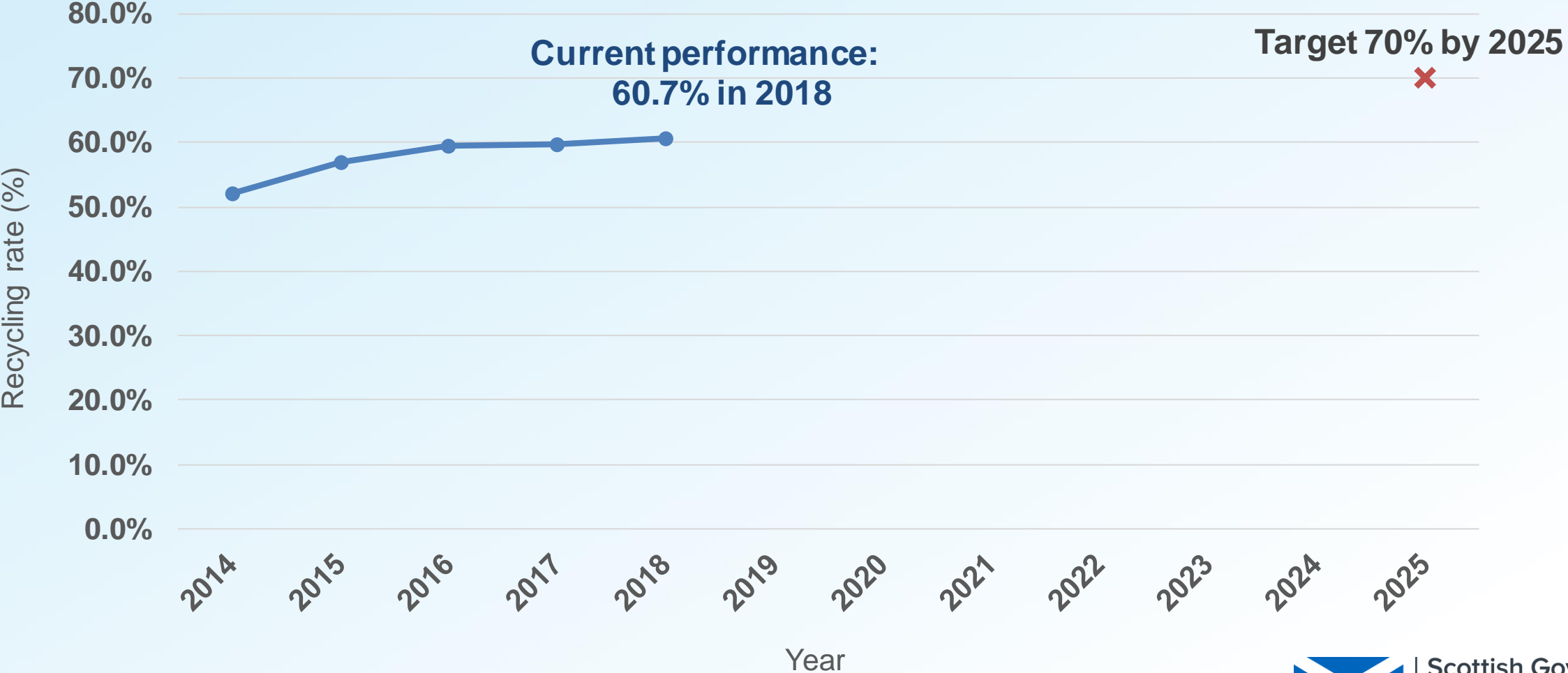
- Reduce the quantity of biodegradable municipal waste disposed to landfill to less than 1.26 million tonnes by 2020 (*EU target – met since 2013*)
- 70% recycling and reuse of construction & demolition waste by 2020 (*EU target – met every year since 2011*)
- Reduction in waste generated against 2011 baseline by 7% by 2017 and 15% by 2025
- Reduce food waste by 33% against 2013 levels by 2025
- Recycle 60% of Scottish household waste by 2020 (*EU target: 50% by 2020*)
- Recycle 70% of all waste by 2025
- Maximum of 5% of waste to landfill by 2025
- Ending the practice of landfilling biodegradable municipal waste by 2025



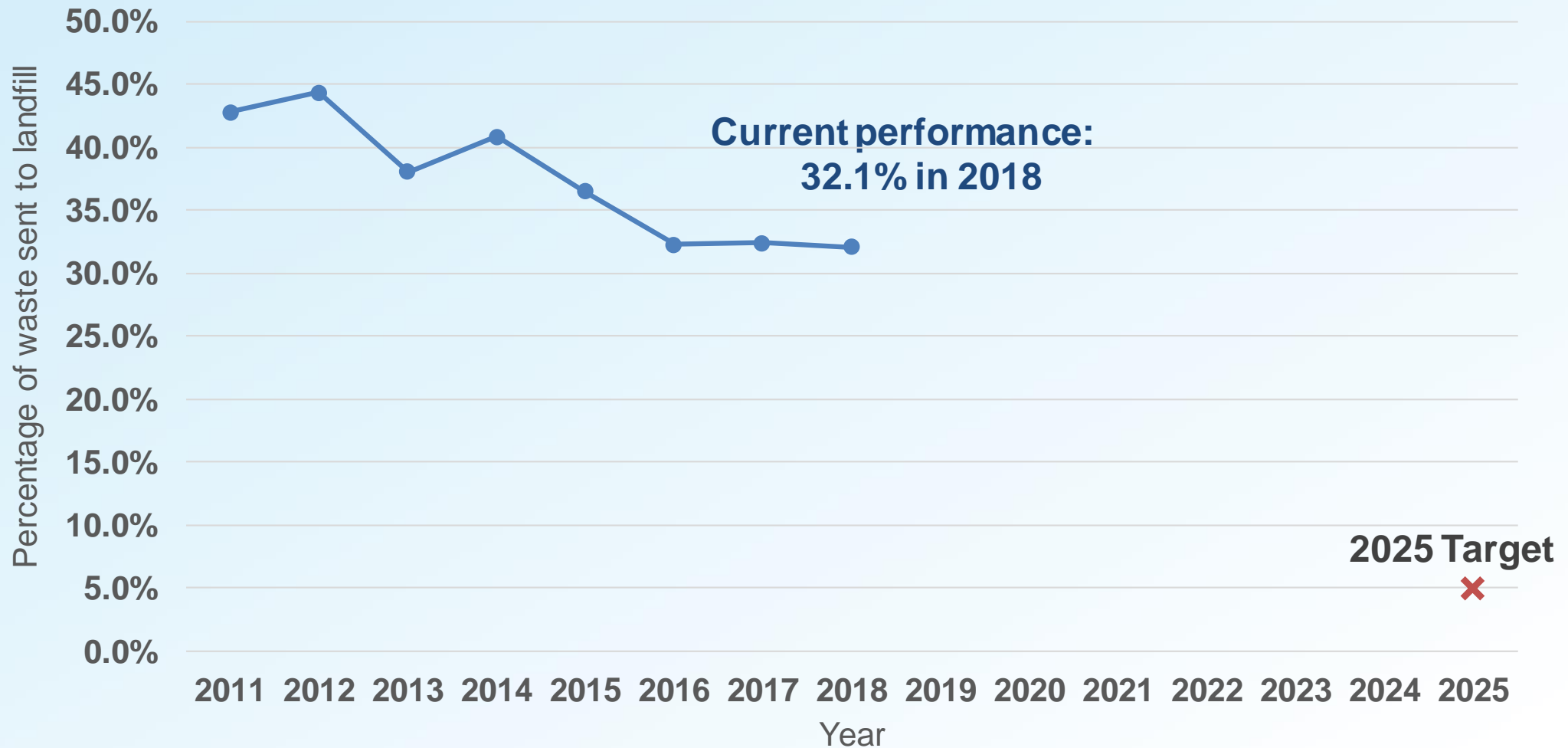
# Waste generated in Scotland



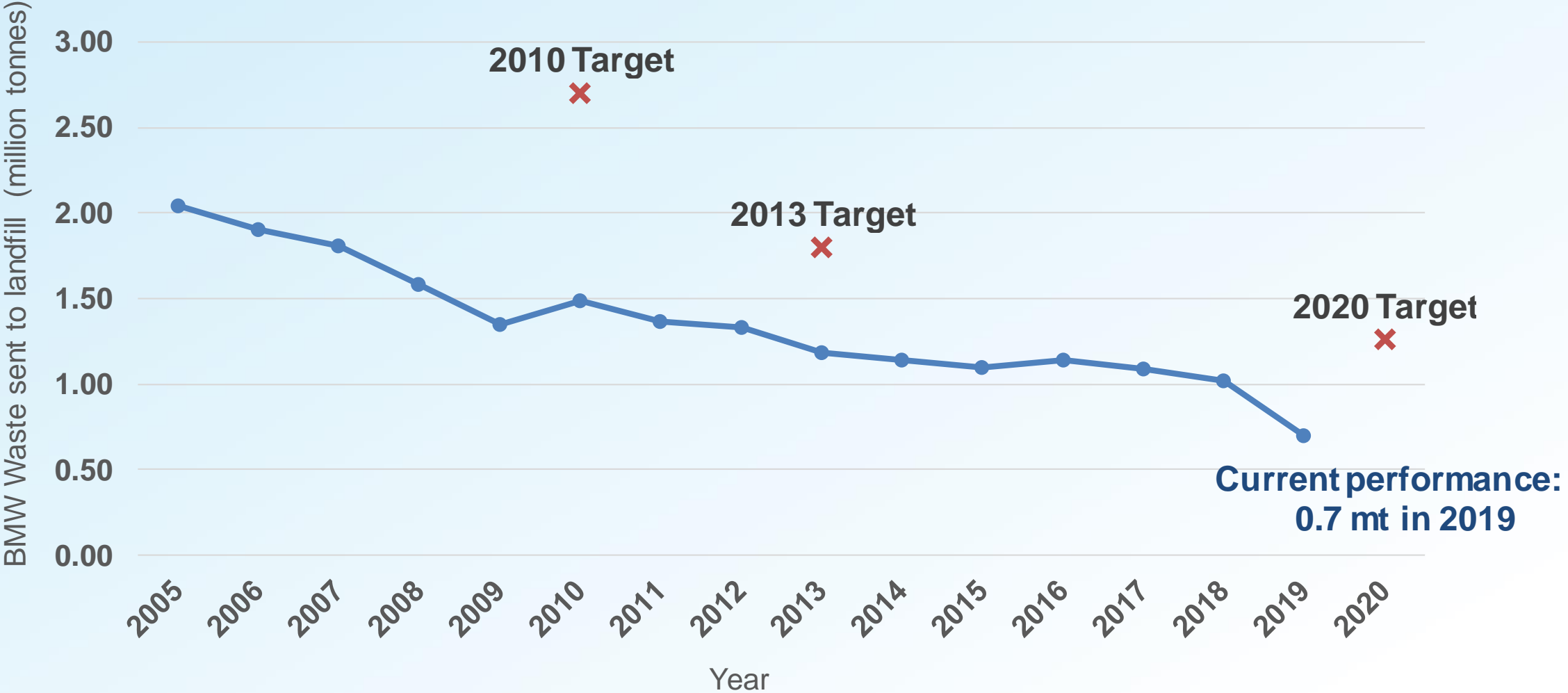
# Recycling rate - waste from all sources



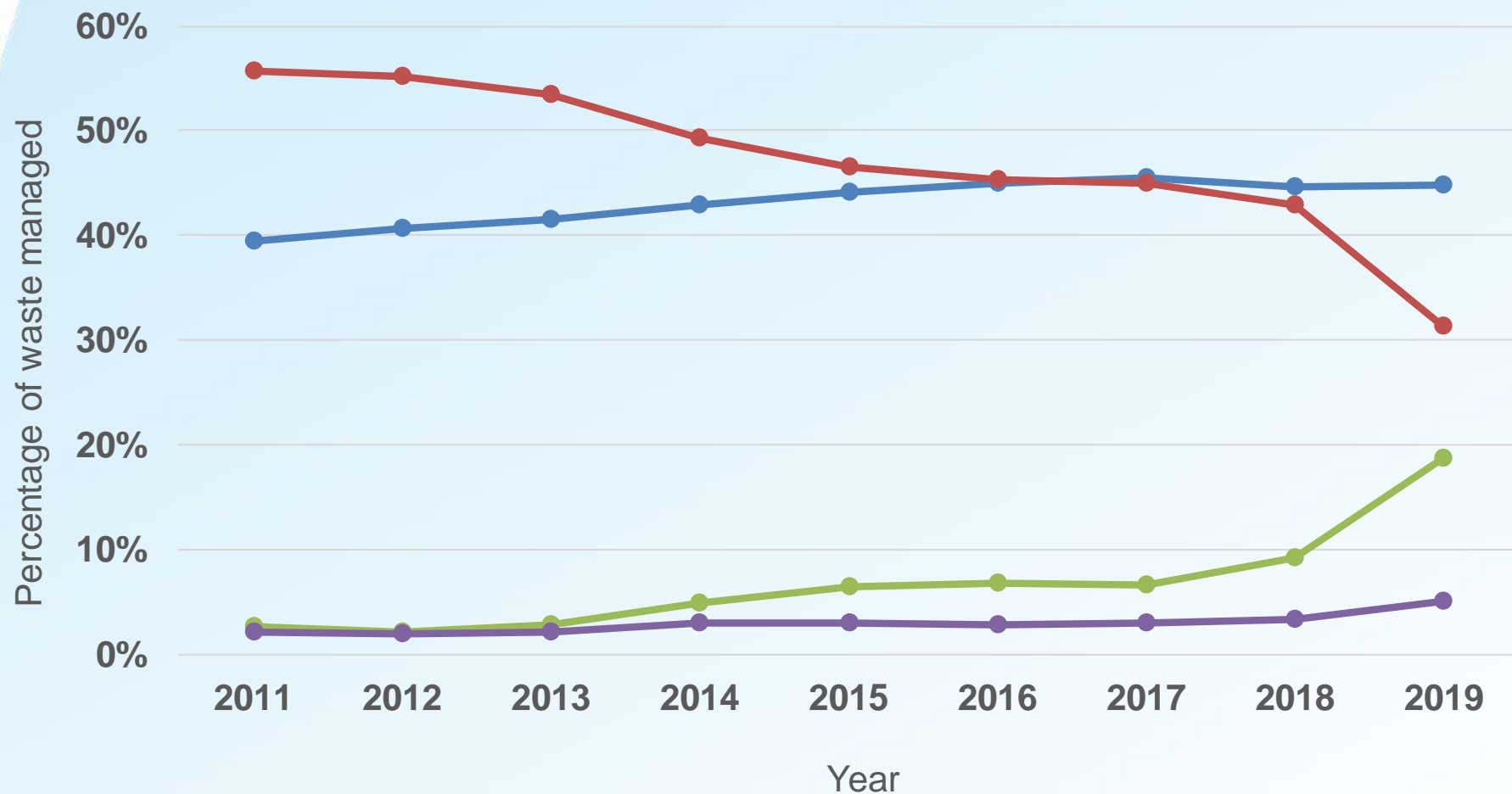
# Waste from all sources sent to landfill



# BMW landfilled in Scotland



# Household waste managed in Scotland



## In 2019

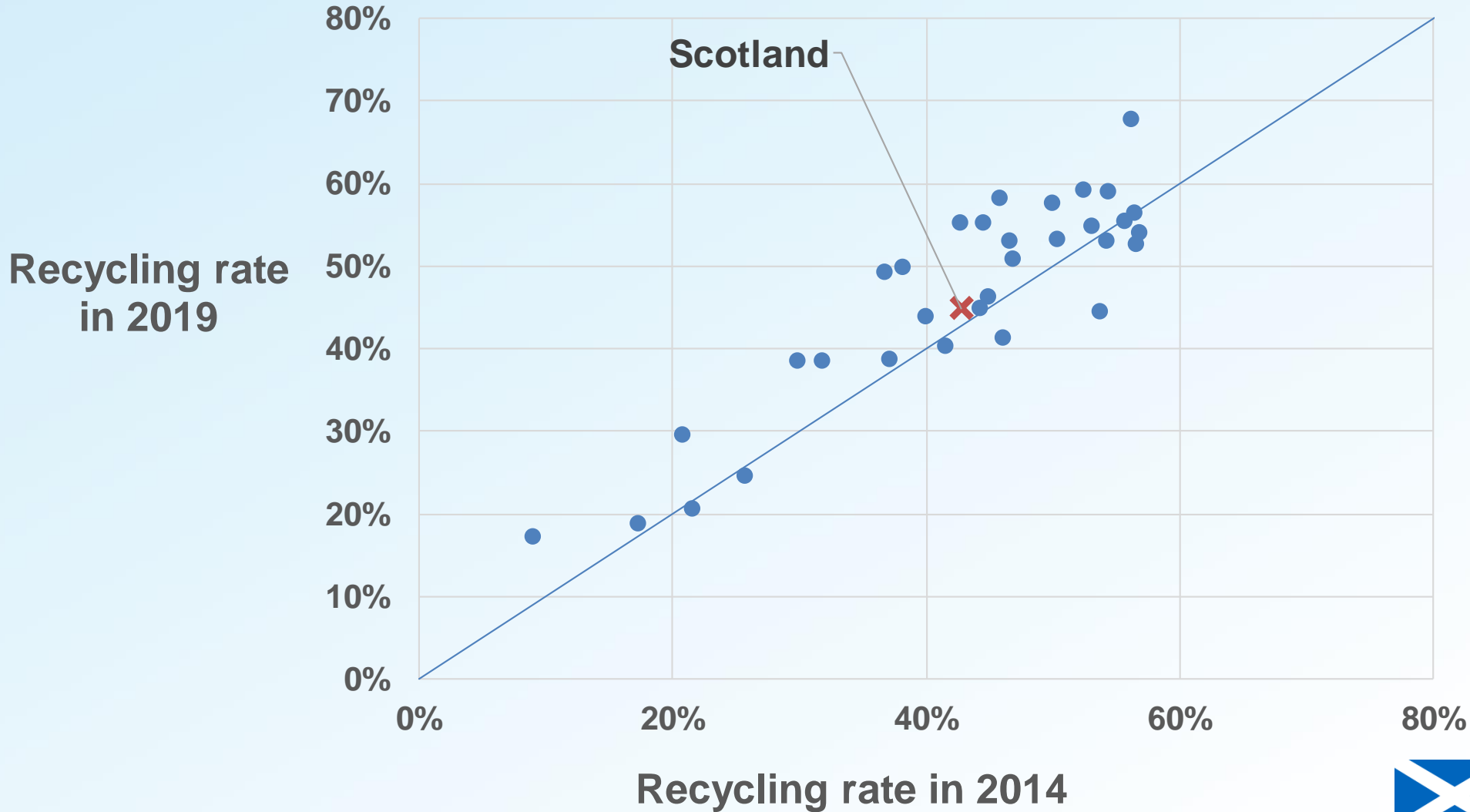
- **44.9%** of household waste was recycled;
- **31%** of household waste was landfilled;
- **19%** of household waste was incinerated; and
- **5%** was dealt with otherwise.

— Recycled — Landfilled — Net Incineration — Other diversion from landfill



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# Local authority recycling rates





# Challenges (1)

- **Prioritising waste prevention/promoting reuse**
  - Few incentives to design out waste or to reuse/recycle
  - Unrecyclable products coming to market
  - Producers not meeting full cost of dealing with waste
- **Accelerating progress on high quality recycling/ recycling rates**
  - **60% of what householders throw away could have been recycled**
  - Making the right choices the easier choices
  - Consistency of collections across local authorities
  - Communications/engagement



# Challenges (2)

- **Managing residual waste**

- Diverting biodegradable waste away from landfill
- Reducing the proportion of recyclable waste in the residual waste stream
- Difficult waste streams
- Minimising environmental impact – vital role of regulation
- Effective engagement with communities regarding any planned developments

- **Infrastructure**

- Managing risks of over-capacity or being 'locked in' to contracts that disincentivise waste reduction
- Further improving efficiency of Energy from Waste plants (e.g. heat offtake)
- Future proofing (e.g. for carbon capture storage)

- **COVID-19**



# Our actions

## Preventing waste & promoting reuse

- Single use plastics ban
- Food waste reduction action plan
- DRS
- EPR reforms
- Promoting reuse
- Fiscal incentives

## Supporting high quality recycling

- £70 million recycling improvement fund
- Evaluating the Household Recycling Charter & reviewing its supporting Code of Practice

## Managing residual waste

- Supporting delivery of forthcoming ban on BMW to landfill
- Robust regulation
- Considering CCC's latest recommendations

## General approach

- EU Circular Economy Package
- Route Map to achieving our 2025 targets



# Beyond 2025...

- Scotland's net-zero by 2045 ambitions
- Continuing to accelerate our move to a fully circular economy
- Focusing targets/actions on the right things & measures that will have most impact

