Risks and planning

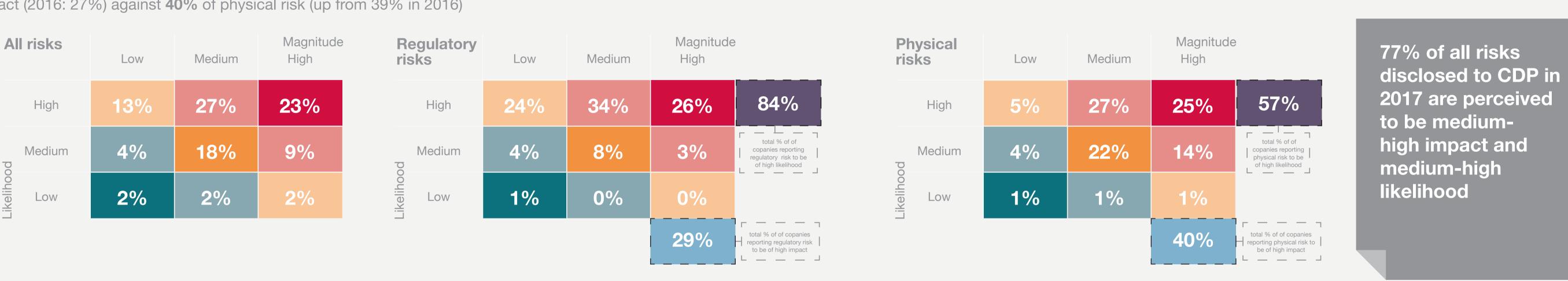
South Africa remains a climate vulnerable country and, in addition to managing global competitiveness, companies need to manage their risk exposure and their long-term response

Physical risks are increasingly prevalent in company disclosures; and while regulatory risks are still more commonly disclosed and seen as more likely, it is physical risks that dominate high-magnitude risk and which are deemed to have a greater financial cost.

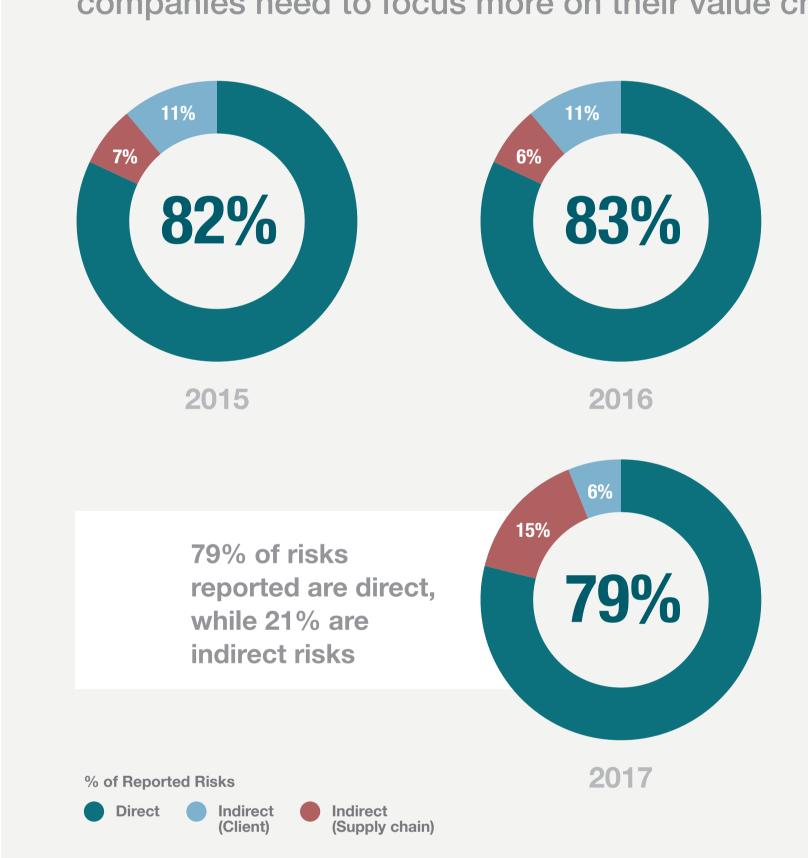
The percentage of companies reporting risks with a high likelihood to occur and high magnitude of impact



While the likelihood of regulatory risks is higher, with 84% of those disclosed deemed highly likely, against 57% of physical risks, only 29% of regulatory risks disclosed are deemed to be of high impact (2016: 27%) against **40%** of physical risk (up from 39% in 2016)

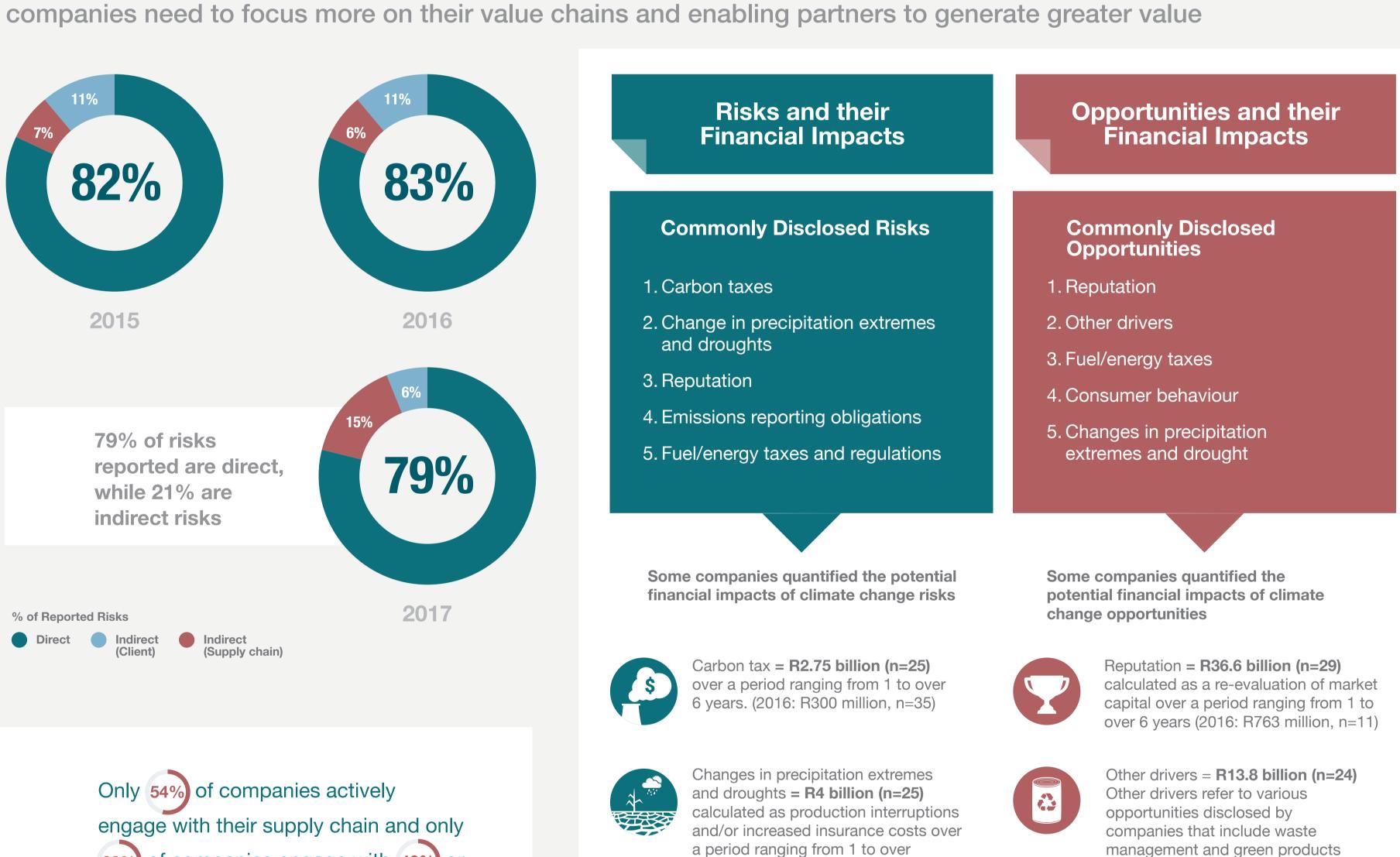


The consideration of risk versus opportunity is still dominated by direct risks and direct opportunities;



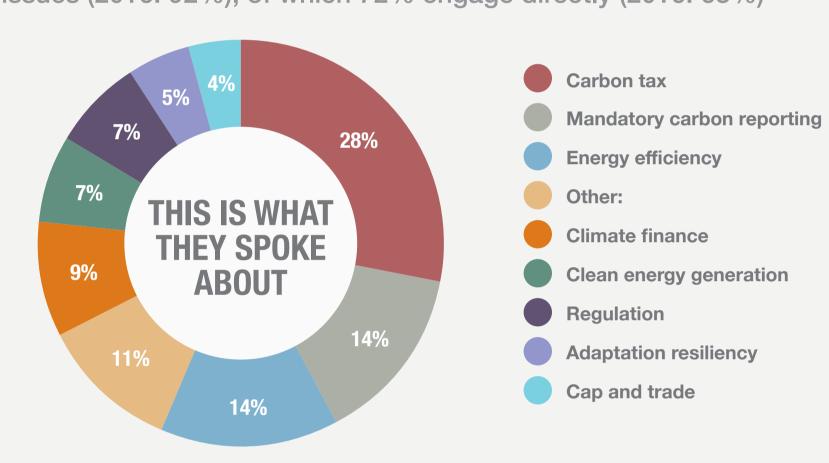
Only 54% of companies actively engage with their supply chain and only of companies engage with 40% or more of their suppliers by spend

Only 57% of responders indicate that their products and services directly enable third parties to avoid GHG emissions**

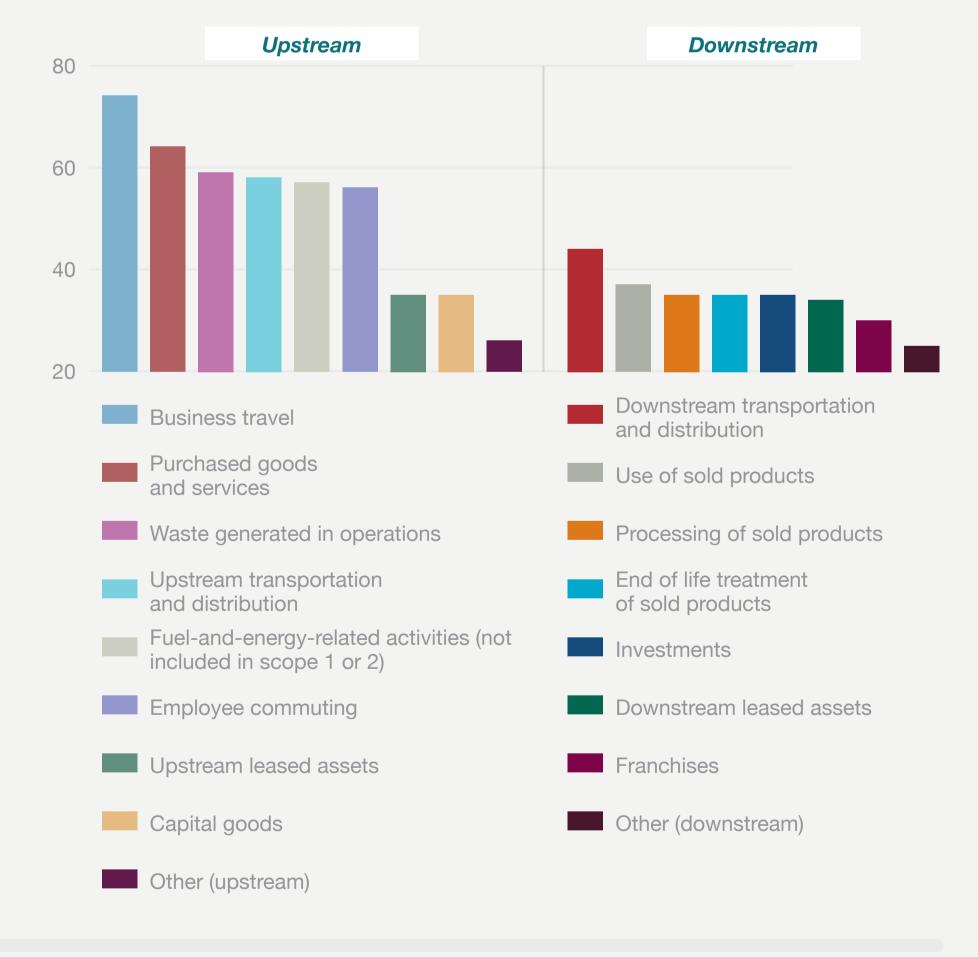


and services

92% of companies engage with Government on climate change issues (2016: 92%), of which 72% engage directly (2016: 63%)

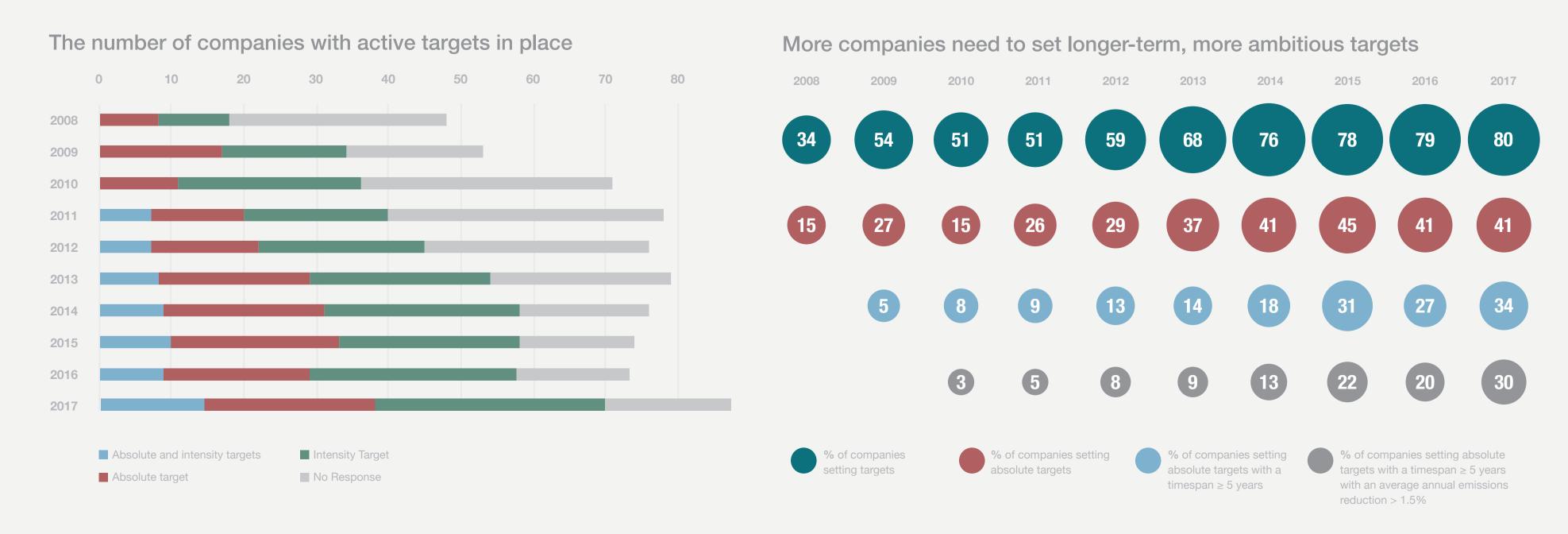


Companies report scope 3 emissions more robustly for upstream emissions than for downstream (suggesting an approach that is more supply chain focussed rather than customer-centric)



A key step in unlocking value is deliberate long-term planning and should be catalysed by target-led investment Target setting is insufficiently long term and insufficiently focussed on absolute reductions

6 years (2016: R2 billion, n=18)



80% of all targets expire in 2020



of companies that integrate climate change into risk management indicate considering timelines beyond 6 years



of companies that integrate climate change into strategy link their strategy to explicit mitigation targets and indicate an example of a substantial number of business decisions influenced by climate change

**These figures have been obtained from CDP GLOBAL datasets. Refer to the NBI's CDP 2017 Executive Summary for details on their methodology that differs slightly to that of the NBI's

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