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### Key bottlenecks up to 2030: The state of play

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#### Key Ratios:

- **H₂-ready DRI announcements (cumulative):** 150 [Mt]
- **H₂-ready DRI final investment decisions (cumulative):** 100%
- **Annual DRI construction capacity:** 40 [Mt/year] (75%)
- **Low-carbon H₂ announcements (steel sector allocation):** 5 [Mt/year] (6%)
- **Low-carbon H₂ final investment decisions (all sectors):** 36 [Mt/year] (89%)
- **Additional DR-Grade Pellets:** 125 [Mt/year] (67%)

#### Progress towards 2030 target (1.5°C):

- **Gap to 1.5°C compatible 2030 target**
- **Current 2030 pipeline**
- **Status quo today**

- **On track**
- **Promising, yet insufficient progress**
- **Not on track**

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