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Abstract:	This report is Denmark's National Inventory Report 2026, which serves as documentation for the Danish greenhouse gas inventories submitted to the European Union and the United Nations. The report contains information on Denmark's emission inventories for all years from 1990 to 2024 for CO_2, CH_4, N_2O, HFCs, PFCs and SF_6.

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List of abbreviations

BAT	Best Available Techniques
CH_4	Methane
CHP	Combined Heat and Power
CHR	Central Husbandry Register
CLRTAP	Convention on Long-Range Transboundary Air Pollution
CO	Carbon monoxide
CO_2	Carbon dioxide
COPERT	COmputer Programme to calculate Emissions from Road Transport
CORINAIR	CORe INventory on AIR emissions
CRF	Common Reporting Format
DAAS	Danish Agricultural Advisory Service
DAFA	Danish AgriFish Agency
DCA	Danish Centre for food and Agriculture
DCE	Danish Centre for Environment and energy
DEA	Danish Energy Agency
DEPA	Danish Environmental Protection Agency
DST	Statistics Denmark
EEA	European Environment Agency
EF	Emission Factor
EIONET	European Environment Information and Observation Network
EMEP	European Monitoring and Evaluation Programme
ENVS	Department of ENVironmental Science, Aarhus University
EU ETS	European Union Emission Trading Scheme
FSE	Full Scale Equivalent
GE	Gross Energy
GHG	Greenhouse gas
GWP	Global Warming Potential
HFCs	Hydrofluorocarbons
IDA	Integrated Database model for Agricultural emissions
IEF	Implied Emission Factor
IGN	Department of Geosciences and Natural Resource Management, Copenhagen University
IPCC	Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change
KCA	Key Category Analysis
LPG	Liquefied Petroleum Gas
LRTAP	Long-Range Transboundary Air Pollution
LTO	Landing and Take Off
LULUCF	Land Use, Land-Use Change and Forestry
MCF	Methane Conversion Factor
MSW	Municipal Solid Waste
N_2O	Nitrous oxide
NF_3	Nitrogen trifluoride
NFI	National Forest Inventory
NFR	Nomenclature For Reporting
NH_3	Ammonia
NIR	National Inventory Report
NMVOC	Non-Methane Volatile Organic Compounds
NO_x	Nitrogen Oxides
PFCs	Perfluorocarbons
QA	Quality Assurance

QC	Quality Control
SCR	Selective Catalytic Reduction
SF_6	Sulphur hexafluoride
SNAP	Selected Nomenclature for Air Pollution
SO_2	Sulphur dioxide
SWDS	Solid Waste Disposal Sites
UNECE	United Nations Economic Commission for Europe
UNFCCC	United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change
VS	Volatile Solids
WWTP	WasteWater Treatment Plant

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Executive summary

ES.1 Background information on greenhouse gas inventories and climate change

ES.1.1 Reporting

This report is Denmark's National Inventory Document (NID) 2026 for submission to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change due April 15, 2026. The report contains detailed information about Denmark's inventories for all years from 1990 to 2024. The main difference between Denmark's NIR 2026 report to the European Commission, due March 15, 2026, and this report to the UNFCCC is reporting of territories. The NID 2026 to the EU Commission was for Denmark, while this NID 2026 to the UNFCCC is for Denmark, Greenland and the Faroe Islands. The report includes detailed and complete information on the inventories for all years from year 1990 to the year 2024, in order to ensure transparency.

The annual emission inventories for the years from 1990 to 2024 are reported in the Common Reporting Tables (CRT). Within this submission, the CRTs reported are consistent with the current NDC for Denmark, i.e. covering the territorial scope of Denmark only and not including Greenland and the Faroe Islands. The CRT spreadsheets contain data on emissions, activity data and implied emission factors for each year. Emission trends are given for each greenhouse gas and for total greenhouse gas emissions in CO_2 equivalents. In addition to the CRT for Denmark, a CRT has also been produced for the Kingdom of Denmark corresponding to the geographical scope under the Convention.

The issues addressed in this report are: trends in greenhouse gas emissions, description of each emission category of the CRT, uncertainty estimates, explanations on recalculations, planned improvements and procedure for quality assurance and control. The information presented in Chapters 2-10 refers to Denmark (EU and NDC scope) only. Specific information regarding the submission of Greenland and the Faroe Islands is included in Chapter 11 and 12, respectively.

In the report, English notation is used: "." (full stop) for decimal sign and mostly space for division of thousands. The English notation for division of thousand as "," (comma) is not used due to the risk of being misinterpreted by Danish readers.

ES.1.2 Institutions responsible

On behalf of the Ministry of the Environment and Gender Equality and the Ministry of Climate, Energy and Utilities, the Danish Centre for Environment and Energy (DCE), Aarhus University, is responsible for the calculation and reporting of the Danish national emission inventory to EU, the UNFCCC (United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change) and the UNECE LRTAP (Long Range Transboundary Air Pollution) conventions. Hence, DCE prepares and publishes the annual submission for Denmark to the EU and UNFCCC of the National Inventory Report and the greenhouse gas (GHG) inventories in the Common Reporting Format, in accordance with the UNFCCC guidelines. Furthermore, DCE is responsible for reporting the national inventory for the Kingdom of Denmark to the UNFCCC.

DCE participates in international negotiations when reporting issues are discussed in the regime of UNFCCC and EU (Governance regulation).

The work concerning the annual greenhouse gas emission inventory is carried out in cooperation with Danish ministries, research institutes, organisations and companies. The Government of Greenland is responsible for finalising and transferring the inventory for Greenland to DCE. The Faroe Islands Environmental Agency is responsible for finalising and transferring the inventory for the Faroe Islands to DCE.

ES.1.3 Greenhouse gases

The greenhouse gases reported are those under the UN Climate Convention:

- Carbon dioxide CO_2
- Methane CH_4
- Nitrous oxide N_2O
- Hydrofluorocarbons HFCs
- Perfluorocarbons PFCs
- Sulphur hexafluoride SF_6
- Nitrogen trifluoride NF_3

The global warming potential (GWP) for various greenhouse gases has been defined as the warming effect over a given time frame of a given weight of a specific substance relative to the same weight of CO_2. The purpose of this measure is to be able to compare and integrate the effects of the individual greenhouse gases on the global climate. Typical lifetimes in the atmosphere of greenhouse gases are very different, e.g. approximately 12 and 109 years for CH_4 and N_2O, respectively. So, the time perspective clearly plays a decisive role. The timeframe chosen is typically 100 years. The effect of the various greenhouse gases can then be converted into the equivalent quantity of CO_2, i.e. the quantity of CO_2 giving the same effect in absorbing solar radiation. According to the IPCC Fifth Assessment Report, which has been used from this submission and will be used by all Parties in the reporting under the Paris Agreement, the global warming potentials for a 100-year time horizon are:

- Carbon dioxide (CO_2): 1
- Methane (CH_4): 28
- Nitrous oxide (N_2O): 265

Based on weight and a 100-year period, CH_4 is thus 28 times more powerful a greenhouse gas than CO_2 and N_2O is 265 times more powerful than CO_2. Some of the other greenhouse gases (hydrofluorocarbons, perfluorocarbons and sulphur hexafluoride) have considerably higher global warming potentials. For example, sulphur hexafluoride has a global warming potential of 23 500. The values for global warming potential used in this report are those prescribed by UNFCCC. The indirect greenhouse gases reported are nitrogen oxides (NO_x), carbon monoxide (CO), non-methane volatile organic compounds (NMVOC) and sulphur dioxide (SO_2).

ES.2 Summary of national emission and removal trends

Summary ES.2-4 refers to the inventory for Denmark only. The inventories for Greenland and the Faroe Islands are described in Chapter 11 and 12, re-

spectively. The emissions from Greenland and the Faroe Islands are minor compared to the emissions from Denmark and shows limited fluctuations.

ES.2.1 Greenhouse gas emissions inventory

The greenhouse gas emissions are estimated according to the IPCC guidelines and are aggregated into five main sectors. The greenhouse gases include CO_2, CH_4, N_2O, HFCs, PFCs, SF_6 and NF_3. Unless otherwise specified in the text, the national total is including LULUCF and indirect CO_2. Figure ES.1 shows the estimated total greenhouse gas emissions in CO_2 equivalents from 1990 to 2024. The emissions are not corrected for electricity trade or temperature variations.

CO_2 is the most important greenhouse gas contributing in 2024 to the national total in CO_2 equivalents with 62.6%, followed by CH_4 with 23.3 %, N_2O with 13.3 %, and f-gases (HFCs, PFCs, SF_6 and NF_3) with 0.8 %. The energy sector and agricultural sector represent the largest sources, followed by industrial processes and product use, waste, LULUCF and indirect CO_2, see Figure ES.1. The total national greenhouse gas emission in CO_2 equivalents has decreased by 53.3 % from 1990 to 2024.

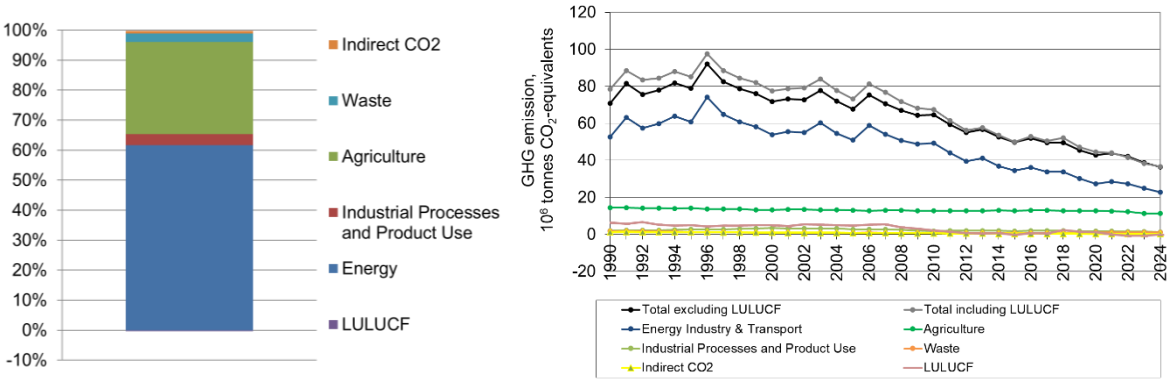


Figure ES.1 Greenhouse gas emissions in CO_2 equivalents distributed on main sectors for 2024 (excluding LULUCF and indirect CO_2) and time series for 1990 to 2024.

ES.3 Overview of source and sink category emission estimates and trends

ES.3.1 Greenhouse gas emissions inventory

Energy

The emission from the energy sector in 2024 covers 62.0 % of the total emission in CO_2 equivalents. The emission of CO_2 equivalents from energy industries (CRF 1A1) has decreased by 76.7 % from 1990 to 2024. The relatively large fluctuations in the emission through the time-series 1990-2024 is due to inter-country electricity trade. Thus, the high emissions in 1991, 1996, 2003 and 2006 reflect a large electricity export and the low emission in 1990, 2005, 2008, 2011 and 2012 is due to import of electricity. In general, CO_2 emissions are decreasing due to a lower consumption of fossil fuels and a higher electricity production based on renewable energy, mainly wind power.

The increasing emission of CH_4 is due to the increasing use of gas engines in decentralised cogeneration plants. However, in later years the CH_4 emission has decreased due to less use of natural gas in gas engines. The CH_4 emission from residential combustion (mainly wood) increased as a result of increased use of wood. However, the wood consumption has decreased sub-

stantially over the last years, and hence the emission is decreasing. The emission of CO_2 equivalents from the transport sector (CRF 1A3) increased by 0.6 % from 1990 to 2024, mainly due to increasing road traffic. However, emissions from transport peaked in 2018 and is expected to continue to decrease as more electric vehicles enter the fleet replacing fossil fuel powered vehicles. A large decrease in transport emissions occurred between 2019 and 2020, which can to a large extend be attributed to the restrictions to mobility in battling the COVID-19 pandemic.

Industrial processes and product use

The emissions from industrial processes and product use, i.e. emissions from processes other than fuel combustion, amount in 2024 to 3.7 % of the total emission in CO_2 equivalents. The main sources are cement production and f-gases used in refrigeration and air conditioning.

The largest source is CO_2 emissions from cement production, which in 2024 contributes with 869.6 kt CO_2, i.e. 2.4 % of the national greenhouse gas emissions. The CO_2 emission from cement production has increased by 12.3 % since 1990 but shows significant fluctuations during the time-series. The second largest source is the emission from consumption of HFCs mainly from refrigeration and air condition equipment. This source contributes with 269.1 kt CO_2 equivalents, i.e. 0.7 % of the national total. Historically (1990-2004), the emission of N_2O from the production of nitric acid has been the second largest source (after cement), with up to 1002.5 kt CO_2 equivalents (1990). However, the production of nitric acid ceased in 2004, which reduced the N_2O emission from industrial processes drastically.

Agriculture

The agricultural sector contributes in 2024 with 31.0 % of the total emission in CO_2 equivalents and the major part is related to the livestock production. Since 1990, the agricultural emission has decreased 21.7 % mainly due to a decrease in the N_2O emission.

In 2024, the agricultural sector accounts for 81.4 % of the total CH_4 emission. Since 1990, the emission of CH_4 from enteric fermentation has decreased by 10.7 %, which is mainly due to the decrease in the number of dairy cattle. However, the emission from manure management has in the same period increased 3.6 %, which is mainly driven by a change from traditional housing systems towards slurry-based housing systems, but with more biogas treatment and slurry acidification in the more recent years reducing emissions. In total, the CH_4 emission from the agriculture sector 1990 – 2024 has decreased by 4.9 %.

In 2024, the agricultural sector accounts for 86.2 % of the total N_2O emission. Since 1990, the N_2O emission has decreased 35.9 %. A string of measures has been introduced by action plans to prevent the loss of nitrogen from agriculture to the aquatic environment. These actions have brought a decrease in animal nitrogen excretion, improvement in use of nitrogen in manure and a fall in the use of inorganic N fertiliser, which all have led to reductions of the N_2O emission.

Land use, Land-use change and forestry

The total sector has been estimated to be a net source of 0.8 % of the total Danish emission incl. LULUCF (average previous 10 years (2015-2024) (variation -1.9-4.5 % depending on year). The average emission over the past 10

years (2015-2024) has been estimated to 436 kt CO_2-eq. with a removal of 116 kt CO_2 equivalents in 2024. Emissions/removals from the sector fluctuate based on specific conditions in the given year. In general, the forest sector is a net sink or around in its equilibrium state, while Cropland and Grassland are net sources. The latter due to a large area with drained organic soils. CO_2 emissions from drained organic soils within cropland and grassland accounts for 7.2 % of the total Danish emission in 2024.

In 2024, Forest land has been estimated to be a net sink of 9.5 % of the total Danish emission whereas Cropland has been estimated to be a net source of 4.9 % of the total Danish emission. Grassland is a net source contributing to 3.0 % of the total Danish emission, also due to a large area with drained organic soils. Emissions from Cropland and Grassland have shown a continuous decrease since 1990. However, large variations occur between years.

Waste

The waste sector contributes in 2024 to 2.8 % of the total emission in CO_2 equivalents. The emission from the sector has decreased by 42.7 % since 1990. Historically, the most important activity in the sector is solid waste disposal on land. In 2024, the emissions contributed by 20.7 % of the sectoral total GHG emission. The CH_4 emission from solid waste disposal has been decreasing since 1990 by 83.4 % due to banning of deposing organic waste and an overall decrease in waste deposited because waste has increasingly been used for power and heat production and/or recycled.

Biological treatment of solid waste (5.B) has in the later years become the largest contributor to the sectoral total GHG emission. It contributes to the sectoral total in CO_2 equivalents in 2024 with 55.5 %. The emissions from biological treatment of solid waste have increased by 1618 % for CH_4 and 247 % for N_2O since 1990, due to an increase in the number of biogas plants and the amount of biowaste composted in Denmark.

Wastewater handling contributes to the sectoral total in CO_2 equivalents in 2024 with 22.0 %. The CH_4 emissions from wastewater handling have decreased by 58.9 % from 1990 to 2024 while the N_2O emission has decreased by 37.4 %.

Since all incinerated waste (municipal, industrial, hazardous) is used for power and heat production, the emissions are included in the 1A1a category.

ES.4 Other information

ES.4.1 Quality assurance and quality control

A plan for Quality Assurance (QA) and Quality Control (QC) in greenhouse gas emission inventories is included in the report. The plan is in accordance with the guidelines provided by the UNFCCC (Good Practice Guidance and Uncertainty Management in National Greenhouse Gas Inventories and Guidelines for National Systems). ISO 9000 standards are also used as an important input for the plan.

The plan comprises a framework for documenting and reporting emissions in a way that emphasize transparency, consistency, comparability, completeness and accuracy. To fulfil these high criteria, the data structure describes the pathway, from the collection of raw data to data compilation and modelling and finally reporting.

As part of the Quality Assurance (QA) activities, emission inventory sector reports are being prepared and sent for review to national experts not involved in the inventory development. To date, the reviews have been completed for the stationary combustion plants sector, the fugitive emissions from fuels sector, the transport sector, the solvents and other product use sector and the agricultural sector. In order to evaluate the Danish emission inventories, a project where emission levels and emission factors are compared with those in other countries has been conducted.

ES.4.2 Completeness

The Danish greenhouse gas emission inventories include all sources identified by the revised IPPC guidelines.

Please see Annex 5 for more information.

ES.4.3 Recalculations and improvements

Recalculations and improvements are continuously made to the inventory. The sector-specific recalculations and improvements are documented in the sectoral chapters of this report (Chapter 3-7) and a general overview is provided in Chapter 9.

Sammenfatning

S.1 Baggrund for opgørelse af drivhusgasemissioner og klimaændringer

S.1.1 Rapporteringen

Denne rapport er Danmarks årlige rapport – den såkaldte Nationale Inventory Document (NID) for 2026. Rapporten beskriver drivhusgasopgørelsen som bliver fremsendt til FN's konvention om klimaændringer (UNFCCC) senest d. 15. april 2026. Rapporten indeholder detaljerede informationer om Danmarks drivhusgasudslip for alle år fra 1990 til 2024. Forskellen mellem Danmarks NID 2026 som blev fremsendt til EU-Kommissionen den 15. marts 2026 og denne rapport til UNFCCC, vedrører det territorium rapporteringen omfatter. NID 2026 til EU-Kommissionen omfatter Danmark, mens NID 2026 til UNFCCC omfatter Danmark, Grønland og Færøerne. I praksis er forskellen inkluderingen af kapitel 11-13 i NID'en til UNFCCC. For at sikre at opgørelserne er sammenhængende og gennemskuelige, indeholder rapporten detaljerede oplysninger om opgørelsesmetoder og baggrundsdata for alle årene fra 1990 og til 2024.

Denne emissionsopgørelse for årene 1990 til 2024 er rapporteret i formatet Common Reporting Tables (CRT) som Klimakonventionen foreskriver anvendt. I denne rapportering er CRT-tabellerne, der er rapporteret konsistente med Danmarks NDC (Nationally Determined Contribution), som kun dækker Danmark. CRT-tabellerne indeholder oplysninger om emissioner, aktivitetsdata og emissionsfaktorer for hvert år, emissionsudvikling for de enkelte drivhusgasser samt den totale drivhusgasemission i CO_2-ækvivalenter. I tillæg til CRT'en for Danmark er der udarbejdet en samlet CRT for Kongeriget Danmark svarende til den geografiske definition under UNFCCC.

Følgende emner er beskrevet i rapporten: Udviklingen i drivhusgasemissionerne, metoder mv. som anvendes til opgørelserne i de emissionskategorier som findes i CRT-formatet, usikkerheder, genberegninger, planlagte forbedringer og procedure for kvalitetssikring og –kontrol. Teksten i kapitel 2-10 omhandler kun Danmark som omfattet af EU. Oplysninger om emissionsopgørelsen for Grønland og Færøerne er inkluderet i henholdsvis kapitel 11 og 12.

Denne rapport indeholder ikke det fulde sæt af CRT-tabeller. Det fulde sæt af CRT-tabeller er tilgængelige på EIONET, som er det Europæiske Miljøagenturs rapporterings-internetsite:
http://cdr.eionet.europa.eu/dk/Air_Emission_Inventories

Med hensyn til gengivelsen af tal i CRT-formatet, gøres opmærksom på at det er med dansk notation: "," (komma) for decimaladskillelse og "." (punktum) til adskillelse af tusinder. I rapporten, er den engelske notation brugt: "." (punktum) for decimaltegn og for det meste mellemrum for adskillelse af tusinder. Den engelske notation for adskillelse af tusinder med "," (komma) er for det meste ikke brugt på grund af risikoen for fejltolkninger for danske læsere.

S.1.2 Ansvarlige institutioner

DCE - Nationalt Center for Miljø og Energi ved Aarhus Universitet er på vegne af Miljøministeriet samt Klima-, Energi- og Forsyningsministeriet ansvarlig for udregning og afrapportering af den nationale emissionsopgørelse til EU og til UNFCCC (FN's konvention om klimaændringer) såvel som til UNECE-konventionen om langtransporteret grænseoverskridende luftforurening. Som følge heraf, er DCE ansvarlig for udførelse og publicering af opgørelserne af drivhusgasemissioner og den årlige rapportering til EU og UNFCCC for Danmark. Ydermere er DCE ansvarlig for rapportering af drivhusgasemissionsopgørelser til Klimakonventionen for Kongeriget Danmark (Færøerne, Grønland og Danmark). DCE deltager desuden i arbejdet i regi af Klimakonventionen og Parisaftalen, hvor retningslinjer for rapportering diskuteres og vedtages og i EU's arbejdsgruppe for opgørelse af drivhusgasemissioner, hvor retningslinjer for rapportering til EU reguleres.

Arbejdet med de årlige opgørelser udføres i samarbejde med andre danske ministerier, forskningsinstitutioner, organisationer og private virksomheder. Grønlands Klima- og Infrastrukturstyrelse er ansvarlig for levering af opgørelser for Grønland til DCE. Færøernes miljømyndighed (Umhvørvisstovan) er ansvarlig for de færøske opgørelser.

S.1.3 Drivhusgasser

Til Klimakonventionen rapporteres følgende drivhusgasser:

- Kuldioxid CO_2
- Metan CH_4
- Lattergas N_2O
- Hydrofluorcarboner HFC'er
- Perfluorcarboner PFC'er
- Svovlhexafluorid SF_6
- Nitrogentrifluorid NF_3

Det globale opvarmningspotentiale, på engelsk Global Warming Potential (GWP), udtrykker klimapåvirkningen over en nærmere angivet tid af en vægtenhed af en given drivhusgas relativt til samme vægtenhed af CO_2. Drivhusgasser har forskellige karakteristiske levetider i atmosfæren, således for CH_4 ca. 12 år og for N_2O ca. 109 år. Derfor spiller tidshorisonten en afgørende rolle for størrelsen af GWP. Typisk vælges 100 år. Herefter kan effekten af de forskellige drivhusgasser omregnes til en ækvivalent mængde CO_2, dvs. til den mængde CO_2 der vil give samme klimapåvirkning. Til rapporteringen til Klimakonventionen, er der fra dette års aflevering anvendt GWP-værdier for en 100-årig tidshorisont ifølge IPCC's femte hovedrapport og disse vil blive anvendt af alle lande i rapporteringen under Parisaftalen:

- Kuldioxid, CO_2: 1
- Metan, CH_4: 28
- Lattergas, N_2O: 265

Regnet efter vægt og over en 100-årig periode, er metan således ca. 28 og lattergas ca. 265 gange så effektive drivhusgasser som kuldioxid. For andre drivhusgasser, der indgår i rapporteringen, de såkaldte F-gasser (HFC, PFC, SF_6, NF_3) findes væsentlig højere GWP-værdier. Under Klimakonventionen er der ligeledes vedtaget GWP-værdier for disse baseret på IPCC's anbefalinger. Således har f.eks. SF_6 en GWP-værdi på 23 500.

Endvidere rapporteres de indirekte drivhusgasser kvælstofilte (NO_x), kulilte (CO), ikke-metan flygtige organiske forbindelser (NMVOC) og svovldioxid (SO_2).

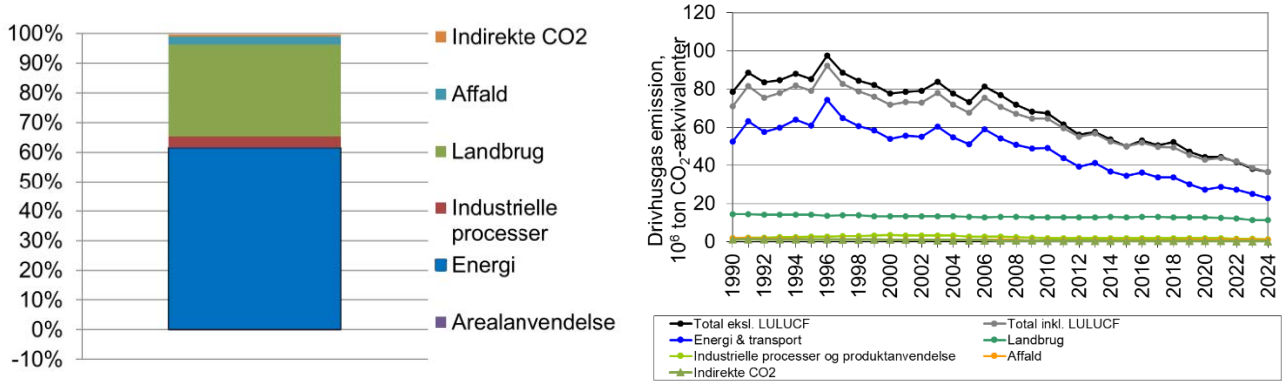
S.2 Udviklingen i drivhusgasemissioner og optag

Sammenfatning S.2.-4. omhandler alene opgørelsen for Danmark. Opgørelsen for Grønland samt for Færøerne beskrives i kapitel 11 og 12.

S.2.1 Drivhusgasemissionsopgørelse

De danske opgørelser af drivhusgasemissioner følger metoderne som beskrevet i IPCC's retningslinjer. Opgørelserne er opdelt i fem overordnede sektorer. Drivhusgasserne omfatter CO_2, CH_4, N_2O og F-gasserne: HFC'er, PFC'er, SF_6 og NF_3. Medmindre andet er angivet, så er den nationale totale emission angivet inklusiv LULUCF og inklusiv indirekte CO_2. I figur S.1 ses de estimerede drivhusgasemissioner for Danmark i CO_2-ækvivalenter for perioden 1990 til 2024. Figuren viser Danmarks totale udledning med og uden LULUCF-sektoren (Land Use and Land Use Change and Forestry). Til venstre i figur S.1 ses det relative bidrag til Danmarks totale udledning i 2024 for hovedsektorerne. I overensstemmelse med retningslinjerne for opgørelserne er emissionerne ikke korrigerede for handel med elektricitet med andre lande og temperatursvingninger fra år til år.

CO_2 er den vigtigste drivhusgas og bidrager i 2024 med 62,6 % af den nationale totale udledning med LULUCF-sektoren og indirekte CO_2, efterfulgt af CH_4 med 23,3 % og N_2O med 13,3 %, mens HFC'er, PFC'er og SF_6 kun udgør 0,8 % af de totale emissioner. Med hensyn til sektorerne (figur S.1), så bidrager energi og landbrug mest i 2024 (figur S.1). LULUCF-sektoren var et nettooptag i 2024. Den nationale totale drivhusgasemission i CO_2-ækvivalenter er faldet med 53,3 % fra 1990 til 2024.



Figur S.1 Danske drivhusgasemissioner. Bidrag til total emission fra hovedsektorer for 2024 og tidsserier i CO_2-ækvivalenter for 1990-2024, hvor data er angivet med og uden LULUCF.

S.3 Oversigt over drivhusgasemissioner og optag fra sektorer

S.3.1 Drivhusgasemissionsopgørelse

Energi

Emissionen fra energisektoren udgjorde i 2024 62,0 % af den samlede drivhusgasemission udtrykt i CO_2-ækvivalenter. Drivhusgasemissionen fra energisektoren (CRT 1A1) er faldet med 76,7 % fra 1990 til 2024. De relativt store udsving i emissionerne fra år til år skyldes handel med elektricitet med andre lande, herunder særligt de nordiske. De høje emissioner i 1991, 1996,

2003 og 2006 er et resultat af stor eksport af elektricitet, mens de lave emissioner i 1990, 2005, 2008, 2011 og 2012 skyldes import af elektricitet. Den væsentligste årsag til den faldende tendens er faldende fossilt brændselsforbrug, hovedsageligt for kul og naturgas.

Udledningen af CH_4 fra energiproduktion har været stigende på grund af øget anvendelse af gasmotorer, som har en stor CH_4-emission i forhold til andre forbrændingsteknologier. Anvendelsen af gasmotorer er dog blevet mindre siden liberaliseringen af elmarkedet, hvilket har ført til lavere CH_4-emissioner fra energisektoren. CH_4-emissionen fra husholdninger er steget på grund af et stigende forbrug af brænde i ovne og kedler. Fra 2016, er træforbruget dog faldet væsentligt, hvilket har reduceret emissionen. Transportsektorens drivhusgasemissioner er steget med 0,3 % siden 1990, hovedsagelig på grund af voksende vejtrafik. Emissionen fra transportsektoren toppede i 2018 og forventes at falde yderligere i de kommende år i takt med at elbiler fortrænger benzin- og dieselbiler. Et betydeligt fald i emissionerne fra transport fandt sted mellem 2019 og 2020, hvilket i vid udstrækning kan tilskrives restriktioner i forbindelse med COVID-19-pandemien.

Industrielle processer og produktanvendelse

Emissionen fra industrielle processer og produktanvendelse – hvilket vil sige andre processer end forbrændingsprocesser – udgør i 2024 3,7 % af de totale danske drivhusgasemissioner. De vigtigste kilder er cementproduktion, og fluorerede gasser anvendt i kølesystemer.

CO_2-emissionen fra cementproduktion - som er den største kilde - bidrager med 869,6 kt CO_2 svarende til 2,4 % af den totale emission i 2024. Emissionen fra cementproduktion er steget med 12,3 % siden 1990. Den andenstørste kilde er emission af HFC'er i forbindelse med køling og aircondition. Denne kilde bidrog i 2024 med 269,1 kt CO_2-ækvivalenter svarende til 0,7 % af den nationale total. Tidligere (1990-2004) var den andenstørste kilde N_2O fra produktion af salpetersyre med op til 1002,5 kt CO_2-ækvivalenter (1990). Produktionen af salpetersyre stoppede i midten af 2004, hvilket betød, at N_2O-emissionen fra industrielle processer og produktanvendelse faldt drastisk.

Landbrug

Landbrugssektoren bidrager i 2024 med 31.0 % af den totale drivhusgasemission i CO_2-ækvivalenter og er den vigtigste sektor, hvad angår emissioner af N_2O og CH_4. Siden 1990, er drivhusgasemissionen fra landbruget faldet med 21,7 %. Faldet skyldes hovedsageligt et fald i emissionen af N_2O.

I 2024 bidrog landbruget med 81,4 % af den totale emission af CH_4. Siden 1990, er emissionen af CH_4 fra husdyrenes fordøjelsessystem faldet med 10.7 % hovedsageligt grundet et faldende antal kvæg. Emissionen fra gødningshåndtering er dog i samme periode steget med 3,6 %. Dette skyldes, at der er sket en overgang fra traditionelle staldsystemer med fast gødning til flere gyllebaserede staldsystemer med højere emissioner, samtidig er der indført tiltag til reduktion af emissionerne, f.eks. biogasbehandling, som har bidraget til at reducere emissionerne. Samlet set er CH_4-emissionen fra landbrug faldet med 4,9 % siden 1990.

I 2024 bidrager landbruget med 86,2 % af den totale emission af N_2O. Siden 1990, er N_2O-emissionen faldet med 35,9 %, hvilket skyldes en lang række virkemidler med formål at begrænse tabet af kvælstof til vandmiljøet. Dette

har medført et fald i udskillelsen af kvælstof fra husdyr, bedre udnyttelse af kvælstoffet i husdyrgødningen samt et fald i anvendelsen af handelsgødning. Disse ting har alle ført til en reduceret emission af N_2O.

Arealanvendelse - skove og jorder (LULUCF)

Sektoren som helhed er estimeret til at være en nettoudledning på 0,8 % af den samlede danske emission, inklusiv LULUCF (gennemsnit for de seneste 10 år (2015-2024), variation mellem -1,9 og 4,5 % afhængig af år). Den gennemsnitlige emission over de seneste 10 år (2015-2024) er beregnet til 436 kt CO_2-ækvivalenter med et optag på 116 kt CO_2-ækvivalenter i 2024. Emissioner/optag fra sektoren fluktuerer baseret på de forhold (især klimatiske) i det enkelte år. Generelt har skov været et nettooptag, mens landbrugsjorde og græsarealer har været nettokilder. Grunden til at landbrug og græsarealer har været kilder er et betydeligt areal med drænede organiske jorde. Emissionen fra drænede organiske jorde i landbrug og græs udgør 7,2 % ad den samlede danske drivhusgasemission i 2024.

I 2024 er skove opgjort til at være et netto optag svarende til 9,5 % af den samlede emission, hvorimod landbrugsarealer er opgjort til en nettoudledning på 4,9 % og græsarealer en nettoudledning på 3,0 % af den samlede drivhusgasudledning.

Affald

Affaldssektoren bidrager i 2024 med 2,8 % af den samlede drivhusgasemission. Emissionen fra sektoren er faldet med 42,7 % siden 1990. Historisk set har den vigtigste aktivitet inden for sektoren været affaldsdeponier, som i 2024 står for 20,7 % af sektorens drivhusgasemissioner.CH_4-emissionen fra deponier er faldet med 83,4 % siden 1990, hvilket skyldes et forbud mod deponering af forbrændingsegnet affald og et generelt fald i mængderne af deponeret affald pga. stigende affaldsforbrænding og genanvendelse.

Biologisk behandling af affald er i de senere år blevet den størst kilde til affaldssektorens drivhusgasemissioner. Kategorien bidrager med 55,5 % af sektorens emissioner i 2024. Emissionerne fra biologisk affaldsbehandling er steget kraftigt siden 1990 – CH_4 er steget med 1618 % og N_2O med 247 %. Dette skyldes den stigende popularitet af kompostering og biogasbehandling som affaldsbehandlingsmetoder.

Spildevandsbehandling bidrager til sektorens samlede emission med 22,0 % i 2024. CH_4-emissionen fra spildevandsbehandling er faldet med 58,9 % siden 1990 mens N_2O-emissionen er faldet med 37,4 %.

Siden al affaldsforbrænding (husholdnings- og industriaffald samt farligt affald) udnyttes til produktion af varme og/eller elektricitet, så er emissionerne inkluderet under energisektoren, nærmere bestemt kategori 1A1a.

S.4 Andre informationer

S.4.1 Kvalitetssikring og - kontrol

Rapporten indeholder en plan for kvalitetssikring og -kontrol af emissionsopgørelserne. Kvalitetsplanen bygger på IPCC's retningslinjer og ISO 9000-standarderne. Planen skaber rammer for dokumentation og rapportering af emissionerne, så opgørelserne er gennemskuelige, konsistente, sammenlignelige, komplette og nøjagtige. For at opfylde disse kriterier, understøtter

datastrukturen arbejdsgangen fra indsamling af data til sammenstilling, modellering og til sidst rapportering af data.

Som en del af kvalitetssikringen, udarbejdes der for emissionskilderne rapporter, der detaljeret beskriver og dokumenterer anvendte data og beregningsmetoder. Disse rapporter evalueres af personer uden for Aarhus Universitet, der har høj faglig ekspertise inden for det pågældende område, men som ikke direkte er involveret i arbejdet med opgørelserne. Indtil nu er rapporter for stationære forbrændingsanlæg, transport og landbrug blevet evalueret. Desuden er der gennemført et projekt, hvor de danske opgørelsesmetoder, emissionsfaktorer og usikkerheder sammenlignes med andre landes, for yderligere at verificere rigtigheden af opgørelserne.

S.4.2 Fuldstændighed i forhold til IPCC's retningslinjer for kilder og gasser

De danske opgørelser af drivhusgasemissioner indeholder alle de kilder, der er beskrevet i IPCC's retningslinjer.

I anneks 5 er der flere informationer om fuldstændigheden af den danske drivhusgasopgørelse.

S. 4.3 Genberegninger og forbedringer

Genberegninger og forbedringer bliver løbende udført i forbindelse med emissionsopgørelserne. De sektorspecifikke genberegninger og forbedringer er beskrevet i sektorafsnittene i denne rapport (kapitel 3-7). Et generelt overblik er inkluderet i kapitel 9.

1 Introduction

1.1 Background information on greenhouse gas inventories and climate change

1.1.1 Annual report

This report is Denmark's National Inventory Document (NID) 2026 for submission to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change due April 15, 2026. The report contains detailed information about Denmark's inventories for all years from 1990 to 2024. The main difference between Denmark's NIR 2026 report to the European Commission, due March 15, 2026, and this report to the UNFCCC is reporting of territories. The NID 2026 to the EU Commission was for Denmark, while this NID 2026 to the UNFCCC is for Denmark, Greenland and the Faroe Islands. The report includes detailed and complete information on the inventories for all years from year 1990 to the year 2024, in order to ensure transparency.

The information in the sectoral chapters in this report relates to Denmark only, while information for Greenland is included in Chapter 11 and for the Faroe Islands in Chapter 12.

The issues addressed in this report are trends in greenhouse gas emissions, a description of each IPCC category, uncertainty estimates, recalculations, planned improvements and procedures for quality assurance and control.

The annual emission inventories for the years from 1990 to 2024 are reported in the Common Reporting Tables (CRT) as requested in the reporting guidelines. The CRT-spreadsheets contain data on emissions, activity data and implied emission factors for each year. Emission trends are given for each greenhouse gas and for the total greenhouse gas emissions in CO_2 equivalents.

According to the instrument of ratification, the Danish government has ratified the UNFCCC on behalf of Denmark, Greenland and the Faroe Islands. However, under the Paris Agreement, the NDC only covers Denmark, the CRT submitted therefore reflects this.

This report itself does not contain the full set of CRTs. The full set of CRTs is available at the EIONET, Central Data Repository, kept by the European Environmental Agency:
http://cdr.eionet.europa.eu/dk/Air_Emission_Inventories/Submission_UNFCCC

1.1.2 Greenhouse gases

The greenhouse gases to be reported under the Climate Convention are:

- Carbon dioxide CO_2
- Methane CH_4
- Nitrous Oxide N_2O
- Hydrofluorocarbons HFCs
- Perfluorocarbons PFCs
- Sulphur hexafluoride SF_6
- Nitrogen trifluoride NF_3

The main greenhouse gas responsible for the anthropogenic influence on the heat balance is CO_2. The atmospheric concentration of CO_2 has increased from a pre-industrial value of about 278 ppm to about 410 ppm in 2019 (an increase of about 47 %) (IPCC, 2021) - and exceeds the natural range of 180-300 ppm over the last 650 000 years as determined by ice cores. The main cause for the increase in CO_2 is the use of fossil fuels, but changing land use, including forest clearance, has also been a significant factor. The greenhouse gases CH_4 and N_2O are very much linked to agricultural production; CH_4 has increased from a pre-industrial atmospheric concentration of about 729 ppb to 1866 ppb in 2019 (an increase of about 156 %) and N_2O has increased from a pre-industrial atmospheric concentration of about 270 ppb to 332 ppb in 2019 (an increase of about 23 %) (IPCC, 2021). Changes in the concentrations of greenhouse gases are not related in simple terms to the effect on the heat balance, however. The various gases absorb radiation at different wavelengths and with different efficiency. This must be considered in assessing the effects of changes in the concentrations of various gases. Furthermore, the lifetime of the gases in the atmosphere needs to be taken into account – the longer they remain in the atmosphere, the greater the overall effect. The global warming potential (GWP) for various gases has been defined as the warming effect over a given time of a given weight of a specific substance relative to the same weight of CO_2. The purpose of this measure is to be able to compare and integrate the effects of individual substances on the global climate. Typical lifetimes in the atmosphere of substances are very different, e.g. 12 and 109 years approximately for CH_4 and N_2O, respectively (Smith et al., 2021). Therefore, the time perspective clearly plays a decisive role. The time frame chosen is typically 100 years. The effect of the various greenhouse gases can, then, be converted into the equivalent quantity of CO_2, i.e. the quantity of CO_2 giving the same effect in absorbing solar radiation. According to the IPCC and their Fifth Assessment Report (Myhre et al., 2013), which UNFCCC (UNFCCC, 2018) has decided to use as reference for reporting under the Paris Agreement, the global warming potentials for a 100-year time horizon are:

- Carbon dioxide (CO_2): 1
- Methane (CH_4): 28
- Nitrous oxide (N_2O): 265

Based on weight and a 100-year period, methane is thus 28 times more powerful a greenhouse gas than CO_2, and N_2O is 265 times more powerful. Some of the other greenhouse gases (hydrofluorocarbons, perfluorocarbons and sulphur hexafluoride) have considerably higher global warming potential values. For example, sulphur hexafluoride has a global warming potential of 23 500.

The indirect greenhouse gases reported are nitrogen oxides (NO_x), carbon monoxide (CO), non-methane volatile organic compounds (NMVOC) and sulphur dioxide (SO_2).

1.1.3 The Climate Convention and the Paris Agreement

At the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development in Rio de Janeiro in June 1992, more than 150 countries signed the UNFCCC (the Climate Convention). On the 21st of December 1993, the Climate Convention was ratified by a sufficient number of countries, including Denmark, for it to enter into force on the 21st of March 1994. One of the provisions of the treaty was to stabilise the greenhouse gas emissions from the industrialised nations

by the end of 2000. At the first conference under the UN Climate Convention in March 1995, it was decided that the stabilisation goal was inadequate. At the third conference in December 1997 in Kyoto in Japan, a legally binding agreement was reached committing the industrialised countries to reduce the six greenhouse gases by 5.2 % by 2008-2012 compared with the base year. For F-gases, the countries can choose freely between 1990 and 1995 as the base year. On May 16, 2002, the Danish parliament voted for the Danish ratification of the Kyoto Protocol. Denmark (including Greenland and excluding the Faroe Islands) is, thus, under a legal commitment to meet the requirements of the Kyoto Protocol, when it came into force on the 16th of February 2005. Hence, Denmark (including Greenland) was committed to reduce greenhouse gases with 8 %. The European Union was under the first commitment period of the Kyoto Protocol committed to reduce emissions of greenhouse gases by 8 %. However, within the EU member states have made a political agreement – the Burden Sharing Agreement – on the contributions to be made by each member state to the overall EU reduction level of 8 %.

Under the Burden Sharing Agreement, Denmark (excluding Greenland and the Faroe Islands) had to reduce emissions by an average of 21 % in the period 2008-2012 compared with the base year emission level.

For the second commitment period (2013-2020), the EU had a target of 20 % reduction compared to the base year. The reduction commitment within the EU distinguishes between the emissions covered by the EU Emission Trading System (ETS) and the non-ETS emissions. For the ETS there was a reduction of 24 % in allowances. For the non-ETS emissions, each Member State has a separate target set out in the Effort Sharing Decision, (ESD) (Decision No 406/2009/EC). In the ESD, Denmark had a reduction commitment of 20 % in 2020 compared to the emission level in 2005.

For the period starting in 2021, the EU has implemented its climate action in the non-ETS sectors through the effort sharing regulation (Regulation (EU) 2018/842). Under the ESR EU Member States have binding annual greenhouse gas emission targets for 2021-2030 for those sectors of the economy that fall outside the scope of the EU ETS. These sectors include transport, buildings, agriculture, non-ETS industry and waste. Overall, for the EU, the target is a reduction of 30 % by 2030 compared to 2005. The reduction commitment for Denmark is a reduction of 39 %.

The ESR was amended in 2023 (Regulation (EU) 2023/857) to reflect the EU's increased ambition of reducing total emissions by 55 % by 2030 compared to 1990. Under the amended regulation, Denmark has a reduction target of 50 % in 2030 compared to 2005.

1.1.4 The role of the European Union

The European Union (EU) is a party to the UNFCCC and the Paris Agreement. Therefore, the EU has to submit similar datasets and reports for the collective 27 EU Member States.

The EU imposes some additional guidelines and obligations to the Member States through Regulation (EU) No 2018/1999 on the Governance of the Energy Union and Climate Action. The Implementing Regulation detailing the reporting requirements was decided in 2020 (2020/1208/EU). As mentioned

above the ESR is the legal framework for Member States reduction commitments in the non-ETS sectors.

1.2 A description of the institutional arrangement for inventory preparation

On behalf of the Ministry of Environment and Gender Equality and the Ministry of Climate, Energy and Utilities, the Danish Centre for Environment and Energy (DCE) is responsible for the calculation and reporting of the Danish national emission inventory to the EU, the UNFCCC (United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change) and UNECE CLRTAP (Convention on Long-Range Transboundary Air Pollution). Hence, DCE prepares and publishes the annual submission for Denmark to the EU and UNFCCC of the National Inventory Report and the GHG inventories in the Common Reporting Format, in accordance with the UNFCCC guidelines. Furthermore, DCE is responsible for reporting the national inventory for the Kingdom of Denmark to the UNFCCC.

The work concerning the annual greenhouse gas emission inventory is carried out in cooperation with Danish ministries, research institutes, organisations and companies. The Government of Greenland is responsible for finalising and transferring the inventory for Greenland to DCE. The environmental authority in the Faroe Islands (Umhvørvisstovan) is responsible for finalising and transferring the inventory for the Faroe Islands to DCE.

There are now data agreements in place with both Greenland and the Faroe Islands ensuring the data delivery. These agreements contain deadlines for when DCE is to receive the data and documentation.

DCE has been and is engaged in the work in connection with meetings of the Conference of the Parties (COP) to the UNFCCC, the Conference of the Parties serving as the Meeting of the Parties (CMP) to the Kyoto protocol and the Conference of the Parties serving as the Meeting of the Parties (CMA) to the Paris Agreement and the subsidiary bodies, where the reporting rules are negotiated and settled. Furthermore, DCE participates in the EU Working Group 1 (WG1) under the Climate Change Committee, where the guidelines, methodologies etc. on inventories to be prepared by the EU Member States are regulated.

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LULUCF	Forestry and HWP	Vivian Kvist Johannsen
LULUCF	Cropland, grassland, wetlands, settlements	Steen Gyldenkærne
Waste		Katja Hjelgaard
Greenland		Lene Baunbæk
Faroe Islands		Maria Gunnleivsdóttir Hansen

The work concerning the annual greenhouse emission inventory is carried out in cooperation with other Danish ministries, research institutes, organisations and companies:

Danish Energy Agency, Ministry of Climate, Energy and Utilities: Annual energy statistics in a format suitable for the emission inventory work and fuel-use data for the large combustion plants. Company reports submitted under EU ETS.

Danish Environmental Protection Agency, Ministry of the Environment and Gender Equality: Database on waste and emissions of F-gases.

Danish Nature Agency, Ministry of the Environment and Gender Equality: Database on Danish wastewater quality parameters.

Statistics Denmark, Ministry of Digital Affairs: Statistical yearbook, sales statistics for manufacturing industries and agricultural statistics.

Danish Centre for Food and Agriculture (DCA), Aarhus University: Data on use of mineral fertiliser, feeding stuff consumption and nitrogen turnover in animals.

Department of Technology, Management and Economics, Technical University of Denmark: Number of vehicles grouped in categories corresponding to the EU classification, mileage (urban, rural, highway), trip speed (urban, rural, highway).

Department of Geosciences and Natural Resource Management, University of Copenhagen: Background data for Forestry and CO_2 uptake by forest and estimations of harvested wood products.

Civil Aviation Agency of Denmark, Ministry of Transport: City-pair flight data (aircraft type and origin and destination airports) for all flights leaving major Danish airports.

Danish Railways, Ministry of Transport: Fuel-related emission factors for diesel locomotives.

Danish companies: Audited green accounts and direct information gathered from producers and agency enterprises.

Formerly, the provision of data was strictly on a voluntary basis, but more formal agreements are now prepared. This is the case for e.g. the Danish Energy Agency, where the data agreement specifies the data needed and the deadlines for when DCE is to receive the data. Agreements are also in place with DCA, Statistics Denmark and the Ministry of Transport.

No written agreements are done with companies, but most of the information used in the inventory is based on other legal requirements under environmental law.

Additionally, DCE receives data from Greenland and the Faroe Islands in order to report for the Kingdom of Denmark. In both cases based on written data agreements.

Statistics Greenland, Government of Greenland: Complete CRTs for Greenland and documentation for the inventory process.

The Faroe Islands Environmental Authority: Complete CRTs for the Faroe Islands and documentation for the inventory process.

The complete emission inventories for the different submissions (EU and UNFCCC) by Denmark are compiled by DCE and along with the documentation report (NID) sent for official approval. This means that the emission inventory is finalised no later than March 15, whereupon the official approval is done prior to the reporting deadlines under the UNFCCC and the Paris Agreement.

1.3 Brief description of the process of inventory preparation. Data collection and processing, data storage and archiving

The background data (activity data and emission factors) for estimation of the Danish emission inventories is collected and stored in central databases located at the Department of Environmental Science (ENVS), Aarhus University. The databases are in Access format and handled with software developed by the European Environmental Agency and developed originally by the former National Environmental Research Institute (NERI) but is now maintained and further developed by ENVS. As input to the databases, various sub-models are used to estimate and aggregate the background data in order to fit the format and level in the central databases. The methodologies and data sources used for the different sectors are described in Chapter 1.4 and Chapters 3 to 7. As part of the QA/QC plan (Chapter 1.6), the data structure for data processing supports the pathway from collection of raw data to data compilation, modelling and final reporting.

For each submission, databases and additional tools and sub-models are frozen together with the resulting CRTs. This material is placed on central institutional servers, which are subject to routine back-up services. Material, which has been backed up, is archived safely. A further documentation and archiving system is the official archive for DCE. In this archiving system, correspondence, both incoming and outgoing, is registered, which in this case involves the registration of submissions and communication on inventories with the UNFCCC Secretariat, the European Commission, review teams, etc.

Figure 1.1 shows a schematic overview of the process of inventory preparation. The figure illustrates the process of inventory preparation from the first step of collecting external data to the last step, where the reporting schemes are generated for the UNFCCC and EU (in the CRT format (Common Reporting Tables)) and to the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe/Cooperative Programme for Monitoring and Evaluation of the Long-range Transmission of Air Pollutants in Europe (UNECE/EMEP) (in the NFR format (Nomenclature For Reporting)). For data handling, the software tool is CollectER (Pulles et al., 1999) and for reporting the software tool is the GHG Inventory Reporting Tool developed by the UNFCCC Secretariat together with additional tools originally developed by NERI but now maintained and further developed by ENVS. Data files and programme files used in the inventory preparation process are listed in Table 1.1.

Table 1.1 List of current data structure; data files and programme files in use.

QA/QC Level	Name	Application type	Path	Type	Input sources
4 store	CFT Submissions (UNFCCC and EU)	External report	U:\ST_ENVS-Luft-Emi\Inventory\AllYears\8_AllSectors\Level_4a_Storage\	MS Excel, xml	GHG Inventory Reporting Tool
4 store	NFR Report	External report	U:\ST_ENVS-Luft-Emi\Inventory\AllYears\8_AllSectors\Level_4a_Storage\	xls	NRF Report N8 Process
3 process	CRT Reporter	Management tool	Working path: local machine Archive path: U:\ST_ENVS-Luft-Emi\Inventory\AllYears\8_AllSectors\Level_3b_Processes	(exe + mdb)	National Compiler and Importer2CRT(xml) and IDAtoCRT(xml)
3 process	NRF Report N8 Process	Helptool	U:\ST_ENVS-Luft-Emi\Inventory\AllYears\8_AllSectors\Level_3b_Processes\NFR	Excel	NERIRep and Report Template (xls)
3 process	Importer2CRT	Help tool	U:\ST_ENVS-Luft-Emi\Inventory\AllYears\8_AllSectors\Level_3b_Processes	MS Access	GHG Inventory Reporting Tool, CollectEr2CRT, and excel files
3 process	CollectER2CRT	Help tool	U:\ST_ENVS-Luft-Emi\Inventory\AllYears\8_AllSectors\Level_3b_Processes	MS Access	NERIRep
3 proces	IDA2CRT	Help tool	U:\ST_ENVS-Luft-Emi\Inventory\AllYears\8_AllSectors\Level_3b_Processes	MS Access	IDA_backend
2 process 3 store	NERIRep	Help tool	Working path: I:\ROSPROJ\LUFT_EMI\DMURep	MS Access	CollectER databases; dk1972.mdb..dkxxxx.mdb and IDA_backend
2 process	CollectER	Management tool	Working path: local machine Archive path: U:\ST_ENVS-Luft-Emi\Inventory\AllYears\8_AllSectors\Level_2b_Processes	(exe +mdb)	Sector Expert
2 store	dk1980.mdb.dkxxxx.mdb	Datastore	U:\ST_ENVS-Luft-Emi\Inventory\AllYears\8_AllSectors\Level_2a_Storage	MS Access	CollectER
1 process	IDA	Management	U:\ST_ENVS-Luft-Emi\Agriculture\InventoryAgricultureData	MS Access	Sector Expert
1 store	IDA_Backend	Datastore	U:\ST_ENVS-Luft-Emi\Agriculture\InventoryAgricultureData	MS Access	IDA

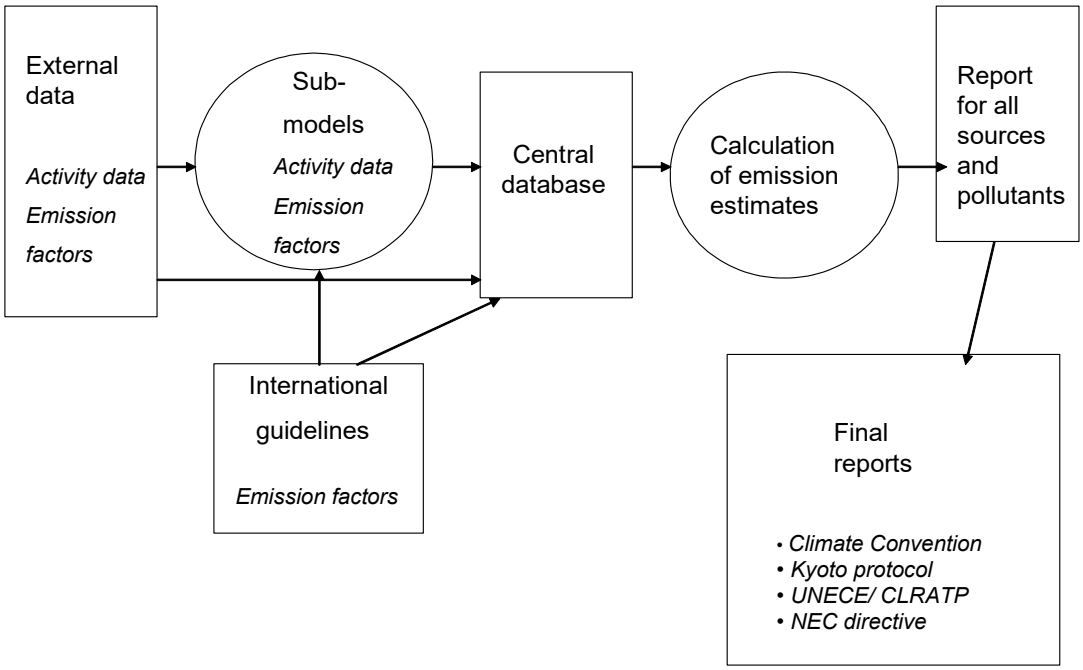


Figure 1.1 Schematic diagram of the process of inventory preparation.

Denmark has different geographical definitions for different submissions. Under the European Union, only mainland Denmark is included. As the reporting under the Paris Agreement should match the scope of the NDC, it is currently also for Denmark only, i.e. without the emissions from Greenland and the Faroe Islands. Information on emissions from Greenland and the Faroe Islands are included in Chapter 11 and 12.

The process of aggregation requires additional software tools. The process of aggregating the inventory is described in Chapter 13.

1.4 Brief general description of methodologies and data sources used

Denmark's air emission inventories are based on the 2006 IPCC Guidelines and the CORINAIR methodology. CORINAIR (COoRdination of INformation on AIR emissions) is a European air emission inventory programme for national sector-wise emission estimations, harmonised with the IPCC guidelines. To ensure estimates are as timely, consistent, transparent, accurate and comparable as possible, the inventory programme has developed calculation methodologies for most subsectors and software for storage and further data processing (EMEP-/CORINAIR, 2007).

A thorough description of the CORINAIR inventory programme used for Danish emission estimations is given in Illerup et al. (2000). The CORINAIR calculation principle is to calculate the emissions as activities multiplied by emission factors. Activities are numbers referring to a specific process generating emissions, while an emission factor is the mass of emissions per unit activity. Information on activities to carry out the CORINAIR inventory is largely based on official statistics. The most consistent emission factors have been used either as national values or as default factors proposed by international guidelines.

A list of all subsectors at the most detailed level is given in Illerup et al. (2000) together with a translation between CORINAIR and IPCC codes for sector classifications.

1.4.1 Stationary Combustion Plants

Stationary combustion plants are part of the CRT emission sources *1A1 Energy Industries*, *1A2 Manufacturing Industries* and *1A4 Other sectors*.

The Danish emission inventory for stationary combustion plants is based on the CORINAIR system described in Illerup et al. (2000). The emission inventory for stationary combustion is based on activity rates from the Danish energy statistics. General emission factors for various fuels, plants and sectors have been determined. Some large plants, such as power plants, are registered individually as large point sources and plant-specific emission data are used.

The fuel consumption rates are based on the official Danish energy statistics prepared by the Danish Energy Agency (DEA). DCE aggregates fuel consumption rates to SNAP categories. The fuel consumption of the NFR category 1A4 Manufacturing industries and construction is disaggregated to subsectors according to the DEA data prepared and reported to Eurostat.

For each of the fuel and SNAP categories (sector and e.g. type of plant), a set of general emission factors has been determined. Some emission factors refer to the EMEP/EEA guidebook, and some are country specific and refer to Danish legislation, Danish research reports or calculations based on emission data from a considerable number of plants.

Some of the large plants, such as e.g. power plants and municipal waste incineration plants are registered individually as large point sources and emission data from the actual plants are used. This enables use of plant specific emission factors that refer to emission measurements stated in annual environmental reports, etc. At present, the emission factors for CH_4 and N_2O are, however, not plant-specific, whereas emission factors for SO_2 and NO_X often are. For CO_2 it was possible to use data reported under the EU-ETS in the emission inventory from 2006. Therefore, it was possible to derive some plant specific CO_2 emission factors for coal and oil-fired power plants.

The CO_2 from incineration of the fossil part of municipal waste is included in the national total emissions in the Danish inventory.

Please refer to Chapter 3.2 and Annex 3A for further information on the emission inventory for stationary combustion plants.

1.4.2 Transport

The emissions from transport, referring to SNAP category 07 (road transport) and the sub-categories in 08 (other mobile sources), are made up in the IPCC categories: 1A2f (Industry-other), 1A3a (Civil aviation), 1A3b (road transport), 1A3c (Railways), 1A3d (Navigation), 1A4a (Commercial and Institutional), 1A4b (Residential), 1A4c (Agriculture/forestry/fisheries) and 1A5 (Other).

An internal DCE model with a structure similar to the European COPERT IV emission model (EEA, 2023) is used to calculate the Danish annual emissions for road traffic. The emissions are calculated for operationally hot engines, during cold start and fuel evaporation. The model also includes the emission effect of catalyst wear. Input data for vehicle stock and mileage is obtained from DTU Transport and Statistics Denmark, and it is grouped according to average fuel consumption and emission behaviour. For each group, the emissions are estimated by combining vehicle type and annual mileage figures with hot emission factors, cold:hot ratios and evaporation factors (Tier 2 approach).

For air traffic, from 2001 onwards estimates are made on a city-pair level, using flight data provided by the Danish Civil Aviation Agency (CAA-DK) for flights between Danish airports and flights between Denmark and Greenland/Faroe Islands), and LTO and distance-related emission factors from the CORINAIR guidelines (Tier 2 approach). For previous years, the background data consists of LTO/aircraft type statistics from Copenhagen Airport and total LTO numbers from CAA-DK. With appropriate assumptions, consistent time series of emissions are produced back to 1990 and include the findings from a Danish city-pair emission inventory in 1998.

Off-road working machines and equipment are grouped in the following sectors: inland waterways (pleasure craft), agriculture, forestry, industry, and household and gardening. The sources for stock and operational data are various branch organisations and key experts. In general, the emissions

are calculated by combining information on the number of different machine types and their respective load factors, engine sizes, annual working hours and emission factors (Tier 2 approach).

The inventory for navigation consists of regional ferries, local ferries and other national sea transport (sea transport between Danish ports and between Denmark and Greenland/Faroe Islands). For regional ferries, the fuel consumption and emissions are calculated as a product of number of round trips per ferry route (Statistics Denmark), sailing time per round trip, share of round trips per ferry, engine size, engine load factor and fuel consumption/emission factor. The estimates take into account the changes in emission factors and ferry specific data during the inventory period.

For the remaining navigation categories, the emissions are calculated simply as a product of total fuel consumption and average emission factors. For each inventory year, this emission factor average comprises the emission factors for all present engine production years, according to engine lifetimes.

Please refer to Chapter 3.3 and Annex 3B for further information on emissions from transport.

1.4.3 Fugitive emissions from fuels

Fugitive emissions from oil (1.B.2.a)

Fugitive emissions from oil are estimated according to the methodology described in the Emission Inventory Guidebook (EEA, 2023). The sources include offshore extraction of oil and gas, onshore oil tanks, onshore and offshore loading of ships, and gasoline distribution. Activity data is given in the Danish Energy Statistics by the Danish Energy Agency. The emission factors are based on the figures given in the guidebook except in the case of onshore oil tanks and gasoline distribution where national values are included.

The VOC emissions from petroleum refinery processes cover non-combustion emissions from feed stock handling/storage, petroleum products processing, and product storage/handling. SO_2 is also emitted from non-combustion processes, and it includes emissions from product processing and sulphur-recovery plants. The emission calculations are based on information from the Danish refineries.

Fugitive emissions from natural gas (1.B.2.b)

Inventories of NMVOC emission from transmission and distribution of natural gas and town gas are based on annual environmental reports from the Danish gas transmission company and annual reports for the gas distribution companies. The annual gas composition is based on Energinet.dk.

Fugitive emissions from flaring (1.B.2.c)

Emissions from flaring offshore, in gas treatment and storage plants, and in refineries are included in the inventory. Emissions calculations are based on annual reports from the Danish Energy Agency and environmental reports from gas storage and treatment plants and the refineries. Calorific values are based on the reports for the EU ETS for offshore flaring, on annual gas quality data from Energinet.dk, and on additional data from the refineries. Emission factors are based on the Emission Inventory Guidebook (EEA, 2023).

Please refer to Chapter 3.5 for further information on fugitive emissions from fuels.

1.4.4 Industrial processes and product use

Energy consumption associated with industrial processes and the emissions thereof are included in the Energy sector of the inventory. This is due to the overall use of energy balance statistics for the inventory.

There is only one producer of cement in Denmark, Aalborg Portland Ltd. The activity data for the production of cement clinker is obtained from the company and the CO_2 emission is from the company report to EU-ETS. The methodology is approved by the Danish Energy Agency, and the yearly emission estimate is in accordance with the methodology.

The reference for the activity data for production of lime, hydrated lime, expanded clay products and bricks, is the production statistics from the manufacturing industries, published by Statistics Denmark.

Limestone is used for the refining of sugar as well as for wet flue gas cleaning at power plants and waste incineration plants. The reference for the activity data is Statistics Denmark for sugar, Energinet.dk for gypsum from power plants combined with specific information on consumption of $CaCO_3$ at specific power plants and National Waste Statistics for gypsum from waste incineration. The emission factors are based on stoichiometric relations between consumption of $CaCO_3$ and gypsum generation as well as consumption of lime for sugar refining and precipitation with CO_2. This information is supplemented with company reports to EU-ETS.

The reference for the activity data for asphalt roofing is Statistics Denmark for consumption of roofing materials, combined with technical specifications for roofing materials produced in Denmark. The emission factors are default factors.

For road paving with asphalt, the reference for the activity data is Statistics Denmark for consumption of asphalt and cutback asphalt. The emission factors are default factors for consumption of asphalt and an estimated emission factor for cutback asphalt based on the statistics on the emission of NMVOC compiled by the industrial organisations in question.

The reference for activity data for the production of glass and glass wool are obtained from the producers published in their environmental reports. Emission factors are based on stoichiometric relations between raw materials and CO_2 emissions. This information is supplemented with company reports to EU-ETS.

The production of lime and yellow bricks gives rise to CO_2 emissions. The emission factors are based on stoichiometric relations, assumption on $CaCO_3$ content in clay as well as a default emission factor for expanded clay products. This information is supplemented with company reports to EU-ETS.

There was one producer of nitric acid in Denmark. The data in the inventory relies on information from the producer. The producer reported emissions of NO_x and NH_3 as measured emissions and emissions of N_2O for 2003 as estimated emissions. The emission of N_2O in 2005 and forward is not occurring as the nitric acid production was closed down in the middle of 2004.

There is one producer of catalysts in Denmark. The data in the inventory relies on information published by the producer in environmental reports.

There was one steelwork in Denmark. The activity data as well as data on consumption of raw materials (coke) has been published by the producer in environmental reports. Emission factors are based on stoichiometric relations between raw materials and CO_2 emission. The electro steelwork was closed in 2005.

The inventory on F-gases (HFCs, PFCs and SF_6) is based on work carried out by the Danish Consultant Company "Provice". Their yearly report (DEPA, 2026) documents the inventory data up to the year 2024. The methodology is implemented for the whole time series 1990-2021, but full information on activities only exists since 1995.

Emissions from other product use such as fireworks, tobacco and charcoal for grilling are included in the inventory. Activity data on consumption of fireworks, tobacco and charcoal are obtained from Statistics Denmark. The emission factors used refer to international literature.

Please refer to Chapter 4 for further information on the emission inventory for industrial processes and product use.

1.4.5 Agriculture

The calculation of emissions from the agricultural sector is based on methods described in the IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006). Activity data for livestock is on a one-year average basis from the agricultural statistics published by Statistics Denmark. Data concerning the land use and crop yield is also from the agricultural statistics. Data concerning the feed consumption and nitrogen excretion is based on information from the Danish Centre for Food and Agriculture (Aarhus University). The CH_4 Implied Emission Factors for Enteric Fermentation and Manure Management are based on a Tier 2/CS approach for all animal categories except for poultry, which are based on a Tier 1 approach. All livestock categories in the Danish emission inventory are based on an average of certain subgroups separated by differences in animal breed, age and weight class. The emissions from enteric fermentation for fur farming are estimated to be not applicable.

Emission of N_2O is closely related to the nitrogen balance. Thus, quite a lot of the activity data is related to the Danish calculations for ammonia emission (Albrektsen et al., 2026). National standards are used to estimate the amount of ammonia emission. When estimating the N_2O emission the IPCC standard value is used for all emission sources. The emission of CO_2 from Agricultural Soils is included in the LULUCF sector.

A model-based system is applied for the calculation of the emissions in Denmark. This model (IDA – Integrated Database model for Agricultural emissions) is used to estimate emission from both greenhouse gases and ammonia. A more detailed description is published in Albrektsen et al. (2026). The emissions from the agricultural sector are mainly related to livestock production. IDA works on a detailed level and includes around 40 livestock categories, and each category is subdivided according to housing type and manure type. The emissions are calculated from each subcategory and the emissions are aggregated in accordance with the livestock category given in the CRTs.

To ensure data quality, both data used as activity data and background data used to estimate the emission factor are collected and discussed in cooperation with specialists and researchers in different institutions. Thus, the emission inventory will be evaluated continuously according to the latest knowledge. Furthermore, time series of both emission factors and emissions in relation to the CRT categories are prepared. Any considerable variations in the time series are explained.

The uncertainties for assessment of emissions from enteric fermentation, manure management, agricultural soils and field burning of agricultural residue have been estimated based on a Tier 1 approach. The most significant uncertainties are related to the emissions of N_2O from agricultural soils.

A more detailed description of the methodology for the agricultural sector is given in Chapter 5 and Annex 3D.

1.4.6 Land Use, Land Use Change and Forestry

A complete Land Use Change matrix based on satellite imaging of the entire Danish land area, together with cadastral information has been prepared for the six major area classes. This has improved the coverage and the quality of the inventory substantially.

CO_2 emissions from cropland and grassland are based on census data from Statistics Denmark as regards size of area and crop yield combined with GIS-analysis on land use from the EU agricultural subsidiary system. This gives a very high accuracy for land use. All applicable pools are reported for Cropland and Grassland. The emission from mineral soils for cropland is estimated with a three-pooled dynamical soil carbon model (C-TOOL). C-TOOL was initialised in 1980. The model is run for each region corresponding to former counties in Denmark. Emissions from organic soils in cropland are based on new nationally developed emission factors. For grassland IPCC Tier 1b values are used. National models have been developed for wooden perennial crops in cropland based on land use statistics from Statistic Denmark. These are of minor importance. Sinks in hedgerows are calculated based on a nationally developed model. The area with hedgerows is estimated from information on hedgerows established with financial support from the Danish Government and aerial photos. Emissions from liming are calculated from annual sales data collected by the Danish Agricultural Advisory Centre, combined with the acid neutralisation capacity for each lot produced.

For wetlands, emissions are reported from peat extraction areas. Natural wetlands are not reported. A comprehensive programme for restoration of wetlands is implemented in Denmark. Other land uses converted to wetlands is therefore reported.

No estimates are made for other land remaining other land and no conversion of land to other land is occurring.

1.4.7 Waste

For 5.A Solid waste disposal, only managed waste disposal sites are of importance and registered; i.e. unmanaged and illegal disposal of waste is considered to play a negligible role in the context of this category. The CH_4 emission at the Danish SWDSs is based on a First Order Decay (FOD) model

corresponding to an IPCC tier 2/3 approach (IPCC, 2006). Data on waste types and amounts deposited at solid waste disposal sites is according to the official registration collected by the Danish Environmental Protection Agency (DEPA, 2025). The model calculations are performed using landfill site characteristics and statistics on the amounts of waste fractions deposited each year. Improved documentation of the methodology, input parameter data including uncertainty analysis is described in Chapter 7.2.

Regarding 5.C Incineration and open burning of waste, all municipal, industrial, hazardous and medical waste incinerated is used for energy and heat production. This production is included in the energy statistics; hence emissions are included in the CRTs under fuel combustion activities (CRT sector 1A), and more specifically waste incineration takes place in CRT sectors 1A1a, 1A2f and 1A4a. Reporting in this category covers incineration of corpses and carcasses. The activity data are obtained from the National Association of Danish Crematoria and the three facilities incinerating carcasses.

For 5.D Wastewater treatment and discharge, country-specific methodologies are used for calculating the emissions of CH_4 and N_2O at wastewater treatment plants (WWTPs). Fugitive methane releases from the municipal and private WWTPs have been divided into contributions from 1) the sewer system, primary settling tank and biological N and P removal processes, 2) from anaerobic treatment processes in closed systems with biogas extraction and combustion for energy production and 3) septic tanks. N_2O formation and releases during the treatment processes at the WWTPs and from discharged effluent wastewater are included. Documentation of the methodology, emission factors and activity data are included in Chapter 7.3.

In CRT category 5.E Other emissions from accidental fires have been reported.

Please refer to Chapter 7 and Annex 3F for further information on emission inventories for waste.

1.4.8 Use of EU Emission Trading Scheme data

In 2004, the first guidelines for the monitoring and reporting of greenhouse gas emissions pursuant to the EU Emission Trading Scheme (ETS) Directive (2003/87/EC) were implemented (EU Commission, 2004). The guidelines were updated in 2007, 2012 and 2018 and are available from the EU Commission website (EU Commission, 2018).

The Danish emission inventory only includes data from plants using higher tier methods as defined in the EU decision establishing guidelines for monitoring and reporting (EU Commission, 2018). In the Guidelines, the specific methods for determining carbon contents, oxidation factor and calorific value are specified.

In the Danish inventory plant or activity-based CO_2 emission factors have been derived for power plants combusting coal and oil, refinery gas and flare gas in refineries, fuel gas and flare gas at off-shore installations, cement production, production of brick and tiles and lime production. For all these sources, the EU ETS reports are only used in the Danish inventory for plants using high tier methods. The EU ETS data have been applied for the years 2006 onwards.

The EU ETS reporting guidelines emphasizes the need for a high-quality reporting through ensuring completeness, consistency, accuracy, transparency and faithfulness. The quality criteria as defined under the EU ETS reporting guidelines are in complete agreement with the principles in the IPCC good practice guidance. For all activities covered by the EU ETS installations are divided into three categories (A, B and C) depending on the annual CO_2 emission. A category A installation has an annual emission of less than 50 kt CO_2, a category B installation has an annual emission of between 50 and 500 kt CO_2 and a category C installation has an annual emission of more than 500 kt CO_2. For each activity Table 1 of the EU ETS guidelines (EU Commission, 2018) specifies the minimum tier level for the different calculation parameters. An example for combustion installations is shown in Table 1.2. The full list for all activities is available in the EU ETS guidelines (EU Commission, 2018).

Table 1.2 Example of minimum requirements in EU ETS guidelines (EU Commission, 2018).

	Activity data						Emission factor			Oxidation factor		
	Fuel flow			Net calorific value								
Activity	A	B	C	A	B	C	A	B	C	A	B	C
Commercial standard fuels	2	2	2	2a/2b	2a/2b	2a/2b	2a/2b	2a/2b	2a/2b	1	1	1
Other gaseous and liquid fuels	2	3	4	2a/2b	2a/2b	3	2a/2b	2a/2b	3	1	1	1
Solid fuels	1	2	3	2a/2b	3	3	2a/2b	3	3	1	1	1

The determination of the variables needed for the emission calculation must be done in accordance with international standards. It is not possible to list all the relevant standards here, but the principles are described in Article 42 of the EU ETS guidelines. There are also demands concerning sampling methods and frequency of analysis.

As an example, the tier 3 regarding fuel flow for fuel combustion, corresponds to a determination of the fuel consumption with a maximum uncertainty of 2.5 % taking into account possible effects of stock change. Tier 4 has a maximum uncertainty of 1.5 %. These uncertainties are very low and are in line with what could be expected from a well-functioning energy statistics system. More information regarding the use of EU ETS data in the specific subsectors of the inventory is included in Chapter 3.2.5 (CHP plants), Chapter 3.5.2 (Refineries and off-shore installations) and Chapter 4.2.2 (Cement production and other mineral products).

The operators shall establish, document, implement and maintain effective data acquisition and handling activities. This means assigning responsibilities for the quality process, as well as quality assurance, reviews and validation of data. Furthermore, an independent verification ensuring that emissions have been monitored in accordance with the EU ETS guidelines and that reliable and correct emission data are reported. There are also demands that records and documentation of the control activities must be stored for at least 10 years. The demands for the QA/QC system in the EU ETS guidelines are fully comparable to the requirements in the IPCC good practice guidance. Even so, DCE also performs QC checks of the data received as part of company reporting under EU ETS. This includes comparing the reported parameters with previous years, identifying outliers etc. In case DCE detects what is considered to be outliers, DCE contacts the Danish Energy Agency, which is the regulating authority for the EU ETS system in Denmark.

1.5 Brief description of key categories

The key category analysis described in this section covers only Denmark. A key category analysis covering Greenland is included in Chapter 11.

All KCA have been carried out in accordance with IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006).

The KCA for Denmark includes a total of 12 different analyses:

- Base year, reporting year and trend
- Including and excluding LULUCF
- Approach 1 and approach 2

The KCA is based on 227 emission source categories including 38 LULUCF source categories.

The 12 different KCA for Denmark point out 27-50 key source categories each and a total of 81 different key source categories. The number of key categories in each of the main sectors is: energy 39, IPPU 3, agriculture 13, LULUCF 17 and waste 9.

Approach 1 point out mainly the large emission sources as key categories and thus CO_2 emission from stationary and mobile combustion are important key categories. Approach 2 point out some of the sources with larger uncertainty rates.

Table 1.3 shows the 79 source categories that are key categories in at least one of the six key category analysis including LULUCF. The table includes ranking in the analysis. A similar table for the KCAs excluding LULUCF is included in Annex 1.

The categorisation and detailed results of each of the KCAs are included in Annex 1.

Table 1.3 Key categories for KCAs including LULUCF. The numbers show the ranking in each of the KCAs.

IPCC Source Categories (LULUCF included)		GHG	Key categories with number according to ranking in analysis Identification criteria					
			Level Approach 1 1990	Level Approach 1 2024	Trend Approach 1 1990-2024	Level Approach 2 1990	Level Approach 2 2024	Trend Approach 2 1990-2024
Energy	1A Stationary combustion, Coal, ETS data, CO_2	CO_2		6	7			
Energy	1A Stationary combustion, Coal, no ETS data, CO_2	CO_2	1		1	12		10
Energy	1A Stationary combustion, Fossil waste, ETS data, CO_2	CO_2		8	8		41	31
Energy	1A Stationary combustion, Fossil waste, no ETS data, CO_2	CO_2	23	23	32			
Energy	1A Stationary combustion, Petroleum coke, ETS data, CO_2	CO_2		26	25			
Energy	1A Stationary combustion, Petroleum coke, no ETS data, CO_2	CO_2	31		28			
Energy	1A Stationary combustion, Residual oil, no ETS data, CO_2	CO_2	8		9			
Energy	1A Stationary combustion, Gas oil, CO_2	CO_2	3	15	5	28		40
Energy	1A Stationary combustion, Kerosene, CO_2	CO_2	32		30			
Energy	1A Stationary combustion, LPG, CO_2	CO_2		33	33			
Energy	1A1b Stationary combustion, Petroleum refining, Refinery gas, CO_2	CO_2	16	14	17			
Energy	1A Stationary combustion, Natural gas, onshore, CO_2	CO_2	6	4	12			
Energy	1A1c_ii Stationary combustion, Oil and gas extraction, Offshore gas turbines, Natural gas, CO_2	CO_2	28	11	11			
Energy	1A4b_i Stationary combustion, Residential wood combustion, CH_4	CH_4				31	46	
Energy	1A4b_i/1A4c_i Stationary Combustion, Residential and agricultural straw combustion, CH_4	CH_4				32	43	
Energy	1A1 Stationary Combustion, Solid fuels, N_2O	N_2O				22		23
Energy	1A1 Stationary Combustion, Gaseous fuels, N_2O	N_2O				40	44	
Energy	1A1 Stationary Combustion, Waste, N_2O	N_2O					45	39
Energy	1A1 Stationary Combustion, Biomass, N_2O	N_2O					14	12
Energy	1A2 Stationary Combustion, Liquid fuels, N_2O	N_2O				18		19
Energy	1A2 Stationary Combustion, Gaseous fuels, N_2O	N_2O					36	41
Energy	1A2 Stationary Combustion, Biomass, N_2O	N_2O					40	44
Energy	1A4 Stationary Combustion, Liquid fuels, N_2O	N_2O				33		37
Energy	1A4b_i Stationary Combustion, Residential wood combustion, N_2O	N_2O					24	25
Energy	1.A.2.g Industry (mobile)	CO_2	27	18	18	21	11	11
Energy	1.A.3.a Civil aviation	CO_2		42				
Energy	1.A.3.b Road Transport	CO_2	2	1	2	11	7	8
Energy	1.A.3.c Railways	CO_2	35	36				
Energy	1.A.3.d Navigation (large vessels)	CO_2	20	22	39	35	48	
Energy	1.A.4.a Commercial/Institutional (mobile)	CO_2		37	37		42	48
Energy	1.A.4.c ii Agriculture (mobile)	CO_2	25	19	23	27	15	21
Energy	1.A.4.c iii Fisheries	CO_2	22	27				
Energy	1.A.2.g Industry (mobile)	N_2O					29	30
Energy	1.A.3.b Road Transport	N_2O		30	27		21	17
Energy	1.A.4.c ii Agriculture (mobile)	N_2O					30	33
Energy	1.B.2.c.2.iii Flaring, combined	CO_2	33	46				
Energy	1.B.2.a.4 Refining/storage	CH_4				43		
Energy	1.B.2.b.2 Production	CH_4	38			15	35	26
IPPU	2A1 Cement production	CO_2	17	12	15			
IPPU	2B2 Nitric acid production	N_2O	13		19	20		16
IPPU	2F1 Refrigeration and air conditioning	HFCs		29	26		19	14
Agriculture	3A Enteric Fermentation	CH_4	5	2	4	5	2	3
Agriculture	3B Manure Management	CH_4	7	3	6	4	1	1
Agriculture	3B Manure Management	N_2O	21	24		9	10	28
Agriculture	3B5 Atmospheric deposition	N_2O	37	43		34	47	
Agriculture	3Da1 Inorganic N fertilizer	N_2O	9	10	29	2	5	13
Agriculture	3Da2a Animal manure applied to soils	N_2O	14	17	24	8	6	9

IPCC Source Categories (LULUCF included)		GHG	Key categories with number according to ranking in analysis Identification criteria					
			Level Approach 1 1990	Level Approach 1 2024	Trend Approach 1 1990-2024	Level Approach 2 1990	Level Approach 2 2024	Trend Approach 2 1990-2024
Agriculture	3Da3 Urine and dung deposited by grazing animals	N_2O				24	37	
Agriculture	3Da4 Crop Residues	N_2O	18	16	20	7	3	2
Agriculture	3Da5 Mineralization	N_2O				23	28	
Agriculture	3Da6 Cultivation of organic soils	N_2O	19	25		13	12	
Agriculture	3Db1 Atmospheric deposition	N_2O	26	31		26	39	
Agriculture	3Db2 Leaching	N_2O	15	20	38	6	8	24
Agriculture	3G Liming	CO_2	24	35	36	16	26	36
LULUCF	4.A.1 Forest land remaining forest land, Living biomass	CO_2		5	3		22	18
LULUCF	4.A.1 Forest land remaining forest land, Dead organic matter	CO_2		38				
LULUCF	4.A.1 Forest land remaining forest land, Mineral soils	CO_2	36	28	34	29	18	32
LULUCF	4.A.1 Forest land remaining forest land, Organic soils	CO_2		39	40	41	34	46
LULUCF	4.A.2 Land converted to forest land	CO_2	11	9	14	25	16	27
LULUCF	4.B.1 Cropland remaining cropland, Mineral soils	CO_2	12		21	10		7
LULUCF	4.B.1 Cropland remaining cropland, Organic soils	CO_2	4	7	10	1	4	4
LULUCF	4.B.2 Forest land converted to cropland	CO_2						49
LULUCF	4(II) Cropland on organic soils	CO_2				39		
LULUCF	4.C.1 Grassland remaining grassland, Organic soils	CO_2	29	13	13	19	9	6
LULUCF	4.D.1.1 Peat extraction remaining peat extraction	CO_2				36		
LULUCF	4.E.2 Forest land converted to settlements	CO_2					49	35
LULUCF	4.E.2 Other land uses converted to settlements	CO_2	30	34		14	17	
LULUCF	4(II) Cropland on organic soils	CH_4	34	45		17	27	43
LULUCF	4(II) Grassland on organic soils	CH_4		40	35	42	20	22
LULUCF	4(II) A. Forest land, organic soils	CH_4						47
LULUCF	4(II) Land converted to partly water covered land	CH_4		41	31		23	15
Waste	5.E Accidental fires	CO_2				37	38	
Waste	5.A Solid waste disposal	CH_4	10	32	22	3	13	5
Waste	5.B.1 Composting	CH_4					33	29
Waste	5.B.2. Anaerobic digestion at biogas facilities	CH_4		21	16		25	20
Waste	5.D.1 Municipal wastewater treatment	CH_4					32	38
Waste	5.D.2 Industrial wastewater effluent (NY i 2026-afl.)	CH_4				30		34
Waste	5.B.1 Composting	N_2O					50	42
Waste	5.D.1 Municipal wastewater treatment	N_2O		44		38	31	45

1.6 Information on QA/QC plan including verification and treatment of confidential issues where relevant

1.6.1 Introduction

This section outlines the Quality Control (QC) and Quality Assurance (QA) plan for greenhouse gas emission inventories performed by DCE (Sørensen et al., 2005; Nielsen et al., 2013; Nielsen et al., 2020). The plan is in accordance with the guidelines provided by the IPCC (IPCC, 2006. The ISO 9000 standards are also used as important input for the plan.

The QA/QC plan also covers Greenland and the Faroe Islands. DCE receives the data corresponding to data processing level 3 and data storage level 4 and the data undergo the same QA/QC procedure as the Danish data; some further QC checks are described in Chapter 13.

1.6.2 Concepts of quality work

The quality planning is based on the following definitions as outlined by the ISO 9000 standards as well as the IPCC Guidance (IPCC, 2006):

- Quality management (*QM*) Coordinates activity to direct and control with regard to quality.
- Quality Planning (*QP*) Defines quality objectives including specification of necessary operational processes and resources to fulfil the quality objectives.
- Quality Control (*QC*) Fulfils quality requirements.
- Quality Assurance (*QA*) Provides confidence that quality requirements will be fulfilled.
- Quality Improvement (*QI*) Increases the ability to fulfil quality requirements.

The activities are considered inter-related in this report as shown in Figure 1.2.

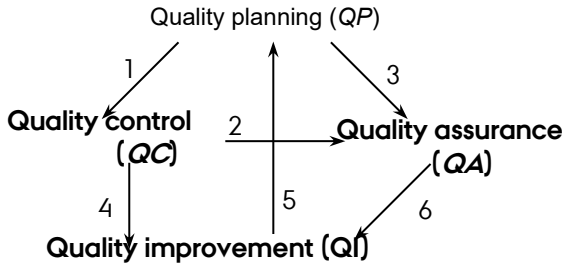


Figure 1.2 Interrelation between the activities with regard to quality. The arrows are explained in the text below this figure.
1: The *QP* sets up the objectives and, from these, measurable properties valid for the *QC*.
2: The *QC* investigates the measurable properties that are communicated to *QA* for assessment in order to ensure sufficient quality.
3. The *QP* identifies and defines measurable indicators for the fulfilment of the quality objectives. This yields the basis for the *QA* and has to be supported by the input coming from the *QC*.
4: The result from *QC* highlights the degree of fulfilment for every quality objective. It is thus a good basis for suggestions for improvements to the inventory to meet the quality objectives.
5: Suggested improvements in the quality may induce changes in the quality objectives and their measurability.
6: The evaluation carried out by external authorities is important input when improvements in quality are being considered.

1.6.3 Definition of quality

A solid definition of quality is essential. Without such a solid definition, the fulfilment of the objectives will never be clear, and the process of quality control and assurance can easily turn out to be a fuzzy and unpleasant experience for the people involved. On the contrary, in case of a solid definition and thus a clear goal, it will be possible the make a valid statement of "good quality" and thus form constructive conditions and motivate the inventory work positively. A clear definition of quality has not been given in the UNFCCCC guidelines. In the Good Practice Guidance, Chapter 8.2, however, it is mentioned that:

"Quality control requirements, improved accuracy and reduced uncertainty need to be balanced against requirements for timeliness and cost effectiveness." The statement of balancing requirements and costs is not a solid basis for QC as long as this balancing is not well defined.

The resulting standard of the inventory is defined as being composed of accuracy and regulatory usefulness. The goal is to maximise the standard of the inventory, and the following statement defines the quality objective:

The quality objective is only inadequately fulfilled if it is possible to make an inventory of a higher standard without exceeding the frame of resources.

1.6.4 Definition of Critical Control Points (*CCP*)

A Critical Control Point (*CCP*) is defined in this submission as an element or an action, which needs to be taken into account in order to fulfil the quality objectives. Every *CCP* has to be necessary for the objectives and the *CCP* list needs to be extended if other factors, not defined by the *CCP* list, are needed in order to reach at least one of the quality objectives.

The objectives for the *QM*, as formulated by IPCC (2006), are to improve elements of transparency, consistency, comparability, completeness and confidence.

The objectives for the *QM* are used as *CCP*s, including the elements mentioned above. The following explanation is given by UNFCCC guidelines (UNFCCC, 2013) for each *CCP*:

Transparency means that the data sources, assumptions and methodologies used for an inventory should be clearly explained, in order to facilitate the replication and assessment of the inventory by users of the reported information. The transparency of inventories is fundamental to the success of the process for the communication and consideration of the information. The use of the common reporting tables (CRT) and the preparation of a structured national inventory document (NID) contribute to the transparency of the information and facilitate national and international reviews.

Consistency means that an annual GHG inventory should be internally consistent for all reported years in all its elements across sectors, categories and gases. An inventory is consistent if the same methodologies are used for the base and all subsequent years and if consistent data sets are used to estimate emissions or removals from sources or sinks. Under certain circumstances referred to in paragraphs 16 to 18 below, an inventory using different methodologies for different years can be considered to be consistent if it has been recalculated in a transparent manner, in accordance with the *2006 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories* (hereinafter referred to as the 2006 IPCC Guidelines).

Comparability means that estimates of emissions and removals reported by Annex I Parties in their inventories should be comparable among Annex I Parties. For that purpose, Annex I Parties should use the methodologies and formats agreed by the COP/CMA for making estimations and reporting their inventories. The allocation of different source/sink categories should follow the CRTs provided in annex I to decision 5/CMA.3 at the level of the summary and sectoral tables.

Completeness means that an annual GHG inventory covers at least all sources and sinks, as well as all gases, for which methodologies are provided in the 2006 IPCC Guidelines or for which supplementary methodologies have been agreed by the COP/CMA. Completeness also means the full geographical coverage of the sources and sinks of a Party.

Accuracy means that emission and removal estimates should be accurate in the sense that they are systematically neither over nor under true emissions or removals, as far as can be judged, and that uncertainties are reduced as far as practicable. Appropriate methodologies should be used, in accordance with the 2006 IPCC Guidelines, to promote accuracy in inventories.

The robustness against unexpected disturbance of the inventory work has to be high in order to secure high quality, which is not covered by the *CCP*s above. The correctness of the inventory is formulated as an independent objective. This is so because the correctness of the inventory is a condition for all other objectives to be effective. A large part of the Tier 1 procedure given by the IPCC (IPCC, 2006) is actually checks for miscalculations and, thus, supports the objective of correctness. Correctness, as defined here, is not similar to accuracy, because the correctness takes into account miscalculations, while accuracy relates to minimizing the always present data-value uncertainty.

Robustness implies arrangement of inventory work as regards e.g. inventory experts and data sources in order to minimize the consequences of any unexpected disturbance due to external and internal conditions. A change in an external condition could be interruption of access to an external data source and an internal change could be a sudden reduction in qualified staff, where a skilled person suddenly leaves the inventory work.

Correctness has to be secured in order to avoid uncontrollable occurrence of uncertainty directly due to errors in the calculations.

The different *CCP*s are not independent and represent different degrees of generality. E.g., deviation from *comparability* may be accepted if a high degree of *transparency* is applied. Furthermore, there may even be a conflict between the different *CCP*s. E.g. new knowledge may suggest improvements in calculation methods for better *completeness*, but the same improvements may to some degree, violate the *consistency* and *comparability* criteria with regard to earlier years' inventories and the reporting from other nations. It is, therefore, a multi-criteria problem of optimisation to apply the set of *CCP*s in the aim for good quality.

1.6.5 Process-oriented QC

The strategy is based on a process-oriented principle (ISO 9000 series) and the first step is, thus, to set up a system for the process of the inventory work. The product specification for the inventory is a dataset of emission figures and the process, thereby, equates with the data flow in the preparation of the inventory.

The data flow needs to support the QC/QA in order to facilitate a cost-effective procedure. The flow of data has to take place in a transparent way by making the transformation of data detectable. It should be easy to find the original background data for any calculation and to trace the sequence of calculations from the raw data to the final emission result. Computer programming for automated calculations and checking will enhance the accuracy and minimize the number of miscalculations and flaws in input value settings. Especially manual typing of numbers needs to be minimized. This assumes, however, that the quality of the programming has been verified to ensure the correctness of the automated calculations. Automated value control is also one of the important means to secure accuracy. Realistic uncer-

tainty estimates are necessary for securing accuracy, but they can be difficult to produce due to the uncertainty related to the uncertainty estimates themselves. It is, therefore, important to include the uncertainty calculation procedures into the data structure as far as possible. The QC/QA needs to be supported as far as possible by the data structure; otherwise, the procedures can easily become troublesome and subject to frustration.

Both data processing and data storage form the data structure. The data processing is carried out using mathematical operations or models. The models may be complicated where they concern human activity or be simple summations of lower aggregated data. The data storage includes databases and file systems of data that are calculated either using the data processing at the lower level, using input to new processing steps or even using both output and input in the data structure. The measure for quality is basically different for processing and storage, so these need to be kept separate in a well-designed quality manual. A graphical display of the data flow is seen in Figure 1.3 and explained in the following.

The data storage takes place for the following types of data:

***External Data*:** a single numerical value of a parameter coming from an external source. These data govern the calculation of *Emission calculation input.*

***Emission calculation input*:** Data for input to the final emission calculation in terms of data for release source strength and activity. The data is directly applicable for use in the standardized forms for calculation. These data are calculated using external data or represent a direct use of *External Data* when they are directly applicable for *Emission Calculations.*

***Emission Data*:** Estimated emissions based on the *emission calculation input.*

***Emission Reporting*:** Reporting of emission data in requested formats and aggregation level.

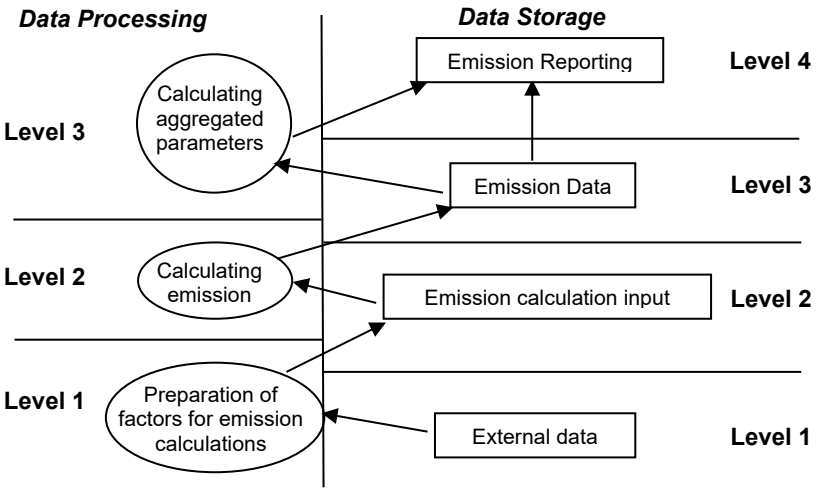


Figure 1.3 The general data structure for the emission inventory.

Key levels are defined in the data structure as:

Data storage Level 1, External data

Collection of external data for calculation of emission factors and activity data. The activity data are collected from different sectors and statistical surveys, typically reported on a yearly basis. The data consist of raw data, hav-

ing an identical format to the data received and gathered from external sources. Level 1 data acts as a base-set, on which all subsequent calculations are based. If alterations in calculation procedures are made, they are based on the same dataset. When new data are introduced, they can be implemented in accordance with the QA/QC structure of the inventory.

Data storage Level 2, Data directly usable for the inventory
This level represents data that have been prepared and compiled in a form that is directly applicable for calculation of emissions. The compiled data are structured in a database for internal use as a link between more or less raw data and data that are ready for reporting. The data are compiled in a way that elucidates the different approaches in emission assessment: (1) directly on measured emission rates, especially for larger point sources, (2) based on activities and emission factors, where the value setting of these factors are stored at this level.

Data storage Level 3, Emission data
The emission calculations are reported by the most detailed figures and divided in sectors. The unit at this level is typically mass per year for the country. For sources included in the SNAP system, the SNAP level 3 is relevant. Internal reporting is performed at this level to feed the external communication of results.

Data storage Level 4, Final reports for all subcategories
The complete emission inventory is reported to UNFCCC at this level by summing up the results from every subcategory.

Data processing Level 1 Compilation of external data
Preparation of input data for the emission inventory based on the external data sources. Some external data may be used directly as input to the data processing at level 2, while other data needs to be interpreted using more or less complicated models, which takes place at this level. The interpretation of activity data is to be seen in connection with availability of emission factors and vice versa. These models are compiled and processed as an integrated part of the inventory preparation.

Data processing Level 2 Calculation of inventory figures
The emission for every subcategory is calculated, including the uncertainty for all sectors and activities. The summation of all contributions from subsources makes up the inventory.

Data processing Level 3 Calculation aggregated parameters
Some aggregated parameters need to be reported as part of the final reporting. This does not involve complicated calculations but important figures, e.g. implied emission factors at a higher aggregated level to be compared in time series and with other countries.

1.6.6 Definition of Point of Measurements (*PM*)

The *CCP*s have to be based on clear measurable factors - otherwise the *QP* will end up being just a loose declaration of intent. Thus, in the following, a series of *Points for Measuring* (*PM*) is identified as building blocks for a solid *QC*. Table 8.1 in Good Practice Guidance is a listing of such *PM*s. However, the listing in Table 1.2 is an extended and modified listing, in comparison to Table 8.1 in the Good Practice Guidance supporting all the *CCP*s. The *PM*s will be routinely checked in the QC reporting and, when external reviews

take place, the reviewers will be asked to assess the fulfilment of the *PM*s using a checklist system. The list of *PM*s is continually evaluated and modified to offer the best possible support for the *CCP*s. The actual list used is seen in Table 1.4.

Table 1.4 The list of *PM*s as used.

Level	CCP	Id	Description	
Data Storage level 1	1. Accuracy	DS.1.1.1	General level of uncertainty for every dataset including the reasoning for the specific values	Sectoral
		DS.1.1.2	Quantification of the uncertainty level of every single data value, including the reasoning for the specific values.	Sectoral
	2. Comparability	DS1.2.1	Comparability of the data values with similar data from other countries, which are comparable with Denmark, and evaluation of the discrepancy.	Sectoral
	3.Completeness	DS.1.3.1	Documentation showing that all possible national data sources are included, by setting down the reasoning behind the selection of datasets.	Sectoral
	4.Consistency	DS.1.4.1	The origin of external data has to be preserved whenever possible without explicit arguments (referring to other PMs)	Sectoral
	6.Robustness	DS.1.6.1	Explicit agreements between the external institution holding the data and DCE about the conditions of delivery	Sectoral
		DS.1.6.2	At least two employees must have a detailed insight into the gathering of every external dataset.	General
	7.Transparency	DS.1.7.1	Summary of each dataset including the reasoning behind the selection of the specific dataset	Sectoral
		DS.1.7.2	The archiving of datasets needs to be easily accessible for any person in the emission inventory	General
		DS.1.7.3	References for citation for any external dataset have to be available for any single number in any dataset.	Sectoral
		DS.1.7.4	Listing of external contacts for every dataset	Sectoral
Data Processing level 1	1. Accuracy	DP.1.1.1	Uncertainty assessment for every data source as input to Data Storage level 2 in relation to type of variability. (Distribution as: normal, log normal or other type of variability)	Sectoral
		DP.1.1.2	Uncertainty assessment for every data source as input to Data Storage level 2 in relation to scale of variability (size of variation intervals)	Sectoral
		DP.1.1.3	Evaluation of the methodological approach using international guidelines	Sectoral
		DP.1.1.4	Verification of calculation results using guideline values	Sectoral
	2.Comparability	DP.1.2.1	The inventory calculation has to follow the international guidelines suggested by UNFCCC and IPCC.	Sectoral
	3.Completeness	DP.1.3.1	Assessment of the most important quantitative knowledge, which is lacking.	Sectoral
		DP.1.3.2	Assessment of the most important cases where access is lacking with regard to critical data sources that could improve quantitative knowledge.	Sectoral
	4.Consistency	DP.1.4.1	In order to keep consistency at a high level, an explicit description of the activities needs to accompany any change in the calculation procedure	Sectoral
		DP.1.4.2	Identification of parameters (e.g. activity data, constants) that are common to multiple source categories and confirmation that there is consistency in the values used for these parameters in the emission calculations	General
	5.Correctness	DP.1.5.1	Shows at least once, by independent calculation, the correctness of every data manipulation	Sectoral
		DP.1.5.2	Verification of calculation results using time series	Sectoral
		DP.1.5.3	Verification of calculation results using other measures	Sectoral
		DP.1.5.4	Show one-to-one correctness between external data sources and the databases at Data Storage level 2	Sectoral
	6.Robustness	DP.1.6.1	Any calculation must be anchored to two responsible persons who can replace each other in the technical issue of performing the calculations.	General
	7.Transparency	DP.1.7.1	The calculation principle and equations used must be described	Sectoral
		DP.1.7.2	The theoretical reasoning for all methods must be described	Sectoral

Level	CCP	Id	Description	
		DP.1.7.3	Explicit listing of assumptions behind all methods	Sectoral
		DP.1.7.4	Clear reference to dataset at Data Storage level 1	Sectoral
		DP.1.7.5	A manual log to collect information about recalculations	Sectoral
Data Storage level 2	2.Comparability	DS.2.2.1	Comparison with other countries that are closely related to Denmark and explanation of the largest discrepancies	General
	5.Correctness	DS.2.5.1	Documentation of a correct connection between all data types at level 2 to data at level 1	Sectoral
		DS.2.5.2	Check if a correct data import to level 2 has been made	Sectoral
	6.Robustness	DS.2.6.1	All persons in the inventory work must be able to handle and understand all data at level 2.	General
	7.Transparency	DS.2.7.1	The time trend for every single parameter must be graphically available and easy to map	General
Data Processing level 2	1. Accuracy	DP.2.1.1	Documentation of the methodological approach for the uncertainty analysis	General
		DP.2.1.2	Quantification of uncertainty	General
	2.Comparability	DP.2.2.1	The inventory calculation has to follow the international guidelines suggested by UNFCCC and IPCC	General
	6.Robustness	DP.2.6.1	Any calculation at level 4 must be anchored to two responsible persons who can replace each other in the technical issue of performing the calculations.	General
	7.Transparency	DP.2.7.1	Reporting of the calculation principle and equations used	General
		DP.2.7.2	The reasoning for the choice of methodology for uncertainty analysis needs to be written explicitly.	General
Data Storage level 3	1. Accuracy	DS.3.1.1	Quantification of uncertainty	General
	5.Correctness	DS.3.5.1	Comparison with inventories of the previous years on the level of the categories of the CRT as well as on SNAP source categories. Any major changes are checked, verified, etc.	General
		DS.3.5.2	Total emissions, when aggregated to CRT source categories, are compared with totals based on SNAP source categories (control of data transfer).	General
		DS.3.5.3	Checking of time series of the CRT and SNAP source categories as they are found in the Corinair databases. Considerable trends and changes are checked and explained.	General
	7. Transparency	DS.3.7.1	The databases and other software used shall be clearly documented. The documentation should include a description that the appropriate data processing steps are correctly represented in the database; that data relationships are correctly represented in the database and that data fields are properly labelled and have the correct design specifications.	General
		DS.3.7.2	The documentation referred to under DS.3.7.1 should be archived at the same network folder as the program is located in.	General
Data Processing level 3	6. Robustness	DP.3.6.1	The process of generating the official submissions must be anchored by at least two responsible persons who can replace each other in the technical issue of generating CRTs including of the aggregation of the submission for the Kingdom of Denmark.	General
	7. Transparency	DP.3.7.1	The databases and other software used shall be clearly documented. The documentation should include a description that the appropriate data processing steps are correctly represented in the database; that data relationships are correctly represented in the database and that data fields are properly labelled and have the correct design specifications.	General
	7. Transparency	DP.3.7.2	The documentation referred to under DP.3.7.1 should be archived at the same network folder as the program is located in.	General
Data Storage level 4	2.Comparability	DS.4.2.1	Description of similarities and differences in relation to other countries' inventories for the methodological approach.	General
	3.Completeness	DS.4.3.1	National and international verification including explanation of the discrepancies.	General

Level	CCP	Id	Description	
		DS.4.3.2	Check that the no sources where a methodology exists in the IPCC guidelines are reported as NE.	General
		DS.4.3.3	Check that no sources where methodology exists in the IPCC guidelines are reported as NE by Greenland and the Faroe Islands.	General
	4.Consistency	DS.4.4.1	The inventory reporting must follow the international guidelines suggested by UNFCCC and IPCC.	General
		DS.4.4.2	Check time series consistency of the reporting by Greenland and the Faroe Islands prior to aggregating the final submissions.	General
		DS.4.4.3	The IEFs from the CRTs are checked regarding both level and trend. The level is compared to relevant emission factors to ensure correctness. Large dips/jumps in the time series are explained.	Sectoral
	5.Correctness	DS.4.5.1	Check that the aggregated submissions for Denmark under the UNFCCC match the sum of the individual submissions.	General
		DS.4.5.2	Check that additional information and information related to land-use changes has been correctly aggregated compared to the individual submissions of Denmark, Greenland and the Faroe Islands.	Sectoral
	6. Robustness	DS.4.6.1	The reporting to the UNFCCC must be anchored to two responsible persons who can replace each other in the technical issue of reporting to and communicating with the UNFCCC secretariat.	General
	7.Transparency	DS.4.7.1	Perform QA on the documentation report provided by the Governments of Greenland and the Faroe Islands.	General

1.6.7 Plan for the quality work

The IPCC uses the concept of a tiered approach, i.e. a stepwise approach, where complexity, advancement and comprehensiveness increase. Generally, more detailed and advanced methods are recommended in order to give guidance to countries, which have more detailed datasets and more capacity, as well as to countries with less available data and manpower. The tiered approach helps to focus attention on the areas of the inventories that are relatively weak, rather than investing effort in irrelevant areas. Furthermore, the IPCC guidelines recommend using higher tier methods for key categories in particular. Therefore, the identification of key categories is crucial for planning quality work. However, several issues regarding the listing of priority categories exist: (1) The contribution to the total emission figure (key source listing); (2) The contribution to the total uncertainty; (3) Most critical categories in relation to implementation of new methodologies and thus highest risk for miscalculations. All the points listed are necessary for different aspects of producing high quality work. These listings will be used to secure implementation of the full quality scheme for the most relevant categories. Verification in relation to other countries has been undertaken for priority categories.

1.6.8 Implementation of the QA/QC plan

The PMs listed in Table 1.2 are described for each sector in the QA/QC sections of Chapters 3-8, where a status with regard to implementation is also given. Some of the PMs are the same for all sectors and a common description for these PMs is given in Section 1.6.10, below. The focus has been on level 1 for both data storage and data processing as this is the most labour-intensive part. The quality system will be evaluated and adjusted continuously.

1.6.9 Archiving of data and documentations

The QA/QC work is supported by an inventory file system, where all data, models and QA/QC procedures and checks are stored as files in folders (Figure 1.4).

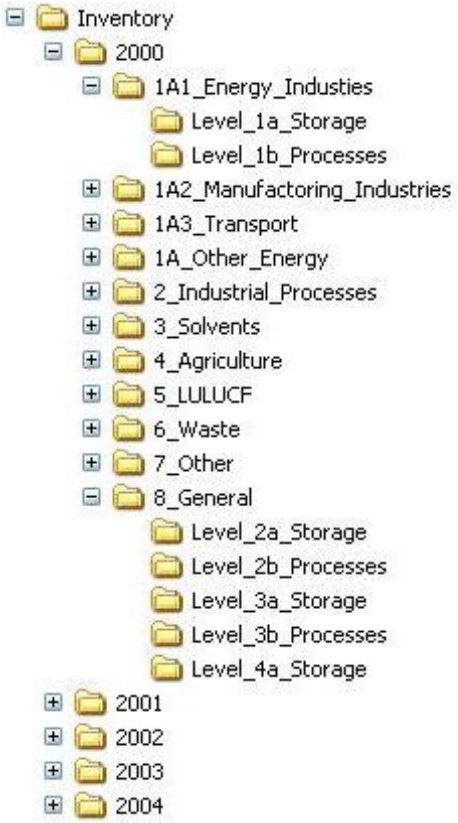


Figure 1.4 Schematic diagram of the folder structure in the inventory file system.

The inventory file system consists of the following levels: year, sector and the level for the process of the inventory work, as illustrated in Figure 1.4. The first level in the file system is year, which here means the inventory year and not the calendar year. The sector level contains the PMs relevant for the individual sectors i.e. the first levels (DS1 and DP1) (except the PMs described in Section 1.6.10), while the rest of the PMs (DS2-4 and DP2-3), are common for all sectors.

All data, models and other QA/QC related files are stored in the inventory file system and are accessible for all staff involved in the inventory work.

1.6.10 Common QA/QC PMs

The following PMs are common for all the sectors:

Data storage Level 1

Data Storage level 1	6. Robustness	DS.1.6.2	At least two employees must have a detailed insight into the gathering of every external dataset.

For all sectors: energy, industrial processes and product use, agriculture, LULUCF and waste, two persons have detailed insight in data gathering and processing. A strong effort is continuously made to ensure the robustness of the inventory process.

Data Storage level 1	7. Transparency	DS.1.7.2	The archiving of datasets needs to be easily accessible for any person involved in the emission inventory.

All data, models and other QA/QC related files are stored in the inventory file system and are accessible for all inventory staff members. Refer to Section 1.6.9.

Data processing Level 1

Data Processing level 1	4. Consistency	DP.1.4.2	Identification of parameters (e.g. activity data, constants) that are common to multiple source categories and confirmation that there is consistency in the values used for these parameters in the emission calculations.

This PM is supported by the inventory file system where it is possible to compare and harmonise parameters that are common to multiple source categories.

Data Processing level 1	6.Robustness	DP.1.6.1	Any calculation must be anchored to two responsible persons who can replace each other in the technical issue of performing the calculations.

All data, models and other QA/QC related files are stored in the inventory file system and are accessible for all inventory staff members. Refer to Section 1.6.9.

Data storage Level 2

Data Storage level 2	2.Comparability	DS.2.2.1	Comparison with other countries that are closely related to Denmark and explanation of the largest discrepancies.

Systematic inter-country comparison has only been made on data storage level 4. Refer to DS 4.3.2.

Data Storage level 2	6.Robustness	DS.2.6.1	All persons in the inventory work must be able to handle and understand all data at level 2.

This PM is fulfilled for all sectors. The PM is supported by the inventory file system. Refer to Section 1.6.9.

Data Storage level 2	7.Transparency	DS.2.7.1	The time trend for every single parameter must be graphically available and easy to map.

Programs exist to make time series for all parameters. A tool for graphically showing time series has not yet been developed.

Data Processing Level 2

Data Processing level 2	1. Accuracy	DP.2.1.1	Documentation of the methodological approach for the uncertainty analysis

Refer to Chapter 1.7.

Data Processing level 2	1. Accuracy	DP.2.1.2	Quantification of uncertainty

Refer to Chapter 1.7 and the uncertainty sections in the sectoral chapters (Chapter 3-7).

Data Processing level 2	2.Comparability	DP.2.2.1	The inventory calculation has to follow the international guidelines suggested by UN-FCCC and IPCC.

The emission calculations follow the international guidelines.

Data Processing level 2	6.Robustness	DS.2.6.1	All persons in the inventory work must be able to handle and understand all data at level 2.

At present, the emission calculations are carried out using applications developed at DCE. The software development and programme runs are anchored to two inventory staff members.

Data Processing level 2	7.Transparency	DP.2.7.1	Reporting of the calculation principle and equations used.

Due to the uniform treatment of input data in the calculation routines used by the DCE software programmes, a central documentation of calculation principles, equations, theoretical reasoning and assumptions must be given, treating all national emission sources. This documentation remains to be made but is planned to be carried out in the future.

Data Processing level 2	7.Transparency	DP.2.7.2	The reasoning for the choice of methodology for uncertainty analysis needs to be written explicitly.

Refer to Chapter 1.7 and the QA/QC sections in the sectoral chapters.

Data storage Level 3

Data Storage level 3	1. Accuracy	DS.3.1.1	Quantification of uncertainty

Refer to Chapter 1.7 and the QA/QC sections in the sector chapters.

Data Storage level 3	5.Correctness	DS.3.5.1	Comparison with inventories of the previous years on the level of the categories of the CRT as well as on SNAP source categories. Any major changes are checked, verified, etc.

Time series is prepared and checked, any major change is closely examined with the purpose of verifying and explaining changes from earlier inventories.

Data Storage level 3	5.Correctness	DS.3.5.2	Total emissions when aggregated to CRT source categories are compared with totals based on SNAP source categories (control of data transfer).

Total emission, when aggregated to IPCC and LRTAP reporting tables, is compared with totals based on SNAP source categories (control of data transfer).

Data Storage level 3	5.Correctness	DS.3.5.3	Checking of time series of the CRT and SNAP source categories as they are found in the Corinair databases. Considerable trends and changes are checked and explained.

Time series are prepared and checked, any major change is closely examined with the purpose of verifying and explaining fluctuations.

Data Storage level 3	7. Transparency	DS.3.7.1	The databases and other software used shall be clearly documented. The documentation should include a description that the appropriate data processing steps are correctly represented in the database; that data relationships are correctly represented in the database and that data fields are properly labelled and have the correct design specifications.

The databases used at data storage level 3 are documented. The documentation includes description of the queries and programming code used in the data processing. The documentation further includes information on all data fields in the database and the design specifications. Part of the detailed documentation is built into the database while the overall documentation is prepared as a separate documentation note.

Data Storage level 3	7. Transparency	DS.3.7.2	The documentation referred to under DS.3.7.1 should be archived at the same network folder as the program is located in.

The documentation prepared as part of DS.3.7.1 is archived in the same folder as the program is stored. For information on the file structure, please see Chapter 1.6.9.

Data Processing Level 3

Data Processing level 3	6. Robustness	DP.3.6.1	The process of generating the official submissions must be anchored by at least two responsible persons who can replace each other in the technical issue of generating CRTs including of the aggregation of the submission for the Kingdom of Denmark.

The process of generating the official submissions including the aggregation of submissions to the UNFCCC is currently anchored by two people within the team. In the future, the goal is to have three team members capable of completing this task.

Data Processing level 3	7. Transparency	DP.3.7.1	The databases and other software used shall be clearly documented. The documentation should include a description that the appropriate data processing steps are correctly represented in the database; that data relationships are correctly represented in the database and that data fields are properly labelled and have the correct design specifications.

The databases used at data storage level 3 are documented. The documentation includes description of the queries and programming code used in the data processing. The documentation further includes information on all data fields in the database and the design specifications. Part of the detailed documentation is built into the database while the overall documentation is prepared as a separate documentation note.

Data Processing level 3	7. Transparency	DP.3.7.2	The documentation referred to under DS.3.7.1 should be archived at the same network folder as the program is located in.

The documentation prepared as part of DS.3.7.1 is archived in the same folder as the program is stored. For information on the file structure, please see Chapter 1.6.9.

Data Storage Level 4

Data Storage level 4	2.Comparability	DS.4.2.1	Description of similarities and differences in relation to other countries' inventories for the methodological approach

For each key source category, a comparison has been made between Denmark and the EU-15 countries (Fauser et al., 2007 & 2013). This is performed by comparing emission density indicators, defined as emission intensity value divided by a chosen indicator. The indicators are identical to the ones identified in the Norwegian verification inventory (Holtskog et al., 2000). The correlation between emissions and an independent indicator does not necessarily imply cause and effect, but in cases where the indicator is directly associated with the emission intensity value, such as for the energy sector, the emission density indicator is a measure of the implied emission factor and a direct comparison can be made. A qualitative verification of implied emission factors can be made when a measured or theoretical value of the CO_2 content in the respective fuel type (or other relevant parameter) is available. For the energy sector, all countries are, in principle, comparable and inter-country deviations arise from variations in fuel purities and fuel combustion efficiencies. A comparison of national emission density indicators, analogous to the implied emission factors, will give valuable information on the quality and efficiency of the national energy sectors.

Furthermore, the inter-country comparison of emission density indicators and comparison of theoretical values gives a methodological verification of the derivation of emission intensity values, and of the correlation between emission intensity values and activity values.

When emissions are compared with non-dependent parameters, similarities with regard to geography, climate, industry structure and level of economic

development may be necessary for obtaining comparable emission density indicators.

Data Storage level 4	3.Completeness	DS.4.3.1	National and international validation including explanation of the discrepancies.

Refer to DS 4.2.1

Data Storage level 4	3.Completeness	DS.4.3.2	Check that the no sources where a methodology exists in the IPCC guidelines are reported as NE.

It is verified both by DCE experts and by EU consistency checks that no sources where methodologies and default parameters exist have been reported as NE. If methodologies do exist efforts are made to estimate and report emissions.

Data Storage level 4	4.Consistency	DS.4.4.1	The inventory reporting must follow the international guidelines suggested by UNFCCC and IPCC.

The inventory reporting is in accordance with the UNFCCC reporting guidelines (UNFCCC, 2018 & 2021). The present report includes detailed and complete information on the inventories for all years from the base year to the year of the current annual inventory submission, in order to ensure the transparency of the inventory. The annual emission inventory for Denmark is reported in the Common Reporting Tables (CRTs) as requested in the reporting guidelines. The CRT-spreadsheets contain data on emissions, activity data and implied emission factors for each year. Emission trends are given for each greenhouse gas and for total greenhouse gas emissions in CO_2 equivalents. The link to complete sets of CRT-files and more information on the Danish emission inventories are on the ENVS homepage (http://envs.au.dk/videnudveksling/luft/emissioner/emissioninventory).

Data Storage level 4	4.Consistency	DS.4.4.2	Check time series consistency of the reporting of Greenland and the Faroe Islands prior to aggregating the final submissions.

The time series for all pollutants in the submissions from Greenland and the Faroe Islands are checked at the CRT 3 level for large variations in the time series. Any large variations are explained or corrected in cooperation with the authorities in Greenland and the Faroe Islands.

Data Storage level 4	5.Correctness	DS.4.5.1	Check that the aggregated submission for Denmark under the UNFCCC matches the sum of the individual submissions.

To ensure that the submission for Denmark under the UNFCCC matches the sum of the submissions of Denmark, Greenland and the Faroe Islands a spreadsheet check has been implemented to ensure complete correctness of the submitted inventory. Special attention is paid to the additional information provided in the CRT, e.g. for the agricultural sector. Certain parameters cannot simply be added, e.g. animal weights. In these cases, a weighted average is reported in the CRTs.

Data Storage level 4	6. Robustness	DS.4.6.1	The reporting to the UNFCCC must be anchored to two responsible persons who can replace each other in the technical issue of reporting to and communicating with the UNFCCC secretariat.

The reporting to the UNFCCC secretariat is currently anchored by two team members. All official correspondence between the secretariat and DCE involves both the responsible team members.

Data Storage level 4	7.Transparency	DS.4.7.1	Perform QA on the documentation reports provided by the Government of Greenland and the Faroe Islands.

The documentation reports are received by DCE from the Government of Greenland and the Faroe Islands in the early spring every year. The documentation reports are included in the NID as Chapters 11 and 12. DCE experts read and provide comments on the report to the Government of Greenland, so that any questions are resolved prior to the UNFCCC reporting deadline of April 15.

1.7 General uncertainty evaluation, including data on the overall uncertainty for the inventory totals

1.7.1 Tier 1 uncertainties

The uncertainty estimates are based on the Approach 1 methodology in the 2006 IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006). Uncertainty estimates for all sectors are included in the current year. The sources included in the uncertainty estimate cover 100 % of the total net Danish greenhouse gas emissions and removals.

The uncertainties for the activity rates and emission factors are shown in Table 1.5.

Table 1.5 Summary of 1990 and 2024 emissions in kt CO_2 equivalents and activity data and emission factor uncertainties. Calculated Approach 1 uncertainties for each emission source are given as percentage of the total 2024 emission.

IPCC Source category	Gas	1990 emission	2024 emission	Activity data uncertainty	Emission factor uncertainty	Approach 1 Combined uncertainty % of total emissions
		kt CO_2 eqv	kt CO_2 eqv.	%	%	
1A Stationary combustion, Coal, ETS data, CO_2	CO_2	0.0	1652.3	0.5	0.3	0.583
1A Stationary combustion, Coal, no ETS data, CO_2	CO_2	23826.7	34.0	1.7	1.0	1.958
1A Stationary combustion, BKB, CO_2	CO_2	11.3	0.0	2.9	5.0	5.774
1A Stationary combustion, Coke oven coke, CO_2	CO_2	136.5	32.6	1.6	5.0	5.241
1A Stationary combustion, Fossil waste, ETS data, CO_2	CO_2	0.0	1590.8	2.0	3.0	3.606
1A Stationary combustion, Fossil waste, no ETS data, CO_2	CO_2	573.5	390.0	5.0	10.0	11.180
1A Stationary combustion, Petroleum coke, ETS data, CO_2	CO_2	0.0	342.4	0.5	0.5	0.707
1A Stationary combustion, Petroleum coke, no ETS data, CO_2	CO_2	414.7	5.4	2.0	5.0	5.385
1A Stationary combustion, Residual oil, ETS data, CO_2	CO_2	0.0	64.9	0.5	0.5	0.707
1A Stationary combustion, Residual oil, no ETS data, CO_2	CO_2	2526.6	34.5	1.2	2.0	2.340
1A Stationary combustion, Gas oil, CO_2	CO_2	5443.2	785.4	1.9	1.3	2.339
1A Stationary combustion, Kerosene, CO_2	CO_2	367.6	0.1	2.6	3.0	3.999
1A Stationary combustion, LPG, CO_2	CO_2	195.3	202.9	1.8	4.0	4.401
1A1b Stationary combustion, Petroleum refining, Refinery	CO2	816.1	810.4	1.0	0.5	1.118

IPCC Source category	Gas	1990 emission	2024 emission	Activity data uncertainty	Emission factor uncertainty	Approach 1 Combined uncertainty % of total emissions
		kt CO_2 eqv	kt CO_2 eqv.	%	%	
gas, CO_2						
1A Stationary combustion, Natural gas, onshore, CO_2	CO_2	3810.3	2450.0	1.4	0.4	1.503
1A1c_ii Stationary combustion, Oil and gas extraction, Offshore gas turbines, Natural gas, CO_2	CO_2	524.8	910.9	0.5	0.5	0.707
1A1 Stationary Combustion, Solid fuels, CH_4	CH_4	6.0	0.4	1	100	100.005
1A1 Stationary Combustion, Liquid fuels, CH_4	CH_4	0.8	0.6	1	100	100.005
1A1 Stationary Combustion, not engines, gaseous fuels, CH_4	CH_4	0.9	1.0	1	100	100.005
1A1 Stationary Combustion, Waste, CH_4	CH_4	0.2	0.4	3	100	100.045
1A1 Stationary Combustion, not engines, Biomass, CH_4	CH_4	3.7	16.8	3	100	100.045
1A2 Stationary Combustion, solid fuels, CH_4	CH_4	4.2	0.5	2	100	100.020
1A2 Stationary Combustion, Liquid fuels, CH_4	CH_4	1.0	0.4	2	100	100.020
1A2 Stationary Combustion, not engines, gaseous fuels, CH_4	CH_4	0.7	0.5	2	100	100.020
1A2 Stationary Combustion, Waste, CH_4	CH_4	0.0	2.6	3	100	100.045
1A2 Stationary Combustion, not engines, Biomass, CH_4	CH_4	1.8	1.7	3	100	100.045
1A4 Stationary Combustion, Solid fuels, CH_4	CH_4	7.0	0.0	3	100	100.045
1A4 Stationary Combustion, Liquid fuels, CH_4	CH_4	3.4	0.3	3	100	100.045
1A4 Stationary Combustion, not engines, gaseous fuels, CH_4	CH_4	18.5	11.6	3	100	100.045
1A4 Stationary Combustion, Waste, CH_4	CH_4	0.8	0.0	3	100	100.045
1A4 Stationary Combustion, not engines, not residential wood and not residential/agricultural straw, Biomass, CH_4	CH_4	0.1	7.5	3	100	100.045
1A4b_i Stationary combustion, Residential wood combustion, CH_4	CH_4	81.0	33.1	10	150	150.333
1A4b_i/1A4c_i Stationary Combustion, Residential and agricultural straw combustion, CH_4	CH_4	71.2	35.7	10	150	150.333
1A Stationary combustion, Natural gas fuelled engines, gaseous fuels, CH_4	CH_4	6.2	30.4	1	2	2.236
1A Stationary combustion, Biogas fuelled engines, Biomass, CH_4	CH_4	2.6	58.6	3	10	10.440
1A1 Stationary Combustion, Solid fuels, N_2O	N_2O	51.1	3.4	1	400	400.001
1A1 Stationary Combustion, Liquid fuels, N_2O	N_2O	2.5	1.3	1	1000	1000.000
1A1 Stationary Combustion, Gaseous fuels, N_2O	N_2O	10.5	6.9	1	750	750.001
1A1 Stationary Combustion, Waste, N_2O	N_2O	4.6	12.6	3	400	400.011
1A1 Stationary Combustion, Biomass, N_2O	N_2O	7.4	43.7	3	400	400.011
1A2 Stationary Combustion, Solid fuels, N_2O	N_2O	6.0	2.1	2	400	400.005
1A2 Stationary Combustion, Liquid fuels, N_2O	N_2O	26.1	3.0	2	1000	1000.002
1A2 Stationary Combustion, Gaseous fuels, N_2O	N_2O	6.4	8.4	2	750	750.003
1A2 Stationary Combustion, Waste, N_2O	N_2O	0.0	3.3	3	400	400.011
1A2 Stationary Combustion, Biomass, N_2O	N_2O	10.7	14.5	3	400	400.011
1A4 Stationary Combustion, Solid fuels, N_2O	N_2O	1.3	0.0	3	400	400.011
1A4 Stationary Combustion, Liquid fuels, N_2O	N_2O	10.5	0.8	3	1000	1000.004
1A4 Stationary Combustion, Gaseous fuels, N_2O	N_2O	6.9	4.0	3	750	750.006
1A4 Stationary Combustion, Waste, N_2O	N_2O	1.0	0.0	3	400	400.011
1A4 Stationary Combustion, not residential wood and not residential/agricultural straw, Biomass, N_2O	N_2O	0.4	4.4	3	400	400.011
1A4b_i Stationary Combustion, Residential wood combustion, N_2O	N_2O	10.8	21.0	10	500	500.100
1A4b_i/1A4c_i Stationary Combustion, Residential and agricultural straw combustion, N_2O	N_2O	9.0	5.1	10	500	500.100

IPCC Source category	Gas	1990 emission	2024 emission	Activity data uncertainty	Emission factor uncertainty	Approach 1 Combined uncertainty % of total emissions
		kt CO_2 eqv	kt CO_2 eqv.	%	%	
1.A.2.g Industry (mobile)	CO_2	532.1	674.6	41	5	41.304
1.A.3.a Civil aviation	CO_2	214.7	124.2	10	5	11.180
1.A.3.b Road Transport	CO_2	9336.7	9846.8	2	5	5.385
1.A.3.c Railways	CO_2	297.1	165.6	2	5	5.385
1.A.3.d Navigation (large vessels)	CO_2	708.8	408.3	11	5	12.083
1.A.4.a Commercial/Institutional (mobile)	CO_2	151.8	161.9	35	5	35.355
1.A.4.b Residential (mobile)	CO_2	25.6	22.9	35	5	35.355
1.A.4.c ii Agriculture (mobile)	CO_2	558.6	637.3	24	5	24.515
1.A.4.c ii Forestry (mobile)	CO_2	35.9	44.6	30	5	30.414
1.A.4.c iii Fisheries	CO_2	640.8	335.7	2	5	5.385
1.A.5.b Other (military)	CO_2	48.0	92.0	41	5	41.304
1.A.5.b Other (small boats)	CO_2	119.0	65.1	2	5	5.385
1.A.2.g Industry (mobile)	CH_4	1.3	0.5	41	100	108.079
1.A.3.a Civil aviation	CH_4	0.1	0.0	10	100	100.499
1.A.3.b Road Transport	CH_4	88.3	6.5	2	40	40.050
1.A.3.c Railways	CH_4	0.3	0.1	2	100	100.020
1.A.3.d Navigation (large vessels)	CH_4	0.3	0.3	11	100	100.603
1.A.4.a Commercial/Institutional (mobile)	CH_4	0.9	0.6	35	100	105.948
1.A.4.b Residential (mobile)	CH_4	1.3	0.5	35	100	105.948
1.A.4.c ii Agriculture (mobile)	CH_4	1.3	0.8	24	100	102.840
1.A.4.c ii Forestry (mobile)	CH_4	4.5	0.4	30	100	104.403
1.A.4.c iii Fisheries	CH_4	0.2	0.1	2	100	100.020
1.A.5.b Other (military)	CH_4	2.1	0.2	41	100	108.079
1.A.5.b Other (small boats)	CH_4	0.1	0.0	2	100	100.020
1.A.2.g Industry (mobile)	N_2O	5.4	8.4	41	1000	1000.840
1.A.3.a Civil aviation	N_2O	2.7	1.5	10	1000	1000.050
1.A.3.b Road Transport	N_2O	78.4	245.6	2	50	50.040
1.A.3.c Railways	N_2O	2.4	1.4	2	1000	1000.002
1.A.3.d Navigation (large vessels)	N_2O	4.7	2.7	11	1000	1000.060
1.A.4.a Commercial/Institutional (mobile)	N_2O	1.5	1.7	35	1000	1000.612
1.A.4.b Residential (mobile)	N_2O	0.1	0.1	35	1000	1000.612
1.A.4.c ii Agriculture (mobile)	N_2O	5.6	8.1	24	1000	1000.288
1.A.4.c ii Forestry (mobile)	N_2O	0.1	0.6	30	1000	1000.450
1.A.4.c iii Fisheries	N_2O	4.2	2.2	2	1000	1000.002
1.A.5.b Other (military)	N_2O	0.3	0.9	41	1000	1000.840
1.A.5.b Other (small boats)	N_2O	1.0	1.2	2	1000	1000.002
1.B.2.a.1 Exploration	CO_2	4.7	0.0	2	10	10.198
1.B.2.a.4 Refining/storage	CO_2	0.0	0.1	2	40	40.050
1.B.2.b.1 Exploration	CO_2	8.2	0.0	2	10	10.198
1.B.2.b.2 Production	CO_2	0.5	0.0	2	70	70.029
1.B.2.b.4 Transmission and storage	CO_2	0.0	0.0	15	2	15.133
1.B.2.b.5 Distribution	CO_2	0.0	0.0	25	10	26.926
1.B.2.b.6 Post-meter	CO_2	0.0	0.0	15	60	61.847
1.B.2.c.1.ii Venting	CO_2	0.0	0.0	15	2	15.133
1.B.2.c.2.i Flaring, oil	CO_2	22.9	16.1	11	2	11.180
1.B.2.c.2.ii Flaring, gas	CO_2	2.1	1.2	7.5	2	7.762
1.B.2.c.2.iii Flaring, combined	CO_2	302.6	93.2	7.5	2	7.762
1.B.2.a.1 Exploration	CH_4	0.0	0.0	2	125	125.016
1.B.2.a.3 Transport	CH_4	13.8	0.5	2	50	50.040
1.B.2.a.4 Refining/storage	CH_4	34.3	11.2	1	200	200.002
1.B.2.a.6 Abandoned wells	CH_4	0.0	0.0	1	120	120.004

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		kt CO_2 eqv	kt CO_2 eqv.	%	%	
1.B.2.b.1 Exploration	CH_4	0.9	0.0	2	125	125.016
1.B.2.b.2 Production	CH_4	231.2	49.1	2	130	130.015
1.B.2.b.4 Transmission and storage	CH_4	4.0	4.5	15	2	15.133
1.B.2.b.5 Distribution	CH_4	7.3	16.2	25	10	26.926
1.B.2.b.6 Post-meter	CH_4	3.2	2.1	15	60	61.847
1.B.2.c.1.ii Venting	CH_4	1.9	6.8	15	2	15.133
1.B.2.c.2.i Flaring, oil	CH_4	0.2	0.1	11	15	18.601
1.B.2.c.2.ii Flaring, gas	CH_4	0.3	0.1	7.5	2	7.762
1.B.2.c.2.iii Flaring, combined	CH_4	32.0	9.8	7.5	125	125.225
1.B.2.a.1 Exploration, oil	N_2O	0.0	0.0	2	1000	1000.002
1.B.2.c.2.i Flaring, oil	N_2O	0.1	0.0	11	1000	1000.060
1.B.2.c.2.ii Flaring, gas	N_2O	0.0	0.0	7.5	1000	1000.028
1.B.2.c.2.iii Flaring, combined	N_2O	0.1	0.0	7.5	1000	1000.028
2A1 Cement production	CO_2	774.7	869.6	2	2	2.561
2A2 Lime production	CO_2	51.0	1.1	1	4	4.228
2A3 Glass production	CO_2	16.5	9.1	1	2	2.236
2A4a Ceramics	CO_2	46.1	35.0	5	2	5.385
2A4b Other uses of soda ash	CO_2	13.8	12.6	5	2	5.385
2A4d Other process uses of carbonates	CO_2	17.0	11.3	4	2	4.472
2B10 Production of catalysts	CO_2	0.6	3.3	5	5	7.071
2C1a Steel	CO_2	30.3	0.0	5	10	11.180
2C5 Lead production	CO_2	0.2	0.1	10	50	50.990
2D1 Lubricant use	CO_2	49.7	31.7	5	10	11.180
2D2 Paraffin wax use	CO_2	21.7	51.6	10	20	22.361
2D3 Urea based catalysts	CO_2	0.0	8.9	5	10	11.180
2G4 Fireworks	CO_2	0.1	0.2	5	50	50.249
2D2 Paraffin wax use	CH_4	0.0	0.1	10	20	22.361
2D3 Road paving with asphalt	CH_4	0.3	0.7	5	75	75.166
2G4 Fireworks	CH_4	0.0	0.1	5	50	50.249
2G4 Tobacco	CH_4	1.2	0.4	5	50	50.249
2G4 Charcoal	CH_4	1.2	0.3	5	100	100.125
2B2 Nitric acid production	N_2O	891.5	0.0	2	25	25.080
2B10 Production of catalysts	N_2O	0.0	34.3	5	5	7.071
2D2 Paraffin wax use	N_2O	0.0	0.1	10	20	22.361
2G3a Medical application of N_2O	N_2O	10.1	10.1	25	20	32.016
2G3b N_2O as propellant for pressure and aerosol products	N_2O	4.7	4.3	100	150	180.278
2G4 Fireworks	N_2O	0.7	2.1	5	50	50.249
2G4 Tobacco	N_2O	0.2	0.1	5	50	50.249
2G4 Charcoal	N_2O	0.1	0.0	5	100	100.125
2E Electronics industry	HFCs	0.0	0.0	0	0	0.000
2F1 Refrigeration and air conditioning	HFCs	0.0	257.2	10	50	50.990
2F2 Foam blowing agents	HFCs	0.0	0.4	10	50	50.990
2F4 Aerosols	HFCs	0.0	11.5	10	50	50.990
2E Electronics industry	PFCs	0.0	0.0	10	50	50.990
2F1 Refrigeration and air conditioning	PFCs	0.0	0.0	10	50	50.990
2C4 Magnesium production	SF_6	30.6	0.0	10	30	31.623
2G1 Electrical equipment	SF_6	1.4	12.1	10	50	50.990
2G2 SF_6 and PFCs from other product use	SF_6	7.1	0.4	10	50	50.990
3A Enteric Fermentation	CH_4	4341.2	3876.3	2	24	24.083
3B Manure Management	CH_4	2964.4	3071.3	25	25	35.355
3F Field Burning of Agricultural Residues	CH_4	1.9	2.0	25	105	107.935
3B Manure Management	N_2O	676.6	382.0	26	100	103.325

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		kt CO_2 eqv	kt CO_2 eqv.	%	%	
3B5 Atmospheric deposition	N_2O	242.6	119.2	36	21	41.677
3Da1 Inorganic N fertilizer	N_2O	1667.4	971.2	20	80	82.462
3Da2a Animal manure applied to soils	N_2O	868.7	751.2	26	80	84.119
3Da2b Sewage sludge applied to soils	N_2O	13.0	28.5	72	80	107.629
3Da2c Other organic fertilizer applied to soils	N_2O	6.4	18.0	26	80	84.119
3Da3 Urine and dung deposited by grazing animals	N_2O	59.7	24.8	10	250	250.200
3Da4 Crop Residues	N_2O	734.7	761.8	81	80	113.846
3Da5 Mineralization	N_2O	182.9	89.5	50	80	94.340
3Da6 Cultivation of organic soils	N_2O	717.3	349.6	50	40	64.031
3Db1 Atmospheric deposition	N_2O	539.7	237.4	15	21	25.807
3Db2 Leaching	N_2O	866.0	484.6	35	100	105.948
3F Field Burning of Agricultural Residues	N_2O	0.3	0.3	25	44	50.606
3G Liming	CO_2	565.5	175.2	10	50	50.990
3H Urea applicaton	CO_2	14.7	4.4	20	50	53.852
3I Other carbon-containing fertilizers	CO_2	33.3	5.2	20	50	53.852
4.A.1 Forest land remaining forest land, Living biomass	CO_2	-216.9	-2173.6	5	2	5.322
4.A.1 Forest land remaining forest land, Dead organic matter	CO_2	-115.4	-146.1	5	3	5.983
4.A.1 Forest land remaining forest land, Mineral soils	CO_2	-250.7	-272.8	5	50	50.249
4.A.1 Forest land remaining forest land, Organic soils	CO_2	151.6	141.5	10	50	50.990
4.A.2 Land converted to forest land	CO_2	-1075.0	-1091.8	10	8	13.098
4.B.1 Cropland remaining cropland, Living biomass	CO_2	-51.2	-53.4	3	15	15.207
4.B.1 Cropland remaining cropland, Mineral soils	CO_2	923.2	35.0	3	75	75.042
4.B.1 Cropland remaining cropland, Organic soils	CO_2	5221.0	1605.5	3	50	50.109
4.B.2 Forest land converted to cropland	CO_2	0.0	56.8	10	50	50.990
4.B.2 Other land uses converted to cropland	CO_2	63.2	-19.1	10	50	50.990
4(II) Cropland on organic soils	CO_2	196.2	59.2	3	40	40.136
4.C.1 Grassland remaining grassland, Living biomass	CO_2	0.0	0.0	3	7	7.433
4.C.1 Grassland remaining grassland, Organic soils	CO_2	480.9	852.1	3	50	50.109
4.C.2 Forest land converted to grassland	CO_2	0.0	12.3	10	50	50.990
4.C.2 Other land uses converted to grassland	CO_2	71.8	51.0	10	50	50.990
4(II) Grassland on organic soils	CO_2	30.6	53.0	3	40	40.136
4.D.1.1 Peat extraction remaining peat extraction	CO_2	109.2	40.9	10	75	75.664
4.D.1.2 Flooded land remaining flooded land	CO_2	0.0	0.0	10	75	75.664
4.D.2. Land converted to wetlands	CO_2	0.5	-2.0	10	75	75.664
4.E.2 Forest land converted to settlements	CO_2	0.0	62.4	10	75	75.664
4.E.2 Other land uses converted to settlements	CO_2	447.1	186.0	10	75	75.664
4.G Harvested wood products	CO_2	-2.4	7.6	25	75	79.057
4(II) Cropland on organic soils	CH_4	297.4	97.7	10	90	90.554
4(II) Grassland on organic soils	CH_4	83.8	138.6	10	90	90.554
4(II) A. Forest land, organic soils	CH_4	5.5	41.2	10	90	90.554
4(II) Land converted to flodded land	CH_4	0.0	31.6	10	90	90.554
4(II) Land converted to partly water covered land	CH_4	0.0	124.8	10	90	90.554
4(II) Peatland	CH_4	1.5	0.7	10	90	90.554
4(V) Biomass Burning, Forest	CH_4	0.7	0.0	10	30	31.623
4(V) Biomass Burning, Grassland	CH_4	0.0	0.0	10	30	31.623
4(III) Mineralization/immobilization, Forest land	N_2O	0.0	0.0	10	90	90.554
4(III) Mineralization/immobilization, Cropland	N_2O	0.0	6.5	10	90	90.554
4(III) Mineralization/immobilization, Grassland	N_2O	0.0	0.1	10	90	90.554
4(III) Mineralization/immobilization, Land converted to Settlements	N_2O	37.9	16.3	10	90	90.554

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		kt CO_2 eqv	kt CO_2 eqv.	%	%	
4(V) Biomass burning, Forest	N_2O	0.4	0.0	10	30	31.623
4(V) Biomass burning, Grassland	N_2O	0.0	0.0	10	30	31.623
4(II) Drainage and rewetting, Forest soils	N_2O	28.7	22.1	10	50	50.990
4(II) Peat extraction remaining peat extraction	N_2O	0.2	0.1	10	50	50.990
5.E Accidental fires	CO_2	16.5	12.4	20	500	500.400
5.A Solid waste disposal	CH_4	1272.4	211.6	10	105	105.594
5.B.1 Composting	CH_4	24.1	70.9	20	100	101.980
5.B.2. Anaerobic digestion at biogas facilities	CH_4	6.2	450.4	5	20	20.616
5.C.1 Incineration of corpses	CH_4	0.0	0.0	1	150	150.003
5.C.2 Incineration of carcasses	CH_4	0.0	0.0	40	150	155.242
5.D.1 Municipal wastewater treatment	CH_4	7.3	8.1	10	900	900.555
5.D.1 Anaerobic treatment plants	CH_4	17.0	42.8	6	25	25.612
5.D.1 Septic tanks	CH_4	42.0	29.4	20	100	102.470
5.D.1 Municipal wastewater effluent	CH_4	55.6	14.9	10	104	104.881
5.D.2 Industrial wastewater effluent	CH_4	118.6	3.7	10	104	104.881
5.E Accidental fires	CH_4	7.2	5.7	20	500	500.400
5.B.1 Composting	N_2O	13.1	45.3	20	100	101.980
5.C.1 Incineration of corpses	N_2O	0.2	0.2	1	150	150.003
5.C.2 Incineration of carcasses	N_2O	0.0	0.1	40	150	155.242
5.D.1 Municipal wastewater treatment	N_2O	116.3	107.0	10	70	70.718
5.D.1 Municipal wastewater effluent	N_2O	38.1	12.0	10	100	100.504
5.D.2 Industrial wastewater treatment	N_2O	33.9	4.6	40	70	80.629
5.D.2 Industrial wastewater effluent	N_2O	12.6	2.2	10	100	100.504

1.7.2 Results of the Approach 1 uncertainty estimation

The estimated uncertainties for total GHG and for CO_2, CH_4, N_2O and F-gases are shown in Table 1.6. The total Danish net GHG emission is estimated with an uncertainty of ±6.7 % and the trend in net GHG emission since the base year has been estimated to be -53.0 % ± 2.6 %-age points. The GHG uncertainty estimates do not take into account indirect CO_2 nor the uncertainty of the GWP factors.

The uncertainty of N_2O emissions from synthetic fertiliser, animal waste applied to soil and crop residues and CH_4 emission from solid waste disposal, are the largest sources of uncertainty for the Danish GHG inventory (excluding LULUCF). For LULUCF the largest sources of uncertainty are organic soil emissions from cropland.

The uncertainty of the GHG emission from combustion (sector 1A) is 3.1 % and the trend uncertainty is -56.6 % ±1.3 %-age points.

Table 1.6 Uncertainties 1990-2024.

	Uncertainty 1990 [%]	Uncertainty 2024 [%]	Trend [%]	Uncertainty in trend [%-age points]
GHG	5.4	6.7	-53.0	2.6
CO_2	4.8	5.1	-61.8	1.4
CH_4	20.8	17.3	-13.7	14.9
N_2O	27.7	31.5	-39.1	14.0
F-gases	26.5	46.7	620.9	386.8
CO_2 excl. LULUCF	1.5	2.8	-56.4	1.2
GHG excl. LULUCF	4.4	6.1	-49.2	2.6

The overall increase in the uncertainty from the base year to the latest year is caused by less uncertain emission sources (such as CO_2 emission from fossil fuels) declining significantly. This causes more uncertain emission sources such as agriculture and LULUCF to influence the overall uncertainty more.

1.7.3 Tier 2 uncertainties

On the recommendation of the UNFCCC expert review team (ERT) in 2009 Denmark undertook a tier 2 uncertainty analysis. However, due to a reduction in resources, the tier 2 uncertainty analysis will no longer be carried out. For a description on the methodology and results of the tier 2 uncertainty estimation, please refer to Nielsen et al. (2016).

1.8 General assessment of the completeness

The present Danish greenhouse gas emission inventory includes all sources identified by the 2006 IPPC Guidelines. Please see Annex 5 for discussion on minor sources that are not included.

1.9 ESR emissions

The table below includes data for the emissions covered by the EU ETS (not including aviation), the CO_2 emissions from domestic aviation and resulting ESR emissions for 2021-2024. As neither Greenland nor the Faroe Islands are members of the EU, the data in Table 1.7 refer to Denmark only.

Table 1.7 ESR emissions.

	kt CO_2 equivalents	2021	2022	2023	2024
A	Total greenhouse gas emissions without LULUCF	44,215.6	42,525.2	39,073.2	36,751.5
B	Total ETS emissions	11,618.8	11,214.2	9,244.1	8,323.1
C	CO_2 emissions from 1.A.3.a civil aviation	82.6	117.9	121.9	124.2
D	Total ESR emissions (= A-B-C)	32,514.1	31,193.1	29,707.2	28,304.3
E	Annual Emission Allocation	32,127.5	31,293.9	29,905.1	28,516.4
F	Difference (= E-D)	-386.6	100.8	198.0	212.1

1.10 Nord Stream gas leakages

In 2022, explosions caused ruptures on several gas pipelines transporting natural gas between Russia and Germany. Some of the ruptures occurred within the Danish Exclusive Economic Zone. At a meeting in Working Group 1 under the EU Climate Change Committee on 5 March 2024, the European Commission informed the group that based on a meeting between DG Climate Action and ministries of Denmark and Sweden, it was clear that Denmark and Sweden would not include the emissions in the reporting on 15 March. The Commission suggested that information on the emissions should be included in the report accompanying the submission but not included in the reporting tables. More information on the methodology and data used to estimate emissions from the leaks are included in Chapter 3.5.

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2 Trends in greenhouse gas emissions

The trends presented in this Chapter cover the emissions from Denmark as the current Danish NDC only covers Denmark. Due to the small emissions originating from Greenland and the Faroe Islands, the trends are very similar in fact close to identical.

2.1 Description and interpretation of emission trends for aggregated greenhouse gas emissions

2.1.1 Greenhouse Gas Emissions

The greenhouse gas emissions are estimated according to the IPCC guidelines and are aggregated into five main sectors. The greenhouse gases include CO_2, CH_4, N_2O, HFCs, PFCs, SF_6 and NF_3. Figure 2.1 shows the estimated total greenhouse gas emissions in CO_2 equivalents from 1990 to 2024. The emissions are not corrected for electricity trade or temperature variations.

CO_2 is the most important greenhouse gas contributing in 2024 to the national total in CO_2 equivalents with 62.6%, followed by CH_4 with 23.3 %, N_2O with 13.3 %, and f-gases (HFCs, PFCs, SF_6 and NF_3) with 0.8 %. The energy sector and agricultural sector represent the largest sources, followed by industrial processes and product use, waste, LULUCF and indirect CO_2, see Figure 1. The total national greenhouse gas emission in CO_2 equivalents has decreased by 53.3 % from 1990 to 2024.

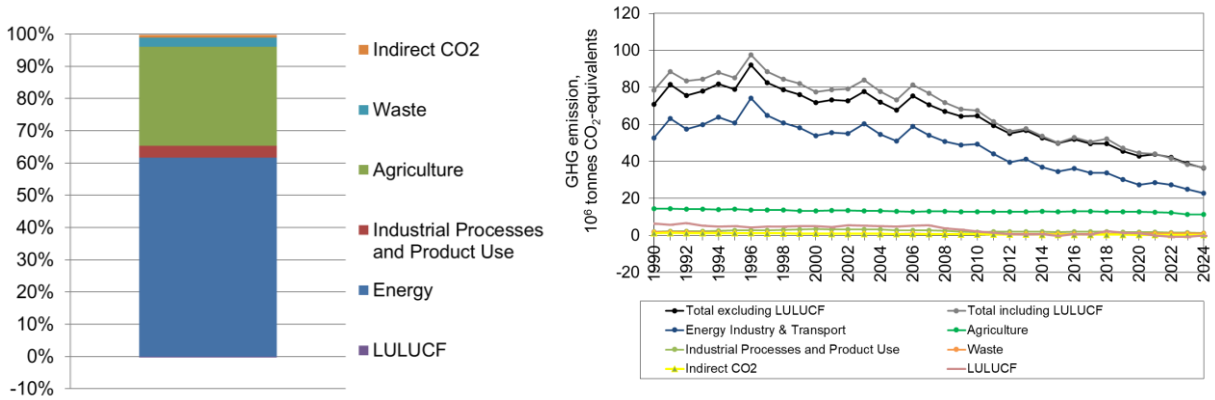


Figure 2.1 Greenhouse gas emissions in CO_2 equivalents distributed on main sectors for 2024 (excluding LULUCF and indirect CO_2) and time series for 1990 to 2024.

2.2 Description and interpretation of emission trends by gas

2.2.1 Carbon dioxide

The largest source to the emission of CO_2 is the energy sector, which includes combustion of fossil fuels like oil, coal and natural gas (Figure 2.2). Emissions decreased by 62.1 % between 1990 and 2024, due to reductions primarily in the energy sector and the LULUCF sector turning from a source to a net sink. The transport sector (dominated by road transport) is the largest sector in 2024 and contributes with 46.0 %, followed by energy industries with 26.0 %. The CO_2 emission decreased by 9.4 % from 2023 to 2024. The main reason for the decrease is decreased used of fossil fuels particularly in

transport, energy industries and manufacturing industries. In general, CO_2 emissions fluctuate significantly as a result of the electricity trade with neighbouring countries.

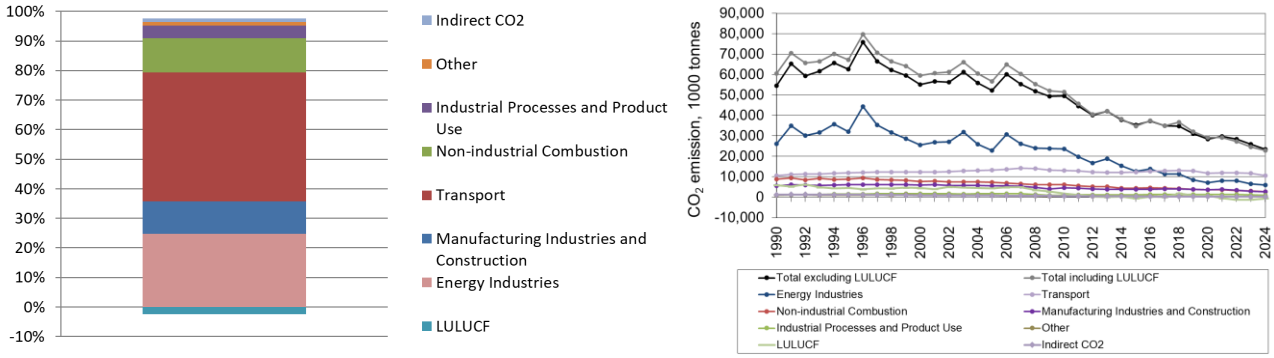


Figure 2.2 CO_2 emissions. Distribution according to the main sectors for 2024 and time series for 1990 to 2024.

2.2.2 Methane

The largest sources of anthropogenic CH_4 emissions are agricultural activities contributing with 81.4 % in 2024, waste (9.8 %) and the remaining emission sources covers 8.8 % - see Figure 2.3. The emission from agriculture derives from enteric fermentation (45.4 %) and management of animal manure (36.0 %).

Since 1990, the emission of CH_4 from enteric fermentation has decreased 10.7 % mainly due to the decrease in the number of cattle. However, this reduction is countered by an increase of 3.6 % in emissions from manure management caused by a change in housing type towards slurry-based systems. In later years, the emission from manure management has decreased due to changes in manure management, e.g. more biogas treatment and acidification of slurry. The emission of CH_4 from solid waste disposal has decreased significantly (83.4 %) from 1990 to 2024 due to an increase in the incineration of waste and extensive recycling thereby causing a decrease in the waste disposal on land. The CH_4 emission from the energy sector increases from mid 1990ties from public power and district heating plants increases due to the increasing use of gas engines in the decentralised cogeneration plant sector. Due to the liberalisation of the electricity market the use of gas engines declined from 2005 onwards. The high emission from gas engines is caused by the fact that up to 3 % of the natural gas in the gas engines is not combusted.

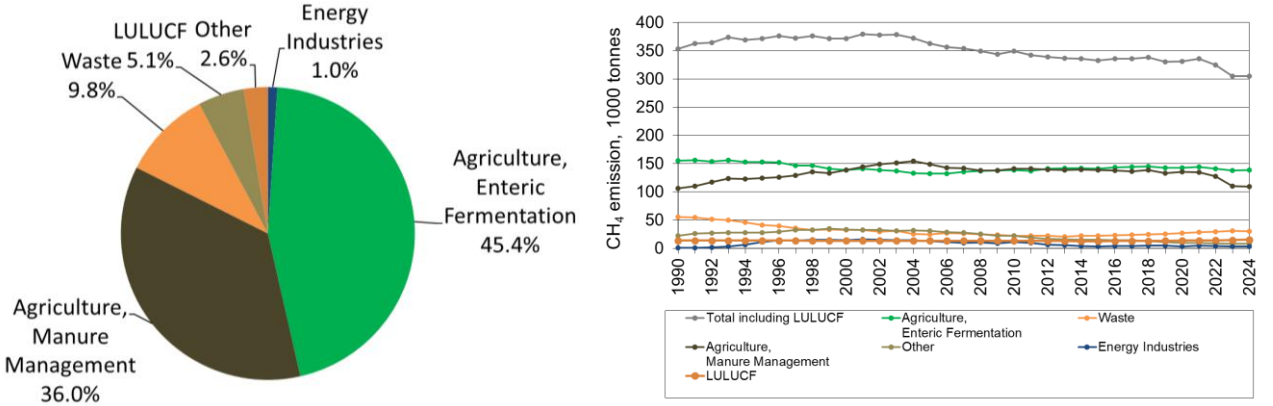


Figure 2.3 CH_4 emissions. Distribution according to the main sectors for 2024 and time series for 1990 to 2024.

2.2.3 Nitrous oxide

Agriculture is the most important N_2O emission source in 2024 contributing with 88.1 % (Figure 2.4) of which N_2O from soils dominates (75.9 % of total N_2O). Substantial emissions come from drainage water and coastal waters where nitrogen is converted to N_2O through bacterial processes. However, the nitrogen converted in these processes originates mainly from the agricultural use of manure and fertilisers.

The main reason for the decrease of N_2O emission is due to the agricultural sector, which has decreased with 35.9 % since 1990 caused by legislation to improve the utilisation of nitrogen in manure. Combustion of fuels contributes 8.4 % to the total, whereof the N_2O emission from transport contributes with 5.1 % to the national total in 2024. Emission from industrial processes decreased significantly in 2004 due to the closure of the only nitric acid plant operating in Denmark and the emission from this emission source is therefore close to zero since then.

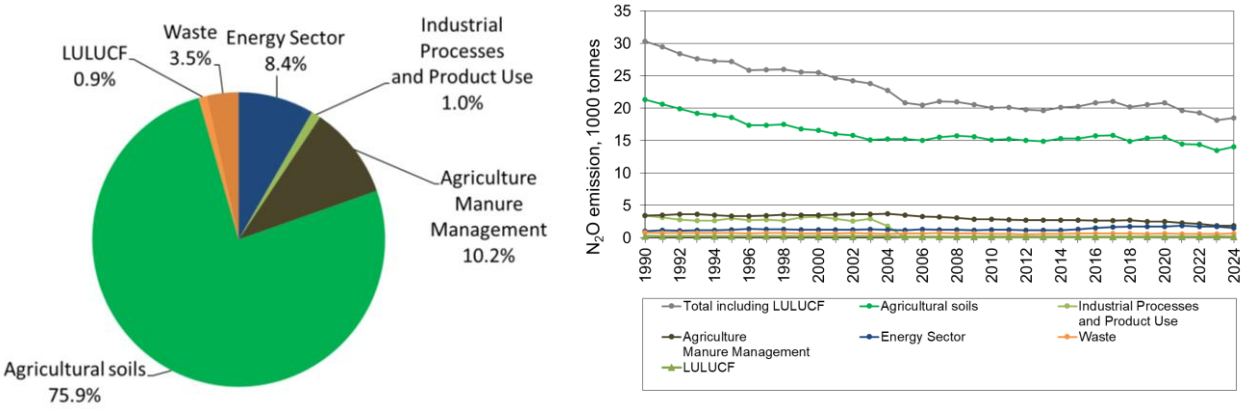


Figure 2.4 N_2O emissions. Distribution according to the main sectors for 2024 and time series for 1990 to 2024.

2.2.4 HFCs, PFCs, SF_6 and NF_3

This part of the Danish inventory only comprises a full data set for all substances from 1995 - see Figure 5. From 1995 to 2000, there was a continuous and substantial increase in the contribution from the range of f-gases as a whole (133.6 %), calculated as the sum of emissions in CO_2 equivalents. In 2000-2009, the increase of f-gas emissions continues with a lower increasing rate than for the years 1995 to 2000. Hereafter, the f-gas emission decreases.

The use of HFCs has increased several folds and HFCs have become the dominant f-gases, comprising 68.6 % in 1995 but 95.6 % in 2024. HFCs are mainly used as a refrigerant. SF_6 contributed considerably to the f-gas sum in earlier years, with 31.2 % in 1995 and reduced to 4.4 % in 2024. Due to environmental awareness the Danish legislation regulates the use of f-gases, e.g. since January 1, 2007, new HFC-based refrigerant stationary systems are forbidden. Refill of old systems are still allowed and the use of air conditioning in mobile systems increases.

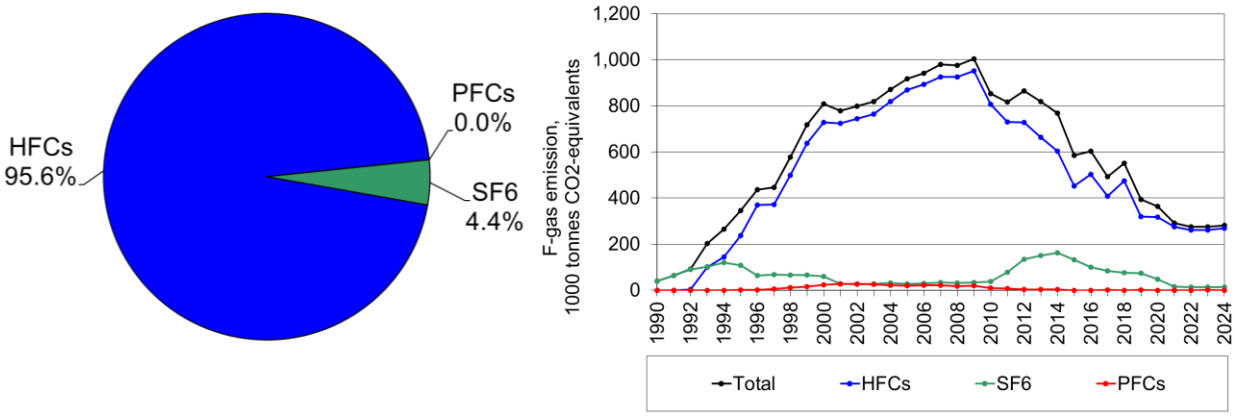


Figure 2.5 F-gas emissions. Distribution for 2024 according to f-gas type and time-series for 1990 to 2024.

2.3 Description and interpretation of emission trends by source

2.3.1 Energy

The emission from the energy sector in 2024 covers 62.0 % of the total emission in CO_2 equivalents. The emission of CO_2 equivalents from energy industries (CRF 1A1) has decreased by 76.7 % from 1990 to 2024. The relatively large fluctuations in the emission through the time-series 1990-2024 is due to inter-country electricity trade. Thus, the high emissions in 1991, 1996, 2003 and 2006 reflect a large electricity export and the low emission in 1990, 2005, 2008, 2011 and 2012 is due to import of electricity. In general, CO_2 emissions are decreasing due to a lower consumption of fossil fuels and a higher electricity production based on renewable energy, mainly wind power.

The increasing emission of CH_4 is due to the increasing use of gas engines in decentralised cogeneration plants. However, in later years the CH_4 emission has decreased due to less use of natural gas in gas engines. The CH_4 emission from residential combustion (mainly wood) increased as a result of increased use of wood. However, the wood consumption has decreased substantially over the last years, and hence the emission is decreasing.

The emission of CO_2 equivalents from the transport sector (CRF 1A3) increased by 0.6 % from 1990 to 2024, mainly due to increasing road traffic. However, emissions from transport peaked in 2018 and is expected to continue to decrease as more electric vehicles enter the fleet replacing fossil fuel powered vehicles. A large decrease in transport emissions occurred between 2019 and 2020, which can to a large extend be attributed to the restrictions to mobility in battling the COVID-19 pandemic.

2.3.2 Industrial processes and product use

The emissions from industrial processes and product use, i.e. emissions from processes other than fuel combustion, amount in 2024 to 3.7 % of the total emission in CO_2 equivalents. The main sources are cement production and f-gases used in refrigeration and air conditioning.

The largest source is CO_2 emissions from cement production, which in 2024 contributes with 869.6 kt CO_2, i.e. 2.4 % of the national greenhouse gas emissions. The CO_2 emission from cement production has increased by 12.3 % since 1990 but shows significant fluctuations during the time-series. The sec-

ond largest source is the emission from consumption of HFCs mainly from refrigeration and air condition equipment. This source contributes with 269.1 kt CO_2 equivalents, i.e. 0.7 % of the national total.

Historically (1990-2004), the emission of N_2O from the production of nitric acid has been the second largest source (after cement), with up to 1002.5 kt CO_2 equivalents (1990). However, the production of nitric acid ceased in 2004, which reduced the N_2O emission from industrial processes drastically.

2.3.3 Agriculture

The agricultural sector contributes in 2024 with 31.0 % of the total emission in CO_2 equivalents and the major part is related to the livestock production. Since 1990, the agricultural emission has decreased 21.7 % mainly due to a decrease in the N_2O emission.

In 2024, the agricultural sector accounts for 81.4 % of the total CH_4 emission. Since 1990, the emission of CH_4 from enteric fermentation has decreased by 10.7 %, which is mainly due to the decrease in the number of dairy cattle. However, the emission from manure management has in the same period increased 3.6 %, which is mainly driven by a change from traditional housing systems towards slurry-based housing systems, but with more biogas treatment and slurry acidification in the more recent years reducing emissions. In total, the CH_4 emission from the agriculture sector 1990 – 2024 has decreased by 4.9 %.

In 2024, the agricultural sector accounts for 86.2 % of the total N_2O emission. Since 1990, the N_2O emission has decreased 35.9 %. A string of measures has been introduced by action plans to prevent the loss of nitrogen from agriculture to the aquatic environment. These actions have brought a decrease in animal nitrogen excretion, improvement in use of nitrogen in manure and a fall in the use of inorganic N fertiliser, which all have led to reductions of the N_2O emission.

2.3.4 Land use, Land-use change and forestry

The total sector has been estimated to be a net source of 0.8 % of the total Danish emission incl. LULUCF (average previous 10 years (2015-2024) (variation -1.9-4.5 % depending on year). The average emission over the past 10 years (2015-2024) has been estimated to 436 kt CO_2-eq. with a removal of 116 kt CO_2 equivalents in 2024. Emissions/removals from the sector fluctuate based on specific conditions in the given year. In general, the forest sector is a net sink or around in its equilibrium state, while Cropland and Grassland are net sources. The latter due to a large area with drained organic soils. CO_2 emissions from drained organic soils within cropland and grassland accounts for 7.2 % of the total Danish emission in 2024.

In 2024, Forest land has been estimated to be a net sink of 9.5 % of the total Danish emission whereas Cropland has been estimated to be a net source of 4.9 % of the total Danish emission. Grassland is a net source contributing to 3.0 % of the total Danish emission, also due to a large area with drained organic soils. Emissions from Cropland and Grassland have shown a continuous decrease since 1990. However, large variations occur between years.

2.3.5 Waste

The waste sector contributes in 2024 to 2.8 % of the total emission in CO_2 equivalents. The emission from the sector has decreased by 42.7 % since 1990. Historically, the most important activity in the sector is solid waste disposal on land. In 2024, the emissions contributed by 20.7 % of the sectoral total GHG emission. The CH_4 emission from solid waste disposal has been decreasing since 1990 by 83.4 % due to banning of deposing organic waste and an overall decrease in waste deposited because waste has increasingly been used for power and heat production and/or recycled.

Biological treatment of solid waste (5.B) has in the later years become the largest contributor to the sectoral total GHG emission. It contributes to the sectoral total in CO_2 equivalents in 2024 with 55.5 %. The emissions from biological treatment of solid waste have increased by 1618 % for CH_4 and 247 % for N_2O since 1990, due to an increase in the number of biogas plants and the amount of biowaste composted in Denmark.

Wastewater handling contributes to the sectoral total in CO_2 equivalents in 2024 with 22.0 %. The CH_4 emissions from wastewater handling have decreased by 58.9 % from 1990 to 2024 while the N_2O emission has decreased by 37.4 %.

Since all incinerated waste (municipal, industrial, hazardous) is used for power and heat production, the emissions are included in the 1A1a category.

3 1A Energy

3.1 Overview of the energy sector (1A)

The data presented in Chapter 3 relates to Denmark only, whereas information for Greenland is included in Chapter 16 and for the Faroe Islands in Annex 7.

The energy sector has been reported in four main chapters:

3.2 Stationary combustion plants (CRT sector 1A1, 1A2 and 1A4)
3.3 Transport and other mobile sources (CRT sector 1A2, 1A3, 1A4 and 1A5)
3.4 Additional information, fuel combustion (Reference approach, feedstocks and non-energy use of fuels)
3.5 Fugitive emissions (CRT sector 1B)

Summary tables for the energy sector are shown below.

Table 3.1.1 CO_2 emissions from the energy sector.

Greenhouse gas source categories	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
					kt					
1. Energy	51,657	62,186	56,350	58,642	62,599	59,393	72,646	63,124	59,070	56,496
1A. Fuel Combustion (Sectoral Approach)	51,316	61,536	55,672	58,060	62,023	58,938	72,148	62,426	58,546	55,388
1A1. Energy Industries	26,156	35,026	30,099	31,675	35,675	32,183	44,478	35,351	31,699	28,610
1A2. Manufacturing Industries and Construction	5,668	6,100	5,919	5,834	5,944	6,072	6,178	6,192	6,130	6,200
1A3. Transport	10,557	11,058	11,249	11,294	11,712	11,844	12,103	12,301	12,310	12,342
1A4. Other Sectors	8,768	9,014	8,209	8,962	8,379	8,522	9,143	8,337	8,125	7,971
1A5. Other	167	338	196	296	314	318	246	245	282	265
1B. Fugitive Emissions from Fuels	341	650	677	582	575	454	498	698	524	1,107
1B1. Solid Fuels	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
1B2. Oil and Natural Gas	341	650	677	582	575	454	498	698	524	1,107
1C. CO_2 transport and storage	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO

Continued	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
					kt					
1. Energy	52,141	53,804	53,421	58,651	53,068	49,486	57,447	52,644	49,454	47,561
1A. Fuel Combustion (Sectoral Approach)	51,417	53,033	52,745	57,981	52,315	48,938	56,903	52,100	49,067	47,299
1A1. Energy Industries	25,593	26,881	27,103	31,846	25,967	22,787	30,686	26,053	23,935	23,884
1A2. Manufacturing Industries and Construction	5,960	6,071	5,720	5,694	5,786	5,498	5,630	5,373	4,848	4,034
1A3. Transport	12,212	12,268	12,433	12,900	13,139	13,351	13,668	14,211	14,045	13,290
1A4. Other Sectors	7,455	7,625	7,305	7,349	7,080	6,928	6,691	6,186	6,031	5,831
1A5. Other	197	188	184	192	343	374	229	276	208	260
1B. Fugitive Emissions from Fuels	724	771	675	670	753	548	544	544	388	262
1B1. Solid Fuels	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
1B2. Oil and Natural Gas	724	771	675	670	753	548	544	544	388	262
1C. CO_2 transport and storage	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO

Continued	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
					kt					
1. Energy	47,986	42,843	38,447	40,287	36,088	33,677	35,263	32,878	32,868	29,309
1A. Fuel Combustion (Sectoral Approach)	47,633	42,590	38,229	40,043	35,837	33,429	34,990	32,636	32,635	29,114
1A1. Energy Industries	23,696	19,770	16,669	18,883	15,419	12,735	13,904	11,432	11,318	8,527
1A2. Manufacturing Industries and Construction	4,528	4,359	4,057	3,879	3,876	3,827	3,914	3,988	4,019	3,777
1A3. Transport	13,166	12,856	12,283	12,080	12,188	12,372	12,634	12,798	13,060	12,869
1A4. Other Sectors	6,037	5,317	5,011	4,967	4,129	4,304	4,337	4,120	4,027	3,748
1A5. Other	206	289	209	234	225	191	201	297	211	193
1B. Fugitive Emissions from Fuels	353	252	218	244	251	248	273	242	233	195
1B1. Solid Fuels	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
1B2. Oil and Natural Gas	353	252	218	244	251	248	273	242	233	195
1C. CO_2 transport and storage	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO

Continued	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
			kt		
1. Energy	26,483	27,707	26,636	24,241	21,996
1A. Fuel Combustion (Sectoral Approach)	26,357	27,596	26,541	24,153	21,886
1A1. Energy Industries	7,209	8,165	8,130	6,490	5,959
1A2. Manufacturing Industries and Construction	3,681	3,768	3,385	2,925	2,630
1A3. Transport	11,791	11,998	11,847	11,705	10,545
1A4. Other Sectors	3,437	3,447	2,994	2,770	2,595
1A5. Other	238	219	186	263	157
1B. Fugitive Emissions from Fuels	126	111	95	88	111
1B1. Solid Fuels	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
1B2. Oil and Natural Gas	126	111	95	88	111
1C. CO_2 transport and storage	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO

Table 3.1.2 CH_4 emissions from the energy sector.

Greenhouse gas source categories	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
					kt					
1. Energy	22.85	26.80	27.93	30.30	33.85	39.34	44.19	46.11	47.43	50.10
1A. Fuel Combustion (Sectoral Approach)	11.10	12.26	12.86	15.06	18.11	23.90	28.10	27.54	28.78	28.37
1A1. Energy Industries	0.62	0.96	1.36	2.98	6.07	11.40	14.58	13.90	15.29	15.39
1A2. Manufacturing Industries and Construction	0.32	0.34	0.32	0.33	0.33	0.39	0.76	0.76	0.86	0.85
1A3. Transport	3.18	3.30	3.31	3.26	3.20	3.03	2.87	2.73	2.58	2.39
1A4. Other Sectors	6.90	7.56	7.79	8.40	8.43	8.97	9.80	10.05	9.94	9.65
1A5. Other	0.08	0.10	0.09	0.09	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10
1B. Fugitive Emissions from Fuels	11.75	14.55	15.07	15.24	15.73	15.44	16.10	18.57	18.65	21.72
1B1. Solid Fuels	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
1B2. Oil and Natural Gas	11.75	14.55	15.07	15.24	15.73	15.44	16.10	18.57	18.65	21.72

Continued	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
					kt					
1. Energy	47.90	48.25	47.32	45.48	45.72	42.87	40.13	37.33	35.57	30.90
1A. Fuel Combustion (Sectoral Approach)	27.67	28.42	27.73	27.28	26.85	24.96	23.44	21.74	21.43	19.39
1A1. Energy Industries	14.68	15.56	15.13	14.39	14.07	12.43	11.51	9.59	10.10	8.82
1A2. Manufacturing Industries and Construction	1.06	1.12	1.02	0.99	1.00	0.85	0.69	0.49	0.54	0.49
1A3. Transport	2.20	2.04	1.90	1.79	1.65	1.50	1.36	1.24	1.05	0.89
1A4. Other Sectors	9.64	9.61	9.59	10.04	10.06	10.11	9.81	10.39	9.71	9.15
1A5. Other	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.08	0.08	0.07	0.06	0.05	0.04	0.03
1B. Fugitive Emissions from Fuels	20.23	19.83	19.59	18.20	18.86	17.91	16.70	15.58	14.13	11.51
1B1. Solid Fuels	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
1B2. Oil and Natural Gas	20.23	19.83	19.59	18.20	18.86	17.91	16.70	15.58	14.13	11.51

Continued	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
					kt					
1. Energy	33.31	28.05	23.33	21.64	18.90	18.16	18.30	18.15	17.10	16.09
1A. Fuel Combustion (Sectoral Approach)	21.75	18.56	14.83	13.64	11.31	10.98	11.40	11.15	11.25	11.03
1A1. Energy Industries	10.98	9.20	6.37	5.67	4.12	3.46	3.99	4.11	4.57	4.74
1A2. Manufacturing Industries and Construction	0.58	0.52	0.36	0.38	0.38	0.50	0.53	0.67	0.84	0.91
1A3. Transport	0.79	0.70	0.61	0.55	0.50	0.48	0.43	0.40	0.36	0.35
1A4. Other Sectors	9.37	8.12	7.47	7.03	6.30	6.53	6.44	5.96	5.46	5.03
1A5. Other	0.03	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01
1B. Fugitive Emissions from Fuels	11.56	9.49	8.50	8.00	7.59	7.19	6.90	7.00	5.85	5.06
1B1. Solid Fuels	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
1B2. Oil and Natural Gas	11.56	9.49	8.50	8.00	7.59	7.19	6.90	7.00	5.85	5.06

Continued	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
			kt		
1. Energy	12.89	13.74	12.12	11.42	11.17
1A. Fuel Combustion (Sectoral Approach)	9.36	10.20	8.61	8.08	7.58
1A1. Energy Industries	3.45	4.46	3.71	3.31	3.17
1A2. Manufacturing Industries and Construction	0.89	0.74	0.57	0.51	0.53
1A3. Transport	0.31	0.30	0.27	0.27	0.25
1A4. Other Sectors	4.69	4.70	4.05	3.98	3.62
1A5. Other	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01
1B. Fugitive Emissions from Fuels	3.54	3.54	3.51	3.34	3.59
1B1. Solid Fuels	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
1B2. Oil and Natural Gas	3.54	3.54	3.51	3.34	3.59

Table 3.1.3 N_2O emissions from the energy sector.

Greenhouse gas source categories	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
					kt					
1. Energy	1.03	1.15	1.12	1.15	1.19	1.24	1.38	1.31	1.28	1.26
1A. Fuel Combustion (Sectoral Approach)	1.03	1.15	1.12	1.15	1.19	1.24	1.38	1.31	1.28	1.26
1A1. Energy Industries	0.29	0.37	0.34	0.36	0.39	0.38	0.51	0.44	0.42	0.40
1A2. Manufacturing Industries and Construction	0.21	0.22	0.22	0.20	0.20	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.26	0.25
1A3. Transport	0.33	0.35	0.36	0.37	0.38	0.39	0.40	0.41	0.40	0.40
1A4. Other Sectors	0.19	0.21	0.20	0.21	0.21	0.21	0.22	0.21	0.20	0.20
1A5. Other	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01
1B. Fugitive Emissions from Fuels	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1B1. Solid Fuels	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
1B2. Oil and Natural Gas	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Continued	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
					kt					
1. Energy	1.23	1.25	1.24	1.29	1.24	1.20	1.29	1.27	1.25	1.20
1A. Fuel Combustion (Sectoral Approach)	1.23	1.25	1.23	1.28	1.23	1.20	1.29	1.27	1.25	1.20
1A1. Energy Industries	0.38	0.40	0.40	0.44	0.39	0.36	0.42	0.36	0.35	0.36
1A2. Manufacturing Industries and Construction	0.24	0.24	0.22	0.21	0.22	0.21	0.23	0.24	0.23	0.19
1A3. Transport	0.39	0.39	0.38	0.38	0.38	0.37	0.37	0.38	0.39	0.38
1A4. Other Sectors	0.21	0.22	0.22	0.24	0.24	0.25	0.27	0.29	0.28	0.27
1A5. Other	0.01	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01
1B. Fugitive Emissions from Fuels	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1B1. Solid Fuels	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
1B2. Oil and Natural Gas	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Continued	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
					kt					
1. Energy	1.26	1.21	1.16	1.17	1.19	1.34	1.53	1.63	1.75	1.74
1A. Fuel Combustion (Sectoral Approach)	1.26	1.21	1.16	1.17	1.19	1.34	1.53	1.63	1.75	1.74
1A1. Energy Industries	0.37	0.33	0.31	0.33	0.29	0.28	0.30	0.29	0.29	0.27
1A2. Manufacturing Industries and Construction	0.20	0.20	0.18	0.17	0.16	0.17	0.19	0.19	0.21	0.19
1A3. Transport	0.39	0.41	0.41	0.42	0.50	0.63	0.77	0.88	0.99	1.04
1A4. Other Sectors	0.28	0.26	0.25	0.25	0.24	0.26	0.27	0.26	0.25	0.23
1A5. Other	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.02	0.01	0.01
1B. Fugitive Emissions from Fuels	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1B1. Solid Fuels	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
1B2. Oil and Natural Gas	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Continued	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
		kt			
1. Energy	1.73	1.86	1.73	1.73	1.54
1A. Fuel Combustion (Sectoral Approach)	1.73	1.86	1.73	1.73	1.54
1A1. Energy Industries	0.25	0.29	0.26	0.25	0.26
1A2. Manufacturing Industries and Construction	0.19	0.21	0.16	0.15	0.15
1A3. Transport	1.06	1.12	1.11	1.12	0.95
1A4. Other Sectors	0.22	0.23	0.19	0.19	0.18
1A5. Other	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01
1B. Fugitive Emissions from Fuels	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1B1. Solid Fuels	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
1B2. Oil and Natural Gas	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Table 3.1.4 Emissions of NO_x, CO, NMVOC and SO_2 from the energy sector in 2024.

	NO_x, kt	CO, kt	NMVOC, kt	SO_2, kt
1. Energy	60.16	160.78	21.28	6.20
A. Fuel Combustion (Sectoral Approach)	60.11	160.68	16.62	4.91
1. Energy Industries	13.71	13.05	0.97	2.73
2. Manufacturing Industries and Construction	7.02	16.01	1.22	0.73
3. Transport	27.29	38.93	4.70	0.25
4. Other Sectors	11.28	88.65	9.49	1.15
5. Other	0.81	4.03	0.24	0.06
B. Fugitive Emissions from Fuels	0.05	0.10	4.66	1.29
1. Solid Fuels	NO	NO	NO	NO
2. Oil and Natural Gas	0.05	0.10	4.66	1.29

3.2 Stationary combustion, sector 1A1, 1A2 and 1A4

Stationary combustion is the largest source of CO_2 emission in Denmark accounting for 41 % of the 2024 national total CO_2 emissions (including LULUCF). The CO_2 emission from stationary combustion has decreased by 76 % since 1990. The decreased emission since 1990 is a result of both at decreased fuel consumption and a change of fuel types applied; the consumption of coal has decreased whereas the consumption of biomass has increased since 1990. The relatively large fluctuations in the CO_2 emission time series from 1990 to 2024 are due to inter-country electricity trade fluctuations caused mainly by variation in hydropower generation in Norway and Sweden.

The CO_2 emission in 2024 was 9 % lower than in 2023. The net electricity import in 2024 was larger than in 2023.

The methane (CH_4) emission from stationary combustion plants accounted for 2.4 % of the national CH_4 emission in 2024. The CH_4 emission from stationary combustion has decreased by 4 % since 1990. The emission increased until 1996 and decreased after 2004. The trend is related to the considerable number of lean-burn gas engines installed in CHP plants in Denmark during the 1990s. The CH_4 emission from gas engines is high compared to other plant types. The deregulation of the electricity market has made production of electricity in gas engines less favourable, therefore the fuel consumption and CH_4 emission has decreased since 2004. The CH_4 emission in 2024 was 6 % lower than in 2023.

The nitrous oxide (N_2O) emission from stationary combustion plants accounted for 2.8 % of the national N_2O emission in 2024. The N_2O emission from stationary combustion was 19 % lower in 2024 than in 1990, but as for CO_2, fluctuations in emission level due to electricity import/export are considerable. The emission in 2024 was 2 % lower than in 2023.

3.2.0 Category description

Source category definition

Stationary combustion plants are included in the emission source subcategories:

- 1A1 Energy, Fuel combustion, Energy Industries
  - 1A1a Public electricity and heat production
  - 1A1b Petroleum refining
  - 1A1c Oil and gas extraction and biogas upgrading
- 1A2 Energy, Fuel combustion, Manufacturing Industries and Construction

- 1A2a Iron and steel
- 1A2b Non-ferrous metals
- 1A2c Chemicals
- 1A2d Pulp, Paper and Print
- 1A2e Food processing, beverages and tobacco
- 1A2f Non-metallic minerals
- 1A2 g viii Other manufacturing industry

- 1A4 Energy, Fuel combustion, Other Sectors
  - 1A4a i Commercial/institutional plants.
  - 1A4b i Residential plants.
  - 1A1c i Agriculture/forestry.

The emission and fuel consumption data included in tables and figures in Chapter 3.2 only include emissions originating from stationary combustion plants of a given CRT sector.

The consumption of fuel for military use in stationary combustion plants has been included in commercial/institutional plants.

All pipeline compressors on the natural gas grid are electric compressors. Hence fuel consumption and emissions are not occurring in the sector 1A3e i Pipeline transport even though the activity occur, therefore it is reported as not applicable (NA) in the reporting tables. The fuel consumption in the Danish gas treatment plant is included in sector 1A1cii Oil and gas extraction.

In the Danish emission database, all activity rates and emissions are defined in SNAP sector categories (Selected Nomenclature for Air Pollution) according the CORINAIR system. The emission inventories are prepared from a complete emission database based on the SNAP source categories. Danish Centre for Environment and Energy, Aarhus University (DCE) has modified the SNAP categorisation to enable direct reporting of the disaggregated data for manufacturing industries and construction. An additional SNAP for fuel consumption for upgrading of biogas has been added. Aggregation to the IPCC source category codes is based on a correspondence list enclosed in Annex 3A-1. Stationary combustion is defined as combustion activities in the SNAP sectors 01 – 03, not including SNAP 0303.

The CO_2 emission from calcinations is not part of the source category Energy. This emission is included in the source category Industrial Processes.

Methodology overview, tier

The type of emission factor and the applied tier level for each emission source are shown in Table 3.2.1 below. The tier level has been determined based on the IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006).

The fuel consumption data for transformation are technology specific. For end-use of fuels, the disaggregation to specific technologies is less detailed. However, for residential wood combustion the technology disaggregation is technology specific.

The distinction between tier 2 and 3 has been based on the emission factor. The tier level definitions have been interpreted as follows:

- Tier 1: The emission factor is an IPCC default tier 1 value.

- Tier 2: The emission factors are country-specific and based on a limited number of emission measurements or a technology specific IPCC tier 2 emission factor.
- Tier 3: Emission data are based on:
  - Plant specific emission measurements or
  - Technology specific fuel consumption data and country-specific emission factors based on a considerable number of emission measurements from Danish plants.

Table 3.2.1 gives an overview of the calculation methods and type of emission factor. The table also shows which of the source categories are key in any of the key category analysis[1] (including LULUCF, approach 1/approach 2, level/trend).

This year, one source categories based only on tier 1 approach have been identified as key sources. The total emission from this emission sources was 0.1 kton CO_2 equivalent or less than 0.001 % of the national total in 2024. In 1990, the emission was up to 368 kton or 0.5 % of national total. Additional information is included in Chapter 3.2.5.

[1] Key category according to the KCA approach 1 or approach 2 for Denmark (excluding Greenland and Faroe Islands), including LULUCF, level 1990/level 2024/trend.

Table 3.2.1 Methodology and type of emission factor.

		Tier	EMF[1)]	Key category[2)]
1A Stationary combustion, Coal, ETS data	CO_2	Tier 3	PS	Yes
1A Stationary combustion, Coal, no ETS data	CO_2	Tier 3 [3)]	CS	Yes
1A Stationary combustion, BKB	CO_2	Tier 1	D	No
1A Stationary combustion, Coke oven coke	CO_2	Tier 1/Tier 3	D/PS	No
1A Stationary combustion, Fossil waste, ETS data	CO_2	Tier 3	PS/CS	Yes
1A Stationary combustion, Fossil waste, no ETS data	CO_2	Tier 2	CS	Yes
1A Stationary combustion, Petroleum coke, ETS data	CO_2	Tier 3	PS	Yes
1A Stationary combustion, Petroleum coke, no ETS data	CO_2	Tier 2	CS	Yes
1A Stationary combustion, Residual oil, ETS data	CO_2	Tier 3	PS	No
1A Stationary combustion, Residual oil, no ETS data	CO_2	Tier 2 [4)]	CS	Yes
1A Stationary combustion, Gas oil	CO_2	Tier 2/Tier 3 [5)]	CS / PS	Yes
1A Stationary combustion, Kerosene	CO_2	Tier 1	D	Yes
1A Stationary combustion, LPG	CO_2	Tier 2/Tier 3 [6)]	CS / PS	Yes
1A1b Stationary Combustion, Petroleum refining, Refinery gas	CO_2	Tier 3	CS	Yes
1A Stationary Combustion, Natural gas, onshore	CO_2	Tier 3	CS	Yes
1A1c_ii Stationary Combustion, Oil and gas extraction, Offshore gas turbines, Natural gas	CO_2	Tier 3	CS	Yes
1A1 Stationary Combustion, solid fuels	CH_4	Tier 2	D(2)	No
1A1 Stationary Combustion, liquid fuels	CH_4	Tier/Tier 2	D / D(2) / CS	No
1A1 Stationary Combustion, not engines, gaseous fuels	CH_4	Tier 2	CS / D(2)	No
1A1 Stationary Combustion, waste	CH_4	Tier 2	CS	No
1A1 Stationary Combustion, not engines, biomass	CH_4	Tier 3/Tier 2/Tier 1	CS / D(2) / D	No
1A2 Stationary Combustion, solid fuels	CH_4	Tier 1	D	No
1A2 Stationary Combustion, liquid fuels	CH_4	Tier 1/Tier 2	D / D(2) / CS	No
1A2 Stationary Combustion, not engines, gaseous fuels	CH_4	Tier 2	CS / D(2)	No
1A2 Stationary Combustion, waste	CH_4	Tier 1	D	No
1A2 Stationary Combustion, not engines, biomass	CH_4	Tier 2/Tier 1	D(2) / D	No
1A4 Stationary Combustion, solid fuels	CH_4	Tier 1	D	No
1A4 Stationary Combustion, liquid fuels	CH_4	Tier 1/Tier 2	D / D(2)	No
1A4 Stationary Combustion, not engines, gaseous fuels	CH_4	Tier 2	CS	No
1A4 Stationary Combustion, waste	CH_4	Tier 1	D	No
1A4 Stationary Combustion, not engines, not residential wood and not residential/agricultural straw, biomass	CH_4	Tier 1/Tier 2	D / D(2) / CS	No
1A4b_i Stationary Combustion, Residential wood combustion	CH_4	Tier 2	CS	Yes
1A4b_i/1A4c_i Stationary Combustion, Residential and agricultural straw combustion	CH_4	Tier 1/Tier 2	D/CS	Yes
1A Stationary Combustion, Natural gas fuelled engines, gaseous fuels	CH_4	Tier 3	CS	No
1A Stationary Combustion, Biogas fuelled engines, biomass	CH_4	Tier 3	CS	No
1A1 Stationary Combustion, solid fuels	N_2O	Tier 2	CS / D(2)	Yes
1A1 Stationary Combustion, liquid fuels	N_2O	Tier 2/Tier 1	D(2) / CS / D	No
1A1 Stationary Combustion, gaseous fuels	N_2O	Tier 3/Tier 2	CS / D(2)	Yes
1A1 Stationary Combustion, waste	N_2O	Tier 2	CS	Yes
1A1 Stationary Combustion, biomass	N_2O	Tier 2/Tier 1	CS / D(2) / D	Yes
1A2 Stationary Combustion, solid fuels	N_2O	Tier 1/Tier 3	D/PS	No
1A2 Stationary Combustion, liquid fuels	N_2O	Tier 2/Tier 1	D(2) / CS / D	Yes
1A2 Stationary Combustion, gaseous fuels	N_2O	Tier 3/Tier 2	CS / D(2)	Yes
1A2 Stationary Combustion, waste	N_2O	Tier 1	D	No
1A2 Stationary Combustion, biomass	N_2O	Tier 1/Tier 2	D / CS	Yes
1A4 Stationary Combustion, solid fuels	N_2O	Tier 1	D	No
1A4 Stationary Combustion, liquid fuels	N_2O	Tier 2/Tier 1	D(2) / CS / D	Yes
1A4 Stationary Combustion, gaseous fuels	N_2O	Tier 3/Tier 2	CS / D(2)	No
1A4 Stationary Combustion, waste	N_2O	Tier 1	D	No
1A4 Stationary Combustion, not residential wood and not residential/agricultural straw, biomass	N_2O	Tier 1/Tier 2	D / CS	No
1A4b_i Stationary Combustion, Residential wood combustion	N_2O	Tier 2	CS	Yes
1A4b_i/1A4c_i Stationary Combustion, Residential and agricultural straw combustion	N_2O	Tier 1	D	No

1. D: IPCC (2006) default, tier 1. D(2): IPCC (2006) default, tier 2. CS: Country specific. PS: Plant specific.
2. KCA approach 1 or approach 2 for Denmark (excluding Greenland and Faroe Islands), including LULUCF, level 1990 or level 2024 or trend 1990-2024.
3. Only 2.0 % of the total coal consumption is included in the non-ETS category in 2024.
4. 34 % of the total residual oil consumption is included in the non-ETS category in 2024
5. Tier 3 for less than 2 % of the gas oil consumption in 2024.
6. Tier 3 for less than 4 % of the LPG consumption in 2024.

Key Categories

Key Category Analysis (KCA) approach 1 and approach 2 for the years 1990 and 2024 and for the trend 1990-2024 for Denmark has been carried out in accordance with the IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006).

Table 3.2.2 shows the 24 stationary combustion key categories. The table is based on the analysis including LULUCF. Detailed key category analysis is shown in NID Chapter 1.5 and Annex 1.

The CO_2 emissions from stationary combustion are key categories for all the major fuels. Due to the relatively high uncertainty for N_2O, emission factors the N_2O emission from several emission sources are key categories in the approach 2 analysis. CH_4 from residential wood combustion and from combustion of straw in residential/agricultural plants are also key categories.

Table 3.2.2 Key categories[2], stationary combustion.

		Approach 1			Approach 2		
		1990	2024	1990-2024	1990	2024	1990-2024
1A Stationary combustion, Coal, ETS data, CO_2	CO_2		Level	Trend			
1A Stationary combustion, Coal, no ETS data, CO_2	CO_2	Level		Trend	Level		Trend
1A Stationary combustion, Fossil waste, ETS data, CO_2	CO_2		Level	Trend		Level	Trend
1A Stationary combustion, Fossil waste, no ETS data, CO_2	CO_2	Level	Level	Trend			
1A Stationary combustion, Petroleum coke, ETS data, CO_2	CO_2		Level	Trend			
1A Stationary combustion, Petroleum coke, no ETS data, CO_2	CO_2	Level		Trend			
1A Stationary combustion, Residual oil, no ETS data, CO_2	CO_2	Level		Trend			
1A Stationary combustion, Gas oil, CO_2	CO_2	Level	Level	Trend	Level		Trend
1A Stationary combustion, Kerosene, CO_2	CO_2	Level		Trend			
1A Stationary combustion, LPG, CO_2	CO_2		Level	Trend			
1A1b Stationary Combustion, Petroleum refining, Refinery gas, CO_2	CO_2	Level	Level	Trend			
1A Stationary Combustion, Natural gas, onshore, CO_2	CO_2	Level	Level	Trend			
1A1c_ii Stationary Combustion, Oil and gas extraction, Offshore gas turbines, Natural gas, CO_2	CO_2	Level	Level	Trend			
1A4b_i Stationary Combustion, Residential wood combustion, CH_4	CH_4				Level	Level	
1A4b_i/1A4c_i Stationary Combustion, Residential and agricultural straw combustion, CH_4	CH_4				Level	Level	
1A1 Stationary Combustion, Solid fuels, N_2O	N_2O				Level		Trend
1A1 Stationary Combustion, Gaseous fuels, N_2O	N_2O				Level	Level	
1A1 Stationary Combustion, Waste, N_2O	N_2O					Level	Trend
1A1 Stationary Combustion, Biomass, N_2O	N_2O					Level	Trend
1A2 Stationary Combustion, Liquid fuels, N_2O	N_2O				Level		Trend
1A2 Stationary Combustion, Gaseous fuels, N_2O	N_2O					Level	Trend
1A2 Stationary Combustion, Biomass, N_2O	N_2O					Level	Trend
1A4 Stationary Combustion, Liquid fuels, N_2O	N_2O				Level		Trend
1A4b_i Stationary Combustion, Residential wood combustion, N_2O	N_2O					Level	Trend

[2] For Denmark, not including Greenland & Faroe Island. Based on the KCA including LULUCF.

3.2.1 Fuel consumption data

In 2024, the total fuel consumption for stationary combustion plants was 320 PJ of which 135 PJ was fossil fuels and 186 PJ was biomass. Fuel consumption distributed according to the stationary combustion subcategories is shown in Figure 3.2.1 and Figure 3.2.2. The fuel consumption in Public electricity and heat production adds up to 54 % of the fuel consumption in stationary combustion plants. Other source categories with high fuel consumption are Residential and Industry.

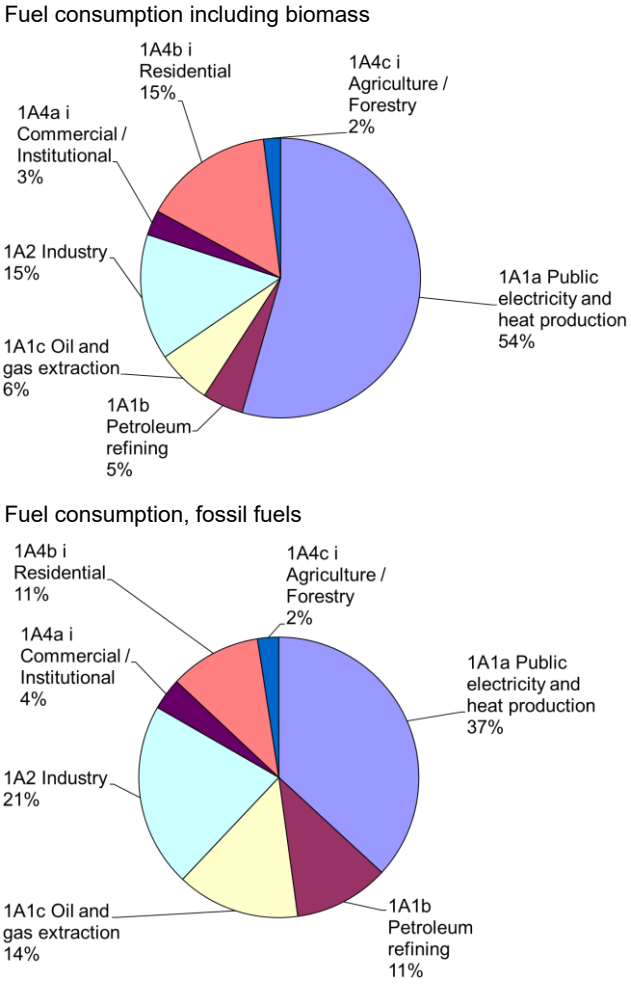


Figure 3.2.1 Fuel consumption of stationary combustion source categories, 2024. Based on DEA (2025a).

Natural gas, wood pellets, wood, biomethane and waste are the most utilised fuels for stationary combustion plants. Natural gas and biomethane is used in all sectors (see Figure 3.2.2). Wood and wood pellets are mainly applied for public electricity and heat production and in residential plants. Waste is mainly used in power plants.

Detailed fuel consumption rates are shown in Annex 3A-2.

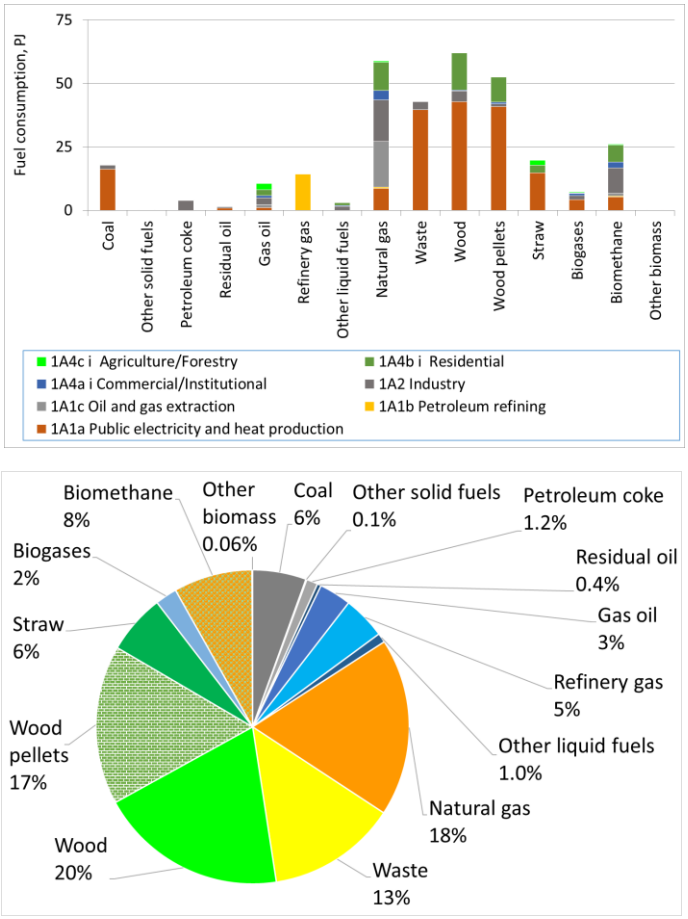


Figure 3.2.2 Fuel consumption of stationary combustion 2024, disaggregated to fuel type. Based on DEA (2025a).

Time series for fuel consumption for stationary combustion plants are presented in Figure 3.2.3. The fuel consumption for stationary combustion was 37 % lower in 2024 than in 1990, while the fossil fuel consumption was 71 % lower and the biomass fuel consumption 4.6 times the level in 1990.

The consumption of waste and biomass has increased since 1990 whereas the consumption of fossil fuels has decreased.

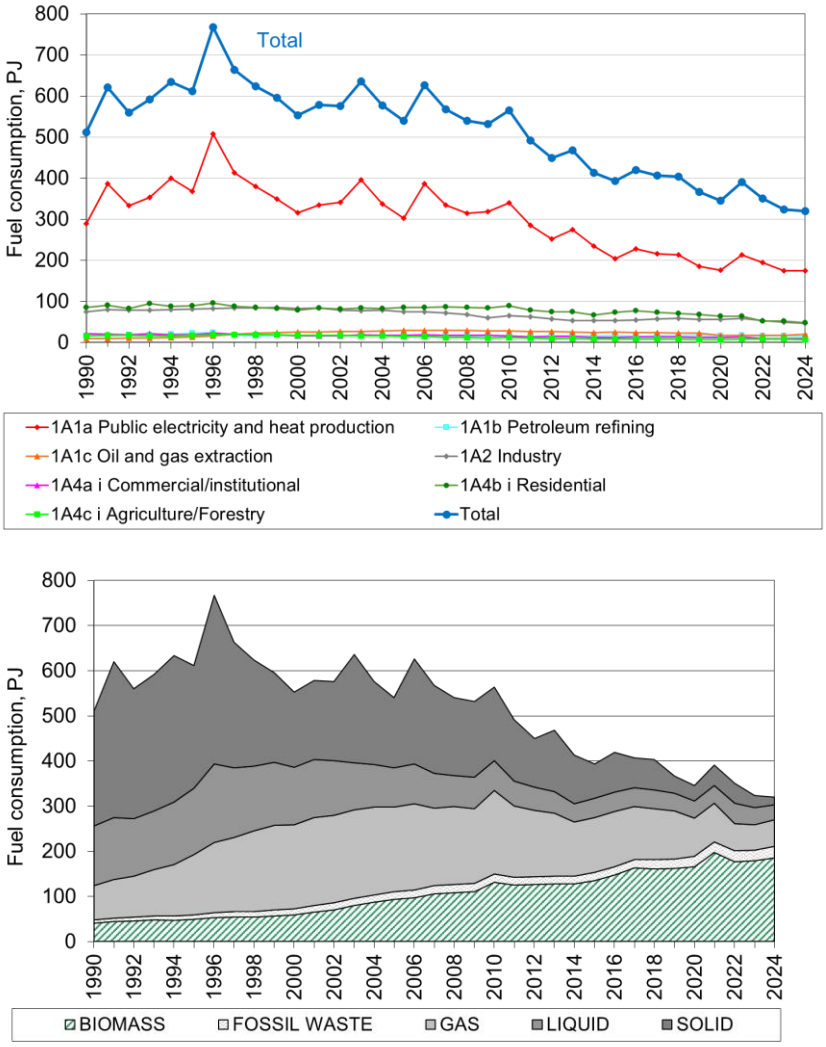


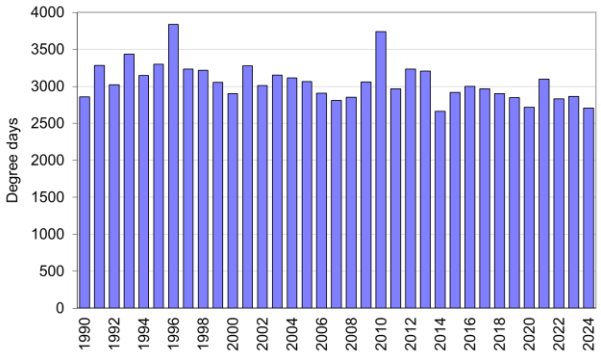
Figure 3.2.3 Fuel consumption time series, stationary combustion. Based on DEA (2025a).

The fluctuations in the time series for fuel consumption are mainly a result of electricity import/export, but also of outdoor temperature variations from year to year. This, in turn, leads to fluctuations in emission levels. The fluctuations in electricity trade, fuel consumption, CO_2 and NO_x emission are illustrated and compared in Figure 3.2.4. In 1990, the Danish net electricity import was large causing relatively low fuel consumption, whereas the fuel consumption was high in 1996, 2003 and 2006 due to a large net electricity export. In 2024, the net electricity import was 13 PJ, whereas there was a 11 PJ net electricity import in 2023.

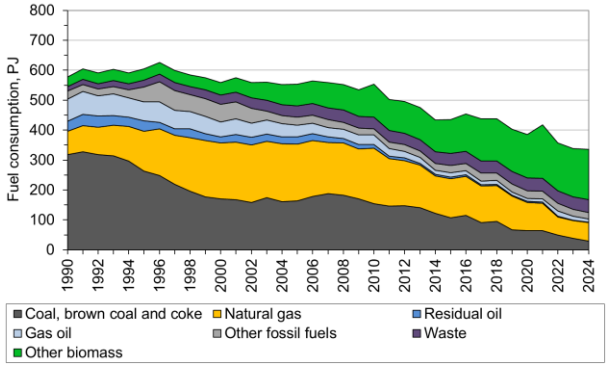
The Danish electricity production is highly dependent on the electricity trade with especially Germany, Sweden, and Norway.

To be able to follow the national energy consumption, the Danish Energy Agency (DEA) produces a correction of the observed fuel consumption and CO_2 emission without random variations in electricity import/export and in ambient temperature. This fuel consumption trend is also illustrated in Figure 3.2.4. The estimates are based on DEA (2016) and updated data (DEA, 2025d). The corrections are included here to explain the fluctuations in the time series for fuel rates and emissions.

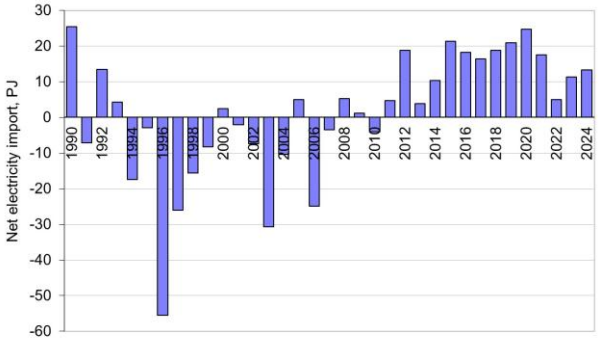
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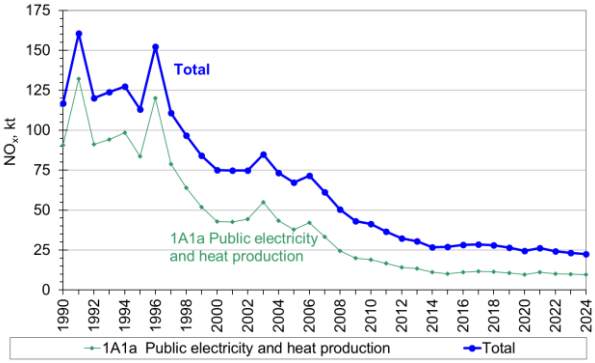
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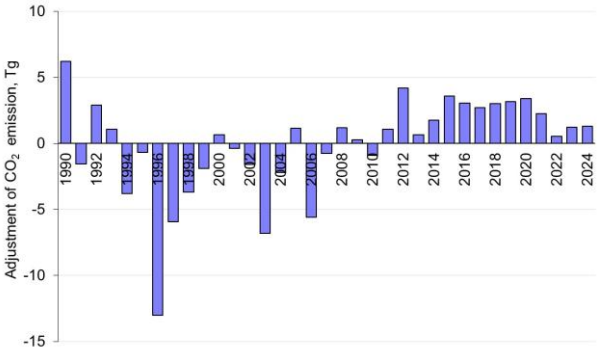
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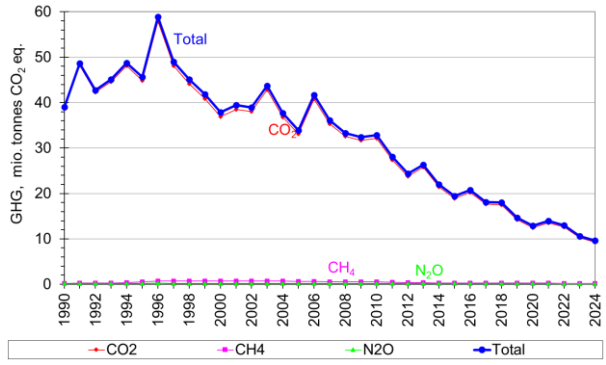
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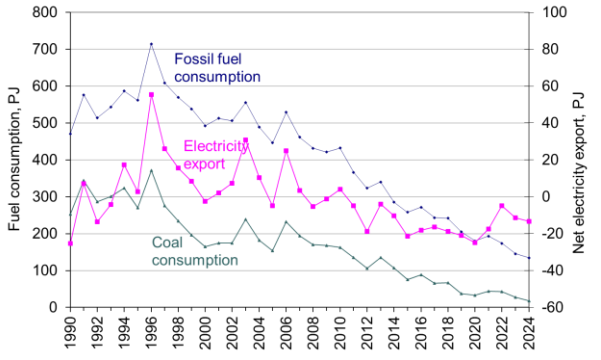
CO_2 emission adjustment as a result of electricity trade



GHG emission



Fluctuations in electricity trade compared to fuel consumption



Adjusted GHG emission, stationary combustion plants

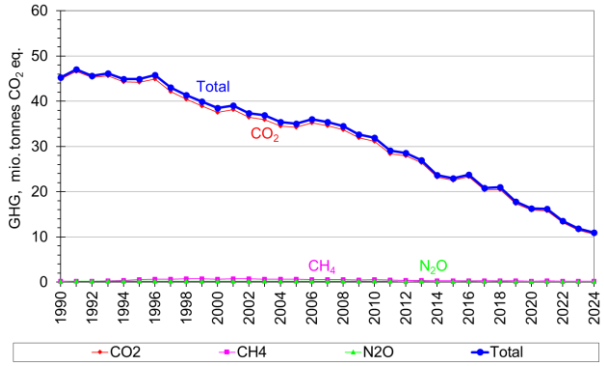


Figure 3.2.4 Comparison of time series fluctuations for net electricity import, fuel consumption, CO_2 emission and NO_x emission. Based on DEA (2025a).

Time series for fuel consumption for the subcategories to stationary combustion are shown in Figure 3.2.5, 3.2.6 and 3.2.7.

Fuel consumption for Energy industries fluctuates due to electricity trade as discussed above. The fuel consumption in 2024 was 33 % lower than in 1990

and the fossil fuel consumption was 72 % lower. The fluctuation in electricity production is based on fossil fuel consumption in the subcategory Public electricity and heat production. The energy consumption in Oil and gas extraction is mainly natural gas used in gas turbines in the offshore industry. The biomass fuel consumption in Energy industries in 2024 added up to 126 PJ, which is 7.8 times the level in 1990 and 7 % higher than in 2023.

The fuel consumption in Industry was 38 % lower in 2024 than in 1990 (Figure 3.2.6) and the fossil fuel consumption was 58 % lower. The fuel consumption in industrial plants decreased considerably after 2006 as a result of the financial crisis. The biomass fuel consumption in Industry in 2024 added up to 18 PJ, which is 3.0 times the consumption in 1990.

The fuel consumption in Other Sectors decreased 48 % since 1990 (Figure 3.2.7). The large decrease in consumption of gaseous fuels from 2021 to 2022 is related to the high energy prices in the winter 2022/-23. The fossil fuel consumption in Other Sectors decreased 78 % since 1990. The biomass fuel consumption in Other sectors in 2024 added up to 42 PJ, which is 2.2 times the consumption in 1990. The consumption of wood and wood pellets in residential plants in 2024 was 2.7 times the consumption in 1990.

Time series for subcategories are shown in Chapter 3.2.3.

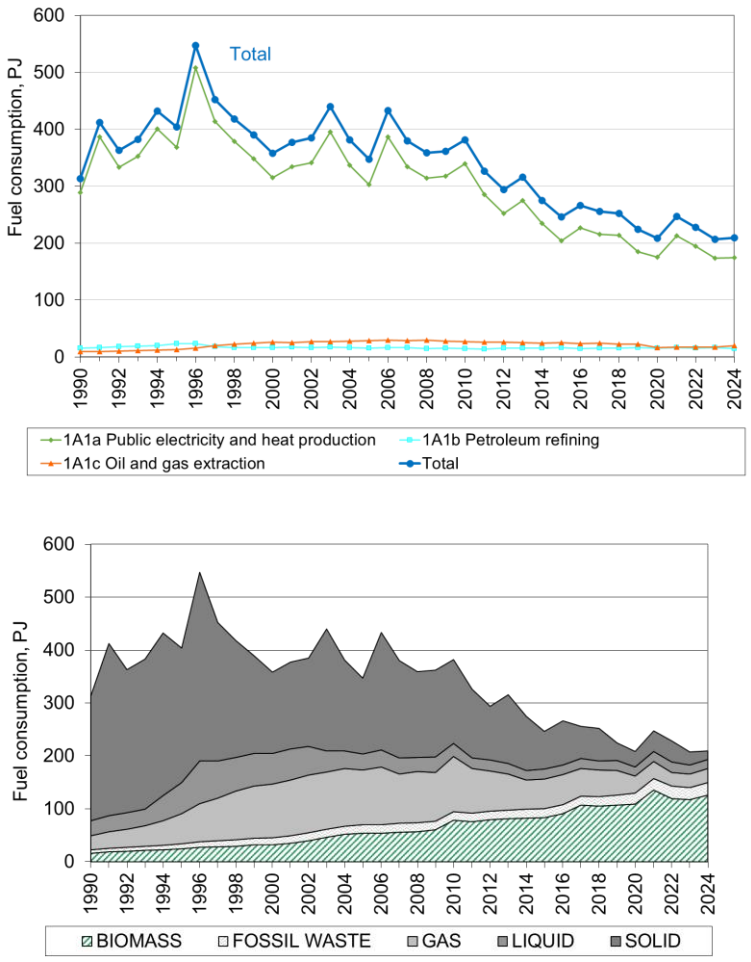


Figure 3.2.5 Fuel consumption time series for subcategories - 1A1 Energy Industries.

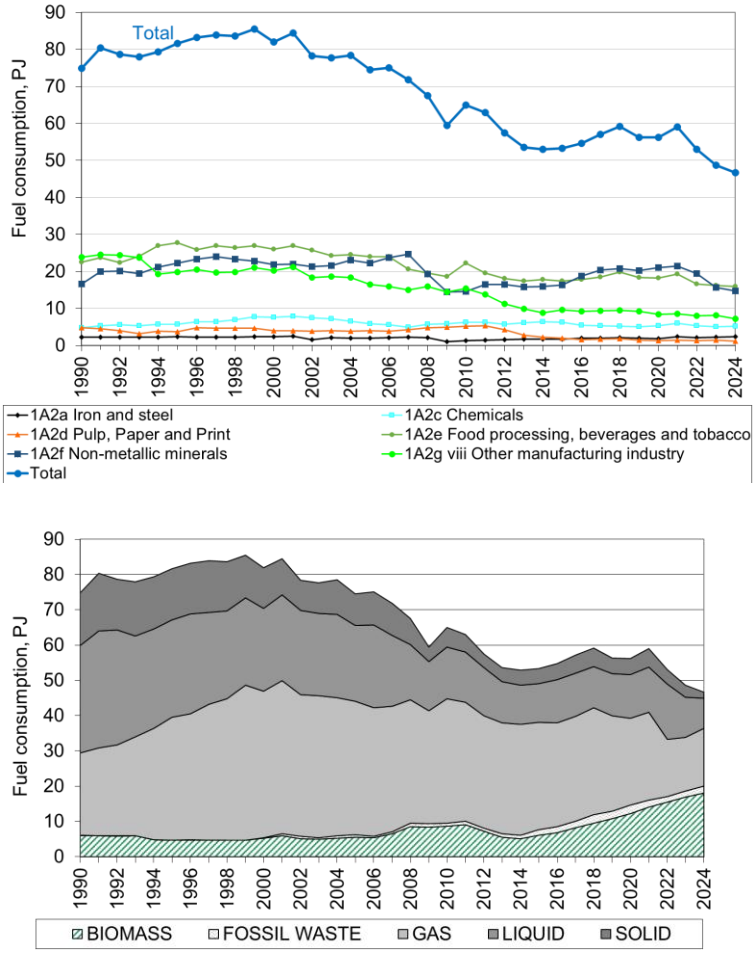
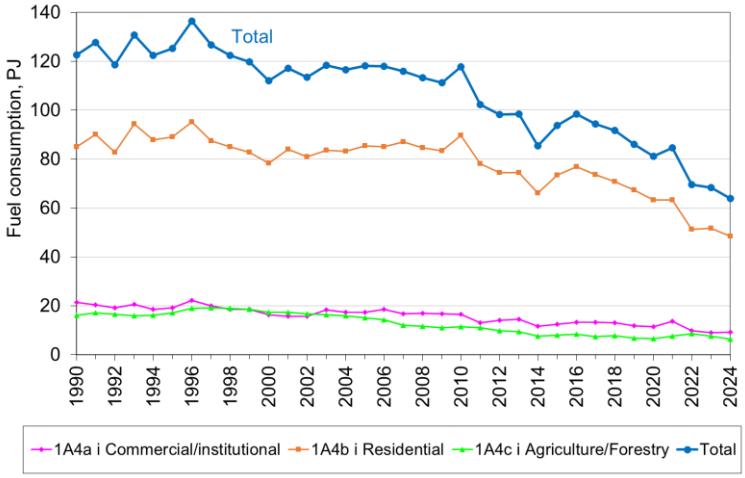


Figure 3.2.6 Fuel consumption time series for subcategories - 1A2 Industry.



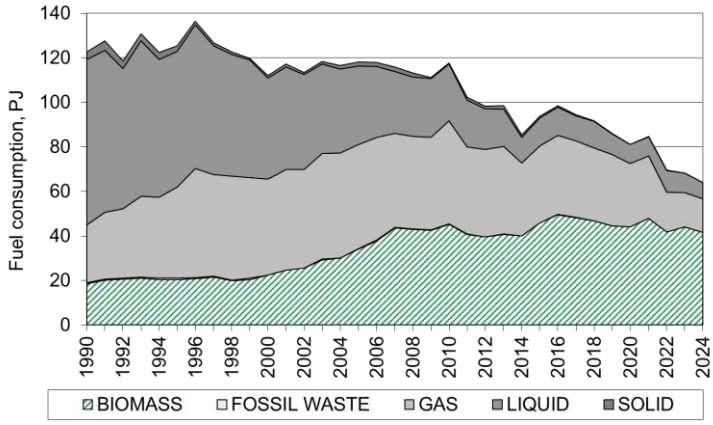


Figure 3.2.7 Fuel consumption time series for subcategories - 1A4 Other Sources

3.2.2 Emissions

Greenhouse gas emission

The greenhouse gas emissions from stationary combustion are listed in Table 3.2.3. The emission from stationary combustion accounted for 26.5 % of the national greenhouse gas emission (including LULUCF) in 2024.

The CO_2 emission from stationary combustion plants accounted for 41 % of the national CO_2 emission (including LULUCF) in 2024. The CH_4 emission accounted for 2.4 % of the national CH_4 emission and the N_2O emission accounted for 2.8 % of the national N_2O emission.

Table 3.2.3 Greenhouse gas emission, 2024 [1].

	CO_2	CH_4	N_2O
	kt CO_2 equivalent		
1A1 Fuel combustion, Energy industries	5959	89	68
1A2 Fuel combustion, Manufacturing industries and construction[1]	1955	14	31
1A4 Fuel combustion, Other sectors [1]	1393	99	35
Emission from stationary combustion plants	9307	202	135
Emission share for stationary combustion (LULUCF included)	41%	2.4%	2.8%

[1] Only stationary combustion sources of the category are included.

CO_2 is the most important greenhouse gas for stationary combustion accounting for 96.5 % of the greenhouse gas emission (CO_2 equivalents). CH_4

accounts for 2.1 % and N_2O for 1.4 % of the greenhouse gas emission (CO_2 equivalents) from stationary combustion (Figure 3.2.8).

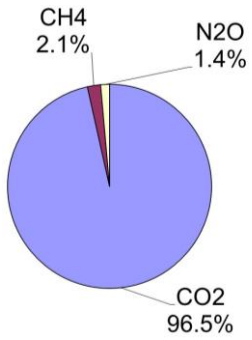


Figure 3.2.8 Greenhouse gas emission from stationary combustion (CO_2 equivalents), contribution from each pollutant, 2024.

Figure 3.2.9 shows the time series of greenhouse gas emissions (CO_2 equivalents) from stationary combustion. The development of the greenhouse gas emission follows the CO_2 emission development very closely. Both the CO_2 and the total greenhouse gas emission are lower in 2024 than in 1990, CO_2 is 75.9 % lower and greenhouse gas emissions are 75.3 % lower. However, fluctuations in the GHG emission level are large.

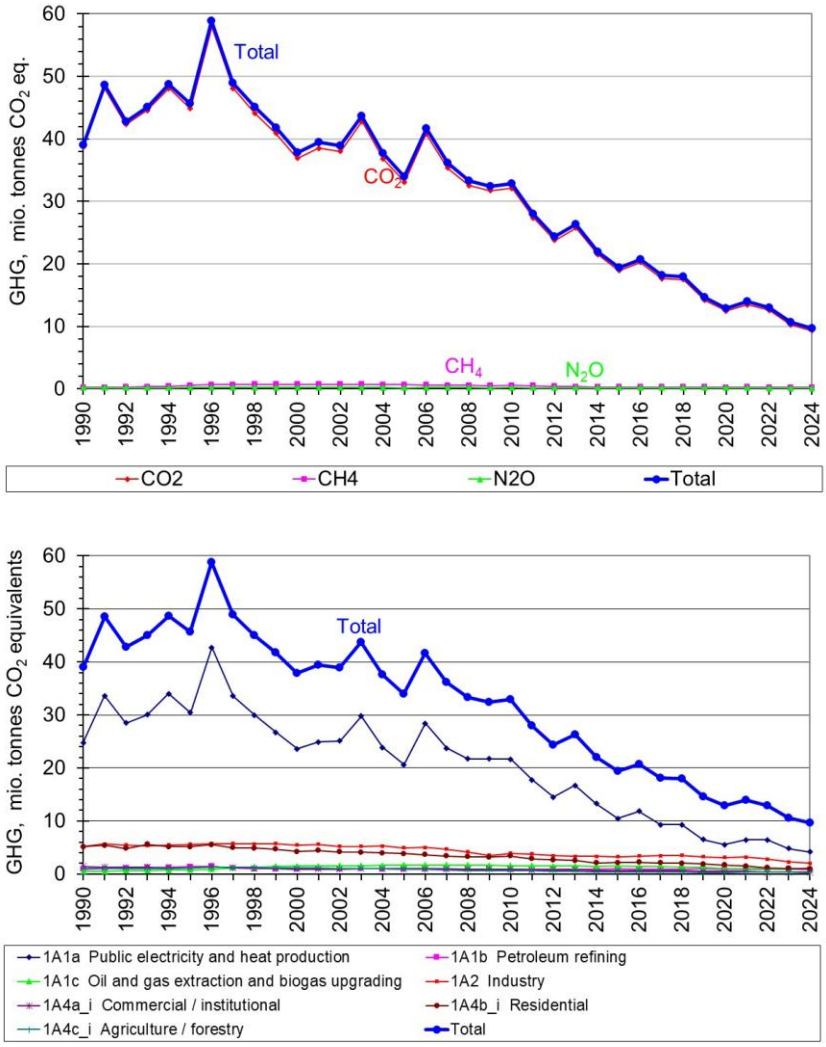


Figure 3.2.9 GHG emission time series for stationary combustion.

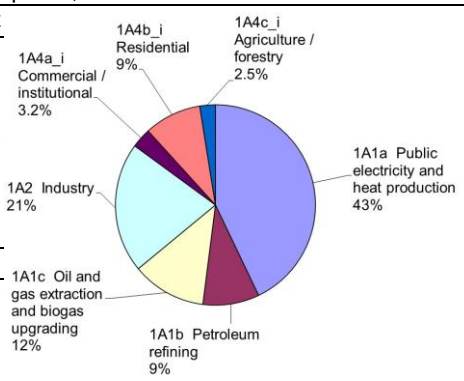
The fluctuations in the time series are largely a result of electricity import/export, but also of outdoor temperature variations from year to year. The fluctuations follow the fluctuations in fuel consumption discussed in Chapter 0. As mentioned in Chapter 0, the Danish Energy Agency estimates a correction of the observed CO_2 emission without random variations in electricity imports/exports and in ambient temperature. The greenhouse gas emission corrected for electricity import/export and ambient temperature has decreased by 75.8 % since 1990, and the CO_2 emission by 76.4 %. These data are included here to explain the fluctuations in the emission time series.

CO_2

The carbon dioxide (CO_2) emission from stationary combustion plants is one of the most important sources of greenhouse gas emissions. Thus, the CO_2 emission from stationary combustion plants accounts for 41% of the national CO_2 emission (LULUCF included). Table 3.2.4 lists the CO_2 emission inventory for stationary combustion plants for 2024. Public electricity and heat production accounts for 43 % of the CO_2 emission from stationary combustion. Industry[3] accounts for 21 % of the CO_2 emission. These source categories also account for a considerable share of fuel consumption.

Table 3.2.4 CO_2 emission from stationary combustion plants, 2024[1)].

	CO_2 kt
1A1a Public electricity and heat production	3992
1A1b Petroleum refining	849
1A1c Oil and gas extraction	1118
1A2 Industry	1955
1A4a Commercial/Institutional	299
1A4b Residential	860
1A4c Agriculture/Forestry	234
Total	9307



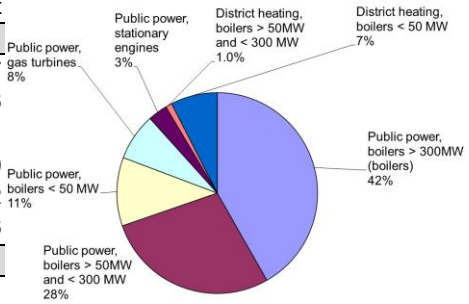
[1)] Only emissions from stationary combustion plants in the categories are included.

In the Danish inventory, the source category Public electricity and heat production is further disaggregated. The CO_2 emission from each of the subcategories is shown in Table 3.2.5. The largest subcategory is power plant boilers >300MW.

[3] Includes only stationary combustion, whereas CO_2 from industrial processes e.g. calcination in cement production is included elsewhere.

Table 3.2.5 CO_2 emission from subcategories to 1A1a Public electricity and heat production.

SNAP name	CO_2, kt
Public power	
Combustion plants ≥ 300MW (boilers)	1667
Combustion plants ≥ 50MW and < 300 MW (boilers)	1116
Combustion plants <50 MW (boilers)	440
Gas turbines	302
Stationary engines	126
District heating plants	
Combustion plants ≥ 50MW and < 300 MW (boilers)	41
Combustion plants <50 MW (boilers)	300



CO_2 emission from combustion of biomass fuels is not included in the total CO_2 emission data, because biomass fuels are considered CO_2 neutral. The CO_2 emission from biomass combustion is reported as a memo item in the Climate Convention reporting. In 2024, the CO_2 emission from biomass combustion in stationary plants was 17 714 kt.

In Figure 3.2.10, the fuel consumption share (fossil fuels) is compared to the CO_2 emission share disaggregated to fuel origin. Due to the higher CO_2 emission factor for coal than oil and gas, the CO_2 emission share from coal combustion is higher than the fuel consumption share.

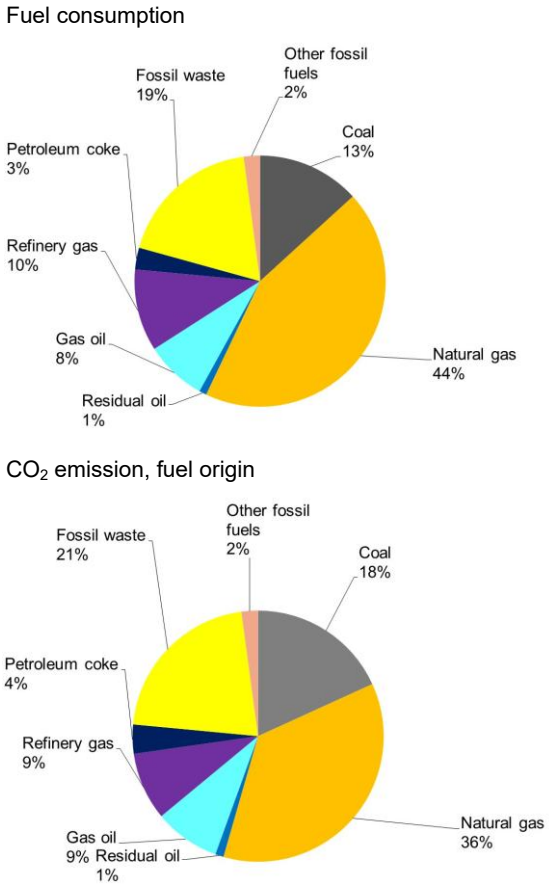


Figure 3.2.10 CO_2 emission, fuel origin.

The time series for CO_2 emission is provided in Figure 3.2.11. Despite a decrease in fuel consumption of 37 %[4] since 1990, the CO_2 emission from stationary combustion has decreased by 76 % due to the change of fuel type used.

The fluctuations in total CO_2 emission follow the fluctuations in CO_2 emission from Public electricity and heat production (Figure 3.2.11) and in coal consumption (Figure 3.2.4). The fluctuations are a result of electricity import/export as discussed in Chapter 0.

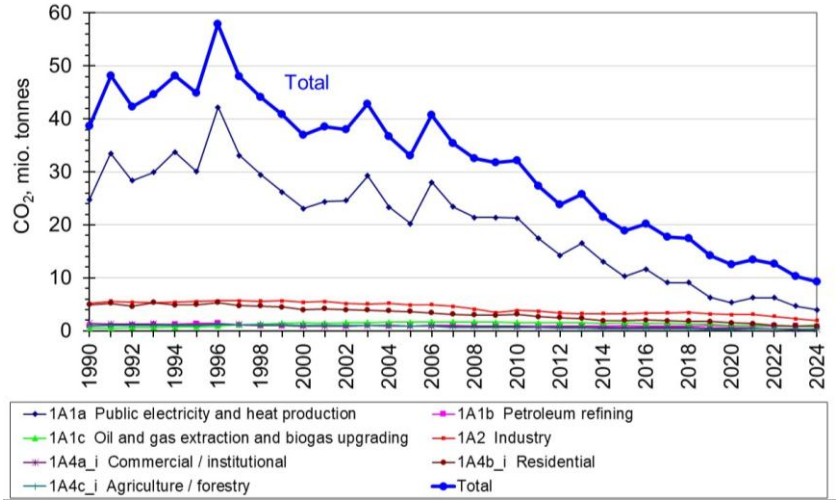


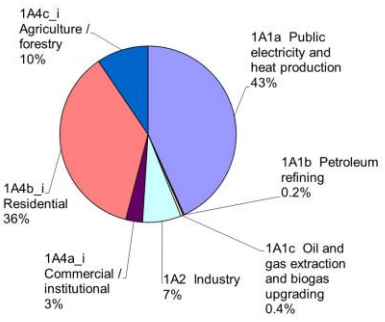
Figure 3.2.11 CO_2 emission time series for stationary combustion plants.

CH_4

The methane (CH_4) emission from stationary combustion plants accounts for 2.4 % of the national CH_4 emission. Table 3.2.6 lists the CH_4 emission inventory for stationary combustion plants in 2024. Public electricity and heat production accounts for 43 % of the CH_4 emission from stationary combustion. The emission from residential plants adds up to 36 % of the emission.

Table 3.2.6 CH_4 emission from stationary combustion plants, 2024[1)].

	CH_4, tonnes
1A1a Public electricity and heat production	3125
1A1b Petroleum refining	17
1A1c Oil and gas extraction	31
1A2 Industry	510
1A4a Commercial/Institutional	222
1A4b Residential	2631
1A4c Agriculture/Forestry	686
Total	7222



[1)] Only emission from stationary combustion plants in the source categories is included.

The CH_4 emission factor for reciprocating gas engines is much higher than for other combustion plants due to the continuous ignition/burn-out of the gas. Lean-burn gas engines have an especially high emission factor. A considerable number of lean-burn gas engines are in operation in Denmark and in 2024, these plants accounted for 44 % of the CH_4 emission from stationary combustion plants (Figure 3.2.12). Most engines are installed in CHP plants

[4] The consumption of fossil fuels has decreased 71 %.

and the fuel used is either natural gas, biomethane or biogas. Residential wood combustion is also a large emission source accounting for 16 % of the emission in 2024. Other large emission sources are residential gas boilers and straw combustion in residential/agricultural boilers.

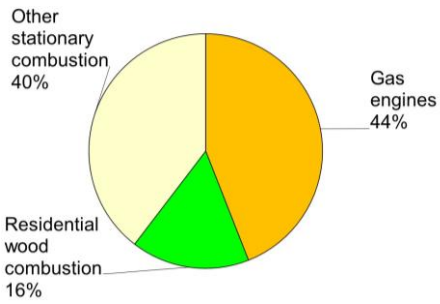


Figure 3.2.12 CH_4 emission share for gas engines and residential wood combustion, 2024.

Figure 3.2.13 shows the time series for CH_4 emission. The CH_4 emission from stationary combustion was 4 % lower in 2024 than in 1990. The emission increased until 1996 and decreased after 2004. This time series is related to the considerable number of lean-burn gas engines installed in CHP plants in Denmark during the 1990s. Figure 3.2.14 provides time series for the fuel consumption rate in gas engines and the corresponding increase of CH_4 emission. The decline after 2004 is due to structural changes in the Danish electricity market, which resulted in fewer profitable operational hours each year for the gas engines.

The CH_4 emission from residential plants was 51 % lower in 2024 than in 1990. For residential plants, the main emission source is combustion of biomass. The consumption of wood in residential plants has increased, whereas the emission factor for residential wood combustion has decreased due to implementation of new improved stoves and boilers. Combustion of wood (including wood pellets) accounted for 45 % of the CH_4 emission from residential plants in 2024.

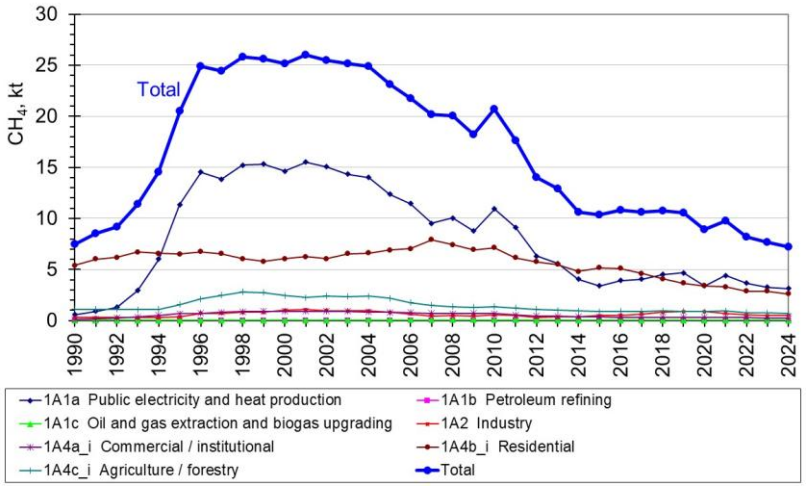


Figure 3.2.13 CH_4 emission time series for stationary combustion plants.

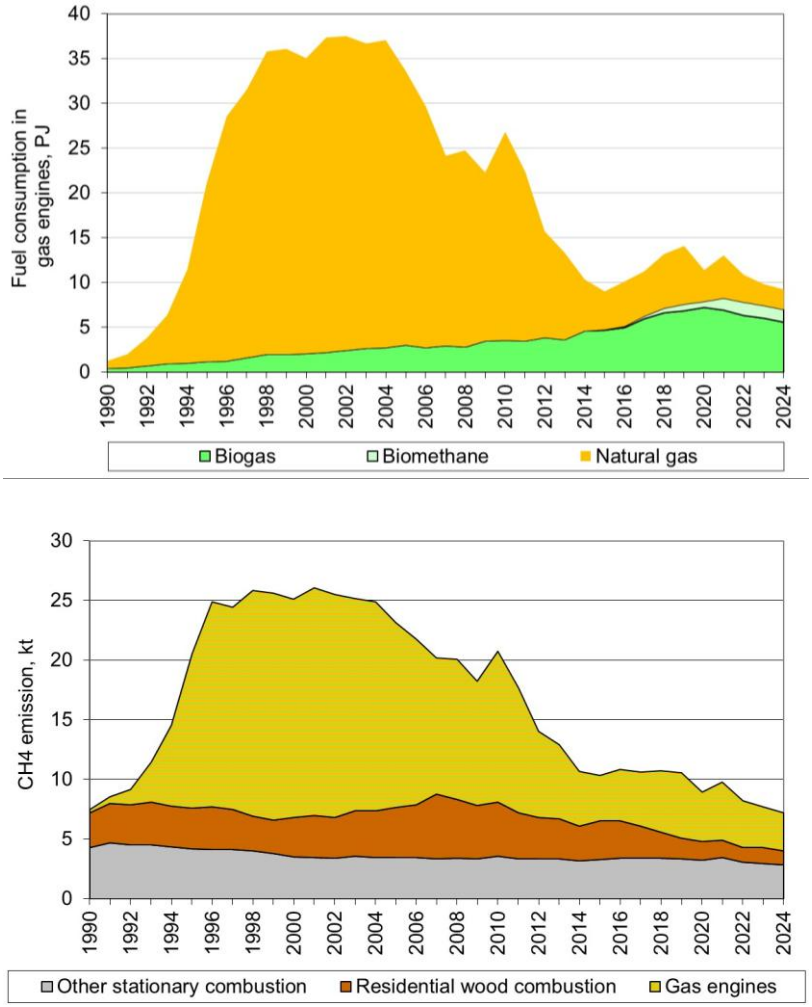


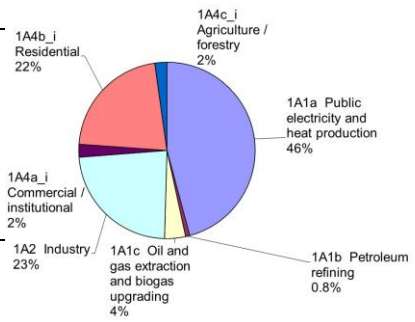
Figure 3.2.14 Time series for a) fuel consumption in gas engines and b) CH_4 emission from gas engines, residential wood combustion and other plants.

N_2O

The nitrous oxide (N_2O) emission from stationary combustion plants accounts for 2.8 % of the national N_2O emission. Table 3.2.7 lists the N_2O emission inventory for stationary combustion plants in the year 2024. Public electricity and heat production accounts for 46 % of the N_2O emission from stationary combustion.

Table 3.2.7 N_2O emission from stationary combustion plants, 2024[1)].

		N_2O, tonnes
1A1a	Public electricity and heat production	233
1A1b	Petroleum refining	4
1A1c	Oil and gas extraction	20
1A2	Industry	119
1A4a	Commercial/Institutional	12
1A4b	Residential	110
1A4c	Agriculture/Forestry	11
Total		508



[1)] Only emission from stationary combustion plants in the source categories is included.

Figure 3.2.15 shows the time series for N_2O emission. The N_2O emission from stationary combustion was 19% lower in 2024 than in 1990, but again fluctuations in emission level due to electricity import/export are considera-

ble. The large decrease between 2021 and 2022 is caused mainly by the lower consumption of wood pellets in residential plants and installation of a high temperature afterburner in an industrial plant.

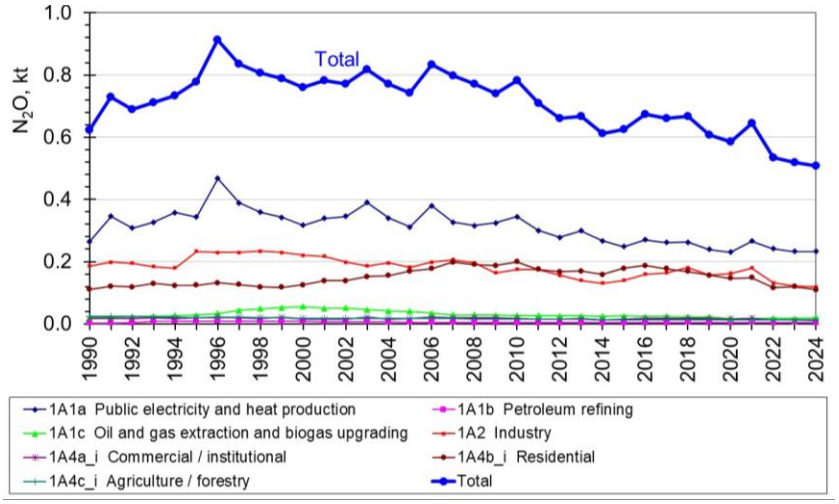


Figure 3.2.15 N_2O emission time series for stationary combustion plants.

SO_2, NO_x, NMVOC and CO

The emissions of sulphur dioxide (SO_2), nitrogen oxides (NO_x), non-volatile organic compounds (NMVOC) and carbon monoxide (CO) from stationary combustion plants 2024 are shown in Table 3.2.8 below. Please refer to the Danish IIR (Nielsen et al., 2026) for further emission data, methodologies and references.

Table 3.2.8 Emissions of SO_2, NO_x, NMVOC and CO, 2024[1)].

		SO_2	NO_x	NMVOC	CO
			kt		
1A1a	Public electricity and heat production	2.21	9.57	0.92	12.68
1A1b	Petroleum refining	0.51	0.90	0.02	0.20
1A1c	Oil and gas extraction	0.01	3.25	0.03	0.18
1A2	Industry	0.73	4.95	0.62	4.50
1A4a	Commercial/Institutional	0.04	0.47	0.11	0.63
1A4b	Residential	0.63	2.77	6.13	42.65
1A4c	Agriculture/Forestry	0.27	0.58	1.14	3.80
Total		4.39	22.48	8.98	64.64

[1)] Only emission from stationary combustion plants in the source categories is included.

3.2.3 Trend for subsectors

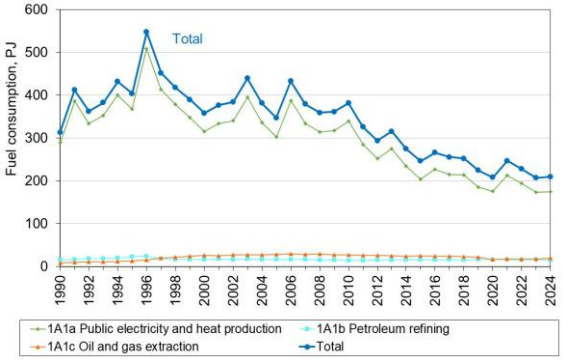
In addition to the data for stationary combustion, this chapter presents and discusses data for each of the subcategories in which stationary combustion is included. Time series are presented for fuel consumption and emissions.

1A1 Energy industries

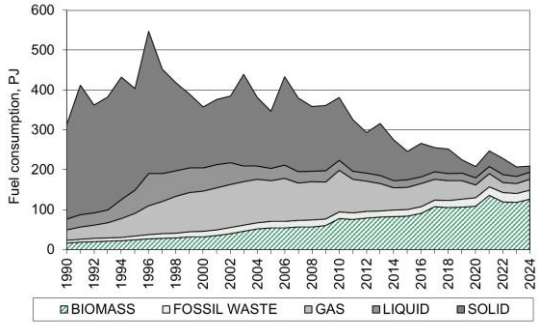
The emission source category 1A1 Energy Industries consists of the subcategories:

- 1A1a Public electricity and heat production
- 1A1b Petroleum refining
- 1A1c Oil and gas extraction

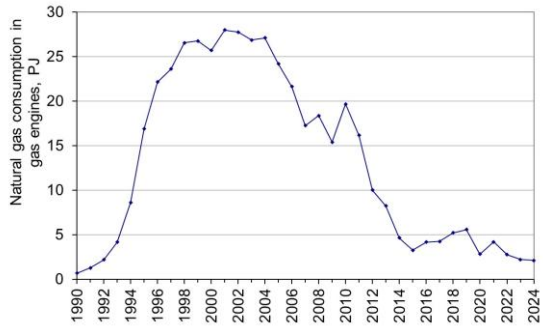
Figure 3.2.16 – 3.2.17 present time series for the Energy Industries. Public electricity and heat production is the largest subcategory accounting for the main part of all emissions. Time series are discussed below for each subcategory.

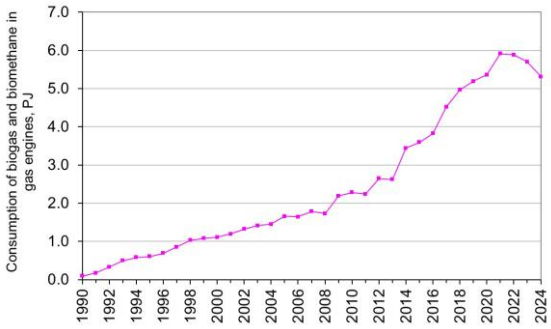


Natural gas fuelled engines



Biogas fuelled engines (biogas, bio gasification gas and biomethane)





Residual oil in petroleum refining

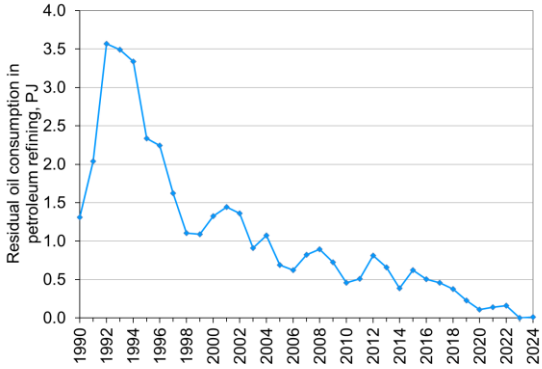


Figure 3.2.16 Time series for fuel consumption, 1A1 Energy industries.

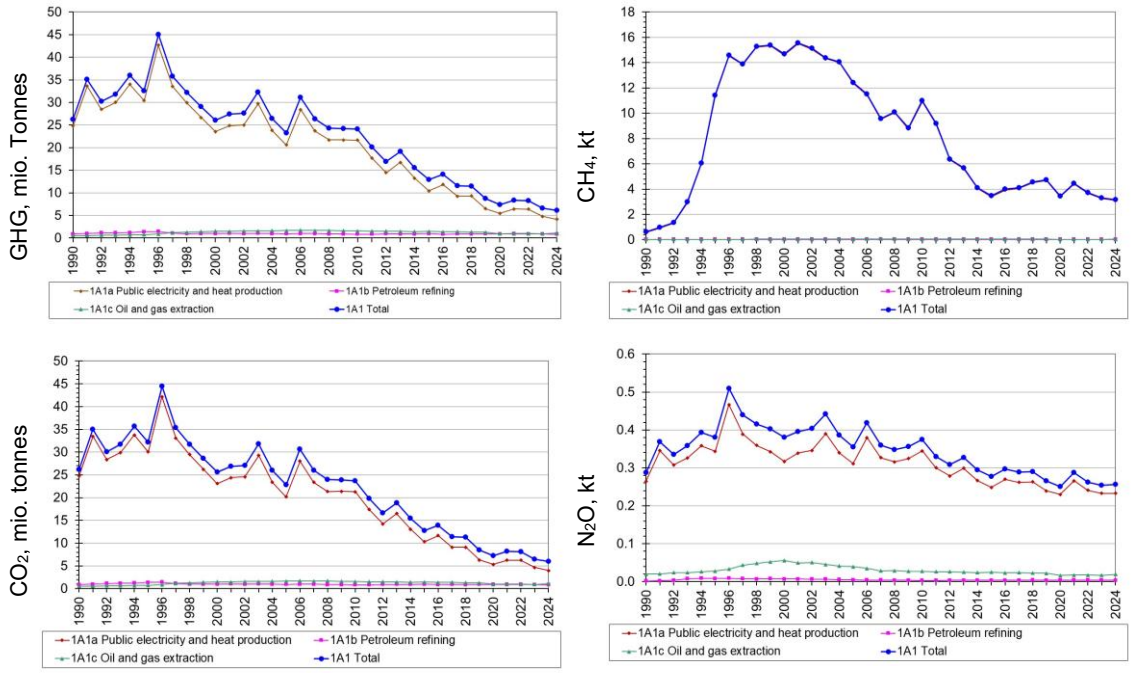


Figure 3.2.17 Time series for greenhouse gas emissions, 1A1 Energy industries.

1A1a Public electricity and heat production

Public electricity and heat production is the largest source category regarding both fuel consumption and greenhouse gas emissions for stationary combustion. Figure 3.2.18 shows the time series for fuel consumption and emissions.

The fuel consumption in public electricity and heat production was 40 % lower in 2024 than in 1990. In addition to fuel type changes, the total fuel consumption is also influenced by the fact that the Danish wind and solar power production has increased.

As discussed in Chapter 3.2.2, the fuel consumption fluctuates mainly because of electricity trade. Coal is the fuel that is affected the most by the fluctuating electricity trade.

Coal was the main fuel in the source category in the 1990s, but the consumption has been decreasing in later years. The coal consumption in 2024 was only 7 % of the 1990 consumption in this sector. The consumption of natural gas increased in 1990-2000 but has decreased since 2010. A considerable part of the natural gas was combusted in gas engines (Figure 3.2.17). The consumption of wood, wood pellets and waste has increased.

The CO_2 emission was 84 % lower in 2024 than in 1990. This decrease – despite only a 40 % decrease in fuel consumption - is a result of the change of fuel types used.

The CH_4 emission has increase until the mid-nineties as a result of the considerable number of lean-burn gas engines installed in CHP plants in Denmark in this period. The decline after 2004 is due to structural changes in the Danish electricity market, which resulted in fewer profitable operational hours each year for the gas engines (Figure 3.2.17). The CH_4 emission in 2024 was 5.3 times the 1990 emission level.

The N_2O emission in 2024 was 12 % lower than the emission in 1990. The emission fluctuates similar to the fuel consumption.

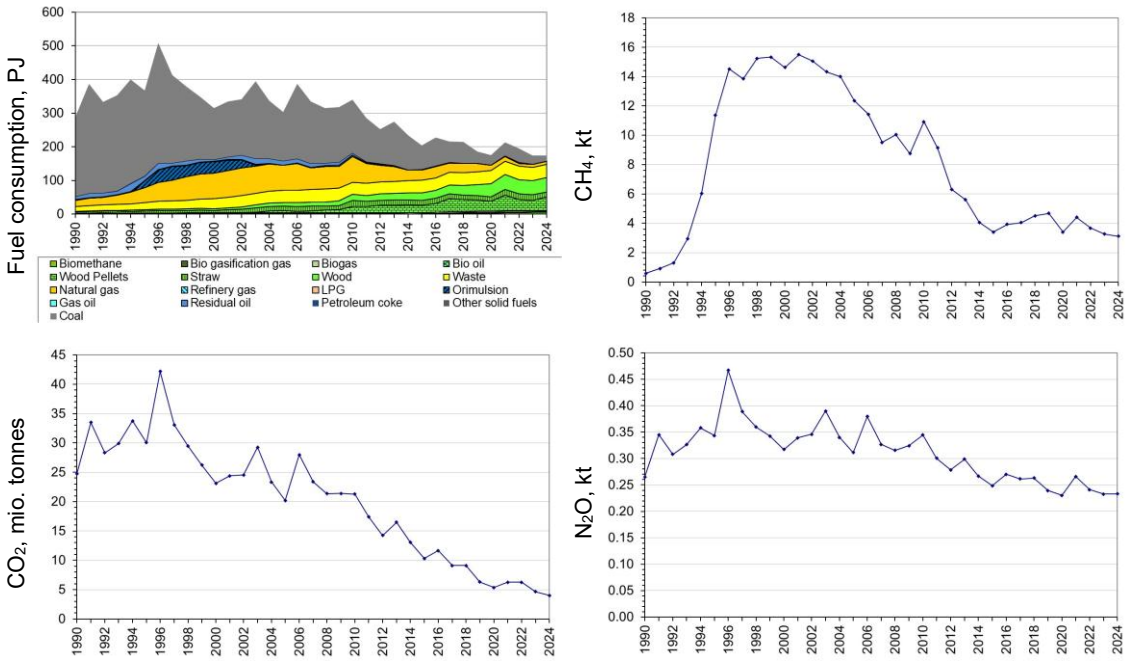


Figure 3.2.18 Time series for 1A1a Public electricity and heat production.

1A1b Petroleum refining

Petroleum refining is a small source category regarding both fuel consumption and emissions for stationary combustion. There are presently two refineries operating in Denmark. Figure 3.2.19 shows the time series for fuel consumption and emissions.

The significant decrease in both fuel consumption and emissions in 1996 is a result of the closure of a third refinery.

The fuel consumption was 1 % since 1990. The CO_2 emission was 7 % lower in 2024 than in 1990.

The CH_4 emission has was 8 % lower in 2024 than in 1990. The reduction in CH_4 emission from 1995 to 1996 was caused by the closure of a refinery.

The N_2O emission was 78 % higher in 2024 than in 1990. The emission increased in 1993 as a result of the installation of a gas turbine in one of the refineries (DEA, 2024b).

The N_2O emission factor for the refinery gas fuelled gas turbine has been assumed equal to the emission factor for natural gas fuelled turbines. This emission factor decreases in the years 2000-2007. This caused the decrease of the N_2O emission in 2000-2007.

Emissions from refineries are further discussed in Chapter 3.5 and in Plejdrup et al. (2021).

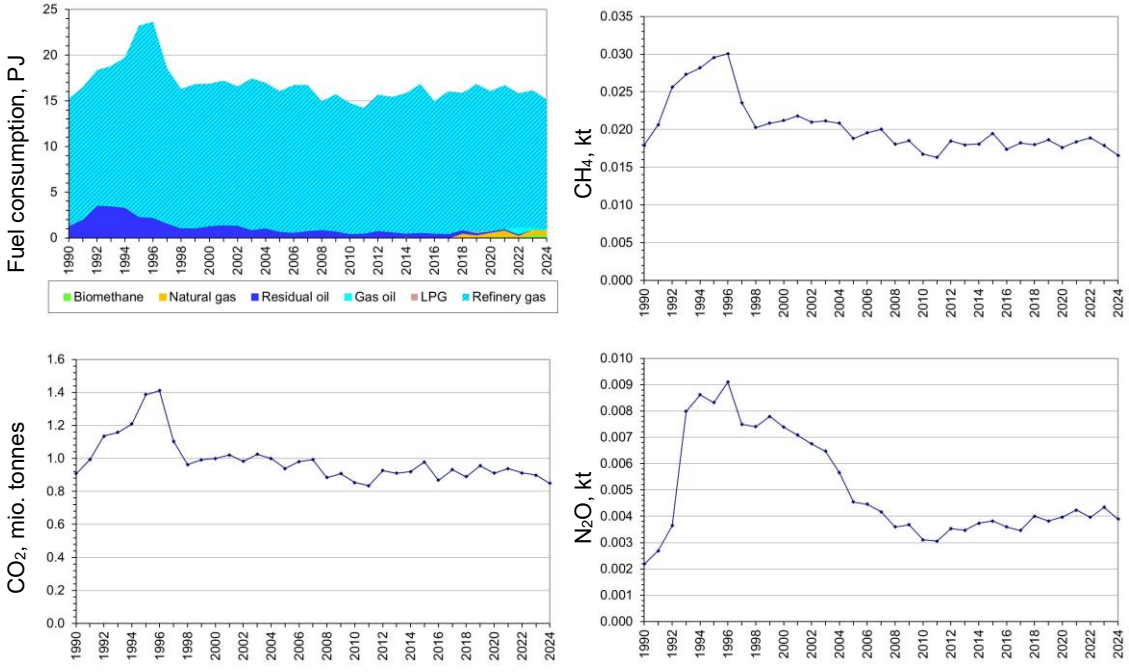


Figure 3.2.19 Time series for 1A1b Petroleum refining.

1A1c Oil and gas extraction and biogas upgrading

The source category Oil and gas extraction and biogas upgrading comprises natural gas consumption in the offshore industry and fuel consumption for upgrading of biogas to biomethane distributed in the gas grid. In addition, a small consumption of gas oil in offshore plants and the fuel consumption in the Danish gas treatment plant[5] is included in this subsector. For offshore industry, gas turbines are the main plant type. Fugitive emissions from fuels are not included in the sector. Venting and flaring are included in the sector 1B2c Venting and Flaring.

Figure 3.2.20 shows the time series for fuel consumption and emissions.

The fuel consumption in 2024 was 120 % higher than in 1990. The consumption of gas offshore is 100 % fossil natural gas, whereas the consumption of gas for upgrading of biogas is gridded gas including both natural gas and biomethane. The fuel consumption has decreased since 2008. The large decrease between 2019 and 2020 is related to renovation of the largest gas field, Tyra. The CO_2 emission follows the fuel consumption and the emission in 2024 was 111 % higher than in 1990.

The time series for N_2O emission follows the decreasing emission factor for gas turbines applied in CHP plants.

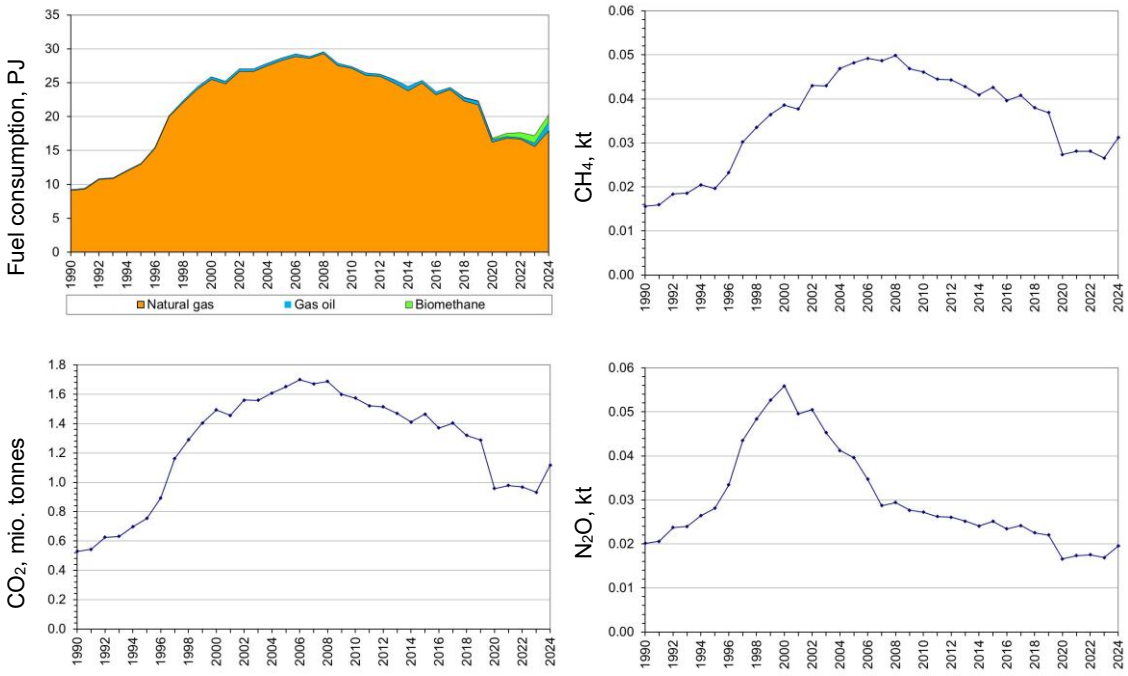


Figure 3.2.20 Time series for 1A1c Oil and gas extraction.

[5] Nybro.

1A2 Industry

Manufacturing industries and construction (Industry) consists of both stationary and mobile sources. In this chapter, only stationary sources are included. Emissions from industrial processes e.g. calcination are not included in the sector stationary combustion.

The emission source category 1A2 Industry consists of the subcategories:

- 1A2a Iron and steel
- 1A2b Non-ferrous metals
- 1A2c Chemicals
- 1A2d Pulp, Paper and Print
- 1A2e Food processing, beverages and tobacco
- 1A2f Non-metallic minerals
- 1A2 g viii Other manufacturing industry

The figures 3.2.21-3.2.22 show the time series for fuel consumption and emissions. The subsectors Non-metallic minerals, Other manufacturing industry and Food processing, beverages and tobacco are the main subsectors for fuel consumption and emissions.

The total fuel consumption in industrial combustion was 38 % lower in 2024 than in 1990. The consumption of fossil fuels was 58 % lower. The fuel consumption in industrial plants decreased considerably after 2006 as a result of the financial crisis. The biomass fuel consumption in Industry in 2024 added up to 18 PJ, which is 3.0 times the consumption in 1990. The consumption of coal and liquid fossil fuels have decreased since 1990.

The greenhouse gas emission and the CO_2 emission are both rather stable until 2006 following the small fluctuations in fuel consumption. The emissions decreased in 2006-2009. Due to change of applied fuels, the greenhouse gas and CO_2 emissions have decreased more than the fuel consumption since 1990; The GHG emission has decreased 61 % since 1990 and the CO_2 emission decreased 61%.

The CH_4 emission has increased from 1994-2001, decreased from 2001 – 2007 and increased again from 2013-2019. In 2024, the emission was 86 % higher than the emission level in 1990. The CH_4 emission follows the consumption of natural gas and biogas in gas engines (Figure 3.2.21). Most industrial CHP plants based on gas engines came in operation in the years 1995 to 1999. The decrease after 2004 is a result of the liberalisation of the electricity market. The increased emission after 2013 is related to new biogas fuelled gas engines installed in dairies.

The N_2O emission has decreased 36 % since 1990. The emission from mineral wool production[6] is a large emission source, and the production of mineral wool production has increased in recent years (see Chapter 4.2.9). This causes the increase of the N_2O emission in 2014-2018. The large decrease in N_2O emission between 2021 and 2022 is caused by installation of a high temperature afterburner in a mineral wool production plant.

[6] Included in sector 1A2f Non-metallic minerals.

The increase of N_2O emission from 1994 to 1995 is related to combustion of coke oven coke in mineral wool production. Plant specific fuel consumption data are only available from 1995 onwards for the mineral wool production plants.

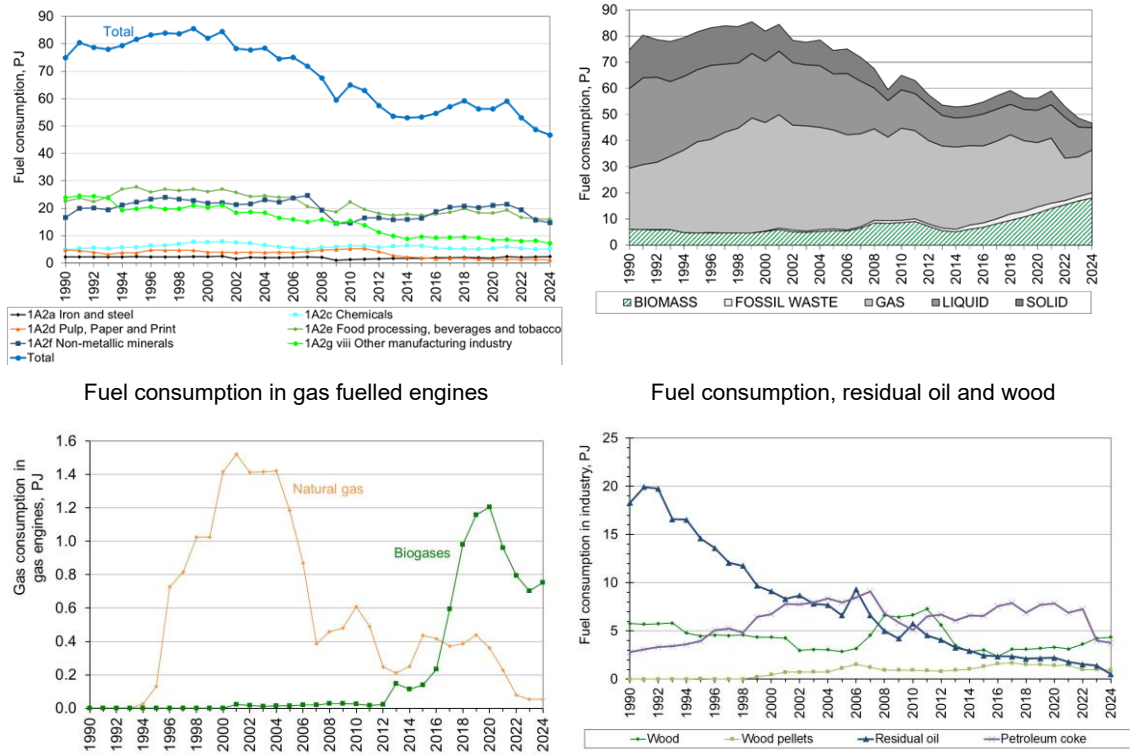


Figure 3.2.21 Time series for fuel consumption, 1A2 Industry.

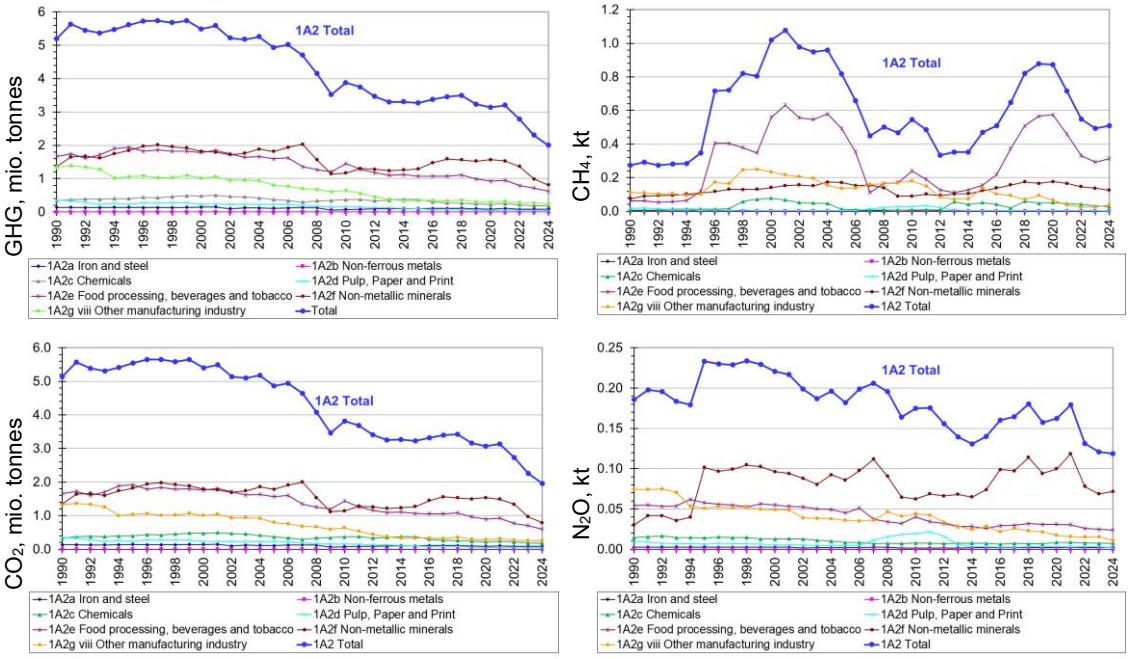


Figure 3.2.22 Time series for greenhouse gas emission, 1A2 Industry.

1A2a Iron and steel

Iron and steel is a very small emission source category. Figure 3.2.23 shows the time series for fuel consumption and emissions.

Natural gas is the main fuel in the subsector. In recent years, the consumption of biomethane is also considerable. An increasing part of the distributed gas is biomethane.

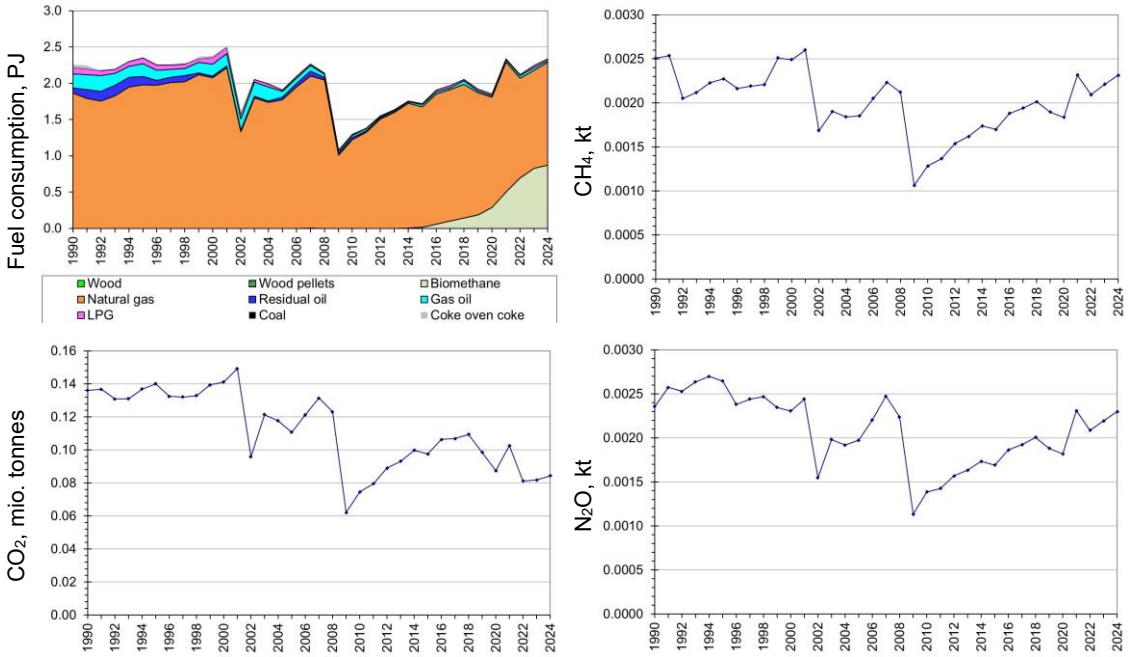


Figure 3.2.23 Time series for 1A2a Iron and steel.

1A2b Non-ferrous metals

No fuel consumption is reported for non-ferrous metals in the Danish energy statistics.

1A2c Chemicals

Chemicals is a minor emission source category. Figure 3.2.24 shows the time series for fuel consumption and emissions.

The fuel consumption was 7 % higher in 2024 than in 1990. Natural gas and in recent years also biomethane are the main fuels in this subsector. The CO_2 emission was 46 % lower in 2024 than in 1990. The time series for CH_4 emission 1997 - 2006 is related to consumption of natural gas in gas engines. The higher and fluctuating CH_4 emission in 2012 to 2024 is related to a few biogas fuelled engines in the industry. The decreasing time series for N_2O emission is related to the decreasing consumption of residual oil.

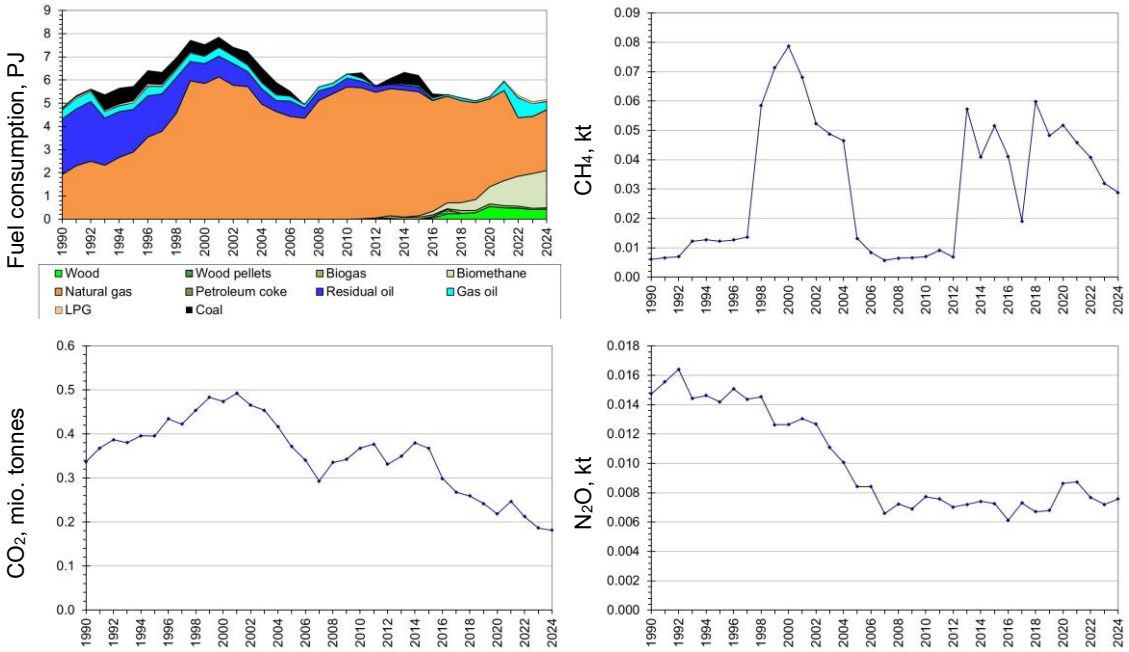


Figure 3.2.24 Time series for 1A2c Chemicals.

1A2d Pulp, paper and print

Pulp, paper and print is a minor emission source category. Figure 3.2.25 shows the time series for fuel consumption and emissions.

The fuel consumption has decreased 75 % from 1990. The time series are related to both closure of plants and new combustion units in exiting plants. In addition, the liberalisation of the electricity market caused less operational hours of a natural gas fuelled gas turbine. Natural gas, and in 2007-2013 and 2020-2022 also wood, are the main fuels in the subsector.

The increased consumption of wood in 2007-2013 is reflected in the CH_4 and N_2O emission time series.

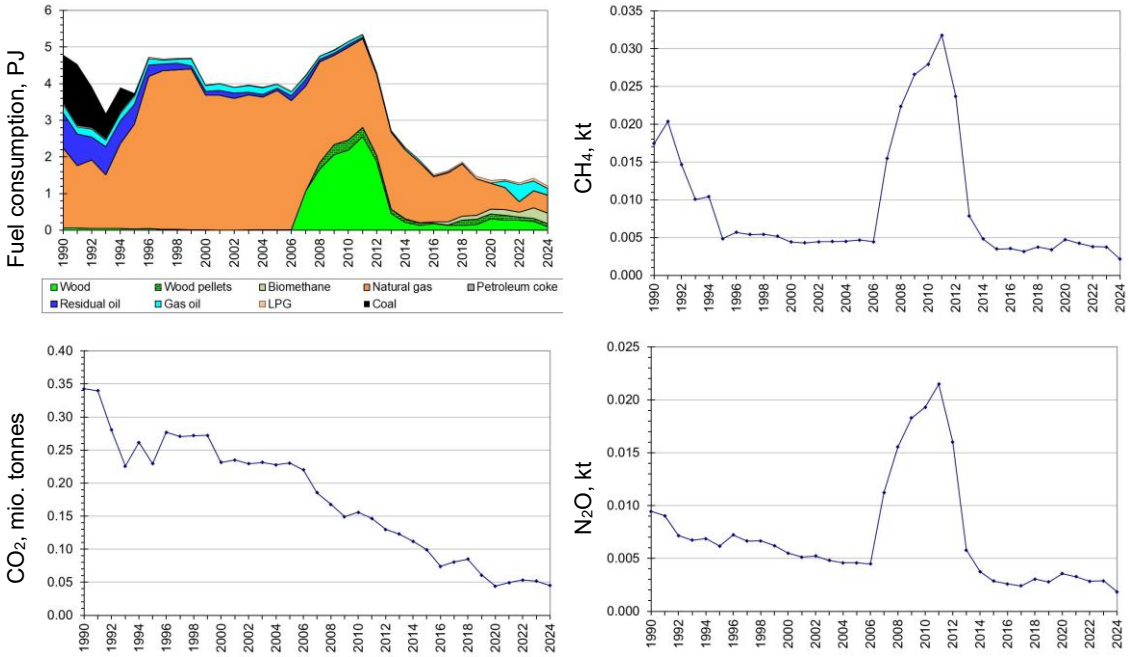


Figure 3.2.25 Time series for 1A2d Pulp, paper and print.

1A2e Food processing, beverages and tobacco

Food processing, beverages and tobacco is a considerable industrial subsector. Figure 3.2.26 shows the time series for fuel consumption and emissions.

The fuel consumption decreased 19 % since 1990. Natural gas, biomethane, residual oil and coal are the main fuels in the subsector. The consumption of coal and residual oil has decreased.

The time series for CH_4 emission follows the consumption of natural gas in gas engines.

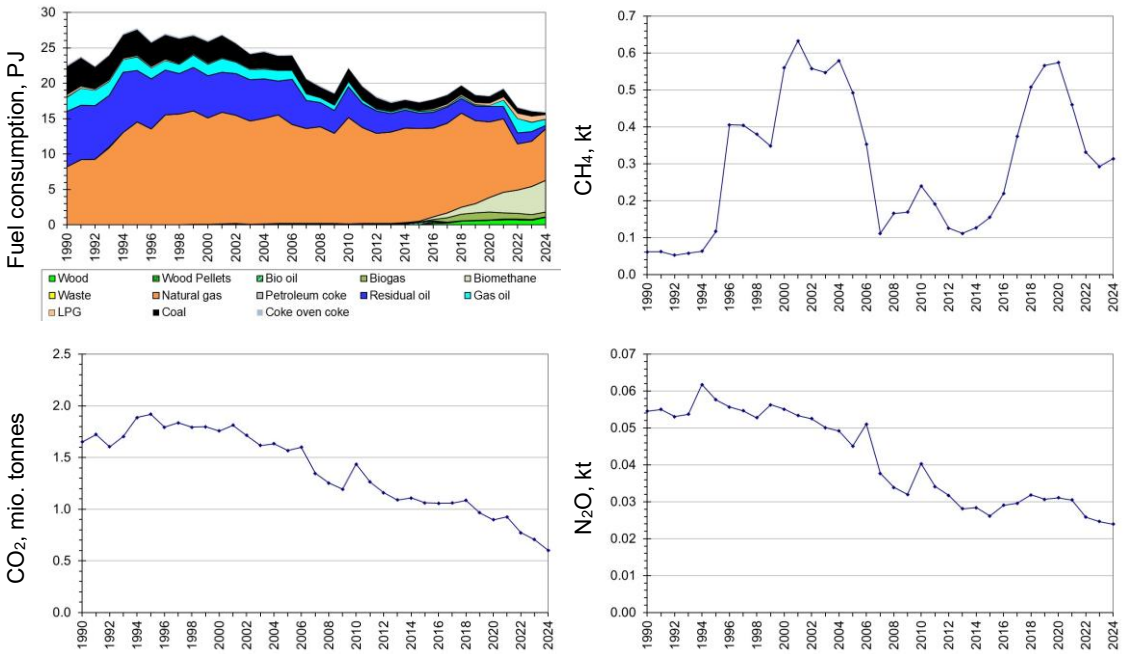


Figure 3.2.26 Time series for 1A2e Food processing, beverages and tobacco.

1A2f Non-metallic minerals

Non-metallic minerals is a considerable industrial subsector. The subsector includes cement production that is a major industrial emission source in Denmark. Production of mineral wool and glass is also included in the subsector. Figure 3.2.27 shows the time series for fuel consumption and emissions.

Petroleum coke, natural gas, biomethane, waste and coal are the main fuels in the subsector in recent years. The consumption of coal has decreased.

Due to the global recession, cement production decreased in 2008 and 2009 but then increased again. This is reflected in the time series.

Combustion of coke oven coke in mineral wool production is a large emission source for N_2O. Plant specific fuel consumption rates for the mineral wool production plants are available from 1995. This causes the increase in N_2O emission between 1994 and 1995.

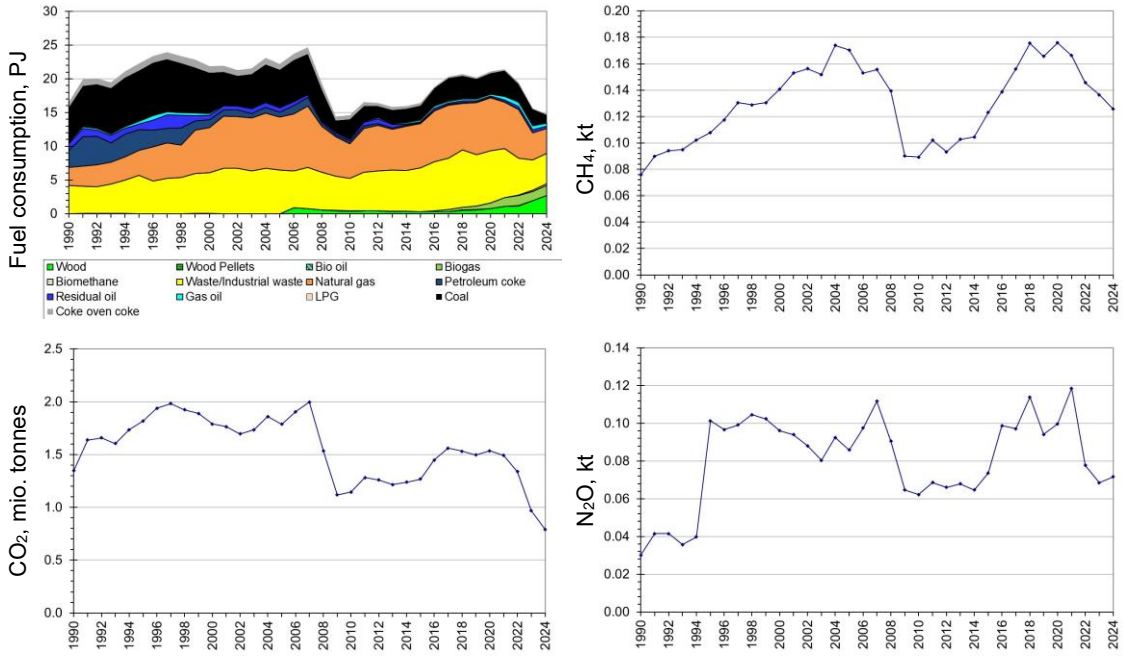


Figure 3.2.27 Time series for 1A2f Non-metallic minerals.

1A2g Other manufacturing industry

Other manufacturing industry is a considerable industrial subsector. Figure 3.2.28 shows the time series for fuel consumption and emissions.

Natural gas, biomethane, and gas oil were the main fuels in the subsector in 2024.

The time series for CH_4 is related to the consumption of natural gas in gas engines.

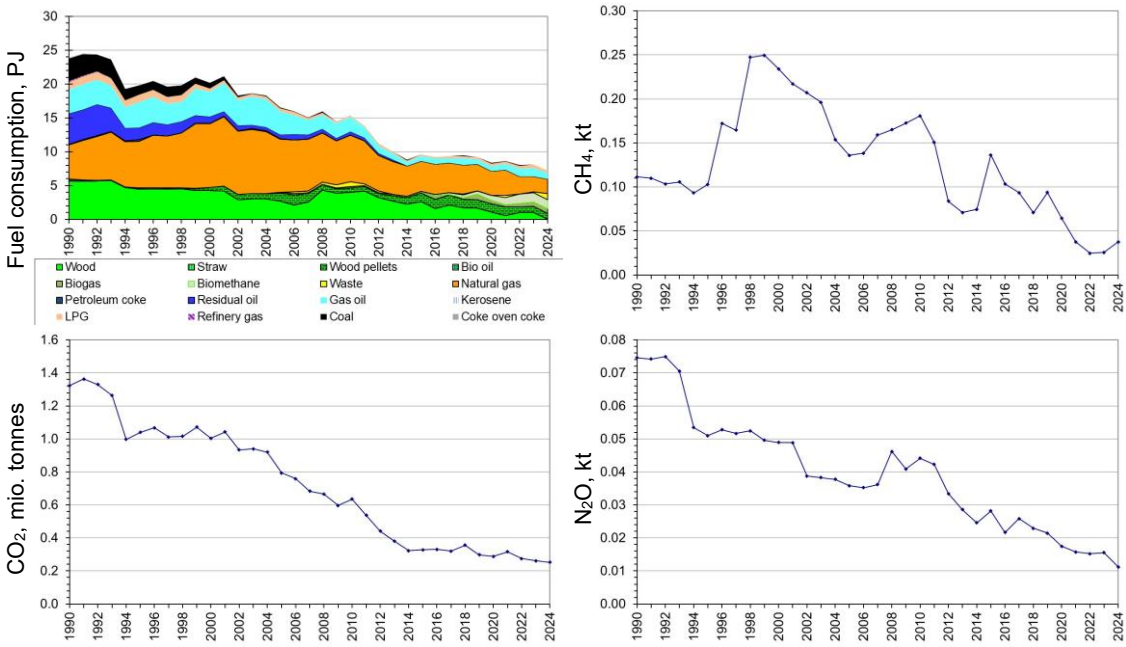


Figure 3.2.28 Time series for 1A2g Industry - other.

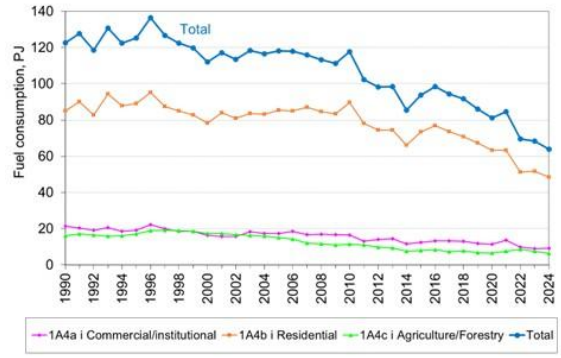
1A4 Other Sectors

The emission source category 1A4 Other Sectors consists of the subcategories:

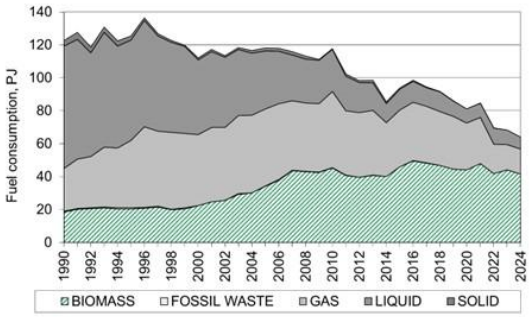
- 1A4a Commercial/Institutional plants.
- 1A4b Residential plants.
- 1A1c Agriculture/Forestry.

The Figures 3.2.29-30 present time series for this emission source category. Residential plants are the dominant subcategory accounting for the largest part of all emissions. Time series are discussed below for each subcategory.

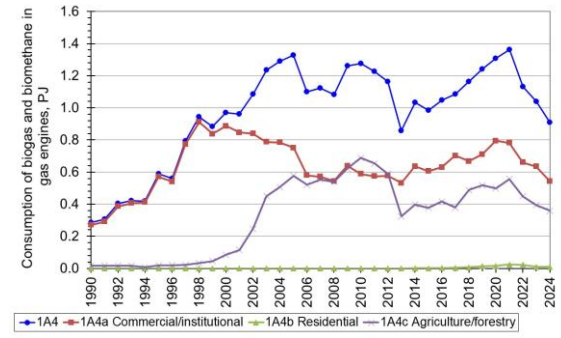
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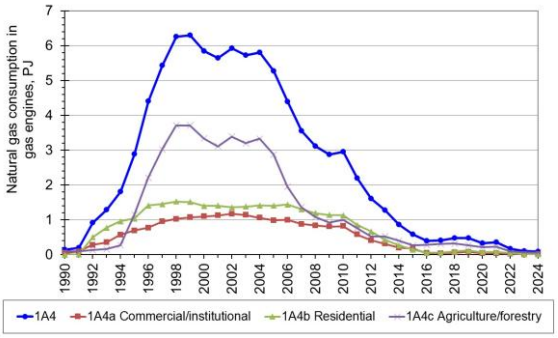
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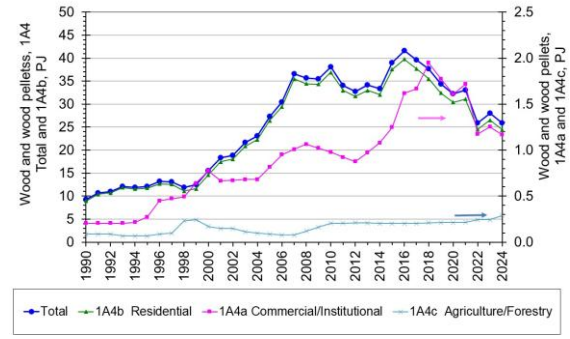
Gas engines, biogas
(subsectors to Other Sectors)



Gas engines, natural gas
(subsectors to Other Sectors)



Combustion of wood in Other Sectors



Combustion of straw in Other Sectors

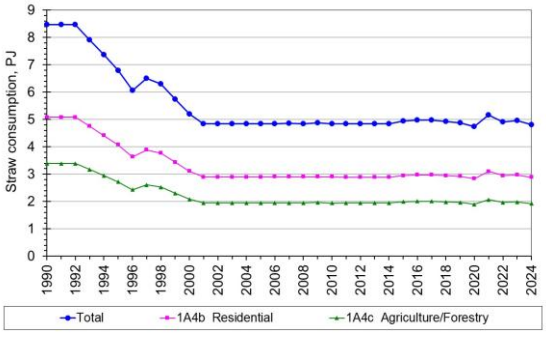


Figure 3.2.29 Time series for fuel consumption, 1A4 Other Sectors.

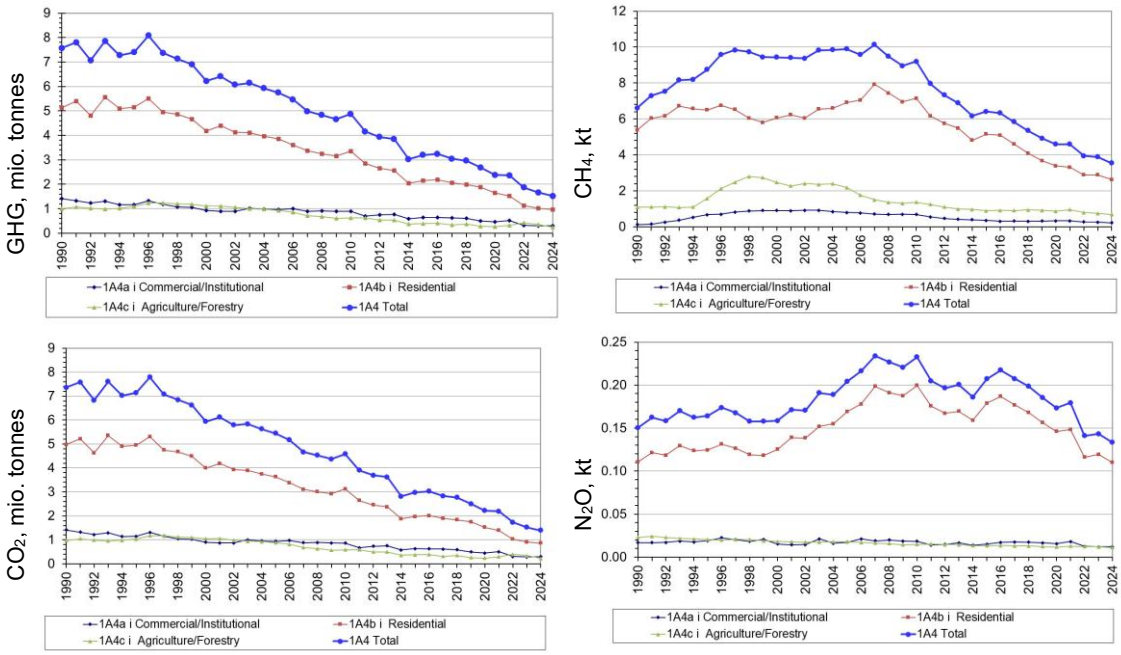


Figure 3.2.30 Time series for greenhouse gas emission, 1A4 Other Sectors.

1A4a Commercial and institutional plants

The subcategory Commercial and institutional plants consists of both stationary and mobile sources. In this chapter, only stationary sources are included. Figure 3.2.31 shows the time series for fuel consumption and emissions.

The subcategory Commercial and institutional plants has low fuel consumption and emissions compared to the other stationary combustion emission source categories.

The fuel consumption in Commercial/institutional plants has decreased 57 % since 1990 and the fuels applied have changed. In later years, the main fuel is natural gas and biomethane. The consumption of gas oil has decreased since 1990.

The decrease in fuel consumption between 2021 and 2022 is related to high energy prices for natural gas and wood pellets in 2022. In addition, a limitation to the allowed temperatures in public office buildings and schools in the winter 2022-2023 caused a decrease of fuel consumption in this sector.

The CO_2 emission has decreased 79 % since 1990. Both the decrease of fuel consumption and the change of fuels contribute to the decreased CO_2 emission.

The CH_4 emission in 2024 was 71 % higher than the 1990 level. The increase is mainly a result of the increased emission from natural gas fuelled engines. The emissions from biogas-fuelled engines and from combustion of wood also contribute to the increase. The time series for consumption of natural gas and biogas are shown in Figure 3.2.29.

The N_2O emission in 2024 was 29 % lower than in 1990. The fluctuations of the N_2O emission are mainly a result of fluctuations in consumption of natural gas and waste.

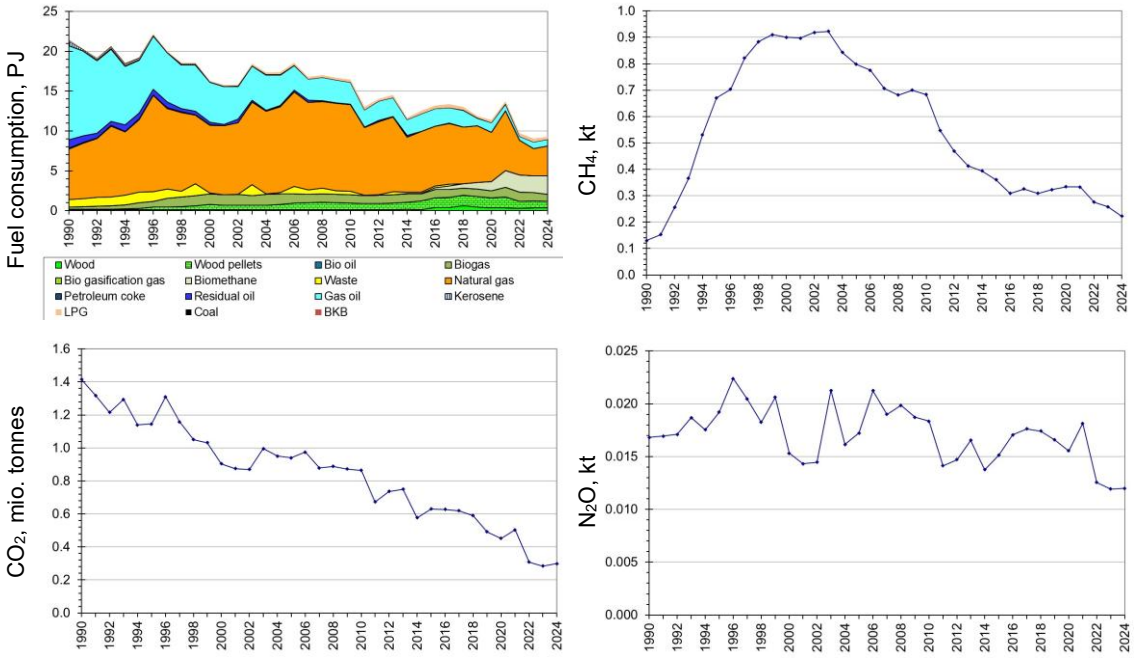


Figure 3.2.31 Time series for 1A4a Commercial /institutional.

1A4b Residential plants

The emission source category Residential plants consists of both stationary and mobile sources. In this chapter, only stationary sources are included. Figure 3.2.32 shows the time series for fuel consumption and emissions.

For residential plants, the total fuel consumption was 43 % lower in 2024 than in 1990. Both energy savings, increased use of district heating, and installation of electrical heat pumps added to the lower fuel consumption in 2024.

The consumption of gas oil has decreased since 1990 whereas the consumption of wood, wood pellets and biomethane has increased considerably.

The large decrease (19 %) from 2021 to 2022 was caused by high fuel prices in the winter 2022/2023, especially for natural gas/biomethane and wood pellets.

The CO_2 emission has decreased by 83 % since 1990. This decrease is a result of:

- Improved isolation that has caused lower energy consumption for heating in spite of an increased area.
- A higher share of the residential heating is based on district heating and electrical heat pumps. Thus, the emissions are included in sector 1A1a.
- The considerable change in fuels used from gas oil to log wood, wood pellets, biomethane and natural gas.

The CH_4 emission from residential plants was 51 % lower in 2024 than in 1990. Residential wood combustion is a large source of CH_4 emission, and the consumption of wood has increased whereas the emission factor has decreased since 1990. Replacement of older stoves and boilers with new improved stoves and boilers cause a lower CH_4-emission factor for residential wood combustion, see also Chapter 3.2.5.

The N_2O emission in 2024 was 1 % lower than in 1990. The consumption of wood has increased since 1990 whereas the consumption of gas oil has decreased. The N_2O emission factor for wood is higher than for gas oil.

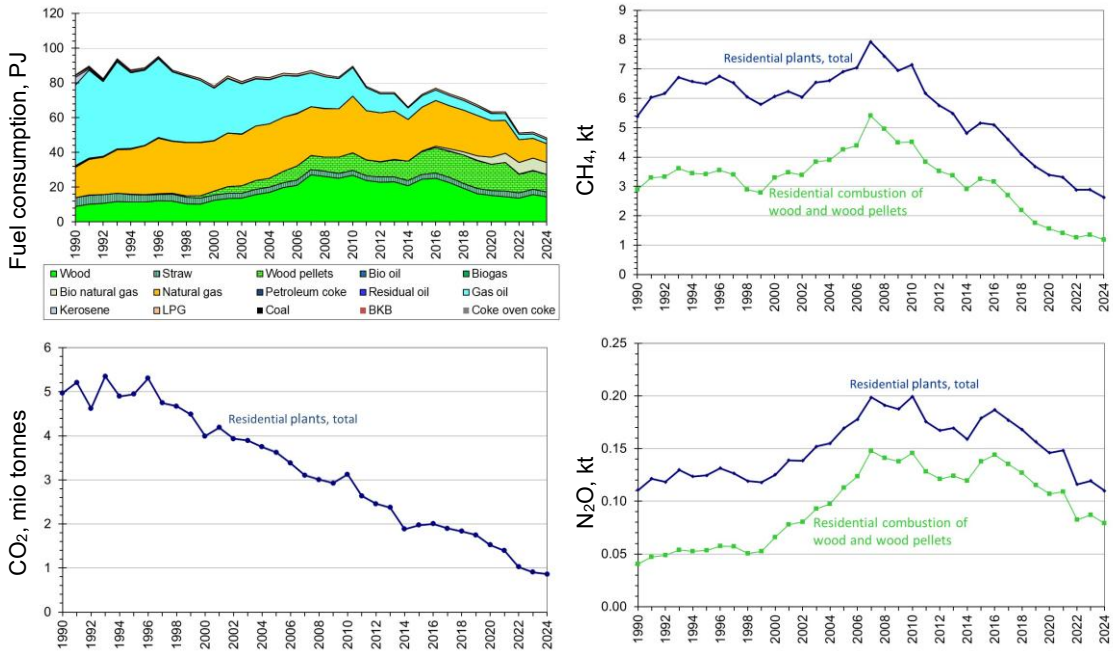


Figure 3.2.32 Time series for 1A4b Residential plants.

1A4c Agriculture/forestry

The emission source category Agriculture/forestry consists of both stationary and mobile sources. In this chapter, only stationary sources are included. Figure 3.2.33 shows the time series for fuel consumption and emissions.

For plants in Agriculture/forestry, the fuel consumption has decreased 61 % since 1990.

The type of fuel that has been applied has changed since 1990. In the years 1994-2004, the consumption of natural gas was high, but after 2004, the consumption decreased again. A large part of the natural gas consumption has been applied in gas engines (Figure 3.2.29). Most CHP plants in Agriculture/forestry based on gas engines came in operation in 1995-1999. The decrease after 2004 is a result of the liberalisation of the electricity market.

The consumption of coal, residual oil and straw has decreased since 1990. The consumption of biogas has increased.

The CO_2 emission in 2024 was 76 % lower than in 1990. The CO_2 emission increased from 1990 to 1996 due to increased fuel consumption. Since 1996, the CO_2 emission has decreased in line with the decrease in fuel consumption.

The CH_4 emission in 2024 was 37 % lower than in 1990. The emission follows the time series for natural gas combusted in gas engines (Figure 3.2.29). The emission from combustion of straw has decreased as a result of the decreasing consumption of straw in the sector.

The emission of N_2O has decreased by 51 % since 1990. The decrease is a result of the lower fuel consumption as well as the change of fuel. The decreasing consumption of straw contributes considerably to the decrease of emission.

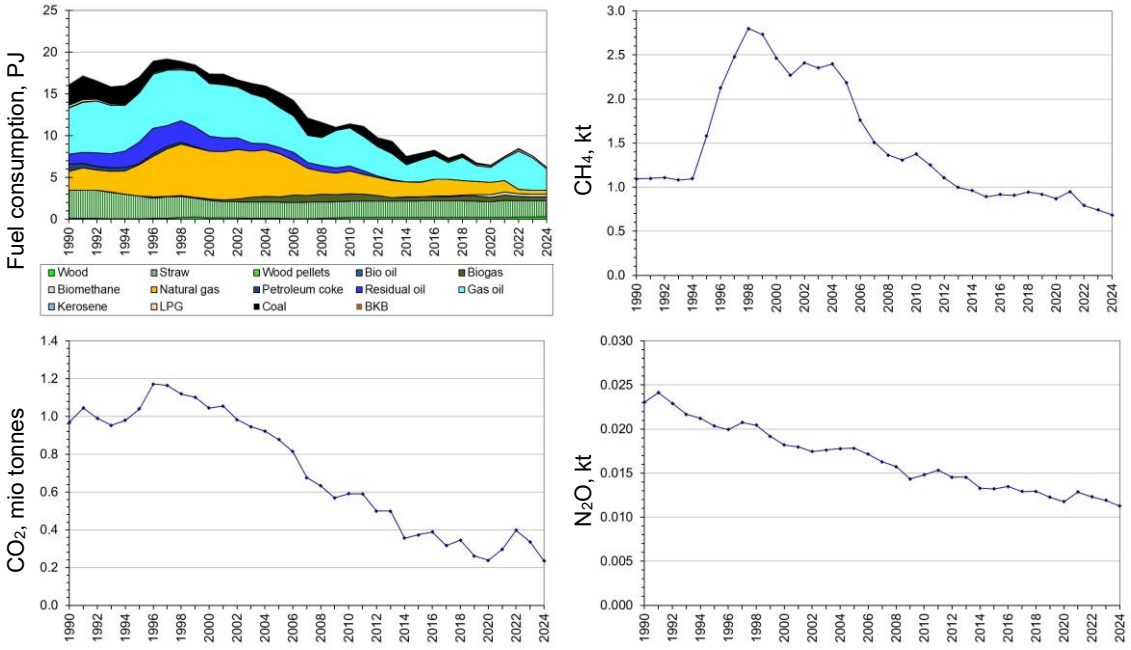


Figure 3.2.33 Time series for 1A4c Agriculture/Forestry.

3.2.4 Methodological issues

The Danish emission inventory is based on the CORINAIR (CORe INventory on AIR emissions) system, which is a European program for air emission inventories. CORINAIR includes methodology structure and software for inventories. The methodology is described in the EMEP/EEA Guidebook (EEA, 2023). Emission data are stored in MS Access databases, from which data are transferred to the reporting formats.

In the Danish emission database, all activity rates and emissions are defined in SNAP sector categories (Selected Nomenclature for Air Pollution) according the CORINAIR system. The emission inventories are prepared from a complete emission database based on the SNAP source categories. Aggregation to the source category codes used in CRT is based on a correspondence list enclosed in Annex 3A-1.

The emission inventory for stationary combustion is based on activity rates from the Danish energy statistics. General emission factors for various fuels, plants and sectors have been determined. Some large plants, such as power plants, are registered individually as large point sources and plant-specific emission data are used.

Recalculations and improvements are shown in Chapter 3.2.8 and 3.2.9

Tiers

The type of GHG emission factor and the applied tier level for each emission source are shown in Table 3.2.9 below. The tier levels have been determined based on the IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006). The fuel consumption data for transformation are technology specific. For end-use of fuels, the disaggregation to specific technologies is less detailed. However, for residential wood combustion technology specific fuel consumption rates have been estimated.

The tier level definitions have been interpreted as follows:

- Tier 1: The emission factor is an IPCC default tier 1 value.
- Tier 2: The emission factors are country-specific and based on a limited number of emission measurements or a technology specific IPCC tier 2 emission factor.
- Tier 3: Emission data are based on:
  - plant specific emission measurements or
  - technology specific fuel consumption data and country-specific emission factors based on a considerable number of emission measurements from Danish plants.

Table 3.2.9 gives an overview of the calculation methods and type of emission factor. The table also shows which of the source categories are key in any of the key category analysis (including LULUCF, approach 1/approach 2, level/trend)[7].

This year, one source category (CO_2 from kerosene combustion) based only on tier 1 approach have been identified as key sources. The total emission from this emission sources was 0.1 kton CO_2 equivalent or less than 0.001 %

[7] Key category according to the KCA approach 1 or approach 2 for Denmark (excluding Greenland and Faroe Islands), including LULUCF, level 1990/ level 2024/ trend.

of the national total in 2024. In 1990, the emission was up to 368 kton or 0.5 % of national total.

The 1990 CO_2 emission from kerosene was identified as a key category in earlier emission reporting, and thus implementation of a tier 2 methodology has been considered. The consumption of kerosene in stationary combustion plants was high in 1990 compared to the years before and after. The high consumption is related to the time series in the Danish energy statistics for kerosene consumption in Single family houses. In 1990, this consumption was 6 times the consumption in 1989 and 9 times the consumption in 1991. The Danish Energy Agency has explained that they have not been able to confirm that the 1990-data are incorrect, and thus data will not be revised (Zarnaghi, 2021).

N_2O emission from residential wood combustion is a key source, and this year a country specific emission factor has been implemented and thus the emission estimate is now based on a tier 2 methodology.

Five key category emission sources (N_2O from 1A1 biomass, N_2O from 1A2 liquid fuels, N_2O from 1A2 biomass, N_2O from 1A4 liquid fuels and CH_4 from residential/agricultural plants) are partly based on a tier 1 approach. However, a large part of the emission from these source categories are based on higher tiers.

Table 3.2.9 Methodology and type of emission factor, 2024.

		Tier	EMF[1)]	Key category[2)]
1A Stationary combustion, Coal, ETS data	CO_2	Tier 3	PS	Yes
1A Stationary combustion, Coal, no ETS data	CO_2	Tier 3 [3)]	CS	Yes
1A Stationary combustion, BKB	CO_2	Tier 1	D	No
1A Stationary combustion, Coke oven coke	CO_2	Tier 1/Tier 3	D/PS	No
1A Stationary combustion, Fossil waste, ETS data	CO_2	Tier 3	PS/CS	Yes
1A Stationary combustion, Fossil waste, no ETS data	CO_2	Tier 2	CS	Yes
1A Stationary combustion, Petroleum coke, ETS data	CO_2	Tier 3	PS	Yes
1A Stationary combustion, Petroleum coke, no ETS data	CO_2	Tier 2	CS	Yes
1A Stationary combustion, Residual oil, ETS data	CO_2	Tier 3	PS	No
1A Stationary combustion, Residual oil, no ETS data	CO_2	Tier 2 [4)]	CS	Yes
1A Stationary combustion, Gas oil	CO_2	Tier 2/Tier 3 [5)]	CS / PS	Yes
1A Stationary combustion, Kerosene	CO_2	Tier 1	D	Yes
1A Stationary combustion, LPG	CO_2	Tier 2/Tier 3 [6)]	CS / PS	Yes
1A1b Stationary combustion, Petroleum refining, Refinery gas	CO_2	Tier 3	CS	Yes
1A Stationary combustion, Natural gas, onshore	CO_2	Tier 3	CS	Yes
1A1c_ii Stationary combustion, Oil and gas extraction, Offshore gas turbines, Natural gas	CO_2	Tier 3	CS	Yes
1A1 Stationary Combustion, solid fuels	CH_4	Tier 2	D(2)	No
1A1 Stationary Combustion, liquid fuels	CH_4	Tier/Tier 2	D / D(2) / CS	No
1A1 Stationary Combustion, not engines, gaseous fuels	CH_4	Tier 2	CS / D(2)	No
1A1 Stationary Combustion, waste	CH_4	Tier 2	CS	No
1A1 Stationary Combustion, not engines, biomass	CH_4	Tier 3/Tier 2/Tier 1	CS / D(2) / D	No
1A2 Stationary Combustion, solid fuels	CH_4	Tier 1	D	No
1A2 Stationary Combustion, liquid fuels	CH_4	Tier 1/Tier 2	D / D(2) / CS	No
1A2 Stationary Combustion, not engines, gaseous fuels	CH_4	Tier 2	CS / D(2)	No
1A2 Stationary Combustion, waste	CH_4	Tier 1	D	No
1A2 Stationary Combustion, not engines, biomass	CH_4	Tier 2/Tier 1	D(2) / D	No
1A4 Stationary Combustion, solid fuels	CH_4	Tier 1	D	No
1A4 Stationary Combustion, liquid fuels	CH_4	Tier 1/Tier 2	D / D(2)	No
1A4 Stationary Combustion, not engines, gaseous fuels	CH_4	Tier 2	CS	No
1A4 Stationary Combustion, waste	CH_4	Tier 1	D	No
1A4 Stationary Combustion, not engines, not residential wood and not residential/agricultural straw, biomass	CH_4	Tier 1/Tier 2	D / D(2) / CS	No
1A4b_i Stationary combustion, Residential wood combustion	CH_4	Tier 2	CS	Yes
1A4b_i/1A4c_i Stationary Combustion, Residential and agricultural straw combustion	CH_4	Tier 1/Tier 2	D/CS	Yes
1A Stationary combustion, Natural gas fuelled engines, gaseous fuels	CH_4	Tier 3	CS	No
1A Stationary combustion, Biogas fuelled engines, biomass	CH_4	Tier 3	CS	No
1A1 Stationary Combustion, solid fuels	N_2O	Tier 2	CS / D(2)	Yes
1A1 Stationary Combustion, liquid fuels	N_2O	Tier 2/Tier 1	D(2) / CS / D	No
1A1 Stationary Combustion, gaseous fuels	N_2O	Tier 3/Tier 2	CS / D(2)	Yes
1A1 Stationary Combustion, waste	N_2O	Tier 2	CS	Yes
1A1 Stationary Combustion, biomass	N_2O	Tier 2/Tier 1	CS / D(2) / D	Yes
1A2 Stationary Combustion, solid fuels	N_2O	Tier 1/Tier 3	D/PS	No
1A2 Stationary Combustion, liquid fuels	N_2O	Tier 2/Tier 1	D(2) / CS / D	Yes
1A2 Stationary Combustion, gaseous fuels	N_2O	Tier 3/Tier 2	CS / D(2)	Yes
1A2 Stationary Combustion, waste	N_2O	Tier 1	D	No
1A2 Stationary Combustion, biomass	N_2O	Tier 1/Tier 2	D / CS	Yes
1A4 Stationary Combustion, solid fuels	N_2O	Tier 1	D	No
1A4 Stationary Combustion, liquid fuels	N_2O	Tier 2/Tier 1	D(2) / CS / D	Yes
1A4 Stationary Combustion, gaseous fuels	N_2O	Tier 3/Tier 2	CS / D(2)	No
1A4 Stationary Combustion, waste	N_2O	Tier 1	D	No
1A4 Stationary Combustion, not residential wood and not residential/agricultural straw, biomass	N_2O	Tier 1/Tier 2	D / CS	No
1A4b_i Stationary Combustion, Residential wood combustion	N_2O	Tier 2	CS	Yes
1A4b_i/1A4c_i Stationary Combustion, Residential and agricultural straw combustion	N_2O	Tier 1	D	No

1. D: IPCC (2006) default, tier 1. D(2): IPCC (2006) default, tier 2. CS: Country specific. PS: Plant specific.
2. KCA approach 1 or approach 2 for Denmark (excluding Greenland and Faroe Islands), including LULUCF, level 1990 or level 2024 or trend 1990-2024.
3. Only 2.0 % of the total coal consumption is included in the non-ETS category in 2024.
4. 34 % of the total residual oil consumption is included in the non-ETS category in 2024
5. Tier 3 for less than 2 % of the gas oil consumption in 2024.
6. Tier 3 for less than 4 % of the LPG consumption in 2024.

Table 3.2.10 Emission data for key sources for which the estimated emissions are based on the tier 1 approach.

Source category	CO_2 emission 1990, kton CO_2 equivalent	CO_2 emission 2024, kton CO_2 equivalent	Key source (KCA approach)
1A Kerosene, CO_2	368	0.1	Level 1990 (KCA 1), Trend (KCA 1)
Key sources for which the estimated emissions are based on the tier 1 approach, total	368	0.1	

Large point sources

Large emission sources such as power plants, industrial plants and refineries are included as large point sources in the Danish emission database. Each point source may consist of more than one part, e.g. a power plant with several units. By registering the plants as point sources in the database, it is possible to use plant-specific emission factors.

In the inventory for the year 2024, 67 stationary combustion plants are specified as large point sources. Plant specific emission data[8] are available from 60 of the plants. The point sources include:

- Power plants and decentralised CHP plants.
- Waste incineration plants.
- Large industrial combustion plants.
- Petroleum refining plants.

The criteria for selection of point sources are:

- All centralized power plants, including smaller units.
- All units with a capacity of above 25 MW_e.
- All district heating plants with an installed effect of 50 MW_{th} or above and significant fuel consumption.
- All waste incineration plants obligated to report environmental data annually according to Danish law (DEPA, 2010b; DEPA, 2015).
- Industrial plants,
  - With an installed effect of 50 MW_{th} or above and significant fuel consumption.
  - With a significant process related emission.

The fuel consumption of stationary combustion plants registered as large point sources in the 2024 inventory was 169 PJ. This corresponds to 53 % of the overall fuel consumption for stationary combustion.

A list of the large point sources for 2024 is provided in Annex 3A-5. The number of large point sources registered in the databases increased from 1990 to 2024. Aggregated fuel consumption rates for the large point sources are also shown in Annex 3A-5.

The emissions from a point source are based either on plant specific emission data or, if plant specific data are not available, on fuel consumption data and the general Danish emission factors.

The plant-specific emission data from the EU ETS data represent 58 % of the total fossil CO_2 emission from stationary combustion. CO_2 emission factors

[8] For CO_2 or other pollutants.

are plant specific for the major power plants, refineries, offshore gas turbines, large municipal waste incineration plants and for cement production. Plant-specific emission data are obtained from CO_2 data reported under the EU Emission Trading Scheme (ETS). The EU ETS data are discussed below.

Emission measurement data for CH_4 and N_2O are applied for estimating emission factors but in general not implemented as plant specific data. However, plant specific emission factors for N_2O have been estimated for two plants.

Annual environmental reports for the plants include a considerable number of emission data sets. In general, emission data from annual environmental reports are based on emission measurements, but some emissions have potentially been calculated from general emission factors.

If plant-specific emission factors are not available, emission factors for area sources are used.

Area sources

Fuels not combusted in large point sources are included as source category specific area sources in the emission database. Plants such as residential boilers, small district heating plants, small CHP plants and some industrial boilers are defined as area sources. Emissions from area sources are based on fuel consumption data and emission factors. Further information on emission factors is provided below in the chapter Emission factors.

Fuels used for non-energy purposes

The Danish national energy statistics includes three fuels used for non-energy purposes: bitumen, white spirit and lubricants. The total consumption for non-energy purposes is relatively low, e.g. 9.4 PJ in 2024. The use of fuels for non-energy purposes is included in the inventory in sector 2D Non-energy products from fuels and solvent use.

The non-energy use of fuels is included in the reference approach for Climate Convention reporting and appropriately corrected in line with the IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006). The reference approach is included in Chapter 3.4.

Activity rates, fuel consumption

The fuel consumption rates are based on the official Danish energy statistics prepared by the Danish Energy Agency (DEA). DCE aggregates fuel consumption rates to SNAP categories. Some fuel types in the official Danish energy statistics are added to obtain a less detailed fuel aggregation level cf. Annex 3A-3. The net calorific values on which the energy statistics are based are also enclosed in Annex 3A-3. The correspondence list between the energy statistics and SNAP categories is enclosed in Annex 3A-1.

The fuel consumption of the CRT category Manufacturing industries and construction (corresponding to SNAP category 03) is disaggregated into industrial subsectors. For 2017 - 2024 the disaggregation is based on data from Statistics Denmark (Statistics Denmark, 2025). For 1990 – 2016 the disaggregation is based on the DEA data set aggregated for the Eurostat reporting (DEA, 2024c). The fuel consumption data flow is shown in Figure 3.2.34.

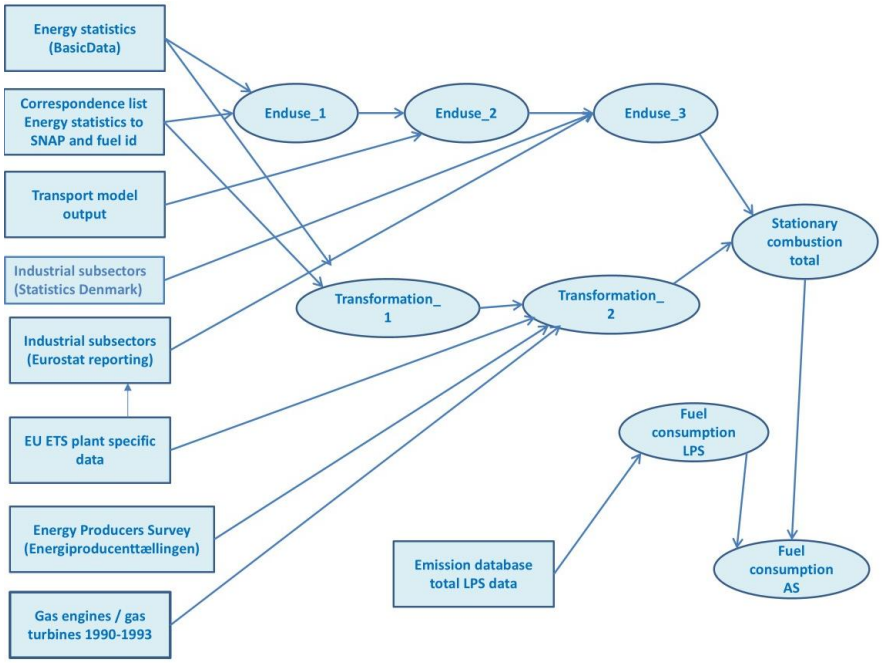


Figure 3.2.34 Fuel consumption data flow.

Both traded and non-traded fuels are included in the Danish energy statistics. Thus, for example, estimation of the annual consumption of non-traded wood is included.

Petroleum coke purchased abroad and combusted in Danish residential plants (border trade of 100-628 TJ in 1992-2018[9]) is not included in the Danish inventory. This is in agreement with the IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006).

The fuel consumption data for large point sources refer to the EU Emission Trading Scheme (EU ETS) data for plants for which the CO_2 emission also refer to EU ETS.

For all other large point sources, the fuel consumption refers to an annually updated DEA database; the Energy Producers Survey (DEA, 2025b). The Energy Producers Survey includes the fuel consumption of each district heating and power-producing plant, based on data reported by plant operators. The consistency between EU ETS reporting and the Energy Producers Survey database (DEA, 2025b) is checked by the DEA and discrepancies are corrected prior to the use in the emission inventory.

The fuel consumption of area sources is calculated as total fuel consumption in the energy statistics minus fuel consumption included in the emission inventory database in large point sources.

In Denmark, all waste incineration is utilised for heat and power production. Thus, incineration of waste is included as stationary combustion in the source category Fuel combustion (subcategories 1A1, 1A2 and 1A4).

Fuel consumption data are presented in Chapter 0.

[9] No border trade of petroleum coke in 2019-2024.

Fuel consumption for 1A1c Oil and gas extraction

The fuel consumption data for natural gas applied in 1A1c Oil and gas extraction reported in the EU ETS are not in agreement with the energy statistics for 1990-2020. This is because data in the energy statistics was earlier based on the default net calorific value (NCV) for natural gas applied in Denmark, whereas the EU ETS data were based on fuel analysis of the natural gas applied offshore at each individual platform. For 2021 onwards, the fuel consumption in the energy statistics is in agreement with the EU ETS data. The fuel consumption data applied in the emission inventory for natural gas refer to the EU ETS data.

The gas oil consumption offshore included in EU ETS data have been implemented in the emission inventory. In the energy statistics this consumption is included in domestic sea transport (DEA, 2021).

Refinery gas consumption for 1A1b Petroleum refining

The EU ETS data for refinery gas consumption reported by the two Danish refineries are not always in agreement with the energy statistics due to the use of default values for net calorific value (NCV) in the energy statistics. The EU ETS data are based on fuel analysis. Refinery gas is only applied in the two refineries. The total consumption of refinery gas applied in the emission inventories is based on the EU ETS data.

Biomethane

Biomethane is biogas upgraded for distribution in the natural gas grid. Biomethane has been included as a separate fuel in the energy statistics and in the emission inventory. In this report the fuel is referred to as biomethane, but others might refer to this fuel as bio natural gas or upgraded biogas.

Gas distributed in the Danish gas distribution system consists of (fossil) natural gas and biomethane. In the emission inventory (CRT), the biomethane part of the energy content has been assumed equal for all appliances in Denmark, except for offshore consumption[10]. This assumption is in agreement with the Danish energy statistics (DEA, 2025a) and with the IPCC Guidelines (2006). According to IPCC Guidelines (2006) the GHG emission inventories should be based on physical data, and thus the trading of certificates is not included in the inventories. In 2024, 37.9 % of the energy content in distributed gas was biomethane (DEA, 2025a).

In the EU ETS data system, trading of biomethane certificates has been included in the fuel consumption data from the reporting for year 2021. This agrees with the EU Guidance document for biomass issues in the EU ETS (EU, 2025), see *Chapter 5.4 Zero-rated gases in natural gas grids* that specifies the system requirements for the purchase of biomethane certificates. In the EU ETS data set for Denmark, all distributed gas is considered (fossil) natural gas if no biomethane certificates have been purchased. The differences regarding biomethane cause some differences when comparing CO_2 emission data in CRT and the sum of EU ETS emission data.

In the emission inventory, plant specific fuel consumption data for (fossil) natural gas and biomethane from EU ETS are implemented in the emission

[10] The consumption offshore is 100 % fossil natural gas.

inventory by adding natural gas and biomethane and afterwards dividing into the two fuels according to the national split for pipeline gas.

The gas consumption offshore and in the Danish gas treatment plant have been assumed to be 100 % fossil natural gas. This is also in accordance with the Danish energy statistics.

Biogas and biomethane distributed in the town gas grid

The energy statistics includes a consumption of biogas and biomethane for town gas production. In 2024, 139 TJ biogas and 147 TJ biomethane was distributed in the town gas grid.

In the energy statistics, biogas and biomethane distributed in the town gas grid is included in the fuel category town gas. In the emission inventory, biogas and biomethane distributed in the town gas grid have been included in the fuel categories biogas and biomethane.

Town gas

Town gas (the fossil part) has been included in the fuel category natural gas. The consumption of town gas in Denmark is very low, e.g. 0.5 PJ in 2024. In 1990, the town gas consumption was 1.6 PJ, and the consumption has been steadily decreasing throughout the time series.

In Denmark, town gas is produced based on natural gas[11]. The use of coal for town gas production ceased in the early 1980s.

An indicative composition of town gas in 2015 according to the largest supplier of town gas in Denmark is shown in Table 3.2.11 (KE, 2015).

Table 3.2.11 Composition of town gas currently used (KE, 2015).

Component	Town gas, % (mol.)
Methane	43.9
Ethane	2.9
Propane	1.1
Butane	0.5
Carbon dioxide	0.4
Nitrogen	40.5
Oxygen	10.7

The net calorific value of the town gas is 20.31 MJ per Nm^3 and the CO_2 emission factor 56.1 kg per GJ. This is very close to the emission factor used for natural gas in 2015 (57.06 kg per GJ). According to the supplier, both the composition and heating value will change during the year. It has not been possible to obtain a yearly average.

In earlier years, the composition of town gas was somewhat different. Table 3.2.12 shows data for town gas composition in 2000-2005. These data are constructed with the input from Københavns Energi (KE) (Copenhagen Energy) and Danish Gas Technology Centre (DGC), (Jeppesen, 2007; Kristensen, 2007). The data refer to three measurements performed several years apart, the first in 2000 and the latest in 2005.

[11] Biomethane and biogas is part of the input fuels for town gas production, but in the emission inventory these fuels are treated as part of the fuel categories biomethane and biogas, see above.

Table 3.2.12 Composition of town gas, data from 2000-2005.

Component	Town gas, % (mol.)
Methane	22.3-27.8
Ethane	1.2-1.8
Propane	0.5-0.9
Butane	0.13-0.2
Higher hydrocarbons	0-0.6
Carbon dioxide	8-11.6
Nitrogen	15.6-20.9
Oxygen	2.3-3.2
Hydrogen	35.4-40.5
Carbon monoxide	2.6-2.8

The net calorific value was between 15.6 and 17.8 MJ per Nm^3. The CO_2 emission factors - derived from the few available measurements - are in the range of 52-57 kg per GJ.

The Danish sectoral approach includes town gas as part of the fuel category natural gas and thus indirectly assumes the same CO_2 emission factor. This is a conservative approach ensuring that the CO_2 emissions are not underestimated.

Due to the scarce data available and the very low consumption of town gas compared to consumption of natural gas (< 0.5 %), the methodology will be applied unchanged in future inventories.

Biogas and biomethane are applied for production of town gas, but in the emission inventory these fuels are included in the fuel categories biogas and biomethane, see Biogas and biomethane distributed in the town gas grid on page 120.

Waste

All waste incineration in Denmark is utilised for heat and/or power production and thus included in the energy sector. The waste incinerated in Denmark for energy production consists of the waste fractions shown in Figure 3.2.35. In 2021, 2 % of the incinerated waste was hazardous waste.

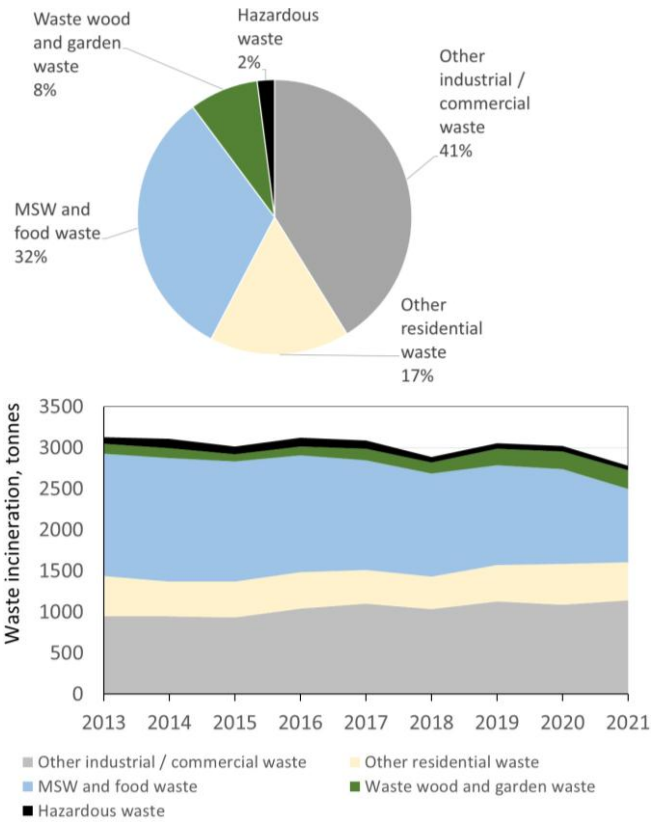


Figure 3.2.35 Waste fractions (weight) for incinerated waste in 2021 and the corresponding time series 2013-2021 (DEPA Waste statistics for 2021, 2023).

Biogas

Biogas includes landfill gas, sludge gas and manure/organic waste gas[12]. In 2024, 83 % of the produced biogas was upgraded to biomethane. An increasing part of the biogas is upgraded to biomethane.

Biogas upgraded for distribution in the natural gas grid reported as biomethane and is not included in the fuel category "biogas" in the rest of this report. This is also the case for bio gasification gas.

[12] Based on manure with addition of other organic waste.

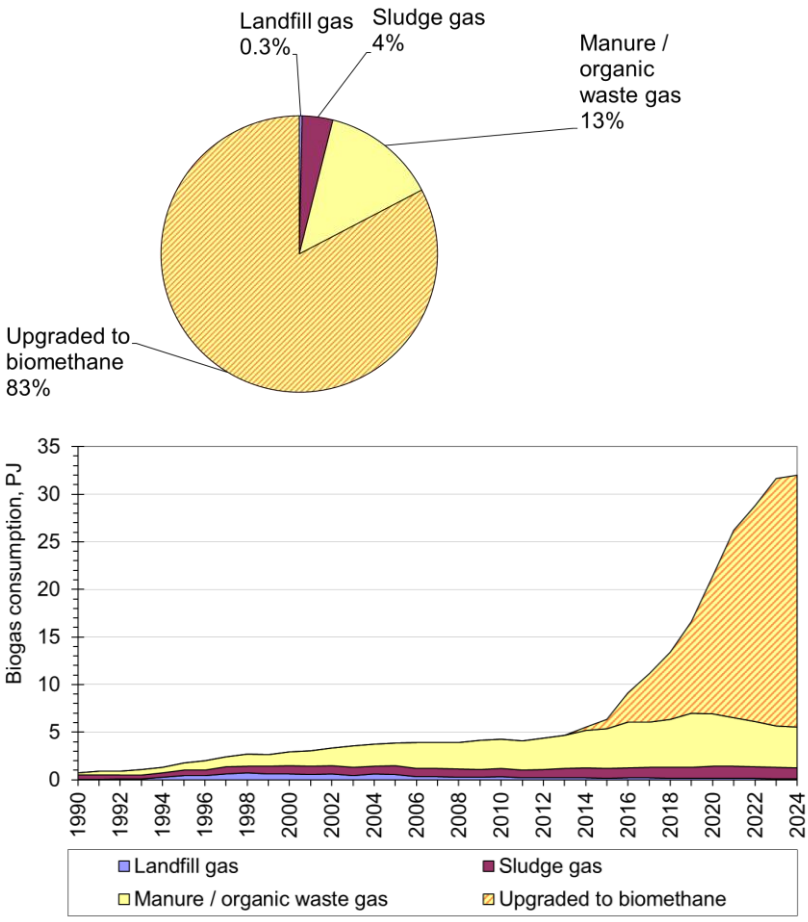


Figure 3.2.36 Biogas types (including biomethane) 2024 and the corresponding time series 1990-2024 (DEA, 2025e; DEA 2025a).

3.2.5 Emission factors

For each fuel and SNAP category (sector and e.g. type of plant), a set of general area source emission factors has been determined. The GHG emission factors are either nationally referenced or based on the IPCC Guidelines (2006). The emission factors for other pollutants are either nationally referenced or based on the EMEP/EEA Guidebook (EEA, 2023).

An overview of the type of CO_2 emission factor is shown in Table 3.2.19. A complete list, of emission factors including time series and references, is provided in Annex 3A-4.

EU ETS data for CO_2

The CO_2 emission factors for some large power plants and for combustion in the cement industry and refineries are plant specific. For these plants the reporting to the EU Emission Trading Scheme (EU ETS) are based on plant specific fuel analysis. In addition, emission factors for offshore gas turbines and refinery gas are based on EU ETS data. The EU ETS data have been applied for the years 2006 - 2024. For 2021-2024, the EU ETS data set include data for CO_2 emission from biomass.

The EU ETS data are also applied for other source categories and are further discussed in Chapter 1.4.10.

The Danish emission inventory for stationary combustion only includes CO_2 emission data from plants using higher tier methods as defined in the EU decision (EU Commission, 2018), where the specific methods for determining carbon contents, oxidation factor and calorific value are specified. The EU decision includes rules for measuring, reporting and verification.

Fuel consumption data from EU ETS are included for some additional plants and fuels, e.g. biomass fuels.

For each of the plants included with plant and fuel specific CO_2 emission factors in the Danish inventory all applied methodologies are specified in individual monitoring plans that are approved by Danish authorities (DEA) prior to the reporting of the emissions. The plant and fuel specific CO_2 emission factors included in the Danish inventory are all based on fuel quality measurements[13], not default values from the Danish UNFCCC reporting. All fuel analyses are performed according to ISO 17025.

DCE performs QC checks on the reported emission data, see Chapter 1.4.10.

EU ETS data presentation

The EU ETS data include plant specific emission factors for the fossil fuels coal, residual oil, gas oil, natural gas, refinery gas, petroleum coke, coke oven coke and fossil waste. The EU ETS data accounted for 58 % of the fossil CO_2 emission from stationary combustion in 2024.

EU ETS data for coal

EU ETS data for 2024 were available from 8 coal fired plant (or units). The plant specific information accounts for 98 % of the Danish coal consumption and 18 % of the total fossil CO_2 emission from stationary combustion plants.

Data from all 8 plants /units have been applied for estimating an average CO_2 emission factor for coal[14]. The average CO_2 emission factor for coal for these 8 units was 95.13 kg per GJ (Table 3.2.13). Time series are shown in Table 3.2.14. The plants all apply bituminous coal.

Table 3.2.13 EU ETS data for 8 coal fired plants/units, 2024.

	Average	Min	Max
Heating value, GJ per tonne	23.5	17.07	27.12
CO_2 implied emission factor, kg per GJ[1)]	95.13	92.52	96.82
Oxidation factor	0.998	0.992	1.000

[1)] Including oxidation factor.

[13] Applying specific methods defined in the EU decision.
[14] This year all units have been included in the emission factor estimate.

Table 3.2.14 CO_2 implied emission factor time series for coal fired plants based on EU ETS data.

Year	CO_2 implied emission factor, kg per GJ[1)]
2006	94.4
2007	94.3
2008	94.0
2009	93.6
2010	93.6
2011	94.7
2012	94.25
2013	93.95
2014	94.17
2015	94.46
2016	94.95
2017	94.37
2018	94.04
2019	94.13
2020	94.20
2021	93.94
2022	94.51
2023	95.11
2024	95.13

[1)] Including oxidation factor.

EU ETS data for residual oil

EU ETS data for 2024 based on higher tier methodologies were available from 6 plants (or units) combusting residual oil. The EU ETS data accounts for 66 % of the residual oil consumption in stationary combustion.

Data from 5 of the 6 plants have been applied for estimating an average CO_2 emission factor for residual oil[15]. Aggregated data and time series are shown in Table 3.2.15 and Table 3.2.16.

Table 3.2.15 EU ETS data for 5 plants combusting residual oil.

	Average	Min	Max
Heating value, GJ per tonne	40.72	40.6	42.5
CO_2 implied emission factor, kg per GJ	78.62	76.11	79.09
Oxidation factor	1.000	1.000	1.000

[15] Fuel consumption of the 5 plants adds up to 59 % of the fuel consumption of the six plants. The excluded plant is not considered representative for the residual oil consumption in Denmark.

Table 3.2.16 CO_2 implied emission factor time series for residual oil-fired power plant units based on EU ETS data.

Year	CO_2 implied emission factor, kg per GJ[1)]
2006	78.2
2007	78.1
2008	78.5
2009	78.9
2010	79.2
2011	79.25
2012	79.21
2013	79.28
2014	79.49
2015	79.17
2016	79.29
2017	79.19
2018	79.42
2019	79.32
2020	79.03
2021	79.15
2022	78.94
2023	78.95
2024	78.62

[1)] Including oxidation factor.

EU ETS data for gas oil

EU ETS data for 2024 based on higher tier methodologies were included from only two plants combusting gas oil (onshore). Emission factor average values are shown in Table 3.2.17. The 2019-2024 emission factors are not included because data are only available from one or two plants.

Table 3.2.17 CO_2 implied emission factor time series for gas oil based on EU ETS data.

Year	CO_2 implied emission factor, kg per GJ[1)]
2006	75.1
2007	74.9
2008	73.7
2009	75.1
2010	74.8
2011	74.7
2012	73.9
2013	72.7
2014	74.2
2015	73.8
2016	74.4
2017	74.7
2018	74.2
2019	-
2020	-
2021	-
2022	-
2023	-
2024	-

[1)] Including oxidation factor. The 2019-2024 value are not shown because data were only available from one or two plants each year.

EU ETS data for waste

EU ETS data for 2024 based on higher tier methodologies were included from 21 waste incineration plants[16] (or units). The EU ETS data for waste incineration are based on emission measurements. The EU ETS data for 2021-2024 included CO_2 emission data for the biomass part of the waste. The average emission factor values are shown in Table 3.2.18 below.

[16] Co-incineration plants in the EU ETS Directive (Guidance on Interpretation of Annex I of the EU ETS Directive).

The waste incineration plants are not obliged to report a plant specific net calorific value. Thus, for a large number of waste incineration units, the net calorific value implemented in the EU ETS data (EU ETS, 2025) from the Danish Energy Agency (but not in the EU ETS reporting for the individual incineration plants) are the default calorific value from the Danish energy statistics (DEA, 2025a). However, the net calorific value for waste have been revised by the Danish Energy Agency in 2025. This revision was after the reporting of EU ETS data, and thus the revised default net calorific value was not implemented in EU ETS data. The revised net calorific value has been implemented by DCE afterwards to be able to estimate revised CO_2 emission factors for waste. Thus, the values shown below are not based on the original data. The plants specific net calorific values that have been reported by some of the plants are applied unchanged. The CO_2 emission data based on flue gas measurements are still correct and are applied unchanged. In the EU ETS data reported next year, the revised net calorific value will be implemented.

The emission factors 2024 for total CO_2, fossil CO_2 and biogenic CO_2 emission are based on 15 units[17]. The average emission factors are shown in Table 3.2.18. The average fossil CO_2 emission factor is 46.1 kg per GJ, the average biogenic CO_2 emission factor is 49.2 kg per GJ, and the average total CO_2 emission factor is 95.4 kg per GJ.

Table 3.2.18 EU ETS data for waste incineration 2024, 15 units with data for fossil and biogenic CO_2.

	Average	Min	Max
Heating value, GJ per tonne	11.31	10.05	11.70
Oxidation factor	1.000	1.000	1.000
Fossil CO_2 implied emission factor, kg fossil CO_2 per GJ total waste	46.1	35.0	59.8
Biogenic CO_2 implied emission factor, kg biogenic CO_2 per GJ total waste	49.2	19.6	73.1
Total CO_2 implied emission factor, kg CO_2 per GJ waste	95.4	58.1	120.6

The EU ETS data includes a fuel category for mixed fossil and biomass. This fuel category is included in the fuel categories waste or industrial waste in the emission inventory. Data are not presented here, because the data are confidential.

The plant specific EU ETS data accounts for 83 % of the energy content of incinerated waste (including industrial waste and including incineration plants that have not been included in the estimate of the average emission factors).

EU ETS data for petroleum coke, coke oven coke and industrial waste

The implemented EU ETS data set also includes CO_2 emission factors for industrial waste, petroleum coke and coke oven coke. The industrial plants with additional EU ETS data include cement industry, sugar production, glass wool production, lime production, and vegetable oil production.

[17] For six units the CO_2-emission from biomass was not included or the waste applied was not considered representative.

EU ETS data for natural gas applied in offshore gas turbines

EU ETS data have been applied to estimate an average CO_2 emission factor for natural gas combusted in offshore gas turbines, see page 133.

EU ETS data for refinery gas

EU ETS data are also applied for the two refineries in Denmark. The emission factor for refinery gas is based on EU ETS data, see page 133.

CO_2 emission factors

The CO_2 emission factors that are not included in EU ETS data or that are included but based on lower tier methodologies are not plant specific in the Danish inventory. The emission factors that are not plant specific accounts for 42 % of the fossil CO_2 emission.

The CO_2 emission factors applied for 2024 are presented in Table 3.2.19. Time series have been estimated for:

- Coal
- Residual oil
- Refinery gas
- Natural gas applied in offshore gas turbines
- Natural gas, other
- Waste, total, fossil part and biogenic part
- Wood

For all other fuels, the same emission factor has been applied for 1990-2024.

In the reporting to the UNFCCC, the CO_2 emission is aggregated to six fuel types: solid fuels, liquid fuels, gaseous fuels, other fossil fuels, peat, and biomass. Peat is not combusted in Denmark. The correspondence list between the DCE fuel categories and the IPCC fuel categories is also provided in Table 3.2.19.

Only emissions from fossil fuels are included in the total national CO_2 emission. The biomass emission factors are also included in the table, because emissions from biomass are reported to the UNFCCC as a memo item.

The CO_2 emission from incineration of waste is divided into two parts: The emission from combustion of the fossil content of the waste, which is included in the national total, and the emission from combustion of the biomass part, which is reported as a memo item. In the CRT, the fuel consumption and emissions from the fossil content of the waste is reported in the fuel category Other fossil fuels whereas the biomass part is reported in fuel category Biomass.

Table 3.2.19 CO_2 emission factors, 2024.

Fuel	Emission factor, kg per GJ		Reference type	IPCC fuel category
	Biomass	Fossil fuel		
Coal	-	95.13 [1)]	Country specific	Solid
Brown coal briquettes	-	97.5	IPCC (2006)	Solid
Coke oven coke	-	107 [3)]	IPCC (2006)	Solid
Other solid fossil fuels [6)]	-	118 [1)]	Country specific	Solid
Fly ash fossil (from coal)	-	95.13	Country specific	Solid
Petroleum coke	-	93 [3)]	Country-specific	Liquid
Residual oil	-	78.62 [1)]	Country-specific	Liquid
Gas oil	-	74.1 [1)]	Country-specific	Liquid
Kerosene	-	71.9	IPCC (2006)	Liquid
Orimulsion	-	80 [2)]	Country-specific	Liquid
LPG	-	64.8	Country-specific	Liquid
Refinery gas	-	56.894	Country-specific	Liquid
Natural gas, offshore gas turbines	-	57.460	Country-specific	Gas
Natural gas, other [7)]	-	57.10	Country-specific	Gas
Waste	47.4 [3)4)]	+ 46.1[1)3)4)]	Country-specific	Biomass and Other fuels
Industrial waste	47.4 [3)4)]	+ 46.1[1)3)4)]	Country-specific	Biomass and Other fuels
Straw	100	-	Country-specific	Biomass
Wood (national average 2024 for fire-wood, wood chips and wood waste)	103.348	-	Country-specific	Biomass
Wood pellets	97.4	-	Country-specific	Biomass
Bio oil	70.8	-	IPCC (2006)	Biomass
Biogas	81.9	-	Country-specific	Biomass
Biomass gasification gas	142.9[5)]	-	Country-specific	Biomass
Biomethane [7)]	54.9	-	Country-specific	Biomass

1) Plant specific data from EU ETS incorporated for individual plants.
2) Not applied in 2024. Orimulsion was applied in Denmark in 1995 – 2004.
3) Plant specific data from EU ETS incorporated for cement production, sugar, lime and mineral wool production.
4) The emission factor for waste is (46.1+47.4) kg CO_2 per GJ waste. The fuel consumption and the CO_2 emission have been disaggregated to the two IPCC fuel categories Biomass and Other fossil fuels in CRT. The corresponding fossil CO_2 emission factor for Other fuels is 79.5 kg CO_2 per GJ fossil waste and 112.8 kg biomass CO_2 per GJ biomass waste.
5) Includes a high content of CO_2 in the gas.
6) Anodic carbon. Not applied in Denmark in 2014-2024.
7) Gas distributed in the gas grid consist of a mixture of two fuels: Biomethane and (fossil) natural gas. The two fuels are treated as separate fuels in the emission inventories, see also Chapter 3.2.5.

Coal

As mentioned above, EU ETS data have been utilised for the years 2006 - 2024 in the emission inventory. The emission factor for coal is the implied emission factor for plants that report EU ETS data that are based on fuel analysis. Data for industrial plants have been included. In 2024, the implied emission factor (including oxidation factor) was 95.13 kg per GJ. The implied emission factor values were between 92.52 and 96.82 kg per GJ.

The emission factors for coal in the years 2006-2024 refer to the implied emission factors of the EU ETS data estimated for each year. For the years 1990-2005, the emission factor for coal (94 kg/GJ) refers to the average IEF for 2006-2010.

In 2024, the CO_2 emission from coal consumption was based on the emission factor (95.13 kg per GJ) for 2.0 % of the coal consumption. The remaining 98.0 % was covered by EU ETS data.

Time series for the CO_2 emission factor are shown in Table 3.2.20.

Table 3.2.20 CO_2 emission factor time series for coal.

Year	CO_2 emission factor kg per GJ
1990-2005	94.0
2006	94.4
2007	94.3
2008	94.0
2009	93.6
2010	93.6
2011	93.73
2012	94.25
2013	93.95
2014	94.17
2015	94.46
2016	94.95
2017	94.37
2018	94.04
2019	94.13
2020	94.20
2021	93.94
2022	94.51
2023	95.11
2024	95.13

Brown coal briquettes

The emission factor for brown coal briquettes, 97.5 kg per GJ refers to the IPCC Guidelines, 2006 (IPCC, 2006). The oxidation factor has been assumed equal to 1. The same emission factor has been applied for 1990-2024.

Coke oven coke

The emission factor for coke oven coke, 107 kg per GJ, refers to the IPCC Guidelines 2006 (IPCC, 2006). The oxidation factor has been assumed equal to 1. The same emission factor has been applied for 1990-2024.

Other solid fossil fuels (Anodic carbon)

Anodic carbon was not applied in 2024. Anodic carbon has been applied in Denmark in 2009-2013 in two mineral wool production units. The emission factor 118 kg per GJ refer to EU ETS data from one of the plants in 2012.

The emission factor is not applied because plant specific data are available from the EU ETS dataset.

Fly ash fossil (from coal)

Fly ash from coal combustion is applied in some power plants. The CO_2 emission data from EU ETS have been applied for each plant. The default emission factor (95.13 for 2024) has been assumed equal to the emission factor for coal.

Petroleum coke

The emission factor 93 kg per GJ is based on EU ETS data for 2006-2010. The data includes one power plant and the cement production plant.

Plant specific EU ETS data have been utilised for the cement production for the years 2006 - 2024.

Residual oil

The emission factor for residual oil is based on EU ETS data.

EU ETS data have been utilised for the 2006 - 2024 emission inventories. In 2024, the implied emission factor (including oxidation factor) for the plants combusting residual oil was 78.62 kg per GJ. The implied emission factor values were between 76.11 and 79.09 kg per GJ.

The emission factors for residual oil in the years 2006-2024 refer to the implied emission factors of the EU ETS data estimated for each year. For the years 1990-2005, the emission factor for residual oil refers to the average IEF for 2006-2010.

In 2024, the CO_2-emission estimate was based on the emission factor for 34 % of the residual oil consumption, whereas plant specific EU ETS data were available for 66 % of the residual oil consumption.

Time series for the CO_2 emission factor are shown in Table 3.2.21.

Table 3.2.21 CO_2 emission factor time series for residual oil.

Year	CO_2 emission factor kg per GJ
1990-2005	78.7
2006	78.6
2007	78.5
2008	78.5
2009	78.9
2010	79.2
2011	79.25
2012	79.21
2013	79.28
2014	79.49
2015	79.17
2016	79.29
2017	79.19
2018	79.42
2019	79.32
2020	79.03
2021	79.15
2022	78.94
2023	78.95
2024	78.62

Gas oil

The emission factor for gas oil, 74.1 kg per GJ, is based on EU ETS data for the years 2008-2016. The emission factor is consistent with the IPCC default emission factor for gas oil (74.1 kg per GJ). The same emission factor has been applied for 1990-2024.

Plant specific EU ETS data have been utilised for a few plants each year in the 2006 - 2024 emission inventories. In 2024, EU ETS data were only available from two plants representing less than 2 % of the consumption of gas oil.

Kerosene

The emission factor for kerosene, 71.9 kg per GJ, refers to IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006). The same emission factor has been applied for 1990-2024.

Orimulsion

The emission factor for orimulsion, 80 kg per GJ, refers to the Danish Energy Agency (DEA, 2025a). The IPCC default emission factor is almost the same: 80.7 kg per GJ assuming full oxidation. The CO_2 emission factor has been

confirmed by the only major power plant operator using orimulsion (Andersen, 1996). The same emission factor has been applied for all years. Orimulsion was used in Denmark in 1995-2004.

LPG

Emission factor 2019 onwards

According to Danish legislation, the butane content of LPG is below 7.5 % and the content of higher hydrocarbons (C5+) below 0.2 % (Danish Safety Technology Authority, 2018; Danish Safety Authority, 2012). Thus, since 2012 the minimum content of propane is 92.3 %.

According to Drivkraft Danmark, the LPG delivered to Denmark has a propane content of minimum 93 % in recent years (Rosvall, 2021). Bio LPG sold in Denmark is based on certificates from other countries (Rosvall, 2021) and thus all LPG applied in Denmark is considered fossil.

The CO_2 emission factor 64.8 kg/GJ (based on Rosvall, 2021) will be applied for 2019 onwards. This emission factor is based on the gas composition from Drivkraft Danmark, 93 % propane and 7 % butane (Rosvall, 2021). The 93 % propane on which the estimate is based is a minimum, but the emission factor for 100 % propane is 64.6 kg/GJ and thus the emission factor is in the interval 64.6-64.8 kg/GJ.

Different mixtures of propane and butane have been considered and the estimated CO_2 emission factors and net calorific values for each of them are shown in Table 3.2.22. For all the considered compositions, the CO_2 emission factors are higher than the emission factor from IPCC Guidelines (2006). The emission factor in IPCC Guidelines (2006), 63.1 kg/GJ, is lower than the emission factors for both propane and butane (see Table 3.2.22 and Juhrich, 2016). The butane content has been considered 1/3 i-Butane and 2/3 n-Butane referring to Kjellander (2021).

In Germany, Sweden, Norway and the Netherlands the applied emission factor for 2019 were 66.33 kg/GJ (NIR Germany, 2021)[18], 65.1 kg/GJ (NIR Sweden, 2021), 65.08 kg/GJ (NIR Norway, 2021), and 66.7 kg/GJ (NIR Netherlands, 2021) respectively.

Time series

In 1990-2005, mixed gases with higher butane content was also sold in Denmark (Rosvall, 2021; Kjellander, 2021; Tønder, 2021). The applied mixed gases were primarily applied for vehicles (Kjellander, 2021; Tønder, 2021) and the mixture proportions were 30%/70% in the summer and 50%/50% in the winter (Rosvall, 2021). The use of mixed gases is included in the fuel category LPG in the energy statistics. However, the use of mixed gases was low. The average LPG composition including mixed gases have been estimated to be 90 % propane and 10 % butane in 1990 (Rosvell, 2021; Kjellander, 2021). In 2005-2017, the minimum propane content was 95 % (Tønder, 2021).

The estimated CO_2 emission factors for different butane shares of LPG is shown in Table 3.2.22. The emission factors for both the 1990 and the 2019 composition is 64.8 kg/GJ. The CO_2 emission factor for 2005-2017 is 64.7

[18] 64.0-66.6 kg/GJ (Juhrich, 2016).

kg/GJ. Due to the marginal difference and the uncertainty, DCE has decided to use the CO_2 emission factor 64.8 kg/GJ for all years.

Table 3.2.22 Estimated NCV and CO_2 emission factors for different LPG compositions.

	Propane	Butane[19]	NCV, MJ/kg	CO_2 emission factor, kg/GJ
LPG according to legislation for LPG gas quality[20] (Danish Safety Technology Authority, 2018)	92.5 %	<7.5 %	46.3	64.8
LPG according to Drivkraft Danmark (Rosvall, 2021)	93 %	7 %	46.3	64.8
LPG according to specification 2005-2017 (Tønder, 2021)	95 %	5 %	46.3	64.7
LPG applied in 1990, (Rosvall, 2021; Kjellander, 2021)	90 %	10 %	46.2	64.8
100 % propane	100 %	0%	46.3	64.6
100 % butane (1/3 i-Butane)	0 %	100 %	45.7	66.3
100 % i-Butane	0 %	100 %	45.6	66.5
100 % n-Butane	0 %	100 %	45.7	66.2

Refinery gas

The emission factor applied for refinery gas refers to EU ETS data for the two refineries in operation in Denmark. Since 2006, implied emission factors for Denmark have been estimated annually based on the EU ETS data. The average implied emission factor for 2006-2009 (57.6 kg per GJ) have been applied for the years 1990-2005. This emission factor is consistent with the emission factor of 57.6 kg per GJ stated in the IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006). The time series is shown in Table 3.2.23.

Table 3.2.23 CO_2 emission factors for refinery gas, time series.

Year	CO_2 emission factor, kg per GJ
1990-2005	57.6
2006	57.812
2007	57.848
2008	57.948
2009	56.817
2010	57.134
2011	57.861
2012	58.108
2013	58.274
2014	57.620
2015	57.508
2016	57.335
2017	57.109
2018	56.144
2019	56.452
2020	56.813
2021	56.486
2022	56.554
2023	56.280
2024	56.894

Natural gas, offshore gas turbines

EU ETS data for the fuel consumption and CO_2 emission for offshore gas turbines are available for the years 2006-2024. Based on data for each oilfield, implied emission factors have been estimated for 2006-2024. The average value for 2006-2009 has been applied for the years 1990-2005. The time series is shown in Table 3.2.24.

[19] Assumed 2/3 n-Butane and 1/3 i-butane (Kjellander, 2021).
[20] <0.2 % higher hydrocarbons (C5+) have not been taken into account.

Table 3.2.24 CO_2 emission factors for offshore gas turbines, time series.

Year	CO_2 emission factor, kg per GJ
1990-2005	57.469
2006	57.879
2007	57.784
2008	56.959
2009	57.254
2010	57.314
2011	57.379
2012	57.423
2013	57.295
2014	57.381
2015	57.615
2016	57.704
2017	57.628
2018	57.639
2019	57.588
2020	57.456
2021	57.356
2022	57.443
2023	57.522
2024	57.460

Natural gas, other source categories

The fuel category Natural gas refers to fossil natural gas. In recent years, biomethane[21] has also been distributed in the gas grid in Denmark. Natural gas (fossil) and biomethane is considered two separate fuels in the emission inventory.

The emission factor for natural gas is estimated by the Danish gas transmission company, Energinet[22]. The calculation is based on gas analysis carried out daily by Energinet at Egtved. In the end of 2022, the Baltic Pipe was in full operation. The Baltic Pipe connects the Norwegian gas fields with the gas grid in Denmark, and Poland. Figure 3.2.37 shows the Danish gas transmission grid. In 2024, the total Danish natural gas production was 61 PJ, the import was 301 PJ, and the export 312 PJ.

[21] Biomethane.

[22] Former Gastra and before that part of DONG. Historical data refer to these companies.

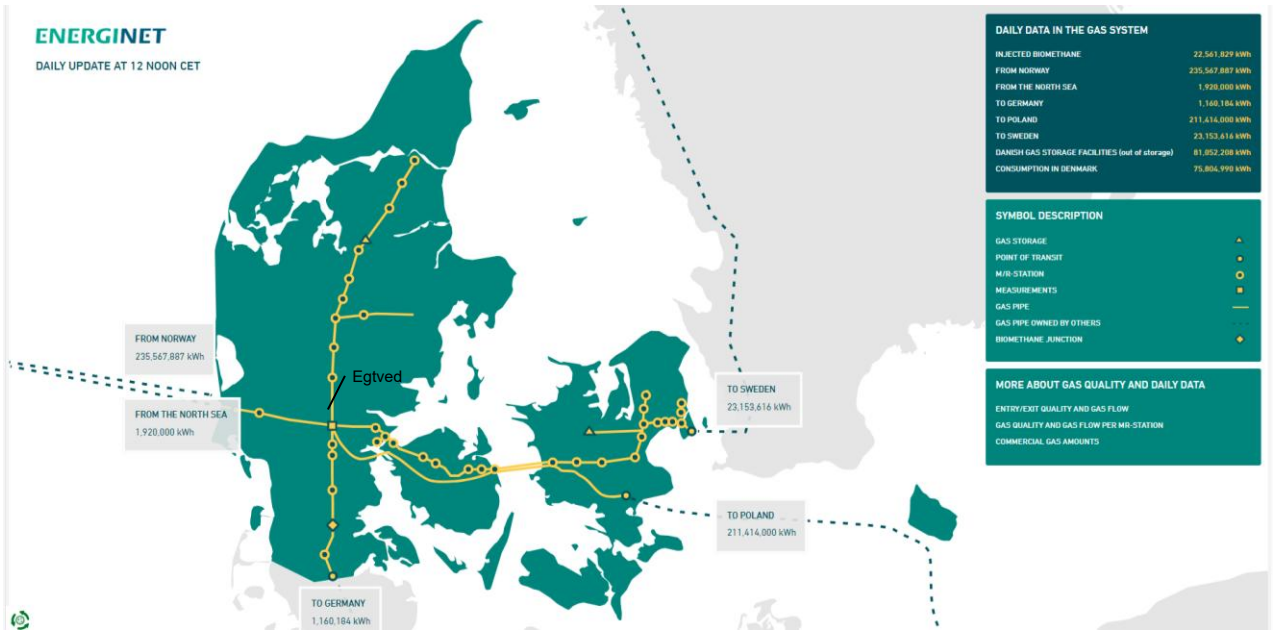


Figure 3.2.37 The Danish gas transmission grid (a random date). Energinet.dk (2024).

The offshore gas platform Tyra in the North Sea has for decades been the major gas supplier for Denmark. The platform was shut down for redevelopment from September 2019 to winter 2023/2024 (Energinet, 2023). Thus in 2023, the import of natural gas was high, and the production low compared to the years before 2019. This caused a change of gas quality and CO_2 emission factor in 2020 - 2023.

Before 2010, only natural gas from the Danish gas fields was utilised in Denmark. Energinet have stated that the difference between the emission factor for 2011 based on measurements at Egtved and the average value at Froeslev very close to the German border differed less than 0.3 % for 2011 (Bruun, 2012b).

Energinet and the Danish Gas Technology Centre have calculated emission factors for 2000-2024. The emission factor applied for 1990-1999 refers to Fenhann & Kilde (1994). This emission factor was confirmed by the two major power plant operators in 1996 (Christiansen, 1996 and Andersen, 1996). The time series for the CO_2 emission factor is provided in Table 3.2.25.

Table 3.2.25 CO_2 emission factor time series for natural gas.

Year	CO_2 emission factor, kg per GJ
1990-1999	56.9
2000	57.1
2001	57.25
2002	57.28
2003	57.19
2004	57.12
2005	56.96
2006	56.78
2007	56.78
2008	56.77
2009	56.69
2010	56.74
2011	56.97
2012	57.03
2013	56.79
2014	56.95
2015	57.06
2016	57.01
2017	57.00
2018	56.89
2019	56.54
2020	55.52[1)]
2021	55.47[1)]
2022	56.38[1) 2)]
2023	57.14[1) 2)]
2024	57.10[1) 2)]

[1)] The low CO_2 emission factor in 2020 -2022 is caused by shut down of the offshore gas platform Tyra in the North Sea. The platform was shut down for redevelopment from September 2019 to the winter 2023/2024 (Energinet, 2023). The gas quality of import gas differs from the gas quality from Tyra.

[2)] The Baltic Pipe (gas from Europipe II) was in operation from 2022.

Waste – fossil CO_2 and biomass CO_2

The CO_2 emission from incineration of waste is divided into two parts: The emission from combustion of the fossil content of the waste, which is included in the national total, and the emission from combustion of the biomass part of the waste, which is reported as a memo item.

EU ETS data included only data for fossil CO_2 for the years 2013-2020. For 2021-2024, EU ETS data included data for both fossil CO_2 and biomass CO_2.

The increasing waste separation and recycling has influenced the composition of incinerated waste.

The Danish Energy Agency has updated the net calorific value for incinerated waste. The update is based on plant specific NCV collected by DEA for the years 2021, 2022 and 2023 (DEA, 2025f). The update includes a revised fossil and biogenic energy fractions (DEA, 2025f). The plants that reported plant specific NCV to DEA represent 80 % of the incinerated waste (DEA, 2025f). The revised values are shown in Table 3.2.26.

Table 3.2.26 Net calorific value and fossil energy fraction for incinerated waste (ENS, 2025f).

Year	Net calorific value, GJ/ton	Fossil energy fraction
1990-2017	10.60	0.450
2018	10.82	0.476
2019	11.04	0.502
2020	11.26	0.528
2021	11.48	0.554
2022	11.70	0.580
2023	11.70	0.580
2024	11.70	0.580

Fossil waste CO_2

The time series for the fossil CO_2 emission factor is shown in Table 3.2.27.

Table 3.2.27 Time series for the fossil CO_2 emission factor for waste.

Year	CO_2 emission factor, kg per GJ
1990-2010	37.0
2011	37.5
2012	40.0
2013-2021	42.5
2022	43.8
2023	45.1
2024	46.1

For 2024, the fossil CO_2 emission factor is 46.1 kg fossil CO_2 per GJ total waste. The emission factor is based on EU ETS data for 2024[23] and the updated net calorific value from the Danish Energy Agency (DEA, 2025f). The emission factor for the fossil fraction corresponds to 79.5 kg fossil CO_2 per GJ fossil waste.

In the emission inventory for 2024, plant specific emission factors have been implemented for 21 plants or units using municipal waste. In 2024, the average fossil CO_2 emission factor for 15 plants[24] was 46.1 kg fossil CO_2 per GJ total waste. See details in Table 3.2.18.

The CO_2 emission data included from EU ETS are based on flue gas emission measurements. The content of biogenic and fossil carbon is based on measurements. Two different methods are applied: a radiocarbon dating (14C analysis) of CO_2 sampled from the flue gas, and an approved mass and energy balance calculation.

The plant specific EU ETS data accounts for 83 % of the energy content of incinerated waste (including industrial waste and including incineration plants that have not been included in the estimate of the average emission factors).

[23] The emission factor has been revised this year. The estimated implied emission factor is based on flue gas emission data from EU ETS (2025), plant-specific net calorific values for some of the incineration plants, and the updated net calorific value from the Danish Energy Agency for plants that did not report a plant specific value.
[24] For 6 units the CO_2-emission from biomass was not included or the waste applied was not considered representative.

For 2023, the fossil CO_2 emission factor is 45.1 kg fossil CO_2 per GJ total waste. This emission factor is based on EU ETS data for 2023 and the updated net calorific value from the Danish Energy Agency (DEA, 2025f).

Similar estimates based on EU ETS for 2021 and 2022 and the revised net calorific value for waste were performed. However, the data indicated that increase of the fossil CO_2 emission factor took place after 2021.

The emission factor applied for 2022 is an average of the emission factor for 2021 and 2023.

The emission factor applied for 2013-2021 is the average value for 2013-2016, 42.5 kg fossil CO_2 per GJ total waste. The implied emission factor for plants included in EU ETS have been estimated each year. The implied emission factor fluctuates, but the average level is close to the average for the years 2013-2016, and thus the same default emission factor has been applied for 2013-2021.

A linear increase from 2010 to 2013 has been assumed. The emission factors for 2011 and 2012 are based on this assumption.

The emission factor for 1990-2010 is based on the project, *Biogenic carbon in Danish combustible waste* that included emission measurements from five Danish waste incineration plants (Astrup et al., 2012). The average of the fossil emission factors for waste was estimated to be 37 kg per GJ waste and the interval for the five plants was 25 – 51 kg per GJ. The five plants represented 44 % of the incinerated waste in 2010. The emission factor 37 kg per GJ waste corresponds to 82.22 kg per GJ fossil waste.

Data from the waste statistics have been analysed with the purpose to improve the time series for 1990-2012 of the fossil waste emission factor. However, the data analysis has shown that it is difficult to relate the available waste fraction data and the measured fossil CO_2 emission. Thus, currently it is not possible to estimate an improved time series for the emission factor for the years 1990-2012.

Biomass waste CO_2

The time series for the biogenic CO_2 emission factor for waste is shown in Table 3.2.28.

Table 3.2.28 Time series for the biogenic CO_2 emission factor for waste.

Year	CO_2 emission factor, kg per GJ
1990-2021	59.2
2022	53.3
2023	47.4
2024	47.4

For 2023-2024, the CO_2 emission factor for the biomass part of waste is based on EU ETS data for 2023 and 2024. The CO_2 emission factor is 47.4 kg biogenic CO_2 per GJ total waste. This emission factor is based on EU ETS data for 2023 and 2024, and the updated net calorific value from the Danish Energy Agency (DEA, 2025f).

The emission factor is based on EU ETS data sets for 2023 and 2024 including both biogenic, fossil and total CO_2 emission.

For 2022, the CO_2 emission factor for the biomass part of waste is the average value of the emission factors for 2021 and 2023.

For 1990-2021, the CO_2 emission factor for the biomass part of waste is based on plant specific emission data reported to the EU ETS for 2021. The estimated emission factor is 59.2 kg biogenic CO_2 per GJ total waste.

For the years before 2021, the total CO_2 emission and the biomass CO_2 emission was not reported in the EU ETS data. The CO_2 emission factor for the biomass part of waste applied for 1990-2020 has been assumed equal to the CO_2 emission factor for 2021.

Industrial waste – fossil CO_2 and biomass CO_2

The fuel category industrial waste is only applied for one plant: the cement production plant Aalborg Portland. The waste applied in this plant differ considerably from waste applied in waste incineration plants.

Plant specific data are considered confidential, and thus the *default* CO_2 emission factors for both Other fuels (fossil) (46.1 kg fossil CO_2 per GJ total waste) and biomass (47.4 kg biogenic CO_2 per GJ total waste) are equal to the CO_2 emission factors for waste. However, only the plant specific emission factors are actually applied.

Plant specific data for fossil CO_2 emission are available from EU ETS since 2006, and thus the emission inventories are based on these data.

The CO_2 emission data for the biomass part of waste is based on plant specific emission data reported to the EU ETS for 2022-2024. Data are confidential, but plant specific data have been implemented in the emission inventory.

The waste applied by Aalborg Portland includes several industrial waste products but no municipal waste. The fossil content of each of the applied waste fuels is defined in the EU ETS data.

Wood

The fuel category wood includes three fuel categories from the Danish energy statistics:

- Firewood
- Wood chips
- Wood waste

Wood pellets is included as a separate fuel in the emission inventory and thus not included in the fuel category Wood.

The carbon content of dry wood is considered the same for all three wood types, but the water content and thus the NCV is different for the three wood types.

NCV

The net calorific value (NCV) of firewood applied in the Danish energy statistics is 10.40 GJ/m^3 for hardwood[25] and 7.60 GJ/m^3 for conifer[25]. These values are based on 15 % water content and refers to a note from the Danish

[25] m^3 of solid wood volume.

Energy Agency that was updated by EA Energy Analysis in 2018 (EA & DEA, 2018b). The NCVs are 18.7 GJ/ton dry matter for hardwood and 19.4 GJ/ton dry matter for conifer (EA & DEA, 2018b). The estimated NCVs in GJ/ton with a water content of 15 % are:

Deciduous: 18.7 GJ/ton • 0.85 – 2.45 GJ/ton • 0.15 = 15.5 GJ/ton
Conifers: 19.4 GJ/ton • 0.85 – 2.45 GJ/ton • 0.15 = 16.1 GJ/ton

The net calorific value (NCV) of wood chips is based on plant specific data from EU ETS available for a larger number of plants. The plant specific NCVs reported to EU ETS for 2014-2021 have been collected. The average NCV for plants with plant specific data is 10.42 GJ/ton for 2014-2021. The plants with plant specific NCVs represent 44 – 59 % of the annual total wood chip consumption in Denmark. The NCV for dry wood 19 GJ/ton and the NCV for wet wood 10.42 GJ/ton corresponds to a water content of 40 %. This Danish energy statistics applies the same NCV for 2022 onwards (DEA, 2023).

19.0 GJ/ton • 0.60 – 2.45 GJ/ton • 0.40 = 10.4 GJ/ton

The net calorific value (NCV) of wood waste applied in the Danish energy statistics is 14.7 GJ/ton. This value is based on 20 % water content and refers to a note from the Danish Energy Agency that was updated by EA Energy Analysis in 2018 (EA & DEA, 2018d).

According to EA & DEA (2018d), the dry matter net calorific value is 19.0 GJ/ton and with a 20 % water content the NCV 14.7 GJ/ton is estimated.

19.0 GJ/ton • 0.80 – 2.45 GJ/ton • 0.20 = 14.7 GJ/ton

A large part of the consumption of wood waste is included in EU ETS, but in general for waste wood the default NCV has been applied rather than plant specific data.

CO_2 emission factor

The carbon content of wood is available from several studies, see Table 3.2.29. The carbon content 50 %-weight (dry matter) is applied for all three wood types. The NCV (dry) 19.0 GJ/ton is applied for all three wood types (EA & DEA, 2018b; EA & DEA, 2018c; EA & DEA, 2018d).

Table 3.2.29 Carbon content in wood.

Reference	Wood type	Carbon content, %-w dry basis
Bech & Dahlin (1989)	Wood	(37.5 wet) 50.0
Frey (2019)	Wood	50
Bäfver et al. (2011)	Wood logs	50.6
Gustavsson et al. (2004)	Wood logs	50.6
Johansson et al. (2004)	Wood logs	50.6
Lamlom & Savidge (2003)	Hardwood (22 types)	46.27-49.97
Lamlom & Savidge (2003)	Softwood (19 types)	47.21-55.2
Schmidl et al. (2011)	Beech logs	50
Schmidl et al. (2011)	Briquettes	51
Schmidl et al. (2011)	Oak logs	48
Schmidl et al. (2011)	Spruce logs	51
Schmidl et al. (2011)	Wood chips	47

The estimated CO_2 emission factors for wood are:

Firewood: (1000• 0.50•(1-0.15)•44/12)/(19*(1-0.15)-2.45•0.15) = 98.7 kg/GJ

Wood chips: (1000•0.50•(1-0.40)•44/12)/(19*(1-0.40)-2.45•0.40) = 105.6 kg/GJ

Wood waste: (1000• 0.50•(1-0.20)•44/12)/(19*(1-0.20)-2.45•0.20) = 99.7 kg/GJ

The revised emission factors are all below the IPCC (2006) default emission factor for wood, 112 kg/GJ.

In the emission inventories firewood, wood chips, and wood waste are added and thus an implied emission factor for CO_2 based on the Danish energy statistics is applied. The implied emission factor is estimated each year. The same emission factor is applied for all subsectors.

The time series for the CO_2 emission factor is shown in Table 3.2.30.

Table 3.2.30 Time series for the implied emission factor for CO_2 from wood.

Year	Implied emission factor for CO_2 from wood
1990	99.785
1991	99.661
1992	99.718
1993	99.691
1994	99.802
1995	99.819
1996	99.897
1997	99.894
1998	100.081
1999	100.057
2000	99.948
2001	100.009
2002	100.161
2003	100.583
2004	100.615
2005	100.448
2006	100.490
2007	100.293
2008	100.658
2009	100.955
2010	101.041
2011	101.299
2012	101.512
2013	101.275
2014	101.481
2015	101.277
2016	101.537
2017	102.088
2018	102.492
2019	102.793
2020	103.115
2021	103.380
2022	103.331
2023	103.211
2024	103.348

Wood pellets

The net calorific value (NCV) of wood pellets applied in the Danish energy statistics is 17.5 GJ/ton. This value refers to a note from the Danish Energy Agency that was updated by EA Energy Analysis in 2018 (EA & DEA,

2018e). According to EA & DEA (2018e), the dry matter net calorific value is 17.5 GJ/ton based on numerous laboratory analyses. The water content of wood pellets is 7 % and thus the estimated NCV is

$$19 \text{ GJ/ton} \cdot 0.07 - 2.45 \text{ GJ/ton} \cdot 0.07 = 17.5 \text{ GJ/ton}$$

Based on 50 %-weight (dry) C, the estimated CO_2 emission factor for wood pellets is:

$$\text{Wood pellets} \quad (1000 \cdot 0.50 \cdot (1-0.07) \cdot 44/12)/(19*(1-0.07)-2.45 \cdot 0.07) = 97.4 \text{ kg/GJ}$$

The CO_2-emission factor 97.4 kg/GJ is applied for all years.

Straw

The net calorific value (NCV) of straw applied in the Danish energy statistics is 14.5 GJ/ton. This value refers to a note from the Danish Energy Agency that was updated by EA Energy Analysis in 2018 (EA & DEA, 2018a).

According to EA & DEA (2018a), the dry matter net calorific value is 17.5 GJ/ton based on numerous laboratory analyses. The water content of straw is 15 % and thus the estimated NCV is

$$17.5 \text{ GJ/ton} \cdot 0.85 - 2.45 \text{ GJ/ton} \cdot 0.15 = 14.5 \text{ GJ/ton}$$

The water content and NCV of straw was confirmed by Kristensen (2022a).

The carbon content of straw is available from several studies, see Table 3.2.31. The table also includes data for NCV and water content. Some original data are based on dry straw (d) and some on dry ash free straw (daf).

The emission factor is based on the average value from Videncenter (1995). This reference includes data from Denmark, and the CO_2 emission factor levels agree with other references considered. The estimated emission factor is 100 kg/GJ. This emission factor is be applied for all years.

Table 3.2.31 Data for NCV and carbon content for straw.

Reference	Comments	Water content (weight %)	NCV (GJ/ton) dry basis[4)]	NCV (GJ/ton) at 15 % water	Carbon content (weight %, dry basis)	Carbon content (weight %, 15 % water)	CO_2 emission factor, kg/GJ
Bech & Dahlin (1989)		10	-	(14.5)[1)]	(43 wet) 47.8	40.6	103
Videncenter (1993)	Yellow straw	15		14.4	-		-
Videncenter (1993)	Grey straw	15		15.0	-		-
Videncenter (1995)	Barley 1	-	(18.65 daf) 18.0	14.9	48.13	40.9	101
Videncenter (1995)	Barley 2	-	(18.55 daf) 17.8	14.8	47.44	40.3	100
Videncenter (1995)	Wheat	-	(18.71 daf) 17.8	14.8	47.38	40.3	100
Videncenter (1995)	Rye	-	(18.80 daf) 18.2	15.1	47.38	40.3	98
Videncenter (1995)	Rapeseed	-	(18.63 daf) 17.7	14.7	47.95	40.8	102
Frey et al. (2017)	Yellow straw	10-20[2)]	(18.2 daf) 17.5	14.4	(42 wet)[2)] 49.4	42[2)]	107[2)]
Frey et al. (2017)	Grey straw	10-20[2)]	(18.7 daf) 18.1	15	(43 wet) [2)] 50.6	43[2)]	105[2)]
Jensen et al. (2017)	Yellow straw	8.8	17.20	14.3	-	-	-
Jensen et al. (2017)	Grey straw	9.4	16.98	14.1	-	-	-
Jensen et al. (2017)	Grey straw	9.2	17.40	14.4	-	-	-
Bakker et al. (2013)	Wheat straw	10.4	(18.181 daf) 16.9	14.0	(49 daf) 45.5	38.7	101
Zeng et al. (2017)	Test fuel A1, wheat straw 2	10.9	16.9	(14.0)	45.3	38.5	101
Zeng et al. (2017)	Test fuel A2, wheat straw 2	9.4	16.5	(13.7)	44.9	38.2	102
Zeng et al. (2017)	Reference fuel A, wheat straw	11.6	16.7	(13.8)	45.8	38.9	103
Skøtt (2011)	Yellow straw	10-20		(14.4[3)])	42		-
Skøtt (2011)	Grey straw	10-20		(15.0[3)])	43		-

1) Assumed equal to the value applied in the energy statistics.
2) Assumed 15 % water.
3) The water content corresponding to this NCV is unknown.
4) daf: Dry ash-free, d: dry.

Bio oil

The emission factor, 70.8 kg per GJ refers to the IPCC (2006). The consumption of bio oil in stationary combustion plants is below 2 PJ all years.

Biogas

In Denmark, three different types of biogases are applied: Manure/organic waste-based biogas, landfill-based biogas, and wastewater treatment biogas (sludge gas). Manure / organic waste-based biogas represented 96 % of the biogas production in 2024. Most of the biogas based on manure / organic waste is however upgraded to biomethane, that is included as a separate fuel in the emission inventories. The CO_2 emission factor for biomethane differs from the emission factor for biogas.

The fuel category *Biogas* includes the not-upgraded biogas from manure (79% in 2020), landfill gas (2% in 2020) and sludge gas (19% in 2020). Seven fuel analysis were measured by Kristensen (2003). The fuel analyses, that include manure gas, sludge gas and landfill gas, are shown in Table 3.2.32. The average CO_2 emission factor for five of the fuel analysis have been estimated to 81.9 kg/GJ. Two analyses were not included in the average: #24 is an outlier, and #5 does not sum up to 100 %. The emission factor 81.9 kg/GJ is close to the factor for manure gas.

The emission factor 81.9 kg/GJ is applied for all biogas types and all years in the emission inventory.

Table 3.2.32 Biogas analysis from Kristensen (2003). The CO_2 emission factors have been added by DCE.

Biogas type	CH_4	CO_2	N_2	O_2	NCV	CO_2 emission factor
	mol %	mol %	mol %	mol %	MJ/m^3_n	kg/GJ
Manure gas #4	61.00	33.76	4.48	0.76	21.92	84.9
Manure gas #5 [2)]	63.06	29.03	6.39	1.17	22.73	79.5
Manure gas #18	69.10	30.00	0.81	0.18	24.82	78.4
Sludge gas #21	64.91	34.10	0.64	0.35	23.33[1)]	83.3
Sludge gas #25	67.88	31.30	0.56	0.26	24.39	79.8
Landfill gas #22	62.61	32.29	5.10	0.00	22.5	82.9
Landfill gas #24	47.63	32.63	19.14	0.6	17.11	92.1

1. A typing error in the report has been corrected.
2. The sum is not 100 % for this biogas.

Biomass gasification gas

Biomass gasification gas applied in Denmark is based on wood. The gas composition is known for three different plants and the applied emission factor 142.9 kg/GJ have been estimated by Danish Gas Technology Centre (Kristensen, 2010) based on the gas composition measured on the plant with the highest consumption. The emission factor includes the CO_2-content of the gasification gas.

The consumption of biomass gasification gas is below 2 PJ for all years.

Biomethane

Biogas upgraded for distribution in the natural gas grid is referred to as biomethane in this report. Other references might refer to this fuel as bio natural gas or upgraded biogas. Biomethane has been applied in Denmark since 2014.

A typical biomethane composition have been stated by Energinet (Energinet, 2022). The gas composition is 99.15 mole-% CH_4, 0.37 mole-% N_2, 0.12 mole-% O_2 and 0.36 mole-% CO_2 (Energinet, 2022). This corresponds to the CO_2 emission factor 54.9 kg/GJ. This emission factor is applied all years.

CH_4 emission factors

The CH_4 emission factors applied for 2024 are presented in Table 3.2.33. In general, the same emission factors have been applied for 1990-2024. However, time series have been estimated for both natural gas fuelled engines and biogas fuelled engines, residential wood combustion, combustion of straw in residential and agricultural plants, natural gas fuelled gas turbines[26] and waste incineration plants.

Emission factors for CHP plants < 25 MW_e refer to emission measurements carried out on Danish plants (Nielsen et al., 2010a; Nielsen & Illerup, 2003; Nielsen et al., 2008).

The emission factors for residential wood combustion are based on technology dependent data.

[26] A minor emission source.

Emission factors that are not nationally referenced all refer to the IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006).

Gas engines combusting natural gas or biogas accounted for 44 % of the CH_4 emission from stationary combustion plants in 2024. The relatively high emission factor for gas engines is well documented and further discussed below.

Table 3.2.33 CH_4 emission factors, 2024.

Fuel group	Fuel	CRT source category	CRT source category	SNAP	Emission factor, g per GJ	Reference
SOLID	Coal	1A1a	Public electricity and heat production	0101 0102	0.9	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-6, Utility Boiler, Pulverised bituminous coal combustion, Wet bottom.
		1A2 a-g	Industry	03	10	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-3, Manufacturing industries.
		1A4b i	Residential	0202	300	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2.5, Residential, Bituminous coal.
		1A4c i	Agriculture/ Forestry	0203	10	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-4, Commercial, coal.[1)]
	BKB	1A4b i	Residential	0202	300	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-5, Residential, brown coal briquettes
	Coke oven coke	1A2 a-g	Industry	03	10	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-4, Commercial, coke oven coke.
		1A4b i	Residential	0202	300	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-5, Residential, coke oven coke.
	Anodic carbon	1A2 a-g	Industry	03	10	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-3, Manufacturing industries.
	Fossil fly ash	1A1a	Public electricity and heat production	0101	0.9	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-6, Utility Boiler, Pulverised bituminous coal combustion, Wet bottom.
LIQUID	Petroleum coke	1A2 a-g	Industry	03	3	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-3, Industry, petroleum coke.
		1A4a	Commercial/ Institutional	0201	10	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-4, Commercial, Petroleum coke.
		1A4b	Residential	0202	10	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-5, Residential / agricultural, Petroleum coke.
		1A4c	Agriculture/ Forestry	0203	10	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-5, Residential / agricultural, Petroleum coke.
	Residual oil	1A1a	Public electricity and heat production	010101	0.8	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-6, Utility Boiler, Residual fuel oil.
				010102 010103	1.3	Nielsen et al. (2010a)
				010104	3	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-2, Energy industries, residual oil.
				010105	4	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-6, Utility, Large diesel engines
				010203	0.8	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-6, Utility Boiler, Residual fuel oil.
		1A1b	Petroleum refining	010306	3	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-2, Energy industries, residual fuel oil.
		1A2 a-g	Industry	03	1.3	Nielsen et al. (2010a)
				Engines	4	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-6, Utility, Large diesel engines
		1A4a	Commercial/ Institutional	0201	1.4	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-10, Commercial, residual fuel oil boilers.
		1A4b	Residential	0202	1.4	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-9, Residential, residual fuel oil.
		1A4c	Agriculture/ Forestry	0203	1.4	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-10, Commercial, residual fuel oil boilers.[1)].
	Gas oil	1A1a	Public electricity and heat production	010101 010102 010103	0.9	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-6, Utility, gas oil, boilers.
				010104	3	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-2, Energy industries, gas oil.
				010105	24	Nielsen et al. (2010a)
				010202	0.9	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-6, Utility, gas

Fuel group	Fuel	CRT source category	CRT source category	SNAP	Emission factor, g per GJ	Reference
				010203		oil, boilers.
		1A1b	Petroleum refining	010306	3	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-2, Energy industries, gas oil.
		1A1c	Oil and gas extraction	0105	0.9	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-6, Utility, gas oil, boilers.
		1A2 a-g	Industry	03	0.2	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-7, Industry, gas oil, boilers.
				Tur-bines	3	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-3, Industry, gas oil.
				Engines	24	Nielsen et al. (2010a)
		1A4a	Commercial/ Institution-al	0201	0.7	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-10, Commercial, gas oil.
				020105	24	Nielsen et al. (2010a)
		1A4b i	Residential	0202	0.7	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2.9, Residential, gas oil.
				020204	24	Nielsen et al. (2010a)
		1A4c	Agriculture/ Forestry	0203	0.7	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-10, Commercial, gas oil[1)].
				020304	24	Nielsen et al. (2010a)
	Kerosene	1A2 a-g	Industry	03	3	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-3, Industry, other kerosene.
		1A4a	Commercial/ Institution-al	0201	10	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-4, Commercial, other kerosene.
		1A4b i	Residential	0202	10	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-5, Residential/agricultural, other kerosene.
		1A4c i	Agriculture/ Forestry	0203	10	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-5, Residential/agricultural, other kerosene.
	LPG	1A1a	Public electricity and heat production	0101 0102	1	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-2, Energy Industries, LPG.
		1A1b	Petroleum refining	0103	1	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-2, Energy Industries, LPG.
		1A2 a-g	Industry	03	1	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-3, Industry, LPG
		1A4a	Commercial/ Institution-al	0201	5	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-4, Commercial, LPG.
		1A4b i	Residential	0202	5	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-5, Residential / agricultural, LPG.
		1A4c i	Agriculture/ Forestry	0203	5	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-5, Residential / agricultural, LPG.
	Refinery gas	1A1b	Petroleum refining	010304	1.7	Assumed equal to natural gas fuelled gas turbines. Nielsen et al. (2010a)
				010306	1	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-2, refinery gas.
GAS	Natural gas	1A1a	Public electricity and heat production	010101 010102 010103	1	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-6, Utility, natural gas, boilers.
				010104	1.7	Nielsen et al. (2010a)
				010105	481	Nielsen et al. (2010a)
				010202 010203	1	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-6, Utility, natural gas, boilers.
		1A1b	Petroleum refining	010306	1	Assumed equal to industrial boilers.
		1A1c	Oil and gas extraction	010503	1	Assumed equal to industrial boilers.
				010504	1.7	Nielsen et al. (2010a)
			Biogas upgrading	010510	1	Assumed equal to industrial boilers.
		1A2 a-g	Industry	Other	1	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-7, Industry, natural gas boilers.
				Gas turbines	1.7	Nielsen et al. (2010a)
				Engines	481	Nielsen et al. (2010a)
		1A4a	Commercial/ Institution-al	0201	1	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-10, Commercial, natural gas boilers.
				020105	481	Nielsen et al. (2010a)
		1A4b i	Residential	0202	37.5	Schweitzer, 2020
				020204	481	Nielsen et al. (2010a)
		1A4c i	Agriculture/ Forestry	0203	1	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-10, Commercial, natural gas boilers[1)].
				020304	481	Nielsen et al. (2010a)

Fuel group	Fuel	CRT source category	CRT source category	SNAP	Emission factor, g per GJ	Reference
WASTE	Waste	1A1a	Public electricity and heat production	0101 0102	0.34	Nielsen et al. (2010a)
		1A2 a-g	Industry	03	30	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-3, Industry, municipal wastes.
		1A4a	Commercial/ Institution-al	0201	30	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-3, Industry, municipal wastes [2)].
	Industrial waste	1A2f	Industry	0316	30	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-3, Industry, industrial wastes.
BIO-MASS	Wood	1A1a	Public electricity and heat production	0101	3.1	Nielsen et al. (2010a)
				0102	11	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-6, Utility boilers, wood
		1A2 a-g	Industry	03	11	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-7, Industry, wood, boilers.
		1A4a	Commercial/ Institution-al	0201	11	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-10, Commercial, wood.
		1A4b i	Residential	0202	79.5	DCE estimate based on technology distri-bution, Nielsen et al. (2021b) [3)]
		1A4c i	Agriculture/ Forestry	0203	11	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-10, Commercial, wood.[1)].
	Straw	1A1a	Public electricity and heat production	0101	0.47	Nielsen et al. (2010a)
				0102	30	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-2, Energy industries, other primary solid biomass
		1A4b i	Residential	0202	265	DCE estimate based on DEPA (2022) and IPCC (2006). A time series has been estimated.
		1A4c i	Agriculture/ Forestry	020300	265	DCE estimate based on DEPA (2022) and IPCC (2006). A time series has been estimated.
				020302	30	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-2, Energy industries, other primary solid biomass (large agricultural plants consid-ered equal to this plant category)
	Wood pellets	1A1a	Public electricity and heat production	0101	3.1	Nielsen et al. (2010a)
				0102	3	Paulrud et al. (2005)
		1A2 a-g	Industry	03	3	Paulrud et al. (2005)
		1A4a	Commercial/ Institution-al	0201	3	Paulrud et al. (2005)
		1A4b i	Residential	0202	3	Paulrud et al. (2005)
		1A4c i	Agriculture/ Forestry	0203	3	Paulrud et al. (2005)
	Bio oil	1A1a	Public electricity and heat production	0101	3	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-2, Energy industries, biodiesels.
				010105	24	Nielsen et al. (2010a) assumed same emission factor as for gas oil fuelled en-gines.
				0102	3	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-2, Energy industries, biodiesels.
		1A2 a-g	Industry	03	3	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-3, Industry, biodiesels.
				030902	0.2	-
		1A4b i	Residential	0202	10	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-5, Residential, biodiesels.
	Biogas	1A1a	Public electricity and heat production	0101	1	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-2, Energy industries, other biogas.
				010105	369	Kristensen (2023)
				0102	1	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-2, Energy industries, other biogas.
		1A2 a-g	Industry	03	1	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-3, Industry, other biogas.
				Engines	369	Kristensen (2023)
		1A4a	Commercial/ Institution-al	0201	5	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-4, Commercial, other biogas.
				020105	369	Kristensen (2023)
		1A4b	Residential	0202	1	Assumed equal to natural gas.

Fuel group	Fuel	CRT source category	CRT source category	SNAP	Emission factor, g per GJ	Reference
		1A4c i	Agriculture/ Forestry	0203	5	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-5, Agriculture, other biogas.
				020304	369	Kristensen (2023)
	Bio gasification gas	1A1a	Public electricity and heat production	010101	1	Assumed equal to biogas.
				010105	13	Nielsen et al. (2010a)
		1A4a	Commercial/Institutional	020105	13	Nielsen et al. (2010a)
	Biomethane	1A1a	Public electricity and heat production	0101 0102	1	Assumed equal to natural gas.
				Tur-bines	1.7	Assumed equal to natural gas.
				Engines	481	Assumed equal to natural gas.
		1A1b	Petroleum refining	0103	1	Assumed equal to natural gas.
		1A2 a-g	Industry	03	1	Assumed equal to natural gas.
				Tur-bines	1.7	Assumed equal to natural gas.
				Engines	481	Assumed equal to natural gas.
		1A4a	Commercial/ Institution-al	0201	1	Assumed equal to natural gas.
				Engines	481	Assumed equal to natural gas.
		1A4b	Residential	0202	37.5	Assumed equal to natural gas.
				Engines	481	Assumed equal to natural gas.
		1A4c	Agriculture/ Forestry	0203	1	Assumed equal to natural gas.
				Engines	481	Assumed equal to natural gas.

[1)] Assumed same emission factors as for commercial plants. Plant capacity and technology are similar for Danish plants.

[2)] Assumed same emission factor as for industrial plants. Plant capacity and technology is similar to industrial plants rather than to residential plants.

[3)] Aggregated emission factor based on the technology distribution in the sector (Nielsen et al., 2021b) and technology specific emission factors that refer to Paulrud et al. (2005), Johansson et al. (2004) and Olsson & Kjällstrand (2005). The emission factor is within the IPCC (2006) interval for residential wood combustion (100-900 g per GJ).

CHP plants

A considerable part of the electricity production in Denmark is based on decentralised CHP plants, and well-documented emission factors for these plants are, therefore, of importance. In a project carried out for the electricity transmission company, Energinet, emission factors for CHP plants <25MW_e have been estimated. The work was reported in 2010 (Nielsen et al., 2010a).

The work included waste incineration plants, CHP plants combusting wood and straw, natural gas and biogas-fuelled (reciprocating) engines, natural gas fuelled gas turbines, gas oil fuelled engines, gas oil fuelled gas turbines, steam turbines fuelled by residual oil and engines fuelled by biomass gasification gas. CH_4 emission factors for these plants all refer to Nielsen et al. (2010a)[27]. The estimated emission factors were based on existing emission measurements as well as on emission measurements carried out within the project. The number of emission data sets was comprehensive. Emission factors for subgroups of each plant type were estimated, e.g. the CH_4 emission factors for different gas engine types were determined.

Time series for the CH_4 emission factors are based on a similar project estimating emission factors for year 2000 (Nielsen & Illerup, 2003).

Natural gas, gas engines

The emission factor for natural gas engines refers to the Nielsen et al. (2010a). The emission factor includes the increased emission during

[27] The emission factor for CH_4 from biogas fuelled engines has been revised for the years 2015 onwards, se below.

start/stop of the engines estimated by Nielsen et al. (2008). Emission factor time series for the years 1990-2007 have been estimated based on Nielsen & Illerup (2003). These three references are discussed below.

Nielsen et al. (2010a):

> *CH_4 emission factors for gas engines were estimated for 2003-2006 and for 2007-2010. The dataset was split in two, due to new emission limits for engines from October 2006. The emission factors were based on emission measurements from 366 (2003-2006) and 157 (2007-2010) engines respectively. The engines from which emission measurements were available for 2007-2010 represented 38 % of the gas consumption. The emission factors were estimated based on fuel consumption for each gas engine type and the emission factor for each engine type. The majority of emission measurements that were not performed within the project related solely to the emission of total unburned hydrocarbon (CH_4 + NMVOC). A constant disaggregation factor was estimated based on 9 emission measurements including both CH_4 and NMVOC.*

Nielsen & Illerup (2003):

> *The emission factor for natural gas engines was based on 291 emission measurements in 114 different plants. The plants from which emission measurements were available represented 44 % of the total gas consumption in gas engines in year 2000.*

Nielsen et al. (2008):

> *This study calculated a start/stop correction factor. This factor was applied to the time series estimated in Nielsen & Illerup (2003). Further, the correction factors were applied in Nielsen et al. (2010a).*

The emission factor for lean-burn gas engines is relatively high, especially for pre-chamber engines, which account for more than half the gas consumption in Danish gas engines. However, the emission factors for different pre-chamber engine types differ considerably.

The installation of natural gas engines in decentralised CHP plants in Denmark has taken place since 1990. The first engines installed were relatively small open-chamber engines but later mainly pre-chamber engines were installed. As mentioned above, pre-chamber engines have a higher emission factor than open-chamber engines; therefore, the emission factor has increased during the period 1990-1995. After that, technical improvements of the engines have been implemented as a result of upcoming emission limits that most installed gas engines had to meet in late 2006 (DEPA, 2005).

The time series were based on:

- Full load emission factors for different engine types in year 2000 (Nielsen & Illerup, 2003), 2003-2006 and 2007-2010 (Nielsen et al., 2010a).
- Data for year of installation for each engine and fuel consumption of each engine 1994-2002 from the Danish Energy Agency (DEA, 2003).
- Research concerning the CH_4 emission from gas engines carried out in 1997 (Nielsen & Wit, 1997).

- Correction factors including increased emission during start/stop of the engines (Nielsen et al., 2008).

Table 3.2.34 Time series for the CH_4 emission factor for natural gas fuelled engines.

Year	Emission factor, g per GJ
1990	266
1991	309
1992	359
1993	562
1994	623
1995	632
1996	616
1997	551
1998	542
1999	541
2000	537
2001	522
2002	508
2003	494
2004	479
2005	465
2006	473
2007-2024	481

Gas engines, biogas (1990-2014)

The emission factor for biogas engines was estimated to 434 g per GJ in 2006. The emission factor is lower than the factor for natural gas mainly because most biogas-fuelled engines are lean-burn open-chamber engines - not pre-chamber engines.

Time series for the emission factor have been estimated for 1990-2014. The emission factors for biogas engines were based on Nielsen et al. (2010a) and Nielsen & Illerup (2003). The two references are discussed below. The time series are shown in Table 3.2.35.

Nielsen et al. (2010a):

> *CH_4 emission factors for gas engines were estimated for 2006 based on emission measurements performed in 2003-2010. The emission factor was based on emission measurements from 10 engines. The engines from which emission measurements were available represented 8 % of the gas consumption. The emission factor was estimated based on fuel consumption for each gas engine type and the emission factor for each engine type. The majority of emission measurements that were not performed within the project related solely to the emission of total unburned hydrocarbon (CH_4 + NMVOC). A constant disaggregation factor was estimated based on 3 emission measurements including both CH_4 and NMVOC.*

Nielsen & Illerup (2003):

> *The emission factor for natural gas engines was based on 18 emission measurements from 13 different engines. The engines from which emission measurements were available represented 18 % of the total biogas consumption in gas engines in year 2000.*

Table 3.2.35 Time series for the CH_4 emission factor for biogas-fuelled engines, 1990-2014.

Year	Emission factor, g per GJ
1990	239
1991	251
1992	264
1993	276
1994	289
1995	301
1996	305
1997	310
1998	314
1999	318
2000	323
2001	342
2002	360
2003	379
2004	397
2005	416
2006 - 2014	434

The emission factors for later years refer to a recent study, see *Biogas fuelled gas engines* below.

Gas turbines, natural gas

The emission factor for gas turbines was estimated to be below 1.7 g per GJ in 2005 (Nielsen et al., 2010a). The emission factor was based on emission measurements on five plants. The emission factor in year 2000 was 1.5 g per GJ (Nielsen & Illerup, 2003). A time series has been estimated.

CHP, wood

The emission factor for CHP plants combusting wood was estimated to be below 3.1 g per GJ (Nielsen et al., 2010a) and the emission factor 3.1 g per GJ has been applied for all years. The emission factor was based on emission measurements on two plants.

CHP, straw

The emission factor for CHP plants combusting straw was estimated to be below 0.47 g per GJ (Nielsen et al., 2010a) and the emission factor 0.47 g per GJ has been applied for all years. The emission factor was based on emission measurements on four plants.

CHP, waste

The emission factor for CHP plants combusting waste was estimated to be below 0.34 g per GJ in 2006 (Nielsen et al., 2010a) and 0.59 g per GJ in year 2000 (Nielsen & Illerup, 2003). A time series has been estimated. The emission factor was based on emission measurements on nine plants.

The emission factor has also been applied for district heating plants.

Biogas fuelled gas engines

The CH_4 emission factor for biogas-fuelled gas engines has been revised this year. The revised emission factor for 2019 onwards is based on a report from the Danish Gas Technology Centre (Kristensen, 2023). A time series has been estimated based on the assumption that the decrease took place in 2014-2019. The reference for 1990 – 2014 is discussed above.

Table 3.2.36 CH_4 emission factor time series for biogas-fuelled engines, all years

Year	CH_4 emission factor, g/GJ
1990	239
1991	251
1992	264
1993	276
1994	289
1995	301
1996	305
1997	310
1998	314
1999	318
2000	323
2001	342
2002	360
2003	379
2004	397
2005	416
2006-2014	434
2015	421
2016	408
2017	395
2018	382
2019 onwards	369

Residential boilers, natural gas and biomethane

The CH_4 emission factor for residential boilers is based on a Schweitzer (2020). The emission factor is 37.5 g/GJ. The reference includes emissions during start and stop of gas boilers.

Residential wood combustion

The emission factor for residential wood combustion (not including wood pellets) is based on technology specific data. The emission factor time series is shown in Table 3.2.37.

Table 3.2.37 CH_4 emission factor time series for residential wood combustion[1)].

Year	Emission factor, g per GJ
1990	327
1991	321
1992	314
1993	308
1994	302
1995	296
1996	289
1997	283
1998	276
1999	270
2000	263
2001	256
2002	248
2003	240
2004	227
2005	215
2006	206
2007	197
2008	188
2009	178
2010	167
2011	160
2012	152
2013	145
2014	138
2015	131
2016	124
2017	117
2018	111
2019	105
2020	99
2021	94
2022	88.5
2023	83.8
2024	79.5

[1)] Wood pellets not included.

The emission factors for each technology and the corresponding reference are shown in Table 3.2.38. The emission factor time series is estimated based on time series (1990-2024) for wood consumption in each technology (Nielsen et al., 2021b).

Table 3.2.38 Technology specific CH_4 emission factors for residential wood combustion.

Technology	Emission factor, g per GJ	Reference
Stoves (-1989)	430	Methane emissions from residential biomass combustion, Paulrud et al. (2005) (SMED report, Sweden).
Stoves (1990-2007)	215	Assumed ½ the emission factor for stoves (-1989).
Stoves (2008-2014)	125	Estimated based on the emission factor for stoves (1990-2007) and the emission factors for NMVOC.
Stoves (2015-2016)	125	Same as stoves (2008-2014).
Stoves (2017-)	125	Same as stoves (2008-2014).
Eco labelled stoves / new advanced stoves (-2014)	2	Low emissions from wood burning in an ecolabelled residential boiler. Olsson & Kjällstrand (2005).
Eco labelled stoves / new advanced stoves (2015-2016)	2	Same as advanced/ecolabelled stoves.
Eco labelled stoves / new advanced stoves (2017-)	2	Same as advanced/ecolabelled stoves.
Open fireplaces and similar	430	Assumed equal to stoves (-1989).
Masonry heat accumulating stoves and similar	215	Assumed equal to stoves (1990-2007).
Boilers with accumulation tank (-1979)	211	Methane emissions from residential biomass combustion, Paulrud et al 2005 (SMED report, Sweden).
Boilers without accumulation tank (-1979)	256	Methane emissions from residential biomass combustion, Paulrud et al 2005 (SMED report, Sweden).
Boilers with accumulation tank (1980-)	50	Emission characteristics of modern and old-type residential boilers fired with wood logs and wood pellets. Johansson et al. (2004).
Boilers without accumulation tank (1980-)	50	Emission characteristics of modern and old-type residential boilers fired with wood logs and wood pellets. Johansson et al. (2004).

The time series for wood consumption in the 14 different technologies are illustrated in Figure 3.2.38. The consumption in new/ecolabelled stoves has increased. Details about disaggregation of the wood consumption between technologies are given in Nielsen et al. (2021b).

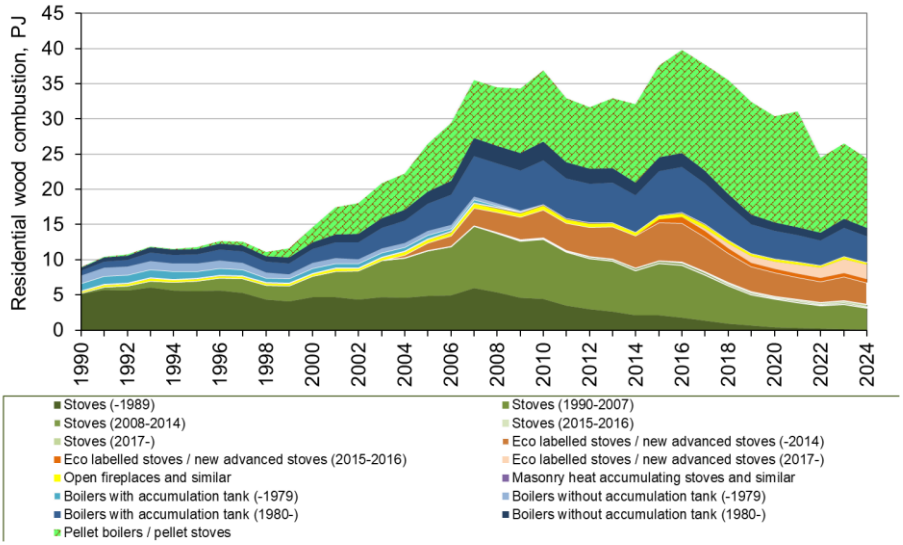


Figure 3.2.38 Technology specific wood consumption in residential plants. The consumption of wood pellets is included in the figure.

Wood pellets

The emission factor for wood pellets refers to Paulrud et al. (2005). For further details, see Nielsen et al. (2021b).

Straw, residential and agricultural plants

The emission factor for straw combusted in residential or agricultural plants takes into account the legislation for new boilers <1MW combusting solid fuels (DEPA, 2022). It has been assumed that 4 % of the straw was combusted in new boilers in 2022. The fuel rate has been assumed to increase 4 %-point each year after 2022.

The emission factor for old boilers, 300 g/GJ, refer to the IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006). The emission factor for new boilers, 4 g/GJ, refer to the Danish legislation for new plants. It has been assumed that half the new plants are automatically fuelled (DCE assumption). It has been assumed that 1/3 of the OGC is CH_4 (also a DCE assumption).

The emission factor time series is shown in Table 3.2.39 below.

Table 3.2.39 CH_4 emission factor time series for straw combustion in residential and agricultural plants

Year	CH_4 emission factor, g/GJ
1990-2021	300
2022	288
2023	276
2024	265

Other stationary combustion plants

Emission factors for other plants refer to the IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006).

N_2O emission factors

The N_2O emission factors applied for the 2024 inventory are listed in Table 3.2.40. Time series have been estimated for natural gas fuelled gas turbines, refinery gas fuelled turbines and residential wood combustion. All other emission factors have been applied unchanged for 1990-2024.

Emission factors for natural gas fuelled reciprocating engines, natural gas fuelled gas turbines, CHP plants < 300 MW combusting wood, straw or residual oil, waste incineration plants, engines fuelled by gas oil and gas engines fuelled by biomass gasification gas all refer to emission measurements carried out on Danish plants, Nielsen et al. (2010a).

The emission factor for coal-powered plants in public power plants refers to research conducted by Elsam (now part of Ørsted).

Plant specific emission factors have been included for two industrial plants.

The emission factor for offshore gas turbines has been assumed to follow the time series for natural gas fuelled gas turbines in Danish CHP plants. There is no evidence to suggest that offshore gas turbines have different emission characteristics for N_2O compared to onshore natural gas turbines and the emission factor is considered applicable.

The emission factor for natural gas fuelled gas turbines has been applied for refinery gas fuelled gas turbines. Refinery gas has similar properties as natural gas, i.e. similar nitrogen content in the fuel, which means that N_2O formation will be similar under similar combustion conditions.

The N_2O emission factor for residential wood combustion have been revised this year referring to technology specific wood consumption rates from Nielsen et al. (2021b) and technology specific emission data from Tsupari et al. (2006), Hedman et al. (2006) and Skreiberg et al. (2023). See details below Table 3.2.40.

- *Tsupari et al. (2006): (In finnish) Dityppioksidin (N_2O) ja metaanin (CH_4) päästökertoimia Suomen voimalaitoksille, lämpökeskuksille ja pienpoltolle.* The reference includes both field tests and laboratory tests for several residential wood combustion technologies. The emission measurements include full cycle measurements.

- *Hedman et al. (2006):* The reference includes measurements from pellet boilers, old boilers, modern boilers and stoves. N_2O emission measurements were not the primary focus for the project, but emission results are included in the supporting information available online. N_2O emission measurements were included in all tests.

- *Skreiberg et al. (2023):* The reference includes emission measurements from three modern stoves.

All emission factors that are not nationally referenced refer to the IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006).

Table 3.2.40 N_2O emission factors 2024.

Fuel group	Fuel	CRT source category	CRT source category	SNAP	Emission factor, g per GJ	Reference
SOLID	Coal	1A1a	Public electricity and heat production	0101	0.8	Henriksen (2005).
				0102	1.4	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2.6, Utility source, pulverised bituminous coal, wet bottom boiler.
		1A2 a-g	Industry	03	1.5	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-3, Manufacturing industries, coal.
		1A4b i	Residential	0202	1.5	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-5, Residential, coal.
		1A4c i	Agriculture/ Forestry	0203	1.5	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-4, Commercial, coal[1)].
	BKB	1A4b i	Residential	0202	1.5	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-5, Residential, brown coal briquettes.
	Coke oven coke	1A2 a-g	Industry	03	1.5	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-3, Industry, coke oven coke.
			Industry – mineral wool	030701	40	Emission factor based on plant specific data for the mineral wool industry, 2024.
		1A4b i	Residential	020200	1.5	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-5, Residential, coke oven coke.
	Anodic carbon	1A2 a-g	Industry	03	1.5	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-3, manufacturing industries, other bituminous coal.
	Fossil fly ash	1A1a	Public electricity and heat production	0101	0.8	Assumed equal to coal.
LIQUID	Petroleum coke	1A2 a-g	Industry – other	03	0.6	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-3, Industry, petroleum coke.
				031600	1.5	-
		1A4a	Commercial/ Institutional	0201	0.6	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-4, Commercial, petroleum coke.
		1A4b i	Residential	0202	0.6	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-5, Residential, petroleum coke.
		1A4c i	Agriculture/ Forestry	0203	0.6	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-5, Residential/ Agricultural, petroleum coke.
	Residual oil	1A1a	Public electricity and heat production	010101	0.3	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-6, Utility, residual fuel oil.
				010102 010103	5	Nielsen et al. (2010a).
				010104 010105	0.6	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-2, Energy industries, residual fuel oil.
				010203	0.3	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-6, Utility, residual fuel oil.
		1A1b	Petroleum refining	010306	0.6	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-2, Energy industries, residual fuel oil.
		1A2 a-g	Industry	03	5	Nielsen et al. (2010a).
				Engines	0.6	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-3, manufacturing industries and construction, residual fuel oil.
		1A4a	Commercial/ Institutional	0201	0.3	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-10, Commercial, fuel oil boilers.
		1A4b i	Residential	0202	0.6	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-5, Residential, residual fuel oil.
		1A4c i	Agriculture/ Forestry	0203	0.3	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-10, Commercial, fuel oil boilers[1)].
	Gas oil	1A1a	Public electricity and heat production	010101 010102 010103	0.4	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-6, Utility, gas oil boilers.
				010104	0.6	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-2, Energy industries, gas oil.
				010105	2.1	Nielsen et al. (2010a).
				0102	0.4	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-6, Utility, gas oil boilers.
		1A1b	Petroleum refining	010306	0.6	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-2, Energy industries, gas oil.
		1A1c	Oil and gas extraction	010500	0.4	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-6, Utility, gas oil boilers.
		1A2 a-g	Industry	03	0.4	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-7, Industry, gas oil

Fuel group	Fuel	CRT source category	CRT source category	SNAP	Emission factor, g per GJ	Reference
						boilers.
				Turbines	0.6	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-3, Industry, gas oil.
				Engines	2.1	Nielsen et al. (2010a).
			Industry – mineral wool	030701	40	Emission factor based on plant specific data for the mineral wool industry, 2024
		1A4a	Commercial/ Institutional	0201	0.4	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-10, Commercial, gas oil boilers.
				Engines	2.1	Nielsen et al. (2010a).
		1A4b i	Residential	0202	0.6	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-5, Residential, gas oil.
				Engines	2.1	Nielsen et al. (2010a).
		1A4c	Agriculture/Forestry	0203	0.4	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-10, Commercial, gas oil boilers[1)].
				Engines	2.1	Nielsen et al. (2010a).
	Kerosene	1A2 a-g	Industry	03	0.6	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-3, Industry, other kerosene.
		1A4a	Commercial/ Institutional	0201	0.6	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-4, Commercial, other kerosene.
		1A4b i	Residential	0202	0.6	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-5, Residential, other kerosene.
		1A4c i	Agriculture/Forestry	0203	0.6	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-4, Commercial, other kerosene [1)].
	LPG	1A1a	Public electricity and heat production	0101 0102	0.1	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-2, Energy industries, LPG.
		1A1b	Petroleum refining	010306	0.1	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-2, Energy industries, LPG.
		1A2 a-g	Industry	03	0.1	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-3, Industry, LPG.
			Industry – mineral wool	030701	40	Emission factor based on plant specific data for the mineral wool industry, 2024.
		1A4a	Commercial/ Institutional	0201	0.1	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-4, Commercial, LPG.
		1A4b i	Residential	0202	0.1	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-5, Residential, LPG.
		1A4c i	Agriculture/Forestry	0203	0.1	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-5, Residential/ Agricultural, LPG.
	Refinery gas	1A1b	Petroleum refining	010304	1	Assumed equal to natural gas fuelled turbines. Based on Nielsen et al. (2010a).
				010306	0.1	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-2, Energy industries, refinery gas.
GAS	Natural gas	1A1a	Public electricity and heat production	010101 010102 010103	1	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-6, Natural gas, Utility, boiler.
				010104	1	Nielsen et al. (2010a).
				010105	0.58	Nielsen et al. (2010a).
				0102	1	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-6, Natural gas, Utility, boiler.
		1A1b	Petroleum refining	010306	1	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-6, Natural gas, Utility, boiler.
		1A1c	Oil and gas extraction	0105	1	Nielsen et al. (2010a)
		1A2 a-g	Industry	03	1	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-7, Industry, natural gas boilers.
				Gas turbines	1	Nielsen et al. (2010a).
				Engines	0.58	Nielsen et al. (2010a).
			Industry – mineral wool	030701	40	Emission factor based on plant specific data for the mineral wool industry, 2024.
		1A4a	Commercial/ Institutional	020100 020103	1	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-10, Commercial, natural gas boilers.
				Engines	0.58	Nielsen et al. (2010a).
		1A4b i	Residential	0202	1	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-9, Residential, natural gas boilers.
				Engines	0.58	Nielsen et al. (2010a).
		1A4c i	Agriculture/Forestry	0203	1	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-10, Commercial,

Fuel group	Fuel	CRT source category	CRT source category	SNAP	Emission factor, g per GJ	Reference
						natural gas boilers [1].
				Engines	0.58	Nielsen et al. (2010a).
WASTE	Waste	1A1a	Public electricity and heat production	0101 0102	1.2	Nielsen et al. (2010a).
		1A2 a-g	Industry	03	4	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-3, Industry, wastes.
		1A4a	Commercial/ Institutional	0201	4	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-4, Commercial, municipal wastes.
	Industrial waste	1A2 a-g	Industry	03	4	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-3, Industry, industrial wastes.
BIO-MASS	Wood	1A1a	Public electricity and heat production	0101	0.8	Nielsen et al. (2010a).
				0102	4	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-2, Energy industries, wood.
		1A2 a-g	Industry	03	7	IPCC (2006), Table 2-7 Industrial source emission factors, wood / wood waste boilers.
		1A4a	Commercial/ Institutional	0201	4	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-4, Commercial, wood.
		1A4b i	Residential	0202	2.72	DCE estimate based on technology distribution, Nielsen et al. (2021b) [2].
		1A4c i	Agriculture/Forestry	0203	4	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-5, Agriculture, wood.
	Straw	1A1a	Public electricity and heat production	0101	1.1	Nielsen et al. (2010a).
				0102	4	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-2, Energy industries, other primary solid biomass.
		1A4b i	Residential	0202	4	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-5, Residential, other primary solid biomass.
		1A4c i	Agriculture/Forestry	0203	4	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-5, Agriculture, other primary solid biomass.
	Wood pellets	1A1a	Public electricity and heat production	0101	0.8	Nielsen et al. (2010a).
				0102	4	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-2, Energy industries, wood.
		1A2 a-g	Industry	03	4	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-3, Industry, wood.
		1A4a	Commercial/ Institutional	0201	4	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-4, Commercial, wood.
		1A4b i	Residential	0202	4	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-5, Residential, wood.
		1A4c	Agriculture/Forestry	0203	4	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-4, Commercial, wood.
	Bio oil	1A1a	Public electricity and heat production	0101 0102	0.6	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-2, Utility, biodiesels.
				Engines	2.1	Assumed equal to gas oil. Based on Nielsen et al. (2010a).
		1A2 a-g	Industry	03	0.4	Assumed equal to gas oil.
		1A4b i	Residential	0202	0.6	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-5, Residential, biodiesels.
	Biogas	1A1a	Public electricity and heat production	0101 0102	0.1	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-2, Energy industries, other biogas.
				Engines	1.6	Nielsen et al. (2010a).
		1A2 a-g	Industry	03	0.1	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-3, Industry, other biogas.
				Engines	1.6	Nielsen et al. (2010a).
		1A4a	Commercial/ Institutional	0201	0.1	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2,4, Commercial, other biogas.
				Engines	1.6	Nielsen et al. (2010a).
		1A4b	Residential	0202	1	Assumed equal to natural gas.
		1A4c i	Agriculture/Forestry	0203	0.1	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-5, Agriculture, other biogas.
				Engines	1.6	Nielsen et al. (2010a).
	Bio gasification gas	1A1a	Public electricity and heat production	010101	0.1	Assumed equal to biogas.
				010105	2.7	Nielsen et al. (2010a).

Fuel group	Fuel	CRT source category	CRT source category	SNAP	Emission factor, g per GJ	Reference
		1A4a	Commercial/ Institutional	020105	2.7	Nielsen et al. (2010a).
	Biomethane	1A1a	Public electricity and heat production	0101 or 0102	1	Assumed equal to natural gas.
				Engines	0.58	Assumed equal to natural gas.
		1A1b	Petroleum refining	0103	1	Assumed equal to natural gas.
		1A2 a-g	Industry	03	1	Assumed equal to natural gas.
				Engines	0.58	Assumed equal to natural gas.
		1A2 f	Industry – mineral wool	030701	40	Emission factor based on plant specific data for the mineral wool industry, 2024.
		1A4a	Commercial/ Institutional	0201	1	Assumed equal to natural gas.
				Engines	0.58	Assumed equal to natural gas.
		1A4b	Residential	0202	1	Assumed equal to natural gas.
				Engines	0.58	Assumed equal to natural gas.
		1A4c	Agriculture/Forestry	0203	1	Assumed equal to natural gas.
				Engines	0.58	Assumed equal to natural gas.

1) In Denmark, plants in Agriculture/Forestry are similar to Commercial plants.

2) Aggregated emission factor based on the technology distribution in the sector (Nielsen et al., 2021b) and technology specific emission factors that refer to Tsupari et al. (2006), Hedman et al. (2006), and Skreiberg et al. (2023). The emission factor is within the IPCC (2006) interval for residential wood combustion (1.5 - 15 g per GJ).

Residential wood combustion

The N_2O emission factor for residential wood combustion have been revised this year referring to technology specific wood consumption rates from Nielsen et al. (2021b) and technology specific emission data from Tsupari et al. (2006), Hedman et al. (2006) and Skreiberg et al. (2023).

- *Tsupari et al. (2006): (In finnish) Dityppioksidin (N_2O) ja metaanin (CH_4) päästökertoimia Suomen voimalaitoksille, lämpökeskuksille ja pienpoltolle.* The reference includes both field tests and laboratory tests for several residential wood combustion technologies. The emission measurements include full cycle measurements.

- *Hedman et al. (2006):* The reference includes measurements from pellet boilers, old boilers, modern boilers and stoves. N_2O emission measurements were not the primary focus for the project, but emission results are included in the supporting information available online. N_2O emission measurements were included in all tests.

- *Skreiberg et al. (2023):* The reference includes emission measurements from three modern stoves.

- The emission factors for each technology and the corresponding reference are shown in Table 3.2.41. The emission factor time series is estimated based on time series (1990-2024) for wood consumption in each technology (Nielsen et al., 2021b).

Table 3.2.41 Technology specific N_2O emission factors for residential wood combustion.

Technology	Emission factor, g per GJ	Reference
Stoves (-1989)	5.3	Hedman et al., 2006.
Stoves (1990-2007)	5.3	Hedman et al., 2006.
Stoves (2008-2014)	0.8	Skreiberg et al., 2023.
Stoves (2015-2016)	0.8	Skreiberg et al., 2023.
Stoves (2017-)	0.8	Skreiberg et al., 2023.
Eco labelled stoves / new advanced stoves (-2014)	0.8	Skreiberg et al., 2023.
Eco labelled stoves / new advanced stoves (2015-2016)	0.8	Skreiberg et al., 2023.
Eco labelled stoves / new advanced stoves (2017-)	0.8	Skreiberg et al., 2023.
Open fireplaces and similar	9	IPCC Guidelines, 2006.
Masonry heat accumulating stoves and similar	2.0	Tsupari et al., 2006 (average).
Boilers with accumulation tank (-1979)	3.1	DCE estimate based on Hedman et al., 2006.
Boilers without accumulation tank (-1979)	3.1	DCE estimate based on Hedman et al., 2006.
Boilers with accumulation tank (1980-)	3.1	DCE estimate based on Hedman et al., 2006.
Boilers without accumulation tank (1980-)	3.1	DCE estimate based on Hedman et al., 2006.

The emission factor time series is shown in Table 3.2.42.

Table 3.2.42 N_2O emission factor time series for residential wood combustion[1)].

Year	Emission factor, g per GJ
1990	4.54
1991	4.55
1992	4.55
1993	4.55
1994	4.56
1995	4.56
1996	4.56
1997	4.57
1998	4.57
1999	4.58
2000	4.58
2001	4.59
2002	4.59
2003	4.60
2004	4.48
2005	4.36
2006	4.28
2007	4.21
2008	4.12
2009	4.02
2010	3.93
2011	3.84
2012	3.75
2013	3.66
2014	3.57
2015	3.49
2016	3.40
2017	3.31
2018	3.22
2019	3.14
2020	3.05
2021	2.96
2022	2.88
2023	2.80
2024	2.72

1) Wood pellets not included.

3.2.6 Uncertainty assessment and time series consistency

Uncertainty

Uncertainty estimates include uncertainty regarding the total emission inventory as well as uncertainty regarding trends.

Methodology

The uncertainties for greenhouse gas emissions have been estimated according to the IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006). This year the uncertainty has been estimated only by approach 1. Approach 1 is further described in Chapter 1.7.

Approach 1 is based on a normal distribution and a confidence interval of 95 %.

The input data for the approach 1 are:

- Emission data for the base year (1990) and the latest year (2024).
- Uncertainties for emission factors
- Uncertainty for fuel consumption rates.

The emission source categories applied are listed in Table 3.2.43.

Source categories

Due to large differences in data uncertainty, some emission source categories have been further disaggregated than suggested in the IPCC Guidelines (2006):

- For five different fuels, CO_2 emissions based on ETS data and on non-ETS data have been considered two different emission sources
- CH_4 emission from natural gas fuelled engines
- CH_4 emission from biogas and biomethane fuelled engines
- CH_4 emission from residential wood combustion
- CH_4 emission from residential and agricultural combustion of straw
- N_2O emission from residential wood combustion
- N_2O emission from residential and agricultural combustion of straw

The separate uncertainty estimation for gas engine CH_4 emission and CH_4 emission from other plants is applied, because in Denmark, the CH_4 emission from gas engines is much larger than the emission from other stationary combustion plants, and the CH_4 emission factor for gas engines is estimated with a much smaller uncertainty level than for other stationary combustion plants.

The 2024 uncertainty levels have been applied in uncertainty calculation for trend.

Fuel

The applied uncertainty rates for fuel consumption are shown below.

Table 3.2.43 Uncertainties for fuel consumption 2024.

IPCC Source category	2024	Reference
1A1, 1A2, 1A4 St. comb. Coal, ETS data, CO_2	0.5 %	ETS data.
1A1, 1A2, 1A4 St. comb. Coal, no ETS data, CO_2	1.7 %	Estimated based on IPCC (2006) values.
1A1, 1A2, 1A4 St. comb., BKB, CO_2	2.9 %	Estimated based on IPCC (2006) values.
1A1, 1A2, 1A4 St. comb., Coke oven coke, CO_2	1.6 %	Estimated based on IPCC (2006) values.
1A1, 1A2, 1A4 St. comb., Fossil waste, ETS data, CO_2	2.0 %	DCE assumption.
1A1, 1A2, 1A4 St. comb., Fossil waste, no ETS data, CO_2	5.0 %	DCE assumption.
1A1, 1A2, 1A4 St. comb., Petroleum coke, ETS data, CO_2	0.5 %	ETS data.
1A1, 1A2, 1A4 St. comb., Petroleum coke, no ETS data, CO_2	2.0 %	Estimated based on IPCC (2006) values.
1A1, 1A2, 1A4 St. comb., Residual oil, ETS data, CO_2	0.5 %	ETS data.
1A1, 1A2, 1A4 St. comb., Residual oil, no ETS data, CO_2	1.2 %	Estimated based on IPCC (2006) values.
1A1, 1A2, 1A4 St. comb., Gas oil, CO_2	1.9 %	Estimated based on IPCC (2006) values.
1A1, 1A2, 1A4 St. comb., Kerosene, CO_2	2.6 %	Estimated based on IPCC (2006) values.
1A1, 1A2, 1A4 St. comb., LPG, CO_2	1.8 %	Estimated based on IPCC (2006) values.
1A1b, St. comb., Refinery gas, CO_2	1.0 %	Estimated based on IPCC (2006) values.
1A1, 1A2, 1A4, Stationary combustion, Natural gas, onshore, CO_2	1.4 %	Estimated based on IPCC (2006) values. Offshore gas turbines not included in this category.
1A1c Offshore gas turbines, Natural gas, CO_2	0.5 %	ETS data for 2021, IPCC (2006) for 1990.
1A1, Stationary Combustion, SOLID, CH_4	1.0 %	IPCC (2006), less than 1%.
1A1, Stationary Combustion, LIQUID, CH_4	1.0 %	IPCC (2006), less than 1%.
1A1, Stationary Combustion, not engines, GAS, CH_4	1.0 %	IPCC (2006), less than 1%.
1A1, Stationary Combustion, WASTE, CH_4	3.0 %	DCE assumption. The uncertainty for the total consumption of waste is lower than the uncertainty for the fossil part.
1A1, Stationary Combustion, not engines, BIOMASS, CH_4	3.0 %	DCE assumption.
1A2, Stationary Combustion, SOLID, CH_4	2.0 %	IPCC (2006).
1A2, Stationary Combustion, LIQUID, CH_4	2.0 %	IPCC (2006).
1A2, Stationary Combustion, not engines, GAS, CH_4	2.0 %	IPCC (2006).
1A2, Stationary Combustion, WASTE, CH_4	3.0 %	DCE assumption. The uncertainty for the total consumption of waste is lower than the uncertainty for the fossil part.
1A2, Stationary Combustion, not engines, BIOMASS, CH_4	3.0 %	IPCC (2006).
1A4, Stationary Combustion, SOLID, CH_4	3.0 %	IPCC (2006).
1A4, Stationary Combustion, LIQUID, CH_4	3.0 %	IPCC (2006).
1A4, Stationary Combustion, not engines, GAS, CH_4	3.0 %	IPCC (2006).
1A4, Stationary Combustion, WASTE, CH_4	3.0 %	DCE assumption. The uncertainty for the total consumption of waste is lower than the uncertainty for the fossil part.
1A4, Stationary Combustion, not engines, not residential wood and not residential/agricultural straw, BIOMASS, CH_4	3.0 %	IPCC (2006).
1A4, Stationary Combustion, Residential wood combustion, CH_4	10.0 %	DCE assumption.
1A4, Stationary Combustion, Residential and agricultural straw combustion, CH_4	10.0 %	DCE assumption.
1A1, 1A2, 1A4 Natural gas fuelled engines, GAS, CH_4	1.0 %	Lindgren (2010).
1A1, 1A2, 1A4 Biogas fuelled engines, GAS, CH_4	3.0 %	DCE assumption.
1A1, Stationary Combustion, SOLID, N_2O	1.0 %	IPCC (2006), less than 1%.
1A1, Stationary Combustion, LIQUID, N_2O	1.0 %	IPCC (2006), less than 1%.
1A1, Stationary Combustion, GAS, N_2O	1.0 %	IPCC (2006), less than 1%.
1A1, Stationary Combustion, WASTE, N_2O	3.0 %	DCE assumption.
1A1, Stationary Combustion, BIOMASS, N_2O	3.0 %	DCE assumption.
1A2, Stationary Combustion, SOLID, N_2O	2.0 %	IPCC (2006).
1A2, Stationary Combustion, LIQUID, N_2O	2.0 %	IPCC (2006).
1A2, Stationary Combustion, GAS, N_2O	2.0 %	IPCC (2006).
1A2, Stationary Combustion, WASTE, N_2O	3.0 %	DCE assumption.
1A2, Stationary Combustion, BIOMASS, N_2O	3.0 %	DCE assumption.
1A4, Stationary Combustion, SOLID, N_2O	3.0 %	IPCC (2006).
1A4, Stationary Combustion, LIQUID, N_2O	3.0 %	IPCC (2006).

IPCC Source category	2024	Reference
1A4, Stationary Combustion, GAS, N_2O	3.0 %	IPCC (2006).
1A4, Stationary Combustion, WASTE, N_2O	3.0 %	DCE assumption.
1A4, Stationary Combustion, not residential wood and not residential/agricultural straw, BIOMASS, N_2O	3.0 %	DCE assumption.
1A4b, Stationary Combustion, Residential wood combustion, N_2O	10.0 %	DCE assumption.
1A4b/c, Stationary Combustion, Residential and agricultural straw combustion, N_2O	10.0 %	DCE assumption.

Emission factors

Uncertainties for emission factors are shown in Table 3.2.44.

Table 3.2.44 Uncertainties for emission factors, 2024.

IPCC Source category	**2024**	**Reference**
1A1, 1A2, 1A4 St. comb. Coal, ETS data, CO_2	0.3 %	ETS data, 2020 estimate.
1A1, 1A2, 1A4 St. comb. Coal, no ETS data, CO_2	1.0 %	DCE assumption.
1A1, 1A2, 1A4 St. comb., BKB, CO_2	5.0 %	IPCC (2000), chapter 2.1.1.6.
1A1, 1A2, 1A4 St. comb., Coke oven coke, CO_2	5.0 %	IPCC (2000), chapter 2.1.1.6.
1A1, 1A2, 1A4 St. comb., Fossil waste, ETS data, CO_2	3.0 %	ETS data, DCE estimate based on Astrup et al. (2012).
1A1, 1A2, 1A4 St. comb., Fossil waste, no ETS data, CO_2	10.0 %	Non-ETS data, DCE estimate based on Astrup et al. (2012).
1A1, 1A2, 1A4 St. comb., Petroleum coke, ETS data, CO_2	0.5 %	ETS data, 2020 estimate.
1A1, 1A2, 1A4 St. comb., Petroleum coke, no ETS data, CO_2	5.0 %	IPCC (2000), chapter 2.1.1.6.
1A1, 1A2, 1A4 St. comb., Residual oil, ETS data, CO_2	0.5 %	ETS data, 2015 estimate.
1A1, 1A2, 1A4 St. comb., Residual oil, no ETS data, CO_2	2.0 %	Jensen & Lindroth (2002).
1A1, 1A2, 1A4 St. comb., Gas oil, CO_2	1.3 %	DCE estimate.
1A1, 1A2, 1A4 St. comb., Kerosene, CO_2	3.0 %	Based on interval in IPCC (2006).
1A1, 1A2, 1A4 St. comb., LPG, CO_2	4.0 %	Based on interval in IPCC (2006).
1A1b,St. comb., Refinery gas, CO_2	0.5 %	1990: IPCC (2000), chapter 2.1.1.6. 2020: DCE assumption, EU ETS data.
1A1, 1A2, 1A4, Stationary combustion, Natural gas, onshore, CO_2	0.4 %	Lindgren (2010). Personal communication.
1A1c Offshore gas turbines, Natural gas, CO_2	0.5 %	ETS data for 2020, but not for 1990.
1A1, Stationary Combustion, SOLID, CH_4	100 %	Based on interval in IPCC (2006), table 2.12.
1A1, Stationary Combustion, LIQUID, CH_4	100 %	Based on interval in IPCC (2006), table 2.12.
1A1, Stationary Combustion, not engines, GAS, CH_4	100 %	Based on interval in IPCC (2006), table 2.12.
1A1, Stationary Combustion, WASTE, CH_4	100 %	Based on interval in IPCC (2006), table 2.12.
1A1, Stationary Combustion, not engines, BIOMASS, CH_4	100 %	Based on interval in IPCC (2006), table 2.12.
1A2, Stationary Combustion, SOLID, CH_4	100 %	Based on interval in IPCC (2006), table 2.12.
1A2, Stationary Combustion, LIQUID, CH_4	100 %	Based on interval in IPCC (2006), table 2.12.
1A2, Stationary Combustion, not engines, GAS, CH_4	100 %	Based on interval in IPCC (2006), table 2.12.
1A2, Stationary Combustion, WASTE, CH_4	100 %	Based on interval in IPCC (2006), table 2.12.
1A2, Stationary Combustion, not engines, BIOMASS, CH_4	100 %	Based on interval in IPCC (2006), table 2.12.
1A4, Stationary Combustion, SOLID, CH_4	100 %	Based on interval in IPCC (2006), table 2.12.
1A4, Stationary Combustion, LIQUID, CH_4	100 %	Based on interval in IPCC (2006), table 2.12.
1A4, Stationary Combustion, not engines, GAS, CH_4	100 %	Based on interval in IPCC (2006), table 2.12.
1A4, Stationary Combustion, WASTE, CH_4	100 %	Based on interval in IPCC (2006), table 2.12.
1A4, Stationary Combustion, not engines, not residential wood and not residential/agricultural straw, BIOMASS, CH_4	100 %	Based on interval in IPCC (2006), table 2.12.
1A4, Stationary Combustion, Residential wood combustion, CH_4	150 %	Upper value in IPCC (2006), table 2.12.
1A4, Stationary Combustion, Residential and agricultural straw combustion, CH_4	150 %	Upper value in IPCC (2006), table 2.12.
1A1, 1A2, 1A4 Natural gas fuelled engines, GAS, CH_4	2 %	1990: DCE estimate based on Nielsen et al. (2010a). 2018: Jørgensen et al. (2010). Uncertainty data for NMVOC + CH_4.
1A1, 1A2, 1A4 Biogas fuelled engines, GAS, CH_4	10 %	DCE estimate based on Nielsen et al. (2010a).
1A1, Stationary Combustion, SOLID, N_2O	400 %	DCE, rough estimate based on a default value of 400 % when the emission factor is based on emission measurements from plants in Denmark.

IPCC Source category	2024	Reference
1A1, Stationary Combustion, LIQUID, N_2O	1000 %	IPCC (2000).
1A1, Stationary Combustion, GAS, N_2O	750 %	DCE, rough estimate based on a default value of 400 % when the emission factor is based on emission measurements from plants in Denmark and 1000 % if not.
1A1, Stationary Combustion, WASTE, N_2O	400 %	DCE, rough estimate based on a default value of 400 % when the emission factor is based on emission measurements from plants in Denmark.
1A1, Stationary Combustion, BIOMASS, N_2O	400 %	DCE, rough estimate based on a default value of 400 % when the emission factor is based on emission measurements from plants in Denmark.
1A2, Stationary Combustion, SOLID, N_2O	400 %	DCE, rough estimate based on a default value of 400 % when the emission factor is based on emission measurements from plants in Denmark.
1A2, Stationary Combustion, LIQUID, N_2O	1000 %	IPCC (2000).
1A2, Stationary Combustion, GAS, N_2O	750 %	DCE, rough estimate based on a default value of 400 % when the emission factor is based on emission measurements from plants in Denmark and 1000 % if not.
1A2, Stationary Combustion, WASTE, N_2O	400 %	DCE, rough estimate based on a default value of 400 % when the emission factor is based on emission measurements from plants in Denmark.
1A2, Stationary Combustion, BIOMASS, N_2O	400 %	DCE, rough estimate based on a default value of 400 % when the emission factor is based on emission measurements from plants in Denmark.
1A4, Stationary Combustion, SOLID, N_2O	400 %	DCE, rough estimate based on a default value of 400 % when the emission factor is based on emission measurements from plants in Denmark.
1A4, Stationary Combustion, LIQUID, N_2O	1000 %	IPCC (2000).
1A4, Stationary Combustion, GAS, N_2O	750 %	DCE, rough estimate based on a default value of 400 % when the emission factor is based on emission measurements from plants in Denmark and 1000 % if not.
1A4, Stationary Combustion, WASTE, N_2O	400 %	DCE, rough estimate based on a default value of 400 % when the emission factor is based on emission measurements from plants in Denmark.
1A4, Stationary Combustion, not residential wood and not residential/agricultural straw, BIOMASS, N_2O	400 %	DCE, rough estimate based on a default value of 400 % when the emission factor is based on emission measurements from plants in Denmark.
1A4b, Stationary Combustion, Residential wood combustion, N_2O	500 %	DCE estimate.
1A4b/c, Stationary Combustion, Residential and agricultural straw combustion, N_2O	500 %	DCE estimate.

Results

Approach 1 uncertainty estimates for stationary combustion emission inventories are shown in Table 3.2.45. Detailed calculation sheets are provided in Annex 3A-7.

The uncertainty interval for the total greenhouse gas emission is estimated to be ±2.8 % and the trend in greenhouse gas emissions is -75.3 % ± 0.6 %-age points. The main sources of uncertainty for greenhouse gas emissions in 2024 are N_2O emission from biomass combusted in Energy industries (1A1), and N_2O emission from residential wood combustion. The main sources of uncertainty in the trend in greenhouse gas emission are also the N_2O emissions from biomass combusted in Energy industries (1A1) and the N_2O emission from residential wood combustion.

Table 3.2.45 Danish uncertainty estimates, Approach 1, 2024.

Pollutant	Uncertainty Total emission, %	Trend 1990-2024, %	Uncertainty trend, %-age points
GHG	± 2.8	-75.3	± 0.6
CO_2	± 0.9	-75.9	± 0.3
CH_4	± 38	-3.7	± 41
N_2O	± 178	-18.5	± 184

3.2.7 Category specific QA/QC and verification

The quality work for the Danish GHG emission inventories is accounted for in *Quality manual for the Danish emission greenhouse gas inventory, Version 3* (Nielsen et al., 2020a). The quality manual outlines the quality work undertaken by the emission inventory group at the Department of Environmental Science, Aarhus University in connection with the preparation and reporting of the Danish greenhouse gas inventory.

The QA/QC defined in the Quality manual defines Critical control points and a Points of measurement. Some points of measurement are sector specific whereas others are general. Information on the Danish quality work is also included in NID Chapter 1.6. Sector specific QA/QC for stationary combustion is accounted for in this chapter.

Documentation concerning verification of the Danish emission inventories was published by Fauser et al. (2013).

The latest update of the sector report for stationary combustion was reviewed by Jytte Boll Illerup from the Danish Environmental Protection Agency (Nielsen, 2021). Former editions of the sector report for stationary combustion have been reviewed by other external experts in 2004, 2006, 2009, 2014 and 2018. An updated report reviewed by Peter Louring Nielsen from the Danish Energy Agency will be published in 2026.

Sector specific points of measurement

Table 3.2.46 lists the sector specific points of measurement and specification about the points of measurement for stationary combustion.

Table 3.2.46 List of sectoral points of measurement, and QC for stationary combustion.

Level	CCP	Id	Description		Stationary combustion QC
Data Storage level 1	1. Accuracy	DS.1.1.1	General level of uncertainty for every dataset including the reasoning for the specific values.	Sectoral	Uncertainties are estimated and references given in NID chapter 3.2.7.
	2. Comparability	DS1.2.1	Comparability of the emission factors/calculation parameters with data from international guidelines, and evaluation of major discrepancies.	Sectoral	In general, if national referenced emission factors differ considerably from IPCC Guideline values this is discussed in NID chapter 3.2.6. This documentation is improved annually based on reviews. At CRT level, a project has been carried out comparing the Danish inventories with those of other countries (Fauser et al., 2013).
	3.Completeness	DS.1.3.1	Ensuring that the best possible national data for all sources are included, by setting down the reasoning behind the selection of datasets.	Sectoral	A list of external data is shown and discussed below (Table 3.2.47).
	4.Consistency	DS.1.4.1	The original external data has to be archived with proper reference.	Sectoral	It is ensured that all original external data are archived. Subsequent data processing takes place in other spreadsheets or databases. The datasets are archived annually in order to ensure that the basic data for a given report are always available in their original form. All original data for stationary combustion are archived in the emission inventory archive: ST_ENVS-Luft-Emi/Inventory/(year)/1A1 1A2 and 1A4 Stationary combustion All original data for 1) the reference approach, 2) the comparison of EU ETS sum and CRT and 3) the comparison of Eurostat data and CRT are archived in the emission inventory archive: ST_ENVS-Luft-Emi/Inventory/(year)/1A Other Energy.
	6.Robustness	DS.1.6.1	Explicit agreements between the external institution holding the data and AU, DCE about the conditions of delivery.	Sectoral	For stationary combustion, a data delivery agreement is made with the DEA. DCE and DEA have renewed the data delivery agreement in 2014. Most of the other external data sources are available due to legislation. See Table 3.2.44.
	7.Transparency	DS.1.7.1	Listing of all archived datasets and external contacts.	Sectoral	A list of external datasets and external contacts is shown in Table 3.2.47 below.
Data Processing level 1	1. Accuracy	DP.1.1.1	Uncertainty assessment for every data source not part of DS.1.1.1 as input to Data Storage level 2 in relation to type and scale of variability.	Sectoral	Uncertainties are estimated and references given in NID chapter 3.2.7.
	2.Comparability	DP.1.2.1	The methodologies have to follow the international guidelines suggested by UNFCCC and IPCC.	Sectoral	The methodological approach is consistent with international guidelines. An overview of tiers is given in NID Chapter 3.2.5.
	3.Completeness	DP.1.3.1	Identification of data gaps with regard to data sources that could improve quantitative knowledge.	Sectoral	The energy statistics (the basic data sheet) is considered complete. Total fuel consumption is based on the energy statistics whereas other data sources are used for specification of technology, subsectors, plant specific data etc.
	4.Consistency	DP.1.4.1	Documentation and reasoning of methodological changes during the time series and the qualitative assessment of the impact on time series consistency.	Sectoral	The three main methodological changes in the time series; 1) implementation of Energy Producers Survey (plant specific fuel consumption data) from 1994 onwards, 2) implementation of EU ETS data from 2006 onwards, and 3) implementation of EU ETS data for waste from 2013 are discussed in NID chapter 3.2.5 and 3.2.6.
	5.Correctness	DP.1.5.2	Verification of calculation results using time series.	Sectoral	Time series for activity data on SNAP and CRT source category level are used to identify possible errors. Time series for emission factors and the emission from CRT subcategories are also examined.

Level	CCP	Id	Description		Stationary combustion QC
		DP.1.5.3	Verification of calculation results using other measures.	Sectoral	The IPCC reference approach validates the fuel consumption rates and CO_2 emission. Except for 2016 both differ less than 2.0 % in 1990-2024. The reference approach is included in NID Chapter 3.4. The chapter gives an account of the differences between the national approach and the reference approach.
	7.Transparency	DP.1.7.1	The calculation principle, the equations used and the assumptions made must be described.	Sectoral	This is included in NID chapter 3.2.5.
		DP.1.7.2	Clear reference to dataset at Data Storage level 1.	Sectoral	This is included in NID chapter 3.2.5.
		DP.1.7.3	A manual log to collect information about recalculations.	Sectoral	A manual log is implemented in the emission database.
Data Storage level 2	5.Correctness	DS.2.5.1	Check if a correct data import to level 2 has been made.	Sectoral	To ensure a correct connection between data on level 2 and level 1, different controls are in place, e.g. control of sums and random tests.
Data Storage level 4	4.Consistency	DS.4.4.3	The IEFs from the CRT are checked both regarding level and trend. The level is compared to relevant emission factors to ensure correctness. Large dips/jumps in the time series are explained.	Sectoral	Large dips/jumps in time series are discussed and explained in NID chapter 3.2.3 and 3.2.4.
	5. Correctness	DS.4.5.2	Check that additional information and information related to land-use changes has been correctly aggregated compared to the individual submissions of Denmark and Greenland.	Sectoral	(Not relevant for stationary combustion)

Table 3.2.47 List of external data sources for stationary combustion.

Dataset	Data reference	Contact(s)	Description	Years included	Data agreement/ Comment
Energy Producers Survey	The Danish Energy Agency (DEA)	Kaj Stærkind	Dataset for all plants producing electricity and district heating for the public grids. For each production unit, the dataset includes the consumption of each fuel, production of heat and electricity, technology and year of installation. The dataset is regarded as complete for fuel consumption since the plants are obliged to report the data to DEA.	1994 onwards	Data agreement 2014.
Gas consumption for gas engines and gas turbines 1990-1993	The Danish Energy Agency (DEA)	Kaj Stærkind	Historical dataset for gas engines and gas turbines. For the years 1990-1994, DEA has estimated consumption of natural gas and biogas in gas engines and gas turbines (DEA, 2003). Estimated fuel consumption data for 1990-1993 was based on engine specific data for year of installation and for fuel consumption in 1994. The 1994 data were based on the Energy Producers Survey. DCE assesses that the DEA estimate is the best available data for 1990-1993.	1990-1993	No data agreement. Historical data.
Basic data	The Danish Energy Agency (DEA)	Carmela Moreno, Louise Hedelune Sørensen, Ali Zarnaghi	The Danish energy statistics. The dataset is applied for both the reference approach and the national approach. The spreadsheet from the Danish energy statistics (DEA) is used for the CO_2 emission calculation in accordance with the IPCC reference approach and is also the first dataset applied in the national approach.	1972 and 1975 onwards	Data agreement 2014. However, the dataset is also published as part of national energy statistics.
Energy statistics for industrial subsectors	The Danish Energy Agency (DEA)	Ali Zarnaghi	Disaggregation of the industrial fuel consumption. The data includes disaggregation of the fuel consumption for industrial plants. The dataset is estimated for the reporting to Eurostat. The data are included in the 2014 update of the agreement with DEA.		Included in data delivery agreement 2014.
Emission factors	See chapter regarding emission factors		Emission factors refer to a large number of sources. For specific references, see the Chapter 3.2.6 regarding emission factors. Some of the annually updated CO_2 emission factors are based on EU ETS data, see below.		Some of the annually updated CO_2 emission factors are based on EU ETS data and thus included in the data delivery agreement with DEA. For other emission factors there is no formal data delivery agreement.
Annual environmental reports / environmental data / PRTR	Various plants		Emissions from plants defined as large point sources. Some large plants are obligated to report annual environmental data including emission data to PRTR. In addition, some plants publish annual environmental reports. And finally, some plant owners non-compulsory report annual emission data to DCE.		No data agreement. Some plants are obligated to report data (DEPA, 2010b; DEPA, 2015) and data are published on the Danish EPA homepage.
EU ETS data	The Danish Energy Agency (DEA)	Rikke Brynaa Lintrup, Peter Louring Nielsen	Plant specific CO_2 emission factors and fuel consumption data. EU ETS data includes information on fuel consumption, heating values, carbon content of fuel, oxidation factor and CO_2 emissions. DCE receives the verified reports for all plants, which utilises a detailed estimation methodology. DCE's QC of the received data consists of comparing to calculation using standard emission factors as well as comparing reported values with those for previous years.		Plants are obligated by law. The availability of detailed information is part of the data agreement with DEA (2014 update).

Additional sector specific QC procedures

Some additional sector specific QC procedures are performed.

- Check of units for fuel rate, emission factors and plant-specific emissions.
- Check of emission factors for large point sources. Emission factors for pollutants that are not plant-specific should be the same as those defined for area sources.
- Additional checks on database consistency.
- Emission factor references are included in NID Chapter 3.2.6.
- Most country-specific emission factors are based on input from companies that have implemented some QA/QC work. The major power plant owner/operator in Denmark, Ørsted (former DONG Energy) has obtained the ISO 14001 certification for an environmental management system. The Danish Gas Technology Centre and Force Technology both run accredited laboratories for emission measurements.

Sector specific verification

The IPCC reference approach for CO_2 emission is the primary verification of the CO_2 emission from the energy sector. The reference approach for the energy sector is shown in NID Chapter 3.4.

In addition, as part of the EU review of the reported GHG emission data, EU performs for each member state a comparison of Eurostat energy data in terms of TJ with energy data provided in the CRT. The comparison has been performed in accordance with the Commission implementing regulation (EU) No 749/2014 of 30 June 2014 and with the IPCC Guidelines (2006). The latest comparison included comparisons of the reference approach (RA) and the sectoral approach (SA) for the years 2005 and 2008-2024. The comparison of fuel consumption data in CRT and energy statistics from Eurostat is the latest sector report (Nielsen, 2026) for the years 2005 and 2008-2023.

Finally, a verification of the Danish GHG emission inventories has been published by Fauser et al. (2013).

National external review for stationary combustion

The 2004, 2006, 2009, 2014, 2018 and 2021 updates of the sector report for stationary combustion have been reviewed by external experts (Nielsen & Illerup, 2004; Nielsen & Illerup, 2006; Nielsen et al., 2009, Nielsen et al., 2014; Nielsen et al., 2018; Nielsen, 2021). The national external review forms a vital part of the QA activities for stationary combustion.

The 2004, 2006, 2009, 2014, 2018 and 2021 updates of this report were reviewed by Jan Erik Johnsson from the Technical University of Denmark, Bo Sander from Elsam Engineering, Annemette Geertinger from FORCE Technology, Vibeke Vestergaard Nielsen, AU DCE, energy statistics experts from the Danish Energy Agency and Jytte Boll Illerup, The Danish Environmental Protection Agency.

An updated report reviewed by Peter Louring Nielsen from the Danish Energy Agency will be published in 2026.

3.2.8 Source specific recalculations and improvements

Emission data for CO_2, CH_4 and N_2O reported this year have been compared to emissions reported last year. Table 3.2.48 shows recalculations for CO_2,

CH_4 and N_2O. The recalculation of CO_2 emission from stationary combustion is +0.00 % for 1990 and -0.93 % for 2023. The recalculation of CH_4 emission from stationary combustion is +0.05 % for 1990 and -1.11 % for 2023. The recalculation of N_2O emission from stationary combustion is +0.78 % for 1990 and -2.43 % for 2023.

Table 3.2.48 Recalculations. GHG emissions reported this year compared to emissions reported last year.

GHG	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
CO_2	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
CH_4	100.05	100.05	100.05	100.04	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
N_2O	100.78	100.78	100.86	100.92	100.87	100.84	100.76	100.82	100.75	100.76

GHG	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
CO_2	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
CH_4	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
N_2O	100.97	101.03	101.05	101.17	101.07	100.97	100.72	100.71	100.40	100.07

GHG	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
CO_2	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.05	99.85
CH_4	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.06	99.99	99.98	100.00	99.97	100.01	99.93
N_2O	99.75	99.47	99.14	98.96	98.95	98.01	97.44	97.68	97.93	97.67

GHG	2020	2021	2022	2023
	%	%	%	%
CO_2	100.00	100.12	99.64	99.07
CH_4	100.01	100.19	98.65	98.89
N_2O	97.85	98.19	97.45	97.57

Fuel consumption and emissions from stationary combustion plants have been recalculated based on revisions in the Danish energy statistics, revised emission factors, and implementation of additional plant specific emission data.

Revised energy statistics

For stationary combustion plants, the emission estimates for the years 1990-2023 have been updated according to the latest energy statistics published by the Danish Energy Agency. The changes in the energy statistics are largest for the years 2021, 2022 and 2023. Revisions are reported as part of the energy statistics.

The fuel consumption has been revised for a large number of fuels for 2023, including natural gas, biomethane, waste, wood, and gas oil. Minor revisions of the disaggregation to subsectors have also been implemented for most fuels.

The consumption of waste has been updated for 2018-2023 according to a revised time series for NCV for waste. The increasing waste separation in later years has caused changes in the waste fractions in incinerated waste. Thus, the Danish Energy Agency has collected plant specific data for NCV and updated both NCV and the fossil waste fraction of the energy content of incinerated waste for 2018-2023.

A minor adjustment of the biomethane share of the gridded gas have been implemented for 2023.

The consumption of natural gas and biomethane for upgrading of biogas to the natural gas grid have been moved from Commercial/Institutional plants[28] to the energy sector in energy statistics. This correction has been implemented for all years with biogas upgrading (2014 onwards).

For gas oil, the disaggregation between mobile sources and stationary combustion has been revised. This revision is based on recalculated data for mobile sources.

The distribution of fuel consumption between different industries have been revised based on data from Statistics Denmark. This data set was not implemented in former emission inventories. The data from Statistics Denmark has been applied for 2017 – 2024, whereas the distribution for 1990 – 2016 is based on the data received from the Danish Energy Agency last year. The distribution to industrial industries from the Danish Energy Agency is based on data from Statistics Denmark, but data are added for some fuel types.

Revised emission factors

The CO_2-emission factors for waste have been updated according to the updated NCV for waste and EU ETS-data.

The emission factor for CO_2 for wood has been updated for 2023. This emission factor is aggregated based on different wood types with different CO_2 emission factors. The updated emission factor reflects the recalculations in the Danish energy statistics, whereas the CO_2 emission factors for the different wood types are unchanged.

The N_2O emission factor for residential wood combustion have been revised for all years. The revised emission factor time series is based on a literature survey.

Implementation of additional plant specific data

The N_2O emission factor has been revised for two large plants for 2014 and 2016. The emission data were measured but were not implemented in the inventory reported last year.

Recalculations for 1990 and 2023

Detailed data for recalculation are shown for 1990 and 2023 in Table 3.2.49 and Table 3.2.450. The recalculations are explained below.

[28] The sectors Wholesale, Retail trade, Private service, and Public service in the Danish energy statistics.

Table 3.2.49 Recalculation for stationary combustion, 1990.

1990	CO_2 kt	CH_4 t	N_2O t
1A1 Energy industries	0.000	0.000	0.000
1A1a Public electricity and heat production	0.000	0.000	0.000
1A1b Petroleum refining	0.000	0.000	0.000
1A1c Oil and gas extraction and biogas upgrading	0.000	0.000	0.000
1A2 Industry	0.000	-0.016	-0.002
1A2a Iron and steel	0.000	0.000	0.000
1A2b Non-ferrous metals	0.000	0.000	0.000
1A2c Chemicals	0.000	0.000	0.000
1A2d Pulp, Paper and Print	0.000	0.000	0.000
1A2e Food processing, beverages and tobacco	0.000	-0.023	-0.002
1A2f Non-metallic minerals	0.426	0.044	0.006
1A2gviii Other manufacturing industry	-0.426	-0.037	-0.005
1A4 Other sectors	0.000	3.931	4.833
1A4ai Commercial/institutional: Stationary	0.000	0.000	0.000
1A4bi Residential: Stationary	0.000	0.000	4.807
1A4ci Agriculture/Forestry/Fishing: Stationary	0.000	3.931	0.026
Stationary combustion	**0.000**	**3.915**	**4.832**
Stationary combustion, %	**0.00%**	**0.05%**	**0.78%**

Table 3.2.50 Recalculation for stationary combustion, 2023.

2023	CO_2 kt	CH_4 t	N_2O t
1A1 Energy industries	99.89	14.82	5.19
1A1a Public electricity and heat production	-0.23	11.98	2.34
1A1b Petroleum refining	-0.69	0.00	0.00
1A1c Oil and gas extraction and biogas upgrading	100.81	2.84	2.84
1A2 Industry	-45.10	-42.19	4.71
1A2a Iron and steel	4.56	0.25	0.28
1A2b Non-ferrous metals	0.00	0.00	0.00
1A2c Chemicals	12.05	0.03	-0.30
1A2d Pulp, Paper and Print	24.60	2.88	2.07
1A2e Food processing, beverages and tobacco	40.85	-50.53	-0.34
1A2f Non-metallic minerals	-55.63	-1.13	-1.35
1A2gviii Other manufacturing industry	-71.53	6.30	4.35
1A4 Other sectors	-151.27	-58.63	-22.81
1A4ai Commercial/institutional: Stationary	-139.37	-28.55	-3.85
1A4bi Residential: Stationary	-13.38	-0.82	-18.90
1A4ci Agriculture/Forestry/Fishing: Stationary	1.49	-29.26	-0.05
Stationary combustion	**-96.47**	**-86.00**	**-12.91**
Stationary combustion, %	**-0.93%**	**-1.11%**	**-2.43%**

The recalculations for 1990 are small. The emission of N_2O is higher than estimated last year. The increase is in residential plants and is a result of the revised emission factor for N_2O from residential wood combustion. The increased CH_4 emission from agricultural plants is a result of a more correct disaggregation between boilers and gas engines in the reporting this year. The CH_4 emission factor for engines is much higher than for boilers.

The recalculations for fossil CO_2 emission in 2023 is -0.93%. The decrease is mainly a result of:

- The lower consumption of natural gas in the updated energy statistics. The consumption is 2538 TJ lower corresponding to 145 kt CO_2.
- The emission estimate for fossil waste is revised due to both improved NCV data for waste and the improved emission factor for fossil waste

that was implemented this year. This results in a 44 kt increase in the estimated CO_2-emission.
- The revised energy statistics data for gas oil and the revised disaggregation between mobile sources and stationary combustion. The consumption is 60 TJ higher corresponding to a 4 kt increase of CO_2-emission.

For sector *1A1c Oil and gas extraction and biogas upgrading* the fuel consumption for upgrading have been implemented in sector 1A1c in the energy statistics. As mentioned above this fuel consumption was included in 1A4a Commercial/Institutional plants last year. The fuel consumption was 1764 TJ natural gas and 1080 TJ biomethane in 2023. The fossil CO_2-emission from the upgrading corresponds to 100.8 kt CO_2. This is in agreement with the recalculation for sector 1A1c.

The implementation of a data set from Statistics Denmark has resulted in improved disaggregation of fuels between industrial subsectors.

The recalculation for CH_4 emission in 2023 is -1.11%. The decrease is mainly a result of revised fuel consumption data for biogas applied in gas engines. The CH_4 emission factors for gas engines is much higher than for other technologies. The fuel consumption of natural gas and biomethane (added value) applied in gas engines is also lower in the updated energy statistics and this also contributes to the decreased estimate for CH_4-emission.

The recalculation for N_2O emission in 2023 is -2.43%. The decrease is mainly a result of a decrease for residential wood combustion. The revised N_2O emission factor for wood applied in residential plants for 2023 is lower than the emission factor applied last year, and this explains the 19 t decrease for residential plants. A small increase of emission from waste incineration is a result of the higher fuel consumption in the revised energy statistics.

3.2.9 Response to the review process

The latest review report *Report on the technical expert review of the first biennial transparency report of Denmark, Addendum (UNFCCC, 2025)* did not include any *Areas of improvements* related to stationary combustion.

3.2.10 Category specific planned improvements

The documentation related to the energy statistics for industrial subsectors from Statistics Denmark will be improved.

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3.3 Transport and other mobile sources

The emission inventory basis for mobile sources is fuel consumption information from the Danish energy statistics. In addition, background data for road transport (fleet and mileage), air traffic (aircraft type, flight numbers, origin and destination airports), national sea transport (fuel surveys, ferry technical data, number of return trips, sailing time), fisheries (vessel technical data, hours at sea), railways (e.g. train technical data, number of train kilometer) and non-road machinery (engine no., engine size, load factor and annual working hours) are used to make the emission estimates sufficiently detailed. Emission data mainly comes from the EMEP/EEA Air Pollutant Emission Inventory Guidebook (EMEP/EEA, 2025). However, for railways, measurements specific to Denmark are used.

In the Danish emissions database, all activity rates and emissions are defined in SNAP sector categories (Selected Nomenclature for Air Pollution) according to the CORINAIR system. The emission inventories are prepared from a complete emission database based on the SNAP sectors. The aggregation to the sector codes used for both the UNFCCC and UNECE Conventions is based on a correspondence list between SNAP and IPCC classification codes (CRF), shown in Table 3.3.1 (mobile sources only).

Table 3.3.1 SNAP – CRF correspondence table for transport.

SNAP classification	CRF/NFR classification
0701 Road traffic: Passenger cars	1A3bi Road transport: Passenger cars
0702 Road traffic: Light duty vehicles	1A3bii Road transport: Light duty vehicles
0703 Road traffic: Heavy duty vehicles	1A3biii Road transport: Heavy duty vehicles
0704/0705 Road traffic: Mopeds and motorcycles	1A3biv Road transport: Mopeds & motorcycles
0706 Road traffic: Evaporation	1A3bv Road transport: Evaporation
0707 Road traffic: Brake and tire wear	1A3bvi Road transport: Brake and tire wear
0708 Road traffic: Road abrasion	1A3bvii Road transport: Road abrasion
0801 Military	1A5b Other, Mobile
0802 Railways	1A3c Railways
080204 Train contact wire wear	1A3c Railways
080205 Wheel and rail wear	1A3c Railways
080206 Brake wear	1A3c Railways
0803 Inland waterways	1A5b Other, Mobile
080402 National sea traffic	1A3dii National navigation (Shipping)
080403 National fishing	1A4ciii Agriculture/Forestry/Fishing: National fishing
080404 International sea traffic	1A3di (i) International navigation (Shipping)
080501 Dom. airport traffic (LTO < 1000 m)	1A3aii (i) Civil aviation (Domestic, LTO
080502 Int. airport traffic (LTO < 1000 m)	1A3ai (i) Civil aviation (International, LTO)
080503 Dom. cruise traffic (> 1000 m)	1A3aii (ii) Civil aviation (Domestic, Cruise)
080504 Int. cruise traffic (> 1000 m)	1A3ai (ii) Civil aviation (International, Cruise)
080505 Dom. airport traffic (tyre and brake wear)	1A3aii (i) Civil aviation (Domestic, LTO
080506 Int. airport traffic (tyre and brake wear)	1A3ai (i) Civil aviation (International, LTO)
0806 Agriculture	1A4cii Agriculture/Forestry/Fishing: Off-road agriculture/forestry
0807 Forestry	1A4cii Agriculture/Forestry/Fishing: Off-road agriculture/forestry
0808 Industry	1A2gvii Manufacturing industries/Construction (mobile)
0809 Household and gardening	1A4bii Residential: Household and gardening (mobile)
0811 Commercial and institutional	1A4aii Commercial/Institutional: Mobile

Military transport activities (land and air) refer to the CRF/NFR sector Other (1A5), the latter sector also including recreational craft (SNAP code 0803).

Road traffic evaporation, brake and tire wear, and road abrasion (SNAP codes 0706, 0707 and 0708), train contact wire wear, wheel and rail wear and brake wear (SNAP codes 080204, 080205 and 080206) and domestic and international aviation tyre and brake wear (SNAP codes 080505 and 080506) are not a part of the CRF list since no greenhouse gases are emitted from these sources.

Emissions from lubricants during use are reported under 2D3 as per the UNFCCC reporting guidelines. All pipeline compressors on the natural gas grid are electric compressors. Hence fuel consumption and emissions are NO in the sector 1A3ei Pipeline transport.

Two-stroke engines in road transport are only relevant for mopeds and motorcycles (and the odd veteran vehicle) and even in these categories four-stroke engines have gained popularity in part due to environmental considerations. The Danish energy statistics only include lubricants for non-energy purposes and any consumption in two-stroke mopeds/motorcycles will be negligible and fall far below the threshold of significance.

For aviation, LTO (Landing and Take Off)[1] refers to the part of flying which is below 1000 m. This part of the aviation emissions (SNAP codes 080501 and 080502) is included in the national emissions total as prescribed by the UNECE reporting rules. According to UNFCCC, the national emissions for aviation comprise the emissions from domestic LTO (0805010) and domestic cruise (080503). The fuel consumption and emission development explained in the following are based on these latter results.

Agricultural and forestry non-road machinery (SNAP codes 0806 and 0807) is accounted for in the Agriculture/forestry (1A4cii) sector. Fishing activities (SNAP code 080403) regardless of vessel flag is reported under 1A4ciii.

For mobile sources, the DEMOS (Danish Emission model system for Mobile Sources) model developed at DCE, Aarhus University, is used to calculate the emission inventories. The DEMOS model system comprises database models for road transport (DEMOS-Road), aviation (DEMOS-Aviation), navigation (DEMOS-Navigation), railways (DEMOS-Rail) and non-road mobile machinery (DEMOS-NRMM).

For emission reporting purposes the output results from DEMOS are calculated in a SNAP format, as activity rates (fuel consumption) and emission factors, which are then exported directly to the central Danish CollectER database.

Apart from national inventories, the DEMOS model is used also as a calculation tool in research projects, environmental impact assessment studies, and to produce basic emission information, which requires various aggregation levels.

A Key Category Analysis (KCA) approach 1 and approach 2 for the years 1990 and 2024 and for the trend 1990-2024 for Denmark has been carried out in accordance with the IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006). Table 3.3.2 shows the 12 mobile source categories. The table is based on the analysis including LULUCF. The full key category analysis for Denmark is shown in NIR Chapter 1.5 and Annex 1.

Mobile sources include quite many key categories in the case of CO_2. Most notably, road transport and non-road mobile machinery in industry and agriculture are key sources in 1990 and 2024 and for the emission trend in both the approach 1 and approach 2 analysis.

CH_4 is not a key category in any case for mobile sources. Finally, due to the relatively high uncertainty for N_2O, emission factors the N_2O emission from a few emission sources are also key categories in the approach 2 analysis.

[1]A LTO cycle consists of the flying modes approach/descent, taxiing, take off and climb out. In principle, the actual times-in-modes rely on the actual traffic circumstances, the airport configuration, and the aircraft type in question.

Table 3.3.2 Key category overview[2], mobile sources.

		Approach 1			Approach 2		
		1990	2024	1990-2024	1990	2024	1990-2024
1.A.2.g Industry (mobile)	CO_2	Level	Level	Trend	Level	Level	Trend
1.A.3.a Civil aviation	CO_2	Level	Level				
1.A.3.b Road Transport	CO_2	Level	Level	Trend	Level	Level	Trend
1.A.3.c Railways	CO_2	Level	Level				
1.A.3.d Navigation (large vessels)	CO_2	Level	Level	Trend	Level	Level	
1.A.4.a Commercial/Institutional (mobile)	CO_2		Level	Trend		Level	Trend
1.A.4.b Residential (mobile)	CO_2						
1.A.4.c ii Agriculture (mobile)	CO_2	Level	Level	Trend	Level	Level	Trend
1.A.4.c ii Forestry (mobile)	CO_2						
1.A.4.c iii Fisheries	CO_2	Level	Level				
1.A.5.b Other (military)	CO_2						
1.A.5.b Other (small boats)	CO_2						
1.A.2.g Industry (mobile)	CH_4						
1.A.3.a Civil aviation	CH_4						
1.A.3.b Road Transport	CH_4						
1.A.3.c Railways	CH_4						
1.A.3.d Navigation (large vessels)	CH_4						
1.A.4.a Commercial/Institutional (mobile)	CH_4						
1.A.4.b Residential (mobile)	CH_4						
1.A.4.c ii Agriculture (mobile)	CH_4						
1.A.4.c ii Forestry (mobile)	CH_4						
1.A.4.c iii Fisheries	CH_4						
1.A.5.b Other (military)	CH_4						
1.A.5.b Other (small boats)	CH_4						
1.A.2.g Industry (mobile)	N_2O					Level	Trend
1.A.3.a Civil aviation	N_2O						
1.A.3.b Road Transport	N_2O		Level	Trend		Level	Trend
1.A.3.c Railways	N_2O						
1.A.3.d Navigation (large vessels)	N_2O						
1.A.4.a Commercial/Institutional (mobile)	N_2O						
1.A.4.b Residential (mobile)	N_2O						
1.A.4.c ii Agriculture (mobile)	N_2O					Level	Trend
1.A.4.c ii Forestry (mobile)	N_2O						
1.A.4.c iii Fisheries	N_2O						
1.A.5.b Other (military)	N_2O						

3.3.1 Source category description

The following description of source categories explains the development in fuel consumption and emissions for road transport and other mobile sources.

Total fuel consumption for mobile sources

Table 3.3.3 shows the fuel consumption for mobile sources based on DEA statistics for 2024 in CRF sectors (DEA, 2025a). The fuel consumption figures in time series 1985-2024 are given in Annex 2.B.16 (CRF format) and are shown for 2024 in Annex 2.B.15 (CollectER format). Road transport has a major share of the fuel consumption for mobile sources. In 2024, this sector's fuel consumption share is 79 %, while the fuel consumption shares for Off road agriculture/forestry, Manufacturing industries (mobile) and National navigation are 5 %, 5 %

[2] For Denmark, not including Greenland & Faroe Island. Based on the KCA including LULUCF.

and 3 %, respectively. For the remaining sectors, the total fuel consumption share is 8 %.

Table 3.3.3 Fuel consumption (PJ) for domestic mobile sources in 2024 in CRF sectors.

CRF ID	Fuel consumption (PJ)
Manufacturing industries/Construction (mobile)	9.2
Civil aviation (Domestic)	1.7
Road transport: Passenger cars	78.4
Road transport:Light duty vehicles	23.6
Road transport:Heavy duty vehicles	40.1
Road transport: Mopeds & motorcycles	0.9
Railways	2.4
National navigation (Shipping)	5.5
Commercial/Institutional: Mobile	2.3
Residential: Household and gardening (mobile)	0.3
Agriculture/Forestry/Fishing: Off-road agriculture/forestry	9.2
Agriculture/Forestry/Fishing: National fishing	4.5
Other. Mobile	2.2
Road transport total	143.1
Other mobile total	37.3
Domestic total	180.4
Civil aviation (International)	40.0
Navigation (international)	42.8

From 1990 to 2024, diesel (sum of diesel and biodiesel) and gasoline (sum of neat gasoline and bio ethanol) fuel consumption have changed by 35 % and - 26 %, respectively (Figure 3.3.1), and in 2024 the fuel consumption shares for diesel and gasoline were 69 % and 29 %, respectively (not shown). Other fuels only have a 2 % share of the domestic mobile sources total (Figures 3.3.2). Almost all gasoline is used in road transportation vehicles. Gardening machinery and recreational craft are merely small consumers. Regarding diesel, there is considerable fuel consumption in most of the domestic mobile sources categories, whereas a more limited use of residual oil and jet fuel is being used in the navigation sector and by aviation (civil and military flights), respectively[3].

[3] The gasoline and diesel fuel sold at the conventional gas filling stations contain bio ethanol and biodiesel. Small amounts of gasoline and diesel are bought by individuals at the gas stations, filled into fuel cans and subsequently used to propel gasoline working machines (gasoline) and recreational craft (gasoline and diesel).

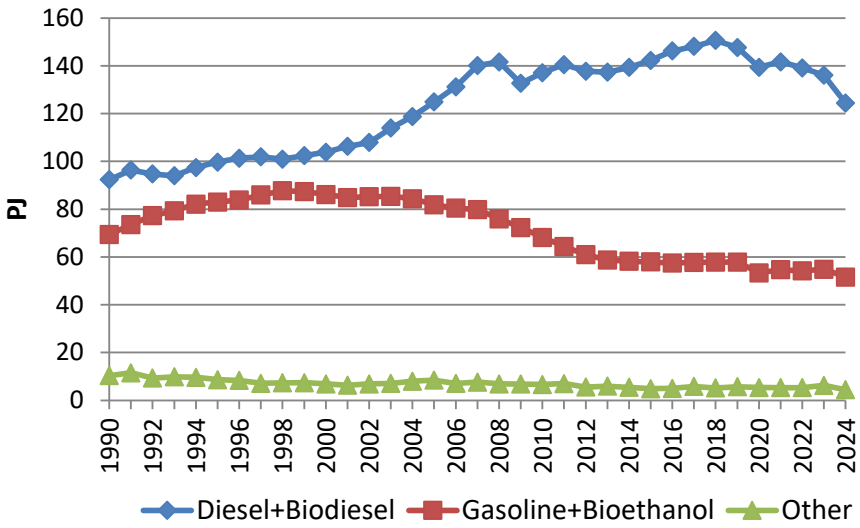


Figure 3.3.1 Fuel consumption per fuel type for domestic mobile sources 1990-2024.

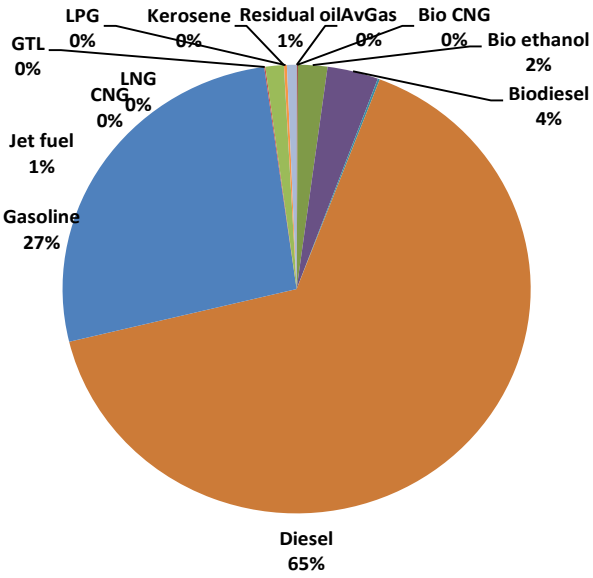


Figure 3.3.2 Fuel consumption share per fuel type for domestic mobile sources in 2024.

Fuel consumption for road transport

As shown in Figure 3.3.3, the fuel consumption for road transport[4] has generally increased until 2007, except from a small fuel consumption decline noted in 2000. Significant fuel consumption declines are noted for 2008- 2009 during the global financial crisis, in 2020 during the periods with COVID-19 lock down and social restrictions in the Danish society, and in 2024 due to a notable decrease in fuel purchase in Denmark made by border-crossing transport. Within sub-sectors, passenger cars represent the most fuel-consuming vehicle category, followed by heavy-duty vehicles, light duty vehicles and 2-wheelers, in decreasing order (Figure 3.3.4).

[4] The sum share of bioethanol and biodiesel in the gasoline and diesel fuel blends for road transport is 6.8 %, in 2024.

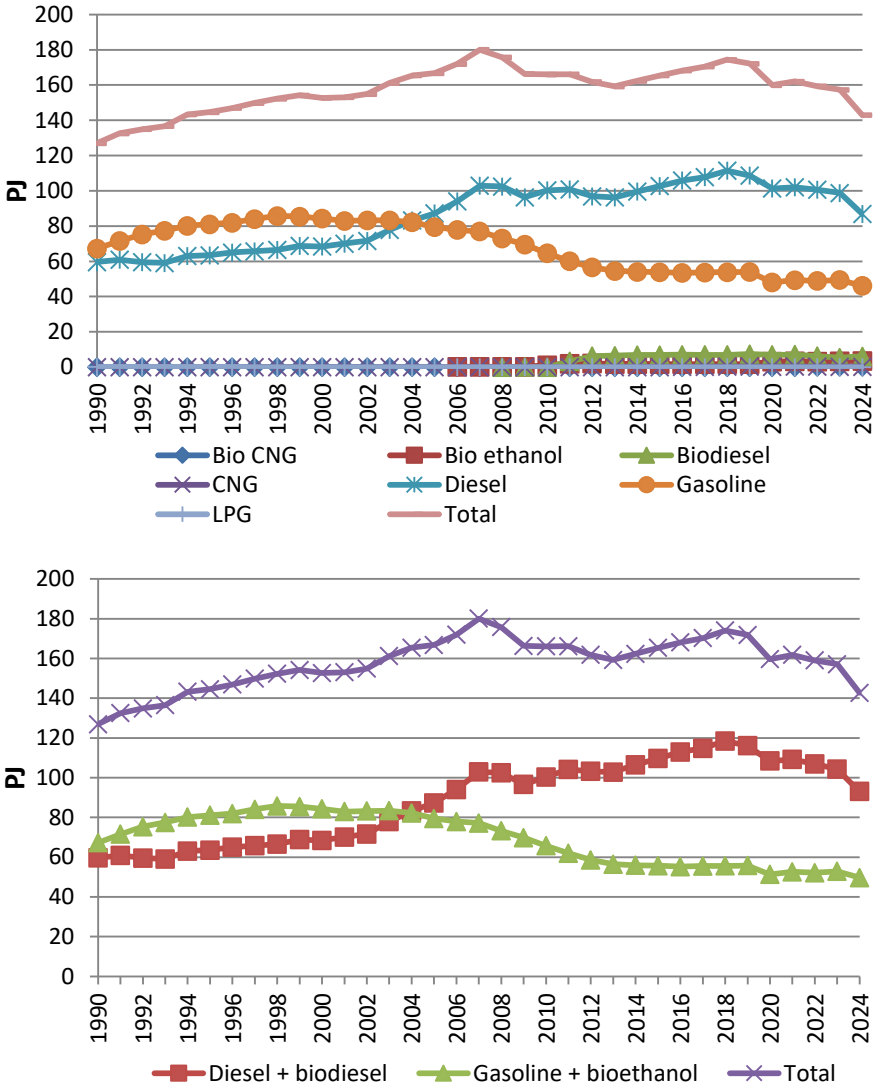


Figure 3.3.3 Fuel consumption per fuel type and as totals for road transport 1990-2024.

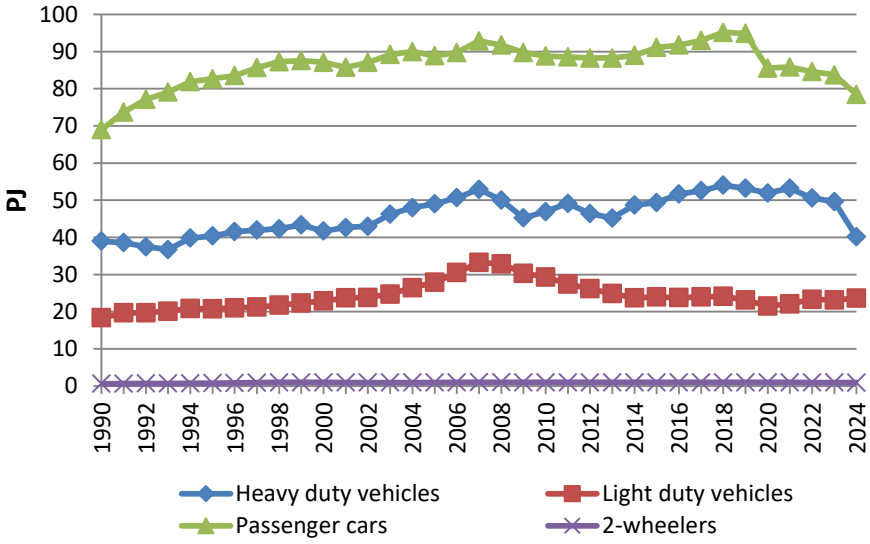


Figure 3.3.4 Total fuel consumption per vehicle type for road transport 1990-2024.

As shown in Figure 3.3.5, fuel consumption for gasoline passenger cars dominates the overall gasoline consumption trend. The development in diesel fuel

consumption in recent years (Figure 3.3.6) is characterised by increasing fuel consumption for diesel passenger cars until 2018, and fuel consumption declines from 2019 onwards, while declines in the fuel consumption for trucks and buses (heavy-duty vehicles) are noted for 2008- 2009, 2012-2013, 2019-2020 and 2021-2024, and fuel consumption reductions for light duty vehicles are noted for 2008-2014 and 2019-2020.

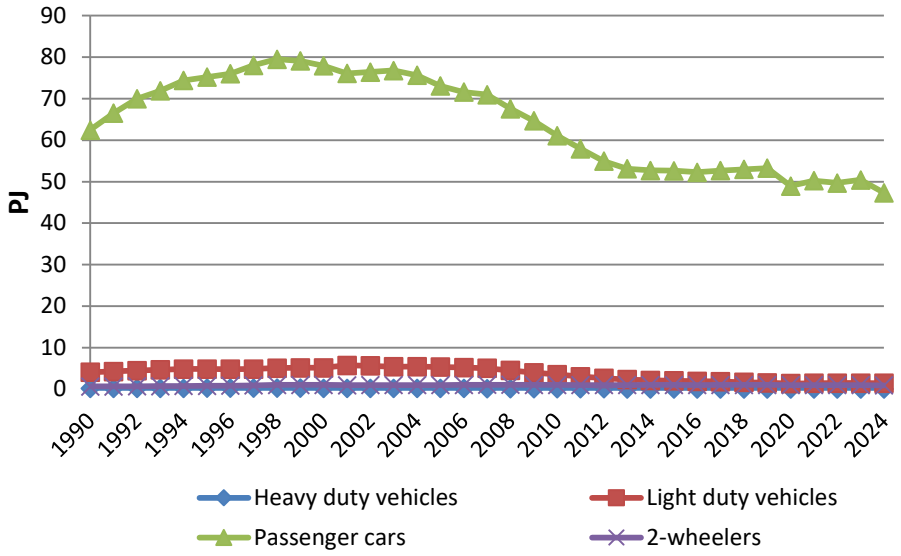


Figure 3.3.5 Gasoline fuel consumption per vehicle type for road transport 1990-2024.

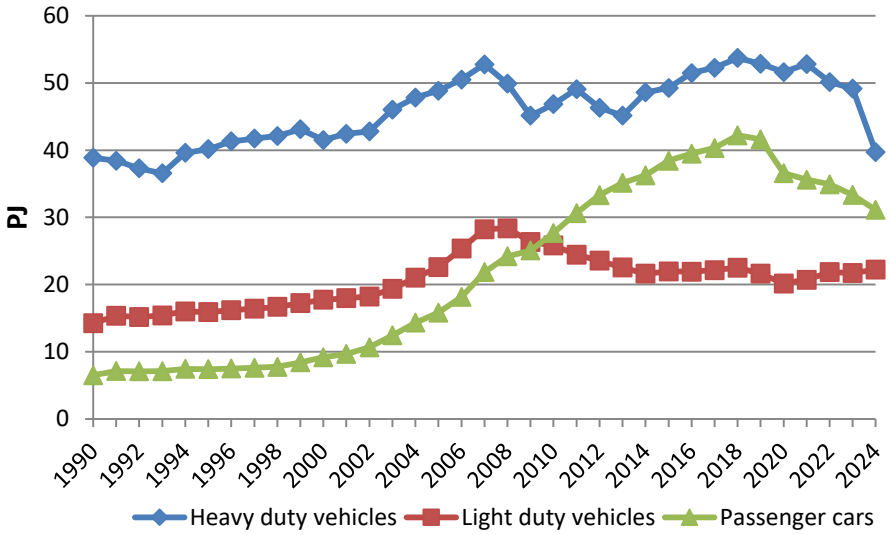


Figure 3.3.6 Diesel fuel consumption per vehicle type for road transport 1990-2024.

In 2024, fuel consumption shares for gasoline passenger cars, diesel heavy-duty vehicles, diesel passenger cars and diesel light duty vehicles were 33, 28, 22 and 15 %, respectively (Figure 3.3.7).

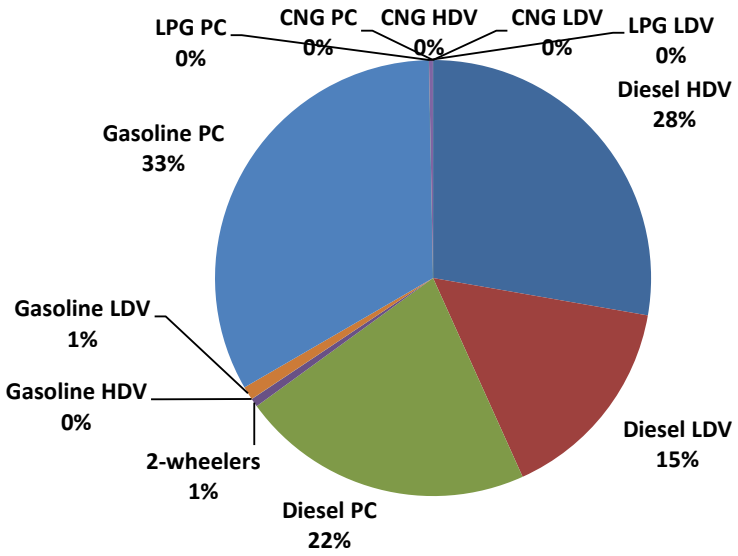


Figure 3.3.7 Fuel consumption shares per vehicle type for road transport in 2024.

Fuel consumption for other mobile sources

It must be noted that the fuel consumption figures behind the Danish inventory for mobile equipment in the agriculture, forestry, industry, household and gardening (residential), and inland waterways (part of navigation) sectors, are less certain than for other mobile sectors. For these types of machinery, the DEA statistical figures do not directly provide fuel consumption information, and fuel consumption totals are subsequently estimated from activity data and fuel consumption factors. For recreational craft the latest historical year is 2004.

As seen in Figure 3.3.8, classified according to CRF the most important sectors are Agriculture/forestry/fisheries (1A4c), Industry-other (mobile machinery part of 1A2g) and Navigation (1A3d). Minor fuel consuming sectors are Civil Aviation (1A3a), Railways (1A3c), Other (military mobile and recreational craft: 1A5b), Commercial/institutional (1A4a) and Residential (1A4b).

The 1990-2024 time series are shown per fuel type in Figures 3.3.9-3.3.12 for diesel, gasoline, residual oil and jet fuel, and liquefied natural gas (LNG) and gas-to-liquid (GTL) manufactured from natural gas, respectively.

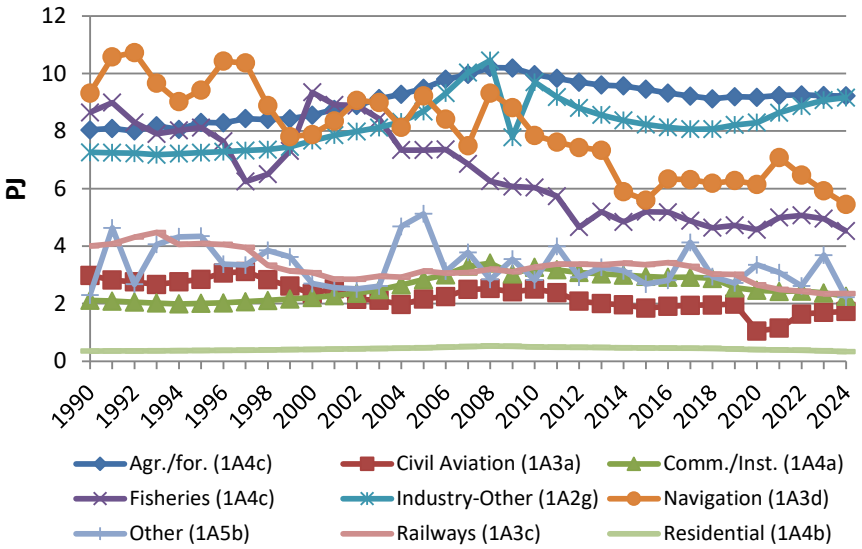


Figure 3.3.8 Total fuel consumption in CRF sectors for other mobile sources 1990-2024.

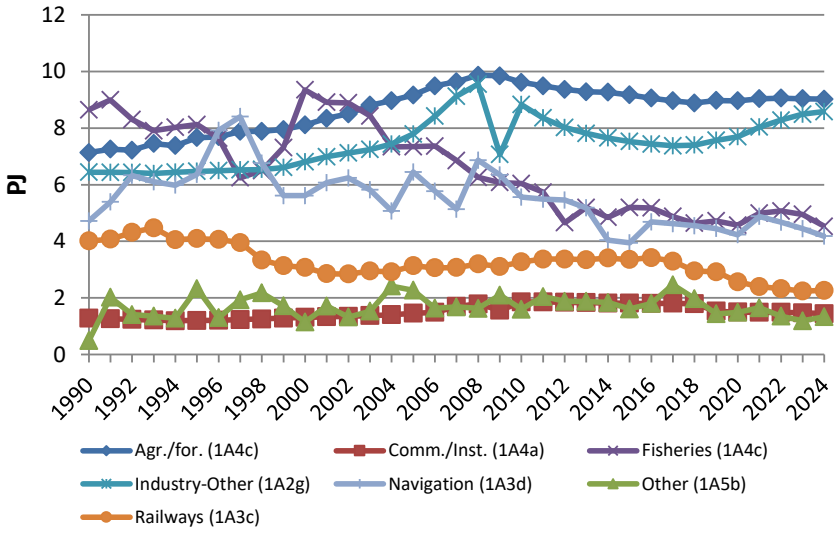


Figure 3.3.9 Diesel fuel consumption in CRF sectors for other mobile sources 1990-2024.

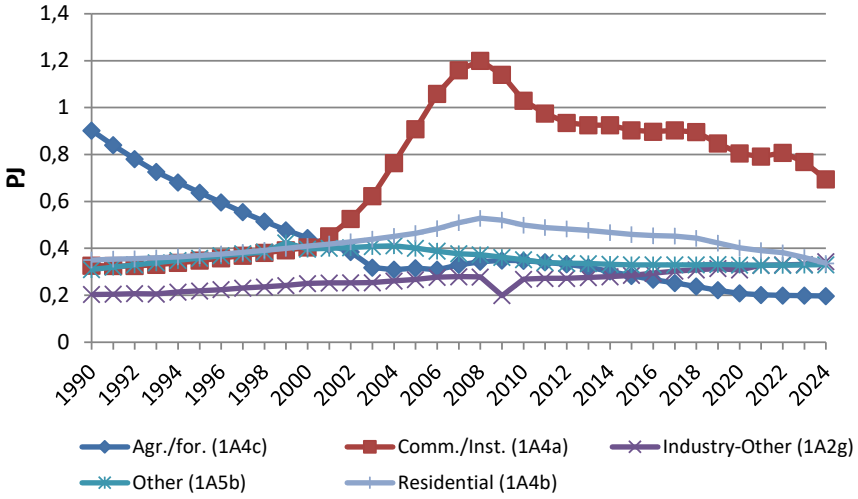


Figure 3.3.10 Gasoline fuel consumption in CRF sectors for other mobile source 1990-2024.

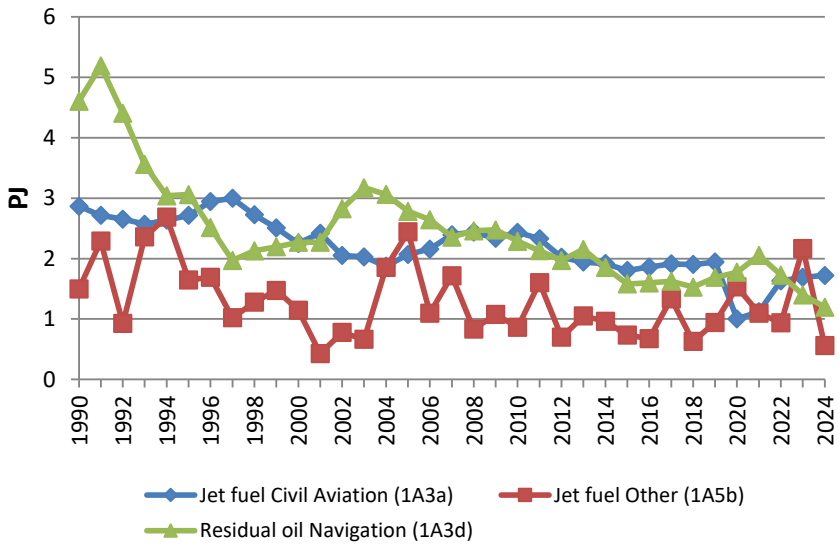


Figure 3.3.11 Residual oil and jet fuel consumption in CRF sectors for other mobile sources 1990-2024.

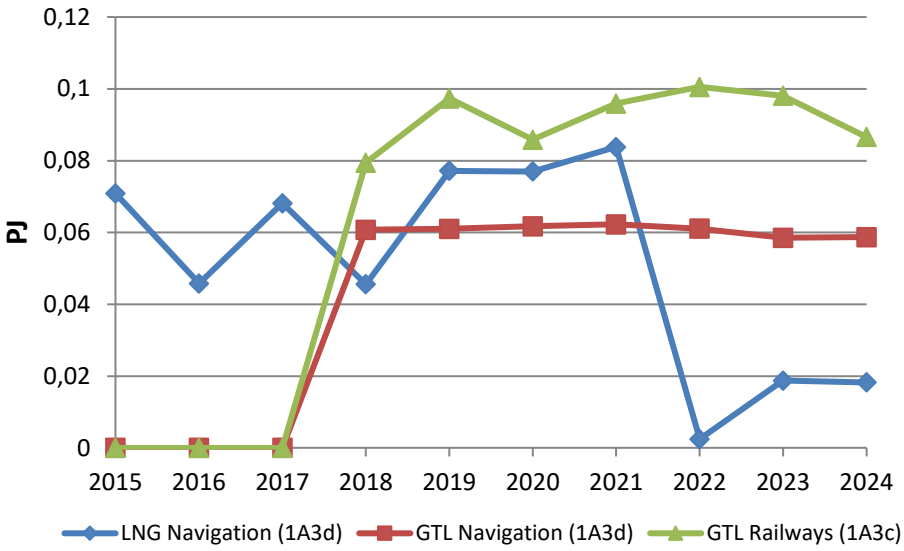


Figure 3.3.12 LNG and GTL fuel consumption in CRF sectors for other mobile sources 1990-2024.

For diesel, although the number of tractors and harvesters decrease in the entire period 1985-2020, the contemporary increase in the engine sizes of new sold machines makes the total fuel consumption for Agriculture/forestry grow until 2008. The turnover of old less fuel-efficient machinery and the decline in the number of tractors and harvesters explain the decrease in fuel consumption from 2008 to 2018.

The fuel consumption for industry has increased from the beginning of the 1990's, due to an increase in the activities for construction machinery. The fuel consumption increase has been very pronounced in 2005-2008, for 2009; however, the global financial crisis has a significant impact on the building and construction activities. The fuel efficiency improvements for new sold machinery are the main reason for total fuel consumption decline from 2010-2018. For fisheries, the development in fuel consumption reflects the activities in this sector.

The Navigation sector comprises national sea transport (fuel consumption between two Danish ports including sea travel directly between Denmark and Greenland/Faroe Islands). For national sea transport, the diesel fuel consumption curve reflects the combination of traffic and ferries in use for regional ferries. In 1998 and 1999, a significant decline in fuel consumption is apparent. The most important explanation here is the closing of ferry service routes in connection with the opening of the Great Belt Bridge in 1997.

For railways, the gradual shift towards electrification explains the lowering trend in diesel fuel consumption and the emissions for this transport sector. The fuel consumed (and associated emissions) to produce electricity is accounted for in the stationary combustion part of the Danish inventories.

The largest gasoline fuel consumption is calculated for the Commercial/Institutional (1A4a) sector related to the use of household and gardening machinery. For these types of machinery, a somewhat smaller gasoline fuel consumption is calculated for the Residential (1A4b) sector. For household and gardening equipment, especially from 2001-2006, a significant fuel consumption increase is apparent due to considerable growth in the machinery stock. The gasoline fuel consumption development for Agriculture/forestry/fisheries (1A4c) is due to the gradual phasing out of gasoline-fuelled agricultural tractors until

2005 and the gradual increase in new sales of ATV's from the mid 2000's until 2011, followed by a decrease in new sales of ATV's from 2011 forward.

In terms of residual oil, there has been a substantial decrease in the fuel consumption for regional ferries. The fuel consumption decline is most significant from 1991-1994, from 1995-1997 and from 2021-2024.

The considerable variations from one year to another in military jet fuel consumption are due to planning and budgetary reasons, and the passing demand for flying activities. Consequently, for some years, a certain amount of jet fuel stock-building might disturb the real picture of aircraft fuel consumption. Civil aviation has decreased until 2004, since the opening of the Great Belt Bridge in 1997, both in terms of number of flights and total jet fuel consumption. From 2011 to 2012, the total consumption of jet fuel decreased significantly due to a drop in the number of domestic flights, and in 2020 a huge decline in jet fuel consumption is noted due to the impact of Covid 19 on flight travel demand.

From 2015 onwards a small amount of LNG has been used by domestic ferries, and from 2018 onwards GTL has been used by a few domestic ferries and private railway lines.

Fuel consumption for international transport

The residual oil and diesel oil fuel consumption fluctuations reflect the quantity of fuel sold in Denmark to international ferries, international warships, other ships with foreign destinations, transport to Greenland and the Faroe Islands, tank vessels and foreign fishing boats. For jet petrol, the sudden fuel consumption drop in 2002 is explained by the recession in the aviation sector due to the events of September 11, 2001 and structural changes in the aviation business. In 2009, the impact of the global financial crisis on flying activities becomes very visible, and in 2020 a huge decline in jet fuel consumption is noted due to the impact of COVID-19 on flight travel demand.

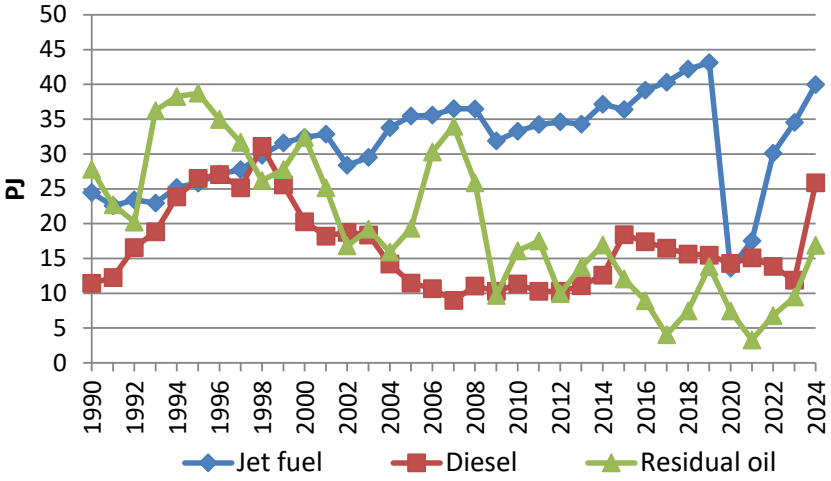


Figure 3.3.13 Bunker fuel consumption 1990-2024.

Total emissions of CO_2, CH_4 and N_2O for mobile sources

In Table 3.3.4 the CO_2, CH_4 and N_2O emissions for road transport and other mobile sources are shown for 2024 in CRF sectors. The emission figures in time series 1990-2024 are given in Annex 3.B.16 (CRF format) and are shown for 1990 and 2024 in Annex 3.B.15 (CollectER format).

From 1990 to 2024, the road transport emissions of CO_2 and N_2O have increased by 5 and 213 %, respectively, whereas the emissions of CH_4 have decreased by 93 % (from Figures 3.3.14 - 3.3.16). From 1990 to 2024 the other mobile CO_2 emissions have decreased by 28 %, (from Figures 3.3.18 - 3.3.20).

Table 3.3.4 Emissions of CO_2, CH_4 and N_2O in 2024 for road transport and other mobile sources.

	CO_2 ktonnes	CH_4 tonnes	N_2O tonnes
Manufacturing industries/Construction (mobile)	675	19	32
Civil aviation (Domestic)	124	1	6
Road transport: Passenger cars	5372	155	116
Road transport:Light duty vehicles	1640	5	46
Road transport:Heavy duty vehicles	2774	12	763
Road transport: Mopeds & motorcycles	61	61	1
Road transport: Gasoline evaporation	0	0	0
Railways	166	2	5
National navigation (Shipping)	408	12	10
Commercial/Institutional: Mobile	162	22	6
Residential: Household and gardening (mobile)	23	16	0
Agriculture/Forestry/Fishing: Off-road agriculture/forestry	682	40	33
Agriculture/Forestry/Fishing: National fishing	336	5	8
Other, Mobile	157	8	8
Domestic total	12579	360	1035
Road transport exhaust total	9847	234	927
Other mobile exhaust total	2732	126	109
Civil aviation (International)	2879	8	97
Navigation (International)	3236	57	82

Emissions of CO_2, CH_4 and N_2O for road transport

CO_2 emissions are directly fuel consumption dependent and, in this way, the development in the emission reflects the trend in fuel consumption. As shown in Figure 3.3.14, the most important emission source for road transport is passenger cars, followed by heavy-duty vehicles, light-duty vehicles and 2-wheelers in decreasing order. In 2024, the respective emission shares were 54, 28, 17 and 1 %, respectively (Figure 3.3.17).

The majority of CH_4 emissions from road transport come from gasoline passenger cars (Figure 3.3.15). The emission drop from 1992 onwards is explained by the penetration of catalyst cars into the Danish fleet. The 2024 emission shares for CH_4 were 68, 27, 3 and 2 % for passenger cars, 2-wheelers, heavy-duty vehicles and light-duty vehicles, respectively (Figure 3.3.17).

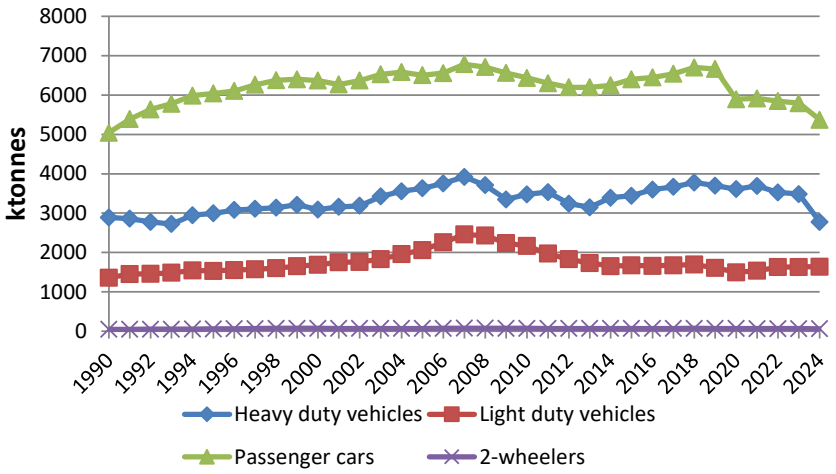


Figure 3.3.14 CO_2 emissions (k-tonnes) per vehicle type for road transport 1990-2024.

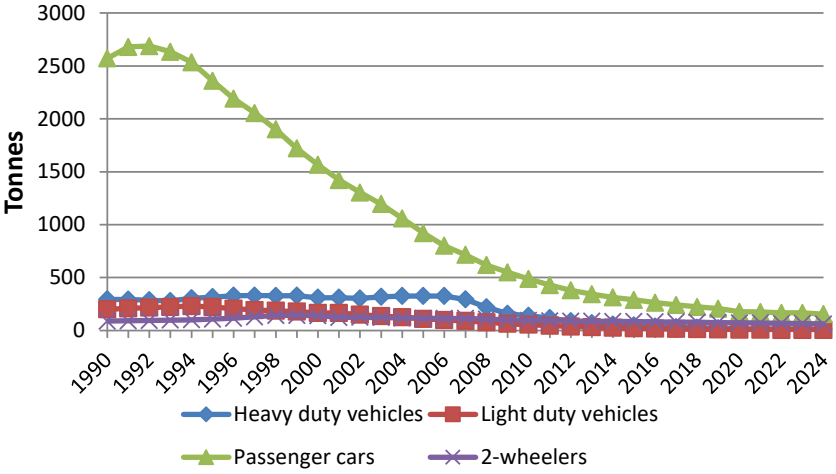


Figure 3.3.15 CH_4 emissions (tonnes) pr. vehicle type for road transport 1990-2024.

For heavy duty vehicles, the N_2O emissions from vehicles equipped with SCR catalysts (mainly Euro V and onwards) are considerably higher than the emissions from pre–Euro V vehicles. The emissions of N_2O from the first generation of gasoline catalyst cars (Euro 1) are increased compared to conventional gasoline cars. The emission factors for later catalytic converter technologies are considerably lower than the ones for Euro 1, thus causing the N2O emissions from passenger cars to decrease from 1998 onwards (Figure 3.3.16).

In 2024, emission shares for heavy duty vehicles, passenger cars and, light commercial vehicles were 82, 13 and 5 %, of the total road transport N_2O, respectively (Figure 3.3.17).

Referring to the fifth IPCC assessment report, 1 g CH_4 and 1 g N_2O has the greenhouse effect of 28 and 265 g CO_2, respectively. In spite of the relatively large CH_4 and N_2O global warming potentials, the largest contribution to the total CO_2 emission equivalents for road transport comes from CO_2, and the CO_2 emission equivalent shares per vehicle category are almost the same as the CO_2 shares.

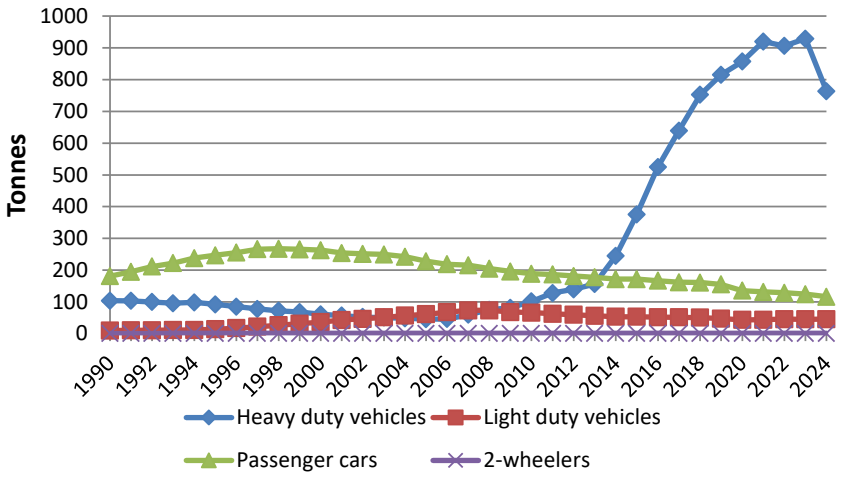


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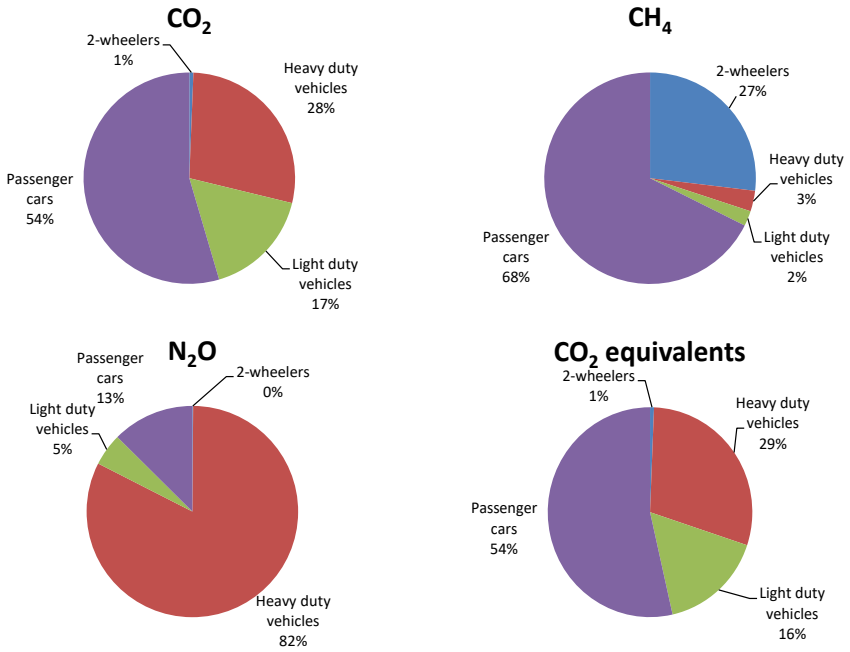


Figure 3.3.17 CO_2, CH_4 and N_2O emission shares and GHG equivalent emission distribution for road transport in 2024.

Emissions of CO_2, CH_4 and N_2O for other mobile sources

For other mobile sources, the highest CO_2 emissions in 2024 come from Agriculture/forestry/fisheries (1A4c), Industry-other (1A2g) and Navigation (1A3d), with shares of 37 %, 25 %, 15, respectively (Figure 3.3.21). The 1990-2024 emission trend is directly related to the fuel consumption development in the same time-period. Minor CO_2 emission contributors are sectors such as Commercial/Institutional (1A4a), Residential (1A4b), Railways (1A3c), Civil Aviation (1A3a) and Other (1A5).

For CH_4, the most important sources are Agriculture/forestry/fisheries (1A4c), Navigation (1A3d), Commercial/Institutional (1A4a), Industry-other (1A2g), and Residential (1A4b), see Figure 3.3.21. The emission shares are 36 %, 9 %, 18 %, 15 % and 13 %, respectively in 2024. For the remaining sectors the emission shares 10 % or less. The CH_4 emission contributions from Commercial/Institutional (1A4a) and Residential (1A4b) are quite high compared to their relative

fuel consumption (and CO_2 emissions) contributions, due the high CH_4 emission factors for gasoline fuelled working machinery in general.

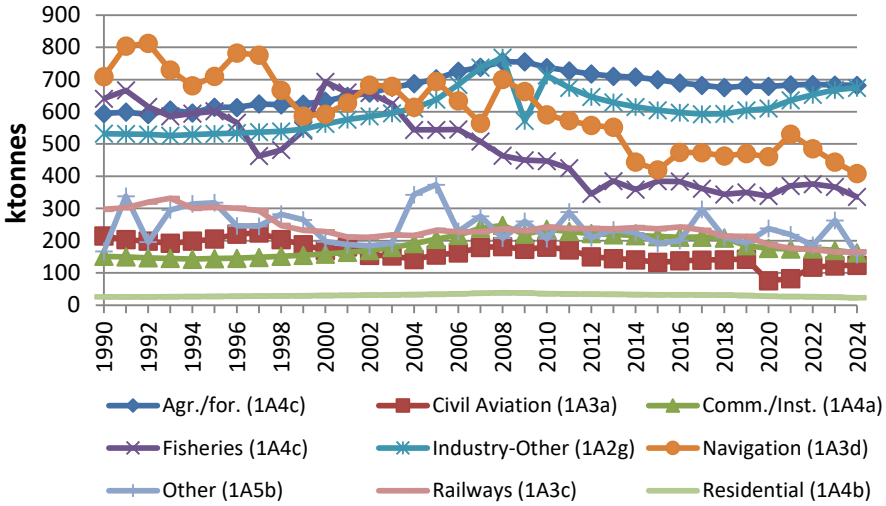


Figure 3.3.18 CO_2 emissions (ktonnes) in CRF sectors for other mobile sources 1990-2024.

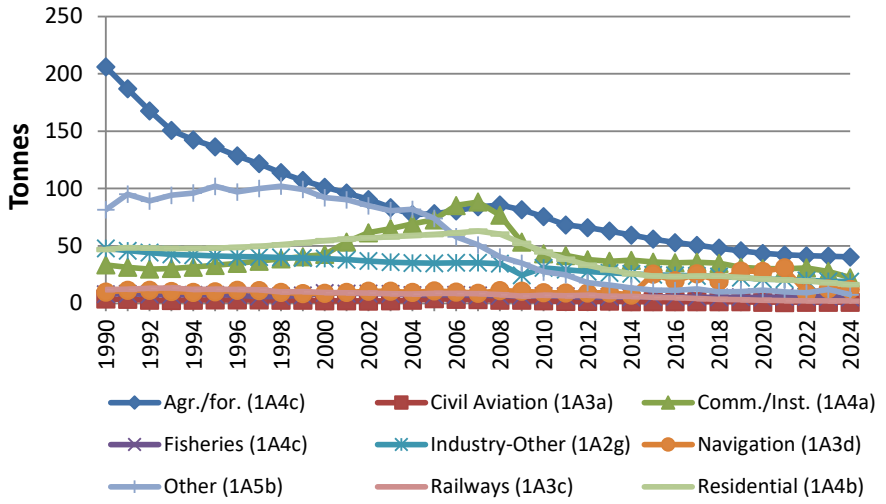


Figure 3.3.19 CH_4 emissions (tonnes) in CRF sectors for other mobile sources 1990-2024.

For N_2O, the emission trend in sub-sectors is the same as for fuel consumption and CO_2 emissions (Figure 3.3.20).

As for road transport, CO_2 alone contributes with by far the most CO_2 emission equivalents in the case of other mobile sources, and per sector the CO_2 emission equivalent shares are almost the same as those for CO_2, itself (Figure 3.3.21).

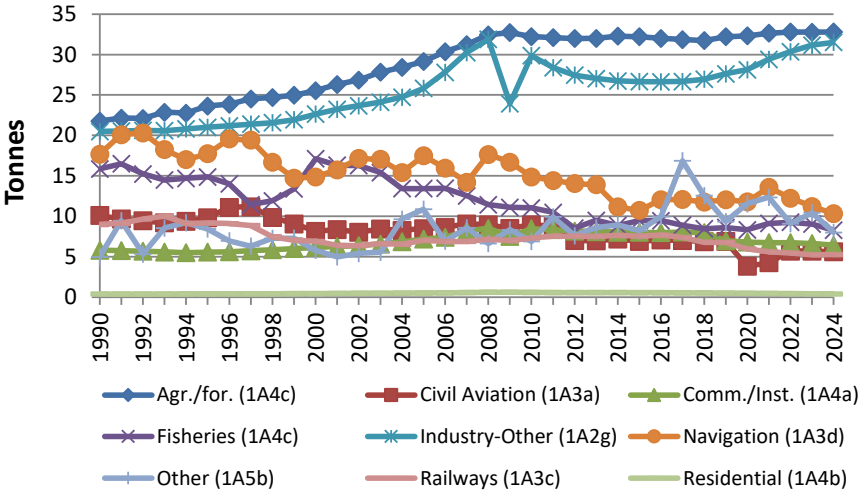


Figure 3.3.20 N_2O emissions (tonnes) in CRF sectors for other mobile sources 1990-2024.

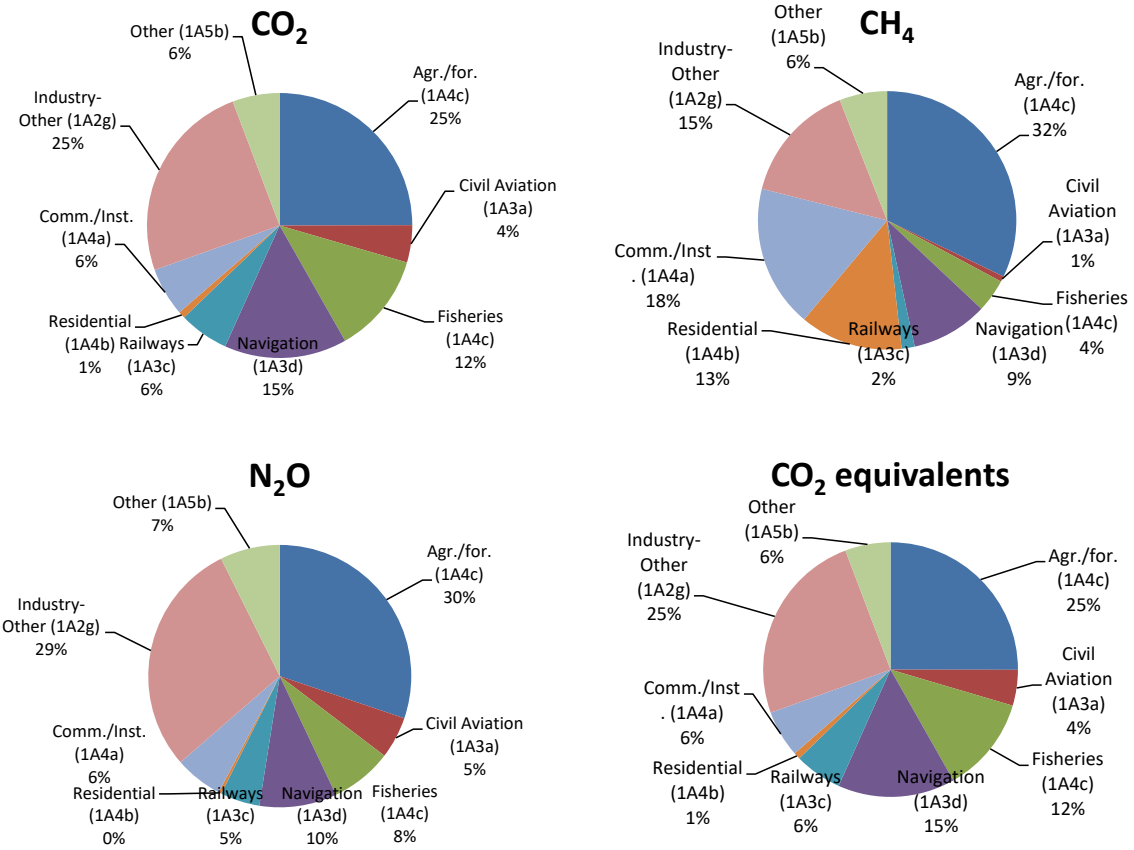


Figure 3.3.21 CO_2, CH_4 and N_2O emission shares and GHG equivalent emission distribution for other mobile sources in 2024.

Emissions of CO_2, CH_4 and N_2O for international transport

The most important emissions from bunker fuel consumption (fuel consumption for international transport) are SO_2 and NO_X. In terms of greenhouse gas emissions, the level of emissions from Danish bunker fuel consumption are 49 %, 18 % and 17 %, respectively, for CO_2, CH_4 and N_2O, compared with the emission total for domestic mobile sources in 2024.

The bunker emission totals of CO_2, CH_4 and N_2O are shown in Table 3.3.4 for 2024, split into sea transport and civil aviation. All emission figures in the 1990-2024 time series are given in Annex 3.B.16 (CRF format). In Annex 3.B.15, the emissions are also given in CollectER format for the years 1990 and 2024.

For further explanations of SO_2 and NO_x emissions from bunkers, please refer to the Danish IIR report (Nielsen et al. 2025).

The differences in CH_4 emissions between navigation and civil aviation are much larger than the differences in fuel consumption (and derived CO_2 emissions) and display a poor emission performance for international sea transport. In broad terms, the emission trends shown in Figure 3.3.22 are like the fuel consumption development.

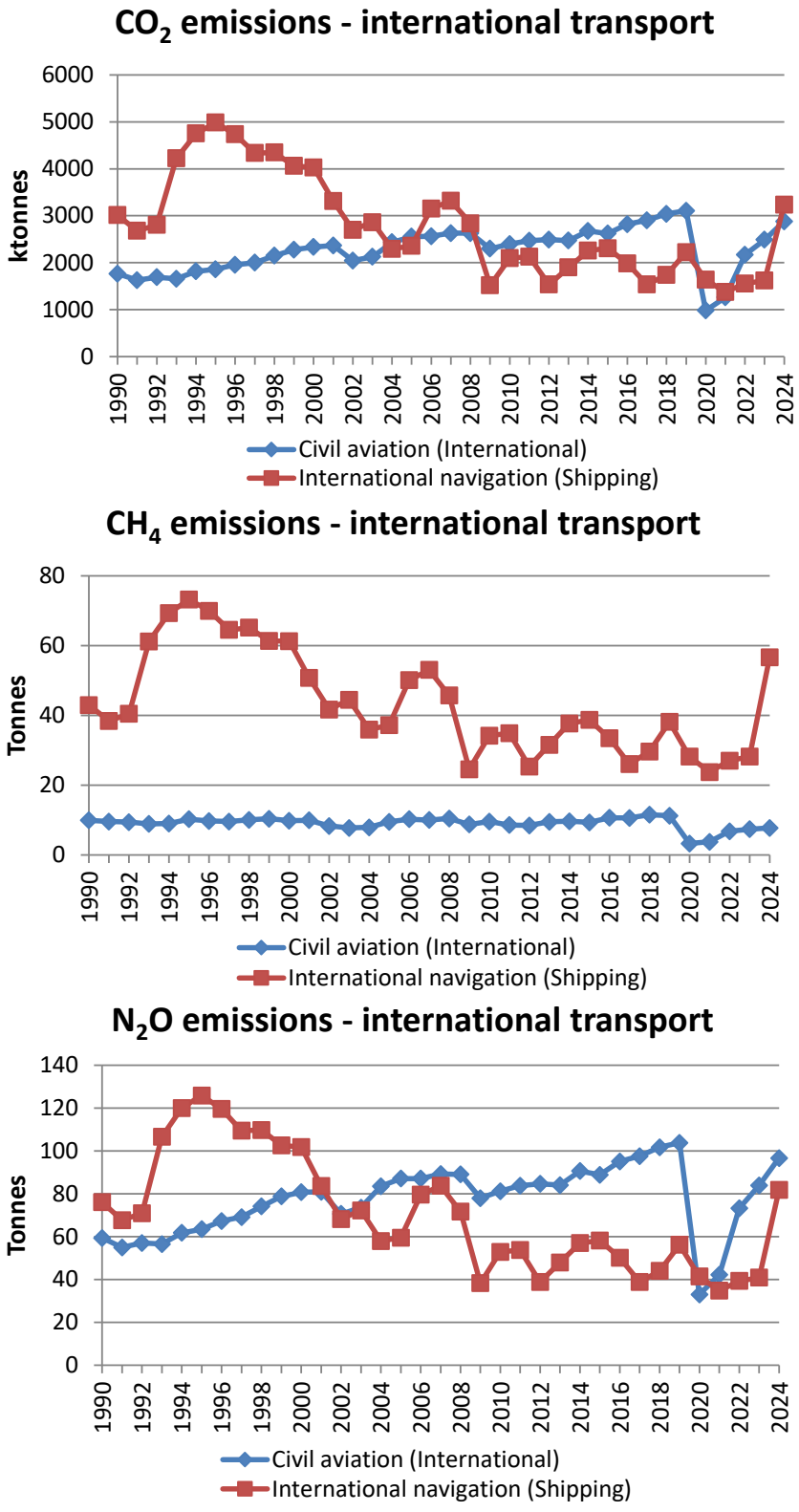


Figure 3.3.22 CO_2, CH_4 and N_2O emissions for international transport 1990-2024.

Emissions of SO_2, NO_X, NMVOC, CO, NH_3, TSP, PM_{10}, $PM_{2.5}$ and BC

For road transport and other mobile sources the emission figures of SO_2, NO_X, NMVOC, CO, NH_3, TSP, PM_{10}, $PM_{2.5}$ and BC in the time series 1990-2024 are given in Annex 3.B.16 (CRF format) and are shown for 1990 and 2024 in Annex 3.B.15 (CollectER format). For further explanations regarding these emissions, please refer to the Danish IIR report (Nielsen et al. 2025).

3.3.2 Methodological issues for Road Transport

For road transport, the detailed methodology (Tier 3) is used to make annual estimates of the Danish emissions, as described in the EMEP/EEA Air Pollutant Emission Inventory Guidebook (EMEP/EEA, 2025). The calculations are made with DEMOS-Road (Danish Emission model system for Mobile Sources) model developed at DCE, Aarhus University, using the European COPERT 5 model methodology (EMEP/EEA, 2025). In COPERT, fuel consumption and emission simulations can be made for operationally hot engines, considering gradually stricter emission standards and emission degradation due to catalyst wear. Furthermore, the emission effects of cold-start and evaporation are simulated.

Vehicle fleet and mileage data

Corresponding to the COPERT 5 fleet classification, DEMOS-Road groups all present and future vehicles in the Danish fleet into vehicle classes, sub-classes and layers. The layer classification is a further division of vehicle sub-classes into groups of vehicles with the same average fuel consumption and emission behaviour, according to EU emission legislation levels. Table 3.3.5 gives an overview of the different model classes and sub-classes, and all model layers the complete list of layer level with implementation years are shown in Annex 3.B.1.

Table 3.3.5 Model vehicle classes and sub-classes and trip speeds.

			Trip speed [km per h]		
Vehicle classes	Fuel type	Engine size/weight	Urban	Rural	Highway
Passenger cars	Gasoline/Diesel/PHEV	< 0.8 l.	40	70	100
Passenger cars	Gasoline/Diesel/PHEV	0.8 - 1.4 l.	40	70	100
Passenger cars	Gasoline/Diesel/PHEV	1.4 – 2 l.	40	70	100
Passenger cars	Gasoline/Diesel/PHEV	> 2 l.	40	70	100
Passenger cars	2-stroke		40	70	100
Passenger cars	LPG		40	70	100
Passenger cars	CNG		40	70	100
Passenger cars	Electric	<= 1450 kg	40	70	100
Passenger cars	Electric	1451-1725 kg	40	70	100
Passenger cars	Electric	1726-1950 kg	40	70	100
Passenger cars	Electric	> 1950 kg	40	70	100
Light commercial vehicles (LCV)	Gasoline/Diesel/LPG/CNG/PHEV/BEV	<1305 kg	40	65	80
Light commercial vehicles (LCV)	Gasoline/Diesel/LPG/CNG/PHEV/BEV	1305-1760 kg	40	65	80
Light commercial vehicles (LCV)	Gasoline/Diesel/LPG/CNG/PHEV/BEV	>1760 kg	40	65	80
Trucks	Gasoline		35	60	80
Trucks	Diesel/CNG	Rigid 3,5 - 7,5t	35	60	80
Trucks	Diesel/CNG	Rigid 7,5 - 12t	35	60	80
Trucks	Diesel/CNG	Rigid 12 - 14 t	35	60	80
Trucks	Diesel/CNG	Rigid 14 - 20t	35	60	80
Trucks	Diesel/CNG	Rigid 20 - 26t	35	60	80
Trucks	Diesel/CNG	Rigid 26 - 28t	35	60	80
Trucks	Diesel/CNG	Rigid 28 - 32t	35	60	80
Trucks	Diesel/CNG	Rigid >32t	35	60	80
Trucks	Diesel/CNG	TT/AT 14 - 20t	35	60	80
Trucks	Diesel/CNG	TT/AT 20 - 28t	35	60	80
Trucks	Diesel/CNG	TT/AT 28 - 34t	35	60	80
Trucks	Diesel/CNG	TT/AT 34 - 40t	35	60	80
Trucks	Diesel/CNG	TT/AT 40 - 50t	35	60	80
Trucks	Diesel/CNG	TT/AT 50 - 60t	35	60	80
Trucks	Diesel/CNG	TT/AT >60t	35	60	80
Trucks	Electric	Rigid 3,5 - 7,5t	35	60	80
Trucks	Electric	Rigid 7,5 - 12t	35	60	80
Trucks	Electric	Rigid 12 - 14 t	35	60	80
Trucks	Electric	TT/AT >60t	35	60	80
Urban buses	Gasoline		30	50	70
Urban buses	Diesel/CNG/Electric	< 15 tonnes	30	50	70
Urban buses	Diesel/CNG/Electric	15-18 tonnes	30	50	70
Urban buses	Diesel/CNG/Electric	> 18 tonnes	30	50	70
Coaches	Gasoline		35	60	80
Coaches	Diesel/CNG/Electric	< 15 tonnes	35	60	80
Coaches	Diesel/CNG/Electric	15-18 tonnes	35	60	80
Coaches	Diesel/CNG/Electric	> 18 tonnes	35	60	80
Mopeds	Gasoline		30	30	-
Mopeds	Electric		30	30	-
Motorcycles	Gasoline	2 stroke	40	70	100
Motorcycles	Gasoline	< 250 cc.	40	70	100
Motorcycles	Gasoline	250 – 750 cc.	40	70	100
Motorcycles	Gasoline	> 750 cc.	40	70	100
Motorcycles	Electric		40	70	100

PHEV: Plug in hybrid electric vehicle.
BEV: Battery electric vehicle.
CNG: Compressed natural gas.
TT: Truck-Trailer; AT: Articulated Truck.

Fleet and annual mileage data are provided by DTU Transport for the vehicle categories present in COPERT 5 (Jensen, 2025). DTU Transport use data from the Danish vehicle register kept by Statistics Denmark. The vehicle register data consist of vehicle type (passenger cars, vans, trucks, buses, mopeds, motorcycles), fuel type, vehicle weight, gross vehicle weight, engine size (passenger cars

registered from 2005+), Euro norm, NEDC type approval fuel efficiency value (passenger cars registered from 1997+) and vehicle first registration year. The Euro norm information is very complete in the Danish vehicle register for vehicle first registrations 2001 onwards for trucks and buses and 2011 onwards in the case of passenger cars and vans. For vehicles with no EU norm information, the EU norm is assigned, associated with the date for first registration (entry into service) listed in Table 3.3.6.

To establish engine size data for passenger cars registered before 2005, a weight class-engine size transformation key is used examined by COWI (2008) for new Danish cars from 1998. For the years before 1998, data for 1998 is used, and for the years 1999-2004, a linear interpolation between 1998 and 2005 weight class-engine size relations is used. For trucks, truck driver registration notes gathered by Statistics Denmark are used to split the fleet figures of ordinary trucks into number of solo trucks and truck-trailer combinations. Further, the registration notes make it possible to assume the average total vehicle weight of the truck trailer combination. For articulated trucks also, the registration notes make it possible to assume the average total vehicle weight of the full articulated truck.

Danish mileage data comes from the Danish Road Directorate based on the Danish vehicle inspection program. Total mileage per year and vehicle category are derived for the years 1985-2024, together with a more detailed mileage matrix examined for the year 2008 (based on detailed vehicle inspection data analysis). The detailed mileage matrix contains annual mileage per vehicle subcategory for new vehicles and for every vintage back in time, which determines the yearly mileage reduction percentages as a function of vehicle age. In a first step, the detailed mileage matrix is combined with corresponding fleet numbers to estimate intermediate total mileages for each year on a detailed fleet level. Next, each year's detailed (intermediate) mileage figures are scaled according to the difference between true and intermediate total mileage per vehicle subcategory.

DTU Transport (Jensen, 2025) also provides information of the mileage split between urban, rural and highway driving based on traffic monitoring data. The respective average speeds come from The Danish Road Directorate (e.g. Winther & Ekman, 1998). Additional data for the moped fleet and motorcycle fleet disaggregation is given by The National Motorcycle Association (Markamp, 2013) and supplementary moped stock information is obtained from The Danish Bicycle Traders Association (Johnsen, 2018) and Prince (2021).

In addition, data from a survey made by the Danish Road Directorate (Hansen, 2010) has given information of the total mileage driven by foreign cars, vans, coaches and trucks on Danish roads in 2009 and a follow-up survey in 2014 has given additional information. For trucks, the mileage contribution from foreign vehicles has been added to the total mileage on Danish roads for Danish truck-trailers and articulated trucks in two gross vehicle weight categories, < 40 tonnes and > 40 tonnes. The data has been further processed by DTU Transport; by using appropriate assumptions, the mileage have been backcasted to 1985 and forecasted to 2024.

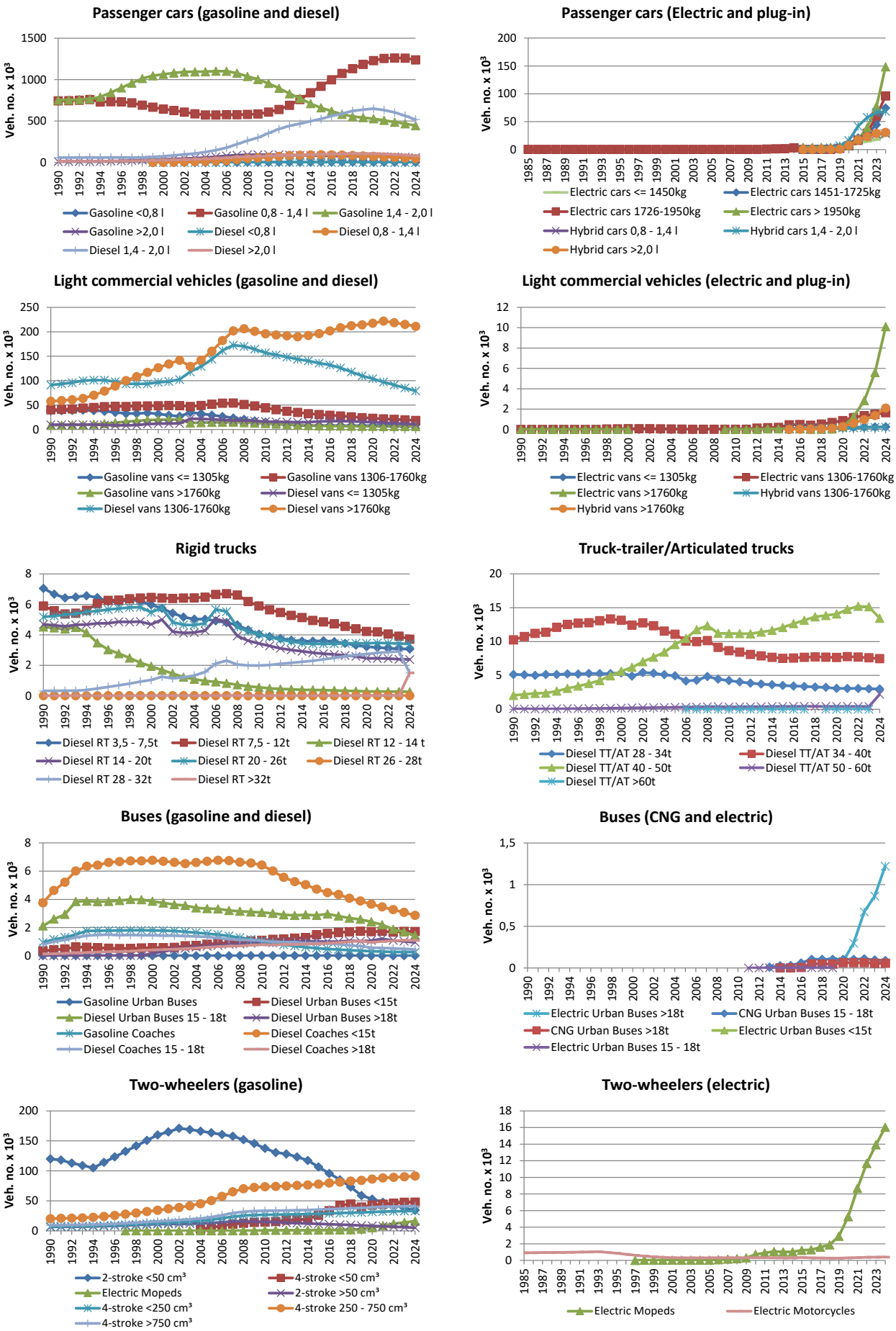


Figure 3.3.23 Number of vehicles in sub-classes in 1985-2024.

For passenger cars, the engine size differentiation is less certain for the years before 2005. The increase in the total number of passenger cars is mostly due to a growth in the number of diesel cars between 1.4 and 2 litres (from the 2000s up to now). Until 2005, there has been a decrease in the number of gasoline cars with an engine size between 0.8 and 1.4 litres. These cars, however, have also increased in numbers during the later years, while the number of 1.4-2 litres gasoline cars has decreased. Since the late 1990s, small cars (< 0.8 l gasoline and <1.4 l. diesel) has slowly begun to penetrate the fleet.

There has been a considerable growth in the number of diesel light-duty vehicles from 1985 to 2006; the number of vehicles has however decreased somewhat after 2006 due to the restructuring of car taxes that made it less advantageous buying vans for private use.

For the truck-trailer and articulated truck combinations, there is a tendency towards the use of increasingly fewer but larger trucks throughout the time periods. The decline in fleet numbers for many of the truck categories is due to the combined effects of the global financial crisis, the fleet shift towards fewer and larger trucks, international market competition (foreign transport companies are effectively gaining Danish market shares), and the reflagging of Danish commercial trucks to companies based in the neighbouring countries[5].

The sudden change in the level of urban bus and coach numbers from 1991 to 1995 is due to uncertain fleet data from Statistics Denmark.

The reason for the significant growth in the number of mopeds from 1994 to 2002 is the introduction of the so-called Moped 45 vehicle type. From 2004 onwards there is a switch from 2-stroke to 4-stroke in new sales for this vehicle category, and this gradually influences the composition of the total moped fleet. From 2017 onwards, there is a big increase in the number of electric mopeds, whereas the number of electric motorcycles has been quite stable for many years. The total number of motorcycles has grown throughout the 1990-2010 period and from 2012-2024.

The vehicle numbers are summed up in EU emission layers for each year (Figure 3.3.24):

$$N_{j,y} = \sum_{i=FYear(j)}^{LYear(j)} N_{i,y} \quad (1)$$

Where N = number of vehicles, j = layer, y = year, i = first year of registration.

Weighted annual mileages per layer are calculated as the sum of all mileage driven per first registration year divided by the total number of vehicles in the specific layer.

$$M_{j,y} = \frac{\sum_{i=FYear(j)}^{LYear(j)} N_{i,y} \cdot M_{i,y}}{\sum_{i=FYear(j)}^{LYear(j)} N_{i,y}} \quad (2)$$

[5] For 2024 errors occur in the fleet data query procedure set up by Statistics Denmark to provide fleet information for DTU Transport in support for the inventories. This concerns rigid trucks 28-32t and > 32t, and truck-trailers/articulated trucks 40-50t and 50-60t, for which a considerable number of trucks has been moved from the second heaviest weight category to the heaviest weight category. The errors will be sorted out in due time for next year's inventory submission.

Vehicle numbers and weighted annual mileages per layer are shown in Annex 3.B.1 and 3.B.2 for 1990-2024. The trends in vehicle numbers per layer are also shown in Figure 3.3.24. The latter figure shows how vehicles complying with the gradually stricter EU emission levels (EURO 1-6, Euro I-VI etc.) have been introduced into the Danish motor fleet.

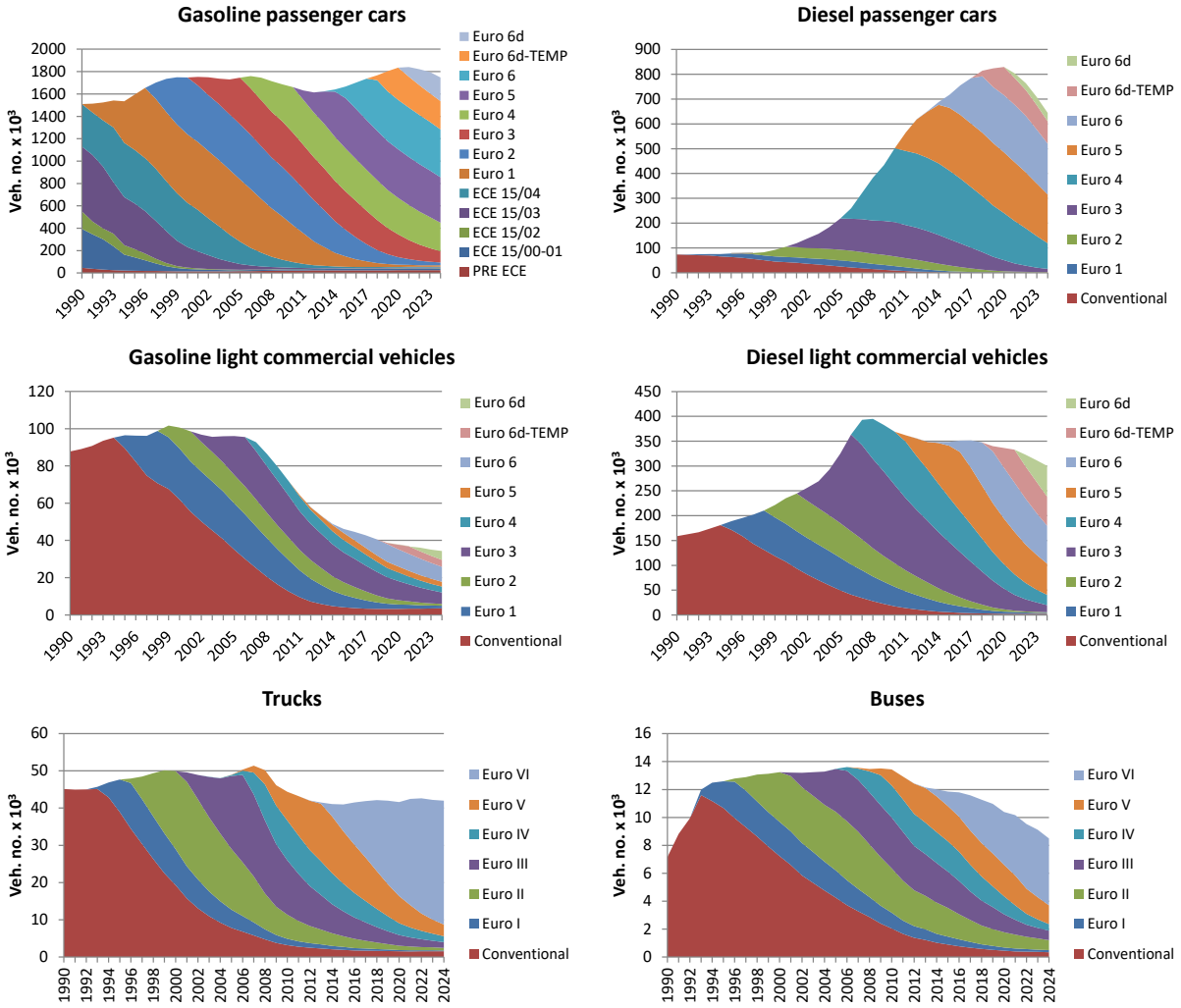


Figure 3.3.24 Layer distribution of vehicle numbers per vehicle type in 1990-2024.

Emission legislation

The EU 443/2009 regulation established new emission performance standards for new passenger cars as part of the Community's integrated approach to reduce CO_2 emissions from light-duty vehicles. Some key elements of the adopted text are as follows:

- **Limit value curve:** the fleet average to be achieved by all cars registered in the EU is 130 gram CO_2 per kilometre (g per km). A so-called limit value curve implies that heavier cars are allowed higher emissions than lighter cars while preserving the overall fleet average.
- **Further reduction:** a further reduction of 10 g CO_2 per km, or equivalent if technically necessary, will be delivered by other technological improvements and by an increased use of sustainable biofuels.
- **Phasing-in of requirements:** in 2012, 65 % of each manufacturer's newly registered cars must comply on average with the limit value curve set by the legislation. This will rise to 75 % in 2013, 80 % in 2014, and 100 % from 2015 onwards.

- **Lower penalty payments for small excess emissions until 2018:** if the average CO_2 emissions of a manufacturer's fleet exceed its limit value in any year from 2012, the manufacturer has to pay an excess emissions premium for each car registered. This premium amounts to €5 for the first g per km of exceedance, €15 for the second g per km, €25 for the third g per km, and €95 for each subsequent g per km. From 2019, already the first g per km of exceedance will cost €95.
- **Long-term target:** a target of 95g CO_2 per km is specified for the year 2021.
- **Eco-innovations:** Manufacturers can be granted a maximum of 7g per km of emission credits on average for their fleet if they equip vehicles with innovative technologies, based on independently verified data.

The EU 510/2011 regulation established new emission performance standards for new light commercial vehicles (vans). Some key elements of the regulation are as follows:

- **Target dates:** the EU fleet average of 175 g CO_2 per km will be phased in between 2014 and 2017. In 2014, an average of 70 %of each manufacturer's newly registered vans must comply with the limit value curve set by the legislation. This proportion will rise to 75 % in 2015, 80 % in 2016, and 100 % from 2017 onwards.
- **Limit value curve:** emissions limits are set according to the mass of vehicle, using a limit value curve. The curve is set in such a way that a fleet average of 175 grams of CO_2 per kilometre is achieved. A so-called limit value curve of 100 % implies that heavier vans are allowed higher emissions than lighter vans while preserving the overall fleet average. Only the fleet average is regulated, so manufacturers will still be able to make vehicles with emissions above the limit value curve provided these are balanced by other vehicles, which are below the curve.
- **Vehicles affected:** the vehicles affected by the legislation are vans, which account for around 12 % of the market for light-duty vehicles. This includes vehicles used to carry goods weighing up to 3.5t (vans and car-derived vans, known as N1) and which weigh less than 2610 kg when empty.
- **Long-term target:** a target of 147g CO_2 per km is specified for the year 2020.
- **Excess emissions premium for small excess emissions until 2018:** if the average CO_2 emissions of a manufacturer's fleet exceed its limit value in any year from 2014, the manufacturer has to pay an excess emissions premium for each van registered. This premium amounts to €5 for the first g per km of exceedance, €15 for the second g per km, €25 for the third g per km, and €95 for each subsequent g per km. From 2019, the first g per km of exceedance will cost €95. This value is equivalent to the premium for passenger cars.
- **Super-credits:** vehicles with extremely low emissions (below 50g per km) will be given additional incentives whereby each low-emitting van will be counted as 3.5 vehicles in 2014 and 2015, 2.5 in 2016 and 1.5 vehicles in 2017.
- **Eco-innovations:** Manufacturers can be granted a maximum of 7g per km of emission credits on average for their fleet if they equip vehicles with innovative technologies, based on independently verified data.
- **Other flexibilities:** manufacturers may group together to form a pool and act jointly in meeting the specific emissions targets. Independent manufacturers who sell fewer than 22,000 vehicles per year can also apply to the Commission for an individual target instead.

On 17 April 2019, the European Parliament and the Council adopted Regulation (EU) 2019/631 setting CO_2 emission performance standards for new passenger cars and for new light commercial vehicles (vans) in the EU.

This Regulation started applying on 1 January 2020, replacing and repealing the former Regulations setting CO_2 emission standards for cars ((EC) 443/2009) and vans ((EU) 510/2011).

On 19 April 2023, the European Parliament and the Council amended the Regulation 2019/631 to strengthen the CO_2 emission performance standards for new passenger cars and vans and bring them in line with the EU's ambition to reach climate neutrality by 2050 (Regulation (EU) 2023/851). This amendment strengthened the emission targets applying from 2030 and set a 100 % emission reduction target for both cars and vans from 2035 onwards.

The following description of the Regulation (EU) 2023/851 is given on the EU Commission Climate Action web page (https://climate.ec.europa.eu/eu-action/transport/road-transport-reducing-co2-emissions-vehicles/co2-emission-performance-standards-cars-and-vans_en). The main elements of the amended regulation are:

Target levels

Below are the EU fleet-wide CO_2 emission targets set out in Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2023/1623:

2020 to 2024

Cars: 95 g CO_2/km

Vans: 147 g CO_2/km

These target levels refer to the NEDC emission test procedure.

2025 to 2034

The targets that will apply from 2025 onwards are based on the WLTP (Worldwide harmonized Light vehicles Test Procedure) and were set out in Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2023/1623:

Cars: 93,6 g CO_2/km (2025-2029) and 49,5 g CO_2/km (2030-2034)

Vans: 153,9 g CO_2/km (2025-2029) and 90,6 g CO_2/km (2030-2034)

From **2035 onwards**, the EU fleet-wide CO_2 emission target for both cars and vans is 0 g CO_2/km, corresponding to a 100 % reduction.

The **annual specific emission targets** of each manufacturer are based on these EU fleet-wide targets, taking into account the average mass of its registered new vehicles. Since 2021, those specific emission targets are based on the WLTP.

The manufacturer targets for the **years 2021-2024** are calculated in accordance with point 4 of Annex I (parts A and B) to Regulation (EU) 2019/631, using the values set out in Annex II to Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2022/2087.

The manufacturer targets **from 2025 onwards** are calculated in accordance with point 6 of Annex I (parts A and B) to Regulation (EU) 2019/631, using the values set out in Annex II to Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2023/1623.

Incentive mechanism for zero- and low-emission vehicles (ZLEV):

From 2025 to 2029, a ZLEV **crediting system** will apply both for car and van manufacturers. The system will alleviate a manufacturer's specific emission target if its share of new ZLEV (vehicles with emissions between 0 and 50 g CO_2/km) registered in a given year exceeds the following benchmarks:

Cars: 25% ZLEV
Vans: 17% ZLEV

A one percentage point exceedance of the ZLEV benchmark will increase the manufacturer's CO_2 target (in g CO_2/km) by one percent. The alleviation of the emission target will be capped at maximum 5 % to safeguard the environmental integrity of the Regulation.

To calculate the ZLEV share in a manufacturer's fleet, an accounting rule give a greater weight to ZLEVs with lower CO_2 emissions. An additional multiplier may apply for cars registered in Member States with a low share and number of ZLEVs registered in 2017.

Penalties for excess emissions
If the average CO_2 emissions of a manufacturer's fleet exceed its specific emission target in a given year, the manufacturer must pay – for each of its new vehicles registered in that year – an **excess emissions premium** of €95 per g/km of target exceedance.

Pooling
Different manufacturers can act jointly to meet their emissions target. When forming a pool, manufacturers must respect the rules of competition law. Pooling between car and van manufacturers is not possible.

Exemptions and derogations:
Manufacturers responsible for fewer than 1 000 new cars or fewer than 1 000 new vans registered in the EU per year are **exempt** from meeting a specific emission target in the following year, unless they voluntarily apply for a derogation.

Manufacturers may apply for a **derogation** from their specific emission target with the following conditions:

A "small-volume" manufacturer (responsible for less than 10 000 new cars or less than 22 000 new vans registered per year) can propose its own derogation target, based on the criteria set in Article 10 of the Regulation.

A "niche" car manufacturer (responsible for between 10 000 and 300 000 new cars registered per year) can apply for a derogation for the years until 2028, included. The derogation targets are calculated as set out in Article 10(4) of the Regulation and in point 5 of Part A of its Annex I. Feel free to access the values used to calculate the "niche" derogation target from 2025 onwards.

Eco-innovations

To promote the development of new and advanced technologies reducing CO_2 emissions from vehicles, manufacturers may obtain emission credits for cars and vans which are equipped with innovative technologies (eco-innovations) whose full CO_2 savings are impossible to demonstrate during their type-approval.

The manufacturer must demonstrate these savings based on independently verified data. The maximum emission credits for these eco-innovations per manufacturer are 7 g CO_2/km per year until 2024, 6 g CO_2/km from 2025 to 2029, and 4 g CO_2/km from 2030 to 2034. As of 2025, the efficiency improvements for air conditioning systems will become eligible as eco-innovations.

In-service verification

Manufacturers must ensure that the CO_2 emissions recorded in the certificates of conformity of their vehicles and the in-service CO_2 emissions of such vehicles correspond. Type-approval authorities must verify this correspondence in selected vehicles, as well as the presence of any strategies to artificially improve the vehicle's performance during type-approval tests.

In case deviations or artificial strategies are detected, type-approval authorities must report those to the Commission, who will take them into account when calculating the average specific emissions of a manufacturer. Authorities must also ensure the correction of the certificates of conformity, and may take additional measures as set out in the Type Approval Regulation.

Real-world emissions

To assess the real-world representativeness of the CO_2 emissions and the fuel or energy consumption values determined during type-approval, as well as to prevent the growing of the gap between emissions tested in the laboratory and real-world emissions, the Commission is collecting real-world data from cars and vans using on-board fuel consumption monitoring (OBFCM) devices, starting with vehicles first registered in 2021.

On 14 February 2023, the European Commission tabled a legislative proposal to revise Regulation (EU) 2019/1242 setting CO_2 emission standards for new HDVs in the EU, see https://www.europarl.europa.eu/thinktank/en/document/EPRS_BRI(2023)747880. The revision was approved by the European Parliament on 10 April 2024 and ratified by the Council of the European Union on 13 May 2024.

The revision expands the scope of the regulation to include urban buses, coaches, trailers and additional types of lorries. The average CO_2 emissions of trucks and coaches, compared with 2019 levels, would have to fall by 45 % from 2030, by 65 % from 2035, and by 90 % from 2040 onwards.

The revision introduced a 2035 100 % zero emissions target for urban buses, with an intermediate 90 % 2030 goal.

For Euro 1-6 passenger cars and vans, the chassis dynamometer test cycle used in the EU for emission approval is the NEDC (New European Driving Cycle), see e.g. www.dieselnet.com. The test cycle is also used for fuel consumption measurements. The NEDC cycle consists of two parts, the first part being a 4-time repetition (driving length: 4 km) of the ECE test cycle. The latter test cycle

is the so-called urban driving cycle[6] (average speed: 19 km per h). The second part of the test is the run-through of the EUDC (Extra Urban Driving Cycle) test driving segment, simulating the fuel consumption under rural and highway driving conditions. The driving length of EUDC is 7 km at an average speed of 63 km per h. More information regarding the fuel measurement procedure can be found in the EU-directive 80/1268/EØF.

The NEDC test cycle is not adequately describing real world driving behaviour, and consequently, for diesel cars and vans, there is an increasing mismatch between the step wise lowered EU emission limits the vehicles comply with during the NEDC test cycle, and the more or less constant emissions from the same vehicles experienced during real world driving. In order to bridge this emission inconsistency gap a new test procedure, the "World-Harmonized Light-Duty Vehicles Test Procedure" (WLTP), has been developed which simulates much more closely real world driving behaviour. The WLTP test procedure gradually take effect from 2017.

For newer Euro 6 vehicles and Euro 7 vehicles emission measurements must also be made with portable emission measurement systems (PEMS) during real traffic driving conditions with random acceleration and deceleration patterns. During the new Real Driving Emission (RDE) test procedure in a temporary phase, the emissions of NO_x are not allowed to exceed the NEDC based Euro 6 emission limits by more than 110 % by 1 September 2017 for all new car models and by 1 September 2019 for all new cars (Euro 6d-TEMP). From 1 January 2020 in the final phase, the NO_x emission not-to-exceed levels are adjusted downwards to 50 % for all new car models and by 1 January 2021 for all new cars (Euro 6d). Implementation dates for vans are one year later.

In the road transport emission model, compromise dates for enter into service of the Euro 6d-TEMP technology are set to 1 September 2018 and 1 September 2019, for diesel cars and vans, respectively. For Euro 6d, the enter into service dates are set to 1 January 2021 and 1 January 2022 for cars and vans, respectively. (pers. comm. Katja Asmussen, Danish EPA, 2018).

For NOx, VOC (NMVOC + CH_4), CO and PM, the emissions from road transport vehicles have to comply with the emission limit values agreed by the EU. An overview of the different emission layers in the road transport emission model and the corresponding EU emission directive numbers are given in Table 3.3.6. The specific emission limits are shown in Annex 2.B.3.

Table 3.3.6 shows the EU directive dates for new type approvals and the date for first registration (entry into service) of existing, previously type approved vehicle models. The latter date is used in the model for vehicles with no EU norm information given in the car register. In most cases the entry into service date used in the model is the same as the entry into service date specified by the EU directive.

For passenger cars and light commercial vehicles, the emission directives distinguish between three vehicle classes according to vehicle reference mass[7]: Passenger cars and light duty trucks (<1305 kg) have the same emission limits

[6] For Euro 3 and on, the emission approval test procedure was slightly changed. The 40 s engine warm up phase before start of the urban driving cycle was removed.
[7] Reference mass: net vehicle weight + mass of fuel and other liquids + 100 kg.

but different legislation dates. Light duty trucks (1305-1760 kg) and light duty trucks (>1760 kg) have the same legislation dates but different emission limits.

For heavy-duty vehicles (trucks and buses), the emission limits are given in g per kWh and the measurements are carried out for engines in a test bench, using the ECE R-49, EU ESC (European Stationary Cycle) and ETC (European Transient Cycle) test cycles, depending on the Euro norm and exhaust gas aftertreatment system installed. For Euro VI and Euro VII engines the WHSC (World Harmonized Stationary Cycle) and WHTC (World Harmonized Transient Cycle) test cycles are used. For a description of the test cycles, see e.g. www.dieselnet.com.

For Euro VII engines emissions measured during a Real Driving Emission (RDE) test procedure with random acceleration and deceleration patterns, must comply with specific emission limits given in EU directive 2024/1257.

Specific emission limits (Euro 7) for non-exhaust particulate emissions from brake wear and tyre wear are also comprised in EU directive 2024/1257. The emission limits are valid for new brake systems for different powertrain types and vehicle categories, and for tyres of different size classes. For further descriptions, see e.g. ICCT (2024).

For brake systems, as a first step, Euro 7 defines particulate matter limits for passenger cars and light commercial vehicles until the end of 2029. From 2030 onwards, the scope is extended to buses and trucks of categories M_2, M_3 and N_2, N_3. The emission limits will be defined for two time periods, from 2030-2034 and from 2035 onwards. To define the actual emission limits, the European Commission will submit an analysis by the end of 2027.

Brake particle emissions of brake systems for M_1 and N_1 vehicles are tested according to the UN Global Technical Regulation No. 24.8[8]. The type-approval is granted for the brake system, which can then be fitted to many vehicle models. The test procedure for heavy-duty vehicles is yet to be developed.

Tyres will be subject to type-approval testing to receive type approval for Euro 7. The test procedure and emission limits for tyre wear are under development at the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE) and will amend the Euro 7 regulation. If a UNECE regulation is not adopted in time, the Commission is empowered to develop a tyre testing procedure and set limits instead.

Euro 7 requirements will apply to tyres of different classes at different times — first to C1 tyres (cars and LCV) from July 2028, then to C2 tyres (medium load heavy duty vehicles) from April 2030, and to C3 tyres (high load heavy duty vehicles) from April 2032. The introduction sequence is the same for all categories. In the first stage, Euro 7 applies to new tyre models that are type-approved for the first time. One year later, new vehicles put on the market must be equipped with Euro 7 type-approved tyres, and another year later, all tyres put on the market must comply with Euro 7 requirements.

[8] United Nations Economic Commission for Europe, "Addendum 24: UN Global Technical Regulation No. 24 - Laboratory Measurement of Brake Emissions for Light-Duty Vehicles," Pub. L. No. ECE/TRANS/180/Add.24 (2023), https://unece.org/sites/default/files/2023-07/ECE-TRANS-180-Add.24.pdf.

In terms of the sulphur content in the fuels used by road transportation vehicles, the EU directive 2003/17/EF describes the fuel quality standards agreed by the EU. In Denmark, the sulphur content in gasoline and diesel was reduced to 10 ppm in 2005, by means of a fuel tax reduction for fuels with 10 ppm sulphur contents.

Table 3.3.6 Overview of emission layers in the road transport emission model and the related EU emission directives.

Vehicle category	Emission layer	EU directive	Type approval date	First registration date
Passenger cars (gasoline)	PRE ECE	-	-	<1970-
	ECE 15/00-01	70/220 - 74/290	1972[a]	1970[a]
	ECE 15/02	77/102	1981[b]	1979[b]
	ECE 15/03	78/665	1982[c]	1981[c]
	ECE 15/04	83/351	1987[d]	1986[d]
Passenger cars (diesel)	Conventional	-	-	<1991-
Passenger cars	Euro 1	91/441	1.7.1992[e]	1.1.1991[e]
	Euro 2	94/12	1.1.1996	1.1.1997
	Euro 3	98/69	1.1.2000	1.1.2001
	Euro 4	98/69	1.1.2005	1.1.2006
	Euro 5	715/2007(692/2008)	1.9.2009	1.1.2011
	Euro 6	715/2007(692/2008)	1.9.2014	1.9.2015
	Euro 6d-TEMP	2016/646	1.9.2017	1.9.2018
	Euro 6d	2016/646	1.1.2020	1.1.2021
	Euro 7	2024/1257	29.11.2026	29.11.2027
LCV < 1305 kg	Conventional	-	-	<1995
	Euro 1	91/441	1.10.1994	1.1.1995
	Euro 2	94/12	1.1.1998	1.1.1999
	Euro 3	98/69	1.1.2001	1.1.2002
	Euro 4	98/69	1.1.2006	1.1.2007
	Euro 5	715/2007(692/2008)	1.9.2010	1.1.2012
	Euro 6	715/2007(692/2008)	1.9.2015	1.9.2016
	Euro 6d-TEMP	2016/646	1.9.2018	1.9.2019
	Euro 6d	2016/646	1.1.2021	1.1.2022
	Euro 7	2024/1257	29.11.2026	29.11.2027
LCV 1305-1760 kg & > 1760 kg	Conventional	-	-	<1995
	Euro 1	93/59	1.10.1994	1.1.1995
	Euro 2	96/69	1.1.1998	1.1.1999
	Euro 3	98/69	1.1.2001	1.1.2002
	Euro 4	98/69	1.1.2006	1.1.2007
	Euro 5	715/2007	1.9.2010	1.1.2012
	Euro 6	715/2007	1.9.2015	1.9.2016
	Euro 6d-TEMP	2016/646	1.9.2018	1.9.2019
	Euro 6d	2016/646	1.1.2021	1.1.2022
	Euro 7	2024/1257	29.11.2026	29.11.2027
Heavy duty vehicles	Euro 0	88/77	1.10.1990	1.10.1990
	Euro I	91/542	1.10.1993	1.10.1993
	Euro II	91/542	1.10.1996	1.10.1996
	Euro III	1999/96	1.10.2000	1.10.2001
	Euro IV	1999/96	1.10.2005	1.10.2006
	Euro V	1999/96	1.10.2008	1.10.2009
	Euro VI	595/2009	1.1.2013	1.1.2014
	Euro VII	2024/1257	29.5.2028	29.5.2029
Mopeds	Conventional	-	-	-
	Euro I	97/24	2000	2000
	Euro II	2002/51	2004	2004
	Euro III	2002/51	2014[f]	2014[f]

Continued				
	Euro IV	168/2013	2017	2017
	Euro V	168/2013	2021	2021
Motor cycles	Conventional		0	0
	Euro I	97/24	2000	2000
	Euro II	2002/51	2004	2004
	Euro III	2002/51	2007	2007
	Euro IV	168/2013	2017	2017
	Euro V	168/2013	2021	2021

a,b,c,d: Expert judgement suggests that Danish vehicles enter into the traffic before EU directive first registration dates. The effective inventory starting years are a: 1970; b: 1979; c: 1981; d: 1986; e: The directive came into force in Denmark 1. October 1990.

Fuel consumption and emission factors

In practice, the emissions from vehicles in traffic are different from the legislation limit values and, therefore, the latter figures are not suited for total emission calculations. Besides difference in test versus real world driving behaviour, as discussed in the previous section, the emission limit values do not reflect the emission impact of cumulated mileage driven, and engine and exhaust after treatment maintenance levels for the vehicle fleet as a whole.

Therefore, to represent the Danish fleet and to support average national emission estimates, the selected emission factors must be derived from numerous emission measurements, using a broad range of real world driving patterns and a sufficient number of test vehicles. It is similarly important to have separate fuel consumption and emission data for cold-start emission calculations and gasoline evaporation (hydrocarbons).

The fuel consumption and emission factors used in DEMOS-Road come from the COPERT 5 model[9]. The source for these data is various European measurement programmes. In general, the COPERT data are transformed into trip-speed dependent fuel consumption and emission factors for all vehicle categories and layers by using trip speeds as shown in Table 3.3.5. The factors are listed in Annex 2.B.4.

It should be noted that for PHEV (plug-in hybrid electric vehicles) cars and vans, the utility factor is set to 0.3, i.e. 30 % of total mileage is assumed to be battery driven, according to assumptions made by DEA (2024b)[10]. The fuel consumption and emission factors for plug-in vehicles used in the Danish national emission inventories for road transport, and shown in the present NIR, only contain the part of fuel consumption and emissions related to the combustion of fossil fuel (gasoline) in the vehicles. The emissions related to the generation of the electricity used by battery electric vehicles and plug-in vehicles are included under stationary sources in the Danish emission inventories as prescribed by the UNFCCC reporting guidelines.

Adjustment for vehicle fuel efficiency

For passenger cars, COPERT 5 include measurement-based fuel consumption factors until Euro 4. A calculation function is provided for newer cars that one

[9] For hydrogen fuel cell passenger cars and light commercial vehicles, hydrogen fuel cell and battery electric buses and trucks, and battery electric mopeds and motorcycles fuel consumption factor data are obtained from the HBEFA (Handbook of Emission Factors) model version 4.1 (e.g. Matzer et al., 2019).

[10] The electric driven mileage shares for Danish urban, rural and highway driving conditions are derived by weighing in electric driven mileage shares for urban, rural and highway driving conditions obtained from HBEFA.

hand compensates for the trend towards more fuel efficient vehicles being sold during the later years and on the other hand compensate for the increasing fuel gap between fuel consumption measured during vehicle type approval and real world fuel consumption.

The COPERT calculation function and supporting data material basis is, however, not able to account for the fuel gaps between fuel consumption measured during vehicle type approval and real-world fuel consumption for vehicles after 2014, as monitored by e.g. the International Council on Clean Transportation (ICCT), Tietge et al. (2019).

The baseline COPERT 5 fuel consumption factors for Euro 4, Euro 5 and Euro 6 passenger cars are adjusted in the following way.

In the Danish fleet and mileage database kept by DTU Transport, the type approval fuel efficiency value based on the NEDC driving cycle (TA_{NEDC}) is registered for each single car. In the fleet and mileage database, type approval fuel efficiency values based on the WLTP driving cycle is converted into TA_{NEDC} values by using conversion factors from NEDC to WLTP established by JRC (2017).

Further, DTU Transport calculates a modified fuel efficiency value (FC_{inuse}) with the calculation function provided by COPERT 5 that better reflects the fuel consumption in real ("inuse") traffic conditions.

The FC_{inuse} function uses TA_{NEDC}, vehicle weight, engine size and regression coefficients by first registration year, as input parameters (EMEP/EEA, 2025). For each new registration year, i, fuel type, f, and engine size, k, number based average values of TA_{NEDC} and FC_{inuse} are summed up and referred to as $\overline{TA_{NEDC}}(i,f,k)$ and $\overline{TA_{inuse}}(i,f,k)$. For vehicle new registrations after 2014, regression coefficients are used for 2014.

The FC_{inuse} function has been developed from a vehicle database consisting of new registered cars from 2006-2014 (Tietge et al. 2017). Hence, as previously mentioned, The FC_{inuse} function is not able to account for the fuel gaps after 2014, between type approval and real world fuel consumption as monitored by ICCT (Tietge et al., 2019).

To obtain $\overline{FC_{inuse}}(i,f,k)$ values for vehicle new registrations 2015-2024, the $\overline{FC_{inuse}}(i,f,k)$ values for 2014 are adjusted for the years 2015-2024[11] with an index function (indexed from 2014), C_{ICCT} (i, f), based on the reported ICCT fuel gap figures by fuel type for the new registration years 2014-2024.

Subsequently these $\overline{FC_{inuse}}(i,f,k)$ values are aggregated by mileage into layer specific values for each inventory year ($\overline{FC_{inuse}}(layer)$).

At the same time, COPERT provides fuel consumption factors for Euro 4 vehicles for a specific driving pattern composition[12] that better describes real world

[11] The ICCT monitoring report include new cars up to 2017. For new cars from 2018-2024, fuel gap figures are used for cars from 2017.
[12] The factors are derived from the Common Artemis Driving Cycle (CADC), with a 1/3 weight for each of the urban, rural and highway parts of CADC.

driving for these specific vehicles. The factors build on the actual fuel measurements for the Euro 4 sample of COPERT vehicles ($FC_{COPERT,\ sample}$), used in the development of the Euro 4 emission factors in the COPERT model.

In a final step the ratio between the layer specific fuel factors for the Danish fleet ($\overline{FC_{inuse}}(layer)$) and the COPERT Euro 4 vehicles ($FC_{COPERT,\ sample}$) are used to scale the trip speed dependent COPERT 5 fuel consumption factors for Euro 4 layers onwards.

For years beyond 2024 annual fuel efficiency, improvement rates are used for new cars depending on fuel type as suggested by DEA (2025b).

For vans, trucks, urban buses and coaches, annual fuel efficiency improvement rates are used for new vehicles depending on fuel type as suggested by DEA (2025b).

Adjustment for EGR, SCR and particle filters

In COPERT 5, emission factors are available for Euro V heavy duty vehicles using exhaust gas recirculation (EGR) and selective catalyst reduction (SCR) exhaust emission aftertreatment systems, respectively. The estimated new sales of Euro V diesel trucks equipped with EGR and SCR during the 2006-2010 time periods has been examined by Hjelgaard and Winther (2011). These inventory fleet data are used in the Danish inventory to calculate weighted emission factors for Euro V trucks in different size categories.

In 2008-2010 environmental zones have been introduced in the four largest Danish cities to bring down the particulate emissions from diesel fuelled heavy duty vehicles. Driving in these environmental zones prescribe the use of diesel particulate filters.

The Danish EPA has estimated the number of Euro I-III urban buses and Euro II-III trucks and tourist buses, which have been retrofitted with filters to fulfil the emission requirements in these environmental zones (Winther, 2011). It is assumed that the retrofitted filters are wall-flow diesel particle filters (DPF), and the particulate emissions from these retrofitted vehicles are effectively the same as the particulate emissions from Euro V vehicles all with preinstalled DPF's.

In 2009, a levy was introduced on light diesel vehicles without particle filters. To avoid this levy, many older diesel cars and vans have been retrofitted with open particle filters (also named free-flow or particle oxidation catalysts), regarded as the only technically feasible solution in this case. The particle emissions for these vehicles are expected to be 30 % lower than the particle emissions from the same Euro technology with no retrofitted filter.

In addition, since 2006, economic incitements have been given to private vehicle owners to buy Euro 4 diesel passenger cars and vans with preinstalled closed (wall-flow) diesel particle filters (DPF). The particulate emissions from these vehicles are similar to the particulate emissions for Euro 5 vehicles all with preinstalled DPF's.

From the Danish vehicle register, information exists of the number of diesel passenger cars and vans equipped with particle filters, no information is however, available on filter type.

The inventories assume that particle filter registered pre-Euro 4 vehicles have been retrofitted with open particle filters, and PM emission factors are reduced by 30 % compared to the PM emission factors from the same Euro technology with no retrofitted filter.

It is also assumed that all filter registered Euro 4 vehicles come with preinstalled DPFs, and PM emission factors are like the PM emission factors for Euro 5 vehicles. Although a few Euro 4 vehicles may be retrofitted with open particle filters, it's impossible to distinguish between filter types from vehicle register data. Nonetheless, any error introduced in the calculations under this assumption is very small.

The particle emission data for vehicles with filter installed are included in the Danish inventory by assuming that the particle emission factors for pre-Euro 4 vehicles (these vehicles are equipped with free-flow filters) are lowered by 30 % compared with the emission factors from the same Euro technology with no filter installed. For Euro 4 vehicles (these vehicles have DPF installed) the particle emission factors for Euro 5 vehicles are used in the emission inventories.

For all vehicle categories/technology levels not represented by measurements, the emission factors are produced by using reduction factors. The latter factors are determined by assessing the EU emission limits and the relevant emission approval test conditions, for each vehicle type and Euro class.

Adjustment for Euro 5 diesel passenger cars

In COPERT 5 emission factors are available for those Euro 5 diesel passenger cars for which engine control software has been installed to reduce the emissions, because of the diesel scandal.

The Euro 5 vehicles in question were brought to vehicle workshops during the vehicle recall program from 2016-2018. A short description of the recall program and the cars included is given below:

- Engine software was updated in 70,946 cars, evenly shared by 1/3 in each of the years 2016-2018
- Vehicle first registration years of the updated cars were between 2009-2016
- Engine sizes of the updated cars were < 1.4 l (9 %) and 1.4-2 l (91 %)

In DEMOS-Road, the fleet attributes for each year were distributed into first registration year-engine size categories, according to their fleet shares in the respective first registration year-engine size categories.

The number of included cars in the software update program was provided by the Danish Safety Technology Authority (Bonde, 2021) and engine size and model year information was provided by Volkswagen (Hjortshøj, 2021).

Adjustment for deterioration

For Euro 1-7 gasoline and diesel[13] fuelled cars and vans, the emissions of NO_X, NMVOC and CO gradually increase due to catalyst wear and are, therefore, modified as a function of total mileage. Even though the emission curves may be serrated for the individual vehicles, on average, the emissions from catalyst

[13] For Euro 1 diesel cars and vans, adjustments due to wear only relate to NMVOC.

cars stabilize after a given cut-off mileage is reached due to OBD (On Board Diagnostics) and the Danish inspection and maintenance programme.

For each year, y, and pollutant, i, the deterioration factors are calculated per first registration year, k, for each vehicle in layer j, by using deterioration coefficients and cut-off mileages, as given in EMEP/EEA (2025), for the corresponding layer j.

These deterioration factors are given by the equation:

$$DF_{k,i,j,y} = A_{i,j} \cdot MC_{k,i,j,y} + B_{i,j} \quad (3)$$

where,

DF = the deterioration factor for a given cumulated mileage, MC, and pollutant i,

MC = the cumulated mileage of vehicles for which the correction is applied,

A_j = the degradation of the emission performance per kilometre for layer j,

B_j = the emission level of a fleet of brand new vehicles for layer j.

Secondly, the aggregated deterioration factors per layer, are calculated by considering vehicle numbers and annual mileage levels per first registration year:

$$DF_{i,j,y} = \frac{\sum_{k=FYear(j)}^{LYear(j)} DF_{k,i,y} \cdot N_{k,y} \cdot M_{k,y}}{\sum_{k=FYear(j)}^{LYear(j)} DF_{k,i,y} \cdot N_{k,y}} \quad (4)$$

For N_2O and NH_3, COPERT 5 includes emission deterioration as a linear function of mileage for gasoline fuelled EURO 1-7 passenger cars and light duty vehicles. The level of emission deterioration also relies on the content of sulphur in the fuel. The deterioration coefficients are given in EMEP/EEA (2025), for the corresponding layer. A cut-off mileage of 250 000 km is behind the calculation of the modified emission factors, and for the Danish situation the low sulphur level interval is assumed to be most representative. The deterioration factors are shown in Annex 3.B.6 for 2024.

Calculation of emissions and fuel consumption for hot engines

Emissions and fuel consumption results for operationally hot engines are calculated in DEMOS-Road for each year, layer and road type. DEMOS-Road uses the COPERT V detailed calculation methodology. The calculation procedure is to combine fuel consumption and emission factors (and deterioration factors for catalyst vehicles), number of vehicles, annual mileage levels and the relevant road-type shares given in Table 3.3.5. For non-catalyst vehicles, this yields:

$$E_{j,k,y} = EF_{j,k,y} \cdot S_k \cdot N_{j,y} \cdot M_{j,y} \quad (5)$$

Here E = fuel consumption/emission, EF = fuel consumption/emission factor, S = road type share and k = road type.

For catalyst vehicles the calculation becomes:

$$E_{j,k,y} = DF_{j,k,y} \cdot EF_{j,k,y} \cdot S_k \cdot N_{j,y} \cdot M_{j,y} \quad (6)$$

Calculation of extra emissions and fuel consumption for cold engines

For cars and vans, extra emissions of NO_x, VOC, CH_4, CO, PM, N_2O, NH_3 and fuel consumption from cold start are calculated separately in DEMOS-Road, using the detailed calculation methodology and cold start emission factors from COPERT 5. For SO_2 and CO_2, the extra emissions are derived from the cold start fuel consumption results.

Each trip is associated with cold-start emissions that is assumed to occur during urban driving conditions. The number of trips is distributed evenly across the months. First, cold emission factors are calculated as the hot emission factor times the cold:hot emission ratio. Secondly, the extra emission factor during cold start is found by subtracting the hot emission factor from the cold emission factor. Finally, this extra factor is applied on the part of the total mileage driven during cold start for all vehicles in the specific layer.

The cold:hot ratios depend on the average trip length and the monthly ambient temperature distribution. The Danish temperatures for 2024 are given in Rubek (2025). For previous years, temperature data are taken from similar reports available from The Danish Meteorological Institute (www.dmi.dk).

The cold:hot ratios are equivalent for gasoline fuelled passenger cars and vans, and for diesel passenger cars and vans, respectively, see EMEP/EEA (2025).

For conventional gasoline (pre-Euro 1) and pre-Euro 6 diesel vehicles the extra emissions become:

$$CE_{j,y} = \beta \cdot N_{j,y} \cdot M_{j,y} \cdot EF_{U,j,y} \cdot (CEr - 1) \quad (7)$$

Where CE is the cold extra emissions, β = cold driven fraction, CEr = Cold:Hot ratio.

For gasoline Euro 1-5 catalyst vehicles, the cold:hot ratio is also trip speed dependent. The ratio is, however, unaffected by catalyst wear. The Euro 1 cold:hot ratio is used for all Euro 1-5 catalyst technologies. However, to comply with the gradually stricter Euro 2-5 emission standards, the catalyst light-off temperature must be reached in even shorter periods of time for newer EURO 2-5 standards. Correspondingly, the β-factor for Euro 1 gasoline vehicles is reduced stepwise for Euro 2, 3, 4 and 5, with the β-reduction factor, β_{red}.

For gasoline Euro 1-5 catalyst vehicles, the cold extra emissions are found from:

$$CE_{j,y} = \beta_{red} \cdot \beta_{Euro\ 1} \cdot N_{j,y} \cdot M_{j,y} \cdot EF_{U,j,y} \cdot (CEr_{Euro\ 1} - 1) \quad (8)$$

where β_{red} = the β reduction factor for Euro 2-5.

For Euro 6 and Euro 7 vehicles, the cold extra emissions are found from:

$$CE_{j,y} = \beta_{red,Euro\ 6} \cdot \beta \cdot N_{Euro\ 6,y} \cdot M_{Euro\ 6,y} \cdot EF_{U,Euro\ 6,y} \cdot (CEr_{Euro\ 6} - 1) \quad (9)$$

For CH_4, specific emission factors for cold driven vehicles are included in COPERT 5. The β and β_{red} factors for VOC are used to calculate the cold driven fraction for each relevant vehicle layer. The NMVOC emissions during cold start are found as the difference between the calculated results for VOC and CH_4.

For N_2O and NH_3, specific cold start emission factors are also proposed by COPERT 5. For catalyst vehicles, however, just like in the case of hot emission factors, the emission factors for cold start are functions of cumulated mileage (emission deterioration). The level of emission deterioration also relies on the content of sulphur in the fuel. The deterioration coefficients are given in EMEP/EEA (2025), for the corresponding layer. For cold start, the cut-off mileage and sulphur level interval for hot engines are used, as described in the deterioration factors paragraph.

Cold start emissions from diesel fueled heavy duty trucks are also estimated in DEMOS-Road using the COPERT V methodology. The calculations include the emission components of NO_x, CO and VOC, and consider Euro V, Euro VI and Euro VII trucks of all size categories.

For these vehicle layers, j, each trip is associated with cold start over emissions, and the cold start emissions are assumed to be evenly distributed across urban, rural and highway driving conditions and all months during the year, y.

The extra emissions during cold start are calculated with the following equation:

$$CECOLD_{i,j,y} = \beta_{j,y} \cdot N_{j,y} \cdot M_{j,y} \cdot eCOLD_{i,j} \quad (10)$$

Where

$ECOLD_{i,j}$ = cold-start emissions of pollutant i, produced by vehicle layer j.

$eCOLD_{i,j}$ = cold-start emissions per km of pollutant i produced by vehicle layer j.

$\beta_{j,y}$ = fraction of mileage driven with a cold engine for vehicle of layer j in year y,

$N_{j,y}$ = number of vehicles of layer j,

$M_{j,y}$ = total annual mileage per vehicle of layer j in year y

The beta parameter is calculated as a function of the yearly average trip length for vehicles of layer j, ($ltrip_{j,y}$) with the assumption that the driving distance with a cold engine of a heavy-duty vehicle is 8.25 km. Hence the β = fraction is calculated as follows:

$$\beta_{j,y} = 8.25/ltrip_{j,y} \quad (11)$$

Data for average trip lengths for trucks of different size categories are provided by Statistics Denmark (2025a) for all inventory years.

The cold emission factor depends on the vehicle speed and the monthly ambient temperature distribution, and is calculated for each vehicle layer, j, and emission component, i, as follows:

$$eCOLD_{i,j,y} = A_{i,j} \cdot V + B_{i,j} \cdot ta + C_{i,j} \quad (12)$$

Where:

A, B, C = Regression coefficients for emission component i, and layer y

V = vehicle speed (km/h)

ta = ambient temperature (°C)

Calculation of evaporative emissions from gasoline vehicles

For each year, evaporative emissions of hydrocarbons are calculated for hot and warm running loss, hot and warm soak and diurnal evaporation. The calculations in DEMOS-Road follow the Tier 2 approach in COPERT 5. The basic emission factors are season related (predefined by four ambient temperature intervals), for Danish climate conditions the temperature intervals [-5, 10], [0, 15] and [10, 25] °C are used. The emission factors are shown in more details in EMEP/EEA (2025).

Running loss emissions originate from vapour generated in the fuel tank while the vehicle is running. The distinction between hot and warm running loss emissions depends on engine temperature, i.e. the engine being either hot or cold. The emissions are calculated as annual mileage (broken down into cold and hot mileage totals using the β-factor) times the respective emission factors. For vehicles equipped with evaporation control (catalyst cars) only hot running loss emissions occur.

$$E^R_{j,y} = N_{j,y} \cdot \frac{M_{j,y}}{l_{trip}} \cdot ((1-\beta) \cdot HR + \beta \cdot WR) \quad (13)$$

Where E^R is running loss emissions, l_{trip} = the average trip length, and HR and WR are the hot and warm running loss emission factors, respectively.

Hot and warm soak emissions also occur for carburettor vehicles (no evaporation control), whereas for catalyst cars (evaporation control) only hot soak emissions occur. The soak emissions are calculated as number of trips (broken down into cold and hot trip numbers using the β-factor) times respective emission factors:

$$E^S_{j,y} = N_{j,y} \cdot \frac{M_{j,y}}{l_{trip}} \cdot ((1-\beta) \cdot HS + \beta \cdot WS) \quad (14)$$

Where E^S is the soak emission, l_{trip} = the average trip length, and HS and WS are the hot and warm soak emission factors, respectively.

Average maximum and minimum temperatures per month are used in combination with diurnal emission factors to estimate the diurnal emissions from both carburettor and catalyst vehicles E^D:

$$E^D_{j,y} = 365 \cdot N_{j,y} \cdot e^D \quad (15)$$

Each year's total is the sum of each layer's running loss, soak loss and diurnal emissions.

Energy balance between inventory and sales

The calculated fuel consumption in DEMOS-Road must equal the statistical fuel sale totals according to the UNFCCC and UNECE emissions reporting format.

The statistical fuel sales for road transport are derived from the Danish Energy Authority data (see DEA, 2025a).

For gasoline, the DEA sales data for road transport are adjusted at first, to account for e.g. non-road and recreational craft fuel consumption, which are not directly stated in the statistics. Please refer to paragraph 3.3.3 for further information regarding the transformation of DEA fuel data. Next, the fuel and emission results for all gasoline vehicles are scaled with the percentage difference between the bottom-up gasoline fuel consumption on Danish roads and total gasoline fuel sold.

For diesel, the DEA sales data for road transport are adjusted at first, to account for recreational craft fuel consumption, which are not directly stated in the statistics.

The DEA data for diesel consist of fuel sold in Denmark and used on Danish roads and fuel sold in Denmark and used abroad (diesel border sales). The latter diesel fuel contribution is estimated by the Danish Ministry of Taxation based on studies on fuel price differences across borders, fuel discount for haulage contractors and fuel tanking behaviour of truck and bus operators as well as private cars (see e.g. the Danish Ministry of Taxation, 2015).

The diesel border sales (diesel used abroad) are allocated to truck-trailer and articulated trucks (TT/AT trucks) in two total vehicle weight categories, < 40 tonnes and > 40 tonnes, and coaches.

The distribution of the diesel used abroad is split into the three vehicle categories by using the relative fuel consumption used in Denmark by foreign TT/AT trucks (< 40 tonnes and > 40 tonnes) and coaches (calculated based on mileage driven in Denmark by foreign trucks and coaches (paragraph 3.3.2) and corresponding fuel consumption factors).

The calculated "border" scaling factors of the TT/AT trucks and coaches in the model, i.e. the ratio between the total model fuel consumption (model fuel consumption in Denmark and model fuel consumption abroad) and the model fuel consumption in Denmark for these vehicle categories are shown in (Figure 3.3.25).

The total model fuel consumption for all vehicle categories is subsequently calculated in a first step, as the product of fuel consumption factors and corresponding total mileage, the latter being adjusted for mileage driven outside Denmark, as described above in the case of TT/AT trucks and coaches (adjusted bottom-up diesel fuel consumption).

Next, the percentage difference between the first step model diesel fuel consumption (adjusted bottom-up diesel fuel consumption) and the total diesel fuel sold in Denmark is used to scale fuel and emission results for all diesel vehicles regardless of vehicle category (Figure 3.3.26). The data behind the Figures 3.3.25 and 3.3.26 are also listed in Annex 3.B.8.

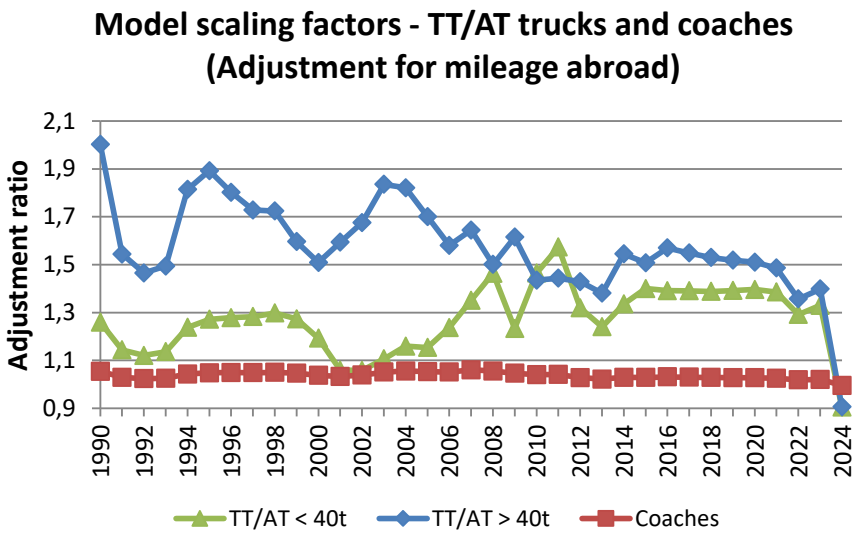


Figure 3.3.25 Fuel and emission adjustment ratios for TT/AT trucks and coaches: Bottom-up fuel consumption plus diesel used abroad vs bottom-up fuel consumption.

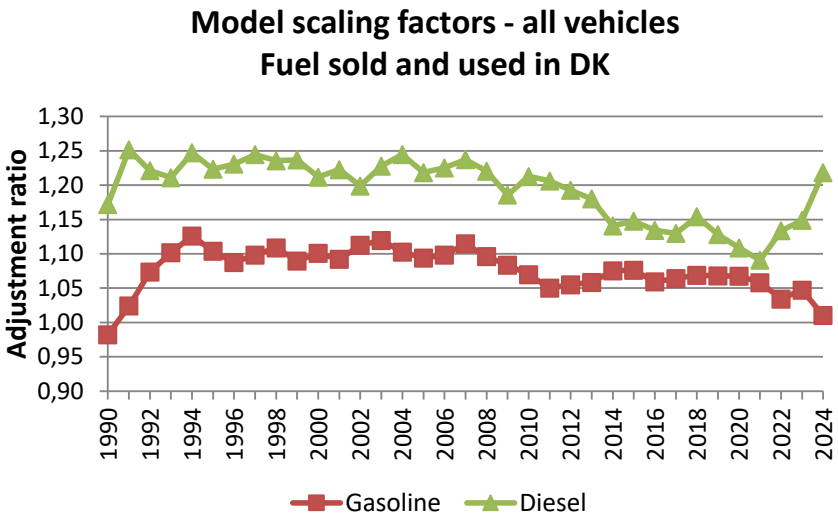


Figure 3.3.26 Gasoline and diesel fuel ratios (fuel and emission adjustment factors) regardless of vehicle category: Fuel sold and used in Denmark vs bottom-up fuel consumption used in Denmark.

The reasons for the differences between DEA sales figures and bottom-up fuel estimates shown in Figure 3.3.26 are mostly due to a combination of the uncertainties related to COPERT 5 fuel consumption factors, allocation of vehicle numbers in sub-categories, annual mileage, trip speeds and mileage splits for urban, rural and highway driving conditions.

The final fuel consumption and emission factors are shown in Annex 3.B.7 for 1985-2024. The total fuel consumption and emissions are shown in Annex 3.B.8, per vehicle category and as grand totals, for 1985-2024 (and CRF format in Annex 3.B.16. In Annex 3.B.15, fuel consumption and emission factors as well as total emissions are given in CollectER format for 1990 and 2024.

In the following Figures 3.3.27 - 3.3.29, the fuel and km related emission factors for CO_2 (km related only), CH_4 and N_2O are shown per vehicle type for the Danish road transport (from 1990-2024).

In 2006 and 2008, respectively, bio ethanol and biodiesel became available from a limited number of gas filling stations in Denmark, and today bio ethanol and biodiesel (FAME) is added to all fuel commercially available. Following the IPCC guideline definitions, biofuels are in principle regarded as CO_2 neutral for the transport sector as such. A small part of carbon (and the associated CO_2 emissions) in biodiesel, however, have a fossil origin due to the use of fossil-derived methanol in the biodiesel production process. This is accounted for in the emission inventories by following the biodiesel fossil carbon content calculation methodology provided by Sempos (2019).

The sulphur content for bio ethanol/biodiesel is assumed to be zero and hence, the aggregated CO_2 (and SO_2) factors for gasoline/diesel have been adjusted, based on the energy content of neat gasoline/diesel and bio ethanol/biodiesel, respectively, in the available fuels.

At present, the Danish road transport fuels only have low biofuel (BF) shares (Table 3.3.7), and hence, no thermal efficiency changes are expected for the fuels. Consequently, the energy based fuel consumption factors (MJ/km) derived from COPERT 5 are used also in this case.

As a function of the current ethanol/biodiesel energy percentage, $BF\%_E$, (Table 3.3.7) the average fuel related CO_2 emission factors, $emf_{CO2,E}(BF\%)$ become:

$$EF_{CO2,E}(BF\%) = EF_{CO2,E}(BF0) \cdot (100 - BF\%_E) \quad (16)$$

Where:

$EF_{CO2,E}(BF\%)$ = average fuel related CO_2 emission factor (g MJ^{-1}) for current BF%

$EF_{CO2,E}(BF0)$ = fuel related CO_2 emission factor (g MJ^{-1}) for fossil fuels

The kilometer based average CO_2 emission factor is subsequently calculated as the product of the fuel related CO_2 emission factor from equation 3 and the energy based fuel consumption factor, $FC_{CO2,E}(BF0)$, derived from COPERT 5:

$$EF_{CO2,km}(BF\%) = EF_{CO2,E}(BF\%) \cdot FC_E(BF0) \quad (17)$$

A literature review carried out in the Danish research project REBECA revealed no significant changes in emission factors between neat gasoline and E5 gasoline-ethanol blends for the combustion related emission components; NO_x, CO and VOC (Winther et al., 2012). Hence, due to the current low ethanol content in today's road transport gasoline, no modifications of the neat gasoline based COPERT emission factors are made in the inventories to account for ethanol usage.

REBECa results published by Winther (2009) have shown that the emission impact of using diesel-biodiesel blends is very small at low biodiesel blend ratios. Consequently, no biofuel emission factor adjustments are needed for diesel vehicles as well. However, adjustment of the emission factors for diesel vehicles will be made if the biodiesel content of road transport diesel fuel increases to a more significant level in the future.

The fuel related CO_2 emission factors for neat gasoline, diesel, CNG and LPG, and for bio ethanol, biodiesel and bio CNG, and the aggregated CO_2 factors are shown in Table 3.3.7. For gasoline and compressed natural gas (CNG) the CO_2

emission factors are country specific. For gasoline, the emission factor source is Fenhann and Kilde (1994). For CNG, the CO_2 emission factor is estimated by the Danish gas transmission company, Energinet.dk, based on gas analysis data (Energinet.dk, 2022). For liquefied petroleum gas (LPG), the emission factor source is EMEP/EEA (2025). For diesel the emission factor source is IPCC (2006) [14].

Table 3.3.7 Fuel-specific CO_2 emission factors and biofuel shares for road transport in Denmark.

Emission factors (g/MJ)																				
Fuel type	1990-2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Neat diesel	74.1	74.1	74.1	74.1	74.1	74.1	74.1	74.1	74.1	74.1	74.1	74.1	74.1	74.1	74.1	74.1	74.1	74.1	74.1	74.1
Neat gasoline	73	73	73	73	73	73	73	73	73	73	73	73	73	73	73	73	73	73	73	73
CNG	56.8	56.8	56.8	56.8	56.8	56.8	56.8	56.8	56.8	56.8	56.8	56.8	56.8	56.8	56.8	56.8	56.8	56.8	56.8	56.
LPG	64.8	64.8	64.8	64.8	64.8	64.8	64.8	64.8	64.8	64.8	64.8	64.8	64.8	64.8	64.8	64.8	64.8	64.8	64.8	64.8
Biodiesel	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2
Bio ethanol	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bio CNG	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Diesel avg.	74.1	74,1	74,1	74,1	74,0	74,1	71,9	69,8	69,6	69,6	69,7	69,7	69,9	70,0	69,6	69,6	69,5	70,0	70.5	69.9
Gasoline avg.	73	72,9	72,8	72,8	72,8	71,8	70,7	70,5	70,6	70,6	70,7	70,7	70,7	70,7	70,7	68,4	68,4	68,5	68.3	67.8
CNG avg.	56.8	56.8	56.8	56.8	56.8	56.8	56.8	56.8	56.8	56.8	56.2	55.1	53.8	52.7	51.1	47.6	44.4	37.8	35.2	35.2
Biofuel share (BF%) of Danish road transport fuels																				
	1990-2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
	0	0,09	0,14	0,12	0,20	0,66	3,1	5,1	5,3	5,3	5,2	5,2	5,1	5,0	5,3	6,4	6,4	5,9	5,6	6.8

[14] A country-specific emission factor for diesel used in road transportation is not available from Danish refineries. Instead, the diesel EF for Danish stationary combustion is assessed, which is from the EU ETS. The average CO_2 EF of diesel burned in stationary Danish sources during 2008-2016 is 74.1 kg/GJ, an EF identical to the IPCC (2006) default data.

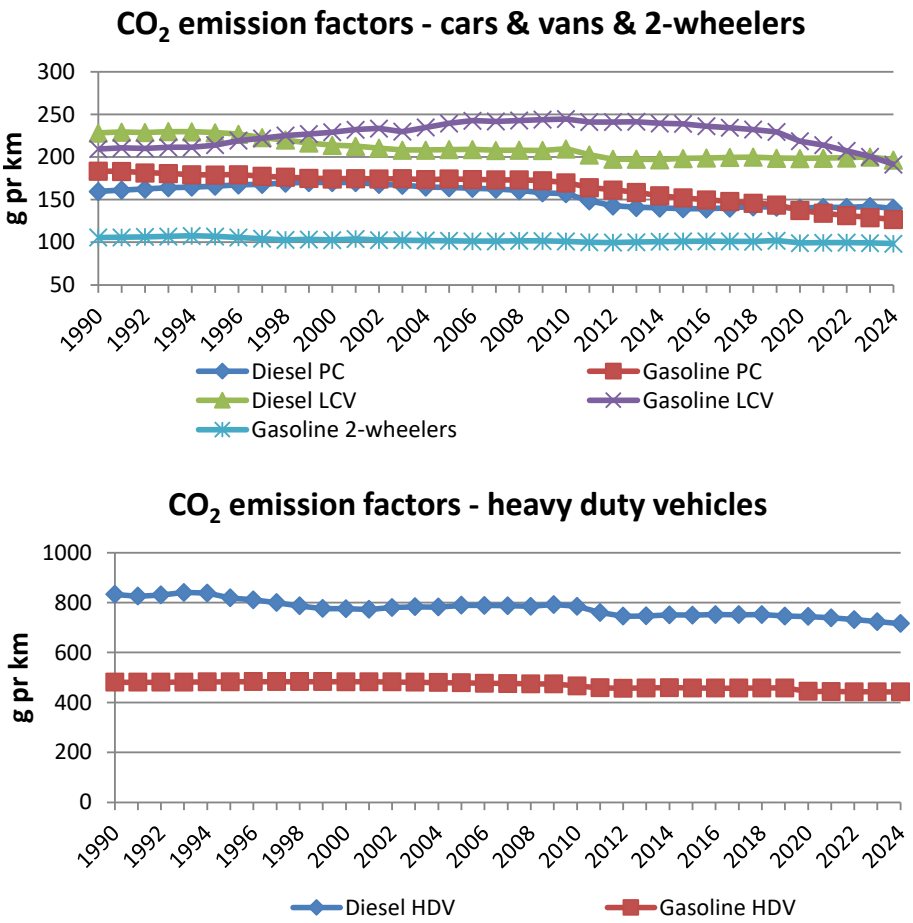


Figure 3.3.27 Km related CO_2 emission factors per vehicle type for Danish road transport (1990-2024).

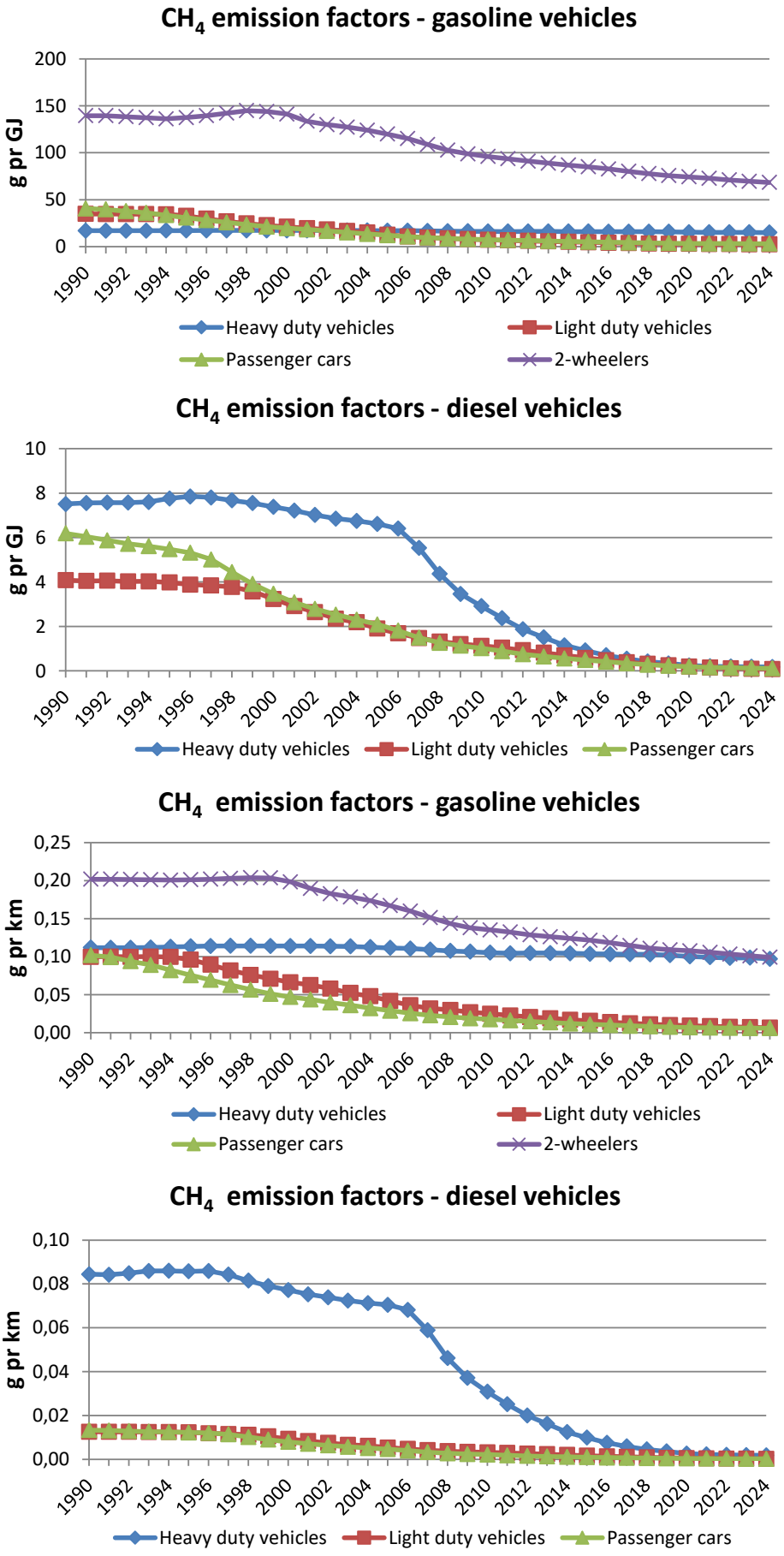


Figure 3.3.28 Fuel and km related CH_4 emission factors per vehicle type for Danish road transport (1990-2024).

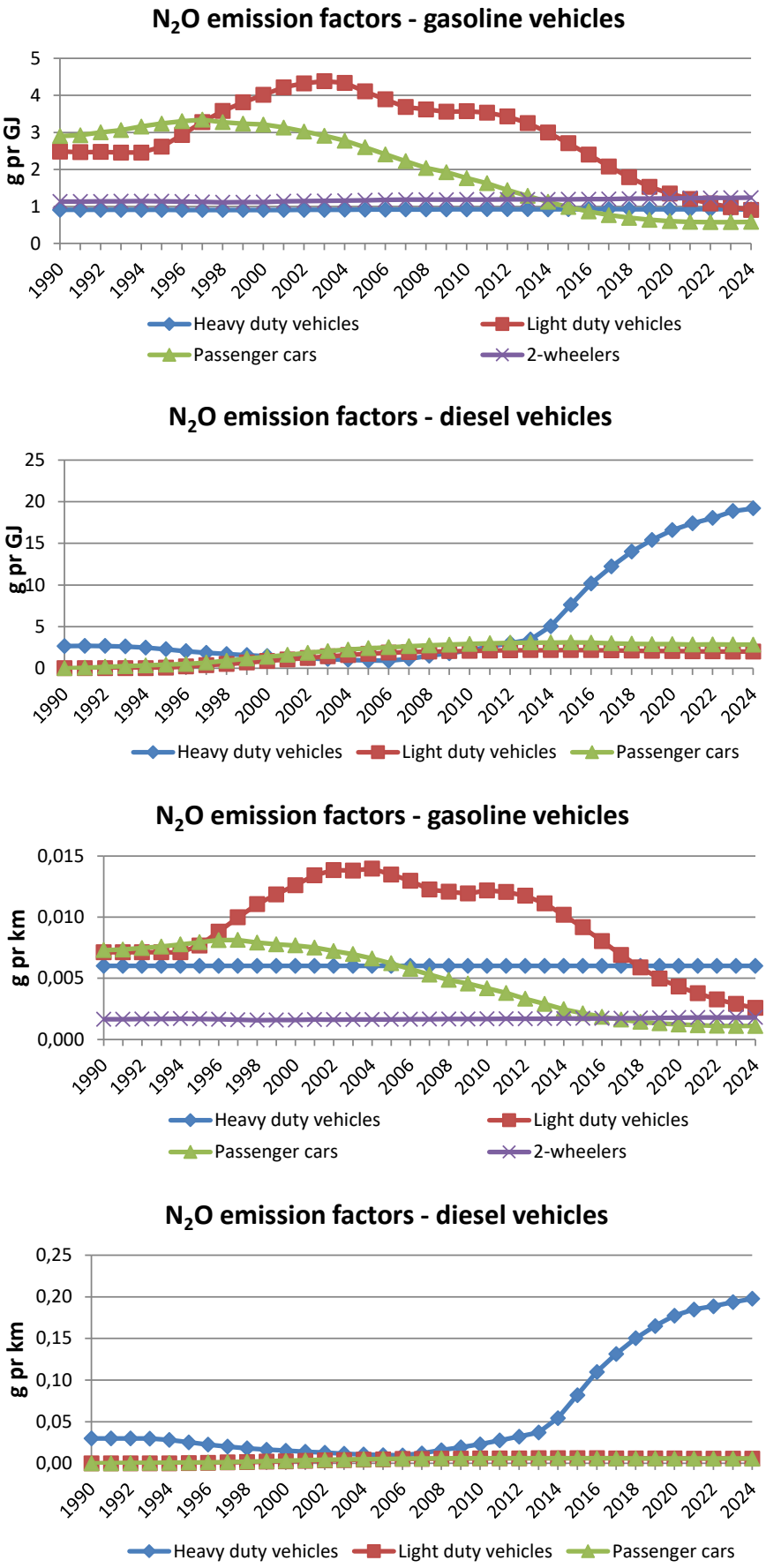


Figure 3.3.29 Fuel and km related N_2O emission factors per vehicle type for Danish road transport (1990-2024).

3.3.3 Methodological issues for other mobile sources

The emission inventories for other mobile sources are divided into several sub-sectors: Civil aviation, national navigation, national fishing, railways, military, and non-road mobile machinery in agriculture, forestry, industry, commercial/institutional and residential.

The emission calculations are made for each sub-sector in the DEMOS model using the detailed method as described in the EMEP/EEA air pollutant emission inventory guidebook (EMEP/EEA, 2025)[15].

Civil Aviation

The activity data used in DEMOS-Aviation consists of air traffic statistics provided by the Danish Civil Aviation and Railway Authority and Copenhagen Airport. Fuel statistics for jet fuel consumption and aviation gasoline are obtained from the Danish energy statistics (DEA, 2025a).

For 2001 onwards, the Danish Civil Aviation and Railway Authority provides data records per flight (city-pairs). Each flight record consists of e.g. ICAO codes for aircraft type, origin and destination airport, maximum take off mass (MTOM), flight call sign and aircraft registration number.

In DEMOS-Aviation, each aircraft type is paired with a representative aircraft type, for which fuel consumption and emission data exist in the EMEP/EEA databank. As a basis, the aircraft type relation table is taken from the Eurocontrol AEM model, which is the primary source for the present EMEP/EEA fuel consumption and emission data[16]. Supplementary aircraft types are assigned to representative aircraft types based on the aircraft type relation table already established in DEMOS-Aviation (e.g. Winther, 2024).

Additional aircraft types that are not present in the aircraft type relation table are identified by using different aircraft dictionaries and internet lookups. To select the most appropriate aircraft representative type, the main selection criterias are the identified aircraft type, aircraft maximum take off mass, engine types, and number of engines. During this sequence, small aircraft with piston engines using aviation gasoline are excluded from the calculations.

Annex 3.B.10 shows the correspondence table between the actual aircraft type codes and representative aircraft types behind the Danish inventory. Annex 3.B.10 also show the number of LTO's (Landing and Take Off's, part of flight below 3000 ft) per representative aircraft type for domestic and international flights starting from Copenhagen Airport and other airports, respectively[17], in a time series from 2001-2024. The airport split is necessary to make due to the differences in LTO emission factors (cf. section 3.3.4).

The same type of LTO activity data for the flights for Greenland and the Faroe Islands are shown in Annex 3.B.10 also, further detailed into origin-destination

[15] For military and other sea vessels than ferries, the simple fuel based method is used.
[16] Fuel consumption and emission factors for helicopters and PM and BC emission factors for turboprops are calculated based on the method described by Rindlisbacher (2015).
[17] Excluding flights for Greenland and the Faroe Islands. These flights are separately listed in Annex 3.B.10.

airport pairs and associated flight distances. This level of detail meets the demand from UNFCCC to provide precise documentation for the part of the inventory for the Kingdom of Denmark being outside the Danish mainland.

The ideal flying distance (great circle distance) between the city-pairs is calculated by DCE in a separate database. The calculation algorithm uses a global latitude/altitude coordinate table for airports. In cases when airport coordinates are not present in DEMOS-Aviation, these are looked up on the internet and entered the database accordingly. In practise, the actual distance flown are longer than the great circle distance between two airports, and in addition, the LTO flight phase has an extent of 15 NM. This is accounted for in DEMOS-Aviation, as explained in section 3.3.4.

For inventory years prior to 2001, detailed LTO/aircraft type statistics are obtained from Copenhagen Airport (for this airport only), while information of total take off numbers for other Danish airports is provided by the Danish Civil Aviation and Railway Authority. The assignment of representative aircraft types for Copenhagen Airport is done as described above. For the remaining Danish airports, representative aircraft types are not directly assigned. Instead, appropriate average assumptions are made relating to the fuel consumption and emission data part.

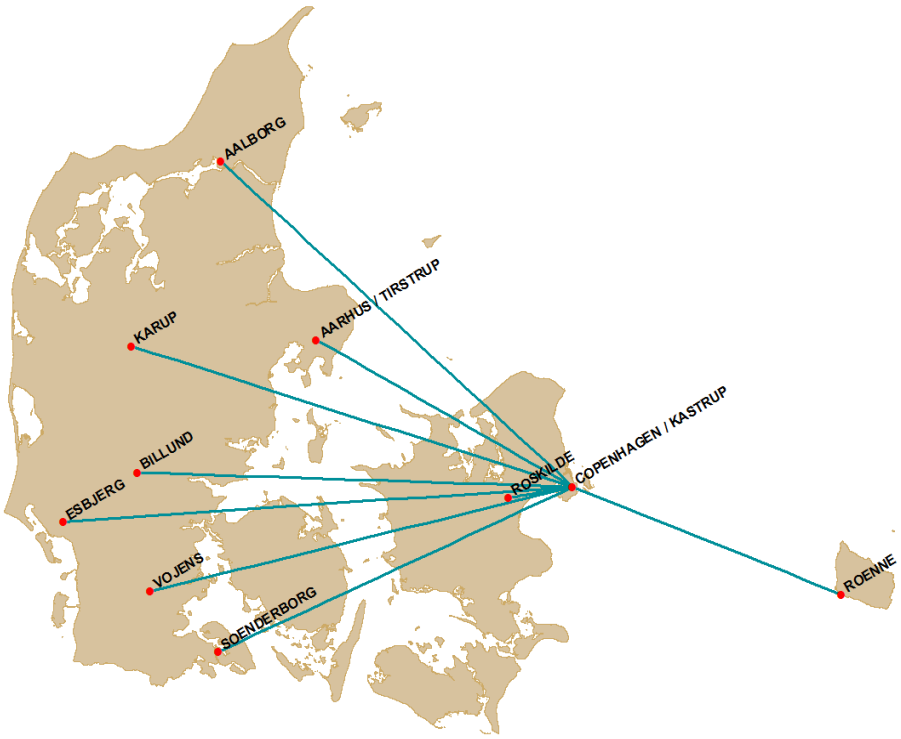


Figure 3.3.30 Most frequent domestic flying routes for large aircraft in Denmark.

Copenhagen Airport is the starting or end point for most of the domestic aviation made by large aircraft in Denmark (Figure 3.3.30; routes to Greenland/Faroe Islands are not shown). Even though many domestic flights not touching Copenhagen Airport are also reported in the flight statistics kept by the Danish Civil Aviation and Railway Authority, these flights, however, are predominantly made with small piston engine aircraft using aviation gasoline. Hence, the consumption of jet fuel by flights not using Copenhagen Airport is merely marginal.

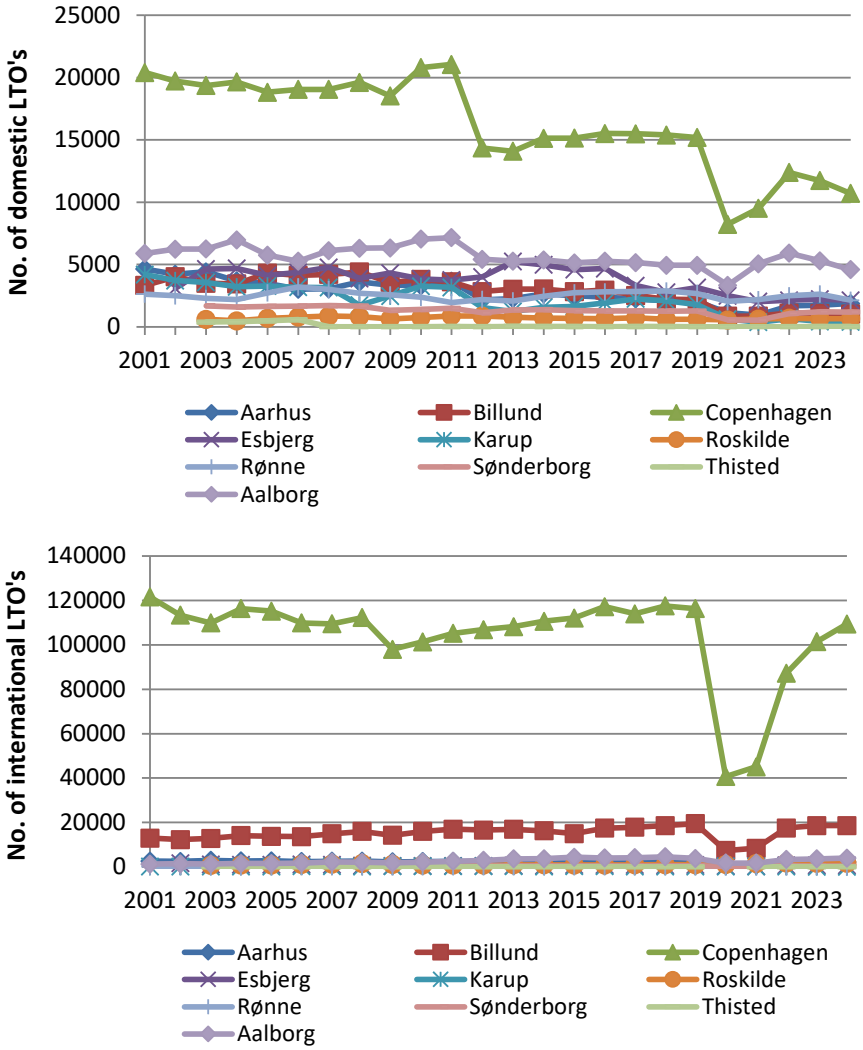


Figure 3.3.31 No. of LTO's for the most important airports in Denmark 2001-2024.

Figure 3.3.31 shows the number of domestic and international LTO's for Danish airports[18], in a time series from 2001-2024.

Non-road mobile machinery and recreational craft

Non-road mobile machinery is used in the agricultural, forestry, industrial, commercial/institutional and residential sectors, and the activity data are gathered from numerous sources. The activity data for non-road mobile machinery are described in the following together with activity data for recreational craft.

Detailed tractor fleet data for 2003-2020 and total numbers 1950-2002 for tractors in the Danish motor register are provided by Statistics Denmark (2021a, 2021b).

Total numbers for tractors (tractors in motor register and other tractors) for 1982-2005 are provided by Statistics Denmark (2021c). Total numbers for tractors (tractors in motor register and other tractors) for 1974-1981 are found in consecutive statistical publications e.g. Agricultural statistics 1974 (Statistics Denmark, 1975), as well as supplementary stock numbers per fuel type (diesel and gasoline).

[18] Flights for Greenland and the Faroe Islands are included under domestic in the figure.

Supplementary new sales data in kW classes are provided by the Association of Danish Agricultural Machinery Dealers for 1982-2018. Engine load factors and annual working hours for tractors come from Bak et al. (2003).

Number of forestry machines, engine size, annual working hours and average lifetimes are provided by the Danish Forest Association (Clemmensen, 2024).

For the most important types of building and construction machinery used in industry annual new sales data for 1996 onwards has been provided by the Association of Danish Agricultural Machinery Dealers (Fasting, 2025).

Forklift sales data has been provided by the Association of Producers and Distributors of Forklifts in Denmark for 1976-2019. Further, WITS (World Industrial Truck Sales) and FEM (Federation European Material) forklift sales figures for Denmark in 2000-2024 as well as branch distribution information has been provided by Toyota Material Handling (Christensen, 2025).

For telescopic loaders, branch distribution information has been provided by Scantruck (Faurby, 2021).

From engine manufacturers engine load factors have been provided based on electronic engine power registrations (Sjøgren 2016; Mikkelsen 2016) in the case of building and construction machinery. Further, equipment size - engine size relations, equipment scrapping curves and annual working hours as a function of machinery age has been included in the model (Sjøgren 2016; Mikkelsen 2016; Brun 2018; Christensen 2018).

The share of Stage IIIB and IV diesel engines used in the building and construction sector with preinstalled diesel particle filters, has been estimated in different engine size classes, based on questionnaire answers from the most important mobile machinery manufacturers and Danish machinery importers (Winther, 2022b).

For the most important types of household and gardening machinery used in Commercial/institutional and Residential, annual new sales data for 2006 onwards is provided by the Association for Industrial Technics, Tools and Automation (BITVA: Brancheforeningen for industriel teknik, værktøj og automation), see Gade (2025). Until 2018 new sales data was provided by the Dealers Association of Electric Tools and Gardening Machinery (LTEH: Leverandørforeningen for Transportabelt Elværktøj og Havebrugsmaskiner). Further, equipment size - engine size relations, equipment scrapping curves and annual working hours as a function of machinery age has been provided by LTEH (Nielsen and Schösser, 2016) and by Nielsen (2022) and Schösser (2022).

The total number of refrigerating units for long distance transport trucks has been estimated for 1990 and 2021 by Teknologisk Institut (1992, 2022). Based on these data, a linear development in the number of refrigerating units from 1990 to 2023 has been assumed. For distribution lorries, the total number of refrigerating units has been estimated for 1990 by Teknologisk Institut (1992), and a proportional increase in the number of units has been assumed based on the development in the number of Danish inhabitants from 1990 to 2024.

For a remaining group of non-road mobile machinery types with low emission contributions (e.g. pumps, generators, compressors), total stock numbers from 1990 to 2024 have been estimated based on 1990 stock numbers from

Teknologisk Institut (1992, 1993) and a proportional development of the stock numbers with GDP. For these machinery types, load factors, engine sizes and annual working hours have been gathered by Winther et al. (2006).

The stock development from 1990-2024 for the most important types of machinery are shown in Figures 3.3.32-3.3.39 below. The stock data are also listed in Annex 2.B.11, together with figures for load factors, engine sizes and annual working hours. As regards stock data for the remaining machinery types, please refer to Winther et al. (2006) and Winther (2023).

It is important to note that key experts in the field of industrial non-road activities assume a significant decrease in the activities for 2009 due to the global financial crisis. This reduction is in the order of 25 % for 2009 for industrial non-road activities in general (pers. comm. Per Stjernqvist, Volvo Construction Equipment 2010). For forklifts 5 % and 20 % activity reductions are assumed for 2008 and 2009, respectively (pers. comm. Peter H. Møller, Rocla A/S).

For tractors used in Agriculture, Industry and Commercial/institutional and for harvesters, the total number per year are shown in the Figures 3.3.32-3.3.33, respectively.

For the tractors used in agriculture and for harvesters, the developments towards fewer vehicles and larger engines, shown in Figure 3.3.34, are very clear. From 1990 to 2024, tractor and harvester numbers decrease by around 51 % and 75 %, respectively, whereas the average increase in engine size for tractors is 109 % and 356 % for harvesters, in the same period.

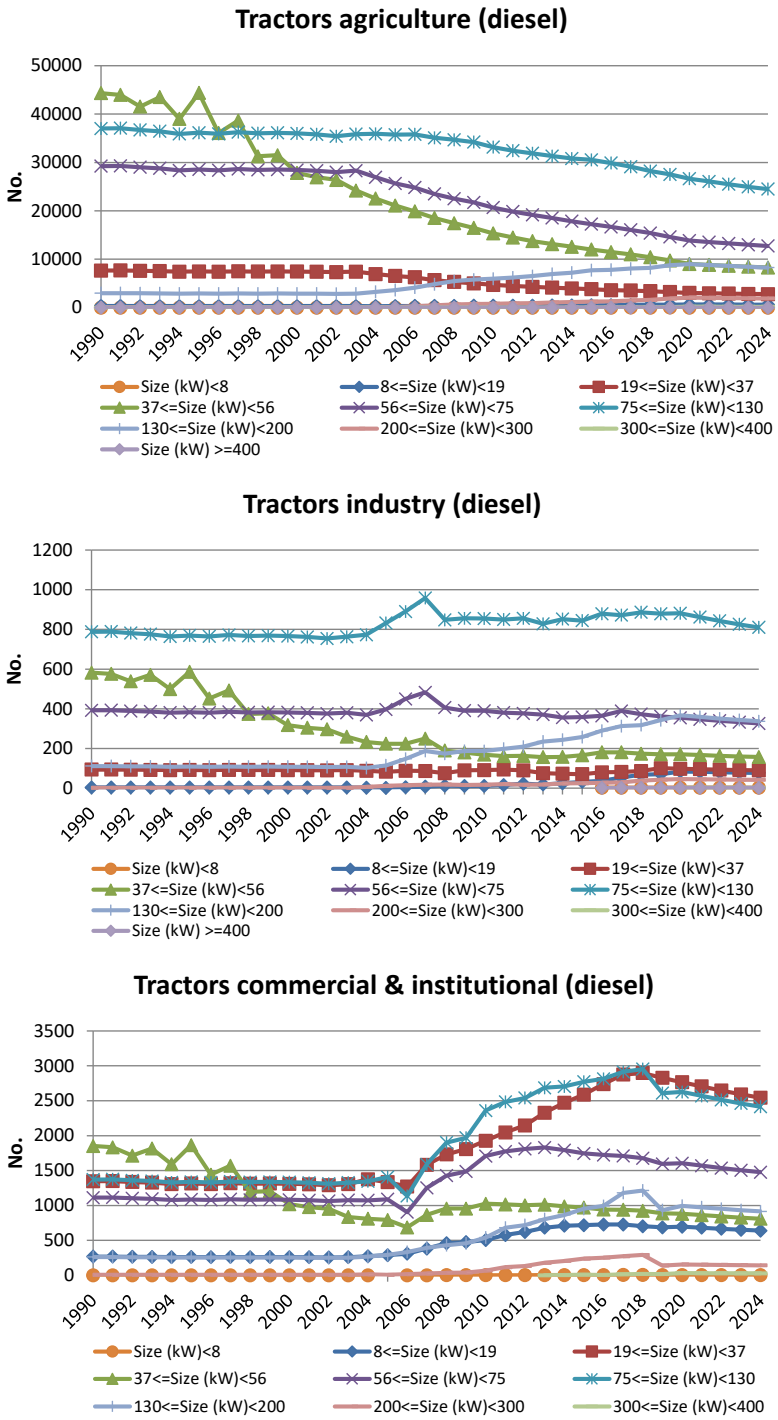


Figure 3.3.32 Total numbers in kW classes for tractors in agriculture, industry and commercial/institutional from 1990 to 2024.

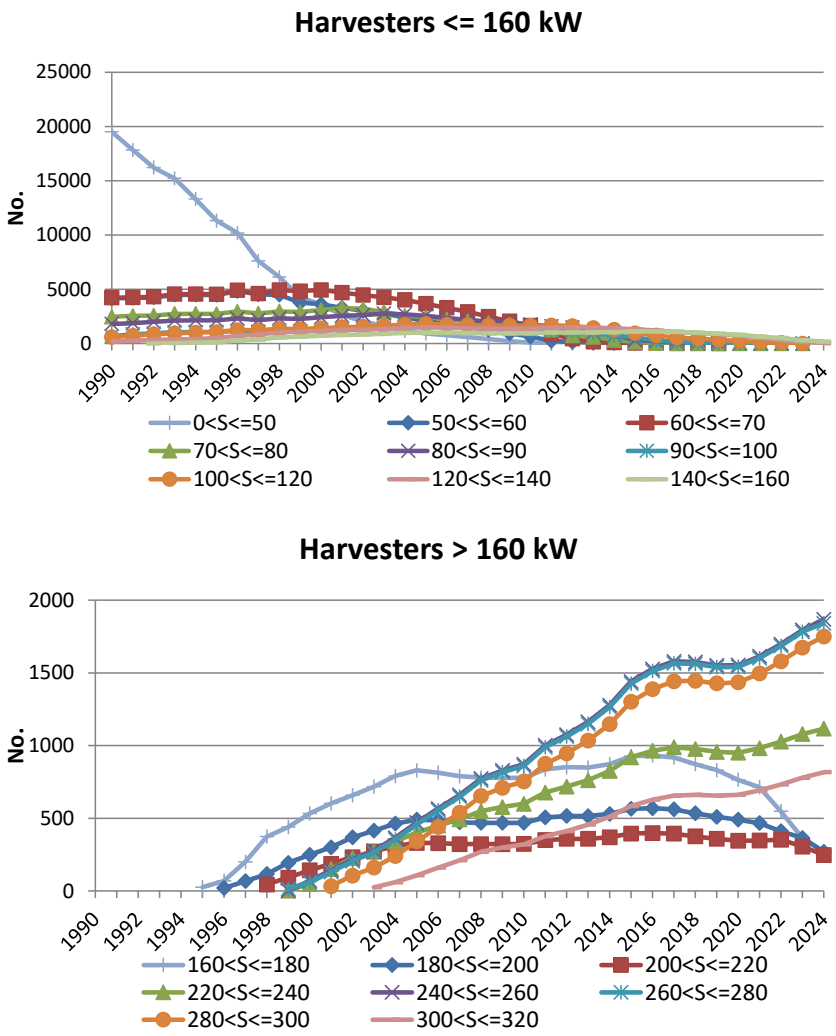


Figure 3.3.33 Total numbers in kW classes for harvesters from 1990 to 2024.

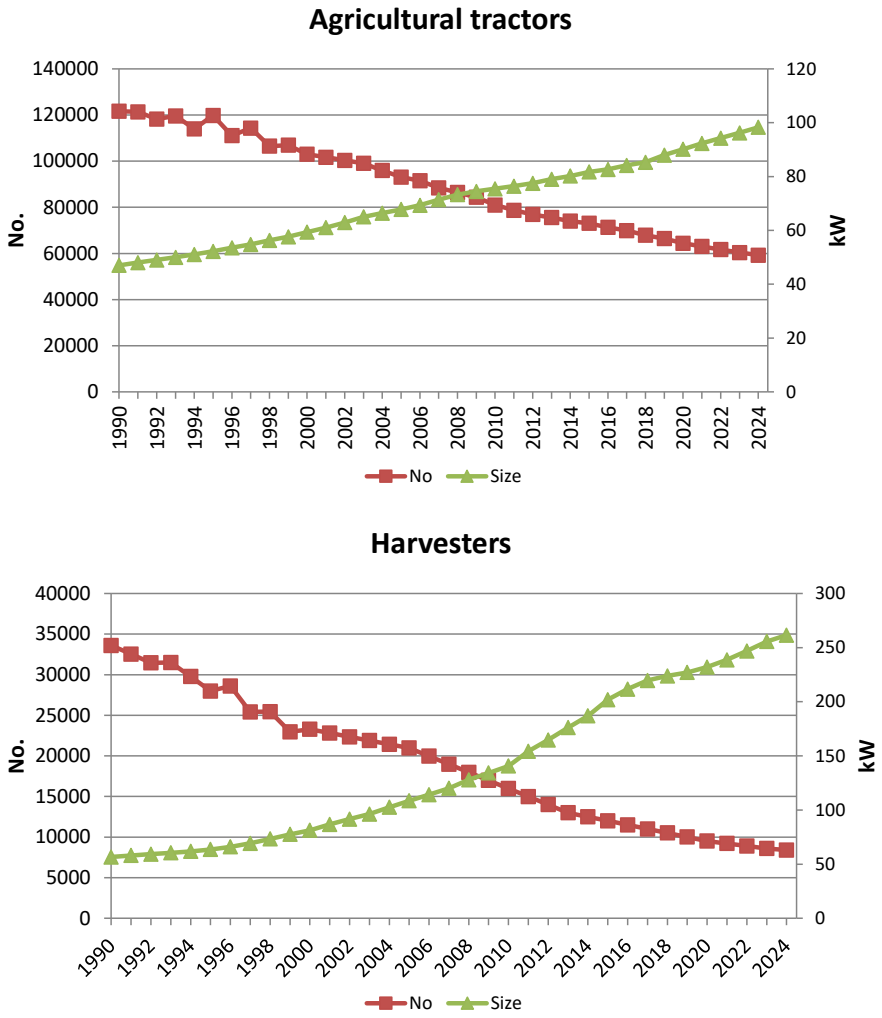


Figure 3.3.34 Total numbers and average engine size for agricultural tractors and harvesters (1990 to 2024).

The most important non-road machinery types for industry are different types of construction machinery and forklifts. The Figures 3.3.35 and 3.3.36 show the 1990-2024 stock development for specific types of construction machinery and diesel forklifts. Due to lack of data, 1996-1999 average sales data for construction machinery is used for 1995 and back. However, it is assumed that telescopic loaders first enter use in 1986 (Jensen, Scantruck 2016). For most of the machinery types, there is an increase in machinery numbers from 1990 onwards, due to increased construction activities.

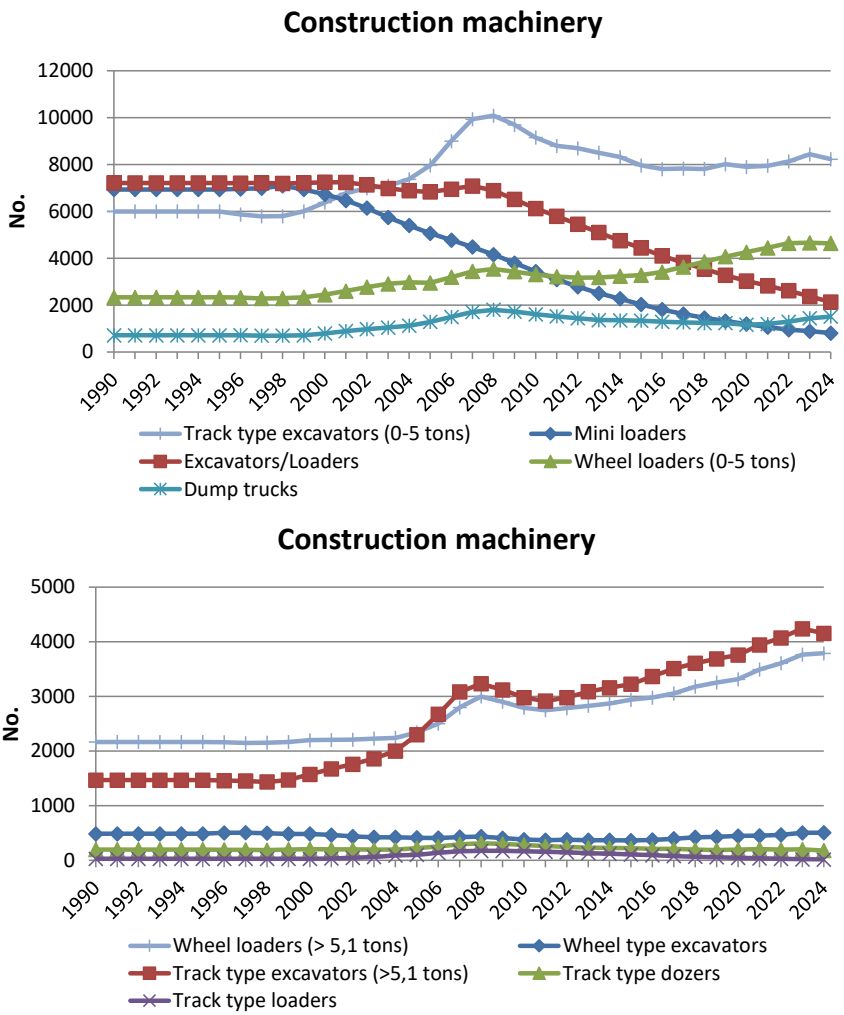


Figure 3.3.35 1990-2024 stock development for specific types of construction machinery.

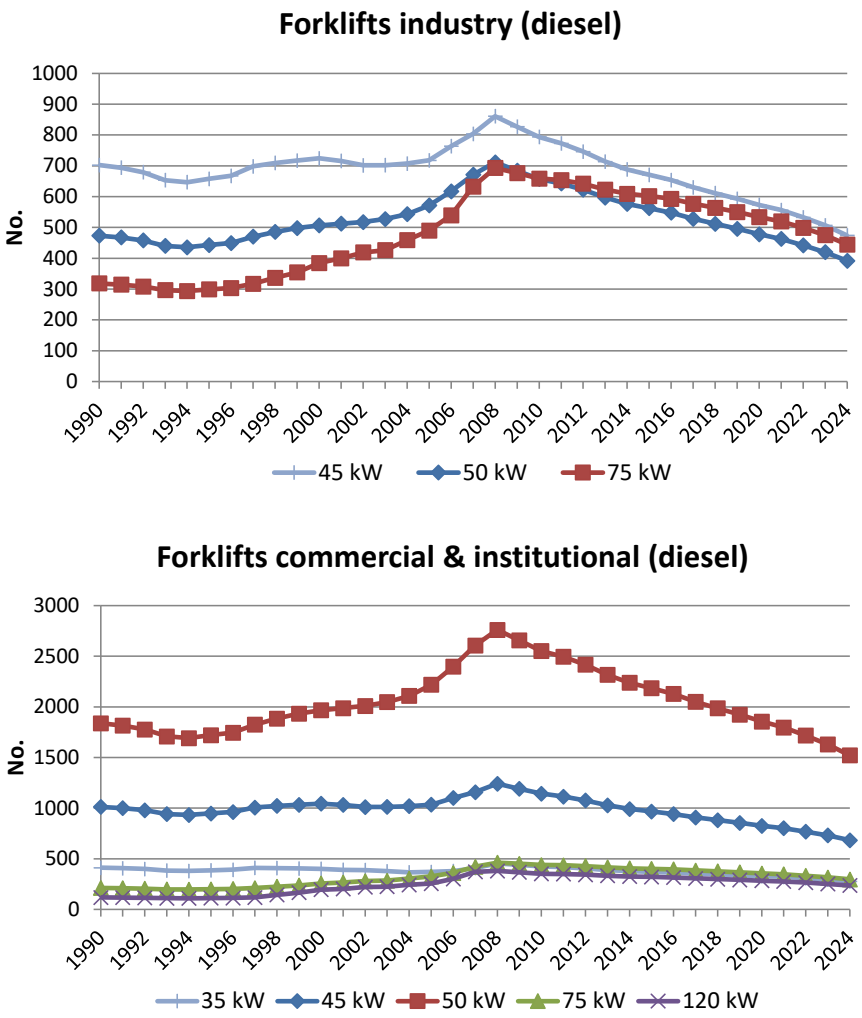
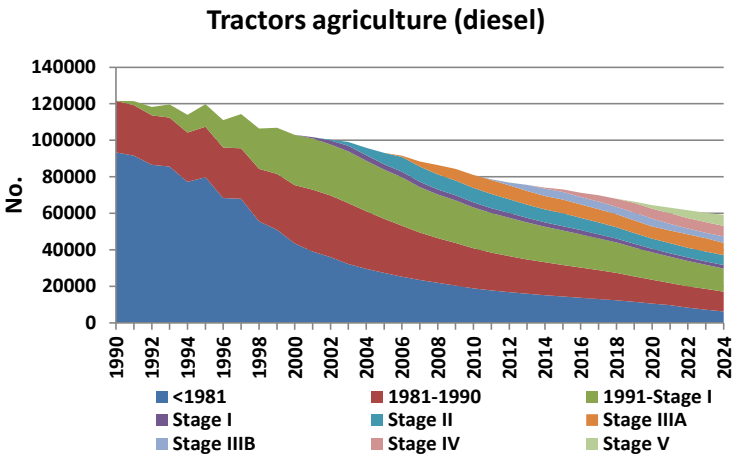


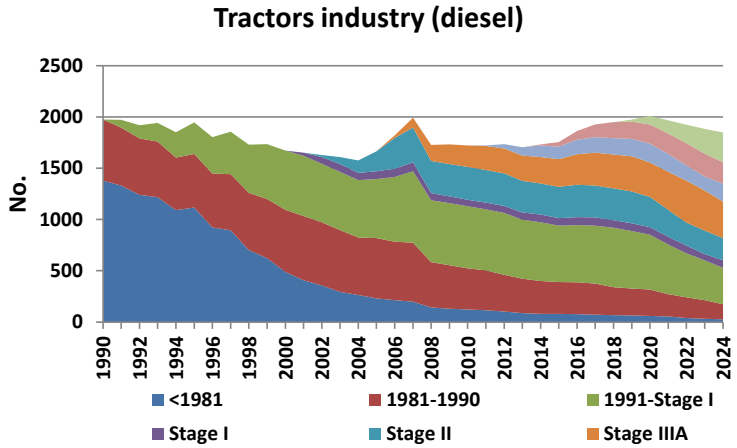
Figure 3.3.36 Total numbers of diesel forklifts in kW classes from 1990 to 2024.

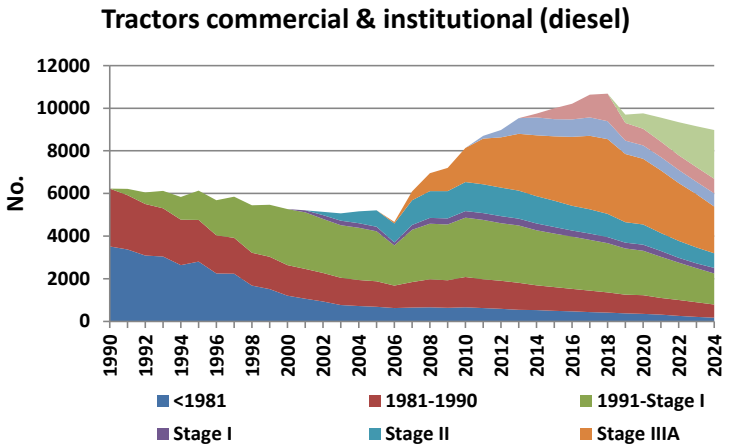
Figure 3.3.37 shows the emission layer distribution for the total stock of tractors, harvesters, construction machinery (most important types, Figure 3.3.35) and diesel forklifts from 1990-2024.

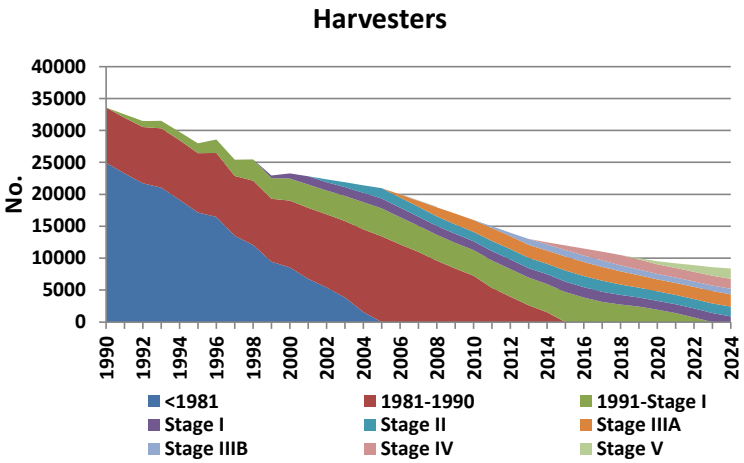
The penetration of the different pre-Euro engine classes, and engine stages complying with the gradually stricter EU stage I-V emission limits is very visible from Figure 3.3.37.

The EU emission directive stage implementation years relate to engine size, and hence, for all four machinery groups the emission level shares into specific size segments will differ slightly from the picture shown in Figure 3.3.37.









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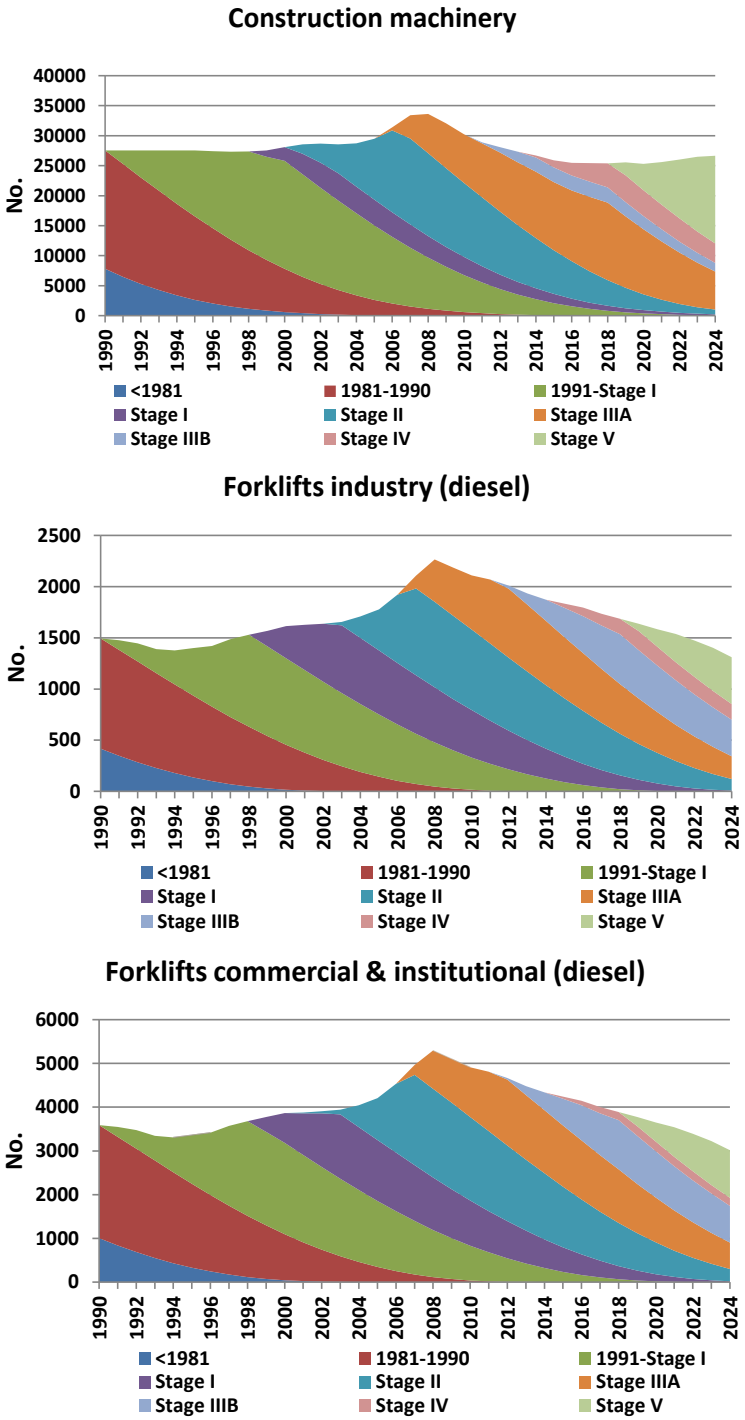


Figure 3.3.37 Layer distribution for tractors, harvesters, construction machinery and diesel forklifts (1990 to 2024).

The 1990-2024 stock development for the most important household and gardening machinery types is shown in Figure 3.3.38. The activities made with private and professional equipment types are grouped into the Residential (1.A.4b) and Commercial/institutional (1.A.4.a) inventory sectors, respectively.

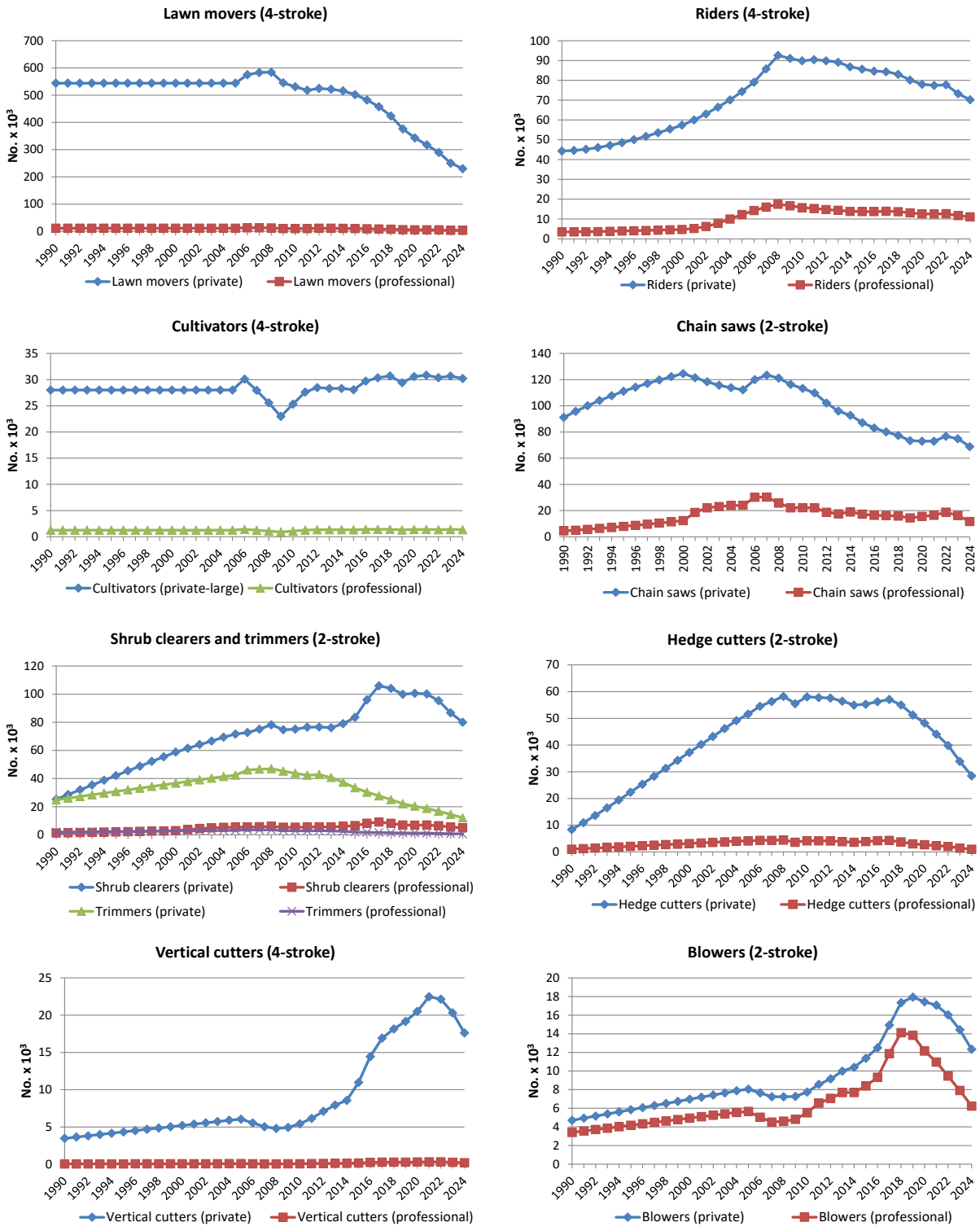


Figure 3.3.38 Stock development 1990-2024 for the most important household and gardening machinery types.

The total stock development for the most important household and gardening machinery types is shown in Figure 3.3.39 split into 2-stroke and 4-stroke machinery for Residential (1.A.4b) and Commercial/institutional (1.A.4.a). For the same stock division, the emission layer distribution is also shown in Figure 3.3.39. The penetration of new technologies occurs faster for working machinery in Commercial/institutional (1.A.4.a) compared with Residential (1.A.4.b), due to the shorter maximum lifetimes for the working equipment used by professionals.

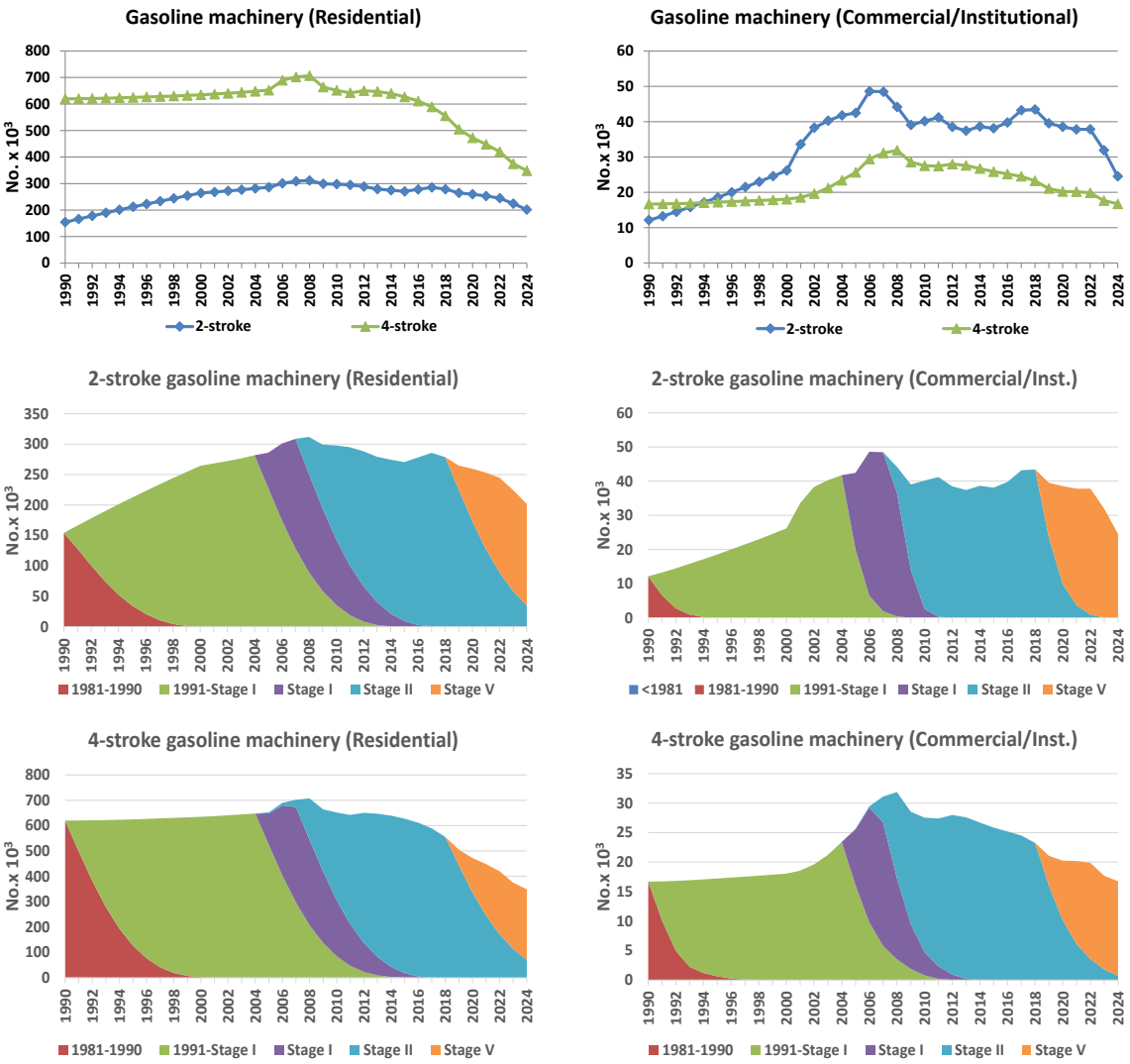


Figure 3.3.39 Layer distribution for the most important household and gardening machinery types split into residential and commercial/institutional (1990-2024).

Figure 3.3.40 shows the development in numbers of different recreational craft from 1990-2024. The 2004 stock data for recreational craft are used for 2005+, due to lack of data from the Danish Sailing Association.

For diesel boats, increases in stock and engine size are expected during the whole period, except for the number of motorboats (< 27 ft.) and the engine sizes for sailing boats (<26 ft.), where the figures remain unchanged. A decrease in the total stock of sailing boats (<26 ft.) by 21 % and increases in the total stock of yawls/cabin boats and other boats (<20 ft.) by around 25 % are expected. Due to a lack of information specific to Denmark, the shifting rate from 2-stroke to 4-stroke gasoline engines is based on a German non-road study (IFEU, 2004).

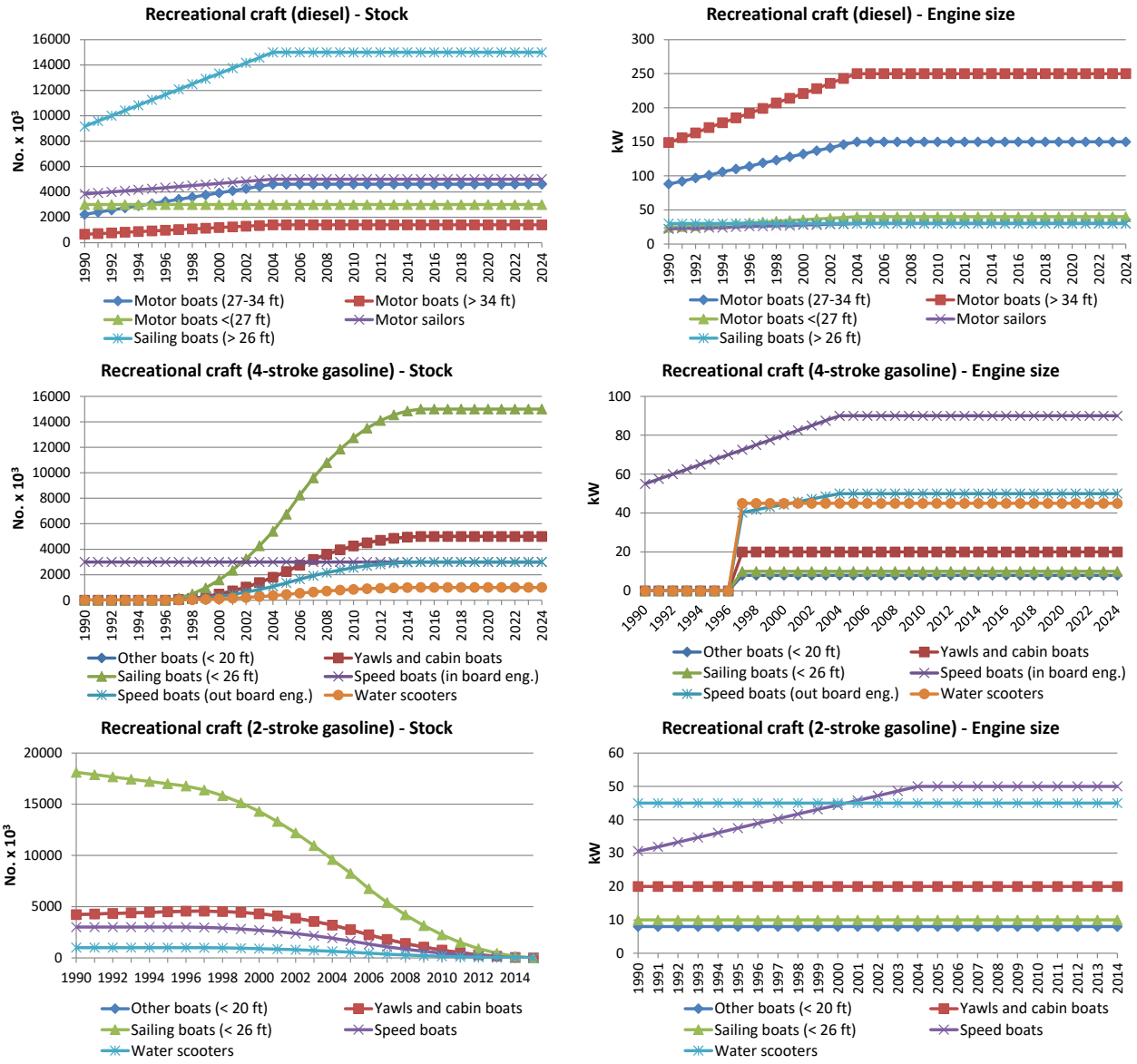


Figure 3.3.40 1990-2024 Stock and engine size development for recreational craft.

National Navigation

National navigation includes the activities made by domestic ferries, fuel sold in Denmark and used for freight transport between Denmark and Greenland or the Faroe Island, and fuel used for the remaining part of the traffic between two Danish ports.

Table 3.3.8 lists the most important domestic ferry routes (regional ferries) in Denmark in the period 1990-2024. For these ferry routes and the years 1990-2005, the following detailed traffic and technical data have been gathered by Winther (2008): Ferry name, engine size (MCR), engine type, fuel type, average load factor, auxiliary engine size, share of annual trips and sailing time (single trip).

For 2006-2024, the above mentioned traffic and technical data for specific ferries have been provided by Riis-Sørensen (2025) in the case of Mols-Linien (Sjællands Odde-Ebeltoft, Sjællands Odde-Århus, Kalundborg-Århus, Køge-Rønne, Tårs-Spodsbjerg), by Jørgensen (2017) for Færgen A/S (Køge-Rønne, Tårs-Spodsbjerg, Kalundborg-Samsø), by Kruse (2015) for Samsø Rederi (Hou-Sælvig), by Mortensen (2015) for Færgeselskabet Læsø (Frederikshavn-Læsø)

and by Eriksen (2017) for Ærøfærgerne (Svendborg-Ærøskøbing). For Esbjerg/Hanstholm/Hirtshals-Torshavn traffic and technical data have been provided by Dávastovu (2010).

Table 3.3.8 Regional ferry routes in the Danish inventory.

Ferry service	Service period
Esbjerg-Torshavn	1990-1995, 2009+
Halsskov-Knudshoved	1990-1999
Hanstholm-Torshavn	1991-1992, 1999+
Hirtshals-Torshavn	2010
Hou-Sælvig	1990+
Hundested-Grenaa	1990-1996
Frederikshavn-Læsø	1990+
Kalundborg-Juelsminde	1990-1996
Kalundborg-Samsø	1990+
Kalundborg-Århus	1990+
Korsør-Nyborg, DSB	1990-1997
Korsør-Nyborg, Vognmandsruten	1990-1999
København-Rønne	1990-2004
Køge-Rønne	2004+
Sjællands Odde-Ebeltoft	1990+
Sjællands Odde-Århus	1999+
Svendborg-Ærøskøbing	1990+
Tårs-Spodsbjerg	1990+

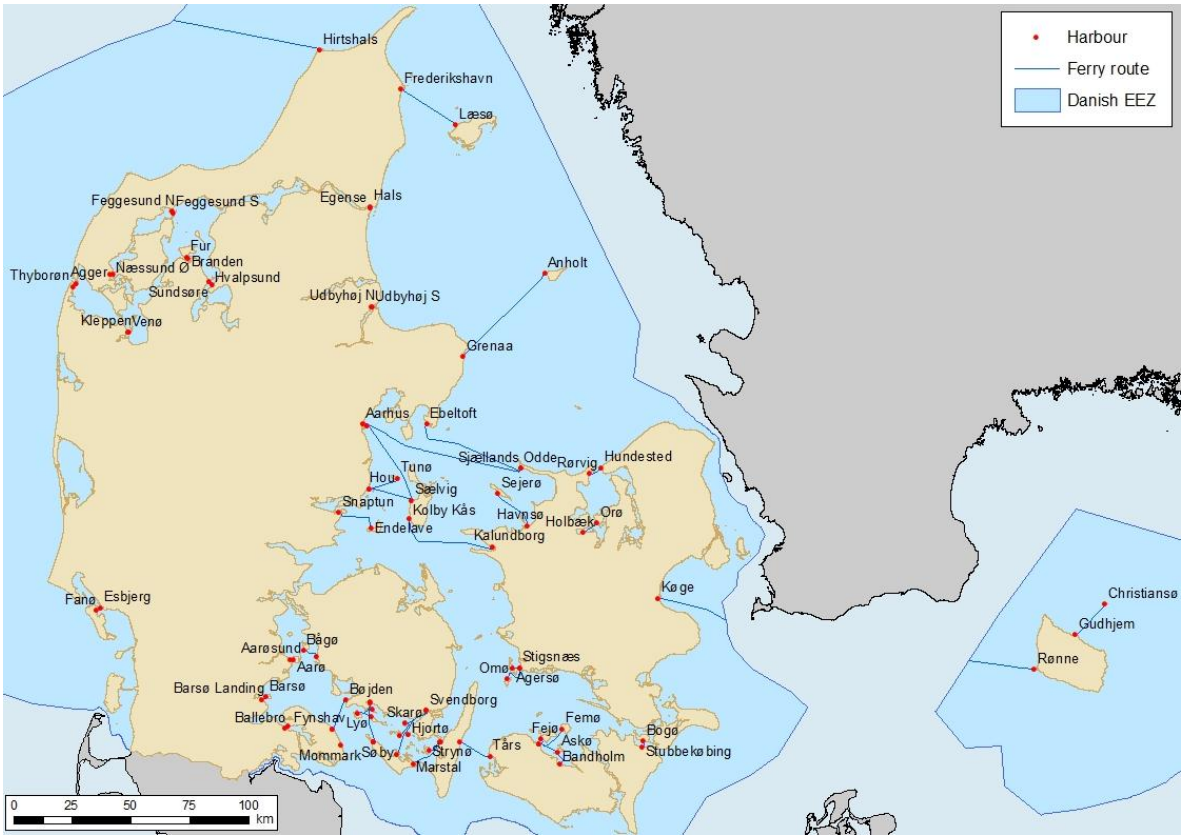


Figure 3.3.41 Domestic ferry routes in Denmark (2024).

Table 3.3.9 lists the small ferry routes (island and short cut ferries) included in the Danish inventory for the period 1990-2024. For these ferry routes and the years 1990-2024, the following detailed traffic and technical data have been

gathered by Rasmussen (2017) and Andersen (2019): Ferry name, engine size (MCR), engine year, share of annual trips and sailing time (single trip). Supplementary data for engine type, fuel type and average load factor is provided by Kristensen (2017).

Table 3.3.9 Small ferry routes in the Danish inventory.

Ferry service	Service period
Assens-Baagø	1990+
Ballebro-Hardeshøj	1990+
Bandholm-Askø	1990+
Barsø Landing-Barsø	2018+
Branden-Fur	1990+
Bøjden-Fynshav	1990+
Esbjerg-Fanø	1990+
Feggesund overfart	1990+
Fejø-Kragenæs	1990+
Femø-Kragenæs	1990+
Frederikssund-Roskilde	1999-2000
Fåborg-Avernakø-Lyø	1990+
Fåborg-Søby	1990+
Grenaa-Anholt	1990+
Gudhjem-Christiansø	2015+
Hals-Egense	1994+
Havnsø-Sejerø	1990+
Holbæk-Orø	1990+
Horsens-Endelave	1990+
Hov-Tunø	1990+
Hundested-Rørvig	1990+
Hvalpsund-Sundsøre	1990+
Kastrup-Rønne	1990
Kleppen-Venø	1990+
Korsør-Lohals	1990+
Kragenæs-Askø	2020+
København-Århus	1992-1993
Næssund overfart	1990+
Rudkøbing-Marstal	-2013
Rudkøbing-Strynø	1990+
Stigsnæs-Agersø	1990+
Stigsnæs-Omø	1990+
Stubbekøbing-Bogø	1990+
Svendborg-Skarø-Drejø	1990+
Sælvig-Aarhus	2021+
Søby-Fynshav	2009+
Søby-Mommark	-2009
Thyborøn-Agger	1990+
Udbyhøj Nord - Udbyhøj Syd	2017+
Aarø-Aarøsund	1990+

The number of round trips per ferry route from 1990 to 2024 is provided by Statistics Denmark (2025b). Figure 3.3.41 show all ferry routes in use in 2024 (Esbjerg/Hanstholm/Hirtshals-Torshavn not shown).

For all ferry routes, detailed data in terms of ferry name, engine size (MCR), engine type, fuel type, average load factor, auxiliary engine size, number of trips and sailing time (single trip) is shown in Annex 3.B.12 for the years 1985-2024. There is a lack of historical traffic data for 1985-1989, and hence, data for

1990 are used for these years, to support the fuel consumption and emission calculations.

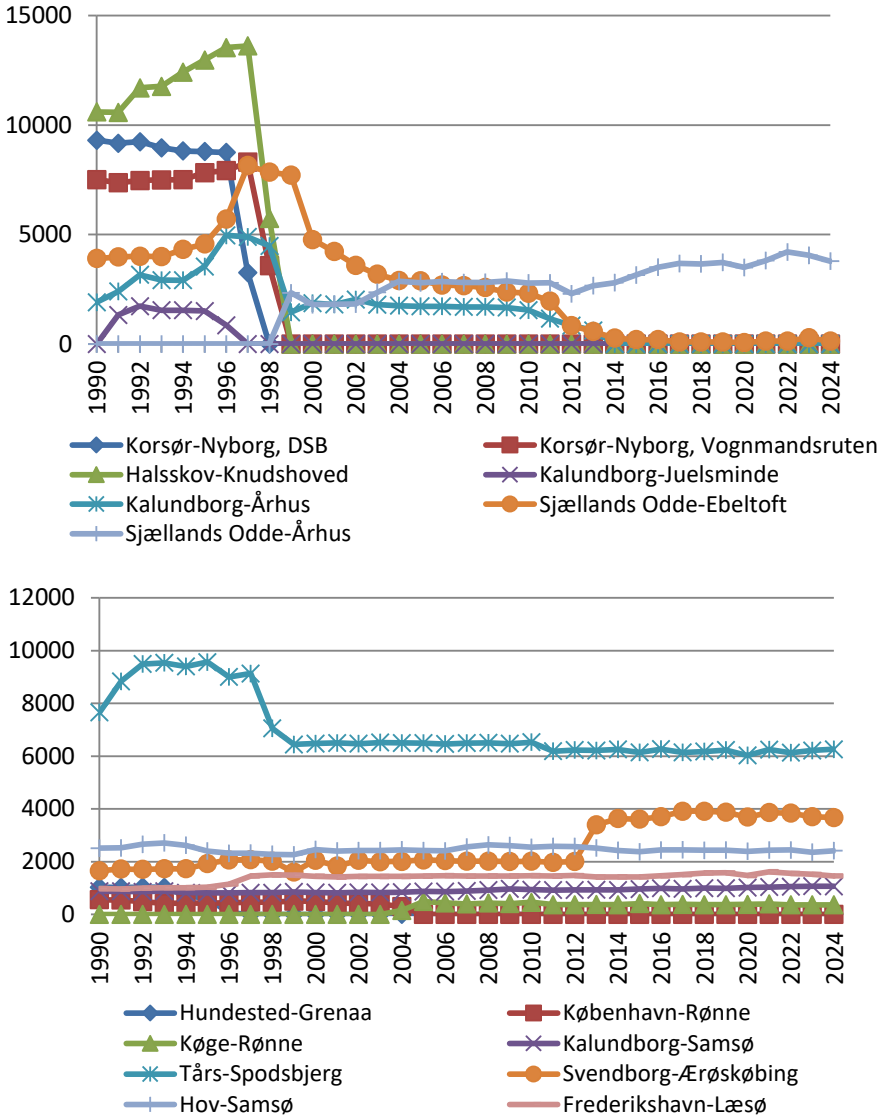


Figure 3.3.42 No. of round trips for the most important ferry routes in Denmark 1990-2024.

It is seen from Table 3.3.8 (and Figure 3.3.42) that several ferry routes were closed in the period from 1996-1998, mainly due to the opening of the Great Belt Bridge (connecting Zealand and Funen) in 1997. Hundested-Grenaa and Kalundborg-Juelsminde was closed in 1996, Korsør-Nyborg (DSB) closed in 1997, and Halsskov-Knudshoved and Korsør-Nyborg (Vognmandsruten) was closed in 1998. The ferry line København-Rønne was replaced by Køge-Rønne in 2004 and from 1999, a new ferry connection was opened between Sjællands Odde and Århus.

The fuel sold for freight transport by Royal Arctic Line between Aalborg (Denmark) and Greenland is included under other national sea transport in the Danish inventories. In this case all fuel is bought in Denmark (Bruzzichini, 2025). The fuel used by freight transport between Denmark and the Faroe Islands (Eimskip) is bought outside Denmark (Helgason, 2025), and hence, not included in the Danish inventories.

Fuel used for the remaining part of the traffic between two Danish ports, classified as other national sea transport, is taken as the difference between 1) DEA national fuel sales for national sea transport minus fuel consumption at Danish offshore installations (offshore reduced fuel sales[19]) and 2) the bottom-up calculated fuel consumption for Danish ferries.

For years when the fuel estimates for ferries (not including the ferry to the Faroe Islands) are higher than the "offshore reduced" fuel sold for national sea transport, fuel is taken from fisheries in the case of marine diesel (1985-1999). For heavy fuel oil, the missing fuel amount is taken from stationary sources (1985-1986, 1988, 1994-1996) and international sea transport (2015 onwards).

The LNG fuel calculated for Danish ferries differ from the LNG fuel sales for national navigation reported in the DEA fuel statistics. Subsequently, an inventory fuel balance is made to account for the total LNG fuel sold reported in the DEA fuel statistics.

National Fishing

For fishing vessels, electronic log data for 1985-2020 are provided by the Danish Fisheries Agency (Hernov, 2021) and for 2021-2024 by Aarhus University (Andersen, 2025) for each fishing trip made by Danish registered fishing vessels.

The log data register the following: Vessel registration number, build year, type, overall length (OAL), brutto tonnes (BT), total installed engine power (kW) and hours at sea.

Average engine load factors (%) are taken from Winther and Martinsen (2020) based on data provided by Hanstholm Fisheries Association (Amdissen, 2020).

Figure 3.3.43 show hours at sea for the Danish fishing vessels split into OAL classes for the years 1990-2024.

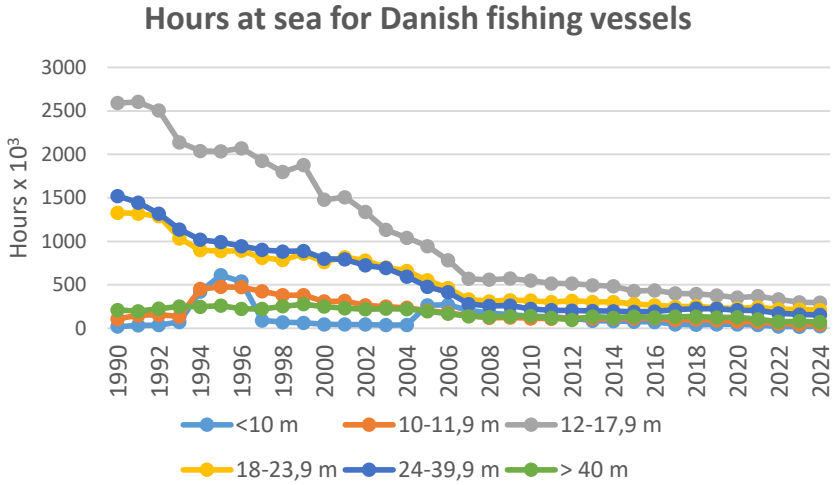


Figure 3.3.43 Total hours at sea for Danish fishing vessels 1990-2024.

For Danish fishing vessels, data for total hours at sea and engine loads (%) are shown in Annex 3.B.12 split into OAL classes for the years 1985-2024.

[19] The diesel fuel sold to "offshore installations" are in the energy statistics reported as sold for national navigation by the sales reporting oil companies.

Railways

The activity data for railways used in the DEMOS-Rail model consists of the total energy use for Danish railways activities from 1985-2024 provided by DEA (2025a). In addition, data for train km, train litra km[20], passenger km or occupancy rates and train litra service weight[21] are gathered from the following sources:

- For diesel and electric powered regional and intercity trains, litra type, train km, train litra km and passenger occupancy rates are provided by Danish State Railways (DSB) for the period 2019-2024 (Delvig, 2025).
- Urban trains ("S-tog") are electric, and train km and passenger km data are taken from Statistics Denmark (2025c). Train litra km are estimated based on train km and supplementary data from DSB annual reports, e.g. Årsrapport 2024 (DSB, 2025).
- Metro trains are also electric, and train km, train litra km and passenger km data are provided by Metro (Fredericks, 2025).
- Private railways lines mainly use diesel, although a few lines are electrified. Train km, train litra km and passenger km data are provided by the Danish Civil Aviation and Railway Authority (Schelde, 2025), and data splits into litra sub types are provided by the private railway companies.
- Train service weight data for the different train litra types are gathered from relevant web pages (e.g. www.jernbanen.dk) and the weight of a passenger is set to 70 kg.
- Train km, train litra km and train litra performance weight (train litra service weight + total weight of passengers at average occupancy) are used to calculate the total train tonnes km.

For several private railway companies, the following data has been collected for each railway line operated by the companies: Litra type, litra new sales year, Euro emission level, fuel type, fuel consumption factors, number of seats/standing rooms, and percentage distribution of annual litra km driven per litra type (Hjortsø, 2022; Hansen, 2022; Jensen, 2022). For railway lines not able to provide data, and for the earliest years in the time series in general, supplementary data has been gathered from relevant web pages (e.g. www.jernbanen.dk).

In railways, the predominant part of diesel is used by DSB. For 2019-2024, the bottom-up calculated fuel consumption for DSB and private railway companies is subtracted from total diesel fuel sold, and the residual amount of fuel is allocated to DSB. For 1985-2018, the bottom-up calculated fuel consumption for private railway companies[22] is subtracted from total diesel fuel sold for railways in the DEA energy statistics, and the residual amount of fuel is allocated to DSB.

[20] In the context of the emission inventory, train litra is the denomination of a specific train type, used in a standard configuration for which fuel consumption and emission data are known. Train litra km is the km driven by the specific train type in its standard configuration. In some cases, for a specific train type on a specific railway line, the number of train litra km driven is larger than the number of train km driven, which means that the train type is configured differently from its standard (litra) configuration.

[21] Train service weight: The weight of the train including 2/3 load of supply (fuel etc.) and staff (Jernbaneleksikon jernbaneordbog jernbane leksikon ordbog (jernbanen.dk).

[22] A small amount of GTL is used by private railways from 2018 onwards. In energy units, this fuel is a part of the total fuel consumption for railways subtracted from total DEA statistical fuel sales. For railways, the latter statistics only comprise diesel fuel as a liquid fuel.

Figure 3.3.44 show train litra km and tonnes train km for DSB, private railways and S-tog and Metro per litra type in 2024.

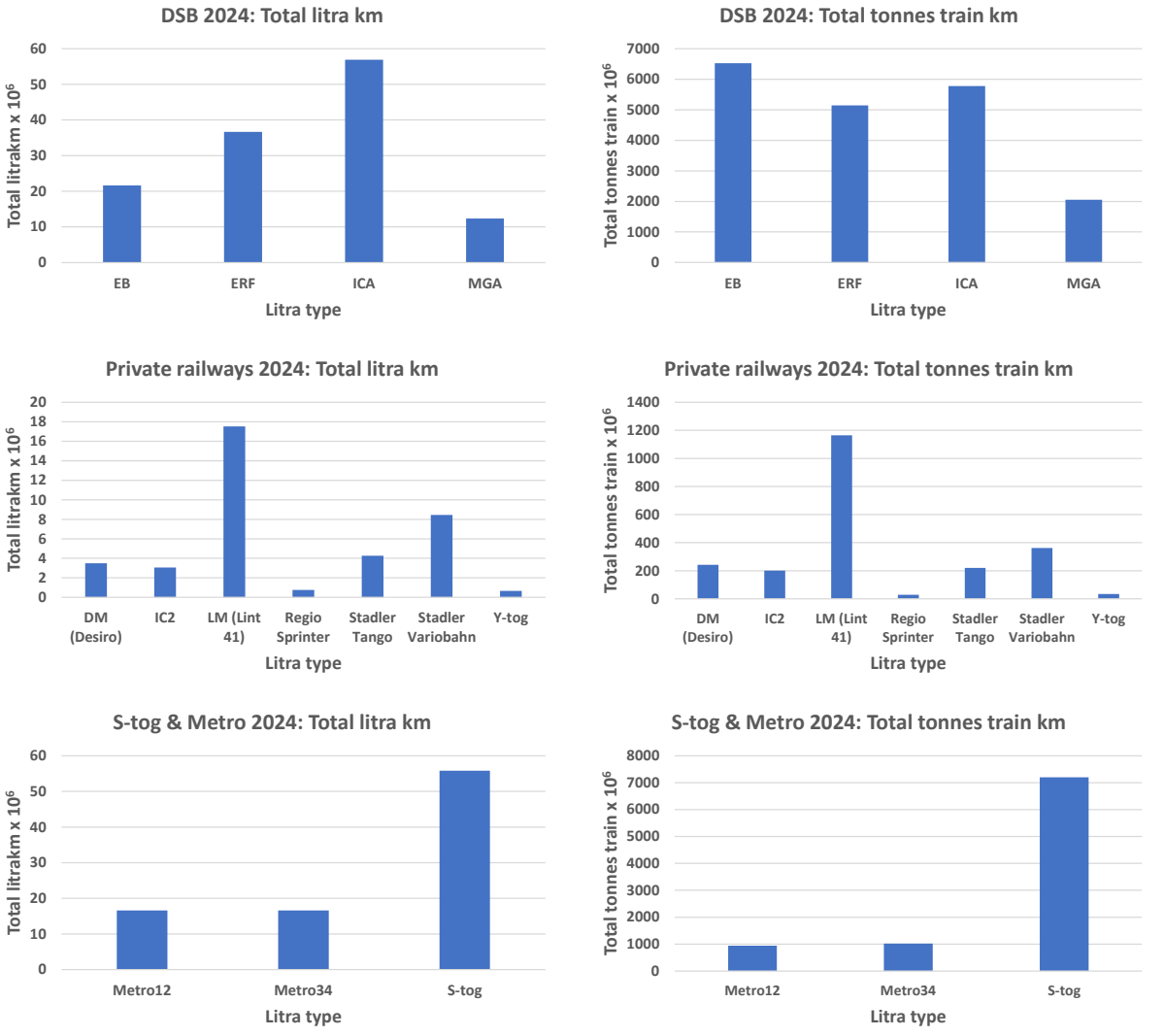


Figure 3.3.44 Train litra km and tonnes train km for DSB, private railways and S-tog and Metro per litra type in 2024.

For railways, train litra km and tonnes train km for DSB, private railways and S-tog and Metro per litra type is shown in Annex 3.B.13 for the years 1985-2024.

Military

The activity data for military activities consists of fuel consumption information from DEA (2025a).

International navigation

The activity data for international navigation consists of fuel consumption information from DEA (2025a).

For international navigation, the fuel basis is in principle fuel sold in Danish ports for vessels with a foreign destination (i.e. outside the Kingdom of Denmark), as prescribed by the IPCC guidelines. However, it must be noted that fuel sold for sailing activities between Denmark and Greenland/Faroe Islands are reported as international in the DEA energy statistics. Hence, for inventory purposes to follow the IPCC guidelines, the fuel estimated for the ferry routes Esbjerg/Hanstholm/Hirtshals-Torshavn, and fuel bought by Royal Arctic Line

is transferred from international sea transport to national sea transport in fuel sales, prior to inventory fuel input.

For all sectors, fuel consumption figures are given in Annex 3.B.15 for the years 1990 and 2024 in CollectER format, and fuel consumption time series are given in Annex 3.B.16 in NFR format.

Emission legislation

For other modes of transport and non-road machinery, the engines must comply with the emission legislation limits agreed by the EU and different UN organisations in terms of NO_x, CO, VOC and TSP emissions and fuel sulphur content. In terms of greenhouse gases, the emission legislation requirements for VOC influence the emissions of CH_4, the latter emission component forming a part of total VOC. Only for ships, legislative limits for specific fuel consumption have been internationally agreed to reduce the emissions of CO_2.

For non-road mobile machinery, recreational craft and railway locomotives/motor cars, the emission directives list specific emission limit values (g per kWh) for CO, VOC, NO_x (or VOC + NO_x) and TSP, depending on engine size (kW for diesel, ccm for gasoline) and date of implementation (referring to engine market date).

For diesel, the directives 97/68 and 2004/26 (Table 3.3.10) relate to Stage I-IV non-road mobile machinery other than agricultural and forestry tractors and the directives have different implementation dates for machinery operating under transient and constant loads. The latter directive also comprises emission limits for Stage IIIA and IIIB railways machinery (Table 3.3.14). For Stage I-IV tractors the relevant directives are 2000/25 and 2005/13 (Table 3.3.10).

For emission approval of the EU Stage I, II and IIIA engine technologies, emissions (and fuel consumption) measurements are made using the steady state test cycle ISO 8178 C1, referred to as the Non-Road Steady Cycle (NRSC), see e.g. www.dieselnet.com. In addition to the NRSC test, the newer Stage IIIB and IV (and optionally Stage IIIA) engine technologies are tested under more realistic operational conditions using the new Non-Road Transient Cycle (NRTC).

For gasoline non road mobile machinery, the directive 2002/88 distinguishes between Stage I and II hand-held (SH) and not hand-held (NS) types of machinery (Table 3.3.11). Emissions are tested using one of the specific constant load ISO 8178 test cycles (D2, G1, G2, G3) depending on the type of machinery.

For Stage V non road mobile machinery, EU directive 2016/1628 relate to diesel non-road mobile machinery other than agricultural tractors (Table 3.3.10) and railways machinery (Table 3.3.14) and gasoline non-road mobile machinery (Table 3.3.11). EU directive 167/2013 relate to Stage V agricultural and forestry tractors (Table 3.3.10).

Table 3.3.10 Overview of EU emission directives and emission limit values relevant for diesel fuelled non-road mobile machinery other than agricultural and forestry tractors and for agricultural and forestry tractors.

Stage	Engine size	CO	VOC	NO_x	VOC+NO_x	PM	Other machinery than agricultural and forestry tractors			Agricultural and forestry tractors	
								Implement. date		EU	Implement.
	[kW]			[g/kWh]			EU Directive	Transient	Constant	Directive	Date
Stage I											
A	130<=P<560	5	1.3	9.2	-	0.54	97/68	1/1 1999	-	2000/25	1/7 2001
B	75<=P<130	5	1.3	9.2	-	0.7		1/1 1999	-		1/7 2001
C	37<=P<75	6.5	1.3	9.2	-	0.85		1/4 1999	-		1/7 2001
Stage II											
E	130<=P<560	3.5	1	6	-	0.2	97/68	1/1 2002	1/1 2007	2000/25	1/7 2002
F	75<=P<130	5	1	6	-	0.3		1/1 2003	1/1 2007		1/7 2003
G	37<=P<75	5	1.3	7	-	0.4		1/1 2004	1/1 2007		1/1 2004
D	18<=P<37	5.5	1.5	8	-	0.8		1/1 2001	1/1 2007		1/1 2002
Stage IIIA											
H	130<=P<560	3.5	-	-	4	0.2	2004/26	1/1 2006	1/1 2011	2005/13	1/1 2006
I	75<=P<130	5	-	-	4	0.3		1/1 2007	1/1 2011		1/1 2007
J	37<=P<75	5	-	-	4.7	0.4		1/1 2008	1/1 2012		1/1 2008
K	19<=P<37	5.5	-	-	7.5	0.6		1/1 2007	1/1 2011		1/1 2007
Stage IIIB											
L	130<=P<560	3.5	0.19	2	-	0.025	2004/26	1/1 2011	-	2005/13	1/1 2011
M	75<=P<130	5	0.19	3.3	-	0.025		1/1 2012	-		1/1 2012
N	56<=P<75	5	0.19	3.3	-	0.025		1/1 2012	-		1/1 2012
P	37<=P<56	5	-	-	4.7	0.025		1/1 2013	-		1/1 2013
Stage IV											
Q	130<=P<560	3.5	0.19	0.4	-	0.025	2004/26	1/1 2014	1/1 2014	2005/13	1/1 2014
R	56<=P<130	5	0.19	0.4	-	0.025		1/10 2014	1/10 2014		1/10 2014
Stage V[A]											
NRE-v/c-7	P>560	3.5	0.19	3.5		0.045	2016/1628		2019	167/2013[B]	2019
NRE-v/c-6	130≤P≤560	3.5	0.19	0.4		0.015			2019		2019
NRE-v/c-5	56≤P<130	5.0	0.19	0.4		0.015			2020		2020
NRE-v/c-4	37≤P<56	5.0			4.7	0.015			2019		2019
NRE-v/c-3	19≤P<37	5.0			4.7	0.015			2019		2019
NRE-v/c-2	8≤P<19	6.6			7.5	0.4			2019		2019
NRE-v/c-1	P<8	8.0			7.5	0.4			2019		2019
Generators	P>560	3.5	0.19	0.67		0.035			2019		2019

A = For selected machinery types, Stage V includes emission limit values for particle number.

B = Article 63 in 2016/1628 revise Article 19 in 167/2013 to include Stage V limits as described in 2016/1628.

Table 3.3.11 Overview of the EU emission directives and emission limit values relevant for gasoline fuelled non-road machinery.

	Category	Engine size [ccm]	CO [g pr kWh]	HC [g pr kWh]	NO_X [g pr kWh]	HC+NO_X [g pr kWh]	Implement. date
EU Directive 2002/88	Stage I						
Hand-held	SH1	S<20	805	295	5.36	-	1/2 2005
	SH2	20≤S<50	805	241	5.36	-	1/2 2005
	SH3	50≤S	603	161	5.36	-	1/2 2005
Not hand-held	SN3	100≤S<225	519	-	-	16.1	1/2 2005
	SN4	225≤S	519	-	-	13.4	1/2 2005
	Stage II						
Hand-held	SH1	S<20	805	-	-	50	1/2 2008
	SH2	20≤S<50	805	-	-	50	1/2 2008
	SH3	50≤S	603	-	-	72	1/2 2009
Not hand-held	SN1	S<66	610	-	-	50	1/2 2005
	SN2	66≤S<100	610	-	-	40	1/2 2005
	SN3	100≤S<225	610	-	-	16.1	1/2 2008
	SN4	225≤S	610	-	-	12.1	1/2 2007
EU Directive 2016/1628	Stage V						
Hand-held (<19 kW)	NRSh-v-1a	S<50	805	-	-	50	2019
	NRSh-v-1b	50≤S	805	-	-	72	2019
Not hand-held (P<19 kW)	NRS-vr/vi-1a	80≤S<225	610	-	-	10	2019
	NRS-vr/vi-1b	S≥225	610	-	-	8	2019
Not hand-held (19=<P<30 kW)	NRS-v-2a	S≤1000	610	-	-	8	2019
	NRS-v-2b	S>1000	4.40*	-	-	2.70*	2019
Not hand-held (30=<P<56 kW)	NRS-v-3	any	4.40*	-	-	2.70*	2019

* Or any combination of values satisfying the equation $(HC+NO_x) \times CO^{0.784} \leq 8.57$ and the conditions CO ≤ 20.6 g/kWh and $(HC+NO_x) \leq 2.7$ g/kWh.

For recreational craft, Directive 2003/44 comprises the Stage 1 emission legislation limits for diesel engines, and for 2-stroke and 4-stroke gasoline engines, respectively. The CO and VOC emission limits depend on engine size (kW) and the inserted parameters presented in the calculation formulas in Table 3.3.12. For NO_X, a constant limit value is given for each of the three engine types. For TSP, the constant emission limit regards diesel engines only.

In Table 3.3.13, the Stage II emission limits are shown for recreational craft. CO and $HC+NO_x$ limits are provided for gasoline engines depending on the rated engine power and the engine type (stern-drive vs. outboard) while CO, $HC+NO_x$, and particulate emission limits are defined for compression ignition (CI) engines depending on the rated engine power and the swept volume.

Table 3.3.12 Overview of the EU Emission Directive 2003/44 for recreational craft.

Engine type	Impl. date	$CO=A+B/P^n$			$HC=A+B/P^n$			NO_X	TSP
		A	B	n	A	B	n		
2-stroke gasoline	1/1 2007	150.0	600.0	1.0	30.0	100.0	0.75	10.0	-
4-stroke gasoline	1/1 2006	150.0	600.0	1.0	6.0	50.0	0.75	15.0	-
Diesel	1/1 2006	5.0	0.0	0	1.5	2.0	0.5	9.8	1.0

Table 3.3.13 Overview of the EU Emission Directive 2013/53 for recreational craft.

Diesel engines					
Swept Volume, SV	Rated Engine Power, P_N	Impl. Date	CO	HC + NO_x	PM
l/cyl.	kW		g/kWh	g/kWh	g/kWh
SV < 0.9	P_N < 37				
	37 <= P_N < 75 (*)	18/1 2017	5	4.7	0.30
	75 <= P_N < 3 700	18/1 2017	5	5.8	0.15
0.9 <= SV < 1.2	P_N < 3 700	18/1 2017	5	5.8	0.14
1.2 <= SV < 2.5		18/1 2017	5	5.8	0.12
2.5 <= SV < 3.5		18/1 2017	5	5.8	0.12
3.5 <= SV < 7.0		18/1 2017	5	5.8	0.11
Gasoline engines					
Engine type	Rated Engine Power, P_N		CO	HC + NO_x	PM
	kW		g/kWh	g/kWh	g/kWh
Stern-drive and inboard	P_N <= 373	18/1 2017	75	5	-
engines	373 <= P_N <= 485	18/1 2017	350	16	-
	P_N > 485	18/1 2017	350	22	-
Outboard engines and	P_N <= 4.3	18/1 2017	500 – (5.0 x P_N)	15.7 + (50/$PN^{0.9}$)	-
PWC engines (**)	4.3 <= P_N <= 40	18/1 2017	500 – (5.0 x P_N)	15.7 + (50/$PN^{0.9}$)	-
	P_N > 40	18/1 2017	300		-

(*) Alternatively, this engine segment shall not exceed a PM limit of 0.2 g/kWh and a combined HC + NO_x limit of 5.8 g/kWh.
(**) Small and medium size manufacturers making outboard engines <= 15 kW have until 18/1 2020 to comply.

Table 3.3.14 Overview of the EU Emission Directives relevant for railway locomotives and motorcars.

				CO	HC	NO_x	HC+NO_x	PM	
	EU directive	Engine size [kW]		g/kWh					Imp. date
Locomotives	2004/26	Stage IIIA							
		130<=P<560	RL A	3.5	-	-	4	0.2	1/1 2007
		560<P	RH A	3.5	0.5	6	-	0.2	1/1 2009
		2000<=P and piston dis-	RH A	3.5	0.4	7.4	-	0.2	1/1 2009
		placement >= 5 l/cyl.							
	2004/26	Stage IIIB	RB	3.5	-	-	4	0.025	1/1 2012
	2016/1628	Stage V							
		0<P	RLL-v/c-1	3.5	-	-	4	0.025	2021
Motor cars	2004/26	Stage IIIA							
		130<P	RC A	3.5	-	-	4	0.2	1/1 2006
	2004/26	Stage IIIB							
		130<P	RC B	3.5	0.19	2	-	0.025	1/1 2012
	2016/1628	Stage V							
		0<P	RLR-v/c-1	3.5	0.19	2	-	0.015	2021

Aircraft engine emissions of NO_x, CO, VOC and smoke are regulated by ICAO (International Civil Aviation Organization). The engine emission certification standards are contained in Annex 16 — Environmental Protection, Volume II — to the Convention on International Civil Aviation (ICAO Annex 16, 2008, plus amendments). The emission standards relate to the total emissions (in grams) from the so-called LTO (Landing and Take Off) cycle divided by the rated engine thrust (kN). The ICAO LTO cycle contains the idealised aircraft movements below 3000 ft (915 m) during approach, landing, airport taxiing, take off and climb out.

For smoke, all aircraft engines manufactured from 1 January 1983 must meet the emission limits agreed by ICAO. For NO_x, CO, VOC The emission legislation is relevant for aircraft engines with a rated engine thrust larger than 26.7 kN. In the case of CO and VOC, the ICAO regulations apply for engines manufactured from 1 January 1983.

For NO_x, the emission regulations fall in five categories:

- For engines of a type or model for which the date of manufacture of the first individual production model was before 1 January 1996, and for which the production date of the individual engine was before 1 January 2000.
- For engines of a type or model for which the date of manufacture of the first individual production model is on or after 1 January 1996, or for individual engines with a production date on or after 1 January 2000.
- For engines of a type or model for which the date of manufacture of the first individual production model is on or after 1 January 2004.
- For engines of a type or model for which the date of manufacture of the first individual production model is on or after 1 January 2008, or for individual engines with a production date on or after 1 January 2013.
- For engines of a type or model for which the date of manufacture of the first individual production model is on or after 1 January 2014.

The regulations published by ICAO are given in the form of the total quantity of pollutants (D_p) emitted in the LTO cycle divided by the maximum sea level thrust (F_{oo}) and plotted against engine pressure ratio at maximum sea level thrust.

The limit values for NO_x are given by the formulae in Table 3.3.15.

Table 3.3.15 Current certification limits for NO_x for turbo jet and turbo fan engines.

	Engines first produced before 1.1.1996 & for engines manufactured before 1.1.2000	Engines first produced on or after 1.1.1996 & for engines manufactured on or after 1.1.2000	Engines for which the date of manufacture of the first individual production model was on or after 1 January 2004	Engines first produced on or after 1.1.2047 & for engines manufactured on or after 1.1.2013	Engines for which the date of manufacture of the first individual production model was on or after 1.1.2014
Applies to engines >26.7 kN	$Dp/F_{oo} = 40 + 2\pi_{oo}$	$Dp/F_{oo} = 32 + 1.6\pi_{oo}$			
Engines of pressure ratio less than 30					
Thrust more than 89 kN			$Dp/F_{oo} = 19 + 1.6\pi_{oo}$	$Dp/F_{oo} = 16.72 + 1.4080\pi_{oo}$	$7.88 + 1.4080\pi_{oo}$
Thrust between 26.7 kN and not more than 89 kN			$Dp/F_{oo} = 37.572 + 1.6\pi_{oo} - 0.208F_{oo}$	$Dp/F_{oo} = 38.54862 + (1.6823\pi_{oo}) – (0.2453F_{oo}) – (0.00308\pi_{oo}F_{oo})$	$Dp/F_{oo} = 40.052 + 1.5681\pi_{oo} - 0.3615F_{oo} - 0.0018\ \pi_{oo} \times F_{oo}$
Engines of pressure ratio more than 30 and less than 62.5 (104.7)					
Thrust more than 89 kN			$Dp/F_{oo} = 7+2.0\pi_{oo}$	$Dp/F_{oo} = -1.04+ (2.0*\pi_{oo})$	
Thrust between 26.7 kN and not more than 89 kN			$Dp/F_{oo} = 42.71 +1.4286\pi_{oo} - 0.4013F_{oo} +0.00642\pi_{oo}F_{oo}$	$Dp/F_{oo} = 46.1600 + (1.4286\pi_{oo}) – (0.5303F_{oo}) – (0.00642\pi_{oo}F_{oo})$	
Engines with pressure ratio 62.5 or more					
Engines with pressure ratio 82.6 or more			$Dp/F_{oo} = 32+1.6\pi_{oo}$	$Dp/F_{oo} = 32+1.6\pi_{oo}$	
Engines of pressure ratio more than 30 and less than (104.7)					
Thrust more than 89 kN					$Dp/F_{oo} = -9.88 + 2.0\pi_{oo}$
Thrust between 26.7 kN and not more than 89 kN					$Dp/F_{oo} = 41.9435 + 1.505\pi_{oo} - 0.5823F_{oo} + 0.005562\pi_{oo} \times F_{oo}$
Engines with pressure ratio 104.7 or more					$Dp/F_{oo} = 32 + 1.6\pi_{oo}$

Source: International Standards and Recommended Practices, Environmental Protection, ICAO Annex 16 Volume II 3rd edition July 2008, plus amendments: Amendment 7 (17 November 2011), Amendment 8 (July 2014),
where:
D_p = the sum of emissions in the LTO cycle in g.
F_{oo} = thrust at sea level take-off (100 %).
π_{oo} = pressure ratio at sea level take-off thrust point (100 %).

The equivalent limits for HC and CO are $D_p/F_{oo} = 19.6$ for HC and $D_p/F_{oo} = 118$ for CO (ICAO Annex 16 Vol. II paragraph 2.2.2). Smoke is limited to a regulatory smoke number = $83\ (F_{oo})^{-0.274}$ or a value of 50, whichever is the lower.

A further description of the technical definitions in relation to engine certification as well as actual engine exhaust emission measurement data can be found in the ICAO Engine Exhaust Emission Database. The latter database is accessible from "www.easa.europa.eu/domains/environment/icao-aircraft-engine-emissions-databank" hosted by the European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA).

On 8 February 2016, at the tenth meeting of the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) Committee for Environmental Protection (CAEP) a performance standard was agreed for new aircraft that will mandate improvements in fuel efficiency and reductions in carbon dioxide (CO_2) emissions. The standards will on average require a 4 % reduction in the cruise fuel consumption of new aircraft starting in 2028 compared to 2015 deliveries, with the actual reductions ranging from 0 to 11 %, depending on the maximum takeoff mass (MTOM) of the aircraft (ICCT, 2017).

The CO_2 certification standards are contained in a new Volume III - CO_2 Certification Requirement - to Annex 16 of the Convention on civil aviation (ICAO, 2017).

Embedded applicability dates are:

- **Subsonic jet aeroplanes**, including their derived versions, of greater than 5 700 kg maximum take-off mass for which the application for a type certificate was submitted on or after 1 January 2020, except for those aeroplanes of less than or equal to 60 000 kg maximum take-off mass with a maximum passenger seating capacity of 19 seats or less;
- **Subsonic jet aeroplanes**, including their derived versions, of greater than 5 700 kg and less than or equal to 60 000 kg maximum take-off mass with a maximum passenger seating capacity of 19 seats or less, for which the application for a type certificate was submitted on or after 1 January 2023;
- **All propeller-driven aeroplanes**, including their derived versions, of greater than 8 618 kg maximum take-off mass, for which the application for a type certificate was submitted on or after 1 January 2020;
- **Derived versions of non-CO_2-certified subsonic jet aeroplanes** of greater than 5 700 kg maximum certificated take-off mass for which the application for certification of the change in type design was submitted on or after 1 January 2023;
- **Derived versions of non-CO_2 certified propeller-driven aeroplanes** of greater than 8 618 kg maximum certificated take-off mass for which the application for certification of the change in type design was submitted on or after 1 January 2023;
- **Individual non-CO_2-certified subsonic jet aeroplanes** of greater than 5 700 kg maximum certificated take-off mass for which a certificate of airworthiness was first issued on or after 1 January 2028; and
- **Individual non-CO_2-certified propeller-driven aeroplanes** of greater than 8 618 kg maximum certificated take-off mass for which a certificate of airworthiness was first issued on or after 1 January 2028.

Emission standards of non-volatile Particulate Matter (nvPM) mass and number for jet engines of rated thrust greater than 26.7 kN were adopted by the ICAO Council in March 2020. The emission standards are applicable from 1 January 2023 onwards to new type and in-production engines with rated thrust greater than 26.7 kN. The emission standards are explained in more details on the ICAO website:
https://www.icao.int/environmental-protection/Pages/LAQ_Technology-Standards.aspx.

The new emission standards replace the SN standard for engines of rated thrust greater than 26.7 kN. Given that the nvPM standards are not applicable to engines of rated thrust less or equal to 26.7 kN, these smaller engines will still need to comply with the SN standard.

Marpol 73/78 Annex VI agreed by IMO (International Maritime Organisation) concerns the control of NO_x emissions (Regulation 13 plus amendments) and SO_x and particulate emissions (Regulation 14 plus amendments) from ships (DNV, 2009). Recently the so-called Energy Efficiency Design Index (EEDI) fuel efficiency regulations for new built ships was included in Chapter 4 of Annex VI in the Marpol convention for the purpose of controlling the CO_2 emissions from ships (Lloyd's Register, 2012).

The baseline NO_x emission regulation of Annex VI applies for diesel engines with a power output higher than 130 kW, which are installed on a ship constructed on or after 1 January 2000 and diesel engines with a power output higher than 130 kW which undergo major conversion on or after 1 January 2000.

The baseline NO_x emission limits for ship engines in relation to their rated engine speed (n) given in RPM (Revolutions Per Minute) are the following:

- 17 g pr kWh, n < 130 RPM
- 45 x n-0.2 g pr kWh, 130 ≤ n < 2000 RPM
- 9.8 g pr kWh, n ≥ 2000 RPM

The further amendment of Annex VI Regulation 13 contains a three tiered approach to strengthen the emission standards for NO_x. The three tier approach comprises the following:

- Tier I: Diesel engines (> 130 kW) installed on a ship constructed on or after 1 January 2000 and prior to 1 January 2011 (initial regulation).
- Tier II: Diesel engines (> 130 kW) installed on a ship constructed on or after 1 January 2011.
- Tier III[23]: Diesel engines (> 130 kW) installed on a ship constructed on or after 1 January 2016 operating in the North American ECA or the United States Caribbean Sea ECA and diesel engines (> 130 kW) installed on a ship constructed on or after 1 January 2021 operating in the Baltic Sea and North Sea ECA.

The three tier NO_x emission limit functions are shown in Table 3.3.16.

Table 3.3.16 Tier I-III NO_x emission limits for ship engines in MARPOL Annex VI.

	NO_x limit	RPM (n)
Tier I	17 g pr kWh	n < 130
	45n-0.2 g pr kWh	130 ≤ n < 2000
	9.8 g pr kWh	n ≥ 2000
Tier II	14.4 g pr kWh	n < 130
	44n-0.23 g pr kWh	130 ≤ n < 2000
	7.7 g pr kWh	n ≥ 2000
Tier III	3.4 g pr kWh	n < 130
	9n-0.2 g pr kWh	130 ≤ n < 2000
	2 g pr kWh	n ≥ 2000

Further, the NO_x Tier I limits are to be applied for existing engines with a power output higher than 5000 kW and a displacement per cylinder at or above 90 litres, installed on a ship constructed on or after 1 January 1990 but prior to 1 January 2000.

In relation to the sulphur content in heavy fuel and marine gas oil used by ship engines, Table 3.3.17 shows the EU and IMO (Regulation 14 plus amendments) legislation in force for SECA (Sulphur Emission Control Area) areas and outside SECA's.

[23] For ships operating in a designated Emission Control Area. Outside a designated Emission Control Area, Tier II limits apply.

Table 3.3.17 Current legislation in relation to marine fuel quality.

Legislation	Marine area	Heavy fuel oil S- %	Implement. date	Gas oil S- %	Implement. date
EU-directive 93/12		None		0.2[1]	01.10.1994
EU-directive 1999/32		None		0.2	01.01.2000
EU-directive 2005/33[2]	SECA - Baltic Sea	1.5	11.08.2006	0.1	01.01.2008
	SECA - North Sea	1.5	11.08.2007	0.1	01.01.2008
	Outside SECA's	None		0.1	01.01.2008
MARPOL Annex VI	SECA – Baltic Sea	1.5	19.05.2006		
	SECA – North Sea	1.5	21.11.2007		
	Outside SECA	4.5	19.05.2006		
MARPOL Annex VI amendments	SECA's	1	01.03.2010		
	SECA's	0.1	01.01.2015		
	Outside SECA's	3.5	01.01.2012		
	Outside SECA's	0.5	01.01.2020		

[1] Sulphur content limit for fuel sold inside EU.
[2] From 1.1.2010 fuel with a sulphur content higher than 0.1 % must not be used in EU ports for ships at berth exceeding two hours.

In Marpol 83/78 Annex VI (Chapter 4), the EEDI fuel efficiency regulations are mandatory from 1st January 2013 for new built ships larger than 400 GT.

EEDI is a design index value that expresses how much CO_2 is produced per work done (g CO_2 per tonnes.nm[24]). At present, the IMO EEDI scheme comprises the following ship types; bulk carriers, gas carriers, tankers, container ships, general cargo ships, refrigerated and combination cargo carriers.

The EEDI percentage reductions that need to be achieved for new built ships relative to existing ships, are shown in Table 5.11 stratified according to ship type and dead weight tonnes (DWT) in the temporal phases (new built year in brackets); 0 (2013-14), 1 (2015-19), 2 (2020-24) and 3 (2025+).

Table 3.3.18 EEDI percentage reductions for new built ships relative to existing ships.

Ship type	Size	Phase 0 1-Jan-2013 to 31-Dec-2014	Phase 1 1-Jan-2015 to 31-Dec-2019	Phase 2 1-Jan-2020 to 31-Dec-2024	Phase 3 1-Jan-2025 onwards
Bulk carrier	20,000 DWT and above	0	10	20	30
	10,000 – 20,000 DWT	n/a	0-10*	0-20*	0-30*
Gas carrier	10,000 DWT and above	0	10	20	30
	2,000 – 10,000 DWT	n/a	0-10*	0-20*	0-30*
Tanker	20,000 DWT and above	0	10	20	30
	4,000 – 20,000 DWT	n/a	0-10*	0-20*	0-30*
Container ship	15,000 DWT and above	0	10	20	30
	10,000 – 15,000 DWT	n/a	0-10*	0-20*	0-30*
General cargo ship	15,000 DWT and above	0	10	15	30
	3,000 – 15,000 DWT	n/a	0-10*	0-15*	0-30*
Refrigerated cargo carrier	5,000 DWT and above	0	10	15	30
	3,000 – 5,000 DWT	n/a	0-10*	0-15*	0-30*
Combination carrier	20,000 DWT and above	0	10	20	30
	4,000 – 20,000 DWT	n/a	0-10*	0-20*	0-30*

It is envisaged that also Ro-ro cargo, ro-ro passenger and cruise passenger ships will be included in the EEDI scheme in the near future.

For non-road machinery, the EU directive 2003/17/EC gives a limit value of 10 ppm sulphur in diesel (from 2011).

Emission factors

The CO_2 emission factors for other fuels than diesel, LNG, LPG and GTL are country-specific and come from Fenhann and Kilde (1994).

[24] nm: nautical mile.

For diesel the CO_2 emission factor is taken from IPCC (2006). For LNG, the CO_2 emission factor is estimated by the Danish gas transmission company, Energinet.dk, based on gas analysis data (Energinet.dk, 2022). For LPG, the emission factor source is EMEP/EEA (2025).

A country-specific emission factor for diesel used in road transportation is not available from Danish refineries, instead, the diesel EF for stationary combustion is used, which is from EU ETS. The average CO_2 EF of diesel burned in stationary sources during 2008-2016 is 74.1 kg/GJ, identical EF to the IPCC default data.

For GTL the CO_2 emission factor comes from Winther (2022a).

The N_2O emission factors are taken from the EMEP/EEA guidebook; EMEP/EEA (2025) for road transport and non-road mobile machinery, and IPCC (2006) for national sea transport and fisheries as well as aviation.

In the case of military ground equipment, due to lack of fleet/activity and emission data, aggregated CH_4 emission factors for gasoline and diesel are derived from total road traffic emission results. For piston engine aircraft using aviation gasoline, the CH_4 emission factors are derived from VOC factors from EMEP/EEA (2025) and a NMVOC/CH_4 split, based on the NMVOC/CH_4 split for conventional gasoline engines used in Danish road transport[25].

For railways VOC emission factors are derived from specific Danish VOC measurements from the Danish State Railways (Mølgård, 2020). For private railway lines, VOC emission factors are estimated for the different train type technologies using diesel or GTL. The CH_4 emission factors for railways are derived from the VOC emission factors using a NMVOC/CH_4 split, based on expert judgement.

For agriculture, forestry, industry, household gardening and recreational craft, the VOC emission factors are derived from various European measurement programmes; see IFEU (2004, 2009, 2020), Notter and Schmied (2015) and Winther (2023). The NMVOC/CH_4 split is taken from IFEU (2009).

For national sea transport and fisheries, the VOC emission factors come from the Danish TEMA2015 emission model (Ministry of Transport, 2015).

Specifically for the ferries used by Mols Linjen, VOC emission factors are provided by Kristensen (2008), originating from engine measurements (Hansen et al., 2004; Wismann, 1999; PHP, 1996). Complimentary VOC emission factor data for new ferries used by Mols Linjen is provided by Kristensen (2013) and engine load specific VOC emission data is provided by Nielsen (2022).

[25] The CH_4 emission factor was derived from the piston engine VOC emission factor for Germany (18.867 g/kg fuel) provided in table 3-10 of the EMEP/EEA air pollutant emission inventory guidebook 2023 (EMEP/EEA, 2025). This VOC emission factor was converted to units of energy using the net calorific value of aviation gasoline (43.8 MJ/kg), amounting to 430.753 g/GJ. A country-specific CH_4/VOC split of 2 %, derived from the VOC and CH_4 emission results for Danish conventional gasoline cars in the Danish 2020 NIR report (Nielsen et al., 2022), was then applied to the resulting VOC emission factor by unit of energy, leading to a CH_4 emission factor of 8.62 kg/TJ and an NMVOC EF of 422.1 g/GJ for piston engine aircraft.

For island and short-cut ferries using GTL, VOC emission factors are taken from Winther (2022a).

For the LNG fuelled ferry in service on the Hou-Sælvig route, CH_4 and NMVOC emission factors are taken from Bengtsson et al. (2011).

For marine engines using diesel or residual oil, VOC/CH_4 splits are taken from EMEP/EEA (2025). For marine engines using GTL, the VOC/CH_4 split for diesel from EMEP/EEA (2025) is used due to lack of data.

For national sea transport, international sea transport and fisheries, total fuel consumption and aggregated emission factors per fuel type are shown Annex 3.B.12 for the years 1985-2024. Total fuel consumption and emission factors per ferry per route are also shown Annex 3.B.12 for 2024. For fisheries as well, total engine MWh's produced, total fuel consumption, fuel balance factors and emission factors are shown Annex 3.B.12 for 1985-2024.

For aviation, the source for fuel consumption and emission factors for jet aircraft is the EMEP/EEA guidebook (EMEP/EEA, 2025). For a range of different representative aircraft types, the EMEP/EEA guidebook comprises fuel flow and NO_x, CO and VOC emission indices for the four LTO modes and distance-based emission factors for cruise. For auxiliary power units (APU), ICAO (2020) is the data source for APU load specific NO_x, CO and VOC emission factors for different APU aircraft groups to be linked with the different representative aircraft types. For helicopters the source of fuel consumption and VOC emission factors is Rindlisbacher (2015). VOC/CH_4 splits for aviation are taken from EMEP/EEA (2025).

Annex 3.B.14 list the lower heating values (LHV) for the inventory fuel types together with their references. The LHV's are used to transform emission factors from g/kg fuel into g/MJ or fuel results from kg into MJ if needed in the inventories.

For all sectors, emission factors for the years 1990 and 2024 are given in CollectER format in Annex 3.B.15.

Table 3.3.19 shows the aggregated emission factors for CO_2, CH_4 and N_2O in 2024 used to calculate the emissions from other mobile sources in Denmark.

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					Emission factors[26]		
SNAP ID	Category	Fuel type	Tier level	CH_4 % of VOC	CH_4 g pr GJ	CO_2 g pr GJ	N_2O g pr GJ
080100	Military	Diesel	Tier 1	1.6	0.11	74.10	9.62
080100	Military	Gasoline	Tier 1	5.8	4.52	73.00	0.60
080100	Military	Jet fuel	Tier 1	9.6	2.65	72.00	2.30
080200	Railways	Biodiesel	Tier 3	3.7	0.86	4.20	2.24
080200	Railways	Diesel	Tier 3	3.7	0.86	74.10	2.24
080200	Railways	GTL	Tier 3	3.7	1.41	71.10	2.24
080300	Recreational craft	Bio ethanol	Tier 3	2.8	11.99	0.00	1.61
080300	Recreational craft	Biodiesel	Tier 3	2.4	2.05	4.20	2.97
080300	Recreational craft	Diesel	Tier 3	2.4	2.05	74.10	2.97
080300	Recreational craft	Gasoline	Tier 3	2.8	11.99	73.00	1.61
080402	National sea traffic	Diesel	Tier 3	2.0	1.35	74.10	1.87
080402	National sea traffic	GTL	Tier 3	2.0	1.05	71.10	1.74
080402	National sea traffic	LNG	Tier 3	74.0	263.14	56.80	3.96
080402	National sea traffic	Residual oil	Tier 3	2.0	1.30	78.00	1.96
080403	Fishing	Diesel	Tier 3	2.0	1.15	74.10	1.83
080404	International sea traffic	Diesel	Tier 1	2.0	1.29	74.10	1.87
080404	International sea traffic	Residual oil	Tier 1	2.0	1.37	78.00	1.97
080501	Air traffic, Dom. < 3000 ft.	AvGas	Tier 1	2.0	8.62	73.00	2.00
080501	Air traffic, Dom. < 3000 ft.	Jet fuel	Tier 3	10.0	2.91	72.00	8.11
080502	Air traffic, Int. < 3000 ft.	Jet fuel	Tier 3	10.0	2.38	72.00	4.36
080503	Air traffic, Dom. > 3000 ft.	Jet fuel	Tier 3	0.0	0.00	72.00	2.30
080504	Air traffic, Int. > 3000 ft.	Jet fuel	Tier 3	0.0	0.00	72.00	2.30
080600	Agriculture	Bio ethanol	Tier 3	12.2	150.43	0.00	1.61
080600	Agriculture	Diesel	Tier 3	2.4	0.70	74.10	3.60
080600	Agriculture	Gasoline	Tier 3	12.2	150.43	73.00	1.61
080700	Forestry	Bio ethanol	Tier 3	6.0	240.84	0.00	0.46
080700	Forestry	Diesel	Tier 3	2.4	0.36	74.10	3.71
080700	Forestry	Gasoline	Tier 3	6.0	240.84	73.00	0.46
080800	Industry	Bio ethanol	Tier 3	3.5	37.70	0.00	1.22
080800	Industry	Diesel	Tier 3	2.4	0.66	74.10	3.53
080800	Industry	Gasoline	Tier 3	3.5	37.70	73.00	1.22
080800	Industry	LPG	Tier 3	5.0	1.75	64.80	3.50
080900	Household and gardening	Bio ethanol	Tier 3	2.3	48.21	0.00	1.17
080900	Household and gardening	Gasoline	Tier 3	2.3	48.21	73.00	1.17
081100	Commercial and institutional	Bio ethanol	Tier 3	3.9	30.52	0.00	1.32
081100	Commercial and institutional	Diesel	Tier 3	2.4	0.73	74.10	3.52
081100	Commercial and institutional	Gasoline	Tier 3	3.9	30.52	73.00	1.32
081100	Commercial and institutional	LPG	Tier 3	5.0	1.75	64.80	3.50
080501	Air traffic, Dom. < 3000 ft., CPH	AvGas	Tier 1	2.0	8.62	73.00	2.00
080501	Air traffic, Dom. < 3000 ft., CPH	Jet fuel	Tier 3	10.0	1.55	72.00	5.19
080502	Air traffic, Int. < 3000 ft., CPH	Jet fuel	Tier 3	10.0	1.75	72.00	3.25
080503	Air traffic, Dom. > 3000 ft., CPH	Jet fuel	Tier 3	0.0	0.00	72.00	2.30
080504	Air traffic, Int. > 3000 ft., CPH	Jet fuel	Tier 3	0.0	0.00	72.00	2.30

[26] References. CO_2: Country-specific, Energinet.dk (LNG), EMEP/EEA (LPG), IPCC (diesel), Winther (2022a, GTL). N_2O: EMEP/EEA. CH_4: Railways: Danish State Railways, DCE; Agriculture/Forestry/Industry/Household-Gardening: IFEU (2004, 2009, 2014), Notter and Schmied (2015); National sea traffic/Fishing/International sea traffic: Ministry of Transport (2015), specific data from Mols Linjen, Bengtsson et al. (2011), EMEP/EEA; domestic and international aviation: EMEP/EEA.

Factors for deterioration, transient loads and gasoline evaporation for non-road mobile machinery

The emission effects of engine wear are considered for diesel and gasoline engines by using the so-called deterioration factors. For diesel engines alone, transient factors are used in the calculations, to account for the emission changes caused by varying engine loads. The evaporative emissions of NMVOC are estimated for gasoline fuelling and tank evaporation. The factors for deterioration, transient loads and gasoline evaporation are taken from IFEU (2004, 2009, 2014) and are shown in Annex 3.B.10. For more details regarding the use of these factors, please refer to paragraph 3.3.4 or Winther et al. (2006).

Engine load adjustment factors for marine engines

For marine engines, specific fuel consumption (sfc) and emission factors are found to vary with engine load, and hence engine load adjustment factors, LAF, are used in the fleet activity calculations for ferries and fishing vessels to account for these engine load changes. For sfc and NO_x, N_2O, CO, VOC and PM, engine load adjustment functions are provided by IMO (2015) based on Starcrest (2013). Only sfc is adjusted in the calculations, due to the actual engine load levels for ferries and fishing vessels in the Danish inventories. The load adjustment factors are shown in Annex 3.B.12.

For a few ferries operated by Mols Linjen, actual engine loads and engine load specific emission data provided by Riis-Sørensen (2025) is used to calculate precise sfc and emission factors of NO_x, CO and VOC.

3.3.4 Calculation methods for other mobile sources

Civil aviation

For aviation, the domestic and international estimates are made separately for landing and takeoff (LTOs < 3000 ft), and cruising (> 3000 ft) in the DEMOS-Aviation model.

By using the LTO mode specific fuel flow and emission indices contained in DEMOS-Aviation, the fuel consumption and emission factors for the full LTO cycle are estimated for each of the representative aircraft types used in the Danish inventory.

The fuel consumption for one LTO cycle is calculated according to the following sum formula:

$$FC_{LTO}^{a} = \sum_{m=1}^{5} t_m \cdot ff_{a,m} \quad (18)$$

Where FC = fuel consumption (kg), m = LTO mode (approach/landing, taxi in, taxi out, take off, climb out), t = times in mode (s), ff = fuel flow (kg per s), a = representative aircraft type.

The emissions for one LTO cycle are estimated as follows:

$$E_{LTO}^{a} = \sum_{m=1}^{5} FC_{a,m} \cdot EI_{a,m} \quad (19)$$

Where EI = emission index (g per kg fuel). Due to lack of specific airport data for approach/descent, take off and climb out, standardised times-in-modes of 4, 0.7 and 2.2 minutes are used as defined by ICAO (ICAO, 1995). For taxi in and taxi out, specific times-in-modes data are provided by Eurocontrol for the

airports present in the Danish inventory. For helicopters, taxi in, taxi out and take off times-in-modes are 4, 1 and 3 minutes (Rindlisbacher, 2015). The times-in-modes data are shown in Annex 3.B.10 for the years 2001-2024.

The fuel consumption and emissions for aircraft auxiliary power units (APU's) used by jet aircraft are calculated with the same method used to estimate LTO fuel consumption and emissions for aircraft main engines (formulas 18 and 19). ICAO (2020) is the data source for APU load specific fuel flows (kg per s) and emission rates (g per kg fuel) for different APU aircraft groups (characterised by seating capacity and age). APU times-in-modes for arrival, start-up, boarding and main engine start are also provided by ICAO (2020), whereas push back time intervals are taken from an emission study made in Copenhagen Airport (Ellermann et al., 2011; Winther et al., 2015).

For each representative aircraft type, the calculated fuel consumption and emission factors per LTO are shown in Annex 3.B.10 for Copenhagen Airport and other airports (aggregated) for 2024. APU data for fuel flows, emission rates and times-in-modes are also shown in Annex 3.B.10, together with the correspondence table for APU group-representative aircraft type.

The calculations for cruise use aircraft type specific fuel consumption and emission factors in flight distance classes provided by EMEP/EEA (2025).

The flight distance that parametrises the cruise fuel consumption and emission factors in the EMEP/EEA databank, is interpreted as the entire flown distance between two airports. The factors, however, only include the fuel consumption and emissions for the cruise part of the flight. The fuel consumption and emissions contributions from the part of the flight flown in LTO is included in the LTO factors used to calculate the fuel consumption and emissions for LTO[27].

Data interpolations or extrapolations between flight distance classes are made for each individual flight determined by the actual flown distance between the origin and the destination airports.

The actual flown distance between two airports is in real world traffic higher than the ideal great circle distance (GCD) between the airports. The relation between actual distance and GCD flown is taken from the German TREMOD AV model (Knörr et al., 2012).

For GCD <= 100 NM (<= 185.2 km), 60 km is added to the great circle distance (GCD) to find the actual distance flown. For GCD > 100 NM (>185.2 km), 4 % additional flown distance is added for the part of GCD > 100 NM (>185.2 km):

- Actual flown cruise distance (GCD <= 185.2 km) = GCD + 60 km
- Actual flown cruise distance (GCD > 185.2 km) = (GCD – 185.2 km) x 1,04 + 185.2 km + 60 km.

If the actual flown cruise distance, y, is smaller than the maximum cruise distance for which fuel consumption and emission data are given in the EMEP/EEA data bank, the fuel consumption or emission E (y) becomes:

[27] The distance flown in LTO is estimated by Eurocontrol as 15 NM = 27.78 km, regardless of aircraft type

$$E(y) = E_{x_i} + \frac{(y-x_i)}{x_{i+1}-x_i} \cdot (E_{x_{i+1}} - E_{x_i}) \quad y<x_{max},\ i = 0,1,2\ldots.max\text{-}1 \qquad (20)$$

In (20) x_i and x_{max} denominate the separate cruise distances and the maximum cruise distance, respectively, with known fuel consumption and emissions in the EMEP/EEA databank.

If the actual flown distance, y, exceeds x_{max} the maximum figures for fuel consumption and emissions must be extrapolated and the equation then becomes:

$$E(y) = E_{x_{max}} + \frac{(y-x_{max})}{x_{max}-x_{max-1}} \cdot (E_{x_{max}} - E_{x_{max-1}}) \quad y>x_{max} \qquad (21)$$

Total results are summed up and categorised according to each flight's destination airport code to distinguish between domestic and international flights.

Annex 3.B.10 shows the average fuel consumption and emission factors per representative aircraft type for cruise flying, as well as total distance flown, for 2023[28]. The factors are split between Copenhagen Airport and other airports and distinguish between domestic and international flights.

Specifically for flights between Denmark and Greenland or the Faroe Islands, for each representative aircraft type, the flight distances are directly shown in Annex 3.B.10, which go into the cruise calculation expressions 20 and 21.

The overall fuel precision (fuel balance) in the model is 0.90 in 2024, derived as the fuel ratio between model estimates and statistical sales. The fuel difference is accounted for by adjusting cruising fuel consumption and emissions in the model according to domestic and international cruising fuel shares.

For inventory years before 2001, the calculation procedure is to estimate each year's fuel consumption and emissions for LTO based on LTO/aircraft type statistics from Copenhagen Airport, and total take off numbers for other airports provided by the Danish Transport and Construction Agency. Due to lack of aircraft type specific LTO data, fuel consumption and emission factors derived for domestic LTO's in Copenhagen Airport is used for all LTO's in other airports. In a next step, the total fuel consumption for cruise (true cruise fuel consumption) is found year by year as the statistical fuel consumption total minus the calculated fuel consumption for LTO.

For each inventory year, intermediate cruise fuel consumption figures split into four parts (Copenhagen/Other airports; domestic/international) are found as proportional values between part specific LTO fuel consumption values estimated as described previously, and part specific cruise:LTO fuel consumption ratios for 2001 derived from the detailed city-pair emission inventory.

Each inventory year's true cruise fuel consumption is finally split into four parts by using the intermediate cruise fuel consumption values as a distribution key. As emission factor input data for cruise, aggregated fuel related emission factors for 2001 are derived from the detailed city-pair emission inventory.

[28] Excluding flights for Greenland and the Faroe Islands.

Non-road mobile machinery and recreational craft

Prior to adjustments for deterioration effects and transient engine operations, the fuel consumption and emissions in year X, for a given machinery type, engine size and engine age, are calculated as:

$$E_{Basis}(X)_{i,j,k} = N_{i,j,k} \cdot HRS_{i,j,k} \cdot P \cdot LF_i \cdot EF_{y,z} \quad (22)$$

Where E_{Basis} = fuel consumption/emissions in the basic situation, N = number of engines, HRS = annual working hours, P = average rated engine size in kW, LF = load factor, EF = fuel consumption/emission factor in g pr kWh, i = machinery type, j = engine size, k = engine age, y = engine-size class and z = emission level. The basic fuel consumption and emission factors are shown in Annex 3.B.11.

The deterioration factor for a given machinery type, engine size and engine age in year X depends on the engine-size class (only for gasoline), y, and the emission level, z. The deterioration factors for diesel and gasoline 2-stroke engines are found from:

$$DF_{i,j,k}(X) = \frac{K_{i,j,k}}{LT_i} \cdot DF_{y,z} \quad (23)$$

Where DF = deterioration factor, K = engine age, LT = lifetime, i = machinery type, j = engine size, k = engine age, y = engine-size class and z = emission level.

For gasoline 4-stroke engines the deterioration factors are calculated as:

$$DF_{i,j,k}(X) = \sqrt{\frac{K_{i,j,k}}{LT_i}} \cdot DF_{y,z} \quad (24)$$

The deterioration factors inserted in (23) and (24) are shown in Annex 3.B.11. No deterioration is assumed for fuel consumption (all fuel types) or for LPG engine emissions and, hence, DF = 1 in these situations.

The transient factor for any given machinery type, engine size and engine age in year X, relies only on emission level and load factor, and is denominated as:

$$TF_{i,j,k}(X) = TF_z \quad (25)$$

Where i = machinery type, j = engine size, k = engine age and z = emission level.

The transient factors inserted in (25) are shown in Annex 3.B.11. No transient corrections are made for gasoline and LPG engines and, hence, $TF_z = 1$ for these fuel types.

As a part of some engine manufacturer's emission reduction strategy, a part of the Stage IIIB and IV machines used in building and construction are equipped with preinstalled closed (wall-flow) particle filters (DPF), and hence have low particle emissions. This particle filter effect on particle emissions needs to be considered in the calculations, since the baseline emission factors for TSP more aligns with EU emission legislation limits, and these emission limits do not necessarily require particulate filters in order to be met.

The particle reduction factor, F_{dpf}, for any given machinery type, engine size and engine age in year X, depends on the share of engines with preinstalled closed particle filters, in the different size classes and emission levels:

$$F_{dpf,i,j,k}(X) = \frac{(1-S_{y,z})\cdot EF_{y,z}+S_{y,z}\cdot EF_{dpf,y,z}}{EF_{y,z}} \quad (26)$$

Where F_{dpf}, = particle reduction factor, S = Share of engines with preinstalled DPF's, i = machinery type, j = engine size, and k = engine age. This emission reduction factor relates to PM and BC emissions from Stage IIIB and IV diesel engines with preinstalled DPF's[29]. The emissions from all other non-road machines are not affected by this adjustment.

The final calculation of fuel consumption and emissions in year X for a given machinery type, engine size and engine age, is the product of the expressions 22-26:

$$E(X)_{i,j,k} = E_{Basis}(X)_{i,j,k} \cdot TF(X)_{i,j,k} \cdot (1 + DF(X)_{i,j,k}) \cdot F_{dpf,i,j,k}(X) \quad (27)$$

The evaporative hydrocarbon emissions from fuelling are calculated as:

$$E_{Evap,fueling,i} = FC_i \cdot EF_{Evap,fueling} \quad (28)$$

Where $E_{Evap,fueling}$, = hydrocarbon emissions from fuelling, i = machinery type, FC = fuel consumption in kg, $EF_{Evap,fueling}$ = emission factor in g NMVOC pr kg fuel.

For tank evaporation, the hydrocarbon emissions are found from:

$$E_{Evap,tank,i} = N_i \cdot EF_{Evap,tank,i} \quad (29)$$

Where $E_{Evap,tank,i}$ = hydrocarbon emissions from tank evaporation, N = number of engines, i = machinery type and $EF_{Evap,fueling}$ = emission factor in g NMVOC per year.

National navigation and international navigation

The fuel consumption and emissions in year X, for domestic ferries are calculated as:

$$E(X) = \sum_i N_i \cdot T_i \cdot S_{i,j} \cdot P_i \cdot LF_j \cdot LAF_j \cdot EF_{k,l,y} \quad (30)$$

Where E = fuel consumption/emissions, N = number of round trips, T = sailing time pr round trip in hours, S = ferry share of ferry service round trips, P = engine size in kW, LF = engine load factor, LAF = engine load adjustment factor, EF = fuel consumption/emission factor in g pr kWh, i = ferry service, j = ferry, k = fuel type, l = engine type, y = engine year.

For the remaining navigation categories, other national sea transport and international navigation, the emissions are calculated using a simplified approach:

[29] The particle emission adjustment relating to Stage IIIB and IV engines equipped with DPF's also significantly affects BC emissions, since closed particle filters very efficiently reduce BC from the exhaust.

$$E(X) = \sum_i EC_{i,k} \cdot EF_{k,l,y} \quad (31)$$

Where E = fuel consumption/emissions, EC = energy consumption, EF = fuel consumption/emission factor in g per kg fuel, i = category (other national sea transport, international navigation), k = fuel type, l = engine type, y = average engine year.

The emission factor inserted in (31) is found as an average of the emission factors representing the engine ages which are comprised by the average lifetime in a given calculation year, X:

$$EF_{k,l,y} = \frac{\sum_{year=X}^{year=X-LT} EF_{k,l}}{LT_{k,l}} \quad (32)$$

National fishing

For fishing vessels, the fuel consumption and emissions in year X, are calculated as:

$$E(X) = \sum_i T_i \cdot P_j \cdot LF_j \cdot LAF_j \cdot EF_{k,l,y} \quad (33)$$

Where E = fuel consumption/emissions, T = sailing time pr fishing trip in hours, P = engine size in kW, LF = engine load factor, LAF = engine load adjustment factor, EF = fuel consumption/emission factor in g pr kWh, i = fishing trip no., j = fishing vessel registration no., k = fuel type, l = engine type, y = engine year.

Railways

The fuel consumption and emissions in year X, for DSB (Danish State Railways, 2019-2024) and private railway lines (all years) are calculated as:

$$E(X) = \sum_i EF_{i,j,k} \cdot S_{i,j} \cdot M_{i,j} \quad (34)$$

Here E = fuel consumption/emission, EF = fuel consumption/emission factor in g per train litra km, S = Litra type share of total train litra km, M = total train litra km, i = railway line, j = Litra type and k = fuel type (diesel, GTL or electricity).

As explained in section 3.3.3, in Danish railways, the predominant part of diesel is used by DSB. For 2019-2024, the bottom-up calculated fuel consumption for DSB and private railway companies is subtracted from total diesel fuel sales reported in the statistics (DEA, 2025), and the residual amount of fuel is allocated to the residual group "other railways traffic". For 1985-2018, the bottom-up calculated fuel consumption for private railway companies[30] is subtracted from the statistical fuel sales (DEA, 2025), and the residual amount of fuel is allocated to the residual group "DSB and other railways traffic". For the residual groups "other railways traffic" and "DSB and other railways" average emission factors for DSB are used in the following calculations.

The emissions for DSB and other railways traffic in 1985-2018, and other railways traffic in 2019-2024 are calculated as:

[30] The small amount of GTL calculated for private railways is treated as diesel in this fuel balance, because only diesel and the consumption of electricity is reported for railways in the national statistics.

$$E(X) = FC(X) \cdot EF(X) \quad (35)$$

Where E = fuel consumption/emissions, FC = fuel consumption, EF = emission factor in g per kg fuel.

Military

For military, the emissions are estimated with the simple method using fuel-related emission factors and fuel consumption from the DEA:

$$E(X) = FC(X) \cdot EF(X) \quad (36)$$

where E = emission, FC = fuel consumption and EF = emission factor.

The calculated emissions for other mobile sources are shown in CollectER format in Annex 3.B.16 for the years 1990 and 2024 and as time series 1990-2024 in Annex 3.B.15 (CRF format).

Energy balance between inventory and sales

Following convention rules, the DEA statistical fuel sales figures are the basis for the full Danish inventory. However, in some cases for mobile sources the DEA statistical sectors do not fully match the inventory sectors.

In the following, the transferal of fuel consumption data from DEA statistics into inventory relevant categories is explained for national navigation and national fishing, non-road mobile machinery and recreational craft, and road transport. A full list of all fuel consumption data, DEA figures as well as intermediate fuel consumption data, and final inventory input figures is shown in Annex 3.B.14.

National navigation

Fuel used for the remaining part of the traffic between two Danish ports, other national sea transport, is taken as the difference between 1) DEA national fuel sales for national sea transport minus fuel consumption at Danish offshore installations (offshore reduced fuel sales[31]) and 2) the bottom-up calculated fuel consumption for Danish ferries in DEMOS-Navigation.

For years when the fuel estimates for ferries (not including the ferry to the Faroe Islands) are higher than the "offshore reduced" fuel sold for national sea transport, fuel is taken from fisheries in the case of marine diesel (1985-1999). For heavy fuel oil, the missing fuel amount is taken from stationary sources (1985-1986, 1988, 1994-1996) and international sea transport (2015 onwards).

National fishing

For fisheries, the calculation methodology is activity based with a fuel balance, and input fuel data is in principle the diesel fuel sold for fisheries reported by DEA.

For years when diesel fuel calculated for national navigation are higher than the "Offshore reduced" fuel sold for national navigation, diesel is transferred from fisheries to national navigation in the inventories (1985-1999).

[31] According to the Danish Energy Authority, the latter diesel fuel sales are reported as sold for national navigation by the fuel sales reporting oil companies.

Incorrectly reported gasoline and heavy fuel oil for fisheries is transferred to recreational craft (reported under "Other") and national navigation, respectively.

According to the DEA, in some cases inaccurate costumer specifications are made by the oil suppliers, which result in sector misallocation in the sales statistics between national navigation and fisheries for diesel oil and between national navigation and industry for heavy fuel oil (Peter Dal, DEA, personal communication, 2007). Further, fuel sold for vessels sailing between Denmark and Greenland/Faroe Islands are reported as international in the DEA statistics, and this fuel categorisation is different from the IPCC guideline definitions (see following paragraph "Bunkers").

Inaccurate fuel sale specifications are also the reason for heavy fuel oil being reported for fisheries in the DEA statistics. No engines installed in fishing vessels use heavy fuel oil, even though a certain amount of heavy fuel oil is listed in the DEA numbers for some statistical years (H. Amdissen, Danish Fishermen's Association, personal communication, 2006).

Non-road mobile machinery and recreational craft

For diesel and LPG, the non-road fuel consumption estimated by DEMOS-NRMM is partly covered by the fuel consumption amounts in the following DEA sectors: agriculture and forestry, market gardening, and building and construction. The remaining quantity of non-road diesel and LPG is taken from the DEA industry sector.

For gasoline, the DEA navigation, residential and private service sectors, together with the DEA sectors mentioned for diesel and LPG, contribute to the non-road fuel consumption total. In addition, a certain amount of fuel is transferred from DEA road transport to outbalance the bottom-up fuel consumption calculated in DEMOS-NRMM.

The amount of diesel and LPG in DEA industry not being used by non-road mobile machinery is included in the sectors, "Combustion in manufacturing industry" (0301) and "Non-industrial combustion plants" (0203) in the Danish emission inventory.

The incorrectly reported gasoline for fisheries transferred to recreational craft is far too small to outbalance the bottom-up fuel consumption for recreational craft, and hence the missing fuel amount is taken from the DEA road transport sector for fuel gap filling. The calculated gasoline consumption for recreational craft is grouped in the "Other" inventory category together with military activities.

The bottom-up diesel estimates for recreational craft calculated in DEMOS-NRMM is subtracted from the DEA road transport sector to obtain a fuel balance. This calculated diesel consumption for recreational craft is grouped in the "Other" inventory category together with military activities.

Road transport

A certain amount of gasoline is transferred from DEA road transport to outbalance the bottom-up gasoline consumption calculated for non-road mobile machinery in DEMOS-NRMM.

The bottom-up diesel estimates for recreational craft calculated in DEMOS-NRMM is subtracted from road transport and grouped in the "Other" inventory category together with military activities.

For LPG, the difference between fuel reported in DEA statistics and bottom-up estimates for road transport is outbalanced with fuel totals from "non-industrial combustion plants" (020200) to obtain a fuel balance.

Classification of domestic and international aviation and navigation for Denmark

The distinction between domestic and international fuel consumption and emissions from aviation and navigation for Denmark are in accordance with the 2006 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories. For the national emission inventory, this, in principle, means that fuel sold (and associated emissions) for flights/sea transportation starting from a seaport/airport in the Kingdom of Denmark, with destinations inside or outside the Kingdom of Denmark, are regarded as domestic or international, respectively.

Aviation

As prescribed by the IPCC guidelines, for aviation, the fuel consumption and emissions associated with flights inside the Kingdom of Denmark are counted as domestic.

This report includes flights from airports in Denmark and associated jet fuel sales. Hence, the flights between airports in Denmark and flights from Denmark to Greenland and the Faroe Islands are classified as domestic and flights from Danish airports with destinations outside the Kingdom of Denmark are classified as international flights.

In Greenland and in the Faroe Islands, the jet fuel sold is treated as domestic. This decision becomes reasonable when considering that almost no fuel is bunkered in Greenland/the Faroe Islands by flights other than those going to Denmark.

Navigation

In DEA statistics, the domestic fuel total consists of fuel sold to Danish ferries and other ships sailing between two Danish ports. The DEA international fuel total consists of the fuel sold in Denmark to international ferries, international warships, other ships with foreign destinations, transport to Greenland and the Faroe Islands, tank vessels and foreign fishing boats.

In order to follow the IPCC guidelines the bottom-up fuel estimates for the ferry routes between Denmark and the Faroe Islands, and fuel sold in Denmark to vessels engaged in freight transportation between Denmark and Greenland/Faroe Islands are being subtracted from the fuel sales figures for international sea transport prior to inventory fuel input.

In Greenland, all marine fuel sales are treated as domestic. In the Faroe Islands, fuel sold in Faroese ports for Faroese fishing vessels and other Faroese ships is treated as domestic. The fuel sold to Faroese ships bunkering outside Faroese waters and the fuel sold to foreign ships in Faroese ports or outside Faroese waters is classified as international (Lastein and Winther, 2003).

Conclusively, the domestic/international fuel split (and associated emissions) for navigation is not determined with the same precision as for aviation. It is

considered, however, that the potential of incorrectly allocated fuel quantities is only a small part of the total fuel sold for navigational purposes in the Kingdom of Denmark.

3.3.5 Uncertainty assessment and time-series consistency

Tier 1 uncertainty estimates for greenhouse gases, are made for road transport and other mobile sources using the guidelines formulated in the 2006 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories (IPCC, 2006). For road transport, railways and fisheries, these guidelines provide uncertainty factors for activity data that are used in the Danish situation. For other sectors, the factors reflect specific national knowledge (Winther et al., 2006 and Winther, 2008). These sectors are (SNAP categories): Inland Waterways (a part of 1A3d: Navigation), Agriculture and Forestry (parts of 1A4c: Agriculture-/forestry/fisheries), Industry (mobile part of (1A2f: Industry-other), Residential (1A4b) and National sea transport (a part of 1A3d: Navigation).

The activity data uncertainty factor for civil aviation is based on expert judgement.

The calculations for Tier 1 are shown in Annex 3.B.17 for all emission components.

Table 3.3.20 Tier 1 Uncertainties for activity data, emission factors and total emissions in 2024 and as a trend.

Category	Activity data	CO_2	CH_4	N_2O
		%		
Road transport	2	5	40	50
Military	2	5	100	1000
Railways	2	5	100	1000
Navigation (small boats)	41	5	100	1000
Navigation (large vessels)	11	5	100	1000
Fisheries	2	5	100	1000
Agriculture	24	5	100	1000
Forestry	30	5	100	1000
Industry (mobile)	41	5	100	1000
Residential	35	5	100	1000
Commercial/Institutional	35	5	100	1000
Civil aviation	10	5	100	1000
Overall uncertainty in 2024		5.0	29	64
Trend uncertainty		4.3	1.5	162

As regards time series consistency, background flight data cannot be made available on a city-pair level prior to 2000. However, aided by LTO/aircraft statistics for these years and the use of proper assumptions, a good level of consistency is in any case, obtained for this part of the transport inventory.

The time series of emissions for mobile machinery in the agriculture, forestry, industry, household and gardening (residential) and inland waterways (part of navigation) sectors are less certain than time series for other sectors, since DEA statistical figures do not explicitly provide fuel consumption information for working equipment and machinery.

3.3.6 Category-specific QA/QC and verification

The intention is to publish every second year a sector report for road transport and other mobile sources. The last sector report prepared concerned the 2022 inventory (Winther, 2024).

The QA/QC descriptions of the Danish emission inventories for transport follow the general QA/QC description for DCE in Section 1.6, based on the prescriptions given in the IPCC Good Practice Guidance and Uncertainty Management in National Greenhouse Gas Inventories (IPCC, 2000). A general QA/QC plan for the Danish greenhouse gas inventory has been elaborated by Nielsen et al. (2012).

An overview diagram of the Danish emission inventory system is presented in Figure 1.2 (Data storage and processing levels), and the exact definitions of Critical Control Points (CCP) and Points of Measurements (PM) are given in Section 1.6. The status for the PMs relevant for the mobile sector is given in the following text and the result of this investigation indicates a need for future QA/QC activities in order to fulfil the QA/QC requirements from the IPCC GPG.

Data storage level 1

Data Storage level 1	3.Completeness	DS.1.3.1	Documentation showing that all possible national data sources are included by setting down the reasoning behind the selection of datasets.

The following external data sources are used in the mobile part of the Danish emission inventories for activity data and supplementary information:

- Danish Energy Agency: Official Danish energy statistics.
- National sea transport (Royal Arctic Line, Eim Skip): Annual fuel consumption data.
- DTU Transport: Road traffic vehicle fleet and mileage data.
- Danish Civil Aviation and Railway Authority: Flight statistics.
- Danish Civil Aviation and Railway Authority: Train km statistics for private railways.
- Road transport (Statistics Denmark): Trip length data for heavy duty trucks in Denmark.
- Non-road mobile machinery: Information from statistical sources, research organisations, different professional organisations and machinery manufacturers.
- Ferries (Statistics Denmark): Data for annual return trips for Danish ferry routes.
- Ferries (Danish Ferry Historical Society): Detailed technical and operational data for specific ferries.
- Ferries (Mols Linjen, Bornholmstrafikken, Langelandstrafikken, Færgeselskabet Læsø, Samsø Rederi, Ærøfærgerne A/S, Smyril Line): Detailed technical and operational data for specific ferries.
- Danish Meteorological Institute (DMI): Temperature data.
- The National Motorcycle Association: 2-wheeler data.

The emission factors come from various sources:

- Danish Energy Agency: CO_2 emission factors (all fuel types, except diesel, CNG, LPG and GTL) and lower heating values (all fuel types, except CNG, LNG, biogas and GTL).
- COPERT 5: Road transport (all exhaust components, except CO_2, SO_2).
- Handbook of Emission Factors (fuel consumption factors for battery electric trucks, buses and 2-wheelers, and fuel cell passenger cars, vans, trucks and buses).
- Danish State Railways: Diesel locomotives (NO_X, VOC, CO and TSP).
- IPCC: CO_2 emission factors for diesel.
- Energinet.dk: CO_2 emission factors for CNG, LNG, biogas.
- EMEP/EEA guidebook: Civil aviation and supplementary.
- ICAO: Civil aviation auxiliary power units.
- Non-road mobile machinery: References given in NIR report and NERI reports.
- National navigation and fisheries: TEMA2015 (NO_X, VOC, CO and TSP), IMO (TSP), MAN Energy Solutions (sfc, NO_X), specific data from Mols Linjen (NO_x, CO, NMVOC, TSP) and LNG emission factors (NO_x, CO, NMVOC, TSP) from Bengtsson et al. (2011).

Table 3.3.21 to follow contains Id, File/Directory/Report name, Description, Reference and Contacts. As regards File/Directory/Report name, this field refers to a file name for Id when all external data (time series for the existing inventory) are stored in one file. In other cases, a computer directory name is given when the external data used are stored in several files, e.g. each file contains one inventory year's external data or each file contains time series of external data for sub-categories of machinery. A third situation occurs when the external data are published in publicly available reports; here the aim is to obtain electronic copies for internal archiving.

Table 3.3.21 Overview table of external data and contact persons for transport.

Id no	File/-Directory/-Report name	Description	Activity data or emission factor	Reference	Contacts	Data agreement
T1	Transport energy[1]	Dataset for all transport energy use	Activity data	The Danish Energy Agency (DEA)	Ali Zarnaghi	Yes
T2	Fleet and mileage data[2]	Road transport fleet and mileage data	Activity data	DTU Transport	Thomas Jensen	Yes
T3	Flight statistics[2]	Data records for all flights	Activity data	Danish Civil Aviation and Railway Authority	Johanne Grøntved Jeppesen	Yes
T4	Non-road machinery[2]	Stock and operational data for non-road machinery	Activity data	Non-road Documentation report		No
T5	Emissions from ships[3]	Data for ferry traffic	Activity data	Statistics Denmark	Heidi Sørensen	No
T6	Emissions from ships[3]	Technical and operational data for Danish ferries	Activity data	Navigation emission documentation report	Hans Otto Kristensen	No
T7	Temperature data[3]	Monthly average of daily max/min temperatures	Other data	Danish Meteorological Institute	Danish Meteorological Institute	No
T8	Fleet and mileage data[1]	Stock data for mopeds and motorcycles	Activity data	The National Motorcycle Association	Henrik Markamp	No
T9	CO_2 emission factors[1]	DEA CO_2 emission factors (all fuel types)	Emission factor	The Danish Energy Agency (DEA)	Ali Zarnaghi	No
T10	COPERT 5 emission factors[2]	Road transport emission factors	Emission factor	Laboratory of applied thermodynamics Aristotle University Thessaloniki	Leonidas Ntziachristos	No
T11	Railways emission factors[1]	Emission factors for diesel locomotives	Emission factor	Danish State Railways	Jesper Mølgård	Yes
T12	EMEP/EEA guidebook[3]	Emission factors for navigation, civil aviation and supplementary	Emission factor	European Environment Agency	European Environment Agency	No
T13	Non-road emission factors[3]	Emission factors for agriculture, forestry, industry and household/gardening	Emission factor	Non-road Documentation report		No
T14	Emissions from ships[3]	Emission factors for national sea transport and fisheries	Emission factor	Navigation emission documentation report		No
T15	Fishery activity statistics	Electronic trip-level data for fishing vessels	Activity data	Aarhus University	Nikolaj Andersen	No
T16	Railway statistics	Train km for private railways	Activity data	Danish Civil Aviation and Railway Authority	Tina Schelde	Yes

[1)] File name;
[2)] Directory in the DCE data library structure; [3)] Reports available on the internet.

Danish Energy Agency (energy statistics)

The official Danish energy statistics are provided by the Danish Energy Agency (DEA) and are regarded as complete on a national level. For most transport sectors, the DEA subsector classifications fit the SNAP classifications used by DCE.

For non-road mobile machinery, this is however not the case, since DEA do not distinguish between mobile and stationary fuel consumption in the subsectors relevant for non-road mobile fuel consumption.

In this case, DCE calculates a bottom-up non-road fuel consumption estimate and for diesel (land-based machinery only) and LPG, the residual fuel quantities are allocated to stationary consumption. For gasoline (land-based machinery) the relevant fuel consumption quantities for the DEA are smaller than the DCE estimates, and the amount of fuel consumption missing is subtracted from the DEA road transport total to account for all fuel sold. For recreational craft, no specific DEA category exists and, in this case, the gasoline and diesel fuel consumption is taken from road transport.

For years when the fuel estimates for national navigation are higher than DEA reported fuel sold for national navigation, fuel is taken from fisheries in the case of marine diesel (1985-1999). For heavy fuel oil, the missing fuel amount is taken from stationary sources (1985-1986, 1988, 1994-1996) and international navigation (2015 onwards).

To maintain the national energy balance, the changes in the fuel consumption time series for national navigation lead, in turn, to changes in the fuel activity data for fisheries (diesel oil), industry and international navigation (heavy fuel oil).

The DCE fuel modifications, thus, give DEA-SNAP differences for road transport, national navigation and fisheries.

A special note must be made for the DEA civil aviation statistical figures. The domestic/international fuel consumption division derives from bottom-up fuel consumption calculations made by DCE.

DTU Transport

Figures for fleet numbers and mileage data are provided by DTU Transport on behalf of the Danish Ministry of Transport. Following the data deliverance contract between DCE and the Danish Ministry of Transport, it is a basic task for DTU Transport to possess comprehensive information on Danish road traffic. The fleet figures are based on data from the Danish vehicle register, kept by Statistics Denmark and are, therefore, regarded as very precise. Annual mileage information is obtained by DTU Transport from the Danish Vehicle Inspection and Maintenance Program.

Danish Civil Aviation and Railway Authority (Former: Civil Aviation Agency of Denmark), aircraft flight data and train km for private railway lines

The Danish Civil Aviation and Railway Authority monitors all aircraft movements in Danish airspace and, in this connection, possesses data records for all take-offs and landings at Danish airports. The dataset from 2001 onwards, among others consisting of aircraft type and origin and destination airports for all flights leaving major Danish airports, are, therefore, regarded as very complete. For inventory years before 2001, the most accurate data contain Transport Authority total movements from major Danish airports and detailed aircraft type distributions for aircraft using Copenhagen Airport, provided by the airport itself.

The Danish Civil Aviation and Railway Authority monitors all train traffic made by private railway lines in Denmark. The dataset is therefore regarded as very complete.

Aarhus University (fishing activity data)

Aarhus University gather data electronic log data for all fishing travels made by Danish fishing vessels, and is regarded as very complete. The data consist of vessel engine size and brutto tonnes, vessel build year, vessel type and the time duration of the fishing travel. This data is forwarded to Aarhus University as a part of a data agreement.

Non-road machinery (stock and operational data)

A great deal of stock and operational data for non-road machinery was obtained in a research project carried out by Winther et al. (2006) for the 2004 in-

ventory. In 2016, comprehensive data updates were made for the most important building and construction machinery concerning engine load factors, equipment size - engine size relations, equipment scrapping curves and annual working hours as a function of engine age. In 2017, comprehensive data updates were made for the most important household and gardening machinery types concerning new sales data, equipment size - engine size relations, equipment scrapping curves and annual working hours as a function of machinery age, with sales figures validated through discussions with KVL.

In 2021, several comprehensive data updates were made. For tractors, stock data was updated based on data from the Danish vehicle register kept by Statistics Denmark.

For forklifts, a revision of the stock data was made by including WITS (World Industrial Truck Sales) and FEM (Federation European Material) forklift sales figures for Denmark in 2000-2020 provided by Toyota Material Handling, to adjust sales data provided by the Association of Producers and Distributors of Fork Lifts in Denmark for 1976-2019.

For forestry non road machinery, a revision of the number of forestry machines, engine size, annual working hours and average lifetimes was made based on data provided by the Danish Forest Association.

The source for the stock of harvesters is Statistics Denmark. Sales figures for harvesters and construction machinery, together with operational data and supplementary information, are obtained from The Association of Danish Agricultural Machinery Dealers and key experts from the most important engine manufacturers.

Stock information disaggregated into vessel types for recreational craft was obtained from the Danish Sailing Association. A certain part of the operational data comes from previous Danish non-road research projects (Dansk Teknologisk Institut, 1992 and 1993; Bak et al., 2003).

Except for tractors, no statistical register exists for non-road machinery types and this affects the accuracy of stock and operational data.

For harvesters, Statistics Denmark provide total stock data based on information from questionnaires and the registers of crop subsidy applications kept by the Ministry of Environment and Food of Denmark. In combination with new sales figures per engine size from The Association of Danish Agricultural Machinery Dealers, the best available stock data are obtained.

In addition, using the data sources for construction machinery, forestry equipment, gasoline fuelled gardening machinery and forklift sale figures are regarded as the only realistic approach for consolidated stock information for these machinery types.

Total stock estimates and engine lifetime assumptions are used to disaggregate the stock into layers in the case of machinery types (rare types of diesel and gasoline non-road equipment, recreational craft) where data is even scarcer.

To support the 2025 inventory, new 2024 stock data for forestry equipment, construction machinery, forklifts and gasoline fuelled garden equipment was obtained from the sources listed in the present report. For non-road machinery

in general, it is, however, uncertain if data in such a level can be provided annually in the future.

Ferries (Statistics Denmark)
Statistics Denmark provides information of annual return trips for all Danish ferry routes from 1990 onwards. The data are based on monthly reports from passenger and ferry shipping companies in terms of transported vehicles passengers and goods. Thus, the data from Statistics Denmark are regarded as complete. Most likely, the data can be provided annually in the future.

Ferries (Danish Ferry Historical Society, DFS)
No central registration of technical and operational data for Danish ferries and ferry routes is available from official statistics. However, one valuable reference to obtain data and facts about construction and operation of Danish ferries, especially in the recent 20 - 30 years is the archives of Danish Ferry Historical Society. Pure technical data has not only been obtained from this society´s archives, but some of the knowledge has been obtained through the personal insight about ferries from some of the members of the society, which have been directly involved in the ferry business for example consultants, naval architects, marine engineers, captains and superintendents. However, until recently no documentation of the detailed DFS knowledge was established in terms of written reports or a central database system.

To make use of all the ferry specific data for the Danish inventories, DSF made a data documentation for the years 1990-2005 as a specific task of the research project carried out by Winther (2008).

Ferries (Mols Linjen, Bornholmstrafikken, Langelandstrafikken,
Færgeselskabet Læsø, Samsø Rederi, Ærøfærgerne A/S, Smyril Line)
For the years 2006+, the major Danish ferry companies are contacted each year to obtain ferry technical data, relating to specific ferries in service, annual share of total round trips and other technical information. The relevant annual information is given as personal communication, a method, which can be repeated in the future.

National navigation (Royal Arctic Line, Eim Skip)
For the years 2006+, the major shipping companies with frequent sailing activities between Denmark and Greenland/Faroe Islands are contacted each year to obtain data for fuel sold in Denmark used for these vessel activities. The relevant annual information is given as personal communication, a method, which can be repeated in the future.

Danish Meteorological Institute
The monthly average max/min temperature for Denmark comes from DMI. This source is self-explanatory in terms of meteorological data. Data are publicly available for each year on the internet.

The National Motorcycle Association
Road transport: 2-wheeler stock information (The National Motorcycle Association). Given that no consistent national data are available for mopeds in terms of fleet numbers and distributions according to engine principle, The National Motorcycle Association is considered the professional organisation, where most expert knowledge is available. The relevant annual information is given as personal communication, a method, which can be repeated in the future.

Danish Energy Agency (CO_2 emission factors and lower heating values)

The CO_2 emission factors and net calorific values (NCV) are fuel-specific constants. The country-specific values from the DEA are used for all inventory years.

COPERT 5

COPERT 5 provides factors for fuel consumption and for all exhaust emission components, which are included in the national inventory. For several reasons, COPERT 5 is regarded as the most appropriate source of road traffic fuel consumption and emission factors. First, very few Danish emission measurements exist, so data are too scarce to support emission calculations on a national level. Secondly, most of the fuel consumption and emission information behind the COPERT model are derived from different large European research activities, and the formulation of fuel consumption and emission factors for all single vehicle categories has been made by a group of road traffic emission experts. A large degree of internal consistency is, therefore, achieved. Finally, the COPERT model is regularly updated with new experimental findings from European research programs and, apart from updated fuel consumption and emission factors, the use of COPERT 5 by many European countries ensures a large degree of cross-national consistency in reported emission results.

The Handbook of Emission Factors

The Handbook of Emission Factors is a comprehensive road transport emission model developed by a consortium of research institutes in Germany, Austria, Switzerland, France, Sweden and Norway. A large corporation exist, and data exchange activities takes place between Handbook, COPERT 5 and other European emission modellers, with the aims of sharing basis emission and fuel consumption measurement data as basis input for the different emission models. The most recent version of the Handbook is in a few cases more updated in terms fuel consumption data for battery electric trucks, buses and 2-wheelers, and fuel cell passenger cars, vans, trucks and buses.

Danish State Railways (Fuel consumption and emission factors)

Fuel consumption and emission factors of NO_x, VOC, CO and TSP per train litra type for diesel locomotives are provided by the Danish State Railways.

EMEP/EEA guidebook

Fuel consumption and emission data from the EMEP/EEA guidebook is the prime and basic source for the aviation and navigation part of the Danish emission inventories. For aviation, the guidebook contains the most comprehensive list of representative aircraft types available for city-pair fuel consumption and emission calculations. The data have been provided by Eurocontrol (the European aviation safety organization) specifically for detailed national inventory use and was evaluated by the transport expert panel in the TFEIP (Task Force for Emission Inventories and Projections) under UNECE CLRTAP.

In addition, the EMEP/EEA guidebook is the source of non-exhaust TSP, PM_{10}, $PM_{2.5}$ and BC emission factors for road transport, and the primary source of emission factors for some emission components – typically N_2O, NH_3 and PAH – for other mobile sources.

Non-road machinery (fuel consumption and emission factors)

The references for non-road machinery fuel consumption and emission factors are listed in Winther (2024) and in the present report. The fuel consumption and emission data are regarded as one of the most comprehensive data collections

on a European level, having been thoroughly evaluated by German emission measurement and non-road experts in German non-road inventory projects.

National navigation and fisheries

Emission factors for NO_X, VOC and CO are taken from the TEMA2015 model developed for the Ministry of Transport. The emission factors primarily originate from the exhaust emission measurement programme carried out by Lloyd's (1995). For TSP, IMO (2015) is the source for the emission factors. For NO_X, additional information of emission factors for engine manufacturing years going back to 1949, as well as NO_X, VOC and CO emission factors for engines built after 2010, was provided by the engine manufacturer MAN Energy Solutions. PM_{10} and $PM_{2.5}$ fractions of total TSP were also provided by the latter source.

Specifically for the ferries used by Mols Linjen, new NO_x, VOC and CO emission factors are provided by Kristensen (2008), originating from measurement results by Hansen et al. (2004), Wismann (1999) and PHP (1996). Kristensen (2013, 2019) has provided complimentary emission factor data for new ferries.

The experimental work by Lloyd's is still regarded as the most comprehensive measurement campaign with results publicly available. The additional NO_X and $PM_{10}/PM_{2.5}$ information comes from the world's largest ship engine manufacturer and data from this source is consistent with data from Lloyd's. Consequently, the data used in the Danish inventories for national sea transport is regarded as the best available for emission calculations.

Data Storage level 1	1. Accuracy	DS.1.1.1	General level of uncertainty for every dataset, including the reasoning for the specific values

The uncertainty involved in the DEA fuel consumption information (except civil aviation) and the Danish Transport and Construction Agency flight statistics is negligible, as such, and this is also true for DMI temperature data. For civil aviation, some uncertainty prevails, since the domestic fuel consumption figures originate from a division of total jet-fuel sales figures into domestic and international fuel quantities, derived from bottom-up calculations. A part of the fuel consumption uncertainties for non-road machines is due to the varying levels of stock and operational data uncertainties, as explained in DS 1.3.1.

As regards emission factors, the CO_2 factors (and NCVs) from the DEA are considered very precise, since they relate only to the fuel. For the remaining emission factor sources, the SO_2 (based on fuel sulphur content), NO_X, NMVOC, CH_4, CO, TSP, PM_{10} and $PM_{2.5}$ emission factors are less accurate. Though many measurements have been made, the experimental data rely on the individual measurement and combustion conditions. The uncertainties for N_2O and NH_3 emission factors are even higher due to the small number of measurements available. For heavy metals and PAH, experimental data are so scarce that uncertainty becomes very high.

A special note must be made for energy. The uncertainties due to the subsequent treatment of DEA data for road transport, national sea transport, fisheries and the non-road relevant sectors, explained in DS 1.3.1, trigger some uncertainties in the fuel consumption figures for these sectors. This point is, though, more relevant for QA/QC description for data processing, Level 1.

Data Storage level 1	2.Comparability	DS.1.2.1	Comparability of the emission factors/calculation parameters with data from international guidelines, and evaluation of major discrepancies.

Work has been carried out to compare Danish figures with corresponding data from other countries to evaluate discrepancies. The comparisons have been made on a CRF level, mostly for implied emission factors (Fauser et al., 2007, 2013).

Data Storage level 1	4.Consistency	DS.1.4.1	The origin of external data has to be archived with proper reference.

It is ensured that the original files from external data sources are archived internally at DCE. Subsequent raw data processing is carried out either in the DEMOS model or in spreadsheets (data processing level 1).

Data Storage level 1	6.Robustness	DS.1.6.1	Explicit agreements between the external institution holding the data and DCE about the condition of delivery

For transport, DCE has made formal agreements regarding external data deliverance with (Table 3.3.21 external data source Id's in brackets): DEA (T1), the Danish Civil Aviation and Railway Authority (T3), Danish State Railways (T9) and DTU Transport (T2).

Data Storage level 1	7. Transparency	DS.1.7.1	Listing of all archived datasets and external contacts

The listing of all archived datasets and external contact persons are given in Table 3.3.21.

Data Processing Level 1

Data Processing level 1	1. Accuracy	DP.1.1.1	Uncertainty assessment for every data source not part of DS.1.1.1 as input to Data Storage level 2 in relation to type and scale of variability.

The general uncertainties of the DEA fuel consumption information, DMI temperature data, road transport stock totals and the Danish Aviation and Railway Authority flight and train km statistics are zero. For domestic aviation fuel consumption, the uncertainty is based on own judgement. For road transport, military and railways the fuel consumption uncertainties are taken from the IPCC Good Practice Guidance manual. It is noted that for road transport, it is not possible to quantify in-depth the uncertainties (1) of stock distribution into COPERT 5 relevant vehicle subsectors and (2) of the national mileage figures, as such.

In the mobile part of the Danish emission inventories, uncertainty assessments are made at Data Processing Level 1 for non-road mobile machinery, recreational craft and national sea transport. For these types of mobile machinery, the stock and operational data variations are assumed to be normally distributed (Winther et al., 2006; Winther, 2008). Tier 1 uncertainty calculations produce final fuel consumption uncertainties ready for Data Storage Level 2 (SNAP level 2: Inland waterways, agriculture, forestry, industry and household-gardening).

The sizes of the variation intervals are given for activity data and emission factors in the present report.

For non-road mobile machinery stock and operational data, the uncertainty figures are given in Winther et al. (2006). For navigation, the uncertainty figures are given in Winther (2008).

For emission factors, the uncertainties for mobile sources are determined as suggested in the IPCC and UNECE guidelines. The uncertainty figures are listed in Paragraph 1.1.5 for greenhouse gases, and in Winther et al. (2006) and Winther (2008, 2024) for the remaining emission components.

Data Processing level 1	1. Accuracy	DP.1.2.1	The methodologies have to follow the international guidelines suggested by UNFCCC and IPCC.

An evaluation of the methodological inventory approach has been made, which proves that the emission inventories for transport are made according to the IPCC guidelines (IPCC, 2006). Further, the Danish inventories are reviewed annually by the UNFCCC.

Data Processing level 1	1. Accuracy	DP.1.1.4	Verification of calculation results using guideline values

It has been checked that the greenhouse gas emission factors used in the Danish inventory are within margin of the IPCC guideline values.

Data Processing level 1	3.Completeness	DP.1.3.1	Identification of data gaps with regard to data sources that could improve quantitative knowledge.

No important areas can be identified.

Data Processing level 1	4.Consistency	DP.1.4.1	Documentation and reasoning of methodological changes during the time series and the qualitative assessment of the impact on time series consistency.

See DP 1.7.5.

Data Processing level 1	5.Correctness	DP.1.5.2	Verification of calculation results using time series

Data Processing level 1	5.Correctness	DP.1.5.3	Verification of calculation results using other measures

For road transport, aviation, navigation and non-road machinery, whether all external data are correctly put into DCE's DEMOS model system is checked. This is facilitated using sum queries, which sum up stock data (and mileages for road transport) to input aggregation levels. However, spreadsheet or database manipulations of external data are, in some cases, included in a step prior to this check.

This is carried out to produce homogenous input tables for the DEMOS submodels (Road, Railways, Aviation, Navigation, NRMM). The sub-routines perform operations, such as the aggregation/disaggregation of data into first sales

year (Examples: Fleet numbers and mileage for road transport, stock numbers for tractors, harvesters and forklifts) or simple lists of total stock per year (per machinery type for e.g. household equipment and for recreational craft). For civil aviation, additional databases control the allocation of representative aircraft to real aircraft types and the flown distance between airports. A more formal description of the sub-routines will be made.

Regarding fuel data, it is checked for road transport and civil aviation that DEA totals (modified for road) match the input values in the DEMOS sub- models. For the transport modes military, the DEA fuel consumption figures go directly into Data Storage Level 2. This is also the case in general, for the emission factors, which are kept constant over the years.

The DEMOS model calculations of fuel consumption and emission factors for road transport, railways, civil aviation, navigation, fishing and non-road mobile machinery refer to Data Processing Level 1.

When DEMOS model changes are made relating to fuel consumption, it is checked that the calculated fuel consumption sums correspond to the expected fuel consumption levels in the time series. The fuel consumption check also includes a time series comparison with fuel consumption totals calculated in the previous model version. The checks are performed on a SNAP level and, if appropriate, detailed checks are made for vehicle/-machinery technology splits.

As regards model changes in relation to derived emission factors (and calculated emissions), the time series of emission factors (and emissions) are compared to previous model figures. A part of this evaluation includes an assessment, if the development corresponds to the underlying assumptions given by detailed input parameters. Among other things, the latter parameters depend on emission legislation, new technology phase-in, deterioration factors, engine operational conditions/driving modes, gasoline evaporation (hydrocarbons) and cold starts. For methodological issues, please refer to Section 3.3.2.

Data Processing level 1	7.Transparency	DP.1.7.1	The calculation principle, the equations used and the assumptions made must be described

The DEMOS model calculation principles and basic equations are thoroughly described in the present report, together with the theoretical model reasoning and assumptions. Documentation is also given e.g. in Winther (2001a, 2001b, 2008, 2023 and 2024). Further formal descriptions of DEMOS model sub routines are given in internal notes, and flow maps show the interrelations between tables and calculation queries in the models.

During model development, it has been checked that all mathematical model relations give the same results as independent calculations.

Data Processing level 1	7.Transparency	DP.1.7.2	Clear reference to dataset at Data Storage level 1

In the different documentation reports for transport in the Danish emission inventories, there are explicit references for the different external data used.

Data Processing level 1	7.Transparency	DP.1.7.3	A manual log to collect information about recalculations

Recalculation changes in the emission inventories are described in the NIR and IIR reports as a standard. These descriptions consider changes in emission factors, activity data and calculation methods.

Data Storage Level 2

Data Storage level 2	5.Correctness	DS.2.5.1	Check if a correct data import to level 2 has been made

At present, a DCE software program exports data from prepared input data tables (SNAP fuel consumption figures and emission factors) to the CollectER database.

Tables for CollectER fuel consumption and emission results are prepared in a special DCE database (NERIrep.mdb). The results relevant for mobile sources are copied into a database containing all the official inventory results for mobile sources (Data2023 NIR-UNECE.mdb). Using database queries, the results from this latter database are aggregated into the same formats as being used by the relevant DCE transport models in their results calculation part. The final comparison between CollectER and DEMOS transport model results are set up in a spreadsheet.

Data Storage Level 4

Data Storage level 4	4.Consistency	DS.4.4.3	The IEFs from the CRF are checked regarding both level and trend. The level is compared to relevant emission factors to ensure correctness. Large dips/jumps in the time series are explained

A spreadsheet "Check CRF 2023.xls" has been set up to check that the fuel consumption and emission totals from CollectER imported in Data2023 NIR-UNECE.mdb are identical to the fuel consumption and emission totals from the CRF.

3.3.7 Category-specific recalculations

Road transport

For road transport the following changes have been made.

- Emission factors of VOC and CH_4 have been updated for Euro 5-7 diesel passenger cars based on COPERT model updates.
- Emission factors of VOC have been updated for Euro 6 and 7 PHEV passenger cars based on COPERT model updates.
- Emission factors of VOC and CH_4 have been updated for Euro 6 and 7 diesel light commercial vehicles based on COPERT model updates.
- Fuel consumption factors and emission factors of CO, NO_x, VOC, PM, CH_4 and SPN23 have been updated for Euro V-VII heavy duty vehicles and coaches based on COPERT model updates.
- Emission factors of N_2O and NH3 have been updated for Euro VI-VII heavy duty vehicles and coaches based on COPERT model updates.
- Emission factors of TSP, PM_{10} and $PM_{2.5}$ for brake wear have been updated for passenger cars and light commercial vehicles, based on COPERT model updates.

- Emission factors of dioxins/furanes and PAH's have been updated for all vehicle types, based on COPERT model updates.
- The urban/rural mileage distribution for mopeds has been updated for the years 1985-2023 due to updated data from DTU Transport.
- Energy consumption of biodiesel has been accounted for in the fuel statistics for railways for the years 2011-2023. This biodiesel energy consumption was previously reported under road transport. The biodiesel energy consumption for road transport has now been reduced with the energy amounts for accounted for biodiesel in railways in 2011-2023, to obtain a cross-sectoral fuel balance for biodiesel in the energy statistics.
- In turn, the energy amounts for diesel in road transport have been increased with the absolute energy amounts of biodiesel that have been subtracted from road transport in these years (as explained above), to obtain a fuel balance for the sum of diesel and biodiesel for road transport.
- The fuel consumption for gasoline in road transport has been reduced from 1990-2023 in the energy statistics. These gasoline fuel consumption reductions account for changes in gasoline fuel consumption in the energy statistics for gasoline used in private service now reported under private service in the energy statistics, and gasoline used by pleasure craft now reported under national sea transport in the energy statistics. Previously, gasoline fuel consumption for these two fuel sources was reported under road transport.

The percentage emission change interval and year of largest absolute percentage differences (low %; high %, year) for the different emission components are: CO_2 (0.10 %, 0.0 %, 2014), CH_4 (-10.7 %; +2.3 %, 2023) and N_2O (-0.4 %; 167 %, 2023).

Navigation

For navigation the following changes have been made.

- The fuel consumption data for diesel and residual oil from Royal Arctic Line has been updated for the years 1985-2023.

The following largest percentage differences (in brackets) for navigation are noted for CO_2 (-6.9 %), CH_4 (-5.2 %) and N_2O (-6.7 %).

Fisheries

For fisheries no changes have been made.

Agriculture/forestry

For agriculture/forestry the following changes have been made.

- Updates in the NO_x, CO, VOC and TSP emission factors for diesel fuelled machinery based on new emission data from IFEU (2020).
- Updated index table for GDP, effecting these machinery type stock numbers that are proportional with GDP in the NRMM emission model.

The following largest percentage differences (in brackets) for agriculture/forestry are noted for CO_2 (0.0 %), CH_4 (-0.6 %) and N_2O (0.0 %).

Industry

For industry the following changes have been made.

- Updates in the NO_x, CO, VOC and TSP emission factors for diesel fuelled machinery based on new emission data from IFEU (2020).
- Small updates in stock numbers for diesel fuelled machinery in 2022 and 2023.
- Updated index table for GDP, effecting these machinery type stock numbers that are proportional with GDP in the NRMM emission model.

The following largest percentage differences (in brackets) for industry are noted for CO_2 (-0.7 %), CH_4 (-2.2 %) and N_2O (-0.6 %).

Commercial and institutional

For commercial and institutional the following changes have been made.

- Updates in the NO_x, CO, VOC and TSP emission factors for diesel fuelled machinery based on new emission data from IFEU (2020).
- Updated index table for GDP, effecting these machinery type stock numbers that are proportional with GDP in the NRMM emission model.

The following largest percentage differences (in brackets) for commercial and institutional are noted for CO_2 (0.0 %), CH_4 (0.0 %) and N_2O (0.0 %).

Residential

For residential the following changes have been made.

- Updated index table for GDP, effecting these machinery type stock numbers that are proportional with GDP in the NRMM emission model.

The following largest percentage differences (in brackets) for residential are noted for CO_2 (-0.2 %), CH_4 (-0.4 %) and N_2O (-0.03 %).

Railways

For railways the following changes have been made.

- Energy consumption of biodiesel has been accounted for in the fuel statistics for railways for the years 2011-2023. In turn, the energy amounts for diesel in railways have been reduced with the energy amounts for biodiesel now accounted for in railways in 2011-2023, to obtain a fuel balance for the sum of diesel and biodiesel for railways.
- Small emission factor changes are made for TSP, PM_{10} and $PM_{2.5}$ for wheel and rail wear.
- Small emission factor changes are made for TSP, PM_{10} and $PM_{2.5}$ and Cu for contact wire wear.
- A small update in for diesel in 2023 has been made in the energy statistics.
- Errors in train km activity data for electric powered trains for the years 1985-2023 have been corrected.

The following largest percentage differences (in brackets) for railways are noted for CO_2 (-5.2 %), CH_4 (-0.8 %) and N_2O (-0.8 %).

Civil aviation

For civil aviation the following changes have been made.

- Fuel consumption and emission factors for a comprehensive list of representative helicopter types (106 types) are now included in the DEMOS-Aviation model, based on Rindlisbacher (2015). The new helicopter types replace one single representative helicopter type previously used in the model.
- Emission factors of PM and BC for turboprop aircraft types are now included in the DEMOS-Aviation model, based on Rindlisbacher (2015).
- An error in the calculation method for tyre wear has been corrected, causing emission changes from 1985-2023 for this subsector.

The following largest percentage differences (in brackets) for civil aviation are noted for CO_2 (1.3 %), CH_4 (26.1 %) and N_2O (0.6 %).

Other (Military and recreational craft)

The following changes have been made.

- Updated emission factors derived from the road transport model in the case of military equipment for all years have caused small emission changes from 1985-2023.
- Emission factors for recreational craft have been updated based on IFEU (2020).

The following largest percentage differences (in brackets) for the Other sector are noted for CO_2 (0.1 %), CH_4 (15.6 %) and N_2O (51 %).

Response to the review process

The table below contains the recommendations of the most recent UNFCCC review of the Danish greenhouse gas inventory. The table details the status of implementation of the recommendations as well as references to where improvements have been implemented in this report. A review of the Danish 2024 submission took place in May 2025. At the time of preparing this report, Denmark had not yet received a draft review report. Therefore, the table below represents the latest available report.

Table 3.3.22 Response to the review process.

Para.	CRF	ERT Comment	Denmark's response	Reference
2023 submission (Review report:https://unfccc.int/sites/default/files/resource/terr1_2024_DNKa01.pdf)				
3.E.1	Energy – 1.A.3.a Domestic aviation – liquid fuels (aviation gasoline) – CH_4	The Party reported in its NID (p.257) that the CH4 EF for aviation gasoline (for piston engine aircraft) was derived from the CH4 VOC EF provided in the EMEP/EEA air pollutant emission inventory guidebook 2023 and an NMVOC/CH4 split based on the split for conventional gasoline engines used in Danish road transport. However, the TERT noted that the Party did not report transparent information on the country-specific NMVOC/CH4 split and did not provide references to enable an understanding of the method used to derive the EF or facilitate its replication by the TERT. During the review, the Party explained that the CH4 EF for aviation gasoline (for piston engine aircraft) was derived from the piston engine VOC EF for Germany (18.867 g/kg fuel) provided in table 3-10 of the EMEP/EEA air pollutant emission inventory guidebook 2023. This VOC EF was converted to units of energy using the net calorific value of aviation gasoline (43.8 MJ/kg), amounting to 430.753 g/GJ. A country-specific CH4/VOC split percentage of 2 per cent, derived from the VOC and CH4 emission results for Danish conventional gasoline cars (2020 NIR), was then applied to the resulting VOC EF by unit of energy, leading to a CH4 EF of 8.62 kg/TJ and an NMVOC EF of 422.1 g/GJ for piston engine aircraft. The TERT recommends that the Party provides transparent documentation on the CH4 EF for aviation gasoline used in domestic aviation, including descriptions, assumptions, references and sources of information used for the EF to estimate the emissions.	In the present Danish 2026 NID report the explanation of how the CH4 EF for aviation gasoline was derived is included in page 259.	Section 3.3.3

3.3.8 Category-specific planned improvements

No planned improvements are envisaged to be made.

QA/QC

Future improvements regarding this issue are dealt with in Section 3.1.4.

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3.4 Additional information, CRT sector 1A Fuel combustion

3.4.1 Reference approach, feedstocks and non-energy use of fuels

In addition to the sector specific CO_2 emission inventories (the sectoral approach - SA), the CO_2 emission from the energy sector[32] is also estimated using the reference approach (RA) described in the IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006). The reference approach is based on data for fuel production, import, export and stock change. The CO_2 emission inventory based on the reference approach is reported to the Climate Convention and used for verification of the sectoral approach.

Methodology and data input

Data for import, export and stock change used in the reference approach originate from the annual "basic data" table prepared by the Danish Energy Agency (DEA) and published on their home page (DEA, 2025a). The fraction of carbon oxidised has been assumed 1.00.

The applied carbon emission factors are equal to the emission factors also applied in the sectoral approach and thus include nationally referenced emission factors. This is in agreement with the 2006 IPCC Guidelines.

The Climate Convention reporting tables include a comparison of the sectoral approach and the reference approach estimates.

The consumption for non-energy purposes is subtracted in the reference approach, because non-energy use of fuels is included in other sectors (2D Non-energy products from fuels and solvent use) in the Danish sectoral approach. Three fuels are used for non-energy purposes: lubricants, bitumen and white spirit. The total consumption for non-energy purposes is relatively low; in 2024 the consumption was 9.4 PJ.

The CO_2 emission from oxidation of lube oil during use was 31.7 kt in 2024 and this emission is reported in the sector Non-energy products from fuels and solvent use (sector 2D). The reported emission corresponds to 20 % of the CO_2 emission from lube oil consumption, assuming full oxidation. This agrees with the methodology for lube oil emissions in the 2006 IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006). Methodology and emission data for lube oil are shown in NID Chapter 4.5.3.

The CO_2 emissions from bitumen and white spirit are indirect and the emission data for non-energy use of these fuels are included NID Chapter 10.

Reference approach results and comparison to the national approach

The sectoral approach and the reference approach have been compared and the differences between the two approaches are shown in Table 3.4.1 below.

[32] Including energy consumption in mobile sources.

Table 3.4.1 Difference between sectoral approach and reference approach.

Year	Difference Energy consumption [%]	Difference CO_2 emission [%]
1990	0.28	-0.35
1991	-0.55	-0.98
1992	-0.02	-0.66
1993	-0.40	-1.03
1994	-0.30	-0.91
1995	-0.56	-0.96
1996	-0.48	-0.78
1997	-0.03	-0.14
1998	1.50	1.32
1999	-0.58	-0.90
2000	0.27	0.04
2001	0.75	0.61
2002	0.05	-0.16
2003	0.10	-0.09
2004	0.00	-0.18
2005	-0.88	-0.93
2006	-0.69	-0.87
2007	-0.96	-1.04
2008	-0.21	-0.38
2009	-1.67	-1.78
2010	0.12	-0.23
2011	-0.99	-1.14
2012	-1.54	-1.94
2013	-0.79	-1.17
2014	-1.41	-1.70
2015	-1.49	-1.85
2016	-2.77	-3.38
2017	-0.66	-0.90
2018	-1.04	-1.23
2019	-0.59	-0.96
2020	-0.18	-0.84
2021	-0.45	-1.09
2022	-0.20	-0.89
2023	-0.16	-0.80
2024	1.77	1.30

The comparison of the sectoral approach and the reference approach is illustrated in Figure 3.4.1. In 2024, the fuel consumption rates in the two approaches differ by 1.77 % and the CO_2 emission differs by 1.30 %. Both the fuel consumption and the CO_2 emission differ by less than 2 % for all years except 2016. The high difference for CO_2 emission in 2016 is mainly related to solid and liquid fuels.

The fluctuations in Figure 3.4.1 follow the fluctuations of the statistical difference in the Danish energy statistics shown in Figure 3.4.2. The large differences in certain years, e.g. in 1998 and 2016 are due to high statistical differences in the Danish energy statistics in these years.

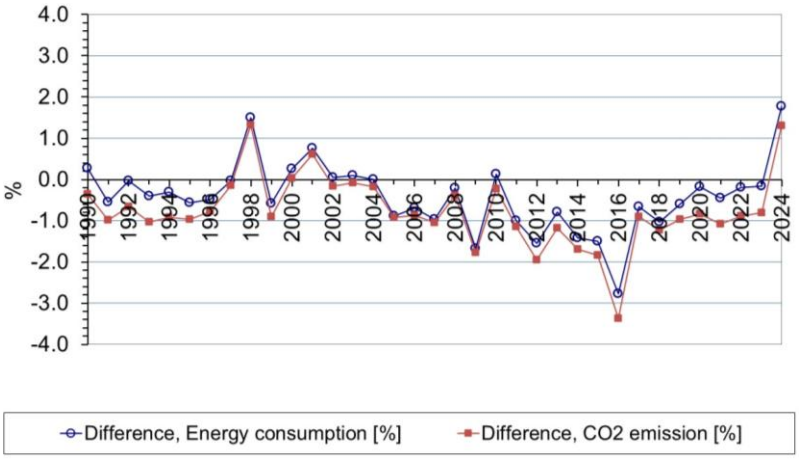


Figure 3.4.1 Comparison of the reference approach and the sectoral approach.

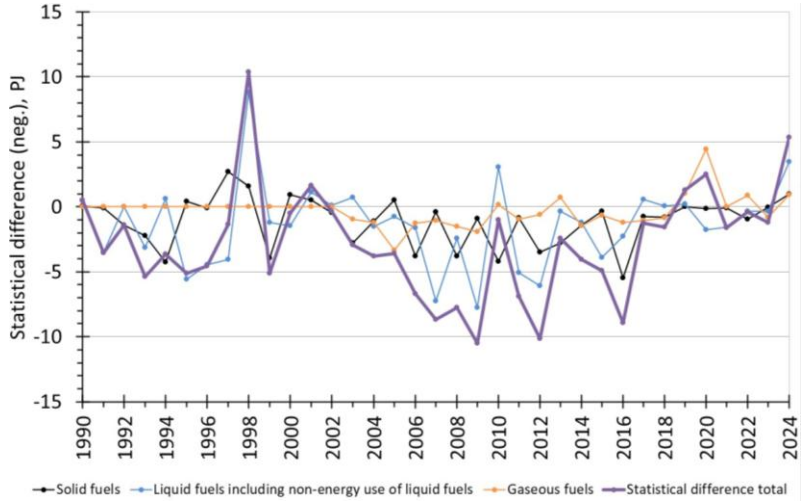


Figure 3.4.2 Statistical difference in the Danish energy statistics (DEA, 2025a).

The difference between SA and RA for CO_2-emission is above 2 % for 2016. The reason for this has been further analysed.

The large difference between RA and SA in 2016 is mainly related to differences in fuel consumption data. The fuel consumption applied in the SA was higher than in the RA for all fuel categories for 2016.

Analysis of the differences between the sectoral approach and the reference approach for each of the fuel categories

The difference between the sectoral approach and the reference approach is above 2 % for 2016. The difference for 2024 is above 1 %. The sources causing the differences for 2016 and 2024 have been analysed for each of the fossil fuel categories.

Solid fuels

The difference for solid fuels in 2016 is 6.2 % or 5.5 PJ. The statistical difference for solid fuels in the Danish energy statistics is -5.5 PJ for 2016. This difference mainly relates to coal (-5.5 PJ).

The difference for solid fuels in 2024 is -5.0 % or -0.9 PJ. The statistical difference for solid fuels in the Danish energy statistics is +1.0 PJ for 2024. This difference mainly relates to coal (+1.0 PJ).

The difference between approaches for solid fuels are a result of the statistical difference in the energy statistics. A time series for the difference of solid fuel consumption is shown in Figure 3.4.3.

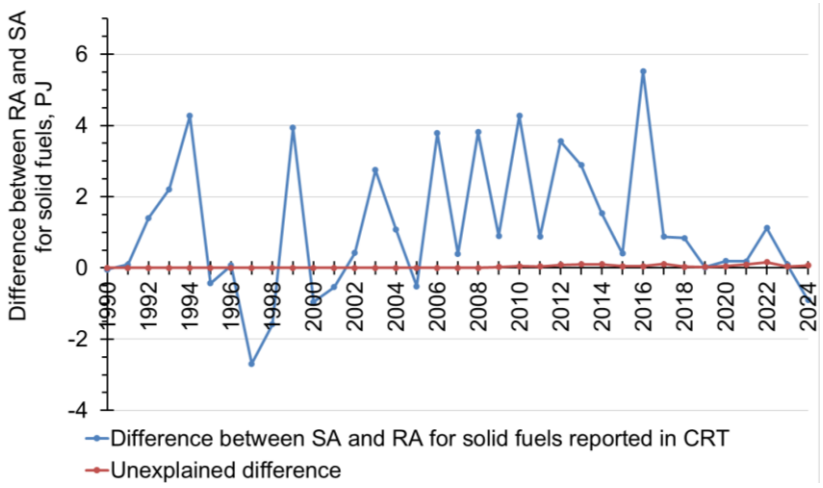


Figure 3.4.3 Difference between RA and SA for solid fuels reported in CRT and the difference not explained by statistical difference of the Danish energy statistics.

Liquid fuels

The differences for liquid fuels for the years 2016 and 2024 are +2.0 % and -1.8 % respectively, or +4.8 and -3.6 PJ. These differences have been further analysed and several sources identified.

- The statistical differences for liquid fuels in the Danish energy statistics are -2.3 PJ for 2016, and +3.5 PJ for 2024. These differences mainly relate to crude oil, motor gasoline, fuel oil, and gas-/diesel oil.
- The Danish energy statistics includes data for net input of blends. The net input was 0.2 PJ for 2016 and 0.4 PJ for 2024.
- In the Danish energy statistics, the fuel input to refineries is not equal to the fuel output added to fuel consumption. The differences were 2.7 PJ in 2016, and 0.9 PJ in 2024.
- For refinery gas, the fuel consumption applied in the SA is based on EU ETS data rather than the energy statistics (see NID Chapter 3.2.5). The fuel consumption in EU ETS for 2016 (applied in SA) is 0.7 TJ higher than the data from the energy statistics. In 2024, the difference is 0.0 PJ.

The explained differences for liquid fuels add up to 5.4 PJ for 2016 and 3.0 PJ for 2024. Thus, less than 0.7 PJ difference is not explained.

The time series for reported difference for liquid fuels between SA and RA for 1990-2024 is shown in Figure 3.4.4 below. In the figure, the estimated difference taking into account the four known sources explained above is also shown.

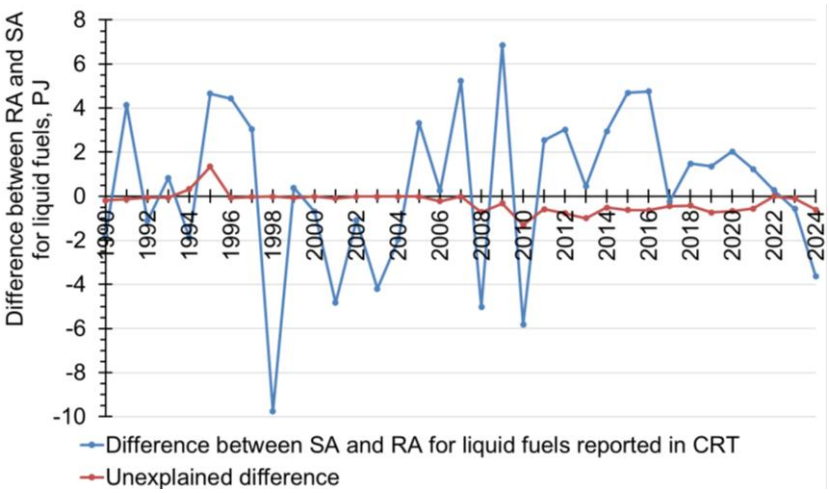


Figure 3.4.4 Difference between RA and SA for liquid fuels reported in CRT and the difference not explained by four known sources.

Gaseous fuels

The difference for gaseous fuels for 2016 is 1.7 % or 2.1 PJ. The difference for 2024 is -1.7 % or -1.0 PJ. The statistical differences for gaseous fuels in the Danish energy statistics are 1.2 PJ for 2016 and 0.9 PJ in 2024. For offshore gas turbines the fuel consumption applied in the sectoral approach is based on EU ETS data rather than the energy statistics (see NIR Chapter 3.2.5). For 2016, the consumption in EU ETS that are applied in SA was 1.0 PJ higher than the data from the energy statistics. For 2021-2024, the data from EU ETS have been implemented as part of the input data for the energy statistics and the two data sets agree. The difference between SA and RA for gaseous fuels is shown in Figure 3.4.5 below.

The remarkable difference for 2020 is related to a large statistical difference for gaseous fuels in 2020.

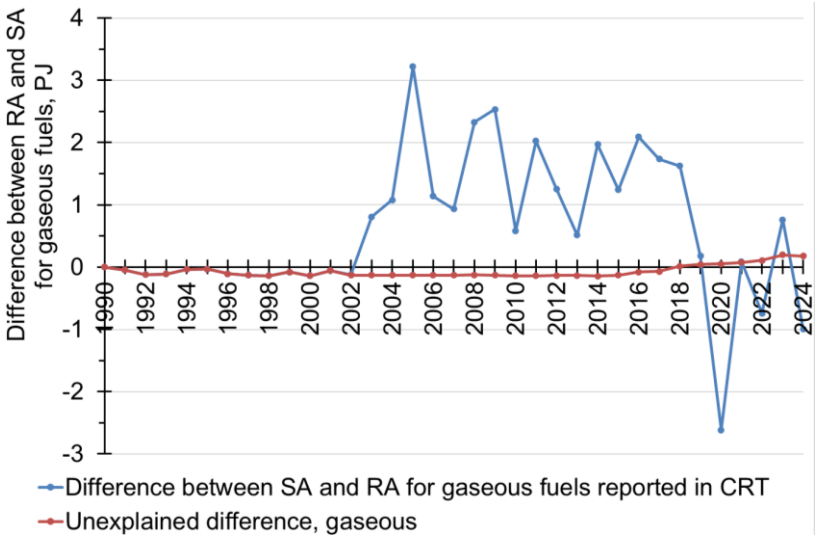


Figure 3.4.5 Difference between RA and SA for gaseous fuels reported in CRT and the difference not explained by three known sources.

Other fossil fuels

The differences for other fossil fuels (fossil waste) for 2016 is 3.8 % or 0.7 PJ and the difference for 2024 is 0.5 % or 0.1 PJ.

The statistical difference for fossil waste in the Danish energy statistics is 0.0 PJ for 2016 and 0.0 PJ for 2024. The fossil part of waste applied in the Danish cement production plant is higher than for other waste applied in Danish incineration plants. The higher fossil part of the energy content of waste applied in the cement production plant have been implemented in the SA but not in the RA. This corresponds to a 0.5 PJ difference for 2016, and a 0.1 PJ difference in 2024. In addition, the combustion of waste in individual plants implemented in the SA for 2016 added up to a higher total than included in the energy statistics. This difference corresponds to a difference of 0.2 PJ fossil waste.

The higher waste consumption based on the plant specific data than included the energy statistics is related to the applied fuel group for some specific biomass waste fractions. The recent implementation of EU ETS data as a data source for the industrial subsectors has improved transparency and the agreement between the two data sets.

A time series for the fuel consumption difference for other fossil fuels (fossil waste) is shown in Figure 3.4.6.

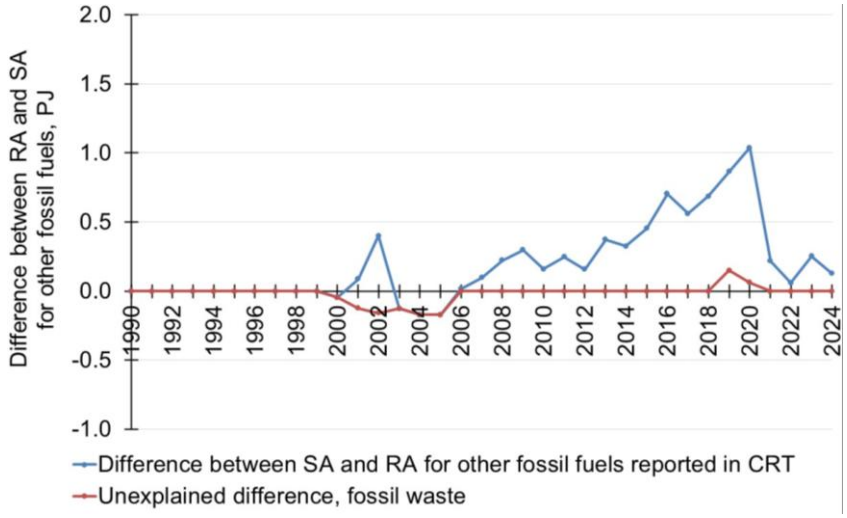


Figure 3.4.6 Difference between RA and SA for other fossil fuels reported in CRT and the difference not explained by four known sources.

Recalculations and improvements

Data for both reference approach and national approach have been updated according to the latest energy statistics.

Response to the review process

The latest UNFCCC review (UNFCCC, 2025) did not include issues related to the refence approach.

Planned improvements

The differences mentioned above are part of the ongoing dialogue with the Danish Energy Agency.

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3.5 Fugitive emissions (CRF sector 1B)

3.5.1 Overview of sector

Fugitive emissions from fuels include emissions from production, storage, refining, transport, venting and flaring of oil and natural gas. Denmark has no production of solid fuels, and accordingly greenhouse gas emissions from solid fuels are not occurring. The fugitive sector consists of the following CRF categories:

- 1B2a Oil
- 1B2b Natural gas
- 1B2c Venting and flaring

Most fugitive emission sources are of minor importance compared to the total Danish emissions. Fugitive emissions and national total emissions are given in Table 3.5.1. Note that the data presented in Chapter 3 relate to Denmark only, whereas information for Greenland is included in Chapter 11 and for the Faroe Islands in Chapter 12.

Table 3.5.1 National and fugitive emissions of CO_2, CH_4 N_2O and GHG in 2024, and the fugitive emissions share of national total emissions.

	National emission*	Fugitive emission	Fugitive/national emission
	kt CO_2 eqv.	kt CO_2 eqv.	%
CO_2	22 947	111	0.5
CH_4	8 523	100	1.2
N_2O	4 893	0.07	0.001
GHG**	36 645	211	0.6

* National total emission with LULUCF.
** Including indirect CO_2 emissions.

Table 3.5.2 list the results from the key category analysis for approach 1 and approach 2 for fugitive emission sources.

Table 3.5.2 Key categories in the fugitive emission sector.

CRF table	Pollutant	Key category identification	
		Approach 1	Approach 2
1.B.2.a.1 Exploration, oil	CO_2	-	-
1.B.2.a.2 Production, oil	CO_2	-	-
1.B.2.a.4 Refining/storage	CO_2	-	-
1.B.2.b.1 Exploration, gas	CO_2	-	-
1.B.2.b.2 Production, gas	CO_2	-	-
1.B.2.b.4 Transmission and storage, gas	CO_2	-	-
1.B.2.b.5 Distribution, gas	CO_2	-	-
1.B.2.c.1.ii Venting, gas	CO_2	-	-
1.B.2.c.2.i Flaring, oil	CO_2	-	-
1.B.2.c.2.ii Flaring, gas	CO_2	-	-
1.B.2.c.2.iii Flaring, combined	CO_2	Level (1990, 2024)	-
1.B.2.a.1 Exploration, oil	CH_4	-	-
1.B.2.a.2 Production, oil	CH_4	-	-
1.B.2.a.3 Transport, oil	CH_4	-	-
1.B.2.a.4 Refining/storage	CH_4	-	Level (1990)-
1.B.2.b.1 Exploration, gas	CH_4	-	-
1.B.2.b.2 Production, gas	CH_4	Level (1990)	Level (1990, 2024) Trend (1990-2024)
1.B.2.b.4 Transmission and storage, gas	CH_4	-	-
1.B.2.b.5 Distribution, gas	CH_4	-	-
1.B.2.c.1.ii Venting, gas	CH_4	-	-
1.B.2.c.2.i Flaring, oil	CH_4	-	-
1.B.2.c.2.ii Flaring, gas	CH_4	-	-
1.B.2.c.2.iii Flaring, combined	CH_4	-	-
1.B.2.a.1 Exploration, oil	N_2O	-	-
1.B.2.c.2.i Flaring, oil	N_2O	-	-
1.B.2.c.2.ii Flaring, gas	N_2O	-	-
1.B.2.c.2.iii Flaring, combined	N_2O	-	-

Calculations of fugitive emissions are to the highest degree possible, based on Tier 2 and Tier 3 methodologies. The methodological Tiers and the level of detail for the applied emission factors in are listed in (Table 3.5.3).

Table 3.5.3 Applied methodology for fugitive emission sources.

CRF	Source	Pollutant	Method	Emission factor*
1 B 2 a i	Exploration of oil	CO_2	Tier 3	PS
		CH_4	Tier 3	CS
		N_2O	Tier 3	D2
1 B 2 a iii	Transport	CH_4	Tier 2	PS, CS, D2
1 B 2 a iv	Refining/storage	CO_2	Tier 3	CS(1990-2005), PS(2006 onwards)
		CH_4	Tier 3	PS, CS
1 B 2 a vi	Abandoned wells	CH_4	Tier1	D2
1 B 2 b i	Exploration of gas	CO_2	Tier 3	PS
		CH_4	Tier 3	CS
		N_2O	Tier 3	D2
1 B 2 b ii	Production of gas, Offshore activities	CO_2	Tier 2	CS
		CH_4	Tier 2	CS
1 B 2 b iv	Transmissions and storage	CO_2	Tier 2	CS
		CH_4	Tier 2	CS
1 B 2 b v	Distribution	CO_2	Tier 2	CS
		CH_4	Tier 2	CS
1 B 2 b vi i	Post-meter	CO_2	Tier1, Tier 2	CS, D2
		CH_4	Tier1, Tier 2	CS, D2
1 B 2 c 1 ii	Venting in gas storage	CO_2	Tier 3	CS(1990-1994), PS(1995 onwards)
		CH_4	Tier 3	CS(1990-1994), PS(1995 onwards)
1 B 2 c 2 i	Flaring in oil refinery	CO_2	Tier 3	CS(1990-2006), PS(2007 onwards)
		CH_4	Tier 3	CS
		N_2O	Tier 3	OTH (Olf, 1993)
1 B 2 c 2 ii	Flaring in gas storage, transmission and distribution	CO_2	Tier 3	CS(1990-2006), PS(2007 onwards)
		CH_4	Tier 3	CS
		N_2O	Tier 3	D1
1 B 2 c 2 iii	Flaring in oil and gas extraction	CO_2	Tier 3	CS(1990-2007), PS(2008 onwards)
		CH_4	Tier 3	CS
		N_2O	Tier 3	D1

* PS: plant specific. CS: country specific, D: default (D1: IPCC, 2006; D2: IPCC, 2019), OTH: other.

3.5.1 1.B. Fugitive emissions from fuels

3.5.2.1 Category description

According to the IPCC sector definitions the category *fugitive emissions from fuels* is a sub-category under the main-category Energy (Sector 1). The category *fugitive emissions from fuels* (Sector 1B) is segmented into sub-categories covering emissions from solid fuels *(coal mining and handling (1B1a), solid fuel transformation (1B1b) and other (1B1c))*, oil *(oil (1B2a)*, natural gas *(1B2b)*, venting and flaring *(1B2c)* and other *(1B2d)*. The sub-categories relevant for the Danish emission inventory are shortly described below according to Danish conditions:

- 1B1a: Fugitive emission from solid fuels: Coal mining and solid fuel transformation are not occurring in Denmark. Accordingly, greenhouse gas emissions from solid fuels are not occurring in Denmark.
- 1B2a: Fugitive emissions from oil include emissions from exploration, production, storage, and transmission of crude oil, distribution of oil products and fugitive emissions from refining and from abandoned oil/gas wells.
- 1B2b: Fugitive emissions from natural gas include emissions from exploration, production, transmission of natural gas, distribution of natural gas and town gas, and post-meter emissions. Fuel consumption in the Danish gas treatment plant used for gas heating and drying is included under category 1A1cii (Oil and gas extraction). All pipeline compressors on the natural gas grid are electric compressors. Hence fuel consumption and emissions are not occurring (NO) in the sector 1A3e i Pipeline transport. The fuel consumption in the Danish gas treatment plant is included in sector 1A1cii Oil and gas extraction.
- 1B2c: Venting and flaring include activities onshore and offshore. Flaring occurs both offshore in upstream oil and gas production, and onshore in

gas treatment and storage facilities, in refineries and in natural gas transmission and distribution. Venting occurs in gas treatment and storage facilities. Venting of gas is assumed negligible in oil and gas production and in refineries, as controlled venting enters the gas flare system.

Table 3.5.4 summarizes the Danish fugitive greenhouse gas emissions in 2024. Information on other pollutants are included in the Informative Inventory Reports (IIR) reported annually to UNECE CLRTAP (Nielsen et al., 2026).

Table 3.5.4 Summary of the Danish fugitive emissions 2024. P refers to point source and A to area source.

IPCC code	Source	Type*	Pollutant	Emission	Unit	Share of total fugitive
1B2a1	Exploration of oil	A	004	0	t	0%
1B2a1	Exploration of oil	A	006	0	kt	0%
1B2a1	Exploration of oil	A	007	0	t	0%
1B2a3	Offshore loading of oil	A	004	14,568	t	0,41%
1B2a3	Onshore loading of oil	A	004	2,400	t	0,07%
1B2a4	Storage of crude oil	A	004	149,685	t	4,17%
1B2a4	Storage of crude oil	A	006	0,001	kt	<0.01%
1B2a4	Petroleum products processing	P	004	250,000	t	6,97%
1B2a4	Other	P	006	0,107	kt	0,10%
1B2a6	Abandoned wells	A	004	0,001	t	<0.01%
1B2b1	Exploration of gas	A	004	0	t	0%
1B2b1	Exploration of gas	A	006	0	kt	0%
1B2b1	Exploration of gas	A	007	0	t	0%
1B2b2	Production of gas	A	004	1752,422	t	48,86%
1B2b2	Production of gas	A	006	0,039	kt	0,04%
1B2b4	Natural gas transmission	A	004	159,352	t	4,44%
1B2b4	Natural gas transmission	A	006	0,010	kt	<0.01%
1B2b5	Natural gas distribution	A	004	553,238	t	15,43%
1B2b5	Town gas distribution	A	004	27,014	t	0,75%
1B2b5	Natural gas distribution	A	006	0,033	kt	0,03%
1B2b5	Town gas distribution	A	006	0,002	kt	<0.01%
1B2b6	Post-meter - commercial and residential	A	004	71,472	t	1,99%
1B2b6	Post-meter - industrial and power plants	A	004	2,745	t	0,08%
1B2b6	Post-meter - natural gas fired vehicles	A	004	0,203	t	<0.01%
1B2b6	Post-meter - commercial and residential	A	006	<0.001	kt	<0.01%
1B2b6	Post-meter - industrial and power plants	A	006	<0.001	kt	<0.01%
1B2b6	Post-meter - natural gas fired vehicles	A	006	<0.001	kt	<0.01%
1B2c1ii	Venting in gas storage	P	004	242,092	t	6,75%
1B2c1ii	Venting in gas storage	P	006	0,015	kt	0,01%
1B2c2i	Flaring in oil refinery	P	004	5,142	t	0,14%
1B2c2i	Flaring in oil refinery	P	006	16,077	kt	14,53%
1B2c2i	Flaring in oil refinery	P	007	0,134	t	49,85%
1B2c2ii	Flaring in gas transmission and distribution	A	004	0,166	t	<0.01%
1B2c2ii	Flaring in gas transmission and distribution	A	006	0,037	kt	0,03%
1B2c2ii	Flaring in gas transmission and distribution	A	007	<0.001	t	0,02%
1B2c2ii	Flaring in gas storage	P	004	5,055	t	0,14%
1B2c2ii	Flaring in gas storage	P	006	1,136	kt	1,03%
1B2c2ii	Flaring in gas storage	P	007	0,002	t	0,60%
1B2c2iii	Flaring in gas and oil extraction	A	004	350,786	t	9,78%
1B2c2iii	Flaring in gas and oil extraction	A	006	93,178	kt	84,22%
1B2c2iii	Flaring in gas and oil extraction	A	007	0,133	t	49,53%

* A: area source, P: point source.
** Regeneration of catalysts.

3.5.2.2 Methodological issues

Use of EU ETS data

Reporting to the European Union Emission Trading Scheme (EU ETS) are available in the annual EU ETS reports for refineries, upstream oil and gas extraction facilities and the natural gas treatment plant, concerning fugitive emissions. EU ETS data are only included in the national emission inventory if higher tier methodologies are applied, which is the case for the EU ETS reports regarding fugitive emission sources. The EU ETS data used are fully in line with the requirements in the IPCC Guidelines and are considered the best data source on CO_2 emission factors due to the legal obligation for the relevant companies to make the accounting following the specified EU decisions. The EU ETS data are thereby a source of consistent data with low uncertainties. For further information on EU ETS, please refer to the section "*Use of EU Emission Trading Scheme data*" in Chapter 1. Unfortunately, corresponding data do not exist before the commencement of EU ETS in 2006 and therefore it is not possible to set up time series based on EU ETS. In these cases, appropriate methods from the IPCC Guidelines have been selected to ensure time series consistency. This is described in the specific sections.

EU ETS reports for refineries

Activity data are measured with flow meters and rates are reported with high accuracy using the Tier 4 methodology (uncertainty ±1.5 %) for large sources and Tier 3 (uncertainty ±2.5 %) or Tier 2 (uncertainty ±5 %) for small sources. The oxidation factor is set to 1, corresponding the Tier 1 methodology. CO_2 emission factors are calculated according to the relevant Tier given in the EU Commission Implementing Regulation of 19 December 2018 (EU Commission, 2018). The Tier 2b methodology based on yearly density and calorific values is applied, while the activity specific Tier 3 methodology is applied for diesel. CO_2 emissions factors for flaring are calculated using the Tier 3 methodology based on the measured carbon contents.

EU ETS reports for offshore installations

Activity data are measured with flow meters and rates are reported with high accuracy. For combustion, the Tier 4 methodology (uncertainty ±1.5 %) is used for large sources and Tier 3 (uncertainty ±2.5 %) or Tier 2 (uncertainty ±5 %) for small sources. For flaring, mainly the Tier 3 or the Tier 2 methodology is used (uncertainty ±7.5 % or ±12.5 %) is used. The oxidation factor is set to 1, corresponding the Tier 1 methodology. CO_2 emission factors are calculated according to the relevant Tier given in the EU Commission Implementing Regulation of 19 December 2018 (EU Commission, 2018). For combustion of fuel gas, the Tier 3 methodology, which is activity specific, is applied, while the country specific Tier 3 methodology is applied for diesel. CO_2 emissions factors for flaring are calculated using the Tier 2b methodology.

Activity data, emission factors and emissions for fugitive sources

The following paragraphs describe the methodology for emission calculation for fugitive sources, including activity data, emission factors and annual emissions. The order follows the IPCC structure (1B2a Oil, 1B2b Natural gas, 1B2c Venting and flaring), with the exceptions that exploration of gas is included in the paragraph for exploration of oil, and that production of oil is included in the paragraph for production of gas, due to similar methodologies and data providers.

3.5.2.3 Fugitive emissions from oil (1B2a)

The emissions from oil derive from exploration, production, abandoned wells, onshore and offshore loading of ships, onshore oil tanks, service stations and refineries. Exploration of both oil and gas are described in this paragraph. Production of oil are described in the paragraph covering production of gas, as the emissions are reported as included elsewhere (notation key IE) and are included in category 1B2b2.

Oil and natural gas production take place offshore in the Danish part of the North Sea. Most of the oil and gas produced at the North Sea are brought ashore by pipeline; gas is led to the Nybro gas terminal and oil is led to the terminal in Fredericia (Figure 3.5.1). Oil is brought ashore by ship from the Siri platform.

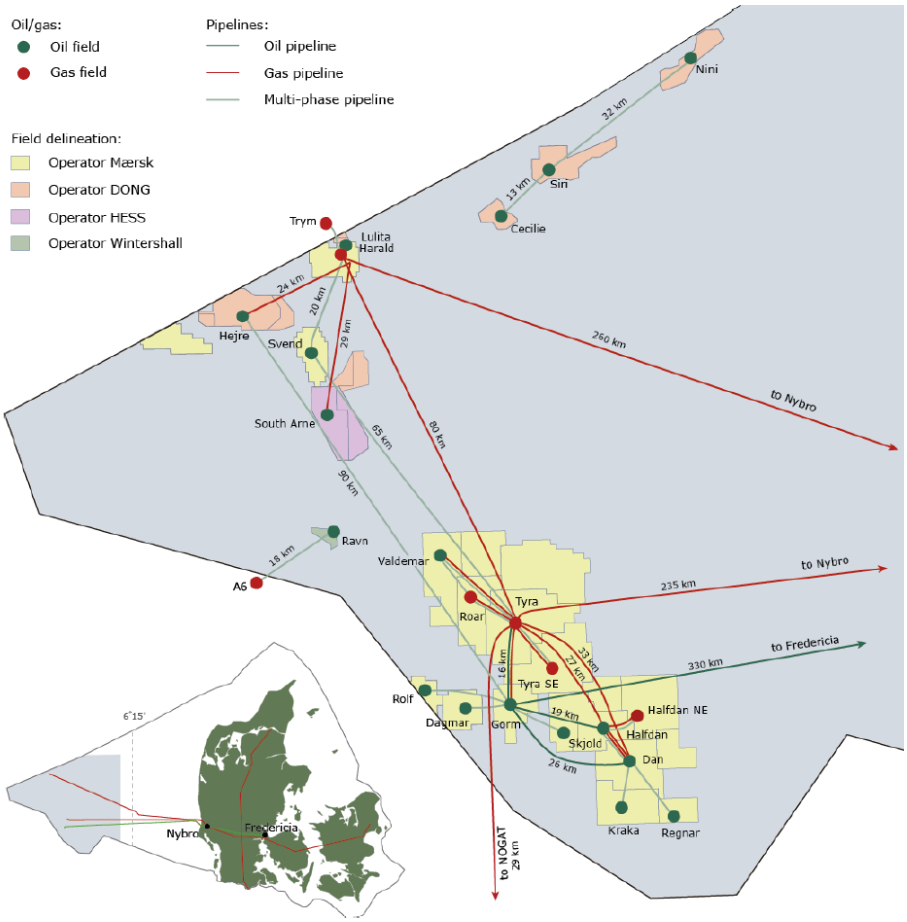


Figure 3.5.1 production facilities in the North Sea (Danish Energy Agency, 2015).

Exploration (1B2a1, 1B2b1)

Activity data

Activity data for oil and gas exploration are provided annually by the Danish Energy Agency (Erichsen, 2024). Data for exploration of oil and gas are given separately for each exploration drilling and fluctuate significantly over the time series. The largest oil rates are seen for 1990, 2002 and 2005, while relatively large gas rates are seen for more years of the time series. The last exploration activity with production of oil and/or gas was in 2015. Explored rates are shown in Figure 3.5.2.

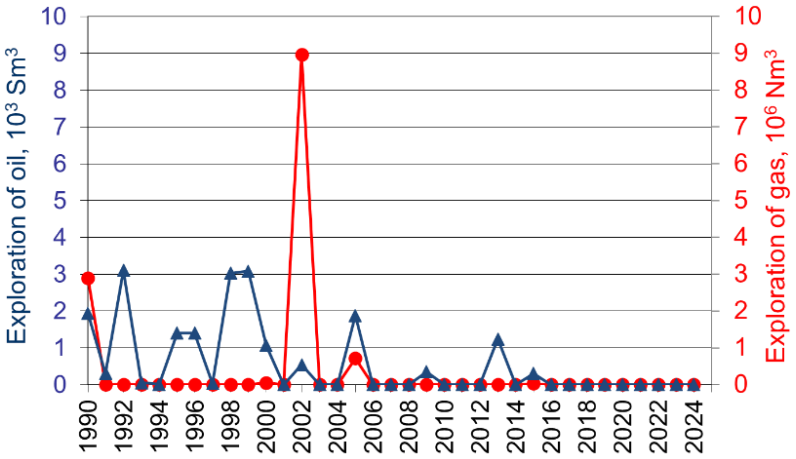


Figure 3.5.2 Exploration of oil and gas.

Emission factors

Annual CO_2 emission factors are based on composition data, calorific values and densities for explored oil and gas provided by the Danish Energy Agency. Composition data are available for the exploration and appraisal wells (E/A wells) separately, except for a few E/A wells, for which the compositions for the previous E/A well are used for emission calculation. As calorific values and densities are not available per drilling, data from a gas test in 1992 are used. CO_2 emission factors are listed in Table 3.5.5. The emission factors used to calculate emissions from offshore flaring in upstream oil and gas production are applied for the remaining pollutants (refer to the Section *Fugitive emissions from venting and flaring (1B2c)* below).

Table 3.5.5 Annual CO_2 emission factors for years with exploration of oil and gas.

	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
EF(CO_2), exploration of oil, kg/Sm3	2433	2437	2441	2441	2437	2449	2449	2449
EF(CO_2), exploration of gas, kg/Nm3	2.85	2.81	2.84	2.93	2.81	2.94	2.94	2.94

continued	1998	1999	2000	2002	2005	2009	2013	2015
EF(CO_2), exploration of oil, kg/Sm3	2445	2449	2449	2442	2444	2449	2449	2449
EF(CO_2), exploration of gas, kg/Nm3	2.93	2.94	2.94	2.92	2.89	2.82	2.82	2.82

Emissions

Calculated CH_4 emissions for exploration of oil and gas are shown in Figure 3.5.3. There is no correlation between emissions from oil and gas, as the individual exploration drillings have different ratios between oil and gas rates.

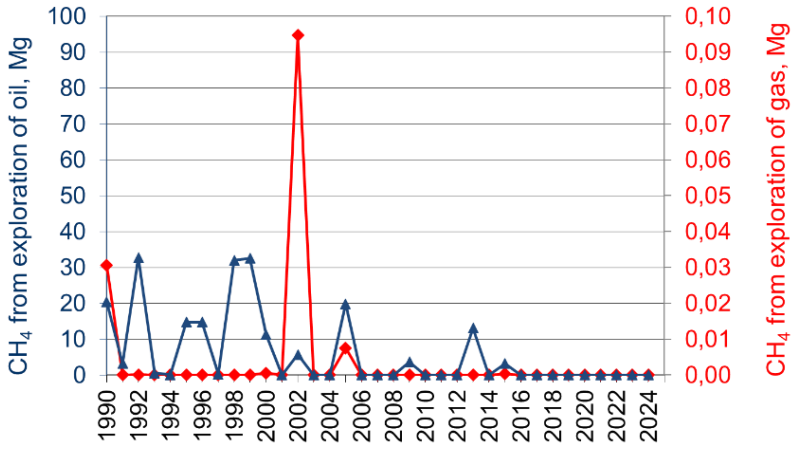


Figure 3.5.3 CH_4 emissions from exploration of oil and gas.

Production (1B2a2)
See Section *Production (1B2b1, 1B2a1)*.

Transport (1B2a3)
Activity data
Fugitive emissions of oil transport include loading of ships from storage tanks or directly from the wells. Activity data for loading offshore and onshore are provided by the Danish Energy Agency (DEA, 2025a) and from the annual self-regulating reports and supplementing data from Danish Oil Pipe A/S (Boesen, 2025), respectively.

The rates of oil loaded on ships roughly follow the trend of the oil production (Figure 3.5.4). Offshore loading of ships was introduced in 1999. In earlier years, the produced oil was transported to land via pipeline.

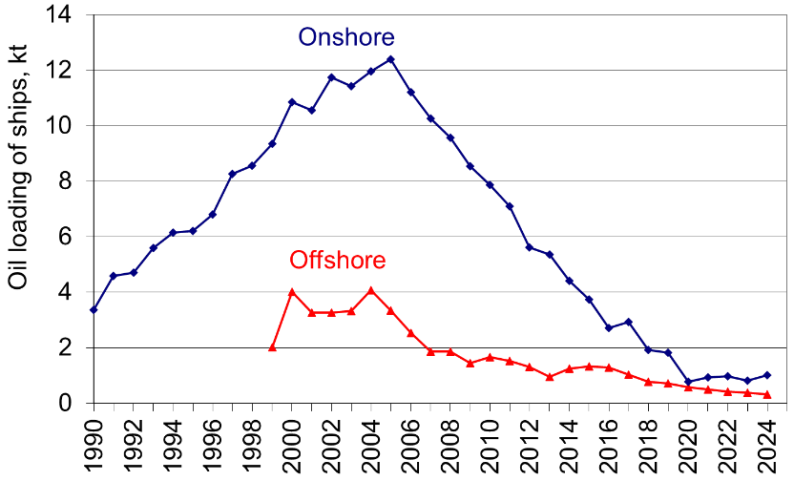


Figure 3.5.4 Onshore and offshore loading of ships.

Emission factors
Emissions from storage tanks at the Oil terminal are provided annually by Danish Oil Pipe A/S. During 2009 new emission reducing technologies (degassing unit) were installed at the crude oil terminal, leading to a significant decrease of the emissions as shown in Figure 3.5.5.

Emissions from offshore loading are based on the default emission factors for offshore loading of ships from the 2019 IPCC Refinement (IPCC, 2019). A 50/50 split between loading with/without VRU is assumed in the emission calculations, with a change to 100 % VRU from 2021 according to the operator.

Emission factors for onshore loading is based on annual reports from the Harbour Terminal for the years 2012 onwards; A/S Dansk Shell 2013-2021 and Crossbridge 2022-2024 (Crossbridge – Havneterminalen, 2025), which include loaded amounts, standard NMVOC emission factors and emissions of NMVOC (2013-2017) or VOC (2019-2020). Estimation of CH_4 emission factors assumes that NMVOC make up 80 % of VOC in accordance with the annual reports for the harbour terminal.

The emission factor for 2012 is applied for the earlier years in the time series. The emission factors show a significant decrease from 2016 due to installation of a new vapour recovery unit (VRU2) during 2017. No emissions were reported for 2018 but have been estimated according to the environmental approval for VRU2 (Danish EPA, 2017) which include a requirement of 85 %

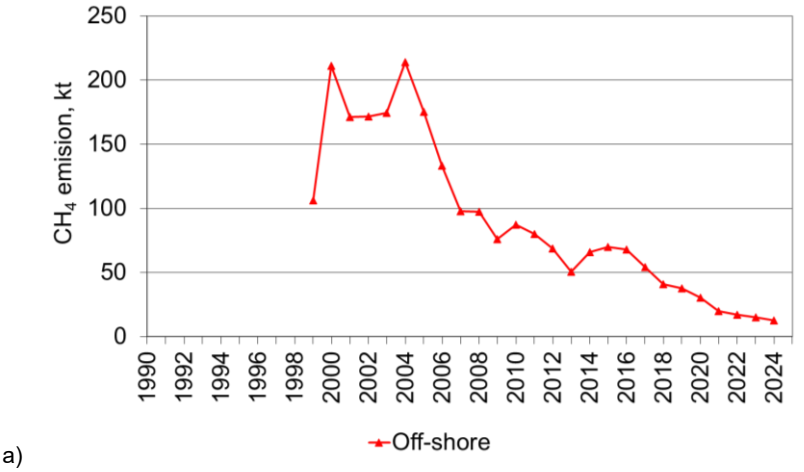
emission reduction of the VRU2. Emission factors for loading of ships offshore and onshore are listed in Table 3.5.6.

Table 3.5.6 Emission factors for the oil terminal and for onshore and offshore loading of ships.

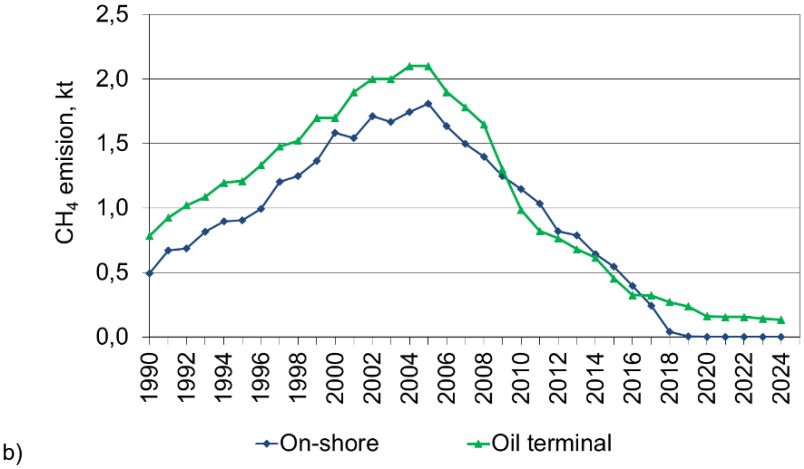
Source	Pollutant	Unit	Emission factor
Oil terminal	CO_2	kg/Mg crude oil	0.001
Offshore loading of ships (before 2021 / 2021 forward)	CH_4	Mg/1000 m3 oil loaded	0.0525 / 0.04
Ships onshore, -2012	CH_4	g/ton	146
Ships onshore, 2013	CH_4	g/ton	147
Ships onshore, 2014-2016	CH_4	g/ton	146
Ships onshore, 2017	CH_4	g/ton	84
Ships onshore, 2018	CH_4	g/ton	22
Ships onshore, 2019	CH_4	g/ton	1.8
Ships onshore, 2020	CH_4	g/ton	2.1
Ships onshore, 2021	CH_4	g/ton	2.6
Ships onshore, 2022	CH_4	g/ton	2.4
Ships onshore, 2023	CH_4	g/ton	2.1
Ships onshore, 2024	CH_4	g/ton	2.4

Emissions

CH_4 emissions from transport of oil are shown in Figure 3.5.5.



a)



b)

Figure 3.5.5 a) CH_4 emissions from storage at the raw oil terminal and from onshore and offshore loading of ships. b) Emissions from offshore loading are excluded from figure b.

Refining/storage (1B2a4)

Activity data

Refining/storage include emissions from storage and handling at the oil terminal and emissions from oil refinery processes, including non-combustion emissions from handling and storage of feedstock (raw oil), from the petroleum product processing, from handling and storage of products, and from regeneration of catalysts. Emissions from flaring in refineries are included in the Section *Fugitive emissions from venting and flaring (1B2c)*. Emissions related to process furnaces in refineries are included in stationary combustion.

Annual emissions from storage and handling at the oil terminal is provided in the annual self-regulating reports and supplementing data from Danish Oil Pipe A/S (Boesen, 2025).

Rates of crude oil processed in the two Danish refineries are given in their annual environmental report (Crossbridge, 2025 and Kalundborg Refinery, 2025). Until 1996 a third refinery was in operation, leading to a decrease in the crude oil rate from 1996 to 1997. Activity data are shown in Figure 3.5.6.

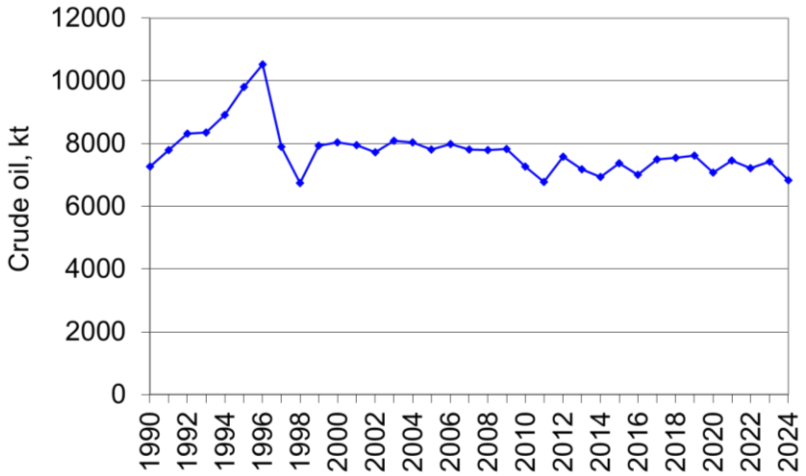


Figure 3.5.6 Crude oil processed in Danish refineries.

Emission factors

The standard CO_2 emission factor for oil transport from the 2019 IPCC Refinement (IPCC, 2019) is used to calculate emissions from storage and handling at the oil terminal (Table 3.5.6).

VOC emissions are provided by the refineries. Only one of the two refineries has made a split between NMVOC and CH_4. For the other refinery, it is assumed that 10 % of the VOC emission is CH_4 (Hjerrild & Rasmussen, 2014).

Both the non-combustion processes including product processing and sulphur recovery plants emit SO_2. For descriptions regarding fugitive emissions of SO_2 and other pollutants from refining, please refer to the Danish Informative Inventory Report (Nielsen et al., 2026).

Emissions

CH_4 emissions from storage at the crude oil terminal is shown in Figure 3.5.5.

Annual plant specific CO_2 emissions from regeneration of catalysts are available in the EU ETS reporting from 2006 onwards. For years prior to 2006, the CO_2 emissions from regeneration of catalysts are based on 1) emissions given

in the annual environmental reports, 2) the average emission factor for years with both activity data and emission in the EU ETS reporting (2.515 t CO_2 / t coke) for years with activity data, or 3) the average emission for the first five years with data.

Figure 3.5.7 shows CH_4 emissions from the Danish refineries for selected years in the time series. The increase from 2005 to 2006 owes implementation of results from a DIAL measurement campaign at one refinery, which showed larger emissions than previous. According to the environmental department at that refinery, fugitive emissions from oil processing in refineries are not correlated to any measured parameters but are expected to follow a more random pattern. In 2022 the same refinery implemented a new estimation method, which substituted the previous approach, where the latest measured emission was reported for the years between measurement campaigns, and as no better methodology was available.

The new methodology is based on quantification of older measurements based on a study for a Norwegian refinery. This study (ADD Novatech, 2017) compares DIAL measurements with different calculation methods (OGI, AP-42 and EPA). The new estimates indicated that the DIAL measurement was too high (~90% for CH_4 and ~75% for nmVOC), and the study concluded that the DIAL emissions were not applicable and that the new estimation method should be used. The Danish refinery is comparable to the on in the study, though the Danish refinery is smaller. The new methodology is used in the national emission inventories. Calculations are available for 2022 and 2023, and according to the refinery it is not possible to make similar estimates for earlier years due to lack of information. Accordingly, a linear interpolation has been made from 2006 to 2022.

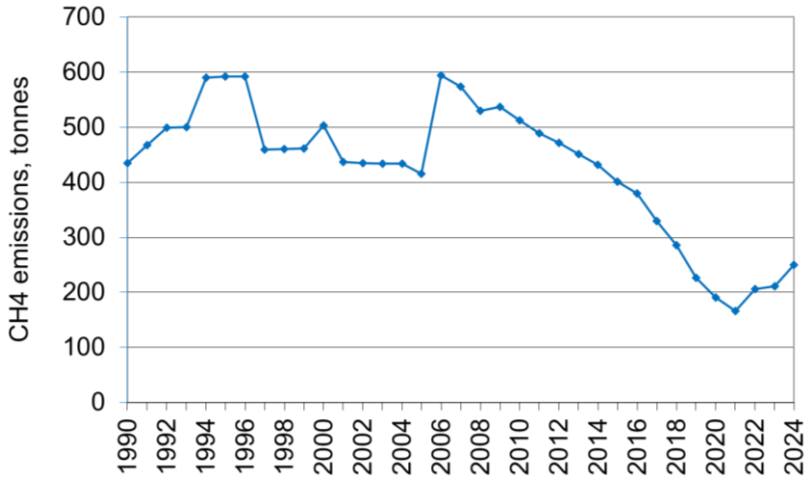


Figure 3.5.7 CH_4 emissions from crude oil processing in Danish refineries.

Service stations (1B2a5)

Fugitive emissions from service stations cover only NMVOC. For a description on methodology and data basis, please refer to the Danish Informative Inventory Report (Nielsen et al., 2026).

Abandoned wells (1B2a6)

Activity data

The Danish Environmental Agency provide information about the number of abandoned wells and time for abandonment. The abandoned wells are categorised into onshore and offshore wells and further into the status categories

"abandoned" and "plugged and abandoned". The numbers of abandoned wells are shown in Figure 3.5.8

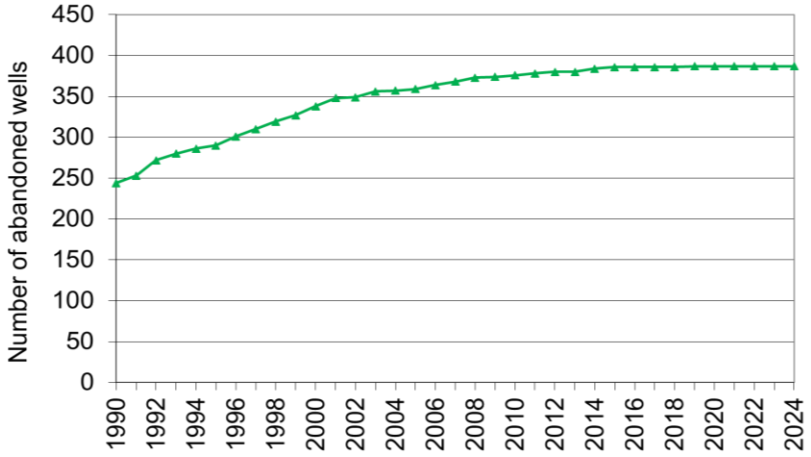


Figure 3.5.8 Number of abandoned wells.

Emission factors

The standard emission factors for abandoned oil wells from the 2019 IPCC Refinement (IPCC, 2019) is used to calculate emissions from all abandoned wells in accordance with the Guidebook, which states that available information on abandoned oil and gas wells do not indicate a clear distinction between abandoned oil and abandoned gas wells regarding practices or emission factor (Table 3.5.7).

Table 3.5.7 Default 2019 IPCC Refinement emission factors for abandoned wells

		CH_4	CO_2	NMVOC	N_2O	unit
Onshore	Plugged	2.00E-05	NA	NA	NA	t/abandoned well
	Unplugged	8.80E-02	NA	NA	NA	t/abandoned well
Offshore	Plugged	3.50E-07	NA	NA	NA	t/abandoned well
	Unplugged	1.80E-03	NA	NA	NA	t/abandoned well

Emissions

Emissions from abandoned wells are minor source in the Danish emission inventory, making up less than 1 t CH_4 per year. Emissions from abandoned wells are assumed to be continuous, and following the emissions will increase during the time series.

3.5.2.4 Fugitive emissions from natural gas (1B2b)

The emissions from natural gas derive from exploration, production, transmission, storage, distribution and post-meter leakage. Description of exploration of natural gas is included in the section covering exploration oil *Exploration (1B2a1, 1B2b1)*.

Exploration (1B2b1)

See Section *Exploration (1B2a1, 1B2b1)*.

Production (1B2b2)

Emissions from oil and gas production is calculated using a Tier 2 methodology based on country specific emission factors. The country specific emission factors are described below in the section "Emission factors".

Activity data

Activity data used for oil and gas production are provided by the Danish Energy Agency (DEA 2025a). As seen in Figure 3.5.9 the production of oil and gas in the North Sea has generally increased in the years 1990-2004, and since 2004 the production has decreased. Five major platforms were completed in 1997-1999, which is the main reason for the great increase in the oil production in the years 1998-2000.

The Tyra platforms are closed in the period between September 2019 and March 2024 due to redevelopment. The recommissioning started ultimo March was expected to last around 4 months, where the capacity slowly increased from 0 to full capacity. The commissioning and ramp-up of Tyra II production was impacted by weather conditions and minor operational occurrences and is now expected to be completed in February 2025. The Tyra platforms have for 30 years been processing most of the Danish natural gas production, and the redevelopment ensures continued production from Denmark's largest producing gas field.

The gas produced in the North Sea and transported by pipeline to the treatment gas plant Nybro is dry and with low H_2S content. Following, the gas does not need any processing, which causes fugitive emissions, before going into the transmission network. The environmental approval from 2009 for Nybro states that gas processing equipment are in place, but as some parts have never been used, is has been mothballed or phased out. As follow up to the 2022 UNFCCC review, it has been verified by the senior operations supporter at Nybro that these conditions are still applicable and therefore emissions from gas processing are reported as not applicable (NA) for the entire time series.

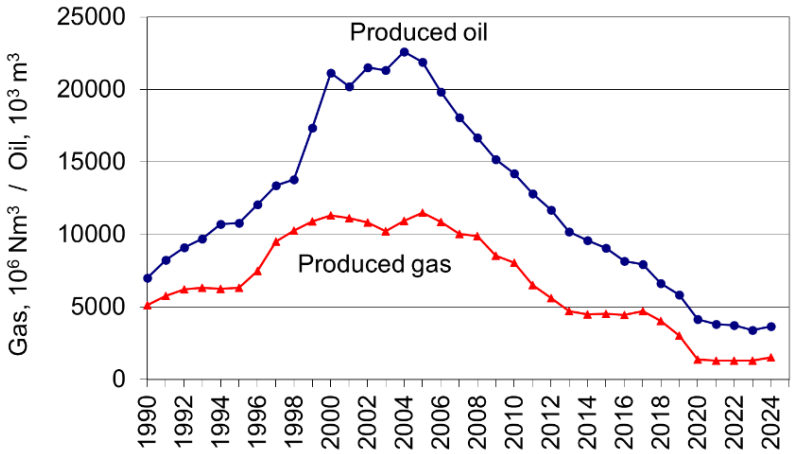


Figure 3.5.9 Production of oil and gas.

Emission factors

A Tier 2 methodology is applied, using country specific emission factors. Development of the country specific emission factors has been made in close corporation with the industry association for the Danish offshore sector (Danish Offshore) and the Danish operators TotalEnergies and INEOS Energy. The operators are providing data and information about emissions and related issues for the offshore production facilities. Both Danish operators have made drone measurements, some carried out by the independent company Explicit ApS, who have also contributed to the improvement work providing information about the measurements, including details about the state-of-the-art

ISO/IEC 17025 accredited drone-flux method (DFM) developed by Explicit. There has not been drone measurement campaigns in 2024.

The country specific emission factors are based on company emission inventories for the larger operator, information from the operators' LDAR programmes, results from drone measurements, and supporting information regarding national circumstances in the offshore oil and gas production industry.

Annual emission inventories for the years 2019 to 2024 have been provided by the larger operator, including emission estimates on installation level based on the methodology in the company's guidelines. Installation specific activity data and gas composition information, and company specific emission factors are used for calculation. The emission factors, which are developed by the company's international headquarters based on experience in measurements and operating practices within the company, apply to all the company's oil and gas production operations worldwide, and are subject to annual data reporting audits by third parties. The inventory includes emission from unburnt gas for the unlit flares (cold vents), process vents (glycol units), oily water treatment, centrifugal compressors, and reciprocating compressors.

The operators provided information about leak detection and repair (LDAR). The operators are much aware of leaks due to the safety of the personnel and the environmental and safety regulations for offshore facilities. There are gas detectors all over the process offshore, which will react in case of a leak. Following, the gas leak amounts are small. Detected leaks are registered including type of leak, estimates of the leaked amounts, action required, and how the leak is or will be rectified.

In 2022, drone measurements have been carried out and the results have been provided by the operators for seven fields. The first drone measurements used the AUSEA technology. The newest measurements were using the DFM (Drone Flux Measurement) technique. The DFM method is distinguished by simultaneous measurements of wind using 3D ultrasonic anemometers, which significantly increase the identification of emission sources. The DFM method allows for a split of the emissions on source level, e.g. flare, platform structure and wellhead platform.

The fugitive emissions based on the DFM results are significantly lower than estimates in the operator emission inventories. For one of the fields the DFM measurements find site emissions around 2 kg/h while the corresponding estimate based on the company reporting guidelines is around 28 kg/h. This might be because emission factors in the company reporting guidelines mainly are based on conditions for American facilities and partly for onshore facilities, which might be subject to less strict regulation than Danish offshore facilities, e.g. due to the higher safety risk offshore.

Data from the operator do not split emissions between oil and gas production, respectively, as all the Danish facilities produce both oil and gas and following equipment leaks are related to both oil and gas production.

Annual production data of oil and natural gas, respectively and data from the operator's inventories, LDAR programmes and drone measurements include emissions on field level. This allows for setting up a time series for the country

specific emission factors, considering the distribution of the production between the fields. Thereby differences in the emission level between the fields are reflected.

The country specific tier 2 emission factors (Table 3.5.8) are expressed as emission per gas production, which is in accordance with API (2021), who suggest using emission factors for gas production for facilities that produce both oil and gas.

Table 3.5.8 Country specific (CS) emission factors for 2024.

	CH_4	CO_2	N_2O	unit
Oil production offshore*	IE	IE	NA	
Gas production offshore	1.15 E-03	2.58E-05	NA	$Gg/10^6$ m^3 gas produced

* Emissions from oil production are included in the country specific emission factors for gas production.

Emissions

Calculated CH_4 emissions from oil and gas production are shown in Figure 3.5.11. The annual variations follow the production rates combined with the distribution of the production on the individual fields.

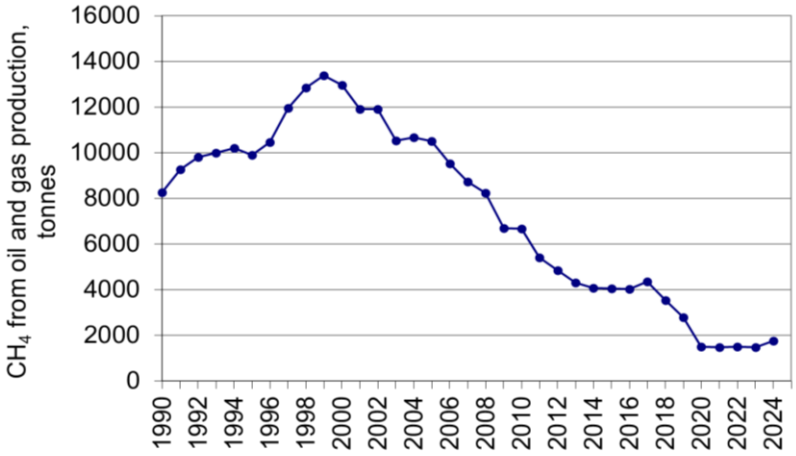


Figure 3.5.11 CH_4 emissions from production of oil and natural gas.

Transmission and storage (1B2b4)

Activity data

The fugitive emissions from transmission and storage of natural gas are based on information from the gas transmission companies, which provide data on transported rate, pipeline losses, and length and material of the pipeline systems. The length of the transmission pipelines is approximately 900 km. All pipeline compressors on the natural gas grid are electric compressors. Hence fuel consumption and emissions are not occurring (NO) in the sector 1A3e i Pipeline transport. The fuel consumption in the Danish gas treatment plant is included in sector 1A1cii Oil and gas extraction.

The activity data used in the calculation of the emissions from transmission of natural gas are shown in Figure 3.5.12. Transmission rates for 1990-1998 refer to annual environmental reports of DONG Energy. In 1999-2006, transmission rates refer to the Danish Gas Technology Centre (Karll 2002, Karll 2003, Karll 2004, Karll 2005, Oertenblad 2006, Oertenblad 2007). From 2008 onwards, transmission rates refer to Energinet.dk (2024b). Transmission losses for 1991-1999 are based on annual environmental report of DONG Energy. The average for 1991-1995 is applied for 1990. From 2005 onwards, transmission losses

are given by Energinet.dk. The average for 2005-2010 is applied for the years 2000-2004.

The variation over the time series owes mainly to variations in the winter temperature and to the variation of import/export of electricity from Norway and Sweden. The transmission rate is less than the production rate, as part of the produced natural gas is exported through the NOGAT pipeline system. The increase in 2023 is due to commissioning of the new gas pipeline, Baltic Pipe, which transport Norwegian natural gas from the North Sea via Denmark to Poland. A new receiving plant is constructed at the gas treatment plant for the Danish natural gas from the North Sea, and the Danish gas transmission network has been expanded with an approximately 210 km pipeline. The pipeline runs through a new compressor station in Zealand. The annual capacity of the Baltic Pipe is 10 billion cubic meters gas.

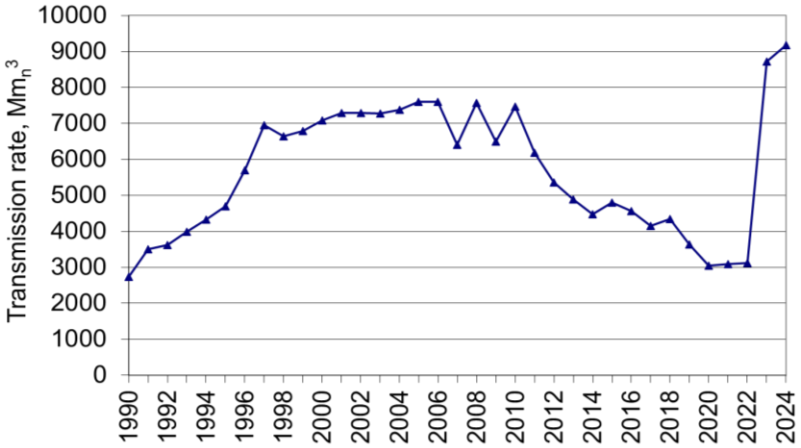


Figure 3.5.12 Rates for transmission of natural gas.

Emission factors

The fugitive emissions from transmission and storage of natural gas are based on data on gas losses from the Danish gas transmission company and on the average annual natural gas composition given by Energinet.dk (2025c) (Table 3.5.9).

Table 3.5.9 Annual gas composition, lower heating value and density for Danish natural gas.

		Unit	1990	2000	2005	2010	2015	2020	2023	2024
Methane	CH_4	molar-%	90.92	86.97	88.97	89.95	88.80	95.9	88.06	88.35
Ethane	C_2H_6	molar-%	5.08	6.88	6.14	5.71	6.08	3.05	7.28	7.20
Propane	C_3H_8	molar-%	1.89	3.17	2.50	2.19	2.47	0.18	1.39	1.26
i-Butane	i-C_4H_{10}	molar-%	0.36	0.43	0.40	0.37	0.39	0.05	0.13	0.12
n-Butane	n-C_4H_{10}	molar-%	0.50	0.61	0.55	0.54	0.59	0.03	0.18	0.17
i-Petane	i-C_5H_{12}	molar-%	0.14	0.11	0.11	0.13	0.13	0.01	0.03	0.03
n-Petane	n-C_5H_{12}	molar-%	0.10	0.08	0.08	0.08	0.10	0.01	0.02	0.02
n-Hexane and heavier hydrocarbons	C^{6+}	molar-%	0.09	0.06	0.05	0.06	0.05	0.02	0.02	0.02
Nitrogen	N_2	molar-%	0.31	0.34	0.29	0.31	0.32	0.31	0.97	0.89
Carbon dioxide	CO_2	molar-%	0.60	1.35	0.90	0.66	1.07	0.44	1.93	1.93
Lower heating value	H_n	MJ/m^3_n	39.176	40.154	39.671	39.461	39.635	36.700	38.026	37.949
Density	ρ	kg/m^3_n	0.808	0.846	0.825	0.816	0.828	0.749	0.818	0.815

Emissions

The gas transmission company reports emissions of CH_4 for the years 1999 and onwards, based on registered loss in the transmission grid and the emission from the natural gas consumption in the pressure regulating stations. For the years 1991-1998, the CH_4 emissions for transmission are estimated based on the registered loss provided by the transmission company and the annual composition of Danish natural gas given by Energinet.dk. Transmission loss is not available for 1990, why the average for 1991-1995 is applied.

As the pipelines in Denmark are relatively new and made of plastic, most emissions are due to leaks during construction and maintenance. This leads to large annual fluctuations in emissions, which are not correlated to the transmission rates. E.g. the large emission in 1995 owe to a large construction work covering four different locations. The increase in 2011 owe to venting for drainage of the pipes in preparation for construction work on a new compressor station, and the increase in 2014 owe to the construction of a new major railway line. The increase in 2021 and 2022 owe to increased focus from the transmission company on improvement of the data foundation. Further, there have been more construction work than in the previous years, e.g. activities related to two biogas systems and the Baltic pipe. The decrease in 2023-2024 is mainly due to the completion of the work on the Baltic Pipe.

Emissions of CH_4 from transmission of natural gas are shown in Figure 3.5.13. Emissions of CO_2 from transmission and storage are very limited and not included in the figure. For information on emissions of NMVOC, please refer to Chapter 3.4 in the Danish Informative Inventory Report (Nielsen et al., 2026).

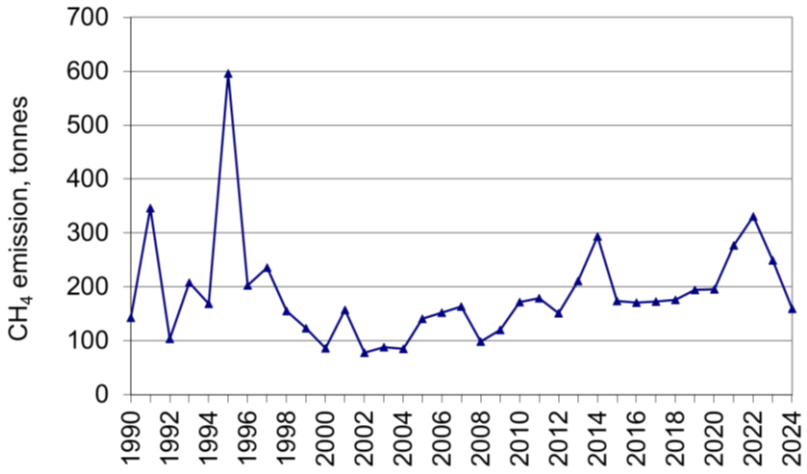


Figure 3.5.13 CH_4 emissions from transmission of natural gas.

Distribution (1B2b5)

Gas distribution 1B2b5 cover emissions from the natural gas and town gas distribution pipelines, and post-meter emissions from appliances in industrial plants and power stations, in the commercial and residential sector and from natural gas fired vehicles.

Activity data

Distribution rates for 1990-1998 are estimated from the Danish energy statistics. Distribution rates are assumed to equal total Danish consumption rate minus the consumption rates of sectors that receive the gas at high pressure. The following consumers are assumed to receive high-pressure gas: town gas production companies, production platforms and power plants. In 1999-2006,

distribution rates refer to DONG Energy/Danish Gas Technology Centre/Danish gas distribution companies (Karll, 2002; Karll, 2003; Karll, 2004; Karll, 2005; Oertenblad, 2006; Oertenblad, 2007). Since 2007, the distribution rates are given by the distribution companies. The fugitive losses from distribution of natural gas are only given for some companies. The average of the available "loss/distribution"-ratios is used for the remaining companies too.

Activity data for distribution of town gas are rather scarce, and calculations are based on the available data from the town gas distribution companies on gas losses from the pipelines. At present, there are two areas with town gas distribution and correspondingly two distribution companies. Two other companies in other areas were closed in 2004 and 2006, and it has not been possible to collect data for all years in the time series. The emissions have been calculated for the years with available data and the distribution loss for the first year with data has been applied for the previous years in the time series. Data is missing for the later years (1996-2003) for one of the distribution companies. The distribution rate is assumed to decrease linearly to cero over these years, and the share ("distribution loss/distribution rate") is assumed equal to the value for 1995.

Data on the distribution network are given by Energinet.dk, the Danish Gas Technology Centre (DGC) and the distribution companies concerning length and material. The length of the distribution network is around 20.000 km. Because the distribution network in Denmark is relatively new, most of the pipelines are made of plastic (approximately 90 %). For this reason, the fugitive emission is negligible under normal operating conditions as the distribution system is basically tight with no fugitive losses. However, the plastic pipes are vulnerable and therefore most of the fugitive emissions from the pipes are caused by losses due to excavation damages, and construction and maintenance activities performed by the gas companies. These losses are either measured or estimated by calculation in each case by the gas companies. About 5 % of the distribution network is used for town gas. This part of the network is older, and the fugitive losses are larger. The fugitive losses from this network are associated with more uncertainty as it is estimated as a percentage (15 %) of the meter differential. This assumption is based on expert judgement from one of the town gas companies (Jensen, 2008). Distribution rates are shown in Figure 3.5.14.

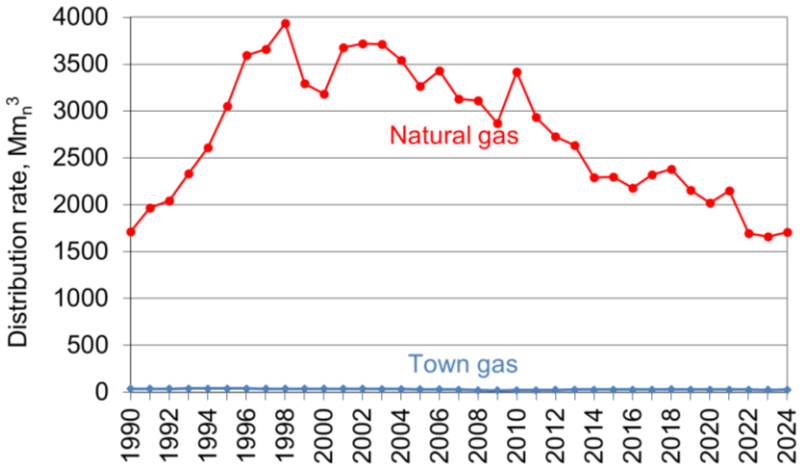


Figure 3.5.14 Distribution rates of natural gas and town gas.

Activity data for post-meter emissions is natural gas consumption in industry and power plants, in the residential and commercial sector and the number of

natural gas fired vehicles. Natural gas consumptions are based on the energy statistics and the number of natural gas fired vehicles are in accordance with the numbers used in the emission inventory for mobile sources (Chapter 3.3). Activity data for post-meter emissions are included in Figure 3.5.15.

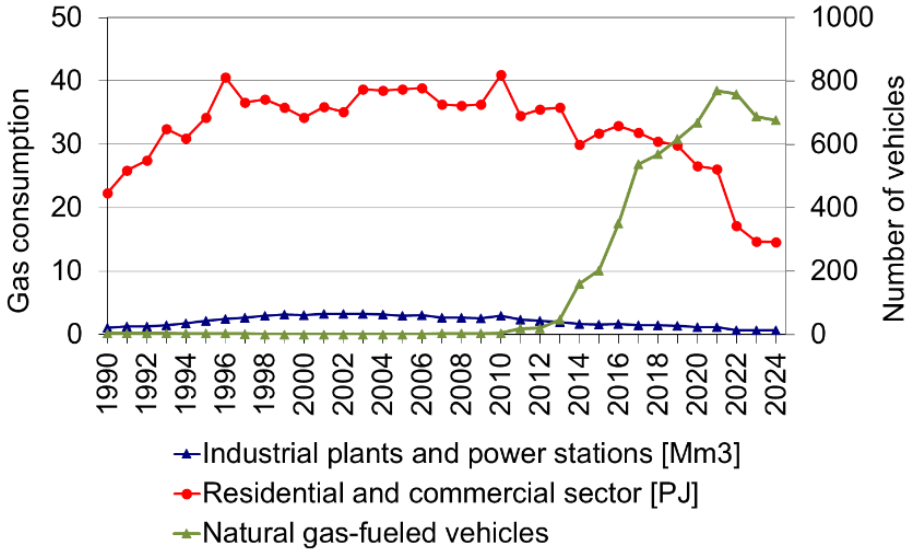


Figure 3.5.15 Gas consumption for industrial and power plants, residential and commercial plants and number of gas fired vehicles.

Emission factors

Emissions from natural gas distribution are calculated from the fugitive losses from pipelines and the gas quality measured by Energinet.dk (Table 3.5.9). The same approach is used for town gas, which is natural gas admixed ~ 50 % ambient air. From 2014, one town gas distribution company has started to admix biogas. In 2014, the share of biogas is 10.1 %, which is expected to increase in the coming years. The admixed biogas has not been upgraded as tests of different appliances have shown that up to 40 % non-upgraded biogas can be added to the town gas without causing problems with the appliances' combustion. The composition of biogas is given in Table 3.5.10.

Table 3.5.10 Composition of biogas admixed to town gas (Jeppesen, 2014; Ea Energianalyse, 2014).

Methane	CH_4	molar-%	60.98
Nitrogen	N_2	molar-%	0.001
Carbon dioxide	CO_2	molar-%	39.02
Lower heating value	H_n	MJ/m^3_n	21.53
Density	ρ	kg/m^3_n	0.808

The distribution companies provide emissions of CH_4 for 1997 and onwards. For the years 1995-1996, CH_4 emissions are calculated from the registered loss from distribution and the annual composition of Danish natural gas given by Energinet.dk. As distribution losses are not available for the years 1990-1994, the percentage loss for 1995 is used.

Emission factors for post-meter emissions for appliances in industrial plants and power stations and for natural gas fired vehicles are Tier 1 emission factors from the 2019 IPCC Refinement. Emission factors for residential and commercial appliances are calculated with country specific emission factors based on Merrin & Francisco (2019) and country specific number of appliances per

type. The emission factors for post-meter emissions are included in Table 3.5.11.

Table 3.5.11 Emission factors for post-meter emissions.

	Unit	CH_4	CO_2	N_2O
Appliances in industrial plants and power stations	kg/Mm^3 gas consumed	4	2.3E-03	NA
Appliances in the residential and commercial sector	g/GJ	4.899	0.047	NA
Natural gas fired vehicles	t/vehicle	3.0E-04	2.3E-06	NA

Emissions

Emissions of CH_4 from distribution of natural gas and town gas are shown in Figure 3.5.16. Emissions of CO_2 are very limited and not included in the figure. For information on emissions of NMVOC, please refer to Chapter 3.4 in the Danish Informative Inventory Report (Nielsen et al., 2026).

Emissions from the natural gas network are variable and are associated with renovation to the network and excavation damages. Before 2006, the natural gas losses from distribution are based on estimates, as data are not available. Natural gas losses for the years 2001-2005 are based on loss/distribution rate in 2006. Loss rates for 1998-2000 are available in the annual environmental reports for the then distribution company, and for the years 1990-1997 the 1995 loss/distribution rate, which is available in the 1999 environmental report, is applied, which is available in the 1999 environmental report. This is the reason for the changes 1997-1998 and 2000-2001. The Danish Gas Technology Centre (DGC) has provided data on annual gas loss for natural gas distribution for the years 2020 onwards. In the later years there have been a large contribution from excavation damages particular in connection to expansion of district heating in areas where it substitutes natural gas, as the piping is about the same place and the natural gas is not disconnected until the construction work is completed.

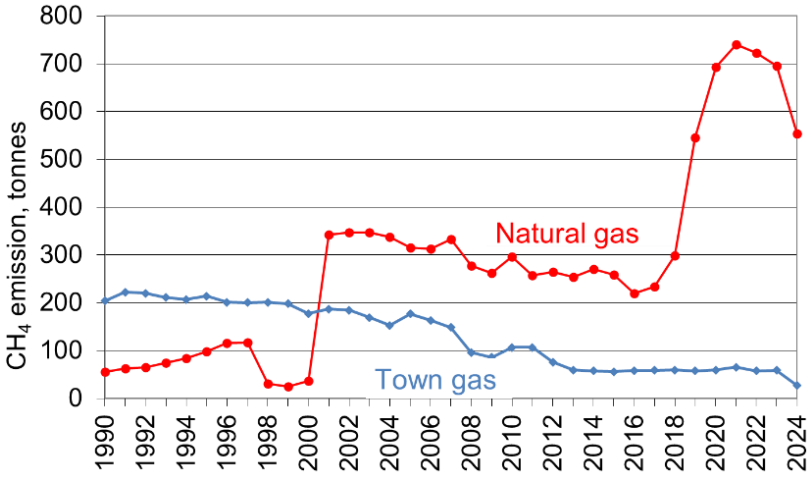


Figure 3.5.16 CH_4 emissions from distribution of gas.

Post-meter CH_4 emissions are shown in Figure 3.5.17. The annual variation depends on the natural gas consumption in industrial, power, residential and commercial plants. Emissions from natural gas fired vehicles is minor due to the small number of vehicles.

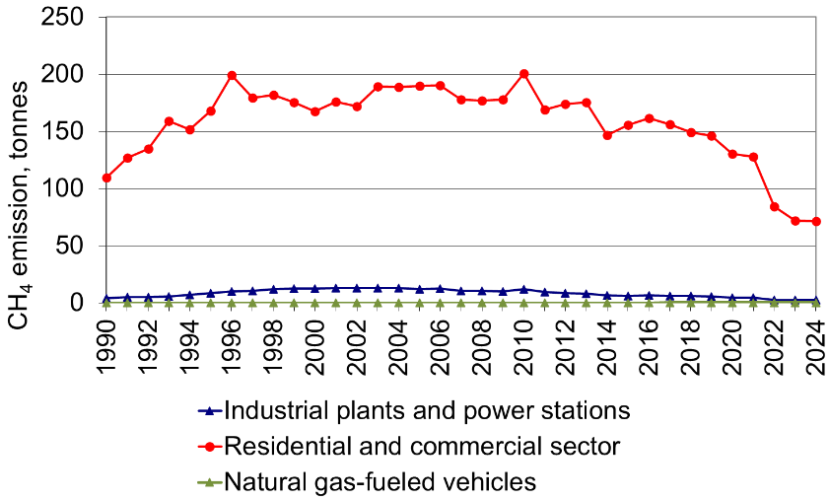


Figure 3.5.17 CH_4 post-meter emissions.

3.5.2.5 Fugitive emissions from venting and flaring (1B2c)

Venting occurs in the two Danish natural gas storage facilities and from measurement equipment at the natural gas treatment plant. Flaring occurs in oil and gas production, in gas treatment and storage facilities, in refineries, and in gas transmission and distribution.

Venting

Activity data

The natural gas storage facilities are obligated to make environmental reports on an annual basis, including data on venting. Venting from measurement equipment at the gas treatment facility is provided in Nygaard (2020) based on information from the gas treatment plant. Venting of gas is assumed to be not occurring in extraction and in refineries, as controlled venting enters the gas flare system. Venting rates in gas storage and treatment facilities are shown in Figure 3.5.18. Data are not available for the years 1990-1994 for the one gas storage facility that was in operation over the entire time series, and the average for 1995-1998 is applied. The second gas storage facility was opened in 1994, leading to increasing venting rates.

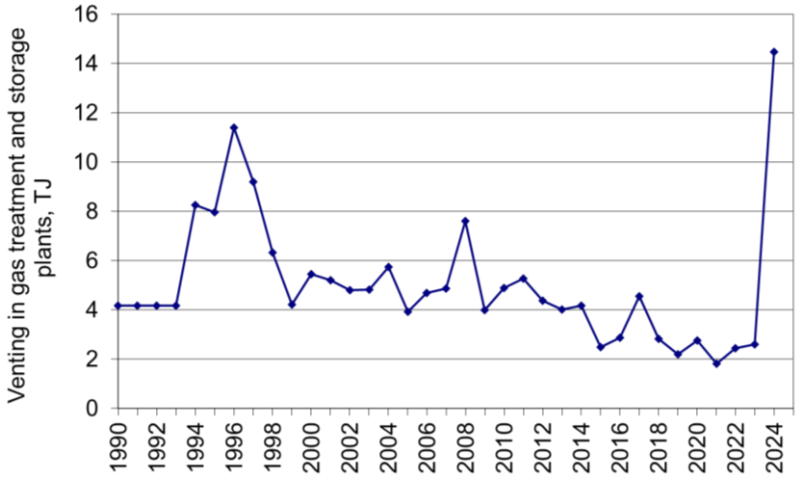


Figure 3.5.18 Venting rates in gas storage and treatment facilities.

Emission factors

Emissions of CH_4 and NMVOC from venting are given in the environmental reports for the gas storage facilities (Energinet.dk, 2025a). CO_2 emissions from venting and CH_4 and NMVOC emissions from the gas treatment facility are

calculated from country specific emission factors based on annual natural gas composition published by Energinet.dk.

Emissions

Venting is limited to the gas storage and treatment facilities, and the emissions are of minor importance to the total fugitive emissions. Venting emissions are included in Figure 3.5.19.

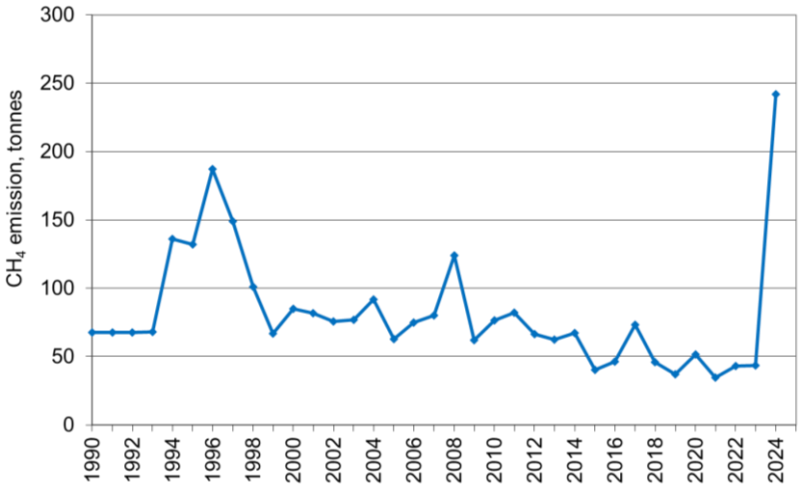


Figure 3.5.19 CH_4 emissions from venting.

Flaring

Flaring in refineries

Activity data

Flaring rates for the two Danish refineries are given in their environmental reports and in additional data provided by the refineries directly to DCE. From 2006, flaring rates are given in the EU ETS reporting. Data are not available for the years 1990-1993, why the flaring rate for 1994 has been adopted for the previous years. Flaring rates are shown in Figure 3.5.20.

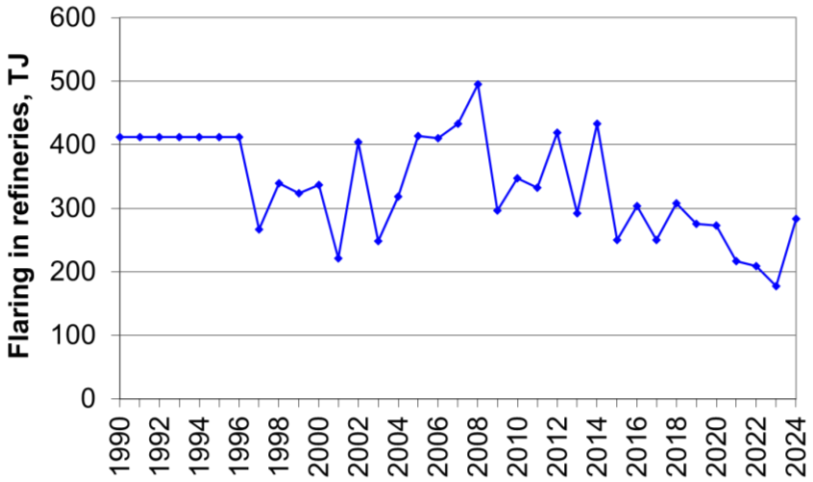


Figure 3.5.20 Flaring rates in refineries.

Emission factors

The composition of refinery gas is given for 2008 by one of the two refineries. As the composition for refinery gas is very different from the composition of natural gas, the 2008 refinery gas composition is used in calculations for both Danish refineries. The CH_4 and NMVOC emission factors based on the 2008

refinery gas composition are applied for both refineries for the entire time series. The CO_2 emission factor is based on the refineries reporting to the EU ETS from the years 2006 and onwards. Before 2006, corresponding data are not available, and the average of CO_2 emission factors for 2007-2011 for each refinery is applied. The emission factor applied for N_2O is based on OLF (1993) for flaring in oil and gas extraction, as no value are given for flaring in refineries. The emission factors are listed in Table 3.5.12. For information on emissions of other pollutants, please refer to Chapter 3.4 in the Danish Informative Inventory Report (Nielsen et al., 2026).

Table 3.5.12 Emission factors for flaring in refineries for 2024.

Pollutant	Emission factor	Unit
CH_4	18.1	g per GJ
CO_2 *	55.02 / 59.02	kg per GJ
N_2O	0.47	g per GJ

** The CO_2 emission factors are based on the refineries reports for EU ETS and are plant specific.

Emissions

Emissions of CH_4 and CO_2 are shown in Figure 3.5.21. The variation over the time series follows the flaring rates, with small variations for CO_2 from 2006 onwards, when annual plant specific CO_2 emission factors became available in EU ETS reporting.

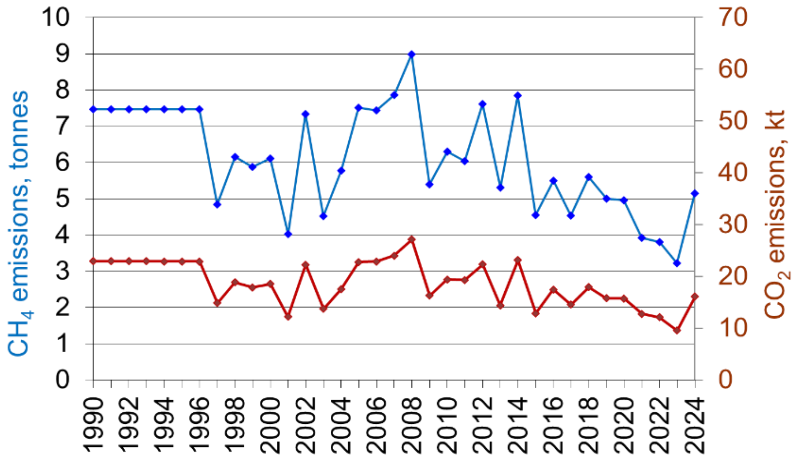


Figure 3.5.21 CH_4 and CO_2 emissions from flaring in refineries.

Flaring in upstream oil and gas production

Activity data

From 2006, data on flaring in upstream oil and gas production is given in the reports submitted under the EU ETS and thereby emission calculation can be made for the individual production units. Before 2006 only the total flared amount is available in the annual report Denmark's oil and gas production published by the Danish Energy Agency (2025a). Flaring rates (and CO_2 emissions) are shown in Figure 3.5.22. Flaring rates in upstream oil and gas production have been decreasing over the last 10 years period in accordance with the decrease in production as seen in Figure 3.5.9. Further, there is focus on reducing the amount being flared for environmental reasons.

The Tyra platforms are closed in the period between September 2019 and March 2024 due to redevelopment. The recommissioning started ultimo March was expected to last around 4 months, where the capacity slowly increased from 0 to full capacity. The commissioning and ramp-up of Tyra II

production was impacted by weather conditions and minor operational occurrences and is now expected to be completed in February 2025. The Tyra platforms have for 30 years been processing most of the Danish natural gas production, and the redevelopment ensures continued production from Denmark's largest producing gas field.

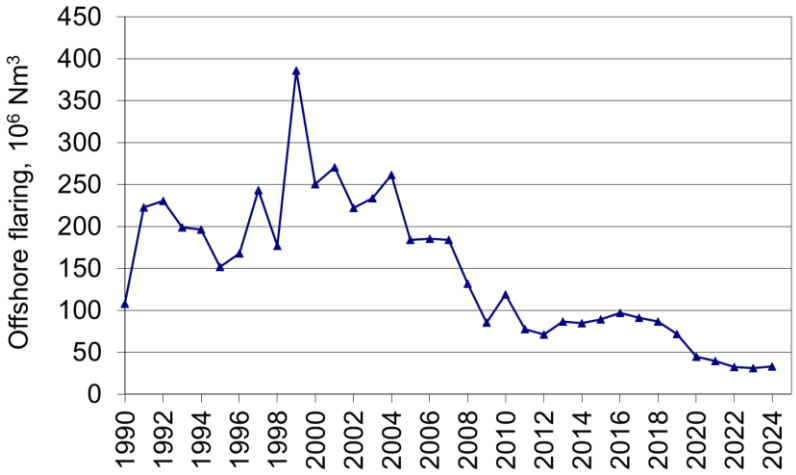


Figure 3.5.22 Fuel rate for flaring in upstream oil and gas production.

Emission factors

The emission factors for flaring in upstream oil and gas production are shown in Table 3.5.13. Since 2006, the CO_2 emission factor is calculated according to the reporting for EU ETS. As corresponding data are not available for earlier years, the average CO_2 EF for the years 2008-2012 is applied for the years 1990-2007. The emission factor for CH_4 is estimated from flare gas quality data for one offshore production platform, assuming a flare efficiency of 98 % in agreement with IPCC (2006) and API (2009). Emission factors for N_2O are based on IPCC (2006). For information on emissions of other pollutants, please refer to Chapter 3.4 in the Danish Informative Inventory Report (Nielsen et al., 2026).

Table 3.5.13 Emission factors for flaring in upstream oil and gas production for 2024.

Pollutant	Emission factor	Unit
CH_4	10.56	g/Nm^3
CO_2	2.80	kg/Nm^3
N_2O	0.004	g/Nm^3

Emissions

The time series for the emission of CO_2 from flaring in upstream oil and gas production fluctuates due to the fluctuations in the fuel rate and to a minor degree due to the CO_2 emission factor. There was a marked increase in the rate of flaring in upstream oil and gas production in 1997 and especially in 1999. The increase in 1997 was due to the new Dan field and the completion of the Harald field. The increase in 1999 was due to the opening of the three new fields Halfdan, Siri and Syd Arne. The CH_4 and N_2O emissions from flaring in upstream oil and gas production are estimated from the same emission factors for all years and the variations reflect only the variations in the flared amounts. Emissions of CO_2 and CH_4 from flaring are shown in Figure 3.5.23.

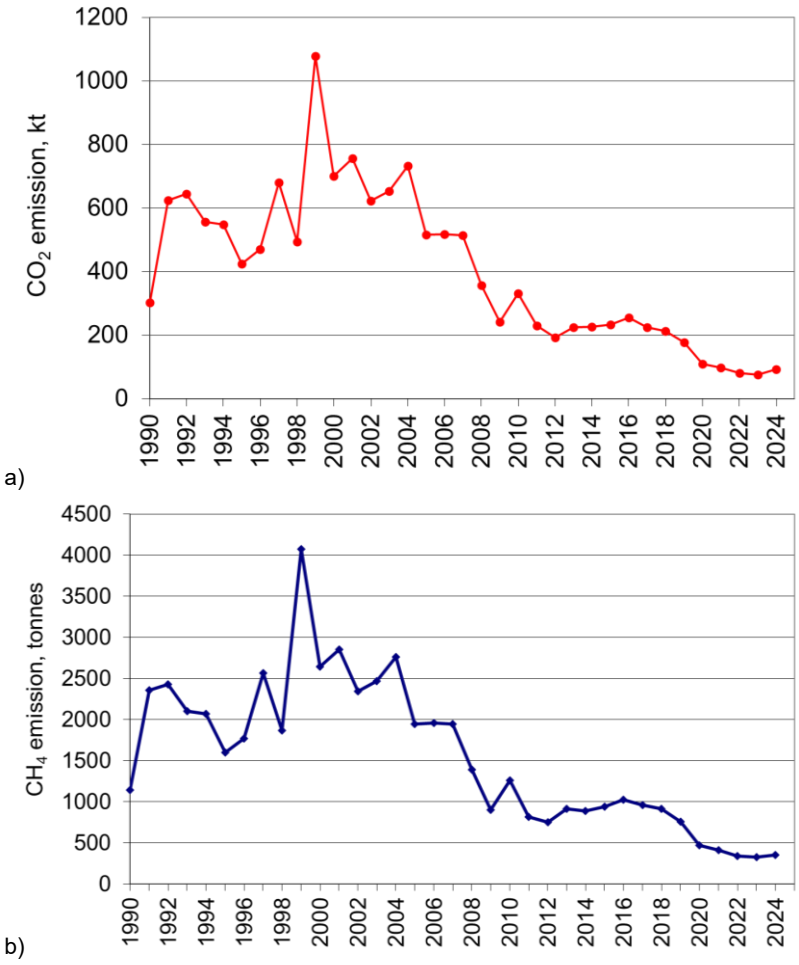


Figure 3.5.23 a) CO_2 and b) CH_4 emissions from flaring in upstream oil and gas production.

Flaring in gas treatment and storage facilities

Activity data

Activity data for flaring at the gas treatment facility are given in environmental reports (1994-2005) and in the EU-ETS reports (2006 onwards) and for gas storage facilities in environmental reports (Energinet.dk, 2025a). Flaring rates in gas treatment and gas storage facilities are not available before 1994. The mean value for 1994-1998 has been adopted as basis for the emission calculation for the years 1990-1993 (Figure 3.5.24). Note that one of the two gas storage facilities was not opened before 1994. The large amount of gas flared in 2007 owe to a larger maintenance work at the gas treatment plant. The increase in 2017 owe to increased flaring amount at the gas treatment plant. The increase in 2022 owe to the emissions from the receiving terminal for Baltic Pipe, which is a gas pipeline that provides Denmark and Poland with a direct access to Norway's gas fields. The receiving terminal is an expansion of the existing receiving terminal Nybro, which receive gas from the Danish production facilities in the North Sea. Baltic Pipe was in full operation from ultimo November 2022.

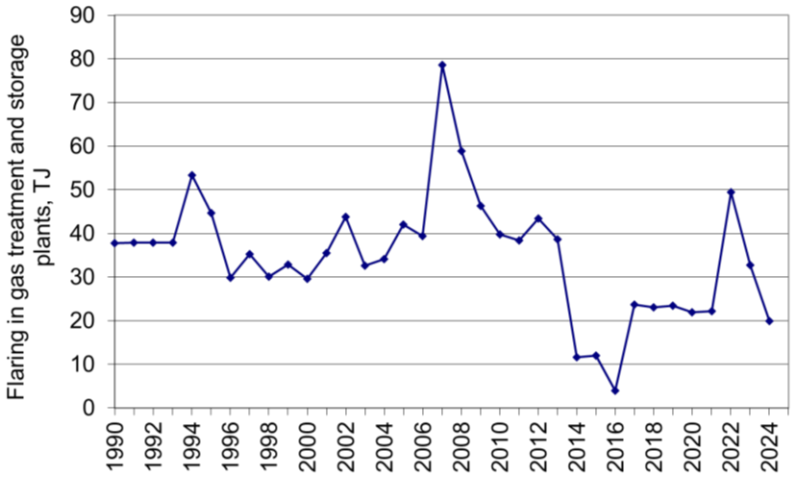


Figure 3.5.24 Flaring in gas treatment and storage facilities.

Emission factors

Emissions from flaring in gas treatment and storage facilities are calculated from the same emission factors, which are used for flaring in upstream oil and gas production, except for CO_2. The natural gas flared in the treatment and storage facilities are natural gas with the same composition as natural gas distributed in Denmark, and the CO_2 emission factors are based on the gas composition given by Energinet.dk.

Emissions

Emissions from flaring in gas treatment and storage facilities are of minor importance to the total fugitive emissions. CH_4 emissions are included in Figure 3.5.25. The increase in 2017 and 2023 owe to increased flaring amount at the gas treatment plant.

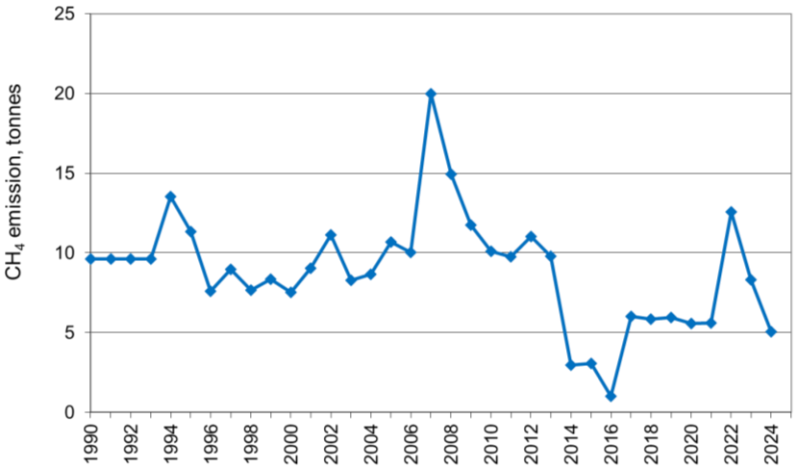


Figure 3.5.25 CH_4 emissions from flaring in gas treatment and storage facilities.

Flaring in gas transmission and distribution

Activity data

Flaring in gas transmission occur in the years 2011-2013 and 2021. Flaring rates are provided by the gas transmission company Energinet.dk.

Flaring in gas distribution was introduced in 2011 and the relevant gas distribution companies have provided activity data for the years 2011-2016. Data are not available for the years 2017-2022 due to more rounds of consolidations of the distribution companies, ending up with one single gas distribution company (Evida) since October 2019. Following, the rate for 2016 is applied

for 2017-2021 for flaring in gas distribution, and Evida provided estimates for the following years. Flaring rates are shown in Figure 3.5.26.

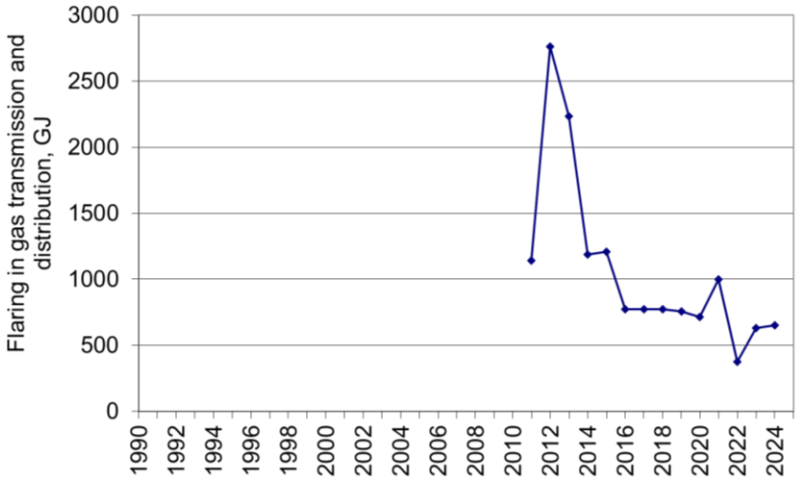


Figure 3.5.26 CH_4 emissions from flaring in gas transmission and distribution.

Emission factors

The same emission factors are used for flaring in gas transmission and distribution as for flaring in gas treatment and storage facilities, and the description can be found in the relevant section above.

Emissions

Only minor emissions occur from flaring in gas transmission and distribution and only since 2011. CH_4 emissions are included in Figure 3.5.27.

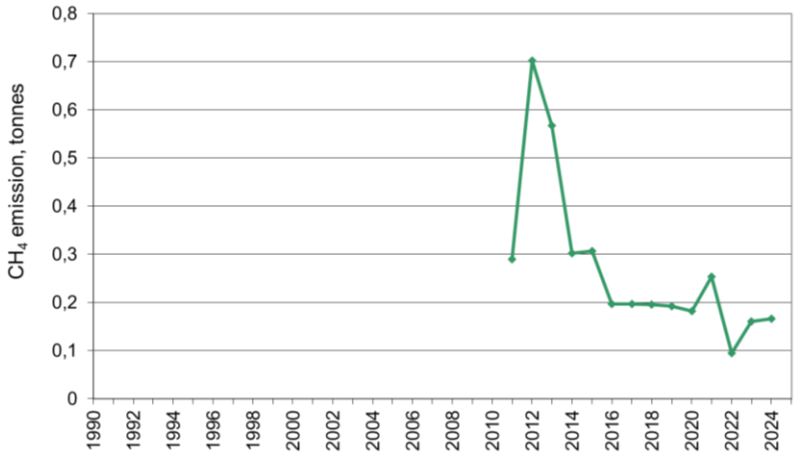


Figure 3.5.27 CH_4 emissions from flaring in gas transmission and distribution.

3.5.2.6 Uncertainties and time series consistency

Until 2016, two sets of uncertainty estimates were made for the Danish emission inventory for greenhouse gases based on Approach 1 and Approach 2, respectively. The uncertainty models follow the methodology in the 2006 IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006). Approach 1 is based on the simplified uncertainty analysis (error propagation method) and Approach 2 is based on Monte Carlo simulations. From the 2017 submission, the Approach 2 uncertainty estimation has not been carried out due to a lack of resources.

Uncertainty estimates are made for total emissions in the latest inventory year and for the emission trend for the corresponding time series. Uncertainty estimates are made for the CO_2, CH_4 and N_2O separately and summarized.

Input data

The Approach 1 uncertainty model is based on emission data, uncertainty levels for activity data and uncertainty levels for emission factors for base year and latest inventory year. Emission data, activity data and emission factors are described in Section *3.5.4 Activity data, emission factors and emissions for fugitive sources*.

The uncertainty levels used in the uncertainty models are based on different sources, e.g. the 2006 IPCC Guidelines, the EMEP/EEA Guidebook and reports under the EU ETS. Further, a number of the uncertainty levels are given as DCE assumptions. DCE assumptions are based on source and/or plant specific uncertainty levels for part of the SNAP category and assumptions for the remaining sources and/or plants in the category.

Input data are aggregated on SNAP level. Estimates are made for the greenhouse gases CO_2, CH_4 and N_2O, both separately and summarized (GHG). Uncertainty levels for activity data and emission factors are listed in Table 3.5.14. Uncertainty levels are given in percentage related.

Table 3.5.14 Uncertainty levels for activity rates and emission factors.

Pollutant	CRF category	Source	Activity data uncertainty level, %	Emission factor uncertainty level, %
CO_2	1.B.2.a.1	Exploration	2 A	10 A
CO_2	1.B.2.a.4	Refining/storage	2 A	40 S
CO_2	1.B.2.a.6	Abandoned wells	1 A	120 R
CO_2	1.B.2.b.1	Exploration	2 A	10 A
CO_2	1.B.2.b.2	Production	2 A	70 A
CO_2	1.B.2.b.4	Transmission and storage	15 G	2 Q
CO_2	1.B.2.b.5	Distribution	25 G, A	10 Q, A
CO_2	1.B.2.c.1.ii	Venting	15 G	60 R
CO_2	1.B.2.c.2.i	Flaring, oil	15 G, A	2 Q
CO_2	1.B.2.c.2.ii	Flaring, gas	11 E	2 E
CO_2	1.B.2.c.2.iii	Flaring, combined	7,5 E	2 E
CH_4	1.B.2.a.1	Exploration	7,5 E	2 E
CH_4	1.B.2.a.3	Transport	2 A	125 A
CH_4	1.B.2.a.4	Refining/storage	2 A	50 R
CH_4	1.B.2.a.6	Abandoned wells	1 E, A	200 A
CH_4	1.B.2.b.1	Exploration	1 A	120 R
CH_4	1.B.2.b.2	Production	2 A	125 A
CH_4	1.B.2.b.4	Transmission and storage	2 A	130 A
CH_4	1.B.2.b.5	Distribution	15 G	2 Q
CH_4	1.B.2.c.1.ii	Venting	25 G, A	10 Q, A
CH_4	1.B.2.c.2.i	Flaring, oil	15 G	60 R
CH_4	1.B.2.c.2.ii	Flaring, gas	15 G, A	2 Q
CH_4	1.B.2.c.2.iii	Flaring, combined	11 E	15 H, A
N_2O	1.B.2.a.1	Exploration, oil	7,5 E	2 A
N_2O	1.B.2.c.2.i	Flaring, oil	7,5 E	125 G
N_2O	1.B.2.c.2.ii	Flaring, gas	2 A	1000 A
N_2O	1.B.2.c.2.iii	Flaring, combined	11 E	1000 I

A: DCE assumption.
E: EU Emission Trading Scheme (EU ETS).
G: EMEP/EEA Guidebook, 2009.
H: Holst, 2009 and Statoil A/S, 2010b
I: IPCC Good Practice Guidance (default value).
Q: Annual gas quality, Energinet.dk
R: 2019 IPCC Refinement
S: Statistisk Sentralbyrå, Statistics Norway, 2008.

The CO_2 emission factors for flaring in upstream oil and gas production and in refineries and the CO_2 and CH_4 emission factors for natural gas transmission, distribution and venting, are the most accurate as they are calculated on basis of gas composition measurements. Emissions factors for flare gas are available in the EU ETS reporting while emissions factors for natural gas are published by Energinet.dk.

The calculation of CO_2 emissions from exploration of oil and gas is based on information on oil and gas quality for most drillings. As the uncertainty levels of the measurements are not available, the double of the uncertainty for flaring in oil and gas extraction (before EU ETS standards) has been used.

The CO_2 emission factor for abandoned oil/gas wells is based on standard emission factors from IPCC (2019) and the corresponding uncertainties of 120 % are applied in the uncertainty analysis.

The CH_4 and CO_2 emission factors for production of oil and gas are based on data from the Danish operators and estimated uncertainties of 130 % and 70 %, respectively, is applied in the uncertainty analysis.

The uncertainty level for the emission factor for fugitive CH_4 emissions from refineries is dominated by a large uncertainty for one refinery. Further, measurements of fugitive emissions from the refineries are only available for one and two years, respectively, and these measurements indicate larger emissions than earlier estimates. As more measurements become available, the uncertainty level is expected to decrease.

The emission factors for onshore loading of ships are based on data for the Danish harbour terminal and the uncertainty is expected to be relatively low, as it is based on results from measurement campaigns. The uncertainty for the CH_4 emission factors for offshore loading of ships in the 2019 IPCC Refinement (IPCC, 2019) is ±50 %. Following, an uncertainty level of 50 % are used for CRF 1B2a3 Oil transport.

For onshore activities, the emission factor uncertainty corresponds to the uncertainty for onshore loading by Statistics Norway (2008), and the same uncertainty level is assumed for the CH_4 emission factor for onshore activities.

According to IPCC (2006) the emission factor for N_2O is the least reliable, and the uncertainty interval for the N_2O emission factors given for flaring in oil and gas production is -10 % to +1 000 %. An uncertainty level of 1 000 % is adopted in the Danish uncertainty model for all fugitive sources in the Danish inventory (exploration and flaring of oil and gas).

Results

The results of the Approach 1 uncertainty model are shown in Table 3.5.15. N_2O has the largest uncertainty for both the total emission and the trend followed by CH_4 and CO_2. The estimated uncertainty for the total GHG emission is 30 % and the GHG emission trend is -73 % ±4 %-point.

Table 3.5.15 Uncertainty estimates for total emissions and emission trends from the Approach 1 uncertainty model.

	1990 emission, kt CO_2 eqv	2024 emission, kt CO_2 eqv	Uncertainty, % lower and upper (±)	Trend 1990-2024, %	Uncertainty, % lower and upper (±)
CO_2	341	111	7	-68	3
CH_4	329	100	69	-69	9
N_2O	0.17	0,07	703	-58	111
GHG	670	211	33	-69	5

3.5.2.7 Category-specific QA/QC and verification

The elaboration of a formal QA/QC plan started in 2004 and was updated in 2013 (Nielsen et al., 2013) and latest in 2020 (Nielsen et al., 2020). The plan describes the concepts of quality work and definitions of sufficient quality, Critical Control Points (CCP) and a list of Points of Measuring (PM) (Figure 3.5.28). Please refer to the general Section *1.6 Information on QA/QC plan including verification and treatment of confidential issues where relevant* for further information.

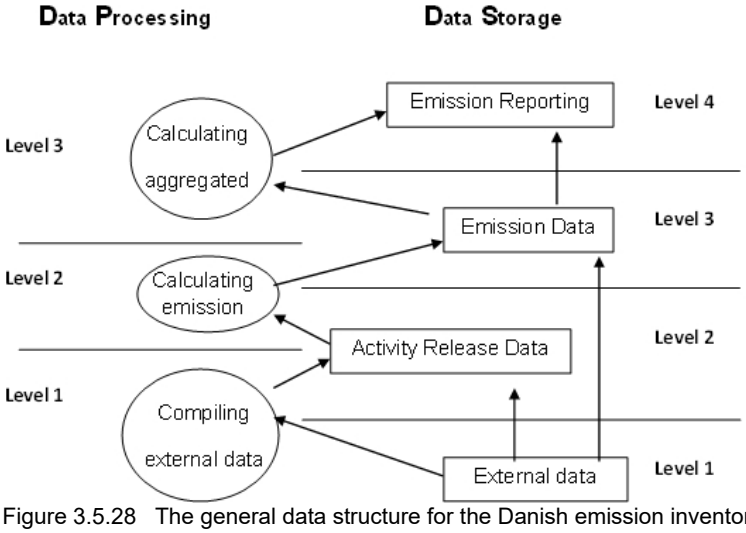


Figure 3.5.28 The general data structure for the Danish emission inventory (Nielsen et al., 2020).

Data storage level 1

Data storage level 1 refers to the data collected by DCE before any processing or preparing. Table 3.5.16 lists the external data deliveries used for the inventory of fugitive emissions. Further, the table holds information on the contacts at the data delivery companies.

Table 3.5.16 List of external data sources.

Category	Data description	Data type	Reference	Contact(s)	Data agreement /comment
Exploration of oil and gas	Dataset for exploration of oil and gas, including rates and composition.	Activity data	The Danish Energy Agency	Kirsten Lundt Erichsen	Data agreement
Abandoned oil/gas wells	Number, date and location for abandoned wells	Activity data	The Danish Energy Agency	Kirsten Lundt Erichsen	No formal data agreement
Production of oil and gas	Gas and oil production. Dataset, including rates of offshore loading of ships.	Activity data	The Danish Energy Agency	Kirsten Lundt Erichsen	Not necessary due to obligation by law
	Company emission inventory data, LDAR information and drone measurement results.	Emission data and supporting information	TotalEnergies, INEOS Energy	Karina Gil Tabita Hylkjær	No formal data agreement.
Offshore flaring	Flaring in upstream oil and gas production (EU ETS data)	Activity data	The Danish Energy Agency	Rikke Brynaa Lintrup	Data agreement
Service stations	Data on gasoline sales from the Danish energy statistics.	Activity data	The Danish Energy Agency	Jytte Illerup, Ali A. Zarnaghi	Data agreement
Gas transmission	Natural gas transmission rates from the transmission company, sales and losses.	Activity data	Energinet.dk	Frederikke Byrial Zilstorff	Not necessary due to obligation by law
Onshore activities	Rates of oil transport in pipeline and onshore loading to ships. Emissions from storage of raw oil in the terminal.	Activity data and emission data	Ørsted	Søren Boesen	No formal data agreement.
Gas distribution	Natural gas and town gas distribution rates from the distribution company, sales and losses (meter differences)	Activity data	Evida	Per Gravers Kristensen	No formal data agreement.
Emissions from refinery	Fuel consumption and emission data.	Activity data and emission data	Kalundborg Refinery, Crossbridge	Anette Holst, Trine Bjerre Kristiansen	No formal data agreement.
Treatment and storage of gas	Environmental reports and supplemental data from plants defined as large point sources (Lille Torup, Stenlille)	Activity data and emission data	Energinet.dk	Christian Guldager Cordydon	No formal data agreement.
Onshore loading	Annual report for the harbour terminal.	Activity data and emission data	Crossbridge	Trine Bjerre Kristiansen	No formal data agreement.
CO_2 emission factors for different sources	Reports according to the CO_2 emission trading scheme (EU ETS)	Activity data	Various plants		Not necessary due to obligation by law
Emission factors	Emission factors origin from many sources	Emission factors	See Section *3.5.4 Activity data, emission factors and emissions for fugitive sources* regarding emission factors		

The following lists the CCPs and the PMs in the Danish QA/QC plan, relevant for the emission inventory for the fugitive sector.

Level	CCP	PM	Description
Data Storage level 1	1. Accuracy	DS.1.1.1	General level of uncertainty for every dataset including the reasoning for the specific values.

The uncertainty for every dataset included in the inventory of fugitive emissions are evaluated and included in the Tier 1 uncertainty calculations with short descriptions of the reasoning behind the specific values. The general levels of uncertainty are relatively low. The largest uncertainties are expected for emissions from refineries and distribution of town gas, the latter being of minor importance to the total fugitive emissions. For further comments regarding uncertainties, see Section *3.5.5 Uncertainties and time series consistency*.

Level	CCP	PM	Description
Data Storage level 1	2.Comparability	DS.1.2.1	Comparability of the emission factors/calculation parameters with data from international guidelines, and evaluation of major discrepancies.

Systematic inter-country comparison has only been made on Data Storage Level 4. Refer to DS.4.3.2 in Section *1.6 Information on QA/QC plan including verification and treatment of confidential issues where relevant*.

Level	CCP	PM	Description
Data Storage level 1	3.Completeness	DS.1.3.1	Ensuring that the best possible national data for all sources are included, by setting down the reasoning behind the selection of datasets.

External data include energy statistics from the Danish Energy Agency, EU ETS reports and annual environmental reports from several plants and companies. Further, supplementary information is gathered annually from some companies. Only one national data set is found for most fugitive sources, and all data sets are expected to be complete and include all activities/emissions form the sources. Data on flaring in upstream oil and gas production, in refineries and in gas treatment and storage facilities are available both in annual environmental reports and in EU ETS reports. Data are compared and if any differences occur, this is checked with the data suppliers. Minor differences may owe to the allocation of fuels, e.g. if pilot gas is included in the flare gas or the fuel gas rate.

Energy statistics

The Danish Energy Agency reports fuel consumption statistics on the SNAP level based on a correspondence table developed in co-operation with DCE. Both traded and non-traded fuels are included in the Danish energy statistics. Data on production and flaring in upstream oil and gas production, and gasoline sales are used for estimation of fugitive emissions.

Environmental reports

Many plants are obligated by law to publish an environmental report annually with information on e.g. fuel consumption and emissions. DCE compares data with those from previous years, discrepancies are checked, and large fluctuations are verified.

Annual reports

The gas distribution companies and the raw oil terminal are not obligated to publish environmental reports. Instead, the self-regulation reports, annual reports and/or additional information are used. All information is compared with data for previous years.

Reports for the European Union Greenhouse Gas Emission Trading System (EU ETS)

CO_2 emission factors for offshore in upstream oil and gas production and in refineries are taken from the EU ETS reports since 2006, when the EU ETS reports became available. EU ETS reports are available individually for the Danish oil/gas production fields and refineries.

Emission factors from a wide range of sources

For specific references, see Section *3.5.4 Activity data, emission factors and emissions for fugitive sources*.

Level	CCP	PM	Description
Data Storage level 1	4.Consistency	DS.1.4.1	The original external data has to be archived with proper reference.

All external data are stored in the inventory file system and are accessible for all inventory staff members. Data processing is carried out in separate spread sheets to ensure that the external data are always available in the original form. Data sources are referenced in the spread sheets. Refer to Section *1.3. Brief description of the process of inventory preparation. Data collection and processing, data storage and Archiving*.

Level	CCP	PM	Description
Data Storage level 1	6.Robustness	DS.1.6.1	Explicit agreements between the external institution holding the data and DCE about the conditions of delivery

Formal agreements are made with the Danish Energy Agency. Annual environmental reports are available due to legal requirements. The remaining data are published or delivered by the companies on voluntary basis (Table 3.5.16).

Level	CCP	PM	Description
Data Storage level 1	7.Transparency	DS.1.7.1	Listing of all archived datasets and external contacts.

See DS 1.3.1 and Table 3.5.16.

Data Processing Level 1

Level	CCP	PM	Description
Data Processing level 1	1. Accuracy	DP.1.1.1	Uncertainty assessment for every data source not part of DS.1.1.1 as input to Data Storage level 2 in relation to type and scale of variability.

Refer to Section *1.7 General uncertainty evaluation, including data on the overall uncertainty for the inventory totals* in the Danish NID and Section *3.5.6 Source specific QA/QC and verification*.

Level	CCP	PM	Description
Data Processing level 1	2.Comparability	DP.1.2.1	The methodologies have to follow the international guidelines suggested by UNFCCC and IPCC.

The methodologies in the inventory follow the principles in international guidelines by UNFCCC and IPCC.

Level	CCP	PM	Description
Data Processing level 1	3.Completeness	DP.1.3.1	Identification of data gaps with regard to data sources that could improve quantitative knowledge.

Data gaps are found for distribution of town gas, as more companies are closed before this source was included in the Danish inventory. Emissions, which account for only a limited part of the total fugitive emissions, are calculated on a scarce data foundation. Also, further information regarding VOC emissions from refineries would be preferred but are not available. DCE continue the collaboration with the refineries update the methodology and emission estimates if new information become available.

Level	CCP	PM	Description
Data Processing level 1	4.Consistency	DP.1.4.1	Documentation and reasoning of methodological changes during the time series and the qualitative assessment of the impact on time series consistency.

Since 2006, the EU ETS data have been available for several sources. In all cases, the new data replace use of data assumed to be less accurate. Therefore, the CO_2 emission factors have been updated for all years, and no methodological change occur in the time series.

A change in the calculating procedure would entail elaboration of an updated description in Section *3.5.4 Activity data, emission factors and emissions for fugitive sources*.

Level	CCP	PM	Description
Data Processing level 1	5.Correctness	DP.1.5.2	Verification of calculation results using time series

Time series for activity data, emission factors and/or emissions on SNAP level are used to identify possible errors in the calculation procedure.

Level	CCP	PM	Description
Data Processing level 1	5.Correctness	DP.1.5.3	Verification of calculation results using other measures

For fugitive sources, only one data set is available for calculation, and no verification using other measures are possible. For sources where activity data is available in more data sources (e.g. in both EU ETS and annual reports), data are compared and reasons for any differences are clarified.

Level	CCP	PM	Description
Data Processing level 1	7.Transparency	DP.1.7.1	The calculation principle, the equations used and the assumptions made must be described.

Descriptions are included in the NID in Section *3.5.4 Activity data, emission factors and emissions for fugitive sources*.

Level	CCP	PM	Description
Data Processing level 1	7.Transparency	DP.1.7.2	Clear reference to dataset at Data Storage level 1

Notes on data sources are included in the calculation files for all input data.

Level	CCP	PM	Description
Data Processing level 1	7.Transparency	DP.1.7.3	A manual log to collect information about re-calculations.

A log holding information on recalculations are included in the national inventory system. Further, a log is prepared annually holding information on status of the inventory work and recalculations for each source in the fugitive sector.

Data storage level 2

Level	CCP	PM	Description
Data Storage level 2	5.Correctness	DS.2.5.1	Check if a correct data import to level 2 has been made

To ensure a correct connection between data on level 2 to data on level 1, different controls are in place, e.g. control of sums and random tests.

Data storage level 4

Level	CCP	PM	Description
Data Storage level 4	4.Consistency	DS.4.4.3	The IEFs from the CRF are checked both regarding level and trend. The level is compared to relevant emission factors to ensure correctness. Large dips/jumps in the time series are explained.

Time series for IEFs are checked to identify large fluctuations, which are afterwards investigated and explained. The levels of the IEFs are compared to other relevant EFs, e.g. in standard EFs in guidebooks and guidelines.

Other QC procedures

A list of QA/QC tasks are performed directly in relation to the fugitive emission part of the Danish emission inventories. The following procedures are carried out to ensure the data quality:

- The emission from the large point sources (refineries, gas treatment and gas storage facilities) is compared with the emission reported the previous year.
- Annual environmental reports are kept for subsequent control of plant-specific emission data.
- Checks of data transfer are incorporated in the fugitive emission models, e.g. sum checks.
- Verification of activity data from external data when data are available through more data sources (production and flaring rates in upstream oil and gas production).
- Data sources are incorporated in the fugitive emission models
- A manual log table in the emission databases is applied to collect information about recalculations.
- Comparison with the inventory of the previous year. Any major changes are verified.
- Total emission, when aggregated to reporting tables, is compared with totals based on SNAP source categories (control of data transfer).
- Checking of time series in the CRF and SNAP source categories. Significant dips and jumps are controlled and explained.

External review

A documentation report for the sector "The Danish emission inventory for fugitive emissions from fuels" was published in 2021. The report includes detailed information on the methodology used in the emission inventories for greenhouse gases and air pollution (Plejdrup et al., 2021). The report was reviewed by Jesper Werner Løhndorf Christensen from the Danish Energy Agency.

The previous versions of the documentation report from 2015 and 2009 were reviewed by Glen Thistlethwaite from Ricardo Energy & Environment, Oxfordshire, UK and by Anette Holst, Statoil A/S, The Refinery, Kalundborg, Denmark, respectively.

3.5.2.8 Category-specific recalculations

Only minor recalculations have been made for the fugitive emissions sector. The recalculations are described by source in the following section.

Refining/storage

Small recalculations due to update and correction of data from the refineries for CH_4 in 2018 and SO_2 in 2005-2023. The recalculation is insignificant compared with the national total emissions.

Abandoned wells

In 2025 the Danish Energy Agency has updated the data set for abandoned wells concerning both number and types (plugged / unplugged) of wells. This update is part of preparing for implementation of the EU regulation 2024/1787 on the reduction of methane emissions in the energy sector. The activity data used in the emission inventory is updated for the entire time series according to the new data set from the Danish Energy Agency. The recalculation is insignificant compared with the national total emission.

Gas distribution

Bionatural gas is implemented for the years 2014-2023 based on annual shares of bionatural gas in transported gas. The recalculations are insignificant compared with the national total emissions.

Gas post-meter

The activity data are updated in accordance with the national energy statistics with the largest changes for appliances in the commercial and residential sector The recalculations are insignificant compared with the national total emissions.

Flaring of gas

Minor changes to the activity data due to rounding and unit conversion. The recalculations are insignificant compared with the national total emissions.

3.5.2.9 Category-specific planned improvements

Gas quality for bionatural gas in transmission and distribution will be evaluated in the coming submission.

3.5.2.10 Category-specific response to the review process

The latest UNFCCC review of the Danish 2025 submission took place as an in-country review from 28th April to 2nd May 2025. The 2025 UNFCCC review was the technical expert review of the first biennial transparency report of Denmark.

Table 3.5.17 contains the recommendations of the most recent UNFCCC review of the Danish greenhouse gas inventory. The table details the status of implementation of the recommendations as well as references to where improvements have been implemented in this report.

Table 3.5.17 Response to the review process.

Para.	CRT	TERT Comment	Denmark's response	Reference
The 2025 UNFCCC review did not include any findings for the fugitive sector				

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4 Industrial Processes and Product Use

4.1 Overview of the sector

The *Industrial Processes and Product Use* (IPPU) sector covers greenhouse gases (GHG) from industrial processes not related to generation of energy along with emissions from product use. The IPPU sector consists of the following CRT source categories:

- 2.A Mineral Industry
- 2.B Chemical Industry
- 2.C Metal Industry
- 2.D Non-Energy Products from Fuels and Solvent Use
- 2.E Electronics Industry
- 2.F Product Uses as Substitutes for Ozone Depleting Substances(ODS)
- 2.G Other Product Manufacture and Use

The data presented in this Chapter 4 relate to Denmark only, whereas information for Greenland is included in Chapter 11 and for the Faroe Islands in Chapter 12.

For a more detailed description of the methods used and the verifications performed, please refer to the sectoral method report Hjelgaard (2023).

4.1.1 Methodology overview

Table 4.1.1 gives a brief overview over methodologies applied for the IPPU sector. Further description of the applied methodologies can be found in the following chapters.

Table 4.1.1 Overview of methodologies used for the 2024 data, or the latest active year for activities that have ceased.

IPCC code	Process	Substance	Tier	EF	Key category 1990/2024/ trend
2.A.1	Cement production[1]	CO_2	T3	PS	Yes/Yes/Yes
2.A.2	Lime production	CO_2	T2	PS/CS	No/No/No
2.A.3	Glass production	CO_2	T3	PS	No/No/No
2.A.4.a	Ceramics[1]	CO_2	T3	CS	No/No/No
2.A.4.b	Other uses of soda ash	CO_2	T3	D	No/No/No
2.A.4.d	Other process uses of carbonates, Flue gas cleaning[1]	CO_2	T3	D	No/No/No
2.A.4.d	Other process uses of carbonates, Stone wool prod.	CO_2	CS	D	No/No/No
2.B.2	Nitric acid production	N_2O	T2	PS	Yes/No/Yes
2.B.10	Catalyst production	CO_2, N_2O	CS	PS	No/No/No
2.C.1	Iron and steel production[1]	CO_2	T1	CS/D	No/No/No
2.C.4	Magnesium production	SF_6	T2	D	No/No/No
2.C.5	Secondary lead production	CO_2	T1	D	No/No/No
2.D.1	Lubricant use	CO_2	T1	D	No/No/No
2.D.2	Paraffin wax use	CO_2, N_2O, CH_4	T2	OTH	No/No/No
2.D.3	Road paving with asphalt	CH_4	T2	OTH	No/No/No
2.D.3	Urea-based catalysts	CO_2	T3	D	No/No/No
2.E.5	Other electronics industry	HFCs, PCFs	T2	D	No/No/No
2.F.1	Refrigeration and air conditioning	HFCs, PFCs	T2	D/CS	No/Yes/Yes
2.F.2	Foam blowing agents	HFCs	T2	D	No/No/No
2.F.4	Aerosols	HFCs	T2	D	No/No/No
2.F.5	Solvents	PFCs	T2	D	No/No/No
2.G.1	Electrical equipment	SF_6	T3	D	No/No/No
2.G.2	SF_6 and PFCs from other product use	SF_6	T2	D	No/No/No
2.G.3a	Medical application	N_2O	T1	D	No/No/No
2.G.3b	Propellant for pressure and aerosol products	N_2O	T1	D	No/No/No
2.G.4	Other product use	CO_2, CH_4, N_2O	T2	D/CS/OTH	No/No/No

[1] The methodology used for this category varies over the time series, see Table 4.1.2. T1: Tier 1, T2: Tier 2, T3: Tier 3, PS: Plant specific, CS: Country specific, D: Default, OTH: Other

Table 4.1.2 Overview of implemented methodologies for categories where the methodology varies over the time series.

Process	Years	Available activity data	Available emission factors	Resulting methodology
2.A.1 Cement production	1990-1997	Production of white cement and production of three types of grey clinker.	Plant specific factors for the three individual grey clinker types and for white cement.	Tier 1/PS
	1998-2024	Consumption of raw materials.	Plant specific measured carbonate content of raw materials.	Tier 3/PS
2.A.4.a Ceramics	1990-2005	Estimated $CaCO_3$ eqv. data based on national statistics	Country specific	Tier 2/CS
	2006-2024	Plant specific data on carbonate consumption	Country specific	Tier 3/CS
2.A.4.d Other process uses of carbonates, Flue gas cleaning	1990-2005	Estimated $CaCO_3$ data based on total produced flue gas cleaning residue	Default	Tier 2/D
	2006-2024	Plant specific data on carbonate consumption	Default	Tier 3/D
2.C.1 Iron and steel production	1990-1992, 2005	Extrapolation, interpolation, expert judgement	Expert judgement	Tier 1/CS,D
	1993-2001	Environmental reports	Environmental reports	Tier 2/CS,D

4.1.2 Key categories

A Key Category Analysis (KCA) for the years 1990 and 2024 as well as for the trend has been carried out. The result for the IPPU sector is shown in Table 4.1.3. A detailed KCA is presented in Chapter 1.5 and Annex 1. The calculations are based on national emissions including LULUCF but excluding Greenland and the Faroe Islands.

The analysis is carried out using both Approach 1 and Approach 2 methods. Four categories are identified as key categories in IPPU in this submission, all of which both for level and trend.

Table 4.1.3 Key Category Analysis for Industrial Processes and Product Use.

IPCC			Approach 1			Approach 2		
code	Process	Substance	1990	2024	1990-2024	1990	2024	1990-2024
2.A.1	Cement production	CO_2	Level	Level	Trend			
2.B.2	Nitric acid production	N_2O	Level		Trend	Level		Trend
2.F.1	Refrigeration and air conditioning	HFCs		Level	Trend		Level	Trend

Only source categories identified as key categories are presented in Table 4.1.3, for a full overview of the source categories included in this inventory please refer to Table 4.1.1.

4.1.3 Emission overview

An overview of the most significant sources in 2024 is presented in Table 4.1.4; these four source categories comprise more than 90 % of emissions in CO_2 equivalents (CO_2 eqv.) from IPPU. The table below also gives an indication of the contribution to the total emission of greenhouse gases in 2024 in the IPPU sector.

Table 4.1.4 Overview of the largest sources to greenhouse gas emissions in the IPPU sector in 2024.

Process	IPCC Code	Substance	Emission kt CO_2 eqv.	%*
Cement production	2.A.1	CO_2	869.6	63.5
Refrigeration and air conditioning	2.F.1	HFCs, PFCs	257.2	18.8
Other process uses of carbonates[1]	2.A.4	CO_2	58.9	4.3
Paraffin wax use	2.D.2	CO_2, CH_4, N_2O	51.8	3.8
Total of four largest sources			1238	90.4

*of total CO_2 equivalent emissions from the IPPU sector.
[1]2.A.4 consists of ceramics, other uses of soda ash, flue gas desulphurisation and stone wool production.

For 2024, the subsector Mineral Industry (2.A) constitutes 69 % of the GHG emissions from the IPPU sector and Product Uses as Substitutes for ODS (2.F) constitutes 20 %. Non-Energy Products from Fuels and Solvent Use (2.D), Chemical Industry (2.B) and Other Product Manufacture and Use (2.G) constitute 7 %, 3 % and 2 % respectively, while Metal Industry (2.C) and Electronic Industry (2.E) together constitutes below 0.01 %. The total emission of greenhouse gases (incl. LULUCF, incl. indirect GHG emissions) in Denmark in 2024 is 36.6 Mt CO_2 equivalents of which IPPU contribute with 1.4 Mt CO_2 equivalents (3.7 %). The emissions of GHG from IPPU from 1990-2024 are presented in Figure 4.1.1.

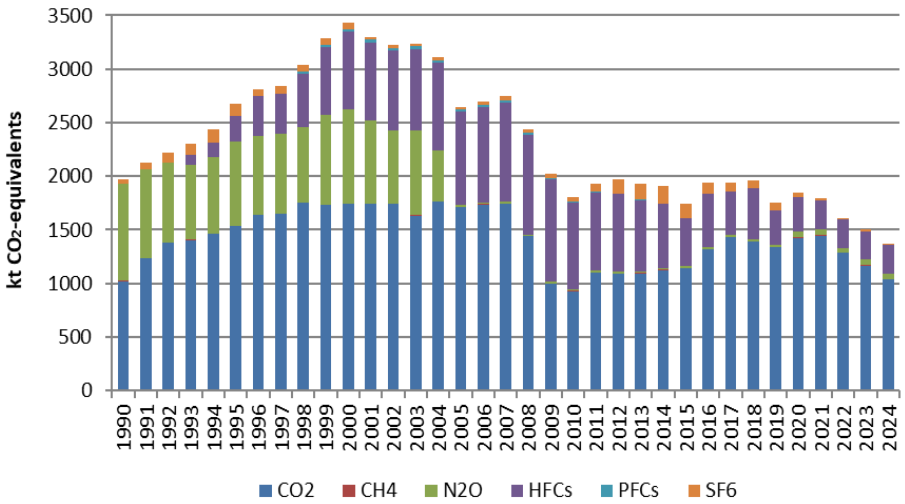


Figure 4.1.1 Emission of greenhouse gases from IPPU (CRT Sector 2).

The majority of CO_2 emissions in the IPPU sector are emitted from the cement production, the small drop in CO_2 emissions in 2003 and the larger decrease in 2008-2010 are caused by a lower production of cement for these years. The production of nitric acid closed down during 2004 causing the N_2O emission to drop drastically; from 680-907 kt CO_2 equivalents in 1990-2003 to 14-20 kt CO_2 equivalents in 2005-2019. The use of HFCs in mainly refrigeration and air conditioning has increased significantly during the time series but is decreasing in recent years. HFC emissions peaked in 2009 with 951 kt CO_2 equivalents but has decreased to 269 kt CO_2 equivalents in 2024.

4.1.4 EU-ETS (EU Emission Trading Scheme)

Guidelines for calculating company specific CO_2 emissions are developed by the EU (EU Commission, 2018). The guidelines present standard methods for minor companies and methods for developing individual plans for major companies. The standard methods include default emission factors similar to the default emission factors presented by IPCC (e.g. for limestone), whereas the major companies have to use individual methods to determine the actual composition of raw materials (e.g. purity of limestone or Ca per tonne ratio in dolomite) or the actual CO_2 emission from the specific process. Where data from the EU-ETS are used more detail is provided on the specific methodologies used in the specific chapter. This is the case in the following categories:

- Cement production
- Lime production
- Glass production
- Ceramics
- Flue gas desulphurisation
- Stone wool production

4.2 Mineral Industry

4.2.1 Source category description

The sector *Mineral Industry* (CRT 2.A) covers the following industries relevant for the Danish air emission inventory:

- 2.A.1 Cement production; see section 4.2.3.
- 2.A.2 Lime production; see section 4.2.4.
- 2.A.3 Glass production; see section 4.2.5.
- 2.A.4.a Ceramics; see section 4.2.6.
- 2.A.4.b Other uses of soda ash; see section 4.2.7.
- 2.A.4.d Flue gas desulphurisation; see section 4.2.8.
- 2.A.4.d Stone wool production; see section 4.2.9.

Cement production is identified as key category according to Approach 1 for level in 1990 and 2024 and for trend; see *Annex 1: Key Category Analyses*.

4.2.2 Emissions

Total greenhouse gas emissions from the Mineral Industry sector are available in the CRT Table 10. The emission time series for the source categories within *Mineral Industry* (2.A) are presented in Figure 4.2.1 and individually in the subsections below (Sections 4.2.3 – 4.2.9). The following figure gives an overview of how much the individual source categories contribute throughout the time series.

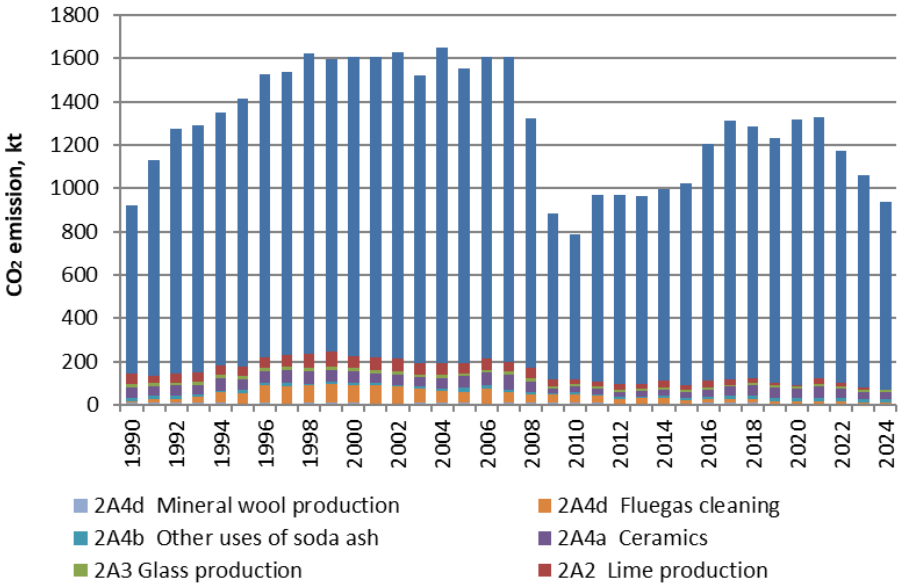


Figure 4.2.1 Emission of CO_2 from the individual source categories compiling *2.A Mineral Industry*, kt.

Greenhouse gas emissions from *Mineral Industry* are made up mostly by CO_2 emissions from the production of cement; min. 84 % (1990) to max. 93 % (2020).

Emissions from *Mineral Industry* increased with 77 % from 1990 to the time series peak in 2002 (2002 emission: 1628 kt CO_2). The overall development in the CO_2 emission for 1990 to 2024 shows an increase from 919 kt CO_2 to 939 kt CO_2, i.e. +2 %.

The increase from 1990 to 1996 is explained by the increase in cement production. The emission factor is almost constant for 1990-1996; 0.53-0.55 t CO_2 per t clinker. The emission factor changes as the distribution between types of cement varies, especially grey/white cement. The emission factor only varies slightly in the time series 1990-2024, 0.51-0.57 t CO_2 per t clinker. The increase in emissions from 2010-2017 is a result of increased production which may be

explained by an increase in the construction activity after the financial crisis in 2008-2010 and hence an increase in cement demand.

4.2.3 Cement production

The production of cement in Denmark is concentrated at one company: Aalborg Portland A/S situated in Aalborg. The following source is covered:

- Cement (decarbonising)

Emissions associated with the fuel combustion in cement kilns are estimated and reported in the energy sector. Only emissions related to the calcination of raw materials fed to cement kilns are reported under category 2.A.

Methodological issues

Process emissions are released from the calcination of raw materials (primarily chalk and sand). The overall process for calcination is:

$$CaCO_3 \rightarrow CaO + CO_2$$

The primary raw materials are chalk, sand and water and the main products are grey cement, white cement and cement clinker for sale.

Aalborg Portland uses a semi-dry process. The first step is production of raw meal. The chalk slurry and the grounded sand are mixed as slurry that is injected into a drier crusher. The raw materials are converted into raw meal that releases carbon dioxide (CO_2) in the calciner.

In a rotary kiln, the material is burned to clinker that afterwards is grounded to cement in the cement mill. During the process, cement kiln dust is recirculated.

The emission of CO_2 depends on the ratio: white/grey cement and the ratio between the three types of clinker used for grey cement: GKL-clinker/FKH-clinker/SKL-RKL-clinker.

For 1990-1997, the ratio white/grey cement and the ratio GKL-clinker/FKH-clinker/SKL-RKL-clinker is known. The fraction of white cement in relation to total cement production peaked in 1990 (25 %) and decreased thereafter. The production of SKL/RKL-clinker peaks in 1991 (25 % of total grey clinker production) and decreases hereafter. FKH-clinker is introduced in 1992 and increases to a share of 35 % of total grey clinker production in 1997. The CO_2 emission is calculated according to the following equation:

$$M_{CO_2} = M_{grey} * \frac{M_{GLK} * EF_{GLK} + M_{FKH} * EF_{FKH} + M_{SKL/RKL} * EF_{SKL/RKL}}{M_{GLK} + M_{FKH} + M_{SKL/RKL}} + M_{white} * EF_{white}$$

(Eq. 4.2.1)

M_{grey}	Grey cement	t
M_{white}	White cement	t
M_{GLK}	GKL clinker (rapid cement)	t
M_{FKH}	FKH clinker (basis cement)	t
$M_{SKL/RKL}$	SKL/RKL clinker (low alkali cement)	t
EF_{white}	CO_2 emission factor	t/t white cement
EF_{GLK}	CO_2 emission factor	t/t GLK clinker
EF_{FKH}	CO_2 emission factor	t/t FKH clinker
$EF_{SKL/RKL}$	CO_2 emission factor	t/t SKL/RKL clinker

The company has stated that data until 1997 cannot be improved as there is no further information available (Aalborg Portland, 2005). Data for white cement is therefore used as an estimate for white clinker making the methodology used for the years 1990-1997 a Tier 1.

From 1998-2005, the carbonate content of the raw materials has been determined by loss on ignition methodology. Determination of loss on ignition takes into account all the potential raw materials leading to release of CO_2 based on full oxidation and omits the Ca-sources leading to generation of CaO in cement clinker without CO_2 release. The applied methodology is in accordance with EU guidelines on calculation of CO_2 emissions (Aalborg Portland, 2008). Clinker data are available.

From the year 2006, the CO_2 emission determined by Aalborg Portland, independently verified and reported under the EU-ETS (EU Emission Trading Scheme) is used in the inventory (Aalborg Portland, 2025a). The reporting to EU-ETS also provides detailed information of alternative fuels used in the production of clinker and the amount of clinker produced.

EU-ETS data for cement production

Cement production applies the Tier 3 methodology for calculating the CO_2 emission for 1998-2024.

The implied CO_2 emission factor for Aalborg Portland is plant specific and based on the reporting to the EU-ETS. The EU-ETS data have been applied for the years 2006-2024.

The CO_2 emission for cement production is based on measurements of the consumption of calcium carbonate to the calcination process. These measurements fulfil a Tier 3 methodology (± 1.6 %) as defined in the EU decision (EU Commission, 2018). The emission factor is based on continuous measurements with flow meters, density meters, X-ray and CaO analysis. (Aalborg Portland, 2022).

Activity data

Activity data for cement (measured in total cement equivalents (TCE)) and clinker production are presented in Table 4.2.1 and Annex Table 3C-1.1. Emissions are based on clinker production alone; cement production data are used for verification.

Table 4.2.1 Production statistics for cement and clinker production, kt (Aalborg Portland, 2008, 2013, 2020, 2025a, b).

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2020	2022	2023	2024
kt TCE	1620	2274	2613	2706	1454	1902	2444	2482	1998	1968
kt clinker[1]	1406	2353	2452	2521	1314	1715	2240	2016	1863	1637

[1] 1990-1997: Clinker production is estimated as grey clinker plus white cement (Aalborg Portland, 2008).

Cement data are generally higher than clinker data, except for 1995 and 1996.

Emission factors

The calculated implied emission factors (IEF) for cement and clinker production are presented in Table 4.2.2 and Annex Table 3C-1.2.

Table 4.2.2 Implied emission factors for CO_2 for cement production.

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2020	2022	2023	2024
IEF t CO_2 per t TCE	0.478	0.546	0.530	0.504	0.462	0.490	0.502	0.433	0.491	0.442
IEF t CO_2 per t clinker	0.551	0.528	0.565	0.541	0.512	0.543	0.548	0.532	0.527	0.531

1990-1997: IEF based on information provided by Aalborg Portland (2005).

1998-2005: IEF based on information provided by Aalborg Portland (2008).

2005-2024: IEF based on emissions reported to EU-ETS (Aalborg Portland, 2024a).

1998-2024: IEF based on clinker production statistics provided by Aalborg Portland (2013, 2020, 2025a, b).

The IEF for CO_2 from the calcination process is expressed per tonne of cement or clinker and depends on the actual input of chalk/limestone in the process. The IEF will therefore vary as the allocation of different cement/clinker types produced varies. A higher share of white cement will lead to a higher implied emission factor, as white cement production has the highest emission factor; see Table 4.2.3. The share of white cement decreases through the early part of the 1990s causing the emission per clinker to decrease as well. In 1990, 25 % of all cement produced was white cement; in 1991-1997 that same share fluctuates around 22 % (20.1-24.8 %).

Table 4.2.3 Emission factors used for 1990-1997 (Aalborg Portland, 2008).

Product	Value	Unit
White cement	0.669	t CO_2/t white cement
GLK clinker	0.477	t CO_2/t GLK grey clinker
FKH clinker	0.459	t CO_2/t FKH grey clinker
SKL/RKL clinker	0.610	t CO_2/t SKL/RKL grey clinker

For the entire time series, the emission factor (carbon content) has been estimated from the loss on ignition determined for the different kinds of clinkers produced (1990-1997) or different raw materials used (since 1998). Determination of loss on ignition estimates the CO_2 emissions based on full oxidation of all carbonate materials and omits the Ca sources leading to generation of CaO in cement clinker without CO_2 release. As a result, there is no need to consider uncalcined cement kiln dust (CKD) not recycled to the kiln.

The company reporting to the EU-ETS applies the following emission factors for the most important raw materials used in 2023, similar data are available back to 2006 (Aalborg Portland 2025a) and to a less detailed degree back to 1998 (Aalborg Portland, 2020).

Table 4.2.4 Emission factors for some of the raw materials used in 2024 (Aalborg Portland, 2025a).

Raw material	t CO_2 per t raw material
Limestone	0.44
Magnesium carbonate	0.52
Sand	0.01-0.03
Fly ash	0.06
Troldtekt	0.49
Kaolin	0.003
Oxiton	0.03

The emission factors for carbonates are in accordance with the stoichiometric factors and the emission factors for the remaining raw materials and CKD are determined by individual analysis.

Emission trends

The emission trend for the CO_2 emission from cement production is available in Annex Table 3C-1.3 and is also presented in Figure 4.2.2 below.

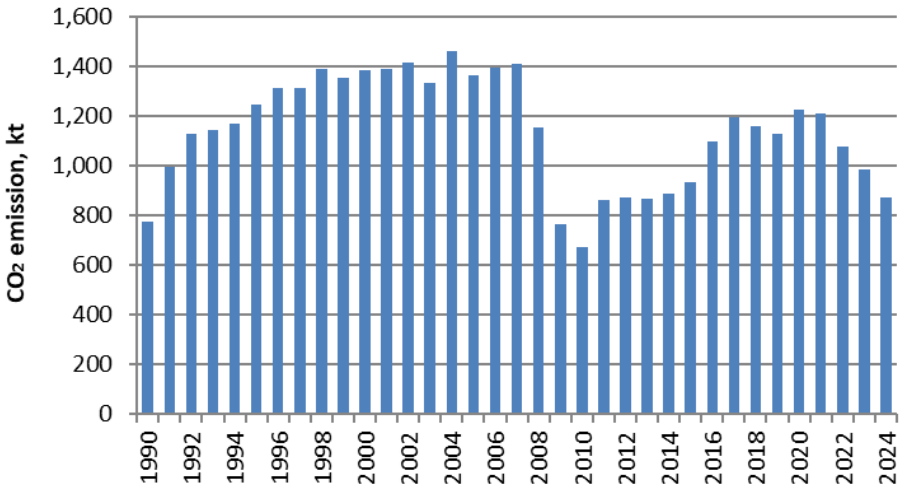


Figure 4.2.2 Emission of CO_2 from cement production.

The increase in CO_2 emission from the production of cement from 1990 to 1996 is explained by the increase in annual cement production. The most significant change to occur in the time series is the significant decline in emission from 2007-2010, the decrease is due to reduced production resulting from the economic recession caused by the global financial crisis. The emissions increased by 63 % in 2010-2016. While emissions have been rather constant in 2016-2022, they were still below the pre-recession levels and recent years show further decrease. The overall development in the CO_2 emission from 1990 to 2024 is an increase from 775 to 870 kt CO_2, i.e. 12 %. The maximum emission occurred in 2004 and constituted 1459 kt CO_2.

Time series consistency and completeness

Since Denmark only has one cement factory, all data collected from the production are in fact plant specific data. The inventory on cement production is complete in accordance with the IPCC (2006).

For 1990-1997, activity data for grey cement production fulfil the Tier 2 methodology while activity data for white cement (20-25 % of mass produced) fulfil the Tier 1 methodology (IPCC, 2006). The company has informed that data until 1997 cannot be improved as there is no further information available. Since 1998, the determination of activity data for cement production has met the requirements of the Tier 3 methodology.

Emission factors have been determined by analyses using loss on ignition for the entire time series, which fulfil the requirements of the Tier 3 methodology. The loss on ignition method consists of strongly heating a sample of the material to a specified temperature, allowing volatile substances to escape, until its mass ceases to change. In this case, until all carbon in the raw material has been oxidised to CO_2.

Due to extensive verification, the methodology is believed to be consistent. For the various verifications performed, please refer to the IPPU sector report Hjelgaard (2023).

The inventory on cement production is considered complete in accordance with IPCC (2006) as the sole producer of cement in Denmark is fully included.

4.2.4 Lime production

The production of limestone ($CaCO_3$) is located at a few localities: Faxe Kalk (Lhoist group) situated in Faxe, Scandinavian Calcium Oxide ApS situated in Støvring, Dankalk A/S situated in Løgstør with limestone quarries/lime-works in Aggersund, Mjels, Poulstrup and Batum.

The only Danish producer of and lime (also called burned lime or quicklime) (CaO) is Faxe Kalk (closed down in 2023). In addition to the marketed lime production, there is lime production related to production of sugar. Sugar production is concentrated at one company: Nordic Sugar (previously Danisco Sugar A/S) located in Assens (closed since 2007), Nakskov and Nykøbing Falster. This lime is produced and consumed by the sugar industry and is therefore called un-marketed lime.

The following source is covered:

- Lime (decarbonising)

Emissions associated with the fuel use are estimated and reported in the energy sector.

Methodological issues

Calculation of CO_2 emissions from oxidation of carbonates follows the general process:

$$CaCO_3 + heat \rightarrow CaO + CO_2$$

The emission of CO_2 results from heating of the carbonates in the lime-kiln. The lime-kilns can be located either at the location for limestone extraction, as is the case for marketed lime in Denmark or at the location for use of burned lime, as is the case for un-marketed lime in Denmark.

The CO_2 emission from the production of marketed burnt lime is known since 2006 from the EU-ETS (Faxe Kalk, 2025) data and has been estimated from the annual production figures for the years 1990-2005. Produced amounts of lime are reported by the company for 1995, 1998-2023. Production data for 1996-1997 are interpolated and 1990-1994 are estimated using sales statistics from Statistics Denmark as surrogate data. When CO_2 emissions are estimated from production data, this is done by applying a country specific implied emission factor.

All data applied for marketed lime are plant specific, point source data for Faxe Kalk.

Since 2006, process CO_2 emissions from Faxe Kalk have been calculated by the company and reported to EU-ETS and since 2008, Faxe Kalk have measured and included the content of CO_3 in the process emissions. For the sake of consistency, the same method has been applied for the entire time series, i.e. correcting for impurities by assuming the same $CaCO_3/MgCO_3$ ratio as the measured average from Faxe Kalk in 2008-2012 (Faxe Kalk, 2020). By this, Denmark applies a country specific emission factor and Tier 2 methodology according to IPCC (2006).

Limestone consumption data for production of sugar are available from the company's environmental reports (Nordic Sugar, 2025; Nordic Sugar Nykøbing, 2010; Nordic Sugar Nakskov, 2012; Danisco Sugar Assens, 2007) back to 1996 and sugar commodity statistics ("sale of own goods") are available from Statistics Denmark (2025) for the entire time series. The commodity statistics are assumed to be equivalent to the production activity. Limestone consumption data are used when available and national statistics on sugar production are used as surrogate data for the remaining years (1990-1995). Raw material consumption data are for 1996-2006 only given in amount of limestone, these data are calculated into amount of burnt lime (CaO) equivalents using the stoichiometric relation between $CaCO_3$/CaO and the 2007-2013 average measured $CaCO_3$ content in limestone of 11.62 % (Nordic Sugar Nakskov, 2012 and Nordic Sugar, 2025).

The applied emission factor is based on EU-ETS data (Tier 3) and thereby assumes 100 % calcination. There is therefore no carbonate left to become lime kiln dust (LKD).

EU-ETS data for lime production

The applied methodology for Faxe Kalk is specified in the individual monitoring plan that is approved by the Danish competent authority, which is the Danish Energy Agency (DEA) prior to the reporting of the emissions. Lime production applies the Tier 2 methodology for the activity data (uncertainty ± 1.0 %) and Tier 3 for the emission factor.

The implied CO_2 emission factor for Faxe Kalk is plant specific and based on the reporting to the EU Emission Trading Scheme (EU-ETS). The EU-ETS data have been applied for the years since 2006.

The CO_2 emission for lime production is based on sales (± 1.0 %) and measurements of the CaO and MgO contents in the product (annual averages of weekly measurements) (Faxe Kalk, 2020).

Activity data

Production data are available from Faxe Kalk (years 1990-1994 and 1996-1997 are estimated) and the three sugar factories (years 1990-1998 are estimated). The production data for burnt lime are presented in Table 4.2.5 and Annex Table 3C-1.4.

Table 4.2.5 Production of burnt lime, kt.

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2020	2022	2023	2024
From Faxe Kalk[1]	58.8	46.3	62.5	57.3	25.6	30.1	11.7	22.2	9.4	-
From sugar production	5.8	5.1	5.8	4.7	2.0	0.7	1.4	2.1	1.5	1.4
Total lime production	64.7	51.4	68.3	62.0	27.6	30.8	13.1	24.3	11.0	1.4

[1] Faxe Kalk (2013 and 2025).

Emission factors

The country specific emission factor that is applied for calcination of both marketed and non-marketed calcium carbonate is based on measurements from Faxe Kalk in 2008-2012. The emission factor applied is 0.788 kg CO_2 per kg CaO (Faxe Kalk, 2025) and includes a small impurity of MgO. It is assumed that the degree of calcination is 100 % and that no lime kiln dust (LKD) emits from the process.

The actual reported emissions are used for Faxe Kalk in 2008-2023. This means that the implied emission factor for marketed lime production will vary as the

measured emission factor for Faxe Kalk fluctuates, the implied emission factor is between 0.752 kg CO_2 per kg CaO (2021) and 0.796 kg CO_2 per kg CaO (2018). For un-marketed lime and for Faxe Kalk 1990-2007, the country specific implied emission factor of 0.788 kg CO_2 per kg CaO is applied.

This method causes fluctuations in the implied emission factor for the years 2008-2023, but not for 1990-2007 and 2024.

Table 4.2.6 Implied emission factors for Danish lime production

	1990-2007	2008-2023	2024
Faxe Kalk	0.788	0.752-0.796	NO
Un-marketed lime	0.788	0.788	0.788
Total	0.788	0.753-0.796	0.788

NO: Not Occurring

Emission trends

The trend for the CO_2 emission from lime production, including sugar production; is available in Annex Table 3C-1.5 and Figure 4.2.3.

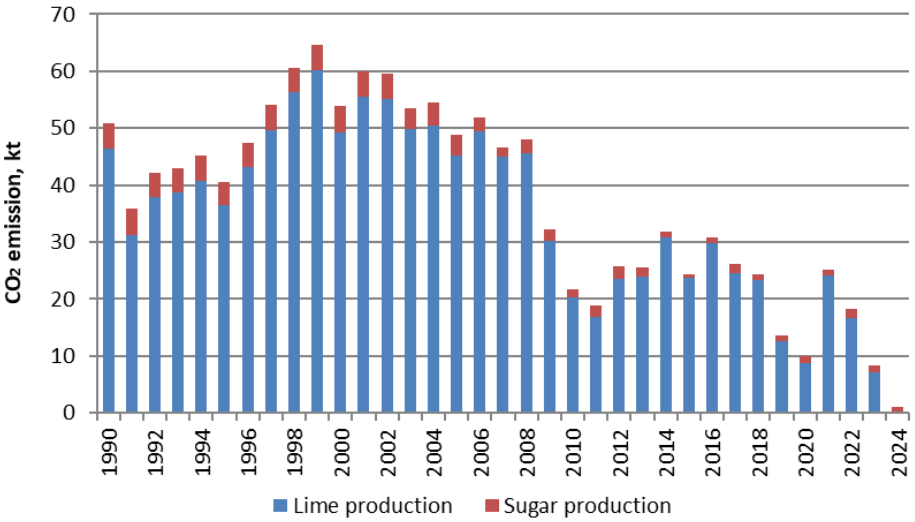


Figure 4.2.3 Emission of CO_2 from lime production.

The emission from lime production in the sugar industry comprises 2 % (2015) to 15 % (2023) of the total CO_2 emission from lime production in 1990-2023 and 100 % in 2024.

Time series consistency and completeness

The chosen methodology, activity data and emission factor for calculation of CO_2 emissions from marketed lime are consistent throughout the time series.

Although the activity data for lime production are based on actual carbonate consumption from the mid-1990es onward and on estimated consumptions for the first few years of the time series, the methodology and applied emission factor are both considered to be consistent.

With regards to completeness concerning production of other lime products than burnt lime, dolomitic lime/dolomite ($CaMg(CO_3)_2$) is not produced in Denmark and the production of hydrated lime (slaked lime) from burnt lime does not lead to any emissions. All burnt lime that is later slaked is included

in the statistical data on which the calculations are based, and adding the production of slaked lime to the activity data would therefore result in double counting.

Other industries that typically use lime as an intermediate product are e.g. chemical industries, metal industries and productions where lime consumption for emissions abatement is large enough to make internal lime production profitable. These have been investigated with respect to completing this source, but nothing was found. Regarding industries producing lime as intermediate products only one was identified (i.e. Nordic Sugar). Denmark has virtually no chemical or metal industry, so the need for lime in the Danish industry is non-existing with the exception of the sources listed, and the sector must therefore be complete.

For verification, please refer to Hjelgaard (2023).

4.2.5 Glass production

Glass production in Denmark includes production of:

- Container glass
- Industrial art glass
- Glass wool

The production of container glass for packaging is concentrated at one company; Ardagh Glass Holmegaard A/S (previously Rexam Glass Holmegaard A/S), and the production of art industrial glass products is concentrated at Holmegaard A/S, both situated in Fensmark, Næstved. Saint-Gobain Isover situated in Vamdrup is the only Danish producer of glass wool. The following source is covered:

- Glass (decarbonising)

Emissions associated with the fuel use are estimated and reported in the energy sector.

Methodological issues

For the production of both container glass, art glass and glass wool, the main raw materials are soda ash (Na_2CO_3), dolomite ($CaMg(CO_3)_2$), limestone ($CaCO_3$) and recycled glass (cullets). Emissions are calculated for each carbonate raw material individually.

CO_2 emissions are estimated from the calcination of carbonate compounds and are based on stoichiometry or measurements. The calculations are done for each carbonate raw material individually.

Only one industrial art glass producer with virgin glass production exists in Denmark; Holmegaard A/S. Emissions from this production is included in the data on container glass.

EU-ETS data for glass production

The applied methodologies for Ardagh Glass Holmegaard and Saint-Gobain Isover are specified in the individual monitoring plan that is approved by the Danish competent authority, which is the Danish Energy Agency (DEA) prior to the reporting of the emissions.

Glass production applies the Tier 3 for both methodology and emission factors as the calculations are based on individual carbonates used as raw materials.

The CO_2 emission from container glass production is based on consumption of carbonate raw materials (based on invoices and corrected for changes in inventory by measures on the storage silos; Tier 2: 1.10-1.37 % depending on the silo) and standard emission factors except for dolomite where Ca/Mg analysis are performed for each new batch (Ardagh, 2020).

The CO_2 emission from glass wool production is based on weight measures of carbonate raw materials (Tier 1: ±2.5 %) and standard emission factors (Saint-Gobain Isover, 2020).

Activity data

The activity data for container/art glass production are presented in Table 4.2.7 and Annex Table 3C-1.6. Information on consumption of carbon containing raw materials in container- and art glass production is available from the environmental reports for 1997-2013 (Ardagh, 2014) and from EU-ETS since 2006 (Ardagh, 2025) (confidential). For the years prior to 1997, the production data for glass are based on information contained in Illerup et al. (1999).

The annual produced amount of container glass is estimated based on the consumption of raw materials.

Table 4.2.7 Production of container/art glass, activity data, kt.

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2020	2022	2023	2024
Production of glass[1, 2]	164.0	140.0	183.3	168.2	172.9	155.7	140.4	156.7	125.0	135.6
Consumption of soda ash[3, 4]	17.8	15.2	16.4	13.0	c	c	c	c	c	c
Consumption of limestone[3,4]	14.4	12.3	7.7	5.7	c	c	c	c	c	c
Consumption of dolomite[3,4]	1.0	0.8	9.1	6.1	c	c	c	c	c	c

[1] 1990-1997: Illerup et al. (1999).
[2] 1998-2016: Estimated based on Illerup et al. (1999) and consumption of raw materials.
[3] 1990-1996: Estimated based on Illerup et al. (1999) and the consumption of raw materials in 1997.
[4] 1997 onward: Environmental reports and EU-ETS data; Ardagh (2014, 2025).
c Confidential: data from EU-ETS (Ardagh, 2025).

The activity data for glass wool production are presented in Table 4.2.8 and Annex Table 3C-1.7. Information on produced amount of glass wool and consumption of carbon containing raw materials in glass wool production is available from the environmental reports for 1996-2014 (Saint-Gobain Isover, 2015) and EU-ETS since 2006 (Saint-Gobain Isover, 2025) (confidential). For the years prior to 1996 the production of glass wool and consumption of carbonates are estimated.

Table 4.2.8 Production of glass wool, activity data, kt.

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2020	2022	2023	2024
Production of glass wool[1]	35.6	35.6	39.7	37.3	24.9	33.0	42.1	46.6	39.8	44.4
Consumption of soda ash[2, 4]	3.6	3.6	3.0	3.6	c	c	c	c	c	c
Consumption of limestone[2, 4]	0.8	0.8	0.2	0.6	c	c	c	c	c	c
Consumption of dolomite[3]	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	c	c	c	c	c	c

[1] 1990-1996: Estimated: Assumed constant on the average production from 1997-1999.
[2] 1990-1995: Estimated: Assumed constant on the average consumption from 1996-1998.
[3] 1990-2005: Estimated: Assumed constant on the average consumption from 2006-2008.
[4] 1996-2005: Environmental reports (Saint-Gobain Isover, 2015).
c Confidential: data from EU-ETS (Saint-Gobain Isover, 2025).

Both the container glass and glass wool production display a significant decrease from 2008 to 2010 that can be explained by the global financial crisis.

Emission factors

The CO_2 emission factors from using soda ash and other carbonate containing raw materials in production of virgin glass and glass wool, based on stoichiometric relationships, are:

- 0.4150 t CO_2/t Na_2CO_3
- 0.4397 t CO_2/t $CaCO_3$
- 0.465-0.478 t CO_2/t $CaMg(CO_3)_2$
- 0.522 t CO_2 /t $MgCO_3$

The emission factor for dolomite is 0.478 tonnes CO_2 per tonne for glass wool production and 0.476 tonnes CO_2 per tonne for container/art glass production in 2024. The average emission factor for dolomite in container glass production is 0.478 tonnes CO_2 per tonne dolomite for 2013-2024. The calcination of all carbonates in all years is assumed to be complete, i.e. a calcination fraction equal to 1, in line with the 2006 IPCC guidelines.

From 2006 onward, the CO_2 emissions are calculated by the companies and reported under EU-ETS (Ardagh, 2025; Saint-Gobain Isover, 2025), but the applied emission factors remain the same for the entire time series. Only the emission factor for dolomite varies as the specific quality is measured in the recent years.

Emission trends

For the years from 2006 onwards, information on the CO_2 emission is available in the company's reports under the EU-ETS (Ardagh, 2025; Saint-Gobain Isover, 2025). However, this information is confidential and data since 2006 can therefore only be presented as total emitted CO_2.

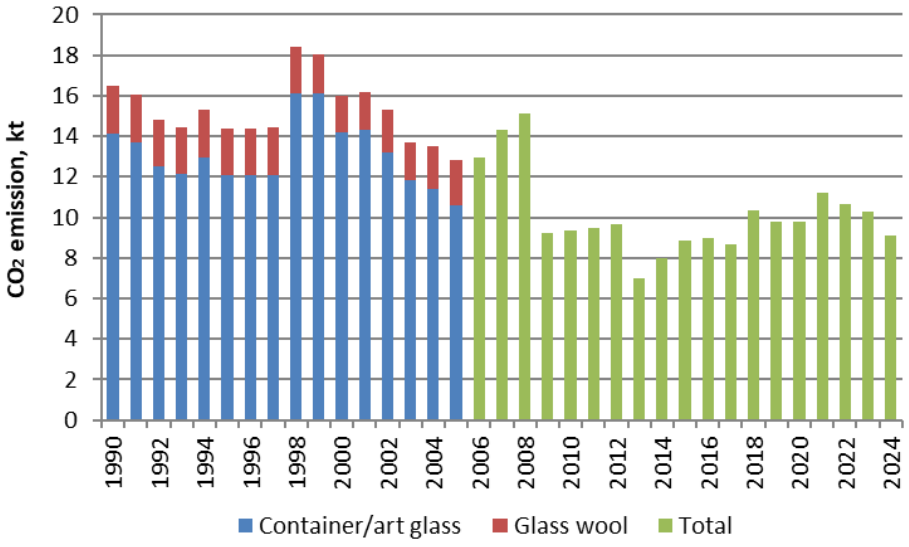


Figure 4.2.4 CO_2 emissions from glass and glass wool production.

In the CRT tables, CO and NMVOC emissions from glass wool production are reported under 2.A.4 Other process uses of carbonates, because it is not possible to report these emissions under 2.A.3 Glass production. All greenhouse gasses for glass- and glass wool productions are reported under 2.A.3.

Time series consistency and completeness

CO_2 emissions from container/art glass and glass wool production are calculated based on consumption of carbonates and stoichiometric emission factors for the entire time series, the time series is therefore consistent.

In relation to completeness, the production of flat glass does not occur in Denmark. The processes in Denmark are limited to mounting of sealed glazing units. The mounting process does not contribute to greenhouse gas emissions in Denmark.

Efforts have been made to ensure that all glass producers are included in the inventory. Smaller facilities producing art glass do exist in Denmark, but none of these were found to produce their own virgin glass. The source category of glass production is therefore considered to be complete.

For verification, please refer to Hjelgaard (2023).

4.2.6 Ceramics

This section covers production of bricks/tiles (aggregates or bricks/blocks for construction) and expanded clay products for different purposes (aggregates as absorbent for chemicals, cat litter, and for other miscellaneous purposes). The following sources are covered:

- Production of bricks
- Production of expanded clay products

The production of bricks (including tiles) is found all over the country, where clay is available. Producers of expanded clay products are located in the northern part of Jutland.

Emissions associated with the fuel use are estimated and reported in the energy sector.

Methodological issues

Emission of CO_2 is related to the content of carbon content in the raw materials. The emission estimation is based on the total carbon content of the raw material. Since 2006, the producers of ceramics have measured and reported process carbon consumption and CO_2 emissions to EU-ETS and production statistics are known from Statistics Denmark (2025) for the entire time series. From these two datasets, implied emission factors (i.e. tonne $CaCO_3$ per tonne product) are calculated for 2006-2013 and emissions are calculated for the years back to 1990.

EU-ETS CO_2 emission data from LECA includes carbonates in the clay raw material from 2013 onwards. To increase time series consistency, the $CaCO_3$ equivalent contribution from clay is estimated and included for 1990-2012.

EU-ETS data for ceramics

The applied methodologies for brickworks and expanded clay producers are specified in the individual monitoring plans that are approved by the Danish competent authority, which is the Danish Energy Agency (DEA) prior to the reporting of the emissions. The production of ceramics applies the ETS Tier 2 methodology for calculating the CO_2 emission.

The CO_2 emission for ceramics production at brickworks is based on measured carbonate content in all raw materials and consumption of the individual carbonate containing raw materials (Tier 2; ± 5.0 %). For carbonates used at LECA is applied a Tier 3-4 (± 0.5-1 %) and at Imerys is applied a Tier 1 (± 7.5 %). The implied CO_2 emission factors for the production facilities are based on stoichiometry and 100 % calcination is assumed.

Activity data

National statistics on production of bricks, tiles and expanded clay (together called ceramics) contain a broad range of different products, most of them in units of numbers (no.). The consumption of limestone is therefore used as alternative activity data for these source categories; available for 2006-2024 (EU-ETS data). The national production statistics for ceramics are used as surrogate data; available for 1985-2024.

Data on consumption of lime and produced amounts of ceramics are presented in Table 4.2.9 and Annex Table 3C-1.8.

Table 4.2.9 Statistics for production of bricks/tiles and expanded clay products.

		1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2020	2022	2023	2024
Bricks and tiles											
Produced[1]	million pieces	315.2	385.6	436.3	426.5	223.0	226.7	311.9	360.2	260.9	260.9
Consumed lime[2]	kt $CaCO_3$	58.6	71.7	81.1	79.2	35.1	46.2	61.1	51.7	45.6	31.2
Expanded clay products											
Produced[1]	kt	331.8	340.9	316.2	310.9	157.4	155.0	247.6	217.3	131.0	160.2
Consumed lime[2]	kt $CaCO_3$ eqv.	46.2	47.5	44.0	43.3	19.1	19.5	37.5	41.0	32.9	48.3

[1] Statistics Denmark (2025).

[2] 1990-2005: Calculated from production data and the average implied emission factor for 2006-2013.

Both the brickworks and expanded clay productions displays a significant decrease from 2007 to 2009 that can be explained by the global financial crises. The decreases correspond to 59 % and 78 % respectively for brickworks and expanded clay production. The number of brickworks has been decreasing; in 2006 19 brickworks reported to EU-ETS, by 2014 this number had decreased to 13. Two brickworks closed down in 2008, further two in 2009, another two in 2013, one in 2021 and one in 2023. There are still 11 brickworks reporting emissions for 2024.

Emission factors

The CO_2 emission factor for calcination of limestone is 0.4397 kg per kg $CaCO_3$ based on stoichiometry. The calcination factor is assumed to be 100 % for all years and all producers.

Since 2006, CO_2 emissions are reported by the brickworks to EU-ETS (confidential reports). The reported emissions are calculated from measured lime contents of the raw materials and the stoichiometric emission factor 0.4397 kg CO_2 per kg $CaCO_3$.

Producers of expanded clay products also report CO_2 emissions to EU-ETS for the years since 2006 (Imerys, 2025; LECA, 2025). The reported emissions are calculated from the difference in C contents measured in the raw materials and products and the stoichiometric emission factor 3.664 kg CO_2 per kg C. The reported emissions are recalculated to match the activity data for brickworks ($CaCO_3$ equivalents) using the stoichiometric factors.

Emission trends

The emission trends for the CO_2 emission from production of bricks/tiles and expanded clay products are available in Annex Table 3C-1.9 but is also presented in Figure 4.2.5.

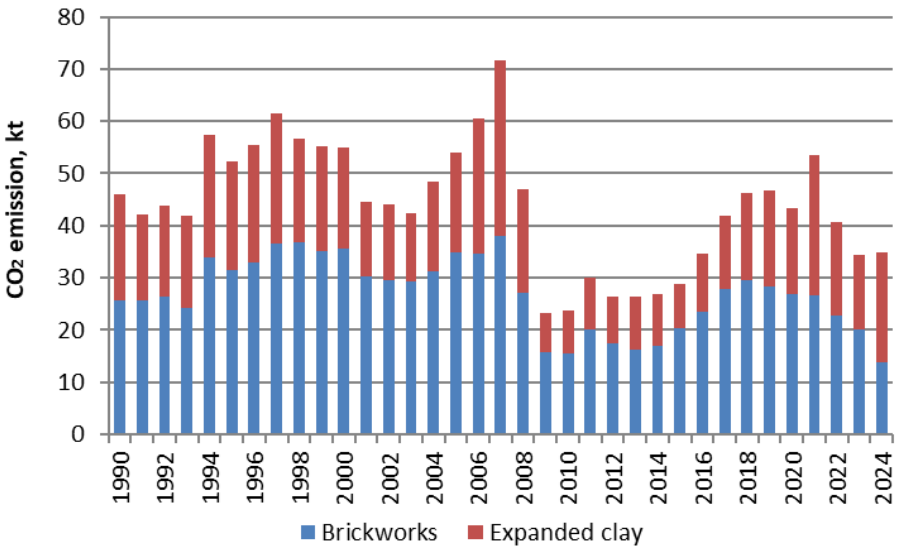


Figure 4.2.5 CO_2 emissions from the production of ceramics.

Emissions from this source category are very dependent on new houses being built as well as old ones being renovated. The significant decline in emissions from 2007-2009 was caused by a reduced production resulting from the economic recession caused by the global financial crisis.

However, there is also a clear trend of production of bricks and tiles moving out of Denmark. Many brickworks have closed down over recent years, and production has not increased at the remaining sites.

Time series consistency and completeness

Emissions from 2006 onwards are known from the EU-ETS reports and emissions for 1990-2005 are estimated. However, due to the various performed verifications (Hjelgaard 2023), the ceramics source category is considered consistent.

The inventory is based on companies reporting to EU-ETS and national sales statistics, but clay is also burned in minor scale e.g. ceramic art workshops and school art classes. These miniscule sources are however negligible, and the source category of ceramics is considered complete.

4.2.7 Other uses of soda ash

This section covers the use of soda ash not related to glass production. The following source is covered:

- Other uses of soda ash

Methodological issues

Emissions from other uses of soda ash (Na_2CO_3) are calculated based on national statistics on import/export (subtracted the amount used in the glass industry) and the stoichiometric emission factor. No information is available on the end uses of soda ash and therefore all use is considered emissive. There is no production of soda ash in Denmark.

Activity data

National statistics on import and export and the calculated activity data (supply) are presented in Table 4.2.10 and Annex Table 3C-1.10.

Table 4.2.10 Statistics for other uses of soda ash, kt.

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2020	2022	2023	2024
Import	54.6	47.6	42.0	59.5	36.5	26.3	49.4	49.8	49.5	40.6
Export	0.09	2.13	0.31	0.01	0.06	0.07	0.22	0.61	0.70	0.51
Glass production	21.4	18.8	19.4	16.6	10.7	8.6	9.8	11.3	10.9	9.7
Supply	33.2	26.7	22.3	42.9	25.7	17.6	39.4	37.9	37.9	30.4

Emission factors

The applied emission factor for other uses of soda ash is 414.92 kg CO_2 per tonne Na_2CO_3, based on the stoichiometry of the chemical conversion. The calculation assumes a calcination factor of 100 %.

Emission trends

The emission trend for the CO_2 emission from *Other uses of soda ash* is available in Figure 4.2.6 and Annex Table 3C-1.11.

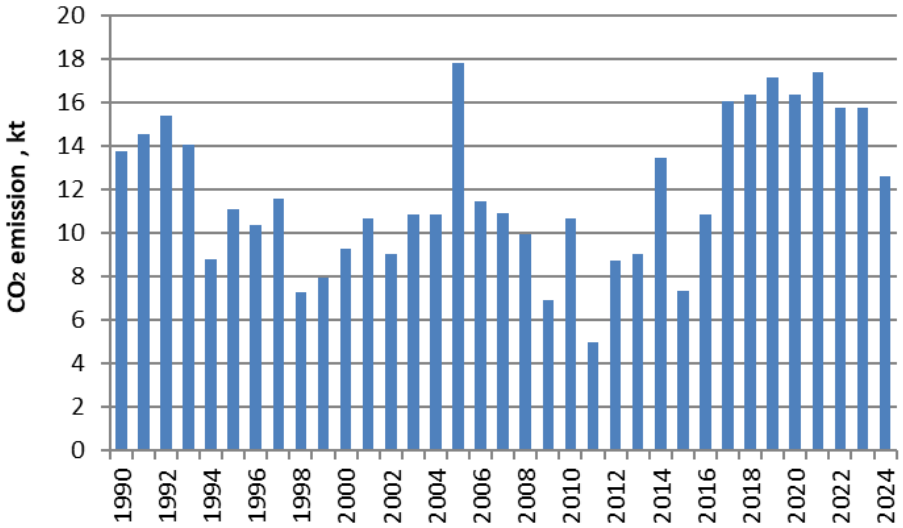


Figure 4.2.6 CO_2 emissions from other uses of soda ash.

Information on the uses of soda ash outside the glass industry is scarce, and explanations of the trend are therefore not available.

Time series consistency and completeness

The same methodology is used for calculating emissions for the entire time series, the time series of emissions from other uses of soda ash are therefore consistent. Calculations are based on national import/export statistics and are therefore also complete as there is no production of soda ash in Denmark.

There is no information available on how the soda ash in this source category is used, and there is therefore no way of knowing if the use is emissive.

For verification, please refer to Hjelgaard (2023).

4.2.8 Flue gas desulphurisation

Flue gas cleaning systems utilising different technologies are primarily installed at large combustion plants i.e. combined heat and power plants as well as waste incineration plants. The following source is covered:

- Limestone and dolomite use - Flue gas cleaning, wet, power plants and waste incineration plants

Methodological issues

The emission of CO_2 from wet flue gas desulphurisation can be calculated from the following equation:

$$SO_2\ (g) + ½O_2\ (g) + CaCO_3\ (s) + 2H_2O\ (l) \rightarrow CaSO_4{,}2H_2O\ (s) + CO_2\ (g)$$

The consumed amount of limestone ($CaCO_3$) is used as activity data. Information on limestone consumption at the relevant power plants and waste incineration plants is available from EU-ETS for 2006 onward and used in the calculation of CO_2 emission from flue gas cleaning.

The stoichiometric emission factor for gypsum ($CaSO_4{,}2H_2O$) and data on the generation of gypsum are used in the inventory when information on calcium carbonate consumption by power plants and waste incineration plants is not available (i.e. 1990-2005).

Energinet.dk compile environmental information related to energy transformation and distribution. Since the waste incineration plants with desulphurisation are all power producers, these plants are also included in the data from Energinet.dk (2020). Statistics on the generation of gypsum are available from Energinet.dk (2020) for 1990-2017.

The consumption of other carbonates than limestone (e.g. TASP[1]) is measured by the individual power plants and is added to the limestone consumption in $CaCO_3$ equivalents.

The number of waste incineration plants reporting CO_2 emissions based on measurements are increasing. This results in a decreasing number of facilities reporting flue gas cleaning related emissions to the IPPU sector. Since measured emissions cannot be separated into energy- and process related emissions, process emissions are in these instances reported under energy.

EU-ETS data for flue gas desulphurisation

The applied methodologies for flue gas desulphurisation are specified in the individual monitoring plans that are approved by the Danish competent authority, which is the Danish Energy Agency (DEA) prior to the reporting of the emissions. The flue gas desulphurisation at the remaining coal fired CHP plants applies the Tier 1 and Tier 4 methodology, respectively, for calculating the CO_2 emission. Both methodologies are based on weighing the trucks delivering the carbonates. Tier 1 applies standard emission factors (Tier 1) and the obtained uncertainty is ±0.1 %. Tier 4 methodology applies emission factors derived by analysis (Tier 3) and the obtained uncertainty is ±0.04 %.

The CO_2 emission for flue gas desulphurisation at waste incineration plants is based on measured lime consumption, Tier 1 and Tier 4 (± 2.0 % to ± 7.5 %).

Since 2012, eight of the 11 waste incineration plants operating wet flue gas cleaning, have applied a reporting method based on measurements. This means that these plants now estimate the total emissions (process and energy

[1] "Tørt AfSvovlingsProdukt" (Dry desulphurisation product), the by-product from dry flue gas desulphurisation processes.

related as one), and that process emissions from these plants are therefore reported under the energy sector.

Activity data

During the time series, this source has increased due to more plants being fitted with desulphurisation (1990-1999). However, since the main use is in coal-fired plants, flue gas desulphurisation is decreasing as some of the coal-fired power plants are rebuilt to combust biomass and the need for flue gas desulphurisation ceases. Since 2006, seven of the nine coal fired power plants have changed to alternative fuels and desulphurisation has ceased from these plants.

The Danish waste incineration plants are in general smaller than the coal combustion facilities and owned by smaller companies. Of the approximately 30 waste incineration plants with flue gas desulphurisation only one third uses wet flue gas cleaning. Only four waste incineration plants still report process emissions separately.

Since 2006, the consumption of $CaCO_3$ is known. For 1990-2005 however, the production of gypsum is used as surrogate data to estimate lime consumption. The limestone consumption data from the environmental reports (1998-2005) have not been used because this would increase the inconsistency. The applied activity data are presented in Table 4.2.11, Figure 4.2.7 and Annex Table 3C-1.12.

Table 4.2.11 Activity data for flue gas desulphurisation, kt.

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2020	2022	2023	2024
Gypsum production[1]	41.6	211.5	354.3	220.4	179.7	91.7	NAV	NAV	NAV	NAV
$CaCO_3$ consumption[2, 3]	22.0	111.8	187.3	116.6	95.6	35.3	18.4	26.1	14.9	14.4

[1] Energinet.dk (2020).
[2] 1990-2005: Estimated from surrogate data and stoichiometric relations.
[3] 2006-2024: EU-ETS of the individual plants.
NAV: Not Available.

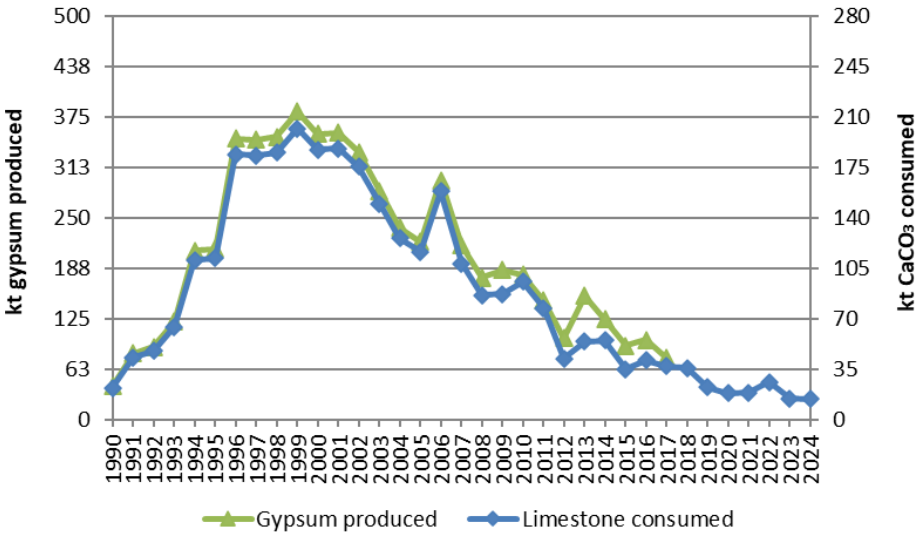


Figure 4.2.7 Activity data for flue gas desulphurisation.

The activity data varies with the coal and waste consumption that again varies depending on electricity import/export. As mentioned above, part of the decreasing trend in this category is caused by the allocation of emissions from some waste incineration plants to the energy sector. A rough estimate is that

10 kt $CaCO_3$ consumption per year has been allocated to the energy sector since 2012.

Emission factors

From the chemical reaction equation presented in the "Methodology" section, the stoichiometric emission factor can be calculated to 0.2325 tonnes CO_2 per tonne gypsum produced. When information on calcium carbonate consumption by power plants and waste incineration plants is not available (i.e. 1990-2005), this emission factor is used in the inventory to estimate the CO_2 emission from gypsum generation, which is then used to estimate the limestone consumption.

The emission factor applied to the limestone consumption is the stoichiometric emission factor 0.4397 tonnes CO_2 per tonne $CaCO_3$.

Emission trends

The emission trend for the CO_2 emission from flue gas desulphurisation is available in Table 4.2.12 and Annex Table 3C-1.13.

Table 4.2.12 CO_2 emissions from flue gas desulphurisation, kt.

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2020	2022	2023	2024
Flue gas desulphurisation	9.7	49.2	82.4	51.2	42.0	15.5	8.1	11.5	6.5	6.3

The CO_2 emission from flue gas desulphurisation in CHP plants increased significantly during the 1990s due to the increased use of wet flue gas desulphurisation. Since then, the emissions have decreased, primarily due to the decrease in coal consumption.

The increase in 2022 is caused by the temporary increase in coal consumption due to the energy crisis caused by Russia's invasion of Ukraine.

Time series consistency and completeness

The methodology for calculating emission from flue gas desulphurisation is consistent in spite of varying methods; please refer to the verification presented in Hjelgaard (2023). The source category is complete.

4.2.9 Stone wool production

Only one company produces stone wool in Denmark, Rockwool situated at three localities: Hedehusene[2], Vamdrup and Øster Doense. The following source is covered:

- Limestone and dolomite use – Stone wool production

Emissions associated with the fuel use are estimated and reported in the energy sector.

Methodological issues

During stone wool production the raw materials are melted in a cupola. Several of the raw materials contribute to the process CO_2 emission e.g. bottom ash, limestone, dolomite, binder etc.

Information on CO_2 process emissions for the years since 2006 has in combination with annual production data and raw material consumption data been

[2] The melting of minerals (cupola) has closed down in 2002.

used to extrapolate the emissions back to 1995. The data have been extracted from company reports (Rockwool, 2014) and EU-ETS (Rockwool, 2025). CO_2 process emissions are available for the years since 2006 (EU-ETS), the consumption of raw materials for 1995-2013 (environmental reports) and production data for 1995-2004 and 2014-2024 (Statistics Denmark and EU-ETS). Emissions for 1990-1994 are estimated as the constant average of 1995-1999.

Calculations are performed for the three factories individually and the applied methodology corresponds to a country specific method for all years in the time series according to IPCC (2019).

The consumption of raw material as well as amount of produced stone wool from EU-ETS is confidential.

EU-ETS data for stone wool production

Stone wool production applies the ETS Tier 3 methodology for calculating the CO_2 process emission for 2006 onwards.

The implied CO_2 emission factors for Rockwool are plant specific and based on the reporting to the EU-ETS. The EU-ETS data have been applied for the years 2006 onwards.

The CO_2 emission for stone wool production is based on measurements of the consumption of carbonates. These measurements fulfil an ETS Tier 1, Tier 2 or Tier 3 methodology (± 1.5 - 2.5 %) depending on the carbonate. The emission factors for dolomite are standard factors (Tier 1), while emission factors for carbonate containing inputs like stone wool waste and cement are based on carbon content measurements for each carbonate (ETS Tier 2-3). (Rockwool, 2022).

Activity data

The consumption of limestone equivalents is presented in Table 4.2.13 and Annex Table 3C-1.14.

Table 4.2.13 Activity data for stone wool production, kt $CaCO_3$ equivalents.

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2020	2022	2023	2024
Carbonate consumption	16.7	13.5	16.7	18.0	17.1	13.5	12.0	11.3	7.5	11.3

Emission factors

The applied emission factor for stone wool production is the stoichiometric factor 0.43971 tonnes CO_2 per tonne $CaCO_3$.

Emission trends

The emission trend for the CO_2 emission from stone wool production is presented in Figure 4.2.8 below and Annex Table 3C-1.15.

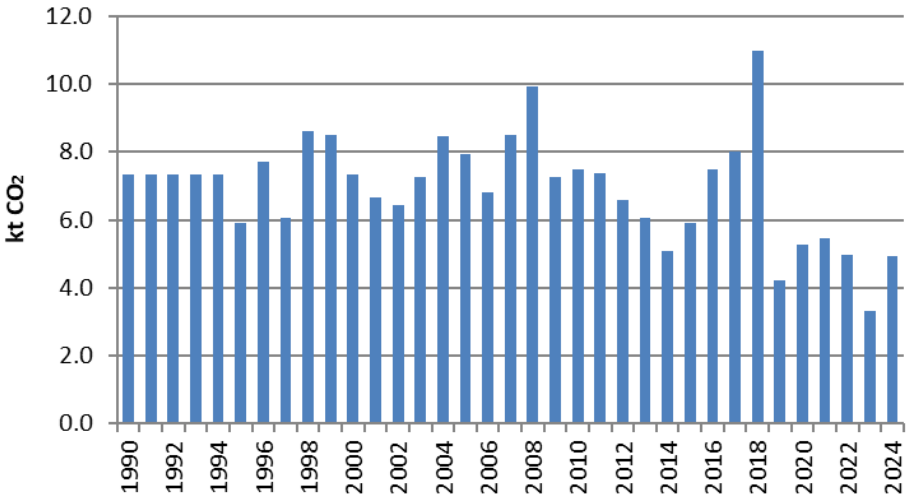


Figure 4.2.8 CO_2 emissions from stone wool production.

The consumption of CO_2 emitting raw materials in stone wool production varies, and so does the carbon content of the waste used as raw material. The strong decrease in carbonate consumption (and CO_2 emissions) from 2018 to 2019 is due to a strong decrease in use of dolomite as raw material. Rockwool strides to reduce CO_2 process emissions from production of stone wool by reducing the consumption of dolomite, but the decrease must also be seen as naturally occurring variation in raw material composition.

Time series consistency and completeness

The source category of stone wool production is complete. CO_2 emissions for 2006 onward are known (EU-ETS), but emissions for 1990-2005 are estimated via surrogate data. Despite this change in data availability, the source category is considered consistent.

4.3 Chemical Industry

4.3.1 Source category description

The sector *Chemical Industry* (2.B) covers the following industries relevant for the Danish air emission inventory:

- 2.B.2 Nitric acid production; see section 4.4.3.
- 2.B.10 Catalyst production; see section 4.4.4.

Nitric acid production is identified as a key category in 1990 according to both Approach 1 and Approach 2. The trend is also identified as key category according to both Approach 1 and Approach 2; however, this is due to the closing of the lone plant producing nitric acid in Denmark in 2004.

4.3.2 Emissions

The greenhouse gas emission time series for the source categories within the chemical industries sector are available in the CRT Table 10, Figure 4.3.1 and individually in the subsections below (Sections 4.3.3 – 4.3.4). The following figure gives an overview of which source categories contribute the most throughout the time series.

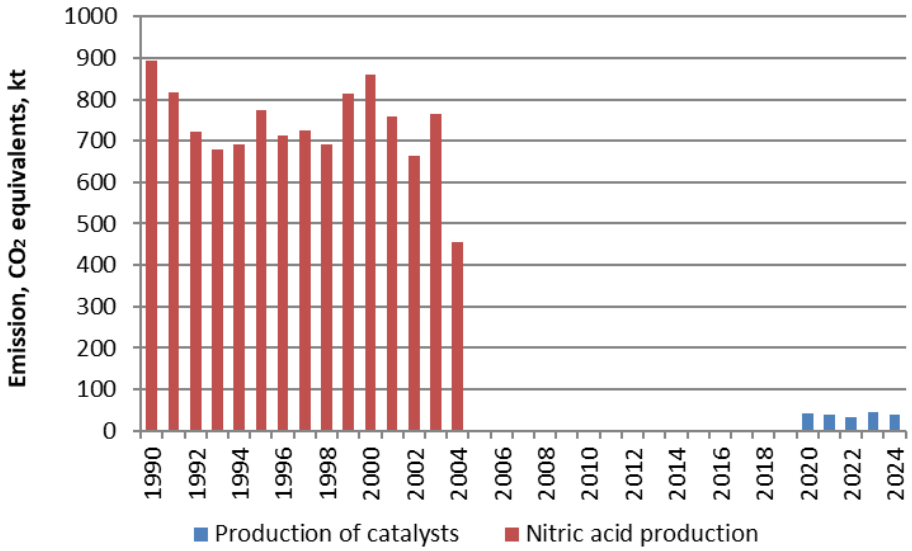


Figure 4.3.1 Emission of CO_2 equivalents from the individual source categories compiling *2.B Chemical Industry*, kt.

From 2020, N_2O emissions appear from catalyst production, CO_2 emissions from catalyst production occur for the entire time series. The production of nitric acid ceased in the middle of 2004.

Greenhouse gas emissions from *Chemical Industry* are made up almost entirely by N_2O emissions from the production of nitric acid; only 0.1 % of the CO_2 equivalent emission (1990-2003) to 0.2 % (2004) stems from the production of catalysts, making the emission invisible in the figure above for 1990-2019.

4.3.3 Nitric acid production

The production of nitric acid as well as NPK fertilisers has been concentrated at one company: Kemira GrowHow A/S situated in Fredericia. The production ceased in the summer of 2004. The following source is covered:

- Nitric acid production

Methodological issues

The information on the N_2O emissions from the production of nitric acid/fertiliser is obtained from environmental reports (Kemira GrowHow, 2005a), contact to the company as well as information from the county. Information on emissions of N_2O is available for 2002. For the remaining years the N_2O emission has been estimated from annual production statistics from the company and an implied emission factor based on 2002.

Specific information on applied technology is not available; however, the emission factor measured by the Danish nitric acid plant is comparable with the default emission factor for a medium pressure plant (IPCC, 2019).

The production of nitric acid in Denmark ceased in the middle of 2004 and the company relocated the production to a more modern facility in another country.

Activity data

The activity data regarding production of nitric acid are obtained through environmental reports and personal communication with Kemira (Kemira

GrowHow, 2005a and 2005b). The data are presented in Table 4.3.1 and Annex Table 3C-2.1.

Table 4.3.1 Production of nitric acid, kt.

	1990	1995	2000	2004
Nitric acid	450	390	433	229

In the time series, the production of nitric acid peaked in 1990 with 450 kt (and 807 kt fertiliser) and then fluctuated around the average of 375 kt nitric acid (694 kt fertiliser) from 1990-2003 until the factory closed down in the summer of 2004; 2004 production of 229 kt nitric acid and 395 kt fertiliser (Kemira GrowHow, 2005a, b).

Emission factors

Default emission factors given by IPCC (2019[3]) are presented in Table 4.3.2 together with the Danish value.

Table 4.3.2 Emission factors for production of nitric acid in Denmark compared with default emission factors (IPCC, 2019) (kg per t nitric acid).

	Danish IEF 2002	Default EF
N_2O	7.476	1.5-2.5[1]
		5[2]
		7[3]
		8[4]
		9[5]

[1] Modern plants with abatement technology.
[2] Single low pressure plant
[3] Dual low/medium pressure
[4] Single medium pressure plants.
[5] Sigle high pressure plants or dual medium/high pressure.

Emission trends

The emission trend for the N_2O emission from nitric acid production is available in Figure 4.3.1 and Annex Table 3C-2.2.

The trend for N_2O emission from 1990 to 2003 shows a decrease from 3.4 to 2.9 kt, i.e. 14 %, and a 41 % decrease from 2003 to 2004. However, the activity and the corresponding emission show considerable fluctuations in the period considered and the decrease from 2003 to 2004 can be explained by the closing of the plant in the middle of 2004.

The emission trend for the N_2O emission from nitric acid production is presented in Figure 4.1.1 and is therefore not repeated here. The trend for N_2O from 1990 to 2003 shows a decrease from 3.4 kt to 2.9 kt, i.e. -14 %, and a 41 % decrease from 2003 to 2004. However, the activity and the corresponding emission show considerable fluctuations in the period considered and the decrease from 2003 to 2004 can be explained by the closing of the plant in the middle of 2004.

Time series consistency and completeness

The applied methodology regarding N_2O is consistent. The activity data are based on information from the specific company/plant. The emission factor applied has been constant for the whole time series and is based on measurements performed in 2002. The production equipment has not been changed

[3] IPCC (2019), Volume 3 Chemical Industry, Chapter 3.3.2.2 page 3.9 (Table 3.3).

during the period. The source category of nitric acid production is complete as the only production plant to ever exist in Den-mark is included.

4.3.4 Catalyst production

Production of a wide range of catalysts and potassium nitrate (fertiliser) is concentrated at one company: Haldor Topsøe A/S situated in Frederikssund. The following source is covered:

- Other: Catalyst production

Methodological issues

The applied methodology corresponds to a country specific (Tier 3) methodology according to the 2006 IPPC Guidelines.

The one plant in Denmark is owned and operated by Haldor Topsøe and produces a number of different catalysts, e.g. TK catalysts, CKM catalysts and TertiNOx. The specific processes are naturally commercially sensitive and hence not available.

The processes involve heating of carbonate compounds i.e. the process leads to emissions of CO_2. There are two available reported CO_2 emissions from the company; the environmental reports/EU-ETS (Haldor Topsøe, 2013 and 2025a) and PRTR (Haldor Topsøe 2025b), the latter also provides N_2O emission data. EU-ETS only contains information on fuel use and emissions from combustion of fuels. CO_2 emissions from natural gas and LPG combustion reported by companies under the EU-ETS are estimated using measured activity data and carbon content of the fuel. Reported CO_2 emission from PRTR is calculated based on stack measurements by the company and hence also includes CO_2 emissions associated with calcination. The PRTR emissions are on average 7 % higher than those from EU-ETS. The difference between the two CO_2 emissions reported by the company is assumed to be from carbonate use.

An average implied CO_2 emission factor (IEF) was calculated for 2003-2009 using this method, this IEF was used for the years 1990-2003. For the years 1990-1995, the production (activity data) is estimated using linear regression on the years 1997-2012. Potential retention of CO_2 in the flue gas cleaning system has not been taken into account.

The applied methodology for the CO_2 emission calculation corresponds to a country specific (Tier 3) methodology according to the 2006 IPPC Guidelines.

For the years since 2020, N_2O emission measurements are also available from PRTR (Haldor Topsøe 2025b), since N_2O from the fuel consumption is negligible, the measured N_2O emissions are reported as process emissions.

EU-ETS data for catalyst production

The applied methodology for Haldor Topsøe A/S is specified in the individual monitoring plan that is approved by the Danish competent authority, which is the Danish Energy Agency (DEA) prior to the reporting of the emissions. Catalyst production at Haldor Topsøe applies the Tier 2 methodology for the natural gas consumption activity data (uncertainty ± 3.0 %). The uncertainty for gasoil/diesel and methanol consumption is 7.5 % and 5 %, respectively.

Calorific values and emission factors are a Tier 3 level for natural gas and Tier 2a for gasoil and methanol. Oxidation factors are Tier 1. (Haldor Topsøe, 2022).

Activity data

The activity data regarding production of catalysts and fertiliser are obtained through environmental reports from Haldor Topsøe (2013) where these are available (2007-2012). For years where environmental reports are unavailable, production data are estimated using the drivers mentioned in Table 4.3.3. Production data are presented in Table 4.3.4 and Annex Table 3C-2.3, the annex includes the applied surrogate data.

Table 4.3.3 Source of activity data.

Years	Determined by
1990-1995	Linear regression of 1997-2012
1996	Total production is available, the average split between the two products from 1997-2001 is applied for estimating the individual productions
1997-2012	Information from the company (Haldor Topsøe, 2013)
2013-2014	Estimated using the consumption of raw materials as surrogate data
2015-2024	Catalyst production is known from Statistics Denmark and fertiliser production is estimated using the fuel consumption as surrogate data and the average production for 2003-2012

Table 4.3.4 Production of catalysts and potassium nitrate, kt.

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2020	2022	2023	2024
Catalysts produced	-	-	17.2	23.2	20.5	27.2	27.3	24.8	30.4	26.9
Potassium nitrate produced	-	-	19.2	23.3	25.9	35.2	32.2	30.6	33.8	29.1
Total produced	23.7	30.5	36.4	46.5	46.4	62.4	59.5	55.4	64.2	56.1

Emission factors

The calculated implied emission factor is between 15 and 61 kg CO_2 per tonne product. The average factor for 2003-2009 is 0.0241 tonnes CO_2 per tonne product; this factor is applied for the years 1990-2003.

No emission factor is applied for N_2O emissions as these are measured values. However, the calculated implied emission factor for 2020-2023 is 2.0-2.5 tonnes N_2O per tonne product.

Emission trends

From 1990 to 2024, the emission of CO_2 from the production of catalysts/fertilisers has increased from 0.57 to 3.32 kt (482 %) with maximum in 2023 (3.66 kt CO_2), due to an increase in the production as well as changes in raw material consumption.

The introduction of N_2O emissions from 2020 might be related to the production of new types of products, it has however not been possible to receive any feedback from the company on this question.

The trend for the greenhouse gas emission from the production of catalysts and fertilisers is presented in Annex Table 3C-2.4 and in Figure 4.3.2.

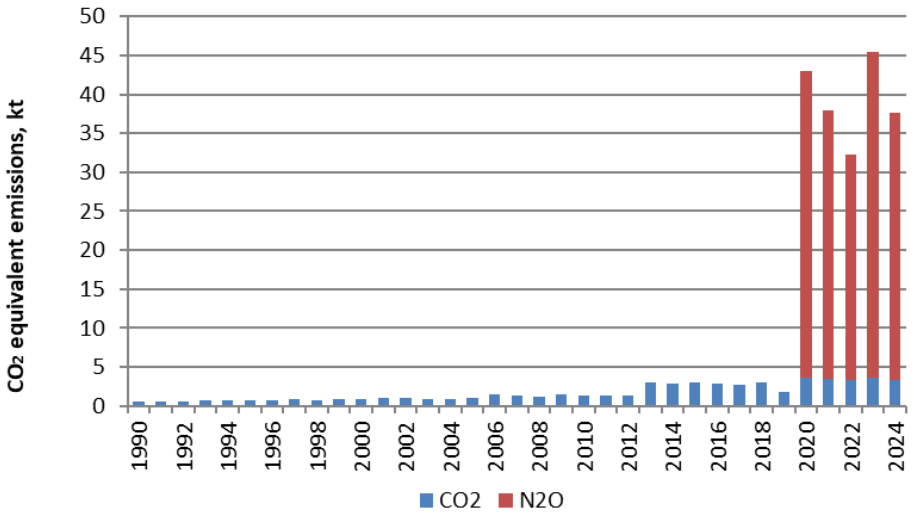


Figure 4.3.2 Emission of GHG from catalyst/fertiliser production, kt.

Time series consistency and completeness

The source category of catalyst production is complete.

There is a change in the applied methodology from 1990-1995 and 1996-onward. Linear regression is used to estimate emissions for 1990-1995, while emissions have been provided from the company since 1996. However, the source category is considered consistent.

The source category of catalyst production is complete as the sole producer is included.

4.4 Metal industry

4.4.1 Source category description

The sector *Metal Industry* (CRT 2.C) covers the following industries relevant for the Danish greenhouse gas emission inventory:

- 2.C.1 Iron and steel production; see section 4.4.3
- 2.C.4 Magnesium production; see section 4.4.4
- 2.C.5 Secondary lead production; see section 4.4.5

4.4.2 Emissions

The time series for emission of greenhouse gasses from *Metal Industry* (2.C) is presented in the CRT tables and in Figure 4.4.1 below.

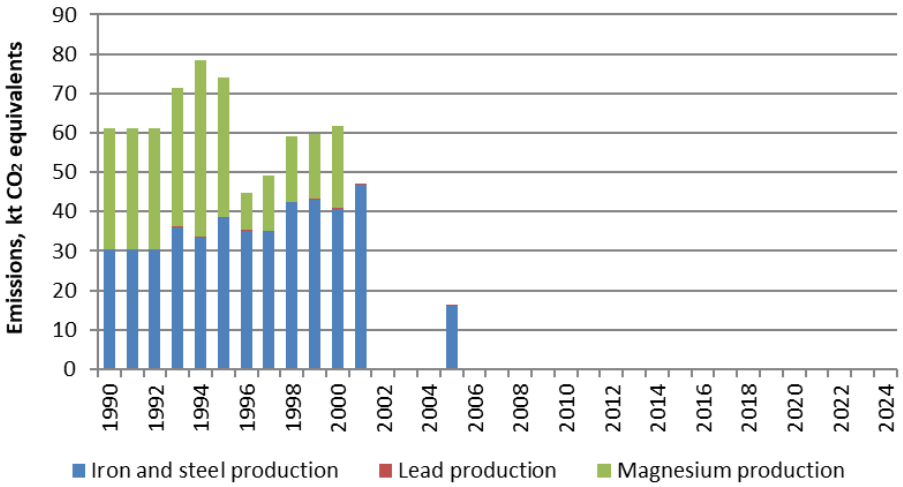


Figure 4.4.1 Emission of greenhouse gasses from the individual source categories compiling *2.C Metal Industry*, kt CO_2 equivalents.

From 1990 to 2001, the CO_2 emission from the electro-steelwork increased by 55 % whiles the SF_6 emission from magnesium production decreased with 31 % (1990-2000). The changes in the greenhouse gas emission are similar to the increase and decrease in the activity as the consumption of metallurgical coke per amount of steel sheets and bars produced has almost been constant during the period and the emission factor for magnesium production is constant throughout the time series.

Emissions from secondary lead production are miniscule (0.3-0.4 % of CO_2 equivalent emissions for 1990-2000) but are the only emissions in the *Metal Industry* sector that occur for the entire time series.

The electro-steelwork was shut down in January 2002 and reopened and closed again in 2005. In 2000, the SF_6 emission from the magnesium production ceased, due to SF_6 no longer being used as a cover gas.

Grey iron foundries, secondary aluminium production and red bronze production are active for the entire time series but emit no process greenhouse gas emissions and are therefore not included here.

4.4.3 Iron and steel production

The production of semi-manufactured steel products (e.g. steel sheets/plates and bars) was concentrated at one company: Det Danske Stålvalseværk A/S situated in Frederiksværk. After the closure of the electro steelwork in 2002, the two rolling mills were divided in two companies called DanSteel and Duferco, these are both still in operation but are not included here, as they do not emit process greenhouse gas emissions. The following source is covered:

- Electric furnace steel plant

The steelwork has been closed down in January 2002 and then partly reopened again in November 2002. The production of steel sheets/plates was reopened by DanSteel in 2003, the production of steel bars was reopened by DanScan Metal in March 2004, and the electro steelwork was reopened by DanScan Steel in January 2005. The production at DanScan Metal and Steel ceased in the last part of 2005 and in June 2006 DanScan Metal was taken over by Duferco; the electro steelwork (DanScan Steel) has still not been in operation since 2005. The timeline is presented in Figure 4.4.2.

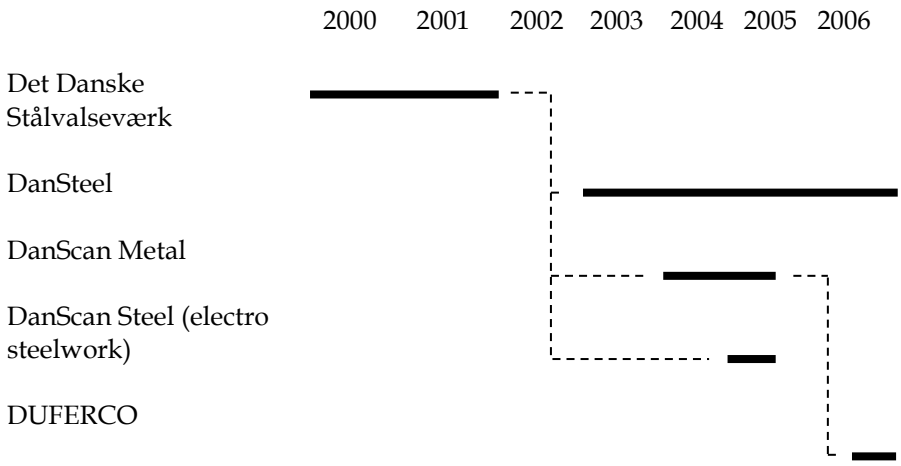


Figure 4.4.2 Timeline for production at the Danish steelwork.

Methodological issues

In steel production, metallurgical coke is used in the melting process to reduce iron oxides and to remove impurities. The overall process is:

$$C + O_2 \rightarrow CO_2$$

The CO_2 emission from the consumption of metallurgical coke at steelworks has been estimated from the annual production of steel sheets and steel bars combined with the consumption of metallurgical coke per produced amount (Stålvalseværket, 2002). The carbon source is assumed to be coke and all the carbon is assumed to be converted to CO_2 as the carbon content in the products is assumed to be the same as in the iron scrap. The emission factor (consumption of metallurgical coke per tonne of product) has been almost constant from 1993 to 2001; steel sheets: 0.012-0.018 tonnes metallurgical coke per tonne and steel bars: 0.011-0.017 tonnes metallurgical coke per tonne.

Steel production data for 1990-1991 and for 1993 have been determined with extrapolation and interpolation, respectively, and data on the consumption of metallurgical coke for 1990-1992 have been extrapolated.

Activity data

Statistical data on steel production activities, i.e. amount of steel sheets and bars produced as well as consumption of metallurgical coke are available in environmental reports from the single Danish steel plant (Stålvalseværket, 2002) supplemented with other literature (Jensen & Markussen, 1993). In 2002, production stopped. For 2005, the production has been assumed to be one third of the production in 2001 as the steelwork was operating between 4 and 6 months in 2005. The activity data are presented in Table 4.4.1 and Annex Table 3C-3.1.

Table 4.4.1 Overall mass flow for Danish steel production, kt.

		1990	1995	2000	2005
Stålvalseværket					
Raw material	Iron and steel scrap	-	657	731	-
Intermediate product	Steel slabs etc.	-	654	803	-
Product	Steel sheets	444[1]	478	380	-
	Steel bars	170[1]	239	251	-
	Products, total	614[1]	717	631	250[2]
Raw material	Metallurgical coke	8.3	10.5	11.1	4.4

[1]Extrapolation, [2]Assumed.

The mass balances/flow sheets presented in the annual environmental reports do not tell for all years about the changes in the stock and therefore the balance cannot be completed.

Emission factors

The CO_2 emission factor from use of metallurgical coke in manufacturing of steel from scrap is the stoichiometric ratio 3.667 tonnes CO_2 per tonne C.

Emission trends

The greenhouse gas emissions from the steel production are presented in Figure 4.4.3 and Annex Table 3C-3.2. The production ceased in 2001 and reopened and closed again in 2005; see Figure 4.4.2.

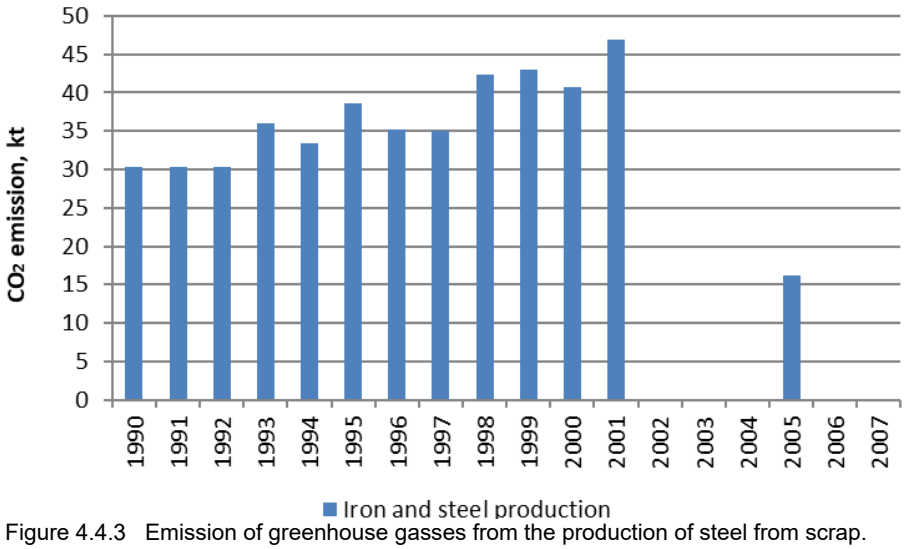


Figure 4.4.3 Emission of greenhouse gasses from the production of steel from scrap.

Time series consistency and completeness

The time series for secondary steel production is consistent as the same approach has been applied for the whole period.

There is no metallurgical coke production in Denmark, and the time series is also considered complete.

4.4.4 Magnesium production

For the production of magnesium in Denmark the following source is covered:

- Consumption of SF_6 in magnesium foundries

Methodological issues

The consumption of SF_6 as cover gas in the magnesium production is known from information directly from the industry (Poulsen, 2025[4]). The emission is calculated from the SF_6 consumption and the default Tier 2 methodology, which is a release of 100 %; i.e. consumption equals release (IPCC, 2006). The use of SF_6 for this purpose exists in Denmark for 1990-2000 after which alternative cover gasses were used in the productions.

[4] Information on magnesium production is not included in the report, but in the accompanied Excel spreadsheet.

The Tier 1 default emission factor of 1 kg SF_6 per tonne produced magnesium (IPCC, 2006) is applied only to achieve tonnes of produces magnesium activity data, but the applied methodology is as stated above a Tier 2.

Activity data

Table 4.4.2 presents the estimated activity data.

Table 4.4.2 Production of magnesium, tonnes.

	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
Magnesium produced	1300	1300	1300	1500	1900	1500	400	600	700	700	891

Emission factors

The applied emission factor is 1, i.e. 100 % release of SF_6 used.

Emission trends

The greenhouse gas emissions from the production of magnesium are presented in Figure 4.4.4 below. The consumption of SF_6 ceased in 2000.

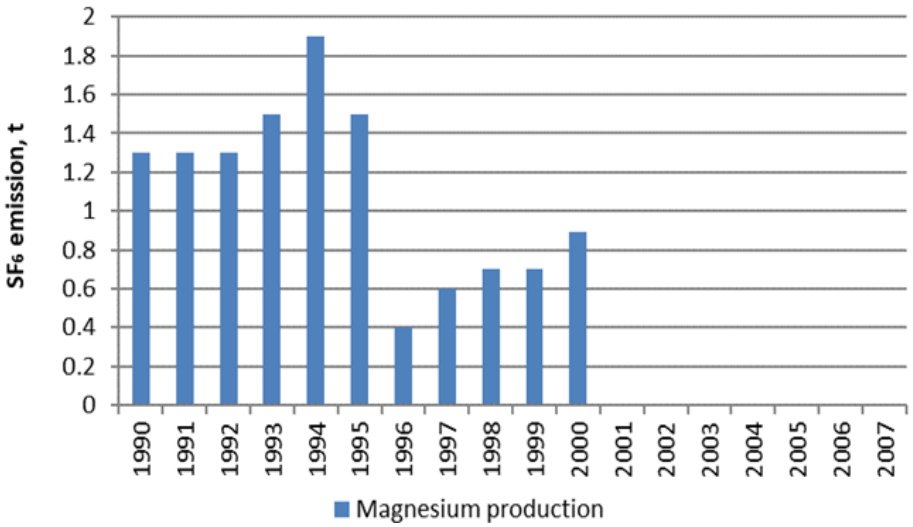


Figure 4.4.4 Emission of greenhouse gasses from the production of magnesium.

Time series consistency and completeness

The time series for magnesium production is both consistent and complete.

4.4.5 Secondary lead production

The production of secondary lead occurs at one point source (Hals Metal) and as area source from a number of smaller artisans. The following source is covered:

- Secondary lead production

Methodological issues

Only one Danish company; Hals Metal, has been identified as producing secondary lead from scrap metal. In addition to Hals Metal, old lead tiles from castles, churches etc. are melted and recast on site during preservation of the many historical buildings in Denmark.

Production data from Hals Metal are provided by the company for the entire time series (Hals Metal, 2025). A clause affected in 2002 meant that Hals Metal could no longer burn cables containing lead. The processing of cables was

therefore ceased, and the company's activity changed to smelting. This transition resulted in a low activity in 2003. In 2021, the production at Hals Metal ceased due to the company's bankruptcy but was restarted in 2022 after a take-over by Rimeco. The production was therefore also lower in 2021 and 2022.

The activity of recasting lead tiles is not easily found because it is spread out on many artisans and poorly regulated. However, an estimate by Lassen et al. (2004) states that 200-300 tonnes lead tiles were recast in 2000. Since the building stock worthy of preservation is constant, it is assumed that the activity of recasting of lead tiles is also constant.

Activity data

Activity data for secondary lead production are shown in Table 4.4.3 and Annex Table 3C-3.3.

Table 4.4.3 Activity data for secondary lead production, tonnes.

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2020	2022	2023	2024
Hals Metal	540	750	540	691	635	745	194	24	79	66
Lead tiles	250	250	250	250	250	250	250	250	250	250
Total	790	1000	790	941	885	995	444	274	329	316

Emission factors

The applied CO_2 emission factor for secondary lead production is the default Tier 1 factor of IPCC (2006)[5]; 0.2 tonnes per tonne product.

Emission trends

The greenhouse gas emissions from the production of secondary lead are presented in Figure 4.4.5 below and Annex Table 3C-3.4.

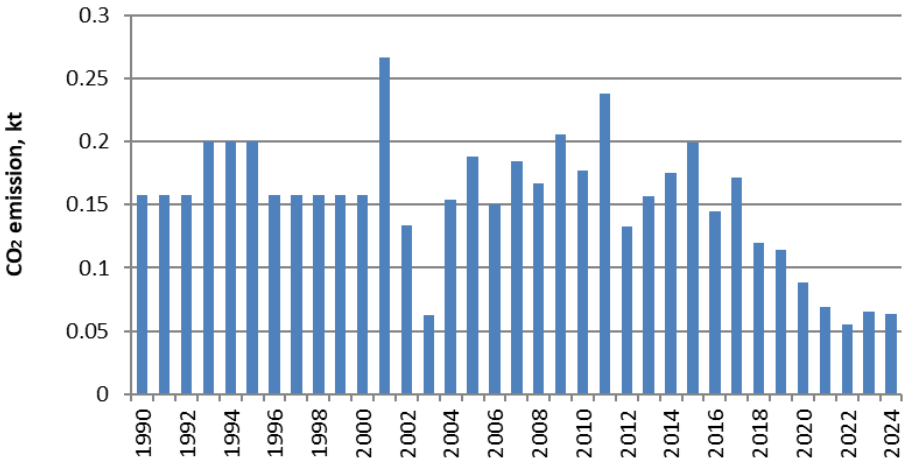


Figure 4.4.5 Emission of greenhouse gasses from secondary lead production.

Time series consistency and completeness

The time series for secondary lead production is both consistent and complete.

[5] IPCC (2006), Volume 3: Industrial Processes and Product Use, Chapter 4.6.2.2: Choice of emission factors, Table 4.21, page 4.73.

4.5 Non-Energy Products from Fuels and Solvent Use

4.5.1 Source category description

Non-Energy Products from Fuels and Solvent Use (CRT 2.D) covers the following categories relevant for the Danish air emission inventory:

- 2.D.1 Lubricant use; see section 4.5.3
- 2.D.2 Paraffin wax use; see section 4.5.4
- 2.D.3 Road paving with asphalt; see section 4.5.5
- 2.D.3 Urea-based catalysts; see section 4.5.6

4.5.2 Emissions

The time series for emission of greenhouse gasses from *Non-Energy Products from Fuels and Solvent Use* (2.D) is presented in the CRT tables and in Figure 4.5.1 below.

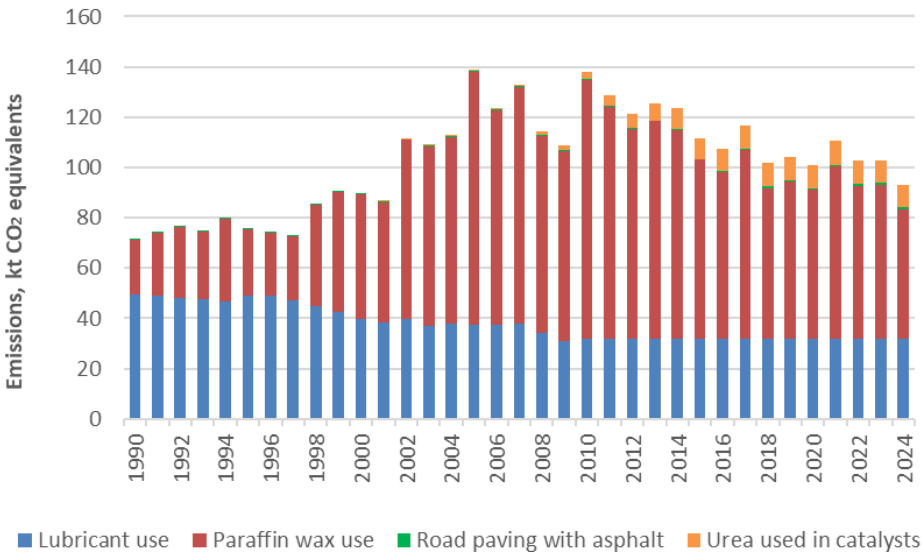


Figure 4.5.1 Emission of greenhouse gasses from the individual source categories compiling *2.D Non-Energy Products from Fuels and Solvent Use*, kt CO_2 eqv.

The largest source of greenhouse gas emissions from *Non-Energy Products from Fuels and Solvent Use* is for the start of the time series, Lubricant use. As the use of lubricants decreases and the use of candles (i.e. paraffin wax use) increases (111 % increase from 2001-2005), the use of candles becomes the largest source of greenhouse gas emissions for 1999-2024. Since the peak in emissions from the use of candles in 2010, emissions have decreased with 50 % (2010-2025).

4.5.3 Lubricant use

The category Lubricant use (CRT 2.D.1) covers the following process:

- Oxidation of lubricants during use

Lubricants consumed in machinery i.e. that is combusted during use, and collection of waste lubricants with subsequent combustion, are reported as part of the Energy sector. These emissions are not included in this report.

Methodological issues

The emission of CO_2 from oxidation of lubricants during use is calculated according to the equation (IPCC, 2006):

$$E_{CO2} = LC \bullet CC_{\text{lub}\,ricant} \bullet ODU_{\text{lub}\,ricant} \bullet 44/12 \quad \text{(Eq. 4.5.1)}$$

Where E_{CO2} is the CO_2 emission, LC is the consumption of lubricants, $CC_{lubricant}$ is the carbon content factor, $ODU_{lubricant}$ is the Oxidised During Use factor and 44/12 is the mass ratio of CO_2/C.

This method represents a Tier 1 approach where LC is the total amount of lubricant consumed in Denmark with no differentiation between greases and oils.

Activity data

The time series for consumption of lubricant oil in TJ is obtained from the Danish Energy Agency (2025) along with the calorific value of 41.9 GJ per tonne. The consumption of lubricant oil has been kept constant by DEA since 2010. The consumption is presented in Table 4.5.1 and the complete time series in Annex Table 3C-4.1.

Table 4.5.1 Consumption of lubricant oil, kt.

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2020	2022	2023	2024
Lubricants	80.5	79.1	64.3	60.9	51.3	51.3	51.3	51.3	51.3	51.3

Emission factors

The emission factor is calculated as the product: $CC_{lubricant} \cdot ODU_{lubricant} \cdot 44/12$ in equation 4.5.1 above and yields an emission factor of 14.7 kg CO_2 per TJ or 0.617 tonnes CO_2 per tonne lubricant used. This is constant for the entire time series.

Table 4.5.2 Factors for calculation of the lubricant use emission factor.

Factor	Description	Source	Value	Unit
$CC_{lubricant}$	The default carbon content factor	IPCC (2006), page 5.9	20.1	kg C/GJ
$ODU_{lubricant}$	The oxidised during use factor for grease	IPCC (2006), Table 5.2 page 5.9	0.2	-
CO_2/C	Mass ratio, 44/12	IPCC 2006, page 5.5	3.7	kg CO_2/kg C

Emission trends

The time series for CO_2 emission from oxidation of lubricants during use is presented in Table 4.5.3 and Annex Table 3C-4.2.

Table 4.5.3 Emissions from oxidation of lubricants during use, kt.

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2020	2022	2023	2024
Lubricants	49.7	48.8	39.7	37.6	31.7	31.7	31.7	31.7	31.7	31.7

Time series consistency and completeness

The applied methodology has been the same for all years in the time series, with activity data based on information from the Danish Energy Agency and using the same emission factor. The emission time series is therefore consistent. Since activity data are available from the energy statistics (Danish Energy Agency, 2025), the time series is also complete.

The creosote treatment of wood is not occurring in Denmark. It would require a special permission in order to use creosote for wood treatment in Denmark, no such permission has been granted.

Bitumen blowing is the process of polymerising and stabilising asphalt to improve its weathering characteristics, and it may take place in a bitumen processing or roofing plant, or in a refinery. After contact to the larger Danish

refineries and to the Danish asphalt industry trade association it was found that the activity of bitumen blowing does not occur in Denmark.

4.5.4 Paraffin wax use

The category Paraffin wax use (CRT 2.D.2) covers the following activity:

- Combustion of paraffin wax candles

Methodological issues

Paraffin waxes are used in applications such as candles, corrugated boxes, paper coating, board sizing, adhesives, food production, packaging, wax polishes, surfactants (used in detergents or in wastewater treatment), and many others. Emissions from the use of paraffin waxes occur primarily when they are combusted during use, e.g. candles, or when otherwise incinerated. The latter cases should be reported in the energy sector (IPCC, 2006) and is therefore not included in this chapter.

In the Danish inventory, greenhouse gas emissions (CO_2, N_2O and CH_4) are only included from the main emission source: Combustion of paraffin wax candles. The methodology corresponds to a Tier 2 (IPCC, 2006) and assumes an oxidation factor of 100 %.

Activity data

The activity data are derived from import, export and production data for candles from Statistics Denmark (2025) and are presented in Table 4.5.4 and in Annex Table 3C-4.3.

Table 4.5.4 Use of paraffin wax candles, kt.

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2020	2022	2023	2024
Paraffin wax use	7.4	9.1	16.9	34.4	35.3	24.4	20.4	20.9	21.0	17.7

Emission factors

The emission factors presented in Table 4.5.5 are constant for the entire time series and are compiled from the scientific literature. The IPCC (2006) CO_2 emission factor is valid for shale oil and is therefore not used[6].

Table 4.5.5 Emission factors for use of paraffin wax candles.

Pollutant	Unit	Value	Source
CO_2	kt/kt	2.91	Shires et al. (2009)
N_2O	t/kt	0.024	Campbell et al. (2021)
CH_4	t/kt	0.121	Campbell et al. (2021)

Emission trends

The time series for greenhouse gas emissions from paraffin wax use is shown in Table 4.5.6 and Annex Table 3C-4.4.

[6] In IPCC (2006) V3 Ch5 page 5.12 states a combustion emission factor of 73.3 kg CO_2 per GJ. However, the referenced source of this value clearly states that the emission factor is valid for shale oil and not for paraffin wax. Another source was therefore used for the CO_2 emission factor for paraffin wax use in the present report.

Table 4.5.6 Emissions from the use of paraffin wax candles.

	Unit	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2020	2022	2023	2024
CO_2	kt	21.7	26.5	49.3	100.2	102.7	71.1	59.5	60.8	61.2	51.6
CH_4	t	0.9	1.1	2.0	4.2	4.3	3.0	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.1
N_2O	t	0.2	0.2	0.4	0.8	0.8	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.4
CO_2 eqv.	kt	21.7	26.6	49.4	100.6	103.1	71.3	59.7	61.0	61.4	51.8

Since the emission factors are constant throughout the time series, any increase or decrease in emissions are caused by an equal development in activity. Emissions increased with 363 % from 1990 to 2005. After 2010, emissions from paraffin wax use started decreasing (-42 % from 2010-2018), after which they stayed somewhat steady at 60-69 kt CO_2 equivalents in the years 2018-2023. The use of paraffin wax candles was seen another significant decrease in 2024. The overall development from 1990 to 2024 in an increase of 138 %.

The decrease in the years after 2010 could be attributed to an increased awareness on indoor climate/pollution and an increased sale of LED candles. However, the full effect of this seems to already be implemented.

Time series consistency and completeness

The time series is both consistent and complete.

4.5.5 Road paving with asphalt

The category Road paving with asphalt (CRT 2.D.3 Other) covers the following activity:

- Road paving with asphalt

Methodological issues

Emissions are calculated as activity data multiplied with an emission factor. The activity data are the used amounts of asphalt for road paving which has been compiled from production, import and export statistics of asphalt products in Statistics Denmark (2025).

Activity data

The used amount of asphalt for road paving is presented in Table 4.5.7 and Annex Table 3C-4.5.

Table 4.5.7 Activity data for asphalt in road paving, kt.

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2020	2022	2023	2024
Road paving with asphalt	2535	3144	2933	3879	3005	3440	3833	4426	5299	5614

Emission factors

Greenhouse gas emissions emitted from this process is CH_4. The applied emission factor is 4.4 g CH_4 per tonne product (US EPA, 2004, hot mix).

Emission trends

Greenhouse gas emissions from road paving with asphalt are presented in Table 4.5.8 and Annex Table 3C-4.6.

Table 4.5.8 Emissions from road paving with asphalt, t.

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2020	2022	2023	2024
CH_4	11.2	13.8	12.9	17.1	13.2	15.1	16.9	19.5	23.3	24.7

Time series consistency and completeness

The time series is considered both consistent and complete.

4.5.6 Urea-based catalysts

The category Urea-based catalysts (CRT 2.D.3 Other) covers CO_2 emissions from urea-based additives used in catalytic converters in heavy-duty vehicles to bring down NO_x emissions. The category covered is:

- Urea-based catalysts

Methodological issues

The consumption of urea by SCR catalysts for heavy-duty vehicles is estimated with the DCE emission model for road transport by using fuel consumption totals and urea consumption rates for relevant engine technologies. The DCE model uses the COPERT 5 detailed methodology as explained in Chapter 3.3. SCR catalysts are used by Euro V and VI trucks and to a smaller extent by Euro IV trucks as an emission abatement technology in order to bring down NO_x emissions. For more details, please refer to Chapter 3.3.

Activity data

According to COPERT 5, the consumption of urea is 5-7 % by volume of fuel for Euro IV/V heavy-duty vehicles (6 % is used) and 3-4 % for Euro VI heavy-duty vehicles (3.5 % is used). Activity data for the use of urea is presented in Table 4.5.9 and Annex Table 3C-4.7.

Table 4.5.9 Activity data for use of urea in catalysts, kt.

	2001	2005	2010	2015	2020	2022	2023	2024
Urea	0.002	0.043	12.3	34.9	38.7	39.5	37.4	37.3

Emission factors

For each vehicle layer, the emissions of CO_2 are subsequently estimated as the product of urea consumption and a CO_2 emission factor of 0.26 kg CO_2 per l urea (EMEP/EEA, 2019).

Emission trends

CO_2 emissions from the use of urea in catalysts are presented in Table 4.5.10 and Annex Table 3C-4.8.

As the use of urea in catalysts only started with EURO IV heavy-duty vehicles, the time series starts in 2001.

Table 4.5.10 CO_2 emissions from the use of urea in catalysts, kt.

	2001	2005	2010	2015	2020	2022	2023	2024
CO_2	0.001	0.010	2.9	8.3	9.2	9.4	8.9	8.9

Time series consistency and completeness

The time series is both consistent and complete.

4.6 Electronics Industry

4.6.1 Source category description

The sector *Electronic Industry* (CRT 2.E) covers the use of HFCs and PFCs in the production of fibre optics. There is no production of semiconductors, TFT flat panels or photovoltaics with use of F-gases in Denmark. No use of HFCs or PFCs as heat transfer fluids occur in Denmark.

As a result, the only relevant category is:

- 2.E.5 Other: HFC-23, PFC-14 (CF_4) and PFC-318 (c-CF_4F_8) from fibre optics

The description of consumption and emission of F-gases given below is based on an inventory by Poulsen (2025). For further details, please refer to that report.

4.6.2 Emissions

The use of F-gases in the production of fibre optics did not start until 2001 and no emissions are reported for 2002-2005, 2015- 2016, 2018, 2020-2022 or 2024. The emission time series for *Electronics Industry* (2.E) is available in the CRT tables but is also presented in Figure 4.6.1.

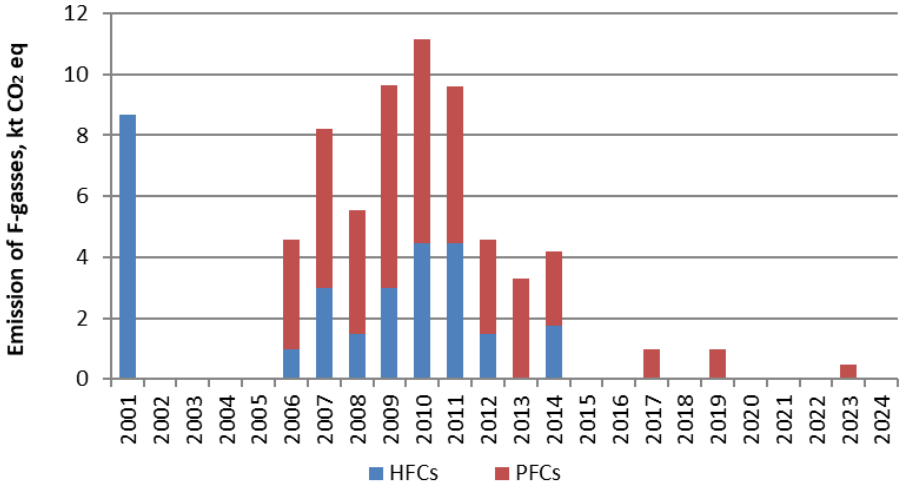


Figure 4.6.1 Emissions of HFCs and PFCs from *Electronics Industry*.

4.6.3 Other electronics industry

As mentioned above, optic fibre production is the only source category relevant for the Danish inventory on electronic industries.

Methodological issues

Both HFCs (HFC-23) and PFCs (PFC-14 and PFC-318) are used for technical purposes in Danish optics fibre production for protection and as cleaning gases in the production process.

Information on consumption of HFCs and PFCs in production of fibre optics is derived from annual importers' sales report with specific information on the amount used for production of fibre optics. This is believed to represent 100 % of the Danish consumption of F-gases for that purpose. The emission factor is 1, i.e. 100 % release in the production year (i.e. year of consumption). The methodology corresponds to the IPCC Tier 2 method.

Stock displacement is believed to be the main reason for the fluctuations in the time series. However, since F-gasses in this industry are only used for tests or product development and not for industry scale production, the use of F-gasses will also be small and will vary.

Activity data

There has been no use of F-gasses in 2002-2005, 2015-2016, 2018, 2020-2022 or 2024. The consumption data are provided in Figure 4.6.2 below and Annex Table 3C-5.1.

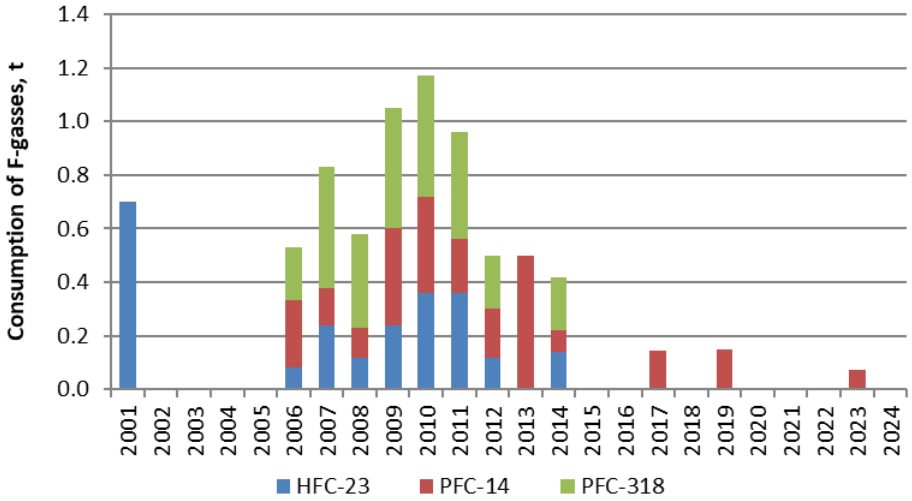


Figure 4.6.2 Consumption of F-gases in production of fibre optics, t.

Emission factors

Since HFC-23 and the PFCs are used as protection and cleaning gases as well as for etching in optics fibre production, the emission factor is defined as 100 % release during the production process.

Emission trends

Emission trends are presented in Figure 4.6.3 below and Annex Table 3C-5.2.

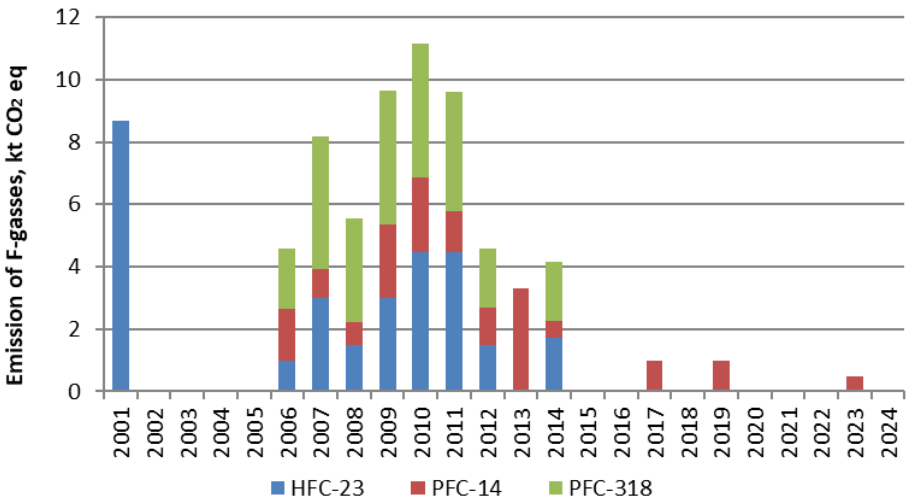


Figure 4.6.3 Emissions from Electronic industry, kt CO_2 eqv.

Time series consistency and completeness

The estimates are based on information directly from the importer supplying this sector in Denmark. As Denmark is a small country with a limited consumption of F-gasses, there are only few importers. Data collection for the F-gas report (Poulsen, 2025) is done in close corporation with the industry associations enabling inclusion of any new importers of F-gases or F-gas containing products. The time series is therefore considered both complete and consistent.

4.7 Product Uses as Substitutes for Ozone Depleting Substances (ODS)

4.7.1 Source category description

The sub-sector *Product uses as substitutes for ODS* (2.F) includes the following source categories and the following F-gases of relevance for Danish emissions:

- 2.F.1: Refrigeration and air conditioning: HFC-32, -125, -134a, -143a, -152a, PFC-218 and PFC-14
- 2.F.2: Foam blowing agents: HFC-134a and HFC-152a
- 2.F.4: Aerosols: HFC-134a and HFC-227ea
- 2.F.5: Solvents: PFC-218

One key category was identified for the emission of HFCs in the sub-sector *Product uses as substitutes for ODS* (2.F); refrigeration and air conditioning for level in 2024 and for trend (both Approach 1 and Approach 2).

The description of consumption and emission of F-gases given below is based on an inventory by Poulsen (2025). For further details, refer to this report.

All descriptions in Chapter 4 of this report, refer to activities in mainland Denmark.

4.7.2 Emissions

The emission time series for *Product uses as substitutes for ODS* (2.F) are presented in Figure 4.7.1 and Figure 4.7.2 below.

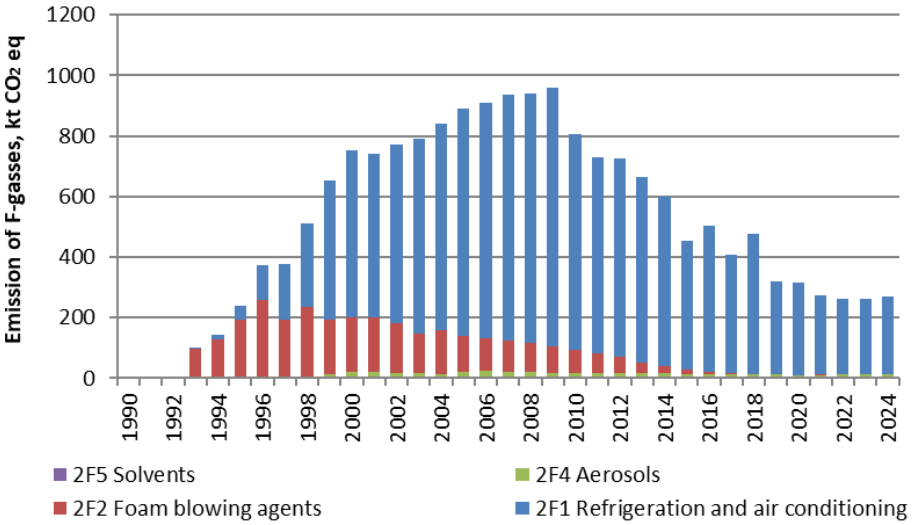


Figure 4.7.1 Emission of F-gases from the individual source categories within *2.F Product uses as substitutes for ODS*, kt CO_2 eqv.

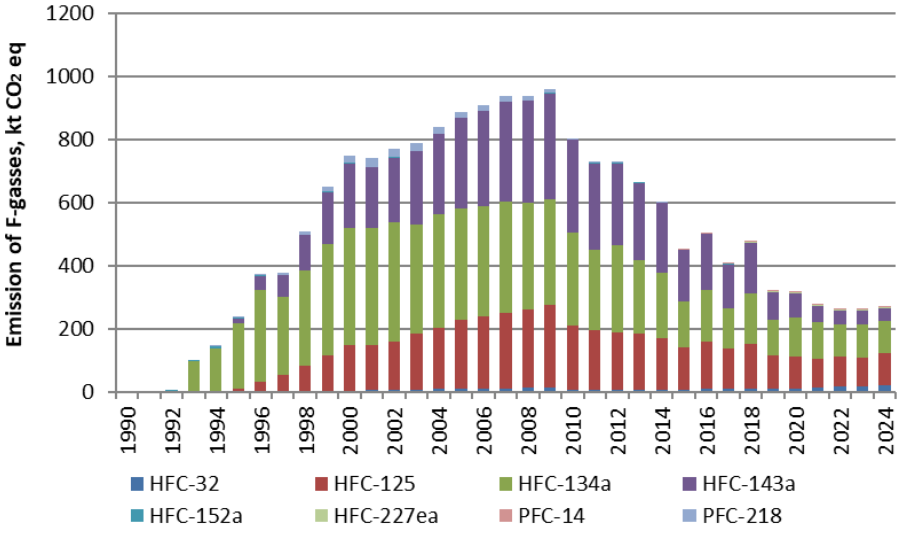


Figure 4.7.2 Emission of F-gases from the individual gases within 2.F Product uses as substitutes for ODS, kt CO_2 eqv.

The emission of HFCs increased rapidly in the 1990s and, thereafter, increased more modestly due to a moderate increase in the use of HFCs as a refrigerant and a decrease in foam blowing. The F-gases have been regulated in two ways since 1 March 2001. For some types of use there is a ban on use of the gases in new installations and for other types of use, taxation is in place. These regulations seem to have influenced emissions so that since 2009, an overall decreasing trend can be observed.

General trends

The phase out of F-gases has in particular been effective within the foam blowing sector and refrigeration and air conditioning installations. Regarding foam blowing, there was a stepwise phase-out of HFC-134a used for foam blowing in closed cell and open cell foam production, during the period 2001-2004. Especially the phase-out of HFCs in open cell foam is significant for the emission in this period.

Since the introduction of taxes on HFCs in 2001, the consumption and emissions from foams have seen a steady decrease. Emissions of HFC-152a still occur from stock in closed cell foams, but no HFCs have been filled into new products (nor imported in new products) since 2016, with the exception of a small consumption of HFC-134a in 2022.

The emission of HFCs for refrigeration continued to increase until 2009, especially HFC-404a and HFC-134a increased. This increase is explained with other initiatives in Danish legislation, where new refrigeration systems containing HCFC-22 (ODS) was banned from 2001. It caused a boom in refrigeration systems using HFCs during 2002-2004, because the HFC technology was cheap and well proven. The consumption of HFCs for refrigeration changed significantly after 1 January 2007, where new larger HFC installations with charges exceeding 10 kg were banned. The emission of HFC-134a peaked in 2007, but the peak for HFC-125 and HFC-143a is not seen until 2009. HFC-152a was completely phased out by 2012. HFC-125, HFC-134a and HFC-143a are all still slowly decreasing in annual consumption for refrigeration, while emissions of HFC-32 are slightly increasing. The 2024 F-gas regulation has per 1 January 2025, banned the use of refrigerants with a GWP>150 in self-contained refrigeration equipment, although the use in self-contained air-conditioning and heat pumps as well as chillers remain allowed until 1 January 2027

for equipment smaller than 12 kW. Alternative refrigeration technologies based on CO_2, propane/butane and ammonia are now introduced and available for customers.

The import of PFC-218 (C_3F_8) has been very low since 2006, when a ban on its use entered into force, and as expected, this refrigerant has been phased out of the market. Emissions have been decreasing since the peak in 2002, and no emissions of PFC-218 are reported after 2014. Emissions from the use of PFC-218 (C_3F_8) as a solvent only occurred from 2000 to 2003.

A quantitative overview is given below (Figure 4.7.3 – Figure 4.7.6) for each of the four source categories, showing their emissions in tonnes of CO_2 equivalents through the times series.

4.7.3 General methodology

The data for emissions of HFCs and PFCs have been obtained in continuation of the work on previous inventories. The determination includes the quantification and determination of any import and export of HFCs and PFCs contained in products and substances in stock form. This is in accordance with the IPCC guidelines (IPCC, 2006).

For the Danish inventories of F-gases, a Tier 2 bottom-up approach is basically used. In Annex 3 to the F-gas inventory report (Poulsen, 2025), there is a specification of the approach applied for each sub-source category.

The following sources of information have been used:

- Importers, agency enterprises, wholesalers and suppliers
- Consuming enterprises, and trade and industry associations
- Danish Environmental Protection Agency
- Recycling enterprises and chemical waste recycling plants
- Statistics Denmark
- Danish Refrigeration Installers' Environmental Scheme (KMO)
- Previous evaluations of HFCs, PFCs and SF_6

Suppliers and/or producers provide consumption data of F-gases. Emission factors are primarily defaults from the IPCC guidelines, which are assessed to be applicable in a national context. In the case of commercial refrigerants and Mobile Air Conditioning (MAC), information from Danish suppliers has been used. The actual amount of F-gas used for refilling is used as an estimate on the actual emission.

Import/export data for sub-source categories where import/export is relevant (e.g. MAC and fridges/freezers for households) are quantified on estimates from import/export statistics of products + default values of the amount of gas in the product. The estimates are transparent and described in Appendix 3 of Poulsen (2025).

The Tier 2 bottom-up analysis used for determination of emissions from F-gasses covers the following activities:

- Screening of the market for products in which F-gases are used.
- Determination of averages for the content of F-gases per product unit.
- Determination of emissions during the lifetime of products and disposal.

- Identification of technological development trends that have significance for the emission of F-gases.
- Calculation of import and export is based on defined key figures, and information from Statistics Denmark on foreign trade and industry information.

The determination of emissions of F-gases is based on a calculation of the actual emission. The actual emission is the emission in the evaluation year, accounting for the time lapse between consumption and emission. The actual emission includes Danish emissions from production, from products during their lifetimes and from disposal.

Consumption and emissions of F-gases are determined for individual substances, even though the consumption of certain HFCs has been very limited. This has been carried out to ensure transparency of evaluation in the determination of GWP values.

The substances have been accounted for in the annual survey according to their trade names, which are mixtures of HFCs used in the CRT, etc. In the transfer to the "pure" substances used in the CRT reporting tables, the ratios provided in Table 4.7.1 have been used.

Table 4.7.1 Content (w/w%)[1] of "pure" HFC in HFC-mixtures, used as trade names.

HFC mixtures	HFC-32	HFC-125	HFC-134a	HFC-143a	HFC-152a	HFC-227ea
	%	%	%	%	%	%
HFC-365						8
HFC-401a					13	
HFC-402a		60				
HFC-404a		44	4	52		
HFC-407c	23	25	52			
HFC-410a	50	50				
HFC-507a		50		50		

[1]The mixtures also contain substances that do not have GWP values and therefore, the substances do not sum up to 100 %.

The national inventories for F-gases are provided and documented in an annual report (Poulsen 2025). Furthermore, detailed data and calculations are available and archived in an electronic version. The report contains summaries of methods used and information on sources as well as further details on methodologies.

4.7.4 Refrigeration and air conditioning

2.F.1 Refrigeration and air conditioning consists of the following subcategories:

- 2.F.1.a Commercial refrigeration
- 2.F.1.b Domestic refrigeration
- 2.F.1.c Industrial refrigeration (included under commercial)
- 2.F.1.d Transport refrigeration
- 2.F.1.e Mobile air conditioning
- 2.F.1.f Stationary air conditioning

The use of HFCs in industrial refrigeration was previously surveyed and the conclusion was that large-scale industrial refrigeration installations in e.g. slaughterhouses, fish factories and medico companies, use ammonia-based

refrigeration units. This is particularly caused by the tax on HFCs in Denmark that makes HFC based refrigeration units with large charges too expensive, and furthermore the ban from 2007. Smaller HFC based units will occur in industry but is then similar to commercial refrigeration units. Since it is not possible to separate small-scale industrial and commercial refrigeration units, all consumption and emissions are reported under commercial refrigeration.

Methodological issues

For refrigeration and air conditioning, Denmark uses mainly the Tier 2 top-down approach (Tier 2b). However, for domestic refrigeration the methodology is a combination of Tier 2a and 2b.

Commercial refrigeration covers medium and large commercial and industrial refrigeration but also smaller stand-alone commercial appliances. Stand-alone commercial refrigeration units are so similar to domestic appliances that the two categories cannot be distinguished in the input data. However, since HFC-134a and HFC-404a are banned[7] from use in domestic appliances from 2015, and there is no reason to assume that this law is not upheld in Denmark, the consumption of these F-gasses must be solely from commercial appliances from 2015 onward. This knowledge is then used as an offset to estimate the allocation between commercial and domestic consumption of HFC-125 (GWP 3170), HFC-134a (GWP 1300) and HFC-143a (GWP 4800) for the entire time series. 2.F.1.a. For more information on the applied methodology, please refer to Poulsen (2025). The producers responsible for this consumption confirm the consumption of HFC-134a and HFC-404a has been for standalone appliances and biomedical coolers and freezers. The consumption of these F-gasses for laboratory uses and for -50°C applications have been exempted until the EU ban on 1 January 2025.

According to Danish law, refrigerators and freezers must be emptied during decommissioning by recovery, reuse or destruction of the remaining gases. It is reasonable to assume that this law is upheld in Denmark since waste collection is mandatory and there are no extra charges for e.g., getting rid of a used refrigerator. In addition, to recycling plants where companies and individuals can deliver their waste, there is also a collection scheme where e.g., used refrigerators are collected at the sidewalks and disposed of. Due to this, there is no reason why people would choose to illegally dispose of an appliance when the legal disposal is both free and easy.

Stationary air conditioners and heat pumps must also be emptied during decommissioning. However, a full recovery of F-gasses cannot be assumed as not all units are taken down by refrigeration service technicians.

About half of Danish refrigeration and air conditioning units are exported at end use. The other half is dismantled in Denmark and emptied off F-gasses are either reused or destroyed at specialised incineration plants under extreme heat. It is therefore reasonable to assume 100 % recovery. However, accepting that the destruction of F-gasses might, theoretically only be 99.99 %, the notation key applied in the CRT tables for emissions from disposal is "NE" (not estimated). Emissions that might potentially escape incineration at the

[7] EU F-gas Regulation 517/2014, Annex III entered into force on 1 January 2015 placing a ban on sale/installation of domestic refrigeration appliances containing F-gases with a GWP>150.

specialised incineration plants with extremely high temperatures, have been estimated and proven insignificant, see the section on completeness below.

Regarding accidents and breakdown in stand-alone fridges (and MACs) where the entire stock might escape is accounted for in the lifetime emissions.

For the early period of the time series (1994-2000), transport refrigeration and mobile air conditioning (mobile A/C) were included in one common activity reported under 2.F.1.e Mobile air conditioning. When data became available to allow for the split between these two activities this was implemented. For the transport refrigeration category is used a decommissioning rate of 10 % four years after the consumption. This results in small amounts of HFC-125 and HFC-143a (from HFC-404a) for decommissioning in 1997-2000 in 2.F.1.e. After this period, HFC-404a is no longer reported in 2.F.1.e, but only as used in transport refrigeration (2.F.1.d).

Activity data

The data collection is described in the Chapter 4.7.3 General methodology.

The activity data expressed as total amount of HFCs and PFCs "filled into new products", "present in operating systems" and "remaining in products at decommissioning" are included in the CRT tables and are not repeated here.

PFC-14 was used in Denmark for brief periods as refrigerant for specialized low-temperature (-60°C) freezers for laboratory purposes. Use of PFC-14 for these extreme low temperature laboratory freezers has been registered for 2015-2018 and 2021-2023 and is placed under 2.F.1.a Commercial refrigeration. In 2017 and 2018, the consumption figures were identical. This use has been banned in new equipment from 1 January 2025[8].

Heat pumps are part of category 2.F.1.f Stationary air conditioning. There is no production of heat pumps in Denmark is small and the stock of HFC-32, HFC-125 and HFC-134a in heat pumps increases mostly due to import. Emissions from manufacturing of heat pumps is not occurring before year 2022 and is not correlated to the amounts filled into new products. Import of F-gasses in heat pumps is included in "filled into new products" in the CRT tables, this causes the "product manufacturing factor" of 2.F.1.f to be below the 0.2 displayed in Table 4.7.2 below. Mobile air conditioning units are not produced in Denmark, and the same discrepancy between Table 4.7.2 and the CRT tables also applies for MACs.

Emission factors

The applied emission factors are presented in Table 4.7.2.

[8] EU F-gas regulation 2024/573, Annex IV, point 4 entered into force on 1 January 2025placing a ban on sale of any self-contained refrigeration equipment, except chillers, that contains fluorinated greenhouse gases with a GWP of 150 or more. Airconditioning units and heat pumps are regulated separately from this ban in the EU F-gas regulation.

Table 4.7.2 Applied emission factors for refrigeration and air condition systems.

		Assembly, %	Stock, % per annum	Lifetime, years	Recovery, %
2.F.1.a	Commercial and industrial refrigerators[1]	0.5-1.5	10	15	88.5
	- Commercial stand alone[2]	2	1	15	100
2.F.1.b	Household fridges and freezers	2	1	15	100
2.F.1.d	Transport refrigeration	0.5	17	7	88.5
2.F.1.e	Mobile air conditioning systems[3]	4.5	30	3-15	88.5-100
2.F.1.f	Stationary air conditioning[4]	0.2-1.5	3-10	15	88.5-100
	- Heat pumps[5]	0.2	3	10	80

[1] For commercial refrigerators EFs change from 2010 onward, from 1.5 % to 0.5 % for assembly. This is not the case for retail and industrial refrigeration systems.
[2] EFs for commercial stand-alone appliances are mentioned separately. These are similar to household appliances and hence have the same EFs as household appliances.
[3] For pure HFC-134a, EFs are 4.5 % from refilling (no assembly of new MAC systems in Denmark), 30 % leakage, 15 years lifetime and 88.5 % recovery and for HFC-404a, EFs are 4.5 %, 30 %, 3 years and 100 % recovery.
[4] EFs change for all HFCs from 2010 onward, from 1.5 % to 0.2 % for assembly, and from 10 % to 3 % for stock. For PFC-218 recovery is 100 %.
[5] EFs for heat pumps are mentioned separate from the remaining 2.F.1.f category.

2.F.1.a

The assembly emission factor is reduced from 2010 for all sources in 2.F.1.a except commercial stand-alone appliances. The reduction from 1.5 % to 0.5 % leakage rate at assembly, is implemented based on an expert judgement of when the technologies improved, and next generation units were introduced to the market (Poulsen 2025). This reduction in leakage rate has been investigated and also discussed in the Nordic working group on F-gases. 1.5 % emission at assembly of commercial refrigerators is the correct factor for historic years, while 0.5 % is correct for recent years. While technological development occurs gradually, emission calculations often display a more step wise trend, as is the case here where the year 2010 was chosen as the split line.

2.F.1.b

For domestic refrigeration, the emission from stock presented in the CRT tables is a sum of annual emissions in the product lifetime. The product life factor is therefore not exactly equal to 1 % as otherwise stated in Table 4.7.2.

As described in the methodology section above, all Danish household fridges and freezers are collected at end use. Appliances are either exported or treated in Denmark at specialised dissemble plants. F-gasses are drawn off the appliances under a fume hood, and collected gasses are reused or destroyed through incineration. It is therefore reasonable to assume 100 % recovery. However, the notation key Not Estimated (NE) is used in the CRT for the HFC emission from product decommissioning, in acceptance that theoretically a miniscule emission might potentially escape incineration. As HFC-125, HFC-134a and HFC-143a were all banned from use in new appliances in Denmark per 1 January 2015 and the expected lifetime is 15 years, the last F-gas containing household fridges and freezers are modelled to be decommissioned in 2029.

2.F.1.e

Detailed information on the amount of HFCs used for refilling of mobile A/C has been available and applied for the years 2009 - 2011, and therefore, a new approach has been implemented in the calculation of emissions from these years onward. Starting from 2009, the refilled and consumed amount of HFC-134a is calculated based on a Tier 2 top-down approach where the importers

of HFC-134a for mobile A/C systems are isolated. The consumption of HFC-134a for mobile A/C systems is used solely for refilling. Car manufacturers outside Denmark carry out initial filling. (Poulsen, 2025):

Consumption of HFC for MAC = refilled stock = emission

From 2012 onward, the applied methodology for mobile air conditioning results in a product life factor around 30 % (21-36 %). For years prior to the shift in methodology mentioned above, the product life factor was exactly 30 % as mentioned in Table 4.7.2.

2.F.1.f

The reduction in emission factor from 2010 for 2.F.1.f from 10 % to 3 % leakage rate, is implemented based on an expert judgement of when the technologies improved and next generation units were introduced to the market (Poulsen 2025). This reduction in leakage rate has been investigated and also discussed in the Nordic working group on F-gases. Based on the discussions among experts, it is clear that the level of leakage from stationary air conditioning units is in the range of 1-4 % and that this has been the level for a number of years. Considering the negligible impact on the emissions, it has been decided to use this approach with a sharp drop in 2010, until more detailed knowledge becomes available that can form the basis for recalculations.

Emissions resulting from disposal of items and equipment in the applications differ from 0-20 %. For most categories the emission is calculated as 0 % because Danish legislation ensures that management and treatment of refrigerants prevent uncontrolled emissions. For heat pumps the emission at decommissioning is estimated as 20 % due to lack of control measures with decommissioning of air-air heat pumps from private household. (Poulsen, 2025).

For heat pumps, emission from stock is a sum of annual emission over lifetime. This results in varying odd numbers for the product life factor. Emission at decommissioning is 20 % for heat pumps and 11.5 % for stationary air conditioning, the disposal loss factor presented in the CRT tables therefore ends up around 13-14 % for mainland Denmark.

Emission trends

Figure 4.7.3 present the emissions of F-gases from consumption of HFCs and PFCs in the individual sub-categories of refrigeration and air conditioning systems.

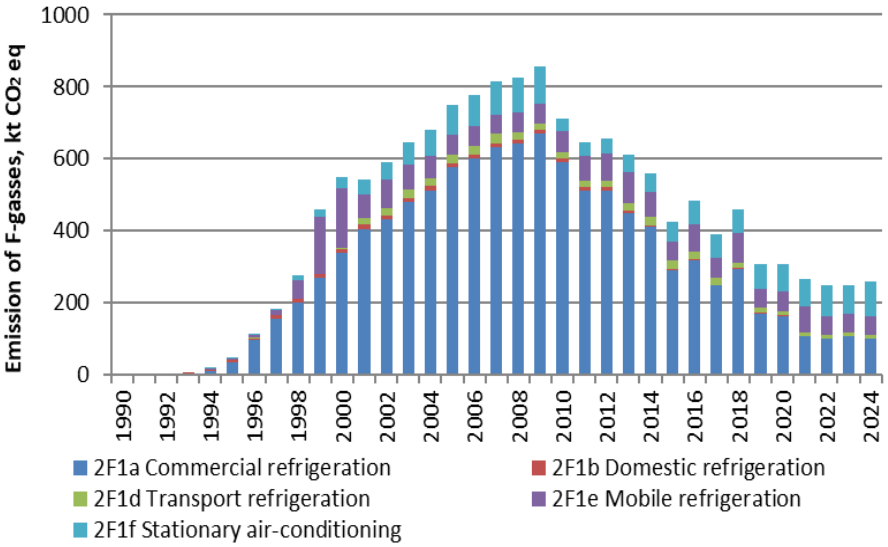


Figure 4.7.3 Emissions from refrigeration and air conditioning.

F-gas emissions from commercial refrigeration are dominating the overall emissions from this source. Hence, the increasing trend from the mid-1990s to 2009 and the subsequent decrease in emissions are explained in Chapter 4.7.2 Emissions.

The decrease in emissions from mobile air -conditioning in the recent years, is related to the lower consumption of HFC-134a. HFO-1234yf (GWP value of <1) is increasingly being used as a substitute for HFC-134a in new mobile air conditioning systems. HFO-1234yf is not reported under the UNFCCC in accordance with the reporting guidelines and is therefore not included in this report.

Time series consistency and completeness

Emissions from decommissioning of domestic refrigeration appliances are reported as "Not Estimated" (NE) in the CRT tables. Direct contact to the Danish industry for destruction of ozone-depleting substances, confirms that no F-gas emissions escape the combustion at extremely high temperatures. However, in acceptance of the possibility of miniscule amounts of F-gases, the notation key is as mentioned "NE".

Estimations of the potential emission from decommissioning show that these are well below 0.05 % of the national total greenhouse gas emission. Using a removal efficiency of 99.99 % and considering that only 50 % of appliances are treated in Denmark, the potential emission at decommissioning is 0.5 - 8.2 t CO_2-eqv. (0.000001 % - 0.00001 % of national total emission incl. LULUCF) and thereby negligible.

The time series is considered complete and consistent.

4.7.5 Foam blowing agents

2.F.2 Foam blowing agents consists of the following processes:

- Closed cells (hard PUR foam plastics and polyether foam)
- Open cells (soft PUR foam plastics)

In Denmark, five specific processes have occurred during the time series, i.e. foam in household fridges and freezers (closed cell), soft foam (open cell),

joint filler (open cell), foaming of polyether (PE) for shoe soles (closed cell) and system foam for panels, insulation etc. (closed cell).

Methodological issues

The methodology used varies between the different processes. For all processes the methodology corresponds to the Tier 2 level of IPCC (2006). For some processes a bottom-up methodology is applied while for others a top-down approach or a combination of top-down and bottom-up is used. For more information on the details of the applied methodology, please refer to Poulsen (2025).

Activity data

The data collection is described in the Chapter 4.7.3 General methodology.

There is no longer production of HFC-based hard polyurethane (PUR) insulation foam in Denmark. This production has been banned in statutory order since 1. January 2006 (MIM, 2002). Extensions to the phase out were given to a few producers of specialised foam products, e.g. for thermostats (HFC-152a consumption in 2006-2016 and 2022) and system foams (HFC-134a consumption in 2006-2010).

Emission factors

The applied emission factors for foam blowing agents are presented in Table 4.7.3 (Poulsen, 2025 – Appendix 3).

Table 4.7.3 Applied emission factors for foam blowing agents (2.F.2).

	Consumption %	Stock %	Lifetime years
Foam in household fridges and freezers (closed cell)	10[4]	4.5[4]	15[5]
Soft foam (open cell)[1]	100[4]		
Joint filler (open cell)[1]	100[4]		
Foaming of polyether for shoe soles (closed cell)	15[5]	4.5[5]	3[5]
System foam (for panels, insulation, etc.)	0[2]	-[3]	

[1]100 % emission during the first year after production. [2] HFC is used as a component in semi-manufactured goods and emissions first occur when the goods are put into use. [3] System foam is only produced for export. [4] IPCC (2006) default, [5] Danish default.

System foam is produced in a closed environment and is only produced for export. Therefore, the consumption of HFCs does not contribute to the Danish stock.

The emission factors for foam in fridges and freezers, soft foam and joint filler are default values from (IPCC, 2006[9]). The emission factors for foaming of polyether are country specific (Poulsen, 2025).

The F-gases remaining in products at decommissioning (closed cell products) are destroyed by incineration and hence there are no F-gas emissions related to disposal of these products. However, accepting that the destruction of F-gasses might, theoretically only be 99 %, the notation key applied in the CRT tables for emissions from disposal is "NE" (not estimated). Emissions that might potentially escape incineration at the specialised incineration plants

[9] Volume 3: Industrial Processes and Product Use, Chapter 7.4.2.1: Foam blowing agents, Choice of method, Table 7.5, page 7.35 and Chapter 7.4.2.3: Foam blowing agents, Choice of activity data, page 7.38.

with extremely high temperatures, have been estimated and proven insignificant, see the section on completeness below.

Emission trends

Figure 4.7.4 presents the emissions of F-gases from consumption of HFCs in foam blowing agents.

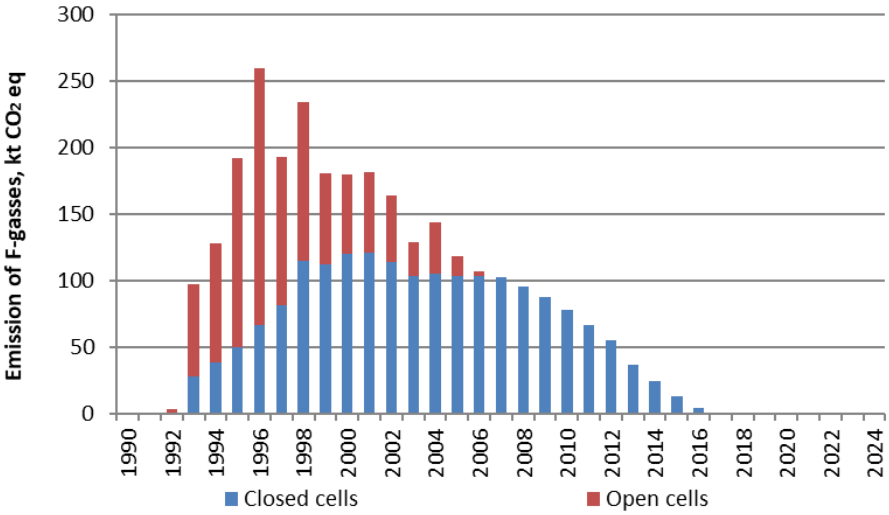


Figure 4.7.4 Emissions from foam blowing agents.

The sharp fluctuations in the time series are caused by fluctuations in the consumption of HFCs in production of open cell foam. Fluctuations in production activity data are directly reflected in the emissions as the open cell foams have an emission factor of 100 % at manufacture. For the later part of the time series, the trend reflects the limited use of HFCs and reflects the emission from the stock of previous use of HFCs.

Time series consistency and completeness

Emissions from decommissioning of hard foam (closed cells) are reported as "Not Estimated" (NE) in the CRT tables. Direct contact to the Danish industry for destruction of ozone-depleting substances, confirms that no F-gas emissions escape the combustion at extremely high temperatures. However, in acceptance of the possibility of miniscule amounts of F-gases escaping the destruction, the notation key is as mentioned "NE".

Estimations of the potential emission from decommissioning show that these are well below 0.05 % of the national total greenhouse gas emission. Using a removal efficiency of 99 % and considering that only 50 % of products are treated in Denmark, the potential emission at decommissioning is 18 – 774 t CO_2-eqv. (0.00003 % - 0.001 % of national total emission incl. LULUCF) and thereby negligible.

The time series is considered complete and consistent.

4.7.6 Fire protection

No HFCs or PFCs are used in fire protection in Denmark. The use of halogen substituted hydrocarbons has been banned since 1977 (MIM, 1977), this ban is still in place (MIM, 2015).

The use of halons is regulated by MIM (2025), while strictly regulated, they are still permitted for certain uses. Halon-1301 has been used in planes, in the

military, in server rooms and on ships. New fire protection systems use other technologies, e.g. early fire detection, inert gases or gas mixtures (argon, nitrogen and CO_2) or water vapour. For mobile systems halon-1211 has been replaced with CO_2 or foam fire extinguishers.

4.7.7 Aerosols

2.F.4 Aerosols consist of HFCs used for:

- 2.F.4.b Propellant in aerosols
- 2.F.4.a Metered dose inhalers

Methodological issues

The general data collection process is described in the section 4.7.3 General methodology.

For HFC use as propellant in aerosol cans the IPCC (2006) Tier 2a default methodology is used. For metered dose inhalers (MDI) a Tier 2 bottom-up approach is used. A default emission factor of 50 % of the initial charge per year is used for both aerosols and MDIs.

Information on propellant consumption is derived from reports on consumption from the only major producers of HFC-containing aerosol sprays in Denmark. The import and export are estimated by the producer.

From 1 January 2018, HFCs with GWP>150 were banned from use as propellants in aerosols, except if required to meet national safety standards or when used for medical application.

Information on consumption of F-gasses in MDIs is based on data from the national medical trade statistic and information on product content of HFCs from the producers.

As all F-gasses are assumed to be released during the product lifetime for all aerosols, there are no F-gasses remaining in products at decommissioning and therefore no emission from decommissioning and no recovery of F-gasses. The notation key used for these is therefore "NO" (not occurring).

Activity data

From 2019, the use of HFC-134a is phased out and substituted with HFO-1234ze[10] (GWP value of 7) as propellants in aerosols for specific industrial purposes. 2019 will therefore be the last year of submitted HFC emissions from source category 2.F.4.b Other aerosols (Propellant in aerosols).

HFC-134a has been used in medical MDIs since 1998, but HFC-227ea is only introduced from 2015.

Emission factors

The applied emission factors are presented in Table 4.7.4 (Poulsen, 2025).

[10] HFOs are not reported under the UNFCCC and is therefore not included in this report.

Table 4.7.4 Applied emission factors for aerosols/medical dose inhalers.

	Consumption/filling	Stock	Lifetime
Aerosols	0 %	50 % first year 50 % second year	2 years
Medical dose inhalers	0 %	50 % first year 50 % second year	2 years

Emission trends

Figure 4.7.5 presents the emissions of F-gases from consumption of HFCs in aerosols.

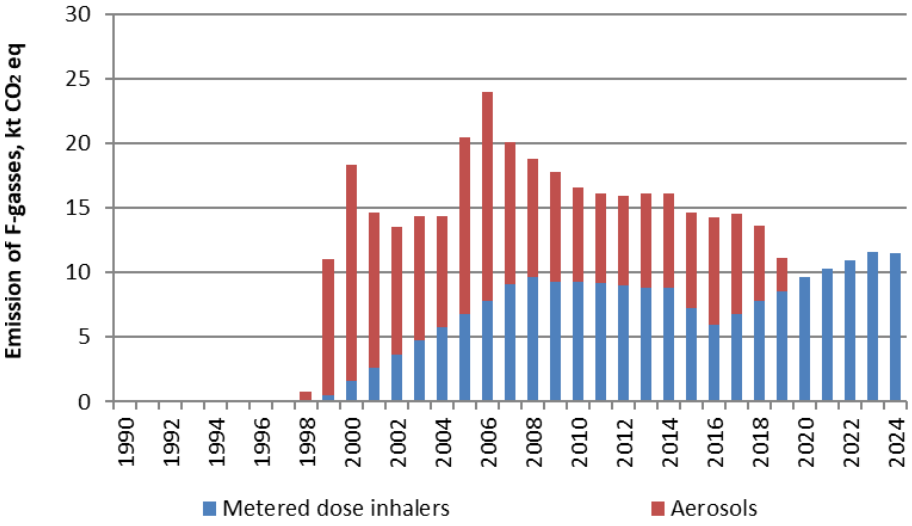


Figure 4.7.5 Emissions from aerosols.

Due to the methodology used, the fluctuations in the time series are a result of changes in import, production and export. Baring these fluctuations in mind the emission level has been rather constant at a level between 14 and 24 kt CO_2 equivalents in 2000-2018 but has dropped to 10-12 kt CO_2 equivalents from 2019 due to the phase out of HFC-134a in Aerosols.

Time series consistency and completeness

The time series is considered complete and consistent.

4.7.8 Solvents

C_3F_8 was used as cleaner from 2000 to 2002 (emissions in 2000-2003) and the use then ceased following the ban in accordance with the Executive Order (MIM, 2002).

Methodological issues

The methodology used is the IPCC (2006) default and the fraction of chemical emitted from solvents in the year of initial use is assumed to be 50 % in line with good practice. The other 50 % is assumed to be emitted in the second year and hence there is no subtraction of any F-gasses sent to destruction in the solvents sector.

Activity data

The general data collection process is described in the section 4.7.3 General methodology.

Information on consumption of PFCs in liquid cleaners is derived from two importers' sales reports. This is representing 100 % of the Danish consumption.

Emission factors

In accordance with IPCC (2006)[11], the emission factor is 50 % in year 1 and 50 % in year 2.

Emission trends

Figure 4.7.6 presents the emissions of F-gases from consumption of PFCs used as solvents.

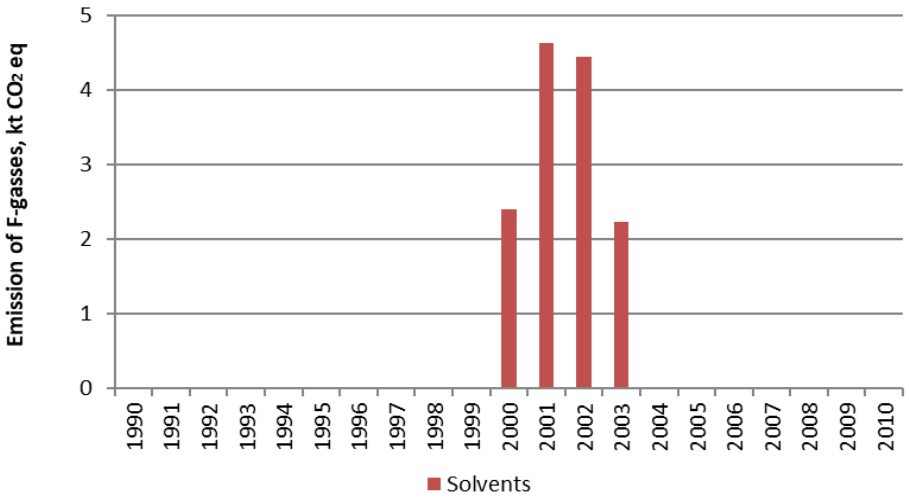


Figure 4.7.6 Emissions from PFCs used as solvents.

As mentioned, the use of PFCs as solvent only occurred from 2000 to 2002 and hence emissions only occurred from 2000 to 2003.

Time series consistency and completeness

The time series is considered complete and consistent.

4.8 Other Product Manufacture and Use

4.8.1 Emissions

Total greenhouse gas emissions from the *Other Product Manufacture and Use* (2.G) sector are available in the CRT Table 10. The emission time series for the source categories within 2.G are presented in Figure 4.8.1 and individually in the subsections below (Sections 4.8.3 – 4.8.7). The following figure gives an overview of which source categories contribute the most throughout the time series.

[11] Volume 3: Industrial Processes and Product Use, Chapter 7.2.2.1: Solvents (non-aerosol), Choice of method, Equation 7.5, page 7.23 and Chapter 7.2.2.2: Solvents (non-aerosol), Choice of activity data, page 7.24.

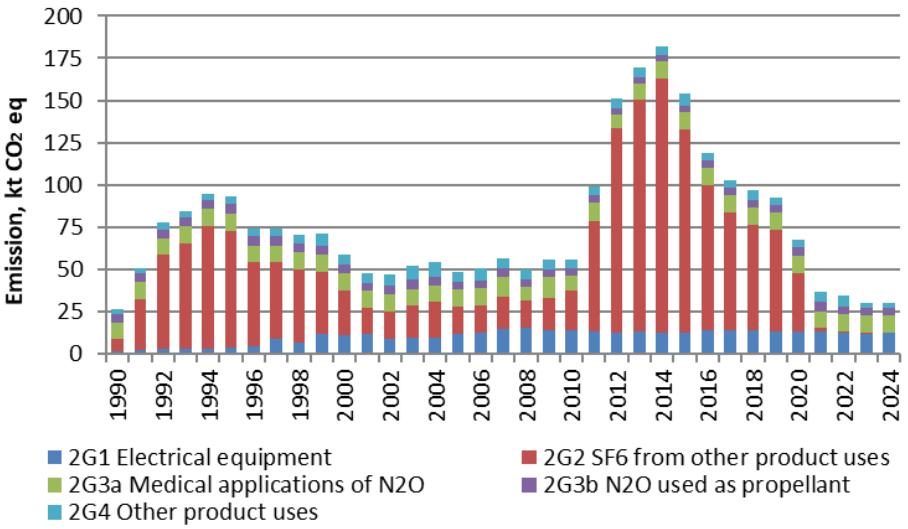


Figure 4.8.1 Emission of CO_2 equivalents from the individual source categories compiling *2.G Other Product Manufacture and Use*.

The significant increase in emissions of *SF_6 from other product use* from 2011 onwards is caused by the modelled disposal of double-glazed windows containing SF_6. The first windows containing SF_6 were introduced in 1991 and with an estimated lifetime of 20 years, the first disposal emissions are estimated to occur in 2011. As the use of SF_6 in double-glazed windows stopped after 2001, the last emissions from this specific use of SF_6 is reported in 2021.

4.8.2 Electrical equipment

Use of electrical equipment (2.G.1.b) is the only source relevant for the Danish inventories in the sub sector of 2.G.1 *Electrical equipment*.

Methodological issues

High voltage power switches are filled or refilled with SF_6, either for new installation or during service and repair. Filling is usually carried out on new installations and a smaller proportion of the consumption of SF_6 is due to refilling.

The methodology uses annual data from importers' statistics with detailed information on the use of the gas. This corresponds to the country-level mass-balance Tier 3c methodology of IPCC (2006). Emissions are calculated from manufacture and from stock using relevant emissions factors.

A release of 5 per cent on filling with new gas is applied for years until 2022, and a release of 0.25 per cent is applied for 2023 onward. The reduction in emission factor from 2023, has been investigated, and also discussed in the Nordic working group on F-gases. The implementation is based on an expert judgement. The gradual release of 0.5 per cent from the stock is applied for the entire time series. These figures are averages, covering normal operation and failure/accidents. (Poulsen, 2025).

No emissions are assumed to result from disposal since the used SF_6 is drawn off from the power switches and re-used internally by the sole Danish supplier (Siemens) or appropriately disposed of through waste collection schemes. The notation key used for the activity data for the amount of SF_6 remaining in products at decommissioning of electrical equipment in the CRT is therefore "not occurring" (NO).

The general data collection process for F-gases is described in Chapter 4.7.3 General methodology.

Activity data

Information on consumption of SF_6 in high-voltage power switches is derived from importers' sales reports (gas or gas-containing products). The importers account for 100 % of the Danish sales of SF_6 for this purpose.

The electricity sector also provides information on the installation of new plants and thus whether the stock is increasing.

Emission factors

The applied emission factors are country specific values and are presented in Table 4.8.1. Special attention has been given to use of SF_6 as insulation in high-voltage plants (Poulsen, 2001; ELTRA, 2004).

Table 4.8.1 Applied emission factors for other processes (Poulsen, 2025).

	Consumption/ Filling[1]	Stock, per annum	Disposal	Lifetime
Insulation gas in high voltage switches	0.25-5 %	0.5 %	0 %	-[2]

[1] The EF changes from 2023 onward, from 5 % to 0.25 % for assembly.

[2] Lifetime unknown.

Emission trends

Figure 4.8.2 presents the emissions of SF_6 from electrical equipment.

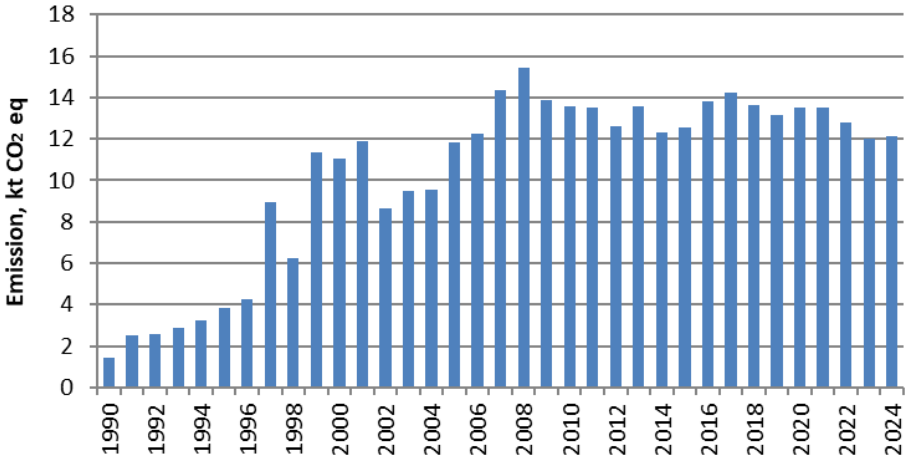


Figure 4.8.2 Emissions from SF_6 from electrical equipment.

The trend in emissions from use of SF_6 in electrical equipment has been increasing from 1990-2008. Since 2009 the emission level has been rather constant. However, significant inter-annual variations occur depending on the specific activity level in a given year.

Time series consistency and completeness

The time series is considered complete and consistent.

4.8.3 SF_6 from other product use

2.G.2 SF_6 from other product use consists of the following subcategories:

- Consumption of SF_6 in running shoes
- Consumption of SF_6 in laboratories
- Consumption of SF_6 in double-glazed windows

An overview of when emissions from these three sources occurred are available in Table 4.8.2 below.

Table 4.8.2 Occurrence of emissions from the sources compiling 2.G.2.

	From manufacture	From stocks	From disposal
Running shoes	-	-	1995-2003
Laboratories	1990-1995	1990-1998, 2001-2024	-
Windows	1991-2001	1991-2020	2011-2021

Methodological issues

The default IPCC methodology is used for laboratory use of SF_6, for double-glazed windows and for shock-absorption in running shoes. The applied emission factors are generally country specific. For more information, please refer to Poulsen (2025). Data on the consumption of SF_6 are available from the importers.

Importers/suppliers of SF_6 have been questioned with regard to their knowledge of SF_6 consumption in laboratories, but no further details could be obtained as to the breakdown in consumption between the various activities. Consumption of SF_6 in laboratories includes consumption for a particle accelerator, a radiotherapy device, electron microscopes, plasma erosion in connection with the manufacture of microchips in clean-room laboratories and to a limited extend analytical purposes. The annual consumption reached a maximum of 1.1 tonnes of SF_6 in 2013 and is below 0.8 tonnes for all other years in the time series. Due to the limited use and lack of data to distinguish between uses of SF_6, it is considered that the resources needed to improve this would be disproportional to the benefit in increased accuracy.

The current methodology for SF_6 in laboratories assumes a 50/50 release of emissions in the first two years.

Use of SF_6 in double-glazed thermal windows was banned since 1 January 2003 (MIM, 2002) and therefore phased out during 2002. The last stock emissions were emitted in 2020 and the last emissions from disposal was emitted in 2021. The stock is estimated from consumption data from Danish producers of double-glazed windows 1991-2001 and lifetime for double-glazed windows are determined to 20 years. This country specific lifetime was determined in collaboration with the Danish industry and matches the warranty. This is further corroborated by the Association of Danish Window Manufacturers (Vindues Industrien, 2024) who state an expected lifetime of 20 years.

Activity data

The data collection is described in the Chapter 4.7.3 General methodology.

Information on consumption of SF_6 in double-glazed windows is derived from importers' sales reports to the application area. The importers account for 100 % of the Danish sales of SF_6 for double-glazed windows. In addition, the largest producer of windows in Denmark has provided consumption data, with which SF_6 import information is verified.

Importers have estimated imports to Denmark of SF_6 in training footwear.

Emission factors

The applied emission factors are presented in Table 4.8.3.

Table 4.8.3 Applied emission factors for SF_6 from other product use (Poulsen, 2025).

	Consumption	Stock	Lifetime
Laboratories	50 %	50 %	2 years
Insulation gas in double-glazed windows	15 %	1 % annual	20 years
Shock-absorbing in Nike Air training footwear	-[1]	-[2]	5 years

[1] No emission from production in Denmark.
[2] Yearly emissions have been estimated to 0.11 t in 1995-2003.

Of the SF_6 filled into new manufactured double-glazed windows, 80 % is assumed to be disposed at decommissioning.

Emission trends

Figure 4.8.3 presents the emissions of SF_6 from shoes, double-glazed windows and other uses (laboratories etc.).

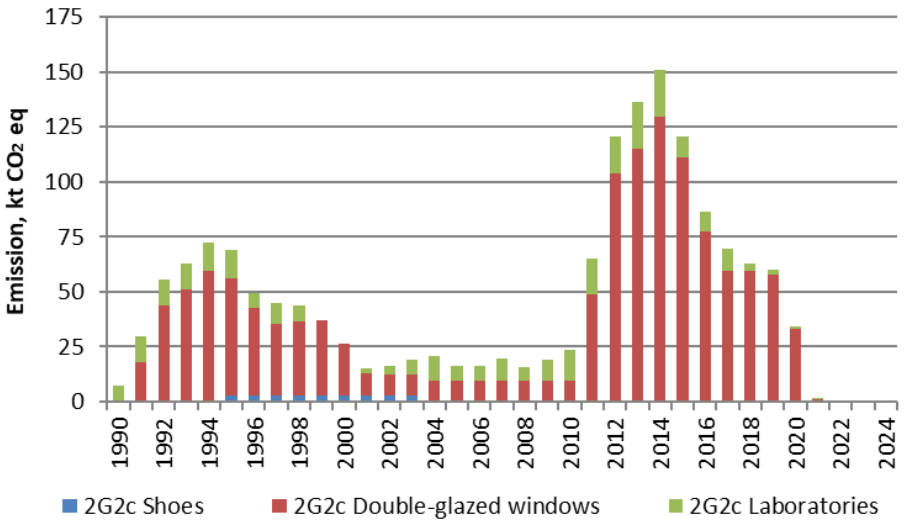


Figure 4.8.3 Emissions from SF_6 from other product use.

Double-glazed windows using SF_6 were introduced in 1991 and ceased 10 years later. While there are annual emissions, the lifetime is assumed to be 20 years meaning that all remaining SF_6 contained in the windows is assumed to be emitted 20 years after the last production, i.e. starting from 2011. Emissions of SF_6 from this source is therefore high from 2011 (where the first windows are scrapped) and the following 10 years. However, since the use of SF_6 in double-glazed windows was banned in 2002, by 2021 all emissions are assumed to have taken place.

Time series consistency and completeness

The time series is considered complete and consistent.

4.8.4 Medical applications of N_2O

The category *Medical applications* of N_2O (CRT 2.G.3.a) covers the following activity:

- Use of anaesthesia

Methodological issues

N_2O has been used as anaesthetics for more than a century but has also had other smaller applications in newer times. N_2O in this source category is predominantly used as anaesthesia and a small amount is used as fuel in race cars and in chemical laboratories.

In the mid-1990s, introduction of air quality limit values for N_2O together with requirements of expensive extraction systems reduced the application of N_2O for anaesthetics at smaller facilities like dentists.

Five companies sell N_2O in Denmark and only one company produces N_2O. N_2O is primarily used in anaesthesia by hospitals, dentists and veterinarians and in minor use in laboratories, racing cars and in the production of electronics. Due to confidentiality, data on produced amount are not available and thus the emissions related to N_2O production are not estimated. For 2005-2012, sold amounts are obtained from the respective distributors and the produced amount is estimated from communication with the company. For the remaining years, data are estimated.

Activity data

Data on total sold and estimated produced N_2O for sale in Denmark is only available for the years 2005-2012, activity data for the years 1990-2004 and 2013-2024 have therefore been estimated as the average value of 2005-2012. Activity data for the time series are presented in Table 4.8.4.

Table 4.8.4 Activity data for N_2O mainly used for medical applications, t.

	1990-2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013-2024
N_2O consumption	38[1]	37	38	43	33	46	34	42	30	38[1]

[1)] Calculated: average 2005-2012.

Emission factors

An emission factor of 1 is assumed for all uses, meaning 100 % release during consumption in the year of purchase.

Emission trends

The emission trend for the N_2O emission from medical applications is presented in Figure 4.8.4 below.

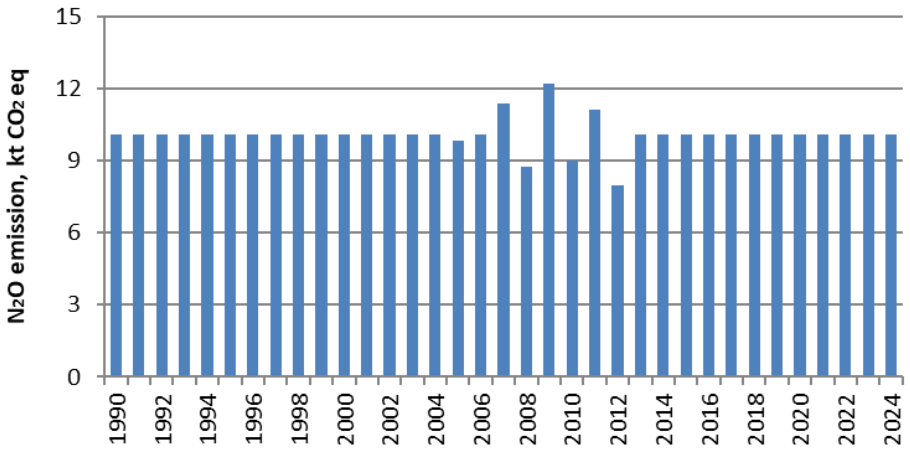


Figure 4.8.4 N_2O emissions from the use of anaesthetics.

Time series consistency and completeness

The methodology is consistent throughout the time series. It is not possible to obtain reliable data prior to 2005, but the source category is considered complete although uncertainties going back from 2005 and forth from 2012 are increasing.

4.8.5 N_2O used as propellant for pressure and aerosol products

The category *N_2O used as propellant for pressure and aerosol products* (CRT 2.G.3.b) covers the following activity:

- Aerosol can use

Methodological issues

There is a strong tradition of fresh dairy products in Danish culture and while canned whipped cream is used for e.g. hot beverages in the winter months this product is not widely used.

There are no statistics on production, import/export and/or sales of canned whipped cream in Denmark, and the content of propellant is confidential. The consumption of canned cream is therefore estimated using a country specific methodology, where the sale (i.e. consumption) is estimated as 1 % of the regular cream sale. Further assumptions made include five mass% propellant in a can, 250 ml (250 g) cream per can and 95 % release of N_2O.

Activity data

Data on total sold cream and the estimated sale of canned cream are presented in Table 4.8.5 and in Annex Table 3C-6.1.

Table 4.8.5 Consumption of cream in Denmark, t.

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2020	2022	2023	2024
Cream[1]	37378	46279	39380	37333	34835	31772	41713	39636	36487	33750
Canned cream	374	463	394	373	348	318	417	396	365	338

[1]Statistics Denmark (2025).

Emission factors

The applied emission factor is 47.5 kg N_2O per tonne canned cream sold; 5 % propellant and 95 % release.

Emission trends

The emission trend for the N_2O used as propellant is available in Annex Table 3C-6.2 but is also presented in Figure 4.8.5 below.

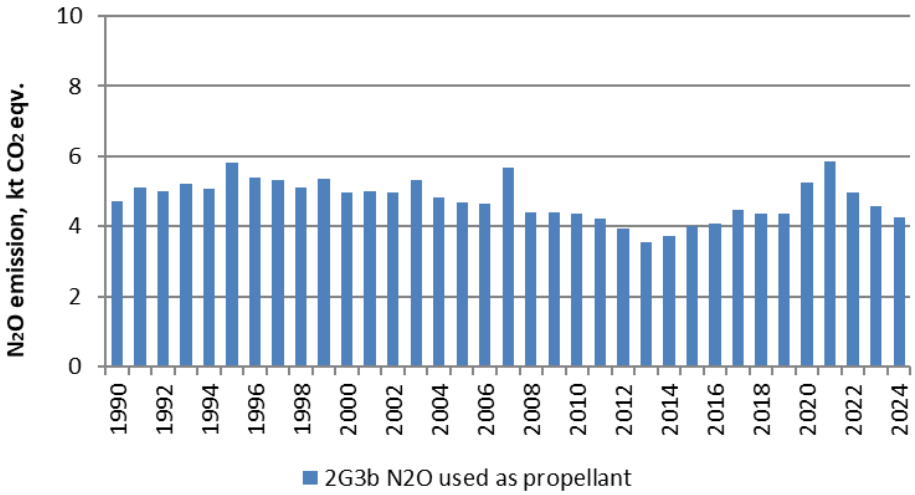


Figure 4.8.5 N_2O emissions from the use of canned whipped cream.

Time series consistency and completeness

The methodology is consistent throughout the time series. All though the estimate is rough, due to the verification provided in Hjelgaard (2023), the source category is considered complete.

4.8.6 Other product use

The category *Other Product Use* (CRT 2.G.4) covers the following activities:

- Use of fireworks: CO_2, N_2O and CH_4
- Use of tobacco: N_2O and CH_4
- Use of charcoal for barbequing: N_2O and CH_4

Methodological issues

Methane and nitrous oxide emissions are calculated for all three product uses but carbon dioxide is only relevant for fireworks since CO_2 emissions from the two remaining product uses are biogenic.

The applied methodology follows a Tier 2 technology-specific approach from EMEP/EEA (2019)[12] for calculating emissions from fireworks, tobacco and charcoal for barbecues (BBQ).

Activity data

Activity data are derived from import, export and production data from Statistics Denmark (2025) and are available in Table 4.8.6 and Annex Table 3C-6.3.

Table 4.8.6 Activity data for other product use, kt.

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2020	2022	2023	2024
Fireworks	1.3	3.0	4.9	3.7	5.4	5.8	4.2	7.1	3.4	4.0
Tobacco	13.1	11.7	11.4	10.5	9.5	7.3	6.4	5.5	5.3	4.9
Charcoal for BBQ	7.2	7.9	13.4	14.9	7.8	16.3	6.6	8.9	3.5	2.1

The assumption of the weight of cigarettes and cigars of 1 g and 5 g respectively was made to derive the activity data from Table 4.8.6.

Emission factors

Emission factors for use of fireworks, tobacco and charcoal for BBQ are found through literature studies and are presented in Table 4.8.7.

Table 4.8.7 Emission factors for other product use.

	Unit	Fireworks[1]	Tobacco[2]	BBQ[3]
CO_2	kg/t	43.3	NA	NA
N_2O	kg/t	1.94	0.06	0.03
CH_4	kg/t	0.83	3.2	5.9

NA: Not applicable, [1] Netherlands National Water Board (2008), [2] Emission factors for wood (111A) in residential plants (1.A.4.b i), the energy content used in the calculation is the average of wood pills and wood waste (16.1 GJ/t), [3] IPCC (2006), calculated using default EFs[13] a net calorific value[14].

[12] 2.D.3.i- 2.G Other solvent and product use, Chapter 3.3 Tier 2 technology-specific approach.
[13] IPCC (2006), Volume 2: Energy, Chapter 2.3.2.1 Stationary combustion, Tier 1, Table 2.4, page 2.21, solid biofuels, charcoal.
[14] IPCC (2006), Volume 2: Energy, Chapter 1.4.1.3 Introduction, Activity data sources, Table 1.2, page 1.19, solid biofuels, charcoal.

Emission trends

The emission trend for the greenhouse gases from other product use is available in Annex Table 3C-6.4 and in Figure 4.8.6 below.

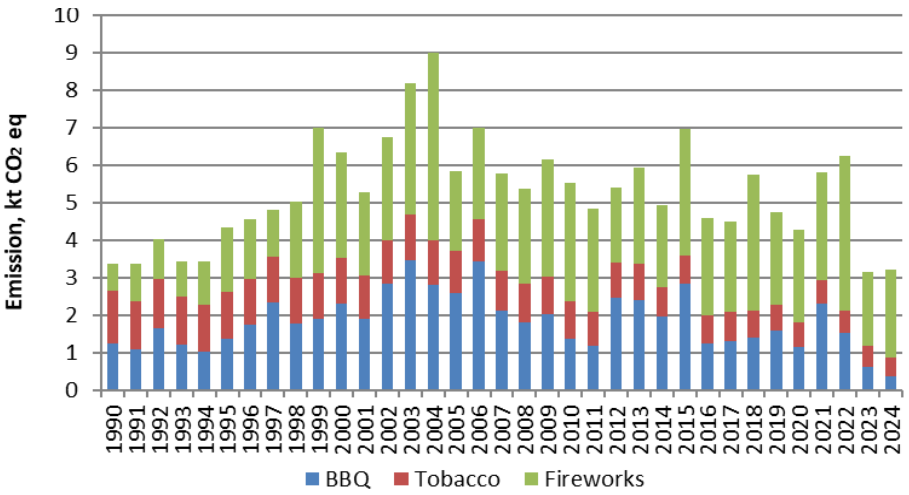


Figure 4.8.6 Greenhouse gas emissions from other product use.

The consumption of charcoal for BBQs is highly influenced by the summer season weather, and the number of smokers has been decreasing throughout the time series.

For fireworks, two peaks are visible in the time series, the peak in 1999 is caused by the celebration of the new millennia and the peak in 2004 by the Seest incident where 284 t net explosive mass (NEM) corresponding to a gross weight of about 1.5 kt of fireworks exploded (Report Seest, 2005). From 2005, the new restrictions put on fireworks meant a lower general consumption than before 2004, but the increasing trend continues – however, much slower.

Time series consistency and completeness

The time series is considered complete for the included sources; the time series is also consistent all though some data (e.g. cross-border shopping of tobacco) are estimated for some historical years. For more information. Please refer to Hjelgaard 2023).

4.9 Uncertainty assessment and time-series consistency

4.9.1 Uncertainty input data

The source specific uncertainties for industrial processes and product uses are presented in Table 4.9.1. The uncertainties are based on IPCC (2006) combined with assessment of the individual processes.

Mineral Industry

The single Danish producer of cement has delivered the activity data for production as well as calculated the emission factor based on quality measurements. For activity data, there is a shift in methodology from 1997 to 1998. Prior to 1998 activity data are derived by the Tier 2 (1-2 % uncertainty) methodology for grey cement production and the Tier 1 (<35 % uncertainty) for white cement production (20-25 % of total production). Activity data have fulfilled the Tier 3 methodology since 1998 and is assumed to have an uncertainty of 1 %. Since uncertainties cannot vary over time in Approach 1 uncertainty calculations, the activity data uncertainty is assumed to be 1.6 % for the

entire time series. The estimation of emission factors fulfils the Tier 3 methodology for the entire time series and uncertainties are therefore assumed to be 2 %.

The activity data for production of lime, including non-marketed lime in the sugar production, are based on information compiled from the individual producers. The uncertainty for the entire time series is assumed to be 1.4 % for activity data. The emission factor for marketed lime production covers one company producing a variety of high calcium products, assumptions that influence the uncertainty includes the assumptions of no impurities, 100 % calcination and for sugar production also the assumptions on the lime consumption and sugar content in beets. Since 2006 and the introduction of EU-ETS data, the uncertainty decreased as many of the mentioned assumptions were no longer needed, the combined uncertainty for emission factors is estimated to be 4 %.

The activity data uncertainty associated with glass production (including glass wool production) are low for recent years (EU-ETS data) but higher for historic years (carbonate data were not available for 1990-1996 and were therefore estimated for these years), since uncertainties cannot vary over time in Approach 1 calculations, activity data uncertainties are assumed to be 1 % for the entire time series. Uncertainties associated with the emission factors from glass production are low. Denmark uses the Tier 3 methodology and therefore stoichiometric CO_2 factors, some uncertainty is however connected to assuming a calcination factor of 1, and the overall emission factor uncertainty is therefore estimated to be 2 %.

The activity data for production of ceramics are based on information compiled by Statistics Denmark and EU-ETS and the uncertainty is assumed to be 5 % (Tier 2). The emission factor is based on stoichiometric relations and the assumption of full calcination; the uncertainty is assumed to be 2 %.

The CO_2 emission from other uses of soda ash is calculated based on national statistics and the stoichiometric emission factor for soda ash (Na_2CO_3) assuming the calcination factor of 1. Uncertainties are assumed to be 5 % and 2 % for activity data and emission factor respectively.

The category "Other Process Uses of Carbonates" in the Danish inventory includes flue gas desulphurisation and stone wool production. The activity data uncertainty for flue gas desulphurisation is assumed to be 10 %. For stone wool the activity data uncertainty is low for recent years (EU-ETS data) but higher for historic years (calculated/estimated), the uncertainties are assumed to be 2 % and 15 %, respectively. The overall activity data uncertainties for other process uses of carbonates are assumed to be 4 %. The uncertainty of the stoichiometric emission factors for both source categories is assumed to be 2 %.

Chemical Industry

The producers have registered the production of nitric acid during many years and, therefore, the activity data uncertainty is assumed to be 2 %. The measurement of N_2O is problematic and is only carried out for one year. Therefore, the emission factor uncertainty is assumed to be 25 %.

For production of catalysts, the uncertainty for the activity data as well as for the emission factors (CH_4 and N_2O) are assumed to be 5 %.

Metal Industry

The uncertainty for the activity data and emission factor is assumed to be 5 % and 10 % respectively for production of secondary steel.

The uncertainty for the activity data and emission factor is assumed to be 10 % and 30 % respectively for production of magnesium (SF_6) and 10 % and 50 % respectively for lead production.

Non-Energy Products from Fuels and Solvent Use

Emissions from consumption of lubricant oil is derived from the energy statistics and standard emission factors. Uncertainties are assumed to be 5 % and 10 % respectively for activity data and emission factors.

For paraffin wax use the activity data are known for the entire time series (Statistics Denmark) and emission factors from literature. The fraction of candles made from beeswax is unknown, beeswax candles emit biogenic CO_2. Candles produced and sold at e.g. souvenir shops (less than 10 employees) are not included in the activity data from Statistics Denmark. Uncertainties are assumed to be 10 % and 20 % respectively for the two data sets.

While the activity data for road paving with asphalt are known for the entire time series from Statistics Denmark (uncertainty set at 5 %), the emission factor (CH_4) is set at 75 % uncertainty.

Activity data for urea based catalysts are calculated by the COPERT 5 model. The emission factor includes a number of assumptions. Uncertainties are assumed to be 5 % and 10 % for activity data and emission factors respectively.

Product Uses as Substitutes for Ozone depleting Substances

Uncertainty varies from substance to substance. Uncertainty is highest for HFC-134a due to its widespread application in products imported and exported. The largest uncertainty in the analysis of substances by application areas is assessed to concern the breakdown of consumption of HFC-404A and HFC-134a between commercial stationary refrigerators and mobile A/C systems. This breakdown is significant for the short-term (about 5 years) emissions calculations but will balance in the long term. This is because the breakdown is only significant for the rate at which emissions are released. (Poulsen, 2026).

The emission of F-gases is dominated by emissions from refrigeration equipment and therefore, the uncertainties assumed for this sector will be used for all the F-gases. The IPCC propose an uncertainty at 30-40 % for regional estimates. However, Danish statistics have been developed over many years and, therefore the uncertainty on activity data is assumed to be 10 %. The uncertainty on the emission factor is assumed to be 50 %.

Other Product Manufacture and Use

The uncertainties for SF_6 in electrical equipment and from other product use are equal to those of the F-gasses in 2.F Product uses as substitutes for ODS, i.e. 10 % and 50 % for activity data and emission factors respectively.

The uncertainty of N_2O used for medical applications is assumed to be 25 % for activity data and 20 % for the emission factor.

The uncertainty of N_2O used as propellant for pressure and aerosol products is estimated to be 100 % for activity data and 150 % for the emission factor.

The main issues leading to uncertainties for activity data for "Other Product Use" are collection of data for quantifying production, import and export of products. Some data, like private import (cross-border shopping) of fireworks, are not available. Other missing data like the composition of mineral containing charcoal for barbequing are unobtainable due to confidentiality. The uncertainty for activity data for all three product uses (fireworks, tobacco and BBQs) is estimated to be 5 %. Reliable emission factors are difficult to obtain for the other product use categories. Some chosen emission factors apply to countries that are not directly comparable to Denmark and hereby is introduced an increased uncertainty. The uncertainties for emission factors are estimated to be 50 % for fireworks, 50 % for tobacco and 100 % for barbecues.

4.9.2 Approach 1 uncertainty

All uncertainty input values are discussed in Section 4.9.1 above. Table 4.9.1 presents the uncertainty inputs for activity data and emission factors and the calculated total emission and uncertainty for Approach 1 for the individual pollutants. The total greenhouse gas emission from the IPPU sector in 2024 is 1369 kt CO_2 equivalents and the calculated Approach 1 uncertainty for the year is 9.8 %. The trend decreases with 30.5 % during the time series and the trend uncertainty is 10.4 %.

Table 4.9.1 Input uncertainties and calculated Approach 1 emission and uncertainties.

	Activity data uncertainty	Emission factor uncertainty					
		CO_2	CH_4	N_2O	HFCs	PFCs	SF_6
CRT Category	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
2.A.1 Cement production	1.6	2					
2.A.2 Lime production	1.4	4					
2.A.3 Glass production	1	2					
2.A.4.a Ceramics	5	2					
2.A.4.b Other uses of soda ash	5	2					
2.A.4.d Other process uses of carbonates	4	2					
2.B.2 Nitric acid production[1]	2			25			
2.B.10 Catalysts/fertiliser production	5	5		5			
2.C.1 Iron and steel production	5	10					
2.C.4 Magnesium production	10						30
2.C.5 Secondary lead production	10	50					
2.D.1 Lubricant use	5	10					
2.D.2 Paraffin wax use	10	20	20	20			
2.D.3 Road paving with asphalt	5		75				
2.D.3 Urea from fuel consumption	5	10					
2.E Other electronics industry	10					50	
2.F.1 Refrigeration and air conditioning	10				50	50	
2.F.2 Foam blowing agents	10				50		
2.F.4 Aerosols	10				50		
2.F.5 Solvents[2]	-						
2.G.1 Electrical equipment	10						50
2.G.2 SF_6 from other product use	10						50
2.G.3a Medical application	25			20			
2.G.3b Propellant for pressure and aerosol products	100			150			
2.G.4 Fireworks	5	50	50	50			
2.G.4 Tobacco	5		50	50			
2.G.4 Barbecues	5		100	100			
Emission 2024, kt		1034	0.1	0.2	269[3]	0.01[3]	12.5[3]
Overall uncertainty in 2024, %		2.5	40.8	17.2	48.8	51.0	49.5
Trend 1990-2024, %		1.3	-40.5	-94.4	-[4]	-[4]	-68.0
Trend uncertainty, %		2.2	20.0	1.7	-[4]	-[4]	17.4

[1] The production closed down in the middle of 2004.
[2] Uncertainties are not calculated for this source category because the activity occurs in neither 1990 nor 2024.
[3] CO_2 equivalents. [4] This figure cannot be calculated as the emission in 1990 is zero.

4.9.1 Time series consistency and completeness

The evaluation of time series consistency and completeness for the IPPU sector, is done for each of the 26 source categories individually and presented in the respective chapters.

4.10 Category-specific QA/QC and verification

4.10.1 Internal QA/QC

The approach used for quality assurance/quality control (QA/QC) is presented in Chapter 1.6; see also Nielsen et al. (2020). The present chapter presents QA/QC considerations for industrial processes and product use based on a series of Points of Measuring (PMs); see Chapter 1.6.

Data Storage level 1	1. Accuracy	DS.1.1.1	General level of uncertainty for every dataset including the reasoning for the specific values.

The uncertainty assessment has been performed on Approach 1 level by using default and country specific uncertainty factors. The applied uncertainty factors are presented in Chapter 4.9.

The sources of data described in the methodology sections and in DS.1.2.1 and DS.1.3.1 are used. It is the accuracy of these data that define the uncertainty of the inventory calculations. Any data value obtained from Statistics Denmark, environmental reports or from communication with industries are given as a single point estimate and no probability range or uncertainty is associated with this value. Information from reports is sometimes given in ranges. Uncertainties are therefore assessed from DCE judgement and guidebook estimates.

Data Storage level 1	2.Comparability	DS.1.2.1	Comparability of the emission factors/calculation parameters with data from international guidelines, and evaluation of major discrepancies.

Comparability of the data has not been performed at "Data Storage level 1". However, investigation of comparability at CRT level is in progress and is described in verification sections under each source category in Hjelgaard (2023) as they are performed.

The applied data sets are presented in Table 4.10.1.

Production and import/export data from Statistics Denmark for single products/compounds can be directly compared with data from Eurostat for other countries. This has been done for a few chosen products/chemicals and countries. Furthermore, chosen Danish data from Eurostat have been validated with data from Statistics Denmark in order to check the consistency in data transfer from national to international databases.

Data Storage level 1	3.Completeness	DS.1.3.1	Ensuring that the best possible national data for all sources are included, by setting down the reasoning behind the selection of datasets.

The data sources - in general - can be grouped as follows:

- Company specific environmental reports.
- Personal communication with individual companies.
- Company specific information compiled by Danish Energy Agency in relation to the EU-ETS.
- Industrial organisations.
- Statistics Denmark.
- Secondary literature.
- IPCC guidelines.

The environmental reports contribute with company-specific emission factors, technical information and, in some cases, activity data. The environmental reports are primarily used for large companies and, for some companies, are supplemented with information from personal contacts, especially for completion of the time series for the years before the legal requirement to prepare environmental reports (i.e. prior to 1996) and after the removal of the requirement (i.e. after 2014).

For reports from and personal contacts with industrial branches it is fundamental to have information from the industrial branches that have direct contact with the activities, e.g. products of interest. The information can be in the form of personal communication, but also reported surveys are of great importance. In contrast to the more generic approach of collecting information from large databases, the expert information from industries may give valuable information on specific production processes, chemicals and/or products and industrial activities. By considering both sources a verification as well as optimum reliability and accuracy is obtained.

Statistics Denmark is often used as source for activity data as they are able to provide consistent data for the entire time series. In the cases where the statistics do not contain transparent data, statistics from industrial organisations are used to generate the required activity data. Statistics Denmark is used as the main database for collecting data on production, import and export of products/compounds and in some cases surrogate data. The amount of data is very comprehensive and is linked with the data present in Eurostat whenever possible. The database covers all sectors and is regarded as complete on a national level.

For some of the processes, the default emission factors are based on chemical equations (stoichiometric) and are, therefore, the best choice. In some cases, the default emission factor has been modified in order to reflect local conditions.

Secondary literature may be used in the interpretation or in disaggregation of the public statistics.

Data Storage level 1	4.Consistency	DS.1.4.1	The original external data has to be archived with proper reference.

The original data files are archived in the following folder:

O:\Tech_ENVS-Luft-Emi\Inventory\2024\2_IPPU\Level_1a_Storage.

All data extracted from the internet (e.g. Statistics Denmark, online PRTR) are saved as original copies in their original form. Specific information from industries and experts are saved as e-mails and reports.

Data Storage level 1	6.Robustness	DS.1.6.1	Explicit agreements between the external institution holding the data and DCE about the condition of delivery.

An agreement regarding inclusion of information - compiled by Danish Energy Agency for EU-ETS - in the Danish greenhouse gas inventory has been signed. The implementation of this information has been introduced for production of cement, lime production, glass production, glass wool production, bricks, expanded clay products, flue gas desulphurisation and stone wool production.

Data Storage level 1	7.Transparency	DS.1.7.1	Listing of all archived datasets and external contacts.

The datasets applied are presented in Table 4.10.1. For the reasoning behind their selection, see DS.1.3.1.

Table 4.10.1 Applied datasets (archived in: O:\Tech_ENVS-Luft-Emi\Inventory\2024\2_IPPU\Level_1a_Storage).

\Grønne regnskaber\	Ardagh Glass Holmegaard GR 2013
	Danisco Assens GR 2007
	Faxe Kalk GR 2013
	Haldor Topsøe GR 2012
	Kemira GR 2005
	Nordic Sugar Nakskov Miljøberetning 2012
	Nordic Sugar Nykøbing GR 2009
	Rockwool Miljøredegørelse 2013
	Saint-Gobain Isover GR 2014
	Stålvalseværket GR 2000
	Aalborg Portland 2019 Miljøredegørelse
\CO_2 kvote indberetninger\	Ceramics (folder with 16 files)
	Ardagh Glass Holmegaard EU-ETS
	Haldor Topsøe EU-ETS
	Isover EU-ETS
	Nordic Sugar Nakskov EU-ETS
	Rockwool Doense EU-ETS
	Rockwool Vamdrup EU-ETS
	Aalborg Portland EU-ETS
\Danmarks Statistik\	Afgrøder
	Animal feed
	Asphalt
	BBQ
	Beverages
	Bread
	Bricks and tiles
	Cast iron
	Catalysts
	Chemical ingredients
	Coffee
	Construction, road
	Construction, rådata
	Construction.accdb
	Expanded clay
	Fats
	Fireworks
	Fløde
	Folketal
	Meat
	Paraffin wax
	Rødgods
	Slaughterhouse waste
	Soda ash
	Solvents
	Stenbrud og minedrift
	Stenuld
	Sugar production
	Tobacco

Data Processing level 1	1. Accuracy	DP.1.1.1	Uncertainty assessment for every data source not part of DS.1.1.1 as input to Data Storage level 2 in relation to type and scale of variability.

The uncertainty assessment has been performed on Approach 1 level, assuming a normal distribution of activity data as well as emission data, by application of default uncertainty factors. Therefore, no considerations regarding distribution or type of variability have been performed.

Data Processing level 1	2.Comparability	DP.1.2.1	The methodologies have to follow the international guidelines suggested by UNFCCC and IPCC.

All methodologies follow UNFCCC and IPCC unless better national methodologies have been identified.

Data Processing level 1	3.Completeness	DP.1.3.1	Identification of data gaps with regard to data sources that could improve quantitative knowledge.

This is discussed for each source category individually in the "Time series consistency and completeness" chapters.

Data Processing level 1	4.Consistency	DP.1.4.1	Documentation and reasoning of methodological changes during the time series and the qualitative assessment of the impact on time series consistency.

Recalculations are described in the chapter 4.11. A manual log is included in the tool used for data processing at Data Processing level 2. This log also includes changes on Data Processing level 1.

Data Processing level 1	5.Correctness	DP.1.5.2	Verification of calculation results using time series.

The calculations are verified by checking the time series.

Data Processing level 1	5.Correctness	DP.1.5.3	Verification of calculation results using other measures.

The calculation of results is verified using other measures where other measurements are available. Some are presented in the "Verification" sections, in the sector report (Hjelgaard, 2023) and some are only used internally.

Data Processing level 1	7.Transparency	DP.1.7.1	The calculation principle, the equations used and the assumptions made must be described.

The calculation principles and equations are based on the methodology presented by the IPCC. A detailed description can be found in the sector report for industrial processes and product use (Hjelgaard, 2023).

Data Processing level 1	7.Transparency	DP.1.7.2	Clear reference to dataset at Data Storage level 1

The calculation files contain links to the original data files.

Data Processing level 1	7.Transparency	DP.1.7.3	A manual log to collect information about recalculations.

A log on information about recalculation is included in CollectER.

Data Processing level 2	5.Correctness	DS.2.5.1	Check if a correct data import to level 2 has been made

The sector report for industrial processes and product use (Hjelgaard, 2023) presents the connection between the datasets on Data Storage level 1 and Data Processing level 2. Individual calculations are used to check the output of the data processing tool used at Data Processing level 2.

Data Storage level 4	4. Consistency	DS.4.4.3	The IEFs from the CRT are checked regarding both level and trend. The level is compared to relevant emission factors to ensure correctness. Large dips/jumps in the time series are explained.

The implied emission factors (IEFs) are checked by using a tool developed especially for that purpose and outliers are explained.

4.10.2 External QA/QC

External QA/QC is described for one source: cement production.

Cement production

Aalborg Portland has an environmental management system that meets the requirements in ISO 14001 (Aalborg Portland, 2022). The environmental management system is part of an integrated process management system. The system is certified according to the standards by the accredited body: Danish Standards. Information on raw material consumption as well as internal recycling is compiled in an environmental database. Some pollutants (NO_x, SO_2, CO and TSP) are measured continuously. Emission of CO_2 is calculated based on (fuel and) raw material consumption and raw material flow according to an approved CO_2 emission plan (EU-ETS). The CO_2 emission plan must fulfil the requirements in the guidelines developed by EU (EU Commission, 2018).

4.11 Category-specific recalculations

Table 4.11.1 shows recalculations of the CO_2, CH_4, N_2O, HFCs, PFCs and SF_6 emissions. Emissions reported this year have been compared to emissions reported last year.

Table 4.11.1 Recalculations, %.

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2020	2021	2022	2023
CO_2	-5.06	-2.73	-1.32	-0.64	-2.02	-2.12	-2.13	-1.43	-2.96	-4.06
CH_4	NO	NO	NO	NO	0.002	0.002	0.005	0.005	-1.83	-34.68
N_2O	NO	NO	NO	NO	2E-05	8E-05	9E-06	2E-05	0.05	-3.17
HFCs		NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
PFCs		NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
SF_6		NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
GHG	-2.69	-1.58	-0.67	-0.42	-1.05	-1.39	-1.65	-1.16	-2.37	-3.36

NO: Not Occurring

The main recalculations are discussed for each sub-sector below.

4.11.1 Mineral industry

The main recalculation in the sub-sector Mineral Industry is with the source 2.A.2 Lime production.

Direct contact with the industry has made it clear that the previously applied production statistics from Statistics Denmark is faulted. Faxe Kalk is the only lime producer in Denmark in the period since 1990 and production data from Faxe Kalk are therefore now applied directly. Since data from Statistics Denmark are significantly higher, this means a decrease in emissions of 6.2 to 54.5 kt CO_2 per year. This is equivalent to decreases of 17-88 % from the source category or -0.01 % to -0.14 % of national greenhouse gas emissions.

There is also a small update in the use of soda ash from Statistics Denmark in 2023.

Table 4.11.2 Recalculations in Mineral industries, kt CO_2.

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2020	2023
Lime production	-54.5	-42.9	-23.3	-11.0	-19.5	-26.3	-33.3	-51.5
Other uses of soda ash	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-0.01

4.11.2 Chemical industry

CO_2 emissions are updated from catalyst production for 2004-2023 due to new available data. Previously, emissions were estimated for 2004-2023, but now, data reported by the singular catalyst producer are applied. This change results in decreased emissions for 2004, 2005 and 2008 of -0.06 to -0.29 kt CO_2, and increases for 2006-2007 and 2009-2023 of 0.06 to 2.24 kt CO_2. Only emissions for 2020-2023 increase more than 2 kt CO_2.

Table 4.11.3 Recalculations in Chemical industries, kt CO_2.

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2020	2023
Catalyst production	-	-	-	-0.06	0.28	1.47	2.17	2.11

4.11.3 Metal industry

No recalculations.

4.11.4 Non-energy products from fuels and solvent use

The largest recalculations in this sub-category are made for Paraffin wax use (2023) and Use of urea in catalysts (2001-2023). Minor recalculations also occur for Lubricant use (1996 and 1999) and Road paving with asphalt (2023). Changes made for Urea based catalysts are caused by the annual update of the traffic model, specifically the change in road work (total km driven) for heavy-duty vehicles equipped with SCR catalysts. The changes in emissions from lubricant use, are caused by the addition of more decimals for historic years. All other changes made in the Non-energy products from fuels and solvent use (2.D) category, are related to updated activity data from Statistics Denmark.

Table 4.11.4 Recalculations in Non-energy products from fuels and solvent use, t CO_2 eqv.

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2020	2023
Use of urea in catalysts	-	-	-	0.4	104.2	258.2	124.9	20.4
Lubricant use	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Paraffin wax use	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	256.9
Road paving with asphalt	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-0.11
Total	-	-	-	0.4	104.2	258.2	124.9	277.3

4.11.5 Electronic industry

No recalculations.

4.11.6 Product uses as substitutes for ODS

No recalculations.

4.11.7 Other product manufacture and use

All recalculations made in this sub-category are results of updated data from Statistics Denmark. Recalculations are primarily limited to the years 2022 and 2023, but minor changes are also made for 2007-2021.

- Charcoal for barbeques: The SITC database series (owned by the UN) was not updated in time for reporting in this submission. Therefore, a switch to the corresponding Danish data series was made. Switching to the KN8Y data series means that bamboo charcoal can now be added to the activity data from 2007 onwards (it is already included for 1990-2006). This results in increases of 0.04-0.18 tonnes CO_2 eqv. for 2007-2021. General updates in statistical data for 2022 and 2023 results in decreases of 0.05 and 0.98 kt CO_2 eqv. respectively. The decrease in CH_4 emissions from the IPPU sector in 2023 is primarily caused by this recalculation.
- Fireworks: Data on consumption of fireworks are not available in time for submission. Therefore, 2023 data were set to equal 2022 in last year's submission, and since 2022 was a fairly high number and 2023 turns out to be a fairly low number, there is a significant decrease for 2023 in this submission of -52% (-2.1 tonnes CO_2 eqv.). Miniscule changes were also made for 2014-2016 (+0.01 tonnes CO_2 eqv. per year) as well as a small increase for 2022 (+31.6 tonnes CO_2 eqv.).
- Tobacco: An increase for 2023 of 0.04 kt CO_2 eqv. is due to the real figure for cross-border shopping now being available (+8.0% for total activity data for tobacco consumption).

4.12 Category-specific improvements

4.12.1 Response to the review process

There were no recommendations to the IPPU sector in the most recent UNFCCC review of the Danish greenhouse gas inventory.

A review of the Danish 2024 submission took place in May 2025.

Table 4.12.1 Recommendations of the most recent UNFCCC review of the Danish greenhouse gas inventory.

Para. CRT	ERT Comment	Denmark's response	Reference
2024 submission (Review report: https://unfccc.int/documents/650570)			
- -	There are no recommendations to the IPPU sector from the most recent UNFCCC review.	-	-

4.12.2 Planned improvements

There are no planned improvements.

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5 Agriculture

The data presented in Chapter 5 relate to Denmark only, whereas information for Greenland is included in Chapter 11 and for the Faroe Islands in Chapter 12.

The emission of greenhouse gases from agricultural activities includes:

- CH_4 emissions from enteric fermentation, manure management and field burning
- N_2O emissions from manure management, agricultural soils and field burning
- CO_2 emissions from liming, urea use and use of other carbon-containing fertilisers

For emissions of air pollutants covered by the NEC Directive or the UNECE LRTAP Convention, see the Danish Informative Inventory Report (Nielsen et al., 2025).

Emissions from rice production and burning of savannahs do not occur in Denmark and consequently these categories have been reported as Not Occurring.

5.1 Overview of sector

In CO_2 equivalents, the agricultural sector contributes with 29 % of the Danish greenhouse gas emissions (GHG) in 2024 (total incl. LULUCF and indirect CO_2). Next to the energy sector, the agricultural sector is the largest source of GHG emission in Denmark. The majority of agricultural greenhouse gas emissions are covered by N_2O and CH_4, which contributes in 2024 with 86 % and 81 % respectively of the total Danish emissions of N_2O and CH_4.

From 1990 to 2024, the emissions from the agricultural sector decreased from 14.5 million tonnes CO_2 equivalent to 11.4 million tonnes CO_2 equivalent, which corresponds to a 22 % reduction (Table 5.1). CH_4 is the largest contributor to the overall agricultural greenhouse gas emission, accounting for 61 % in CO_2 equivalents in 2024. The decrease in the total agricultural emission is mainly caused by a decrease in N_2O emission, while the CH_4 emission is nearly unaltered.

Table 5.1 Emission of GHG in the agricultural sector in Denmark 1990 – 2024.

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
CH_4, kt CO_2 eqv.	7 481	7 972	7 977	8 167	8 135	8 077	8 026	8 062	7 762	7 140	6 950
N_2O, kt CO_2 eqv.	6 500	5 749	5 232	4 887	4 666	4 648	4 683	4 315	4 266	3 881	4 218
CO_2, kt CO_2 eqv.	613	534	268	222	156	176	254	267	268	201	185
Total, kt CO_2 eqv.	14 594	14 254	13 477	13 276	12 957	12 901	12 964	12 644	12 296	11 223	11 353

A major part of the emission is related to livestock production, which in Denmark is dominated by the production of cattle and swine.

Figure 5.1a-b show the distribution of N_2O and CH_4 emissions across the main agricultural sources. The total emission of N_2O from 1990-2024 (Figure 5.1a) has decreased by 36 % and can largely be attributed to the 34 % decrease in N_2O emissions from agricultural soils. This reduction is due to a proactive

national environmental policy since the early nineties to prevent loss of nitrogen from agricultural soils to the aquatic environment. The emission from agricultural soils occurs from a range of sources, where inorganic fertilisers, animal manure applied to soil and crop residues are the main emission sources. The largest of these sources are N_2O emission from the use of inorganic fertilisers, which has halved between 1990 and 2003. From 2003 to 2020 the N_2O has stayed relatively constant, varying slightly with the use of inorganic fertilisers. In 2018, the emission was lower due to drought, necessitating a lower use of fertilisers. In 2021-2023, the emission decreased mainly due to decrease in number of swine and therefore decrease in emission from manure management and manure applied to soil. In 2023 the use of inorganic fertiliser also decreased. In 2024 the emission of N_2O increased compared to 2023 due to increase in use of inorganic fertiliser and steady number of animals.

The total emission of CH_4 has decreased by 5 % from 1990 to 2024, shown in Figure 5.1b. The CH_4 emission stem almost equally from manure management and enteric fermentation. Emission from enteric fermentation is closely connected to the number of cattle, which has decreased from 1990 to 2024, resulting in an 11 % lower emission. Emission from manure management, on the other hand, increased between 1990 and 2020 due to an increase in number of animals. Since 2021, CH_4 emission from manure management has decreased due to a lower number of swine and a 2023 law concerning frequent removal of slurry in barns for fattening pigs.

CO_2 emissions from liming and inorganic N-fertiliser have decreased by 70 % from 1990 to 2024. This is mainly a result of a decreased need for, and thus use of, lime, which is due to changes in fertiliser practices where the use of inorganic N-fertiliser has decreased and use of N from manure has increased (Knudsen, 2004).

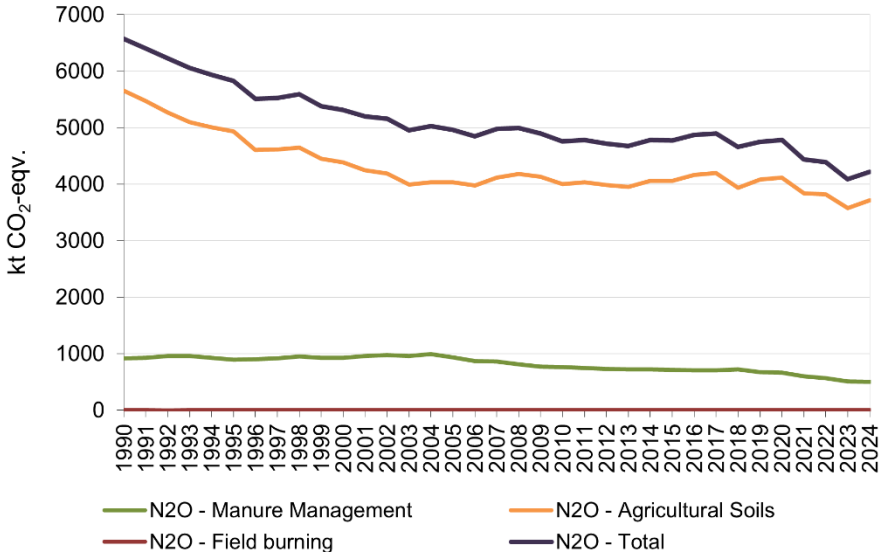


Figure 5.1a Danish agricultural N_2O emissions 1990 – 2024.

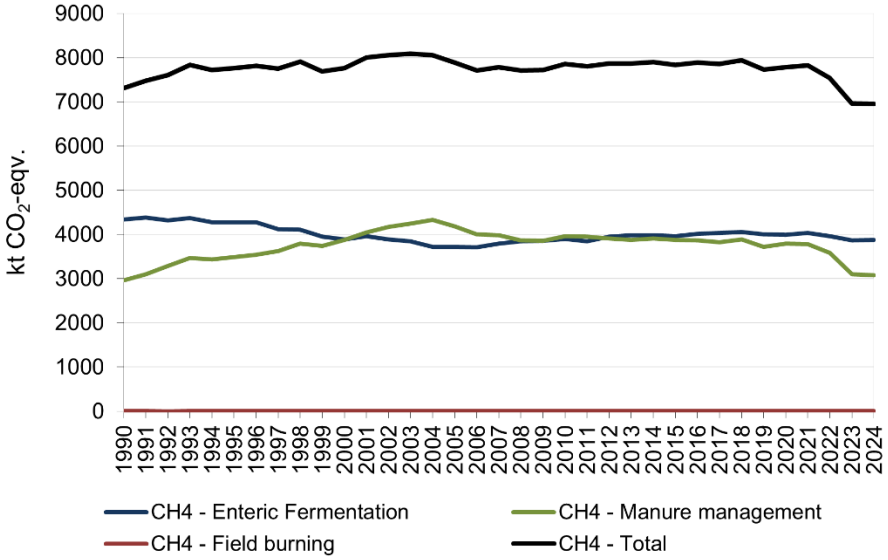


Figure 5.1b Danish agricultural CH_4 emissions 1990 – 2024.

5.1.1 Methodology overview, tier

Table 5.2 shows the methodology and emission factor used at subcategory level.

Table 5.2 Overview for methodology and emission factor used.

CRT code	Category	Substance	Tier[1)]	EF[2)]
3A	Enteric fermentation:			
3A1a	Dairy cattle	CH_4	Tier2	CS
3A1b	Non-dairy cattle	CH_4	Tier2	D
3A2	Sheep	CH_4	Tier2	D
3A3	Swine – sows	CH_4	Tier2	OTH
	Swine – fattening pigs	CH_4	Tier2	CS
	Swine – weaners	CH_4	Tier2	CS
3A4	Other livestock – deer	CH_4	Tier2	D
	Other livestock – goats	CH_4	Tier2	D
	Other livestock – horses	CH_4	Tier2	OTH
	Other livestock – poultry	CH_4	Tier1	OTH
	Other livestock – ostrich	CH_4	Tier1	OTH
	Other livestock – other[3]	CH_4	Tier1	OTH
3B	Manure management:			
3B1a	Dairy cattle	CH_4	Tier2/Tier3	CS
3B1b	Non-dairy cattle	CH_4	Tier2/Tier3	CS
3B2	Sheep	CH_4	Tier2	D
3B3	Swine – sows	CH_4	Tier2/Tier3	CS
	Swine – fattening pigs	CH_4	Tier2/Tier3	CS
	Swine – weaners	CH_4	Tier2/Tier3	CS
3B4	Other livestock – deer	CH_4	Tier2	D
	Other livestock – goats	CH_4	Tier2	D
	Other livestock – horses	CH_4	Tier2	D
	Other livestock – poultry	CH_4	Tier2	D
	Other livestock – ostrich	CH_4	Tier2	D
	Other livestock – fur-bearing animals	CH_4	Tier2	D
	Other livestock – other[3]	CH_4	Tier2	D
3B	Manure management:			
3B1a	Dairy cattle	N_2O	Tier2	D
3B1b	Non-dairy cattle	N_2O	Tier2	D
3B2	Sheep	N_2O	Tier2	D
3B3	Swine – sows	N_2O	Tier2	D
	Swine – fattening pigs	N_2O	Tier2	D
	Swine – weaners	N_2O	Tier2	D
3B4	Other livestock – deer	N_2O	Tier2	D
	Other livestock – goats	N_2O	Tier2	D
	Other livestock – horses	N_2O	Tier2	D
	Other livestock – poultry	N_2O	Tier2	D
	Other livestock – ostrich	N_2O	Tier2	D
	Other livestock – fur-bearing animals	N_2O	Tier2	D
	Other livestock – other[3]	N_2O	Tier2	D
3B5	Indirect N_2O emission	N_2O	Tier2	D
3D	Agricultural soil:			
3Da1	Inorganic N fertilisers	N_2O	Tier1	D
3Da2a	Animal manure applied to soils	N_2O	Tier1/CS	D
3Da2b	Sewage sludge applied to soils	N_2O	Tier1/CS	D
3Da2c	Other organic fertiliser applied to soils	N_2O	Tier1/CS	D
3Da3	Urine and dung deposited by grazing animals	N_2O	Tier2	D
3Da4	Crop residue	N_2O	Tier1/CS	D
3Da5	Mineralization	N_2O	Tier2	D
3Da6	Cultivation of organic soils	N_2O	Tier1	D
3Db1	Atmospheric deposition	N_2O	Tier2	D
3Db2	Nitrogen leaching and run-off	N_2O	Tier2	D
3F	Field burning of agricultural residues, wheat	CH_4	Tier1	D
3F	Field burning of agricultural residues, wheat	N_2O	Tier1	D
3F	Field burning of agricultural residues, other	CH_4	Tier1	D
3F	Field burning of agricultural residues, other	N_2O	Tier1	D
3G	Liming	CO_2	Tier1*	D*
3H	Urea application	CO_2	Tier1*	D*
3I	Other carbon-containing fertilisers	CO_2	Tier1*	D*

[1]Tier 1 and T2: IPCC (2019) default, *IPCC (2006) default, CS: Country specific.
[2]D: IPCC (2019) default, *IPCC (2006) default, CS: Country specific. OTH: Other.
[3]Pheasants.

5.1.2 Key category identification

The key category analysis (KCA) divides the agricultural emissions into 19 subcategories. Table 5.3 lists the key categories covering Approach 1 and Approach 2. Approach 1 only gives key category identification based on the

quantitative emission, while Approach 2 also includes the uncertainties (refer to Chapter 1.5). In 1990, 11 of the 19 agricultural sources were identified as key categories and 13 sources were key categories if uncertainties were taken into account (Approach 2). In 2024, 7 of the sources are listed as key categories according to level and trend for Approach 1 and 8 sources in Approach 2. For the methodological choice, Denmark uses the key categories identified using both Approach 1 and Approach 2 for the latest year as well as key categories identified for the trend from 1990 to the latest year.

The two key categories with the highest emissions are CH_4 from enteric fermentation and CH_4 emissions from manure management. Regarding the enteric fermentation, the cattle production is the main contributor, while the swine production is the most important category for manure management.

Table 5.3 Key category identification Tie1 and Tier 2 from the agricultural sector 1990 and 2024.

CRT table	Compound	Emission source	Key category identification	
2024			Approach 1	Approach 2
3.A	CH_4	Enteric fermentation	Level/trend	Level/trend
3.B	CH_4	Manure management	Level/trend	Level/trend
3.F	CH_4	Field burning of agri. residues	-	-
3.B	N_2O	Manure management	Level	Level/trend
3.B.5	N_2O	Atmospheric deposition	Level	Level
3.Da.1	N_2O	Inorganic N fertilisers	Level/trend	Level/trend
3.Da.2a	N_2O	Animal manure applied to soils	Level/trend	Level/trend
3.Da.2b	N_2O	Sewage sludge applied to soils	-	-
3.Da.2c	N_2O	Other organic fertiliser applied to soils	-	-
3.Da.3	N_2O	Urine and dung deposited by grazing animals	-	Level
3.Da.4	N_2O	Crop residue	Level/trend	Level/trend
3.Da.5	N_2O	Mineralization	-	Level
3.Da.6	N_2O	Cultivation of organic soils	Level	Level
3.Db.1	N_2O	Atmospheric deposition	Level	Level
3.Db.2	N_2O	Nitrogen leaching and run-off	Level/trend	Level/trend
3.F	N_2O	Field burning of agri. residues	-	-
3.G	CO_2	Liming	Level/trend	Level/trend
3.H	CO_2	Urea application	-	-
3.I	CO_2	Other carbon-containing fertilisers	-	-
1990				
3.A	CH_4	Enteric fermentation	Level	Level
3.B	CH_4	Manure management	Level	Level
3.F	CH_4	Field burning of agri. residues	-	-
3.B	N_2O	Manure management	Level	Level
3.B.5	N_2O	Atmospheric deposition	Level	Level
3.Da.1	N_2O	Inorganic N fertilisers	Level	Level
3.Da.2a	N_2O	Animal manure applied to soils	Level	Level
3.Da.2b	N_2O	Sewage sludge applied to soils	-	-
3.Da.2c	N_2O	Other organic fertiliser applied to soils	-	-
3.Da.3	N_2O	Urine and dung deposited by grazing animals	-	Level
3.Da.4	N_2O	Crop residue	Level	Level
3.Da.5	N_2O	Mineralization	-	Level
3.Da.6	N_2O	Cultivation of organic soils	Level	Level
3.Db.1	N_2O	Atmospheric deposition	Level	Level
3.Db.2	N_2O	Nitrogen leaching and run-off	Level	Level
3.F	N_2O	Field burning of agri. residues	-	-
3.G	CO_2	Liming	Level	Level
3.H	CO_2	Urea application	-	-
3.I	CO_2	Other carbon-containing fertilisers	-	-

5.2 Data sources

The calculated emissions are based on methods described in the IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories (IPCC, 2006) and 2019 Refinement to the 2006 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories (IPCC, 2019).

The inventory is compiled by DCE - Danish Centre for Environment and Energy, Aarhus University. Activity data and emission factors are collected and discussed in cooperation with specialists and researchers in various institutes with agricultural expertise, such as the Danish Centre for Food and Agriculture – Aarhus University (DCA), Statistics Denmark (DSt), SEGES Innovation, Danish Environmental Protection Agency (DEPA), Danish Agricultural and Fisheries Agency (LFST), the Agency for Green Transition and Aquatic Environment (SGAV) and the Danish Energy Agency (DEA). Through these collaborations, both data and methods will be evaluated continually, and according to the latest knowledge and information. DCE has established data agreements with the institutes and organisations to assure that the necessary data are available to prepare the emission inventory on time.

Table 5.4 List of institutes involved in the emission inventory for the agricultural sector.

References	Link	Abbreviation	Data/information
Statistics Denmark – Agricultural Statistics	www.dst.dk	DSt	- livestock production - milk yield - slaughtering data - export of live animal - poultry - land use - crop production - crop yield
Danish Centre for Food and Agriculture, Aarhus University	www.dca.au.dk	DCA	- N-excretion - feeding situation - animal growth - use of straw for bedding - N-content in crops - modelling of data regarding N-leaching/runoff - NH_3 emissions factor
SEGES Innovation	www.segesinnovation.dk	SEGES	- barn type (until 2004) - number of horses - grazing situation - manure application time and methods - estimation of extent of field burning of agricultural residue - acidification of slurry
Danish Environmental Protection Agency	www.mst.dk	DEPA	- sewage sludge used as fertiliser - industrial waste used as fertiliser (until 2004)
Danish Agricultural and Fisheries Agency	www.lfst.dk www.foedevarestyrelsen.dk	LFST	- number of animals from the Central Husbandry Register
Agency for Green Transition and Aquatic Environment	www.sgav.dk	SGAV	- farmers N accounts - barn type (from 2005) - inorganic N fertiliser (consumption and type) - industrial waste used as fertiliser (from 2005 based on the register for fertilization)
The Danish Energy Agency	www.ens.dk	DEA	- amount of energy produced in biogas plants - used biomass in biogas plants

The emissions from the agricultural sector are calculated in a comprehensive agricultural model complex called IDA (Integrated Database model for Agricultural emissions). The model complex is designed in a relational database system (MS Access). Input data are stored in tables in one database called IDA_Backend and the calculations are carried out as queries in another linked database called IDA. This model complex, as shown in Figure 5.2, is highly detailed and is used to cover both emissions of air pollutants and greenhouse gases. Thus, there is a direct link between the reported NH_3 and N_2O emissions.

IDA - Integrated Database model for Agricultural emissions

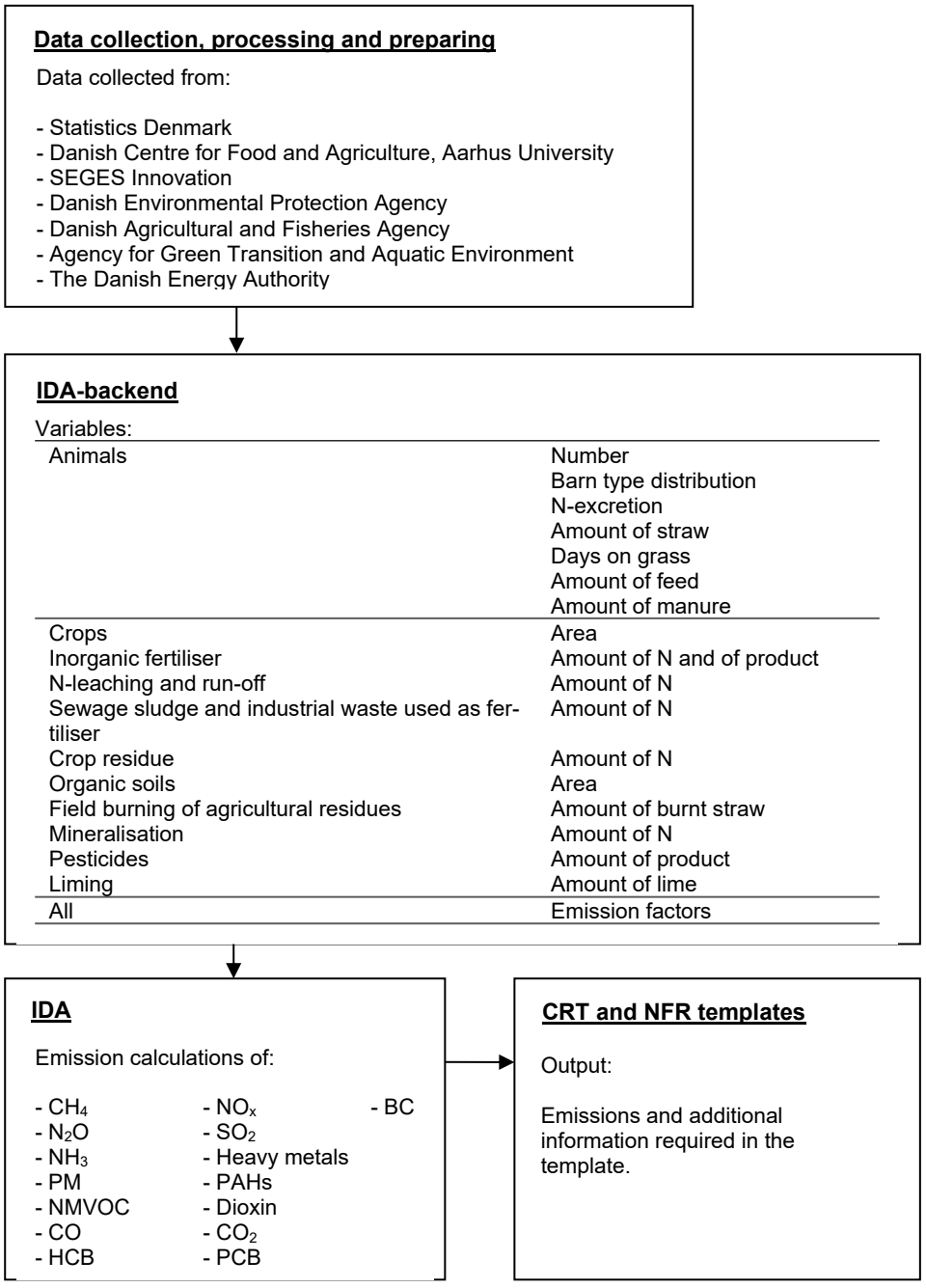


Figure 5.2 IDA - Integrated Database model for Agricultural emissions.

Most emissions relate to livestock production, which is based on information on the number of animals, the distribution of animals according to barn type and, finally, information on feed consumption and excretion.

IDA operates with 42 different livestock categories, according to livestock type, weight class and age. These categories are subdivided into barn type and manure type, which results in a total of 300 different combinations of livestock subcategories and barn types (see Annex 3D Table 3D-1). For each of these combinations, information on e.g. feed intake, digestibility, excretion and grazing days is included. The emission is calculated from each of these subcategories and then aggregated in accordance with the IPCC livestock categories given in the CRT.

Table 5.5 Livestock categories and subcategories.

CRT 3B	Aggregated livestock categories as given in IPCC	Includes	No. of subcategories in IDA, animal type/barn system
3B 1a	Dairy Cattle[1]	Dairy Cattle	40
3B 1b	Non-dairy Cattle[1]	Calves (<½ yr), heifers, bulls, suckling cattle	129
3B 2	Sheep	Sheep and lambs	2
3B 3	Swine	Sows, weaners, fattening pigs	52
3B 4	Deer		1
	Goats	Including kids (meet, dairy and mohair)	3
	Horses	<300 kg, 300 - 500 kg, 500 - 700 kg, >700 kg	4
	Poultry	Hens, pullets, broilers, turkeys, geese, ducks	55
	Fur-bearing animals	Mink and foxes	8
	Ostriches	Mother ostriches, chickens	4
	Pheasants	Hens, chickens	2

[1)] For all subcategories, large breed and jersey cattle are distinguished from each other.

It is important to point out that changes over the years, both to the national emission and the implied emission factor, are not only a result of changes in the numbers of animals but also depend on changes in the allocation of subcategories, changes in feed consumption and changes in barn type.

5.2.1 Number of animals

Livestock production is primarily based on the agricultural census from Statistics Denmark. The number reported in the annual Agricultural statistics are the number of animals present on farms at the time of the census. For animals with a production cycle of more than one year (e.g. dairy cattle, sows), this number is used. However, for animals with a production cycle below one year, this number would lead to a significant under estimation of produced animals and lead to an under estimation of emissions, as figures in the Danish Manure Normative Standards are based on produced animals. Animal number for weaners, fattening pigs, bulls and poultry are therefore based on slaughter data, also collected from the agricultural statistics. Only farms larger than five hectares are included in the annual census from Statistics Denmark. Especially horses, goats and sheep are mostly found at smaller farms, which mean that the number of animals given in the Agricultural Statistics is not representative, and underestimates the actual animal population. Therefore, the number of sheep and goats is based on the Central Husbandry Register (CHR), which is the central register of farms and animals, managed by Danish Agricultural and Fisheries Agency. From 2010, the annual census includes farms with more than 20 goats and sheep, but the CHR is considered

as more reliable because the register includes all animals regardless of farm size. The number of horses is based on data from SEGES (Holm, 2025).

The number of deer and ostriches is also based on CHR because these are not included in the Agricultural Statistics published by Statistics Denmark. The number of pheasants is based on expert judgement from Department of Ecoscience, Aarhus University and the Danish pheasant breeding association (Stenkjær, 2010).

The agricultural annual census in present form goes back to 1977 (DSt, 2010). The survey has taken place every year as a questionnaire-based survey, where the farmer has received a questionnaire in a letter with an obligation to complete it. The questionnaire has varied from year to year depending on EU requirements and national needs. From 1977 to 1983, the survey was based on total censuses where all farms where included, which also is the case for the years; 1985, 1987, 1989, 1999 and 2010. The remaining surveys is based on sample surveys; 1984, 1986, 1988, 1990-98, 2000-09 and 2011-24 and include around 20-35 % of all farms and around 50 % of the farms in 2003, 2005 and 2007.

As soon as the data from the questionnaires are processed, tested and quality assured, the data are published annually at Statistics Denmark's homepage; http://www.statistikbanken.dk and are available in both English and Danish.

Annex 3D Table 3D-2 provides number of animals allocated on all livestock subcategories.

5.2.2 Barn type

From 2005, all farmers must report information concerning the barn type to the Agency for Green Transition and Aquatic Environment (SGAV). Annex 3D Table 3D-1 shows the barn types for each livestock category for the years 1990 – 2024.

Prior to 2005 no official statistics exists of the distribution of animals according to barn type. The distribution is therefore based on an expert judgement from SEGES and DCA (Rasmussen, 2006, Lundgaard 2006). SEGES have approximately 90-95 % of Danish farmers as members and regularly collect statistical data from farmers and make recommendations regarding farm buildings. Hence, SEGES has a good understanding of which barn types that are currently in use and the changes over time.

5.2.3 NH_3 reducing technology

The effect of some NH_3 reducing technologies in barns and storage on N_2O emission are included in the emission inventory. Potential effects on CH_4 emissions are not yet included, as sufficient documentation for CH_4 reduction is lacking. The technologies included are slurry acidification in barns with cattle and swine, cooling of swine manure in barns, frequent removal of manure in fur animal barns, heat exchangers in barns for broilers and solid cover of manure tanks. As these technologies reduce the NH_3 emission prior to manure storage and/or soil application, more N is present during application, which increase the emission of N_2O from agricultural soils.

5.2.4 Feed consumption and manure excretion

The DCA provides Danish standards related to feed consumption, excreted volumes, nutrient content of nitrogen, phosphor and potassium, dry matter in manure and contribution of different manure type. These standards are all a part of the "Danish Manure Normative Standards", which is used for fertiliser planning and control by the Danish farmers and authorities (Børsting et al., 2021, Børsting & Hellwing, 2025). The complexity and dynamics of the system has increased during the years to secure the development of accurate values. Furthermore, the normative standards include emission factors for NH_3, which is based on a combination of measurements and model calculations. Emission factors for NH_3 from the barn unit and storage are given in Annex 3D Table 3D-3 (a-d) and 3D-4.

The standard values provided in the Danish Manure Normative Standards are based on annually updated data from a large number of farms and thus reflects the actual Danish agricultural production conditions. DCA receives data from the central office for all Danish agricultural advisory services SEGES and collect it in a database. SEGES carries out a considerable amount of research and development activities, as well as running databases collecting data from the Danish farmers for dairy production, beef production, swine production and poultry production to be used for benchmarking between farmers with similar livestock productions. Data used to calculate the manure normative values from these databases covers production (milk yield, weaned piglets per litter, growth rate), feed intake, feed efficiency, and feed composition. The data from dairy herds represents more than 50 % of all herds, and a higher proportion of all dairy cows. For slaughter calves, data represented about 60 % of the slaughtered animals. The swine values were based on 700 000 sows equivalent to 70 % of all sows, and the data from fattening pigs were based on 8.7 million pigs equivalent to about 60 % of all pigs slaughtered in Denmark (Børsting, 2024). 80-90 % of the poultry production and approximately 100 % of the fur production are represented in the data. The normative standards provided in the Manure Normative Standards are thus based on the actual data farmers use in their daily management, not merely forms mandated by authorities, and therefore has a very high reliability. With the very large proportion of the cattle, swine and poultry farms yielding data to the database, these data are considered to be very representative for Danish animal production.

Previously, the normative standards were updated and published every third or fourth year (Laursen, 1987; Laursen, 1994; Poulsen and Kristensen, 1997). From 2001, these standards are updated annually and available to download at the homepage of DCA:
http://anis.au.dk/forskning/sektioner/husdyrernaering-og-fysiologi/normtal/ (Jan. 2026).

One of the reports concerning the normative standards is published in English in Poulsen and Kristensen (1998) and is available at the homepage of DCA, see list of references. The latest edition of the report is Børsting et al. (2021) (in Danish). The normative standards are updated every year.

5.3 Enteric fermentation

5.3.1 Description

A major part of the agricultural CH_4 emission originates from digestive processes, i.e. enteric fermentation, primarily from ruminants. In 2024, this source accounts for 34 % of the total GHG emission from agriculture. 91 % of the emission from enteric fermentation come from cattle, 5 % from swine, 3 % from horses and 1 % from sheep, goats, deer and poultry combined.

From 1990 to 2024, the emission from enteric fermentation has overall decreased by 11 %, which is primarily related to a decrease in the number of cattle from 2.2 Mio in 1990 to 1.4 Mio in 2024, combined with increased milk yield and gross energy (GE) for dairy cattle. The number of swine has increased from 9.5 million in 1990 to 11.6 million in 2024, but this increase is only of minor importance in relation to the total CH_4 emission from enteric fermentation. The emission was lowest in 2005 but have increased slightly up to 2024, mainly due to a slightly increasing number of dairy cattle since 2005.

5.3.2 Methodological issues

The methodology for estimating emissions from enteric fermentation is based on 2019 Refinement to the 2006 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories (IPCC, 2019). The methodology for poultry, ostrich and pheasants is based on Tier 1, while the remaining animal categories are based on a Tier 2/Country Specific (CS) approach. CH_4 emission from enteric fermentation from fur farming is considered to be non-applicable based on country-specific information (Hansen, 2010) and therefore the notation key NA are used for fur-bearing animals in CRT for enteric fermentation. Feed consumption for all animal categories is based on the Danish normative standards. Default values for the methane conversion rate (Y_m) given by the IPCC are used for all livestock categories, except for dairy cattle, where a national Y_m is used for all years.

Tier 1

Emission factors used for poultry, ostrich and pheasants are based on the emission factors given by Wang & Huang (2005). EF for broilers with a life cycle of 30-56 days is scaled in proportion to 42 days for broilers given by Wang & Huang (2005). Organic broilers with a life cycle of 81 days are scaled in proportion to the Taiwan country chicken with 91 days of life cycle and pullets with a life cycle of 112-119 days are scaled in proportion to the 140 days given for pullets by Wang & Huang (2005). For laying hens, the EF given by Wang & Huang (2005) is used. EF for ducks, geese, turkeys, ostrich and pheasants is scaled by weight with the power of 0.75 as outlined in IPCC (2019). Where EF for ducks, geese, turkeys, ostrich chickens and pheasant chickens is scaled by weight in proportion to a Danish broiler with 40 days of life cycle. For ostrich hens and pheasant hens, the EF is scaled by weight in proportion to a laying hen. All EFs for CH_4 from enteric fermentation for poultry are shown in Annex 3D Table 3D-5.

Tier 2

The Tier 2/CS equation for EF of enteric fermentation is the sum of the feeding situation in winter and summer. The EF is based on the normative standards based on actual feeding plans, provided as feed units (FU) in the feed for each livestock category - except from dairy cattle and bulls (from 2022), where the EF is based on kg dry matter (DM) in the feed.

To calculate the total gross energy (GE) intake, the GE per kg DM or GE per feed unit – defined as GE_F or GE_{FU}, respectively – needs to be estimated. A feed unit in Denmark is defined as the feed value in 1.00 kg barley with a dry matter content of 85 % (DSt, 2010). The amount in a feed unit differs between feed sources, e.g. one feed unit of wheat and rye are 0.97 kg and 1.05 kg, respectively.

Inclusion of sugar beets in the feed is incorporated in the EF, because sugar beet feeding result in a higher methane production rate compared to grass and maize due to the high content of easily convertible sugar. However, only dairy cattle have sugar beets in the feed, and the parts of the equation concerning sugar beet are therefore left out for the remaining animal categories.

$$EF = EF_{winter} + EF_{summer}$$

Dairy cattle:

$$EF_{winter,dairy\ cattle} = F \cdot$$
$$((GE_{F\ winter}/55.65) \cdot Y_{m\ excl\ beet} \cdot (1 - grazing\ days/365 - days\ with\ beet/365)$$
$$+ (GE_{F\ winter}/55.65) \cdot Y_{m\ incl\ beet} \cdot days\ with\ beet/365\ )$$

$$EF_{summer,dairy\ cattle} = F \cdot \left(\frac{GE_{F\ summer}}{55.65}\right) \cdot Y_{m\ grazing} \cdot \frac{grazing\ days}{365}$$

Where:

EF_{winter}	= Emission factor for winter feed, kg CH_4 per head per year
EF_{summer}	= Emission factor for summer feed, kg CH_4 per head per year
F	= feed, kg DM
$GE_{F,winter}$	= gross energy per kg DM, MJ per kg DM in winter
$GE_{F,\ summer}$	= gross energy per kg DM, MJ per kg DM in summer
Y_m	= methane conversion factor, per cent of gross energy in feed converted to methane
55.65	= energy content of CH_4, MJ per CH_4

Bulls from 2022 (before 2022 calculated as for other animals):

$$EF = F \cdot \left(\frac{GE_F}{55.65}\right) \cdot Y_m$$

Where:

EF	= Emission factor, kg CH_4 per head per year
F	= feed, kg DM
GE_F	= gross energy per kg DM, MJ per kg DM
Y_m	= methane conversion factor, per cent of gross energy in feed converted to methane
55.65	= energy content of CH_4, MJ per CH_4

Other animals:

$$EF_{winter} = FU \cdot \left(\left(\frac{GE_{FUwinter}}{55.65}\right) \cdot Y_m \cdot \left(1 - \frac{grazing\ days}{365}\right)\right)$$

$$EF_{summer} = FU \cdot \left(\frac{GE_{FU\ summer}}{55.65}\right) \cdot Y_{m\ grazing} \cdot \frac{grazing\ days}{365}$$

Where:

EF_{winter}	= Emission factor for winter feed, kg CH_4 per head per year
EF_{summer}	= Emission factor for summer feed, kg CH_4 per head per year
FU	= feeding units
$GE_{FU,winter}$	= gross energy per feeding unit, MJ per FU in winter
$GE_{FU,\ summer}$	= gross energy per feeding unit, MJ per FU in summer
Y_m	= methane conversion factor, per cent of gross energy in feed converted to methane
55.65	= energy content of CH_4, MJ per CH_4

Gross energy intake

GE_F for dairy cattle are estimated by DCA (Aaes, 2016) and GE_F for bulls (from 2022) are estimated by DCA (Hellwing, 2023). For all other livestock categories than dairy cattle (including bulls from 1990-2021), the estimation of GE is GE_{FU}.

From 2014 feed intake for dairy cattle in the normative standards are given in kg DM per year and the energy in the feed is given in MJ per kg DM. The energy intake is a standard winter feed regardless of whether the animal grazes or not. As recommended by previous expert review teams, the feed intake and energy in the feed for the years 1990-2013 is recalculated. The calculation was previously based on FU for the years 1990-2013, which is now replaced by the calculation based on DM for all years. See Annex 3D Table 3D-10 for time series for GE for dairy cattle.

GE_{FU} is based on the composition of feed intake and the energy content in proteins, fats and carbohydrates based on actual efficacy feeding controls or actual feeding plans at farm level, collected by SEGES or DCA. The data are given in Danish feed units or kg feedstuff, and these values are converted to mega joule (MJ). The calculation is shown in the equation below:

$$\mathrm{GE_{FU}} = \frac{\mathrm{MJ/day}}{\mathrm{FU/day}}$$

$$\mathrm{FU/day} = \frac{\mathrm{kg\ dm}}{\mathrm{day}} \cdot \frac{\mathrm{FU}}{\mathrm{kg\ dm}}$$

$$\mathrm{MJ/day} = \frac{\mathrm{kg\ dm}}{\mathrm{day}} \cdot \frac{\mathrm{MJ}}{\mathrm{kg\ dm}}$$

$$\mathrm{MJ/kg\ dm} = \%_{\text{Crude protein}} \cdot E_{\text{Crude protein}} + \%_{\text{Crude fat}} \cdot E_{\text{Crude fat}} + \%_{\text{Carbonhydrates}} \cdot E_{\text{Carbonhydrates}}$$

$$\%_{\text{Carbonhydrates}} = 100 - (\%_{\text{Crude protein}} + \%_{\text{Crude fat}} + \%_{\text{Raw ashes}})$$

Where:

GE_{FU}	= gross energy per feed unit, MJ per FU
FU	= feed unit (energy in 1.00 kg barley)
MJ	= mega joule
DM	= dry matter
$\%_{\text{crude protein}}$	= share of crude protein in the feed, %
$E_{\text{crude protein}}$	= energy factor for crude protein, MJ per kg DM
$\%_{\text{raw fat}}$	= share of crude fat in the feed, %
$E_{\text{raw fat}}$	= energy factor for crude fat, MJ per kg DM
$\%_{\text{carbohydrates}}$	= share of carbohydrates in the feed, %
$E_{\text{carbohydrates}}$	= energy factor for carbohydrates, MJ per kg DM
$\%_{\text{raw ashes}}$	= share of raw ashes in the feed, %

For horses, heifers, suckling cattle, sheep and goats an average winter feed plan is provided based on information from DCA and SEGES on which the calculation of the GE content is based. Feeding conditions for deer is comparable with goats, why the GE for deer is based on feed plans for goats. In Annex 3D Table 3D-6 and 3D-7 are listed all parameters for winter feeding plans covering the amount of proteins, fats and carbohydrates in the feed, FU per kg, kg dry matter per day, MJ per day and MJ per kg DM. Annex 3D Table 3D-8 and 3D-9 provides additional information about feed intake given in FU and grazing days for each livestock category.

Estimation of $GE_{FU,\ summer}$ covers the time where animals are grazing.

Table 5.6 GE per feeding unit, MJ per FU.

	$GE_{FU,winter}$	$GE_{FU,summer}$
Calves and bulls (1990-2021)	18.3	-
Calves and bulls (2022-2023)	19.0	-
Heifers	25.8	18.8
Suckling cattle	34.0	18.8
Sows	17.5	17.5
Weaners	16.5	16.5
Fattening pigs	17.3	17.3
Horses, sheep, goats and deer	30.0	18.8

In Annex 3D, Table 3D-11, the annual average feed intake for each livestock category from 1990 to 2024 is given in GE as MJ per day. As seen in Annex 3D Table 3D-11, GE for heifers increases from 2005 to 2007. In 2007, new estimations and measurements received from DCA show that the GE for heifers differs from the previous estimates. This development is not caused by a single year change in feed intake but due to changes in feed practice during some years. Therefore, interpolation of GE for heifers was chosen from year 2004 to 2007 to avoid a significant jump from 2006 to 2007. The GE for non-dairy cattle is an average of GE for calves, heifers, bulls and suckling cattle. However, heifers are the most important subcategory and thus affect the weighed GE average for non-dairy cattle, which also increases from 2004 to 2007.

The Tier2/CS for enteric fermentation differs from the IPCC Tier 2 in the calculation of GE. A comparison between these two methods is shown in Chapter 5.13.1.

Methane conversion rate (Y_m)

For dairy cattle, fodder practice has changed over the reported time period, according to DCA. One of the changes is moving from feeding with sugar beets to maize (whole cereal). Sugar beet feeding gives a higher methane production rate compared to grass and maize due to the high content of easily convertible sugar.

The estimation of the national values of Y_m is for the years 1990-2002 based on the model "Karoline" developed by DCA and based on average feeding plans for 20 % of all dairy cows in Denmark obtained from SEGES (Olesen et al., 2005). DCA have estimated the CH_4 emission for a winter-feeding plan for two years, 1991 (Y_m=6.7) and 2002 (Y_m=6.0). Y_m for the years between 1991 and 2002 are estimated by interpolation. Sugar beets are only included in the winter-feeding plan and the Y_m is therefore also adjusted for days on winter and summer feeding plan. It is assumed that winter feeding plan covers 200 days. See Table 5.7a.

New measurements (Hellwing et al., 2016) have developed an updated model for estimating a national Y_m. Based on this updated model and fodder practice were rations with sugar beet are phased out in the calculation, the Y_m value for dairy cattle are kept at 6.00 from 2002 to 2017 (Lund, 2014). See Table 5.7b.

For 2018, 2020 and 2021 the updated model have been run with updated fodder practice and Y_m has been estimated for large breed and jersey cows, respectively (Lund et al., 2020, Lund et al., 2021, Lund et al., 2023) – see Table 5.7c. Y_m for 2019 are kept at the same level as for 2018 and Y_m for 2022-2024 are kept at the same level as for 2021.

For non-dairy cattle, sheep and goats, Y_m given in IPCC (2019) are used. For lamp a Y_m are given in IPCC (2006). For horses and sows Y_m are based on Crutzen et al. (1986), while Y_m for weaners and fattening pigs are based on Dalby et al. (2025). See Table 5.8.

Table 5.7a CH_4 conversion rate (Y_m) for dairy cattle 1990-2001, based on model Karoline, fodder practice with sugar beet, %.

	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
Y_m incl. sugar beet	6.7	6.7	6.6	6.6	6.5	6.4	6.4	6.3	6.3	6.2	6.1	6.1
Y_m excl. sugar beet	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0
Y_m grazing	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0
Average Y_m	6.4	6.4	6.3	6.3	6.3	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.0

Table 5.7b CH_4 conversion rate (Y_m) for dairy cattle 2002-2017, based on updated model, fodder practice without sugar beet, %.

	2002-2017
Y_m winter	6.0
Y_m grazing	6.0
Average Y_m	6.0

Table 5.7c CH_4 conversion rate (Y_m) for dairy cattle 2018-2024, based on updated model, Y_m for large breed and jersey cows, %.

	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Y_m winter							
- Large breed	5.94	5.94	5.76	5.77	5.77	5.77	5.77
- Jersey	5.92	5.92	5.80	5.81	5.81	5.81	5.81
Y_m grazing	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00
Average Y_m	5.94	5.94	5.78	5.79	5.79	5.79	5.79

Table 5.8 CH_4 conversion rate (Y_m) for non-dairy cattle, swine, sheep, goats and horses, %.

	Y_m
Bulls and bull calves	3.00
Heifers, heifer calves and suckling cattle	6.30
Sows	0.60
Weaners and fattening pigs	0.30
Sheep	6.70
Lamb	4.50
Goats	5.50
Horses	2.50

5.3.3 Emission factor

Implied emission factors (IEFs) vary across the years for dairy cattle, non-dairy cattle, swine, goats, horses and poultry due to changes in feed intake, distribution of animals in subcategories and number of grazing days. For goats, new subcategories are introduced in 2005 and for horses, new subcategories are introduced in 2003 and the distribution between horse subcategories changed in 2020, and the IEF therefore differs from previous years. For sheep, deer, ostrich and pheasants the IEF is constant. For IEFs for all categories for all years, see Annex 3D, Table 3D-12. The emission from fur farming is considered not applicable (Hansen, 2010).

The IEF for dairy cattle has increased from 128 kg CH_4 per cow per year in 1990 to 165 kg CH_4 in 2024. The IEF depends on milk yield and feed intake – see Figure 5.3. From 1990 to 2000, the IEF is almost unchanged but increases significantly from 2000 to 2024. The development in feed intake follows the same development as the IEF, while the milk yields in percentage increases even more and especially from year 2000. This is caused by an improved feed utilization.

A significant increase of GE is seen from 2013 to 2014, which can be explained by an increase of the average milk yield. The average milk yield had a temporary dip in 2011 and 2021, but continued to increase from 2013, to a level of approximately 11 354 litre per cow (large breed) in 2024 (Børsting & Hellwing, 2025). The development in average milk yield must be seen in context with the EU milk quota, which until 2015 limited the amount of milk each country was allowed to produce. It was possible for the Danish dairy cattle farmers to increase the milk yield from 2010/2011, but the farmers chose to hold back the feeding because of the EU milk quota.

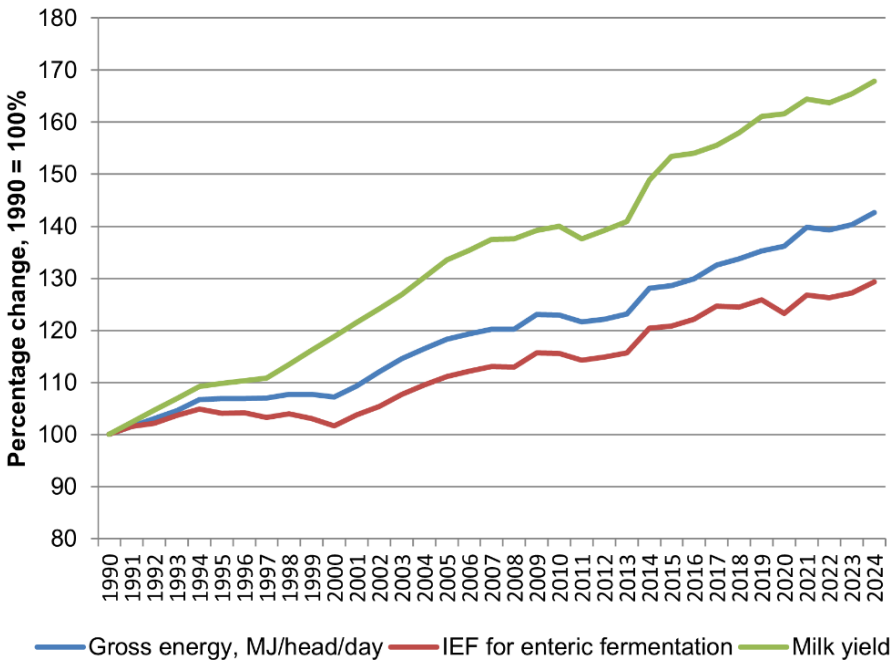


Figure 5.3 Comparison of feed intake, milk yield and IEF for dairy cattle (1990 = 100 %).

A comparison with the IPCC Tier 2 calculation in Chapter 5.13.1 shows that the IEFs by using the country specific approach are higher. However, the national IEF reflects the Danish agricultural conditions, and the higher IEF can be explained by high milk production and high feed intake.

The IEF reported for "Non-Dairy Cattle" is a weighted average of the subcategory's calves, heifers, bulls and suckling cattle. Changes in allocation of animals between subcategories are reflected in the IEF. The IEF increased slightly from 1990 - 2008 due to a higher feed consumption for heifers but has since been stable. See Annex 3D-12.

The Danish IEF for non-dairy cattle is lower than the Tier 1 default value given in the 2019 IPCC Refinement. This is due to a lower weight and lower feed intake (Table 5.9). In Chapter 5.13.1, the national IEF is compared with IPCC Tier 2 calculation, and the result shows a good correlation, which indicates the Danish estimate is correct.

Table 5.9 Subcategories for Non-Dairy Cattle 2024 – enteric fermentation.

Non-Dairy Cattle – subcategories		Number of animals (Statistics Denmark)	Energy intake, MJ per day	Methane conversion rate (Y_m), %	IEF, kg CH_4 per head per yr
Calves, bull (0-6 month)	200 kg	106 274	59.67	3	11.82
Calves, heifer (0-6 month)	150 kg	169 839	50.57	6.3	41.77
Bulls (6 month to slaughter)	large breed: 440 kg sl. weight		80.94	3	15.62
	jersey: 330 kg sl. weight	103 268			
Heifers (6 month to calving)	320 kg	436 944	136.75	6.3	56.60
Suckling cattle	Up to 800 kg	62 906	159.09	6.3	65.72
Average - Non-Dairy Cattle			100.4		39.93
IPCC – default value				6.3	52

The feed intake for sows and weaners has overall increased while the feed intake for fattening pigs has decreased as a result of improved fodder efficiency (Annex 3D Table 3D-8 and 3D-11).

Table 5.10 shows the IEFs for swine subcategories. The Danish IEF for swine is lower than the IPCC default value. The energy intake for fattening pigs is nearly the same as the default value, while the energy intake for weaners is significantly lower. The lower Danish IEF can be explained by the relatively high share of weaners.

Table 5.10 Subcategories for swine 2024 – enteric fermentation.

Swine – subcategories	Number of animals (Statistics Denmark)	Energy intake, MJ per day	Methane conversion rate (Y_m), %	IEF, kg CH_4 per head per year
Sows (incl. piglets until 6.4 kg)	938 184	73.16	0.60	2.88
Weaners (6.4 – 31 kg)	5 805 918	10.42	0.60	0.21
Fattening pigs (31 – 115 kg)	4 842 099	33.29	0.60	0.65
Average - Swine		19.0		0.61
IPCC – default value			0.60	1.5

It is important to point out that the IEF for goats includes emission from kids due to the aggregation levels in the Danish normative standards. This explains why the Danish IEFs are nearly twice as high as the IPCC default values.

5.3.4 Activity data

Activity data are the number of animals from the agricultural statistics (Statistics Denmark), SEGES and CHR (see Chapter 5.2.1). For numbers see Annex 3D Table 3D-2.

Since 1990, the number of swine and poultry has increased, in contrast to the number of cattle, which has decreased. The number of cattle has decreased because the average milk yield has increased while the total production of milk has been fixed by the EU milk quota. Buffalos, camels & llamas and mules & asses are not occurring in Denmark. In 2021 and 2022, the production of fur bearing animals was not occurring (NO) because all mink were put down in the end of 2020 to prevent spreading of COVID-virus. In 2023, the production of mink has slowly started up again.

5.3.5 Time series consistency

The main part of the emission of CH_4 from enteric fermentation comes from cattle. The average milk yield per cow has increased significantly, which correlates to an increased gross energy intake, i.e. feed per cow, and thereby increased the implied emission factor. Due to the total production of milk being fixed by the EU milk quota, the number of dairy cattle decreased as the average milk yield increased. Since the EU milk quota ended in 2015, the total milk production has increased, but due to higher feed efficiency, the IEF and emission has only seen a modest increase. The emission of CH_4 from enteric fermentation from dairy cattle decreased from 1990 to 2007 and increased from 2008 to 2024.

The emission from non-dairy cattle decreases from 1990 to 2005 and has been relatively stable since 2008.

Emission from swine increases slightly between 1990 and 2024 due to an increase in number of animals.

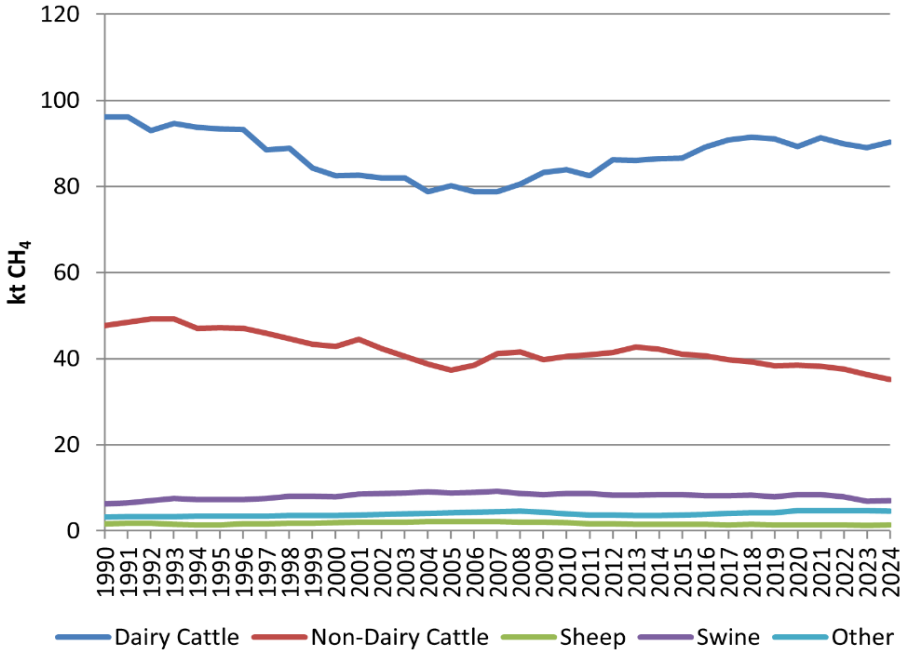


Figure 5.4 Emission of CH_4 from enteric fermentation, 1990-2024. For all numbers see Annex 3D Table 3D-13.

5.4 Manure management – CH_4

5.4.1 Description

This source contributes with 27 % of the total GHG from the agricultural sector in 2024. A major part of the emission originates from the production of

cattle (52 %) followed by swine production (47 %). The remaining part is mainly from horses and poultry (<1 % each).

5.4.2 Methodological issues

For manure management, the estimation of the CH_4 emission is based on both IPCC Tier 2 and 3 methodologies. Tier 3 methodology is used for emission from slurry/liquid manure from cattle, Danish conventionally produced (i.e. not organic) swine and digestate from biogas, thoroughly described in Annex 3D Chapter 3D-2. All other combinations of animal/manure types are estimated by an IPCC Tier 2 methodology. The Tier 2 calculation is based on manure excretion instead of feed intake as described in 2019 Refinement to the 2006 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories (IPCC, 2019). Default values for maximum methane producing capacity (B_0) (see Table 5.11) and MCF given by the IPCC are used. The calculation of volatile solids (VS) is based on national data.

Table 5.11 Maximum methane producing capacity (B_0), m^3 CH_4 per kg VS.

	B_0	B_0 grazing
Dairy cattle	0.24	0.19
Non-dairy cattle	0.18	0.19
Swine	0.45	0.19
Sheep	0.19	0.19
Goats	0.18	0.19
Deer	0.18	0.19
Fur bearing animals	0.25	-
Horses	0.3	0.19
Hens	0.39	0.19
Broilers, turkeys, ducks and geese	0.36	0.19
Ostrich	0.25	0.19

Table 5.12 CH_4 – Manure management – use of national parameters and IPCC default values.

CH_4 – Manure management	Data source
Tier 2 methodology	
Volatile solids, VS	Based on amount of manure (Annex 3D Table 3D-14)
Maximum methane producing capacity, B_0	IPCC, 2019
Methane conversion factor, MCF	IPCC, 2019
Tier 3 methodology	
Cattle and swine, liquid manure	Based on national measurements (Annex 3D Chapter 3D-2)

Tier 2 methodology

The total emission of CH_4 from manure management is the sum of the contribution from all combinations of livestock subcategory and barn type. For each combination, the amount of manure and VS is calculated and then aggregated to the IPCC livestock categories. In the calculation, grazing days and use of straw in the barn are taken into account.

$$CH_{4,manure} = EF\ CH_{4,barns} \cdot n_{animals} + EF\ CH_{4,grazing} \cdot n_{animals}$$

Where:

$n_{animals}$ = number of animals

$$EF\ CH_{4,barns} = VS_{barns} \cdot MCF \cdot 0.67 \cdot B_0$$

$$EF\ CH_{4,grazing} = VS_{grazing} \cdot MCF \cdot 0.67 \cdot B_{0grazing}$$

Where:

VS_{barns}	= amount of volatile solids, kg VS per year, based on VS excreted, see Annex 3D Table 3D-14
$VS_{grazing}$	= amount of volatile solids, kg VS per year, based on VS excreted, see Annex 3D Table 3D-14
MCF	= methane conversion factor
0.67	= conversion factor of m^3 CH_4 to kg CH_4
B_0	= maximum methane producing capacity, see Table 5.11
$B_{0grazing}$	= maximum methane producing capacity, see Table 5.11

Tier 3 methodology

The emission of CH_4 from cattle, conventional produced swine and digestate is based on VS and EF based on the temperature dependent CH_4 formation functions (Van't-Hoof/Arrhenius equation) (Sommer et al., 2004). The emission calculation also takes into account the Hydraulic Retention Time (HRT), which is the average time slurry is stored in a barn system before being discharged to an outside storage tank or transported to a biogas plant. Emissions are divided in emission from barns (cattle and swine) and emission from storage (cattle, swine, digestate).

Emission from barns is calculated as:

$$E_{barns} = VS_{barns} \cdot (EF_{barns}/365) \cdot HRT)$$

Where:

E_{barns}	= emission of CH_4 from barns, kg CH_4 per year
VS_{barns}	= amount of volatile solids, kg VS per year, based on VS excreted, see Annex 3D Table 3D-14
EF_{barns}	= emission factor for CH_4, g CH_4 per kg VS per year, based on measurements see Table 5.3
365	= number of days per year
HRT	= Hydraulic Retention Time, days, see Annex 3D Table 3D--25

And emission from storage is calculated as:

$$E_{Storage} = VS_{storage} \cdot EF_{storage}$$

Where:

$E_{storage}$	= emission of CH_4 from storage slurry, kg CH_4
$VS_{storage}$	= amount of volatile solids, kg VS per year, divided in degradable and non-degradable VS, see Annex 3D Chapter 3D-2
$EF_{storage}$	= emission factor for CH_4, divided in degradable and non-degradable, see Annex 3D Chapter 3D-2 and Table 5.13

In Table 5.13 is listed the estimated emission factors for barns, storage and digestate in CH_4 emission per VS excreted.

Table 5.13 Estimated emission factors.

Cattle	g CH_4 per kg VS per year
EF_{barns}	175.49
$EF_{storage}$	73.55*
Swine	
EF_{barns}	549.83
$EF_{storage}$	94.09*
Digestate	
$EF_{storage, digestate}$	3.45*

*Sum of EFdegradable and EFnon-degradable – see Annex 3D Chapter 3D-2 for further description.

For more thorough description of the Tier 3 methodology see Annex 3D Chapter 3D-2.

Estimation of VS

VS is calculated from data concerning amount of manure, dry matter content, share of VS in dry matter, amount of bedding and grazing days. Grazing days for dairy cattle and heifers are based on estimations made by SEGES Innovation (Martinussen, 2022). All other parameters are based on the Danish Manure Normative Standards. The determination of VS is country-specific, as it is based on the amount of manure excreted.

$$VS_{barns} = \frac{m}{365} \cdot DM_M \cdot VS_{DM} \cdot (365 - g_1) + s \cdot DM_s \cdot \left(1 - \frac{\%\ ash}{100}\right) \cdot (365 - g_2)$$

$$VS_{grazing} = \frac{m}{365} \cdot DM_M \cdot VS_{DM} \cdot g_1$$

Where:
VS = volatile solids, kg per animal per year
m = amount of manure excreted, kg per animal per year
DM_M = dry matter of manure, %
DM_S = dry matter of straw, %
VS_{DM} = volatile solids of dry matter, %
g_1 = feeding days on grass, days per year [1]
g_2 = actual days on grass, days per year
s = amount of straw, kg per animal per year
% ash = ash content in straw

The ash content in straw is set to 4.5 % (SEGES, 2005). VS of dry matter is 80 % for all livestock categories (Sommer et al., 2008, Sommer et al., 2013). The number of days on grass are based on information from DCA and SEGES (Poulsen et al., 2001, Aaes, 2008, Clausen 2008, Børsting et al., 2021, Martinussen, 2022) and is shown in Annex 3D Table 3D-9. The amount of manure excreted, and straw used, depend on barn type and is given in the normative standards table (Børsting & Hellwing, 2025).

The VS daily excretion in average for all main livestock categories and cattle subcategories is shown in Annex 3D Table 3D-14.

[1] Actual days on grass are the number of days that animal are outside. "Feeding days on grass" is higher than "Actual days on grass" due to a higher feed intake (intake of N) during grazing compared to the period in barns. "Feeding days on grass" is a conversion of this higher feed intake on grass.

MCF - Methane conversion factor used in Tier 2 methodology

Emissions calculated by Tier 2 are based on default values provided in the IPCC guidelines for MCF. For liquid systems for fur bearing animals and organic swine, the MCF is a weighted value dependent on share of covered and uncovered slurry tanks in Denmark. Also, for swine on deep bedding barn system is used a weighted value according to the residence time of manure in the barn.

MCF – Slurry/liquid manure

For liquid systems for fur bearing animals and organic swine, the MCF is a weighted value depended on the share of covered and uncovered slurry tanks in Denmark. Due to legislation from 2003, all slurry tanks must be fully covered or establish a floating cover. However, it is difficult to achieve full floating cover all days of the year, and some emission can occur during filling and mixing of manure in the tank. Therefore, it is assumed that floating/fixed covers are absent 2 % of the time. This results in a weighted MCF of 98 % covered slurry (MCF=10 (IPCC, 2006)) and 2 % uncovered (MCF=17 (IPCC, 2006))), which gives a MCF of 10.1 in 2024 for fur and organic swine slurry.

Table 5.14 Methane conversion factor (MCF) used in Tier 2 calculations for slurry/liquid manure in 2024, %.

	2024
Furbearing animals	10.14
Organic swine	10.14
Poultry	1.5

MCF - Deep bedding and solid manure

Default values provided in the IPCC guidelines for MCF are used in the Tier 2 calculations for deep bedding and solid manure. For swine, the MCF for deep bedding depends on the storage duration in the barn, and the MCF provided by IPCC is substantially higher for bedding stored more than one month (see Table 5.15). Information regarding the management of manure in bedding is based on information from SEGES and differs between the three swine subcategories. As shown in Table 5.15, weaners have the lowest MCF at 8.2 % because 70 % of the bedding material is removed during the first month. For sows, only 20 % of the bedding is removed during the first month, which lead to a higher MCF at 18.0 %.

Table 5.15 MCF factor for swine, deep bedding.

		DK condition, % of year		MCF - IPCC, 2006	
MCF, swine deep bedding	MCF, DK	> 1 month	< 1 month	> 1 month	< 1 month
Deep bedding weaners	8.23 %	30	70	21 %	2.75 %
Deep bedding fattening	13.70 %	60	40	21 %	2.75 %
Deep bedding sows	17.96 %	80	20	21 %	2.75 %

MCF used for deep bedding and solid manure for other animal types than swine are shown in Table 5.16. MCF used for deep bedding and solid manure are the same for all years 1990-2024.

Table 5.16 Methane conversion factor (MCF) used in Tier 2 calculations for solid manure and deep bedding/litter, %.

	All years
Cattle	
Solid manure	2
Deep bedding > 1 month	21
Deep bedding < 1 month	2.75
Poultry	
With and without litter	1.5
Sheep, goats and horses	
Solid manure	2
Furbearing animals	
Solid manure	2
Deep bedding	2.75
All animal types outdoor/grazing	0.47

5.4.3 Emission factor

The implied emission factor depends on the VS content in manure, the use of straw, the number of days on grass, MCF (Tier 2 calculations), Hydraulic retention time (HRT) (Tier 3 calculations) and the manure type. The changes of IEFs during the years thus reflect changes in these variables. For livestock categories which include subcategories, the IEF can also be affected by changes in allocation of animals in the different subcategories. For IEFs for all animal categories for all years, see Annex 3D Table 3D-15.

The IEF for poultry, ostriches, pheasants and deer are almost unaltered from 1990 – 2024 because of very few changes in feed intake, manure excretion and grazing days. More detailed division in subcategories was implemented for goats in 2007 and for horses in 2003. The distribution between subcategories was changed for horses in 2020. Together, these changes explain the small changes in IEFs.

IEF for dairy cattle has increased from 1990-2015 as a result of increase in feed intake and manure excretion, but also because of changes in barn types (Annex 3D Table 3D-1). Old-style tethering systems with solid manure have been replaced by loose-housing with slurry-based systems, which has a higher emission. From 2016 to 2024, the IEF for dairy cattle decreases, which is mainly due increase in slurry being treated in biogas plants and the digestate has a significant lower emission from storage.

For non-dairy cattle, the IEF increases from 1990-2008 and has remained relatively stable since. In this case, the increasing IEF is mainly caused by a higher proportion of bull-calves reared in barns with deep bedding, where the MCF is high and no reduction in emission due to biogas treating of the slurry are included.

IEF for fattening pigs for 1990-2015 fluctuate with increases and decreases mainly due to changes in barn types. From 2016 to 2024, the IEF decreases due to increase in slurry being treated in biogas plants and the digestate has a significant lower emission from storage. In 2023 and 2024, the IEF significantly decreases because the farmers from 2023 are obliged to frequently remove the slurry from the barns, which decrease HRT and thereby the emission.

5.4.4 Activity data

Activity data include both the number of animals and the allocation of animals in different barn types, which determines the manure type. For cattle and swine slurry, where emissions are calculated by Tier 3, data for HRT are also included (see Annex 3D Table 3D-25). The livestock production is based on the agricultural statistics (Statistics Denmark), SEGES and CHR (see Chapter 5.2.1) and the numbers are given in Annex 3D Table 3D-2. The allocation of barn types is based on registration from the Danish Agricultural Agency (see Chapter 5.2.2 and Annex 3D Table 3D-1).

5.4.5 Biogas treated slurry – activity data

Data regarding the amount of slurry delivered to biogas plants is available for the years 2001, 2003, 2015 - 2024. Data for year 2001 and 2003 is based on a single investigation provided by the DEA – the Danish Energy Agency, while the data for year 2015 - 2024 is collected from the so-called BIB-register (Biomass Input to Biogas production) based on data registration of the main part of all biogas plants, managed by DEA. For the intervening years, 1990-1999, 2002 and 2004-2014, the data for amount of slurry delivered to the biogas production is based on an interpolation, by using the relation between the amount of slurry delivered and the total energy production produced at the biogas plants. The total energy production from biogas plants for all years is based on the Energy Statistics (DEA, 2025).

The BIB register shows that manure accounts for around 69 % of the total biomass input. The remaining biomass input is from sewage sludge, residues from the meat production and biomass from crops. The majority of manure sent to anaerobic digestion is slurry, 88 % (mainly from the cattle- and swine production) in 2024. Deep bedding to biogas treatment accounts for 12 % of the total amount of manure.

In 1990, the energy production produced at the manure-based biogas plants is by DEA estimated to 266 TJ, and the amount of slurry used in biogas plant was estimated to 220 kt. In 2024, the energy production has increased to 30 774 TJ (DEA, 2025), and the amount of slurry delivered to the manure-based biogas plants is estimated to 13 300 kt slurry. In 2024, approximately 38 % of the total amount of slurry is delivered to the biogas plants.

5.4.6 Time series consistency

The overall CH_4 emission from manure management is increased by 4 % from 1990 to 2024, reaching a maximum emission in 2004, and since decreasing steadily until 2022 where it took an additional dive (see Figure 5.1b and 5.5). Swine production is the largest contributor to emissions from the category, and developments in the emission from manure management are thus driven by developments in emissions from swine.

The emission from swine increased from 1990 to 2004 and has since decreased, particularly between 2021 and 2023. The emission is mainly determined by the production of fattening pigs, with developments in the emission following trends in the number of produced fattening pigs. Additionally, the emission has decreased as more barns have slurry-based systems, and shorter storage times (HRT - Hydraulic Retention Time) for the manure in the barns. From 2023 the farmers are obliged to frequently remove the slurry from the barns for fattening pigs, which further decreased the emission. Likewise, increased amount of slurry being treated in biogas plants has decreased the emission.

The emission from dairy cattle has increased from 1990 to 2018, despite a decrease in number of dairy cattle, as it is related to higher milk yield and thus higher feed intake and higher manure excretion. From 2019-2024 the emission decreases, mainly as a result of an increased amount of slurry being treated in biogas plans.

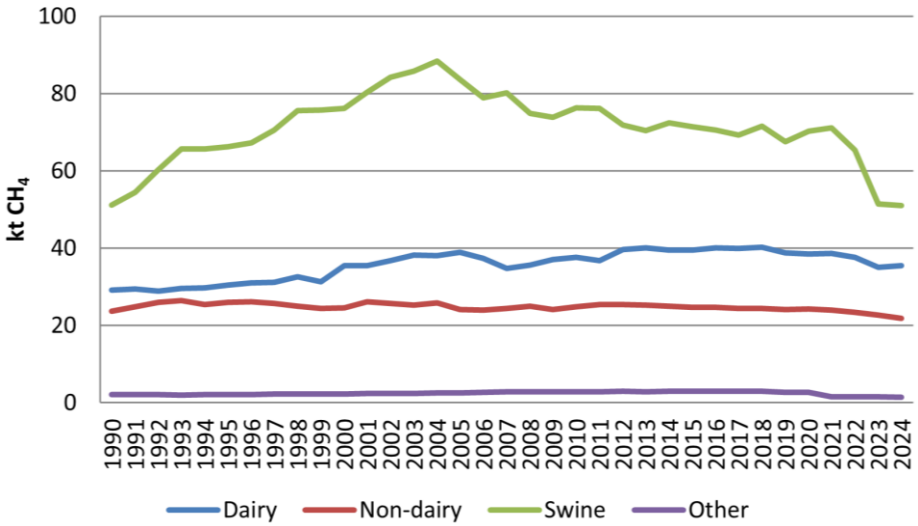


Figure 5.5 CH_4 emission from manure management, 1990 - 2024. For all numbers, see Annex 3D Table 3D-16.

5.5 Manure management – N_2O

5.5.1 Description

The N_2O emission related to CRT category 3B covers a direct and an indirect emission source. The direct emission includes emission from handling of manure in barn and storage, while the indirect emission includes the N_2O emission estimated based on the emission of NH_3 and NO_x from barn and storage.

The N_2O emission from manure management represents 4 % of the total GHG from the agricultural sector in 2024 and the major part (76 %) originates from the direct emission. Cattle- and swine production account for the largest contribution.

The reported N_2O emission from manure management only includes the emission from barn and storage, while the emission from manure deposited on grass is included in CRT category 3D.3 Urine and dung deposited by grazing animals.

5.5.2 Methodological issues

The emission is based on IPCC 2019 Guidelines Tier 2 approach and depends on the N-content in manure. National data is used for N-excretion for all livestock categories.

5.5.3 Emission factor

For the direct emission, a weighted emission factor for cattle and swine slurry with and without natural crust cover is estimated based on the IPCC default N_2O emission factors. For all other manure systems and livestock categories, the IPCC default N_2O emission factors are used. The following table shows the Danish barn system compared to the barn system given in the IPCC 2019

Guidelines Table 10.21 and the respective default emission factors. It is estimated that 2 % of cattle slurry and 5 % of swine slurry are stored without crust cover.

Table 5.17 Manure management system (MMS) - emission factors.

DK MMS	IPCC MMS	Emission factor, kg N_2O-N pr kg Nex
Cattle		
Liquid/Slurry	Liquid/Slurry, with natural crust cover	0.0049
Solid	Solid storage	0.005
Deep bedding	Cattle and Swine deep bedding, no mixing	0.01
Biogas treated slurry	Anaerobic digester	0.0006
Swine		
Liquid/Slurry	Liquid/Slurry, with natural crust cover	0.00475
Solid	Solid storage	0.005
Deep bedding	Cattle and Swine deep bedding, Active mixing	0.07
Biogas treated slurry	Anaerobic digester	0.0006
Poultry		
Barns with or without litter	Poultry manure with or without litter	0.001
Fur-bearing animals		
Slurry	Liquid/Slurry, with natural crust cover	0.005
Solid	Cattle and Swine deep bedding, no mixing	0.01
Sheep and goats		
Deep bedding	Cattle and Swine deep bedding, no mixing	0.01
Horses and ostrich		
Deep bedding	Cattle and Swine deep bedding, no mixing	0.01

N_2O emission factor for indirect emission is based on the IPCC default for wet climate, i.e. 0.014 kg N_2O-N per kg NH_3-N and NO_x-N volatilized.

5.5.4 Activity data

Besides the number of animals, the activity data for direct emission also includes how they are distributed in barn types and the N-excretion for each animal type.

The livestock production is based on the agricultural statistics (Statistics Denmark), SEGES and CHR (see Chapter 5.2.1) and the numbers are given in Annex 3D Table 3D-2. The allocation to barn types is based on registration from Agency for Green Transition and Aquatic Environment (see Chapter 5.2.2 and Annex 3D Table 3D-1).

The total amount of nitrogen in manure for each animal category is based on the standards given in the "Danish Manure Normative Standards", which builds on data from the farmers fertilisers plans – see Chapter 5.2.3 for further details. It is important to point out that the nitrogen excretion rates shown in Table 5.18 are values weighted for the subcategories and thus reflects the nitrogen excreted per AAP. Variations in N-excretion during the time series reflect changes in feed intake, feed efficiency and distribution of animals between subcategories. The nitrogen excretion has increased for dairy and non-dairy cattle as a result of higher feed intake. For fattening pigs, the nitrogen excretion has decreased, especially between 1990 and 2010, due to an improvement of feed efficiency. Nitrogen excretion has also decreased for sows

and weaners. For poultry, the average nitrogen excretion varies over time due to distribution of animals in subcategories. The trend for the average nitrogen excretion for fur farming follow the trend for feed intake and has increased over time. The average nitrogen excretion for horses has decreased from 1990 to 1995 but is almost unaltered between 1995 and 2024.

Table 5.18 Nitrogen excretion, annual average 1990 – 2024, kg N per head per year (AAP).

CRT Table 3.B(b)	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Livestock category											
Dairy cattle	129.49	125.23	125.31	133.30	138.63	143.43	156.36	156.90	156.29	155.89	158.11
Non-dairy	35.57	35.93	35.70	40.66	42.90	43.09	42.45	42.33	41.55	40.86	39.87
Sheep	6.64	6.64	6.64	6.64	6.64	6.64	6.64	6.64	6.64	6.64	6.64
Goats	16.36	16.36	16.36	15.83	16.46	16.85	16.81	16.79	16.76	16.74	16.72
Fattening pigs	20.10	15.19	12.79	12.25	10.35	10.84	10.10	9.84	9.63	9.11	8.45
Weaners	2.46	2.49	2.85	2.93	2.32	2.44	2.27	2.08	2.04	1.99	1.95
Sows	28.69	25.70	26.80	26.56	25.14	24.24	23.89	23.59	23.26	23.02	21.78
Poultry	0.63	0.62	0.55	0.72	0.59	0.56	0.48	0.47	0.42	0.45	0.48
Horses	44.15	39.56	39.56	39.56	39.56	39.56	43.81	43.81	43.81	43.81	43.81
Fur farming	4.90	4.65	4.62	5.38	5.82	5.31	5.47	NO	NO	5.82	5.67
Deer	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00
Ostrich	0.00	15.61	15.60	15.60	15.60	15.60	15.60	15.60	15.60	15.60	15.60
Pheasant	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.04
N-excretion, total, kt N per year	292	274	269	277	261	257	257	241	230	213	214
N-excretion, barns, kt N per year	255	239	235	251	240	238	239	223	213	197	198

NO – not occurring.

Activity data for the indirect emission covers the volatilisation of NH_3 and NO_x, which takes place in barns and during storage of the manure. These are based on national data, for detailed information see Annual Danish Informative Inventory Report (Nielsen et al., 2025). In CRT are reported the total N volatilised as NH_3, NO_X and N_2 but the method for calculating the emission of indirect N_2O due to volatilisation given in equation 10.28 in IPCC 2019 only includes N from NH_3 and NO_X. Table 5.19 shows volatilisation of NH_3-N, NO_X-N and N_2, total sum and sum of NH_3-N and NO_X-N used for emission calculation.

Emission of NH_3 from barns and storage has decreased from 1990 to 2024 mainly due to implementation of a number of action plans to reduce nitrogen losses from the agricultural production. NO_X emission has also decreased over time, mainly due to changes from solid based systems to slurry-based systems for both dairy cattle and swine production. In 2021 and 2022, the emission of NH_3 has further decreased due to abolition of mink production.

Table 5.19 Volatilisation of NH_3-N, NO_x-N and N_2-N in barns and during storage, 1990-2024, tonnes N.

CRT Table 3.B(b)	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
NH_3-N, barns and storage	41 338	38 389	38 684	39 110	32 984	30 153	27 685	23 427	22 147	20 204	20 231
NO_x-N, barns and storage	276	287	282	226	207	185	216	215	222	219	207
N_2-N, barns and storage	4 874	4 836	5 024	5 064	4 075	3 870	3 632	3 343	3 145	2 777	2 752
Total sum	46 488	43 512	43 990	44 400	37 266	34 208	31 533	26 985	25 515	23 201	23 190
Sum NH_3-N and NO_X-N*	41 615	38 676	38 967	39 336	33 191	30 338	27 901	23 642	22 370	20 423	20 438

* sum used for emission calculation

5.5.5 Time series consistency

The N_2O emission from manure management is estimated to 1.89 kt in 2024 of which 0.45 kt is related to the indirect emission. The overall emission has decreased with 1.6 kt N_2O from 1990 – 2024 corresponding to 45 %. This decrease is mainly caused by a decreased emission from swine, which is driven by improvements in feed efficiency. The average nitrogen excretion per swine has decreased significantly from 1990 (see Table 5.18) due to the farmers' economic benefit of increased feed efficiency and due to environmental requirements.

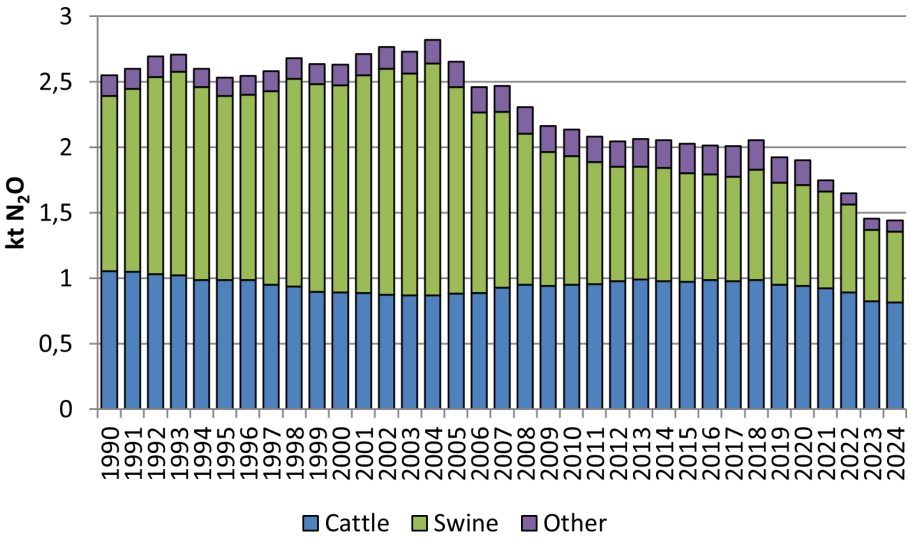


Figure 5.6 N_2O direct emission from manure management, 1990 - 2024.

5.6 Managed soils – direct N_2O emissions

5.6.1 Description

The emissions from agricultural soils – direct emissions, is emissions from inorganic N fertiliser, animal manure applied to soils, sewage sludge, other organic fertiliser applied to soils, urine and dung deposited by grazing animals, crop residues, mineralization/immobilization and organic soils. Emission from agricultural soils – direct emissions contribute, in 2024 with 71 % of the N_2O emission from the agricultural sector. The largest sources are crop residues, manure and inorganic N fertilisers applied on agricultural soils, contributing 25 %, 25 % and 32 % to the total, respectively. The emission has overall decreased 30 % from 1990 to 2024.

5.6.2 Methodological issues

To calculate the N_2O emission the IPCC Tier 1 methodology and Tier 1/CS is used, except from grazing animals and mineralization, where Tier 2 methodology is used.

Emissions of N_2O are closely related to the nitrogen balance and all data concerning the evaporation of NH_3 and data for manure condition is applied from the national NH_3 emission inventory. This is described in detail in Albrektsen & Mikkelsen (2026) and Annual Danish Informative Inventory Report (Nielsen et al., 2025).

5.6.3 Activity data

Area of agricultural land is shown in Annex 3D Table 3D-17.

Inorganic N fertiliser applied to soils

The amount of nitrogen (N) applied to soil by use of inorganic N fertiliser is estimated from sales statistics and from the Danish fertiliser N accounts both controlled by Agency for Green Transition and Aquatic Environment (SGAV). As a part of the QA/QC procedure the sale statistics and the actual consumption registered in the Danish fertiliser N accounts is compared. This comparison shows an increasing discrepancy for several years and a particularly large discrepancy in 2016, caused by the growing own import of inorganic fertilisers for the farmers. The farmer is allowed to import fertiliser, if the consumption is related to their own fields, but not for onward sale, and the import would in that case not appear in the fertiliser sales statistics. For this reason, emissions from N applied to soil by inorganic fertilisers are based on the Danish Fertiliser N accounts from 2009-2016. More companies were included in the sales statistics from 2017 (SGAV, 2020). Therefore, the amount of N applied to soil by use of inorganic N fertiliser in 2017 and 2019-2024 is based on the sales statistics managed by the SGAV. For 2018, a high uncertainty is indicated for the sales statistics (Skade, 2020) and therefore use of inorganic N fertiliser is based on the Danish fertiliser N accounts for 2018.

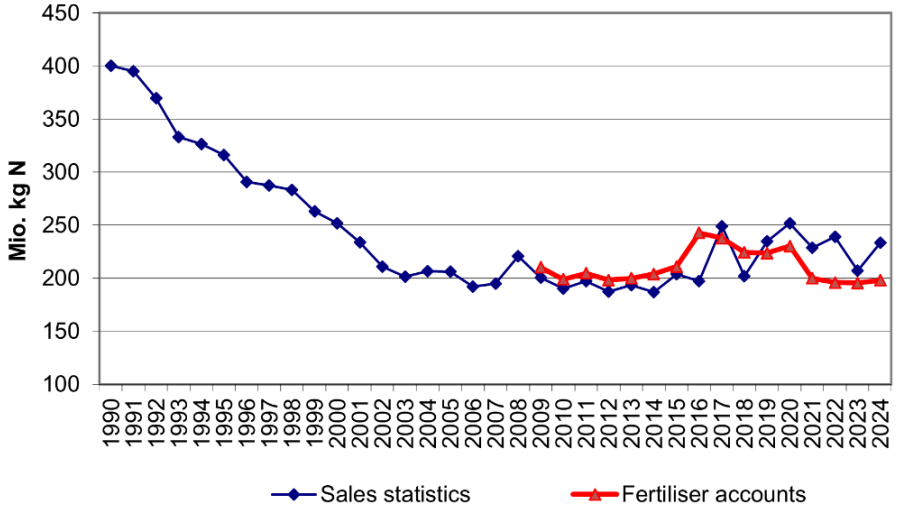


Figure 5.7 N applied from inorganic N fertiliser, sales statistic and N fertiliser account.

The consumption of each fertiliser type for the inorganic fertiliser (Table 5.20) is based on the distribution given in the sales estimates from 2022 (SGAV, 2023) combined with total use of inorganic N fertiliser is based on the Danish fertiliser N accounts. The NH_3 emission factor for each fertiliser is based on the values from the EMEP/EEA Guidebook 2023. The emission factors are weighted for soil with normal pH (≤ 7) and high pH (> 7), as 79 % of the Danish soils have a normal pH and 21 % have a high pH. The NH_3 emission depends on fertiliser type, and a major part of the Danish emission is related to the use of ammonium nitrate and NPK fertiliser, where the emission factor is 0.087 kg NH_3-N per kg N. The Danish fraction of synthetic fertiliser N that volatilises as NH_3 and NOx ($Frac_{GASF}$) is low compared to the IPCC default value. This is due to the small consumption of urea (1 %), which has a high emission factor.

Table 5.20 Inorganic N fertiliser consumption 2024 and the NH_3 emission factors.

	NH_3 Emission factor[1] kg NH_3-N per kg N	Consumption[2] 1000 t N
Fertiliser type		
Pure ammonium nitrate	0.025	0.04
Ammonium nitrate with/without sulphur	0.025	105.41
Ammonium nitrate-urea solutions	0.084	2.36
Urea	0.163	2.19
Calcium ammonium nitrate	0.025	7.66
Calcium and boron calcium nitrate	0.087	0.01
Ammonium sulphate	0.087	16.95
Ammonium sulphate nitrate	0.087	9.27
Liquid ammonia	0.017	3.48
Liquid nitrogen	0.084	4.97
NPK-fertiliser	0.087	63.24
NK fertiliser	0.025	0.62
Other NP fertiliser types	0.087	2.94
Other fertiliser with N	0.025	11.36
Diammonphosphate	0.087	2.71
Other[3]	0.048	0.00
Total consumption of N in inorganic N fertiliser		233.22
National emission of NH_3-N, kt	9.54	
Average NH_3-N emission	0.05	
$Frac_{GASF}$[4]	0.06	

[1]) EMEP/EEA (2023), cool climate, weighted 79 % normal pH and 21 % high pH.
[2]) SGAV (2025).
[3]) Including use of inorganic N fertiliser used in parks, golf courses and private gardens
4) FracGASF fraction of synthetic fertiliser N that volatilises as NH_3 and NOx, kg N volatilised (kg of N applied).

The use of inorganic N fertiliser includes fertiliser used in parks, golf courses and private gardens. One percent of the inorganic N fertiliser can be related to these uses outside the agricultural area (Knudsen, 2011).

As a result of increasing requirements for improved use of nitrogen in livestock manure and reduced nitrogen loss to the environment, the consumption of nitrogen in inorganic N fertiliser has decreased from 1990 to 2005 (Table 5.21). From 2005 to 2015, only small variation is seen in the consumption of N and emission of N_2O. In 2016-2022 the consumption and emission increase due to a political agreement on Food and Agricultural package, adopted in December 2015 (MEFD, 2017). The purpose of the agreement was to establish better framework conditions for the agricultural production, to ensure opportunities for economic growth and increased exports and increased employment in interaction with nature and the environment. This agreement made it legally possible to use more nitrogen for some areas. In 2024 the consumption of nitrogen in inorganic N fertiliser has increased compared to 2023 but decreased slightly compared to 2022.

Table 5.21 Nitrogen applied as fertiliser to agricultural soils 1990 – 2024.

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
N content in inorganic N fertiliser, kt N	400	316	251	206	201	213	252	229	239	207	233
N_2O emission, kt N_2O	6.29	4.96	3.95	3.24	3.16	3.35	3.96	3.59	3.75	3.25	3.66

Animal manure applied to soils

The amount of nitrogen applied to soils is estimated as the N-excretion in barns which includes N from bedding. The total N-excretion in barns from 1990 to 2024 has decreased by 23 % (Table 5.22).

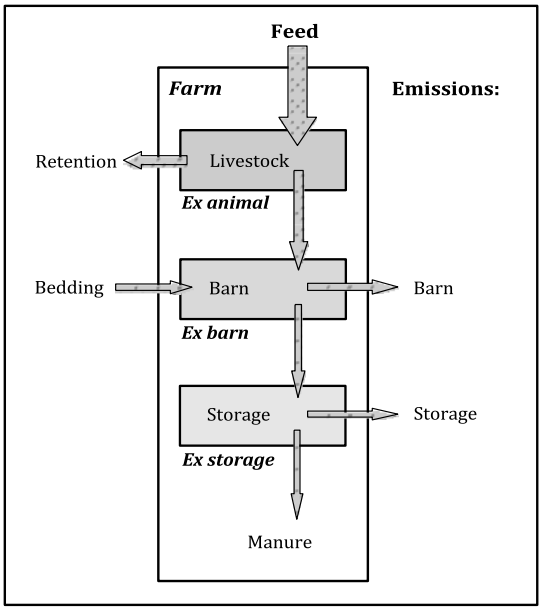


Figure 5.8 The flow dynamics of the Danish Manure Normative Standards, which quantifies nutrient content in livestock manure ex animal, ex barn and ex storage (Luostarinen and Kaasinen, 2016).

Table 5.22 Nitrogen applied as manure to agricultural soils 1990 – 2024.

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
N-excretion, barns, kt N	255	239	235	251	240	238	239	223	213	197	198
N in manure applied on soil, kt N*	209	197	195	212	209	212	214	203	193	179	180
N_2O emission, kt N_2O	3.28	3.10	3.07	3.33	3.29	3.32	3.37	3.19	3.04	2.82	2.83

*Including N from bedding.

Sewage sludge applied to soils

Information regarding the amount of sewage sludge applied on agricultural soil as fertiliser is based on information from the Danish Environmental Protection Agency, and covers the years 1990-2002, 2005, 2008-2009, 2012-2024 (DEPA, 2025). For the years 2003-2004, 2006-2007 and 2010-2011, the amount is estimated by interpolation The N-content varies from 4 to 6 kg N per kg dry matter for the years 1990-2024 (DEPA, 2009, DEPA, 2022).

Table 5.23 Emission from sewage sludge applied on agricultural soils 1990 – 2024.

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Nitrogen in sewage sludge, t N	3 115	4 635	3 625	2 710	3 639	8 132	4 943	8 436	7 464	7 546	6 836
N_2O emission, kt N_2O	0.05	0.07	0.06	0.04	0.06	0.13	0.08	0.13	0.12	0.12	0.11

Other organic fertilisers applied to soils

The category, "Other", includes emission from sludge from industries, which is applied to agricultural soils as fertiliser and biomass other than manure treated in biogas plants.

Information about industrial waste applied on agricultural soils and the content of nitrogen is obtained from a series of reports published by the Danish Environmental Protection Agency, where the most recent official figures cover year 2001 (Petersen & Kielland, 2003). From 2005 and onwards, the amount of N from sludge from industries applied to soil is based on the information registered in the Danish N fertiliser accounts controlled by Agency for Green Transition and Aquatic Environment. The N applied for years 2002-2004 are interpolated.

Amount of nitrogen applied to soil from biomass treated in biogas plants (other than manure) are based on energy production in the biogas plants given in PJ and N per PJ were amount of N from NH_3 emission at the biogas plant are subtracted. Amount of NH_3 emission from feedstock at the biogas plants are reported in the waste sector in the Danish Informative Inventory Report (Nielsen et al., 2025). N per PJ is estimated to 9.4 tonnes N per PJ based on an average of N in feedstock and energy production in 2016-2019.

Table 5.24 Emission from sludge from industries applied on agricultural soils 1990 – 2024.

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Nitrogen in industrial waste, t N	1 529	4 445	5 147	2 359	3 401	4 455	5 283	5 425	5 800	5 148	4 026
Nitrogen in other biomass, t N	6.6	12.3	21.0	30.1	36.8	55.9	192.2	238.1	263.8	289.7	293.5
N applied on soil	1 536	4 457	5 168	2 389	3 438	4 511	5 475	5 663	6 064	5 438	4 319
N_2O emission, kt N_2O	0.02	0.07	0.08	0.04	0.05	0.07	0.09	0.09	0.10	0.09	0.07

Urine and dung deposited by grazing animals

The amount of nitrogen deposited on grass is based on estimates from the NH_3 inventory (Nielsen et al., 2025). Information on grazing days is based on expert judgement from DCA and SEGES (Poulsen et al., 2001, Aaes, 2008, Clausen, 2008, Børsting et al., 2021, Martinussen, 2022). N-excretion on grass has decreased due to a reduction in the number of dairy cattle and days on grass. Emission factor from IPCC 2019 is used.

Table 5.25 Nitrogen excreted on grass 1990 – 2024.

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
N-excretion, grass, kt N	37	35	34	26	21	18	17	17	17	16	16
N_2O emission, kt	0.23	0.21	0.20	0.15	0.12	0.11	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.09

$Frac_{GASM}$

The $Frac_{GASM}$ express the fraction of N applied that is volatilised as NH_3 and NO_x emission from all organic N fertilisers and dung and urine deposited by grazing animals. Emission factors for NH_3 from the barn unit and storage are given in Annex 3D Table 3D-3 and 3D-4. The $Frac_{GASM}$ has decreased from 0.20 in 1990 to 0.09 in 2023 (Table 5.26). This is the result of an active strategy to improve the utilisation of the nitrogen in manure.

Table 5.26 $Frac_{GASM}$ 1990 – 2024.

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
N applied, kt N	250	242	238	243	237	242	242	234	224	209	208
NH_3-N and NO_x- N emission, kt N	50	39	32	23	23	21	21	20	19	18	18
$Frac_{GASM}$	0.20	0.16	0.13	0.09	0.10	0.08	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.09

Crop residues

The N_2O emission from crop residues is calculated with the tier 1 methodology from the 2019 IPCC guidelines. In the tier 1 methodology, the N2O emission from crop residues is proportional to the N content in the crop residues left in the field after harvest. The N in crop residues is calculated as the sum of N in above ground and below ground residues, subtracted the N removed in the form of straw used for feeding, bedding and biofuel.

The calculation of total N in crop residues is based on yearly data for crop yields, cultivated area and removed straw biomass, which are collected by Statistics Denmark (DSt, 2025a). Country specific values for the dry matter content in harvested crops are based on a Feedstuff table produced by SEGES (2005). For the remaining factors used in the calculations, e.g. N content in

harvested dry matter, the 2019 IPCC Guidelines, Volume 4, table 11.1a and 11.2 are used. The default aggregated N_2O emission factor of 0.01 kg N_2O-N per kg N in crop residues is used.

The inventory includes residues from catch crops, which are not included in the cultivated area reported by Statistics Denmark, but collected by SGAV directly from farmers as it relates to subsidy schemes. In an effort to reduce the leaching of N to aquatic environments, the area with catch crops has approximately 10-folded since 2000; from 45,000 ha in 2000 to 450,000 ha in 2024. To calculate the total N content, an estimated value of 45 kg N/ha is used for all areas with catch crops (Sørensen, 2021).

The total amount of N in crop residues is on the same level in 2024 as in 1990, with 198,3 and 200,6 kt N left after crop harvest, respectively (Table 5.27). However, due to a smaller harvest and use of straw, the crop residue N leading to N_2O emissions are slightly higher in 2024.

Table 5.27 N-content in crop residue, 1990-2024.

kt N	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Total N in crop residue	200.6	190.5	195.4	199.8	211.4	227.7	226.5	212.8	223.3	193.1	198.3
N-content in harvested straw	24.2	20.1	17.4	14.6	14.8	13.6	14.8	13.8	16.0	12.7	15.3
N in crop residue, kt	176.4	170.3	178.1	185.2	196.6	214.0	211.7	199.0	207.3	180.4	182.9

Figure 5.9 shows the contribution of different crops to the total N in crop residues, prior to N from straw being deducted. The largest sources for crop residue N are winter wheat, spring barley, maize and grass-clover mixtures. Changes in distribution reflect changes in cultivated area and harvest yield, which can be seen in e.g. 1992 and 2018 where the lower N content reflect a dry spring and summer. Between 2009 and 2021, crop residue N levels were generally near or above 200 kt N, with a maximum of 216 kt in 2014. In 2023 and 2024, N in crop residues has been markedly lower than the trend in the preceding decade, primarily due to a lower production of winter wheat and spring barley.

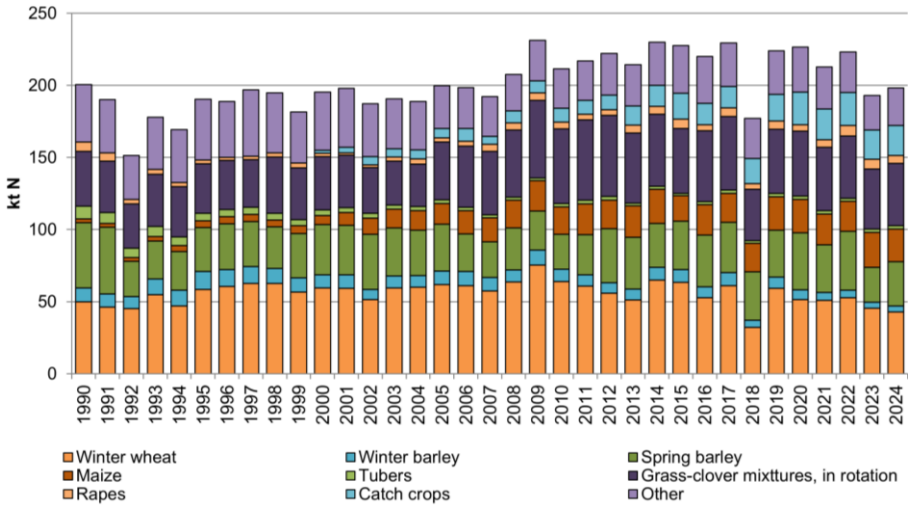


Figure 5.9 Total N in crop residue, 1990 – 2024.

Mineralization/immobilization associated with loss/gain of soil organic matter

The N mineralization from mineral soils associated with loss/gain of soil organic matter is estimated with a dynamical modelling tool - C-TOOL, which is used to estimate long-term changes in carbon from mineral soils. C-TOOL is a 3-pooled dynamic model, where the approximate average half-life times for the three different pools, Fresh organic matter (FOM), Humified organic matter (HUM) and ROM (Resilient Organic Matter) are 0.6-0.7 years, 50 years and 600-800 years, respectively. The main part of biomass returned to soil each year is in the first and easiest degradable FOM pool. This pool consists of mainly fresh straw, fresh manure, root residues, fungi and small animals and fluctuates very much between years depending on the harvest yield and climatic conditions. The annual input to the FOM-pool is very close to the estimated annual amount of crop residues. For a further description, see LU-LUCF, Section 6.4 Cropland.

The estimated release of N_2O follows equation 11.8, page 11.20 in Volume 4 of the 2019 IPCC Guidelines. The N_2O formation is estimated from the annual changes in the HUM and ROM pools. Changes in the FOM pool is considered to be the same as changes in the crop residues incorporated in the soil, and to avoid double-counting changes in the FOM is not included.

C-TOOL is subdivided into 44 combinations of regions and soil types. Within each subdivision only losses in soil carbon are included in the estimate. If a subdivision one year has an increase in the HUM and ROM pool, the release of N_2O is zero by default, as only losses are included, see eq. 11.8 page 11.20 in Volume 4 of the 2019 IPCC Guidelines. A C:N-ratio of 10, which is common in the fertilized Danish agricultural soils are used for all soil types. The recommended default value for C:N-ratio in the 2019 IPCC Guidelines is 15.

Cultivation of organic soils

N_2O emissions from cultivation of organic soils are based on the area of organic soils of cropland and grassland, 2013 Wetlands Supplement (IPCC, 2014).

Department of Agroecology, Aarhus University, is responsible for the estimates, models and maps used as background data defining the extend and location of organic soils in Denmark. The definition of organic soils within IPCC guidelines is limited to soils with more than 12 % organic carbon (OC) content (IPCC, 2006). The Danish inventory includes only managed organic soils as reported by the farmers in Danish Land Parcel Information System (LPIS) with an OC content of more than 6 %, as defined in the national mappings and in Beucher et al. (2024). The soils with 6-12 % OC also show significant losses of C (Tiemeyer et al., 2016) and make up approximately 50 % of the reported area in Denmark.

The available data has formed three national mappings of organic soils in Denmark, dated to 1975, 2010 and the most recent in 2022. To create a full timeline for the inventory, the area is linearly interpolated for the years 1976-2009 and 2012-2021. In absence of precise data, the distribution of the soils in land use classes is also assumed to be linear.

The 1975 map is based on an estimated total land area with organic soils from the original Danish soil classification provided by DCA. All soils of >6 % OC, were then classified as humus soils and given the soil classification type 'JB11'

(Madsen et al., 1992, Greve, 2022). For inventory purposes, the soils with above 12 % OC were distinguished through geostatistical analysis on data from the original soil samples (Greve et al., 2014) and the remainder grouped as containing 6-12 % OC. The 2010 map is a statistical map covering all of Denmark based on >10 000 soil samples and mapped information on hydrological conditions that classifies the soils in groups of <3 % OC, 3-6 % OC, 6-12 % OC and >12 % OC. The 2010 map is often referred to as 'Tekstur2014' and is described in detail in Adhikari et al. (2013) and in Greve et al. (2011, 2021). The 2022 map is a form of reconstruction of the 2010 map and is called 'Kulstof2022'/'Peat2022'. Kulstof2022 is two different maps: a distribution map with the average OC % in the upper 30 cm and a peat depth map. It is based on both new samples and re-sampling on sites from the 2010 map, that were used to construct a model projecting of the topsoil OC concentration in all the old sampling sites (>10 000). Kulstof2022 showed a large decrease in the number of hectares with ≥6 % OC content and is documented and described in detail in (Beucher et al., 2024). The decrease indicates a loss of carbon and resulted in reclassification of many hectares from organic soils to mineral soils.

Extrapolation since 2022 is carried out by applying the same estimated projection of carbon loss (0.16 % per year) as developed and used for the Kulstof2022 map (Beucher et al., 2024, Weber, 2023) for soils having a peat depth of <34 cm. The extrapolation is performed for each 10*10 m pixels in the Kulstof2022 map and the peat depth map. Prior to submission 2025, which was the first inventory applying the Kulstof2022 map, the extent of organic soils based on Tekstur2014 from 2010 was set as a constant.

As emissions are only reported from managed soils, the area impacted by drainage and cultivation of organic soils is based on overlap analysis between Kulstof2022 and information on cultivation and crop types from the Danish (field and) Land Parcel Information System (LPIS). The field information from LPIS is used to categorize the land use into three categories from which N_2O emissions are reported; annual cropping, perennial grasses and areas with previous but no current field identification, which are defined as abandoned lands partly water covered. Each year a number of organic soils are also categorized as Wetlands, based on national information on wetland restoration projects, for which emissions are reported in LULUCF. The extended LPIS data analysis process is carried out mainly as input for the LULUCF sector and described further in Chapter 6.4 and 6.5.

Agricultural soils in use under Danish conditions will normally have a carbon content of around 2 % organic carbon OC (Taghizadeh-Toosi et al., 2014). This is the equilibrium state and drained land under agricultural use will therefore evidently approach an OC content of 1.5-3 %. It is therefore assumed that soils with 6-12 % OC will have losses of CO_2, N_2O and CH_4, but all areas are subdivided into areas with >12 % of OC and 6-12 % OC.

N_2O emissions are calculated using a Tier 1 method based on the 2013 Wetland Supplement, IPCC (2014). The areas with >12 % of OC are multiplied by the default emission factor from Table 2.5 in IPCC (2014) of which for >12 % OC is 13 kg N_2O-N per ha cropland, 8.2 kg N_2O-N per ha deep-drained, nutrient-rich grassland and 1.6 kg N_2O-N per ha shallow-drained, nutrient-rich grassland (abandoned lands only). Almost all measurements in the literature are performed on soils having >12 % OC and due to limited measurements in

areas with 6-12 % OC, it is chosen to use 50 % of default values for soils having >12 % OC, i.e. 6.5, 4.1 and 0.8 kg N_2O-N per ha, respectively.

EF for cultivation of organic soils is constant for all years 1990-2024. The area of organic soils is shown in Table 5.28. The area of organic soils has decreased from 1990 to 2024, see also Chapter 6.4.7.

Table 5.28 Area of organic soils in ha, 1990-2024.

Year	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Cropland, >12 % OC	52.501	49.555	46.610	43.663	40.718	37.791	34.863	34.279	33.693	33.072	32.436
Grassland, >12 % OC	48.636	45.907	43.178	40.449	37.720	29.529	21.338	19.699	18.061	17.714	17.384
Cropland, 6-12 % OC	75.897	74.213	72.528	70.844	69.159	44.818	20.477	15.609	10.741	10.592	10.451
Grassland, 6-12 % OC	36.039	35.239	34.439	33.639	32.839	41.838	50.837	52.637	54.437	52.440	50.550

5.6.4 Emission factors

In the calculation of N_2O from agricultural soils, most of the N_2O emission factors are based on the default values given by the IPCC (IPCC, 2019). EF for cultivation of organic soils are based on the 2013 Wetlands Supplement (IPCC, 2014). An overview of NH_3 and N_2O emission factors is presented in Table 5.29.

Table 5.29 Emission factors – NH_3 and N_2O from agricultural soils – direct emissions.

	NH_3 emission factor (national data) Kg NH_3-N per kg N	N_2O emission factor (IPCC default value) kg N_2O -N per kg N
Inorganic N fertilisers	0.05*	0.01[1]
Animal manure applied to soils	0.17**	0.01[1]
Sewage sludge applied to soils	0.11[3]	0.01[1]
Other organic fertilisers applied to soils	0.07[3]	0.01[1]
Urine and dung deposited by grazing animals	0.05-0.35[3]	0.003-0.004[1]
Crop residues		0.01[1]
Mineralization/immobilization associated with loss/gain of soil organic matter		0.01[1]
Cultivation of organic soils		4.1-13***[2]

*Varies from year to year.

**Varies from year to year, has decreased from 0.33 in 1990.

***Unit: kg N_2O-N per ha.

[1] IPCC (2019) Aggregated default.

[2] IPCC (2014).

[3] EMEP/EEA Guidebook (2023).

5.6.5 Time series consistency

Figure 5.10 shows the distribution and the development of N_2O emission from 1990 to 2024, as emitted from different N_2O sources. The yearly variations in emissions are mainly due to variations in the use of and emission from inorganic N fertiliser and animal manure applied to soils. The main decrease is seen from 1990 to 2002 and is mainly due to the decrease in emission from inorganic N fertiliser, which is caused by increasing requirements for improved use of nitrogen in livestock manure and reduction of nitrogen loss to the environment. From 2003 to 2024, small yearly variations are seen, with increased emissions in 2008, 2016, 2017 and 2020 mainly due to increase in emission from inorganic N fertiliser. In 2018, the emission was lower due to drought in spring and summer reducing the harvest yield, which decreased emissions from inorganic N fertiliser and crop residues. In 2023, the emission

decreased due to lower emission from inorganic N fertiliser, manure applied to soil and crop residues.

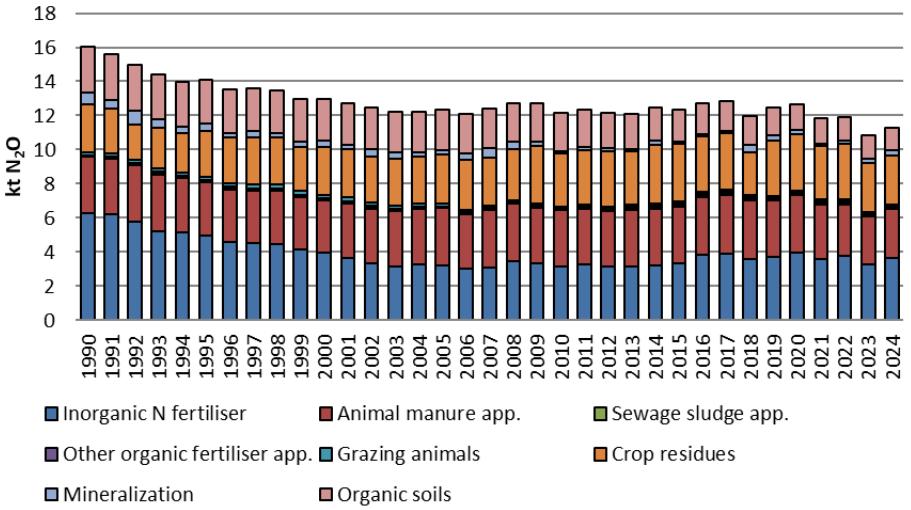


Figure 5.10 N_2O emissions from agricultural soils – direct emissions 1990 - 2024.

5.7 Managed soils – indirect N_2O emissions

5.7.1 Description

The emissions from agricultural soils – indirect N_2O emissions, are emissions from atmospheric deposition and from leaching and run-off. In 2024, agricultural soils – indirect emissions contribute 17 % of the N_2O emission from the agricultural sector. The largest source is nitrogen leaching and run-off. The emission has decreased by 49 % from 1990 to 2024.

5.7.2 Methodological issues

To estimate the emission of N_2O from atmospheric deposition, the IPCC (2019) Tier 2 methodology is applied with national data for the ammonia emission and the N-excretion.

For emission from leaching and run-off, the calculation methodology from IPCC 2019 guidelines is used but based on national data and model for nitrogen leach to groundwater, watercourses (rivers) and the sea (estuaries). Nitrogen, which is transported through the soil, can be transformed to N_2O through microbial activity. The IPCC 2019 recommends an N_2O emission factor of 0.011 used, of which 0.006 is for leaching to groundwater, 0.0026 for transport to watercourses (in IPCC definition called rivers) and 0.0026 for transport out to sea (in IPCC definition called estuaries). The N_2O emission from nitrogen leaching is a sum of the emission for all three parts calculated as:

$$N_2O_{leaching} = \left(N_{leach\ ground} \cdot EF_{ground} + N_{leach\ rivers} \cdot EF_{rivers} + N_{leach\ estuaries} \cdot EF_{estuaries}\right) \cdot \frac{44}{28}$$

In the National Monitoring program of the Water Environment and Nature (NOVANA) (Thorsen et al., 2025), nitrogen leaching to groundwater, rivers and estuaries has been estimated, see Table 5.31. The calculation of N to the groundwater is based on two different models – SKEP/Daisy and N-LES (Børgesen & Grant, 2003) maintained by DCA and DCE, Aarhus University (see overview of model in Annex 3D Figure 3D-1). SKEP/Daisy is a dynamic crop growth model, whereas N-LES is an empirical leaching model based on

more than 1500 leaching studies performed in Denmark during the last 15 years. The models produce rather similar results for nitrogen leaching on a national basis (Waagepetersen et al., 2008).

5.7.3 Activity data

Atmospheric deposition

Atmospheric deposition includes all agricultural NH_3 and NO_x emission sources included in the Danish NH_3 emission inventory (Nielsen et al., 2025). Emission from atmospheric deposition from livestock manure, barns and storage, is reported in Sector 3B. Atmospheric deposition reported in Sector 3D includes the emission from livestock manure applied to soils and deposited during grazing, inorganic N fertiliser, growing crops, crop residue, NH_3-treated straw used as feed, field burning of crop residues, sewage sludge and other organic fertiliser applied to agricultural soils.

The emission from atmospheric deposition has decreased from 1990 to 2024 because of the reduction in the total NH_3 and NO_X emission, from 92 579 tonnes of N in 1990 to 40 729 in 2024.

Table 5.30 NH_3 and NO_x emission 2024.

	t NH_3-N	t NOx-N
Manure*	14 957	2 392
Inorganic N fertilisers	12 386	2 839
Crops	5 157	
Crop residue	1 386	
NH_3 treated straw	433	
Burning of agricultural residues	25	
Sewage sludge	732	83
Other organic fertiliser	285	53
Emission total	35 361	5 367
N_2O emission, kt		0.90

*Manure includes manure applied to soil and grass.

Nitrogen leaching and Run-off

For N-leaching for ground water, the SKEP/Daisy model has estimated the total N leached from 2003-2011 to be 149-175 thousand tonnes N, whereas the N-LES model has estimated the total N leached to be 161-170 thousand tonnes in the same period. An average of the results from the two models is used in the emission inventory. Since 2012, data from N-LES is used (Thorsen, 2025, Thorsen et al., 2025).

Data concerning the N-leaching to rivers and estuaries are based on data from NOVANA (National Monitoring program of the Water Environment and Nature) received from the Department of Ecoscience, Aarhus University (Windorf et al., 2011, Windorf, 2013, Tornbjerg, 2025). NOVANA is a monitoring program, which includes monitoring of the ecological, physical and chemical conditions of water areas and transport of water and a range of substances, including N, to lakes and the sea (Wiberg-Larsen et al., 2010). These studies include measurements from 223 monitoring stations in all parts of Denmark, and have been carried out since the early 1990's.

Table 5.31 N leaching to groundwater, rivers and estuaries in kt, 1990-2024.

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Groundwater	267	235	179	162	167	153	149	141	129	136	128
Rivers	87	86	81	53	54	79	70	53	52	77	86
Estuaries	96	84	75	52	55	69	56	50	44	64	66

Figure 5.11 shows leaching from groundwater estimated in relation to the nitrogen applied to agricultural soils as livestock manure, inorganic N fertiliser, sludge, crop residue and mineralization. The average proportion of nitrogen leaching from groundwater has decreased from around 33 % in the middle of the nineties to around 20 % in 2023. The decline is due to implementation of measures to avoid the nitrogen surplus in the agricultural production by improved utilization of nitrogen in manure, to use catch crops during winter and a ban on manure application of manure. The reduction in nitrogen applied to soil is particularly due to the reduction in the use of inorganic N fertiliser between 1990 and 2003. From 2002 to 2020, small yearly variations are seen with increase in 2008, 2016, 2017, 2019 and 2020 due to increase in N from inorganic N fertiliser. In 2018, 2021 and 2023, a decreased is seen mainly due to decrease in N from inorganic N fertiliser, manure applied to soil and crop residues.

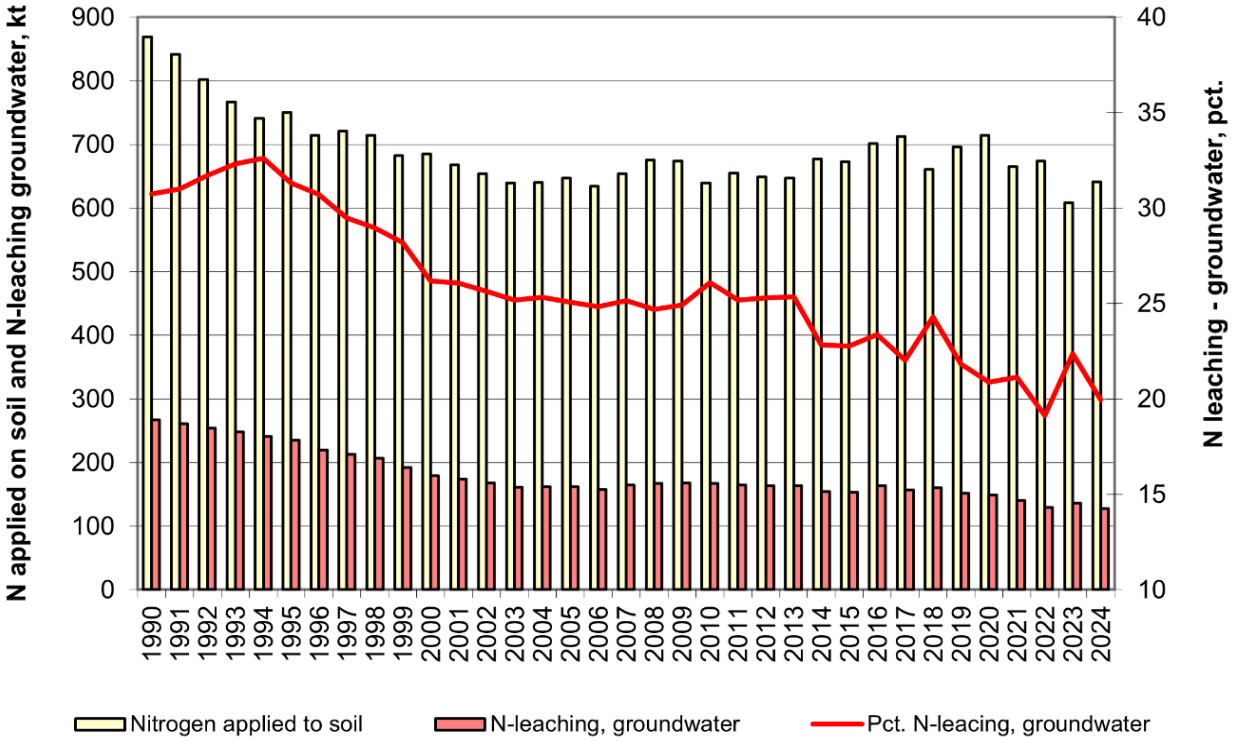


Figure 5.11 Nitrogen applied to agricultural soils and N-leaching, groundwater 1990-2024.

$Frac_{LEACH}$

The proportion of N input to soils lost through leaching and runoff ($Frac_{LEACH}$) is in the Danish emission inventory calculated as:

$$Frac_{LEACH} = {N_{leached}}/{N_{applied}}$$

Where:

$Frac_{LEACH}$ = proportion of N input to soils lost through leaching and runoff

$N_{leached}$ = amount of N leached to ground water based on SKEP/Daisy and N-Les model, kt N

$N_{applied}$ = N applied to agricultural soils from manure, inorganic N fertiliser, sludge, crop residue and mineralization, kt N

In 2024, the Danish $Frac_{LEACH}$ are 20 %; the default value of the IPCC is 24 %. $Frac_{LEACH}$ has decreased from 1990 and onwards. At the beginning of the 1990s, manure was often applied in autumn. Now, the main part of manure application takes place in the spring and early summer, where there is nearly

no downward movement of soil water. The decrease in $Frac_{LEACH}$ over time is due to increasing environmental requirements and banning manure application after harvest.

5.7.4 Emission factors

In the calculation of indirect N_2O emissions from agricultural soils, the emission factors for both sources are based on the default values given by the IPCC (IPCC, 2019). See Table 5.32.

Table 5.32 Emission factors – N_2O from agricultural soils – indirect emissions.

	N_2O emission factor (IPCC default value) kg N_2O -N per kg N
Atmospheric Deposition	0.014*
Nitrogen Leaching and Run-off	0.0112**

* Emission factor for wet climate.

** Groundwater = 0.006, rivers = 0.0026 and estuaries = 0.0026.

5.7.5 Time series consistency

Figure 5.12 shows the emission of N_2O from agricultural soils – indirect emissions. Both emissions from atmospheric deposition and leaching ad run-off have decreased from 1990 to 2023. The dips and jumps are mainly due to change in emission from leaching and run-off. The decrease during the 1990's can be explained by increasing environmental requirements and banning manure application after harvest.

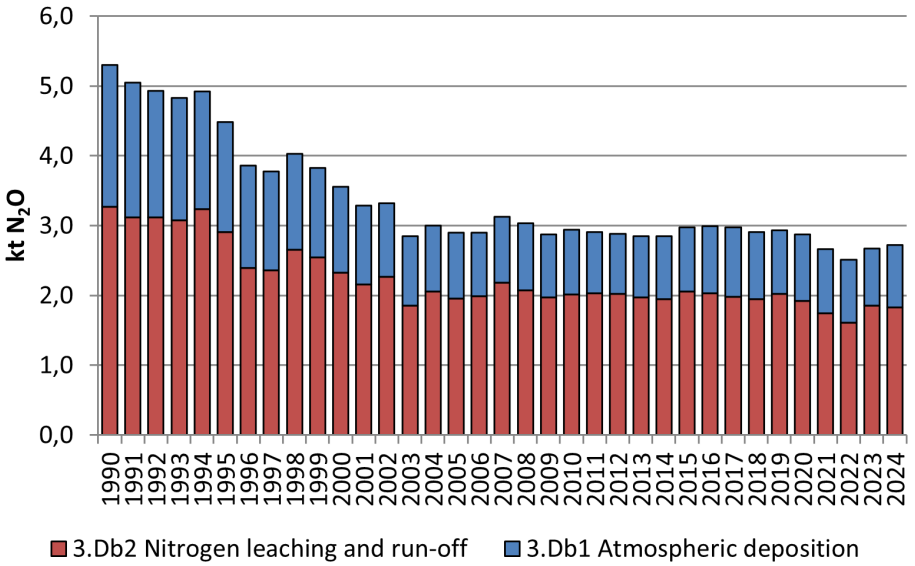


Figure 5.12 N_2O emissions from agricultural soils – indirect emissions 1990 – 2024.

5.8 Field burning of agricultural residues

5.8.1 Description

Field burning of agricultural residues in Denmark, has been prohibited since 1990, except in connection with production of grass seeds on fields with repeated production and in cases of wet or broken bales of straw. Field burning produces emissions of a wide variety of different pollutants of which only the greenhouse gases are covered in this report. For emission of air pollutants, see the Danish Informative Inventory Report (Nielsen et al., 2025).

5.8.2 Methodological issues

Equation for calculating emissions based on IPCC (2019) Volume 4, Chapter 2 Generic Methodologies Applicable to Multiple Land-use Categories:

$$E = BB \cdot \frac{EF}{1\,000\,000} \cdot FO$$

$$BB = CP \cdot FB \cdot FR_{DM}$$

Where:

E	= emission of compounds, kt
BB	= total burned biomass, t DM
CP	= crop production, t
FB	= fraction burned in fields
FR_{DM}	= dry matter fraction of residue
EF	= emission factor, g per kg DM
1 000 000	= conversion of units
FO	= fraction oxidized

5.8.3 Activity data

The amount of burnt straw from the grass seed production is estimated as 15 % of the total amount produced. The amount of burnt bales of broken or wet bales of straw is estimated as 0.1 % of total amount of straw. Both estimates are based on an expert judgement by SEGES (Feidenhans'l, 2009). The total amounts are based on data from Statistics Denmark.

5.8.4 Emission factor

Table 5.33 shows the emission factors used to estimate emissions of CH_4 and N_2O (Andreae, 2019).

Table 5.33 Factors for estimating emissions of CH_4 and N_2O, 2024.

		Crop production	Fraction burned in fields	Dry matter (DM) fraction of residue	Total Biomass burned	EF	Fraction oxidized	Emission
		t			t dm	g per kg DM		kt
CH_4	Mixed cereals	5 052 600	0.001	0.85	4 295	5.7	0.90	0.022
CH_4	Straw from seeds of grass	332 500	0.15	0.2	9 975	5.7	0.90	0.051
N_2O	Mixed cereals	5 052 600	0.001	0.85	4 295	0.09	0.90	0.0003
N_2O	Straw from seeds of grass	332 500	0.15	0.2	9 975	0.09	0.90	0.001
Total CO_2 eqv								2,36

5.8.5 Time series consistency

The emission of CH_4, N_2O, NO_x, CO, CO_2, SO_2 and NMVOC from field burning contributes with less than 1 % of the national emission.

5.9 CO_2 from liming

5.9.1 Description

The emission of CO_2 from liming in Denmark occurs during liming with limestone. The emission of CO_2 from liming contributes with 95 % of the CO_2 emission from the agricultural sector in 2024.

5.9.2 Methodological issues

A Tier 1 method as given in the 2019/2006 IPCC Guidelines is used.

5.9.3 Activity data

The amount of limestone used is based on the sales statistics. The amount used on the agricultural soils is collected by SEGES (2025). The amount of limestone used in private gardens is based on expert judgement (Andersen, 2004).

5.9.4 Emission factors

The emission factor is 0.44 kt CO_2 per kt limestone and is the same for all years 1990 to 2023. It is based on the molecular weight for $CaCO_3$ and CO_2.

$$EF = \frac{M_{CO_2}}{M_{CaCO_3}}$$

Where:

EF Emission factor for CO_2 from liming

M_i Molecular weight for *i* molecule

5.9.5 Time series consistency

The emission of CO_2 from liming has overall decreased by 69 % from 1990 to 2024. As shown in Figure 5.13, the main decrease is occurring from 1990 to 1997 and is due to a change in fertiliser practice with an increased use of manure as fertiliser and a decreased in use of inorganic N fertiliser. When ammonium nitrogen is used as fertiliser and a loss of nitrogen from the soil is occurring, it causes an acidification of the soil and use of liming could be necessary to even out pH in the soil (Knudsen, 2004).

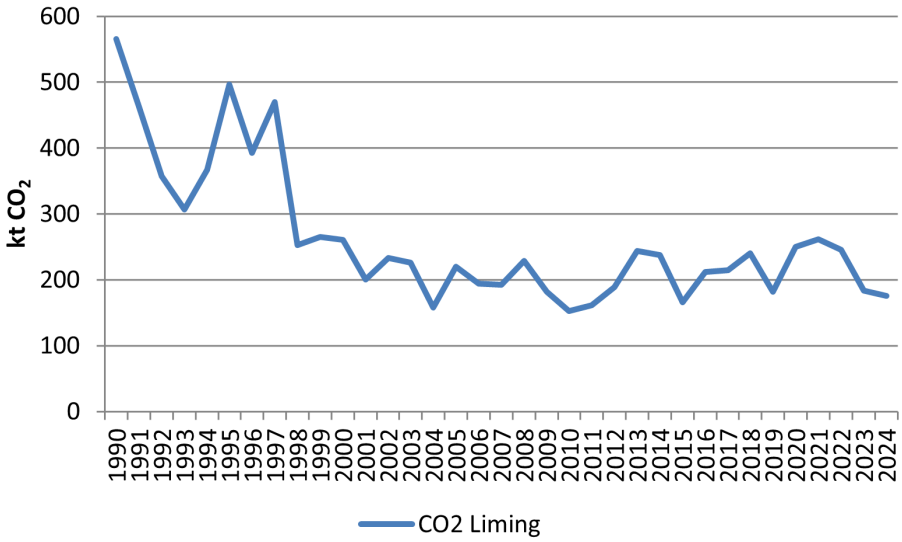


Figure 5.13 CO_2 emission from liming, 1990 to 2024.

5.10 CO_2 from urea

5.10.1 Description

Emission of CO_2 from use of urea contributes with 2 % of the CO_2 emission from the agricultural sector in 2024.

5.10.2 Methodological issues

A Tier 1 method as given in the 2019/2006 IPCC Guidelines is used.

5.10.3 Activity data

The amount of urea used on agricultural soils is based on sales estimates from Agency for Green Transition and Aquatic Environment (SGAV, 2025) and from the Danish fertiliser N accounts also controlled by SGAV.

5.10.4 Emission factors

The default emission factor of 0.20 kg C per kg urea given in the 2019/2006 IPCC Guidelines is used.

5.10.5 Time series consistency

Figure 5.14 shows the emission of CO_2 from use of urea. The emission has decreased with 92 % from 1990 to 2021, where the main decrease is occurring from 1990 to 2000. From 2003 to 2021, the emission is almost unaltered. In 2022, the use of urea has increased significantly, due to EU regulation of tax on urea, which has lowered the prize. In 2023 and 2024, the use of urea has decreased a bit. The emission has decreased by 70 % from 1990 to 2024.

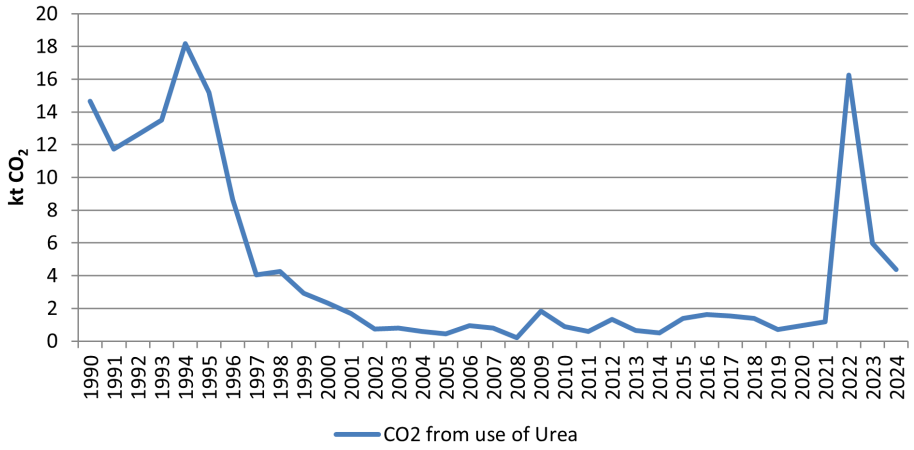


Figure 5.14 Emission of CO_2 from use of urea, 1990 to 2024.

5.11 CO_2 from other carbon-containing fertilisers

5.11.1 Description

In Denmark, other carbon-containing fertilisers is the use of calcium ammonium nitrate (CAN). The emission of CO_2 from CAN contributes with 2 % of the CO_2 emission from the agricultural sector in 2024.

5.11.2 Methodological issues

A Tier 1 method as given in the 2019/2006 IPCC Guidelines is used.

5.11.3 Activity data

The amount of CAN used on agricultural soils is based on sales estimates from Agency for Green Transition and Aquatic Environment (SGAV, 2025) and from the Danish fertiliser N accounts also controlled by SGAV.

5.11.4 Emission factors

The emission factor is 0.026 kg C per kg CAN and the same for all years 1990 to 2024. It is based on the molecular weight:

$$EF = \left(\frac{\text{kg } CaCO_3}{\text{kg CAN}} / 100\right) / M_{CaCO_3} \cdot M_C$$

$$\frac{\text{kg } CaCO_3}{\text{kg CAN}} = \left(100 - M_{NH_4NO_3}\right) / M_{CaMg(CO_3)_2} \cdot M_{CaCO_3} \cdot 2$$

Where:

EF Emission factor for CO_2 from CAN

M_i Molecular weight for *i* molecule

5.11.5 Time series consistency

Figure 5.15 shows the emission of CO_2 from use of CAN. The emission has decreased with 84 % from 1990 to 2024, but the main decrease is occurring from 1990 to 1999. From 2000 to 2020, the emission is almost unaltered except from 2015 where more CAN was used. From 2020 to 2024, the use of CAN has increased slightly, thus increasing the CO_2 emission.

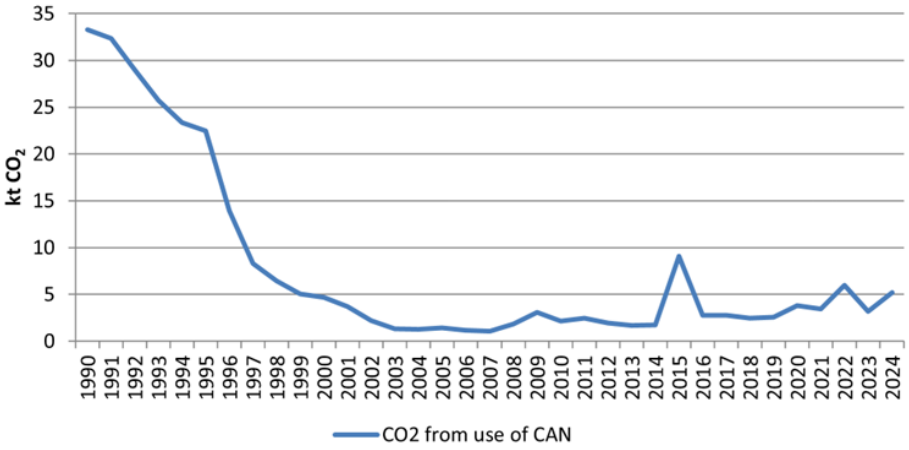


Figure 5.15 Emission of CO_2 from use of CAN, 1990 to 2024.

5.12 Uncertainties

Uncertainties are calculated using Approach 1.

5.12.1 Uncertainty values

The main part of the Danish emissions depends on the livestock production, and uncertainties, such as number of animals, feeding consumption, normative standards etc., are relatively low.

The number of animals is estimated by Statistics Denmark, and because all cattle, sheep and goats have their own ID-number (ear tags), it is possible to achieve a very low uncertainty level. The uncertainties for the most important livestock categories, e.g. for swine and cattle, are estimated to 1.3 % and 0.9 %, respectively (DSt, 2025b). The uncertainty is higher for less important animal groups, e.g. fur bearing animals (3.2 %), poultry, horses and sheep (10.4 %) (DSt, 2025b). The overall uncertainty for number of animals is estimated to 2 %.

As described in Chapter 5.2.4, the Danish Manure Normative Standards for animal excretions is based on data from SEGES and DCA, Aarhus University.

SEGES covers production data (milk yield, weaned piglets per litter, growth rate), feed intake, feed efficiency, and feed composition. The data represent more than 50 % of all dairy herds, and a higher proportion of all dairy cows. For slaughter calves, data represented about 60 % of the slaughtered animals. The swine values were based on 700 000 sows equivalent to 70 % of all sows, and the data from fattening pigs were based on 8.7 million pig equivalents to about 60 % of all pigs slaughtered in Denmark (Børsting, 2024). For poultry, 80-90 % of the production and approximately 100 % of the fur production was covered. With the very large proportion of the cattle, swine and poultry farms yielding data to the database, these data are considered to be very representative for Danish animal production. In the normative standards (Børsting & Hellwing, 2025), uncertainty values are indicated for emission measurements in barns and varies from 15 -25 %.

Data for hectares under cultivation is estimated by Statistics Denmark and the uncertainties are based on their estimates. For one of the most common crops, winter wheat, the uncertainty is 1.1 % estimated by Statistics Denmark (2025b). For a less common crop type such as spring wheat, the uncertainty is estimated to 5.8 %. The overall uncertainties for the total cultivated area are below 5 %.

For CH_4 emission from enteric fermentation, the uncertainty for activity data is the uncertainty for numbers of animals, and the uncertainty for the emission factor is based on IPCC 2019.

For CH_4 emission from manure management, the uncertainty for the activity data is the uncertainty for number of animals and the distribution of barn types. The uncertainty for distribution of barn types is estimated to be 25 %, as the barn types on farms are self-reported by farmers to the Agency for Green Transition and Aquatic Environment (SGAV). The uncertainty for the emission factor is based on uncertainty given in IPCC 2019.

For the N_2O emission uncertainties, the activity data uncertainty is based on the uncertainties for NH_3 emission due to the high correlation between the NH_3 and N_2O emission (Nielsen et al., 2025). Uncertainties related to the N_2O emission factor are based on the IPCC 2019. See Table 5.34 for uncertainty values for the agricultural sector.

For the CO_2 emission uncertainties, the activity data for other organic fertilisers and urea application is based on the uncertainties for the Fertiliser statistics. Activity data for liming are supplied by SEGES, and the uncertainty is estimated to be 10 %. Uncertainty for the emission factors are based on IPCC 2019.

Table 5.34 Uncertainties values for activity data and emission factors for CH_4, N_2O and CO_2.

CRT category	Emission factor	Uncertainties value for activity data, %	Uncertainties value for emission factor, %
3A Enteric Fermentation	CH_4	2	24
3B Manure Management			
	CH_4	25	25
	N_2O	26	100
3B5 Atmospheric Deposition	N_2O	36	21
3D Agricultural Soils			
3Da Direct soil emissions			
3Da1 Inorganic N fertiliser	N_2O	20	80
3Da2a Animal manure applied to soils	N_2O	26	80
3Da2b Sewage sludge applied to soils	N_2O	72	80
3Da2c Other organic fertiliser applied to soils	N_2O	26	80
3Da3 Urine and dung deposited by grazing animals	N_2O	10	250
3Da4 Crop Residues	N_2O	81	80
3Da5 Mineralization	N_2O	10	80
3Da6 Cultivation of organic soils		10	40
3Db Indirect soil emissions			
3Db1 Atmospheric deposition	N_2O	15	21
3Db2 Leaching	N_2O	35	100
3F Field Burning of Agricultural Residue			
	CH_4	25	50
	N_2O	25	50
3G Liming	CO_2	10	50
3H Urea application	CO_2	20	50
3I Other carbon-containing fertilisers	CO_2	20	50

5.12.2 Result of the uncertainty calculation

Table 5.35 shows the result of Approach 1 uncertainty calculation for 2024. The overall uncertainty calculation for the agricultural sector based on Approach 1 is estimated to ±18 %.

The lowest uncertainties are seen for CH_4 emission from enteric fermentation and manure management and the highest for emission form urine and dung deposited by grazing animals.

Table 5.35 Uncertainty calculation, 2024.

Uncertainty		Emission, kt CO_2 eqv.	Uncertainty, % Lower and upper (±)
3 Agriculture total	CH_4, N_2O and CO_2	11 353	18
3A Enteric Fermentation	CH_4	3 876	24
3B Manure Management	CH_4 and N_2O	3 572	32
	CH_4	3 071	25
	N_2O	382	26
3B5 Atmospheric deposition	N_2O	119	36
3D Agricultural Soils	N_2O	3 717	39
3Da Direct soil emissions	N_2O	2 995	45
3Da1 Inorganic N fertiliser	N_2O	971	82
3Da2a Animal manure applied to soils	N_2O	751	84
3Da2b Sewage sludge applied to soils	N_2O	28	108
3Da2c Other organic fertiliser applied to soils	N_2O	18	84
3Da3 Urine and dung deposited by grazing animals	N_2O	25	250
3Da4 Crop Residues	N_2O	762	114
3Da5 Mineralization	N_2O	89	94
3Da6 Cultivation of organic soils	N_2O	350	64
3Db Indirect soil emissions	N_2O	722	72
3Db1 Atmospheric deposition	N_2O	237	26
3Db2 Leaching	N_2O	485	106
3F Field Burning of Agricultural Residues	CH_4 and N_2O	2	94
	CH_4	2	108
	N_2O	0.3	56
3G Liming	CO_2	175	51
3H Urea application	CO_2	4	54
3I Other carbon-containing fertilisers	CO_2	5	54

5.13 Quality assurance and quality control (QA/QC)

5.13.1 Verification

Enteric fermentation

Tier 2/Country Specific compared to IPCC Tier 2 method

A comparison between the IPCC Tier 2 methodology and Denmark's Tier 2/Country Specific (CS) calculation method for enteric fermentation is made. In the IPCC Guidelines, default values are given for dairy cattle and non-dairy cattle, therefore a comparison is made for these groups.

Calculations of IEFs are made by IPCC Tier 2, with both default and national values for Y_m, and Denmark's Tier 2/CS method. The Danish method results in a 15 % and 8 % higher IEF compared to the IPCC Tier 2 method for dairy and non-dairy cattle, respectively (Table 5.36).

Table 5.36 IEFs for enteric fermentation calculated by different methods, 2024.

kg CH_4 per animal per year	Tier 2 (IPCC Y_m)	Tier 2 (DK Y_m)	Tier 2/CS
Dairy cattle	143.9	145.8	165.2
Non-dairy cattle	36.9	36.9	39.9

The three different Tier 2 calculations for non-dairy cattle all show an IEF between 36.9-39.9 kg per head per year, which indicates that the Tier 2/CS used in the Danish inventory is reasonable. However, these values are lower compared to the Tier 1 default value at 52 kg per head per year given in the IPCC

2019, Table 10.11, which can be explained by a lower animal weight and lower feed intake.

The higher value for the IEF for dairy cattle is mainly due to higher GE in Danish method (Table 5.37). The Danish values for feed consumption are based on the Danish normative standards, which are based on actual efficacy feeding controls or actual feeding plans at farm level. The national Y_m has been lowered in 2018, 2020 and 2021 due to changes in feeding composition and fodder practice for Danish dairy cattle. More info on GE calculations and Y_m is included in Chapter 5.3.2.

Table 5.37 GE for dairy cattle calculated by different methods, 2024.

MJ per animal per day	Tier 2 (IPCC Y_m)	Tier 2/CS
Dairy cattle	385.3	435.2

Manure management

Nitrogen excretion rates compared to the IPCC defaults

For non-dairy cattle, horses, poultry and mink (no bearing on mink in 2021 and 2022) nitrogen excretion rates given by the 2019 IPCC Guidelines and the Danish nitrogen excretion rates are at the same level. For dairy cattle, Denmark has a higher nitrogen excretion rate than given in the 2019 IPCC Guidelines. This is due to a high feed consumption to give high milk production per cow at Danish dairy cattle. For sows, the nitrogen excretion rates given by the 2019 IPCC Guidelines and the Danish nitrogen excretion rates are at the same level. However, the Danish nitrogen excretion rate is lower than the default given in the 2019 IPCC Guidelines for fattening pigs and this is due to the high feed efficiency in Danish swine and the high share of weaners.

The animal weights are not used directly for estimating emissions because excretion rates are given in the Danish normative standards per animal (Børsting & Hellwing, 2025). The weights for animals given in the CRT Tables are mainly for the most dominating subcategory.

Table 5.38 Nitrogen excretion rates from the 2019 IPCC Guidelines and for Denmark, 2024.

IPCC	kg N per 1000 kg animal per day	Weight kg (DK)	kg N per animal per year	Denmark	kg N per animal per year
Dairy cattle	0.5	580	105.9	Dairy cattle	158.1
Other cattle	0.42	320[1]	49.1	Non-dairy cattle	39.9
Swine - market	0.76	115[2]	31.9	Swine – weighted FP and weaners	4.9
(FP – fattening pigs)				Swine - FP	8.4
				Swine - weaners	2.0
Swine - breeding	0.38	140	19.4	Swine - sows	21.7
Sheep	0.36	70[3]	9.2	Sheep – weighted	6.6
				Sheep - mother	12.8
				Sheep - lambs	2.5
Goats	0.46	60[4]	10.1	Goats	16.7
Horses	0.26	600[5]	56.9		
- average weight		520[5]	49.3	Horses – weighted	43.8
Hens	0.87	2	0.6	Hens	0.9
Pullets	0.58	1.4	0.3	Pullets	0.1
Broilers	1.14	2	0.8	Broilers	0.4
Turkeys	0.74	14	3.8	Turkeys	2.6
Ducks	0.83	3.7	1.1	Ducks	1.0
Mink			4.59	Mink	6.0
Fox			12.09		

[1] Weight of heifers.

[2] Weight of fattening pigs. Weaners weigh 6.4-31 kg (Børsting et al, 2021, Børsting & Hellwing, 2025).

[3] Weight of mother sheep including 1.5 lambs (Børsting et al, 2021, Børsting & Hellwing, 2025).

[4] Weight of mother goat including 1.5 kid (Børsting et al, 2021, Børsting & Hellwing, 2025).

[5] 600 kg is the weight of the most dominating group of horses, while 504 kg are the average weight for all horses (Børsting et al., 2021 (definition of weight classes), Børsting & Hellwing, 2025, Holm, 2025 (distribution between weight classes).

Estimation of nitrogen excretion compared to the Danish fertiliser N account

Annually, the farmers register the amount of nitrogen (N) in animal manure applied to soil to the Danish fertiliser N accounts controlled by Agency for Green Transition and Aquatic Environment (SGAV). Data from the Danish fertiliser N account are used in the National Monitoring program of the Water Environment and Nature (NOVANA) (Thorsen et al., 2025) and a comparison with N excretion estimated in the national emission inventory is provided below – see Figure 5.16.

The Danish fertiliser N account and the emission inventory basically use the same standards for the livestock N-excretion; the "Danish Manure Normative Standards". The differences between the two calculations are that the farmer reports both number of produced animals and the total amount of N applied to the soil to the Danish fertiliser N account, while the emissions inventory use data for livestock production based on Statistics Denmark and the CHR (Central Husbandry Register), which is the central register of farms and animals managed by Danish Agricultural and Fisheries Agency. The same level of total amount of N applied to soils is expected, and therefore a comparison contributes to verifying whether the calculated N application from manure is reliable.

The comparison shows that the trend for the total N applied follow the same pattern for both estimations between 2003 – 2021 and 2024. Same trend is expected for years before 2003, but data for comparison is not available. The N

application estimated in the emission inventory is slightly higher with a difference between 1-8 %. The lower N registered in the Danish fertiliser N accounts are expected for two reasons: Firstly, the Danish fertiliser N accounts do not include small farms, which typically produce horses, sheep and goats, deer, pheasants and ostriches. Secondly, the Danish fertiliser N accounts make it possible for the farmers to correct the N excretion, if they can prove a lower N-excretion than given in the Danish Manure Normative Standards.

In 2022 and 2023, are the N application estimated in the emission inventory slightly lower than the Danish fertiliser N accounts, 4-6 %. This is probably due to difference in reporting period where the inventory (data from Statistics Denmark) is for a calendar year and the fertiliser accounts are for fertiliser year (August to July). This is probably due to the decrease in the swine production from 2021-2023, which in the inventory and the fertiliser account are reflected in two different time periods. The inventory follows a calendar year (data from Statistics Denmark), while the fertiliser accounts follow a fertiliser year (August to July).

The difference between the two data set is lower than 8 % (most years under 5 %) and it is therefore concluded that calculation of N in animal manure applied to soil seems reliable.

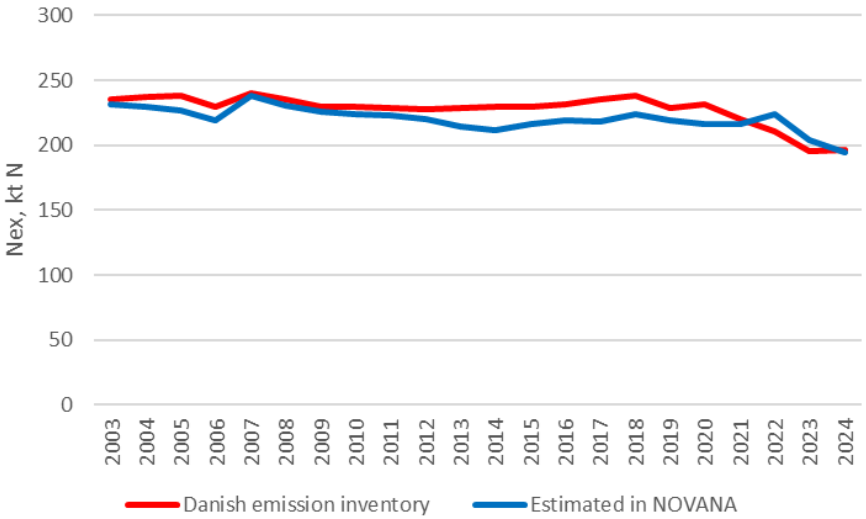


Figure 5.16 Comparison of nitrogen excretion estimated by DCE and in NOVANA.

Distribution of animals on barn types

Table 5.39 shows the distribution of animals on different manure management systems given in IPCC 2019 and the Danish national distribution. The main part of Danish dairy cattle is housed in systems with liquid/slurry manure and digester whereas the distribution given by IPCC, for a great part, is housed in systems with solid manure. IPCC has a great part of non-dairy cattle on systems with solid manure, whereas a great part of non-dairy cattle in the Denmark is in systems with deep bedding. Deep bedding is in IPCC 2019 Table 10A.6 categorised as the manure management system other (in CRT Deep bedding). For swine, the main part of the animals in Denmark is housed in systems with liquid/slurry, as it is also the case in the IPCC distribution, but in IPCC a larger part is housed in systems with pit > 1 month which is not commonly found in Denmark.

Table 5.39 Distribution of animals on manure management systems IPCC 2019 vs. national.

	IPCC 2019			DK 2024		
	Dairy cattle	Other cattle	Swine	Dairy cattle	Non-dairy cattle	Swine
Lagoon	0	0	6	0	0	0
Liquid/slurry	43	22	51	45.6	41.0	70.2
Solid storage	29	26	14	0.4	0.2	0.1
Drylot	0	0	0	0	0	0
Pasture, range and paddock	26	48	0	5.5	16.5	0.1
Daily spread	2	4	1	0	0	0
Digester	0	0	0	38.7	0	28.4
Burned for fuel	0	0	-	0	0	0
Other	0	0	-	9.8	42.2	1.2
Pit < 1 month	-	-	2	0	0	0
Pit > 1 month	-	-	26	0	0	0

Calculation of VS based on GE and DM

Figures 5.17, 5.18 and 5.19 show a comparison of the calculation of VS based on gross energy (GE) and manure. In the Danish inventory, the calculation of VS is based on manure. For dairy cattle, the two calculations follow the same trend, but the VS based on manure are higher than the one based on GE. This is mainly due to the inclusion of bedding.

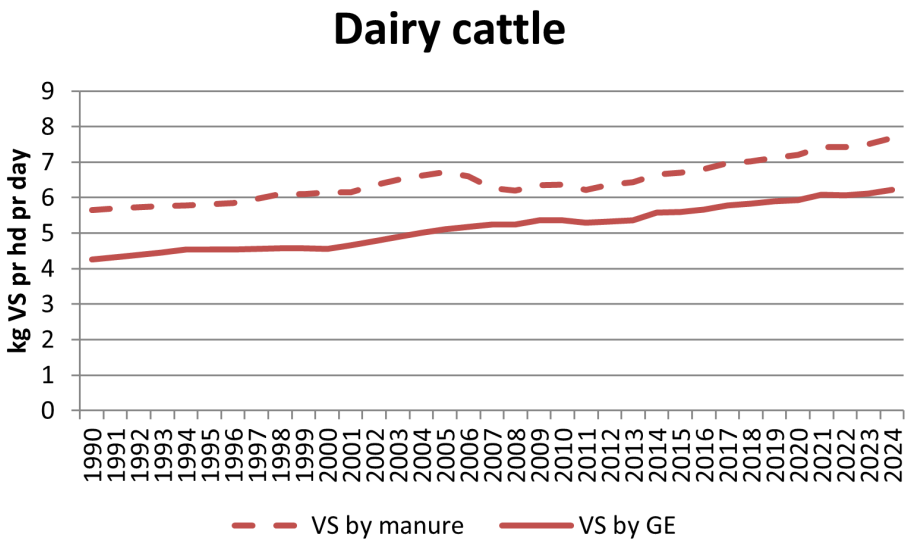


Figure 5.17 VS for dairy cattle based on GE and on manure.

For all non-dairy cattle, VS based on manure are higher than the one based on GE, and this is mainly due to the inclusion of bedding. For bulls, VS based on manure increase in 2001-2011, due to an increased share of animals in barns with deep bedding. From 2012 to 2013, the VS for bulls decrease due to a reduction of bedding per animal per day in the normative values. VS based on manure for suckling cattle changes due to both an increased amount of manure per animal and a decrease in dry matter (DM) in the manure for animals on some barn types. The decrease from 2006 to 2007 is due to a separation of suckling cattle in three weight classes with different amount of bedding per animal per day.

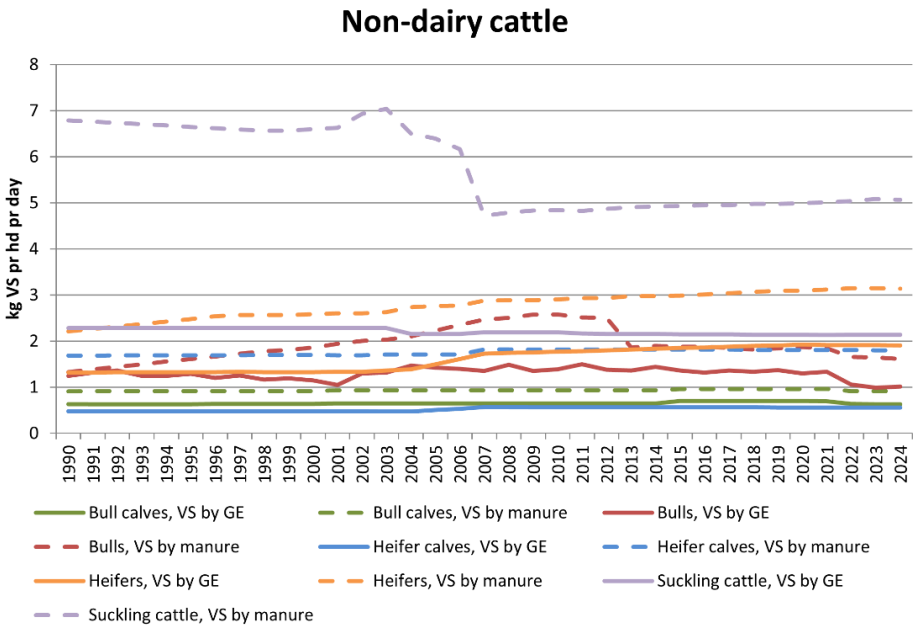


Figure 5.18 VS for non-dairy cattle based on GE and manure.

VS based on GE are higher than VS based on manure for weaners and fattening pigs. This is mainly due to high feed efficiency in Danish swine. For sows, the decrease in VS based on manure in 2004-2007 is due to a decrease in the share of animals in barns with bedding.

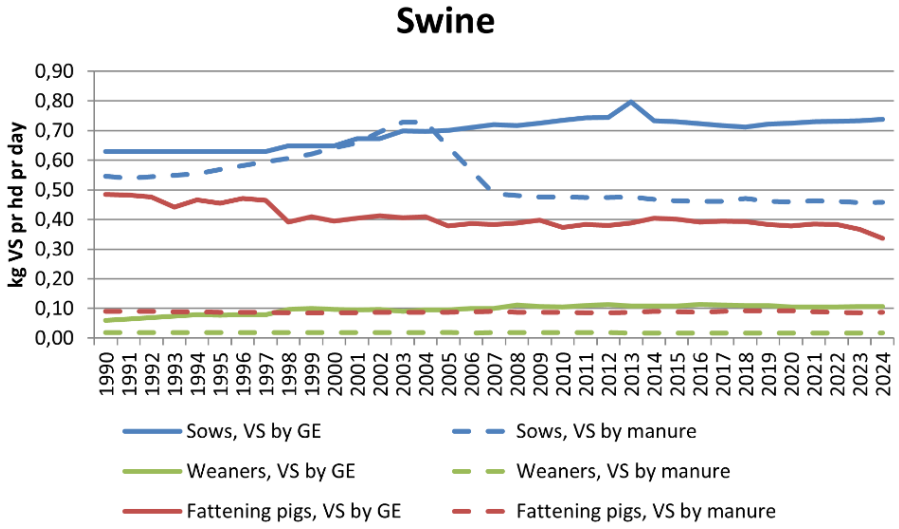


Figure 5.19 VS for swine based on GE and manure.

5.13.2 QA/QC plan

A first step of development and implementation of a general QA/QC plan for all sectors started in 2004 and is described in a published manual (Sørensen et al., 2005). The manual describes the concepts of quality work and how to handle quality management by using Critical Control Points and a list of Point of Measurements (Nielsen et al., 2013). For more detailed information of the structure in the general QA/QC plan, please refer to Chapter 1.6 for QA/QC.

A complete list of Points of Measures (PM) is given in Table 1.2. PM related to the agricultural inventory is listed below in Chapter 5.13.3 and are primarily related to data storage and data processing level 1. For PM not mentioned below, please refer to Chapter 1.6.

The QA/QC work specific for the agricultural sector is under continuous improvement. The overall framework regarding a QA/QC plan for agriculture consists of six stages, where each stage focuses on quality assurance and quality check in different parts of the inventory process. Implementation of stages I-III in the preparatory phases of the inventory assembly has reduced the number of errors in the CRT, and in this way meet the ERT recommendations. A more detailed set up for stage I, II and III are developed – refer to Annex 3D Table 3D-19.

The QA/QC procedure is divided in six stages as listed below:

Table 5.40 Stages of QA/QC procedure.

Stage I	**Check of input data** - check of data input in IDA is consistent with data from external data suppliers, i.e. that data has been entered correctly.
Stage II	**Check of IDA data – overall** - check of recalculations for total emissions compared with the latest submission - check of total emissions for CO_2 eqv. and each compound
Stage III	**Check of IDA data – specific** - check of annual changes of activity data, emission factors, IEF and other important variables such as GE, Nex, barn system distribution, grazing days
Stage IV	**Check calculations by comparing with estimates from other institutions** - comparing amount of N in manure applied to soil in inventory and fertiliser accounts
Stage V	**Check of data registered in CRT** - compare data in CRT with data from IDA
Stage VI	**Check of the inventory in general (external review)** - check that data is used correctly - check the methodology and the calculations

Stage I: Check of input data

At stage I, it is checked that all input data in IDA are consistent with data from the external data suppliers. Data from the Statistics Denmark must be checked for the livestock production, slaughter data for poultry and pigs, check of land use and crop yield. Data input from the DCA must be checked for feed intake, N-excretion, manure production, dry matter content and grazing days. Data from Agency for Green Transition and Aquatic Environment: distribution of barn systems and the use of nitrogen in inorganic N fertiliser.

Stage II: Check of IDA data - overall

Stage II includes check of the overall calculations in IDA. The first step is to compare the inventory with the last reported emission inventory, because in the case where an error covers the whole time series, it can be difficult to identify this error by checking the changes in inter-annual values. If the comparison shows recalculations, these must then be explained.

The second step in stage II is a check of total emissions of CH_4, N_2O, NMVOC, NOx and the other compounds related to the field burning of agricultural residues. For each compound, checks of trends across the entire reported time series, as well as inter-annual changes are performed. Significant jumps or

dips from one year to another could indicate an error in the data input or calculations, and an explanation must therefore be provided as part of the QA/QC check.

Stage III: Check of IDA data - specific

At stage III, a check of specific variables in IDA is performed for both inter-annual changes and trends for the entire time series. Variables include activity data, emission factors, IEFs and other important key variables such as feed intake, GE, Nex and barn system distribution (refer to Annex 3D Table 3D-19). Significant jumps or dips from one year to another could indicate an error in the data input or calculations, and an explanation must therefore be provided as part of the QA/QC check.

Stage IV: Check by comparing calculation with estimates from other institutions

The purpose of stage IV is to verify the calculations in IDA, as far as external data estimations are available.

Currently, only a limited number of external data sources and estimates are available, as most available data is already included in the inventory. External data sources are continually sought after and compared with the inventory estimates when available. For now, the following external estimates have been included in the QA/QC checks:

- **N in manure applied to soils:** The estimation of N excreted (N ex storage) calculated in IDA, is compared to the fertiliser N accounts controlled by Agency for Green Transition and Aquatic Environment. Farmers with more than 10 animal units is registered and have to keep accounts of the N content in manure, received manure or other organic fertiliser. When comparing the calculated Nex with the N fertiliser accounts, significant discrepancies in trends has to be explained as part of the QA/QC check.

Stage V: Check of data registered in CRT

In Stage V, it is ensured that the calculated emissions are correctly reported in the CRT. For these checks, the primary focus is on the last reported year and the base year (1990). For these years, the CRT is compared with IDA for all activity data, emissions and IEFs. Furthermore, CRT sum emissions are checked with sum emissions in IDA. Any errors in data reporting are checked to discover the reason behind the error.

Stage VI: Check of the inventory in general

A detailed description of the methodology used to calculate the Danish agricultural emissions is regularly published as a sectorial report for agriculture (Mikkelsen et al., 2006, Mikkelsen et al., 2011, Mikkelsen et al., 2014, Albrektsen et al., 2017, Albrektsen et al., 2021 and Albrektsen & Mikkelsen, 2026). All reports have been reviewed by experts not involved with the preparation of the emission inventory. All sections of the 2026 report were reviewed by Tommy Dalgaard, Aarhus University, Department of Agroecology - Agricultural Systems and Sustainability.

General checks of the inventory include considerations of which data input is used, how they are used in the calculations, whether more accurate data are available or if better data can be procured. The review of the sectorial report addresses these issues and is a most valuable part of the QA of the agricultural sector.

5.13.3 QA/QC plan expressed in Critical Control Points and Point of Measurements

Data storage level 1

Data Storage level 1	3. Completeness	DS.1.3.1	Documentation showing that all possible national data sources are included by setting down the reasoning behind the selection of datasets.

The following external data are in used in the agricultural sector, in more details see Table 5.3:

- Data from the annual agricultural census made by Statistics Denmark.
- DCA - Danish Centre for Food and Agriculture, Aarhus University
- Danish Agricultural and Fisheries Agency (LFST)
- Agency for Green Transition and Aquatic Environment (SGAV)
- SEGES Innovation
- The Danish Energy Agency (DEA)
- Danish Environmental Protection Agency (DEPA)

The emission factors come from various sources:

- IPCC guidelines.
- DCA, Aarhus University: NH_3 emission, CH_4 emission from enteric fermentation and manure management.

Statistics Denmark

The agricultural census made by Statistics Denmark is the main supply of basic agricultural data. In Denmark, all cattle, sheep and goats have to be registered individually and hence the uncertainty in the data is negligible. For all other animal types, farms having more than 10 animal units are registered.

DCA

The DCA is responsible for the delivery of N-excretion data for all animal and barn types in the Danish Manure Normative System (see section 5.2.4). Data on feeding consumption on commercial farms are collected annually by SEGES from on-farm efficacy controls. Farm data from more than 50 % of all dairy herds, 60-70 % of swine farms, and 90-100 % of all poultry and mink are used to calculate average N-excretion from different animal and barn types. Due to the high proportion of farms supplying data for the data set, N-excretion is seen as a very good estimate for average N-excretion at the Danish livestock production.

Danish Agricultural and Fisheries Agency

Only farms larger than five hectares are included in the annual census from Statistics Denmark. Goats and sheep are mostly found at smaller farms, which mean that the number of animals given in the Agricultural Statistics is not representative, and underestimates the actual animal population. Therefore, the number of sheep and goats is based on the Central Husbandry Register (CHR), which is the central register of farms and animals, managed by Danish Agricultural and Fisheries Agency. From 2010, the annual census includes farms with more than 20 goats and sheep, but the CHR is considered as more reliable because the register includes all animals regardless of farm size.

The number of deer and ostriches is also based on CHR because these are not included in the Agricultural Statistics published by Statistics Denmark.

Agency for Green Transition and Aquatic Environment
All farmers are obligated to do N-fertiliser accounting on a farm and field level based on the Danish normative standards provided by DCA. Data at farm level is reported annually to Agency for Green Transition and Aquatic Environment and include quantities of inorganic N fertilisers applied to agricultural soils.

Suppliers of inorganic N fertilisers are required to report all N sales to commercial farmers to Agency for Green Transition and Aquatic Environment, which is registered and published in a sales statistic annually. The N-fertiliser accounts are compared with the sales statistics provided to validate the reported use of inorganic fertilisers, as described in section 5.6.3.

From 2005, Agency for Green Transition and Aquatic Environment provide data for distribution of barn type based on registration from farmers to the Danish fertiliser N accounts.

SEGES Innovation
SEGES Innovation is the central office for all Danish agricultural advisory services. SEGES carries out a considerable amount of research itself, as well as collecting efficacy reports from the Danish farmers for dairy production, meat production, pig production, etc., to optimise productivity in Danish agriculture. From SEGES data on barn type until 2004, grazing situation and information on application of manure is received.

The Danish Energy Agency
The amount of slurry treated in biogas plants is received from the Danish Energy Agency.

Danish Environmental Protection Agency
Information on the sludge from wastewater treatment and the manufacturing industry and the amount applied on agricultural soil is obtained from the Danish Environmental Protection Agency.

Data Storage level 1	1. Accuracy	DS.1.1.1	General level of uncertainty for every dataset including the reasoning for the specific values

Please refer to Chapter 5.12.

Data Storage level 1	1. Accuracy	DS.1.1.2	Quantification of the uncertainty level of every single data value including the reasoning for the specific values.

Please refer to Chapter 5.12 and Table 5.34.

Data Storage level 1	1. Comparability	DS.1.2.1	Comparability of the data values with similar data from other countries, which are comparable with Denmark, and evaluation of discrepancy.

The Danish N-excretion levels are generally lower than IPCC default values. This is due to the highly skilled, professional and trained farmers in Denmark, with access to a highly competent advisory system.

The feed consumption per animal is in line with similar data from Sweden, although they are not quite comparable because Denmark is using feeding units (FE) which cannot easily be converted to energy content. Earlier, one feeding unit was defined as one kg of barley. Today, the calculations are more complicated and depend on animal type.

Data Storage level 1	4. Consistency	DS.1.4.1	The origin of external data has to be preserved whenever possible without explicit arguments (referring to other PMs).

External data received are stored in the original format in the quality management database system.

Data Storage level 1	6. Robustness	DS.1.6.1	Explicit agreements between the external institution holding the data and DCE about the conditions of delivery.

DCE has established formal data agreements with all institutes and organisations, which deliver data, to assure that the necessary data is available to prepare the inventory on time.

Data Storage level 1	6. Robustness	DS.1.6.2	At least two employees must have a detailed insight into the gathering of every external data set.

Please refer to Chapter 1.6.

Data Storage level 1	7. Transparency	DS.1.7.1	Summary of each dataset including the reasoning for selecting the specific dataset.

Please refer to DS 1.3.1.

Data Storage level 1	7. Transparency	DS.1.7.2	The archiving of data sets needs to be easily accessible for any person in the emission inventory.

Please refer to Chapter 1.6.

Data Storage level 1	7. Transparency	DS.1.7.3	References for citation for any external data set have to be available for any single value in any dataset.

External data sets are archived in the quality management database system and referenced in the literature list.

Data Storage level 1	7. Transparency	DS.1.7.4	Listing of external contacts for every dataset.

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Data processing level 1

Data Processing level 1	1. Accuracy	DP.1.1.1	Uncertainty assessment for every data source as input to Data Storage level 2 in relation to type of variability. (Distribution as: normal, log normal or other type of variability).

The Approach 1 methodology is used to calculate the uncertainties for the agricultural sector. The uncertainties are based on a combination of IPCC guidelines and expert judgement (Olesen et al., 2001, Poulsen et al., 2001) and a normal distribution is assumed. Refer to Chapter 5.12.

Data Processing level 1	1. Accuracy	DP.1.1.2	Uncertainty assessment for every data source as input to Data Storage level 2 in relation to scale of variability (size of variation intervals).

Please refer to DP 1.1.1.

Data Processing level 1	1. Accuracy	DP.1.1.3	Evaluation of the methodological approach using international guidelines.

Denmark has worked out a report with a more detailed description of the methodological inventory approach in Mikkelsen et al. (2006), Mikkelsen et al. (2011), Mikkelsen et al. (2014), Albrektsen et al. (2017), Albrektsen et al. (2021) and an updated version in Albrektsen & Mikkelsen (2026). The first report has been reviewed by the Statistics Sweden, who is responsible for the Swedish agricultural inventory; the second was reviewed of qualified persons with comprehensive agricultural knowledge; Nicholas J. Hutchings from the DCA, Aarhus University and Johnny M. Andersen from the Faculty of Life Sciences, University of Copenhagen. The third was reviewed by the Environmental Protection Agency. The fourth was reviewed by Peter Lund, from Department of Animal Science, Aarhus University and the fifth was reviewed by Anders Peter Adamsen, Aarhus University, DCA – National Centre for Food and Agriculture. None of the reviewers are involved in the preparation of the annual inventory.

Furthermore, data sources and calculation methodology developments are continuously discussed in cooperation with specialists and researchers in different institutes and research sections. Consequently, both the data and methods are evaluated continually according to the latest knowledge and information.

Data Processing level 1	1. Accuracy	DP.1.1.4	Verification of calculation results using guideline values

The methodological approach is consistent with the IPCC 2006 Guidelines and IPCC 2019 Refinement. See Chapter 5.13.1.

Data Processing level 1	2. Comparability	DP.1.2.1	The inventory calculation has to follow the international guidelines suggested by UNFCCC and IPCC.

The methodological approach is consistent with the IPCC 2006 Guidelines and IPCC 2019 Refinement.

Data Processing level 1	3. Completeness	DP.1.3.1	Assessment of the most important quantitative knowledge, which is lacking.

Regarding the reduction potential for biogas treated slurry, more information and investigation would be preferred. There is on-going work to increase the accuracy of this emission source.

Several technologies for reducing emissions from manure management are known, of which the effect of slurry cooling and acidification on indirect N_2O emissions are included in the inventory. These technologies, as well as several others, also decrease CH_4 emissions. However, there is not yet sufficient documentation for the CH_4 reduction effect to include the effects of any technologies in the inventory.

A large part of the non-dairy cattle in Denmark is held in manure management systems with deep bedding, and this fraction is expected to increase due to the suitability of this manure type in biogas production. However, the MCF in the IPCC guidelines differs significantly between deep bedding stored less than one month and more than one month. The majority of the deep bedding for non-dairy cattle are stored for more than one month, and a national MCF for the relevant store times for Danish deep bedding systems would therefore improve the CH_4 emission estimates from manure management in deep bedding barn systems.

Data Processing level 1	3. Completeness	DP.1.3.2	Assessment of the most important missing accessibility to critical data sources

All known major sources are included in the inventory. In Denmark, only very few data are restricted. Accessibility is not a key issue; it is more lack of data.

Data Processing level 1	4. Consistency	DP.1.4.1	In order to keep consistency at a high level, an explicit description of the activities needs to accompany any change in the calculation procedure

The calculation procedure is consistent for all years. When calculations are updated, the entire time series is recalculated.

Data Processing level 1	4. Consistency	DP.1.4.2	Identification of parameters (e.g. activity data, constants) that are common to multiple source categories and confirmation that there is consistency in the values used for these parameters in the emission calculations

The structure of the model ensures that activity data and parameters are only stored once, and all emission calculations are performed on the same underlying datasets.

Data Processing level 1	5. Correctness	DP.1.5.1	Show at least once, by independent calculation, the correctness of every data manipulation.

During the development of the model, thorough checks have been made by all persons involved in preparation of the agricultural section. The calculations performed in the model are in large parts unchanged between years. When calculations are updated, or new calculations included, all changes are checked thoroughly by several persons.

Data Processing level 1	5. Correctness	DP.1.5.2	Verification of calculation results using time series.

Time series for activity data, emission factors and national emission are performed to check consistency in the methodology, to avoid errors, to identify and explain considerable year-to-year variations.

Data Processing level 1	5. Correctness	DP.1.5.3	Verification of calculation results using other measures.

A comparison between IPCC Tier 2 method for enteric fermentation and Denmark's Tier 2/CS is made, see Chapter 5.13.1.

Data Processing level 1	5. Correctness	DP.1.5.4	Show one-to-one correctness between external data sources and the databases at Data Storage level 2

Quality control of external data sources takes place in QAQC stage I.

Data Processing level 1	6. Robustness	DP.1.6.1	Any calculation must be anchored to two responsible persons that can replace each other in the technical issue of performing the calculations.

Please refer to Chapter 1.6.

Data Processing level 1	7. Transparency	DP.1.7.1	The calculation principle and equations used must be described.

All calculation principles are described in the NID and the documentation report (Albrektsen & Mikkelsen, 2026).

Data Processing level 1	7. Transparency	DP.1.7.2	The theoretical reasoning for all methods must be described.

All theoretical reasoning is described in the NID and the documentation report (Albrektsen & Mikkelsen, 2026).

Data Processing level 1	7. Transparency	DP.1.7.3	Explicit listing of assumptions behind methods.

All theoretical reasoning is described in the NID and the documentation report (Albrektsen & Mikkelsen, 2026).

Data Processing level 1	7. Transparency	DP.1.7.4	Clear reference to dataset at Data Storage level 1.

In the database key ids is used to identify the unique data. The data on DS level 1 is linked to the key id used in the database so a clear reference from DS level 1 to higher levels of both DP and DS is secured.

Data Processing level 1	7. Transparency	DP.1.7.5	A manual log to collect information about recalculations.

Changes compared with the last emissions report are described in the NID and the national emission changes is given in a table under the section, "Recalculation". The text describes whether the change is caused by changes in the dataset or changes in the methodology used. Furthermore, a log table is filled in when data are updated or adjusted continuously.

Data storage and processing level 2

For point of measurements not mentioned below, please refer to Chapter 1.6.

Data Storage level 2	5. Correctness	DS.2.5.1	Documentation of a correct connection between all data types at level 2 to data at level 1.

Correct entry of external data in the model is ensured by the processes described in stage I-III. Please refer to section 5.13.2.

Data Processing level 2	5. Correctness	DS.2.5.2	Check if a correct data import to level 2 has been made.

Correctness of imported data is ensured by the processes described in stages II-III. Please refer to section 5.13.2.

5.14 Recalculations

Below an overview of improvements and recalculations implemented since the 2025 submission.

A range of changes in calculation of agricultural emissions 1990-2023 has taken place. The recalculation has contributed to a decrease in the total agricultural emissions for the years 1990-2022 of 0.7-1.6 % and a n increase in 2023 of 0.1 % given in CO_2 equivalent (Table 5.41).

Table 5.41 Changes in GHG emission in the agricultural sector compared with the CRT reported last year.

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2020	2021	2022	2023
Previous inventory										
3.A Ent. Ferm., kt CH_4	159.1	157.4	144.1	138.3	144.6	146.6	147.7	149.6	146.4	141.9
3.B Man. Man., kt CH_4	108.0	127.2	140.8	153.3	145.9	141.8	138.8	138.3	130.7	113.0
3.B Man. Man., kt N_2O	3.5	3.4	3.5	3.5	2.9	2.7	2.5	2.3	2.1	1.9
3.D Agri. Soils, kt N_2O	21.1	18.3	16.3	14.9	14.7	14.8	15.2	14.0	14.0	12.7
3.Da1 Inorganic N fertilizer	6.3	5.0	4.0	3.2	3.2	3.3	4.0	3.6	3.8	3.1
3.Da2a Animal manure	3.3	3.1	3.1	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.4	3.2	3.0	2.8
3.Da2b Sewage sludge	0.05	0.07	0.06	0.04	0.06	0.06	0.09	0.08	0.07	0.08
3.Da2c Other organic	0.02	0.07	0.08	0.04	0.05	0.07	0.09	0.09	0.10	0.09
3.Da3 Grazing animals	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
3.Da4 Crop residues	2.5	2.3	2.5	2.6	2.7	3.0	3.0	2.8	3.0	2.4
3.Da5 Mineralization	0.7	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.3
3.Da6 Organic soils	2.7	2.6	2.5	2.4	2.2	1.8	1.4	1.3	1.2	1.2
3.Db1 Atmo. Depo.	2.0	1.6	1.2	0.9	0.9	0.9	1.0	0.9	0.9	0.8
3.Db2 Nitrogen leaching	3.3	3.0	2.4	2.0	2.0	2.1	2.0	1.8	1.6	1.9
3.F Field Burning, kt CH_4	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
3.F Field Burning, kt N_2O	0.001	0.001	0.001	0.001	0.001	0.001	0.002	0.002	0.002	0.001
3.G Liming, kt CO_2	565.5	496.0	260.6	219.7	152.8	165.6	249.6	261.9	245.6	183.2
3.H-I Urea and CAN, kt CO_2	48.0	37.6	7.0	1.9	3.1	10.5	4.8	4.6	22.2	18.2
Total in CO_2 eqv., M. t	**14.59**	**14.25**	**13.48**	**13.28**	**12.96**	**12.90**	**12.96**	**12.64**	**12.30**	**11.22**
Current inventory										
3.A Ent. Ferm., kt CH_4	155.0	152.7	138.8	132.6	139.1	141.2	142.4	144.1	141.4	138.0
3.B Man. Man., kt CH_4	105.9	124.5	138.3	149.1	141.4	138.5	135.5	135.1	127.8	110.5
3.B Man. Man., kt N_2O	3.5	3.4	3.5	3.5	2.9	2.7	2.5	2.3	2.1	1.9
3.D Agri. Soils, kt N_2O	21.3	18.6	16.6	15.2	15.1	15.3	15.4	14.3	14.3	13.3
3.Da1 Inorganic N fertilizer	6.3	5.0	4.0	3.2	3.2	3.3	4.0	3.6	3.8	3.3
3.Da2a Animal manure	3.3	3.1	3.1	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.4	3.2	3.0	2.8
3.Da2b Sewage sludge	0.05	0.07	0.06	0.04	0.06	0.13	0.08	0.13	0.12	0.12
3.Da2c Other organic	0.02	0.07	0.08	0.04	0.05	0.07	0.09	0.09	0.10	0.09
3.Da3 Grazing animals	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
3.Da4 Crop residues	2.8	2.7	2.8	2.9	3.1	3.4	3.3	3.1	3.3	2.8
3.Da5 Mineralization	0.7	0.4	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.3
3.Da6 Organic soils	2.7	2.6	2.5	2.4	2.2	1.9	1.5	1.5	1.4	1.3
3.Db1 Atmo. Depo.	2.0	1.6	1.2	0.9	0.9	0.9	1.0	0.9	0.9	0.8
3.Db2 Nitrogen leaching	3.3	2.9	2.3	2.0	2.0	2.1	1.9	1.7	1.6	1.9
3.F Field Burning, kt CH_4	0.07	0.07	0.08	0.09	0.07	0.08	0.10	0.10	0.11	0.09
3.F Field Burning, kt N_2O	0.001	0.001	0.001	0.001	0.001	0.001	0.002	0.002	0.002	0.001
3.G Liming, kt CO_2	565.5	496.0	260.6	219.7	152.8	165.6	249.6	261.9	245.6	183.2
3.H-I Urea and CAN, kt CO_2	48.0	37.6	7.0	1.9	3.1	10.5	4.8	4.6	22.2	9.2
Total in CO_2 eqv., M. t	**14.50**	**14.12**	**13.34**	**13.08**	**12.77**	**12.78**	**12.82**	**12.53**	**12.19**	**11.24**
Change										
3.A Ent. Ferm., kt CH_4	-4.06	-4.79	-5.22	-5.72	-5.53	-5.41	-5.36	-5.46	-5.00	-3.92
3.B Man. Man., kt CH_4	-2.15	-2.66	-2.42	-4.13	-4.52	-3.28	-3.31	-3.21	-2.87	-2.50
3.B Man. Man., kt N_2O	-0.0003	-0.0005	-0.0003	-0.001	-0.0007	-0.0003	-0.002	-0.002	0.0001	-0.004
3.D Agri. Soils, kt N_2O	0.29	0.29	0.30	0.29	0.34	0.41	0.26	0.34	0.30	0.61
3.Da1 Inorganic N fertilizer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.15
3.Da2a Animal manure	-0.0003	-0.0005	-0.0004	-0.0013	-0.0009	-0.0004	-0.001	0.0001	0.002	0.01
3.Da2b Sewage sludge	0	0	0	0	0.0003	0.06	-0.02	0.05	0.05	0.04
3.Da2c Other organic	0	0	0	0	0	<0.001	0	0	<0.001	<0.001
3.Da3 Grazing animals	0	0	0	<0.001	<0.001	0.0001	0.0002	0.0002	0.0002	<0.001
3.Da4 Crop residues	0.32	0.33	0.32	0.31	0.35	0.34	0.29	0.29	0.27	0.44
3.Da5 Mineralization	0.02	0.01	0.02	0.01	0.01	0.008	0.005	0.002	-0.006	-0.005
3.Da6 Organic soils	<-0.001	<-0.001	0	<-0.001	0	0.09	0.14	0.14	0.15	0.15

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3.Db1 Atmo. Depo.	-0.003	-0.002	-0.002	-0.001	-0.001	0.01	-0.004	0.01	0.01	0.01
3.Db2 Nitrogen leaching	-0.046	-0.043	-0.038	-0.028	-0.021	-0.029	-0.03	-0.02	-0.02	-0.02
3.F Field Burning, kt CH_4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.003
3.F Field Burning, kt N_2O	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<0.001
3.G Liming, kt CO_2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3.H-I Urea and CAN, kt CO_2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-9.01
Total in CO_2 eqv., M. t	**-0.10**	**-0.13**	**-0.13**	**-0.20**	**-0.19**	**-0.12**	**-0.14**	**-0.12**	**-0.10**	**0.01**
Change in pct.										
3.A Ent. Ferm., kt CH_4	-2.55	-3.04	-3.63	-4.13	-3.82	-3.69	-3.63	-3.65	-3.41	-2.76
3.B Man. Man., kt CH_4	-1.99	-2.09	-1.72	-2.70	-3.10	-2.31	-2.39	-2.32	-2.19	-2.22
3.B Man. Man., kt N_2O	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.03	-0.03	-0.01	-0.09	-0.09	0.00	-0.20
3.D Agri. Soils, kt N_2O	1.36	1.60	1.85	1.95	2.30	2.77	1.69	2.44	2.17	4.81
3.Da1 Inorganic N fertilizer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4.82
3.Da2a Animal manure	-0.01	-0.02	-0.01	-0.04	-0.03	-0.01	-0.03	0.00	0.08	0.25
3.Da2b Sewage sludge	0	0	0	0	0.47	101.39	-16.78	67.38	68.11	46.81
3.Da2c Other organic	0	0	0	0	0	0.003	0	0	0.004	0.01
3.Da3 Grazing animals	0	0	0	0.00002	0.00003	0.10	0.19	0.15	0.17	0.09
3.Da4 Crop residues	13.03	13.95	12.86	12.01	12.82	11.08	9.54	10.17	8.91	18.54
3.Da5 Mineralization	2.28	2.62	6.34	4.37	9.06	6.66	2.18	1.35	-3.52	-1.87
3.Da6 Organic soils	-0.0005	-0.0008	0	-0.0009	0	5.02	10.06	11.04	11.98	12.04
3.Db1 Atmo. Depo.	-0.14	-0.13	-0.13	-0.15	-0.14	1.05	-0.42	0.83	0.78	1.37
3.Db2 Nitrogen leaching	-1.40	-1.46	-1.61	-1.40	-1.04	-1.40	-1.64	-1.03	-1.01	-1.20
3.F Field Burning, kt CH_4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2.88
3.F Field Burning, kt N_2O	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2.88
3.G Liming, kt CO_2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3.H-I Urea and CAN, kt CO_2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-49.57
Total in pct.	**-0.67**	**-0.92**	**-1.00**	**-1.50**	**-1.48**	**-0.91**	**-1.10**	**-0.92**	**-0.82**	**0.12**

The most significant inventory changes are mentioned below.

5.14.1 Enteric fermentation

A decrease around 2.8-4.3 % are seen for the years 1990-2023. This is mainly due update of Ym for weaners and fattening pigs, where Ym are updated to a national value of 0.3 %. For other poultry, ostrich and pheasants are the emission factor updated so it follows IPCC Guidelines for approximation of emission factors.

A range of changes in number of animals have been made. The calculation of number pullets is changed so it now includes the days the barns are empty for cleaning. The number of pullets is changed for all years 1990-2023. Number of broilers, turkeys, ducks and geese are changed for all years 1990-2023 due to updated estimation of own production. Number of sheep, goats, deer and ostrich is changed for the years 2012-2023 and number of minks in 2023 due to changes in the numbers from CHR. Number of bull calves and bulls is changed for 2020-2023 and number of weaners for the years 2021-2022 due to updated statistics. Further are distribution between large and jersey race for cattle updated for 2023.

5.14.2 Manure management

Recalculations have been made for CH_4, N_2O, NOx and NMVOC.

CH_4

A decrease in CH_4 from manure management of 1.7-3.2 % is seen for 1990-2023. The main changes are seen for bulls and is due to updated values for the use of straw for bedding for some barn types. Use of straw for bedding are also updated for some barn types for sows and fattening pigs. This is based on updated values from the Normative standards.

A range of changes in number of animals have been made. The calculation of number pullets is changed so it now includes the days the barns are empty for cleaning. The number of pullets is changed for all years 1990-2023. Number of broilers, turkeys, ducks and geese are changed for all years 1990-2023 due to updated estimation of own production. Number of sheep, goats, deer and ostrich is changed for the years 2012-2023 and number of minks in 2023 due to changes in the numbers from CHR. Number of bull calves and bulls is changed for 2020-2023 and number of weaners for the years 2021-2022 due to updated statistics. Further are distribution between large and jersey race for cattle updated for 2023.

Small changes are seen for emission from slurry from cattle and swine because the values for HRT are rounded.

N_2O

For total emission of N_2O from 3.B manure management (direct and indirect emission) are seen recalculations for all years 1990-2023 mainly due to changes in number of animals (see description in Chapter for CH_4). The emission is decreased with up to 0.04 % in 1990-2021 and with 0.20 % in 2023. In 2022 the emission is increased with 0.01 %.

NMVOC

For emission of NMVOC from manure management are seen recalculations for the years 1990-2023. The emission of NMVOC is affected by changes in NH_3 emission. The emission decreases in 1990-2002 with up to 0.02 % and in 2005-2021 by 0.1-0.2 %. In 2003-2004 and 2022-2023 the emission increases with less than 0.01 % and up to 0.2 %, respectively. The emission of NMVOC changes due to changes in number of animals (see description in Chapter for CH_4) and changes in amount of straw in barns for bulls, sows and fattening pigs, which changes the amount of volatile solids. Further due changes in NH_3 emission also affect emission of NMVOC and are changes for emissions factors for the barn type deep bedding with long eating space, slatted floor and scrapers and emission factors for storage of slurry is changed for the years 2019-2023 due to updated data for cover of slurry tanks.

NO_x

For the emission of NO_X recalculations are seen for 1990-2023 which decrease the emission with up to 0.1 % in the years 1990-2011, 2013-2019, 2021 and 2023 and decrease the emission with up to 0.02 % in 2012, 2020 and 2022. This is mainly due to changes in the number of animals (see description in Chapter for CH_4).

5.14.3 Agricultural soils

Recalculation of N_2O emission from agricultural soils increase the emission for the years 1990-2023 with 1-6 % mainly due to changes in emission from crop residue. The emission of NMVOC and NO_x has also been recalculated. Changes for all subcategories a mentioned below.

3Da1 Inorganic fertiliser: Emission of N_2O and NO_X from inorganic N-fertiliser is updated for 2023 due to updated data from SGAV. The emission increase by 5 % due higher amount of N.

3Da2a Animal manure applied to soil: Emission of N_2O, NO_X and NMVOC are recalculated for all years 1990-2023.

The emission of N_2O and NO_X is decreased for the years 1990-2020 with up to 0.04 % and increased in 2021-2023 with up to 0.3 %. This is mainly due to changes in number of animals mentioned under 3B manure management.

Emission of NMVOC from manure applied to soil are recalculated for the years 1990-2023. The emission decreases less than 0.03 % for the years 1990-2002 and decreases 0.2-0.6 % in 2005-2022. In 2003-2004 and 2023, the emission increases up to 0.04 %. This is due to changes in number of animals and changes in NH_3 emission.

3Da2b Sewage sludge applied to soil: A recalculation of N_2O and NO_X is made for the years 2010-2023 due to updated values from statistics, decreasing the emission in 2019-2020 with 12-17 % and increasing the emissions in 2010-2012 with 0.5-1 %, in 2013-2017 with 101-103 % and in 2018 and 2021-2023 with 47-68 %.

3Da2c Other organic fertilizer applied to soil: The amount of N from other organic fertiliser from biomass from the biogas production are affected by the emission of NH_3 from the biogas production site, where emissions are reported in the waste sector. Recalculations are made in the waste sector for 2015-2016 and 2022-2023 which gives changes for N applied as fertiliser in the agricultural sector.

No recalculations of emission from sludge from industries.

In total, the N_2O and NO_X emission from other organic fertilizer applied to soil is increased for 2015-2016 and 2022-2023 by up to 0.01 %.

3Da3 Urine and dung deposited by grazing animals: The emission of N_2O and NO_X from grazing animals is recalculated for the years 2005-2023. The emission decreases by 0.6 % and 0.7 % for N_2O and NO_X, respectively, in 2019 and increases by up to 0.4 % in 2005-2018 and 2020-2023. The changes are due to recalculation of number of sheep, goats, deer, ostrich, organic broilers and geese.

3Da4 Crop residues: The calculation for total N content in crop residues has been updated to reflect IPCC guidelines, where the fraction of below ground crop residues removed annually was previously applied to both above and below ground residues, it is now only applied to the below ground fraction, which has caused an increase of 9-20 % total N in crop residues in all years 1985-2023.

3Da5 Mineralization: Data used for C-TOOL calculations in the LULUCF sector is updated due to updated amount of straw in barns for bulls, sows and fattening pigs and changes in number of animals. This gives recalculation for mineralization that increase the emission for the years 1990-2021 by 1-22 % and decrease the emission in 2022-2023 by 17-18 %.

3Da6 Cultivation of organic soils: Small adjustments in the area with organic soils for the years 1990-2010 gives changes in the emission of less than 0.001 %. For the years 2011-2023, updated values for the distribution of soils in >12 % and 6-12 % organic carbon is implemented, which increase the emission of N_2O from organic soils with 1-12 %.

3Db1 Atmospheric deposition: The emission of N_2O from atmospheric deposition is recalculated for all years 1990-2023. The emission decreased by 0.1-0.2 % in 1990-2012 and by 0.4 % in 2019-2020. In 2013-2013 and 2021-2023, the emission increased by 0.6-1.4 %. This is mainly due to changes in NH_3 emission from crop residue (1990-2023) and NH_3 and NO_X emission from sewage sludge (2010-2023) and inorganic N-fertiliser (2023).

3Db2 Nitrogen leaching and run-off: N-leaching to rivers and estuaries has been updated due to updated data from NOVANA. This decreases the emission with 1.0-1.8 % for all years 1990-2023.

5.14.4 Field burning of agricultural residue

Recalculations have been made for the year 2023 due to updated activity data from Statistics Denmark.

5.14.5 Liming

No recalculations.

5.14.6 Urea and other C-containing fertilisers

Recalculations have been made for the year 2023 due to updated activity data from SGAV.

5.15 Category-specific improvements

5.15.1 Response to the review process

A review of the Danish 2024 submission took place on 28 April to 2 May 2025 in Copenhagen (UN, 2025). See Table 5.42 for responses.

Table 5.42 Response to the review process.

Para.	CRT	ERT Comment	Denmark's response	Reference
2024 submission (Review report: terr1_2024_DNKa01.pdf)				
5.A.1	3.D.1.a Inorganic nitrogen fertilizers – N2O	In its NID, Denmark explained that two data sources were used for the AD for inorganic nitrogen fertilizers: sales statistics, managed by the Danish Agricultural Agency (for 1990–2008, 2017 and 2019–2022); and fertilizer accounts, controlled by the Danish Agricultural Agency (for 2009–2016 and 2018). The resulting time series for fertilizer use differs from the Danish data reported to Eurostat. During the review, the Party provided a spreadsheet containing the AD reported in CRT 3.D (category 3.D.1.a) for Denmark (excluding Greenland and the Faroe Islands) and the corresponding Danish data reported to Eurostat. For 2021–2022, the Eurostat data are more than 10 per cent lower than the data reported in the CRT. In 2009–2020 the Eurostat data are on average 4 per cent lower. In 2008 and earlier years, there is no significant difference. The TERT noted that the Eurostat data will soon represent the official statistics for EU member States, following the adoption of the EU regulation regarding statistics on nutrients (regulation 2024/2212) in 2024. This regulation requires a mandatory annual submission by EU member States	A process of dialogue has been initiated to improve the consistency of the data sets regarding the use of inorganic fertilizers. Meetings with the Danish Agency for land use change and the Aquatic Environment (SGAV) and Statistics Denmark (responsible for data delivered to Eurostat) have been initiated, were discussions on how we can provide data which in the best way reflects the consumption of N in inorganic fertilizes. The process is still in progress.	

Para.	CRT	ERT Comment	Denmark's response	Reference
		of statistical data on nitrogen quantities in inorganic fertilizers used for agriculture, with 2026 as the first reporting year. This recent change in legal arrangements may lead to a change in institutional and procedural arrangements, as specified in paragraph 18 of the MPGs, given the already existing discrepancies between the inventory data and Eurostat data. The TERT encourages the Party to collaborate more closely with the Danish institute responsible for submitting the official statistical data on inorganic fertilizers to Eurostat in order to improve consistency between the inventory data reported in CRT 3.D for category 3.D.1.a and the Danish data reported to Eurostat		
5.A.2	3.D.1.a Inorganic nitrogen fertilizers – N2O	In NID table 1.5, the Party reported an uncertainty of 3 per cent for the AD for inorganic nitrogen fertilizers (category 3.D.1.a). However, the data reported in NID figure 5.7 presenting the sales statistics and nitrogen fertilizer accounts imply a higher uncertainty. During the review, the TERT compared the national data collected by the Party (sales statistics, fertilizer accounts and the resulting inventory time series) with the Danish data reported to Eurostat, FAOSTAT and the International Fertilizer Association. After comparing these data sources, the TERT concluded that the uncertainty of the AD for inorganic nitrogen fertilizers (category 3.D.1.a) should be higher than 3 per cent. The TERT recommends that the Party update the uncertainty of the AD for inorganic nitrogen fertilizers (category 3.D.1.a) to a higher percentage than the 3 per cent reported in the NID.	The uncertainty estimate has been updated. A comparison of the sale statistics and the Fertilizer Account for 2009-2024, shows that the difference varies ±3-23%. Based on this, a uncertainty by 20% has been assumed for the entire time period.	Chapter 5.12.1
5.A.3	3.D.1.f Cultivation of organic soils (i.e. histosols) – N2O	The recalculations performed for cultivation of organic soils (category 3.D.1.f) had the greatest impact on the estimates of agricultural emissions, with a decrease in estimated N2O emissions of up to 34.8 per cent for 2011–2021 (NID table 5.39). NID section 5.14.3 mentions that a new map of organic soils was constructed, without providing a description of the assumptions underlying the recalculations. These organic soil maps are constructed infrequently (1975, 2010, and 2022) and there was no description of the interpolation method used for the years without organic soil maps (1976–2009 and 2011–2021). It is also unclear which extrapolation method will be used for future years until a new organic soil map is available. During the review, the Party provided additional information, explaining that organic soils in the country consist of very thin layers and, consequently, disappear over time. For 1976–2009 a linear interpolation was applied on the basis of the organic soil map estimates for 1975 and 2010. For 2011–2021 an extrapolation method was applied on a yearly basis, with a recalculation of the entire time series when the estimates from the organic soil map for 2022 became available. The Party explained that the extrapolation for 2023 and later years will consider the downward trend in organic soil disappearance to minimize the recalculation when a new organic soil map becomes available (around 2030).The TERT recommends that the Party enhance the transparency of its next NID by describing the interpolation and extrapolation methods used to calculate the AD for cultivation of organic soils (category 3.D.1.f) in relation to the infrequent availability of the organic soil maps, for example by referencing the splicing techniques provided in the 2006 IPCC Guidelines (vol. 1, section 5.3.3).	Expanded text is included in NID agricultural chapter including activity data for emission source Cultivation of organic soils (category 3.D.1.f). To increase the transparency more detail description of interpolation and extrapolation methods used to calculate the AD for cultivation of organic soils.	Chapter 5.6.3 Cultivation of organic soils

5.16 Planned improvements

Caused by the requirements to continue focus on the possibilities to reduce the agricultural ammonia emission, a still increasing part of the farmers

choose ammonia reducing technologies as for example air scrubbers, slurry acidification and slurry cooling, where the last two technologies mention also leads to a reduction in CH_4 emission. However, reduction of CH_4 is not yet included due to lack of verified reduction potential. However, a further work is ongoing in several scientific projects to include effect of reduced CH_4 in the future emission inventories.

The national Y_m factor for dairy cattle has been updated in 2021 due to change in the fodder practice. However, a lot of scientific work is still going on about new feeding strategies with e.g. supply of fatty acids and other feed additives to reduce the CH_4 emission from enteric fermentation. This work will be followed an included in the inventory when it is implemented by farmers in Danish cattle production.

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6 LULUCF

This chapter covers the territory of Denmark without Greenland and the Faroe Islands. Greenland is submitting a separate NID as well as the corresponding CRTs for the Greenlandic territory to UNFCCC. This can be found as Chapter 11. The Faroe Islands is submitting a separate NID as well as the corresponding CRTs for the Faroese Island. This can be found as Chapter 12 of the NID.

Chapter 6 is structured as follows: Section 6.1 presents an overview of the sector, emissions and CRTs and overall emission estimates, next an overview and introduction to the methodology, key category analysis and the tier levels applied. Section 6.2 explains the categorisation and mapping of land area along with information on the data input sources and soil type categorisation. Sections 6.3 – 6.8 go into detail and unfold the calculations, activity data and emission factors for each of the land use categories and subcategories. Sections 6.10 - 6.14 contains information on the smaller emissions source categories such as methane (CH_4) and nitrous oxide (N_2O), biomass burning and Harvested Wood Products. Sections 6.15-6.16 hold descriptions on the quality assessment and quality controls (QA/QC) and improvements. Finally, Section 6.17 provides the references.

Annex 3E with supporting information include further information and can be found here: Annex 3E LULUCF

6.1 Overview of the sector

The LULUCF sector covers the emissions related to Land Use, Land Use Change and Forestry, reporting on the impact from the big carbon streams from the land use and from changes in the land use. This includes carbon from both living biomass (aboveground and belowground), dead biomass, and carbon stocks in the soils. Following the 2006 IPCC guidelines, all land area is classified into the six IPCC land categories: Forest land, Cropland, Grassland, Wetlands, Settlements, and Other land. Together, the land categories form the basis of the LULUCF inventory methodology. When the land use of an area changes, it is registered as 'land converted to/from' in the following 30 years. Land which has been reported in the same land category for more than 30 years is reported in the category 'land remaining'. A couple of related emission sources are included in the LULUCF: Harvested wood products and biomass burning.

The sector correlates to the CRT 4 tables, and contains the emissions from the following main sources and their corresponding specific CRT categories and table numbers:

- Forest land (4.A)
- Cropland (4.B)
- Grassland (4.C)
- Wetlands (4.D)
- Settlements (4.E)
- Other land (4.F)
- Harvested wood products (4.G)

Emissions from land-use related activities is reported under the respective land use category, e.g. Forest management is reported under Forest land, and rewetting of soil is reported under the Wetlands category. Direct and indirect N_2O from all forms of nitrogen input to the managed soils e.g. in Forest land and Cropland are reported with Agriculture in Chapter 5 and not in CRT 4(I) and 4(IV). Minor N_2O emissions from mineralisation/immobilisation related to organic matter degradation in Forest soils and from peat extraction areas is included in LULUCF (CRT 4(III)) as well CH_4 and N_2O from management of organic soils (peat extraction and drainage and rewetting) (CRT 4(II)). Emissions from biomass burning is reported in CRT 4(IV).

Denmark is situated around 56°N and 13°E and covers 43 051 km^2. According to the 2006 IPCC Guidelines, the climate is cold and wet. No permanent ice and only very small, insignificant areas with rocks occur. Savannas and rice cultivation do not occur. Denmark is an intensively cultivated country where most of the area is affected by agriculture, and almost all land is managed in one way or the other. The average temperature in the latest standard 30-year period 1991-2020 was 8.7 °C (DMI, 2023), and the mean temperature of 2024 was 9.8 °C (Rubek, 2025). The warmest year ever reported, since the Danish measurements began in 1884, was 2014 with an average temperature of 10.0 °C (DMI, 2021).

6.1.1 Abbreviations

Land uses:
FL: Forest land
CL: Cropland
GL: Grassland
SE: Settlements
WE: Wetlands
OL: Other land

Other abbreviations:
ABG: Above Ground Biomass
AF: Afforestation
AIS: Areal Information System
BGB: Below Ground Biomass
C: Carbon
CAP: Common Agricultural Policy
CR: Crop Residue
DAA: Danish Agriculture Agency
DEM: Digital Elevation Model
DM: Dry Matter
DNA: Danish Nature Agency
DOC: Dissolved Organic Carbon
DOM: Dead Organic Matter
DTM: Digital Terrain Model
DSM: Digital Surface Model
EO: Earth Observation
FOD: First Order Decay
FRF: Forest Remaining Forest
GIS: Geographic Information System
GWT: Groundwater Table
HWP: Harvested Wood Products
IACS: Integrated Administration and Control System (EU)
KCA: Key Category Analysis
LULC: Land Use, Land Cover

LULUCF: Land Use, Land use Change and Forestry
LPIS: Land Parcel Information System
N: Nitrogen
NFI: National Forest Inventory
OC: Organic Carbon
OM: Organic Matter
PM: Point of Measures
PSU: Primary Sampling Unit (National Forest Inventory)
SOC: Soil Organic Carbon
SOM: Soil Organic Matter
SSU: Secondary Sampling Unit (National Forest Inventory)
TSU: Tertiary Sampling Units (National Forest Inventory)
SINKs: Specific group of research projects covering LULUCF
FOM: Fresh Organic Matter
HUM: Humified Organic Matter
ROM: Resilient Organic Matter

6.1.2 Overall emission estimates

In 2024, total emissions from LULUCF were estimated to be a net source of 4.4 kt CO_2 equivalents (eqv.), marking the shift back to a minor source of emissions after two years of functioning as a sink (2022, 2023). Table 6.1 gives an overview of the emission from the LULUCF sector in Denmark from 1990 to 2024. The LULUCF sector differs from the other sectors in that it contains both sources and sinks of CO_2. In this report, removals are given as negative figures and emissions are reported as positive figures in accordance with the IPCC guidelines[1].

The average net emission from the LULUCF sector in the last five years from 2020-2024 was 80.4 kt CO_2 eqv., representing a 99 % reduction from the base year of 1990, but there are large yearly variations in the sector, since it is highly impacted by e.g. varying climatic conditions affecting the biological factors of growth, decomposition, yield etc. The majority of emissions in the sector are CO_2, but these are exceeded by removals resulting in net removals of 596 kt CO_2 in 2024. N_2O and CH_4 contribute with emissions emitted to the atmosphere, thus decreasing the net sink of the LULUCF sector in 2024.

The Danish forests have been estimated to be a net sink of 1788 kt CO_2 eqv. in 2024 (CRT 10s1). The forests have been a sink of 3224 kt CO_2 eqv. on average in the last 10 years. Cultivation and drainage of organic soils within Cropland (CL) and Grassland (GL) is the main source of emissions in the sector, amounting to 2895 kt CO_2 eqv. in 2024 (CRT 10s1). Emissions from organic soils equal 7.7 % of national emissions in 2024 (incl. indirect CO_2, with LULUCF). The LULUCF sector is a substantial contributor to the total estimated Danish uncertainty.

[1] In the CRT tables it is opposite; here C stock gains (removals) are reported as positive figures and C stock losses (emissions) are reported as negative figures.

Table 6.1 Overall emission in kt CO_2 equivalents from the LULUCF sector, 1990 - 2024.

CRT	Category	1990	2000	2010	2020	2022	2023	2024
4.	Total LULUCF	6565.1	5034.1	2298.0	1226.5	-575.0	-622.6	4.4
4.A	Forest Land (FL)	-1345.7	-1365.7	-2372.5	-2253.1	-3521.4	-4087.4	-3343.2
4.B	Cropland (CL)	6649.9	5274.8	3640.0	2415.6	1730.3	2243.0	1788.3
4.C	Grassland (GL)	666.9	647.5	656.6	844.1	898.3	896.2	1107.1
4.D	Wetlands (WE)	111.3	82.1	79.1	132.1	148.7	146.7	179.9
4.E	Settlements (SE)	485.1	369.6	319.9	205.4	292.4	290.4	264.6
4.F	Other Land (OL)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
4.G	Harvested Wood Products (HWP)	-2.4	25.8	-25.1	-117.6	-123.2	-111.4	7.6

The total emissions from Cropland is ranging from being a net source of 6650 kt CO_2 eqv. in 1990 to a net source of 1788 kt CO_2 eqv. in 2024. From 1990 and onwards, a general decrease in the emission from Cropland is estimated due to the following reasons:

- A continuously smaller area with cultivation of organic soils leading to a net reduction in emissions due to land use change from organic soils to mineral soils.
- A marked decrease in the carbon content in cultivated organic agricultural soils with high organic carbon content (drained former peatlands) as the organic matter has been depleted and emitted the previously fixed CO_2.
- A higher incorporation of straw (ban on field burning).
- Requirements on growing of catch crops in the autumn.
- A switch from low-yielding spring barley to high-yielding winter wheat.
- Generally increased crop yields which increase the C input to soils from crop residues.
- An increased carbon stock in hedgerows due to a buildup of C in hedges planted within the last 25 years (equilibrium et expected to be reached after 25 years).

Fluctuations in the emissions from Cropland between years are mainly related to the crop yield that year and the climatic conditions, as the emission estimate is based on a dynamic Tier 3 modelling. Low crop yields combined with high temperatures reduce the total amount of carbon in agricultural soils, because low yields also mean low biomass production and thus low C input to the field and the soil, and because the higher temperatures increase biological activity and increase the decomposition rate in the model. A year with a high yield and low temperatures increases the carbon stock in soil, due to a higher biomass production and a lowered decomposition rate.

Emissions reported under Grassland, where the dominant source is organic soils, has increased since 1990 to 1107 kt CO_2 eqv. in 2024 due to a larger area of organic soils in Cropland has been converted to permanent grassland.

The area with restored wetlands has increased and the area with peat excavation has been reduced since 1990, leading to a lower emission from wetlands.

In Figure 6.1, the time series (1990-2024) for the aggregated source categories is visualised along with a black line that represents the total LULUCF emissions. Cropland and Grassland stand out as the main emission sources. The forest net sink is pictured as negative bars.

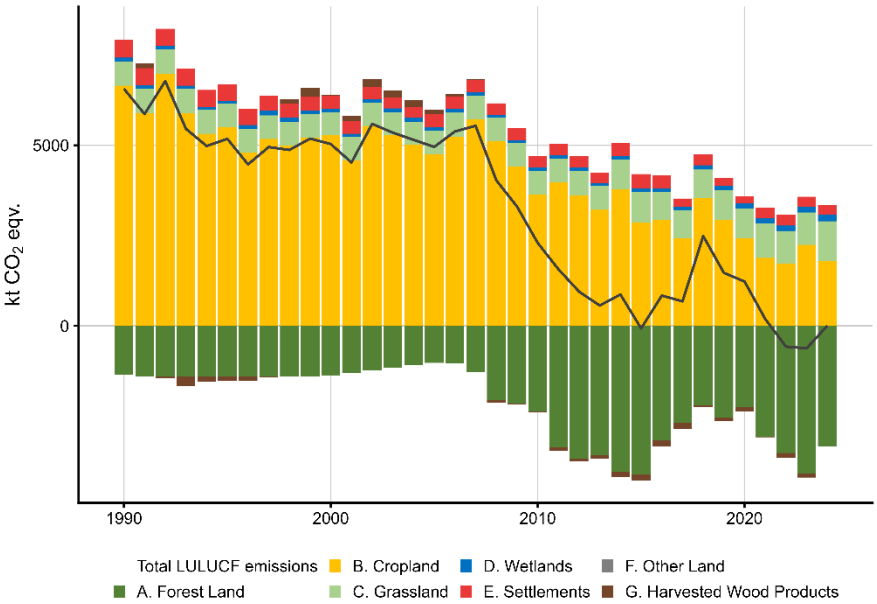


Figure 6.1 Overview of the land use categories' contribution to total emissions and sinks in the LULUCF sector in the period 1990 to 2024.

6.1.3 Key category analysis

Key Category Analysis (KCA) highlights the most significant emission sources, either due to their emission level in 1990, in 2024 or due to significance in the historical trend of the emission source. KCA for approach 1 and 2 for level in year 1990, 2024 and trend for Denmark has been carried out in accordance with the 2006 IPCC Guidelines. Table 6.2 shows which of the LULUCF categories are identified as key categories by the respective approaches. Detailed KCA is explained and shown in NID Chapter 1.5 and Annex 1 (Annex 1).

The major key categories in the LULUCF sector are the CO_2 emissions from forests remaining forest on both the level and the trend. For Cropland, both mineral and organic soils are major key sources.

Table 6.2 Key categories, LULUCF (analysed including LULUCF).

CRT Category	GHG	Approach 1			Approach 2		
		1990	2024	1990-2024	1990	2024	1990-2024
4.A.1 Forest land remaining forest land, Living biomass	CO_2		Level	Trend		Level	Trend
4.A.1 Forest land remaining forest land, DOM	CO_2		Level				
4.A.1 Forest land remaining forest land, Mineral soils	CO_2	Level	Level	Trend	Level	Level	Trend
4.A.1 Forest land remaining forest land, Organic soils	CO_2		Level	Trend	Level	Level	Trend
4.A.2 Land converted to forest land	CO_2	Level	Level	Trend	Level	Level	Trend
4.B.1 Cropland remaining cropland, Living biomass	CO_2						
4.B.1 Cropland remaining cropland, Mineral soils	CO_2	Level		Trend	Level		Trend
4.B.1 Cropland remaining cropland, Organic soils	CO_2	Level	Level	Trend	Level	Level	Trend
4.B.2 Forest land converted to cropland	CO_2						Trend
4(II) Cropland on organic soils	CO_2				Level		
4.C.1 Grassland remaining grassland, Organic soils	CO_2	Level	Level	Trend	Level	Level	Trend
4.D.1.1 Peat extraction remaining peat extraction	CO_2				Level		
4.E.2 Forest land converted to settlements	CO_2					Level	Trend
4(II) Cropland on organic soils	CH_4	Level	Level		Level	Level	Trend
4(II) Grassland on organic soils	CH_4		Level	Trend	Level	Level	Trend
4(II) A. Forest land, organic soils	CH_4						Trend
4(II) Land converted to wetlands	CH_4		Level	Trend		Level	Trend

6.1.4 Overall methodology and tier levels

The current submission is based on the 2006 IPCC Guidelines combined with the emission factors from the 2013 Wetlands Supplement (IPCC, 2014) Chapter 2 and 3 for CO_2, N_2O and CH_4 combined with nationally derived emission factors.

Activity data for reporting in the LULUCF sector covers the size of the area within the individual land-use categories, determined by the land use presentation. Within each land-use category there can be several subcategories. In a Danish context, subcategories include soil type (mineral or organic) and management practice (e.g. drainage conditions). Emission factors will depend on the specific land-use category and its subcategories. For example, estimating the emissions for drained organic soils requires a different emission factor if the land use is Cropland compared to Grassland, and a third for Wetland. The activity data and emission factors are explained in each land category section.

Tier

The type of emission factor and the applied tier level for each key category emission source are shown in Table 6.3 below. The tier level has been determined based on the 2006 IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006). The tier level definitions were interpreted as follows:

- Tier 1: The emission factor is an IPCC default tier 1 value, some of which are country specific.
- Tier 2: The emission factors are country specific and based on either a few emission measurements or IPCC tier 2 emission factors.
- Tier 3: Based on models, which include carbon stock changes methodologies.

Table 6.3 Tier level and type of emission factor for emission sources defined as key categories. Most of the categories involve multiple emission sources which is why multiple tier levels are applied in many cases.

CRT	Category	GHG	Tier level	EF [a]
4.A.1	Forest land, living biomass	CO_2	Tier 1, 2, 3	CS
	Forest land, dead organic matter	CO_2	Tier 2, 3	CS
	Forest land, organic soils	CO_2	Tier 1	D
4.A.2	Other land uses converted to forest	CO_2	Tier 1, 2	CS, D
4.B.1	Cropland, Living biomass	CO_2	Tier 2	CS
	Cropland, Mineral soils	CO_2	Tier 1, 3	CS, D
	Cropland, Organic soils	CO_2	Tier 2	CS, D
4.B.2	Forest land converted to Cropland	CO_2	Tier 1, 2, 3	CS
	Other land uses converted to Cropland	CO_2	Tier 1, 2, 3	CS, D
4.C.1	Grassland, Organic soils	CO_2	Tier 2	CS
4.C.2	Other land uses converted to Grassland	CO_2	Tier 1, 2, 3	CS
4.D.1	Wetlands	CO_2	Tier 1	D
4.D.2	Wetlands	CO_2	Tier 1	D
4.E.1	Settlement	CO_2	Tier 1, 2	CS, D
4.E.2	Other land uses converted to Settlements	CO_2	Tier 1	CS, D
4.G	Harvested Wood Products	CO_2	Tier 2	CS, D
4(II)	Drainage and Rewetting	CH_4	Tier 1	D

[a] CS= Country Specific value. D= Default value.

6.1.5 Main data sources

The main data source is a complete wall-to-wall mapping of Denmark at 25 × 25 metres pixel level (the land use matrix). The inventory uses many detailed and available data to supplement and subdivide the emissions, such as:

- Various spatially explicit data sources, such as detailed map information on housing and road construction.
- Digital maps for subsidy schemes on afforestation on Cropland and Grassland with the exact position of the afforested areas.
- A National Forest Inventory (NFI) starting in 2002 based on 2 × 2 km grid square.
- EU subsidy related annual digital registration of farmers' own crops on field level, for dynamic modelling of carbon stock in agricultural soils based on the exact position of every agricultural field.
- Map of the organic soils (10 * 10 m raster), in a GIS overlay combined with the annual field position (shape files).
- The Danish topographical maps (digital elevation model; DEM) for predicting biomass in hedges and other biotopes not qualified as forest.
  Digital maps with exact positions of where wetland restoration is taking place, etc.

6.2 Assessment of land categories and C stock change

Categorisation of the Danish land area into the six IPCC land categories (IPCC 2006) forms the basis of the activity data for the LULUCF sector. A method for mapping land categories and changes in land categories has been constructed for the purpose, called the Land Use Matrix. The Land Use Matrix, which is briefly described in the next sections, compiles spatially explicit data from various sources to identify and map land use and land cover (LULC) categories and continuously monitor changes between the categories. Detailed documentations of the applied data and methodology for the Land Use Matrix can be found in Levin et al. (2014), Levin and Gyldenkærne (2022), and Levin (2024).

The emission estimates from Forest land specifically are based on updates from the yearly NFI, and the overall methodology for the Forest inventory is described in 6.3 Forest land.

Emissions from the soils are dependent on the categorisation into soil types. For mineral Forest soils the no-source principle and default EF for organic soils are applied. For agricultural soils in Cropland and Grassland, the soil type categories applied in the inventory are divided into mineral soils with an SOC % < 6 % and organic soils ≥ 6% SOC.

6.2.1 Land category definitions and data sources

The assessment of LULC changes is based on a combination of various spatially explicit data sources. The assessment was first elaborated for the period from 1990 to 2005 and from 2005 to 2011 (Levin et al., 2014) and since 2011 at an annual basis (Levin and Gyldenkærne, 2022). The mapping is elaborated in raster format with a cell size of 25 × 25 metres.

The terrestrial area forms the physical frame for the estimation of LULC changes and is defined as the inland area above the highest tidal limit. For the Danish inventory, the terrestrial area is derived from the administrative delineation of regions from 2011 (SDFI, 2011) and covers 43 056 km² in the

rasterised version, although minor changes in the terrestrial area take place because of both land reclamation and coastal erosion. Hence, the included area has slightly increased primarily due to land reclamation for new harbours etc. This land reclamation is included in Settlement. The total reclaimed land from 1990 to 2024 has been estimated to 521 hectares.

Settlement is defined as developed land including transportation infrastructure and human settlements.

Cropland includes arable and tillage land, and agroforestry systems, where vegetation falls below the thresholds of 10 percent crown cover used for the Forest land category, consistent with the selection of national definitions. For the Danish inventory, cropland is defined as land intensively utilised for agricultural purposes. If a grassland area is part of a frequent agricultural rotation cycle, is included in the Cropland category.

Grassland includes rangelands and pastureland that is not considered as cropland. It also includes systems with vegetation that fall below the threshold used in the Forest land category and are not expected to exceed, without human intervention, the threshold used in the Forest land category. The category also includes all grassland from wild lands to recreational areas as well as agricultural and silvopastoral systems, subdivided into managed and unmanaged consistent with national definitions. For the Danish inventory, Grassland is defined as land with grass and herbaceous vegetation, which is used for grazing and other areas where the vegetation is maintained at a state, which implies that it does not hold trees with a crown cover of at least 10 percent. In that case, it would meet the definition for Forest land. For the Danish inventory, Grassland includes extensively managed grassland, dry grassland, and heathland.

Wetland is sub-divided into three categories: Peat extraction areas, permanently water covered such as lakes and rivers (flooded land) and periodically water covered wetlands (other wetlands). For the Danish inventory, areas of open sea are not included. Periodically water covered wetland is defined as land that is covered or saturated by water part of the year. For the Danish inventory, periodically water covered area includes freshwater meadows, coastal meadows, mires, bogs, and areas used for peat excavation.

Forest land follows the FAO definition of land wider than 20 m, spanning more than 0.5 hectares covered with trees higher than 5 meters having a canopy cover of more than 10 percent, or trees able to reach these thresholds in situ. It does not include land that is predominantly under agricultural or urban land use but includes temporarily unstocked forest areas, smaller open areas in the forest needed for management purposes and fire breaks. Conifers for production of Christmas trees as well as forest for energy production, except willow plantations (for coppice production, harvested every 3 year is reported in Cropland), are also included in the Forest land category. Woody vegetation not meeting the forest definition, such as shelter belts and fruit plantations for commercial purposes, orchards, gardens etc., which might be able to reach the forest definition, are reported under the Cropland category. Woody vegetation located within the Settlement category, such as trees in urban parks or gardens are included in the Settlement category.

Other land is defined as land with little or no vegetation and consequently no or very limited carbon stocks, both as living or dead biomass or as carbon in

the soil. For the Danish inventory, Other land includes beaches, sand dunes and rocks.

Table 6.4 provides an overview of the applied data for the six land categories for the baseline period from 1990 to 2011 and for the annual updates since 2011. Compared to the baseline period, for the annual updates, fewer data sources are applied. Annual updates for the categories Cropland, Grassland and Forest land are based on field parcel maps (Danish Agricultural Agency, 2023). The categories Settlements and Wetlands, permanently water-covered are based on the topographical database (SDFI, 2024) and the category Wetland, periodically water covered is based on Wetland restauration designations (Danish Agricultural Agency, 2010 - 2024) and on field parcel maps (Danish Agricultural Agency, 2024).

Table 6.4 Applied data sources for land categories for the period from 1990 to 2011 and for annual updates after 2011.

IPCC Land area category	Definition	Data sources	
		Mapping 1990-2005 and 2005 - 2011	Annual updates since 2011
Forest land	Land wider than 20 m and spanning more than 0.5 hectares with trees taller than 5 meters and a canopy cover of more than 10 %, or trees able to reach these thresholds in situ. This includes Christmas trees.	Field parcel map 2011 (Danish Agricultural Agency, 2024a) Field block maps 1998 – 2010 (Danish Agricultural Agency, 2024b). Agricultural registers (GLR) 1998 – 2010 (Danish Agricultural Agency, 2024c). Landsat 5 Thematic Mapper scenes from 1990 and 2005-06 and SPOT XS (Eurimage, USGS EROS Data Center, and Image2006).	Field parcel maps 2011-2024 (Danish Agricultural Agency, 2024a). Validation by NFI sample plots.
Cropland	Land intensively utilised for agricultural purposes. This includes grassland, which is part of a frequent rotation cycle.	Field parcel map 2011 (Danish Agricultural Agency, 2024a) Field block maps 1998 – 2010 (Danish Agricultural Agency, 2024b). Agricultural registers (GLR) 1998 – 2010 (Danish Agricultural Agency, 2024c).	Field parcel maps 2011-2024 (Danish Agricultural Agency, 2024a).
Grassland	Rangelands and pastureland that is not considered Cropland as well as other open areas in the landscape representing more permanent grasslands.	Field parcel map 2011 (Danish Agricultural Agency, 2024a) Field block maps 1998 – 2010 (Danish Agricultural Agency, 2022b). Agricultural registers (GLR) 1998 – 2010 (Danish Agricultural Agency, 2022c). Registration of protected habitat types (Danish Environmental Agency, 2011a). Management plans for state forests (Danish Nature Agency, 2011). Management plans for defence holdings (Danish Defence, 2011). Registration of habitat types within Natura2000 designations (Danish Environmental Agency, 2011b).	Field parcel maps 2011-2024 (Danish Agricultural Agency, 2024a).
Settlement	Developed land including transportation infrastructure and human settlements.	Topographical database 2005 and 2011 (SDFI, 2023). The Danish Areal Information System (AIS) (Danish Ministry of Environment, 2024). The national cadastre map 2012 (Danish Geodata Agency, 2012). The Danish Building Register (BBR) (Danish Ministry of the interior and Housing, 2011).	Topographical database 2012 – 2024 (SDFI, 2024).
Wetlands	Flooded areas include permanent water bodies, which are saturated by water throughout the year, such as lakes and other permanent water bodies except open sea.	Topographical database 2005 and 2011 (SDFI, 2024). The Danish Areal Information System (AIS) (Danish Ministry of Environment, 2024).	Topographical database 2012 – 2024 (SDFI, 2024).
	Other wetlands include periodically water covered land that is covered or saturated by water part of the year, such as freshwater meadows, coastal meadows, mires, bogs and peat excavation sites.	Field parcel map 2011 (Danish Agricultural Agency, 2023a). Field block maps 1998 – 2010 (Danish Agricultural Agency, 2024b). Registration of protected habitat types (Danish Environmental Agency, 2011a). Registration of habitat types within Natura2000 designations (Danish Environmental Agency, 2011b). Management plans for state forests (Danish Nature Agency, 2011). Management plans for defence holdings (Danish Defence, 2011). Wetland restauration designations until 2011 (Danish Agricultural Agency, 2024c).	Field parcel maps 2011-2024 (Danish Agricultural Agency 2024a). Wetland restauration designations until 2024 (Danish Agricultural Agency, 2024c).
Other Land	Land with limited or no vegetation and limited carbon stocks, such as beaches and sand dunes.	Topographical database 2011 (SDFI, 2024). Registration of habitat types within Natura2000 designations (Danish Environmental Agency, 2011b). Management plans for state forests (Danish Nature Agency, 2011). Management plans for defence holdings (Danish Defence, 2011).	Other land is assumed not to change significantly and therefore kept constant over the whole assessment period.

6.2.2 Methodology for land category change assessment

The assessment of LULC changes is divided into an assessment of changes from 1891 to 1990 and from 1990 to 2011 with elaborated maps for the years 1990, 2005 and 2011 and an annual change assessment after the year 2011.

6.2.2.1 Assessment from 1891 – 1990

For a general inclusion of a 30-year transition period in the Land Use Matrix LULC changes for the period from 1961 to 1990 is based on area data from Statistics Denmark. For carbon stock changes in mineral soils in land converted to Forest land a transition period of 100 years is used. For this purpose, afforestation rates since 1891 are established based on data from statistics Denmark combined with expert judgement of the forest area in Sønderjylland (part of Southern Jutland which were part of German until 1920 and thus not included in data from Statistics Denmark.

6.2.2.2 Assessment from 1990 – 2011

The assessment of LULC changes for the period from 1990 to 2011 is based on a baseline mapping of land categories for the year 2011 and subsequent backward mapping for the years 2005 and 1990. For the 2011 baseline map, existing datasets are applied to map the six land categories, and the categories are subsequently overlaid. Where land categories overlap (i.e. areas, which are contained in more than one category), the categories with higher spatial and thematic accuracies are prioritised over categories with lower accuracies. E.g. the categories Cropland and Grassland, which are derived from the field parcel maps, are prioritised over Forest land, which is derived from satellite images.

In the next step, a backward mapping was done, first for the year 2005 and then for the year 1990. Since field parcel maps and topographic data are not available for the years 1990 and 2005, the assessment of land categories for these years are based on various other datasets. Mapping of the Forest land category is based on classification of Landsat images, Cropland and Grassland categories are based on agricultural information at field block scale and the Settlement category is based on a combination of cadastral maps and the Danish Building register and on the Danish Areal Information System (AIS). The applied data and methods are described in detail in Levin et al. (2014)

6.2.2.3 Annual assessments after 2011

Due to a significant increase in the availability of spatially explicit information since the year 2011, the assessment of annual changes in LULC is based on annually updated countrywide datasets. The categories Settlement and Flooded Wetland (permanently water-covered) are based on data from topographical databases. Even though updated versions of the topographical database are continuously available, the information contained in this database is not necessarily updated annually and time lags of up to four years can occur. The Cropland, Grassland and Forest land categories are based on annually updated field parcel maps.

Introducing annual updates also entails fluctuations, particularly between the categories Cropland, Grassland and Forest land. E.g. a field parcel can change from Cropland to Grassland in one year and then change back to Cropland in the year after. To reduce fluctuations between land categories for the Danish inventory, two rules are applied for the annual assessment:

- A change from non-forest to Forest land is only mapped, if the cell contains forest land in the field parcel maps in at least two successive years. Therefore, afforestation is registered with a delay of one year.
- A change from Cropland to Grassland is only mapped, if the cell contains Grassland in the field parcel maps in at least five successive years. Therefore, changes from Cropland to Grassland are registered with a delay of four years.

Furthermore, in order to keep the annual update of LULC changes consistent, following general rules are applied:

- For cells, where Forest land changes to Settlement, the forest layer from the topographical database is applied to qualify, if the cell is forest. E.g., if the cell is included in the forest layer from the topographical database, the cell is kept as Forest land. Otherwise, the cell is mapped as Settlement.
- For cells, which change from any land category to undefined, i.e., are not contained in any of the applied layers for the subsequent year, the cell is kept in the category of the previous year.
- No changes from Settlement to other land use categories are mapped. I.e., once a cell is mapped as Settlement, it is kept in the Settlement category in all subsequent years, reflecting that such a change is unlikely in Denmark.

A considerable proportion of the annual changes, especially those including agricultural land uses, only contain few cells. These changes are most likely the result of imprecise mapping of input datasets (particularly for the field parcel maps), rather than actual changes. Therefore, LULC changes in continuous number of ≤ 8 cells or ≤ 0.5 ha are not accepted as land use conversion. This is in accordance with the 2006 IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006) and the elected Danish minimum forest definition (IRR, 2007). These areas are identified and the land use category for the previous year is copied to the new map as well. In 2018, a validation of the methodology was performed and reported in Johannsen et al. (2018). Results indicate a reasonably high accuracy of mapped land use categories for the assessed years. For a detailed description of the applied data and methods for the annual assessment, see Levin and Gyldenkærne (2023).

For the 2024 a minor update of the historical deforestation rate since 1990 has been implemented. Such changes are mainly the result of inaccuracies related to the forest mappings for the years 1990, 2005 and 2011, which were based on satellite imagery (Levin et al., 2014).

6.2.3 Overall LULC changes

Figure 6.2 shows the mapped land categories for the year 2024. It is apparent from the map that the Danish land use is dominated by Cropland, which in 2024 accounted for approx. 64 % of the Danish terrestrial area. Forest land accounted for 15 %, and 13 % was covered by Settlement. Between 1990 and 2024, the dominant land use change has been a decrease in Cropland, which has mainly been converted to Forest land, Grassland, Wetland and Settlement. Table 6.5 summarises the matrix changes between land categories from 1990 to 2024. The rows note e.g. for Forest land that 529 715 ha that were forest in 1990 are still forest in 2024, whereas 10 420 ha of the 1990 Forest land have changed to Cropland. The columns no10 420te e.g. for Grassland that 2 467 ha have been converted from Forest land to Grassland from 1990 to 2024.

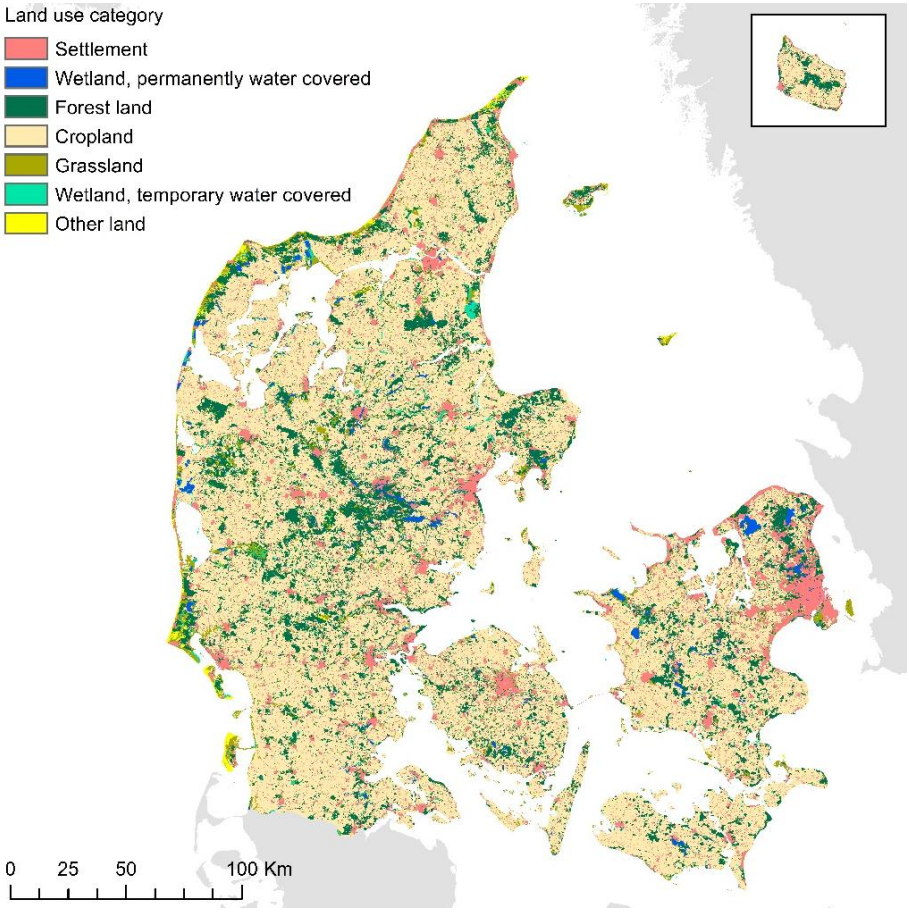


Figure 6.2 Land use in Denmark 2023, according to IPCC land use categories (Levin and Gyldenkærne, 2023).

Table 6.5 Registered changes in land categories in hectares from 1990 to 2024, hectare.

1990/2024	Forest land	Cropland	Grassland	Wetlands, periodically water covered	Wetlands, Lakes	Settlement	Other land	Total, 1990
Forest	522,842	10,420	2,467	49	303	2,777	0	538,859
Cropland	128,429	2,717,947	IE	8,740	4,600	54,269	0	2,913,985
Grassland	15,276	IE	188,181	8,288	2,707	7,297	0	221,748
Wetlands, periodically water covered	0	358	358	48,898	857	89	0	50,561
Wetlands, Lakes	75	39	41	0	59,218	119	0	59,493
Settlements	0	0	0	0	0	494,072	0	494,072
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	26,575	26,575
From Sea	0	0	42	0	2	494	0	538
Sum	666,622	2,728,764	191,090	65,975	67,687	559,117	26,575	4,305,829
Percentage %	15.5	63.4	4.4	1.5	1.6	13.0	0.6	100.0

Annex 3E (Annex 3E LULUCF) provides further visualisation of the development in land use in Denmark and the main land use changes occurring since 1960. This historical data dating back before the base year of 1990 is necessary to apply a 30-year transition period for all land conversion categories. Such data has been collected from Statistics Denmark where we have gone back to the earliest available data. That includes the forest censuses from 1881, 1888, 1896, 1907, 1923, 1931, 1951, 1965 and 1976. Combined with other statistical

land use data from Statistics Denmark, the 30-year transition period has been constructed allowing a linear interpolation for years between the data points.

6.2.4 Conversion between land use categories

When the land use of an area changes, it is registered as 'land converted to' instead of 'land remaining', and all related emissions of the change are registered in the 'land converted to' category.

When the land use of an area changes from one land-use category to another, the area will be under conversion ('land converted to') for a defined number of years before reaching the 'land remaining' classification of the new land use. The IPCC standard is a conversion period of 20 years. However, this was determined not to be applicable to the colder, Danish conditions with an average annual temperature of 8,7 °C (DMI, 2023). According to the soil organic carbon degradation rates of the soil C model C-TOOL (section 6.4.6), which is trained and applied on soils under conditions comparable to Denmark, approximately 50 % of the soil organic matter has half-lives of 20 years, adding to the argument of a longer conversion period. Therefore, the conversion period in the Danish inventory is set to 30 years, except for cases of afforestation. For afforestation a 100-year transition period is used, as research has shown it takes a long time to reach the new equilibrium state in the forest (Vesterdal et al., 2007). The full conversion period applies to mineral carbon stocks of soils for conversions to Forest land, Wetlands and Settlements. It is thereby assumed theoretically that the soil carbon will have reached its new equilibrium state after this time period. For Cropland and Grassland in agricultural use is carbon stock changes in mineral soils modelled with C-TOOL.

6.2.5 Carbon stock and change assessments

The estimation of the carbon stock as well as the emissions and/or removals of carbon (C) as CO_2 in the LULUCF is based on changes in the ecosystem C stocks within five defined C pools (six for forestry): above ground biomass (AGB), below ground biomass (BGB), dead wood, litter, dead organic matter (DOM), and soil organic carbon (SOC). AGB and BGB constitute the reported living biomass, while dead wood and litter are reported only for Forest land. Dead organic matter (DOM) pool is reported for the remaining land use categories.

Land use conversions can result in a net gain of C or net losses of C. Whether a change from one land use type to another results in emissions or removals of C depends on the difference between the specific factors applied in the estimation of the specific C pool, which in turn depend on the involved land use categories and soil types. All changes in C pools are reported in the new land-use category ('land converted to'). If the C pools of the previous land use type was lower than the new one, the change will be a (positive) gain of C and hence removal/sink effect on the total emissions. If the C pools of the former land use category was higher, the change will result in a (negative) loss of C and act as an emission source. Following conversions, the living biomass of the previous land use category and potential DOM (in cases of deforestation), is lost as instant oxidation, and the C loss is reported in the new land use category only in the first year of conversion. Living biomass gain from the new land use category is reported annually. Soil C changes follow the previously stated land use conversion periods.

Gains of C in a land use category thus reflects biomass growth (removal of CO_2 from the atmosphere) or a transfer of C from the 'converted from' category. Losses reflect emissions of CO_2 due to decay, harvest, or transfer of C to another land use C pool. The specific values used for estimating the C stock in the different C pools and stock changes are presented in Table 6.15.

For carbon changes in mineral soils in Cropland Grassland with agricultural crops (the soil C turnover model with C-TOOL (Taghizadeh-Toosi et al., 2014b). All outcome from C-TOOL is reported under Cropland, although it also includes some areas included in Grassland category. Changes in mineral soils in Table 4.C is thus reported as IE.

Estimation of carbon stock changes in the Danish forests for the entire period of 1990-2024 is based on a combination of previous forest surveys (1990 – 2006) and the present National Forest Inventory (NFI) (2006 – now). See next section on Forest land for calculations on forest carbon stock changes.

In addition to the carbon pools mentioned above, the changes in the C pools related to burning of biomass and harvested wood products (HWP) are reported separately. HWP represents C stored in wood products for different amounts of time, depending on the product (IPCC, 2006). The methodology is presented in Section 6.14 on HWP.

6.2.5.1 Soil type classification

For inventory purposes, soils are divided into mineral and organic soils. The IPCC guidelines define organic soils as soils having > 12 % organic carbon (OC) in the topsoil. This definition is used in the forest sector for Forest land remaining Forest land (Section 6.3). For Cropland and Grassland, the definition from the Danish soil classification system from 1975 is applied (Madsen et al., 1992). Here organic soils are defined as soils having ≥ 6 % OC in the topsoil (0-30 cm), classified as JB11 (Madsen et al., 1992). The emission estimates here are based on a ground water table dependent emission function, See section 6.4.

The specific values used for estimating the C stock in the soils are presented with each land use category along the chapter.

6.3 Forest land

Forest land emissions and removals are covered by CRT 4A. The area reported under Forest land has increased since 1990 due to an intensive afforestation programme (Table 6.6). In the beginning of the 1990s, approximately 3 100 ha were afforested every year. Since 2020, 2 300 ha have on average been afforested per year. This has resulted in an increase in the forest area of ~120 000 ha during the period 1990-2024.

Mainly due to afforestation, the forest sector remains a net sink of carbon (Figure 6.), particularly due to the increase in the living biomass pool (on average 479 kt C yr^{-1} between 1990 and 2024) and the litter pool (on average 119 kt C yr^{-1} in the same period) (**Fejl! Henvisningskilde ikke fundet.**) on afforested areas. Deadwood is also a net sink of C, however of varying size over the years (**Fejl! Henvisningskilde ikke fundet.**). The amount of C stored in mineral forest soils has also increased between 1990 and 2024 (on average 85 kt C yr^{-1} in the period), however, organic soils still remain a net source of C in Forests.

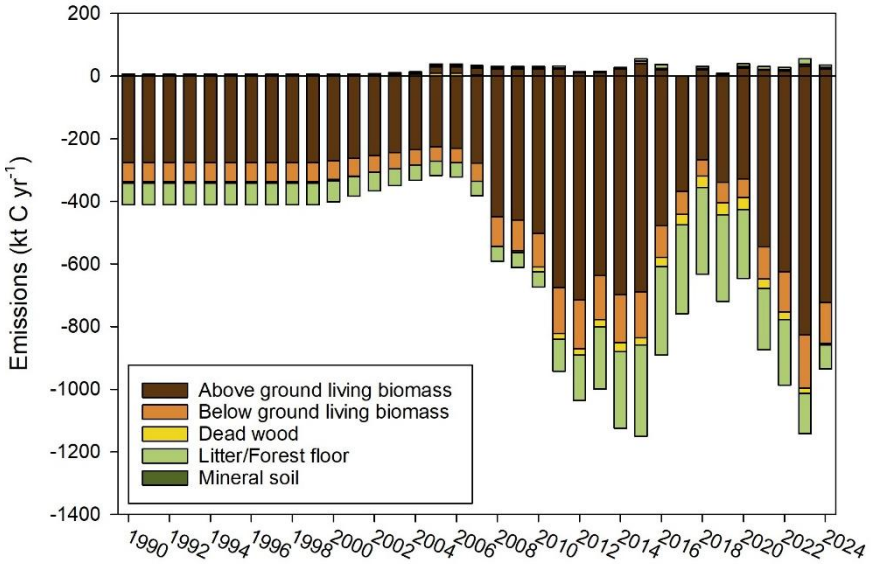


Figure 6.3 Emissions from forests 1990-2024. Positive values are emissions from deforestation. Negative values are sequestration in the forests.

Mineral soil organic carbon (SOC) for Forest land remaining Forest land is reported according to the "no source" principle. For carbon stock changes in mineral soils when land use change occurs, the broken stick approach is used for estimating the new equilibrium state. Denmark is general using a 30-year transition time, however for afforestation we used a 100-year transition time. For reporting purposes is the first 30 years of afforestation reported in land converted to forest (CRT 4.2) and the remaining 70 years are reported in Forest land remaining Forest land (CRT 4.1 see section 6.3.4. The emissions of other greenhouse gases than CO_2 from organic soils are small, corresponding to on average 14 kt of C per year over the period, slightly increasing over time due to rewetting of the organic soils in the forests.

Table 6.6 Total Forest area and annual emissions from 1990 to 2024 from Forest land.

	1990	2000	2010	2020	2022	2023	2024
Area, 1000 ha	546.2	591.2	636.6	659.4	665.8	666.4	666.6
Living biomass, kt C	-318.4	-323.0	-601.1	-377.6	-749.1	-990.4	-852.1
Litter, kt C	-68.6	-67.0	-49.0	-220.4	-208.8	-129.3	-75.9
Deadwood, kt C	-5.0	-4.8	-15.3	-38.1	-23.8	-16.1	-4.7
Mineral soil, kt C	-86.7	-84.4	-83.8	-87.2	-89.2	-90.0	-90.8
Organic soil, kt C	67.8	63.3	56.7	56.8	57.3	57.3	57.3
Total, kt C	-410.8	-416.0	-692.5	-666.5	-1013.5	-1168.5	-966.2
CH_4, kt CH_4	0.2	0.7	1.3	1.5	1.4	1.5	1.5
N_2O, kt N_2O	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
C, kt CO_2 equivalents	-1 506.4	-1 525.4	-2 539.2	-2 443.9	-3 716.3	-4 284.7	-3 542.9
CH_4, kt CO_2 equivalents	6.2	18.5	35.9	40.8	40.5	40.8	41.2
N_2O, kt CO_2 equivalents	29.1	26.2	22.8	22.1	22.2	22.2	22.1
Total, kt CO_2 equivalents	-1 471.1	-1 480.8	-2 480.5	-2 381.0	-3 653.6	-4 221.7	-3 479.6

6.3.1 National forest statistics

6.3.1.1 National Forest Census (1881-2000)

From 1881 to 2000, national forest statistics were based on the National Forest Census carried out roughly every 10 years based on questionnaires sent to forest owners (e.g., Larsen and Johannsen, 2002). The basic definition of forest was that the tree-covered area should be minimum 0.5 ha to be considered a forest. There were no specific guidelines as to crown cover or the potential height of the trees. Open woodlands and open areas within the forest (temporarily unstocked areas excepted) were generally not included. Since the data

were based on questionnaires and not field observations, the actual forest definition may have varied.

Forest owners reported the forest area and its distribution to tree species (or tree species groups) and 10-year age classes. Calculations of forest growing stock and forest carbon was based on the age class distribution, expected site class, and a set of forest growth models (yield tables) such as Møller (1933).

6.3.1.2 National Forest Inventory (NFI) 2002-2023

In 2002, a sample-based National Forest Inventory (NFI, Nord-Larsen and Johannsen, 2016) was developed at Forest and Landscape research (now Department of Geosciences and Natural Resource Management (IGN) at University of Copenhagen), which replaced the National Forest Census. The forest definition adopted by the NFI was identical to the definition used by the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO, 2010, Annex 2). It included wooded areas larger than 0.5 ha and wider than 20 m, that *in situ* are able to form a forest with trees with a height of at least 5 m and crown cover of at least 10 %. Temporarily unstocked areas, firebreaks, and other small open areas that are an integrated part of the forest were also included. The temporarily unstocked areas caused by e.g. clear cutting and windthrow and are generally required to be reforested within a 10-year period according to the Danish Forest Act. It is part of standard forest management in Danish forestry to perform clear cutting. The forest area consistently included these unstocked areas, ensuring consistency over time for the stock change method. In the latest publication on forest statistics (Nord-Larsen et al., 2025), the temporarily unstocked and auxiliary areas each made up 2 % of the total forest area.

The Danish NFI conducted during 2002-2023 was a continuous sample-based inventory with partial replacement of sample plots based on a 2 × 2 km grid covering the Danish land surface. In each grid cell, a cluster of four circular plots (primary sampling unit, PSU) were placed in the corners of a 200 × 200 m square (Figure 6.). Each circular plot (secondary sampling unit, SSU) had a radius of 15 m. When plots were intersected by different land-use classes or different forest stands, the individual plot was divided into tertiary sampling units (TSU). The design of the inventory was similar to national forest inventories in other countries, such as Sweden and Norway.

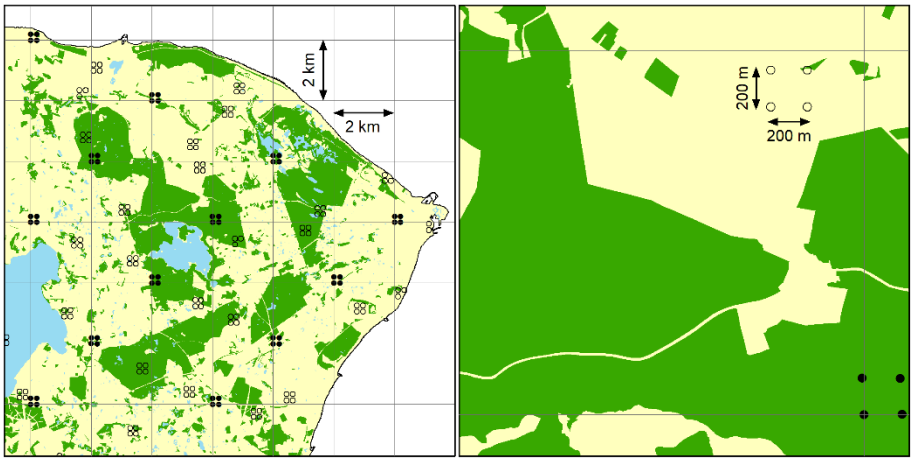


Figure 6.4 Design of the Danish National Forest Inventory 2002-2023 (Nord-Larsen and Johannsen, 2016). Filled circles represent permanent sample plots (~1/3 of the total sample) while open circles represent temperate sample plots (~2/3 of the sample).

The sample of clusters were systematically divided into five non-overlapping, geographically interpenetrating panels. The clusters within each panel were measured in one of the five years that constitute the inventory cycle (Table 6.7). One third of the clusters were assigned to be permanent and were re-measured in each measurement cycle. Two thirds of the clusters were temporary and their position within the 2 × 2 km grid cell was shifted at random within their 2 × 2 km cell at each repetition of the inventory cycle. A detailed description of the Danish NFI 2002-2023 is presented in Nord-Larsen and Johannsen (2016).

The sample design yielded a total of ~43 000 sample plots (one per sq. km land area) located within ~11 000 clusters. Each year, prior to the measurement season, sample plots within the panel to be measured in that particular year were overlayed with the most recent aerial photographs (0-2 years old) and manually classified according to their likelihood of having forest cover. All plots within clusters where a plot had been identified as likely to have forest cover were visited and measured in the field. In the most recent five-year rotation of the NFI (2019-2023), 4 393 clusters (PSU's) were identified with probable forest cover corresponding to 9 753 sample plots (SSU's) (Table 6.). Please note that although there were four sample plots in each cluster, the actual number was often less when part of the cluster is outside the land area, which is why the average number of plots per cluster is less than four.

Table 6.7 Number of clusters and total and measured sample plots in the five-year rotation 2019-2023 (Nord-Larsen et al., 2025). PSU: Primary Sampling Unit, SSU: Secondary Sampling Unit.

Year	Clusters		Sample plots	
	Total	Forest	Total	Measured
2019	2 186	844	8 597	1 896
2020	2 190	887	8 569	1 886
2021	2 175	883	8 528	1 951
2022	2 207	879	8 643	1 942
2023	2 181	900	8 578	2 078
Total	10 949	4 393	42 915	9 753

6.3.1.3 National Forest Inventory (2024-)

As of January 1st, 2024, the Danish Environmental Protection Agency (now: Agency for Green Transition) decided to take over the responsibility for carrying out field work and conducting calculations and analyses related to the National Forest Inventory previously conducted by IGN at University of Copenhagen. Albeit the overall measurement protocol was maintained, the breath of data obtained was reduced markedly and the change resulted in downstream changes to the scientific basis, sampling design, and measurements of the NFI impacting the forest carbon emissions reporting.

Measurements related to this reporting were carried out during November 2024 to March 20205, marking a shift from earlier reporting in which measurements were carried out mainly during the growing season May – October. In this first year, the number of sample plots measured was reduced from an average of 880 clusters and 1950 sample plots to 350 clusters and 761 sample plots, corresponding to a reduction of more than 60 % of previous measurement years. The measurements did not include permanent sample plots previously measured for assessing growth and transitions over time.

Important to this reporting, owing to unforeseen difficulties for the Agency for Green Transition in making consistent calculations based on the data collected during the early 2025, estimates based on National Forest Inventory data were not used in the national reporting, which was instead based on a forest carbon projections made for the Ministry of Climate in the spring 2025 using the 2019-2023 cycle as baseline (see following section).

6.3.1.4 Forest carbon projection

The report Forest Carbon Pool Projections 2025 (Nord-Larsen et al. 2025) presented long-term projections of carbon stocks and carbon stock changes in Danish forests and was designed specifically to support analyses on the effect of the Green Tri-Partite Agreement on forest emissions. The analysis was based on a modelling framework that links detailed national forest inventory data with a dynamic forest growth and management model, allowing Denmark to estimate future forest-related carbon removals and emissions in a way that is consistent with international reporting requirements.

Methodologically, the study applied the EFISCEN-Space model (Schelhaas et al. 2022), a spatially explicit forest simulation model that projects forest development over time under different management and afforestation scenarios. The model was initialized using data from the Danish National Forest Inventory, which provides statistically representative measurements of forest area, species composition, age structure, biomass, deadwood and litter. EFISCEN-Space simulated processes such as tree growth, mortality, regeneration and harvesting, and translates these dynamics into changes in forest carbon pools, including above- and below-ground biomass, deadwood and litter. The modelling framework allowed assumptions about future forest management practices and planned afforestation as part of the Green Tri-Partite Agreement, hereby simulating expected forest development (Regeringen, 2024).

In the absence estimates, the work provided here is the best possible estimates of forest development, based on most recent available inventory data and best possible knowledge on the development in forest area related to agreed-upon policies for the development of the forest area.

6.3.2 Forest area mapping

Owing to the change in methodology from forest census to forest inventory and developments in available cadastral information, forest area estimates, and the underlying procedures have changed over time. With the objective to obtain accurate as well as time consistent estimates of forest areas to be reported to the UNFCCC, two projects were carried out to map the forest area in Denmark based on satellite images for the years 1990, 2005 and 2011.

A land use/land cover map was produced for the base year 1990 and 2005 based on satellite derived information from EO Data Science (23 August 1990), cartographic maps from 1992-2005, and, for 2005, NFI in situ data. Forest maps were developed using satellite imagery – mainly Landsat 5 (Thematic Mapper) and Landsat 7 (ETM+) data – to classify and estimate the area of different forest cover types in Denmark (Prins, 2009). The seven scenes covering the whole country were classified into forest and non-forest classes. The approach involved the integration of field-based sampling, image processing and estimation. A detailed QA/QC process was conducted in 2011/2012.

Similar maps for 2011 were produced in 2012 using multi-spectral and multi-temporal Landsat data from June 2010 and April 2011 with a spatial pixel

resolution of 30 m. Except for the island of Bornholm, none of the scenes were cloud-free. So, to obtain a national forest cover map without gaps, the forest cover map of some minor areas was solely based on one image. The final product is specified by a Minimum Mapping Unit of 0.5 ha, a geometric root mean squared accuracy of < 15 m and a thematic accuracy of 90 % ± 5 % for the land use class Forest land.

The forest area estimates obtained from the various mapping efforts was incorporated into the overall land use change matrices as described in Section 6.2.2. In particular, the forest area mapping obtained from remote sensing was combined with cadastral information from field parcel maps etc.

6.3.3 Estimation of carbon pools and emissions from biomass and litter

The emissions associated with living and dead biomass as well as litter are calculated by use of the stock change method and are as such assessed as the difference between carbon stocks from consecutive inventories. In the following, the general procedures for estimating the forest carbon pools of living and dead biomass and litter based on national forest inventory data up until 2023 are described. For a more detailed description of the calculation of carbon pools, including specific formulas, readers are referred to Nord-Larsen and Johannsen (2016).

6.3.3.1 Forest area

Prior to the national forest inventory, forest area estimates were based on forest census data and later revisions based om satellite imagery in 1990, 2005, and 2011 (6.3.2 Forest area mapping).

In 2005-2023, the forest area estimate was based on national forest inventory data. Based on an analysis of the most recent aerial photos (Kortforsyningen, 2025), each NFI sample plot (SSU) was allocated to one of three forest status categories, reflecting the likelihood of the presence of forest or other wooded land in the plot: (0) Unlikely to be covered by forest or other wooded land, (1) Likely to be covered by forest, and (2) Likely to be covered by other wooded land. All NFI sample plots within clusters (PSU) with one or more SSU belonging to (1) or (2) are inventoried in the field.

In the Danish NFI, the land use was identified for each field inventoried plot. In cases where the plot is intersected by different land uses, the plot is split into more sub-plots and the area for each sub-plot is calculated. The overall forest cover fraction is calculated as the sum of the forest covered plot area divided by the total sample plot area. In this calculation, the forest area in plots belonging to the forest status category (0) (Unlikely to be covered by forest), which were not inventoried in the field, is assumed to be zero. In the early years of the NFI, not all sample plots were inventoried due to insufficient resources. Furthermore, every year, some plots are inaccessible due to infrastructure, water, or dangerous conditions on the site (e.g. leaning trees after wind throw). The estimated forest area in un-inventoried plots belonging to forest status categories (1) or (2) equals the average forest cover of the area of the inventoried plots belonging to forest status categories (1) or (2), respectively. The total national forest area was calculated as the average area fraction with forest cover of the sample plots with forest status categories (0), (1), and (2) times the total land area of Denmark.

According to the guidelines, reporting separates forest remaining forest (FRF) and afforestation (AF). The distribution of the area between Forest land

remaining Forest land and land converted to forest is based on a afforestation rates since 1961, see section 6.2.

In accordance with the definition, afforested areas that become older than 30 years are each year transferred from AF to FRF, which yields an increasing area of FRF for the period 1990-2024. The area in forest <30 years increased up until 2005 and has been decreasing since owing to afforestation being less than previously and hence that the transfer of forest land to forest >30 years old is exceeding afforestation (Figure 6.5).

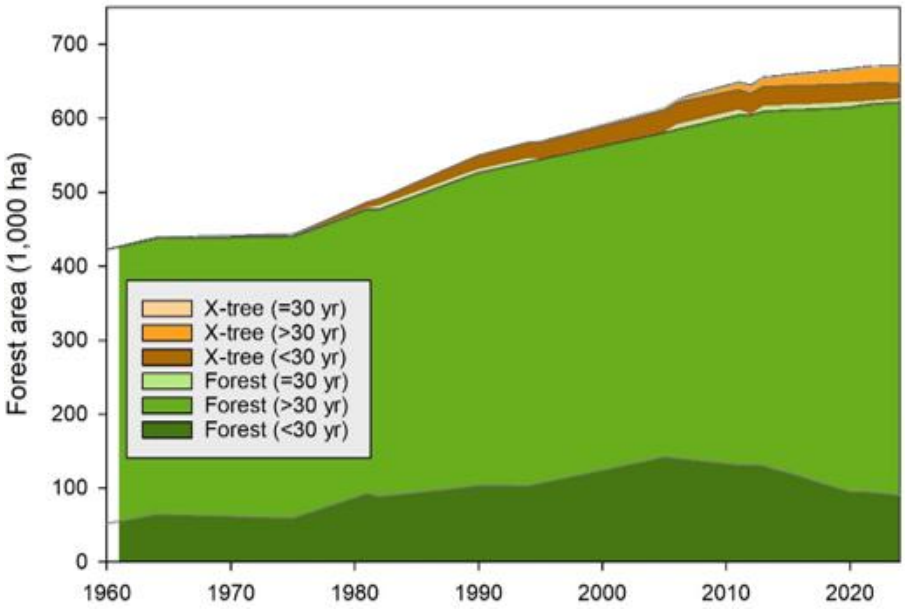


Figure 6.5 Forest area development from 1960-2024. Forest Remaining Forest includes afforestation 30 years of age or older. Afforestation includes afforestation younger than 30 years since the conversion from other land uses. X-tree is an abbreviation for Christmas trees.

6.3.3.2 Carbon pools of living biomass

The Danish reporting includes the living biomass of trees down to a breast height diameter of 0 cm. Measurements of trees are carried out within three concentric circles. All trees, irrespective of size, are measured within a 3.5 m

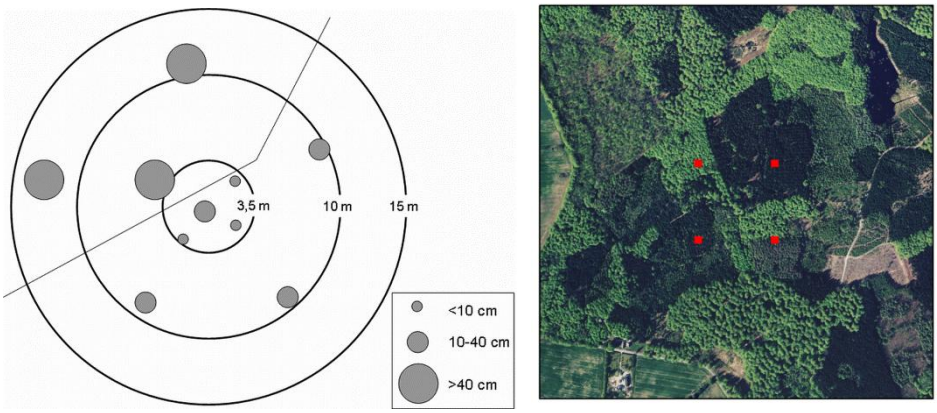


Figure 6.6 Measurements of trees in the Danish NFI (left) and assessment of forest cover prior to field measurements (right).

radius circle, only trees with a diameter at breast height larger than 10 cm are measured within a 10 m radius circle, and only trees with a diameter at breast height larger than 40 cm are measured within a 15 m radius circle (Figure 6.). Based on knowledge about the Danish forest management systems and

practices in combination with field observations, the contribution from other ground vegetation is assumed to be insignificant and is not measured.

Growing stock of living trees is calculated using species-specific individual stem (for conifers) and above-ground (for broadleaves) volume functions developed for the most common Danish forest tree species (e.g., Madsen, 1987; Madsen, 1987; Madsen & Heusèrr, 1993). The functions use individual tree diameter and height as well as quadratic mean diameter of the forest stand as independent predictor variables. The general form of the volume functions can be found in Nord-Larsen and Johannsen (2016).

Biomass and carbon stocks are calculated using species-specific individual tree biomass models developed for the most common forest tree species in Denmark, using tree diameter at breast height and total tree height as independent predictor variables (Nord-Larsen et al., 2017). The biomass models have the general form:

$$\hat{B}_{stem,i} = \alpha_0(dbh_i \cdot 1000)^{\alpha_1}(h_i - 0.3)^{\alpha_2} + \varepsilon_{stem,i}$$

$$\hat{B}_{crown,i} = \beta_0(dbh_i \cdot 1000)^{\beta_1}(h_i - 0.3)^{\beta_2} + \varepsilon_{crown,i}$$

$$\hat{B}_{roots,i} = \gamma_0(dbh_i \cdot 1000)^{\gamma_1}(h_i - 0.3)^{\gamma_2} + \varepsilon_{roots,i}$$

$$\hat{B}_{ag,i} = \alpha_0(dbh_i \cdot 1000)^{\alpha_1}(h_i - 0.3)^{\alpha_2} + \beta_0(dbh_i \cdot 1000)^{\beta_1}(h_i - 0.3)^{\beta_2} + \varepsilon_{ag,i}$$

$$\hat{B}_{tree,i} = \alpha_0(dbh_i \cdot 1000)^{\alpha_1}(h_i - 0.3)^{\alpha_2} + \beta_0(dbh_i \cdot 1000)^{\beta_1}(h_i - 0.3)^{\beta_2} + \gamma_0(dbh_i \cdot 1000)^{\gamma_1}(h_i - 0.3)^{\gamma_2} + \varepsilon_{tree,i}$$

where $\hat{B}_{.,i}$ is the biomass estimate in kg for a given fraction of the tree predicted from diameter measured at breast heigh (dbh in m) and total tree height (h in m) with the residual error ε. Parameter estimates (α, β, and γ) are found in Nord-Larsen et al. (2017).

For species where no biomass function is available, above ground biomass is calculated as the stem or total above ground volume times mean basic density, based on studies such as e.g., Skovsgaard et al. (2011), Skovsgaard and Nord-Larsen (2012), and Moltesen (1988) (Table 6.8). The stem biomass is subsequently expanded to below and above ground biomass by use of dynamic expansion functions for tree species with similar phenology (Skovsgaard et al., 2011, Skovsgaard and Nord-Larsen, 2012, Nord-Larsen and Nielsen, 2015). The expansion factor functions had the general form of:

$$BEF_{.,i} = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 \frac{1}{D_{g,i}} + \alpha_2 D_{g,i} + \alpha_3 dbh_i + \varepsilon_i$$

where $BEF_{.,i}$ is the biomass expansion factor from stem biomass to above ground or total tree biomass based on stand quadratic diameter (D_g) and tree diameter at breast height (dbh) with the residual error ε. The corresponding parameter estimates ($\alpha_0 - \alpha_3$) for different tree species may be found in the referenced publications.

National individual tree volume and biomass functions are available for beech, oak, ash, silver fir, Norway spruce, grand fir, Douglas fir, Sitka spruce, and Japanese larch. This means that species-specific national volume and biomass models are applied for 57 % of the forest area and 73 % of the total standing volume. For the remaining species, models for beech (Skovsgaard &

Nord-Larsen, 2012) and Norway spruce (Skovsgaard et al., 2011) are applied to broadleaves and conifers, respectively. Potential bias due to this assumption has not been tested systematically, but based on occasional calculations, no bias of biomass or carbon estimates are expected.

Average carbon pools ($\bar{C}$) are obtained by first calculating average pools within the three concentric circles (3.5, 10 and 15 m radius) and subsequent summation of those average pools:

$$\bar{C} = \sum_c \frac{\sum_{j=1}^{n} C_{c,j}}{\sum_{j=1}^{n} A_{c,j}},$$

where n denotes the number of sample plots and, $C_{c,j}$the carbon pool within the j'th sample plot and c'th circle (3.5, 10, and 15 m radius), and A the plot area.

Total carbon stocks are estimated from the calculated average stocks per hectare on the inventoried NFI plots times the total forest area. The total growing stock, biomass or carbon stocks with a given characteristic are estimated as the sum of the stocks on the plots with the particular characteristic divided by the total inventoried plot area, times the total forest area. Biomass is converted to carbon using a concentration of 0.47 g C g^{-1} (see Nord-Larsen & Johannsen (2016) for details). For further info on Danish forest area, growing stocks, and forest carbon pools, see (Nord-Larsen et al. 2025).

Table 6.8 Species-specific mean basic densities from Moltesen (1988) applied to convert stem volume to stem biomass, except for basic densities for beech and Norway spruce that were estimated from the biomass functions of Skovsgaard and Nord-Larsen (2012).

Broadleaves	Basic density, tonnes m^{-3}	Conifers	Basic density, tonnes m^{-3}
Beech*	0.56	Norway spruce*	0.38
Oak	0.57	Sitka spruce	0.37
Ash	0.56	Other fir sp.	0.38
Sycamore	0.49	Other pine sp.	0.43
Other	0.56	Mountain pine	0.48
		Contorta fir	0.37
		Scots pine	0.43
		Nordmann fir	0.38
		Noble fir	0.38
		Other	0.38
		Douglas fir	0.41
		Larch sp.	0.45

6.3.3.3 Dead wood carbon pools

In the Danish reporting, deadwood includes standing, leaning, and lying dead trees as well as pieces of dead wood with a diameter larger than 10 cm. Fine woody debris <10 cm is included in the litter fraction. Stumps are not included in the dead wood carbon pool.

Carbon pools of standing and lying dead trees with their base inside the sample plots are calculated using the same individual tree volume and biomass functions as used for live trees using a top diameter limit of 10 cm. Carbon pools of lying dead tree parts, i.e., stem parts and broken off branches excluding lying dead trees with their base outside the sample plot are calculated as

the length of the dead wood piece times the cross-sectional area at the middle of the dead wood piece.

The volume is converted to biomass by multiplying the calculated volume with species-specific basic densities for fresh wood (Moltesen, 1988), a reduction factor (Nord-Larsen and Johannsen, 2016) to take account of the structural decay of the wood (decay class, registered in the field), and a carbon concentration of 0.47 g C g^{-1}.

Similar to live biomass, total dead wood biomass and carbon stocks are estimated by obtaining an estimate of average stocks per hectare on inventoried NFI plots times the overall forest area.

6.3.3.4 Litter carbon pools

In the Danish reporting, litter is understood as the organic layer above the surface of the mineral soil, including dead organic material <2 cm, but excluding ground floor living biomass of non-woody plants, mosses, lichens etc.

Forest floor depth is measured on all NFI plots as described in the NFI protocol (Knudsen et al., 2019). Carbon stocks are subsequently calculated by multiplying the forest floor depth with species-specific forest floor basic densities (Table 6.9) and a C concentration of 0.4 g C g^{-1}.

Table 6.9 Litter layer density in forest stands of different tree species (Vesterdal and Raulund-Rasmussen, 1998).

Broadleaves	Basic density, tonnes m^{-3}	Conifers	Basic density, tonnes m^{-3}
Beech	0.55	Norway spruce	1.09
Oak	0.36	Sitka spruce	0.86
Ash	0.55	Fir sp.	1.09
Sycamore	0.55	Pine sp.	0.79
Other	0.55	Other sp.	0.94

Under the national forest soil inventory 2019-2020 (SINKS2 project), new forest floor carbon density functions have been developed.

6.3.3.5 Christmas tree carbon pools

Christmas tree plantations are in the Danish National Forest Inventory, registered and measured using the same methodology as for forests as they meet the forest definition. The Christmas tree plantations occur on both old forest land and on areas formerly classified as Cropland. The areas used for Christmas tree production are often managed intensively compared to other forest and are also more commonly shifted to other types of land use. To accommodate the differences between Forest land and Christmas trees, the two are handled separately in the Danish reporting, but calculations are similar to those made for the forests.

6.3.3.6 Forest area dynamics influencing carbon estimates

Areas of forests with special management characteristics, such as clear cuts and other forest areas without crown cover, are also inventoried in the sample plots. The areas without crown cover are included in the estimates of both total forest area and their carbon pools, although with low-to-zero carbon stocks for living biomass. According to the Danish Forest Act, clear cut areas must be re-established with crown cover within 10 years. If this does not happen, a permanent change of land-use will be reported for inclusion in the

overall land use matrix. With rotation ages of 50-200 years of the Danish tree species, an average of approx. 1 % (around 6 000 ha) of the forest area is expected to be subject to regeneration each year, either as clear cuts or as removal of large trees in continuous cover forestry. Such fluctuations are directly included in the national estimates of carbon stocks and hence in their estimated changes over time.

A special issue arises when afforested areas are transferred to the Forest Remaining Forest category, i.e. at age 30 years which potentially alters the distribution between emissions from Afforestation and Forest Remaining Forest. Here, special focus is needed on the area and associated carbon stock transferred from the Afforestation category to the Forest Remaining Forest land category. This is required in order to assign the actual change to the afforestation including the growth/harvest/mortality of the last year, before transferring the carbon stock of the age class to the Forest Remaining Forest carbon stock. Therefore, the stock of the age class to be transferred remains in the afforestation until the end of the year (December 31) and is transferred by the beginning of the next year (January 1). This is done on an annual basis.

The principle is illustrated in Table 6. for time T1 and T2, one year apart. In the first part of the example, the forest area has increased by 2 ha from T1 to T2, but 10 ha are 30 years and are transferred to the Forest Remaining Forest.

Table 6.10 Forest area and average carbon stocks used in an example on the handling transfer of stock from Afforestation to Forest Remaining Forest.

Forest area by 1.1	T1 ha	T2	Stock density t CO_2 eqv./ha
Forest Remaining Forest (FRF)	100	100	75
Afforestation of age 30-2	7	2	10
Afforestation of age 30-1	10	7	11
Afforestation of age 30	14	10	12
Afforestation of age 30+1	8	14	13
Afforestation of age 30+2		8	14
Total FRF	122	132	
Total forest area	139	141	

The changes in area and stock density lead to the development in stocks expressed in Table 6.11 (note equilibrium stock is assumed on the remaining forest land area). A raw estimate of FRF stock change T1-T2 would be 7 914 - 7 722 = 142 t CO_2 eqv. But much of this is however not expressing real growth but merely the transfer of 10 ha with 120 t CO_2 eqv. from the Afforestation to FRF. The real stock change on the FRF area is therefore merely 142-120=22 t CO_2 eqv. or the sum of change in FRF (0) and in carbon pools moving from age 30 to 30+1 and from age 30+1 to 30+2, i.e. (182-168)+(112-104) = 22 t CO_2 eqv.

For the Afforestation area, the raw estimate of stock change T1-T2 would be (20+77)-(70+110) = -83 t CO_2 eqv. However, again, much of this is caused by the transfer of area rather than an actual change in carbon stocks on the afforested area. Hence, the Afforestation at age 30 (120 t CO_2 eqv.) needs to be added, as the growth occurred before the transfer to the FRF pool, resulting in a real stock change for the Afforestation of -83+120= 37 t CO_2 eqv. The overall change of the stock T1-T2 in the full forest area is then 22+37=59 t CO_2 eqv., consistent with the overall change.

This principle is applied in the reporting of the Danish forest carbon pools to address the significant influence of the afforestation on the overall stock change in the Danish forest area.

Table 6.11 Principle for handling transfer of stock from Afforestation to Forest Remaining Forest.

Carbon stocks by 1.1	T1	T2	Change
	(t CO_2 eqv.)		
Forest Remaining Forest (FRF)	7 500	7 500	0
Afforestation of age 30-2	70	20	-50
Afforestation of age 30-1	110	77	-33
Afforestation of age 30	168	120	-48
Afforestation of age 30+1	104	182	78
Afforestation of age 30+2	0	112	112
Total FRF	7 772	7 914	142
Stock in the full area	7 952	8 011	59

Although the design of the NFI allows annual estimates of emissions, such approach would require using only one year data from the NFI, resulting in larger uncertainties, or accepting a 4/5 overlap of the data used for the consecutive carbon pool estimates. Instead, the reporting is based on the average emissions between two subsequent NFI rotations 5 years apart with no overlap of observation years. This ensures the focus on robust estimates of change from the forest area. This applies to both Forest Remaining Forest, and the afforested area.

6.3.4 Estimation of carbon pools and emissions from soil

In the following, the general procedures for estimating carbon pools and emissions from forest soils (depth 0-100 cm) are described, as well as some aspects regarding forest floor carbon. For a more detailed description of the calculations, including specific formulas, readers are referred to Nord-Larsen and Johannsen (2016).

6.3.4.1 The national forest soil inventory

Denmark report on forests soils according to the "no source" principle, i.e., it must be documented that forest soils are not a source for emissions of CO_2, i.e., that there is no detectable depletion of soil carbon. According to the 2006 IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006), the necessary documentation may come from various information sources such as:

- Representative and verifiable sampling and data analysis to show that the pool has not decreased.
- Reasoning based on sound knowledge of likely system responses.
- Surveys of peer-reviewed literature for the activity, ecosystem type, region, and pool in question.
- Combined methods.

The first documentation that Danish forest soils are not an overlooked source of CO_2 emissions was based on a survey of literature and reasoning based on general knowledge on ecosystem functioning. From such information, as well as knowledge on forest management practices in Denmark, it was concluded that there is little evidence that the SOC pool on mineral soil in Forest Remaining Forest would be changing to an extent that would be detectable in a decadal time perspective.

In order to strengthen the evidence, a representative forest soil inventory was initiated in 2007 under the project "SINKS", in order to verify the preliminary conclusions.

Under the SINKS project, soil was sampled in the plots of two national grids, the so-called "Kvadratnet" (agricultural network, 7 × 7 km, 126 forest plots) and the NFI grid (2 × 2 km, 285 plots). Sampling from the "Kvadratnet" grid made comparison possible with SOC concentrations measured on soil samples obtained from 108 plots sampled within the grid in 1989-1990. This made it possible to test the difference between the SOC pool estimates obtained from achieved samples and the 2007-2010 sampling made in relation to the SINKS project.

Considering the forest structure in Denmark with many small forests (about 70 % of the forest estates are less than 5 ha), the "Kvadratnet" grid is coarse. Even fully sampled, it is unlikely that the 126 forest plots represent the Danish area of forests remaining forest of approximately 500 000 ha. This conclusion was further supported by power analyses, which suggested that further sampling would be necessary if a change should be detectable in two subsequent samplings. Hence, a subset of 285 permanent plots of the NFI grid were randomly selected and sampled. Sampling soils in the NFI grid makes it possible to analyse soil carbon estimates together with NFI based estimates on carbon in living biomass and deadwood, and other site and management variables.

A re-sampling of plots in both grids took place in 2019-2020 under the SINKS2 project, making it possible to expand the time series to three points in time for the "Kvadratnet" and two points in time for the NFI grid, making it possible to provide improved documentation if forest soils are a sink or a source of carbon, including assessment of the extent to which the statistical phenomena "regression-to-the-mean" influence potentially detected changes over time. In 2007-2010 and 2019-2020, there was a total of 124 and 126 forest plots in "Kvadratnet" grid of which 278 and 272 were sampled, respectively. The corresponding number of sampled NFI plots were 277 and 250 of the total number of 285.

The sampling of the "Kvadratnet" in 1990 took place at four depths: 0-25, 25-50, 50-75 and 75-100 cm. Forest floor was not sampled. In 2007, soil was sampled in 25 plots of the "Kvadratnet" under the European BIOSOIL monitoring programme (Vesterdal et al. 2005) at six depths: forest floor, 0-10, 10-20, 20-40, 40-80 and 80-100 cm, in agreement with European level BIOSOIL instructions. Other than this, the sampling in the remaining plots of the "Kvadratnet" grid and all the sampled plots of the NFI grids took place at six depths: forest floor, 0-10, 10-25, 25-50, 50-75 and 75-100 cm. When statistically testing the SOC changes for specific depths, estimates were processed to align by depth.

The methodology of the 2007-2010 inventory of the "Kvadratnet" is described in Callesen et al. (2015), including sampling, sample processing, laboratory analysis, calculation of SOC estimates, and statistical testing of changes over time. The same methodology was applied for the 2019-2020 inventory, except that a correction for laboratory bias between the two inventories was necessary, and new soil bulk density functions were applied, also to re-estimate plot SOC in the 1990 and 2007-2010 inventories.

The new bulk density functions were developed from measurements of soil samples collected in connection with the 2019-2020 inventory. The purpose

was to establish national functions for a larger range of soil carbon concentrations (0-50%). Previously applied soil bulk density equations from Vejre et al. (2003) were developed mainly based on Swedish and Finnish data with C concentrations in the range 0-10%. Densities for soil with higher C concentrations were previously estimated by use of a preliminary equation developed from old 1990 loss on ignition (LOI) measurements of 17 achieved samples from the "Kvadratnet". Additionally, the forest floor measurements from the 2007-2010 and 2019-2020 inventories were used to develop forest floor carbon density functions to replace limited experimental data on litter bulk densities (Table 6.4).

The methodology applied for the 2019-2020 inventory, including corrections for laboratory bias, and soil bulk density and forest floor carbon density functions is described in Stupak et al. (2024).

6.3.4.2 Forest area distribution to mineral and organic soil

Based on information from the NFI on presence of peat, the proportions of the forest area with mineral and organic forest soil were estimated to 95 % and 5 %, respectively. The data from both grids of the national forest soil inventory 2007-2010 verified these estimates, using the definition of organic soil as soil with a carbon concentration of at least 12 % organic carbon (OC) in the 0-25 cm soil layer below the O-horizon.

6.3.4.3 Carbon emissions from mineral forest soils in Forest Remaining Forest

Based on analyses of the 108 sites of the "Kvadratnet" grid, no overall changes in SOC stock were detectable in mineral soils in a depth of 0-100 cm between 1990 and 2007-2009, suggesting that mineral forest soil is not a source of CO_2 emissions (Callesen et al., 2015). However, the results were to some extent inconclusive, also because it was suspected that with data from only two points in time, regression-to-the-mean may have interfered with the assessment of real changes. The 2019-2020 sampling allows expanded analyses with three data points in time for the "Kvadratnet" grid and two data points for the NFI grid. The results from preliminary analyses still support the conclusion that there are no significant changes to national level estimates of forest soil carbon for the period 1990-2020 (Stupak et al., 2024).

From the data obtained in the 2007-2010 inventory, mineral soil C stocks in Forest land remaining Forest land were estimated at an average of 155 t C ha^{-1} to 1 m depth for soils with < 12 % C in the 0-25 cm layer, corresponding to 142 t C ha^{-1} in the mineral soil plus 13 t C ha^{-1} in the organic soil (Callesen et al. 2015). For organic soils > 12 %, it was estimated at an average of 500 t C ha^{-1}. These estimates were based on the full sampling from the "SINKS"-forest soil project, including data obtained from the "Kvadratnet" and NFI grids.

6.3.4.4 Carbon emissions from organic forest soils in Forest land remaining Forest land

A default carbon emission factor of 2.6 t C ha^{-1} per year from the 2013 IPCC Wetlands Supplement was used to calculate the CO_2 emissions from organic forest soils (IPCC, 2014). For Forest land, no emissions are reported for soils with 6-12 % OC in the at depth 0-25 cm.

6.3.4.5 Carbon emissions from wet and drained forest soils

The 2013 Wetlands Supplement (IPCC, 2014) introduced new soil categories including 'Mineral wet soils' and 'Mineral drained soils' (inland or coastal) in

addition to the formerly used 'Dry mineral soils' (IPCC, 2006). The areas with these two new soil categories are small in Danish forests and there is no information on activity data. No default emission factor was available, and hence, the emissions were set to zero.

A large proportion of the Danish forest area may be considered as drained in the sense that the natural hydrology has been modified by establishment of ditches. Large forest areas have been drained to enable establishment of forest in depressions, fens, and pond areas. As an example, a major state forest, Gribskov in Northern Zealand, established 564 km of ditches during the 19th century, with such activities continuing into the 20th century (Naturstyrelsen, 2024). In the 1980s, only 3.3 % of the area of wetlands was left compared to 20.8 % in the middle of the 1800s. Since the early 1990s, there has been an ongoing effort to restore wetland habitats in the state forests, and several drained areas have been restored by filling up ditches. In many places, the state forests ditches are no longer maintained and will be gradually more and more ineffective over time. This is a direct consequence of the strategic plan for the state forests to move their management towards Close to Nature Forest Management or unmanaged forest with a specific aim to restore natural hydrology in as many places as possible.

The temporal change in shares of area with drained and rewetted soils has been assessed based on trends in forest management (Table 6.12) focusing on the period 1990-2008 and based on expert assessment of observed trends in the past 20-30 years of active maintenance of pre-existing ditches in forests. Before 1990 and after 2008, the share of drained soils is considered constant in the reporting, with no assumed change in these shares as a consequence of ongoing afforestation or deforestation.

Table 6.12 Assumed changes in drained area over time for mineral and organic soils in forest, respectively.

Period	Mineral soil		Organic soil	
	Drained (ditched)	Undrained (not ditched)	Drained (ditched)	Undrained (not ditched)
1990–- 2008	65% - > 55% (0.5% points per year)	35% - > 45% (0.5 % points per year)	75%	25%
After 2008	55%	45%	50%	50%

The area of rewetted mineral and organic soil following the previously reported area and shares of ditched/not ditched is calculated for each year, with an assumed constant of 2.5 % of the area being ditches. This is supported by observations in the NFI data on occurrence of ditches. For each year, the area of drained forest area is compared to the maximum drained area previously reported.

6.3.4.6 Nitrous oxide and methane emissions from soil

The only soil category for which nitrous oxide emissions apply is 'organic soils, drained', and default emission values have been used. Measurements of nitrous oxide emissions from conditions applying for organic drained soils in Denmark are scarce or lacking. Danish measurements that apply to a hydromorphic, loamy soil were found to be 0.4 – 0.6 kg N_2O-N ha^{-1} per year (Christiansen et al., 2012a), which is similar to the low end of the uncertainty range given in the 2013 Wetlands Supplement value, Table 2.5 (IPCC 2014) (Table 6.13). The default value for organic soils, drained is 2.8 (range 0.57 – 6.1) kg

N_2O-N ha^{-1} y^{-1} (Table 2.5 in IPCC 2014, p. 2.33). Remaining soil categories do not apply since they are either too dry or too wet to produce nitrous oxide.

Based on an assumption that an equal share of rich and poor organic soils (for definition see IPCC, 2014) are being rewetted, an average of the emission factors for rich and poor rewetted organic soils is applied. We chose to keep the area of rewetted organic forest soils remains under the Forest land category instead of converting the land to Wetlands, since the actual changes in water level are unknown.

The applied emission factors for methane were also default values identified from IPCC (2014) (Table 6.11). Units vary between chapters in 2013 Wetlands Supplement (IPCC 2014), which was taken into account.

Table 6.13 Identified emission factors for methane and nitrous oxide in 2013 Wetlands Supplement (IPCC 2014) used in methane emission calculations. Table numbers refer to the 2013 Wetland Supplement (IPCC 2014).

CH_4 EF for organic drained forest soils	Table 2.3	kg CH_4 ha^{-1} yr^{-1}	2.5
CH_4 EF for ditches on organic drained soils	Table 2.4	kg CH_4 ha^{-1} yr^{-1}	217.0
CH_4 EF for organic rewetted poor soils	Table 3.3	kg CH_4-C ha^{-1} yr^{-1}	92.0
CH_4 EF for organic rewetted rich soils	Table 3.3	kg CH_4-C ha^{-1} yr^{-1}	216.0
CH_4 EF rewetted Inland Mineral Wetland Soils	Table 5.4	kg CH_4 ha^{-1} yr^{-1}	235.0
N_2O EF for organic drained forest oils	Table 2.5	kg N_2O-N^{-1} ha yr^{-1}	2.8
N_2O EF for ditches on organic drained soils		NO	
N_2O EF for organic rewetted poor soils		p.3.19 'negligible'	
N_2O EF for organic rewetted rich soils		p.3.19 'negligible'	
N_2O EF rewetted Inland Mineral Wetland Soils	No info in WS chap 5 IWMS	Assumed negligible	

In a Danish study of three forests in eastern Denmark on hydromorphic soils, the reported methane emissions were -0.08–- 3.2 kg CH_4 ha^{-1} yr^{-1} (Christiansen et al. 2012a; Christiansen et al. 2012b). The default value for drained organic soils seems reasonable until national estimates are better founded by more representative measurements. Since no water level measurements in ditches and rewetted soils are available, it is not possible to assess whether the 2013 Wetland Supplement (IPCC, 2014) default values for methane emissions apply to Danish conditions.

Emissions are calculated each year for organic drained and rewetted areas.

6.3.5 Land converted to forest

See Section 6.3.1-6.3.8 for information on approaches for estimation of carbon pools, change estimates and forest soil emissions. The definition of land converted to forest corresponds to the definition used for Forest land remaining Forest land (see Section 6.2) and the LULUCF categories used elsewhere.

6.3.5.1 Loss in living biomass carbon

When converting land to forest, the living above- and belowground biomass of the previous land use is assumed to be removed from the land. E.g. for Cropland converted to Forest land, a standard default values for a loss of 9 577 and 2 298 kg dry matter (DM) ha^{-1} is used for above- and belowground biomass, respectively. The applied value for aboveground biomass is the average annual harvest of living biomass for all cereals grown in Denmark from 2000 to 2010, including straw, stubble and glumes, based on data from

Statistics Denmark. For conversion from DM to carbon, a default concentration of 0.47 g C g^{-1} is used.

To account for the ground vegetation of grasses and herbs until crown closure, in the first 25 years of afforestation, an estimate of this is included, which corresponds to grasslands. In practice it is assumed that afforestation initially holds the same carbon pools of AGB and BGB as unmanaged grassland (Table 6.15). These pools will linearly decrease over a period of 25 years, reflecting the reduced light to ground vegetation from the increasing crown cover of the trees established in the afforestation. This is supported by a number of observations of afforestation, with data for both trees and grass vegetation.

6.3.5.2 Changes in soil carbon

Forest land remaining Forest land is generally reported as no-source. A default transition time for establishing a new equilibrium carbon stock state in mineral soils is expected to take 100 years compared to the default 30 years period used in all other land use conversions. The reporting of this new equilibrium state in the CRT tables has been divided into two. The first 30 years are reported in Table 4A.2 (Land converted to Forest land) and the latter 70 years are reported in Table 4A.1 under Forest land remaining Forest land, thus making mineral soils in Table 4A.1 a net sink. The afforested area between 1891 and 1990 has been established from the forest census data as well as assessments of historical aerial photographs dating back to the mid-1950'es. The full reported timeseries is provided in the supplementary information in Appendix 3.E.

Table 6.14 Default values for the amount of DM (dry matter, kg ha^{-1}) in living biomass and carbon in soil (0-100 cm, for soils with < 6% C at depth 0-25 cm) used for estimating carbon stock changes where land use conversions to forest take place.

		Dry matter (DM) kg DM ha^{-1}		Default C stock in mineral soil, t C ha^{-1}
		Above ground biomass	Below ground biomass	
Forest land				142[a]
Christmas trees		21 277	4 255	120.8[b]
Cropland		9 577	2 298	120.8
Grassland	Improved Grassland (Grazing land)	2 400[c]	6 720	125[d]
	Other grassland	2 200	6 160	125
Wetlands	Flooded Wetland			
	Peat extraction	0	0	NE
	Other Wetland	3 600	10 080	NE
Settlements		2 200	2 200	96.6[e]
Other land		0	0	NA

[a] Average of all forest mineral soils (<6 % OC, 262 plots in NFI and "Kvadratnet").
[b] Same as for Cropland.
[c] Based on the default AGB of 2 400 kg DM and an R:S factor of 2.8 (IPCC 2006, Table 6.4, Table 6.1).
[d] Restricted to soils with < 6 % OC.
[e] 80 % of the carbon stock in Cropland (IPCC, 2006 chapter 8.3.3.2).

6.3.5.3 Gains in living and dead biomass and litter carbon

As with Forest remaining Forest, Denmark applies the stock change method to calculated changes to carbon pools for afforestation areas, including both growth and harvesting in the overall estimation. The estimation of the different carbon pools was in 2005-2023 based on the methodology for the Danish NFI, as described above for the area of Forest remaining Forest, and in 2024 based on a projection of forest development.

The amount of carbon in biomass in forests younger than 30 years established has been assessed based on data from the latest NFI. This estimate reflects the composition of species and site types of the afforestation areas. Since there are no available data on the afforestation younger than 30 years back in time, the density in terms of carbon pools per ha estimated for 2019 are applied for all reporting years, taking into account the varying area. There have been variations in species and soil type composition back in time to 1961, as earlier afforestation had a higher proportion of conifers compared to later afforestation. Due to higher growth rates, conifer-dominated afforestation might thus have higher carbon densities than afforestation with larger proportions of broadleaves. However, a high proportion of the early conifer-dominated afforestation took place on poorer soils, while later broadleaf afforestation to a higher extent took place on more fertile soils. Hence, the effects of species and soil type on growth may to some extend have outbalanced each other over time. Changes in management mainly affect the forest carbon stocks after the age of 30, and hence, it is less relevant to consider management. In conclusion, the following estimates were applied for the average carbon pools of afforestation areas of age 0-30 years: Aboveground biomass 14.1 t C ha^{-1}, belowground biomass 3.2 t C ha^{-1}, dead wood 0.1 t C ha^{-1} and forest floor 6.4 t C ha^{-1} (Johannsen 2024).

Similarly, for the carbon pools in age class of 30 years, which are transferred from the afforestation area to the Forest remaining Forest area. These estimates are based on the average composition of the afforestation 1990-2019 but focusing only on the age class 30. It is assumed constant over the entire reporting period, as no more detailed information is available. These considerations result in applying the following estimates for the age class 30: Aboveground biomass 48.5 t C ha^{-1}, belowground biomass 9.7 t C ha^{-1}, dead wood 0.2 t C ha^{-1} and forest floor 6.9 t C ha^{-1}. For further details, see Schou et al. (2014), Johannsen (2019) and Johannsen (2024).

6.3.5.4 Gains in mineral soil carbon

Several previous national field-based studies (Vesterdal et al., 2002b, Vesterdal et al., 2002a, Vesterdal et al., 2007) do not suggest statistically significant changes in mineral soil carbon in the decades following afforestation. However, in the forest soil inventory 2007-2010, the SOC content in depth 0-100 cm in forest land remaining forest land was compared with estimated SOC in the same depth for mineral soils reported from a parallel project for cropland soils, for soils with < 6 % C in 0-25 cm. The average for cropland was 96.6 and 142 t C ha^{-1} for forest (Table 6.). This led to the conclusion that mineral soils should be considered small sinks of CO_2 following afforestation of former cropland. A 100-year transition period is applied, from the average initial SOC pool for cropland, i.e. 121 t C ha^{-1}, until a new steady-state is reached at the level of the average mineral SOC pool for forest, i.e. 142 t C ha^{-1}.

As mentioned above is the first 30 years of carbon stock changes in mineral soils reported in Table 4A.2 (Land converted to Forest land) and the remaining 70 years is reported in Table 4A.1.

6.3.6 Time series consistency

Danish national forest resource assessment has developed over the years from the earliest National Forest Census more than a century ago to the current NFI. The changes have affected the estimation of forest carbon pools in relation to LULUCF and thus time series consistency.

6.3.6.1 From forest census to forest inventory

Forest statistical data has since 1881 been collected in Denmark, first based on mapping and expert assessment and later through forest census based on questionnaires sent to forest owners. In the forest census, growing stock estimates were obtained from combining the distribution of forest area to regions, species, and age classes observed in the forest census with forest growth models (yield tables) for the most common Danish forest tree species.

In the 1990 National Forest Census, the number of questionnaires sent to respondents was 22 300. In the subsequent Census in 2000, the number of respondents increased to 32 300. This led to a substantial increase in estimated forest area, which is not possible to separate from the actual increase in forest area that occurred during that period of time, due to afforestation.

In 2002, the sample-based forest inventory substituted the previous forest censuses, for the first time enabling forest statistics based on direct measurements and forest definitions consistent with those of the FAO. When comparing estimates obtained from the forest census distribution to species- and age-classes, with those obtained from actual measurements in the National Forest Inventory it became clear that the growing stock was previously underestimated (Nord-Larsen et al., 2008). Hence, the change from the questionnaire-based forest censuses to sample-based forest inventories created a need to reconcile the two types of estimates, for consistency of the time series.

To obtain consistent estimates for the two data series, we combined satellite-based forest mapping (se 6.3.2), average carbon pools estimated from the National Forest Inventory data for the base-year 2010 (measurements obtained in 2006-2010) with the area distribution to tree species and regions obtained from the forest censuses carried out in 1951, 1965, 1976, 1990 and 2000 (Johannsen, 2024). Hereby, the average growing stocks estimated from actual measurements were scaled according to the known forest area distribution to regions and tree species from the forest censuses.

Specifically, the forest area mapping (Section 6.3.2.) summarized in the Land Use Matrix for the years 1990 and 2000 provided forest area estimates consistent with international definitions (Levin et al 2014) and slightly larger than areas reported by the forest census (Table 6.15). To provide carbon pool estimates consistent over time, accommodating the apparent differences in forest area definition, the additional forest area observed in the Land Use Matric is assumed to represent marginal forest areas, as they are not included in the Forest Census by Statistics Denmark. In the scaling up of the forest area reported by the Forest Census it is therefore assumed that the carbon pools for the area difference between forest census and the Land Use Matrix is 50 pct. of average carbon pools observed in the National Forest Inventory at base-year 2010. This can be summarized in a scaling factor (Table 6.15) as:

$$Scaling\ Factor = 1 + \frac{Area_{LUM} - Area_{FC}}{2 \times Area_{FC}}$$

where $Area_{LUM}$ and $Area_{FC}$ are the forest area from the Land Use Matrix (LUM) and the Forest Census (FC), respectively, excluding unstocked area, as this is not expected to contribute to the carbon pools assessed here related to living and dead biomass and forest floor.

Table 6.15 Scaling factor to estimate carbon pools for the entire mapped forest area in 1990 and 2000.

	Forest census	Land use matrix	Scaling factor
	Forest covered area (kha)		
1990	411	511	1.12
2000	468	569	1.11

6.3.6.2 From sample-based statistics to forest carbon projections

The 2024 change in responsibility for conducting field measurements and making calculations and analyses in relation to the Danish National Forest Inventory resulted in a change in the forest sampling and measurements that results in time-series inconsistencies. The change furthermore resulted in a reduction in the Tier-level of the reporting of all forest carbon pools owing to the Agency for Green Transitions inability to provide consistent estimates of forest carbon pools, necessitating the use of forest projections rather than actual measurements as foundation for the reporting.

Collectively, this raises serious concerns on the ability of Denmark to provide consistent and accurate data for future reporting including Denmark's ability to further develop the inventory with aim of improving emissions reporting for forests. In the following, we address some of the main concerns related to the Danish National Forest Inventory with respect to the consistency of emissions reporting.

Integrity and transparency in carbon accounting

With the 2024 change, execution of the national forest inventory, was transferred from an independent university to a government agency. A central concern is the potential loss of integrity in forest carbon emissions reporting arising from changes in institutional responsibility and data governance. Robust greenhouse-gas reporting depends on a clear separation between data collection, scientific analysis, and policy implementation. When these functions are consolidated within a single authority responsible for climate policy delivery, the perceived and actual independence of reported estimates may be weakened. This poses risks to transparency, reproducibility, and international credibility of reported forest carbon balances, particularly within the LULUCF sector.

Insufficient capacity for advanced carbon calculations

In relation to the 2024 emissions reporting, consistent estimates to previous reporting were not provided by the Agency for Green Transition to be included in the emissions reporting. This raises a concern that the Agency for Green Transition does not currently possess sufficient in-house scientific capacity to independently conduct the complex analyses required for forest carbon emissions reporting. These include biomass estimation, carbon stock change calculations, uncertainty propagation, and consistency checks across reporting years. Without sustained access to specialized expertise in forest ecology, biometrics, and carbon modelling, there is a heightened risk of methodological simplification, increased uncertainty, and reduced robustness of national greenhouse-gas inventories.

Insufficient scientific co-development and integration of remote sensing

Technical developments including remote sensing technologies offer substantial potential to improve spatial resolution and coverage in forest carbon accounting. Owing to the close connection between inventory and science at University of Copenhagen, such potentials have previously been realized in

the development of field methods, forest resource maps, and tools for the statistical inference in relation to precision of realized estimates (Magnussen & Nord-Karsen 2021; Magnussen et al. 2018; Nord-Larsen et al. 2017; Oehmcke et al. 2024). However, higher accuracy cannot be achieved without close scientific co-development between field measurements, remote sensing products, and ecosystem models. Without robust calibration and validation against statistically sound field data, remote sensing risks being applied as a substitute rather than a complement, thereby limiting its contribution to uncertainty reduction and Tier progression.

Time-series inconsistency due to changes in measurement protocols

A critical concern is the inconsistency in forest carbon time series resulting from recent changes in measurement protocols

Seasonal shift in measurements: After the 2024 change in execution of the National Forest Inventory, field measurements were conducted during winter, in contrast to previous measurements that were carried out during the growing season (May-October). This introduces systematic differences in observable variables (e.g. foliage, ground vegetation, tree condition) that complicate direct comparison across years and risk introducing bias into carbon stock change estimates.

Discontinuation of permanent sample plots: In the winter 2024/2025, the Agency for Green Transition elected not to remeasure permanent sample plots as part of the inventory. The absence of measurements on permanent plots eliminates the empirical basis for tracking growth, harvest, and mortality and transitions over time. This severely constrains the ability to produce scientifically sound forest carbon projections, such as those previously delivered to the Ministry of Climate, and undermines consistency with IPCC-recommended methods. It is expected that the intention will be to remeasure some of the permanent sample plots in subsequent years, but it is unknown to what extent.

Reduction in sampling intensity: The number of plots measured as part of the national forest inventory was in the winter 2024/2025 reduced by approximately 60 percent of the previously measured sample. Whether the reduction is permanent for future measurement cycles is unknown, but the reduction substantially increases statistical uncertainty. Based on established sampling theory, this reduction is likely to increase uncertainty in forest carbon stock estimates by more than 60 percent. The effect on emissions estimates (i.e. differences between pools) depends on the covariance of plot estimates but will be substantial, directly weakening the precision and reliability of reported emissions and removals.

Limited scientific progression towards Tier 3 reporting

Collectively, the changes brought about by the 2024 shift in execution of the national forest inventory has introduced structural breaks in the time series, reduced comparability with historical data, and complicated compliance with IPCC principles of consistency, comparability, transparency, and accuracy. This emphasized a concern for the lack of continued scientific development towards Tier 3 reporting, as defined by the IPCC Guidelines. Tier 3 methodologies require long-term, statistically representative field data, permanent sample plots, country-specific models, and continuous methodological refinement. Reductions or discontinuities in systematic field-based monitoring fundamentally constrain the ability to develop, validate, and maintain such

advanced approaches. As a result, the national forest carbon inventory risks stagnation at lower Tier levels, limiting sensitivity to management changes and weakening documentation of mitigation effects in forest ecosystems.

6.3.6.3 Overall forest development

The overall development shows an increasing forest area since 1951, with the total carbon stock of living biomass and forest floor increasing correspondingly (**Fejl! Henvisningskilde ikke fundet.**).

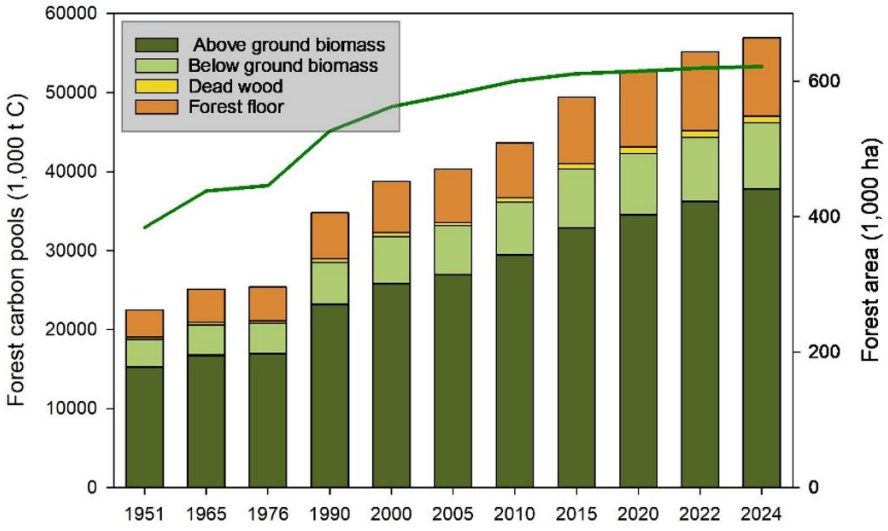


Figure 6.7 Forest carbon stock (left axis) and forest area (right axis) from 1951 – 2023. Based on National Forest Census data for 1951 – 2000 and the National Forest Inventory) data for 2006 – 2023.

6.3.7 Uncertainty

In a statistical sense, the Danish NFI has a cluster design with unequal cluster size. The estimation of carbon stocks is therefore associated with a statistical uncertainty. Design-based estimators of uncertainty are available for such designs, but the Danish NFI design is further characterised by the partitioning of sample plots and unequal representation of different tree sizes within the circular sample plots. Considering the nature of the design, derivation of an analytical uncertainty estimators may be a dubious undertaking. Hence, Tier 1 uncertainty estimates were applied (Table 6.1).

Table 6.16 Tier 1 estimates of the uncertainty for forests.

		Emission/sink kt CO_2 eqv.		Activity data	Emission factor	Combined uncertainty	Total, uncertainty	Uncertainty, 95 %
		1990	2024	%	%	%	%	kt CO_2 eqv.
4.A Forests		-1 500.3	-3 508,8				216.2	514.9
4.A.1 Forest land remaining forest land, Living biomass	CO_2	-216.9	-2 173,.6	5	2	5.3	5.3	115.7
4.A.1 Forest land remaining forest land, Dead organic matter	CO_2	-115.4	-146.1	5	3	6.0	6.0	8.7
4.A.1 Forest land remaining forest land, Mineral soils	CO_2	-250.7	-272.8	5	50	50.2	50.2	137.1
4.A.1 Forest land remaining forest land, Organic soils	CO_2	151.6	141.5	10	50	51.0	51.0	72.1
4.A.2 Land converted to forest land	CO_2	-1 075.5	-1 098.9	10	8	13.1	13.1	143.9
4(II) A. Forest land, organic soils	CH_4	5.5	41.2	10	90	90.6	90.6	37.3
4(V) Biomass Burning, Forest	CH_4	0.7	0.0	10	30	31.6	0.0	0.0
4(V) Biomass burning, Forest	N_2O	0.4	0.0	10	30	31.6	0.0	0.0
4(II) Drainage and rewetting, Forest soils	N_2O	28.7	22.1	10	50	51.0	51.0	11.3

6.3.8 QA/QC and verification

Until 2024, a continuous focus on the measurements of carbon pools in forest have contributed to QA/QC and to the verification of the submissions. As we gained more data through resampling of permanent plots in the NFI, this have supported the verification of the data reported.

New models for biomass calculations have previously been implemented based on a substantial dataset collected in long-term common garden experiments with tree species. Further, improvements to the existing biomass models were made by adding a novel set of biomass data, including six new broadleaved species (Nord-Larsen et al., 2017). Projects have looked at the consistency of forest carbon pool estimation across Europe (Diabolo), and the implemented models still provide the most consistent result for the Danish forests.

6.3.9 Recalculation

The estimation of emissions for the entire period in the reporting on forest has been reviewed to ensure consistency over time in calculations. This have caused minor recalculations.

A visual control of deforestation has been conducted along with a re-estimation of the area of Forest land. This recalculation was done in order to correct what was found to be an artefact, where some deforested areas were found to never have been forest, or to still be forest. This resulted in a downward adjustment of the forest area of app. 2 000 ha every year before 2018, whereas the area of forest land since 2018 was increased with on average app. 1 200 ha every year (Levin, 2024).

Furthermore, a recalculation was performed for all years for mineral soils because by a mistake the net sink in mineral soils from afforestation in the period 1891 to 1960 has not been included in the inventory.

6.3.10 Planned improvements

Below is a list of planned improvements.

- A constant focus on the QA/QC of the Land Use Matrix with focus on afforestation, deforestation vs temporary unstocked areas.
- For mineral forest soils we are currently seeking funding for advancing to either a model-based approach of a more diverse sample-based approach considering different regions and soil types in Denmark
- For organic forest soils it is planned to expand the current organic soil map for agricultural soil to cover the whole country including ground water estimation on a 10x10 meter level combined with an emission function as used in Cropland and Grassland, see section 6.4.

6.4 Cropland

Cropland emissions and removals are covered by CRT 4.B. Cropland in the reporting in 2024 consists of:

- Agricultural cropland, defined as land with cultivation of agricultural crops in annual rotation, mainly cereals, rape oilseed and root crops, approx. 2.4 million ha, incl. around 220 000 ha of grass in rotation (Danish Agricultural Agency, 2024a).

- Approximately 300 000 ha reported by the farmers as permanent grassland. These ha are included in the modelling of the changes in soil carbon stock with Cropland. The emissions from these are thus reported in Cropland and reported as 'IE' in Grassland.
- Perennial woody crops, defined as horticultural woody crops, e.g. fruit and willow plantations, approx. 10 700 ha. Of this is 4000 ha with horticultural woody crops.
- Hedges and other small biotopes in the landscape, which do not meet the definition of forest, approx. 100 000 ha.
- Other agricultural land is defined as the difference between the three defined crop types and the total Cropland area in the land use matrix. Consequently, other cropland is without any major carbon stocks and is typically small, undefined areas, minor roads (not included in settlements), roadsides, banks between fields without hedges etc., approx. 230 000 ha.

Net emissions from Cropland overall are decreasing but also vary considerably. Organic soils are by far the main source of emission, and has been since 1990, but has declined from 1 477 kt C in 1990 to 454 kt C in 2024 (Fig. 6.78, Table 6.17), a decline of about 69 %. This major decrease is to a great extent caused by a gradual reclassification of organic soils to mineral soils due to loss of carbon, see section 6.4.7. Mineral soils are changing on a yearly basis going from a net source of emissions to a net sink of emissions. In 2023 and 2024, the mineral soils contributed with emissions of CO_2 due to low harvest rates which affected the C input to soils. Emissions from the mineral soils are calculated with the dynamic 3-pooled model C-TOOL.

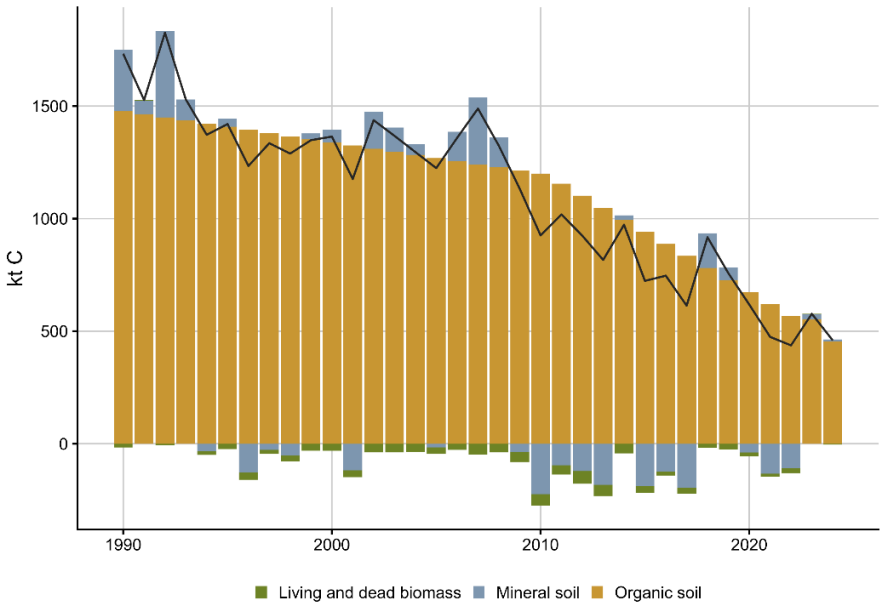


Figure 6.8 Emissions from Cropland 1990-2024. Positive values are emissions and negative values are sequestration.

Table 6.17 Total area and annual emissions 1990 to 2024 from Cropland.

Cropland	1990	2000	2010	2020	2022	2023	2024
Area, 1000 ha	2 972	2 923	2 858	2 768	2 741	2 737	2 729
Living and dead biomass, kt C	-17.0	-32.4	-57.3	-17.4	-21.6	2.0	-4.3
Mineral soils, kt C	272.1	56.7	-224.0	-39.2	-108.4	23.7	9.6
Organic soils, kt C	1 477.4	1 337.6	1 198.0	668.3	567.1	551.8	454.0
Total, kt C	1 732.5	1 361.9	916.7	611.6	437.0	577.4	459.3
CH_4, kt	10.6	9.7	8.7	5.1	4.4	4.2	3.5
N_2O, kt	0.02	0.00	0.00	0.02	0.02	0.03	0.02
C, kt CO2 eqv.	6 352.5	4 993.7	3 361.2	2 242.6	1 602.2	2 117.2	1 684.0
CH4, kt CO2 eqv.	297.4	270.7	244.1	142.9	122.5	118.8	97.7
N2O, kt CO2 eqv.	5.87	0.24	1.27	4.07	5.53	6.96	6.55
Total, kt CO2 eqv.	6 655.7	5 264.7	3 606.6	2 389.6	1 730.3	2 243.0	1 788.3

All Cropland categories combined account for approximately 2.73 million ha in 2024, a decline from approximately 2.97 million ha in 1990 (Table 6.17), most of which has been converted to Forest Land (afforestation) and Settlement (urbanisation purposes).

6.4.1 Activity data

Cropland area

The main activity data for the agricultural land use of cropland (4.B) from 1990 up to 2009 is based on data from Statistics Denmark and from 2010 and onwards the area is based on the annual update of the land use matrix, including 2024 information from the agricultural register and EU Land Parcel Information System (LPIS)[2]. The data is received from the Danish Agricultural Agency as part of the Ministry of Food, Agriculture and Fisheries of Denmark. The LPIS contains information of the exact geographical location of each field as it is used as basis for documentation in the EU common agricultural policy (CAP) subsidiary system.

The total cropped area with agricultural and perennial crops of approximately 2.5 million hectares (LPIS data) consists of approximately 575 000 individual fields registered in LPIS. This gives an approximate field size of around 5 hectares. The agricultural register and LPIS today contain codes for more than 300 specific crops or land use activities, related to around 77 crop categories. The actual grown crop is known for each field. This map from the EU subsidiary system is precisely mapped with an uncertainty down to less than ± 0.5 meter.

The main part of the agricultural area is grown with annual crops: cereals, grass in rotation, oilseed, sugar beets, potatoes and temporary set-a-side. Permanent grass outside rotation with none or very little fertiliser application rates (often < 25 kg N per ha per year) is reported under Grassland.

The area with hedgerows and small biotopes is based on analysis of LiDAR measurements for year 2006 and 2014/2015 (see Section 6.4.4) combined with planting and removal statistics of hedges, also received from the Agricultural Agency of Denmark. Most establishment of hedges is subsidised in Denmark and therefore monitored.

[2] In Danish: Landbrugsregistret (GLR) og Internet Markkort (IMK).

Cropland area according to Statistics Denmark

The survey data from Statistics Denmark differs a little from the current LPIS applied in the annual updates to the land use matrix (less than ±2 % for the major crops). Data from Statistics Denmark has been used in the historical mapping of the inventories. Since 1990, the agricultural area recorded by Statistics Denmark (which excludes hedges and tree plantations) has decreased from 2.79 million hectares to 2.6 million hectares in 2024, see Table 6.17. The land use matrix applied in the inventory and the numbers from Statistics Denmark thus are relatively coherent, considering differences in the categorical definitions of crops and in the references forming each dataset.

Table 6.18 shows the development in the agricultural area from 1990 to 2024 according to Statistics Denmark. The area reported to Statistics Denmark are in the land use matrix reported under either Cropland or Grassland. A general trend is a continuous decrease of the agricultural area by 6000 - 7000 ha per year. From 1993 to 2008, there was a mandatory European Union regulation for set-a-side (land area no longer cultivated, i.e. set-a-side and excluded from the regular crop rotation, in Danish: brakarealer), due to overproduction of agricultural products. In these years, more than 200 000 ha were left as set-a-side. In 2009, this regulation was lifted, and the area ceased to a very low level. In the latter years, the reported area has increased again and for 2024 set-a-side area was reported to 194,868 ha (Statistics Denmark, 2024). The increase is mainly caused by changes in statistical definitions and a change in farmers reporting. For the inventory, the set-a-side area is treated similar to Grassland.

Table 6.18 Cropland area in ha in Denmark for selected years in the period 1990-2024 according to Statistics Denmark, and area of energy crops and hedgerows included in the inventory.

	1990	2000	2010	2020	2022	2023	2024
Annual crops (CL[a])	2 236 535	1 938 633	2 049 304	2 004 373	1 993 577	1 947 717	1 905 543
Grass in rotation (CL)	306 325	330 834	327 319	283 256	270 123	253 457	257 783
Permanent grass (CL and GL[b])	217 235	166 261	199 859	222 405	233 240	226 438	221 916
Horticulture – vegetables (CL)	16 428	10 803	10 812	12 775	12 205	10 383	9 678
Perennial fruit trees and woody crops (CL)	7 892	8 010	7 797	7 117	6 885	7 423	6 995
Set-a-side (CL)	0	191 295	9 874	81 727	101 180	167 654	194 868
Other land and uncropped areas (CL)	3 861	1 146	41 435	8 334	7 035	7 875	7 942
Total agricultural land area reported by DSt	2 788 276	2 646 982	2 646 400	2 619 987	2 624 245	2 620 947	2 604 725
Willow and other crops for energy purposes (CL)[c]	588	695	4049	4,923	4,835	4,847	4,959
Hedgerows (CL)[c]	98,643	100,602	99,524	103,474	103,495	103,545	103,595

[a]CL = in the inventory this area is reported as Cropland. [b]GL = in the inventory this area is reported as Grassland. [c]Data from the land use matrix, supplementary to the area from Statistics Denmark.

Yield

Yield data from each region as reported by Statistics Denmark are used for the calculations.

Despite the decreasing agricultural area, the total crop yield has increased since 1990, as measured in dry matter (million kg dry matter per year (Figure 6.9)). The overall cereal yield has increased with 1.2 % in (average 2020-2024) (low yields in 2023 and 2024) compared to the period from 1990-1994 despite a 14 percent decrease in the cereal area. Years 2018, 2023 and 2024 were

particularly dry and the consequences was a 20-25 % lower crop yield than normal.

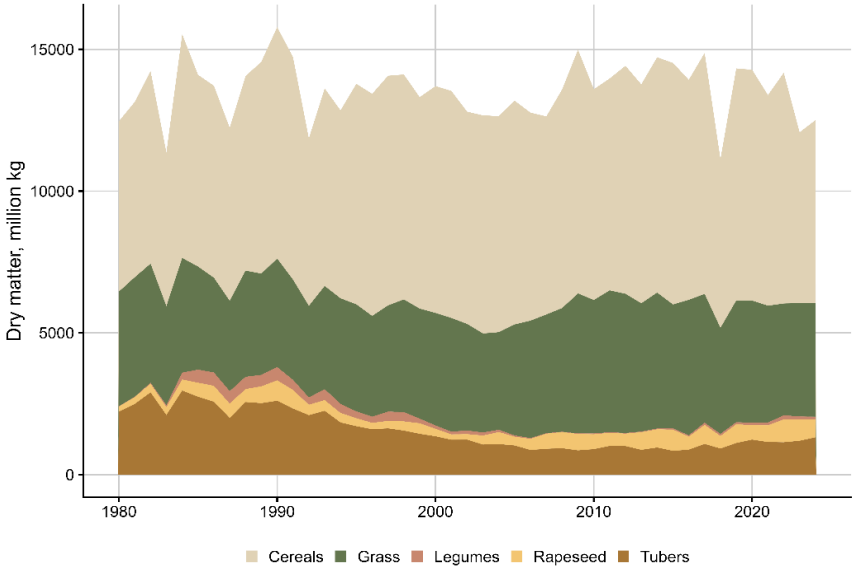


Figure 6.9 Total crop yield from the main crop categories given as kernel, roots, fruits and grass as measured in million kg dry matter per year, 1980-2024 (Data source: Statistics Denmark tables HST7 (archived) and HST77).

6.4.2 Cropland remaining Cropland and land converted to Cropland

As explained previously in the chapter, all land use categories are divided into 'land remaining' and 'land converted to', reflecting the changes in the land use matrix. Emissions and removals from Cropland remaining Cropland are covered by CRT 4.B.1.

Emissions and removals from land converted to Cropland are covered by CRT 4.B.2. Agriculture covers more than 65 % of the total area in Denmark, heavily impacting the environment. Consequently, there are many initiatives to convert agricultural land into natural habitats and forest, meanwhile the continuous development of infrastructure also demands more land. Land converted to Cropland is therefore limited in practice.

The area converted from other land uses to Cropland is based on remote sensing of the Danish area in 1990, 2005, 2011, 2012-2024 combined with data in LPIS of crops grown in each field. See detailed descriptions in section 6.2.

6.4.3 Methodological issues

The following data sources are used for determination of the Cropland area, for determination of land use changes, for allocation of natural, administrative and management parameters, development of emission factors for soils and biomass, and for calculation of carbon stocks in soils and biomass:

- Agricultural area data from Statistics Denmark, 1980 to 2009.
- Area data from Statistics Denmark[3], 1980 to 2010.
- Harvest surveys from Statistics Denmark[4], 1980 to 2024.
- Area with willow from the agricultural subsidiary system from 2010.

[3] Table AFG and AGF5 from Statistics Denmark.
[4] *Landbrugsstatistik* (DSt, n.d.) and tables HST7, HST77, HALM, HALM1 from Statistics Denmark.

- Crops grown on field block and individual field level and its geographical location from EUs Land Parcel Information System, 1998 to 2024, received from the Agricultural Agency as part of the Ministry of Food, Agriculture and Fisheries of Denmark.
- Digital soil maps (Greve et al., 2011; Adhikari et al., 2013; Beucher et al., 2023; Møller et al., 2024).
- Digital ground water table map (Koch et al., 2023)
- LiDAR analysis in 2006 and 2014/2015.
- Hedgerow subsidized planting data 1977 to 2024, received from the Agricultural Agency as part of the Ministry of Food, Agriculture and Fisheries of Denmark.

The largest methodological challenge in the reporting of land converted to Cropland is that the farmers in one year may report that a certain field is Cropland, and the next year is permanent Grassland. The field may register as Grassland for several years before it is once again ploughed and turned into annual Cropland for a single year. Because of the detailed information available in the annual LPIS data, it has previously been difficult to preserve a conservative estimate of conversions between these two land use categories. To minimize the conversion ratios, it is decided that Cropland and Grassland must be registered in the same category for five years before the conversion is accounted for in the inventory, which has reduced the number of hectares in conversion. However, as the carbon stock changes in mineral soils are estimated using C-TOOL, which combines the calculation for Cropland and Grassland, the effect of this has no impact on the overall emission estimate from agricultural soils.

6.4.4 Change in carbon stock in living biomass

Living biomass for all Cropland (incl. conversions from other land uses converted to Cropland) in 2024 accounted for a net removal of 8.7 kt C, equivalent to 32 kt CO_2 removals.

Annual agricultural crops

For annual agricultural crops on Cropland remaining Cropland (CRT 4.B.1), it is assumed that no changes in above-ground, below-ground, or DOM are occurring, cf. IPCC 2006 (5.2.1.1). Information about the specific crops grown is thus not used in the estimates for living biomass from the annual crops. When estimating the carbon stock in living biomass, such changes in the area may create large variations between years. As the amount of living biomass is defined according to the time where the peak of living biomass is occurring, the variation in the area creates large fluctuations in the carbon stock in living biomass.

Default dry matter values for the different crop categories used in the inventory are given in Table 6.15. This default value is based on the average cereal yield in Denmark from 2001-2010 combined with the expansion factors for conversion into total living biomass as used in dynamic modelling for carbon stock changes in agricultural soils (section 6.4.6).

Fruit trees and other perennial woody plants

Fruit trees, other perennial commercial woody plants and durable horticultural plantations are included under Cropland (CFR Table 4.B). These are only of minor importance in Denmark and cover approximately 10,700 ha in 2024. The total area for different main classes and the average C stock values for the living biomass (above ground and below ground) are given in Table 6.20. The

calculation of the annual CO_2 removal and/or emission is based on the average stock figures multiplied with the area changes (Table 6.19).

Table 6.19 Biomass estimation in fruit trees and berries. Fruit tree data on diameter, height and stem number: Kim Nielsen, AGRO, Aarhus University, 2005. Form figure, BEF, Volume calculation (as for forest trees): Vivian Kvist Johannsen, IGN, Copenhagen University, 2005.

		Apples old	Apples new	Pears old	Pears new	Cherry and Plumes	Black Currant	Other fruit bushes
	Diameter, m	0.09	0.07	0.07	0.05	0.09	0.042	0.042
	Height, m	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	4.00	1.00	1.50
	Stems, ha^{-1}	1905	2700	1250	2300	1000	4500	3000
As for broad leaves	Form figure	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.0	1.0
	Volume, m^3 ha^{-1}	43.6	37.4	17.3	16.3	30.5	6.2	6.2
As for broad leaves	Biomass expansion, BCEF	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2
As for broad leaves	Density, t m^{-3}	0.56	0.56	0.56	0.56	0.56	0.56	0.56
	Biomass, t ha^{-1}	29.3	25.1	11.6	10.9	20.5	4.2	4.2
As for broad leaves	t C t biomass-1	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50
	AGB C, t ha^{-1}	14.7	12.6	5.8	5.5	10.3	2.1	2.1
	Average: AGB C, t ha^{-1}	13.6		5.6		10.3	2.1	2.1
	Root:Shoot	0.24		0.24		0.24	0.24	0.24
	Average: BGB C, t ha^{-1}	3.3		1.4		2.5	0.5	0.5
	AGB+BGB C, t ha-1	16.9		7.0		12.7	2.6	2.6

$$ABG = \frac{(d^2 * h * FF) * \pi}{4} * s * BCEF * D * CF$$

Where:
ABG = Above Ground Biomass, t ha^{-1}
d = stem diameter at 1.3 meters height, m
h = height, m
FF = Form Factor of the trees as recommended by IGN, 1.2 or 1.0 (dimensionless)
π = 3.14159
s = stems, number ha^{-1}
BCEF = Biomass Conversion and Expansion Factor, 1.2 (dimensionless)
D = wood density, t dry matter m^{-3}
CF = Carbon fraction for all species, 0.5 (dimensionless)

This model is used instead of a more complex growth model for the different tree categories, due to the limited area and small annual changes. Perennial horticultural crops account for approximately 0.07 % of the standing carbon stock. Height, diameter and number of stems is estimated by Kim Nielsen, FOOD, Aarhus University, personal communication in 2006. Form Figure and BCEF is estimated by Vivian Kvist Johannsen (IGN, Copenhagen University) based on forest trees. Statistics Denmark make a questionnaire on number of apple and pear trees every fifth year (Dst, 2025, Table FRUGT4). Here the number of trees in the latest report for 2023 is 1798 trees ha^{-1} for apple orchards and 1928 trees ha^{-1} for pear orchards.

Table 6.20 Tonnes living biomass per hectare and area in number of hectares, with perennial woody trees and bushes, 1990-2024.

	Living biomass	Areas, hectares						
	Mg DM ha^{-1}	1990	2000	2010	2020	2022	2023	2024
Black currant	5.20	1 269	1 492	1 848	826	649	584	500
Other berries	5.20	663	611	620	0	0	0	0
Rosehip	13.99	0	0	197	193	197	196	195
Cherries	25.45	1 787	2 804	1 743	626	511	466	457
Plumes	25.45	0	0	68	81	92	91	85
Hazelnut and walnuts	25.45	0	0	14	66	231	345	368
Apples	33.76	2 726	1 678	1 684	1 496	1 512	1 460	1 464
Pears	13.99	351	441	357	291	285	291	260
Elderberry	25.45	0	0	9	170	115	118	114
Grapes	5.20	0	0	45	150	171	177	200
Other fruit trees	13.99	0	0	60	135	315	343	328
Rowan-berries	33.76	0	0	16	1	1	2	2
Willow	17.43	588	695	4 049	4 923	4 847	4 959	4 841
Nurseries	5.20	3 471	2 866	1 521	1 638	1 609	1 551	1 547
Miscanthus	17.43	39	31	72	83	89	128	181
Total, area in ha		10 894	10 618	12 302	10 678	10 625	10 709	10 541

Hedgerows

Historical data on hedgerow plantings have mainly been provided by documentation of subsidiary schemes. Since the beginning of the early 1930s, governmental subsidiaries have been given to increase the area with hedgerows to reduce soil erosion. In the 1950-60's, 6-9 million single rowed conifers, mainly white spruce *(Picea glauca*) were planted annually. From around 1965, the annual rate decreased sharply to almost zero due to lack of financial subsidies. As the older planting of white spruce were getting old, high replacement rates were seen in the 1980's and the 1990's, replacing white spruce with broadleaves. In 1990, 75 % of the replaced conifers hedgerows had been replaced with 3- to 6-rowed broadleaved hedges. The replacement rate has since gone down alongside the immediate need for hedges to lower sand drift from cultivated land, which is reflected by a decrease in the number of subsidized hedgerow plantings. To estimate changes in carbon stored in hedgerows, a model is used that incorporates data from the Danish digital elevation model (DEM), which includes measurements of both terrain height (DTM) and surface height (DSM). In the inventory LiDAR measurements from 2006 and 2014/2015 (Levin et *al.,* 2020) and measurements of biomass are used combined with historical and current planting data to get a full time series from 1990. The LiDAR methodology has a resolution of 0.4 × 0.4 m^2 in 2014/2015. The total volume of biomass is estimated as the difference between DSM and DTM for elements in Cropland and Grassland having a height > 2 meter, and areas not reported in Forest land, Wetlands, or Settlement, as horticulture/fruit plantations and willow or subtracted all building elements. The LiDAR measurements and other supplementary information on subsidized hedges planting revealed an overall increase in the area with hedges and small biotopes since 1990 from 98.6 kha to 103.6 kha in 2024.

In combination with the LiDAR analysis, a measurement of approximately 10 000 m linear hedges (10.3 ha) was carried out by removing, chipping, burning and weighing the biomass. Analysis of the data showed that regardless of the height, there was a stable biomass volume per m^3 of hedge/biotope of 2.54 (± 0.56) kg DM m^{-3} hedge (Levin et al. 2020). To convert to carbon was used the IPCC default value of 0.47 g C g^{-1} and a Root/Shoot ratio of 0.192 (IPCC, 2006). The average height was estimated to 3.24 m (±1.72m) with an estimated average aboveground C stock of 38.7 t C ha^{-1}. The volume density is higher than in the Danish NFI plots for trees with similar heights, most likely due to less light competition in hedges compared to forests. The measured DM m^{-3} hedge

is similar to what have been found in other studies in Germany (Lingner et al., 2018) and UK (Axe et al., 2017).

For estimating changes in living biomass, a growth model for planted hedges is included based on data for planted hedges. Data on planted hedges is from different sources (Landsforsøgene, 2023) and GIS data from the Danish EPA (EPA, 2023). The growth model assumes a linear growth and a maximum carbon stock after 25 years. After 25 years, it is assumed that thinning is maintaining the carbon stock at this level. As most new hedges are six-row broadleaves plants which may become higher than the average hedge, an average height at maturity is assumed at 4.96 meter (average measured height plus one standard deviation) as a proxy. When a new analyses of the volume of hedges and trees in Cropland and Grassland based on updated DEM is available, the estimated biomass data will be updated accordingly (update is expected in the next inventory submission). Currently, the Danish DEM is updated for whole Denmark in a five-year rotation. This will likely be implemented in the 2028 submission.

Table 6.21 shows the estimated planting and removal rates for hedgerows and the related changes in carbon stock.

Table 6.21 Hedges planted and removed under the governmental subsidiary system 1990 to 2024.

	1990	2000	2010	2020	2022	2023	2024
Planted, ha	464.0	626.1	141.7	45.9	50.0	50.0	50.0
Removed, ha	522.0	219.1	13.0	2.1	-[a]	-[a]	-[a]
Net change, ha	-58.0	407.1	128.7	43.8	50.0	50.0	50.0
Net change, kt C yr^{-1}	7.6	30.1	51.6	21.4	18.6	17.0	15.5

[a]Due to the insignificant removal rates, the analysis was not carried out for 2021 and 2022.

Change in carbon stock in living biomass for land converted to Cropland

For land converted to Cropland, a standard default gain value of 9 577 kg DM (dry matter) per hectare in above ground biomass and 2 298 kg DM per hectare in below ground biomass (Table 6.14), equivalent to 5 938 kg C in living biomass per hectare is used. This value is equivalent to the average harvest of living biomass for all cereals grown in Denmark from 2001 to 2010, including straw, stubble and glumes. For conversion from DM to carbon, a default fraction of 0.5 kg C kg^{-1} DM is used.

For conversion from Cropland to other land use categories, the same value is used and recorded as a loss of carbon in the respective category (CRTs 4.A.2., 4.C.2., 4.D.2. and 4.E.2.).

The loss in living biomass for conversion from another land use category into Cropland is estimated as the default value for DM in that particular land use category. I.e. for deforested areas, the average carbon stock per hectare for all deforested areas, reported with the NFI, is used.

6.4.5 Change in carbon stock in dead organic matter

No changes in DOM are estimated for Cropland, as this is assumed not occuraring for this category in accordance with a Tier 1 method (IPCC 2006).

For land converted to Cropland, the carbon stock in DOM is generally assumed as not occurring (NO), as no DOM is reported for these categories. However, for Forest land converted to Cropland, it is assumed that all DOM from the forest will be instantly oxidated. Due to current harvest practises for forests (chipping), no significant amount of DOM is left on site. The actual amount of C lost depends on which type of forest is converted and estimated via the annual NFI. N_2O emissions from DOM decomposition is covered by Section 6.12.

6.4.6 Change in carbon stock in mineral soils

Based on a GIS analysis of the data in the LPIS and maps of the Danish soils (Adhikari et al., 2013; Greve et al., 2011; Beucher et al., 2023; Møller et al., 2024), the agricultural area is distributed between mineral soils and organic soils and subdivided into Cropland (incl. grass in frequent rotation) and Grassland (rangeland, pastureland and permanent grassland). Mineral soils, defined as soils with < 6% SOC content in 0-30 cm, are treated in this section, and organic soils (≥6 % SOC content in 0-30 cm) are treated in section 6.4.7.

Emissions and removals for mineral soils in Cropland are reported in CRT 4.B. For carbon changes in mineral soils with annual agricultural crops, a 3-turnover soil C model called C-TOOL is used (Taghizadeh-Toosi et al., 2014). The output from C-TOOL covers the carbon changes for both Cropland and Grassland. As it is not possible to split the result, the entire output is reported under Cropland (CRT 4.B.1). Mineral soils under Grassland are therefore reported as IE. No change in the carbon stock in soils under perennial woody plants, hedgerows and "Other agricultural cropland" is expected, as areas under these land uses are assumed to be at equilibrium. These areas constitute < 4 percent of the Cropland area. For the area with annual crops, C-TOOL is implemented on a regional level with different soil types and with initialization in 1980. The regions applied correspond to those applied by Statistics Denmark[5].

C-TOOL

C-TOOL (Taghizadeh-Toosi et al., 2014) is a process-based model used to describe soil C turnover through 3 conceptual pools. The model is useful for estimating medium and long-term changes in arable lands. The technical details of C-TOOL were reported by Taghizadeh-Toosi (2015). The three C pools present in the model differ according to the rate of degradation in:

- *Fresh organic matter (FOM)* with approximate average half-live time 0.6-0.7 years (dependent decomposition rate k_{FOM} = 1.44 per year)
- *Humified organic matter (HUM)* with approximate average half-live time 30 years (dependent decomposition rate k_{HUM} = 0.0336per year)
- *ROM (Resilient Organic Matter)* with approximate average half-live times 600-800 years (dependent decomposition rate $k_{ROM} = 4.63 \times 10^{-4}$ per year).

When setting up the model, k_{FOM} and k_{ROM} are obtained from Petersen (2003), while k_{HUM} is based on a calibration to northwestern Europe (Petersen et al., 2005; Taghizadeh-Toosi, 2015).

The main part of biomass returned to soil each year enters the easiest degradable FOM pool. This pool mainly consists of fresh straw, fresh manure, root

[5] https://www.dst.dk/en/Statistik/dokumentation/nomenklaturer/nuts

residues, fungi and small animals and fluctuates substantially between years, depending on the C input derived from harvest yield and climatic conditions. The FOM pool accounts for approximately 1-2 % of the total carbon stock in the upper 0–100 cm. The ROM pool is the most resistant part of the soil organic carbon. In most "old" soils, which have been cultured for hundreds of years, it contains around 50 % of the soil organic carbon (0-100 cm). The remaining amount of organic carbon is allocated to the HUM pool.

The coarse sandy soils, which is typically old heathland in Jutland, are special in a Danish context, as they have a high amount of inert carbon from previous wildfires. In 1200-1800, these sandy soils were heavily overgrazed and turned into marginal heathland, resulting in a low but very stable carbon content and hence a relatively high proportion of ROM. Since the 1870's, this land has been cultivated, additional farmed cattle were introduced and, from the 1950's, fertilized with mineral fertilizer. For these areas, the initialisation of the C-TOOL model for 1980 shows that the amount of HUM is much lower for the sandy soils of Jutland, 29.0 t HUM ha^{-1}, compared to the other soil types across Denmark, which have an average of 49.4 t HUM ha^{-1} (Table 6.22).

Table 6.22 Estimated amount of HUM and ROM in in 1986 in Jutland and on the Danish Islands for the initialisation of C-TOOL.

	HUM	ROM
Location	t C/ha (0-100 cm)	
Coarse Sand, Jutland	29.0	93.4
Loamy Sand, Jutland	42.2	80.4
Sandy Loam, Jutland	57.8	75.7
Loamy Sand, Islands	44.1	63.1
Sandy Loam, Islands	53.4	67.2
Average Loamy Sand and Sandy Loam	49.4	71.6

The ROM pool has a minor influence on the annual C stock changes as it reacts to changes in management, C input, and climate slowly. The FOM pool has a large influence because, in Denmark, the process of turning organic matter (OM) from crop residues into soil organic matter (SOM) starts after harvest from August to October. If there is a large input of crop residues (CR) and low temperatures during autumn, the outcome from the modelling by 31 December of the reported year is that only a small amount of the applied CR has been degraded out of the approximate 3.5-5 tonnes C ha^{-1} which is incorporated in the soil every year. The result is a rather high total content of SOM at the end of the year. The changes between two successive years are large, if the previous year showed the opposite pattern with a low crop yield and a high temperature in the autumn. Such changes can be seen as "artefacts" as it is a matter of definition of the organic matter, whether it is partly degraded as crop residues or SOM. Therefore, it was agreed with a previous Expert Review Team (UNFCCC review report) to exclude FOM from the reporting in soils and only include the HUM and ROM pools. As a result, the HUM pool is more or less solely responsible for the changes in the SOC stock between years.

In the case of the sandy heathland in Jutland, the low amount of HUM means that these soils are able to store higher amounts of C in the future as compared to the other soil with large amounts of HUM as HUM is the far major pool determining the actual carbon content in the soil. The history of heathland C stock can be explained as small annual inputs for hundreds of years, which have given a higher share to the ROM pool and a lower share of HUM compared to soils that are more fertile. Furthermore, we find large amounts of inert C (partly degraded OM) compared to the other soil types, which is

assumed to be due to burning of the heathland for hundreds of years (biochar). In the case with the old heathland, the annual input of crop residues has increased tremendously due to cultivation and fertilization. In factual terms, the average Danish cereal yield has doubled from 1900 to 1965, but on sandy soils, it has tripled from a very low level at 15-25 hkg grain yield per ha to now 65 hkg grain per ha (average 2020-2024) (Statistics Denmark, annual yearbooks). The sandy soils have not yet reached their equilibrium state and are still increasing the SOC. This is in contrast to the old, fertile loamy soils, which are closer to their equilibrium state, although still increasing their C stock due to increased annual CR input.

A simple diagram of C-TOOL is shown in Figure 6.10. All dynamic models allocate the total soil carbon stock into sub-compartments each having different degradation times. This distribution cannot be measured but has to be estimated from long-term experiments that monitor C stocks evolution under controlled conditions. C-TOOL is parameterised and validated against long-term field experiments (100-150 years) conducted in Denmark, the United Kingdom (Rothamsted), and Sweden and is considered "state-of-the-art" (Petersen et al., 2005; Taghizadeh-Toosi, 2015). As the models are parameterised on mineral soils (<6 % OC), the model cannot be used on soils having higher carbon contents as there are limited data for validation, while the large amount of easily degradable OC in the organic soils would also affect the distribution into the different sub-pools.

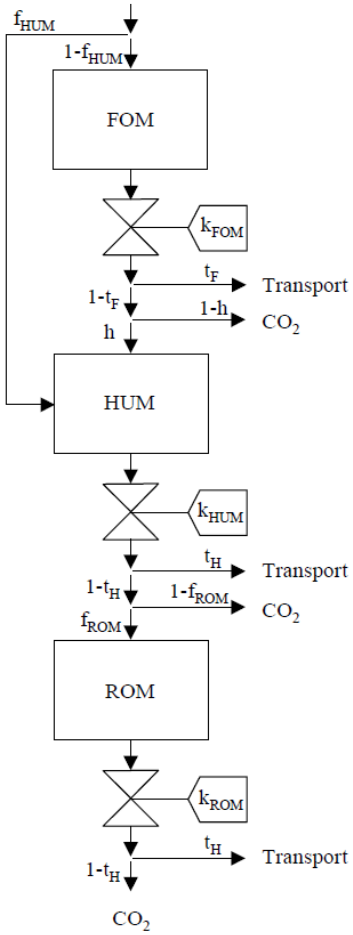


Figure 6.10 A simple diagram of C-TOOL (Taghizadeh-Toosi, 2015).

C-TOOL input and output data

The last major revision of the soil parameters was made in 2016. The new version (Version 2.3) was implemented in the 2017 submission for all years.

Version 2.3 covers all agricultural mineral soils in cropland and grassland in Denmark. In the modelling, Denmark is subdivided into eight regions Bornholm, Capital and North Zealand, East Jutland, Funen, North Jutland, South Jutland, West Jutland, and Zealand. Each region is further subdivided into two or three soil types. On the islands, where the soils typically are loamy sand or loam, two different soil types are used. Jutland, which has a large area with sandy wash-out plains, are split into three different soil types. As C-TOOL treats all agricultural crops, including grass in rotation and permanent grassland, on mineral soils, the emissions from Grassland are reported as IE, since these carbon stock changes are reported under Cropland (CRT 4.B). This is also done to eliminate the trivial annual conversions from cropland to grassland and vice versa as mentioned in the Land use matrix section (Table 6.5). Set-a-side land is treated as a separate crop type in C-TOOL with a low input of organic matter similar to unfertilized permanent grass.

The carbon input to each region for each year is based on the actual crop area from the LPIS system and crop yields from Statistics Denmark (www.dst.dk Table AFG, AFG5, HST7 and HST77). The amount of agricultural residues returned to soil is the amount estimated by Statistics Denmark (www.dst.dk Table HALM and HALM1). The dry matter content depends on the actual crop. For cereal and cereal straw, it is 15 % (DST, 2023).

The amount of animal manure produced (Volatile Substance) and applied to the soil is estimated with the same methodology as in the Agricultural sector for estimating CH_4 and N_2O emission, where annually updated feeding and excreting data are provided for the regulation of the animal production in Denmark. Here, detailed data on the number of animals, housing and manure type are available on farm level. As the animals are distributed unevenly over the country, data on the actual location of each farm and their herd/nitrogen excretion in the Danish mandatory nitrogen accounting system is used as proxy for the distribution of the animal manure on regions and soil types for the C-TOOL modelling. From 2000 onwards, each farm has been geocoded by region and soil type, and the standard manure production for a given animal category is multiplied with the relevant animal units on the farm for all animal categories. For the years 1980 to 1999, the same distribution is used as in year 2000.

Since 1997, there has been a requirement for growing catch crops in Denmark in order to reduce N-leaching. Besides reducing the N leaching, the catch crops increase the carbon stock in the soil (Andersen et al., 2023). Since year 2000, the area with catch crops has increased and in 2024 462,419 ha were planted with catch crops - often after green maize for fodder or after spring cereals. The requirement for catch crops has altered the way of farming in two ways: 1) Cattle farmers are typically sowing grass seed in their normal cereal fields. This new grass sword must not be ploughed into the soil before winter or next spring. 2) For farmers growing grass seed, which is common in Denmark, the old grass seed fields are not ploughed into the soil before next spring, in contradiction to the current situation where it would be ploughed early autumn and act as a carbon sink.

The area with catch crops in each region is estimated from each farm's obligatory reporting to the Danish Agricultural Agency, which is available for the inventory (LBST, 2025).

More detailed figures on the distribution as an example of the crop yield and areas are given in Annex 3E, Table 3.E11-13 (Annex 3E LULUCF)

C-TOOL is initiated with data from 1980. Observed regional monthly average temperatures are used as temperature driver. The main drivers in the degradation of soil biomass are temperature and humidity. The Danish climate is quite humid with winter temperatures around zero degrees Celsius, and the importance of soil humidity on the model outcome is therefore low in comparison to temperature, which has a high effect on the emission. When biomass is returned to the soil, a major part of it is quite easily degradable. Warm winters with unfrozen soils in connection with high inputs of biomass will therefore give high emissions from the soil compared to more cold years, which will give low emissions.

The variability in the input to C-TOOL from the observed yields and crop distributions results in inter-annual variation in the carbon input to the soil for all years. Combined with inter-annual differences in the temperature, this creates inter-annual differences in the net carbon stock change in mineral soils, where low yields combined with high temperatures reduce the total amount of carbon in agricultural soils by reducing the C inputs and accelerating the degradation rate of C. The opposite situation, with the combination of high yield and low temperatures, leads to an increase of the carbon stock in soils.

Figure 6.11 shows the total SOC estimated by the model between 1980 and 2024. The blue line represents the sum of all three pools (FOM, HUM and ROM) and the red line represents only HUM and ROM. It is obvious that the total carbon stock fluctuates more than the two more steady pools, HUM and ROM. Figure 6.12 shows the estimated annual changes of gains and losses in the carbon stock in mineral soils in 1981-2024. This figure also underlines the yearly variation of the FOM pool as compared to the HUM and ROM pools.

Some examples:
2017 was a good year for growing cereals, giving high yields compared to 2016. For 2018, the yields were very low due to a severe draught in the growing season. Consequently, an increase in 2017 in the total SOC stock compared to 2016 is seen, and a large decrease from 2017 to 2018, which is apparent in Figure 6.11. The crop yields were back to normal in 2019.

Both year 2006 and 2007 were bad cropping years with cereal crop yields of 7-9 % below the average of 2001-2010. The average Danish temperature in 2007 was, however, 1.9 °C higher than the average of the 30-year period 1961-1990 of 7.7 °C. Therefore, both due to the low C input and a high degradation rate, the agricultural soils were estimated to have a high loss of carbon in these years, cf. Figure 6.11 and 6.12.

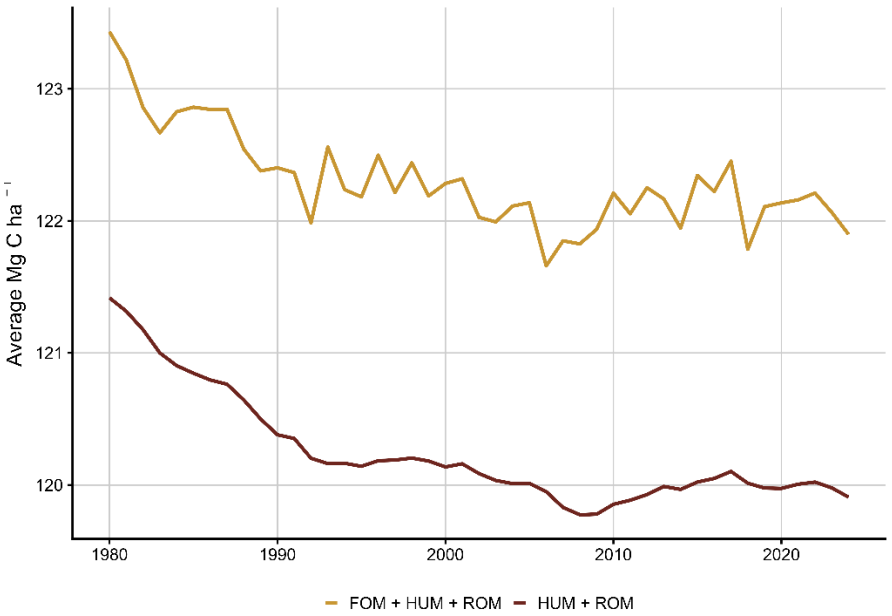


Figure 6.11 The development in the C stock in agricultural soils (Cropland and Grassland), 1980-2024, Mg C ha^{-1} calculated as the area-weighted mean of the respective pools for the 20 combinations of regions and soil categories. The light line represents the sum of FOM, HUM and ROM, and the dark line represents the sum of HUM and ROM only.

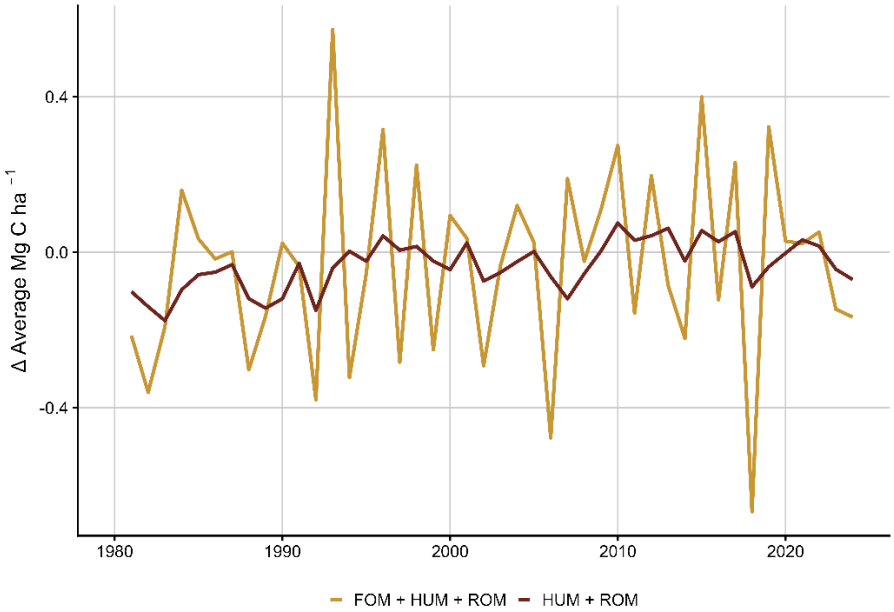


Figure 6.12 Estimated annual changes in the area-weighted C stock per hectare in mineral soils 1981 to 2024, expressed in Mg C ha^{-1}. The light line represents the sum of FOM, HUM and ROM, and the dark line represents the sum of HUM and ROM only.

In recent years (1999-2024), Denmark has experienced relatively warmer climates, except 2010, which was very cold. This means that in 2010 the degradation is reduced in the model. The average cereal yield was 3.5 % lower than the average of 2001-2010. The result was an increased carbon stock in the soil, and lower emissions despite the low yield.

In 19 out of the last 20 years, the annual average temperature has been above the average temperature of 7.7°C from 1961-1990. The average temperature in the latest standard 30-year period, 1991-2020 was 8.7°C, a full degree Celsius

above 1961-1990. The minimum of the latest average monthly temperature was in February 2024, where the average daily temperature was -0.9°C and the average maximum monthly temperature was observed in July and August of 21.2°C (Rubek et al., 2025).

As a whole, the modelled emissions are found to be the most reliable emission estimates reflecting the Danish conditions. As described, Danish farmers have faced increased demands for lower environmental impact since the mid-1980s. The general effect of these regulations is a decrease in the carbon stock in soil is during the 1980s shows, while during the 1990s, the carbon stock seemed to stabilise due to the higher input of organic matter. Taking into account the decreasing agricultural area and the increased global temperatures, a relatively steady total soil carbon stock was modelled since 2000 (Fig. 6.11). Since 1990, C-TOOL has estimated a decline of 0.19 % of the total SOC in the mineral agricultural soils (0-100 cm; average 1988-1992 to average 2019-2024). No precise uncertainty calculation has been made. However, it is assumed that the uncertainty of the annual loss/gain is around 25 %. Denmark has very good data on harvest yields and cultivated area data, which indicate low uncertainty on the activity data. However, the model uncertainty is more difficult to quantify.

Additionally, models generally work well on average but are less accurate for individual areas/farms/regions.

Verification of C-TOOL

C-TOOL is partly parameterised with data from the Danish Agricultural soil sampling grid. The grid was established in 1987 in a 7 × 7 km^2 grid. In 1987, more than 600 agricultural plots were sampled and analysed for carbon. Half of the grid was resampled in 1997, and a full resampling of 464 plots was made in 2008/2009. In the winter of 2018/2019, the latest sampling campaign in the national sampling grid was undertaken where 395 sites were revisited. Figure 6.13 shows the development of the carbon stock in 0-25 cm and 25-50 cm depths in the plots that have been sampled in all four national campaigns. While the overall SOC stock is observed to be relatively stable for both sandy and loamy soils, slight increases are observed for the sandy soils in particular (Harbo et al., 2023). This is suggested to mainly be due to increase of the crop yields, which increase the amount of organic matter returned to soil. Furthermore, the Danish cattle herd is mainly located on the sandy soils and typically have large areas with grass in rotation. This favours the soil C stock. Contrary to this, a slight loss in the C stock on the loamy soils (Sandy Loam and Loam) is observed. On the loamy soils, annual crops are the most common cultivars and usually have a limited number of cattle and pigs. The measurements uncertainty is high, so overall it is concluded that the modelled results are in line what is found in plot sampling.

As C-TOOL is partly parameterised using the development in the soil sampling grid, the model output will mimic the measured development in the soil carbon stock in mineral soils. Figure 6.13 shows the measured data as violin plot from the Danish agricultural soil sampling grid where samples were taken in 1986, 1997, 2009 and 2019. The overall tendency is a slightly increase in the total amount of carbon in the upper 50 cm. From 2009 to 2019, the measured change in the upper 50 cm has been estimated to 2.3 tonnes C ha^{-1} (Harbo et al., 2023) or approximately an increase of 2 %. The average modelled change in mineral soils by C-TOOL is an increase in the carbon stock of approximately 0.3 % and less than monitored in the same period. However, the values

produced by C-TOOL covers the 0-100 cm depth, while only 0-50 cm is assessed in the most recent analysis of the national monitoring network. As the lower soil layer (50-100 cm) is generally known to 1) have comparatively lower SOC stock than the upper 0-50 cm, and 2) the changes in the 50-100 cm layer are expected to occur slower due to less C input and reduced environmental impact, the proportional impact of the 50-100 cm layer included by C-TOOL would be expected to reduce the net change and rate of change in C stock compared to the results found based on the national grid.

As shown in Figure 6.13, the variation in measured carbon stock in paired soil samples in the soil grid is large. The conclusion is that the modelled outcome from C-TOOL represents a proper, conservative value for the development of the carbon stock in the Danish agricultural soils.

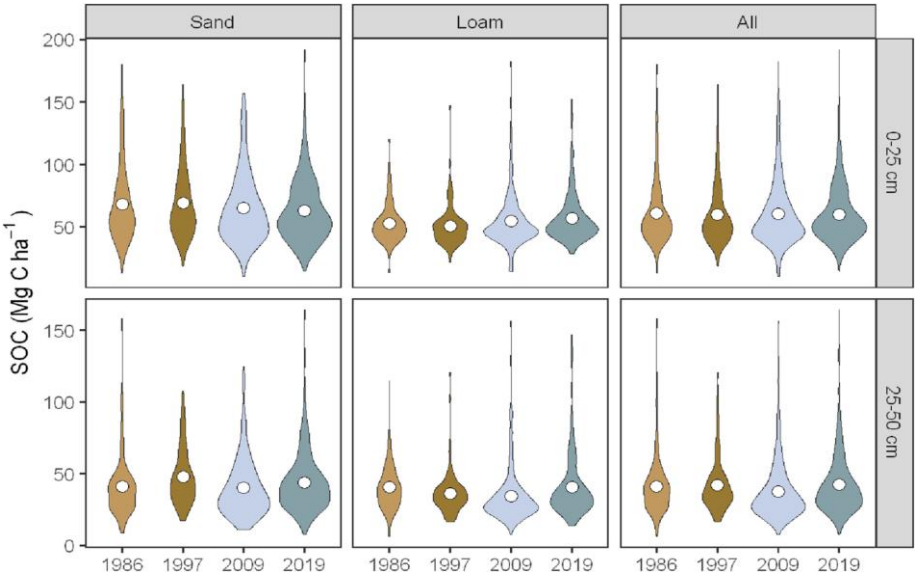


Figure 6.13 Violin plot of the distribution of soil organic carbon (SOC) stocks (Mg C ha−1) in 1986, 1997, 2009, and 2019 for the National soil grid (NSG) sites present in all four surveys (n = 229) for the topsoil (0–25 cm) and subsoil (25–50 cm) for sandy (n = 117) and loamy (n = 112) soils. The white circle indicates the mean SOC stock (Harbo et al., 2023).

6.4.7 Change in carbon stock in organic soils

Emissions and removals from Cropland on organic soils is reflected in CRT 4.B.1. As C-TOOL only models the emissions from the mineral soils (0-6 % OC), the estimates for the emissions from Cropland (as well as other land use categories) on organic soils constitutes its own separate calculation. The basic Danish Soil Classification system from 1975 has a definition for organic soils as having ≥10 % organic matter (OM) in the topsoil (down to 30 cm) equivalent to approximately 6 % OC.

For the time series from 1990-2024, there are three mappings of organic soils available for the estimation of the total area of organic soils during the period: 1975, 2010 and 2023. For the reporting, linear assumptions have been employed to model changes from the 1975 map to the 2010 map, and similarly, linear assumptions have been applied between the 2010 and 2023 maps, given the absence of alternative data. The three mappings are described in the following sections.

The area of organic soils in 1975 was based on the Danish Soil Classification (Madsen et al., 1992). For the area of soils > 12 % OC, this was retrieved

through geostatistical analysis (simple indicator kriging) of point data from the soil samples collected as part of the Danish Soil Classification (Greve et al., 2014), while the area of soils with 6-12 % OC was calculated on the basis of the total area of organic soils according to Madsen et al. (1992). The numbers and the method for estimating the 1975 area of organic soils were provided by DCA (Weber, 2023). This resulted in an area of organic soils (≥ 6 % OC) within agricultural land of 237 551 hectares of organic soils under agricultural use. Of this area, 142 290 ha are reported under CL, and the remaining 95 261 ha are reported under GL.

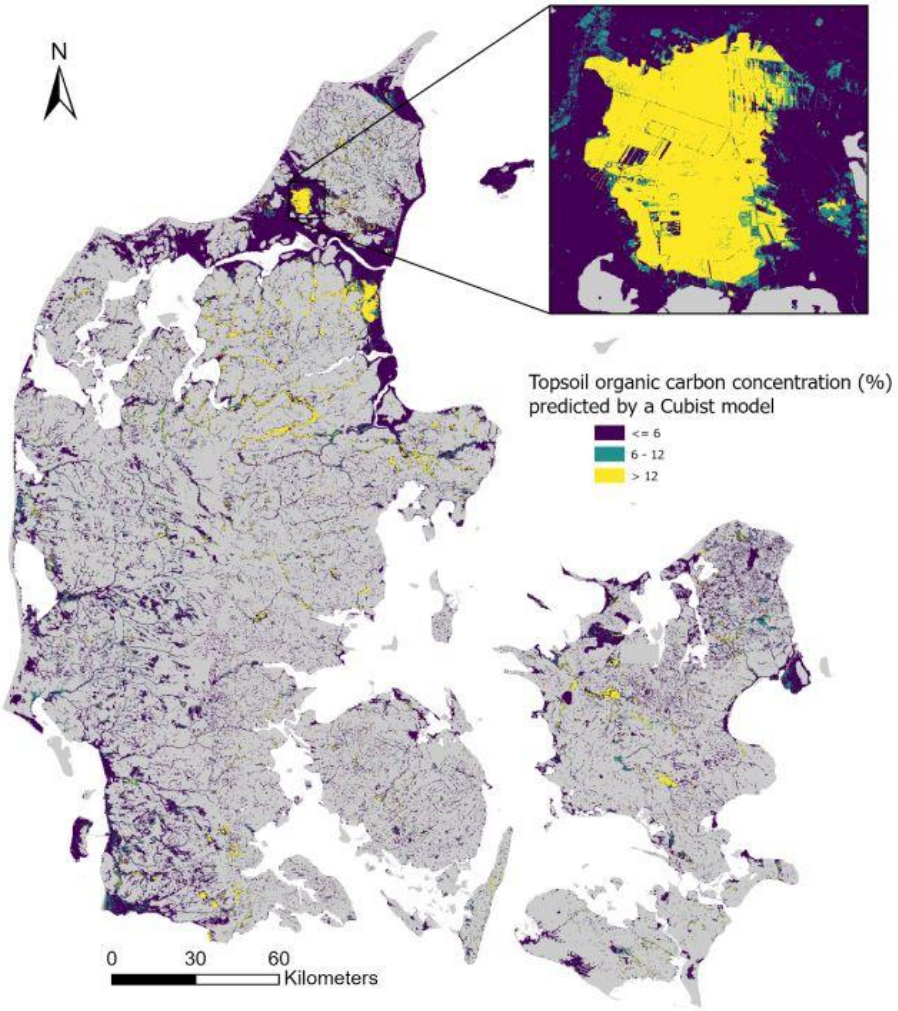


Figure 6.14 The mapping area for the organic soil map for year 2023. Grey colour indicate upland soils where organic soils are not occurring. Purple indicates mapped low land where no organic soils were found (≥ 6 % OC) with a closeup to Store Vildmose (Beucher et al. 2023). Green indicates 6-12 % OC, and yellow indicates >12 % OC.

In 2023, a new map of the organic soils for year 2022 was produced (Beucher et al., 2023). This map was constructed on the basis of resampling 1 083 of 10 000 sites that were sampled as part of the 2010 map and with further 733 new samples collected in 2020-2022. Data from the new samples were used to develop a projection model for calculating the 2023 topsoil OC concentration, thus enabling an estimation of the OC concentration for the remaining 9000 sites from the previous dataset. The new map showed a large decrease in the area with high carbon content. In 2024, only 110 828 hectares having ≥ 6 % OC in the topsoil could be found within the field map from LPIS, indicating that

the soils have undergone a loss of carbon resulting in a reclassification from organic to mineral soil and conversion into wetlands.

To estimate the actual land use of organic soils, the digital field map from LPIS has been placed on top of the organic soil map. In 2024, 42 887 hectares with annual crops and 67 934 with perennial grass were located on the organic soil area with ≥ 6 % OC. Every year, the area within LPIS decreases compared to the previous year. This means that the farmers are no longer applying for subsidies on these areas. Such areas are predominantly converted from Cropland or Grassland to Wetlands and are thus reported in CRT 4.D. Further drainage of the organic soils in Denmark has not been allowed for many years. The most likely situation therefore is that these areas have become wet and no longer suitable for cropping purposes. These areas are in the inventory reported under partly water covered Wetlands.

In summary, the area of organic soil under agriculture (reported under Cropland and Grassland) has decreased from 1975 to 2010 and further to 2024. The major reason for the drastic reduction is that Denmark is quite flat with shallow organic layers, which in combination with the intensive agricultural utilisation and high drainage rates has oxidized a major part of the organic matter. Furthermore, drainage of agricultural land is declining, and areas too wet for cultivation are reported under Wetlands rather than Cropland or Grassland.

Emission factors for organic soils – soil C stock change

An intensive research programme has been carried out to monitor the CO_2 emission from 3 locations with organic soils in Denmark with annual crops in rotation and permanent fertilized grassland (Elsgaard et al., 2012). Flux measurements (closed chamber technique using PVC collars) were executed over a year (Aug. 2008 – Sep. 2009) at 8 sites selected to be representative for Danish climatic conditions, geological features, and dominant agricultural management, thus including both arable crops in rotation, rotational grasses, and permanent grassland. All eight locations had > 12 % OC in the soil with peat depths of 72-220 cm, with 5 of the 8 sites situated in fen peatlands with highly decomposed peat and the remaining 3 sites situated in a bog area where the organic material was more well-preserved. The mean annual ground water table was rater low at all sites ranging from 42 to 111 cm.

CO_2 emission factors (net ecosystem carbon balances) were derived from net ecosystem exchange and carbon removal in harvested biomass resulting in emission factors of 8.4 ± 1.0 tC ha^{-1} for permanent grassland and 11.5 ± 2.0 tC ha^{-1} for arable crops in rotation and rotational grasses. These emissions are consistent with what is measured in Germany (Tiemeyer et al., 2020).

In the 2025 submission, a change in the emission from organic soils to at ground water (GWT) dependent CO_2 emission has been implemented. The emission estimate for CO_2 is based on the organic soil maps for 1975, 2010 and 2022 where a linear interpolation has been made in the years between combined with a newly developed GWT model for the organic soils with a resolution of 10 × 10 m combined with an CO_2 emission function (sigmoid – Gompertz) in relation to groundwater table (GWT). The function is based on CO_2 chamber measurements in Denmark and Germany (Elsgaard, 2024, Tiemeyer et al., 2020), Figure 6.15.

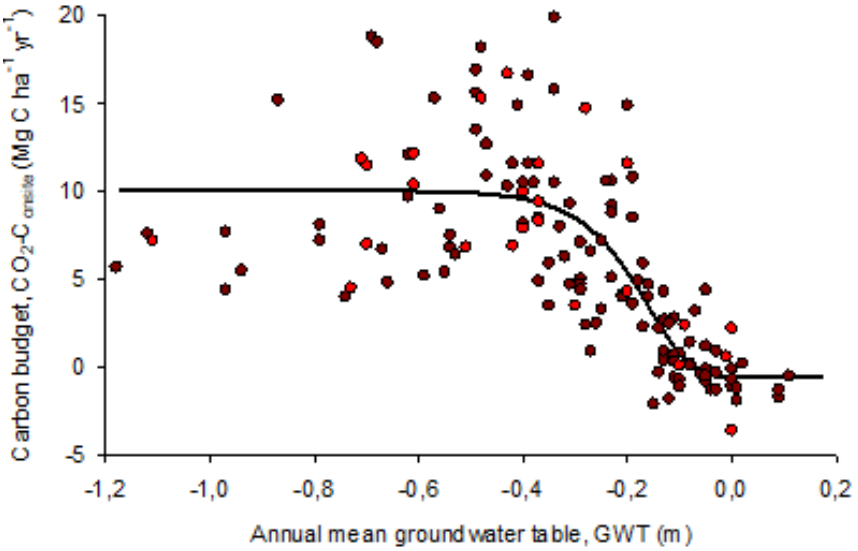


Figure 6.15 Comparison of results from Danish (red points) and German (dark points) measurements of net CO_2 emissions from organic soils, shown as a function of the annual mean groundwater level, GWT. The displayed data are compiled from Tiemeyer et al. (2020) and Koch et al. (2023). The solid curve represents a fitted Gompertz function. From Elsgaard (2024).

No differences can be found between Danish and German emission measurements. For further explanation see Annex to the NID (Annex 3E LULUCF).

Laboratory measurements of the CO_2 emission from 103 samples taken in the topsoil in a gradient of 6-50 % OC showed no differences in the CO_2 emission (Liang et al. 2024). Hence it is assumed that 6-12 % OC soils have the same emission as > 12 % OC soils.

The organic soil maps for 2022 also include the depth of the organic soil layer. When calculating the emission from organic soils, three definitions of organic soil are used. The distribution map for the soil organic soils has characterised the OC content (%) in the upper 30 cm. If GWT is below 30 cm, and peat depth is <= 30 cm a standard EF of 7.5 tC ha^{-1} is used. If GWT is above the depth of the organic layer, the function is restricted to GWT. If the GWT is deeper than the organic soil layer depth, then the function is restricted to the depth of the organic layer.

No differences in the emission can be found between Cropland and Grassland. Therefore, the function in Figure 6.14 is used for both Cropland and Grassland. However, there is a difference in the emission estimates and average EF by land use, as the GWT is generally higher in Grassland than in Cropland (-23 cm versus -52 cm below terrain).

In total, there are 6.2 million different combinations of soil depth and GWT depth covering 116 800 hectares in 2022. The total CO_2 emission is calculated as the sum of all 10 × 10 m pixels within the agricultural area covered by the LPIS maps.

For a further description see Annex to the NID (Annex 3E LULUCF).

Table 6.23 Emission factors of C and CH_4 from organic soils, tonnes C per ha per year.

	Cropland	Grassland	
	Annual crops and grass in rotation	Permanent grass	
	C, tonnes yr^{-1} ha^{-1}	C, tonnes yr^{-1} ha^{-1}	CH_4, kg per year
Soils > 12 % OC	GWT-dependent, max 10	GWT-dependent, max 10	16
Soils 6-12 % OC			8
IPCC 2014, Boreal and Temperate	7.9 (CI = 6.5-9.4)	3.8-6.1 (CI = 5.0-7.3)	16

N_2O, CH_4 and CO_2 emissions from drainage and rewetting of organic soils
These emissions are covered by CRT 4(II) and briefly described in Section 6.11 in NID.

As emission factor for N_2O the default value from the 2013 Wetland Supplement. This emission is reported in the agricultural sector, 3Da6 (cultivation of organic soils).

For CH_4 from ditches, the default methodology in the Wetlands Supplement (IPCC, 2014) is used, with a default fraction of ditches of 5 percent of the organic area and an emission factor of $EF_{CH4_Ditch,c,p}$ of 1 165 kg CH_4 ha^{-1} $year^{-1}$ (95 % CI: 335 - 1 995 kg CH_4 ha^{-1} $year^{-1}$). As the area with organic soils is based on the accurate size and position of each field in Denmark, the estimated ditch area is supplementary to the reported area.

All CO_2 emissions from organic soils converted from other land use categories to Cropland are reported under table 4.B.1. The related N_2O emission is reported in the agricultural sector in CRT 3.Da5. CO_2-emissions from leached dissolved organic carbon (DOC) are estimated based on the methodology in the Wetlands Supplement (IPCC, 2014). The standard emission factor $EF_{DOC_DRAINED}$ of 0.31 t C ha^{-1} $year^{-1}$ (95 % CI: 0.19–0.46 C ha^{-1} $year^{-1}$) is applied.

The total CO_2 emissions from the organic soils in Cropland are given in Table 6.24.

Table 6.24 Emissions from Cropland on organic soils 1990 to 2024.

	1990	2000	2010	2020	2022	2023	2024
Cropland, total, ha	182312	165994	149675	87725	75135	72837	59910
Emission, from drained land, kt C	1423.9	1290.4	1156.8	649.8	546.8	532.0	437.9
Emission from leached C, kt C	53.5	48.5	43.4	24.2	20.3	19.8	16.2
CH_4, kt CH_4	10.6	9.7	8.7	5.1	4.4	4.2	3.5
Emission, total, kt CO_2-eqv.	5714.6	5179.7	4644.9	2614.4	2201.7	2141.9	1762.5

6.4.8 Change in carbon stock in soils for land converted to Cropland

When land is converted into Cropland, the change in C stock in the soil is estimated as the difference between the new estimated equilibrium state of Cropland (120.8 t C ha^{-1}) and the equilibrium C state of the soil for the previous land use category. The actual amount thus depends on which type of land it is converted from, see Table 6.15. To reach the new equilibrium state, the transition period of 30 years is used.

E.g. when an area of mineral Forest land is converted into Cropland, there is a net change in the C stock in the soil of -20.2 t C ha^{-1} (120.8 t C – 142 t C ha^{-1}),

equal to an annual loss of 0.7 t C ha^{-1} $year^{-1}$ in a period of 30 years. It is reported as an annual loss of soil C (CO_2) in the Cropland category, while the entire C pool in Cropland has increased due to the simple fact of an increased area.

N_2O emissions for land converted to Cropland are reported with Agriculture, see Section 6.11.

6.4.9 Uncertainties and time series consistency

A Tier 1 uncertainty analysis has been made for the Cropland part of the LULUCF sector, see Table 6.25. The uncertainty in the activity data for the agricultural sector is very low. The highest uncertainty is associated with the emission factors and the modelling. Especially the emission/sink from mineral soils and organic soils have a high influence on the overall uncertainty.

The time series are complete.

Table 6.25 Tier 1 uncertainty analysis for Cropland for 2024.

		1990	2024					
		Emission/ sink, kt CO_2 eqv.	Emission/ sink, kt CO_2 eqv.	Activity data, %	Emission factor, %	Combined uncertainty	Total, uncertainty, %	Uncertainty, 95 %, kt CO_2 eqv.
4.B Cropland		6 649.9	1 788.3				45.3	811.0
4.B.1 Cropland remaining cropland, Living biomass	CO_2	-51.2	-53.4	3	15	15.2	15.2	8.1
4.B.1 Cropland remaining cropland, Mineral soils	CO_2	923.2	35.0	3	75	75.0	75.0	26.3
4.B.1 Cropland remaining cropland, Organic soils	CO_2	5 221.0	1 605.5	3	50	50.1	50.1	804.5
4.B.2 Forest land converted to cropland	CO_2	IE, NA	56.8	10	50	51.0	51.0	29.0
4.B.2 Other land uses converted to cropland	CO_2	63.2	-19.1	10	50	51.0	51.0	9.7
4(II) Cropland on organic soils	CO_2	196.2	59.2	3	40	40.1	40.1	23.8
4(III) Mineralization/immobilization, Cropland	N_2O	0.0	6.5	10	50	51.0	51.0	3.3
4(II) Cropland on organic soils	CH_4	297.4	97.7	10	90	90.6	414.5	0.6

6.4.10 QA/QC and verification

A general QA/QC plan is developed for Cropland. The following Points of Measures (PM) are carried out:

- Collection and error check on in-data
- Control of sums
- Comparison with other data.

The area estimates for Cropland and Grassland since 2010 are very precise due to unrestricted access to detailed data from EUs Integrated Administration and Control System (IACS) on agricultural crops on field level and the use of the vector-based LPIS. This access is granted to both Statistics Denmark and Aarhus University. The QA of crop data is conducted by Statistics Denmark, and the total uncertainty in the major crop harvest data is estimated by Statistics Denmark to be <2 % (Dst, 2025). Together with detailed soil maps, this gives a unique possibility to monitor and assess the agricultural crops on different soil types and hence track changes in land use. However, IACS and LPIS are only available from 1998 onwards and estimates for 1990 are therefore more uncertain. The uncertainty in the LPIS data dating back before 2010

similarly is slightly more uncertain than the more recent data due to the higher geographical detail level since then.

Data on newly planted and removed hedgerows are based on subsidised hedgerows and QA is carried out by the Danish Agricultural Agency, who is responsible for the administration of the subsidy scheme. The uncertainty in the number of plants used for the hedgerows is not estimated but is assumed very low because of the subsidy system. There is an unknown uncertainty in the number of un-registered removals of hedgerows. A linear approach has therefore been made for "missing" hedges over the years.

Establishment of wetlands is based on vector maps received from every county in Denmark. The uncertainty is not estimated but assumed low due to the subsidy system.

As shown in Figure 6.9 and 6.10, the increase in carbon stock as estimated by C-TOOL seems close to the results from the paired soil samples in figure 6.11.

6.4.11 Recalculations

2026 submission

A minor recalculation has been made for the total organic area (<50 ha).

The agricultural sector has updated the amount of excreted animal manure for the whole period, 1990 to 2023 to lower amounts of manure. This has led to a increase in the modelled emission for mineral soils for the whole period. A minor recalculation of the deforested area has affected all biomass calculation in the Cropland sector.

6.4.12 Planned improvements

The organic soil verification project initiated in 2021 will update the emission CH_4 and N_2O factors from organic soils, see also Section 6.4.11. It is expected that the results will be ready for implementation in the 2027 submission.

A new analysis of biomass in hedges and other biotopes based on the most recent DEM is being performed and is expected to be implemented in the inventory in 2028 or 2029.

The C-TOOL model 2.3 is expected to updated to version R3.0 in near future.

Changed definitions of the soil subcategories for mineral soils has created a new soil map for mineral soils (Møller et al., 2024). This will be implemented in the C-Tool modelling and near future.

During 2025, an analysis of the ditch area on organic soils in Denmark will be conducted in order to raise emission estimates from DOC from Tier 1 to Tier 2 in the 2027 submission.

6.5 Grassland

Grassland emissions and removals are covered by CRT 4.C.

Grassland (GL) is defined in the land use matrix as the remaining land category after subtracting the areas of Settlements, Forest land, Cropland, Wetlands and Other land from the total land area. As Cropland includes all perennial woody areas such as hedgerows, fruit plantations and other wooded

areas that do not qualify as forest, no perennial woody crops are reported in Grassland. Thus, Grassland consists of heathland, scrubland, meadows and marginal agricultural grazed land.

For inventory purposes, Grassland is further split into grazing grassland and other grassland. Grazing grassland is the area with permanent grassland as recorded by Statistics Denmark. Other grassland is the difference between the total Grassland area in the land use matrix and the area with permanent grassland reported by Statistics Denmark.

6.5.1 Grassland area

The total area with Grassland has been estimated in the Land Use Matrix. In 1990, the total area was 153 386 hectares and in 2024 the area had increased to 191 121 hectares. This is quite a small area of around 4.2 % of the total land area of 4.3 mil. ha, however, this is also impacted by the uncertainty to accurately report conversions between Grassland and Cropland. According to Statistics Denmark, there are 221 916 ha of permanent Grassland in 2024, cf. Table 6.17. This means that part of what is reported by Statistics Denmark, technically is reported under Cropland.

As C stock changes in the mineral soils are modelled as a whole with C-TOOL, the allocation between Cropland and Grassland has no effect on the emission estimates from that main emission source. CO_2 emissions from mineral soils estimated with C-TOOL are reported under Cropland remaining Cropland regardless of whether the area is categorised as Cropland or Grassland, except where land use conversion into Cropland has taken place. The area of Grassland and estimated emissions from Grassland are shown in Table 6.26. The emission from organic soils has increased due to a conversion of Cropland organic soils to permanent Grassland organic soils.

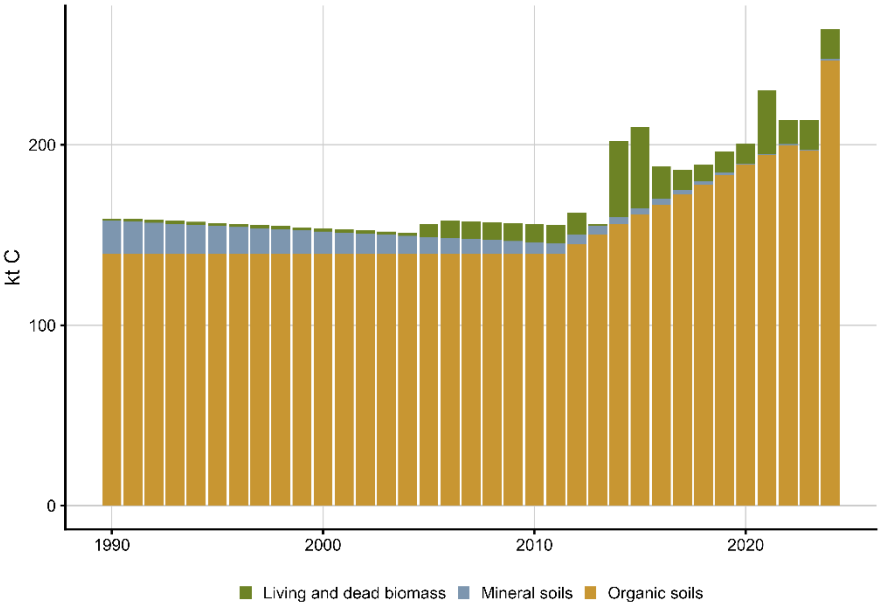


Figure 6.16 Emissions (kt C) from Grassland 1990-2024 by source.

Table 6.26 Total area and annual emissions 1990 to 2024 from Grassland.

Grassland	1990	2000	2010	2020	2022	2023	2024
Area, 1000 ha	153.4	147.9	149.3	176.6	188.3	187.1	191.1
Living and dead biomass, kt C	1.0	1.8	10.1	11.2	13.5	16.4	16.6
Mineral soils, kt C	18.6	12.5	6.6	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.7
Organic soils, kt C	139.5	139.5	139.5	188.8	199.8	196.8	246.9
Total, kt C	159.0	153.7	156.2	200.6	213.9	213.9	264.1
CH_4, kt CH_4	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.9	4.1	4.0	5.0
N_2O, kt N_2O	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
C, kt CO_2 eqv.	583.2	563.7	572.6	735.7	784.4	784.3	968.4
CH_4, kt CO_2 eqv.	83.8	83.8	83.8	108.3	113.8	111.6	138.6
N_2O, kt CO_2 eqv.	0.002	0.053	0.195	0.092	0.058	0.276	0.068
Total, kt CO_2 eqv.	666.9	647.5	656.6	844.1	898.3	896.2	1107.1

6.5.2 Grassland remaining grassland and land converted to Grassland

The emissions and removals from Grassland remaining Grassland are covered by CRT 4.C.1. Denmark is an intensive agricultural country small fields where cropland and grassland is mixed, making it difficult to distinguish between dedicated cropland and dedicated grassland. According to the LPIS, there are approx. 120 000 fields of total 237 000 ha with permanent grassland in 2024 giving an average field size of 2 ha.

Emissions and removals from land converted to Grassland is covered by CRT 4.C.2. All land areas converted to Grassland is converted from either Cropland or Forest land. As agricultural land (reported as Cropland) covers more than 60 % of the total land area. To reduce the environmental impact, it has been a political priority to incentivize turning cropland into grassland or forest.

The area converted from other land uses to Grassland now is based on use the digital field maps from LPIS, see Section 6.2.

Areas used for gravel pits are normally converted to Grassland. The standard procedure is to remove the topsoil before the digging starts, return it again after, and then the area is turned into marginal grassland or a recreational area. To reduce the extent of land conversions, areas with gravel pits are converted directly from Cropland to Grassland instead of Cropland to Settlement to Grassland. As an example of an open gravel pit and a restored area adjacent, please see: Hedeland resort.

6.5.3 Methodological issues

The area for grazing grassland is the area reported by statistics Denmark and the rest of the grassland is the residual part of the grassland area. The area with organic soils in grassland is estimated from the organic soil map (Beucher et al, 2023) with an overlay the LPIS map. Permanent grass fields are those reported by the farmers as permanent grassland according to the guidance for the LPIS database (Danish Agricultural Agency, 2025).

6.5.4 Change in carbon stock in living biomass

No changes in living biomass are assumed for Grassland remaining Grassland. For grazing grassland, a gain value of 4 560 kg C per hectare is used, and for "Other grassland" not purely free of woody trees/bushes, it is assumed that there is a living biomass of 4 180 kg C per hectare.

However, due to a high inter-annual land use conversion between especially Grassland and Cropland, resulting in an overall decrease in the area of Grassland remaining Grassland, this land use category is showing a loss in carbon stock over time. This has some effect on the allocation of the emissions in the inventory, but limited net effect, as the estimated loss is often countered by an increase in C in living biomass for the land use category, to which Grassland is converted.

For land converted to grazing grassland, a default gain value of 4 560 kg C ha^{-1} is used. For "Other grassland" not purely free of woody trees/bushes, it is assumed that there is a living biomass of 4 180 kg C ha^{-1}. See also DM figures in Table 6.14. For conversion from DM to C, a default fraction of 0.5 kg C kg^{-1} DM is used. The gain value is always countered by the living biomass C stock value of the former land use category, determining whether the change results in a net gain or a net loss.

For transparency issue is the area in CRT 4C2 in land converted from Cropland to Grassland reported as the area converted in the respective year and not as the area converted over the last 30 years.

For conversion from Grassland to other land use categories, the same biomass estimates are used but recorded as a loss of carbon in the respective category (4A2, 4B2, 4D2 and 4E2).

6.5.5 Change in carbon stock in dead organic matter

No changes in dead organic matter (DOM) are estimated for Grassland remaining Grassland, as this is assumed not occurring for this category.

For land converted to Grassland, DOM is generally assumed as not occurring (NO), as no DOM is reported for the majority of land use categories. However, for Forest land converted to Grassland, it is assumed that all DOM from the forest will be cleared, and instant oxidation will take place. This C loss is reported in Grassland. Due to current forest harvest practises (chipping), no significant amount of DOM is left on site. The actual amount of C lost depends on which type of forest is converted and estimated via the annual NFI. N_2O emissions from DOM decomposition is covered by Section 6.11.

6.5.6 Change in carbon stock in soils

No change in the carbon stock in Grassland mineral soils is reported, which can be seen as purely uncultivated grassland. For grasslands that are part of the agricultural area as defined by the LPIS, the emission is included under Cropland and therefore reported as 'Included Elsewhere' (IE) under Grassland. See Section 6.4.6.

The estimation of emission from organic soils is undertaken using the same methodology as for Cropland, see section 6.4.

Since 2010 there has been a marginalisation of croplands turning into grassland, thus increasing the reported area with grass, and hence increasing the emission of CO_2 and CH_4 from Grassland over the last decade, see Table 6.27. Leached carbon from Grassland is based on default emission factors from the IPCC Wetland Supplement (IPCC, 2014).

Table 6.27 CO_2 emissions from drained Grassland on organic soils 1990 to 2024.

	30761	30761	30761	39790	41797	40981	50911
Grassland, total, ha	131.1	131.1	131.1	177.7	188.1	185.2	232.4
hEmission, drained land, kt C	8.3	8.3	8.3	11.1	11.8	11.6	14.5
Emission from leached C, kt C	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.9	4.1	4.0	5.0
CH_4, kt CH_4	595.2	595.2	595.2	800.8	846.5	833.2	1043.8
Emission, total, kt CO_2-eqv.	30761	30761	30761	39790	41797	40981	50911

N_2O emissions from organic soils from Grassland are reported under Agriculture, CRT 3D. See Chapter 5, Section 5.6.

Change in carbon stock in soils for land converted to Grassland

When land is converted into GL, the change in C stock in the soil is estimated as the difference between the estimated equilibrium state of GL (125.3 t C ha^{-1}) and the equilibrium C state of the soil for the old land use category. The actual C change therefore depends on which type of land it is converted from, see Table 6.15. To reach the new equilibrium state, the transition period of 30 years is used.

For changes on mineral soils from another land use to Grassland, as defined by the Land Use Matrix, the emission is estimated by C-TOOL and included under Cropland. It is therefore reported as IE under Grassland. See Section 6.4.6.

N_2O emissions from land converted to Grassland are reported with Agriculture, see also Section 6.11.

6.5.7 Uncertainties and time series consistency

The time series are complete.

Uncertainty estimates are given in Table 6.28.

Table 6.28 Tier 1 uncertainty analysis for Grassland for 2024.Total emission are included biomass burning.

		1990	2024					
		Emission/ sink, kt CO_2 eqv.	Emission/ sink, kt CO_2 eqv.	Activity data, %	Emission factor, %	Combined uncertainty	Total, uncertainty, %	Uncertainty, 95 %, kt CO_2 eqv.
4.C Grassland		666.9	1 107.1				42.3	468.3
4.C.1 Grassland remaining grassland, Living biomass	CO_2	0.0	0.0	3	7	7.4	NA	NA
4.C.1 Grassland remaining grassland, Organic soils	CO_2	480.9	852.1	3	50	50.1	50.1	427.0
4.C.2 Forest land converted to Grassland	CO_2	IE, NA	12.3	10	50	51.0	51.0	6.3
4.C.2 Other land uses converted to Grassland	CO_2	71.8	51.0	10	50	51.0	51.0	26.0
4(II) Grassland on organic soils	CO_2	30.6	53.0	3	40	40.1	40.1	21.3
4(II) Grassland on organic soils	CH_4	83.8	138.6	10	90	90.6	90.6	125.5
4(V) Biomass Burning, Grassland	CH_4	0.002	0.003	10	30	31.6	31.6	0.001
4(V) Biomass burning, Grassland	N_2O	0.002	0.002	10	30	31.6	31.6	0.001
4(III) Mineralization/immobilization, Grassland	N_2O	0.000	0.066	10	90	90.6	NA	NA

6.5.8 QA/QC and verification

See QA/QC and verification in Section 6.4.

6.5.9 Recalculations

The CO_2-C for Grassland has been recalculated for the organic soils. See section 6.4.4 and 6.4.11

A minor revision of the Land Use Matrix has been implemented.

6.5.10 Planned improvements

The organic soil verification project initiated in 2021 will update the emission CH_4 and N_2O factors from organic soils, see Section 6.4.11. It is expected that the results will be ready for implementation in the 2027 submission.

An update of the area with ditches will be implemented in near future.

6.6 Wetlands

Wetlands emissions and removals are covered by CRT 4.D and CRT 4(II).

In Denmark, wetlands include the two main categories of wetlands; flooded wetlands (permanently water covered) and periodically water covered wetlands[6]. Flooded wetlands are lakes and rivers with a permanent water cover throughout the year. Areas and CH_4 emission from flooded Wetlands are reported in CRT 4(II) under 4.D.2.2. For inventory purposes, the Wetland categories are further subdivided into managed and unmanaged land. All wetlands in Denmark are categorised as managed except for lakes and water sheds, fens and bogs present before 1990. Potential emissions from unmanaged areas are not included in the inventory (IPCC, 2006).

Wetland emissions make up only a minor share of the total LULUCF emissions. There is some year-to-year variation in the emissions from Wetlands due to a decreased production of peat for horticultural purposes which is counteracted by an increased area of rewetted land since 1990. Over the years, the annual reported emission averages 150-200 kt CO_2 eqv. per year. The predominant emission sources have also changed since 1990. The area of peat extraction has been halved, resulting in reduced losses of C from this land use, meanwhile the total area of wetlands, and especially re-established wetlands on organic soils from Cropland and Grassland, has increased, causing higher total emissions of CH_4. All Wetlands make up 133 662 hectares in 2024, equal to around 3 % of the Danish terrestrial area. Total area and emissions from 1990-2024 can be seen in Table 6.27.

[6] IPCC CRT category term for periodically covered wetlands: Other wetlands.

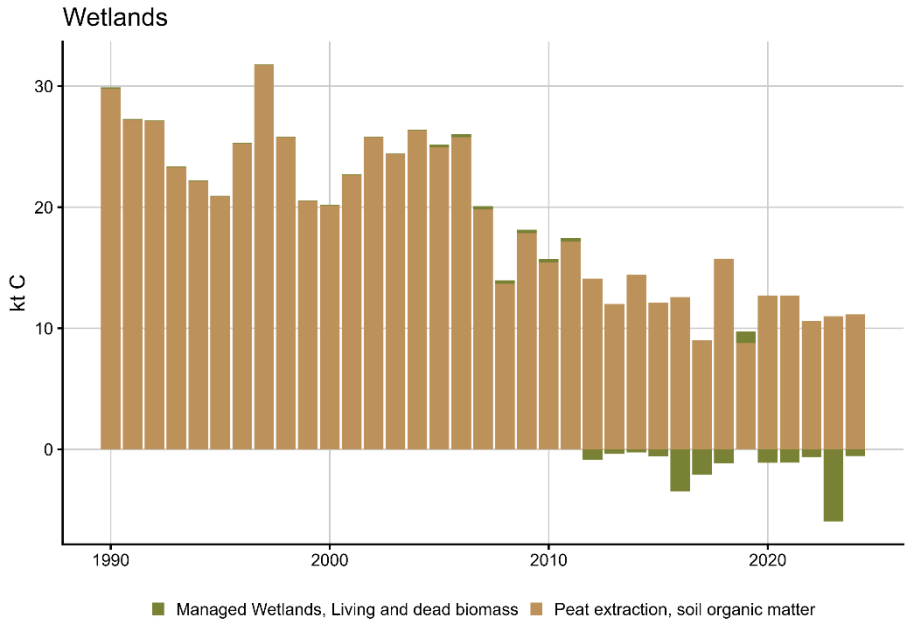


Figure 6.17 Emissions and sequestration (kt C) from Wetlands 1990-2024 by source.

Table 6.29 Total area and annual emissions 1990 to 2024 from Wetlands.

Wetlands	1990	2000	2010	2020	2022	2023	2024
Flooded area, lakes, 1000 ha	59.4	60.1	61.2	64.9	66.2	67.0	67.7
Periodically water covered, 1000 ha	48.2	48.4	49.2	58.6	61.5	63.7	65.2
Peat extraction area, 1000 ha	1.6	1.6	1.6	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8
Wetlands, total, 1000 ha	109.3	110.1	112.0	124.3	128.5	131.5	133.7
Managed Wetlands, Living and dead biomass, kt C	0.1	0.1	0.3	-1.1	-0.6	-5.9	-0.6
Peat extraction, soil organic matter, kt C	29.8	20.1	15.4	12.7	10.6	11.0	11.2
Total, kt C	29.9	20.2	15.7	11.6	10.0	5.0	10.6
CH_4, kt CH_4	0.1	0.1	0.4	3.2	4.2	5.0	5.6
N_2O, kt N_2O	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
C, kt CO_2 eqv.	109.7	74.0	57.7	42.5	36.7	18.5	38.9
CH_4, kt CO_2 eqv	1.5	3.2	11.3	88.3	118.4	140.9	157.1
N_2O, kt CO_2 eqv.	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Total, kt CO_2 eqv.	111.3	77.4	69.2	130.9	155.2	159.5	196.1

6.6.1 Wetland area

In the beginning of 1990, the total area with Wetland was estimated to be 109 291 hectares. By the end of 2024, this area had increased to 133 663 hectares (Fig. 6.18). The area for Wetlands remaining Wetlands is primarily based on data from the Danish Geodata Agency and Natura 2000 maps (moors and other natural habitats). The area with peat excavation is a vector map layer made by DCE based on aerial photos of the three excavation sites. All locations are nutrient-poor raised bogs. The area of the open surface peat extraction is about 300 hectares (Larsen, 2014). Based on the aerial photos, it is estimated that 800 hectares are continuously affected by drainage from the extraction activities. The actual three locations are Fuglsø Mose on Djursland, Lille Vildmose and Store Vildmose, both in Northern Jutland.

Figure 6.18 provides a recent depiction (2023) of the geographic distribution of established wetlands and areas with increased water tables since 1990. The year 2020 is the earliest year that Wetlands converted from other land use categories area can be included in the Wetlands remaining Wetlands category

due to the assumption that Wetlands present before 1990 are unmanaged. All Wetlands established after 1990 included on the map. All wetlands established since 1990 included are in the emission reporting for Wetlands in Table4(II), as these are considered as managed in contradiction to Wetlands occurring before 1990.

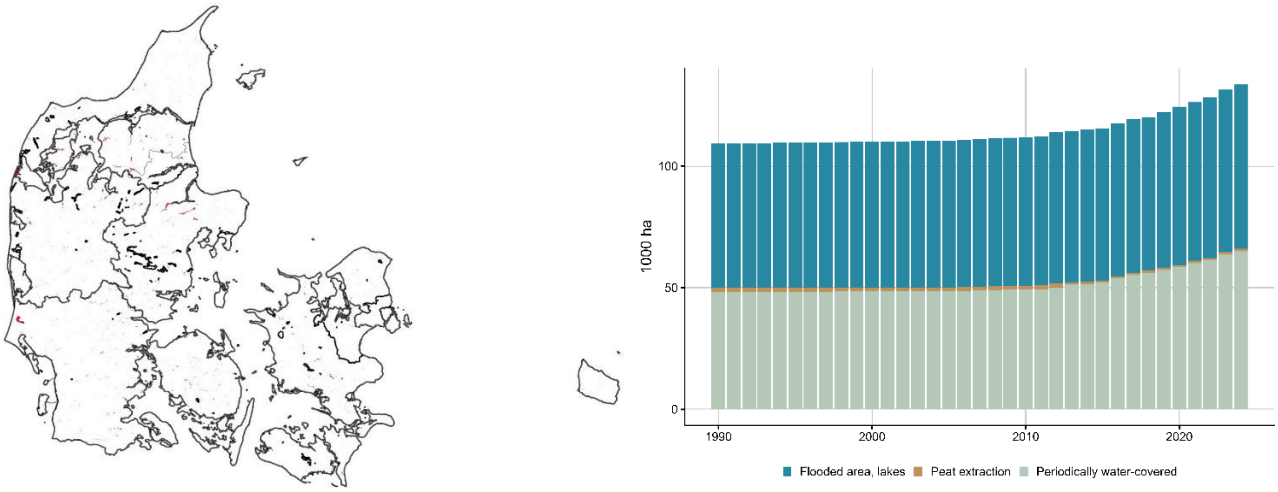


Figure 6.18 Left: Areas with established wetlands and increased water tables from 1990 to 2023, in total 22 243 hectares. Right: Total area (1000 hectares) of wetlands by type, 1990-2024.

6.6.2 Wetlands remaining wetlands and Land converted to Wetlands

The reporting for Wetlands remaining Wetlands includes only land, which was considered as Wetlands before 1990, subdivided in area for peat extraction, flooded land and periodically flooded land. No emissions are reported for land which were considered as flooded or periodically flooded land before 1990, as no guidance is given in the 2006 IPCC Guidelines.

Of the area under the Wetlands remaining Wetlands category, 59 448 ha were lakes and rivers before 1990 - increasing to 66 992 ha by the end of 2024, all inside the > 7 000 km long coastline. In the beginning of 1990, the total area with periodically covered wetlands remaining wetlands was estimated to be 49 834 hectares. By the end of 2024, the area with periodically water covered wetlands remaining wetlands had increased to 64 542 hectares.

Emissions and removals from land converted to Wetland is reported in CRT 4.D.2 and Table 4(II). In order to restore nature and reduce the environmental impact, Denmark has actively re-established wetlands (Figure 6.12). The size of each restoration project ranges from less than 1 ha and up to 2 500 ha. The public benefit of the restoration programme is both an increase in the natural areas (i.e. non-agricultural use and not settlement), a reduction in leaching of nitrogen into lakes, rivers and coastal waters, and a reduction of C losses as emissions in relation to former Cropland on organic soils. The establishment of wetlands takes place either as large areas turned into lakes (flooded) or low laying fens (periodically water covered).

Between 1990 and 2024, 24 372 ha of new Wetlands have been established. These are primarily established on Cropland and Grassland and a small area of primarily state-owned forests. Of this, 7 758 hectares are converted into new lakes. A major part is restored as government-managed and -funded projects as a part of the Danish Action Plan for the Aquatic Environment part two (VMP II, 1997-2006). The establishment of new Wetland areas often takes

place in connection to existing wetlands. A minor area has been converted from Wetland to other land uses, which must be subtracted from the total Wetland.

Water reservoirs for human purposes have not been established for the past 100 years and hence are not occurring.

6.6.3 Methodological issues

As elaborated, approximately 300 hectares are utilized for peat extraction, but 800 hectares organic soils are drained and affected by the excavation activity. Aside for the area, the amount of excavated peat from each individual extraction site is used as activity data. The amount is reported to and published by Statistics Denmark on an annual basis (www.dst.dk, Table RST1).

For land converted to Wetlands, geographical vector layers are available for almost all established wetlands, and information on wetland restauration areas for various years are available from the Danish Agricultural Agency (Danish Agricultural Agency, 2025a).

No emissions are estimated from flooded land occurring before 1990 as the IPCC 2006 guidelines do not provide any methodology. Consequently, the whole timeseries is reported as 'Not Estimated' (NE).

6.6.4 Change in carbon stock in living biomass

No changes in living biomass are occurring for Wetlands remaining Wetlands (CRT 4.D.1).

For land converted to periodically covered wetland (CRT 4.D.2.3), a standard default gain value of 3 600 kg DM (dry matter) per hectare in above ground biomass and 1 200 kg DM per hectare in below ground biomass is used. For conversion from DM to carbon, a default fraction of 0.5 kg C kg^{-1} DM is used (IPCC 2014), see values for the different land use categories in Table 6.15. If the living biomass C stock was higher in the former land use category, the difference is accounted as instantly oxidized through a C stock loss reported under Wetlands.

For conversion from Wetlands to other land use categories, the same values are applied and recorded as a loss of carbon in the respective land use category of 'conversion to' (4A2, 4B2, 4C2 and 4E2).

6.6.5 Change in carbon stock in dead organic matter

Dead organic matter (DOM) is not occurring for Wetlands remaining Wetlands (CRT 4.D.1).

Dead organic matter for land converted to Wetlands is reported in CRT 4.D.2. When Forest land is converted to Wetlands, it is assumed that DOM will be submerged and not degrade and thus reported as "NA". The latest UNFCCC review indicated that this is in accordance with the 2006 IPCC Guidelines. For the next submission this will be investigated further if instant oxidation should be implemented. The area is very marginal, around 5 ha per year. Emissions associated with DOM from conversion from other categories than Forest land is assumed as NO, as no DOM is reported for these categories.

6.6.6 Change in carbon stock in soils

The surface emission from the open peat extraction areas is calculated according to Tier 1 from the 2013 Wetlands Supplement (IPCC 2014).

The total amount of peat excavated is decreasing and has been reduced 63 % from 399 000 m^3 in 1990 to 146 000 m^3 in 2024.

For conversion to carbon, a density factor of 390 kgm^{-3} is used, applying information directly from Pindstrup Mosebrug A/S (pers. com. Sven Erik Lang, 2023), who is responsible for the majority of the extraction sites. Furthermore, a DM fraction of 0.49, an ash fraction of 0.02 and a carbon content of 0.34 kg C kg^{-1} OM are applied.

In 2024, the change in C stock in soil from peat extraction areas resulted in emissions of 35.6 kt CO_2 eqv.

For other wetland areas in Wetlands remaining Wetlands, no changes are reported.

For land converted to Wetlands, either periodically covered wetlands or flooded wetlands (lakes), it is assumed that no carbon sequestration or carbon loss occur (IPCC, 2006; 2014) as the figures in the Wetland Supplement are within the uncertainty range for temperate and cold climates applicable to Denmark.

6.6.7 CH_4 and N_2O emissions

The CH_4 and N_2O emissions from peatland extraction areas are based on the 2013 Wetland Supplement and apply the emission factors of 33.20 kg CH_4 ha^{-1} and 0.3 kg N_2O-N ha^{-1}(IPCC 2014). These factors are further elaborated in Sections 6.10 and 6.11.

According to the 2013 Wetlands Supplement, the N_2O emission is negligible from restored wetlands (IPCC, 2014: Chapter 3). Therefore, no N_2O emission has been estimated for land converted to Wetlands.

According to the 2013 Wetlands Supplement, the CH_4 emission is 216 kg CH_4-C ha^{-1} for temperate areas, equivalent to 288 kg CH_4 ha^{-1} or 8064 kg CO_2 eqv. ha^{-1}, from restored rich wetlands with more than 12 % OC (IPCC, 2014: Chapter 3, Table 3.3). For rewetted organic soils (> 12 % OC), the default EF of 288 kg CH_4 ha^{-1} from the IPCC 2013 Wetland Supplement is used. For rewetted mineral soils (0-12 % OC) the default EF of 235 kg CH_4 ha^{-1} from the IPCC 2013 Wetland Supplement is applied. See section 6.6.9 for further details.

For land converted to flooded land (lakes) is used the default value of 183 CH_4-C ha^{-1} from IPCC (2019). Uncertainties and time series consistency

Table 6.30 shows the emission estimates and estimated uncertainties for Wetlands.

Table 6.30 Tier 1 uncertainty analysis for Wetlands remaining Wetlands and re-established Wetlands for 1990 and 2024.

		1990	2024					
		Emission/ sink, kt CO_2 eqv.	Emission/ sink, kt CO_2 eqv.	Activity data, %	Emission factor, %	Combined uncertainty	Total, uncertainty, %	Uncertainty, 95 %, kt CO_2 eqv.
4.D Wetlands		111.3	196.1				56.0	109.8
4.D.1.1 Peat extraction remaining peat extraction	CO_2	109.2	40.9	10	75	75.7	75.7	31.0
4.D.1.2 Flooded land remaining flooded land	CO_2	0.0	0.0	10	75	75.7	0.0	0.0
4.D.2. Land converted to wetlands	CO_2	0.5	-2.0	10	75	75.7	75.7	1.5
4(II) Land converted to flooded land	CH_4	0.0	31.6	10	90	90.6	90.6	28.6
4(II) Land converted to partly water covered land	CH_4	0.0	124.8	10	90	90.6	90.6	113.0
4(II) Peatland	CH_4	1.5	0.7	10	90	90.6	90.6	0.7
4(II) Peat extraction remaining peat extraction	N_2O	0.2	0.1	10	90	90.6	90.6	0.1

The time series are complete.

6.6.8 Recalculations

In the emission estimates has been included a default emission of 183 CH_4-C ha^{-1} from IPCC (2019).

A minor recalculation in the overall Wetland area has been made in 2024 due to a change in the Land Use Matrix and the area distribution between mineral and organic soil.

6.6.9 Planned improvements

We are working forward to implement the GWT map (see Cropland section) for the whole area with organic soils in Denmark to improve estimates of CH_4 emissions through modelling. However further verification of the GWT map in Wetlands and an appropriate emission function is still needed.

6.6.10 QA/QC and verification

The peat excavation area has been verified with aerial photos, and the amount of excavated peat is reported by Statistics Denmark.

The area with new WE is recorded in relation to subsidies for new wetlands in Denmark as recorded by the Danish Agricultural Agency, now SGAV.

6.7 Settlements

Emissions and removals from Settlements are covered by CRT 4.E. Settlements are defined by developed land including transportation infrastructure and human settlements.

Emissions from Settlements are primarily limited to estimated losses in the soil carbon stock from conversion from the previous land use. The default carbon stock in SE is estimated to 96.6 tonnes C ha^{-1} (80 % of default carbon stock in Cropland). The total emission has been estimated to 265 kt CO_2 eqv. in 2024. Settlements emissions have decreased over time as the land conversion to Settlements has decreased. It is assumed that there are no changes in the C stock for remaining Settlements, and hence all reported emissions relate to changes from other land uses to Settlements, causing e.g. instant oxidation of living biomass, and a C stock loss from the soil that occurs linearly over 30 years.

The total Settlements area has been estimated to 497 829 hectares by the end of 1990 increasing to 559 117 hectares by the end of 2024, corresponding to an increase of 13 % of the total Danish area (Table 6.31). All Settlements are assumed to be located on mineral soils.

Table 6.31 Total area and annual emissions 1990 to 2024 from Settlements[a].

Settlements	1990	2000	2010	2020	2022	2023	2024
Settlement remaining Settlement, 1000 ha	367.1	407.4	460.3	497.8	499.7	500.6	501.5
Land converted to Settlements, 1000 ha	130.8	99.6	63.0	52.7	55.9	56.7	57.6
Settlement, total, 1000 ha	497.8	507.0	523.2	550.6	555.6	557.3	559.1
Living and dead biomass, kt C	12.7	9.9	29.8	7.6	28.2	27.1	19.1
Soil, kt C	109.2	83.1	52.5	44.3	47.2	47.8	48.6
Total, kt C	121.9	92.9	82.3	52.0	75.4	74.8	67.7
N_2O, kt N_2O	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
C, kt CO_2 eqv.	447.1	340.8	301.8	190.5	276.6	274.4	248.4
N_2O, kt CO_2 eqv.	37.9	28.8	18.0	14.9	15.8	16.0	16.3
Total, kt CO_2 eqv.	485.1	369.6	319.9	205.4	292.4	290.4	264.6

[a] Rounding may result in minor deviations in the table and from the CRTs.

6.7.1 Settlements remaining settlements and land converted to Settlements

The annual changes in carbon stock in settlements remaining settlements is assumed to be negligible, and all changes are thus reported as NA in the CRT 4.E.

No changes are reported to the area with Settlements remaining settlements.

Emissions from land converted to Settlements are covered by CRT 4.E.2. Land use conversion to Settlements is mostly taking place around the big cities and primarily on Cropland areas. 54 269 ha of Cropland has been converted over the last 30 years, and 7 297 ha of Grassland has been converted to Settlements in the same period.

6.7.2 Methodological issues

The area of Settlements is estimated based on publicly available cadastral maps, the topographical database of 2005 and 2011, the Danish building register and the Danish areal information system, see Section 6.2.1. The area increases as Settlement areas established >30 years ago are transferred from Land converted to Settlement to Settlements remaining Settlements. These are based on the original date of the registration of the land parcel in the cadastral maps, e.g. a change from agricultural land to a permanent residence or a road.

The area converted to Settlements is based on area statistics, cadastral maps and other digital maps to establish the land use matrix from 1960. For simplicity, and for the years 1990 to 2011, only three occasions are used (1990, 2005 and 2011) with a linear interpolation in the area in the years between. Annual recorded changes in cadastral maps are used to estimate the annual changes from 2011 and onwards. The increase in Settlements is relatively stable, and the minor area fluctuations are most likely the result of major road and railway constructions being completed and included, or due to the definitions applied to the registrations change slightly over the years, see section 6.7.8.

Conversion from Settlements to other land use categories does not occur.

6.7.3 Change in carbon stock in living biomass

No changes in carbon stocks are reported for Settlements remaining Settlements.

For land converted to Settlements, a default gain value of 2 200 kg dry matter (DM) ha^{-1} in above ground biomass and 2 200 kg DM ha^{-1} in below ground biomass is used. For conversion from DM to carbon, a default fraction of 0.5 kg C kg^{-1} DM is used (IPCC 2014), see Table 6.15. Living biomass values for the former land use category are assumed instantly oxidized and this loss is reported under SE.

Estimating actual carbon stock in Settlements is challenging due to the multi-purpose of Settlements from fully build up areas with no carbon stocks to parks with a substantial high carbon stock. The above-mentioned DM parameters are developed considering the proportion of greenspace in Settlements under three classes (low greenspace proportion, medium greenspace proportion and high greenspace proportion) and best guess country-specific assumptions of the average amount of biomass carbon content in each class taking into account some default parameters in the 2006 IPCC Guidelines (vol. 4): (1) the above-ground biomass amount of roadside and garden is assumed to be about half of the default peak biomass value for annual crops (IPCC, 2006, table 5.9), and (2) the root-to-shoot ratios are assumed to be about 1 when considering the range of default values for trees (about 0.2–0.4, table 4.4) and grasses (2.8 to 4.0, table 6.1).

6.7.4 Change in carbon stock in dead organic matter

No changes in carbon stocks of dead organic matter are reported for settlements remaining settlements.

When Forest land is converted to Settlements, it is assumed that all DOM and litter will be cleared, and an instant oxidation effect is applied. Conversion from other categories is reported as not applicable (NA), as no DOM is reported for other land use categories.

The decomposition of the organic carbon in the DOM also release nitrogen, causing N_2O emissions, reported on in Section 6.12 and covered by CRT 4 (III).

6.7.5 Change in carbon stock in soils

No changes in carbon stock in soils are reported for Settlements remaining Settlements.

A default value of 96.6 t C ha^{-1} is applied for Settlements (Table 6.14), calculated as 80 % of the carbon stock in mineral agricultural soils, as the 2006 IPCC Guidelines assume that 20 % of the SOC can be lost (IPCC 2006, Chapter 8.3.3.2). For all areas converted from other land use to SE, it is assumed that the equilibrium state will be reached after 30 years, and the annual loss is reported as 1/30 of the total decrease in C.

N_2O emissions from decomposition of the organic carbon in the soils is also covered by section 6.12 and CRT 4 (III).

6.7.6 Uncertainties and time series consistency

Uncertainty estimates and emissions for land converted to settlements are shown in Table 6.32.

Table 6.32 Tier 1 uncertainty analysis for Settlements for 2024.

		1990	2024					
		Emission/ sink, kt CO_2 eqv.	Emission/ sink, kt CO_2 eqv.	Activity data, %	Emission factor, %	Combined uncertainty	Total, uncertainty, %	Uncertainty, 95 %, Gg CO_2 eqv.
4.E Settlements		485.1	264.6				56.4	149.2
4.E.2 Forest land converted to Settlements	CO_2	0.0	62.4	10	75	75.7	75.7	47.2
4.E.2 Other land uses converted to Settlements	CO_2	447.1	186.0	10	75	75.7	75.7	140.7
4(III) Mineralization/immobilization, Land converted to Settlements	N_2O	37.9	16.3	10.0	90.0	90.6	90.6	14.7

The time series are complete.

6.7.7 QA/QC and verification

Changes in the Settlements area are based on statutory registers and thus very reliable.

6.7.8 Recalculations

Recalculations have been made for the whole timeseries due to a minor update of the Land Use Matrix.

6.7.9 Planned improvements

A subdivision of Settlements into different area categories is planned according to the proportion of greenspace. It will likely be available for the 2027 submission.

6.8 Other Land

Emissions and removals from Other land is covered by CRT 4.F. The land area is defined as land with little or no vegetation and consequently no or very limited carbon stocks, both as living or dead biomass or as carbon in the soil. No permanent snow cover exists in Denmark. Other land is thus restricted to beaches and sand dunes and a very small, insignificant area with rocks and cliffs, in total estimated to 26 575 hectares in all years.

As the area is kept constant in the land use matrix over the entire period of the inventory, no land use change from Forest land (4.A), Cropland (4.B), Grassland (4.C), Wetlands (4.D) or Settlements (4.E) is reported and therefore no emissions are reported either.

6.9 Land reclamation from the Sea

The update of the land use matrix includes land reclaimed for new harbour areas and new settlements around the major cities, see table 6.5. In total, the Danish land area has been increased with 538 hectares from 1990 to 2024. Minor areas due to loss of land to the sea (a new lineation of the coastline outside the cities) has not been implemented. It is expected that the reclaimed land will have the same carbon stocks as the stock in the land converted to and hence not have an effect on the carbon stock estimates.

6.10 Direct N_2O emissions from N fertilization of Forest Land and Other Land use

No emissions are reported in the CRT 4(I) that covers direct nitrous oxide (N_2O) emissions from nitrogen inputs to managed soils. Since there is only one common national statistic for N fertilization in agriculture and forestry, the minor share of fertilization taking place in the Danish forests is reported under Agriculture in chapter 5 of the inventory and covered by CRT 3.Ds1. Data from the Danish nitrogen fertiliser accounts are controlled by the and made available annually for inventory purposes by the SGAV as part of the Ministry of Food, Agriculture and Fisheries (Danish Agricultural Agency, 2023).

6.11 Emissions and removals from drainage and rewetting and other management of organic and mineral soils

Emissions from drainage and other management of the soils are elaborated in this section and covered by CRT 4(II). They are described further in the sections of their respective land use categories.

6.11.1 Methodological issues

The CO_2 emissions reported here relate to drainage, causing leaching of C in the form of dissolved organic carbon (DOC) and are reported for Cropland and Grassland. DOC is a fraction of C with a very small particle size related to the process of decomposition of organic matter vulnerable to loss through leaching. The methodology from the 2013 Wetland Supplement is used for this purpose. Leached carbon from Cropland and Grassland is not elaborated here, as it is covered in their own respective sections, see sections 6.4.7 and 6.5.6.

Emissions of N_2O in this chapter relates to the N being mineralized in the soils. These N_2O emissions reported here only concern Forest land and Wetlands, since all N-related emissions from Cropland and Grassland are covered by Agriculture CRT 3.D. Very few data exist for N_2O emissions in Danish forests. A Tier 1 emission factor of 2.8 kg N_2O-N ha^{-1} $year^{-1}$ drained forest soil from the 2013 Wetland Supplement is applied (IPCC, 2014 - Table 2.5).

CH_4 emissions also occur if soils are rewetted or only shallow drained, resulting in occurrences of anaerobic conditions. CH_4 emissions apply to all organic soils affected by these activities and thus are reported for all relevant land use categories.

The rewetted areas are defined as wet areas that are still to some degree affected by former drainage and are not wet enough to be considered converted to Wetlands. the CH_4 emissions therefore still relate to the original land use category of Forest land, Cropland or Grassland. Rewetted Grassland is accounted for as drained grassland and therefore reported as 'IE' in CRT 4(II). Emissions from drained soils concern both Forest land, Cropland, Grassland and Wetlands.

6.11.2 Emissions of N_2O from drained soils – Forest land and Wetlands

The N_2O emissions from Forest land are described in detail in Section 6.3.4. Rewetted forest soils are assumed to have an N_2O emission corresponding to the natural level. The N_2O emissions from rewetted forest soils are therefore by default set to zero and the report only concerns the drained soils.

The emission factor of 2.8 (range 0.57 – 6.1) kg N_2O-N ha^{-1} $year^{-1}$ (Table 2.5 in IPCC 2014, p. 2.33) is applied to drained organic forest soils. The total N_2O emission from forest soils is estimated to 0.254 kt N_2O (67.1 kt CO_2 eqv.) in 1990 and 0.08 kt N_2O (22.1 kt CO_2 eqv.) in 2024 (CRT 4)).

N_2O emissions from drained Wetlands reported in the LULUC sector only apply to drained peat excavation areas and are negligible, at about 0.0004 kt N_2O (0.1 kt CO_2 eqv.) in 2024.

6.11.3 Emissions of CH_4 from drained and rewetted organic soils

All CH_4 emissions from the LULUCF sector are summarized in this section, and in 2024 amounted to 15.5 kt CH_4. This equals 435 kt CO_2 equivalents.

For forest soils, the CH_4 emission is based on the emission factors in Table 6.16 and include a default area of ditches of 2.5 % for (IPCC, 2014). They are described in Section 6.3.4.

For Cropland, the emissions are reported in Section 6.4.7 Change in carbon stock in soils.

For Grassland, the emissions are reported in Section 6.5.6.

6.12 Direct nitrous oxide (N_2O) emissions from nitrogen (N) mineralization/immobilization associated with loss/gain of soil organic matter

This section covers N_2O emissions from mineralization of N through decomposition of organic matter, which are reported in CRT 4(III). Emissions are also briefly described and covered in Section 6.3.4 for Forest land, Sections 6.4.6 and 6.4.7 for Cropland, Section 6.5.6 and Section 6.5.10 for Grassland and Section 6.6.7 for Wetlands.

In the context of the inventory and according to 2006 IPCC Guidelines, N_2O emissions are only estimated when there is a decrease of carbon in mineral soils or DOM. Soils lose carbon in cases where the land that is subject to land use conversion has a higher soil C equilibrium state in the initial land use as compared to the land us it is converted to. The land use conversions involving C loss are Forest land and Grassland to Cropland, and all land use conversions into Settlements. DOM decomposition only relates to Forest land conversions to other land uses, as no DOM is reported for the other categories.

6.12.1 Methodological issues

According to 2006 IPCC Guidelines a default fraction of 1 % of the total N content is assumed emitted as N_2O-N during mineralization following conversion of land use. This factor is applied both to the N content in soils that lose C and to the N content of DOM that is instantly oxidized following land use conversions from Forest land to other land uses.

Concerning Forest land, it is assumed that the forest floor containing the DOM disappears regardless of whether the land use conversion is into Cropland, Grassland, Wetlands or Settlement. Based on the NFI, an annually updated amount of DOM biomass, 16 t C per ha in 2024, together with a C:N value of 22 (Vejre et al., 2003), the average nitrogen content of forest floor DOM is calculated and used to estimate the N mineralized. For Forest soil C loss

concerning conversions to other land uses, the average C content of 142 t C per ha and the C:N ratio of 22 is applied.

For all conversions to agricultural soils (representing conversions to both Cropland and Grassland), N_2O emissions due to long-term changes in the carbon stock in the mineral soils are estimated by C-TOOL based on 20 subdivisions (regions and soil types) and reported under Agriculture, CRT 3D.1.5 and therefore as 'IE' in Table 4(III). The C:N ratio of the individual mineral soil type is used for the calculations, ranging from 10.53 to 15.89.

For estimation of the N_2O emissions from conversions of Cropland and Grassland to Settlements, the C loss is estimated from the average soil C stock of the respective land use classes (CL: 120.8 t C per ha, GL: 125.3 t C per ha) and the difference to Settlements (96.6 t C per ha), see Table 6.12, is combined with a C:N value of 12 for Cropland and 15 for Grassland.

6.12.2 Emissions of N_2O from deforestation and other land-use conversion

In 2024, the total emission of N_2O from mineralization of organic matter has been estimated to 0.17 kt N_2O, equivalent to 45.1 kt CO_2 eqv. The vast majority of this is due to conversion of Forest land to Cropland and Settlements. It reflects the expected release of N in the soil organic matter when soil organic matter is degraded in the process where land is converted to a land use class having a lower default soil carbon stock.

6.13 Biomass burning

Biomass burning is reported in CRT 4(V). Burning of forest and field burning of biomass is prohibited in Denmark, and burning of woody debris from hedgerows happens very rarely, as the biomass is often collected and used in power plants. Wildfires are seldom in Denmark and the area affected thus is small (Table 6.33). This is normally around 0-10 hectares per year, but due to the drought in 2018, the number of ha affected by wildfires increased to more than 2 000 hectares, mainly in Cropland and Grassland, the emissions of which are reported with Agriculture in chapter 5. Hence, in the LULUCF sector, only burned biomass from Forest land and heath (Grassland) is reported. Only CH_4 and N_2O emissions are included, as the impact to the standing C stock of the living biomass is assumed negligible, considering the historical trend. Some controlled burning of heathland is taking place to maintain the heathland vegetation. In 2024, 55 hectares were reported burnt, while the average over the last twenty years is 395 ha annually, from 2005 – 2024. Data on wild and controlled fires is collected by the Danish Nature Agency (DNA) for the period 1990 to 2024. The emission factors are taken from the 2006 IPCC Guidelines. The forest fires typically happen on poor sandy soils with more open forest stands, and the default standing wood volume is estimated by DNA at 150 m^3 of solid biomass per hectare, which is slightly lower than the average of the Danish forests. The fraction of above ground biomass burned for forests is taken from the guidelines (0.34). For heathland, DNA estimates are used: 50 m^3 solid biomass per ha of which a fraction of 0.33 AGB is considered burned.

Table 6.33 Burned areas in Forest and Heathland (Grassland) 1990 – 2024, ha per year.

	1990	2000	2010	2020	2022	2023	2024
Forest area burned, ha	150	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
Heathland area burned, ha	47	122	359	30	364	126	55
Total burned area, ha	197	122	359	30	364	126	55
Emission, CH_4, kt	0.03	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Emission, N_2O, kt[a]	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total, kt CO_2 eqv.	1.12	0.01	0.03	0.00	0.03	0.01	0.00

Uncertainty estimates are given in Table 6.34.

Table 6.34 Tier 1 uncertainty analysis for Biomass burning for 2024.

		1990	2024					
		Emission/ sink, kt CO_2 eqv.	Emission/ sink, kt CO_2 eqv.	Activity data, %	Emission factor, %	Combined uncer-tainty	Total, un-certainty, %	Uncertainty, 95 %, kt CO_2 eqv.
4.(V) Biomass Burning		1.12	0.00				31.6	0.0
4(V) Biomass Burning, Forest	CH_4	0.73	0.00	10	30	31.6	0.0	0.0
4(V) Biomass Burning, Grassland	CH_4	0.00	0.00	10	30	31.6	0.0	0.0
4(V) Biomass burning, Forest	N_2O	0.38	0.00	10	30	31.6	0.0	0.0
4(V) Biomass burning, Grassland	N_2O	0.00	0.00	10	30	31.6	31.6	0.001

6.14 Harvested Wood Products (HWP)

Carbon emissions from harvested wood products (HWP), which are covered by CRT 4.Gs1 and 4.Gs2, have been reported since 2013. Denmark has chosen to report under Approach B, the production approach, which refers to equations 12.1, 12.3 and 12.A.6 of volume 4 of the 2006 IPCC Guidelines.

Carbon in the HWP pool is accounted for based on the semi-finished wood product categories: sawn wood, wood-based panels and paper, and paper products with default half-lives of 35, 25, and 2 years, respectively. HWP originating from imported wood is excluded. For calculating carbon stocks in HWP, Denmark has applied the default first order decay (FOD) model stipulated by the IPCC, with the default half-lives (IPCC Tier 2 methodology). Activity data has been collected from international databases as well as from surveying the Danish wood industry. Carbon conversion factors have been derived from national forest inventory data (IPCC Tier 3 methodology).

The primary source for data on the HWP pool in Denmark is an annual survey questionnaire that is send out to all companies processing roundwood to semifinished wood products. The survey provides the basis for all Danish reporting to e.g. EUROSTAT and FAO. Previously, there was no collection of data on the actual amounts, and hence the previous reports were mainly based on data with less accuracy.

Based on data collection for 2011-2013, an extensive validation of activity data was carried out leading to corrections of historic data, especially regarding the production and export of sawn wood. The details and graphs can be found in Schou et al. (2015), where an extensive validation of activity data, including comparison with the FAO data, was performed. The corrected data are available in the report.

According to a questionnaire on the production of the Danish wood industry, the production of sawn wood in 2024 was about 311 000 m^3, while the production of wood-based panels was about 349 000 m^3. The questionnaire covered an estimated >90 % of the volume processed in the sawn wood sector

and 100 % of the volume for wood-based panels (there is only one relevant company). A cross validation of the roundwood consumption showed an average deviation of 8 % for 2011-2013 between the questionnaire and the figures reported by Statistics Denmark based on harvest and trade statistics. As of 2024, the HWP pool originating from domestic harvest and domestic consumption consisted of about 6.3 million tC (60 % from sawn wood and 40 % from wood-based panels – the paper pool was insignificant). This is equivalent to 14 % of the carbon stock in live forest biomass (above and belowground biomass).

The inflow from domestically produced wood to the HWP pool in 2024 is reported to 128 kt C – 49 kt C from sawn wood and 79 kt C from wood-based panels. The outflow recorded as the losses from the pool is reported to 121 kt C in 2024; 64 kt from sawn wood, 57 kt from wood-based panels. The losses from paper and paperboard are insignificant. Applying the respective half-lives, there has been a net carbon sequestration in HWP of about 6.9 kt C in 2024, equal to 25.4 kt CO_2 eqv., see Table 6.35.

The estimate of the size of the total HWP stock is quite uncertain, as the empirical basis for the First Order Decay model (FOD) and the attached half-lives is weak. Conducting direct inventories of the carbon stock may be a method to reduce uncertainty. Development of the C pool in HWP depends on the characteristics of the pool, i.e. the size of the pool vs. the recent inflow. Uncertainty on activity data relates to both uncertainty on measurements, e.g. caused by reporting errors, and statistical uncertainty, caused by variation in the sampled population.

Judging from the coverage and the validation results, surveying the production of semi-finished wood products in Denmark through questionnaires to wood producing companies has been successful and will be continued.

Table 6.35 HWP in use from domestic harvest and exported HWP in 2024 (CRT 4.Gs1).

	Gains, t C	Losses, t C	Half-life, yr	Annual Change in stock, kt C	Net emissions/ removals from HWP in use, kt CO_2
HWP produced and consumed domestically					
Sawn wood	46 337	-65 254	35	-19	69
Wood panels	76 777	-53 009	25	24	-87
Paper and paperboard	IE	-8	2	0	0
Total	123 114	-118 270		5	-18
					HWP produced and exported
Sawn wood	13 887	-11 872	35	2	-7
Wood panels	15 725	-18 411	25	-3	10
Paper and paperboard	NA	-14	2	0	0
Total	29 612	-30 297		-1	3

6.14.1.1 Uncertainty

Uncertainty estimates are given in Table 6.36.

Table 6.36 Uncertainty in HWP in use from domestic harvest.

		1990	2024					
		Emission/ sink, kt CO_2 eqv.	Emission/ sink, kt CO_2 eqv.	Activity data, %	Emission factor, %	Combined uncertainty	Total, uncertainty, %	Uncertainty, 95 %, kt CO_2 eqv.
4.G Harvested wood products	CO_2	-2.4	7.6	25	75	79.1	79.1	6.0

6.14.1.2 Planned improvements

The 2025 UNFCCC review required that HWP originating from deforestation be included in the HWP pool. This has been implemented in this submission.

6.15 QA/QC plan

A first step of development and implementation of a general QA/QC plan for all sectors started in 2004 which is described in a publicised manual (Sørensen et al., 2005). The manual describes the concepts of quality work and how to handle quality management by using Critical Control Points and a list of Point of Measurements. These are further unfolded and updated in the quality manuals for the Danish greenhouse gas inventory version 2 and 3 in Nielsen et al. 2013 and 2018. For more detailed information of the structure in the general QA/QC plan, please refer to Chapter 1.6 for QA/QC.

A complete list Points of Measures (PM) are given in Table 1.2. PM related to the agricultural inventory are listed below in Chapter 5.13.3 and are primarily connected to data storage and data processing level 1. For PM not mentioned below, please refer to Chapter 1.6.

The QA/QC work specific for the LULUCF sector is under continuous improvement. The overall framework regarding a QA/QC plan for LULUCF are constructed in form of six stages and each stage focus on quality assurance and quality check in different parts of the inventory process.

6.15.1 QA/QC plan expressed in Critical Control Points and Point of Measurements

Data storage level 1

Data Storage level 1	3. Completeness	DS.1.3.1	Documentation showing that all possible national data sources are included by setting down the reasoning behind the selection of datasets.

The following external data are in used in the LULUCF sector.

- Data from multiple public GIS-layers to develop the annual Land Use Matrix (Building register, cadastral maps, lakes, railroads, afforestation, subsidized hedges and small biotopes, wetland restoration maps etc.
- Data from the Danish national forest inventory carried out by Department of Geosciences and Natural Resource Management, Copenhagen University
- Data from the annual agricultural census made by Statistics Denmark
- Land parcel information from the Danish Agricultural Agency including location of all agricultural fields
- Soil type maps – mineral and organic
- Input of organic matter to agricultural soils from manure is estimated in the agricultural sector.

Carbon stock changes are generally measured or modelled. The used emission factors primarily come from IPCC Wetland supplement (IPCC 2014) and country specific measurements.

Statistics Denmark
The agricultural census made by Statistics Denmark is the main supply of basic agricultural data for crops. This includes crop area and harvest yields and amount of excavated peat.

Danish Agricultural Agency
The Danish Agricultural Agency is responsible for handing all EU subsidiaries to the Danish farmers. All data needed for the inventory purpose is given freely to be used in the inventory. This includes detailed field maps, all subsidized activities in the landscape including afforestation, areas with catch crops on farm level, location of all animals in Denmark, etc. These data are very precise.

The Danish Agricultural Agency, as the controlling authority, performs analysis of crop areas and their location. On average, 1600 to 2000 samples are analysed every year. Uncertainty in the data is seen as negligible.

National Forest Inventory
The Department of Geosciences and Natural Management (IGN), University of Copenhagen, who is responsible for the forest part of the inventory, carries out the NFI. IGN has been given unrestricted legal access to all NFI plots to monitor their current state of the forests.

Data Storage level 1	1. Accuracy	DS.1.1.1	General level of uncertainty for every dataset including the reasoning for the specific values

The most important emission source is related to the carbon stock in the forest, carbon stock changes in mineral agricultural soils and loss of carbon from the cultivated organic agricultural soils.

The uncertainty on the absolute C stock in the forest has been estimated to approximately 2 %. This in a very large C stock. However, because of the large stock the difference in the C stock between two consecutive measuring years can be very large, yielding a change in the emission around 80-100%. It is very difficult to reduce this uncertainty.

The same is also valid for the dynamic modelling of C stock in the mineral agricultural soils. The very large C stock of 100-120 tonnes C/ha may cause that small annual changes in input between years gives large changes in the estimated emissions between years. The input of agricultural debris to the model is estimate by Statistics Denmark. These data are well documented.

As the reported area with organic soils are almost constant combined with a fixed EF for the organic soils only little variation is seen between years. The largest uncertainty in relation to organic soils are the related to the country specific EF.

Regarding uncertainties for the remaining emission sources, see Chapter 6.

Data Storage level 1	1. Accuracy	DS.1.1.2	Quantification of the uncertainty level of every single data value including the reasoning for the specific values.

Please, refer to Chapter 6.

Data Storage level 1	1. Comparability	DS.1.2.1	Comparability of the data values with similar data from other countries, which are comparable with Denmark, and evaluation of discrepancy.

The estimated emission from the forest depends on growth rate (species, weather conditions) and harvest rate. It is assumed that the NFI with > 10 000 sampling plots can cover this variability. The outcome cannot directly be compared to other countries. The general view is that the Danish forests is a sink like many other European forests.

Only a few countries are modelling the carbon stock changes in mineral agricultural soils. The Danish model estimates the agricultural soils to be in steady state or a slightly increase in the carbon stock. This because of an increasing biomass input to the soils due increased yield levels and more catch crops.

The area with organic soils differs between countries and is difficult to compare. Denmark has a large share of cultivated organic soils > 12 % OC. The Danish reporting include organic soils having 6-12% OC. These soils will also have large emissions, as the organic matter in these drained soils at a certain point in the future will approach the equilibrium state for cultivated organic soils of 1-1.5 % OC (Liang et al., 2024). As no other countries report emissions from 6-12 % OC soils a direct comparability is difficult. The Danish CS EF for soils >12 % OC is slightly higher than the IPCC default (IPCC 2014) but similar to the German CS EF used in the German 2024 submission to UNFCCC.

Data Storage level 1	4. Consistency	DS.1.4.1	The origin of external data must be preserved whenever possible without explicit arguments (referring to other PMs).

External data received are stored in the original format in the quality management database system.

Data Storage level 1	6. Robustness	DS.1.6.1	Explicit agreements between the external institution holding the data and DCE about the conditions of delivery.

DCE has established formal data agreements with all institutes and organisations, which deliver data, to assure that the necessary data is available to prepare the inventory on time.

Data Storage level 1	6. Robustness	DS.1.6.2	At least two employees must have a detailed insight into the gathering of every external data set.

Please refer to Chapter 1.7.

Data Storage level 1	7. Transparency	DS.1.7.1	Summary of each dataset including the reasoning for selecting the specific dataset.

Please refer to DS 1.1.1.

Data Storage level 1	7. Transparency	DS.1.7.2	The archiving of data sets needs to be easy accessible for any person in the emission inventory.

Please refer to Chapter 1.7.

Data Storage level 1	7. Transparency	DS.1.7.3	References for citation for any external data set have to be available for any single value in any dataset.

A great deal of documentation already exists in the literature list and is also achieved in the quality management database system.

Data Storage level 1	7. Transparency	DS.1.7.4	Listing of external contacts for every dataset.

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Data processing level 1

Data Processing level 1	1. Accuracy	DP.1.1.1	Uncertainty assessment for every data source as input to Data Storage level 2 in relation to type of variability. (Distribution as: normal, log normal or other type of variability).

The Approach 1 methodology is used to calculate the uncertainties for the agricultural sector. The uncertainties are based on a combination of IPCC guidelines and expert judgement and measured uncertainty in the National Forest Inventory) and a normal distribution is assumed.

Data Processing level 1	1. Accuracy	DP.1.1.2	Uncertainty assessment for every data source as input to Data Storage level 2 in relation to scale of variability (size of variation intervals).

Please refer to DP 1.1.1.

Data Processing level 1	1. Accuracy	DP.1.1.3	Evaluation of the methodological approach using international guidelines.

Data sources and calculation methodology developments are continuously discussed in cooperation with specialists and researchers in different institutes and research sections. Consequently, both the data and methods are evaluated continually according to the latest knowledge and information.

Data Processing level 1	1. Accuracy	DP.1.1.4	Verification of calculation results using guideline values

The methodological approach is consistent with the IPCC 2006 Guidelines and the 2013 Wetland Supplement (IPCC 2014). See Chapter 6.

Data Processing level 1	2. Comparability	DP.1.2.1	The inventory calculation must follow the international guidelines suggested by UN-FCCC and IPCC.

The methodological approach is consistent with the IPCC 2006 Guidelines and the 2013 Wetland Supplement (IPCC 2014).

Data Processing level 1	3. Completeness	DP.1.3.1	Assessment of the most important quantitative knowledge, which is lacking.

The most important lacking information is the emission from the organic soils. Over time the drained organic soils become more and more depleted for organic matter. Furthermore, the remaining organic soils become more wet due to lack of drainage and increased precipitation. Hence, the used EF should be reduced over time. There is currently no information on emissions from soils having 6-12 % OC. As time passes, the organic matter disappears, and the drained soils will reach a low equilibrium state. This leads to reclassification of the area with organic soils from e.g. 6-12 % OC to 0-6 %.

Data Processing level 1	3. Completeness	DP.1.3.2	Assessment of the most important missing accessibility to critical data sources

All known major sources are included in the inventory. In Denmark, only very few data are restricted. Accessibility is not a key issue; it is more lack of data.

Data Processing level 1	4. Consistency	DP.1.4.1	In order to keep consistency at a high level, an explicit description of the activities needs to accompany any change in the calculation procedure

The calculation procedure is consistent for all years.

Data Processing level 1	4. Consistency	DP.1.4.2	Identification of parameters (e.g. activity data, constants) that are common to multiple source categories and confirmation that there is consistency in the values used for these parameters in the emission calculations

Please refer to Chapter 1.7.

Data Processing level 1	5. Correctness	DP.1.5.1	Show at least once, by independent calculation, the correctness of every data manipulation.

During the development of the model, all persons involved in preparation of the agricultural section have made thorough checks.

Data Processing level 1	5. Correctness	DP.1.5.2	Verification of calculation results using time series.

Time series for activity data, emission factors and national emissions are performed to check consistency in the methodology, to avoid errors, to identify and explain considerable year to year variations.

Data Processing level 1	5. Correctness	DP.1.5.3	Verification of calculation results using other measures.

None.

Data Processing level 1	5. Correctness	DP.1.5.4	Show one-to-one correctness between external data sources and the databases at Data Storage level 2.

In the database key ids is used to identify the unique data. The data on DS level 1 is linked to the key id used in the database so a clear reference from DS level 1 to higher levels of both DP and DS is secured.

Data Processing level 1	6. Robustness	DP.1.6.1	Any calculation must be anchored to two responsible persons that can replace each other in the technical issue of performing the calculations.

Please refer to Chapter 1.7.

Data Processing level 1	7. Transparency	DP.1.7.1	The calculation principle and equations used must be described.

All calculation principles are described in the NID.

Data Processing level 1	7. Transparency	DP.1.7.2	The theoretical reasoning for all methods must be described.

All theoretical reasoning is described in the NID.

Data Processing level 1	7. Transparency	DP.1.7.3	Explicit listing of assumptions behind methods.

All theoretical reasoning is described in the NID.

Data Processing level 1	7. Transparency	DP.1.7.4	Clear reference to dataset at Data Storage level 1.

Links between the different dataset are constructed.

Data Processing level 1	7. Transparency	DP.1.7.5	A manual log to collect information about recalculations.

Changes compared with the last emissions report are described in the NID and the national emission changes is given in a table under the section, "Recalculation". The text describes whether the change is caused by changes in the dataset or changes in the methodology used. Furthermore, a log table is filled in when data are updated or adjusted continuously.

Data storage and processing level 2

For point of measurements not mentioned below, please refer to Chapter 1.7.

Data Storage level 2	5. Correctness	DS.2.5.1	Documentation of a correct connection between all data types at level 2 to data at level 1.

A manual checklist is under development for correct connection between all data types at level 1 and 2.

Data Processing level 2	5. Correctness	DS.2.5.2	Check if a correct data import to level 2 has been made.

A manual checklist is under development for correctness of data import to level 2.

6.16 Category-specific improvements

6.16.1 Response to the review process

Table 6.37 contains the recommendations of the most recent UNFCCC review of the Danish greenhouse gas inventory, where the report is published. The Danish inventory was reviewed in 2024. The table details the status of implementation of the recommendations as well as references to where improvements have been implemented in this report.

Table 6.37 Main recommendations from the latest UNFCCC review.

CRT category/ issue	Review recommendation	Review report/ paragraph	MS response/ status of implementation	Chapter/ section in the NID
4. General (LULUCF)	Addressing. The ERT noted that, for category 4.B, there were small differences (ranging from 3 to 14 ha) in the area of organic soils for cropland reported in the NIR (table 6.19, p.503) and CRT 4.B for 1990, 2000 and 2010. During the review, the Party explained that the areas reported in the NIR for organic soils are correct and that there is an error in CRT 4.B which occurred during the process of allocating the areas of organic soils for cropland into cropland remaining cropland and forest land converted to cropland. The Party also clarified that the reported emissions (all emissions were reported under cropland remaining cropland and "IE" was used for forest land converted to cropland) were properly estimated by using the correct AD.	L.13whe	Thanks, this has been implemented in the submission. As organic soils on deforested land to CL is included in the LPIS system and hence included in the overlay with the organic soil map, the organic soil area for FL converted to CL is included in CL and hence reported as IE. The previous output was due to the KP reporting where deforestation had to be reported.	Section 6.4
4.A Forest land – CO_2	Addressing. The Party provided the information on assumptions, parameters and some references relating to estimating emissions and removals from forest carbon pools in its NIR (section 6.2.4, pp.478–479), which includes the calculation methods with some parameter values (i.e. wood density, reduction factor) and data for growing stocks by species or by a group of species. However, the information does not include all the parameter values used in the calculation of carbon stock in biomass and some important values are missing (e.g. biomass expansion factors). During the review, the Party stated that the explanations will be included in the next NIR and will also be	L.2	The information is provided in the referenced publication *Nord-Larsen and Johannsen, 2016* that describes the methodologies for calculating forest biomass. We have provided the general model forms used and references to the	Section 6.3

	published as a separate report. The ERT considers that the recommendation has not yet been fully addressed because the Party has not yet included synthesized information on the main parameters. This issue can be fully addressed if the Party includes data (e.g. in tabular format) in future NIRs on the values for the biomass expansion factor, root–shoot ratio, wood density by tree species, and areas and volumes by species. References to the sources of the parameters should also be provided.		scientific studies underlying the biomass and expansion factor functions used. The information on e.g. biomass expansion factors cannot be included in a table as expansion factors are estimated from dynamic functions with more than a single dimension.	
4.A Forest land – CO2	Include in the NIR information on the approaches for using the NFI surveys or the forest census to estimate the carbon stock changes in pools of living biomass, litter and deadwood under forest land for 1990–2006 and for 2007 onward to enable consistency to be assessed for all reporting years. Not resolved. The Party did not include the relevant information in the NIR. During the review, the Party explained that the information will be included in the next submission and also indicated that a separate report will be published covering the issues of forest land estimations, including the information referred in ID# L.5 below.	L.4	In this submission, the Forest Census and NFI is described in section 6.3.1. The effort to produce consistent forest area mapping is described in section 6.3.2. The effort to attain time series consistency is described in section 6.3.5. Furthermore, the effort to achieve time consistent estimates is described in the publication Johannsen (2024) also referenced in the NID.	Section 6.3
4.A.1 Forest land remaining forest land – CO2	Provide additional information on the area and volume of clear-cutting and the area subject to destructive disturbance, subject to the availability of data. Not resolved. The Party did not provide a description or the requested additional information in its NIR. During the review, the Party explained that the information will be included in the next submission as a part of the separate report mentioned in ID# L.4 above.	L.5	This will be included in the next submission in 2025. However, as noted in the section *Concerns about future climate reporting for forest land in Denmark* on January 1st 2024, the Environmental Protection Agency decided to dis-continue the contract on the National Forest Inventory with the Department of Geosciences and Natural resource Management and hence the NFI in its current form. This decision poses profound challenges and raises significant concerns regarding our capacity to accurately monitor, report, and	

			project the climate effects of the nation's forests within the Land Use, Land-Use Change, and Forestry (LULUCF) sector. This includes the proposed additions to the NID.	
4.A.1 Forest land remaining forest land – CO2	Addressing. The Party recalculated the estimation for deadwood in its 2021 submission, resolving the significant inter-annual changes of the IEF for deadwood/ha that had existed in the 2020 submission (e.g. sharp increases or outliers for 2006–2007 and 2015–2016). However, the Party has not included the information requested by the previous ERT in the 2021 or 2023 NIRs. During the review, the Party explained that the information will be included in the next submission in the separate report mentioned in ID# L.4 above.	L.6	The inter-annual changes in dead wood were caused by an error in the import of dead wood measurements from the field inventory. The error was discovered and corrected in all subsequent reporting – the 2023 reporting included. All DW estimates are now consistent.	Section 6.3
4.B Cropland	Addressing. The Party estimated the area of organic soils based on the soil classification maps for 1975 and 2010. As the areas of organic soils had decreased in 2010 when compared with 1975, the Party used linear interpolation to estimate areas of drained organic soils for 1990–2010 and assumed a constant area of drained organic soils as the sum of cropland and grassland since 2010. Due to the improvement made in land classification between cropland and grassland, the areas of drained organic soils for cropland were reported with a decreasing trend after 2011, as mentioned in the previous review report, but this was counterbalanced by an increase in the area of drained organic soils under grassland. Thus, the inconsistency in the trends of drained organic soil areas between 1990–2010 and after 2011 still remains. The Party reported in its NIR (p.530) and during the review that it has initiated new research to address this issue, but it will take time to collect new information because it is costly and time-consuming work.	L.9	In the 2024 submission, a new map of the organic soils for 2023 has been implemented. The new map shows a large decrease in the area with organic soils from the latest 2010 mapping. This is mainly due to the Danish organic soils being very shallow and consequently they due to the annual loss a large area do not comply with the definition as organic and merely are mineral soils. The definition of organic soils in Denmark is soils having >6 % organic carbon (OC) in the upper 30 cm. In the new set-up we have used LPIS information for 2010 and used this distribution between CL and GL back to 1990. For the period 2010 to 2023 where the new soil map was included, we have used a linear	Section 6.4.6.

			change between the CL and GL distribution in 2010 and the LPIS distribution in 2023. We can see that a larger share of the crops on organic soils is grass indicating that remaining organic area probably is located on more marginal organic soils.	
4.B Cropland	(a) Recalculate emissions from drained organic soils under cropland by collecting additional data on soils with 6–12 per cent organic content. (b) Include in the NIR data and information from the study by Elsgaard et al. (2012) on calculating the EFs for drained organic soils with organic content greater than 12 per cent, including soil type, percentage of organic content and assumptions made, demonstrating their applicability for all the reporting years. (a) Not resolved. The Party did not recalculate emissions by using new data on soils with 6–12 per cent organic content. However, the Party explained in its NIR (p.530) and during the review that it had initiated a research programme on the loss of organic matter from organic soils in relation to the groundwater table and total carbon stock above the groundwater level, which could result in more accurate CO2 emission estimates in the future. (b) Not resolved. The Party did not provide additional information in its NIR compared with its 2020 submission.	L.10	(a) New emission factors for soils with 6-12 percent organic carbon is expected to be implemented in the inventory in 2025. For now, emissions factors are unchanged. (b) Additional information from Elsgaard et al. (2012) is included and with reference to the German inventory. The measured EF for drained organic soils (>12 % OC) is in line with the German data, see Tiemeyer et al. 2020.	Section 6.4
4.C Grassland	Not resolved. In NIR table 6.22 (p.508), the Party provided the areas of grassland organic soils with an organic content of 12 per cent or greater and with an organic content of 6–12 per cent. However, the Party did not include in the NIR information on the extent to which the EFs used are representative of the different management practices in grassland. During the review, the Party indicated that it will include more information in its next submission and explained that the area of organic soils in grassland was estimated using a geographic information system overlaid with the organic soil map and the land parcel information polygons, which contain information on crop type. The Party also clarified that each year the Danish Agricultural Agency issues a table with the maximum nitrogen application rates for each crop. The ERT considers that the combination of information mentioned above can capture the status of management practice in grassland, but that information on the applicability or the representativeness of the country-specific EFs for grassland is still missing.	L.12	The information is included in the NID Denmark use actual LPIS information data for all agricultural fields in Denmark to distribute the land use between grassland and cropland.	Section 6.5

4.D.1.2 Flooded land remaining flooded land – CO2	Addressing. The Party introduced some changes in the notation key used for the subcategory and reported “NA” or “0” instead of “NE” in NIR table 6.25 (p.512) and “NA” in CRT 4.D, but has not provided an explanation on the notation keys used. During the review, the Party stated that this will be corrected in its next submission. The ERT considers that the recommendation has not yet been fully addressed.	L.13	The notation keys have been updated in the 2024 submission.	Section 6.6
4(II) Emissions/ removals from drainage and re-wetting and other management of organic/mineral soils – CO2	Not resolved. The Party did not update the information in the NIR. During the previous review, the Party explained that it used default EFs from the Wetlands Supplement in the absence of country-specific EFs. However, this explanation was not included in the NIR. During the review, the Party explained that the information will be included in the next submission.	L.15	Notation keys have been updated.	Section 6.6
4(II) Emissions/ removals from drainage and re-wetting and other management of organic/mineral soils – N2O	Not resolved. The Party did not update the information in the NIR and “NE” is still reported in NIR section 16.6.11. During the review, the Party explained that the information will be corrected in the next submission.	L.16	Notation keys have been updated.	Section 6.6
4.D.2 Land converted to wetlands – CO2	The Party reported a small area of land converted from forest land to wetlands (mostly less than 5 ha annually except for 2005–2011, when it reported 108 ha annually). The Party explained in its NIR (p.513) that carbon stock changes in dead organic matter for forest land converted to wetlands were assumed as clearing all dead organic matter with instant oxidation. However, “NA” was reported in the dead organic matter cell in CRT 4.D for forest land converted to flooded land and forest land converted to other wetlands, although losses in living biomass were estimated. During the review, the Party clarified that the explanation in the NIR was wrong, and the carbon losses were not estimated for forest land converted to wetlands, because it assumed dead organic matter remained on land. The ERT notes that the 2006 IPCC Guidelines does not provide methodological guidance about treatment of dead organic matter for land converted to flooded land (vol. 4, chap. 7, section 7.3.2.1), and it is appropriate to use “NE” when an activity occurs but the 2006 IPCC Guidelines do not provide methodologies to estimate the emissions/removals, based on footnote 6 of annex I to decision 24/CP.19. The ERT notes that the Wetlands Supplement does not provide methodological guidance on the above-mentioned land use change; rather, it suggests that carbon losses of dead organic matter resulting from rewetting activities for inland wetlands mineral soils should be estimated using a tier 1 method (Wetlands Supplement, sections 5.2.1.1 and 5.3.1.1), which may be considered applicable to land converted to partly water-covered wetlands in Denmark on a voluntary basis. The ERT recommends that the Party provide in its NIR a correct explanation of the methodology applied for estimating carbon stock changes in dead organic matter for forest land	L.17	Thanks, the NID has been updated in accordance with the recommendations.	Section 6.6

	converted to wetlands and ensure consistency between the NIR and CRT 4.D.			
4.E.2 Land converted to settlements – CO2	The Party reported in its NIR (p.516) that for estimating carbon stock change in living biomass for land converted to settlements it used “a standard default gain value” of 2,200 kg dm/ha for above-ground biomass and 2,200 kg dm/ha for below-ground biomass. However, the NIR does not explain how these values were developed taking into account the multiple options and combinations of land cover status in settlements. During the review, the Party clarified that the above-mentioned parameters were developed considering the proportion of greenspace in settlements under three classes (low greenspace proportion, medium greenspace proportion and high greenspace proportion) and the average amount of biomass carbon content in each class. The biomass carbon contents were developed based on some country-specific assumptions taking into account some default parameters in the 2006 IPCC Guidelines (vol. 4): (1) the above-ground biomass amount of roadside and garden is assumed to be about half of the default peak biomass value for annual crop (table 5.9), and (2) the root-to-shoot ratios are assumed to be about 1 when considering the range of default values for trees (about 0.2–0.4, table 4.4) and grasses (2.8 to 4.0, table 6.1). The ERT recommends that the Party include in its NIR information on how it established the parameters used for estimating above- and below-ground biomass stock for land converted to settlements.	L.18	The information is included in the NID.	Section 6.5
4.G HWP – CO2	In its estimation of emissions from HWP for reporting under the Convention, the Party excluded HWP originating from deforestation on the basis that they are accounted as instantaneous oxidation (NIR, p.520), in order to be consistent with its KP-LULUCF accounting, which is calculated on the basis of the HWP rules and modality in line with decision 2/CMP.7 and the 2013 Revised Supplementary Methods and Good Practice Guidance Arising from the Kyoto Protocol. The ERT noted that at the 19th Lead Reviewer Meeting held in March 2023, the lead reviewers discussed how to treat this type of reporting and concluded that ERTs should check whether the reporting of HWP-related emissions under the Convention is in line with the methodologies in the 2006 IPCC Guidelines and the UNFCCC Annex I inventory reporting guidelines with respect to accuracy and comparability. Based on paragraph 18(d)(ii) of the conclusions and recommendations from the 19th meeting of lead reviewers (https://unfccc.int/sites/default/files/resource/Nineteenth%20meeting%20of%20Inventory%20Lead%20Reviewers.pdf), when the HWP contribution is reported as zero, Parties should clearly demonstrate that the annual HWP carbon stock changes in the HWP pool are “insignificant” (the term “insignificant” in this context means that the annual HWP carbon stock change, expressed in units of CO2, is less than the size of any key category).	L.19	We have included a note on the magnitude of annual emissions from HWP from deforestation, which may be considered insignificant and are therefore reported as instantaneous oxidation.	Section 6.13

	During the review, the Party clarified that annual emissions from HWP originating from deforestation range from 1.6 to 61.4 kt CO2 for the whole time series. The ERT notes that the quantities did exceed the minimum key category of the Party (133 kt CO2 eq) based on tier 1 level assessment including LULUCF in 2020 (NIR, annex 1, table A1-7, p.815). The ERT recommends that the Party provide the information on the impact of annual HWP-related emissions originating from deforestation if these emissions remain to be reported based on instantaneous oxidation in its NIR. The ERT notes that the priority of maintaining consistency between the KP-LULUCF reporting and the LULUCF reporting will not be necessary in future submissions.			

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7 Waste

7.1 Overview of the sector

The waste sector covers greenhouse gases (GHG) from waste related processes not directly associated to generation of energy. The waste sector consists of the following CRT source categories:

- 5.A Solid waste disposal
- 5.B Biological treatment of solid waste
- 5.C Incineration and open burning of waste
- 5.D Wastewater treatment and discharge
- 5.E Other

The data presented in Chapter 7 relate to Denmark only, whereas information for Greenland is included in Chapter 11 and for the Faroe Islands in Chapter 12.

Emissions from sludge spreading on fields, are included in agriculture, see Chapter 5.

7.1.1 Methodology overview

Table 7.1.1 gives a brief overview over methodologies applied for the waste sector. Further description of the applied methodologies can be found in the following chapters.

Table 7.1.1 Overview of methodologies used for waste sector in the Danish inventories.

IPCC code	Process	Substance	Method	Emission factor	Key category 1990/2024/ trend
5.A Solid Waste Disposal					
5.A.1	Managed waste disposal on land	CH_4	CS/T2	CS/D	Yes/Yes/Yes
5.B Biological treatment of solid waste					
5.B.1	Composting	CH_4, N_2O	T2/T1	CS/D	No/Yes/Yes
5.B.2	Anaerobic digestion at biogas facilities	CH_4	T2	CS	No/Yes/Yes
5.C Incineration and open burning of waste					
5.C.1	Incineration of corpses	CH_4, N_2O	T1	CS/D	No/No/No
5.C.1	Incineration of carcasses	CH_4, N_2O	T1	CS/D	No/No/No
5.D Wastewater treatment and discharge					
5.D.1	Domestic wastewater	CH_4, N_2O	CS	CS	Yes/Yes/Yes
5.D.2	Industrial wastewater	CH_4, N_2O	CS	CS	Yes/No/Yes
5.E Other					
5.E.1	Accidental fires	CO_2, CH_4	CS/T1	CS/OTH	Yes/Yes/No

T1: Tier 1, T2: Tier2, CS: Country specific, D: Default, OTH: Other

7.1.2 Key category identification

In the key category analysis (KCA) the waste emissions are divided into 14 categories, one per pollutant emitted for each process listed in Table 7.1.1. In the Approach 1 KCA, three of the 14 categories are identified as a key category. At Approach 2 KCA, eight of the 14 source categories are identified as key categories for this year's submission (Table 7.1.2). The Approach 1 key

category analysis is based on ranking of absolute quantitative emissions/removals, while the Approach 2 KCA takes into account the uncertainties in the calculated emissions (cf. Chapter 1.5).

An overview of the results from the key category analysis is presented in Table 7.1.2.

According to the level analysis, for both Approach 1 and 2 KCA, *5.A. Solid Waste Disposal* is a key category for level in 1990 and 2024. The significant decreasing trend in CH_4 emissions from 5.A also makes it a key category for trend in both Approach 1 and 2.

Category *5.B.1 Composting* is a key category for both CH_4 and N_2O emissions in 2024 according to the level assessment for Approach 2 KCA only, and also a key category for trend for both CH_4 and N_2O (Approach 2).

CH_4 from category *5.B.2 Anaerobic digestion at biogas facilities* is identified as a key category for level in 2024 and a key category for trend according to both the Approach 1 and 2 KCA.

Category *5.D.1 Domestic wastewater* is a key category for CH_4 and N_2O emissions in both 1990 and 2024 according to the level analysis for Approach 2 KCA, for the N_2O emission level in 2024 according to Approach 1 and for the trend according to Approach 2 (both CH_4 and N_2O).

5.D.2 Industrial wastewater is only a key category for level in 1990 for CH_4 and the CH_4 emission trend according (Approach 2 KCA).

Category *5.E Accidental fires* is identified as a key category for CO_2 emissions for both 1990 level and 2024 level for Approach 2, due to the high uncertainty of the emission calculations.

For further information on the KCA level and trend assessments please refer to Chapter 1.5 and Annex 1.

Table 7.1.2 Key category identification Approach 1 and Approach 2 from the waste sector 1990 and 2024.

		Approach 1			Approach 2		
		1990	2024	1990-2024	1990	2024	1990-2024
5.A Solid waste disposal	CH_4	Level	Level	Trend	Level	Level	Trend
5.B.1. Composting	CH_4	-	-	-	-	Level	Trend
5.B.1. Composting	N_2O	-	-	-	-	Level	Trend
5.B.2. Anaerobic digestion at biogas facilities	CH_4	-	Level	Trend	-	Level	Trend
5.C.1 Incineration of corpses	CH_4	-	-	-	-	-	-
5.C.1 Incineration of corpses	N_2O	-	-	-	-	-	-
5.C.2 Incineration of carcasses	CH_4	-	-	-	-	-	-
5.C.2 Incineration of carcasses	N_2O	-	-	-	-	-	-
5.D.1 Municipal wastewater treatment	CH_4	-	-	-	-	Level	Trend
5.D.1 Anaerobic treatment plants	CH_4	-	-	-	-	-	-
5.D.1 Septic tanks	CH_4	-	-	-	-	-	-
5.D.1 Municipal wastewater effluent	CH_4	-	-	-	-	-	-
5.D.1 Municipal wastewater treatment	N_2O	-	Level	-	Level	Level	Trend
5.D.1 Municipal wastewater effluent	N_2O	-	-	-	-	-	-
5.D.2 Industrial wastewater effluent	CH_4	-	-	-	Level	-	Trend
5.D.2 Industrial wastewater treatment	N_2O	-	-	-	-	-	-
5.D.2 Industrial wastewater effluent	N_2O	-	-	-	-	-	-
5.E Accidental fires	CO_2	-	-	-	Level	Level	-
5.E Accidental fires	CH_4	-	-	-	-	-	-

7.1.3 Emission overview

In Table 7.1.3, an overview of all emissions from the waste sector is presented. The emissions are taken from the CRT tables and are presented as rounded figures. The full time series is presented in Annex 3F, Table 3F-1.1.

Table 7.1.3 Emissions for the waste sector, kt CO_2 equivalents.

		1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
5.A. Solid waste disposal	CH_4	1272	968	697	464	360	318	255	236	226	220	212
5.B. Biological treatment of solid waste	CH_4	30	51	91	116	143	194	392	464	488	528	521
5.B. Biological treatment of solid waste	N_2O	13	18	35	34	39	45	44	44	41	46	45
5.C. Incineration and open burning of waste	CH_4	0.01	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02
5.C. Incineration and open burning of waste	N_2O	0.17	0.18	0.19	0.20	0.25	0.24	0.24	0.25	0.26	0.24	0.25
5.D. Wastewater treatment and discharge	CH_4	241	132	117	106	101	104	102	102	98	101	99
5.D. Wastewater treatment and discharge	N_2O	201	183	152	139	118	132	128	125	125	123	126
5.E. Other	CO_2	16	19	17	16	16	15	15	14	15	12	12
5.E. Other	CH_4	7	8	7	7	7	6	6	6	6	6	6
5. Waste	total	1781	1380	1116	881	785	815	941	991	998	1035	1021

5.A. Solid Waste Disposal is, over the time series, the dominant source in the waste sector with contributions in the time series varying from 74.0 % (1992) to 20.7 % (2024) of the total emission given in CO_2 equivalents. The emissions are decreasing throughout the time series, due to a reduction in the amounts of organic waste deposited at landfills. Comparing 2024 with 1990, the emissions from Solid Waste Disposal Sites have decreased with 83.4 %.

5.B. Biological treatment of solid waste consists of CH_4 emissions from 5.B.1 composting and 5.B.2 industrial and manure-based biogas production and N_2O emissions from 5.B.1 composting. The contribution from 5.B to the total emission from the waste sector provided in units CO_2 equivalent ranges from 2.4 % in 1990 to 55.5 % in 2024; CH_4 contributes the most to the sub-sector 5.B, varying between contributions of 69.9 % (1990) and 92.3 % (2022). Comparing

2024 with 1990, the sum of CH_4 and N_2O emissions (in units CO_2 equivalent) from composting and manure-based biogas plants in total have increased 1205 %.

The increase in the greenhouse gas (GHG) emission trend from category *5.B* is most significant for sub-sector 5.B.2, Anaerobic digestion at biogas facilities, the level of methane emissions in 2024 being a factor 72 higher than the methane emission level in 1990. The methane emission from biogas production increases from 6.2 kt in 1990 to 450.4 kt CO_2 equivalents in 2024, while the GHG emission from composting increased from 37.2 kt in 1990 to 116.2 kt CO_2 equivalents in 2024 (a factor three).

5.C. Incineration and open burning of waste contributes with CH_4 and N_2O emissions from human and animal cremations. The contribution to the sectorial total ranges between 0.01 % and 0.03 %throughout the time series. The trend for the total CO_2 equivalent emissions 1990 - 2024 from this source have increased with 46.0 % due to increased activity.

5.D. Wastewater treatment and discharge contributes with CH_4 and N_2O emissions. The contribution to the total waste sector in CO_2 equivalent emission from the sum of CH_4 and N_2O is between 20.8 % (1993) and 29.6 % (2013). CH_4 and N_2O contribute about equally to the 5.D sub-sector total of CO_2 equivalents, with 54 % being from CH_4 in 1990 and steadily decreasing to 44 % in 2024. The CH_4 emissions decrease over the time series from 241 kt CO_2 equivalents in 1990 to 97 kt CO_2 equivalents in 2023, while N_2O emissions decrease from 241 kt CO_2 equivalents in 1990 to 99 kt CO_2 equivalents in 2024.

Emissions from wastewater stem from both wastewater treatment and effluent. In 1990, 225 kt CO_2 equivalents (51 % of 5.D) were emitted from effluent, in 2024 this number had decreased to 33 kt CO_2 equivalents (15 % of 5.D).

The trend for the total CO_2 equivalent emissions from sector 5.D Wastewater treatment and discharge has decreased from 441 kt CO_2 equivalents in 1990 to 225 kt CO_2 equivalents in 2024. Compared to 1990, the greenhouse gas emissions in 2024 have decreased with 49.1 %.

5.E. Other. This source contributes with CO_2 and CH_4 emissions from accidental fires. No emission factors for N_2O are available. The contribution to the total emissions from the waste sector varies between 1.3 % and 2.9 %. Compared to 1990, the greenhouse gas emissions in 2024 have decreased with 23.7 %.

As a result, for the entire waste sector the emission in units of CO_2 equivalents (provided in Table 7.1.3) has decreased during the time series; the emission in 2024 has decreased with 42.7 % compared to 1990.

The Waste sector's contribution to the national total including LULUCF, including indirect CO_2, is between 1.1 % (2004) and 2.8 % (2024).

7.2 Solid waste disposal

A quantitative overview of the source category is provided in Table 7.2.1 presenting the amounts of landfilled waste, the annual gross emissions of CH_4, the recovered CH_4 in terms of collected biogas at the landfill sites used for

energy production, the amount of CH_4 oxidised in the top layers and the resulting net CH_4 emissions. The CH_4 emission from the Danish landfills has decreased 83.4 % from 1990 to 2024.

This category *5.A Solid waste disposal* is identified as a key category for the emission trend (1990-2024) and for emission level in both 1990 and in 2024. The result is the same for both Approach 1 and Approach 2. For more information on key categories, please refer to Chapter 7.1.2, Chapter 1.5 and Annex 1.

7.2.1 Overall emissions

A full time series of these data are presented in Annex Table 3F-2.2.

Table 7.2.1 Annual amounts of total deposited waste, annual degraded amount, gross methane emissions, recovered methane collected for biogas production, oxidised methane in the top layer and resulting net emissions.

	Landfilled waste	Annual degraded amount	Generated methane	Recovered methane	Methane oxidised in the top layers	Net methane emission	
	kt	kt	kt CH_4	kt CH_4	kt CH_4	kt CH_4	kt CO_2 eq.
1990	3569	78.0	51.0	0.5	5.0	45.4	1272
1995	2200	45.2	46.0	7.6	3.8	34.6	968
2000	1781	35.2	38.9	11.3	2.8	24.9	697
2005	1095	4.1	28.3	9.9	1.8	16.6	464
2010	2007	6.8	20.0	5.7	1.4	12.9	360
2015	2874	5.2	15.8	3.2	1.3	11.4	318
2020	3103	4.4	12.6	2.5	1.0	9.1	255
2023	2002	5.1	10.9	2.1	0.9	7.8	220
2024	1838	4.5	10.4	2.0	0.8	7.6	212

The yearly methane emission is a function of the type and amount of degradable organic waste deposited (Table 7.2.2 and 7.2.3). The net methane emission results from the gross emission minus the amount of recovered methane collected for bioenergy production minus the amount of methane oxidised in the top layers of the landfills (Eq. 7.2.7). The decreasing trend in the net CH_4 emission is explained by an exponential decrease over time according to first order decay kinetics (Eq. 7.2.4) and a significant decrease in the amount of degradable organic waste deposited at landfills in Denmark (cf. Table 7.2.1, Table 7.2.4, Table 7.2.5, Annex Table 3F-2.2 and Annex Table 3F-2.3).

7.2.2 Category description

Waste management in Denmark has changed much over the last decades. In the first half of the 20th century, the landfills were relatively primitive, but up through the 20th century the landfills became more and more regulated and streamlined. The Danish waste strategies have shifted over the decades from a focus on waste as a necessary burden (deposition) to a resource for energy production (combustion) to now a resource (recycling).

According to the Danish EPA, there are approx. 2500 old uncontrolled landfills (DEPA, 2013a), typically constructed before 1973 (DEPA, 2001, page 21). With the adoption of the Environmental Protection Act in 1973 (MIM, 1985), and implementation of the first regulation on environmental approval of landfills requirements to location, design and operation in a controlled manner was put forward by Danish Environmental Protection Agency (DEPA, 1974). Since 1974, only managed waste disposal sites with bottom membranes

and/or leachate collection systems have been constructed in Denmark (DEPA, 1974).

A recent survey of the opportunities and challenges in landfill mining in Denmark performed by the knowledge centre for mineral resources reports a total of 4,000 waste disposal sites in Denmark corresponding to an area of 143 km^2 or 0.3 % of Denmark´s land area (GEUS, 2020, page 15).

The European Landfill Directive was adopted in 1999 (EU, 1999) and implemented in Denmark in 2001 in the form of the Executive Order on landfills (MIM, 2001). As a consequence of the stricter rules for landfills, many were closed by the end of the year 2000 and in the period until 2009.

All waste deposited in Denmark is reported under the CRT source category *5.A.1 Managed waste disposal sites,* as all landfills in Denmark are managed assuming that all closed landfills have been through post-treatment and are covered by a 1 m topsoil layer before 1990. Unmanaged landfills that were closed following the adoption of the Environmental Protection Act in 1973 (MIM, 1985), might still be emitting methane to the atmosphere. However, it is not possible to model this small portion of emissions separately, as no point source data are available. Emissions from unmanaged waste disposal is therefore noted as "included elsewhere" (IE) in the CRT, as any emissions from these small and old sites will be included under managed waste disposal.

The amount of deposited organic waste has decreased markedly throughout the time series. The general development in the amount of solid waste disposed of at landfills is influenced by government instruments with target goals for waste being deposited, incinerated, reused and recycled. Many such plans have been put into force since 1990, and data on resulting development in disposal of waste in Denmark is presented in Annex Table 3F-2.1.

For more information on the drivers behind the Danish development in deposited waste, please refer to the sectoral documentation report, Hjelgaard and Nielsen (2023).

Biological decomposition of organic waste at solid waste disposal sites (SWDS) is a source of CH_4 emissions.

7.2.3 Emission model

The estimation of CH_4 emissions from Danish landfills is based on a First Order Decay (FOD) model as recommended by the IPCC (2006).

Denmark is applying the model using country specific activity data for both the current and historical waste disposed in landfills. This makes the Danish methodology equivalent to the IPCC Tier 2 methodology (IPCC, 2006). For a description of the national activity data used in the model see Chapter 7.2.3.

The degradation of a deposited waste type of quantity N is modelled according to first order kinetics. The mathematical formulation of this type of exponential decay is:

$$\frac{dN}{dt} = -k \cdot N \qquad \text{Eq. 7.2.1}$$

where k is the decay constant. Equation 7.2.1 can be solved for the simple case of a momentarily single deposition at time t (W_t) yielding:

$$N(t) = W_t \cdot e^{-k\,t} \qquad \text{Eq. 7.2.2}$$

where k relates to the half-life for the content of degradable organic carbon (DOC) in the bulk waste, as:

$$t_{1/2} = \frac{ln2}{k} \Rightarrow k = \frac{ln2}{t_{1/2}} \qquad \text{Eq. 7.2.3}$$

The content of degradable organic carbon (DOC_i), half-life times ($t_{½}$) and the corresponding methane generation constants (k) are provided in Table 7.2.2.

The amount of generated methane decreases exponentially over time according to first order decay kinetics of the content of degradable organic carbon in the deposited waste.

At a given year (t) the amount of degradable organic carbon (D$DOCm$(t)) which decomposes is a result of accumulated contributions from all former year's deposit of waste ($W(x)$), where x is years since depositing. The residue of organic matter, i.e. decomposable DOC, left from waste deposited at landfill sites x years ago, is calculated using the exponential decomposition rule (Eq. 7.2.4).

$$DDOCm(t) = W_i \cdot DOC_i \cdot DOC_f \cdot MCF + DDOCm(t-1) \cdot e^{-k} \qquad \text{Eq. 7.2.4}$$

where MCF is the methane correction factor, DOC_i is the mass fraction of degradable organic carbon in the deposited waste types (Table 7.2.2), DOC_f represents the fraction of the degradable organic carbon that will decompose at the SWDS.

Eq. 7.2.4 assumes that the deposition of degradable organic carbon takes place momentarily once a year and just after the time t, where t is defined as whole years (integer: t=1,2...), so Eq. 7.2.4 consists of two overall contributions that may be expressed as

DDOCm(t) = New deposit + Remaining part of former years deposit

The total amount of degraded organic matter during year t ($DDOCm\ decomp_T$) is assumed to be equal to the degradation during year t of the organic matter that was deposited at the beginning of the year ($DDOCm(t\text{-}1)$):

$$DDOCm\ decomp_T = DDOCm(t-1) \cdot (1 - e^{-k}) \qquad \text{Eq. 7.2.5}$$

Based on Equations 7.2.4 and 7.2.5 it is possible to calculate the degraded amount of organic matter in a step wise manner based on last year result. The degraded amount of organic matter is assumed to generate the CH_4 as described by

$$CH_4\ generated_T = DDOCm\ decomp_T \cdot F \cdot 16/12 \qquad \text{Eq. 7.2.6}$$

where F is the fraction of methane in the gas from landfills and 16/12 is the molecular conversion factor from units of C to CH_4.

For deriving the net emissions, the amount of recovered or collected methane as well as the amount of oxidised methane in the top layer of the landfill needs to be subtracted from the generated methane:

$$CH_4\ Emission = \left(\sum_x CH_4\ generated_{x,T} - R_T \right) \cdot (1 - OX_T) \qquad \text{Eq. 7.2.7}$$

where *CH₄ Emissions* is the methane emitted in year *T,* in units of kt, *T* is the inventory year, *x* is the waste category or type. R_T is the amount of recovered CH_4 at the Danish disposal sites, which are used for energy production. OX_T is the assumed oxidation of CH_4 in the top layer.

The amount of CH_4 recovered, *R(t),* is calculated as:

$$R_T = \frac{B \cdot 0.41 \cdot 0.678\text{kg/m}^3}{15.19\text{MJ/m}^3} \qquad \text{Eq. 7.2.8}$$

where B is the collected amount of biogas as reported by the DEA in units of MJ. The constants applied in Eq. 7.2.8 are described in Chapter 7.2.3 in the section on *Methane recovery*.

The content of degradable organic matter, DOC_i values, in each waste type is kept constant for the whole time series. The methane generation potential per unit waste type *i* is obtained from Equation 7.2.9:

$$\frac{L_{o,i}}{W_i} = DOC_f \cdot MCF \cdot F \cdot \frac{16}{12} \cdot DOC_i = \frac{1}{3} \cdot MCF \cdot DOC_i \qquad \text{Eq. 7.2.9}$$

The methane generation potentials for each deposited degradable waste fraction are presented in Figure 7.2.2.

7.2.4 Model input

According to the IPCC (2006), the FOD method requires data to be collected or estimated for historical disposals of waste over a time period of 3 to 5 half-lives in order to achieve an acceptably accurate result. The IPCC therefore consider it good practice to use disposal data for at least 50 years. As the reporting of emissions begin in 1990, this implies that the model should start in 1940, which has been chosen as the starting point for the Danish FOD model.

Below is described the key parameters, the methane recovery and the activity data used in the model, for more detailed descriptions of these topics, please refer to Hjelgaard and Nielsen (2023).

Key parameters

The Danish model used to estimate emissions from landfills are mostly using default values from the IPCC (2006 and 2019). Applied key parameters are presented in Table 7.2.2 and Table 7.2.3.

Half-life times are dependent on the climate. Denmark has a mean annual temperature below 20 degrees Celsius and therefore the relevant default values for Denmark is the values for boreal and temperate climate. IPCC (2006) also distinguishes between wet and dry climate using the ratio between annual precipitation and evapotranspiration as a proxy. Denmark has a ratio greater than 1 and is therefore categorised as wet.

Table 7.2.2 Content of degradable organic matter (DOC_i), half-life times ($t_{½}$), fraction of degradable organic carbon which decomposes (DOC_f) and calculated degradation rates

Waste type	DOC_i %	$t_{½}$ yr	DOC_f -	k yr^{-1}
Food waste	15[a]	4[c]	0.7[d]	0.16
Paper & cardboard	40[a]	12[c]	0.5[d]	0.06
Wood	43[a]	23[c]	0.1[d]	0.03
Plastics	-	-	-	-
Textiles	24[a]	12[c]	0.5[d]	0.06
Rubber & leather	39[a]	23[c]	0.1[d]	0.03
Garden waste	20[a]	7[c]	0.5[d]	0.09
Chemicals, degradable*	10[b]	7	0.5[d]	0.1[b]
Chemicals, inert	-	-	-	-
Electrical waste	-	-	-	-
Glass	-	-	-	-
Metal	-	-	-	-
Demolition	4[a]	23[c]	0.1[d]	0.03
Soil, sand & stone	-	-	-	-
Particulate matter & dust	-	-	-	-
Sludge, inert	-	-	-	-
Domestic sludge, degradable	5[a]	4[c]	0.5[d]	0.16
Industrial sludge, degradable	9[a]	4[c]	0.5[d]	0.16
Ash & slag	-	-	-	-
Other not combustible waste	-	-	-	-

*Mainly oil and organic solutions, [a]IPCC (2006) default, Vol. 5, Ch. 2, Table 2.4 and Section 2.3.2, [b]Pipatti (2001), [c]IPCC (2019), Vol. 5, Ch. 3, Table 3.4. Rubber & leather is assumed to have a half-life time similar to that of wood. For demolition waste, the degradable fraction is assumed to be wood and the half-life for wood is therefore used, [d]IPCC (2019), Vol. 5, Ch. 3, Table 3.0.

Table 7.2.3 Key parameters applied to the Danish FOD emission model.

Parameter	Name	Value	Reference
MCF	Methane correction factor	1.0*	IPCC (2019), Vol. 5, Ch. 3, Table 3.1, managed - anaerobic.
F	Fraction of CH_4 in generated landfill gas	0.5	IPCC (2019), Vol. 5, Ch. 2, page 3.14
OX_T	Oxidation factor	0.1**	IPCC (2019), Vol. 5, Ch. 2, page 3.14

*The MCF is 1 for the years since 1975 and below 1 for the years 1940-1974, the methane correction factor is displayed for the whole time series in Annex 3F-2.3, **The default value for industrialised countries with covered, well-managed disposal sites. In Denmark, all landfills have been required to cover the deposited material with soil at least since 1974 (DEPA, 1974) and by all indications even before then.

Methane correction factor

Before 1960, all deposited waste in Denmark was deposited at unmanaged sites and from 1975, all deposited waste was deposited at managed sites (MCF = 1.0). The transition from 1960-1974 is modelled using an exponential function.

For the years where unmanaged disposal sites were active, it is assumed that 80% of waste is deposited at deep (>5 m waste) and/or high-water table sites (MCF = 0.8), and 20% at shallow (<5 m) sites (MCF = 0.4).

The resulting weighed MCF is 0.72 for 1940-1961 and increasing to 1.0. The full time series of the methane correction factor is presented in Annex 3F-2.3.

This method means that small quantities of methane from unmanaged sites that are likely to occur especially in the early 1990s, are included under managed disposal sites.

Methane recovery

The Danish Energy Agency registers the biogas amounts recovered at disposal sites in energy units (TJ) (DEA, 2025). The amount of gas expressed in terms of energy is converted to volume of gas using the net calorific value of 15.19 MJ per Nm^3, which has been calculated as the average of measurements from three different landfill sites (DGC, 2009; Vattenfall, 2010; Verdo, 2011). As for the FOD model, the content of CH_4 in the gas recovered is estimated to 41 % (DGC, 2009) and the density of CH_4 is calculated to 0.678 kg per m^3 at 15 degrees Celsius.

The calculated amount of methane recovered, is subtracted from the modelled methane emission. Some recovered methane is gathered from disposal sites that have been remediated from unmanaged to managed over time and some from sites that were established as managed. Since the Danish FOD model applies a weighed MCF, all calculations are made in one model and recovered methane can be subtracted without problems.

Activity data

Information on deposited waste is available from the following sources:

- DEPA (1974) for 1970
- DEPA (1993) for 1985
- The ISAG database for 1994-2009
- The ADS data system from 2010 onward

Data on total deposited waste from the four different sources are not directly comparable, e.g. because some sources contain large amounts of soil/stone while other sources omit this fraction. All though uncertainties are higher in the two early references, there is no reason to suspect that any of the four sources omit any degradable waste.

Activity data for 1940-1969 are projected using population and GDP data as surrogate data.

Figure 7.2.1 presents total deposited waste amounts for the entire time series.

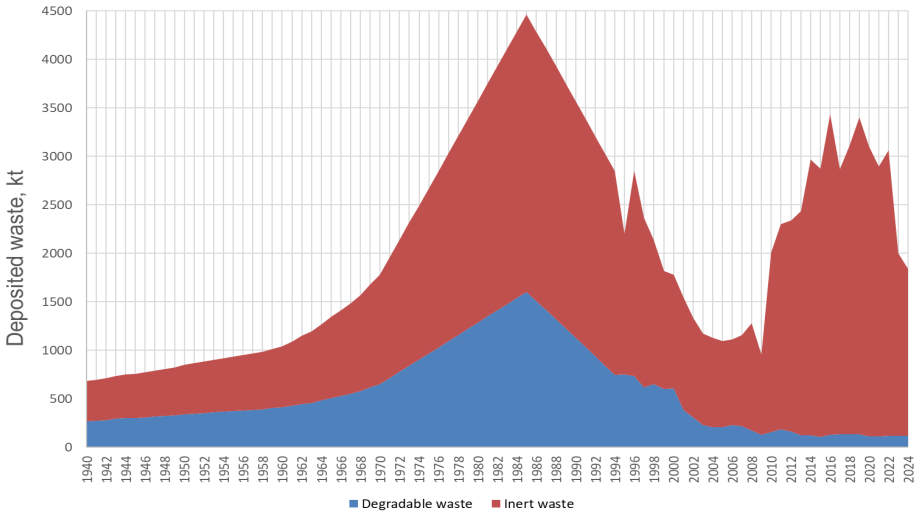


Figure 7.2.1 Deposited waste amount, kt.

A fluctuation is seen in the first years after the introduction of ISAG (1994-1996). It is likely that the shift from one data reporting system to a new (ISAG) has caused temporary problems for the users.

A sharp decline (-25%) in total deposited waste is seen from 2008-2009. The global financial crisis is expected to be the mail explanation for the temporary lower amounts of waste.

The general level of deposited waste increases from around 1000-1300 kt (approximately 80 % inert) in the years 2002-2009 to around 2700-3300 kt (approximately 95 % inert) in the years 2014-2022. However, the increase is caused by an increased registration of inert waste and is not decisive for the emission trend.

The amounts of waste deposited have been allocated into 20 waste types for the entire time series since 1940, as presented in Table 7.2.4 and in Annex Table 3F-2.3.

Table 7.2.4 Waste amounts according to the 20 DCE waste types of which 10 represent inert waste fractions, kt.

Waste types	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2020	2022	2023	2024
Food waste	125.2	84.2	65.1	3.6	20.4	15.7	13.5	15.0	16.2	13.5
Paper & cardboard	176.4	90.5	74.8	4.9	9.1	8.0	6.4	7.4	7.6	6.5
Wood	139.0	96.1	78.3	7.1	9.0	6.1	8.1	5.4	4.7	4.5
Textiles	8.8	7.4	6.0	0.2	4.9	4.4	2.8	4.1	3.4	3.7
Rubber & leather	3.6	2.5	2.0	0.1	6.4	5.2	3.7	5.0	4.3	4.2
Garden & park waste	120.5	49.9	36.6	1.9	3.1	2.0	1.4	1.1	2.9	1.3
Domestic sludge, degradable	169.3	99.5	92.3	27.4	16.4	5.8	4.5	8.4	7.1	7.8
Industrial sludge, degradable	61.0	63.5	24.8	12.8	5.5	3.0	2.6	1.6	1.5	3.8
Chemicals, degradable	46.0	38.6	26.8	7.1	6.4	5.9	5.0	4.4	5.2	4.7
Demolition	278.2	220.8	201.3	143.3	74.1	49.3	66.7	65.9	66.2	67.5
Plastics	92.9	134.8	99.1	4.7	12.0	8.0	6.9	9.1	8.1	7.8
Glass	73.2	79.0	62.4	54.8	12.0	4.9	4.0	5.3	3.4	3.5
Metal	155.6	106.0	86.1	152.0	80.2	49.2	47.4	35.5	38.5	16.5
Sludge, inert	95.7	52.2	39.4	16.9	9.8	0.9	1.5	1.5	1.3	2.7
Chemicals, inert	47.8	38.6	26.8	7.4	4.7	1.8	1.0	1.3	1.3	0.9
Electric waste	34.7	38.6	27.7	91.8	3.1	1.9	1.1	1.9	1.7	1.7
Ash & slag	828.4	289.4	150.4	56.2	38.4	15.0	14.8	13.9	8.0	5.7
Particulate matter & dust	43.1	38.6	26.7	7.1	26.5	23.4	38.4	41.7	29.3	80.1
Soil, sand & stone	567.2	339.8	313.5	201.6	1491	2567	2705	2664	1610	1295
Other waste, inert	502.3	330.0	340.9	294.4	174.1	97.4	168.5	173.2	180.9	306.3
Total degradable	1128	752.8	607.9	208.5	155.3	105.3	114.7	118.3	119.1	117.5
Total inert	2441	1447	1173	887	1852	2769	2989	2948	1883	1721
Total	3569	2200	1781	1095	2007	2874	3103	3066	2002	1838

Data on the amounts of solid waste deposited at managed solid waste disposal sites, are registered and published in the national ISAG (1994-2009) and ADS (2010-present) databases administered by the Danish Environmental Protection Agency (DEPA). Information on the waste amounts and types deposited at SWDSs in 1970 and 1985, is available from the reports DEPA (1974) and DEPA (1993). Data for 1971-1984 have been determined by assuming a linear development between 1970 and 1985, while data for the period 1940-1969 have been extrapolated from 1970 according to population and GDP. The

ADS database is based on the European Waste Code (EWC)[1] code system, a list of EWCs is included in Annex 2 of MIM (2012).

The available data on deposited waste is often registered as e.g. "combustible waste", all waste data from the four sources has therefore been allocated to the 20 DCE waste fractions presented in Table 7.2.4. The DCE waste fractions are comparable to the IPCC recommended waste fractions and given key parameters like content of degradable carbon and half-life times, see Table 7.2.2.

Waste amounts for the whole time series, i.e. 1940- 2024, for each of the 20 waste fractions, are provided in Annex Table 3F-2.3.

7.2.5 Model output

The annual amounts of the waste types (Table 7.2.4) and their emission generation potentials per mass unit (Eq. 7.2.9) are used to calculate the deposited CH_4 generation potential and the actual generated CH_4 emission from the annually amount of deposited waste (Eq. 7.2.6).

Figure 7.2.2 shows the time trend in annual amounts of deposited methane generation potential for each of the deposited waste type per year.

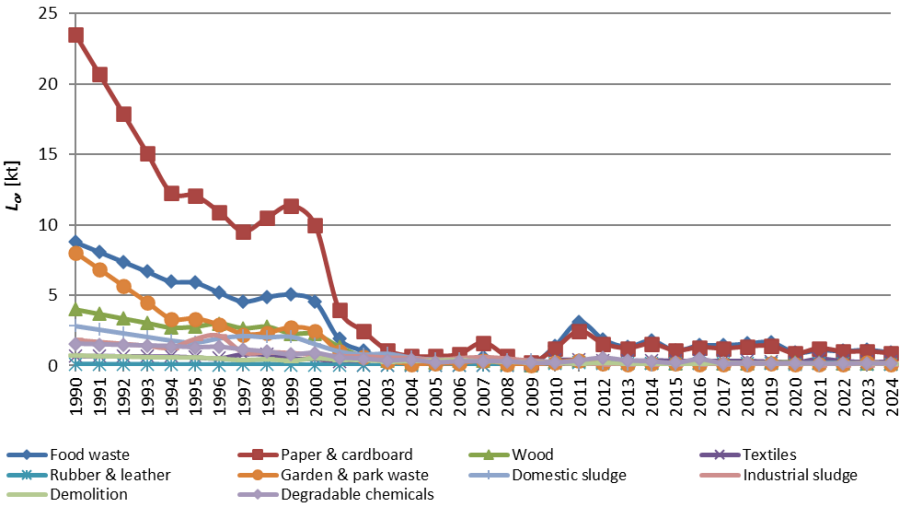


Figure 7.2.2 Annual amounts of deposited methane generation potential per waste type.

Figure 7.2.2 shows that the amounts of annual deposited methane generation potential have decreased significantly in the period from 1990 to 2004. Only a fraction of the deposited methane generation potential is released per year, i.e. a function of the degradation rate constants of the individual waste types, the content of degradable organic carbon and according to first order degradation kinetics for each waste type (Eq. 7.2.1 to 7.2.6 and Table 7.2.2). The seemingly significant fluctuations in the yearly amounts of deposited methane generation potentials are less noticeable when looking at the annual implied emission factors, calculated from the net methane emission per waste type divided by the accumulated amount of decomposable organic matter (DDOCma) per waste type (Table 7.2.5), as illustrated in Figure 7.2.3.

[1] The EWC (European Waste Code) system is called EAK (Det Europæiske Affaldskatalog) in Danish.

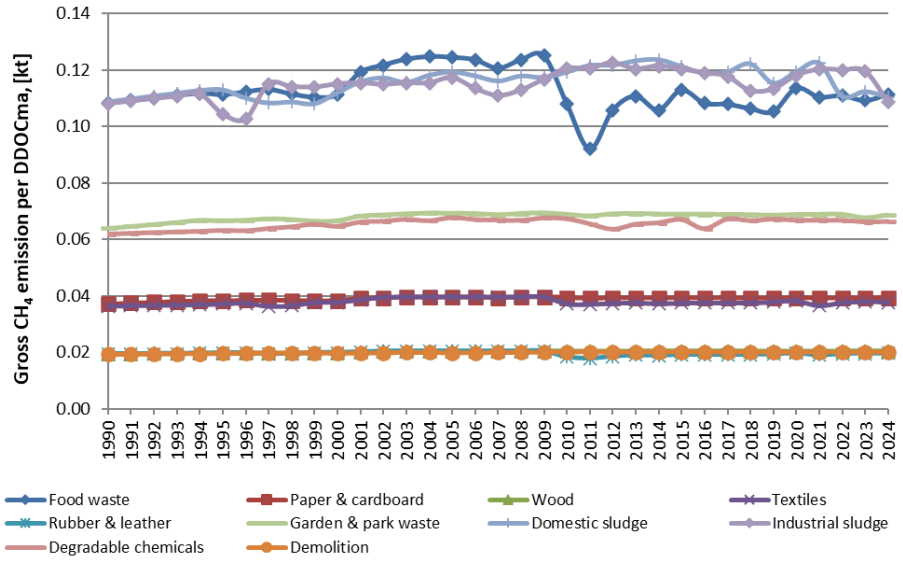


Figure 7.2.3 Annual gross implied emission factors for each waste type.

Figure 7.2.3 shows the time trend in the gross implied methane emission factor calculated as the gross methane emission divided by the accumulated (or remaining) amount of degradable organic carbon (DDOCma) within each waste type (the sum across waste types is provided in Table 7.2.5).

The year 2011 was the first year of the waste reporting system ADS. Waste amounts registered as being deposited this year increased significantly for all degradable fractions except sludge compared to ISAG data that ended in 2009. The effect of this increase on the implied emission factor is most significant for food waste, cf. Figure 7.2.3. Due to the mechanics of the FOD model, an increase in deposited degradable waste leads to an instant increase in DDOCm and DDOCma, but the methane generation only increases slightly the first year. As the level of deposited degradable waste types stabilises, so does the implied emission factor.

As may be observed from comparing Figure 7.2.3 with Figure 7.2.2, food waste and sludge have the highest gross methane emission factors, but paper & cardboard has the highest yearly methane generation potential, although these waste categories have somewhat comparable annual deposited amounts. The higher methane emission factor (Figure 7.2.3) for food waste and sludge throughout the time series is explained by the lower half-life (high CH_4 release rate) compared to other waste types (Table 7.2.2). While the higher annual amounts of deposited methane generation potential for paper & cardboard are a result of the higher DOC values compared to other waste types (DOC_i*DOC_f = 20 % for paper & cardboard and only 3-12 % for the other degradable fractions).

The net CH_4 emission (Eq. 7.2.7) is obtained upon subtraction of the recovered CH_4, utilised for energy production at some of the disposal sites, and the amount of oxidised methane in the SWDS top layers from the gross methane emission. The annual total amounts of deposited waste, accumulated degradable organic waste, degraded organic matter and the calculated CH_4 emissions are presented in Table 7.2.5 and Annex 3F-2.2.

Table 7.2.5 Waste deposited, total degradable matter, annual degraded organic matter and resulting CH_4 emissions. Full time series in Annex Table 3F-2.2

	Total landfilled waste	Annual amount of degraded D*DOCm*. Eq. 7.2.5	Accumulated amount of decomposable D*DOCm* Eq. 7.2.4	Annual deposited CH_4 potential Eq. 7.2.9	Annual Gross CH_4 emission Eq. 7.2.6	Recovered methane	Annual net emission before oxidation Eq. 7.2.7	Annual net emission after oxidation	Implied Emission Factor	
	kt	kt	kt	kt CH_4	kt CH_4	kt CH_4	kt CH_4	kt CH_4	kt CH_4/ kt waste	kt CH_4/kt DDOCm
1990	3569	78.0	1043	52.0	51.0	0.5	50.5	45.4	0.013	0.04
1995	2200	45.2	953	30.1	46.0	7.6	38.4	34.6	0.016	0.04
2000	1781	35.2	832	23.5	38.9	11.3	27.6	24.9	0.014	0.03
2005	1095	4.1	628	2.7	28.3	9.9	18.4	16.6	0.015	0.03
2010	2007	6.8	480	4.5	20.0	5.7	14.3	12.9	0.006	0.03
2015	2874	5.2	388	3.5	15.8	3.2	12.6	11.4	0.004	0.03
2020	3103	4.4	315	2.9	12.6	2.5	10.1	9.1	0.003	0.03
2022	3066	4.9	291	3.2	11.4	2.4	9.0	8.1	0.003	0.03
2023	2002	5.1	280	3.4	10.9	2.1	8.7	7.8	0.004	0.03
2024	1838	4.5	269	3.0	10.4	2.0	8.4	7.6	0.004	0.03

The total waste amount in the second column of Table 7.2.5 is the sum of the amounts of the 20 different waste types (Table 7.2.3). The total waste amount is reported as the activity data for the Annual Municipal Solid Waste (MSW) at SWDSs in the CRT Table 5.A.

The implied emission factors (IEFs) in the second last column in Table 7.2.5 reflects an aggregated emission factor calculated as the net methane emission divided by the total amount of waste deposited in the current year and corresponds to the reported IEFs in the CRT Table 5.A. This factor is highly affected by the amount of inert waste being reported. Therefore, a significant decrease in IEF is seen in the years 2009-2011 because of the transition from ISAG to ADS waste registration systems. As previously mentioned, ADS registers large amounts of soil, sand and stone from large building sites like e.g. bridge/tunnel construction, which was not reported under ISAG. The IEF values in the last column in Table 7.2.5 represents more appropriate IEF values, i.e. calculated as the net methane emission divided by the total accumulated amount of decomposable degradable organic matter, D*DOCm*. The D*DOCm* values are provided in the fourth column in Table 7.2.5.

The trend in the amount of annual degraded organic matter and the trend in the total amount of decomposable DOC accumulated at the Danish landfills are provided in the third and fourth column in Table 7.2.5 respectively. These show that the annual degraded amount of total DOC, decreases from 7.5 % in 1990 to 1.7 % in 2024.

Figure 7.2.4 visualises the trend in the annual deposited methane potential, the annual gross emission, the annual amount of recovered methane and the net methane emission with and without methane oxidation.

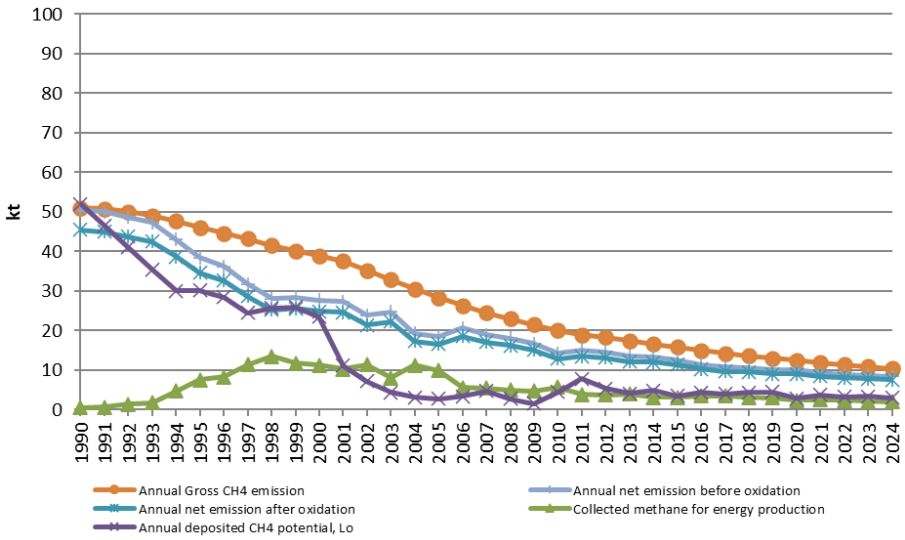


Figure 7.2.4 Time trend in the annual deposited methane potential, gross methane emission, recovered methane and annual net methane emission before and after oxidation.

In total, a reduction in the net methane emission after oxidation from 1990 to 2024 of 83 % is observed. This reduction in the methane emission is accompanied by a decrease in the accumulated amount of decomposable degradable organic matter (*DDOCma*) of 73 % and in the annual amount of deposited methane potential, which is reduced by 94 % in 2024 compared to 1990. The fluctuation in the net methane emission is explained by the fluctuations in the annual amount of deposited methane potential and the amount of recovered methane.

7.3 Biological treatment of solid waste

The CRT source category *5.B Biological treatment of solid waste* includes the subcategories *5.B.1 Composting* and *5.B.2 Anaerobic digestion at biogas facilities*.

Emissions from sludge spreading on fields, are included in agriculture, see Chapter 5.

7.3.1 Emissions

Figure 7.3.1 gives an overview of the Danish greenhouse gas emission from the CRT source category *5.B Biological treatment of solid waste* comprised by emission from composting and biogas production. CO_2 emissions from these sources are considered biogenic. As can be seen from the figure, fugitive greenhouse gas emissions from biogas production are miniscule in comparison to those from composting.

Category *5.B.1 Composting* is a key category for both CH_4 and N_2O emissions in 2024 according to the level assessment for Approach 2 key source analysis, and a key category for trend for both CH_4 and N_2O for Approach 2. CH_4 from category *5.B.2 Anaerobic digestion at biogas facilities* is identified as a key category for level in 2024 and a key category for trend according to both the Approach 1 and 2 key category analysis. For more information on key categories, please refer to Chapter 7.1.2, Chapter 1.5 and Annex 1.

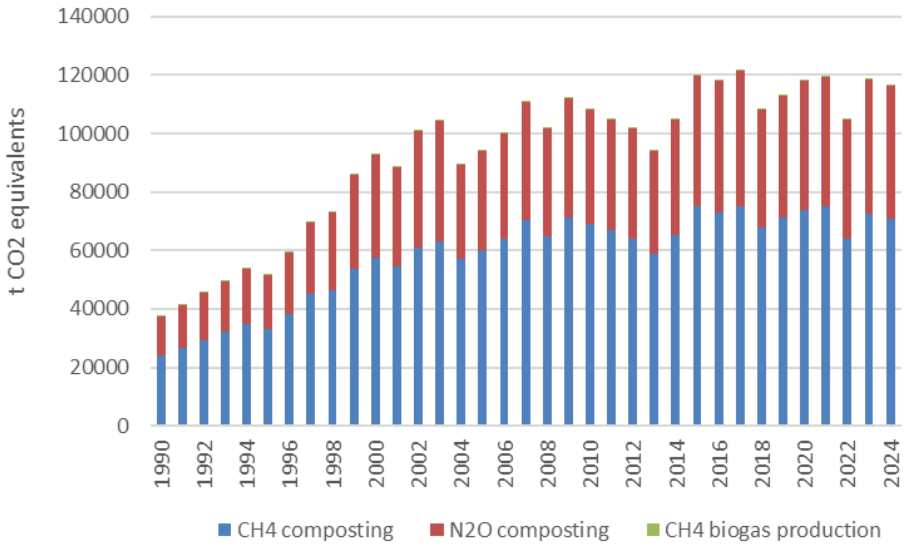


Figure 7.3.1 Time trend of the emissions from 5.B Biological treatment of solid waste.

7.3.2 Composting

This section covers the sub-category of biological treatment of solid wastes called composting. Greenhouse gasses that are emitted from this process are CH_4 and N_2O. CO_2 emissions from compost production are biogenic and therefore not relevant for the emission inventories.

Methodological issues

Emissions from composting have been calculated using both IPCC default emission factors and country specific emission factors, corresponding to a hybrid Tier 1/Tier 2 methodology.

In Denmark, composting of solid biological waste includes composting of:

- Garden waste
- Organic waste from households and other sources
- Sludge
- Home composting of garden and vegetable food waste
- And, use of raw compost

Composting facilities are categorised in three types. Type 1, treating organic waste mixed with garden waste or other organic waste, Type 2, treating only garden waste and Type 3, treating garden waste mixed with sludge and/or other organic waste.

Table 7.3.1 Composting facilities distributed as the different types.

	1997	2001	2017
Type 1	16	16	9
Type 2	99	123	150
Type 3	11	10	10
Total	126	149	169

According to Petersen & Hansen (2003), 92 % of Danish composting facilities consist entirely of windrow composting. Windrows are a simple technology composting method with access to only natural air. It is assumed that all facilities can be considered using windrow composting.

Composting is performed with simple technology in Denmark; this implies that temperature, moisture, and aeration are not consistently controlled or regulated. Temperature is measured but not controlled, moisture is regulated by watering the windrows in respect to weather conditions and aeration is assisted by turning the windrows (Petersen & Hansen, 2003).

During composting, a large fraction of the degradable organic carbon (DOC) in the waste material is converted into CO_2. Even though the windrows are occasionally turned to support aeration, anaerobic sections are inevitable and will cause emissions of CH_4. In the same manner, aerobic biological digestion of N leads to emission of N_2O (IPCC, 2006).

The category "use of raw compost" covers the use of garden waste for soil improvement in agriculture. Part of the garden waste that enters the Danish composting sites, is sold to farmers before composting. The raw compost (i.e. finely divided garden waste) is typically collected in large piles from spring till autumn. These piles are not monitored, watered, or aerated. Raw compost is then spread on the fields and ploughed into the soil. As this practise has no fertilising effect, there are no obligations for registration of this practise by the farmer. There is also no central registration of garden waste sold before composting by the composting sites, only incoming amounts. Work was done in the recent years, to improve the knowledge on this practice. DEPA (2022) and a following (unpublished) survey provides data on the activity data and DEPA (2023) improves knowledge on practises and emission factors for the handling of raw compost in agriculture. No significant difference in the emission factors from the temporary storage and regular composting was found, and all though activity data for garden waste is divided into garden waste for composting and raw compost, the emission factors applied for these two categories are the same. As the greenhouse gasses emitted from raw compost are emitted during the temporary storage (where anaerobic conditions occur), and not on the fields, emissions from this practise are included in this chapter.

Activity data

All Danish waste treatment plants are obligated to statutory registration and reporting of all waste entering the plants. All waste streams are weighed, categorised with a waste type and a type of treatment, and registered to the national waste data system. For 1995-2009, Denmark used the ISAG waste information system, but since 2010, registration of waste data has gone into the ADS reporting system. Activity data for home composting and the share of garden waste (raw compost) used for soil improvement on agricultural fields are estimated separately.

Activity data for each composted waste type, for the whole time series, are provided in Annex Table 3F-3.1. As activity data are not available as dry matter, they are not reported in the CRT, as the CRT does not allow to report using wet amounts.

The calculated activity data for composting are shown in Figure 7.3.2, Table 7.3.2 and in Annex Table 3F-3.2.

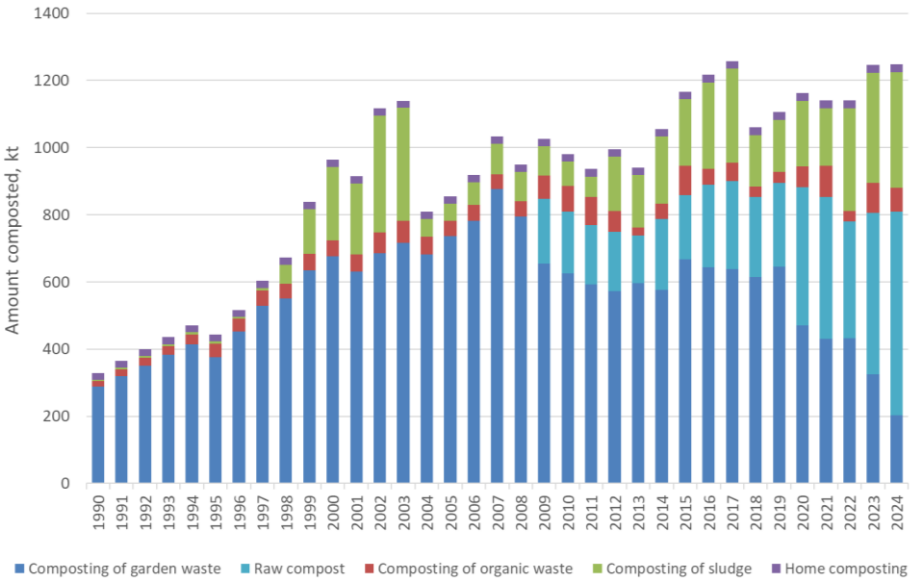


Figure 7.3.2 Trends in the national amount of composted waste.

Table 7.3.2 Activity data composting, kt.

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2020	2022	2023	2024
Garden waste	288	376	677	737	625	668	471	433	324	202
Raw compost	NO	NO	NO	NO	183	191	411	347	481	607
Organic waste from households and other sources	16	40	47	45	76	87	63	32	90	71
Sludge	5	7	218	50	74	197	194	305	327	343
Home composting of garden and vegetable food waste	20	21	21	22	23	23	24	24	24	24
Total	329	444	963	854	981	1167	1162	1141	1246	1248

NO: Not occurring.

Garden waste

Activity data for garden waste for the years 1995-2009 are collected from the Danish waste statistics (DEPA, 2025b).

The ISAG activity data (1995-2009) for composting of garden waste include wood chipping. Compost data for garden waste provided by Petersen (2001) and Petersen & Hansen (2003) show that for 1997-2001, wood chipping accounts for about 3 % of the total chosen waste statistics activity data for garden waste. Activity data for garden waste for the years 1990-1994 are estimated by extrapolating the trend.

Activity data for 2011-2024 for composting of garden waste are available from DEPA (2025a). Activity data for 2010 are interpolated between 2009 and 2011.

Raw compost

To determine how much garden waste is used for soil improvement, a survey was carried out during 2023 by the Danish environmental protection agency (EPA). The respondents correspond to 25%-38% (average 30%) of the total garden waste handled commercially and it was found that this practice is only relevant for the years since 2009.

Between 19 % (2013) and 50% (2021) of garden waste was found to be used in agriculture and not composted at composting sites. The appliance of raw compost in agriculture is generally higher in 2020-2022 (44-50%) than in 2009-2019 (19-29%). For 2024, the Danish EPA assumes that 75 % of garden waste is utilised on fields and 60 % in 2023 (interpolated).

The allocation of garden waste between composting and use in agriculture is performed by the Danish EPA an incorporated in data received by DEPA (2025a).

Organic waste

Activity data for organic waste from households and other sources for the years 1995-2009 are collected from the Danish waste statistics (DEPA, 2025b).

Activity data for 2011-2024 are available from DEPA (2025a) and data for 2010 is interpolated between 2009 and 2011.

The amount of organic waste composted in the years 1990-1994 is estimated using surrogate data. The number of facilities treating organic waste is known for the years 1990-2001, and the average amount of organic waste composted per facility is known for the years 1995-2001 (2.6-3.8 kt per facility per year). The following Table 7.3.3 shows the number of composting sites divided in the three types, where type 1 is mainly receiving source separated organic waste, type 2 receives only garden waste, while type 3 receives garden waste in combination with other organic waste types (Petersen, 2001 and Petersen & Hansen, 2003).

Table 7.3.3 Number of composting facilities in the years 1990-2001.

Facility type	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
Type 1	5	6	7	8	9	13	14	13	14	13	11	9
Type 2	38	54	70	86	102	113	108	99	102	111	115	123
Type 3	1	2	2	3	4	9	9	11	10	10	7	10
Total	44	62	79	97	115	136	133	123	130	139	138	142

Type 1 waste treatment sites normally include biogas-producing facilities, but these have been excluded in Table 7.3.3.

Sludge

Activity data for the years 1995-2009 and 2011-2014 are collected from the Danish waste statistics (DEPA, 2025b). For sludge, activity data in the period 1990-1994 were interpolated based on sludge known to be composted in 1987 (DEPA, 1999) and 2010 is interpolated between 2009 and 2011. Activity data for 2015-2024 are available from DEPA (2025a).

The Danish legislation on sludge (MIM, 2006) was implemented in the summer of 2003. This stated that composted sludge must only be used as a fertilizer on areas not intended for growing foods of any kind for at least 2-3 years. This restriction caused the amount of composted sludge to drop drastically from 2003 to 2004 (84 % decrease).

Home composting

The last waste category involved in composting is home composting of garden waste and vegetable waste. The activity data for this category are known from Petersen & Kielland (2003) to be 21.4 kt in 2001. It is assumed that the following survey-based estimates made by Petersen & Kielland (2003) are valid for all years in the time series.

- 28 % of all residential buildings with private gardens (including summer cottages) are actively contributing to home composting.
- 14 % of all multi-dwelling houses are actively contributing to home composting.
- On average, 50 kg waste per year will be composted at every contributing residential building.
- On average, 10 kg waste per year will be composted at every contributing multi-dwelling house.

Multi-dwelling houses include apartment buildings. It is quite un-common for people in these types of buildings to compost their bio waste and the average amount of composted waste is therefore lower in spite of the higher number of residents. The total number of occupied residential buildings, summer cottages and multi-dwelling houses are gathered from Statistics Denmark (2025) for the entire time series.

Emission factors

The emissions from composting strongly depend on both the composition of the treated waste and on process conditions such as aeration, mechanical agitation, moisture control and temperature pattern (Amlinger et al., 2008).

Emission factors for methane, $EF(CH_4)$, and nitrous oxide, $EF(N_2O)$, are generally calculated using the following two equations:

$$EF(CH_4) = E(CH_4\text{-}C) \cdot 16/12 \cdot DOC \cdot f_{degraded} \cdot (1 - f_{moisture}) \cdot 1000 \text{ kg/t} \quad \text{Eq. 7.3.1}$$

$$EF(N_2O) = E(N_2O\text{-}N) \cdot 44/28 \cdot N_{tot} \cdot (1 - f_{moisture}) \cdot 1000 \text{ kg/t} \quad \text{Eq. 7.3.2}$$

where the emission factors are provided in units of kg per tonne wet weight (ww) bio-waste, $E(CH_4\text{-}C)$ is the CH_4 emission provided in units of % CH_4-C in dry weight (dw) degraded C, 16/12 is the molecular weight ratio between CH_4 and C, DOC is the content of degradable organic carbon provided in units of [% DOC in dw bio-waste], $f_{degraded}$ is the fraction of DOC that are degraded during the composting process, $f_{moisture}$ is the moisture content in the composted waste, $E(N_2O\text{-}N)$ is the N_2O emission provided in units of % N_2O –N in dw total N, 44/28 is the molecular weight ratio between N_2O and N_2 and N_{tot} is the total N content in the dw waste.

The factors used to calculate the emission factors, and the calculated emission factors are presented in Table 7.3.4. More information on the specific applied values is given for each composting type below the table.

Table 7.3.4 CH_4 and N_2O emission factors for composting.

	Unit	Garden waste	Organic waste	Sludge	Home composting
DOC	of dw	-	-	50%[1]	47%[1]
$f_{degraded}$	-	-	-	57.5%[2]	56%[3]
N_{tot}	of dw	2%[1]	-	4%[7]	2%[1]
$f_{moisture}$	-	60%[1]	-	72.5%[2]	73.5%[4]
CH_4	kg/t ww	2.57[5]	4.00[1]	0.29[2]	2.78[6]
N_2O	kg/t ww	0.15[6]	0.24[1]	0.09[2]	0.09[6]

[1]IPCC (2006), [2]DEPA (2013b), [3]Andersen et al. (2010a), [4]Andersen et al. (2010b), [5]DEPA (2023), [6]Boldrin et al. (2011), [7]Jensen et al. (2015).

Emission factors presented in Table 7.3.4 implies that aeration is higher with centralised windrow composting than with home composting despite the

waste types being comparable. This is regarded as reasonable, as private persons are assumed to not mix/turn their compost very often.

Garden waste

Data from DEPA (2023) provides country specific measured data and an average $EF(CH_4)$ value of 2.57 kg CH_4 per tonne ww. Equation 7.3.1, DOC content and $f_{degraded}$ are therefore not applied for the calculation of $EF(CH_4)$ for garden waste.

Boldrin et al. (2011, Table 4) provides an $E(N_2O–N)$ emission factor of 1.2% N_2O-N in dw total N for central composted garden waste. The $EF(N_2O)$ emission factor is calculated using Equation 7.3.2 and default values for moisture and N_{tot} from IPCC (2006, Vol. 5, Ch. 4, Table 4.1).

Raw compost

Raw compost is assumed to be stored an average of six months from spring till autumn but can range from 1-10 months. As previously mentioned, measurements from DEPA (2023) on emissions from the temporary storage of raw compost are within the same range as emissions from composting of garden waste. Since no data is available suggesting the emissions from this activity are significantly different, emissions factors for composting of garden waste are also applied for raw compost.

Organic waste

Since little information is available about composting of "organic waste", the emission factor values are set equal to the default IPCC values of 4 kg CH_4 per tonne ww organic waste and 0.24 kg N_2O per tonne ww organic waste (IPCC, 2006, Vol. 5, Ch. 4, Table 4.1).

Sludge

The $EF(CH_4)$ value for sludge composting is calculated using Equation 7.3.1 and the $EF(N_2O)$ using Equation 7.3.2.

The default DOC value of 50% DOC in dw sludge (IPCC, 2019, Vol. 5, Ch. 2.3.2) is applied along with a fraction of degraded carbon of 57.5%, which is the average value of the reported 50% of *DOC* for anaerobic digested sludge and 65% for secondary (non-digested) sludge (DEPA, 2013b, page 177).

The nitrogen content of sludge, N_{tot}, is equal to 4% of the dw sewage sludge (Jensen et al., 2015).

The dry matter content of sludge before composting is in the range of 20-30 % and set equal to an average value of 27.5 % for digested and non-digested sludge (DEPA, 2013b, page 177). For comparison, the National waste statistics reports a dry matter content of 33% in sludge applied on agricultural soils (DEPA, 2025b).

An average (of anaerobically digested and raw sludge) $E(CH_4\text{-}C)$ value of 0.27% CH_4-C in dw degraded C in sludge and a $E(N_2O\text{-}N)$ value of 0.93% N_2O-N of N loss are known from DEPA (2013b, page 177). According to Equation 7.3.2, $E(N_2O\text{-}N)$ should be in the unit of % N_2O–N in dw total N, and the available $E(N_2O\text{-}N)$ of 0.93% is therefore multiplied with the N-loss of 55 % of the total N content in sludge (DEPA, 2013b, page 177).

As a result, an $EF(CH_4)$ value 0.29 kg CH_4 per tonne ww is applied. $EF(N_2O)$ is calculated as 0.09 kg N_2O per tonne ww sludge.

Home composting

The DOC value of 47% in dw that is applied for home composting is calculated from IPCC (2006, Vol. 5, Ch. 2, Table 2.4) standard values, by assuming a mix of 80 % garden waste and 20 % food waste.

A $f_{degraded}$ value of 56% value from Andersen et al. (2010a, page 177) is applied for home composting, along with the default N_{tot} of 2% in dw from IPCC (2006, Vol. 5, Ch. 4, Table 4.1).

The moisture content in waste that is home composted is set as the calculated average of measured values from Andersen et al. (2010b, Table 1); i.e. 73.5% (range 63.8-78.9%).

The $E(CH_4–C)$ and $E(N_2O-N)$ values for home composting are 3% and 1.05% in dw respectively (Boldrin et al. 2011, Table 4).

For comparison, Danish measured values of $EF(CH_4)$ and $EF(N_2O)$ for home composting ranges from 0.4-4.2 kg CH_4 per tonne ww compost and 0.3-0.55 kg N_2O per tonne ww compost respectively (Andersen et al., 2010b, Table 2).

Emissions

CH_4 emissions correlate to the pattern in the activity data excluding sludge, this is explained by the low CH_4 emission factor for sludge compared to the other three bio-waste types treated in Denmark (see Table 7.3.4). The N_2O emissions, however, are influenced more by the significant increases and decreases in the amount of sludge being composted as shown in Figure 7.3.2 (and Annex Table 3F-3.1) due to the N_2O emission factor for sludge composting being more in level with those of the other waste categories.

The full time series for emissions related to composting are shown in Annex Table 3F-3.2.

Table 7.3.5 National emissions from composting.

	Unit	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2020	2022	2023	2024
CH_4	t	862	1186	2050	2150	2468	2677	2638	2286	2592	2532
N_2O	t	49	68	134	128	148	169	166	154	173	171
CO_2 eq.	kt	37	51	93	94	108	120	118	105	118	116

The whole time series is visualised in Figure 7.3.3 showing a steady increase in the greenhouse gas emissions.

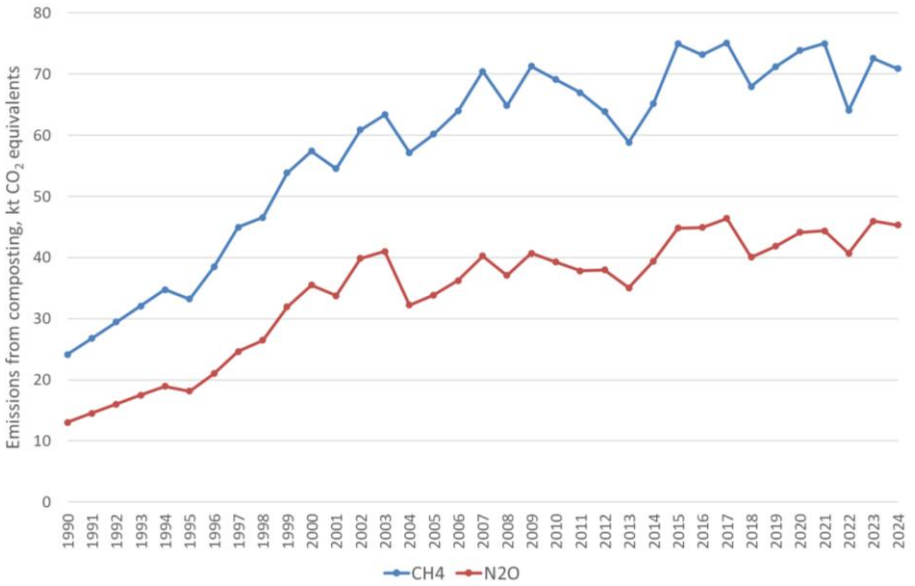


Figure 7.3.3 Time trend for N_2O and CH_4 emissions from composting plants.

For both methane and nitrous oxide emission, garden waste is the main contributor to emissions from composting, contributing with between 76 % and 88 % of GHG emissions in 1990-2008. Since the practice of subtracting raw compost from the composting activity started in 2009, the share of emissions from regular garden waste composting has decreased from around 60-70 % in 2009-2019 to just 19% in 2024. Emissions from garden waste including both composting and the use of raw compost in agriculture is 76–89 % of CO_2 equivalent emissions from the composting sector in all years 1990-2024.

The emission from composting increases from 37 kt in 1990 to 116 kt CO_2 eq. in 2024; i.e. +212 %.

7.3.3 Anaerobic digestion at biogas plants

Biogas production in this sector covers emissions from the handling of biological waste including garden waste, household waste, sludge and manure.

Methodological issues

Methane emission from biogas plants using landfill gas as feedstock is implicitly included in the CRT source category *5.A.1. Managed Waste Disposal Sites*, as the collected biogas is monitored in terms of energy production subtracted from the yearly methane release from SWDS in Denmark (cf. Chapter 7.2).

Methane emissions from sludge-based biogas plants connected to wastewater treatment are included in the CRT category *5.D Wastewater treatment and discharge* (cf. Chapter 7.5).

Emissions from storage of manure are included in the agricultural sector (cf. Chapter 5).

Emissions of CH_4 from biogas plants occur from stacks and ventilation during several stages of the process, e.g. ventilation in the receiving hall of the plant, from the emergency flare and from upgrading units.

Emissions that are more significant occur from leakages in the production equipment and pipelines. These leakages are by nature very variable from plant to plant and as such difficult to quantify at a national level.

The activity data and resulting emissions are estimated according to Equation 7.3.4 and shown in Table 7.3.6 below.

$$CH_{4,mbb} = (E : NCV) \cdot EF_{mbb} \qquad \text{Eq. 7.3.4}$$

where $CH_{4,mbb}$ is the methane emission from manure-based biogas, E is energy production included in the annual energy statistics, divided by the net calorific value (*NCV*) of CH_4 of 50.4 GJ per tonne (IPCC, 2006, C1, p1.19) and multiplied by the emission factor.

Activity data

The activity data for anaerobic digestion is the energy production from manure- and waste-based biogas facilities, these are available from the annual energy statistics; DEA (2025). Activity data are presented in Table 7.3.8 below.

Annual waste amounts treated at biogas facilities in Denmark are not available. Therefore, "NE" is reported as activity data in the CRT.

Emission factors

The 2006 IPCC Guidelines consider emissions from biogas plants (anaerobic digestion) as part of the waste sector. According to the 2006 IPCC Guidelines, emissions of CH_4 from such facilities due to unintentional leakages during process disturbances or other unexpected events will generally be between 0 and 10 % of the amount of CH_4 generated. In the absence of further information, use 5 percent as a default value for the CH_4 emissions (IPCC, 2006).

A Danish project measured leakages from nine biogas plants in Denmark. The results are reported in DEA (2015). Five of the plants were small farm-based plants while the other four were larger plants. The results were that the CH_4 leakage varied from nil to 10 % of the production. The largest leakage rates were detected for the larger plants. The weighted average for the nine plants was 4.2 % and the adopted emission factor, set equal to 0.042 for 1990-2016 (Eq. 7.3.4).

A voluntary measurement programme was started by the industry in 2017. The voluntary programme consisted of multiple elements including the establishment of own-check programmes, leak detection and quantification of the CH_4 emission (ENS, 2016).

In 2019, finances were allocated in the national budget to, amongst other things, carry out a more comprehensive measuring programme on biogas plants. The programme measured on different types of plants and the results were reported in 2021 (Gudmundsson et al., 2021).

The results are summarised in Table 7.3.6 below.

Table 7.3.6 Results from the measurement programme (Gudmundsson et al., 2021).

Plant type	Number of plants	Sum measured CH_4 production (kg CH_4/time)	Sum of measured CH_4 emission (kg CH_4/hour)	Emission factor (%)
Large plants	29	26 717	505	1.9 ± 0.3
Single farm plants	15	3246	128	3.9 ± 1.0
Industrial plants	1	467	9	2.0 ± 0.4

The weighted emission factor is 2.1 % for all plants combined.

The measurements cover 64 % of the CH_4 production from these plant types. However, the plants included in the programme did volunteer and hence it cannot be guaranteed that the plants are representative for all plants in Denmark. As such, the previously determined emission factor of 4.2 % is used for the plants not included in the measurement programme.

Therefore, the emission factor used in the inventory for 2020 is a weighted emission factor of the plants covered by the measurement programme and the plants not included. For 2020, the weighted emission factor is calculated based on 36 % of the production having an emission factor of 4.2 % and the remaining 64 % having an emission factor of 2.1 % resulting in a weighted emission factor of 2.9 % in 2020.

In 2024-2025, another measurement programme (Scheutz et al., 2025) was carried out as a follow-up to regulatory measures. This time the study ensured representative coverage across plant types, sizes and use of the produced gas. The study covers 57 of 92 Danish farm plants and 2 of 7 Danish industrial biogas facilities, representing approximately 60% of plants and about 73% of total biogas production in Denmark.

The results are summarised in Table 7.3.7 below.

Table 7.3.7 Results from the measurement programme (Scheutz et al., 2025).

Plant type	No. plants	Production, t CH_4/h	Emission, kg CH_4/h	Emission factor, %
Farm plant without upgrade	19	5.61	0.22	3.8
Farm plant with upgrade	38	42.04	1.03	2.5
Industrial plant	2	0.35	0.01	2.5
Total	59	48.00	1.26	2.6

The weighted emission factor from this newest measurement programme, is 2.6 % for all plants combined. This emission factor is applied for the year 2024.

The attention to the issue of emissions from biogas plants started in 2016/2017 and therefore the emission factor has been interpolated between 2016 (4.2 %) and 2020 (2.9 %) and between 2020 and 2024 (2.6 %), resulting in values of 3.9 %, 3.6 % and 3.2 % for 2017, 2018 and 2019 respectively and 2.83 %, 2.76 % and 2.62 % for 2021, 2022 and 2023 respectively.

Emissions

Table 7.3.8 and Annex Table 3F-3.3 presents the biogas production and the resulting emissions.

Table 7.3.8 Activity data and emissions from anaerobic digestion of organic waste.

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2020	2022	2023	2024
Biogas production, TJ	266	746	1442	2375	3184	5111	19725	27632	30484	30940
CH_4 production, t	5285	14798	28605	47127	63176	101409	391367	548248	604841	613892
CH_4 emission, t	222	622	1201	1979	2653	4259	11350	15132	16270	16084
CO_2 eq. emission, kt	6	17	34	55	74	119	318	424	456	450

7.4 Incineration and open burning

The CRT source category *5.C. Incineration and open burning* includes cremation of human bodies and animal carcasses.

Incineration of municipal, industrial, clinical and hazardous waste takes place with energy recovery and therefore the emissions are included in the relevant subsectors under CRT sector 1A. For documentation, please refer to Chapter 3.2. Flaring off-shore and in refineries are included under CRT sector 1B2c, for documentation please refer to Chapter 3.5. No flaring in chemical industry occurs in Denmark.

7.4.1 Emissions

Table 7.4.1 gives an overview of the Danish greenhouse gas emission from the CRT source category *5.C Incineration and open burning* comprised by emission from human and animal cremations. CO_2 emissions from animal and human cremations are biogenic.

Table 7.4.1 Methane and nitrous oxide emissions from cremations.

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2020	2022	2023	2024
CH_4 emission from										
Human cremation, t	0.48	0.52	0.49	0.48	0.49	0.51	0.55	0.60	0.59	0.59
Animal cremation, t	0.03	0.04	0.08	0.14	0.26	0.20	0.18	0.17	0.14	0.15
Total, t	0.51	0.55	0.57	0.62	0.76	0.71	0.73	0.78	0.74	0.74
N_2O emission from										
Human cremation, t	0.60	0.64	0.61	0.60	0.62	0.64	0.69	0.76	0.74	0.74
Animal cremation, t	0.03	0.05	0.10	0.17	0.33	0.25	0.23	0.22	0.18	0.19
Total, t	0.64	0.69	0.71	0.77	0.95	0.89	0.91	0.97	0.92	0.93
5C. Waste incineration										
Human cremation, kt CO_2 eq.	0.17	0.19	0.18	0.17	0.18	0.18	0.20	0.22	0.21	0.21
Animal cremation, kt CO_2 eq.	0.01	0.01	0.03	0.05	0.09	0.07	0.06	0.06	0.05	0.06
Total, kt CO_2 eq.	0.18	0.20	0.20	0.22	0.27	0.26	0.26	0.28	0.26	0.27

Emissions from human cremations constitutes 65 % (2010) to 95 % (1990) of the sub-sectoral total CO_2 equivalent emission. The trend in emissions from animal cremations is the most significant with an increase of a factor 4.6 in 2024 compared to 1990. Emissions for the whole time series are provided in Annex Table 3F-4.1.

There are no key categories in category *5.C Incineration and open burning*.

7.4.2 Human cremation

The incineration of human corpses is a common practice that is performed on an increasing part of the deceased. All Danish crematoria use optimised and controlled cremation facilities with temperatures reaching 800-850 °C, secondary combustion chambers, controlled combustion airflow and regulations for coffin materials.

Methodological issues

During the 1990s, all Danish crematoria were rebuilt to meet new standards. This included installation of secondary combustion chambers and in most cases replacement of old primary combustion chambers (Schleicher et al., 2001). All Danish crematoria are therefore performing controlled incinerations with a good burnout of the gases and a low emission of pollutants.

Following the development of new technology, the emission limit values for crematoria were lowered again in January 2011. These new standards were

originally expected from January 2009 but were postponed two years for existing crematoria. Table 7.4.2 shows a comparison of the emission limit values from February 1993 and the new standard limits.

Table 7.4.2 Emission limit values, mg per Nm^3 at 11 % O_2 (Schleicher & Gram, 2008).

Component	Report 2/1993	Standard terms (1/2011)
	Emission limit value mg per normal m^3 at 11 % O_2	
CO	500	500
Other demands:		
Stack height	3 m above rooftop	3 m above rooftop
Temperature in stack	Minimum 150 °C	Minimum 110 °C
Flue gas flow in stack	8 – 20 m/s	No demands
Temperature in after burner	850 °C	800 °C
Residence time in after burner	2 seconds	2 seconds

To meet the new standards, some crematoria have been rebuilt to larger capacity while others are closed (MILIKI, 2006). Since 2014, there are 19 operating crematoria in Denmark, some with multiple furnaces. In 2010, there were 31 operating crematoria (DKL, 2025).

Crematoria that were not closed are equipped with flue gas cleaning (bag filters with activated carbon) and use of air pollution control devices. The use of air pollution control devices will however not affect the greenhouse gas emissions.

Around half of the Danish crematoria are currently connected to the district heating system and in addition, some crematoria produce heat for use in their own buildings. The bag filter cleaning system requires that the flue gas is cooled down to 125-150 °C, and the cheapest way to do so is to use the surplus heat in the district heating system (DKL, 2009). The heat contribution from corpses is negligible compared to the total district heat production and is not part of the Danish energy statistics. Therefore, it is not included in the Energy sector. However, natural gas used as support fuel to start the cremation process is part of the energy statistics and included in the Energy sector.

Activity data

Table 7.4.3 shows the time series of total number of nationally deceased persons (Statistics Denmark, 2025), number of cremations and the fraction of cremated corpses in relation to the total number of deceased (DKL, 2025). Annex Table 3F-4.2 presents data for the entire time series 1990-2024.

Table 7.4.3 Activity data for human cremations.

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2020	2022	2023	2024
Nationally deceased	60,926	63,127	57,998	54,962	54,368	52,555	54,645	59,435	58,384	57,071
Cremations	40,991	43,847	41,651	40,758	42,050	43,238	46,910	51,435	50,493	50,191
Cremation fraction, %	67.3	69.5	71.8	74.2	77.3	82.3	85.8	86.5	86.5	87.9

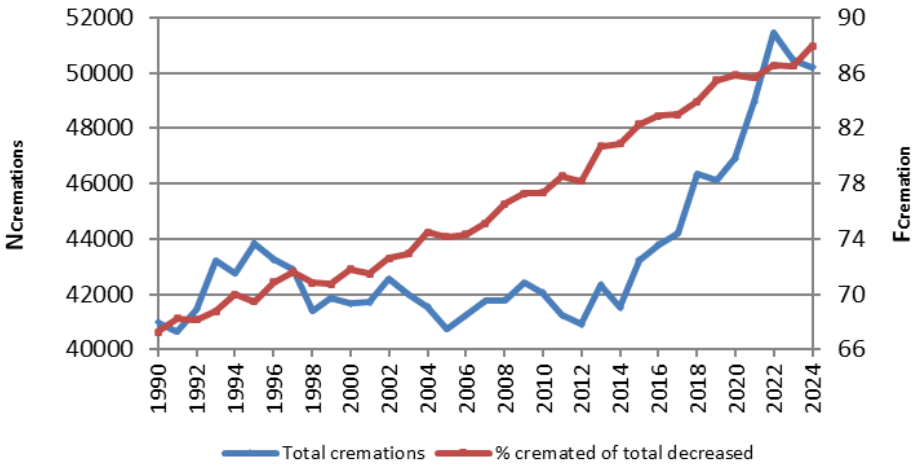


Figure 7.4.1 Visualisation of the development in cremations, where the number of cremations, $N_{cremations,}$ is shown at the left Y-axis. The cremation percentage, $F_{cremations}$, shows the percentage of cremated deceased of the total number of deceased.

Even though the total number of annual cremations is fluctuating, the cremation percentage has been steadily increasing since 1990. The average body weight is assumed to be 65 kg (EEA, 2023, 5.C.1.b.v, C3.2.2, p8).

Figure 7.4.2 presents the trend of the number of deceased persons together with the activity data for human cremation. The figure shows a direct connection between the number of deceased and the activity of human cremation as the two trends are quite similar. Figure 7.4.2 also shows the effect of the increasing fraction of cremations per deceased, as the two lines are nearing each other.

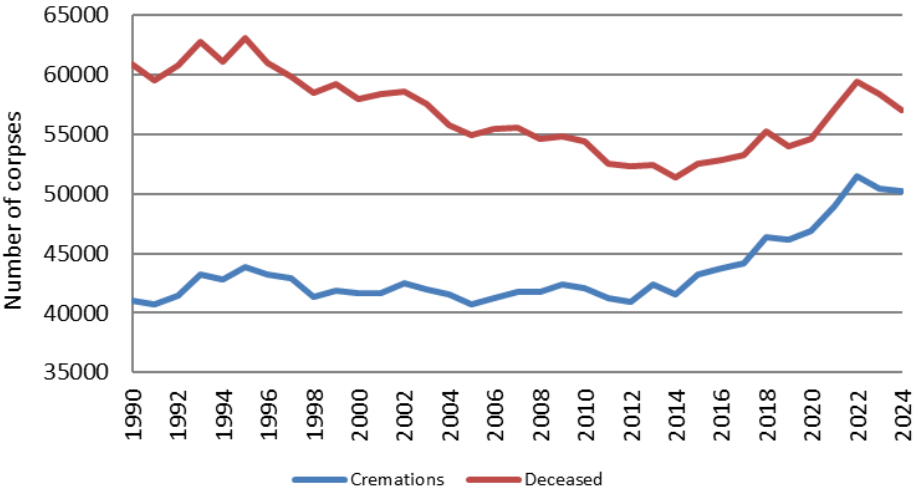


Figure 7.4.2 Trends of the activity data for cremation of human corpses and the national number of deceased persons.

Emission factors

For human cremation, emissions are calculated by multiplying the total number of human cremations by the emission factors. Since there are no measurements available of the annual emission from Danish crematoria, the estimation of emissions is based on emission factors from literature.

A literature search has provided the emission factors shown in Table 7.4.4. It has not been possible to find any additional data to validate the emission factors. It is not clear from the reference, whether the emission factors include

any contribution from the fuel use. However, as the emission factors are originally used in an inventory following the same reporting guidelines, it is assumed that the emission factors only include the contribution from the corpses and the casket.

Table 7.4.4 Emission factors for human cremation with references.

Pollutant name	Unit	Emission factor	Reference
CH_4	g/body	11.8	Aasestad, 2008
N_2O	g/body	14.7	Aasestad, 2008

7.4.3 Animal cremation

The incineration of animal carcasses in animal crematoria follows much the same procedure as human cremation. Animal crematoria use similar two chambered furnaces and controlled incineration. However, animal carcasses are incinerated in special designed plastic (PE) bags rather than coffins. Emissions from animal cremation are also similar to those from human cremation.

Animal cremations are performed in two ways, individually where the owner often pays for receiving the ashes in an urn or collectively, which is most often the case with animal carcasses that are left at the veterinarian.

Methodological issues

Open burning of animal carcasses is illegal in Denmark and is not occurring, and small-scale incinerators are not known to be used at Danish farms. Livestock that is diseased or in other ways unfit for consumption is disposed of through rendering plants. Incineration of livestock carcasses is illegal, and these carcasses are therefore commonly used in the production of fat and soap at Daka Bio-industries.

The only animal carcasses that are approved for cremation in Denmark are deceased pets, roadkill and animals used for experimental purposes, where the incineration must take place at a specialised animal crematorium. There are four animal crematoria in Denmark; one of these is situated at a waste incineration company in northern Jutland called AVV. The specially designed cremation furnaces are at this location connected to the flue gas cleaning equipment of the municipal waste incineration plant with energy recovery and the emission from the cremations are therefore included in the annual inventory from AVV and consequently included under the energy sector in this report. Therefore, only three animal crematoria are included in this section.

Animal by-products are regulated under the EU commission regulation no. 142/2011. This states that animal crematoria must be approved by the authority and comply either with the EU directive (2000/76/EC) (EC, 2000) on waste incineration or with Regulation (EC) No. 1069/2009 (EC, 2009).

The incineration of animal carcasses is, as the incineration of human corpses, performed in special incineration chambers. All Danish animal crematoria have primary combustion chambers with temperatures around 850 °C and secondary combustion chambers with temperatures around 1100 °C. The support fuel used at the Danish facilities is natural gas.

Activity data

Activity data for animal cremation are gathered directly from the animal crematoria. There is no national statistics available on the activity from these facilities. The precision of activity data therefore depends on the information provided by the crematoria.

Table 7.4.5 lists the four Danish animal crematoria, their foundation year and provides each crematorium with an id letter.

Table 7.4.5 Animal crematoria in Denmark.

Id	Name of crematorium	Founded in
A	Dansk Dyrekremering ApS	May 2006
B	Ada's Kæledyrskrematorium ApS	Unknown, has existed for more than 40 years
C	Kæledyrskrematoriet	2006
D	Kæledyrskrematoriet v. Modtage-station Vendsyssel I/S	-

Crematorium D is situated at the AVV municipal waste incineration site and the emissions from this site are, as previously mentioned, included in the annual emission reporting from AVV and consequently included in the energy sector in this report as waste incineration with energy recovery. Therefore, only crematoria A-C are considered in this chapter.

Table 7.4.6 lists the activity data for animal crematoria A-C. Activity data for the entire time series are available in Annex Table 3F-4.3.

Table 7.4.6 Activity data. Source: direct contact with all Danish crematoria.

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2020	2022	2023	2024
Total, t	150	200	443	762	1449	1119	995	960	786	847

Crematorium B delivered exact annual activity data for the years 1998-2011 and 2013-2024. They were not certain about the founding year but believe to have existed since the early 1980s. Activity data for 1990-1997 and 2012 have been estimated by expert judgement by DCE and interpolation respectively. It is not possible to extrapolate data back to 1990 because the activity, due to the steep trend line, in this case would become negative.

Emission factors

Concerning the incineration of animal carcasses in animal crematoria there is not much literature to be found.

Emission factors for CH_4 and N_2O are collected from the literature search on human cremation, and it is assumed that humans and animals are similar in composition for this purpose. Emission factors from human cremation are recalculated to match the activity data for animal cremation. Table 7.4.7 lists the emission factors and their references. As stated in the description of the emission factors for human cremation, it is not clear from the reference, whether a contribution from the fuel has been included, but most likely not.

Table 7.4.7 Emission factors for animal cremation.

Pollutant name	Unit	Emission factor	Reference
CH_4	g/t	182	Aasestad, 2008
N_2O	g/t	226	Aasestad, 2008

7.5 Wastewater treatment and discharge

The CRT source category *5.D Wastewater treatment and discharge* includes CH_4 and N_2O emissions from wastewater treatment and from discharge in both the residential/commercial and industrial sectors. Emissions from the part of the Danish population not connected to the sewer system is also included. Emissions are divided in the two CRT categories:

- *5.D.1 Domestic wastewater*, which contains emissions from domestic wastewater, commercial wastewater and industrial wastewater in the cases where the industries are connected to the sewer system. All these contributions are mixed in the sewer system and treated at municipal treatment sites, category 5.D.1 is therefore also called "municipal wastewater" in this report.
- *5.D.2 Industrial wastewater*, which contains emissions from industries that are not connected to the sewer system, also called "separate industries" in this report.

Category *5.D.1 Domestic wastewater* is a key category for CH_4 emission level in 2024 and trend according to Approach 2 KCA and a key category for N_2O emissions in both 1990 and 2024 according to the level analysis for Approach 2 key category analysis (KCA) and for the N_2O emission level in 2024 according to Approach 1 KCA and for the N_2O trend according to Approach 2. *5.D.2 Industrial wastewater* is only a key category for the CH_4 emission level in 1990 and for trend according to Approach 2 KCA. For more information on key categories, please refer to Chapter 7.1.2, Chapter 1.5 and Annex 1.

For more information on the wastewater sector, please refer to Hjelgaard (2025).

7.5.1 Overall emissions

Wastewater can be a source of methane (CH_4) when treated or disposed anaerobically or when dissolved CH_4 enters aerated treatment systems. It can also be a source of nitrous oxide (N_2O) emissions. Carbon dioxide (CO_2) emissions from wastewater are not considered here because these are generally derived from biogenic organic matter in human excreta or food waste and should not be included in national total emissions. (IPCC, 2019).

This source category includes an estimation of the emission of CH_4 and N_2O from wastewater handling, i.e. wastewater collection and treatment. CH_4 is produced during anaerobic conditions and treatment processes, while N_2O may be generated and emitted as a by-product from nitrification (aerobic processes) and denitrification (anaerobic processes) during biological treatment (Adouani et al., 2010; Kampschreur et al., 2009).

This source category also includes CH_4 and N_2O emissions from effluent wastewater. Dissolved CH_4 and N_2O in discharges, have the potential to be released in the receiving waters where emissions will depend on the nutrient level of the receiving waters. Emissions are higher when wastewater is discharged into nutrient-impacted/eutrophic conditions, e.g. in lakes where carbon accumulates in sediments, giving a higher potential for methane generation (IPCC, 2019). No information on the types of receiving waters for wastewater effluent are available for Denmark.

For the N_2O emissions, starting material in the influent may be urea, ammonia, and proteins, which are converted to nitrate by nitrification. Denitrification is an anaerobic biological conversion of nitrate into dinitrogen. N_2O is an intermediate of both processes. A Danish investigation indicates that N_2O is formed during aeration steps in the sludge treatment processes as well as during anaerobic treatments, the former contributing most to the N_2O emissions during sludge treatment (Gejlsbjerg et al., 1999; DEPA, 2015).

Figure 7.5.1 presents the overall greenhouse gas emissions from wastewater treatment and discharge in Denmark.

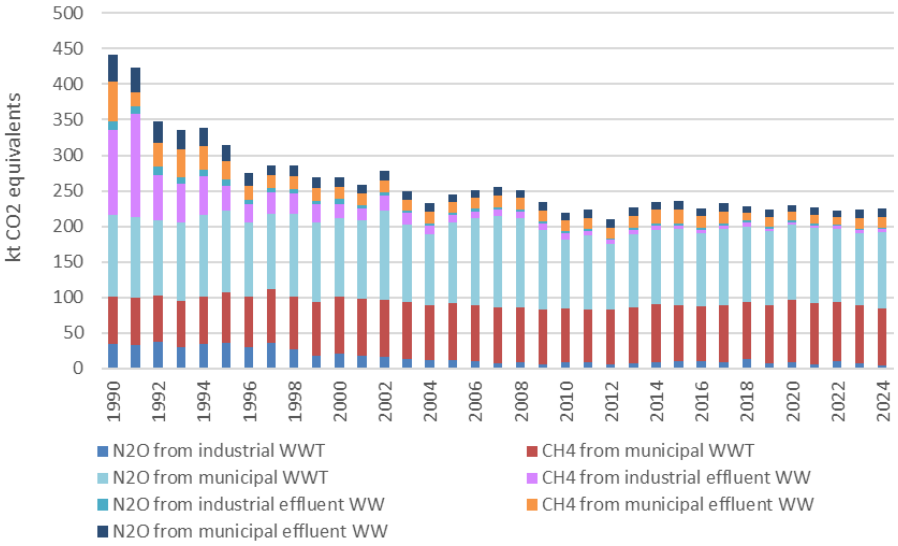


Figure 7.5.1 Overall emissions from sector 5.D Wastewater treatment and discharge. WWT = wastewater treatment, WW = wastewater.

Emissions are described in more detail in Chapter 7.5.6 Emissions below.

7.5.2 Category description

All wastewater in Denmark is treated in either centralised wastewater treatment plants (WWTPs), at industries with separate wastewater treatment or in septic systems. During cloudbursts, there may be discharge without treatment, but emissions from this is included through measurement of rain-related effluents.

The Danish wastewater treatment system has over time developed from many smaller WWTPs to fewer bigger and more advanced WWTPs. From 1989 to 2023, the number of WWTPs with at least 30 PE has decreased from 1980 to 656 (SGAV, 2024). The amount of wastewater treated at the most technologically advanced WWTPs in Denmark has likewise increased, from 10 % in 1989 to above 90 % since 2013 (DMEGE, 1995 and SGAV, 2024). Improvements of the centralised- and decentralised wastewater treatment systems as well as the sewer system are on-going in Denmark.

Wastewater streams from households and industries are mixed in the sewer system prior to treatment at centralised WWTPs. The contribution from the industry to the influent wastewater at the centralised WWTPs is known for the years 1998-2003 and has an average of 40.7 % (37 % - 48 %) with the highest influent contribution occurring at the biggest and most advanced technological WWTPs in Denmark (DMEGE, 2010).

For the part of the population, which is not connected to the collective sewer system (i.e. scattered houses), septic systems are applied. A septic system is usually composed of a septic tank buried in the ground, and a soil dispersal system for liquids. Solid-, dense- and floatable materials contained in the influent, are retained in the septic tanks as sludge, where it undergoes anaerobic digestion until emptied. The gas produced from anaerobic sludge digestion (mainly CH_4 and largely biogenic CO_2) are usually released through vents (IPCC, 2019, 6.1.2). Septic sludge is collected and transported for treatment at the centralised WWTPs. Municipal collection of sludge from septic tanks occurs at a frequency set by the local authorities and in general, septic tanks are emptied once a year.

The number of houses not connected to the sewer system is known from SGAV (2024) and the total number is known from Statistics Denmark (2025). From this information, the trend in the fraction of population not connected to the sewer system is calculated. The fraction of the population not connected to the sewer system decreased from 11.5% in 1990 to 6.9% in 2024.

Regarding diffuse emissions from the sewer system, very little data are available (e.g. Lyngby-Taarbæk Kommune, 2014). It is known that centralised wastewater treatment plants are associated with increased residence times, which increases the risk of the occurrence of bottom sediments and thus biological decomposition of organic matter in the sewage system. However, the sewer system is hydraulically designed to prevent the accumulation of bottom sediments and under such conditions, temporary anaerobic processes will be dominated by fermentation and sulphate reduction, which means that the possibility of methane formation may be ignored (DANVA, 2008; DANVA, 2011; Hvitved-Jacobsen, 2001).

Latrines are no longer commonly used in Denmark. Latrines can still be found in some remote allotment associations (tiny holiday houses), at public forest shelters or temporarily at large events like music festivals. The use of latrines in Denmark is negligible and not considered further in this report.

For more information on the wastewater sector, please refer to Hjelgaard (2025).

7.5.3 Methodological issues

The following contributions to the wastewater sub-sector are included in the Danish greenhouse gas inventories:

- CH_4 from sewer systems and wastewater treatment
- CH_4 from anaerobic treatment plants
- CH_4 from septic tanks
- CH_4 from wastewater discharge
- N_2O from wastewater treatment
- N_2O from wastewater discharge

The methodologies developed for estimating emissions from wastewater treatment and discharge follows the IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006 and 2019). Denmark applies Tier 3 methodologies.

Denmark is a small country with a very high level of equality in living standards; there is no difference between centralised wastewater treatment in different areas of Denmark. Calculations are therefore not split into different in-

come groups. (IPCC, 2019, Vol. 5, Ch. 6, eq. 6.3A). The Danish emission inventory for wastewater treatment and discharge is a country level methodology based on plant level monitoring activity data in the influent and effluent wastewater. At the present stage of development, the country level methodology applies national activity data and a mix of default and country specific emission factors.

Compared to many other countries, Denmark is in a good position regarding the availability of monitoring data quantifying the input activity data at plant level. This implies that monitoring data on BOD, COD and total-N are available for all WWTPs in Denmark. Therefore, Denmark applies Tier 3 methodologies for all source categories within the wastewater sector – except for effluent wastewater (indirect) emissions.

Denmark experiences significant seasonal temperature variations, and as recommended by IPCC (2019, Vol. 5, Ch. 6, page 6.19) therefore uses a country specific emission factor for decentralised treatment systems of domestic wastewater, i.e. septic tanks.

Monitoring data on the influent and effluent resources, i.e. waste flow, N, P, biological oxygen demand (BOD) and chemical oxygen demand (COD) for the wastewater are available for all WWTPs in Denmark and reported by the Danish Ministry of Green Transition (SGAV), the National Focal Point for point sources. SGAV collects all point source data from the National Monitoring and Assessment Programme for the Aquatic and Terrestrial Environments (NOVANA) (SGAV, 2024). Since the late eighties, annual reports have documented results from the monitoring of point sources, i.e. wastewater treatment plants, industries, rain-related effluent (storm water), scattered houses, freshwater aquacultures and maricultures.

Data on energy production from Danish wastewater treatment plant with anaerobic sludge digestion are available from the energy statistics (DEA, 2025) and presented in Table 7.5.1 and Annex Table 3F-5.1 (Biogas production, TJ). These data do not include any information on venting or flaring.

The following descriptions of methodological issues are presented separately for each contribution to the wastewater treatment and discharge emissions.

Methane emission from sewers and municipal wastewater treatment

The fugitive emissions from the sewer system, primary (and secondary) settling tank and biological N and P removal processes, $CH_{sewer+MB}$, are estimated as:

$$CH_{4,sewer+MB} = TOW_{inlet} \cdot EF_{sewer+MB} = TOW_{inlet} \cdot B_0 \cdot MCF_{sewer+MB}$$

Eq. 7.5.1

Where TOW_{inlet} equals the influent organic degradable matter measured as the chemical oxygen demand (COD) in the influent wastewater flow. B_o is the default maximum CH_4 producing capacity, i.e. 0.25 kg CH_4 per kg COD (IPCC, 2019). $MCF_{sewer+MB}$ is the fraction of DOC that is anaerobically converted to CH_4 in sewers and WWTPs, i.e. 0.003 based on the expert knowledge on the state and technological management of the Danish wastewater by Vollertsen (2012). The $MCF_{sewer+MB}$ value from Vollertsen (2012) is a conservative estimate of the fugitive methane emission from the settling tanks (clarifiers) and aerobic biological treatment processes, based on the knowledge that the factor is

well below 0.1 % of influent COD. The fugitive emission from the sewer system is judged to be negligible or zero by DANVA (DANVA, 2008 and 2011).

The emission factor, $EF_{sewer+MB}$, for these three processes and systems, i.e. sewer system, clarifiers and biological N and P removal processes equals 0.75 g CH_4 per kg COD in the inlet wastewater.

The methane emissions from sewer, mechanical and aerobic biological treatment are common treatment steps for all WWTPs whether they apply anaerobic digestion or aerobic stabilisation as sludge management strategy (Thomsen et al., 2015). For this reason, the activity data used for calculating the methane emission from sewer, mechanical, and biological treatment processes at centralised treatment plants is the total national COD in the influent wastewater.

Methane emission from anaerobic digestion

The net methane emission from anaerobic treatment processes of sludge in closed systems with biogas extraction for energy production is estimated according to Equation 7.5.2:

$$CH_{4,AD,net} = EF_{AD} \cdot CH_{4,AD,recovered} = EF_{AD} \cdot \frac{E_{recovered}}{NCV_{CH_4}} \qquad \text{Eq. 7.5.2}$$

Where the emission factor, EF_{AD}, is the gross energy production leakage rate, based on measured data at biogas facilities at wastewater treatment plants. $CH_{4,AD,recovered}$ is the collected methane which can be calculated from the measured biogas recovery ($E_{recovered}$) and the net calorific value of methane (NCV_{CH4}) of 52.04 MJ per kg CH_4. $E_{recovered}$ is available from the energy statistics (DEA, 2025).

The leakage rate EF_{AD} of 6.9 % is calculated from Gudmundsson et al. (2021, Tabel 15 and Tabel 18), where the methane emission from WWTPs excluding emissions from gas engines are divided by the gas production at WWTPs.

Sludge storage tanks without gas collection are considered to be a significant source of emissions. As there is typically no gas collection at sludge storage tanks, this may partly explain the relatively high measured methane emissions at sewage treatment plants compared to other plant types (Gudmundsson et al., 2021).

The country specific methane content in biogas (NCV_{CH4}) of 52.04 MJ per kg CH_4, is calculated from the calorific value 23 GJ per 1,000 m^3 biogas provided by the DEA (2025), a percentage volume content of methane in biogas of 65 % (Johansen, 2013, T4.9) and a density of 0.68 kg CH_4 per Nm^3 (Dutt, 2003).

Methane emissions from separate industries are included in the inventory as all WWTPs with bio-gasification of sludge are included in the Energy Statistics (DEA, 2025).

Methane emission from septic tanks

For the part of the population not connected to the collective sewer system, simple decentralised wastewater handling is assumed and modelled as septic tanks. Only few measurements are available of the methane emissions from septic tanks and information on the management of septate is sparse. Variations in measured methane emissions are likely linked to temperature and emptying frequency (Nielsen et al., 2018). A septic tank should be emptied at

least once a year, but the frequency may vary depending on different factors. The emptying of septic tanks is regulated by the municipalities and may therefore vary across Denmark.

The methane emission is calculated as:

$$CH_{4,ST} = EF_{ST} \cdot f_{nc} \cdot P \qquad \text{Eq. 7.5.3}$$

Where P is the population number. f_{nc} is the fraction of the population that is not connected to the sewer system, i.e. scattered houses, which is a time series that steadily decreases from 11.5 % in 1990 to 6.9 % in 2024. And EF_{ST} is the emission factor for septic tanks.

f_{nc} is calculated from data on total existing Danish housings (available for the entire time series from Statistics Denmark, 2025) and the distribution of property types for the scattered settlement (available for 1993, 1995, 2002, 2008 and 2010-2023 from SGAV, 2024, and earlier versions). The intermediate years are calculated via interpolation and 1990-1992 are set to equal 1993.

A country specific EF_{ST} has been calculated based on measured methane emission of 0.695 g CH_4 per PE per day (Nielsen et al., 2018), as shown in Equation 7.5.4:

$$EF_{ST} = 0.695 \frac{\text{g CH}_4}{\text{PE·d}} \cdot 10 \cdot 365 \frac{d}{y} = 2.54 \frac{\text{kg CH}_4}{\text{PE·y}} \qquad \text{Eq. 7.5.4}$$

The country specific EF_{ST} value is derived by applying an uncertainty factor of 10 to account for the fact that the general state of installed septic tanks is of older date and may not be functioning optimal (Vollertsen, 2018).

Methane emission factors are generally expressed as g CH_4 per kg COD (like for wastewater treatment and - discharge). For easier comparison between emission factors, EF_{ST} can be calculated into the unit of "per COD", using the default DOC_{ST} of 54.31 kg COD per person per year. The default DOC_{ST} is derived from the default value of 62 g BOD per person per day and the default COD per BOD conversion factor of 2.4 (both from IPCC, 2019). The EF_{ST} value is then 46.7 g CH_4 per kg COD, which is the value presented in Table 7.5.2.

Methane emissions from discharge

The fugitive CH_4 emission from effluent wastewater includes discharge from both:

- Municipal wastewater, including effluents from municipal wastewater treatment plants, rain-related effluents and effluents from scattered houses not connected to the sewage system.
- Industrial wastewater, including effluents from wastewater treatment plants at separate industries and effluents from aquaculture.

Emissions are calculated according to Equation 7.5.5:

$$CH_{4,discharge} = TOW_{effluent} \cdot EF_{CH_4,discharge} = TOW_{effluent} \cdot B_0 \cdot MCF_{discharge}$$
$$= TOW_{effluent} \cdot 0.25 \frac{kg\ CH_4}{kg\ COD} \cdot 0.11 = TOW_{effluent} \cdot 27.5 \frac{g\ CH_4}{kg\ COD} \qquad \text{Eq. 7.5.5}$$

Where $TOW_{effluent}$ equals the effluent organic degradable matter measured as the chemical oxygen demand (COD) in the effluent wastewater flow. B_o is the

default maximum CH_4 producing capacity, i.e. 0.25 kg CH_4 per kg COD (IPCC, 2019). $MCF_{discharge}$ is the fraction of DOC that is discharged to waterbodies. Since the Danish monitoring data does not include a categorisation of wastewater discharge by the type of waterbody, the default Tier 1 value of 0.11 from IPCC (2019, Table 6.3) is applied.

$TOW_{effluent}$ is available from SGAV (2025) for each of the five contributions mentioned above Equation 7.5.5 separately, these are summed into municipal- and industrial wastewater streams and emissions are calculated and reported in the CRT tables separately for the two streams. The emission factor for discharge $EF_{CH4,discharge}$, regardless of whether the effluent wastewater is from municipal or industrial sources, equals 27.5 g CH_4 per kg COD.

Nitrous oxide emission from wastewater treatment

All Danish wastewater treatment plants have implemented biological N-removal treatment processes, which are associated with some loss of N_2O due to incompleteness in the denitrification step (Thomsen et al., 2015). The N_2O emission from wastewater treatment processes is calculated according to Equation 7.5.6:

$$N_2O_{WWT} = EF_{N_2O,WWT} \cdot m_{N,influent} \qquad \text{Eq. 7.5.6}$$

Where the process related $EF_{N2O,WWT}$ is 13.2 kg N_2O per tonne N load in the influent wastewater. This value is calculated from 8.4 kg N_2O-N per tonne N (DEPA, 2020) and the stochiometric relation between nitrous oxide and N_2 (44/28). $m_{N.influent}$ is the influent N load flow of either municipal or industrial wastewater, as the two streams are calculated and reported in the CRT tables separately. The influent N load is monitored and annually reported by SGAV (2025 and earlier versions).

The national emission factor from DEPA (2020) is the product of a Danish monitoring campaign running on six wastewater treatment plants in the period 2018 to 2020, covering a range variety of plants in terms of size, nitrogen loading, sludge treatment configuration and reject water handling. The national N_2O emission factor of 0.84 % N_2O-N per Total-N inlet is about half of the IPCC (2019) default value (1.6 %), but within the IPCC range (0.02 % to 4.5 %). The national value is also verified by a study from the LaGas-project on the biggest WWTP in Denmark, as this study found an emission factor of 0.4-1.2 % N_2O-N per Total-N (Delre et al., 2017).

For separate industrial wastewater treatment plants, influent N load is not available from the monitoring programme but only the effluent total-N load. The influent N load is therefore estimated from the effluent time series, by assuming that the industrial treatment plants have the same average N-removal efficiency as municipal treatment plants.

Nitrous oxide emission from discharge

The N_2O emission from effluent wastewater includes discharge from both:

- Municipal wastewater, including effluents from municipal wastewater treatment plants, rain-related effluents and effluents from scattered houses not connected to the sewage system
- Industrial wastewater, including effluents from wastewater treatment plants at separate industries and effluents from aquaculture

Emissions are calculated according to Equation 7.5.7:

$$N_2O_{discharge} = D_N \cdot EF_{N_2O,discharge} \quad \text{Eq. 7.5.7}$$

Where D_N is the effluent discharged sewage nitrogen load monitored by the National monitoring program and $EF_{N2O,discharge}$ is 7.9 kg N_2O per tonne N load in the effluent wastewater. This emission factor value is calculated from the IPCC Tier 1 default emission factor of 0.005 kg N_2O-N per kg N (IPCC, 2019, Vol. 5, Ch. 6, Table 6.8A) and the stochiometric relation between nitrous oxide and N_2O-N (44/28). The IPCC Guidelines also provides a Tier 3 emission factor of 0.019 kg N_2O-N per kg N, relevant for "nutrient-impacted and/or hypoxic freshwater, estuarine, and marine environments". This emission factor will be relevant for some locations in Denmark in some periods of the year. However, as it is not currently possible to divide the effluent wastewater between different discharge pathways, the default Tier 1 emission factor is applied for all effluent wastewaters.

D_N is available from SGAV (2025) for each of the five contributions mentioned above Equation 7.5.7, these are summed into municipal- and industrial wastewater streams and emissions are calculated and reported in the CRT tables separately for the two streams.

7.5.4 Activity data

The Danish EPA is responsible for monitoring and annual reporting of plant level (point sources) data within the national water quality database under the programme NOVANA (the National Monitoring and Assessment Programme for the Aquatic and Terrestrial Environments). Influent and effluent water quality monitoring data on nitrogen, phosphorous, biological and chemical oxygen demand (COD and BOD) are available for all WWTPs in Denmark with more than 30 PE. For separate industrial wastewater, mainly data on effluent wastewater are reported (SGAV, 2024 and 2025). The Danish aquatic monitoring programme also includes measurements of emissions to the aquatic environment from aquaculture, rain-related effluents, and scattered settlements.

The time series for activity data on population, biogas production, volume of wastewater handled, TOW and N load are presented in Table 7.5.1. The full time series are presented in Annex Table 3F-5.1.

Table 7.5.1 Activity data for wastewater treatment and discharge.

	Abbreviation	Unit	1990	2000	2005	2010	2015	2020	2024
Population	P	1000s	5135	5330	5411	5535	5660	5823	5961
People outside sewage system	f_{nc}	%	11.5	10.7	10.3	9.4	8.5	7.4	6.9
Biogas production	$E_{recovered}$	TJ	458	857	913	840	1002	1293	1153
Influent TOW at municipal WWTPs	TOW_{inlet}	kt COD	349	390	353	370	387	388	385
Effluent TOW from municipal sector[1]	$TOW_{effluent,municipal}$	kt COD	72.2	22.5	19.2	20.5	24.7	15.5	19.4
Effluent TOW from industrial sector[2]	$TOW_{effluent,industrial}$	kt COD	154	24.4	13.3	12.6	7.3	4.8	4.8
Influent Total-N at municipal WWTPs	$m_{N,influent,municipal}$	kt	33.2	31.7	32.4	27.4	30.5	30.3	30.6
Influent Total-N at industrial WWTPs	$m_{N,influent,industrial}$	kt	9.7	5.8	3.2	2.6	2.7	2.6	1.3
Effluent Total-N from municipal sector[1]	$D_{N,municipal}$	kt	18.3	6.4	5.4	5.2	6.0	4.6	5.8
Effluent Total-N from industrial sector[2]	$D_{N,industrial}$	kt	6.0	3.6	1.7	1.3	1.4	1.2	1.1

[1]Municipal WWTPs, scattered houses and rain-related effluent.

[2]Industrial WWTPs and aquaculture farming.

The discharges of nitrogen and organic matter from point sources were significantly reduced in the period 1990 to the mid-1990s due to the expansion of wastewater treatment plants with nutrient removal, as well as efforts to reduce discharges from industries. (SGAV, 2025 and earlier versions).

Monitoring data on the influent BOD and COD are available for mixed industrial and household wastewater treated at municipal WWTPs. These data are used for calculating the total organic waste (TOW) in the influent wastewater. For 1999-2004, 2007-2013 and 2015-2024, plant level TOW data exists for Danish WWTPs. These data are verified by comparing them with calculated TOW values, see Annex Table 3F-5.2. Data for the three missing intermediate years are interpolated. The selected TOW values for 1990-1998, are estimated from data on population, the default BOD production, default COD per BOD ratio and default fraction of industrial and commercial co-discharged protein ($F_{IND-COM}$), all default values are from IPCC (2019) (cf. Table 7.5.2). All calculated TOW data are presented in Annex Table 3F-.5.2.

Influent and effluent data on TOW and N content are available from SGAV (2025).

Plant level TOW data are generally available in both COD and BOD, allowing for the calculation of a country specific COD per BOD ratio. The Danish COD per BOD ratio ranges between 2.3-2.8 for 1990-2024, with an average for the time series of 2.4; this is in line with the IPCC (2019) default value of 2.4.

For the anaerobic digestion of sludge, the biogas production from the Danish energy statistics (DEA, 2025) were used to quantify the amount of methane lost by venting/leakage (Equation 7.5.2).

Population data and data on the total number of different housing types in Denmark are available from Statistics Denmark (2025) and the distribution of property types for the scattered settlement is available from SGAV (2024).

7.5.5 Emission factors

The applied emission factors are presented in Table 7.5.2 below. Details on the calculation of the calculated emission factors and on the general choice of emission factors, are given in Chapter 7.5.3, where the emission factors are presented as part of the description on applied methodology.

Table 7.5.2 Emission factors applied in the Danish inventories for wastewater.

Emission factor	Description	Unit	Value	Source
B_o	Max. CH_4 producing capacity	kg CH_4/kg COD	0.25	IPCC (2019), V5C6, Table 6.2
$MCF_{sewer+MB}$	CH_4 correction factor	-	0.003	Vollertsen (2012)
$MCF_{discharge}$	CH_4 correction factor (tier 1)	-	0.11	IPCC (2019), V5C6, Table 6.3+6.8
NCV_{CH4}	Net calorific value	MJ/kg CH_4	52.04	Calculated in Chapter 7.5.3
BOD	Default biochemical oxygen demand production	g/person/day	62	IPCC (2019), V5C6, Table 6.4
BOD/COD ratio	Default biological- per chemical oxygen demand ratio	-	2.4	IPCC (2019), V5C6, page 6.18
$F_{IND-COM}$	Default fraction of industrial and commercial co-discharged protein	-	1.25	IPCC (2019), V5C6, Table 6.11
$EF_{sewer+MB}$	CH_4 EF for sewers + WWTPs	kg CH_4/t COD	0.75	Calculated in Chapter 7.5.3
EF_{AD}	CH_4 EF for biogas plants	-	6.9%	Gudmundsson (2021)*
EF_{ST}	CH_4 EF for septic tanks	kg CH_4/t COD	46.7	Calculated in Chapter 7.5.3
$EF_{CH4,discharge}$	CH_4 EF for discharge of effluent	kg CH_4/t COD	27.5	Calculated in Chapter 7.5.3
$EF_{N2O,direct}$	N_2O EF from WWT	kg N_2O/t N in influent	13.2	DEPA (2020)*
$EF_{N2O,discharge}$	N_2O EF from discharge of effluent	kg N_2O/t N in effluent	7.9	Calculated in Chapter 7.5.3

*The emission factor is not directly available in the reference, see Chapter 7.5.3 for details

The emission factor from Gudmundsson (2021) of 6.9% CH_4 leakage from biogas plants in the wastewater sector, is updated in the report Scheutz et al. (2025) to 9.7%. However, this new publication does not specify emissions from gas engines, and these can therefore not be subtracted. Also, the new study represents 20 WWT sites with a total methane production of 1.1 tonnes CH_4 per hour, while Gudmundsson (2021) represents 24 sites with a production of 2.1 tonnes CH_4 per hour. It is concluded that the increased leakage rate seen in the new study is partly caused by the inclusion of gas engines and not significantly different from the applied factor given the uncertainties. The results from the new study are therefore not included in the calculations at this point.

7.5.6 Emissions

The individual contribution to the methane and nitrous oxide emissions are given in Table 7.5.3, data for the whole time series is provided in Annex Table 3F-5.3.

Table 7.5.3 Emissions from wastewater treatment and discharge.

	Unit	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2020	2023	2024
$CH_{4,\ anaerobic\ digestion,\ net}$	kt	0.6	0.8	1.1	1.2	1.1	1.3	1.7	1.6	1.5
$CH_{4,\ sewers\ +\ MB}$	kt	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3
$CH_{4,\ septic\ tanks}$	kt	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.4	1.3	1.2	1.1	1.1	1.1
$CH_{4,\ domestic\ effluent}$	kt	2.0	0.9	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.4	0.5	0.5
$CH_{4,\ industrial\ effluent}$	Kt	4.2	1.2	0.7	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1
$CH_{4,\ total}$	kt CO_2e	241	132	117	106	101	104	102	101	99
$N_2O,\ _{plants,\ domestic}$	t	439	435	418	428	361	403	400	387	404
$N_2O,\ _{effluent,\ domestic}$	t	48	33	28	13	10	11	10	8	8
$N_2O,\ _{plants,\ separate\ industries}$	t	128	137	77	42	34	36	35	25	17
$N_2O,\ _{effluent,\ separate\ industries}$	t	144	86	50	42	41	47	36	44	45
$N_2O,\ _{total}$	kt CO_2e	201	183	152	139	118	132	128	123	126
Total greenhouse gas	kt	441	315	269	245	220	236	230	223	225

Regarding the methane time trend, the net CH_4 emission, $CH_{4.anaerobic\ digestion.net}$, from anaerobic treatment (i.e. after biogas recovery) has increased 152 % from 1990 to 2024. A less significant increase of 10 % is observed in the CH_4 emission, $CH_{4.sewer+MB}$, from the sewer system (incl. mechanical and biological treat-

ment at WWTPs). CH_4 emissions, $CH_{4.septic\ tanks}$, from scattered houses not connected to the collective sewer system have decreased with 30 % reflecting the increase in the number of people connected to the collective sewer system. Lastly, CH_4 emissions from discharge have decreased with 73 % and 97 % respectively for municipal and industrial effluent, this reflecting the improved efficiency of WWTPs during the time series. In total, CH_4 emissions, $CH_{4.total}$, quantified as the sum of the five contributions to CH_4 emissions, have decreased by 59 % from 1990 to 2024.

Regarding the nitrous oxide time trend, the N_2O emission from the effluent wastewater has decreased 86 % and 68 % from 1990 to 2024 for centralised sources and separate industries respectively, while the N_2O emission from wastewater treatment plants has decreased by 8 % and 83 % for centralised and separate sources respectively. The decrease in the emission from effluent wastewater is due to the technical upgrade and centralisation of the Danish WWTPs following the adoption of the Action Plan on the Aquatic Environment in 1987. The effluent related emission from wastewater effluent has decreased from 191 tonnes N_2O in 1990 to 54 tonnes N_2O in 2024 corresponding to a reduction of 72 %. The trend in plant related N_2O emissions only decreases from 567 tonnes in 1990 to 421 tonnes in 2024 (-26 %), this is due to the influent N measurements to the centralised treatment plants only decreasing 8 % from 1990 to 2024, part of the reason being the increased fraction of industrial wastewater being treated at municipal WWTPs.

The N_2O emissions are mainly caused by WWTPs, contributing with between 75 % (1990) and 91 % (2022) of total N_2O emission from this sub-sector.

The N_2O emissions from municipal effluent wastewater, includes WWTP effluents, rain-related effluents as well as effluents from scattered houses, while N_2O emissions from separate industries includes separate industrial discharges and effluent from aquaculture.

The annual fluctuations in N_2O may be caused by several factors, e.g. climatic condition such as variations in precipitation and as a result varying contributions to the influent N and varying characteristics of especially the industrial contributions to the influent. Furthermore, infiltration of groundwater, as well as exfiltration of overload rainwater and wastewater (SGAV, 2024 and Vollertsen et al., 2002), may contribute to the fluctuation in the trend of the calculated N_2O emission.

7.6 Other

The CRT category *5.E Other* is comprised by the subcategory accidental fires grouped into four types of accidental fires: Vehicle fires, Container fires, Residential building fires and Non-residential building fires.

Category *5.E Accidental fires* is identified as a key category for CO_2 emissions for both 1990 level and 2024 level for Approach 2, due to the high uncertainty of the emission calculations.

7.6.1 Emissions

Greenhouse gasses that are estimated from these processes are CH_4 and CO_2 as presented in Table 7.6.1. No emission factors are available for N_2O, wherefore N_2O is reported as Not Estimated in the CRT tables. The full time series

for emissions related to accidental fires along with the biogenic CO_2 emissions are shown in Annex Table 3F-6.1.

Table 7.6.1 Overall emission of greenhouse gasses from accidental fires.

		1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2020	2022	2023	2024
Non-biogenic CO_2 emission from											
Vehicle fires	kt	7.2	8.2	7.2	7.0	7.1	6.6	6.6	7.0	4.6	5.0
Container fires	kt	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.5	0.7	0.5	0.5	0.4
Residential fires	kt	5.2	6.0	5.3	5.1	5.1	4.6	4.6	4.4	4.3	3.7
Non-residential fires	kt	3.5	4.0	3.5	3.4	3.1	3.0	2.8	2.9	2.6	3.2
Total non-biogenic CO_2	kt	16.5	18.9	16.6	16.0	15.7	14.7	14.7	14.8	12.0	12.4
CH_4 emission from											
Vehicle fires	t	15.0	17.2	15.1	14.6	14.7	13.8	13.7	14.7	9.5	10.5
Container fires	t	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.2
Residential fires	t	142.6	164.3	144.5	138.6	138.4	124.9	126.4	118.6	115.7	101.8
Non-residential fires	t	99.2	113.7	100.1	96.4	88.3	86.0	79.9	82.9	75.4	90.0
Total CH_4	t	257.0	295.6	260.1	249.8	241.6	225.0	220.3	216.5	200.9	202.5
Total 5.E Other											
Total CO_2-eqvivalents	kt	23.7	27.2	23.9	23.0	22.4	21.0	20.9	20.9	17.6	18.1

CO_2 emissions from combustion of wood in building structures and interior are biogenic and hence not included here nor in the CRT.

7.6.1 Category description

This category covers emissions from fires in buildings, vehicles and containers, these fires are collectively called accidental fires, although they are in practice not always accidental. Emissions are calculated by multiplying the activity data of either mass or area, with selected emission factors.

In January 2005, it became mandatory for the local authorities to register every rescue assignment in the online data registration- and reporting system called ODIN (www.odin.dk). ODIN is developed and run by the Danish Emergency Management Agency (DEMA, 2007). The new system took a few years to refine; this means that Denmark has very detailed and reliable data on accidental fires since 2007.

7.6.2 Emission model

The raw activity data for accidental fires are given by ODIN (DEMA, 2025). These raw data are detailed registrations of the time of the fire, the location of the fire, the object(/s) concerned, the cause of the fire, the fire progress at arrival, and the number of and type of jet tubes used in the firefighting work. A database model is produced, to translate these detailed data into mass or area combusted.

The model calculates emissions from 18 different object types individually, e.g. detached buildings, apartment buildings, combined harvesters, ships, passenger cars/light duty vehicles etc.

The numbers of fires are then calculated into full scale equivalent fires (FSE). The types and number of jet tubes used for the fire extinguishing is used to evaluate if the fire should be considered small (5 % of mass or area combusted), medium (30 %), large (75 %) or full (100 %).

For each of the 12 vehicle types and containers, the numbers of FSE fires are then multiplied with an average mass, e.g. 12 kg per bicycle, 5 tonnes per tractor, 1.5 tonnes per caravan, 1 tonne per container etc. Container fires covers all types of containers, from small residential garbage containers to large shipping containers. It is assumed that all the different vehicle types lead to similar emissions.

For each of the five building types, the numbers of FSE fires are multiplied with the average area, e.g. 130 m^2 per undetached building, 500 m^2 per industrial building, 20 m^2 per additional building etc. Residential building floorspace is available from Statistics Denmark.

Different emission factors are available for vehicle fires, container fires, residential building fires and non-residential fires. The calculated mass of combusted vehicle is therefore summed, and the same for residential building area and non-residential building area, reducing the number of fire types from 18 to four.

7.6.3 Activity data

The number of FSE fires are calculated by the emission model for the years since 2007.

The numbers of total registered fires are known from DEMA for the years 1989-2024 and the numbers of actual fires, i.e. excluding false alarms, are known for the years 2016-2024. It is assumed that the average number of false alarms in 2016-2021 can be applied for 1990-2015. The number of actual fires for 1990-2015 is used as surrogate data to calculate mass and area of accidental fires for these historic years.

Table 7.6.2 shows the activity data. The total occurrence of actual fires (known for 1990-2024) and the full time series is presented in Annex Table 3F-6.2.

Table 7.6.2 Activity data.

	Unit	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2020	2022	2023	2024
Burnt residential area	1000m^2	144	166	146	140	140	126	128	120	117	103
Burnt non-residential area	1000m^2	211	242	213	205	188	183	170	176	160	191
Burnt container mass	t	329	378	332	320	239	278	421	318	296	263
Burnt vehicle mass	t	2994	3436	3020	2910	2943	2769	2735	2931	1906	2102

7.6.4 Emission factors

The emission factors are produced from different measurements and assumptions from literature and expert judgements. When possible, emission factors are chosen that represent conditions that are comparable to Denmark. By comparable is meant countries that have similar building traditions, with respect to the materials used in building structure and interior.

Emission factors for N_2O are not available and emissions of N_2O are therefore not estimated.

Table 7.6.3 lists the emission factors that were chosen as the best reliable and their respective references.

Table 7.6.3 Emission factors for accidental fires.

		CO_2 total	CO_2 biogenic	CO_2 non-biogenic	CH_4
	Unit	t	t	t	kg
Vehicle fires	per t	2.4	-	2.4[a]	5.0[b]
Container fires	per t	1.8	0.2[c]	1.7[c]	24.9[c]
Residential building fires	per 1000m^2	196.4	160.0[c]	36.4[c]	5.7[b]
Non-residential building fires	per 1000m^2	90.7	74.2[c]	16.5[c]	40.4[b]

[a] Lönnermark et al. (2006), [b] NAEI (2009), [c] Persson and Simonson (1998).

In addition to the assumptions made by the sources, the following assumptions were applied to derive the emission factors presented in Table 7.6.3:

- 30 % of VOC from container fires is CH_4.
- Container waste composition is 10 % wood, 20 % paper, 15 % textile, 5 % PVC, 10 % PUR, 20 % PS, 15 % PE and 5 % gypsum.
- Building construction material per m^2 from Blomqvist et al. (2002) is summed with interior material per m^2 from Persson and Simonson (1998), to derive the total amount of combusted material in residential and non-residential building fires respectively.

The emission factors are used for all years in the time series.

7.7 Uncertainty assessment and time-series consistency

The uncertainty models follow the methodology in the IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006). Tier 1 is based on the simplified uncertainty analysis.

Sensitivity analyses were carried out for solid waste disposal and is available in Hjelgaard and Nielsen (2023) Chapter 7.2.

7.7.1 Uncertainty input data

Solid Waste Disposal

The waste amounts for solid waste disposal are registered in a national database held by the Danish EPA and assessed to be of high quality resulting in the adoption of an uncertainty for reported waste amounts of 10 %.

Input parameter uncertainties for SWDS considered in the Tier 1 uncertainty analysis are based primarily on the IPCC (2019, Vol. 5, Ch. 3, Table 3.5), input values and provided in Table 7.7.1.

Based on the uncertain ranges provided in IPCC (2019, Vol. 5, Ch. 3, Table 3.4), a simple standard deviation assuming normal probability distribution of the half-live times is calculated. The standard deviation of $t_{½}$ is transformed into k-values using eq. 7.2.3, resulting in an uncertainty range for the methane generation constants, k, of -86 % to +166 %. For the Tier 1 uncertainty calculation the uncertainty of k was kept at 100 %.

Table 7.7.1 Tier 1 input parameter uncertainty, %.

Parameter	Parameter ID	Uncertainty %
The Waste amount sent to SWDS	*W*	10
Degradable Organic Carbon	DOC_i	20
Fraction of DOC dissimilated	DOC_f	20[1]
Methane Correction Factor	*MCF*	15[2]
Fraction of CH_4 in landfill gas	*F*	5
Methane Generation Rate Constant	*k*	100

[1] IPCC (2019) provides different uncertainties for the individual DOC_fs. However, application of these is not possible at the current level of uncertainty calculation. Therefore, the default of ±20%.

[2] A weighed MCF of between 0.72 and 1 is applied, an uncertainty of ±15% is assumed.

The uncertainty on the implied emission factor, U_{ief}, is based on uncertainty estimates in Table 7.7.1 and is approximated with IPCC (2019, Vol. 1, Ch. 3, Equation 3.1) equals:

$$U_{ief}\ \% = \sqrt{20^2 + 20^2 + 15^2 + 5^2 + 100^2} = 105.1\ \%$$

These uncertainties give the combined Tier 1 uncertainty on the emission from SWDS of:

$$U_{total} = \sqrt{10^2 + 104.5^2} = 105.6\ \%$$

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Table 7.7.2 lists the 95 % confidence interval uncertainties for activity data and emission factors used in this inventory and at the present level of available information. The uncertainties are assumed valid for all years 1990-2024.

Table 7.7.2 Estimated uncertainty rates for activity data and emission factors, %.

95 % confidence interval uncertainties	CO_2	CH_4	N_2O
5.B.1 Composting			
Activity data	-	20	20
Emission factor	-	100	100
5.B.2 Biogas production			
Activity data		5	
Emission factor		20	

Waste Incineration

The uncertainty of the number of human cremations is miniscule, however for the purpose of uncertainty calculation it has been set to 1 %. Table 7.7.3 lists the 95 % confidence interval uncertainties for activity data and emission factors used in this inventory and at the present level of available information.

Table 7.7.3 Estimated uncertainty rates for activity data and emission factors, %.

95 % confidence interval uncertainties	CO_2	CH_4	N_2O
Human cremation			
Activity data	-	1	1
Emission factor	-	150	150
Animal cremation			
Activity data	-	40	40
Emission factor	-	150	150

Wastewater Handling

The uncertainty levels used in the Tier 1 models are shown in Table 7.7.4. Uncertainties have been derived from IPCC Guidelines values and uncertainties in country specific parameters respectively.

Table 7.7.4 Estimated uncertainty rates for activity data and emission factors, %.

95 % confidence interval uncertainties	CH_4,	N_2O
5.D.1 Municipal wastewater treatment		
Activity	10	10
Emission factor	900.5	70
5.D.1 Anaerobic treatment plants		
Activity	5.6	-
Emission factor	25	-
5.D.1 Septic tanks		
Activity	20	-
Emission factor	100.5	-
5.D.1 Municipal wastewater effluent		
Activity	10	10
Emission factor	104.4	100
5.D.2 Industrial wastewater treatment		
Activity	-	40
Emission factor	-	70
5.D.2 Industrial wastewater effluent		
Activity	10	10
Emission factor	104.4	100

Activity data are generally collected from monitoring data (SGAV, 2025) and these are given an uncertainty of ±10%. Activity data for industrial wastewater treatment (influent) are estimated from effluent data and uncertainties are therefore higher (±40 %). Activity data for the use of septic tanks are calculated from population data (uncertainty <1 %) and the estimated fraction of population outside the sewer system (overall uncertainty estimated at ±20 %). Activity data for biogas production at wastewater treatment plants are calculated from the biogas production (available from the energy statistics with uncertainty of ±1 %) and the net calorific value for methane (uncertainty ±5.5 %).

When uncertainties are combined as is the case for e.g. the uncertainty for the activity data for the use of septic tanks, the input uncertainty presented in Table 8.1 is calculated using the following equation (IPCC, 2019 Vol. 1, Ch. 3, Equation 3.1):

$$U_{total} = \sqrt{U_1^2 + U_2^2 + \cdots + U_n^2}$$

The methane emission factor for wastewater effluent is calculated from IPCC default values B_0 (uncertainty ±30 %) and Tier 1 MCF (uncertainty ±100 %), the resulting uncertainty calculation input value is 104.4 %.The methane emission factor for the use of septic tanks is calculated from the country specific measured methane emission factor from Nielsen et al. (2018) (uncertainty ±100 %) and the IPCC BOD_5 value (uncertainty ±10 %), the resulting uncertainty of this input is ±100.5 %. The applied country specific methane emission factor from biogas production is available from Gudmundsson et al. (2021) and has an uncertainty of ±25 %. The methane emission factor for treatment of wastewater is calculated from the country specific MCF from Vollertsen (2012) (uncertainty ±900 %) and the IPCC B_0 value (uncertainty ±30 %).

Other

The uncertainty of the total number of accidental fires is very small, but the division into building and transportation types and also the calculation of full scale equivalents will lead to some uncertainty, partly caused by the category "other". The uncertainty for accidental fire activity data is therefore set to 20 % for all years. The uncertainty is however lowest for the most recent years (since 2008) (DCE expert judgement).

Table 7.7.5 lists the 95 % confidence interval uncertainties for activity data and emission factors used in this inventory and at the present level of available information. The uncertainties are assumed valid for all years in the time series.

Table 7.7.5 Estimated uncertainty rates for activity data and emission factors, %.

95 % confidence interval uncertainties	CO_2	CH_4
Accidental fires		
Activity data	20	20
Emission factor	500	500

7.7.2 Approach 1 uncertainty results

The Tier 1 uncertainty estimates for the waste sector are calculated from 95 % confidence interval uncertainties; results are shown in Table 7.7.6.

The total greenhouse gas (GHG) emission from the waste sector in 2024 is 1021.2 kt CO_2 equivalents with an uncertainty interval of ±28.2 %. The decrease in the trend, calculated as the per cent change in GHG emissions in 2024 compared to 1990, is -42.7 % ± 31.5 %-point.

Table 7.7.6 National Tier 1 uncertainty estimates for the waste sector.

Pollutant	National 2024 emission, kt CO_2 eq.	2024 emission uncertainty, %	Trend* 1990-2024, %	Trend uncertainty, %
GHG**	1021.2	±28.2	-42.7	±31.5
CO_2	12.4	±500.4	-24.7	±21.3
CH_4	837.5	±31.9	-46.0	±33.2
N_2O	171.3	±52.3	-20.0	±22.7

*Per cent change in emission in 2024 with respect to the base year 1990.
**GHG emissions are calculated in units of CO_2 equivalents.

7.7.3 Time series consistency and completeness

Solid Waste Disposal

Registration of the amount of waste has been carried out since the beginning of the 1990s in order to measure the effects of action plans. Therefore, the activity data are considered to be consistent through the time series to make the activity data input to the FOD model reliable.

The consistency of the emissions and the implied emission factors is a result of the same methodology and the same model used for the whole time series. The parameters in the FOD model are the same for the whole time series. The use of a model of this type is recommended in IPCC (2006).

As regards completeness, waste amounts for the whole time series, i.e. 1940-2024, have been allocated according to 20 waste types as described in Chapter 7.2.3.

Biological treatment of solid waste

For compost production, activity data are not consistent as data are only available for 1995-2024. Data for 1990-1994 along with data for home composting are estimated through linear regression and with surrogate data respectively. Emission factors and calculation method are consistent throughout the time series. For 2010-2024, improved quality of the composting data has been achieved through detailed data on the waste type garden waste, sludge and organic waste (Nissen, 2017). However, due to performed verification, the source is considered consistent.

Emissions from compost production are believed to be complete; calculations include composting at all nationally registered sites and best available estimated data for home composting.

Both activity data and emission factors for anaerobic digestion at biogas plans are consistent throughout the time series. Activity data are gathered by the Danish Energy Agency, making the source category is complete.

Waste Incineration

Activity data for human cremation are consistent, as these data have been collected by DKL throughout the time series. Activity data for animal cremation on the other hand is not fully consistent. Data for 1998-2024 are gathered directly from the crematoria and data for 1990-1997 are estimated by the author's expert judgement, no surrogate data or data regression is possible.

Emission factors and calculation method are consistent throughout the time series for both human and animal cremation.

Cremation of both corpses and carcasses complete as all Danish crematoria are accounted for. Open burning of carcasses is illegal and therefore not occurring in Denmark, and small-scale incinerators are not used at Danish farms.

Wastewater Handling

Consistency and completeness have been improved by integrating plant level data from the Danish Energy Statistics with plant level COD data from the Danish monitoring program and plant level environmental reports (Hjelgaard, 2025). All emission calculations have consistent methodologies throughout the time series.

Data regarding industrial on-site wastewater treatment processes have been achieved and included.

Waste Other

For accidental fires, DEMA provides detailed data for 2007-2024 and the total number of nationally registered fires for 1990-2024 (DEMA, 2025). Activity data for accidental fires are therefore believed to be consistent. Both emission factors and calculation method are also consistent throughout the time series.

Emissions from accidental fires are believed to be complete. Field burning of agricultural residue is included in Chapter 5 Agriculture.

7.8 Category-specific QA/QC and verification

In general terms, for this part of the inventory, the Data Storage (DS) Level 1, 2 and 4 and the Data Processing (DP) Level 1 can be described as follows.

7.8.1 Data Storage Level 1

The external data level refers to the placement of the original input data used for estimating annual activity and emission factors in the waste sector. Data references in terms of reports and databases used for deriving input for the emission calculations. Reports and a list of links to external data sources are stored in a common data storage system including all sectors of the annual NIR.

Table 7.8.1 Overview of annually stored external data sources at DS level1.

http. file or folder name	Description	AD or EF	Reference	Contact	Data agreement/ Comment
DCE data-exchange folder: O:\Tech_ENVS-Luft-Emi\Inventory\2024\5_Waste\Level_1b_Processing	Inventory data storage system	AD and EF	DCE		
O:\Tech_ENVS-Luft-Emi\Waste\5D Waste water treatment and discharge\Activity data\Punktkilde rapporter	Report series published by the DEPA (Danish Environmental Protection Agency) (1994-2005; 2018-2024), DNA (Danish Nature Agency) (2011-2015), City- and Landscape Agency (2007-2010) and Water and Nature Management Agency (2017). Available from the DNA www.nst.dk and DEPA www.mst.dk websites		Report series: "*Point sources*" (1993-2024)	MST Østjylland Thomas Frank-Gopolos (thfra@mst.dk)	Public available reports
O:\Tech_ENVS-Luft-Emi\Waste\5D Waste water treatment and discharge\Activity data\Punktkilde rapporter	Report series published by the DEPA (Danish Environmental Protection Agency) in 1990, 1992 and 1993		Report series "Vandmiljø"		Public available reports
Danish Water Quality Parameter Database	Annually reported wastewater characteristics at plant level which includes all years 1990- 2015	AD	www.miljoeportal.dk	MST Østjylland Thomas Frank-Gopolos (thfra@mst.dk)	Authorised access
DCE data-exchange folder: O:\Tech_ENVS-Luft-Emi\Inventory\2024\5_Waste\Level_1a_Storage	Raw data extracts from the Danish Waste Reporting System	AD	The Danish Environmental Protection Agency. Database on all registered Danish waste. Available at: www.ads.mst.dk	Julie Dam Larsen, Waste & Data (judal@mst.dk)	The amounts are registered due to statutory requirements
DCE data-exchange folder: O:\Tech_ENVS-Luft-Emi\Energy\2024	Basic data DS1, dataset for energy producing SWDS & WWTPs, and CH_4 recovery data		The Danish Energy Agency (DEA)		Prepared due to the obligation of DEA
DCE data-exchange folder: O:\Tech_ENVS-Luft-Emi\Inventory\2024\5_Waste \5A Solid Waste Disposal\Level_1b_Processing	Access file with the FOD model: "waste.accdb"	AD, EF, Model	IPCC 2019		
http://www.dkl.dk	Number for cremations	AD	Association of Danish Crematories		Public access
http://www.statistikbanken.dk	Statistics for population, building area and number and vehicles weight	AD	Statistics Denmark		Public access
DCE data-exchange folder: O:\Tech_ENVS-Luft-Emi\Inventory\2024\5_Waste\5C Incineration and open burning of waste\Level_1a_Storage	Cremated animal carcasses	AD	Dansk Dyrekremering ApS and Ada's Kæledyrskrematorium ApS	Søren Sørensen soeren.soerensen@anicura.dk	Personal contact
DCE data-exchange folder: O:\Tech_ENVS-Luft-Emi\Inventory\2024\5_Waste\5C Incineration and open burning of waste\Level_1a_Storage	Cremated animal carcasses	AD	Kæledyrskrematoriet	Simon Moesgaard simon@springbjerglund.dk	Personal contact
https://statistikbank.brs.dk	Categorized fires	AD	The Danish Emergency Management Agency	Steen Hjere Nonnemann helpdesk@odin.dk	Public access
DCE data-exchange folder: O:\Tech_ENVS-Luft-Emi\Inventory\2024\5_Waste\5B Biological treatment of solid waste\5B1 Composting\Level_1a_Storage	Waste categories for composting	AD	Danish Environmental Protection Agency (DEPA). Waste Statistics		Public access

7.8.2 Data Processing Level 1

This level comprises a stage where the external data extracted from the waste data system are processed internally.

For CRT category *5.A Solid waste disposal on land*, data are prepared for the DCE First Order of Decay model by allocation of the reported waste amounts according to the European Waste Codes (EWC) as presented in Chapter 7.2. The model runs in Microsoft Access and the output data is stored in Access and Excel files. For more detail, please refer to Hjelgaard and Nielsen (2023).

For the CRT category *5.B.1 Composting*, data are delivered by the Danish Environmental Protection Agency for the period 2010-2024 at plant level. Total amount of composted bio-waste is extracted from the waste reporting system (www.ads.mst.dk). Regarding the derivation of emission factors used in the model calculations, these are documented in Chapter 7.3.2.

For the CRT categories 5.B.1 and *5.C Incineration and open burning*, activity data are used directly.

For CRT category *5.D Wastewater treatment and discharge*, data are prepared for the input to the country specific models. The plant level data for WWTPs using anaerobic sludge digestion, i.e. biogas production, have been integrated with plant level energy recovery data from the Energy Statistics and a mass balance for the CH_4 potential in the influent TOW, the ingestate, the digestate, the amount of recovered and lost CH_4 by flaring and venting. Calculations are carried out and the output stored in a not editable format each year. The data processing at level 1 has been improved to fit into a more uniform and easily accessible data reporting format. Regarding the derivation of activity data and emission factors used in the model calculations, improvements are documented in Chapter 7.5.

For the CRT category *5.E Other.*, the activity data are processed in a Microsoft Access based model to match the emission factors. This is done by using national average data like the average floor space in buildings, average weight of different vehicle types etc. Calculations are carried out and both the model and the output are stored in a not editable format each year. The data processing at level 1 has been improved to fit into a more uniform and easily accessible data reporting format.

7.8.3 Data Storage Level 2

Data Storage Level 2 is the placement of selected output data from the calculation of emissions as inventory data on sub-category levels in the Access (CollectER) database.

7.8.4 Data Storage Level 4

Data Storage Level 4 is the placement of the calculated output data from the calculation of emissions as data on sub-category levels in the CRTs.

7.8.5 Points of measurement

The present stage of QA/QC for the Danish emission inventories for the waste sector is described below for DS level 1, 2 and 4 and DP level 1 Points of Meas-

urement (PMs). This is to be seen in connection with the general QA/QC description in Section 1.6 and, especially, 1.6.10 on specific description of PMs common to all sectors, general to QA/QC.

Data Storage level 1	1. Accuracy	DS.1.1.1	General level of uncertainty for every dataset including the reasoning for the specific values

The sources of data described in the methodology sections and in DS.1.2.1 and DS.1.3.1 are used in this inventory. Thus, it is the accuracy of these data that define the uncertainty of the inventory calculations.

Regarding the general level of uncertainty for SWDS, the amounts in waste fractions/categories are reasonably certain (per cent uncertainty set equal to 10 %. cf. Table 7.7.1. Due to the statutory environment for these data, the distribution of waste fractions according to waste type and their content of *DOC* are more uncertain (per cent uncertainty set equal to 20 %. cf. Table 7.7.1). It is generally accepted that FOD models for CH_4 emission estimates offer the best and the most certain way of estimation. The half-life and methane generation rates in the FOD model are important parameters with some uncertainty (cf. Table 7.7.1).

For the CRT categories *5.B Biological treatment of solid waste*, *5.C Incineration and open burning* and *5.E Other* the level of uncertainty is generally low for activity data but higher for emission factors, cf. Table 7.7.2. Table 7.7.3 and Table 7.7.5. Expert judgments are used whenever default uncertainties are not available.

The input parameter uncertainties for CRT category *5.D Wastewater treatment and discharge* have been derived from standard deviations between activity data extracted from national databases and reported national statistics as shown in Table 7.7.4. Uncertainty of activity data are based on simple standard deviations accompanying the annual reported monitoring data.

Data Storage level 1	2.Comparability	DS.1.2.1	Comparability of the emission factors/calculation parameters with data from international guidelines and evaluation of major discrepancies.

Comparison of Danish data values from external data sources with corresponding data from other countries has been carried out in order to evaluate discrepancies.

Comparison of Danish data values with data sources from other countries has been carried out as presented in the national verification report by Fauser et al. (2013). These data comparisons are ongoing, but have not been published since Fauser er al. (2013).

Data Storage level 1	3.Completeness	DS.1.3.1	Ensuring that the best possible national data for all sources are included, by setting down the reasoning behind the selection of datasets.

SWDS

- Danish Environmental Protection Agency (DEPA). ISAG database and ADS waste data system: amounts of the various waste fractions deposited (refer to Chapter 7.2).

- A Danish investigation and verification of the overall mass balance upon allocating waste fractions within the ISAG (1994-2009) and the ADS (2010-present) waste data systems into 20 well-defined waste types as described in Chapter 7.2.
- Danish Energy Agency (DEA): Official Danish energy statistics: CH_4 recovery data.

The selection of sources is obvious. The ISAG and ADS databases are based on statutory registrations and reporting from all Danish waste treatment plants for all waste entering or leaving the plants. Information concerning waste in the previous year must be reported to the DEPA no later than 31st of January each year. Registration is made by mass according to EAK codes, which are automatically reallocated into 20 waste types in the DCE waste model, of which 10 are characterised as inert. The individual waste type characteristics have been documented in Chapter 7.2.

For recovery data, the DEA registers the energy produced from plants where installations recover CH_4 in the national energy statistics. For the parameters of the FOD model, references are made to IPCC (2019).

Composting

- ISAG waste database
- ADS waste reporting system

All Danish waste treatment plants are obligated to statutory registration and reporting of all waste entering the plants. All waste streams are weighed, categorised with a waste type and a type of treatment, and registered to the ISAG waste information system, which contain data for 1995-2009 (ISAG). For 2010-2024 data from the new waste reporting system are delivered by the Danish EPA according to the three compost types (excluding home composting and the division of garden waste in composted garden waste and raw compost).

Waste Incineration

- Tables from Association of Danish Crematories available online
- Direct contact with the Danish animal crematories
- Emission factors from literature.

Data from the Association of Danish Crematories is based on annual reporting from all Danish crematories. Specific reported data are available for the complete time series.

WWTP

- Population and housing statistics from Statistics Denmark
- Biogas production data from the Danish Energy Agency
- Plant specific monitoring data for influent and effluent TOW and Total-N from WWTPs and effluent from other sources, available from the Agency for Green Transition and Aquatic Environment (SGAV), the National Focal Point for point sources (NOVANA)
- The Danish Water Quality Parameter Database (www.miljoeportal.dk)
- Country specific emission factors and default emission factors from IPCC

All the sources mentioned above are the official national sources of statistical data.

Other

- Statistics Denmark
- Danish Emergency Management Agency (DEMA) database
- Emission factors from literature

The DEMA database is the only provider of data on accidental fires, data for newer years (2007-2024) are extremely detailed.

Data Storage level 1	4.Consistency	DS.1.4.1	The original external data has to be archived with proper reference.

Data are predominantly extracted from the internet and databases (The Danish Waste Reporting System. the Water Quality Parameter database, Statistics Denmark, DEMA database, human cremation). The origin of external activity data has been preserved as much as possible by saving them as original copies in their original form. Files are saved for each year of reporting; in this way changes to previously received data and calculations are reflected and explanations are given. Specific information from reports, industries and experts are saved as e-mails and pdf files.

Data Storage level 1	6.Robustness	DS.1.6.1	Explicit agreements between the external institution holding the data and DCE about the conditions of delivery.

As stated in DS.1.4.1 most data are obtained from directly contacting the relevant authorities or downloaded from the internet. It is a statutory requirement that amounts of waste are reported annually to DEPA, no later than 31st of January for the previous year. No explicit agreements have been made with external institutions.

Data Storage level 1	7.Transparency	DS.1.7.1	Listing of all archived datasets and external contacts.

Contact persons related to the delivery of specific data are provided in Table 8.7.1.

For a listing of all archived external data sets the reader is referred to DS 1.3.1.

Data Processing level 1	1. Accuracy	DP.1.1.1	Uncertainty assessment for every data source not part of DS.1.1.1 as input to Data Storage level 2 in relation to type and scale of variability.

No data are used in addition to those included in DS.1.1.1. Uncertainties are reported in Section 7.7.

Data Processing level 1	2.Comparability	DP.1.2.1	The methodologies have to follow the international guidelines suggested by UNFCCC and IPCC.

The methodological approaches are based on the detailed methodologies as outlined in the Emission Inventory Guidebook. The calculation used for SWDS is a Tier 2 methodology from IPCC (2019). For WWTP the calculations follow the IPCC (2019). Exemptions have been documented whenever occurring. The inventory calculations for Waste Incineration and Waste Other are a

simple multiplication of activity data and emission factors (Tier 1) (See also DS.1.3.1) or Table 7.1.1.

Data Processing level 1	3.Completeness	DP.1.3.1	Identification of data gaps with regard to data sources that could improve quantitative knowledge.

Emission factors for cremation and accidental fires are gathered from literature studies. There are no Danish literature or measurements available on greenhouse gas emissions from these categories.

Data Processing level 1	4.Consistency	DP.1.4.1	Documentation and reasoning of methodological changes during the time series and the qualitative assessment of the impact on time series consistency.

There is no change in calculation procedure during the time series, and the activity data are, as far as possible, kept consistent for the calculation throughout the time series. Any changes in calculation procedures are noted for each year's inventory in the individual chapters for each CRT category.

Data Processing level 1	5.Correctness	DP.1.5.1	Verification of calculation results using time series

The time series of activities and emissions from the model output in the subcategories and in the CRT format have been prepared. The time series are examined, and significant changes are checked and explained. A comparison is made with the previous year's estimates, and any major changes are verified.

Data Processing level 1	5.Correctness	DP.1.5.2	Verification of calculation results using other measures

The correct interpretation in the model/calculation of the methodology and the parameterisation has been checked as far as possible.

Data Processing level 1	7.Transparency	DP.1.7.1	The calculation principle. The equations used and the assumptions made, must be described.

The calculation principle and equations are described in Chapter 7.2 to 7.6 for each CRT category in the waste sector.

Data Processing level 1	7.Transparency	DP.1.7.2	Clear reference to dataset at Data Storage level 1

Refer to the table at the start of this Section and DS.1.1.1 (Table 7.8.1).

The calculation principle and equations are described in Chapter 7.2 to 7.6 for each CRT category in the waste sector.

Data Processing level 1	7.Transparency	DP.1.7.3	A manual log to collect information about re-calculations.

Recalculations and changes in the emission inventories are described in the NID whenever occurring, see also Chapter 7.9. The logging of the changes takes place in the annual model file.

Data Storage level 2	5.Correctness	DS.2.5.1	Check if a correct data import to level 2 has been made

The transfer of emission data from level 1, storage and processing to data storage level 2 is manually checked. This check is performed, comparing model output and report files made by the CollectER database system.

Data Storage level 4	4. Consistency	DS.4.4.3	The IEFs from the CRT are checked regarding both level and trend. The level is compared to relevant emission factors to ensure correctness. Large dips/jumps in the time series are explained.

See DP.1.5.1 and DP.1.5.2.

7.9 Category-specific recalculations

Table 7.9.1 presents the recalculations to the waste sector for this year's inventory.

The largest recalculation occurred for sector *5.A Solid Waste Disposal* for the whole time series due to improvements in the decay model. Recalculations also occurred for sectors *5.B.1 Composting* for 2010-2023 due to updated data for composted waste and for *5.B.2 Anaerobic digestion at biogas plants* for 1990-2023 due to both adding a decimal to the applied calorific value and updated data from the energy statistics. Minor recalculations have occurred for sector 5.D for 2015-2016, 2019-2020 and 2022-2023 and for 5.E for 2021-2023.

The joint effect of these recalculations in the greenhouse gas emissions are between -281.3 kt CO_2 eq. (-21.2%) in 2002 and -204.2 kt CO_2 eq. (-20.0%) in 2015. Detailed information about recalculations for the individual sub-sector may be found in sub-chapter 7.9.1 to 7.9.5 below.

Table 7.9.1 Changes in emissions from the waste sector compared with last year´s submission.

	Unit	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2020	2022	2023
5.A. Solid Waste Disposal										
CH_4. previous inventory	kt	54.5	44.3	34.9	26.3	21.8	18.9	16.0	14.6	14.3
CH_4. recalculated	kt	45.4	34.6	24.9	16.6	12.9	11.4	9.1	8.1	7.8
Change. CO_2 equivalents	kt	-252.6	-271.3	-280.5	-272.7	-250.4	-211.7	-192.2	-184.3	-180.2
Change	-	-16.6%	-21.9%	-28.7%	-37.0%	-41.0%	-39.9%	-43.0%	-45.0%	-45.1%
5.B. Biological treatment of Solid Waste										
5.B1 Composting										
CH_4. previous inventory	t	861.7	1185.9	2050.3	2149.8	2417.2	2587.2	3166.9	2964.7	3160.9
CH_4. recalculated	t	861.7	1185.9	2050.3	2149.8	2467.8	2677.3	2638.0	2286.5	2591.6
N_2O. previous inventory	t	49.3	68.5	133.9	127.7	144.5	153.2	192.3	175.3	185.9
N_2O. recalculated	t	49.3	68.5	133.9	127.7	148.1	169.2	166.5	153.6	173.3
Change. CO_2 equivalents	kt	NO	NO	NO	NO	2.4	6.8	-21.7	-24.7	-19.3
Change	-	NO	NO	NO	NO	2.3%	6.0%	-15.5%	-19.1%	-14.0%
5.B2 Biogas										
CH_4. previous inventory	kt	0.2	0.6	1.2	2.0	2.7	4.4	11.4	16.0	17.6
CH_4. recalculated	kt	0.2	0.6	1.2	2.0	2.7	4.3	11.3	15.1	16.3
Change. CO_2 equivalents	kt	-0.05	-0.1	-0.3	-0.4	-0.6	-3.0	-2.5	-24.6	-38.5
Change	-	-0.8%	-0.8%	-0.8%	-0.8%	-0.8%	-2.5%	-0.8%	-5.5%	-7.8%
5.C. Incineration and open burning of waste										
CH_4. previous inventory	t	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.7
CH_4. recalculated	t	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.7
N_2O. previous inventory	t	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.9	0.9	0.9	1.0	0.9
N_2O. recalculated	t	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.9	0.9	0.9	1.0	0.9
Change. CO_2 equivalents	t	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
Change	-	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
5.D. Wastewater treatment and discharge										
CH_4. previous inventory	kt	8.6	4.7	4.2	3.8	3.6	3.6	3.7	3.5	3.5
CH_4. recalculated	kt	8.6	4.7	4.2	3.8	3.6	3.7	3.7	3.5	3.6
N_2O. previous inventory	kt	0.8	0.7	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5
N_2O. recalculated	kt	0.8	0.7	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5
Change. CO_2 equivalents	kt	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	3.7	2E-6	0.05	3.4
Change	-	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	1.6%	-	0.02%	1.6%
5.E. Other										
CO_2. previous inventory	kt	16.5	18.9	16.6	16.0	15.7	14.7	14.7	14.9	12.0
CO_2. recalculated	kt	16.5	18.9	16.6	16.0	15.7	14.7	14.7	14.8	12.0
CH_4. previous inventory	kt	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
CH_4. recalculated	kt	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
Change. CO_2 equivalents	kt	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	-0.02	-0.001
Change	-	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	-0.1%	-0.01%

NO: Not occuring

7.9.1 Solid waste disposal on land

Three changes were made to the calculation of methane from sub-category 5.A for this submission. The most significant change comes from the introduction of DOC_f constants from IPCC (2019) that varies with the different waste fraction. In last year's submission, DOC_f was 0.5 for all waste fraction, now DOC_f varies from 0.1 for e.g. wood to 0.7 for e.g. food waste. The second most significant improvement is the introduction of variable MCFs in the FOD-model. In last year's submission, the MCF was 1 for all years, now the MCF starts at 0.72 in year 1940 and increases until it reaches 1 from 1975. The last change made to this year's submission is an update by the Danish Environmental Protection Agency of the data on deposition of waste from the ADS database for the years 2011-2023 (DEPA, 2025a). The effect of the individual changes is presented in the following Table.

Table 7.9.2 Changes in methane emissions from the 5.A Solid waste disposal, kt CH_4.

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2020	2022	2023
Previous inventory	54.5	44.3	34.9	26.3	21.8	18.9	16.0	14.6	14.3
Old model with new data	54.5	44.3	34.9	26.3	21.8	19.2	16.1	14.7	14.4
New data and variable MCF	52.4	42.7	33.7	25.3	21.0	18.6	15.5	14.3	13.9
Current inventory: new data, variable MCF and variable DOC_f	45.4	34.6	24.9	16.6	12.9	11.4	9.1	8.1	7.8

7.9.2 Biological treatment of solid waste

Composting

Recalculations in emissions from composting are caused by activity data from DEPA being updated for 2010-2023. Composting of garden waste has decreased for all years between 0.5 kt and 182.7 kt waste. The large decrease for 2023 is partly due to a reallocation of garden waste from composting to use as soil improvement on fields. Other organic waste changes between -120.3 kt and +27.5 kt waste and sludge increases for all years between +8.7 kt and +297.5 kt. The significant increase for sludge being composted is caused by the correction of a misunderstanding. Composting data received from DEPA was presented as if all data had the unit of tonnes wet weight but is turns out sludge data were actually in dry weight, this was been corrected.

The resulting overall recalculation for sub-category 5.B.1 is between -24.7 kt CO_2 eq. (-19.1 %) in 2022 and +6.8 kt CO_2 eq. (+6.0 %) in 2015.

The predominant decrease in emissions, in spite of the large increase in sludge amount, is due to the general decrease in organic waste which has high emission factors and the emission factors for composting of sludge being considerably lower.

Anaerobic digestion at biogas facilities

Emissions have been recalculated for all years, 1990-2023, due to several changes.

The calorific value was changed from 50 to 50.4 MJ per kg, which is more precise and a direct reference to IPCC (2006, C1, p1.19). This change gives a decrease of 0.8 % in CH_4 emissions, corresponding to -1.8 tonnes CH_4 in 1990 where production is lowest and -140.1 tonnes CH_4 in 2023 where biogas production is highest.

Based on a new measurement report from 2025 (Scheutz et al., 2025), the emission factor for CH_4 is reduced for 2024 and interpolated between the last measurement point in 2020. This gives a decrease of 351 tonnes CH_4 in 2021 (-2.4%), 781 tonnes CH_4 in 2022 (-4.9%) and 1292 tonnes CH_4 in 2023 (-7.3%).

Data from the energy statistics have been updated by the Danish Energy Agency for 2022-2023.

2018 is the only year with an increase in emissions, this is because the emission factor for this year changed from 3.5 % to 3.6 %. The change is introduced because the interpolation is how done before the rounding of decimals and not vice versa.

The overall recalculations are between -38.5 kt CO_2 eq. (-7.8 %) in 2023 and +4.8 kt CO_2 eq. (+2.0 %) in 2018.

7.9.3 Waste incineration and open burning

There are no changes to this sub-category for this year's submission.

7.9.4 Wastewater treatment and discharge

Emissions of methane have been recalculated for the years 2015-2016, 2019-2020 and 2022-2023. Significant recalculations (>1 kt CO_2 eq.) only occur for the years 2015 and 2032. There are no changes for nitrous oxide. Recalculations are caused by:

- The annual point source report with 2023 data was not available in time for last year's submission. As the 2023 data are now available, recalculations are made for this year for septic tanks (-2.4 tonnes CH_4), industrial effluent (-10.4 tonnes CH_4) and domestic effluent (+132.7 tonnes CH_4).
- Energy recovery and flared CH_4 at municipal WWTPs was recalculated for the years 2015-2016 and 2022-2023 due to changes in the energy statistics. When more biogas is recovered, more is also leaked to the atmosphere and vice versa, therefore, recalculations appear for the CH_4 emissions for 2015-2016 (+133 and -23 tonnes CH_4 respectively), 2019-2020 (miniscule changes) and 2022-2023 (+2 and +3 tonnes CH_4 respectively).

Recalculations were also made in the additional information available in the CRT tables:

- The protein consumption was recalculated for 2010-2023 because new FAOstat data are available. The resulting changes are increases of 2 % per year for 2010-2012, rising to an increase of 11-12 % per year for 2020-2022.

The resulting overall recalculation for sub-category 5.D is between a decrease in 2016 of 0.6 kt CO_2 eq. (-0.3 %) and an increase in 2015 of 3.7 kt CO_2 eq. (+1.6 %).

7.9.5 Other

Small corrections in the activity data from DEMA for 2021-2023 results in recalculations of -20.8 to -1.4 tonnes CO_2 equivalents for these years.

7.10 Category-specific improvements

7.10.1 Response to the review process

The table below contains the recommendations of the most recent UNFCCC review of the Danish greenhouse gas inventory. The table details the status of implementation of the recommendations as well as references to where improvements have been implemented in this report.

A review of the Danish 2024 submission took place in May 2025. The table below lists the issues relevant for the waste sector from the report from this most recent review.

Table 7.10.1 Recommendations of the most recent UNFCCC review of the Danish greenhouse gas inventory.

Para	CRT	ERT Comment	Denmark's response	Reference
2024 submission (Review report: https://unfccc.int/documents/650570)				
W.1	5.A Solid waste disposal – CH_4	Denmark reported in its NID (p.599) that data on solid waste disposal for 2022 were not available at the time of preparing the submission. To derive the AD on waste disposal for 2022, the Party used the assumption that the same amount of solid waste was disposed in 2022 as in 2021, instead of using splicing techniques provided in the 2006 IPCC Guidelines (vol. 1, section 5.3.3, pp.5.8–5.14) to fill the gap in the AD. During the review, Denmark explained that the waste statistics for 2022 have since been published by the Danish Environmental Protection Agency and stated that it would revise the AD on solid waste disposal for 2022 in the next submission accordingly. To enhance accuracy of the estimates in category 5.A, the TERT recommends that Denmark revise the AD on solid waste disposal for 2022 in its estimates of CH4 emissions from solid waste disposal by using the waste disposal statistics for 2022 published by the Danish Environmental Protection Agency. In case of any future gaps in the AD on solid waste disposal for certain years of the time series, the TERT encourages that Denmark uses relevant splicing techniques provided in the 2006 IPCC Guidelines (vol. 1, section 5.3.3, pp.5.8–5.14).	This was addressed in the 2025 submission.	See Chapter 7.2.
W.2	5.A Solid waste disposal – CH_4	Denmark reported in its NID (p.597, table 7.2.3) that the constant MCF value of 1.0 was used to estimate CH4 emissions from solid waste disposal sites for the whole time series of input data on waste disposal since 1940. No explanation was provided in the NID as to why Denmark used a constant MCF value, which, in accordance with the 2006 IPCC Guidelines (vol. 5, ch. 3, p.3.14, table 3.1), should be applied only to anaerobic managed solid waste disposal sites that must have controlled placement of waste (i.e. waste directed to specific deposition areas, a degree of control of scavenging and a degree of control of fires) and include at least one of the following: cover material; mechanical compacting; or levelling of the waste. The TERT noted that according to a 2020 report by the Geological Survey of Denmark and Greenland (p.15), prior to 1973, gravel pits, depressions, wetlands and coastal areas were used for uncontrolled waste disposal, and despite advances in legislation and guidance, many landfills from the mid-1970s to the mid-1980s continued to be established in old gravel pits without a membrane and cover. The transition from uncontrolled to controlled landfills took place over a few years, despite the introduction of the requirement for environmental approval of landfills in 1973. Prior to 1973 at a minimum, solid waste disposal might have occurred at unmanaged solid waste disposal sites in Denmark in accordance with the definitions in the 2006 IPCC Guidelines. During the review, Denmark agreed that solid waste disposal at unmanaged sites might have occurred in the country prior to 1973, and stated that it will consider the possibility of redistributing the amount of solid waste disposal between managed and unmanaged sites. The TERT recommends that Denmark either provide a justification in its NID that waste has been landfilled solely at managed solid waste disposal sites since 1940, or revise its estimate of CH4 emissions from solid waste disposal by redistributing the amount of disposed solid waste by type of solid waste disposal site, namely managed and unmanaged, and explain any recalculation in the NID.	The solid waste decay model has been improved for this submission, to now include lower MCFs in the early years in the time series (from 1940).	See Chapter 7.2.4
W.3	5.B.1 Composting – CH_4 and N_2O	Denmark reported in its NID (pp.605–606) that data on composting of garden waste for 2021–2022 were not available at the time of preparing the submission. Similarly, data on composting of organic waste from households and other sources for 2020–2022, as well as data on composting of sludge for 2021–2022 were not available (NID p.606). To fill the gaps in AD, the Party used several assumptions instead of using the splicing techniques provided in the 2006 IPCC Guidelines (vol. 1, section 5.3.3, pp.5.8–5.14). Specifically, the following assumptions were used by the Party without including any	This was addressed in the 2025 submission.	See Chapter 7.3.2.

Table 7.10.1 Recommendations of the most recent UNFCCC review of the Danish greenhouse gas inventory.

Para	CRT	ERT Comment	Denmark's response	Reference
		justification in the NID: (1) for composting of garden waste for 2021–2022, the average for 2018–2020 was used; (2) for composting of organic waste from households and other sources for 2020–2022, the average for 2017–2019 was used; and (3) for composting of sludge for 2021–2022, the average for 2018–2020 was used. During the review, Denmark explained that the statistics on composting are published by the Danish Environmental Protection Agency and confirmed that statistical data on composting of garden waste for 2021–2022, organic waste from households and other sources for 2020–2022, as well as sludge for 2021–2022 were not available at the time of the review. The TERT encourages Denmark to revise its data on waste composting for 2020–2022 by applying relevant splicing techniques provided in the 2006 IPCC Guidelines (vol. 1, section 5.3.3, pp.5.8–5.14) to fill existing gaps in AD for composting of garden waste for 2021–2022, organic waste from households and other sources for 2020–2022, and sludge for 2021–2022.		
W.6	5.B.2 Anaerobic digestion at biogas facilities – CH_4	In CRT 5.B, Denmark reported anaerobic digestion AD that are numerically equal to the amount of CH4 production from anaerobic digestion of organic waste reported in NID table 7.3.7 (p.612). For example, according to CRT 5.B, 495.20 kt dm waste was anaerobically digested in 2022, resulting in an abnormal constant CH4 EF value in CRT 5.B for the whole time series (1990–2022) of 1,000.00 g CH4/kg dm waste treated, compared with the default CH4 EFs from the 2006 IPCC Guidelines (vol. 5, ch. 4, table 4.1) that vary from 0 to 20 g CH4/kg dm waste treated. During the review, Denmark explained that information on the amount of waste treated anaerobically at biogas facilities is not available for Denmark. Emissions are calculated from the information on biogas production (PJ biogas). The TERT recommends that Denmark report the AD for anaerobic digestion under category 5.B.2 (anaerobic digestion at biogas facilities) expressed in annual waste amount treated (kt dm) or if not available to report the AD as "NE" in CRT 5.B and explain the issue in the documentation box of that CRT and in the NID.	Annual waste amounts treated at biogas facilities in Denmark are not available. Therefore, "NE" is now reported as activity data.	CRT 5.B.2

7.10.2 Planned improvements

Following is a list of planned improvements for this sector:

- Wastewater treatment and discharge:
  It is possible, from currently available data, to estimate methane emissions from on-site anaerobic treatment of industrial wastewater. There emissions are to be included in the future. The resulting increase in emissions will be about 1.4 tonne CH_4 per year.
- Wastewater treatment and discharge:
  Based on the latest UNFCCC review, the documentation for the national emission factor for CH_4 from wastewater treatment is insufficient. Therefore, the factor will be updated to the IPCC default. This is an increase in the emission factor from 1.8 g CH_4 per kg BOD to 18 g CH_4 per kg BOD, resulting in an increase in emissions of around 2.5 - 3 kt CH_4 for each year in the time series 1990-2024.

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8 Other

In CRF Sector 6, there are no activities and emissions for the inventories of Denmark.

9 Recalculations and improvements

Explanations for the recalculations of the Danish inventory are included in the sectoral chapters of the NID.

This chapter provides an overview of the recalculations done between the April 2025 submission and the present submission.

The overall impact of recalculations is shown in Table 9.1. A more detailed overview is provided in Tables 9.2 – 9.5.

9.1 Explanations and justifications for recalculations

Explanations and justifications for the recalculations performed in this submission, since the previous submission of data to the UNFCCC for Denmark, are given in the individual sector chapters.

9.2 Implications for emission levels

For the national total CO_2 equivalent emissions without Land-Use, Land-Use Change and Forestry, the general impact of the improvements and recalculations performed is relatively small and the changes for the whole time-series are between -0.60 % (2021) and -1.29 % (2022). The main recalculation is in the agricultural sector, so please refer to Chapter 5 for more information. The implications of the recalculations on the level and on the trend, 1990-2023, of the national total are small, see Table 9.1.

For the national total CO_2 equivalent emissions with Land-Use, Land-Use Change and Forestry, the general impact of the recalculations is similar, see Table 9.1. More information on the recalculations for the LULUCF sector is provided in Chapter 6.

Table 9.1 Recalculation performed in the 2026 submission for 1990-2023. Differences in pct. of CO_2 equivalents between this submission and the April 2025 submission for Denmark, excluding Greenland and the Faroe Islands.

Year	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
Total CO_2 eqv. emissions with Land-Use Change and Forestry	-0.86	-0.73	-0.82	-0.82	-0.78	-0.79	-0.67	-0.75	-0.77	-0.78	-0.74	-0.75
Total CO_2 eqv. emissions without Land-Use Change and Forestry	-0.58	-0.50	-0.59	-0.59	-0.57	-0.57	-0.48	-0.54	-0.56	-0.58	-0.61	-0.62
	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Total CO_2 eqv. emissions with Land-Use Change and Forestry	-0.80	-0.72	-0.77	-0.78	-0.73	-0.81	-0.87	-0.86	-0.87	-0.93	-1.06	-0.97
Total CO_2 eqv. emissions without Land-Use Change and Forestry	-0.68	-0.60	-0.66	-0.71	-0.65	-0.72	-0.74	-0.71	-0.73	-0.79	-0.80	-0.70
	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023		
Total CO_2 eqv. emissions with Land-Use Change and Forestry	-0.97	-0.91	-0.75	-0.81	-0.68	-0.81	-0.85	-0.60	-1.29	-1.20		
Total CO_2 eqv. emissions without Land-Use Change and Forestry	-0.69	-0.62	-0.54	-0.54	-0.47	-0.55	-0.57	-0.40	-0.62	-0.56		

9.3 Implications for emission trends, including time series consistency

It is a high general priority in the considerations leading to recalculations back to 1990 to have and preserve the consistency of the activity data and emissions time-series. As a consequence, activity data, emission factors and methodologies are carefully chosen to represent the emissions for the time-series correctly. Often considerations regarding the consistency of the time-series have led to recalculations for single years when activity data and/or emission factors have been changed or corrected. Furthermore, when new sources are considered, activity data and emissions are as far as possible introduced to the inventories for the whole time-series based on preferably the same methodology.

The implication of the recalculations is further shown in Tables 9.2-9.5.

Table 9.2 Recalculation for CO_2 performed in the 2025 submission for 1990-2022. Differences in kt CO_2 equivalents between this and the December 2024 submission for Denmark. Excluding Greenland and Faroe Islands.

CO_2 kt	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Total National Emissions and Removals	-313	-266	-272	-272	-272	-267	-249	-241	-217	-212	-151	-147	-167	-146	-128	-91	-128
1. Energy	-6	-6	-6	-6	-7	-7	-7	-6	-6	-6	-6	-6	-5	-6	3	-4	-17
1.A. Fuel Combustion Activities	-6	-6	-6	-6	-7	-7	-7	-6	-6	-6	-6	-6	-5	-6	3	-4	-17
1.A.1. Energy Industries	-	-	-	-	-	0	0	0	0	-	0	0	0	-	0	0	0
1.A.2. Manufacturing Industries and Construction	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1.A.3. Transport	-6	-6	-6	-6	-7	-7	-7	-6	-6	-6	-6	-6	-5	-6	3	-4	-17
1.A.4. Other Sectors	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1.A.5. Other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0
1.B. Fugitive Emissions from Fuels	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2. Industrial Processes and product use	-54	-37	-44	-45	-48	-43	-32	-31	-14	-15	-23	-20	-42	-19	-11	-11	-12
2.A. Mineral industry	-54	-37	-44	-45	-48	-43	-32	-31	-14	-15	-23	-20	-42	-19	-11	-11	-12
2.B. Chemical industry	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0	0
2.C. Metal industry	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2.D. Non-energy products from fuels and solvent use	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	-	-	0	-	0	0	0	0	0	0
2.G. Other product manufacture and use	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3. Agriculture	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3. G. Liming	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3.H. Urea application	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3.I. Other carbon-containing fertilizers	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
4. Land Use, Land-Use Change and Forestry (net)	-253	-224	-222	-221	-217	-217	-210	-204	-197	-191	-122	-121	-121	-120	-120	-76	-100
4.A. Forest Land	-253	-253	-253	-253	-251	-252	-247	-242	-237	-232	-164	-165	-166	-167	-168	-193	-209
4.B. Cropland	0	6	6	7	7	8	8	9	9	10	10	10	11	11	12	24	30
4.C. Grassland	-	4	5	5	6	6	6	7	7	8	8	8	9	9	10	20	18
4.D. Wetlands	-	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
4.E. Settlements	-	19	20	20	21	22	22	23	23	24	25	25	26	26	27	73	60
4.F. Other Land	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
4.G. Harvested wood products	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5. Waste	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
5.E. Other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Total National Emissions and Removals	-145	-146	-138	-134	-128	-186	-186	-182	-168	-149	-188	-145	-171	-179	-112	-387	-442
1. Energy	-25	-21	-13	-13	-14	-16	-16	-13	-10	-15	-34	-12	-19	-17	3	-57	-121
1.A. Fuel Combustion Activities	-25	-21	-13	-13	-14	-16	-16	-13	-10	-15	-34	-12	-19	-17	3	-57	-121
1.A.1. Energy Industries	0	-	-	0	-2	0	0	2	4	14	21	5	14	28	55	111	100

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1.A.2. Manufacturing Industries and Construction	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	-1	0	30	16	29	47	-39	-50
1.A.3. Transport	-25	-21	-13	-13	-14	-16	-16	-13	-10	-15	-34	-19	-9	-18	-13	-9	-19
1.A.4. Other Sectors	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-1	-4	-14	-21	-27	-40	-56	-86	-121	-151
1.A.5. Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1.B. Fugitive Emissions from Fuels	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2. Industrial Processes and product use	-14	-14	-6	-19	-30	-31	-27	-25	-25	-23	-23	-11	-20	-31	-21	-39	-49
2.A. Mineral industry	-15	-14	-6	-20	-30	-31	-29	-27	-26	-25	-24	-12	-20	-33	-23	-41	-52
2.B. Chemical industry	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	1	2	1	2	0	2	2	2	2
2.C. Metal industry	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2.D. Non-energy products from fuels and solvent use	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2.G. Other product manufacture and use	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	0	0
3. Agriculture	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-9
3. G. Liming	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3.H. Urea application	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-7
3.I. Other carbon-containing fertilizers	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-2
4. Land Use, Land-Use Change and Forestry (net)	-106	-112	-119	-102	-84	-139	-144	-143	-133	-111	-131	-122	-132	-131	-94	-290	-263
4.A. Forest Land	-221	-234	-247	-235	-226	-219	-221	-213	-218	-212	-222	-225	-236	-241	-257	-260	-261
4.B. Cropland	31	32	33	33	34	12	15	17	22	22	20	24	23	25	26	-103	-105
4.C. Grassland	20	21	23	25	26	18	17	17	21	22	21	22	22	24	24	24	27
4.D. Wetlands	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	0	0	0	-
4.E. Settlements	63	68	71	75	80	50	46	36	41	57	50	56	59	62	72	73	76
4.F. Other Land	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
4.G. Harvested wood products	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	41	-25	0
5. Waste	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	-
5.E. Other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0	0

Table 9.3 Recalculation for CH_4 performed in the 2026 submission for 1990-2023. Differences in kt CO_2 equivalents between this and the April 2025 submission for Denmark. Excluding Greenland and Faroe Islands.

CH_4, kt CO_2 equivalents	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Total National Emissions and Removals	-427	-442	-463	-480	-478	-483	-486	-494	-504	-505	-500	-520	-531	-524	-538	-556	-554
1. Energy	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
1.A. Fuel Combustion Activities	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1.A.1. Energy Industries	-	-	-	-	-	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1.A.2. Manufacturing Industries and Construction	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1.A.3. Transport	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1.A.4. Other Sectors	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1.A.5. Other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1.B. Fugitive Emissions from Fuels	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2. Industrial Processes and product use	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3. Agriculture	-174	-184	-200	-212	-207	-209	-208	-213	-220	-219	-214	-232	-244	-238	-254	-276	-276
3.A. Enteric Fermentation	-114	-119	-127	-139	-136	-134	-135	-139	-149	-148	-146	-157	-161	-160	-166	-160	-161
3.B. Manure Management	-60	-65	-73	-73	-71	-75	-73	-75	-71	-70	-68	-75	-82	-78	-88	-116	-115
3.F. Field Burning of Agricultural Residues	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
4. Land Use, Land-Use Change and Forestry (net)	0	-1	-1	-2	-2	-3	-3	-4	-4	-5	-5	-6	-6	-7	-7	-8	-8
4.A. Forest Land	0	0	0	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-2	-2	-2	-2	-2	-2
4.B. Cropland	-	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4.C. Grassland	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
4.D. Wetlands	-	0	-1	-1	-2	-2	-2	-3	-3	-4	-4	-4	-5	-5	-6	-6	-6
5. Waste	-253	-258	-262	-266	-269	-271	-274	-277	-279	-281	-281	-281	-281	-280	-277	-273	-269
5.A. Solid waste disposal	-253	-257	-262	-266	-269	-271	-274	-277	-279	-281	-281	-281	-281	-279	-276	-273	-269
5.B. Biological treatment of solid waste	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-1
5.C. Incineration and open burning of waste	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5.D. Waste water treatment and discharge	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5.E. Other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Total National Emissions and Removals	-566	-558	-544	-541	-542	-518	-488	-483	-468	-470	-465	-460	-458	-454	-452	-446	-400
1. Energy	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	-1	-1	-1	0	-4	-3
1.A. Fuel Combustion Activities	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	-1	-1	-1	0	-4	-3
1.A.1. Energy Industries	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1.A.2. Manufacturing Industries and Construction	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-1	-1
1.A.3. Transport	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1
1.A.4. Other Sectors	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-1	-1	0	0	0	-2	-2
1.A.5. Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Continued	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
1.B. Fugitive Emissions from Fuels	0	0	-1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2. Industrial Processes and product use	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-1
3. Agriculture	-292	-288	-277	-281	-289	-266	-236	-240	-243	-242	-246	-246	-241	-243	-243	-220	-180
3.A. Enteric Fermentation	-166	-158	-151	-155	-158	-147	-146	-151	-151	-149	-148	-149	-149	-150	-153	-140	-110
3.B. Manure Management	-126	-129	-126	-127	-132	-119	-90	-89	-92	-93	-97	-97	-93	-93	-90	-80	-70
3.F. Field Burning of Agricultural Residues	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0
4. Land Use, Land-Use Change and Forestry (net)	-9	-10	-11	-11	-12	-18	-17	-16	-16	-11	-7	-4	-3	-1	2	6	16
4.A. Forest Land	-2	-2	-3	-3	-3	-4	-4	-4	-4	-4	-4	-5	-5	-4	-5	-5	-5
4.B. Cropland	0	0	0	-	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4.C. Grassland	-	-	-	-	-	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0
4.D. Wetlands	-7	-7	-8	-8	-9	-14	-13	-12	-12	-6	-2	0	1	3	7	10	20
5. Waste	-266	-261	-256	-250	-242	-235	-236	-226	-208	-216	-212	-208	-213	-210	-211	-228	-231
5.A. Solid waste disposal	-265	-261	-256	-250	-244	-235	-229	-224	-212	-211	-207	-202	-197	-192	-188	-184	-180
5.B. Biological treatment of solid waste	-1	-1	-1	1	2	1	-7	-3	0	-4	-5	-6	-16	-17	-23	-44	-54
5.C. Incineration and open burning of waste	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5.D. Waste water treatment and discharge	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-1	-	-	0	0	-	0	3
5.E. Other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0	0

Table 9.4 Recalculation for N_2O performed in the 2026 submission for 1990-2023. Differences in kt CO_2 equivalents between this and the April 2025 submission for Denmark. Excluding Greenland and Faroe Islands.

N_2O, kt CO_2 equivalents	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Total National Emissions and Removals	71	66	54	60	65	79	80	78	77	76	82	82	71	71	65	79	86
1. Energy	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	1
1.A. Fuel Combustion Activities	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	1
1.A.1. Energy Industries	-	-	-	-	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	-	0
1.A.2. Manufacturing Industries and Construction	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1.A.3. Transport	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1.A.4. Other Sectors	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	3	2	2	2
1.A.5. Other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0	0	0	0	0
1.B. Fugitive Emissions from Fuels	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2. Industrial Processes and product use	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3. Agriculture	76	71	60	67	64	78	78	76	76	75	80	79	69	68	63	77	83
3.B. Manure Management	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3.D. Agricultural soils	76	72	60	67	64	78	78	76	76	75	80	79	69	68	63	77	83
3.F. Field Burning of Agricultural Residues	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
4. Land Use, Land-Use Change and Forestry (net)	-6	-7	-7	-9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
4.A. Forest Land	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4.B. Cropland	–	-6	-7	-8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4.C. Grassland	-	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4.D. Wetlands	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
4.E. Settlements	-	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5. Waste	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5.B. Biological treatment of solid waste	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5.C. Incineration and open burning of waste	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5.D. Waste water treatment and discharge	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Total National Emissions and Removals	87	84	94	91	100	108	112	141	177	219	246	248	245	256	300	289	379
1. Energy	1	1	0	-1	-2	-2	-1	15	45	78	107	134	149	161	176	173	179
1.A. Fuel Combustion Activities	1	1	0	-1	-2	-2	-1	15	45	78	107	134	149	161	176	173	179
1.A.1. Energy Industries	0	0	-	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1
1.A.2. Manufacturing Industries and Construction	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	-1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
1.A.3. Transport	0	0	0	0	-1	-1	1	16	48	82	110	136	152	163	178	176	182
1.A.4. Other Sectors	1	1	0	-1	-1	-2	-2	-2	-3	-4	-4	-4	-4	-4	-5	-5	-6
1.A.5. Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
1.B. Fugitive Emissions from Fuels	-	-	-	-	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Continued	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
2. Industrial Processes and product use	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-2
3. Agriculture	85	82	93	90	99	106	114	123	127	137	136	118	101	100	126	119	202
3.B. Manure Management	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-1	-1	-1	0	-1
3.D. Agricultural soils	85	82	93	90	99	106	114	123	127	137	136	118	101	101	127	119	203
3.F. Field Burning of Agricultural Residues	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0
4. Land Use, Land-Use Change and Forestry (net)	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	1	2	2	2	2	2	4
4.A. Forest Land	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
4.B. Cropland	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	2
4.C. Grassland	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4.D. Wetlands	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
4.E. Settlements	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1
5. Waste	-	-	-	1	2	3	-1	2	4	1	1	-5	-6	-7	-4	-6	-3
5.B. Biological treatment of solid waste	-	-	-	1	2	3	-1	2	4	1	1	-5	-6	-7	-4	-6	-3
5.C. Incineration and open burning of waste	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5.D. Waste water treatment and discharge	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Table 9.5 Recalculation for f-gases performed in the 2026 submission for 1990-2023. Differences in kt CO_2 equivalents between this and the April 2025 submission for Denmark. Excluding Greenland and Faroe Islands.

f-gases kt CO_2 eqv	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
HFCs	–	–	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
PFCs	–	–	–	–	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
SF_6	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
HFCs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
PFCs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
SF_6	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–

9.4 Recalculations, including those in response to the review process, and planned improvements to the inventory (e.g. institutional arrangements, inventory preparations)

The review on the submissions in 2007 and 2008 was finalised and the report was published 15 April, 2009. For the 2009 submission the review report was finalised and published 15 April, 2010. The review report of the in-country review of the 2010 submission was published 3 March, 2011. The draft review report for the review of the 2011 submission was available 9 February, 2012. The final review report was published 30 April, 2012. The draft review report of the 2012 submission was made available 30 April, 2013 and the final review report was dated 2 August, 2013. The draft review report of the 2013 submission was made available April 28, 2014 and the final review report was dated 23 June, 2014. The draft of the review report from the centralised review carried out in September 2014 was received on December 9, 2014. The final report was published on February 4, 2015. No review took place in 2015. The review of the 2016 submission took place as an in-country review in September 2016. The final report was published on 9 August, 2017. No review took place in 2017. The review of the 2018 submission took place in October 2018. The final report was published on 5 February, 2019. No review took place in 2019. The review of the 2020 submission took place in November 2020 and the final report was published 5 May 2021. The review of the 2021 submission took place in September 2021 and the final report was published 17 August 2022. The review of the 2022 submission took place in September 2022 and the final report was published 11 May 2023. No review took place in 2023 and 2024.

The 2023 submission was reviewed as part of the review of the first Danish biennial transparency report. The review was conducted in-country in Copenhagen from 28 April to 2 May 2025. The review report was published 22 October 2025.

The status of the implementation of review recommendations from the latest published review is for the general recommendations included in Table 9.6. For the sector specific recommendations, please refer to the individual sector chapters.

Table 9.6 General recommendations from the latest UNFCCC review.
https://unfccc.int/sites/default/files/resource/terr1_2024_DNKa01.pdf

Para.	CRT	ERT Comment	Denmark's response
2.G.1	CRTs	The TERT recommends that the Party report complete CRTs for the entire territory under the Paris Agreement (i.e. for the Kingdom of Denmark, comprising Denmark, Greenland and the Faroe Islands).	In 2026, submissions will be made both for the EU geographical scope (and current NDC scope) and for the full geographical scope of the Kingdom of Denmark, i.e. Denmark, Greenland and the Faroe Islands
2.G.2	Key category analysis	The TERT recommends that the Party carry out and report a key category analysis for the entire territory of Denmark, Greenland and the Faroe Islands.	Table 7 of the CRTs contain a key category analysis for the Kingdom of Denmark.
2.G.3	Uncertainty analysis	The TERT recommends that the Party carry out and report an uncertainty assessment for the entire territory of Denmark, Greenland and the Faroe Islands.	The Faroe Islands have not been able to carry out an uncertainty estimation for the 2026 submission.

10 Indirect CO_2 and N_2O emissions

10.1 Description of sources of indirect emissions in GHG inventory

The estimation of indirect CO_2 and N_2O emissions is based on the official Danish inventories for the precursor gases (CO, NMVOC, NH_3 and NO_x) reported under the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE) Convention on Long-Range Transboundary Air Pollution (CLRTAP) and the CH_4 emissions reported to the UNFCCC.

For an in-depth description of the Danish inventories for the precursor gases, please see the Danish Informative Inventory Report submitted to the UNECE (Nielsen et al., 2026).

10.2 Methodological issues

The activity data used to estimate the emissions of the precursors and hence the indirect emissions are the same as it used to estimate direct greenhouse gas emissions. Therefore, the information provided in Chapters 3-7 on the activity data is valid also for the reporting of the indirect emissions.

The emission factors used to estimate the emissions of the precursors are for CH_4 documented in this report; see Chapter 3-7. For emissions of CO, NMVOC, NO_x and NH_3, the emission factors are based on a very large selection of data sources. All emission factors are documented in the annual documentation report (Informative Inventory Report – IIR) produced by Denmark and reported as part of the reporting commitments under the Convention on Long-Range Transboundary Air Pollution under the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe; see Nielsen et al. (2026).

The structure of the IIR is very similar to the structure of the NID, so it is easy for interested parties to get the information on the methodologies and emission factors used to estimate emissions of CO, NMVOC, NO_x and NH_3 in Denmark.

Indirect emissions are generally calculated using the methodology described in the 2006 IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006). However, for some sources a more detailed calculation is performed.

The indirect CO_2 emission from CH_4 is calculated as the emission of CH_4 multiplied by 44/16, the indirect CO_2 emission from CO is calculated as the emission of CO multiplied by 44/28 and the indirect CO_2 emission from NMVOC is calculated as the emission of NMVOC multiplied with the carbon content multiplied by 44/12. The default carbon fraction as per the 2006 IPCC Guidelines is 0.6. This fraction is used for all other sources than solvent use, where the inventory is based on a chemical specific approach and hence the exact carbon fraction is known. For more information on the estimation of CO_2 emissions from solvent use, road paving with asphalt and asphalt roofing, please see Chapter 10.2.1.

In the calculation of indirect CO_2, only fossil carbon has been considered, hence indirect CO_2 is not calculated for precursors originating from biomass combustion, nor from other biogenic sources, e.g. agriculture and waste dis-

posal on land. In addition, indirect CO_2 has not been calculated for fuels in the combustion sector where an oxidation factor of 1 is already assumed, i.e. for the IPCC default CO_2 emission factors. Denmark only uses the IPCC default emission factors for fuels with a very low consumption; see Chapter 3 for more information.

10.2.1 Solvent use

As mentioned, the calculation of indirect CO_2 from solvent use including emissions from road paving and asphalt roofing is more detailed than the IPCC default approach.

The category Solvent use (CRF 2.D.3 Other) is aggregated according to the following categories:

- Paint application
- Degreasing, dry cleaning and electronics
- Chemical products manufacturing or processing
- Other use of solvents and related activities
- Printing industry
- Domestic solvent use (other than paint application)
- Road paving with asphalt
- Asphalt roofing

For the two asphalt product categories, indirect CO_2 emissions are calculated from NMVOC, CH_4 and CO emissions (which are subsequently oxidised to CO_2 in the atmosphere). For the other six categories, only NMVOC is relevant.

Methodology

NMVOC emissions from solvent use are estimated using emission modelling of solvents by estimating the amount of (pure) solvents consumed, thus representing a "chemicals approach", where each pollutant is estimated separately. All relevant solvents must be estimated, or at least those together representing more than 90 % of the total pollutant emission. These emissions are summed up to one national total emission from solvent use. The model is updated on a yearly basis. The method is mainly based on the detailed approach and methodology described in EEA (2023) and emissions are calculated for industrial sectors, households and for individual pollutants. The included sources are listed above (the first six categories). The input data for solvent consumption, are available from Statistics Denmark (2025).

For asphalt products, emissions are calculated as activity data multiplied with emission factors. The activity data are the used amounts of asphalt product which has been compiled from production, import and export statistics by Statistics Denmark (2025).

Activity data

Description of compilation of activity data can be found in Nielsen et al. (2026) Chapter 4.5.2 or Hjelgaard (2023) Chapter 6.4. Activity data for solvent use is presented in Table 10.2.1.

Table 10.2.1 Solvent consumption activity data, kt.

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2020	2023	2024
Paint application	166.6	185.4	182.2	186.7	96.6	79.7	117.5	85.2	88.3
Degreasing, dry cleaning and electronics	1.4	1.5	0.6	0.4	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
Chemical products manufacturing or processing	469.1	650.8	679.1	770.2	624.9	538.8	596.3	453.8	450.7
Other use of solvents and related activities	57.7	71.6	56.5	74.6	53.1	61.7	76.1	82.6	131.6
Printing industry	1.3	1.6	1.3	0.3	0.12	0.004	0.0001	0.0002	0.0003
Domestic solvent use (other than paint application)	23.4	36.7	35.0	34.9	35.1	37.7	31.1	69.1	58.4

The used amount of asphalt for road paving and asphalt roofing is presented in Table 10.2.2.

Table 10.2.2 Activity data for asphalt in roofing and road paving, kt.

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2020	2022	2023	2024
Road paving with asphalt	2535	3144	2933	3879	3005	3440	3833	4426	5299	5614
Asphalt roofing	56.1	57.0	88.5	69.6	43.9	47.0	60.0	48.3	49.4	54.0

Emission factors

Emission factors for solvent use are calculated for a complete conversion to CO_2 of each NMVOC molecule in units g CO_2 per g NMVOC from:

$$n \cdot 12 \frac{g}{mol} \Big/ (molecular\ weight\ NMVOC) \cdot 3.667 \frac{g\ CO_2}{g\ C}$$

where n is the number of carbon atoms in the NMVOC molecule. Further description of the methodology for derivation of emission factors in categories can be found in Nielsen et al. (2025) Chapter 4.5.2 or Hjelgaard (2023) Chapter 6.4. The implied emission factors are presented in Table 10.2.3.

Table 10.2.3 CO_2 emission factors for solvent use.

	Unit	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2020	2022	2023	2024
Paint application	t/kt	150.6	156.9	156.4	176.4	252.5	218.1	241.8	216.9	215.8	217.5
Degreasing, dry cleaning and electronics	t/kt	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03
Chemical prod. manufacturing/processing	t/kt	79.6	66.4	61.8	24.9	24.3	23.6	26.3	20.4	18.7	19.0
Other use of solvents and related activities	t/kt	311.2	301.2	251.6	218.8	237.0	269.3	302.0	244.6	280.5	355.5
Printing industry	t/kt	62.8	62.9	64.6	53.9	53.6	342.3	102.5	97.2	97.6	97.6
Domestic solvent use (not paint application)	t/kt	208.5	200.4	200.5	204.7	228.2	220.8	198.7	195.7	198.2	199.3

Emission factors for road paving with asphalt are available in Table 10.2.4 below.

Table 10.2.4 Emission factors for road paving with asphalt incl. cutback.

Pollutant	Unit	Emission factor value	Source
CO_2	kg/t	0.23	Calculated emission factor: Indirect CO_2 from NMVOC, CH_4 and CO (IPCC, 2006)
CH_4	g/t	4.4	US EPA (2004), hot mix
NMVOC	g/t	16.0	EEA (2023)
CO	g/t	120.2	US EPA (2004), hot mix

Emission factors for asphalt roofing are available in Table 10.2.5 below.

Table 10.2.5 Emission factors for asphalt roofing (asphalt blowing).

Pollutant	Unit	Emission factor value	Source
CO_2	kg/t	0.40	Calculated emission factor: Indirect CO_2 from NMVOC and CO (IPCC, 2006)
NMVOC	g/t	130	EEA (2023)
CO	g/t	9.5	EEA (2023)

Emission trends

Table 10.2.6 and Figure 4.5.2 show the emissions of CO_2 from all solvent use categories. The general decrease from 1996 to present is an indication of increased implementation of NMVOC emission reducing measures in production facilities, and a general shift to water soluble and high solid products, in e.g. the graphics-, paint-, plastic- and auto paint and repair industries.

Table 10.2.6 CO_2 emissions from solvent use.

	Unit	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2020	2022	2023	2024
Paint application	kt	25.1	29.1	28.5	32.9	24.4	17.4	28.4	26.9	18.4	19.2
Degreasing, dry cleaning and electronics	kg	37.4	40.6	15.8	9.7	5.5	4.1	5.1	6.5	6.4	5.8
Chemical products manufacturing or processing	kt	37.3	43.2	42.0	19.2	15.2	12.7	15.7	10.7	8.5	8.6
Other use of solvents and related activities	kt	18.0	21.6	14.2	16.3	12.6	16.6	23.0	16.7	23.2	46.8
Printing industry	kt	0.08	0.10	0.08	0.02	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Domestic solvent use (not paint application)	kt	4.9	7.4	7.0	7.1	8.0	8.3	6.2	8.0	13.7	11.6
Asphalt roofing	kt	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.04
Road paving with asphalt	kt	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.5	0.7	0.8	0.7	0.6	0.7
Total CO_2	kt	86.0	101.9	92.3	76.2	60.7	55.8	74.1	63.0	64.4	86.9

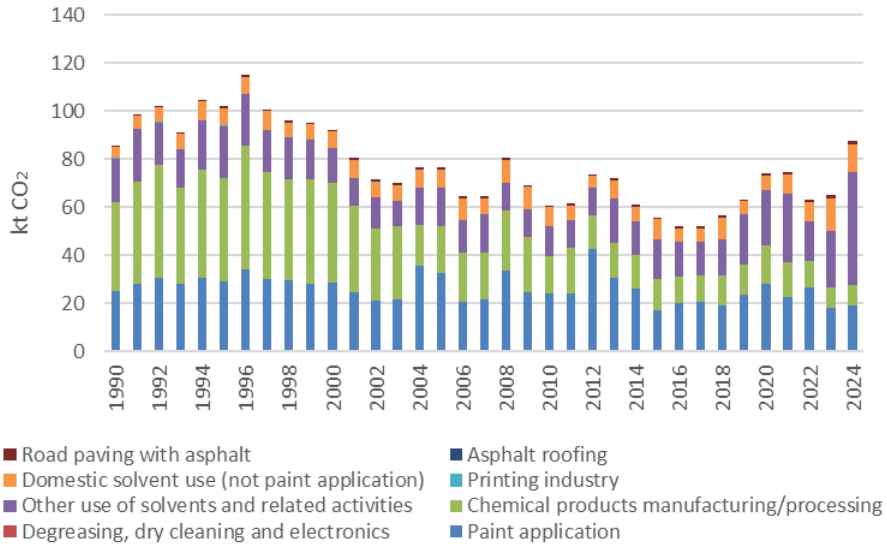


Figure 4.5.2 CO_2 emissions from solvent use, kt.

Time series consistency and completeness

The time series is both consistent and complete. For verification, please refer to Hjelgaard (2023) Chapter 6.4.4.

10.3 Results

The precursor emissions used in the IPCC default calculation of indirect CO_2 as mentioned differs from the emissions reported in the CRF. Table 10.3.1 below shows the precursor emissions on which the calculation of indirect CO_2 is based.

Table 10.3.1 Emissions of precursors used in the calculation of indirect CO_2 for 2024, kt.

	CH_4	CO	NMVOC
Energy	5.81	101.05	12.91
Industrial processes and product use	0.01	0.21	5.82

The resulting indirect emissions are shown in Table 10.3.2 below.

Table 10.3.2 Indirect CO_2 emissions for 1990 and 2024, kt CO_2e.

	1990	2024
Total	1233.1	291.2

For indirect N_2O the emissions resulting from ammonia emissions in agriculture and LULUCF are covered in the sectoral tables for agriculture and LULUCF. The indirect N_2O emissions resulting from NO_x emissions in these sectors are included in CRF Table 6. The indirect N_2O emissions are calculated using the below equation.

$$N_2O = (NO_X - N + NH_3 - N) * EF * 44/28$$

The default emission factor of 0.1 kg N_2O-N per kg NH_3-N or NO_x-N emitted is used for all sources.

10.4 Uncertainties and time-series consistency

Uncertainties for the precursors are estimated using a simple error propagation method similar to the IPCC Approach 1.

Please see Nielsen et al. (2026) for further information on the uncertainties and time-series consistency for the Danish inventories of indirect greenhouse gases.

10.5 Category-specific QA/QC and verification

Please see Nielsen et al. (2026) for further information on the QA/QC for the Danish inventories of indirect greenhouse gases.

10.6 Category-specific recalculations

A large number of recalculations are carried out annually to take into account new data, updated knowledge, new sources and correction of errors. The recalculations for 1990 and 2023 are shown in Table 10.3.3 and 10.3.4 below. Only short explanations are provided in this report as the number of recalculations are vast and it is beyond the scope of this report to include them here.

Please see Nielsen et al. (2025) for further information on the recalculations for the Danish inventories of indirect greenhouse gases.

Table 10.3.3 Recalculations of indirect emissions and precursors for 1990, kt.

	Source emissions					Indirect emissions	
	CH_4	CO	NMVOC	NO_x	NH_3	CO_2	N_2O
Total	-15.23	-2.16	0.32	-0.12	0.00	-11.90	-0.01
Energy	0.00	-2.16	0.00	-0.12	0.00	-3.42	-0.01
Industrial processes and product use	-	-	-4.19	-	-	-8.48	-
Agriculture	-6.21	-	4.56	0.00	-		0.00
LULUCF	-	-	-	-	-		-
Waste	-9.02	-	-0.03	-	-		-

The recalculations in 1990 are generally small. For CH_4, the largest recalculation is in the waste and agricultural sector. The recalculations for agriculture and waste do not affect the indirect CO_2 emission, as they are biogenic.

The recalculations of CO are small compared to the total CO emission in 1990 (approximately 717 kt). The small recalculations are mainly due to changes in the estimates from mobile combustion. The main change is that deterioration factors for passenger cars and vans have been updated based on updates to the COPERT model.

The NMVOC emissions have changed mainly due to recalculations in the IPPU and agricultural sector. For IPPU, the main change is related to an update of the model for solvent use. For agriculture, the recalculation is due to updated data. The recalculation for agriculture does not affect the indirect CO_2 emission, as they are biogenic.

For NO_x, the only change is related to mobile combustion. The main reason is the mentioned update to the model for road transport.

The changes for NH_3 are minor and are not further discussed here.

The total indirect CO_2 emission has decreased slightly mainly as a consequence of the decreased emissions of CO and NMVOC from the energy sector.

Table 10.3.4 Recalculations of indirect emissions and precursors for 2023, kt.

	Source emissions					Indirect emissions	
	CH_4	CO	NMVOC	NO_x	NH_3	CO_2	N_2O
Total	-14.83	1.73	4.11	2.16	-0.12	6.12	0.01
Energy	-0.12	2.85	0.38	1.68	-0.02	4.38	0.01
Industrial processes and product use	-0.04	-1.17	0.18	-0.02	0.01	1.74	0.00
Agriculture	-6.42	0.03	3.58	0.50	-		0.00
LULUCF	-	-	-	-	-		-
Waste	-8.26	0.02	-0.02	0.00	-0.11		0.00

The main recalculations for CH_4, CO, NMVOC and NO_x in 2023 are to a large extent caused by the same improvements as mentioned for 1990.

The total indirect CO_2 emission has increased slightly mainly as a consequence of the increased emissions of CO from the energy sector.

Please see Nielsen et al. (2026) for further information on the recalculations for the Danish inventories of indirect greenhouse gases. For the recalculations of CH_4, please see the relevant sector chapter of this report.

10.7 Category-specific planned improvements

Please see Nielsen et al. (2026) for further information on the planned improvements for the Danish inventories of indirect greenhouse gases.

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11 Methodology applied for the greenhouse gas inventory for Greenland

11.1 Introduction

This chapter is Greenland's National Inventory Document (NID) 2026 for submission to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change and the Kyoto Protocol.

The following sections contain detailed information on Greenland's inventories for all the years from 1990 to 2024. The structure of the report follows the UNFCCC guidelines on reporting and review.

The issues addressed in this report are trends in greenhouse gas emission, a description of each IPCC category, uncertainty estimates, recalculations, planned improvements and procedures for quality assurance and control.

The annual emission inventories for the years 1990-2024 are reported in the Common Reporting Tables (CRT) as requested in the reporting guidelines. The CRT-spreadsheets contain data on emissions, activity data and implied emission factors for each year. Emission trends are given for each greenhouse gas and for the total greenhouse gas emission in CO_2 equivalents.

According to the instrument of ratification, the Danish government has ratified the UNFCCC on behalf of Denmark, Greenland, and the Faroe Islands.

The information in this chapter relates to Greenland only.

This report does not contain the full set of CRT Tables. However, the full set of CRT tables is available at the EIONET, Central Data Repository, kept by the European Environment Agency:
http://cdr.eionet.europa.eu/dk/Air_Emission_Inventories/Submission_UNFCCC

The greenhouse gas inventory submitted in 2026 is completed by Statistics Greenland with technical support from the Danish National Center of Environment and Energy (DCE). This report on methodology is written by Statistics Greenland with documental support by DCE.

11.1.1 Greenhouse gas

The greenhouse gases to be reported under the Climate Convention are:

- Carbon dioxide CO_2
- Methane CH_4
- Nitrous Oxide N_2O
- Hydrofluorocarbons HFCs
- Perfluorocarbons PFCs
- Sulphur hexafluoride SF_6
- Nitrogen triflouride NF_3

According to the IPCC and their Fifth Assessment Report, which UNFCCC has decided to use as reference, the global warming potentials for a 100-year time horizon are:

- Carbon dioxide (CO_2) 1
- Methane (CH_4) 28
- Nitrous Oxide (N_2O) 265

Based on weight and a 100-year period, methane is thus 28 times more powerful greenhouse gas than CO_2, and nitrous oxide is 265 times more powerful. Some of the other greenhouse gases (hydrofluorocarbons, perfluorocarbons, and sulphur hexafluoride) have considerably higher global warming potential values.

The indirect greenhouse gases reported are nitrogen oxides (NO_x), carbon monoxide (CO), non-methane volatile organic compounds (NMVOC) and sulphur dioxide (SO_2).

11.1.2 A description of the institutional arrangement for inventory preparation

All calculations and reporting in this 2026 submission have been conducted by Statistics Greenland. This includes reporting the Greenlandic national emission inventory to DCE in the Common Reporting Format in accordance with the UNFCCC guidelines.

DCE is responsible for reporting the national inventory for the Kingdom of Denmark to the UNFCCC. The inventory for LULUCF is carried out by DCE and the documentation of the inventory (Sections 11.6) is completed by the Danish LULUCF experts with data supplied by Statistics Greenland.

The work concerning the annual greenhouse gas emission inventory is carried out in cooperation with Greenlandic ministries, research institutes, organisations and companies.

Statistics Greenland

Statistics Greenland conducts an annual energy statistic in a format suitable for the emission inventory work and fuel-use data for the large combustion plants. Since 2009, annual surveys on emissions of F-gas have been conducted.

Agricultural Advisory Service (Ministry for Agriculture, Self-Sufficiency, Energy and Environment)

Background data on forestry, cropland and grassland, and statistics on livestock (sheep and reindeer).

Former Ministry of Nature and Environment

Data on waste and emission of F-gas. Annual Survey carried out by the former Ministry of Domestic Affairs, Nature and Environment until 2008 and by Statistics Greenland from 2009 and onwards.

Greenland Airport Authority (Ministry of Housing and Infrastructure)

Statistics on domestic and foreign flights to and from Greenland.

11.1.3 Brief description of the process of inventory preparation - data collection, data processing, data storage

The background data (activity data and emission factors) for estimation of the Greenlandic emission inventories is collected and stored in central databases at

Statistics Greenland. The databases are in SAS/WPS format and handled with the World Programming System (WPS) software. The WPS programs are designed by Statistics Greenland. The methodologies and data sources used for the different sectors are described briefly in Section 11.1.4 and more in depth in Sections 11.3 to 11.7.

For each submission, databases and additional tools and submodels are frozen together with the resulting CRT-reporting format. The material is placed on servers at Statistics Greenland. The servers are subject to routine backup services. Material, which has been backed up, is archived safely.

11.1.4 Brief general description of methodologies and data sources used

Greenland's air emission inventories are based on the IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories (IPCC, 2006), the Good Practice Guidance and Uncertainty Management in National Greenhouse Gas Inventories (IPCC, 2000), the Good Practice Guidance for Land Use, Land-Use Change and Forestry (IPCC, 2003) and the CORINAIR methodology.

CORINAIR (COoRdination of INformation on AIR emissions) is a European air emission inventory programme for national sector-wise emission estimations, harmonised with the IPCC guidelines. To ensure estimates are as timely, consistent, transparent, accurate and comparable as possible, the inventory programme has developed calculation methodologies for most subsectors and software for storage and further data processing (EMEP/CORINAIR, 2007).

A thorough description of the CORINAIR inventory programme used for Danish emission estimations is given in Illerup et al. (2000). The CORINAIR calculation principle is to calculate the emissions as activities multiplied by emission factors. Activities are numbers referring to a specific process generating emissions, while an emission factor is the mass of emissions per unit activity. Information on activities to carry out the CORINAIR inventory is largely based on official statistics. The most consistent emission factors have been used either as national values or as default factors proposed by international guidelines.

A list of all subsectors at the most detailed level is given in Illerup et al. (2000) together with a translation between CORINAIR and IPCC codes for sector classifications.

The greenhouse gas inventory for Greenland includes the following sectors:

- Energy
- Industrial Processes and Product Use
- Agriculture
- Land Use, Land-use Change and Forestry
- Waste

The applied methodologies follow the IPCC Guidelines and IPCC Good Practice Guidance. In some cases, the methodology is identical to the methodology applied in the Danish inventory, however, the availability of data – especially site-specific data – do not allow the same methodology to be used for all the sectors. The brief methodological description is included below for the different sectors. Descriptions that are more thorough are included in Sections 11.3-11.7.

Energy

Fuel Combustion

The Greenlandic emission inventory for fuel combustion has been performed according to the IPCC tier 1 methodology. The inventory is based on activity data from the Greenlandic energy statistics and on emission factors for different fuels, plants and sectors.

Total fuel combustion is based on data from Polaroil, Air BP, and Malik Supply A/S. Polaroil imports fuel and distributes fuel in all parts of Greenland. Air BP imports and distributes fuel in Kangerlussuaq. Malik Supply A/S, a Danish company, re-distributes fuel bought from Polaroil to Greenlandic trawlers, ships etc. By using detailed data from Polaroil, Statoil and Malik Supply A/S it is possible to determine total import, total export, total international bunkers and total domestic fuel combustion.

Total domestic fuel combustion is divided into sectors and private households by using data from a survey on energy consumption, company specific sales data from Polaroil and local fuel distributors, relevant tax accounting and by estimation.

Fuel combustion in private households is estimated using detailed information from local fuel distributors. Fuel deliveries are registered by buildings. In Greenland, each building has a unique number registered in the Greenlandic Area Register (NIN). By combining the NIN-register and the Danish Business Register (CVR) with statistics on housing and population, each building is labelled *private household* or located to a sector describing the main activity in the building. This new building-sector register, completed annually, is used extensively to determine the buyer of fuel delivered by Polaroil or local fuel distributors.

Fuel combustion in road traffic is based on a model designed by Statistics Greenland. The model contains data on the vehicle stock obtained from the Greenland Police Department's register on engine data. The vehicles are divided into broad categories of type e.g., personal car, lorry, taxi, truck, ambulance, motorbike etc. Each category is assigned with ratios on fuel type and mileage. Input data on mileage is derived from an annual survey among businesses and private road traffic since 2008. Each vehicle is divided into business categories or labelled *private vehicle* according to the owner. For each group the emissions are estimated by combining vehicle and annual mileage numbers with standard emission factors according to the type of fuel. However, the model does not take cold start or hot engines into account.

For air traffic, annual emissions are based on activity data from Air Greenland A/S and sales data from the Greenland Airport Authority. For navigation, ferries and freight, annual emissions are based on activity data from Royal Arctic Line A/S (freight), Royal Arctic Tankers A/S (freight), and Arctic Umiaq Line A/S (passengers).

For further information please refer to Section 11.3.

Memo Items

International Aviation Bunkers

Emissions from international aviation bunkers are included from 2004 and onwards. Before 2004, international aviation bunkers are considered to be of negligible importance.

International Navigation Bunkers

Emissions from international marine bunkers are included from 2004 and onwards. Before 2004, international marine bunkers are considered to be of negligible importance.

Fugitive emissions

Greenland has no coal mines, no offshore activities, no oil refineries, no natural gas transmission, or distribution. For that reason, there have been no fugitive emissions from such activities in 1990-2009. However, in 2010 a Scottish company initiated a search for oil along the westcoast of Greenland. Three wells were drilled and tested in 2010. Five wells in 2011. There has been no oil exploration since 2011.

In the 2014 National Inventory Report calculation of fugitive emission was based on the annual number of drilled and tested wells and IPCC Guideline emission factors. Since the 2015 National Inventory report, fugitive emission is to be based on the amount of drilled oil and gas and IPCC Guideline emission factors.

However, the Scottish company has not been able to provide the Government of Greenland with any information on the amount of oil and gas picked up during drillings in 2010 and 2011. To our knowledge, the Scottish company only discovered a few minor kicks with some minor inflow of water or gas during drillings.

With no data available, activity data in 2010 and 2011 has been marked with the notation key Not Applicable (NA). Since no amounts could be estimated, all fugitive emissions are assumed to be zero and marked with the notation key Not Applicable (NA). This decision has been made in agreement with the DCE.

Aside from energy production, some fugitive emission occurs in the distribution of fuel e.g., when refuelling from ships to onshore tanks, onshore loading of fuel to ships and offshore loading of ships. The emission would only be in the form of NMVOC. The fugitive emission from loading/unloading of ships is currently not estimated.

Industrial Processes and Product Use

Mineral Industry

CO_2 emissions occur from limestone and dolomite use. Import statistics of limestone are used as activity data for estimating the emissions.

Chemical Industry

Greenland has no chemical industry.

Metal Industry

Greenland has no metal industry.

Non-energy Products from Fuels and Solvent Use

CO_2 emissions occur from paraffin wax use, road paving with asphalt and asphalt roofing. Import statistics of paraffin wax and asphalt are used as activity data for estimating the emissions.

The emission estimates for solvent use are also prepared by using import statistics of pure chemicals that fit the criteria for being considered a NMVOC compound. Additionally, import statistics are used for products containing NMVOC's. The NMVOC emission is then calculated into a CO_2 emission by

using a standard value for carbon content in the NMVOC's. For further information, see Section 11.4.

Electronics Industry

Greenland has no electronics industry.

Product Uses

Greenland has no production of halocarbons or SF_6. Data on consumption of F-gas (HFCs and SF_6) are obtained from an annual survey on consumption of halocarbons and SF_6 conducted by the Ministry of Industry and Labour. Information on emission of industrial gases is available from 1995 onwards. Greenland has no consumption of PFCs.

Product Uses as Substitutes for ODS

Consumption of halocarbons for refrigeration.

Other Product Manufacture and Use

Consumption of SF_6 in electrical equipment.

Other Production

There are several manufacturers of fish products and one tannery. Emissions of NMVOC are estimated, but there are no emissions of greenhouse gases occurring.

For further information on the methodology for calculating emissions from industrial processes, please refer to Section 11.4.

Agriculture

Livestock, Enteric Fermentation and Manure Management

Agriculture is sparse in Greenland due to climatic conditions. However, sheep and reindeer are considered to contribute to emission of greenhouse gases. Enteric fermentation and manure management is assumed to contribute to emission of CH_4, and nitrogen excretion is assumed to contribute to emission of N_2O.

Activity data for livestock is on a one-year average basis from the agriculture statistics published by Statistics Greenland. Data concerning the land use and crop yield is obtained from the Agricultural Advisory Service.

Data concerning the feed consumption and nitrogen excretion from sheep is based on information from the Agricultural Advisory Service supplemented by data on imported feed. Data concerning the feed consumption and nitrogen excretion from reindeer is based on information from the Agricultural Advisory Service and information from an article on reindeer management in Greenland.

Emission of N_2O is closely related to the nitrogen balance. Thus, quite a lot of the activity data is related to the calculation of ammonia emission. National standards are used to estimate the amount of ammonia emission. When estimating the N_2O emission the IPCC standard value is used for all emission sources. The emission of CO_2 from Agricultural Soils is included in the LULUCF sector.

For a more thorough description of the methodology for the agricultural sector, please refer to Section 11.5.

Land Use, Land-Use Change and Forestry

Greenland is the world's largest non-continental island on the northern American continent between the Arctic Ocean and the North Atlantic Ocean, northeast of Canada. The northernmost point of Greenland, Cape Morris Jesup, is only 740 km from then North Pole. The southernmost point is Cape Farewell, which lies at about the same latitude as Oslo in Norway. Greenland covers approx. 2,166,086 km^2. It has been estimated that 81 % is covered permanently with ice leaving only 410,449 km^2 ice free. The climate is Arctic to sub arctic with cool winters and cold summers. The capitol Nuuk has an average temperature of 1.4°C.

Due to its cold climate the LULUCF sector is of minor importance in relation to the emission of greenhouse gases. Only a very minor area is covered by forest of which the major part has been planted within the last 50 years. Cropland was introduced in the year 2000 and grassland management within the last 30 years. The cold climate slows down the biological processes, making all growth rates very low.

In total, the emission from the LULUC sector in 2024 has been estimated to a net source 1.31 kt CO_2 equivalent or 0.2 % of the total Greenlandic emission.

Forest land

Greenland has a few forests, which may qualify to the FAO criteria of forest definitions. The major forest areas are:

A natural forest in the Qinngua valley of 45 ha consisting mainly of Betula Pubescens ssp. Czerepanovii, which in the period 1990 to 2024 has had an average height of six meters and approx. 100 trees per ha. It is thus assumed that it has had the same biomass for the whole period.

An additional 187 ha other planted forest. The largest of this is an arboretum (a research area) where different species and origins of trees are investigated which are adaptable to the harsh climate.

Cropland

In 1990, no annual crops were grown in Greenland. In 2024, 10.5 ha of cropland were used for annual crops. The primary production is potatoes. Potato fields are mainly managed by hand and primarily fens with a high content of organic matter, which is used for this purpose. It is thus assumed that the IPCC standard emission factor for boreal/cold areas of five tonnes C pr ha can be used although it is probably an overestimation due to the cold climate and the current management practice.

Grassland

In total, 242,000 hectares are reported as grassland. The grasslands are in mountainous areas used for grazing sheep. Due to global warming, there are some smaller areas, which have become improved fertilised grassland. The total area with improved grassland has increased from 490 ha in 1990 to 1,186 ha in 2024.

Wetlands

Reported areas with wetlands consist only of water-reservoirs. Due to lack of methodology for methane emissions under arctic conditions, no emission estimates have been made, which is in accordance with the IPCC 2006 Guidelines.

Settlements

The few settlements are mainly built on cliffs with very sparse vegetation. Hence, it is assumed that no changes in C stock will occur.

Other land

No emission estimates have been made since no data is available which is in accordance with IPCC Good Practice Guidance guidelines.

Harvested wood products

Due to only marginal areas with slow growing forests, it is assumed that no national changes in the carbon stock in Harvested Wood Products (HWP) have taken place. For a more thorough description of the methodology applied for LULUCF, please refer to Section 11.6.

Waste

Solid Waste Disposal

The solid waste disposal in Greenland can be divided into the following processes:

- Managed waste disposal sites, anaerobic.
- Unmanaged waste disposal sites.

Biological Treatment of Solid waste

Greenland has no biological treatment of solid waste.

Incineration and Open Burning of Waste

Waste incineration with or without energy recovery and open burning of waste are both divided in the following processes:

- Waste incineration/Open burning, biogenic.
- Waste incineration/Open burning, non-biogenic.

Waste incineration with energy recovery is according to IPCC Guidelines included under the energy sector.

Information on the amount of waste produced per year, amount of waste treated in the different processes, distribution between household and commercial waste, composition of the household waste and commercial waste, respectively, are provided by the Ministry of Environment and Nature.

Wastewater Treatment and Discharge

N_2O emission from human sewage is estimated. The calculation of the N_2O emission uses population data from Statistics Greenland website and an estimate for average protein consumption combined with default values from the IPCC Guidelines. No emissions of CH_4 are assumed to occur.

For more information, please refer to Section 11.7.

11.1.5 Brief description of key categories

A key category analysis (KCA) for year 1990 and 2024 has been carried out in accordance with the IPCC Good Practice Guidance.

The categorisation used results in a total of 40 categories. In the level KCA for the inventory for 1990, five key categories were identified. In the KCA for 2024,

six categories were identified as key categories due to the level whereas eight categories were key categories due to the trend.

Of the six key sources due to level for the reporting year 2024 five are in the energy sector, of which CO_2 from liquid fuels excluding transport in the analysis contributes most with 73.0 % of the national total (this contribution and the percentage contributions in the following are results from the level KCA based on the absolute values of the emissions; this contribution as percentages may differ somewhat from the percentage used in the sectoral chapters). Of the remaining level key categories in the energy sector three are CO_2 from the transport sector and one is CO_2 from combustion of other fuels excluding transportation. Domestic navigation, road transportation, and domestic aviation comprise respectively 8.1 %, 5.4 % and 5.2 % of the national total. The last key category is HFCs from the consumption of HFCs.

The trend assessment shows that N_2O from wastewater treatment and discharge and CH_4 from enteric fermentation are key categories to the trend. Further, five sources from the energy sector are also key categories to the trend as well as HFCs from the consumption of HFCs.

The categorisation used, results, etc. are included in Section 11.10 (Annex 1).

11.1.6 Information on QA/QC plan including verification

Several measures are in place to ensure the quality of the Greenlandic greenhouse gas inventory.

The general QC activities include:

- Check that data are correctly moved between data processing steps e.g., it is ensured that the data are imported correctly from the emission spreadsheets/databases to the CRT Reporter.
- The time series are analysed. Any large fluctuations are investigated and explained/corrected.
- The recalculations are analysed, and the consistency of the emission estimates are verified.
- The completeness of the inventory is checked utilising the completeness checker incorporated in the CRT Reporter as well as expert knowledge from the inventory compilers.
- All references are checked, and it is ensured that the citations are correct.

These types of QC checks are recommended as tier 1 QC checks in the IPCC Good Practice Guidance (IPCC, 2000).

The Greenlandic emission inventory is reviewed by Danish emission experts, who provide input to the Greenlandic inventory compilers on necessary improvements etc. This is done as a QA procedure. When the emission estimates are transferred to DCE, the quality control system of the Danish emission inventory is applied to the Greenlandic data.

All information related to the Greenlandic emission estimates are documented and archived securely annually. This is done to ensure that any part of the inventory can be reproduced at a later stage if necessary.

In addition, source specific QA/QC activities are conducted; please see the associated paragraphs in the sectoral chapters.

11.1.7 General uncertainty evaluation

The uncertainty estimates are based on the Tier 1 methodology in the IPCC 2006 Guidelines (IPCC, 2006). Uncertainty estimates for the following sectors are included in the current year: fuel combustion, industrial processes and product use, solid waste, wastewater treatment and waste incineration, agriculture and LULUCF.

The uncertainties for the activity rates and emission factors are shown in Table 11.1.4. The estimated uncertainties for total GHG and for CO_2, CH_4, N_2O and F-gases are shown in Table 11.1.3. The base year for F-gases is 1995 and for all other sources, the base year is 1990. The total Greenlandic GHG emission is estimated with an uncertainty of ± 4.1 %. The trend in the GHG emission (since 1990) has been estimated with an uncertainty of -1.2 % ± 4.0 %-age points. The GHG uncertainty estimates do not consider the uncertainty of the GWP factors.

Regarding uncertainty the largest sources in the Greenlandic GHG Inventory are CO_2 and N_2O from liquid fuels in fuel combustion, N_2O emission from wastewater treatment, CH_4 emission from enteric fermentation, CH_4 emission from solid waste disposal and HFC from consumption of HFC. However, the result is skewed by the fact that more than 90 % of the Greenlandic Greenhouse gas emission is from fuel combustion of liquid fuels.

Table 11.1.3 Uncertainties 1990-2024.

	Uncertainty [%]	Trend [%]	Uncertainty in trend [%-age points]
GHG	± 4.1	-1.2	± 4.0
CO_2	± 3.5	-2.7	± 4.0
CH_4	± 53.8	-18.5	± 11.3
N_2O	± 110	-3.1	± 28.8
F-gases	± 51	+18 990	± 7 737

Table 11.1.4 Uncertainty rates for each emission source.

IPCC Source category	Gas	Base year emission	Year t emission	Activity data uncertainty	Emission factor uncertainty
		Gg CO_2 eqv.	Gg CO_2 eqv.	%	%
1A Liquid fuels	CO_2	620	593	3	2
1A Municipal waste	CO_2	2	10	3	25
1A Liquid fuels	CH_4	1	1	3	100
1A Municipal waste	CH_4	0	0	3	100
1A Biomass	CH_4	0	0	3	100
1A Liquid fuels	N_2O	2	2	3	500
1A Municipal waste	N_2O	0	0	3	500
1A Biomass	N_2O	0	0	3	200
1B2 Oil exploration	CO_2	0	0	3	1000
1B2 Oil exploration	CH_4	0	0	3	1000
1B2 Oil exploration	N_2O	0	0	3	1000
2A4 Limestone and dolomite use	CO_2	0	0	5	5
2D2 Paraffin wax use	CO_2	0	0	5	25
2D2 Paraffin wax use	N_2O	0	0	5	25
2D2 Paraffin wax use	CH_4	0	0	5	25
2D3 Solvent use	CO_2	0	0	5	25
2D3 Road paving with asphalt	CO_2	0	0	5	25
2D3 Road paving with asphalt	CH_4	0	0	5	25
2D3 Asphalt roofing	CO_2	0	0	5	25
2F Consumption of HFC	HFC	0	12	10	50
2G Consumption of SF_6	SF_6	0	0	10	50
3A Enteric Fermentation	CH_4	9	6	10	100
3B Manure Management	CH_4	0	0	10	100
3B Manure Management	N_2O	1	1	10	100
3D Agricultural soils	N_2O	1	2	20	50
3G Liming	CO_2	0	0	5	50
4A Forest	CO_2	0	0	5	50
4A Forest	CH_4	0	0	5	50
4A Forest	N_2O	0	0	5	50
4B Cropland	CO_2	0	0	5	50
4C Grassland	CO_2	0	1	5	50
4C Grassland	CH_4	0	0	5	50
5A Solid Waste Disposal	CH_4	5	5	10	100
5C Incineration and open burning of waste	CO_2	3	4	10	25
5C Incineration and open burning of waste	CH_4	3	2	10	50
5C Incineration and open burning of waste	N_2O	1	1	10	100
5D Wastewater treatment and discharge	N_2O	7	5	30	100

11.1.8 General assessment of completeness

The present Greenlandic greenhouse gas emission inventory includes all major sources identified by the Revised IPCC Guidelines.

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11.2 Trends in Greenhouse Gas Emissions

11.2.1 Description and interpretation of emission trends for aggregated greenhouse gas emission

The GHG emissions are estimated according to the IPCC guidelines and are aggregated into five main sectors; Energy incl. Transport, Industrial Processes and Product Use, Agriculture, LULUCF, and Waste, see Figure 11.2.3 and Figure 11.2.4.

The greenhouse gases include CO_2, CH_4, N_2O, HFCs, PFCs and SF_6. However, Greenland has no consumption of PFC. In 2024, total emission of greenhouse gases excluding LULUCF was 644.94 Gg CO_2 equivalent, and 646.26 Gg CO_2 equivalent, including LULUCF.

Figure 11.2.1 shows the total greenhouse gas emission in CO_2 equivalents from 1990 to 2024. The emissions are not corrected for temperature variations. CO_2 is the most important greenhouse gas. In 2024, CO_2 contributed to the total emission in CO_2 equivalent excluding LULUCF with 94.1 %, followed by CH_4 with 2.3 %. N_2O, and F-gases (HFCs) contributed with 1.6 % and 1.9 %.

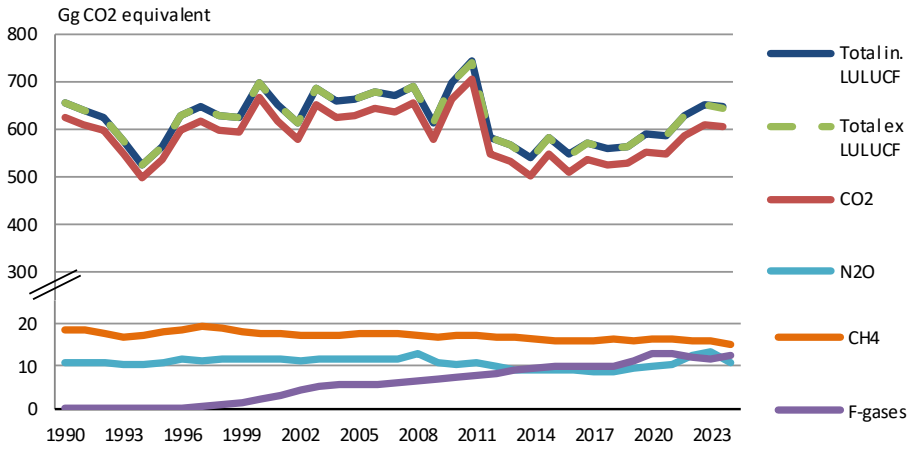


Figure 11.2.1 GHG- emission in CO_2 equivalents, time series 1990-2024.

Stationary combustion plants and transport represent the largest categories. Energy excluding transport contributed to the total emission in CO_2 equivalents excluding LULUCF with 75.1 % in 2024; see Figure 11.2.2. Transport contributed with 18.9 %. Industrial processes and product use, agriculture and waste contributed to the total emission in CO_2 equivalents all together with 5.9 %.

The net CO_2 emission forestry etc. is 0.2 % of the total emission in CO_2 equivalents in 2024. Total GHG emissions in CO_2 equivalents excluding LULUCF have decreased by 1.4 % from 1990 to 2024 and decreased 1.2% including LULUCF. Comments on the overall trends etc. seen in Figure 11.2.1 and Figure 11.2.2 are given in the sections below on individual greenhouse gases.

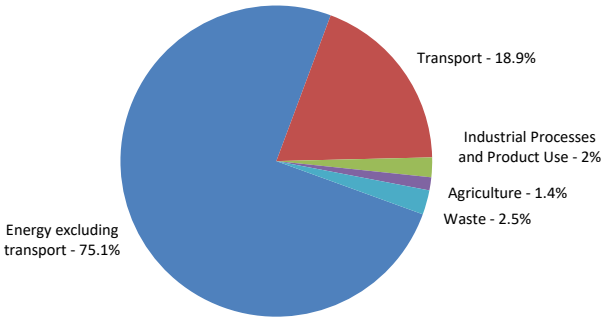


Figure 11.2.2 GHG- emission in CO_2 equivalents distributed on main sectors for 2024.

11.2.2 Description and interpretation of emission trends by gas

Carbon Dioxide

Emission of CO_2 accounted for 94.1 % of the total GHG emission in 2024. The largest source of emission of CO_2 is the energy sector comprising Fuel Combustion (Sectoral Approach). In 2024, the energy sector contributed with 99.3 % of the total CO_2 emission.

In Figure 11.2.3 and Figure 11.2.4 CO_2 emissions are split into several subcategories, e.g. Energy Industries, Manufacturing Industries and Construction, Transport, Other energy sectors consisting of the subcategories Commercial and Institutional, Residential, Agriculture and Fishing. All remaining sectors are included in the subcategory *Other* including Agriculture, Industrial Processes and Product Use, and Incineration and Open Burning of waste.

The largest source to emission of CO_2; the energy sector includes combustion of fossil fuels like gasoil, gasoline, jet kerosene etc. From this sector Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (AFF) contributes with 24.5 % making AFF the largest contributor in 2024 followed by Transports and Energy Industries, accounting for 19.9 % and 17.9 %. Residentals accounted for 16.3 %.

Emissions from Energy Industries have been reduced a great deal in later years due to massive investments in hydro power plants. However, in 2010 and 2011 oil explorations were initiated along the west coast increasing fuel combustion and thus caused emissions in the Energy Industries to rise to the highest point ever. Since 2011, there has been a standstill in the oil exploring activities; see the blue curve in Figure 11.2.3.

Commercial and Institutions contributed with 11.0 % of the total CO_2 emission and Manufacturing Industries and Construction with 9.2 %. The category *Other* (containing the remaining sectors) contributed with 1.2 % of the CO_2 emissions in 2024.

Overall CO_2 emissions excluding LULUCF decreased by 0.4 % from 2023 to 2024. In 2024, the actual CO_2 emission was 2.7 % lower than the emission in 1990 excluding LULUCF.

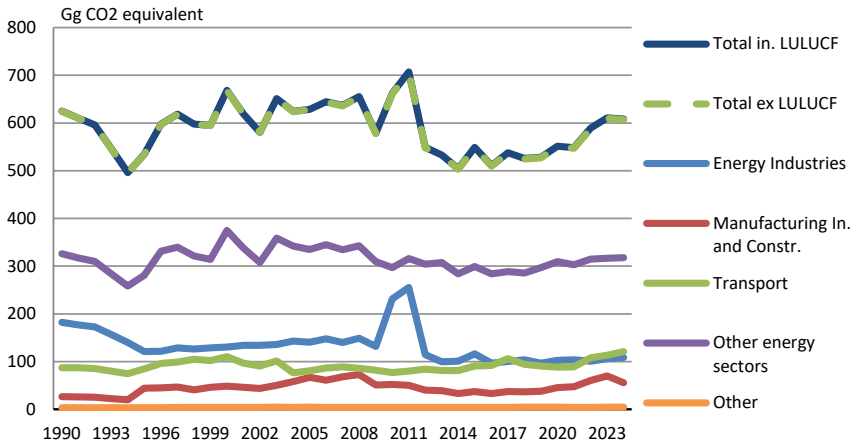


Figure 11.2.3 CO_2 emissions, time series for 1990-2024.

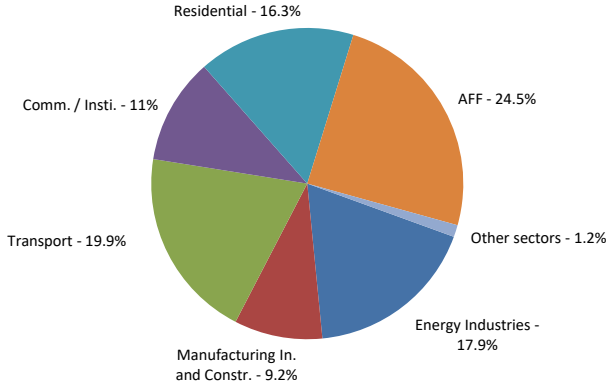


Figure 11.2.4 CO_2 emissions, distribution according to the main sectors for 2024.

Nitrous oxide

Waste, particularly wastewater treatment and discharge, is the most important N_2O emission source in 2024 contributing 50.5 % to the total N_2O emissions, see Figure 11.2.6. Agricultural activities contributed 27.5 % to the total N_2O emissions. Fuel combustion, including transport, contributed 22.0 %. Since 1990, total emission of N_2O has decreased by 3.2 % excluding LULUCF.

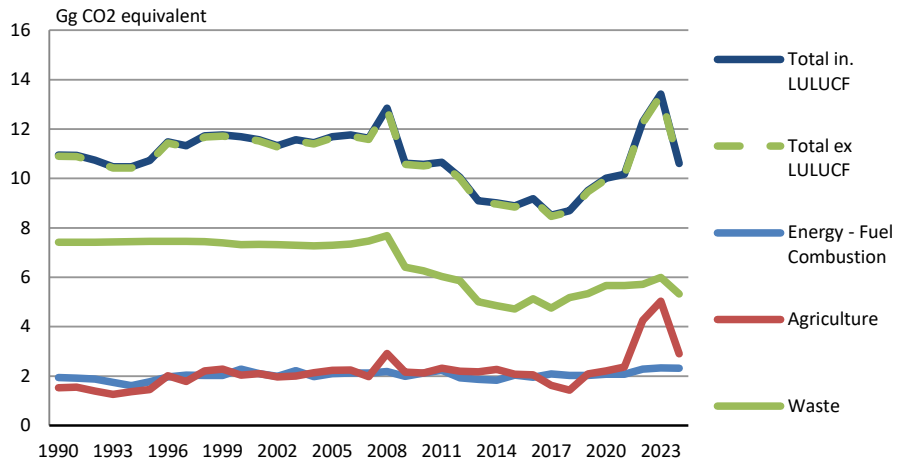


Figure 11.2.5 N_2O emissions, time series for 1990-2024.

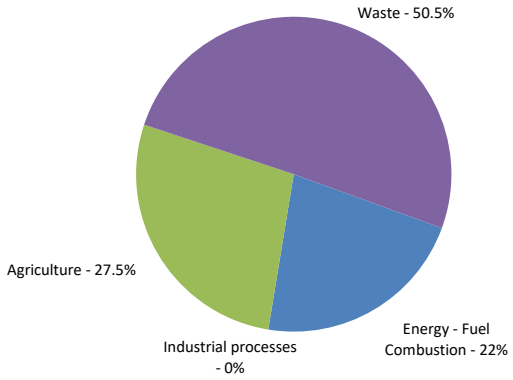


Figure 11.2.6 N_2O emissions, distribution according to the main sectors in 2024.

Methane

The largest sources of anthropogenic CH_4 emissions are waste handling activities contributing with contributing with 50.5 % of total CH_4 emission in 2024, see Figure 11.2.8. Agriculture contributes to 39.1 % of total emissions and the energy sector with 10.3 % of total CH_4 emissions in 2024.

Emission from agriculture derives from enteric fermentation (97.6 %) and management of animal manure (2.4 %). Since 1990, the number of sheep and reindeer has decreased. From 1990 to 2024, the emission of CH_4 from agricultural activities has decreased by 33.4 %.

The emission of CH_4 from waste derives from solid waste disposal (70.4 %) and incineration and open burning (29.6 %). From 1990 to 2024, the emission of CH_4 from solid waste disposal has increased by 3.9 %, while emissions from waste incineration have decreased by 26.2 %. Overall emission of CH_4 from waste handling has decreased by 7.3 % from 1990 to 2024.

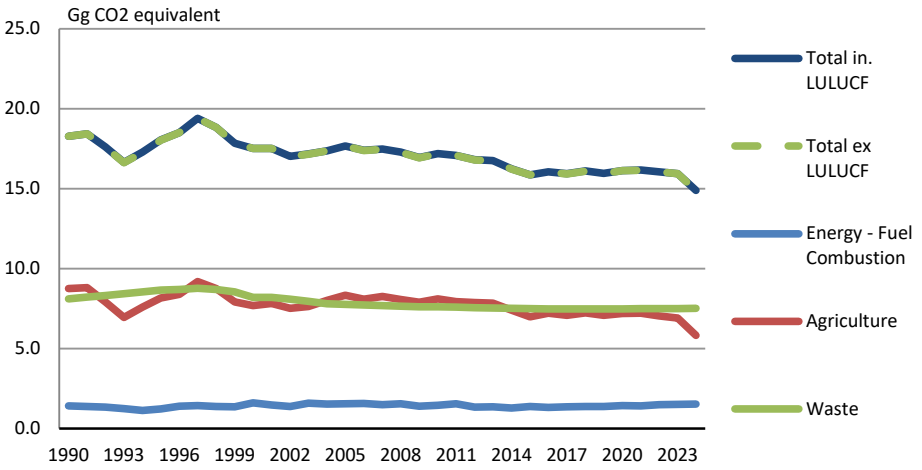


Figure 11.2.7 CH_4 emissions, time series for 1990-2024.

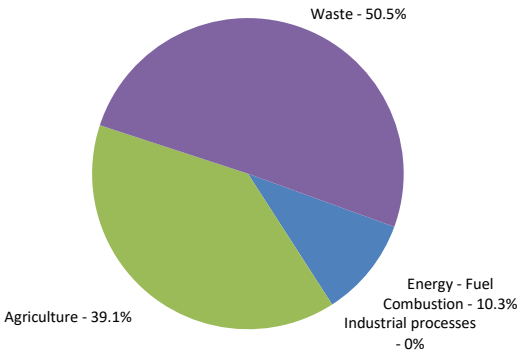


Figure 11.2.8 CH_4 emissions, distribution according to the main sectors in 2024.

HFCs, PFCs and SF_6

This part of the Greenlandic inventory only comprises a full data set for HFCs and SF_6 from 1995. Greenland has no consumption that leads to emission of PFCs. Since 1995 there has been a continuous and substantial increase in the contribution from F-gases calculated as the sum of emissions in CO_2 equivalents, see Figure 11.2.9.

The increasing F-gas emission from 1995 to 2024 is primarily caused by an increase in the use of HFCs. For the years 2004-2024, the relative increase is lower than for the earlier years 1995 to 2004. The increase from 1995 to 2004 is 8,682 %. From 2004 to 2024 total emission increased by 117.4 %. HFCs are mainly used as a refrigerant.

SF_6 contributed to the F-gas sum in 1995 with 54.0 %. Since 1995 there has been no consumption of SF_6 in Greenland. Ultimo 1995, one single plant in Greenland had a stock of SF_6 ultimo 1995. Since, there has been only an annually emission this stock. The lifespan of the specific switchgear has been considered to be 25 full years. Therefore, the last emission of SF_6 in Greenland occurred in 2020, which is the last year of SF_6 emission in the current model.

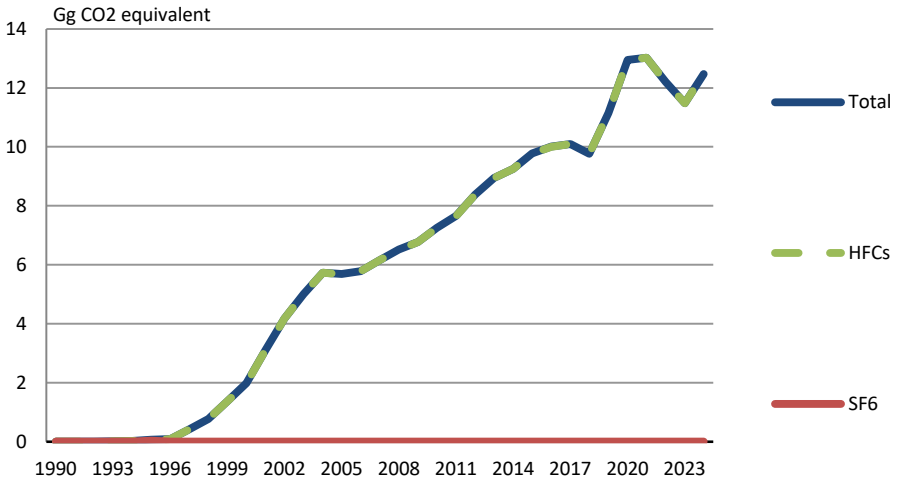


Figure 11.2.9 F-gas emissions, time series for 1990-2024.

11.2.3 Description and interpretation of emission trends by category

Energy

The emission of CO_2 from energy has decreased by 2.9 % from 1990 to 2024. Emissions decreased from 1990 until 1994 due to the implementation of the first hydro power plant. However, since 1994, combustion of fuel has increased continuously causing emissions to increase as well. The reason for this increase was primarily higher demand for transportation and heating. Combustion of fuel

may decrease in certain years due to milder temperatures. However, in 2010 and 2011, emissions increased significantly due to the initation of oil exploration, which caused CO_2 emission from energy to rise abruptly in 2010 and 2011. However, since 2011, oil exploration activities have come to a standstill. At the same time, Greenlands fifth hydro power plant went into operation. In later years, the increasing supply of hydro power has led to a decrease in CO_2 emissions from energy.

Overall emissions of CH_4 from energy have increased by 8.8 % from 1990 to 2024. However, emission of CH_4 from transportation alone has increased by 123.3 % from 1990 to 2024, mainly due to an increase in domestic aviation.

Emission of N_2O has increased by 19.4 % from 1990 to 2024.

Industrial processes and product use

Emissions from industrial processes and product use (consumption of halocarbons and before also SF_6) other than fuel combustion amount to 2.0 % of the total emission in CO_2 equivalents excluding LULUCF in 2024. The main source is consumption of HFCs. Emission of F-gases have increased considerably since 1990.

Agriculture

The agricultural sector contributes with 1.4 % of the total GHG emissions excluding LULUCF in 2024, 39.1 % of the total CH_4 emission and 27.4 % of the total N_2O emission. Total emission from this sector has decreased by 15.2 % from 1990 to 2024. This decrease is caused by a fall in the number of livestock, both sheep and reindeer. However, since 1990 N_2O emission has increased by 89.2 % due to a significantly increase in the use of fertilizers.

LULUCF

Emissions from the LULUCF sector, 1.31 kt CO_2 equivalent amount to just 0.2 % of total emission in 2024. Forests are assumed to be a source for the period 1990-2016. Since 2017 the Greenlandic forests has turned into a small net sink due to a reported slightly higher average height in two forests. In 2024 the net forest sink was 32.4 tonnes CO_2 equivalent. The emission from cropland is estimated to zero in 1990 (as there were no cropland in Greenland at the time) and a net source in 2024 of 48.1 tonnes CO_2 equivalent. The emission from grassland has been estimated to 211 tonnes CO_2 in 1990, increasing to 1,298 tonnes CO_2 equivalent in 2024.

Waste

The waste sector contributes with 2.5 % of the total greenhouse gas emissions in 2024, 50.5 % of the total CH_4 emission and 50.2 % of the total N_2O emission. Total emission from this sector has decreased by 9.5 % since 1990.

Emission from incinerated waste used for heat production is included in the 1A1 IPCC category Energy Industries.

11.2.4 Description and interpretation of emission trends for indirect greenhouse gases and SO_2

NO_X

The largest sources to emission of NO_X are AFF (Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries) followed by Transport and combustion in Energy Industries (public power and district heating plants). The AFF-sector is the most contributing sector to the emission of NO_X. In 2024, 51.2 % of the Greenlandic emission of NO_X

came from AFF-related activities. The emission of NO_X from AFF varies from year to year. The emissions from transport obtain 32.5 % of total emissions in 2024.

From 1990 to 2024, emission of NO_X from AFF has increased by 39.2 %, while emissions from transport have increased by 72.5 %. In the same period, the total emission of NO_X increased by 29.7 %.

The emission from energy industries obtains 6.2 % of total emissions in 2024. The emission from energy industries have decreased by 39.7 % since 1990. The decrease is due to a continuous substitution from fossil fuels to hydro power.

Emission of NO_X from waste handling obtains 0.9 % of total emission in 2024, see Figure 11.2.10.

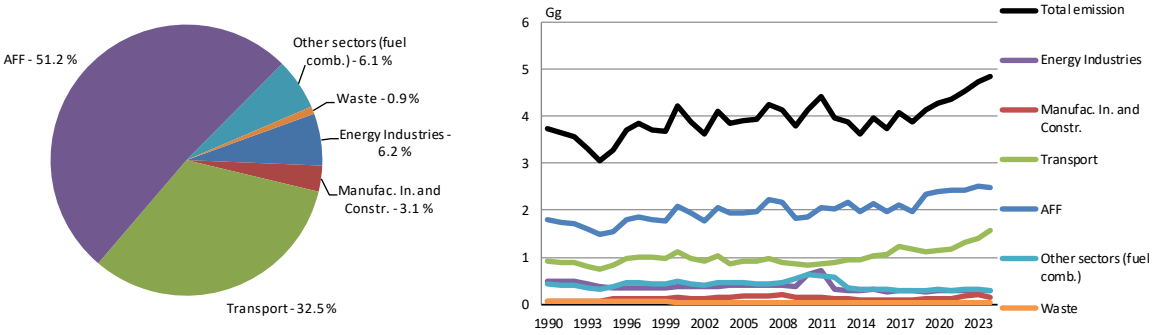


Figure 11.2.10 NO_X emissions. Distribution according to the main sectors (2024) and time series (1990-2024).

CO

Mobile sources like transport and AFF (agriculture, forestry, and fisheries) contribute significantly to the total emission of this pollutant. In 2024 Transport is the largest contributor to the total CO emission, see Figure 11.2.11.

Total CO emission has increased by 45.6 % since 1990, largely due to increasing emissions from road transportation and civil aviation. Emissions from energy industries have been cut by 41.2 % since 1990, while emissions from transport have increased by 136.6 %.

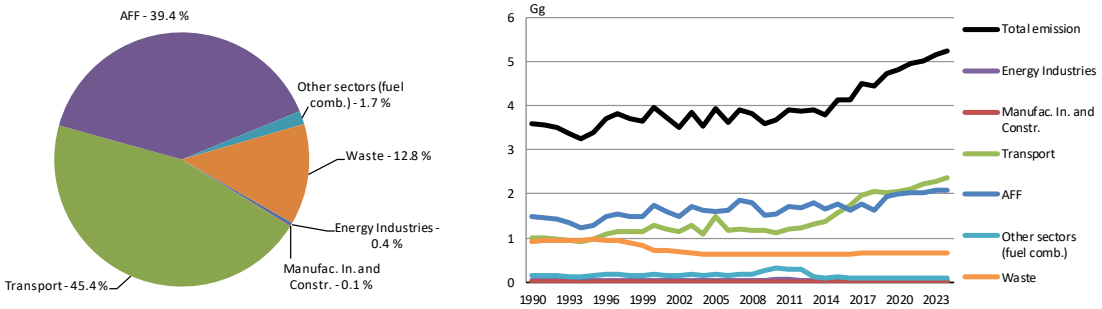


Figure 11.2.11 CO emissions. Distribution according to the main sectors (2024), and time series (1990-2024).

NMVOC

The emissions of NMVOC originate from many different sources and can be divided into two main groups: incomplete combustion and evaporation. Road vehicles and other mobile sources such as national navigation vessels, fishing vessels and off-road machinery are the main sources of NMVOC emissions from incomplete combustion processes. Road transportation and fishing vessels are the main contributors to this pollutant. Road transportation is included

under transportation, which obtains 41.8 % of total NMVOC emission in 2024. Fishing vessels are included under AFF (agriculture, forestry, and fisheries), which obtain 36.5 % of total NMVOC emission in 2023, see Figure 11.2.12.

The evaporative emissions mainly originate from the use of solvents and the extraction, handling and storage of oil. Emissions from solvent and other product use are included under Industrial Processes and Product Use. The emission from this sector has increased by 74.4 % from 1990 to 2024.

Total anthropogenic emission of NMVOC has increased by 63.3 % from 1990 to 2024, largely due to the increase in road transportation and AFF activities.

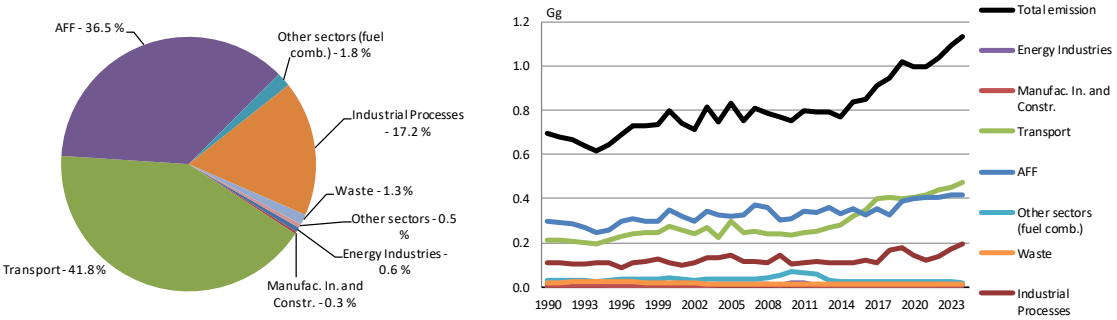


Figure 11.2.12 NMVOC emissions. Distribution according to the main sectors (2024), and time series (1990-2024).

SO_2

The main part of the SO_2 emission originates from the combustion of fossil fuels, mainly gasoil in public power and district heating plants. From 1990 to 2024, total emission of SO_2 decreased by 4.6 %.

Emissions from AFF (Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries) obtain 22.3 % of total SO_2 emission in 2024 followed by Energy Industries with 21.5 %. Emissions from other industrial combustion plants, non-industrial combustion plants and mobile sources are likewise important. Transportation contributed with 15.0 % of total SO_2 emission in 2024.

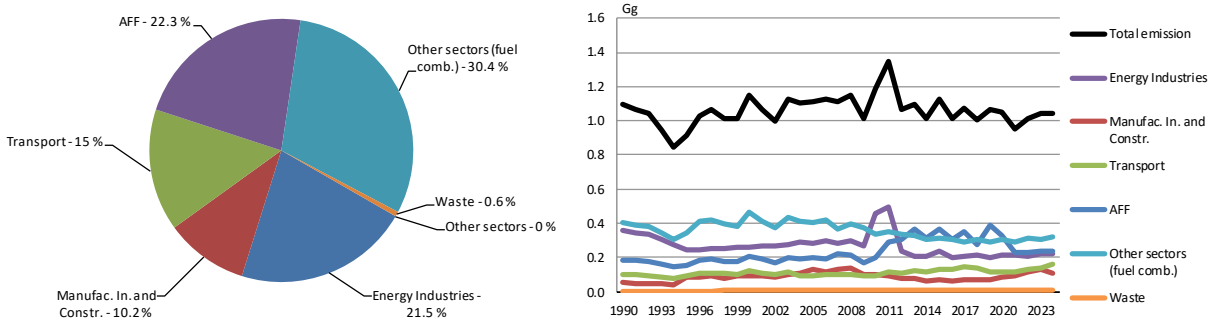


Figure 11.2.13 SO_2 emissions. Distribution according to the main sectors (2024), and time series (1990-2024).

11.3 Energy (CRT sector 1)

11.3.1 Overview of sector

The emission of greenhouse gases from energy activities includes CO_2, CH_4 and N_2O emission from fuel combustion. In 2010, fugitive emissions of CO_2, CH_4 and N_2O occurred for the first time due to the initiation of well drilling and

testing for oil and gas. However, since it has been impossible to obtain any information on the amount of oil and gas picked up during drillings in 2010 and 2011, fugitive emissions have been labelled with the notation key NA.

Emissions from the energy sector are reported in CRT Tables 1.A(a), 1.A(b), 1.A(c), 1.A(d) and 1.B. Furthermore, the emission of non-methane volatile organic compounds (NMVOC), NO_X, CO and SO_2 from fuel combustion is given in CRT Table 1.

Summary tables for the energy sector are shown in Table 11.3.1.

Table 11.3.1 Emission of CO_2 from the Energy Sector.

Greenhouse gas source and sink categories	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
					Gg						
1. Energy	621.6	606.8	592.7	542.8	492.7	531.1	593.6	614.2	593.0	590.7	664.0
A. Fuel Combustion (Sectoral Approach)	621.6	606.8	592.7	542.8	492.7	531.1	593.6	614.2	593.0	590.7	664.0
1 . Energy Industries	182.2	177.0	172.8	156.4	139.9	121.3	121.5	128.7	126.2	128.6	130.4
2 . Manufacturing Industries and Construction	26.4	25.7	25.0	22.6	20.2	44.3	45.0	46.6	40.5	46.3	48.6
3 . Transport	87.1	86.9	85.1	79.7	74.4	84.5	95.9	99.0	104.7	101.8	110.3
4 . Other Sectors	319.7	311.3	303.9	278.7	253.6	274.7	323.9	332.4	314.5	307.0	366.4
5 . Other	6.2	6.0	5.9	5.3	4.7	6.3	7.4	7.5	7.1	6.9	8.2
B . Fugitive Emissions from Fuels	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
C . CO_2 Transport and Storage	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
continued	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
1. Energy	614.5	576.2	646.2	619.4	623.5	640.2	631.8	650.3	574.0	657.4	701.6
A. Fuel Combustion (Sectoral Approach)	614.5	576.2	646.2	619.4	623.5	640.2	631.8	650.3	574.0	657.4	701.6
1 . Energy Industries	133.8	134.4	135.9	142.8	140.9	147.9	140.3	149.0	131.4	231.4	255.6
2 . Manufacturing Industries and Construction	46.0	43.5	50.1	58.2	66.9	61.2	68.3	72.7	51.2	52.0	50.0
3 . Transport	96.9	90.5	101.2	76.4	80.9	86.4	89.0	85.9	82.1	77.1	79.8
4 . Other Sectors	330.8	301.2	351.4	334.8	327.1	338.3	326.3	334.0	294.7	276.8	298.3
5 . Other	7.0	6.5	7.5	7.2	7.7	6.5	7.9	8.7	14.5	20.1	17.8
B . Fugitive Emissions from Fuels	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NA	NA
C . CO_2 Transport and Storage	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
continued	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
1. Energy	543.4	527.5	498.9	543.9	505.5	532.2	520.0	522.3	545.9	542.7	583.6
A. Fuel Combustion (Sectoral Approach)	543.4	527.5	498.9	543.9	505.5	532.2	520.0	522.3	545.9	542.7	583.6
1 . Energy Industries	114.7	99.8	100.7	116.1	96.9	99.9	103.7	96.6	102.7	103.6	100.7
2 . Manufacturing Industries and Construction	40.3	39.0	33.2	37.4	32.8	37.0	36.5	37.7	45.6	47.2	60.4
3 . Transport	84.2	81.0	81.2	90.7	91.7	106.4	94.3	90.8	88.1	88.8	107.6
4 . Other Sectors	287.0	302.2	279.7	294.8	280.0	285.2	281.6	293.3	305.4	298.9	310.9
5 . Other	17.2	5.4	4.1	4.8	4.1	3.6	3.8	3.9	4.1	4.3	3.9
B . Fugitive Emissions from Fuels	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
C . CO_2 Transport and Storage	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
continued	2023	2024									
1. Energy	605.3	602.8									
A. Fuel Combustion (Sectoral Approach)	605.3	602.8									
1 . Energy Industries	106.3	108.6									
2 . Manufacturing Industries and Construction	69.7	55.6									
3 . Transport	113.0	120.9									
4 . Other Sectors	312.2	314.4									
5 . Other	4.1	3.3									
B . Fugitive Emissions from Fuels	NO	NO									
C . CO_2 Transport and Storage	NO	NO									

Table 11.3.2 Emission of CH_4 from the Energy Sector.

Greenhouse gas source and sink categories	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
					Gg						
1. Energy	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.06
A. Fuel Combustion (Sectoral Approach)	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.06
1 . Energy Industries	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01
2 . Manufacturing Industries and Construction	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 . Transport	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01
4 . Other Sectors	0.04	0.04	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.03	0.04
5 . Other	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
B . Fugitive Emissions from Fuels	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
continued	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
1. Energy	0.05	0.05	0.06	0.05	0.06	0.06	0.05	0.06	0.05	0.05	0.06
A. Fuel Combustion (Sectoral Approach)	0.05	0.05	0.06	0.05	0.06	0.06	0.05	0.06	0.05	0.05	0.06
1 . Energy Industries	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.02
2 . Manufacturing Industries and Construction	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 . Transport	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
4 . Other Sectors	0.04	0.03	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.03	0.03	0.03
5 . Other	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
B . Fugitive Emissions from Fuels	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NA	NA
continued	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
1. Energy	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05
A. Fuel Combustion (Sectoral Approach)	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05
1 . Energy Industries	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01
2 . Manufacturing Industries and Construction	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 . Transport	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01
4 . Other Sectors	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03
5 . Other	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
B . Fugitive Emissions from Fuels	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
continued	2023	2024									
1. Energy	0.05	0.05									
A. Fuel Combustion (Sectoral Approach)	0.05	0.05									
1 . Energy Industries	0.01	0.01									
2 . Manufacturing Industries and Construction	0.00	0.00									
3 . Transport	0.01	0.01									
4 . Other Sectors	0.03	0.03									
5 . Other	0.00	0.00									
B . Fugitive Emissions from Fuels	NO	NO									

Table 11.3.3 Emission of N_2O from the Energy Sector.

Greenhouse gas source and sink categories	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
					Gg						
1. Energy	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01
A. Fuel Combustion (Sectoral Approach)	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01
1 . Energy Industries	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2 . Manufacturing Industries and Construction	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 . Transport	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
4 . Other Sectors	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
5 . Other	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
B . Fugitive Emissions from Fuels	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
continued	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
1. Energy	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01
A. Fuel Combustion (Sectoral Approach)	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01
1 . Energy Industries	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2 . Manufacturing Industries and Construction	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 . Transport	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
4 . Other Sectors	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
5 . Other	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
B . Fugitive Emissions from Fuels	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NA	NA
continued	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
1. Energy	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01
A. Fuel Combustion (Sectoral Approach)	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01
1 . Energy Industries	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2 . Manufacturing Industries and Construction	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 . Transport	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
4 . Other Sectors	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
5 . Other	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
B . Fugitive Emissions from Fuels	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
continued	2023	2024									
1. Energy	0.01	0.01									
A. Fuel Combustion (Sectoral Approach)	0.01	0.01									
1 . Energy Industries	0.00	0.00									
2 . Manufacturing Industries and Construction	0.00	0.00									
3 . Transport	0.00	0.00									
4 . Other Sectors	0.00	0.00									
5 . Other	0.00	0.00									
B . Fugitive Emissions from Fuels	NO	NO									

11.3.2 Source category description

In this section emission source categories, fuel consumption data and emission data are presented.

Activity data on fuel consumption is based on the same methology that Statistic Greenland has used to the annual statistics on energy previously published by Statistics Greenland and information on waste incineration with energy recovery. Annual statistics on energy is divided into sectors according to the Greenlandic Business Register (GB2018). The register comprises 745 business categories. Official statistics on energy are published by aggregation into 34 categories.

In the Greenlandic emission data, all activity rates and emissions are based on the official statistics on energy. However, to fit the CRT format fuel consumption from the official statistics on energy is further aggregated into 19 sectors.

Fuel combustion

In 2024, total fuel combustion was 8,412 TJ of which 8,2179 TJ was liquid fossil fuels.

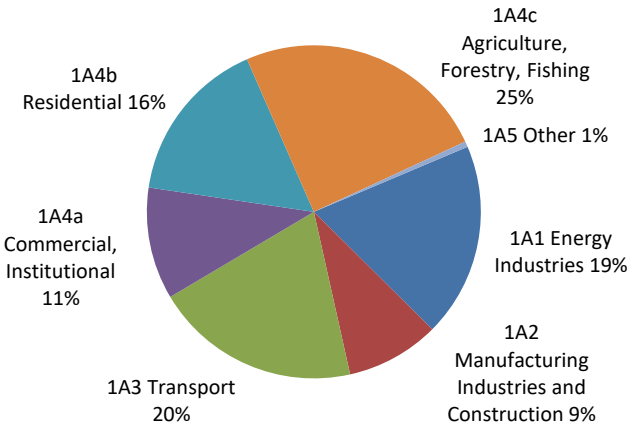


Figure 11.3.1 Fuel combustion rates, fossil fuels 2024 (Statistics Greenland).

In Greenland gasoil, kerosene and gasoline are used in fuel combustion. Fueloil was imported from 2010 to 2019 and combusted in ships. Gasoil and kerosene are the most utilised fuels. Gasoil is used in power plants to produce electricity and heat, as well as in district heating, private households, industries and for transportation. In 2010 and 2011 the combustion of gasoil increased significantly due to oil explorations. Due to a standstill in oil explorations total fuel combustion dropped again in 2012.

Kerosene is primarily used in aviation as jetfuel, but also for heating in minor settlements. Please notice that from the previous 2025 submission, emission from international aviation bunkers is calculated and submitted under 1.D. Memo items.

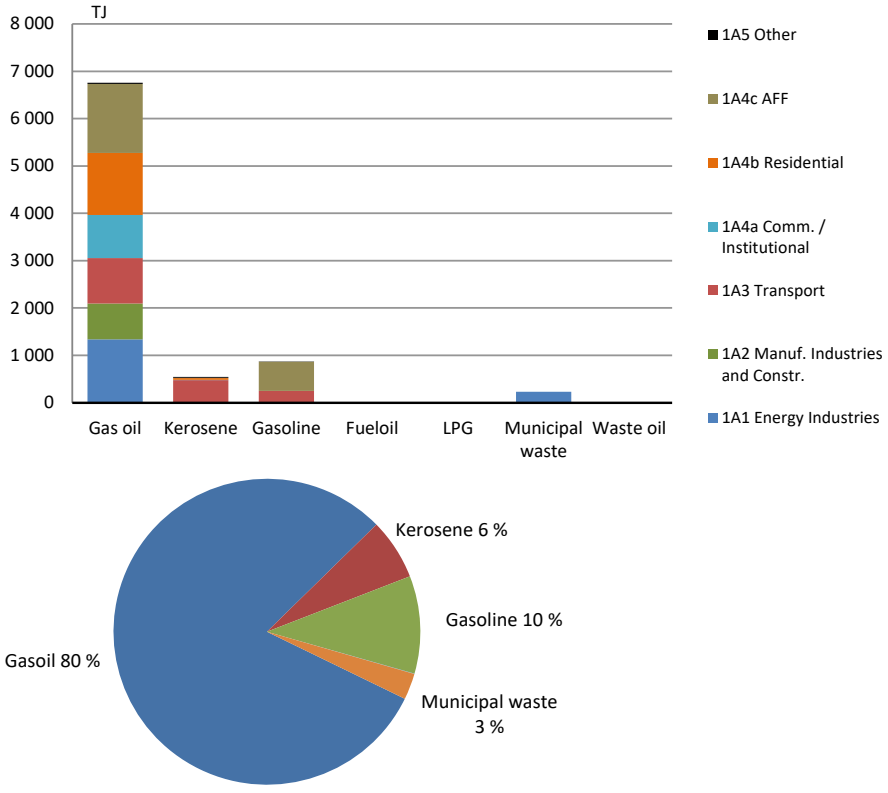


Figure 11.3.2 Fuel combustion, 2024 (Statistics Greenland).

Time series on fuel consumption are presented in Figure 11.3.3. Total fuel consumption has decreased by 1.9 % from 1990 to 2024. In 2024, fuel consumption decreased by 0.4 %.

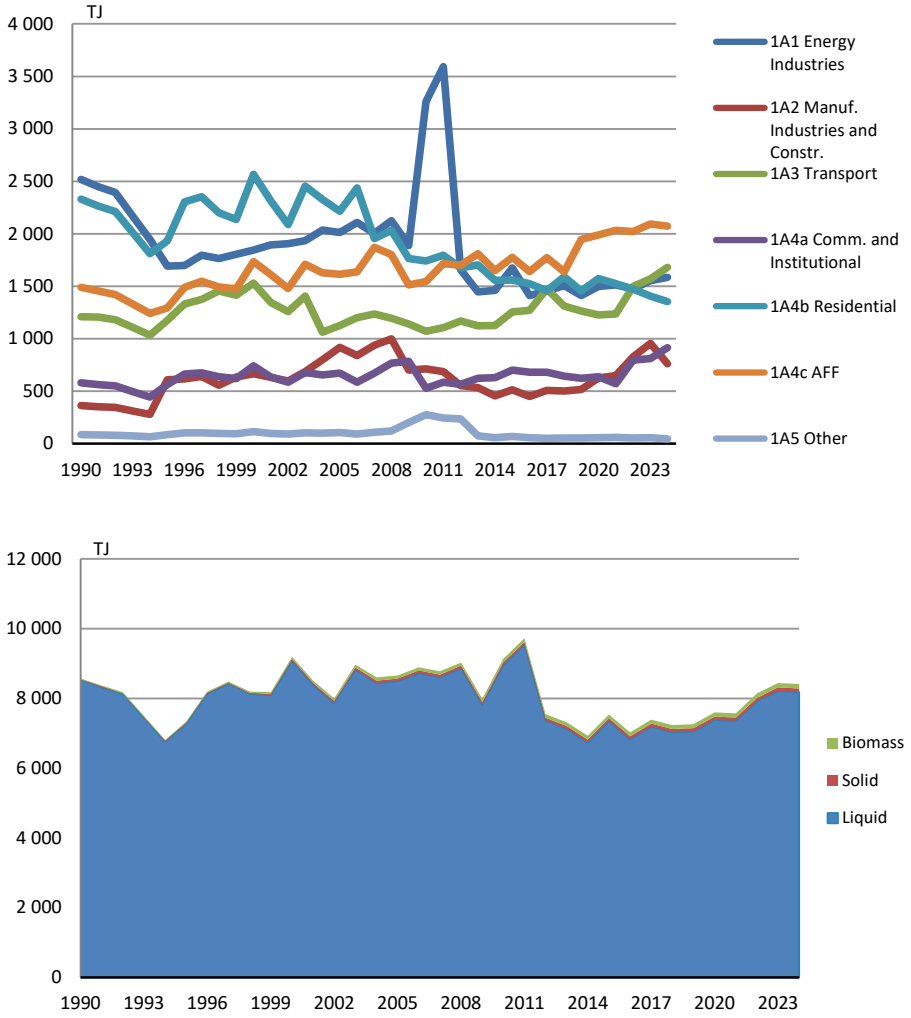


Figure 11.3.3 Fuel consumption time series 1990-2024 (Statistics Greenland).

Fuel consumption is dominated by liquid fuels e.g., gasoil, kerosene and gasoline. In 2024 total fuel consumption consists of 97.2 % liquid fuels, 1.5 % biomass and 1.2 % solid fuels.

Fuel consumption regarding Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (AFF) accounted for 24.6 % of total fuel sonsumption in 2024, making AFF the largest energy consuming sector. Before 2004, time series on fuel combustion in this sector varied a great deal due to fluctuations in fishing activities from year to year. However, some uncertainty is expected in the 1990-2003 time series on fuel consumption in Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries.

Fuel consumption in Energy Industries accounted for 18.8 % of total fuel consumption in 2024. Fluctuations in fuel consumption are largely a result of variation in outdoor temperatures from year to year, which also causes fluctuations in fuel consumption in Energy Industries.

Fuel consumption in Transport accounted for 20.0 % of total fuel consumption in 2024, while Residentials accounted for 16.1 %.

For 2004-2024 Statistics Greenland has conducted statistics on energy including detailed information on fuel consumption in businesses and private households; see Section 11.3.3. Compared to the new statistics on energy the historic construction of time series on fuel consumption in 1990-2003 was based on a much simpler method. Some uncertainty is therefore to be expected in the 1990-2003 time series on sector-divided fuel consumption.

Fugitive Emissions from Fuels

Greenland has no coal mines, no offshore activities, no oil refineries, no natural gas transmission, or distribution. For that reason, there have been no fugitive emissions from such activities in 1990-2009. However, in 2010 a Scottish company initiated a search for oil along the westcoast of Greenland. Three wells were drilled and tested in 2010. Five wells in 2011. There has been no drilling activitiy since 2011.

In the 2014 National Inventory Report calculation of fugitive emission was based on the annual number of drilled and tested wells and IPCC Guideline emission factors. As from the 2015 National Inventory Report, fugitive emission is to be based on the amount of drilled oil and gas and IPCC Guideline emission factors.

However, the Scottish company has not been able to provide the Greenland Government with any information on the amount of oil and gas picked up during drillings in 2010 and 2011. To our knowledge the Scottish company only discovered a few minor kicks with some minor inflow of water or gas during drillings.

With no data available, activity data in 2010 and 2011 has been marked with the notation key Not Applicable (NA). Since no amounts could be estimated, all fugitive emissions are assumed to be zero and marked with the notation key Not Applicable (NA). This decision has been made in agreement with the DCE.

Besides energy production, some fugitive emission occurs in the distribution of fuel e.g., when refuelling from ships to onshore tanks, onshore loading of fuel to ships and offshore loading of ships. The emission would only be in the form of NMVOC. The fugitive emission from loading/unloading of ships is currently not estimated.

International bunker fuels

International Aviation Bunkers

Emissions from international aviation bunkers are included from 2004 and onwards. Before 2004, international aviation bunkers are considered to be of negligible importance. Emissions from international aviation bunkers are therefore no longer included as part of the IPCC category 1A3a Domestic aviation, but instead as part of 1.D. Memo items.

International Navigation Bunkers

Emission from international marine bunkers is included from 2004 and onwards. Before 2004 international marine bunkers are considered to be of neglible importance.

Feedstocks, reductants and other non-energy use of fuels

Greenland has no production or use of feedstocks. Emissions from non-energy use of fuels (e.g., bitumen and solvents) are included in the sector Industrial Processes and Product Use (CRT sector 2).

11.3.3 Methodological issues

Activity data

The Greenlandic emission inventory for fuel combustion has been performed according to the IPCC tier 1 methodology. The inventory is based on activity data from the Greenlandic energy statistics and on emission factors for different fuels, plants, and sectors.

Total fuel combustion is based on data from Polaroil, Air BP, Greenland Airports - Mittarfeqarfiit A/S, and Malik Supply A/S. Polaroil imports and distributes fuel in all parts of Greenland. Air BP imports and distributes fuel in Kangerlussuaq. Greenland Airports - Mittarfeqarfiit distributes jet fuel. Malik Supply A/S, a Danish company, re-distributes fuel bought from Polaroil to Greenlandic trawlers, ships etc. By using detailed data from Polaroil, Air BP and Malik Supply A/S it is possible to determine total import, total export, total international bunkers, and total domestic fuel combustion.

Domestic fuel combustion is divided into business sectors and private households by using data from a survey on energy consumption, company specific sales data from Polaroil and local fuel distributors, relevant tax accounting and by estimation.

Since 2008 Statistics Greenland has conducted an annual survey among larger companies. By completing a questionnaire each company returns detailed information on annual consumption of specific types of fuel.

By using detailed information on sales from Polaroil and local fuel distributors it is possible to determine fuel combustion in private businesses and public offices with an automatic deal on supply.

Tax accountings in DKK are used to determine annual consumption of fuel in private businesses, in municipalities, and within the Greenland Government. Tax accountings are primarily used for determining fuel combustion in municipalities and public offices in settlements.

Fuel combustion in private households is estimated using detailed information from several local fuel distributors. Fuel deliveries are registered by buildings. In Greenland each building has a unique number registered in the Greenlandic Area Register (NIN). By combining the NIN-register and the CVR-register (see above) with statistics on housing and population each building is labelled *private household* or located to a sector describing the main activity in the building. This new building-sector register, completed annually, is used extensively to determine the buyer of fuel delivered by Polaroil or local fuel distributors.

Fuel combustion in road traffic is based on a model designed by Statistics Greenland. The model contains data on the vehicle stock obtained from the Greenland Police Department's register on engine data. The vehicles are divided into broad categories of type e.g., personal car, lorry, taxi, truck, ambulance, motorbike etc. Each category is assigned with ratios on fuel type and mileage. Input data on mileage is derived from an annual survey among businesses and private road traffic in 2008-2024. Each vehicle is divided into business categories or labelled *private vehicle* according to the owner. For each group the emissions are estimated by combining vehicle and annual mileage numbers with standard emission factors according to the type of fuel. The model does not take cold start or hot engines into account.

For air traffic annual emissions are based on activity data from Air Greenland A/S and sales data from the Greenland Airports - Mittarfeqarfiit A/S. For navigation, ferries and freight, annual emissions are based on activity data from Royal Arctic Line A/S (freight), Royal Arctic Tankers A/S (freight) and Arctic Umiaq Line A/S (passengers).

The procedure described above is used to determine fuel combustion in sectors and private households during the period 2004-2024. Formerly, the period 1990-2003, activity data on sectors and private households were estimated using aggregated statistics on population, housing, companies, data on sales from Polaroil, and data on energy consumption in larger companies.

An increasing part of municipal waste incineration is utilised for heat and power production. Thus, incineration with energy-recovery is included in the Energy sector. Table 11.3.4 shows the activity data on fuel combustion for the period 1990-2024.

Table 11.3.4 Activity data on fuel combustion (SINK categories).

	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
					TJ					
Total	8 572	8 370	8 179	7 496	6 812	7 342	8 201	8 486	8 201	8 178
Energy industries	2 519	2 447	2 393	2 169	1 944	1 692	1 696	1 795	1 762	1 805
Manufacturing industries and construction	363	352	344	310	277	607	617	639	556	635
Domestic aviation	540	555	546	522	498	580	635	659	773	746
Road transport	343	335	327	303	278	320	370	381	366	360
Domestic navigation	324	316	308	282	256	274	325	334	316	309
Commercial/Institutional	580	563	549	496	442	561	664	676	638	618
Residential	2 329	2 264	2 212	2 011	1 811	1 931	2 303	2 352	2 201	2 135
AFF	1 489	1 456	1 421	1 330	1 240	1 292	1 489	1 546	1 492	1 475
Other	85	82	80	73	65	86	102	103	98	95
continued	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Total	9 199	8 521	8 002	8 970	8 603	8 661	8 895	8 780	9 035	7 991
Energy industries	1 846	1 893	1 907	1 935	2 036	2 011	2 107	2 005	2 126	1 887
Manufacturing industries and construction	667	630	597	687	798	917	839	937	997	702
Domestic aviation	736	631	602	644	436	436	511	528	528	474
Road transport	424	380	352	404	282	342	354	355	383	369
Domestic navigation	370	336	304	357	342	349	334	353	282	296
Commercial/Institutional	740	633	586	677	655	672	584	671	766	785
Residential	2 568	2 313	2 087	2 453	2 328	2 216	2 438	1 954	2 034	1 764
AFF	1 734	1 609	1 478	1 709	1 627	1 614	1 637	1 870	1 801	1 514
Other	113	96	90	103	99	105	89	108	119	199
continued	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Total	9 134	9 726	7 551	7 316	6 931	7 544	7 030	7 395	7 238	7 265
Energy industries	3 261	3 594	1 657	1 447	1 461	1 673	1 411	1 454	1 507	1 412
Manufacturing and construction	713	687	552	534	456	513	450	508	501	517
Domestic aviation	462	454	516	406	401	421	443	533	366	369
Road transport	302	325	327	346	353	454	411	430	444	436
National navigation	307	325	325	370	369	382	417	512	499	458
Commercial/Institutional	527	586	564	623	629	702	680	680	643	622
Residential	1 741	1 797	1 673	1 704	1 557	1 558	1 524	1 457	1 590	1 454
AFF	1 545	1 714	1 700	1 811	1 649	1 776	1 638	1 771	1 637	1 944
Other	276	245	237	75	56	66	57	50	52	54
continued	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024					
Total	7 601	7 579	8 143	8 444	8 412					
Energy industries	1 497	1 511	1 474	1 551	1 585					
Manufacturing and construction	625	647	828	955	762					
Domestic aviation	299	291	466	494	473					
Road transport	452	447	497	486	488					
National navigation	474	498	534	591	718					
Commercial/Institutional	636	570	795	810	914					
Residential	1 572	1 523	1 473	1 406	1 354					
AFF	1 990	2 032	2 022	2 092	2 072					
Other	56	59	54	57	46					

Emission factors

The CO_2 emission factors applied are presented in Table 11.3.5. For liquid fossil fuels and the biomass part of municipal waste the same emission factor is applied for 1990-2024. Default emission factors are used for all liquid fossil fuels except for gasoil.

In 2013, a technical analysis was conducted on the arctic gasoil that is by far the most dominant type of fuel in Greenland. The analysis was conducted by the

Danish Technological Institute to gain a country specific emission factor on the Greenlandic gasoil, see Table 11.3.5 and Section 11.3.7 for further details.

In reporting to the Climate Convention, the CO_2 emission is aggregated into three types of fuel: Liquid fuel, Biomass and Other fuel.

The CO_2 emission from incineration of municipal waste with energy-recovery is divided into two parts: The emission from combustion of the fossil content of waste, which is included in the Greenlandic total, and the emission from combustion of the rest of the waste – the biomass part, which is reported as a memo item.

In the IPCC reporting, the fossil part of the waste and the associated emissions from fuel combustion of the plastic content of the waste is reported in the fuel category, *Other fuels*. Greenland uses the Danish emission factors on municipal waste, which have been revised recently due to new information. The time series for the fossil CO_2 emission factor for municipal waste is shown in Table 11.3.5, see chapter 3 for description.

Table 11.3.5 CO_2 emission factors 1990-2024.

Fuel	Year	Emission factor	Unit	Reference type	IPCC fuel category
Gasoil	-	72.967	kg pr GJ	Country specific	Liquid
Kerosene	-	71.900	kg pr GJ	IPCC 2006	Liquid
Jet-Kerosene	-	71.500	kg pr GJ	IPCC 2006	Liquid
Gasoline	-	69.300	kg pr GJ	IPCC 2006	Liquid
Fueloil	-	77.400	kg pr GJ	IPCC 2006	Liquid
LPG	-	63.100	kg pr GJ	IPCC 2006	Liquid
Wasteoil	-	77.400	kg pr GJ	IPCC 2006	Liquid
Municipal waste – biomass	-	75.100	kg pr GJ	Country specific	Biomass
Municipal waste – fossil fuel	1990-2010	37.000	kg pr GJ	Country specific	Other fuels
Municipal waste – fossil fuel	2011	37.500	kg pr GJ	Country specific	Other fuels
Municipal waste – fossil fuel	2012	40.000	kg pr GJ	Country specific	Other fuels
Municipal waste – fossil fuel	2013-2024	42.500	kg pr GJ	Country specific	Other fuels

The CO_2 emission from gasoil has been calculated by using the same methodology as described in the IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006). This methodology implies use of C content per fuel type (default) and fraction of carbon oxidised (default); see the equation below.

$$E_{CO_2} = \sum Act_a \times EF_{C,a} \times Ox \times 44/12$$

where:

Act_a = activity; consumption of fuel a

$EF_{C,a}$ = C emission factor for fuel a

Ox = oxidation factor (by default equal to 1)

The emissions of CH_4, N_2O, NO_X, CO and NMVOC have been calculated at sector/fuel level by using IPCC default emission factors combined with measured/Danish EF waste incineration (with energy recovery), see Table 11.3.6 – Table 11.3.8 below.

The equation applied for each pollutant is:

$$E = \sum (EF_{ab} \times Act_{ab})$$

where:

EF = emission factor

Act = activity; fuel input
a = fuel type
b = sector activity

CH_4

The CH_4 emission factors applied for 1990-2024 are presented in Table 11.3.6. Emission factors for municipal waste refer to emission measurements carried out in Danish plants (Nielsen et al., 2010). Other emission factors refer to the IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006).

Table 11.3.6 CH_4 emission factors 1990-2024.

		Liquid fuel						Bio-mass	Other fuel
	CRT sector	Gasoil	Kerosene	Gasoline	Fueloil	LPG	Wasteoil	Municipal waste	
		g CH_4 per GJ							
1A1	Energy Industries	3	3	3	3	1	3	30	30
1A2	Manufacturing Industries and Construction	2	2	2	2	5	-	-	-
1A3a	Transport - Domestic aviation	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	-	-	-	-
1A3b	Transport - Road transportation	3.9	20	25	5	50	-	-	-
1A3d	Transport - Domestic navigation	5	5	5	5	-	-	-	-
1A4a	Other sectors - Commercial, Institutional	10	10	10	10	5	-	-	-
1A4b	Other sectors - Residential	10	10	10	10	5	-	-	-
1A4c	Other sectors - AFF stationary	10	10	10	10	5	-	-	-
1A4c	Other sectors - AFF mobile	5	5	5	5	5	-	-	-
1A5b	Other - Military mobile	5	5	5	5	-	-	-	-

Source:
- IPCC Guidelines 2006: Gasoil, kerosene, gasoline, fueloil, LPG and waste oil.
- Nielsen et al. (2010): Biomass and other fuel, both municipal wastes.

N_2O

The N_2O emission factors applied for 1990-2024 are presented in Table 11.3.7. Emission factors for municipal waste refer to emission measurements carried out in Danish plants (Nielsen et al., 2010). Other emission factors refer to the IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006).

Table 11.3.7 N_2O emission factors 1990-2024.

		Liquid fuel						Bio-mass	Other fuel
	CRT sector	Gasoil	Kerosene	Gasoline	Fueloil	LPG	Wasteoil	Municipal waste	
		g N_2O per GJ							
1A1	Energy Industries	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.1	0.6	4	4
1A2	Manufacturing Industries and Construction	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.1	-	-	-
1A3a	Transport - Domestic aviation	2	2	2	2	-	-	-	-
1A3b	Transport - Road transportation	3.9	0.6	8	0.6	0.1	-	-	-
1A3d	Transport - Domestic navigation	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	-	-	-	-
1A4a	Other sectors	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.1	-	-	-
1A5b	Other - Military mobile	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.1	-	-	-

Source:
- IPCC Guidelines 2006: Gasoil, kerosene, gasoline, fueloil, LPG and waste oil.
- Nielsen et al. (2010): Biomass and other fuel, both municipal wastes.

SO_2, NO_X, NMVOC and CO

Emission factors for SO_2, NO_X, NMVOC and CO are listed in Table 11.3.8. The same emission factors have been applied in the period 1990-2024.

Table 11.3.8 SO_2, NO_X, NMVOC and CO emission factors 1990-2024 (g pr GJ).

Fuel group	Fuel		CRT sector	NO_X	CO	NMVOC	SO_2	Ref
Liquid	Gasoil	1A1	Energy Industries	200	15	5	141	1
		1A2	Manufacturing Industries and Construction	200	10	5	141	1
		1A3a	Transport – Domestic aviation	300	100	50	141	1
		1A3b	Transport – Road transportation	800	1 000	200	141	1
		1A3d	Transport – Domestic navigation	1 500	1 000	200	141	1
		1A4a,b	Other sectors	100	20	5	141	1
		1A4c	Other sectors – AFF stationary	100	20	5	141	1
		1A4c	Other sectors – AFF mobile	1 200	1 000	200	141	1
		1A5b	Other – Military mobile	1 500	1 000	200	141	1
	Kerosene	1A1	Energy Industries	200	15	5	23	1
		1A2	Manufacturing Industries and Construction	200	10	5	23	1
		1A3a	Transport – Domestic aviation	300	100	50	23	1
		1A3b	Transport – Road transportation	600	8 000	1 500	23	1
		1A3d	Transport – Domestic navigation	1 500	1 000	200	23	1
		1A4a,b	Other sectors	100	20	5	23	1
		1A4c	Other sectors – AFF stationary	100	20	5	23	1
		1A4c	Other sectors – AFF mobile	1 200	1 000	200	23	1
		1A5b	Other – Military mobile	1 500	1 000	200	23	1
	Gasoline	1A1	Energy Industries	200	15	5	46	1
		1A2	Manufacturing Industries and Construction	200	10	5	46	1
		1A3a	Transport – Domestic aviation	300	100	50	46	1
		1A3b	Transport – Road transportation	600	8 000	1 500	46	1
		1A3d	Transport – Domestic navigation	1 500	1 000	200	46	1
		1A4a,b	Other sectors	100	20	5	46	1
		1A4c	Other sectors – AFF stationary	100	20	5	46	1
		1A4c	Other sectors – AFF mobile	1 200	1 000	200	46	1
		1A5b	Other – Military mobile	1 500	1 000	200	46	1
	Fueloil	1A1	Energy Industries	200	15	5	492	1
		1A2	Manufacturing Industries and Construction	200	10	5	492	1
		1A3a	Transport – Domestic aviation	300	100	50	492	1
		1A3b	Transport – Road transportation	600	8 000	1 500	492	1
		1A3d	Transport – Domestic navigation	1 500	1 000	200	492	1
		1A4a,b	Other sectors	100	20	5	492	1
		1A4c	Other sectors – AFF stationary	100	20	5	492	1
		1A4c	Other sectors – AFF mobile	1 200	1 000	200	492	1
		1A5b	Other – Military mobile	1 500	1 000	200	492	1
	LPG	1A1	Energy Industries	150	20	5	0.13	1
		1A2	Manufacturing Industries and Construction	150	30	5	0.13	1
		1A3a	Transport – Domestic aviation	-	-	-	-	1
		1A3b	Transport – Road transportation	600	400	5	0.13	1
		1A3d	Transport – Domestic navigation	-	-	-	-	1
		1A4a,b	Other sectors	50	50	5	0.13	1
		1A4c	Other sectors – AFF stationary	50	50	5	0.13	1
		1A4c	Other sectors – AFF mobile	1 000	400	5	0.13	1
		1A5b	Other – Military mobile	-	-	-	-	1
	Wasteoil	1A1	Energy Industries	200	15	5	477	1
Biomass	Municipal waste	1A1	Energy Industries	134	7.4	0.98	138	2
Other fuel	Municipal waste	1A1	Energy Industries	134	7.4	0.98	138	2

Sources: 1) IPCC Guidelines 2006. 2) Nielsen et al., 2010.

11.3.4 Emissions

The greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions are listed in Table 11.3.9. The total emission of greenhouse gases from the energy sector accounts for 93.9 % of total Greenlandic GHG emission in 2024.

CO_2 emission from energy accounts for 99.3 % of the Greenlandic CO_2 emission (excluding net CO_2 emission from Land Use, Land Use Change and Forestry (LULUCF). The CH_4 emission from fuel combustion (Sectoral Approach) accounts for 10.3 % of the Greenlandic emission and the N_2O emission from fuel combustion accounts for 22.0 % of the Greenlandic N_2O emission, see Table 11.3.9.

Table 11.3.9 Greenhouse gas emission 2024.

		CO_2	CH_4	N_2O
		Gg CO_2 equivalent		
1A1	Fuel consumption, Energy Industries	108.6	0.3	0.5
1A2	Fuel consumption, Manufacturing Industries and Construction	55.6	0.0	0.1
1A3	Fuel consumption, Transport	120.9	0.3	1.0
1A4	Fuel consumption, Other sectors	317.7	0.9	0.7
1B	Fugitive emissions from fuel, Oil and natural gas	NO	NO	NO
Total emission from energy		602.8	1.5	2.3
Greenlandic emission (excluding net emission from LULUCF)		607.0	14.9	10.6
			%	
Emission share for energy		99.3	10.3	22.0

CO_2 is the most important GHG pollutant and accounts for 99.4 % of the GHG emission in CO_2 equivalents from energy in 2024, see Figure 11.3.4.

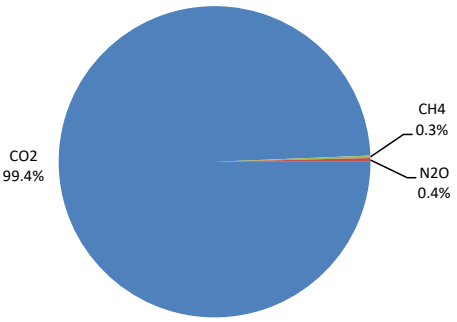


Figure 11.3.4 GHG emissions (CO_2 equivalent) from stationary combustion plants 2024.

Figure 11.3.5 depicts the time series of GHG emission in CO_2 equivalents from the energy sector. As shown by the blue curve the development in total GHG emission follows the CO_2 emission development very closely. Emission of CO_2 and total GHG emission are respectively 3.0 % and 2.9 % lower in 2024 compared to 1990.

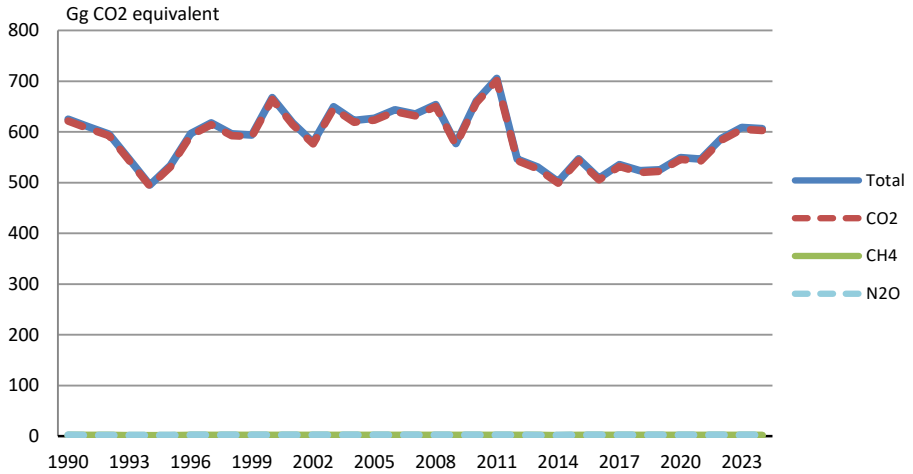


Figure 11.3.5 GHG emission time series for the Energy Sector.

Since 2014 emissions of GHG have more and less stayed level with only minor annual variations. In 2024 GHG emissions were more or less unchanged compared to 2023.

CO_2

CO_2 emission from fuel combustion accounts for 99.3 % of the total Greenlandic CO_2 emission. Table 11.3.10 lists the CO_2 emission inventory for the energy sector in 2024 as well as the relative percentage for each category under the sectoral approach.

Table 11.3.10 reveals that Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (AFF) accounts for 24.7 % of the CO_2 emission. Other large CO_2 emission sources are Transports with a share of 20.1 % and Energy Industries with 18.0 % as well as Residental with 16.4 %. These are sectors, which also account for a considerable share of fuel consumption.

Table 11.3.10 Emission of CO_2 from fuel combustion 2024.

		Gg	%
1A1	Energy Industries	108.6	18.0
1A2	Manufacturing Industries	55.6	9.2
1A3	Transport	120.9	20.1
1A4a	Commercial / Institutional	66.7	11.1
1A4b	Residential	98.8	16.4
1A4c	Agriculture / Forestry / Fisheries	148.9	24.7
1A5	Other	3.3	0.5
1B	Fugitive emissions from fuel	NO	NO
1C	CO_2 Transport and Storage	NO	NO
Total		602.8	100.0

Since biomass fuels are considered CO_2 neutral, CO_2 emission from combustion of biomass fuels is not included in the total CO_2 emission data. The CO_2 emission from biomass combustion is reported as a memo item in the Climate Convention reporting. In 2024, the CO_2 emission from biomass combustion was 17.5 Gg.

Time series for CO_2 emissions are provided in Figure 11.3.6. Since 1990, emission of CO_2 has decreased by 3.0 %. Fluctuations in CO_2 emission from AFF primarily regard fluctuations in fishing activities from year to year. Fluctuations in CO_2 emission from residential plants are largely a result of outdoor temperature variations from year to year. This also causes fluctuations in CO_2

emission from Energy Industries which cover electricity and heat production. However, the significant increase in emission from Energy Industries in 2010 continuing in 2011 is caused by the initiation of oil exploration in 2010, which is reported in the subsector "1.A.1.c.ii. Manufacture of Solid Fuels and Other Energy Industries". Since 2011 there has been no drilling for oil in Greenland.

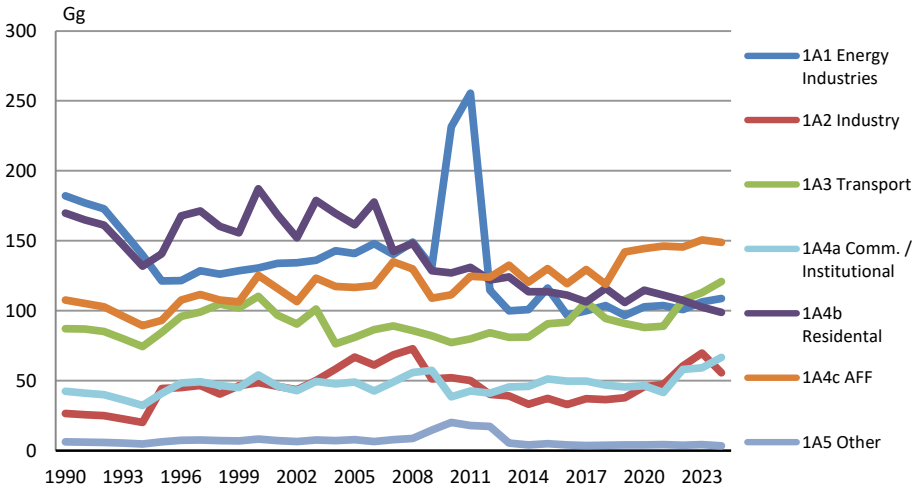


Figure 11.3.6 CO_2 Emission time series for Fuel Combustion (Sectoral Approach).

Detailed trend discussion on CRT category level is available in Section 11.2.

CH_4

CH_4 emission from fuel combustion accounts for 10.3 % of the Greenlandic CH_4 emission. Table 11.3.11 lists the CH_4 emission inventory for energy in 2024. The table reveals that Residentals accounted for 24.6 % of the CH_4 emission from energy in 2024. Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries accounted for 18.9 %, and Energy Industries for 20.1 %.

Table 11.3.11 Emission of CH_4 from fuel combustion 2024.

		Mg	%
1A1	Energy Industries	11.0	20.1
1A2	Industry	1.5	2.8
1A3	Transport	9.1	16.6
1A4a	Commercial / Institutional	9.1	16.6
1A4b	Residential	13.5	24.6
1A4c	Agriculture / Forestry / Fisheries	10.4	18.9
1A5	Other	0.2	0.4
1B	Fugitive emissions from fuel	NO	NO
Total		55.0	100.0

Emission of CH_4 from fuel combustion has increased by 8.8 % since 1990. Time series for CH_4 emissions are provided in Figure 11.3.7. Fluctuations in CH_4 emission from AFF primarily regard fluctuations in fishing activities from year to year. Fluctuations in CH_4 emission from residential plants are largely a result of outdoor temperature variations from year to year. This also causes fluctuations in CH_4 emission from Energy Industries, which cover electricity and heat production and manufacture of solid fuels and other Energy Industries.

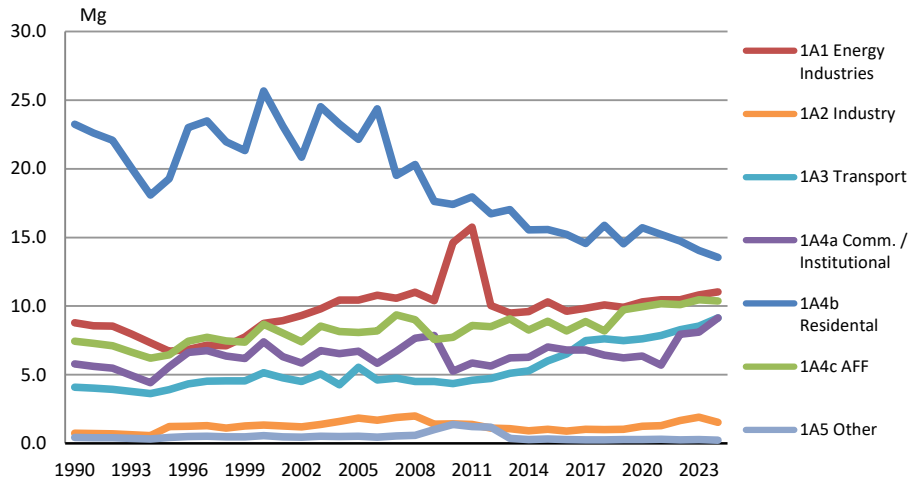


Figure 11.3.7 CH_4 emission time series for energy.

Detailed trend discussion on CRT category level is available in Section 11.2.

N_2O

Emission of N_2O from fuel combustion accounts for 21.9 % of the Greenlandic N_2O emission. Table 11.3.12 lists the N_2O emission inventory for energy in 2024. The table reveals that Transportation accounted for 44.9 % of the N_2O emission from the energy sector while Energy Industries accounted for 19.9 % of the emissions in 2024.

Table 11.3.12 Emission of N_2O from fuel combustion 2024.

		Mg	%
1A1	Energy Industries	1.7	19.9
1A2	Industry	0.5	5.2
1A3	Transport	3.9	44.9
1A4a	Commercial / Institutional	0.5	6.2
1A4b	Residential	0.8	9.3
1A4c	Agriculture / Forestry / Fisheries	1.2	14.2
1A5	Other	0.0	0.3
1B	Fugitive emissions from fuel	NO	NO
Total		8.8	100.0

Figure 11.3.8 shows the time series for the N_2O emission from energy. N_2O emission has increased by 19.4 % from 1990 to 2024.

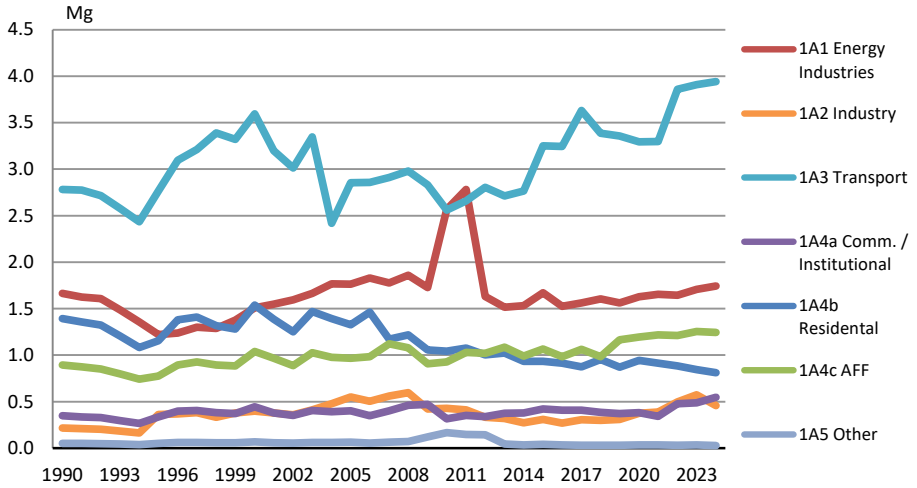


Figure 11.3.8 N_2O emission time series for energy.

Detailed trend discussion on CRT category level is available in Section 11.2.

SO_2, NO_X, NMVOC and CO

The emissions of SO_2, NO_X, NMVOC and CO from energy in 2024 are presented in Table 11.3.13. SO_2 from energy accounts for 99.4 % of the Greenlandic SO_2 emission. NO_X, CO and NMVOC account for 99.1 %, 87.2 % and 81.0 % respectively, of the Greenlandic emissions for these substances.

Table 11.3.13 Emission of SO_2, NO_X, NMVOC and CO from fuel combustion 2024.

	NO_X	CO	NMVOC	SO_2
	Gg	Gg	Gg	Gg
1A1 Fuel consumption, Energy Industries	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.2
1A2 Fuel consumption, Manuf. Industries and Constr.	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.1
1A3 Fuel consumption, Transport	1.6	2.4	0.5	0.2
1A4 Fuel consumption, Other sectors	2.8	2.2	0.4	0.6
1B Fugitive emissions from fuel	NO	NO	NO	NO
Total emission from fuel consumption and fugitive emissions from fuel	4.8	4.6	0.9	1.0
Greenlandic emission	4.9	5.2	1.1	1.0
			%	
Emission share for fuel consumption	99.1	87.2	81.0	99.4

11.3.5 Uncertainties

A tier 1 uncertainty assessment has been carried out in accordance with the IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006). The uncertainty has been estimated for all sources included in the reporting for the energy sector. The uncertainties for the activity data and emission factors are shown in Table 11.3.14.

Table 11.3.14 Uncertainties for activity data and emission factors for the energy sector.

Subsector	Pollutant	Activity data uncertainty	Emission factor uncertainty
1A Liquid fuels	CO_2	3	2
1A Municipal waste	CO_2	3	25
1B2 Oil exploration	CO_2	3	1 000
1A Liquid fuels	CH_4	3	100
1A Municipal waste	CH_4	3	100
1A Biomass	CH_4	3	100
1B2 Oil exploration	CH_4	3	1 000
1A Liquid fuels	N_2O	3	500
1A Municipal waste	N_2O	3	500
1A Biomass	N_2O	3	200
1B2 Oil exploration	N_2O	3	1 000

Regarding uncertainty, the CO_2 emission factors are considered the most certain. Due to a technical analysis a country specific emission factor is available on the Greenlandic gasoil; the dominating liquid fuel. Consequently, the CO_2 emission factor uncertainty has been revised from 5 % to 2 % for liquid fuels. This revision was done in the 2014 submission.

To account for the more inhomogeneous nature of municipal waste the emission factor uncertainty has been set to 25 %. For CH_4 the emission factor uncertainty has been set to 100 % in accordance with the IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006). For N_2O the emission factor uncertainties have been estimated between 200 % and 500 %. This is based on a first estimate and can be improved upon in the future.

Oil exploration has occurred in 2010 and 2011, but not since. However, fugitive emissions have been set to NA since it has been impossible to obtain any information on the amount of oil and gas picked up during drillings in 2010 and 2011.

The resulting uncertainties for the individual greenhouse gases and the total uncertainty on the greenhouse gas emission are shown in Table 11.3.15.

Table 11.3.15 Uncertainties for the emission estimates.

	Uncertainty %	Trend 1990-2024 %	Trend uncertainty %
GHG	± 3.9	- 2.9	± 4.0
CO_2	± 3.6	- 3.0	± 4.1
CH_4	± 88	8.8	± 13.9
N_2O	± 448	19.4	± 54.2

11.3.6 Source specific QA/QC

The elaboration of a formal QA/QC plan is to be completed.

However, the official Greenland energy statistics is continuously going through a great deal of quality work regarding accuracy, comparability and completeness. Statistics Greenland is responsible for the official Greenlandic energy statistics, and as such responsible for the completeness of data. The uncertainties connected with estimating fuel consumption do not influence the coherence between the energy statistics and the datasets used in the emission inventory submission. For the remainder of the datasets, it is assumed that the level of uncertainty is relatively small. See chapter regarding uncertainties for further comments.

Statistics on fuel consumption is reported by Statistics Greenland in form of a spreadsheet. Annual consumption of gasoil, kerosene, gasoline and LPG are divided into business categories and private households. To ensure consistency data are compared with those from previous years and large discrepancies are checked.

All external data used for the emission inventory submission are archived in spreadsheets. Data are archived annually to ensure that the basic data for a given report are always available in their original form.

Safely stored and quality checked activity data are then processes by using a methodological approach consistent with international guidelines.

Calculated emission factors are compared with guideline emission factors to ensure that they are reasonable. The calculations follow the principle in international guidelines.

During data processing, it is checked that calculations are being carried out correctly. However, a documentation plan for this is to be elaborated.

Time-series for activity data, emission factors and calculated emissions are used to identify possible errors in the calculation procedure. In fact, during the calculation, numerous controls take place to ensure correctness. Sums are checked of the various stages in the calculation procedure. Implied emission factors are compared to emission factors.

Every single time-series imported to the CRT Reporter is checked for fuel rate, units for fuel rate, emission factor and plant-specific emissions. Additional checks are performed on the database. The database encloses every single activity data, emission factors, emission, notation key and comment imported to the CRT Reporter. In other words, no information is typed manually into the CRT Reporter. Instead, all information is imported to the CRT Reporter through a .json-file to ensure maximum accuracy and completeness.

Reference approach

In addition to the sector-specific CO_2 emission inventories (the Greenlandic approach), the CO_2 emission is also estimated using the reference approach described in the IPCC Reference manual (IPCC, 2006). The reference approach is based on data for fuel production, import, export and stock change. The CO_2 emission inventory based on the reference approach is reported to the Climate Convention and used for verification of the official data in the Greenlandic approach.

Data on import, export and stock change used in the reference approach originate from the annual "basic data" table prepared by Statistics Greenland. The fraction of carbon oxidised has been assumed to be 1.00. The carbon emission factors are default factors originating from the IPCC Reference Manual (IPCC, 2006). The country-specific emission factors are not used in the reference approach, the approach being for the purposes of verification.

The Climate Convention reporting tables include a comparison of the Greenlandic approach and the reference approach estimates. To make results comparable, the CO_2 emission from incineration of the plastic content of municipal waste is added in the reference approach while the fuel consumption is subtracted.

In 2024 fuel consumption rates in the two approaches differ by 0 % and the CO_2 emission differs by 0.01 %. For the period 1990-2024 the CO_2 emission differs by 0.02 % or less at all times. The differences in energy consumption differs by 0.005 % or less at all times. According to IPCC Good Practice Guidance (IPCC, 2000) the difference should be within 2 %. A comparison of the Greenlandic approach and the reference approach is illustrated in Figure 11.3.9.

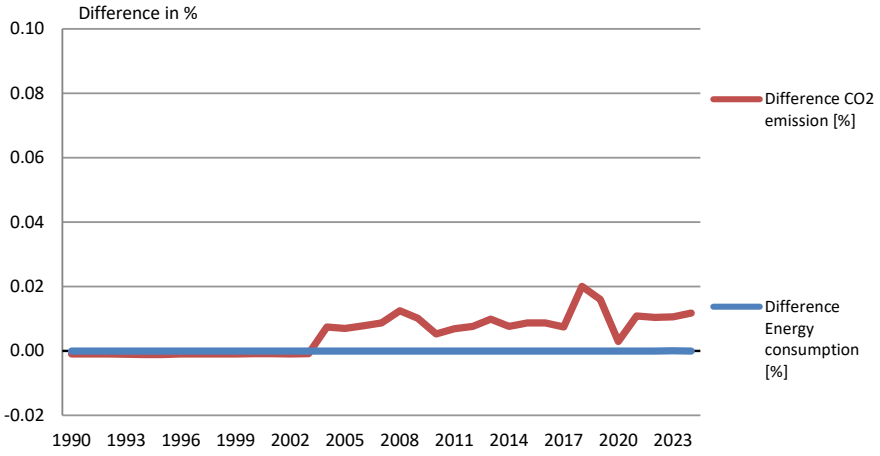


Figure 11.3.9 Comparison of the reference approach and the national approach.

11.3.7 Source specific recalculations and improvements

In this 2026 submission, there have been some minor revisions in the energy sector.

Table 11.3.16 shows recalculations in the energy sector compared to the 2025 submission. Only minor changes occur.

Table 11.3.16 Changes in GHG emission in the energy sector compared to the 2025 submission.

	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
Previous inventory, Gg CO_2 eqv.	625.0	610.1	596.0	545.8	495.5	534.1	597.0	617.7	596.4	594.1
Recalculated, Gg CO_2 eqv.	625.0	610.1	596.0	545.8	495.5	534.1	597.0	617.7	596.4	594.1
Change in Gg CO_2 eqv.	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Change in pct.	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
continued	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Previous inventory, Gg CO_2 eqv.	667.9	618.1	579.6	650.0	623.1	627.2	644.3	635.7	654.3	577.5
Recalculated, Gg CO_2 eqv.	667.9	618.1	579.6	650.0	622.9	627.2	643.9	635.4	654.0	577.4
Change in Gg CO_2 eqv.	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-0.2	-0.1	-0.3	-0.3	-0.3	-0.2
Change in pct.	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0
continued	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Previous inventory, Gg CO_2 eqv.	661.2	705.8	547.1	531.0	502.2	547.6	509.1	535.9	523.7	526.0
Recalculated, Gg CO_2 eqv.	661.0	705.4	546.7	530.7	502.0	547.3	508.8	535.6	523.4	525.7
Change in Gg CO_2 eqv.	-0.2	-0.4	-0.4	-0.3	-0.2	-0.3	-0.3	-0.3	-0.3	-0.3
Change in pct.	0.0	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1	0.0	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1
continued	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024					
Previous inventory, Gg CO_2 eqv.	549.5	546.4	587.5	609.3	-					
Recalculated, Gg CO_2 eqv.	549.4	546.2	587.4	609.1	606.7					
Change in Gg CO_2 eqv.	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1	-					
Change in pct.	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-					

11.3.8 Source specific planned improvements

Some planned improvements to the emission inventories are discussed below.

1) Memo Items, International Aviation Bunkers

As from the previous 2025 submission emissions from international aviation bunkers have been calculated and included under 1.D. Memo Items. Emissions from international aviation bunkers are therefore no longer a part of the IPCC category 1A3a Domestic Aviation.

2) Improved documentation for emission factors

The reporting of, and references for, the applied emission factors have been improved in the current year and will be further developed in future inventories. This will happen on the advice from the Danish National Environmental Research Institute.

3) Improvements in plant specific fuel combustion

Plant specific fuel combustion will be further improved according to the developments made by Statistics Greenland in the energy statistics.

4) Uncertainty estimates

Uncertainty estimates are largely based on the default uncertainty levels for activity rates and emission factors. More country-specific uncertainty estimates will be incorporated in future inventories.

5) Country specific emission factors

Statistics Greenland has acquired a technical analysis on the gasoil that is imported to and used in Greenland. The technical analysis conducted by the Danish Techinal Institute has provided a country specific emission factor on the

Greenlandic gasoil. Due to this technical analysis a new country specific emission factor on gas oil was implemented as from the 2014 submission. The arctic grade gas oil stands for aproxx. 80 % of all liquid fuels in 2024.

The plan is to obtain additional country specific emission factors on other liquid fuels, but only if the UNFCCC recommend it as in the case of the Greenlandic gasoil.

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11.4 Industrial Processes and Product Use (CRT sector 2)

11.4.1 Overview of sector

In this chapter the emissions of greenhouse gases from industrial processes and product use, not related to generation of energy, are presented.

The emission of greenhouse gases from industrial processes and product use includes CO_2, HFCs and SF_6. The emissions are reported in CRT Tables 2(I), 2(I).A, 2(II) and 2(II).B. Furthermore, the emission of non-methane volatile organic compounds (NMVOC) and CO from industrial processes related to asphalt roofing, road paving with asphalt and production of food and drink are given in CRT Table 2(I). This section also includes the emissions of CO_2 and NMVOC from use of solvents in industrial processes and households that are related to the former source categories Paint application, degreasing and dry cleaning, chemical products, manufacture and processing and others. Emission of CO_2 and NMVOC from solvent use are reported in CRT Tables 2(I) and 2(I).A.

Solvents are chemical compounds that are used on a global scale in industrial processes and as constituents in final products to dissolve, for example paint, cosmetics, adhesives, ink, rubber, plastic, pesticides, aerosols or are used for cleaning purposes e.g., degreasing. NMVOCs are main components in solvents - and solvent use in industries and households is typically the dominant source of anthropogenic NMVOC emissions. In industrial processes where solvents are produced or used NMVOC emissions to air and as liquid can be recaptured and either used or destroyed. Solvent containing products are used indoor and outdoor and the majority of solvent sooner or later evaporate. A small fraction of the solvents ends up in waste or as emissions to water and may finally also contribute to air pollution by evaporation from these compartments.

In this section the methodology for the Greenland NMVOC emission inventory for solvent use is presented and the results for the period 1990-2024 are summarised. The method is based on the detailed approach described in EMEP/CORINAIR (2019) and emissions are calculated for the CRT sectors mentioned above.

An overview of sources identified is presented in Table 11.4.1 with an indication of the contribution to the industrial part of the emission of greenhouse gases in 2024. Emissions are extracted from the CRT tables.

Table 11.4.1 Overview of greenhouse gas sources 2024.

Process	IPCC Code	Substance	Emission tonnes CO_2 eqv.	%
Mineral Industry				
Limestone and Dolomite Use	2A4	CO_2	11.15	0.1
Non-Energy Products of Fuels and Solvent use				
Paraffin Wax Use	2D2	CO_2	235.62	1.8
Paraffin Wax Use	2D2	CH_4	0.27	0.0
Paraffin Wax Use	2D2	N_2O	0.51	0.0
Solvent Use	2D3	CO_2	491.56	3.7
Road Paving with Asphalt	2D3	CO_2	0.76	0.0
Road Paving with Asphalt	2D3	CH_4	0.40	0.0
Asphalt Roofing	2D3	CO_2	0.09	0.0
Product uses as substitutes for ODS				
Refrigeration and Air Conditioning Equipment	2F1	HFCs	12 464.30	94.4
Other product manufacture and use				
Electrical Equipment	2G	SF_6	NO	NO
Total emission			13 204.67	100.0

The subsector *Product uses as substitutes for ODS* (2F) constitutes 94.4 % of the industrial emission of greenhouse gases in 2024. This reflects the emission of HFCs from refrigeration and air conditioning equipment. The subsector *Non-Energy Products of Fuels and Solvent use* (2D) constitutes 5.5 % of the industrial emission of greenhouse gases. In this subsector we find emissions from paraffin wax use and solvents as well as road paving with asphalt and asphalt roofing.

Limestone is used in cement and the production of concrete. Concrete is one of the common building materials in Greenland. The total emission of greenhouse gases (excl. LULUCF) in Greenland is estimated to 644.94 Gg CO_2 equivalents in 2024, of which industrial processes contribute with 13,205 Gg CO_2 equivalents (2.0 %). The emission of greenhouse gases from industrial processes from 1990-2024 are presented in Figure 11.4.1.

Greenland has no chemical industry, metal production or production of halocarbons or SF_6. Greenland has no consumption of PFCs.

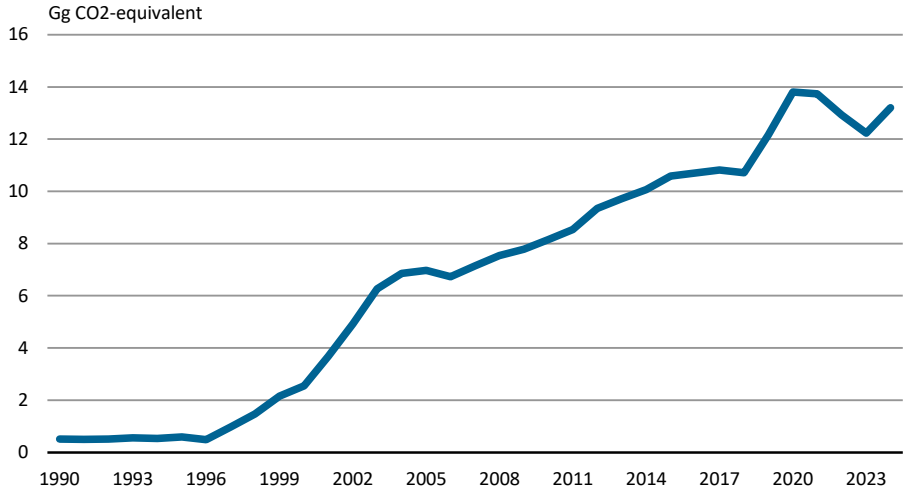


Figure 11.4.1 Emission of greenhouse gases from industrial processes 1990-2024.

The key category in the industrial sector *Consumption of Halocarbons* constitutes 1,9 % of the total emission of greenhouse gases in 2024. The trends in greenhouse gases from the industrial sector and subsectors are presented in Table 11.4.2. The emissions are extracted from the CRT tables.

Table 11.4.2 Emission of GHG from industrial processes and product use in different subsectors from 1990-2024.

	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
CO_2 (tonnes CO_2)										
A. Mineral Industry	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
D. Non-energy products from fuels and solvent use	514	500	507	542	507	531	399	558	697	789
CH_4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.4	0.6	0.6
N_2O	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.4	0.6	0.9	1.0
HFCs (tonnes CO_2 eqv.)										
F. Product uses as ODS substitutes	NE	NE	NE	16	25	30	82	414	769	1 366
PFCs (tonnes CO_2 eqv.)										
F. Product uses as ODS substitutes	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
SF_6 (tonnes CO_2 eqv.)										
G. Other product manufacture and use	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	35.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.2
continued	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
CO_2 (tonnes CO_2)										
A. Mineral Industry	4.0	2.8	1.3	2.6	1.8	0.1	0.0	1.5	3.0	0.0
D. Non-energy products from fuels and solvent use	561	569	740	1 257	1 122	1 280	945	986	1 015	1 004
CH_4	0.4	0.5	0.7	1.4	1.1	1.4	0.9	1.0	1.1	0.9
N_2O	0.7	0.8	1.1	2.1	1.8	2.1	1.6	1.7	1.7	1.5
HFCs (tonnes CO_2 eqv.)										
F. Product uses as ODS substitutes	1 977	3 107	4 176	5 004	5 731	5 682	5 783	6 151	6 511	6 769
PFCs (tonnes CO_2 eqv.)										
F. Product uses as ODS substitutes	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
SF_6 (tonnes CO_2 eqv.)										
G. Other product manufacture and use	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.0	3.0	3.0	2.9
continued	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
CO_2 (tonnes CO_2)										
A. Mineral Industry	4.9	0.0	19.6	0.0	6.6	0.0	0.1	3.2	39.9	130.3
D. Non-energy products from fuels and solvent use	895	876	940	763	805	812	696	718	909	884
CH_4	0.8	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.8	1.0	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.6
N_2O	1.5	1.4	1.5	1.2	1.2	1.3	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.0
HFCs (tonnes CO_2 eqv.)										
F. Product uses as ODS substitutes	7 249	7 651	8 379	8 946	9 250	9 770	10 003	10 094	9 761	11 144
PFCs (tonnes CO_2 eqv.)										
F. Product uses as ODS substitutes	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
SF_6 (tonnes CO_2 eqv.)										
G. Other product manufacture and use	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7
continued	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024					
CO_2 (tonnes CO_2)										
A. Mineral Industry	109.5	54.4	1.1	54.6	11.1					
D. Non-energy products from fuels and solvent use	744	661	717	690	728					
CH_4	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.7					
N_2O	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.6	0.5					
HFCs (tonnes CO_2 eqv.)										
F. Product uses as ODS substitutes	12 944	13 023	12 204	11 480	12 464					
PFCs (tonnes CO_2 eqv.)										
F. Product uses as ODS substitutes	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO					
SF_6 (tonnes CO_2 eqv.)										
G. Other product manufacture and use	2.6	NO	NO	NO	NO					

Greenland has no production of halocarbons or SF_6. Data on consumption of F-gases (HFCs and formerly also SF_6) are obtained from the Statistics Greenland (imports) and by an annual survey on consumption halocarbons and SF_6. Information on consumption of F-gases is available from 1995 onwards. Greenland has no consumption of PFCs.

One single plant in Greenland had a stock of SF_6 ultimo 1995. The emission of SF_6 from this stock was 3.2 tonnes CO_2 equivalents in 1996. Since 1996, there has been an annual emission from this stock. However, there has been no consumption of SF_6 in Greenland.

In December 2015, Statistics Greenland aqquired the following information from Nukissiorfiit; the main supplier of electricity and heat in Greenland: Acording to Nukissiorfiit the switchgears in all netstations were changed from regular switches without gas to gaseous switches containing SF_6 in 2002-2004. The new gaseous switchgears from Spanish Ormazabal are closed and sealed switches that do not need any filling of gas. For that reason, the switchgears are considered to be completely tight with no leaks of gas. When Nukissiorfiit replace the gaseous Ormazabal switches the switchgears are returned directly to Ormazabal in Spain where the SF_6 within the switch are recycled.

Due to this information the Greenlandic switchgears in plants and netstations containing SF_6 are considered to be completely free from leaks from 2005 an onwards. This consideration is supported by the fact that Nukissiorfiit has not been buying any SF_6 for stockpiling or filling for many years and today has no record of any SF_6 in stock at all.

However, for the sake of good practice it was decided to keep the SF_6-plant from 1995 within this material for at least 25 full years, which in 1995 was considered to be the lifetime of that specific switchgear. Due to that decision the plant and the estimated emission of SF_6 from that plant has been left in the material up to and including 2020, which is the last year in the current model.

Energy consumption associated with industrial processes and emissions thereof are included in the Energy sector of the inventory.

11.4.2 Source category description

Mineral Industry

The subsector *Mineral Industry* (2A) covers the following processes:

- 2A4d Limestone and dolomite use.

Emission from limestone and dolomite use are presented in the CRT sector 2A.4d under 2A.4 Other Process Uses of Carbonates. The time series for the emission of CO_2 from Mineral industry (2A) is presented in Table 11.4.3. The emissions are extracted from the CRT tables, and the values are rounded.

Table 11.4.3 Emission of CO_2 (tonnes) from Mineral Industry (2A).

	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
4d Limestone and dolomite use	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
continued	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
4d Limestone and dolomite use	4.0	2.8	1.3	2.6	1.8	0.1	0.0	1.5	3.0	0.0
continued	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
4d Limestone and dolomite use	4.9	0.0	19.6	0.0	6.6	0.0	0.1	3.2	39.9	130.3
continued	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024					
4d Limestone and dolomite use	109.5	54.4	1.1	54.6	11.1					

The use of limestone and dolomite started in 2000. Hence there is no emission from limestone and dolomite use before 2000. The use of limestone and dolomite has been estimated from the annual import of these products to Greenland. Imports seem to vary a great deal from year to year, which causes the estimated

use to vary as well. Import of dolomite has increased greatly since 2018 due to large-scale construction activities, primarily new airports, harbours etc.

The CO_2 emission from subsectors under Mineral Industry fluctuates a great deal from year to year, as seen in Figure 11.4.2. This is caused by fluctuations in activities from year to year. However, fluctuations in CO_2 are primarily caused by the fact that activity data for Mineral Industry are based on import data, which do not allow distinction of imported amount into consumption and stockpiling.

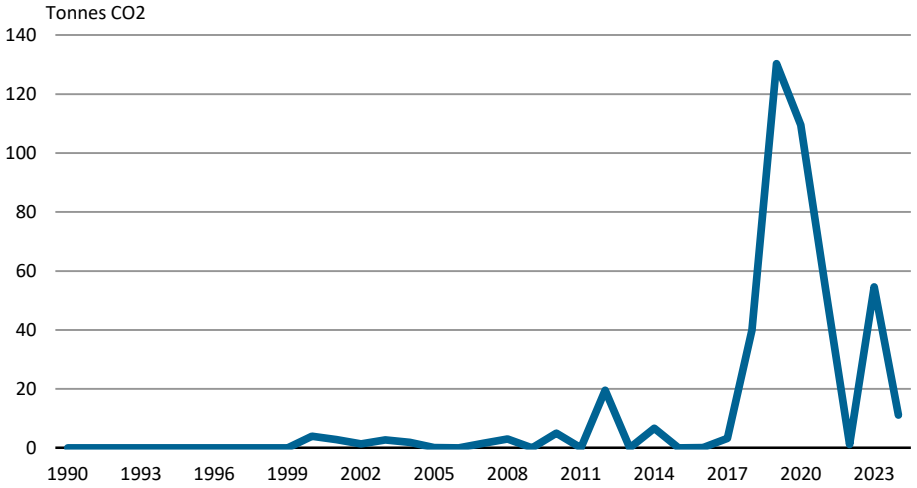


Figure 11.4.2 Emission of CO_2 from Mineral Industry 1990-2024.

Non-energy Products from Fuels and Solvent Use

The subsector *Non-energy Products from Fuels and Solvent Use* (2D) covers the following processes:

- 2D2 Paraffin Wax Use.
- 2D3 Solvent Use.
- 2D3 Road paving with asphalt.
- 2D3 Asphalt roofing.

Emissions from paraffin wax use are presented in the CRT 2D.2 subsector Paraffin Wax Use, while emissions from solvent use, road paving with asphalt and roof covering with asphalt materials are specified separately in the CRT 2D.3 subsector Other. The time series for the emission of CO_2 from Non-energy Products from Fuels and Solvent Use (2D) are presented in Table 11.4.4. The emissions are extracted from the CRT tables, and the values are rounded.

Table 11.4.4 Emission of greenhouse gases from Non-energy Products from Fuels and Solvent Use (2D), tonnes CO_2 eqv.

	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
2. Paraffin Wax Use	251.5	241.2	250.3	279.7	231.9	254.5	189.7	295.6	426.8	480.0
3a. Solvent Use	263.4	259.7	257.4	262.5	275.6	276.7	209.3	263.4	271.0	310.1
3b. Asphalt roofing	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3
3c. Road paving	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Total	515.2	501.3	508.0	542.6	507.8	531.5	399.3	559.3	698.1	790.4
continued	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
2. Paraffin Wax Use	313.6	346.7	508.3	945.5	846.6	956.9	715.1	764.3	797.7	666.0
3a. Solvent Use	247.9	223.6	233.5	314.0	277.5	326.1	232.5	224.0	219.9	339.9
3b. Asphalt roofing	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.8	0.4	0.8	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.2
3c. Road paving	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1
Total	561.9	570.8	742.1	1 260.4	1 124.6	1 283.9	948.0	988.7	1 018.2	1 006.2
continued	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
2. Paraffin Wax Use	684.0	654.7	710.5	539.1	573.8	598.8	446.1	506.7	517.0	454.9
3a. Solvent Use	213.4	223.3	231.2	224.9	232.6	214.3	251.0	212.7	393.6	430.5
3b. Asphalt roofing	0.2	0.5	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.9	0.9	0.6	0.2	0.3
3c. Road paving	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Total	897.7	878.6	942.0	764.5	806.8	814.1	698.1	720.1	910.9	885.8
continued	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024					
2. Paraffin Wax Use	420.2	408.3	406.6	287.8	236.4					
3a. Solvent Use	324.9	253.8	310.8	402.5	491.6					
3b. Asphalt roofing	0.4	0.3	0.7	0.9	1.2					
3c. Road paving	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1					
Total	745.7	662.5	718.2	691.3	729.2					

In 2024, the most significant emission of greenhouse gases came from solvent use which constituted 67.4 % of total emission from *Non-energy Products from Fuels and Solvent Use* that year. Emission of greenhouse gases from paraffin wax use accounted for 32.4 % of total emission from this subsector in 2024, while emission from asphalt roofing and road paving constituted 0.2 % and less.

Emission from subsectors under Non-energy Products from Fuels and Solvent Use fluctuates a great deal from year to year, as seen in Figure 11.4.3. This is among others caused by fluctuations in building activities and road paving. However, fluctuations in emission are also caused by the fact that activity data for Non-energy Products and Solvent Use are based on import data, which do not allow distinction of imported amount into consumption and stockpiling.

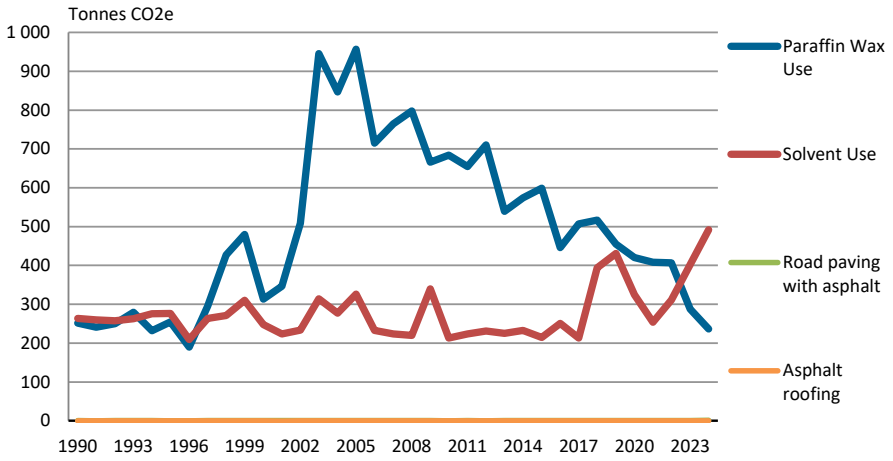


Figure 11.4.3 Emission of Greenhouse gases from Non-energy Products from Fuels and Solvent Use.

Product Uses as Substitutes for ODS – Consumption of Halocarbons

The subsector *Product Uses as Substitutes for ODS* (2F) includes the following source categories and the following halocarbons of relevance for Greenlandic emissions:

- 2F1 Refrigeration: HFC32, 125, 134a, 143a, unspecified HFCs.

A quantitative overview is given below for each of these source categories and each halocarbon, showing their emissions in tonnes through time. The data is extracted from the CRT tables that form part of this submission, and the data presented is rounded values. It must be noticed that the inventories for the years 1990-1994 might not cover emissions of these gases in full. The chosen base-year for these gases is 1995 for Greenland.

Table 11.4.5 Emission of HFCs from refrigeration (t).

	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
HFC32	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NA	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
HFC125	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NA	0.00	0.04	0.07	0.13
HFC134a	NE	NE	NE	0.01	0.02	0.02	0.03	0.07	0.12	0.18
HFC143a	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NA	0.00	0.04	0.08	0.15
Unspecified HFCs	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NA	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
continued	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
HFC32	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01
HFC125	0.19	0.31	0.42	0.50	0.57	0.57	0.58	0.62	0.67	0.70
HFC134a	0.24	0.35	0.48	0.56	0.65	0.63	0.63	0.63	0.59	0.55
HFC143a	0.22	0.35	0.47	0.56	0.64	0.64	0.65	0.70	0.76	0.80
Unspecified HFCs	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
continued	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
HFC32	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.00
HFC125	0.75	0.79	0.88	0.95	0.99	1.06	1.09	1.11	1.08	1.25
HFC134a	0.55	0.55	0.56	0.51	0.49	0.42	0.36	0.30	0.22	0.21
HFC143a	0.87	0.92	1.01	1.10	1.14	1.22	1.26	1.28	1.26	1.44
Unspecified HFCs	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
continued	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024					
HFC32	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	NO					
HFC125	1.44	1.45	1.36	1.27	1.38					
HFC134a	0.30	0.26	0.27	0.27	0.32					
HFC143a	1.66	1.68	1.57	1.48	1.60					
Unspecified HFCs	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00					

HFCs are used in various types of refrigeration in industry, retail, buildings and onboard ships. In 1993, 1994 and 1995 consumption of HFC134a was the only reported HFC used for refrigeration. Since 1996 consumption of HFC32, 125, 134A, 143A has been reported continuously. The emission of HFCs has increased a great deal since 1995. Emission of HFCs from refrigeration is shown in Figur 11.4.4.

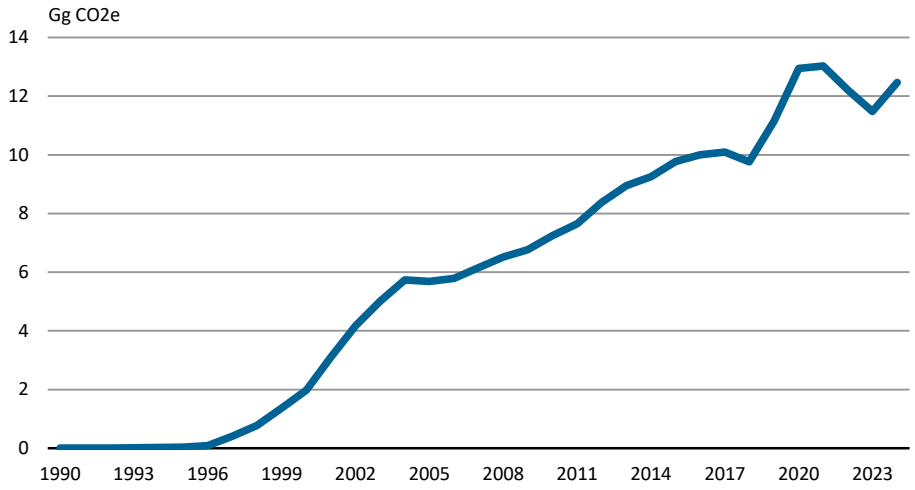


Figure 11.4.4 Emission of HFCs (from refrigeration).

Other Product Manufacture and Use – Consumption of SF_6

The subsector *Other Product Manufacture and Use* (2G) includes the following source categories and the following F-gases of relevance for Greenlandic emissions:

- 2G1 Electrical Equipment: SF_6.

Emissions of SF_6 are shown in Table 11.4.6 below. The data is extracted from the CRT tables that form part of this submission and the data presented is rounded values. It must be noticed that the inventories for the years 1990-1995 might not cover emissions of these gases in full. The chosen base-year for these gases is 1995 for Greenland.

Table 11.4.6 Emission of SF_6 from Electrical Equipment (kg).

	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
SF_6	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	1.50	0.14	0.14	0.14	0.14
continued	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
SF_6	0.14	0.14	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.13
continued	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
SF_6	0.12	0.12	0.12	0.12	0.12	0.12	0.12	0.12	0.11	0.11
continued	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024					
SF_6	0.11	NO	NO	NO	NO					

The emission of SF_6 was highest in 1995, when one single plant in Greenland reported use of SF_6. The emission of SF_6 was 1.5 kg in 1995. Since 1995 the annual emission is assumed to be 0.5 % of the amount filled into the plant in 1995 with a lifetime of 25 years. This causes a relatively high emission of SF_6 in 1995 and a much lower emission in the following years until and including 2020. As from 2021 emission of SF_6 is considered to be null. Emission of SF_6 from electrical equipment is shown in Figur 11.4.5.

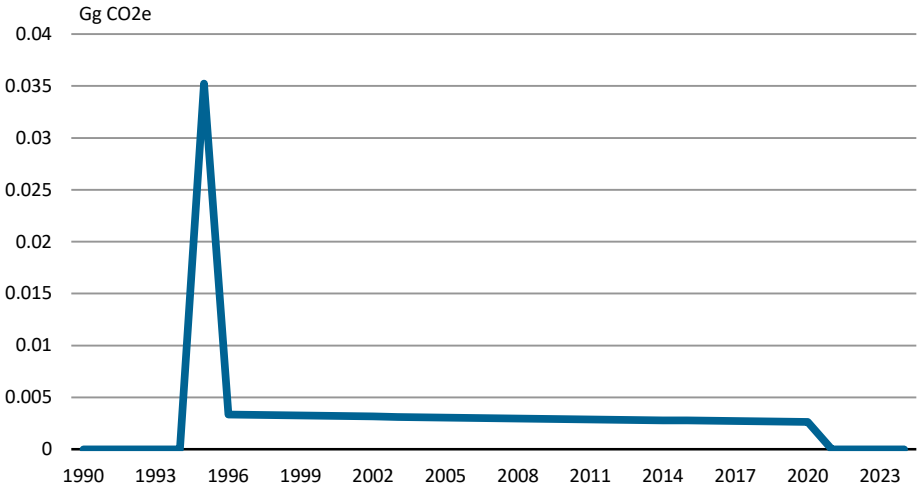


Figure 11.4.5 Emission of SF_6 (from electrical equipment).

Table 11.4.7 quantifies an overview of the emissions of the F-gases in CO_2 eqv. from the two subsectors Product Uses as Substitutes for ODS (2F) and Other Product Manufacture and Use (2G). The emissions are extracted from the CRT tables, and the values are rounded.

Table 11.4.7 Time series for emission of HFCs and SF_6 (tonnes CO_2 eqv.).

	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
HFCs	NE	NE	NE	16	25	30	82	414	769	1 366
SF_6	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	35.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.2
continued	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
HFCs	1 977	3 107	4 176	5 004	5 731	5 682	5 783	6 151	6 511	6 769
SF_6	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.0	3.0	3.0	2.9
continued	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
HFCs	7 249	7 651	8 379	8 946	9 250	9 770	10 003	10 094	9 761	11 144
SF_6	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7
continued	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024					
HFCs	12 944	13 023	12 204	11 480	12 464					
SF_6	2.6	NO	NO	NO	NO					

HFCs is by far the most dominant group among the F-gases. HFCs constitute a key category both to the key category level and to the trend analysis.

Other

The subsector *Other* (2H) covers the following processes:

- 2H2 Food and Beverages Industry.

Emission of NMVOC from food and beverages industry is presented in the CRT sector 2H.2 Other. There is no emission of CO_2 from this source.

11.4.3 Methodological issues

General

The CO_2 emission from the use of limestone and dolomite, paraffin wax, asphalt materials used for roof covering and road paving has been estimated from the annual import of these products to Greenland.

The emissions of HFCs and SF_6 have been estimated from data on consumption of F-gases. Activity data includes annual imports and data on consumption of

halocarbons and SF_6 obtained from an annual survey among importers and consumers of F-gases.

The emission modelling of solvents is done by estimating the amount of (pure) solvents consumed (EMEP/CORINAIR, 2019). All relevant solvents are estimated, or at least those representing more than 90 % of the total NMVOC emission. The estimation and modelling are based on a detailed set of data on imports of chemicals and products to Greenland. Each chemical (NMVOC) and chemical containing product (group) is estimated separately. The sum of emissions of all estimated NMVOCs used as solvents equals the NMVOC emission from solvent use.

The following sections contain a description of activity data and emission factors used for the subsectors under industrial processes. The section is concluded by a description of the emissions of greenhouse gases from industrial processes and product use.

Activity data

Activity data for subsectors *Mineral Industry* (2A), *Non-Energy Products of Fuel and Solvent Use* (2D) and *Other* (2H) are presented in Table 11.4.8. Activity data under subsector *Other* (2H) are used for calculation of emission of non-methane volatile organic compounds (NMVOC). Emission of non-methane volatile organic compounds (NMVOC) is also calculated from the use of solvents under subsector 2D.

The activity data are rounded. Notice that production of beer is given in hectolitre (hl). All other activity data are given in tonnes (t).

Statistics on imports are used to estimate annual consumption in mineral industry and the use of non-energy products of fuel and solvents.

The definitions of solvents and VOC that are used are as defined in the solvent directive (Directive 1999/13/EC) of the EU legislation: "Organic solvent shall mean any VOC which is used alone or in combination with other agents, and without undergoing a chemical change, to dissolve raw materials, products or waste materials, or is used as a cleaning agent to dissolve contaminants, or as a dissolver, or as a dispersion medium, or as a viscosity adjuster, or as a surface tension adjuster, or a plasticiser, or as a preservative". VOCs are defined as follows: "Volatile organic compound shall mean any organic compound having at 293.15 K a vapour pressure of 0.01 kPa or more, or having a corresponding volatility under the particular condition of use".

All the import data are collected by Statistics Greenland, the emission calculation based on the import data are performed by the Ministry of Industry and Labour.

Import figures for chemicals and chemical containing products are obtained from Statistics Greenland. There is no production or export of chemicals and chemical containing products, therefore the import amount is assumed to be equivalent to the used amount.

Statistics on imports of whole coffee beans and yeast for baking are used to estimate annual production of coffee and bread. Statistics on landings of fish and seafood to domestic plants are used to determine domestic processing of fish and seafood. Statistics on imports are produced by Statistics Greenland.

Production of beer including a fermentation process has taken place at the brewery "Godthåb Bryghus" since 2005 (Godthåb Bryghus, 2025). The brewery has reported annual production in rounded hectolitre.

Table 11.4.8 Activity data for Mineral Industry, Non-energy Products of Fuel and Solvent Use, and Other.

	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
Mineral Industry										
2A4d Limestone and dolomite use (t)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Non-energy Products from Fuels and Solvent Use										
2D2 Paraffin wax use (t)	86	83	86	96	79	87	65	101	146	164
2D3a Solvent use (t)	190	187	188	195	198	174	141	198	206	254
2D3b Road paving with asphalt (t)	591	581	595	604	597	577	532	664	649	752
2D3c Asphalt roofing (t)	136	210	236	280	234	238	292	249	258	246
Other Production, Food and Beverage Industry										
2H2 Beans roasted to produce coffee (t)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2H2 Production of bread (t)	356	346	339	358	501	244	415	500	847	689
2H2 Landings of fish and seafood (t)	81 768	72 396	65 554	59 423	64 428	67 751	60 666	62 249	67 250	63 753
2H2 Production of beer (hl)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Continued	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Mineral Industry										
2A4d Limestone and dolomite use (t)	9	6	3	6	4	0	0	3	7	0
Non-energy Products from Fuels and Solvent Use										
2D2 Paraffin wax use (t)	107	119	174	324	290	328	245	262	273	228
2D3a Solvent use (t)	159	155	196	264	271	351	291	258	209	329
2D3b Road paving with asphalt (t)	694	988	705	2 218	1 127	2 258	698	912	1 206	629
2D3c Asphalt roofing (t)	136	124	148	187	282	172	242	258	387	322
Other Production, Food and Beverage Industry										
2H2 Beans roasted to produce coffee (t)	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
2H2 Production of bread (t)	687	566	1 020	1 048	1 338	1 014	1 134	859	931	587
2H2 Landings of fish and seafood (t)	74 105	66 929	85 970	80 667	102 570	103 642	111 351	118 260	109 420	102 393
2H2 Production of beer (hl)	-	-	-	-	-	1 000	2 000	2 000	1 850	1 650

Continued	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Mineral Industry										
2A4d Limestone and dolomite use (t)	11	0	45	0	15	0	0	7	91	296
Non-energy Products from Fuels and Solvent Use										
2D2 Paraffin wax use (t)	234	224	243	185	197	205	153	174	177	156
2D3a Solvent use (t)	225	234	299	275	292	244	242	246	315	358
2D3b Road paving with asphalt (t)	443	1 529	583	1 200	824	2 445	2 444	1 736	617	988
2D3c Asphalt roofing (t)	292	220	151	169	194	168	238	216	212	150
Other Production, Food and Beverage Industry										
2H2 Beans roasted to produce coffee (t)	0	0	1	3	1	1	0	2	4	11
2H2 Production of bread (t)	790	584	563	567	606	985	433	683	424	553
2H2 Landings of fish and seafood (t)	97 955	104 020	111 280	105 663	106 066	109 446	129 967	120 975	118 322	123 245
2H2 Production of beer (hl)	2 010	2 115	2 080	1 985	1 628	1 800	3 810	2 450	3 430	1 315

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Continued	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	Source
Mineral Industry						
2A4dLimestone and dolomite use (t)	249	124	2	124	25	1
Non-energy Products from Fuels and Solvent Use						
2D2 Paraffin wax use (t)	144	140	139	99	81	1
2D3aSolvent use (t)	306	284	420	446	475	1
2D3bRoad paving with asphalt (t)	1 261	838	2 025	2 624	3 284	1
2D3cAsphalt roofing (t)	318	361	299	220	232	1
Other Production, Food and Beverage Industry						
2H2 Beans roasted to produce coffee(t)	2	2	4	4	7	2
2H2 Production of bread (t)	382	377	419	420	414	2
2H2 Landings of fish and seafood (t)	118 311	117 985	114 637	123 573	113 535	3
2H2 Production of beer (hl)	1 121	838	986	1 073	1 134	4

The activity data on HFCs and SF_6 are obtained by annual registrations on import and export of HFCs and SF_6, and by annual surveys among importers, wholesalers and suppliers as well as consumers of HFCs and SF_6. This means that the obtaining of activity data includes the quantification and determination of any import and export of HFCs and SF_6 contained products and substances in stock form. This is in accordance with IPCC guidelines (IPCC, 2006), as well as the relevant decision trees from the IPCC Good Practice Guidance (IPCC, 2006).

The following sources of information have been used (Statistics Greenland):

- Importers, wholesaler and suppliers.
- Statistics Greenland.
- Consuming enterprises.

Importers and suppliers provide consumption data for F-gases. Emission factors are defaults from the GPG. Import/export data for sub-source categories where import/export is relevant are quantified on estimates from import/export statistics of products + default values of the amount of gas in the product.

The determination of emissions of F-gases is based on a calculation of the actual emission. The actual emission is the emission in the evaluation year, accounting for the time lapse between consumption and emission. The actual emission includes Greenlandic emissions from production and from products during their lifetimes. Consumption and emissions of F-gases are, whenever possible, for individual substances, even though the consumption of certain HFCs has been limited. This has been varied out to ensure transparency of evaluation in the determination of GWP values. However, the continued use for Other HFCs has been necessary since not all importers and suppliers have specified records of sales for individual substances.

Only the actual emission has been calculated. Thus, the potential emission is assumed to be the same as the actual emission in the CRT tables.

Table 11.4.9 Content (w/w%) of "pure" HFC in HFC-mixtures, used as trade names.

HFC mixtures	HFC32	HFC125	HFC134a	HFC143a	Unspecified HFCs
	%	%	%	%	%
HFC-134, total			100		
HFC-404, total		44	4	52	
HFC-407c, total	23	25	52		
HFC-507a, total		50		50	
Unspecified HFCs					100

The substances have been accounted for in the survey according to their trade names, which are mixtures of HFCs used in the CRT. In the transfer to the "pure" substances used in the CRT reporting schemes, the ratios shown in Table 11.4.9 have been used.

The activity data expressed as total amount of HFCs and PFCs filled into new products, present in operating systems and remaining in products at decommissioning are included in the CRT tables and are not repeated here.

Heat pumps are part of category 2.F.1.a Commercial Refrigeration. There is however no production of heat pumps in Greenland and the stock of HFC-125 and HFC-134a and other HFCs in heat pumps therefore increase without any emission from manufacture.

Emission factors

The CO_2 emission factors applied for products in 2024 are presented in Table 11.4.10. The same emission factor has been applied for 1990-2024.

Table 11.4.10 CO_2 emission factors 2023.

Product	Emission factor	Unit	Reference	IPCC Category
Limestone and dolomite use	439.71	kg/t	IPCC, 2006	2A4d
Paraffin wax use	2 910	kg/t	Shires et al. (2004)	2D2
Asphalt used for road paving	0.23	kg/t	1	2D3b
Asphalt materials used for roofing	0.40	kg/t	1	2D3c

The CH_4 emission factors applied for products in 2024 are presented in Table 11.4.11. The same emission factor has been applied for 1990-2024.

Table 11.4.11 CH_4 emission factors 2024.

Product	Emission factor	Unit	Reference	IPCC Category
Paraffin wax use	0.121	kg/t	Shires et al. (2009)	2D2
Asphalt used for road paving	0.0044	kg/t	US EPA (2004)	2D3b

The N_2O emission factors applied for products in 2024 are presented in Table 11.4.12. The same emission factor has been applied for 1990-2024.

Table 11.4.12 N_2O emission factors 2024.

Product	Emission factor	Unit	Reference	IPCC Category
Paraffin wax use	0.024	kg/t	Shires et al. (2009)	2D2

The CO emission factors applied for the consumption of asphalt products in 2024 are presented in Table 11.4.13. The same emission factor has been applied for 1990-2024.

Table 11.4.13 CO emission factors 2024.

Product	Emission factor	Unit	Reference	IPCC Category
Asphalt used for road paving	0.1202	kg/t	US EPA (2004)	2D3b
Asphalt materials used for roofing	0.0095	kg/t	EMEP/EEA (2019)	2D3c

The NMVOC emission factors applied for the consumption of asphalt products and products used in the production of food and beverages in 2024 are presented in Table 11.4.14. The same emission factor has been applied for 1990-2024.

Table 11.4.14 NMVOC emission factors 2024.

Product	Emission factor	Unit	Reference	IPCC Category
Asphalt used for road paving	0.0016	kg/t	EMEP/EEA (2019)	2D3b
Asphalt materials used for roofing	0.130	kg/t	EMEP/EEA (2019)	2D3c
Food and Beverages Industry - Beans roasted to produce coffee	0.55	kg/t	IPCC, 1997	2H2
Food and Beverages Industry - Production of bread	8	kg/t	IPCC, 1997	2H2
Food and Beverages Industry - Landings of fish and seafood	0.3	kg/t	IPCC, 1997	2H2
Food and Beverages Industry - Production of beer	0.035	kg pr hl	IPCC, 1997	2H2

NMVOC-emissions from solvent use are estimated using emission modelling of solvents by estimating the amount of (pure) solvents consumed, thus representing a chemicals approach, where each pollutant is estimated separately. All relevant solvents must be estimated, or at least those together representing more than 90 % of the total pollutant emission. These emissions are summed up to one Greenlandic total CO_2 (NMVOC) emissions from solvent use.

Emission factors are calculated for a complete conversion to CO_2 of each NMVOC molecule in unit g CO_2 per g NMVOC from:

$$n \times 12 \frac{g}{mol} / (molecular\ weight\ NMVOC) \times 3.667 \frac{g\ CO_2}{g\ C}$$

where n is the number of carbon atoms in the NMVOC molecule. The default NMVOC-CO_2 conversion factor of 0.85 * 3.667 = 3.11 is used for solvents.

The emission factors used in the Greenlandic inventory are the same as developed for the Danish inventory (please refer to Chapter 5).

11.4.4 Emissions

The greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions are listed in Table 11.4.15. The emission from industrial processes and product use accounts for 2.0 % of the Greenlandic GHG emission in 2024.

The CO_2 emission from industrial processes and product use accounts for 0.11 % of the Greenlandic CO_2 emission (excluding net CO_2 emission from Land Use, Land Use Change and Forestry (LULUCF). The HFC emission from industrial processes and product use accounts for 100 % of the Greenlandic emission.

Table 11.4.15 Greenhouse gas emission for the year 2024.

		CO_2	HFC	SF_6
		Tonne CO_2 equivalent		
2A4	Limestone and Dolomite Use	11.15	NA	NA
2D2	Paraffin Wax Use	235.62	NA	NA
2D3	Solvent use	491.56	NA	NA
2D3	Road paving with asphalt	0.76	NA	NA
2D3	Asphalt roofing	0.09	NA	NA
2F1	Refrigeration and air conditioning	NA	12 464	NA
2G1	Electrical Equipment	NA	NA	NO
Total emission from industrial processes and product use		739.18	12 464	NO
Greenlandic emission (excluding net emission from LULUCF)		644 942	12 464	NO
			%	
Emission share for industrial processes and product use		0.11	100.00	100.00

Note: Emission of CH_4 and N_2O has been omitted from Table 11.4.15 due to very low values of emission.

HFC is the most important GHG pollutant and accounts for 94.4 % of the GHG emission in CO_2 equivalents from industrial processes and product use. Illustration of the percentage of share in a figure is omitted due to the large share of HFC, which completely dominates as the most significant GHG pollutant from industrial processes.

CO_2

Figure 11.4.6 depicts the time series of CO_2 emission from industrial processes. As shown by the red curve total CO_2 emission follows the CO_2 emission from solvent use closely. The reason is that solvent use is such a dominat source to CO_2 emission within the sector *Industrial processes and product use*.

Data on imports are used to estimate annual use of paraffin wax use, solvent use, limestone and dolomite as well as asphalt for road paving and roofing. This causes a great deal of fluctuations from year to year. Hence, in years with none or low import of solvents e.g., 2008, 2010 and onwards, CO_2 emission from solvent use is on a lower level.

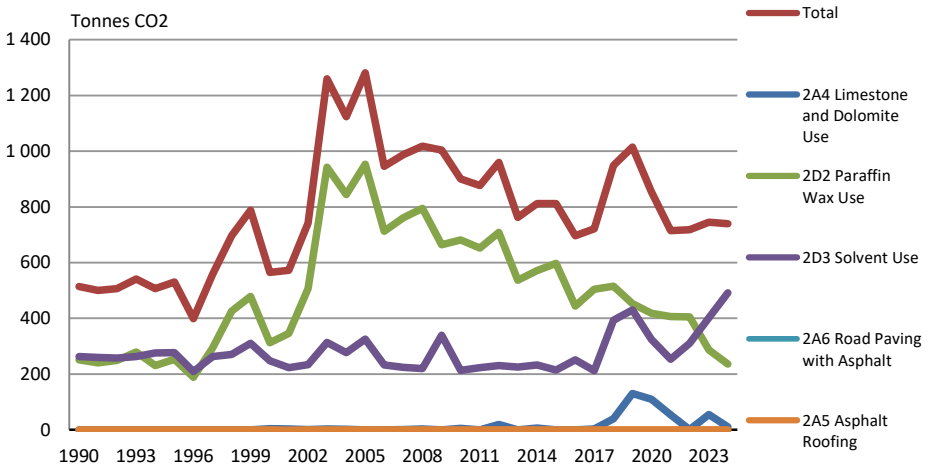


Figure 11.4.6 Emission of CO_2 from industrial processes and product use.

Emission of HFCs and SF_6 are illustrated in Figure 11.4.4 and Figure 11.4.5.

NMVOC and CO

The emissions of NMVOC and CO from industrial processes and product use in 2024 are presented in Table 11.4.16. NMVOC and CO account for 14.66 % and 0.008 % respectively, of the Greenlandic emissions for these substances.

Table 11.4.16 NMVOC and CO emission from industrial processes 2024.

		NMVOC	CO
		Tonnes	
2D3	Solvent Use	129.02	NA
2D3	Asphalt Roofing	0.03	0.00
2D3	Road Paving with Asphalt	0.05	0.39
2H2	Food and beverages industry	37.41	NA
Total emission from industrial processes and product use		166.52	0.40
Greenlandic emission		1 135.67	5 248.85
		%	
Emission share for industrial processes and product use		14.66	0.008

11.4.5 Uncertainties

A tier 1 uncertainty assessment has been carried out in accordance with the IPCC GPG (IPCC, 2006). The uncertainty has been estimated for all sources included in the reporting for industrial processes. The uncertainties for the activity data and emission factors are shown in Table 11.4.17.

Table 11.4.17 Uncertainties for activity data and emission factors for industrial processes.

Subsector	Pollutant	Activity data uncertainty	Emission factor uncertainty
2A4 Limestone and dolomite use	CO_2	5	5
2D2 Paraffin wax use	CO_2	5	25
2D3 Solvent use	CO_2	5	25
2D3 Road paving with asphalt	CO_2	5	25
2D3 Asphalt roofing	CO_2	5	25
2D2 Paraffin wax use	CH_4	5	25
2D3 Road paving with asphalt	CH_4	5	25
2D2 Paraffin wax use	N_2O	5	25
2F Consumption of HFC	HFC	10	50
2G Consumption of SF_6	SF_6	10	50

The activity data comes from the import statistics, which is of high quality. Thus, the uncertainty value of the activity data has been set to 5 % for limestone and dolomite use, paraffin wax use, solvent use and asphalt used for road paving and roofing. For consumption of HFCs and SF_6 the uncertainty value of the activity data has been set to 10 %.

With regards to uncertainty, the CO_2 emission factor for limestone and dolomite use is considered very certain. It is derived from stoichiometric calculations. Thus, an emission factor of 5 % has been assumed. The uncertainty levels for paraffin wax use, solvent use, asphalt roofing and road paving are expert judgements set to 25 % for the emission factor. The emission of F-gases is dominated by emissions from refrigeration equipment and, therefore, the uncertainties assumed for this sector will be used for all the F-gases. The IPCC propose an uncertainty of 30-40 % for regional estimates. However, Greenlandic statistics have been developed over several years and, therefore the uncertainty on activity data is assumed to be 10 %. The uncertainty on the emission factor is, on the other hand, assumed to be 50 %. The base year for F-gases for Greenland is 1995.

The resulting uncertainties for the individual greenhouse gases and the total uncertainty on the greenhouse gas emission are shown in Table 11.4.18.

Table 11.4.18 Uncertainties for the emission estimates.

	Uncertainty %	Trend 1990-2024[1] %	Trend uncertainty %
GHG	± 48	2 175	± 1 112
CO_2	± 19	43.7	± 11.1
HFC	± 51	41 387	± 5 867
SF_6	-	-	-

[1] For f-gases the base year of 1995 is used.

11.4.6 Source specific QA/QC

The elaboration of a formal QA/QC plan is to be completed.

However, the official Greenlandic import statistics has gone through a great deal of quality work with regards to accuracy, comparability and completeness. Statistics Greenland is responsible for the official Greenlandic import statistics, and as such responsible for the completeness of data. The import statistics is obtained by Statistic Greenland, which are used for emission for Industrial Processes and Product use.

Statistics on imports is reported by Statistics Greenland in form of a spreadsheet. Annual import of limestone and dolomite, paraffin wax use, asphalt materials used for roof covering and road paving, chemicals and chemical containing products, whole coffee beans and yeast for baking are compared with imports in previous years and large discrepancies are checked. The same procedure is used to ensure accuracy in annual use of F-gases and statistics on landings of fish and seafood to domestic plants.

All external data used for the emission inventory submission are archived in spreadsheets. Data are archived annually to ensure that the basic data for a given report are always available in their original form.

Safely stored and quality checked activity data are then processes by using a methodological approach consistent with international guidelines.

Calculated emission factors are compared with guideline emission factors to ensure that they are reasonable. The calculations follow the principle in international guidelines.

During data processing, it is checked that calculations are being carried out correctly. However, a documentation plan for this needs to be elaborated.

Time series for activity data, emission factors and calculated emissions are used to identify possible errors in the calculation procedure. In fact, during the calculation, numerous controls take place to ensure correctness. Sums are checked in the various stages in the calculation procedure. Implied emission factors are compared to emission factors.

Every single time series imported to the CRT Reporter is checked for annual activity, units for activity, emission factor and emissions. Additional checks are performed on the database. The database encloses every single activity data, emission factors, emission, notation key and comment imported to the CRT Reporter.

11.4.7 Source specific recalculations and improvements

In this 2025 submission there have been some minor revisions in the industrial processes and product use sector.

Table 11.3.19 shows recalculations in the industrial processes and product use sector compared to the 2025 submission. Minor changes occur in 2021-2023 due to revision of the emission of SF_6.

Table 11.4.19 Changes in GHG emission in Industrial Processes and Product Use compared to the 2025 submission.

	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
Previous inventory, Gg CO_2 eqv.	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.5	1.0	1.5	2.2
Recalculated, Gg CO_2 eqv.	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.5	1.0	1.5	2.2
Change in Gg CO_2 eqv.	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Change in pct.	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Continued	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Previous inventory, Gg CO_2 eqv.	2.5	3.7	4.9	6.3	6.9	7.0	6.7	7.1	7.5	7.8
Recalculated, Gg CO_2 eqv.	2.5	3.7	4.9	6.3	6.9	7.0	6.7	7.1	7.5	7.8
Change in Gg CO_2 eqv.	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Change in pct.	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Continued	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Previous inventory, Gg CO_2 eqv.	8.2	8.5	9.3	9.7	10.1	10.6	10.7	10.8	10.7	12.2
Recalculated, Gg CO_2 eqv.	8.2	8.5	9.3	9.7	10.1	10.6	10.7	10.8	10.7	12.2
Change in Gg CO_2 eqv.	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Change in pct.	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Continued	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024					
Previous inventory, Gg CO_2 eqv.	13.8	13.7	12.9	12.2	-					
Recalculated, Gg CO_2 eqv.	13.8	13.7	12.9	12.2	13.2					
Change in Gg CO_2 eqv.	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-					
Change in pct.	0.0	0.0	0.0	-0.1	-					

11.4.8 Source specific planned improvements

Some planned improvements to the emission inventories are discussed below.

1) Distribution of unspecified mix of HFCs into single HFCs

An unspecified mix of HFCs is used in commercials and industries. In future inventories attempts will be made to distribute the unspecified mix of HFCs into single substances.

It will be investigated whether use of N_2O from solvents is occurring in Greenland.

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11.5 Agriculture (CRT sector 3)

The emission of greenhouse gases from agricultural activities includes CH_4 emission from enteric fermentation, CH_4 and N_2O emission from manure management and N_2O emission from agricultural soils. The emissions are reported in CRT Tables 3.A, 3.B, 3.D and 3.G.

Emission from rice production, burning of agricultural crop residue and burning of savannas does not occur in Greenland and the CRT Tables 3.C, 3.E and 3.F have, consequently, not been completed.

Emission of non-methane volatile organic compounds (NMVOC) from agricultural activities has not been estimated.

11.5.1 Overview of sector

In CO_2 equivalents, the agricultural sector (without LULUCF) contributes with 1.4 % of the overall greenhouse gas emission (GHG) in 2024. From 1990 to 2024, emissions have decreased from 10.29 Gg CO_2 equivalents to 8.73 Gg CO_2 equivalents, which corresponds to a decrease of 15.2 %, see Table 11.5.1. This emission decrease is primarily caused by a decrease in the number of both sheep and reindeer.

Table 11.5.1 Emission of GHG in the agricultural sector 1990-2024 in Gg CO_2 equivalents.

	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
CH_4	8.75	8.82	7.92	6.96	7.59	8.16	8.40	9.19	8.75	7.93	7.70
N_2O	1.53	1.55	1.40	1.26	1.37	1.46	2.01	1.78	2.21	2.29	2.04
Total	10.29	10.37	9.32	8.21	8.96	9.62	10.41	10.97	10.96	10.22	9.74
continued	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
CH_4	7.83	7.53	7.63	8.02	8.34	8.09	8.27	8.08	7.90	8.11	7.93
N_2O	2.10	1.97	2.01	2.14	2.24	2.25	1.98	2.92	2.16	2.13	2.32
Total	9.93	9.50	9.63	10.16	10.58	10.34	10.26	11.00	10.06	10.24	10.26
continued	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
CH_4	7.89	7.85	7.42	6.99	7.23	7.09	7.23	7.09	7.20	7.22	7.05
N_2O	2.20	2.17	2.28	2.08	2.05	1.63	1.43	2.09	2.21	2.37	4.25
Total	10.09	10.02	9.69	9.07	9.28	8.71	8.67	9.18	9.40	9.60	11.30
continued	2023	2024									
CH_4	6.91	5.83									
N_2O	5.03	2.90									
Total	11.94	8.73									

As shown in Figure 11.5.1, CH_4 emission contributed with 66.7 % of the total GHG emission from the agricultural sector in 2024. N_2O contributed with 33.2 %. A major part of the emission is related to livestock production, which in

Greenland particularly means the production of sheep. A smaller part is related to the reindeer production. Concerning the emission from agricultural soils, the main sources are use of inorganic fertiliser, nitrogen leaching from leaching and run-off and emission from grassing animals.

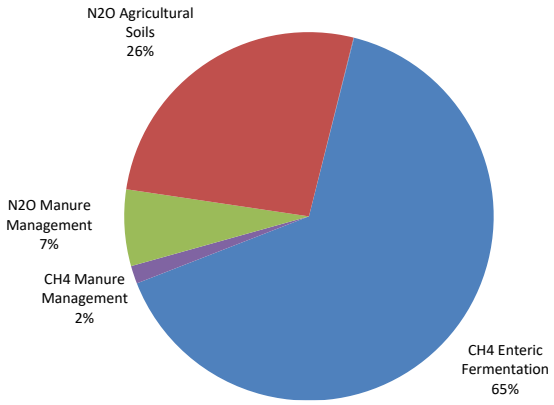


Figure 11.5.1 Emission of greenhouse gases from agriculture in 2024.

11.5.2 Source category description

The calculations of the emissions are based on methods described in the IPCC Reference Manual (IPCC, 2006) and the Good Practice Guidance (IPCC, 2000).

Statistics Greenland is responsible for collecting data, preparation of emission inventory and reporting. Inputs of data are basically obtained from Statistics Greenland and Greenland Agricultural Consulting Services (ACS). Data on climate are supplied by the Danish Meteorological Institute (DMI) and Greenland Survey (ASIAQ) and published by Statistics Greenland.

Table 11.5.2 List of institutes involved in the emission inventory for the agricultural sector.

References	Link	Abbreviation	Data/information
Statistics Greenland	*www.stat.gl*	GS	- reporting - data collecting - no. of animal - feed import - use of inorganic fertiliser - spring temperature
The Agricultural Consulting Services	*http://nunalerineq.org*	ACS	- N-excretion - milk yield - feed consumption and composition - stable- and grassing situation - animal growth and weight - land use - crop production
The Danish Plant Directorate	*www.pdir.dk*	PD	- N content in different fertiliser types
The Danish Agricultural Advisory Centre, Aarhus University	*www.lr.dk*	DAAC	- N content in crop residue - CO_2 from liming

11.5.3 CH_4 emission from Enteric Fermentation (CRT sector 3A)

Description

The majority of the agricultural CH_4 emission originates from digestive processes. In 2024, this source accounts for 65.1 % of the total GHG emission from agricultural activities. The emission is primarily related to ruminants, which in Greenland is sheep. In 2023, sheep contributed with 93.7 % and the remaining 6.3 % from reindeer.

Methodological issues

The implied emission factors for all animal categories are based on the Tier 2/Country Specific (CS) approach. Feed consumption and composition for sheep and reindeer is based on data from Statistics Greenland and the Agricultural Consulting Services (ACS), which has information concerning the agricultural conditions in practice. Default values for the methane conversion rate (Y_m) for sheep given by the IPCC are used, as an average of mature sheep and lambs, which mean an Y_m value of 6.5 % for sheep and 6.0 % for reindeer.

Gross energy intake (GE)

The gross energy intake for sheep and reindeer is based on feeding plans for sheep from the Greenland Agricultural Consulting Services supplemented by data on imported feed. For reindeer information on gross energy intake is based on an article on reindeer management in Greenland.

Table 11.5.3 Parameters for calculation of emission from enteric fermentation.

Animal Category	Gross Energy (GE)	Methane conversion factor (Y_m)	Emission factor
	MJ pr head pr day		Kg CH_4 pr head pr yr
Sheep	28.4	0.065	12.1
Reindeer	27.2	0.060	10.7

The default CH_4 emission factor for sheep Tier 1 methodology is estimated to be 8 kg CH_4 per animal per year for developed countries. The default GE is given as 20 MJ/head/yr, which is lower than the calculated GE for Greenland, and can explain the lower emission factor. Another reason could be the fact that the national value for feed intake includes lambs. After lambing, ewes and lambs are put out to pasture. Thus, lambs only feed through their mother and grass. Lambs are not fed separately before slaughter.

There is no default GE for reindeer. However, Norway, Sweden and Finland have estimated gross energy intake for reindeer to 29.6 – 31.6 MJ/head/day. Based on an article on reindeer management in southern Greenland by H.E. Rasmussen in 1992, the Greenlandic gross energy intake for reindeer has been estimated to 27.2 MJ pr head pr day, which is lower than Norway, Sweden and Finland. However, holding in mind that food conditions for reindeer is more scarcely in Greenland compared to conditions in Norway, Sweden and Finland, which have more forest, and that reindeer in Greenland are not fed separately, the estimated of gross energy intake for reindeer in Greenland seems acceptable.

Activity data

Table 11.5.4 shows the development in livestock. The number of sheep is varying slightly, however with a drecreasing trend. The number of reindeer has decreased considerably since 1990. The reindeer livestock decreased significantly in 1999, when one of two reindeer stations closed. Since 1999 there has been only one reindeer station in Greenland. In 2024, both sheep and reindeer decreased in numbers.

Table 11.5.4 Number of animals from 1990-2024, CRT Table 3.A., 3.B (a) and 3.B (b).

	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
Sheep	19 929	20 134	17 900	16 256	17 818	19 464	20 163	23 134	19 929	21 007	20 444
Reindeer	6 000	6 000	5 600	4 300	4 600	4 600	4 600	3 800	6 000	2 106	2 000
Continued	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
Sheep	20 394	18 967	19 259	20 383	21 317	21 289	21 704	21 080	20 139	20 729	20 232
Reindeer	2 480	3 100	3 100	3 100	3 100	2 318	2 441	2 500	3 000	3 000	3 000
Continued	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Sheep	20 107	19 994	18 738	17 501	18 190	17 785	18 212	17 785	18 105	18 184	17 685
Reindeer	3 000	3 000	3 000	3 000	3 000	3 000	3 000	3 000	3 000	3 000	3 000

Continued	2023	2024
Sheep	17 268	15 750
Reindeer	3 000	1 190

Implied emission factor

The implied emission factor (IEF) could vary across years for sheep and reindeer due to changes in feed consumption. However, no existing data can document a change in feed intake. Thus, the same IEF is used for all years.

Time series consistency

The emission from enteric fermentation is given in Table 11.5.5. From 1990 to 2024, the emission has decreased by 33.4 % due to a fall in number of both reindeer and sheep.

Table 11.5.5 Emission of CH_4 from Enteric Fermentation 1990-2024, tonnes CH_4.

CRT 3.A	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
Sheep	241	243	216	197	215	235	244	280	241	254	247
Reindeer	64	64	60	46	49	49	49	41	64	23	21
Total, tonnes CH_4	305	308	276	243	265	284	293	320	305	276	269
Total, tonnes CO_2 eqv.	8 542	8 612	7 736	6 790	7 409	7 966	8 202	8 969	8 542	7 742	7 519
Continued	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
Sheep	247	229	233	246	258	257	262	255	243	251	245
Reindeer	27	33	33	33	33	25	26	27	32	32	32
Total, tonnes CH_4	273	262	266	280	291	282	288	282	276	283	277
Total, tonnes CO_2 eqv.	7 646	7 349	7 447	7 828	8 144	7 901	8 078	7 884	7 715	7 915	7 747
Continued	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Sheep	243	242	227	212	220	215	220	215	219	220	214
Reindeer	32	32	32	32	32	32	32	32	32	32	32
Total, tonnes CH_4	275	274	259	244	252	247	252	247	251	252	246
Total, tonnes CO_2 eqv.	7 705	7 666	7 241	6 822	7 056	6 919	7 063	6 919	7 027	7 054	6 885

Continued	2023	2024
Sheep	209	190
Reindeer	32	13
Total, tonnes CH4	241	203
Total, tonnes CO2 eqv.	6 744	5 688

11.5.4 CH_4 and N_2O emission from Manure Management (CRT sector 3B)

Description

The emissions of CH_4 and N_2O from manure management are given in CRT Table 3.B (a) and 3.B (b). This source contributes with 8.3 % of the total emission from the agricultural sector in 2024. The majority part of the emission originates from the production of sheep.

Methodological issues

CH_4 emission

The IPCC 2006 Tier 2/CS methodology has been used for the estimation of the CH_4 emission from manure management. Calculation of volatile solid excretion rates, VS is based on national value of gross energy intake (GE). The VS excretion rate is estimated as:

$$VS = \left[GE \times \left(1 - \frac{DE\%}{100}\right) + (UE \times GE)\right] \times \left[\left(\frac{1 - ASH}{18.45}\right)\right]$$

Where default values are used for digestibility (DE), the fraction of urinary energy excretion (UE) and the ash content (ASH), see Table 11.5.6.

In the calculation of the CH_4 emission factor from manure management default values are used for maximum methane producing capacity (B_0) and the methane conversion factor (MCF), see Table 11.5.6.

For reindeer, no default values exist. Thus DE, ASH and B_0 estimates for sheep are used. Sheep and reindeer are similar creatures, both ruminants. Greenlandic reindeer weigh an average of 70 kg. Greenlandic sheep weight approximately 50 kg. However, while sheep are fed relatively more intensively, reindeer only feed on what they find in nature all year around. On these arguments the best estimate is to use DE, ASH and B_0 estimates for sheep on reindeer as well.

Table 11.5.6 CH_4 – Manure management – use of national parameters and IPCC default values.

Parameter	Unit	Sheep	Reindeer	Default or national value
Gross energy intake (GE)	MJ pr head pr day	28.4	27.2	National
Digestibility (DE)	Percent	60	60	IPCC default
Urinary energy excretion (UE)	Percent	4	4	IPCC default
Ash content (ASH)	Percent	8	8	IPCC default
Volatile solids (VS)	Kg VS pr head pr day	0.62	0.60	National
Max. methane producing capacity (B_0)	M^3 pr kg VS	0.19	0.19	IPCC default
CH_4 conversion factor (MCF), dry lot	Percent	1	1	IPCC default
CH_4 conversion factor (MCF), pasture, range and paddock	Percent	1	1	IPCC default
Emission factor	Kg CH_4 pr head pr yr	0.29	0.28	Tier 2

There are no changes in stable conditions or feed intake during the years 1990 to 2024. The implied emission factor is therefore the same for all years.

The default emission factor for sheep in cool areas is 0.19 kg CH_4 per head per year. The higher national value is due to a higher estimate for gross energy intake that accounts for both sheep and lamb.

Table 11.5.7 shows a decrease in the CH_4 emission from manure management from 1990 to 2024 by 34.3 % related to the fall in the number of both reindeer and sheep.

Table 11.5.7 Emission of CH_4 from Manure Management 1990-2024, tonnes CH_4.

CRT 3.A	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
Sheep	5.8	5.8	5.2	4.7	5.2	5.6	5.8	6.7	5.8	6.1	5.9
Reindeer	1.7	1.7	1.6	1.2	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.1	1.7	0.6	0.6
Total, tonnes CH_4	7.5	7.5	6.8	5.9	6.5	6.9	7.1	7.8	7.5	6.7	6.5
Continued	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
Sheep	5.9	5.5	5.6	5.9	6.2	6.2	6.3	6.1	5.8	6.0	5.9
Reindeer	0.7	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.8
Total, tonnes CH_4	6.6	6.4	6.5	6.8	7.0	6.8	7.0	6.8	6.7	6.9	6.7
Continued	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Sheep	5.8	5.8	5.4	5.1	5.3	5.2	5.3	5.2	5.3	5.3	5.1
Reindeer	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8
Total, tonnes CH_4	6.7	6.6	6.3	5.9	6.1	6.0	6.1	6.0	6.1	6.1	6.0
Continued	2023	2024									
Sheep	5.0	4.6									
Reindeer	0.8	0.3									
Total, tonnes CH_4	5.8	4.9									

N_2O emission

Based on information from Greenland Agricultural Consulting Services it is estimated that for sheep 55 % of the N-excretion is taken place in stable (dry lot) and all manure is handled as solid manure. The IPCC default emission value is applied, which means 2.0 % of the N-excretion for solid manure. Sheep are grazing 45 % of the year. The emission from manure deposits on grass is included in "Pasture, Range and Paddock".

Reindeer is grazing all year. The emission from manure deposits on grass is included in "Pasture, Range and Paddock".

The total nitrogen excretion for sheep has decreased by 34.2 % from 1990 to 2024 due to a drop in the number of livestock, see Table 11.5.8.

Table 11.5.8 Total nitrogen excretion for sheep, 1990-2024, tonnes N.

CRT table 3.B(b)	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
N-excreted, tonnes in total	154	155	140	122	133	143	147	161	154	138	134
N-excretion, tonnes in stable	66	66	59	54	59	64	67	76	66	69	67
Continued	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
N-excreted, tonnes in total	137	132	133	140	146	141	144	141	138	142	139
N-excretion, tonnes in stable	67	63	64	67	70	70	72	70	66	68	67
Continued	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
N-excreted, tonnes in total	138	137	130	122	126	124	127	124	126	126	123
N-excretion, tonnes in stable	66	66	62	58	60	59	60	59	60	60	58
Continued	2023	2024									
N-excreted, tonnes in total	121	101									
N-excretion, tonnes in stable	57	52									

Time series consistency

As shown in Table 11.5.9 total emission from manure management has decreased by 26.4 % from 1990 to 2024 due to a decrease in the number of sheep and reindeer.

Table 11.5.9 Emissions of N_2O and CH_4 from Manure Management 1990-2024.

	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
N_2O emission, tonnes CO_2 eqv.	773	780	695	626	685	746	771	875	773	785	763
CH_4 emission, tonnes CO_2 eqv.	209	211	189	166	181	194	200	218	209	187	182
Total, tonnes CO_2 eqv.	981	991	885	792	866	940	971	1 092	981	972	945
Continued	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
N_2O emission, tonnes CO_2 eqv.	765	717	728	769	803	796	813	790	759	781	763
CH_4 emission, tonnes CO_2 eqv.	185	178	181	190	197	191	195	191	187	192	188
Total, tonnes CO_2 eqv.	950	895	908	959	1 000	987	1 008	981	946	973	950
Continued	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
N_2O emission, tonnes CO_2 eqv.	758	754	708	662	688	673	689	673	685	687	669
CH_4 emission, tonnes CO_2 eqv.	187	186	176	166	171	168	171	168	171	171	167
Total, tonnes CO_2 eqv.	945	940	883	828	859	841	860	841	855	859	836

Continued	2023	2024
N2O emission, tonnes CO2 eqv.	654	586
CH4 emission, tonnes CO2 eqv.	164	137
Total, tonnes CO2 eqv.	818	723

11.5.5 N_2O emission from Agricultural Soils (CRT sector 3D)

Description

N_2O emissions from agricultural soils contributed with 31.0 % of total emissions from the agricultural sector in 2024. Figure 11.5.2 shows the overall development from 1990 to 2024 and the distribution on different sources.

Emission from inorganic fertiliser and nitrogen leaching is an essential part of the total emission from agricultural soils and contributes totally with 74.6% of total in 2024. Of the remaining sources the greatest part of the emission, by 8.3%, origins from urine and dung deposited by grazing animals. Emissions from all sources have increased or remained the same from 1990 to 2024 except from crop residues, animal manure applied to soils and urine and dung deposited by grazing animals both due to a fall in number of reindeer and sheep.

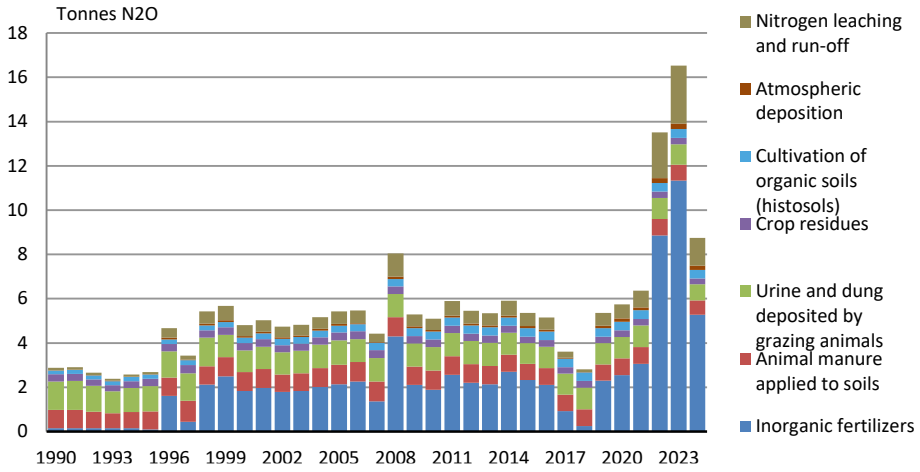


Figure 11.5.2 N_2O emissions from agricultural soils 1990-2024.

Methodological issues

To calculate the N_2O emission a combination of IPCC Tier 1a and Tier 1b is used. Tier 1b is used in calculation of emission from crop residues. Emissions of N_2O are closely related to the nitrogen balance. Data concerning the N-excretion, evaporation of ammonia from inorganic fertiliser and grassing animal are based on national values.

The NH_3 and N_2O emission factor survey is presented in Table 11.5.10 and shows that except from histosols, all N_2O emission factors are based on IPCC default values. The estimated emissions from the different sub-sources are described in the text which follows.

Table 11.5.10 Emissions factor - N_2O emission from Agricultural Soils 1990-2024.

Agricultural soils – emission sources CRT Table 3.D	Ammonia emission factor	N_2O emission factor (country specific value)	N_2O emission factor (IPCC default value)
	Kg NH_3-N pr kg N	kg N_2O-N pr ha	kg N_2O -N pr kg N
a. Direct N_2O emissions from managed soils			
1. Inorganic N fertilisers	0.04 (CS)		0.01
2. Organic N fertilisers			
Animal manure applied to soils	0.20 (IPCC default)		0.01
3. Urine and dung deposited by grazin animals			0.01
4. Crop residues			0.01
Cultivation of organic soils (i.e., histosols)		0.84*	
b. Indirect N_2O emissions from managed soils			
Atmospheric deposition			0.01
Nitrogen leaching and run-off			0.0075

CS = country specific value. FracGASF, depending upon the annual mix of inorganic fertilisers.

* Include both emission from cropland and improved grassland. For further details see Section 11.6.

Direct emissions

Inorganic fertiliser

The calculation of nitrogen (N) applied to soils from use of inorganic fertiliser is based on data on imports from Statistics Greenland. No data is available before 1994. The consumption for 1990 to 1993 is assumed to be at the same level as 1994. The nitrogen content for each fertiliser type is estimated based on expert judgement from the Danish Plant Directorate (Troels Knudsen, pers. comm.).

Table 11.5.11 shows the consumption of each type of fertiliser in 2024. Furthermore, the ammonia emission factor for each fertiliser is given, based on the values given in EMEP/EEA emission inventory guidebook 2019 (Table 3-2). The emission factors depend on a normal pH of 7.0 or below, and a cool climate with mean spring temperature estimated to seven degrees in Greenland. The spring temperature must reflect the time when the fertilisers are applied, which in Greenland normally is June.

Table 11.5.11 Consumption of inorganic fertiliser 2024 and the NH_3 emission factors.

Inorganic fertiliser	NH_3 Emission factor[1] kg NH_3 per kg N applied	Consumption[2] t N
Type of fertiliser		
Ammonium sulphate	0.090	NO
Ammonium nitrate	0.015	205.0
Calcium ammonium nitrate	0.008	NO
Anhydrous ammonia	0.019	NO
Urea	0.155	51.1
Nitrogen solutions	0.098	NO
Ammonium phosphates	0.050	NO
Other NK and NPK	0.050	79.6
Total consumption of N in inorganic fertiliser		335.6
National emission of NH_3, tonnes	14 971	
National emission of NH_3-N, tonnes	12 329	
Average NH_3-N emission ($Frac_{GASF}$)[3]	0.037	

[1]) EMEP/EEA (2019), cool cimate and pH-value of 7.0 or below.
[2]) Statistics Greenland and the Danish Plant Directorate.
[3]) $Frac_{GASF}$ fraction of synthetic fertiliser N that volatises as NH_3.

The Greenlandic value for the FracGASF is estimated to 0.037 in 2024, which is considerably lower than the recommended default value 0.10 (IPCC 2006, Table 11.3). Most fertiliser types used in Greenland are related to NPK fertiliser where the emission factor is relatively low e.g., 5.0 kg NH_3-N pr kg N. Before 1995, urea accounted for a higher fraction. The value of FracGASF for these years is estimated to 0.127.

Table 11.5.12 FracGASF, 1990-2024.

	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
FracGASF	0.127	0.127	0.127	0.127	0.127	0.106	0.047	0.055	0.036	0.034	0.041
Continued	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
FracGASF	0.041	0.041	0.041	0.041	0.040	0.016	0.026	0.025	0.039	0.041	0.036
Continued	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
FracGASF	0.040	0.041	0.034	0.043	0.040	0.040	0.049	0.044	0.055	0.044	0.025
Continued	2023	2024									
FracGASF	0.023	0.037									

Table 11.5.13 shows a general increase in use of fertiliser and a particular jump upwards in some years. Due to a relatively small number of farms, the individual handling of one farmer has a high effect on the total consumption. With the consumption of fertilisers being based on imports of fertilisers it is not possible to account for fertilisers bought for stockpiling. Thus, it is possible that the relatively high increase in use of fertilisers in 2022 or 2023 is due to stockpiling.

Table 11.5.13 Nitrogen applied as fertiliser to agricultural soils 1990-2024.

	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
N content in inorganic fertiliser, tonnes N	9	9	9	9	9	6	102	28	135	158
NH_3-N emission, tonnes	1	1	1	1	1	1	5	2	5	5
N in fertiliser applied on soil, tonnes N	8	8	8	8	8	5	97	26	130	153
N_2O emission, tonnes	0.15	0.15	0.15	0.15	0.15	0.10	1.60	0.43	2.13	2.49
Continued	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
N content in inorganic fertiliser, tonnes N	117	126	114	117	128	136	144	86	273	134
NH_3-N emission, tonnes	5	5	5	5	5	5	2	2	7	5
N in fertiliser applied on soil, tonnes N	112	120	109	112	123	131	141	84	266	129
N_2O emission, tonnes	1.84	1.97	1.79	1.84	2.01	2.14	2.26	1.36	4.29	2.10
Continued	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
N content in inorganic fertiliser, tonnes N	120	163	141	136	172	148	134	59	16	146
NH_3-N emission, tonnes	5	6	6	6	6	6	5	2	1	6
N in fertiliser applied on soil, tonnes N	115	157	135	130	166	142	129	56	15	140
N_2O emission, tonnes	1.89	2.56	2.21	2.13	2.70	2.33	2.11	0.92	0.25	2.30
Continued	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024					
N content in inorganic fertiliser, tonnes N	162	195	564	721	336					
NH_3-N emission, tonnes	9	9	14	17	12					
N in fertiliser applied on soil, tonnes N	153	186	550	704	323					
N_2O emission, tonnes	2.55	3.06	8.86	11.33	5.27					

Manure applied to soils

The amount of nitrogen applied to soils from sheep in stables is estimated as the N-excretion in stables minus the ammonia emission, which occur in stables, under storage and in relation to the application of manure. There are no measurements of ammonia emission from stables in Greenland. Thus, the IPCC default for FracGASM at 0.20 is used (IPCC 2006, Table 11-3).

Table 11.5.14 shows the development in nitrogen excretion in stables, the estimated amount of N applied to soil and the N_2O emission.

Table 11.5.14 Nitrogen applied as manure to agricultural soils 1990-2024.

	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
N-excretion in stable, tonnes N	66	66	59	54	59	64	67	76	66	69
NH_3-N emission, tonnes N	13	13	12	11	12	13	13	15	13	14
N in manure applied on soil, tonnes N	53	53	47	43	47	51	53	61	53	55
N_2O emission, tonnes N_2O	0.83	0.84	0.74	0.67	0.74	0.81	0.84	0.96	0.83	0.87
Continued	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
N-excretion in stable, tonnes N	67	67	63	64	67	70	70	72	70	66
NH_3-N emission, tonnes N	13	13	13	13	13	14	14	14	14	13
N in manure applied on soil, tonnes N	54	54	50	51	54	56	56	57	56	53
N_2O emission, tonnes N_2O	0.85	0.85	0.79	0.80	0.85	0.88	0.88	0.90	0.87	0.84
Continued	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
N-excretion in stable, tonnes N	68	67	66	66	62	58	60	59	60	59
NH_3-N emission, tonnes N	14	13	13	13	12	12	12	12	12	12
N in manure applied on soil, tonnes N	55	53	53	53	49	46	48	47	48	47
N_2O emission, tonnes N_2O	0.86	0.84	0.83	0.83	0.78	0.73	0.75	0.74	0.76	0.74
Continued	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024					
N-excretion in stable, tonnes N	60	60	58	57	52					
NH_3-N emission, tonnes N	12	12	12	11	10					
N in manure applied on soil, tonnes N	48	48	47	46	42					
N_2O emission, tonnes N_2O	0.75	0.75	0.73	0.72	0.65					

Crop residue

The cultivated area is approximately 1,201 ha with the main part as grass fields. Only 10.5 ha are used for potato production. The cultivated area has increased slightly over the years.

The emission from crop residues is estimated based on the tier 1 methodology in the 2006 IPCC Guidelines. Default values for all parameters given in IPCC 2006 Table 11.2 are used.

N_2O emissions from crop residues are calculated based on the total above- and belowground Nintrogen content (N-content) in crop residue returned to soil, which in Greenland includes residue of leafs and roots from grass fields and the top and root from potatoes. Harvest of potatoes and grass-clover are calculated based on relatively few observations related to Danish conditions but are at present the best available data.

In the 2022-submission, the calculation of belowground N-content was revised. In prior submissions calculation of belowground N-content was based only on the dry matter fraction (DRY) of the harvested crop. However, Danish studies have shown that the above-ground residue dry matter (AGDM) should be included in the calculation of belowground N-content. The revised calculation of belowground N-content in crop residue has led to a higher amount of dry matter and therefore to a higher estimate of N-content in the belowground crop residue.

Table 11.5.15 N-content in crop residues 2024.

	Husks	Stubble	Top	Leafs	Frequency of ploughing	Nitrogen content in crop residue	
Crop type	kg N pr ha				No. of years between ploughing	kg N pr ha	kg N
Potatoes	7.8	-	4.8	-	1	12.7	133
Grass-Clover mixtures in rotation	-	9.5	-	4.3	5	13.8	16 425
Total N from crop residue, kg							16 558

Reference: National data and IPCC 2006 (Table 11.2).

To calculate the N_2O emission the IPCC standard emission factor 1.0 % is used. The national emission from crop residues has been relatively stable from 1990 to 2024 (Table 11.5.16).

Table 11.5.16 Emission from crop residues 1990-2024.

Crop residue	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
Potatoes, kg N	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Grass-Clover, kg N	20 783	20 997	18 667	16 953	18 581	20 298	21 027	24 125	20 783	21 907
Crop residue total, kg N	20 783	20 997	18 667	16 953	18 581	20 298	21 027	24 125	20 783	21 907
N_2O emission, kg	327	330	293	266	292	319	330	379	327	344
Continued	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Potatoes, kg N	-	63	63	63	63	63	63	63	63	82
Grass-Clover, kg N	21 320	21 268	19 780	20 084	21 256	22 230	22 201	22 634	21 983	21 002
Crop residue total, kg N	21 320	21 331	19 843	20 148	21 320	22 294	22 265	22 697	22 047	21 084
N_2O emission, kg	335	335	312	317	335	350	350	357	346	331
Continued	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Potatoes, kg N	82	133	133	133	133	133	133	133	133	133
Grass-Clover, kg N	21 617	21 099	20 969	20 851	19 541	18 251	18 969	18 547	18 992	18 547
Crop residue total, kg N	21 700	21 232	21 102	20 984	19 674	18 384	19 102	18 680	19 125	18 680
N_2O emission, kg	341	334	332	330	309	289	300	294	301	294
Continued	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024					
Potatoes, kg N	133	133	133	133	133					
Grass-Clover, kg N	18 881	18 963	18 443	18 008	16 425					
Crop residue total, kg N	19 014	19 096	18 576	18 141	16 558					
N_2O emission, kg	299	300	292	285	260					

Cultivation of histosols

N_2O emissions from histosols are based on the area with organic soils multiplied by the emission factor of 0.86 kg N_2O-N pr. hectare in 2024. See Section 11.6 on LULUCF for further description on cultivation of histosols.

Table 11.5.17 shows an increase in the N_2O emission from 1990 to 2024 due to an increase in the agricultural area.

Table 11.5.17 Activity data and emission from cultivation of histosols 1990-2024.

CRT – Table 3.D	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
Cultivated histosols, ha	123	129	136	142	149	155	161	168	174	181
N_2O emission, kg	160	169	177	186	194	203	211	220	228	237
Continued	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Cultivated histosols, ha	187	195	214	220	223	232	242	247	252	262
N_2O emission, kg	245	260	285	293	297	308	321	328	335	350
Continued	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Cultivated histosols, ha	268	270	273	275	277	282	285	287	291	293
N_2O emission, kg	357	364	367	370	373	379	383	386	391	394
Continued	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024					
Cultivated histosols, ha	294	296	296	299	300					
N_2O emission, kg	396	389	390	393	395					

Pasture, Range and Paddock

The amount of nitrogen deposited on grass includes grassing from reindeer 365 days a year and from sheep 164 days a year. An ammonia emission factor of 7 % is used for all animal categories based on investigations from the Netherlands and the United Kingdom (Jarvis et al., 1989a, Jarvis et al., 1989b and Bussink, 1994). EMEP/EEA Emission Inventory Guidebook 2019 uses a similar emission factor at 9 % for sheep (Table 3.9).

Table 11.5.18 shows the estimated values of N-excretion from grassing animals, ammonia emission and N_2O emission. Due to an overall drop in number of reindeer and recently also sheeps N_2O emission has decreased from 1990 to 2024.

Table 11.5.18 Emission from grassing animals 1990-2024.

	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
N-excretion on grass, tonnes N	88	89	81	69	75	79	81	84	88	69
NH_3-N emission, tonnes	6	6	6	5	5	6	6	6	6	5
N deposited on grass, tonnes N	82	83	75	64	69	73	75	78	82	64
N_2O emission, tonnes	1.29	1.30	1.18	1.00	1.09	1.15	1.18	1.23	1.29	1.01
Continued	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
N-excretion on grass, tonnes N	67	69	69	70	73	75	71	73	71	72
NH_3-N emission, tonnes	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
N deposited on grass, tonnes N	62	64	64	65	68	70	66	68	66	67
N_2O emission, tonnes	0.97	1.01	1.01	1.02	1.06	1.10	1.03	1.06	1.04	1.05
Continued	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
N-excretion on grass, tonnes N	73	72	72	71	68	65	66	65	66	65
NH_3-N emission, tonnes	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
N deposited on grass, tonnes N	68	67	67	66	63	60	62	61	62	61
N_2O emission, tonnes	1.07	1.05	1.05	1.04	0.99	0.94	0.97	0.95	0.97	0.95
Continued	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024					
N-excretion on grass, tonnes N	66	66	65	64	49					
NH_3-N emission, tonnes	5	5	5	4	3					
N deposited on grass, tonnes N	62	62	60	59	46					
N_2O emission, tonnes	0.97	0.97	0.95	0.93	0.72					

Indirect emissions

Atmospheric deposition

Atmospheric deposition includes ammonia emission from manure management, use of inorganic fertiliser and from grassing animals.

N_2O emission from atmospheric deposition has more than doubled since 1990. Even though the number of reindeer and sheep has decreased, the increasing use of inorganic fertiliser has increased total N_2O emission from atmospheric deposition by 948.1 % from 1990 to 2024.

Table 11.5.19 Emission from atmospheric deposition 1990-2024.

	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
NH_3-N manure management, tonnes	13	13	12	11	12	13	13	15	13	14
NH_3-N inorganic fertlizer, tonnes	1	1	1	1	1	1	5	2	5	5
NH_3-N pasture, tonnes	6	6	6	5	5	6	6	6	6	5
NH_3-N total, tonnes	21	21	19	17	18	19	24	23	24	24
N_2O emission, tonnes	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.01	0.08	0.02	0.08	0.09
Continued	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
NH_3-N manure management, tonnes	13	13	13	13	13	14	14	14	14	13
NH_3-N inorganic fertlizer, tonnes	5	5	5	5	5	5	2	2	7	5
NH_3-N pasture, tonnes	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
NH_3-N total, tonnes	23	23	22	22	24	25	21	22	26	24
N_2O emission, tonnes	0.08	0.08	0.07	0.08	0.08	0.09	0.04	0.04	0.11	0.08
Continued	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
NH_3-N manure management, tonnes	14	13	13	13	12	12	12	12	12	12
NH_3-N inorganic fertlizer, tonnes	5	6	6	6	6	6	5	2	1	6
NH_3-N pasture, tonnes	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
NH_3-N total, tonnes	24	24	24	24	23	22	22	19	17	23
N_2O emission, tonnes	0.08	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.10	0.08	0.04	0.01	0.10
Continued	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024					
NH_3-N manure management, tonnes	12	12	12	11	10					
NH_3-N inorganic fertlizer, tonnes	9	9	14	17	12					
NH_3-N pasture, tonnes	5	5	5	4	3					
NH_3-N total, tonnes	26	25	31	32	26					
N_2O emission, tonnes	0.14	0.14	0.23	0.26	0.19					

Nitrogen leaching and Run-off

The amount of nitrogen lost by leaching and run-off is calculated by using the IPCC default FracLEACH-(H) at 0.3 (IPCC 2006, Table 11.3).

N_2O emission from N-leaching and runoff has increased significantly from 1990 to 2024.

From 1990 to 2024 total nitrogen content in manure has decreased due to a fall in the number of reindeer and sheep. However, in the same period the use of inorganic fertilisers has increased significantly causing the overall N_2O emission from N-leaching and runoff to increase. The annual use of inorganic fertiliser seems to fluctuate from year to year, causing overall N_2O emission from N-leaching and runoff to vary from year to year as well.

Table 11.5.20 Emission from N-leaching and runoff 1990-2024.

	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
N-excretion total, tonnes N	154	155	140	122	133	143	147	161	154	138
N in inorganic fertiliser, tonnes	9	9	9	9	9	6	102	28	135	158
N_2O emission, tonnes	0.11	0.11	0.10	0.09	0.10	0.09	0.44	0.18	0.55	0.64
Continued	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
N-excretion total, tonnes N	134	137	132	133	140	146	141	144	141	138
N in inorganic fertiliser, tonnes	117	126	114	117	128	136	144	86	273	134
N_2O emission, tonnes	0.49	0.52	0.47	0.48	0.53	0.56	0.59	0.39	1.04	0.55
Continued	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
N-excretion total, tonnes N	142	139	138	137	130	122	126	124	127	124
N in inorganic fertiliser, tonnes	120	163	141	136	172	148	134	59	16	146
N_2O emission, tonnes	0.50	0.65	0.57	0.55	0.68	0.59	0.54	0.27	0.12	0.58
Continued	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024					
N-excretion total, tonnes N	126	126	123	121	101					
N in inorganic fertiliser, tonnes	162	195	564	721	336					
N_2O emission, tonnes	0.64	0.76	2.06	2.61	1.25					

Activity data

Table 11.5.21 provides an overview of activity data from 1990 to 2024 used for the estimation of N_2O emission from agricultural soils. For all emission sources, the unit tonnes of nitrogen are used except from cultivation of histosols, where the unit is given as hectare.

Table 11.5.21 Activity data - agricultural soils 1990-2024, tonnes N (cultivation of histosols = ha).

CRT – Table 3.D	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
A. Direct N_2O emissions from managed soils										
Inorganic fertiliser	9	9	9	9	9	6	102	28	135	158
Animal manure applied to soils	53	53	47	43	47	51	53	61	53	55
Urine and dung deposited by grazing animals	82	83	75	64	69	73	75	78	82	64
Crop residue	21	21	19	17	19	20	21	24	21	22
Cultivation of histosols	123	129	136	142	149	155	161	168	174	181
B. Indirect N_2O emissions from managed soils										
Atmospheric deposition	1	1	1	1	1	1	5	2	5	5
Nitrogen leaching and run-off	9	9	8	8	8	8	37	16	47	54
Continued	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
A. Direct N_2O emissions from managed soils										
Inorganic fertiliser	117	126	114	117	128	136	144	86	273	134
Animal manure applied to soils	54	54	50	51	54	56	56	57	56	53
Urine and dung deposited by grazing animals	62	64	64	65	68	70	66	68	66	67
Crop residue	21	21	20	20	21	22	22	23	22	21
Cultivation of histosols	187	195	214	220	223	232	242	247	252	262
B. Indirect N_2O emissions from managed soils										
Atmospheric deposition	5	5	5	5	5	5	2	2	7	5
Nitrogen leaching and run-off	41	44	40	41	45	47	50	33	89	46
Continued	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
A. Direct N_2O emissions from managed soils										
Inorganic fertiliser	120	163	141	136	172	148	134	59	16	146
Animal manure applied to soils	55	53	53	53	49	46	48	47	48	47
Urine and dung deposited by grazing animals	68	67	67	66	63	60	62	61	62	61
Crop residue	22	21	21	21	20	18	19	19	19	19
Cultivation of histosols	268	270	273	275	277	282	285	287	291	293
B. Indirect N_2O emissions from managed soils										
Atmospheric deposition	5	6	6	6	6	6	5	2	1	6
Nitrogen leaching and run-off	43	55	49	47	57	50	46	23	11	49
Continued	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024					
A. Direct N_2O emissions from managed soils										
Inorganic fertiliser	162	195	564	721	336					
Animal manure applied to soils	48	48	47	46	42					
Urine and dung deposited by grazing animals	62	62	60	59	46					
Crop residue	19	19	19	18	17					
Cultivation of histosols	294	296	296	299	300					
B. Indirect N_2O emissions from managed soils										
Atmospheric deposition	9	9	14	17	12					
Nitrogen leaching and run-off	54	64	175	222	106					

Time series consistency

N_2O emissions from agricultural soils have increased from 2.9 tonnes N_2O in 1990 to 8.7 tonnes N_2O in 2024, see Table 11.5.22.

Table 11.5.22 Emissions of N_2O from Agricultural Soils 1990–2024, tonnes N_2O.

CRT – Table 3.D	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
Total N_2O emission	2.9	2.9	2.7	2.4	2.6	2.7	4.7	3.4	5.4	5.7
A. Direct N_2O emissions from managed soils										
Inorganic fertiliser	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	1.6	0.4	2.1	2.5
Animal manure applied on soil	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.8	1.0	0.8	0.9
Urine and dung deposited by grazing animals	1.3	1.3	1.2	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.3	1.0
Crop residue	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.3
Cultivation of histosols	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
B. Indirect N_2O emissions from managed soils										
Atmospheric deposition	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1
Nitrogen leaching and run-off	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.4	0.2	0.6	0.6
Continued	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Total N_2O emission	4.8	5.0	4.7	4.8	5.2	5.4	5.5	4.4	8.0	5.3
A. Direct N_2O emissions from managed soils										
Inorganic fertiliser	1.8	2.0	1.8	1.8	2.0	2.1	2.3	1.4	4.3	2.1
Animal manure applied on soil	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.8
Urine and dung deposited by grazing animals	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.0	1.1	1.0	1.0
Crop residue	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.3
Cultivation of histosols	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3
B. Indirect N_2O emissions from managed soils										
Atmospheric deposition	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1
Nitrogen leaching and run-off	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.4	1.0	0.5
Continued	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Total N_2O emission	5.1	5.9	5.4	5.3	5.9	5.4	5.1	3.6	2.8	5.4
A. Direct N_2O emissions from managed soils										
Inorganic fertiliser	1.9	2.6	2.2	2.1	2.7	2.3	2.1	0.9	0.3	2.3
Animal manure applied on soil	0.9	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.8	0.7	0.8	0.7
Urine and dung deposited by grazing animals	1.1	1.1	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Crop residue	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3
Cultivation of histosols	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4
B. Indirect N_2O emissions from managed soils										
Atmospheric deposition	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1
Nitrogen leaching and run-off	0.5	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.6	0.5	0.3	0.1	0.6
Continued	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024					
Total N_2O emission	5.7	6.4	13.5	16.5	8.7					
A. Direct N_2O emissions from managed soils										
Inorganic fertiliser	2.6	3.1	8.9	11.3	5.3					
Animal manure applied on soil	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.7					
Urine and dung deposited by grazing animals	1.0	1.0	0.9	0.9	0.7					
Crop residue	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3					
Cultivation of histosols	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4					
B. Indirect N_2O emissions from managed soils										
Atmospheric deposition	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.2					
Nitrogen leaching and run-off	0.6	0.8	2.1	2.6	1.2					

11.5.6 Uncertainties

A tier 1 uncertainty assessment has been carried out in accordance with the IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006). The uncertainty has been estimated for all sources included in the reporting for the agricultural sector. The uncertainties for the activity data and emission factors are shown in Table 11.5.23.

Table 11.5.23 Uncertainties for activity data and emission factors for agriculture.

Subsector	Pollutant	Activity data uncertainty	Emission factor uncertainty
3A Enteric Fermentation	CH_4	10	100
3B Manure Management	CH_4	10	100
3B Manure Management	N_2O	10	100
3D Agricultural soils	N_2O	20	50
3G Liming	CO_2	5	50

The resulting uncertainties for the individual greenhouse gases and the total uncertainty on the greenhouse gas emission are shown in Table 11.5.24.

Table 11.5.24 Uncertainties for the emission estimates.

	Uncertainty %	Trend 1990-2024 %	Trend uncertainty %
GHG	± 67	15.2	± 19.8
CO_2	± 50	- 50.0	± 3.5
CH_4	± 98	- 33.4	± 9.2
N_2O	± 48	89.2	± 76.7

11.5.7 Source specific QA/QC

The elaboration of a formal QA/QC plan is to be completed.

However, data on livestock, land-use categories, inorganic fertilisers and cultivation of histosols has gone through a great deal of quality work with regards to accuracy, comparability and completeness.

All external data used for the emission inventory submission are archived in spreadsheets. Data are archived annually to ensure that the basic data for a given report are always available in their original form.

Annual data on livestock, land-use categories, inorganic fertilisers and cultivation of histosols are compared with previous years and large discrepancies are checked.

Safely stored and quality checked activity data are then processes by using a methodological approach consistent with international guidelines.

Calculated emission factors are compared with guideline emission factors to ensure that they are reasonable. The calculations follow the principle in international guidelines.

During data processing, it is checked that calculations are being carried out correctly. However, a documentation plan for this needs to be elaborated.

Time series for activity data, emission factors and calculated emissions are used to identify possible errors in the calculation procedure. In fact, during the calculation, numerous controls take place to ensure correctness. Sums are checked of the various stages in the calculation procedure. Implied emission factors are compared to emission factors.

Every single time series imported to the CRT Reporter is checked for annual activity, units for activity, emission factor and emissions. Additional checks are performed on the database. The database encloses every single activity data,

emission factors, emission, notation key and comment imported to the CRT Reporter.

11.5.8 Source specific recalculations and improvements

In this 2026 submission there have some minor revisions in the agricultural sector.

Table 11.5.25 shows recalculations in the agricultural sector compared to the 2025 submission. Only minor changes occur.

Table 11.5.25 Changes in GHG emission in the agricultural sector compared to the 2025 submission.

	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
Previous inventory, Gg CO_2 eqv.	10.3	10.4	9.3	8.2	9.0	9.6	10.4	11.0	11.0	10.2
Recalculated, Gg CO_2 eqv.	10.3	10.4	9.3	8.2	9.0	9.6	10.4	11.0	11.0	10.2
Change in Gg CO_2 eqv.	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Change in pct.	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Continued	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Previous inventory, Gg CO_2 eqv.	9.7	9.9	9.5	9.6	10.2	10.6	10.3	10.3	11.0	10.1
Recalculated, Gg CO_2 eqv.	9.7	9.9	9.5	9.6	10.2	10.6	10.3	10.3	11.0	10.1
Change in Gg CO_2 eqv.	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Change in pct.	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Continued	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Previous inventory, Gg CO_2 eqv.	10.2	10.3	10.1	10.0	9.7	9.1	9.3	8.7	8.7	9.2
Recalculated, Gg CO_2 eqv.	10.2	10.3	10.1	10.0	9.7	9.1	9.3	8.7	8.7	9.2
Change in Gg CO_2 eqv.	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Change in pct.	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Continued	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024					
Previous inventory, Gg CO_2 eqv.	9.4	9.6	11.3	11.9	-					
Recalculated, Gg CO_2 eqv.	9.4	9.6	11.3	11.9	8.7					
Change in Gg CO_2 eqv.	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-					
Change in pct.	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-					

11.5.9 Source specific planned improvements

The Greenlandic emission inventory for the agricultural sector largely meets the request as set down in the IPCC Good Practice Guidance. Thus, for the moment improvements especially concern the QA/QC practice.

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11.6 LULUCF (CRT sector 4)

11.6.1 Overview of LULUCF

This LULUCF chapter covers only the territory of Greenland. Greenland is part of the Danish Kingdom.



Figure 11.6.1 Municipalities and major cities in Greenland.

Greenland is the world's largest non-continental island located on the northern American continent between the Arctic Ocean and the North Atlantic Ocean, northeast of Canada. The northernmost point of Greenland, Cape Morris Jesup, is only 740 km from the North Pole. The southernmost point is Cape Farewell, which lies at about the same latitude as Oslo in Norway. Geographical coordinates are 72 00 N, 40 00 W.

Greenland covers approximately 2,166,086 km^2. It has been estimated that 81 % is covered permanently with ice leaving only 410,449 km^2 ice free. The distance from the South to the North is 2,670 km, and from East to West 1,050 km.

The terrain is flat to gradually sloping ice cap, which covers all but a narrow, mountainous, barren, rocky coast. The ice cap is up to 3 km thick and contains 10 per cent of the world's resources of freshwater.

The climate is arctic to sub-arctic with cool winters and cold summers in which the mean temperature does not exceed 10° C.

The mean temperature in 2024 in January was for Nuuk -5.7 °C and for July 5.60 °C (DMI, 2025).

Greenland is normally defined as having three different climatic zones. For the purpose of reporting is used the definition "Polar and Moist" according to IPCC 2006 Guidelines although some areas may qualify as arctic deserts.

The sparse population is confined to small settlements along the coast, but close to one-quarter of the population lives in the capital, Nuuk. In January 2025 the total Greenlandic population was 56 500 inhabitants.

Due to the cold climate and the constant small population, there is almost no land use change occurring. The total area with Forests has been estimated to 218.5 hectares and 10.5 hectares with Cropland. Grassland is divided into improved Grassland covering 1 186 hectares and unimproved Grassland covering 240 814 hectares. Wetlands consist of man-made water reservoirs – in total 1 076 hectares. Settlements cover 6 098 hectares. Land classified as "Other Land" is then 99.9 % of the total area.

In the following text the abbreviations are used in accordance with definitions in the IPCC guidelines:

A:	Afforestation, areas which have been forested within the last 30 years.
D:	Deforestation, areas where forests are permanently removed to allow for other land use.
FF:	Forest remaining Forest, areas remaining for the last 30 years
FL:	Forest Land meeting the definition of forests.
CL:	Cropland.
GL:	Grassland.
SE:	Settlements.
OL:	Other land, unclassified land.
HWP:	Harvested Wood Products.

The LULUCF sector differs from the other sectors in that it contains both sources and sinks of carbon dioxide. LULUCF are reported in the CRT format. Removals are given as negative figures and emissions are reported as positive figures in accordance with the guidelines.

In total the LULUCF sector has been estimated as a net source of 1.314 kt CO_2 equivalents in 2024 equivalent to 0.2 % of the total Greenlandic emission.

The overall land use change from 1990 to 2024 is very small. Afforestation has been made on 14 hectares. No deforestation has occurred, and the Cropland area has increased from none to 10.5 hectares.

The emission data are reported in the CRT format under IPCC categories 4A (Forestry), 4B (Cropland), 4C (Grassland), 4D (Wetlands), 4E (Settlements) and 4F (Other Land).

Fertilisation of forests and other land is not occurring, and all fertiliser consumption is therefore reported in the agricultural sector. No drainage of forest soils is made. All liming is reported under Grassland because liming is not occurring in the forests and the very small area with Cropland. Field burning of wooden biomass is not occurring. Wildfires may occur sporadic in the mountains, and these are reported as "Other land". Hence, wildfires are reported as NO.

Table 11.6.1 gives an overview of the emission from the LULUCF sector in Greenland. The Forests are a net sink. Cropland is ranging from being zero in 1990 (no Cropland was occurring in 1990) to being a net source in 2024. Grassland has been estimated to be a net source too. The major emission from Cropland and Grassland in 2024 is due to cultivation of organic soils.

Table 11.6.1 Overall emission (kt CO_2 eq) from the LULUCF sector in Greenland, 1990-2024.

	1990	2000	2010	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
4. Land use, land-use change and forestry	0.26	0.58	1.02	1.33	1.40	1.36	1.26	1.31
A. Forest land	0.05	0.01	0.01	-0.02	-0.02	-0.02	-0.03	-0.03
B. Cropland	NA	NA	0.03	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05
C. Grassland	0.21	0.56	0.98	1.30	1.37	1.34	1.24	1.30
D. Wetlands	NA,NE	NA,NE	NA,NE	NA,NE	NA,NE	NA,NE	NA,NE	NA,NE
E. Settlements	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
F. Other land	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
G. Harvested wood products	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

11.6.1 Forest remaining forest (4A1)

Forests and forest management

Greenland has virtually no forests and therefore there are no official forest statistics. All forests are situated in the most southern part of Greenland. To introduce trees to Greenland research were carried out to find species adaptable to the Greenlandic climate. This resulted in establishment of the Greenlandic Arboretum, which covers 150 hectares out of the total area of 218.5 hectares, Figure 11.6.2 and Table 11.6.2. Information about the Greenlandic Arboret can be found at https://ign.ku.dk/arboret-groenland/

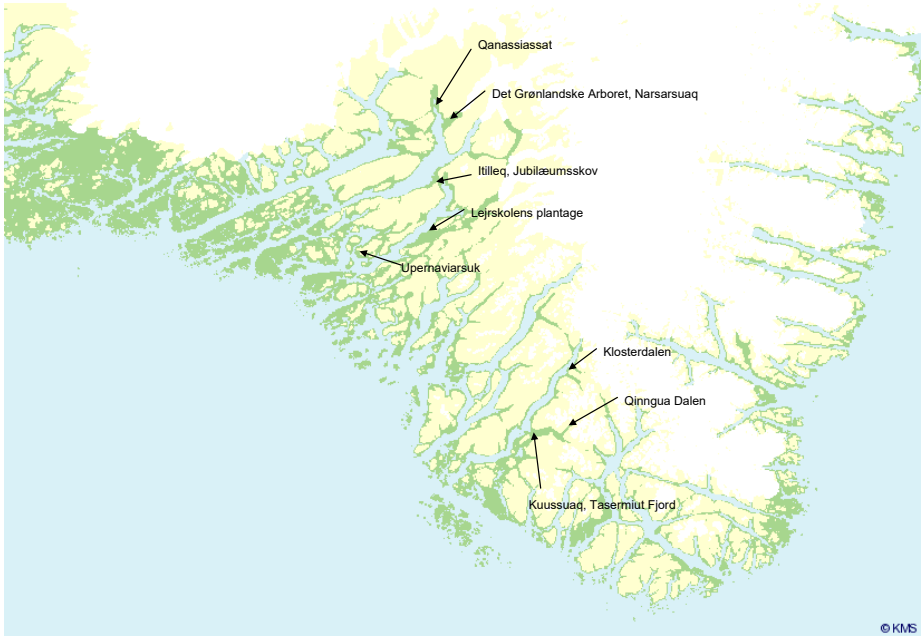


Figure 11.6.2 The position of the Greenlandic forests.
(Courtesy to Rasmus Enoksen Christensen).

Table 11.6.2 Forests in Greenland 1990 and 2024.

Location	Established	Dominant	Area,ha	1990 Average tree height, m	2024 Average tree height, m	Density 1990 (trees pr ha)	Density 2009
Qinngua Valley	Natural	Birch and mountain ash	45	n.a	6.0	100	100
Qanassiassat Forest	1953-63	Conifer	1	5.0	15.0	1500	1000
Kuussuaq Forest	1962-82	Conifer	5	3.0	15.0	1300	900
Kuussuaq Forest	2008	Conifer	3	***	< 1	***	3500
Greenland, Aboretum	(1976-1980)	Conifer	3	4.0	7.0	300	300
Greenland, Aboretum	1980 -	Conifer	150	2.0	3.0	1500	1700
Itilleq	2004-2005	Conifer	6	***	< 1	***	3500
Upernaviarsuk	1954	Conifer	0.5	1.5	3.0	200	200
Lejrskolen	1999-2005	Conifer	4	***	1.0	***	2500
Klosterdalen	2000	Conifer	1	***	1.0	***	2000
Total			218.5				

Forest definition

The forest definition adopted in Greenland is almost identical to the FAO definition (TBFRA, 2000). It includes "wooded areas larger than 0.5 ha, that form a forest with a height of at least 5 m and crown cover of at least 10 %. The minimum width is 20 m." Temporarily non wooded areas, fire breaks, and other small open areas, that are an integrated part of the forest, are also included. However, due to extreme slow growing rates many of the forests are currently below 5 meters height.

Figure 11.6.3 shows a picture of the best developed forest in Greenland.



Figure 11.6.3 The forest in Kuusuaq. Photo: Rasmus E. Christensen, 2005.

Of special interest is the forest in Qinngua Valley. The Qinngua Valley is situated in a remote area. It consists of natural birch (*Betula pubescens spp. czerepanovii* and *B. glandulosa.)* which develops to forest-like trees probably due to an introgressiv hybridisation (Rasmus Enoksen Christensen). This forest will probably not follow the FAO forest definition but are included in the inventory as a sub-division under forests. The Qinngua-valley is not included in the FAO forest statistics.



Figure 11.6.4 Kuussuaq, Tasermiut fjor. Photo: Rasmus E. Christensen, Juni 2004.

Methodological issues for forests

Estimation of volume, biomass and carbon pools

Due to lack of precise data and slow growth rates, simple functions are used that only include the height of the trees and the number per hectare.

The height of the trees has been estimated by Rasmus Enoksen Christensen based on data from the Aboretum. It is assumed that the trees are conical and the stem diameter at ground level is based on the general formula for even-aged forests (Vanclay, 2009).

$$D = \beta(H - 1.3)/\ln(N) \qquad \text{(eqv.1)}$$

Where:
D = diameter at breast height, cm
ß = slope, species dependent
H = Height of the trees (meters)
N = Number of trees per hectare

Eq. 1 has been simplified by omitting the breast height (1.3 meters) to

$$D = \beta(H)/\ln(N) \qquad \text{(eqv.2)}$$

so that D represents the diameter at ground level. The ß-value used is given in Table 11.6.3.

Table 11.6.3 ß-values for estimating the diameter of trees (from Vanclay, 2009).

	Betula, spp	Conifers
ß-values	6.54	7.51

In order to estimate the C stock and C stock change, the average default values from the IPCC 2006 guidelines is used for BCEF, density, C-content and Root-Shoot ratio for Boreal stands with a growing stock level of 21-50 m^3, IPCC table 4.5, pp 4.50. The values are given in Table 11.6.4.

Table 11.6.4 Biomass expansion factors used for Greenland.

		Qinngua Walley (Betula, spp.) Birch	Conifers	Orpiuteqarfia (Larix sibirica) Sibirian Larch)
BCEF	Dimensionless	0.7	0.66	0.78
Density	kg dry matter per litre	0.51	0.4	0.46
C-content	kg C per kg dry matter	0.48	0.51	0.51
Root-shoot-ratio	Dimensionless	0.39	0.39	0.39
Dead Organic Matter	kg per kg aboveground biomass	0.1	0.2	0.1

Source: IPCC 2006 guidelines.

Dead wood volume, biomass and carbon

The volume of dead organic matter (DOM) is estimated as a fraction of the aboveground biomass (Table 11.6.4). It is assumed that litter is included in DOM.

Forest soils: forest floors and mineral soil

Following the cold climate and the slow growing rate it is assumed that no changes take place in C-stock in the soil and hereby following the IPCC 2006 guidelines at Tier 1 level.

Uncertainties and time series consistency

The uncertainty in estimation of the C stock changes in the Greenlandic forests is very high. As there are very limited resources to visit and monitor in the remote areas there are very few data available. The current inventory is therefore based on the best knowledge available. It should also be taken into consideration that the importance of the forest sector in Greenland is marginal as only very little thinning is taking place as well as no deforestation and the fact that the effect on the inventory is almost not measurable.

In the overall uncertainty section for the LULUCF is made a Tier 1 uncertainty analysis.

QA/QC and verification
Focus on the measurements of carbon pools in forest in Greenland will contribute to QA/QC and verification, but presently there are no plans to a further monitoring of the Greenlandic forests.

Recalculations and changes made in response to the review process
No recalculations have been made.

Planned improvements
No improvements are planned.

11.6.2 Land converted to forests (4A2)

Forest area
See Section 11.2.1 Information on approaches used for representing land areas and on land-use databases used for the inventory preparation.

Forest definition
See Section 11.2.1 Land-use definitions and the classification systems used and their correspondence to the LULUCF categories (e.g., land use and land-use change matrix).

Methodological issues for land converted to forest
See also Section 11.2.1.

Since 1990, there has been a slight increase in the forest area of 14 hectares. This has taken place on land converted from "OL".

Uncertainties and time series consistency
For time series consistency, see Section 11.2.1. For uncertainties, please see Chapter 11.6.15.

QA/QC and verification
No QA/QC plan has been made yet. The afforestated area is known.

Recalculations, including changes made in response to the review process
None

Planned improvements
No improvements are planned.

11.6.3 Cropland (4B)

Cropland and cropland management (4B1)
In 1990, there was no cropland occurring in Greenland. Due to global warming, it is now possible to have a few crops, which may mature. In 2001, the first five hectares with annual crops were established. These are reported under 5.B.2. A more intensive description of the agriculture in Greenland can be found at http://nunalerineq.gl/english/landbrug/jord/index-jord.htm

Land converted to cropland (4B2)
In 2001, the first annual crops were grown in Greenland. Approximately five hectares of garden crops were grown. Of this is it assumed that 25 % of the area is on organic soils (pers. comm. with Kenneth Høeg, former chief agricultural advisor in Greenland). The area converted to cropland was improved grassland.





Figure 11.6.5 Cropland and Grassland in Greenland.
(Photos from: http://nunalerineq.gl/english/landbrug/landbrug/index-landbrug.htm).

The region is generally characterized by a slightly podsol type of soil with a low pH value and small amounts of accessible plant nutrients. Larger concentrations of clay rarely occur, but considerable quantities of silt are often observable on the surface. Also, a certain amount of brown earth occurs in inland areas.

Methodological issues

Change in carbon stock in living biomass

For land converted to cropland is used a standard default value of 5,000 kg DM (dry matter) per hectare in above- and below-ground (IPCC 2006).

Change in carbon stock in dead organic matter

No organic matter is reported under Cropland.

Change in carbon stock in soils

No C stock changes in mineral soils are assumed. The emission in the 25 % organic soils is estimated by using the IPCC 2006 default value for cropland, Table 5.6 pp 5.19 of 5,000 kg C per ha per year. The emission factors for organic soils in the 2013 Wetland Supplement to the 2006 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories: Wetlands (IPCC 2014a) are based on expert judgement assumed to be too high for the cold conditions in Greenland.

Uncertainties and time series consistency

The time series is complete. For uncertainties, please see Chapter 11.6.15.

Category-specific QA/QC and verification

The number of hectares is provided by the Greenlandic Agricultural Consulting Services. As agricultural activities are economically subsidised in Greenland the figures are very accurate.

Category-specific recalculation

No recalculation has been made.

Category-specific planned improvements
No improvements are planned.

11.6.4 Grassland (4C)

Grassland remaining grassland (4C1)
Grassland in Greenland is dominated by unimproved grassland where the sheep are grazing. The total area with Grassland has been estimated to 241,991 hectares. Of these, only approximately 1,189 hectares are improved where stones have been removed combined with sowing of more high yielding species, see Figure 11.6.5.

Since 1990, the area with improved grassland has been extended from 490 hectares to 1,189 hectares.

Methodological issues for grassland
Grassland is divided into improved and unmanaged Grassland.

Change in carbon stock in living biomass
As more Grassland becomes improved the amount of living biomass at peak is increased. To estimate the amount of living biomass in improved Grassland is using the same default value as for Cropland e.g., 5,000 kg DM per hectare, IPCC 2006 default value for cropland, Table 5.9 pp 5.28. For unmanaged Grassland is used a default value of 1700 kg DM per hectare according to IPCC 2006 default, Table 6.4 pp 6.27. No estimates for below-ground biomass are given. For conversion from DM to C is used a default value of 0.5 kg C per kg DM.

Change in carbon stock in dead organic matter
No changes in dead organic matter are estimated as this is not occurring for this category.

Change in carbon stock in soils
No changes in the carbon stock in mineral soils are assumed. For organic soils on improved grassland is used a default EF of 1,250 kg C per ha per year (IPCC, 2006) default value for grassland, Table 6.3 pp 6.17. For unmanaged grassland no carbon stock change is expected. The emission factors for organic soils in the 2013 Wetland Supplement to the 2006 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories: Wetlands (IPCC 2014a) are based on expert judgement assumed to be too high for the cold conditions in Greenland.

Uncertainties and time series consistency
The time series is complete. For uncertainties, please se Chapter 11.6.15.

Category-specific QA/QC and verification
The number of hectares is provided by the Greenlandic Agricultural Consulting Services. As the agriculture is subsidised in Greenland the figures are very accurate.

Recalculations
A minor update of the 2022 area with managed grassland has been made, which reflects the emission estimates.

Planned improvements
No improvements are planned.

11.6.5 Wetlands (4D)

Wetlands in Greenland include only human made water reservoirs and not naturally occurring wetlands. In total, 1,076 hectares with ponds and water reservoirs distributed on 48 locations are reported.

No emission estimates from these reservoirs have yet been made.

Uncertainties and time series consistency

Not estimated.

QA/QC and verification

QA and QC have been made by DCE and Statistics Greenland.

Recalculations

No recalculations have been made.

Category-specific planned improvements

No improvements are planned.

11.6.6 Settlements (4E)

In total there are approximately 56,500 inhabitants in Greenland with about one quarter of the population in the capital, Nuuk.

Table 11.6.5 Inhabitants and the area occupied with houses, hectares.

	1990	2000	2015	2024
Inhabitants	55,558	56,245	55,847	56,542
Settlements, total, ha	4,787	4,892	5,945	6,098

The cities are built on the rocky coastline where almost no vegetation occurs. Consequently, estimates for C stock in living biomass and in soil have been made.

The small increase in the area with Settlements since 1990 has taken place on "Other land".

Currently, no official data or measurements of the area of villages and settlements are available. Alternatively, land utilized for villages and settlements has been measured using NunaGIS, which is a digital internet atlas displaying maps over villages and settlements in Greenland. NunaGIS is available at www.nunagis.gl.

11.6.7 Other land (4F)

The major part of Greenland is covered with snow or rocks. Thus, Other Land consists of 99.9 % of the total area.

No emission estimates have been made for this area.

Global warming can be seen in Greenland with longer and warmer summers, which again increases the amount of living biomass. Especially since the early 1990's, changes have been observed in the environment e.g. as the area with Cropland and Grassland has increased. However, no methodology exists currently to estimate a proper estimate of the amount of living biomass in the large area classified as "Other land".

11.6.8 Harwested Wood Products (4G)

Due to the very low area with slowgrowing forests and the constant Grenlandic population is it assumed that no national changes in the carbon stock in Harwested Wood Products (HWP) are taking place.

11.6.9 Direct nitrous oxide (N_2O) emissions from nitrogen (N) inputs to managed soils– 4(I)

Reported under 3.D.

11.6.10 Emissions and removals from drainage and rewetting and other management of organic and mineral soils – 4(II)

Not occurring.

11.6.11 Direct nitrous oxide (N_2O) emissions from nitrogen (N) mineralization/immobilization associated with loss/gain of soil organic matter - 4(III)

Not occurring.

11.6.12 Indirect nitrous oxide (N_2O) emissions from managed soils– 4(IV)

Reported under 3.D.

11.6.13 Biomass burning – 4(V)

No biomass burning takes place in Greenland, and wildfire rarely occurs due to the moist climate.

11.6.14 Uncertainties

A tier 1 uncertainty assessment has been carried out in accordance with the IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006). The uncertainty has been estimated for all sources included in the reporting for LULUCF. The uncertainties for the activity data and emission factors are shown in Table 11.6.6.

Table 11.6.6 Uncertainties for activity data and emission factors for LULUCF.

Subsector	Pollutant	Activity data uncertainty	Emission factor uncertainty
4A Forest	CO_2	5	50
4B Cropland	CO_2	5	50
4C Grassland	CO_2	5	50
4A Forest	CH_4	5	50
4C Grassland	CH_4	5	50
4A Forest	N_2O	5	50

The assumed uncertainties represent expert judgement.

The resulting uncertainties for the individual greenhouse gases and the total uncertainty on the greenhouse gas emission are shown in Table 11.6.7.

Table 11.6.7 Uncertainties for the emission estimates.

	1990 Emission/sink, kt CO_2 eqv.	2024 Emission/sink, kt CO_2 eqv.	Activity data, %	Emission factor, %	Combined uncertainty	Total kt CO_2 eqv.
5. LULUCF	0.262	1.314	5	50	50.2	± 66.01
5.A Forests	0.052	-0.032	5	50	50.2	± -1.63
5.B Cropland	0.000	0.048	5	50	50.2	± 2.42
5.C.Grassland	0.210	1.298	5	50	50.2	± 65.22

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11.7 Waste (CRT sector 5)

11.7.1 Overview of sector

The waste sector consists of the CRT source category 5.A. Solid Waste Disposal, 5.C. Incineration and Open Burning of Waste and 5.D. Wastewater Treatment and Discharge.

In CO_2 equivalents, the waste sector (without LULUCF) contributes with 2.5 % of the overall greenhouse gas emission in 2024. This corresponds to an emission of 16.4 Gg CO_2 equivalents.

The Greenlandic inventory includes CH_4 emissions from managed and unmanaged waste disposal sites on land, N_2O from wastewater and CO_2, CH_4, N_2O, NO_x, CO, NMVOC and SO_2 from open burning and waste incineration and open burning. Only emissions from waste incineration without energy recovery are included in the waste sector. Emissions from waste incineration with energy recovery are included in the energy sector.

There is no biological treatment of waste in Greenland. Greenland has an arctic climate and mostly consists of rocks with very little soil. Therefore, it is not a suitable place for composting waste because, in addition to the difficulties that sub-zero temperatures present for composting, there is no use for compost in such a climate.

Table 11.7.1 shows greenhouse gas emissions from the waste sector. The emissions are taken from the CRT tables and are presented as rounded figures.

Table 11.7.1 Emissions from the waste sector, Gg CO_2 equivalents.

		1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
5A Solid waste disposal	CH_4	5.1	5.2	5.3	5.4	5.4	5.5	5.6	5.7	5.8	5.8
5B Incineration and open burning	CO_2	2.6	2.6	2.6	2.6	2.7	2.7	2.9	3.1	3.5	3.4
5B Incineration and open burning	CH_4	3.0	3.0	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.0	2.7
5B Incineration and open burning	N_2O	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.6
5C Wastewater treatment and discharge	N_2O	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8
5. Waste total		18.1	18.2	18.3	18.5	18.7	18.8	19.1	19.3	19.7	19.4
Continued		2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
5A Solid waste disposal	CH_4	5.8	5.8	5.8	5.8	5.7	5.7	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.5
5B Incineration and open burning	CO_2	3.2	3.3	3.2	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1
5B Incineration and open burning	CH_4	2.4	2.4	2.3	2.2	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1
5B Incineration and open burning	N_2O	0.5	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5
5C Wastewater treatment and discharge	N_2O	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8	7.0	7.2	5.9
5. Waste total		18.7	18.8	18.7	18.4	18.2	18.2	18.2	18.3	18.4	17.1
Continued		2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
5A Solid waste disposal	CH_4	5.5	5.5	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.3	5.3	5.3
5B Incineration and open burning	CO_2	3.1	3.2	3.2	3.3	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.4
5B Incineration and open burning	CH_4	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.2	2.2
5B Incineration and open burning	N_2O	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5
5C Wastewater treatment and discharge	N_2O	5.8	5.5	5.4	4.5	4.4	4.2	4.6	4.3	4.7	4.8
5. Waste total		17.0	16.8	16.7	15.9	15.7	15.6	16.0	15.6	16.1	16.2
Continued		2020	2021	2022	2023	2024					
5A Solid waste disposal	CH_4	5.3	5.3	5.3	5.3	5.3					
5B Incineration and open burning	CO_2	3.4	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5					
5B Incineration and open burning	CH_4	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2					
5B Incineration and open burning	N_2O	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5					
5C Wastewater treatment and discharge	N_2O	5.2	5.2	5.2	5.5	4.8					
5. Waste total		16.6	16.6	16.7	17.0	16.4					

The largest sources of greenhouse gas emission from the waste sector in 2024 are CH_4 emission from solid waste disposal (32.4 %) followed by N_2O emission from wastewater treatment and discharge (29.4 %) and CO_2 from waste incineration and open burning (21.5 %).

Total greenhouse gas emission from the waste sector has decreased by 9.5 % since 1990. In 2024, emissions from all sources were more or less unchanged. However, N_2O emission from wastewater treatment and discharge decreased by 12.3 %.

11.7.2 Solid waste management

Activity data for waste amounts for solid waste management are shown in Table 11.7.2.

Table 11.7.2 Waste amounts for solid waste management, tonnes.

	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
5A1 Managed waste disposal sites	6 057	6 126	6 170	6 233	6 335	6 430	6 412	6 418	6 150	5 704
5A2 Unmanaged waste disposal sites	1 361	1 358	1 356	1 359	1 340	1 288	1 215	1 159	1 060	986
5C1 Incineration, with energy recovery	5 520	5 579	5 619	5 734	5 919	6 073	6 179	6 276	6 403	8 208
5C1 Incineration, without energy rec.	0	0	0	0	56	225	795	1 240	2 666	2 899
5C2 Open burning of waste	16 567	16 714	16 808	16 956	17 140	17 236	17 033	16 922	16 101	14 941
5. Waste total	29 505	29 777	29 953	30 281	30 789	31 251	31 635	32 016	32 380	32 738
continued	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
5A1 Managed waste disposal sites	4 880	4 945	4 750	4 455	4 216	4 248	4 267	4 296	4 321	4 355
5A2 Unmanaged waste disposal sites	906	865	839	830	825	824	815	788	756	738
5C1 Incineration, with energy recovery	11 283	11 526	12 658	14 084	15 312	15 576	15 791	16 060	16 371	16 691
5C1 Incineration, without energy rec.	3 148	3 306	3 390	3 415	3 437	3 461	3 485	3 468	3 444	3 466
5C2 Open burning of waste	12 924	12 976	12 481	11 803	11 259	11 329	11 351	11 355	11 338	11 374
5. Waste total	33 142	33 618	34 118	34 587	35 049	35 437	35 709	35 968	36 229	36 624
continued	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
5A1 Managed waste disposal sites	4 418	4 481	4 507	4 520	4 549	4 569	4 589	4 633	4 693	4 751
5A2 Unmanaged waste disposal sites	718	687	654	629	600	576	569	549	527	509
5C1 Incineration, with energy recovery	17 082	17 505	17 860	18 137	18 401	18 685	18 996	19 322	19 660	20 028
5C1 Incineration, without energy rec.	3 486	3 488	3 501	3 523	3 550	3 548	3 557	3 592	3 616	3 628
5C2 Open burning of waste	11 470	11 541	11 526	11 498	11 499	11 491	11 519	11 573	11 658	11 748
5. Waste total	37 174	37 702	38 048	38 307	38 600	38 869	39 230	39 669	40 153	40 664
continued	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024					
5A1 Managed waste disposal sites	4 793	4 829	4 866	4 904	4 942					
5A2 Unmanaged waste disposal sites	500	501	492	475	452					
5C1 Incineration, with energy recovery	20 487	20 945	21 343	21 760	22 165					
5C1 Incineration, without energy rec.	3 653	3 678	3 698	3 723	3 711					
5C2 Open burning of waste	11 820	11 903	11 967	12 013	12 047					
5. Waste total	41 252	41 856	42 367	42 876	43 316					

Waste amounts are based on municipal data on waste and waste incineration with energy recovery on local incinerator plants in 2004, and a survey by Consulting Company Carl Bro in 1996 and 2001, where waste amounts per person per year was identified as 650 kg and 455 kg for Greenlandic towns and settlements, respectively. For the time series these amounts were regulated by 1 % per year upwards for years after 2004 and by 1 % per year downwards for years before 2004. Further, to construct the time series statistical data from Statistics Greenland on population in towns and settlements were used. Other results of the survey used for the time series are that it was estimated that (1) 70 % of waste amounts is incinerated and 30 % deposited and (2) 80 % of combustible waste amounts deposited is burned in open burning.

Solid waste disposal

Source Category Description

The category consists of managed and unmanaged disposal sites of waste on land.

Methodological issues, activity data, emission factors and emissions

In Table 11.7.3 the composition of the waste according to the survey mentioned is shown.

Table 11.7.3 Composition of household and commercial waste before and after open burning.

Fraction	Household waste[2]	Commercial waste[2]	Household / Commercial Weighted	After open burning	Weighted (after open burning)
			%		
Paper/cardboard, dry	8.00[1]	20.00	11.84	2.37	7.66
Paper/cardboard, wet	10.00[1]	7.00	9.04	1.81	5.85
Plastics	7.00[1]	9.00	7.64	1.53	4.94
Organic waste	44.00[1]	34.00	40.80	8.16	26.38
Other combustible	17.50[1]	16.00	17.02	3.40	11.01
Glass	7.50[1]	3.00[1]	6.06	6.06	19.59
Metal	3.50[1]	3.00[1]	3.34	3.34	10.80
Other, non combustible	1.00[1]	5.00	2.28	2.28	7.37
Hazardous waste	1.50[1]	3.00[1]	1.98	1.98	6.40
Total	100.00	100.00	100.00	30.93	100.00
Pct (%)	68[3]	32[3]		80[4]	

Notes:

[1] Measured values.

[2] Source: Former Environmental and Nature Agency, Ministry of Infrastructure and Environment. Survey from 2004.

[3] Distribution of household and commercial waste.

[4] Share of combustible waste burned at waste disposal sites.

A Tier 2 approach with a first order decay model is used for estimation of emissions of CH_4 from solid waste disposals. For this purpose, the activity data in Table 11.7.2 are estimated back to 1960 (not shown) based on the methodology described in connection to Table 11.7.2. Combining these activity data and the composition data in Table 11.7.3 time series for 1960-2024 with amounts of waste in waste fractions is calculated.

For these time series the waste fractions are associated to (1) Dissolved Organic Carbon (DOC) values according to Section 11.7.2 of this NID and (2) emission factors based on DOC values and values of methane correction factors, fraction of DOC dissimilated and fraction of CH_4 in gas emitted according to the IPCC 2006 Gudelines (Table 2.4) and GPG for managed disposals, Table 11.7.4 and unmanaged disposals, Table 11.7.5.

Table 11.7.4 DOC values and emission factors for CH_4 for managed disposals.

	Paper / cardboard, dry	Paper / cardboard, wet	Plastics	Organic waste	Other combustible	Glass	Metal	Other, non combustible	Hazardous waste
DOC weighted (after open burning) fraction	0.44	0.40	0.00	0.15	0.24	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Emission factor kg CH_4/tonnes[1]	146.7	133.3	0.0	50.0	80.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
[1]) based on:									
Methane correction factor				1					
Fraction of DOC dissimilated and emitted				0.5					
Fraction of CH_4 in gas emitted				0.5					

Table 11.7.5 DOC values and emission factors for CH_4 for unmanaged disposals.

	Paper/ cardboard dry	Paper/ cardboard wet	Plastics	Organic waste	Other combustible	Glass	Metal	Other, non-combustible	Hazardous waste
DOC weighted (after open burning) fraction	0.44	0.40	0.00	0.15	0.24	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Emission factor kg CH_4/tonnes[1]	58.7	53.3	0.0	20.0	32.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

[1]) based on:

Methane correction factor	0.4
Fraction of DOC dissimilated and emitted	0.5
Fraction of CH_4 in gas emitted	0.5

For managed and unmanaged disposals, the default half lifetime of 14 years and a time lag of 0.5 years are used. For the oxidation factor and according to the GPG for managed disposal 0.1 and for unmanaged 0.0 are used.

In Tables 11.7.6 and 11.7.7 selected data and results are shown for 1990-2024 for managed and unmanaged disposal, respectively. The data in the tables are as follows. The AD for the FOD model as amounts of waste in fractions, the potential emission of CH_4 calculated with emission factors on waste amounts in fractions, the annual generated emission of CH_4 calculated with the FOD model using the potential emissions, the oxidized CH_4 and the actual annual CH_4 emission calculated as the annual generated emission minus the CH_4 oxidized. Calculations are performed since 1960 and are not shown.

Table 11.7.6 Managed disposal. AD for the FOD model (amount of waste in fractions), potential emission of CH_4, oxidized CH_4 and annual CH_4 emission 1990-2024.

	Paper/ cardboard dry	Paper/ cardboard wet	Plastics	Organic waste	Other com-bustible	Glass	Metal	Other, non com-bustible	Hazardous waste	Waste total	Potential emission	Annual generated emission	Annual oxidized emission	Annual emission
Unit	Tonnes	Tonnes	Tonnes	Tonnes	Tonnes	Tonnes	Tonnes	Tonnes	Tonnes	Tonnes	Tonnes CH_4	Tonnes CH_4	Tonnes CH_4	Tonnes CH_4
1990	464	354	299	1 598	667	1 187	654	447	388	6 057	244.6	183.8	18.4	165.4
1991	469	358	303	1 616	674	1 200	662	452	392	6 126	248.5	186.9	18.7	168.2
1992	472	361	305	1 628	679	1 209	666	455	395	6 170	251.3	190.0	19.0	171.0
1993	477	364	308	1 645	686	1 221	673	460	399	6 233	253.1	193.1	19.3	173.8
1994	485	370	313	1 671	697	1 241	684	467	406	6 335	255.7	196.1	19.6	176.5
1995	492	376	318	1 696	708	1 260	694	474	412	6 430	259.9	199.2	19.9	179.3
1996	491	375	317	1 692	706	1 256	692	473	410	6 412	263.8	202.3	20.2	182.1
1997	491	375	317	1 693	706	1 258	693	473	411	6 418	263.0	205.2	20.5	184.7
1998	471	359	304	1 622	677	1 205	664	453	394	6 150	263.3	208.0	20.8	187.2
1999	437	333	282	1 505	628	1 118	616	420	365	5 704	252.3	210.2	21.0	189.2
2000	374	285	241	1 288	537	956	527	360	312	4 880	234.0	211.3	21.1	190.2
2001	379	289	244	1 305	544	969	534	365	317	4 945	200.2	210.8	21.1	189.7
2002	364	278	235	1 253	523	931	513	350	304	4 750	202.9	210.4	21.0	189.4
2003	341	260	220	1 175	490	873	481	328	285	4 455	194.8	209.7	21.0	188.7
2004	323	246	208	1 112	464	826	455	311	270	4 216	182.7	208.4	20.8	187.5
2005	325	248	210	1 121	468	832	459	313	272	4 248	172.9	206.6	20.7	186.0
2006	327	249	211	1 126	470	836	461	315	273	4 267	174.3	205.1	20.5	184.6
2007	329	251	212	1 133	473	842	464	317	275	4 296	175.0	203.6	20.4	183.3
2008	331	253	213	1 140	476	847	467	319	277	4 321	176.2	202.3	20.2	182.1
2009	333	255	215	1 149	479	853	470	321	279	4 355	177.2	201.1	20.1	181.0
2010	338	258	218	1 166	486	866	477	326	283	4 418	178.6	200.0	20.0	180.0
2011	343	262	221	1 182	493	878	484	330	287	4 481	181.2	199.1	19.9	179.2
2012	345	263	223	1 189	496	883	487	332	289	4 507	183.8	198.4	19.8	178.5
2013	346	264	223	1 193	497	886	488	333	289	4 520	184.9	197.7	19.8	177.9
2014	348	266	225	1 200	501	891	491	335	291	4 549	185.4	197.1	19.7	177.4
2015	350	267	226	1 206	503	895	493	337	293	4 569	186.6	196.6	19.7	177.0
2016	351	268	227	1 211	505	899	496	338	294	4 589	187.4	196.2	19.6	176.6
2017	355	271	229	1 222	510	908	500	342	297	4 633	188.2	195.8	19.6	176.2
2018	359	274	232	1 238	517	920	507	346	300	4 693	190.0	195.5	19.6	176.0
2019	364	278	235	1 254	523	931	513	350	304	4 751	192.5	195.4	19.5	175.8

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2020	367	280	237	1 265	527	939	518	353	307	4 793	194.9	195.3	19.5	175.8
2021	370	282	239	1 274	531	946	521	356	309	4 829	196.6	195.4	19.5	175.9
2022	373	284	240	1 284	536	953	526	359	312	4 866	198.1	195.5	19.6	176.0
2023	375	287	242	1 294	540	961	530	362	314	4 904	199.6	195.7	19.6	176.2
2024	378	289	244	1 304	544	968	534	364	316	4 942	201.2	196.0	19.6	176.4

Table 11.7.7 Unmanaged disposal. AD for the FOD model (amount of waste in fractions), potential emission of CH_4, oxidized CH_4 and annual CH_4 emission 1990-2024.

	Paper/ cardboard dry	Paper/ cardboard wet	Plastics	Organic waste	Other com-bustible	Glass	Metal	Other, non combustible	Hazardous waste	Waste total	Potential emission	Annual generated emission	Annual oxidized emission	Annual emission
Unit	Tonnes	Tonnes	Tonnes	Tonnes	Tonnes	Tonnes	Tonnes	Tonnes	Tonnes	Tonnes	Tonnes CH_4	Tonnes CH_4	Tonnes CH_4	Tonnes CH_4
1990	104	80	67	359	150	267	147	100	87	1 361	22.3	16.6	0.0	16.6
1991	104	79	67	358	149	266	147	100	87	1 358	22.3	16.9	0.0	16.9
1992	104	79	67	358	149	266	146	100	87	1 356	22.3	17.1	0.0	17.1
1993	104	79	67	358	150	266	147	100	87	1 359	22.3	17.4	0.0	17.4
1994	103	78	66	354	147	263	145	99	86	1 340	22.3	17.6	0.0	17.6
1995	99	75	64	340	142	252	139	95	82	1 288	22.0	17.8	0.0	17.8
1996	93	71	60	321	134	238	131	90	78	1 215	21.1	18.0	0.0	18.0
1997	89	68	57	306	128	227	125	85	74	1 159	19.9	18.1	0.0	18.1
1998	81	62	52	280	117	208	114	78	68	1 060	19.0	18.1	0.0	18.1
1999	76	58	49	260	109	193	107	73	63	986	17.4	18.1	0.0	18.1
2000	69	53	45	239	100	178	98	67	58	906	16.2	18.0	0.0	18.0
2001	66	51	43	228	95	170	93	64	55	865	14.9	17.9	0.0	17.9
2002	64	49	41	221	92	164	91	62	54	839	14.2	17.7	0.0	17.7
2003	64	49	41	219	91	163	90	61	53	830	13.8	17.5	0.0	17.5
2004	63	48	41	218	91	162	89	61	53	825	13.6	17.3	0.0	17.3
2005	63	48	41	217	91	162	89	61	53	824	13.5	17.1	0.0	17.1
2006	62	48	40	215	90	160	88	60	52	815	13.5	16.9	0.0	16.9
2007	60	46	39	208	87	154	85	58	50	788	13.4	16.8	0.0	16.8
2008	58	44	37	200	83	148	82	56	48	756	12.9	16.6	0.0	16.6
2009	57	43	36	195	81	145	80	54	47	738	12.4	16.4	0.0	16.4
2010	55	42	35	189	79	141	78	53	46	718	12.1	16.2	0.0	16.2
2011	53	40	34	181	76	135	74	51	44	687	11.8	16.0	0.0	16.0
2012	50	38	32	173	72	128	71	48	42	654	11.3	15.7	0.0	15.7
2013	48	37	31	166	69	123	68	46	40	629	10.7	15.5	0.0	15.5
2014	46	35	30	158	66	117	65	44	38	600	10.3	15.2	0.0	15.2
2015	44	34	28	152	63	113	62	42	37	576	9.8	15.0	0.0	15.0
2016	44	33	28	150	63	112	61	42	36	569	9.5	14.7	0.0	14.7
2017	42	32	27	145	60	108	59	40	35	549	9.3	14.5	0.0	14.5
2018	40	31	26	139	58	103	57	39	34	527	9.0	14.2	0.0	14.2
2019	39	30	25	134	56	100	55	38	33	509	8.6	13.9	0.0	13.9

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2020	38	29	25	132	55	98	54	37	32	500	8.3	13.7	0.0	13.7
2021	38	29	25	132	55	98	54	37	32	501	8.2	13.4	0.0	13.4
2022	38	29	24	130	54	96	53	36	32	492	8.2	13.1	0.0	13.1
2023	36	28	23	125	52	93	51	35	30	475	8.1	12.9	0.0	12.9
2024	35	26	22	119	50	89	49	33	29	452	7.8	12.7	0.0	12.7

11.7.3 Incineration and open burning of waste

Source category description

In Greenland waste incineration is carried out both with and without energy recovery. According to the IPCC Guidelines, the emissions associated with waste incineration for energy production are included in the energy sector - more specifically in the source category 1.A1a Public Electricity and Heat Production. The emissions from waste incineration without energy recovery are reported in source category 5.C. Waste Incineration. Additionally in Greenland open burning of waste occurs at landfill sites. Emissions associated with this are also reported under sector 5.C. Waste Incineration.

Methodological issues

The methodology used follows the IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006). For waste incineration the Danish emission factors are used, as it is trusted that they are also a good representation of Greenlandic conditions.

The emission factors used for both waste incineration and open burning are included in Section 11.7.3.4.

Activity data

The amount of waste incinerated without energy recovery is presented in Table 11.7.8. The activity data is provided by the method described in Section 11.7.2.

Table 11.7.8 Activity data for waste incineration without energy recovery, Mg.

	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
Incinerated waste without energy recovery, Mg	NO	NO	NO	NO	56	225	795	1 240	2 666	2 899
Continued	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Incinerated waste without energy recovery, Mg	3 148	3 306	3 390	3 415	3 437	3 461	3 485	3 468	3 444	3 466
Continued	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Incinerated waste without energy recovery, Mg	3 486	3 488	3 501	3 523	3 550	3 548	3 557	3 592	3 616	3 628
Continued	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024					
Incinerated waste without energy recovery, Mg	3 653	3 678	3 698	3 723	3 711					

The open burning of waste is assumed to be 80 % of the waste deposited to landfills (Survey on waste by Carl Bro, 1996 and 2001). The activity data for open burning is presented in Table 11.7.9. The activity data for open burning is provided by the method described in Section 11.7.2.

Table 11.7.9 Activity data for open burning of waste, Mg.

	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
Open burning of waste, Mg	16 567	16 714	16 808	16 956	17 140	17 236	17 033	16 922	16 101	14 941
Continued	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Open burning of waste, Mg	12 924	12 976	12 481	11 803	11 259	11 329	11 351	11 355	11 338	11 374
Continued	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Open burning of waste, Mg	11 470	11 541	11 526	11 498	11 499	11 491	11 519	11 573	11 658	11 748
Continued	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024					
Open burning of waste, Mg	11 820	11 903	11 967	12 013	12 047					

Emission factors

Waste incineration

For waste incineration without energy recovery the same emission factors have been assumed as for waste incineration with energy recovery. The emission factors refer to the IPCC, 2006 and Danish emission factors (Nielsen et al., 2010). CO_2 emission factors have been revised recently, see chapter 3 for description. The greenhouse gas emission factors are shown in Table 11.7.10.

Table 11.7.10 Emission factors for greenhouse gases from waste incineration.

	Year	Emission factor	Unit
CO_2	1990-2010	37.0	Kg pr GJ
CO_2	2011	37.5	Kg pr GJ
CO_2	2012	40.0	Kg pr GJ
CO_2	2013-2024	42.5	Kg pr GJ
CH_4	1990-2024	30	g pr GJ
N_2O	1990-2024	4	g pr GJ

The emission factors used for the indirect greenhouse gases are shown in table 11.7.11.

Table 11.7.11 Emission factors for indirect greenhouse gases from waste incineration.

	NO_x	SO_2	NMVOC	CO	Unit
Waste incineration	134	138	0.98	7.4	g pr GJ

Open burning

For open burning emissions are calculated using the methodology, standard parameters and emission factors provided by the IPCC 2006 Guidelines.

The CH_4 emission factor used is the recommended and default is 6,500 g per tonne MSW wet weight (IPCC, 2006).

For N_2O a default emission factor of 150 g/t MSW dry weight is recommended (IPCC, 2006) this is corrected for the dry matter content to acquire an N_2O emission factor of 214 g per tonne MSW wet weight.

For calculating the CO_2 emission, the dry matter content, carbon content and the fossil carbon content of the waste fractions are used. The parameters are included in Table 11.7.12.

Table 11.7.12 Parameter used in calculating CO_2 emissions from open burning.

	Dry matter content	Total carbon content, %	Fossil carbon content as percent of total carbon
Paper	0.90	46	1
Cardboard	0.90	46	1
Plastics	1.00	75	100
Organic waste	0.40	38	0
Other	0.85	3	100

Source: IPCC Guidelines 2006, Volume 5, Chapter 2, Table 2.4

An oxidation factor of 58 % is assumed for open burning (IPCC, 2006).

The emission factors for NO_x, SO_2, NMVOC and CO are presented in Table 11.7.13. The source of these emission factors is EMEP/EEA 2019 (Table 3.1).

Table 11.7.13 Emission factors for indirect greenhouse gases from open burning of waste.

	NO_x	SO_2	NMVOC	CO	Unit
Open burning of municipal waste	3.18	0.11	1.23	55.83	Kg pr Mg

Emissions

Total emission of greenhouse gases from sector 5.C. Incineration and open burning of waste is shown in Table 11.7.14. Figure 11.7.1 shows total emission of greenhouse gases from sector 5.C. Incineration and open burning.

Table 11.7.14 Greenhouse gas emissions from incineration and open burning.

	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
CO_2, Gg	2.6	2.6	2.6	2.6	2.7	2.7	2.9	3.1	3.5	3.4
CH_4, Mg	107.7	108.6	109.3	110.2	111.4	112.1	111.0	110.4	105.5	98.0
N_2O, Mg	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.6	2.6	2.6	2.6	2.5	2.4
CO_2 eqv., Gg	6.2	6.3	6.3	6.4	6.5	6.6	6.7	6.9	7.1	6.8
Continued	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
CO_2, Gg	3.2	3.3	3.2	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1
CH_4, Mg	85.0	85.4	82.2	77.8	74.3	74.7	74.9	74.9	74.8	75.0
N_2O, Mg	2.1	2.1	2.0	1.9	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.9
CO_2 eqv., Gg	6.1	6.2	6.1	5.8	5.6	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.7
Continued	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
CO_2, Gg	3.1	3.2	3.2	3.3	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.4
CH_4, Mg	75.7	76.1	76.0	75.8	75.9	75.8	76.0	76.4	76.9	77.5
N_2O, Mg	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9
CO_2 eqv., Gg	5.7	5.8	5.9	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.1	6.1
Continued	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024					
CO_2, Gg	3.4	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5					
CH_4, Mg	78.0	78.5	79.0	79.3	79.5					
N_2O, Mg	1.9	1.9	2.0	2.0	2.0					
CO_2 eqv., Gg	6.1	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.3					

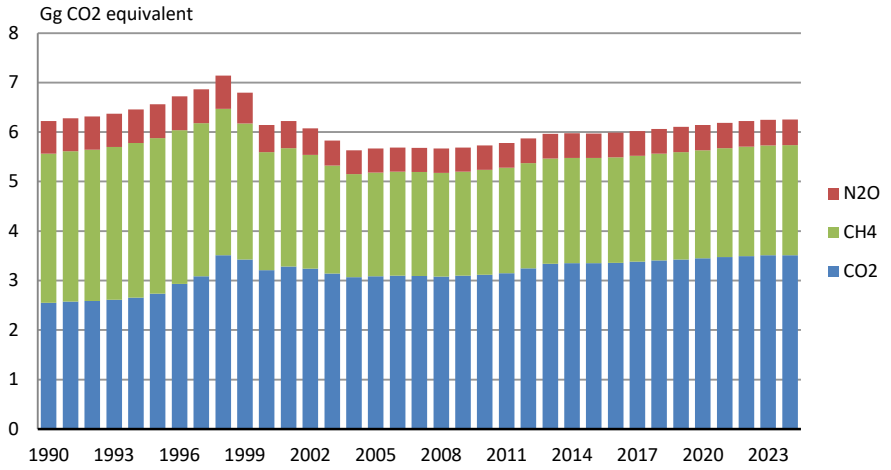


Figure 11.7.1 Emission of greenhouse gases from incineration and open burning.

The emissions of indirect greenhouse gases from incineration and open burning are shown in Table 11.7.15.

Table 11.7.15 Emission of indirect greenhouse gases from incineration and open burning, Mg.

	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
NO_x	52.7	53.1	53.5	53.9	54.6	55.1	55.3	55.6	55.0	51.6
SO_2	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.9	2.0	2.2	3.0	3.7	5.6	5.8
NMVOC	20.4	20.6	20.7	20.9	21.1	21.2	21.0	20.8	19.8	18.4
CO	924.9	933.1	938.4	946.6	956.9	962.3	951.0	944.9	899.1	834.4
Continued	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
NO_x	45.5	45.9	44.5	42.3	40.6	40.9	41.0	41.0	40.9	41.0
SO_2	6.0	6.2	6.3	6.2	6.2	6.3	6.3	6.3	6.2	6.3
NMVOC	15.9	16.0	15.4	14.6	13.9	14.0	14.0	14.0	14.0	14.0
CO	721.8	724.7	697.1	659.2	628.9	632.7	634.0	634.2	633.3	635.3
Continued	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
NO_x	41.4	41.6	41.6	41.5	41.6	41.5	41.6	41.9	42.2	42.5
SO_2	6.3	6.3	6.3	6.4	6.4	6.4	6.4	6.5	6.5	6.5
NMVOC	14.1	14.2	14.2	14.2	14.2	14.2	14.2	14.3	14.4	14.5
CO	640.7	644.6	643.8	642.2	642.3	641.8	643.4	646.4	651.1	656.1
Continued	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024					
NO_x	42.7	43.0	43.3	43.4	43.5					
SO_2	6.6	6.6	6.7	6.7	6.7					
NMVOC	14.6	14.7	14.8	14.8	14.9					
CO	660.2	664.8	668.4	671.0	672.8					

11.7.4 Wastewater treatment and discharge

Source category description

In Greenland no wastewater treatment occurs; although it should be mentioned some filtering of solid residues from industry may occur and likewise there are ongoing projects focussing on septic tanks at household levels. N_2O emission from human sewage is estimated. It is assumed that no methane emission occurs.

Methodological issues

According to the IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006) the important factors for CH_4 production from handling of wastewater are: wastewater characteristics; especially the quantity of degradable organic material in the wastewater, handling systems, temperature and BOD vs. COD.

The Guidelines state that production of CH_4 generally requires temperatures above 15˚C, and at temperatures below this the lagoon is principally a sedimentation tank (IPCC2006). Temperatures in Greenland rarely exceed 15˚C, and the monthly average temperature has not exceeded 12˚C during the period 1993-2023. Therefore, CH_4 is reported as Not Applicable in the CRT.

N_2O emission from wastewater handling

The IPCC default methodology only includes N_2O emissions from human sewage based on annual per capita protein intake. The methodology account for nitrogen intake ("outcome") i.e., faeces and urine, only and neither the industrial nitrogen input nor non-consumption protein from kitchen, bath and laundry discharges are included.

Total nitrogen in the effluent discharges is calculated by the following formula from IPCC, 2006 (Equation 6.8):

$$N_{EFFLUENT} = (P \times Protein \times F_{NPR} \times F_{NON-CON} \times F_{IND-CON}) - N_{SLUDGE}$$

where P is the Greenlandic population (source: Statistics Greenland).

Protein is the annual per capita protein consumption (kg/person/yr) set contant to 171.5 g/day (see text below).

F_{NPR} is the fraction of nitrogen in protein, default 0.16 kg N/kg protein (IPCC, 2006).

$F_{NON-CON}$ is the factor for non-consumed protein added to wastewater, default 1.1 (IPCC, 2006).

$F_{IND-CON}$ is the factor for industrial and commercial co-discharged protein into the sewer system, default 1.25 (IPCC, 2006).

N_{SLUDGE} is nitrogen removed with sludge, default zero kg N/yr.

Thus, total N_2O emission from effluent discharges is calculated by the formula:

$$N_2O_{EFFLUENT} = N_{EFFLUENT} \times EF_{N_2O-N} \times \frac{44}{28}$$

The default IPCC emission factor for N_2O emissions from domestic wastewater nitrogen effluent is 0.005 kg N_2O-N/kg N. This emission factor is based on limited field data and on specific assumptions regarding the occurrence of nitrification and denitrification in rivers and in estuaries. To convert total N in effluents to emissions in N_2O the mass ratio 44/28 is used.

For households

A large part of the diet originates from seafood, fish or sea mammals, but imported fabricated foods are expected to continue to take over an increasing part of human energy consumption. Due to weather conditions most of fresh food comes from wild animals or fish. Greenland has a production of lamb and a limited supply of vegetables; still most of the produced foods are imported from outside (Mulvad et al., 2007).

In Greenland, the traditional diet based on meat and fish has undergone diversification towards more carbohydrates with the development of a monetary economy; in 1855 the protein content of a mean diet was 377 g protein, whereas 80 years later, in 1935 – 43, the protein content of a mean diet was 257 g protein (Périssé and François, 1981). Today, the majority of young urbanised Greenlandic Inuit have Western dietary habits and consume less meat from marine mammals, terrestrial mammals, and birds than Inuit from the hunting districts; Dietary profiles of Canadian Baffin Island Inuit with a high consumption of traditional foods have shown a mean daily protein intake of 144-199 g/day in 41- to 61-year-old (Laursen et al, 2001).

As no data on the protein intake are available a protein intake of 171.5 g/day i.e., the average of the Canadian Inuit was adopted, as it is assumed that the protein intake has declined even more since 1935 due to increased number of urbanised Greenlandic Inuit. For comparison the Danish yearly protein consumption according to FAOSTAT has increased from 98 g/day in 1990 to 112 g/day in 2005. Using this number, the yearly protein intakes may be derived by multiplying with the population number and days in a year. Based on the above it was decided to set the protein intake to the average value of the Canadian Inuit data, 171.5 g/day. The N-content in effluent wastewater in Greenland was calculated the equation shown above.

From industries

The production of residue products from the fish industry in Greenland amounts to around 14,000 tonnes per year (Nielsen et al., 2005). Overall, the waste amount from the Greenlandic halibut production is around 40 %, while the waste amount from codfish production is 50 %; this governs only the fish production including pre-processing.

According to IPCC, the fraction of nitrogen in protein is 0.16 (IPCC, 2006). The IPCC reports a range of 0.3 to 3.1 kg total N/tonne fish referring to effluent loads from cod filleting i.e., 0.0031. The report also presents values of the total N content of untreated wastewater from the fish industry in the range of 400-1000 mg/l corresponding to a fraction of corresponding. However, as it was not possible to find data for all fish groups, and as it was not possible to determine that fraction of fish, which was pre-processed and how big a fraction that was sold without pre-processing, the below approach was adopted.

From the EC BAT note (EC, 2003) the total N-content of untreated wastewater from the fishing industry was reported to be between 400 and 1000 mg/L with an average value of 700 mg/L. The number was multiplied by the water used within the fishing industry reported for 2004 to 2024 by Statistics Greenland. The effluent N-content for 1990 to 2002 was set equal to the estimated value for 2003.

Emissions

Emission of N_2O from wastewater discharges is shown in Table 11.7.16.

Table 11.7.16 N_2O emissions in wastewater from households and industries 1990-2024.

	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
N_2O emission, effluents households, Gg	0.005	0.005	0.005	0.005	0.005	0.005	0.005	0.005	0.005	0.005
N_2O emission, effluents industries, Gg	0.021	0.021	0.021	0.021	0.021	0.021	0.021	0.021	0.021	0.021
N_2O emission, effluents sum, Gg	0.026	0.025	0.025	0.025	0.026	0.026	0.026	0.026	0.026	0.026
Continued	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
N_2O emission, effluents households, Gg	0.005	0.005	0.005	0.005	0.005	0.005	0.005	0.005	0.005	0.005
N_2O emission, effluents industries, Gg	0.021	0.021	0.021	0.021	0.021	0.021	0.021	0.021	0.022	0.017
N_2O emission, effluents sum, Gg	0.026	0.026	0.026	0.026	0.026	0.026	0.026	0.026	0.027	0.022
Continued	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
N_2O emission, effluents households, Gg	0.005	0.005	0.005	0.005	0.005	0.005	0.005	0.005	0.005	0.005
N_2O emission, effluents industries, Gg	0.017	0.016	0.015	0.012	0.012	0.011	0.013	0.011	0.013	0.013
N_2O emission, effluents sum, Gg	0.022	0.021	0.020	0.017	0.016	0.016	0.017	0.016	0.018	0.018
Continued	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024					
N_2O emission, effluents households, Gg	0.005	0.005	0.005	0.005	0.005					
N_2O emission, effluents industries, Gg	0.015	0.015	0.015	0.016	0.013					
N_2O emission, effluents sum, Gg	0.019	0.019	0.020	0.021	0.018					

Total emission of N_2O increased slightly until 2008 due to an increase in the emission from industrial effluents. However, since 2009 total emission of N_2O has decreased to a total level of 0.015-0.021 Gg (which is lower than 1990) due to a temporary decrease in industrial effluents primarily caused by a decrease in the catches of shrimps.

11.7.5 Uncertainties

A tier 1 uncertainty assessment has been carried out in accordance with the IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006). The uncertainty has been estimated for all sources included in the reporting for the waste sector. The uncertainties for the activity data and emission factors are shown in Table 11.7.17.

Table 11.7.17 Uncertainties for activity data and emission factors for the waste sector.

Subsector	Pollutant	Activity data uncertainty	Emission factor uncertainty
5C Waste incineration	CO_2	10	25
5A Solid Waste Disposals sites	CH_4	10	100
5C Waste incineration	CH_4	10	50
5D Wastewater Handling	N_2O	30	100
5C Waste incineration	N_2O	10	100

The amount of waste incinerated and open burned is relatively well known and the uncertainty is set at 10 %. The same is the case for the waste deposited to landfills. For wastewater handling an uncertainty of 30 % on the activity data has been assumed.

Regarding the emission factor uncertainty, a value of 100 % has been used for CH_4 from solid waste disposal, N_2O from wastewater treatment and N_2O from waste incineration. This is in the same range as recommended by the IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2000). For CO_2 and CH_4 from waste incineration emission factor uncertainties of 25 % and 50 % respectively have been chosen.

The resulting uncertainties for the individual greenhouse gases and the total uncertainty on the greenhouse gas emission are shown in Table 11.7.18.

Table 11.7.18 Uncertainties for the emission estimates.

	Uncertainty %	Trend 1990-2024 %	Trend uncertainty %
GHG	± 46	- 9.5	± 15.0
CO_2	± 27	37.6	± 19.5
CH_4	± 72	- 7.3	± 12.7
N_2O	± 95	- 28.2	± 27.5

11.7.6 Source specific QA/QC

The elaboration of a formal QA/QC plan is to be completed.

However, data on solid waste disposal, wastewater handling and waste incineration has gone through a great deal of quality work regarding accuracy, comparability and completeness.

All external data used for the emission inventory submission are archived in spreadsheets. Data are archived annually to ensure that the basic data for a given report are always available in their original form.

Annual data on solid waste disposal, wastewater handling and waste incineration are compared with previous years and large discrepancies are checked.

Safely stored and quality checked activity data are then processed by using a methodological approach consistent with international guidelines.

Calculated emission factors are compared with guideline emission factors to ensure that they are reasonable. The calculations follow the principle in international guidelines.

During data processing, it is checked that calculations are being carried out correctly.

Time series for activity data, emission factors and calculated emissions are used to identify possible errors in the calculation procedure. In fact, during the calculation, numerous controls take place to ensure correctness. Sums are checked in the various stages in the calculation procedure. Implied emission factors are compared to emission factors.

Every single time series imported to the CRT Reporter is checked for annual activity, units for activity, emission factor and emissions. Additional checks are performed on the database. The database encloses every single activity data, emission factors, emission, notation key and comment imported to the CRT Reporter.

11.7.7 Source specific recalculations and improvements

In this 2026 submission there has been only a minor revision in 2023.

Table 11.8.19 shows recalculations in the waste sector compared to the 2025 submission.

Table 11.8.19 Changes in GHG emission in the waste sector compared to the 2025 submission.

	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
Previous inventory, Gg CO_2 eqv.	18.1	18.2	18.3	18.5	18.7	18.8	19.1	19.3	19.7	19.4
Recalculated, Gg CO_2 eqv.	18.1	18.2	18.3	18.5	18.7	18.8	19.1	19.3	19.7	19.4
Change in Gg CO_2 eqv.	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Change in pct.	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Continued	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Previous inventory, Gg CO_2 eqv.	18.7	18.8	18.7	18.4	18.2	18.2	18.2	18.3	18.4	17.1
Recalculated, Gg CO_2 eqv.	18.7	18.8	18.7	18.4	18.2	18.2	18.2	18.3	18.4	17.1
Change in Gg CO_2 eqv.	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Change in pct.	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Continued	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Previous inventory, Gg CO_2 eqv.	17.0	16.8	16.7	15.9	15.7	15.6	16.0	15.6	16.1	16.2
Recalculated, Gg CO_2 eqv.	17.0	16.8	16.7	15.9	15.7	15.6	16.0	15.6	16.1	16.2
Change in Gg CO_2 eqv.	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Change in pct.	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Continued	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024					
Previous inventory, Gg CO_2 eqv.	16.6	16.6	16.7	17.0	-					
Recalculated, Gg CO_2 eqv.	16.6	16.6	16.7	17.0	16.4					
Change in Gg CO_2 eqv.	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-					
Change in pct.	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-					

11.7.8 Source specific planned improvements

Some planned improvements to the emission inventories are discussed below.

1) Improved data on solid waste disposals

In future inventories attempts will be made to improve data on solid waste disposals in general. Statistics Greenland has encouraged the municipal technical departments with responsibility for waste handling to start gathering data on the yearly amounts of waste handled.

2) Improved data on wastewater handling

In future inventories attempts will be made to improve data on wastewater handling in general. However, the municipal technical department seems to have no data on wastewater handling at all.

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11.8 Other

In CRT Sector 7, there are no activities and emissions or removals for the inventory of Greenland.

11.9 Recalculations and improvements

The 2026 submission is the sixteen year where Greenland, on the request of the ERT, submits a full CRT.

For recalculations and improvements please refer to Sections 11.3 - 11.7.

11.10 Annex 1 Key categories

A Key Category Analysis (KCA) for year 1990 and 2024 for Greenland has been carried out in accordance with the IPCC Good Practice Guidance. For 1990 a level KCA has been carried out.

The base year in the analysis is the year 1990 for the greenhouse gases CO_2, CH_4, N_2O and 1995 for the greenhouse F-gases HFC, PFC and SF_6. The KCA approach is a Tier 1 quantitative analysis.

The level assessment of the Tier 1 KCA is a ranking of the source categories in accordance with their relative contribution to the national total of greenhouse gases calculated in CO_2 equivalents. The level key categories are found from the list of source categories ranked according to their contribution in descending order. Level key categories are those from the top of the list and of which the sum constitutes 95 % of the national total.

The trend assessment of the Tier 1 KCA is a ranking of the source categories according to their contribution to the trend of the national total of greenhouse gases, calculated in CO_2 equivalents, from the base year to the year under consideration. The trend of the source category is calculated relative to that of the national totals and the trend is then weighted with the contribution, according to the level assessment. The ranking is in descending order. As for the level assessment, the cut-off point for the sum of contribution to the trend is 95 % and the source categories from the top of the list to the cut-off line are trend key categories.

Result of the Key Category Analysis for Greenland for the year 1990 and 2024

The entries in the results of KCA in Tables 11.10.1 to 11.10.3 for the years 1990 and 2024 are composed from CRTs for those years in this report. Note that base-year estimates are not used in the level assessment analysis for year 2024, but theyare included in Table 11.10.2 to make it more uniform with Tables 11.10.1 and 11.10.3.

The result of the Tier 1 KCA level assessment for Greenland for 1990 is shown in Table 11.10.1. For the assessment, five categories were identified as key categories and marked as shaded.

The result of the Tier 1 KCA level assessment for Greenland for 2024 is shown in Table 11.10.2. For the assessment, six categories were identified as key categories.

The result of the Tier 1 KCA trend assessment for Greenland for 1990/1995-2024 is shown in Table 11.10.3. For the trend assessment, eight categories were identified as key categories. Note that according to the GPG, the analysis implies that contributions to the trend are all calculated as mathematically positive to be able to perform the ranking. LULUCF activities are included with their sign i.e., emissions: +, removals: -.

In Table 11.10.4 a summary of Key Category Analysis for Greenland is given for level assessment for year 1990/95 and 2024 and for trend for years 1990-2024. All the categories are listed by sector and key sources are shown with their ranking.

Table 11.10.1 Key Category Analysis base year 1990/1995, level assessment, Tier 1.

Table 7.A1 (of Good Practice Guidance) Tier 1 Analysis - Level Assessment GRL – inventory

A			B	C	D	E
IPCC Source Categories (LULUCF included)			Direct GHG	Base Year Estimate Ex,o	Base Year Level Assessment Lx,o	Base year Cumulative total of Col. D
				Gg CO_2 eqv.		
Energy	Combustion excluding transport	Liquid fuels	CO_2	532.852	0.815	0.815
Energy	Domestic aviation		CO_2	38.637	0.059	0.874
Energy	Road transportation		CO_2	24.883	0.038	0.912
Energy	Domestic navigation		CO_2	23.572	0.036	0.948
Agriculture	Enteric fermentation		CH_4	8.542	0.013	0.961
Waste	Wastewater treatment and discharge		N_2O	6.759	0.010	0.971
Waste	Solid waste disposal		CH_4	5.097	0.008	0.979
Waste	Incineration and open burning of waste		CH_4	3.015	0.005	0.983
Waste	Incineration and open burning of waste		CO_2	2.551	0.004	0.987
Energy	Combustion excluding transport	Other fuels	CO_2	1.675	0.003	0.990
Energy	Combustion excluding transport		CH_4	1.300	0.002	0.992
Energy	Combustion excluding transport		N_2O	1.210	0.002	0.994
Agriculture	Manure management		N_2O	0.773	0.001	0.995
Agriculture	Agricultural soils		N_2O	0.762	0.001	0.996
Waste	Incineration and open burning of waste		N_2O	0.659	0.001	0.997
Energy	Road transportation		N_2O	0.399	0.001	0.998
Energy	Domestic aviation		N_2O	0.286	0.000	0.998
Industry	Solvent use		CO_2	0.263	0.000	0.999
Industry	Paraffin wax use		CO_2	0.251	0.000	0.999
Agriculture	Manure management		CH_4	0.209	0.000	0.999
LULUCF	Grassland remaining grassland		CO_2	0.206	0.000	1.000
Energy	Road transportation		CH_4	0.062	0.000	1.000
Energy	Domestic navigation		N_2O	0.052	0.000	1.000
LULUCF	Forest land		N_2O	0.046	0.000	1.000
Energy	Domestic navigation		CH_4	0.045	0.000	1.000
Industry	Emission of SF6		SF_6	0.035	0.000	1.000
Industry	Emission of HFC's		HFCs	0.030	0.000	1.000
Agriculture	Liming		CO_2	0.008	0.000	1.000
Energy	Domestic aviation		CH_4	0.008	0.000	1.000
LULUCF	Grassland		CH_4	0.005	0.000	1.000
Industry	Paraffin wax use		N_2O	0.001	0.000	1.000
Industry	Paraffin wax use		CH_4	0.000	0.000	1.000
LULUCF	Forest land		CH_4	0.000	0.000	1.000
Industry	Road paving with asphalt		CO_2	0.000	0.000	1.000
Industry	Road paving with asphalt		CH_4	0.000	0.000	1.000
Industry	Asphalt roofing		CO_2	0.000	0.000	1.000
LULUCF	Forest land remaining forest land		CO_2	0.000	0.000	1.000
Industry	Limestone and dolomite use		CO_2	0.000	0.000	1.000
LULUCF	Cropland remaining cropland		CO_2	0.000	0.000	1.000
LULUCF	Land converted to cropland		CO_2	0.000	0.000	1.000
Total				654.192	1.000	

Table 11.10.2 Key Category Analysis year 2024, level assessment, Tier 1.

Table 7.A1 (of Good Practice Guidance) Tier 1 Analysis - Level Assessment GRL – inventory

A			B	C	D	E	F
IPCC Source Categories (LULUCF included)			Direct GHG	Base Year Estimate Ex,o	Year 2024 Estimate Ex,t	Year 2024 Level Assessment Lx,t	Year 2024 Cumulative total of Col. E
				Gg CO_2 eqv	Gg CO_2 eqv		
Energy	Combustion excluding transport	Liquid fuels	CO_2	532.852	471.990	0.730	0.730
Energy	Domestic navigation		CO_2	23.572	52.080	0.081	0.811
Energy	Road transportation		CO_2	24.883	35.046	0.054	0.865
Energy	Domestic aviation		CO_2	38.637	33.780	0.052	0.917
Industry	Emission of HFC's		HFCs	0.030	12.464	0.019	0.936
Energy	Combustion excluding transport	Other fuels	CO_2	1.675	9.891	0.015	0.952
Agriculture	Enteric fermentation		CH_4	8.542	5.688	0.009	0.961
Waste	Solid waste disposal		CH_4	5.097	5.293	0.008	0.969
Waste	Wastewater treatment and discharge		N_2O	6.759	4.805	0.007	0.976
Waste	Incineration and open burning of waste		CO_2	2.551	3.511	0.005	0.982
Agriculture	Agricultural soils		N_2O	0.762	2.317	0.004	0.985
Waste	Incineration and open burning of waste		CH_4	3.015	2.225	0.003	0.989
LULUCF	Grassland remaining grassland		CO_2	0.206	1.286	0.002	0.991
Energy	Combustion excluding transport		CH_4	1.300	1.283	0.002	0.993
Energy	Combustion excluding transport		N_2O	1.210	1.280	0.002	0.995
Energy	Road transportation		N_2O	0.399	0.680	0.001	0.996
Agriculture	Manure management		N_2O	0.773	0.586	0.001	0.997
Waste	Incineration and open burning of waste		N_2O	0.659	0.520	0.001	0.997
Industry	Solvent use		CO_2	0.263	0.492	0.001	0.998
Energy	Domestic aviation		N_2O	0.286	0.250	0.000	0.999
Industry	Paraffin wax use		CO_2	0.251	0.236	0.000	0.999
Energy	Road transportation		CH_4	0.062	0.149	0.000	0.999
Agriculture	Manure management		CH_4	0.209	0.137	0.000	0.999
Energy	Domestic navigation		N_2O	0.052	0.114	0.000	1.000
Energy	Domestic navigation		CH_4	0.045	0.101	0.000	1.000
LULUCF	Forest land remaining forest land		CO_2	0.000	-0.081	0.000	1.000
LULUCF	Forest land		N_2O	0.046	0.048	0.000	1.000
LULUCF	Land converted to cropland		CO_2	0.000	0.025	0.000	1.000
LULUCF	Cropland remaining cropland		CO_2	0.000	0.023	0.000	1.000
LULUCF	Grassland		CH_4	0.005	0.012	0.000	1.000
Industry	Limestone and dolomite use		CO_2	0.000	0.011	0.000	1.000
Energy	Domestic aviation		CH_4	0.008	0.007	0.000	1.000
Agriculture	Liming		CO_2	0.008	0.004	0.000	1.000
Industry	Road paving with asphalt		CO_2	0.000	0.001	0.000	1.000
Industry	Paraffin wax use		N_2O	0.001	0.001	0.000	1.000
Industry	Road paving with asphalt		CH_4	0.000	0.000	0.000	1.000
Industry	Paraffin wax use		CH_4	0.000	0.000	0.000	1.000
LULUCF	Forest land		CH_4	0.000	0.000	0.000	1.000
Industry	Asphalt roofing		CO_2	0.000	0.000	0.000	1.000
Industry	Emission of SF6		SF_6	0.035	0.000	0.000	1.000
Total				654.192	646.256	1.000	

Table 11.10.3 Key Category Analysis years 1990/1995-2024, trend assessment, Tier 1.

Table 7.A1 (of Good Practice Guidance) Tier 1 Analysis - Trend Assessment GRL – inventory

A			B	C	D	E	F	G
IPCC Source Categories (LULUCF included)			Direct GHG	Base Year Estimate Ex,o Gg CO_2-eq	Year 2024 Estimate Ex,t Gg CO_2-eq	Trend Assess-ment Tx,t	Contri-Bution To Trend	Cumul. total of Col. F
Energy	Combustion excluding transport	Liquid fuels	CO_2	532.852	471.990	0.083	0.420	0.420
Energy	Domestic navigation		CO_2	23.572	52.080	0.044	0.222	0.643
Industry	Emission of HFC's		HFCs	0.030	12.464	0.019	0.096	0.739
Energy	Road transportation		CO_2	24.883	35.046	0.016	0.081	0.820
Energy	Combustion excluding transport	Other fuels	CO_2	1.675	9.891	0.013	0.064	0.883
Energy	Domestic aviation		CO_2	38.637	33.780	0.007	0.034	0.917
Agriculture	Enteric fermentation		CH_4	8.542	5.688	0.004	0.021	0.939
Waste	Wastewater treatment and discharge		N_2O	6.759	4.805	0.003	0.014	0.953
Agriculture	Agricultural soils		N_2O	0.762	2.317	0.002	0.012	0.965
LULUCF	Grassland remaining grassland		CO_2	0.206	1.286	0.002	0.008	0.974
Waste	Incineration and open burning of waste		CO_2	2.551	3.511	0.002	0.008	0.981
Waste	Incineration and open burning of waste		CH_4	3.015	2.225	0.001	0.006	0.987
Energy	Road transportation		N_2O	0.399	0.680	0.000	0.002	0.989
Waste	Solid waste disposal		CH_4	5.097	5.293	0.000	0.002	0.991
Industry	Solvent use		CO_2	0.263	0.492	0.000	0.002	0.993
Agriculture	Manure management		N_2O	0.773	0.586	0.000	0.001	0.994
Waste	Incineration and open burning of waste		N_2O	0.659	0.520	0.000	0.001	0.995
Energy	Road transportation		CH_4	0.062	0.149	0.000	0.001	0.996
Energy	Combustion excluding transport		N_2O	1.210	1.280	0.000	0.001	0.997
LULUCF	Forest land remaining forest land		CO_2	0.000	-0.081	0.000	0.001	0.997
Agriculture	Manure management		CH_4	0.209	0.137	0.000	0.001	0.998
Energy	Domestic navigation		N_2O	0.052	0.114	0.000	0.000	0.998
Energy	Domestic navigation		CH_4	0.045	0.101	0.000	0.000	0.999
Industry	Emission of SF6		SF_6	0.035	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.999
Energy	Domestic aviation		N_2O	0.286	0.250	0.000	0.000	0.999
LULUCF	Land converted to cropland		CO_2	0.000	0.025	0.000	0.000	1.000
LULUCF	Cropland remaining cropland		CO_2	0.000	0.023	0.000	0.000	1.000
Industry	Paraffin wax use		CO_2	0.251	0.236	0.000	0.000	1.000
Industry	Limestone and dolomite use		CO_2	0.000	0.011	0.000	0.000	1.000
LULUCF	Grassland		CH_4	0.005	0.012	0.000	0.000	1.000
Agriculture	Liming		CO_2	0.008	0.004	0.000	0.000	1.000
LULUCF	Forest land		N_2O	0.046	0.048	0.000	0.000	1.000
Energy	Combustion excluding transport		CH_4	1.300	1.283	0.000	0.000	1.000
Energy	Domestic aviation		CH_4	0.008	0.007	0.000	0.000	1.000
Industry	Road paving with asphalt		CO_2	0.000	0.001	0.000	0.000	1.000
Industry	Road paving with asphalt		CH_4	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	1.000
Industry	Asphalt roofing		CO_2	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	1.000
Industry	Paraffin wax use		N_2O	0.001	0.001	0.000	0.000	1.000
Industry	Paraffin wax use		CH_4	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	1.000
LULUCF	Forest land		CH_4	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	1.000
Total				654.192	646.256	0.198	1.000	

Table 11.10.4 Summary of Key Category Analysis for Greenland for level assessment for year 1990/95 and 2024 and for trend for the years 1990-2024.

Summary of Key Category analysis for Greenland						
IPCC Source Categories (LULUCF included)			GHG	Key categories with number according to ranking in analysis		
				Identification criteria		
				Level Tier1 1990	Level Tier1 2024	Trend Tier1 1990-2024
Energy	Combustion excluding transport	Liquid fuels	CO_2	1	1	1
Energy	Combustion excluding transport	Other fuels	CO_2		6	5
Energy	Combustion excluding transport		CH_4			
Energy	Combustion excluding transport		N_2O			
Energy	Domestic aviation		CO_2	2	4	6
Energy	Domestic aviation		CH_4			
Energy	Domestic aviation		N_2O			
Energy	Road transportation		CO_2	3	3	4
Energy	Road transportation		CH_4			
Energy	Road transportation		N_2O			
Energy	Domestic navigation		CO_2	4	2	2
Energy	Domestic navigation		CH_4			
Energy	Domestic navigation		N_2O			
Industry	Limestone and dolomite use		CO_2			
Industry	Paraffin wax use		CO_2			
Industry	Paraffin wax use		CH_4			
Industry	Paraffin wax use		N_2O			
Industry	Solvent use		CO_2			
Industry	Road paving with asphalt		CO_2			
Industry	Road paving with asphalt		CH_4			
Industry	Asphalt roofing		CO_2			
Industry	Emission of HFC's		HFCs		5	3
Industry	Emission of SF_6		SF_6			
Agriculture	Enteric fermentation		CH_4	5		7
Agriculture	Manure management		CH_4			
Agriculture	Manure management		N_2O			
Agriculture	Agricultural soils		N_2O			
Agriculture	Liming		CO_2			
Waste	Solid waste disposal		CH_4			
Waste	Incineration and open burning of waste		CO_2			
Waste	Incineration and open burning of waste		CH_4			
Waste	Incineration and open burning of waste		N_2O			
Waste	Wastewater treatment and discharge		N_2O			8
LULUCF	Forest land remaining forest land		CO_2			
LULUCF	Forest land		CH_4			
LULUCF	Forest land		N_2O			
LULUCF	Cropland remaining cropland		CO_2			
LULUCF	Land converted to cropland		CO_2			
LULUCF	Grassland remaining grassland		CO_2			
LULUCF	Grassland		CH_4			

11.11 Annex 2 Detailed discussion of methodology and data for estimating CO_2 emission from fossil fuel combustion

Detailed information regarding the methodology and input data used to calculate CO_2 emissions from fossil fuel combustion is included in Section 11.3.

11.12 Annex 3 Other detailed methodological descriptions for individual source or sink categories

All methodological descriptions are included in Sections 11.3 – 11.7.

11.13 Annex 4 CO_2 reference approach and comparison with sectoral approach, and relevant information on the national energy balance

See Section 11.3.6 of this annex for the results of the comparison between the sectoral and reference approach.

11.14 Annex 5 Assessment of completeness and (potential) sources and sinks of greenhouse gas emissions and removals excluded

11.14.1 GHG inventory

The Greenlandic greenhouse gas emission inventories for 1990-2024 include all sources identified by the 2006 IPCC Guidelines and the 2000 IPCC Good Practice Guidance except the following:

In the Industrial Processes and Product Use sector, no N_2O emissions are included in (CRT category 2D3) Solvent Use. With regards to N_2O from fire extinguishers (CRT category 2G3b) the notation key NE was primarily used. However, Danish research on the matter has showed that N_2O is not used in fire extinguishers. Since Greenland imports all fire extinguishers from Denmark, the notation key on N_2O in fire extinguishers is set to NO for every year in the time series 1990-2024. With regards to aerosol cans, we are aware that N_2O is found in the products. However, since we cannot find any activity data on aerosol cans, we continue to report the notation key NE for N_2O in aerosol cans.

Direct and indirect CH_4 emissions from agricultural soils are not estimated. Direct and indirect soil emissions are considered of minor importance for CH_4.

In the LULUCF sector, emissions/removals from wetlands, settlements and other land are currently not estimated due to the lack of available data. The lack of data availability is also an issue for other aspects of LULUCF, i.e. harvested wood products. For more details, please see Section 11.6.

In the Waste sector, CO_2 emissions from managed waste disposal on land are not estimated. According to the 2006 IPCC Guidelines: "Decomposition of organic material deriving from biomass sources (e.g., crops, wood) is the primary source of CO_2 release from waste. These CO_2 emissions are not included in national totals, because the carbon is of biogenic origin and net emissions are accounted for under the AFOLU Sector."

11.15 Annex 6 Additional information to be considered as part of the annual inventory submission or other useful reference information

No additional information for Greenland is deemed relevant.

11.16 Annex 7 Tables 6.1 and 6.2 of the IPCC good practice guidance

IPCC Source category	Gas	Base year emission	Year t emission	Activity data uncertainty	Emission factor uncertainty	Combined uncertainty	Combined uncertainty as % of total national emissions in year t	Type A sensitivity	Type B sensitivity	Uncertainty in trend in national emissions introduced by emission factor uncertainty	Uncertainty in trend in national emissions introduced by activity data uncertainty	Uncertainty introduced into the trend in total national emissions
		Input data Gg CO_2 eqv	Input data Gg CO_2 eqv	Input data %	Input data %	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
1A Liquid fuels	CO_2	620	593	3	2	3.606	10.942	0.030	0.906	0.059	3.845	14.788
1A Municipal waste	CO_2	2	10	3	25	25.179	0.149	0.013	0.015	0.315	0.064	0.103
1A Liquid fuels	CH_4	1	1	3	100	100.045	0.043	0.000	0.002	0.002	0.009	0.000
1A Municipal waste	CH_4	0	0	3	100	100.045	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.011	0.001	0.000
1A Biomass	CH_4	0	0	3	100	100.045	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.013	0.001	0.000
1A Liquid fuels	N_2O	2	2	3	500	500.009	2.585	0.000	0.003	0.154	0.013	0.024
1A Municipal waste	N_2O	0	0	3	500	500.009	0.007	0.000	0.000	0.069	0.001	0.005
1A Biomass	N_2O	0	0	3	200	200.022	0.002	0.000	0.000	0.034	0.001	0.001
1B2 Oil exploration	CO_2	0	0	3	1000	1 000.004	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
1B2 Oil exploration	CH_4	0	0	3	1000	1 000.004	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
1B2 Oil exploration	N_2O	0	0	3	1000	1 000.004	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
2A4 Limestone and dolomite use	CO_2	0	0	5	5	7.071	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
2D2 Paraffin wax use	CO_2	0	0	5	25	25.495	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.003	0.000
2D2 Paraffin wax use	N_2O	0	0	5	25	25.495	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
2D2 Paraffin wax use	CH_4	0	0	5	25	25.495	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
2D3 Solvent use	CO_2	0	0	5	25	25.495	0.000	0.000	0.001	0.009	0.005	0.000
2D3 Road paving with asphalt	CO_2	0	0	5	25	25.495	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
2D3 Road paving with asphalt	CH_4	0	0	5	25	25.495	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
2D3 Asphalt roofing	CO_2	0	0	5	25	25.495	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
2F Emission of HFC	HFC	0	12	10	50	50.990	0.967	0.019	0.019	0.950	0.269	0.976
2G Emission of SF_6	SF_6	0	0	10	50	50.990	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.003	0.000	0.000

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IPCC Source category	Gas	Base year emission	Year t emission	Activity data uncertainty	Emission factor uncertainty	Combined uncertainty	Combined uncertainty as % of total national emissions in year t	Type A sensitivity	Type B sensitivity	Uncertainty in trend in national emissions introduced by emission factor uncertainty	Uncertainty in trend in national emissions introduced by activity data uncertainty	Uncertainty introduced into the trend in total national emissions
		Input data	Input data	Input data	Input data							
		Gg CO_2 eqv	Gg CO_2 eqv	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
3A Enteric Fermentation	CH_4	9	6	10	100	100.499	0.782	0.004	0.009	0.420	0.123	0.192
3B Manure Management	CH_4	0	0	10	100	100.499	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.011	0.003	0.000
3B Manure Management	N_2O	1	1	10	100	100.499	0.008	0.000	0.001	0.027	0.013	0.001
3D Agricultural soils	N_2O	1	2	20	50	53.852	0.037	0.002	0.004	0.120	0.100	0.024
3G Liming	CO_2	0	0	5	50	50.249	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
4A Forest	CO_2	0	0	5	50	50.249	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.006	0.001	0.000
4A Forest	CH_4	0	0	5	50	50.249	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
4A Forest	N_2O	0	0	5	50	50.249	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.001	0.000
4B Cropland	CO_2	0	0	5	50	50.249	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.004	0.001	0.000
4C Grassland	CO_2	0	1	5	50	50.249	0.010	0.002	0.002	0.083	0.014	0.007
4C Grassland	CH_4	0	0	5	50	50.249	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.001	0.000	0.000
5A Solid Waste Disposal	CH_4	5	5	10	100	100.499	0.678	0.000	0.008	0.039	0.114	0.015
5C Incineration and open burning of waste	CO_2	3	4	10	25	26.926	0.021	0.002	0.005	0.038	0.076	0.007
5C Incineration and open burning of waste	CH_4	3	2	10	50	50.990	0.031	0.001	0.003	0.058	0.048	0.006
5C Incineration and open burning of waste	N_2O	1	1	10	100	100.499	0.007	0.000	0.001	0.020	0.011	0.001
5D Wastewater treatment and discharge	N_2O	7	5	30	100	104.403	0.603	0.003	0.007	0.286	0.312	0.179
Total		654	646				16,873					16,329
Total uncertainties				Overall uncertainty in the year (%):			4.108			Trend uncertainty (%):		4.041

11.17 Annex 8 Results of a technical analysis conducted on the Greenlandic gasoil

In 2013, a technical analysis has been conducted on the arctic gasoil that is by far the most dominant type of fuel in Greenland. The analysis was conducted by the Danish Technological Institute in order to gain a country specific emission factor on the Greenlandic gasoil.

Table 11.18.1 shows the results of the technological analysis on the Greenlandic gasoil. The CO_2 emission factor was revised in the 2015 submission due to an increase in the recommended oxidation factor from 0.99 to 1.0.

Table 11.18.1 Results on the technical analysis on the Greenlandic gasoil

	Test result	Method
C, %	85.4	Elementaranalyse
Upper calorific, J/g	45860	DS/CEN/TS 14918
Lower calorific, J/g	42900	Calculation
CO_2 emission factor, kg CO_2/GJ	72.967	Calculation

12 Information related to the greenhouse gas inventory for the Faroe Islands

12.1 Introduction

This chapter is Faroe Islands National Inventory Document (NID) 2026 for submission to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change for the years 1990-2024.

The following sections contain detailed information on the Faroe Islands inventories for all the years from 1990 to 2024. The structure of the report follows the UN FCCC guidelines on reporting and review.

The annual emission inventories for the years 1990-2023 are reported in the Common Reporting Tables (CRT) as requested in the reporting guidelines. The CRT-spreadsheets contain data on emissions, activity data and implied emission factors for each year. Emission trends are given for each greenhouse gas and for the total greenhouse gas emission in CO_2 equivalents.

The whole inventory, including trend tables and emission trend summary tables, can be found on the homepage of EIONET. Available at: https://cdr.eionet.europa.eu/dk/Air_Emission_Inventories/Submission_UNFCCC/

The report is made by Umhvørvisstovan, the Faroese Environment Agency (FEA) www.us.fo.

12.1.1 Background information on greenhouse gas inventories and climate change

Each year the Faroe Islands is obligated to report its emission of greenhouse gases (GHG), according to the requirements of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC). The Kingdom of Denmark (which includes Denmark, Greenland and the Faroe Islands as geographical areas) has signed the UNFCCC. The Faroese emission figures are part of the emission total for the Kingdom of Denmark.

The first emission inventories for the Faroe Islands were made using an average method based upon the total use of fossil fuels in the Faroe Islands and consequently the inventories have only included total estimates of CO_2 emissions. Later, the inventories were done according to IPCC guidelines. Since 2008, the FEA has yearly reported GHG emissions to Danish Centre for Environment and Energy (DCE), Dep. of Environmental Science (ENVS), Aarhus University.

The GHGs reported are:

- Carbon dioxide CO_2
- Methane CH_4
- Nitrous oxide N_2O
- Hydrofluorocarbons HFCs
- Perfluorocarbons PFCs
- Sulphur hexaflouride SF_6
- Nitrogen triflouride NF_3

According to the IPCC and their Fifth Assessment Report, which UNFCCC has decided to use as reference, the global warming potentials for a 100-year time horizon are:

- Carbon dioxide (CO_2) 1
- Methane (CH_4) 28
- Nitrous Oxide (N_2O) 265

12.1.2 A description of the institutional arrangement for inventory preparation

FEA, an agency under the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Culture, is responsible for the annual preparation and submission to the UNFCCC of the Faroe Islands' contribution to the Kingdom of Denmark's National Inventory Document and the GHG inventories in the Common Reporting Format in accordance with the UNFCCC Guidelines. The inventory is done with guidance from and in co-operation with DCE. In January 2010, DCE and FEA made a formal agreement about data delivery.

The work concerning the annual greenhouse gas emission inventory is carried out in co-operation with other Faroese institutions, organisations and companies:

- *Statistics Faroe Islands (Ministry of Finance)* www.hagstova.fo
  Annual statistics on liquid fuel sale, fuel usage for electricity and heat production, and statistics on livestock (sheep and cows). Fish export. Population. Import of fossil fuels, fertilizers, vax etc.
- *Búnaðarstovan (Agricultural Agency of the Faroe Islands)* www.bst.fo
  Data on number of sheep and cows, estimations and calculations related to emissions form Agriculture
- *Landsverk* – the road authority. www.landsverk.fo.
  Data on the vehicle stock and other related data
- *Municipal Waste Plants IRF (*www.irf.fo) and Tórshavn's municipality
  Data on amount of incinerated and deponized waste.
- *Electricity producing company* www.sev.fo
  Data on import of F-gases (SF_6).
- *Airline Company* www.atlantic.fo
  Data for fuel bunkers for domestic flights and international flights to and from the Faroe Islands.
- *Refrigeration and other gas sale companies*
  Data on import of F-gases (HFCs) and N_2O.
- *Biogas plant* www.forka.fo
  Data on production of gas and deliverance of biofertilizers.
- *Oil companies – license holders*
  Data on use of fuel oil in connection with exploration (deep water) drilling in Faroese territorial waters. Has not been relevant since 2014.
- *Environmental Agency, Energy dep.* www.us.fo
  Statistics on number and type of heat-pumps.

12.1.3 Brief description of the process of inventory preparation. Data collection and processing, data storage and archiving

Statistic Faroe Islands collects and stores a major part of the activity data for the inventory, e.g. fuel sale, as well as numbers of livestock (sheep and cows). Each year, FEA receives new activity data for the previous year. An increasing part of the data is accessible on the homepage of Statistics Faroe Islands. Other

activity data are delivered by plants owned by municipalities or private companies.

After receiving the data, the material is placed on servers at FEA. The servers are subject to routine backup services. Material that has been backed up is archived safely. All collected data is also archived in the electronic journal of the agency.

Each year updated emission factors are received from DCE. In addition to copying the factors to spread sheet files, the e-mails are archived in the electronic journal. Since the 2008 submission, all subsequent submissions have been reported in the Common Reporting Tables of UNFCCC (CRT). This new format has meant improvements, higher data security and has limited the risk for errors in the reporting.

12.1.4 Brief general description of methodologies and data sources used

The GHG inventory for the Faroe Islands includes the following sectors:

- Energy (CRT sector 1)
- Industrial processes and product use (CRT sector 2)
- Agriculture (CRT sector 3)
- Land use, land-use change and forestry (CRT sector 4)
- Waste (CRT sector 5)

The applied methodologies follow the IPCC Guidelines. In some cases, the IPCC tier 1 methodologies have been used and in other a combination of tier 2 and tier 3 methodologies have been used.

The methods and the emission factors used in the inventory are shown in Table 12.1 (emission factors for CO_2, CH_4 and N_2O) and in Table 12.2 (emission factors for HFCs and SF_6). A brief general description of methodologies is included in the sections below describing the different sectors.

Table 12.1 Methods applied and emission factors used for calculating CO_2, CH_4 and N_2O emissions.

	CO_2		CH_4		N_2O	
GHG CATEGORIES	Method applied	Emission factor	Method applied	Emission factor	Method applied	Emission factor
1. Energy						
A. Fuel combustion	T1, T2	CS	T1, T3	CS, OTH	T1, T3	CS, OTH
1. Energy industries	T1	CS	T1	CS	T1	CS
2. Manufacturing industries and construction	T1	CS	T1	CS	T1	CS
3. Transport	T1, T2	CS	T1, T3	CS, OTH	T1, T3	CS, OTH
4. Other sectors	T1	CS	T1	CS	T1	CS
2. Industrial processes and product use						
D. Non-energy products from fuels and solvent use	T1	D	NA	NA	NA	NA
G. Other product manufacture and use	NA	NA	NA	NA	T1	D
3. Agriculture						
A. Enteric fermentation			T1, T2	CS, D		
B. Manure management			T1, T2	CS, D	T1	SC, D
D. Agricultural soils			T1	D	T1	D
4. Land use, land-use change and forestry						e
A. Forest land	T1, T2	CS, D	T1, T2	CS, D	NA	NA
B. Cropland	T1	D	T1	CS	NA	NA
C. Grassland	T1	D	T1	CS	NA	NA
D. Wetlands	T1	D	T1	CS	NA	NA
E. Settlements	T1	D	T1	CS	NA	NA
F. Other land	T1	D	T1	CS	NA	NA
5. Waste						
A. Solid waste disposal			T2	D		
B. Biological treatment of solid waste			T1	D	NA	NA
D. Wastewater treatment and discharge			T1	D	T1	D

Table 12.2 Methods applied and Emission factors used for calculating HFCs and SF_6 emissions in the Industrial processes and product use sector.

	HFCs		SF_6	
GHG CATEGORIES	Method applied	Emission factor	Method applied	Emission factor
2. Industrial Processes and Product Use				
F. Product Uses as Substitutes of ODS	T1	D	T1	D

Energy sector

All emissions in the Energy sector are from Fuel combustion activities (1.A.), and in these categories:

- **1.A.1 Energy industries**
  - 1.A.1.a Public electricity and heat production (incl. Waste incineration)
  - 1.A.1.c Manufacture of solid fuels and other energy industries
- **1.A.2 Manufacturing industries and construction**
  - 1.A.2.a Iron and steel
  - 1.A.2.b Non-ferrous metals
  - 1.A.2.c Chemicals
  - 1.A.2.d Pulp, paper and print
  - 1.A.2.e Food processing, beverages, and tobacco
  - 1.A.2.f Non-metallic minerals
  - 1.A.2.g v Construction
  - 1.A.2.g viii Other

- **1.A.3 Transport**
  - 1.A.3.a Domestic aviation
  - 1.A.3.b Road transportation
    - 1.A.3.b.i Cars
    - 1.A.3.b.ii Light duty trucks
    - 1.A.3.b.iii Heavy duty trucks
    - 1.A.3.b.iv Motorcycles
  - 1.A.3.d Domestic navigation
- **1.A.4 Other sectors**
  - 1.A.4.a Commercial/Institutional
  - 1.A.4.b Residential
  - 1.A.4.c Agriculture/Forestry/Fishing
    - 1.A.4.c.iii Fishing

Statistics Faroe Islands provides the information on fuel sales by fuel type (unit: m^3) and divided into eight main categories (original titles: Fishing vessels, Other ships, Transportation, Industry, Trading and Service, Residential and Communities, Institutions and Public power) each category again divided into subcategories.

The fuel data delivered by Statistics Faroe Islands originate from several sources. The main data sources are the two main oil companies in the Faroe Islands Effo and Magn. Fuel data not included in sales information from the oil companies are delivered by the industry to FEA, see Chapter 12.1.2.

Since the delivered data on fuel sale are not fully arranged according to IPCC guidelines, the FEA rearranges the data to comply with the guidelines.

Emission factors

Emissions from fuel combustion can be divided into two main sources: stationary and mobile combustion. Stationary combustion is fuel combustion related to e.g. industry on land, house heating and oil exploration. Mobile combustion includes the combustion in engines used for propulsion in the various modes of transport such as road transport, marine activities and aviation. The emission factors used for stationary, transport, waste and aviation are country specific and provided yearly by DCE. All emissions factors used in the inventory are found in Annex 1.

Emissions are calculated by multiplying fuel consumption data with an emission factor (e.g., in tonnes emission per GJ fuel).

Public electricity and heat production (1A1a)

The activity data used for calculations of emissions of GHG from Public electricity and heat production are the consumption of heavy fuel and diesel oil at electricity producing plants on the Faroe Islands. The emission factors are calculated and delivered by DCE, see Table 12.29 in Annex 1.a.

Manufacture of solid fuels and other energy industries (1A1c)

This category only covers the emissions of GHG from activities related to exploration drilling in Faroese territory. The operators deliver the activity data (usage of diesel on the rigs). The emission factors are calculated and delivered by DCE, see Table 12.29 in Annex 1.a.

Manufacturing industries and construction (1A2)

Statistics Faroe Islands deliver the activity data for oil usage. The emission factors are calculated and delivered by DCE, see Table 12.29 in Annex 1.a.

Domestic aviation (1A3a)

The Faroese airline company delivers data for jet fuel bunkered in the Faroe Islands. Since the Faroe Islands has accepted the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change as a part of the Kingdom of Denmark, aviation between Denmark and the Faroe Islands is to be reported as Domestic aviation. The jet fuel data is thus divided by destination: flights to destinations inside the Kingdom of Denmark, i.e., Denmark and Greenland (Domestic aviation), and to destinations outside the Danish Kingdom, e.g., Iceland, Norway, and Great Britain (International aviation). Fuel refuelled outside the Faroe Islands is not included in the Faroese inventory. The emission factors for aviation are calculated and delivered by DCE, see Table 12.31 in Annex 1.b.

Road transportation (1A3b)

The activity data for Road transportation is data for sale of gasoline and diesel to all types of vehicles at all filling stations in the Faroe Islands. The Statistics Faroe Islands deliver the data. The emission factors for road traffic are calculated and delivered by DCE by taking into account vehicle stock data from the Faroe Islands combined with assumptions on size and age distribution for each vehicle class derived from the Danish inventory. The Danish results are modified for Faroese traffic conditions such as other gross vehicle weights for heavy-duty vehicles and no highway driving conditions. The emissions factors are also modified because biofuel is not used in the Faroe Islands, unlike in Denmark. The emission factors are shown in Table 12.32 in Annex 1.b.

Domestic navigation (1A3d)

Statistics Faroe Islands deliver the activity data for oil used in Domestic navigation. The emission factors are calculated and delivered by DCE, see Table 12.33 in Annex 1.b.

Other sectors (1A4)

The activity data for oil usage used to calculate the GHG emissions from the Commercial/Institutional (1A4a) and Residential (1A4b) sectors are delivered by Statistics Faroe Islands. The emission factors calculated and delivered by DCE are found in Table 12.29 in Annex 1.a.

Fishing (1A4ciii)

Statistics Faroe Islands deliver the activity data (sale of oil to fishing vessels). In addition, FEA receives data from a private company selling oil to foreign fishing vessels bunkering in the Faroes. This data is not a part of the official statistic in Statistics of the Faroe Islands. The emission factors are calculated and delivered by DCE and are found in Table 12.33 in Annex 1.b.

The Faroese emission inventory includes all oil bunkered on Faroese territory, though excluding oil bunkered by international companies, i.e., from a foreign supplier to a foreign customer at open sea or on near-coast sites.

Industrial processes and product use sector

Emissions from Industrial processes and product use are allocated to these categories:

- **2.D Non-energy products from fuels and solvent use**
  - 2.D.1 Lubricant use
  - 2.D.2 Paraffin wax use
- **2.F Product uses as substitutes for ODS**
  - 2.F.1 Refrigeration and air conditioning
    - 2.F.1.a Commercial refrigeration
    - 2.F.1.b Domestic refrigeration
    - 2.F.1.c Industrial refrigeration
    - 2.F.1.d Transport refrigeration
    - 2.F.1.e Mobile air-conditioning
    - 2.F.1.f Stationary air-conditioning
- **2.G Other product manufacture and use**
  - 2.G.1 Electrical equipment (SF_6)
  - 2.G.3 N_2O from product uses
    - 2.G.3.a Medical applications

The inventory follows the principles in the IPCC Guidelines with a Tier 1 methodology. The emissions factors are IPPC default.

Non-energy products from fuels and solvent use

The activity data for lubricant use and wax are delivered by Statistics Faroe Islands.

Product uses as substitutes for ODS

The activity data on the consumption (import) of HFCs origin from FEA surveys that have been conducted annually since 2003. An estimate of the consumption has been done for the years 1990-2002. The inventory on F-gases (HFCs and SF6) is based on work initially carried out by the Danish Consultant Company "Provice", which also has carried out project updating this part of the inventory.

The activity data for installation of heat-pumps origins from FEA, Energy department.

Other product manufacture and use

The activity data on the consumption (import) of SF_6 origin from FEA surveys that have been conducted annually since 2003. An estimate of the consumption has been done for the years 1990-2002.

The activity data for N_2O is delivered by the importers.

Solvent and other product use

Since no data are available, emissions from solvent and other product use are not calculated.

Agricultural sector

GHG emissions from agriculture are calculated for following categories:

- **3.1 Livestock**
  - 3.A Enteric fermentation
  - 3.B Manure management
    - 3.B.1 CH_4
    - 3.B.2 N_2O

- **3.D Agricultural soils**
  - 3.D.1 Direct N_2O emissions from managed soils
  - 3.D.2 Indirect N_2O emission from managed soils

The inventory follows the principles in the IPCC Guidelines and the IPCC Good practice guidance. Tier 1 and Tier 2 method are used. In cases where country specific emission factors are not used, IPCC standard values are used.

The emissions are calculated with support from DCE and Agricultural Agency of the Faroe Islands.

Activity data is accessible on the homepage of Statistics Faroe Islands (number of cows and sheep).

LULUCF sector

GHG emissions from the LULUCF sector are calculated for following categories:

- 4.A. Forest land
- 4.B. Cropland
- 4.C. Grassland
- 4.E. Settlement
- 4.F. Other land

The inventory follows the principles in the IPCC Guidelines and the IPCC Good practice guidance. Tier 1 and Tier 2 method are used. In cases where country specific emission factors are not used, IPCC standard values are used. DCE has calculated the emissions in the LULUCF-sector.

Waste sector

GHG emissions from Waste are calculated for following categories:

- **5.A Solid waste disposal**
  - 5.A.1 Managed waste disposal sites
- **5.B Biological treatment of solid waste**
  - 5.B.2. Anaerobic digestion at biogas facilities
- **5.C. Incineration and open burning of waste**
  - 5.C.1 Waste incineration
- **5.D Wastewater treatment and discharge**
  - 5.D.1 Domestic wastewater
  - 5.D.2 Industrial wastewater

Solid waste disposal

The CH_4 emission at SWDSs is based on a First Order Decay (FOD) model corresponding to an IPCC tier 2/3 approach (IPCC, 2006). Data on waste types and amounts deposited at solid waste disposal sites is collected by the Faroese Environmental Agency. The model calculations are performed using landfill site characteristics and statistics on the amounts of waste fractions deposited each year.

Waste incineration

Waste incineration is done with energy recovery and as such, the emissions from waste incineration are allocated to the Energy sector. Emission factors relative to emissions of CO_2, N_2O and CH_4 from waste incineration in 1990-

2024 are listed in Table 12.30 in Annex 1.a. Heating values for waste incineration are listed in Table 12.3.

Table 12.3 Heating values (GJ/t) for waste, 1990-2024.

Year	Heating values
1990-1991	8,2
1992	9,0
1993-1994	9,4
1995	10,0
1996-2012	10,5
2013-2017	10,6
2018	10,82
2019	11,04
2020	11,26
2021	11,48
2022-2024	11,70

Wastewater Treatment and Discharge

N_2O and CH_4 emissions from domestic and industrial wastewater are estimated. The calculation of the N_2O emission uses population data from Statistics Faroes website and an estimate for average protein consumption combined with default values from the IPCC Guidelines.

For 5.D Wastewater treatment and discharge, country-specific methodologies are used for calculating the emissions of CH_4 and N_2O at wastewater treatment plants (WWTPs). N_2O formation and releases during the treatment processes at the WWTPs and from discharged effluent wastewater are included.

12.1.5 Brief description of key categories

A preliminary country-specific key category analysis (KCA) for Faroe Islands has been carried out for the 2026 submission by using the QA/QC tool in the ETF-software. The KCA is done for the year 2023 without filtering for sectors or gas. No disaggregation is done in the analysis.

Since the result from the analysis including LULUCF shows the same and more key categories than the analysis without LULUCF, only the former analysis is shown in this report. The results from the KCA are shown in Table 12.4 (level assessment) and Table 12.5 (trend assessment).

For both level and trend assessments, the result show that the category 1.A.4 Other Sectors - Liquid Fuels is no. 1. This category includes several significant emissions categories, especially Fisheries, the emission category with the highest emission.

In the KCA for 2023, twelve categories were identified as key categories due to the level and twelve were key categories due to the trend.

Of the twelve key sources due to level for the reporting year 2023 five are in the energy sector, of which CO_2 from liquid fuels contributes most with 81.7 % of the national total.

Of the remaining level key categories in the energy sector two are CO_2 from the Energy Industries, Other fossil fuel (i.e. waste incineration) and CO_2 from Domestic aviation. The last five key categories are N_2O from Direct and Indirect emission from managed Soils, HFCs and F-gases from Refrigeration and

Air conditioning, CO_2 from Grassland remaining Grassland and CH_4 from enteric fermentation.

The trend assessment shows that same twelve categories but in somewhat different order. Again, CO_2 from Other sectors – Liquid Fuels (i.e. Fisheries) is the no. 1 KC and F-gases from Refrigeration and Air condition is no. 2.

Carrying out the KCA without disaggregation has influenced the results and their usefulness. An improved KCA with disaggregation, will be carried out for next year's submission.

Table 12.4 Key category analysis, assessment level. Year 2023. Faroe Islands.

Key categories of emissions and removals		Gas	kt CO_2 eqv.	%	No.
1.A.4	Other Sectors - Liquid Fuels	CO_2	516,8	43,2	1
1.A.1	Fuel combustion - Energy Industries - Liquid Fuels	CO_2	152,7	12,8	2
1.A.3.b	Road Transportation	CO_2	131,4	11,0	3
1.A.2	Fuel combustion - Manufacturing Industries and Construction - Liquid Fuels	CO_2	108,6	9,1	4
1.A.3.d	Domestic Navigation - Liquid Fuels	CO_2	67,3	5,6	5
3.D.1	Direct N_2O Emissions from Managed Soils	N_2O	52,8	4,4	6
2.F.1	Refrigeration and Air conditioning	F-gases	48,1	4,0	7
4.C.1	Grassland Remaining Grassland	CO_2	34,8	2,9	8
3.A	Enteric Fermentation	CH_4	24,3	2,0	9
1.A.1	Fuel combustion - Energy Industries - Other Fossil Fuels	CO_2	21,3	1,8	10
3.D.2	Indirect N_2O Emissions from Managed Soils	N_2O	12,5	1,0	11
1.A.3.a	Domestic Aviation	CO_2	2,1	0,2	12

Table 12.5 Key category analysis, assessment trend. Year 2023. Faroe Islands.

Key categories of emissions and removals		Gas	%	No.
1.A.4	Other Sectors - Liquid Fuels	CO_2	27,3	1
2.F.1	Refrigeration and Air conditioning	F-gases	17,8	2
1.A.3.b	Road Transportation	CO_2	11,3	3
1.A.1	Fuel combustion - Energy Industries - Liquid Fuels	CO_2	7,6	4
3.D.1	Direct N_2O Emissions from Managed Soils	N_2O	7,0	5
1.A.2	Fuel combustion - Manufacturing Industries and Construction - Liquid Fuels	CO_2	6,4	6
4.C.1	Grassland Remaining Grassland	CO_2	5,4	7
3.A	Enteric Fermentation	CH_4	4,5	8
1.A.1	Fuel combustion - Energy Industries - Other Fossil Fuels	CO_2	4,2	9
3.D.2	Indirect N_2O Emissions from Managed Soils	N_2O	1,6	10
1.A.3.a	Domestic Aviation	CO_2	1,4	11
1.A.3.d	Domestic Navigation - Liquid Fuels	CO_2	1,2	12

The total result from the KCA is Annex 2, table 12.35.

12.1.6 Information on QA/QC plan including verification and treatment of confidential issues where relevant

Several measures are in place to ensure the quality of the greenhouse gas inventory for the Faroe Islands. The general QC activities include:

- Check that data from Statistics Faroe Islands and other data deliverers are correctly transferred to emissions spreadsheets.
- Check that data is correctly transferred between data processing steps, e.g., it is ensured that the data are imported correctly from the emission spread sheets/databases to the CRT Reporter.
- The time series are analysed. Any large fluctuations are investigated and explained/corrected.
- The completeness of the inventory is checked utilising the completeness checker incorporated in the CRT Reporter.

These types of QC checks are recommended as Tier 1 QC checks in the IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006).

No confidential issues are relevant.

The Faroese emission inventory is reviewed by Danish emission experts, who provide input to the inventory for the Faroe Islands compilers on necessary improvements etc. This is done as a QA procedure. When the emission estimates are transferred to DCE, the quality control system of the Danish emission inventory is applied to the data for the Faroe Islands. General uncertainty evaluation, including data on the overall uncertainty for the inventory totals.

Uncertainty evaluation has not been made for the Faroese inventory.

12.1.7 General assessment of the completeness

In general, the present greenhouse gas inventory for the Faroe Islands is complete for what is considered the significant sources.

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12.2 Trends in Greenhouse Gas Emissions

The trends present in this chapter cover the emissions from the Faroe Islands.

12.2.1 Description and interpretation of emission trends for aggregated greenhouse gas emissions

The greenhouse gas emissions are estimated according to the IPCC guidelines and are aggregated into five main sectors: Energy, Industrial processes and product use, Agriculture, Land use, land-use change and forestry and Waste.

The main part, 84 % of the emissions is from the fuel consumption in the energy sector, followed by Agriculture with 8 %, IPPU with 4 %, LULUCF with 3 % and Waste with 1 %.

Figure 12.1 shows the estimated total greenhouse gas emissions in CO_2 equivalents from 1990 to 2024. The total greenhouse gas emission in CO_2 equivalents has increased by 36 % from 1990 to 2024. Comments on the overall trends etc. are given in the sections below.

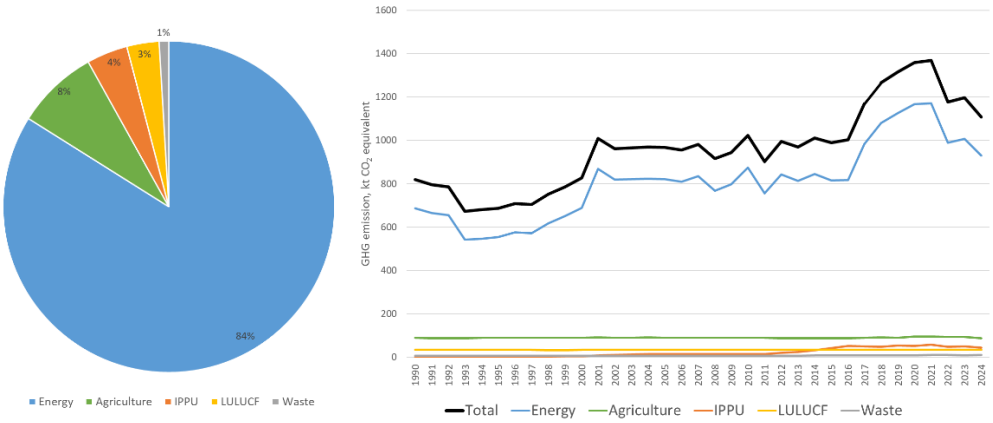


Figure 12.1 Greenhouse gas emissions in CO_2 equivalents distributed on main sectors for 2024 and time series for 1990 to 2024.

The greenhouse gases include CO_2, CH_4, N_2O, HFCs and SF_6. Figure 12.2 shows the composition of greenhouse gas emissions (CO_2, N_2O, CH_4 and F-gases) in 2024, calculated in GWP values. CO_2 is the most important greenhouse gas contributing with 86 %, followed by, N_2O with 7 % F-gases (HFCs and SF_6) with 6 % and CH_4 with 3 %.

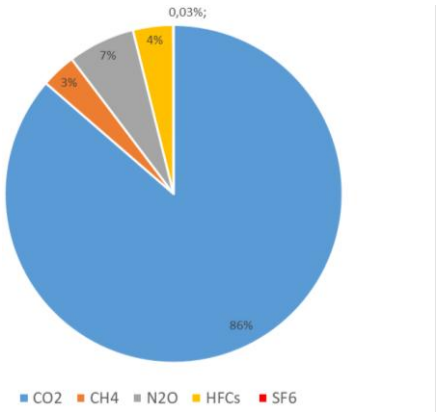


Figure 12.2 Emissions of GHG in CO_2 equivalents in 2024, distributed on type of gas.

Figure 12.3 shows the total emissions of greenhouse gases and the emission of CO_2, N_2O, CH_4 and F-gases (in CO_2 equivalents) in the period 1990-2024. From 1990 to 1993, a decrease is observed, due to an economic crisis in the Faroe Islands, which lasts for 6-8 years. From 2001 to 2007, the emissions were rather stabile. In 2008-2011, the emissions from Faroese fishing ship were significantly lower than previous years, especially due to rising oil prices and lower prices on fish. The decrease is concealed by emissions related to new bunkering activity starting in 2009 that has led to a substantial increase in the number of foreign fishing vessels bunkering in the Faroe Island. In general, the total emission of greenhouse gases on the Faroe Islands were relative sta-

bile from 2001 until 2016, from 900 to 1,000 thousand tonnes of CO_2 equivalents pr. year. A significant and step rise in the emission was seen in 2017 and in the following three years, increasing the emissions to more than 1.3 million tonnes CO_2 equivalents in 2020 as well in 2021. In 2022 a very significant decrease was in the total emissions 14 % lower than in 2021. After an 2.5 % increase in the total emissions in 2023, the total emissions again fell in 2024 with 7%. The total emissions in 2024 were 1.11 million tonnes of CO_2 equivalents, see Chapter 12.3.1.

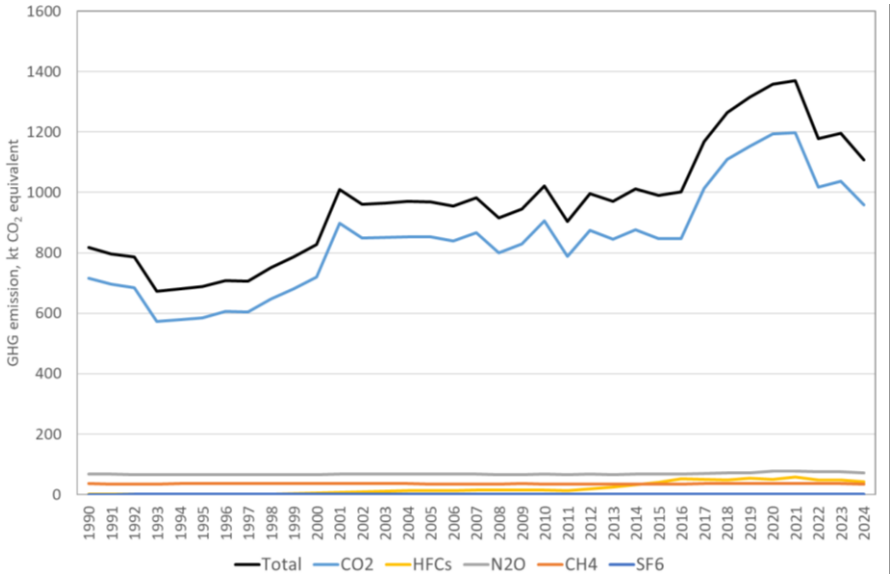


Figure 12.3 GHG emission by gas in CO_2 equivalents, time series 1990-2024.

12.2.2 Description and interpretation of emission trends by gas

Carbon dioxide

The emission of CO_2 on the Faroe Islands is primarily from fuel consumption but also from LULUCF and other sources. The trend in the total emission of CO_2 (Figure 12.4) is nearly identical with the trend of the total emission of GHG in the Faroe Islands (Figure 12.3). After the economic decline in the 1990's, the emissions rose and were rather constant until 2007. From 2008 to 2011, the effort in the Faroese fishing fleet was significantly lower than previous years, also meaning a significant reduction in oil consumption. The reduction in the emissions for fisheries in 2009 and 2011 is not visible due to the upstart of a new oil bunkering activity in 2009, increasing the emissions. As seen in Figure 12.4, showing the CO_2 emissions by sector, the rise in the total emissions in 2017-2021 was primarily due to more energy usage on fishing vessels, especially in 2017 and 2018, secondarily due to rise in use of fuel in the production of public electricity. Likewise, the reductions in the total emissions in 2022 and 2024 are due to reduced emissions from the same two key categories.

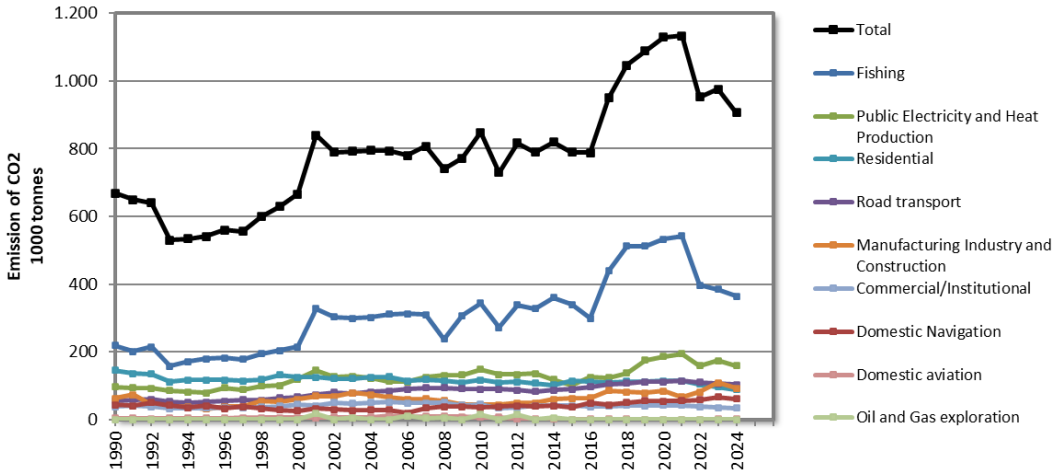


Figure 12.4 Total CO_2 emissions, by sector, time series for 1990-2024.

Figure 12.5 shows how the CO_2 emissions are distributed between categories. In 2024, 40 % of the emissions of CO_2 came from fishing vessels and 18 % from Public electricity and heat production. Road transportation, Manufacturing industry and construction and Residents each accounted for around 10 % of the total CO_2 emission.

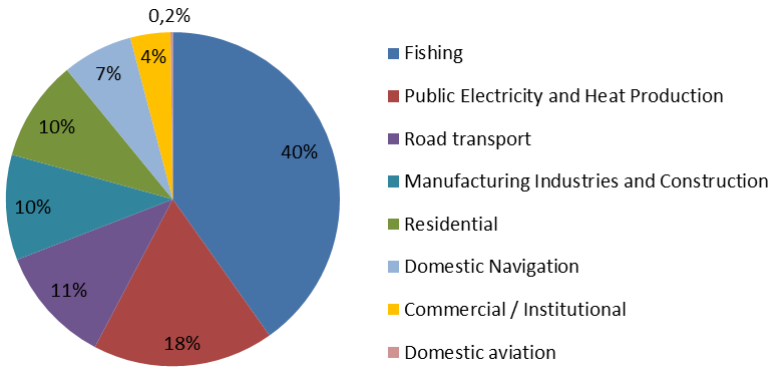


Figure 12.5 Emissions of CO_2 in the Energy sector, divided in fuel consumption categories, in CO_2 equivalents, 2024.

Nitrous oxide

Figure 12.6 shows the emissions of nitrous oxide in the Faroe Islands 1990-2024. Almost all N_2O emissions are from the Agricultural sector (90 %), i.e. mostly from animals grazing on agricultural soils, see Chapter 12.5.6. A smaller contribution comes from energy with 8 % and from the effluent from domestic and industrial wastewater, with 2 %, as in indirect N_2O emission from the wastewater after disposal of effluent into the sea. 0, 2 % of the total emission of N_2O comes from emission from medical use of N_2O.

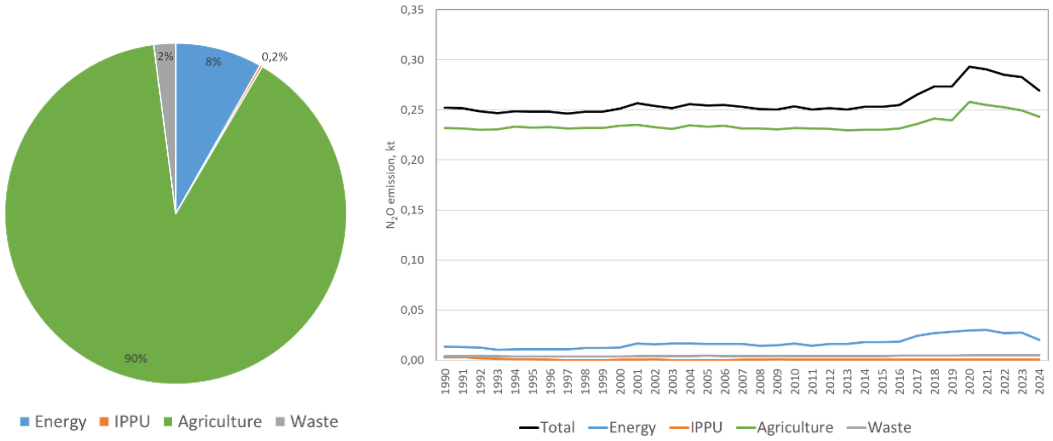


Figure 12.6 N_2O emissions in tonnes distributed on sector and time series for 1990-2024.

Methane

Figure 12.7 shows the emissions of methane in the Faroe Islands 1990-2024. Most of the methane emission is from the agriculture sector (74 %), especially from enteric fermentation. The second source is the waste sector, landfills and wastewater treatment, accounting for 25 %. The Energy sector comes with 1 % due to aviation activity. Lastly the LULUCF sector comes with 0,3 % which is methane emissions from drained grassland.

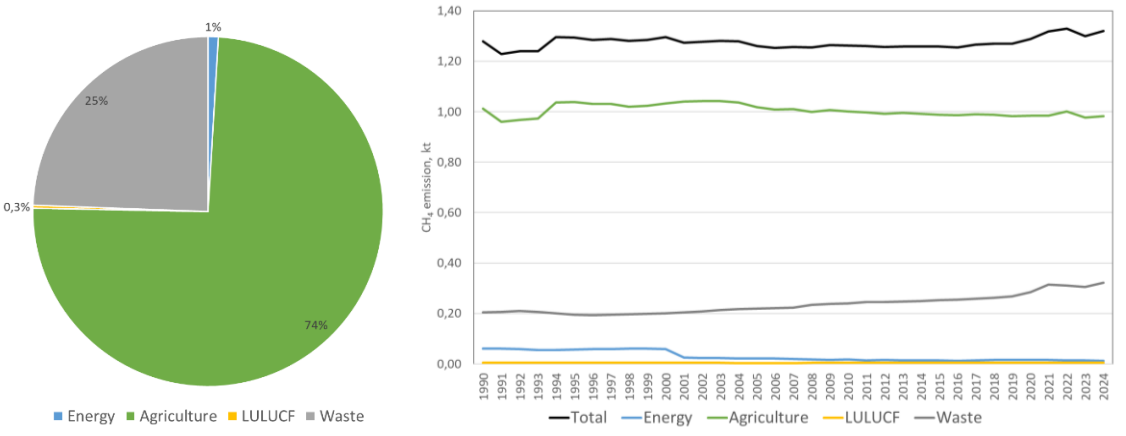


Figure 12.7 CH_4 emissions in tonnes distributed on sectors and time series for 1990-2024.

HFCs, PFCs, SF_6 and NF_3

Figure 12.8 shows the emissions of F-gases, HFCs and SF_6 respectively, in the years 1990-2024. Most of the emission is HFCs, used for refrigeration purposes, as substitutes for HCFCs. After the emissions increased in the period 1996-2005, the emissions were rather stable at around 14,000 tonnes of CO_2 equivalents pr. year until 2011. Since then, the emission has increased each year, and in 2018-2022, the emissions of HFC have more than three-folded since 2012, to in total around 50 kt of CO_2 equivalents in 2024. This is due to higher use of HFC-125 and HFC-143a, both components in the HFC-blend HFC-507a, which in recent years has been used as a substitute when phasing out HCFC-22 (ozone depleting substance, freezing agent) on fishing vessels. See also Table 12.4. Since new regulations came into effect in 2024, the import of HFC have reduced significantly. Importers have quotas and tax is on HFCs.

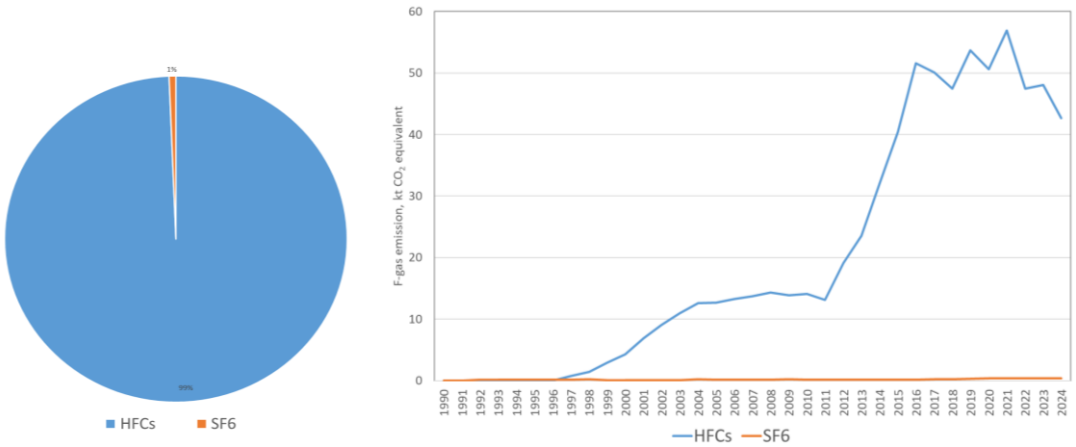


Figure 12.8 F-gas emissions in CO_2 equivalents, contribution from type of F-gas and time series for 1990-2024.

Neither PFCs nor NF_3 have been in use in the Faroe Islands.

12.2.3 Description and interpretation of emission trends by source

In 2024, 84 % of all GHG emissions were from the Energy sector, including waste incineration, 8 % of the emissions came from Agriculture and 4 % from Industrial processes and product use. The remaining emission were from LU-LUCF (3 %) and the Waste sector (1 %), see Figure 12.9 (and Figure 12.1).

The fluctuations in the GHG emissions in the Energy sector are decisive for the fluctuations in the total GHG emissions, see Figure 12.9. The emissions from the Agricultural sector, LULUCF sector and the Waste sector are relatively small and constant.

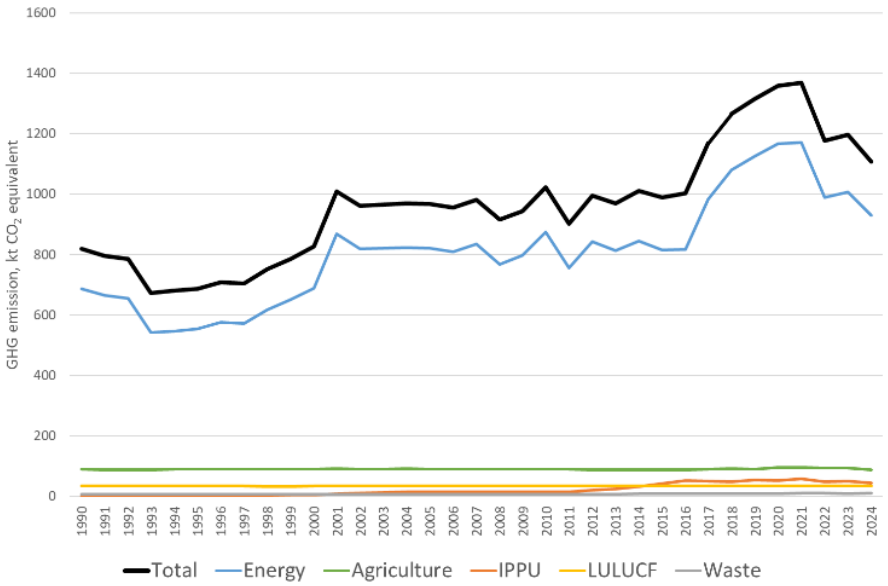


Figure 12.9 GHG emissions in CO_2 equivalents, main sectors, time series 1990-2024.

12.2.4 Description and interpretation of emission trends for indirect greenhouse gases and SO_2

Emission trends for indirect greenhouse gases and SO_2 have not been made for the Faroe Islands.

12.3 Energy (CRT sector 1)

12.3.1 Overview of the sector

Fuel consumption on the Faroe Islands, 1990-2024, can be seen in Figure 12.10. Most of the fuel is used by fishing vessels.

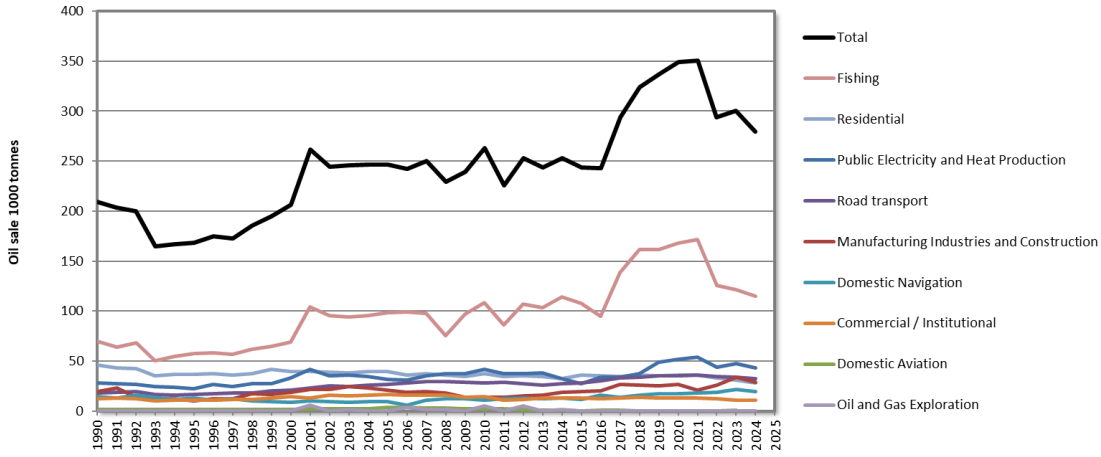


Figure 12.10 Fuel consumption (tonnes) in the Energy sector, including waste incineration, 1990-2024.

Figure 12.11 shows the GHG emissions from the Energy sector on the Faroe Islands 1990-2024. The trend is as expected just the same as in Figure 12.10.

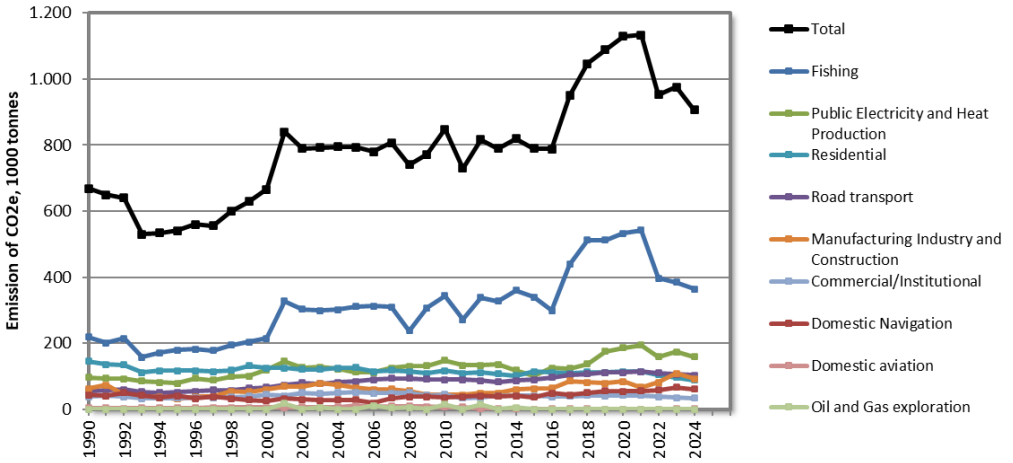


Figure 12.11 GHG emissions in CO_2 equivalents, categories in the Energy sector, 1990-2024.

After a period from around 2001 with relative stable total greenhouse gas emissions around 800 kt CO_2 equivalents in the Energy sector, the emission rose dramatically in 2017 and continued to rise until a peak in 2021 with a total emission 1.2 million tonnes of CO_2 equivalents. The total emissions declined significantly in 2022, primarily due to a reduction in emission from Fishing ships. Especially in the emission from foreign fishing ships, with a 90 % reduction primarily due to a stop in oil deliverance to Russian vessels as an economic sanction against Russia following the country's invasion of Ukraine in 2022. A 20 % reduction in the emissions from Public heat and electricity production in 2022 relative to 2021 did result in a 2,7 % reduction in the total emission in 2022 relative to 2021. The reason for this reduction was primarily installation of more wind power on the net and relatively much rain, thus more energy from hydropower. See Figure 12.11. After the significant decline, the total emissions of greenhouse gases rose again with 2.5 % in 2023 increasing the total emissions of greenhouse gases to 1 million tonnes of CO_2 equivalents. The reason for this increase is primarily due to rise in fuel usage, more

specifically in a 32 % rise in the emissions of greenhouse gases from Manufacturing industries and construction, and a 9 % increase in electricity production and 15 % increase in Domestic navigation. In 2024 the total emissions again fell to a lower level than in 2022. This times emission fell in all Energy categories.

Figure 12.12 shows how the emission of greenhouse gas in 2024 was distributed between groups of fuel users. Fishing vessels, Public electricity and heat production, Residential and Road transportation had 35 %, 18 %, 11 % and 11 %, respectively, of the emissions in the Energy sector in 2024.

Waste incineration is included in Public Electricity and Heat Production, comprising 11 % of this category in 2024.

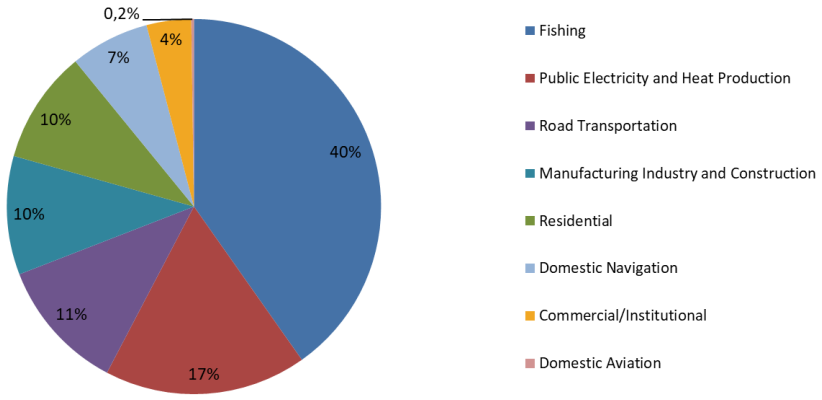


Figure 12.12 GHG emissions in CO_2 equivalents; Energy sector divided in categories, 2024.

12.3.2 Reference approach

In the 2022 submission, the reference approach was reported for the first time. Further improvements need to be made as it relates to incorporation of data on international bunkers and to investigate the differences between the sectoral and reference approaches.

12.3.3 Fugitive emissions (CRT sector 1B)

Fugitive emissions of GHG gases are estimated to be very limited on the Faroe Islands. These emissions have not been estimated.

12.3.4 Uncertainty

The uncertainties have not been calculated.

12.3.5 Recalculations and improvements

See chapter 12.9 Recalculations and improvements.

12.4 Industrial processes and product use (CRT Sector 2)

There is no chemical industry, no metal production, no production of F-gases and no mineral production in the Faroe Islands.

12.4.1 Overview of the sector

The only industrial processes leading to GHG emissions on the Faroe Islands is the use of f-gases and use of lubricants, paraffin, wax and use of N_2O in medical use. Of the total emissions in 2024, 4 % are emissions related to Industrial processes and product use.

Figure 12.13 shows the greenhouse gas emissions from Industrial processes and product use sector on the Faroe Islands in the period 1990-2024.

The increase in f-gas emissions, starting in 1996, is due to use of HFCs in refrigeration, as substitute for ODS. See also Figure 12.8.

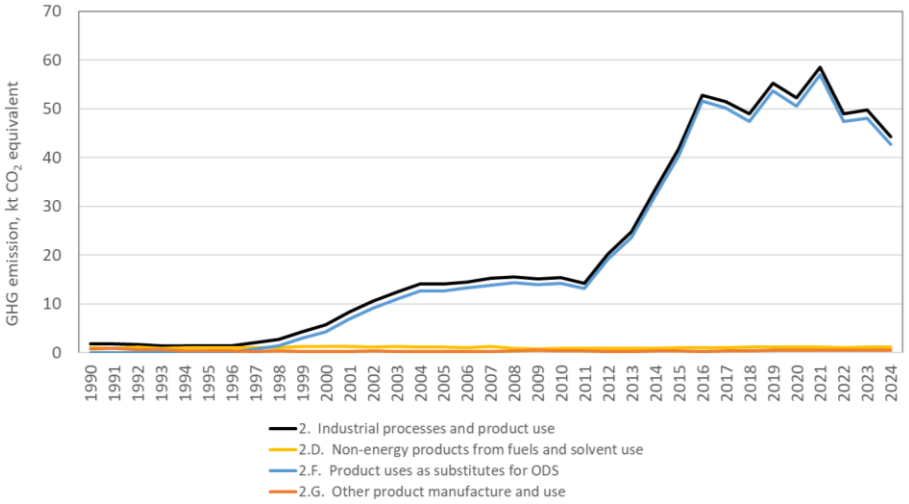


Figure 12.13 Emissions of greenhouse gasses from the subcategories in Industrial processes and product us, 1990-2024, kt CO_2 equivalents.

Mineral Industry (2A)

There is no mineral production in the Faroe Islands, other than paving roads with asphalt, which does not lead to direct greenhouse gas emissions.

Chemical industry (2B)

No chemical industry with GHG emission is in the Faroe Islands.

Metal industry (2C)

No metal production industry is in the Faroe Islands.

Non-energy products from fuels and solvent use (2D)

CO_2 emissions from lubricant use and paraffin wax use have been estimated and reported. The activity data are from Statistics Faroe Islands and the methodologies used are the IPCC tier 1 methodologies. In the calculation the IPCC default net calorific values for lubricants and paraffin wax as well as the default carbon content is used. The IPCC default percentage of carbon oxidised during use (ODU) is 20 % and this value has been used.

Production of halocarbons and SF_6 (2E)

There is no production of halocarbons and SF_6 in the Faroe Islands.

Product uses as substitutes for ODS (2F)

Of the total emissions of f-gases, nearly all (99 %) is HFC gasses. They are used as substitutes for ozone depleting substance HCFC-22, used for refrigeration purposes domestically, commercially and in the industry. Four different types of HFCs are used on the Faroe Islands, mostly in different HFC gas blends, such as R-507.

The HFC emissions are reported with the following assumptions:

- Commercial refrigeration is use in land-based units.
- Domestic refrigeration is use in freezers and refrigerators.

- Industrial refrigeration is use on ships.
- Mobile air-conditioning is use in cars, buses, and trucks.
- Stationary air-conditioning is use in heat-pumps.

Time series of the emission (tonnes) of the four different HFC for the years 1990, 2000, 2005, 2010, 2015-2024, are seen in Table 12.6 and in Figure 12.14.

Table 12.6 Emissions of HFCs from refrigeration and air conditioning, 1990, 2000, 2005, 2010, 2015-2024 (tonnes).

	1990	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Domestic refrigeration														
HFC-134a	NO	0,003	0,009	0,013	0,011	0,010	0,009	0,007	0,006	0,005	0,004	0,003	0,002	0,001
Commercial refrigeration														
HFC-134a	NO	0,046	0,136	0,159	0,293	0,274	0,267	0,256	0,539	0,539	0,586	0,537	0,573	1,006
HFC-32	NO	0,087	0,319	0,081	0,110	0,092	0,044	0,018	0,028	0,043	0,051	0,068	0,142	0,872
HFC-125	NO	0,146	0,506	0,544	1,026	1,106	1,133	1,150	1,346	1,284	1,333	1,076	1,309	1,765
HFC-143a	NO	0,056	0,185	0,523	1,008	1,101	1,174	1,232	1,461	1,379	1,432	1,117	1,309	1,012
Industrial refrigeration														
HFC-134a	NO	0,158	0,433	0,371	0,164	0,116	0,154	0,119	0,254	0,236	0,416	0,369	0,281	0,218
HFC-125	NO	0,338	0,995	0,996	3,791	5,110	4,865	4,519	4,910	4,641	5,267	4,417	4,336	3,581
HFC-143a	NO	0,398	1,167	1,141	3,874	5,187	4,940	4,570	5,074	4,799	5,562	4,663	4,513	3,671
Mobile Air Conditioning														
HFC-134a	NO	0,16	0,36	0,30	0,61	0,65	0,69	0,64	0,59	0,53	0,49	0,45	0,41	0,37
Stationary Air Conditioning														
HFC-32	NO	NO	NO	0,031	0,060	0,066	0,073	0,081	0,171	0,121	0,135	0,146	0,177	0,223
HFC-125	NO	NO	NO	0,031	0,060	0,066	0,073	0,081	0,171	0,112	0,117	0,119	0,120	0,136

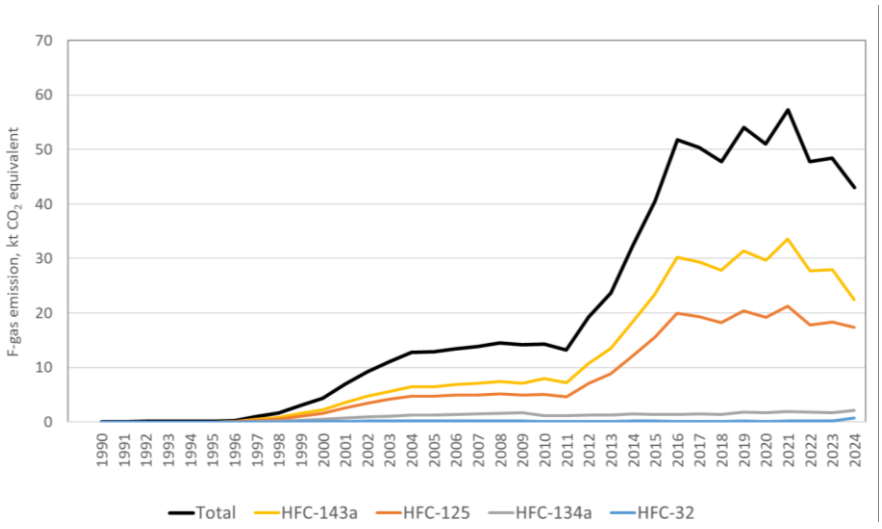


Figure 12.14 Emissions of HFCs and SF_6, in CO_2 equivalents from *Product uses as substitutes for ODS*, 1990-2024, kt CO_2 eqv.

Other product manufacture and use (2G)

Emission included in Other products manufacture and use are SF_6 from Electrical equipment and N_2O from medical use. Import data are in table 12.7.

Table 12.7 Emission of SF_6 and N_2O from Electrical equipment and Medical appliances, kt CO_2 eqv.

	1990	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
2.G.1 Electrical equipment														
SF_6 (t)	NO	0.08	0.06	0.05	0.07	0.05	0.35	0.43	0.57	0.51	0.12	0.02	0.04	0.06
2.G.3 Medical application														
N_2O (kt)	2.8	0.4	0.2	0.7	0.6	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.7	0.4

Figure 12.15 shows the emissions of SF_6 from Electrical equipment and N_2O emission from medical use on the Faroe Islands 1990-2024.

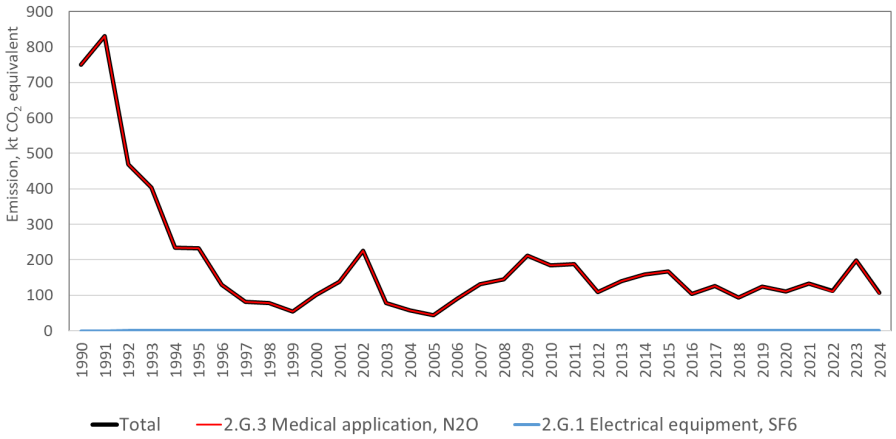


Figure 12.15 Emission of N_2O and SF_6, in CO_2 equivalents, time series for *Other product manufacture and use*, 1990-2024.

N_2O emissions are estimated based on the imported amounts. There is no production of N_2O in the Faroe Islands. In accordance with the 2006 IPCC Guidelines, an emission factor of 1 is assumed. All emissions are reported under 2.G.3.a Medical applications as this is considered the main (perhaps only) use.

12.4.2 Uncertainty

Estimations of the uncertainties for emission calculations in the sector Industrial processes and product use have not been done.

12.4.3 Recalculations and improvements

See chapter 12.9 Recalculations and improvements.

12.5 Agriculture (CRT Sector 3)

Eight percent of the total GHG emissions on the Faroe Islands in 2024 are due to agricultural activities. The sources are primarily cattle and sheep. The agricultural sector at the Faroe Islands is a relatively small contributor to the total greenhouse gas emission. In the Faroe Islands, only 5-6% of the total area is cultivated and less than 1% of Faroese are today full-time farmers. However, sheep-keeping and hay cultivation is common in the countryside.

Figure 12.16 shows the total emissions from the Agricultural sector. The emissions are very constant.

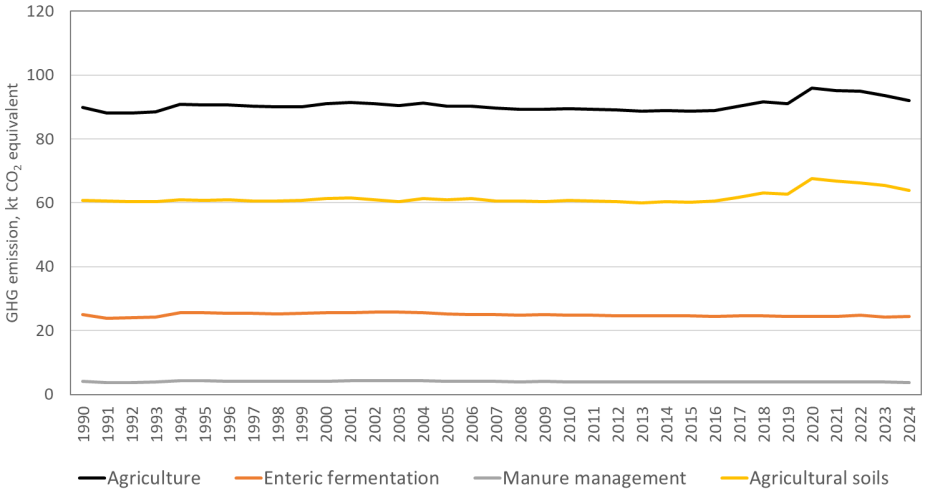


Figure 12.16 GHG emissions in CO_2 equivalents, in the Agricultural sector, 1990-2024.

12.5.1 Overview

The emission of greenhouse gases from agricultural activities includes:

- CH_4 emission from Manure management and Enteric fermentation.
- N_2O emission from Manure management and Agricultural soil (direct and indirect N_2O emission from managed soils).

12.5.2 CH_4 and N_2O emission from the livestock production

Number of animals

There are no official requirements for registration of the individual sheep, and there is no slaughterhouse in the Faroes Islands, which is a challenge for estimation of the population. The sheep management is not driven by an intensively production, thus the sheep farmers slaughter their sheep themselves, and the products is used by the farmers themselves or their family members, and only a small part of the meat may be sold within the Faroes (Austrheim et al., 2008).

In the Faroese national emission inventory, the number of sheep is estimated to approximately 80,000 for all years 1990–2024; approximately 75,000 mother sheep and 5,000 rams. Furthermore, the Agricultural Agency of the Faroe Islands has estimated the number of lambs to 52,500 based on the assumption that each mother sheep in average produce 0.7 lamb, see Table 12.8.

In the reporting, lamb as well as rams are not included.

Table 12.8 Number of sheep in the Faroe Islands.

	Winther	Spring	Summer	Autumn
Ewe/Áseyður/Moderfår	75 000	75 000	75 000	75 000
Rams/Young rams Veðrar/veðragjólingar Væddere/ Unge væddere	2 500	2 500	2 500	2 500
Lamb in the autumn and sheep that grazes on grass-covered terraces in bird cliffs Heystlomb, skoraseyður Efterårsfår og får, som græsser på terrasser i fuglebjerge	2 500	2 500	2 500	2 500
Lamb/Lomb/Lam	-	-	52 500	52 500
Inside in sheephouse Inni í fjósi, seyðahúsi / Inde i stald, fårehus	2 500	6 000	-	-
In the outfield / Haga / I udmarken	77 500	74 000	132 500	132 500
Sheep in total Seyður í alt / Får i alt	80 000	80 000	132 500	132 500

Reference: Jens Ivan í Gerðinum, The Agricultural Agency of the Faroe Islands.

The number of dairy cattle and non-dairy cattle is based on data from Statistics of Faroe Islands. The national emission inventory distinguishes between dairy cattle and non-dairy cattle (all other cattle), see Table 12.9.

Table 12.9 Number of cattle at the Faroe Islands, 1990-2024.

IPCC code	Livestock category, no. of cattle	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
3A1	Total cattle	2,070	2,322	2,306	2,135	1,990	1,872	1,837	1,860	2,050	1,758	1,816
3A1a	Dairy cattle	1,040	1,206	1,118	1,049	919	841	784	777	773	773	774
3A1b	Non-Dairy	1,030	1,116	1,188	1,086	1,071	1,031	1,053	1,083	1,277	985	1,042

Reference: Hagstova Føroya, Statistics of Faroe Islands.

Figure 12.17 shows the number of cattle in the Faroe Islands from 1990 to 2024.

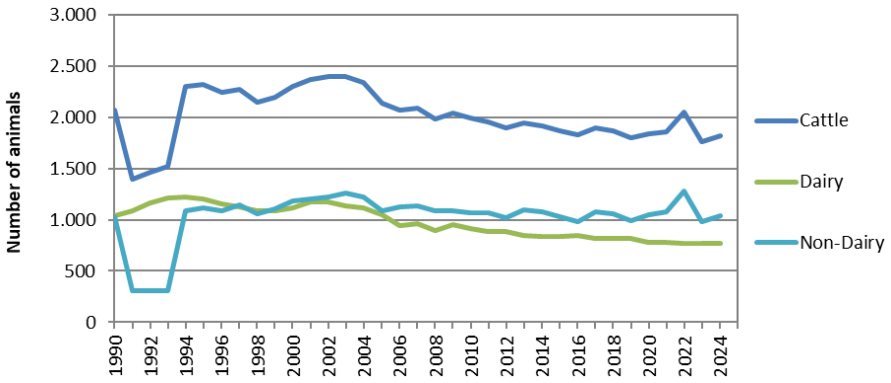


Figure 12.17 Number of cattle (dairy and non-dairy), time series for 1990-2024.

12.5.3 CH_4 emission from Enteric fermentation (CRT Sector 3A)

The calculation of CH_4 production from the animals' digestive process is based on the total gross energy intake (GE) in feed and the CH_4 conversion

factor (Ym), which is the fraction of gross energy in feed converted to CH_4 (see IPCC 2006 calculation equation below).

EQUATION 10.21
CH_4 EMISSION FACTORS FOR ENTERIC FERMENTATION FROM A LIVESTOCK CATEGORY

$$EF = \left[\frac{GE \bullet \left(\frac{Y_m}{100} \right) \bullet 365}{55.65} \right]$$

Where:

EF = emission factor, kg CH_4 $head^{-1}$ yr^{-1}

GE = gross energy intake, MJ $head^{-1}$ day^{-1}

Y_m = methane conversion factor, per cent of gross energy in feed converted to methane

The factor 55.65 (MJ/kg CH_4) is the energy content of methane

Table 12.10 lists the GE factors used in the calculations. The value for dairy cattle, 215 MJ/head/day is based on the mean production of 30 kg milk and 600 kg dairy cow (McDonald *et al.*). Source: The Agriculture Agency of the Faroe Islands. Since the GE calculations for non-dairy cattle and sheep are not complete, the GE-values have been estimated by scaling the value relative to the corresponding Icelandic values[1]. In Table 12.10, GE-values for cattle, the estimated values are in italic.

Table 12.10 GE-values for cattle and sheep (MJ/head/day).

	Dairy cattle	Non-dairy cattle	Sheep
Faroe Islands	215[E]	*151[E]*	*22[E]*
Iceland	250	175	25

(E) Estimated.

Table 12.11 lists the Ym factors recommend in IPCC 2006.

Table 12.11 Methane conversion factors – Ym.

Livestock category	Ym, %
Dairy cattle	6.5
Non-Dairy	6.5
Mature sheep	6.5
Lamb	4.5

Reference: IPCC 2006, Table 10.12 and 10.13.

Figure 12.18 shows emissions of CH_4 from enteric fermentation in livestock on the Faroe Islands, 1990-2024.

[1] ICELAND National Inventory Report. https://unfccc.int/documents/273420

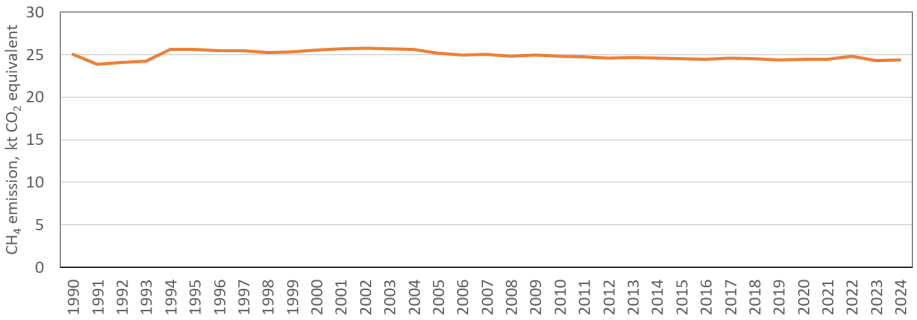


Figure 12.18 CH_4 emissions in CO_2 equivalents from enteric fermentation, 1990-2024.

12.5.4 CH_4 emission from Manure Management (CRT Sector 3B)

To calculate the CH_4 emission from manure management, information is needed about:

- The content of volatile solid (VS) in manure
- Allocation on manure management system

Based on this information an average CH_4 emission per animal per year has been estimated. See IPCC 2006 calculation equation below:

EQUATION 10.23
CH_4 EMISSION FACTOR FROM MANURE MANAGEMENT

$$EF_{(T)} = (VS_{(T)} \bullet 365) \bullet \left[B_{o(T)} \bullet 0.67\, kg/m^3 \bullet \sum_{S,k} \frac{MCF_{S,k}}{100} \bullet MS_{(T,S,k)} \right]$$

Where:

$EF_{(T)}$ = annual CH_4 emission factor for livestock category T, kg CH_4 animal^{-1} yr^{-1}

$VS_{(T)}$ = daily volatile solid excreted for livestock category T, kg dry matter animal^{-1} day^{-1}

365 = basis for calculating annual VS production, days yr^{-1}

$B_{o(T)}$ = maximum methane producing capacity for manure produced by livestock category T, m^3 CH_4 kg^{-1} of VS excreted

0.67 = conversion factor of m^3 CH_4 to kilograms CH_4

$MCF_{(S,k)}$ = methane conversion factors for each manure management system S by climate region k, %

$MS_{(T,S,k)}$ = fraction of livestock category T's manure handled using manure management system S in climate region k, dimensionless

The content of volatile solid (VS) in manure has been calculated, see the IPCC equation below.

EQUATION 10.24
VOLATILE SOLID EXCRETION RATES

$$VS = \left[GE \bullet \left(1 - \frac{DE\%}{100} \right) + (UE \bullet GE) \right] \bullet \left[\left(\frac{1 - ASH}{18.45} \right) \right]$$

Where:

VS = volatile solid excretion per day on a dry-organic matter basis, kg VS day^{-1}

GE = gross energy intake, MJ day^{-1}

DE% = digestibility of the feed in percent (e.g. 60%)

(UE • GE) = urinary energy expressed as fraction of GE. Typically 0.04GE can be considered urinary energy excretion by most ruminants (reduce to 0.02 for ruminants fed with 85% or more grain in the diet or for swine). Use country-specific values where available.

ASH = the ash content of manure calculated as a fraction of the dry matter feed intake (e.g., 0.08 for cattle). Use country-specific values where available.

18.45 = conversion factor for dietary GE per kg of dry matter (MJ kg^{-1}). This value is relatively constant across a wide range of forage and grain-based feeds commonly consumed by livestock.

Table 12.12 shows the values used in the calculation of VS. For DE is used IPCC default, 70 % for dairy cattle and 60 % for non-dairy cattle, mother sheep

and lamb. Furthermore, IPCC default is used for UE, 0.04 and ASH content, 8 % for all animal categories.

Table 12.12 Values used to estimate the volatile solid (VS) in manure.

	GE	DE - Digestibility	UE - Urinary Energy	ASH	VS
Livestock category	MJ/head/yr	%		%	kg dry matter /head/day
Dairy cattle	215	70	0.04	8	3.6
Non-Dairy	151	60	0.04	8	3.3
Mature sheep	22	60	0.04	8	0.5
Lamb	(*)	60	0.04	8	(*)

(*) Lamb will be included in next year's reporting.

The estimate for VS is used as input data for calculation of the CH_4 emission factor from manure management. The emission is depending on the manure type, which must be reflected, thus emission from liquid manure is higher compared to solid manure.

Table 12.13 presents the parameters used in the calculations of the $EF_{(T)}$. The values for the methane conversion factor (MCF) and the maximum methane producing capacity (B_o) are based on the IPCC default. The allocation of manure management system is based on information from the Faroese Agriculture Agency.

Table 12.13 Parameters used to calculate the average CH_4 emission per animal (Dairy, Non-Dairy and Sheep) per year.

	MMS	VS	B_0	MCF	CH_4 EF
Dairy cattle	% allocation	kg dry matter/ head/day	m^3/kg CH_4/ VS excreted	%	kg CH_4/ head/yr
Total	100				
Liquid/slurry	*17*	*3.6*[R]	0.24	17	36.4
Solid storage	*0*	*3.6*[R]	0.24	17	36.4
Dry lot	*0*	*3.6*[R]	0.24	1	2.1
Pasture	*0*	*3.6*[R]	0.24	1	2.1
Daily spread	*0*	*3.6*[R]	0.24	.,1	0.2
Digester	*83*	*3.6*[R]	0.24	10	21.4
Burned for fuel	*0*	*3.6*[R]	0.24	10	21.4
Other	*0*	*3.6*[R]	0.24	1	2.1
CH_4 weighted EF, kg CH_4/head/yr					23.9

	MMS	VS	B_0	MCF	CH_4 EF
Non-Dairy cattle	% allocation	kg dry matter/ head/day	m^3/kg CH_4/ VS excreted	%	kg CH_4/ head/yr
Total	100				
Liquid/slurry	*17*	*3.3*	0.18	17	24.8
Solid storage	*0*	*3.3*	0.18	17	24.8
Dry lot	*0*	*3.3*	0.18	1	1.5
Pasture	*0*	*3.3*	0.18	1	1.5
Daily spread	*0*	*3.3*	0.18	0.1	0.1
Digester	*83*	*3.3*	0.18	10	14.6
Burned for fuel	*0*	*3.3*	0.18	10	14.6
Other	*0*	*3.3*	0.18	1	1.5
CH_4 weighted EF, kg CH_4/head/yr					16.3

	MMS	VS	B_0	MCF	CH_4 EF
Mature sheep	% allocation	kg dry matter/ head/day	m^3/kg CH_4/ VS excreted	%	kg CH_4/ head/yr
Total	100				
Liquid/slurry	*0*	*0.5*	0.19	17	3.8
Solid storage	*20*	*0.5*	0.19	17	3.8
Dry lot	*0*	*0.5*	0.19	1	0.2
Pasture	*80*	*0.5*	0.19	1	0.2
Daily spread	*0*	*0.5*	0.19	0.1	0.02
Digester	*0*	*0.5*	0.19	10	2.2
Burned for fuel	*0*	*0.5*	0.19	10	2.2
Other	*0*	*0.5*	0.19	1	0.2
CH_4 weighted EF, kg CH_4/head/yr					0.9

Figure 12.19 shows emissions of N_2O and CH_4 from manure management on the Faroe Islands, 1990-2024, in CO_2 eqv. The emissions are very stable. The total yearly emission in recent years is around 4,000 tonnes of CO_2 eqv.

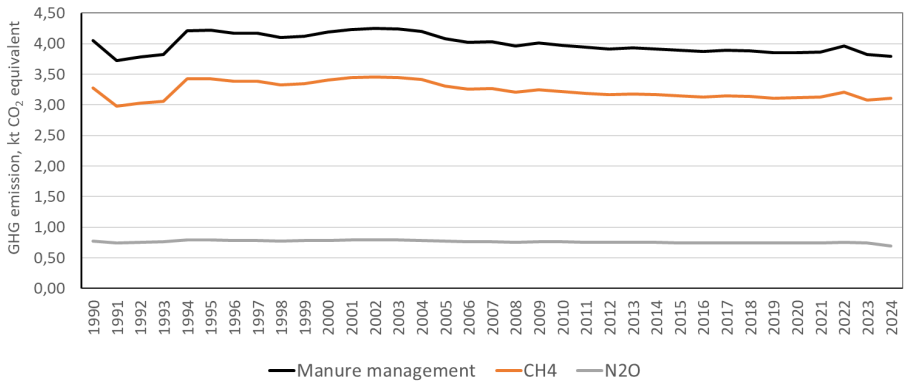


Figure 12.19 N_2O and CH_4 emission in CO_2 eqv. from Manure management, 1990-2024.

12.5.5 N_2O emission from Manure Management (CRT Sector 3B2)

The N_2O emission from manure management is divided into the direct emission and the indirect emission. The direct emission is depended on the manure type, while the indirect emission is from the volatilization of NH_3 and NO_2 (housing and storage), which also leads to N_2O emission. The emissions needed to have information on the animals N-excretion in manure and allocation of manure management system.

Conversion of N_2O–N emissions to N_2O emissions for reporting purposes is performed by using the following equation: $N_2O = N_2O\text{–}N * 44/28$.

Direct N_2O emission

The animal N-excretion is calculated based on the IPCC 2006 equation 10.30 (see below).

EQUATION 10.30
ANNUAL N EXCRETION RATES

$$Nex_{(T)} = N_{rate(T)} \bullet \frac{TAM}{1000} \bullet 365$$

Where:

$Nex_{(T)}$ = annual N excretion for livestock category T, kg N animal^{-1} yr^{-1}

$N_{rate(T)}$ = default N excretion rate, kg N (1000 kg animal mass)$^{-1}$ day^{-1} (see Table 10.19)

$TAM_{(T)}$ = typical animal mass for livestock category T, kg animal^{-1}

Information on typical animal mass for cattle and sheep is from Faroese Agricultural Agency. The values are: Dairy Cattle: 650 kg. Non-dairy cattle 400 kg and sheep 45 kg. The values for N-rate (kg N exc. per 1000 kg animal weight) refer to IPCC 2006 default (Table 10.19) for Western Europe. The weighted N-excretion for mature sheep and lamb is 10 kg N/head/yr, which match the average N-exr. for sheep for Iceland, Norway, and Finland. See Table 12.14.

Table 12.14 Variable used for estimation the N-excretion.

	N-rate	TAM	N-excretion
	Kg N-ex/1000 kg animal weight/day	Animal weight	Kg N-ex/head/yr
Dairy Cattle	0.48	650	114
Non-dairy cattle	0.33	400	48
Mature sheep	0.85	45	14

Besides the animals N-excretion, the direct N_2O emission depends on the allocation of manure management system, because the emissions factor varies between the manure types. Se IPCC equation below.

EQUATION 10.25
DIRECT N_2O EMISSIONS FROM MANURE MANAGEMENT

$$N_2O_{D(mm)} = \left[\sum_S \left[\sum_T \left(N_{(T)} \bullet Nex_{(T)} \bullet MS_{(T,S)}\right)\right] \bullet EF_{3(S)}\right] \bullet \frac{44}{28}$$

Where:

$N_2O_{D(mm)}$ = direct N_2O emissions from Manure Management in the country, kg N_2O yr^{-1}

$N_{(T)}$ = number of head of livestock species/category *T* in the country

$Nex_{(T)}$ = annual average N excretion per head of species/category *T* in the country, kg N $animal^{-1}$ yr^{-1}

$MS_{(T,S)}$ = fraction of total annual nitrogen excretion for each livestock species/category *T* that is managed in manure management system *S* in the country, dimensionless

$EF_{3(S)}$ = emission factor for direct N_2O emissions from manure management system *S* in the country, kg N_2O-N/kg N in manure management system *S*

S = manure management system

T = species/category of livestock

44/28 = conversion of $(N_2O\text{-}N)_{(mm)}$ emissions to $N_2O_{(mm)}$ emissions

The distribution on different manure management systems for cattle and sheep is provided by the Agriculture Agency of the Faroe Islands.

The N_2O emission factor for each manure type is based on the IPCC 2006 default, Table 10.21 and Table 11.1 for grassing animals. Note that N_2O for animal on grass is reported in CRT Table 3D (agricultural soils).

Indirect N_2O emission (housing + storage)

The indirect N_2O emission depends on the amount of N, which are volatilities as NH_3 and NO_2- see IPCC equation below. The volatilization is estimated based on NH_3 and NO_2 emission factor from the EMEP Guidebook 2019, Table 3.2 and Table 3.3, which distinguish between liquid and solid manure.

EQUATION 10.27
INDIRECT N_2O EMISSIONS DUE TO VOLATILISATION OF N FROM MANURE MANAGEMENT

$$N_2O_{G(mm)} = \left(N_{volatilization-MMS} \bullet EF_4\right) \bullet \frac{44}{28}$$

Where:

$N_2O_{G(mm)}$ = indirect N_2O emissions due to volatilization of N from Manure Management in the country, kg N_2O yr^{-1}

EF_4 = emission factor for N_2O emissions from atmospheric deposition of nitrogen on soils and water surfaces, kg N_2O-N (kg NH_3-N + NO_x-N volatilised)$^{-1}$; default value is 0.01 kg N_2O-N (kg NH_3-N + NO_x-N volatilised)$^{-1}$, given in Chapter 11, Table 11.3

Figure 12.19 shows emissions of N_2O (and CH_4) from manure management on the Faroe Islands, 1990-2024, in tonnes of CO_2 eqv. The emission is very constant from 1990-2024.

12.5.6 N_2O emission from agricultural soils (CRT Sector 3D)

Figure 12.20 shows the N_2O emissions from agricultural soil. Since the number of animals is constant, the emissions are also constant.

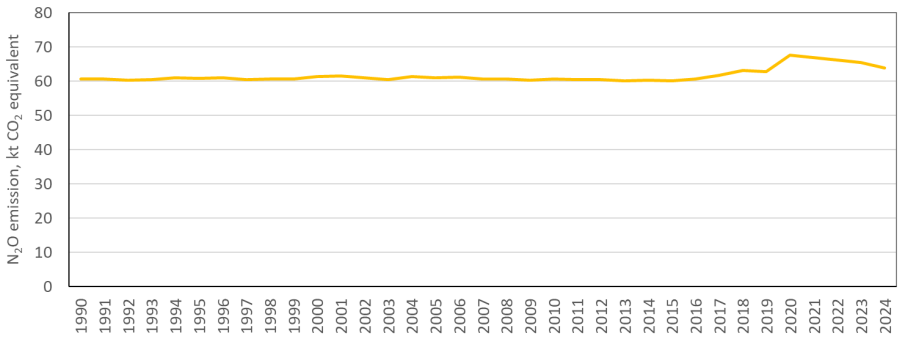


Figure 12.20 N_2O emissions (tonnes CO_2 eqv.) from Agricultural soils, 1990-2024.

All N applied to the agricultural soil will leads to emission of N_2O. The N_2O emission from cultivation of agricultural soils is divided into two groups, direct and indirect emission. The direct emissions include sources which are related directly to nitrogen applied on soil as fertilized during inorganic fertilizer or animal manure applied or during grassing, this also includes N from N-turnover from crop residues. The indirect emission includes N_2O emission from the emission sources where a volatilization of NH_3 and NO_2 take place (atmospheric deposition). Furthermore, a N_2O emission also occurs from leaching of N to the groundwater, water streams and the sea.

12.5.7 Direct N_2O emissions

Inorganic fertilizers

Data on import of fertilizer, both straight and compound, to the Faroe Islands are used to calculate the N_2O emission from use of inorganic fertilizer. In earlier reports only NPK ("19-3-13" i.e., with 19 % N) and 'other nitrogenous fertilizers' have been included in the calculation. In this year's report all imported fertilizers have been included, and thus the amount of N in inorganic fertilizers is higher than in previous reporting. See Table 12.15 and figure 12.21. The data on import of fertilizers needs further quality control will be further revised before next year's reporting.

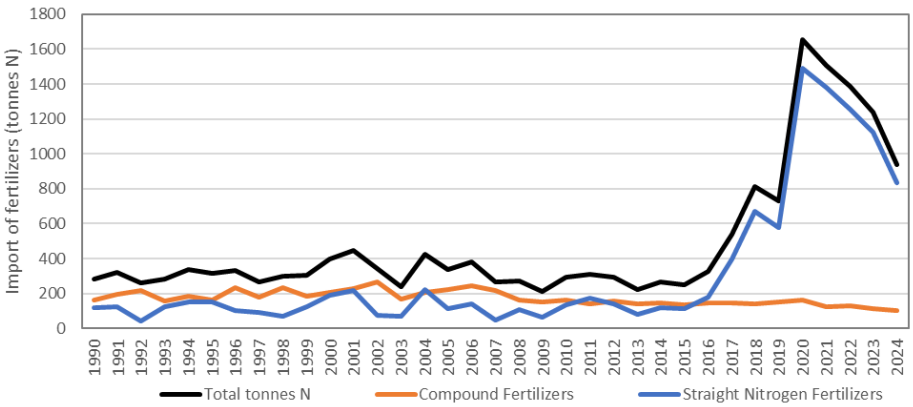


Figure 12.21 Import of fertilizers to Faroe Islands and their calculated N-content, in tonnes of N, 1990-2024.

The N_2O emission factor 0.01 kg N_2O-N/kg N applied is the default value from the IPCC 2006 Table 11.1.

Table 12.15 Import of Straight nitrogen fertilizers and Compound fertilizers to the Faroe Islands, in kt and in tonnes of nitrogen,1990-2024.

		1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
Straight N Fertilizers	Kt	454	475	103	518	642	636	370	271	239	425	648	607
Compound Fertilizers	Kt	1097	1305	1462	1057	1227	1089	1549	1190	1539	1222	1373	1517
Straight N Fertilizers	ton N	117	122	43	124	152	150	101	89	68	123	189	218
Compound Fertilizers	ton N	165	196	219	159	184	163	232	179	231	183	206	228
Total	ton N	281	318	263	283	336	313	334	267	299	306	395	446

(Cont.)		2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Straight N Fertilizers	Kt	148	171	623	298	364	96	241	144	329	415	265	151
Compound Fertilizers	Kt	1788	1122	1363	1478	1612	1439	1059	968	1051	910	1018	925
Straight N Fertilizers	ton N	72	69	221	115	141	48	106	61	132	171	139	81
Compound Fertilizers	ton N	268	168	204	222	242	216	162	149	160	139	155	141
Total	ton N	340	237	425	337	383	264	269	210	292	310	294	222

(Cont.)		2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Straight N Fertilizers	Kt	217	222	373	973	2.168	1.892	4.074	3.654	3.156	2.702	2.239
Compound Fertilizers	Kt	968	890	961	947	919	1016	1069	831	870	748	683
Straight N Fertilizers	ton N	119	112	178	397	672	578	1491	1380	1255	1124	834
Compound Fertilizers	ton N	147	135	147	143	139	153	164	125	131	112	104
Total	ton N	266	247	325	540	811	731	1656	1504	1386	1237	938

The emissions of NH_3 and NO_2 are calculated because these values are part of the calculation of atmospheric deposition. These emission factors are based on EMEP Guidebook 3D 2019, Table 3.1, corresponding to 0.05 kg NH_3/kg N applied and 0.04 kg NO_2/kg N applied and converted to 0.04 kg NH_3-N/kg N applied and 0.01 kg NO_2-N/kg N applied.

Organic fertilizers

This source includes products used for fertilizes the soil, e.g., animal manure or other products with nitrogen content.

The amount of N applied in form of animal depends on the livestock category. The N applied to agricultural soils are N excreted minus the emission of NH_3, NO_2 and N_2O, which has taken place in housing and storage. The N_2O emission factor is 0.01 kg N_2O-N/kg N applied based on the IPCC default (IPCC 2006, Table 11.1). The allocation of manure management system (MMS) in the Faroe Islands is in Table 12.10. The emission factor for NH_3 is based on the EMEP GB 3B Table 3.2 and emission factor for NO_2 is based on EMEP GB 3B Table 3.3.

Sewage sludge applied to soils and other organic fertilizers applied to soils

In the Faroe Islands some farmers fertilize their soil with organic fertilizers. Three main types of organic fertilizers have been in use since 1990. Primarily manure, which is included in the calculation of N_2O from Manure management. Later and until around 2018 a smaller number of farmers applied salmon ensilage to the soil. Now and since the establishment of the biogas

plant several farmers apply biofertilizers to the soil. Sewage sludge is not used as fertilizers on the Faroe Islands.

The receipt of organic matter 2020-2024 to produce biofertilizers is in Table 12.16. Since manure is included in the calculation of N_2O from Manure management, manure is not included in other organic fertilizers applied to soil.

Input data is the amount of N applied to the soil. The N_2O emission factor is 0.01 kg N_2O-N/kg N applied based on the IPCC default (IPCC 2006, Table 11.1).

Table 12.16 Type and amount of organic matter delivered to the biogas plant in 2020-2024.

Type of organic matter	2020		2021		2022		2023		2024	
	m^3	%	m^3	%	m^3	%	m^3	%	m^3	%
Manure	18,170	85	25,163	64	19,820	65	18,479	63	21,671	66
Ensilage, salmon	3,165	15	13,724	35	8,074	26	8,227	28	9,758	30
Excrements from salmon hatchery	37	0,2	0	0	1,600	5	1833	6	867	3
Other	80	0,4	144	0,4	1,141	4	985	3	443	1
Total	21,452	100	39,031	100	30,635	100	29,550	100	32,770	100

The N-content in the biofertilizers, which is used to calculate the amount of N, is 5.2 kg/t.

The emission of NH_3 and NO_2 from applied organic fertilizer are estimated and included in "atmospheric deposition". The emission factor for NH_3 and NO_2 is based on default values from the EMEP Guidebook 2019 3D, Table 3.1.

Urine and dung deposited by grazing animals

The N_2O emission from grassing animals is estimated as the total N excreted multiply with the default N_2O emission factor, which is 0.02 kg N_2O-N/kg N excreted for cattle and 0.01 N_2O-N/kg N excreted for sheep (IPCC, Table 11.1).

The emission of NH_3 and NO_2 from grassing animal is included in emission source "Atmospheric deposition" (3.D.b.1). The NH_3 emission factor is default values from the EMEP guidebook 2019 3B, Table 3.2 and the NO_2 emission factor is based on EMEP GB 2019 3D, Table 3.1

Mineralization/immobilization associated with loss/gain of soil organic matter

The N_2O emission from the mineralization is considered as a relatively small emission source, because the Faroe Island has a limited cultivated area, only some potatoes and grassing fields. The emissions will be considered for next year's reporting.

Crop residues

The turnover from nitrogen in crop residues, from roots and leaf, will over time lead to a N_2O emission, and the emission depends on the N content in the crop residue. Due to Búnaðarstovan (BST) the total agricultural area is estimated to 97,800 hectares, mostly grassland and few potatoes, between 80 – 116 hectares (FAO Statistics). The calculation of N_2O emission from crop residues is based on the 2006 IPCC Guidelines methodology, where default values are given for the N content per dry matter, and the fraction of the dry matter content between the crop residue below and above ground (IPCC 2006,

Table 11.2). The yield for potato and grass in the Faroe Islands is in Table 12.17.

Table 12.17 Data for harvest (kg/ha), Dry matter fraction of harvest product (kg dry matter/kg harvest) and harvest (kg dry matter/ha).

		Above ground residue	
Total N in residue, mill. kg N	Harvest	Dry matter fraction of harvest product	Harvest
	kg/ha	*kg dm/kg harvest*	*kg dm/ha*
Potato	30,000	0.20	8,000
Perennial grasses	22,000	0.22	4,840

Potatoes

With a dry matter (dm) content of 0.20 kg dm/kg harvest, the kg dm content is estimated to approximately 8.000 kg dm/hectare. Calculation by the IPPC methodology and values, this leads to an N content by 40 kg N per hectare potato.

Perennial grasses

For grassland is assumed a yield by 4.840 kg dm per hectare. Calculation by the IPPC methodology and values, this leads to a N content by 82 kg N per hectare grassland.

The default N_2O emission factor at 0.01 kg N_2O-N per kg N in crop residues is used, based on IPCC default (IPCC, Table 11.1).

Table 12.18 The agricultural area, 1990, 1995, 2000, 2005, 2010, 2015-2020.

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Agricultural area. cropland + grassland	98,345	98,225	98,121	98,053	97,916	97,831	97,816	97,811	97,811	97,810	97,810
Potatoes, ha	106	109	107	102	100	97	89	85	82	80	80
Grassland, ha	98,239	98,116	98,014	97,951	97,816	97,734	97,727	97,726	97,729	97,730	97,730

Reference: Total agricultural area and potato and grass: Búnaðarstovan.

12.5.8 Indirect N_2O emissions

Atmospheric deposition

Volatilization of NH_3 and NO_2 and the deposition of these gases and products onto soils and the surface of lakes and other water bodies cause N_2O emission. Emission of N_2O is calculated based on all:

- NH_3 emission sources; manure applied to soil, inorganic N fertilizer, and other organic matter used as fertilizer and grazing animals.
- NO_2 emission sources; manure applied to soil, inorganic N fertilizer, and other organic matter fertilizer.

The N_2O emission factor, 0.01 kg N_2O-N per kg NH_3 and NO_2 volatilized is based on the IPPC default (IPCC 2006, Table 11.3). See table 12.18.

Table 12.19 Calculation of N_2O emission from atmospheric deposition, 1990, 1995, 2000, 2010, 2015, 2020-2024.

Kg N volatilised as NH_3-N and NO_2-N	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Inorganic N fertilizers	14,993	16,709	21,068	17,968	15,580	13,166	88,328	80,247	73,936	65,981	50,042
Animal manure applied to soils (application)	56,065	58,769	57,889	56,454	54,583	53,314	52,628	52,673	53,531	52,156	52,438
Urine and dung deposited by grazing animals	70,104	70,104	70,104	70,104	70,104	70,104	70,104	70,104	70,104	70,104	70,104
Sewage sludge applied to soils	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other organic fertilizers	0	0	0	0	0	0	0,5	4,9	3,2	3,6	3,8
Total kg N volatilised as NH_3-N and NO_2-N	141,162	145,581	149,060	144,526	140,266	136,584	211,060	203,028	197,574	188,244	172,587
N_2O EF, kg N_2O-N/kg NH_3–N + NO_X–N volatilised*	0,01	0,01	0,01	0,01	0,01	0,01	0,01	0,01	0,01	0,01	0,01
Emission, kt N_2O	0,002	0,002	0,002	0,002	0,002	0,002	0,003	0,003	0,003	0,003	0,003

Nitrogen leaching and run-off

The emission of N_2O from N-leaching and runoff is calculated based on the total amount of N applied to the agricultural soils, multiplied with the share N amount which expects to be lost to leaching and runoff, multiplied with the N_2O emission factor. The N applied is the sum of all sources contribute to N-application as shown in Table 12.20. The IPCC default for FRacLeach, which is 0.3 kg N/kg N applied is used (IPCC, Table 11.3). The IPCC default is also used regarding the N_2O emission factor, 0.0075 kg N_2O–N/kg N leaching/runoff (IPCC, Table 11.3).

Table 12.20 The calculation of N_2O emission from N-leaching and runoff, 2015-2024.

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
N applied from inorganic fertilizer	246,789	324,527	539,940	810,548	731,288	1,655,624	1,504,142	1,385,859	1,236,753	937,984
N applied from animal manure applied	1,807,478	1,805,832	1,807,193	1,806,168	1,803,059	1,802,937	1,803,517	1,811,218	1,799,050	1,801,521
N applied from sewage sludge	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
N applied from other organic fertilizer	0	0	0	0	0	7	63	42	46	49
N applied from animal on grass	1,481,146	1,481,146	1,481,146	1,481,146	1,481,146	1,481,146	1,481,146	1,481,146	1,481,146	1,481,146
N applied from crop residue	8,035,953	8,034,438	8,034,070	8,034,074	8,034,092	8,034,067	8,034,067	8,034,067	8,034,067	8,034,109
N applied from mineralization	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
N applied total	11,571,367	11,645,944	11,862,350	12,131,937	12,049,584	12,973,781	12,822,934	1,271,233	12,55,106	12,254,809
FracLeach, kg N/ kg N applied (IPCC default)	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3
N-leached and run-off	3,471,410	3,493,783	3,558,705	3,639,581	3,614,875	3,892,134	3,846,880	3,813,699	3,765,318	3,676,443
kg N_2O–N/kg N leaching/runoff (IPCC default)	0,0075	0,0075	0,0075	0,0075	0,0075	0,0075	0,0075	0,0075	0,0075	0,0075
Emission, kt N_2O	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.046	0.045	0.045	0.044	0.043

12.5.9 Uncertainty

The uncertainties have not been calculated.

12.5.10 Recalculations and improvements

See 12.9 Recalculations and improvements

12.5.11 References

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12.6 Land Use, Land-Use Change and Forestry (CRT Sector 4)

The Faroe Islands are located in the Atlantic Ocean between Great Britain and Iceland with the Capitol, Tórshavn on 62.01°N and -6.87°E. The Faroe Islands consist of eighteen islands, in total 1394 km² (app. 36*36 km²). The islands are rocky where perennial grass is the dominating plant cover. The highest point, Slættaratindur, translated as "flat summit", is the highest mountain in the Faroe Islands, towering at 880 meters.

The climate is cold and wet with an annual average temperature of 7 °C (1991-2020). Due to its position in the Atlantic Ocean and the Gulf Stream there is only a small variation in the temperatures between winter and summer (DMI, 2021). The mean winter temperature is around 4 °C and the mean summer temperature is around 11 °C, Figure 12.22, which according to the IPCC 2006 Guidelines classification is "Cool Temperate Moist." The annual precipitation is high and around 1400 mm yr-1 with most rain in November to January.

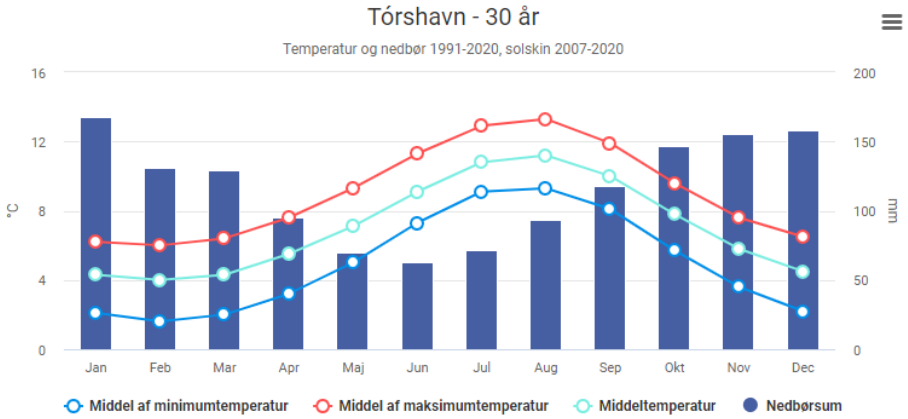


Figure 12.22 Average climate data for Tórshavn on the Faroe Islands, 1991-2020 (DMI, 2021, https://www.dmi.dk/vejrarkiv/normaler-faroerne/

Due to the rather cold climate and grazing sheep (see the agricultural sector, 3.A) perennial wooden plants seldom occur. Minor areas with primarily pine (*Pinus spp.*) can be found in plantations/parks, which often also are protected areas. To facilitate and protect wooden crops/afforestation, the Faroe Islands implemented protection of some areas with fencing and include these in the legislation (in Faroese, "Skógfriðing."). The mild climate facilitate year around grazing in the outfield. At the same time, the sheep are excluded from designated high value grassland areas (innmark, bøur). During the spring period and while the sheep give birth to lambs, the sheep are allowed to graze in these more fertile areas, which cover around 6 % of the total Grassland area. Grassland or "hagi" in Faroese, where sheep are roaming, is unfertilized and with medium to sparse grass vegetation where the rocky underground is approaching the surface, see Figure 12.24.

12.6.1 Land Use Matrix

The land use matrix is based on the best available data. The Faroe Islands has been grazed for the last 1000 years, and annual agricultural crops is limited due to the low temperatures. Therefore, the dominating land use is Grassland with only minor changes over time and mainly to Settlement such as houses and infrastructures. Over the past decades, more permanent grassland has been established to improve the grass quality, but although limited.

A new National Forest Definition has been defined for the purpose of the reporting to UNFCCC.

A GIS analysis was performed in 2021 (Umhvørvisstovan, 2021) to establish a classification of the six IPCC land use classes defined as per 31. December 2020. In 2016, topographic vector data was collected with an intended chart scale of 1:20 000. The topographic dataset was captured using mainly satellite images (Pleiades) and orthophotos. However, some national source data was included, e.g., roads and buildings. The data was coded according to the Multinational Geospatial Co-production Program Technical Reference Documentation 4.3, with some additions. When tasked to complete the land use matrix, the topographic dataset was considered to be the best available source.

In order to fit the classification of the land use matrix, some feature classes of the topographic dataset had to be grouped, e.g., for Wetlands and Other land, and all included land use features needed to be managed logically and geometrically. Buffers had to be created for points and line features and the new area geometry subtracted from the underlying and overlapping land use coverage. This procedure was performed using ESRI ArcGIS software.

Wetlands

Natural Pool Point Features were estimated to have a radius of 4 m. River Line Features and Ditch Line Features were given buffers according to the width encoded for each feature.

Other land

Road Line Features were given a buffer of 6 m. Road areas inside built-up areas (settlements) were not included in the area calculation of Other land.

As the Faroe Islands is not fully matriculated and roads are only lines on a map, GIS analyses were performed to achieve area estimates. The outcome per 31. December 2020 is shown in Table 12.21. Forest covers only 0.02 %, Wetland only 0.002% and Grassland 70 % of the area. Settlements 1.5 % and Other Land 27 %.

Table 12.21 Area estimates and changes in hectares for the six IPCC land use classes from 1. January 1990 to 31. December 2020.

1990\2020	Forest	Cropland	Grassland	Wetlands	Settlements	Other	Sum
Forest	28	0	0	0	0	0	28
Cropland	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Grassland	6	3	97,807	0	276	0	98,090
Wetlands	0	0	0	2,037	0	0	2,037
Settlements	0	0	0	0	1,722	0	1,722
Other	0	0	0	0	92	37,629	37,724
Sum	34.7	3	97,807	2,037	2,090	37,629	139,600
Percentage	0.02 %	0.002 %	70 %	1.5 %	1.5 %	27 %	100 %

The forest area has been estimated to 34.7 ha, Cropland to 3, Grassland to 97.807 ha, Wetlands to 2.037 ha, Settlement to 2.090 ha and Other land to 37.629 ha. The Faroe Islands is using a 20-year transition period in the UNFCCC reporting as recommended by IPCC (IPCC, 2006). To achieve this combined with a full reporting from 1990, a land use matrix has been extrapolated back to 1971 based on existing data. These are often based on expert judgment. However, for land converted to SE has a GIS analyse been performed including information on road constructions. Conversion of Grassland to Cropland is based on expert judgment. Afforestation is based on information from Umhvørvisstovan (Umhvørvisstovan, 2021).

12.6.2 Total emission from the LULUCF sector

The total emission from the LULUCF sector on the Faroe Islands has been estimated to 34.9 kt CO_2 eqv, see Table 12.22. The emission is primarily due to emissions from drained organic grassland. Forest land is a very minor sink on the Faroe Islands. Cropland consists of only a few hectares in 2021, and no emissions have been reported from here as well as from managed Wetlands. Settlements are reported as a minor source due to clearance of living biomass when housing and roads are reported.

Table 12.22 Total emissions from the LULUCF sector, kt CO_2 eqv.

	1990	2000	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
A. Forest land	-0.001	-0.001	-0.001	-0.001	-0.001	-0.001	-0.002	-0.001	-0.001
B. Cropland	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
C. Grassland	33.98	34.52	35.16	35.28	35.30	35.33	35.35	35.37	34.92
D. Wetlands	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
E. Settlements	0.05	0.05	0.09	0.05	0.05	0.001	0.001	0.001	0.001
F. Other land	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
G. Harvested wood products	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE
H. Other	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
4. Land use, land-use change and forestry	34.03	34.57	35.25	35.33	35.35	35.33	35.35	35.37	34.92

Forest land

The area with forest on the Faroe Islands is limited. For the purpose of reporting, the Faroe Islands has made the following forest definition.

1) All areas which are protected by a forest reserve declaration ("Skógfriðað")
2) Other not protected areas with forest/woody vegetation excluding minor areas inside
   a) Some areas within Settlements like "Sjómansskúlatrøðin", "Müllerstrød" and "Debesartrød"
   b) Areas which are part of nurseries ("Gróðurstøðin")
   c) Some private areas like "Viðarlundin í Sortudýki"

Per 31. December 2020, the total estimated afforested area was 34.7 ha. For estimating the actual carbon stock and due to the sparse vegetation, a Danish developed model for hedges is used where the carbon stock estimation is based on vegetation volume, which is converted to carbon. It is not assumed that forest growth takes place on organic soils. Area and emission from organic forest soils is hence reported as Not Occurring (NO) and with zero emission (NA). As default no changes is assumed to occur in the soil organic carbon pool (IPCC, 2006), both for Forest Land remaining Forest Land and in

land converted to Forest Land. Deforestation does not occur on the Faroe Islands. No dead wood can be found in the small areas with trees and is therefore reported as NO. The same for litter.

FL remaining FL and Land converted to FL

By the end of 2020, the total Forest area was estimated to 34.7 hectare. This is based on the GIS analysis made by Umhvørvisstovan in 2021. The area will be updated every fifth year. The total forest area consists of 76 individual forest parcels; each having been assigned a planting year with the earliest planting in 1914.



Figure 12.23 Successful afforestation near Tórshavn (left), partly successful afforestation near Tórshavn (middle) and on-going afforestation (and restoration) near the village Kirkjubøur. (*Photo: Steen Gyldenkærne, Aarhus University, Denmark*).

For the purpose of estimating the carbon stock, all parcels have been assigned with a plant cover and plant height in 1970, 1990, 2010 and 2021. Height at planting has as default been set to 0.5 meter. For the mentioned years, a linear interpolation of plant cover and plant height has been used to estimate the canopy volume. The canopy volume has been converted to biomass with a conversion factor of 2.538 kg dry matter biomass per m^3 canopy (Levin et al. 2020), a carbon content of 0.48 and a root:shoot-factor of 0.192 (IPCC, 2006). For conversion to CO_2 eqv., the recommended conversion factors for 100 years of 28 for CH_4 and 265 for N_2O (AR5) are used. Conversion of N_2O-N to N_2O is made with multiplying with the atomic weight, i.e. 44/28.

Table 12.23 Parameters used to estimate emission from LULUCF. No changes in mineral soils are expected.

	Aboveground kg dry matter m^{-3} biotope		Root:Shoot, fraction	C fraction	C loss organic soils, kg C ha^{-1} yr^{-1}	CH_4 emission organic soils, kg CH_4 ha^{-1} yr^{-1}	N_2O-N emission organic soils, kg N_2O-N ha^{-1} yr^{-1}
4.A. Forest land	2.538		0.192	0.48	NA	7	NA
	Dry matter stock, Aboveground biomass, kg DM ha^{-1}	Total dry matter stock, kg DM ha^{-1}	Root:Shoot, fraction	C-content, kg C kg^{-1} OM, fraction	C loss organic soils, kg C ha^{-1} yr^{-1}	CH_4 emission organic soils, kg CH_4 ha^{-1} yr^{-1} organic soils	N_2O-N emission organic soils, kg N_2O-N ha^{-1} yr^{-1}
4.B.1.1 Cropland, Annual crops	2,400	13,600	0.24	0.48	-3,600	1.4	1.6
4.C.1.1. Grassland, Intensive Managed	2,400	13,600	0.24	0.48	-3,600	1.4	1.6
4.C.1.2. Grassland, Slightly Managed	1,200	6,800	0.24	0.48	-1,800	0.7	0.8
4.C.1.3 Grassland, Unmanaged, where sheep roam	240	1360	0.24	0.48	0	0	0
4.D.1.1 Wetlands, Lakes and streams	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE
4.D.1.2 Wetlands, Bogs and swamps	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE
4.E. Settlement	600	3,400	0.24	0.48	NA	NA	NA
4.F. Other land	NO	NO	NO	NO	NA	NA	NA

When land use conversion is taking place the standing stock of living biomass on the afforested area is removed. In the case of the Faroe Islands, afforestation is only taking place on fertile grassland. Table 12.24 shows the estimated emission from Forestry on the Faroe Islands in 2020 in CO_2 eqv.

Table 12.24 Estimated Forest area and emissions from the forests. Emissions are positive (+) and sinks are negative (-).

Forest land	1990	2000	2010	2015	2018	2019	2020
Forest Land remaining Forest Land, ha	20.30	28.35	34.07	34.07	34.07	34.07	34.49
Emission, kt CO_2	-0.001	-0.001	-0.001	-0.001	-0.001	-0.001	-0.001
Land converted to Forest land, ha	13.78	6.14	0.42	0.42	0.58	0.58	0.16
Emission, kt CO_2	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	-0.001	0.000	0.000
Forest area, total, ha	34.07	34.49	34.49	34.49	34.66	34.66	34.66
Emissions, total, kt CO_2	-0.001	-0.001	-0.001	-0.001	-0.002	-0.001	-0.001

No N_2O and CH_4 emissions has been estimated from the unfertilized forestland.

Cropland

The climate on the Faroe Islands is not suitable for annual crops. Only three hectares are reported with annual crops, primarily potatoes. It is assumed that all three hectares are grown on mineral soils.

No emission is assumed in living biomass except during Land use conversion. Default parameters for living biomass in the six different land use classes are shown in Table 12.23.

CL remaining CL and Land converted to CL

The total area CL remaining CL has in 1990 been estimated to 0 ha and increased to 3 ha in 2020. No changes in the carbon stock are assumed in living biomass and in mineral soils. The default C stock on Cropland is assumed the same as for Grassland (IPCC, 2006). Despite the three hectares first were reported in 2006 all Cropland is reported under Cropland remaining Cropland.

In 1986, a thoroughly soil sampling was made on improved grassland on the Faroe Islands on all islands. In total, 296 soil samples, Table 12.25 (https://www.bst.fo/Default.aspx?Id=14337). Soil sampling depth was approximately 20 cm (Jens Ivan í Gerðinum, BST, personal communication).

Table 12.25 Result of soil sampling on the most fertile grassland in 1986 (Data from Búnaðarstovan, 2021).

	No of Samples	% distribution	Average % OM	Average bulk density, g/cm^3
>= 20 % OM	193	65 %	27.9	0.5
<20 % OM	103	35 %	14.1	0.7
Total	296	100 %	22.9	0.59

Organic soils are identified based on criteria 1 and 2, or 1 and 3 listed below (FAO 1998):

1. Thickness of organic horizon greater than or equal to 10 cm. A horizon of less than 20 cm must have 12 percent or more organic carbon when mixed to a depth of 20 cm.

2. Soils that are never saturated with water for more than a few days must contain more than 20 percent organic carbon by weight (i.e., about 35 percent organic matter).
3. Soils are subject to water saturation episodes and has either:
   a. At least 12 percent organic carbon by weight (i.e., about 20 percent organic matter) if the soil has no clay; or
   b. At least 18 percent organic carbon by weight (i.e., about 30 percent organic matter) if the soil has 60% or more clay; or
   c. An intermediate, proportional amount of organic carbon for intermediate amounts of clay.

All other types of soils are classified as mineral. As can be seen from Table 12.22, 65 % out of 296 soil samples have 20 % Organic Matter (OM) or higher which qualify them as organic soils according to IPCC (2006). The soils are quite acidic with an average pH of 4.9 (Búnaðarstovan, 2021). For the three hectares with Cropland, it is assumed that they all are on mineral soils.

Although that the good part of the Cropland may contain some organic matter it is difficult to classify these as organic in terms of the IPCC guidelines (IPCC, 2006; IPCC, 2014) as many of them do not fulfil the FAO soil classification as having a depth of > 30 cm. Furthermore, the established emission factors in the IPCC 2013 Wetland Supplement (IPCC, 2014) seems not to be comprehensive for the Faroe conditions.

Grassland and Land converted to Grassland

Grassland on the Faroe Islands is divided into three categories. Intensively managed grassland, slightly managed grassland, and unmanaged grassland where sheep is roaming. Intensive managed Grassland has been estimated to around 1,000 hectares, slightly managed to 6,000 hectares and grassland where sheep is roaming to about 90,000 ha, see Table 12.23. The marginal roaming grassland is called "hagi." The sheep may also roam on Other Land. In total, 97,807 ha is classified as Grassland in 2020.

Animal manure and fertilization may take place on both intensively and slightly managed Grassland. The difference between intensive managed Grassland and slightly managed is that on the intensive managed Grassland, stone has been removed and new seeding of grass has been made. This occurs maybe with an interval of 30-50 years and is subsidized. The slightly managed grassland has not been tilled and only slightly ditched (see Figure 12.24). For reporting purposes, an emission factor of 50 % of the intensively managed soils has been elected.



Figure 12.24 Grassland turned into Intensive Managed Grassland (left), Ditch drained Grassland (middle), slightly managed Grassland (right) on the Faroe Islands (*Photo: Steen Gyldenkærne, Aarhus University, Denmark*).

For Grassland it is assumed that 65 % is on organic soils and 35 % on mineral soils based on the soil sampling made in 1986, Table 12.22.

The Unmanaged marginal Grassland is rocky and with a shallow soil layer. Very little data on the soils are available.

For Intensive managed organic grassland soils is assumed an annual emission of 3.6 tonnes C ha^{-1} yr^{-1}, a CH_4 emission of 1.4 kg CH_4 ha^{-1} yr^{-1} and a N_2O emission of 1.6 kg N_2O-N ha^{-1} yr^{-1} (IPCC, 2014). Slightly managed Grassland is assumed to have an emission of 50 % of the intensive managed Grassland. No CH_4 emission is assumed. It is assumed that none of the marginal grassland qualifies as being organic. In the reporting is thus all Unmanaged Grassland reported as mineral with no changes in the amount of living biomass and soil carbon stock.

As the Faroe Islands are hilly, no Cropland and Grassland areas occur with stagnant water. Thus, the likelihood for CH_4 emission from ditches is not likely and hence no CH_4 emission from ditches is reported. No estimates have been made for dissolved organic matter (DOC). This is therefore reported as NE.

Table 12.26 shows the estimated area and emissions from all Grassland on the Faroe Islands. In 2020, it is estimated that 4,648 hectares of organic soils may emit greenhouse gases. The total emission has been estimated to 36.9 kt CO_2 eqv. of which 0.007 kt N_2O (2.0 kt CO_2 eqv.) is reported in the agricultural sector in Table 3.D under 3.D.a.6.

Table 12.26 Area with Grassland and estimated emissions.

	1990	2000	2010	2015	2018	2019	2020
Grassland Land, total, ha	98,075	97,965	97,854	97,814	97,808	97,807	97,807
Grassland, Managed, ha	744	870	1,022	1,049	1,066	1,071	965
Grassland, Unmanaged, ha	6,409	6,283	6,129	6,101	6,085	6,079	6,185
Grassland Land, mineral soils, ha	93,426	93,315	93,206	93,166	93,160	93,160	93,159
Grassland Land, organic soils, ha	4,650	4,650	4,648	4,648	4,648	4,648	4,648
Emission, kt CO_2-C	9.240	9.387	9.561	9.593	9.612	9.619	9.495
Emission, kt CH_4	0.004	0.004	0.004	0.004	0.004	0.004	0.004
Emission, kt N_2O (reported under Agriculture)	0.006	0.007	0.007	0.007	0.007	0.007	0.007
Emission, kt CO_2 eqv.	34,030	34,570	35,250	35,330	35,350	35,370	34,920

Wetlands

Based on the most recent GIS analysis performed by Umhvørvisstovan in 2021, Wetlands on the Faroe Islands consist of 1749 ha flooded land (inland lakes and streams) and 287 ha partly flooded land such as swamps. In total 2037 ha. The occurring wetlands are reported as unmanaged although some of the flooded land is water reservoirs for drinking water. No peat extraction is taking place and reported area with swamp.

No changes in the area with wetlands is reported and no emissions are reported from WE.

Settlements and Land converted to Settlements

Settlement consists of built-up areas, roads, and quarries. A GIS analysis performed in 2021 has estimated the area with built-up areas to 1,823 hectare and roads and quarries to 267 hectares.

In 1990, the area with Settlement was estimated to 1,733 hectares increasing to 2,090 hectares in 2020. New dwellings are mainly taking place on former Grassland whereas road construction takes place both on Grassland and

Other Land. It is assumed that 75 % of new SE is conversion of Grassland to SE and the remaining area is from Other land.

The GIS analysis performed in 2021 has also analysed road constructions and in this work the many tunnel constructions has been excluded from the land use change.

For Other Land converted to SE, no changes in the carbon stock in all reported carbon pools are assumed. For Grassland converted to SE, a conversion from slightly managed Grassland to SE having a default of 50 % in living biomass of slightly managed Grassland is assumed. No changes in soil carbon stock are assumed, mainly due to the likely very thin layer of soil above the rock, combined with the cold and wet climate, which reduce the turnover of organic matter. It is thus assumed that the recommendation of an 80 % value of the original carbon stock in Grassland in paved areas (IPCC, 2006, Chapter 8, Settlements, page 8.24) is not applicable for Faroese conditions.

Other Land

The GIS analyse has estimated the total Other Land area to 37,629 hectares. From 1990 to 2020, the area has decreased due to road constructions and new dwellings. By definition, Other Land do not have any carbon stock.

12.6.3 Uncertainty

Estimations of the uncertainties for emission calculations in the LULUCF have not been done.

12.6.4 Recalculations

See 12.9 Recalculations and improvements.

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12.7 Waste Sector (CRT Sector 5)

12.7.1 Overview of the Waste sector

The emissions in the waste sector are from solid waste disposal, biological treatment of solid waste and wastewater treatment and discharge. Emission from Waste incineration have been allocated to the energy sector in accordance with the IPCC Guidelines.

Of the total emissions in 2024, 1% are from waste.

Figure 12.25 shows the greenhouse gas emissions from Waste and relevant subcategories in the Faroe Islands in the period 1990-2024.

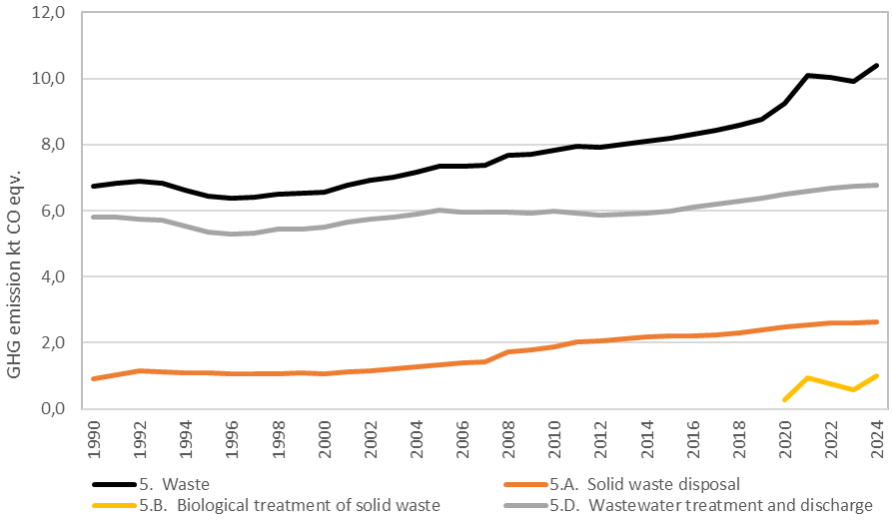


Figure 12.25 GHG emission from Waste, with subgroups, 1990-2024, kt CO_2 eqv.

12.7.2 Solid Waste Disposal (CRT Source Category 5A)

For several decades several land-based solid waste disposals facilities have been located on the Faroe Islands. All are categorized as 5.A.1 Managed waste disposal sites. Now there is only one active solid waste disposal site.

In estimating emissions, the first order decay model included in the 2006 IPCC Guidelines has been used. The activity data (amounts and types of waste) are based on data and expert judgement from the Faroe Islands. For DOC, DOCf, MCF and T½, the default values from the 2006 IPCC Guidelines are used. Climate is considered as wet and temperate. Most of the landfilled waste are inert materials, as combustible waste generally is incinerated and in prior times discarded directly into the sea. In 2024, the composition of the landfilled waste is assumed to be 81 % inert materials, 9 % sludge and 10 % garden waste.

12.7.3 Biological treatment of solid waste (CRT Source Category 5B)

GHG emissions in this sector covers CH_4 emissions from anaerobic digestion at biogas plants (5.B.2). Composting (5.B.1) in the Faroes is primarily a small-scale activity in relatively few private households only, meaning it is limited to an activity where citizens can choose to have their own compost in the garden, often in a ready-to-use plastic tank, or a simple self-build arrangement. An exception though, is Vágs municipality where citizens, from March 2020, in a pilot test, began to collect organic waste to a central compost plant. In total, 38 households participated. This activity stopped in September 2021.Therefore, not included in the inventory.

The only biogas facility on the Faroe Island, FORKA, opened in 2020. The plant is primarily receiving organic waste from the aquaculture industry and manure from agriculture, see table12.27. Emissions from storage of manure are included in the agricultural sector.

The methodologies used are the IPCC tier 1 methodologies. The Emission factor used is SC. The activity data for anaerobic digestion is the energy production on the biogas facility. The methane emissions are calculated by multiplying the production with an emission factor for CH_4 leakage from the plant.

No measurement programme has been conducted for leakage from the plant in the Faroe Islands. The owner of the plant estimates the CH_4 emissions to be comparable to leakage rates for similar biogas plants in Denmark, where there have been conducted numerous measurements. In 2024-2025, a measurement programme (Scheutz et al. 2025) was carried out as a follow-up to regulatory measures. The study ensured representative coverage across plant types, sizes and use of the produced gas. The study covers 57 of 92 Danish farm plants and 2 of 7 Danish industrial biogas facilities, representing approximately 60% of plants and about 73% of total biogas production in Denmark. The results showed that industrial plants had an 2.5 % emission factor, and therefore this value is used as emission factor for the biogas plant in Faroe Islands.

Table 12.27 Activity data and emissions from anaerobic digestion of organic waste.

	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Gasproduktion (TJ)	18.7	67.8	55.0	41.1	70.7
Heating value (GJ/tonne)	50	50	50	50	50
Production, t	373	1,356	1,100	821	1,413
Emission factor (%)	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
CH_4 emission, t	9.3	33.9	27.5	20.5	35.3
CH_4 emission, kt CO_2 eqv.	0.26	0.95	0.77	0.57	0.99

12.7.4 Incineration and open burning of waste (CRT Source Category 5C)

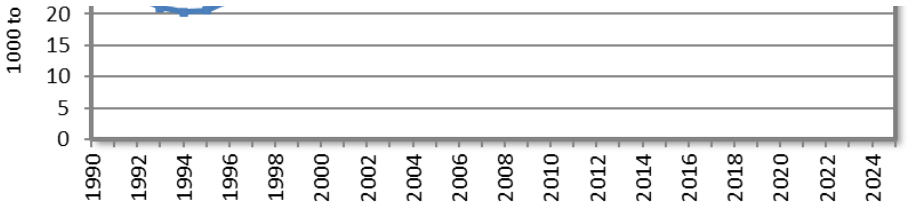


Figure 12.26 shows the amounts of waste incinerated on the Faroe Islands 1990-2024. For the last three years the yearly amount of waste has been around 40.000 tonnes.

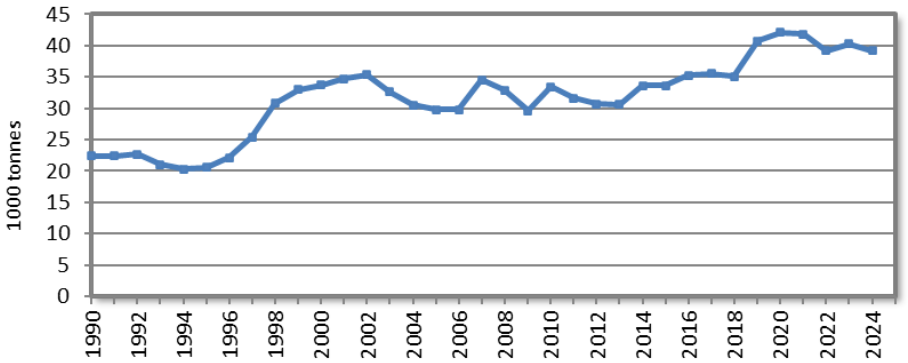


Figure 12.26 Incineration of municipal waste on the Faroe Islands, 1990-2024.

Open burning of waste is prohibited and is not occurring in the Faroes.

12.7.5 Wastewater treatment and discharge (CRT Source Category 5D)

In the Faroe Islands, most households have a septic tank through which domestic wastewater (sewage) flows for basic mechanical treatment. Industrial wastewater, e.g., from the fishing industry, is treated mechanically (oil/fat separation).

For CH_4 emissions from domestic wastewater, the TOW is estimated based on the population and the default value for BOD of 62 gram per person per day, the default value for additional industrial BOD discharged to sewers (1.25) and the B0 default value (0.6 kg CH_4 per kg BOD). MCF values are the IPCC default values. The pathways for the wastewater are based on expert judgement (Mortensen, R, 2025) and are under review. In this submission, it is assumed that 50 % of the wastewater is treated aerobically in plants, 40 % of the wastewater is treated in septic systems and the remaining 10 % is discharged directly into the sea. There are no anaerobic wastewater treatment systems in the Faroe Islands.

For industrial wastewater, only a few industries have separate wastewater treatment, especially the fishing industry. All treatment is done in aerobic plants and since the default MCF value is zero, there is no emissions reported from industrial wastewater treatment.

The N_2O emission is estimated both for the effluents and for the plants. As mentioned above, it is assumed that 50 % of the wastewater is treated in modern plants. The default EF of 3.2 g N_2O per person is used. For the N_2O from effluents, the emission is calculated based on the population, protein consumption data for Denmark and default values for fraction of nitrogen in protein, factor for non-consumed protein added to the wastewater and factor for

industrial and commercial co-discharged protein into the sewer system. The EF is also the IPCC default of 0.005 kg N_2O-N per kg N.

12.7.6 Waste other (CRT Source Category 5E)

There are no activities and emissions in the category Waste Other.

12.7.7 Uncertainty

Estimations of the uncertainties for emission calculations in the Waste sector have not been done.

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12.7.9 Recalculations

In this year's reporting, 5.B.2 Anaerobic digestion at biogas plant is added to the inventory as a new subcategory.

Since the establishment of a new central site for disposal of solid waste (in Kvívík) in 2023, where to approximately all the sewage sludge from all islands is collected and dried, it has been possible to get better data on the mass of deposited sludge. In 2023 and 2024 the amount of sewage sludge disposed was 1,024 and 986 tonnes, respectively. The calculations of amount of sewage sludge used in the 'IPCC waste Model' for 1990-2022 has so far been based upon a calculation based on multiplying the population size with a 63 kg dw sewage per person per year. Due to use of wrong value, these calculations are not correct. Therefore, from this year reporting, the amount of sludge and thus also the methane emissions have been recalculated for the years 1990-2023. The amount of sewage sludge is now calculated by using the value 19 kg dw per person per year, which is a rounded average value found by dividing the amount deposited with the population size. This value matches similar standard values in other Nordic countries, i.e. Iceland 15-20 kg dw/person/year. This means the inventory from this year's reporting is more accurate on methane emission from solid waste disposal sites.

The emission is 30 to 40 % lower for the years 1997-2023.in this year's reporting than in previous reporting, see table 12.28.

Table 12.28 Changes in amount of sewage sludge and methane emissions before and after recalculation.

Year	Amount of sewage sludge (Gg) Previous calculation	Amount of sewage sludge (Gg) Recalculated	Difference (Gg)	Amount of sewage sludge (Gg) Measured	CH4 emission (Gg) Previous calculation	CH4 emission (Gg) Recalculation	Difference (Gg)
1990	3,01	0,91	2,10		0,03	0,03	0,00
1991	2,98	0,90	2,08		0,04	0,04	0,00
1992	2,97	0,90	2,08		0,04	0,04	0,00
1993	2,94	0,89	2,06		0,04	0,04	0,00
1994	2,85	0,86	1,99		0,05	0,04	-0,01
1995	2,75	0,83	1,92		0,05	0,04	-0,01
1996	2,73	0,82	1,91		0,05	0,04	-0,01
1997	2,76	0,83	1,92		0,05	0,04	-0,02
1998	2,79	0,84	1,95		0,06	0,04	-0,02
1999	2,82	0,85	1,97		0,06	0,04	-0,02
2000	2,86	0,86	2,00		0,06	0,04	-0,02
2001	2,91	0,88	2,03		0,06	0,04	-0,02
2002	2,96	0,89	2,07		0,07	0,04	-0,02
2003	3,00	0,91	2,10		0,07	0,04	-0,03
2004	3,03	0,91	2,12		0,07	0,05	-0,03
2005	3,04	0,92	2,13		0,08	0,05	-0,03
2006	3,03	0,91	2,12		0,08	0,05	-0,03
2007	3,04	0,92	2,12		0,08	0,05	-0,03
2008	3,04	0,92	2,13		0,10	0,06	-0,03
2009	3,06	0,92	2,14		0,10	0,06	-0,04
2010	3,05	0,92	2,13		0,10	0,07	-0,04
2011	3,05	0,92	2,13		0,11	0,07	-0,04
2012	3,04	0,92	2,12		0,11	0,07	-0,04
2013	3,03	0,91	2,11		0,12	0,08	-0,04
2014	3,03	0,91	2,12		0,12	0,08	-0,04
2015	3,06	0,92	2,14		0,12	0,08	-0,04
2016	3,09	0,93	2,16		0,12	0,08	-0,04
2017	3,14	0,95	2,19		0,13	0,08	-0,05
2018	3,18	0,96	2,22		0,13	0,08	-0,05
2019	3,23	0,97	2,26		0,13	0,09	-0,05
2020	3,28	0,99	2,29		0,14	0,09	-0,05
2021	3,33	1,00	2,32		0,14	0,09	-0,05
2022	3,37	1,02	2,35		0,14	0,09	-0,05
2023	3,40	1,03	2,38	1,024	0,14	0,09	-0,05
2024				0,986			

12.8 Other (CRT sector 6)

There are no activities, emissions or removals for the Other category in the inventory of the Faroe Islands.

12.9 Recalculations and improvements

Some of the recalculations in the 2026 submission for the Faroe Islands are due to changes in emissions factors and other due to changes in activity data. The changes in emission factors are the same as in the inventory for Denmark and thus explained in other relevant parts of this report. Some errors are corrected. Recalculation of emission of f-gases have had impact on the emission level for 2022 and 2023. Though, in general, the recalculations led to only small

and rather insignificant changes in the emissions. Also, some minor corrections have been made, with no substantial effect on the emissions trends or levels.

12.9.1 Explanations and justifications for recalculations

The following recalculations and improvements to the emission inventory have been made since the reporting in 2025.

Energy

Public electricity and heat production

No changes in the emission factors or AD.

Manufacturing industries and construction

No changes in the emission factors or AD.

Domestic aviation

Emission factors for N_2O and CH_4 are updated for the years 2002 and 2004. For both gases, the emission factors are changed less than 0.001% relative to previous reporting.

Road transportation

Since last year's submission, there are quite significant changes in road traffic emissions, partly due to changes in emission factors, because the underlying emission data in the joint European emissions model COPERT has been updated, and partly due to introduction of some error in DCE's emissions model for the Faroe Islands last year. These are now corrected.

Navigation

The emission factors for diesel CH_4 and N_2O have been updated for the period 1990-2023. The changes were less than 0,001 %.

The emission factors for heavy fuel CH_4 and N_2O have been updated for the period 1990-2023. The EF for CH_4 is around 4% lower. The EF for N_2O is less than 0,001 % higher.

The emission factor for diesel CO_2 have changed from 74,0 to 74,1 kg/GJ.

Commercial/Institutional

No changes in the emission factors or AD.

Residential

No changes in the emission factors or AD.

Fishing

The emission factor for diesel CO_2 have changed from 74,0 to 74,1 kg/GJ.

International bunkers

The emission factors for heavy fuel CH_4 and N_2O have been updated for the period 1990-2023. The EF for CH_4 is around 4% lower. The EF for N_2O is less than 0,001 % higher.

No changes in the emission factors for diesel.

International aviation

See Domestic aviation.

Industrial processes and product use

The f- gas emission inventory, i.e. the emission of HFCs and SF_6, was updated in 2024 by PROVICE, a consultation company lead by Tomas Sander Poulsen. The update resulted in significant changes, see table 12.29. The changes were especially in the emissions of HFC-507 from fishing vessels in the years 2020-2023. The total containment of HFC-507 is reduced so it better reflects the reel situation. The FEA has recently requested the Faroe Marine Authority to notify when fishing vessels with HFC refrigeration systems are exported out of the Faroes. Only then the stock can be gradually adjusted year by year.

The main reason for differences between last year's emission of f-gases and this year, are:

- Different emission factors in historical data introduced
- Formulas handling shifts in emissions from historical stock adjusted
- Consumption partially allocated to foreign sales/exports based on ship survey
- Accelerated decommissioning for marine cooling systems
- Heat pumps introduced

Developments:
- Added 2.F.1.d (transport cooling) for HFC-407f with GWP 1825
- Added 2.F.1.f for heat pumps for HFC-32 with GWP 675
- Added heat pump statistics
- Ship stock adjusted according to survey

Corrections:
- HFC-402 phased out in 2003 – stock set to 0 after 15 years (2017)
- Corrections for various HFC categories (134a, 404a, 407c, 507a)
- SF6 corrected to 100% recovery and lower filling emissions from 2023

Table 12.29 Changes in emissions (t CO_2 eqv.) from Electrical equipment and Refrigeration after recalculation.

	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Electrical equipment	11	11	11	11	11	12	12	2	2	2	3	3	13	10	8	8
Refrigeration	0	0	0	0	3	2	4	-784	-705	-649	-624	-607	-466	-360	-309	-262

(Cont.)	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Electrical equipment	10	15	11	10	2	-7	20	-28	-40	-17	-18	-2	-8	-50	-60	-103
Refrigeration	-238	-73	-314	-993	-126	-839	585	-905	-672	-9205	-9250	-8869	-11182	-11051	-18009	-22666

LULUCF

The area for cropland was changed for the data to be more in line with FAO statistic. The areas for 2016-2022 was increased with 14-21 ha. In general, the FAO data for cropland in the Faroe Islands is too high and must be reviewed.

Data in 4(II) Grassland remaining Grassland > Total organic soils > Drained organic soils has been updated.

Agriculture

AD for number of cows in 2023 lowered 14 % (292 animals). The number of dairy cows increased with 32 units.

Waste
Heating Values (GJ/t) for the years 2018-2023 changed from 10,6 to respectively 10.82, 11.04, 11.26, 11.48, 11.7 and 11.7 GJ/t. EF for CO_2 EMF – fossil (kg/GJ) changed from 42,5 to 43,8 and 45,1 for the years 2022 and 2023.

12.9.2 Implications for emission levels

Most of the recalculations have only had small implication for the emissions levels. The exemption is the updated f-gas emissions. As seen in table 12.29 the emission for 2020-2023 have reduced with 11,182, 11,051, 18,009 and 22,666 tonnes of CO_2 eqv. Which again corresponds with respectively 0.8, 0.8, 1.5 and 1,9 % reductions of the total emissions for the Faroe Islands. Thus, the recalculations of f-gases have had high implications for emissions levels, especially for 2022 and 2023.

12.9.3 Implications for emission trends, including time series consistency

No significant changes.

12.9.4 Improvements

Improvements planned to be implemented in next year's submission:

- In the 2014 delivery, the recalculation made for fishing vessels, for certain reasons could only be done for the time-series 2001-2012. Therefore, the time series for fishing vessels, 2001-2019, is inconsistent with the time series 1990-2000. Oil sold to foreign fishing vessels for 1990-2000 will be estimated, and the activity data will be corrected correspondently.
- For agriculture data: emissions from horses and lamb will be included.
- Correct the area for potatoes (due to error in FAO database)
- 'Mineralization' included, see 12.5.7.
- An uncertainty assessment using IPCC approach 1 will be included.
- Key categories will be described further and discussed on lower aggregation levels.
- In the 2022 submission, the reference approach was reported for the first time. Further improvements need to be made as it relates to incorporation of data on international bunkers and to investigate the differences between the sectoral and reference approaches.

12.10 Annexes

All emissions factors used in the inventory are in this Annex.

12.10.1 Annex 1.a. Emissions factors – Stationary combustion

The emissions factors used for calculating the Faroese emission of GHG in following stationary combustion categories are found in Table 12.30:

- 1A1a Public electricity and heat production
- 1A2 Manufacturing industry and construction
- 1A4a Commercial/Institutional
- 1A4b Residential

Table 12.30 Emission factors for Stationary combustion, 1990-2024.

Category	Fuel	Pollutant	1990-2006	2007-2024
Public electricity and heat production	Gas/diesel oil	CH_4 (g/GJ)	0.9	0.9
		CO_2 (kg/GJ)	74.1	74.1
		N_2O (g/GJ)	0.4	0.4
	Heavy fuel oil	CH_4 (g/GJ)	0.8	0.8
		CO_2 (kg/GJ)	78.7	78.6-79.4
		N_2O (g/GJ)	0.3	0.3
Manufacturing industries and construction	Gas/diesel oil	CH_4 (g/GJ)	0.2	0.2
		CO_2 (kg/GJ)	74.1	74.1
		N_2O (g/GJ)	0.4	0.4
	Heavy fuel oil	CH_4 (g/GJ)	1.3	1.3
		CO_2 (kg/GJ)	78.7	78.6
		N_2O (g/GJ)	5	5
	Kerosene	CH_4 (g/GJ)	3	3
		CO_2 (kg/GJ)	71.9	71.9
		N_2O (g/GJ)	0.6	0.6
Commercial/Institutional	Gas/diesel oil	CH_4 (g/GJ)	0.7	0.7
		CO_2 (kg/GJ)	74.1	74.1
		N_2O (g/GJ)	0.4	0.4
	Kerosene	CH_4 (g/GJ)	10	10
		CO_2 (kg/GJ)	71.9	71.9
		N_2O (g/GJ)	0.6	0.6
Residential	Gas/diesel oil	CH_4 (g/GJ)	0.7	0.7
		CO_2 (kg/GJ)	74.1	74.1
		N_2O (g/GJ)	0.6	0.6
	Kerosene	CH_4 (g/GJ)	10	10
		CO_2 (kg/GJ)	71.9	71.9
		N_2O (g/GJ)	0.6	0.6

The emissions factors for calculating the Faroese emissions from the waste sector are found in Table 12.31.

Table 12.31 Emission factors for Waste incineration, 1990-2024.

Year	Fossil Waste	CO_2 EMF-fossil	CO_2 EMF-biogen	CH_4 EMF-total	N_2O EMF-total
	%	*kg/GJ*	*kg/GJ*	*g/GJ*	*g/GJ*
1990	32.2	37	86.7	0.59	1.2
1991	32.2	37	86.7	0.59	1.2
1992	35.4	37	84.2	0.59	1.2
1993	36.9	37	83	0.59	1.2
1994	36.9	37	83	0.59	1.2
1995	39.3	37	81.1	0.59	1.2
1996	41.2	37	79.6	0.59	1.2
1997	41.2	37	79.6	0.59	1.2
1998	41.2	37	79.6	0.59	1.2
1999	41.2	37	79.6	0.59	1.2
2000	41.2	37	79.6	0.59	1.2
2001	41.2	37	79.6	0.59	1.2
2002	41.2	37	79.6	0.59	1.2
2003	41.2	37	79.6	0.59	1.2
2004	41.2	37	79.6	0.51	1.2
2005	41.2	37	79.6	0.42	1.2
2006	41.2	37	79.6	0.34	1.2
2007	41.2	37	79.6	0.34	1.2
2008	41.2	37	79.6	0.34	1.2
2009	41.2	37	79.6	0.34	1.2
2010	41.2	37	79.6	0.34	1.2
2011	41.2	37.5	79.6	0.34	1.2
2012	41.2	40	79.6	0.34	1.2
2013	41.2	42.5	79.6	0.34	1.2
2014	41.2	42.5	79.6	0.34	1.2
2015	41.2	42.5	79.6	0.34	1.2
2016	41.2	42.5	79.6	0.34	1.2
2017	41.2	42.5	79.6	0.34	1.2
2018	41.2	42.5	79.6	0.34	1.2
2019	41.2	42.5	79.6	0.34	1.2
2020	41.2	42.5	79.6	0.34	1.2
2021	41.2	42.5	79.6	0.34	1.2
2022	41.2	43,8	79.6	0.34	1.2
2023	41.2	45,1	79.6	0.34	1.2
2024	41.2	46.1	79.6	0.34	1.2

12.10.2 Annex 1.b. Emissions factors – Mobile combustion

The emissions factors used for calculating the Faroese emission of GHG in following mobile combustion categories are found in Table 12.32, Table 12.33 and Table 12.34:

- 1A3a Domestic aviation
- 1A3b Road transportation
- 1A3d Domestic navigation
- 1A4c Agriculture, forestry and fishing

Table 12.32 Emission factors for Domestic aviation, 1990-2024.

	CH_4 g/GJ	CO_2 kg/GJ	N_2O g/GJ
1990	485,3	72	2,680
1991	485,3	72	2,680
1992	485,3	72	2,680
1993	485,3	72	2,680
1994	485,3	72	2,680
1995	485,3	72	2,680
1996	485,3	72	2,680
1997	485,3	72	2,680
1998	485,3	72	2,680
1999	485,3	72	2,680
2000	485,3	72	2,680
2001	0,131	72	2,586
2002	0,133	72	2,589
2003	0,133	72	2,588
2004	0,137	72	2,598
2005	0,152	72	2,630
2006	0,153	72	2,628
2007	0,154	72	2,634
2008	0,154	72	2,634
2009	0,155	72	2,634
2010	0,155	72	2,634
2011	0,153	72	2,631
2012	0,204	72	2,621
2013	0,234	72	2,613
2014	0,258	72	2,607
2015	0,270	72	2,604
2016	0,264	72	2,601
2017	0,233	72	2,553
2018	0,240	72	2,563
2019	0,231	72	2,552
2020	0,219	72	2,533
2021	0,211	72	2,527
2022	0,214	72	2,526
2023	0,212	72	2,522
2024	0,210	72	2,518

Table 12.33 Emission factors for Road transportation, Example for diesel passenger cars, 1990-2024. EFs in g/km for urban and rural driving.

	Year	co2u_g_km	ch4u_g_km	n2ou_g_km	co2r_g_km	ch4r_g_km	n2or_g_km
Diesel PC	1990	234.0	0.022	0.000	130.2	0.012	0.000
Diesel PC	1991	237.0	0.021	0.000	131.6	0.012	0.000
Diesel PC	1992	235.1	0.021	0.000	133.8	0.012	0.000
Diesel PC	1993	237.9	0.021	0.000	135.3	0.012	0.001
Diesel PC	1994	235.5	0.021	0.000	136.9	0.011	0.001
Diesel PC	1995	236.0	0.021	0.001	138.3	0.011	0.001
Diesel PC	1996	238.8	0.020	0.001	139.9	0.011	0.001
Diesel PC	1997	234.6	0.020	0.001	141.9	0.010	0.002
Diesel PC	1998	234.8	0.017	0.001	144.2	0.009	0.002
Diesel PC	1999	232.1	0.015	0.001	146.2	0.008	0.003
Diesel PC	2000	228.9	0.014	0.002	147.3	0.007	0.004
Diesel PC	2001	229.5	0.012	0.003	148.0	0.006	0.004
Diesel PC	2002	223.2	0.010	0.006	147.5	0.005	0.004
Diesel PC	2003	220.2	0.009	0.007	146.9	0.004	0.004
Diesel PC	2004	215.1	0.008	0.009	146.3	0.003	0.004
Diesel PC	2005	216.5	0.007	0.010	145.9	0.003	0.004
Diesel PC	2006	214.7	0.006	0.011	145.7	0.002	0.004
Diesel PC	2007	211.7	0.005	0.012	145.0	0.001	0.004
Diesel PC	2008	211.0	0.004	0.014	142.9	0.001	0.004
Diesel PC	2009	205.7	0.003	0.014	140.6	0.001	0.004
Diesel PC	2010	208.6	0.003	0.014	139.0	0.001	0.004
Diesel PC	2011	197.9	0.002	0.015	135.7	0.000	0.004
Diesel PC	2012	199.9	0.002	0.015	135.6	0.000	0.004
Diesel PC	2013	198.4	0.001	0.015	134.3	0.000	0.004
Diesel PC	2014	194.8	0.001	0.015	134.4	0.000	0.004
Diesel PC	2015	195.2	0.001	0.015	133.0	0.000	0.004
Diesel PC	2016	196.2	0.001	0.015	132.7	0.000	0.004
Diesel PC	2017	198.2	0.001	0.014	133.5	0.000	0.004
Diesel PC	2018	200.4	0.000	0.014	135.2	0.000	0.004
Diesel PC	2019	204.5	0.000	0.014	136.9	0.000	0.004
Diesel PC	2020	204.5	0.000	0.014	136.9	0.000	0.004
Diesel PC	2021	204.5	0.000	0.04	136.9	0.000	0.004
Diesel PC	2022	204.5	0.000	0.04	136.9	0.000	0.004
Diesel PC	2023	204.5	0.000	0.04	136.9	0.000	0.004
Diesel PC	2024						

Table 12.34 Emission factors for Domestic navigation (diesel and residual) and Fisheries (diesel), 1990-2024.

	Navigation - diesel			Navigation and Fisheries - Residual			Fisheries - diesel		
	CH_4 g/GJ	CO_2 kg/GJ	N_2O g/GJ	CH_4 g/GJ	CO_2 kg/GJ	N_2O g/GJ	CH_4 g/GJ	CO_2 kg/GJ	N_2O kg/GJ
1990	1,034	74,1	1,852	1,093	78	1,944	0,928	74,1	1,833
1991	1,040	74,1	1,853	1,093	78	1,949	0,929	74,1	1,834
1992	1,045	74,1	1,855	1,093	78	1,949	0,932	74,1	1,834
1993	1,045	74,1	1,854	1,091	78	1,947	0,934	74,1	1,833
1994	1,047	74,1	1,854	1,084	78	1,942	0,935	74,1	1,831
1995	1,056	74,1	1,854	1,085	78	1,942	0,937	74,1	1,831
1996	1,102	74,1	1,856	1,092	78	1,937	0,938	74,1	1,832
1997	1,065	74,1	1,860	1,107	78	1,930	0,943	74,1	1,832
1998	1,072	74,1	1,861	1,127	78	1,935	0,947	74,1	1,831
1999	1,064	74,1	1,864	1,136	78	1,934	0,948	74,1	1,832
2000	1,123	74,1	1,866	1,146	78	1,936	0,956	74,1	1,831
2001	1,130	74,1	1,866	1,158	78	1,940	0,961	74,1	1,832
2002	1,160	74,1	1,867	1,175	78	1,946	0,965	74,1	1,831
2003	1,157	74,1	1,868	1,191	78	1,947	0,974	74,1	1,830
2004	1,148	74,1	1,867	1,195	78	1,944	0,985	74,1	1,829
2005	1,154	74,1	1,868	1,222	78	1,954	0,989	74,1	1,829
2006	1,151	74,1	1,868	1,242	78	1,962	1,001	74,1	1,828
2007	1,149	74,1	1,867	1,249	78	1,962	1,020	74,1	1,827
2008	1,167	74,1	1,868	1,252	78	1,961	1,030	74,1	1,827
2009	1,170	74,1	1,868	1,259	78	1,961	1,040	74,1	1,827
2010	1,162	74,1	1,868	1,264	78	1,960	1,061	74,1	1,827
2011	1,145	74,1	1,868	1,268	78	1,960	1,065	74,1	1,827
2012	1,213	74,1	1,868	1,273	78	1,960	1,065	74,1	1,829
2013	1,228	74,1	1,867	1,278	78	1,960	1,076	74,1	1,826
2014	1,208	74,1	1,865	1,282	78	1,960	1,080	74,1	1,827
2015	1,203	74,1	1,865	1,280	78	1,958	1,094	74,1	1,824
2016	1,198	74,1	1,866	1,283	78	1,958	1,090	74,1	1,825
2017	1,236	74,1	1,866	1,285	78	1,958	1,102	74,1	1,823
2018	1,218	74,1	1,867	1,289	78	1,958	1,112	74,1	1,822
2019	1,227	74,1	1,867	1,304	78	1,962	1,116	74,1	1,822
2020	1,237	74,1	1,866	1,312	78	1,962	1,127	74,1	1,822
2021	1,248	74,1	1,867	1,323	78	1,963	1,132	74,1	1,825
2022	1,265	74,1	1,867	1,314	78	1,961	1,139	74,1	1,826
2023	1,297	74,1	1,867	1,308	78	1,960	1,155	74,1	1,824
2024	1,348	74,1	1,866	1,295	78	1,958	1,154	74,1	1,825

12.10.3 Annex 2. Key Category Analysis

Table 12.35 Result of KCA for Faroe Islands, level and trend, 2023, including LULUCF. Approach 1.

Key categories of emissions and removals	Gas	Emissions/ removals Kt CO_2 eqv.	Level %	Trend %	KC
1.A.1 Fuel combustion - Energy Industries - Biomass	CH_4	0,0	0,0	0,0	
1.A.1 Fuel combustion - Energy Industries - Biomass	N_2O	0,1	0,0	0,0	
1.A.1 Fuel combustion - Energy Industries - Liquid Fuels	CO_2	152,7	12,8	7,6	X
1.A.1 Fuel combustion - Energy Industries - Liquid Fuels	CH_4	0,04	0,004	0,002	
1.A.1 Fuel combustion - Energy Industries - Liquid Fuels	N_2O	0,16	0,013	0,005	
1.A.1 Fuel combustion - Energy Industries - Other Fossil Fuels	CO_2	21,3	1,8	4,2	X
1.A.1 Fuel combustion - Energy Industries - Other Fossil Fuels	CH_4	0,0	0,0	0,0	
1.A.1 Fuel combustion - Energy Industries - Other Fossil Fuels	N_2O	0,1	0,0	0,0	
1.A.2 Fuel combustion - Manufacturing Industries and Construction - Liquid Fuels	CO_2	108,6	9,1	6,4	X
1.A.2 Fuel combustion - Manufacturing Industries and Construction - Liquid Fuels	CH_4	0,0	0,0	0,0	
1.A.2 Fuel combustion - Manufacturing Industries and Construction - Liquid Fuels	N_2O	1,1	0,1	0,0	
1.A.3.a Domestic Aviation	CO_2	2,1	0,2	1,4	X
1.A.3.a Domestic Aviation	CH_4	0,0	0,0	0,4	
1.A.3.a Domestic Aviation	N_2O	0,0	0,0	0,0	
1.A.3.b Road Transportation	CO_2	131,4	11,0	11,3	X
1.A.3.b Road Transportation	CH_4	0,1	0,0	0,4	
1.A.3.b Road Transportation	N_2O	2,7	0,2	0,6	
1.A.3.d Domestic Navigation - Liquid Fuels	CO_2	67,3	5,6	1,2	X
1.A.3.d Domestic Navigation - Liquid Fuels	CH_4	0,0	0,0	0,0	
1.A.3.d Domestic Navigation - Liquid Fuels	N_2O	0,4	0,0	0,0	
1.A.4 Other Sectors - Liquid Fuels	CO_2	516,8	43,2	27,3	X
1.A.4 Other Sectors - Liquid Fuels	CH_4	0,2	0,0	0,0	
1.A.4 Other Sectors - Liquid Fuels	N_2O	2,8	0,2	0,0	
2.D Non-energy Products from Fuels and Solvent Use	CO_2	1,1	0,1	0,1	
2.F.1 Refrigeration and Air conditioning	Aggregate F-gases	48,1	4,0	17,8	X
2.G Other Product Manufacture and Use	N_2O	0,2	0,0	0,3	
2.G Other Product Manufacture and Use	Aggregate F-gases	0,4	0,0	0,1	
3.A Enteric Fermentation	CH_4	24,3	2,0	4,5	X
3.B Manure Management	CH_4	3,1	0,3	0,6	
3.B Manure Management	N_2O	0,7	0,1	0,1	
3.D.1 Direct N_2O Emissions from Managed Soils	N_2O	52,8	4,4	7,0	X
3.D.2 Indirect N_2O Emissions from Managed Soils	N_2O	12,5	1,0	1,6	X
4.A.1 Forest Land Remaining Forest Land	CO_2	0,0	0,0	0,0	
4.A.2 Land Converted to Forest Land	CO_2	0,0	0,0	0,0	
4.C.1 Grassland Remaining Grassland	CO_2	34,8	2,9	5,4	X
4.E.2 Land Converted to Settlements	CO_2	0,0	0,0	0,0	
5.A Solid Waste Disposal	CH_4	2,6	0,2	0,5	
5.B Biological Treatment of Solid Waste	CH_4	0,6	0,0	0,2	
5.D Wastewater Treatment and Discharge	CH_4	5,4	0,5	0,6	
5.D Wastewater Treatment and Discharge	N_2O	1,3	0,1	0,1	
6. Other (indirect CO_2 emissions)	CO_2				
		1.195,9	100,0	100,0	

13 Information regarding the aggregated submission for the Kingdom of Denmark

This chapter contains information on the aggregated submission for Denmark, Greenland and the Faroe Islands submitted to the UNFCCC. This chapter contains a trend discussion, information on the aggregated reference approach, information relating to key categories and information on recalculations. Sector specific information is included for Denmark in Chapter 3-8, for Greenland in Chapter 11 and for the Faroe Islands in Chapter 12.

The institutional arrangements and the overall QA/QC plan are described in Chapter 1. This description covers all the Danish submissions to the European Union and the UNFCCC, and therefore information regarding the national system is not presented in this chapter.

13.1 Trends in emissions

Due to the small emissions originating from Greenland and the Faroe Islands, the trends for Denmark, Greenland and the Faroe Islands are practically identical to the trends for Denmark presented in Chapter 2. Therefore, they are not further described here.

13.2 The reference approach

In addition to the sector-specific CO_2 emission inventories (the national approach), the CO_2 emission is also estimated using the reference approach described in the 2006 IPCC Guidelines. The reference approach is based on data for fuel production, import, export and stock change. The CO_2 emission inventory based on the reference approach is reported to the Climate Convention and used for verification of the official data in the national approach.

The reference approach for Denmark is described in Chapter 3.4, the reference approach for Greenland is included in Chapter 11 and for the Faroe Islands in Chapter 12. The reference approach for the Faroe Islands show large differences for some years, see Chapter 12 for more information.

The difference between the two methods is almost exclusively caused by the difference between the Danish sectoral and reference approach. Please refer to Chapter 3.4 for more information.

13.3 Recalculations

13.3.1 Implications for emission levels

The impact of recalculations in the Greenlandic and Faroese inventories is insignificant compared to the recalculations in the Danish inventory. Therefore, the explanations and justifications are not repeated in this Chapter. Detailed information on the recalculations in the Danish inventory is provided in Chapter 9 and in the sectoral Chapters 3-7. The recalculations carried out for the Greenlandic inventory are described in Chapter 11 and the recalculations carried out for the Faroese inventory are described in Chapter 12.

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Annex 1 - Key category analysis

Description of the methodology used for identifying key categories

Key Category Analysis (KCA) approach 1 and 2 for year 1990 and 2024 for Denmark (excluding Greenland and Faroe Islands) has been carried out in accordance with the IPCC Guidelines (2006). The KCA has been carried out excluding and including the LULUCF sector. An approach 1 KCA has also been worked out for Greenland, see Chapter 11.

The base year in the analysis is the year 1990 for all greenhouse gases including F-gases. The KCA approaches are:

- A quantitative analysis, approach 1 KCA.
- An analysis based on uncertainties, approach 2 KCA.

The level assessment of the approach 1 KCA is a ranking of the source categories in accordance with their relative contribution to the national total of greenhouse gases calculated in CO_2 equivalent units. The level key categories are found from the list of source categories ranked according to their contribution in descending order. Level key categories are those from the top of the list and of which the sum constitutes 95 % of the national total.

The trend assessment of the approach 1 KCA is a ranking of the source categories according to their contribution to the trend of the national total of greenhouse gases, calculated in CO_2 equivalents, from the base year to the latest year. The trend of the source category is calculated relative to that of the national totals and the trend is then weighted with the contribution, according to the level assessment. The ranking is in descending order. As for the level assessment, the cut-off point for the sum of contribution to the trend is 95 % and the source categories from the top of the list to the cut-off line are trend key categories.

In addition, an approach 2 KCA has been carried out to provide additional insight into categories being key sources. The categorisation used is as for the approach 1 analysis and the uncertainties used are approach 1 uncertainties as listed in Annex 2.

The level approach 2 KCA is a ranking of the categories according to their relative contribution to the national total multiplied by the uncertainty of the emission of the category as the combined uncertainty on activity data and on emission factor. Chosen for cut-off for key categories in the analysis is 90 %.

The trend approach 2 KCA is a ranking of the categories according to their relative contribution to the trend 1990-2024 of the national total multiplied by the uncertainty of the emission of the category. Chosen for cut-off for key categories in the analysis is 90 %.

Since the level KCA is carried out for 1990, 2024 and trend, for data exclusive and inclusive LULUCF and based on approach 1 and approach 2 a total of 12 KCA tables for Denmark (excluding Greenland and Faroe Islands) has been worked out.

In addition, two[1] overview tables based on the Guidebook (2006), Vol. 1, Table 4.4 are shown. The overview tables show summary results of the KCAs for 1990, for 2024, and for the trend 1990-2024.

The inclusion of the LULUCF sector in the level analysis implies that the emissions in this sector are all calculated positive, i.e. the absolute value of removals are included. Note also that according to the Guidebook, the analysis implies that contributions to the trend are all calculated as mathematically positive to be able to perform the ranking.

Emission source categories

The emission source categories are identical to the emission source categories applied in the uncertainty analysis. The KCA is based on 227 emission source categories including 38 LULUCF source categories.

Result of the Key Category Analysis for Denmark

An overview of results of the KCA excluding LULUCF is shown in Table A1-1 and results of the KCA including LULUCF are shown in Table A1-2. The number of key source categories for each of the KCA are shown in Table A1-3.

The 12 different KCA for Denmark point out 27-50 key source categories each and a total of 81 different key source categories. The number of key categories in each of the main sectors is: energy 39, IPPU 3, agriculture 13, LULUCF 17 and waste 9.

Approach 1 point out mainly the large emission sources as key categories and thus CO_2 emission from stationary and mobile combustion are important key categories. Approach 2 point out some of the sources with larger uncertainty rates.

The list below gives an overview of the different KCA for Denmark (not including Greenland and Faroe Islands) that are presented in Table A1-4 – Table A1-15.

Table A1-4 KCA for Denmark, level assessment, base year excl. LULUCF, approach 1.
Table A1-5 KCA for Denmark, level assessment base year incl. LULUCF, approach 1.
Table A1-6 KCA for Denmark, level assessment 2024 excl. LULUCF, approach 1.
Table A1-7 KCA for Denmark, level assessment 2024 incl. LULUCF, approach 1.
Table A1-8 KCA for Denmark, trend assessment 1990-2024 excl. LULUCF, approach 1.
Table A1-9 KCA for Denmark, trend assessment 1990-2024 incl. LULUCF, approach 1.
Table A1-10 KCA for Denmark, level assessment base year excl. LULUCF, approach 2.
Table A1-11 KCA for Denmark, level assessment base year incl. LULUCF, approach 2.
Table A1-12 KCA for Denmark, level assessment 2024 excl. LULUCF, approach 2.
Table A1-13 KCA for Denmark, level assessment 2024 incl. LULUCF, approach 2.
Table A1-14 KCA for Denmark, trend assessment 1990-2024 excl. LULUCF, approach 2.
Table A1-15 KCA for Denmark, trend assessment 1990-2024 incl. LULUCF, approach 2.

[1] Including and excluding LULUCF.

Table A1-1 Summary of KCA for Denmark, level and trend for 1990-2024, excl. LULUCF, approach 1 and approach 2.

IPCC Source Categories (LULUCF excluded)		GHG	Key categories with number according to ranking in analysis					
			Level Approach 1 1990	Level Approach 1 2024	Trend Approach 1 1990-2024	Level Approach 2 1990	Level Approach 2 2024	Trend Approach 2 1990-2024
Energy	1A Stationary combustion, Coal, ETS data, CO_2	CO_2		5	4			
Energy	1A Stationary combustion, Coal, no ETS data, CO_2	CO_2	1		1	10		7
Energy	1A Stationary combustion, BKB, CO_2	CO_2						
Energy	1A Stationary combustion, Coke oven coke, CO_2	CO_2						
Energy	1A Stationary combustion, Fossil waste, ETS data, CO_2	CO_2		6	6		31	23
Energy	1A Stationary combustion, Fossil waste, no ETS data, CO_2	CO_2	20	19		34		
Energy	1A Stationary combustion, Petroleum coke, ETS data, CO_2	CO_2		22	19			
Energy	1A Stationary combustion, Petroleum coke, no ETS data, CO_2	CO_2	26		22			
Energy	1A Stationary combustion, Residual oil, ETS data, CO_2	CO_2						
Energy	1A Stationary combustion, Residual oil, no ETS data, CO_2	CO_2	7		8	35		36
Energy	1A Stationary combustion, Gas oil, CO_2	CO_2	3	11	3	22		26
Energy	1A Stationary combustion, Kerosene, CO_2	CO_2	27		24			
Energy	1A Stationary combustion, LPG, CO_2	CO_2		28	27			
Energy	1A1b Stationary combustion, Petroleum refining, Refinery gas, CO_2	CO_2	13	10	16			
Energy	1A Stationary combustion, Natural gas, onshore, CO_2	CO_2	5	4	10	37		
Energy	1A1c_ii Stationary combustion, Oil and gas extraction, Offshore gas turbines, Natural gas, CO_2	CO_2	25	8	9			
Energy	1A1 Stationary Combustion, Solid fuels, CH_4	CH_4						
Energy	1A1 Stationary Combustion, Liquid fuels, CH_4	CH_4						
Energy	1A1 Stationary Combustion, not engines, gaseous fuels, CH_4	CH_4						
Energy	1A1 Stationary Combustion, Waste, CH_4	CH_4						
Energy	1A1 Stationary Combustion, not engines, Biomass, CH_4	CH_4						
Energy	1A2 Stationary Combustion, solid fuels, CH_4	CH_4						
Energy	1A2 Stationary Combustion, Liquid fuels, CH_4	CH_4						
Energy	1A2 Stationary Combustion, not engines, gaseous fuels, CH_4	CH_4						
Energy	1A2 Stationary Combustion, Waste, CH_4	CH_4						
Energy	1A2 Stationary Combustion, not engines, Biomass, CH_4	CH_4						
Energy	1A4 Stationary Combustion, Solid fuels, CH_4	CH_4						
Energy	1A4 Stationary Combustion, Liquid fuels, CH_4	CH_4						
Energy	1A4 Stationary Combustion, not engines, gaseous fuels, CH_4	CH_4						
Energy	1A4 Stationary Combustion, Waste, CH_4	CH_4						
Energy	1A4 Stationary Combustion, not engines, not residential wood and not residential/agricultural straw, Biomass, CH_4	CH_4						
Energy	1A4b_i Stationary combustion, Residential wood combustion, CH_4	CH_4				24	36	
Energy	1A4b_i/1A4c_i Stationary Combustion, Residential and agricultural straw combustion, CH_4	CH_4				25	33	
Energy	1A Stationary combustion, Natural gas fuelled engines, gaseous fuels, CH_4	CH_4						
Energy	1A Stationary combustion, Biogas fuelled engines, Biomass, CH_4	CH_4						

IPCC Source Categories (LULUCF excluded)		GHG	Key categories with number according to ranking in analysis					
			Level Approach 1 1990	Level Approach 1 2024	Trend Approach 1 1990-2024	Level Approach 2 1990	Level Approach 2 2024	Trend Approach 2 1990-2024
Energy	1A1 Stationary Combustion, Solid fuels, N_2O	N_2O				17		16
Energy	1A1 Stationary Combustion, Liquid fuels, N_2O	N_2O						
Energy	1A1 Stationary Combustion, Gaseous fuels, N_2O	N_2O				31	34	
Energy	1A1 Stationary Combustion, Waste, N_2O	N_2O					35	29
Energy	1A1 Stationary Combustion, Biomass, N_2O	N_2O					12	9
Energy	1A2 Stationary Combustion, Solid fuels, N_2O	N_2O						
Energy	1A2 Stationary Combustion, Liquid fuels, N_2O	N_2O				14		12
Energy	1A2 Stationary Combustion, Gaseous fuels, N_2O	N_2O					26	32
Energy	1A2 Stationary Combustion, Waste, N_2O	N_2O						
Energy	1A2 Stationary Combustion, Biomass, N_2O	N_2O					30	33
Energy	1A4 Stationary Combustion, Solid fuels, N_2O	N_2O						
Energy	1A4 Stationary Combustion, Liquid fuels, N_2O	N_2O				26		27
Energy	1A4 Stationary Combustion, Gaseous fuels, N_2O	N_2O						
Energy	1A4 Stationary Combustion, Waste, N_2O	N_2O						
Energy	1A4 Stationary Combustion, not residential wood and not residential/agricultural straw, Biomass, N_2O	N_2O						
Energy	1A4b_i Stationary Combustion, Residential wood combustion, N_2O	N_2O					16	19
Energy	1A4b_i/1A4c_i Stationary Combustion, Residential and agricultural straw combustion, N_2O	N_2O						
Energy	1.A.2.g Industry (mobile)	CO_2	24	14	15	16	9	8
Energy	1.A.3.a Civil aviation	CO_2		32				
Energy	1.A.3.b Road Transport	CO_2	2	1	2	9	6	5
Energy	1.A.3.c Railways	CO_2	29	30				
Energy	1.A.3.d Navigation (large vessels)	CO_2	17	18		28	38	
Energy	1.A.4.a Commercial/Institutional (mobile)	CO_2		31			32	37
Energy	1.A.4.b Residential (mobile)	CO_2						
Energy	1.A.4.c ii Agriculture (mobile)	CO_2	22	15	18	21	13	18
Energy	1.A.4.c ii Forestry (mobile)	CO_2						
Energy	1.A.4.c iii Fisheries	CO_2	19	23				
Energy	1.A.5.b Other (military)	CO_2						38
Energy	1.A.5.b Other (small boats)	CO_2						
Energy	1.A.2.g Industry (mobile)	CH_4						
Energy	1.A.3.a Civil aviation	CH_4						
Energy	1.A.3.b Road Transport	CH_4						
Energy	1.A.3.c Railways	CH_4						
Energy	1.A.3.d Navigation (large vessels)	CH_4						
Energy	1.A.4.a Commercial/Institutional (mobile)	CH_4						
Energy	1.A.4.b Residential (mobile)	CH_4						
Energy	1.A.4.c ii Agriculture (mobile)	CH_4						

IPCC Source Categories (LULUCF excluded)		GHG	Key categories with number according to ranking in analysis					
			Level Approach 1 1990	Level Approach 1 2024	Trend Approach 1 1990-2024	Level Approach 2 1990	Level Approach 2 2024	Trend Approach 2 1990-2024
Energy	1.A.4.c ii Forestry (mobile)	CH_4						
Energy	1.A.4.c iii Fisheries	CH_4						
Energy	1.A.5.b Other (military)	CH_4						
Energy	1.A.5.b Other (small boats)	CH_4						
Energy	1.A.2.g Industry (mobile)	N_2O					20	24
Energy	1.A.3.a Civil aviation	N_2O						
Energy	1.A.3.b Road Transport	N_2O		25	23		15	13
Energy	1.A.3.c Railways	N_2O						
Energy	1.A.3.d Navigation (large vessels)	N_2O						
Energy	1.A.4.a Commercial/Institutional (mobile)	N_2O						
Energy	1.A.4.b Residential (mobile)	N_2O						
Energy	1.A.4.c ii Agriculture (mobile)	N_2O					21	25
Energy	1.A.4.c ii Forestry (mobile)	N_2O						
Energy	1.A.4.c iii Fisheries	N_2O						
Energy	1.A.5.b Other (military)	N_2O						
Energy	1.A.5.b Other (small boats)	N_2O						
Energy	1.B.2.a.1 Exploration	CO_2						
Energy	1.B.2.a.4 Refining/storage	CO_2						
Energy	1.B.2.b.1 Exploration	CO_2						
Energy	1.B.2.b.2 Production	CO_2						
Energy	1.B.2.b.4 Transmission and storage	CO_2						
Energy	1.B.2.b.5 Distribution	CO_2						
Energy	1.B.2.b.6 Post-meter	CO_2						
Energy	1.B.2.c.1.ii Venting	CO_2						
Energy	1.B.2.c.2.i Flaring, oil	CO_2						
Energy	1.B.2.c.2.ii Flaring, gas	CO_2						
Energy	1.B.2.c.2.iii Flaring, combined	CO_2	28					
Energy	1.B.2.a.1 Exploration	CH_4						
Energy	1.B.2.a.3 Transport	CH_4						
Energy	1.B.2.a.4 Refining/storage	CH_4				32		
Energy	1.B.2.a.6 Abandoned wells	CH_4						
Energy	1.B.2.b.1 Exploration	CH_4						
Energy	1.B.2.b.2 Production	CH_4				12	25	17
Energy	1.B.2.b.4 Transmission and storage	CH_4						
Energy	1.B.2.b.5 Distribution	CH_4						
Energy	1.B.2.b.6 Post-meter	CH_4						
Energy	1.B.2.c.1.ii Venting	CH_4						
Energy	1.B.2.c.2.i Flaring, oil	CH_4						
Energy	1.B.2.c.2.ii Flaring, gas	CH_4						

IPCC Source Categories (LULUCF excluded)		GHG	Key categories with number according to ranking in analysis					
			Level Approach 1 1990	Level Approach 1 2024	Trend Approach 1 1990-2024	Level Approach 2 1990	Level Approach 2 2024	Trend Approach 2 1990-2024
Energy	1.B.2.c.2.iii Flaring, combined	CH_4						
Energy	1.B.2.a.1 Exploration, oil	N_2O						
Energy	1.B.2.c.2.i Flaring, oil	N_2O						
Energy	1.B.2.c.2.ii Flaring, gas	N_2O						
Energy	1.B.2.c.2.iii Flaring, combined	N_2O						
IPPU	2A1 Cement production	CO_2	14	9	11			
IPPU	2A2 Lime production	CO_2						
IPPU	2A3 Glass production	CO_2						
IPPU	2A4a Ceramics	CO_2						
IPPU	2A4b Other uses of soda ash	CO_2						
IPPU	2A4d Other process uses of carbonates	CO_2						
IPPU	2B10 Production of catalysts	CO_2						
IPPU	2C1a Steel	CO_2						
IPPU	2C5 Lead production	CO_2						
IPPU	2D1 Lubricant use	CO_2						
IPPU	2D2 Paraffin wax use	CO_2						
IPPU	2D3 Urea based catalysts	CO_2						
IPPU	2G4 Fireworks	CO_2						
IPPU	2D2 Paraffin wax use	CH_4						
IPPU	2D3 Road paving with asphalt	CH_4						
IPPU	2G4 Fireworks	CH_4						
IPPU	2G4 Tobacco	CH_4						
IPPU	2G4 Charcoal	CH_4						
IPPU	2B2 Nitric acid production	N_2O	10		12	15		11
IPPU	2B10 Production of catalysts	N_2O						
IPPU	2D2 Paraffin wax use	N_2O						
IPPU	2G3a Medical application of N_2O	N_2O						
IPPU	2G3b N2O as propellant for pressure and aerosol products	N_2O						
IPPU	2G4 Fireworks	N_2O						
IPPU	2G4 Tobacco	N_2O						
IPPU	2G4 Charcoal	N_2O						
IPPU	2E Electronics industry	HFCs						
IPPU	2F1 Refrigeration and air conditioning	HFCs		24	21		14	10
IPPU	2F2 Foam blowing agents	HFCs						
IPPU	2F4 Aerosols	HFCs						
IPPU	2E Electronics industry	PFCs						
IPPU	2F1 Refrigeration and air conditioning	PFCs						
IPPU	2C4 Magnesium production	SF_6						
IPPU	2G1 Electrical equipment	SF_6						

IPCC Source Categories (LULUCF excluded)		GHG	Key categories with number according to ranking in analysis					
			Level Approach 1 1990	Level Approach 1 2024	Trend Approach 1 1990-2024	Level Approach 2 1990	Level Approach 2 2024	Trend Approach 2 1990-2024
IPPU	2G2 SF_6 and PFCs from other product use	SF_6						
Agriculture	3A Enteric Fermentation	CH_4	4	2	5	4	2	4
Agriculture	3B Manure Management	CH_4	6	3	7	3	1	1
Agriculture	3F Field Burning of Agricultural Residues	CH_4						
Agriculture	3B Manure Management	N_2O	18	20		8	8	34
Agriculture	3B5 Atmospheric deposition	N_2O		33		27	37	
Agriculture	3Da1 Inorganic N fertilizer	N_2O	8	7	26	1	4	14
Agriculture	3Da2a Animal manure applied to soils	N_2O	11	13	20	7	5	6
Agriculture	3Da2b Sewage sludge applied to soils	N_2O						
Agriculture	3Da2c Other organic fertilizer applied to soils	N_2O						
Agriculture	3Da3 Urine and dung deposited by grazing animals	N_2O				19	27	
Agriculture	3Da4 Crop Residues	N_2O	15	12	17	6	3	3
Agriculture	3Da5 Mineralization	N_2O				18	19	
Agriculture	3Da6 Cultivation of organic soils	N_2O	16	21		11	10	
Agriculture	3Db1 Atmospheric deposition	N_2O	23	26		20	29	
Agriculture	3Db2 Leaching	N_2O	12	16		5	7	28
Agriculture	3F Field Burning of Agricultural Residues	N_2O						
Agriculture	3G Liming	CO_2	21	29	25	13	18	22
Agriculture	3H Urea application	CO_2						
Agriculture	3I Other carbon-containing fertilizers	CO_2						
Waste	5.E Accidental fires	CO_2				29	28	
Waste	5.A Solid waste disposal	CH_4	9	27	14	2	11	2
Waste	5.B.1 Composting	CH_4					24	21
Waste	5.B.2. Anaerobic digestion at biogas facilities	CH_4		17	13		17	15
Waste	5.C.1 Incineration of corpses	CH_4						
Waste	5.C.2 Incineration of carcasses	CH_4						
Waste	5.D.1 Municipal wastewater treatment	CH_4				33	23	31
Waste	5.D.1 Anaerobic treatment plants	CH_4						
Waste	5.D.1 Septic tanks	CH_4						
Waste	5.D.1 Municipal wastewater effluent	CH_4				36		
Waste	5.D.2 Industrial wastewater effluent	CH_4				23		20
Waste	5.E Accidental fires	CH_4						
Waste	5.B.1 Composting	N_2O						30
Waste	5.C.1 Incineration of corpses	N_2O						
Waste	5.C.2 Incineration of carcasses	N_2O						
Waste	5.D.1 Municipal wastewater treatment	N_2O				30	22	35
Waste	5.D.1 Municipal wastewater effluent	N_2O						
Waste	5.D.2 Industrial wastewater treatment	N_2O						
Waste	5.D.2 Industrial wastewater effluent	N_2O						

Table A1-2 Summary of KCA for Denmark, level and trend for 1990-2024, incl. LULUCF, approach 1 and approach 2.

IPCC Source Categories (LULUCF included)		GHG	Key categories with number according to ranking in analysis					
			Level Approach 1 1990	Level Approach 1 2024	Trend Approach 1 1990-2024	Level Approach 2 1990	Level Approach 2 2024	Trend Approach 2 1990-2024
Energy	1A Stationary combustion, Coal, ETS data, CO_2	CO_2		6	7			
Energy	1A Stationary combustion, Coal, no ETS data, CO_2	CO_2	1		1	12		10
Energy	1A Stationary combustion, BKB, CO_2	CO_2						
Energy	1A Stationary combustion, Coke oven coke, CO_2	CO_2						
Energy	1A Stationary combustion, Fossil waste, ETS data, CO_2	CO_2		8	8		41	31
Energy	1A Stationary combustion, Fossil waste, no ETS data, CO_2	CO_2	23	23	32			
Energy	1A Stationary combustion, Petroleum coke, ETS data, CO_2	CO_2		26	25			
Energy	1A Stationary combustion, Petroleum coke, no ETS data, CO_2	CO_2	31		28			
Energy	1A Stationary combustion, Residual oil, ETS data, CO_2	CO_2						
Energy	1A Stationary combustion, Residual oil, no ETS data, CO_2	CO_2	8		9			
Energy	1A Stationary combustion, Gas oil, CO_2	CO_2	3	15	5	28		40
Energy	1A Stationary combustion, Kerosene, CO_2	CO_2	32		30			
Energy	1A Stationary combustion, LPG, CO_2	CO_2		33	33			
Energy	1A1b Stationary combustion, Petroleum refining, Refinery gas, CO_2	CO_2	16	14	17			
Energy	1A Stationary combustion, Natural gas, onshore, CO_2	CO_2	6	4	12			
Energy	1A1c_ii Stationary combustion, Oil and gas extraction, Offshore gas turbines, Natural gas, CO_2	CO_2	28	11	11			
Energy	1A1 Stationary Combustion, Solid fuels, CH_4	CH_4						
Energy	1A1 Stationary Combustion, Liquid fuels, CH_4	CH_4						
Energy	1A1 Stationary Combustion, not engines, gaseous fuels, CH_4	CH_4						
Energy	1A1 Stationary Combustion, Waste, CH_4	CH_4						
Energy	1A1 Stationary Combustion, not engines, Biomass, CH_4	CH_4						
Energy	1A2 Stationary Combustion, solid fuels, CH_4	CH_4						
Energy	1A2 Stationary Combustion, Liquid fuels, CH_4	CH_4						
Energy	1A2 Stationary Combustion, not engines, gaseous fuels, CH_4	CH_4						
Energy	1A2 Stationary Combustion, Waste, CH_4	CH_4						
Energy	1A2 Stationary Combustion, not engines, Biomass, CH_4	CH_4						
Energy	1A4 Stationary Combustion, Solid fuels, CH_4	CH_4						
Energy	1A4 Stationary Combustion, Liquid fuels, CH_4	CH_4						
Energy	1A4 Stationary Combustion, not engines, gaseous fuels, CH_4	CH_4						
Energy	1A4 Stationary Combustion, Waste, CH_4	CH_4						
Energy	1A4 Stationary Combustion, not engines, not residential wood and not residential/agricultural straw, Biomass, CH_4	CH_4						
Energy	1A4b_i Stationary combustion, Residential wood combustion, CH_4	CH_4				31	46	
Energy	1A4b_i/1A4c_i Stationary Combustion, Residential and agricultural straw combustion, CH_4	CH_4				32	43	
Energy	1A Stationary combustion, Natural gas fuelled engines, gaseous fuels, CH_4	CH_4						
Energy	1A Stationary combustion, Biogas fuelled engines, Biomass, CH_4	CH_4						

IPCC Source Categories (LULUCF included)		GHG	Key categories with number according to ranking in analysis					
			Level Approach 1 1990	Level Approach 1 2024	Trend Approach 1 1990-2024	Level Approach 2 1990	Level Approach 2 2024	Trend Approach 2 1990-2024
Energy	1A1 Stationary Combustion, Solid fuels, N_2O	N_2O				22		23
Energy	1A1 Stationary Combustion, Liquid fuels, N_2O	N_2O						
Energy	1A1 Stationary Combustion, Gaseous fuels, N_2O	N_2O				40	44	
Energy	1A1 Stationary Combustion, Waste, N_2O	N_2O					45	39
Energy	1A1 Stationary Combustion, Biomass, N_2O	N_2O					14	12
Energy	1A2 Stationary Combustion, Solid fuels, N_2O	N_2O						
Energy	1A2 Stationary Combustion, Liquid fuels, N_2O	N_2O				18		19
Energy	1A2 Stationary Combustion, Gaseous fuels, N_2O	N_2O					36	41
Energy	1A2 Stationary Combustion, Waste, N_2O	N_2O						
Energy	1A2 Stationary Combustion, Biomass, N_2O	N_2O					40	44
Energy	1A4 Stationary Combustion, Solid fuels, N_2O	N_2O						
Energy	1A4 Stationary Combustion, Liquid fuels, N_2O	N_2O				33		37
Energy	1A4 Stationary Combustion, Gaseous fuels, N_2O	N_2O						
Energy	1A4 Stationary Combustion, Waste, N_2O	N_2O						
Energy	1A4 Stationary Combustion, not residential wood and not residential/agricultural straw, Biomass, N_2O	N_2O						
Energy	1A4b_i Stationary Combustion, Residential wood combustion, N_2O	N_2O					24	25
Energy	1A4b_i/1A4c_i Stationary Combustion, Residential and agricultural straw combustion, N_2O	N_2O						
Energy	1.A.2.g Industry (mobile)	CO_2	27	18	18	21	11	11
Energy	1.A.3.a Civil aviation	CO_2		42				
Energy	1.A.3.b Road Transport	CO_2	2	1	2	11	7	8
Energy	1.A.3.c Railways	CO_2	35	36				
Energy	1.A.3.d Navigation (large vessels)	CO_2	20	22	39	35	48	
Energy	1.A.4.a Commercial/Institutional (mobile)	CO_2		37	37		42	48
Energy	1.A.4.b Residential (mobile)	CO_2						
Energy	1.A.4.c ii Agriculture (mobile)	CO_2	25	19	23	27	15	21
Energy	1.A.4.c ii Forestry (mobile)	CO_2						
Energy	1.A.4.c iii Fisheries	CO_2	22	27				
Energy	1.A.5.b Other (military)	CO_2						
Energy	1.A.5.b Other (small boats)	CO_2						
Energy	1.A.2.g Industry (mobile)	CH_4						
Energy	1.A.3.a Civil aviation	CH_4						
Energy	1.A.3.b Road Transport	CH_4						
Energy	1.A.3.c Railways	CH_4						
Energy	1.A.3.d Navigation (large vessels)	CH_4						
Energy	1.A.4.a Commercial/Institutional (mobile)	CH_4						
Energy	1.A.4.b Residential (mobile)	CH_4						
Energy	1.A.4.c ii Agriculture (mobile)	CH_4						

IPCC Source Categories (LULUCF included)		GHG	Key categories with number according to ranking in analysis					
			Level Approach 1 1990	Level Approach 1 2024	Trend Approach 1 1990-2024	Level Approach 2 1990	Level Approach 2 2024	Trend Approach 2 1990-2024
Energy	1.A.4.c ii Forestry (mobile)	CH_4						
Energy	1.A.4.c iii Fisheries	CH_4						
Energy	1.A.5.b Other (military)	CH_4						
Energy	1.A.5.b Other (small boats)	CH_4						
Energy	1.A.2.g Industry (mobile)	N_2O					29	30
Energy	1.A.3.a Civil aviation	N_2O						
Energy	1.A.3.b Road Transport	N_2O		30	27		21	17
Energy	1.A.3.c Railways	N_2O						
Energy	1.A.3.d Navigation (large vessels)	N_2O						
Energy	1.A.4.a Commercial/Institutional (mobile)	N_2O						
Energy	1.A.4.b Residential (mobile)	N_2O						
Energy	1.A.4.c ii Agriculture (mobile)	N_2O					30	33
Energy	1.A.4.c ii Forestry (mobile)	N_2O						
Energy	1.A.4.c iii Fisheries	N_2O						
Energy	1.A.5.b Other (military)	N_2O						
Energy	1.A.5.b Other (small boats)	N_2O						
Energy	1.B.2.a.1 Exploration	CO_2						
Energy	1.B.2.a.4 Refining/storage	CO_2						
Energy	1.B.2.b.1 Exploration	CO_2						
Energy	1.B.2.b.2 Production	CO_2						
Energy	1.B.2.b.4 Transmission and storage	CO_2						
Energy	1.B.2.b.5 Distribution	CO_2						
Energy	1.B.2.b.6 Post-meter	CO_2						
Energy	1.B.2.c.1.ii Venting	CO_2						
Energy	1.B.2.c.2.i Flaring, oil	CO_2						
Energy	1.B.2.c.2.ii Flaring, gas	CO_2						
Energy	1.B.2.c.2.iii Flaring, combined	CO_2	33	46				
Energy	1.B.2.a.1 Exploration	CH_4						
Energy	1.B.2.a.3 Transport	CH_4						
Energy	1.B.2.a.4 Refining/storage	CH_4				43		
Energy	1.B.2.a.6 Abandoned wells	CH_4						
Energy	1.B.2.b.1 Exploration	CH_4						
Energy	1.B.2.b.2 Production	CH_4	38			15	35	26
Energy	1.B.2.b.4 Transmission and storage	CH_4						
Energy	1.B.2.b.5 Distribution	CH_4						
Energy	1.B.2.b.6 Post-meter	CH_4						
Energy	1.B.2.c.1.ii Venting	CH_4						
Energy	1.B.2.c.2.i Flaring, oil	CH_4						
Energy	1.B.2.c.2.ii Flaring, gas	CH_4						

IPCC Source Categories (LULUCF included)		GHG	Key categories with number according to ranking in analysis					
			Level Approach 1 1990	Level Approach 1 2024	Trend Approach 1 1990-2024	Level Approach 2 1990	Level Approach 2 2024	Trend Approach 2 1990-2024
Energy	1.B.2.c.2.iii Flaring, combined	CH_4						
Energy	1.B.2.a.1 Exploration, oil	N_2O						
Energy	1.B.2.c.2.i Flaring, oil	N_2O						
Energy	1.B.2.c.2.ii Flaring, gas	N_2O						
Energy	1.B.2.c.2.iii Flaring, combined	N_2O						
IPPU	2A1 Cement production	CO_2	17	12	15			
IPPU	2A2 Lime production	CO_2						
IPPU	2A3 Glass production	CO_2						
IPPU	2A4a Ceramics	CO_2						
IPPU	2A4b Other uses of soda ash	CO_2						
IPPU	2A4d Other process uses of carbonates	CO_2						
IPPU	2B10 Production of catalysts	CO_2						
IPPU	2C1a Steel	CO_2						
IPPU	2C5 Lead production	CO_2						
IPPU	2D1 Lubricant use	CO_2						
IPPU	2D2 Paraffin wax use	CO_2						
IPPU	2D3 Urea based catalysts	CO_2						
IPPU	2G4 Fireworks	CO_2						
IPPU	2D2 Paraffin wax use	CH_4						
IPPU	2D3 Road paving with asphalt	CH_4						
IPPU	2G4 Fireworks	CH_4						
IPPU	2G4 Tobacco	CH_4						
IPPU	2G4 Charcoal	CH_4						
IPPU	2B2 Nitric acid production	N_2O	13		19	20		16
IPPU	2B10 Production of catalysts	N_2O						
IPPU	2D2 Paraffin wax use	N_2O						
IPPU	2G3a Medical application of N_2O	N_2O						
IPPU	2G3b N2O as propellant for pressure and aerosol products	N_2O						
IPPU	2G4 Fireworks	N_2O						
IPPU	2G4 Tobacco	N_2O						
IPPU	2G4 Charcoal	N_2O						
IPPU	2E Electronics industry	HFCs						
IPPU	2F1 Refrigeration and air conditioning	HFCs		29	26		19	14
IPPU	2F2 Foam blowing agents	HFCs						
IPPU	2F4 Aerosols	HFCs						
IPPU	2E Electronics industry	PFCs						
IPPU	2F1 Refrigeration and air conditioning	PFCs						
IPPU	2C4 Magnesium production	SF_6						
IPPU	2G1 Electrical equipment	SF_6						

IPCC Source Categories (LULUCF included)		GHG	Key categories with number according to ranking in analysis					
			Level Approach 1 1990	Level Approach 1 2024	Trend Approach 1 1990-2024	Level Approach 2 1990	Level Approach 2 2024	Trend Approach 2 1990-2024
IPPU	2G2 SF6 and PFCs from other product use	SF_6						
Agriculture	3A Enteric Fermentation	CH_4	5	2	4	5	2	3
Agriculture	3B Manure Management	CH_4	7	3	6	4	1	1
Agriculture	3F Field Burning of Agricultural Residues	CH_4						
Agriculture	3B Manure Management	N_2O	21	24		9	10	28
Agriculture	3B5 Atmospheric deposition	N_2O	37	43		34	47	
Agriculture	3Da1 Inorganic N fertilizer	N_2O	9	10	29	2	5	13
Agriculture	3Da2a Animal manure applied to soils	N_2O	14	17	24	8	6	9
Agriculture	3Da2b Sewage sludge applied to soils	N_2O						
Agriculture	3Da2c Other organic fertilizer applied to soils	N_2O						
Agriculture	3Da3 Urine and dung deposited by grazing animals	N_2O				24	37	
Agriculture	3Da4 Crop Residues	N_2O	18	16	20	7	3	2
Agriculture	3Da5 Mineralization	N_2O				23	28	
Agriculture	3Da6 Cultivation of organic soils	N_2O	19	25		13	12	
Agriculture	3Db1 Atmospheric deposition	N_2O	26	31		26	39	
Agriculture	3Db2 Leaching	N_2O	15	20	38	6	8	24
Agriculture	3F Field Burning of Agricultural Residues	N_2O						
Agriculture	3G Liming	CO_2	24	35	36	16	26	36
Agriculture	3H Urea application	CO_2						
Agriculture	3I Other carbon-containing fertilizers	CO_2						
LULUCF	4.A.1 Forest land remaining forest land, Living biomass	CO_2		5	3		22	18
LULUCF	4.A.1 Forest land remaining forest land, Dead organic matter	CO_2		38				
LULUCF	4.A.1 Forest land remaining forest land, Mineral soils	CO_2	36	28	34	29	18	32
LULUCF	4.A.1 Forest land remaining forest land, Organic soils	CO_2		39	40	41	34	46
LULUCF	4.A.2 Land converted to forest land	CO_2	11	9	14	25	16	27
LULUCF	4.B.1 Cropland remaining cropland, Living biomass	CO_2						
LULUCF	4.B.1 Cropland remaining cropland, Mineral soils	CO_2	12		21	10		7
LULUCF	4.B.1 Cropland remaining cropland, Organic soils	CO_2	4	7	10	1	4	4
LULUCF	4.B.2 Forest land converted to cropland	CO_2						49
LULUCF	4.B.2 Other land uses converted to cropland	CO_2						
LULUCF	4(II) Cropland on organic soils	CO_2				39		
LULUCF	4.C.1 Grassland remaining grassland, Living biomass	CO_2						
LULUCF	4.C.1 Grassland remaining grassland, Organic soils	CO_2	29	13	13	19	9	6
LULUCF	4.C.2 Forest land converted to grassland	CO_2						
LULUCF	4.C.2 Other land uses converted to grassland	CO_2						
LULUCF	4(II) Grassland on organic soils	CO_2						
LULUCF	4.D.1.1 Peat extraction remaining peat extraction	CO_2				36		
LULUCF	4.D.1.2 Flooded land remaining flooded land	CO_2						
LULUCF	4.D.2. Land converted to wetlands	CO_2						

IPCC Source Categories (LULUCF included)		GHG	Key categories with number according to ranking in analysis					
			Level Approach 1 1990	Level Approach 1 2024	Trend Approach 1 1990-2024	Level Approach 2 1990	Level Approach 2 2024	Trend Approach 2 1990-2024
LULUCF	4.E.2 Forest land converted to settlements	CO_2					49	35
LULUCF	4.E.2 Other land uses converted to settlements	CO_2	30	34		14	17	
LULUCF	4.G Harvested wood products	CO_2						
LULUCF	4(II) Cropland on organic soils	CH_4	34	45		17	27	43
LULUCF	4(II) Grassland on organic soils	CH_4		40	35	42	20	22
LULUCF	4(II) A. Forest land, organic soils	CH_4						47
LULUCF	4(II) Land converted to flooded land	CH_4						
LULUCF	4(II) Land converted to partly water covered land	CH_4		41	31		23	15
LULUCF	4(II) Peatland	CH_4						
LULUCF	4(V) Biomass Burning, Forest	CH_4						
LULUCF	4(V) Biomass Burning, Grassland	CH_4						
LULUCF	4(III) Mineralization/immobilization, Forest land	N_2O						
LULUCF	4(III) Mineralization/immobilization, Cropland	N_2O						
LULUCF	4(III) Mineralization/immobilization, Grassland	N_2O						
LULUCF	4(III) Mineralization/immobilization, Land converted to Settlements	N_2O						
LULUCF	4(V) Biomass burning, Forest	N_2O						
LULUCF	4(V) Biomass burning, Grassland	N_2O						
LULUCF	4(II) Drainage and rewetting, Forest soils	N_2O						
LULUCF	4(II) Peat extraction remaining peat extraction	N_2O						
Waste	5.E Accidental fires	CO_2				37	38	
Waste	5.A Solid waste disposal	CH_4	10	32	22	3	13	5
Waste	5.B.1 Composting	CH_4					33	29
Waste	5.B.2. Anaerobic digestion at biogas facilities	CH_4		21	16		25	20
Waste	5.C.1 Incineration of corpses	CH_4						
Waste	5.C.2 Incineration of carcasses	CH_4						
Waste	5.D.1 Municipal wastewater treatment	CH_4					32	38
Waste	5.D.1 Anaerobic treatment plants	CH_4						
Waste	5.D.1 Septic tanks	CH_4						
Waste	5.D.1 Municipal wastewater effluent	CH_4						
Waste	5.D.2 Industrial wastewater effluent	CH_4				30		34
Waste	5.E Accidental fires	CH_4						
Waste	5.B.1 Composting	N_2O					50	42
Waste	5.C.1 Incineration of corpses	N_2O						
Waste	5.C.2 Incineration of carcasses	N_2O						
Waste	5.D.1 Municipal wastewater treatment	N_2O		44		38	31	45
Waste	5.D.1 Municipal wastewater effluent	N_2O						
Waste	5.D.2 Industrial wastewater treatment	N_2O						
Waste	5.D.2 Industrial wastewater effluent	N_2O						

Table A1-3 Summary of KCA for Denmark, number of key source categories in each of the KCA.

	Level Approach 1 1990	Level Approach 1 2024	Trend Approach 1 1990-2024	Level Approach 2 1990	Level Approach 2 2024	Trend Approach 2 1990-2024
Excluding LULUCF	29	33	27	37	38	38
Including LULUCF	38	46	40	43	50	49

Table A1-4 KCA for Denmark, level assessment, base year excl. LULUCF, approach 1. This table is available at: https://envs.au.dk/en/research-areas/air-pollution-emissions-and-effects/air-emissions/greenhouse-gases/supporting-documentation

Table A1-5 KCA for Denmark, level assessment base year incl. LULUCF, approach 1. This table is available at: https://envs.au.dk/en/research-areas/air-pollution-emissions-and-effects/air-emissions/greenhouse-gases/supporting-documentation

Table A1-6 KCA for Denmark, level assessment 2024 excl. LULUCF, approach 1. This table is available at: https://envs.au.dk/en/research-areas/air-pollution-emissions-and-effects/air-emissions/greenhouse-gases/supporting-documentation

Table A1-7 KCA for Denmark, level assessment 2024 incl. LULUCF, approach 1. This table is available at: https://envs.au.dk/en/research-areas/air-pollution-emissions-and-effects/air-emissions/greenhouse-gases/supporting-documentation

Table A1-8 KCA for Denmark, trend assessment 1990-2024 excl. LULUCF, approach 1. This table is available at: https://envs.au.dk/en/research-areas/air-pollution-emissions-and-effects/air-emissions/greenhouse-gases/supporting-documentation

Table A1-9 KCA for Denmark, trend assessment 1990-2024 incl. LULUCF, approach 1. This table is available at: https://envs.au.dk/en/research-areas/air-pollution-emissions-and-effects/air-emissions/greenhouse-gases/supporting-documentation

Table A1-10 KCA for Denmark, level assessment base year excl. LULUCF, approach 2. This table is available at: https://envs.au.dk/en/research-areas/air-pollution-emissions-and-effects/air-emissions/greenhouse-gases/supporting-documentation

Table A1-11 KCA for Denmark, level assessment base year incl. LULUCF, approach 2. This table is available at: https://envs.au.dk/en/research-areas/air-pollution-emissions-and-effects/air-emissions/greenhouse-gases/supporting-documentation

Table A1-12 KCA for Denmark, level assessment 2024 excl. LULUCF, approach 2. This table is available at: https://envs.au.dk/en/research-areas/air-pollution-emissions-and-effects/air-emissions/greenhouse-gases/supporting-documentation

Table A1-13 KCA for Denmark, level assessment 2024 incl. LULUCF, approach 2. This table is available at: https://envs.au.dk/en/research-areas/air-pollution-emissions-and-effects/air-emissions/greenhouse-gases/supporting-documentation

Table A1-14 KCA for Denmark, trend assessment 1990-2024 excl. LULUCF, approach 2. This table is available at: https://envs.au.dk/en/research-areas/air-pollution-emissions-and-effects/air-emissions/greenhouse-gases/supporting-documentation

Table A1-15 KCA for Denmark, trend assessment 1990-2024 incl. LULUCF, approach 2. This table is available at: https://envs.au.dk/en/research-areas/air-pollution-emissions-and-effects/air-emissions/greenhouse-gases/supporting-documentation

Annex 2 - Assessment of uncertainty

Description of methodology used for identifying uncertainties

For the inventory of Denmark, the uncertainties are estimated using Approach 1 of the 2006 IPCC Guidelines.

More information and the results are provided in Chapter 1.7.

The underlying table, corresponding to Table 3.3 of volume 1 of the 2006 IPCC Guidelines, is very large and not suitable for incorporation in a text document. The table in Excel format can be found at:
https://envs.au.dk/en/research-areas/air-pollution-emissions-and-effects/air-emissions/greenhouse-gases/supporting-documentation

Annex 3 - Other detailed methodological descriptions for individual source or sink categories (where relevant)

Annex 3A – Stationary Combustion

Annex 3B – Transport and other mobile sources

Annex 3C – Industrial processes and product use

Annex 3D – Agriculture

Annex 3E – LULUCF

Annex 3F – Waste

Annex 3A - Stationary combustion

Annex 3A-1: Correspondence list between SNAP and CRT source categories

Annex 3A-2: Fuel rates

Annex 3A-3: Default Net Calorific Value (NCV) of fuels and fuel correspondence list

Annex 3A-4: Emission factors

Annex 3A-5: Large point sources

Annex 3A-6: Adjustment of CO_2 emissions

Annex 3A-7: Uncertainty estimates

Annex 3A-8: Emission inventory 2024 based on SNAP sectors

Annex 3A-1 Correspondence list between SNAP and CRT source categories

Table 3A-1.1 Correspondence list between SNAP and CRT source categories for stationary combustion.

	snap_name	CRT id	CRT name
010100	Public power	1A1a	Public electricity and heat production
010101	Combustion plants >= 300 MW (boilers)	1A1a	Public electricity and heat production
010102	Combustion plants >= 50 and < 300 MW (boilers)	1A1a	Public electricity and heat production
010103	Combustion plants < 50 MW (boilers)	1A1a	Public electricity and heat production
010104	Gas turbines	1A1a	Public electricity and heat production
010105	Stationary engines	1A1a	Public electricity and heat production
010200	District heating plants	1A1a	Public electricity and heat production
010201	Combustion plants >= 300 MW (boilers)	1A1a	Public electricity and heat production
010202	Combustion plants >= 50 and < 300 MW (boilers)	1A1a	Public electricity and heat production
010203	Combustion plants < 50 MW (boilers)	1A1a	Public electricity and heat production
010204	Gas turbines	1A1a	Public electricity and heat production
010205	Stationary engines	1A1a	Public electricity and heat production
010300	Petroleum refining plants	1A1b	Petroleum refining
010301	Combustion plants >= 300 MW (boilers)	1A1b	Petroleum refining
010302	Combustion plants >= 50 and < 300 MW (boilers)	1A1b	Petroleum refining
010303	Combustion plants < 50 MW (boilers)	1A1b	Petroleum refining
010304	Gas turbines	1A1b	Petroleum refining
010305	Stationary engines	1A1b	Petroleum refining
010306	Process furnaces	1A1b	Petroleum refining
010400	Solid fuel transformation plants	1A1c ii	Oil and gas extraction
010401	Combustion plants >= 300 MW (boilers)	1A1c ii	Oil and gas extraction
010402	Combustion plants >= 50 and < 300 MW (boilers)	1A1c ii	Oil and gas extraction
010403	Combustion plants < 50 MW (boilers)	1A1c ii	Oil and gas extraction
010404	Gas turbines	1A1c ii	Oil and gas extraction
010405	Stationary engines	1A1c ii	Oil and gas extraction
010406	Coke oven furnaces	1A1c ii	Oil and gas extraction
010407	Other (coal gasification, liquefaction)	1A1c ii	Oil and gas extraction
010500	Coal mining, oil / gas extraction, pipeline compressors	1A1c ii	Oil and gas extraction
010501	Combustion plants >= 300 MW (boilers)	1A1c ii	Oil and gas extraction
010502	Combustion plants >= 50 and < 300 MW (boilers)	1A1c ii	Oil and gas extraction
010503	Combustion plants < 50 MW (boilers)	1A1c ii	Oil and gas extraction
010504	Gas turbines	1A1c ii	Oil and gas extraction
010505	Stationary engines	1A1c ii	Oil and gas extraction
010506	Pipeline compressors	1A3e i	Pipeline transport
010510	Biogas upgrading plants	1A1c iii	Biogas upgrading
020100	Commercial and institutional plants	1A4a i	Commercial/institutional: Stationary
020101	Combustion plants >= 300 MW (boilers)	1A4a i	Commercial/institutional: Stationary
020102	Combustion plants >= 50 and < 300 MW (boilers)	1A4a i	Commercial/institutional: Stationary
020103	Combustion plants < 50 MW (boilers)	1A4a i	Commercial/institutional: Stationary
020104	Stationary gas turbines	1A4a i	Commercial/institutional: Stationary
020105	Stationary engines	1A4a i	Commercial/institutional: Stationary
020106	Other stationary equipment	1A4a i	Commercial/institutional: Stationary
020200	Residential plants	1A4b i	Residential: Stationary
020201	Combustion plants >= 50 MW (boilers)	1A4b i	Residential: Stationary
020202	Combustion plants < 50 MW (boilers)	1A4b i	Residential: Stationary
020203	Gas turbines	1A4b i	Residential: Stationary
020204	Stationary engines	1A4b i	Residential: Stationary
020205	Other equipment (stoves, fireplaces, cooking)	1A4b i	Residential: Stationary
020300	Plants in agriculture, forestry and aquaculture	1A4c i	Agriculture/Forestry/Fishing: Stationary
020301	Combustion plants >= 50 MW (boilers)	1A4c i	Agriculture/Forestry/Fishing: Stationary
020302	Combustion plants < 50 MW (boilers)	1A4c i	Agriculture/Forestry/Fishing: Stationary
020303	Stationary gas turbines	1A4c i	Agriculture/Forestry/Fishing: Stationary
020304	Stationary engines	1A4c i	Agriculture/Forestry/Fishing: Stationary
020305	Other stationary equipment	1A4c i	Agriculture/Forestry/Fishing: Stationary
030100	Comb. in boilers, gas turbines and stationary	1A2g viii	Other manufacturing industry
030101	Combustion plants >= 300 MW (boilers)	1A2g viii	Other manufacturing industry
030102	Combustion plants >= 50 and < 300 MW (boilers)	1A2g viii	Other manufacturing industry
030103	Combustion plants < 50 MW (boilers)	1A2g viii	Other manufacturing industry

	snap_name	CRT id	CRT name
030104	Gas turbines	1A2g viii	Other manufacturing industry
030105	Stationary engines	1A2g viii	Other manufacturing industry
030106	Other stationary equipment	1A2g viii	Other manufacturing industry
030200	Process furnaces without contact (a)	1A2g viii	Other manufacturing industry
030203	Blast furnace cowpers	1A2a	Iron and steel
030204	Plaster furnaces	1A2g viii	Other manufacturing industry
030205	Other furnaces	1A2g viii	Other manufacturing industry
030400	Iron and Steel	1A2a	Iron and steel
030401	Combustion plants >= 300 MW (boilers)	1A2a	Iron and steel
030402	Combustion plants >= 50 and < 300 MW (boilers)	1A2a	Iron and steel
030403	Combustion plants < 50 MW (boilers)	1A2a	Iron and steel
030404	Gas turbines	1A2a	Iron and steel
030405	Stationary engines	1A2a	Iron and steel
030406	Other stationary equipment	1A2a	Iron and steel
030500	Non-Ferrous Metals	1A2b	Non-ferrous metals
030501	Combustion plants >= 300 MW (boilers)	1A2b	Non-ferrous metals
030502	Combustion plants >= 50 and < 300 MW (boilers)	1A2b	Non-ferrous metals
030503	Combustion plants < 50 MW (boilers)	1A2b	Non-ferrous metals
030504	Gas turbines	1A2b	Non-ferrous metals
030505	Stationary engines	1A2b	Non-ferrous metals
030506	Other stationary equipment	1A2b	Non-ferrous metals
030600	Chemical and Petrochemical	1A2c	Chemicals
030601	Combustion plants >= 300 MW (boilers)	1A2c	Chemicals
030602	Combustion plants >= 50 and < 300 MW (boilers)	1A2c	Chemicals
030603	Combustion plants < 50 MW (boilers)	1A2c	Chemicals
030604	Gas turbines	1A2c	Chemicals
030605	Stationary engines	1A2c	Chemicals
030606	Other stationary equipment	1A2c	Chemicals
030700	Non-Metallic Minerals	1A2f	Non-metallic minerals
030701	Mineral wool	1A2f	Non-metallic minerals
030702	Glass	1A2f	Non-metallic minerals
030703	Tile	1A2f	Non-metallic minerals
030704	Gas turbines	1A2f	Non-metallic minerals
030705	Stationary engines	1A2f	Non-metallic minerals
030706	Other non-metallic minerals	1A2f	Non-metallic minerals
030800	Mining and Quarrying	1A2g viii	Other manufacturing industry
030801	Combustion plants >= 300 MW (boilers)	1A2g viii	Other manufacturing industry
030802	Combustion plants >= 50 and < 300 MW (boilers)	1A2g viii	Other manufacturing industry
030803	Combustion plants < 50 MW (boilers)	1A2g viii	Other manufacturing industry
030804	Gas turbines	1A2g viii	Other manufacturing industry
030805	Stationary engines	1A2g viii	Other manufacturing industry
030806	Other stationary equipment	1A2g viii	Other manufacturing industry
030900	Food and Tobacco	1A2e	Food processing, beverages and tobacco
030901	Combustion plants >= 300 MW (boilers)	1A2e	Food processing, beverages and tobacco
030902	Combustion plants >= 50 and < 300 MW (boilers)	1A2e	Food processing, beverages and tobacco
030903	Combustion plants < 50 MW (boilers)	1A2e	Food processing, beverages and tobacco
030904	Gas turbines	1A2e	Food processing, beverages and tobacco
030905	Stationary engines	1A2e	Food processing, beverages and tobacco
030906	Other stationary equipment	1A2e	Food processing, beverages and tobacco
031000	Textile and Leather	1A2g viii	Other manufacturing industry
031001	Combustion plants >= 300 MW (boilers)	1A2g viii	Other manufacturing industry
031002	Combustion plants >= 50 and < 300 MW (boilers)	1A2g viii	Other manufacturing industry
031003	Combustion plants < 50 MW (boilers)	1A2g viii	Other manufacturing industry
031004	Gas turbines	1A2g viii	Other manufacturing industry
031005	Stationary engines	1A2g viii	Other manufacturing industry
031006	Other stationary equipment	1A2g viii	Other manufacturing industry
031100	Paper, Pulp and Print	1A2d	Pulp, Paper and Print
031101	Combustion plants >= 300 MW (boilers)	1A2d	Pulp, Paper and Print
031102	Combustion plants >= 50 and < 300 MW (boilers)	1A2d	Pulp, Paper and Print
031103	Combustion plants < 50 MW (boilers)	1A2d	Pulp, Paper and Print
031104	Gas turbines	1A2d	Pulp, Paper and Print
031105	Stationary engines	1A2d	Pulp, Paper and Print
031106	Other stationary equipment	1A2d	Pulp, Paper and Print

	snap_name	CRT id	CRT name
031200	Transport Equipment	1A2g viii	Other manufacturing industry
031201	Combustion plants >= 300 MW (boilers)	1A2g viii	Other manufacturing industry
031202	Combustion plants >= 50 and < 300 MW (boilers)	1A2g viii	Other manufacturing industry
031203	Combustion plants < 50 MW (boilers)	1A2g viii	Other manufacturing industry
031204	Gas turbines	1A2g viii	Other manufacturing industry
031205	Stationary engines	1A2g viii	Other manufacturing industry
031206	Other stationary equipment	1A2g viii	Other manufacturing industry
031300	Machinery	1A2g viii	Other manufacturing industry
031301	Combustion plants >= 300 MW (boilers)	1A2g viii	Other manufacturing industry
031302	Combustion plants >= 50 and < 300 MW (boilers)	1A2g viii	Other manufacturing industry
031303	Combustion plants < 50 MW (boilers)	1A2g viii	Other manufacturing industry
031304	Gas turbines	1A2g viii	Other manufacturing industry
031305	Stationary engines	1A2g viii	Other manufacturing industry
031306	Other stationary equipment	1A2g viii	Other manufacturing industry
031400	Wood and Wood Products	1A2g viii	Other manufacturing industry
031401	Combustion plants >= 300 MW (boilers)	1A2g viii	Other manufacturing industry
031402	Combustion plants >= 50 and < 300 MW (boilers)	1A2g viii	Other manufacturing industry
031403	Combustion plants < 50 MW (boilers)	1A2g viii	Other manufacturing industry
031404	Gas turbines	1A2g viii	Other manufacturing industry
031405	Stationary engines	1A2g viii	Other manufacturing industry
031406	Other stationary equipment	1A2g viii	Other manufacturing industry
031500	Construction	1A2g viii	Other manufacturing industry
031501	Combustion plants >= 300 MW (boilers)	1A2g viii	Other manufacturing industry
031502	Combustion plants >= 50 and < 300 MW (boilers)	1A2g viii	Other manufacturing industry
031503	Combustion plants < 50 MW (boilers)	1A2g viii	Other manufacturing industry
031504	Gas turbines	1A2g viii	Other manufacturing industry
031505	Stationary engines	1A2g viii	Other manufacturing industry
031506	Other stationary equipment	1A2g viii	Other manufacturing industry
031600	Cement production	1A2f	Non-metallic minerals
031601	Combustion plants >= 300 MW (boilers)	1A2f	Non-metallic minerals
031602	Combustion plants >= 50 and < 300 MW (boilers)	1A2f	Non-metallic minerals
031603	Combustion plants < 50 MW (boilers)	1A2f	Non-metallic minerals
031604	Gas turbines	1A2f	Non-metallic minerals
031605	Stationary engines	1A2f	Non-metallic minerals
031606	Other stationary equipment	1A2f	Non-metallic minerals
032000	Non-specified (Industry)	1A2g viii	Other manufacturing industry
032001	Combustion plants >= 300 MW (boilers)	1A2g viii	Other manufacturing industry
032002	Combustion plants >= 50 and < 300 MW (boilers)	1A2g viii	Other manufacturing industry
032003	Combustion plants < 50 MW (boilers)	1A2g viii	Other manufacturing industry
032004	Gas turbines	1A2g viii	Other manufacturing industry
032005	Stationary engines	1A2g viii	Other manufacturing industry
032006	Other stationary equipments	1A2g viii	Other manufacturing industry

Annex 3A-2 Fuel rates

Table 3A-2.1 Fuel consumption rate for stationary combustion plants 1990-2024, PJ.

Sum of Fuel_rate_PJ			Year									
Fuel type	**Fuel id**	**Fuel**	**1990**	**1991**	**1992**	**1993**	**1994**	**1995**	**1996**	**1997**	**1998**	**1999**
SOLID	101A	Other solid fossil										
	102A	Coal	253.4	344.3	286.8	300.8	323.4	270.3	371.9	276.3	234.3	196.5
	103A	Fly ash (fossil)										
	106A	BKB	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0
	107A	Coke oven coke	1.3	1.4	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.3	1.2	1.3	1.3	1.4
LIQUID	110A	Petroleum coke	4.5	4.4	4.3	5.7	7.5	5.3	5.9	6.0	5.3	6.8
	203A	Residual oil	32.1	37.0	37.3	32.5	46.6	33.3	38.1	26.7	29.5	23.0
	204A	Gas oil	73.5	76.8	67.3	73.1	64.2	64.3	67.9	61.1	57.8	56.8
	206A	Kerosene	5.1	1.0	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.3
	225A	Orimulsion						19.9	36.8	40.5	32.6	34.2
	303A	LPG	3.0	2.8	2.5	2.6	2.6	2.8	3.1	2.6	2.8	2.5
	308A	Refinery gas	14.2	14.5	14.9	15.4	16.4	20.8	21.4	16.9	15.2	15.7
GAS	301A	Natural gas	76.1	86.1	90.5	102.5	114.6	132.7	156.3	164.5	178.7	187.9
WASTE	114A	Waste	15.5	16.7	17.8	19.4	20.3	22.9	25.0	26.8	26.6	29.1
	115A	Industrial waste										
BIOMASS	111A	Wood	16.7	17.9	18.6	20.1	19.7	19.5	20.7	20.5	19.7	20.3
	117A	Straw	12.5	13.3	13.9	13.4	12.7	13.1	13.5	13.9	13.9	13.7
		Wood pellets	1.6	2.1	2.5	2.1	2.1	2.3	2.7	2.9	3.2	4.0
	215A	Bio oil	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.2	0.3	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0
	309A	Biogas	0.8	0.9	0.9	1.1	1.3	1.8	2.0	2.4	2.7	2.7
	310A	Bio gasification gas					0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
	315A	Biomethane										
Total			**511.0**	**620.3**	**560.1**	**591.5**	**633.8**	**611.2**	**767.1**	**662.9**	**624.1**	**595.0**
Sum of Fuel_rate_PJ			Year									
Fuel type	**Fuel id**	**Fuel**	**2000**	**2001**	**2002**	**2003**	**2004**	**2005**	**2006**	**2007**	**2008**	**2009**
SOLID	101A	Other solid fossil										0.0
	102A	Coal	164.7	174.3	174.7	239.0	182.5	154.0	232.0	194.1	170.5	167.7
	103A	Fly ash (fossil)										
	106A	BKB	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0					0.0	0.0
	107A	Coke oven coke	1.2	1.1	1.1	1.0	1.1	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.0	0.8
LIQUID	110A	Petroleum coke	6.8	7.8	7.8	8.0	8.4	8.1	8.5	9.2	6.9	5.9
	203A	Residual oil	18.0	20.2	24.8	27.3	23.5	21.1	25.4	19.3	15.3	14.2
	204A	Gas oil	50.0	52.2	47.1	47.1	44.0	40.0	35.3	30.9	30.4	32.5
	206A	Kerosene	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1
	225A	Orimulsion	34.1	30.2	23.8	1.9	0.0					
	303A	LPG	2.4	2.1	2.0	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.2	1.9	1.7	1.5
	308A	Refinery gas	15.6	15.8	15.2	16.6	15.9	15.3	16.1	15.9	14.1	15.0
GAS	301A	Natural gas	186.1	193.8	193.6	195.9	195.1	187.4	191.1	171.0	173.0	165.7
WASTE	114A	Waste	29.8	31.3	33.3	35.1	35.3	35.8	37.8	38.9	40.1	38.1
	115A	Industrial waste	0.5	1.4	1.9	1.5	2.0	2.0	0.6	0.9	1.4	1.2
BIOMASS	111A	Wood	22.3	23.7	23.7	29.1	31.1	33.7	36.5	43.8	45.1	45.9
	117A	Straw	12.2	13.7	15.7	16.9	17.9	18.5	18.5	18.8	15.9	17.4
		Wood pellets	5.1	7.1	7.9	9.8	12.8	16.1	15.6	16.5	18.5	20.1
	215A	Bio oil	0.0	0.2	0.1	0.4	0.6	0.8	1.1	1.2	1.8	1.7
	309A	Biogas	2.9	3.0	3.4	3.6	3.7	3.8	3.9	3.9	3.9	4.2
	310A	Bio gasification gas	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.3
	315A	Biomethane										
Total			**552.3**	**578.5**	**576.2**	**635.6**	**576.4**	**540.0**	**626.0**	**567.4**	**539.9**	**532.3**

Sum of Fuel_rate_PJ			Year									
Fuel type	**Fuel id**	**Fuel**	**2010**	**2011**	**2012**	**2013**	**2014**	**2015**	**2016**	**2017**	**2018**	**2019**
SOLID	101A	Other solid fossil	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0						
	102A	Coal	163.0	135.5	106.2	135.0	107.0	76.0	88.2	65.8	67.2	37.8
	103A	Fly ash (fossil)		0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0
	106A	BKB	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0			
	107A	Coke oven coke	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.3
LIQUID	110A	Petroleum coke	5.1	6.5	6.7	6.1	6.6	6.6	7.6	7.9	6.9	7.7
	203A	Residual oil	12.8	7.8	7.2	5.5	4.5	4.2	4.1	4.1	3.2	3.0
	204A	Gas oil	31.8	25.5	21.7	20.0	13.1	13.9	14.0	12.2	13.5	10.4
	206A	Kerosene	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.2
	225A	Orimulsion										
	303A	LPG	1.6	1.5	1.7	1.6	1.3	1.8	2.1	2.3	2.3	2.3
	308A	Refinery gas	14.3	13.7	14.8	14.8	15.4	16.2	14.4	15.6	15.0	16.1
GAS	301A	Natural gas	185.7	157.3	147.1	139.3	119.3	120.6	122.5	116.5	113.1	105.5
WASTE	114A	Waste	37.2	37.1	36.1	35.9	37.1	37.7	37.8	38.1	37.7	38.7
	115A	Industrial waste	0.9	1.3	1.2	1.6	1.6	2.2	2.6	2.7	3.4	3.1
BIOMASS	111A	Wood	51.3	48.8	48.6	46.4	45.0	50.1	51.6	51.6	52.7	52.3
	117A	Straw	23.3	20.2	18.3	20.3	18.6	19.8	19.7	20.2	17.6	18.0
	122A	Wood pellets	29.9	30.0	33.2	35.0	36.3	36.5	44.3	57.4	55.2	53.3
	215A	Bio oil	2.0	0.8	1.1	0.9	0.7	0.6	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.1
	309A	Biogas	4.3	4.1	4.4	4.6	5.2	5.3	5.9	5.8	6.3	6.9
	310A	Bio gasification gas	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.1	0.4	0.5	0.5	1.0	1.4	1.5
	315A	Biomethane					0.3	1.0	3.1	5.2	7.1	9.4
Total			**564.3**	**491.3**	**449.5**	**467.6**	**413.2**	**393.6**	**419.0**	**407.0**	**403.4**	**366.8**

Sum of Fuel_rate_PJ			Year				
Fuel type	**Fuel id**	**Fuel**	**2020**	**2021**	**2022**	**2023**	**2024**
SOLID	101A	Other solid fossil					
	102A	Coal	33.2	44.3	43.5	27.7	17.7
	103A	Fly ash (fossil)	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1
	106A	BKB					
	107A	Coke oven coke	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.2
LIQUID	110A	Petroleum coke	7.9	6.9	7.3	4.0	3.7
	203A	Residual oil	3.1	2.7	3.1	2.1	1.3
	204A	Gas oil	9.5	11.6	16.9	12.9	10.6
	206A	Kerosene	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
	225A	Orimulsion					
	303A	LPG	2.3	2.7	3.4	3.6	3.1
	308A	Refinery gas	15.3	15.7	14.7	15.1	14.2
GAS	301A	Natural gas	85.3	85.6	59.7	55.6	58.8
WASTE	114A	Waste	39.6	39.6	40.0	39.3	40.8
	115A	Industrial waste	3.4	2.8	2.5	2.2	2.0
BIOMASS	111A	Wood	57.6	62.8	60.3	62.7	62.3
	117A	Straw	18.9	21.6	21.1	21.7	19.7
	122A	Wood pellets	47.2	66.2	47.1	43.9	52.6
	215A	Bio oil	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2
	309A	Biogas	6.7	6.5	6.3	5.7	5.5
	310A	Bio gasification gas	1.6	1.7	1.7	1.9	1.7
	315A	Biomethane	13.5	19.6	22.5	25.5	26.0
Total			**345.5**	**390.9**	**350.5**	**324.2**	**320.4**

Table 3A-2.2 Detailed fuel consumption data for stationary combustion plants, 1990-2024, PJ.
This table is available at: https://envs.au.dk/en/research-areas/air-pollution-emissions-and-effects/air-emissions/greenhouse-gases/supporting-documentation

Annex 3A-3 Default Net Calorific Value (NCV) of fuels and fuel correspondence list

Table 3A-3.1 Time series for net calorific values of fuels (DEA, 2025a).

		1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
Crude Oil, Average	GJ / ton	42.4	42.4	42.4	42.7	42.7	42.7	42.7	43.00	43.00	43.00
Crude Oil, Gulf	GJ / ton	41.8	41.8	41.8	41.8	41.8	41.8	41.8	41.8	41.8	41.8
Crude Oil, North Sea	GJ / ton	42.7	42.7	42.7	42.7	42.7	42.7	42.7	43.0	43.0	43.0
Refinery Feedstocks	GJ / ton	41.6	41.6	41.6	41.6	41.6	41.6	41.6	42.7	42.7	42.7
Refinery Gas	GJ / ton	52.0	52.0	52.0	52.0	52.0	52.0	52.0	52.0	52.0	52.0
LPG	GJ / ton	46.0	46.0	46.0	46.0	46.0	46.0	46.0	46.0	46.0	46.0
Naphtha (LVN)	GJ / ton	44.5	44.5	44.5	44.5	44.5	44.5	44.5	44.5	44.5	44.5
Motor Gasoline	GJ / ton	43.8	43.8	43.8	43.8	43.8	43.8	43.8	43.8	43.8	43.8
Aviation Gasoline	GJ / ton	43.8	43.8	43.8	43.8	43.8	43.8	43.8	43.8	43.8	43.8
JP4	GJ / ton	43.8	43.8	43.8	43.8	43.8	43.8	43.8	43.8	43.8	43.8
Other Kerosene	GJ / ton	43.5	43.5	43.5	43.5	43.5	43.5	43.5	43.5	43.5	43.5
JP1	GJ / ton	43.5	43.5	43.5	43.5	43.5	43.5	43.5	43.5	43.5	43.5
Gas-/Diesel Oil	GJ / ton	42.7	42.7	42.7	42.7	42.7	42.7	42.7	42.7	42.7	42.7
Fuel Oil	GJ / ton	40.4	40.4	40.4	40.4	40.4	40.4	40.7	40.65	40.65	40.65
Orimulsion	GJ / ton	27.6	27.6	27.6	27.6	27.6	28.13	28.02	27.72	27.84	27.58
Petroleum Coke	GJ / ton	31.4	31.4	31.4	31.4	31.4	31.4	31.4	31.4	31.4	31.4
Waste Oil	GJ / ton	41.9	41.9	41.9	41.9	41.9	41.9	41.9	41.9	41.9	41.9
White Spirit	GJ / ton	43.5	43.5	43.5	43.5	43.5	43.5	43.5	43.5	43.5	43.5
Bitumen	GJ / ton	39.8	39.8	39.8	39.8	39.8	39.8	39.8	39.8	39.8	39.8
Lubricants	GJ / ton	41.9	41.9	41.9	41.9	41.9	41.9	41.9	41.9	41.9	41.9
Natural Gas	GJ / 1000 Nm^3	39.0	39.0	39.0	39.3	39.3	39.3	39.3	39.6	39.9	40.0
Natural Gas/North Sea	GJ / 1000 Nm^3										
Gas Works Gas	GJ / 1000 m^3							17.0	17.0	17.0	17.0
LNG	GJ / 1000 m^3										
Electricity Plant Coal	GJ / ton	25.3	25.4	25.8	25.2	24.5	24.5	24.7	24.96	25.0	25.0
Other Hard Coal (Coal)	GJ / ton	26.1	26.5	26.5	26.5	26.5	26.5	26.5	26.5	26.5	26.5
Coke	GJ / ton	31.8	29.3	29.3	29.3	29.3	29.3	29.3	29.3	29.3	29.3
Brown Coal Briquettes	GJ / ton	18.3	18.3	18.3	18.3	18.3	18.3	18.3	18.3	18.3	18.3
Straw	GJ / ton	14.5	14.5	14.5	14.5	14.5	14.5	14.5	14.5	14.5	14.5
Wood Chips	GJ / m^3 loose volume	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8
	GJ / ton	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3
Firewood, Hardwood	GJ / m^3	10.4	10.4	10.4	10.4	10.4	10.4	10.4	10.4	10.4	10.4
Firewood, Conifer	GJ / m^3	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.6
Wood Pellets	GJ / ton	17.5	17.5	17.5	17.5	17.5	17.5	17.5	17.5	17.5	17.5
Wood Waste	GJ / m^3 loose volume	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.2
	GJ / ton	14.7	14.7	14.7	14.7	14.7	14.7	14.7	14.7	14.7	14.7
Biogas	GJ / 1000 m^3								23.0	23.0	23.0
Wastes	GJ / ton	8.2	8.2	9.0	9.4	9.4	10.0	10.5	10.5	10.5	10.5
Bioethanol	GJ / ton	26.7	26.7	26.7	26.7	26.7	26.7	26.7	26.7	26.7	26.7
Biodiesel	GJ / ton	37.6	37.6	37.6	37.6	37.6	37.6	37.6	37.6	37.6	37.6
Biooil	GJ / ton	37.2	37.2	37.2	37.2	37.2	37.2	37.2	37.2	37.2	37.2

Continued		2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Crude Oil, Average	GJ / ton	43.00	43.00	43.00	43.00	43.00	43.00	43.00	43.00	43.00	43.00
Crude Oil, Gulf	GJ / ton	41.8	41.8	41.8	41.8	41.8	41.8	41.8	41.8	41.8	41.8
Crude Oil, North Sea	GJ / ton	43.0	43.0	43.0	43.0	43.0	43.0	43.0	43.0	43.0	43.0
Refinery Feedstocks	GJ / ton	42.7	42.7	42.7	42.7	42.7	42.7	42.7	42.7	42.7	42.7
Refinery Gas	GJ / ton	52.0	52.0	52.0	52.0	52.0	52.0	52.0	52.0	52.0	52.0
LPG	GJ / ton	46.0	46.0	46.0	46.0	46.0	46.0	46.0	46.0	46.0	46.0
Naphtha (LVN)	GJ / ton	44.5	44.5	44.5	44.5	44.5	44.5	44.5	44.5	44.5	44.5
Motor Gasoline	GJ / ton	43.8	43.8	43.8	43.8	43.8	43.8	43.8	43.8	43.8	43.8
Aviation Gasoline	GJ / ton	43.8	43.8	43.8	43.8	43.8	43.8	43.8	43.8	43.8	43.8
JP4	GJ / ton	43.8	43.8	43.8	43.8	43.8	43.8	43.8	43.8	43.8	43.8
Other Kerosene	GJ / ton	43.5	43.5	43.5	43.5	43.5	43.5	43.5	43.5	43.5	43.5
JP1	GJ / ton	43.5	43.5	43.5	43.5	43.5	43.5	43.5	43.5	43.5	43.5
Gas-/Diesel Oil	GJ / ton	42.7	42.7	42.7	42.7	42.7	42.7	42.7	42.7	42.7	42.7
Fuel Oil	GJ / ton	40.65	40.65	40.65	40.65	40.65	40.65	40.65	40.65	40.65	40.65
Orimulsion	GJ / ton	27.62	27.64	27.71	27.65	27.65	27.65	27.65	27.65	27.65	27.65
Petroleum Coke	GJ / ton	31.4	31.4	31.4	31.4	31.4	31.4	31.4	31.4	31.4	31.4
Waste Oil	GJ / ton	41.9	41.9	41.9	41.9	41.9	41.9	41.9	41.9	41.9	41.9
White Spirit	GJ / ton	43.5	43.5	43.5	43.5	43.5	43.5	43.5	43.5	43.5	43.5
Bitumen	GJ / ton	39.8	39.8	39.8	39.8	39.8	39.8	39.8	39.8	39.8	39.8
Lubricants	GJ / ton	41.9	41.9	41.9	41.9	41.9	41.9	41.9	41.9	41.9	41.9
Natural Gas	GJ / 1000 Nm^3	40.15	39.99	40.06	39.94	39.77	39.67	39.54	39.59	39.48	39.46
Natural Gas/North Sea	GJ / 1000 Nm^3										
Gas Works Gas	GJ / 1000 m^3	17.01	16.88	17.39	16.879	17.582	17.506	17.202	17.138	15.498	21.292
LNG	GJ / 1000 m^3										
Electricity Plant Coal	GJ / ton	24.8	24.9	25.15	24.728	24.6	24.4	24.8	24.4	24.3	24.6
Other Hard Coal (Coal)	GJ / ton	26.5	26.5	26.5	26.5	26.5	26.5	26.5	26.5	25.81	25.13
Coke	GJ / ton	29.3	29.3	29.3	29.3	29.3	29.3	29.3	29.3	29.3	29.3
Brown Coal Briquettes	GJ / ton	18.3	18.3	18.3	18.3	18.3	18.3	18.3	18.3	18.3	18.3
Straw	GJ / ton	14.5	14.5	14.5	14.5	14.5	14.5	14.5	14.5	14.5	14.5
Wood Chips	GJ / m^3 loose volume	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8
	GJ / ton	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3
Firewood, Hardwood	GJ / m^3	10.4	10.4	10.4	10.4	10.4	10.4	10.4	10.4	10.4	10.4
Firewood, Conifer	GJ / m^3	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.6
Wood Pellets	GJ / ton	17.5	17.5	17.5	17.5	17.5	17.5	17.5	17.5	17.5	17.5
Wood Waste	GJ / m^3 loose volume	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.2
	GJ / ton	14.7	14.7	14.7	14.7	14.7	14.7	14.7	14.7	14.7	14.7
Biogas	GJ / 1000 m^3	23.0	23.0	23.0	23.0	23.0	23.0	23.0	23.0	23.0	23.0
Wastes	GJ / ton	10.5	10.5	10.5	10.5	10.5	10.5	10.5	10.5	10.5	10.5
Bioethanol	GJ / ton	26.7	26.7	26.7	26.7	26.7	26.7	26.7	26.7	26.7	26.7
Biodiesel	GJ / ton	37.6	37.6	37.6	37.6	37.6	37.6	37.6	37.6	37.5	37.5
Biooil	GJ / ton	37.2	37.2	37.2	37.2	37.2	37.2	37.2	37.2	37.2	37.2

Continued		2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Crude Oil, Average	GJ / ton	43.00	43.00	43.00	43.00	43.00	43.00	43.00	43.00	43.00	43.00
Crude Oil, Gulf	GJ / ton	41.8	41.8	41.8	41.8	41.8	41.8	41.8	41.8	41.8	41.8
Crude Oil, North Sea	GJ / ton	43.0	43.0	43.0	43.0	43.0	43.0	43.0	43.0	43.0	43.0
Refinery Feedstocks	GJ / ton	42.7	42.7	42.7	42.7	42.7	42.7	42.7	42.7	42.7	42.7
Refinery Gas	GJ / ton	52.0	52.0	52.0	52.0	52.0	52.0	52.0	52.0	52.0	52.0
LPG	GJ / ton	46.0	46.0	46.0	46.0	46.0	46.0	46.0	46.0	46.0	46.0
Naphtha (LVN)	GJ / ton	44.5	44.5	44.5	44.5	44.5	44.5	44.5	44.5	44.5	44.5
Motor Gasoline	GJ / ton	43.8	43.8	43.8	43.8	43.8	43.8	43.8	43.8	43.8	43.8
Aviation Gasoline	GJ / ton	43.8	43.8	43.8	43.8	43.8	43.8	43.8	43.8	43.8	43.8
JP4	GJ / ton	43.8	43.8	43.8	43.8	43.8	43.8	43.8	43.8	43.8	43.8
Other Kerosene	GJ / ton	43.5	43.5	43.5	43.5	43.5	43.5	43.5	43.5	43.5	43.5
JP1	GJ / ton	43.5	43.5	43.5	43.5	43.5	43.5	43.5	43.5	43.5	43.5
Gas-/Diesel Oil	GJ / ton	42.7	42.7	42.7	42.7	42.7	42.7	42.7	42.7	42.7	42.7
Fuel Oil	GJ / ton	40.65	40.65	40.65	40.65	40.65	40.65	40.65	40.65	40.65	40.65
Orimulsion	GJ / ton	27.65	27.65	27.65	27.65	27.65	27.65	27.65	27.65	27.65	27.65
Petroleum Coke	GJ / ton	31.4	31.4	31.4	31.4	31.4	31.4	31.4	31.4	31.4	31.4
Waste Oil	GJ / ton	41.9	41.9	41.9	41.9	41.9	41.9	41.9	41.9	41.9	41.9
White Spirit	GJ / ton	43.5	43.5	43.5	43.5	43.5	43.5	43.5	43.5	43.5	43.5
Bitumen	GJ / ton	39.8	39.8	39.8	39.8	39.8	39.8	39.8	39.8	39.8	39.8
Lubricants	GJ / ton	41.9	41.9	41.9	41.9	41.9	41.9	41.9	41.9	41.9	41.9
Natural Gas	GJ / 1000 Nm^3	39.46	39.51	39.548	38.988	39.532	39.635	39.632	39.655	39.586	38.812
Natural Gas/North Sea	GJ / 1000 Nm^3										
Gas Works Gas	GJ / 1000 m^3	21.347	21.369	19.3	19.309	20.2	19.796	20.276	20.8	20.82	20.800
LNG	GJ / 1000 m^3						26.5	26.5	26.5	26.5	26.5
Electricity Plant Coal	GJ / ton	24.44	24.38	24.23	24.49	24.7	24.1	24.29	24.33	24.134	23.890
Other Hard Coal (Coal)	GJ / ton	24.44	24.38	24.23	24.49	24.7	24.1	26.1	26.88	26.642	24.170
Coke	GJ / ton	29.3	29.3	29.3	29.3	29.3	29.3	29.3	29.3	29.3	29.3
Brown Coal Briquettes	GJ / ton	18.3	18.3	18.3	18.3	18.3	18.3	18.3	18.3	18.3	18.3
Straw	GJ / ton	14.5	14.5	14.5	14.5	14.5	14.5	14.5	14.5	14.5	14.5
	GJ / m^3 loose	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8
Wood Chips	volume										
	GJ / ton	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3
Firewood, Hardwood	GJ / m^3	10.4	10.4	10.4	10.4	10.4	10.4	10.4	10.4	10.4	10.4
Firewood, Conifer	GJ / m^3	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.6
Wood Pellets	GJ / ton	17.5	17.5	17.5	17.5	17.5	17.5	17.5	17.5	17.5	17.5
	GJ / m^3 loose	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.2
Wood Waste	volume										
	GJ / ton	14.7	14.7	14.7	14.7	14.7	14.7	14.7	14.7	14.7	14.7
Biogas	GJ / 1000 m^3	23.0	23.0	23.0	23.0	23.0	23.0	23.0	23.0	23.0	23.0
Wastes	GJ / ton	10.5	10.5	10.5	10.6	10.6	10.6	10.6	10.6	10.82	11.04
Bioethanol	GJ / ton	26.7	26.7	26.7	26.7	26.7	26.7	26.7	26.7	26.7	26.7
Biodiesel	GJ / ton	37.5	37.5	37.5	37.5	37.5	37.5	37.5	37.5	37.5	37.5
Biooil	GJ / ton	37.2	37.2	37.2	37.2	37.2	37.2	37.2	37.2	37.2	37.2

Continued		2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Crude Oil, Average	GJ / ton	43.00	43.00	43.00	43.00	43.00
Crude Oil, Gulf	GJ / ton	41.8	41.8	41.8	41.8	41.8
Crude Oil, North Sea	GJ / ton	43.0	43.0	43.0	43.0	43.0
Refinery Feedstocks	GJ / ton	42.7	42.7	42.7	42.7	42.7
Refinery Gas	GJ / ton	52.0	52.0	52.0	52.0	52.0
LPG	GJ / ton	46.0	46.0	46.0	46.0	46.0
Naphtha (LVN)	GJ / ton	44.5	44.5	44.5	44.5	44.5
Motor Gasoline	GJ / ton	43.8	43.8	43.8	43.8	43.8
Aviation Gasoline	GJ / ton	43.8	43.8	43.8	43.8	43.8
JP4	GJ / ton	43.8	43.8	43.8	43.8	43.8
Other Kerosene	GJ / ton	43.5	43.5	43.5	43.5	43.5
JP1	GJ / ton	43.5	43.5	43.5	43.5	43.5
Gas-/Diesel Oil	GJ / ton	42.7	42.7	42.7	42.7	42.7
Fuel Oil	GJ / ton	40.65	40.65	40.65	40.65	40.65
Orimulsion	GJ / ton	27.65	27.65	27.65	27.65	27.65
Petroleum Coke	GJ / ton	31.4	31.4	31.4	31.4	31.4
Waste Oil	GJ / ton	41.9	41.9	41.9	41.9	41.9
White Spirit	GJ / ton	43.5	43.5	43.5	43.5	43.5
Bitumen	GJ / ton	39.8	39.8	39.8	39.8	39.8
Lubricants	GJ / ton	41.9	41.9	41.9	41.9	41.9
Natural Gas	GJ / 1000 Nm^3	36.700	36.620	37.407	38.026	37.949
Natural Gas/North Sea	GJ / 1000 Nm^3		40.940	41.645	38.542	41.717
Gas Works Gas	GJ / 1000 m^3	20.782	20.84	20.84	20.84	20.84
LNG	GJ / 1000 m^3	26.5	26.5	26.5	26.5	26.5
Electricity Plant Coal	GJ / ton	24.090	23.960	23.752	23.493	23.51
Other Hard Coal (Coal)	GJ / ton	25.630	25.420	26.031	23.864	23.696
Coke	GJ / ton	29.3	29.3	29.3	29.3	29.3
Brown Coal Briquettes	GJ / ton	18.3	18.3	18.3	18.3	18.3
Straw	GJ / ton	14.5	14.5	14.5	14.5	14.5
Wood Chips	GJ / m^3 loose volume	2.8	2.8	3.13	3.13	3.13
	GJ / ton	9.3	9.3	10.4	10.4	10.4
Firewood, Hardwood	GJ / m^3	10.4	10.4	10.4	10.4	10.4
Firewood, Conifer	GJ / m^3	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.6
Wood Pellets	GJ / ton	17.5	17.5	17.5	17.5	17.5
Wood Waste	GJ / m^3 loose volume	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.2
	GJ / ton	14.7	14.7	14.7	14.7	14.7
Biogas	GJ / 1000 m^3	23.0	23.0	23.0	23.0	23.0
Wastes	GJ / ton	11.26	11.48	11.7	11.7	11.7
Bioethanol	GJ / ton	26.7	26.7	26.7	26.7	26.7
Biodiesel	GJ / ton	37.5	37.5	37.5	37.5	37.5
Biooil	GJ / ton	37.2	37.2	37.2	37.2	37.2

Table 3A-3.2 Fuel category correspondence list, DEA, DCE and Climate Convention reporting (CRT).

Danish Energy Agency	DCE Emission database	IPCC fuel category
Other Hard Coal	Coal	Solid
Coke	Coke oven coke	Solid
Electricity Plant Coal	Coal	Solid
Brown Coal Briquettes	BKB	Solid
-	Other solid fossil	Solid
-	Fly ash fossil	Solid
Orimulsion	Orimulsion	Liquid
Petroleum Coke	Petroleum coke	Liquid
Fuel Oil	Residual oil	Liquid
Waste Oil	Residual oil	Liquid
Gas/Diesel Oil	Gas oil	Liquid
Other Kerosene	Kerosene	Liquid
LPG	LPG	Liquid
Refinery Gas	Refinery gas	Liquid
Gas Works Gas	Natural gas	Gas
Natural Gas	Natural gas	Gas
Straw	Straw	Biomass
Wood Waste	Wood	Biomass
Wood Pellets	Wood pellets	Biomass
Wood Chips	Wood	Biomass
Firewood	Wood	Biomass
Wastes, Renewable	Municipal wastes	Biomass
Biooil	Liquid biofuels	Biomass
Biogas	Biogas	Biomass
(Wood applied in gas engines)	Biomass gasification gas	Biomass
Bio methane	Biomethane	Biomass
Biogas distributed in the town gas grid	Biogas	Biomass
Wastes, Non-renewable	Fossil waste	Other fuel

Annex 3A-4 Emission factors

Table 3A-4.1 CO_2 emission factors, 2024.

Fuel	Emission factor, kg per GJ		Reference type	IPCC fuel category
	Biomass	Fossil fuel		
Coal	-	95.13 [1)]	Country specific	Solid
Brown coal briquettes	-	97.5	IPCC (2006)	Solid
Coke oven coke	-	107 [3)]	IPCC (2006)	Solid
Other solid fossil fuels [6)]	-	118 [1)]	Country specific	Solid
Fly ash fossil (from coal)	-	95.13	Country specific	Solid
Petroleum coke	-	93 [3)]	Country-specific	Liquid
Residual oil	-	78.62 [1)]	Country-specific	Liquid
Gas oil	-	74.1 [1)]	Country-specific	Liquid
Kerosene	-	71.9	IPCC (2006)	Liquid
Orimulsion	-	80 [2)]	Country-specific	Liquid
LPG	-	64.8	Country-specific	Liquid
Refinery gas	-	56.894	Country-specific	Liquid
Natural gas, offshore gas turbines	-	57.460	Country-specific	Gas
Natural gas, other [7)]	-	57.10	Country-specific	Gas
Waste	47.4 [3)4)]	+ 46.1[1)3)4)]	Country-specific	Biomass and Other fuels
Industrial waste	47.4 [3)4)]	+ 46.1[1)3)4)]	Country-specific	Biomass and Other fuels
Straw	100	-	Country-specific	Biomass
Wood (national average 2024 for fire-wood, wood chips and wood waste)	103.348	-	Country-specific	Biomass
Wood pellets	97.4	-	Country-specific	Biomass
Bio oil	70.8	-	IPCC (2006)	Biomass
Biogas	81.9	-	Country-specific	Biomass
Biomass gasification gas	142.9[5)]	-	Country-specific	Biomass
Biomethane [7)]	54.9	-	Country-specific	Biomass

1) Plant specific data from EU ETS incorporated for individual plants.

2) Not applied in 2024. Orimulsion was applied in Denmark in 1995 – 2004.

3) Plant specific data from EU ETS incorporated for cement production, sugar, lime and mineral wool production.

4) The emission factor for waste is (46.1+47.4) kg CO_2 per GJ waste. The fuel consumption and the CO_2 emission have been disaggregated to the two IPCC fuel categories Biomass and Other fossil fuels in CRT. The corresponding fossil CO_2 emission factor for Other fuels is 79.5 kg CO_2 per GJ fossil waste and 112.8 kg biomass CO_2 per GJ biomass waste.

5) Includes a high content of CO_2 in the gas.

6) Anodic carbon. Not applied in Denmark in 2014-2024.

7) Gas distributed in the gas grid consist of a mixture of two fuels: Biomethane and (fossil) natural gas. The two fuels are treated as separate fuels in the emission inventories, see also Chapter 3.2.5.

Time series have been estimated for:

- Coal
- Residual oil
- Refinery gas
- Natural gas applied in offshore gas turbines
- Natural gas, other
- Waste, fossil part
- Waste, biogenic part
- Wood

For all other fuels the same emission factor has been applied for 1990-2024.

Table 3A-4.2 CO_2 emission factors, time series.

Year	Coal, kg per GJ	Residual oil, kg per GJ	Refinery gas, kg per GJ	Natural gas, offshore gas turbines, kg per GJ	Natural gas, other, kg per GJ	Waste, fossil part kg fossil CO_2 per GJ waste	Waste, bio-mass part, kg biogenic CO_2 per GJ waste	Wood, kg per GJ
1990	94	78.7	57.6	57.469	56.9	37	59.2	99.785
1991	94	78.7	57.6	57.469	56.9	37	59.2	99.661
1992	94	78.7	57.6	57.469	56.9	37	59.2	99.718
1993	94	78.7	57.6	57.469	56.9	37	59.2	99.691
1994	94	78.7	57.6	57.469	56.9	37	59.2	99.802
1995	94	78.7	57.6	57.469	56.9	37	59.2	99.819
1996	94	78.7	57.6	57.469	56.9	37	59.2	99.897
1997	94	78.7	57.6	57.469	56.9	37	59.2	99.894
1998	94	78.7	57.6	57.469	56.9	37	59.2	100.081
1999	94	78.7	57.6	57.469	56.9	37	59.2	100.057
2000	94	78.7	57.6	57.469	57.1	37	59.2	99.948
2001	94	78.7	57.6	57.469	57.25	37	59.2	100.009
2002	94	78.7	57.6	57.469	57.28	37	59.2	100.161
2003	94	78.7	57.6	57.469	57.19	37	59.2	100.583
2004	94	78.7	57.6	57.469	57.12	37	59.2	100.615
2005	94	78.7	57.6	57.469	56.96	37	59.2	100.448
2006	94.4	78.6	57.812	57.879	56.78	37	59.2	100.490
2007	94.3	78.5	57.848	57.784	56.78	37	59.2	100.293
2008	94.0	78.5	57.948	56.959	56.77	37	59.2	100.658
2009	93.6	78.9	56.817	57.254	56.69	37	59.2	100.955
2010	93.6	79.2	57.134	57.314	56.74	37	59.2	101.041
2011	94.73	79.25	57.861	57.379	56.97	37.5	59.2	101.299
2012	94.25	79.21	58.108	57.423	57.03	40.0	59.2	101.512
2013	93.95	79.28	58.274	57.295	56.79	42.5	59.2	101.275
2014	94.17	79.49	57.620	57.381	56.95	42.5	59.2	101.481
2015	94.46	79.17	57.508	57.615	57.06	42.5	59.2	101.277
2016	94.95	79.29	57.335	57.704	57.01	42.5	59.2	101.537
2017	94.37	79.19	57.109	57.628	57.00	42.5	59.2	102.088
2018	94.04	79.42	56.144	57.639	56.89	42.5	59.2	102.492
2019	94.13	79.32	56.452	57.588	56.54	42.5	59.2	102.793
2020	94.20	79.03	56.813	57.456	55.52	42.5	59.2	103.115
2021	93.94	79.15	56.486	57.356	55.47	42.5	59.2	103.380
2022	94.51	78.94	56.554	57.443	56.38	43.8	53.3	103.331
2023	95.11	78.95	56.280	57.522	57.14	45.1	47.4	103.211
2024	95.13	78.62	56.894	57.460	57.10	46.1	47.4	103.348

Table 3A-4.3 CH_4 emission factors and references, 2024.

Fuel group	Fuel	CRT source category	CRT source category	SNAP	Emission factor, g per GJ	Reference
SOLID	Coal	1A1a	Public electricity and heat production	0101 0102	0.9	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-6, Utility Boiler, Pulverised bituminous coal combustion, Wet bottom.
		1A2 a-g	Industry	03	10	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-3, Manufacturing industries.
		1A4b i	Residential	0202	300	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2.5, Residential, Bituminous coal.
		1A4c i	Agriculture/ Forestry	0203	10	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-4, Commercial, coal.[1)]
	BKB	1A4b i	Residential	0202	300	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-5, Residential, brown coal briquettes
	Coke oven coke	1A2 a-g	Industry	03	10	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-4, Commercial, coke oven coke.
		1A4b i	Residential	0202	300	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-5, Residential, coke oven coke.
	Anodic carbon	1A2 a-g	Industry	03	10	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-3, Manufacturing industries.
	Fossil fly ash	1A1a	Public electricity and heat production	0101	0.9	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-6, Utility Boiler, Pulverised bituminous coal combustion, Wet bottom.
LIQUID	Petroleum coke	1A2 a-g	Industry	03	3	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-3, Industry, petroleum coke.
		1A4a	Commercial/ Institutional	0201	10	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-4, Commercial, Petroleum coke.
		1A4b	Residential	0202	10	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-5, Residential / agricultural, Petroleum coke.
		1A4c	Agriculture/ Forestry	0203	10	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-5, Residential / agricultural, Petroleum coke.
	Residual oil	1A1a	Public electricity and heat production	010101	0.8	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-6, Utility Boiler, Residual fuel oil.
				010102 010103	1.3	Nielsen et al. (2010a)
				010104	3	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-2, Energy industries, residual oil.
				010105	4	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-6, Utility, Large diesel engines
				010203	0.8	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-6, Utility Boiler, Residual fuel oil.
		1A1b	Petroleum refining	010306	3	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-2, Energy industries, residual fuel oil.
		1A2 a-g	Industry	03	1.3	Nielsen et al. (2010a)
				Engines	4	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-6, Utility, Large diesel engines
		1A4a	Commercial/ Institutional	0201	1.4	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-10, Commercial, residual fuel oil boilers.
		1A4b	Residential	0202	1.4	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-9, Residential, residual fuel oil.
		1A4c	Agriculture/ Forestry	0203	1.4	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-10, Commercial, residual fuel oil boilers.[1)].
	Gas oil	1A1a	Public electricity and heat production	010101 010102 010103	0.9	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-6, Utility, gas oil, boilers.
				010104	3	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-2, Energy industries, gas oil.
				010105	24	Nielsen et al. (2010a)
				010202 010203	0.9	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-6, Utility, gas oil, boilers.
		1A1b	Petroleum refining	010306	3	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-2, Energy industries, gas oil.
		1A1c	Oil and gas extraction	0105	0.9	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-6, Utility, gas oil, boilers.
		1A2 a-g	Industry	03	0.2	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-7, Industry, gas oil, boilers.
				Turbines	3	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-3, Industry, gas oil.
				Engines	24	Nielsen et al. (2010a)

Fuel group	Fuel	CRT source category	CRT source category	SNAP	Emission factor, g per GJ	Reference
		1A4a	Commercial/ Institutional	0201	0.7	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-10, Commercial, gas oil.
				020105	24	Nielsen et al. (2010a)
		1A4b i	Residential	0202	0.7	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2.9, Residential, gas oil.
				020204	24	Nielsen et al. (2010a)
		1A4c	Agriculture/ Forestry	0203	0.7	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-10, Commercial, gas oil[1)].
				020304	24	Nielsen et al. (2010a)
	Kerosene	1A2 a-g	Industry	03	3	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-3, Industry, other kerosene.
		1A4a	Commercial/ Institutional	0201	10	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-4, Commercial, other kerosene.
		1A4b i	Residential	0202	10	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-5, Residential/agricultural, other kerosene.
		1A4c i	Agriculture/ Forestry	0203	10	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-5, Residential/agricultural, other kerosene.
	LPG	1A1a	Public electricity and heat production	0101 0102	1	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-2, Energy Industries, LPG.
		1A1b	Petroleum refining	0103	1	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-2, Energy Industries, LPG.
		1A2 a-g	Industry	03	1	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-3, Industry, LPG
		1A4a	Commercial/ Institutional	0201	5	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-4, Commercial, LPG.
		1A4b i	Residential	0202	5	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-5, Residential / agricultural, LPG.
		1A4c i	Agriculture/ Forestry	0203	5	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-5, Residential / agricultural, LPG.
	Refinery gas	1A1b	Petroleum refining	010304	1.7	Assumed equal to natural gas fuelled gas turbines. Nielsen et al. (2010a)
				010306	1	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-2, refinery gas.
GAS	Natural gas	1A1a	Public electricity and heat production	010101 010102 010103	1	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-6, Utility, natural gas, boilers.
				010104	1.7	Nielsen et al. (2010a)
				010105	481	Nielsen et al. (2010a)
				010202 010203	1	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-6, Utility, natural gas, boilers.
		1A1b	Petroleum refining	010306	1	Assumed equal to industrial boilers.
		1A1c	Oil and gas extraction	010503	1	Assumed equal to industrial boilers.
				010504	1.7	Nielsen et al. (2010a)
			Biogas upgrading	010510	1	Assumed equal to industrial boilers.
		1A2 a-g	Industry	Other	1	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-7, Industry, natural gas boilers.
				Gas turbines	1.7	Nielsen et al. (2010a)
				Engines	481	Nielsen et al. (2010a)
		1A4a	Commercial/ Institutional	0201	1	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-10, Commercial, natural gas boilers.
				020105	481	Nielsen et al. (2010a)
		1A4b i	Residential	0202	37.5	Schweitzer, 2020
				020204	481	Nielsen et al. (2010a)
		1A4c i	Agriculture/ Forestry	0203	1	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-10, Commercial, natural gas boilers[1)].
				020304	481	Nielsen et al. (2010a)
WASTE	Waste	1A1a	Public electricity and heat production	0101 0102	0.34	Nielsen et al. (2010a)
		1A2 a-g	Industry	03	30	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-3, Industry, municipal wastes.
		1A4a	Commercial/ Institutional	0201	30	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-3, Industry, municipal wastes [2)].
	Industrial waste	1A2f	Industry	0316	30	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-3, Industry, industrial wastes.

Fuel group	Fuel	CRT source category	CRT source category	SNAP	Emission factor, g per GJ	Reference
BIO-MASS	Wood	1A1a	Public electricity and heat production	0101	3.1	Nielsen et al. (2010a)
				0102	11	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-6, Utility boilers, wood
		1A2 a-g	Industry	03	11	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-7, Industry, wood, boilers.
		1A4a	Commercial/ Institutional	0201	11	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-10, Commercial, wood.
		1A4b i	Residential	0202	79.5	DCE estimate based on technology distribution, Nielsen et al. (2021b) [3)]
		1A4c i	Agriculture/ Forestry	0203	11	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-10, Commercial, wood.[1)].
	Straw	1A1a	Public electricity and heat production	0101	0.47	Nielsen et al. (2010a)
				0102	30	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-2, Energy industries, other primary solid biomass
		1A4b i	Residential	0202	265	DCE estimate based on DEPA (2022) and IPCC (2006). A time series has been estimated.
		1A4c i	Agriculture/ Forestry	020300	265	DCE estimate based on DEPA (2022) and IPCC (2006). A time series has been estimated.
				020302	30	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-2, Energy industries, other primary solid biomass (large agricultural plants considered equal to this plant category)
	Wood pellets	1A1a	Public electricity and heat production	0101	3.1	Nielsen et al. (2010a)
				0102	3	Paulrud et al. (2005)
		1A2 a-g	Industry	03	3	Paulrud et al. (2005)
		1A4a	Commercial/ Institutional	0201	3	Paulrud et al. (2005)
		1A4b i	Residential	0202	3	Paulrud et al. (2005)
		1A4c i	Agriculture/ Forestry	0203	3	Paulrud et al. (2005)
	Bio oil	1A1a	Public electricity and heat production	0101	3	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-2, Energy industries, biodiesels.
				010105	24	Nielsen et al. (2010a) assumed same emission factor as for gas oil fuelled engines.
				0102	3	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-2, Energy industries, biodiesels.
		1A2 a-g	Industry	03	3	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-3, Industry, biodiesels.
				030902	0.2	-
		1A4b i	Residential	0202	10	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-5, Residential, biodiesels.
	Biogas	1A1a	Public electricity and heat production	0101	1	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-2, Energy industries, other biogas.
				010105	369	Kristensen (2023)
				0102	1	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-2, Energy industries, other biogas.
		1A2 a-g	Industry	03	1	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-3, Industry, other biogas.
				Engines	369	Kristensen (2023)
		1A4a	Commercial/ Institutional	0201	5	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-4, Commercial, other biogas.
				020105	369	Kristensen (2023)
		1A4b	Residential	0202	1	Assumed equal to natural gas.
		1A4c i	Agriculture/ Forestry	0203	5	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-5, Agriculture, other biogas.
				020304	369	Kristensen (2023)
	Bio gasification gas	1A1a	Public electricity and heat production	010101	1	Assumed equal to biogas.
				010105	13	Nielsen et al. (2010a)
		1A4a	Commercial/Institutional	020105	13	Nielsen et al. (2010a)

Fuel group	Fuel	CRT source category	CRT source category	SNAP	Emission factor, g per GJ	Reference
	Biomethane	1A1a	Public electricity and heat production	0101 0102	1	Assumed equal to natural gas.
				Tur-bines	1.7	Assumed equal to natural gas.
				Engines	481	Assumed equal to natural gas.
		1A1b	Petroleum refining	0103	1	Assumed equal to natural gas.
		1A2 a-g	Industry	03	1	Assumed equal to natural gas.
				Tur-bines	1.7	Assumed equal to natural gas.
				Engines	481	Assumed equal to natural gas.
		1A4a	Commercial/ Institu-tional	0201	1	Assumed equal to natural gas.
				Engines	481	Assumed equal to natural gas.
		1A4b	Residential	0202	37.5	Assumed equal to natural gas.
				Engines	481	Assumed equal to natural gas.
		1A4c	Agriculture/ Forestry	0203	1	Assumed equal to natural gas.
				Engines	481	Assumed equal to natural gas.

[1)] Assumed same emission factors as for commercial plants. Plant capacity and technology are similar for Danish plants.

[2)] Assumed same emission factor as for industrial plants. Plant capacity and technology is similar to industrial plants rather than to residential plants.

[3)] Aggregated emission factor based on the technology distribution in the sector (Nielsen et al., 2021b) and technology specific emission factors that refer to Paulrud et al. (2005), Johansson et al. (2004) and Olsson & Kjällstrand (2005). The emission factor is within the IPCC (2006) interval for residential wood combustion (100-900 g per GJ).

In general, the same CH_4 emission factors have been applied for 1990-2024. However, time series have been estimated for both natural gas fuelled engines and biogas fuelled engines, residential wood combustion, combustion of straw in residential and agricultural plants, natural gas fuelled gas turbines[1] and waste incineration plants.

[1] A minor emission source.

Table 3A-4.4 CH_4 emission factors, time series.

Year	Natural gas fuelled engines Emission factor, g per GJ	Biogas fuelled engines Emission factor, g per GJ	Residential wood combustion, g per GJ	Waste incineration g per GJ	Natural gas fuelled gas turbines, g per GJ	Straw, residential and agricultural plants, g per GJ
1990	266	239	327	0.59	1.5	300
1991	309	251	321	0.59	1.5	300
1992	359	264	314	0.59	1.5	300
1993	562	276	308	0.59	1.5	300
1994	623	289	302	0.59	1.5	300
1995	632	301	296	0.59	1.5	300
1996	616	305	289	0.59	1.5	300
1997	551	310	283	0.59	1.5	300
1998	542	314	276	0.59	1.5	300
1999	541	318	270	0.59	1.5	300
2000	537	323	263	0.59	1.5	300
2001	522	342	256	0.59	1.5	300
2002	508	360	248	0.59	1.6	300
2003	494	379	240	0.59	1.6	300
2004	479	397	227	0.51	1.7	300
2005	465	416	215	0.42	1.7	300
2006	473	434	206	0.34	1.7	300
2007	481	434	197	0.34	1.7	300
2008	481	434	188	0.34	1.7	300
2009	481	434	178	0.34	1.7	300
2010	481	434	167	0.34	1.7	300
2011	481	434	160	0.34	1.7	300
2012	481	434	152	0.34	1.7	300
2013	481	434	145	0.34	1.7	300
2014	481	434	138	0.34	1.7	300
2015	481	421	131	0.34	1.7	300
2016	481	408	124	0.34	1.7	300
2017	481	395	117	0.34	1.7	300
2018	481	382	111	0.34	1.7	300
2019	481	369	105	0.34	1.7	300
2020	481	369	99	0.34	1.7	300
2021	481	369	94	0.34	1.7	300
2022	481	369	88.5	0.34	1.7	288
2023	481	369	83.8	0.34	1.7	276
2024	481	369	79.5	0.34	1.7	265

Table 3A-4.5 N_2O emission factors and references, 2024.

Fuel group	Fuel	CRT source category	CRT source category	SNAP	Emission factor, g per GJ	Reference
SOLID	Coal	1A1a	Public electricity and heat production	0101	0.8	Henriksen (2005).
				0102	1.4	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2.6, Utility source, pulverised bituminous coal, wet bottom boiler.
		1A2 a-g	Industry	03	1.5	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-3, Manufacturing industries, coal.
		1A4b i	Residential	0202	1.5	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-5, Residential, coal
		1A4c i	Agriculture/ Forestry	0203	1.5	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-4, Commercial, coal[1)]
	BKB	1A4b i	Residential	0202	1.5	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-5, Residential, brown coal briquettes
	Coke oven coke	1A2 a-g	Industry	03	1.5	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-3, Industry, coke oven coke
			Industry – mineral wool	030701	40	Emission factor based on plant specific data for the mineral wool industry, 2024
		1A4b i	Residential	020200	1.5	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-5, Residential, coke oven coke
	Anodic carbon	1A2 a-g	Industry	03	1.5	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-3, manufacturing industries, other bituminous coal
	Fossil fly ash	1A1a	Public electricity and heat production	0101	0.8	Assumed equal to coal.
LIQUID	Petroleum coke	1A2 a-g	Industry – other	03	0.6	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-3, Industry, petroleum coke
				031600	1.5	-
		1A4a	Commercial/ Institutional	0201	0.6	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-4, Commercial, petroleum coke
		1A4b i	Residential	0202	0.6	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-5, Residential, petroleum coke
		1A4c i	Agriculture/ Forestry	0203	0.6	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-5, Residential/Agricultural, petroleum coke
	Residual oil	1A1a	Public electricity and heat production	010101	0.3	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-6, Utility, residual fuel oil
				010102 010103	5	Nielsen et al. (2010a)
				010104 010105	0.6	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-2, Energy industries, residual fuel oil
				010203	0.3	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-6, Utility, residual fuel oil
		1A1b	Petroleum refining	010306	0.6	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-2, Energy industries, residual fuel oil
		1A2 a-g	Industry	03	5	Nielsen et al. (2010a)
				Engines	0.6	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-3, manufacturing industries and construction, residual fuel oil.
		1A4a	Commercial/ Institutional	0201	0.3	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-10, Commercial, fuel oil boilers
		1A4b i	Residential	0202	0.6	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-5, Residential, residual fuel oil
		1A4c i	Agriculture/ Forestry	0203	0.3	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-10, Commercial, fuel oil boilers[1)]
	Gas oil	1A1a	Public electricity and heat production	010101 010102 010103	0.4	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-6, Utility, gas oil boilers
				010104	0.6	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-2, Energy industries, gas oil
				010105	2.1	Nielsen et al. (2010a)

Fuel group	Fuel	CRT source category	CRT source category	SNAP	Emission factor, g per GJ	Reference
				0102	0.4	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-6, Utility, gas oil boilers
		1A1b	Petroleum refining	010306	0.6	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-2, Energy industries, gas oil
		1A1c	Oil and gas extraction	010500	0.4	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-6, Utility, gas oil boilers
		1A2 a-g	Industry	03	0.4	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-7, Industry, gas oil boilers
				Tur-bines	0.6	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-3, Industry, gas oil
				Engines	2.1	Nielsen et al. (2010a)
			Industry – mineral wool	030701	40	Emission factor based on plant specific data for the mineral wool industry, 2024
		1A4a	Commercial/ Institutional	0201	0.4	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-10, Commercial, gas oil boilers
				Engines	2.1	Nielsen et al. (2010a)
		1A4b i	Residential	0202	0.6	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-5, Residential, gas oil
				Engines	2.1	Nielsen et al. (2010a)
		1A4c	Agriculture/ Forestry	0203	0.4	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-10, Commercial, gas oil boilers[1)]
				Engines	2.1	Nielsen et al. (2010a)
	Kerosene	1A2 a-g	Industry	03	0.6	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-3, Industry, other kerosene
		1A4a	Commercial/ Institutional	0201	0.6	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-4, Commercial, other kerosene
		1A4b i	Residential	0202	0.6	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-5, Residential, other kerosene
		1A4c i	Agriculture/ Forestry	0203	0.6	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-4, Commercial, other kerosene [1)]
	LPG	1A1a	Public electricity and heat production	0101 0102	0.1	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-2, Energy industries, LPG
		1A1b	Petroleum refining	010306	0.1	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-2, Energy industries, LPG
		1A2 a-g	Industry	03	0.1	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-3, Industry, LPG
			Industry – mineral wool	030701	40	Emission factor based on plant specific data for the mineral wool industry, 2024
		1A4a	Commercial/ Institutional	0201	0.1	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-4, Commercial, LPG
		1A4b i	Residential	0202	0.1	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-5, Residential, LPG
		1A4c i	Agriculture/ Forestry	0203	0.1	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-5, Residential/Agricultural, LPG
	Refinery gas	1A1b	Petroleum refining	010304	1	Assumed equal to natural gas fuelled turbines. Based on Nielsen et al. (2010a).
				010306	0.1	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-2, Energy industries, refinery gas
GAS	Natural gas	1A1a	Public electricity and heat production	010101 010102 010103	1	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-6, Natural gas, Utility, boiler
				010104	1	Nielsen et al. (2010a)
				010105	0.58	Nielsen et al. (2010a)
				0102	1	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-6, Natural gas, Utility, boiler
		1A1b	Petroleum refining	010306	1	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-6, Natural gas, Utility, boiler
		1A1c	Oil and gas extraction	0105	1	Nielsen et al. (2010a)

Fuel group	Fuel	CRT source category	CRT source category	SNAP	Emission factor, g per GJ	Reference
		1A2 a-g	Industry	03	1	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-7, Industry, natural gas boilers
				Gas turbines	1	Nielsen et al. (2010a)
				Engines	0.58	Nielsen et al. (2010a)
			Industry – mineral wool	030701	40	Emission factor based on plant specific data for the mineral wool industry, 2024
		1A4a	Commercial/ Institutional	020100 020103	1	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-10, Commercial, natural gas boilers
				Engines	0.58	Nielsen et al. (2010a)
		1A4b i	Residential	0202	1	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-9, Residential, natural gas boilers
				Engines	0.58	Nielsen et al. (2010a)
		1A4c i	Agriculture/ Forestry	0203	1	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-10, Commercial, natural gas boilers [1)]
				Engines	0.58	Nielsen et al. (2010a)
WASTE	Waste	1A1a	Public electricity and heat production	0101 0102	1.2	Nielsen et al. (2010a)
		1A2 a-g	Industry	03	4	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-3, Industry, wastes
		1A4a	Commercial/ Institutional	0201	4	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-4, Commercial, municipal wastes
	Industrial waste	1A2 a-g	Industry	03	4	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-3, Industry, industrial wastes
BIO-MASS	Wood	1A1a	Public electricity and heat production	0101	0.8	Nielsen et al. (2010a)
				0102	4	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-2, Energy industries, wood
		1A2 a-g	Industry	03	7	IPCC (2006), Table 2-7 Industrial source emission factors, wood / wood waste boilers
		1A4a	Commercial/ Institutional	0201	4	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-4, Commercial, wood
		1A4b i	Residential	0202	2.72	DCE estimate based on technology distribution, Nielsen et al. (2021b) [2)]
		1A4c i	Agriculture/ Forestry	0203	4	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-5, Agriculture, wood
	Straw	1A1a	Public electricity and heat production	0101	1.1	Nielsen et al. (2010a)
				0102	4	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-2, Energy industries, other primary solid biomass
		1A4b i	Residential	0202	4	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-5, Residential, other primary solid biomass
		1A4c i	Agriculture/ Forestry	0203	4	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-5, Agriculture, other primary solid biomass
	Wood pellets	1A1a	Public electricity and heat production	0101	0.8	Nielsen et al. (2010a)
				0102	4	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-2, Energy industries, wood
		1A2 a-g	Industry	03	4	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-3, Industry, wood
		1A4a	Commercial/ Institutional	0201	4	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-4, Commercial, wood
		1A4b i	Residential	0202	4	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-5, Residential, wood
		1A4c	Agriculture/ Forestry	0203	4	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-4, Commercial, wood

Fuel group	Fuel	CRT source category	CRT source category	SNAP	Emission factor, g per GJ	Reference
	Bio oil	1A1a	Public electricity and heat production	0101 0102	0.6	IPCC (2006), Tier 3, Table 2-2, Utility, biodiesels
				Engines	2.1	Assumed equal to gas oil. Based on Nielsen et al. (2010a)
		1A2 a-g	Industry	03	0.4	Assumed equal to gas oil.
		1A4b i	Residential	0202	0.6	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-5, Residential, biodiesels
	Biogas	1A1a	Public electricity and heat production	0101 0102	0.1	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-2, Energy industries, other biogas
				Engines	1.6	Nielsen et al. (2010a)
		1A2 a-g	Industry	03	0.1	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-3, Industry, other biogas
				Engines	1.6	Nielsen et al. (2010a)
		1A4a	Commercial/ Institutional	0201	0.1	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2,4, Commercial, other biogas
				Engines	1.6	Nielsen et al. (2010a)
		1A4b	Residential	0202	1	Assumed equal to natural gas.
		1A4c i	Agriculture/ Forestry	0203	0.1	IPCC (2006), Tier 1, Table 2-5, Agriculture, other biogas.
				Engines	1.6	Nielsen et al. (2010a).
	Bio gasification gas	1A1a	Public electricity and heat production	010101	0.1	Assumed equal to biogas.
				010105	2.7	Nielsen et al. (2010a).
		1A4a	Commercial/ Institutional	020105	2.7	Nielsen et al. (2010a).
	Biomethane	1A1a	Public electricity and heat production	0101 or 0102	1	Assumed equal to natural gas.
				Engines	0.58	Assumed equal to natural gas.
		1A1b	Petroleum refining	0103	1	Assumed equal to natural gas.
		1A2 a-g	Industry	03	1	Assumed equal to natural gas.
				Engines	0.58	Assumed equal to natural gas.
		1A2 f	Industry – mineral wool	030701	40	Emission factor based on plant specific data for the mineral wool industry, 2024.
		1A4a	Commercial/ Institutional	0201	1	Assumed equal to natural gas.
				Engines	0.58	Assumed equal to natural gas.
		1A4b	Residential	0202	1	Assumed equal to natural gas.
				Engines	0.58	Assumed equal to natural gas.
		1A4c	Agriculture/ Forestry	0203	1	Assumed equal to natural gas.
				Engines	0.58	Assumed equal to natural gas.

1) In Denmark, plants in Agriculture/Forestry are similar to Commercial plants.

2) Aggregated emission factor based on the technology distribution in the sector (Nielsen et al., 2021b) and technology specific emission factors that refer to Tsupari et al. (2006), Hedman et al. (2006), and Skreiberg et al. (2023). The emission factor is within the IPCC (2006) interval for residential wood combustion (1.5 - 15 g per GJ).

Time series have been estimated for natural gas fuelled gas turbines, refinery gas fuelled turbines and residential wood combustion. All other emission factors have been applied unchanged for 1990-2024.

Table 3A-4.6 N_2O emission factors, time series.

Year	Natural gas fuelled gas turbines. Emission factor, g per GJ	Refinery gas fuelled gas turbines. Emission factor, g per GJ	Residential wood combustion, g per GJ
1990	2.2	2.2	4.54
1991	2.2	2.2	4.55
1992	2.2	2.2	4.55
1993	2.2	2.2	4.55
1994	2.2	2.2	4.56
1995	2.2	2.2	4.56
1996	2.2	2.2	4.56
1997	2.2	2.2	4.57
1998	2.2	2.2	4.57
1999	2.2	2.2	4.58
2000	2.2	2.2	4.58
2001	2.0	2.0	4.59
2002	1.9	1.9	4.59
2003	1.7	1.7	4.60
2004	1.5	1.5	4.48
2005	1.4	1.4	4.36
2006	1.2	1.2	4.28
2007	1.0	1.0	4.21
2008	1.0	1.0	4.12
2009	1.0	1.0	4.02
2010	1.0	1.0	3.93
2011	1.0	1.0	3.84
2012	1.0	1.0	3.75
2013	1.0	1.0	3.66
2014	1.0	1.0	3.57
2015	1.0	1.0	3.49
2016	1.0	1.0	3.40
2017	1.0	1.0	3.31
2018	1.0	1.0	3.22
2019	1.0	1.0	3.14
2020	1.0	1.0	3.05
2021	1.0	1.0	2.96
2022	1.0	1.0	2.88
2023	1.0	1.0	2.80
2024	1.0	1.0	2.72

Table 3A-4.15 Technology specific emission factors for CH_4 from residential wood combustion.

Technology	Emission factor, g per GJ	Reference
Stoves (-1989)	430	Methane emissions from residential biomass combustion, Paulrud et al. (2005) (SMED report, Sweden).
Stoves (1990-2007)	215	Assumed ½ the emission factor for stoves (-1989).
Stoves (2008-2014)	125	Estimated based on the emission factor for stoves (1990-2007) and the emission factors for NMVOC.
Stoves (2015-2016)	125	Same as stoves (2008-2014).
Stoves (2017-)	125	Same as stoves (2008-2014).
Eco labelled stoves / new advanced stoves (-2014)	2	Low emissions from wood burning in an ecolabelled residential boiler. Olsson & Kjällstrand (2005).
Eco labelled stoves / new advanced stoves (2015-2016)	2	Same as advanced/ecolabelled stoves.
Eco labelled stoves / new advanced stoves (2017-)	2	Same as advanced/ecolabelled stoves.
Open fireplaces and similar	430	Assumed equal to stoves (-1989).
Masonry heat accumulating stoves and similar	215	Assumed equal to stoves (1990-2007).
Boilers with accumulation tank (-1979)	211	Methane emissions from residential biomass combustion, Paulrud et al 2005 (SMED report, Sweden).
Boilers without accumulation tank (-1979)	256	Methane emissions from residential biomass combustion, Paulrud et al 2005 (SMED report, Sweden).
Boilers with accumulation tank (1980-)	50	Emission characteristics of modern and old-type residential boilers fired with wood logs and wood pellets. Johansson et al. (2004).
Boilers without accumulation tank (1980-)	50	Emission characteristics of modern and old-type residential boilers fired with wood logs and wood pellets. Johansson et al. (2004).

Table 3A-4.16 Technology specific emission factors for N_2O from residential wood combustion.

Technology	Emission factor, g per GJ	Reference
Stoves (-1989)	5.3	Hedman et al., 2006.
Stoves (1990-2007)	5.3	Hedman et al., 2006.
Stoves (2008-2014)	0.8	Skreiberg et al., 2023.
Stoves (2015-2016)	0.8	Skreiberg et al., 2023.
Stoves (2017-)	0.8	Skreiberg et al., 2023.
Eco labelled stoves / new advanced stoves (-2014)	0.8	Skreiberg et al., 2023.
Eco labelled stoves / new advanced stoves (2015-2016)	0.8	Skreiberg et al., 2023.
Eco labelled stoves / new advanced stoves (2017-)	0.8	Skreiberg et al., 2023.
Open fireplaces and similar	9	IPCC Guidelines, 2006.
Masonry heat accumulating stoves and similar	2.0	Tsupari et al., 2006 (average).
Boilers with accumulation tank (-1979)	3.1	DCE estimate based on Hedman et al., 2006.
Boilers without accumulation tank (-1979)	3.1	DCE estimate based on Hedman et al., 2006.
Boilers with accumulation tank (1980-)	3.1	DCE estimate based on Hedman et al., 2006.
Boilers without accumulation tank (1980-)	3.1	DCE estimate based on Hedman et al., 2006.

Annex 3A-5 Large point sources

Table 3A-5.1 Large point sources, 2024 (stationary combustion).

Large point sources
AffaldPlus+, Naestved Forbraendingsanlaeg
Affaldplus+, Slagelse Forbr. and DONG Slagelse KVV
Affaldscenter aarhus - Forbraendsanlaegget
Affaldsforbraendingsanlaeg I/S REFA
Amagerforbraending
Amagervaerket
Ardagh Glass Holmegaard A/S
Asnaesvaerket
Avedoerevaerket
AVV Forbraendingsanlaeg
Bofa I/S
Cheminova
Dalum Kraftvarmevaerk
Danisco Grindsted Dupont
DanSteel
DTU
Duferco Danish Steel
Esbjergvaerket
Fjernvarme Fyn, Centrum Varmecentral
Frederikshavn Affaldskraftvarmevaerk
Fynsvaerket
H.C.Oerstedsvaerket
Haldor Topsoee
Hammel Fjernvarmeselskab
Herningvaerket
Hilleroed Kraftvarmevaerk
Horsens Kraftvarmevaerk
I/S Kara Affaldsforbraendingsanlaeg
I/S Nordforbraending
I/S Reno Nord
I/S Reno Syd
I/S Vestforbraending
Koege Kraftvarmevaerk
Kolding Forbraendingsanlaeg TAS
Kommunekemi
Kyndbyvaerket
L90 Affaldsforbraending
LECA Danmark
Maabjergvaerket
Nordic Sugar Nakskov
Nordic Sugar Nykoebing
Nordjyllandsvaerket
Nybro Gasbehandlingsanlaeg
Odense Kraftvarmevaerk
Oestkraft
Randersvaerket Verdo
Rensningsanlaegget Lynetten
Rockwool A/S Doense
Rockwool A/S Vamdrup
Saint-Gobain Isover A/S
Shell Raffinaderi
Silkeborg Kraftvarmevaerk
Skaerbaekvaerket
Soenderborg Kraftvarmevaerk
Statoil Raffinaderi
Studstrupvaerket

Large point sources
Svanemoellevaerket
Vordingborg Kraftvarme
Aalborg Portland
AarhusKarlshamn Denmark A/S

Table 3A-5.2 Large point sources, aggregated fuel consumption in 2024.

CRT	Fuel id	Fuel	Sum of Fuel_TJ
1A1a	102A	COAL	16144
	103A	SUB-BITUMINOUS	69
	111A	WOOD	28967
	114A	WASTE	39185
	117A	STRAW	4792
	122A	Wood Pellets	39545
	203A	RESIDUAL OIL	754
	204A	GAS OIL	530
	215A	BIO OIL	17
	301A	NATURAL GAS	3072
	303A	LPG	0
	309A	BIOGAS	136
	315A	BIONATGAS	1879
1A1a Total			135090
1A1b	203A	RESIDUAL OIL	9
	204A	GAS OIL	102
	301A	NATURAL GAS	524
	303A	LPG	0
	308A	REFINERY GAS	14159
	315A	BIONATGAS	321
1A1b Total			15115
1A1c	204A	GAS OIL	0
	301A	NATURAL GAS	311
	315A	BIONATGAS	0
1A1c Total			311
1A2a	204A	GAS OIL	0
	301A	NATURAL GAS	1073
	303A	LPG	1
	315A	BIONATGAS	656
1A2a Total			1731
1A2c	204A	GAS OIL	16
	301A	NATURAL GAS	590
	303A	LPG	3
	315A	BIONATGAS	361
1A2c Total			968
1A2e	102A	COAL	38
	107A	COKE OVEN COKE	124
	111A	WOOD	1080
	203A	RESIDUAL OIL	514
	204A	GAS OIL	420
	215A	BIO OIL	20
	301A	NATURAL GAS	812
	303A	LPG	25
	309A	BIOGAS	72
	315A	BIONATGAS	497
1A2e Total			3600
1A2f	102A	COAL	1238
	107A	COKE OVEN COKE	117
	110A	PETROLEUM COKE	3690
	111A	WOOD	2690
	114A	WASTE	204
	115A	INDUSTR. WASTES	2019
	203A	RESIDUAL OIL	0
	204A	GAS OIL	132
	301A	NATURAL GAS	1038
	303A	LPG	171
	315A	BIONATGAS	635
1A2f Total			11934
1A4a i	111A	WOOD	201
	203A	RESIDUAL OIL	0
	309A	BIOGAS	8
1A4a i Total			209
Grand Total			168957

Annex 3A-6 Adjustment of CO_2 emissions

Table 3A-6.1 Adjustment of CO_2 emission (DEA, 2025a).

		1990	**1991**	**1992**	**1993**	**1994**	**1995**	**1996**	**1997**	**1998**	**1999**
Actual Degree Days	Degree days	2857	3284	3022	3434	3148	3297	3837	3236	3217	3056
Normal Degree Days	Degree days	3379	3380	3359	3365	3366	3378	3395	3389	3375	3339
Net electricity import	PJ	25.4	-7.1	13.5	4.3	-17.4	-2.9	-55.4	-26.1	-15.6	-8.3
Actual CO_2 emission	1 000 000 tonnes	38.6	48.2	42.3	44.6	48.1	44.9	57.9	48.1	44.1	40.9
Adjusted CO_2 emission	1 000 000 tonnes	44.9	46.6	45.2	45.6	44.3	44.2	44.9	42.1	40.5	39.0
Continued		**2000**	**2001**	**2002**	**2003**	**2004**	**2005**	**2006**	**2007**	**2008**	**2009**
Actual Degree Days	Degree days	2902	3279	3011	3150	3113	3068	2908	2807	2853	3061
Normal Degree Days	Degree days	3304	3289	3273	3271	3261	3224	3188	3136	3120	3127
Net electricity import	PJ	2.4	-2.1	-7.5	-30.8	-10.3	4.9	-25.0	-3.4	5.2	1.2
Actual CO_2 emission	1 000 000 tonnes	36.9	38.5	38.0	42.8	36.8	33.1	40.8	35.4	32.5	31.7
Adjusted CO_2 emission	1 000 000 tonnes	37.6	38.1	36.4	36.0	34.6	34.2	35.2	34.6	33.7	32.0
Continued		**2010**	**2011**	**2012**	**2013**	**2014**	**2015**	**2016**	**2017**	**2018**	**2019**
Actual Degree Days	Degree days	3742	2970	3234	3207	2664	2921	2998	2970	2900	2847
Normal Degree Days	Degree days	3171	3156	3166	3155	3131	3112	3070	3057	3041	3030
Net electricity import	PJ	-4.1	4.7	18.8	3.9	10.3	21.3	18.2	16.4	18.8	20.9
Actual CO2 emission	1 000 000 tonnes	32.1	27.4	23.8	25.8	21.5	18.9	20.2	17.7	17.5	14.2
Adjusted CO2 emission	1 000 000 tonnes	31.2	28.4	28.0	26.4	23.3	22.5	23.3	20.4	20.5	17.3
Continued		**2020**	**2021**	**2022**	**2023**	**2024**					
Actual Degree Days	Degree days	2715	3098	2834	2864	2707					
Normal Degree Days	Degree days	3021	3012	3003	2989	2969					
Net electricity import	PJ	24.8	17.5	4.9	11.3	13.4					
Actual CO2 emission	1 000 000 tonnes	12.5	13.5	12.6	10.3	9.3					
Adjusted CO2 emission	1 000 000 tonnes	15.9	15.7	13.1	11.5	10.6					

Annex 3A-7 Uncertainty estimates

Table 3A-7.1 Uncertainty estimation, approach 1, GHG
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Table 3A-7.2 Uncertainty estimation, approach 1, CO_2
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Table 3A-7.3 Uncertainty estimation, approach 1, CH_4
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Table 3A-7.4 Uncertainty estimation, approach 1, N_2O
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Annex 3A-8 Emission inventory 2024 based on SNAP sectors

Table 3A-8.1 Emission inventory 2024 based on SNAP sectors.

CRT	SNAP	CO_2, kt	CH_4, t	N_2O, t
1A1a	010100	0.0	0.0	0.0
	010101	1667.1	145.6	48.5
	010102	1116.0	65.0	48.8
	010103	440.4	10.9	15.6
	010104	302.5	30.9	14.9
	010105	125.5	2512.4	10.4
	010200	0.0	0.0	0.0
	010201	0.0	0.0	0.0
	010202	41.0	1.4	1.1
	010203	299.9	359.1	93.6
	010205	0.0	0.0	0.0
1A1a Total		3992.3	3125.3	233.0
1A1b	010304	95.5	3.0	1.7
	010306	753.2	13.6	2.2
1A1b Total		848.7	16.6	3.9
1A1c	010500	87.1	1.1	0.5
	010503	17.7	0.3	0.3
	010504	910.9	26.9	15.9
	010505	0.0	0.0	0.0
	010510	102.5	2.9	2.9
1A1c Total		1118.2	31.2	19.5
1A2	030104	0.0	0.0	0.0
	030105	0.0	0.0	0.0
	030106	0.0	0.0	0.0
	030400	23.1	0.6	0.6
	030402	61.4	1.7	1.7
	030500	0.0	0.0	0.0
	030600	146.8	8.3	6.5
	030602	21.1	0.6	0.6
	030603	0.0	0.0	0.0
	030604	13.9	0.7	0.4
	030605	0.0	19.3	0.1
	030700	117.4	2.9	2.6
	030701	38.4	1.7	32.9
	030702	24.3	0.7	0.7
	030703	0.0	0.0	0.0
	030705	0.0	0.0	0.0
	030706	42.9	8.7	1.5
	030800	64.5	1.2	1.5
	030900	463.6	13.7	11.0
	030902	86.4	13.8	10.2
	030903	48.8	1.9	1.7
	030904	0.0	0.0	0.0
	030905	2.8	284.3	1.1
	031000	7.5	0.3	0.3
	031005	0.0	0.0	0.0
	031100	45.1	2.1	1.8
	031102	0.0	0.0	0.0
	031103	0.0	0.0	0.0
	031104	0.0	0.0	0.0
	031200	5.7	0.2	0.2
	031205	0.0	0.0	0.0
	031300	83.1	3.6	3.8
	031305	0.0	0.0	0.0
	031400	6.4	0.3	0.4
	031403	0.0	0.0	0.0
	031405	0.1	1.5	0.0
	031500	16.4	0.4	0.3
	031600	566.4	111.6	34.0
	031604	0.0	0.0	0.0
	031605	0.0	0.0	0.0
	032000	68.9	29.3	4.8
	032002	0.0	0.0	0.0
	032004	0.0	0.0	0.0
	032005	0.1	0.7	0.0
1A2 Total		1954.9	510.1	118.5
1A4a_i	020100	296.2	13.8	10.3

CRT	SNAP	CO_2, kt	CH_4, t	N_2O, t
	020103	1.1	2.7	0.8
	020105	1.3	205.9	0.9
1A4a_i Total		298.6	222.4	12.0
1A4b_i	020200	858.2	2618.4	110.0
	020202	0.6	0.9	0.0
	020204	0.8	11.5	0.0
1A4b_i Total		859.7	2630.8	110.0
1A4c_i	020300	230.7	517.8	10.7
	020302	0.0	0.0	0.0
	020303	0.0	0.0	0.0
	020304	3.7	168.0	0.6
	020305	0.0	0.0	0.0
1A4c_i Total		234.3	685.9	11.3
Grand Total		9306.7	7222.2	508.2

Annex 1: Fleet data 1985-2024 for road transport (No. vehicles)

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Annex 11-3: Engine load factor (weighted by total engine kWh output) per machine type for non road mobile machinery 1985-2024, grouped into sector, fuel type, engine type and engine size class

Annex 11-4: Annual working hours (weighted by number) per machine type for non road mobile machinery 1985-2024, grouped into sector, fuel type, engine type and engine size class

Annex 11-5: Total annual working hours (1000 hours) per machine type for non road mobile machinery 1985-2024, grouped into sector, fuel type, engine type and engine size class

Annex 11-6: Total MWh per machine type for non road mobile machinery 1985-2024, grouped into sector, fuel type, engine type and engine size class

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Annex 12-4: Sailing time (single trip) per route per ferry for Danish ferries 1990-2024

Annex 12-5: Engine load factor (% MCR) per route per ferry for Danish ferries 1990-2024

Annex 12-6: Ferry service, ferry name, engine type, engine year, fuel type, main engine MCR (kW), aux. engine (kW), engine load factors (%), Number of round trips, Sailing time (mins), MWh produced, fuel consumption (tons and GJ), specific fuel consumption (g/kWh), SO2, NOx, NMVOC, CH4, VOC, CO, CO2, N2O, NH3, TSP, PM10, PM2.5 and BC emission factors for 2023 (g/kWh, g/GJ, g/kg fuel).

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Annex 12-9: Engine load adjustment functions for sfc, NOx, VOC, CO, N2O and TSP emission factors for marine engines

Annex 12-10: Hours at sea, engine load (%), MWh produced, fuel consumption (PJ), specific fuel consumption (g/kWh), SO2, NOx, NMVOC, CH4, VOC, CO, CO2, N2O, NH3, TSP, PM10, PM2.5 and BC emission factors (g/kWh, g/GJ, g/kg fuel) for Danish fishing vessels 1985-2024 distributed into overall length classes.

Annex 13-1: Train Litrakm, tonnes trainkm, engine type, fuel consumption (PJ or kWh), SO2, NOx, NMVOC, CH4, VOC, CO, CO2, N2O, NH3, TSP, PM10, PM2.5 and BC total emissions (exhaust, kg) for DSB, private railways, other railways and S-tog and Metro per litra type for the years 1985-2024.

Annex 13-2: Train Litrakm, tonnes trainkm, engine type, and TSP, PM10, PM2.5, Cr, Cu and Ni total emissions (non exhaust, kg) for DSB, private railways, other railways and S-tog and Metro per litra type for the years 1985-2024.

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Annex 16-1: Fuel consumption 1985-2024 in CRF format

Annex 16-2: Emissions 1985-2024 in CRF format

Annex 16-3: Fuel consumption 1985-2024 in NFR format

Annex 16-4: Emissions 1985-2024 in NFR format

Annex 17-1: Uncertainty estimates for greenhouse gases

Annex 17-2: Uncertainty estimates for emission components reported to the LRTAP Convention

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Annex 3C - Industrial processes and product use

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Annex 3C-6.2:	Emissions from the use of canned whipped cream, kt
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Annex 3D - Agriculture

Table 3D-1 Changes in barn type 1990 – 2024.

Table 3D-2 Number of animals allocated on subcategories for 1990-2024, 1000 head.

Table 3D-3 (a-d) NH_3 emission factors for barn units, 2024.

Table 3D-4 NH_3 emission factors for storage units, 2024.

Table 3D-5 EF for poultry for CH_4 from enteric fermentation, kg CH_4 per 100 or 1000 heads.

Table 3D-6 Parameters for winter-feeding plans.

Table 3D-7 Energy factors used for GE.

Table 3D-8 Feed intake 1990-2024, Dairy cattle; kg DM per cow per year, Others; FU per animal per year.

Table 3D-9 Grazing animals 1990 – 2024, number of days on grass per year.

Table 3D-10 Gross energy per kg DM for dairy cattle, 1990-2024, MJ per kg DM.

Table 3D-11 Average gross energy intake (GE) 1990 – 2024, MJ per head per day.

Table 3D-12 Implied Emission Factor for CH_4 from enteric fermentation, 1990-2024, kg CH4 per head per day.

Table 3D-13 Emission of CH_4 from enteric fermentation, 1990 – 2024, kt CH_4.

Table 3D-14 VS daily excretion 1990 – 2024, kg DM per head per day.

Table 3D-15 Implied Emission Factor of CH_4 from manure management, 1990 – 2023, kg CH4 per head per day.

Table 3D-16 Emission of CH_4 from manure management, 1990-2024, kt CH_4.

Table 3D-17 Area of agricultural land, 1990 – 2024, ha.

Table 3D-18 Above-ground residue dry matter $AG_{DM(T)}$ 1990-2024, kg DM per ha.

Figure 3D-1 Model calculation of nitrogen leaching from groundwater nationwide by SKEP/DAISY and N-LES.

Table 3D-19 QA/QC procedure, stage I – III.

Chapter 3D-1 Biogas treatment of manure.

Chapter 3D-2 Estimation of methane emission from raw cattle and swine slurry and anaerobic digested animal manure.

Table 3D-1 Changes in barn type 1990 – 2024. https://envs.au.dk/en/faglige-omraader/luftforurening-udledninger-og-effekter/udledning-af-luftforurening/greenhouse-gases/supporting-documentation (most recently submitted values).

Table 3D-2 Number of animals allocated on subcategories for 1990-2024, 1 000 head. https://envs.au.dk/en/faglige-omraader/luftforurening-udledninger-og-effekter/udledning-af-luftforurening/greenhouse-gases/supporting-documentation (most recently submitted values).

Table 3D-3 (a-d) NH_3 emission factors for barn units, 2024.

a) **Cattle**

		Urine TAN	Slurry TAN	Solid manure Total N	Deep litter manure Total N
Barn type		pct. loss of TAN ex animal		pct. loss of N ex animal	
Tethered	urine and solid manure	6	-	5	-
	slurry manure	-	6	-	-
Loose-housing with beds	solid floor	-	20	-	-
	slatted floor	-	13.5	-	-
	slatted floor and scrape		13.5		
	drained floor	-	10.4	-	-
	solid floor with tilt	-	10.4	-	-
Deep litter	All	-	-	-	6
	solid floor	-	-	-	6
	slatted floor	-	13.5	-	6
	slatted floor and scrape	-	13.5	-	6
	solid floor and scrape	-	20	-	6
Boxes	sloping bedded floor	-	16	-	-
	slatted floor	-	16	-	-

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b) **Swine**

			Urine TAN	Slurry TAN	Solid manure Total N	Deep litter Total N
	Barn type	Floor or manure type	Pct. loss of TAN ex animal		pct. loss of N ex animal	
Sows	Individual, mating and gestation	Partly slatted floor	-	13	-	-
		Full slatted floor	-	19	-	-
		Solid floor	21	-	16	-
	Group, mating and gestation	Deep litter	-	-	-	15
		Deep litter + slatted floor	-	16	-	15
		Deep litter + solid floor	-	19	-	15
		Partly slatted floor	-	16	-	-
	Organic production	Deep litter	-	16	-	15
	Farrowing crate	Full slatted floor	-	26	-	-
		Partly slatted floor	-	13	-	-
	Farrowing pen	Solid floor	20	-	15	-
		Partly slatted floor	-	22	15	-
Weaners		Full slatted floor	-	24	-	-
		Drained + partly slatted floor	-	21	-	-
		Deep litter (to-climate housings)	-	10	-	15
		Solid floor	37	-	25	-
		Deep litter	-	-	-	15
	Organic production	Deep litter	-	15	-	15
Fattening pigs		Partly slatted floor (50-75 % solid)	-	13	-	-
		Partly slatted floor (25-49% solid)	-	17	-	-
		Drained + partly slatted floor	-	21	-	-
		Full slatted floor	-	24	-	-
		Solid floor	27	-	18	-
		Deep litter, divided	-	18	-	15
		Deep litter	-	-	-	15
	Organic production	Partly slatted floor	-	38	-	-

c) **Poultry**

			Solid manure Total N	Deep litter Total N
	Barn type	Floor or manure type	pct. loss of N ex animal	
Hens and pullets	Free-range, organic and barn	Deep pit	40	25
		Deep litter	-	28
		Manure belt	10	25
	Battery	Deep pit	12	-
		Manure belt	10	-
Broilers	Conventional	Deep litter	-	7
	Organic and barn	Deep litter	-	13
Turkeys, ducks and geese		Deep litter	-	20

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d) **Other**

	Slurry TAN	Deep litter Total N
	Pct. loss of TAN ex animal	pct. loss of N ex animal
Fur animals	30-67	40
Horses, sheep and goats	-	15

Table 3D-4 NH_3 emission factors for storage units, 2024.

			Urine	Slurry	Solid manure	Deep litter	Pct. of solid manure stored in heap on field
Cattle		Total N	2.2	2	4	1	35
		TAN	2.2	3.3	-	-	-
Pigs	Sows	Total N	2.2	2	19	6.5	50
		TAN	2.2	2.5	-	-	-
	Weaners	Total N	2.2	2	19	9.8	-
		TAN	2.2	2.5	-	-	-
	Fattening pigs	Total N	2.2	2	19	9.8	75
		TAN	2.2	2.5	-	-	-
Poultry	Hens and pullets	Total N	-	2	7.5	4.8	95
	Broilers	Total N	-	-	11.5	6.8	85
	Turkeys, ducks, and geese	Total N	-	-	-	6.8, 8 (Turkeys)	-
Ostrich		Total N				4.8	
Fur animals		Total N	-	1.9	-	6.8	-
		TAN	-	2.7	-	-	-
Sheep and goats		Total N	-	-	-	3	-
Horses		Total N	-	-	-	3	-
Digestate		Total N	-	4.2	-	-	-
		TAN	-	5.5	-	-	-

Table 3D-5 EF for poultry for CH_4 from enteric fermentation, kg CH_4 per 1, 100 or 1000 heads

	Number of heads	CH_4 EF
Hens	100	1.061
Pullets (consumption), 112 days	100	0.285
Pullets (consumption), 118 days	100	0.300
Pullets (hatching), 119 days	100	0.303
Pullets (hatching), 140 days	100	0.356
Broilers:		
30 days	1 000	0.011
32 days	1 000	0.012
35 days	1 000	0.013
40 days	1 000	0.015
45 days	1 000	0.017
50 days	1 000	0.019
56 days	1 000	0.021
81 days (organic)	1 000	0.075
Other poultry		
Turkeys, male	100	0.008
Turkeys, hen	100	0.005
Ducks	100	0.002
Geese	100	0.004
Pheasant, chicken	1 000	0.004
Pheasant, hen	100	0.578
Ostrich, chicken	1	0.0003
Ostrich, hen	1	0.235

Table 3D-6 Parameters for winter feeding plans. (FC – feeding code, DM – dry matter, CP – crude protein, RF – raw fat, RA – raw ashes, CH carbohydrates)

		FC*	% DM*	% CP*	% RF*	% RA*	% CH*	FU/kg dm*	kg dm/day**	FU/day	MJ/day	GE_{FU}
Heifers:	Straw	781	85.0	4.0	1.9	4.5	89.6	0.2	33.4	7.7	571.8	
	Maize silage	593	31.0	8.7	2.2	4.2	84.9	0.9	57.5	48.9	1 009.0	
	Toasted soya	155	87.5	49.1	3.2	7.4	40.3	1.4	8.1	11.1	161.7	
	Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	99.0	67.7	1 742.4	25.8
		FC*	% DM*	% CP*	% RF*	% RA*	% CH*	FU/kg dm*	FU/day	MJ/day	GE_{FU}	
Suckling cows:	Straw	781	85.0	4.0	1.9	4.5	89.6	0.2	1.6	119.1		
Period 1 (2 mth)	Toasted soya	155	87.5	49.1	3.2	7.4	40.3	1.4	3.4	49.6		
	Barley	201	85.0	11.2	2.9	2.2	83.7	1.1	1.8	29.2		
Period 2 (4 mth)	Straw	781	85.0	4.0	1.9	4.5	89.6	0.2	3.2	238.2		
	Toasted soya	155	87.5	49.1	3.2	7.4	40.3	1.4	3.0	29.1		
	Barley	202	85.0	11.2	2.9	2.2	83.7	1.1	3.2	52.0		
	Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15.2	517.1	34.0	
Summer grazing	Clover grass, 2 weeks old	422	18.0	22.0	4.1	9.4	64.5	1.0	1.0	18.8		
	Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.0	18.8	18.8	
		FC*	% DM*	% CP*	% RF*	% RA*	% CH*	FU/kg dm*	Kg feed/day	FU/day	MJ/day	GE_{FU}
Horses:	Straw	781	85.0	4.0	1.9	4.5	89.6	0.2	4.0	0.8	58.2	
	Hay	665	85.0	12.1	2.6	7.7	77.6	0.6	3.0	1.6	44.0	
	Oat	202	86.0	12.1	5.7	2.7	79.5	0.9	2.5	2.0	40.1	
	Supplemental		86.4	15.4	4.3	6.6	73.7	1.0	1.0	0.9	15.5	
	Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.3	157.7	29.8
Sheep and Goats:	Straw	781	85.0	4.0	1.9	4.5	89.6	0.2	1.0	0.2	14.6	
	Toasted soya	155	87.5	49.1	3.2	7.4	40.3	1.4	0.1	0.1	1.8	
	Barley	202	85.0	11.2	2.9	2.2	83.7	1.1	0.4	0.4	6.2	
	Grass pills (dried)	707	92.0	17.0	3.1	11.0	68.9	0.6	1.0	0.6	15.7	
	Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.3	38.2	30.0
		% DM*	% CP*	% RF*	% RA*	% CH*	FU/kg dm*	MJ/day	GE_{FU}			
Swine: Full feeding	Sows	87.1	16.1	5.2	5.5	73.2	1.2	64.2	17.5			
	Weaners	87.4	18.8	5.7	5.5	70.0	1.3	2.1	16.5			
	Fattening pigs	86.9	17.0	4.7	5.1	73.3	1.2	9.6	17.3			

* Møller et al. (2000)

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Table 3D-7 Energy factors used for GE.

	MJ per kg dm	
	Cattle, horses, sheep and goats	Swine
$E_{Crude\ protein}$	24.2	23.7
$E_{Raw\ fat}$	34.1	38.9
$E_{Carbonhydrates}$	17.3	17.5

Table 3D-8 Feed intake 1990-2024, Dairy cattle; kg DM per cow per year, Others; FU per animal per year. https://envs.au.dk/en/faglige-omraader/luftforurening-udledninger-og-effekter/udledning-af-luftforurening/greenhouse-gases/supporting-documentation (most recently submitted values)

Table 3D-9 Grazing animals 1990 – 2024, number of days on grass per year. https://envs.au.dk/en/faglige-omraader/luftforurening-udledninger-og-effekter/udledning-af-luftforurening/greenhouse-gases/supporting-documentation (most recently submitted values)

Table 3D-10 Gross energy per kg DM for dairy cattle, 1990-2024, MJ per kg DM. https://envs.au.dk/en/faglige-omraader/luftforurening-udledninger-og-effekter/udledning-af-luftforurening/greenhouse-gases/supporting-documentation (most recently submitted values)

Table 3D-11 Average gross energy intake (GE) 1990 – 2024, MJ per head per day. https://envs.au.dk/en/faglige-omraader/luftforurening-udledninger-og-effekter/udledning-af-luftforurening/greenhouse-gases/supporting-documentation (most recently submitted values)

Table 3D-12 Implied Emission Factor of CH4 from enteric fermentation, 1990 – 2024. https://envs.au.dk/en/faglige-omraader/luftforurening-udledninger-og-effekter/udledning-af-luftforurening/greenhouse-gases/supporting-documentation (most recently submitted values)

Table 3D-13 Emission of CH_4 from enteric fermentation, 1990 – 2024. https://envs.au.dk/en/faglige-omraader/luftforurening-udledninger-og-effekter/udledning-af-luftforurening/greenhouse-gases/supporting-documentation (most recently submitted values)

Table 3D-14 VS daily excretion 1990 – 2024, kg DM per head per day. https://envs.au.dk/en/faglige-omraader/luftforurening-udledninger-og-effekter/udledning-af-luftforurening/greenhouse-gases/supporting-documentation (most recently submitted values)

Table 3D-15 Implied Emission Factor of CH4 from manure management, 1990 – 2024, https://envs.au.dk/en/faglige-omraader/luftforurening-udledninger-og-effekter/udledning-af-luftforurening/greenhouse-gases/supporting-documentation (most recently submitted values)

Table 3D-16 Emission of CH_4 from manure management, 1990 – 2024. https://envs.au.dk/en/faglige-omraader/luftforurening-udledninger-og-effekter/udledning-af-luftforurening/greenhouse-gases/supporting-documentation (most recently submitted values)

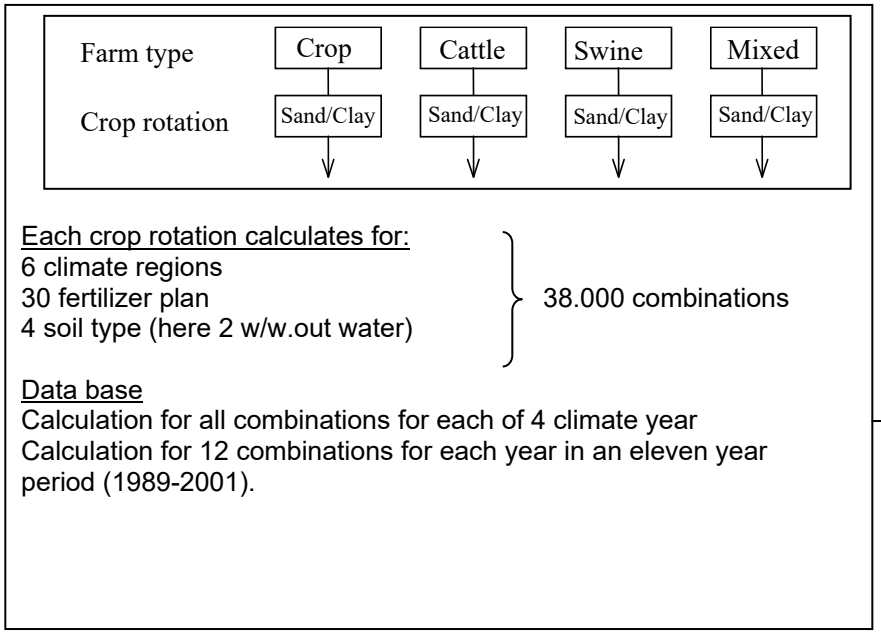
Table 3D-17 Area of agricultural land, 1990 – 2024, ha. https://envs.au.dk/en/faglige-omraader/luftforurening-udledninger-og-effekter/udledning-af-luftforurening/greenhouse-gases/supporting-documentation (most recently submitted values)

Table 3D-18 Above-ground residue dry matter $AG_{DM(T)}$ 1990-2024, kg DM per ha. https://envs.au.dk/en/faglige-omraader/luftforurening-udledninger-og-effekter/udledning-af-luftforurening/greenhouse-gases/supporting-documentation (most recently submitted values)

Nitrogen leaching and Run-off

Calculations of nitrogen lost by leaching from groundwater are based on two models described in Børgesen and Grant (2003) (in Danish). The model SKEP/DAISY is a dynamic model, N-LES is an empirical model, and SKEP is an up-scaling model. The SKEP/DAISY calculations were done for 10 scenarios (the years 1984, 1989 and 1995-2002) and the N-LES calculations were done for an 11-year period (1990-2000). Both calculations were up-scaled nationwide. The key parameters for the models were land use, nitrogen from synthetic fertilizer and manure, application practice for manure and NH_3 evaporation at application of manure (SKEP/DAISY only). The calculations were normalised to an average climate. A schematic overview of the models is seen below.

Basic DAISY calculations of N-leaching



Each crop rotation calculates for:
6 climate regions
30 fertilizer plan
4 soil type (here 2 w/w.out water)

} 38.000 combinations

Data base
Calculation for all combinations for each of 4 climate year
Calculation for 12 combinations for each year in an eleven year period (1989-2001).

N-LES calculations

Model calculations for the crop rotations and fertilizer planes in SKEP plus appurtenant percolations from the DAISY calculations. Model calculations for each of the eleven years in the period 1989-2001, mean of the eleven years is up scaled nationwide by SKEP

Up-scaling by the SKEP model

In the up scaling of DAISY calculations, a climate normalisation and yield correction is made

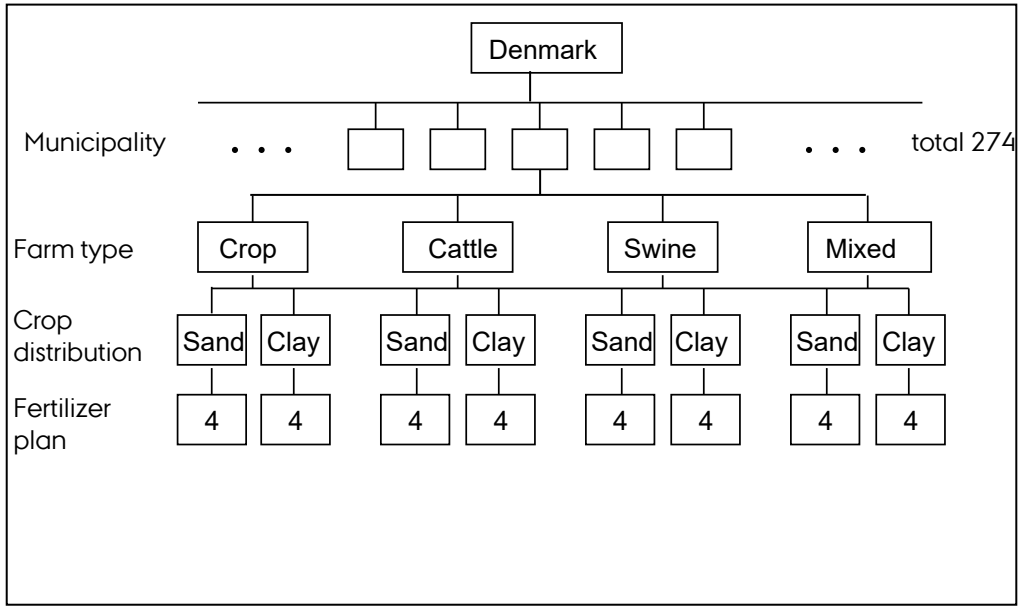


Figure 3D-1 Model calculation of nitrogen leaching from groundwater nationwide by SKEP/DAISY and N-LES.

Table 3D-19 QA/QC procedure, stage I – III.

Stage I: Check of input data	**Variable**	**Reference***
Livestock production	- number of animals	DSt + LFST
	- slaughter data	
Normative standards	- N-excretion	DCA
	- use of straw	
	- amount of manure	
	- feed intake	
	- milk yield	
Barn types	- distribution	SGAV + SEGES
Grazing days		SEGES
Crops	- land use	DSt
	- crop yield	
	- crop production	
Synthetic fertiliser	- N-content	SGAV
	- fertiliser types	
N-leaching	- amount of nitrogen leached	DCE
Atmospheric deposition	- all NH_3 emission sources	DCE – NH_3 inventory
Sewage sludge and industrial waste	- Amount of sludge applied to soils	DEPA + SGAV
Manure management	- manure delivered to biogas plants	DEA
Stage II: Check of IDA data – overall	**Variable**	**Comments**
Recalculation	- CO_2–eqv. total emission	- compared with latest submission
	- CH_4, N_2O, NMVOC	
	- emission from field burning	
Time series	- CO_2–eqv. total emission	- trends
	- CH_4, N_2O, NMVOC	- jumps and dips
	- emission from field burning	

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Stage III: Check of IDA data – specific	Variable	Comments
CH_4	- enteric fermentation	- IEF (jumps and dips) - Ym (dairy cattle + heifer) - GE
CH_4	- manure management	- IEF (jumps and dips) - VS - biogas
N_2O	- manure management	- trends (jumps and dips) - IEF - biogas
N_2O	- synthetic fertiliser	- trends (jumps and dips) - IEF
N_2O	- animal waste applied to soil	- trends (jumps and dips) - IEF
N_2O	- N-fixing crops	- trends (jumps and dips) - IEF
N_2O	- crop residue	- trends (jumps and dips) - IEF
N_2O	- pasture, range and paddock	- trends (jumps and dips) - IEF
N_2O	- atmospheric deposition	- trends (jumps and dips) - IEF
N_2O	- N-leaching and run-off	- trends (jumps and dips) - IEF
N_2O	- sewage sludge + industrial waste	- trends (jumps and dips) - IEF
NMVOC	- crops - manure management	- trends (jumps and dips)
NOx	- livestock - crops	
All compounds from field burning		- trends (jumps and dips)

DCE – Danish Centre for Environment and Energy,

DCA - Danish Centre for Food and Agriculture

DSt – Statistics Denmark

LFST – Danish Agricultural and Fisheries Agency

SGAV – Agency for Green Transition and Aquatic Environment

DEPA – Danish Environmental Protection Agency

DEA - The Danish Energy Agency

SEGES - SEGES Innovation

Chapter 3D-1 Biogas treatment of manure

Introduction

A significant and growing part of the Danish animal slurry is being used for production of biogas. The production uses anaerobic digestion of animal manure in combination with other biodegradable products, e.g. agricultural waste and slaughterhouse waste. Biogas treatment is important to include in the inventory, because the anaerobic digested slurry produces lower CH_4 and N_2O emission from storage.

Estimation of slurry treated in biogas plants in Denmark

In Denmark, the biogas plants are divided in five facility types: wastewater, industrial, landfills, large-scale plants (centralised multi farms) and farm-level plants. Large-scale biogas plants are larger facilities, where slurry is received from several farms and farm-level plants are characterised by receiving manure from one or a few farms. For 2024, the Energy Statistics estimated the total energy production based on biogas to 32 202 TJ (DEA, 2025a), and out of this, the manure-based biogas plants account for 92 %. The Energy Statistic provides data annually and thus data from all years 1990-2024 is available.

Table 3D-20 Biogas production, 2024 (DEA, 2025a).

Facility type	Biogas production, TJ	%
Wastewater treatment	1 147	4
Industrial	1 130	4
Large-scale and farm-scale	29 644	92
Other	281	1
Total	32 202	100

The livestock production mainly takes place in the western parts of Denmark in Jutland and consequently the majority of manure-based biogas plants are located here.

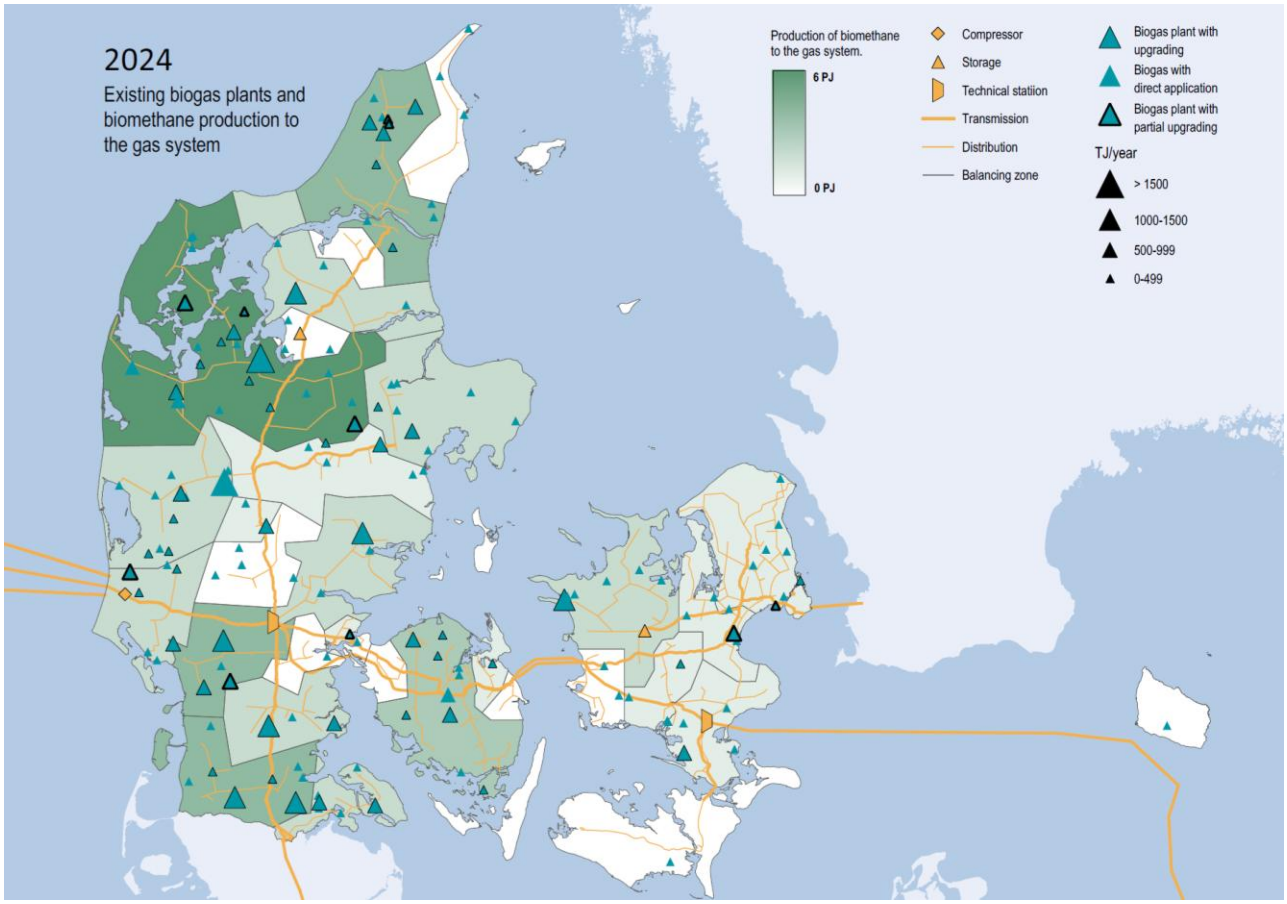


Figure 3D-2 Biogas producers in Denmark (DEA, 2024).

For the years 2015-2024, data for the actual amount and different types of biomasses delivered to the biogas plants is available. Data is collected by the Danish Energy Agency (DEA, 2025b), based on reporting from biogas plant and in the following, these data are referenced as the BIB-register, Biomass Input to Biogas production. The BIB register does not fully cover all biogas plants, but the most important biogas producers, and thus it covers the majority of the total biogas production.

Data regarding the amount of slurry delivered to biogas plants is available for the years 2001, 2003, 2015-2024. Data for year 2001 and 2003 is based on a single investigation provided by the DEA – the Danish Energy Agency, while the data for years 2015-2024 is based on the BIB – register. For the intervening years, 1990-2000, 2002 and 2004-2014, the data for amount of slurry delivered to the biogas production is based on an interpolation, by using the relation between the amount of slurry delivered and the total energy production produced at the biogas plants. The total energy production from biogas plants for all years is based on the Energy Statistics (DEA, 2025a).

In 1990, the biogas production at the large-scale, farm-level and industrial biogas plants is 266 TJ, which correspond to slurry input of 220 kt, increasing to 30 774 TJ and 13 302 kt slurry in 2024.

In 2024, around 38 % of total amount of slurry is delivered to biogas production, 48 % of the total amount of cattle slurry and 28 % for swine slurry.

Table 3D-21 Biogas production, 1990-2024.

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Biogas production, TJ[1]											
Total	752	1 758	2 912	3 830	4 337	6 285	21 152	26 176	28 977	31 800	32 202
Biogas plants*	266	746	1 442	2 375	3 184	5 199	19 937	24 787	27 475	30 328	30 774
Slurry delivered to biogas plants, kt[2]											
Cattle, swine and mixed	220	617	1 192	1 838	2 115	2 884	8 303	9 575	9 981	12 299	13 302
Percent of total produced slurry	1	2	4	6	6	7	21	25	27	36	38

* Large-scale, farm-level and industrial.
[1]DEA, (2025a).
[2]DEA, (2025b).

The anaerobic digestion process is sensitive to several factors, such as different biomass types and different combination of biomass input, nutrients concentration, species and concentration of bacteria, operational conditions for each biogas plants, etc. Uses of current data from the BIB register will to some extend take these variations from biogas plant into account, because the data is based on existing production management.

Chapter 3D-2 Estimation of methane emission from raw cattle and swine slurry and anaerobic digested animal manure

The estimation of CH_4 emission from cattle and swine slurry is based on a model including national variables. The model is used for estimation CH_4 emission from raw slurry as well as slurry which is delivered for anaerobic digestion in biogas plants. The CH_4 emission from cattle and swine slurry is estimated as a sum of CH_4 emission from barns, from outdoor stored raw cattle and swine slurry and from anaerobically digested biomass/primarily animal manure.

The model

The overall methodology for estimating the CH_4 emission from liquid animal manure and anaerobically digested biomass is based on the available amount of volatile substance (VS) in the biomass and the temperature dependent CH_4 formation functions (Van't-Hoof/Arrhenius equation) (Sommer et al., 2004). The model by Sommer et al. (2004) uses a 2-pooled concept for estimating the CH_4 emission from degradable VS (VSd) and from non-degradable VS (VSnd). To take into account a "decreasing" emission due to depletion of the VS in the manure in up to 8-9 months, a degradation model has been developed.

In Table 3D-22 is listed the estimated emission factor for barns, storage and digested, given in CH_4 emission per VS excreted.

The CH_4 emission factor in barns for swine is estimated to 549.83 g CH_4 per kg VS per year, based under the assumption that the average temperature is 18.6 °C. VS from barns is not divided in VSd and VSnd because the measured emission relates to the total amount of VS.

For cattle barns, the temperature varies through the year. The emission factor of 175.49 g CH_4 per kg VS per year is an average for a year. The period in which the cattle is on grass gives less manure in the barns and this is taken into account through amount of VS.

Methane emission from outdoor storage of not digested slurry is estimated in a matrix, where slurry is supplied and taken away with a time step of 10 days. The matrix sums the total methane emission until the decomposition of VS is almost null (around two years). The amount of VS supplied the storage is the total VS excretion from the animals and the straw used for bedding, subtracted VS-loss from barns. Removal of VSd and VSnd from storage is estimated for every time step and a new methane emission is calculated. For cattle slurry the estimation gives an emission of 73.55 g CH_4 per kg VS (VSd plus VSnd) and for swine slurry the estimation gives 94.09 g CH_4 per kg VS (VSd plus VSnd).

For estimation of methane emission from outdoor storage of digested slurry, the amount of digested slurry delivered to the biogas plants based on the BIB register is used. Same model as used for not digested slurry is used for digested slurry, though with a higher temperature in the storage after biogas treatment. The stored digested slurry has a high content of VSnd and the emission of methane is therefore low. The CH_4 emission factor from digested slurry is estimated to 3.45 g CH_4 per kg VS (VSd plus VSnd).

Table 3D-22 Estimated emission factors.

Cattle	g CH_4 per kg VS per year
EF_{barns}	175.49
$EFd_{storage}$	72.83
$EFnd_{storage}$	0.72
Swine	
EF_{barns}	549.83
$EFd_{storage}$	93.17
$EFnd_{storage}$	0.92
Digested	
$EFd_{storage, digested}$	3.42
$EFnd_{storage, digested}$	0.03

The further chapters will in more details describe the assumptions and data used for calculation for the CH_4 emissions factors.

Emission of CH_4 from barns

Emission from barns is based on the amount of volatile solids, estimated emission factor based on measurements (Petersen et al., 2016) and the time the manure is in the barns (HRT - Hydraulic Retention Time). See equation 3D-1.

$$E_{barns} = VS_{barns} \cdot (EF_{barns}/365) \cdot HRT \qquad \text{(Eq. 3D-1)}$$

Where:

E_{barns} = emission of CH_4 from barns, kg CH_4 per year
VS_{barns} = amount of volatile solids, kg VS per year, based on VS excreted, see Table 3D-14
EF_{barns} = emission factor for CH_4, g CH_4 per kg VS per year, based on measurements see Table 3D-22
365 = number of days per year
HRT = Hydraulic Retention Time, days, see Table 3D-25

Emission of CH_4 from storage of slurry

CH_4 emission from storage of slurry is estimated as VS in storage multiplied by EF where VS is divided in VS degradable (VSd) and VS non-degradable[1] (VSnd). The emission is calculated for storage of raw cattle slurry, raw swine slurry and digested manure.

$$E_{Storage} = VSd_{storage} \cdot EFd_{storage} + VSnd_{storage} \cdot EFnd_{storage} \quad \text{(Eq. 3D-2)}$$

Where:

$E_{storage}$ = emission of CH_4 from storage slurry, kg CH_4
$VSd_{storage}$ = amount of degradable volatile solids, see Eq. 3D-3
$EFd_{storage}$ = emission factor for CH_4 for degradable VS, see Table 3D-22
$VSnd_{storage}$ = amount of non-degradable volatile solids, see Eq. 3D-4
$EFnd_{storage}$ = emission factor for CH_4 for degradable VS, see Table 3D-22

Estimation of VSd and VSnd in storage are estimated as:

$$VSd_{storage} = VS_{barns} \cdot w - (VS_{barns} \cdot w \cdot x \cdot HRT) \quad \text{(Eq. 3D-3)}$$

Where:

VS_{barns} = amount of volatile solids, kg VS per year, based on VS excreted, see Table 3D-14
w = amount of VS there is degradable, kg VSd per kg VS, see Table 23
x = amount of VSd lost, kg VSd per HRT day, see Table 23
HRT = Hydraulic Retention Time, days, see Table 3D- 25

$$VSnd_{storage} = VS_{barns} \cdot y - (VS_{barns} \cdot y \cdot z \cdot HRT) \quad \text{(Eq. 3D-4)}$$

Where:

VS_{barns} = amount of volatile solids, kg VS per year, based on VS excreted, see Table 3D-14
y = amount of VS there is non-degradable, kg VSnd per kg VS, see Table 23
z = amount of VSnd lost, kg VSnd per HRT day, see Tabel 23
HRT = Hydraulic Retention Time, days, see Table 3D-25

Table 3D-23 Factors for VS.

Cattle	Unit	
w	kg VSd per kg VS	0.33[a]
x	kg VSd per HRT day	0.0028
y	kg VSnd per kg VS	0.67[a]
z	kg VSnd per HRT	0.000058
Swine		
w	kg VSd per kg VS	0.51[a]
x	kg VSd per HRT day	0.0101
y	kg VSnd per kg VS	0.49[a]
z	kg VSnd per HRT	0.000097

[a] Petersen et al (2016)

Parameters for Arrhenius function

For the CH_4 calculation, a model based on VS quantity and degradability and temperature was used (Sommer et al., 2004). The parameters for Arrhenius

[1] Non-degradable could also be refed to as low-degradable because a small decomposition is possible.

function are based on Petersen et al. (2016), Elsgaard et al. (2016) and Maldaner et al. (2018). Equation 3D-5 shows the calculation of CH_4 emission form slurry F(T), VSd and $VSnd$ are the proportions of degradable and "non-degradable" VS. The ln$A$ is the pre-exponential factor (≈ methane production potential) and Ea the activation energy of methanogenesis, while R is the universal gas constant and T is the absolute temperature.

$$F(T) = \left(VS_d * b_1 * \exp\left(lnA - E_a * \left(\frac{1}{RT}\right)\right) + VS_{nd} * b_2 * \exp\left(lnA - E_a * \left(\frac{1}{RT}\right)\right)\right) \cdot 24 \qquad \text{(Eq. 3D-5)}$$

Where:

F(T)	= the methane production rate, g CH_4 per day
VSd	= the proportions of degradable volatile solids, kg
VSnd	= the proportions of non-degradable volatile solids, kg
b1 and b2	= scaling factors, 1 for VSd and 0.01 for VSnd (dimension-less)
lnA	= the pre-exponential factor (≈ methane production potential), g CH_4 per kg VS per h
Ea	= the activation energy of methanogenesis, J per mol
R	= the gas constant, 8.314 J per mol per K
T	= temperature, K
24	= conversion from hour to day

Ea: An activation energy, Ea, of 81 kJ per mol was proposed by Elsgaard et al. (2016) which represented the temperature response of a cattle slurry, a swine slurry, fresh digestate and stored digestate (no significant differences).

Ln*A*: The parameter ln*A* reflects a potential for CH_4 production that is influenced by the chemical and biological characteristics of the slurry, which in Petersen et al. (2016) is derived for 20 samples of swine slurry and 11 samples cattle slurry. In average the observed ln*A* was 31.3 and 31.2 g CH_4 kg-1 VS h-1 for pig and cattle slurry, respectively. For digestate the observed lnA were 27.9 g CH_4 kg-1 VS h-1.

VS – volitale solid: The amount of excreted dry matter is taken from the Danish Normative Standards for animal manure (data included in IDA). The share of VS of dry matter is set as a default to 80 % as used in the agricultural inventories (Sommer et al., 2008, Sommer et al., 2013).

VSd and VSnd: In the model for estimating the CH_4 emission a 2-pooled model is used, dividing the VS in VSd and VSnd (Tong et al., 1990, Sommer et al., 2004). The share of VSd and VSnd has for the purpose of the inventories been estimated by Petersen et al. (2016) for swine (sow, weaners and fattening pigs) and cattle slurry (mainly dairy cattle slurry). The manure samples were taken in barns in full production and can thus be seen as normal farming practise. Petersen et al. (2016) estimated the average age of the swine slurry to 13-15 days and the cattle slurry to around 20-30 days. The slurry samples can therefore be seen as quite fresh manure with only little degradation.

Petersen et al. (2016) sampled 20 swine slurry samples and 11 dairy cattle slurry samples and estimated the VSd. For swine manure they found an average VSd of 51 % (95 % Confidence Interval: 44 – 57 %) and for slurry for dairy cattle a VSd of 33 % (95 % Confidence Interval: 29 – 37 %).

Møller and Moset (2015) has measured dry matter and VS in digested manure from eight biogas plants. They found an average dry matter in the digested manure of 4.88 % were VS of dry matter in average were 3.32 %. Møller (2016) has measured the B0-value of the digestate from the continuous biogas plants to 13.8 m3 CH4 per kg VS indicating that a major part of the digestate is non-degradable.

In Table 3D-24 is shown the used parameters.

Table 3D-24 CH_4 emission estimate parameters. Petersen et al. (2016) combined with Elsgaard et al. (2016) and Maldaner et al. (2018).

	Ea, kJ per mol	Ln(A), g CH_4 per kg VS per hour	VSd, %	VSnd, %
Liquid cattle manure	81	31.2	33	67
Liquid swine manure	81	31.3	51	49
Digestate	81	27.9	100[a]	0

[a]For digestate, the model parameter is set to 100 mimicking that all VS is degradable.

Degradation function

Based on literature data and unpublished research data it was estimated that the C loss from manure stores constitutes roughly of 20 % CH_4-C and 80 % CO_2-C (Dinuccion et al., 2008). In the emission estimate a conservative figure of 25 % is used. Beside this Patni and Jui (1987) found 10-25 % losses of dry matter during storage of dairy cattle slurry supporting that a high share of loss of VS is taken place as CO_2 as this is not lost as CH_4. For effluent from digested animal manure, Wang et al. (2016) found very low CH_4/CO_2 ratios at around 3-4 % (unpublished data received from Yue Wang). For the digestate, an estimate for CH_4-C/CO_2-C fraction of 10 % is used (Dong, 2013, Pers. Comm.).

The CH_4/degradation model was built in an excel spreadsheet with a time step of 10 days.

Danish barn systems and Hydraulic Retention Time (HRT)

Barn systems change over time. For cattle there was a high share of tied-up dairy cattle with liquid handling and frequent removal of the slurry in the 1990'ties, these were later replaced by cubicles combined with slats and in recent years cubicles with scrapers are becoming more common. This affects time the manure is stored. The most common barn system for swine has until recently been fully slatted floors. A ban on fully slatted floors forced the farmers to build partly slatted floors/drained floors. This has reduced the storage capacity below the slats and affects time swine slurry is stored.

The average storage time is named the Hydraulic Retention Time (HRT). HRT is the average time slurry is stored in a barn system before being discharged to an outside storage tank or transported to a biogas plant. For the purpose of the Danish inventories, Kai (2024) has estimated the HRT for all barn types for cattle and swine with liquid manure mentioned in the Danish Normative Standards. See Table 3D-25 a-b.

The HRTs were calculated as follows: 1) first the total amount of slurry ex barn was calculated by adding volumes of manure excreted with bedding and water waste, 2) then the daily increase in slurry level was calculated based on the

calculated slurry production per day per animal and the estimated slurry surface area per animal place (AP) in the livestock barn system, 3) the average slurry level was estimated taking into account the slurry level at the time of discharge and the residual slurry after discharge, and finally 4) the HRT was calculated (Kai, 2024).

In the emission estimate, it is assumed that all manure, regardless of whether it is used for anaerobic digestion or not, is having the same HRT. There are not available data that prove farms delivering manure to anaerobic digestion are emptying their slurry channels more frequently than farmers who are not.

From 1. May 2023 are the farmers with fattening pigs obliged to frequently remove the slurry from the barns. HRT are estimated by Kai (2024) for before the obligated frequently removal and after. HRT in 2023 a weighted average with 1/3 HRT before frequently removal and 2/3 after frequently removal. In 2024 it is by the Danish Ministry of Environment and Gender Equality (Tougaard, 2024) estimated that 1 % of the fattening pigs are in barns with exemption for the frequently removal. See Table 3D-25b.

Table 3D-25 a Hydraulic Retention Time (HRT) (Kai, 2024).

Livestock categories	Barn type	HRT, days
Dairy cattle	Tethered with urine and solid manure	1
	Tethered with slurry	4
	Loose-housing with cubicles, solid floor	1
	Loose-housing with cubicles, slatted floor	36
	Loose-housing with cubicles, slatted floor, scrape	2
	Loose-housing with cubicles, drained floor	1
	Loose-housing with cubicles, solid floor with tilt	1
	Deep litter, long eating space, solid floor	1
	Deep litter, long eating space, slatted floor, slurry channels	32
	Deep litter, long eating space, slatted floor, scraper	1
Heifer, 6 mth.-calving	Slatted floor-boxes	93
	Tethered with urine and solid manure	1
	Tethered with slurry	17
	Loose-housing with cubicles, solid floor	2
	Loose-housing with cubicles, slatted floor	88
	Loose-housing with cubicles, slatted floor, scrape	2
	Loose-housing with cubicles, solid floor with tilt	2
	Deep litter, long eating space, solid floor	2
	Deep litter, long eating space, slatted floor, slurry channels	111
	Deep litter, long eating space, slatted floor, scraper	2

Continued		
Bulls, 6 mth - 440 kg	Slatted floor-boxes	124
	Tethered with urine and solid manure	1
	Tethered with slurry	22
	Loose-housing with cubicles, solid floor	3
	Loose-housing with cubicles, slatted floor	126
	Loose-housing with cubicles, slatted floor, scrape	3
	Loose-housing with cubicles, solid floor with tilt	3
	Deep litter, long eating space, solid floor	2
	Deep litter, long eating space, slatted floor, slurry channels	111
	Deep litter, long eating space, slatted floor, scraper	2
Suckling cattle	Tethered with urine and solid manure	1
	Tethered with slurry	15
	Loose-housing with cubicles, slatted floor	135
	Loose-housing with cubicles, slatted floor, scrape	3
	Loose-housing with cubicles, solid floor with tilt	3
	Deep litter, long eating space, solid floor	3
	Deep litter, long eating space, slatted floor, slurry channels	166
	Deep litter, long eating space, slatted floor, scraper	3
Sows, gestation period	Group-housing, deep litter + solid floor	2
	Group-housing, deep litter + slatted floor	19
	Group-housing, partly slatted floor	13
	Individual housing, partly slatted floor	23
	Individual housing, fully slatted floor	36
	Individual housing, solid floor	1
Sows, farrow period	Individual housing, partly slatted floor	23
	Individual housing, fully slatted floor	28
	Group-housing, solid floor	1
	Group-housing, partly slatted floor	13
Weaners	Fully slatted floor	36
	Partly slatted floor	36
	Solid floor	1
	Two-climate housings, partly slatted floor	16
	Partly slatted and drained floor	36

Table 3D-25b Hydraulic Retention Time (HRT) for fattening pigs (Kai, 2024).

Livestock categories	Barn type	HRT, days		
		1990-2022	2023	2024
Fattening pigs	Fully slatted floor	20	-	-
	Partly slatted floor	15	-	-
	Partly slatted floor (50-75 % solid floor)	9	7	6
	Partly slatted floor (25-49 % solid floor)	15	7	6
	Solid floor	1	1	1
	Partly slatted floor and partly deep litter	11	8	6
	Partly slatted and drained floor	20	12	9

Temperatures

In the following text estimation of temperatures for swine and cattle slurry in the barns and outdoor storage is described.

Insulated swine barns

Only few measured slurry temperatures inside the barns can be found in the literature. However, SEGES (Holm, 2015) has provided result from 48 measurements in barns with fattening pigs, made at different times of the year. Based on these measurements an average slurry temperature of 18.6 °C (16.0-21.8 °C) is found, with a standard deviation of 1.29. The highest temperatures were measured in summer. When the average outdoor temperature was 16-17 °C the slurry temperature tended to be around 19 °C. In winter when the average outdoor temperature was around 2-5 °C the slurry temperature was 17-18 °C. Another study (Petersen et al., 2016) has measured slurry temperatures in 27 different swine barns in November and December 2014 in connection with the CH_4 emission parameterisation and found an average temperature of 18.7 °C. The results from the theses two studies do not vary significantly from each other. The average temperature in swine barns of 18.6 °C based on the study form Holm et al. (2015), with the highest number of measurements, are used for calculation of the CH_4 emission from swine barns.

Open cattle barns

Most cattle barns in Denmark are naturally ventilated. Inside the barns the air temperature is generally 5-6 °C higher than the outdoor temperature. In Figure 3D-3 is shown result of temperature measurements of slurry inside the slurry channels, based on a study from 2017 and 2018 (Andersen and Grønkjær, 2020). Temperature measurements were carried out in two cattle barns; one in the Southern Denmark and the other one in the Northern Denmark, with logging 2-5 times per day. These temperature measurements are combined and converted to a sine-wave representing the slurry temperature for Danish cattle barns (Figure 3D-3).

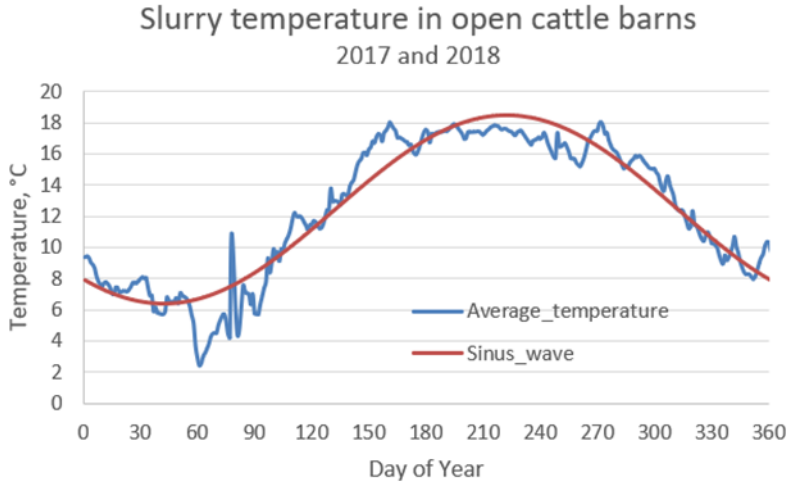


Figure 3D-3 Average daily measured slurry temperature in two cattle barns in 2017 and 2018 (Andersen and Grønkjær, 2020).

Table 3D-26 shows given the parameters for the Sine-function, which estimates the daily average slurry temperatures.

Table 3D-26 Parameters for the Sine-function (y=a+ b sin (2πx/d+c)) for slurry temperature.

R^2 = 0.92					
Parameter	Value	Std Error	t-value	95% confidence limits	
a	12.45	0.087	142.64	12.28	12.62
b	6.04	0.098	61.55	5.84	6.23
c	3.97	0.046	86.73	3.89	4.07
d	360.08	4.209	85.55	351.80	368.35

Outdoor storage temperatures

Temperature in outdoor storage of slurry are based on data from two projects where temperature was measured in slurry tanks in Denmark (Vechi et al., 2023, Kasper & Holm, 2024). These have been combined and converted to a sine-wave representing cattle slurry, swine slurry and digestate, respectively.

Vechi et al. (2023) measured temperature in ten manure storage tanks. The dataset included two tanks storing dairy cattle manure, six holding swine manure, and two with digestate from manure-based biogas plants. For each storage the temperature was measured a number of times over a year. In the further data process the average temperature per month for cattle slurry, swine slurry and digestate, respectively, were estimated.

Kasper & Holm (2024) measured temperature in 16 manure storage tanks. The dataset included four tanks storing dairy cattle manure, six holding swine manure, two with acidified swine manure, and four with digestate from manure-based biogas plants. Four of them (two cattle and two swine) were measurements in the surface, so these were left out of further data processing. Temperatures in swine manure and acidified swine manure were compared and found almost identical and therefore were acidified swine manure in the further data processing considered as swine manure. Average temperature per month were estimated for cattle slurry, swine slurry and digestate, respectively.

The monthly data from the two projects combined by making averages for cattle slurry, swine slurry and digestate, respectively and converted to a sine-waves. In Table 3D-27 a-c are shown the parameters for the Sine-functions, which estimates the daily average slurry temperatures for stored cattle slurry, swine slurry and digestate.

Table 3D-27a Parameters for the Sine-function (y=a+ b sin (2πx/d+c)) for temperature for stored cattle slurry.

R^2 = 0.92					
Parameter	Value	Std Error	t-value	95% confidence limits	
a	12.33	0.155	179.70	12.01	12.66
b	5.12	0.205	25.06	4.69	5.55
c	3.84	0.092	41.78	3.65	4.04
d	363.43	4.342	83.71	354.30	372.56

Table 3D-27b Parameters for the Sine-function (y=a+ b sin (2πx/d+c)) for temperature for stored swine slurry.

R^2 = 0.92					
Parameter	Value	Std Error	t-value	95% confidence limits	
a	12.58	0.071	177.99	12.44	12.73
b	6.80	0.098	69.70	6.60	7.00
c	3.93	0.031	126.86	3.87	4.00
d	365.24	0.938	389.39	363.34	367.14

Table 3D-27c Parameters for the Sine-function (y=a+ b sin (2πx/d+c)) for temperature for stored digistate.

R^2 = 0.92					
Parameter	Value	Std Error	t-value	95% confidence limits	
a	16.60	0.331	50.13	15.93	17.28
b	6.22	0.462	16.47	5.28	7.16
c	3.78	0.157	24.09	3.46	4.10
d	363.80	5.043	72.13	353.53	374.08

Manure storage and application to fields

The Ministry of Environment and Food of Denmark regulate the storage time and the secondary field application of raw biomass and digested biomass. The general rule is that manure is only allowed to be applied to crops, which have a nitrogen norm and is harvested the same calendar year. Only crops with an official nitrogen norm are allowed to be fertilised.

It means that autumn application is not allowed as these crops are not harvested within the calendar year. The storage manure capacity is therefore 8-10 months including eventually storage capacity inside the barns.

Field application of manure is not allowed before February 1st and not on frozen or snow-covered areas. Because of difficulties for driving in the fields the optimum application time is March and April, plus some application to grass cuttings during summer. Data from the farmers registration and planning tool MarkOnline are by SEGES (Birkmose, 2020) used to estimate the share of manure applied for each month of the year. These data are used to estimate the fraction of annual manure production there are stored in the for each month of the year. A general average storage profile for animal manure storages is shown in Figure 3D-6. The figure shows that the maximum storage is in February and the minimum in May. Slurry is generally stored in four-meter-deep concrete tanks where two meters are above ground and two meters below ground. As it is not possible to empty the tanks completely (crust cover) it is assumed that around 8 % of the annual production is the minimum amount stored in May.

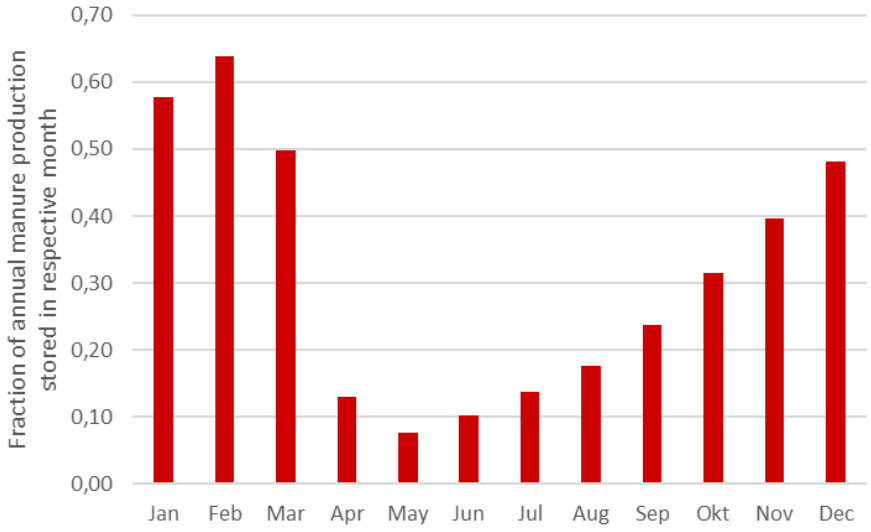


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Equation	Description
$X_j = \frac{A_j}{A_{15,j}}$	The forest percentage (X) of the *j*th sample plot (SSU) is estimated as the forested area (*A*) divided by the total area of the 15 m radius sample plot ($A_{15,j}$).
$\overline{X}_Z = \frac{1}{n_Z}\sum_Z X_j R_j$	Average forest percentage ($\overline{X}$) of all inventoried plots (SSU) with forest status *Z* based on aerial photos. R_j is an indicator variable that is 1 for inventoried plots and 0 otherwise. n_Z is the number of inventoried plots identified as forest or OWL from the air photos.
$\overline{\overline{X}} = \frac{1}{n}\left(\sum_{j=1}^{n} X_j R_j + N_{21}X_1 + N_{22}X_2\right)$	Overall average forest percentage ($\overline{\overline{X}}$). *n* is the total number of inventoried and non-inventoried sample plots. N_{21} and N_{22} is the number of non-inventoried sample plots with forest and OWL, respectively.
$A_{Forest} = \overline{\overline{X}} \cdot A_{Total}$	Total forest area. A_{Total} is the total land area, $\overline{\overline{X}}$ is the estimated forest percentage and A_{Forest} is the total forest area.

Table 3E.2 Estimation of forest area with a specific characteristic.

Equation	Description
$X_k = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^{n} R_{jk} A_j}{\sum_{j=1}^{n} A_j}$	Proportion of the forest area with a given characteristic (X_k). R_{jk} is an indicator variable which is 1 if the the forest area on the *j*'th sample plots has the *k*'th characteristic and 0 otherwise. A_j is the sample plot area and *n* is the total number of inventoried sample plots with forest cover.
$A_k = \overline{X}_k \cdot A_{Forest}$	Total area with a given characteristic (A_k). $\overline{X}_k$ is the estimated proportion of the forest area with the *k*'th characteristic and A_{Forest} is the total forest area.

Table 3E.3 Estimation of diameter-height equations.

Equation	Description
$h_{ij} = 13 + \left(\overline{h}_j - 13\right)\cdot \exp\left(\alpha_1 \cdot \left(1 - \frac{\overline{d}_j}{d_{ij}}\right) + \alpha_2 \cdot \left(\frac{1}{\overline{d}_j} - \frac{1}{d_{ij}}\right)\right)$	Site specific dh-regression for calculating height of trees not measured for height. h_{ij} and d_{ij} is the height and diameter of the i'th tree on the j'th sample plot. $\overline{h}_j$ and $\overline{d}_j$ are the average height and diameter of trees measured for height on the *j*th sample plot. α_1 and α_2 are species and growth-region specific parameters
$h_{ij} = 13 + \beta_1 \cdot \exp(-\frac{\beta_2}{d_{ij}})$	General dh-regression for calculating height of trees not measured for height. h_{ij} and d_{ij} is the height and diameter of the i'th tree on the j'th sample plot. β_1 and β_2 are species and growth-region specific parameters

Table 3E.4 Estimation of quadratic mean diameter.

Equation	Description
$g_{ij} = \frac{\pi}{4} d_{ij}^2$	Basal area (*g*) of the *i*th tree on the *j*th plot is calculated from the diameter at breast height (*d*) (1.3 m above ground) assuming a circular stem form.
$G_j = \sum_{i=1}^{m} \frac{1}{A_{c,ij}} g_{ij}$	Basal area per hectare (*G*) the jth sample plot is calculated as the scaled sum of individual tree basal areas. Basal area (*g*) of the *i*th tree on the *j*th sample plot is scaled according to the plot area ($A_{c,ij}$) of the *c*'th concentric circle (c=3,5; 10; 15 m).
$N_j = \sum_{i=1}^{m} \frac{1}{A_{c,ij}}$	Stem number per hectare (*N*) the *j*th sample plot is calculated as the scaled number of individual trees. The *i*th tree on the *j*th sample plot is scaled according to the plot area ($A_{c,ij}$) of the *c*'th concentric circle (c=3,5; 10; 15 m).
$D_{g,j} = \sqrt{\frac{4}{\pi} \frac{G_j}{N_J}}$	The mean squared diameter is calculated from the calculated basal area and stem number for each plot.

Table 3E.5 Estimation of biomass and carbon of trees.

Equation	Description
$v_{ij} = F(d_{ij}, h_{ij}, D_{g,j})$	The volume (*v*) of the *i*'th tree on the *j*th sample plots is calculated using the existing volume functions (*F*) using the tree diameter and height and the quadratic mean diameter.
$B_{ij} = V_{ij} \cdot Density_{ij}$	Biomass (*B*) of the *i*th tree on the *j*th sample plot is estimated as the total volume (V_{Tot}) times the species-specific density.
$E_{ij} = F(d_{ij}, h_{ij})$	Expansion factor model for beech and Norway spruce
$v_{tot,ij} = B_{ij} \cdot E_{ij}$	The total above and below ground volume (v_{tot}) of the ith tree on the jth sample plot. B_{ij} is the calculated aboveground biomass of the tree and *E* is the expansion factor.
$C_{ij} = B_{ij} \cdot 0.5$	Carbon of the *i*th tree on the *j*th sample plot is calculated as the biomass (*B*) times 0.5.

Table 3E.6 Estimation of total biomass and carbon pools.

Equation	Description
$V_{cj} = \frac{1}{A_{cj}} \sum_{i=1}^{m} R_{c,i} v_{ij}$	Volume, biomass or carbon per hectare (V) of the cth concentric circle on the jth sample plot (c=3,5; 10; 15 m). R_c is an indicator variable that is 1 if the ith tree is measured on the cth circle and 0 otherwise. $A_{c,ij}$ is the area of the jth sample plot and cth concentric circle; m is the number of trees on the jth sample plot.
$\overline{V}_c = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^{n} A_{cj} V_{cj}}{\sum_{j=1}^{n} A_{cj}}$	The average area weighted volume, biomass or carbon per hectare ($\overline{V}$) of the cth concentric circle. $A_{c,ij}$ is the area of the jth sample plot and cth concentric circle; n is the number of sample plots.
$\overline{\overline{V}} = \overline{V}_{3,5} + \overline{V}_{10} + \overline{V}_{15}$	The overall average volume, biomass or carbon per hectare ($\overline{\overline{V}}$) is estimated as the sum of the average volume, biomass or carbon per hectare ($\overline{V_c}$) for the three concentric circles (c=3.5, 10 and 15)
$V = \overline{\overline{V}} \cdot A_{Skov}$	Total volume, biomass or carbon V is the overall average volume, biomass or carbon per hectare ($\overline{\overline{V}}$) times the forest area A_{Forest}.

Table 3E.7 Estimation of biomass and carbon with a given characteristic.

Equation	Description
$V_{cj,k} = \frac{1}{A_{cj}} \sum_{i=1}^{m} R_{c,ij} R_{k,ij} v_{ij}$	Volume, biomass or carbon per hectare (V) with the kth characteristic of the cth concentric circle on the jth sample plot (c=3,5; 10; 15 m). R_c is an indicator variable that is 1 if the ith tree is measured on the cth circle and 0 otherwise. R_k is an indicator variable that is 1 if the tree has kth characteristic and 0 otherwise. $A_{c,ij}$ is the area of the jth sample plot and cth concentric circle; m is the number of trees on the jth sample plot.
$\overline{V}_{c,k} = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^{n} A_{cj} V_{cj,k}}{\sum_{j=1}^{n} A_{cj}}$	The average area weighted volume, biomass or carbon per hectare ($\overline{V}$) with the kth characteristic of the cth concentric circle. $A_{c,ij}$ is the area of the jth sample plot and cth concentric circle; m is the number of trees on the jth sample plot.
$\overline{\overline{V}}_k = \overline{V}_{3,5,k} + \overline{V}_{10,k} + \overline{V}_{15,k}$	The overall average volume, biomass or carbon per hectare with the kth characteristic ($\overline{\overline{V}}$) is estimated as the sum of the average volume, biomass or carbon per hectare ($\overline{V}_{c,k}$) for the three concentric circles (c=3.5, 10 and 15)
$V_k = \overline{\overline{V}}_k \cdot A_{Forest}$	Total volume, biomass or carbon with the k^{th} characteristic (V_k) is the overall average volume, biomass or carbon per hectare ($\overline{\overline{V}}_k$) times the forest area A_{Forest}.

Table 3E.8 Estimation of biomass and carbon content of dead wood.

Equation	Description
$v_{s,ij} = F(d_{s,ij}, h_{s,ij}, D_{g,j})$	The volume (v_s) of the *i*th standing, dead tree on the *j*th sample plots is calculated using the existing volume functions (F) using the tree diameter and height and the squared mean diameter.
$v_{l,ij} = \frac{\pi}{4} d_{l,ij}^2 \cdot l_{l,ij}$	Volume of lying dead trees (v_l) is calculated as the length (l) and the ith tree on the jth sample plot times the cross sectional area. The cross sectional area is calculated from the mid-diameter (d_l) of the dead wood.
$B_{s,ij} = v_{s,ij} \cdot D_{ij} \cdot r_{k,ij}$ $B_{l,ij} = v_{l,ij} \cdot D_{ij} \cdot r_{k,ij}$	Biomass of the *i*th standing (B_s) or lying (B_l) tree on the jth sample plot is calculated as the volume (v_s or v_l) times the species specific density (D) and a the *k*th reduction factor according to the structural decay of the wood observed in the field.
$B_{s,tot,ij} = B_{s,ij} \cdot E_{ij}$	The total above and below ground volume ($B_{s,tot}$) of the *i*th standing, dead tree on the *j*th sample plot. v_s is the calculated biomass of the tree and E is the expansion factor.
$K_{s,ij} = B_{s,ij} \cdot 0.5$ $K_{l,ij} = B_{l,ij} \cdot 0.5$	Carbon in standing or lying dead wood (C_s or C_l) is calculated as the biomass (B_s or B_l) times 0.5.

Table 3E.9 Estimation of total biomass and carbon pools of dead wood.

Equation	Description
$V_{D,cj} = \frac{1}{A_{cj}} \sum_{i=1}^{m} R_c v_{s,ij} + R_c v_{l,ij}$	Deadwood volume, biomass or carbon pools per hectare (V_D) for the *c*th circle and the *j*th sample plot. v_s and v_l is the volume of standing and lying deadwood respectively. R_c is an indicator variable that is 1 if the tree is measured in the *c*th circle and 0 otherwise. A_C is the sample plot area of the *c*th circle. m is the number of trees within the *j*th sample plot.
$\overline{V}_{D,c} = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^{n} A_{cj} V_{cj}}{\sum_{j=1}^{n} A_{cj}}$	The average area weighted deadwood volume, biomass or carbon per hectare ($\overline{V}_D$) of the cth concentric circle. $A_{c,ij}$ is the area of the jth sample plot and cth concentric circle; n is the number of sample plots.
$\overline{\overline{V}}_D = \overline{V}_{D,3,5} + \overline{V}_{D,10} + \overline{V}_{D,15}$	The overall average deadwood volume, biomass or carbon per hectare ($\overline{\overline{V}}_D$) is estimated as the sum of the average volume, biomass or carbon per hectare ($\overline{V}_{D,c}$) for the three concentric circles (c=3.5, 10 and 15)
$V_D = \overline{\overline{V}}_D \cdot A_{Forest}$	Total deadwood volume, biomass or carbon V_D is the overall average deadwood volume, biomass or carbon per hectare ($\overline{\overline{V}}_D$) times the forest area A_{Forest}.

Table 3E.10 Estimation of forest floor carbon.

Equation	Description
$C_{floor,s,j} = Depth_j \cdot A_j \cdot B_s \cdot F_{s,j}$	Forest floor carbon ($C_{floor,s,j}$) of the *s*th species, on the *j*th plot with an area of *A*. B_s is the species specific forest floor density and *F* is the fraction of species *s*.
$C_{floor,j} = \sum_{s=1}^{k} C_{floor,s,j}$	Total forest floor carbon on the jth plot.
$C_{floor} = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^{n} C_{floor,j}}{\sum_{j=1}^{n} A_j} \cdot A_{Forest}$	Total forest floor carbon is estimated as the area weighted average forest floor carbon content times the total forest area.

Table 3E.11 Crops grown in 2022 distributed on regions, in ha. https://envs.au.dk/en/research-areas/air-pollution-emissions-and-effects/air-emissions/greenhouse-gases/supporting-documentation (Statistics Denmark, 2024: AFG5).

Table 3E.12 Crop yield in 2022 distributed on regions, in Hkg per ha. https://envs.au.dk/en/research-areas/air-pollution-emissions-and-effects/air-emissions/greenhouse-gases/supporting-documentation (Statistics Denmark, 2024: HST77).

Table 3E.13 Area input to C-TOOL in 2022 in hectares. https://envs.au.dk/en/research-areas/air-pollution-emissions-and-effects/air-emissions/greenhouse-gases/supporting-documentation

Table 3E.14 Average annual temperatures for Denmark, 1977-2022, °C https://envs.au.dk/en/research-areas/air-pollution-emissions-and-effects/air-emissions/greenhouse-gases/supporting-documentation (Danish Meteorological Institute, 2024).

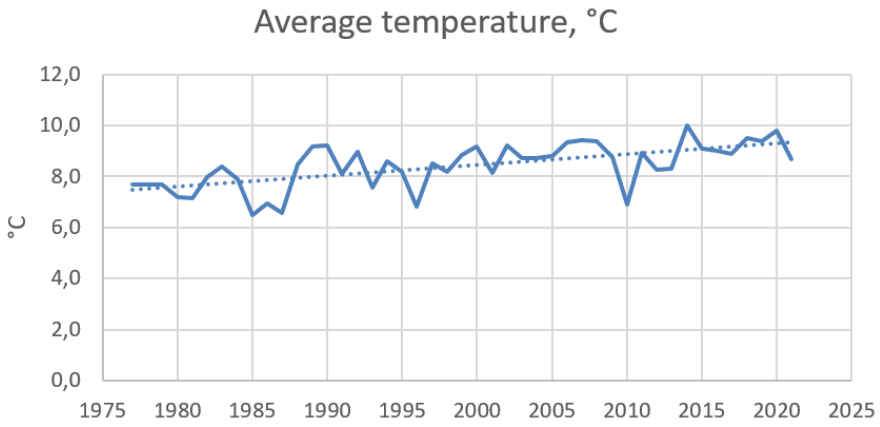


Figure 3E.1 Average annual temperatures for Denmark, 1977-2024, °C. (The Danish Meteorological Institute, 2026).

Hedgerows

Since the beginning of the early 1930s, governmental subsidiaries have been given to increase the area with hedgerows to reduce soil erosion. In the 1950-60's, 6-9 million single rowed confers, mainly white spruce *(Picea glauca*), were

planted annually. From around 1965, the annual rate decreased sharply to almost zero. Instead, new hedges were made of broadleaved trees/plants but only around 2-3 million trees annually. This can be converted to annually financial support given to approximately 400-800 km of hedgerow. From 2014, only minor subsidized areas have been erected. Currently there is a small annual governmental subsidy available for approximately 100 ha per year.

The new updated LiDAR model for hedges and biotopes not qualifying for forest is based on LiDAR measurements in 2006 and 2014/15. Information on the exact location of subsidized hedge planting and some of the removal is available from 2007 and onwards. In the period from 2006 to 2014/15 is the area with removed hedges estimated from what is missing in the 2014/15 LiDAR measurements compared to 2006.

Future updates with this technology will be available because the Danish Government has decided to make new LiDAR measurements in a five-year rotation for the whole country starting 2019.

30-year transition period and effect on eventual on under- or overestimation of the C source/sink in the period up to 1990

The Danish inventory has implemented an annual Land Use Matrix from 1990 and onwards using a 30-year transition period for estimating emissions from Land Use Change (LUC). This is different from the 20 years transition period as mentioned in the 2006 IPCC Guidelines, however the default of 20 years, is not appropriate for mineral soils under the cold temperate conditions in Denmark.

The choice of transition period has mainly two effects on the inventory.

The first issue is a distribution of the reported hectares and emissions between "Land remaining in the same Land category" and "Land converted to." For all emission estimates, except for the carbon stock in soils, is used either a distribution of the known carbon stock as in forest, or the instant oxidation approach is used. For all living and dead biomass Denmark is using instant oxidation, except for hedges where an area-based Tier 3 carbon stock model is developed. Thus, the emission/sink from living and dead biomass has no impact on the emission estimate for the base year. An eventual over- or underestimation of the emission will therefore only occur from mineral soils in transition as the period until the new equilibrium is reached.

The main historical LUC in Denmark is conversion from:

- Cropland (CL) to Settlement (SE) with an indicative loss of carbon stock/ha and a lower yearly C storage in the living biomass.
- CL to Forest land (FL) with an indicative increase in the carbon stock/ha and a higher yearly C storage in the living biomass.

Figure 3E.2 shows the apparent Land Use Change from 1960 to 2022 (Statistics Denmark 1896, 1919, 1952, 1990). It appears that the area with FL has increased substantially as well as the SE area. Both CL and GL have decreased substantially since 1960. Approximately half of the 900 000 ha GL in 1888 were heathland. Of this only 70 000 ha is left today. The remaining heathland has been turned into agricultural soils. According to our forest statistics from 1954 (Vivian Kvist Johannesen, pers. com), about 55 % of the afforestation since 1954

has taken place on former CL and 32 % on land that would have been considered GL. The afforestation on CL has mainly taken place on the fertile land around the cities, and the afforestation on GL was mainly on the sandy heathland, planted with Norwegian spruce.

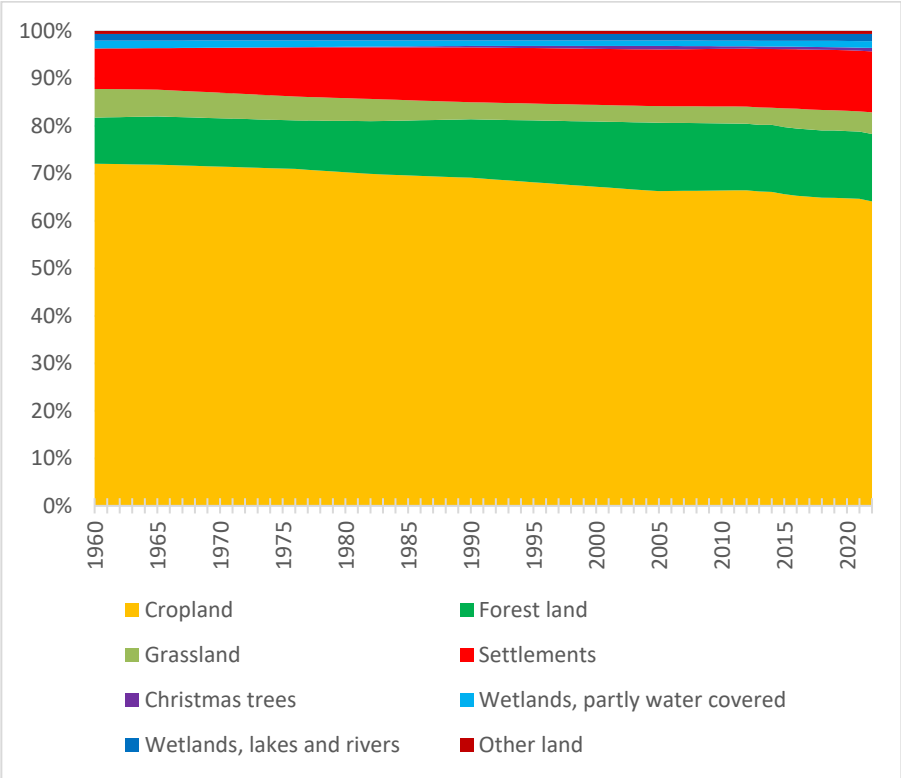


Figure 3E.2 Land Use Change 1960-2022.

Very few data is available on the carbon stock in the different soil types and it is therefore very difficult to estimate Danish default reference carbon stocks. The earliest representative data we have on agricultural land is from the beginning of the 1960'ies from our agricultural research stations (Lamm, 1971). Forty-nine of these soil samples can be considered as mineral. They had an average C stock (0-100 cm) of 103.3 tonnes C/ha (SE ±33.8). The sandy soils showed both low and high values, depending on its podsolization. In Danish soil sampling grid from 1986 (approximately 500 samples), the weighted average C stock was 120.8 tonnes C/ha indicating a build-up in the period from the 1960's to the 1980's. This coincided with the increased fertilization in agriculture leading to higher yields.

Long-term agricultural experiments at Rothamsted in the United Kingdom has shown that >95 % of the Soil Organic Matter (SOM) has a half-life (t½) of more than 49 years (Jenkinson and Rayner, 1977), Table 1. Both the Roth-C model used in England and C-TOOL (Petersen et al., 2002) are based on the long-term experiments. All models are using prediction of the age of the soil carbon. Basically, the models are operating with fast pools (crop residue), medium reacting pools and slow acting pools. The fast pools are normally considered crop residues or litter, and the slow reacting pools is of minor interest for inventory purposes because of t½ >> 100 years. Hence, the medium pools are considered of highest importance for the reporting obligation within the time frame of the inventories submitted to UNFCCC. According to the data presented in Table 3E.15 from Rothamsted (Jenkinson and Rayner 1977) and Denmark (Petersen et al., 2002), the medium pool accounts for approximately 45 % of the total C stock. New unpublished data in Denmark has estimated

that on sandy soils (former heathland) the medium pool is even lower (Taghizadeh-Toosi, 2015).

Table 3E.15 Modelled half-lives and pool sizes in Rothamstedt. (Jenkinson & Rayner, 1977).

	t½, yr	t per ha (0-23 cm)	Fraction
Decomposable Plant Material, DPM	0.165	0.01	0.0004
Resistant Plant Material, RPM	2.31	0.47	0.0194
Soil Biomass	1.69	0.28	0.0115
Physically stabilized Organic Matter POM	49.5	11.3	0.4658
Chemically Stabilized Organic Matter, COM	1980	12.2	0.5029
Total		24.3	1.0000

The Danish inventory is using C-TOOL to estimate the C turnover in agricultural mineral soils. As the major land use conversion is from agricultural land to Settlements, this model may be able to predict loss from agricultural soils when land is transferred to Settlements. When looking at the large Danish conversion from unfertile sandy heathland to fertile CL and the afforestation on this land it is currently a difficult task to deliver any conclusive figures on the loss and gain from mineral soils combined with LUC.

Technical documentation for C-TOOL

C-TOOL is a simple tool for simulation of soil carbon turnover. The technical documentation for C-TOOL with parameterization is provided and documented by Taghizadeh-Toosi et al. (2014) and Taghizadeh-Toosi (2015).

Table 3E.16 Land use matrix 1959-2021.
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Annex 3F - Waste

Annex 3F-1 Emissions from the waste sector

Table 3F-1.1 Emissions for the waste sector, kt CO_2 equivalents.

Annex 3F-2 Solid Waste Disposal on Land

Table 3F-2.1 All nationally produced waste categorised after handling method.

Table 3F-2.2 Annual amounts of deposited waste, total organic degradable matter, amounts of annual degraded organic matter, deposited methane potential, gross methane emission, recovered methane collected for biogas production, oxidised methane in the top layer, the resulting net emission and implied emission factors for the Danish solid waste disposal sites.

Table 3F-2.3 Annual amounts of deposited waste allocated between individual waste types and the trend of the MCF applied in the calculation model.

Annex 3F-3 Biological Treatment of Solid Waste

Table 3F-3.1 Activity data for composting, kt.

Table 3F-3.2 National emissions from composting.

Table 3F-3.3 Activity data and methane emissions from anaerobic digestion at manure-based biogas plants.

Annex 3F-4 Incineration and open burning of waste

Table 3F-4.1 Greenhouse gas emissions from Incineration and open burning of waste.

Table 3F-4.2 Activity data for human cremation.

Table 3F-4.3 Activity data for animal cremation.

Annex 3F-5 Wastewater treatment and discharge

Table 3F-5.1 Activity data for wastewater treatment and discharge.

Table 3F-5.2 TOW comparison, t COD.

Table 3F-5.3 Emissions from wastewater treatment and discharge.

Annex 3F-6 Other

Table 3F-6.1 Greenhouse gasses from accidental fires.

Table 3F-6.2 Activity data for accidental fires. See:
https://envs.au.dk/en/research-areas/air-pollution-emissions-and-effects/air-emissions/greenhouse-gases/supporting-documentation

Please note that data found via this link are updated annually. This means that data in the annexes always matches the newest version of the NIR reporting.

Annex 4 - Information on the energy statistics

This description of the Danish energy statistics has been prepared by DCE in cooperation with the Danish Energy Agency (DEA) as background information to the Danish National Inventory Document (NID).

The Danish energy statistics system

DEA is responsible for the Danish energy balance. Main contributors to the energy statistics outside DEA are Statistics Denmark and Danish Energy Association (before Association of Danish Energy Companies). The statistics are performed using an integrated statistical system building on an Access database and Excel spreadsheets.

The DEA follows the recommendations of the International Energy Agency as well as Eurostat.

The national energy statistics is updated annually, and all revisions are immediately included in the published statistics, which can be found on the DEA homepage[1]. It is an easy task to check for breaks in a series because the statistics is 100 % time-series oriented.

The national energy statistics does not include Greenland and the Faroe Islands.

For historical reasons, DEA receive monthly information from the Danish oil companies regarding Danish deliveries of oil products to Greenland and Faroe Islands. However, the monthly (MOS) and annual (AOS) reporting of oil statistics to Eurostat and IEA exclude Greenland and Faroe Islands. For all other energy products, the Danish figures are also excluding Greenland and Faroe Islands.

Reporting to the Danish Energy Agency

The Danish Energy Agency receives monthly statistics for the following fuel groups:

- Crude oil and oil products
  - Monthly data from 46 oil companies, the main purpose is monitoring oil stocks according to the oil preparedness system
- Natural gas
  - Fuel/flare from platforms in the North Sea
  - Natural gas balance from the regulator Energinet.dk (National monopoly)
- Coal and coke
  - Power plants (94 %)
  - Industry companies (4 %)
  - Coal and coke traders (2 %)
- Electricity
  - Monthly reporting by e-mail from the regulator Energinet.dk (National monopoly)
  - The statistics covers:

[1] https://ens.dk/en/our-services/statistics-data-key-figures-and-energy-maps/annual-and-monthly-statistics

        - Production by type of producer
        - Own use of electricity
        - Import and export by country
        - Domestic supply (consumption + distribution loss)
- Town gas (quarterly) from two town gas producers
- The large central power plants also report monthly consumption of biomass

Annual data includes renewable energy including waste. The DEA conducts a biannual survey on wood pellets and wood fuel. Statistics Denmark conducts biannual surveys on the energy consumption in the service and industrial sectors. Statistics Denmark prepares annual surveys on forest (wood fuel) & straw.

Other annual data sources include:

- DEA
    - Survey on production of electricity and heat and fuels used
    - Survey on end use of oil
    - Survey on end use of natural gas
    - Survey on end use of coal and coke
- DCE, Aarhus University
    - Energy consumption for domestic air transport
- Danish Energy Association (Association of Danish Energy companies)
    - Survey on electricity consumption
- Ministry of Taxation
    - Border trade
- Centre for Biomass Technology
    - Annual estimates of final consumption of straw and wood chips

Annual revisions

In general, DEA follows the same procedures as in the Danish national account. This means that normally only figures for the last two years are revised.

Aggregating the energy statistics on SNAP level

The sectors used in the official energy statistics have been mapped to SNAP categories, used in the Danish emission database. DCE aggregates the official energy statistics to SNAP level based on a source correspondence table.

In cooperation between DEA and DCE, a fuel correspondence table has been developed mapping the fuels used by the DEA in the official energy statistics with the fuel codes used in the Danish national emission database. The fuel correspondence table between fuel categories used by the DEA, DCE and IPCC is presented in Annex 3A-3.

The mapping between the energy statistics and the SNAP and fuel codes used by DCE can be seen in the table below.

Table 3A-9.1 Correspondence between the Danish national energy statistics and the SNAP nomenclature (only stationary combustion part shown).

Unit: TJ	End-use		Transformation	
	SNAP	Fuel	SNAP	Fuel
Energy Sector				
Extraction and Gasification				
- Extraction				
- - Natural Gas	010504	301A		
- Gasification				
- - Biogas, Landfill				
- - Biogas, Other				
- - Electricity				
Refineries				
- Used for Refining				
- - Crude Oil				
- - Refinery Feedstocks				
- - Electricity				
- - District Heating				
- Own Use				
- - Refinery Gas	010306	308A		
- - LPG	010306	303A		
- - Gas-/Diesel Oil	010306	204A		
- - Fuel Oil	010306	203A		
- Net Production				
- - Refinery Gas				
- - LPG				
- - Naphtha (LVN)				
- - Aviation Gasoline				
- - Motor Gasoline				
- - JP4				
- - Other Kerosene				
- - JP1				
- - Gas-/Diesel Oil				
- - Fuel Oil				
- - Petroleum Coke				
- - White Spirit				
- - Lubricants				
- - Bitumen				
- - Biodiesel				
Distribution				
- Electricity Used in Distribution				
- - Electricity Distribution				
- - District Heating Distribution				
- - Gas Distribution				
Transformation Sector				
Large-scale Power Units				
- Fuels Used for Power Production				
- - Gas-/Diesel Oil			010100	204A
- - Fuel Oil			010100	203A
- - Electricity Plant Coal			010100	102A
- - Straw			010100	117A
- Own Use				
- - Electricity				
- Gross Production				
- - Electricity				
Large-Scale CHP Units				
- Fuels Used for Power Production				
- - Refinery Gas			010300	308A
- - LPG			010100	303A
- - Naphtha (LVN)			010100	210A
- - Gas-/Diesel Oil			010100	204A
- - Fuel Oil			010100	203A
- - Petroleum Coke			010100	110A
- - Orimulsion			010100	225A
- - Natural Gas			010100	301A
- - Electricity Plant Coal			010100	102A
- - Straw			010100	117A
- - Wood Chips			010100	111A
- - Wood Pellets			010100	111A
- - Wood Waste			010100	111A
- - Biogas, Landfill			010100	309A
- - Biogas, Sludge			010100	309A

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- - Biogas, Others		010100	309A
- - Bio Natural Gas		010100	315A
- - Waste, Non-renewable		010100	114A
- - Wastes, Renewable		010100	114A
- Fuels Used for Heat Production			
- - Refinery Gas		010300	308A
- - LPG		010100	303A
- - Naphtha (LVN)		010100	210A
- - Gas-/Diesel Oil		010100	204A
- - Fuel Oil		010100	203A
- - Petroleum Coke		010100	110A
- - Orimulsion		010100	225A
- - Natural Gas		010100	301A
- - Electricity Plant Coal		010100	102A
- - Straw		010100	117A
- - Wood Chips		010100	111A
- - Wood Pellets		010100	111A
- - Wood Waste		010100	111A
- - Biogas, Landfill		010100	309A
- - Biogas, Sludge		010100	309A
- - Biogas, Other		010100	309A
- - Bio Natural Gas		010100	315A
- - Wastes, Non-renewable		010100	114A
- - Wastes, Renewable		010100	114A
- Own Use			
- - Electricity			
- - District Heating			
- Production			
- - Electricity, Gross			
- - District Heating, Net			
Small-Scale CHP Units			
- Fuels Used for Power Production			
- - Gas-/Diesel Oil		010100	204A
- - Fuel Oil		010100	203A
- - Natural Gas		010100	301A
- - Electricity Plant Coal		010100	102A
- - Straw		010100	117A
- - Wood Chips		010100	111A
- - Wood Pellets		010100	111A
- - Wood Waste		010100	111A
- - Biogas, Landfill		010100	309A
- - Biogas, Sludge		010100	309A
- - Biogas, Other		010100	309A
- - Bio Natural Gas		010100	315A
- - Waste, Non-renewable		010100	114A
- - Wastes, Renewable		010100	114A
- Fuels Used for Heat Production			
- - Gas-/Diesel Oil		010100	204A
- - Fuel Oil		010100	203A
- - Natural Gas		010100	301A
- - Electricity Plant Coal		010100	102A
- - Straw		010100	117A
- - Wood Chips		010100	111A
- - Wood Pellets		010100	111A
- - Wood Waste		010100	111A
- - Biogas, Landfill		010100	309A
- - Biogas, Sludge		010100	309A
- - Biogas, Other		010100	309A
- - Bio Natural Gas		010100	315A
- - Wastes, Non-renewable		010100	114A
- - Wastes, Renewable		010100	114A
- Own Use			
- - Electricity			
- - District Heating			
- Production			
- - Electricity, Gross			
- - District Heating, Net			
Wind Turbines			
- Used for Power Production			
- - Wind Power			
- Gross Production			
- - Electricity			

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Hydro Power Units			
- Used for Power Production			
- - Hydro Power			
- Gross Production			
- - Electricity			
District Heating Units			
- Fuels Used for Heat Production			
- - Refinery Gas		010300	308A
- - LPG		010200	303A
- - Gas-/Diesel Oil		010200	204A
- - Fuel Oil		010200	203A
- - Waste Oil		010200	203A
- - Petroleum Coke		010200	110A
- - Natural Gas		010200	301A
- - Electricity Plant Coal		010200	102A
- - Coal		010200	102A
- - Solar Energy			
- - Geothermal Energy			
- - Straw		010200	117A
- - Wood Chips		010200	111A
- - Wood Pellets		010200	111A
- - Wood Waste		010200	111A
- - Biogas, Landfill		010200	309A
- - Biogas, Sludge		010200	309A
- - Biogas, Other		010200	309A
- - Bio Natural Gas		010200	315A
- - Wastes, Non-renewable		010200	114A
- - Wastes, Renewable		010200	114A
- - Bio Oil		010200	215A
- - Electricity for Heat Pumps			
- Own Use			
- - District Heating			
- Net Production			
- - District Heating			
Auto producers, Electricity Only			
- Fuels Used for Power Production			
- - Natural Gas		030100	301A
- - Solar Energy			
- - Biogas, Landfill		030100	309A
- - Biogas, Sewage Sludge		030100	309A
- - Biogas, Other		030100	309A
- - Bio Natural Gas		030100	315A
- Gross Production			
- - Electricity			
Auto producers, CHP Units			
- Fuels Used for Power Production			
- - Refinery Gas		010300	308A
- - Gas-/Diesel Oil		030100	204A
- - Fuel Oil		030100	203A
- - Waste Oil		030100	203A
- - Natural Gas		030100	301A
- - Coal		030100	102A
- - Straw		030100	117A
- - Wood Chips		030100	111A
- - Wood Pellets		030100	111A
- - Wood Waste		030100	111A
- - Biogas, Landfill		030100	309A
- - Biogas, Sludge		030100	309A
- - Biogas, Other		030100	309A
- - Bio Natural Gas		030100	315A
- - Bio Oil		030100	215A
- - Wastes, Non-renewable		010100	114A
- - Wastes, Renewable		010100	114A
- Fuels Used for Heat Production		030100	114A
- - Refinery Gas		010300	308A
- - Gas-/Diesel Oil		030100	204A
- - Fuel Oil		030100	203A
- - Waste Oil		030100	203A
- - Natural Gas		030100	301A
- - Coal		030100	102A
- - Wood Chips		030100	111A
- - Wood Waste		030100	111A

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- - Biogas, Landfill			030100	309A
- - Biogas, Sludge			030100	309A
- - Biogas, Other			030100	309A
- - Bio Natural Gas			030100	315A
- - Wastes, Non-renewable			010100	114A
- - Wastes, Renewable			010100	114A
- Production				
- - Electricity, Gross				
- - District Heating, Net				
Auto producers, Heat Only				
- Fuels Used for Heat Production				
- - Gas-/Diesel Oil			030100	204A
- - Fuel Oil			030100	203A
- - Waste Oil			030100	203A
- - Natural Gas			030100	301A
- - Straw			030100	117A
- - Wood Chips			030100	111A
- - Wood Pellets			030100	111A
- - Wood Waste			030100	111A
- - Biogas, Landfill			030100	309A
- - Biogas, Sludge			030100	309A
- - Biogas, Other			030100	309A
- - Bio Natural Gas			030100	315A
- - Wastes, Non-renewable			010200	114A
- - Wastes, Renewable			010200	114A
- - Heat Pumps				
- Net Production				
- - District Heating				
Gas Works Gas Units	030106	301A		
- Fuels Used for Gas Works Gas				
- - Refinery Gas				
- - LPG				
- - Naphtha (LVN)				
- - Gas-/Diesel Oil				
- - Natural Gas				
- - Hard Coal				
- Production				
- - Gas Works Gas				
- - Coke				
Distribution Losses				
- Distribution Losses etc.				
- - Natural Gas				
- - Electricity				
- - District Heating				
- - Gas Works Gas				
Consumption Sector				
- Non-energy Use				
- - White Spirit				
- - Lubricants				
- - Bitumen				
Transport				
Military Transport				
- Aviation Gasoline	Transport	209A		
- Motor Gasoline	Transport	208A		
- JP4	Transport	207A		
- JP1	Transport	207A		
- Gas-/Diesel Oil	Transport	205A		
Road				
- LPG	Transport	303A		
- Motor Gasoline	Transport	208A		
- Other Kerosene	020200	206A		
- Gas-/Diesel Oil	Transport	205A		
- Fuel Oil	Transport	203A		
- Natural gas	Transport	301A		
- Bio Natural Gas	Transport	315A		
- Bioethanol	Transport	223A		
- Biodiesel	Transport	215A		
Rail				
- Motor Gasoline	Transport	208A		
- Other Kerosene	Transport	206A		
- Gas-/Diesel Oil	Transport	205A		

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- Electricity			
Domestic Sea Transport			
- LPG	Transport	303A	
- Other Kerosene	Transport	206A	
- Gas-/Diesel Oil	Transport	205A	
- Fuel Oil	Transport	203A	
Domestic Aviation			
- LPG	Transport	303A	
- Aviation Gasoline	Transport	209A	
- Motor Gasoline	Transport	208A	
- Other Kerosene	020100	206A	
- JP1	Transport	207A	
International Aviation			
- Aviation Gasoline	Transport	209A	
- JP1	Transport	207A	
Agriculture and Forestry and Horticulture			
- LPG	Transport	303A	
- Motor Gasoline	Transport	208A	
- Other Kerosene	020300	206A	
- Gas-/Diesel Oil	Transport	205A	
- Fuel Oil	020300	203A	
- Petroleum Coke	020300	110A	
- Natural Gas	020300	301A	
- Coal	020300	102A	
- Brown Coal Briquettes	020300	106A	
- Straw	020300	117A	
- Wood Chips	020300	111A	
- Wood Waste	020300	111A	
- Biogas, Other	020300	309A	
- Bio Natural Gas	020300	315A	
- Heat Pumps			
- Electricity			
- District Heating			
Fishing			
- LPG	Transport	303A	
- Motor Gasoline	Transport	208A	
- Other Kerosene	Transport	206A	
- Gas-/Diesel Oil	Transport	205A	
- Fuel Oil	Transport	203A	
Manufacturing Industry			
- Refinery Gas	030100	308A	
- LPG	Transport	303A	
- Naphtha (LVN)	Transport	210A	
- Motor Gasoline	Transport	208A	
- Other Kerosene	030100	206A	
- Gas-/Diesel Oil	Transport	205A	
- Fuel Oil	030100	203A	
- Waste Oil	030100	203A	
- Petroleum Coke	030100	110A	
- Natural Gas	030100	301A	
- Coal	030100	102A	
- Coke	030100	107A	
- Brown Coal Briquettes	030100	106A	
- Wood Chips	030100	111A	
- Wood Pellets	030100	111A	
- Wood Waste	030100	111A	
- Biogas, Landfill	030100	111A	
- Biogas, Other	030100	309A	
- Bio Natural Gas	030100	315A	
- Wastes, Non-renewable	030100	114A	
- Wastes, Renewable	030100	114A	
- Heat Pumps			
- Electricity			
- District Heating			
- Gas Works Gas	030100	301A	
Construction			
- LPG	031500	303A	
- Motor Gasoline	Transport		
- Other Kerosene	031500	206A	
- Gas-/Diesel Oil	Transport		
- Fuel Oil	031500	203A	
- Natural Gas	031500	301A	

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- Bio Natural Gas	031500	315A	
- Electricity			
Wholesale			
- LPG	020100	303A	
- Other Kerosene	020100	206A	
- Gas-/Diesel Oil	020100	204A	
- Petroleum Coke	020100	110A	
- Natural Gas	020100	301A	
- Wood Waste	020100	111A	
- Bio Natural Gas	020100	315A	
- Electricity			
- District Heating			
Retail Trade			
- LPG	020100	303A	
- Other Kerosene	020100	206A	
- Gas-/Diesel Oil	020100	204A	
- Fuel Oil	020100	203A	
- Petroleum Coke	020100	110A	
- Natural Gas	020100	301A	
- Electricity			
- District Heating			
Private Service			
- LPG	020100	303A	
- Other Kerosene	020100	206A	
- Gas-/Diesel Oil	020100	204A	
- Fuel Oil	020100	203A	
- Waste Oil	020100	203A	
- Petroleum Coke	020100	110A	
- Natural Gas	020100	301A	
- Wood Chips	020100	111A	
- Wood Waste	020100	111A	
- Biogas, Landfill	020100	309A	
- Biogas, Sludge	020100	309A	
- Biogas, Other	020100	309A	
- Bio Natural Gas	020100	315A	
- Wastes, Non-renewable	020100	114A	
- Wastes, Renewable	020100	114A	
- Electricity			
- District Heating			
- Gas Works Gas	020100	301A	
Public Service			
- LPG	020100	303A	
- Other Kerosene	020100	206A	
- Gas-/Diesel Oil	020100	204A	
- Fuel Oil	020100	203A	
- Petroleum Coke	020100	110A	
- Natural Gas	020100	301A	
- Coal	020100	102A	
- Brown Coal Briquettes	020100	106A	
- Solar Energy			
- Wood Chips	020100	111A	
- Wood Pellets	020100	111A	
- Bio Natural Gas	020100	315A	
- Electricity			
- District Heating			
- Gas Works Gas	020100	301A	
Single Family Houses			
- LPG	020200	303A	
- Motor Gasoline	Transport	208A	
- Other Kerosene	020200	206A	
- Gas-/Diesel Oil	020200	204A	
- Fuel Oil	020200	203A	
- Petroleum Coke	020200	110A	
- Natural Gas	020200	301A	
- Coal	020200	102A	
- Coke	020200	107A	
- Brown Coal Briquettes	020200	106A	
- Solar Energy			
- Straw	020200	117A	
- Firewood	020200	111A	
- Wood Chips	020200	111A	
- Wood Pellets	020200	111A	

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- Bio Natural Gas	020200	315A	
- Biodiesel	020200	215A	
- Heat Pumps			
- Electricity			
- District Heating			
- Gas Works Gas	020200	301A	
Multi-family Houses			
- LPG	020200	303A	
- Other Kerosene	020200	206A	
- Gas-/Diesel Oil	020200	204A	
- Fuel Oil	020200	203A	
- Petroleum Coke	020200	110A	
- Natural Gas	020200	301A	
- Coal	020200	102A	
- Coke	020200	107A	
- Brown Coal Briquettes	020200	106A	
- Solar Energy			
- Bio Natural Gas	020200	315A	
- Electricity			
- District Heating			
- Gas Works Gas	020200	301A	

Annex 5 - Assessment of completeness and (potential) sources and sinks of greenhouse gas emissions and removals excluded

The Danish greenhouse gas emission inventories for 1990-2023 include all sources identified by the 2006 IPCC Guidelines where methodologies and default emission factors exist. Some very minor sources have not been estimated due to lack of methodology, activity data or emission factors, i.e.:

- Direct and indirect CH_4 emissions from agricultural soils;
- N_2O emissions from accidental fires.

In addition to these sources, Denmark reports emissions from the memo items 'Multilateral operations', 'Long-term Storage of C in Waste Disposal Sites', 'Annual Change in Total Long-term C Storage' and 'Annual Change in Total Long-term C Storage in HWP Waste' as not estimated due to lack of data.

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