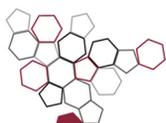




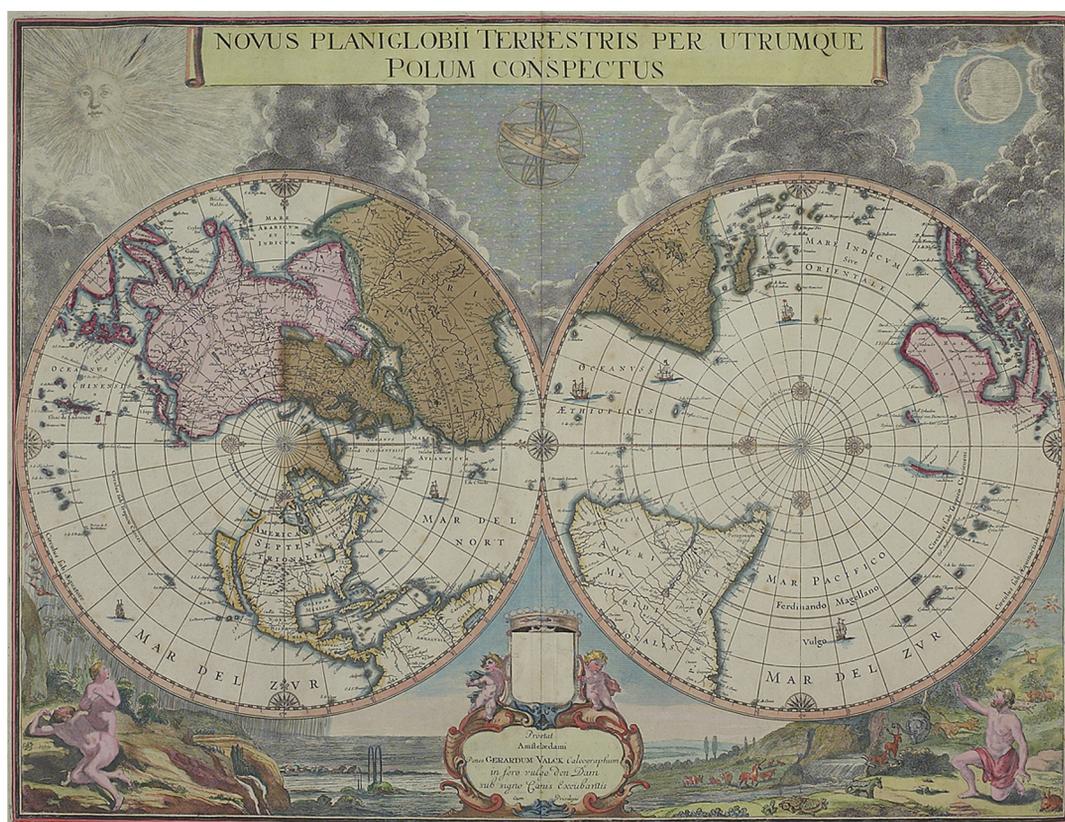
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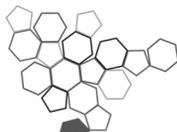


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## PREMESSA

Nell'ambito degli strumenti e delle politiche per fronteggiare i cambiamenti climatici, un ruolo fondamentale è svolto dal monitoraggio delle emissioni dei gas-serra.

A garantire la predisposizione e l'aggiornamento annuale dell'inventario dei gas-serra secondo i formati richiesti, in Italia, è l'ISPRA su incarico del Ministero dell'Ambiente e della Tutela del Territorio e del Mare, attraverso le indicazioni del Decreto Legislativo n. 51 del 7 marzo 2008 e, più di recente, del Decreto Legislativo n. 30 del 13 marzo 2013, che prevedono l'istituzione di un Sistema Nazionale, *National System*, relativo all'inventario delle emissioni dei gas-serra.

In più, come è previsto dalla Convenzione-quadro sui cambiamenti climatici per tutti i Paesi industrializzati, l'ISPRA documenta in uno specifico rapporto, il *National Inventory Report*, le metodologie di stima utilizzate, unitamente ad una spiegazione degli andamenti osservati.

Il *National Inventory Report* facilita i processi internazionali di verifica cui le stime ufficiali di emissione dei gas serra sono sottoposte. In particolare, viene esaminata la rispondenza alle proprietà di trasparenza, consistenza, comparabilità, completezza e accuratezza nella realizzazione, qualità richieste esplicitamente dalla Convenzione suddetta. L'inventario delle emissioni è sottoposto ogni anno ad un esame (*review*) da parte di un organismo nominato dal Segretariato della Convenzione che analizza tutto il materiale presentato dal Paese e ne verifica in dettaglio le qualità su enunciate. Senza tali requisiti, l'Italia sarebbe esclusa dalla partecipazione ai meccanismi flessibili previsti dallo stesso Protocollo, come il mercato delle quote di emissioni, l'implementazione di progetti con i Paesi in via di sviluppo (CDM) e l'implementazione di progetti congiunti con i Paesi a economia in transizione (JI).

Il presente documento rappresenta, inoltre, un riferimento fondamentale per la pianificazione e l'attuazione di tutte le politiche ambientali da parte delle istituzioni centrali e periferiche. Accanto all'inventario dei gas-serra, l'ISPRA realizza ogni anno l'inventario nazionale delle emissioni in atmosfera, richiesto dalla Convenzione di Ginevra sull'inquinamento atmosferico transfrontaliero (UNECE-CLRTAP) e dalle Direttive europee sulla limitazione delle emissioni. In più, tutto il territorio nazionale è attualmente coperto da inventari regionali sostanzialmente coerenti con l'inventario nazionale, realizzati principalmente dalle Agenzie Regionali e Provinciali per la Protezione dell'Ambiente.

Nonostante i progressi compiuti, l'attività di preparazione degli inventari affronta continuamente nuove sfide legate alla necessità di considerare nuove sorgenti e nuovi inquinanti e di armonizzare gli inventari prodotti per diverse finalità di *policy*. Il contesto internazionale al quale fa riferimento la preparazione dell'inventario nazionale costituisce una garanzia di qualità dei dati, per l'autorevolezza dei riferimenti metodologici, l'efficacia del processo internazionale di *review* e la flessibilità nell'adattamento alle nuove circostanze.

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## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

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

The United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (FCCC) was ratified by Italy in the year 1994 through law no.65 of 15/01/1994.

The Kyoto Protocol, adopted in December 1997, has established emission reduction objectives for Annex B Parties (i.e. industrialised countries and countries with economy in transition): in particular, the European Union as a whole is committed to an 8% reduction within the period 2008-2012, in comparison with base year levels. For Italy, the EU burden sharing agreement, set out in Annex II to Decision 2002/358/EC and in accordance with Article 4 of the Kyoto Protocol, has established a reduction objective of 6.5% in the commitment period, in comparison with 1990 levels.

Subsequently, on 1st June 2002, Italy ratified the Kyoto Protocol through law no.120 of 01/06/2002. The ratification law prescribed also the preparation of a National Action Plan to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, which was adopted by the Interministerial Committee for Economic Planning (CIPE) on 19<sup>th</sup> December 2002 (deliberation n. 123 of 19/12/2002). The Kyoto Protocol finally entered into force in February 2005. The first commitment period ended in 2012, with an extension, for fulfilling commitments, to 18<sup>th</sup> November 2015, the so called *true-up period*. The evaluation of the Kyoto Protocol, together with the commitments fulfilled by each Party, has been finalized by the UNFCCC Secretariat.

A new global agreement was reached in Paris in December 2015, for the period after 2020. The agreement aims to strengthen the global response to the threat of climate change by holding the increase in the global temperature to well below 2°C above pre-industrial levels and to pursue efforts to limit the temperature increase to 1.5 °C above pre-industrial levels, recognizing that this would significantly reduce the risks and impact of climate change. On 5<sup>th</sup> October 2016, the threshold for entry into force of the Paris Agreement was achieved and the Paris Agreement entered into force on 4<sup>th</sup> November 2016.

To fulfil the gap 2013-2020, the ‘Doha Amendment to the Kyoto Protocol’ was adopted on 8<sup>th</sup> December 2012. The EU and its Member States have committed to this second phase of the Kyoto Protocol and established to reduce their collective emissions to 20% below their levels in 1990 or other chosen base years; this is also reflected in the Doha Amendment. The target will be fulfilled jointly with Iceland.

As a Party to the Convention and the Kyoto Protocol, Italy is committed to develop, publish and regularly update national emission inventories of greenhouse gases (GHGs) as well as formulate and implement programmes to reduce these emissions.

In order to establish compliance with national and international commitments, the national GHG emission inventory is compiled and communicated annually by the Institute for Environmental Protection and Research (ISPRA) to the competent institutions, after endorsement by the Ministry for the Environment, Land and Sea. The submission is carried out through compilation of the Common Reporting Format (CRF), according to the guidelines provided by the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change and the European Union’s Greenhouse Gas Monitoring Mechanism. As a whole, an annual GHG inventory submission shall consist of a national inventory report (NIR) and the common reporting format (CRF) tables as specified in the Guidelines on reporting and review of greenhouse gas inventories from Parties included in Annex I to the Convention, decision 24/CP.19, in FCCC/CP/2013/10/Add.3.

Detailed information on emission figures and estimation procedures, including all the basic data needed to carry out the final estimates, is to be provided to improve the transparency, consistency, comparability, accuracy and completeness of the inventory provided.

The national inventory is updated annually in order to reflect revisions and improvements in the methodology and use of the best information available. Adjustments are applied retrospectively to earlier years, which accounts for any difference in previously published data.

This report provides an analysis of the Italian GHG emission inventory communicated to the Secretariat of the Climate Change Convention and to the European Commission in the framework of the Greenhouse Gas Monitoring Mechanism in the year 2021, including the update for the year 2019 and the revision of the entire time series 1990-2018.

Concerning the reporting and accounting requirements, under the KP CP2 each Party is required to submit a report, the initial report, to facilitate the calculation of its assigned amount and to demonstrate its capacity to account for its emissions and assigned amount (UNFCC Decision 2/CMP.8). The ratification decision allows a joint initial report of the EU, its Member States and Iceland, to be prepared by the European Commission,

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and individual initial reports of each Member States and Iceland. In its initial report, Italy describes the national assigned amount as well as the commitment period reserve.

The election of LULUCF activities under Article 3, paragraph 4, of the Kyoto Protocol for the commitment period 2013-2020 is also indicated in the same document; Italy has elected cropland and grazing land management activities.

Emission estimates comprise the seven direct greenhouse gases under the Kyoto Protocol (carbon dioxide, methane, nitrous oxide, hydrofluorocarbons, perfluorocarbons, sulphur hexafluoride, nitrogen trifluoride) which contribute directly to climate change owing to their positive radiative forcing effect and four indirect greenhouse gases (nitrogen oxides, carbon monoxide, non-methane volatile organic compounds, sulphur dioxide).

This report, the CRF files and other related documents are available on website at the address <http://www.sinanet.isprambiente.it/it/sia-ispra/serie-storiche-emissioni>.

The official inventory submissions can also be found at the UNFCCC website <https://unfccc.int/ghg-inventories-annex-i-parties/2020>.

## **ES.2. Summary of national emission and removal related trends**

Total greenhouse gas emissions, in CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent, excluding emissions and removals from land use, land use change and forestry, decreased by 19.4% between 1990 and 2019 (from 519 to 418 million of CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent tons).

The most important greenhouse gas, CO<sub>2</sub>, which accounted for 81.2% of total emissions in CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent in 2019, showed a decrease by 22.7% between 1990 and 2019. CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions were equal to 10.3% and 4.1%, respectively, of the total CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent greenhouse gas emissions in 2019. Both gases showed a decrease from 1990 to 2019, equal to 12.9% and 33.9% for CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O, respectively.

Other greenhouse gases, HFCs, PFCs, SF<sub>6</sub> and NF<sub>3</sub>, ranged from 0.01% to 4.0% of total emissions.

Table ES.1 illustrates the national trend of greenhouse gases for 1990-2019, expressed in CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent terms, by substance and category.

**Table ES.1. Total greenhouse gas emissions and removals in CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent [kt CO<sub>2</sub> eq]**

<b>GHG emissions</b>	<b>1990</b>	<b>1995</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>
	<i>kt CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent</i>								
CO <sub>2</sub> excluding net CO <sub>2</sub> from LULUCF	439,550	449,826	470,493	502,260	436,154	361,302	352,850	349,020	339,772
CO <sub>2</sub> including net CO <sub>2</sub> from LULUCF	433,848	424,921	448,128	466,264	393,451	317,028	330,439	312,412	297,537
CH <sub>4</sub> excluding CH <sub>4</sub> from LULUCF	49,331	51,347	51,848	49,098	47,339	44,059	44,024	43,472	42,967
CH <sub>4</sub> including CH <sub>4</sub> from LULUCF	50,617	51,650	52,562	49,398	47,689	44,324	45,535	43,625	43,148
N <sub>2</sub> O excluding N <sub>2</sub> O from LULUCF	26,080	27,631	28,505	27,549	18,968	17,474	17,740	17,462	17,227
N <sub>2</sub> O including N <sub>2</sub> O from LULUCF	27,005	28,560	29,241	28,207	19,397	17,801	18,300	17,915	17,720
HFCs	444	927	2,489	7,617	12,054	15,387	16,321	16,445	16,801
PFCs	2,907	1,492	1,488	1,940	1,520	1,688	1,314	1,657	1,028
Unspecified mix of HFCs and PFCs	NO,NA	25	25	25	25	25	25	23	24
SF <sub>6</sub>	408	680	604	550	394	472	417	446	444
NF <sub>3</sub>	NA,NO	77	13	33	20	28	23	22	18
<b>Total (excluding LULUCF)</b>	<b>518,720</b>	<b>532,004</b>	<b>555,466</b>	<b>589,072</b>	<b>516,474</b>	<b>440,437</b>	<b>432,714</b>	<b>428,549</b>	<b>418,281</b>
<b>Total (including LULUCF)</b>	<b>515,229</b>	<b>508,331</b>	<b>534,550</b>	<b>554,034</b>	<b>474,551</b>	<b>396,754</b>	<b>412,374</b>	<b>392,547</b>	<b>376,719</b>

<b>GHG categories</b>	<b>1990</b>	<b>1995</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>
	<i>kt CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent</i>								
1. Energy	425,322	437,941	459,624	487,644	429,049	359,025	350,478	345,962	336,642
2. Industrial Processes and Product Use	40,422	38,316	39,123	47,209	37,000	33,232	33,817	34,570	33,937
3. Agriculture	35,672	35,751	34,829	32,335	30,020	29,563	30,109	29,686	29,517
4. LULUCF	-3,491	-23,673	-20,916	-35,037	-41,923	-43,682	-20,339	-36,003	-41,561
5. Waste	17,304	19,996	21,890	21,883	20,404	18,617	18,309	18,332	18,184
6. Other	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
<b>Total (including LULUCF)</b>	<b>515,229</b>	<b>508,331</b>	<b>534,550</b>	<b>554,034</b>	<b>474,551</b>	<b>396,754</b>	<b>412,374</b>	<b>392,547</b>	<b>376,719</b>

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

The energy sector is the largest contributor to national total GHG emissions with a share, in 2019, of 80.5%. Emissions from this sector decreased by 20.9% from 1990 to 2019. Substances with decrease rates were CO<sub>2</sub>, whose levels reduced by 20.7% from 1990 to 2019 and accounts for 96.3% of the total in the energy sector, and CH<sub>4</sub> which showed a reduction of 33.2% but its share out of the sectoral total is only 2.3%; N<sub>2</sub>O showed a decrease of 0.2% from 1990 to 2019, accounting for 1.4%. Specifically, in terms of total CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent, an increase in emissions was observed only in the transport and in the other sectors, about 3.2%, each, from 1990 to 2019; in 2019 these sectors accounted for 31.3% and 24.2%, respectively, of total energy sector emissions. For the industrial processes sector, emissions showed a decrease of 16.0% from 1990 to 2019. Specifically, by substance, CO<sub>2</sub> emissions account for 44.0% and showed a decrease by 49.1%, CH<sub>4</sub> decreased by 67.9%, but it accounts only for 0.1%, while N<sub>2</sub>O, whose levels share 1.9% of total industrial emissions, decreased by 91.1%. The decrease in emissions is mostly due to a decrease in chemical industry (due to the fully operational abatement technology in the adipic acid industry) and mineral and metal production emissions. A considerable increase was observed in F-gases emissions (about 400%), whose level on total sectoral emissions is 54.0%. It should be noted that, except for the motivations explained, the economic recession has had a remarkable influence on the production levels of most the industries and consequent emissions in the last years.

For agriculture, emissions refer mainly to CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O levels, which account for 64.3% and 34.3% of the sectoral total, respectively; CO<sub>2</sub>, on the other hand, shares only 1.5% of the total. The decrease observed in the total level of emissions (-17.3%) is mostly due to the decrease of CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from enteric fermentation (-14.6%), which account for 44.9% of sectoral emissions and to the decrease of N<sub>2</sub>O from agricultural soils (-20.6%), which accounts for 27.2% of sectoral emissions.

As regards land use, land-use change and forestry, from 1990 to 2019 total removals in CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent considerably increased; CO<sub>2</sub> accounts for almost the total emissions and removals of the sector (98.4%).

Finally, emissions from the waste sector increased by 5.1% from 1990 to 2019, mainly due to an increase in the emissions from solid waste disposal on land (11.9%), which account for 75.1% of waste emissions. The most important greenhouse gas in this sector is CH<sub>4</sub> which accounts for 89.5% of the sectoral emissions and shows an increase of 5.2% from 1990 to 2019. N<sub>2</sub>O emission levels increased by 40.1%, whereas CO<sub>2</sub> decreased by 89.2%; these gases account for 10.2% and 0.3% in the sector, respectively.

Table ES.2 provides an overview of the CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent emission trends by IPCC source category.

**Table ES.2. Summary of emission trends by source category and gas in CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent [kt CO<sub>2</sub> eq.]**

Category	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2017	2018	2019
	<i>kt CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent</i>								
<b>A. Energy: fuel combustion</b>	<b>412,204</b>	<b>425,568</b>	<b>448,477</b>	<b>477,889</b>	<b>420,035</b>	<b>350,910</b>	<b>342,747</b>	<b>338,568</b>	<b>329,135</b>
<i>CO<sub>2</sub>: 1. Energy Industries</i>	136,941	139,941	144,273	159,227	136,885	105,486	104,529	95,545	91,312
<i>CO<sub>2</sub>: 2. Manufacturing Industries and Construction</i>	90,772	88,969	94,893	90,786	68,900	54,552	52,136	53,221	48,838
<i>CO<sub>2</sub>: 3. Transport</i>	100,319	111,531	121,443	126,616	114,172	105,039	99,741	103,133	104,283
<i>CO<sub>2</sub>: 4. Other Sectors</i>	76,042	75,580	79,175	92,328	90,907	77,658	78,243	78,741	76,703
<i>CO<sub>2</sub>: 5. Other</i>	1,071	1,496	837	1,233	652	459	326	341	453
<i>CH<sub>4</sub></i>	2,444	2,701	2,468	2,301	3,159	3,005	3,105	2,922	2,939
<i>N<sub>2</sub>O</i>	4,615	5,349	5,388	5,398	5,361	4,710	4,667	4,665	4,607
<b>1B2. Energy: fugitives from oil &amp; gas</b>	<b>13,117</b>	<b>12,374</b>	<b>11,147</b>	<b>9,755</b>	<b>9,014</b>	<b>8,115</b>	<b>7,731</b>	<b>7,395</b>	<b>7,507</b>
<i>CO<sub>2</sub></i>	4,048	4,002	3,262	2,557	2,377	2,574	2,351	2,295	2,757
<i>CH<sub>4</sub></i>	9,058	8,360	7,873	7,185	6,625	5,531	5,370	5,090	4,741
<i>N<sub>2</sub>O</i>	12	12	12	13	12	10	10	9	9
<b>2. Industrial processes</b>	<b>40,422</b>	<b>38,316</b>	<b>39,123</b>	<b>47,209</b>	<b>37,000</b>	<b>33,232</b>	<b>33,817</b>	<b>34,570</b>	<b>33,937</b>
<i>CO<sub>2</sub></i>	29,335	27,281	25,832	28,718	21,703	14,976	14,976	15,248	14,941
<i>CH<sub>4</sub></i>	129	134	73	74	60	42	44	44	41
<i>N<sub>2</sub>O</i>	7,199	7,701	8,599	8,251	1,224	613	697	684	641
<i>HFCs</i>	444	927	2,489	7,617	12,054	15,387	16,321	16,445	16,801
<i>PFCs</i>	2,907	1,492	1,488	1,940	1,520	1,688	1,314	1,657	1,028
<i>Unspecified mix of HFCs and PFCs</i>	NO	25	25	25	25	25	25	23	24
<i>SF<sub>6</sub></i>	408	680	604	550	394	472	417	446	444
<i>NF<sub>3</sub></i>	NO	77	13	33	20	28	23	22	18
<b>3. Agriculture</b>	<b>35,672</b>	<b>35,751</b>	<b>34,829</b>	<b>32,335</b>	<b>30,020</b>	<b>29,563</b>	<b>30,109</b>	<b>29,686</b>	<b>29,517</b>
<i>CO<sub>2</sub>: Liming</i>	1	1	2	14	18	14	17	15	16
<i>CO<sub>2</sub>: Urea application</i>	465	512	525	507	335	425	418	405	396
<i>CO<sub>2</sub>: Other carbon-containing fertilizers</i>	44	54	44	42	28	20	20	22	17
<i>CH<sub>4</sub>: Enteric fermentation</i>	15,497	15,319	15,048	13,179	12,761	12,912	13,301	13,257	13,241
<i>CH<sub>4</sub>: Manure management</i>	4,843	4,606	4,571	4,685	4,539	4,253	4,211	4,142	4,132
<i>CH<sub>4</sub>: Rice Cultivation</i>	1,876	1,989	1,656	1,752	1,822	1,668	1,646	1,601	1,583
<i>CH<sub>4</sub>: Field Burning of Agricultural Residues</i>	15	15	15	16	15	16	15	15	15
<i>N<sub>2</sub>O: Manure management</i>	2,817	2,688	2,601	2,399	2,320	2,126	2,150	2,117	2,082
<i>N<sub>2</sub>O: Agriculture soils</i>	10,111	10,563	10,363	9,737	8,178	8,125	8,325	8,107	8,031
<i>N<sub>2</sub>O: Field Burning of Agricultural Residues</i>	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
<b>4A. Land-use change and forestry</b>	<b>-3,491</b>	<b>-23,673</b>	<b>-20,916</b>	<b>-35,037</b>	<b>-41,923</b>	<b>-43,682</b>	<b>-20,339</b>	<b>-36,003</b>	<b>-41,561</b>
<i>CO<sub>2</sub></i>	-5,702	-24,905	-22,366	-35,995	-42,702	-44,274	-22,411	-36,608	-42,235
<i>CH<sub>4</sub></i>	1,286	303	714	299	350	264	1,511	153	181
<i>N<sub>2</sub>O</i>	925	929	735	658	430	328	561	453	493
<b>6. Waste</b>	<b>17,304</b>	<b>19,996</b>	<b>21,890</b>	<b>21,883</b>	<b>20,404</b>	<b>18,617</b>	<b>18,309</b>	<b>18,332</b>	<b>18,184</b>
<i>CO<sub>2</sub></i>	512	458	208	230	177	99	92	54	55
<i>CH<sub>4</sub></i>	15,470	18,223	20,144	19,907	18,358	16,633	16,330	16,402	16,275
<i>N<sub>2</sub>O</i>	1,323	1,315	1,538	1,746	1,869	1,885	1,887	1,876	1,853
<b>Total emissions (with LULUCF)</b>	<b>515,229</b>	<b>508,331</b>	<b>534,550</b>	<b>554,034</b>	<b>474,551</b>	<b>396,754</b>	<b>412,374</b>	<b>392,547</b>	<b>376,719</b>
<b>Total emissions (without LULUCF)</b>	<b>518,720</b>	<b>532,004</b>	<b>555,466</b>	<b>589,072</b>	<b>516,474</b>	<b>440,437</b>	<b>432,714</b>	<b>428,549</b>	<b>418,281</b>

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#### ES.4. Other information

In Table ES.3 NO<sub>x</sub>, CO, NMVOC and SO<sub>2</sub> emission trends from 1990 to 2019 are summarised. All gases showed a significant reduction in 2019 as compared to 1990 levels. The highest reduction is observed for SO<sub>2</sub> (-93.5%), while NO<sub>x</sub> and CO emissions reduced by about 68.3% and 65.7% respectively; NMVOC levels showed a decrease by 51.8%.

**Table ES.3. Total emissions of indirect greenhouse gases and SO<sub>2</sub> (1990-2018) [kt]**

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
	kt									
NO <sub>x</sub>	2,128	1,992	1,511	1,294	940	722	703	649	642	630
CO	6,796	7,071	4,750	3,467	3,073	2,270	2,194	2,260	2,051	2,061
NMVOC	1,994	2,059	1,630	1,340	1,117	901	884	925	897	894
SO <sub>2</sub>	1,784	1,322	757	411	222	127	119	117	109	105

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## Sommario (Italian)

Nel documento “Italian Greenhouse Gas Inventory 1990-2019. National Inventory Report 2021” si descrive la comunicazione annuale italiana dell’inventario delle emissioni dei gas serra in accordo a quanto previsto nell’ambito della Convenzione Quadro sui Cambiamenti Climatici delle Nazioni Unite (UNFCCC), del protocollo di Kyoto. Tale comunicazione è anche trasmessa all’Unione Europea nell’ambito del Meccanismo di Monitoraggio dei Gas Serra.

Ogni Paese che partecipa alla Convenzione, infatti, oltre a fornire annualmente l’inventario nazionale delle emissioni dei gas serra secondo i formati richiesti, deve documentare in un *report*, il *National Inventory Report*, la serie storica delle emissioni. La documentazione prevede una spiegazione degli andamenti osservati, una descrizione dell’analisi delle sorgenti principali, *key sources*, e dell’incertezza ad esse associata, un riferimento alle metodologie di stima e alle fonti dei dati di base e dei fattori di emissione utilizzati per le stime, un’illustrazione del sistema di *Quality Assurance/Quality Control* a cui è soggetto l’inventario e delle attività di verifica effettuate sui dati.

Il *National Inventory Report* facilita, inoltre, i processi internazionali di verifica cui le stime di emissione dei gas serra sono sottoposte al fine di esaminarne la rispondenza alle proprietà di trasparenza, consistenza, comparabilità, completezza e accuratezza nella realizzazione, qualità richieste esplicitamente dalla Convenzione suddetta. Nel caso in cui, durante il processo di *review*, siano identificati eventuali errori nel formato di trasmissione o stime non supportate da adeguata documentazione e giustificazione nella metodologia scelta, il Paese viene invitato ad una revisione delle stime di emissione.

I dati di emissione dei gas-serra, i rapporti *National Inventory Report*, così come i risultati dei processi di *review*, sono pubblicati sul sito web del Segretariato della Convenzione sui Cambiamenti Climatici

<https://unfccc.int/ghg-inventories-annex-i-parties/2021>.

La serie storica nazionale delle emissioni è anche disponibile sul sito web all’indirizzo: <http://www.sinanet.isprambiente.it/it/sia-ispra/serie-storiche-emissioni>.

Da un’analisi di sintesi della serie storica dei dati di emissione dal 1990 al 2019, si evidenzia che le emissioni nazionali totali dei sei gas serra, espresse in CO<sub>2</sub> equivalente, sono diminuite del 19.4% nel 2019 rispetto al 1990. In particolare, le emissioni complessive di CO<sub>2</sub> sono pari all’81.2% del totale e risultano nel 2019 inferiori del 22.7% rispetto al 1990. Le emissioni di metano e di protossido di azoto sono pari a circa il 10.3% e 4.1% del totale, rispettivamente, e presentano andamenti in diminuzione sia per il metano (-12.9%) che per il protossido di azoto (-33.9%). Gli altri gas serra, HFC, PFC, SF<sub>6</sub> e NF<sub>3</sub>, hanno un peso complessivo sul totale delle emissioni che varia tra lo 0.01% e il 4.0%; le emissioni degli HFC evidenziano una forte crescita, mentre le emissioni di PFC decrescono e quelle di SF<sub>6</sub> e NF<sub>3</sub> mostrano un incremento. Sebbene tali variazioni non siano risultate determinanti ai fini del conseguimento degli obiettivi di riduzione delle emissioni, la significatività del trend degli HFC potrebbe renderli sempre più importanti nei prossimi anni.

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**PART I: ANNUAL INVENTORY SUBMISSION**

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# 1. INTRODUCTION

## 1.1 Background information on greenhouse gas inventories and climate change

In 1988 the World Meteorological Organisation (WMO) and the United Nations Environment Program (UNEP) established a scientific Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) in order to evaluate the available scientific information on climate variations, examine the social and economical influence on climate change and formulate suitable strategies for the prevention and the control of climate change.

The first IPCC report in 1990, although considering the high uncertainties in the evaluation of climate change, emphasised the risk of a global warming due to an unbalance in the climate system originated by the increase of anthropogenic emissions of greenhouse gases (GHGs) caused by industrial development and use of fossil fuels. More recently, the scientific knowledge on climate change has firmed up considerably by the IPCC Fifth Assessment Report on global warming which states that “Human influence on the climate system is clear, and recent anthropogenic emissions of greenhouse gases are the highest in history. Recent climate changes have had widespread impacts on human and natural systems.” and “Warming of the climate system is unequivocal, and since the 1950s, many of the observed changes are unprecedented over decades to millennia. The atmosphere and ocean have warmed, the amounts of snow and ice have diminished, and sea level has risen.” Hence the need of reducing those emissions, particularly for the most industrialised countries.

The first initiative was taken by the European Union (EU) at the end of 1990, when the EU adopted the goal of a stabilisation of carbon dioxide emissions by the year 2000 at the level of 1990 and requested Member States to plan and implement initiatives for environmental protection and energy efficiency. The contents of EU statement were the base for the negotiation of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) which was approved in New York on 9<sup>th</sup> May 1992 and signed during the summit of the Earth in Rio de Janeiro in June 1992. Parties to the Convention are committed to develop, publish and regularly update national emission inventories of greenhouse gases (GHGs) as well as formulate and implement programmes addressing anthropogenic GHG emissions. Specifically, Italy ratified the convention through law no.65 of 15/1/1994.

On 11/12/1997, Parties to the Convention adopted the Kyoto Protocol, which establishes emission reduction objectives for Annex B Parties (i.e. industrialised countries and countries with economy in transition) in the period 2008-2012. In particular, the European Union as a whole was committed to an 8% reduction within the period 2008-2012, in comparison with base year levels. For Italy, the EU burden sharing agreement, set out in Annex II to Decision 2002/358/EC and in accordance with Article 4 of the Kyoto Protocol, established a reduction objective of 6.5% in the commitment period, in comparison with the base 1990 levels.

Italy ratified the Kyoto Protocol on 1<sup>st</sup> June 2002 through law no.120 of 01/06/2002. The ratification law also prescribes the preparation of a National Action Plan to reduce greenhouse gas emission, which was adopted by the Interministerial Committee for Economic Planning (CIPE) on 19<sup>th</sup> December 2002 (deliberation n. 123 of 19/12/2002). The Kyoto Protocol finally entered into force on 16<sup>th</sup> February 2005.

The first commitment period ended in 2012, with an extension, for fulfilling commitments, to 18<sup>th</sup> November 2015, the so called *true-up period*. The evaluation of the Kyoto Protocol, together with the commitments fulfilled by each Party, has been finalized by the UNFCCC Secretariat.

A new global agreement was reached in Paris in December 2015, for the period after 2020. The agreement aims to strengthen the global response to the threat of climate change by holding the increase in the global temperature to well below 2°C above pre-industrial levels and to pursue efforts to limit the temperature increase to 1.5 °C above pre-industrial levels, recognizing that this would significantly reduce the risks and impact of climate change. In order to achieve this long-term temperature goal, Parties aim to reach global peaking of GHG emissions as soon as possible and undertake rapid reductions so as to achieve a balance between anthropogenic emissions by sources and removals by sinks in the second half of this century. Each Party shall prepare, communicate and maintain successive nationally determined contributions that it intends to achieve. On 5 October 2016, the threshold for entry into force of the Paris Agreement was achieved (at least 55 Parties to the Convention accounting in total for at least an estimated 55 percent of the total global greenhouse gas emissions, where “total global greenhouse gas emissions” means the most up-to-date amount communicated on or before the date of adoption of the Agreement). The Paris Agreement entered into force on 4 November 2016.

To fulfil the gap 2013-2020, the ‘Doha Amendment to the Kyoto Protocol’ was adopted on 8 December 2012. The amendment includes:

- New commitments for Annex I Parties to the Kyoto Protocol who agreed to take on commitments in a second commitment period from 1 January 2013 to 31 December 2020;
- A revised list of greenhouse gases (GHG) to be reported on by Parties in the second commitment period; and
- Amendments to several articles of the Kyoto Protocol which specifically referenced issues pertaining to the first commitment period and which needed to be updated for the second commitment period.

During the second commitment period, Parties committed to reduce GHG emissions by at least 18 percent below 1990 levels in the eight-year period from 2013 to 2020; however, the composition of Parties in the second commitment period is different from the first.

The EU and its Member States have committed to this second phase of the Kyoto Protocol and established to reduce their collective emissions to 20% below their levels in 1990 or other chosen base years; this is also reflected in the Doha Amendment. The target will be fulfilled jointly with Iceland.

In line with the Council's conclusions of 9 March 2012 and the offer of the Union and its Member States to take on an 80% target under the second commitment period, the emission levels of the Member States are equal to the sum of the annual emission allocations (AEA) for the period 2013-2020 determined pursuant to Decision No 406/2009/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council. That amount, based on global warming potential values from the Fourth Assessment Report of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, was determined under Annex II to Commission Decision 2013/162/EU and adjusted by Commission Implementing Decisions 2013/634/EU and 2017/1471/EU. The emission level for Iceland was determined in the Agreement with Iceland.

Member States are allowed certain flexibility in meeting their AEAs: overachievement in a given year can be carried over to subsequent years, up to 2020, and an emission allocation of up to 5% during 2013-2019 may be carried forward from the following year (Article 3.2 of the Decision). Moreover, during 2013-2019 Member States may transfer part of their AEA for a given year to other Member States under certain conditions (Articles 3.4 and 3.5) and international credits can be used under certain quantitative and qualitative conditions (Article 5). In complying with the commitments of the Effort Sharing Decision, Italy used the flexibility of carrying over the surplus of AEAs for the years 2013, 2014 and 2015. In the period 2013-2018 Italy made no use of project credits and performed no transfers of AEAs to other Member States, therefore no specific information is reported according to Annex XIV and XV of Implementing Regulation 2014/749/EU.

The European Council adopted on 13 July 2015 the legislation necessary for the European Union to formally ratify the second commitment period of the Kyoto Protocol.

The Council adopted two decisions:

- Council Decision on the ratification of the Doha amendment to the Kyoto Protocol establishing the second commitment period, and
- Council Decision on the agreement between the EU, its Member States and Iceland, necessary for the joint fulfillment of the second commitment period of the Kyoto Protocol.

In parallel with the ratification by the EU, the Member States and Iceland will be finalising their national ratification processes. The EU, its Member States and Iceland are expected to simultaneously deposit their respective instruments of acceptance with the UN in the coming months.

As a Party to the Convention and the Kyoto Protocol, Italy is committed to develop, publish and regularly update national emission inventories as well as formulate and implement programmes to reduce these emissions. In order to establish compliance with national and international commitments, air emission inventories are compiled and communicated annually to the competent institutions.

Specifically, the national GHG emission inventory is communicated through compilation of the Common Reporting Format (CRF), according to the guidelines provided by the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change and the European Union's Greenhouse Gas Monitoring Mechanism (IPCC, 1997; IPCC, 2000; IPCC, 2003; IPCC, 2006; IPCC, 2014; EMEP/CORINAIR, 2007; EMEP/EEA, 2019).

The inventory is updated annually in order to reflect revisions and improvements in methodology and availability of new information. Recalculations are applied retrospectively to earlier years, which account for any difference in previously published data.

The submission also provides for detailed information on emission figures and estimation methodologies in the annual National Inventory Report.

As follows, this report is compiled according to the guidelines on reporting as specified in the document FCCC/CP/2013/10/Add.3, Decision 24/CP.19. An analysis of the 2019 Italian GHG emission inventory, and

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a revision of the entire time series from 1990, communicated in the framework of the annual submission under the Climate Change Convention and the Kyoto Protocol, is provided in the document. It is also the annual submission to the European Commission in the framework of the Greenhouse Gas Monitoring Mechanism.

Concerning the reporting and accounting requirements, under the KP CP2 each Party is required to submit a report, the initial report, to facilitate the calculation of its assigned amount and to demonstrate its capacity to account for its emissions and assigned amount (UNFCCC Decision 2/CMP.8). The ratification decision allows a joint initial report of the EU, its Member States and Iceland, to be prepared by the European Commission, and individual initial reports of each Member States and Iceland.

In its Initial Report, Italy specified its national assigned amount as well as the commitment period reserve. The election of cropland and grazing land management activities under Article 3, paragraph 4, of the Kyoto Protocol for the commitment period 2013-2020 is indicated in the same document.

Emission estimates comprise the six direct greenhouse gases under the Kyoto Protocol (carbon dioxide, methane, nitrous oxide, hydrofluorocarbons, perfluorocarbons, sulphur hexafluoride) plus nitrogen trifluoride (NF<sub>3</sub>) which contribute directly to climate change owing to their positive radiative forcing effect and four indirect greenhouse gases (nitrogen oxides, carbon monoxide, non-methane volatile organic compounds, sulphur dioxide).

The CRF files, the national inventory reports and other related documents are available at the address <http://www.sinanet.isprambiente.it/it/sia-ispra/serie-storiche-emissioni>.

Information on accounts, legal entities, Art.6 projects, holdings and transactions is publicly available at: <http://www.info-ets.isprambiente.it/index.php?p=publicinfo>.

The internet address of the Italian registry is:

<https://ets-registry.webgate.ec.europa.eu/euregistry/IT/index.xhtml>.

The official inventory submissions can also be found at the UNFCCC website:

<https://unfccc.int/ghg-inventories-annex-i-parties/2021>.

The present document is the official submission, for the year 2021, under the UNFCCC and the Kyoto Protocol.

## **1.2 Description of the institutional arrangement for inventory preparation**

### **1.2.1 National Inventory System**

The National System for the Italian Greenhouse Gas Inventory was established by the Legislative Decree 51 of March 7<sup>th</sup> 2008 and confirmed by the Legislative Decree 30 of March 13<sup>th</sup> 2013.

Article 5.1 of the Kyoto Protocol established that Annex I Parties should have in place a National System since the end of 2006 for estimating anthropogenic greenhouse gas emissions by sources and removals by sinks and for reporting and archiving inventory information according to the guidelines specified in the UNFCCC Decision 20/COP.7. This decision is updated by Decision 24/CP.19, which calling the system national inventory arrangements does not change the basic requests of functionality and operability.

In addition, the Decision of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning a mechanism for monitoring Community greenhouse gas emissions (EC, 2004) required that Member States established a national greenhouse gas inventory system since the end of 2005 at the latest and that the Commission adopts the EC's inventory system since 30 June 2006.

The 'National Registry for Carbon sinks', instituted by a Ministerial Decree on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2008, is part of the Italian National System and includes information on lands subject to activities under Article 3.3 and Article 3.4 of the Kyoto Protocol and related carbon stock changes. In agreement with the Ministerial decree art.4, the Ministry for the Environment, Land and Sea is responsible for the management of the National Registry for Carbon sinks. The Decree also provides that ISPRA and the former State Forestry Service, now Carabinieri Forestali, are involved by the Ministry as technical scientific support for specific activities as defined in the relevant protocol. ISPRA is responsible for the preparation of emission and removals estimates for the LULUCF sector and for KP LULUCF supplementary information under art.7.1 of the Kyoto Protocol. Following an update of the abovementioned Ministerial Decree, in 2013, the Institute for Services on Agricultural and Agro-food Market (ISMEA<sup>1</sup>) has been designated for the technical coordination of the section related to cropland and grazing land management of the National Registry of Carbon Sinks.

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<sup>1</sup> ISMEA is a public body, providing support to public and private sector. According to DPR 31 March 2001, n. 200, ISMEA is part of the National Statistical System – SISTAN and of the National Agricultural Information System – SIAN.

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The National Registry for Carbon sinks is the instrument to estimate, following the COP/MOP decisions and in accordance with the IPCC guidelines, the greenhouse gases emissions by sources and removals by sinks in the land subject to art. 3.3 and art. 3.4 activities of the Kyoto Protocol and to account for the net removals in order to allow the Italian Registry to issue the corresponding amount of RMUs.

Detailed information on the Registry is included in Annex 10, whereas additional information on activities under Article 3.3 and Article 3.4 of the Kyoto Protocol is reported in paragraph 1.2.2.

Moreover, in the context of the Kyoto Protocol commitments and its amendment ('Doha amendment') for the second Commitment Period (2013-2020), Italy adopted, in 2016, the Law N. 79/2016, "Ratification of the Doha amendment to the Kyoto Protocol", which establishes, according to article 12 of 525/2013/EU (the Monitoring Mechanism Regulation), the National system for policies, measures and emissions projections. ISPRA is also responsible of this system and, in cooperation with IMELS, collects all the information and data from the competent Ministries. Article 1 of the Decree implementing law N. 79 (9<sup>th</sup> December 2016), reports the list of information and data that are to be sent by the competent ministries to IMELS and ISPRA and also the timing for providing such information. With the establishment of this system, there has been a strengthening of roles and obligations for statistical data flow, some of which are useful for the inventory scope.

The Italian National System, currently in place, is fully described in the document 'National Greenhouse Gas Inventory System in Italy' (ISPRA, 2018). No changes with respect to the last year submission occurred in the National System.

A summary picture is reported herebelow.

As indicated by art. 14 bis of the Legislative Decree, the Institute for Environmental Protection and Research (ISPRA), former Agency for Environmental Protection and Technical Services (APAT), is the single entity in charge of the preparation and compilation of the national greenhouse gas emission inventory. The Ministry for the Environment, Land and Sea is responsible for the endorsement of the inventory and for the communication to the Secretariat of the Framework Convention on Climate Change and the Kyoto Protocol. The inventory is also submitted to the European Commission in the framework of the Greenhouse Gas Monitoring Mechanism. The Institute prepares a document which describes the national system including all updated information on institutional, legal and procedural arrangements for estimating emissions and removals of greenhouse gases and for reporting and archiving inventory information. The document is updated when there is the need to describe an annual change occurred in the system. The reports are publicly available at <http://www.sinanet.isprambiente.it/it/sia-ispra/serie-storiche-emissioni>.

A specific unit of the Institute is responsible for the compilation of the Italian Atmospheric Emission Inventory and the Italian Greenhouse Gas Inventory in the framework of the Convention on Climate Change and the Convention on Long Range Transboundary Air Pollution. The whole inventory is compiled by the Institute. ISPRA is responsible for the general administration of the inventory and all aspects related to its preparation, reporting and quality management. Activities include the collection and processing of data from different data sources, the selection of appropriate emissions factors and estimation methods consistent with the IPCC Guidelines, the compilation of the inventory following the QA/QC procedures, the assessment of uncertainty, the preparation of the National Inventory Report and the reporting through the Common Reporting Format, the response to the review process, the updating and data storage.

Scientific and technical institutions and consultants may be engaged for ad hoc studies and researches aimed at improving both activity data and emission factors, at country level, for some specific activities.

Also there are different institutions responsible for statistical basic information and data publication, primary to ISPRA for carrying out estimates. These institutions are part of the National Statistical System (Sistan), which periodically provides official statistics at national level; moreover, the National Statistical System ensures the homogeneity of the methods used for official statistics through a coordination plan, involving the entire public administration at central, regional and local levels.

The National Statistical System is coordinated by the Italian National Institute of Statistics (ISTAT); other bodies, joining the National Statistical System, are the statistical offices of ministries, national agencies, regions and autonomous provinces, provinces, municipalities, research institutes, chambers of commerce, local governmental offices, some private agencies and private subjects who have specific characteristics determined by law.

The Italian statistical system was instituted on 6<sup>th</sup> September 1989 by the Legislative Decree n. 322/89, which established guiding principles and criteria for reforming public statistics. This decree addresses to all public statistical bodies and agencies which provide official statistics both at local, national and international level in order to assure homogeneity of the methods and comparability of the results. To this end, a national statistical plan which defines surveys, data elaborations and project studies for a three-year period was established to be

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drawn up and updated annually. The procedures to be followed with relation to the annual fulfilment as well as the forms to be filled in for census, data elaborations and projects, and how to deal with sensitive information were also defined.

The plan is deliberated by the Committee for addressing and coordinating statistical information (Comstat) and forwarded to the Commission for the assurance of statistical information; the Commission adopts the plan after endorsement of the Guarantor of the privacy of personal data.

Finally, the plan is approved by a Prime Ministerial Decree after consideration of the Interministerial Committee for economic planning (Cipe). The latest Prime Ministerial Decree approved the three-year plan for 2017-2019, updated for 2018 and 2019 (GU Serie Generale n.66, 20/03/2018); the last plan for 2020-2022 has been approved and is under the process of official publication. Statistical information and results deriving from the completion of the plan are of public domain and the system is responsible for wide circulation.

Ministries, public agencies and other bodies are obliged to provide the data and information specified in the annual statistical plan; the same obligations regard the private entities. All the data are protected by the principles of statistical disclosure control and can be distributed and communicated only at aggregate level even though microdata can circulate among the subjects of the Statistical System.

Sistan activity is supervised by the Commission for Guaranteeing Statistical Information (CGIS) which is an external and independent body. In particular, the Commission supervises: the impartiality and completeness of statistical information, the quality of methodologies, the compliance of surveys with EU and international directives. The Commission, established within the Presidency of the Council of Ministers, is composed of high-profile university professors, directors of statistical or research institutes and managers of public administrations and bodies, which do not participate at Sistan.

The main Sistan products, which are primarily necessary for the inventory compilation, are:

- National Statistical Yearbooks, Monthly Statistical Bulletins, by ISTAT (National Institute of Statistics);
- Annual Report on the Energy and Environment, by ENEA (Agency for New Technologies, Energy and the Environment);
- National Energy Balance (annual), Petrochemical Bulletin (quarterly publication), by MSE (Ministry of Economic Development);
- Transport Statistics Yearbooks, by MIT (Ministry of Transportation);
- Annual Statistics on Electrical Energy in Italy, by TERNA (National Independent System Operator);
- Annual Report on Waste, by ISPRA;
- National Forestry Inventory, by “Carabinieri Forestali”<sup>2</sup>

The national emission inventory is also a Sistan product.

Other information and data sources are used to carry out emission estimates, which are generally referred to in Table 1.1 of the following section 1.4

### ***1.2.2 Institutional arrangement for reporting under Article 3, paragraphs 3 and 4 of Kyoto Protocol***

The ‘National Registry for Carbon sinks’, instituted by a Ministerial Decree on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2008, is part of the Italian National System. In 2009, a technical group, formed by experts from different institutions (ISPRA, Ministry of the Environment, Land and Sea, Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Forest Policies and University of Tuscia), set up the methodological plan of the activities necessary to implement the registry and defined the relative funding. Several activities have been implemented and carried out; in particular IUTI (inventory of land use, see Annex 10) has been completed, resulting in land use classification, for all national territory. Verification and validation activities have been undertaken and the resulting time series have been discussed with the institutions involved in the data providing; details are provided in paragraph 6.1 and in the Annex 10. Italy has elected cropland management (CM) and grazing land management (GM) as additional activities under Article 3.4 of the Kyoto Protocol. Following Decision 2/CMP.7, in the second commitment period forest management (FM) is a mandatory activity under Article 3.4. The description of the main elements of the institutional arrangement under Article 3.3 and activities elected under Article 3.4 is detailed in Annex 10. Italy selected to account for Article 3.3 and 3.4 elected activities at the end of the commitment period.

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<sup>2</sup> <http://www.carabinieri.it/arma/oggi/organizzazione/organizzazione-per-la-tutela-forestale-ambientale-e-agroalimentare>

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### **1.2.3 National Registry System**

In March 2006 Italy started operating a national registry under Article 19 of Directive 2003/87/EC of the European Commission establishing the European Emission Trading Scheme (EU ETS). This registry was conceived for the administration of emissions allowances allocated to operators participating to the EU ETS and it was developed according to the UN Data Exchange Standards document. As a consequence, in October 2008, after the initialization process and a go-live phase with the UNFCCC, the registry established under Directive 2003/87/CE became part of the Kyoto system of registries, ensuring the precise tracking of holdings, issuances, transfers, cancellations and retirements of Kyoto units.

In 2012 all national registries of the EU Member States as well as the national registries of Norway, Liechtenstein and Iceland were grouped in a single central software system managed by the European Commission. The Consolidated System of European Registries, in short CSEUR, was developed together with the new EU registry on the basis the following modalities:

1. Each Party retains its organization designated as its registry administrator to maintain the national registry of that Party and remains responsible for all the obligations of Parties that are to be fulfilled through registries;
2. Each Kyoto unit issued by the Parties in such a consolidated system is issued by one of the constituent Parties and continues to carry the Party of origin identifier in its unique serial number;
3. Each Party retains its own set of national accounts as required by paragraph 21 of the Annex to Decision 15/CMP.1. Each account within a national registry keeps a unique account number comprising the identifier of the Party and a unique number within the Party where the account is maintained;
4. Kyoto transactions continue to be forwarded to and checked by the UNFCCC Independent Transaction Log (ITL), which remains responsible for verifying the accuracy and validity of those transactions;
5. The transaction log and registries continue to reconcile their data with each other in order to ensure data consistency and facilitate the automated checks of the ITL;
6. The requirements of paragraphs 44 to 48 of the Annex to Decision 13/CMP.1 concerning making non-confidential information accessible to the public is fulfilled by each Party through a publically available web page hosted by the Union registry;
7. All registries reside on a consolidated IT platform sharing the same infrastructure technologies. The chosen architecture implements modalities to ensure that the consolidated national registries are uniquely identifiable, protected and distinguishable from each other, notably:
  - With regards to the data exchange, each national registry connects to the ITL directly and establishes a secure communication link through a consolidated communication channel (VPN tunnel);
  - The ITL remains responsible for authenticating the national registries and takes the full and final record of all transactions involving Kyoto units and other administrative processes such that those actions cannot be disputed or repudiated;
  - With regards to the data storage, the consolidated platform continues to guarantee that data is kept confidential and protected against unauthorized manipulation;
  - The data storage architecture also ensures that the data pertaining to a national registry are distinguishable and uniquely identifiable from the data pertaining to other consolidated national registries;
  - In addition, each consolidated national registry keeps a distinct user access entry point (URL) and a distinct set of authorisation and configuration rules.

Following the successful implementation of the CSEUR, the 28 national registries concerned were re-certified in June 2012 and switched over to their new national registry on 20 June 2012. Croatia was migrated and consolidated as of 1 March 2013. During the go-live process, all relevant transaction and holdings data were migrated to the Union registry platform and the individual connections to and from the ITL were re-established for each Party.

A complete description of the consolidated registry has been provided in the common readiness documentation and specific readiness documentation for the national registry of the EU and all consolidating national registries. This description includes:

- Readiness questionnaire
- Application logging
- Change management procedure
- Disaster recovery
- Manual Intervention

- Operational Plan
- Roles and responsibilities
- Security Plan
- Time Validation Plan
- Version change Management

The documents above have been annexed to the National Inventory Report submission for year 2013.

A new central service desk has been set up to support the registry administrators of the consolidated system. The new service desk acts as 2nd level of support to the local support provided by the Parties. It also plays a key communication role with the ITL Service Desk with regards notably to connectivity or reconciliation issues.

With regards to the administration of the Registry, the Italian Government adopted Legislative Decree N. 30 of 13 March 2013 (modified by Legislative Decree N. 111 of 12 July 2015) which enforces European Directive 2009/29/EC amending Directive 2003/87/EC. This decree has been in force for the first half of 2020 and eventually abrogated on 9 June 2020 by Legislative Decree N. 47, enforcing European Directive 2018/410/EC. According to both Decrees ISPRA is responsible for the administration of the national section of the Union Registry and the Kyoto National Registry; the Institute performs this task under the supervision of the national Competent Authority.

Legislative Decree 30/2013 also establishes that economic resources for the technical and administrative support of the Registry are supplied to ISPRA by account holders paying a fee. The amount of such a fee has been regulated by Ministerial Decree of 25<sup>th</sup> July 2016.

ISPRA set up an operational unit for the administration of the National Registry. In the reporting period, six persons have been working for this unit in order to maintain the Registry:

- 1 chief of the unit;
- 4 employees in charge of Registry functions and operations, resolution of problems, implementation in the Registry of deliberations of Competent Authority, documents and procedures arrangement, helpdesk and support to users, reporting, security issues;
- 1 employee dedicated to documentation archiving and some administrative tasks.

A description of the Italian registry system is given in Annex 11.

Information on accounting of Kyoto Protocol units, including a summary of information reported in the standard electronic format (SEF) tables is provided in Chapter 10, while information on changes in the National Registry is reported in Chapter 12.

SEF tables including all data referring to units holdings and transactions during the year 2020 can be found in Annex 8.

### **1.3 Brief description of the process of inventory preparation**

ISPRA has established fruitful cooperation with a number of governmental and research institutions as well as industrial associations, which helps improving the accuracy of the estimates of some leading categories of the inventory. These activities aim at the improvement of provision and collection of basic data and emission factors, through plant-specific data, and exchange of information on scientific studies and new sources. Moreover, when in depth investigation is needed and a high uncertainty in the estimates is present, ISPRA may commit specific sector studies to ad hoc research teams or consultants.

The final aim is for ISPRA to improve the implementation of country specific methodologies and use of national emission factors and parameters.

ISPRA also coordinates with different national and regional authorities and private institutions for the cross-checking of parameters and estimates as well as with ad hoc expert panels in order to improve the completeness and transparency of the inventory.

The main basic data needed for the preparation of the GHG inventory are energy statistics published by the Ministry of Economic Development Activities (MSE) in the National Energy Balance (BEN), statistics on industrial and agricultural production published by the National Institute of Statistics (ISTAT), statistics on transportation provided by the Ministry of Transportation (MIT), and data supplied directly by the relevant professional associations.

Emission factors and methodologies used in the estimation process are consistent with the IPCC Guidelines and supported by national experiences and circumstances.

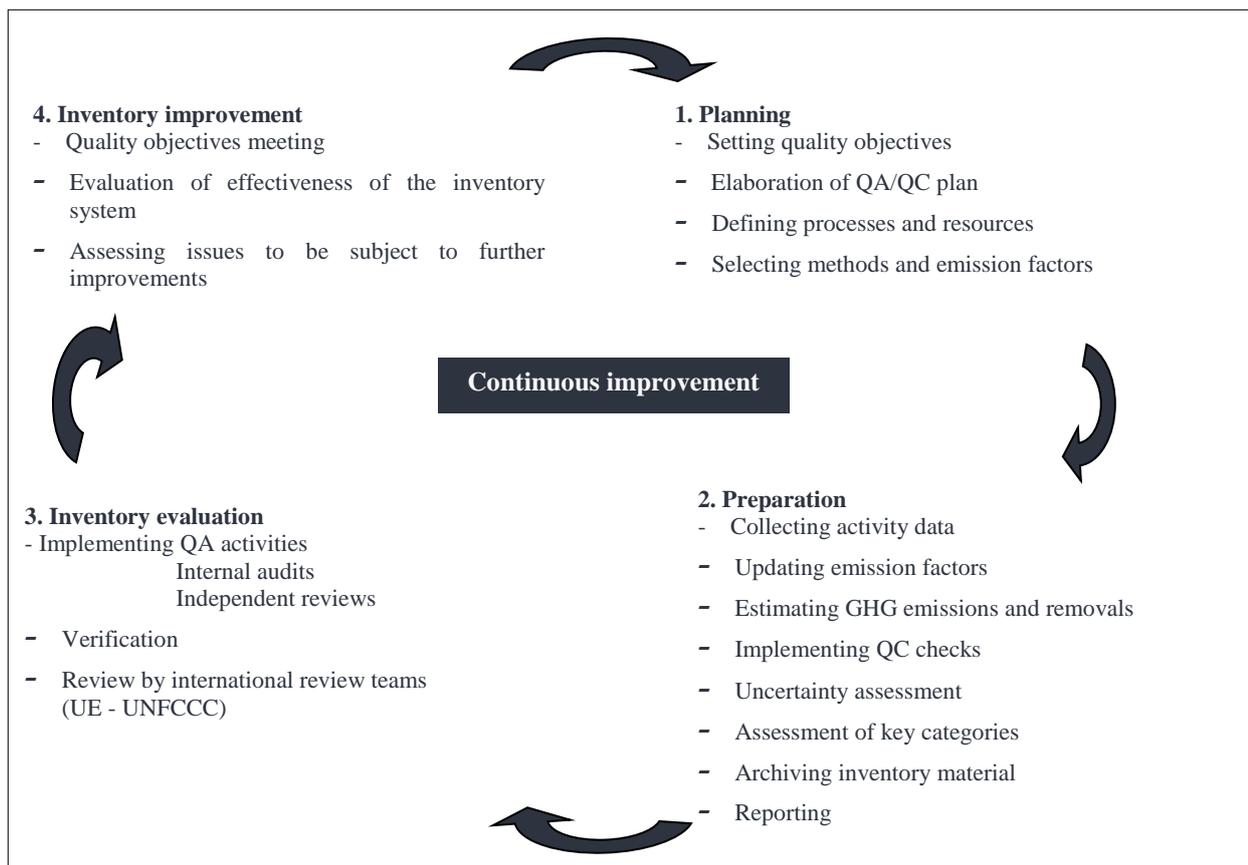
In addition to a new year, the entire time series from 1990 is checked and revised during the annual compilation of the inventory in order to meet the requirements of transparency, consistency, comparability, completeness

and accuracy of the inventory. Measures to guarantee and improve these qualifications are undertaken and recalculations should be considered as a contribution to the overall improvement of the inventory.

In particular, recalculations are elaborated on account of changes in the methodologies used to carry out emission estimates, changes due to different allocation of emissions as compared to previous submissions and changes due to error corrections. The inventory may also be expanded by including categories not previously estimated if sufficient information on activity data and suitable emission factors have been identified and collected.

Information on the major recalculations is provided every year in the sectoral and general chapters of the national inventory reports.

In Figure 1.1 the most important steps to guarantee the continuous improvement of the national GHG emission inventory are outlined.



**Figure 1.1 National Greenhouse Gas Inventory: annual inventory process**

All the reference material, estimates and calculation sheets, as well as the documentation on scientific papers and the basic data needed for the inventory compilation, are stored and archived at the Institute. After each reporting cycle, all database files, spreadsheets and electronic documents are archived as ‘read-only-files’ so that the documentation and estimates could be traced back during the review process or the new inventory compilation year.

Technical reports and emission figures are publicly available on website at the address <http://www.sinanet.isprambiente.it/it/sia-ispra/serie-storiche-emissioni>.

## **1.4 Brief general description of methodologies and data sources used**

A detailed description of methodologies and data sources used in the preparation of the emission inventory for each sector is outlined in the relevant chapters. In Table 1.1, a summary of the activity data and sources used in the inventory compilation is reported.

Methodologies are consistent with the IPCC Guidelines and EMEP/EEA Guidebooks (IPCC, 1997; IPCC, 2000; IPCC, 2003; IPCC, 2006; EMEP/CORINAIR, 2007; EMEP/EEA, 2016; EMEP/EEA, 2019); national emission factors are used as well as default emission factors from international guidebooks, when national data are not available. The development of national methodologies is supported by background documents.

In Table 1.2, a summary of the methods and emission factors used in the compilation of the Italian inventory is reported. A more detailed table, describing methods and emission factors for the key categories of the national inventory for 2019, is included in Annex 9.

**Table 1.1 Main activity data and sources for the Italian Emission Inventory**

<b>SECTOR</b>	<b>ACTIVITY DATA</b>	<b>SOURCE</b>
<b>1 Energy</b>		
1A1 Energy Industries	Fuel use	Energy Balance - Ministry of Economic Development Major national electricity producers European Emissions Trading Scheme
1A2 Manufacturing Industries and Construction	Fuel use	Energy Balance - Ministry of Economic Development Major National Industry Corporation European Emissions Trading Scheme
1A3 Transport	Fuel use Number of vehicles Aircraft landing and take-off cycles and maritime activities	Energy Balance - Ministry of Economic Development Statistical Yearbooks - National Statistical System Statistical Yearbooks - Ministry of Transportation Statistical Yearbooks - Italian Civil Aviation Authority (ENAC) Maritime and Airport local authorities
1A4 Residential-public-commercial sector	Fuel use	Energy Balance - Ministry of Economic Development
1B Fugitive Emissions from Fuel	Amount of fuel treated, stored, distributed	Energy Balance - Ministry of Economic Development Statistical Yearbooks - Ministry of Transportation Major National Industry Corporation
<b>2 Industrial Processes and Product Use</b>	Production data	National Statistical Yearbooks- National Institute of Statistics International Statistical Yearbooks-UN European Emissions Trading Scheme European Pollutant Release and Transfer Register Sectoral Industrial Associations
<b>3 Agriculture</b>	Agricultural surfaces Production data Number of animals Fertiliser consumption	Agriculture Statistical Yearbooks - National Institute of Statistics Sectoral Agriculture Associations
<b>4 Land Use, Land Use Change and Forestry</b>	Forest area, biomass increment and stock Biomass burnt	National Forestry Service (CFS) - National and Regional Forestry Inventory Statistical Yearbooks - National Institute of Statistics Universities and Research Institutes
<b>5 Waste</b>	Amount of waste	National Waste Cadastre - Institute for Environmental Protection and Research , National Waste Observatory

**Table 1.2 Methods and emission factors used in the inventory preparation**

SUMMARY 3 SUMMARY REPORT FOR METHODS AND EMISSION FACTORS USED																
GREENHOUSE GAS SOURCE AND SINK CATEGORIES	CO <sub>2</sub>		CH <sub>4</sub>		N <sub>2</sub> O		HFCs		PFCs		SF <sub>6</sub>		Unspecified mix of HFCs and PFCs		NF <sub>3</sub>	
	Method applied	Emission factor	Method applied	Emission factor	Method applied	Emission factor	Method applied	Emission factor	Method applied	Emission factor	Method applied	Emission factor	Method applied	Emission factor	Method applied	Emission factor
<b>1. Energy</b>	T1,T2,T3	CS,D,M	T1,T2,T3	CR,CS,D,M	T1,T2,T3	CR,D,M										
A. Fuel combustion	T1,T2,T3	CS,M	T1,T2,T3	CR,D,M	T1,T2,T3	CR,D,M										
1. Energy industries	T3	CS	T3	CR,D	T3	CR,D										
2. Manufacturing industries and construction	T2	CS	T2	CR,D	T2	CR,D										
3. Transport	T1,T2	CS,M	T1,T2,T3	CR,M	T1,T2,T3	CR,M										
4. Other sectors	T2	CS	T2	CR	T2	CR										
5. Other	T2	CS	T2	CR	T2	CR										
B. Fugitive emissions from fuels	T1,T2	CS,D	T1,T2	CR,CS,D	T1	D										
1. Solid fuels			T1,T2	CR,D												
2. Oil and natural gas	T1,T2	CS,D	T1,T2	CR,CS,D	T1	D										
C. CO <sub>2</sub> transport and storage																
<b>2. Industrial processes</b>	CR,CS,D,T1,T2,T3	CR,CS,D,M,PS	D,T1	CR,CS,D	CS,T3	CS,D,PS	CS,T2	CS,D,PS	CS,T2	CS,PS	CS,T2	CS,PS	CS	PS	T2	CS
A. Mineral industry	T2	CS,PS														
B. Chemical industry	D,T2,T3	CR,PS	D,T1	CR,CS,D	T3	D,PS	CS	PS	CS	PS						
C. Metal industry	T2	CR,CS,PS	D	CS,D			T2	PS								
D. Non-energy products from fuels and solvent use	CR,CS,T1,T2	CR,CS,D,M,PS														
E. Electronic industry							T2	CS	T2	CS	T2	CS	CS	PS	T2	CS
F. Product uses as ODS substitutes							T2	CS,D								
G. Other product manufacture and use					CS	CS						CS,T2	CS,PS			
H. Other																
<b>3. Agriculture</b>	T1	D	T1,T2	CS,D	CS,T1,T2	CS,D										
A. Enteric fermentation			T1,T2	CS,D												
B. Manure management			T1,T2	CS,D	T2	CS,D										
C. Rice cultivation			T2	CS												
D. Agricultural soils <sup>5b</sup>					CS,T1	CS,D										
E. Prescribed burning of savannas																
F. Field burning of agricultural residues			T1	CS,D	T1	CS,D										
G. Liming	T1	D														
H. Urea application	T1	D														
I. Other carbon-containing fertilizers	T1	D														
J. Other																
<b>4. Land use, land-use change and forestry</b>	T1,T2,T3	CS,D	T1,T2	CS,D	T1,T2	CS,D										
A. Forest land	T1,T2,T3	CS,D	T2	CS,D	T2	CS,D										
B. Cropland	T1,T2	CS,D	T1	D	T1	D										
C. Grassland	T1,T2,T3	CS,D	T1	CS	T1	CS										
D. Wetlands	T1	D														
E. Settlements	T1	D			T1	D										
F. Other land																
G. Harvested wood products	T2	CS														
H. Other																
<b>5. Waste</b>	D,T1	CS,D	D,T1,T2	CR,CS,D	D,T1	CR,CS,D										
A. Solid waste disposal			T2	CS												
B. Biological treatment of solid waste			D	CS,D	D	D										
C. Incineration and open burning of waste	D,T1	CS,D	D,T1	CR,CS,D	D,T1	CS,D										
D. Waste water treatment and discharge			T1	D	T1	CR,D										
E. Other																
<b>6. Other (as specified in summary 1.A)</b>																

Use the following notation keys to specify the method applied:  
**D** (IPCC default)      **T1a, T1b, T1c** (IPCC Tier 1a, Tier 1b and Tier 1c, respectively)      **CR** (CORINAIR)      **M** (model)  
**RA** (Reference Approach)      **T2** (IPCC Tier 2)      **CS** (Country Specific)  
**T1** (IPCC Tier 1)      **T3** (IPCC Tier 3)      **OTH** (Other)

If using more than one method within one source category, list all the relevant methods. Explanations regarding country-specific methods, other methods or any modifications to the default IPCC methods, as well as information regarding the use of different methods per source category where more than one method is indicated, should be provided in the documentation box. Also use the documentation box to explain the use of notation OTH.

Use the following notation keys to specify the emission factor used:  
**D** (IPCC default)      **CS** (Country Specific)      **OTH** (Other)  
**CR** (CORINAIR)      **PS** (Plant Specific)      **M** (model)

Where a mix of emission factors has been used, list all the methods in the relevant cells and give further explanations in the documentation box. Also use the documentation box to explain the use of notation OTH.

Activity data used in emission calculations and their sources are briefly described here below. In general, for the energy sector, basic statistics for estimating emissions are fuel consumptions provided in the Energy Balance by the Ministry of Economic Development. Additional information for electricity production is supplied by the major national electricity producers and by the major national industry corporation. On the other hand, basic information for road transport, maritime and aviation, such as the number of vehicles, harbour statistics and aircraft landing and take-off cycles are published by the National Institute of Statistics and the Ministry of Transportation in the relevant statistical yearbooks. Other data are communicated by different category associations.

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In the last years, a lot of information on productions, fuel consumptions, emission factors and emissions in specific energy and industrial sub sectors is obtained from data collected by operators under the European Emissions Trading Scheme (ETS).

To implement the European Directive 2003/87 (EU, 2003), amended by Directive 2009/29/EC (EU, 2009) establishing the EU ETS, Italy, according to Legislative Decree n. 216/2006 (Legislative Decree, 2006) and Legislative Decree n. 51/2008 (MATTM, 2008), established the national registry and the national ETS committee. The criteria of data reporting are defined by Decision 2007/589/EC (EC, 2007), Monitoring and Reporting Guidelines for GHG emissions under ETS, and adopted at national level by Deliberation of the national ETS Committee n. 14/2010 (MATTM, 2009).

In compliance with the above-mentioned legislations, independent certifications and verifications of activity data, emission data and emission factors are required. At national level, data verification has to be carried out by verifiers accredited by the national ETS Committee according to the ministerial decree DEC/RAS/115/2006. The verification of data submissions ensures reliability, credibility, and precision/accuracy of monitoring systems for data and any information relating emissions by plant.

Data from the Italian Emissions Trading Scheme database are incorporated into the national inventory whenever the sectoral coverage is complete; in fact, ETS data not always entirely cover energy categories whereas national statistics, such as the national energy balance and the energy production and consumption statistics, provide the complete basic data needed for the Italian emission inventory. Nevertheless, ETS data are entirely used to develop country-specific emission factors and check activity data levels.

For the industrial sector, the annual production data are provided by national sources and international statistical yearbooks, such as the FAO database on food balance.

Emission data collected through the National Pollutant Release and Transfer Register are also used in the development of emission estimates or taken into account as a verification of emission estimates for some specific categories. According to the Italian Decree of 23 November 2001, data (reporting period 2002-2006) included in the Italian pollutant emissions register were validated by competent authorities within 30 June each year and communicated by ISPRA to the Ministry for the Environment, Land and Sea every year and to the European Commission every three years according to EC Decision 2000/479 (two reporting cycles: data related to 2002 and 2004 were reported respectively in 2003 and in 2006). Since 2008 the national pollutant emissions register has been replaced by the national pollutant release and transfer register (the Italian PRTR) to comply with Regulation EC n.166/2006; data are collected annually at facility level and sent, after validation, by competent authorities to European Commission within 31 March every year for data referring to the previous year. These data are used for the compilation of the inventory whenever they are complete in terms of sectoral information; in fact, industries communicate figures only if they exceed specific thresholds; furthermore, basic data such as fuel consumption are not supplied and production data are not always split by product but reported as an overall figure. In any case, the Italian PRTR is a good basis for data checks and a way to facilitate contacts with industries which, in many cases, supply, under request, additional information as necessary for carrying out sectoral emission estimates.

In addition, final emissions are checked and verified also taking into account figures reported by industries in their annual environmental reports.

Both for energy and industrial processes, emissions of large industrial point sources are registered individually; communication also takes place in the framework of the European Directive on Large Combustion Plants, based upon detailed information such as fuel consumption. Other small plants voluntarily communicate their emissions which are also considered individually. For solvents, the amount of solvent use is provided by environmental publications of sectoral industries and associations.

ISPRA directly collects data from the industrial associations under the ETS and other European directives, Large Combustion Plant and PRTR, and makes use of these data in the preparation of the national inventory ensuring the consistency of time series.

For the other sectors, i.e. for agriculture, annual production data and number of animals are provided by the National Institute of Statistics and other sectoral associations.

For land use, land use change and forestry, forest areas are derived from national forest inventories provided by the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Forest Policies (National Forest Service); the National Forest Service is also the provider of official statistics related to the areas subject to fires.

For waste, the main activity data are provided by the Institute for Environmental Protection and Research and the Waste Observatory.

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Unpublished data are used only if supported by personal communication and confidentiality of data is respected.

As for data disclosure, the inventory team is obliged to ensure confidentiality of sensitive information by legislation when data are communicated under specific directives or confidentiality is requested by data providers. In the case of data collection under the ETS, E-PRTR, large combustion plants and other directives, the database of the complete information is available only to a specific group of authorised persons which has the legal responsibility for the respect of confidentiality issues. In other cases, each expert is responsible for the data received, and confidentiality. In any case, all data are placed on a password protected access environment at ISPRA and available only to authorised experts of the inventory team.

All the material and documents used for the inventory estimation process are stored at the Institute for Environmental Protection and Research. Activity data and emission factors as well as methodologies are referenced to their data sources. A 'reference' database has also been developed and used to increase the transparency of the inventory.

## **1.5 Brief description of key categories**

A key category analysis of the Italian inventory is carried out according to the Approach 1 and Approach 2 described in the 2006 IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006).

Following the IPCC guidelines, a key category is defined as an emission category that has a significant influence on a country's GHG inventory in terms of the absolute level and trend in emissions and removals, or both. Key categories are those which, when summed together in descending order of magnitude, add up to over 95% of the total emissions or 90% of total uncertainty.

National emissions have been disaggregated into the categories proposed in the IPCC guidelines; other categories have been added to reflect specific national circumstances. Both level and trend analysis have been applied to the last submitted inventory; a key category analysis has also been carried out for the base year emission levels.

For the base year, 27 sources were individuated implementing Approach 1, whereas 30 sources were carried out by Approach 2. Including the LULUCF in the analysis, 34 categories were selected by Approach 1 and 35 by Approach 2. The description of these categories is shown in Table 1.3 and Table 1.4.

**Table 1.3 Key categories (excluding LULUCF) by the IPCC Approach 1 and Approach 2. Base year**

<i>Key categories (excluding the LULUCF sector)</i>		
1.A.1	Energy industries - CO2 gaseous fuels	L
1.A.1	Energy industries - CO2 liquid fuels	L
1.A.1	Energy industries - CO2 solid fuels	L
1.A.2	Manufacturing industries and construction - CO2 gaseous fuels	L
1.A.2	Manufacturing industries and construction - CO2 liquid fuels	L
1.A.2	Manufacturing industries and construction - CO2 solid fuels	L
1.A.2	Manufacturing industries and construction - N2O liquid fuels	L2
1.A.3.b	Transport - CH4 Road transportation	L2
1.A.3.b	Transport - CO2 Road transportation	L
1.A.3.b	Transport - N2O Road transportation	L2
1.A.3.d	Transport - CO2 Waterborne navigation	L1
1.A.4	Other sectors - CH4 commercial, residential, agriculture biomass	L2
1.A.4	Other sectors - CO2 commercial, residential, agriculture gaseous fuels	L
1.A.4	Other sectors - CO2 commercial, residential, agriculture liquid fuels	L
1.A.4	Other sectors - N2O commercial, residential, agriculture liquid fuels	L2
1.B.2.a	Fugitive - CO2 Oil and natural gas - Oil	L1
1.B.2.b	Fugitive - CH4 Oil and natural gas - Natural gas	L
1.B.2.c	Fugitive - CO2 Oil and natural gas - venting and flaring	L2
1.B.2.d	Fugitive - CO2 Oil and natural gas - Other - flaring in refineries	L2
2.A.1	Mineral industry- CO2 Cement production	L
2.A.2	Mineral industry- CO2 Lime production	L1
2.A.4	Mineral industry- CO2 Other processes uses of carbonates	L1
2.B.1	Chemical industry- CO2 Ammonia production	L1
2.B.2	Chemical industry- N2O Nitric acid production	L1
2.B.3	Chemical industry- N2O Adipic acid production	L
2.B.9	Chemical industry- PFCs Fluorochemical production	L2
2.C.1	Metal industry- CO2 Iron and steel production	L1
2.C.3	Metal industry- PFCs Aluminium production	L
2.D	Non-Energy products from Fuels and Solvent Use - CO2	L2
3.A.1	Enteric Fermentation- CH4	L
3.A.2	Manure Management - CH4	L
3.A.2	Manure Management - N2O	L
3.C.4	Direct N2O Emissions from Managed soils	L
3.C.5	Indirect N2O Emissions from Managed soils	L
5.A	Solid waste disposal - CH4	L
5.D	Wastewater treatment and discharge - CH4	L
5.D	Wastewater treatment and discharge - N2O	L2

L1 = level key category by Approach 1  
T1 = trend key category by Approach 1  
L2 = level key category by Approach 2  
T2 = trend key category by Approach 2  
L = level key category by Approach 1 and Approach 2  
T = trend key category by Approach 1 and Approach 2

**Table 1.4 Key categories (including LULUCF) by the IPCC Approach 1 and Approach 2. Base year**

<i>Key categories (excluding the LULUCF sector)</i>		
1.A.1	Energy industries - CO2 gaseous fuels	L
1.A.1	Energy industries - CO2 liquid fuels	L
1.A.1	Energy industries - CO2 solid fuels	L
1.A.2	Manufacturing industries and construction - CO2 gaseous fuels	L
1.A.2	Manufacturing industries and construction - CO2 liquid fuels	L
1.A.2	Manufacturing industries and construction - CO2 solid fuels	L
1.A.2	Manufacturing industries and construction - N2O liquid fuels	L2
1.A.3.b	Transport - CH4 Road transportation	L2
1.A.3.b	Transport - CO2 Road transportation	L
1.A.3.d	Transport - CO2 Waterborne navigation	L1
1.A.4	Other sectors - CH4 commercial, residential, agriculture biomass	L2
1.A.4	Other sectors - CO2 commercial, residential, agriculture gaseous fuels	L
1.A.4	Other sectors - CO2 commercial, residential, agriculture liquid fuels	L
1.A.4	Other sectors - N2O commercial, residential, agriculture liquid fuels	L2
1.B.2.a	Fugitive - CO2 Oil and natural gas - Oil	L1
1.B.2.b	Fugitive - CH4 Oil and natural gas - Natural gas	L
1.B.2.c	Fugitive - CO2 Oil and natural gas - venting and flaring	L2
2.A.1	Mineral industry- CO2 Cement production	L
2.A.2	Mineral industry- CO2 Lime production	L1
2.A.4	Mineral industry- CO2 Other processes uses of carbonates	L1
2.B.1	Chemical industry- CO2 Ammonia production	L1
2.B.2	Chemical industry- N2O Nitric acid production	L1
2.B.3	Chemical industry- N2O Adipic acid production	L
2.B.9	Chemical industry- PFCs Fluorochemical production	L2
2.C.1	Metal industry- CO2 Iron and steel production	L1
2.C.3	Metal industry- PFCs Aluminium production	L
2.D	Non-Energy products from Fuels and Solvent Use - CO2	L
3.A.1	Enteric Fermentation- CH4	L
3.A.2	Manure Management - CH4	L
3.A.2	Manure Management - N2O	L
3.C.4	Direct N2O Emissions from Managed soils	L
3.C.5	Indirect N2O Emissions from Managed soils	L
3.C.7	Rice cultivations - CH4	L1
4.A.1	Forest Land remaining Forest Land - CO2	L
4.A.2	Land Converted to Forest Land - CO2	L
4.B.2	Land Converted to Cropland - CO2	L2
4.C.1	Grassland Remaining Grassland - CO2	L
4.C.2	Land Converted to Grassland - CO2	L
4.E.2	Land Converted to Settlements - CO2	L
4.E.2	Land Converted to Settlements - N2O	L2
5.A	Solid waste disposal - CH4	L
5.D	Wastewater treatment and discharge - CH4	L
5.D	Wastewater treatment and discharge - N2O	L2

L1 = level key category by Approach 1  
T1 = trend key category by Approach 1  
L2 = level key category by Approach 2  
T2 = trend key category by Approach 2  
L = level key category by Approach 1 and Approach 2  
T = trend key category by Approach 1 and Approach 2

Applying the analysis to the 2019 inventory, without the LULUCF sector, 47 key categories were totally individuated, both at level and trend. Results are reported in Table 1.5.

**Table 1.5 Key categories (excluding LULUCF) by the IPCC Approach 1 and Approach 2. Year 2019**

<i>Key categories (excluding the LULUCF sector)</i>		
1.A.1	Energy industries - CO2 gaseous fuels	L, T
1.A.1	Energy industries - CO2 liquid fuels	L, T
1.A.1	Energy industries - CO2 solid fuels	L, T
1.A.2	Manufacturing industries and construction - CO2 gaseous fuels	L, T
1.A.2	Manufacturing industries and construction - CO2 liquid fuels	L, T
1.A.2	Manufacturing industries and construction - CO2 solid fuels	L1, T
1.A.2	Manufacturing industries and construction - N2O liquid fuels	T2
1.A.3.a	Transport - CO2 Civil Aviation	L1, T1
1.A.3.b	Transport - CH4 Road transportation	T2
1.A.3.b	Transport - CO2 Road transportation	L, T
1.A.3.d	Transport - CO2 Waterborne navigation	L1
1.A.4	Other sectors - CH4 commercial, residential, agriculture biomass	L, T
1.A.4	Other sectors - CO2 commercial, residential, agriculture gaseous fuels	L, T
1.A.4	Other sectors - CO2 commercial, residential, agriculture liquid fuels	L, T
1.A.4	Other sectors - CO2 commercial, residential, agriculture other fossil fuels	L1, T
1.A.4	Other sectors - CO2 commercial, residential, agriculture solid fuels	T1
1.A.4	Other sectors - N2O commercial, residential, agriculture biomass	L2, T
1.A.4	Other sectors - N2O commercial, residential, agriculture liquid fuels	L2
1.B.2.a	Fugitive - CO2 Oil and natural gas - Oil	L1
1.B.2.b	Fugitive - CH4 Oil and natural gas - Natural gas	L, T
1.B.2.c	Fugitive - CO2 Oil and natural gas - venting and flaring	T2
1.B.2.d	Fugitive - CH4 Oil and natural gas - Other - flaring in refineries	L2, T2
1.B.2.d	Fugitive - CO2 Oil and natural gas - Other - flaring in refineries	T2
2.A.1	Mineral industry- CO2 Cement production	L, T
2.A.2	Mineral industry- CO2 Lime production	L1
2.A.4	Mineral industry- CO2 Other processes uses of carbonates	T1
2.B.1	Chemical industry- CO2 Ammonia production	T1
2.B.2	Chemical industry- N2O Nitric acid production	T
2.B.3	Chemical industry- N2O Adipic acid production	T
2.B.9	Chemical industry- HFCs Fluorochemical production	T2
2.B.9	Chemical industry- PFCs Fluorochemical production	L2
2.C.1	Metal industry- CO2 Iron and steel production	T1
2.C.3	Metal industry- PFCs Aluminium production	T
2.D	Non-Energy products from Fuels and Solvent Use - CO2 Product uses as substitutes for ozone depleting substances - HFCs	L2, T2
2.F.1	Refrigeration and Air conditioning Product uses as substitutes for ozone depleting substances - HFCs Foam	L, T
2.F.2	blowing agents Product uses as substitutes for ozone depleting substances - HFCs Fire	T2
2.F.3	protection	L, T
3.A.1	Enteric Fermentation- CH4	L, T
3.A.2	Manure Management - CH4	L
3.A.2	Manure Management - N2O	L
3.C.4	Direct N2O Emissions from Managed soils	L
3.C.5	Indirect N2O Emissions from Managed soils	L
3.C.7	Rice cultivations - CH4	L1
5.A	Solid waste disposal - CH4	L, T
5.B	Biological treatment of Solid waste - N2O	L2, T2
5.D	Wastewater treatment and discharge - CH4	L
5.D	Wastewater treatment and discharge - N2O	L2, T2

L1 = level key category, Approach 1  
T1 = trend key category, Approach 1  
L2 = level key category, Approach 2  
T2 = trend key category, Approach 2  
L = level key category, Approach 1 and Approach 2  
T = trend key category, Approach 1 and Approach 2

If considering emissions and removals from the LULUCF sector, 48 key categories were individuated as reported in Table 1.6.

**Table 1.6 Key categories (including LULUCF) by the IPCC Approach 1 and Approach 2. Year 2019**

<i>Key categories (including the LULUCF sector)</i>		
1.A.1	Energy industries - CO2 gaseous fuels	L, T
1.A.1	Energy industries - CO2 liquid fuels	L, T
1.A.1	Energy industries - CO2 solid fuels	L, T
1.A.2	Manufacturing industries and construction - CO2 gaseous fuels	L, T
1.A.2	Manufacturing industries and construction - CO2 liquid fuels	L1, T
1.A.2	Manufacturing industries and construction - CO2 solid fuels	L1, T
1.A.3.a	Transport - CO2 Civil Aviation	L1, T1
1.A.3.b	Transport - CO2 Road transportation	L, T
1.A.3.d	Transport - CO2 Waterborne navigation	L1
1.A.4	Other sectors - CH4 commercial, residential, agriculture biomass	L, T
1.A.4	Other sectors - CO2 commercial, residential, agriculture gaseous fuels	L, T
1.A.4	Other sectors - CO2 commercial, residential, agriculture liquid fuels	L, T
1.A.4	Other sectors - CO2 commercial, residential, agriculture other fossil fuels	L1, T
1.A.4	Other sectors - CO2 commercial, residential, agriculture solid fuels	T1
1.A.4	Other sectors - N2O commercial, residential, agriculture biomass	L2, T
1.B.2.a	Fugitive - CO2 Oil and natural gas - Oil	L1
1.B.2.b	Fugitive - CH4 Oil and natural gas - Natural gas	L, T
1.B.2.d	Fugitive - CH4 Oil and natural gas - Other - flaring in refineries	T2
2.A.1	Mineral industry- CO2 Cement production	L, T
2.A.2	Mineral industry- CO2 Lime production	L1
2.A.4	Mineral industry- CO2 Other processes uses of carbonates	T1
2.B.1	Chemical industry- CO2 Ammonia production	T1
2.B.2	Chemical industry- N2O Nitric acid production	T1
2.B.3	Chemical industry- N2O Adipic acid production	T
2.B.9	Chemical industry- PFCs Fluorochemical production	L2
2.C.1	Metal industry- CO2 Iron and steel production	T1
2.C.3	Metal industry- PFCs Aluminium production	T
2.D	Non-Energy products from Fuels and Solvent Use - CO2	L2
	Product uses as substitutes for ozone depleting substances - HFCs	
2.F.1	Refrigeration and Air conditioning	L, T
	Product uses as substitutes for ozone depleting substances - HFCs Foam	
2.F.2	blowing agents	T
	Product uses as substitutes for ozone depleting substances - HFCs Fire	
2.F.3	protection	L, T
3.A.1	Enteric Fermentation- CH4	L, T
3.A.2	Manure Management - CH4	L
3.A.2	Manure Management - N2O	L
3.C.4	Direct N2O Emissions from Managed soils	L, T2
3.C.5	Indirect N2O Emissions from Managed soils	L
3.C.7	Rice cultivations - CH4	L1
4.A.1	Forest Land remaining Forest Land - CO2	L, T
4.A.2	Land Converted to Forest Land - CO2	L, T
4.B.1	Cropland Remaining Cropland - CO2	T
4.C.1	Grassland Remaining Grassland - CO2	L, T
4.C.2	Land Converted to Grassland - CO2	L, T
4.E.2	Land Converted to Settlements - CO2	L, T2
4.G	Harvest Wood Products - CO2	L, T
5.A	Solid waste disposal - CH4	L, T
5.B	Biological treatment of Solid waste - N2O	L2, T2

L1 = level key category, Approach 1  
T1 = trend key category, Approach 1  
L2 = level key category, Approach 2  
T2 = trend key category, Approach 2  
L = level key category, Approach 1 and Approach 2  
T = trend key category, Approach 1 and Approach 2

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5.D	Wastewater treatment and discharge - CH4	L
5.D	Wastewater treatment and discharge - N2O	L2, T2

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Key category analysis for KP-LULUCF was performed according to section 2.3.6 of the 2014 IPCC KP Supplement (IPCC, 2014). Results are also reported in Table 9.18 of chapter 9.

CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and removals from *Afforestation/Reforestation* and *Deforestation* activities (art. 3.3) and from *Forest management* (art. 3.4) have been assessed as key categories. CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and removals from *Cropland* and *Grazing land management* are identified as key categories.

The analysis of key categories is used to prioritize improvements that should be taken into account for the next inventory submissions. First of all, it is important that emissions of key categories, being the most significant in terms of absolute weight and/or combined uncertainty, are estimated with a high level of accuracy. For the Italian inventory, higher tiers are mostly used for calculating emissions from these categories as requested by the IPCC Guidelines and the use of country specific emission factors is extensive. As reported in Table A9.1, in the Annex, there are only a few key categories which estimates do not meet these quality objectives, in terms of the methodology and the application of default emission factors.

Among these categories, prioritization is made on account of the actual absolute weight, the expected future relevance, the level of uncertainty and a cost-effectiveness analysis. Therefore, improvements are planned for the LULUCF sector as well as for maritime navigation category, which emissions are estimated with a Tier1 and with Tier 2 for few years, and has been selected as a priority after verification of the availability of annual detailed activity data, the evaluation of the resources and cost of the database to be implemented.

In addition to this evaluation, also categories estimated with higher tiers but affected by a high level of uncertainty are considered in the prioritization plan. For instance, activities were planned and are on going for HFC, PFC substitutes for ODS in order to improve the accuracy of the Italian inventory and reduce the overall uncertainty.

## 1.6 Information on the QA/QC plan including verification and treatment of confidentiality issues where relevant

ISPRA has elaborated an inventory QA/QC plan which describes specific QC procedures to be implemented during the inventory development process, facilitates the overall QA procedures to be conducted, to the extent possible, on the entire inventory and establishes quality objectives.

Particularly, an inventory QA/QC procedures manual (ISPRA, 2013) has been drawn up which describes QA/QC procedures and verification activities to be followed during the inventory compilation and helps in the inventory improvement. Furthermore, specific QA/QC procedures and different verification activities implemented thoroughly the current inventory compilation, as part of the estimation process, are figured out in the annual QA/QC plan (ISPRA, 2021 [b]). These documents are publicly available at ISPRA website <http://www.sinanet.isprambiente.it/it/sia-ispra/serie-storiche-emissioni>.

Quality control checks and quality assurance procedures together with some verification activities are applied both to the national inventory as a whole and at sectoral level. Future planned improvements are prepared for each sector by the relevant inventory compiler; each expert identifies areas for sectoral improvement based on his own knowledge and in response to the UNFCCC inventory reviews and taking into account the result of the key category assessment.

The quality of the inventory has improved over the years and further investigations are planned for all those sectors relevant in terms of contribution to total CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent emissions and with a high uncertainty.

In addition to *routine* general checks, source specific quality control procedures are applied on a case by case basis focusing on key categories and on categories where significant methodological and data revision have taken place or on new sources.

Checklists are compiled annually by the inventory experts and collected by the QA/QC coordinator. These lists are also registered in the 'reference' database.

General QC procedures also include data and documentation gathering. Specifically, the inventory analyst for a source category maintains a complete and separate project archive for that source category; the archive includes all the materials needed to develop the inventory for that year and is kept in a transparent manner.

All the information used for the inventory compilation is traceable back to its source. The inventory is composed by spreadsheets to calculate emission estimates; activity data and emission factors as well as methodologies are referenced to their data sources. Particular attention is paid to the archiving and storing of all inventory data, supporting information, inventory records as well as all the reference documents. To this

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end, a major improvement which increases the transparency of the inventory has been the development of a 'reference' database. After each reporting cycle, all database files, spreadsheets and official submissions are archived as 'read-only' mode in a master computer.

Quality assurance procedures regard some verification activities of the inventory as a whole and at sectoral level. Feedbacks for the Italian inventory derive from communication of data to different institutions and/or at local level. For instance, the communication of the inventory to the European Community results in a pre-check of the GHG values before the submission to the UNFCCC and relevant inconsistencies may be highlighted.

Every year, emission figures are also subjected to a process of re-examination once the inventory, the inventory related publications and the national inventory reports are posted on website, specifically [www.isprambiente.gov.it](http://www.isprambiente.gov.it), and from the communication of data to different institutions and/or at local level.

In some cases, sectoral major recalculations are presented and shared with the relevant stakeholders prior to the official submission.

For the energy and industrial sectors, different meetings have been held in the last years jointly with the industrial associations, the Ministries of the Environment and Economic Development and ISPRA in the framework of the European Emissions Trading Scheme, for assessing carbon leakage in EU energy intensive industries and the definition of GHG emission benchmarks; also in this context, estimations of the emission inventory for different sectors have been presented.

ISPRA has also held different meetings with the industrial associations in the context of different European legislation. ISPRA collects data from the industrial associations and industrial facilities under the ETS and other European legislation such as Large Combustion Plant Directive and E-PRTR Regulation. The inventory team manages all these data and makes use of them in the preparation of the national inventory ensuring the consistency of time series among data by the comparison of the information collected under the directives with other sources available before the first available years of data collected (2000 and 2002, reporting years for data collected under ETS and INES/PRTR facilities, respectively). Emissions and activity data submitted under the ETS are mandatorily subject to verification procedures, as requested and specified by the European Directive 2003/87/EC (art. 15 and Annex V). Also, the quality of the Italian PRTR data is guaranteed by art.9 of the Regulation 2006/166/EC and by art.3(3) of the Presidential Decree n.157/2011.

In addition, ISPRA manages all this information in an informative system to help in highlighting the main discrepancies among data, and improving the time series consistency. The informative system is based on identification codes to trace back individual point sources in different databases.

Other specific activities relating to improvements of the inventory and QA/QC practises in the last year regarded the progress on the building of a unique database where information collected in the framework of different European legislation, Large Combustion Plant, INES/PRTR and Emissions Trading, are gathered together thus highlighting the main discrepancies in information and detecting potential errors. The actual figures are considered in an overall approach and used in the compilation of the inventory. In this regard main progress is the update of the administrative information to identify the facilities under the separate databases. A spreadsheet including the list of facilities from Large Combustion Plant, PRTR, ETS is updated every year: a comprehensive list of the facilities reporting to the three systems with the identification codes in use in the source datasets is used to check for un-matching facilities so as to detect possible mistakes in the administrative information or facilities which did not report to one or more registers. Moreover, the so called "EU Business Registry" has been launched under the Industrial Emission Directive at European Union level; this new registry will include the administrative data for all the facilities in the scope of the Industrial Emission Directive as far as permitting procedures, site visit and site inspections, thematic data reporting are concerned. The first step should have had administrative data reported to European Union in order to be included in the new European registry by the end of 2019 but delays are due to the upcoming emergencies; in the following years thematic data (emissions, releases, waste quantities, activity data; number of site visits, infringements etc.) will be also reported in compliance with the reporting decisions that will be adopted by the EU Commission.

ISPRA is also responsible for the provincial inventory at local scale; at now the provincial inventories at local scale for the years 1990, 1995, up to 2015 are available. In fact, every 5 years, (and now every 4 years), in the framework of the Protocol on Long-term Financing of the Cooperative Programme for Monitoring and Evaluation of the Long-range Transmission of Air Pollutants in Europe (EMEP) under the Convention on Long-range Transboundary Air Pollution (CLTRAP), Parties have to report their national air emissions disaggregated on a 0.1°\*0.1° grid. Specifically, ISPRA has applied a top-down approach to estimate emissions at provincial areas based on proxy variables. The results were checked out by regional and local environmental agencies and authorities; data are available at ISPRA web address <http://www.sinanet.isprambiente.it/it/sia-ispra/inventaria> and a report which describes detailed methodologies to carry out estimates is published

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(Liburdi et al., 2004; ISPRA, 2009). Comparisons between top-down and local inventories have been carried out during the last year and will continue in the next years; results are shared among the ‘local inventories’ expert group leading to an improvement in methodologies for both the inventories. ISPRA has also collaborated with local authorities to assess the participation of the Italian municipalities to the Covenant of Mayors (<http://www.isprambiente.gov.it/it/pubblicazioni/rapporti/stato-di-attuazione-del-patto-dei-sindaci-in-italia>).

A specific procedure undertaken for improving the inventory regards the establishment of national expert panels (in particular, in road transport, land use change and forestry and energy sectors) which involve, on a voluntary basis, different institutions, local agencies and industrial associations cooperating for improving activity data and emission factors accuracy. Specifically, for the LULUCF sector, following the election of the 3.3 and 3.4 activities and on account of an in-depth analysis on the information needed to report LULUCF under the Kyoto Protocol, a Scientific Committee, *Comitato di Consultazione Scientifica del Registro dei Serbatoi di Carbonio Forestali*, constituted by the relevant national experts has been established by the Ministry for the Environment, Land and Sea in cooperation with the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Forest Policies.

In addition to these expert panels, ISPRA participates in technical working groups within the National Statistical System. These groups, named *Circoli di qualità*, coordinated by the National Institute of Statistics, are constituted by both producers and users of statistical information with the aim of improving and monitoring statistical information in specific sectors such as transport, industry, agriculture, forest and fishing. As reported in previous sections, these activities improve the quality and details of basic data, as well as enable a more organized and timely communication.

The quality of the inventory has also improved by the organization and participation in sector specific workshops. Follow-up processes are also set up in the framework of the WGI and WG5 under the EC Monitoring Mechanism, which addresses to the improvement of different inventory sectors. In the last years, different workshops were held: on the management of uncertainty and how to proper use data from the European emissions trading scheme in the national greenhouse gas inventories; methodologies to estimate emissions from the agriculture and LULUCF sectors were also addressed, involving the Joint Research Centre, and from the waste sector, involving the European Topic Center on Resource and Waste Management, as well as from international bunkers, involving the International Energy Agency and EUROCONTROL. Presentations and documentation of the workshops are available on the website at the address: <http://air-climate.eionet.europa.eu/meetings/past.html>.

Especially in the last years, there has been an intensification of activities related to emission scenarios, and the importance of the emission inventory as a solid starting point is primary. The inventory is shared with the Ministry for the Environment, Land and Sea, and all the relevant Ministries and local authorities.

In this context, from 2011, a report concerning the state of implementation of commitments to reduce greenhouse gases emissions, and describing emission trend and projections, is prepared by the Ministry of the Environment in consultation with other relevant Ministries. The report is annexed to the economy and financial document (DEF) to be annually approved by the Government.

Expert peer reviews of the national inventory occur annually within the UNFCCC process, whose results and suggestions can provide valuable feedback on areas where the inventory should be improved. The last in country review occurred in 2019. The final report is available at the relevant UNFCCC web site address [FCCC/ARR/2019/ITA](http://FCCC/ARR/2019/ITA) ([unfccc.int](http://unfccc.int)) and details on the review processes and implementation of the comments and potential recommendations are described in Annex 12 and in relevant sections.

At European level, reviews of the European inventory are undertaken by experts from different Member States for critical sectoral categories in the context of the European GHG Monitoring Mechanism. Moreover, in the context of the European Effort Sharing Decision (EC, 2009) defining the 2020 emission limit of a Member State in relation to its 2005 emissions, a technical review was carried out in 2012 to review and verify emission data of each Member State, for the reference years 2005, 2008 and 2009, prior to determining their annual emission allocations. In 2016 another comprehensive review of Member States’ inventories was carried out for the compliance years 2013 and 2014, and for the years 2005, 2008, 2009 and 2010. Also, in 2020, a detailed review of the Italian inventory was conducted. Following the main relevant recommendations, revisions of the estimates were implemented.

A bilateral independent review between Italy and Spain was undertaken in 2012, with a focus on the revision of the GHG inventories of both the Parties. Two in-country visits were held in 2012; the Italian team revised part of the energy sector of Spain, specifically the categories public power plants, petroleum refining plants, road transport and off-road, whereas the Spanish team revised the Industrial processes and solvent and other product use, and the LULUCF sectors of Italy. Results of these analyses are reported in a technical report. Aim

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of the review was to carry out a general quality assurance analysis of the inventories in terms of the methodologies, the EFs and the references used, as well as analysing critical cross cutting issues such as the details of the national energy balances and comparison with international data (Eurostat and IEA), and use of plant specific information.

In addition, an official independent review of the entire Italian greenhouse gas inventory was undertaken by the Aether consultants in 2013. Main findings and recommendations are reported in a final document, and regard mostly the transparency in the NIR, the improvement of QA/QC documentation and some pending issues in the LULUCF sector. These suggestions have been considered to improve the future submissions.

The preparation of environmental reports where data are needed at different aggregation levels or refer to different contexts, such as environmental and economic accountings, is also a check for emission trends. At national level, for instance, emission time series are reported in the Environmental Data Yearbooks published by ISPRA. Emission data are also published by the Ministry for the Environment, Land and Sea in the Reports on the State of the Environment and the National Communications as well as in the Demonstrable Progress Report. Moreover, figures are communicated to the National Institute of Statistics to be published in the relevant Environmental Statistics Yearbooks as well as used in the framework of the EUROSTAT NAMEA Project.

At European level, ISPRA also reports on indicators meeting the requirements of Article 3 (1)(j) of Decision N° 280/2004/EC. In particular, Member States shall submit figures on specified priority indicators and should submit information on additional priority and supplementary indicators for the period from 1990 to the last submitted year and forecasts for some specified years. National trends of these indicators are reported in the document 'Carbon Dioxide Intensity Indicators' (ISPRA, 2021 [c]).

Comparisons between emission estimates from industrial sectors and those published by the industry itself in their Environmental reports are carried out annually in order to assess the quality and the uncertainty of the estimates.

Additional consistency checks of data are carried out in the context of the European Regulation No 525/2013. EU Member States shall report in textual and tabular format on data inconsistencies.

For example, according to Art. 7(1)(m)(i) of the EU Regulation, data on air pollutants estimated under the UNECE Convention on Long-range Transboundary Air Pollution and those under the UNFCCC Convention should not exceed the difference of more than  $\pm 5\%$  between the total emissions for a specific pollutant otherwise text and a tabular format should be compiled by the Member State. As shown in chapter 2, para 2.4, these differences for Italy are far under the threshold.

Other relevant articles of the EU Regulation for data consistency are Article 10, on emissions reported under the European ETS, Article 11 and Article 12 related to F-gases international energy data.

Specifically, Article 10 regards the consistency of reported GHG emissions under UNFCCC with data from the EU emissions trading system in tabular and textual form by category; the detailed table is included in Annex 13 of the NIR.

As for Article 11, on consistency of F-gas estimates with data reported under Regulation (EC) No 842/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 May 2006 on certain fluorinated greenhouse gases, the verification process is still on progress due to the large amount of data and the difficulty to analyze the amount of F-gases actually used by the national operators. However, activities are already carried out on verification of average emission factors and activity data reported at sectoral level.

Article 12 of the EU Implementing Regulation obliges Member States to report textual information on the comparison between the reference approach calculated on the basis of the data included in the GHG inventory and the reference approach calculated on the basis of the data reported pursuant to Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 1099/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council (1) and Annex B to that Regulation (Eurostat energy data). If these differences are higher than  $\pm 2\%$ , in the total national apparent fossil fuel consumption at aggregate level for all fossil fuel categories, a tabular format shall also be compiled. For Italy these differences are below the determined threshold; also, these data are reported in Annex 13 for the year 2019.

A summary of all the main QA/QC activities over the past years which ensure the continuous improvement of the inventory is presented in the document 'Quality Assurance/Quality Control plan for the Italian Emission Inventory. Year 2021' (ISPRA, 2021 [b]).

A proper archiving and reporting of the documentation related to the inventory compilation process is also part of the national QA/QC programme.

All the material and documents used for the inventory preparation are stored at ISPRA.

Information relating to the planning, preparation, and management of inventory activities are documented and archived. The archive is organised so that any skilled analyst could obtain relevant data sources and spreadsheets, reproduce the inventory and review all decisions about assumptions and methodologies

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undertaken. A master documentation catalogue is generated for each inventory year and it is possible to track changes in data and methodologies over time. Specifically, the documentation includes:

- electronic copies of each of the draft and final inventory report, electronic copies of the draft and final CRF tables;
- electronic copies of all the final, linked source category spreadsheets for the inventory estimates (including all spreadsheets that feed the emission spreadsheets);
- results of the reviews and, in general, all documentation related to the corresponding inventory year submission.

After each reporting cycle, all database files, spreadsheets and electronic documents are archived as 'read-only' mode.

A 'reference' database is also compiled every year to increase the transparency of the inventory. This database consists of a number of records that references all documentation used during the inventory compilation, for each sector and submission year, the link to the electronically available documents and the place where they are stored as well as internal documentation on QA/QC procedures.

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

The 2006 IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006) define two approaches to estimating uncertainties in national greenhouse gas inventories: Approach 1, based on the error propagation equations, and Approach 2, corresponding to the application of Monte Carlo analysis.

For the Italian inventory, quantitative estimates of the uncertainties are calculated using Approach 1 which application is described in Annex 1, with or without emissions and removals from the LULUCF sector. Emission categories are disaggregated into a detailed level and uncertainties are therefore estimated for these categories.

For the 2019 total emission figures without LULUCF, an uncertainty of 2.9% in the combined global warming potential (GWP) total emissions is estimated, whereas for the trend between the base year and 2019 the analysis assesses an uncertainty by 2.3%.

Including the LULUCF sector into national figures, the uncertainty according to Approach 1 is equal to 4.5% for the year 2019, whereas the uncertainty for the trend is estimated to be 3.4%.

The small variation in the uncertainty levels, as compared the previous submission, is mainly due to the recalculation process and consequent different weights of the categories and relevant uncertainties.

The assessment of uncertainty has also been applied to the base year emission levels. The results show an uncertainty of 2.1% in the combined GWP total emissions, excluding emissions and removals from LULUCF, whereas it increases to 2.7% including the LULUCF sector.

Approach 2, Montecarlo analysis, was implemented in previous submissions to estimate uncertainty of some of the key categories of the Italian inventory. The description of the key categories to which the analysis was applied and the reference years are reported in Annex 1, Table A1.15. Most of the results prove that both approaches (Approach 1 and 2) produce comparable results and that uncertainty values derived by Approach 2 are lower than those derived from the application of Approach 1.

The aim of the study was to show that applying methods higher than the error propagation method does not make a significant difference in figures if information on uncertainty levels is not sufficiently detailed. Montecarlo was applied to CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from road transport and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from agricultural soils; in the first case measurements were available for emission factors so a low uncertainty was expected, in the other case, no information on EFs was available and a high uncertainty was supposed. A combination of Montecarlo and Bootstrap simulation was applied to CO<sub>2</sub> emissions, in consideration of the specific data availability assuming a normal distribution for activity data and for the emission factor of natural gas. The overall uncertainty of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions for road transport resulted in 2.1%, lower than that resulting from Approach 1 which estimated a figure of 4.2%; the reason of the difference is in the lower uncertainty resulting from the application of bootstrap analysis to the emission factor of diesel oil, all the other figures are very similar. For N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from agricultural soils, a Montecarlo analysis was applied assuming a normal distribution for activity data and two tests one with a lognormal and the other with a normal for emission factors; the results with the normal distribution calculated an uncertainty figure equal to 32.4%, lower than the uncertainty by Approach 1 which was 102%; in the case of the lognormal distribution there were problems caused by the formula specified in the IPCC guidelines which is affected by the unit and needs further study before a throughout application.

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The study will be progressively extended to other inventory categories but the importance of these results is that in neither of the cases does the uncertainty estimation of the national sectors result in an underestimation. Other studies were conducted on uncertainty. Specifically, on the comparison of different methodologies to evaluate emissions uncertainty (Romano et al., 2004) and a study ‘Evaluating uncertainty in the Italian GHG inventory’, presented at a EU workshop on Uncertainties in Greenhouse Gas Inventories, held in Finland in 2005.

QC procedures are also undertaken on the calculations of uncertainties in order to confirm the correctness of the estimates and that there is sufficient documentation to duplicate the analysis. The assumptions which uncertainty estimations are based on are documented for each category. Figures used to draw up uncertainty analysis are checked both with the relevant analyst experts and literature references and are consistent with the IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2000; IPCC, 2003; IPCC, 2006).

More in details, facility level data are used to check and verify information from the industrial sector; these data also include information from the European Emissions Trading Scheme, the Italian PRTR register which is also collected and elaborated by the inventory team. Most of the times there is a correspondence among activity data from different databases so that the level of uncertainty could be assumed lower than the one fixed at 3%; the same occurs for emission factors coming from measurements at plant level, and even in this case the uncertainty may be assumed lower than the predetermined level. Since the overall uncertainty of the Italian inventory is relatively low due to the prevalence of the energy sector sources, whose estimates derive from accurate parameters, out of the total, it has been decided to use conservative figures; this occurs especially for energy and industrial sectors. Details can be found at category level in the relevant sections.

The results of the uncertainty analysis, generally associated with a key category assessment by Approach 2, are used to prioritize improvements for the next inventory submissions.

Emissions of key categories are usually estimated with a high level of accuracy in terms of the methodology used and characterised by a low uncertainty; some exceptions may occur and categories estimated with higher tiers may be affected by a high level of uncertainty. For instance, in the agriculture sector, direct N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from agricultural soils and indirect N<sub>2</sub>O from nitrogen used in agriculture are affected by a high level of uncertainty especially in the emission factors notwithstanding the advanced tiers used.

For the categories with a high uncertainty, further improvements are planned whenever sectoral studies can be carried out.

## **1.8 General assessment of the completeness**

The inventory covers all major sources and sinks, as well as direct and indirect gases, included in the IPCC guidelines.

Details are reported in Table 1.7 and Table 1.8. Sectoral and background tables of CRF sheets are complete as far as details of basic information are available. For instance, multilateral operations emissions are not estimated because no activity data are available.

Allocation of emissions is not consistent with the IPCC Guidelines only where there is no data available to split the information. For instance, for fugitive emissions, N<sub>2</sub>O fugitive emissions from oil refining and storage activities are reported under category 1.B.2.d other, flaring in refineries. Further investigation will be carried out closely with industry about these figures.

**Table 1.7 Source and sinks not estimated in the 2019 inventory**

Sources and sinks not estimated (NE) <sup>(1)</sup>			
GHG	Sector <sup>(2)</sup>	Source/sink category <sup>(2)</sup>	Explanation
CH <sub>4</sub>	Energy	1.A.1c Manufacture of solid fuel (biomass)	CH <sub>4</sub> emissions from charcoal production are not accounted because of a lack of methodology in the 2006 IPCC Guidelines applicable to the type of furnace technology in use
N <sub>2</sub> O	Energy	1.B Fugitive Emissions from Fuels/ 1.B.2 Oil and Natural Gas and Other Emissions from Energy Production/ 1.B.2.d Other (please specify)/Geotherm	N <sub>2</sub> O emissions are negligible
CO <sub>2</sub> , CH <sub>4</sub> , N <sub>2</sub> O	Energy	1.D.2 Multilateral Operations	Information and statistical data are not available
CH <sub>4</sub>	Agriculture	3.D Agricultural Soils	CH <sub>4</sub> emissions from managed soils have not been estimated because no methodology is available in the IPCC Guidelines.
CO <sub>2</sub> , CH <sub>4</sub> , N <sub>2</sub> O	LULUCF	4.E Settlements/4(V) Biomass Burning 4.E Settlements	Emissions are considered insignificant, below 0.05% of the national total GHG emissions, and minor than 500 kt CO <sub>2</sub> eq.
CH <sub>4</sub> , N <sub>2</sub> O	Waste	5.C Incineration and Open Burning of Waste/ 5.C.2 Open Burning of Waste 5.C.2.1 Biogenic/ 5.C.2.1.a Municipal Solid Waste 5.C.2.2 Non-biogenic/ 5.C.2.2.a Municipal Solid Waste	Emission factors are under investigation

**Table 1.8 Source and sinks reported elsewhere in the 2019 inventory**

Sources and sinks reported elsewhere ("IE") <sup>(3)</sup>				
GHG	Source/sink category	Allocation as per IPCC Guidelines	Allocation used by the Party	Explanation
CO <sub>2</sub>	1.AD Feedstocks, reductants and other non-energy use of fuels/Liquid Fuels/Gasoline	1.AD Liquid fuel/Gasoline/LPG/ Other Oil/Refinery feedstock/Residual oil	1.AD Liquid fuel/Naphta	National energy balances include only the input and output quantities from the petrochemical plants; so in the petrochemical transformation process the output quantity could be greater than the input quantity, in particular for light products as LPG, gasoline and refinery gas, due to chemical reactions. Therefore, it is possible to have negative values for some products (mainly gasoline, refinery gas, fuel oil). For this matter, for the reporting on CRF tables, these fuels have been added to naphtha.
N <sub>2</sub> O	1.B Fugitive Emissions from Fuels/ 1.B.2 Oil and Natural Gas and Other Emissions from Energy Production/ 1.B.2.a Oil/ 1.B.2.a.4 Refining / Storage	1.B.2.a.4 Refining/storage	1.B.2.d flaring in refineries	Information to split is not available
CO <sub>2</sub>	2.C Metal Industry/ 2.C.5 Lead Production	2.C.5. Lead Production	2.C.6 Zinc production	CO <sub>2</sub> emissions from the sole zinc and lead integrated plant in Italy have been estimated. The available data do not allow to distinguish between zinc and lead emissions.
HFC-125, HFC-134a, HFC-143a	2.F Product Uses as Substitutes for ODS/2.F.1 Refrigeration and air conditioning/ Transport Refrigeration	2.F.1 Refrigeration and air conditioning/ Transport Refrigeration	2.F.1 Refrigeration and air conditioning/ Commercial Refrigeration	Emissions from Transport Refrigeration are included in Commercial Refrigeration

HFC-134a HFC-245fa	2.F Product Uses as Substitutes for ODS/2.F.2 Foam Blowing Agents/2.F.2.a Closed Cells/HFC-134a and HFC-245fa	2.F.2.a Foam Blowing/closed cell/ HFC-245fa from disposal	2.F.2.a Foam Blowing/closed cell/ HFC-245fa from stocks	Emissions are included in emissions from stocks
HFC-227ea	2.F Product Uses as Substitutes for ODS/2.F.3 Fire Protection/HFC-227ea	2.F.3 Fire Protection/HFC-227ea from disposal	2.F.3 Fire Protection/HFC-227ea from stocks	Emissions are included in emissions from stocks
CO <sub>2</sub>	4.A Forest Land/4.A.1 Forest Land Remaining Forest Land/4(V) Biomass Burning/Wildfires	4.A.1 4(V) Biomass Burning/Wildfires	4.A.1, Carbon stock change in living biomass	CO <sub>2</sub> emissions due to wildfires in forest land remaining forest land are included in table 4.A.1, Carbon stock change in living biomass, Losses
CO <sub>2</sub>	4.A Forest Land/4.A.2 Land Converted to Forest Land/4(V) Biomass Burning/Wildfires	4.A.2 4(V) Biomass Burning/Wildfires	4.A.2, Carbon stock change in living biomass	CO <sub>2</sub> emissions due to wildfires in forest land remaining forest land are included in table 4.A.2, Carbon stock change in living biomass, Losses
N <sub>2</sub> O	4.A Forest Land/4.A.1 Forest Land Remaining Forest Land/4(I) Direct N <sub>2</sub> O Emissions from N Inputs to Managed Soils/Inorganic N Fertilizers	4(I) Direct N <sub>2</sub> O Emissions from N Inputs to Managed Soils/Inorganic N Fertilizers	3.D.1 Direct N <sub>2</sub> O emissions from managed soils	N inputs to managed soils are reported in the agriculture sector
CO <sub>2</sub>	4.G Harvested Wood Products/Approach B/Approach B2/Total HWP from Domestic Harvest/HWP Produced and Exported/Solid Wood/Sawnwood and Wood panels	Solid Wood/Sawnwood and Wood panels in HWP Produced and exported	Solid Wood/Sawnwood and wood panels in HWP produced and consumed domestically	HWP produced and exported are included in the HWP produced and consumed domestically

## 2 TRENDS IN GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS

### 2.1 Description and interpretation of emission trends for aggregate greenhouse gas emissions

Summary data of the Italian greenhouse gas emissions for the years 1990-2019 are reported in Tables A8.1.1-A8.1.5 of Annex 8.

The emission figures presented are those sent to the UNFCCC Secretariat and to the European Commission in the framework of the Greenhouse Gas Monitoring Mechanism.

Total greenhouse gas emissions, in CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent, excluding emissions and removals from LULUCF, have decreased by 19.4% between 1990 and 2019, varying from 519 to 418 CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent million tons (Mt).

The most important greenhouse gas, CO<sub>2</sub>, which accounts for 81.2% of total emissions in CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent, shows a decrease by 22.7% between 1990 and 2019. In the energy sector, in particular, CO<sub>2</sub> emissions in 2019 are 20.7% lower than in 1990.

CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions are equal to 10.3% and 4.1% of the total CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent greenhouse gas emissions, respectively. CH<sub>4</sub> emissions decreased by 12.9% from 1990 to 2019, while N<sub>2</sub>O has decreased by 33.9%.

As for other greenhouse gases, HFCs account for 4.0% of total emissions, PFCs and SF<sub>6</sub> are equal to 0.2% and 0.1% of total emissions, respectively; the weight of NF<sub>3</sub> is about 0.01%. Among these gases, HFCs show a strong increase in emissions, and the meaningful increasing trend will make them even more important in next years.

Figure 2.1 illustrates the national trend of greenhouse gases for 1990-2019, expressed in CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent terms and by substance; total emissions do not include emissions and removals from land use, land use change and forestry.

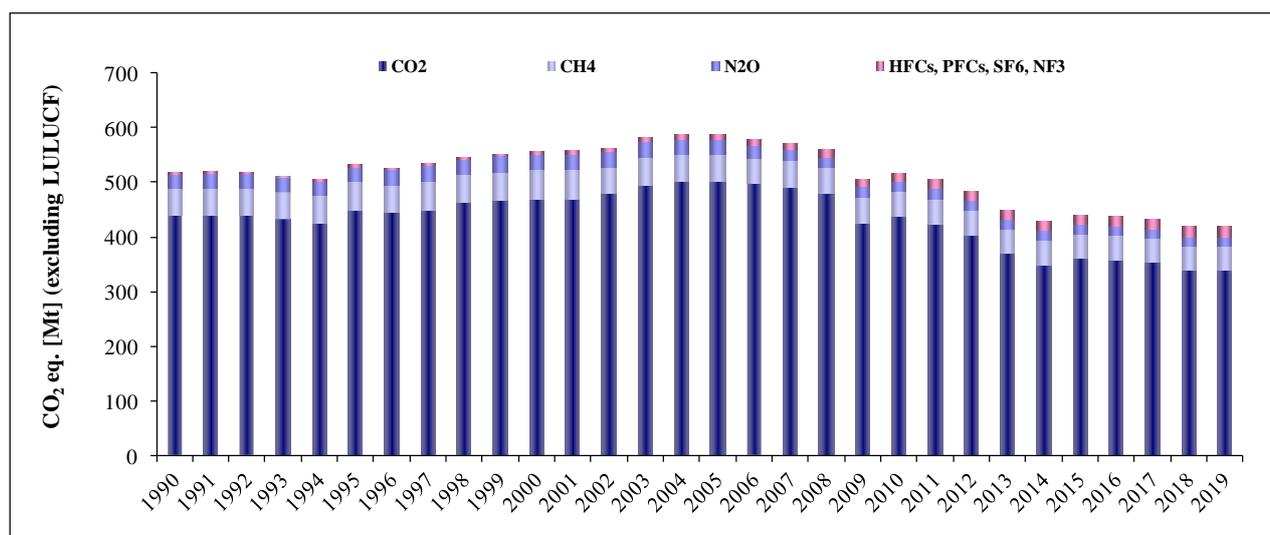


Figure 2.1 National greenhouse gas emissions from 1990 to 2019 (without LULUCF) (Mt CO<sub>2</sub> eq.)

The share of the different sectors, in terms of total emissions, remains nearly unvaried over the period 1990-2019. Specifically, for the year 2019, the greatest part of the total greenhouse gas emissions is to be attributed to the energy sector, with a percentage of 80.5%, followed by industrial processes and product use and agriculture, accounting for 8.1% and 7.1%, respectively, and waste contributing with 4.3% to total emissions. Total greenhouse gas emissions and removals, including LULUCF sector, are shown in Figure 2.2 subdivided by sector.

Considering total GHG emissions with emissions and removals from LULUCF, the LULUCF as absolute value, the energy sector accounts, in 2019, for 73.2% of total emissions and removals, as absolute weight, followed by, industrial processes and product use and agriculture (7.4% and 6.4%, respectively), LULUCF which contributes with 9.0%, and waste (4.0%).

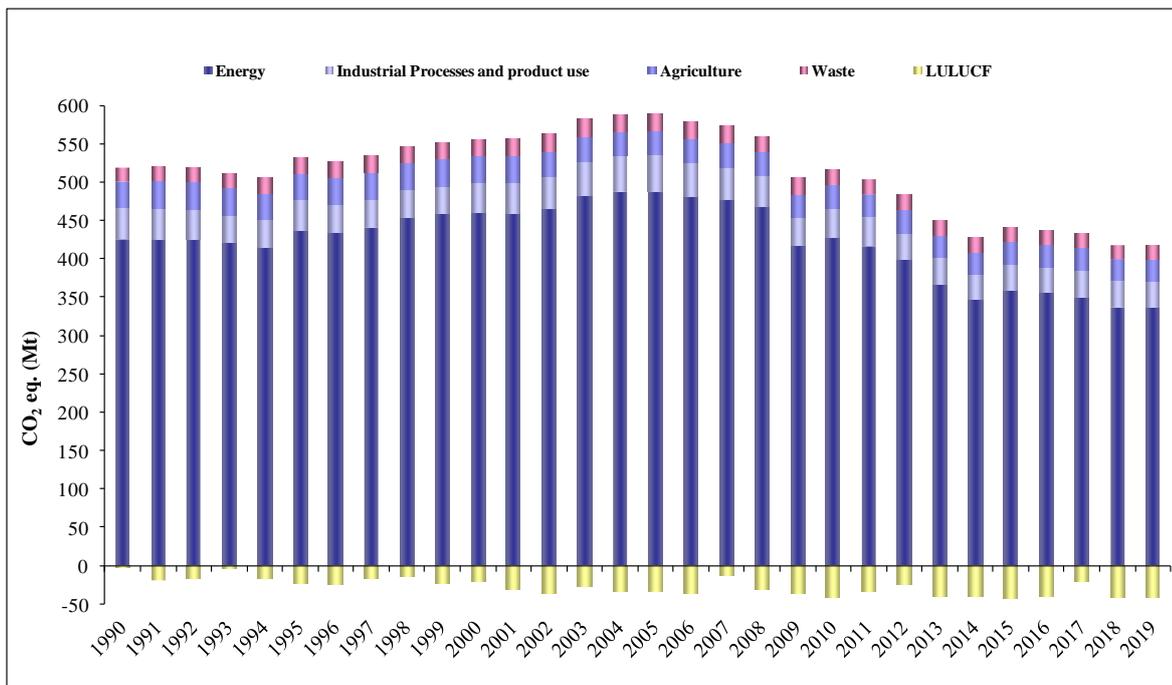


Figure 2.2 Greenhouse gas emissions and removals from 1990 to 2019 by sector (Mt CO<sub>2</sub> eq.)

## 2.2 Description and interpretation of emission trends by gas

### 2.2.1 Carbon dioxide emissions

CO<sub>2</sub> emissions, excluding CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and removals from LULUCF, decreased by 22.7% from 1990 to 2019, ranging from 440 to 340 million tons.

The most relevant emissions derive from the energy industries (26.9%) and transportation (30.7%). Non-industrial combustion accounts for 22.6% and manufacturing and construction industries for 14.4%, while the remaining emissions derive from industrial processes (4.4%) and the other sectors (less than 0.2%).

The trend of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions by sector is shown in Figure 2.3.

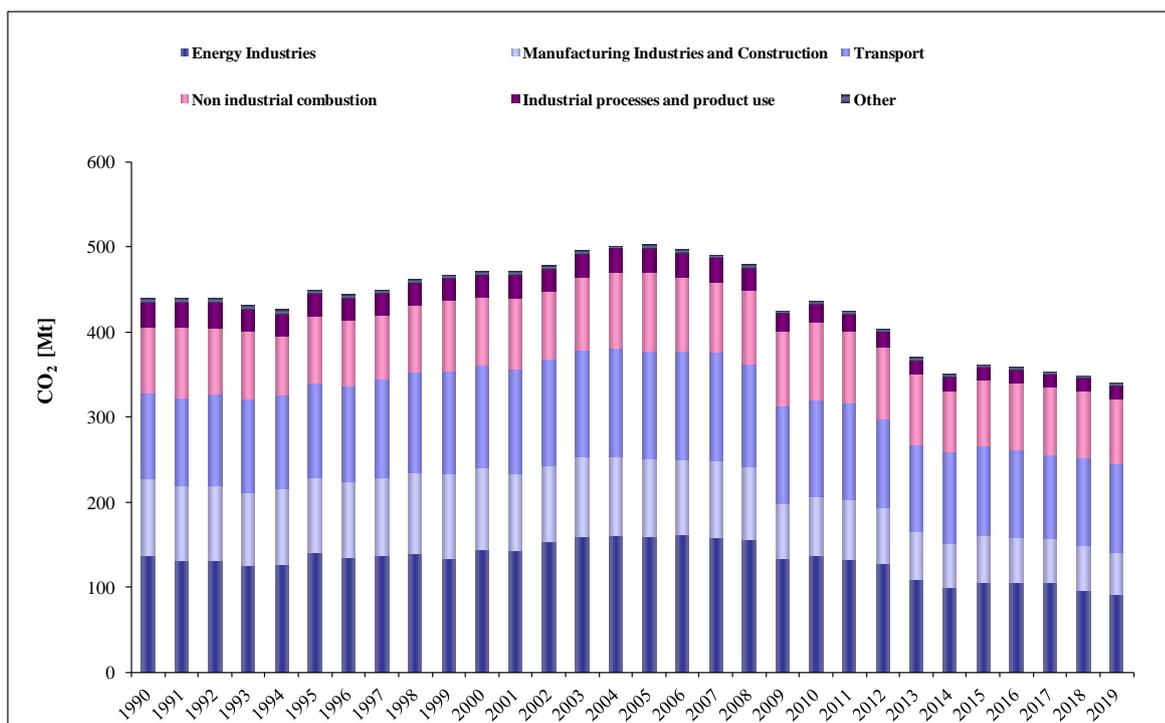


Figure 2.3 National CO<sub>2</sub> emissions by sector from 1990 to 2019 (Mt)

The main driver for the reduction of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions is the reduction in emissions observed in energy industries and manufacturing industries and construction; in the period 1990-2019, emissions from energy industries decreased by 33.3% while those from manufacturing industries and construction show a decrease of 46.2%. The transport sector shows an increase of emissions until 2007 and then a decrease both for the economical recession and the penetration of vehicles with low fuel consumption. Non industrial combustion emission trend is driven by the annual climatic variation while emissions from industrial processes decreased by 49.1% mainly for the decrease of cement production.

Figure 2.4 illustrates the performance of the following economic and energy indicators:

- Gross Domestic Product (GDP) at market prices as of 2010 (base year 1990=100);
- Total Energy Consumption;
- CO<sub>2</sub> emissions, excluding emissions and removals from land-use change and forests;
- CO<sub>2</sub> intensity, which represents CO<sub>2</sub> emissions per unit of total energy consumption.

CO<sub>2</sub> emissions in the 1990s essentially mirrored energy consumption. A decoupling between the curves is observed only in recent years, mainly as a result of the substitution of fuels with high carbon contents by methane gas in the production of electric energy and in industry; in the last years, the increase in the use of renewable sources has led to a notable reduction of CO<sub>2</sub> intensity.

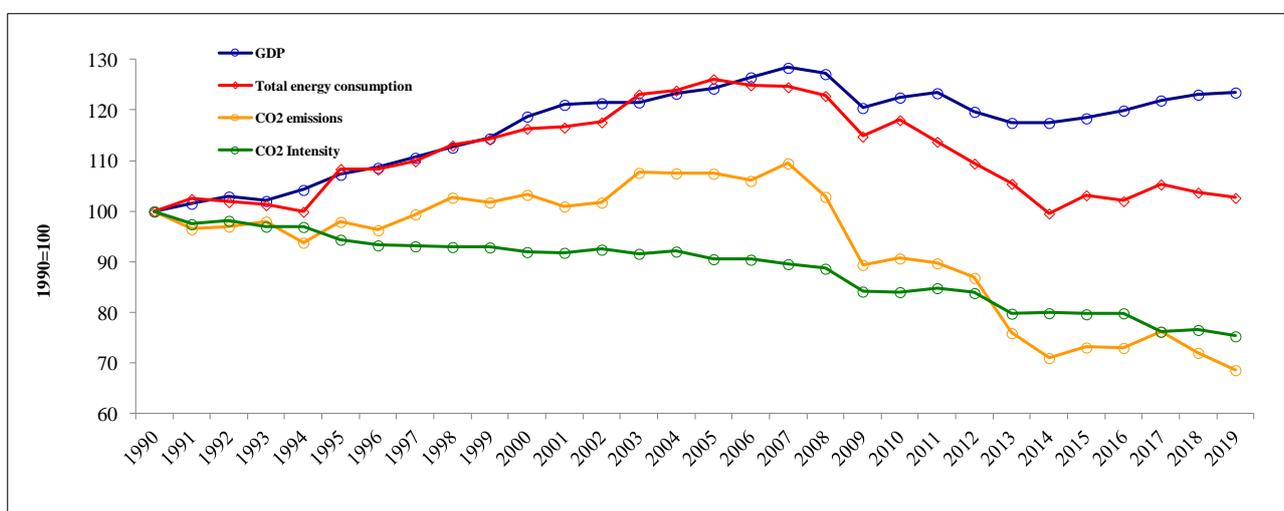


Figure 2.4 Energy-related and economic indicators and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions

### 2.2.2 Methane emissions

Methane emissions (excluding LULUCF) in 2019 represent 10.3% of total greenhouse gases, equal to 43.0 Mt in CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent, and show a decrease of 12.9% as compared to 1990 levels.

CH<sub>4</sub> emissions, in 2019, are mainly originated from the agriculture sector which accounts for 44.2% of total methane emissions, as well as from the waste (37.9%) and energy (17.9%) sectors.

Emissions in the agriculture sector regard mainly the enteric fermentation (69.8%) and manure management (21.8%) categories. The sector shows a decrease of emissions equal to 14.7% as compared to 1990, attributable widely to a reduction in livestock and the recovery of biogas for energy purposes (for swine and poultry).

Activities typically leading to emissions in the waste-management sector are the operation of dumping sites and the treatment of industrial waste-water. The waste sector shows an increase in CH<sub>4</sub> emission levels, equal to 5.2% compared to 1990; the largest sectoral shares of emissions are attributed to solid waste disposal on land (83.9%) and waste-water handling (15.0%), which show an increase equal to 11.9% and a decrease by 23.7%, respectively.

In the energy sector, the reduction of CH<sub>4</sub> emissions (-33.2%) is the result of two contrasting factors: on the one hand there has been a considerable reduction in emissions deriving from energy industries, transport, fugitive emissions from fuels (caused by leakage from the extraction and distribution of fossil fuels, due to the gradual replacement of natural-gas distribution networks), on the other hand a strong increase in the civil sector can be observed, as a result of the increased use of methane and biomass in heating systems. Figure 2.5 shows the emission figures by sector.

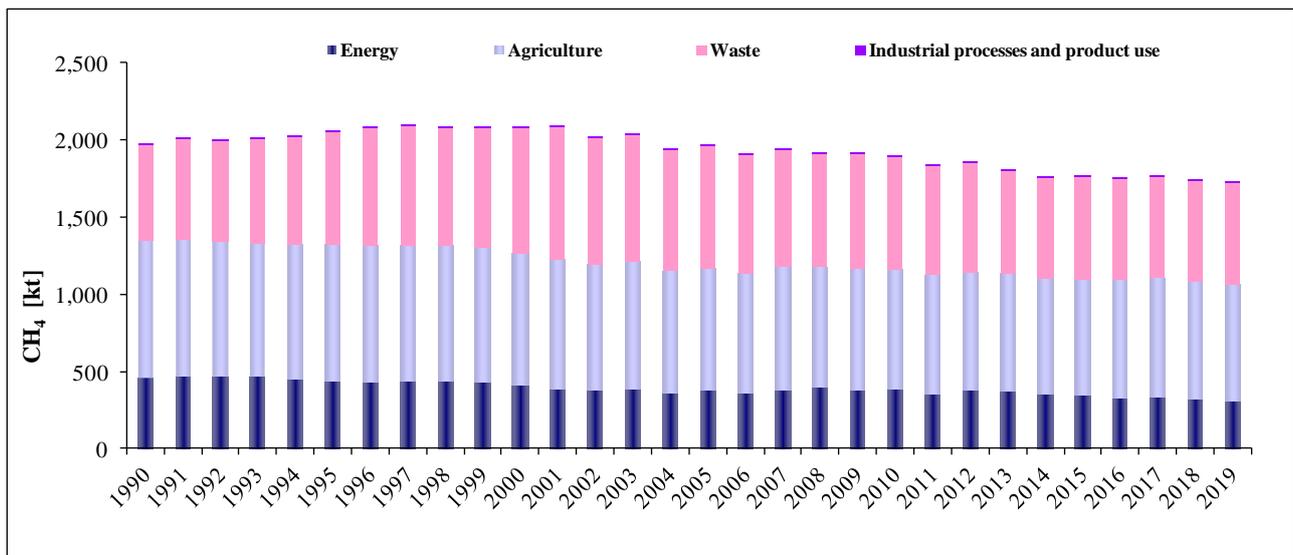


Figure 2.5 National CH<sub>4</sub> emissions by sector from 1990 to 2019 (kt)

### 2.2.3 Nitrous oxide emissions

In 2019, nitrous oxide emissions (excluding LULUCF) represent 4.1% of total greenhouse gases, with a decrease of 33.9% between 1990 and 2019, from 26.1 to 17.2 Mt CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent. The major source of N<sub>2</sub>O emissions is the agricultural sector (58.7%), in particular the use of both chemical and organic fertilisers in agriculture, as well as the management of waste from the raising of animals. Emissions from the agriculture sector show a decrease of 21.8% during the period 1990-2019, due to a reduction in livestock number.

Emissions in the energy sector (26.8% of the total) show a decrease by 0.2% from 1990 to 2019; this trend can be traced primarily to the reduction of 44.2% in the manufacturing and construction industries (which account for 4.3% of the total N<sub>2</sub>O emissions) due mainly to the reduction in the last years of cement production; the downward trend was counterbalanced by the increase of emissions by 41.3% in the other sectors category, which accounts for 14.3% of the total N<sub>2</sub>O emissions, as a result of the increased use of biomass in heating systems.

For the industrial sector, N<sub>2</sub>O emissions show a decrease of 91.1% from 1990 to 2019. The decrease is almost totally due to the introduction of abatement systems in the nitric and adipic acid production plants which drastically reduced emissions from these processes. A further component which has contributed to the reduction is the decreasing use of N<sub>2</sub>O for medical purposes.

Other emissions in the waste sector (10.8% of national N<sub>2</sub>O emissions) primarily regard the processing of industrial and domestic waste-water treatment and the biological treatment of solid waste.

Figure 2.6 shows national emission figures by sector.

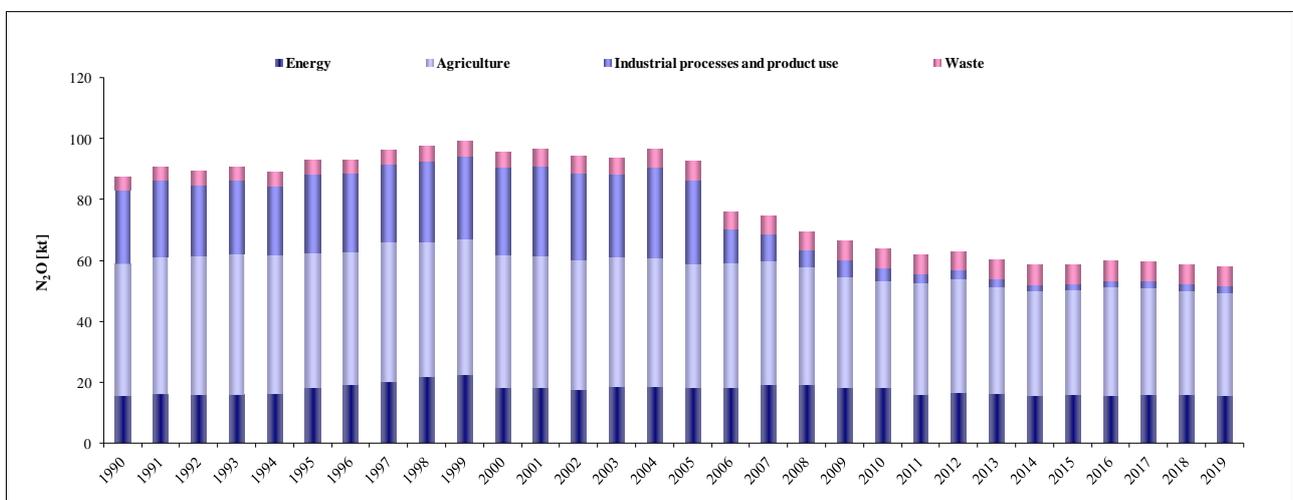


Figure 2.6 National N<sub>2</sub>O emissions by sector from 1990 to 2019 (kt)

## 2.2.4 Fluorinated gas emissions

Italy has set 1990 as the base year for emissions of fluorinated gases, HFCs, PFCs, SF<sub>6</sub> and 1995 for NF<sub>3</sub>. Taken altogether, the emissions of fluorinated gases represent 4.4% of total greenhouse gases in CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent in 2019 and they show a significant increase between 1990 and 2019. This increase is the result of different features for the different gases.

HFCs, for instance, have increased considerably from 1990 to 2019, from 0.4 to 16.8 Mt in CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent. The main sources of emissions are the consumption of HFC-134a, HFC-125, HFC-32 and HFC-143a in refrigeration and air-conditioning devices, together with the use of HFC-134a in pharmaceutical aerosols. Increases during this period are due both to the use of these substances as substitutes for gases that destroy the ozone layer and to the greater use of air conditioners in automobiles.

Emissions of PFCs show a decrease of 64.7% from 1990 to 2019. The level of PFC emissions in 2019 is equal to 1.0 Mt in CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent, and it is due to by product emissions in fluorchemical production (84.6%), and the use of the gases in the production of semiconductors (15.4%).

Emissions of SF<sub>6</sub> are equal to 0.4 Mt in CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent in 2019, with an increase of 8.8% as compared to 1990 levels. In 2019, 70.4% of SF<sub>6</sub> emissions derive from the gas contained in electrical equipment, 16.0% from the use of this substance in accelerators and 13.6% from the gas used in the semiconductors manufacture. NF<sub>3</sub> emissions account for 0.004 Mt in CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent in 2019 and derive from the semiconductors industry.

The national inventory of fluorinated gases has largely improved in terms of sources and gases identified and a strict cooperation with the relevant industry has been established. Higher methods are applied to estimate these emissions; nevertheless, uncertainty still regards some activity data which are considered of strategic economic importance and therefore kept confidential.

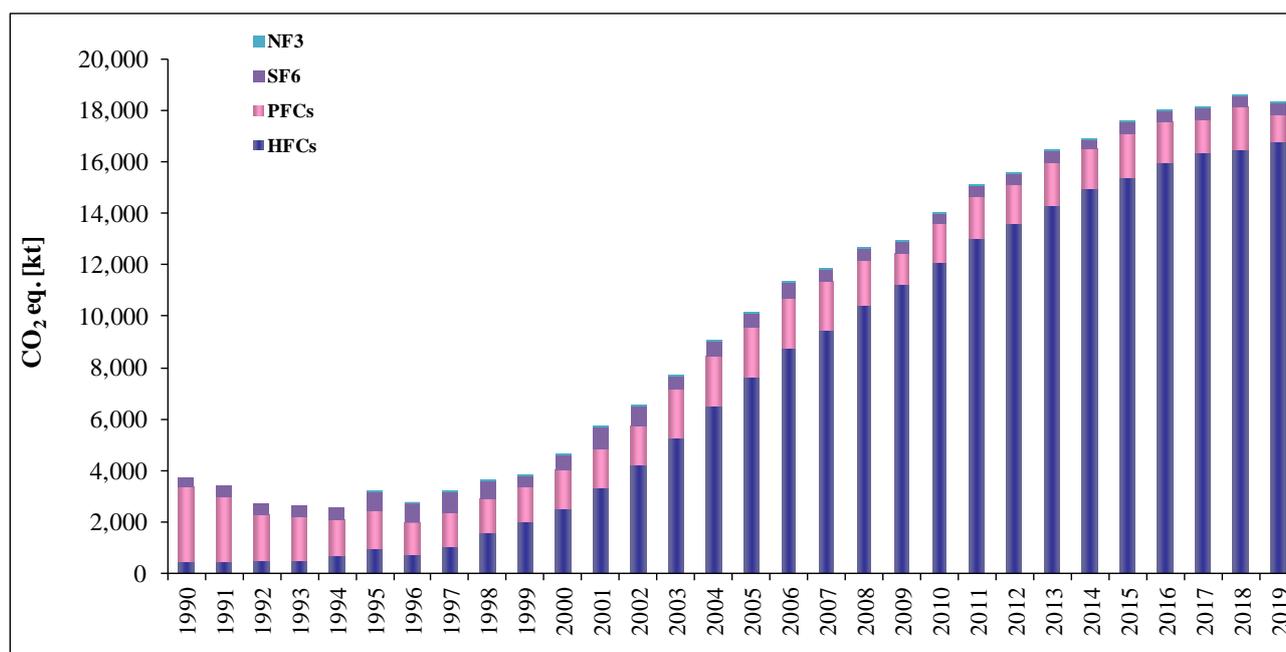


Figure 2.7 National emissions of fluorinated gases by sector from 1990 to 2019 (kt CO<sub>2</sub> eq.)

## 2.3 Description and interpretation of emission trends by source

### 2.3.1 Energy

Emissions from the energy sector account for 80.5% of total national greenhouse gas emissions, excluding LULUCF, in 2019.

Emissions in CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent from the energy sector are reported in Table 2.1 and Figure 2.8.

**Table 2.1 Total emissions from the energy sector by source (1990-2019) (kt CO<sub>2</sub> eq.)**

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2017	2018	2019
	<i>kt CO<sub>2</sub> eq.</i>								
<b>Total emissions</b>	<b>425,322</b>	<b>437,941</b>	<b>459,624</b>	<b>487,644</b>	<b>429,049</b>	<b>359,025</b>	<b>350,478</b>	<b>345,962</b>	<b>336,642</b>
Fuel Combustion (Sectoral Approach)	412,204	425,568	448,477	477,889	420,035	350,910	342,747	338,568	329,135
<i>Energy Industries</i>	<i>137,646</i>	<i>140,631</i>	<i>144,906</i>	<i>159,934</i>	<i>137,507</i>	<i>106,090</i>	<i>105,083</i>	<i>96,068</i>	<i>91,797</i>
<i>Manufacturing Industries and Construction</i>	<i>92,278</i>	<i>90,312</i>	<i>96,373</i>	<i>92,444</i>	<i>70,165</i>	<i>55,634</i>	<i>53,165</i>	<i>54,272</i>	<i>49,872</i>
<i>Transport</i>	<i>102,215</i>	<i>114,292</i>	<i>123,817</i>	<i>128,260</i>	<i>115,557</i>	<i>106,260</i>	<i>100,918</i>	<i>104,345</i>	<i>105,514</i>
<i>Other Sectors</i>	<i>78,924</i>	<i>78,767</i>	<i>82,500</i>	<i>95,928</i>	<i>96,113</i>	<i>82,448</i>	<i>83,242</i>	<i>83,532</i>	<i>81,485</i>
<i>Other</i>	<i>1,143</i>	<i>1,566</i>	<i>881</i>	<i>1,323</i>	<i>692</i>	<i>478</i>	<i>340</i>	<i>351</i>	<i>467</i>
Fugitive Emissions from Fuels	13,117	12,374	11,147	9,755	9,014	8,115	7,731	7,395	7,507
<i>Solid Fuels</i>	<i>132</i>	<i>74</i>	<i>97</i>	<i>90</i>	<i>86</i>	<i>53</i>	<i>37</i>	<i>34</i>	<i>32</i>
<i>Oil and Natural Gas</i>	<i>12,985</i>	<i>12,300</i>	<i>11,050</i>	<i>9,665</i>	<i>8,928</i>	<i>8,062</i>	<i>7,695</i>	<i>7,360</i>	<i>7,475</i>

From 2005, GHG emissions from the energy sector have been decreasing because of the policies adopted at European and national level to implement the production of energy from renewable sources. From the same year, a further shift from petrol products to natural gas in producing energy has been observed as a consequence of the starting of the EU greenhouse gas Emission Trading Scheme (EU ETS) in January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2005. From 2009, a further drop of the sectoral emissions is due to the economic recession. From 2008 to 2009 the decrease observed in GHG emissions is equal to -10.1% followed by an increase (+2.3%) only from 2009 to 2010; since then, except for the increase of 2.2% between 2014 and 2015, the annual variations are always negative until 2019, when emissions the emissions decreased by 2.7% comparing to 2018.

Total greenhouse gas emissions, in CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent, show a decrease of about 20.9% from 1990 to 2019; in particular, an upward trend is noted from 1990 to 2004, with an increase by 14.4%, while between 2005 and 2019 emissions decreased by 30.9%.

The substance with the highest impact, in the energy sector, is CO<sub>2</sub>, accounting for 96.3% of the sectoral total, in 2019, whose levels have decreased by 20.7% from 1990 to 2019.

CH<sub>4</sub> emissions trend, showing a decrease of 33.2% from 1990 to 2019, accounting for 2.3% of the total emission levels, is driven by the combined effect of technological improvements that limit volatile organic compounds (VOCs) from tail pipe and evaporative emissions (for cars) and the expansion of two-wheelers fleet.

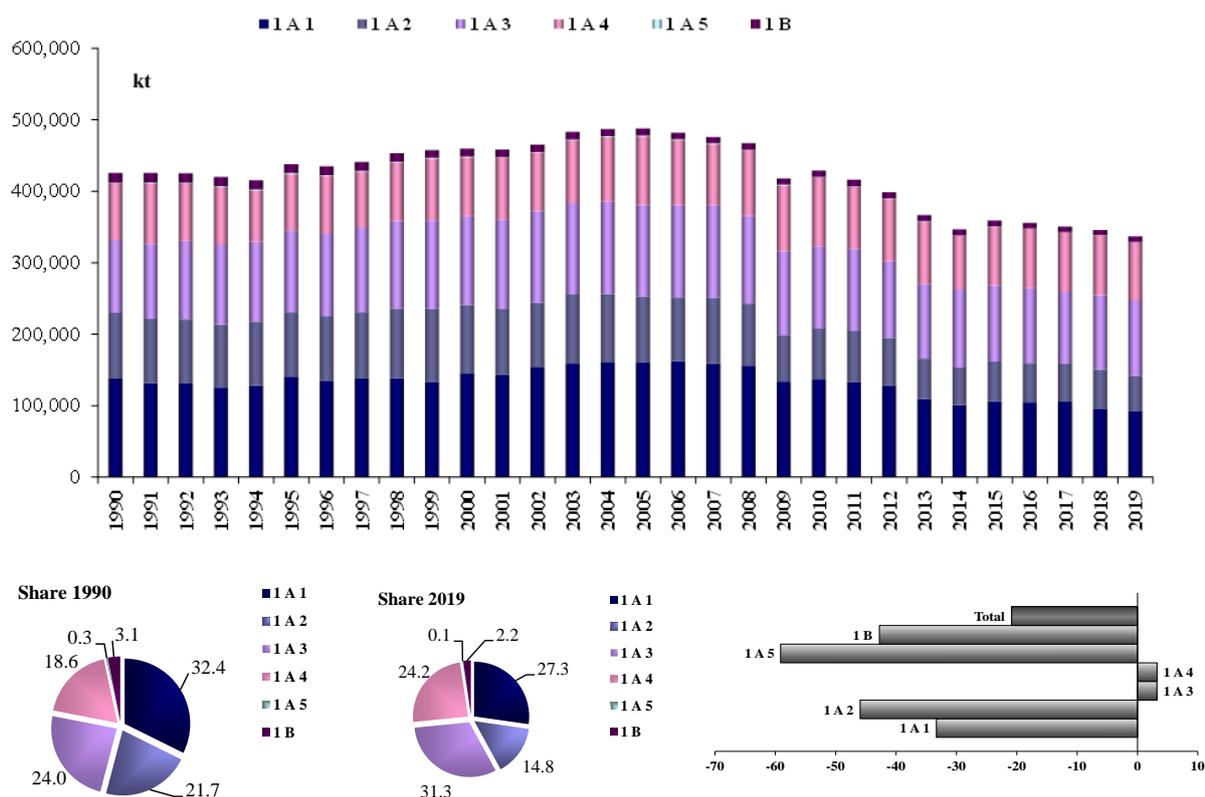
N<sub>2</sub>O shows a decrease of 0.2% with a share out of the total equal to 1.4%, mainly driven by the technology development in road transport and to the switch from gasoline to diesel fuel consumption.

In general, for the sector, the decrease in emissions from 1990 to 2019 is driven by the reduction in the energy industries and manufacturing industries and construction, which account for 27.3% and 14.8% and reduced by 33.3% and 46.0%, respectively. Specifically, for the manufacturing industries and construction, the reason for the reduced emissions is the cut in production in some subsectors (e.g. chemical, construction and building materials, steel) due to the effects of the economic recession but also to an increase in efficiency, especially identified in the chemical sector. On the other hand, an increase in emissions still occurs in other sectors, which increased by about 3.2% and account for 24.2%; the transport sector, accounting for 31.3%, shows an decrease of 3.2%.

Road transport is the most relevant source in the transport sector, accounting in 2019 for 23.4% of total national CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent emissions. In 2019, GHG emissions from road transport were about 92.6% of the national emissions from transport. From 1990 to 2019, GHG emissions from the sector increased by 3.9%.

The increase in other sectors, which refer to emissions originated from energy use in the civil sector and from military mobile activities, is due, from 1990 to 2000, to the increase in numbers and size of building with heating, and to the trend in weather conditions, while from 2002, and especially in the last few years, to the increase in other greenhouse gas emissions than CO<sub>2</sub> for the growing use of woody biomass and biogas for heating.

Details on these figures are described in the specific chapter.



**Figure 2.8** Trend of total emissions from the energy sector (1990-2019) (kt CO<sub>2</sub> eq.)

### 2.3.2 Industrial processes and product use

Emissions from the industrial processes and product use sector account for 8.1% of total national greenhouse gas emissions, excluding LULUCF, in 2019. Emission trends from industrial processes are reported in Table 2.2 and Figure 2.9.

Total emissions, in CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent, show a decrease of 16.0%, from 1990 to 2019. Taking into account emissions by substance, CO<sub>2</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O decreased by 49.1% and 91.1%, respectively; in terms of their weight out of the sectoral total emissions, CO<sub>2</sub> accounts for 44.0% and N<sub>2</sub>O for 1.9%. CH<sub>4</sub> decreased by 67.9% but it accounts for only 0.1%.

The decrease in emissions is mostly to be attributed to a decrease in the mineral and chemical industries. Emissions from mineral production decreased by 47.2%, mostly for the reduction of cement production. The decrease of GHG emissions in the chemical industry (-78.0%) is due to the decreasing trend of the emissions from nitric acid and adipic acid production (the last production process sharply reduced its emissions, due to a fully operational abatement technology). On the other hand, a considerable increase is observed in F-gas emissions (387.5%), whose share on total sectoral emissions is 54%. The main drivers of the increase are the consumptions of HFCs in refrigeration and air-conditioning devices, together with their use in pharmaceutical aerosols. Details for industrial processes and product use emissions can be found in the specific chapter.

**Table 2.2** Total emissions from the industrial processes sector by gas (1990-2019) (kt CO<sub>2</sub> eq.)

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2017	2018	2019
	<i>kt CO<sub>2</sub> eq.</i>								
<b>Total emissions</b>	<b>40,422</b>	<b>38,316</b>	<b>39,123</b>	<b>47,209</b>	<b>37,000</b>	<b>33,232</b>	<b>33,817</b>	<b>34,570</b>	<b>33,937</b>
CO <sub>2</sub>	29,335	27,281	25,832	28,718	21,703	14,976	14,976	15,248	14,941
CH <sub>4</sub>	129	134	73	74	60	42	44	44	41
N <sub>2</sub> O	7,199	7,701	8,599	8,251	1,224	613	697	684	641
F-gases	3,759	3,200	4,620	10,165	14,013	17,601	18,100	18,594	18,314
HFCs	444	927	2,489	7,617	12,054	15,387	16,321	16,445	16,801
PFCs	2,907	1,492	1,488	1,940	1,520	1,688	1,314	1,657	1,028
Unspecified mix of HFCs and PFCs		25	25	25	25	25	25	23	24

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2017	2018	2019
	<i>kt CO<sub>2</sub> eq.</i>								
SF <sub>6</sub>	408	680	604	550	394	472	417	446	444
NF <sub>3</sub>		77	13	33	20	28	23	22	18

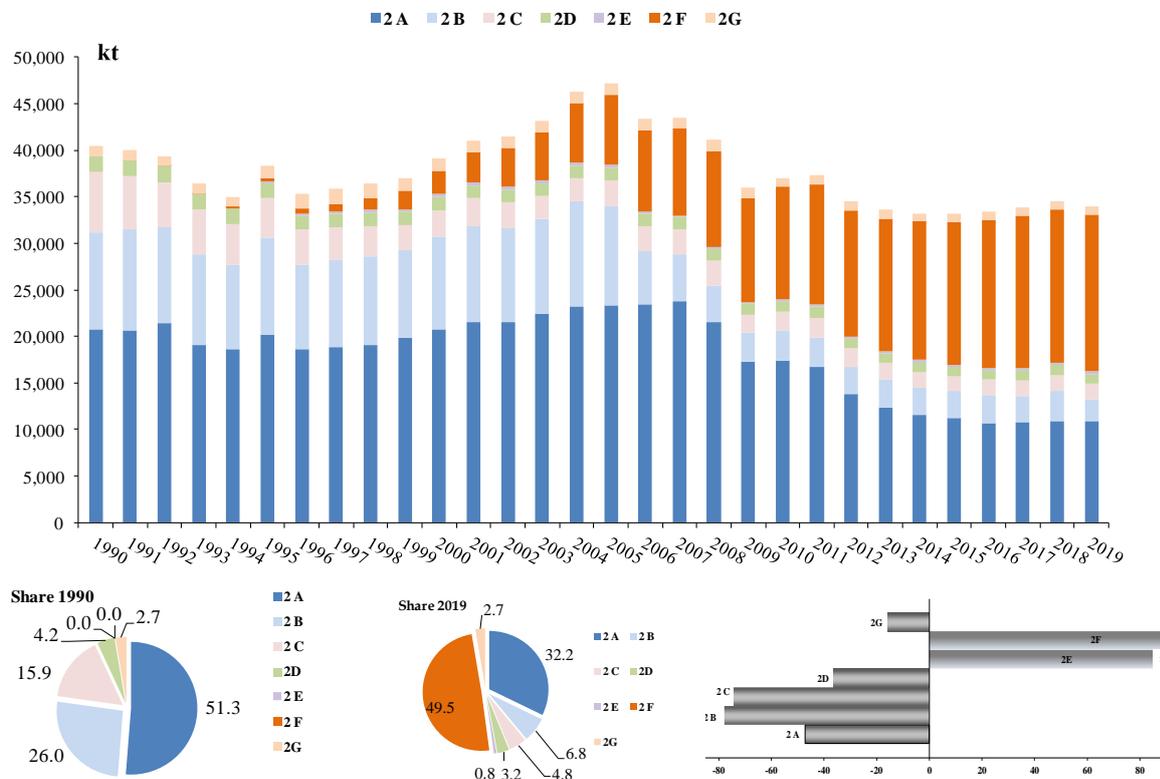


Figure 2.9 Trend of total emissions from the industrial processes sector (1990-2019) (kt CO<sub>2</sub> eq.)

### 2.3.3 Agriculture

Emissions from the agriculture sector account for 7.1% of total national greenhouse gas emissions, in 2019, excluding LULUCF. Emissions from the agriculture sector are reported in Table 2.3 and Figure 2.10.

Table 2.3 Total emissions from the agriculture sector by source (1990-2019) (kt CO<sub>2</sub> eq.)

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2017	2018	2019
	<i>kt CO<sub>2</sub> eq.</i>								
<b>Total emissions</b>	<b>35,672</b>	<b>35,751</b>	<b>34,829</b>	<b>32,335</b>	<b>30,020</b>	<b>29,563</b>	<b>30,109</b>	<b>29,686</b>	<b>29,517</b>
Enteric Fermentation	15,497	15,319	15,048	13,179	12,761	12,912	13,301	13,257	13,241
Manure Management	7,660	7,294	7,172	7,083	6,859	6,379	6,362	6,259	6,214
Rice Cultivation	1,876	1,989	1,656	1,752	1,822	1,668	1,646	1,601	1,583
Agricultural Soils	10,111	10,563	10,363	9,737	8,178	8,125	8,325	8,107	8,031
Field Burning of Agricultural Residues	19	18	18	20	19	20	19	19	19
Liming	1	1	2	14	18	14	17	15	16
Urea application	465	512	525	507	335	425	418	405	396
Other carbon-containing fertilizers	44	54	44	42	28	20	20	22	17

Emissions mostly refer to CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O levels, which account for 64.3% and 34.3% of the total emissions of the sector, respectively. CO<sub>2</sub> accounts for the remaining 1.4% of total emissions. The decrease observed in total emissions (-17.3%) is mostly due to the decrease of CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from enteric fermentation (-14.6%)

and to the decrease of N<sub>2</sub>O (-20.6%) from agricultural soils, which categories account for 44.9% and 27.2% of the total sectoral emissions, respectively.

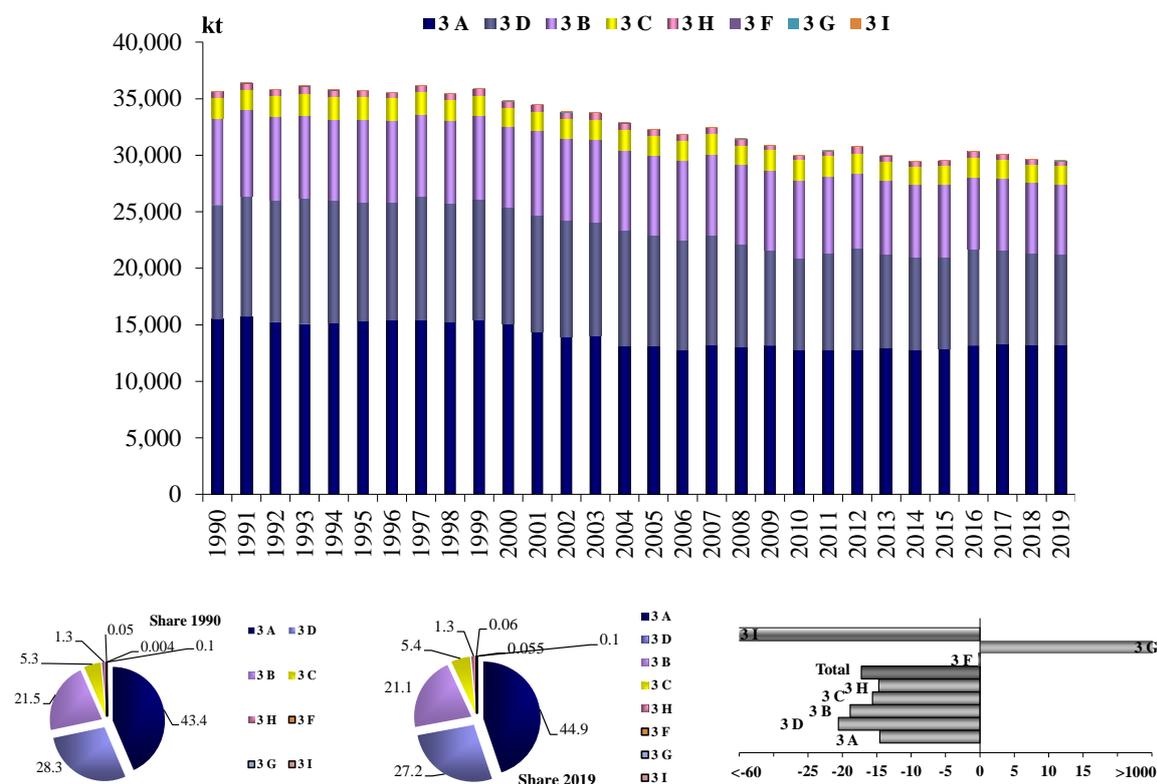


Figure 2.10 Trend of total emissions from the agriculture sector (1990-2019) (kt CO<sub>2</sub> eq.)

Main drivers behind these downward trends are the reduction in the number of animals, especially cattle in the whole period and the use of nitrogen fertilizers, mainly due to the European Common Agricultural Policy (CAP) measures. In addition, there has been a significant increase in the recovery of the biogas produced from animal manure and used in the energy sector for the production of electricity and combined electricity and heat production in the last years, thus contributing to the reduction of total emissions.

Detailed comments can be found in the specific chapter.

### 2.3.4 LULUCF

Emissions and removals from the LULUCF sector are reported in Table 2.4 and Figure 2.11.

Table 2.4 Total emissions from the LULUCF sector by source/sink (1990-2019) (kt CO<sub>2</sub> eq.)

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2017	2018	2019
	<i>kt CO<sub>2</sub> eq.</i>								
<b>Total emissions/removals</b>	<b>-3,450</b>	<b>-23,690</b>	<b>-20,892</b>	<b>-35,034</b>	<b>-41,909</b>	<b>-43,671</b>	<b>-20,299</b>	<b>-36,013</b>	<b>-41,573</b>
Forest land	-17,255	-31,001	-25,694	-34,537	-36,547	-39,950	-21,362	-32,699	-37,155
Cropland	2,430	1,216	-116	-1,602	-866	575	-522	-93	-52
Grassland	4,548	-2,163	-1,659	-6,222	-9,193	-9,363	-4,083	-8,970	-8,171
Wetlands	NO	5	8	8	130	130	40	40	40
Settlements	7,145	8,941	6,982	7,804	4,686	4,730	5,543	5,550	5,557
Other land	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
Harvested wood products	-388	-706	-454	-503	-142	196	35	156	-1,799
Other (indirect N <sub>2</sub> O soils)	70	18	40	17	23	11	50	4	8

Total removals, in CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent, in the LULUCF sector, show a high variability in the period, remarkably influenced by the annual fires occurrence and the related GHG emissions. CO<sub>2</sub> accounts for 98.4% of total emissions and removals of the sector, as absolute weight. The key driver for the rise in removals is the increase of carbon stock changes from forest land (the area reported under forest land has increased by 24.5%). Further details for LULUCF emissions and removals can be found in the specific chapter.

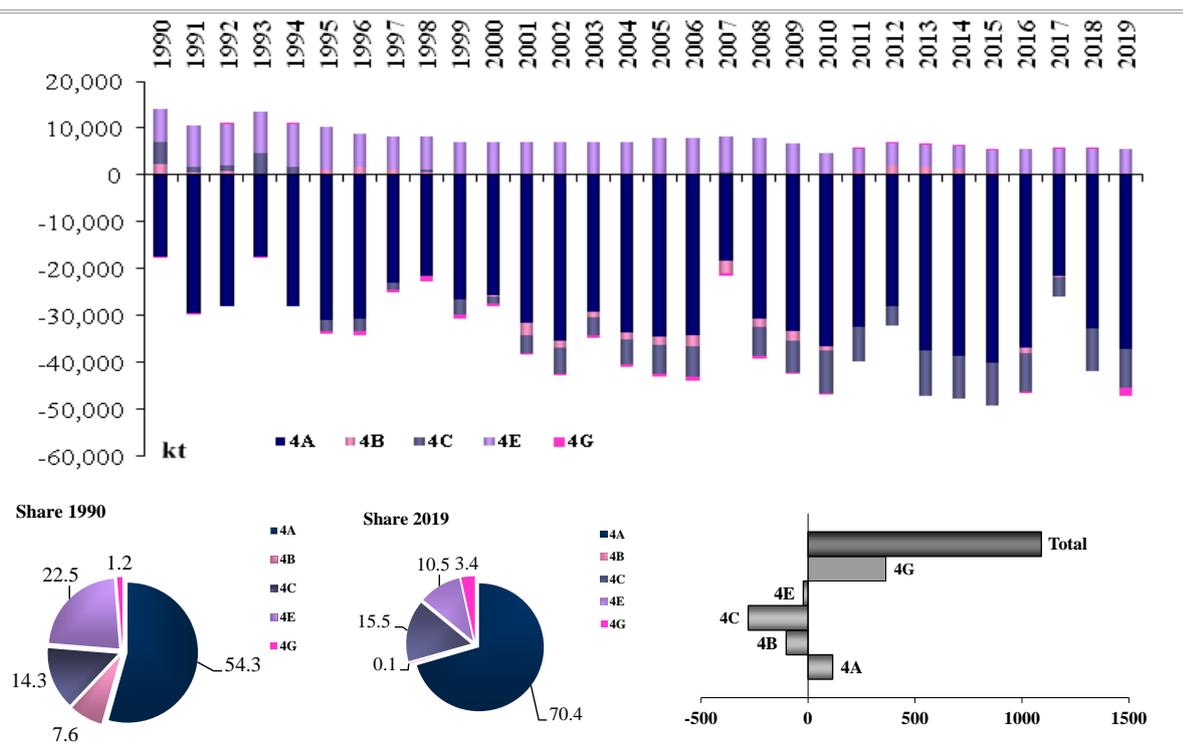


Figure 2.11 Trend of total emissions and removals from the LULUCF sector (1990-2019) (kt CO<sub>2</sub> eq.)

### 2.3.5 Waste

Emissions from the waste sector account for 4.3% of total national greenhouse gas emissions, in 2019, excluding LULUCF.

Emissions from the waste sector are shown in Table 2.5 and Figure 2.12.

Table 2.5 Total emissions from the waste sector by source (1990-2019) (kt CO<sub>2</sub> eq.)

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2017	2018	2019
	<i>kt CO<sub>2</sub> eq.</i>								
<b>Total emissions</b>	<b>17,304</b>	<b>19,996</b>	<b>21,890</b>	<b>21,883</b>	<b>20,404</b>	<b>18,617</b>	<b>18,309</b>	<b>18,332</b>	<b>18,184</b>
Solid waste disposal	12,206	15,123	17,200	17,002	15,558	14,016	13,703	13,769	13,659
Biological treatment of solid waste	25	58	249	489	619	642	643	634	608
Incineration and open burning of waste	599	551	290	317	258	177	168	127	129
Waste water treatment and discharge	4,474	4,264	4,152	4,075	3,969	3,781	3,795	3,801	3,788
Other	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

Total emissions, in CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent, increased by 5.1% from 1990 to 2019. The trend is mainly driven by the increase in emissions from solid waste disposal (11.9%), accounting for 75.1% of the total, counterbalanced by the decrease of emissions from waste water treatment (-15.3%), accounting for 20.8%.

Considering emissions by gas, the most important greenhouse gas is CH<sub>4</sub> which accounts for 89.5% of the total and shows an increase of 5.2% from 1990 to 2019. N<sub>2</sub>O levels have increased by 40.1% while CO<sub>2</sub> decreased by 89.2%; these gases account for 10.2% and 0.3%, respectively.

Further details can be found in the specific chapter.

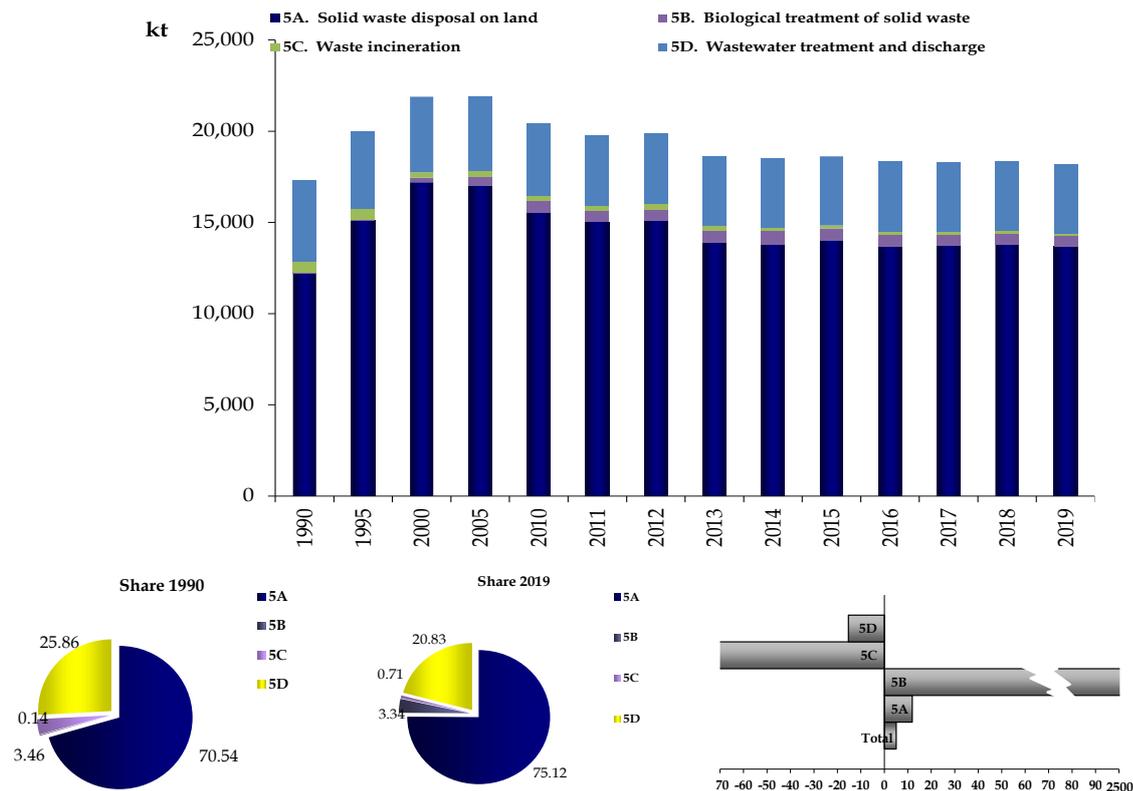


Figure 2.12 Trend of total emissions from the waste sector (1990-2019) (kt CO<sub>2</sub> eq.)

## 2.4 Description and interpretation of emission trends for indirect greenhouse gases and SO<sub>2</sub>

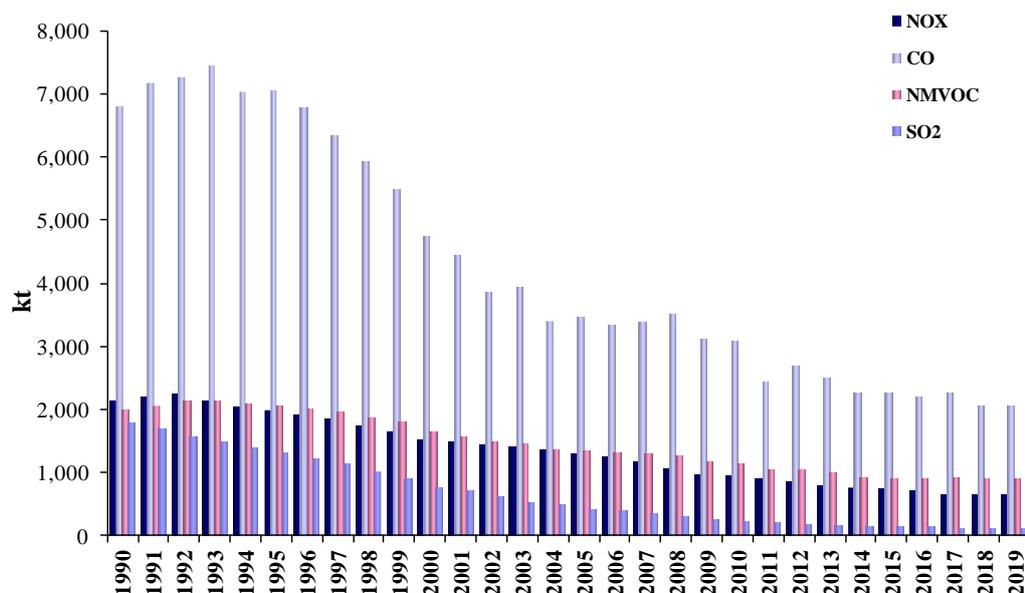
Emission trends of NO<sub>x</sub>, CO, NMVOC and SO<sub>2</sub> from 1990 to 2019 are presented in Table 2.6 and Figure 2.13.

Table 2.6 Total emissions without LULUCF for indirect greenhouse gases and SO<sub>2</sub> (1990-2019) (kt)

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
	<i>kt</i>									
NO <sub>x</sub>	2,128	1,992	1,511	1,294	940	722	703	649	642	630
CO	6,796	7,071	4,750	3,467	3,073	2,270	2,194	2,260	2,051	2,061
NMVOC	1,994	2,059	1,630	1,340	1,117	901	884	925	897	894
SO <sub>2</sub>	1,784	1,322	757	411	222	127	119	117	109	105

All gases show a significant reduction in 2019 as compared to 1990 levels. The highest reduction is observed for SO<sub>2</sub> (- 94.1%), NO<sub>x</sub> levels have reduced by 70.4%, while CO and NMVOC show a decrease by 69.7% and 55.1%, respectively. A detailed description of the trend by gas and sector as well as the main reduction plans can be found in the Italian National Programme for the progressive reduction of the annual national emissions of SO<sub>2</sub>, NO<sub>x</sub>, NMVOC and NH<sub>3</sub>, as requested by the Directive 2001/81/EC.

The most relevant reductions occurred as a consequence of the Directive 75/716/EC, and successive ones related to the transport sector, and of other European Directives which established maximum levels for sulphur content in liquid fuels and introduced emission standards for combustion installations. As a consequence, in the combustion processes, oil with high sulphur content and coal have been substituted with oil with low sulphur content and natural gas.



**Figure 2.13 Trend of total emissions for indirect greenhouse gases and SO<sub>2</sub> (1990-2019) (kt)**

It should be noted that these figures differ from the national totals reported under the *United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE) Convention on Long Range Transboundary Air Pollution (CLRTAP)*. If considering total emissions excluding the LULUCF sector, differences are to be attributed to the different accounting of emissions from the civil aviation sector and from fires. In the national totals under CLRTAP, in fact, emissions from aviation are calculated considering all LTO cycles, both domestic and international, excluding entirely the cruise phase. If national figures comprise LULUCF, on the other hand, differences are also to be attributed to fires; under the UNFCCC national total with LULUCF includes emissions from fires from forest, grassland and cropland whereas they are not considered in the national total for CLRTAP. Emission trends of NO<sub>x</sub>, CO, NMVOC and SO<sub>2</sub>, excluding LULUCF, communicated under UNECE CLRTAP are presented in Table 2.7.

In the context of the European Regulation No 525/2013, Art. 7(1)(m)(i), EU Member States shall report on the consistency of data on air pollutants under the UNECE Convention on Long-range Transboundary Air Pollution and those under the UNFCCC Convention.

Differences in percentage terms between figures, without LULUCF, between the two Conventions are illustrated in Table 2.8.

**Table 2.7 Total emissions for indirect greenhouse gases and SO<sub>2</sub> (1990-2019) (kt) under UNECE CLRTAP**

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
	<i>kt</i>									
NO <sub>x</sub>	2,125	1,989	1,504	1,289	934	719	699	646	639	627
CO	6,797	7,072	4,751	3,467	3,073	2,271	2,195	2,261	2,052	2,062
NMVOC	1,994	2,059	1,630	1,340	1,117	901	884	925	897	894
SO <sub>2</sub>	1,784	1,322	756	411	222	127	119	117	109	105

**Table 2.8 Percentage differences between total emissions for indirect greenhouse gases and SO<sub>2</sub> under the UNFCCC and UNECE CLRTAP Conventions (1990-2019)**

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
NO <sub>x</sub>	0.17%	0.17%	0.41%	0.40%	0.66%	0.49%	0.46%	0.49%	0.49%	0.50%
CO	-0.01%	-0.01%	-0.02%	-0.01%	0.00%	-0.04%	-0.04%	-0.04%	-0.06%	-0.06%
NMVOC	0.00%	0.00%	-0.01%	-0.01%	-0.01%	-0.02%	-0.02%	-0.02%	-0.02%	-0.02%
SO <sub>2</sub>	0.01%	0.02%	0.05%	0.10%	0.18%	0.16%	0.15%	0.16%	0.17%	0.17%

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## 2.5 Indirect CO<sub>2</sub> and nitrous oxide emissions

Indirect emissions are originated from the atmospheric oxidation of CH<sub>4</sub>, CO and NMVOCs. Italy has chosen to report indirect CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from the oxidation of NMVOCs including them in the relevant categories of solvent use. Details on how they are converted into indirect CO<sub>2</sub>, can be found in the sections on non-energy-related products from fuels and solvents in Chapter 4.5.2.

Indirect emissions of N<sub>2</sub>O take place as a result of two different nitrogen loss pathways. These pathways are the volatilization/emission of nitrogen as NH<sub>3</sub> and NO<sub>x</sub> and the subsequent deposition of these forms of nitrogen as ammonium (NH<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup>) and oxidised nitrogen (NO<sub>x</sub>) on soils and waters, and the leaching and runoff of nitrogen from synthetic and organic nitrogen fertilizer inputs, crop residues, mineralization of nitrogen through land use change or management practices, and urine and dung deposition from grazing animals, into groundwater, riparian areas and wetlands, rivers. All NH<sub>3</sub> or NO<sub>x</sub> anthropogenic emissions are potential sources of N<sub>2</sub>O emissions.

Indirect N<sub>2</sub>O emissions are estimated according to Equation 7.1 of the 2006 IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006) on the basis of NO<sub>x</sub> and NH<sub>3</sub> national emissions disaggregated at sectoral level (ISPRA, 2021 [a]) and reported as memo item in the relevant sectors, except for the agriculture sector where emissions are already included in the national totals.

This method assumes that N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from atmospheric deposition are reported by the country that produced the original NO<sub>x</sub> and NH<sub>3</sub> emissions. In reality, the ultimate formation of N<sub>2</sub>O may occur in another country due to atmospheric transport of emissions. Also, the method does not account for the probable lag time between NO<sub>x</sub> and NH<sub>3</sub> emissions and subsequent production of N<sub>2</sub>O in soils and surface waters. This time lag is expected to be small related to an annual reporting cycle.

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## 3 ENERGY [CRF sector 1]

### 3.1 Sector overview

For the pollutants and sources discussed in this section, emissions result from the combustion of fuel. The pollutants estimated are: carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>), NO<sub>x</sub> as nitrogen dioxide, nitrous oxide (N<sub>2</sub>O), methane (CH<sub>4</sub>), non methane volatile organic compounds (NMVOC), carbon monoxide (CO), and sulphur dioxide (SO<sub>2</sub>). The sources covered are:

- Electricity (power plants and industrial producers);
- Refineries (combustion);
- Chemical and petrochemical industries (combustion);
- Construction industries (roof tiles, bricks);
- Other industries (metal works factories, food, textiles, others);
- Road Transport;
- Shipping;
- Railways;
- Aircraft;
- Domestic;
- Commercial;
- Public Service;
- Fishing and Agriculture.

The national emission inventory is prepared using energy consumption information available from national statistics and an estimate of the actual use of the fuels. The latter information is available at sectoral level in many publications but the evaluation of emissions of methane and nitrous oxide is needed. Those emissions are related to the actual physical conditions of the combustion process and to environmental conditions.

The continuous monitoring of GHG emissions in Italy is not regular especially in some sectors; hence, information is not often available on actual emissions over a specific period from an individual emission source. Therefore, the majority of emissions are estimated from different information such as fuel consumption, distance travelled, or some other statistical data related to emissions.

Estimates for a particular source sector are calculated by applying an emission factor to an appropriate statistic. That is:

$$\text{Total Emission} = \text{Emission Factor} \times \text{Activity Statistic}$$

Emission factors are typically derived from measurements on a number of representative sources and the resulting factor applied to the whole country.

For some categories, emissions data are available at individual site. Hence, emissions for a specific category can be calculated as the sum of the emissions from these point sources. That is:

$$\text{Emission} = \Sigma \text{ Point Source Emissions}$$

However, it is necessary to carry out an estimate of the fuel consumption associated with these point sources, so that emissions from non-point sources can be estimated from fuel consumption data without double counting. In general, point source approach is applied to specific point sources (e.g. power stations, cement kilns, refineries). Most non-industrial sources are estimated using emission factors.

For most of the combustion source categories, emissions are estimated from fuel consumption data reported in the National Energy Balance (BEN) and from an emission factor appropriate to the type of combustion. However, the industrial category covers a range of sources and types, so the inventory disaggregates this category into a number of sub-categories, namely:

- Other Industry;
- Other Industry Off-road (see paragraph 3.6);
- Iron & Steel (Combustion, Blast Furnaces, Sinter Plant);
- Petrochemical industries (Combustion);
- Other combustion with contact industries: glass and tiles;
- Other industries (Metal works factories, food, textiles, others);
- Ammonia Feedstock (natural gas only);

- Ammonia (Combustion) (natural gas only);
- Cement (Combustion);
- Lime Production (non-decarbonising).

Thus, the estimate from fuel consumption emission factors refers to stationary combustion in boilers and heaters. The other categories are estimated by more complex methods discussed in the relevant sections. However, for these processes, where emissions arise from fuel combustion for energy production, these are reported under IPCC Table 1A. The fuel consumption of Other Industry is estimated so that the total fuel consumption of these sources is consistent with the national energy balance.

Fugitive emissions are also estimated and reported under 1B category and the relevant information are provided in paragraph 3.9.

From the 2015 submission, the UNFCCC Reporting Guidelines require estimating a new source category, emissions from the CO<sub>2</sub> storage and distribution category, but in Italy this activity and the relevant emissions do not occur yet.

According to the IPCC 2006 Guidelines (IPCC, 2006), electricity generation by companies primarily for their own use is auto-generation, and the emissions produced should be reported under the industry concerned. However, most national energy statistics (including Italy) report emissions from electricity generation as a separate category. The Italian inventory makes an overall calculation and then attempts to report as far as possible according to the IPCC methodology:

- auto-generators are reported in the relevant industrial sectors of section “1.A.2 Manufacturing Industries and Construction”, including sector “1.A.2.g Other”;
- refineries auto-generation is included in section 1.A.1.b;
- iron and steel auto-generation is included in section 1.A.1.c;
- autogeneration of energy and heat in the incinerators is reported in 1.A.4.a.

These reports are based on TERNA estimates of fuel used for steam generation connected with electricity production (TERNA, several years).

Emissions from waste incineration facilities with energy recovery are reported under category 1.A.4.a (Combustion activity, commercial/institutional sector), for the fossil and biomass fraction of waste incinerated in the other fuel and biomass sub categories respectively, whereas emissions from other types of waste incineration facilities are reported under category 5.C (Waste incineration).

In fact, energy recovered by these plants is mainly used for district heating of commercial buildings or is auto consumed in the plant. For 2019, 99% of the total amount of waste incinerated is treated in plants with energy recovery system. Although there are not data or a robust estimate of the share of waste used to produce electricity the available literature (ENEA-federAmbiente, 2012) provides that in 2010 the gross electricity production by urban waste incinerators was equal to 3887 GWh (net 3190 GWh) and the amount sent to the network was equal to only 121 GWh. To estimate CO<sub>2</sub> emissions, considering the total amount of waste incinerated in plants with energy recovery, carbon content is calculated, as described in paragraph 7.4.2, in the waste chapter. Different emission factors for municipal, industrial and oils, hospital waste, and sewage sludge are applied, as reported in the waste chapter, Tables 7.18-7.22. Waste amount is then converted in energy content applying the conversion factor resulting from data provided by TERNA and equal in 2019 to 11.3 GJ/t of waste. In 2019, the resulting average emission factor for the fossil part of waste is equal to 96.5 kg CO<sub>2</sub>/GJ while for the biomass is equal to 82.5 kg CO<sub>2</sub>/GJ.

Landfill gas recovered is used for heating and power in commercial facilities, the resulting emissions are reported under 1.A.4.a in biomass. In 2019, the resulting average emission factor is equal to 50.4 kg CO<sub>2</sub>/GJ. Biogas recovered from the anaerobic digester of animal waste is used for utilities in the agriculture sector and relative emissions are reported under 1.A.4.c in biomass. In 2019, the resulting average emission factor is equal to 54.0 kg CO<sub>2</sub>/GJ.

We allocate these emissions to the 1.A.4 category because the energy produced in these plants, incinerators or landfills, as well as energy produced by biogas collection from manure and agriculture residue, is prevalently auto-consumed for heating and electricity of the buildings or animal recoveries, and only a few amount of energy produced goes to the electrical grid.

### Emission trends

In 2019, the energy sector accounts for 95.5% of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions, 17.9% of CH<sub>4</sub> and 26.8% of N<sub>2</sub>O. In terms of CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent, the energy sector shares 80.5% of total national greenhouse gas emissions excluding LULUCF.

Emission trends of greenhouse gases from the energy sector are reported in Table 3.1.

**Table 3.1 GHG emission trends in the energy sector 1990-2019 (Mt CO<sub>2</sub> eq.)**

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
<b>Total Energy</b>	425.3	437.9	459.6	487.6	429.0	359.0	355.6	350.5	346.0	336.6
<b>CO<sub>2</sub></b>	409.2	421.5	443.9	472.7	413.9	345.8	342.7	337.3	333.3	324.3
<b>CH<sub>4</sub></b>	11.5	11.1	10.3	9.5	9.8	8.5	8.3	8.5	8.0	7.7
<b>N<sub>2</sub>O</b>	4.6	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.4	4.7	4.6	4.7	4.7	4.6

Source: ISPRA elaborations

The emission trend is generally driven by the economic indicators as already shown in chapter 2.

From 2005, GHG emissions from the sector are decreasing as a result of the policies adopted at European and national level to implement the production of energy from renewable sources. From the same year, a further shift from petrol products to natural gas in producing energy has been observed as a consequence of the starting of the EU greenhouse gas Emission Trading Scheme (EU ETS) in January, 1<sup>st</sup> 2005.

From 2009, a further drop of the sectoral emissions is due to the economic recession. From 2008 to 2009 the decrease observed in total GHG emissions is equal to -9.8% indeed, followed by a slight increase, equal to +2.2% from 2009 to 2010; since then annual variations are always negative till 2015 where emissions increased of 2.9% with respect to 2014 due to a reduction in energy production by hydroelectric which resulted in an increase of energy production from thermoelectric plants to satisfy the energy demand.

From 2016 to 2019 emissions from the sector decrease of 6.2% compared to the 2015 as a consequence of a shift from coal to natural gas fuel consumption for energy production.

In Table 3.2, the electricity production distinguished by source for the whole time series is reported on the basis of data supplied by the national grid operator (ENEL, several years; TERNA, several years). From 2010 to 2014 a drop in electricity generation from fossil fuels has been observed in Italy. The drop has been driven both by the economic recession and by the increase of renewable sources for energy production. The use of natural gas and coal is generally driven by the market; in 2011, from one side there was a minor availability (and higher prices) of natural gas imported by pipelines from Algeria and Libya, due to the “spring revolutions” occurring in these countries in that year, on the other side a new coal power plant, one of the largest in Italy, was fully operative with a production of around 12500 GWh explaining the increasing trend of electricity production from solid fuels.

In “other fuels” a multitude of fuels are included, as biomass, waste, biogas from agriculture residues and waste and synthesis gases from heavy residual or chemical processes. The breakdown is available to the inventory expert allowing emission estimations but it is confidential and not published by the owner of the information, TERNA.

**Table 3.2 Production of electricity by sources 1990-2019 (GWh)**

Source	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
	<b>GWh</b>									
Hydroelectric	35,079	41,907	50,900	42,927	54,407	46,970	44,257	38,025	50,503	48,154
Thermoelectric	178,590	196,123	220,455	253,073	231,248	192,054	199,430	209,485	192,730	195,734
- solid fuels	32,042	24,122	26,272	43,606	39,734	43,201	35,608	32,627	28,470	18,839
- natural gas	39,082	46,442	97,607	149,259	152,737	110,860	126,148	140,349	128,538	141,687
- derivated gases	3,552	3,443	4,252	5,837	4,731	2,220	2,832	2,501	2,520	2,452
- oil products	102,718	120,783	85,878	35,846	9,908	5,620	4,127	4,083	3,289	3,453
- other fuels	1,196	1,333	6,446	18,525	24,138	30,151	30,715	29,924	29,914	29,302
Geothermic	3,222	3,436	4,705	5,325	5,376	6,185	6,289	6,201	6,105	6,075
Eolic and Photovoltaic	0	14	569	2,347	11,032	37,786	39,793	42,120	40,370	43,891
<b>Total</b>	<b>216,891</b>	<b>241,480</b>	<b>276,629</b>	<b>303,672</b>	<b>302,062</b>	<b>282,994</b>	<b>289,769</b>	<b>295,830</b>	<b>289,709</b>	<b>293,853</b>

Source: TERNA

More in general, the share of the total energy consumption by primary sources in the period 1990- 2019, reported in Table 3.3, shows an evident change from oil products and solid fuels to natural gas and renewable while the share of consumption of electricity is variable and driven by the market.

**Table 3.3 Total energy consumptions by primary sources 1990-2019 (%)**

Sources	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
	%									
renewable	0.7	0.9	1.1	2.0	4.3	8.8	8.7	10.5	10.4	10.6
solid fuels	9.6	7.9	6.9	8.6	8.0	8.0	7.2	5.9	5.5	4.2
natural gas	23.7	25.7	31.4	36.0	36.2	35.8	37.9	38.9	38.2	39.5
crude oil	56.2	54.9	49.5	43.1	38.5	36.7	35.8	35.0	35.1	35.0
primary electricity	9.8	10.5	11.1	10.3	13.1	10.8	10.3	9.8	10.8	10.7

Source: Ministry of Economic Development

Further analysis on the electricity generation time series and CO<sub>2</sub> emission factors are available at the following web address: <http://www.sinanet.isprambiente.it/it/sia-ispra/serie-storiche-emissioni/fattori-di-emissione-per-la-produzione-ed-il-consumo-di-energia-elettrica-in-italia/view>.

### Recalculations

In 2015 submission, recalculations regarded the whole sector due to the application of the IPCC 2006 Guidelines which provide new default emission and oxidation factors for all the fuels. In particular, in the Guidelines (IPCC, 2006) oxidation factors are supposed to be equal to 1 for all the fuels. Time series have been reconstructed for all the fuels taking in account the default values proposed by the Guidelines and national circumstances. In Annex 6 more detailed information is provided especially with regard to time series of country specific CO<sub>2</sub> emission factors.

In 2021 submission some recalculations occurred as in the following.

CO<sub>2</sub> emission factors have been slightly revised from 2005 for different fuels because of the update in atomic weights for the elements involved in the calculation of the carbon content in the natural gas (Hydrogen, Carbon, Oxygen, etc.). The emission factor for natural gas has been updated for the whole time series because of the update of the average content of CH<sub>4</sub> and CO<sub>2</sub> in the national natural gas mix due to an error which has been fixed. Updated emission factors are provided in Annex 6.

In the fugitive sector, the most relevant recalculation, that affects the whole time series, is the introduction of fugitive emissions from geothermal energy extraction. Recalculations affected emission estimates of the sector since 1990.

Emission time series from 2005 to 2018 of aviation has been updated according to EUROCONTROL updated figures resulting in recalculation less than 0.5% in sectoral emissions. EUROCONTROL adopted changes on aircraft engine classifications and they were adopted on the whole time series 2005-2019 to ensure consistency. In 2021 submission the historical series has been revised mainly as a result of the upgrade of Copert model version used (from version 5.2.2 in last submission to 5.4.36 in submission 2021), which resulted in various methodological updates. The change of the version was also the chance for a general revision of input data and parameters. In particular, as regards consumptions, in 2006 and 2007, biodiesel consumptions values have been revised upwards according to a different Ministry of Economic Development data source so that road transport consumptions historical series is more consistent than previously; natural gas consumption values have been updated according to revisions applied to parameters considered in the calculation. Detailed information is reported in paragraph 3.5.3.

Waste fuel consumption for commercial heating activity data has been updated from 2016 because of the update of activity data for some industrial waste plants. Detailed information is reported in paragraph 3.6.

Recalculations affected the whole time series 1990-2018 for all gases.

The following table shows the percentage differences between the 2021 and 2020 submissions for the total energy sector and by gas.

Recalculation resulted for the energy sector in an increase of GHG emissions in 1990 of 0.4% and in 2018 of 0.5%.

**Table 3.4 Emission recalculations in the energy sector 1990-2018 (%)**

Year	GHG	CO2	CH4	N2O
1990	0.42	0.38	1.67	0.42
1991	0.41	0.38	1.62	0.39
1992	0.40	0.36	1.76	0.38
1993	0.39	0.35	1.88	0.33
1994	0.34	0.30	1.79	0.32
1995	0.39	0.36	1.84	0.43
1996	0.46	0.42	2.06	0.51
1997	0.45	0.41	2.13	0.43
1998	0.49	0.44	2.28	0.41
1999	0.48	0.43	2.44	0.55
2000	0.51	0.47	2.73	-0.27
2001	0.48	0.44	2.74	-0.29
2002	0.44	0.40	2.93	-0.39
2003	0.44	0.39	3.23	-0.36
2004	0.48	0.42	3.52	0.60
2005	0.47	0.48	3.58	-5.15
2006	0.40	0.39	3.94	-4.08
2007	0.71	0.64	4.14	0.34
2008	0.67	0.60	3.94	0.41
2009	0.61	0.54	4.02	0.52
2010	0.68	0.61	3.86	0.74
2011	0.64	0.56	4.29	0.74
2012	0.57	0.50	3.46	0.79
2013	0.73	0.65	3.74	0.69
2014	0.61	0.52	4.07	0.76
2015	0.49	0.36	5.89	0.73
2016	0.59	0.44	6.82	0.81
2017	0.57	0.41	6.88	0.68
2018	0.47	0.30	8.02	1.01

Source: ISPRA elaborations

### Key categories

Key category analysis, for the years 1990 and 2019, identified 23 categories at level or trend assessment with Approach 1 and Approach 2 in the energy related emissions.

In the case of the energy sector in Italy, a sector by sector analysis instead of a source by source analysis will better illustrate the accuracy and reliability of the emission data, given the interconnection between the underlying data of most key categories.

In the following box, key categories for 2019 are listed, making reference to the section of the text where they are quoted.

#### Key-categories identification in the energy sector with the IPCC Approach 1 and Approach 2 for 2019

KEY CATEGORIES	without LULUCF	with LULUCF	Relevant paragraphs	Notes
1 Transport - CO <sub>2</sub> Road transportation	L,T	L,T	3.5.3	Tables 3.21-3.29
2 Other sectors - CO <sub>2</sub> commercial, residential, agriculture gaseous fuels	L,T	L,T	3.6	Tables 3.32-3.35
3 Energy industries - CO <sub>2</sub> solid fuels	L,T	L,T	3.3	Tables 3.6-3.9
4 Energy industries - CO <sub>2</sub> gaseous fuels	L,T	L,T	3.3	Tables 3.6-3.9
5 Manufacturing industries and construction - CO <sub>2</sub> gaseous fuels	L,T	L,T	3.4	Tables 3.10-3.13
6 Energy industries - CO <sub>2</sub> liquid fuels	L,T	L,T	3.3	Tables 3.6-3.9

KEY CATEGORIES	without LULUCF	with LULUCF	Relevant paragraphs	Notes
7 Other sectors - CO <sub>2</sub> commercial, residential, agriculture liquid fuels	L,T	L,T	3.9	Tables 3.32-3.35
8 Manufacturing industries and construction - CO <sub>2</sub> liquid fuels	L,T	L1,T	3.4	Tables 3.10-3.13
9 Fugitive - CH <sub>4</sub> Oil and natural gas - Natural gas	L,T	L,T	3.9	Tables 3.40-3.46
10 Other sectors - CH <sub>4</sub> commercial, residential, agriculture biomass	L,T	L,T	3.6	Tables 3.32-3.35
11 Manufacturing industries and construction - CO <sub>2</sub> solid fuels	L1,T	L1,T	3.4	Tables 3.10-3.13
12 Other sectors - CO <sub>2</sub> commercial, residential, agriculture other fossil fuels	L1,T	L1,T	3.6	Tables 3.32-3.35
13 Other sectors - N <sub>2</sub> O commercial, residential, agriculture biomass	L2,T	L2,T	3.6	Tables 3.32-3.35
14 Transport - CO <sub>2</sub> Waterborne navigation	L1	L1	3.5.4	Table 3.30
15 Transport - CO <sub>2</sub> Civil Aviation	L1,T1	L1,T1	3.5.1	Tables 3.15-3.19
16 Fugitive - CO <sub>2</sub> Oil and natural gas - Oil	L1	L1	3.9	Tables 3.40-3.46
17 Other sectors - N <sub>2</sub> O commercial, residential, agriculture liquid fuels	L2		3.6	Tables 3.32-3.35
18 Manufacturing industries and construction - N <sub>2</sub> O liquid fuels	T2		3.4	Tables 3.10-3.13
19 Other sectors - CO <sub>2</sub> commercial, residential, agriculture solid fuels	T1	T1	3.6	Tables 3.32-3.35
20 Transport - CH <sub>4</sub> Road transportation	T2		3.5.3	Tables 3.21-3.29
21 Fugitive - CO <sub>2</sub> Oil and natural gas – Venting and flaring	T2		3.9	Tables 3.40-3.46
22 Fugitive - CH <sub>4</sub> Oil and natural gas - Other - flaring in refineries	L2, T2		3.9	Tables 3.40-3.46
23 Fugitive - CO <sub>2</sub> Oil and natural gas - Other - flaring in refineries	T2		3.9	Tables 3.40-3.46

With reference to the box, fourteen key categories (n. 2-8, 10-13, 17-18, and 19) are linked to stationary combustion and to the same set of energy data: the energy sector CRF Table 1.A.1, the industrial sector, Table 1.A.2 and the civil sector Tables 1.A.4a and 1.A.4b.

Ten out of fourteen key categories refer to CO<sub>2</sub> emissions, two categories refer to CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from the use of biomass in the residential sector, the other two categories refer to N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from liquid fuels in manufacturing and other sectors.

All these sectors refer to the national energy balance (MSE, several years [a]) for the basic energy data and the distribution among various subsectors, even if more accurate data for the electricity production sector can be found in TERNA publications (TERNA, several years). Evolution of energy consumptions/emissions is linked to the activity data of each sector; see paragraph 3.3, 3.4 and 3.6 and Annex 2 for the detailed analysis of those sectors.

Electricity production is the most “dynamic” sector and the energy emissions trend, for CO<sub>2</sub>, N<sub>2</sub>O and CH<sub>4</sub>, is mainly driven by the thermoelectric production, see Tables A2.1 and A2.4 for more details.

In the following table emissions in kt of CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent for stationary combustion key categories at level assessment are summarized.

From 1990 to 2019, an increase in use of natural gas instead of fuel oil and gas oil in stationary combustion plants is observed; it results in a decrease of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from combustion of liquid fuels and an increase of emissions from gaseous fuels used in the different sectors. Coal and coke for residential heating has been banned and reduced to 0.

The increase of CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from other sector reflects the increase of the use of biomass for residential heating.

**Table 3.5 Stationary combustion, GHG emissions in 1990 and 2019 (kt CO<sub>2</sub> eq)**

	1990	2019
Energy industries - CO <sub>2</sub> liquid fuels	81,197	15,678
Energy industries - CO <sub>2</sub> solid fuels	38,647	21,699
Other sectors - CO <sub>2</sub> commercial, residential, agriculture liquid fuels	38,274	14,338
Other sectors - CO <sub>2</sub> commercial, residential, agriculture gaseous fuels	36,338	56,360
Manufacturing industries and construction - CO <sub>2</sub> liquid fuels	32,805	9,084
Manufacturing industries and construction - CO <sub>2</sub> gaseous fuels	32,234	32,109
Manufacturing industries and construction - CO <sub>2</sub> solid fuels	25,732	7,096
Energy industries - CO <sub>2</sub> gaseous fuels	16,954	53,771
Other sectors - CH <sub>4</sub> commercial, residential, agriculture biomass	996	2,235
Other sectors - N <sub>2</sub> O commercial, residential, agriculture liquid fuels	996	805
Manufacturing industries and construction - N <sub>2</sub> O liquid fuels	926	397
Other sectors - CO <sub>2</sub> commercial, residential, agriculture solid fuels	899	0
Other sectors - N <sub>2</sub> O commercial, residential, agriculture biomass	531	1,199
Other sectors - CO <sub>2</sub> commercial, residential, agriculture other fossil fuels	530	6,004

Source: ISPRA elaborations

Another group of key categories (n. 1, 14, 15 and 20) referred to the transport sector, with basic total energy consumption reported in the national energy balance and then subdivided in the different subsectors with activity data taken from various statistical sources; see paragraph 3.5, transport, for an accurate analysis of these key sources. This sector also shows a remarkable increase in emissions in the '90s, in particular CO<sub>2</sub> from air transport and road transport, as can be seen in Table 3.19 and Table 3.28, respectively. In the last years CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from road transport started to decrease as a consequence of the economical crisis and the reduction of the average fuel consumption per kilometre of the new vehicles. The trend of N<sub>2</sub>O and CH<sub>4</sub> emissions is linked to technological changes occurred in the period.

Finally, the last five key categories (n. 9, 16, 21, 22 and 23) refer to oil and gas operations. For this sector basic overall production data are reported in the national balance but emissions are calculated with more accurate data published or delivered to ISPRA by the relevant operators, see paragraph 3.9.

Most of the categories described are also key categories for the years 1990 and 2019 taking into account LULUCF emissions and removals.

## 3.2 Methodology description

Emissions are calculated by the equation:

$$E(p,s,f) = A(s,f) \times e(p,s,f)$$

where

$E(p,s,f)$  = Emission of pollutant  $p$  from source  $s$  from fuel  $f$  (kg)

$A(s,f)$  = Consumption of fuel  $f$  by source  $s$  (TJ-t)

$e(p,s,f)$  = Emission factor of pollutant  $p$  from source  $s$  from fuel  $f$  (kg/TJ-kg/t)

The fuels covered are listed in Table A2.2 in Annex 2, though not all fuels occur in all sources. Sector specific tables specify the emission factors used.

Emission factors are expressed in terms of kg pollutant/ TJ based on the net calorific value of the fuel.

The carbon factors used are based on national sources and are appropriate for Italy. Most of the CO<sub>2</sub> emission factors have been crosschecked with the results of specific studies that evaluate the carbon content of the imported/produced fossil fuels at national level. A comparison of the current national factors with the IPCC ones has been carried out; the results suggest quite limited variations in liquid fuels and some differences in natural gas, explained by basic hydrocarbon composition, and in solid fuels.

Monitoring of the carbon content of the fuels nationally used is an ongoing activity at ISPRA. The principle is to analyse regularly the chemical composition of the used fuel or relevant activity statistics, to estimate the carbon content and the emission factor. National emission factors are reported in Table 3.12 and Table 3.21. The specific procedure followed for each primary fuel (natural gas, oil, coal) is reported in Annex 6.

In response to the review process of the Initial report of the Kyoto Protocol, N<sub>2</sub>O and CH<sub>4</sub> stationary combustion emission factors were revised, in the 2006 submission, for the whole time series taking into account default IPCC (IPCC, 1997; IPCC, 2000) and CORINAIR emission factors (EMEP/CORINAIR, 2007). Then the emission factors have been compared also with those reported in the 2006 IPCC Guidelines where the default ones are more or less the same of those available in the IPCC 1996 guidelines. In the following table the comparison at fuel level is provided.

EF (g/GJ)	CH4						N2O							
	IPCC 1996	IPCC 2006	EMEP/CORINAIR	expert Judgement	Emission Inventory electricity	Emission Inventory industry	IPCC 1996	IPCC 2006	IPCC 2006 upper level	EMEP/CORINAIR	EMEP/CORINAIR industry with contact	expert Judgement	Emission Inventory electricity	Emission Inventory industry
coal	1	1	1.5 - 15	2.4	1.5	1.5	1.4	1.5	5	5.0 - 30	3.0 - 12.0	1.3 - 7.5	7	1.4
natural gas	1	1	0.3 - 4	1.0 - 3	1.5	1	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.1 - 3	1.0 - 3.0	0.09 - 0.85	1.5	1.5
fuel oil	3	3	0.1 - 10	3	3	3	0.6	0.6	2	1.4 - 14.8	2.0 - 15.0	2.6 - 3.3	2.6	1.4
gasoil/orimulsion		3	0.1 - 8		1.5	0.1		0.6	2	0.6 - 14				
LPG		1	1 - 2.5		1	1		0.1		1.0 - 14			1.4	1.4
petcoke		3			1.5	1.5		0.6		1.4 - 14	3.0 - 14.0		1.4	1.4
wood	30	30	1.0 - 40		30	28	4	4		4.3	4.0 - 14.0		14	14
biomass/waste	30	30	4.0 - 40		5	5	4	4		4			9	9

The emission factors should apply for all years provided there is no change in the carbon content of fuel over time. There are exceptions to this rule:

- transportation fuels have shown a significant variation around the year 2000 due to the reformulation of gasoline and diesel to comply with the EU directive, see Table 3.21;
- the most important imported fuels, natural gas, fuel oil and coal show variations of carbon content from year to year, due to changes in the origin of imported fuel supply; a methodology has been set up to evaluate annually the carbon content of the average fuel used in Italy, see Annex 6 for details;
- derived gases produced in refineries, as petcoke, refinery gas and synthesis gas from heavy residual fuel, in iron and steel integrated plants, as coke oven gas, blast furnaces gas and oxygen converter gas, and in chemical and petrochemical plants have been calculated from 2005 on the basis of the analysis of information collected by the plants in the framework of EU ETS, see Annex 6 for details.

The activity statistics used to calculate emissions are fuel consumptions provided annually by the Ministry of Economic Development (MSE) in the National Energy Balance (MSE, several years [a]), by TERNA (TERNA, several years) for the power sector and some additional data sources to characterise the technologies used at sectoral level, quoted in the relevant sections.

Activity data collected in the framework of the EU ETS scheme do not cover the overall energy sector, whereas the official statistics available at national level, such as the National Energy Balance (BEN) and the energy production and consumption statistics supplied by TERNA, provide the complete basic data needed for the emission inventory.

Italian energy statistics are mainly based on the National Energy Balance. The report is reliable, by international standards, and it may be useful to summarize its main features:

- it is a balance, every year professional people carry out the exercise balancing final consumption data with import-export information;
- the balance is made on the energy value of energy carriers, taking into account transformations that may occur in the energy industries (refineries, coke plants, electricity production);
- data are collected regularly by the Ministry of Economic Development, on a monthly basis, from industrial subjects;
- oil products, natural gas and electricity used by industry, civil or transport sectors are taxed with excise duties linked to the physical quantities of the energy carriers; excise duties are differentiated in products and final consumption sectors (i.e. diesel oil for industrial use pays duties lower than for transportation use and higher than for electricity production; even bunker fuels have a specific registration paper that state that they are sold without excise duties);
- concerning energy consumption information, this scheme produces highly reliable data: BEN is based on registered quantities of energy consumption and not on estimates; uncertainties may be present in the effective final destination of the product but total quantities are reliable;
- coal is an exception to this rule, it is not subject to excise duties; consumption information is estimated; anyway, it is nearly all imported and a limited number of operators use it and the Ministry of Economic Development monitors all of them on a monthly basis.

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The energy balances of fuels used in Italy, published by the Ministry of Economic Development (MSE, several years [a]), compare total supply based on production, exports, imports, stock changes and known losses with the total demand; the difference between total supply and demand is reported as 'statistical difference'. In Annex 5, 2019 data communicated by Italy to the Joint Questionnaire OECD/IEA/EUROSTAT in the format revisited by EUROSTAT are reported, while the full time series is available on website: <http://dgerm.sviluppoeconomico.gov.it/dgerm/ben.asp>. Some differences between data communicated to the international organizations and EUROSTAT publication have been observed and are under investigation; they should mainly be due to the use of default instead of country specific energy conversion factors and different classification criteria of fuels.

Data submitted by the Ministry of Economic Development to the Joint Questionnaire IEA/OECD/EUROSTAT have been used for solid, liquid and gaseous fuel consumptions. At the time it was not possible to reconstruct the entire time series at category level and data from national energy balance (BEN) have been also used for this purpose. Moreover, the complete use of the energy data provided by the MSE to the Joint Questionnaire is planned in substitution, as possible, of the national energy balances.

Some inconsistencies have been found in data communicated at Eurostat and referring to the ninety years, especially in the sectoral distribution of fuels; in these cases, the information already available in the national energy balances has been maintained because of considered more reliable and consistent in the time series.

In Annex 5, 2019 data derived by the Joint Questionnaire OECD/IEA/EUROSTAT are reported in the format revisited by EUROSTAT. Some differences between data communicated to the international organizations and EUROSTAT publication have been observed and are mainly due to the use of default instead of country specific energy conversion factors and different classification criteria of fuels. In the 2020 submission data submitted by the Ministry of Economic Development to the Joint Questionnaire IEA/OECD/EUROSTAT have been used reconstructing the time series for all the fuels as planned in the previous submission.

Additionally, to fossil fuel, the Joint Questionnaire reports commercial wood and straw combustion estimates for energy use, biodiesel and biogas. The estimate of GHG emissions are based on these data and on other estimates (ENEA, several years) for non commercial wood use. Carbon dioxide emissions from biomass combustion are not included in the national total as suggested in the IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006) but emissions of other GHGs and other pollutants are included. CORINAIR methodology (EMEP/EEA, 2016) includes emissions from the combustion of wood in the industrial and domestic sectors as well as the combustion of biomass in agriculture.

The inventory includes also emissions from the combustion of lubricants based on data collected from waste oil recyclers and quoted in the energy balance; from 2002 onwards, this estimate is included in the column "Refinery feedstock", row "Productions" (MSE, several years [a]) Primary fuels. From 2001 onwards, it has been necessary to use also these quantities to calculate emissions in the reference approach, so as to minimize differences with sectoral approach. From 2001, the energy balances prepared by MSE include those quantities in the input while estimating final consumption; this procedure summarizes a complex stock change reporting by operators. According to the IPCC 2006 Guidelines (IPCC, 2006), in the emission inventory, in the energy sector are reported only emissions from the combustion of lubricants in two strokes engines while the other emissions are reported in the IPPU sector.

### **3.3 Energy industries**

A detailed description of the methodology used to estimate greenhouse gas emissions from electricity production under 1.A.1.a, 1.A.1.b and 1.A.1.c is reported in Annex 2. Basic data, methodology and emission factors used to estimate emissions are derived from the same sources. In the following sub-paragraphs additional information on the specific categories are supplied.

In this category, gaseous fuels refer to natural gas while solid fuels mainly to coal used to produce energy and derived gases used in the integrated iron and steel plants; liquid fuels include residual oil fuel consumption used for energy production in power plants and different fuels used in refineries. The CO<sub>2</sub> implied emission factor trend for the sector is driven by the liquid fuel consumption in the petroleum refining industry (95% of the total of liquid) where many fuels, with very different emission factors, are used, such as refinery gas, that have an average emission factor value equal to 56.5 t/TJ, and petroleum coke with an average emission factor equal to 96.9 t/TJ. In the last years, due also to the economical crisis, a reduction in the consumption of synthesis gas from heavy residual fuels (in 2019 the average emission factors t CO<sub>2</sub>/TJ values are about 79.9 and 104.0 for heavy residual fuels and synthesis gas respectively) is observed, resulting in the interannual variations. Emission factors time series for these fuels are reported in Annex 6.

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### 3.3.1 Public Electricity and Heat Production

#### 3.3.1.1 Source category description

This paragraph refers to the main electricity producers that produce electricity for the national grid. From 1998 onwards, the expansion of the industrial cogeneration of electricity and the split of the national monopoly have transformed many industrial producers into “independent producers”, regularly supplying the national grid. These producers account in 2019 for 92.4% of all electricity produced with combustion processes in Italy (TERNA, several years).

No data on consumption/emissions from heat production is reported in this section. In Italy, only limited data do exist about producers working for district heating grids; most of the cogenerated heat is produced and used on the same site by industrial operators. Therefore, data on heat production is not reported here but in Table 1.A(a)s2 for industry and Table 1.A(a)s4 for district heating. In TERNA yearly publication, heat cogenerated while producing electricity is reported separately. Unfortunately, no details are reported on the final use of cogenerated heat, so it can be used in the inventory preparation just to cross check the total fuel amount with other sources as EU ETS or the consumption of fuels in the industry reported in BEN.

Under biomass, wood and charcoal consumption and relevant emissions are reported until 2007; CO<sub>2</sub> emission factor is shown in Table 3.12 while CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emission factors are equal to 30 g/GJ and 4 g/GJ respectively. From 2008 also bioliquid fuel is used and included under biomass (CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emission factors equal to 12 g/GJ and 2 g/GJ respectively), resulting in the decrease of the average emission factor.

Other fuels subcategory refer mainly to fuel consumptions of other liquid, solid and gaseous fuels such as industrial wastes (89.8 tCO<sub>2</sub>/TJ), that are more than half of the total TJ of the subcategory, as plastics, rubber, and solvents, synthesis gas from heavy residual (104.0 tCO<sub>2</sub>/TJ in 2019) and other liquid fuels (76.6 tCO<sub>2</sub>/TJ in 2019); the average CO<sub>2</sub> emission factor has been calculated for the whole time series and it is equal to 95.2 t/TJ in 2019.

CO<sub>2</sub> implied emission factor trend of liquid fuels for this category is driven by the mix of high and low sulphur fuel oil consumptions that is changed in the years as a consequence of the adoption of air quality European Directives introducing air pollutants ceilings at the stacks, and the policies at national level which established stringent ceiling for new and old plants and a timing scheduled for their implementation. The CH<sub>4</sub> implied emission factor is the weighted average of gasoil and residual oil emission factors equal to 1.5 g/GJ and 3 g/GJ respectively. The general decreasing trend is due to the minor use of fuel oil for energy production, at the minimum in the last years, while the amount of gasoil, which is related to the start up of power plants and to the gasoil used in stationary engines, has a more stable trend.

#### 3.3.1.2 Methodological issues

The data source on fuel consumption is the annual report “Statistical data on electricity production and power plants in Italy” (“Dati statistici sugli impianti e la produzione di energia elettrica in Italia”), edited from 1999 by the Italian Independent System Operator (TERNA, several years). The reports refer to the total of producers and the estimate of the part belonging to public electricity production is made by the inventory team on the basis of detailed electricity production statistics by industrial operators. Data on total electricity production for the year 2019 are reported in Annex 2. For the time series, see previous NIR reports. The emission factors used are listed in Table 3.12.

Another source of information is the National Energy Balance (MSE, several years [a]), which contains data on the total electricity producing sector. The data of the national energy balance (BEN) are also used to address the statistical survey of international organizations, OECD, IEA and Eurostat. Both BEN and TERNA publications could be used for the inventory preparation, as they are part of the national statistical system and published regularly.

A detailed analysis of both sources is reported in Annex 2. TERNA data appears to be more suitable for inventory preparation. From year 2005 onwards a valuable source of information is given by the reports prepared for each industrial installation subject to EU ETS scheme. These reports are prepared by independent qualified verifiers and concern the CO<sub>2</sub> emissions, emission factors and activity data, including fuel used. ISPRA receives copy of the reports from the competent authority (Ministry of Environment) and has been able to extract the information relative to electricity production. The information available is very useful but not fully covering the electricity production sector or the public electricity production. The EU ETS does not include all installations, only those above 20 MWe, it is made on a point source basis so the data include

electricity and heat production while the corresponding data from TERNA, concerning only the fuel used for electricity production, are commercially sensitive, confidential and they are not available to the inventory team. Anyway, the comparison of data collected by TERNA with those submitted to the EU ETS allows identifying possible discrepancies in the different datasets and thus providing the Ministry of Economic Development experts with useful suggestions to improve the energy balance.

For verification purposes a rather complex calculation sheet has been used to estimate CO<sub>2</sub> emissions, and also N<sub>2</sub>O and CH<sub>4</sub> emissions (APAT, 2003[a]). The data sheet summarizes all plants existing in Italy divided by technology, about 60 typologies, and type of fuel used; the calculation sheet is a model of the national power system. The model is aimed at estimating the emissions of pollutants different from CO<sub>2</sub> that are technology dependent. For each year a run has estimated the fuel consumed by each plant type, the pollutant emissions and GHG emissions. The model has many possible outputs, some of which are built up in order to reproduce the data available from statistical source. The model has been revised every year, till 2017, to mirror the changes occurred in the power plants.

Moreover, the model has also been able to estimate the energy/emissions data related to the electricity produced and used on site by the main industrial producers. These data are reported in the other energy industries, Tables 1.A.1.b and 1.A.1.c, and in the industrial sector section, Tables 1.A.2. More detailed information is supplied in Annex 2.

In Table 3.6, fuel consumptions and emissions of 1.A.1.a category are reported for the time series. Table 3.6 shows a decrease in fuel consumption and overall decrease in GHG emissions. However, a slower increase is observed in CH<sub>4</sub> emissions due to the increase in use of natural gas and biomass.

**Table 3.6 Public electricity and heat production: Energy data (TJ) and GHG emissions, 1990-2019**

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Fuel consumption (TJ)	1,441,741	1,472,753	1,554,810	1,709,208	1,480,778	1,205,336	1,205,807	1,260,762	1,147,923	1,146,779
GHG (Gg)	109,072	110,730	109,546	115,849	97,553	79,339	76,678	78,506	70,560	67,257
CO <sub>2</sub> (Gg)	108,670	110,335	109,193	115,445	97,195	78,922	76,289	78,128	70,207	66,939
CH <sub>4</sub> (Gg)	3.8	4.0	3.6	4.0	3.6	4.2	4.3	4.3	4.1	4.1
N <sub>2</sub> O (Gg)	1.0	1.0	0.9	1.0	0.9	1.0	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.7

*Source: ISPRA elaborations*

In 2019, consumption is fairly in line with the previous year's data. Moreover, it has been possible to observe a shift from coal to natural gas for energy production in the last years.

As the main data source refers to the whole electricity production sector, the uncertainty and time-series consistency, source-specific QA/QC and verification, recalculations and planned improvements are all addressed in Annex 2.

### 3.3.2 Refineries

#### 3.3.2.1 Source category description

This subsector covers the energy emissions from the national refineries (14 plants in 2019), including the energy used to generate electricity for internal use and exported to the national grid by power plants that directly use off-gases or other residues of the refineries. These power plants are generally owned by other companies but are located inside the refinery premises or just sideway. In 2019 the power plants included in this source category have generated 6.9% of all electricity produced with combustion processes in Italy.

The energy consumption and emissions are reported in CRF Table 1.A.1.b. Parts of refinery losses, flares, are reported in CRF Table 1.B.2.a and c, using IPCC emission factors.

#### 3.3.2.2 Methodological issues

The consumption data used for refineries come from BEN (MSE, several years [a]); the same data are also reported by Unione Petrolifera, the industrial category association (UP, several years). From 2005 onwards, also the EU ETS "verified reports" cover almost the entire sector, for energy consumptions, combustion emissions and process emissions. Other sources of information are the yearly reporting obligations for the

large combustion plants under European Directive (LCP) and the E-PRTR Regulation; both data collections include most of refineries but not all the emission sources.

The available data in BEN specify the quantities of refinery gas, petroleum coke and other liquid fuels (MSE, several years [a]).

For the part of the energy and related emissions due to the power plants, the source is TERNA (see Annex 2 for further details). The quota of total energy consumption from electricity production included in category 1.A.1.b is estimated by the electricity production model on the basis of fuels used and plant location.

All the fuel used in boilers and processes, the refinery “losses” and the reported losses of crude oil and other fuels (that are mostly due to statistical discrepancies) are considered to calculate emissions. Fuel lost in the distribution network is accounted for here and not in the individual end use sector. From 2002 particular attention has been paid to avoid double counting of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions checking if the refinery reports of emissions already include losses in their energy balances. IPCC Tier 2 emission factors and national emission factors are used as reported in Table 3.12.

From 2008, TERNA modified the detailed table of fuel consumption and related energy produced introducing a more complete list of fuels. Aim of the change was to revise the consumption values of waste fuels which are very important for estimating the contribution of renewable to electricity production and consequently greenhouse gases.

In Table 3.7, a sample calculation for the year 2019 is reported, with energy and emission data.

**Table 3.7 Refineries, CO<sub>2</sub> emission calculation, year 2019**

	Consumption, TJ				CO <sub>2</sub> emissions, Gg			
	Petroleum coke	Ref. gas	Liquid fuels	Natural gas	Petroleum coke	Ref. gas	Liquid fuels	Natural gas
REFINERIES								
energy		31,536	51,166	73,292		1,781	4,420	4,224
furnaces	26,736	97,066	6,846		2,592	5,481	489	
TOTAL				286,642				18,986

Source: ISPRA elaborations

From 2005, the weighted average of CO<sub>2</sub> emission factor reported by operators in the context of the EU ETS scheme is used for petroleum coke, refinery gas and synthesis gas from heavy residual fuels. The trend of the implied emission factor is driven by the mix of the fuels used in the sector. The main fuels used are refinery gases, fuel oil and petroleum coke, which have very different emission factors, and every year their amount used changes resulting in an annual variation of the IEF. The increase in the last years, with respect to the nineties, of the consumption of fuels with higher carbon content, as petroleum coke and synthesis gas obtained from heavy residual fuels, explains the general growth of the IEF for liquid fuel reported in the CRF for this sector.

In the following box, liquid fuel consumptions of 1.A.1.b category disaggregated by fuel are reported.

*Liquid fuel consumptions in petroleum refining (TJ), 1990-2019*

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Refinery gas	119,123	136,305	124,549	153,036	153,739	132,688	116,862	124,126	126,697	128,601
Naphta	218	784	4,441	2,613	3,353	87	0	0	0	0
Pet coke	28,495	28,634	40,623	50,180	49,415	30,094	21,858	29,677	26,376	26,736
Synthesis gas	0	0	36,425	65,021	78,628	61,763	63,282	57,676	58,694	51,009
Fuel oil	76,881	89,310	84,589	75,301	49,275	16,296	31,134	11,230	4,855	3,657
LPG	1,243	1,151	2,026	3,408	2,717	1,704	1,566	3,089	2,471	3,346
Gasoil	43	43	5,338	11,317	897	0	0	0	0	0
Gasoline	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	226,003	256,228	297,992	360,875	338,025	242,632	234,702	225,798	219,093	213,349

### 3.3.2.3 Uncertainty and time-series consistency

The combined uncertainty in CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from refineries is estimated to be about 4.2% in annual emissions; a higher uncertainty, equal to 50.1%, is calculated for CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions because of the uncertainty levels attributed to the related emission factors.

Montecarlo analysis has been carried out to estimate uncertainty of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from stationary combustion of solid, liquid and gaseous fuels emissions, resulting in 5.1%, 3.3% and 5.8%, respectively. Normal distributions were assumed for all the parameters. A summary of the results is reported in Annex 1.

In Table 3.8 GHG emissions from the sector in the years 1990, 1995, 2000, 2005, 2010, 2015-2019 are reported.

**Table 3.8 Refineries, GHG emission time series**

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
CO <sub>2</sub> emissions, Mt	15.8	18.0	22.2	27.9	28.3	20.9	21.3	20.6	19.7	19.0
CH <sub>4</sub> emissions, Gg	0.40	0.46	0.59	0.69	0.69	0.48	0.51	0.45	0.43	0.41
N <sub>2</sub> O emissions, Gg	0.45	0.51	0.60	0.73	0.69	0.50	0.49	0.47	0.46	0.45
Refinery, total, Mt CO <sub>2</sub> eq	16.0	18.1	22.4	28.1	28.5	21.1	21.5	20.8	19.8	19.1

*Source: ISPRA elaborations*

An upward trend in emission levels is observed from 1990 to 2010 explained by the increasing quantities of crude oil processed and the complexity of process used to produce more environmentally friendly transportation fuels. Liquid fuel consumptions have reached a plateau in 2010 and they are now in a downward trend that is expected to continue, due to the reduced quantities of crude oil processed and electricity produced and to the gradual substitution with natural gas fuel consumption.

#### **3.3.2.4 Source-specific QA/QC and verification**

Basic data to estimate emissions have been reported by national energy balance and the national grid administrator. Data collected under other reporting obligations that include refineries (EU ETS, LCP and E-PRTR databases) have been used to cross-check the energy balance data, fuels used and emission factors. Differences and problems have been analysed in details and solved together with Ministry of Economic Development experts, who are in charge of preparing the National Energy Balance.

#### **3.3.2.5 Source-specific recalculations**

CO<sub>2</sub> emission factors have been slightly revised from 2005 for different fuels because of the update in atomic weights for the elements involved in the calculation of the carbon content in the natural gas (Hydrogen, Carbon, Oxygen, etc.).

#### **3.3.2.6 Source-specific planned improvements**

No specific improvements are planned for the next submission.

### **3.3.3 Manufacture of Solid Fuels and Other Energy Industries**

#### **3.3.3.1 Source category description**

In Italy, all the iron and steel plants are integrated, therefore there is no separated reporting for the different part of the process. A few coke and “manufactured gas” producing plants were operating in the early nineties and they have been reported here. Only one small manufactured gas producing plant is still in operation from 2002.

In this section, emissions from power plants, which use coal gases, are also reported. In particular, we refer to the electricity generated in the iron and steel plant sites (using coal gases and other fuels). In 2019 the power plants included in this source category have generated about 1.9% of all electricity produced with combustion processes in Italy.

With regard to the manufacture of other solid fuels, in Italy, charcoal was produced in the traditional way until the sixties while now it is prevalently produced in modern furnaces (e.g with the VMR system) where exhaust gases are collected and recycled to produce the energy for the furnace itself. This system ensures good management of the exhausts and the temperature, so that any waste of energy is prevented, and emissions are kept to a minimum. So CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from the production of charcoal are not accounted for, and the notation key NE is used in the reporting, also considering that the emission factor available in the Revised 1996 IPCC Guidelines, in Table 1-14 vol.3 (IPCC, 1997), refers to production processes in developing countries not

applicable to our country anymore. Moreover, in the IPCC Good Practice Guidance as well as in the IPCC 2006 Guidelines no guidance is supplied for charcoal production.

### 3.3.3.2 Methodological issues

Fuel consumption data for the sector are reported in the BEN (MSE, several years [a]). Fuels used to produce energy are also reported with more detail as for fuel disaggregation level by TERNA (TERNA, several years). From 2005 onwards, also the EU ETS “verifier’s reports” cover almost the entire sector, for energy consumptions, combustion emissions and process emissions. Other sources of information are the yearly reporting obligations for the large combustion plants under European Directive (LCP) and for facilities under the E-PRTR Regulation; both reporting obligations include most of the iron and steel integrated plants and the only coke producing plant but not all the emission sources.

A carbon balance is done, as suggested by the IPCC good practice guidance, to avoid over or under estimation from the sector. In Annex 3 further details on carbon balances of solid fuels and derived gases used are reported.

The high-implied emission factor for solid fuels is due to the large use of derived steel gases and in particular blast furnace gas to produce energy. These gases have been assimilated to the renewable sources and incentives are still provided for their use.

Other fuels are used in co-combustion with coal gases to produce electricity and they are reported by TERNA, see Annex 2. From 2008, natural gas and fuel oil consumptions reported in the CRF for this sector, are those communicated by the operators of the plants included in the sector in the framework of the EU ETS scheme. The consumptions of these fuels, especially for natural gas, are higher than those reported for the previous years. Fuel consumption reported in the sector is subtracted from the total fuel consumption to produce energy, guaranteeing that over and under estimation are avoided.

CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from coke ovens are estimated on the basis of production data to take in account additional volatile emissions due to the specific process. Average emission factors are calculated on the basis of information communicated by the four (three in the last years) plants under the E-PRTR registry.

### 3.3.3.3 Uncertainty and time-series consistency

The combined uncertainty in CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from integrated iron and steel plants is estimated to be about 4.2% in annual emissions; a higher uncertainty, equal to 50.1%, is calculated for CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions on account of the uncertainty levels attributed to the related emission factors.

Montecarlo analysis has been carried out to estimate uncertainty of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from stationary combustion of solid, liquid and gaseous fuels emissions, resulting in 5.1%, 3.3% and 5.8%, respectively. Normal distributions have been assumed for all the parameters. A summary of the results is reported in Annex 1. In Table 3.9 GHG emissions from the sector in the years 1990, 1995, 2000, 2005, 2010, 2015-2019 are reported.

**Table 3.9 Manufacture of solid fuels, GHG emission time series**

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
CO <sub>2</sub> emissions, Mt	12.5	11.6	12.9	15.9	11.4	5.6	6.8	5.8	5.6	5.4
CH <sub>4</sub> emissions, Gg	4.9	3.8	2.4	1.3	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.4
N <sub>2</sub> O emissions, Gg	0.12	0.10	0.09	0.12	0.08	0.04	0.05	0.04	0.04	0.04
Total, Mt CO <sub>2</sub> eq	12.6	11.8	12.9	16.0	11.5	5.6	6.8	5.8	5.7	5.4

Source: ISPRA elaborations

The trend of CO<sub>2</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions is driven by the production trends combined with an increase in energy consumption required by more energy intensive products. In 2009 a strong reduction of emissions is observed due to the effects of the economic recession that in 2010 and 2011 has partially recovered. In 2012 a further drop occurred for the economic crisis and for environmental constrains of the main iron and steel integrated plants that should reduce its productions. In 2015 a drop is still observed (around 1.7 Mt CO<sub>2</sub>) consistently with the production activities reduction of the main iron and steel integrated plants.

The trend of CH<sub>4</sub> emissions is driven by the coke production trend, decreased from 6.4 Mt in 1990 to 1.9 Mt in 2019 and by the renewal of the production plants. In particular, the strong reduction of CH<sub>4</sub> emissions in the last years is the result of the renewal of the coke production plants in Taranto, started in 2005, and the implementation of best available technologies to reduce volatile organic compounds. In 2009, as well as in

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2013, national coke production has reduced of about 40% with respect to the previous year, determining a loss in efficiency of the production plants and an increase of emissions by product unit (IEF) for those years.

#### **3.3.3.4 Source-specific QA/QC and verification**

Basic data to estimate emissions have been reported by national energy balance and the national grid administrator. Data collected under other reporting obligations that include integrated iron and steel plants, such as EU ETS Directive, LCP and E-PRTR databases, have been used to cross-check the energy balance data, fuels used and emission factors. Differences and problems have been analysed in details and solved together with Ministry of Economic Development experts, which are in charge to prepare the National Energy Balance. In particular, in the national PRTR register the integrated plants report every year the CO<sub>2</sub> emitted at each stage of the process, coke production, sinter production and iron and steel production, which result from separate carbon balances calculated in each phase of the production process. Moreover, total CO<sub>2</sub> emissions reported in the E-PRTR by the operators are equal to those reported under the EU ETS scheme.

The detailed analysis and comparison of the different data reported improved the allocation of fuel consumption and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions between 1.A.1.c and 1.A.2.a sectors. From the 2010 submission, in fact, coking coal losses for transformation process and related emissions have been reallocated under 1.A.1.c instead of 1.A.2.a.

#### **3.3.3.5 Source-specific recalculations**

Recalculation occurred because of the review of carbon balance (see Annex 3) made with the goal to improve the coherence with international statistics also used as basic data for GHG projections.

#### **3.3.3.6 Source-specific planned improvements**

No specific improvements are planned for the next submission.

## **3.4 Manufacturing industries and construction**

### **3.4.1 Sector overview**

Included in this category are emissions which originate from energy use in the manufacturing industries included in category 1.A.2. Where emissions are released simultaneously from the production process and from combustion, as in the cement, lime and glass industry, these are estimated separately and included in category 2.A.

All greenhouse gases as well as CO, NO<sub>x</sub>, NMVOC and SO<sub>2</sub> emissions are estimated.

In 2019, energy use in industry account for 14.4% of total national CO<sub>2</sub> emissions, 0.7% of CH<sub>4</sub>, 4.3% of N<sub>2</sub>O. In term of CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent, the manufacturing industry shares 11.9% of total national greenhouse gas emissions. Four key categories have been identified for this sector in 2019, for level and trend assessment, using both the IPCC Approach 1 and Approach 2:

Manufacturing industries and construction - CO<sub>2</sub> gaseous fuels (L, T);

Manufacturing industries and construction - CO<sub>2</sub> solid fuels (L, T);

Manufacturing industries and construction - CO<sub>2</sub> liquid fuels (L1, T);

Manufacturing industries and construction - N<sub>2</sub>O liquid fuels (T2).

All these categories are key categories for 1990 at level assessment, with and without LULUCF, except N<sub>2</sub>O from liquid fuels, which is key category only including the uncertainty estimates.

In the following Table 3.10, GHG emissions connected to the use of fossil fuels, process emissions excluded, are reported for the years 1990, 1995, 2000, 2005, 2010 and 2015-2019. Industrial emissions show oscillations related to economic cycles.

**Table 3.10 Manufacturing industry, GHG emission time series**

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
CO <sub>2</sub> emissions, Gg	90,772	88,969	94,893	90,786	68,900	54,552	53,365	52,136	53,221	48,838
CH <sub>4</sub> emissions, Gg	6.69	6.92	6.01	6.48	5.68	11.21	11.30	11.17	10.97	11.46
N <sub>2</sub> O emissions, Gg	4.49	3.92	4.46	5.02	3.77	2.69	2.55	2.51	2.61	2.51
Industry, total, Gg CO <sub>2</sub> eq	92,278	90,312	96,373	92,444	70,165	55,634	54,407	53,165	54,272	49,872

Source: ISPRA elaborations

In Table 3.11 emissions are reported by pollutant for all the subsectors included in the sector.

**Table 3.11 Trend in greenhouse gas emissions from the manufacturing industry sector, 1990-2019**

GAS/SUBSOURCE	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
<b>CO<sub>2</sub> (Gg)</b>										
1.A.2.a Iron and Steel	25,255	24,201	22,537	19,289	15,708	10,629	11,550	9,832	10,166	9,820
1.A.2.b Non-Ferrous Metals	735	879	1,249	1,176	1,105	999	1,000	1,080	1,140	1,113
1.A.2.c Chemicals	21,428	18,658	18,102	17,240	16,404	11,142	11,139	11,346	11,597	9,073
1.A.2.d Pulp, Paper and Print	3,108	4,185	4,253	5,457	5,148	4,872	4,789	5,027	4,916	4,965
1.A.2.e Food	3,891	5,095	6,282	6,017	4,132	3,455	3,363	3,722	3,531	3,458
1.A.2.f Non-metallic minerals	21,045	17,461	21,407	25,271	18,099	14,007	12,855	11,598	11,899	10,902
1.A.2.g Other	15,310	18,490	21,062	16,338	8,303	9,448	8,669	9,530	9,973	9,507
<b>CH<sub>4</sub> (Mg)</b>										
1.A.2.a Iron and Steel	3,795	4,226	3,093	3,304	2,880	2,062	2,280	1,969	1,803	1,797
1.A.2.b Non-Ferrous Metals	13	15	26	24	19	18	18	19	20	19
1.A.2.c Chemicals	876	725	643	533	542	328	320	320	335	238
1.A.2.d Pulp, Paper and Print	77	93	115	154	92	107	102	108	105	109
1.A.2.e Food	105	127	174	429	731	7,639	7,567	7,717	7,641	8,239
1.A.2.f Non-metallic minerals	1,412	1,276	1,463	1,624	1,197	842	811	824	834	831
1.A.2.g Other	408	461	493	412	219	215	199	219	235	223
<b>N<sub>2</sub>O (Mg)</b>										
1.A.2.a Iron and Steel	411	414	366	396	294	200	218	181	183	177
1.A.2.b Non-Ferrous Metals	13	16	24	23	20	18	18	19	20	19
1.A.2.c Chemicals	404	322	314	317	329	207	193	190	200	133
1.A.2.d Pulp, Paper and Print	64	82	80	102	90	86	83	87	86	87
1.A.2.e Food	52	53	76	87	47	172	167	176	172	180
1.A.2.f Non-metallic minerals	2,644	2,285	2,630	2,986	2,183	1,427	1,352	1,360	1,370	1,368
1.A.2.g Other	906	751	974	1,110	807	579	517	501	576	544

Source: ISPRA elaborations

A general trend of reduction in emissions is observed from 1990 to 2019; some sub sectors reduced sharply (iron and steel, non metallic minerals), other sub sectors (non ferrous metals, pulp and paper) increased their emissions. In 2009 an overall reduction of emissions for all the sectors occurred due to the effects of the economic recession. In 2010 production levels restored for iron and steel, but a further significant drop is noted in 2013 due to environmental constraints of the main integrated iron and steel plant in Italy, located in Taranto, which had to reduce its steel production level. Non metallic minerals emission trend is driven by the cement industry which strongly reduced its production levels in 2009 and further in 2013, in relation to the economic recession and the crisis of building construction sector; a further decrease of this sector is observed in 2016 and 2017. The increasing trend of CH<sub>4</sub> emissions in the last years especially for food industry is driven by the increase of biomass used as a fuel in this sector with a peak in 2014 and in 2019. The decreasing trend of CO<sub>2</sub>

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and N<sub>2</sub>O in the last years is driven by the trend of non-metallic minerals industry emissions due to the reduction trend of cement productions.

### **3.4.2 Source category description**

The category 1.A.2 comprises seven sources: 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, 1.A.2.f Non-metallic minerals, 1.A.2.g Other.

#### *Iron and steel*

The main processes involved in iron and steel production are those related to sinter and blast furnace plants, to basic oxygen and electric arc furnaces and to rolling mills.

Most of emissions are connected to the integrated steel plants, while for the other plants, the main energy source is electricity (accounted for in 1.A.1.a) and the direct use of fossil fuels is limited to heating – re heating of steel in the intermediate part of the process.

There were four integrated steel plants in 1990 that from 2005 are reduced to two, with another plant that still has a limited production of pig iron. Nevertheless, the steel production in integrated plants has not changed significantly in the 1990-2008 period due to an expansion in capacity of the two operating plants. From 2015 only one integrated plant remains in operation. The maximum production was around 11 Mt/y in 1995 and in 2005-2008, with lower values in other years and the lowest of 4.2 Mt in 2019.

It has to be underlined that the integrated steel plants include also the cogeneration of heat and electricity using the recovered “coal gases” from various steps of the process, including steel furnace gas, BOF gas and coke oven gas. All emissions due to the “coal gases” used to produce electricity are included in the electricity grid operator’s yearly reports and are accounted in the category 1.A.1.c. No detailed information is available for the heat produced, so the emissions are included in source category 1.A.2.a.

With the aim to avoid double counting process emissions resulting from the iron and steel subcategory are reported in the industrial processes sector. CH<sub>4</sub> emissions are estimated for each emitting activities according to the classification of activities described in the EMEP/EEA guidebook and consequently allocated at the combustion or industrial processes sector in consideration of the relevant methodological issues. More in details, CH<sub>4</sub> process emissions for pig iron and steel production are already allocated to the industrial processes sector as well as fugitive CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from coke production that are reported under fugitive emissions while CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from the combustion of fuels are allocated to the energy sector.

This subsector is one of the most important of 1.A.2 category and accounts, in 2019, for 19.9% of total 1.A.2 GHG emissions, and 2.4% of total national emissions.

#### *Non-Ferrous Metals*

In Italy, the production of primary aluminium stopped in 2013 (and was 232 Gg in 1990) while secondary aluminium accounts for 350 Gg in 1990 and 698 Gg in 2019. These productions, however, use electricity as the primary energy source so the emissions due to the direct use of fossil fuels are limited.

The sub sector comprises also the production of other non-ferrous metals, both primary and secondary copper, lead, zinc and others; but also those productions have a limited share of emissions. Magnesium production is not occurring. The bulk of emissions are due to foundries that prepare mechanical pieces for the engineering industry or the market, using all kinds of alloys, including aluminium, steel and iron.

#### *Chemicals*

CO<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from chemical and petrochemical plants are included in this sector.

In Italy there are petrochemical plants integrated with a nearby refinery and stand alone plants that get the inputs from the market. Main products are Ethylene, Propylene, Styrene.

In particular, ethylene and propylene are produced in petrochemical industry by steam cracking. Ethylene is used to manufacture ethylene oxide, styrene monomer and polyethylene. Propylene is used to manufacture polypropylene but also acetone and phenol. Styrene, also known as vinyl benzene, is produced on industrial scale by catalytic dehydrogenation of ethyl benzene. Styrene is used in the rubber and plastic industry to manufacture through polymerisation processes such products as polystyrene, ABS, SBR rubber, SBR latex. Except for ethylene oxide, whose production has stopped in 2002, the other productions of the above-mentioned chemicals still occur in Italy. Activity data are stable from 1990 to 2012, with limited yearly variations along the timeseries and a reduction in the last years.

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Chemical industry includes non organic chemicals as chlorine/soda, sulphuric acid, nitric acid, ammonia. A limited production of fertilizers is also present in Italy. From 1990 to 2019 the sum of productions of this source category has greatly reduced: in 2019 it was about a half of the production in 1990.

This source category does include some emissions from the cogeneration of electricity. Due to the transformation of some of those plants in power plants directly connected to the grid, and so reported in category 1.A.1.a, the percentage of the category 1.A.2.c CO<sub>2</sub> emissions due to electricity generation has reduced from 1990 to 2019. This subsector accounts, in 2019, for 18.3% of total 1.A.2 GHG emissions, and 2.2% of total national emissions.

#### *Pulp, Paper and Print*

Emissions from the manufacturing of paper are included in this source category. In Italy the manufacture of virgin paper pulp is rather limited, with a production feeding less than 5% of the paper produced in 2019. Most of the pulp was imported in 1990, while in 2019 half of the pulp used is produced locally from recycled paper. The paper production is expanding and activity data (total paper produced) were 6.2 Mt in 1990 and 8.9 Mt in 2019. The printing industry represents a minor part of the source category emissions.

This source category includes also the emissions from the cogeneration of electricity. Due to the transformation of some of those plants in power plants directly connected to the grid (and so reported in category 1.A.1.a), the percentage of the category 1.A.2.d CO<sub>2</sub> emissions due to electricity generation has strongly reduced from 1990 to 2019.

#### *Food*

Emissions from the food production are included in this source category. In Italy the food production industry is expanding. A comprehensive activity data for this sector is not available; more in detail while energy data are those reported in the national energy balance for this sector, information at subsector and technological level is not available and only few plants are part of the ETS; energy fuel consumption was estimated to be 62 PJ in 1990 and 113 PJ in 2019, about half of energy consumptions derives from biomass. Value added at constant prices has increased of 0.6% per years from 1990 to 2003 and almost constant from 2004.

This source category also includes emissions from the cogeneration of electricity. Due to the transformation of those plants in power plants directly connected to the grid, and so reported in category 1.A.1.a, the percentage of the category 1.A.2.e CO<sub>2</sub> emissions due to electricity generation has reduced from 1990 to 2019.

#### *Non-metallic minerals*

This sector, which refers to construction materials, is quite significant in terms of emissions due to the energy intensity of the processes involved. Construction materials subsector includes the production of cement, lime, bricks, tiles and glass. It comprises thousands of small and medium size enterprises, with only few large operators, mainly connected to cement production. Some of the production is also exported. The description of the process used to produce cement, lime and glass is reported in chapter 4, industrial processes.

The fabrication of bricks is a rather standard practice in most countries and does not need additional description; fossil source is mainly natural gas. A peculiar national circumstance is the fabrication of tiles, in which are involved many specialised “industrial districts” where many different independent small size enterprises are able to manufacture world level products for both quality and style, exported everywhere. Generally speaking, the processes implemented are efficient with reference to the average European level and use mostly natural gas as the main fossil source since the year 2000.

The activity data of industries oriented to so different markets are, of course, peculiar to each subsector and it is difficult to identify a common trend. The productions of cement, lime and glass are the most relevant from the emissions point of view.

This subsector is the most important of 1.A.2 category and accounts, in 2019, for 22.7% of total 1.A.2 GHG emissions, and 2.7% of total national emissions.

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### *Other*

This sector comprises emissions from many different industrial subsectors, some of which are quite significant in Italy in terms of both value added and export capacity.

In particular, engineering sectors (vehicles and machines manufacturing) is the main industrial sub sector in terms of value added and revenues from export and textiles was the second subsector up to year 2000.

The remaining “other industries” include furniture and other various “made in Italy” products that produce not negligible amounts of emissions.

This source category includes also emissions from the cogeneration of electricity. Due to the transformation of some of those plants in power plants directly connected to the grid, reported in category 1.A.1.a, the percentage of the category 1.A.2.g CO<sub>2</sub> emissions due to electricity generation has reduced in the last years. This subsector accounts, in 2019, for 19.4% of total 1.A.2 GHG emissions, and 2.3% of total national emissions.

### **3.4.3 Methodological issues**

Energy consumption for this sector is reported in the BEN (see Annex 5). The data comprise specification of consumption for 13 sub-sectors and more than 25 fuels. These very detailed data, combined with industrial production data, allow for a good estimation of all the fuel used by most industrial sectors, with the details required by CRF format. With reference to coal used in the integrated steel production plants the quantities reported in BEN are not used as such but a procedure has been elaborated to estimate the carbon emissions linked to steel production and those attributable to the coal gases recovered for electricity generation, as already mentioned in paragraph 3.4.1. The detailed calculation procedure is described in Annex 3. Moreover, a part of the fuel input is considered in the estimation of process emissions, see chapter 4 for further details.

The balance of fuel (total consumption minus industrial processes consumption) is considered in the emission estimate; CO<sub>2</sub> emission factors used for 2019 are listed in Table 3.12. The procedure used to estimate the national emission factors is described in Annex 6. These factors account for the fraction of carbon oxidised equal to 1.00 for solid, liquid and gaseous fuels, as suggested by the IPCC 2006 guidelines (IPCC, 2006).

For some fuels as natural gas, coal and residual oil, country specific emission factors are available for the whole time series; so their time series takes into account different oxidation factors according to the improving of combustion efficiency occurred in the nineties, but considering the value equal to 1.00 from 2005.

For petroleum coke, synthesis gas from heavy residual, refinery gases, iron and steel derived gases, coking coal, anthracite, coke oven coke from 2005, and for residual gases from chemical processes, from 2007, CO<sub>2</sub> emission factors have been calculated based on the data reported by operators under the EU ETS scheme. See Annex 6 for further details.

For the other fuels, where national information was not available, default emission factors provided by the IPCC 2006 Guidelines have been used (IPCC, 2006).

**Table 3.12 Emission Factors for Power, Industry and Civil sector**

	t CO <sub>2</sub> / TJ	t CO <sub>2</sub> / t	t CO <sub>2</sub> / toe
<b>Liquid fuels</b>			
Crude oil	73.300	3.101	3.069
Jet gasoline	70.000	3.101	2.931
Jet kerosene	71.500	3.153	2.994
Petroleum Coke in industry*	93.498	3.117	3.915
Petroleum Coke in refineries*	96.929	3.437	4.058
Gasoil	74.100	3.186	3.102
Orimulsion	77.000	2.118	3.224
Fuel oil*	76.594	3.143	3.207
Heavy residual in refineries*	79.929	3.113	3.346
Synthesis gas from heavy residual*	104.034	0.948	4.356
Residual gases from chemical processes*	52.316	1.705	2.190
Other chemical gases*	57.562	2.484	2.410
<b>Gaseous fuels</b>			
Natural gas*	57.632	1.976 (sm <sup>3</sup> )	2.413
<b>Solid fuels</b>			
Steam coal*	95.278	2.375	3.989
"sub-bituminous" coal	96.100	1.816	4.024
Lignite	101.000	1.202	4.229
Coking coal*	94.676	2.948	3.964
Anthracite*	105.114	3.033	4.401
Coke oven coke*	108.590	3.169	4.546
<b>Biomass</b>			
Solid Biomass*	(94.600)	(0.962)	(3.961)
<b>Derived Gases</b>			
Refinery Gas*	56.465	2.660 (sm <sup>3</sup> )	2.364
Coke Oven Gas*	44.820	0.792 (sm <sup>3</sup> )	1.877
Oxygen converter Gas*	194.622	1.387(sm <sup>3</sup> )	8.148
Blast furnace*	249.335	0.877 (sm <sup>3</sup> )	10.439
<b>Other fuels (fossil)</b>			
Municipal solid waste*	96.520	1.094	4.581
Industrial solid waste*	81.243	2.093	3.401

\*country specific emission factors

Source: ISPRA elaborations

Other sources of information are the yearly survey performed for the E-PRTR, since 2003, and the EU ETS; both surveys include main industrial operators, but not all emission sources. In particular from 2005 onwards the detailed reports by operators subject to EU ETS constitute a valuable source of data, as already said above with reference to oxidation factors and average emission factors.

In general, in the industrial sector, the ETS data source is used for cross checking BEN data. Energy/emissions data from EU ETS survey of industrial sectors should be normally lower than the corresponding BEN data because only part of the installations / sources of a certain industrial sub sector are subject to EU ETS. In case of missing sources or lower figures in the BEN than ETS, at fuel sector level, a verification procedure is carried out.

Since 2007 data, ISPRA verifies actual data from both sources and communicates potential discrepancies to MSE. Thus, a verification procedure is started that can eventually modify BEN data. However, we underline that EU ETS data do not include all industrial installations and cannot be used directly to estimate sectoral emissions for a series of reasons that will be analyzed in the following, sector by sector.

Biomass fuel consumption in the sector is driven by the use of wood in the non-metallic sub category and biogas from agriculture residues in the food sub category. The trend of the implied emission factors are driven in the last years by the exponential increase of the biogas fuel consumption, observed mainly in the food processing industry, and the strong decrease of wood consumption in industry, as supplied by the national energy balance (MSE, several years [a]).

Other fuels include industrial waste fuel consumption reported in the non-metallic mineral sub category. The use of industrial waste in manufacturing industries is linked to the use in the last 10 years in cement production plants and refers to the consumption of RDF (Refuse-derived Fuel), plastics, tyres, waste oils and solvents. The average emission factor time series is reported in Table A6.12 of Annex 6 and it have been derived from data reported to the ETS by the plants using that fuel.

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### *Iron and steel*

For this sector, all main installations are included in EU ETS, but only from 2013 all sources of emissions are included. In the previous years only part of the processes of integrated steel making was subject to EU ETS, in particular the manufacturing process after the production of raw steel was excluded up to 2007 and only the lamination processes have been included from 2008.

So the EU ETS data have been of limited use for this subsector and the procedure set up starting from the total carbon input to the steel making process, is the most comprehensive one to estimate the emissions to be reported in 1.A.2.a, see Annex 3 for further details.

Of course, data available from EU ETS are used for cross-checking the national energy balance data, with an aim to improve the consistency of the data set.

These plants are also reported in E-PRTR, but not all sources are included.

The low implied emission factors and annual variations in the average CO<sub>2</sub> emission factor for solid fuel are due to the fact that both activity data and emissions reported under this category include the results of the carbon balance (see Annex 3 for further details). The implied emission factor for 2019 is equal to 57.9 t/TJ and the trend is quite stable with figures around 70 t/TJ. CH<sub>4</sub> implied emission factor is equal to 16.7 kg/TJ in 2019 and it is higher than the default emission factors because of the specificities of the in-process combustion activities. The sintering process is a pre-treatment step in the production of iron in which metal ores, coke and other materials are roasted under burners, involving the mixing of combustion products and/or the fuel with the product or raw materials (EMEP/EEA, 2019). Apart from combustion emissions, the heating of plant feedstock and product can lead to substantial CH<sub>4</sub> emissions which are to be accounted for in the combustion process.

### *Non-Ferrous Metals*

These plants are mostly excluded from EU ETS; primary aluminium producing plants should have been included from 2013, but the only Italian plant closed in the same year. These production processes are also in the scope of the E-PRTR survey, which collects also information concerning emissions to air, but since these facilities usually do not exceed the emission thresholds for mandatory reporting the information regarding emissions to air is not reported by the operators. According to the national Energy Balance no solid fuels have been used since 2016 in this subsector.

### *Chemicals*

The use of EU ETS data for this subsector is rather complex because generally chemical plants are excluded from EU ETS while petrochemical plants, which report also under the E-PRTR, are included from 2013. In this case, the data set is used for cross checking BEN data. As mentioned in paragraph 3.4.1, also a small amount of emissions connected to the production of electricity for the onsite use is reported in source 1.A.2.c, basic data are taken from TERNA reports and the relative subsector amount is estimated with a model.

In this category, biomass refers to the steam wood fuel consumption as available in the BEN. The relevant CO<sub>2</sub> emission factor is reported in Table 3.12 above.

Fuel consumptions of derived chemical and petrochemical fuels, which could be considered as petrol derived fuels, were reported in the past in the “other fossil fuels” category for chemicals industries. With the aim to improve the comparison between reference and sectoral approaches, these fuels have been reported under the liquid fuel category. The average CO<sub>2</sub> emission factor at sectoral level for liquid fuels is driven by the weight of synthesis gases from chemical processes fuel consumptions. The relevant CO<sub>2</sub> emission factor is reported in Table 3.12 above.

### *Pulp, Paper and Print*

Most of the operators in the paper and pulp sector are included in EU ETS, while only a few of the printing installations are included.

CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from biomass fuel consumption in the sector, are included in the inventory on the basis of the biomass fuel consumption reported in the annual environmental report by the industrial association (ASSOCARTA, several years) and to the EU ETS. Statistics on biomass fuel consumption appears from 1998. According to the information supplied by the industrial association of the sector, ASSOCARTA, a few plants started to use biomass from 1998. The use of biomass has an increasing trend till 2008 while in 2009 the use of biomass sharply reduced with a further reduction in the following years to return in the last years at the same level of 2009. From 2008 information is directly reported by the production plants in the framework of the EU ETS and a reduction in the IEF is observed as a consequence of increase in energy efficiency of the biomass

fuel used. For the years from 1990 to 1997 the use of biomass for energy purposes in the pulp and paper industry has been assumed not occurring. Biomass fuel consumption includes especially black liquor, from 1998 to 2007, but also industrial sludge and biogas from industrial organic wastes. From 2013 only biogas is included and, in 2019, CO<sub>2</sub> emission factor is equal to 55.5 t/TJ.

#### *Food*

Emissions from the food production are included in this source category. A comprehensive activity data for this sector is not available; the subsector comprises many small and medium size enterprises, with thousands of different products. Limited info on this sector can be found in ETS survey, the sector is not included in the scope of ETS.

Liquid fuel refers to fuel oil and LPG fuel consumption driving the variability of the average emission factors. For the years up to 2002, solid fuel consumption was mainly related to the consumption of coke and small amount of lignite. From 2012 the fuel consumption and relevant emission factors refers only to anthracite.

Biomass includes fuel consumption of steam wood and biogas from food industrial residual. The CH<sub>4</sub> implied emission factor time series is driven by the mix of these fuels. In this sector emissions are prevalently from biogas from food industry residual or in the paper industry, with an EF of CH<sub>4</sub> equal to 152 kg/TJ, while in the other manufacturing industries biomass refers to wood and similar with an emission factor for CH<sub>4</sub> equal to 28 kg/TJ.

CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from biogas fuel combustion take in account the technology used to produce energy and heat from biogas combustion, usually stationary engines, which is not fully efficient and results in higher emissions of VOC, CO and PM. The emission factor is reported in the Corinair Guidebook (EMEP/CORINAIR, 2007) as the maximum for stationary engines. We plan to collect the relevant information at plant level to update this emission factor taking into account the improvement in technology in the last years with respect to the nineties. Biogas has an emission factor for N<sub>2</sub>O, equal to 3 kg/TJ.

#### *Non-metallic minerals*

This sector comprises emissions from many different industrial subsectors, some of which are subject to EU ETS and some not. Construction material subsector is energy intensive and it is subject to EU ETS. In the national energy database, the data for construction material are reported separately and they can be cross checked with ETS survey. However, in the construction material subsector, there are many small and medium size enterprises, so the operators subject to ETS are only a part of the total.

Biomass includes wood fuel consumption and other non conventional fuels especially used in the construction material subsector. CH<sub>4</sub> emission factor is equal to 27.5 kg/TJ and refers to the use of these non conventional fuels for the cement production (EMEP/EEA, 2009).

Industrial waste fuel consumption is also included in this subcategory; CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emission factors are equal to 3 kg/TJ and 15 kg/TJ respectively.

#### *Other*

This sector comprises emissions from many different industrial subsectors, mainly not subject to EU ETS.

### **3.4.4 Uncertainty and time-series consistency**

The combined uncertainty in CO<sub>2</sub> emissions for this category is estimated to be about 4% in annual emissions; a higher uncertainty is calculated for CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions on account of the uncertainty levels attributed to the related emission factors and the difference in emission factors between the industrial subsectors, sources 1.a.2.a-g.

Montecarlo analysis has been carried out to estimate uncertainty of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from stationary combustion of solid, liquid and gaseous fuels emissions, resulting in 5.1%, 3.3% and 5.8%, respectively. Normal distributions have been assumed for all the parameters. A summary of the results is reported in Annex 1.

Time series of the industrial energy consumption data are contained in the BEN time series and in the CRFs and are reported in the following table.

**Table 3.13 Fuel consumptions for Manufacturing Industry sector, 1990-2019 (TJ)**

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
<b>1.A.2 Manufacturing</b>	1,367,598	1,393,148	1,506,841	1,464,862	1,116,234	913,309	908,210	906,066	911,959	858,987

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
<b>Industries and Construction</b>										
a. Iron and Steel	397,841	378,482	373,499	371,192	299,536	182,846	204,752	177,110	175,448	169,960
b. Non-Ferrous Metals	11,916	14,708	20,276	19,774	18,537	16,968	17,035	18,498	18,612	18,240
c. Chemicals	320,112	288,273	279,930	257,657	241,697	169,257	169,022	173,545	176,039	142,570
d. Pulp, Paper and Print	50,730	70,189	73,713	94,498	88,256	83,986	82,232	86,684	84,964	86,227
e. Food Processing, Beverages and Tobacco	62,370	84,987	103,004	99,007	73,493	108,813	106,836	113,121	109,844	113,466
f. Non-metallic minerals	278,929	255,293	306,930	363,170	261,735	201,447	191,867	182,818	187,102	172,995
g. Other	245,699	301,216	349,489	259,564	132,980	149,991	136,465	154,291	159,950	155,529

Source: ISPRA elaborations

Emission levels observed from 1990 to 2005 are nearly constant with some oscillations, linked to the economic cycles and reflecting the develop of national sectoral industries, as paper and food. After year 2005 the general trend is downward, with oscillations due to the economic cycles industries but also reflecting the delocalisation of productions in some specific sectors as chemicals and textile industry, see Table 3.11 above. The underlining reason for the reduced emissions is the reduced industrial output, and the increase in energy efficiency. For the iron and steel sector as well as for the non metallic minerals sector, a drop is observed in the last years coherent with the reduction of the production activities in the main national iron and steel integrated plants and in the cement production industry respectively.

### 3.4.5 Source-specific QA/QC and verification

Basic data to estimate emissions have been reported by national energy balance and the national grid administrator. Data collected by other surveys that include EU-ETS and E-PRTR surveys have been used to cross – check the energy balance data, fuels used and EFs. Differences and problems have been analysed in details and solved together with MSE experts.

The energy data used to estimate emissions reported in Table 1.A.2 have two different levels of accuracy:

- in general, they are quite reliable and their uncertainty is the same of the BEN; as reported in Annex 4 the BEN survey covers 100% of import, export and production of energy; the total industrial consumption estimate is obtained subtracting from the total the known energy quantities (obtained by specialized surveys) used in electricity production, refineries and the civil sector.
- the energy consumption at sub sectoral level (sources 1.A.2.a-g) is estimated by MSE on the basis of sample surveys, actual production and economic data; therefore, the internal distribution on energy consumption has not the same grade of accuracy of the total data.

### 3.4.6 Source-specific recalculations

CO<sub>2</sub> emission factors have been slightly revised from 2005 for different fuels because of the update in atomic weights for the elements involved in the calculation of the carbon content in the natural gas (Hydrogen, Carbon, Oxygen, etc.). See Annex 6 for more details.

The emission factor for natural gas has been updated for the whole time series the update of the average content of CH<sub>4</sub> and CO<sub>2</sub> in the national natural gas mix due to an error which has been fixed.

Recalculations also occurred because of the review of carbon balance (see Annex 3) made with the goal to improve the coherence with international statistics also used as basic data for GHG projections.

The recalculation of the 1.A.2 subsector resulted in an increase of 1.2% in 1990 for CO<sub>2</sub> and an increase of 0.6%, 0.1% and 0.1% in 2018 for CO<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O respectively.

### 3.4.7 Source-specific planned improvements

With the aim to improve the comparison with the international statistics and the relevant definition and classification of fuels we are progressively updating the emission inventory adopting the energy balance

activity data provided by the Italian Ministry of Economic Development to the international organization after verification that these time series data reflect the relevant emission inventory categories.

A revision of biomass and waste fuel consumption time series is planned for the next submission on the basis of energy data communicated by the Ministry of Economic Development to the Joint Questionnaire OECD/IEA/EUROSTAT, after a verification and comparison with data up to now used and available in the National Energy Balance reports (MSE, several years [a]). National Energy Balances are available in Italy from 1970 with the same format and comparable data. The submissions to the international questionnaire in some cases follow different rules and different allocation of fuel consumptions. The comparison is oriented to avoid that the use of international statistics results in a loss of information already used for the emission inventory. Moreover, we will check where along the time series changes occurred and for which matter (simple updates of annual data or something related to the different reporting rules).

### 3.5 Transport

This sector shows a decrease in emissions only in the last years, reflecting the trend observed in fuel consumption for road transportation which accounts for more than 90% of GHG sectoral emissions. The mobility demand and, particularly, the road transportation share have increased in the period from 1990 to 2019, although since 2008 emissions from this sector begin to decrease.

In 2019 the sector is responsible of 25.2% of total national GHG emissions and 31.4% of the GHG energy sector emissions.

Emissions increase of about 26.8% from 1990 to 2007 and show a decrease of about 18.6% from 2007 to 2019; despite of an inversion of the trend between 2013 and 2014, a further reduction is observed between 2015 and 2017, while 2018-2019 emissions show an upward trend as a consequence of a general growth of economy. In 2012 a drop is observed in CO<sub>2</sub> emissions due to a sharp reduction of gasoline and diesel fuel consumption for road transport, explained mainly by the economic crisis, contributing to the reduction of movements of passengers and goods, and in a minor way by the penetration in the market of low consumption vehicles.

The time series of CO<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions, in Mt CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent, is reported in Table 3.14; figures comprise all the emissions reported in table 1.A.(a)s3 of the CRF. Emission estimates are discussed below for each sub sector. The trend of N<sub>2</sub>O emissions is related to the evolution of the technologies in the road transport sector and the distribution between the different fuels consumption.

Methane emission trend is due to the combined effect of technological improvements that limit VOCs from tail pipe and evaporative emissions (for cars) and the expansion of two-wheelers fleet. It has to be underlined that in Italy there is a remarkable fleet of motorbikes and mopeds (about 9.9 million vehicles in 2019) that use gasoline and it increased of about 49.5% since 1990 (this fleet not completely complies with strict VOC emissions controls).

**Table 3.14 GHG emissions for the transport sector (Mt CO<sub>2</sub> eq.)**

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
CO <sub>2</sub> Mt CO <sub>2</sub> eq	100.30	111.53	121.42	126.60	114.17	105.04	103.63	99.74	103.13	104.28
CH <sub>4</sub> Mt CO <sub>2</sub> eq	0.90	1.02	0.77	0.51	0.31	0.21	0.22	0.20	0.20	0.21
N <sub>2</sub> O Mt CO <sub>2</sub> eq	0.99	1.75	1.60	1.14	1.08	0.99	1.00	0.98	1.01	1.03
<b>Total, Mt CO<sub>2</sub> eq.</b>	<b>102.21</b>	<b>114.29</b>	<b>123.82</b>	<b>128.26</b>	<b>115.56</b>	<b>106.26</b>	<b>104.84</b>	<b>100.92</b>	<b>104.34</b>	<b>105.51</b>

Source: ISPRA elaborations

CO<sub>2</sub> from road vehicles is key category both in 1990 and 2019, in level and trend (Tier 1 and Tier 2) with and without LULUCF.

CO<sub>2</sub> from waterborne navigation is key category both in 1990 and 2019, in level (Tier 1) with and without LULUCF.

CO<sub>2</sub> from civil aviation is key category: in 2018, in level and trend (Tier 1), with and without LULUCF; in 1990, in level (Tier1) with LULUCF.

CH<sub>4</sub> deriving from road transportation is key category in 2019 in trend (Tier2), without LULUCF and in 1990 in level (Tier 2) without LULUCF.

N<sub>2</sub>O deriving from road transportation is key category in 1990 in level (Tier 2) without LULUCF.

#### 3.5.1 Aviation

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### 3.5.1.1 *Source category description*

The IPCC methodology requires the estimation of emissions for category 1.A.3.a.i International Aviation and 1.A.3.a.ii Domestic Aviation, including figures both for the cruise phase of the flight and the landing and take-off cycles (LTO). Emissions from international aviation are reported as a memo item, and are not included in national totals.

Civil aviation contributes mainly in rising CO<sub>2</sub> emissions. CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions also occur and are estimated in this category but their contribution is insignificant.

In 2019 total GHG emissions from this source category were about 2.3% of the national total emissions from transport, and about 0.6% of the GHG national total (in terms of CO<sub>2</sub> only, the share is almost the same).

From 1990 to 2019, GHG emissions from the sector increased by 59.3%, due to the expansion of the aviation transport mode. Nevertheless, since 2010 a reduction is observed in GHG emissions, equal to -19.6% due both to the reduction of domestic flights and to an increase of energy efficiency in the new aircrafts. Considering the years 2010-2019 only, after the minimum GHGs emissions registered in years 2015-2016, there is a rise in the emissions from aviation in years 2017-2019. Therefore, emission fluctuations over time are mostly dictated by the growth rates in the number of domestic flights.

CO<sub>2</sub> deriving from civil aviation is key category in 2019, in level and trend (Tier 1), with and without LULUCF.

### 3.5.1.2 *Methodological issues*

According to the IPCC Guidelines and Good Practice Guidance (IPCC, 1997; IPCC, 2000; IPCC, 2006) and the Guidebook (EMEP/CORINAIR, 2007; EMEP/EEA, 2019), a national technique has been developed and applied to estimate emissions.

The current method estimates emissions from the following assumptions and information.

Activity data comprise both fuel consumptions and aircraft movements, which are available in different level of aggregation and derive from different sources as specified here below:

- Total inland deliveries of aviation gasoline and jet fuel are provided in the national energy balance (MSE, several years [a]). This figure is the best approximation of aviation fuel consumption, for international and domestic use, but it is reported as a total and not split between domestic and international and include fuel used for engines and airframe testing;
- Data on annual arrivals and departures of domestic and international landing and take-off cycles at Italian airports are reported by different sources: National Institute of Statistics in the statistics yearbooks (ISTAT, several years [a]), Ministry of Transport in the national transport statistics yearbooks (MIT, several years), the Italian civil aviation in the national aviation statistics yearbooks (ENAC/MIT, several years), which report total national and international commercial air traffic, scheduled and not scheduled flights including charter and airtaxi, EUROCONTROL flights data time series 2002 – 2018 (EUROCONTROL, several years).

An overall assessment and comparison with EUROCONTROL emission estimates was carried out which led to an update of the methodology used by Italy for this category. Data on the number of flights, fuel consumption and emission factors were provided by EUROCONTROL in the framework of a specific project funded by the European Commission, and quality checked by the European Environmental Agency and its relevant Topic Centre (ETC/ACM), aimed at improving the reporting and the quality of emission estimates from the aviation sector of each EU Member State under both the UNFCCC and LRTAP conventions. The Advanced Emissions Model (AEM) was applied by Eurocontrol to derive these figures, according to a Tier 3 methodology (EMEP/EEA, 2019).

EUROCONTROL fuel and emissions time series cover the period 2005-2019, while the number of flights is available since 2002. In this year submission, EUROCONTROL data, related to the number of flights in Italy, have been used to update the national inventory from 2002, while fuel and emissions data have been used since 2005.

For the time series from 1990 to 1999, figures for emission and consumption factors are derived by the EMEP/CORINAIR guidebook (EMEP/CORINAIR, 2007), both for LTO cycles and cruise phases, taking into account national specificities. These specificities derived from the results of a national study which, taking into account detailed information on the Italian air fleet and the origin-destination flights for the year 1999, calculated national values for both domestic and international flights for the same year (Romano et al., 1999; ANPA, 2001; Trozzi et al., 2002 (a)) on the basis of the default emission and consumption factors reported in the EMEP/CORINAIR guidebook. These national average emissions and consumption factors were therefore

used to estimate emissions for LTO cycles and cruise both for domestic and international flights from 1990 to 1999.

Specifically, for the year referred to in the survey, the method estimates emissions from the number of aircraft movements broken down by aircraft and engine type (derived from ICAO database if not specified) at each of the principal Italian airports; information about whether the flight is international or domestic and the related distance travelled has also been considered.

A Tier 3 method has been applied for 1999. In fact, figures on the number of flights, destination, aircraft fleet and engines have been provided by the local airport authorities, national airlines and EUROCONTROL, covering about 80% of the national official statistics on aircraft movements for the relevant years. Data on 'Times in mode' have also been supplied by the four principal airports and estimates for the other minor airports have been carried out on the basis of previous sectoral studies at local level. Consumption and emission factors are those derived from the EMEP/CORINAIR guidebook (EMEP/CORINAIR, 2007). Based on sample information, estimates have been carried out at national level from 1990 to 1999 considering the official statistics of the aviation sector (ENAC/MIT, several years) and applying the average consumption and emission factors.

From 2005, fuel consumption and emission factors were derived from the database made available to EU Member States by EUROCONTROL, as previously described. These data were used for updating fuel consumption factors, and emission factors of all pollutants. For the period between 1999 and 2005, where relevant, a linear interpolation has been applied to calculate these parameters.

Estimates were carried out applying the consumption and emission factors to the national official aviation statistics (ENAC/MIT, several years) and EUROCONTROL data on movements from 2002 (EUROCONTROL, several years).

In general, to carry out national estimates of greenhouse gases and other pollutants in the Italian inventory for LTO cycles, both domestic and international, consumptions and emissions are calculated for the complete time series using the average consumption and emission factors multiplied by the total number of flights. The same method is used to estimate emissions for domestic cruise; on the other hand, for international cruise, consumptions are derived by difference from the total fuel consumption reported in the national energy balance and the estimated values as described above and emissions are therefore calculated.

The fuel split between national and international fuel use in aviation is then supplied to the Ministry of the Economical Development to be included in the official international submission of energy statistics to the IEA in the framework of the Joint Questionnaire OECD/EUROSTAT/IEA compilation together with other energy data.

Data on domestic and international aircraft movements from 1990 to 2019 are shown in Table 3.15 where domestic flights are those entirely within Italy.

Since 2002, emission time series have been updated on the basis of EUROCONTROL flights data, considering departures from and arrivals to all airports in Italy, regarding flights flying under instrument flight rules (IFR), including civil helicopters flights and excluding flights flagged as military, when the above flights they can be identified while, from 1990 to 2001, data from ENAC have been used (ENAC/MIT, several years).

**Table 3.15 Aircraft Movement Data (LTO cycles)**

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Domestic flights	172,148	185,220	319,963	350,140	354,520	280,645	277,872	281,498	284,627	288,470
International flights	147,875	198,848	303,747	381,206	406,990	425,410	446,817	462,896	484,764	502,764

Source: ISTAT, several years [a]; ENAC/MIT, several years; Eurocontrol, several years.

Emission factors are reported in Table 3.16 and Table 3.17.

CO<sub>2</sub> and SO<sub>2</sub>, emission factors (in kg/TJ) depend on the fuel quality and they have been assumed according to the information available in literature that the quality of jet fuel does not change in the period. CO<sub>2</sub> emission factors are those in the 2006 IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006), while SO<sub>2</sub> emission factor is equal to 1 kg/t of fuel.

For N<sub>2</sub>O, because of emission factors are not available at engine/airplane level in the relevant EMEP and IPCC Guidelines which are based on the ICAO database, and the 2006 IPCC Guidelines default value has been used, equal to 2 kg/TJ (IPCC, 2006).

For the other gases, including CH<sub>4</sub>, emission factors depend from the technologies and vary in the time series according to the surveys as already described in this paragraph.

**Table 3.16 CO<sub>2</sub> and SO<sub>2</sub> emission factors for Aviation (kg/t) 1990-2019**

	CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>a</sup>	SO <sub>2</sub>
Aviation jet fuel	849	1.0
Aviation gasoline	839	1.0

a Emission factor as kg carbon/t.

**Table 3.17 Non-CO<sub>2</sub> emission factors for Aviation (2019)**

	Units	CH <sub>4</sub>	N <sub>2</sub> O	NO <sub>x</sub>	CO	NMVOC	Fuel
Domestic LTO	kg/LTO	0.134	0.053	8.031	6.517	1.024	624,900
International LTO	kg/LTO	0.170	0.069	11.148	7.738	1.037	794,550
Domestic Cruise	kg/t fuel	-	0,087	15,129	4.468	0.653	-
International Cruise	kg/t fuel	-	0,075	16,147	1.959	0.255	-
Aircraft Military <sup>a</sup>	kg/t fuel	0.400	0.200	15.800	126.000	3.600	-

Source: <sup>(a)</sup>EMEP/CORINAIR, 2007; EMEP/EEA 2019; Eurocontrol, several years

Total fuel consumptions, both domestic and international, are reported by LTO and cruise in Table 3.18.

**Table 3.18 Aviation jet fuel consumptions for domestic and international flights (Gg)**

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
	Gg									
Domestic LTO	111	120	208	233	227	168	166	169	179	180
International LTO	130	175	258	269	296	328	344	355	382	399
Domestic cruise	357	384	654	666	704	526	527	544	563	580
International cruise	1,246	1,688	2,297	2,456	2,534	2,745	2,962	3,230	3,461	3,584

Source: ISPRA elaborations

Emissions from military aircrafts are also estimated and reported under category 1.A.5.b Other.

The methodology to estimate military aviation emissions is simpler than the one described for civil aviation since LTO data are not available in this case. As for activity data, total consumption for military aviation is published in the petrochemical bulletin (MSE, several years [b]) by fuel. Emission factors are those provided in the EMEP/CORINAIR guidebook (EMEP/CORINAIR, 2007). CO<sub>2</sub> and SO<sub>2</sub> emission factors depend on fuel properties; as regards CO<sub>2</sub>, according to the adoption of the 2006 IPCC Guidelines, emission factors have been calculated assuming that 100% of the fuel carbon is oxidized to CO<sub>2</sub>. Therefore, emissions are calculated by multiplying military fuel consumption data for the EMEP/CORINAIR default emission factors shown in Table 3.17.

### 3.5.1.3 Uncertainty and time-series consistency

The combined uncertainty in CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from aviation is estimated to be about 3% in annual emissions; a higher uncertainty is calculated for CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions on account of the uncertainty levels attributed to the related emission factors.

Time series of domestic emissions from the aviation sector is reported in Table 3.19.

An upward trend in emission levels is observed from 1990 to 2019 which is explained by the increasing number of LTO cycles. Nevertheless, the propagation of more modern aircrafts in the fleet slows down the trend in the most recent years. There has also been a decrease in the number of flights in the last years.

**Table 3.19 GHG emissions from domestic aviation**

		1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
CO <sub>2</sub>	Gg	1,493.1	1,588.5	2,718.2	2,839.4	2,958.5	2,166.8	2,164.1	2,226.5	2,321.1	2,378.8
CH <sub>4</sub>	Mg	26.9	27.7	47.9	52.8	52.7	36.5	36.1	36.7	39.0	39.4
N <sub>2</sub> O	Mg	41.8	44.4	76.0	79.4	82.8	60.6	60.5	62.3	64.9	66.5

Source: ISPRA elaborations

#### 3.5.1.4 Source-specific QA/QC and verification

Data used for estimating emissions from the aviation sector derive from different sources: local airport authorities, national airlines operators, EUROCONTROL and official statistics by different Ministries and national authorities.

Different QA/QC and verification activities are carried out for this category.

As regards past years, the results of the national studies and methodologies, applied at national and airport level, were shared with national experts in the framework of an *ad hoc* working group on air emissions instituted by the National Aviation Authority (ENAC). The group, chaired by ISPRA, included participants from ENAC, Ministry of Environment, Land and Sea, Ministry of Transport, national airlines and local airport authorities. The results reflected differences between airports, aircrafts used and times in mode spent for each operation.

Currently, verification and comparison activities regard activity data and emission factors. In particular, the number of flights has been compared considering different sources: ENAC, ASSAEROPORTI, ISTAT, EUROCONTROL and verification activities have been performed on the basis of the updated EUROCONTROL data on fuel consumption and emission factors resulting in an update and improving of the national inventory.

Furthermore, there is an ongoing collaboration and data exchange with regional environmental agencies on this issue.

#### 3.5.1.5 Source-specific recalculations

Emission time series from 2005 to 2019 has been updated according to EUROCONTROL updated figures resulting in recalculation less than 0.5% in sectoral emissions. EUROCONTROL adopted changes on aircraft engine classification, and they were adopted on the whole time series 2005-2019 to ensure consistency.

#### 3.5.1.6 Source-specific planned improvements

Improvements for next submissions are planned on the basis of the outcome of the ongoing quality assurance and quality control activities, in particular with regard to the results of investigation about data and information deriving from different sources, in particular further assessment of EUROCONTROL data, and comparison with ISTAT information.

### 3.5.2 Railways

The electricity used by the railways for electric traction is supplied from the public distribution system, so the emissions arising from its generation are reported under category 1.A.1.a Public Electricity.

Emissions from diesel trains are reported under the IPCC category 1.A.3.c Railways. Estimates are based on the gasoil consumption for railways reported in BEN (MSE, several years [a]), and on the methodology Tier1, and emission factors from the EMEP/EEA Emission Inventory Guidebook 2019 (EMEP/EEA, 2019).

As regards the use of lubricants in diesel locomotives in railways, according to the review process and to the 2006 IPCC Guidelines, emission estimates from lubricants have been reported under IPPU instead of under the energy sector, except for lubricants related to the use in two stroke engines in road transport.

Fuel consumption data are collected by the Ministry of Economic Development, responsible of the energy balance, from the companies with diesel railways. The activity is present only in those areas without electrified railways, which are limited in the national territory. The trend reflects the decrease of the use of these railways. Because of low values, emissions from railways do not represent a key category.

Carbon dioxide and sulphur dioxide emissions are calculated on fuel based emission factors using fuel consumption data from BEN. The CO<sub>2</sub> emission factors for diesel fuel derive from ad hoc studies about the properties of transportation fuels sold in Italy, performed by ISPRA since the nineties, and whose results are representative and applicable with reference to three different time phases: 1990 – 1999; 2000 – 2011; 2012 – 2019 (Innovhub, several years).

Values for SO<sub>2</sub> vary annually according to the variation of the sulphur-content of fuels produced, imported and commercialized, and it is yearly monitored according to legislative constraints; moreover it is officially communicated to the European Commission in the framework of European Directives on fuel quality (ISPRA, several years). Emissions of CO, NMVOC, NO<sub>x</sub>, N<sub>2</sub>O and methane are based on the EMEP/EEA methodology (EMEP/EEA, 2019) taking into account the implementation of the relevant European Directives to reduce atmospheric pollutants. The emission factors shown in Table 3.20 are aggregate factors so that all factors are reported on the common basis of fuel consumption.

**Table 3.20 Emission factors for railway in 2019 (kg/t)**

	CO <sub>2</sub>	CH <sub>4</sub>	N <sub>2</sub> O	NO <sub>x</sub> kg/t	CO	NMVOC	SO <sub>2</sub>
Diesel trains	3,140	0.18	1.24	52.4	10.7	4.65	0.015

Source: EMEP/EEA,2019; IPCC, 2006

GHG emissions from railways accounted in 2019 for about 0.15% of the total transport sector emissions. No recalculation occurred in this submission. No specific improvements are planned for the next submission.

### 3.5.3 Road Transport

#### 3.5.3.1 Source category description

This section addresses the estimation of emissions related to category 1.A.3.b Road transportation.

In 2019, total GHG emissions from this category were about 92.6% of the total national emissions from transport, 29.0% of the energy sector and about 23.4% of the GHG national total.

From 1990 to 2019, GHG emissions from the sector increased by 3.9%; this trend has a twofold explanation: on one side a strong increase starting from 1990 until 2007 (27.8%), due to the increase of vehicle fleet, total mileage and consequently fuel consumptions and on the other side, in the last years, from 2007 onwards, a decrease in fuel consumption and emissions basically due to the economic crisis (emissions decrease of about -18.7%).

CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from road transport are key category, both in 1990 and in 2019, with approach 1 and approach 2, with and without LULUCF, at level and trend assessment.

CH<sub>4</sub> emissions are key category: in 1990 in level with approach 2 with and without LULUCF; in trend with approach 2 with and without LULUCF.

N<sub>2</sub>O emissions are key category in 1990 and in 2019 in level with approach 2 without LULUCF.

Emissions from road transport are calculated either from a combination of total fuel consumption data and fuel properties or from a combination of drive related emission factors and road traffic data.

Non CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from biomass fuel consumption are included and reported: as regards biodiesel, under diesel fuel category; as regards bioethanol, under gasoline fuel category. Biomass fuel refers prevalently to the use of biodiesel which is mixed with diesel fuel and to the use of bioethanol mixed with gasoline fuel.

CO<sub>2</sub> emissions are calculated on the basis of the amount of carbon in the fuel. In the model used to calculate emissions, the fuel consumption input, which is balanced with the fuel consumption estimated by the model, includes both fossil and bio fuels; then CO<sub>2</sub> emissions related to biomass are subtracted to the total with the aim to be reported under biomass.

CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions depend on the technology of vehicles and could not be calculated without more detailed information regarding the type and technology of vehicles and the associated fuel consumption.

#### 3.5.3.2 Methodological issues

According to the IPCC Guidelines and Good Practice Guidance (IPCC, 1997; IPCC, 2000; IPCC, 2006) and the EMEP/EEA air pollutant emission inventory guidebook 2019 (EMEP/EEA, 2019), a national methodology has been developed and applied to estimate emissions; COPERT methodology is used and country specificities are taken into account according to Tier 3 of IPCC Guidelines, such as the physic-chemical characterization of fossil fuels used in Italy and the peculiar structure of the circulating fleet.

The model COPERT 5 (updated version 5.4.36, October 2020) has been used and applied for the whole time series in 2021 submission. COPERT 5 introduces upgrades both from software and methodological point of view respect to the previous model COPERT 4 used (<https://www.emisia.com/utilities/copert/versions/>).

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New methodological features have been introduced.

As regards fuel, updates concern: fuel energy instead of fuel mass calculations; distinction between primary and end (blends) fuels, automated energy balance.

Regarding vehicle types, updated vehicle category naming, new vehicle types and emission control technology level, have been introduced.

As regards emission factors, one function type and the possibility to distinguish between peak/off-peak urban, have been implemented.

Main methodological innovations introduced since version 5.2.2, used in last submission, relate: new emission factors for mopeds 4-stroke; new emission factors for motorcycles; revised evaporation factors for Euro 6d-temp and Euro 6d passenger cars and light commercial vehicles; revised Euro 6 LCV NO<sub>x</sub> emissions factors; calculation of the fossil fuel fraction in biodiesel; updated emission factors for Euro 5 diesel PCs and LCVs (N1-I) for NO<sub>x</sub>, VOC and CO, new category added (with software update); updated naming for Euro 6 PCs and LCVs (Euro 6 a/b/c, Euro 6 d-temp, and Euro 6d) and HDVs (Euro VI A/B/C and Euro VI D/E); updated emission factors for Euro 6 PCs (petrol: CO, PM, NO<sub>x</sub>, VOC; petrol hybrid: PM; LPG and CNG ~ petrol: NO<sub>x</sub>, VOC; Diesel: CO) and LCVs (petrol: PM; diesel: CO for N1-I only); new vehicle categories and emission factors added (petrol PHEV, diesel PHEV, busses hybrid).

Italian road vehicles electricity consumption data, introduced in last Copert version, derives from Eurostat database (<https://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/data/database>).

As regards CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from catalytic converters using urea (reported under category 2.D.3), Italian road transport emissions estimation about CO<sub>2</sub> from urea based catalysts is implemented in the model used.

In particular, for diesel passenger cars Euro 6 and light duty trucks Euro 3 – Euro 6, the consumption of urea is assumed to be equal to 2% of fuel consumption; for diesel heavy duty trucks and buses, the consumption of urea is assumed to be equal to 6% of fuel consumption at Euro 4 and Euro 5 level and equal to 3.5% at Euro 6 level.

With regard to the purity (the mass fraction of urea in the urea-based additive), the default value of thirtytwo and half percent has been used (IPCC, 2006).

Methodologies are described in the following, distinguishing emissions calculated from fuel consumption and traffic data.

#### **3.5.3.2.1 Fuel-based emissions**

Emissions of carbon dioxide and sulphur dioxide from road transport are calculated from the consumption of gasoline, diesel, liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) and natural gas and the carbon or sulphur content of the fuels consumed. Consumption data have been updated according to data officially communicated to the Joint Questionnaire OECD/IEA/EUROSTAT.

Consumption data for the fuel consumed by road transport in Italy are taken from the BEN (MSE, several years [a]), in physical units (taking into account the use in road transportation, in machinery as regards gasoline, in commercial and public service, and subtracting the quantities for military use in diesel oil and off-road uses in petrol).

Monitoring of the carbon content of the fuels used in Italy is an ongoing activity at ISPRA (Italian Institute for Environmental Protection and Research). The purpose is to analyse regularly the chemical composition of the used fuels or relevant commercial statistics to estimate the carbon content/emission factor (EF) of the fuels. With reference to the whole inventory, for each primary fuel, a specific procedure has been established.

As regards road transport, Italy country-specific CO<sub>2</sub> emission factors values for gasoline, diesel fuel and LPG, derive from ad hoc studies about the properties of transportation fuels sold in Italy and whose results are representative and applicable with reference to three different time phases: 1990 – 1999; 2000 – 2011; 2012 – 2019 (Innovhub – Fuel Experimental Station surveys, several years).

As regards natural gas, the national market is characterized by the commercialisation of gases with different chemical composition in variable quantities from one year to the other. The methodology used to estimate the average EF for natural gas per year is based on the available consumption data, referring to the lower heat value (each year the quantities of natural gas imported or produced in Italy are published on the web by the MSE <http://dgerm.sviluppoeconomico.gov.it/dgerm/bilanciogas.asp>).

Emissions of CO<sub>2</sub>, expressed as kg carbon per tonne of fuel, are based on the H/C and O/C ratios of the fuel. The increase in fuel consumption due to air conditioning use implies that extra CO<sub>2</sub> emissions in g/km are calculated as a function of temperature and relative humidity; nevertheless because of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions depend on total statistical fuel consumption, there is not impact on the CO<sub>2</sub> officially reported but instead on other pollutants.

Emissions of SO<sub>2</sub> are based on the sulphur content of the fuel, on the assumption that all the sulphur in the fuel is transformed completely into SO<sub>2</sub>. As regards heavy metals (exhaust emissions of lead have been dropped because of the introduction of unleaded gasoline), apparent fuel metal contents (copert default) are used in the emissions calculation; for the non-exhaust share, values take into account also of lubricant content and engine wear (EMEP/EEA, 2019).

Fuel consumption data derive basically from the National Energy Balance (MSE, several years [a]); supplementary information is taken from the Oil Bulletin (MSE, several years [b]). As regards biofuels, the consumption has increased in view of the targets to be respected by Italy and set in the framework of the European directive 20-20-20. The trend of biodiesel is explained by the fact that this biofuel has been tested since 1994 to 1996 before entering in production since 1998. The consumption of bioethanol is introduced since 2008, according to data resulting in the BEN.

Values of the fuel-based emission factors for CO<sub>2</sub> from consumption of petrol and diesel fuels are shown in Table 3.21. These factors account for the fraction of carbon oxidised for liquid fuels equal to 1, as suggested by the 2006 IPCC guidelines (IPCC, 2006). From the nineties, different directives regulating the fuel quality in Europe have been implemented (Directive 93/12/EC, Directive 98/70/EC, Directive 2003/17/EC and Directive 2009/30/EC), in parallel with the evolution of vehicle fleet technologies; this resulted in remarkable differences in the characteristic of the fuels, including the content of carbon, hydrogen and oxygenates, parameters needed to derive the CO<sub>2</sub> emission factors.

The final report on the physic-chemical characterization of fossil fuels used in Italy, carried out by the Fuel Experimental Station, that is an Italian Institute operating in the framework of the Department of Industry, has been used since 2015 submission, with the aim to improve fuel quality specifications. Fuel information is also updated on the basis of the annual reports published by ISPRA about the fuel quality in Italy.

The Copert tool “CO<sub>2</sub> Correction” aimed at CO<sub>2</sub> correction based on type approval CO<sub>2</sub> emission factors, has been applied for passenger cars, from Euro 4 onwards. For the years 2010 – 2019, data published by EEA have been used about monitoring CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from new passenger cars (<https://www.eea.europa.eu/data-and-maps/data/co2-cars-emission-18>, EEA, 2020). For the years 2006 – 2009, Italian Ministry of Transport data have been used.

A specific survey was also conducted to characterize the national fuel used in 2000-2001.

Regarding 1990-1999, a study has been done to evaluate the use of the default emission factors reported in the IPCC Guidelines 1996 in consideration of the available information on national fuels. Emission factors from the Guidelines have been considered representative for diesel and LPG while for gasoline a country specific emission factor has been calculated taking into account the IPCC default values and the specific energy content of the national fuels. For further details see the relevant paragraph in Annex 6.

Values for SO<sub>2</sub> vary annually as the sulphur-content of fuels change and are calculated every year for gasoline and gas oil and officially communicated to the European Commission in the framework of European Directives on fuel quality (ISPRA, several years); these figures are also published by the refineries industrial association (UP, several years). Directive 2003/17/EC introduced for 2005 new limit for S content in the fuels, both gasoline and diesel, 50% lower than the previous ones.

**Table 3.21 Fuel-Based Emission Factors for Road Transport**

National emission factors	Mg CO <sub>2</sub> /TJ	Mg CO <sub>2</sub> /Mg
Mtbe	73.072	-
Gasoline, 1990-'99, interpolated emission factor	71.034	3.121
Gasoline, test data, 2000-2011 <sup>b,c</sup>	71.864	3.141
Gasoline, test data, 2012-2019 <sup>c</sup>	73.338	3.140
Gas oil, 1990-'99, IPCC OECD <sup>a</sup>	73.274	3.127
Gas oil, engines, test data, 2000-2011 <sup>b,c</sup>	73.892	3.169
Gas oil, engines, test data, 2012-2019 <sup>c</sup>	73.648	3.151
LPG, 1990-'99, IPCCa Europe	64.350	3.000
LPG, test data, 2000-2019 <sup>b,c</sup>	65.592	3.024
Natural gas (dry) 1990	55.822	-
Natural gas (dry) 2019	57.632	-

a Revised 1996 IPCC Guidelines for National GHG Inventories, Reference Manual, ch1, tables 1-36 to 1-42

b APAT, 2003 [b]

c Emission factor in kg carbon/tonne, based on Fuel Experimental Station (Innovhub, several years)

Emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> and SO<sub>2</sub> can be broken down by vehicle type based on estimated fuel consumption factors and traffic data in a manner similar to the traffic-based emissions described below for other pollutants. The current inventory used fuel consumption factors expressed as grams of fuel per kilometre for each vehicle type and average speed calculated from the emission functions and speed-coefficients provided by the model COPERT 5 (EMISIA SA, 2020). Mileage and fuel consumptions calculated from COPERT functions are shown in Table 3.22 for each vehicle, fuel and road type in Italy in 2019.

**Table 3.22 Average fuel consumption and mileage for main vehicle category and road type, year 2019**

		Fuel Consumption (TJ)				Mileage (kveh_km)			
		Urban	Rural	Highway	TOTAL	Urban	Rural	Highway	TOTAL
Passenger Cars	Petrol	90,320	129,999	47,242	267,561	25,636,563	69,389,061	24,268,949	119,294,573
Passenger Cars	Petrol Hybrid	3,155	2,630	1,506	7,292	1,151,036	1,841,657	844,093	3,836,785
Passenger Cars	Diesel	131,266	288,249	144,134	563,649	40,456,064	137,537,946	68,247,210	246,241,220
Passenger Cars	Diesel Hybrid	227	534	502	1,263	68,163	240,844	145,415	454,422
Passenger Cars	LPG Bifuel	26,722	30,417	19,133	76,272	7,350,435	14,659,999	7,227,551	29,237,984
Passenger Cars	CNG Bifuel	16,139	12,035	8,234	36,408	3,553,299	5,093,062	3,197,969	11,844,331
Light Commercial Vehicles	Petrol	1,460	1,355	475	3,289	233,492	513,683	186,794	933,968
Light Commercial Vehicles	Diesel	44,893	61,079	29,035	135,007	10,200,682	22,441,500	8,160,546	40,802,728
Heavy Duty Trucks	Petrol	2	5	2	9	243	728	243	1,214
Heavy Duty Trucks	Diesel	26,940	54,470	130,835	212,245	2,055,560	6,500,848	14,913,089	23,469,498
Buses	Diesel	10,283	7,888	19,973	38,144	697,256	824,339	2,474,850	3,996,444
Buses	Diesel Hybrid	194	12	-	206	10,177	1,131	-	11,308
Buses	CNG	3,517	262	-	3,780	180,462	20,051	-	200,514
Mopeds	Petrol	2,392	1,025	-	3,418	3,200,395	1,371,598	-	4,571,993
Motorcycles	Petrol	22,011	10,666	1,863	34,540	14,038,121	8,188,904	1,169,843	23,396,868

Source: ISPRA elaborations

Notes: Biodiesel included in diesel; bioethanol included in gasoline.

### 3.5.3.2.1.1 Biofuels used and fossil fuel fraction in biodiesel

In Italy, as regards biofuels used in road transportation, biodiesel and biogasoline, almost all the commercial gasoline is practically still substantially an E0 (in 2019 the share of biogasoline is 0.4%, respect to the total road gasoline consumption), while the distributed diesel reaches up to 5-7% by volume of biodiesel in diesel fuel (in 2019 the share of biodiesel is 5.5%, respect to the total road diesel consumption). That is because Italian producers/refineries have decided since the beginning of the introduction of the obligations on biofuels to focus on biodiesel rather than on ethanol to comply with the European/Italian obligations to introduce biofuels on the market.

Biogasoline represents to date a minimum percentage out of the total gasoline including biogasoline consumption. According to the Renewable energy Directive (2009/28/EC) the amount of biogasoline reported in the Energy balance is equal to the renewable part of the fuel, calculated as the 37% of the total volume placed on the market.

Biodiesel has been tested since 1994 to 1996 before entering in production since 1998.

Until last submission, biodiesel emissions from the fossil component of the fuel were calculated on the basis of the percentage 5.5% indicated in the IPCC Working Group I “Note on fossil carbon content in biofuels” (prepared by Ioannis Sempos, 10 October 2018), according to which the “the fossil part of the FAME ranges from 5.3 to 5.5%”.

In submission 2021, the assessment of the biofuel origin has been carried out and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from fossil fuel content of biofuels in Italy have been estimated by the implementation of the Copert 5.4.36 tool “fossil

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fuel fraction in biodiesel”. In particular, the estimation is based on the Country specific data regarding the share of FAME in biodiesel (equal to 92.15% in 2019), deriving from data and information reported by Italy under Council Directive (EU) 2015/652 laying down calculation methods and reporting requirements pursuant to Directive 98/70/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council relating to the quality of petrol and diesel fuels.

#### **3.5.3.2.1.2 The fuel balance process**

An automatic fuel balancing procedure is implemented in Copert 5 to ensure that the breakdown of fuel consumption by each vehicle type calculated on the basis of the fuel consumption factors once added up matches the BEN figures for total fuel consumption in Italy (adjusted for off-road consumption).

In Copert 5 the automatic energy balance process has been introduced and it has been applied for this submission. This simulation is started up having the target to equalize calculated and statistical consumptions, separately for fuel, at national level, with the aim to obtain final estimates the most accurate as possible. Once all data and input parameters have been inserted and all options have been set reflecting the peculiar situation of the Country, emissions and consumptions are calculated by the model in the detail of the vehicle category legislation standard; then the aggregated consumption values so calculated are compared with the input statistical national aggregated values (deriving basically from the National Energy Balance, as described above), with the aim to minimize the deviation.

#### **3.5.3.2.2 Traffic-based emissions**

Emissions of NMVOC, NO<sub>x</sub>, CO, CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O are calculated from emission factors expressed in grams per kilometre and road traffic statistics estimated by ISPRA on the basis of data released from: Ministry of Transport (MIT, several years), the Automobile Club of Italy (ACI, several years), the National Association of Cycle-Motorcycle Accessories (ANCMA, several years), the National Institute of Statistics (ISTAT), the National Association of concessionaries of motorways and tunnels (AISCAT).

The emission factors are based on experimental measurements of emissions from in-service vehicles of different types driven under test cycles with different average speeds calculated from the emission functions and speed-coefficients provided by Copert 5 (EMISIA SA, 2020). This source provides emission functions and coefficients relating emission factors (in g/km) to average speed for each vehicle type and Euro emission standard derived by fitting experimental measurements to polynomial functions. These functions were then used to calculate emission factor values for each vehicle type and Euro emission standard at each of the average speeds of the road and area types.

Since 2020 submission, country specific hot emission factors for Euro 6 Small and Medium LPG passenger cars have been applied for: CO, NO<sub>x</sub>, VOC, PM Exhaust, FC, CH<sub>4</sub>, NH<sub>3</sub>, deriving from tests on five Euro 6 b/c bifuel LPG passenger cars (Innovhub, 2018).

N<sub>2</sub>O emission factors derive from the application of Copert 5 v.5.4.36 model (EMISIA SA, 2020).

Tier 3 is implemented, according to which N<sub>2</sub>O is connected to the aftertreatment devices, such as catalytic converters and diesel particle filters. N<sub>2</sub>O emissions are significant for catalyst vehicles, in particular when the catalyst is under partially oxidizing conditions, when the catalyst has not reached its light-off temperature yet or when the catalyst is aged. So N<sub>2</sub>O emissions depend on the vehicle age or cumulative mileage. Moreover, aftertreatment ageing depends upon the fuel sulphur level. Hence, different emission factors are explained by the variation in fuel sulphur content and in the driving conditions (EMEP/EEA, 2019). Copert model reports an emission factor equal to 0 for LPG and CNG passenger cars, and for conventional diesel passenger cars and light duty vehicles, while for heavy duty and buses diesel vehicles, as well as for gasoline passenger cars, light and heavy duty vehicles, mopeds and motorcycles, emission factors are available in the model. Because of those zero values, noticeable variations may appear between IEF referred to consecutive years where the fleet consists just of conventional vehicles and Euro 1 vehicles; such differences are then explained by the different share of Euro 1 vehicles out of the total. As regards newer vehicles, N<sub>2</sub>O emissions may derive as a byproduct from SCR systems, this issue needs to be monitored to reveal how much this could be a problem in real world conditions (EMEP/EEA, 2019).

The road traffic data used are vehicle kilometre estimates for the different vehicle types and different road classifications in the national road network. These data have to be further broken down by composition of each vehicle fleet in terms of the fraction of vehicles on the road powered by different fuels and in terms of the fraction of vehicles on the road relating to the different emission regulations which applied when the vehicle was first registered. These are related to the age profile of the vehicle fleet.

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It is beyond the scope of this paper to illustrate in details the COPERT 5 methodology: in brief, the emissions from motor vehicles fall into three different types calculated as hot exhaust emissions, cold-start emissions, and evaporative emissions for NMVOC; in addition, not exhaust emissions for PM and heavy metals deriving from road vehicle tyre and brake wear and road abrasion are contemplated.

Hot exhaust emissions are emissions from the vehicle exhaust when the engine has warmed up to its normal operating temperature. Emissions depend on the type of vehicle, type of fuel the engine runs on, the driving profile of the vehicle on a journey and the emission regulations applied when the vehicle was first registered as this defines the type of technology the vehicle is equipped with.

For a particular vehicle, the drive cycle over a journey is the key factor which determines the amount of pollutant emitted.

Key parameters affecting emissions are acceleration, deceleration, steady speed and idling characteristics of the journey, as well as other factors affecting load on the engine such as road gradient and vehicle weight. However, studies have shown that for modelling vehicle emissions over a road network at national scale, it is sufficient to calculate emissions from emission factors in g/km related to the average speed of the vehicle in the drive cycle (EMISIA, 2020). Emission factors for average speeds on the road network are then combined with the national road traffic data.

Emissions are calculated from vehicles of the following types:

- Gasoline passenger cars;
- Diesel passenger cars;
- LPG passenger cars;
- CNG passenger cars;
- Petrol Hybrid passenger cars;
- Diesel Hybrid passenger cars;
- Gasoline Light Goods Vehicles (Gross Vehicle Weight (GVW)  $\leq$  3.5 tonnes);
- Diesel Light Goods Vehicles (Gross Vehicle Weight (GVW)  $\leq$  3.5 tonnes);
- Rigid-axle Heavy Goods Vehicles (GVW  $>$  3.5 tonnes);
- Articulated Heavy Goods Vehicles (GVW  $>$  3.5 tonnes);
- Diesel Buses and coaches;
- Diesel Hybrid Buses;
- CNG Buses;
- Mopeds and motorcycles.

Basic data derive from different sources. Detailed data on the national fleet composition are found in the yearly report from ACI (ACI, several years), used from 1990 to 2006, except for mopeds for which estimates have been elaborated on the basis of National Association of Cycle-Motorcycle Accessories data on mopeds fleet composition and mileages (ANCMA, several years).

Starting from 2013 submission, specific fleet composition data were provided by the MIT for all vehicle categories from 2007 onwards. The Ministry of Transport in the national transport yearbook (MIT, several years) reports mileages time series. Furthermore, since 2015 MIT supplies information relating the distribution of old gasoline cars over the detailed vehicles categories (PRE ECE; ECE 15/00-01; ECE 15/02; ECE 15/03; ECE 15/04; information obtained from the registration year; data used for the updating of the time series since 2007).

Since 2014, MIT supplies updated information relating the reallocation of not defined vehicles categories (data used for the updating of the time series since 2007).

MIT data have been used relating to: the passenger cars (“Petrol Hybrid” passenger cars category are introduced from 2007 onwards, the mini petrol (Gasoline  $<$  0.8 l) passenger cars subsector is introduced since 2012 and diesel small (Diesel  $<$  1.4 l) subsector since 2007 onwards, in addition to the gasoline, diesel, LPG, CNG traditional ones); the diesel and gasoline light commercial vehicles; the breakdown of the heavy duty trucks, buses and coaches fleet according to the different weight classes and fuels (for HDT almost exclusively diesel, a negligible share consists of gasoline HDT vehicles; diesel for coaches; diesel, diesel hybrid and CNG for buses); the motorcycles fleet in the detail of subsector and legislation standard of both 2-stroke and 4-stroke categories.

Fleet values for urban buses have been updated according to the updating of the data on urban public buses, published on CNIT (Ministry of Transport, several years).

The National Institute of Statistics carries out annually a survey on heavy goods vehicles, including annual mileages (ISTAT, several years [b]).

The National Association of concessionaries of motorways and tunnels produces monthly statistics on highway mileages by light and heavy vehicles (AISCAT, several years).

The National General Confederation of Transport and Logistics (CONFETRA, several years) and the national Central Committee of road transporters (Giordano, 2007) supplied useful information and statistics about heavy goods vehicles fleet composition and mileages.

In the following Tables 3.23, 3.24, 3.25 and 3.26 detailed data on the relevant vehicle mileages in the circulating fleet are reported, subdivided according to the main emission regulations.

**Table 3.23 Passenger Cars technological evolution: circulating fleet calculated as stock data multiplied by effective mileage (%)**

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
PRE ECE, pre-1973	0.04	0.03	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
ECE 15/00-01, 1973-1978	0.10	0.04	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
ECE 15/02-03, 1978-1984	0.30	0.15	0.03	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01
ECE 15/04, 1985-1992	0.55	0.55	0.28	0.10	0.04	0.03	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02
PC Euro 1 - 91/441/EEC, from 1/1/93	0.00	0.24	0.27	0.17	0.05	0.02	0.02	0.01	0.01	0.01
PC Euro 2 - 94/12/EEC, from 1/1/97	-	-	0.39	0.32	0.21	0.12	0.10	0.09	0.08	0.07
PC Euro 3 - 98/69/EC Stage2000, from 1/1/2001	-	-	-	0.31	0.20	0.13	0.12	0.11	0.10	0.09
PC Euro 4 - 98/69/EC Stage2005, from 1/1/2006	-	-	-	0.09	0.44	0.37	0.35	0.33	0.31	0.28
PC Euro 5 - 2007/715/EC, from 1/1/2011	-	-	-	-	0.04	0.25	0.24	0.23	0.21	0.18
PC Euro 6 (Since 2007/715/EC, from 9/1/2015) - Euro 6 a/b/c	-	-	-	-	-	0.06	0.13	0.07	0.09	0.12
PC Euro 6 (Since 2007/715/EC, from 9/1/2015) - Euro 6 d-temp from 9/1/2019	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.13	0.17	0.22
<b>Total</b>	<b>1.00</b>									

**a. Gasoline cars technological evolution**

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Conventional, pre-1993	1.00	0.92	0.36	0.06	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
PC Euro 1 - 91/441/EEC, from 1/1/93	-	0.08	0.10	0.03	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
PC Euro 2 - 94/12/EEC, from 1/1/97	-	-	0.54	0.22	0.05	0.02	0.02	0.01	0.01	0.01
PC Euro 3 - 98/69/EC Stage2000, from 1/1/2001	-	-	-	0.57	0.31	0.15	0.14	0.11	0.09	0.08
PC Euro 4 - 98/69/EC Stage2005, from 1/1/2006	-	-	-	0.12	0.55	0.41	0.38	0.37	0.30	0.28
PC Euro 5 - 2007/715/EC, from 1/1/2011	-	-	-	-	0.07	0.36	0.32	0.30	0.30	0.28
PC Euro 6 (Since 2007/715/EC, from 9/1/2015) - Euro 6 a/b/c	-	-	-	-	0.00	0.05	0.14	0.07	0.10	0.12
PC Euro 6 (Since 2007/715/EC, from 9/1/2015) - Euro 6 d-temp from 9/1/2019	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.13	0.19	0.23
<b>Total</b>	<b>1.00</b>									

**b. Diesel cars technological evolution**

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Conventional, pre-1993	1.00	0.90	0.71	0.47	0.04	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01
PC Euro 1 - 91/441/EEC, from 1/1/93	-	0.10	0.20	0.26	0.02	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.00
PC Euro 2 - 94/12/EEC, from 1/1/97	-	-	0.09	0.19	0.08	0.03	0.03	0.02	0.02	0.02
PC Euro 3 - 98/69/EC Stage2000, from 1/1/2001	-	-	-	0.06	0.08	0.05	0.04	0.04	0.03	0.03
PC Euro 4 - 98/69/EC Stage2005, from 1/1/2006	-	-	-	0.01	0.75	0.46	0.42	0.38	0.35	0.31
PC Euro 5 - 2007/715/EC, from 1/1/2011	-	-	-	-	0.03	0.36	0.34	0.32	0.30	0.28
PC Euro 6 (Since 2007/715/EC, from 9/1/2015) - Euro 6 a/b/c	-	-	-	-	-	0.08	0.15	0.09	0.11	0.13
PC Euro 6 (Since 2007/715/EC, from 9/1/2015) - Euro 6 d-temp from 9/1/2019	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.14	0.18	0.23
<b>Total</b>	<b>1.00</b>									

**c. Lpg cars technological evolution**

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
PC from Conventional to Euro 4	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.91	0.58	0.54	0.51	0.47	0.44
PC Euro 5 - 2007/715/EC, from 1/1/2011	-	-	-	-	0.09	0.32	0.31	0.31	0.30	0.29
PC Euro 6 (Since 2007/715/EC, from 9/1/2015) - Euro 6 a/b/c	-	-	-	-	-	0.10	0.15	0.10	0.12	0.14
PC Euro 6 (Since 2007/715/EC, from 9/1/2015) - Euro 6 d-temp from 9/1/2019	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.08	0.10	0.13
<b>Total</b>	<b>1.00</b>									

#### d. CNG cars technological evolution

	2007	2008	2009	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
PC Euro 4 - 98/69/EC Stage2005, from 1/1/2006	1.00	1.00	0.65	0.54	0.22	0.07	0.04	0.03	0.02
PC Euro 5 - 2007/715/EC, from 1/1/2011	-	-	0.35	0.46	0.61	0.42	0.27	0.18	0.11
PC Euro 6 (Since 2007/715/EC, from 9/1/2015) - Euro 6 a/b/c	-	-	-	-	0.16	0.51	0.13	0.15	0.15
PC Euro 6 (Since 2007/715/EC, from 9/1/2015) - Euro 6 d-temp from 9/1/2019	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.56	0.64	0.72
Total	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00

#### e. Hybrid Gasoline cars technological evolution (from 2007 onwards)

	2007	2008	2009	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
PC Euro 6 (Since 2007/715/EC, from 9/1/2015) - Euro 6 a/b/c	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.69	0.42	0.11
PC Euro 6 (Since 2007/715/EC, from 9/1/2015) - Euro 6 d-temp from 9/1/2019	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.31	0.58	0.89
Total	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00

#### f. Hybrid Diesel cars technological evolution (from 2007 onwards)

Source: ISPRA elaborations on ACI and MIT data

**Table 3.24 Light Duty Vehicles technological evolution: circulating fleet calculated as stock data multiplied by effective mileage (%)**

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Conventional, pre 10/1/94	1.00	0.93	0.63	0.35	0.08	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.05	0.03
LCV Euro 1 - 93/59/EEC, from 10/1/94	-	0.07	0.22	0.17	0.10	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.03	0.02
LCV Euro 2 - 96/69/EEC, from 10/1/98	-	-	0.15	0.15	0.30	0.15	0.15	0.14	0.12	0.06
LCV Euro 3 - 98/69/EC Stage2000, from 1/1/2002	-	-	-	0.31	0.26	0.19	0.19	0.18	0.15	0.11
LCV Euro 4 - 98/69/EC Stage2005, from 1/1/2007	-	-	-	0.01	0.25	0.32	0.32	0.32	0.28	0.24
LCV Euro 5 - 2008 Standards 715/2007/EC, from 1/1/2012	-	-	-	-	0.004	0.22	0.20	0.17	0.19	0.17
LCV Euro 6 (Since 2007/715/EC, from 9/1/2016) - Euro 6 a/b/c	-	-	-	-	-	0.02	0.05	0.09	0.06	0.11
LCV Euro 6 (Since 2007/715/EC, from 9/1/2016) - Euro 6 d-temp	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.11	0.25
Total	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00

#### a. Gasoline Light Commercial Vehicles technological evolution

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Conventional, pre 10/1/94	1.00	0.92	0.55	0.23	0.07	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.01	0.01
LCV Euro 1 - 93/59/EEC, from 10/1/94	-	0.08	0.21	0.11	0.05	0.02	0.02	0.01	0.01	0.01
LCV Euro 2 - 96/69/EEC, from 10/1/98	-	-	0.23	0.20	0.18	0.07	0.06	0.04	0.03	0.02
LCV Euro 3 - 98/69/EC Stage2000, from 1/1/2002	-	-	-	0.45	0.34	0.21	0.18	0.12	0.09	0.07
LCV Euro 4 - 98/69/EC Stage2005, from 1/1/2007	-	-	-	0.01	0.34	0.33	0.29	0.27	0.23	0.18
LCV Euro 5 - 2008 Standards 715/2007/EC, from 1/1/2012	-	-	-	-	0.01	0.35	0.37	0.35	0.34	0.33
LCV Euro 6 (Since 2007/715/EC, from 9/1/2016) - Euro 6 a/b/c	-	-	-	-	0.00	0.01	0.07	0.19	0.12	0.17
LCV Euro 6 (Since 2007/715/EC, from 9/1/2016) - Euro 6 d-temp	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.16	0.22
Total	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00

#### b. Diesel Light Commercial Vehicles technological evolution

Source: ISPRA elaborations on ACI and MIT data

**Table 3.25 Heavy Duty Trucks and Buses technological evolution: circulating fleet calculated as stock data multiplied by effective mileage (%)**

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Conventional, pre 10/1/93	1.00	0.90	0.67	0.39	0.20	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.01
HDT Euro I - 91/542/EEC Stage I, from 10/1/93	-	0.10	0.10	0.06	0.04	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01
HDT Euro II - 91/542/EEC Stage II, from 10/1/96	-	-	0.22	0.27	0.15	0.08	0.07	0.06	0.05	0.05
HDT Euro III - 2000 Standards, 99/96/EC, from 10/1/2001	-	-	-	0.27	0.36	0.34	0.31	0.28	0.25	0.22

HDT Euro IV - 2005 Standards, 99/96/EC, from 10/1/2006	-	-	-	-	0.07	0.10	0.09	0.08	0.08	0.07
HDT Euro V - 2008 Standards, 99/96/EC, from 10/1/2009	-	-	-	-	0.18	0.38	0.37	0.36	0.34	0.33
HDT Euro VI (Since 2009/595/EC, from 12/31/2013) - Euro VI A/B/C	-	-	-	-	-	0.07	0.13	0.19	0.15	0.18
HDT Euro VI (Since 2009/595/EC, from 12/31/2013) - Euro VI D/E	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.10	0.13
Total	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00

#### a. Heavy Duty Trucks technological evolution

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Conventional, pre 10/1/93	1.00	0.93	0.65	0.34	0.13	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01
Buses Euro I - 91/542/EEC Stage I, from 10/1/93	-	0.07	0.07	0.08	0.04	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.01
Buses Euro II - 91/542/EEC Stage II, from 10/1/96	-	-	0.28	0.32	0.27	0.14	0.13	0.11	0.08	0.08
Buses Euro III - 2000 Standards, 99/96/EC, from 10/1/2001	-	-	-	0.26	0.34	0.38	0.35	0.32	0.28	0.25
Buses Euro IV - 2005 Standards, 99/96/EC, from 10/1/2006	-	-	-	-	0.12	0.13	0.12	0.11	0.11	0.11
Buses Euro V - 2008 Standards, 99/96/EC, from 10/1/2009	-	-	-	-	0.11	0.28	0.28	0.29	0.27	0.27
Buses Euro VI (Since 2009/595/EC, from 12/31/2013) - Euro VI A/B/C	-	-	-	-	-	0.05	0.10	0.16	0.13	0.15
Buses Euro VI (Since 2009/595/EC, from 12/31/2013) - Euro VI D/E	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.11	0.13
Total	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00

#### b. Diesel Buses technological evolution

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Urban CNG Buses Conventional, pre 10/1/93; Urban CNG Buses Euro I - 91/542/EEC Stage I, from 10/1/93	1.00	1.00	0.11	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Urban CNG Buses Euro II - 91/542/EEC Stage II, from 10/1/96	-	-	0.89	0.20	0.10	0.05	0.04	0.04	0.03	0.03
Urban CNG Buses Euro III - 2000 Standards, 99/96/EC, from 10/1/2001; Urban CNG Buses Euro IV - 2005 Standards, 99/96/EC, from 10/1/2006	-	-	-	0.79	0.09	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.06	0.06
Euro V - 2008 Standards, 99/96/EC, from 10/1/2009; EEV (Enhanced environmentally friendly vehicle; ref. 2001/27/EC and 1999/96/EC line C, optional limit emission values); Urban CNG Buses Euro VI - EC 595/2009, from 12/31/2013	-	-	-	-	0.81	0.88	0.88	0.89	0.90	0.91
Total	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00

#### c. CNG Buses technological evolution

	2007	2008	2009	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Buses Euro VI (Since 2009/595/EC, from 12/31/2013) - Euro VI A/B/C	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.27	0.11
Buses Euro VI (Since 2009/595/EC, from 12/31/2013) - Euro VI D/E	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.73	0.89
Total	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00

#### d. Diesel Hybrid Buses technological evolution (from 2007 onwards)

Source: ISPRA elaborations on ACI and MIT data

**Table 3.26 Mopeds and motorcycles technological evolution: circulating fleet calculated as stock data multiplied by effective mileage (%)**

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Mopeds and motorcycles - Conventional	1.00	1.00	0.86	0.43	0.18	0.11	0.10	0.11	0.11	0.11
Mopeds and motorcycles - Euro 1	-	-	0.14	0.30	0.20	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.11	0.11
Mopeds and motorcycles - Euro 2	-	-	-	0.22	0.35	0.34	0.33	0.31	0.30	0.23
Mopeds and motorcycles - Euro 3	-	-	-	0.04	0.27	0.42	0.43	0.41	0.39	0.41
Mopeds and motorcycles - Euro 4	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.01	0.05	0.10	0.14
Mopeds and motorcycles - Euro 5	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0002
Total	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00

Source: ISPRA elaborations on ACI, ANCMMA and MIT data

Average emission factors are calculated for average speeds by three driving modes: urban, rural and motorway, combined with the vehicle kilometres travelled and vehicle categories.

ISPRA estimates total annual vehicle kilometres for the road network in Italy by vehicle type, see Table 3.27, based on data from various sources:

- Ministry of Transport (MIT, several years) for rural roads and on other motorways; the latter estimates are based on traffic counts from the rotating census and core census surveys of ANAS;
- highway industrial association for fee-motorway (AISCAT, several years);
- local authorities for built-up areas (urban).

**Table 3.27 Evolution of fleet consistency and mileage**

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
All passenger vehicles (including moto), total mileage (10 <sup>9</sup> veh-km/y)	350	412	455	453	450	444	445	447	441	443
Car fleet (10 <sup>6</sup> )	27	30	32	34	36	37	38	38	39	40
Moto, total mileage (10 <sup>9</sup> veh-km/y)	30	41	42	42	36	33	31	28	27	28
Moto fleet (10 <sup>6</sup> )	7	7	9	9	9	10	10	10	10	10
Goods transport, total mileage (10 <sup>9</sup> veh-km/y)	69	76	83	104	83	62	60	52	65	65
Truck fleet (10 <sup>6</sup> ), including LDV	2	3	3	4	5	5	5	5	5	5

Source: ISPRA elaborations

Notes: The passenger vehicles include passenger cars, buses and moto; the moto fleet includes mopeds and motorcycles; in the goods transport light commercial vehicles and heavy duty trucks are included.

When a vehicle engine is cold, it emits at a higher rate than when it has warmed up to its designed operating temperature. This is particularly true for gasoline engines and the effect is even more severe for cars fitted with three-way catalysts, as the catalyst does not function properly until the catalyst is also warmed up. Emission factors have been derived for cars and LCVs from tests performed with the engine starting cold and warmed up. The difference between the two measurements can be regarded as an additional cold-start penalty paid on each trip a vehicle is started with the engine (and catalyst) cold.

Evaporative emissions of gasoline fuel vapour from the tank and fuel delivery system in vehicles constitute a significant fraction of total NMVOC and methane emissions from road transport. Nevertheless, the contribution of evaporative emissions to total NMVOC emissions decreased significantly since the introduction of carbon canisters. Breathing losses through the tank vent and fuel permeations and leakages are considered the most important sources of evaporative emissions. The estimation of evaporative emissions takes into account three different mechanisms: diurnal emissions (depending on daily temperature variations), running losses (during the vehicles use) and hot soak emissions (following the vehicles use). The process of fuelling of vehicles is not considered here. The procedure for estimating evaporative emissions of NMVOCs takes account of gasoline volatility, the absolute ambient temperature and temperature changes, the characteristics of vehicles design; the driving pattern is also significant for hot soak emissions and running losses (EMEP/EEA, 2019).

### 3.5.3.3 Uncertainty and time-series consistency

The combined uncertainty in CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from road transport is estimated to be about 4% in annual emissions; a higher uncertainty is calculated for CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions because of the uncertainty levels attributed to the related emission factors.

Montecarlo analysis has been carried out by EMISIA<sup>3</sup> on behalf of the Joint Research Centre (Kouridis et al., 2010) in the framework of the study “Uncertainty estimates and guidance for road transport emission calculations” for 2005 emissions; a summary of main results of study are reported in Annex 1. The study shows an uncertainty assessment, at Italian level, for road transport emissions on the basis of 2005 input parameters of the COPERT 4 model (v. 7.0).

The following Table 3.28 summarizes the time series of GHG emissions in CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent from road transport, highlighting the evolution of this source, characterized by an upward trend in CO<sub>2</sub> emission levels from 1990 to 2007, which is explained by the increasing of the fleet, total mileages, and fuel consumptions and by a decreasing trend from 2007 onwards, due, on one side, to the economical crisis, and on another side, to the propagation of the number of vehicles with low fuel consumption per kilometre. In 2019, with respect to 2007, a reduction in total mileages, fuel consumptions (gasoline and diesel) and consequently CO<sub>2</sub> emissions has been noted.

<sup>3</sup> EMISIA: [www.emisia.com](http://www.emisia.com)

CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emission trends are consequence of the penetration of new technologies according to the main emission regulations. Specifically, CH<sub>4</sub> and more in general VOC emissions have reduced along the time series due to the introduction of VOC abatement devices on vehicles, in agreement with the legislation emission limits, and the rate of penetration of the new vehicles into the national fleet.

The time series of N<sub>2</sub>O emissions and implied emission factors are prevalently driven by the fleet composition and the penetration rate of the new vehicles/technologies. Moreover, in the COPERT model, N<sub>2</sub>O emission factors depend also on the sulphur content of the fuel. In particular, significant drops of emissions and implied emission factors are observed in 1999-2000 and in 2004-2005 which are explained by the different fuel specifications in those years due to the application of the relevant European Directives on fuel quality.

The sulphur content (% wt) in gasoline was 0.04 and 0.007 respectively in 1999 and 2000 and 0.0055 and 0.0025 respectively in 2004 and 2005 and changed from 0.0226 in 2004 to 0.0035 in 2005 for diesel oil.

**Table 3.28 GHG emissions from road transport (kt CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent)**

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
CO <sub>2</sub> kt	92,331.74	103,532.11	111,524.48	117,111.93	104,658.72	98,346.44	96,863.25	92,746.10	95,776.52	96,606.46
CH <sub>4</sub> kt CO <sub>2</sub> eq	867.12	975.72	729.83	469.69	278.64	207.98	194.14	182.41	179.60	185.57
N <sub>2</sub> O kt CO <sub>2</sub> eq	862.16	1,616.21	1,475.11	1,024.94	973.81	930.69	935.72	905.41	935.50	947.29
Total kt CO <sub>2</sub> eq	94,061.02	106,124.04	113,729.42	118,606.56	105,911.17	99,485.10	97,993.10	93,833.91	96,891.62	97,739.32

Source: ISPRA elaborations

#### 3.5.3.4 Source-specific QA/QC and verification

Data used for estimating emissions from the road transport sector derive from different sources, including official statistics providers and industrial associations.

A specific procedure undertaken for improving the inventory in the sector regards the establishment of a national expert panel in road transport which involves, on a voluntary basis, different institutions, local agencies and industrial associations cooperating for improving activity data and emission factors accuracy. In this group, emission estimates are presented annually, and new methodologies are shared and discussed. Reports and data of the meetings can be found at the following address: [http://groupware.sinanet.isprambiente.it/expert\\_panel/library](http://groupware.sinanet.isprambiente.it/expert_panel/library). In addition, road transport emission factors are shared and publicly available on the website <http://www.sinanet.isprambiente.it/it/sia-ispra/fetransp>.

Besides, time series resulting from the recalculation due to the application of COPERT have been discussed over time with national experts in the framework of an ad hoc working group on air emissions inventories. The group is chaired by ISPRA and includes participants from the local authorities responsible for the preparation of local inventories, sectoral experts, the Ministry of Environment, Land and Sea, and air quality model experts. Recalculations are comparable with those resulting from application of the model at local level. Top-down and bottom-up approaches have been compared with the aim to identify the major problems and future possible improvements in the methodology to be addressed.

#### 3.5.3.5 Source-specific recalculations

The annual update of the emissions time series from road transport implies a periodic review process.

In 2021 submission the historical series has been revised mainly as a result of the upgrade of Copert model version used (from version 5.2.2 in last submission to 5.4.36 in submission 2021), which resulted in various methodological updates, the main ones being: new emission factors for mopeds 4-stroke; new emission factors for motorcycles; revised evaporation factors for Euro 6d-temp and Euro 6d passenger cars and light commercial vehicles; revised Euro 6 LCV NO<sub>x</sub> emissions factors; calculation of the fossil fuel fraction in biodiesel; updated emission factors for Euro 5 diesel PCs and LCVs (N1-I) for NO<sub>x</sub>, VOC and CO, new category added (with software update); updated naming for Euro 6 PCs and LCVs (Euro 6 a/b/c, Euro 6 d-temp, and Euro 6d) and HDVs (Euro VI A/B/C and Euro VI D/E); updated emission factors for Euro 6 PCs (petrol: CO, PM, NO<sub>x</sub>, VOC; petrol hybrid: PM; LPG and CNG ~ petrol: NO<sub>x</sub>, VOC; Diesel: CO) and LCVs (petrol: PM; diesel: CO for N1-I only); new vehicle categories and emission factors added (petrol PHEV, diesel PHEV, busses hybrid).

Italian road vehicles electricity consumption data, introduced in last Copert version, derives from Eurostat database (<https://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/data/database>).

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The change of the version was also the chance for a general revision of input data and parameters. In particular, as regards consumptions, in 2006 and 2007, biodiesel consumptions values have been revised upwards according to a different Ministry of Economic Development data source so that road transport consumptions historical series is more consistent than previously; natural gas consumption values have been updated according to revisions applied to parameters considered in the calculation.

As regards fleet data, motorcycles 2-stroke >50 cm<sup>3</sup> fleet has been estimated, on the basis of Ministry of Transport data, also for the years 1990 – 2004 (until last submission for these years it was accounted in motorcycles 4-stroke <250 cm<sup>3</sup> category); mopeds circulating fleet estimation has been revised on the basis of a joint assessment of ANCMA statistics and Ministry of Transport data, in order to address some inconsistencies related to old and not classified vehicles in Ministry of Transport database (revisions relate years since 2001: updated estimated values for the real circulating fleet result lower for the years from 2001 to 2011 and higher since 2012, respect to last submission values). The highway driving share has been revised in order to better adhere to national transport statistics, in particular as regards freight transport.

Data and information about vehicles radiations, supplied from Ministry of Transport for this submission, have been applied in the detail of the vehicle category and of the year for the whole historical series, resulting in a reduction of the real circulating fleet values estimation in the past years.

From the joint effect of the radiations and of the other updates applied, the recalculations in the emissions, from previous submission, differ from year to year.

Furthermore, biodiesel emissions from the fossil component of the fuel have been calculated on the basis of Copert 5.4.36 tool “fossil fuel fraction in biodiesel”, as explained before. Emissions values relating the fossil fraction of biodiesel have been accounted in the CRF categories: “1.A.3.b.i Other Fossil Fuels”, “1.A.3.b.ii Other Fossil Fuel”, “1.A.3.b.iii Other Fossil Fuel”, while the consumption values have been included in the total biomass consumption values for the corresponding vehicle categories, according to last Copert version settings.

According to the 2006 IPCC Guidelines, emission estimates from lubricants have been reported under IPPU except lubricants used in two stroke engines in road transport; so CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from lubricants have been detailed and attributed just to the two stroke engines in road transport (“1.A.3.b.iv, Other liquid fuels”), calculated by Copert model, while the remaining share has been considered in the IPPU sector.

Differences between 2021 and previous submission, for road transport GHG emissions, account for +0.04% in 1990 and +0.03% in 2018; the recalculations registered for the driver carbon dioxide values are +0.02% in 1990 and -0.02% in 2018; as regards methane, discrepancies vary from -0.2% in 1990 to -0.4% in 2018; emissions of nitrous oxide show variations of +2.3% in 1990 and +5.1% in 2018. In Table 3.29 the recalculation time series is reported for all gases.

**Table 3.29 Emission recalculations in road transport 1990 - 2018 (%)**

Year	CO <sub>2</sub>	CH <sub>4</sub>	N <sub>2</sub> O
1990	0.02%	-0.2%	2.3%
1991	0.02%	-0.3%	2.1%
1992	0.02%	-0.3%	1.8%
1993	0.02%	-0.3%	1.5%
1994	0.02%	-0.3%	1.2%
1995	0.02%	-0.3%	1.4%
1996	0.02%	-0.4%	1.5%
1997	0.02%	-0.4%	1.2%
1998	0.02%	-0.4%	1.0%
1999	0.02%	-0.5%	1.3%
2000	0.02%	-0.5%	-1.0%
2001	0.02%	-0.8%	-1.0%
2002	0.02%	-1.4%	-1.4%
2003	0.02%	-2.0%	-1.4%
2004	0.02%	-2.7%	-1.3%
2005	0.00%	-1.5%	-22.3%
2006	0.01%	-1.2%	-18.2%
2007	0.01%	-1.4%	2.0%
2008	-0.01%	-1.8%	2.4%
2009	-0.02%	-2.0%	2.9%
2010	-0.03%	-2.9%	4.2%
2011	-0.03%	-2.3%	3.8%
2012	-0.02%	-0.3%	4.4%
2013	-0.02%	-0.8%	3.8%
2014	-0.01%	-1.3%	3.8%
2015	-0.02%	-1.8%	3.8%
2016	-0.02%	-1.7%	4.2%
2017	-0.02%	-3.4%	3.6%
2018	-0.02%	-0.4%	5.1%

Source: ISPRA elaborations

### 3.5.3.6 Source-specific planned improvements

Improvements for the next submission will be connected to the possible new availability of data and information regarding activity data, calculation factors and parameters, new developments of the methodology and the update of the software.

## 3.5.4 Navigation

### 3.5.4.1 Source category description

This source category includes all emissions from fuels delivered to water-borne navigation.

Mainly CO<sub>2</sub> emissions derive from this category, whereas CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions are less important.

Emissions from navigation constituted 4.3% of the total GHG in the transport sector in 2019 and about 1.1% of the national total (considering CO<sub>2</sub> only, the share of emissions from navigation out of the total is almost the same). GHG emissions decreased by -18.2% from 1990 to 2019, because of the reduction in fuel consumed in harbour and navigation activities; the number of movements, showing an increase since 1990, reverses the trend in recent years, to become rather stable between 2015 and 2017, with an upward trend in the 2018-2019. CO<sub>2</sub> from waterborne navigation is key category both in 1990 and 2019, in level (Tier 1) with and without LULUCF.

### 3.5.4.2 Methodological issues

Emissions of the Italian inventory from the navigation sector are carried out according to the IPCC Guidelines and Good Practice Guidance (IPCC, 1997; IPCC, 2000; IPCC 2006) and the EMEP/EEA Guidebook (EMEP/EEA, 2019). In particular, a national methodology has been developed following the EMEP/EEA

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Guidebook which provides details to estimate emissions from domestic navigation, specifying recreational craft, ocean-going ships by cruise and harbour activities; emissions from international navigation are also estimated and included as memo item but not included in national totals (EMEP/EEA, 2019). Inland, coastal and deep-sea fishing are estimated and reported under 1.A.4.c. International inland waterways do not occur in Italy.

The methodology developed to estimate emissions is based on the following assumptions and information. Activity data comprise both fuel consumptions and ship movements, which are available in different level of aggregation and derive from different sources as specified here below:

Total deliveries of fuel oil, gas oil and marine diesel oil to marine transport are given in national energy balance (MSE, several years (a)) but the split between domestic and international is not provided;

Naval fuel consumption for inland waterways, ferries connecting mainland to islands and leisure boats, is also reported in the national energy balance as it is the fuel for shipping (MSE, several years (a));

Data on annual arrivals and departures of domestic and international shipping calling at Italian harbours are reported by the National Institute of Statistics in the statistics yearbooks (ISTAT, several years (a)) and Ministry of Transport in the national transport statistics yearbooks (MIT, several years).

As for emission and consumption factors, figures are derived by the EMEP/EEA guidebook (EMEP/EEA, 2019), both for recreational and harbour activities and national cruise, taking into account national specificities as the structural characteristic of national harbours, including typical times for maneuvering and time spent in the harbour as well as the distribution of ships in terms of ferries, container ships, cargo. These specificities derive from the results of a national study which, taking into account detailed information on the Italian marine fleet and the origin-destination movement matrix for the year 1997, calculated national values (ANPA, 2001; Trozzi et al., 2002 (b)) on the basis of the default emission and consumption factors reported in the EMEP/CORINAIR guidebook (EMEP/CORINAIR, 2007) and they have not been changed too much in the last years.

National average emissions and consumption factors were therefore estimated for harbour and cruise activities both for domestic and international shipping from 1990 to 1999. In 2009 submission the study was updated for the years 2004, 2005 and 2006 in order to consider most recent trends in the maritime sector both in terms of modelling between domestic and international consumptions and improvements of operational activities in harbour (TECHNE, 2009). On the basis of the results, national average emissions and consumption factors were updated from 2000.

Specifically, for the years referred to in the surveys, the current method estimates emissions from the number of ships movements broken down by ship type at each of the principal Italian ports considering the information of whether the ship movement is international or domestic, the average tonnage and the relevant distance travelled.

For those years, in fact, figures on the number of arrivals, destination, and fleet composition have been provided by the local port authorities and by the National Institute of Statistics (ISTAT, 2009), covering about 90% of the official national statistics on ship movements for the relevant years. Consumption and emission factors are those derived from the EMEP/CORINAIR guidebook (EMEP/CORINAIR, 2007) and refer to the Tier 3 ship movement methodology that takes into account origin-destination ship movements matrices as well as technical information on the ships, as engine size, gross tonnage of ships and operational times in harbours. Based on sample information, estimates have been carried out at national level for the relevant years considering the official statistics of the maritime sector.

In general, to carry out national estimates of greenhouse gases and other pollutants in the Italian inventory for harbour and domestic cruise activities, consumptions and emissions are calculated for the complete time series using the average consumption and emission factors multiplied by the total number of movements.

On the other hand, for international cruise, consumptions are derived by difference from the total fuel consumption reported in the national energy balance and the estimated values as described above and emissions are therefore calculated.

For maritime transportation only by Directive 1999/32/EC European Union started to examine environmental impact of navigation and in particular the sulphur content of fuels. This directive was amended by Directive 2005/33/EC that designated Baltic sea, English channel and north sea as sulphur emission control areas (SECA) limiting the content of sulphur in the fuel for these areas and introducing a limit of 0.1% of the sulphur content in the fuel used in EU harbours from 2010.

EU legislation combined with national normative resulted in the introduction of a limit of sulphur content in maritime gasoil equal to 0.2% (2% before) from 2002 and 0.1% from 2010 while for fuel oil some limits occur only from 2008 (maximum sulphur content of 1.5 % in harbour) and from 2010, 2% in domestic waters and

1% in harbour. For inland waterways, which include the navigation on the Po river and ferry-boats in the Venice lagoon, the same legislation is applied.

The composition of the fleet of gasoline fuelled recreational craft distinguished in two strokes and four strokes engine distribution is provided by the industrial category association (UCINA, several years); the trend of the average emission factors takes into account the switch from two strokes to four strokes engines of the national fleet due to the introduction in the market of new models. In 2000, the composition of the fleet was 90% two stroke engine equipped and 10% four stroke while in the last year four strokes engines are about 53% of the fleet. Gasoline fuel consumption for recreational crafts is not available on the National Energy balance for the last years so it is estimated on the basis of the fleet which has not significantly changed in the last years.

The fuel split between national and international use in maritime transportation is then supplied to the Ministry of the Economical Development to be included in the official international submission of energy statistics to the IEA in the context of the Joint Questionnaire OECD/EUROSTAT/IEA compilation together with other energy data. A discrepancy with the international bunkers reported to the IEA still remains, especially for the nineties, because the time series of the energy statistics to the IEA are not updated.

#### 3.5.4.3 *Uncertainty and time-series consistency*

The combined uncertainty in CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from maritime is estimated to be about 3% in annual emissions; a higher uncertainty is calculated for CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions on account of the uncertainty levels attributed to the related emission factors.

Estimates of fuel consumption for domestic use, in the national harbours or for travel within two Italian destinations, and bunker fuels used for international travels are reported in Table 3.30. Time series of domestic GHG emissions for waterborne navigation are also shown in the same table.

An upward trend in emission levels is observed from 1990 to 2000, explained by the increasing number of ship movements. Nevertheless, the operational improvements in harbour activities and a reduction in ship domestic movements inverted the tendency in the last years.

**Table 3.30 Marine fuel consumptions in domestic navigation and international bunkers (Gg) and GHG emissions from domestic navigation (Gg CO<sub>2</sub> eq.)**

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Gasoline for recreational craft (Gg)	182	210	213	199	169	97	96	95	94	93
Diesel oil for inland waterways (Gg)	20	23	20	25	18	27	27	29	28	24
Fuels used in domestic cruise navigation (Gg)	778	706	811	740	725	545	542	546	578	640
Fuel in harbours (dom+int ships) (Gg)	748	693	818	759	744	559	556	560	593	656
Fuel in international Bunkers (Gg)	1,403	1,287	1,306	2,147	2,175	1,742	2,107	2,240	2,243	2,034
Emissions from National Navigation (Gg)										
CO <sub>2</sub> (Gg)	5,470	5,163	5,903	5,459	5,249	3,900	3,887	3,902	4,100	4,484
CH <sub>4</sub> (Gg CO <sub>2</sub> eq.)	35	38	38	34	28	17	17	17	17	17
N <sub>2</sub> O (Gg CO <sub>2</sub> eq.)	38	35	41	38	37	28	28	28	30	33
<b>Total (Gg CO<sub>2</sub> eq.)</b>	<b>5,543</b>	<b>5,236</b>	<b>5,983</b>	<b>5,531</b>	<b>5,315</b>	<b>3,953</b>	<b>3,922</b>	<b>3,947</b>	<b>4,147</b>	<b>4,535</b>

Source: ISPRA elaborations

#### 3.5.4.4 *Source-specific QA/QC and verification*

Basic data to estimate emissions are reconstructed starting from information on ship movements and fleet composition coming from different sources. Data collected in the framework of the national study from the local port authorities, carried out in 2009 (TECHNE, 2009), were compared with the official statistics supplied by ISTAT, which are collected from maritime operators with a yearly survey and communicated at international level to EUROSTAT. Differences and problems were analysed in details and solved together with ISTAT experts. Different sources of data are usually used and compared during the compilation of the annual inventory.

Besides, time series resulting from the recalculation have been presented to the national experts in the framework of an ad hoc working group on air emissions inventories. The group is chaired by ISPRA and includes participants from the local authorities responsible for the preparation of local inventories, sectoral experts, the Ministry of Environment, Land and Sea, and air quality model experts. Top-down and bottom-up approaches have been compared with the aim to identify the potential problems and future improvements to

be addressed. There is also an ongoing collaboration and data exchange with regional environmental agencies on this issue.

#### **3.5.4.5 Source-specific recalculations**

Recalculations, respect to the previous submission, have regarded inland waterways emissions due to the update of gasoline fuel consumption time series from 2012, on the basis of the percentage of two and four stroke engine and their average fuel consumption, and the update of percentage of four stroke engines with respect of two strokes for 2018, slightly affecting CO<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions. Moreover the number of ship arrived ni domestic harbours in 2018 and the relevant fuel consumption have been updated.

#### **3.5.4.6 Source-specific planned improvements**

Further improvements will regard a verification of activity data on ship movements and emission estimates with regional environmental agencies, especially with those more affected by maritime pollution. In particular, we plan to build an emission estimation database which calculate every year emissions at harbor level taking in account of the information officially provided by Italy to Eurostat per type of ship, class of tonnage and movement statistics.

### **3.5.5 Other transportation**

#### **3.5.5.1 Source category description**

This category includes all emissions from fuels delivered to the transportation by pipelines and storage of natural gas. Mainly CO<sub>2</sub> emissions derive from this category, as well as the other relevant pollutants typical of a combustion process, such as SO<sub>x</sub>, NO<sub>x</sub>, CO and PM. CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions are also estimated. This category is not a key category.

#### **3.5.5.2 Methodological issues**

Emissions from pipeline compressors are carried out according to the IPCC Guidelines and are estimated on the basis of natural gas fuel consumption used for the compressors and the relevant emission factors. The amount of fuel consumption is estimated on the basis of data supplied for the whole time series by the national operators of natural gas distribution (SNAM, several years; STOGIT, several years) and refers to the fuel consumption for the gas storage and transportation; this consumption is part of the fuel consumption reported in the national energy balance in the consumption and losses sheet (MSE, several years [a]). Emission factors are those reported in the EMEP/EEA Guidebook for gas turbines (EMEP/CORINAIR, 2007), except for CO<sub>2</sub> for natural gas which is the country specific value used for the whole energy sector reported in Table 3.12. Emissions communicated by the national operators in their environmental reports are also taken into account to estimate air pollutants.

#### **3.5.5.3 Uncertainty and time-series consistency**

The combined uncertainty is estimated to be about 3% in annual emissions; a higher uncertainty is calculated for CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions on account of the uncertainty levels attributed to the related emission factors. Fluctuations and time series are driven both by the general trend of total natural gas fuel consumed (and transported) and by the annual fluctuation of the storage activities, which are driven by the price fluctuation of the natural gas.

Natural gas fuel consumption for pipeline compressors increased from 7,359 TJ in 1990 to 11.739 TJ in 2019 with a peak of 19,098 TJ in 2010. GHG emissions follow the same trend of fuel consumption.

**Table 3.31 Pipelines transport consumptions (Tj) and GHG emissions (Gg CO<sub>2</sub> eq.)**

<b>Pipeline transport</b>	<b>1990</b>	<b>1995</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>
Consumption (TJ)	7,359	11,556	15,367	15,940	19,098	9,662	11,597	13,141	13,770	11,739
Emissions from Pipelines (Gg)										
CO <sub>2</sub> (Gg CO <sub>2</sub> eq.)	410.72	646.53	864.37	900.21	1,106.63	556.84	674.27	762.19	796.56	677.84
CH <sub>4</sub> (Gg CO <sub>2</sub> eq.)	0.46	0.72	0.96	1.00	1.19	0.60	0.72	0.82	0.86	0.73
N <sub>2</sub> O (Gg CO <sub>2</sub> eq.)	6.58	10.33	13.74	14.25	17.07	8.64	10.37	11.75	12.31	10.49
<b>Total (Gg CO<sub>2</sub> eq.)</b>	<b>417.76</b>	<b>657.58</b>	<b>879.07</b>	<b>915.46</b>	<b>1,124.90</b>	<b>566.09</b>	<b>685.36</b>	<b>774.76</b>	<b>809.73</b>	<b>689.07</b>

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Source: ISPRA elaborations

#### **3.5.5.4 Source-specific QA/QC and verification**

Basic data to estimate emissions are reconstructed starting from information on fuel consumptions coming from different sources. Fuel consumptions reported by the national operators for this activity are compared with the amount of natural gas internal consumption and losses reported in the energy balance. Starting from the length of pipelines, the average energy consumptions by kilometre are calculated and used for verification of data collected by the operators. Energy consumptions and emissions by kilometre calculated on the basis of data supplied by the main national operator (SNAM, several years) are used to estimate the figures for the other operators when their annual data are not available.

#### **3.5.5.5 Source-specific recalculations**

No specific recalculations were performed concerning this source.

#### **3.5.5.6 Source-specific planned improvements**

No further improvements are planned.

## 3.6 Other sectors

### 3.6.1 Sector overview

In this paragraph sectoral emissions are reported, which originate from energy use in the civil sector included in category 1.A.4. Commercial, institutional, residential, agriculture/forestry/fisheries, and emissions from military mobile activities which are also included in category 1.A.5. All greenhouse gases as well as CO, NO<sub>x</sub>, NMVOC and SO<sub>2</sub> emissions are estimated.

In 2019, energy use in other sectors account for 22.7% of CO<sub>2</sub>, 5.4% of CH<sub>4</sub>, 14.3% of N<sub>2</sub>O of total national emissions. In term of CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent, other sectors share 19.6% of total national greenhouse gas emissions and 24.3% of total GHG emissions of the energy sector.

The trend of greenhouse gas emissions is summarised in Table 3.32. Emissions are reported in Gg for CO<sub>2</sub>, and in Mg for CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O. A general increase in emissions is observed from 1990 to 2000, due to the increase in activity data (numbers and size of building with heating); a sharp increase is observed in 2005 due to exceptionally cold weather conditions. CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions increase in the period is due to the growing use of woody biomass and biogas for heating. CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions of category 1.A.4.c are driven by the use of biomass in the agriculture sector, both wood and biogas, for heating of greenhouse and aquaculture plants; according to the national energy balance, wood biomass fuel started to be consumed in 2000 while biogas from agriculture residues sharply increased in the last years. Details on the total amount of crop residues generated and the share of the crop residue amounts used for different purposes (for energy referring to permanent crops residuos) are reported in Annex 7, Figure A.7.1.

**Table 3.32 Trend in greenhouse gas emissions from the other sectors, 1990-2019**

GAS/SUBSOURCE	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
<b>CO<sub>2</sub> (Gg)</b>										
1.A.4a. Commercial/ Institutional	11,902	14,070	17,228	23,422	28,294	22,762	23,243	23,232	24,931	24,561
1.A.4b. Residential	55,788	52,756	53,833	60,447	55,268	47,960	48,318	47,980	46,382	44,642
1.A.4c. Agriculture/ Forestry/ Fisheries	8,352	8,754	8,114	8,459	7,345	6,935	7,010	7,031	7,428	7,500
1.A.5 Other (Not elsewhere specified)	1,071	1,496	837	1,233	652	459	515	326	341	453
<b>CH<sub>4</sub> (Mg)</b>										
1.A.4a. Commercial/ Institutional	604	879	1,993	3,068	3,978	4,473	4,638	4,556	4,514	4,566
1.A.4b. Residential	43,781	50,032	52,556	55,509	98,593	87,871	84,896	92,671	85,858	85,634
1.A.4c. Agriculture/ Forestry/ Fisheries	1,264	946	669	592	774	2,383	2,496	2,570	2,622	2,735
1.A.5 Other (Not elsewhere specified)	173	223	126	160	65	54	64	39	42	56
<b>N<sub>2</sub>O (Mg)</b>										
1.A.4a. Commercial/ Institutional	311	413	614	911	1,167	1,143	1,159	1,148	1,200	1,197
1.A.4b. Residential	3,014	3,172	3,303	3,522	5,261	4,658	4,527	4,859	4,540	4,500
1.A.4c. Agriculture/ Forestry/ Fisheries	2,515	2,757	2,610	2,685	2,373	2,327	2,383	2,396	2,535	2,555
1.A.5 Other (Not elsewhere specified)	225	215	135	291	131	59	53	43	32	43

Source: ISPRA elaborations

Seven key categories have been identified for this sector for 2019, for level and trend assessment, using both the IPCC Approach 1 and Approach 2:

Other sectors - CO<sub>2</sub> commercial, residential, agriculture gaseous fuels (L, T);

Other sectors - CO<sub>2</sub> commercial, residential, agriculture liquid fuels (L, T);

Other sectors - CH<sub>4</sub> commercial, residential, agriculture biomass (L, T);

Other sectors - CO<sub>2</sub> commercial, residential, agriculture other fossil fuels (L1, T);

Other sectors - N<sub>2</sub>O commercial, residential, agriculture biomass (L2, T);

Other sectors - N<sub>2</sub>O commercial, residential, agriculture liquid fuels (L2);

Other sectors - CO<sub>2</sub> commercial, residential, agriculture solid fuels (T1).

All these categories, except N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from liquid fuels, are also key category including the LULUCF estimates in the key category assessment.

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### 3.6.2 Source category description

This category includes four sources: 1.A.4.a. Commercial/ Institutional, 1.A.4.b. Residential, 1.A.4.c. Agriculture/ Forestry/ Fisheries and 1.A.5 Other (Military).

The estimation procedure follows that of the basic combustion data sheet. Emissions are estimated from the energy consumption data and the emission factor illustrated in Table 3.12.

Emissions from off-road sources are estimated and they are reported under the relevant sectors. The methodology of these estimates is discussed in the next paragraph 3.6.3 *Others*.

#### *Commercial/ Institutional*

Emissions from this sector arise from the energy used directly in the institutional, service and commercial buildings, mainly for heating. Additionally, this category includes all emissions due to the non-renewable part of wastes used in electricity generation.

In the other fuel sub category, the amount of fossil waste burnt in incinerators with energy recovery is reported. Emissions from these plants are allocated in the commercial /institutional category because of the final use of heat and electricity production which is mainly used for district heating of commercial buildings or is auto consumed in the plant. In fact, until the early 2000s, electricity and heat produced by incinerators have been prevalently used to satisfy the energy demand from connected activities: heating of buildings, domestic hot water and electricity for offices. This is still true for industrial and hospital incinerators, meanwhile municipal solid waste incinerators have increased the amount of energy provided to the grid from the early 2000s until now. Although there are not data or a robust estimate of the share of waste used to produce electricity the available literature (ENEA-federAmbiente, 2012), provide that in 2010 the gross electricity production by urban waste incinerators was equal to 3,887 GWh (net 3,190 GWh) and the amount sent to the network was equal to only 121 GWh.

Biomass refers to the consumption of biomass waste, biogas recovered for energy purposes from landfill and sludge treatments and wood and steam wood; from 2002 to 2005 minor amounts of biodiesel fuel consumption are also included. In Table 7.12 in the waste sector chapter the amount of waste and biogas fuel consumptions for 2019 are reported.

In 2019, this sector has a share of 5.8% of total GHG national emissions excluding LULUCF.

#### *Residential*

Emissions from this sector arise from the energy used directly in residential buildings, mainly for heating. The sector includes emission from off-road household and gardening machinery.

Biomass refers to wood and steam wood fuel consumption.

In 2019, this sector has a share of 11.2% of total GHG national emissions.

#### *Agriculture/ Forestry/ Fisheries*

This subsector includes all emissions due to the direct fossil fuel use in agriculture, mainly to produce mechanical energy, the fuel use in fisheries and for the machinery used in the forestry sector.

Up to 1999, biomass included only biogas recovered for energy purposes from the storage of animal manure and agriculture residuals, while from 2000, as reported in the National Energy Balance, a huge amount of wood has been consumed affecting implied emission factors.

In 2019, this sector has a share of 1.9% of total GHG national emissions.

#### *Others*

Emissions from military aircraft and naval vessels are reported under 1A.5.b Mobile.

The methods of estimation are discussed in paragraphs 3.5.1 and 3.5.4 for aviation and maritime respectively.

In 2019, this sector has a share of 0.1% of total GHG national emissions.

### 3.6.3 Methodological issues

For this sector, energy consumptions are reported in the national energy balance separating commercial and public services, residential and agriculture-fisheries.

Emissions from 1.A.4.b Residential and 1.A.4.c Agriculture/Forestry/Fishing are disaggregated into those arising from stationary combustion and those from off-road vehicles and other machinery. Emissions estimations from off-road sources are discussed later in this paragraph. Emissions from fishing vessels are estimated from fuel consumption data (MSE, several years [a]). Emission factors are shown in Table 3.12.

In the solid fuel subcategory, the following fuels are included: steam coal, coke oven coke and gas work gas. Since eighties there has been a sharp reduction in the use of these fuels due to air quality national legislation (in 1990 they accounted for about 1.1 % of total energy consumption of 1.A.4 category) and a further decrease is observed between 1997 and 1998 in consequence of the banning of coal used in residential heating in urban areas.

CH<sub>4</sub> emission factors used are those reported in the 1996 CORINAIR handbook, vol.1, for coal, equal to 200 kg/TJ (EMEP/CORINAIR, 1996), and in the EMEP/CORINAIR Guidebook for coke oven coke, equal to 15 kg/TJ which is the maximum value of emission factor for solid fuels without specification, and gas work gas, equal to 5 kg/TJ assuming the maximum value for natural gas (EMEP/CORINAIR, 2007). No more solid fuels are used for heating purposes from 2013.

The EMEP/CORINAIR Guidebook, now EMEP/EEA, is updated every two- three years according to the resources available but only for air pollutants emission factors; for greenhouse gas emission factors a general reference to the IPCC Guidelines is provided. For non-CO<sub>2</sub> GHG emissions, at the detailed level of fuel and technology, EMEP/CORINAIR remains the best source of information.

For liquid fuel, the average emission factors are driven by the mix of fuel consumptions used in heating boilers, prevalently LPG, but also gasoil and fuel oil which was used especially in the past.

For these fuels the respective CH<sub>4</sub> emission factors have been used: LPG 1 kg/TJ, fuel oil 3 kg/TJ and gasoil 7 kg/TJ.

Regarding natural gas, the country specific CH<sub>4</sub> emission factor is equal to 2.5 kg/TJ.

All these emission factors have been calculated on the basis of the default and range emission factors published in the Guidebook EMEP/CORINAIR taking into account country specific circumstances by means of the type of boilers where these fuels are burnt. In the 2006 IPCC Guidelines emission factors for residential/commercial/institutional boilers are equal to those reported for manufacturing industrial boilers (e.g natural gas default emission factor is equal to 1 for all the sources of combustion) while it is assumed that these emissions should be different according to the technology and size of the boilers. The EMEP/CORINAIR Guidebook takes in account these differences and for that they have been used as a reference.

In the following box the default emission factors reported in the Guidebook EMEP/CORINAIR are shown and compared with the national ones.

*Liquid and gaseous fuel CH<sub>4</sub> default emission factors(kg/TJ) (EMEP/CORINAIR, 2007)*

Fuel	EMEP/CORINAIR default EF	Range	IPCC default EF	National EF
LPG	-	1 - 2.5	1	1
Gasoil	0.6	0.1 - 8	3	7
Fuel oil	1.6	0.1 - 10	3	3
Natural gas	1.2	0.3 - 4	1	2.5

Average implied emission factors for other fuels, which refer to fossil waste, vary on an annual basis. For CO<sub>2</sub>, the variation occurs from 1990, as a consequence of the mix of wastes used in incinerators, such as urban wastes, industrial, hospital, and oil wastes; for non-CO<sub>2</sub> gases, emission factors reported in EMEP/EEA (EMEP/EEA, 2016) applied at plant level have been considered, but specifically for CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O this use does not result in changes of the implied emission factors because values are the same for the different kind of wastes, and emission factors are equal to 5.3 kg/TJ and 8.8 kg/TJ, respectively. In 2019 CO<sub>2</sub>, average emission factor was equal to 96.5 kg/GJ.

Regarding biomass fuel consumption in the following box CO<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emission factors used in the national inventory for the different type of fuels are reported. CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emission factors derive from the EMEP/CORINAIR Guidebook (EMEP/CORINAIR, 2007), and the implied emission factors fluctuate as a function of the mix of fuels (wood, biogas, waste and biodiesel).

Regarding CO<sub>2</sub> from waste, fossil fraction emissions are distinguished by biomass to include them in the national totals. CO<sub>2</sub> emission factors are built on the basis of carbon content in each type of waste: municipal waste, industrial waste, oil, sludge and hospital. Biogas emission factors are calculated starting from the stoichiometric carbon value equal to 750 kg C/t and annual energy efficiencies provided by Terna (Terna, several years) for the respective use in commercial and agriculture sectors. Wood and steam wood average CO<sub>2</sub> emission factor is derived taking in account the typical national wood used and it is applied for the whole

timeseries. Implied emission factors result from the mix of biomass fuels used for each category (1A4a, 1A4b, 1A4c).

*Biomass CO<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emission factor for 2019 (kg/TJ)*

Fuel	CO <sub>2</sub>	CH <sub>4</sub>	N <sub>2</sub> O
Wood	94600	320	14
Biogas landfills and sludge treatment	50442	153	3
Biogas agriculture residuos	54024	153	3
Waste	82484	5	9
Biodiesel	79600	12	2

### *Others*

In this paragraph, the methodology used to estimate emissions from a range of portable or mobile equipment powered by reciprocating diesel or petrol driven engines is summarized. They include agricultural equipment such as tractors and combined harvesters; construction equipment such as bulldozers and excavators; domestic lawn mowers; aircraft support equipment; and industrial machines such as portable generators and compressors. In the CORINAIR inventory, they are grouped into four main categories (EMEP/CORINAIR, 2007):

- domestic house & garden
- agricultural power units (includes forestry)
- industrial off-road (includes construction and quarrying)
- aircraft support.

Those categories are mapped to the appropriate IPCC classes: Aircraft support is mapped to Other Transport and the other categories map to the off-road vehicle subcategories of Residential, Agriculture and Manufacturing Industries and Construction.

Estimates are calculated using a modification of the methodology given in EMEP/CORINAIR (EMEP/CORINAIR, 2007). This involves the estimation of emissions from around seventy classes of off-road source using the following equation for each class:

$$E_j = N_j \cdot H_j \cdot P_j \cdot L_j \cdot W_j \cdot (1 + Y_j \cdot a_j / 2) \cdot e_j$$

where

$E_j$ = Emission of pollutant from class j	(kg/y)
$N_j$ = Population of class j	
$H_j$ = Annual usage of class j	(hours/year)
$P_j$ = Average power rating of class j	(kW)
$L_j$ = Load factor of class j	
$Y_j$ = Lifetime of class j	(years)
$W_j$ = Engine design factor of class j	
$a_j$ = Age factor of class j	(y <sup>-1</sup> )
$e_j$ = Emission factor of class j	(kg/kWh)

For gasoline engine sources, evaporative NMVOC emissions are also estimated as:

$$E_{vj} = N_j \cdot H_j \cdot e_{vj}$$

where

$E_{vj}$ = Evaporative emission from class j	kg
$e_{vj}$ = Evaporative emission factor for class j	kg/h

Population data have been revised based on a survey of machinery sales (Frustaci, 1999). Machinery lifetime is estimated on the European averages, see EMEP/CORINAIR (EMEP/CORINAIR, 2007), the annual usage data were taken either from industry or published data (EEA, 2000). The emission factors used came mostly

from EMEP/CORINAIR and from Samaras (EEA, 2000). The load factors were taken from Samaras (EEA, 2000).

It was possible to calculate fuel consumptions for each class based on fuel consumption factors given in EMEP/CORINAIR (EMEP/CORINAIR, 2007). Comparison with known fuel consumption for certain groups of classes (e.g. agriculture and construction) suggested that the population method overestimated fuel consumption by factors of 2-3, especially for industrial vehicles.

Estimates were derived for fuel consumptions for the years 1990-2019 for each of the main categories:

- A. Agricultural power units: Data on gas oil consumption were taken from ENEA (ENEA, several years). The consumption of gasoline was estimated using the population method for 1995 without correction. Time series is reconstructed in relation to the fuel used in agriculture.
- B. Industrial off-road: The construction component of the gas oil consumption was calculated from the Ministry of Production Activities data (MSE, several years [a]) on buildings and constructions. The industrial component of gas oil was estimated from the population approach for 1995. Time series is reconstructed in relation to the fuel use in industry.
- C. Domestic house & garden: gasoline and diesel oil consumption were estimated from the EMEP/CORINAIR population approach for 1995. Time series is reconstructed in relation to the fuel use in agriculture.

Emissions from off-road sources are particularly uncertain. The revisions in the population data produced higher fuel consumption estimates. The gasoline consumptions increased markedly but they are still only a tiny proportion of total gasoline sales.

### 3.6.4 Uncertainty and time-series consistency

The combined uncertainty in CO<sub>2</sub> emissions in “Other sectors” is estimated to be about 3% in annual emissions; a higher uncertainty is calculated for CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions on account of the uncertainty levels attributed to the related emission factors.

Montecarlo analysis has been carried out to estimate uncertainty of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from stationary combustion of solid, liquid and gaseous fuels emissions, resulting in 5.1%, 3.3% and 5.8%, respectively. Normal distributions have been assumed for all the parameters. A summary of the results is reported in Annex 1. Estimates of fuel consumption used by other sectors in 2019 are reported in Table 3.33.

**Table 3.33 Trend in fuel consumption for the other sector, 1990-2019 (TJ)**

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
TJ										
1.A.4a. Commercial/ Institutional	206,427	247,440	306,051	419,476	488,985	400,538	402,552	402,542	429,231	424,055
1.A.4b. Residential	1,002,597	1,004,192	1,037,279	1,172,469	1,222,584	1,078,583	1,070,459	1,093,259	1,044,926	1,019,542
1.A.4c. Agriculture/ Forestry/ Fisheries	114,638	121,163	111,480	116,927	103,166	107,097	108,628	109,421	115,088	116,834
1.A.5 Other	14,840	20,814	11,595	16,947	9,001	6,388	7,183	4,531	4,754	6,317

Source: ISPRA elaborations

In the following Table 3.34, total GHG emissions connected to the use of fossil fuels and waste derived fuels are reported for the whole time series. Total emissions from the sector are reported in Gg for CO<sub>2</sub>, and in Mg for CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O. An increase in emissions is observed from 1990 to 2000, due to the increase in activity data (numbers and size of building with heating); a sharp increase can be observed in 2005 due to exceptionally cold weather conditions. CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions increase in the period due to the growing use of woody biomass for heating.

**Table 3.34 Other sectors, GHG emission time series 1990-2019**

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
CO <sub>2</sub> (Gg)	77,113	77,076	80,012	93,561	91,558	78,117	79,086	78,569	79,082	77,156
CH <sub>4</sub> (Mg)	45,822	52,079	55,343	59,331	103,409	94,782	92,093	99,836	93,036	92,992

N <sub>2</sub> O (Mg)	6,065	6,557	6,663	7,408	8,931	8,187	8,122	8,445	8,306	8,295
GHG (Gg CO <sub>2</sub> eq)	80,066	80,332	83,381	97,252	96,805	82,926	83,809	83,581	83,883	81,952

Source: ISPRA elaborations

In Table 3.35, other sectors emissions are summarized according to main categories. From 1990 to 2019, an increase in the use of natural gas instead of fuel oil and gas oil in stationary combustion plants is observed; it results in a decrease of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from combustion of liquid fuels and an increase of emissions from gaseous fuels. CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions increase in the period due to the increasing use of woody biomass for heating.

**Table 3.35 Other sectors, GHG emissions in 1990 and 2019**

		1990	2019
CO <sub>2</sub> other sectors liquid fuels	Gg	39,346	14,791
CO <sub>2</sub> other sectors solid fuels	Gg	899	0
CO <sub>2</sub> other sectors gaseous fuels	Gg	36,338	56,360
CO <sub>2</sub> other sectors other fuels	Gg	530	6,004
CH <sub>4</sub> other sectors	Mg	45,822	92,992
N <sub>2</sub> O other sectors	Mg	6,065	8,295

Source: ISPRA elaborations

### 3.6.5 Source-specific QA/QC and verification

Basic data to estimate emissions are reported by national energy balance and the national grid administrator (for the waste used to generate electricity).

The energy data used to estimate emissions reported in table 1.A.4 have different levels of accuracy:

- the overall sum of residential and institutional/service/commercial energy consumption is quite reliable and their uncertainty is the same of the BEN; the quantities of fuels used for those economic sectors are routinely reported by main suppliers and the data are well documented.
- the energy consumption for agriculture and fisheries is also routinely reported by energy statistics and the underlying data are quite reliable because the energy use for those sectors has special taxation regimes and they are accounted for separately.
- The energy use for military and off roads is instead partly reported and partly estimated with models, as described in paragraph 3.6.3 others.

### 3.6.6 Source-specific recalculations

Some recalculations have been done in this submission.

The emission factor for natural gas has been updated for the whole time series because of the update of the average content of CH<sub>4</sub> and CO<sub>2</sub> in the national natural gas mix due to an error which has been fixed, resulting recalculations vary between 0.42% and 0.73% for CO<sub>2</sub> emissions.

Waste fuel consumption for commercial heating activity data has been updated from 2016 because of the update of activity data for some industrial waste plants resulting in minor recalculations.

### 3.6.7 Source-specific planned improvements

The implementation of updated emission factors from small combustion of biomass is planned.

## 3.7 International bunkers

The methodology used to estimate the quantity of fuels used from international bunkers in aviation and maritime navigation has been illustrated in the relevant transport paragraphs, 3.5.1 and 3.5.4.

The methodology implements the IPCC guidelines according to the available statistical data.

## 3.8 Feedstock and non-energy use of fuels

### 3.8.1 Source category description

In Table 3.36 and 3.37 detailed data on petrochemical and other non-energy use for the year 2019 are given. The tables refer to all products produced starting from fossil fuels, solid, gas or liquid, and used for “non energy” purposes. A national methodology is used for the reporting and estimation of avoided emissions.

### 3.8.2 Methodological issues

The quantities of fuels stored in products in the petrochemical plants are calculated on the basis of information contained in a detailed yearly report, the petrochemical bulletin, by Ministry of Economic development (MSE, several years [b]). The report elaborates results from a detailed questionnaire that all operators in Italy fill out monthly. The data are more detailed than those normally available by international statistics and refer to:

- input to plants;
- quantities of fuels returned to the market;
- fuels used internally for combustion;
- quantities stored in products.

National petrochemical balance includes information on petrochemical input entering the process and used for the production of petrochemical products, and petrochemical plants output, returns to the market, losses and internal consumption. Due to chemical reactions in the petrochemical transformation process, the output quantity of some fuels could be greater than the input quantity; in particular, it occurs for light products as LPG, gasoline and refinery gas, and for fuel oil. Therefore, for these fuels it is possible to have negative values of the balance. For this matter, with the aim to allow the reporting on CRF tables, these fuels have been added to naphtha. The amount of fuels recovered from the petrochemical processes and returning on the market are considered as an output, because consumed for transportation or in the industrial sectors, and no carbon is stored.

In Table 3.36 and Table 3.37 the overall results and details by product are reported respectively.

In Table 3.36 the breakdown of total petrochemical process is reported; the percentages referring to the “net” input are calculated on the basis of the total input subtracting the quantity of fuels as gasoil, LPG, fuel oil and gasoline which return on the market because produced from the petrochemical processes.

In Table 3.37 the input to the petrochemical processes in petrochemical plants and the relevant losses, internal consumption and return to the market are reported, at fuel level, allowing the calculation of the quantity stored in products, subtracting the output (returns to the market, losses and internal consumption) from the input (petrochemical input). Carbon stored, for all the fuels, is therefore calculated from the amounts of fuels stored (in tonnes) multiplied by the relevant emission factors (tC/t) reported in Table 3.37.

An attempt was made to estimate the quantities stored in products according to the IPCC 1996 Guidelines, Reference Manual, ch1, tables 1-5 (IPCC, 1997), multiplying the IPCC percentage values in tables 1-5 of the Guidelines by the amount of fuels reported as “petrochemical input” in Table 3.37. The resulting estimate of about 4,812 Gg of products, for the year 2019, is 60% larger than the quantities reported, 3,012 Gg.

Non-energy products amount stored from refineries, and other manufacturers, are reported in the national energy balance (MSE, several years [a]) and the carbon stored is estimated with emission factors reported in Table 3.38. For lubricants the net carbon stored results from the difference between the amount of lubricants and the amount of recovered lubricant oils. The energy content has been calculated on the basis of the IPCC default values. Minor differences in the overall energy content of these products occur if the calculation is based on national parameters instead of IPCC default values.

In the CRF tables the fuel input amount is reported so that the fractions of carbon stored could be derived. As these fractions are derived from actual measurements, they do not correspond to any default values and may vary over time.

**Table 3.36 Other non-energy uses, year 2019**

	Petrochemical Input	Returns to refinery/market	Internal consumption / losses	Quantity stored in products
ALL ENERGY CARRIERS, Gg	7,659	3,063	1,584	3,012

% of total input	40.0%	20.7%	39.3%
% of net input		34.5%	65.5%

Source: ISPRA elaborations

**Table 3.37 Petrochemical, detailed data from MSE, year 2019 (MSE, detailed petrochemical breakdown)**

FUEL TYPE	Petroch. Input	Returns to refinery/ market	Internal consumption / losses	Quantity stored in products	% on total input	% on net input	Emission factor (IPCC) t C / t
	Gg	Gg	Gg	Gg			
LPG	287	358	7	-77			0.8146
Refinery gas	340	212	632	-505			0.7781
Virgin naphtha	3,720	0	0	3,720			0.8900
Gasoline	1,064	1,574	1	-511			0.8379
Kerosene	582	537	0	44			0.8606
Gas oil	273	143	3	127			0.8696
Fuel oil	300	106	101	93			0.8534
Petroleum coke	0	0	0	0			0.8666
Others (feedstock)	298	131	57	110			0.8462
Losses	0	0	0	0			0.8462
Natural gas	795	0	784	11			0.7606
total	7,659	3,063	1,584	3,012	39%	66%	

Source: ISPRA elaborations

**Table 3.38 Other non-energy uses, year 2019, MSE several years [a]**

NON ENERGY FROM REFINERIES	Quantity stored in products	Energy content IPCC '96	Total energy content	Emission factor
	Gg	TJ/Gg	PJ	Gg C / Gg
Bitumen + tar	2,750	40.19	110.5	0.8841
lubricants	937	40.19	37.6	0.8038
recovered lubricant oils	128	40.19	5.1	0.8038
paraffin	83	40.19	3.3	0.8368
others (benzene, others)	564	40.19	22.7	0.8368
Totals	4,461		179.3	

Source: ISPRA elaborations

At national level, this methodology seems the most precise according to the available data. The European Project “Non Energy use-CO<sub>2</sub> emissions” ENV4-CT98-0776 has analysed our methodology performing a mass balance between input fuels and output products in a sample year. The results of the project confirm the reliability of the reported data (Patel and Tosato, 1997).

### 3.8.3 Uncertainty and time-series consistency

In Annex 4, the time series for comparison between reference and sectoral approach are reported showing percentage differences in a limited range.

### 3.8.4 Source-specific QA/QC and verification

Basic data to estimate emissions are directly provided to ISPRA by MSE. The energy data used to estimate emissions have a high level of accuracy because they summarize the results of a 100% legally binding monthly survey of all the concerned operators.

### 3.8.5 Source-specific recalculations

No recalculation occurred in the 2021 submission.

### 3.8.6 Source-specific planned improvements

No specific improvements are planned for the next submission.

## 3.9 Fugitive emissions from solid fuels, oil and natural gas

### 3.9.1 Source category description

Fugitive emissions of GHG arise during the stages of fuel production, from extraction of fossil fuels to their final use. Emissions are mainly due to leaks or other irregular releases of gases from the production and transformation of solid fuels, the production of oil and gas, the transmission and distribution of gas and from oil refining.

Solid fuels category implies mainly methane emissions, while oil and natural gas categories include carbon dioxide and nitrous oxide too.

In 2019, GHG emissions from this source category account for 2.2% out of the total emissions in the energy sector. Trends in fugitive emissions are summarised in Table 3.46.

The results of key category analysis are shown in the following box.

#### Key-category identification in the fugitive sector with the IPCC Approach 1 and Approach 2

Year	IPCC category	without LULUCF	with LULUCF
2019	CH <sub>4</sub> Oil and natural gas - Natural gas	L, T	L, T
	CO <sub>2</sub> Oil and natural gas – Oil	L1	L1
	CO <sub>2</sub> Oil and natural gas - Venting and flaring	T2	-
1990	CH <sub>4</sub> Oil and natural gas - Natural gas	L	L
	CO <sub>2</sub> Oil and natural gas – Oil	L1	L1
	CO <sub>2</sub> Oil and natural gas - Venting and flaring	L2	L2
	CO <sub>2</sub> Oil and natural gas – Flaring in refineries	L2	-

As for 2019 methane emissions are key categories for natural gas according to level and trend assessment with Approach 1 and Approach 2 with and without LULUCF; CO<sub>2</sub> emissions for oil are key category for level with Approach 1 with and without LULUCF; CO<sub>2</sub> emissions for venting and flaring are key category for trend with Approach 2 with LULUCF.

As concerns the level assessment for the year 1990, CH<sub>4</sub> emissions are key categories for natural gas following both the Approaches with and without LULUCF. CO<sub>2</sub> emissions are key categories for oil only with Approach 1, while CO<sub>2</sub> emissions are key categories for venting and flaring only with Approach 2. Both sectors are key categories with and without LULUCF. CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from flaring in refineries are key category with Approach 2 only excluding LULUCF emissions and removals.

Fugitive CH<sub>4</sub> and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions reported in 1.B.1 refer to coal mining for only two mines with very low production in the last ten years. One mine is underground and produces coal and the other one, a surface mine, produces lignite. The underground mine stopped the extraction activities between 1994 and 1999, whereas the surface mine stopped the activity in 2001. CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from solid fuel transformation refer to fugitive emission from coke production in the iron and steel industry, which is also decreasing in the last years. N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from 1.B.1 are not occurring.

Fugitive CO<sub>2</sub> emissions reported in 1.B.2 refer prevalently to fugitive emissions in refineries during petroleum production processes, e.g. fluid catalytic cracking and sulphur recovery plants and flaring, but include also emissions from the exploration, production, transport and distribution of oil and natural gas.

CH<sub>4</sub> emissions reported in 1.B.2 refer mainly to the production of oil and natural gas and to the transmission in pipelines and distribution of natural gas, while N<sub>2</sub>O emissions refer to flaring in the production of oil and natural gas and in refineries and emission from exploration.

For the completeness of the related CRF tables, in particular 1.B.2, the N<sub>2</sub>O emissions in refining and storage are reported under flaring in refineries as shown in the following Table 3.39.

**Table 3.39 Completeness of N<sub>2</sub>O fugitive emissions**

1.B. 2.a. Oil		
iv. Refining/storage	N <sub>2</sub> O	Included in 1.B.2.d flaring in refineries

### 3.9.2 Methodological issues

#### Coal mining and handling

CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from coal mining have been estimated on the basis of activity data published on the national energy balance (MSE, several years [a]) and emission factors provided by the IPCC guidelines (IPCC, 2006). Mining and post mining emissions have been calculated. As for CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from mining and post mining the average emission factors of the 2006 IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006) have been selected, 18m<sup>3</sup>/t and 2.5m<sup>3</sup>/t, respectively. As concerns CO<sub>2</sub> emissions the calculations have been carried out considering the species profile in coal mine gas by literature data (EMEP/CORINAIR, 2007). The coal gas composition considered is 80% of CH<sub>4</sub> and 6% of CO<sub>2</sub> by volume (Williams, 1993).

As for closed or abandoned mines there are no methods for estimating emissions from surface mines at present (IPCC, 2006). As for the only one underground mine closed from 1994 to 1999, there are no data for a country based approach to estimate fugitive emissions during the closure period. The emission estimations are carried out applying Tier 2 of the 2006 IPCC Guidelines for bituminous mines with 100% of gassy parameter.

#### Solid fuel transformation

CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from coke production have been estimated on the basis of activity data published in the national statistical yearbooks (ISTAT, several years [a]) and emission factors reported in the EMEP/CORINAIR Guidebook (EMEP/CORINAIR, 2007) taking in account the information provided by the relevant operators in the framework of the EPRTR registry and the ETS, as addressed in paragraph 3.3.3 of this chapter.

With regard to the manufacture of other solid fuels, in Italy charcoal was produced in the traditional way until the sixties while now it is prevalently produced in modern furnaces (e.g with the VMR system) where exhaust gases are collected and recycled to produce the energy for the furnace itself. This system ensures good management of the exhausts and the temperature, so that any waste of energy is prevented and emissions are kept to a minimum. So CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from the production of charcoal are not accounted for also considering that the emission factor available in the Revised 1996 IPCC Guidelines, in Table 1-14 vol.3 (IPCC, 1997), refers to production processes in developing countries not applicable to our country anymore. Moreover, in the IPCC Good Practice Guidance as well as in the IPCC 2006 Guidelines no guidance is supplied for charcoal production.

#### Oil transport and storage and refining

Fugitive emissions from oil refining are estimated starting from the total crude oil losses as reported in the national energy balance. Emissions have been reported in the Refining/Storage category (1.B.2.a.iv); they occur prevalently from processes in refineries.

Fugitive emissions from oil transport have been calculated according with the amount of transported oil (MIT, several years) and emission factors published on the IPCC guidelines (IPCC, 2006).

Most of the crude oil is imported in Italy by shipment and delivered at the refineries by pipelines as offshore national production of crude oil. Table 3.40 provides the length of pipelines for oil and the amount of oil products transported since 1990.

**Table 3.40 Length of pipelines for oil transport (km) and amount of transported oil products (Gg)**

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019*
<b>Length of pipelines (km)</b>	4,140	4,235	4,346	4,328	4,291	4,022	4,012	4,021	4,018	4,018
<b>Amount transported (Gg)</b>	94,600	102,274	116,803	133,024	128,854	110,369	112,031	114,124	115,685	114,051

Source: MIT

\*provisional values

Emissions in refineries have been estimated on the basis of activity data published in the national energy balance (MSE, several years [a]) or supplied by oil and gas industry association (UP, several years) and operators especially in the framework of the European Emissions Trading Scheme (EU-ETS), and emission factors published on the IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006).

Fugitive CO<sub>2</sub> emissions in refineries are mainly due to catalytic cracking production processes, sulphur recovery plants, flaring and emissions by other production processes including transport of crude oil and oil products. Emissions are calculated on the basis of the total crude oil losses reported in the national energy balance. These emissions are then distributed among the different processes on the basis of average emission factors agreed and verified with the association of industrial operators (UP) and yearly updated, from 2000, on

the basis of data supplied by the plants in the framework of the European Emissions Trading Scheme. In particular in the EU-ETS context, refineries report CO<sub>2</sub> emissions for flaring and for processes separately. In Table 3.41, the time series of crude oil losses published in the BEN and crude oil processed in Italian refineries are shown.

**Table 3.41 Refineries activities and losses**

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
<b>Crude Oil losses (Mg)</b>	1,004	937	757	576	584	664	574	627	603	767
<b>Crude oil processing (Gg)</b>	93,711	91,014	98,003	106,542	94,944	79,148	77,510	80,312	78,878	77,605

Source: MSE, UP

#### *Oil and gas exploration*

CO<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>4</sub>, and N<sub>2</sub>O fugitive emissions from oil and natural gas exploration have been calculated according with the number of exploration wells (MSE, several years [c]) and emission factors published on the IPCC Good practice Guidance (IPCC, 2000) as no emission factors for number of wells were available in 2006 IPCC guidelines. There are no EFs in the 2006 IPCC Guidelines when the only activity data available are the number of wells. In the IPCC good practice guidance, the tier 1 methodology and default EFs are based on the number of wells, whereas in the 2006 IPCC Guidelines, they are based on the volume of oil production. If overall oil production were used as a proxy in estimating emissions from oil and gas exploration, there would be an overestimation. Moreover, current oil production is mainly onshore, while exploration is now being done offshore, and the methodology in the 2006 IPCC Guidelines does not reflect this situation. The relationship between exploration/drilling activity and production volume applies when the two activities occur within the same bed. In the case of onshore production and offshore exploration, the onshore production is not necessarily related to the exploration, and only offshore exploration is recorded.

Emissions factors for drilling, testing and servicing have been used for productive wells, while only emissions factor for drilling has been used for non productive wells.

#### *Oil and gas production and processing*

CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from the production of oil and natural gas as well for natural gas processing have been calculated according with activity data published on national energy balance (MSE, several years [a]), data by oil and gas industry association (UP, several years), data supplied by operators, and emission factors published on the IPCC guidelines (IPCC, 2006).

CH<sub>4</sub> emission factors for the whole time series have been calculated taking into account this information also for oil venting and flaring and for gas flaring.

For CO<sub>2</sub>, the IPCC default emission factor has not been modified for each category, as no specific information is available.

N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from flaring in oil and gas production have been estimated on the basis of activity production data and emission factors reported in the IPCC guidelines (IPCC, 2006).

As regards the decline of CH<sub>4</sub> IEF for natural gas production and processing, gas companies stated that along the time there has been an increasing awareness to reduce GHG emissions and new emergency management systems have been implemented periodically in order to reduce emissions from venting. Moreover, with the updating of management systems, more accurate methods to estimate vented gas have been adopted by the main gas company at regular intervals.

In Table 3.42, the time series of national production of oil and gas are reported. Natural gas production should further reduce in the next years.

**Table 3.42 National production of oil and natural gas**

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
<b>Oil (Gg)</b>	4,668	5,236	4,586	6,111	5,106	5,470	3,760	4,148	4,684	4,279
<b>Natural gas (Mm<sup>3</sup>)</b>	17,296	20,383	16,766	11,962	8,265	6,877	6,021	5,657	5,553	4,983

Source: MSE

### Natural gas transmission and distribution

CH<sub>4</sub> and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from the transmission in pipelines and distribution of natural gas have been estimated on the basis of activity data published by industry, the national authority, and information collected annually by the Italian gas operators. In other word the most relevant information is the amount of natural gas transmitted/distributed and the methane emissions reported by operators in their environmental reports or communicated to ISPRA.

The emissions communicated by main operators are estimated separately for transmission/distribution taking into account known lengths and materials of pipelines just to calibrate the model used to estimate fugitive emissions from minor operators.

Emission estimates take into account the information on: the amount of natural gas distributed (ENI, several years [a]; SNAM, several years); length of pipelines, distinct by low, medium and high pressure and by type, cast iron, grey cast iron, steel or polyethylene pipelines (AEEG, several years); natural gas losses reported in the national energy balance (MSE, several years [a]); methane emissions reported by operators in their environmental reports (ENI, several years [b]; EDISON, several years; SNAM, several years).

CO<sub>2</sub> emissions have been calculated considering CO<sub>2</sub> content in the leaked natural gas.

The average natural gas chemical composition has been calculated from the composition of natural gas produced and imported.

Main parameters of mixed natural gas, as calorific value, molecular weight, and density, have been calculated as well. Data on chemical composition and calorific value are supplied by the main national gas providers for domestic natural gas and for each country of origin.

Table 3.43 shows average data for national pipelines natural gas.

**Table 3.43 Average composition for pipelines natural gas and main parameters**

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
<b>HCV (kcal/m<sup>3</sup>)</b>	9,156	9,193	9,215	9,261	9,325	9,303	9,351	9,340	9,334	9,335
<b>NCV (kcal/m<sup>3</sup>)</b>	8,255	8,290	8,320	8,354	8,412	8,391	8,444	8,433	8,427	8,428
<b>Molecular weight</b>	17.03	17.19	17.37	17.45	17.46	17.34	17.53	17.44	17.34	17.29
<b>Density (kg/Sm<sup>3</sup>)</b>	0.72	0.73	0.74	0.74	0.74	0.73	0.74	0.74	0.73	0.73
<b>CH<sub>4</sub> (molar %)</b>	94.30	93.36	92.22	91.93	92.04	92.72	91.54	92.08	92.64	92.92
<b>NMVOC (molar %)</b>	3.45	4.09	4.84	5.35	5.74	5.26	6.17	5.93	5.62	5.49
<b>CO<sub>2</sub> (molar %)</b>	0.22	0.20	0.18	0.49	0.75	0.70	0.65	0.67	0.74	0.64
<b>Other no carbon gas (molar %)</b>	2.03	2.34	2.76	2.24	1.48	1.32	1.64	1.33	1.00	0.95
<b>CH<sub>4</sub> (weight %)</b>	88.83	87.14	85.16	84.53	84.54	85.81	83.79	84.72	85.68	86.23
<b>NMVOC (weight %)</b>	7.33	8.62	10.00	10.73	11.27	10.34	12.03	11.51	10.87	10.64
<b>CO<sub>2</sub> (weight %)</b>	0.57	0.51	0.47	1.23	1.89	1.78	1.62	1.70	1.88	1.63
<b>Other no carbon gas (weight %)</b>	3.27	3.74	4.37	3.51	2.30	2.08	2.55	2.07	1.56	1.50

More in details, emissions are estimated separately for the different phases: transmission in primary pipelines and distribution in low, medium, and high pressure network, losses in pumping stations and in reducing pressure stations (including venting and other accidental losses) with their relevant emission factors, considering also information regarding the length of the pipelines and their type.

Emissions from low pressure distribution include also the distribution of gas at industrial plants and in residential and commercial sector; data on gas distribution are only available at an aggregate level thus not allowing a separate reporting.

In addition, emissions from the use of natural gas in housing are estimated and included. Emissions calculated are compared and balanced with emissions reported by the main distribution operators.

Finally, the emission estimates for the different phases are summed and reported in the most appropriate category (transmission/distribution).

Table 3.44 provides the trend of natural gas distribution network length for each pipeline material and the average CH<sub>4</sub> emission factor.

**Table 3.44 Length of low and medium pressure distribution network (km) and network emission factors for CH<sub>4</sub>**

Material	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
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Steel and cast iron (km)	102,061	131,271	141,848	154,886	198,706	203,116	204,062	204,890	205,273	206,855
Grey cast iron (km)	24,164	23,229	21,314	15,080	4,658	2,398	2,163	2,088	2,063	2,061
Polyethylene (km)	775	7,300	12,550	31,530	49,663	56,943	57,883	59,368	59,358	59,593
<b>Total (km)</b>	<b>127,000</b>	<b>161,800</b>	<b>175,712</b>	<b>201,496</b>	<b>253,027</b>	<b>262,457</b>	<b>264,108</b>	<b>266,346</b>	<b>266,693</b>	<b>268,509</b>
<b>CH<sub>4</sub> Emission Factors (kg/km)</b>	<b>1,958</b>	<b>1,417</b>	<b>1,228</b>	<b>1000</b>	<b>719</b>	<b>550</b>	<b>535</b>	<b>532</b>	<b>484</b>	<b>458</b>

More details on the methodology used and on the basic information collected from operators are reported in a technical paper carried out by ISPRA in order to assess emissions from the whole natural gas distribution grid (Contaldi, 1999).

The study addressed natural gas leakages, pipelines material, and operating pressure with data of 1995. All main gas operators were involved. An estimation model was set up in order to approximate the known gas emissions from the main operators and total emissions for year 1995. Emission factors distinct by pressure (low, medium and high) and material (cast iron, grey cast iron, steel or polyethylene) was applied to achieve the goal. Emission factors from Battelle study for former West Germany was applied, cross checked with operator's data and modified where it is needed. The emission factors of minor operators (Other in the next table) are "worsened" to take account for lower quality standard. The pipelines emission factors for transmission and distribution used for emission estimates are reported in the following box:

*Emission factors for transmission and distribution in pipelines in 2019 by operator*

<i>Material</i>	<i>Pressure</i>		
	<i>High</i>	<i>Medium</i>	<i>Low</i>
	<i>m<sup>3</sup>/km</i>		
<i>Steel</i>	510 (SNAM)	408 (Italgas)	408 (Italgas)
	595 (Other)	533 (ENEL)	533 (ENEL)
		533 (Other)	533 (Other)
<i>Cast iron</i>	-	408 (Italgas)	408 (Italgas)
		533 (ENEL)	533 (ENEL)
		533 (Other)	533 (Other)
<i>Grey cast iron</i>	-	-	4380 (Italgas)
			6205 (ENEL)
			7136 (Other)
<i>Polyethylene</i>	-	-	477 (Italgas)
			630 (ENEL)
			637 (Other)

SNAM is the main operator for national gas transmission and import-export. ITALGAS and ENEL are the main operators for gas distribution. They publish annually environmental reports with amount of natural gas conveyed and total leaks. Moreover SNAM provides to ISPRA chemical composition and energy content of national gas imported and produced. In 2019 SNAM accounts for about 93% of national pipelines length and about 99% of transported gas. ITALGAS and ENEL account for about 51% of distribution network length and about 44% of distributed gas. There are about 220 operators distributing natural gas. AEEG (now called ARERA) is the National Authority for Energy, Network and Gas. Starting from 2000 ARERA issues a yearly report with information on pipelines and network length, operating pressure, and network type concerning pipelines material. The estimation model calibrated on the main operators was used to estimate fugitive emissions from minor operators. Natural gas leaks by main operators and average composition of natural gas are used to estimate fugitive emissions. For minor operators lower quality standard and higher specific emission factors for network material, venting, and other accidental losses were considered. So EFs for distribution are generated by combining measured data obtained directly from the main gas operators with calibrated estimates from smaller operators.

In order to take account of different sources of emissions (LNG regasification plants, compression stations, pipeline import/transmission and distribution, venting, and other accidental losses) the total leaks communicated by main operators and those estimated for minor operators are distributed resulting in implied emission factors for the other sources of emissions than transmission and distribution.

In the following box, 2019 implied emission factors for transmission and distribution sources are reported:

*Implied emission factors for transmission in 2019*

<b>LNG regassification</b>	0.17 Mm <sup>3</sup> NG / Gm <sup>3</sup> NG imported
<b>Pipeline compression station</b>	0.16 Mm <sup>3</sup> NG / Gm <sup>3</sup> NG transported
<b>Pipeline transmission</b>	510 - 595 m <sup>3</sup> /km (as reported in the previous table for high pressure pipelines)
<b>Venting and other accidental losses</b>	0.012 Mm <sup>3</sup> NG / Gm <sup>3</sup> NG transported (SNAM) 0.101 Mm <sup>3</sup> NG / Gm <sup>3</sup> NG transported (other)

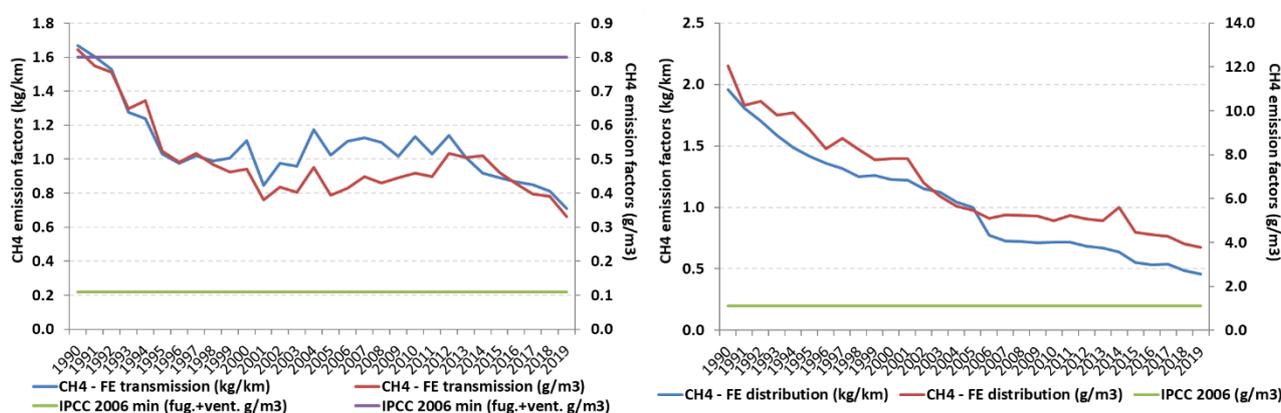
*Implied emission factors for distribution in 2019*

<b>Pipeline distribution</b>	As reported in the previous table for medium and low pressure pipelines
<b>Venting and other accidental losses</b>	0.018 Mm <sup>3</sup> NG / Gm <sup>3</sup> NG distributed (Italgas) 0.098 Mm <sup>3</sup> NG / Gm <sup>3</sup> NG distributed (Enel) 0.120 Mm <sup>3</sup> NG / Gm <sup>3</sup> NG distributed (Other)

Furthermore, fugitive emissions due to the use of natural gas at home are considered and estimated with an emission factor equal to 36 kg CH<sub>4</sub> / TJ natural gas distributed.

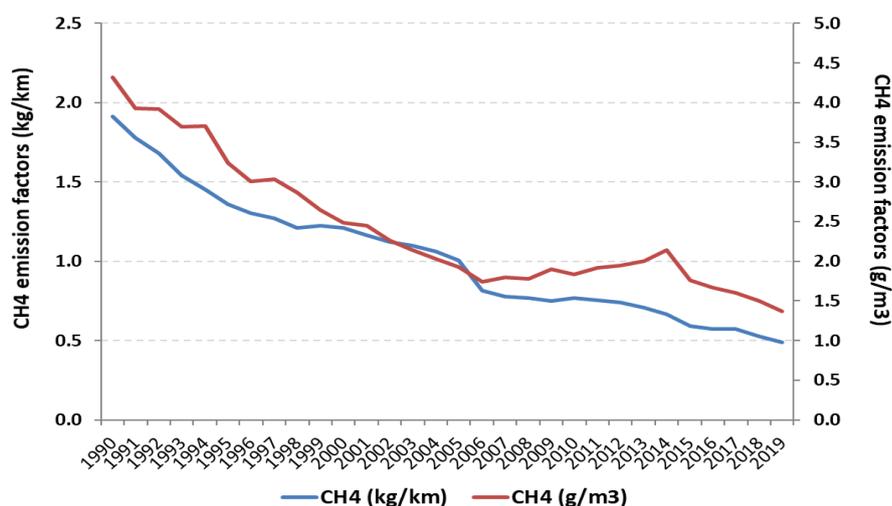
The estimation model used to estimate fugitive emissions is updated every year considering data published by ARERA on pipelines and it is calibrated with annual leakage data published by main operators in their environmental reports.

The next graph shows the CH<sub>4</sub> emission factors time series since 1990 for natural gas transmission and distribution compared with the respective default EFs provided by IPCC guidelines (2006). As for the transmission the national EFs are between the range of default values. The national distribution emission factors are approaching the default value that includes fugitive and venting sources but are still more than three times higher.



**Figure 3.1 Trend of CH<sub>4</sub> emission factors for natural gas transmission and distribution compared with the respective default EFs (IPCC, 2006).**

However, it should be considered that a significant proportion of natural gas does not go through the distribution network but is instead directly transported to industrial sites, including plants for energy production. According to ARERA gas distribution is also fulfilled by network operating at pressure between 5 and 24 bar which is part of the transmission network. This configuration explains why the amount of natural gas being distributed is less than 50% of the natural gas transmitted in the whole time series and shows how it is more useful to consider the matched EFs for transmission and distribution as illustrated in the next graph.



**Figure 3.2 Trend of the matched CH<sub>4</sub> emission factors for transmission and distribution of natural gas**

The different trends between the two unit of measures are explained by variable composition of natural gas along the time series as CH<sub>4</sub> content and average density.

#### *Geothermal energy*

Geothermal fluids can, depending on the site, contain greenhouse gases such as CO<sub>2</sub> and CH<sub>4</sub> and other minor gases such as H<sub>2</sub>S, H<sub>2</sub>, NH<sub>3</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>. As the geothermal energy is a renewable source it is considered carbon neutral so while the CO<sub>2</sub> emissions of are not accounted the emissions of CH<sub>4</sub> are evaluated.

In Italy the geothermal energy extraction for electricity production occurred up to now only in Tuscany. Starting with this submission CH<sub>4</sub> emissions have been estimated for the whole time series according to monitoring data of the tuscanian environmental agency (ARPAT, several years). ARPAT issues a yearly report with CH<sub>4</sub> flux measures (kg/h) on a sample of power plants. There are no data on the operating hours for each plant so the flux measures are summed up and multiplied by the average operating hours for all geothermal plants, the only available data, to obtain the total emitted amount for the sampled plants. In order to smooth the sampling distortion (i.e. in some year only plants with higher flux are sampled that would give an overestimation) for each year the average flux measures of the previous three years are considered for not sampled plants so obtaining an extended sample. The total emitted amount for all plants is calculated dividing the estimated amount for the extended sample plants by their power and multiplying such quantity by the total operating power.

### **3.9.3 Uncertainty and time-series consistency**

The uncertainty in CO<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>4</sub>, and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions is quite differentiated for sources as shown in Table 3.45.

**Table 3.45 Activity data (AD) and emission factor (EF) uncertainties for CO<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>4</sub>, and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions**

	CO <sub>2</sub>		CH <sub>4</sub>		N <sub>2</sub> O	
	AD	EF	AD	EF	AD	EF
<b>Solid fuels</b>					NA	NA
<b>Oil and natural gas – Oil</b>	3%	10%	3%	50%	3%	50%
<b>Oil and natural gas – Natural gas</b>					NA	NA
<b>Oil and natural gas – Venting and flaring</b>	50%	10%	50%	50%	50%	50%
<b>Oil and natural gas – Flaring in refineries</b>					50%	50%

Montecarlo analysis was applied to estimate uncertainty of CH<sub>4</sub> emissions; the resulting figure was 17.2% for 2009. Normal distributions have been assumed for most of the parameters; at the same time, whenever assumptions or constraints on variables were known this information has been appropriately reflected on the choice of type and shape of distributions. A summary of the results is reported in Annex 1. No variation could be conceived on assumptions as concern probability distributions and standard deviations.

Fugitive emissions, in CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent, account for 2.2% out of the total emissions in the energy sector in 2019. CH<sub>4</sub>, CO<sub>2</sub>, and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions show a reduction from 1990 to 2019 by 47.7%, 31.9%, and 21.8% respectively.

The overall decrease of CO<sub>2</sub> fugitive emissions is mainly driven by the reduction in crude oil losses in refineries.

The trend of CH<sub>4</sub> and CO<sub>2</sub> fugitive emissions from solid fuels is related to the extraction of coal and lignite that in Italy is quite low. The decrease of CH<sub>4</sub> fugitive emissions from oil and natural gas is due to the reduction of losses for gas transportation and distribution, because of the gradual replacement of old grey cast iron pipelines with steel and polyethylene pipelines for low and medium pressure network. The CH<sub>4</sub> fugitive emissions from geothermal energy extraction show a relevant increase since 1990 (+184%) as result of the increase of emission factor (+50.7%) due to the entry into operation of bigger plants with higher flux values. As regards the flaring activity from oil and gas production, and flaring in refineries N<sub>2</sub>O emissions show a reduction since 1990 by 21.8%.

Fugitive emissions since 1990 are reported in Table 3.46.

**Table 3.46 Fugitive emissions from solid fuels and oil & gas (Gg CO<sub>2</sub> eq.)**

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
<b>CO<sub>2</sub></b>										
Solid fuels	0.4	0.1	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Oil and natural gas	4,047	4,002	3,262	2,557	2,377	2,574	2,189	2,351	2,295	2,757
<b>CH<sub>4</sub></b>										
Solid fuels	132	74	97	90	86	52	49	37	34	32
Oil and natural gas	8,735	8,082	7,498	6,761	6,168	5,000	4,771	4,812	4,490	4,168
Geothermal energy	191	203	278	334	371	478	532	522	566	541
<b>N<sub>2</sub>O</b>										
Oil and natural gas	12	12	12	13	12	10	9	10	9	9
<b>Total emissions</b>	<b>13,117</b>	<b>12,374</b>	<b>11,147</b>	<b>9,755</b>	<b>9,014</b>	<b>8,115</b>	<b>7,550</b>	<b>7,731</b>	<b>7,395</b>	<b>7,507</b>

### 3.9.4 Source-specific QA/QC and verification

Different data sources are used for fugitive emissions estimates: official statistics by Economic Development Ministry (MSE, several years [a], [c]), by Transport of Infrastructure Ministry (MIT, several years); national authorities (AEEG, several years; ISTAT, several years [a]), gas operators (ENI, several years [b]; EDISON, several years; SNAM, several years), and industrial association for oil and gas (UP, several years).

CH<sub>4</sub> flux data to estimate fugitive emissions from geothermal energy extraction are yearly registered by regional environmental agency of Tuscany for a sample of geothermal power plants (ARPAT, several years).

Concerning CO<sub>2</sub> fugitive emissions from refineries activities, the estimates are balanced with the amount of crude oil losses reported in the national energy balance (MSE, several years [a]).

CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from transmission and distribution of natural gas are verified considering emission factors reported in literature and detailed information supplied by the main operators (ENI, several years [b]; Riva, 1997).

### 3.9.5 Source-specific recalculations

The most relevant recalculation that affects the whole fugitive emission sector is the introduction of fugitive emissions from geothermal energy extraction. Moreover, the updated atomic weights (NIST Chemistry WebBook, SRD 69 - National Institute of Standard and Technology, USA) for the elements involved in the calculation of the carbon content in the natural gas (Hydrogen, Carbon, Oxygen, etc.) have been used since 2005. The updated data affect the estimates of CO<sub>2eq</sub> emissions between 0.016% and 0.019% for natural gas transmission and between 0.013% and 0.907% for natural gas distribution compared to the previous submission.

### 3.9.6 Source-specific planned improvements

No further improvements are planned for the next submission.

## 4 INDUSTRIAL PROCESSES AND PRODUCT USE [CRF sector 2]

### 4.1 Sector overview

By-products or fugitive emissions, which originate from industrial processes, are included in this sector. Where emissions are released simultaneously from the production process and from combustion, as in the cement industry, these are estimated separately and included in category 1.A.2.

All greenhouse gases as well as CO, NO<sub>x</sub>, NMVOC and SO<sub>2</sub> emissions are estimated.

CO<sub>2</sub> emissions related to NMVOC from solvent use in paint application, degreasing and dry cleaning, chemical products manufacturing or processing and other use, are estimated.

N<sub>2</sub>O emissions are also estimated, which arise from chemical industry (2B) and from “other product manufacture and use (2G). As for CRF sector 2G, the use of N<sub>2</sub>O occurs in medical applications, such as anaesthesia, and in the food industry, where N<sub>2</sub>O is used as a propelling agent in aerosol cans, specifically those for whipped cream. Emissions from the use of N<sub>2</sub>O in explosives are also included.

In 2019 industrial processes and product use account for 4.4% of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions, 0.10% of CH<sub>4</sub>, 3.7% of N<sub>2</sub>O, 100% of PFCs, HFCs, SF<sub>6</sub> and NF<sub>3</sub>. In terms of CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent, industrial processes and product use contribute 8.1% to the total national greenhouse gas emissions.

The trends of greenhouse gas emissions from the industrial processes sector are summarised in Table 4.1.

Emissions are reported in kt for CO<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O and in kt of CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent for F-gases.

An increase in HFC emissions is observed from 1990 to 2019, while CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from chemical and metal and mineral industry reduced sharply in the period.

**Table 4.1 Trend in GHG emissions from the industrial processes and product use sector, 1990-2019 (kt)**

Gas/Subcategory	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
<b>CO<sub>2</sub> (kt)</b>	<b>29,334.9</b>	<b>27,280.6</b>	<b>25,831.8</b>	<b>28,718.1</b>	<b>21,703.4</b>	<b>14,976.0</b>	<b>14,737.0</b>	<b>14,975.9</b>	<b>15,247.7</b>	<b>14,941.3</b>
2A. Mineral Products	20,720.5	20,239.7	20,749.0	23,304.7	17,379.3	11,218.4	10,612.8	10,807.3	10,899.9	10,933.0
2B. Chemical Industry	2,524.2	1,584.0	1,356.4	1,635.0	1,361.9	1,219.7	1,427.9	1,435.0	1,573.7	1,314.6
2C. Metal Production	4,377.9	3,902.7	2,305.3	2,419.4	1,833.8	1,562.9	1,710.5	1,675.1	1,681.5	1,602.3
2D. Non-energy products from fuels and solvent use	1,712.4	1,554.2	1,421.1	1,358.9	1,128.4	975.0	985.9	1,058.5	1,092.7	1,091.5
<b>CH<sub>4</sub> (kt)</b>	<b>5.2</b>	<b>5.4</b>	<b>2.9</b>	<b>3.0</b>	<b>2.4</b>	<b>1.7</b>	<b>1.9</b>	<b>1.8</b>	<b>1.8</b>	<b>1.7</b>
2B. Chemical Industry	2.5	2.7	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1
2C. Metal Production	2.7	2.7	2.6	2.7	2.2	1.5	1.7	1.6	1.6	1.5
<b>N<sub>2</sub>O (kt)</b>	<b>24.2</b>	<b>25.8</b>	<b>28.9</b>	<b>27.7</b>	<b>4.1</b>	<b>2.1</b>	<b>2.1</b>	<b>2.3</b>	<b>2.3</b>	<b>2.1</b>
2B. Chemical Industry	21.5	23.4	25.5	25.0	2.1	0.5	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.4
2G. Other product manufacture and use	2.6	2.5	3.3	2.7	2.0	1.6	1.7	1.9	1.9	1.7
<b>HFCs (kt CO<sub>2</sub> eq.)</b>	<b>444</b>	<b>927</b>	<b>2,489</b>	<b>7,617</b>	<b>12,054</b>	<b>15,387</b>	<b>15,941</b>	<b>16,321</b>	<b>16,446</b>	<b>16,801</b>
2B. Chemical Industry	444.00	548.72	26.38	24.29	1.01	1.26	1.18	1.23	1.41	1.14
2C. Metal Production	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.12	10.17	10.37	10.34	9.73	5.76
2E. Electronics Industry	0.00	6.07	8.71	7.19	10.73	9.63	8.74	9.13	7.01	9.69
2F. Product Uses as Substitutes of ODS	0.00	371.86	2,453.86	7,585.50	12,040.09	15,366.33	15,920.96	16,300.25	16,427.43	16,783.98
<b>PFCs (kt CO<sub>2</sub> eq.)</b>	<b>2,906.86</b>	<b>1,492.31</b>	<b>1,488.50</b>	<b>1,939.95</b>	<b>1,520.39</b>	<b>1,688.33</b>	<b>1,613.73</b>	<b>1,313.68</b>	<b>1,657.27</b>	<b>1,027.55</b>
2B. Chemical Industry	931.72	1,041.42	991.47	1,547.42	1,300.64	1,551.90	1,492.78	1,192.38	1,511.26	869.80
2C. Metal Production	1,975.13	349.91	230.83	212.11	99.18	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2E. Electronics Industry	0.00	100.98	266.20	180.42	120.57	136.43	120.95	121.29	146.01	157.75
<b>SF<sub>6</sub> (kt CO<sub>2</sub> eq.)</b>	<b>408.35</b>	<b>679.72</b>	<b>604.31</b>	<b>550.00</b>	<b>393.79</b>	<b>472.25</b>	<b>399.42</b>	<b>417.49</b>	<b>446.43</b>	<b>444.31</b>
2B. Chemical Industry	114.00	114.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2C. Metal Production	0.00	0.00	164.16	80.80	16.67	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2E. Electronics Industry	0.00	14.90	61.90	57.16	30.58	47.31	52.71	65.95	50.05	60.03
2G. Other Products Manufacture and Use	294.35	550.82	378.26	412.03	346.54	424.93	346.71	351.54	396.37	384.28
<b>NF<sub>3</sub> (kt CO<sub>2</sub> eq.)</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>76.57</b>	<b>13.26</b>	<b>33.38</b>	<b>20.17</b>	<b>28.42</b>	<b>33.98</b>	<b>23.50</b>	<b>22.13</b>	<b>17.84</b>
2E. Electronics Industry	0.00	76.57	13.26	33.38	20.17	28.42	33.98	23.50	22.13	17.84
<b>Unspecified mix of HFCs and PFCs (kt CO<sub>2</sub> eq.)</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>24.97</b>	<b>23.15</b>	<b>23.54</b>						

Fourteen key categories have been identified for this sector, for level and trend assessment, using both the Approach 1 and Approach 2. The results for 2019 are reported in the following table 4.2.

**Table 4.2 Key-category identification in the industrial processes sector with the IPCC Approach 1 and Approach 2 for 2019**

KEY CATEGORIES			without LULUCF	with LULUCF
2A	CO <sub>2</sub>	Emissions from cement production	L, T	L, T
2A	CO <sub>2</sub>	Emissions from lime production	L1	L1
2A	CO <sub>2</sub>	Emissions from other process uses of carbonates	T1	T1
2B	CO <sub>2</sub>	Emissions from ammonia production	T1	T1
2B	N <sub>2</sub> O	Emissions from adipic acid production	T	T
2B	N <sub>2</sub> O	Emissions from nitric acid production	T	T1
2B	HFCs	Emissions from fluorochemical productions	T2	-
2B	PFCs	Emissions from fluorochemical productions	L2	L2
2C	CO <sub>2</sub>	Emissions from iron and steel production	T1	T1
2C	PFC	Emissions from Aluminium production	T	T
2D	CO <sub>2</sub>	Emissions Non-Energy products from fuels and solvent use	L2, T2	L2
2F	HFCs	Emissions from substitutes for ODS- Refrigeration and air conditioning	L, T	L, T
2F	HFCs	Emissions from substitutes for ODS- Foam blowing agents	T2	T
2F	HFCs	Emissions from substitutes for ODS- Fire protection	L, T	L, T

CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from cement, lime and other carbonate uses are included in category 2A; N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from adipic acid, nitric acid and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from ammonia refer to 2B; CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from iron and steel production and PFC emissions from aluminium production are included in 2C; CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from non-energy products from fuels and solvent use are included in 2D; HFCs from substitutes for ODS are included in 2F and HFC and PFC emissions from fluorchemical production are included in 2B. Methane emissions from the sector are not a key source. Most of these categories are also key categories in the 1990 assessment.

For the industrial processes sector, emissions and background data collected in the framework of the European Emissions Trading Scheme, the National Pollutant Release and Transfer Register (Italian PRTR) have been used either directly in the estimation process or as verification of emission estimates, improving national emissions factors as well as activity data.

Emissions and activity data submitted under the ETS are mandatorily subject to verification procedures, as requested and specified by the European Directive 2003/87/EC (art. 15 and Annex V). In compliance with the above-mentioned legislation, independent certifications and verifications of activity data, emission data and emission factors are required. At national level, data verification must be carried out by verifiers accredited by the national ETS Committee according to the ministerial decree DEC/RAS/115/2006. The verification of data submissions ensures reliability, credibility, and precision/accuracy of monitoring systems for data and any information relating emissions by plant. The guidelines for reporting under ETS are aligned to the 2006 IPCC Guidelines.

The Italian legislation implementing EPER Decision included a legislative decree and a Ministry decree providing guidelines for reporting by the Italian EPER facilities. The Italian legislation implementing Regulation (EC) 166/2006 is a Decree of the President of the Republic (DPR n.157/2011). Annexed to the DPR n.157/2011 is a guideline for the reporting by the Italian PRTR facilities.

Both guidelines for the reporting by the Italian EPER/PRTR facilities provide the list and description of the information to be reported, which includes: activity data (mandatory), total releases exceeding the reporting threshold values (mandatory); total off-site transfers of pollutant exceeding the reporting thresholds (mandatory); total off site transfers of waste exceeding the reporting thresholds (mandatory).

Releases/transfers information to be reported by facility operators can be based (in compliance with national and EU legislation) on measurement, calculation, estimation. In the case that operators report information based on measurements/calculation they are requested to communicate also what methodology has been applied to measure/calculate total releases/transfers.

As for activity data reporting under the national PRTR, no detailed requirements have been included in the national PRTR legislation and guidelines, although some general guidance is provided and followed by

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operators. The operator is expected to report the best available information concerning activity data for each reporting year, basically the amount produced, manufactured or treated in the reporting year shall be reported. It is appropriate to consider also that most facilities in the scope of EPER/PRTR are also in the scope of EU and national legislation concerning the permitting procedures, monitoring and control obligation for industrial facilities larger in size. The quality of information reported by the facilities under the national EPER/PRTR is assessed by the competent authorities, the same authorities are usually involved also in the permitting procedure of these facilities, thus cross checks of information concerning AD and emissions are expected by the national legal framework.

Since emissions data reported under the national EPRTR can be measured, calculated or estimated, the European PRTR Guidance Document and the national guideline for reporting to the national PRTR include also references to the IPCC Guidelines methodologies.

The collection of facility reports under the national EPER/PRTR is a task that ISPRA has to carry out by law. The national inventory team is in the same unit of ISPRA where the national EPER/PRTR is managed, the inventory team has full access to the whole national dataset of the Italian EPER/PRTR without restrictions on the type of information (AD and emissions of each reporting facilities are available for the inventory team). Italian EPER/PRTR data (emissions and transfers of pollutants, transfers of wastes) are publically available on the internet at the European PRTR website <http://prtr.eea.europa.eu/><sup>4</sup> (in compliance with the legislation activity data of the reporting facilities are not disclosed to the public).

Data from the ETS and EPRTR databases are incorporated into the national inventory whenever the sectoral coverage is complete; in fact, not always data entirely cover the relevant categories whereas national statistics provide the complete basic data needed for the Italian emission inventory. Nevertheless, these data are entirely used to develop country-specific emission factors and check activity data levels.

## 4.2 Mineral Products (2A)

### 4.2.1 Source category description

In this sector CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from the following processes are estimated and reported: cement production, glass production, lime production and other processes uses of carbonates.

#### *Cement*

Cement production (2A1) is the main source of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions in this sector. As already mentioned, it is a key source both at level and trend assessment with and without LULUCF, also considering uncertainty, and accounts for 2.33% of the total national emissions.

During the last 15 years, in Italy, changes in cement production sector have occurred, leading to a more stable structure. The oldest plants were closed, wet processes were abandoned in favour of dry processes so as to improve the implementation of more modern and efficient technologies. The effects of the global recession period have led at national level to facilities closedowns and many conversions from full cycle to grinding plants. Since 2011 Italy has become the second cement producer country in the EU 28 because of the reduction of clinker production in the last years.

The picture of the cement sector in 2019 has 19 companies (55 plants of which: 32 full cycle and 23 grinding plants, i.e. in 2019 one grinding plant was closed compared to 2018) operating in Italy: multinational companies and small and medium size enterprises (operating at national or only at local level) are present in the country.

The operating plants are located as follows: 42% is in northern Italy, 15% is in the central regions of the country and 44% is in the southern regions and in the islands. The active sintering rotary kilns belong to the “dry” or of “semidry” types.

In Italy different types of cement are produced; Federbeton/AITEC, the national cement association, has been characterising the national production in 2019 as follows: 71% is CEM II (Portland composite cement); 16% is CEM I (ordinary Portland cement); 12% is CEM IV (pozzolanic cement) and 1.6% is CEM III (blastfurnace cement). Clinker production has been decreasing since 2007 (about -4.9% in 2016 compared to 2015) but for the last three years the production values have kept very close to the amount manufactured in 2016

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4 In 2020 the European Environment Agency (EEA) has started the development of a new website to host EPRTR datasets and the other reporting dataflows related to industrial activities, in the framework of the Industrial Emissions Directive.

(Federbeton/AITEC [1], several years). Clinker demand in cement production was about 78% in 2019 (consumption of clinker out of production of cement).

### Lime

In 2019, CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from lime production is key category at level assessment, with and without LULUCF, following the Approach 1.

CO<sub>2</sub> emissions occurring from processes where lime is produced account for 0.53% of the total national emissions. Lime production can also occur, beside lime industry, in different industrial sectors such as iron and steel making, pulp and paper production, soda ash production, sugar production; lime can also be used in a number of processes concerning wastewater treatment, agriculture and the neutralization of acidic emissions in the industrial flue gases. In particular, the other relevant lime productions accounted for in Italy are those occurring in the iron and steel making process and in the sugar production process.

Lime is basically produced by calcination of limestone (calcium carbonate) or dolomite (calcium/magnesium carbonate) at 900°C. The process leads to quicklime and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions according to the following reaction:



CO<sub>2</sub> is released because of the process reaction itself and also because of combustion to provide energy to the process. CaO and MgO are called quicklime. Quicklime, together with water, give another product of the lime industry which is called calcium hydroxide Ca(OH)<sub>2</sub>.

CO<sub>2</sub> emissions estimation is related to lime production in mineral industry and it also includes the production of lime to feed other industrial processes (e.g. iron and steel making facilities).

The number of lime production facilities has been relevantly changing through the years as shown in the table 4.3:

**Table 4.3 Lime production facilities (number)**

	1990	2003	2010	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Lime facilities (n.)	85	46	35	33	32	29	25	26	25	25	25

Figures from 2010 onwards are based on the number of facilities reporting under the EU-ETS. Moreover, 46% of the plants is in the southern regions and in the islands, 39% is in the northern regions and 15% in the central regions. The number of operating kilns has also decreased significantly through the years (about 171 in 1990, 75 in 2003). During the nineties, lime industry invested in technology implementation to replace the old kilns with regenerative and high efficiency kilns, rotary kilns are no longer used.

Concerning fuel consumptions, about 80% of the national lime industry uses natural gas, about 20% uses coke.

### Other processes uses of carbonates (limestone and dolomite use in brick and tiles; fine ceramics; paper industry and power plants)

This category is key category in 2019 at trend assessment, with and without LULUCF, following the Approach 1.

CO<sub>2</sub> emissions are also related to the use of carbonates in different industrial processes, and they account for 0.18% of the total national emissions. Limestone or dolomite can be added in different steps of the production process to obtain the desired product features (i.e. colour, porosity). Sometimes carbonates in limestone and dolomite may have to be calcined (“dead burned”) in order to be added to the manufacturing process. Limestone and dolomite are also used in paper production process and in the treatment of power plants flue gases. A steep decrease in the production processes and the relevant use of limestone can be observed between 2007 and 2009; use of limestone has been decreasing more gradually since 2009; the overall decrease being mainly driven by the use of limestone and dolomite in the brick and tiles sector. Mineral (stone) wool production which occurred in Italy along the years 1993-2009 is included in emission estimates for the energy sector. Stone wool has not been produced in Italy since 2009. This category includes also the whole time series for CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from other uses of soda ash.

### Glass production

Glass industry in Italy can be characterised with regard to four glass product types: flat glass, container glass, borosilicate and lead/crystal glass. Flat glass is produced in facilities mainly located in the North; container glass is produced in facilities located all over the country; glass fibres and wool are produced in the North.

About 80 companies carry out activities related to glass industry in Italy, 30 companies carry out glass production processes in about 54 production units.

With regard to glass chemical composition, the national glass production consists of 95% soda-lime glass, 4% borosilicate glass and 1% lead/crystal glass.

The main steps of the production process in glass industry are the following:

- raw materials storage and batch formulation;
- melting of the formulated batch at temperature ranging from 1400°C to 1600°C, in different furnaces according to the type of glass product;
- forming into glass products at specific temperature ranges;
- annealing of glass products to prevent weak glass due to stress.

The formulated batch is generally melted in continuous furnaces, whose size and features are related to the types of glass production. In Italy 80% of the glass industry production is carried out using natural gas as fuel, other fossil fuels consumption is limited to low sulphur content oil. Emissions are basically released by the high temperature melting step and depend on the type of glass product, raw materials and furnaces involved in the production process. Main pollutants are: dust, NO<sub>x</sub>, SO<sub>x</sub>, CO<sub>2</sub>; occasionally and depending on the specific production process, heavy metals, fluorides and chlorides gases could be released. CO<sub>2</sub> emissions are mainly related to the decarbonisation of carbonates used in the process (soda ash, limestone, dolomite) during the melting phase, accounting for 0.15% of the total national emissions. The use of scrap glass (recycled cullets) in the production processes has been increasing in Italy since 1998 thus contributing to the reduction of emissions from decarbonation and from the melting phase.

In the table 4.4, values of the rate of glass recycling from 1998 are reported (COREVE, several years).

**Table 4.4 Rate of glass recycling**

	1998	2000	2005	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Rate of glass recycling (%)	38.8	46.9	57.2	58.4	62.9	61.8	62.4	61.4	58.5	57.1	57.0	57.8	60.6

#### **4.2.2 Methodological issues**

IPCC Guidelines are used to estimate emissions from this sector (IPCC, 1997; IPCC, 2000; IPCC, 2006).

Activity data are supplied by industries and/or provided in the national statistical yearbooks (ISTAT, several years [a]). Emission factors are those provided by the IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 1997; IPCC, 2000; IPCC, 2006), by other international Guidebooks (EMEP/EEA, 2013; USEPA, 1997), or they are derived by data communicated at plant level.

#### **Cement**

CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from cement production are estimated using the IPCC Tier 2 approach.

Activity data comprise data on clinker production provided by the Italian ministry of the economic development (MSE, several years [a]). More in details from 1990 to 2008 official statistics provided by ISTAT have been used (ISTAT, several years [a]). From 2009, ISTAT clinker and cement statistics have not been provided in time for the official submission anymore, so a different source of information has been used. In particular, data on clinker and cement productions, based on a plant-by-plant monthly collection, were officially provided by the Italian Ministry for the Economic Development, at national and regional level, and made available up to the last inventory submission in 2018 at the Ministry website which is no longer available. These production data were cross checked with EPRTR and ETS data and with ISTAT statistics when available. Clinker production provided by the Ministry for the Economic Development seems to be more reliable than statistics published by ISTAT that are based on a sample survey with quite a low response and data gaps are estimated by linear interpolation. Since the last inventory submissions, activity data referring to cement/clinker production (starting from year 2017) have been taken from the data reported to the national ETS.

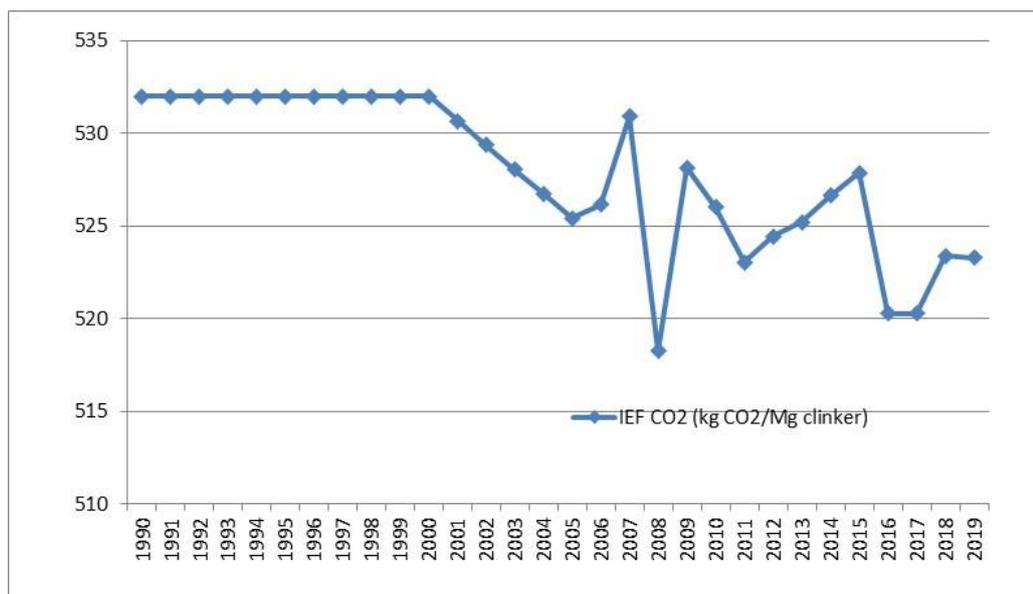
Emission factors are estimated on the basis of information provided by the Italian Cement Association (Federbeton/AITEC, several years[a]) and by cement facilities in the framework of the European pollutant release and transfer register (E-PRTR) and the European emissions trading scheme (EU-ETS). In this latter context, cement production facilities reported fuel consumption, raw materials and emissions, split between combustion process and decarbonising process and complying with a clinker kiln input method which is based on IPCC methodology.

From 1990 to 2000 the resulting emission factor for cement production is equal to 532 kg CO<sub>2</sub>/t clinker, based on the average CaO content in the clinker and taking into account the contribute of carbonates and additives. This value was assumed as representative of the Italian clinker manufacturing process by AITEC (AITEC, 2004) and officially reported to the Italian Ministry of Environment, Land and Sea in order to set the national circumstances for the implementation of the European-Emissions Trading Scheme (EU-ETS) in our country. The value was calculated by the industrial association on the basis of a tool provided by the World Business Council for Sustainable Development, available on website at the address [http://www.ghgprotocol.org/files/ghgp/tools/co2\\_CSI\\_Cement\\_Protocol-V2.0.pdf](http://www.ghgprotocol.org/files/ghgp/tools/co2_CSI_Cement_Protocol-V2.0.pdf) and data from some big Italian plants.

From 2001 to 2004, emission factors are the result of a linear interpolation of CO<sub>2</sub> IEF for 2000 and 2005.

From 2005, emission factors are based on the data reported within the frame of the EPER/EPRTTR and EU-ETS. Based on emissions and activity data (which includes the average CaO content in the clinker produced and the use of carbonates and additives) reported and verified under the EU-ETS the resulting emission factor has been fluctuating for the last fifteen years as shown in Figure 4.1: it resulted in a minimum equal to 518 kg CO<sub>2</sub>/t clinker in 2008, and a maximum in the period equal to 531 kg CO<sub>2</sub>/t clinker in 2007 and a value around 525 kg CO<sub>2</sub>/t in the following years. Since 2016 the CO<sub>2</sub> IEF has been ranging between 520÷525 kg CO<sub>2</sub>/t clinker, in 2019 the values is 523 kg CO<sub>2</sub>/t clinker. The average emission factor varies year per year also as a consequence of the different operating circumstances (e.g. quality of the raw materials and operating conditions) at the Italian clinker facilities.

The information related to activity data and emissions for the clinker facilities reporting to the national ETS system have been processed. The range of uncertainty based on data communicated by the plants is about 5% in the period 2005-2009, about 4% in the period 2010-2015, about 6% in 2016, 5% in 2017 and 3% in 2018 and in 2019.



**Figure 4.1 CO<sub>2</sub> IEF from decarbonation in clinker production, 1990-2019**

In addition to this, Federbeton/AITEC has been reporting the overall consumption of natural raw materials by the national cement industry and also the replacement of natural raw material (either in the raw meal for the clinker manufacture or in the ground mix for the different cement types) with alternative materials in the Italian cement facilities, so:

- Specific consumption of natural raw materials has been varying for the last years;
- The rate of replacement of natural raw materials has been varying for the last years.

In 2019 approximately 6.7% of natural raw material was replaced by about 1.59 Mt non raw materials (0.77 Mt non hazardous wastes and 0.82 Mt secondary raw material) (Federbeton/AITEC[b], 2020). Most of the alternative materials consist of already decarbonised materials. The use of decarbonised material in amounts varying year by year in clinker kilns contributes explaining the fluctuations in the trend of the CO<sub>2</sub> IEF from decarbonisation.

In table 4.5 the amounts of natural raw material consumption for the years 2009-2019 have been reported together with the amounts of secondary raw materials and the replacement rates in the same years.

**Table 4.5 Replacement of natural raw materials by secondary raw materials at the Italian cement facilities**

<b>RAW MATERIALS DEMAND</b>	<b>2009</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2011</b>	<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>
Natural raw materials (Mt)	43.6	43.4	40.4	34.2	29.8	25.1	23.5	25.4	27.5	25.4	23.7
Secondary raw materials (Mt)	1.9	1.8	1.9	2.3	1.9	1.7	1.5	1.6	1.8	1.5	1.6
Natural raw material/ clinker (t/t)	1.73	1.72	1.68	1.78	1.76	1.59	1.51	1.72	1.85	1.72	1.57
Replacement of natural raw material (%)	4.0	4.3	4.3	6.8	6.7	6.3	6.5	6.4	6.7	6.0	6.7

(source: Federbeton/AITEC, several years[b])

Regarding industry data verification, the available activity data for the cement/clinker production in Italy are consistent to the information supplied by the Italian cement industry association, to data reported under the national PRTR and also to data collected in the frame of the national ETS. Emission data reported under the different obligations are in accordance for all the facilities.

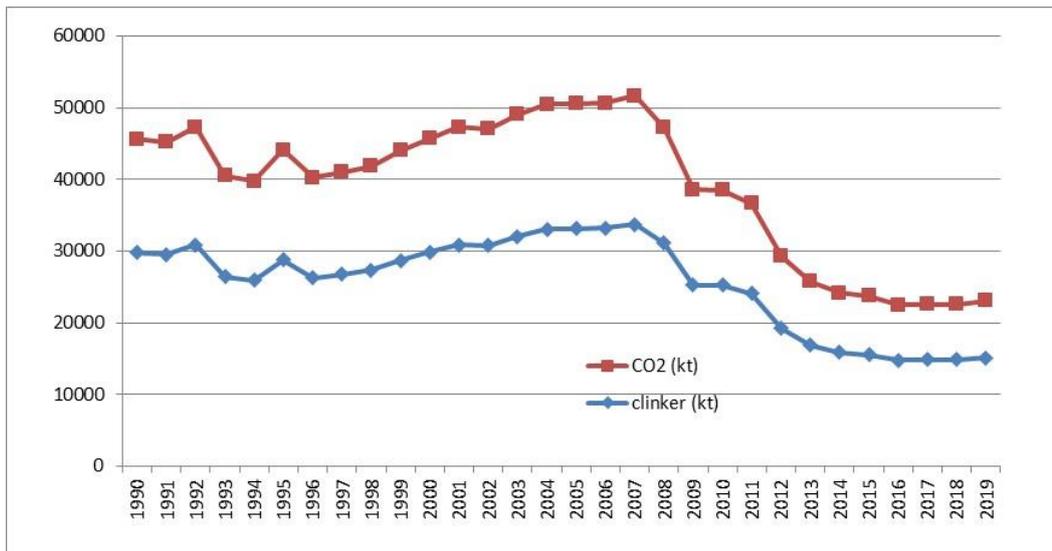
The number of clinker facilities reporting under EPRTR and ETS are shown in table 4.6 together with the corresponding number of operating facilities according to the cement association (AITEC).

**Table 4.6 Clinker facilities reporting under EPRTR and ETS**

<b>Clinker facilities</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2006</b>	<b>2007</b>	<b>2008</b>	<b>2009</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2011</b>	<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>
Reporting to the national PRTR (n)	52	53	53	54	53	50	50	51	47	37	34	32	30	30	29
Reporting under the national ETS (n)	52	53	54	54	52	52	51	51	48	39	36	32	32	31	31
Number of clinker manufacturers in Italy (AITEC)	59	59	60	60	58	58	57	56	50	40	37	33	33	32	32
PRTR/AITEC (%)	88	90	88	90	91	86	88	91	94	93	92	97	94	94	91
ETS/AITEC (%)	88	90	90	90	90	90	89	91	96	98	97	97	97	97	97

In the framework of the EU-ETS register 31 cement facilities reported referred to 2019 whilst 30 reported releases to air under the EPRTR register. These figures out of 32 operating facilities according to Federbeton/AITEC represent more than 99% of total national clinker production. Generally, when the number of ETS clinker facilities is lower than Federbeton/AITEC figure, information concerning localization and production capacity is available for the facilities out of the scope of EU-ETS. AITEC reports every year the number of operating cement/clinker facilities in Italy and the cement production of the whole sector. Under the EU-ETS, cement plants communicate emissions and activity data split between energy and processes phases and specifying the amount of carbonates and additives which are constituents of the raw meal complying with a “clinker kiln input” approach; both activity data and emissions are independently verified and certified as requested by the EU-ETS directive. The implied CO<sub>2</sub> emission factor is applied to the total national clinker production.

Basically, CO<sub>2</sub> emissions time series is related to clinker production time series. Specifically, main decreases in the national production of cement industry, which well reflects the trend of the national economy, can be observed for the years 1992-1994; an increase in production can be observed from 1996 to 2001 and from 2002 to 2007, while a significant decrease in the production is observed for 2007- 2009 and 2011-2017 due to the effects of the economic crisis and the significant reduction in the number of authorizations to build between 2005 and 2015 (-84%). A weak increase in the number of new permits to build was recorded also in 2019. Practically, the same variations can be observed in CO<sub>2</sub> emissions trend. In order to enhance the transparency of the inventory, in Figure 4.2 clinker production and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions time series are shown.



**Figure 4.2 Trend of clinker production and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions 1990-2019 (kt)**

### Lime

CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from lime have been estimated on the basis of production activity data supplied by ISTAT up to 2008 (ISTAT, several years [a]) and by operators in the frame of the ETS reporting obligations from 2009. ISTAT reported till 2005 lime production data on the national Statistical Yearbook with the footnote explaining that the figure covered 80% of the national total lime production and not including auto produced lime in sugar mills and in the iron and steel plants.

From 2005 to 2008 lime productions has been provided to ISPRA for the emission inventory but not published. For the inventory purpose these statistics have been used, properly adjusted as indicated by ISTAT, adding non-marketed lime productions where non-marketed lime is assumed to be equal to the manufacture of lime at iron & steel sites and sugar mills. The information referring to the annual amount of non-marketed lime is supplied by the operators of such facilities under the national pollutant release and transfer register (PRTR). From 2009, only production indexes have been supplied by ISTAT; no other information has been published by ISTAT till 2014 when lime productions for the last years were made available but these data seem not consistent with the production index supplied by the same institute for the same years. For these reasons ETS data has been used from 2009.

All the national lime production plants are part of the EU-ETS and their production data is certified while data published by ISTAT are based, as for clinker and cement production, on a sample survey including production and economical information with quite a low response index and data for not responding plants are estimated by linear interpolation. There is no evidence of lime facilities not included in the ETS, with exception of plants located at sugar mills which are included in the estimates.

CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from lime production and use in other industrial processes (e.g. iron and steel production, sugar mills) have been also considered. Emission factors have been based on detailed information supplied by lime facilities in the framework of the European emission trading scheme and by the national lime industrial association (CAGEMA, 2005). Specifically, the value of the emission factor from 1990-2000 has been officially supplied to the Italian Ministry of Environment, Land and Sea by the industrial association (CAGEMA, 2005), in order to set the national circumstances for the implementation of the European-Emissions Trading Scheme (EU-ETS).

From 2001 to 2004, emission factors are the result of a linear interpolation of CO<sub>2</sub> IEF for 2000 and 2005.

From 2005, information available in the frame of the ETS reporting obligation has made activity data (including fuels and raw materials such as carbonates and additives, in compliance with a “lime kiln input” approach) available for the Italian lime industry at facility level together with CO<sub>2</sub> emissions data (combustion and process emissions). Both activity data and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions are certified and independently verified as requested by the EU-ETS legislation.

The CO<sub>2</sub> implied emission factor varies year by year because of the natural raw material fed to the kilns at facility level including different CaO and MgO contents. In table 4.7, CaO and MgO contents for the years 2009-2019 are reported; these figures refer only to the production plants, excluding autoproduction.

**Table 4.7 CaO and MgO oxides content for lime production (%)**

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
CaO content (%)	96.9	96.7	96.2	93.6	94.4	89.8	90.7	97.1	97.7	95.5	88.8
MgO content (%)	3.1	3.3	3.8	6.4	5.6	10.2	9.3	2.9	2.3	4.5	11.2

Other processes uses of carbonates (Limestone and dolomite)

CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from other process uses of carbonates are related to the use of limestone and dolomite in bricks, tiles and ceramic production, paper production and also in the treatment of flue gases from power plants. In Italy only limestone is used for the activities included in this category, brick and tiles, fine ceramic, and pulp and paper production and power plant flue gases treatment, while no dolomite use is documented. In the present submission the whole timeseries for CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from other uses of soda ash are included and allocated under this category, based on the activity data and emissions information reported by facilities in the scope of the national ETS. In 2019 about 81.9% of the total carbonates accounted for in this category has been used in the production processes of bricks and tiles, about 6.5% for the fine ceramic material, 10.2% in the treatment of flue gases in the power plants, about 0.3% in the paper industry and 1.1% is the share of the other uses of soda ash.

CO<sub>2</sub> emissions have been estimated for the whole time series on the basis of the IPCC default value for limestone equal to 0.44 t/t; the overall CO<sub>2</sub> emission time series is mainly driven by the CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from the use of limestone in the bricks and tiles sector.

In the CRFs the total amount of carbonates accounted for in this category used in these processes is reported. Detailed production, consumption, activity data and emission factors have been supplied in the framework of the European emissions trading scheme and relevant data are annually provided by the Italian bricks and tiles industrial association and by the Italian ceramic industrial associations (ANDIL, 2000; ANDIL, several years; ASSOPIASTRELLE, several years; ASSOPIASTRELLE, 2004, Confindustria Ceramica, several years). Even though the EU ETS has not been in operation for the whole time-series relevant information concerning the use of carbonates was made available in the communications to the Italian Ministry for Environment, Land and Sea to get the overview of the sector for the national ETS to be implemented.

Mineral (stone) wool production has been also taken into account and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions have been estimated but they are included under Energy sector because it is not possible to identify the share of emissions related to the process aspects and the share of emissions related to the energy aspects (the IPCC 2006 Guidelines do not provide any indications concerning this issue). Mineral wool production in Italy took place in Sardinia at one facility during the years from 1993 to 2009 where the production was considered not profitable any longer and the facility was closed down.

Glass

CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from glass production have been estimated taking into account, from 1990 to 2004, production data published by ISTAT on the National Statistical Yearbooks (ISTAT, several years [a]); from 2005 ISTAT statistics have not been available anymore and consistent figures published by the national glass industry association have been used (Assovetro, several years). Glass wool production is included for the whole time series.

In table 4.8, the complete time series of the national inventory for glass production is reported for the different types of glass.

**Table 4.8 Glass production time series (Mg)**

Type	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Flat glass	816,406	879,750	1,009,367	1,183,310	921,619	838,019	887,125	870,440	1,054,763	1,034,234
Container glass	2,609,826	3,094,893	3,417,851	3,716,509	3,656,425	3,936,885	4,061,931	4,177,711	4,287,283	4,485,190
Glass wool	105,029	119,120	139,421	129,958	115,332	86,929	86,498	87,208	98,805	99,552
Other glass	247,684	165,213	362,970	298,000	369,730	381,900	311,263	403,520	420,102	414,087

Since 2000, information provided by operators under the national ETS has been used to develop emissions estimation and relevant CO<sub>2</sub> emission factors. CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from the decarbonation, considering the national circumstances concerning the use of cullets (recycled scrap glass which does not cause CO<sub>2</sub> emissions) in the production processes, have been estimated.

In 2019, CO<sub>2</sub> emission factor has been estimated equal to 99 t CO<sub>2</sub>/t, on the basis of information supplied, under the European emissions trading scheme, by 50 out of 52 facilities.

#### 4.2.3 Uncertainty and time-series consistency

The uncertainty in CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from cement, lime, other process uses of carbonates and glass production is estimated to be equal to 10.4% from each activity, resulting from 3% and 10% for activity data and emission factor, respectively. Official statistics of activity data for these categories are quite reliable when compared to the activity data reported by facilities under different data collections, thus leading to the considered uncertainty level for the activity data. The uncertainty level for emission factors is equal to the maximum level reported in the IPCC Good Practice Guidance (IPCC, 2000) for the cement production; this is a conservative estimation because the range of values of the emission factors of the Italian cement plants would lead to a lower uncertainty level.

Montecarlo analysis has been applied to estimate uncertainty of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from cement for 2009. The resulting figure is equal to 10.0%. Normal distributions have been assumed for the parameters and information deriving from the ETS has been considered in defining the shape of the distributions. A summary of the results is reported in Annex 1.

In Tables 4.9 and 4.10, the production of mineral products and CO<sub>2</sub> emission trend is reported.

**Table 4.9 Production of mineral products, 1990 – 2019 (kt)**

Activity data	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
	<i>kt</i>												
Cement production (decarbonizing)	29,786	28,778	29,816	33,122	25,239	19,204	16,902	15,833	15,527	14,762	14,822	14,820	15,119
Glass (decarbonizing)	3,779	4,259	4,930	5,328	5,063	4,880	4,771	4,872	5,244	5,347	5,541	5,914	6,033
Lime (decarbonizing)	2,583	2,873	2,760	3,447	2,789	2,906	2,647	2,577	2,348	2,328	2,510	2,518	2,389
Other processes use of carbonates (Limestone and dolomite use)	5,781	5,292	5,143	6,087	3,580	2,607	2,235	1,964	1,886	1,712	1,619	1,524	1,426

**Table 4.10 CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from mineral products, 1990 – 2019 (kt)**

CO <sub>2</sub> emissions	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
	<i>kt</i>									
Cement production (decarbonizing)	15,846	15,310	15,862	17,403	13,276	8,196	7,680	7,711	7,757	7,912
Glass (decarbonizing)	453	511	611	768	559	534	512	552	604	597
Lime (decarbonizing)	1,877	2,090	2,013	2,456	1,969	1,659	1,667	1,832	1,869	1,797
Other processes use of carbonates (Limestone and dolomite use)	2,544	2,328	2,263	2,678	1,575	830	753	712	671	627

Emission trends are generally related to the production level, which has been decreasing for the last years mainly because of the economic recession. In particular, the trend of carbonates used in power plants for flue gases treatment, is driven by the use of coal in the operating power plants.

#### 4.2.4 Source-specific QA/QC and verification

CO<sub>2</sub> emissions have been checked with the relevant industrial associations.

Both activity data and average emission factors are also compared every year with data reported in the national EPER/E-PRTR registry and in the European emissions trading scheme (EU-ETS).

Under the EU-ETS, operators are requested to report activity data and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions as information verified and certified by auditors who check for consistency to the reporting criteria.

Activity data and emissions reported under EU-ETS and EPER/EPTR are compared to the information provided by the industrial associations. In particular, comparisons have been carried out for cement, lime, limestone and dolomite, and glass sectors. The general outcome of this verification step shows consistency among the information collected under different legislative framework and the information provided by the relevant industrial associations.

Information reported under the EU-ETS has allowed for estimating CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from other uses of soda ash, the whole time series is included in the present submission and allocated under the “Other processes use of carbonates” category.

#### 4.2.5 Source-specific recalculations

Minor recalculations occurred for the categories included in “Mineral Products” for this inventory submission, specifically CO<sub>2</sub> from Glass (decarbonizing) in 2017 was recalculated due to an update of the activity data and emission factor for the same year, as shown in table 4.11.

**Table 4.11 Recalculation in CO<sub>2</sub> from Glass (decarbonizing)**

	2015	2016	2017	2018
CO <sub>2</sub>				
Glass (decarbonizing)	-	-	-1,56E-02	-

#### 4.2.6 Source-specific planned improvements

Further investigations concerning the replacement of natural raw material in lime production are planned.

### 4.3 Chemical industry (2B)

#### 4.3.1 Source category description

CO<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>4</sub>, N<sub>2</sub>O, HFCs and PFCs emissions from chemical productions are estimated and included in this sector.

##### Adipic acid

Adipic acid production is a multistep process which starts with the oxidation of cyclohexanol using nitric acid and Cu catalysts according to the following reaction:



Adipic acid is then used to produce nylon or is fed to other production processes. Together with adipic acid, N<sub>2</sub>O is produced and CO<sub>2</sub> is one of the by-products (Radici Chimica, 1993).

Emissions data from adipic acid production are provided and referenced by one plant, which is the only producer in Italy (Radici Chimica, several years). Specifically, for N<sub>2</sub>O, in 2019, adipic acid production is a key category at trend assessment, both with Approach 1 and Approach 2, with and without LULUCF. These emissions account for 21% of total N<sub>2</sub>O emissions in 2005, 2.4% in 2010, 0.6% in 2015 and 0.45% in 2019; the notable decrease in share is due to the fact that the technology to reduce N<sub>2</sub>O emissions has become fully operational at the existing producing facility since 2007.

N<sub>2</sub>O emissions have relevantly decreased thanks to the implementation of a catalytic abatement system (pilot scale plant). The use of thermally stable catalysts in the pilot plant has allowed the treatment of highly N<sub>2</sub>O concentrated flue gas from the adipic acid production plant, reducing the volume of treated gas and the size of the pilot plant itself. The abatement system is generally run together with the adipic acid production process. In 2004 this system was tested for one month resulting in complete decomposition of N<sub>2</sub>O; in 2005 the catalytic process was started only at the end of the year because of technical changes in the system; in 2006 the abatement system had been operating continuously for 9 months (3 months were needed for maintenance and technical changes) leading to the decomposition of 92% (efficiency of the abatement system while in operation) of N<sub>2</sub>O emissions. Since 2007 the operating time has been about 11 months (about one month was needed for maintenance operations) and the N<sub>2</sub>O emissions abatement system while in operation has reached an efficiency exceeding 98% (Radici Chimica, several years). In 2011 further emissions reduction was achieved thanks to technical improvements implemented in the production process during 2010:

- the number of scheduled outages of the adipic acid production process is reduced (from about 1/month to 2/year);
- the abatement system is set to reach the operating level more quickly than in the previous years.

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These two achievements allow reducing the significance of N<sub>2</sub>O peak emissions related to the start&stop phases. Moreover, an emission monitoring and recording system was implemented in compliance with Decision 2007/589/EC (Radici Chimica, 2013).

Also CO<sub>2</sub> emissions are estimated from this source.

#### Ammonia production

In 2019 CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from ammonia production are also a key category, at trend assessment with the Approach 1, with and without LULUCF.

In Italy only one facility has been producing ammonia since 2009 as a consequence of the resizing of the production at national level after the crisis of the largest fertilizer producer, Enichem Agricoltura, and as a consequence of the international financial crisis in the last years. Two facilities had been producing ammonia in Italy up to 2008, in 2009 one plant stopped the production and was decommissioned in the following years. Ammonia is obtained after processing in ammonia converters a “synthesis gas” which contains hydrogen and nitrogen. CO<sub>2</sub> is also contained in the synthesis gas, but it is removed in the decarbonising step within the ammonia production process. Part of CO<sub>2</sub> is recovered as a by-product and part is released to atmosphere. Recovered CO<sub>2</sub> can either be used as input for different production processes (e.g. urea or calcium nitrate lines; liquefaction of CO<sub>2</sub> plant) on site or can be sold to technical gas manufacturers. The results of the investigation concerning the recovered CO<sub>2</sub> were accounted for in the previous submissions: operators provided the information used to revise both the emissions and the EF time series (YARA, several years). The amount of recovered CO<sub>2</sub> from ammonia production (which is fed to urea production processes) has been also reported in the CRF since the last submission.

#### Nitric acid

In early nineties seven facilities manufactured nitric acid, but since 2003 the production has been carried on only in three plants. In 2008 another plant stopped nitric acid production and the reconversion of the plant is currently under negotiation, so since 2009 nitric acid production has been carried out in two plants only. Nitric acid is produced from ammonia by catalytic oxidation (with air) of NH<sub>3</sub> to NO<sub>2</sub> and subsequent reaction with water. Currently the reactions involved take place in low and medium pressure processes.

In 2019, N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from nitric acid production are key source for trend assessment with both Approach 1 and 2, without LULUCF, and trend with Approach 1, with LULUCF, as they show a relevant decrease in emissions from 1990 due to a reduction in production. Moreover, as far as YARA facility is concerned, the decrease in N<sub>2</sub>O emissions is also related to the implementation of catalytic N<sub>2</sub>O decomposition in the oxidation reactors a YARA De-N<sub>2</sub>O patented technology, based on the use of CeO<sub>2</sub> catalyst (YARA, several years), while the improvements in the monitoring system of N<sub>2</sub>O emissions at the other facility has been affecting N<sub>2</sub>O emissions estimation time series for the very last years.

#### Carbon black

Three facilities have been carrying out this production which consists basically on cracking of feedstock oil (a mixture of PAH) at 1200 – 1900 °C. Together with black carbon, tail gas is a by product of the process. Tail gas is a mixture of CO, H<sub>2</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>O, NO<sub>x</sub>, SO<sub>x</sub> and H<sub>2</sub>S; it is generally burnt to reduce the emissions to air and to recover energy to be used in the production process.

CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from carbon black production have been estimated on the basis of information supplied directly by the Italian production plants also in the framework of the EU ETS for the last years.

#### Ethylene, Ethylene oxide, Propylene, Styrene

Ethylene, ethylene oxide, propylene and styrene productions belong to the organic chemical processes. In particular, ethylene is produced in petrochemical industry by steam cracking to manufacture ethylene oxide, styrene monomer and polyethylenes. Ethylene oxide is obtained via oxidation of ethylene and it is largely used as precursor of ethylene glycol and in the manufacture of surfactants and detergents. Propylene is obtained by cracking of oil and it is used to manufacture polypropylene but also acetone and phenol. Styrene, also known as vinyl benzene, is produced on industrial scale by catalytic dehydrogenation of ethyl benzene. Styrene is used in the rubber and plastic industry to manufacture through polymerisation processes such products as polystyrene, ABS, SBR rubber, SBR latex.

Except for ethylene oxide production, which has stopped in 2002, the other productions of the above-mentioned chemicals still occur in Italy.

As far as ethylene, ethylene oxide and propylene are concerned, Syndial Spa (former Enichem) and Polimeri Europa (Syndial, several years; Polimeri Europa, several years) were the main producers in Italy up to 2006.

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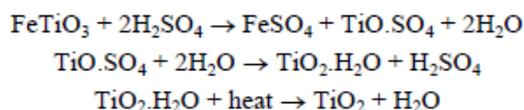
Since 2007 Polimeri Europa (the parent company name changed into Versalis in 2012) has become the main producer for those products in Italy, while it has been the main producer of styrene since 2002.

#### Titanium dioxide

Titanium dioxide (TiO<sub>2</sub>) is the most used white pigment especially for paint and plastic industries. As described also in the IPCC Guidelines, two main production routes are available:

- the chloride route, which has both “combustion” and “process” emissions;
- the sulphate process, whose emissions are only related to the combustion of fuels.

In Italy there is only one facility where this production occurs and titanium dioxide is produced through the sulphate process. The “sulphate process” involves the use of sulphuric acid to concentrate the input raw mineral in terms of titanium dioxide content, then selective precipitation and calcination allow getting the final product. Main process chemical reactions can be summarised like in the following box:



In the past submissions CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from titanium dioxide production were estimated on the basis of information (activity data and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions level) supplied directly by the Italian manufacturer in the framework of the reporting obligation to the EPRTR and EU-ETS registers. The estimates for the whole time series was wrongly accounted under IPPU (2B6) thus leading to double accounting. In the present submission the time series for CO<sub>2</sub> emissions is not accounted under 2B6 and the notation key “NO” has been reported in the CRF because no process emissions are originated by the sulphate process.

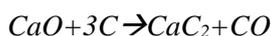
#### Caprolactame production

Caprolactame is a monomer used in the industrial production of nylon-6. It can be obtained by catalytic oxidation of toluene and cyclohexane. The process releases N<sub>2</sub>O.

N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from caprolactame production have been estimated and reported and are related to only one producing plant, which closed in 2003.

#### Calcium carbide production and use

Calcium carbide production process takes place in electric furnaces, CaO and coke are fed to the furnace and the product is obtained according to the following reaction:



CARBITALIA S.p.A. is the only facility which can operate calcium carbide production in Italy (CARBITALIA S.p.A., 2009). It produced calcium carbide up to 1995, when it stopped the production because of the increasing price of electricity. The plant still exists and it is maintained, but since 1995 it has just been supplying calcium carbide bought abroad. About 95% of the total CaC<sub>2</sub> sold in Italy is used to manufacture acetylene, the remaining share is bought by foundries for the desulphuration of steel or spheroidal pig iron (CARBITALIA S.p.A., 2019). CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from manufacture and use of calcium carbide have been estimated and accounted for along the whole time series.

#### Soda Ash production and use

In Italy only one facility operates soda ash production via Solvay process. Solvay process allows producing soda ash through the conversion of sodium chloride into sodium carbonate using calcium carbonate and ammonia. CO<sub>2</sub> is released and calcium chloride is the waste.

Up to the second half of year 2000 in the unit for the production of peroxidates there was one sodium carbonate line and a sodium perborate line which was then converted to sodium carbonate production. Soda ash is also used in glass production processes.

#### Fluorochemical production

The sub-sector fluorochemical production consists of two sources, “By-product emissions” and “Fugitive emissions”.

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PFC emissions from fluorochemical production is a key source at level assessment using Approach 2 and at trend assessment using both Approach 1 and Approach 2 with and without LULUCF; also HFC emissions is a key source at trend assessment, only using Approach 2 without LULUCF.

The production of halocarbons and SF<sub>6</sub> took place in two facilities in Italy up to 2008 (Spinetta Marengo and Porto Marghera). Since the very beginning of 2005 the plant in Spinetta Marengo has not been producing SF<sub>6</sub> any longer. In the first quarter of 2008 the production plant at Porto Marghera has stopped its activity, since then there is only one facility in Italy where HCFC22 is produced.

Within by-product emissions, HFC23 emissions are released from HCFC22 manufacture, CF<sub>4</sub> emissions are released from SF<sub>6</sub> and HCFC22/TFM productions, whereas C<sub>2</sub>F<sub>6</sub> and HFC143a emissions are released from the production of C<sub>3</sub>F<sub>6</sub> (and also CFC115) and HFC134a, respectively. Production of CFC115 was carried out only in one facility and stopped in 1998. Since the very beginning of 2005 Spinetta Marengo plant has not been producing SF<sub>6</sub> any longer.

Production of HFC125, HFC134a, HFC227ea and SF<sub>6</sub> lead to fugitive emissions of the same gases. In particular, production of HFC227ea only occurred in 1999.

The share of F-gas emissions from the fluorochemical production in the national total of F-gases was 39.6 % in the base-year (1990), and 4.8% in 2019.

### **4.3.2 Methodological issues**

#### ***Adipic acid***

Italian production figures and emission estimates for adipic acid have been provided by the process operator (Radici Chimica, several years) for the whole time series. Emissions estimates provided by the operator are based on the IPCC default EF, so the values provided and the estimates in the Italian emissions inventory are, basically, the result of the same methodology.

More specifically, N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from adipic acid production (category 2B3) have been estimated using the default IPCC emission factor equal to 0.30 kg N<sub>2</sub>O/kg adipic acid produced, from 1990 to 2003.

Since 2004 the operator has started to study how to introduce an abatement system; although emission estimates provided by the operator have still been based on the IPCC default emission factor (0.30 kg N<sub>2</sub>O/kg adipic acid produced), the operating hours of the abatement system and the abatement rates have also been included in the estimation process. The abatement system is generally run together with the adipic acid production process. In 2004, the N<sub>2</sub>O catalytic decomposition abatement technology has been tested so that the value of emission factor has been reduced taking into account the efficiency and the time, one month, that the technology operated.

From the end of 2005 the abatement technology is fully operational; the average emission factor in 2006 is equal to 0.05 kg N<sub>2</sub>O/kg adipic acid produced and the abatement system had been operating continuously for 9 months; since 2007 the average emission factor has been 0.03 kg N<sub>2</sub>O/kg adipic acid produced and the operating time of the abatement system has been 11 months.

Technical improvements in operating the production process and the abatement system have allowed achieving significant reduction in N<sub>2</sub>O emissions since 2009 (Radici Chimica, 2013): in 2010 the average emission factor was 0.018 kg N<sub>2</sub>O/kg adipic acid produced while in 2011-2013 the average EF is around 0.005 kg N<sub>2</sub>O/kg adipic acid produced with the abatement rate exceeding 98%.

In 2015 the average EF is around 0.0045 kg N<sub>2</sub>O/kg adipic acid while in 2019 is 0.0034 kg N<sub>2</sub>O/kg adipic acid. Thus, both for the period 1990-2005 and from 2006 up to 2011 the estimates are provided according to the IPCC Good Practice Guidance (default EF has been used when no abatement system was operational; abatement rates have been considered in estimating emission values since 2006). The operator reports also under EPER/E-PRTR both adipic acid production and the N<sub>2</sub>O emissions related to this production; adipic production and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions have been also reported by the operator to the national competent authority for the ETS (the facility was included in the ETS system in 2013) together with additional information such as abatement rates and operating times. Since 2011 the implementation of a new monitoring system has also enabled the reporting of better-quality emissions data in terms of nitrogen and nitrous oxides emissions.

Based on information from the national PRTR and ETS, EFs are calculated for the plant, the resulting value is checked and verified by the formula included in the following box (based on the IPCC default EFs for adipic acid production, abatement rate and operating time of the abatement technology at the facility). In the formula the average emission factor is calculated subtracting from the default EF (0.300 kg N<sub>2</sub>O/kg adipic acid produced) the default EF multiplied by the abatement technology rate and by the operating time factor, parameters and resulting EF values are indicated for the years from 2005 to 2011.

The EFs submitted for the adipic acid production in the CRF and the EFs calculated for the plant in table 4.12 are practically the same along those years.

**Table 4.12 N<sub>2</sub>O emission factors submitted vs calculations based on efficiency and utilization details**

Parameter/Year	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
EFp (IPCC default)	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3
A	0.925	0.9212	0.965	0.986	0.986	0.986	0.986
T	0.14	0.8825	0.93	0.91	0.91	0.952	0.999
EFs (average EF)	0.26	0.056	0.031	0.031	0.031	0.019	0.005

Values resulting according to the following formula

$$(1-A*T)*EFp = EFs$$

Where:

A= Abatement rate provided by the operator

EFp= N<sub>2</sub>O Emission Factor for Adipic Acid production (kg N<sub>2</sub>O /kg adipic acid prod)

T = operating time of the abatement system/ operating time of the adipic acid production line

EFs = N<sub>2</sub>O actually released Emission Factor submitted (kg N<sub>2</sub>O released/kg adipic acid prod)

CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from this source have been estimated according to the information communicated by the operator.

Up to 2019 submission, the estimates were calculated following the Tier 2 approach, since the last submission and following the ERT recommendation during the 2019 in country review, Tier 2 is implemented up to 2012 estimates while Tier 3 is reported for the estimates related to the last part of the time series (from 2013 onwards), because AD and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions reported by the operator in the framework of the national ETS have been used. Measurements of plant specific information under the national ETS are not available for the period 1990-2012, so Tier 3 cannot be implemented for the whole time series, but the consistency of the time series is not affected because there is only one operator for the national production of adipic acid in Italy.

### Ammonia

Ammonia production data are published in the international industrial statistical yearbooks (UN, several years), national statistical yearbooks (ISTAT, several years [a]) and from 2002 they have been checked with information reported in the national EPER/E-PRTR registry. More in detail for 1990-1999 the amount of ammonia produced was published on the UN “Industrial Commodity Statistics Yearbook” (UN, several years), while for the years 2000 and 2001 production indexes published by ISTAT were applied. Since 2002 national production of ammonia in Italy has been collected at facility level. The number of ammonia facilities in Italy is known along the whole time series so it is possible to make sure that the national emissions estimation from this source is consistent to the sum of emissions from the ammonia facilities.

Since 2009 only one facility has been producing ammonia in Italy and reporting data to the national PRTR.

Recovered CO<sub>2</sub> has been investigated with the cooperation of the operators and the resulting information has been used to revise the whole CO<sub>2</sub> emission time series and the emission factors. The analysis has allowed understanding that CO<sub>2</sub> emissions recovered from ammonia production are used to produce urea and technical gases. According to 2006 IPCC Guidelines the CO<sub>2</sub> recovered for technical gases should be accounted for emission and included in the estimate while that for producing urea should be reported in the relevant consumption categories. In particular, for the years 1990-2001, CO<sub>2</sub> emission factor has been calculated on the basis of information reported by the production plants for 2002 and 2003 in the framework of the national EPER/E-PRTR registry and considering also the amounts of CO<sub>2</sub> recovered since the beginning of the recovery operations. CO<sub>2</sub> reported to the national EPER/E-PRTR registry has been used for the previous years under the assumption, verified with the operator, that no change in technology at facilities have occurred along the period (YARA, 2007). Since 2002, the average emission factors result from data reported by the plants in the national EPER/E-PRTR and calculated taking in account the gas consumed for the reforming process; the plant supplies the recovered CO<sub>2</sub> detailed data allowing the proper application of the IPCC methodology.

Because of production of Urea and Ammonia are separate processes, when they are carried out in the same facility the CO<sub>2</sub> EF for Ammonia production, according to the IPCC 2006 GL, is based on the amount of CO<sub>2</sub> released from the production of ammonia, the amount of CO<sub>2</sub> recovered and sold as technical gas and the amount of ammonia produced. The recovery of CO<sub>2</sub> fed to Urea production, instead, has to be subtracted in the calculation of the EF. The resulting CO<sub>2</sub> EF could vary according to the decision of the operators in terms of increase/decrease of CO<sub>2</sub> recovered to be sold as technical gas or fed to Urea production. For example, in 2013-2015 the amounts of CO<sub>2</sub> fed to Urea production and the amount of CO<sub>2</sub> for technical gas decreased, consequently the overall amount of CO<sub>2</sub> released from ammonia production increased; moreover the

fluctuation of ammonia manufactured in the same years has to be considered: production of ammonia increased in 2014, then it fell in 2015 while in 2019 the amount produced was to the same as in 2013. Table 4.13 shows the time series for the average CO<sub>2</sub> emission factor.

**Table 4.13 Ammonia production, time series for the average CO<sub>2</sub> EF (t CO<sub>2</sub>/t ammonia production)**

	1990-2001	2002	2005	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
EF (t CO <sub>2</sub> /t ammonia production)	1.30	1.34	1.32	1.27	1.18	1.08	1.16	1.17	1.25	1.14	1.09	1.11	1.14

Following the ERT recommendation of the 2019 in country review, Italy has started to investigate the differences between apparent consumption of urea and the final uses of urea at national level.

Apparent consumption can be calculated starting from the production, import and export of urea at national level, according to the equation  $P+I-E=\text{apparent consumption}$  (where: P is production; I means imports and E are the exports). The total amount of urea manufactured is supplied by the operator, while the amounts referring to import and exports can be obtained from the national institute of statistics dataset regarding the statistics about the foreign commercial exchange (COEWEB, ISTAT, several years).

The operator of the facility producing ammonia and urea has provided us with the final markets of urea in Italy and an estimation of those market shares in 2017: SCR engines (7.6%); NO<sub>x</sub> abatement systems (2.8%); Industry (“industry-no-glue” and “industry-glue”, 15.1%) and fertilizers (74.5%).

The indicated final uses can be divided into emissive sources (SCR engines; NO<sub>x</sub> abatement systems and Fertilizers) and non emissive sources (industry-glue and industry-no glue). The emissive sources already included in the national inventory are the same as those indicated by YARA, so, as far as urea uses are concerned, the completeness of the inventory is verified. Further investigations and discussion with the operator are needed concerning the market shares of the individual final uses.

Natural gas is used as feedstock in the ammonia production plants and the amount of fuel used is included in the energy balance under the no energy final consumption sector (see Annex 5), therefore double counting does not occur.

#### Nitric acid

With regard to nitric acid production (2B2), production figures at national level are published in the national statistical yearbooks (ISTAT, several years [a]), while at plant level they have been collected from industry (Norsk Hydro, several years; YARA, several years; Radici Chimica, several years). The number of nitric acid facilities in Italy is known along the whole time series so it is possible to make sure that the national emissions estimation from this source is consistent to the sum of emissions from the nitric acid facilities. In 1990 there were seven production plants in Italy; three of them closed between 1992 and 1995, and another one closed in 2004, one more closedown in 2008 has left two plants still operating.

The N<sub>2</sub>O average emission factors are calculated from 1990 on the basis of the emission factors provided by the existing production plants in the national EPER/E-PRTR registry, applied for the whole time series, and default IPCC emission factors for low and medium pressure plants attributed to the plants, now closed, where it was not possible to collect detailed information. Thus, N<sub>2</sub>O emissions are estimated at plant level also considering the operating unit level, if necessary. Activity data have been collected at plant level for the whole time series. Unit specific default IPCC EFs have been used for plants closed in the nineties because it was not possible to collect more detailed information. For the other plants, data supplied in the framework of the EPER/EPTR registry have been used: for the years 1990-2000 EFs at unit level have been calculated as an average of 2001-2004 data provided by operators in the EPER/EPTR register. For the years 2001-2012 EPTR data were used to calculate the national EF; since last inventory submission the activity data and the emissions reported under ETS from 2013 onwards have been used thus moving from a Tier 2 approach to a Tier 3 approach as requested by the ERT during the last in-country review. Tier 3 cannot be implemented along the whole time series because the nitric acid facilities entered the national ETS in 2013 and there isn't enough information available to support a Tier 3 for years before 2013. The implementation of different Tiers along the time series does not affect the consistency of the time series because there are only two operators for the national production of nitric acid in Italy both reporting the same AD under the national EPTR and ETS registers.

**Table 4.14 Nitric acid production, time series for the average N<sub>2</sub>O EF (kg N<sub>2</sub>O/t nitric acid production)**

1990	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
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EF (kg N <sub>2</sub> O/Mg nitric acid)	6.49	7.08	2.29	2.94	1.21	1.32	1.11	0.86	0.40	0.31	0.39	0.49	0.42	0.34
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Relevant reductions in N<sub>2</sub>O emissions have been observed since 2008. Specifically, in 2008 the implementation of catalyst N<sub>2</sub>O abatement technology in one of the major production plants (i.e. in one unit of that plant) has led to a significant decrease in total N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from nitric acid production, consequently a relevant reduction in the IEF can be observed too (YARA, several years) as shown in table 4.14: the implied emission factor for 2008 is in fact 2.29 kg N<sub>2</sub>O/Mg nitric acid production (the abatement rate in one plant was 82% so far); in 2010 the implied emission factor is 1.21 kg N<sub>2</sub>O/Mg nitric acid production and in 2019 it is 0.34 kg N<sub>2</sub>O/Mg nitric acid; the relevant decrease is due to the installation of the abatement technology in the other unit of the same producing facility (YARA, several years) and to the technical improvements implemented in 2011 as far as monitoring of emissions is concerned at the second nitric acid facility (Radici Chimica, 2013). Sampling circumstances at the facility may affect the reported N<sub>2</sub>O emission values: sampling in times very close to catalyst exhaustion generally leads to higher N<sub>2</sub>O concentration in the process flue gases, this seems to have occurred for N<sub>2</sub>O emissions in 2011 according to the operator (Radici Chimica, several years).

#### Caprolactame

N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from caprolactame have been estimated on the basis of information supplied by the only plant present in Italy, production activity data published by ISTAT (ISTAT, several years [a]) and production and emission data reported in the national EPER/E-PRTR registry. For the years 2002 and 2003 activity data and emissions were reported by the operators to the national EPER register. For 1990-2001 no facility level specific information was available for the inventory team, only the amount of caprolactame manufactured in Italy was known. Based on the 2002 emission factor and after discussion with the technical expert at the facility an emission factor equal to 0.3 kg N<sub>2</sub>O/Mg caprolactame production was assumed for 1990-2001. The plant closed in 2003.

#### Carbon Black

CO<sub>2</sub> and CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from carbon black production process have been estimated with a Tier 2 approach and plant specific data. Plant specific information (AD and emissions) has been supplied by the Italian production facilities in the framework of the national EPER/E-PRTR registry and the European emissions trading scheme, total AD and total emissions allow for calculating the EFs values to be used in the estimation process. In 1996 a change in the production technology in the existing plants caused a reduction of CH<sub>4</sub>, NMVOC, NO<sub>x</sub>, SO<sub>x</sub> and PM<sub>10</sub> emissions. As for CH<sub>4</sub> emissions, in the present submission 2006 IPCC Guidelines default value for CH<sub>4</sub> emission factor (manufacturing process with thermal treatment) has been applied for this category and considered for the years since 1996 due to the performance of additional QA/QC procedures (specifically, the results of the technical review in the framework of Article 19(1) of the European Regulation No 525/2013). Table 4.15 include the values of the implied emission factor for CO<sub>2</sub> (t CO<sub>2</sub>/t carbon black production) from 2005 to 2019.

**Table 4.15 Carbon black production, time series for the average CO<sub>2</sub> EF (t CO<sub>2</sub>/t carbon black production)**

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
EF (t CO <sub>2</sub> /t Carbon black)	2.56	2.57	2.51	2.59	2.49	2.48	2.45	2.46	2.32	2.24	2.25	2.35	2.24	2.26

#### Ethylene, Ethylene oxide, Propylene, Styrene

Ethylene, ethylene oxide, propylene and styrene productions belong to the organic chemical processes, which are source of methane emissions.

For ethylene activity data have been provided by the Italian producers, specifically: for 1990-2001 by the sectoral industrial association (Unione Petrolifera, several years) and since 2002 by the manufacturing companies (Syndial, several years; Polimeri Europa/Versalis, several years). For ethylene oxide activity data have been provided by the manufacturing company for the whole time series (Enichem, several years); this production stopped in 2001. Propylene production activity data are reported in the UN "Industrial Commodity Statistics Yearbook" (UN, several years) for the years 1990-1994; since 1995 data have been provided by the manufacturing companies (Enichem, several years; Syndial, several years; Polimeri Europa/Versalis, several years). Regarding Styrene, for the years 1990-1994, UN international statistics have been used (UN, several

years). From 1995 the amount of styrene is supplied every year to the inventory team by the Italian producer at plant level (Enichem, several years; Polimeri Europa/Versalis, several years).

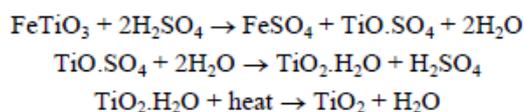
For ethylene and propylene production, CH<sub>4</sub> emission factor is calculated, for the whole time series, on the basis of the EPRTR data submitted by the plants. In the framework of the E-PRTR registry, facilities manufacturing ethylene in Italy reported activity data and emissions following the E-PRTR classification. In particular, for these plants, CH<sub>4</sub> emissions, for these productions, were below the reporting threshold (which for methane is set to 100 t/year). Assuming that emissions of each plants were equal to the maximum value (threshold), 100 t/year, the emission factor resulted in 0.085 kg/t; this value has been used along the whole time series.

For Styrene CH<sub>4</sub> emissions, no specific information concerning the years 1990-1994 was available, so the EMEP/CORINAIR default emission factor (EMEP/EEA, 2007) has been applied (0.025 kg/t equal to 10% of total VOC emissions). Based on the information included in the Environmental Reports by the Italian producer (Enichem, several years), and confirmed by the operators, CH<sub>4</sub> emissions did not occur from 1995.

Methane emission factor for ethylene oxide production used for the whole time series (1990-2001) is equal to 6.841 kg/t as supplied by the air and waste management association (APEM, 1992).

### Titanium dioxide

Titanium dioxide (TiO<sub>2</sub>) is one of the most widely used white pigments with the main application in paint manufacture and in other relevant sectors of the manufacturing industry (e.g. plastic industry). Two main production routes are available: the chloride route, which has both “combustion” and “process” emissions; the sulphate process, whose emissions are only related to the combustion of fuels. The sulphate process, in facts, involves the use of sulphuric acid to treat the raw material and obtain the final product (TiO<sub>2</sub>), according to the following chemical reactions:



In Italy there is only one facility where titanium dioxide production occurs. Emissions are estimated according to the Tier 2 approach and plant specific data are used to develop the estimates. The plant operator supplies the amount of TiO<sub>2</sub> produced and the emissions levels, so the average EF can be calculated and used for the inventory purposes. Activity data and emissions are provided by the framework of the EPRTR register. The data are supplied in compliance with the methodologies indicated in the EPRTR Guidance Document (and to the national PRTR guidance).

The facility concerned is also in the scope of the environmental permitting process; the competent authorities set a control and monitoring plan (stating which parameters and how to monitor them), the operators have to comply with the plan and the information resulting from the data collection for the plan are also used for the reporting to EPRTR. IPCC methodologies are referenced within the guidance documents as part of the methodologies to measure/calculate/estimate the information to the EPRTR. Information related only to the boiler activity is reported to the EU-ETS.

Additional information concerning the type of production route implemented at the facility was obtained and revealed that only the sulphate process is implemented at the titanium dioxide facility. In the present submission the time series for CO<sub>2</sub> under 2B6 was replaced by the notation key “NO” in the CRF because the sulphate process does not lead to process emissions. CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from fuels combustion in titanium dioxide production by sulphate process occur but they have to be accounted for under the “Energy” sector.

### Calcium carbide

CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from calcium carbide production process and use have been estimated on the basis of the activity data provided by the sole Italian producer/retailer (CARBITALIA SPA, 2019). Activity data relating to the manufacture of calcium carbide are referred to the years from 1990 to 1995 when the production stopped; activity data concerning the use of calcium carbide have been provided for the whole time series too. The default IPCC CO<sub>2</sub> emission factors (IPCC, 2006) have been used to estimate the emissions from manufacture and use along the whole time series.

### Soda ash

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CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from soda ash production have been estimated on account of information available about the Solvay process (Solvay, 2003), which is the technology applied for the production of soda ash in Italy, whereas those from soda ash use are included in glass production.

Soda ash production has been carried out at one facility in Italy; the facility is included in the scope of the national EPER/PRTR so the information concerning activity data and emissions of this facility has been made available for the years from 2002 up to now. For 1990-2001 the amount of soda ash produced was published on the UN “Industrial Commodity Statistics Yearbook” (UN, several years).

The CO<sub>2</sub> emission factor for those years is based on the estimation process of the GHG emissions inventory of Spain and on the information that Solvay has made available to the Spanish inventory team for a plant with the same technology as the Italian one. Since 2002 the emission factor is based on the data reported yearly by the Italian operator under the national EPER/PRTR and under ETS (preliminary data for years 2005-2009 and official data since 2013).

### Fluorochemical production

For both source categories, “By-product emissions” and “Fugitive emissions”, the IPCC Tier 2 method is used, based on plant-level data. The communication is supplied annually by the only national producer, and includes productions, emissions, import and export data for each gas (Solvay, several years). CF<sub>4</sub> emissions represent additional by product emissions together with HFC23 emissions (those being well referenced instead). The operator supplied all the relevant information for a better understanding of the activities taking place at the site of Spinetta Marengo and to help the inventory team to allocate CF<sub>4</sub> emissions from HCFC22 production properly. The industrial site of Spinetta Marengo hosts not only Solvay but also other Companies and is in the scope of EPRTR, IPPC permitting procedure and Seveso European Legislation. At the facility the monitoring system has 27 devices to perform gas chromatography analysis and about 540 monitoring points at the site. The resulting monitoring data flow, which regard other pollutants, is sent via web to the regional agency for the environmental protection (ARPA Piemonte).

In particular, the operator explained that HCFC22 production has been carried out in Spinetta Marengo since ‘50s and up to 1990 part of HCFC22 was probably also sold as a marketable product. Since 1990 practically all the HCFC22 produced has been the input for the TFM (tetrafluoroethylene monomer) production process (by pyrolysis of HCFC22 at 600 °C), the TFM has been then used to produce TFE (tetrafluoroethylene, C<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>) and PTFE (polytetrafluoroethylene), HFP (hexafluoropropylene) and the other different fluoropolymers and fluoroelastomers. All the fluorinated flue gases from the different production lines are collected and treated in a centralized abatement unit (thermal oxidation system), specifically designed for the Spinetta Marengo plant, working at a temperature of 1400 °C with a residence time of the gases minor of 2 seconds. The abatement unit is run continuously and allows reducing F-gas emissions not depending on the operating level of the main production process. In the treated flue gases CF<sub>4</sub> is still present (65% of CF<sub>4</sub> released to air pass through the abatement system untreated for thermodynamic reasons; 35% of CF<sub>4</sub> released to air is formed during the reactions occurring in the abatement unit). Estimations of CF<sub>4</sub> emissions released to air have been then reported to the national PRTR since 2007. The operator has provided the time series for the activity data from 2002 to 2010 (HCFC22 and TFM), since the activity data for the years before 2002 are not retrievable (the property of the facility has changed over the years before 2002 and the administrative systems and softwares have also been changed many times); in order to complete the activity data time series for the period 1990-2001 a linear increasing production level was assumed from 1990 to 2002. The ratio relating TFM production to HCFC22 production in 2002 has been taken also over the years 2001 back to 1990 to estimate the TFM productions. CF<sub>4</sub> emission factor for 2007 was set constant in order to estimate the CF<sub>4</sub> time series over the years from 1990 to 2006. CF<sub>4</sub> emissions time series have been then included in the estimates under the CRF category 2.B.9.a.1 (By-product emissions from production of HCFC22).

In order to provide detailed information on the methodology applied for this category, CF<sub>4</sub> emissions estimation from HCFC22 can be summarised as follows:

- For the years 2007-2010 by-product CF<sub>4</sub> emissions from HCFC22 production has been supplied by the operator (through the national PRTR). Based on data reported to the national PRTR since 2007 and the activity data concerning HCFC production, the TFM/HCFC22 ratio along the time series, the EF for by-product CF<sub>4</sub> emission has been calculated.
- CF<sub>4</sub> EF (by-product emissions from HCFC22 production) for 2007 has been set as default value for the period 1990-2006 in order to estimate by-product CF<sub>4</sub> emissions consistently along the whole time series.
- Activity data for the facilities are available for the years 2002-2010, so the missing activity data were estimated based on the HCFC22 production capacity of the facility in 1990 and 2002 HCFC22 production

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figure assuming a linear increasing production level within the years. The TFM/HCFC22 ratio for 2002 was assumed as a default ratio to estimate TFM production consistently from 1990 and 2002.

- By product CF<sub>4</sub> emissions were estimated by applying the EF derived in point 2) to the TFM production levels along the years 1990-2002.

HFC23 is a by product of the HCFC22 production process, the HFC23/HCFC22 rate is about 3%. The abatement system, as previously mentioned, allows for treating all the fluorinated flue gases, vented gases originated in the processes at the facility before being released to air. Since 1989 the abatement system has allowed to reduce HFC23 released to air, up to 1996 HFC23 emissions had been about 30 t/y. In 1996 the abatement system was improved with a second operating unit, since 1996 the abatement rate has been 99.99% thus reducing drastically HFC23 emissions close to zero. The operator communicated that for a HCFC22 production of 30,000 tons, HFC23 theoretical residual emissions are less than 100 kg; a monitoring analysis has measured about 10 kg of HFC-23 in one year (Spinetta Marengo, 2011).

C<sub>2</sub>F<sub>6</sub> and HFC143a emissions are released from the production of C<sub>3</sub>F<sub>6</sub> (and also CFC115) and HFC134a, respectively. Fluorochemical were produced in one plant (Porto Marghera) and progressively stopped in the last years. More in details C<sub>3</sub>F<sub>6</sub> (and also CFC115) production stopped in 1998 while HFC134a production stopped in 2007. Data production and emission figures have been provided by the company (Solvay Fluor, several years).

Production of HFC-125, HFC-134a, HFC-227ea and SF<sub>6</sub> lead to fugitive emissions of the same gases. In particular, production of HFC-227ea only occurred in 1999. Emissions figures have been communicated by the operator (Solvay Fluor, several years).

### **4.3.3 Uncertainty and time-series consistency**

The uncertainty in N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from adipic and nitric acid and caprolactame production and in CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from ammonia and for other chemical production is estimated by 10.4%, for each activity, as combination of uncertainties related to activity data (3%) and emission factors (10%).

Uncertainty level for activity data is an expert judgement, taking into account the basic source of information, while the uncertainty level for emission factors is equal to the level reported in the IPCC Good Practice Guidance (IPCC, 2000) for the adipic and nitric acid N<sub>2</sub>O emissions and for CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from other industrial processes.

The uncertainty in F-gas emissions from fluorocarbons production is estimated to be 50.2% in annual emissions, 5% and 50% concerning respectively activity data and emission factors.

In Tables 4.16 and 4.17, the production of chemical industry, including non-key sources, and emission trends are reported. An overview of the emissions per compound from fluorochemical production is given for the 1990-2019 period.

In general, total emission trends for all the chemical productions have been affected by fluctuations in productions along the time series (and by reductions in productions over the years 2007-2009, except for adipic acid and titanium dioxide activity data), whenever abatement technologies (e.g. nitric acid since 2008) or closures of plants cannot be regarded to as the specific causes for the decreasing emissions. In 2012 an increase in ammonia and soda ash productions determined an increase in CO<sub>2</sub> emissions estimates compared to previous year.

**Table 4.16 Production of chemical industry, 1990 –2019 (kt)**

Activity data	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
	<i>kt</i>									
2B.1 - Ammonia	1,455	592	414	607	505	396	564	587	611	465
2B.2 - Nitric acid	1,037	588	556	572	417	390	426	437	447	421
2B.3 - Adipic acid	49	64	71	75	85	82	83	87	86	76
2B.4 - Caprolactame	120	120	111	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2B.5 - Calcium carbide production	12	7	7	7	6	4	4	4	4	4
2B.6 - Titanium dioxide	58	69	72	60	70	60	61	68	63	63
2B.7 - Soda ash production and use	610	1,070	1,000	915	620	880	916	935	909	910
2B.8b - Ethylene	1,466	1,807	1,771	1,721	1,551	1,187	1,252	1,191	1,266	1,040
2B.8d - Ethylene oxide	61	54	13	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2B.8f - Carbon black	184	208	221	214	205	205	212	220	228	210
2B.8g - Styrene	365	484	613	520	524	547	512	479	545	511
2B.8g.i - Propylene	774	693	690	1,037	880	630	643	616	658	538
2B.9 – HCFC 22 production	20	23	26	27	21	26	24	25	29	23

**Table 4.17 CO<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from chemical industry, 1990 – 2019 (kt) and HFCs, PFCs per compound 1990 - 2019 (kt CO<sub>2</sub> eq.)**

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
<b>CO<sub>2</sub> (kt)</b>										
Ammonia	1,891.50	769.60	537.91	802.29	639.77	495.54	642.73	642.41	678.76	531.26
Calcium carbide	26.28	14.24	7.70	8.01	6.63	4.59	4.57	4.70	4.89	4.07
Carbon black	422.05	477.48	508.83	548.22	510.38	462.39	496.94	494.76	542.04	476.56
Titanium dioxide	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Adipic acid	1.33	1.72	1.93	1.50	1.76	1.82	1.85	1.93	1.92	1.70
Soda ash production and use	183.00	321.00	300.00	275.00	203.33	255.35	281.79	291.20	346.05	300.99
<b>CH<sub>4</sub> (kt)</b>										
Carbon black	1.84	2.08	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01
Ethylene	0.12	0.15	0.15	0.15	0.13	0.10	0.1011	0.10	0.11	0.09
Propylene	0.07	0.06	0.06	0.09	0.07	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.06	0.05
Styrene	0.01	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ethylene oxide	0.42	0.37	0.09	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>N<sub>2</sub>O (kt)</b>										
Nitric acid	6.73	4.22	4.09	5.44	0.51	0.12	0.17	0.21	0.19	0.14
Adipic acid	14.77	19.09	21.42	19.59	1.58	0.37	0.22	0.25	0.21	0.26
Caprolactame	0.04	0.04	0.03	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>kt CO<sub>2</sub> eq.</b>										
HFC 23	444.00	444.00	1.25	1.30	1.01	1.26	1.18	1.23	1.41	1.14
HFC 143a	-	26.82	4.47	4.92	-	-	-	-	-	-
CF <sub>4</sub>	882.92	992.62	991.47	1,547.42	1,300.64	1,551.90	1,492.78	1,192.38	1,511.26	869.80
PFC C <sub>2</sub> -C <sub>3</sub> (C <sub>2</sub> F <sub>6</sub> )	48.80	48.80	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Total F-gas by product emissions</i>	<i>1,375.72</i>	<i>1,512.24</i>	<i>997.19</i>	<i>1,553.64</i>	<i>1,301.65</i>	<i>1,553.16</i>	<i>1,493.96</i>	<i>1,193.61</i>	<i>1,512.81</i>	<i>870.94</i>
HFC 125	-	35.00	3.50	4.20	-	-	-	-	-	-
HFC 134a	-	42.90	17.16	13.87	-	-	-	-	-	-
HFC 227ea	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
SF <sub>6</sub>	114.00	114.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Total F-gas fugitive emissions</i>	<i>114.00</i>	<i>191.90</i>	<i>20.66</i>	<i>18.07</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>
<b>Total F-gas emissions from fluorochemical production</b>	<b>1,489.72</b>	<b>1,704.14</b>	<b>1,017.85</b>	<b>1,571.71</b>	<b>1,301.65</b>	<b>1,553.16</b>	<b>1,493.96</b>	<b>1,193.61</b>	<b>1,512.81</b>	<b>870.94</b>

HFC23 emissions from HCFC22 had been drastically reduced since 1996 due to the installation of a second thermal oxidation system in the facility located in Spinetta Marengo (the only facility currently producing HCFC22 in Italy). Productions and emissions from 1990 to 1995 are constant as supplied by industry; from 1996, untreated leaks have been collected and sent to the thermal oxidation system, thus allowing reduction of

emissions under 100 kg (E.F. 3.3 g of HFC23/t of HCFC22). CF<sub>4</sub> by-product emissions in HCFC22 production process have been fully investigated, information supplied by the operator has allowed estimating emissions for the whole time series. This information about productions and emissions is yearly directly updated by the producer, and it is also reported in the framework of the national PRTR register, confirming that the technology is fully operating. In 2019 a drastic reduction of CF<sub>4</sub> emission has occurred: as part of Solvay's commitment to reducing greenhouse gas emissions, a new project for the abatement of CF<sub>4</sub> by thermo-oxidation has been developed. This project, as communicated by Solvay, has not yet been fully implemented, for this reason further reductions in emissions are expected.

PFC (C<sub>2</sub>F<sub>6</sub>) by-product emissions and SF<sub>6</sub> fugitive emissions were constant from 1990 to 1995 (4 t/y for C<sub>2</sub>F<sub>6</sub> emissions; 5 t/y for SF<sub>6</sub> emissions) and from 1996 to 1998 (1 t/y for C<sub>2</sub>F<sub>6</sub> emissions; 2 t/y for SF<sub>6</sub> emissions) and have eventually reduced to zero since 1999 due to the stop of the CFC115 production in one facility and the upgrade of the thermal oxidation system mentioned above in the other facility. Besides, SF<sub>6</sub> production has stopped since the 1<sup>st</sup> of January 2005.

Regarding fugitive emissions, emissions of HFC125 and HFC134a have been cut in 1999 thanks to a rationalisation in the new production facility located in Porto Marghera, whereas HFC143 released as by-products from the production of HFC134a has been recovered and commercialised. The relevant productions in Italy which originate these fugitive emissions stopped in the first quarter of 2008.

#### 4.3.4 Source-specific QA/QC and verification

Emissions from adipic acid, nitric acid, ammonia and other chemical industry production have been checked with the relevant process operators and with data reported to the national EPER/E-PRTR registry. Emissions and activity data for adipic acid, nitric acid and ammonia productions have also been checked against the relevant information reported by operator to the national competent authority for the ETS, the resulting consistency of both emissions and activity data for those sectors is the outcome of this control. In addition to this, in the present submission activity data for Nitric Acid and Adipic Acid from ETS have been used to update the time series from 2013 onwards in order to support the application of Tier 3 in CO<sub>2</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions estimates. Additional QA/QC was performed on the inventory of CO<sub>2</sub> and CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from the production of carbon black (Aether ltd, 2013) thus leading to the improvements of the emissions estimate in 2014 submission. CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from carbon black manufacturing have been revised in the last submissions, from 1996 onwards, as an outcome of the technical expert review performed at EU level in the framework of the internal EU inventory review process.

As requested by the ERT, investigations concerning the final uses of urea in Italy and the amount of urea used in the inventory against the apparent consumption are ongoing.

Emissions from fluorochemical production have been checked with data reported to the national EPER/E-PRTR registry. CF<sub>4</sub> emissions have been then accounted for along the whole time series for category 2B9.

#### 4.3.5 Source-specific recalculations

Negligible recalculations occurred for the productions of Nitric acid and Adipic acid because of the updating of activity data for the years from 2013 onwards (ETS activity data have been used to support the application of T3 to CO<sub>2</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions estimate from those sources). Since the sulphate process route is the technology implemented in Italy for titanium dioxide production, significant recalculation occurred for this source category CO<sub>2</sub> emissions estimates were replaced with notation key "NO" along the whole time series. In the case of Calcium carbides minor recalculation occurred for 2017 because of the update of the activity data communicated by the national operator.

**Table 4.18 Recalculation for CO<sub>2</sub> (calcium carbide and adipic acid) and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions (nitric and adipic acid)**

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
<b>CO<sub>2</sub></b>						-
Calcium carbide	-	-	-	-	0.03	-
Adipic acid	-	0.00	-	-	-	-
<b>N<sub>2</sub>O</b>						
Nitric acid	0.00	0.01	-0.00	0.00	-0.00	-
Adipic acid	-	-	-0.00	-	-	-

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#### 4.3.6 Source-specific planned improvements

A detailed balance of the natural gas reported in the energy balance, as no energy fuel consumption, and the fuel used for the production processes in the petrochemical sector is planned.

Further investigations about final market shares of urea in Italy are planned in order to check the amount of urea used in the inventory against the apparent consumption in Italy.

### 4.4 Metal production (2C)

#### 4.4.1 Source category description

The sub-sector metal production comprises five sources: iron and steel production, ferroalloys production, aluminium production, magnesium foundries and zinc/lead production; CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from iron and steel production are key sources at trend assessment with the Tier1 for 2019 with and without LULUCF; PFC emissions from aluminium production are key sources only at trend assessment, whereas in the base year PFC emissions were key sources also at level assessment while CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from iron and steel production were key sources at level assessment only with the Tier1.

In 2019, the share of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from metal production accounts for 0.5% of the national total CO<sub>2</sub> emissions, and 10.7% of the total CO<sub>2</sub> from industrial processes. The share of CH<sub>4</sub> emissions is, in 2019, equal to 0.09% of the national total CH<sub>4</sub> emissions while N<sub>2</sub>O emissions do not occur. The share of F-gas emissions from metal production out of the national total F-gas levels was 52.5% in the base-year and has decreased to 0.03% in the year 2019.

#### Iron and steel

The main processes involved in iron and steel production are those related to sinter and blast furnace plants, to basic oxygen and electric furnaces.

The sintering process is a pre-treatment step in the production of iron where fine particles of metal ores are agglomerated. Agglomeration of the fine particles is necessary to increase the passageway for the gases during the blast furnace process and to improve physical features of the blast furnace burden. Coke and a mixture of sinter, lump ore and fluxes are introduced into the blast furnace. In the furnace the iron ore is increasingly reduced and liquid iron and slag are collected at the bottom of the furnace, from where they are tapped. The combustion of coke provides both the carbon monoxide (CO) needed for the reduction of iron oxide into iron and the additional heat needed to melt the iron and impurities.

The resulting material, pig iron (and also scrap), is transformed into steel in subsequent furnaces which may be a basic oxygen furnace (BOF) or electric arc furnace (EAF).

Oxygen steelmaking allows the oxidation of undesirable impurities contained in the metallic feedstock by blowing pure oxygen. The main elements thus converted into oxides are carbon, silicon, manganese, phosphorus and sulphur.

In an electric arc furnace steel is produced from polluted scrap. The scrap is mainly produced by cars shredding and does not have a constant quality, but the recent stringent legislation and the adoption of BAT (Best Available Techniques) in scrap management allow an input with better product characteristics.

The iron and steel cycle is closed by rolling mills with production of long products, flat products and pipes.

In 1990, there were six integrated iron and steel plants in Italy. In 2014, there were only three of the above-mentioned plants, one of which lacking sintering facilities and another one not equipped with a BOF. Since 2015 there are only two plants because the plant without sinter production has been closed. In 2019, oxygen steel production represents about 18.2% of the total production and the arc furnace steel the remaining 81.8% (FEDERACCIAI, several years).

Currently, long products represent about 46% of steel production in Italy, flat products about 42% and pipes the remaining 12%. In 2019 long production has been equal to 12.3 Tg with a decrease of 0.6% over the previous year and still below 26.0% compared to 2008; flat production has been equal to 11.3 Tg with a decrease of 4.5% on the previous year and of 19.1% compared to 2008 level. Most of the flat production derives from one only integrated iron and steel plant, while in steel plants equipped with electric ovens, almost all located in the northern regions, long products are produced predominantly (e.g. carbon steel, stainless steels) and seamless pipes (only one plant) (FEDERACCIAI, several years).

CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from steel production refer to carbonates used in basic oxygen furnaces and crude iron, carbonates, coals and electrodes in electric arc furnaces. CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from pig iron production refer to

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carbonates used in sinter and pig iron production. CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from iron and steel production due to the fuel consumption in combustion processes are estimated and reported in the energy sector (1A2a) to avoid double counting.

CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from steel production refer to blast furnace charging, basic oxygen furnace, electric furnaces and rolling mills. CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from coke production are fugitive emissions during solid fuel transformation and have been reported under 1B1b category while CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from the combustion of fuels are allocated in the energy sector.

#### Ferroalloys

Ferroalloy is the term used to describe concentrated alloys of iron and one or more metals such as silicon, manganese, chromium, molybdenum, vanadium and tungsten. Usually, alloy formation occurs in electric arc furnaces (EAF) and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions occur during oxidation of carbon still present in coke and because of consumption of the graphite electrodes.

In early nineties there were 13 plants producing various kinds of ferroalloys: FeCr, FeMn, FeSi, SiMn, Si-metal and other particular alloys, but since 2001 the production has been carried on only in one plant (ISPESL, 2005). The last remaining plant in Italy produces mainly ferro-manganese and silicon-manganese alloys but in 2015 the facility did not work.

#### Aluminium

From primary aluminium production CO<sub>2</sub> and PFCs (CF<sub>4</sub> and C<sub>2</sub>F<sub>6</sub>) are emitted. PFCs are formed during a phenomenon known as the ‘anode effect’, when alumina levels are low.

In 1990 primary aluminium production in Italy was carried out in 5 sites where different technologies were implemented:

- Fusina: Point Fed Prebake and Side Work Prebake (up to 1995);
- Portovesme: Point Fed Prebake and Side Work Prebake (up to 1990);
- Bolzano: Vertical Stud Soderberg;
- Fusina 2 and Porto Marghera: Side Work Prebake.

Since then, the implemented technology has been upgraded from Side Work Prebake to Point Fed Prebake; while three old plants stopped the operations in 1991 (Bolzano) and in 1992 (Fusina 2 and Porto Marghera). Since 2000 Alcoa has replaced ENIRISORSE in operating the plants.

Up to 2010, two primary aluminium production plants, which use a prebake technology with point feeding, characterised by low emissions, have operated. Only one plant, located in Portovesme, was operating until 2012 (99.5 kt of primary aluminium). In 1990, primary aluminium production was 232 kt. In 2019 the plant did not produce primary aluminium. The plant is stopped but not dismantled: in 2018 the new Company Sider Alloys has taken over Portovesme plant from Alcoa, that is currently under renovation. The restart of the renovated plant is scheduled for 2022.

#### Magnesium foundries

In the magnesium foundries, SF<sub>6</sub> is used as a cover gas to prevent oxidation of molten magnesium. In Italy there is only one plant, located in the north, which started its activity in September 1995.

Since the end of 2007, SF<sub>6</sub> has been replaced by HFC125, due to the enforcement of fluorinated gases regulations (EC, 2006; UE, 2014) which, however, allow for the use of SF<sub>6</sub> in annual amounts less than 1 Mg. HFC125 emissions also occurred and, in 2010, they were equal to 605 kg. Since 2011 HFC125 has been replaced by HFC134a (4,027 kg of emissions in 2019).

#### Zinc production

Since 1998, in Italy there is just an integrated plant for the zinc and lead production which cover the entire production of zinc and of primary lead. In 2013, this plant began to submit data in the framework of ETS reporting data subdivided in combustion and process emissions; consequently, a survey has been started to investigate time series for process emissions resulting in CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from 1990 to 2019. CO<sub>2</sub> emissions are referred both to zinc and lead production.

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#### 4.4.2 Methodological issues

CO<sub>2</sub> and CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from the sector have been estimated on the basis of activity data published in the national statistical yearbooks (ISTAT, several years [a]), data reported in the framework of the national EPER/E-PRTR registry and the European Emissions Trading Scheme, and supplied by industry (FEDERACCIAI, several years; ALCOA, several years). Emission factors reported in the EMEP/EEA Guidebook (EMEP/EEA, 2009), in sectoral studies (APAT, 2003; CTN/ACE, 2000) or supplied directly by industry (FEDERACCIAI, 2004; ALCOA, 2004; Italghisa, 2011) have been used.

##### Iron and steel

CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from iron and steel production refer to the carbonates used in sinter plants, in blast furnaces and in steel making plants to remove impurities; they are also related to the steel and pig iron scraps, carbonates, *coals* and graphite electrodes consumed in electric arc furnaces.

Basic information for this sector derives from different sources in the period 1990-2019.

Activity data are supplied by official statistics published in the national statistics yearbook (ISTAT, several years [a]) and by the sectoral industrial association (FEDERACCIAI, several years).

For the integrated plants, emission and production data have been communicated by the two largest plants for the years 1990-1995 in the framework of the CORINAIR emission inventory, distinguished by sinter, blast furnace and BOF, and by combustion and processes emissions. From 2000, CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and production data have been supplied by all the plants in the framework of the ETS scheme, for the years 2000-2004 disaggregated for sinter, blast furnace and BOF plants, from 2005 specifying carbonates and fuels consumption and related CO<sub>2</sub> emissions. For 2002-2019 data have also been supplied by all the integrated iron and steel plants in the framework of the European EPER/E-PRTR registry not distinguished for combustion and processes. Qualitative information and documentation available on the plants allowed reconstructing their history including closures or modifications of part of the plants; additional qualitative information regarding the plants collected and checked for other environmental issues or directly asked to the plant permitted to individuate the main driving of the emission trends for pig iron and steel productions. Finally, since 2017, national experts have also been involved in the process of elaboration of the “monitoring and control plan” for the largest integrated plant in Italy in the framework of IPPC permit, allowing other terms of comparison and verification.

Time series of carbonates used in basic oxygen furnaces have been reconstructed on the basis of the above mentioned information resulting in no emissions in the last years. In fact, carbonates have been substituted by autoproduced lime avoiding CO<sub>2</sub> emissions. Indeed, as regards the largest Italian producer of pig iron and steel, lime production has increased significantly from 2000 to 2008 by about 250,000 over 410,000 tonnes and the amount introduced in basic oxygen furnaces was, in 2004, about 490,000 tonnes (ILVA, 2006). In 2009 lime production, for the same plant, is equal to 216,000 tonnes but also steel production has sharply decreased because of the economic recession; in the following years lime production increased again up to 390,000 but in the last years it decreased because the plant went into receivership. Emissions from lime production in steel making industries are reported in 1.A.2 Manufacturing Industries and Construction category and in 2.A Mineral production respectively for the combustion and processes emissions.

Concerning the electric arc furnaces, additional information on the consumption of scraps, pig iron, graphite and electrodes and their average carbon content has been supplied together with the steel production by industry for a typical plant in 2004 (FEDERACCIAI, 2004) and checked with other sectoral study (APAT, 2003). On the basis of these figures an average emission factor has been calculated and applied for the period 1990 - 2003. Since 2004, the same scheme as the previous period has been followed but using data becoming from ETS and related to the amounts of pig iron, metallurgical coke, graphite, anthracite, dolomite, limestone and electrodes for 33 plants in 2019. The availability of data for each plant has allowed also the application, for a first attempt, of the Tier 3 methodology (IPCC, 2006) that demonstrated the soundness of estimates.

On account of the amount of carbonates estimated in sinter plants, average emission factor was equal in 1990 to 0.15 t CO<sub>2</sub>/t pig iron production, while in 2019 it reduced to 0.08 t CO<sub>2</sub>/t pig iron production. The reduction is driven by the increase in the use of lime instead of carbonates in sinter and blast furnaces in the Italian plants. Emissions are reported under pig iron because they are emitted as CO<sub>2</sub> in the blast furnaces producing pig iron. CO<sub>2</sub> average emission factor in basic oxygen furnaces results in 1990 equal to 0.079 t CO<sub>2</sub>/t steel production, while from 2003 is null.

CO<sub>2</sub> average emission factor in electric arc furnaces, equal to 0.035 t CO<sub>2</sub>/t steel production, has been calculated on the basis of the Tier 2 of the 2006 IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006) taking into account the pig iron and graphite electrodes used in the furnace and the amount of carbon stored in the final product. The same emission factor has been used for the period 1990 - 2003. Since 2004 ETS data have been used, in this way it

has been possible to evaluate the contribute of anthracite and metallurgical coke producing an emission factor equal 0.051 t CO<sub>2</sub>/t of steel in 2019. The amount of carbon stored in steel produced with EAF has been considered and subtracted from the carbon balance (see Annex 3). Implied emission factors for steel production reduced from 0.053 to 0.041 t CO<sub>2</sub>/t steel production, from 1990 to 2019, due to the reduction in the basic oxygen furnaces.

CO<sub>2</sub> emissions due to the consumption of coke, coal or other reducing agents used in the iron and steel industry have been accounted for as fuel consumption and reported in the energy sector, including fuel consumption of derived gases; in Annex 3, the energy and carbon balance in the iron and steel sector, with detailed explanation, is reported.

During the last in country review, Italy reported on the results of a survey which found that there is no accurate information by which to disaggregate the emissions between energy and process. Coke is the only irreplaceable material in the blast furnace as it has several roles:

- the combustion of coke produces carbon monoxide which is responsible for the reduction of iron ores;
- the combustion of coke generates the heat needed to melt the iron ore;
- coke mechanically supports the charge allowing the crossing of the reducing gas;
- coke allows the process of carburation of liquid iron by lowering its melting point.

These are intrinsic properties of the coke and cannot be separated one from the other, all the coke when burning simultaneously produces energy in the form of heat and CO as a reducing agent.

As any arbitrary disaggregation would not reflect the real situation, the ERT agreed that leaving the total emissions from the use of coke in the iron and steel industry in the energy sector is appropriate. Ultimately, carbon plays the dual role of fuel and reductant and it is very important not to double-count the carbon from the consumption of coke or other reducing agents if this is already accounted for as fuel consumption in the energy sector. For this reason, a balance is made between the coal used for coke production and the quantities of derived fuels used in various sectors. The iron and steel sector gets the resulting quantities of energy and carbon after subtraction of what is used for electricity generation, non energy purposes and other industrial sectors (see Annex 3).

The amount of carbon stored in steel produced in integrated plants has been considered and subtracted from the carbon balance (see Annex 3). The amount of carbon contained in steel has been estimated on the basis of EN standard and, from 2005, with emission trading data. Carbon stored is equal to 48,511 tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> in 1990 and equal to 12,843 Mg in 2019.

CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from steel production have been estimated on the basis of emission factors derived from the specific IPPC BREF Report (IPPC, 2001 available at <http://eippcb.jrc.es>), sectoral study (APAT, 2003) and the EMEP/CORINAIR Guidebook (EMEP/CORINAIR, 2007) and refer to blast furnace, basic oxygen furnace, electric furnaces and rolling mills.

### Ferrous alloys

CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from ferrous alloys have been estimated on the basis of activity data published in the national statistical yearbooks (ISTAT, several years [a]) until 2001. Time series of ferrous alloys activity data have been reconstructed from 2002 on the basis of statistical information (ISTAT, 2003), personal communication (Italgisa, 2011) and on the basis of production data communicated to E-PRTR register and to ETS from the only plant of ferrous alloys in Italy. The comparison between E-PRTR and ETS data revealed some differences: further investigation led to a direct contact with the plant and to rectify the incorrect activity data.

The average emission factor has been calculated according to the IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006) taking into consideration the different types of ferrous alloys produced. The splitting up of national production in different types of ferrous alloys was obtained from U.S. Geological Survey until 2001 (USGS, several years). Since 2002 only one plant of ferrous alloys is located in Italy and different types of production are reconstructed on the basis of information listed above. This information is reported in the table 4.19.

**Table 4.19 Splitting up of ferrous alloys national production and IPCC 2006 emission factors**

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015-2019	IPCC 2006 EF
<i>Ferrous alloy (%)</i>											kg/t
FeCr	0.30	0.26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,300
FeMn	0.24	0.10	0.28	0.50	0.40	0.60	0.36	0.29	0.61	-	1,500
FeSi	0.02	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,800
SiMn	0.32	0.53	0.62	0.50	0.60	0.40	0.64	0.71	0.39	-	1,400

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015-2019	IPCC 2006 EF
Si-Metal	0.06	0.05	0.03	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,000
Other	0.07	0.06	0.07	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,000

Implied emission factor for ferroalloys has been reduced from 1.90 to 1.46 t CO<sub>2</sub>/t ferroalloys production, from 1990 to 2014 as a consequence of the sharp reduction in ferroalloys production, which is characterized by high emission factors (ferro-silicon and silicon-metal alloys). The simultaneous reduction of total production (from about 200 kt to 16 kt) has resulted in CO<sub>2</sub> emissions decreasing from 395 Kt in 1990 to 24 Kt in 2014. Since 2015 the plant did not work.

#### *Primary aluminium production*

PFC emissions from aluminium production have been estimated using both Tier 1 and Tier 2 - IPCC methodologies. The Tier 1 has been used to calculate PFC emissions from 1990 to 1999, while Tier 2 has been used since 2000; the use of different methods along the period is due to the lack of detailed data for the years previous to 2000.

Although a number of attempts have been tried over the last years by the inventory team to retrieve the 1990-1999 historical operating data, it is not possible to retrieve the information: Alcoa cannot provide operating data for the period from 1990 to 1999 as the plants were managed by a different company not operating anymore. Thus the decision to use both tiers, which was supported by previous review processes, confirming the transparency, accuracy and conservativeness of this approach.

PFC emissions, specifically CF<sub>4</sub> and C<sub>2</sub>F<sub>6</sub>, have been calculated on the basis of information provided by national statistics (ENIRISORSE, several years; ASSOMET, several years) and the national primary aluminium producer (ALCOA, several years), with reference to the documents drawn up by the International Aluminium Institute (IAI, 2003; IAI 2006) and the IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006).

Tier 1 method has been used to calculate PFC emissions related to the entire period 1990-1999. The emission factors for CF<sub>4</sub> and C<sub>2</sub>F<sub>6</sub> were provided by the main national producer (ALCOA, 2004) based on the IAI document (IAI, 2003).

The Tier 1 method used by ALCOA is based on the IAI methodology, which collected anode effect data from 1990 up to 2000, accounting also for reductions in specific emission for all technology categories (specific factors for Point Fed Prebake cells have been considered to estimate emissions).

In 1990 at the five production sites the following technologies were implemented:

- Fusina: Point Fed Prebake (16% of the cells) and Side Work Prebake (84% of the cells);
- Portovesme: Point Fed Prebake (84% of the cells) and Side Work Prebake (16% of the cells);
- Bolzano: Vertical Stud Soderberg (100% of the cells)
- Fusina 2 and Porto Marghera: Side Work Prebake (100% of the cells).

The EFs for PFCs were then calculated by ALCOA as weighted arithmetic mean values of EFs for the different technologies (IAI, 2003), the weights representing the implemented technologies.

In the following tables (Tables 4.20, 4.21) the emission factors and the default parameters used are reported; site specific values are confidential but they have been supplied to the inventory team and taken into account in the estimation process.

**Table 4.20 Historical default Tetrafluoromethane (CF<sub>4</sub>) emission values by reduction technology type (IAI, 2003)**

	Technology specific emissions (kg CF <sub>4</sub> / t Al)		
	1990 - 1993	1994 - 1997	1998 - 1999
Point Fed Prebake	0.3	0.1	0.08
Side Work Prebake	1.4	1.4	1.4
Vertical Stud Soderberg	0.6	0.5	0.4

**Table 4.21 Multiplier factor for calculation of Hexafluoroethane (C<sub>2</sub>F<sub>6</sub>) by technology type (IAI, 2003)**

Technology multiplier factor	
Center Work Prebake	0.17
Point Fed Prebake	0.17
Side Work Prebake	0.24
Vertical Stud Soderberg	0.06

PFC emissions for the period from the year 2000 are estimated by the IPCC Tier 2 method, based on default technology specific slope factors and facility specific anode effect minutes. Site-specific values (CF<sub>4</sub> and C<sub>2</sub>F<sub>6</sub>

emissions) and default coefficients (slope coefficients for CF<sub>4</sub> and C<sub>2</sub>F<sub>6</sub>) were provided by the main national producer (ALCOA, several years). Moreover, from 2005 certificated emission values and parameters, including anode effects, have been communicated under EU-ETS (ALCOA, 2010).

In Table 4.22 slope coefficients used for CF<sub>4</sub> and C<sub>2</sub>F<sub>6</sub> are reported. ALCOA uses these values suggested by International Aluminium Institute (IAI, 2006), in accordance to the coefficients reported in the IPCC 2006 Guidelines (IPCC, 2006).

**Table 4.22 CF<sub>4</sub> and C<sub>2</sub>F<sub>6</sub> Slope Coefficients (IAI, 2006)**

Type of Cell	CF <sub>4</sub>	C <sub>2</sub> F <sub>6</sub>
	Slope Factor (kg PFC/tAl/AE-minutes/cell day)	
Center Work Prebake	0.143	0.0173

*Anode Effects (minutes/cell day)*

	2000	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
<b>Primary Aluminium Plant</b>	0.96	0.87	0.74	1.00	0.55	0.81	0.60	0.53	0.31

CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from aluminium production have been also estimated on the basis of activity data provided by industrial association (ENIRISORSE, several years; ASSOMET, several years) and default emission factor reported by industry (ALCOA, 2004) and by the IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 1997) which refer to the prebaked anode process.

Emission factor has been assumed equal to 1.55 t CO<sub>2</sub>/t primary aluminum production for the years 1990-2001, on the basis of data provided by the producer for 2002; this value is also consistent with the emission factors contained in the IPCC Guidelines and in the Aluminium Sector Greenhouse Gas Protocol. Since 2002 the emission factor has been calculated on account of information from the relevant plant supplied to the national EPER/EPRTR registry (emissions and productions). Therefore, thanks to the availability of this additional information, CO<sub>2</sub> emission estimations have been carried out by the operator since 2002 according to the criteria defined by the International Aluminium Institute (IAI) and are given by the following three components:

- Electrolysis Emissions from Prebake Anode
- Pitch Volatile Matter Oxidation from Pitch Coking
- Bake Furnace Packing Material

This detailed information is not available for previous years (1990-2001) so the Tier 2 approach can not be extended to those years and Tier 1 has to be used. Although a number of attempts have been tried for the last years by the inventory team to retrieve the same information related to 1990-2001, those data cannot be retrieved. Therefore, the Tier1+Tier2 approach allows ensuring the quality of the estimates and also the consistency of the CO<sub>2</sub> emissions time series depending on the quality of the available information.

In the following tables (Tables 4.23, 4.24) the emission factors and the default parameters used are reported; site specific values are confidential but they have been supplied to the inventory team.

**Table 4.23 Coefficients used for estimation of CO<sub>2</sub> from aluminium production process with the Tier 2 methodology by plant**

	Baked Anode Properties		
	Sulphur Weight %	Ash Weight %	Impurities Weight %
Portovesme	ssv*	Ssv	DV** = 0.4
Fusina	DV = 1.6	Ssv	DV = 0.4

\* site specific value

\*\* default value

**Table 4.24 Coefficients used for estimation of CO<sub>2</sub> from aluminium production process with the Tier 2 methodology by plant**

	Pitch content in green anodes	Hydrogen content in pitch	Recovered tar	Packing coke consumption	Sulphur content of packing coke	Ash content of packing coke
	Weight %	Weight %	kg/t BAP	t Pcc/t BAP	Weight %	Weight %
Portovesme	ssv*	ssv	DV** = 0	DV = 0.05	DV = 3	DV = 5
Fusina	ssv	DV = 4.45	DV = 0	DV = 0.05	DV = 3	DV = 5

\* site specific value

\*\* default value

### Magnesium Production

For SF<sub>6</sub> used in magnesium foundries, according to the IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006), emissions are estimated from consumption data made available by the company (Shiloh Industries Italia, several years), assuming that all SF<sub>6</sub> used is emitted. In 2007, SF<sub>6</sub> has been used partially, replaced in November by HFC125, due to the enforcement of fluorinated gases regulation (EC, 2006). This regulation allows for the use of SF<sub>6</sub> in annual amounts less than 850 kg starting from 1 January 2008; for this reason, SF<sub>6</sub> was still reported together with HFC 125 emissions for the years 2008, 2009 while for 2010 only HFC125 was reported. Since 2011 HFC134a was replaced HFC125.

#### Zinc production

Until the 2016 submission, emissions from lead and zinc production have been reported only in 1.A.2 because of the lack of information about process emissions. Since 2013, ETS data contain info about the sole integrated plant in Italy but, as it is an integrated plant, it is not possible to distinguish zinc from lead emissions, so in CRF tables IE is reported for category 2.C.5 Lead production and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions are reported in 2.C.6 Zinc production.

Starting from ETS activity and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions data for the period 2013 – 2017, it has been possible to reconstruct the time series on the basis of different sources as this plant already submitted its data to INES/E-PRTR register since 2002 (but without the distinction between combustion and process) and on the basis of activity data and info on the technological evolution provided by industrial association (ENIRISORSE, several years; ASSOMET, several years). In the period 1990 – 2019 activity data and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions show a decreasing trend, in particular emissions decrease from 500 Mg in 1990 to 245 Mg in 2019 and the IEF change from 1.56 to 1.41 kgCO<sub>2</sub>/Mg of Pb and Zn.

#### **4.4.3 Uncertainty and time-series consistency**

The combined uncertainty in PFC emissions from primary aluminium production is estimated to be about 20% in annual emissions, 3% and 20% concerning respectively activity data and emission factors; the uncertainty for HFC emissions from magnesium foundries is estimated to be about 20%, 3% for activity data and 20% for emission factors. The uncertainty in emissions from iron and steel, ferroalloys and zinc production is estimated to be 10.4%.

In Table 4.24 emission trends of CO<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>4</sub> and F-gases from metal production are reported. The decreasing of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from iron and steel sector is driven by the use of lime instead of limestone and dolomite to remove impurities in pig iron and steel and by the production level while CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from aluminium, zinc and ferroalloys are driven mainly by the production levels.

In Table 4.25 the emission trend of F-gases per compound from metal production is given. PFC emissions from aluminium production decreased because of the closure of three old plants in 1991 and 1992 and the update of technology for the two plants still operating. The decreasing of SF<sub>6</sub> consumption in the magnesium foundry from 2003 is due to the abandonment of recycling plant and the optimisation of mixing parameters.

**Table 4.24 CO<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>4</sub> and F-gas emissions from metal production, 1990 – 2019 (kt)**

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
<b>CO<sub>2</sub> (kt)</b>										
Iron and steel	3,124	2,897	1,280	1,656	1,343	1,327	1,473	1,408	1,436	1,357
Aluminium production	359	276	295	299	250	-	-	-	-	-
Ferroalloys	395	230	229	89	77	-	-	-	-	-
Zinc production	500	500	498	375	164	236	237	267	245	245
<b>CH<sub>4</sub> (kt)</b>										
Pig iron	2.13	2.10	2.02	2.06	1.54	0.91	1.09	0.91	0.87	0.83
Steel	0.58	0.60	0.60	0.67	0.63	0.62	0.64	0.69	0.71	0.68
<b>PFC (kt CO<sub>2</sub> eq.)</b>										
Aluminium production	1,975	350	231	212	99	-	-	-	-	-
<b>SF<sub>6</sub> (kt)</b>										
Magnesium foundries			0.0072	0.0035	0.0007	-	-	-	-	-
<b>HFC125 - (kt)</b>										
Magnesium foundries					0.0006	-	-	-	-	-
<b>HFC134a - (kt)</b>										
Magnesium foundries						0.0071	0.0073	0.0072	0.0068	0.0040

**Table 4.25 F-gas emissions per compound from metal production in kt CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent, 1990 – 2019**

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
	<i>kt CO<sub>2</sub> eq.</i>									
CF <sub>4</sub> (PFC-14)	1,465.8	268.1	192.4	176.8	82.7	-	-	-	-	-
C <sub>2</sub> F <sub>6</sub> (PFC-16)	509.4	81.8	38.4	35.3	16.5	-	-	-	-	-
Total PFC emissions from aluminium production	1,975.1	349.9	230.8	212.1	99.2	-	-	-	-	-
SF <sub>6</sub> emissions from magnesium foundries	-	-	164.2	80.8	16.7	-	-	-	-	-
HFC-125 emissions from magnesium foundries	-	-	-	-	2.1	-	-	-	-	-
HFC-134a emissions from magnesium foundries	-	-	-	-	-	10.2	10.4	10.3	9.7	5.8
Total F-gas emissions from metal production	1,975.1	349.9	395.0	292.9	118.0	10.2	10.4	10.3	9.7	5.8

In response to the 2010 review process (UNFCCC, 2010), a more robust Tier 1 comparison has been evaluated in order to strengthen the conservativeness of combined Tier 1 and Tier 2 approaches.

In particular, as suggested by previous review processes, several comparisons were analysed, using Tier 1 and Tier 2 approach, and under Tier 1 approach using different emission factors available from the following references (IAI, 2003; IAI, 2006; IPCC 2000):

1. 2003 International Aluminium Institute document, supplied by ALCOA to calculate emissions from 1990 to 1999 and actually used by the Party;
2. the updated 2006 International Aluminium Institute document, which agree with new 2006 IPCC Guidelines;
3. 2000 IPCC Good Practice Guidance.

In Tables 4.26 and 4.27 CF<sub>4</sub> and C<sub>2</sub>F<sub>6</sub> default emission factors (Tier 1) and slope coefficient data (Tier 2) by technology are reported, distinguished for different reference sources.

**Table 4.26 Default CF<sub>4</sub> and C<sub>2</sub>F<sub>6</sub> Emission Factors**

Plant Technology	CF <sub>4</sub> (kg/t)				C <sub>2</sub> F <sub>6</sub> (kg/t)			
	IAI 2003	IAI 2006	GPG 2000	GL 2006	IAI 2003	IAI 2006	GPG 2000	GL 2006
CWPB	0.4	0.4	0.31	0.4	0.17	0.04	0.04	0.04
PFPB	0.3*	-	-	-	0.17*	-	-	-
SWPB	1.4	1.6	1.7	1.6	0.24	0.4	0.17	0.4
VSS	0.6	0.8	0.61	0.8	0.06	0.04	0.061	0.04
HSS	0.7	0.4	0.6	0.4	0.09	0.03	0.06	0.03

\*This value refer to period 1990 – 1993 (see Table 4.6)

**Table 4.27 Default CF<sub>4</sub> and C<sub>2</sub>F<sub>6</sub> Slope Coefficients**

Plant Technology	CF <sub>4</sub> (kg PFC / t Al / AE minutes/cell day)				C <sub>2</sub> F <sub>6</sub> (kg PFC / t Al / AE minutes/cell day)			
	IAI 2003	IAI 2006	GPG 2000	GL 2006	IAI 2003	IAI 2006	GPG 2000	GL 2006
CWPB	0.14	0.143	0.14	0.143	0.018	0.0173	0.018	0.0173
PFPB	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
SWPB	0.29	0.272	0.29	0.272	0.029	0.0685	0.029	0.0685
VSS	0.067	0.092	0.068	0.092	0.003	0.0049	0.003	0.0049
HSS	0.18	0.099	0.18	0.099	0.018	0.0084	0.018	0.0084

Worthy of remark is that, lacking specific plant data, IAI 2003 is the only document including emission factors for Point Fed Prebake technology, which is the technology implemented at the only remaining production site since 1990. Moreover, as reported in this document, IAI proposed lowest accuracy default method departs from the IPCC default method. In the IPCC default method, a single specific emission value is specified for each of four reduction technology categories: Center Work Prebake, Side Work Prebake, Vertical Stud Søderberg and Horizontal Stud Søderberg. The IPCC expert working panel mostly based these default factors on 1990 average IAI anode effect data and the average technology specific slope factors. IAI survey data collected since the publication of the original IPCC default values shows substantial reductions over the period 1990 to 2000 in specific emissions in all technology categories. In addition, it has been shown that among the overall category of Center Work Prebake cells, the more modern Point Fed Prebake cells have made progress

at a faster rate than for the older bar broken Center Work Prebake cells. Thus the original category has been broken into two separate types.

This is one of the most important reasons that convinced Italy to use IAI 2003 default emission factors over the period 1990-1999, as indicated also by ALCOA, instead of IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006) default emission factors. As reported in a recent publication supplied by ECOFYS (ECOFYS, 2009), currently all new aluminium plants are designed according to Point Fed Prebake technology and the first improvement in the primary aluminium industry advancement is to replace current technologies with PFPB. Other technologies, Vertical Stud Søderberg, Center Work Prebake and Side Work Prebake are expected to be gradually replaced by PFPB. Only 20% of the existing plants had not yet been upgraded to PFPB in EU27. Moreover, the mean implied emission factor value for CF<sub>4</sub> over the period 2000-2012 is 0.12 (kg/t), comprised between 0.3 and 0.1 kg/t indicated in IAI 2003 for PFPB technology (see Table 4.6).

Figures 4.2 and 4.3 report the comparison in CF<sub>4</sub> emissions time series following Tier 1 and Tier 1 + Tier 2: in each diagram the emissions time series out of different source for EFs are compared.

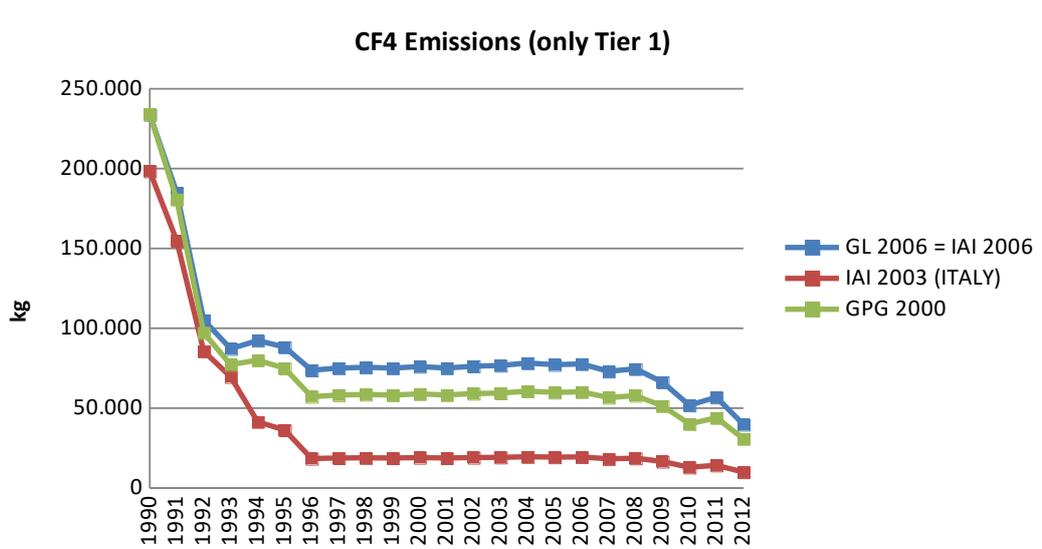


Figure 4.2 CF<sub>4</sub> emissions (only Tier 1)

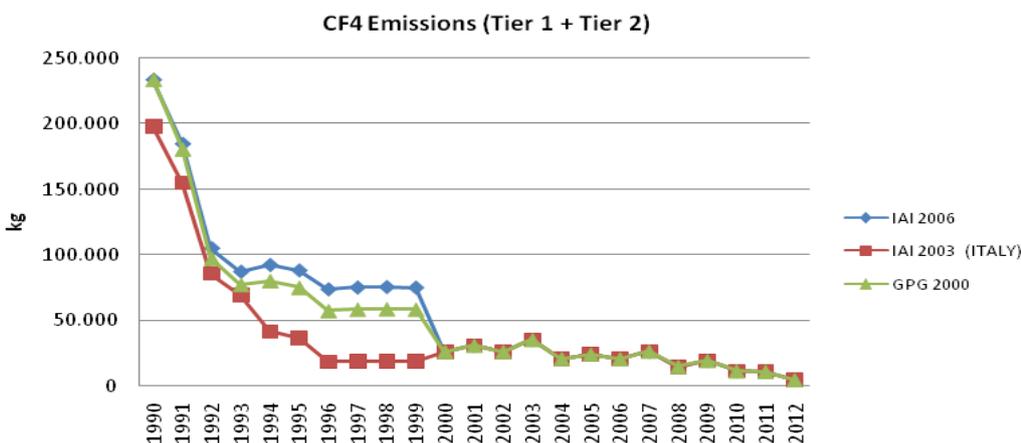


Figure 4.3 CF<sub>4</sub> emissions (Tier 1+Tier 2)

As for consistency, the Tier 1 + Tier 2 approach in estimating emissions is more reliable in producing the time series because it allows to use site specific data provided by the operator from 2000 onwards (and the use of the best available data is a good practice). Moreover, emission factor values reported in the IPCC Good Practice Guidance or in the 2006 IAI document (mean implied emission factor is 0.12 kg/t) lead to higher values for the emissions time series than those calculated out of emission factor values in 2003 IAI document (0.08 kg/t supplied by ALCOA and used by the Party), which means that national estimates can be considered conservative for the period. So for 1990 the use of EFs from IAI 2003, red line, results in CF<sub>4</sub> emission levels lower than those estimated by using the other EF references. This comparison was already done during the compilation of the 2006 submission and the Initial Report, which resulted in the establishment of the assigned amount.

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Tier1 (1990-1999) and Tier 2 (2000-2012) time series are also better linked using IAI 2003 EFs (see Figure 4.3) because of the minor gap from 1999 to 2000 since the mean implied emission factor value for CF<sub>4</sub> over the period 2000-2012 is 0.12 (kg/t), comprised between 0.3 and 0.1 kg/t indicated in IAI 2003 for PFPB technology (see Table 4.6).

For this reason, the use of the combined Tier1+Tier2 approach, in this case, is conservative.

#### ***4.4.4 Source-specific QA/QC and verification***

Emissions from the sector are checked with the relevant process operators. In this framework, primary aluminium production supplied by national statistics (ENIRISORSE, several years; ASSOMET, several years) and the only national producer ALCOA (ALCOA, several years), in addition with data reported in a site-specific study (Sotacarbo, 2004), have been checked. Moreover, emissions from magnesium foundries are annually compared with those reported in the national EPER/E-PRTR registry while for the iron and steel sector emissions reported in the national EPER/E-PRTR registry and for the Emissions Trading Scheme are compared and checked. Emissions from primary aluminium production have been also checked with data reported under EU-ETS.

#### ***4.4.5 Source-specific recalculations***

Minor recalculations occurred in the period 1999-2009 for CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from zinc/lead production because of a first update of activity data due to the survey on data contained in the IPPC permits.

#### ***4.4.6 Source-specific planned improvements***

The analysis of data reported in the IPPC permits of the integrated plant for zinc and lead production should allow a better allocation between zinc and lead emissions.

## **4.5 Non-energy products from fuels and solvent use (2D)**

### ***4.5.1 Source category description***

The sub-sector comprises the following sources: lubricant use, paraffin wax, and other categories which include the use of urea, asphalt roofing and paving with asphalt and solvent use. CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from this category is a key source at level assessment with Approach 2 without and with LULUCF and at trend assessment with Approach 2 only with LULUCF considering the uncertainty; in 1990 it was a key category at level assessment.

#### ***Lubricant use***

Lubricants are mostly used in industrial and transportation applications. Lubricants are produced either at refineries through separation from crude oil or at petrochemical facilities. Under this category, emissions originated by lubricant use in industry and white lubricants and lubricants used for insulating purposes have been considered, CO<sub>2</sub> and NMVOC emissions have been estimated for the whole time series. Emissions from lubricant use in vehicles have been accounted for in the Energy Sector.

#### ***Paraffin wax***

Paraffin waxes are separated from crude oil during the production of light (distillate) lubricating oils. Paraffin waxes are categorised by oil content and the amount of refinement. About 60-70% of the total amount of paraffin waxes produced in the EU area is used to manufacture candles. Nowadays about 95% of candles are paraffin wax candles; 3% are stearic candles and the remaining 2% is made of beeswax. Slack oils could enter the manufacturing process thus potentially resulting into the emissions of SO<sub>x</sub> and PAH.

#### ***Use of urea***

Urea can be used in Selective Catalyst Reduction (SCR) systems to reduce NO<sub>x</sub> emissions from combustion. SCR systems are generally applied to engines (vehicles) and also to industrial combustion (e.g. Power Plants). CO<sub>2</sub> emissions originated by the use of urea in SCR systems have been estimated and reported in this sub-sector.

#### ***Asphalt roofing and road paving with asphalt***

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In Italy 14 facilities have been producing bitumen roofing membranes and about 87 facilities operate in the production and laying of asphalt mix products for road paving. SITEB, the Italian asphalt and road association is the relevant source of information for these two source categories. NMVOC emissions have been estimated for these two source categories along the whole time series.

#### Solvent use

The use of solvents manufactured using fossil fuels as feedstocks can lead to evaporative emissions of various NMVOC and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions, after oxidation of NMVOC in the atmosphere.

Methodologies for estimating NMVOC emissions can be found in the EMEP/EEA air pollutant emission inventory guidebook (EMEP/EEA, 2009). Also some indications on the subcategories to include in the 'solvent use' category are reported in the 2006 IPCC guidelines (IPCC, 2006), which are the following: solvent use in paint application, degreasing and dry cleaning, manufacture and processing of chemical products, other solvent use, such as printing industry, glues application, use of domestic products.

### **4.5.2 Methodological issues**

#### Lubricant use

The use of lubricants in industrial engines is primarily for their lubricating properties and associated emissions are therefore considered as non-combustion emissions to be reported in the IPPU Sector.

NMVOC and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions are reported for this category.

CO<sub>2</sub> emissions for the whole time series are calculated based on a Tier 1 approach considering the average Lower Heating Value (LHV) of lubricants, the average ODU factor and the average carbon content of lubricants (Equation 5.2 IPCC Guidelines 2006):

$$CO_2 \text{ Emissions} = LC \cdot CC_{Lubricant} \cdot ODU_{Lubricant} \cdot 44 / 12$$

where

LC= lubricant consumption

CC<sub>lubricant</sub>= carbon content

ODU<sub>lubricant</sub>= oxidation factor

44/12= mass ratio CO<sub>2</sub>/C

Statistics related to the total amount of lubricants consumed in Italy are officially provided by MSE every year in the petrochemical bulletin (MSE, several years [b]) but no details concerning different kind of lubricants are available thus allowing us only for a Tier 1 approach; LHV, Carbon Content and ODU factors used are the default values included in the IPCC 2006 Guidelines are taken. The activity data for this subcategory is the total consumption of lubricants minus the amount of lubricants used in 2-stroke engines (which is derived from reversing COPERT equation to estimate CO<sub>2</sub> emissions in 2-stroke engines).

Emissions from the use of lubricants in 2-stroke engines have been accounted for in the Energy Sector.

NMVOC emissions for the whole times eries have been estimated too, based on the total lubricants consumption and a NMVOC EF= 28 kg NMVOC/tons of lubricant (EMEP/EEA, 2013). The whole time series for NMVOC emissions has been revised in the present submission as a consequence of the review of the activity data time series.

#### Paraffin wax

In Italy paraffin waxes are mostly used in the manufacture of candles, although a number of different applications (e.g. food production and many others) could have paraffin waxes as an input. Emissions from the use of waxes derive primarily when the waxes or derivatives of paraffins are combusted during use (e.g., candles). No other use of paraffin wax in products implying wax combustion during the product use is known in Italy. In order to estimate CO<sub>2</sub> emissions for the whole time series it has been assumed that 65% of total amount of paraffin wax is destined to the manufacture of candles on account of information provided by the industrial association (Assocandele, 2015). Total paraffin wax consumption is included in "Bollettino Petrolifero" provided by the MSE and publicly available on the MSE website at the following link: <http://dgsaie.mise.gov.it/dgerm/bollettino.asp>. Default values for carbon content of paraffin wax as well as ODU factor and LHV have been assumed (2006 IPCC Guidelines) and applied to the activity data according to a Tier 1 approach as in Equation 5.4 of the 2006 IPCC Guidelines:

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$$CO_2 \text{ Emissions} = PW \cdot CC_{Wax} \cdot ODU_{Wax} \cdot 44 / 12$$

where:

CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions = CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from waxes, tonne CO<sub>2</sub>

PW = total wax consumption, TJ

CCWax = carbon content of paraffin wax (default), tonne C/TJ (= kg C/GJ)

ODUWax = ODU factor for paraffin wax, fraction

44/12 = mass ratio of CO<sub>2</sub>/C

#### Use of urea

Emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> originated by the use of urea in SCR systems in engines and Power plants have been estimated and reported in this sub-sector.

Concerning vehicles, SCR systems were introduced in Italy in 2006 so CO<sub>2</sub> emissions related to SCR systems can be traced back in the time series up to 2006. The amount of urea and CO<sub>2</sub> emitted using urea can be estimated by COPERT, which is the model used by Italy to estimate emissions for road transport. For further details, see paragraph 3.5.3 in the energy chapter.

Concerning power plants, the amount of urea used in SCR systems has been reported by operators under the Italian ETS together with CO<sub>2</sub> emissions since 1997.

#### Asphalt roofing and road paving

NMVOC emissions from the manufacturing of asphalt roofing materials have been estimated based on the total surface of bitumen roofing membranes (Federchimica, several years; Siteb, several years) and default emission factors (EMEP/CORINAIR, 2007; EMEP/EEA, 2009).

NMVOC emissions from road paving operations have been estimated based on the amount of asphalt mix produced for each year (ISTAT, several years [a]; Siteb, several years) and the emission factors also derived from data supplied by Siteb (EPA, 2000; Siteb, several years).

#### Solvent use

Emissions of NMVOC from solvent use have been estimated according to the methodology reported in the EMEP/EEA guidebook, applying both national and international emission factors (Vetrella, 1994; EMEP/CORINAIR, 2007, EMEP/EEA, 2013). Country specific emission factors provided by several accredited sources have been used extensively, together with data from the national EPER/EPRTTR Registry; in particular, for paint application (Offredi P., several years; FIAT, several years [b]), solvent use in dry cleaning (ENEA/USLRMA, 1995), solvent use in textile finishing and in the tanning industries (TECHNE, 1998; Regione Toscana, 2001; Regione Campania, 2005; GIADA 2006). Basic information from industry on percentage reduction of solvent content in paints and other products has been applied to EMEP/EEA emission factors in order to evaluate the reduction in emissions during the considered period.

Emissions from domestic solvent use have been calculated using a detailed methodology, based on VOC content per type of consumer product.

As regards household and car care products, information on VOC content and activity data has been supplied by the Sectoral Association of the Italian Federation of the Chemical Industry (Assocasa, several years) and by the Italian Association of Aerosol Producers (AIA, several years [a] and [b]). As regards cosmetics and toiletries, basic data have been supplied by the Italian Association of Aerosol Producers too (AIA, several years [a] and [b]) and by the national Institute of Statistics and industrial associations (ISTAT, several years [a], [b], [c] and [d]; UNIPRO, several years); emission factors time series have been reconstructed on the basis of the information provided by the European Commission (EC, 2002).

The conversion of NMVOC emissions into CO<sub>2</sub> emissions has been carried out considering the carbon content value. In the previous submission carbon content was set equal to 85% as indicated by the European Environmental Agency for the CORINAIR project (EEA, 1997); as a result of the technical review in the framework of Article 19(1) of the European Regulation No 525/2013 it was recommended to use a fossil carbon content equal to 65% as indicated in the 2006 IPCC Guidelines (chapter 5.5.4).

### 4.5.3 Uncertainty and time-series consistency

The combined uncertainty in CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from non energy products from fuels and solvent use is estimated equal to 58.3% due to an uncertainty of 30% and 50% in activity data and emission factors, respectively.

In 2019, CO<sub>2</sub> derive mainly from the subcategory ‘Other’, which accounts for 79% of the sectoral emissions; specifically, emissions from the use of solvent share 72.3%. The second source of sectoral emissions is the use of lubricants contributing to 20% of the total. Table 4.28 shows CO<sub>2</sub> emission trend from 1990 to 2019.

**Table 4.28 Trend in CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from the non energy products from fuels and solvent use category (kt)**

Gas/subcategory	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
<b>2D. Non-energy products from fuels. Other</b>	<b>1,712</b>	<b>1,554</b>	<b>1,421</b>	<b>1,359</b>	<b>1,128</b>	<b>975</b>	<b>986</b>	<b>1,059</b>	<b>1,093</b>	<b>1,091</b>
2D1. Lubricant use	351	303	308	287	215	213	230	231	230	218
2D2. Paraffin wax use	19	20	21	14	13	15	12	13	11	7
2D.3. Other	1,343	1,231	1,092	1,058	900	748	744	814	852	866
2D3a. Urea (emissions abatement in engines)	-	-	-	-	24	45	50	50	62	67
2D3b. Urea (emissions abatement in power plants)	-	-	2.38	2.35	11.71	7.34	7.04	7.50	9.31	10.32
2D3c. Road paving	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2D3d. Asphalt roofing	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2D3e. Solvent	1,343	1,231	1,089	1,056	865	696	686	757	781	789
Paint application	595	555	497	471	345	286	288	337	334	340
Degreasing and dry cleaning	136	82	64	56	49	43	42	41	40	39
Chemical products	170	189	182	131	121	109	110	127	118	112
Other	441	404	347	397	350	258	247	252	289	298

The decrease observed in emission levels from 1990 to 2019, about 36%, is to be attributed to the reduction in emissions from solvent use, mainly for the reduction in paint application, application of glue and adhesives and domestic solvent use; specifically, the reduction of emissions from paint application for domestic use, which drop by about 44% from 1990, is due to the implementation of Italian Legislative Decree 161/2006. Other European directives applies to the solvent use category, which represents the main source of NMVOC emissions at national level (41% of the total NMVOC); for instance, the European Directives (EC, 1999; EC, 2004) regarding NMVOC emission reduction in paint application entered into force, in Italy, in January 2004 and in March 2006, establishing a reduction of the solvent content in products.

### 4.5.4 Source-specific QA/QC and verification

For the solvent use category, different QA/QC and verification activities are carried out. Data production and consumption time series for some activities (paint application in constructions and buildings, polyester processing, polyurethane processing, pharmaceutical products, paints manufacturing, glues manufacturing, textile finishing, leather tanning, fat edible and non edible oil extraction, application of glues and adhesives) are checked with data acquired by the National Statistics Institute (ISTAT, several years [a], [b] and [c]), the Sectoral Association of the Italian Federation of the Chemical Industry (AVISA, several years) and the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO, several years). For specific categories, emission factors and emissions are also shared with the relevant industrial associations; this is particularly the case of paint application for wood, some chemical processes and anaesthesia and aerosol cans.

In the framework of the MeditAIRaneo project, ISPRA commissioned to Techne Consulting S.r.l. a survey to collect national information on emission factors in the solvent sector. The results, published in the report “*Rassegna dei fattori di emissione nazionali ed internazionali relativamente al settore solventi*” (TECHNE, 2004), have been used to verify and validate the emission estimates. ISPRA commissioned to Techne Consulting S.r.l. another survey to compare emission factors with the last update published in the EMEP/EEA guidebook (EMEP/EEA, 2009). The results are reported in “*Fattori di emissione per l’utilizzo di solventi*” (TECHNE, 2008) and have been used to update emission factors for polyurethane and polystyrene foam processing activities.

In addition, for paint application, data communicated from the industries in the framework of the EU Directive 2004/42, implemented by the Italian Legislative Decree 161/2006, on the limitation of emissions of volatile organic compounds due to the use of organic solvents in certain paints and varnishes and vehicle refinishing

products have been used as a verification of emission estimates. These data refer to the composition of the total amount of paints and varnishes (water and solvent contents) in different subcategories for interior and exterior use and the total amount of products used for vehicle refinishing and they are available from the year 2007. Additional verifications of the emissions from the sector occurred in 2012, on account of the bilateral independent review between Italy and Spain and the revision of national estimates and projections in the context of the National emission ceilings Directive for the EU Member States and the Gothenburg Protocol of the Convention on Long-Range Transboundary Air Pollution (CLRTAP).

#### 4.5.5 Source-specific recalculations

Significant recalculation occurred along the whole timeseries for CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from Lubricant use (2.D.1) due to the use of updated activity data timeseries and also in 2.D.3.

As for CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from lubricants use, recalculations occurred along the whole timeseries due to the update of the data resulting from COPERT model, as shown in the table 4.29:

**Table 4.29 recalculation of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from lubricants use**

	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	
<b>2D1 - Lubricants CO<sub>2</sub></b>	-3%	-4%	-5%	-5%	-5%	-5%	-5%	-5%	-5%	-6%	-5%	-6%	-6%	-6%	
	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
<b>2D1 - Lubricants CO<sub>2</sub></b>	-5%	1%	1%	1%	0%	0%	0%	-1%	-5%	-3%	-1%	0%	1%	3%	-1%

Significant recalculations for CO<sub>2</sub> emissions occurred from the use of urea in engines (years from 2006 to 2017), as shown in table 4.30, due to the update of the data resulting from COPERT model.

**Table 4.30 recalculation of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from the use of UREA in SCR systems (vehicles)**

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
<b>2D.3.a UREA in SCR systems (vehicles) - CO<sub>2</sub></b>	6%	4%	3%	3%	-2%	3%	3%	2%	1%	1%	2%	4%	6%

#### 4.5.6 Source-specific planned improvements

No further improvements are planned.

## 4.6 Electronics Industry Emissions (2E)

### 4.6.1 Source category description

Fluorocarbons emissions from this sub-sector are from semiconductor manufacturing industry (2.E.1).

Actually in Italy, there are three national plants of semiconductor manufacturing, owned by two company, ST Microelectronics (in the past purchased for a couple of years by Numonyx) and LFoundry (ex Micron Technology): in particular, ST Microelectronic is active from 1995, while LFoundry from 1998.

The semiconductor manufacturing companies supply yearly consumption and emission data for each plant (ST Microelectronics, several years; Micron, several years; Numonyx, several years; LFoundry, several years).

F-gas emissions from semiconductor manufacturing are estimated using the Tier 2a methodology of the new 2006 IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006).

Fluorinated compounds emissions from heat transfer fluids are also estimated. Since 2017 the industry has started to communicate the consumption of the substances used in service equipment and consequently emissions have been estimated equal to consumptions (ST Microelectronic, several years; LFoundry, several years). For the previous years, industry communicated that no data is available and explained that consumptions of these substances are of course linked to the production but not dependent on it (i.e. if production of semiconductor occur, the use of these service equipment occur, but the refrigerant consumption is random). Because of previous considerations, emissions have been estimated constant for the whole time series.

As concern photovoltaic (PV) manufacturing, actually in Italy there is no production of PV cells, but only assembly. Before 2011, PV cells production occurred but no fluorinated compounds have been used for the process (Lux, 2015; Solsonica, 2015). Finally, no thin-film-transistor flat panel display (TFT-FPD) production occurs in Italy (Linde Gas, 2015). The share of F-gas emissions from the electronics industry in the national total of F-gases accounts for 1.47% in 2019.

#### 4.6.2 Methodological issues

F-gas emissions from semiconductor manufacturing are estimated using the Tier 2a methodology of the 2006 IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006). As reported in the Guidelines, total emissions are equal to the sum of emissions from the gas  $FC_i$  used in the production process plus the emissions of by-product calculated with equation 6.3/6.4/6.5/6.6.

Companies involved in the semiconductor manufacturing provide yearly data on consumption and emissions (ST Microelectronics, several years; Micron, several years; Numonyx, several years; LFoundry, several years), calculated on the basis of the following equation, accepted by the World Semiconductor Council (WSC). The formula gathers the IPCC Guidelines equations (combining equations 6.2/6.3/6.4/6.5/6.6 of the Guidelines) and includes both direct and by-product emissions):

$$\text{Emissions for } PFC_i = PFC_i \cdot (1-h) \cdot [(1-C_i)(1-A_i) \cdot GWP_i + B_i \cdot GWP_{(byproduct)} \cdot (1-A_{(byproduct)})]$$

where:

$h$  = fraction of gas<sub>i</sub> remaining in container (heel)

$PFC_i$  = purchases of gas<sub>i</sub> =  $kg_{S_i}$

$kg_{S_i}$  = mass of gas<sub>i</sub> purchased

$GWP_i$  = 100 yr global warming potential of gas<sub>i</sub>

$C_i$  = average utilization factor of gas<sub>i</sub> (average for all etch and CVD processes) =  $1 - EF_i$

$EF_i$  = average emission factor of gas<sub>i</sub> (average for all etch and CVD processes)

$B_i$  = mass of  $CF_4$  created per unit mass of  $PFC_i$  transformed

$A_i$  = fraction of  $PFC_i$  destroyed by abatement =  $a_{i,j} \cdot V_a$

##### By product formation

$A_{CF_4}$  = fraction of  $PFC_i$  converted to  $CF_4$  and destroyed by abatement =  $a_{CF_4} \cdot V_a$

$a_{i,j}$  = average destruction efficiency of abatement tool<sub>j</sub> for gas<sub>i</sub>

$a_{CF_4}$  = average destruction efficiency of abatement tool<sub>j</sub> for  $CF_4$

$V_a$  = fraction of gas<sub>i</sub> that is fed into the abatement tools

$A_{CF_4}$  = fraction of  $PFC_i$  converted to  $CF_4$  and destroyed by abatement =  $a_{CF_4} \cdot V_a$

$a_{i,j}$  = average destruction efficiency of abatement tool<sub>j</sub> for gas<sub>i</sub>

$a_{CF_4}$  = average destruction efficiency of abatement tool<sub>j</sub> for  $CF_4$

$A_{C_2F_6}$  = fraction of  $PFC_i$  that is converted to  $C_2F_6$  and destroyed by abatement =  $a_{C_2F_6} \cdot V_a$

$a_{C_2F_6}$  = average destruction efficiency of abatement tool<sub>j</sub> for  $C_2F_6$

$A_{C_3F_8}$  = fraction of  $PFC_i$  that is converted to  $C_3F_8$  and destroyed by abatement =  $a_{C_3F_8} \cdot V_a$

$a_{C_3F_8}$  = average destruction efficiency of abatement tool<sub>j</sub> for  $C_3F_8$

$V_a$  = fraction of gas<sub>i</sub> that is fed into the abatement tools

Emissions are calculated for the following fluorinated gases: HFC 23, HFC 32, HFC 134a,  $C_2F_6$ ,  $CF_4$ ,  $C_3F_8$ ,  $C_4F_8$ ,  $SF_6$  and  $NF_3$ . From 2012, according with World Semiconductor Council (WSC), data on  $CH_2F_2$ ,  $C_4F_6$ ,  $C_5F_8$  are gathered.

Since 2000, emissions are calculated considering the contribution of abatement systems.

ST Microelectronics provided emissions for each gas ( $CF_4$ ,  $C_2F_6$ , HFC 23,  $C_2F_6$ ,  $C_3F_8$ ,  $C_4F_8$ ,  $SF_6$  and  $NF_3$ ) for the year 1995 and from 2001 onwards. For the years 1996-2000 the company was not able to provide detailed data but only aggregated total emissions confirming that they occurred for all the gases and emissions of each gas have been estimated proportionally taking in account their distribution in 1995 and 2001. Moreover, on

the basis of the 2001 emission factors (emission gas<sub>i</sub>/consumption gas<sub>i</sub>), consumption data have been extrapolated for the missing years.

For what concern Heat Transfer Fluids, during the manufacture of semiconductor devices, HTFs serve as coolants in chillers, removing excess heat during many manufacturing processes. During semiconductor device testing, containers of HTFs are cooled or heated to a desired temperature into which the devices are immersed to test their integrity. In addition, when testing the function of devices, HTFs are used to remove the heat the devices generate while being tested. HTFs are also used to attach semiconductor devices to circuit boards via solder, which may be melted by the vapour of an HTF heated to its boiling point. HTFs may also serve to cool semiconductor devices and other devices or systems that generate high heat during operation (EPA, 2006). Semiconductor industry started to collect data and communicated from the year 2017 the annual recharge of these coolants. Emissions have been estimated in terms of tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent of unspecified mix of HFCs and PFCs (ST Microelectronic, several years; LFoundry, several years).

#### 4.6.3 Uncertainty and time-series consistency

The combined uncertainty in F-gas emissions for PFC, HFC, SF<sub>6</sub> and NF<sub>3</sub> emissions from semiconductor manufacturing, included Heat Transfer Fluids, is estimated to be about 20.6% in annual emissions, 5% and 20% concerning respectively activity data and emission factors.

In table 4.31 emissions from semiconductor manufacturing are reported.

**Table 4.31 Fluorocarbon emissions from semiconductor industry, 1990 –2019 (kt CO<sub>2</sub> eq.)**

GAS	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
HFC 23	NO	6.07	8.65	7.19	10.73	9.36	8.60	8.94	6.82	9.62
HFC 32	NO	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.11	0.06	0.08	0.08	0.03
HFC 134a	NO	0.00	0.06	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
CF <sub>4</sub>	NO	65.27	131.86	84.89	66.52	94.97	82.62	82.60	102.61	114.17
C <sub>2</sub> F <sub>6</sub>	NO	17.08	121.08	81.22	27.48	21.44	23.33	20.97	28.20	25.87
C <sub>3</sub> F <sub>8</sub>	NO	8.62	11.75	4.29	0.03	0.21	0.27	0.36	0.20	1.30
C <sub>4</sub> F <sub>8</sub>	NO	10.01	1.51	10.02	26.54	19.81	14.73	17.37	15.00	16.41
SF <sub>6</sub>	NO	14.90	61.90	57.16	30.58	47.31	52.71	65.95	50.05	60.03
NF <sub>3</sub>	NO	76.57	13.26	33.38	20.17	28.42	33.98	23.50	22.13	17.84
Unspecified mix of HFCs and PFCs from Heat Transfer Fluids	NO	24.97	24.97	24.97	24.97	24.97	24.97	24.97	23.15	23.54
<b>F-gas emissions (kt CO<sub>2</sub> eq.)</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>223.49</b>	<b>375.04</b>	<b>303.12</b>	<b>207.01</b>	<b>246.60</b>	<b>241.26</b>	<b>244.73</b>	<b>248.25</b>	<b>268.81</b>

#### 4.6.4 Source-specific QA/QC and verification

This source category is covered by the general QA/QC procedures. Where information is available, emissions from production and consumption of fluorinated gases have been checked with data reported to the national EPER/E-PRTR registry.

#### 4.6.5 Source-specific recalculations

Recalculation has occurred due to update of GWP values for the Heat Transfer Fluids activity, whose have been made compliant with AR4.

#### 4.6.6 Source-specific planned improvements

No further improvements are planned.

## 4.7 Emissions of fluorinated substitutes for ozone depleting substances (2F)

### 4.7.1 Source category description

The sub-sector Emissions of fluorinated substitutes for ozone depleting substances consists of the following sub-applications:

2.F.1 – Emissions from Refrigeration and Air Conditioning

2.F.2 – Emissions from Foam blowing Agents

2.F.3 – Emissions from Fire Protection

2.F.4 – Emissions from Aerosols

For category 2.F.5 Solvents, at the moment there is no evidence that these emissions occur in Italy although further work is on going to verify it.

Collected data, according to Article 19 of Regulation EU 517/2014, have been analysed. Only one company has declared for the past years a small quantity of HFC preparation placed on Community market for the first time for the years 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011 and 2013 for solvents applications. The Company sent us detailed data on sales in Italy but they explained that these sales are towards 'Chemistry' sector as the substances declared are HFC-134a, R-507 and R-410A, not usually used as solvents, Italy is checking for the correctness of these data with the company. The Company is not able to explain if those data referred effectively to 'Solvent' or it was more probable a mistake and referred to RAC systems in Chemistry industry. By the way, a preliminary emissions estimation has been done and results in less of 10,000 tons of CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent, much more below 0.05% of the national total GHG emissions, so they have been reported as NO.

HFC emissions from Refrigeration and Air Conditioning and from Fire extinguishers are key categories at level and trend assessment, both using Tier 1 and Tier 2, with and without LULUCF, in 2019. HFC emissions from Foam blowing agents is a key category at trend assessment using Approach 2 without LULUCF and at trend assessment, using both Tier 1 and Tier 2 with LULUCF.

The share of F-gas emissions of fluorinated substitutes for ozone depleting substances in the national total of F-gases is 88.4% in 2019.

### 4.7.2 Methodological issues

The methods used to calculate F-gas emissions of fluorinated substitutes for ozone depleting substances are presented in the table 4.32.

**Table 4.32 Sub-sources of F-gas emissions and calculation methods**

Source category	Sub-application	Calculation method
Fluorinated Substitutes for ODS (2F)	Refrigeration and air conditioning equipment (2F1)	IPCC Tier 2a
	Foam blowing (2F2)	IPCC Tier 2a
	Fire extinguishers (2F3)	IPCC Tier 2a
	Aerosols/metered dose inhalers (2F4)	IPCC Tier 2a

Total emissions have been calculated as the sum of Manufacturing emissions, Use emissions, Containers emissions (only for Stationary Air Conditioning) and Disposal emissions. For the reporting of "Recovery" simple approach "Recovery" = "amount remaining in products at decommissioning" minus "Disposal emissions" has been assumed.

The Legislative Decree n. 151/05 has implemented in Italy the EU Directive on Waste from Electric and Electronic Equipment. According to this Decree when equipment are disposed of it is by law required to recover the remaining F-gas and either reuse or destruct it, but F-gases data are not available at the moment; although the number of authorized centres for the treatment of WEEE is known, there are many small authorized centres which do not have to report about their activities.

Because of lack of data, for the sub-categories Foam blowing and Fire extinguishers, emissions from disposal are included into the emissions during the product's life for the whole time series. The assumption implies that the F-gas charged into the equipment is emitted completely during the lifetime of the equipment. So at decommissioning there is not F-gas charge left and no emissions or recovery do occur.

IPCC Tier 2a implies the availability of either number of applications/equipment using the individual gas or the amounts of the gas used in the different sectors. Based on the availability of the amount of individual gas produced in Italy and the sectoral uses of the gas we carry out the estimation of emissions according to IPCC

Tier 2a. The estimates are based on single gas consumptions data supplied by the only national refrigerants producer (Solvay, several years) and by industry, except for Domestic Refrigeration and Stationary Air Conditioning sub-sector, where emissions have been calculated on the basis of appliances produced and placed on the market. The methodology applied, although is not a balance of chemical sales, uses specific emission factors for each consumption type.

Due to the methodology used to estimate emissions, based on the consumption of the F-gases in the different categories, where relevant, the estimated consumption includes also the amount of fluid contained in the imported products. As an example, the amount of F-gases used in the air conditioning devices mounted on vehicles manufactured abroad and imported in Italy is part of the information we use in the estimation process. UNRAE, which is the Association of foreign car makers, provide us every year with the amount of F-gases used in the imported vehicles.

In 2016 and 2017, ISPRA signed two agreements with the Ministry of the Environment, Land and Sea for a survey, at a national level, about HFCs alternative substances with low GWP, natural refrigerants and alternative technologies made in Italy (ISPRA [a], 2018). In the meanwhile, an historic global climate deal was reached in Kigali, Rwanda, at the Twenty-Eighth Meeting of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer (MOP28). The so called Kigali Amendment, which amends the 1987 Montreal Protocol, aims to phase out Hydrofluorocarbons (HFCs), by the late 2040s.

In this framework ISPRA is in contact with air conditioning and refrigeration national associations, major import/export F-gas companies, and the major experts of the sector, as well as companies, in order to better understand the market evolution in terms of HFCs substitutes. Data are being collected, both regarding HFCs and substitutes, but at present they are not enough to make a balance of chemical sales and use a top down approach to cross check emission estimates.

#### 4.7.3 Emissions from Stationary Air Conditioning sector

Since the National Inventory Submissions 2019, the estimates of emissions from the Stationary air conditioning sector are no longer based on the consumption data of refrigerants supplied by Solvay (Solvay, several years) but on data of air conditioning equipment production and sales, provided by Assoclisma. ASSOCLIMA, the Italian Association of Air Conditioning Systems Manufacturers, collects an annual statistical survey of the Italian companies in the sector, taking into account the production and sales data by type of equipment and capacity. The Association supplied data on production and sales from 1995 to 2019 (Assoclisma [a], several years) together with data on the average refrigerant charge of each type of appliances (Assoclisma [b], several years). Data interpolation has been done in those cases where data was not available for confidential reasons (this affected some cases for which the companies that declare their production and/or sales were less than 3). Data on production include the appliances manufactured and sold in Italy plus the appliances manufactured in Italy and sold in the foreign market (EU and external EU); data on sales include appliances manufactured and sold in Italy plus appliances imported from abroad and sold in Italy. As Assoclisma represents most of the industry but, for some kind of appliances, not the 100%, multiplicative factors have been provided by the Association in order to cover the total of the air conditioning companies, including those that are not associated. The multiplicative factors have been used for each type of equipment and are constant for all the years of the time series (Assoclisma [b], several years).

Production data have been used to estimate emissions from manufacturing while sales data have been used for estimating operating emissions.

In Table 4.33 the type of appliance, the capacity, the average charge and the multiplicative factor used for the estimation are reported.

**Table 4.33 Type of air conditioning equipment, average refrigerant charge and multiplicative factor**

Type of condensation	Type of equipment		Capacity (kW)	Average charge (kg)	Multiplicative factor
Air cooled	Room air conditioner	Monoblock air conditioner without outdoor unit (double duct)	-	0.6	1
		Monoblock portable air conditioner up to 3 kW (single duct)	< = 3	0.5	1
		Portable air conditioner with remote condenser up to 4 kW (split type)	< = 4	0.8	1
Air cooled			< = 7	1.1	1.13

Type of condensation	Type of equipment		Capacity (kW)	Average charge (kg)	Multiplicative factor
	MONO-SPLIT air conditioning units	Outdoor condensing units connected to an indoor unit (wall floor installation, cassette, ducted false ceiling)	> 7	3.9	1.13
Air cooled	MULTI-SPLIT air conditioning units	Outdoor condensing units connected to indoor units (wall floor installation, cassette, ducted false ceiling)		1.6	1.13
Air cooled	VRF	Mini VRF (only external condensing units)	<16	4.1	1
		VRF (only external condensing units)	>=16	8.9	1
Air or water Cooled	Packaged, roof top ductable or not)	Vertical or horizontal Indoor Packaged	-	3.4	1.2
		Roof top	-	20.7	1.2
Air or water Cooled	Precision air conditioning		< = 17	3.6	1
			> 17	9.2	1
Air Cooled	Chiller	Only cooling or heat pump	Up to 17	2.2	1.15
			from 18 to 50	5.7	1.1
			from 51 to 100	14.3	1.08
			from 101 to 200	29.5	1.05
			from 201 to 350	46.7	1.05
			from 351 to 500	61.9	1.05
			from 501 to 700	89.5	1.05
			from 701 to 900	137.1	1.05
		from 901	154.3	1	
Water Cooled	Chiller	Only cooling or heat pump	Up to 17	0.9	1.2
			from 18 to 50	1.7	1.1
			from 51 to 100	4.5	1.08
			from 101 to 200	9.8	1.05
			from 201 to 350	17.5	1.05
			from 351 to 500	40.4	1.05
			from 501 to 700	70.1	1.05
			from 701 to 900	88.9	1.02
		from 901	127.3	1	

Several factors affected the performance of sales and production data during the considered period. Economic recession, with a negative peak in 2011 for the production data, tax incentives and new electricity charges are some of these factors. Incentives have concerned, in example, the replacement of winter heating systems with systems equipped with high energy efficiency heat pumps (Ehpa, 2014), the promotion of the production of thermal energy from renewable sources and energy efficiency measures.

With regard to the general trend of products and components for air conditioning systems, the 2015 has been the year in which a recovery of the sector occurred after a period of economic crisis. Referring to the last Assoclimate survey, in 2019 the positive sign in the air conditioning sector continued compared to 2018, mainly due to air-cooled refrigeration units, split and multisplit air conditioners and VRF systems with the exception for the room air conditioners (Assoclimate, 2020). The VRF systems shows a constant growth trend, due to the more frequent replacement of machines in the commercial sector compared to the residential one and to a greater attention to energy savings and to energy classification of buildings that, if equipped with and high-performance air conditioning systems, acquire market value. Roof top sales also increased compared to 2018, in particular thanks to the replacement of conditioning systems in large shopping centres and logistic; the 40%

of rooftop sales relate to large capacity machines, over 120 kW, typical of medium and large shopping centres or logistics areas. For several years there have been good performances of heat pump systems and currently the Italian residential air conditioning system market is dominated by this category. The non-residential market is also moving towards heat pumps: 94% of the roof top units sold in 2019 use heat pumps and this technology is present in chillers especially in low capacity machine (until 50 kW), but heat pump systems are also growing in the higher capacity classes (Assoclima, 2020).

Among the measures adopted in the last years for promoting energy efficiency at national level, with a positive effect on the heat pumps market, there are the Conto Termico (Thermal energy account in the form of an economic contribution) and the Ecobonus, that is fiscal deductions for energy saving. Lastly, heat pumps have been indicated as a key technology within the PNIEC (Integrated National Plan for Energy and Climate published in January 2020) for achieving the Country's decarbonization target.

The air conditioning sector has been involved for years in the design of air conditioning systems with ever better energy performance in order to achieve the minimum environmental and energy performance requirements required by the Ecodesign regulation. Regarding the portable air conditioners with remote condenser, the production stopped in 2013, because they don't respect the minimum efficiency limits required by the ErPD regulations (Assoclima [b], several years). In the following Table 4.34, data on manufactured and sold equipment in the Stationary air conditioning sector are reported. The use of HFC in the air conditioning sector started in 1996.

**Table 4.34 Number of manufactured and sold equipment in the Stationary air conditioning sector, 1996-2019**

<b>STATIONARY AIR CONDITIONING</b>	<b>1996</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>
<b>Production (units)</b>									
Room air conditioner	309,318	244,769	165,152	34,938	10,566	12,797	12,234	26,015	18,998
Monosplit	229,900	575,242	65,286	25,141	144	113	102	102	102
Multisplit	22,718	46,680	18,576	4,350	0	0	0	0	0
VRF (only external condensing units)	0	0	0	101	0	0	0	0	0
Packaged, roof top (ductable or not)	7,090	2,384	3,376	1,990	1,959	1,937	1,997	1,817	2,007
Precision air conditioning	9,927	24,635	13,619	2,237	5,387	6,544	5,612	5,187	4,784
Air cooled chiller	28,852	46,286	55,856	66,829	36,243	36,117	37,817	38,125	35,260
Water cooled chiller	2,741	4,902	5,727	5,530	5,684	5,215	4,923	4,186	4,327
<b>Sales (units)</b>									
Room air conditioner	112,212	101,860	111,540	143,632	72,552	86,098	92,984	128,564	113,560
Monosplit	358,756	875,558	1,082,572	910,491	741,229	1,180,283	1,083,282	1,184,119	1,205,609
Multisplit	22,879	129,860	326,525	281,118	222,176	354,400	308,995	342,079	376,556
VRF (only external condensing units)	0	0	8,292	18,116	15,131	18,426	19,812	23,303	25,343
Packaged, roof top (ductable or not)	2,429	3,907	4,141	1,934	1,282	1,712	1,753	1,466	1,692
Precision air conditioning	4,233	11,458	3,515	791	1,247	1,121	1,083	765	525
Air cooled chiller	21,707	31,530	34,258	27,127	33,105	37,185	44,653	51,106	56,579
Water cooled chiller	1,631	2,993	2,730	2,580	1,921	1,679	1,608	1,440	1,511

#### HFC refrigerants used in the Stationary air conditioning sector

Air conditioning appliances started to use HFC, as substitutes of HCFC, in the second half of the 1990s (Assoclima [b], several years), and the replacement process was completed by 2005, with the elimination of HCFCs in new equipment.

In the last years, with the introduction of new refrigerants (natural refrigerants, HFO or HFC with a lower GWP) in substitution of the HFC, due to the F-gas Regulation and market dynamics, the percentage of sales and production of HFC equipment. has changed. For portable air conditioners, the replacement of HFCs with HCs started earlier than the other machines thanks to the low charge involved that allow the use of flammable refrigerants. According to expert judgment, propane has started to be used after 2005, and in 2010 the 50% of the portable room air conditioner are with HC-290; this percentage grows to 90% in 2017 (Assoclima [b], several years).

In the following Table 4.35 the percentage share of HFC equipment on the total of sales and production per year (1996-2019) is reported.

**Table 4.35 Percentage share of HFC equipment manufactured and sold over the years in the Stationary air conditioning sector**

Type of equipment	1996	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
All equipment except monobloc portable room air conditioner <= 3kW and portable room air conditioner with remote condenser <= 4 kW	0.01	0.05	0.95	1	1	1	1	1	1
Monobloc portable room air conditioner <= 3kW	0.1	0.5	1	0.5	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1
Portable room air conditioner with remote condenser <= 4 kW	0.1	0.5	1	0.5	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1

R-410A, HFC-134a, and R-407C have long been the main refrigerants used in the air conditioning sector. Among these ones, R-410A is currently the dominant HFC followed by HFC-134a. R-410A has always been used mainly for small air conditioning systems, while HFC-134a is a good replacement for larger equipment; for intermediate power machines both R-410A and HFC-134a can be used. R-407C was used for different years in the past as a substitute for R-22, instead of R-410A because this refrigerant allows to use the same components of a R-22 system but, due to thermodynamic problems, it has been progressively substituted by R-410A. For this reason, the use of R-407C started to decrease since 2010. Among the new refrigerants with lower GWP, the R-32 is receiving the most interest. Because of its flammable nature (A2L class), at present it is mainly used for split equipment in the residential sector. In fact, as the sectoral experts communicated (Assoclima [b], several years), in the last 4 years, R-32 mono e multi splits have entered the Italian market, with a growing percentage and this percentage will increase in the next years also by including other types of machines.

In the following Tables 4.36, 4.37, 4.38, 4.39 the percentage of HFC conditioning equipment, by type of refrigerant is reported. The percentage values have been supplied by Assoclima and show a deep changing in the mix of refrigerants used over the years: initially the portable air conditioners used mainly R-134a due to the lower operating pressures but then they mainly passed to R-410A. Regarding the R-407C, chillers with rotary compressors also initially used this gas, while those with screw compressors (and centrifugal) switched directly to R-134A. Some indoor "packages" (air-to-air ducted and also water-air ducted) still use R-407C because it is not convenient to redesign the appliances. High capacity water chillers (from 351 kW) mainly use HFC-134a; they are losing market share. Regarding R-32, mono e multisplit have started using this refrigerant, as a replacement for the R-410A, in 2016 with a growing percentage. Compare to the Submissions 2020 on the base of the communication of Assoclima in June 2020 this percentage has been changed as the market penetration of R-32 was faster than initially established. The percentage reached 80% in 2019 (Assoclima [b], several years), 60% in 2018 instead of 40%, of last Submission, 40% in 2017 instead of 20% and 20% in 2016 instead of 10%. Consequently, the percentage of mono and multisplit that use R-410A, of which R-32 is the replacement, has been changed starting from 2016 compared to the previous Submission. (Assoclima [b], several years).

Regarding the possibility of using flammable refrigerants, it is noted the decree of the Ministry of the Interior of 10 March 2020 on "*Fire prevention provisions for air conditioning systems included in activities subject to fire prevention controls*"<sup>5</sup> entered in force on 18 June 2020 (DM 73/2020). This decree allows the possibility of using, in air conditioning systems, machines equipped with refrigerants classified as A1 or A2L, according to ISO 817 «Refrigerants - Designations and safety classification» or equivalent standard, thus overcoming the limitation of using only non-toxic or non-flammable fluids; it also reiterates that the design, installation, management and maintenance of the plants must be done in compliance with the safety requirements set by the rule of the art (for example: series of technical standards UNI EN 378), that is respecting the applicable rules and standards.

For the estimation, the percentage composition by type of refrigerant of the sales data is equal to the percentage distribution of the production data.

**Table 4.36 Percentage of R-410A equipment by type of air conditioners, 1996-2019**

<sup>5</sup>Air conditioning systems for activities open to the public, such as schools, hotels, sport centres ecc.

Type of equipment	Capacity (kW)	1996	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
<b>ROOM AIR CONDITIONER</b>										
Monoblock air conditioner without outdoor unit (ductable duct)		0.84	0.20	0.40	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Monoblock portable air conditioner up to 3 kW (single duct)	<= 3	0.00	0.00	0.20	0.80	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Portable air conditioner with remote condenser up to 4 kW (split type)	<= 4	0.00	0.00	0.20	1.00	-	-	-	-	-
<b>MONOSPLIT</b>										
Outdoor condensing units connected to an indoor unit (wall floor installation, cassette, ducted false ceiling)	<= 7	0.82	0.10	0.60	1.00	1.00	0.80	0.60	0.40	0.20
	> 7	0.82	0.10	0.60	0.99	1.00	0.80	0.60	0.40	0.20
<b>MULTISPLIT</b>										
Outdoor condensing units connected to indoor units (wall floor installation, cassette, ducted false ceiling)		0.00	0.10	0.60	1.00	1.00	0.80	0.60	0.40	0.20
<b>VRF (only external condensing units)</b>										
Mini VRF	<=16	-	-	0.80	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
VRF	>16	-	-	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
<b>PACKAGED, ROOF TOP (ductable or not)</b>										
Vertical or horizontal indoor packaged	-	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50
Roof top	-	-	-	0.20	0.80	0.90	0.90	0.90	0.90	0.90
<b>PRECISION AIR CONDITIONING</b>										
Precision air conditioning	<= 17	0.50	0.50	0.80	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Precision air conditioning	>17	0.50	0.50	0.80	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
<b>AIR COOLED CHILLER</b>										
Only cooling	<= 17	0.90	0.50	0.80	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Heat pump		0.90	0.50	0.80	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Only cooling	18 -50	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Heat pump		0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Only cooling	51 -100	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Heat pump		0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Only cooling	101 -200	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Heat pump		0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Only cooling	201 - 350	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.86	0.86	0.86	0.86	0.86	0.86
Heat pump		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.90	0.90	0.90	0.90	0.90	0.90
Only cooling	351 - 500	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.80	0.80	0.80	0.80	0.80	0.80
Heat pump		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.95	0.70	0.70	0.70	0.70	0.70
Only cooling	501 - 700	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.10	0.30	0.30	0.30	0.30	0.30
Heat pump		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10
Only cooling	701 - 900	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Heat pump		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Only cooling	>= 901	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Heat pump		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>WATER COOLED CHILLER</b>										
Only cooling	<= 17	0.00	0.00	0.50	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Heat pump		0.00	0.00	0.50	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Only cooling	18 - 50	0.00	0.00	0.50	0.50	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Heat pump		0.00	0.00	0.50	0.50	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Only cooling	51 - 100	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.50	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Heat pump		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.50	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Only cooling	101 - 200	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.50	0.90	0.90	0.90	0.90	0.90

Type of equipment	Capacity (kW)	1996	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Heat pump		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.50	0.90	0.90	0.90	0.90	0.90
Only cooling	201 - 350	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Heat pump		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Only cooling	351 - 500	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Heat pump		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Only cooling	501 - 700	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Heat pump		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Only cooling	701 - 900	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Heat pump		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Only cooling	≥ 901	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Heat pump		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

**Table 4.37 Percentage of HFC-134a equipment by type of air conditioners, 1996-2019**

Type of equipment	Capacity (kW)	1996	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
<b>ROOM AIR CONDITIONER</b>										
Monoblock air conditioner without outdoor unit (ductable duct)		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Monoblock portable air conditioner up to 3 kW (single duct)	≤ 3	0.98	0.90	0.60	0.20	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Portable air conditioner with remote condenser up to 4 kW (split type)	≤ 4	0.98	0.90	0.60	0.00	-	-	-	-	-
<b>MONOSPLIT</b>										
Outdoor condensing units connected to an indoor unit (wall floor installation, cassette, ducted false ceiling)	≤ 7	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	> 7	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>MULTISPLIT</b>										
Outdoor condensing units connected to indoor units (wall floor installation, cassette, ducted false ceiling)		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>VRF (only external condensing units)</b>										
Mini VRF	≤ 16	-	-	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
VRF	> 16	-	-	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>PACKAGED, ROOF TOP (ductable or not)</b>										
Vertical or horizontal indoor packaged	-	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Roof top	-	-	-	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>PRECISION AIR CONDITIONING</b>										
Precision air conditioning	≤ 17	0	0.50	0.50	0.20	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Precision air conditioning	> 17	0	0.50	0.50	0.20	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>AIR COOLED CHILLER</b>										
Only cooling	≤ 17	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Heat pump		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Only cooling	18 - 50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Heat pump		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Only cooling	51 - 100	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Heat pump		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Only cooling	101 - 200	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Heat pump		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Only cooling	201 - 350	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.14	0.14	0.14	0.14	0.14	0.14
Heat pump		0.50	0.50	0.50	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10
Only cooling	351 - 500	0.60	0.60	0.60	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.20

Type of equipment	Capacity (kW)	1996	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Heat pump		0.60	0.60	0.60	0.05	0.30	0.30	0.30	0.30	0.30
Only cooling	501 - 700	0.70	0.70	0.70	0.90	0.70	0.70	0.70	0.70	0.70
Heat pump		0.70	0.70	0.70	0.90	0.90	0.90	0.90	0.90	0.90
Only cooling	701 - 900	0.95	0.95	0.95	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Heat pump		0.95	0.95	0.95	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Only cooling	>= 901	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Heat pump		1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
<b>WATER COOLED CHILLER</b>										
Only cooling	<= 17	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Heat pump		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Only cooling	18 - 50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Heat pump		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Only cooling	51 - 100	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Heat pump		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Only cooling	101 - 200	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10
Heat pump		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10
Only cooling	201 - 350	0.40	0.40	0.40	0.90	0.95	0.95	0.95	0.95	0.95
Heat pump		0.40	0.40	0.40	0.90	0.95	0.95	0.95	0.95	0.95
Only cooling	351 - 500	0.80	0.80	0.80	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Heat pump		0.80	0.80	0.80	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Only cooling	501 - 700	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Heat pump		1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Only cooling	701 - 900	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Heat pump		1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Only cooling	>= 901	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Heat pump		1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00

**Table 4.38 Percentage of R-407C equipment by type of air conditioners, 1996-2019**

Type of equipment	Capacity (kW)	1996	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
<b>ROOM AIR CONDITIONER</b>										
Monoblock air conditioner without outdoor unit (ductable duct)		0.16	0.80	0.60	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Monoblock portable air conditioner up to 3 kW (single duct)	<= 3	0.02	0.10	0.20	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Portable air conditioner with remote condenser up to 4 kW (split type)	<= 4	0.02	0.10	0.20	0.00	-	-	-	-	-
<b>MONOSPLIT</b>										
Outdoor condensing units connected to an indoor unit (wall floor installation, cassette, ducted false ceiling)	<= 7	0.18	0.90	0.40	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	> 7	0.18	0.90	0.40	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>MULTISPLIT</b>										
Outdoor condensing units connected to indoor units (wall floor installation, cassette, ducted false ceiling)		0.00	0.90	0.40	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>VRF (only external condensing units)</b>										
Mini VRF	<=16	-	-	0.20	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
VRF	>16	-	-	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>PACKAGED, ROOF TOP (ductable or not)</b>										
Vertical or horizontal indoor packaged	-	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50
Roof top	-	-	-	0.80	0.20	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10

Type of equipment	Capacity (kW)	1996	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
<b>PRECISION AIR CONDITIONING</b>										
Precision air conditioning	<= 17	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Precision air conditioning	>17	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>AIR COOLED CHILLER</b>										
Only cooling	<= 17	0.10	0.50	0.20	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Heat pump		0.10	0.50	0.20	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Only cooling	18 -50	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Heat pump		1.00	1.00	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Only cooling	51 -100	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Heat pump		1.00	1.00	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Only cooling	101 -200	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Heat pump		1.00	1.00	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Only cooling	201 - 350	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Heat pump		0.50	0.50	0.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Only cooling	351 - 500	0.40	0.40	0.40	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Heat pump		0.40	0.40	0.40	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Only cooling	501 - 700	0.30	0.30	0.30	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Heat pump		0.30	0.30	0.30	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Only cooling	701 - 900	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Heat pump		0.05	0.05	0.05	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Only cooling	>= 901	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Heat pump		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>WATER COOLED CHILLER</b>										
Only cooling	<= 17	1.00	1.00	0.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Heat pump		1.00	1.00	0.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Only cooling	18 - 50	1.00	1.00	0.50	0.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Heat pump		1.00	1.00	0.50	0.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Only cooling	51 - 100	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Heat pump		1.00	1.00	1.00	0.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Only cooling	101 - 200	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Heat pump		1.00	1.00	1.00	0.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Only cooling	201 - 350	0.60	0.60	0.60	0.10	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05
Heat pump		0.60	0.60	0.60	0.10	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05
Only cooling	351 - 500	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Heat pump		0.20	0.20	0.20	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Only cooling	501 - 700	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Heat pump		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Only cooling	701 - 900	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Heat pump		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Only cooling	>= 901	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Heat pump		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

**Table 4.39 Percentage of R-32 equipment by type of air conditioners, 1996-2019**

Type of equipment	Capacity (kW)	1996	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
<b>ROOM AIR CONDITIONER</b>										
Monoblock air conditioner without outdoor unit (ductable duct)		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Monoblock portable air conditioner up to 3 kW (single duct)	<= 3	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Portable air conditioner with remote condenser up to 4 kW (split type)	<= 4	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Type of equipment	Capacity (kW)	1996	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
<b>MONOSPLIT</b>										
Outdoor condensing units connected to an indoor unit (wall floor installation, cassette, ducted false ceiling)	<= 7	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.10	0.20	0.40	0.60
	> 7	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.10	0.20	0.40	0.60
<b>MULTISPLIT</b>										
Outdoor condensing units connected to indoor units (wall floor installation, cassette, ducted false ceiling)		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.20	0.40	0.60	0.80
<b>VRF (only external condensing units)</b>										
Mini VRF	<=16	-	-	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
VRF	>16	-	-	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>PACKAGED, ROOF TOP (ductable or not)</b>										
Vertical or horizontal indoor packaged		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Roof top		-	-	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>PRECISION AIR CONDITIONING</b>										
Precision air conditioning	<= 17	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Precision air conditioning	>17	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>AIR COOLED CHILLER</b>										
Only cooling	<= 17	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Heat pump		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Only cooling	18 -50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Heat pump		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Only cooling	51 -100	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Heat pump		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Only cooling	101 -200	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Heat pump		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Only cooling	201 - 350	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Heat pump		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Only cooling	351 - 500	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Heat pump		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Only cooling	501 - 700	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Heat pump		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Only cooling	701 - 900	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Heat pump		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Only cooling	>= 901	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Heat pump		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>WATER COOLED CHILLER</b>										
Only cooling	<= 17	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Heat pump		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Only cooling	18 - 50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Heat pump		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Only cooling	51 - 100	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Heat pump		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Only cooling	101 - 200	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Heat pump		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Only cooling	201 - 350	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Heat pump		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Only cooling	351 - 500	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Heat pump		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Only cooling	501 - 700	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Heat pump		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Only cooling	701 - 900	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Type of equipment	Capacity (kW)	1996	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Heat pump		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Only cooling	>= 901	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Heat pump		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

On the basis of the number of equipment manufactured and sold in the Italian market, of the average refrigerant charge and of the percentage of equipment by type of HFC, the quantities of HFC contained in the equipment manufactured and sold have been calculated (table 4.40).

**Table 4.40 Quantities of HFCs contained in the air conditioning equipment manufactured and sold in the Italian market, 1996-2019 (t)**

AIR CONDITIONING	1996	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
<b>HFC in manufactured equipment (t)</b>									
HFC-134a	19.54	78.58	336.67	327.56	249.83	239.79	224.66	219.93	222.99
R-410A	3.39	8.60	238.39	623.13	544.59	536.87	541.13	532.42	527.76
R-407C	3.21	64.63	523.70	15.93	4.63	4.53	4.65	4.26	5.86
R-32	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.09	0.16	0.24	0.32
<b>HFC in sold equipment (t)</b>									
HFC-134a	7.33	33.55	169.76	95.41	78.78	74.02	66.22	74.12	45.30
R-410A	4.26	8.54	1,189.29	1,954.84	1,631.37	1,994.75	1,518.99	1,279.56	683.25
R-407C	2.34	71.63	981.82	11.25	2.74	3.62	3.68	3.11	3.56
R-32	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	392.03	711.09	1,177.96	1,339.64

#### Emission factors for the Stationary air conditioning sector

Appropriate losses rates have been applied for each gas used in the stationary air conditioning sector, taking into account the equipment where refrigerants are generally used, as suggested by a pool of experts during a specific meeting held at the Ministry of the Environment, Land and Sea (ISPRA-MATTM, 2013), in order to assess F-gas emissions from refrigeration and air conditioning. These experts represent the following national association of air conditioning sector:

- ASSOCLIMA-ANIMA (Air Conditioning) - Association of Manufacturers of aerodynamic equipment and systems under the Federation of National Associations of Mechanical and Engineering similar (ANIMA), which is the sectoral industrial association within Confindustria (Confederation of Italian Industry) representing companies in this sector.
- AICARR – Italian Association of Air Conditioning, Heating and Refrigeration.

For the years 1990-1999 leakage rates were supplied by the industrial associations of manufacturers as the best available country specific information for the years concerned. Industrial associations have revised the leakage rates for the years from 2000 to take into consideration the changes in technology which have been occurring in the manufacturing of the equipment concerned. The year 2000 has been taken as a turning point in terms of changes of technologies and good practice in the refrigerants handling, because of the transition from the use of CFCs and HCFCs towards the use of HFCs. The Regulation (EC) n. 2037/2000 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 29 June 2000 on substances that deplete the ozone layer (EC, 2000) entered into force in 2000, introducing the phase out of CFC and the phase down of HCFC and restriction in handling these substances. As a consequence of the legislation, the relevant operational procedures in manufacturing, during installation and in exercise, e.g. for split charging or appliances maintenance, changed resulting in a turning point of leakage rates. The manufacturing and operating emission factors of the stationary air conditioning sector have not changed compared to last year's estimates.

For the operating emission factors two different period have been considered: from 1996 to 2006 and from 2007. The emission factors for the period 1996-2006 has been assumed to be higher than those of the following period, because with the entry into force of Regulation 842/2006 on certain fluorinated greenhouse gases, improvements on the prevention of leaks from equipment containing F-gases were introduced.

Measures include in example containment of gases and proper recovery of equipment, training and certification of personnel and of companies handling these gases and labeling of equipment containing F-gases. Consequently, starting from that year, more attention has been paid by the technicians to install, service and

maintain, repair or decommission AC systems and the year 2007 has been taken as another turning point in terms of changes of good practice in the refrigerants handling aimed at containing and preventing losses of HFCs from equipment. According to the sectoral experts, the emission factors of the period 1996-2006 are 50% higher than those from 2007 (Assoclina [b], several years).

Similarly, also the emission factors since 2007 have been estimated by expert judgment and the values of losses presented are an average of the risk relating to the entire fleet, by including machines that work correctly and those that may have problems.

For split system the leakages are directly proportional to the number of connections according to the following equations:

$$Leakrate_{split/multisplit} = 3\% \times \left( \frac{nr\_of\_connections}{4} \right)$$

For monosplit, the number of connections is equal to 4; for multisplit it has been considered a weighted average of the connections equals to 10, that means a loss rate of 7.5%. Chillers and rooftop (being packaged systems) are factory sealed products, therefore leak rate is estimated equals to 1%, while VRF system, being similar to multisplit, have leak rate depending on the number of connections. The emission factor value for this equipment is 12%. More information on the assumptions is reported also in the document “Comments on Appendix A&B of the “Preparatory study for the Review of Regulation 842/2006 /Working group I” (WG1, 2013).

The appropriate manufacturing and operating emission factors for stationary air conditioning sector are reported in the following Table 4.41, distinguished in two different periods of the time series.

As some procedures used in manufacturing or during the installation of the RAC systems has changed in 2000, also F-gases market price has influenced losses control. In fact, since the F-gases are also expensive material in the manufacturing process it was a matter of concern of the manufacturers to succeed in limiting losses in that stage and that was achieved by setting higher levels in the acceptance testing procedures.

**Table 4.41 Manufacturing and operating emission factors of Stationary air conditioning equipment**

MANUFACTURING AND OPERATING LEAKAGE RATE IN THE STATIONARY AIR CONDITIONING SECTOR				
Type of equipment	Manufacturing (%)		Operating (%)	
	1996-1999	From 2000	1996-2006	From 2007
ROOM AIR CONDITIONER				
(Monoblock without outdoor unit (ductable duct)				
Portable air conditioner up to 3 kW (single duct)	3.0%	0.5%	1.5%	1.0%
Portable air conditioner with remote condenser up to 4 kW (split type)				
MONOSPLIT				
Outdoor condensing units connected to an indoor unit (wall floor installation, cassette, ducted false ceiling)	3.0%	0.5%	4.5%	3.0%
MULTISPLIT				
Outdoor condensing units connected to indoor units (wall floor installation, cassette, ducted false ceiling)	3.0%	0.5%	11.3%	7.5%
VRF				
(only external condensing units)	3.0%	0.5%	18%	12.0%
PACKAGED, ROOF TOP				
(ductable or not)	3.0%	0.5%	1.5%	1.0%
PRECISION AIR CONDITIONING				
CHILLER	3.0%	0.5%	1.5%	1.0%
(Air/water cooled chiller, only cooling or heat pump)				

Since the National Inventory Submissions 2020, the emissions related to the refrigerant container management are also estimated. Without country specific data and information, we have assumed a containers emission factor equals to 5% that is a value included in the LG IPPC 2006 range (2-10%).

**Table 4.42 Management containers emission factors of Stationary air conditioning sector**

REFRIGERANT CONTAINER MANAGEMENT LEAKAGE RATE IN THE STATIONARY AIR CONDITIONING SECTOR	
Emission Factors	Emission Factors References
5.0%	2006 IPPC Guideline

In the following box, the sources of activity data and emissions factors are summarized.

CRF Category	Category	Substance	Activity Data References	Emission Factors References
2.F.1.f	Stationary Air Conditioning	HFC-32 HFC-125 HFC-134a	ASSOCLIMA	Expert judgement 2006 IPCC Guidelines

The average lifetime for each type of air conditioning systems is from expert judgement and from IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006; Assoclisma [b], several years; ISPRA-MATTM, 2013; WG1, 2013).

Regarding the average lifetimes, a distinction must be made between air-conditioning units used for human comfort and those used with other purposes (in example to ensure an appropriate temperature level for flower foodstuffs shops or process plants). The formers are more susceptible to fashions and are often replaced before the end of their natural life cycle, also because these units are usually not subjected to constant maintenance that is often required by industrial machines. The machines aiming at human comfort are mainly with heat pump configuration while for the other uses only cooling machines are used.

For this reason, only cooling chillers have a lifetime higher than heat pump chillers.

Regarding the HFC recovery at the end of life of equipment, the national experts we contacted communicated that almost all the gases of larger size machines are currently recovered, while in the smaller equipment the recovery quotas can be lower. For this reason, a 90% of recovery for chiller and 50% for all the other types has been adopted, in a conservative approach; experts confirmed these assumption.

Future improvements could come from the National Register of fluorinated greenhouse gases and equipment containing fluorinated gases (DPR 146/2018). From a first check of data of the Register, it emerge that, for the 2020, the only 'complete' year, on the total of F-gases sold the 90% is virgin gas, near the 10% is regenerated and the 0.03% is recycled.

Finally, the percentage of recovered gas at decommissioning have been applied, based on default values from 2006 IPCC Guidelines and expert judgment. Data are reported in the following table 4.43.

**Table 4.43 Average lifetimes and recovery at decommissioning for the Stationary air conditioning equipment**

Type of equipment	Average Lifetimes (years)	Recovery at decommissioning (%)
<b>ROOM AIR CONDITIONER</b> (Monoblock without outdoor unit (ductable duct); portable air conditioner up to 3 kW (single duct); Portable air conditioner with remote condenser up to 4 kW (split type)	12	50
<b>MONOSPLIT</b> Outdoor condensing units connected to an indoor unit (wall floor installation, cassette, ducted false ceiling)	15	50
<b>MULTISPLIT</b> Outdoor condensing units connected to indoor units (wall floor installation, cassette, ducted false ceiling)	15	50
<b>VRF</b> (only external condensing units)	15	50
<b>PACKAGED, ROOF TOP</b> (ductable or not)	18	50
<b>PRECISION AIR CONDITIONING</b>	22	50
<b>ONLY COOLING CHILLER</b> (Air/water cooled chiller.)	25	90
<b>HEAT PUMP CHILLER</b> (Air/water cooled chiller)	20	90

Since the National Inventory Submissions 2020, some changes have been made regarding the calculation of the remaining initial charge and the topping up of gases.

The quantity of gas remaining in the equipment at the end of its life depends on the value of the operating emission factor and on the gas topping up. The air conditioning equipment will lose more or less depend on the year in which it has been placed on the market, because of the change of the emission factor for the period after 2007 with respect to the previous period.

Without a gas topping up, the charge of gas will gradually decrease over time to reach the minimum value at the end of equipment's life. This value can be very low if the operating emission factor is high. For multisplit

and VRF equipment this situation occurs after a few years the entering the market because of the major emission factors and a lifetime equals to 15 years. By considering the major attention to prevent the leakages of refrigerant through checks on the equipment, as an effect of the F-gas Regulation, and by considering the sectoral expert judgment since the last submission the topping up of gases has been considered. A periodic gas refilling frequency based on the type of equipment has been adopted. Therefore, the total amount of refrigerant placed on the market every year is equal to the amount contained in the new equipment sold in that year plus the amount used for the maintenance in the same year.

In the following Table 4.44, the amounts of HFC placed on the market, by type of refrigerant are reported.

**Table 4.44 Amounts of HFC placed on the market of Stationary air conditioning sector (amount in the sold equipment plus amount used for topping up), 1996-2019 (t)**

AIR CONDITIONING	1996	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
<b>HFC placed on the market (t)</b>									
HFC-134a	7.33	33.55	169.76	99.94	97.46	89.66	81.45	87.08	55.11
R-410A	4.26	8.79	1,205.51	2,347.94	2,215.36	2,834.66	2,320.01	2,094.64	1,652.68
R-407C	2.34	71.77	1,012.53	294.70	211.37	261.19	175.06	130.53	111.13
R-32	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	392.03	711.09	1,177.96	1,365.04

HFC emissions estimation from Stationary air conditioning sector

On the basis of the amounts of refrigerant placed on the market, the HFC average annual stock for each year was calculated. This stock is given by the sum of the amount of refrigerant in the machines placed on the market in the considered year, plus the amount of the remainder refrigerant in the machines from the previous year and less the quantity of refrigerant in the machines that left the market in that year because at the end of their life. For each refrigerant the average annual stocks (t) are calculated by the following equation:

$$Q_t = Q_{(t-1)} * (1 - \text{product life leakage rate}) + Q_{\text{sold}_t} - Q_{(t-x)} * \text{end of life charge (\%)}$$

Where:

$Q_t$  = amount of refrigerant in operating systems year t

$Q_{(t-1)}$  = amount of refrigerant in operating systems year t-1

$Q_{\text{sold}_t}$  = amount of refrigerant sold year t

$Q_{(t-x)}$  = amount of refrigerant in operating systems X years before

$Q_{(t-x)} * \text{end of life charge (\%)}$  is the amount of refrigerant in the machines that left the market at the end of its life.

In the Table 4.46 the HFC average annual stocks are reported.

**Table 4.46 HFC average annual stock for the Stationary air conditioning sector, 1996-2019 (t)**

AIR CONDITIONING	1996	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
<b>HFC average annual stock (t)</b>									
HFC-134a	7.33	98.16	724.29	1,265.87	1,454.18	1,475.83	1,514.91	1,556.83	1,572.54
R-410A	4.26	35.45	3,018.58	11,212.28	18,788.81	20,752.86	22,015.00	22,722.39	22,027.89
R-407C	2.34	127.60	3,830.57	5,791.30	5,775.09	5,624.47	5,255.46	4,595.65	3,613.45
R-32	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	392.03	1,086.28	2,218.09	3,489.33

Since the 2020 Submission, we also estimate the amount of refrigerants stocked in the containers. In the absence of specific information, we assumed this quantity as the sum of the HFC used to fill new equipment and the HFC use for servicing. The amount of HFC stocked in the containers are reported in the table 4.47.

**Table 4.47 HFC stocked in the containers for the air conditioning sector, 1996-2019 (t)**

AIR CONDITIONING	1996	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
<b>HFC in the containers (t)</b>									

HFC-134a	19.54	78.58	336.67	332.09	268.50	255.42	239.90	232.89	232.80
R-410A	3.39	8.85	254.61	1,017.30	1,128.59	1,376.78	1,342.15	1,347.49	1,497.19
R-407C	3.21	64.77	554.41	299.37	213.26	262.10	176.04	131.68	104.18
R-32	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.09	0.16	0.24	25.72

The HFC emissions from the Stationary air conditioning sector have been estimated according to IPCC's Tier 2a methodology. The F-gas total emission is the sum of charge emission, lifetime emissions, disposal emissions and containers emissions, calculated separately, according to the following IPCC 2006 equation:

**EQUATION 7.10**  
**SUMMARY OF SOURCES OF EMISSIONS**

$$E_{total,t} = E_{containers,t} + E_{Charge,t} + E_{lifetime,t} + E_{end-of-life,t}$$

The containers emissions have been calculated by using the IPCC's formula:

$$E_{containers,t} = RM_t \cdot \frac{c}{100}$$

where  $RM_t$  is the sum of HFC used to fill new equipment and HFC used for servicing in year  $t$ , and  $c$  is the emission factor from containers management. Without specific information regarding refrigerant management of containers an emission factor equals to 5% was adopted.

As all the air conditioning units are factory charged with refrigerants, all the emissions due to the charging process of new equipment occur in the factory and thus, the charge emissions correspond to the manufacturing emissions. In this Report we use manufacturing emissions to indicate charge emissions.

The disposal emissions (end of life emissions) have been calculated as the difference between the remaining HFC in products at decommissioning and the quantity of HFC recovered. On the basis of product life leakage rate and the average lifetimes, the charge remaining at decommissioning is calculated as  $(1 - \text{product life leakage rate}) \cdot \text{average lifetimes}$ .

While in this report the HFC emissions from containers management are reported separately from the other quantities estimated according to the IPCC tier2a equation, in the "CRF reporting table" emission from containers are included in the voice "Emissions from stocks", together with the operating emissions.

In the following tables (tables 4.48, 4.49, 4.50, 4.51) the manufacturing, lifetime, containers and disposal emissions are reported.

**Table 4.48 HFC manufacturing emissions of the Stationary air conditioning sector, 1996-2019 (t)**

STATIONARY AIR CONDITIONING	1996	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
<b>Mnaufacturing emissions (t)</b>									
HFC 134a	0.64	0.56	3.04	1.68	1.26	1.21	1.14	1.11	1.13
HFC-125	0.07	0.10	1.25	1.58	1.37	1.35	1.36	1.34	1.33
HFC-32	0.07	0.10	1.20	1.58	1.37	1.35	1.36	1.34	1.33

**Table 4.49 HFC lifetime emissions of the Stationary air conditioning sector, 1996-2019 (t)**

STATIONARY AIR CONDITIONING	1996	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
<b>Lifetime emissions (t)</b>									
HFC 134a	0.14	4.41	108.04	112.31	113.03	110.50	103.73	91.21	71.53
HFC-125	0.12	2.27	138.43	285.23	449.96	492.30	510.40	526.62	514.50
HFC-32	0.11	2.15	134.69	281.40	446.17	505.46	553.13	617.50	664.97

**Table 4.50 HFC disposal emissions of the Stationary air conditioning sector, 1996-2019 (t)**

STATIONARY AIR CONDITIONING	1996	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
<b>Disposal emissions (t)</b>									
HFC 134a	NO	NO	NO	8.05	49.77	84.50	107.27	175.94	257.60
HFC-125	NO	NO	NO	0.16	12.83	44.07	86.22	187.24	364.26
HFC-32	NO	NO	NO	0.15	12.15	41.85	82.62	181.04	354.80

**Table 4.51 HFC containers emissions of the Stationary air conditioning sector, 1996-2019 (t)**

STATIONARY AIR CONDITIONING	1996	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
<b>Containers emissions (t)</b>									
HFC-134a	1.06	5.61	31.25	24.39	18.97	19.59	16.57	15.07	14.35
HFC-125	0.12	1.03	13.30	29.17	30.88	37.70	35.75	35.33	38.73
HFC-32	0.12	0.97	12.74	28.88	30.67	37.44	35.59	35.21	39.91

The HFC total emissions from the Stationary air conditioning sector are reported on the Table 4.52.

**Table 4.52 HFC total emissions of the Stationary air conditioning sector, 1996-2019 (t)**

STATIONARY AIR CONDITIONING	1996	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
<b>Total emissions (t)</b>									
HFC 134a	1.84	10.59	142.34	146.43	183.03	215.79	228.71	283.33	344.62
HFC-125	0.32	3.40	152.98	316.14	495.03	575.41	633.73	750.52	918.82
HFC-32	0.31	3.22	148.63	312.00	490.36	586.09	672.70	835.10	1,061.01
<b>Total HFC emissions</b>	<b>2.47</b>	<b>17.20</b>	<b>443.95</b>	<b>774.58</b>	<b>1,168.42</b>	<b>1,377.30</b>	<b>1,535.14</b>	<b>1,868.95</b>	<b>2,324.44</b>

Total HFC emissions from the stationary air conditioning equipment increased from 1996 driven by the increase of their consumptions. HFC total consumptions continued to increase until 2019 because the HFC substitution process with the alternatives with a lower or null GWP, some of which flammable, started in delay in respect the other sectors. In fact the Italian regulation has been highly restrictive for flammable refrigerants in public buildings. A number of Ministerial Decrees affecting various public access buildings restricted the use of flammable refrigerants (A2L and A3) such as hydrocarbons, HFO, R-32 in air-conditioning equipment. Recently, the entry into force of the Ministerial Decree n.73/2020, in June 2020, by allowing the use of flammable refrigerants in air conditioning systems for activities open to the public, will probably provide a new impetus to the process of HFC replacing with other alternatives. Besides, the standards on flammability is another critical factor that affects the choice of refrigerants in the sector: in Italy there is no a classification that distinguishes highly flammable, mildly flammable and not flammable substances (as for European and international standards) but at the legislative level it is distinguished only between flammable and non-flammable substances and thus, all the mildly flammable refrigerants (such as R-32) are classified as high flammable, by limiting their use. Because of the methodology approach followed, emissions reduction will occur in the following years.

#### **4.7.4 Emissions from Refrigeration sector: commercial, domestic and industrial**

Regarding the estimations from the refrigeration sector, no changes occurred in the methodology compared to the previous submission.

Emissions from commercial and industrial refrigeration have been estimated on the basis of Solvay data consumptions. Transport Refrigeration and professional refrigeration such as blast chiller estimations are included in Commercial Refrigeration because no detailed information is available to split consumptions and emissions in the different sectors. Domestic refrigeration estimations are based on data of manufactured and sold fridges and freezers provided by APPLiA Italia.

### Refrigeration market: activity data and HFC used in the Refrigeration sector

Domestic refrigeration appliances started to use HFC-134a from 1994 (RAEE, 2017), as a consequence of the ban of CFC forced by the Law n. 549/1993, reporting the measures to protect the stratospheric ozone and the environment (Law 28<sup>th</sup> of December 1993). APPLiA Italia represents the manufacturers of the Domestic and Professional Appliance sector in Italy and supplied production data of fridges and freezers from 1987 to 2018 (APPLiA Italia, several years); at moment data for 2019 are not available. Data for the other years (1992, 1994, 1995, 1996, 1998, 2000) have been interpolated. Production data have been used to estimate emissions from manufacturing.

Emissions from stocks have been estimated starting from the number of appliances placed on the market each year. Data have been supplied by APPLiA Italia for the year 1993 and from 2001 to 2019 (APPLiA Italia, several years), even if for the year 1993 the appliances placed on the market still used CFCs. Data for the other years have been interpolated (1994-2000). Data are reported in Table 4.36.

APPLiA Italia supplied also data on HFCs coverage on the total of sales, the average charge of appliances and the lifetime (APPLiA Italia, several years), as reported in table 4.53.

**Table 4.53 Number of manufactured and sold equipment for domestic refrigeration, 1994-2019**

DOMESTIC REFRIGERATION	1994	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019 <sup>6</sup>
<b>Production (units*1000)</b>										
Fridges	5,461	5,746	7,169	5,496	2,400	1,804	1,476	1,467	1,459	-
Freezers	1,693	1,782	2,229	1,890	1,200	522	368	339	347	-
<b>Sales (units*1000)</b>										
Fridges	1,701	1,783	2,190	2,232	2,294	1,832	1,874	1,724	1,519	-
Freezers	420	455	630	593	647	425	310	340	339	-

**Table 4.54 Average lifetimes, average charge and percentage of appliances containing HFC in domestic refrigeration equipment, 1994-2019**

DOMESTIC REFRIGERATION	1994	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Average lifetime (years)	14	14	14	14	14	14	14	14	14	14
Average charge (g)	137.5	137.5	137.5	110	110	110	110	110	110	110
% of appliances containing HFC 134a	35	70	60	20	7	0	0	0	0	0

The quantities of HFC contained in the domestic refrigeration equipment manufactured and sold in the Italian market are reported in the following Table 4.55.

**Table 4.55 Quantities of HFC contained in the manufactured domestic refrigeration equipment and quantities of HFC in operating systems, 1994-2019 (t)**

DOMESTIC REFRIGERATION	1994	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
<b>HFC in manufactured equipment (t)</b>										
HFC-134a	344.26	724.53	775.33	162.51	27.72	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>HFC in operating systems (t)</b>										
HFC-134a	314.55	1,358.69	2,105.11	1973.25	797.57	620.80	455.83	355.74	258.91	201.04

For the commercial and industrial refrigeration sub-sectors, national HFC consumption data were communicated by Solvay, the only manufacturer of fluorinated substances in Italy until 2012 (Solvay, several years).

These data were subjected to a review process with the involvement of the refrigeration national association, import/export F-gas companies, and experts of the sector that validated them. At present, these data represent the only and the best available information of the refrigeration sector.

Refrigeration data provided included the following refrigerants: HFC-23, HFC-134a, R-404A and R-507a.

<sup>6</sup> At moment, data for 2019 are not available.

As reported in the last submission, HFC emissions from industrial refrigeration have been calculated by assuming the consumption of HFC-23 from the industrial and no from commercial refrigeration. In fact, HFC-23 is used for very low temperature, typical for the industrial sector, and not in commercial refrigeration. HFC-134a is mainly used in small commercial appliances while R-404A and R-507a are mainly used in medium /large commercial applications with low/medium temperature; in particular R-404A is the dominant refrigerant in supermarkets/other commercial applications.

In table 4.56, HFC consumption data for the Refrigeration sector are reported. As all the domestic equipment are factory charged and are hermetically sealed units (and no gas refilling is necessary during their lifetime), the quantities of refrigerants used to fill new manufactured products coincides with the annual HFC domestic refrigeration consumption.

**Table 4.56 HFC consumptions in commercial, industrial and domestic refrigeration sub-sectors, 1994-2019 (t)**

<b>REFRIGERATION CONSUMPTION (t)</b>	<b>1994</b>	<b>1995</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>
<b>Commercial Refrigeration</b>										
HFC-125	0.00	8.40	341.20	899.20	1042.42	1058.52	984.42	973.84	486.92	483.39
HFC-134a	0.00	0.40	2,620.32	2,955.05	3,312.30	3,369.36	3,133.50	2,524.02	1,878.93	1,681.25
HFC-143a	0.00	9.20	391.03	1,033.60	1,198.23	1,216.73	1,131.56	1,119.39	559.70	555.64
<i>Total HFC consumption</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>18.00</i>	<i>3,352.54</i>	<i>4,887.85</i>	<i>5,552.94</i>	<i>5,644.61</i>	<i>5,249.49</i>	<i>4,617.25</i>	<i>2,925.55</i>	<i>2,720.28</i>
<b>Industrial Refrigeration</b>										
HFC-23	0.00	15.00	26.44	50.00	40.00	40.00	37.20	31.20	25.20	22.80
<i>Total HFC consumption</i>	<i>0,00</i>	<i>15.00</i>	<i>26.44</i>	<i>50.00</i>	<i>40.00</i>	<i>40.00</i>	<i>37.20</i>	<i>31.20</i>	<i>25.20</i>	<i>22.80</i>
<b>Domestic Refrigeration</b>										
HFC-134a	344.26	724.53	775.33	162.51	27.72	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<i>Total HFC consumption</i>	<i>344.26</i>	<i>724.53</i>	<i>775.33</i>	<i>162.51</i>	<i>27.72</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>
<b>Total HFC consumption Refrigeration sector</b>	<b>344.26</b>	<b>757.53</b>	<b>4,154.31</b>	<b>5,100.36</b>	<b>5,620.66</b>	<b>5,684.61</b>	<b>5,286.69</b>	<b>4,648.45</b>	<b>2,950.75</b>	<b>2,743.08</b>

R-404A and R-507a have a very high GWP, greater than 2,500. As the use of HFCs with a GWP above 2,500 is banned in all new commercial refrigeration equipment placed on the EU market after January 1st 2020, R-404A and R-507A use is not longer permit in new equipment starting from this year. They can only be used for maintenance as a recycled or regenerated gas.

As consequence of HFC bans and phase down, and of the market dynamic of the last years, with the increasing of the cost of HFC with higher GWP and a reduction of their availability, new HFC and alternative substances with lower or null GWP have been entering the market. The refrigeration national association, F-gas import/export companies and sectoral experts were contacted in order to gather information and data on these other gases, but at present no information are available.

As the experts of the sector communicated, the refrigerants market is moving towards a model characterized by a presence of many different gases, each one with a specific different application.

#### Emission factors for the refrigeration sector

Appropriate losses rates have been applied for each gas and subsector (commercial, industrial and domestic) taking into account the equipment where refrigerants are generally used, as suggested by a pool of experts during a specific meeting held at the Ministry of the Environment, Land and Sea (ISPRA-MATTM, 2013), in order to assess F-gas emissions from refrigeration and air conditioning, with a focus on commercial refrigeration. These experts represent the following national association of refrigeration sector:

- ASSOFOODTEC-ANIMA (Commercial Refrigeration) - Association of Italian manufacturers of machinery, plant, equipment for the production, processing and preservation of food, under the ANIMA Federation.
- AICARR – Italian Association of Air Conditioning, Heating and Refrigeration.
- APPLiA Italia (Domestic Refrigeration) - It represents the manufacturers of the Domestic and Professional Appliance sector in Italy; APPLIA is a member of ANIE Federation (The National Federation of Italian Electrotechnical, Electronics and ICT Companies) and Confindustria.

For the years 1990-1999 leakage rates were supplied by the industrial associations of manufacturers as the best available country specific information for the years concerned. Industrial associations have revised the leakage

rates for the years from 2000 to take into consideration the changes in technology which have been occurring in the manufacturing of the equipment concerned.

The year 2000 has been taken as a turning point in terms of changes of technologies and good practice in the refrigerants handling, because of the transition from the use of CFCs and HCFCs towards the use of HFCs.

The Regulation (EC) n. 2037/2000 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 29 June 2000 on substances that deplete the ozone layer (EC, 2000) entered into force in 2000, introducing the phase out of CFC and the phase down of HCFC and restriction in handling these substances. As a consequence of the legislation, the relevant operational procedures in manufacturing, during installation and in exercise, e.g for split charging or appliances maintenance, changed resulting in a turning point of leakage rates.

The manufacturing and operating (product life) emission factors for commercial, industrial and domestic refrigeration equipment are reported in the following table.

**Table 4.57 Manufacturing and operating emission factors for refrigeration equipment**

Refrigeration sector	1990-1999		2000-2019	
	Leakage rate (%)		Leakage rate (%)	
	Manufacturing	Product life	Manufacturing	Product life
Small Commercial Refrigeration	0.5%	5.0%	0.5%	5.0%
Large Commercial Refrigeration	3.0%	15.0%	0.5%	12.0%
Domestic Refrigeration	3.0%	0.7%	3.0%	0.7%
Industrial Refrigeration	1.8%	15.0%	1.8%	15.0%

As some procedures used in manufacturing or during the installation of the RAC systems has changed in 2000, also F-gases market price has influenced losses control. In fact, since the F-gases are also expensive material in the manufacturing process it was a matter of concern of the manufacturers to succeed in limiting losses in that stage and that was achieved by setting higher levels in the acceptance testing procedures.

According to the information supplied by the industry reported above, year 2000 is considered a turning point for the sector market together with 2006, when the Regulation 842/2006 entered into force.

In the following box, the sources of activity data and emissions factors are summarized.

CRF Category	Category	Substance	Activity Data References	Emission Factors References
2.F.1.a	Commercial Refrigeration	HFC 125 HFC 134a HFC 143a	Solvay	Expert Judgement
2.F.1.b	Domestic Refrigeration	HFC 134a	APPLIA	Expert Judgement
2.F.1.c	Industrial Refrigeration	HFC 23	Solvay	2006 IPPC Guideline

The average lifetimes for each type of refrigeration systems are from expert judgement and from IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006; Assoclina [b], several years; ISPRA-MATTM, 2013; WG1, 2013).

**Table 4.58 Average lifetime, initial charge remaining and recovery at decommissioning for refrigeration equipment**

Refrigeration sector	Average Lifetimes (years)	Initial Charge Remaining (%)	Recovery at decommissioning (%)
Small Commercial Refrigeration	12	40%	85%
Large Commercial Refrigeration	12	-	90%
Domestic Refrigeration	14	90.2%	85%
Industrial refrigeration	20	-	90%

#### HFC emissions estimation from refrigeration sector

On the basis of the HFC consumption data, the average annual stock for commercial, industrial and domestic sub-sectors was calculated. This stock is given by the sum of the amount of refrigerant in the machines placed on the market in the considered year, plus the amount of the remainder refrigerant in the machines from the previous year and less the quantity of refrigerant in the machines that left the market in that year because at the end of their life. For each refrigerant the average annual stocks are calculated by the following equation:

$$Q_t = Q_{(t-1)} * (1 - \text{product life leakage rate}) + Q_{\text{sold}_t} - Q_{(t-X)} * \text{end of life charge (\%)}$$

where:

$Q_t$  = amount of refrigerant in operating systems year t

$Q_{(t-1)}$  = amount of refrigerant in operating systems year t-1

$Q_{\text{sold}_t}$  = amount of refrigerant sold year t

$Q_{(t-X)}$  = amount of refrigerant in operating systems X years before

$Q_{(t-X)} * \text{end of life charge (\%)}$  is the amount of refrigerant in the machines that left the market at the end of its life.

In the following table 4.59 the HFC average annual stocks for refrigeration sector are reported.

**Table 4.59 HFC average annual stocks from the Refrigeration sector, 1994-2019**

Refrigeration HFC average annual stock (t)	1994	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
<b>2.F.1.a Commercial Refrigeration</b>										
HFC-125	0.00	8.15	690.07	3,122.26	5,527.68	7,265.89	7,373.49	7,457.63	7,047.20	6,682.51
HFC -134a	0.00	0.39	2,945.12	7,438.91	11,572.11	13,402.63	13,543.45	13,430.86	13,027.81	12,557.21
HFC-143a	0.00	8.92	789.97	3,585.62	6,352.14	8,350.98	8,474.76	8,571.58	8,099.89	7,680.77
<i>HFC average annual stock</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>17.46</i>	<i>4,425.16</i>	<i>14,146.79</i>	<i>23,451.93</i>	<i>29,019.49</i>	<i>29,391.69</i>	<i>29,460.08</i>	<i>28,174.91</i>	<i>26,920.48</i>
<b>2.F.1.b Domestic Refrigeration</b>										
<i>HFC-134a</i>	<i>101.38</i>	<i>314.55</i>	<i>1580.21</i>	<i>2152.09</i>	<i>1762.92</i>	<i>620.80</i>	<i>455.83</i>	<i>355.74</i>	<i>258.91</i>	<i>201.04</i>
<i>HFC average annual stock</i>	<i>101.38</i>	<i>314.55</i>	<i>1580.21</i>	<i>2152.09</i>	<i>1762.92</i>	<i>620.80</i>	<i>455.83</i>	<i>355.74</i>	<i>258.91</i>	<i>201.04</i>
<b>2.F.1.c Industrial Refrigeration</b>										
HFC-23	0.00	5.90	34.86	73.64	97.32	97.18	97.23	94.90	90.57	85.95
<i>HFC average annual stock</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>5.90</i>	<i>34.86</i>	<i>73.64</i>	<i>97.32</i>	<i>97.18</i>	<i>97.23</i>	<i>94.90</i>	<i>90.57</i>	<i>85.95</i>
<b>Total HFC average annual stock Refrigeration sector</b>	<b>101.38</b>	<b>337.91</b>	<b>6,040.24</b>	<b>16,372.52</b>	<b>25,312.17</b>	<b>29,737.48</b>	<b>29,944.75</b>	<b>29,910.73</b>	<b>28,524.39</b>	<b>27,207.46</b>

Regarding the estimations from the refrigeration sector, no changes in the methodology was made compared to the last submission.

Commercial and industrial refrigeration emissions have been estimated on the base of Solvay data consumption (Solvay, several years) while domestic refrigeration emissions have been calculated on the basis of appliances produced and placed on the market (APPLiA Italia, several years).

Transport refrigeration and professional refrigeration such as blast chiller estimations are included in Commercial refrigeration, because no detailed information is available to split consumptions and emissions in the different sectors.

The emissions have been estimated according to IPCC's tier 2a methodologies. The F-gas total emission is the sum of charge emission, lifetime emissions, disposal emissions and containers emissions, calculated separately, according to the following LG IPCC 2006 equation:

**EQUATION 7.10**  
**SUMMARY OF SOURCES OF EMISSIONS**

$$E_{\text{total},t} = E_{\text{containers},t} + E_{\text{Charge},t} + E_{\text{lifetime},t} + E_{\text{end-of-life},t}$$

Commercial and industrial refrigeration estimates are based on single gas consumptions data that include also the quantity of gases used for the maintenance. The combination of the emission factors and the lifetime of the equipment implies that the appliance can lose its charge completely during its lifetime and consequently, the charge remaining at decommissioning is zero. In these particular cases, it can be assumed that emissions are

included in “operating systems” emissions and no emissions from disposal and emissions from recovery are present.

On the basis of information reported above, HFC emissions of the refrigeration equipment, from manufacturing, lifetime and disposal have been estimated and reported in tables 4.60, 4.61, 4.62. The disposal emissions have been calculated as the difference between the remaining HFC in products at decommissioning and the quantity of HFC recovered.

**Table 4.60 HFC manufacturing emissions from the refrigeration sector (t), 1994-2019**

<b>Refrigeration MANUFACTURING EMISSION (t)</b>	<b>1994</b>	<b>1995</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>
<b>2.F.1.a - Commercial Refrigeration</b>										
HFC-125 (t)	0.00	0.25	1.71	4.50	5.21	5.29	4.92	4.87	2.43	2.42
HFC-134a (t)	0.00	0.01	13.10	14.78	16.56	16.85	15.67	12.62	9.39	8.41
HFC-143a (t)	0.00	0.28	1.96	5.17	5.99	6.08	5.66	5.60	2.80	2.78
<i>Total HFC manufacturing emissions (t)</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0.54</i>	<i>16.76</i>	<i>24.44</i>	<i>27.76</i>	<i>28.22</i>	<i>26.25</i>	<i>23.09</i>	<i>14.63</i>	<i>13.60</i>
<b>2.F.1.b - Domestic Refrigeration</b>										
HFC-134a (t)	10.33	21.74	23.26	4.88	0.83	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<i>Total HFC manufacturing emissions (t)</i>	<i>10.33</i>	<i>21.74</i>	<i>23.26</i>	<i>4.88</i>	<i>0.83</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>
<b>2.F.1.c - Industrial Refrigeration</b>										
HFC-23 (t)	0.00	0.26	0.46	0.88	0.70	0.70	0.65	0.55	0.44	0.40
<i>Total HFC manufacturing emissions (t)</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.26</i>	<i>0.46</i>	<i>0.88</i>	<i>0.70</i>	<i>0.70</i>	<i>0.65</i>	<i>0.55</i>	<i>0.44</i>	<i>0.40</i>
<i>Total HFC manufacturing emissions - Refrigeration sector (t)</i>	<i>10.33</i>	<i>22.54</i>	<i>40.49</i>	<i>30.19</i>	<i>29.30</i>	<i>28.92</i>	<i>26.90</i>	<i>23.63</i>	<i>15.07</i>	<i>14.00</i>

**Table 4.61 HFC lifetime emissions from the refrigeration sector (t), 1994-2019**

<b>Refrigeration LIFETIME EMISSION</b>	<b>1994</b>	<b>1995</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>
<b>2.F.1.a - Commercial Refrigeration</b>										
HFC-125 (t)	0.00	1.22	82.81	374.67	663.32	871.91	884.82	894.92	845.66	801.90
HFC-134a (t)	0.00	0.06	150.75	388.16	607.46	708.11	715.72	710.53	688.23	662.80
HFC -143a (t)	0.00	1.34	94.80	430.27	762.26	1,002.12	1,016.97	1,028.59	971.99	921.69
<i>Total HFC lifetime emissions (t)</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>2.62</i>	<i>328.36</i>	<i>1,193.11</i>	<i>2,033.04</i>	<i>2,582.13</i>	<i>2,617.51</i>	<i>2,634.04</i>	<i>2,505.89</i>	<i>2,386.39</i>
<b>2.F.1.b - Domestic Refrigeration</b>										
HFC-134a (t)	0.71	2.20	11.06	15.06	12.34	4.35	3.19	2.49	1.81	1.41
<i>Total HFC lifetime emissions (t)</i>	<i>0.71</i>	<i>2.20</i>	<i>11.06</i>	<i>15.06</i>	<i>12.34</i>	<i>4.35</i>	<i>3.19</i>	<i>2.49</i>	<i>1.81</i>	<i>1.41</i>
<b>2.F.1.c - Industrial Refrigeration</b>										
HFC-23 (t)	0.00	0.88	5.23	11.05	14.60	14.58	14.58	14.24	13.59	12.89
<i>Total HFC lifetime emissions (t)</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.88</i>	<i>5.23</i>	<i>11.05</i>	<i>14.60</i>	<i>14.58</i>	<i>14.58</i>	<i>14.24</i>	<i>13.59</i>	<i>12.89</i>
<i>Total HFC lifetime emissions Refrigeration sector (t)</i>	<i>0.71</i>	<i>5.71</i>	<i>344.65</i>	<i>1,219.22</i>	<i>2,059.98</i>	<i>2,601.06</i>	<i>2,635.28</i>	<i>2,650.76</i>	<i>2,521.28</i>	<i>2,400.69</i>

**Table 4.62 HFC disposal emissions from the refrigeration sector (t), 1994-2019**

<b>Refrigeration DISPOSAL EMISSION (t)</b>	<b>1994</b>	<b>1995</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>
<b>2.F.1.a - Commercial Refrigeration</b>										
HFC-125 (t)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
HFC-134a (t)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	160.70	165.80	166.83	173.27	177.40
HFC -143a (t)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

<i>Total HFC disposal emissions (t)</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>160.70</i>	<i>165.80</i>	<i>166.83</i>	<i>173.27</i>	<i>177.40</i>
<b>2.F.1.b - Domestic Refrigeration</b>										
HFC-134a (t)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	32.85	25.68	24.09	14.53	14.15	8.41
<i>Total HFC disposal emissions (t)</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>32.85</i>	<i>25.68</i>	<i>24.09</i>	<i>14.53</i>	<i>14.15</i>	<i>8.41</i>
<b>2.F.1.c - Industrial Refrigeration</b>										
HFC-23 (t)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<i>Total HFC disposal emissions (t)</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>
<b><i>Total HFC disposal emissions (t) Refrigeration sector</i></b>	<b><i>0.00</i></b>	<b><i>0.00</i></b>	<b><i>0.00</i></b>	<b><i>0.00</i></b>	<b><i>32.85</i></b>	<b><i>186.38</i></b>	<b><i>189.89</i></b>	<b><i>181.36</i></b>	<b><i>187.42</i></b>	<b><i>185.81</i></b>

**Table 4.63 HFC total emissions from refrigeration sector (t) (manufacturing emissions plus lifetime emissions and disposal emissions), 1994-2019**

<b>Refrigeration Total emissions</b>	<b>1994</b>	<b>1995</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>
<b>2.F.1.a - Commercial Refrigeration</b>										
HFC-125 (t)	0.00	1.47	84.51	379.17	668.53	877.20	889.74	899.79	848.10	804.32
HFC-134a (t)	0.00	0.07	163.85	402.94	624.02	885.66	897.18	889.98	870.90	848.61
HFC-143a (t)	0.00	1.61	96.75	435.44	768.25	1,008.20	1,022.63	1,034.19	974.79	924.47
<i>Total HFC emissions (t)</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>3.16</i>	<i>345.12</i>	<i>1,217.55</i>	<i>2,060.80</i>	<i>2,771.06</i>	<i>2,809.55</i>	<i>2,823.95</i>	<i>2,693.78</i>	<i>2,577.40</i>
<b>2.F.1.b - Domestic Refrigeration</b>										
HFC-134a (t)	11.00	23.94	34.32	19.94	46.02	30.02	27.29	17.02	15.96	9.82
<i>Total HFC emissions (t)</i>	<i>11.00</i>	<i>23.94</i>	<i>34.32</i>	<i>19.94</i>	<i>46.02</i>	<i>30.02</i>	<i>27.29</i>	<i>17.02</i>	<i>15.96</i>	<i>9.82</i>
<b>2.F.1.c - Industrial Refrigeration</b>										
HFC-23 (t)	0.00	1.15	5.69	11.92	15.30	15.28	15.23	14.78	14.03	13.29
<i>Total HFC emissions (t)</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>1.15</i>	<i>5.69</i>	<i>11.92</i>	<i>15.30</i>	<i>15.28</i>	<i>15.23</i>	<i>14.78</i>	<i>14.03</i>	<i>13.29</i>
<b><i>Total HFC emissions (t) Refrigeration sector</i></b>	<b><i>11.00</i></b>	<b><i>28.24</i></b>	<b><i>385.13</i></b>	<b><i>1,249.41</i></b>	<b><i>2,122.12</i></b>	<b><i>2,816.36</i></b>	<b><i>2,852.07</i></b>	<b><i>2,855.76</i></b>	<b><i>2,723.78</i></b>	<b><i>2,600.51</i></b>

## ***Professional refrigeration***

In 2019 a first investigation on the professional refrigeration subsector has been carry out by Applia Italia, the Italian Association of the manufactures of the Domestic and Professional sector.

The professional refrigeration sector includes the equipment used for storage, preservation and treatment for food, in use in the professional kitchens of public sector (such as restaurants, pizzerias, pubs, hotels) of collective catering (canteens) and commercial catering (restaurant and fast food chains). These appliances are mainly hermetically sealed stand-alone units (plug –in o self contained). Professional refrigeration equipment encompass refrigerators, freezers, blast chillers and ice-making machines. All these types of equipment differ in terms of capacity, refrigerant charge, temperature levels and process techniques, factors that together with the climatic characteristics of the professional kitchen affect the feasibility of replacing hydrofluorocarbons with gas with low GWP (APPLiA Italia, 2019). In fact, according to the EU Regulation n. 517/2014, the placing on the market of professional refrigeration products is prohibited:

- From 1 January 2020: for refrigerators and freezers for commercial use (hermetically sealed equipment) that contain HFCs with GWP of 2,500 or more
- From 1 January 2022: for refrigerators and freezers for commercial use (hermetically sealed equipment) that contain HFCs with GWP of 150 or more
- From 1 January 2020: for stationary refrigeration equipment, that contains, or whose functioning relies upon, HFCs with GWP of 2,500 or more except equipment intended for application designed to cool products to temperatures below -50°C

The main HFCs used in the professional refrigeration sector are: R-404A, R-452A and HFC-134a. As these refrigerants have a very high global warming potential, they will need to be replaced by alternatives with no or very low GWP. At present, according to the experts of the sector, the hydrocarbons (mainly propane R-290) represent the only feasible alternatives to HFC: in fact the professional refrigeration sector is facing many difficulties in switching to alternatives to HFCs because of the safety standards regarding flammable products. The EN 60335-2-89 safety standard sets a charge limit of 150 g for flammables, limit that is often exceeded in this type of equipment.

In 2019, at the international IEC standard, with the contribution of EFCEM Italia, a new edition of the standard was approved. The new standard allows an increase in the propane charge up to 500 g.

European manufacturers are waiting the implementation of this standard at European level of CENELEC before they can implement an increase in the charge of natural refrigerant (APPLiA Italia, 2019).

The professional refrigeration equipment placed on the Italian market (excluding operators of collective and commercial catering) include 1,250,000 refrigerators (vertical and/or horizontal), 225,000 ice-making machines and 199,000 blast chillers. The number of equipment purchased in 2018 is estimated by considering a range of values relating to a prudential estimate and to an enlarged estimate. For the refrigerators the range of values is from 58,000 to 72,000 units, for ice making machines it is from 21,000 to 26,000 and for blust chillers the range is from 16,000 to 19,000.

More than the 23% of refrigerators stocked on the market are more than 10 years old. Ice making machines with more than 10 years old are more than 21% while the blust chillers are more than 15% of the corresponding stock on the market (APPLiA Italia, 2019).

Activity data on the professional refrigeration machines were collected for the year 2018 and are reported in the following box.

	<b>VERTICAL AND/OR HORIZONTAL REFRIGERATORS</b>	<b>ICE MAKING MACHINES</b>	<b>BLAST CHILLER</b>
Total professional refrigeration systems placed on the market	1,250,000	225,000	199,000
Number of equipment purchased in 2018	from 58,000 to 72,000	from 21,000 to 26,000	from 16,000 to 19,000
Number of units older than 10 years:	>23%	>21%	>15%
of which more than 15 years old	>12%	>9%	>6%

The use of HFC as alternative refrigerants to HCFC for the professional refrigerators started in 1995. R-404A was the main refrigerant initially utilized and subsequently it was replaced by R-452A and HFC-134a. In particular, R-452A is used in refrigerators with positive temperature and with charge equals to 300 g and in the refrigerators with negative temperature with charge equals to 450 g (APPLiA Italia, 2019). According to the APPLiA Italia report, propane is the main alternative to HFCs for the professional refrigerators, followed by isobutane and HFO. Professional refrigerators manufacturers expect HFC to be completely replaced by 2021. Regarding the blast chillers, HCFCs were used until the mid-90s and then replaced by HFCs, R-404A initially and then R-452A and HFC-134a (this one in less amount). The use of HFCs for the ice-making machines started at the end of 90s. At present the main refrigerant used are R-452A, HFC-134a e R-290 and for the future they forecast their complete replacement with HCs and HFOs by 2030. For all these products, the factory loss rate is estimated to be less than 1% (APPLiA Italia, 2019).

#### **4.7.5 Emissions from Mobile Air Conditioning, Foam blowing Agents, Fire Protection and Aerosols**

The estimates of emissions are based on single gas consumptions data supplied by the only national refrigerants producer (Solvay, several years) for foam blowing and by industry for the other sub-sectors.

For the mobile air conditioning equipment, the national motor company and the agent's union of foreign motor-cars vehicles have provided HFC-134a yearly consumptions (FIAT, several years [a]; IVECO, several years; UNRAE, several years; CNH, several years). Because of scarce availability of data regarding trucks from the industry, HFCs emissions from commercial vehicles air conditioning systems have been revised. Data from national statistics on vehicles from the Automobile Club of Italy (ACI, several years) have been used together with the assumption of a nominal refrigerant charge of 1.2 kg according to IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006) and a lifetime of 14 years (ACI, several years).

Pharmaceutical industry has provided aerosols/metered dose inhaler data (Sanofi Aventis, several years; Boehringer Ingelheim, several years; Chiesi Farmaceutici, several years; GSK, several years; Lusofarmaco, several years; Menarini, several years; Istituto De Angeli, several years).

For the fire extinguishers sector the European Association for Responsible Use of HFCs in Fire Fighting was contacted (ASSURE, 2005), as well as the Consortium of fire protection systems (Clean Gas, 2001). More in details HFC-227ea partial consumptions for fire extinguishers along the whole time series has been provided by Clean Gas Consortium. Because other Consortia of fire protection systems are present in the country, consumption data provided by Clean Gas have been multiplied for a factor equal to five according to expert judgment and a comparison with the stock of gas estimated in 2005 (Gastec Vesta, 2017). HFC-227ea consumption levels have been supplied for the years 1990-2000 together with projections of consumptions for the years 2005 and 2010, for which Clean Gas estimated the same value (130 t). Data from 2000 to 2004 have been extrapolated, data from 2005 to 2010 has been assumed constant (130 t) and data from 2011 onwards have been estimated on the basis of the following assumptions. From 2010, according to information supplied by industry (Gastec Vesta, 2017) the amount of HFC-227ea started to decrease, replaced by the new chemical NOVEC concurrently with the entering in force of the Regulation n. 517/2014 (EU, 2014): in 2016 the consumption of HFC-227ea can be assumed the 80% of the 2010 consumption. In 2019 the value has been estimated on the basis of the percentage set by the phase down reported in the Annex V of the F-gases Regulation. On the basis of expert judgment and ASSURE, because of HFC-227ea covers the 90% of the fire extinguishers market, consumption data of HFC-125 and HFC-23 have been estimated, considering that HFC-125 is 2/3 of the remaining quota. In addition to the Novec, among the best alternative solutions to HFCs on the market are inert gases but at the moment we don't have information about the quotas placed in the market. ANIMA, the Federation of National Associations of Mechanical and Engineering similar which include fire protection industry, has been contacted in order to verify the presence of Consortia of fire protection systems. At present also the Federation did not provide update information. The main national fire protection industries (Gielle and Gastec Vesta), which were involved also for the Survey about HFCs alternative substances with low GWP, natural refrigerants and alternative technologies made in Italy (ISPRA[a], 2018) in the framework of the agreements with the Ministry of the Environment, Land and Sea, have been contacted and approved the estimation approach.

Investigation in order to collect information on the HFC recovery, recycling, regeneration or disposal activities used in fire extinguishers sector was carried out from Ispra in these years but at moment without results. A

difficulty lies on the fact that in Italy, when the Authorized Halon Gas Collection Centers collect end of life F-gases, they use to mix all gases together in the containers, as confirmed also by the Ministry of Environment and it is no more possible to determine the types and quantities of gases collected in the consortium.

To obtain other information, we have also contacted one of the major fire protection Company, Gielle, that collects, throughout the national territory, exhausted refrigerant gases, CFCs, HCFCs and HFCs, to be sent for recovery, recycling, regeneration or disposal. At the moment no information has been provided. According to Gielle, at the end of life no emissions occur if the equipment are delivered to an authorized and expert company. Improvements should be obtained by consulting the new Database of fluorinated greenhouse gases and equipment containing fluorinated gases (DPR 146/2018), the analysis of the national equipment register is ongoing, but there is no certainty of the actually stock of firefighting equipment, because many operators are in delay with the compliance of the legislation.

For the foam blowing agents, Solvay provided consumption data of HFC-245fa and HFC-134a; no information about other HFCs eventually used are available. Furthermore, no information is available on the type of foam, if open or closed cells, on which a different emission factor depends. In order to gather these information and data, we contacted the main national associations of foam blowing and the experts of the sector who reported that closed cell are more widespread than open cell foams by reporting that other information at present are not available. For this reason, the HFC consumptions provided by Solvay have been attributed entirely to closed cells.

In the following table 4.64, the sources of activity data and emissions factors are summarized.

**Table 4.64 Activity data and emission factors references for MAC, Foam blowing, Aerosols and Fire extinguishers**

CRF Category	Category	Substance	Activity Data References	Emission Factors References
2.F.1.e	Mobile Air Conditioning	HFC-134a	FIAT, IVECO, UNRAE, CNH, ACI	IPCC, ACI
2.F.2.a	Foam blowing	HFC-245fa HFC-134a	Solvay	IPCC
2.F.4	Metered Dose Inhalers	HFC-134a	Menarini, Chiesi, Sanofi Aventis, GSK, Lusofarmaco, Istituto De Angeli, Boehringer	Chiesi
2.F.3	Fire Extinguishers	HFC-227ea	Clean Gas, Gastec Vesta, Expert judgment	ASSURE

Due to the methodology used to estimate emissions, based on the consumption of the F-gases in the different categories, where relevant, the estimated consumption include also the amount of fluid contained in the imported products. As an example, the amount of F-gases used in the air conditioning devices mounted on vehicles manufactured abroad and imported in Italy is part of the information we use in the estimation process. UNRAE, which is the Association of foreign car makers, provide us every year with the amount of F-gases used in the imported vehicles.

As for aerosols (i.e. MDI), every year the relevant operators at national level provide us with the consumption of F-gases used in the national production process. Some of the reporting operators manufacture the MDI at Italian facilities as well as export the products, while some others just market in Italy imported MDI.

Emissions estimation from MAC systems is based on gas consumption provided by the relevant national operators. These data have been used to estimate the quantity accumulated every year. Emissions from equipment disposal are already included into the emission during the product's life for the whole time series. According to the IPCC default values for MAC systems, leakage rates product's life are equal to 10-20%. The lower bounds of the ranges are usually to be used for new vehicles, the upper bound values for retrofit vehicles. From early 2000s all the new vehicles are equipped with AC and no more vehicles needed to be retrofitted. Emission factor for the first fill have been provided by manufacturers and are in line with the default value in the IPCC Guidelines (4-5%).

Emissions from MDI are estimated on the basis of HFC consumptions and losses rates provided by the relevant operators in Italy, using the Equation 7.6 of the 2006 IPCC Guidelines. Specifically, losses rate during manufacturing is set at 1.95% while it is assumed that 50% of the chemical charge escapes within the first year and the remaining charge escapes during the second year, according to 2006 IPCC Guidelines.

Concerning fire extinguishers, ASSURE, the European association for responsible use of HFCs in fire fighting, provided us with the information concerning losses rates in manufacturing of fire fighting systems (0%) and during the average lifetime of the fire extinguishers (less than 5%) (ASSURE, 2005). About the lifetime emission national fire protection industries explained that an alarm safety system installed in the fire protection

equipment starts when losses are over 5%. The whole gas is considered emitted and not recovered as required by the latest European and National legislation.

Emissions from the foam blowing are estimated using the leakage rates reported in the 2006 IPCC Guidelines emission factors for the closed cells. Specifically, losses rate during manufacturing is equals to 10% while the operating rate is 4.5%. The emission factors reported in table 4.65 have been used, for the whole time series.

**Table 4.65 Manufacturing and product life leakage rate for MAC, Foam blowing, Fire extinguishers and Aerosols**

Subsector	Leakage rate (%)	
	Manufacturing	Operating
Mobile Air Conditioning – new vehicles	4%	10%
Mobile Air Conditioning – retrofit vehicles	8%	20%
Metered Dose Inhalers	1.95%	50%
Foam blowing (closed cells)	10%	4.5%
Fire Protection	0%	5%

Finally, the following average lifetimes and the percentage of recovered gas at decommissioning have been applied, based on default values from 2006 IPCC Guidelines and expert judgment.

	Average Lifetimes (years)	Recovery at decommissioning (%)
MAC	14	0%
Metered Dose Inhalers (MDI)	2	0%

In table 4.66, an overview of the total emissions (manufacturing, lifetime and disposal) from the sub-sectors is given for the 1990-2019 period, per compound.

**Table 4.66 HFC emissions from MAC, Foam blowing, Fire extinguishers and Aerosols sub-sectors, 1990-2019 (t)**

COMPOUND (t)	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
<b>2.F.1.e - Mobile Air Conditioning</b>										
HFC-134a	0.00	204.59	685.04	928.82	1,063.88	1,072.73	1,092.51	1,091.70	1,081.59	1,069.38
<i>Total HFC emissions</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>204.59</i>	<i>685.04</i>	<i>928.82</i>	<i>1,063.88</i>	<i>1,072.73</i>	<i>1,092.51</i>	<i>1,091.70</i>	<i>1,081.59</i>	<i>1,069.38</i>
<b>2.F.2.a - Foam blowing (closed cell)</b>										
HFC-245fa	0.,00	0.00	0.00	140.56	229.14	302.03	304.67	297.96	288.28	275.77
HFC-134a	0.00	0.00	49.37	180.07	213.81	234.74	235.38	229.62	221.87	212.20
<i>Total HFC emissions</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>49.37</i>	<i>320.63</i>	<i>442.95</i>	<i>536.77</i>	<i>540.05</i>	<i>527.58</i>	<i>510.14</i>	<i>487.97</i>
<b>2.F.3 - Fire Extinguishers</b>										
HFC-227ea	0.00	3.88	40.21	158.63	299.20	389.71	401.43	408.94	412.44	414.07
HFC-23	0.00	0.14	1.49	5.88	11.08	13.98	13.28	12.62	11.99	11.39
HFC-125	0.00	0.29	2.98	11.75	22.16	28.87	29.74	30.29	30.55	30.67
<i>Total HFC emissions</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>4.31</i>	<i>44.68</i>	<i>176.26</i>	<i>332.44</i>	<i>432.56</i>	<i>444.45</i>	<i>451.84</i>	<i>454.98</i>	<i>456.13</i>
<b>2.F.4 - Aerosol</b>										
HFC-134a	0.00	0.00	81.54	225.32	200.69	129.37	114.80	144.97	179.74	182.87
<i>Total HFC emissions</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>81.54</i>	<i>225.32</i>	<i>200.69</i>	<i>129.37</i>	<i>114.80</i>	<i>144.97</i>	<i>179.74</i>	<i>182.87</i>

#### 4.7.6 Uncertainty and time-series consistency

The combined uncertainty in F-gas emissions for HFC emissions from HFC emissions used as substitutes for ODS is estimated to be about 58% in annual emissions, 30% and 50%, concerning activity data and emission factors, respectively.

HFC emissions from the stationary air conditioning equipment increased from 1996 driven by the increase of their consumptions. HFC total consumptions continued to increase over the years because the HFC substitution process with the alternatives with a lower or null GWP, some of which flammable, started in delay in respect

the other sectors. In fact the Italian regulation remains highly restrictive for flammable refrigerants in public buildings. A number of Ministerial Decrees affecting various public access buildings restricts the use of flammable refrigerants (A2L and A3) such as hydrocarbons, HFO, R-32 in air-conditioning equipment. Besides, the standards on flammability is another critical factor that affects the choice of refrigerants in the sector: in Italy there is no a classification that distinguishes highly flammable, mildly flammable and not flammable substances (as for European and international standards) but at the legislative level it is distinguished only between flammable and non-flammable substances and thus, all the mildly flammable refrigerants (such as R-32) are classified as high flammable, by limiting their use. In June 2020 the decree of the Ministry of the Interior on "Fire prevention provisions for air conditioning systems included in activities subject to fire prevention controls"<sup>7</sup> entered in force (DM 73/2020). This decree allows the possibility of using, in air conditioning systems for public activities (hotels, schools, etc.), machines equipped with refrigerants classified as A1 or A2L, according to ISO 817 «Refrigerants - designations and safety classification 'or equivalent standard. Thus a major use of alternatives, some also flammable such as R-32 is expected for coming years. Because of the methodology approach followed, emissions reduction will occur in the following years.

**Table 4.67 Total HFC emissions from Stationary Air Conditioning sector, 1996 - 2019 (t)**

2.F.1.f - Stationary Air Conditioning TOTAL EMISSIONS	1996	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
<b>COMPOUND (t)</b>									
HFC-134a	1.84	10.59	142.34	146.43	183.03	215.79	228.71	283.33	344.62
HFC-125	0.32	3.40	152.98	316.14	495.03	575.41	633.73	750.52	918.82
HFC-32	0.31	3.22	148.63	312.00	490.36	586.09	672.70	835.10	1,061.01
<i>Total HFC emissions -Stationary Air Conditioning</i>	<i>2.47</i>	<i>17.20</i>	<i>443.95</i>	<i>774.58</i>	<i>1,168.42</i>	<i>1,377.30</i>	<i>1,535.14</i>	<i>1,868.95</i>	<i>2,324.44</i>

HFC emissions from refrigeration equipment increased from 1994 driven by the increase of their consumptions. HFC total consumptions started to decrease from 2015 due to the reduction of the quantity of hydrofluorocarbons placed on the market as well as the restrictions for some products and equipment derived from the entering in force of the European F-gases Regulation (UE, 2014).

Over the entire series, the maximum value of gases consumptions was registered in 2014 with 6,135.06 t. Due to the reduction of HFC consumptions, in 2019 total refrigeration emissions registered a decrease in comparison with the 2018 (2,600.51 emitted in 2019 compared to 2,723.78 t emitted in 2018). With the methodology approach followed, emissions reduction will occur in the following years.

**Table 4.68 Total HFC emissions from Refrigeration sector (t) (manufacturing emissions plus lifetime emissions and disposal emissions), 1994-2019**

Refrigeration TOTAL EMISSIONS (t)	1994	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
<b>2.F.1.a - Commercial Refrigeration</b>										
HFC 125	0.00	1.47	84.51	379.17	668.53	877.20	889.74	899.79	848.10	804.32
HFC 134a	0.00	0.07	163.85	402.94	624.02	885.66	897.18	889.98	870.90	848.61
HFC 143a	0.00	1.61	96.75	435.44	768.25	1,008.20	1,022.63	1,034.19	974.79	924.47
<i>Total HFC emissions</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>3.16</i>	<i>345.12</i>	<i>1,217.55</i>	<i>2,060.80</i>	<i>2,771.06</i>	<i>2,809.55</i>	<i>2,823.95</i>	<i>2,693.78</i>	<i>2,577.40</i>
<b>2.F.1.b - Domestic Refrigeration</b>										
HFC 134a (t)	11.04	23.94	34.32	19.94	46.02	30.02	27.29	17.02	15.96	9.82
<i>Total HFC emissions</i>	<i>11.04</i>	<i>23.94</i>	<i>34.32</i>	<i>19.94</i>	<i>46.02</i>	<i>30.02</i>	<i>27.29</i>	<i>17.02</i>	<i>15.96</i>	<i>9.82</i>
<b>2.F.1.c - Industrial Refrigeration</b>										
HFC 23 (t)	0.00	1.15	5.69	11.92	15.30	15.28	15.23	14.78	14.03	13.29
<i>Total HFC emissions</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>1.15</i>	<i>5.69</i>	<i>11.92</i>	<i>15.30</i>	<i>15.28</i>	<i>15.23</i>	<i>14.78</i>	<i>14.03</i>	<i>13.29</i>

<sup>7</sup>Air conditioning systems for activities open to the public, such as schools, hotels, sport centres ecc.

Refrigeration TOTAL EMISSIONS (t)	1994	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
<i>Total HFC emissions from Refrigeration sector</i>	<i>11.04</i>	<i>28.24</i>	<i>385.13</i>	<i>1,249.41</i>	<i>2,122.12</i>	<i>2,816.36</i>	<i>2,852.07</i>	<i>2,855.76</i>	<i>2,723.78</i>	<i>2,600.51</i>

HFC emissions from MAC, Foam blowing, Fire extinguishers and Aerosols sub-sectors increased from 1994 driven by the increase of their consumptions. HFC consumptions from MAC and Foam blowing started to decrease from 2016 due to the reduction of the quantity of hydrofluorocarbons placed on the market as well as the restrictions for some products and equipment derived from the entering in force of the European F-gases Regulation (EU, 2014). Because of the methodology approach followed, emissions reduction will occur in the following years.

**Table 4.69 HFC emissions from MAC, Foam blowing, Fire extinguishers and Aerosols sectors, 1990-2019 (t)**

COMPOUND (t)	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
<b>2.F.1.e - Mobile Air Conditioning</b>										
HFC-134a	0.00	204.59	685.04	928.82	1,063.88	1,072.73	1,092.51	1,091.70	1,081.59	1,069.38
<i>Total HFC emissions</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>204.59</i>	<i>685.04</i>	<i>928.82</i>	<i>1,063.88</i>	<i>1,072.73</i>	<i>1,092.51</i>	<i>1,091.70</i>	<i>1,081.59</i>	<i>1,069.38</i>
<b>2.F.2.a - Foam blowing (closed cell)</b>										
HFC-245fa	0.00	0.00	0.00	140.56	229.14	302.03	304.67	297.96	288.28	275.77
HFC-134a	0.00	0.00	49.37	180.07	213.81	234.74	235.38	229.62	221.87	212.20
<i>Total HFC emissions</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>49.37</i>	<i>320.63</i>	<i>442.95</i>	<i>536.77</i>	<i>540.05</i>	<i>527.58</i>	<i>510.14</i>	<i>487.97</i>
<b>2.F.3 - Fire Extinguishers</b>										
HFC-227ea	0.00	3.88	40.21	158.63	299.20	389.71	401.43	408.94	412.44	414.07
HFC-23	0.00	0.14	1.49	5.88	11.08	13.98	13.28	12.62	11.99	11.39
HFC-125	0.00	0.29	2.98	11.75	22.16	28.87	29.74	30.29	30.55	30.67
<i>Total HFC emissions</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>4.31</i>	<i>44.68</i>	<i>176.26</i>	<i>332.44</i>	<i>432.56</i>	<i>444.45</i>	<i>451.84</i>	<i>454.98</i>	<i>456.13</i>
<b>2.F.4 - Aerosol</b>										
HFC-134a	0.00	0.00	81.54	225.32	200.69	129.37	114.80	144.97	179.74	182.87
<i>Total HFC emissions</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>81.54</i>	<i>225.32</i>	<i>200.69</i>	<i>129.37</i>	<i>114.80</i>	<i>144.97</i>	<i>179.74</i>	<i>182.87</i>

#### 4.7.7 Source-specific QA/QC and verification

This source category is covered by the general QA/QC procedures.

Air conditioning category, as well as refrigeration, foam blowing, fire extinguishers and aerosols has been analysed with experts of the national associations, in the framework of the study planned by the agreements with the Ministry of the Environment, Land and Sea for a survey, about HFCs alternative substances with low GWP, natural refrigerants and alternative technologies. A continuous sharing of information between the experts of national association and the Inventory team is ongoing.

The Regulation n. 842/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 May 2006 on certain fluorinated greenhouse gases (EC, 2006), has been transposed into a national decree in 2012, by the Decree of the President of the Republic 27 January 2012, n. 43 (DPR 43/2012), now replaced by the new Decree of the President of the Republic 16 November 2018, n. 146 (DPR 146/2018). In particular, the article 3(6) of the Regulation n. 842/2006 has been transposed in the art. 16 of the national Decree 43/2012, where was stated that every year by the 31 May, the operator of the refrigeration, air conditioning and heat pump equipment, as well as fire protection systems, which contain more than 3 kg of fluorinated greenhouse gases, submitted to ISPRA data on emissions referred to those application. With the new Decree ISPRA is not involved in the data collection anymore.

ISPRA has developed a specific website, where each operator requests username and password and compiles the Declaration, available from 2012 up to 2017.

Data are still of course not complete, and consequently not comparable with inventory data, but a preliminary analysis has been done, on data collected for 2013, resulting in product life factor for the commercial appliances much far lower compare to product life factors reported in the IPCC GPG and Guidelines, as enhanced in the following box.

Categories	2013 Declaration data	2014 Declaration data	Product Life Factor	
			IPCC Guidelines 2006 %	Inventory 2020
Air Conditioning	5.4	3.2	1-10	1-18
Commercial Refrigeration	9.8	11.3	1-35 1-35 (1-15 for Stand alone and 10-35 for large and medium)	5 (small appliances) 15-12 (large and medium)
Fire Protection	1.6	0.4	5	5.0%

A report concerning 2013-2014 F-gas data has been published by ISPRA (ISPRA, 2018 [b]).

Information from the reporting (EC, several years) under article 6 of the Regulation n. 842/2006 (EC, 2006) and article 19 Regulation n. 517/2014 (EU, 2014), as well information from the National Database of the refrigeration, air conditioning and fire protection systems, established by the article 16 of DPR 43/2012, has been analysed.

Information from the reporting above is checking with import and export data directly from the companies: in fact, from the beginning of 2017 ISPRA has contacted the companies involved in the reporting system, asking to provide data on import/export both from/to European countries and not European countries, and, where available, sales data distinguished for application, at a country level. Collected data is incomplete and an evaluation process by ISPRA is ongoing.

#### 4.7.8 Source-specific recalculations

Recalculation affected the emission estimates of the Stationary Air conditioning sector. The major recalculation is due to the revision of the percentage of R-32 mono and multisplit machines sold and manufactured, with consequently a change in the percentage of equipment using R-410A for the years from 2016 to 2019. This resulted in an increase of R-32 emissions and a decrease of R-410A emissions, of which HFC-125 accounts for 50% of the R-410A (the other 50% is R-32).

A review of the activity data was also carried out which resulted in the correction of some values and of the formula for calculating the accumulated quantity of gases and of gas stocked in the containers for chiller. In addition, heat pumps for heating only were considered, for those equipment or power classes in which they had not previously been included. The following table 4.70 shows the differences between the current submission and last year submission for what concern Stationary Air Conditioning sector.

**Table 4.70 Differences between 2020 and 2021 submission**

COMPOUND (t)	1996	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018
<b>Submission 2020</b>								
<b>2.F.1.f - Stationary Air Conditioning</b>								
HFC-134a	1.84	10.59	142.35	146.36	183.67	218.46	234.99	295.6
HFC-125	0.31	3.42	152.97	315.92	495.19	581.20	656.20	782.4
HFC-32	0.31	3.23	148.63	311.78	490.49	583.36	671.87	827.9
<b>Total HFC emissions from Stationary Air Conditioning</b>	<b>2.46</b>	<b>17.24</b>	<b>443.95</b>	<b>774.06</b>	<b>1,169.35</b>	<b>1,383.02</b>	<b>1,563.06</b>	<b>1,905.85</b>
<b>Submission 2021</b>								
<b>2.F.1.f - Stationary Air Conditioning</b>								
HFC-134a	1.84	10.59	142.34	146.43	183.03	215.79	228.71	283.33
HFC-125	0.32	3.40	152.98	316.14	495.03	575.41	633.73	750.52
HFC-32	0.31	3.22	148.63	312.00	490.36	586.09	672.70	835.10
<b>Total HFC emissions from Stationary Air Conditioning</b>	<b>2.47</b>	<b>17.20</b>	<b>443.95</b>	<b>774.58</b>	<b>1,168.42</b>	<b>1,377.30</b>	<b>1,535.14</b>	<b>1,868.95</b>

No recalculation has occurred for Refrigeration, MAC, Foam blowing, Fire extinguishers and Aerosols sub-sectors.

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#### **4.7.9 Source-specific planned improvements**

To improve our estimation in all the sectors above described we are constantly in contact with the national experts and Associations in order to collect any new information that gradually become available. For the stationary air conditioning sector the focus is on emissions from disposal, recovered and containers management, on the HFCs topping up, the use of R-32 and other alternatives refrigerants, in substitution of the traditional HFC and on the changing of the average charges of the equipment, that can occur by considering the effect of the Ecodesign Directive in terms of energy efficiency of machines. For the Refrigeration sector also disposal and recovered emissions and the HFC topping up are topics to be investigated, as the information about the refrigerants market, the presence and use of new HFCs with lower GWP (for example R-448A) or natural refrigerants, such as CO<sub>2</sub>. This gas is entering the market especially with the transcritical configuration adopted in supermarket and hypermarket. The effects of the growing prices of the traditional gases and the reduction of their availability, together with the bans of F-gas regulation, is causing the switch to alternative substances and thus the reduction of HFC emissions. A further fact-finding survey on organized large-scale distribution, and trade retail for the commercial refrigeration subsector is also planned in order to use this information for integrating and/or checking the estimation method used at present.

For the Foam blowing the investigation focuses on the consumption of other F-gases eventually used in the sectors ( for example HFC-365mfc and HFC-227ea) and on the different contribution of closed cell and open cell foams to the emissions.

Improvements should be obtained by consulting the new National Telematic Registry of fluorinated greenhouse gases and equipment containing fluorinated gases that has been instituted by the DPR 146/2018, entered in force in January 2019. We have already started to check data of the Register and, from a first analysis, it emerges that the information contained is not always in the form and at the level of detail useful for estimating of the Inventory. However, we are working with the Responsables of the Registry to overcome these problems.

Finally, we have started to investigate the dryers and washer-dryers heat pump machines sector. According to Applia Italia, that we contacted, these machines have been starting to use HFC (R-134a, R-450A, R-407C) since recent times and R-290 is indicated as the main alternative to HFC. For all these machines the manufacturing loss rate is estimated less than 1% (Applia Italia, 2019). To date, no further specific data is available to allow an estimate of emissions but we remain in constant contact with the Association, to check the availability of new information over time.

## **4.8 Other product manufacture and use (2G)**

### **4.8.1 Source category description**

The sub-sector “Other product manufacture and use” consists of the following sub-applications:

2.G.1 – SF<sub>6</sub> Emissions from electrical equipment

2.G.2 – SF<sub>6</sub> used in equipment in university and research particle accelerators

2.G.3 – N<sub>2</sub>O from product uses

The share of SF<sub>6</sub> emissions from the sector in the national total of SF<sub>6</sub> was 72% in the base-year 1990, and 86.5% in 2019, whereas in the national total of F-gases, the share of SF<sub>6</sub> emissions from the sector was 7.8% in 1990 and 2.1% in 2019. N<sub>2</sub>O accounts for only 3.1% of the national total N<sub>2</sub>O emissions.

### **4.8.2 Methodological issues**

#### ***Electrical Equipment (SF<sub>6</sub>)***

As regard SF<sub>6</sub> emissions from electrical equipment, these have been estimated according to the IPCC Tier 2 approach. Concerning manufacturing and installation emissions, since 1995 the methodology used is largely in accordance with the IPCC Tier 3 methodology. In 1997, the ANIE Federation has begun a statistical survey within their associated companies, in accordance with ISPRA, in order to monitor yearly SF<sub>6</sub> used in electrical equipment > 1kV, and thus SF<sub>6</sub> manufacturing emissions (ANIE, 2001). ANIE Federation is the Confindustria member representing the electrotechnical and electronic companies operating in Italy. ANIE has developed data sheets for their associated companies in accordance with the methodology drawn up by CAPIEL, the Coordinating Committee for the Associations of Manufacturers of Switchgear and Controlgear equipment in the European Union: the CAPIEL inventory methodology covers all sorts of use of SF<sub>6</sub> in the electrical sector,

from the SF<sub>6</sub> purchase till the end of life of the equipment and covers all aspects of the required data (CAPIEL, 2002). It is based on a Mass Balance Methodology, as given by IPCC Tier 3b, comparing the input and output on a yearly basis.

In the following box the summary sheet used for manufacturing inventory is reported (ANIE, several years).

*SF<sub>6</sub> inventory at manufacturing level (ANIE, reporting year 2019)*

INVENTORY'S CATEGORIES				Year 2019 (kg)
1. Purchased amount	1.1 In Italy		Weight of SF <sub>6</sub> contained in the tanks	24,134
	1.2 Abroad		Weight of SF <sub>6</sub> contained in the tanks	48,270
				<b>TOTAL 1.</b>
				<b>72,404</b>
2. Amount contained in the equipment at the terms of sale	2.1 In Italy	2.1.1 ENEL	Weight of SF <sub>6</sub> contained in the equipment and in the tanks	16,505
		2.1.2 Energy industry and railways	Weight of SF <sub>6</sub> contained in the equipment and in the tanks	7,827
		2.1.3 Others (Industry, Tertiary, Private, ecc.)	Weight of SF <sub>6</sub> contained in the equipment and in the tanks	6,781
	2.2 Abroad		Weight of SF <sub>6</sub> contained in the equipment and in the tanks	33,997
				<b>TOTAL 2.</b>
				<b>65,110</b>
3. Amount contained in the equipment returned to the manufacturer			Weight of SF <sub>6</sub> contained in the equipment and in the tanks	<b>TOTAL 3.</b>
				<b>2,940</b>
4. a) Destroyed amount			Weight of SF <sub>6</sub> in the equipment sent to authorized disposal treatment	0
4. b) Amount returned to the manufacturer			Weight of SF <sub>6</sub> returned to manufacturer for authorized recycling	
				11,389
				<b>TOTAL 4.</b>
				<b>11,389</b>
5. Annual stock changes				<b>TOTAL 5.</b>
				<b>-1,950</b>
SF <sub>6</sub> emissions from manufacturing	Balance input-output (1+3-5)-(2+4)			<b>795</b>

From 1990 to 1994 emissions have been estimated on the basis of leakage rate during manufacturing and installation and the amount of SF<sub>6</sub> contained in the equipment sold to the end users, because, for this period, only data referred to point 1 and point 2 of the box, are available from ANIE.

The loss rates during manufacturing and installation of the equipment, used to estimate the SF<sub>6</sub> emissions, are reported in table 4.71. Leakage rates have been derived from ANIE Federation expert judgement.

**Table 4.71 Leakage rates used to estimate SF<sub>6</sub> emissions from manufacturing and installation from 1990 to 1994**

	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994
Manufacturing	0.060	0.060	0.060	0.060	0.060
Installation	0.060	0.055	0.050	0.045	0.040

In Table 4.72, SF<sub>6</sub> emissions from manufacturing (which include installation), use and disposal are reported. Emissions from manufacturing were about 14 tons in 1995, whereas in 2019 are only 0.79 tons, due to the great increase of the SF<sub>6</sub> recycled.

Emissions trend from manufacturing is strongly decreasing thanks to the diligence of the companies involved, which have taken voluntary actions to reduce emissions as much as technically possible. Probable fluctuations within the time series in manufacturing emissions are basically due to yearly variation of the stocked quantity of SF<sub>6</sub>.

**Table 4.72 SF<sub>6</sub> emissions from manufacturing, use and disposal from 1990 to 2019**

SF <sub>6</sub> EMISSIONS (Mg)	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Manufacturing	8.470	14.657	5.637	3.562	3.185	1.259	1.684	1.255	1.558	0.795
Use	0.460	4.886	6.469	9.592	10.302	11.648	10.868	12.313	12.536	12.750
Disposal	0.000	0.623	0.464	0.199	0.059	0.037	0.054	0.044	0.089	0.088
<b>Total</b>	<b>8.930</b>	<b>20.165</b>	<b>12.571</b>	<b>13.353</b>	<b>13.546</b>	<b>12.945</b>	<b>12.606</b>	<b>13.612</b>	<b>14.183</b>	<b>13.633</b>

SF<sub>6</sub> use emissions are those from Closed Pressure Systems, including high voltage equipment that requires refilling with gas during its lifetime. Equipment use emissions are estimating by multiplying the quantity of SF<sub>6</sub> yearly accumulated by a use emission factor. The quantity of SF<sub>6</sub> accumulated is estimated using SF<sub>6</sub> annual sales activity data (ANIE, several years), multiplied for the factor 0.8, which take into account the percentage of the total sales referred to Closed Pressure Systems. Moreover, equipment use emissions are the sum of three components:

- emissions from ENEL (the former electricity monopoly);
- emissions from electricity utilities and the national railways company;
- emissions from industries and other private operators.

Since 1994, refilling data of SF<sub>6</sub> used in high voltage gas-insulated transmission lines have been supplied by the main energy distribution companies (in the past included in ENEL) checked with data reported under the national PRTR register (EDIPOWER, several years; EDISON, several years; ENDESA, 2004; ENDESA, several years [a] and [b]; ENEL, several years; TERNAL, several years).

The leakage rate used to estimate the SF<sub>6</sub> use emissions is assumed equal to 0.01 from 1990 to 2009 and 0.005 from 2010, based on national expert judgment (AIET, 2007).

Finally, SF<sub>6</sub> disposal emissions from electrical equipment are estimating by multiplying the quantity of SF<sub>6</sub> contained in retired equipment by the fraction of SF<sub>6</sub> left in the equipment at the end of its life, assumed to be constant and equal to 0.15 from 1990 to 1995, and linearly decreasing until to 2010 value 0.03, as reported in table 4.73. Since 1995, activity data (point 3 of the SF<sub>6</sub> inventory at manufacturing level reported above) are directly supplied by ANIE (ANIE, several years), whereas from 1990 to 1994 the total amount of SF<sub>6</sub> accumulated in the equipment is multiplied by a disposal rate which is equal to zero in that period. Leakage disposal rate and disposal rate derived from personal communication.

**Table 4.73 Disposal rates and leakage rate at disposal used to estimate SF<sub>6</sub> emissions from disposal, 1990-2019**

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Disposal rate	0	0	0.01	0.02	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03
Leakage rate at disposal	0.15	0.15	0.11	0.07	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03

As for fluctuation in emissions within the years, Figure 4.4 is reported for a better understanding.

As regard the years from 1995 to 2000, please consider that the total SF<sub>6</sub> emission values result by the sum of emissions from “manufacturing”, “operating” and “retiring” and that concerning the trends of these contributions the following facts should be pointed out:

- 1) emissions from manufacturing reach a peak in 1997;
- 2) emissions from operating reach a peak in 1997;
- 3) emissions from retiring reach a peak in 1997 although the relevant contributions to total SF<sub>6</sub> emissions are those from manufacturing and operating.

Data between 1995 and 2000 are consistent and come from the SF<sub>6</sub> mass balance.

In Figure 4.4 the time series for SF<sub>6</sub> purchased amounts and of the three contributions to SF<sub>6</sub> emissions from electrical equipment are illustrated. It could be noted that the trend of the amounts of SF<sub>6</sub> estimated for “manufacturing” is driven by the trend of purchased SF<sub>6</sub>.

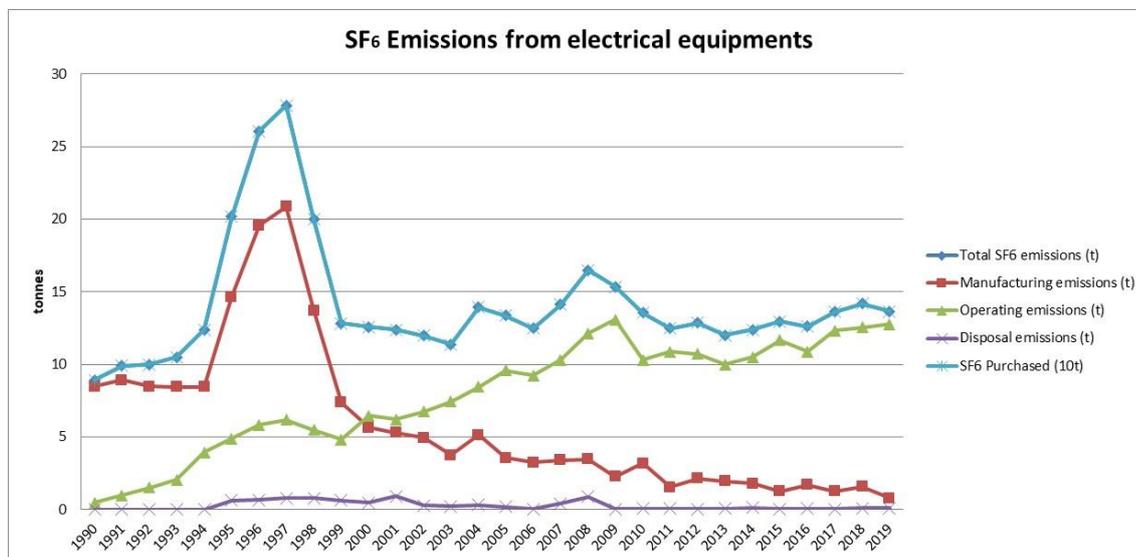


Figure 4.4 Time series for SF<sub>6</sub> purchased amounts and emissions from electrical equipment

#### SF<sub>6</sub> used in equipment in university and research particle accelerators

SF<sub>6</sub> Emissions from research particle accelerators have been estimated from 1990. A survey on the particle accelerators used for research purpose has been carried on, asking directly information to the national research institutes: INFN, the National Institute for Nuclear Physics and INAF the National Institute of Astrophysics. INFN has supplied refilling data of SF<sub>6</sub> for four particle accelerators located in three laboratories, Catania, Legnaro and Firenze (INFN, several years), for the entire time series 1990–2019. These particle accelerators use SF<sub>6</sub> from 1984, 1981, 1976 and 2004 respectively. INAF doesn't use SF<sub>6</sub> in their research activities. SF<sub>6</sub> emissions from industrial and medical particle accelerators have been estimated from 1990 too. As for research particle accelerators, a survey on the accelerators used for medical purposes has been carried on. In Italy particle accelerators for medical purposes are supplied by only three companies, Siemens Healthcare, Varian Medical System and Elekta. Data on the number of accelerators and the charge of SF<sub>6</sub> have been communicated from 1990 (Siemens, several years; Varian, several years).

#### N<sub>2</sub>O from product use

N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from the use of N<sub>2</sub>O for anaesthesia, aerosol cans and explosives are estimated. Emissions of N<sub>2</sub>O have been estimated taking into account information available by industrial associations. Specifically, the manufacturers and distributors association of N<sub>2</sub>O products has supplied data on the use of N<sub>2</sub>O for anaesthesia from 1994 (Assogastecnici, several years). For previous years, data have been estimated by the number of surgical beds published by national statistics (ISTAT, several years [a]). It is assumed that all N<sub>2</sub>O used will eventually be released to the atmosphere, therefore the emission factor for anaesthesia is equal to 1 Mg N<sub>2</sub>O/Mg product use.

Moreover, the Italian Association of Aerosol Producers (AIA, several years [a] and [b]) has provided data on the annual production of aerosol cans used for whipped cream which contain N<sub>2</sub>O as propellant. Emission factor used is 0.025 Mg N<sub>2</sub>O/Mg product use, because the N<sub>2</sub>O content is assumed to be 2.5% on average (Co.Da.P., 2005). The association provides also the number of aerosol cans for other uses (cosmetics, household and cleaning products, pharmaceutical products) and the propellants (LPG and HFC-134a for pharmaceutical products); relevant emissions are estimated in domestic solvent use category as NMVOC and in HFC-134a emissions from aerosols/metered dose inhalers category.

For the estimation of N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from explosives, data on the annual consumption of explosives have been obtained by a specific study on the sector (Folchi and Zordan, 2004); as stated in the document, this figure is believed to be constant for all the time series with a variation within a range of 30%. As for the emission factor, the estimated N<sub>2</sub>O emissions represent the theoretically maximum emittable amount; in fact, no figures are

available on the amount of N<sub>2</sub>O emissions actually emitted upon detonations and the value of 3,400 Mg N<sub>2</sub>O/Mg explosive use is provided by a German reference (Benndford, 1999) which corresponds to the assumption of 68 g N<sub>2</sub>O per kg ammonium nitrate.

N<sub>2</sub>O emissions have been calculated multiplying activity data, total quantity of N<sub>2</sub>O used for anaesthesia, total aerosol cans and explosives, by the related emission factors.

#### 4.8.3 Uncertainty and time series consistency

The uncertainty in SF<sub>6</sub> emissions from electrical equipment and particle accelerators is estimated to be 20.6% in annual emissions, 5% and 20% concerning respectively activity data and emission factors.

In table 4.74 an overview of SF<sub>6</sub> emissions from electrical equipment and particle accelerators is given for the 1990-2019 period.

SF<sub>6</sub> emissions from electrical equipment increased from 1995 to 1997 and decreased in the following years; from 2004 emissions are enough stable: they are driven by emissions from manufacturing due to the amount of fluid filled in the new manufacturing products while emissions from stocks are slightly increasing.

**Table 4.74 SF<sub>6</sub> emissions from other product manufacture and use, 1990-2019 (t)**

COMPOUND (t)	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
<b>2.G.1</b>										
SF <sub>6</sub> emissions from electrical equipment	8.9	20.2	12.6	13.4	13.5	12.9	12.6	13.6	14.2	13.6
<b>2.G.2.b</b>										
SF <sub>6</sub> emissions from research particle accelerators	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.7	1.7	5.7	2.6	1.8	3.2	3.2
<b>Total SF<sub>6</sub> emissions from 2G sector</b>	<b>12.9</b>	<b>24.2</b>	<b>16.6</b>	<b>18.1</b>	<b>15.2</b>	<b>18.6</b>	<b>15.2</b>	<b>15.4</b>	<b>17.4</b>	<b>16.9</b>

The combined uncertainty in N<sub>2</sub>O emissions is estimated equal to 51% due to an uncertainty in activity data of 50% and 10% in the emission factor. N<sub>2</sub>O emissions remain almost at the same levels from 1990 onwards although, from 2000, a reduction is detected, due to a decrease in the anaesthetic use of N<sub>2</sub>O that has been replaced by halogen gas. Table 4.75 shows the N<sub>2</sub>O emission trend from 1990 to 2019.

**Table 4.75 Trend in N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from product uses, 1990 – 2019 (kt)**

GAS/SUBSOURCE	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
<b>2.G.3 Other product manufacture and use: N<sub>2</sub>O (kt)</b>										
N <sub>2</sub> O from product uses (use of N <sub>2</sub> O for anaesthesia, aerosol cans and explosives)	2.62	2.49	3.31	2.66	2.02	1.57	1.72	1.87	1.89	1.74

#### 4.8.4 Source-specific QA/QC and verification

This source category is covered by the general QA/QC procedures. Where information is available SF<sub>6</sub> data for refilling have been checked with data reported to the national EPER/E-PRTR registry.

For N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from anaesthesia and aerosol cans, emission factors and emissions are also shared with the relevant industrial associations.

Other relevant uses of SF<sub>6</sub>, as listed in the IPCC Guidelines, have been investigated to study the occurrence at national level. Some of these applications could be excluded, such as car tyres, sound proof windows and shoes soles also due to manufacturing additional costs. With regard to the other potential sources of emissions, such as SF<sub>6</sub> emissions from AWACs, in 2014 the Italian Air Force has been contacted in order to investigate the presence of such aircraft. The Italian Air Force answered that such kind of aircraft is a NATO aircraft and according to the Decision 3/CP.3 of the Kyoto Protocol, emissions resulting from multilateral operations pursuant to the Charter of the United Nations shall not be included in national total.

#### 4.8.5 Source-specific recalculation

No recalculation has occurred.

#### 4.8.6 Source-specific planned improvements

A revision of the article 16 of the Decree of the President of the Republic 27 January 2012, n. 43 has been adopted due to the enter into force of the F-Gases Regulation n. 517/2014 (EU, 2014), including in its scope also electrical equipment, which will improve the control and monitoring system of the appliances. Raw data from the National F-gases Register have been downloaded and a first picture of involved quantities of SF<sub>6</sub> sold and added in electrical switchgear for the year 2020 are reported in Table 4.76.

**Table 4.76 – SF<sub>6</sub> data from National F-gases Register**

Quantities of SF <sub>6</sub> (kg)	
Sales of gas	Year 2020
Total SF <sub>6</sub> sold	110,558.4
Reclaimed	12,084.0
Virgin	98,474.4
<b>Installation of electrical switchgear</b>	<b>14,571.0</b>
Added	14,440.0
Recycled	154.2
Reclaimed	672.7
Virgin	13,613.2
Recovered	131.0
<b>Maintenance of electrical switchgear</b>	<b>35,417.4</b>
Added	22,382.8
Recycled	943.7
Reclaimed	10,713.2
Virgin	10,726.0
Recovered	13,034.6
<b>Repair of electrical switchgear</b>	<b>3,395.9</b>
Added	1,670.3
Recycled	215.9
Reclaimed	210.4
Virgin	1,244.0
Recovered	1,725.6
<b>Dismantling of electrical switchgear</b>	<b>15,416.1</b>
Recovered	15,416.1

## 4.9 Other production (2H)

### 4.9.1 Source category description

Only indirect gases and SO<sub>2</sub> emissions occur from these sources.

In this sector, non-energy emissions from pulp and paper as well as food and drink production, especially wine and bread, are reported. CO<sub>2</sub> from food and drink production (e.g. CO<sub>2</sub> added to water or beverages) can be of biogenic or non-biogenic origin but only information on CO<sub>2</sub> emissions of non-biogenic origin should be reported in the CRF.

According to the information provided by industrial associations, CO<sub>2</sub> emissions do not occur, but only NMVOC emissions originate from these activities.

CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from food and beverages do not occur since they originated from sources of carbon that are part of a closed cycle.

As regards the pulp and paper production, NO<sub>x</sub> and NMVOC emissions as well as SO<sub>2</sub> are estimated. NO<sub>x</sub> and SO<sub>2</sub> emissions have been referred to the paper and pulp production from acid sulphite and neutral sulphite semichemical processes up to 2009, activity data and emissions were provided by the two Italian production plants: in 2008 the bleached sulphite pulp production has stopped while in 2009 the neutral sulphite semi-

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chemical pulp process has closed (reconversion of the plant is currently under negotiation). NMVOC emissions are related to chipboard production and have been estimated and reported.

## 5 AGRICULTURE [CRF sector 3]

### 5.1 Sector overview

In this chapter information on the estimation of greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions from the Agriculture sector, as reported under the IPCC Category 3 in the Common Reporting Format (CRF), is given. Emissions from enteric fermentation (3A), manure management (3B), rice cultivation (3C), agriculture soils (3D), field burning of agriculture residues (3F), liming (3G), urea application (3H) and other carbon-containing fertilizers (3I) are included in this sector. Methane (CH<sub>4</sub>), nitrous oxide (N<sub>2</sub>O) and carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) emissions are estimated and reported. Savanna areas (3E) are not present in Italy. Emissions from other sources (3J) do not occur. Also, F-gas emissions do not occur.

To provide update information on the characteristics of the agriculture sector in Italy, figures from the latest available Agricultural Census (2010) are reported. According to ISTAT (ISTAT, 2008[a], 2012), in Italy there are 1.6 million of farms with a total Utilized Agricultural Area (UAA) of 12.9 million hectares, +0.9% more than the total a Utilized Agricultural Area (UAA) pointed out from Farm Structure Survey (FSS) 2007. Comparing the data from the last four censuses (see box below), it can be noted as the number of farms and the agricultural area have decreased; in particular, between 2000 and 2010, the reduction of farms is equal to 32% (775,390 units). At national level, the average size of farms varied from 5.5 hectares in 2000 to 7.9 hectares in 2010. This trend is in line with the average size of farms increment from 7.4 hectares (in 2005) to 7.6 hectares (in 2007) observed by FSS. However, more than 50% of farms have an area of less than 2 hectares of UAA. The distribution of farms by type confirms a typical family conduction system, which characterized the Italian agriculture system. About 1.5 million farms (95.4% of the total agricultural holdings with UAA) are under direct farmers conduction. These farms hold about 11 million hectares of UAA (82.8% of total)<sup>8</sup> (EUROSTAT, 2007[a], [b], 2012; ISTAT, 2008[a]).

CREA<sup>9</sup> annually update figures of the agriculture sector such as added value, employment, productivity, are available (CREA, 2020).

*Farms characteristics from Agricultural Censuses*

Farms characteristics	1982	1990	2000	2010
Number of farms	3,133,118	2,848,136	2,396,274	1,620,884
Utilized agricultural area - hectares	15,832,613	15,025,954	13,181,859	12,856,048
Total area of farms - hectares	22,397,833	21,628,355	18,766,895	17,081,099
Average size of farms	5.1	5.3	5.5	7.9

On the basis of the 2013 FSS (ISTAT, 2015), the number of farms and the utilized agricultural area decreased by 9.5% and 3.3% respectively, compared to the figure recorded in the last agricultural census. Based on the 2016 FSS (ISTAT, 2018), these percentages become equal to 29.4% and 2.0% respectively. Therefore, the average size of farms increases from 7.9 to 8.5 hectares (according to the 2013 FSS) and 11.0 hectares (according to the 2016 FSS).

In 2013 the number of organic farms exceeded 47 thousand units (equivalent to 3.2% of the total farms and 5.8% of the total UAA), an increase of 4.7%, compared to the 2010 Census. In 2016 the number of organic farms become 132 thousand units and, therefore, it has almost tripled compared to the the 2010 Census. The utilized agricultural area, which corresponds to 1,555,522 hectares in 2016, has increased by 24% in the same period.

#### 5.1.1 Emission trends

##### *Emission trends per gas*

In 2019, 7.1% of the Italian GHG emissions, excluding emissions and removals from LULUCF, (6.9% in 1990) originated from the agriculture sector, which is the third source of emissions, after the energy and IPPU sector which accounts for 80.5% and 8.1%, respectively. For the agriculture sector, the trend of GHGs from 1990 to 2019 shows a decrease of 17.3% due to the reduction of the activity data, such as the number of animals, the cultivated surface/crop production, the amount of synthetic nitrogen fertilisers applied, and the

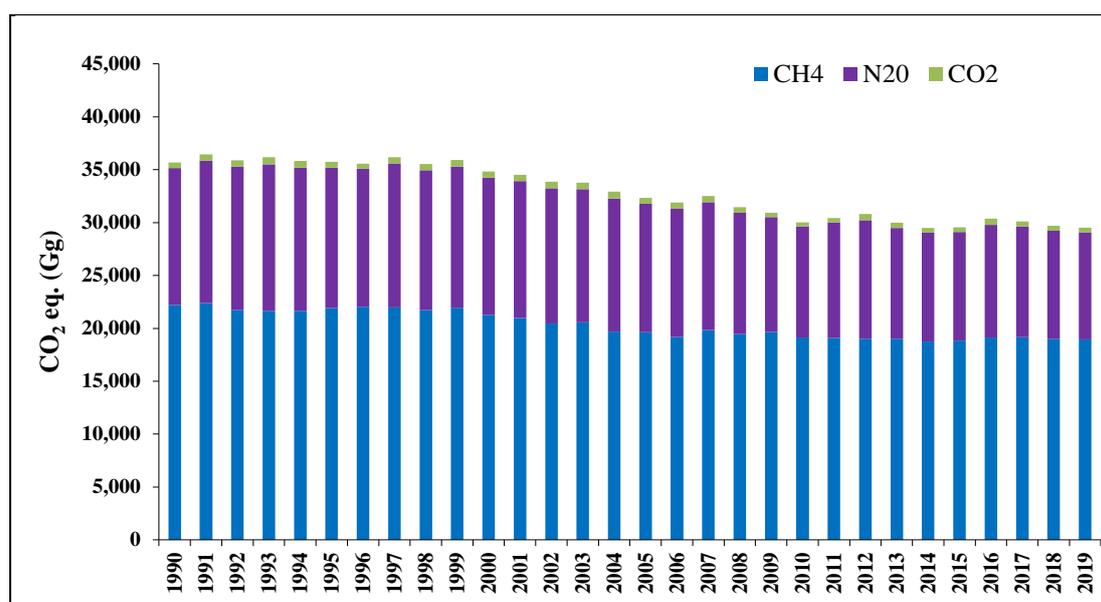
<sup>8</sup> Agricultural Census data are available at the link <http://dati-censimentoagricoltura.istat.it/>

<sup>9</sup> Council for agricultural research and analysis of the agrarian economy <https://www.crea.gov.it/en/about-crea>

changes in manure management systems (see Figure 5.1). In 2019, CH<sub>4</sub>, N<sub>2</sub>O and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions account for 64.3%, 34.3% and 1.5%, respectively. In the period 1990-2019, CH<sub>4</sub>, N<sub>2</sub>O and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions have decreased by 14.7%, 21.8% and 15.7%, respectively (see Table 5.1). In 2019, the agriculture sector has been the first source for CH<sub>4</sub> sharing 44.2% of national CH<sub>4</sub> levels and for N<sub>2</sub>O accounting for 58.7% of national N<sub>2</sub>O emissions. As for CO<sub>2</sub>, the agriculture sector represents 0.1% of national CO<sub>2</sub> emissions.

**Table 5.1 GHG emissions and trend from 1990 to 2019 for the agriculture sector (Gg CO<sub>2</sub> eq.)**

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
<b>CH<sub>4</sub></b>	22,231	21,929	21,290	19,631	19,137	19,118	19,029	19,031	18,743	18,849	19,129	19,174	19,015	18,970
<b>N<sub>2</sub>O</b>	12,931	13,255	12,968	12,140	10,502	10,897	11,201	10,468	10,300	10,256	10,672	10,479	10,228	10,117
<b>CO<sub>2</sub></b>	510	567	571	564	381	404	592	481	444	458	560	456	442	430
<b>Total</b>	<b>35,672</b>	<b>35,751</b>	<b>34,829</b>	<b>32,335</b>	<b>30,020</b>	<b>30,419</b>	<b>30,823</b>	<b>29,980</b>	<b>29,487</b>	<b>29,563</b>	<b>30,360</b>	<b>30,109</b>	<b>29,686</b>	<b>29,517</b>



**Figure 5.1 Trend of GHG emissions for the agriculture sector from 1990 to 2019 (Gg CO<sub>2</sub> eq.)**

#### *Emission trends per sector*

Total GHG emissions and trends by subcategory from 1990 to 2019 are shown in Table 5.2 (expressed in Gg. CO<sub>2</sub> eq.). CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from enteric fermentation (3A) and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from direct managed soils (3D) are the most relevant categories. In 2019, their individual share in national GHG emissions excluding LULUCF was 3.2% and 1.9%, respectively.

**Table 5.2 Total GHG emissions from 1990 to 2019 for the agriculture sector (Gg CO<sub>2</sub> eq.)**

Year	GHG emissions (Gg CO <sub>2</sub> eq.) by sub category						TOTAL
	3A	3B	3C	3D	3F	3G-H-I	
<b>1990</b>	15,497	7,660	1,876	10,111	19	510	<b>35,672.2</b>
<b>1995</b>	15,319	7,294	1,989	10,563	18	567	<b>35,751.0</b>
<b>2000</b>	15,048	7,172	1,656	10,363	18	571	<b>34,828.9</b>
<b>2005</b>	13,179	7,083	1,752	9,737	20	564	<b>32,334.9</b>
<b>2010</b>	12,761	6,859	1,822	8,178	19	381	<b>30,020.1</b>
<b>2011</b>	12,760	6,816	1,805	8,615	19	404	<b>30,419.0</b>
<b>2012</b>	12,809	6,641	1,789	8,972	20	592	<b>30,822.9</b>
<b>2013</b>	12,962	6,555	1,661	8,301	19	481	<b>29,979.7</b>
<b>2014</b>	12,809	6,420	1,613	8,182	19	444	<b>29,486.9</b>
<b>2015</b>	12,912	6,379	1,668	8,125	20	458	<b>29,562.7</b>
<b>2016</b>	13,188	6,360	1,715	8,517	21	560	<b>30,360.3</b>
<b>2017</b>	13,301	6,362	1,646	8,325	19	456	<b>30,108.7</b>
<b>2018</b>	13,257	6,259	1,601	8,107	19	442	<b>29,685.6</b>

Year	GHG emissions (Gg CO <sub>2</sub> eq.) by sub category						TOTAL
	3A	3B	3C	3D	3F	3G-H-I	
2019	13,241	6,214	1,583	8,031	19	430	29,517.3

### 5.1.2 Key categories

In 2019, CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from enteric fermentation and manure management, direct N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from manure management, direct and indirect N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from managed soils were ranked among the level key sources with the Approach 2, including the uncertainty (L2). CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from enteric fermentation were ranked among the trend key sources with Approach 2, including the uncertainty (T2). Including LULUCF sector in the analysis, CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from enteric fermentation and direct N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from managed soils are key sources at trend assessment with Approach 2 (T2). In Table 5.3, key and non-key categories from the agriculture sector are shown, with a level and/or trend assessment (*IPCC Approach 1 and Approach 2*), excluding and including the LULUCF sector in the analysis.

**Table 5.3 Key-sources identification in the agriculture sector with the IPCC Approach 1 and Approach 2 for 2019**

GHG source categories			excluding LULUCF	including LULUCF
3A	CH <sub>4</sub>	Emissions from enteric fermentation	Key (L, T)	Key (L, T)
3B	CH <sub>4</sub>	Emissions from manure management	Key (L)	Key (L)
3Ba	N <sub>2</sub> O	Direct emissions from manure management	Key (L)	Key (L)
3Bb	N <sub>2</sub> O	Indirect emissions from manure management	Non-key	Non-key
3C	CH <sub>4</sub>	Rice cultivation	Key (L1)	Key (L1)
3Da	N <sub>2</sub> O	Direct emissions from managed soils	Key (L)	Key (L, T2)
3Db	N <sub>2</sub> O	Indirect emissions from managed soils	Key (L)	Key (L)
3F	CH <sub>4</sub>	Emissions from field burning of agriculture residues	Non-key	Non-key
3F	N <sub>2</sub> O	Emissions from field burning of agriculture residues	Non-key	Non-key
3G	CO <sub>2</sub>	Liming	Non-key	Non-key
3H	CO <sub>2</sub>	Urea application	Non-key	Non-key
3I	CO <sub>2</sub>	Other carbon-containing fertilizers	Non-key	Non-key

### 5.1.3 Activities

Emission factors used for the preparation of the national inventory reflect the characteristics of the Italian agriculture sector. Information from national research studies is considered. Activity data are mainly collected from the National Institute of Statistics (ISTAT, *Istituto Nazionale di Statistica*). Every year, national and international references, and personal communications used for the preparation of the agriculture inventory are archived in the *National References Database*.

Improvements for the Agriculture sector are described in the Italian Quality Assurance/Quality Control plan (ISPRA, several years [a]). Moreover, an internal report describes the procedure for preparing the agriculture UNFCCC/CLRTAP national emission inventory and projections (Di Cristofaro, several years).

Results from different research projects have improved the quality of the agriculture national inventory (MeditAIRaneo project and Convention signed between ISPRA and the Ministry for the Environment, Land and Sea; CRPA, 2006[a], CRPA, 2006[b], CRPA, 2018). Furthermore, recommendations and outcomes from the UNFCCC inventory review processes have been considered and implemented. Methodologies for the preparation of agriculture national inventory under the Convention on Long-Range Transboundary Air Pollution (CLRTAP) and the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) are consistent. Synergies among international conventions and European directives while preparing the agriculture inventory are implemented.

The national agriculture UNFCCC/CLRTAP emission inventory is used, every 4 years (from 2021; previously it was every 5 years), to prepare a more disaggregated inventory by region and province as requested by CLRTAP (Córdoba *et al.*, 2008[b]). A database with the time series for all sectors and pollutants is available (ISPRA, 2018; ISPRA, 2009; ISPRA, several years [b]). The methods and emission factors applied for GHG inventory are also used for emission scenarios and projections (MATTM, 2017).

### 5.1.4 Agricultural statistics

Every year, the Italian National Statistical System (SISTAN<sup>10</sup>) revises the National Statistical Plan that covers three years and includes, among others, the system of agricultural statistics. In this framework, the Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing Quality Panel has been established under the coordination of the Agriculture service of ISTAT where the producers and key users of agricultural statistics (mainly public institutions) meet each other every year to monitor and improve national statistics. ISTAT plays the major role in the agricultural sector collecting comprehensive data through different surveys (Greco and Martino, 2001):

- Structural surveys (Farm Structure Survey, survey on economic results of the farm, survey on the production inputs);
- Conjunctural surveys<sup>11</sup> (survey on the cultivation area and relative production, livestock number, milk production, slaughter, fertilizers, etc.);
- General Agricultural Census<sup>12</sup>, carried out every 10 years (1990, 2000, 2010).

Detailed information on the agriculture sector is found every two/three years in the Farm Structure Survey, FSS<sup>13</sup> (ISTAT, 2018; ISTAT, 2015; ISTAT, 2008[a]; ISTAT, 2007[a]; ISTAT, 2006[a]). ISTAT has provided quality reports of the FSS 2005 and FSS 2007 (ISTAT, 2008[b]; ISTAT, 2007[d]) and a report on the assessment of the quality of the agricultural census data (ISTAT, 2013). The main agricultural statistics used for the agriculture emission inventory are available on-line. Detailed information is provided in Table 5.4.

**Table 5.4 Main activity data sources used for the Agriculture emission inventory**

Agricultural statistics	Time series	Web site
Livestock number	Table 5.7; 5.8; 5.12; 5.15	<a href="http://dati.istat.it/">http://dati.istat.it/</a>
Milk production	Table 5.7	<a href="http://dati.istat.it/">http://dati.istat.it/</a>
Fertilizers	Table 5.38; 5.45	<a href="http://dati.istat.it/">http://dati.istat.it/</a>
Crops production/surface	Table 5.48; Tables A.7.19-20-23	<a href="http://dati.istat.it/">http://dati.istat.it/</a>

Differences on some animal populations data are found comparing national statistics and FAOSTAT<sup>14</sup> data. FAO publishes figures of the  $x-1$  year on 1<sup>st</sup> January of the  $x$  year. Each year ISPRA verifies the official statistics directly contacting the experts responsible for each agricultural survey (number of animals, agricultural surface/production, fertilizers, etc). Agricultural statistics reported by ISTAT are also those published in the European statistics database<sup>15</sup> (EUROSTAT). Whenever outliers are identified, these are shown to ISTAT and category associations. Slight differences in the livestock number (cattle and other swine) are found comparing conjunctural surveys (used for emissions estimation) and the Agricultural census for the year 2010, while differences are more relevant<sup>16</sup> (ISTAT, 2012) for the other categories. The verification of statistics is part of the implemented QA/QC procedures. The livestock data represents the number of animals present on the farm at any given time of the year (conventionally 1st of June or 1st of December). Therefore, livestock figures do not represent the number of animals produced annually; for animal populations that are alive for only part of a complete year, the annual average population is estimated on the basis of “places” instead of the days of life and the number of cycles.

## 5.2 Enteric fermentation (3A)

### 5.2.1 Source category description

Methane is produced as a by-product of enteric fermentation, which is a digestive process where carbohydrates are degraded by microorganisms into simple molecules.

Methane emissions from enteric fermentation are a key category, in terms of level and trend assessment, for Approach 1 and Approach 2. All livestock categories have been estimated except camels and llamas, which are not present in Italy. Methane emissions from poultry and fur animals are not applicable. Emissions from

<sup>10</sup> SISTAN, *Sistema Statistico Nazionale* (<http://www.sistan.it/>)

<sup>11</sup> <http://agri.istat.it/>

<sup>12</sup> <http://censagr.istat.it/>; <http://dati-censimentoagricoltura.istat.it/>

<sup>13</sup> Indagine sulla struttura e produzione delle aziende agricole (SPA), survey carried out every two years in agricultural farms.

<sup>14</sup> FAOSTAT <http://www.fao.org/faostat/en/#home>

<sup>15</sup> <http://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/data/database>

<sup>16</sup> The number of heads of conjunctural surveys of the sows, sheep, goats, mules and asses, broilers, laying hens categories is on average 15% higher than the census, whereas for other poultry the difference is 30% and for horses and rabbits is more than double.

rabbits, mules and asses, goats, buffalo and horses are estimated and included in “Other livestock” as shown in the CRF tables.

In 2019, CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from this category were 529.63 Gg which represents 69.8% of CH<sub>4</sub> emissions for the agriculture sector (69.7% in 1990) and 30.8% for national CH<sub>4</sub> emissions excluding LULUCF (31.4% in 1990). Methane emissions from this source consist mainly of cattle emissions: dairy cattle (213.98 Gg) and non-dairy cattle (208.15 Gg). These two sub-categories represented 40.4% (47.4% in 1990) and 39.3% (37.6% in 1990) of total enteric fermentation emissions, respectively.

### 5.2.2 Methodological issues

Methane emissions from enteric fermentation are estimated by defining an emission factor for each livestock category, which is multiplied by the population of the same category. Data for each livestock category are collected from ISTAT (several years [a], [b], [c], [f], [g]; ISTAT, 1991; 2007[a], [b]). Livestock categories, provided by ISTAT, are classified according to the type of production, slaughter or breeding, and the age of animals. In Table 5.5, livestock categories and source of information are provided. Parameters for the livestock categories are shown in Table 5.31. In order to have a consistent time series, it was necessary to estimate the number of animals for some categories. The estimation is based on information available from other official sources such as FAO and UNAITALIA (FAO, several years; UNAITALIA, several years).

**Table 5.5 Activity data for the different livestock categories**

Livestock category	Source
Cattle	ISTAT
Buffalo	ISTAT
Sheep	ISTAT
Goats	ISTAT
Horses	ISTAT/FAO(a)
Mules and asses	ISTAT/FAO(a)
Swine	ISTAT
Poultry	ISTAT/UNAITALIA(b)
Rabbits	ISTAT(c)

(a) Reconstruction of a consistent time series; (b) For 1990 data from the census and reconstruction for broilers, hens and other poultry based on meat production (UNAITALIA, several years); (c) For 1990 data from the census and reconstruction based on a production index (ISTAT, 2007[b]; ISTAT, several years [k])

### Dairy cattle

Methane emissions from enteric fermentation for dairy cattle are estimated using a Tier 2 approach, following the 2006 IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006). Feeding characteristics are described in a national publication (CRPA, 2004[a]) and have been discussed in a specific working group in the framework of the MeditAIRaneo project (CRPA, 2006[a]; CRPA, 2005). Parameters used for the calculation of the emission factor are shown in Table 5.6.

**Table 5.6 Parameters for the calculation of dairy cattle emission factors from enteric fermentation**

Parameter	Value	Reference	IPCC 2006(*)
Average weight (kg)	602.7	CRPA, 2006[a]	600
Coefficient NE <sub>m</sub> (lactating cows)	0.386	NRC, 2001; IPCC, 2006	0.386
Pasture (%)	5	CRPA, 2006[a]; ISTAT, 2003	0(**)
Weight gain (kg day <sup>-1</sup> )	0.051	CRPA, 2006[a]; CRPA, 2004[b]	0
Milk fat content (%)	3.59-3.72	ISTAT, several years[a], [b], [d], [e], [h]	
Hours of work per day	0	CRPA, 2006[a]	0
Portion of cows giving birth	0.97-0.91	AIA, several years[a]	0.9
Milk production (kg head <sup>-1</sup> day <sup>-1</sup> )	11.5-22.9	CRPA, 2006[a]; OSSLATTE/ISMEA, 2003; ISTAT, several years[a], [b], [c], [d], [e], [f], [h]; OSSLATTE, 2001	16.4
Digestibility of feed (%)	68.63	CRPA, 2006[a]; CRPA, 2005; IPCC, 2006	65
Methane conversion factor (%)	5.92	CRPA, 2006[a]; IPCC, 2006	6.5
Energy content of methane (MJ/kg methane)	55.65	IPCC, 2006	55.65

(\*) Data for estimating tier 1 enteric fermentation CH<sub>4</sub> emission factors for dairy cows (Western Europe); (\*\*) Stall fed (feeding situation)

The coefficient for calculating net energy for maintenance (NE<sub>m</sub>) for dairy cattle is the default value of the 2006 IPCC Guidelines.

The national statistics on milk production were analysed. Milk used for dairy production and milk used for calf feeding contributes to total milk production. The latter was estimated on national and ISTAT publications

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(ISTAT, several years[h]). For the calculation of milk production ( $\text{kg head}^{-1} \text{d}^{-1}$ ), total production is divided by the number of animals and by 365 days, as suggested by the IPCC (IPCC, 2006). Therefore, lactating and non-lactating periods are included in the estimation of the  $\text{CH}_4$  dairy cattle EF (CRPA, 2006[a]).

Following a recommendation raised during 2018 UNFCCC review, additional information on the share of grazing animals is reported. The dairy cattle, reared in the mountain areas (above the 600 meters of altitude) were assigned to pasture for three months a year (MeditAIRaneo project - CRPA, 2006[a]); the percentage of abovementioned animals is equal to 5%, in line with 2010 General Agricultural Census data.

In Table 5.7, the time series of the dairy cattle population, fat content in milk, portion of cows giving birth and milk production are shown. Further information on parameters used for dairy cattle estimations is reported in Annex 7.1.

According to the 2019 IPCC Refinement (IPCC, 2019), DE e Ym parameters for dairy cows have been estimated considering average annual milk production per cow and per production level (low "<5000 kg/head/year", medium "5000-8500 kg/head/year" and high ">8500 kg/head/year") and information on animal diets. On the basis of data from the Italian Livestock Breeders' Association (AIA) on average annual milk production and the number of dairy cows in production, by region and breed, the distribution of animals was calculated according to the three productivity levels identified by the 2019 IPCC Refinement, for the years 2004-2019. The AIA carries out milk productivity checks on behalf of the Ministry of Agriculture and each year the sample of animals checked is about 50% of the number of animals reared. The difference in cow numbers between the AIA total and the ISTAT total (used for emission estimates) was attributed to the low production level. The DE values assigned to the three production levels (low, medium, high) are 62, 65 and 70.11% of gross energy intake respectively and were identified in collaboration with the CRPA (Research Centre on Animal Production) dairy cow feeding experts. The value 62 is the minimum value of the range indicated in Table 10.12 for low producing cows of the 2019 IPCC Refinement (Chapter 10 of the Volume 4). The value 65 is lower than the average value of the range indicated in Table 10.12 for medium producing cows. The value 70.11 for high-producing cows is a weighted average of two values: the first is 65 (corresponding to diets with  $\text{DE} \geq 70$  and  $\text{NDF} \geq 35$ ) and was attributed to 27% of the high-producing cows fed without silage fodder; the second is 72 (corresponding to diets with  $\text{DE} \geq 70$  and  $\text{NDF} \leq 35$ ) and was attributed to 73% (=100-27%) of the high-producing cows fed silage fodder. With reference to the 27% of cows, this value includes cows whose milk is intended for the production of Parmigiano Reggiano (17% of total cows), and cows fed with good quality dry and green fodder (e.g. for the production of Trentingrana PDO (Protected Designation of Origin), Latte Fieno STG (Traditional Speciality Guaranteed) and other mountain cheeses; 10% of total cows). In support of the choices made for high productivity values, mention is made of a study published in 2020 (Gislon et al, 2020) carried out on eight Italian Friesian cows in multiparous lactation, with high productivity, using a  $4 \times 4$  replicated Latin square pattern. The experimental design of the square involves all cows receiving all diets (with adaptation periods between each), so 2 groups of 4 cows that rotated 4 times on 4 diets have been considered. The number of observations for each diet is 32. According to CRPA experts, the cow effect is nullified because all of them received all diets and, therefore, the results obtained are irrefutable and highly representative. Four diets, based on the following forages (expressed in % of dry matter of forages, DM, and in the neutral detergent fiber content, NDF, expressed as % of dry matter intake), were tested: corn silage (CS, 49.3; 32.8 NDF), alfalfa silage (AS, 26.8; 27.1 NDF), wheat silage (WS, 20.0; 33.7 NDF), and a typical hay-based Parmigiano Reggiano cheese production diet (PR, 25.3 of both alfalfa and Italian ryegrass hay; 36.7 NDF). The lowest DM digestibility was observed for the PR diet (64.5%) and the highest for the CS diet (73.3%); AS and WS diets showed intermediate values (71.4 and 70.3% respectively). PR diet is associated with diets with  $\text{DE} \geq 70$  and  $\text{NDF} \geq 35$  in Table 10.12 of the 2019 IPCC Refinement and the other three diets are associated with diets with  $\text{DE} \geq 70$  and  $\text{NDF} \leq 35$  in the same table. For the year 2019, the percentages of dairy cows according to the three productivity levels are 77.2%, 12.3% and 10.5%. The digestibility values associated with these productivity levels are, as previously mentioned, 70.11%, 65% and 62% respectively. With these data, the average digestibility value of the diets consumed by dairy cows was estimated in 68.6%. The weighted average value of Ym for the year 2019 is 5.9% of gross energy intake. This value was estimated from the percentage distribution of dairy cows according to the three productivity levels and using the default factors given in Table 10.12 of the 2019 IPCC Refinement. These values are: 6.5 for low producing cows; 6.3 for medium producing cows; 6.0 and 5.7 for high producing cows. From the last two values, a weighted average value of 5.92 was estimated for the year 2019, with the distribution of cows according to diet type, shown above: 27% of high-productivity cows are associated with diets with  $\text{DE} \geq 70$  and  $\text{NDF} \geq 35$  (Ym 6.0); 73% of high-productivity cows are associated with diets with  $\text{DE} \geq 70$  and  $\text{NDF} \leq 35$  (Ym 5.7).

In Table 5.14, the dairy cattle emission factors (EF) are reported. In 2019, the CH<sub>4</sub> dairy cattle EF was 130.2 kg CH<sub>4</sub> head<sup>-1</sup> year<sup>-1</sup> with an average milk production of 8,350 kg head<sup>-1</sup> year<sup>-1</sup> (22.9 kg head<sup>-1</sup> day<sup>-1</sup>). The IPCC default EF is 117 kg CH<sub>4</sub> head<sup>-1</sup> year<sup>-1</sup> with a milk production of 6,000 kg head<sup>-1</sup> year<sup>-1</sup> (IPCC, 2006).

**Table 5.7 Parameters used for the estimation of the CH<sub>4</sub> emission factor for dairy cattle**

Year	Dairy cattle (head)	Fat content in milk (%)	Portion of cows giving birth	Milk production yield (kg head <sup>-1</sup> d <sup>-1</sup> )
1990	2,641,755	3.59	0.97	11.5
1995	2,079,783	3.64	0.95	14.8
2000	2,065,000	3.65	0.93	15.1
2005	1,842,004	3.71	0.91	17.2
2010	1,746,140	3.72	0.90	18.8
2011	1,754,981	3.73	0.90	18.5
2012	1,857,004	3.75	0.89	17.7
2013	1,862,127	3.78	0.89	17.5
2014	1,830,990	3.77	0.90	18.7
2015	1,826,484	3.76	0.89	19.1
2016	1,821,764	3.79	0.90	19.7
2017	1,791,120	3.81	0.91	20.7
2018	1,693,332	3.71	0.91	22.2
2019	1,643,117	3.72	0.91	22.9

### *Non-dairy cattle*

For non-dairy cattle, CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from enteric fermentation are estimated with a Tier 2 approach of the 2006 IPCC Guidelines. The estimation of the EF uses country-specific data, disaggregated livestock categories (see Table 5.8), and it is based on dry matter intake (kg head<sup>-1</sup> day<sup>-1</sup>) calculated as percentage of live weight (CRPA, 2000; INRA, 1988; NRC, 1984; NRC, 1988; Borgioli, 1981; Holter and Young, 1992; Sauvant, 1995). Dry matter intake is converted into gross energy (MJ head<sup>-1</sup> day<sup>-1</sup>) using 18.45 MJ/kg dry matter conversion factor (IPCC, 2006). Emission factors for each category are calculated with equation 10.21 from IPCC (IPCC, 2006, volume 4, chapter 10).

In Table 5.9, parameters used for the estimation of non-dairy cattle EF are shown. Average weights have been assessed with information from the Nitrogen Balance Inter-regional Project (CRPA, 2006[a]; Regione Emilia Romagna, 2004). For reporting purposes, some animal categories are aggregated, such as the non-dairy cattle and the swine categories.

The non-dairy cattle category includes different sub-categories as shown in Table 5.8; consequently, the gross energy intake, CH<sub>4</sub> conversion factor and EFs for this category are calculated as a weighted average.

**Table 5.8 Non-dairy cattle population (heads) classified by type of production and age**

Year	<1 year		1-2 years males		1-2 years females		>2 years males	>2 years females			Total
	for slaughter	others	breeding	for slaughter	breeding	for slaughter	all	breeding	for slaughter	others	
1990	300,000	2,127,959	72,461	708,329	749,111	186,060	128,958	467,216	57,654	312,649	5,110,397
1995	458,936	1,796,034	27,871	783,300	684,881	154,548	155,116	430,564	40,198	657,856	5,189,304
2000	408,000	1,783,000	27,521	641,479	736,000	160,000	93,000	500,000	51,000	588,000	4,988,000
2005	500,049	1,418,545	26,424	615,921	588,660	181,971	102,081	466,566	37,971	471,733	4,409,921
2010	507,452	1,228,696	23,913	557,386	597,733	212,983	70,284	445,370	70,411	372,089	4,086,317
2011	509,904	1,272,903	23,461	546,847	600,769	222,859	70,018	433,336	72,430	390,017	4,142,544
2012	441,975	1,081,177	21,231	494,860	671,688	177,308	76,035	485,930	54,694	380,708	3,885,606
2013	483,556	1,125,354	21,385	498,456	674,431	180,269	88,765	508,504	72,514	331,311	3,984,545
2014	495,477	1,122,919	19,647	457,950	637,686	200,131	75,649	531,358	62,128	322,135	3,925,080
2015	492,126	1,141,545	19,966	465,391	638,566	205,966	82,304	524,745	64,570	319,685	3,954,864
2016	492,461	1,200,405	20,786	484,504	680,427	212,205	83,543	566,277	67,064	300,331	4,108,003
2017	485,250	1,206,116	21,294	496,344	704,296	231,499	100,101	543,379	79,508	290,486	4,158,273
2018	468,628	1,197,152	22,385	521,772	707,316	238,496	102,171	565,573	91,878	314,501	4,229,872
2019	461,877	1,241,787	22,615	527,137	723,737	256,341	99,095	546,867	99,932	352,442	4,331,830

**Table 5.9 Main parameters used for non-dairy cattle CH<sub>4</sub> emission factor estimations**

Parameters	<1 year	1-2 years males		1-2 years females		>2 years males	>2 years females		Others
	Others (*)	breeding	for slaughter	breeding	for slaughter	all	breeding	for slaughter	
Average weight (kg)	236	557	557	405	444	700	540	540	557
Percentage weight ingested	2.1	1.9	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.4	2.1	2.1	1.9
Dry matter intake (kg head <sup>-1</sup> day <sup>-1</sup> )	4.8	10.7	11.6	8.5	9.3	17.1	11.5	11.5	10.6
Gross Energy (MJ head <sup>-1</sup> day <sup>-1</sup> )	89.4	197.3	214.8	156.9	171.2	315.5	212.2	212.2	195.3
CH <sub>4</sub> conversion (%)	4	4.5	4	6	4	6	6	6	6

(\*) It has been considered that calves for slaughter of <1 year do not emit CH<sub>4</sub> emissions, as they are milk fed. Therefore, the average weight for the category “others” of <1 year considers fattening male cattle, fattening heifer and heifer for replacement.

EFs reflect the national characteristics of Italian breeding as well as the age classification of animals and dry matter intake.

The Nitrogen Balance Inter-regional Project (CRPA, 2006[a]) provided data to estimate the CH<sub>4</sub> conversion factors. The project was carried out in cooperation with the Italian regions having the highest concentration of livestock; data on breeding performance, on food consumption, on the characteristics and composition of rations were analyzed. The production of methane per head was estimated on the basis of the estimate of dry matter intake, calculated as weight percentage, by applying a conversion factor of energy intake into methane. Methane conversion factors were estimated from IPCC defaults and on the basis of ration digestibility; the ration of fattening animals is considered more digestible than the ration of replacement animals rich in fibre (CRPA, 2006[a]). Detailed information is reported in Annex 7, addressing the request of provision of additional information on the CH<sub>4</sub> conversion factors for non-dairy cattle category (Annex 7.1) raised by previous review processes.

In Table 5.14, Implied Emission Factors (IEF) for non-dairy cattle are shown. In 2019, the non dairy-cattle EF was 48.1 kg CH<sub>4</sub> head<sup>-1</sup> year<sup>-1</sup>, while the IPCC 2006 default EF is 57 kg CH<sub>4</sub> head<sup>-1</sup> year<sup>-1</sup> (IPCC, 2006). The inter-annual decrease 2005/2006 of the IEF for non-dairy cattle is related to the reduction in the number of animals for some sub-categories and an increase in the number of the ‘less than 1 year for the slaughter’ category (no emissions) (see Table 5.8). This last category (calves) has not been considered when estimating methane emissions as they are milk fed. The relevant parameters, for estimating N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from manure management, for this category, are the following:

- Average body weight: 157 kg;
- Nitrogen excretion: 14.6 kg N/head/year;
- Average milk period: 4-6 months;
- Average weight at slaughter: less than 300 kg.

As regards the share of grazing animals, the same value used for dairy cattle was assumed for the other females in the category non-dairy cattle and no grazing is assumed for the males (see paragraph *Dairy cattle*).

### Buffalo

Data collected in the framework of the MeditAIRaneo project allowed for the implementation of the 2006 IPCC Tier 2 approach for the buffalo category. Two different country-specific CH<sub>4</sub> EFs, for cow buffalo and other buffaloes, were estimated. Detailed description of the methodology is reported in C ndor *et al.* (C ndor *et al.*, 2008[a]). In 2019, the CH<sub>4</sub> EFs were 86.7 and 61.8 kg CH<sub>4</sub> head<sup>-1</sup> year<sup>-1</sup> for cow buffaloes and other buffaloes respectively. The CRF IEF is an average value for the two categories (76.2 kg CH<sub>4</sub> head<sup>-1</sup> year<sup>-1</sup>). Parameters used for the Tier 2 approach are shown in Table 5.10 and 5.11.

**Table 5.10 Parameters for the calculation of CH<sub>4</sub> cow buffalo emission factors from enteric fermentation**

Parameters	Value	Reference
Average body weight (kg)	630	Infascelli, 2003; Consorzio per la tutela del formaggio mozzarella di bufala campana, 2002
Coefficient NE <sub>m</sub> (lactating cows)	0.386	IPCC, 2006

Pasture (%)	2.90	ISTAT, 2003; Zicarelli, 2001; De Rosa and Di Francia, 2006
Weight gain (kg day <sup>-1</sup> )	0.055	Infascelli, 2003; Consorzio per la tutela del formaggio mozzarella di bufala campana, 2002
Milk fat content (%)	7.73-6.93	ISTAT, several years [a], [b], [d], [e], [h]
Hours of work per day	0	De Rosa and Di Francia, 2006
Proportion of calving cows	0.89-0.84	Barile, 2005; De Rosa and Trabalzi, 2004
Milk production (kg head <sup>-1</sup> day <sup>-1</sup> )	1.91-3.15	OSSLATTE/ISMEA, 2003; OSSLATTE, 2001; ISTAT, several years [a], [b], [c] [d], [e], [f], [h]
Digestibility of feed (%)	65	Infascelli, 2003; Masucci <i>et al.</i> , 1997, 1999
Methane conversion factor (%)	6.5	CRPA, 2006[a]; IPCC, 2006
Energy content of methane (MJ/kg methane)	55.65	IPCC, 2006

The buffalo grazing is very infrequent, equal to 5%, in the provinces of Caserta and Frosinone, where according to the University of Naples experts (MeditAIRaneo project (CRPA, 2006[a]), 58% of national livestock are raised.

**Table 5.11 Parameters for the calculation of other buffalo emission factors from enteric fermentation**

Parameter	Calves (3 months-1 year)	Sub-adult buffaloes (1-3 years)
Average body weight (kg)	150	405
Dry matter intake (% of body weight head <sup>-1</sup> day <sup>-1</sup> )	3.0	2.5
Dry matter intake (kg head <sup>-1</sup> day <sup>-1</sup> )	4.5	10.1
Gross Energy (MJ head <sup>-1</sup> day <sup>-1</sup> )	82.75	186.58
CH <sub>4</sub> conversion (%)	6.5	6.5
CH <sub>4</sub> emission factor (kg head <sup>-1</sup> year <sup>-1</sup> )	26.46 (*)	79.54

(\*) original CH<sub>4</sub> emission factor was 35.28 kg CH<sub>4</sub> head<sup>-1</sup> year<sup>-1</sup>; a correction factor of 9/12 has been applied in order to consider the time between 3 months and 1 year, therefore the final emission factor was 26.46 kg CH<sub>4</sub> head<sup>-1</sup> year<sup>-1</sup>.

The coefficient for calculating net energy for maintenance (NE<sub>m</sub>) and the methane conversion factor (Y<sub>m</sub>) for buffalo are the default values of the 2006 IPCC Guidelines.

### Sheep

Methane emissions from enteric fermentation for sheep are estimated using a Tier 2 approach, following the 2006 IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006). Gross energy intake was estimated separately for three sub-categories: mature ewes, growing lambs, other mature sheep. Data of mature ewes and other sheep (which includes growing lambs and other mature sheep) are provided by ISTAT (as reported in the 5.1.4 *Agricultural statistics*). Growing lambs and other mature sheep were estimated by applying the percentages of 85% and 15% respectively to the total number of other sheep (CRPA, 2006[a]). In Table 5.12, time series of sheep population are shown.

**Table 5.12 Sheep population (heads) classified by sub-categories**

Year	Mature ewes (head)	Growing lambs (head)	Other mature sheep (head)
1990	7,492,089	1,060,089	187,075
1995	8,518,496	1,827,054	322,421
2000	8,334,000	2,341,750	413,250
2005	7,007,217	804,908	142,043
2010	7,089,123	689,259	121,634
2011	7,123,014	696,683	122,944
2012	6,296,701	611,174	107,854
2013	6,322,871	730,113	128,844
2014	6,203,164	818,428	144,428
2015	6,196,466	809,258	142,810
2016	6,315,172	824,247	145,455
2017	6,271,593	802,264	141,576
2018	6,187,969	842,511	148,678

Year	Mature ewes (head)	Growing lambs (head)	Other mature sheep (head)
2019	6,086,538	777,191	137,151

The sharp decline between 2000 and 2005 is mainly due to the spreading of Bluetongue infectious disease in 2001. In addition, the sheep number reduction along the whole time-series has been caused by the gradual erosion of profit margins in the production system of Sardinia, the Italian administrative region which holds the largest number of farms rearing sheep.

Parameters used for the calculation of the emission factor are shown in Table 5.13.

**Table 5.13 Parameters for the calculation of sheep emission factors from enteric fermentation**

Parameter	Mature ewes	Growing lambs	Other mature sheep	Reference
Average weight (kg)	51	14	59	CRPA, 2006[a]
Coefficient $NE_m$	0.217	0.236	0.217-0.250 (1)	IPCC, 2006
Pasture (%) (2)	29	31	33	Estimated data
Weight gain (kg day <sup>-1</sup> ) (3)		0.019		ARA, 2017; Agraria, 2009; AIA, several years[b]
Milk production (kg head <sup>-1</sup> day <sup>-1</sup> )	0.30-0.39			ISTAT, several years[h], [l], [b]; ISTAT, 2006[a]
Wool production (kg head <sup>-1</sup> y <sup>-1</sup> )	1.88-1.31			ISTAT, several years[l]
Portion of ewes giving birth	0.93			AIA, several years[c]
Single birth fraction (%)	70.8-74.8			AIA, several years[b]
Double birth fraction (%)	29.2-25.2			AIA, several years[b]
Digestibility of feed (%)	65	75 (4)	65	IPCC, 2006 (5)
Methane conversion factor (%)	6.5	4.5 (4)	6.5	IPCC, 2006 (5)

(1) The value increased by 15% for intact males; (2) Values estimated assuming an average of 11 months on pasture for 8 hours per day; (3) Assumptions made: sex ratio 40% males and 60% females; weight at weaning (30 days) 10 kg; weight at slaughter (90 days) 18 kg for males and 17 kg for females; (4) diets based on forage and concentrates (LAORE, 2014); (5) see Table 10.2 and 10.13 of the 2006 IPCC Guidelines.

In the CRF tables, the weighted average values of parameters reported in Table 5.13 were considered for sheep category.

Considering DE parameter, Italy uses the average default value of Table 10.2 of the 2006 IPCC Guidelines, relating to the ruminant categories and class 'pasture fed animals' and which is accompanied by a general description of the type of diets corresponding to the default values indicated.

### **Rabbits**

Methane emissions from rabbits have been estimated using a country-specific EF suggested by the CRPA. Daily dry matter intake for brood-rabbits and other rabbits are 0.13 kg day<sup>-1</sup> and 0.11 kg day<sup>-1</sup>, respectively. Besides, a value of 0.6% has been assumed as CH<sub>4</sub> conversion rate (CRPA, 2004[c]).

### **Other livestock categories**

A Tier 1 approach, with IPCC default EFs, is used to estimate CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from swine, goats, horses, mules and asses (IPCC, 2006).

In Table 5.14, EFs for all livestock categories (dairy cattle, non-dairy cattle, buffalo, swine, sheep, goats, horses, mules and asses and rabbits) are presented. In Table 5.15, time series of the number of animals are shown.

**Table 5.14 Average CH<sub>4</sub> emission factors for enteric fermentation (kg CH<sub>4</sub> head<sup>-1</sup> year<sup>-1</sup>)**

Year	Dairy cattle	Non-dairy cattle	Buffalo	Sheep	Goats	Horses	Mules and asses	Sows	Other swine	Rabbits
average CH <sub>4</sub> EF (kg CH <sub>4</sub> head <sup>-1</sup> year <sup>-1</sup> )										
1990	111.1	45.6	74.4	6.9	5.0	18.0	10.0	1.5	1.5	0.08
1995	123.6	47.4	75.8	6.7	5.0	18.0	10.0	1.5	1.5	0.08
2000	124.6	47.0	78.2	6.2	5.0	18.0	10.0	1.5	1.5	0.08
2005	121.3	46.4	84.6	7.1	5.0	18.0	10.0	1.5	1.5	0.08
2010	121.2	45.9	76.7	7.1	5.0	18.0	10.0	1.5	1.5	0.08
2011	120.1	45.6	77.8	7.0	5.0	18.0	10.0	1.5	1.5	0.08
2012	119.6	48.0	77.6	7.2	5.0	18.0	10.0	1.5	1.5	0.08
2013	118.8	47.5	76.3	7.0	5.0	18.0	10.0	1.5	1.5	0.08
2014	122.0	46.9	77.4	6.9	5.0	18.0	10.0	1.5	1.5	0.08
2015	123.3	46.9	77.2	7.0	5.0	18.0	10.0	1.5	1.5	0.08
2016	124.3	47.1	76.7	7.1	5.0	18.0	10.0	1.5	1.5	0.08
2017	126.7	47.3	77.3	7.1	5.0	18.0	10.0	1.5	1.5	0.08
2018	129.2	48.1	76.5	7.1	5.0	18.0	10.0	1.5	1.5	0.08
2019	130.2	48.1	76.2	7.2	5.0	18.0	10.0	1.5	1.5	0.08

**Table 5.15 Time series of number of animals from 1990 to 2019 (heads)**

Year	Buffalo	Sheep	Goats	Horses	Mules and asses	Sows	Other swine	Rabbits	Poultry
(heads)									
1990	94,500	8,739,253	1,258,962	287,847	83,853	650,919	7,755,602	14,893,771	173,341,562
1995	148,404	10,667,971	1,372,937	314,778	37,844	689,846	7,370,830	17,110,587	184,202,416
2000	192,000	11,089,000	1,375,000	280,000	33,000	708,000	7,599,000	17,873,993	176,722,211
2005	205,093	7,954,167	945,895	278,471	30,254	721,843	8,478,427	20,504,282	174,667,361
2010	365,086	7,900,016	982,918	373,324	46,475	717,366	8,603,753	17,957,421	175,912,339
2011	354,402	7,942,641	959,915	373,327	50,966	708,770	8,642,011	17,549,225	174,787,108
2012	348,861	7,015,729	891,604	395,913	59,865	621,446	8,040,080	17,465,477	174,647,830
2013	402,659	7,181,828	975,858	393,915	63,166	590,278	7,971,405	16,548,690	176,919,056
2014	369,349	7,166,020	937,029	390,886	67,016	585,714	8,090,378	16,435,598	175,563,904
2015	374,458	7,148,534	961,676	384,767	70,872	582,447	8,092,346	15,760,502	177,391,671
2016	385,121	7,284,874	1,026,263	388,324	74,215	558,065	7,919,865	15,207,274	178,690,367
2017	400,792	7,215,433	992,177	367,561	72,455	561,654	8,009,153	14,000,931	178,635,180
2018	401,337	7,179,158	986,255	367,561	72,455	556,807	7,935,425	12,089,836	175,021,627
2019	402,286	7,000,880	1,058,720	367,561	72,455	556,009	7,954,259	10,873,698	175,520,313

### 5.2.3 Uncertainty and time-series consistency

Uncertainty related to CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from enteric fermentation was 20.2% for annual emissions, resulting from the combination of 3% of uncertainty for activity data and 20% for emission factors.

In the 2011 submission, Montecarlo analysis was also applied to estimate uncertainty of this category for 2009; an asymmetrical probability density distribution resulted from the analysis, showing uncertainties values equal to -21.8% and 31.7%. Different distributions have been assumed for the parameters; assumptions or constraints on variables have been appropriately reflected on the choice of type and shape of distributions. A summary of the results is reported in Annex 1.

In 2019, CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from enteric fermentation were 14.6% (529.63 Gg) lower than in 1990 (619.86 Gg). Between 1990 and 2019 cattle livestock has decreased by 22.9% (from 7,752,152 to 5,974,947 heads). Dairy cattle and non-dairy cattle have decreased by 37.8% (from 2,641,755 to 1,643,117) and 15.2% (from 5,110,397 to 4,331,830), respectively. The reduction in number of cattle is the main driver for the reduction in CH<sub>4</sub> emissions, particularly as emissions per head from cattle are more than 10 times greater than those of sheep or goat. In 2019, cattle contribute with 79.7% to total CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from enteric fermentation.

In Table 5.16, emission trends from the enteric fermentation category are shown. Emissions from swine, as reported in the CRF tables, are represented by ‘other swine’ and ‘sow’ (12.77 Gg).

**Table 5.16 Trend of CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from enteric fermentation (Gg)**

Year	Dairy cattle	Non-dairy cattle	Buffalo	Sheep	Goats	Horses	Mules and asses	Sows	Other swine	Rabbits	Total
1990	293.57	233.00	7.03	60.18	6.29	5.18	0.84	0.98	11.63	1.16	<b>619.86</b>
1995	256.99	246.22	11.25	71.98	6.86	5.67	0.38	1.03	11.06	1.33	<b>612.76</b>
2000	257.36	234.48	15.02	68.96	6.88	5.04	0.33	1.06	11.40	1.39	<b>601.91</b>
2005	223.51	204.65	17.36	56.19	4.73	5.01	0.30	1.08	12.72	1.59	<b>527.14</b>
2010	211.61	187.46	28.02	55.87	4.91	6.72	0.46	1.08	12.91	1.39	<b>510.44</b>
2011	210.86	188.81	27.58	55.75	4.80	6.72	0.51	1.06	12.96	1.36	<b>510.41</b>
2012	222.07	186.43	27.06	50.27	4.46	7.13	0.60	0.93	12.06	1.36	<b>512.35</b>
2013	221.25	189.39	30.70	50.41	4.88	7.09	0.63	0.89	11.96	1.29	<b>518.48</b>
2014	223.42	184.07	28.58	49.61	4.69	7.04	0.67	0.88	12.14	1.28	<b>512.37</b>
2015	225.22	185.57	28.90	50.11	4.81	6.93	0.71	0.87	12.14	1.22	<b>516.47</b>
2016	226.50	193.31	29.55	51.41	5.13	6.99	0.74	0.84	11.88	1.18	<b>527.54</b>
2017	226.91	196.84	30.98	51.09	4.96	6.62	0.72	0.84	12.01	1.09	<b>532.06</b>
2018	218.74	203.61	30.69	51.29	4.93	6.62	0.72	0.84	11.90	0.94	<b>530.28</b>
2019	213.98	208.15	30.67	50.59	5.29	6.62	0.72	0.83	11.93	0.84	<b>529.63</b>

#### 5.2.4 Source-specific QA/QC and verification

Data on cow's milk collection from farms for dairy industry provided by the AGEA<sup>17</sup> were compared to official statistics provided by ISTAT, for the years 2004-2015. Data from AGEA are on average higher by 6% in the years 2004-2007 and 3% in the years 2011-2013. In other years, the differences are negligible, in particular for the years 2014 and 2015.

Differences on sheep's milk collection data are found between FAOSTAT and national statistics (ISTAT). For the years 1990-1995, FAO data are higher on average more than 40%, then the difference decreases. After 2003, FAO data becomes lower than official ISTAT statistics. In the period 2005-2008, FAO data are equal to the total of the milk collected at the farms including the amount used on farms. The milk directly suckled by calves is not considered. In the period 2009-2013, FAO data is only equal to the total of milk collected at the farms. Further investigation will be carried out.

Information related to the 2010 Agricultural census has been analysed and verified, as mentioned in the paragraph 5.1.4.

#### 5.2.5 Source-specific recalculations

CH<sub>4</sub> emissions have been recalculated because of the data updating from 2004 of DE and Ym parameters used to estimate CH<sub>4</sub> emissions for dairy cattle category.

#### 5.2.6 Source-specific planned improvements

On the basis of the information on the standard diets of cattle for fattening, which will be provided by the CRPA, the updating of values relating to dry matter intake currently in use will be evaluated. In addition, the Ym values will Refinement.

Additional data and information will be collected to improve the estimation of methane emissions from sheep, in particular for the DE parameter for mature ewes and other mature sheep, as recommended during the 2019 UNFCCC review. Actually, Italy uses the average default value of Table 10.2 of the 2006 IPCC Guidelines, relating to the ruminant categories and class ‘pasture fed animals’ and which is accompanied by a general description of the type of diets corresponding to the default values indicated. The data reported in Table 10A-

<sup>17</sup> AGEA is the Agency for Agricultural Payments. The Agency has the task of performing the functions of coordination, monitoring and disbursement of European funds for agriculture - <http://www.agea.gov.it/portal/page/portal/AGEAPageGroup/HomeAGEA/home>. Data are available online at the link <http://www.sian.it/downloadpub/jsp/zfadlx001.jsp> (the filename is *Riepilogo per regione di produzione delle consegne mensili non rettificate registrate*).

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9 (where there is no description of the data reported) do not fit with those of Table 10.2 probably because the Table 10A-9 was affected by a typo error (0.6% instead of 60%). This table has been removed from the 2019 IPCC Refinement.

Information and administrative data related to number of heads, average weight by livestock category, food rations of livestock for cattle and swine, milk production data will be collected by the Ministry of Agriculture as part of the Decree of Ministry for the Environment, Land and Sea 9 december 2016 *Attuazione della legge 3 maggio n. 79 in materia di ratifica ed esecuzione dell'Emendamento di Doha al Protocollo di Kyoto* (GU, 2016[b]) and comparisons and verifications with the data used to estimate emissions will be carried out.

## 5.3 Manure management (3B)

### 5.3.1 Source category description

In 2019, CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from manure management were 165.27 Gg, which represents 21.8% of CH<sub>4</sub> emissions for the agriculture sector (21.8% in 1990) and 9.6% of national CH<sub>4</sub> emissions (9.8% in 1990). CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from cattle were 80.76 Gg and from swine were 69.72 Gg. These two sub-categories represented 48.9% and 42.2%, respectively, of total CH<sub>4</sub> manure management emissions. CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from manure management also include emissions from ostriches and emissions from pasture for cattle and buffalo categories, as recommended during 2019 UNFCCC review.

N<sub>2</sub>O direct and indirect emissions, produced during the storage and treatment of manure before it is applied to soils, are reported separately. In 2019, N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from manure management were 6.99 Gg (of which 4.34 Gg are direct emissions and 2.65 Gg are indirect emissions), which represents 20.6% of total N<sub>2</sub>O emissions for the agriculture sector (21.8% in 1990) and 12.1% of national N<sub>2</sub>O emissions (10.8% in 1990). In 2019, direct N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from manure management consist of the solid storage source (2.18 Gg), that includes another management system such as chicken-dung drying process system, and liquid system (2.16 Gg). N<sub>2</sub>O emissions of the anaerobic digesters, another management system used in the country, are reported equal to zero in line with the 2006 IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006).

In the framework of the Nitrogen Balance Inter-regional Project, parameters related to the estimation of CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions, such as average weight, production of slurry and solid manure and the nitrogen excretion rates, have been set.

CH<sub>4</sub> emissions and direct N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from manure management are key sources at level, following Approach 1 and Approach 2, excluding the LULUCF sector in the analysis.

### 5.3.2 Methodological issues

The IPCC Tier 2 approach is used for estimating methane EFs for manure management of cattle, buffalo and swine. For estimating slurry and solid manure EFs and the specific conversion factors, a detailed methodology (*Method 1*) was applied at a regional basis for cattle and buffalo categories. Then, a simplified methodology, for estimating EF time series, was followed (*Method 2*). Livestock population activity data is collected from ISTAT (see Table 5.7; Table 5.8; Table 5.15).

#### *Methane emissions (cattle and buffalo)*

##### *Method 1: Regional basis*

Methane emission estimations for manure management are drawn up on a regional basis and depend on specific manure management practices and environmental conditions (Safley *et al.*, 1992; Steed and Hashimoto, 1995; Husted, 1993; Husted, 1994). The following factors are used: average monthly temperatures (ISPRA, 2020), amount of slurry and solid manure produced per livestock category (CRPA, 2018; CRPA, 2006[a]; Regione Emilia Romagna, 2004), storage temperatures and timescale for emptying manure storages for the application of slurry and solid manure to soils for agricultural purposes in Italy (CRPA, 1993).

For cattle and buffalo, the estimation of the EF starts with the calculation of the *methane emission rate* (g CH<sub>4</sub> m<sup>-3</sup> day<sup>-1</sup>), which is obtained from 5.1 and 5.2 equations for slurry and solid manure respectively reported below.

For the quantification of emissions from storage of cattle manure, the methodology adopted is based on the studies conducted by Husted. The Husted methodology allows estimating methane on the basis of parameters defining the manure storage in Italy. These parameters, already mentioned, are average monthly temperatures, amount of slurry and solid manure produced per livestock category, storage temperatures and timescale for

emptying manure storages. This method was adopted as it is based on experimental surveys carried out in the field, in environmental and breeding conditions that are transferable to the Italian reality with appropriate adaptations. This method allows to modulate the mass of methane emitted in relation to changes in temperature on a monthly basis. The average annual temperature represents an approximate datum for the elaboration of the methane emission estimates, since the same average annual value can correspond to more or less wide temperature excursions between the months (Steed and Hashimoto, 1995). This is followed by different methane emissions from manure storage depending on the number of months for which the 10°C threshold is exceeded. According to the methodology adopted, the mass of methane is calculated on the basis of two parameters, one of which is measured experimentally in field conditions (emission per unit volume of manure in relation to temperature) and the other estimated (the mass of manure in solid or liquid form present at storage).

Average monthly temperature data were updated based on SCIA<sup>18</sup> data. SCIA made available the climatic normal temperature values for the 30-year climatological periods 1961-1990, 1971-2000, 1981-2010 in raster format. Using GIS software, the raster data were converted into points and intersected with the shape of the municipal boundaries to which altitude and LU data (i.e. data on the number of animals reared at municipal level, expressed in units of adult cattle) were also associated. Average data from 1971-2000 were considered to update the emissions from the 1990-2000 time series and the 1981-2010 time series from 2001. Temperature data above 1000 m were not considered. National average monthly temperature data (obtained by weighing provincial average monthly temperature data with LUs) were used to update methane emissions from storage, according to the country-specific methodology. This update resulted in a revision of the CH<sub>4</sub> estimate from manure management for cattle and buffalo categories. Temperature data, aggregated per province by weighting with LU, were used to recalculate MCF.

Equations are presented below (CRPA, 2006[a]; Husted, 1994).

For slurry:

$$\text{CH}_4 \text{ (g m}^{-3} \text{ day}^{-1}\text{)} = e^{(0.68+0.12) * t \text{ (}^\circ\text{C) (average monthly temperature)}} \quad \text{Eq. 5.1}$$

For solid manure:

$$\text{CH}_4 \text{ (g m}^{-3} \text{ day}^{-1}\text{)} = e^{(-2.3+0.1) * t \text{ (}^\circ\text{C) (average monthly storage temperature)}} \quad \text{Eq. 5.2}$$

The monthly storage temperature from the solid manure is estimated with the following equation (Husted, 1994):

$$T \text{ solid manure storage} = 6,7086e^{0.1014t \text{ (}^\circ\text{C) (average monthly temperature)}}$$

For temperatures below 10°C emissions are considered negligible.

The volume of slurry and solid manure produced per livestock category (m<sup>3</sup> head<sup>-1</sup>) was obtained by multiplying the average production of slurry and solid manure per livestock category per day (m<sup>3</sup> head<sup>-1</sup> day<sup>-1</sup>) by the days of storage of slurry and solid manure. The volume of slurry and solid stored manure is based on regional regulations concerning the use of manure. Information about days of storage takes into account the retention time in storage facilities and temporal dynamics of storage and application on soils of slurry and manure (CRPA, 1997[a]). The production of solid manure and slurry were estimated assuming a distribution of housing systems in Italy. The distribution of housing for dairy cattle has been assessed on the basis of a 1998 CRPA survey carried out in Lombardy, Emilia Romagna and center of Italy and on ISTAT statistics of 2003 (CRPA, 2006[a]; Bonazzi *et al.*, 2005; APAT, 2004[a]; APAT, 2004[b]) for the period 1990-2005; starting from 2010, the housing systems distribution has been deduced by the results of the 2010 Agricultural Census. Between 2005 and 2010 a gradual transition to the updated distribution of housing systems has been assumed for the intermediate years, taking in account the gradual penetration of systems to ensure animal welfare. For non-dairy cattle and buffalo categories data on distribution of housing systems derive from national studies and expert judgment (CRPA, 2006[a]).

By multiplying the *methane emission rates* (obtained from equations 5.1 and 5.2) with the volume of slurry and solid stored manure, the methane emissions were calculated.

The next step is to calculate the volatile solid (VS) production, obtained by multiplying the average production of slurry and solid manure (previously converted from volume to weight) by the factors proposed by Husted:

<sup>18</sup> SCIA is the national system for the collection, elaboration and dissemination of climatological data, by ISPRA, in the framework of the national environmental information system, in collaboration with the relevant institutions: [http://www.scia.isprambiente.it/wwwrootscia/Home\\_new\\_eng.html](http://www.scia.isprambiente.it/wwwrootscia/Home_new_eng.html)

47.5 g VS/kg (slurry) and 142.7 g VS/kg (solid manure) (Husted, 1994; CRPA, 2006[a]). These values are very close to those obtained from a survey carried out by the CRPA on the characteristics of zootechnical manure in different types of breeding. This survey allowed a collection of national data relating to solid and liquid manure of dairy cows for different types of housing. This collection of samples made it possible to quantify the production of manure, the total solids and the volatile solids (APAT, 2004[a]).

The next step is to calculate the *specific conversion factors* for slurry and solid manure as the ratio between methane emissions and VS production. Later, these *specific conversion factors* are used for the simplified methodology (*Method 2*). The *specific conversion factor* values for slurry are 17.25 and 18.12 g CH<sub>4</sub>/kg VS for the period 1990-2000 and from 2001 respectively; and for solid manure are 8.11 and 9.28 g CH<sub>4</sub>/kg VS for the period 1990-2000 and from 2001 respectively.

#### *Method 2: National basis*

A simplified methodology (*Method 2*) for estimating methane EFs from manure management was used for the whole time series. Slurry and solid manure EFs (kg CH<sub>4</sub> head<sup>-1</sup> year<sup>-1</sup>) were calculated with Equations 5.3 and 5.4, respectively. These equations include the *specific conversion factors* and the production of VS (kg head<sup>-1</sup> day<sup>-1</sup>), estimated with the slurry and solid manure production and the Husted factors (Husted, 1994; CRPA, 2006[a]): 47.5 g VS/kg (slurry) and 142.7 g VS/kg (solid manure).

The daily VS excreted, estimated for slurry and solid manure, are summed and used for calculating the methane producing potential (Bo).

In Table 5.17, EF estimations are shown.

EF slurry (for the period 1990-2000) = 17.25 g CH<sub>4</sub>/kg VS • VS production slurry (kg VS head<sup>-1</sup> day<sup>-1</sup>) • 365 days  
Eq. 5.3(a)

EF slurry (for the period since 2001) = 18.12 g CH<sub>4</sub>/kg VS • VS production slurry (kg VS head<sup>-1</sup> day<sup>-1</sup>) • 365 days  
Eq. 5.3(b)

EF solid manure (for the period 1990-2000) = 8.11 g CH<sub>4</sub>/kg VS • VS production solid manure (kg VS head<sup>-1</sup> day<sup>-1</sup>) • 365 days  
Eq. 5.4(a)

EF solid manure (for the period since 2001) = 9.28 g CH<sub>4</sub>/kg VS • VS production solid manure (kg VS head<sup>-1</sup> day<sup>-1</sup>) • 365 days  
Eq. 5.4(b)

**Table 5.17 Methane manure management EFs for cattle and buffalo in 2019 (kg CH<sub>4</sub> head<sup>-1</sup> yr<sup>-1</sup>)**

Livestock category	Slurry (kg CH <sub>4</sub> head <sup>-1</sup> yr <sup>-1</sup> )	Solid manure (kg CH <sub>4</sub> head <sup>-1</sup> yr <sup>-1</sup> )	CH <sub>4</sub> manure management EF (kg CH <sub>4</sub> head <sup>-1</sup> yr <sup>-1</sup> )
Calf	6.22	0.00	<b>6.22</b>
Male cattle	5.18	2.84	<b>8.01</b>
Female cattle	2.08	3.54	<b>5.62</b>
Other non dairy cattle (*)	3.53	5.22	<b>8.75</b>
Dairy cattle	8.01	6.58	<b>14.59</b>
Cow buffalo	4.95	6.26	<b>11.21</b>
Other buffaloes	2.69	2.84	<b>5.54</b>

(\*) Suckling cows and cows in late career (average weight 557 kg)

The sub-category ‘Other non dairy cattle’ includes suckling cows (cows farmed for feeding of calves, whose milk is not normally intended for human consumption) and cows in late career defined as cows after the last lactation, no longer productive that will be slaughtered. Dairy cows in late career but still productive are included in dairy cattle category.

The average production of slurry and solid manure per livestock category per day (m<sup>3</sup> head<sup>-1</sup> day<sup>-1</sup>) has been set with results from the Nitrogen Balance Inter-regional Project (Regione Emilia Romagna, 2004). The updating on manure production for cattle and buffalo, based on Ministerial Decree of 25 February 2016 on criteria and general technical standards for the regional regulation of the agronomic use of farmed effluents and wastewater, as well as for the production and agronomic use of digestate (GU, 2016[a]), has been done. Based on the type and housing systems distribution for the different animal categories, and on the average weight of animals, a time series of slurry and solid manure production was obtained. The manure production data (liquid/slurry and solid) from the 2016 Ministerial Decree were used for the cattle and buffalo categories

from 2016 and a gradual change from 2006 to 2016 production factors was calculated over the period from 2007 to 2015.

In Table 5.18 the disaggregated manure management EFs for cattle and buffalo are shown. In Table 5.24 the average EFs of main categories (dairy, non-dairy, buffalo and swine) are reported.

**Table 5.18 Methane manure management EFs for cattle and buffalo (kg CH<sub>4</sub> head<sup>-1</sup> yr<sup>-1</sup>)**

Year	Calf	Male cattle	Female cattle	Other non dairy cattle (*)	Dairy cattle	Cow buffalo	Other buffaloes
1990	7.07	11.08	9.81	15.85	22.38	23.61	9.32
1995	7.07	11.70	9.82	15.85	22.38	23.45	9.26
2000	7.07	11.29	9.95	15.85	22.38	23.29	9.19
2005	7.43	12.92	11.31	17.71	25.01	25.94	10.11
2010	7.43	12.48	10.51	16.15	25.09	22.80	9.56
2011	7.43	12.29	10.16	15.76	24.64	22.01	9.42
2012	7.43	12.50	10.20	15.37	24.18	21.23	9.29
2013	7.43	12.14	10.07	14.97	23.72	20.44	9.15
2014	7.43	11.88	9.80	14.58	23.27	19.65	9.01
2015	7.43	11.71	9.55	14.19	22.81	18.87	8.88
2016	7.43	11.44	9.35	13.80	22.36	18.08	8.74
2017	7.43	11.60	9.34	13.80	22.36	18.08	8.74
2018	7.43	11.70	9.41	13.80	22.36	18.08	8.74
2019	7.43	11.75	9.31	13.80	22.36	18.08	8.74

(\*) Suckling cows and cows in late career (average weight 557 kg)

As recommended during the 2019 UNFCCC review, in Table A.7.14-16 in Annex 7, all data, parameters and equations used to estimate CH<sub>4</sub> emission from manure management for cattle and buffalo are reported. These data are: the average monthly temperature; storage temperatures and timescale for emptying manure storages; the amount of manure generated by each subcategory of cattle and buffalo (m<sup>3</sup>/head day<sup>-1</sup>); the *methane emission rates* (g CH<sub>4</sub>/m<sup>3</sup> day<sup>-1</sup>) calculated on the basis of the equations 5.1 and 5.2; the specific conversion factors (g CH<sub>4</sub>/kg VS); the content of VS in manure (g VS/head day<sup>-1</sup>) produced by different subcategories of cattle (dairy and non-dairy cattle) and buffalo (cow buffaloes and other buffaloes); the slurry and solid manure EFs (kg CH<sub>4</sub>/head year<sup>-1</sup>) calculated with Equations 5.3 and 5.4 respectively; the total (slurry and solid manure) amount of VS handled in slurry/liquid and solid manure management systems for the entire reporting period; the total (slurry and solid manure) CH<sub>4</sub> emission factors.

CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from manure management category (3B) also include emissions from the biogas production.

A national census on biogas production/technology/installed power/organic matrix used is available in CRPA and CRPA/AIEL (CRPA, 2013; CRPA, 2011; ENAMA, 2011; CRPA, 2008[a]; CRPA/AIEL 2008). Biogas production data are collected annually by the National Electric Network (TERNA, several years). Emissions of methane, from biogas produced by anaerobic digesters fed with animal manure, to be deducted to the total amount of methane from manure management, were calculated using the information and data provided by TERNA and CRPA. For further information on the country-specific methodology used see Annex 7.2.

On the basis of the recent study for the evaluation of the effects on emissions of livestock management practices carried out by CRPA (CRPA, 2018), the percentages of the different substrates feeding the anaerobic digesters and data on the average content of volatile solids by type of substrates have been changed resulting in a decrease of the estimated amount of manure feeding anaerobic digesters. For the year 2019 this amount is equal to about 15 million of tons and that is 46% of the total amount of feed treated in anaerobic digesters. Emissions from plant biogas losses, fueled by manure, energy crops and agro-industrial by-products, are greater than avoided emissions due to biogas recovery (for cattle until 2016), due to the estimated amount of manure that feeds the digesters, which is probably low compared to other substrates. Therefore increases in CH<sub>4</sub> emissions related to biogas recovery are assumed for cattle until 2016 according to the methodology described in Annex 7.2 (see paragraph *CH<sub>4</sub> emissions to be subtracted*).

In 2019, the CRF IEFs, for dairy cattle and non-dairy cattle, were 22.53 kg CH<sub>4</sub> head<sup>-1</sup> year<sup>-1</sup> and 10.09 kg CH<sub>4</sub> head<sup>-1</sup> year<sup>-1</sup>, respectively. IPCC default EFs for cool temperature (and 14°C as average annual temperature) are 29 kg CH<sub>4</sub> head<sup>-1</sup> year<sup>-1</sup> and 8 kg CH<sub>4</sub> head<sup>-1</sup> year<sup>-1</sup>, respectively (IPCC, 2006).

The IEF for non-dairy cattle and buffalo represent a weighted average. The non-dairy cattle IEF includes: calf, male cattle, female cattle and other non dairy cattle. The buffalo category includes: cow buffalo and other buffaloes categories. In Table 5.19, EFs and IEFs are shown. Differences, as mentioned before, are related to the amount of CH<sub>4</sub> reductions from biogas recovery and IEFs include also CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from pasture. In Table 5.19, the default EFs of the IPCC 2006 Guidelines are also reported.

**Table 5.19 CH<sub>4</sub> EFs, IEF and default EF for cattle and buffalo (kg CH<sub>4</sub> head<sup>-1</sup> yr<sup>-1</sup>)**

Livestock category	EF (kg CH <sub>4</sub> head <sup>-1</sup> yr <sup>-1</sup> )	IEF (*) (kg CH <sub>4</sub> head <sup>-1</sup> yr <sup>-1</sup> )	IPCC 2006 default EF (kg CH <sub>4</sub> head <sup>-1</sup> yr <sup>-1</sup> )
Dairy cattle	22.36	22.53	29
Non-dairy cattle	10.06	10.09	8
Buffalo	14.14	14.20	5

(\*) IEF as reported in the CRF submission 2021

Emissions from the biogas combustion for energy production are estimated and reported in the energy sector in the 1.A.4.c category, agriculture, forestry and fisheries, biomass fuel.

Following previous UNFCCC review's remark, detailed information on the estimate of weighted average values of CH<sub>4</sub> producing potential (Bo) and methane conversion factor (MCF) is provided below.

The methodology used, based on Husted studies, do not require the estimate of Bo, therefore, the factor is estimated with Equation 10.23 from IPCC (IPCC, 2006, volume 4, chapter 10) and using country specific EFs and VS by livestock category described above and the average value of MCF by livestock category.

The 2006 IPCC MCF values by temperature for manure management systems (solid storage, pasture, liquid/slurry system) are used. In particular for liquid/slurry system, at first, the values of MCF at the provincial level were calculated based on the 2006 IPCC MCFs, by temperature, on the basis of the average provincial temperatures (i.e. the average temperature at provincial level was calculated by weighing the temperature at municipal level data with the percentage of animals at provincial level). Subsequently, the MCF national average values by livestock category for climate zone (considering cool (<15°C) and temperate (≥ 15°C) climate zone) were calculated as the average of the provincial MCF values weighed with the animals distributed by province for climatic zone. In relation to the climatic zones of the country and the average temperatures, see also the paragraph *Other livestock categories* below. The number of animals at provincial level come from the Agriculture Census from 1990, 2000 and 2010, the FSS 2005 (ISTAT, 2007[a]), 2007 (ISTAT, 2008[a]), 2013 and 2016<sup>19</sup>.

Information on the estimation process of the weighted average values of MCF for animal manure digested in anaerobic digesters are reported in Annex 7.2. Average MCFs were not used for estimating manure management EF, but they are useful to verify the EF accuracy.

In Table 5.20, estimated country-specific VS and Bo parameters, and IPCC default values are shown (IPCC, 2006). Differences are mainly attributed to country-specific characteristics.

**Table 5.20 VS and Bo parameters for cattle, buffalo and swine**

Livestock category	VS country-specific (*) (kg dm head <sup>-1</sup> day <sup>-1</sup> )	VS IPCC default (kg dm head <sup>-1</sup> day <sup>-1</sup> )	Bo country-specific (*) (CH <sub>4</sub> m <sup>3</sup> /kg VS)	Bo IPCC default (CH <sub>4</sub> m <sup>3</sup> /kg VS)
Dairy cattle	5.22	5.10	0.22	0.24
Non-dairy cattle	2.35	2.60	0.24	0.18
Buffalo	3.49	3.90	0.17	0.10
Swine	0.33	0.31(**)	0.42	0.45

(\*) IEF as reported in the CRF submission 2021; (\*\*) weighted average with the number of heads of sows and other swine categories

As recommended during 2019 UNFCCC review, the VS for cattle and buffalo are calculated also using equation 10.24 of the 2006 IPCC Guidelines, and the results are: for dairy cattle 5.07 kg dm/head/day in 1990 and 5.92 kg dm/head/day in 2019; for non-dairy cattle 2.74 kg dm/head/day in 1990 and 2.80 kg dm/head/day in 2019; for buffalo 3.44 kg dm/head/day in 1990 and 3.53 kg dm/head/day in 2019.

For dairy cows, VS from manure are affected by the variation over the years of the housing systems, which affect the production of manure; the equation 10.24 of the 2006 IPCC Guidelines does not allow for this important parameter to be considered when estimating methane emissions from storage. For non-dairy cattle

<sup>19</sup> <http://dati.istat.it/?lang=en&SubSessionId=cead0f83-139d-4121-9178-e7de3f81675f>

category, the enteric VS was calculating assuming DE equal to 65%, but this value should be lower, given that the average value of Y<sub>m</sub> of this category is equal to 4.42 for 2019 (4.44 in 1990).

For what concerns the contribution of straw, the methodology used, based on Husted studies, does not require a control on the straw used. Moreover, as regard the VS content, as reported in the MeditAIRaneo project, the VS produced in slurry/liquid and solid animal manure were elaborated using VS content in slurry/liquid and solid manure as 47.5 gVS/kg of slurry and 142.7 gVS/kg of solid manure with the reference to Husted. As reported in Husted, cattle slurry does not contain bedding material and cattle solid manure consisted mainly of faeces and a minor fraction of bedding material. Finally, as reported in the 2006 IPCC Guidelines, since the bedding materials typically are associated with solid storage systems, their contribution would not add significantly to overall methane production. As regards the cross-check of amounts of bedding material contained in the manure used to estimate CH<sub>4</sub> emissions and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from animal manure applied to agricultural soils, the amount of straw used as bedding was estimated, as recommended by the 2019 UNFCCC review. On the basis of the amount of straw per day (per tonnes of live weight, per type of housing, for cattle and buffalo), contained in the Ministerial Decree of 25 February 2016 on the use of zootechnical effluents, combined with the manure production coefficients used in the estimation of CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from storage, the amount of straw used as bedding that ends up on agricultural land during the spreading of manure was estimated. The nitrogen content was considered and was added to the nitrogen input from manure applied to soils for N<sub>2</sub>O emissions estimate. Data for cattle were updated, while data for buffaloes, previously missing, were included. Data have been updated since 1990. Further information and data can be found in paragraph 5.5.2 (Direct N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from F<sub>AM</sub>) and in the Annex 7.3.

As recommended during 2019 UNFCCC review, CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from pasture for cattle and buffalo categories have been estimated (using the equation 10.23 of the 2006 IPCC Guidelines) and reported in manure management emission category. In Table 5.21 the disaggregated manure management EFs from pasture for cattle and buffalo are shown.

**Table 5.21 CH<sub>4</sub> EFs from pasture for cattle and buffalo (kg CH<sub>4</sub> head<sup>-1</sup> yr<sup>-1</sup>)**

Year	Calf	Male cattle	Female cattle	Other non	Dairy	Cow	Other
				dairy cattle			
(kg CH <sub>4</sub> head <sup>-1</sup> yr <sup>-1</sup> )							
1990	0.026	0.036	0.041	0.058	0.226	0.135	0.053
1995	0.026	0.036	0.043	0.058	0.226	0.130	0.051
2000	0.027	0.037	0.043	0.060	0.232	0.124	0.049
2005	0.027	0.041	0.047	0.064	0.256	0.132	0.051
2010	0.027	0.039	0.046	0.059	0.206	0.111	0.047
2011	0.027	0.037	0.045	0.058	0.202	0.106	0.045
2012	0.027	0.038	0.046	0.057	0.198	0.100	0.044
2013	0.032	0.043	0.052	0.064	0.224	0.095	0.043
2014	0.032	0.042	0.051	0.063	0.219	0.090	0.041
2015	0.032	0.041	0.050	0.061	0.215	0.085	0.040
2016	0.033	0.041	0.050	0.061	0.209	0.079	0.038
2017	0.033	0.041	0.051	0.061	0.209	0.079	0.038
2018	0.033	0.041	0.052	0.061	0.209	0.079	0.038
2019	0.033	0.041	0.052	0.061	0.209	0.079	0.038

(\*) Suckling cows and cows in late career (average weight 557 kg)

### ***Methane emissions (swine)***

For the estimation of CH<sub>4</sub> emissions for swine, a country-specific *methane emission rate* was experimentally determined by the Research Centre on Animal Production (CRPA, 1996). The estimation of the EF considers: the storage systems for slurry (tank and lagoons), type of breeding and production of biogas.

Different parameters were considered, such as the livestock population, average weight for fattening swine and sows, and *methane emission rate*. Methane emission rates used are 41 normal litres CH<sub>4</sub>/100 kg live weight/day for fattening swine, and 47 normal litres CH<sub>4</sub>/100 kg live weight/day for sows including piglets (CRPA, 2006[a]), based on experimental measurements on covered storage systems.

The shares of covered/uncovered storage systems are equal to 3% and 97% (CRPA, 2006[b]), respectively; the CH<sub>4</sub> emission rates used for uncovered storage systems were: 37.6 normal litre CH<sub>4</sub>/100 kg live weight/day for fattening swine and 43.1 normal litre CH<sub>4</sub>/100 kg live weight/day for sows, including piglets.

The uncovered systems are emitting less than the covered ones since the temperatures are lower. According to the information on the storage systems collected by the 2010 Agriculture Census, the shares of covered/uncovered storage systems are equal to 11% and 89%, respectively; the shares of covered/uncovered storage systems are equal to 25% and 75%, respectively, taking into account the outcomes of the 2013 FSS ISTAT survey.

Characteristics of swine breeding and EFs are shown in Table 5.22; the emission factors reflect the share of covered/uncovered storage systems. The slurry production considered the different swine categories (classified by weight and housing characteristics); the average weight of sows, the production of slurry (t year<sup>-1</sup> per t live weight) and the volatile solid content in the slurry (g SV/kg slurry w.b.) have been set on the basis of 598 measurements carried out by CRPA (CRPA, 1996; CRPA, 2006[a]).

In 2019, the EF from sow was 22.92 kg CH<sub>4</sub> head<sup>-1</sup>year<sup>-1</sup>, and for the other swine category was 8.91 kg CH<sub>4</sub> head<sup>-1</sup> year<sup>-1</sup> (average swine EF is 8.35 kg CH<sub>4</sub> head<sup>-1</sup>year<sup>-1</sup>). In Table 5.24 the time series of EFs for the swine category (sow and other swine) are shown. The CRF IEF reported is 8.19 kg CH<sub>4</sub> head<sup>-1</sup> year<sup>-1</sup>. IPCC 2006 Guidelines default EF is 8 kg CH<sub>4</sub> head<sup>-1</sup>year<sup>-1</sup> for market swine and 12 kg CH<sub>4</sub> head<sup>-1</sup>year<sup>-1</sup> for breeding swine respectively, for cool temperature and 14°C as average annual temperature (IPCC, 2006). The difference between the EF and the IEF is due to the reduction in CH<sub>4</sub> because of biogas recovery (see Annex 7.2).

For reporting purposes, the VS daily excretion and Bo is estimated and is useful to verify the EF accuracy. The VS daily excretion was estimated for each sub-category with the following parameters: animal number, production of slurry (t/y/t live weight) and the volatile solids content in the slurry (g VS/kg slurry). Methane producing potential (Bo) used Equation 10.23 from the IPCC (IPCC, 2006, volume 4, chapter 10). See paragraph *Methane emissions (cattle and buffalo)* for more details on the estimation process.

**Table 5.22 Methane manure management parameters and emission factors for swine in 2019**

Livestock category	Average weight (kg)	Breed live weight (t)	Methane emission rate reduction (NI CH <sub>4</sub> /100 kg live weight)	Emission factor (kg CH <sub>4</sub> head <sup>-1</sup> yr <sup>-1</sup> )
<b>Other swine</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>576,026</b>	<b>14,036</b>	<b>8.91</b>
20-50 kg	35	56,758	14,036	3.54
50-80 kg	65	82,901	14,036	6.58
80-110 kg	95	136,118	14,036	9.62
110 kg and more	135	295,561	14,036	13.67
Boar	200	4,688	14,036	20.25
<b>Sows</b>	<b>172</b>	<b>109,805</b>	<b>16,090</b>	<b>22.92</b>
Piglets	10	14,116	16,090	1.16
Sows	172.1	95,689	16,090	19.98
			<b>Total</b>	<b>8.35</b>

The fundamental characteristic of Italian swine production is the high live weight of the animals slaughtered as related to age; the optimum weight for slaughtering to obtain meat suitable for producing the typical cured meats is between 155 and 170 kg of live weight. Such a high live weight must be reached in no less than nine months of age.

Other characteristics are the feeding situation, to obtain high quality meat, and the concentration of Italian pig production, limited to a small area (*Lombardia, Emilia-Romagna, Piemonte and Veneto*), representing 75% of national swine resources (Mordenti *et al.*, 1997).

These peculiarities of swine production influence the methane EF for manure management as well as nitrogen excretion factors used for the estimation of N<sub>2</sub>O emissions.

### Other livestock categories

Methane EFs used for calculating the other livestock categories are those included in the 2006 IPCC Guidelines. CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from pasture for other livestock categories (i.e., sheep, goats, horses, mules and asses) were not calculated as the manure management emissions for these animal categories were calculated using Tier1 emission factors, which include all management systems, including grazing.

Data on the number of broilers and laying hens in the period 2001-2009 and since 2011 have been updated. The estimation methodology involved successive steps. Firstly, ISTAT data from the Census and FSS surveys (available for the years 2000, 2005, 2007, 2010, 2013 and 2016) were considered; on the basis of these data the number of heads was estimated for the missing years from 2001, assuming a linear trend. The second step involved estimating the number of animals since 2001 on the basis of production data provided by UNAITALIA. The annual variation in production was multiplied by the number of animals in the 2000 Census. The third step was to calculate the average of the two time series calculated in the previous steps.

Since the yearly average temperature in Italy is 14°C, EFs are characteristic of the "cold" climatic region (IPCC, 2006). Considering that some Italian provinces have an average temperature higher than 15°C (temperate), a CRPA study (CRPA, 1997[a]), carried out at national level, assessed specific EFs, to be used in the estimation process of this category, for each animal category, on the basis of the IPCC default values, taking into account the territorial livestock distribution (at NUTS2 level). In particular, based on the number of heads at provincial level (NUTS2) and the average temperature of each province, CH<sub>4</sub> emissions were calculated using the IPCC default emission factors by average annual temperature (considering cool (<15°C) and temperate (≥ 15°C) climate zone) at the provincial level. For the national estimate an IEF was calculated based on the sum of the provincial emissions. The average provincial temperature was calculated as the average of the temperatures of the plain/hill/mountain altimetric areas weighed with the percentage of the heads in the altimetric areas.

In Table 5.23 the distribution of animals from the FSS 2005 (ISTAT) and number of heads in temperate and cool zones is shown.

In Table A.7.13 in the Annex, the distribution of animals and average temperature at provincial level and percentages of animals in temperate zone based on data from the FSS 2005 are shown.

**Table 5.23 Distribution of animals from the FSS 2005 (ISTAT) and number of heads in temperate and cool zones**

Livestock categories based on data from the FSS 2005	Heads	Animals in temperate zone (≥ 15°C)		Animals in cool zone (< 15°C)	
		N animals	% animals	N animals	% animals
		Non-dairy cattle	4,409,921	794,593	18.02
Dairy cattle	1,842,004	240,996	13.08	1,601,008	86.92
Buffalo	205,093	184,001	89.72	21091.8285	10.28
Other swine	8,478,427	354,560	4.18	8,123,867	95.82
Sows	721,843	56,455	7.82	665,388	92.18
Sheep	7,954,167	4,055,304	50.98	3,898,863	49.02
Goats	945,895	574,903	60.78	370,992	39.22
Horses	278,471	55,655	19.99	222,816	80.01
Mules and asses	30,254	10,226	33.80	20,028	66.20
Broilers (*)	93,124,306	3,484,340	3.74	89,639,966	96.26
Layer hens (*)	43,172,643	4,561,721	10.57	38,610,922	89.43
Other poultry	38,370,412	1,218,114	3.17	37,152,299	96.83
Rabbits	20,504,282	1,732,221	8.45	18,772,061	91.55

(\*) The 2005 FSS data were recalculated on the basis of the updated estimate of laying hens and broilers described above.

In order to verify the used animal distribution, the 2010 Agriculture Census (ISTAT, 2012) has been used to infer the percentages of animals in temperate zone. Comparing the assessed percentage with the used distribution, slight differences have to be noted, except for other swine, other equines and laying hens categories (decrease of 30%, 30% and an increase by 27%, respectively); a higher deviation is resulting for the other poultry and broilers categories.

As recommended during the 2019 UNFCCC review, CH<sub>4</sub> emissions for ostriches are estimated for the period 1990-2019 and reported in the IPCC category Other livestock. Activity data are provided by ISTAT for some years and for the other years the number of animals has been estimated. The default 2006 IPCC CH<sub>4</sub> EF has been used.

In Table 5.24, the average methane EFs for cattle, buffalo and swine categories are shown for the whole time series.

For the other categories, the EFs are as follows:

- rabbits, 0.080 kg CH<sub>4</sub> head<sup>-1</sup> year<sup>-1</sup>
- sheep, 0.211 kg CH<sub>4</sub> head<sup>-1</sup> year<sup>-1</sup>
- goats, 0.156 kg CH<sub>4</sub> head<sup>-1</sup> year<sup>-1</sup>
- horses, 1.634 kg CH<sub>4</sub> head<sup>-1</sup> year<sup>-1</sup>
- mules and asses, 0.839 kg CH<sub>4</sub> head<sup>-1</sup> year<sup>-1</sup>
- laying hens, 0.030 kg CH<sub>4</sub> head<sup>-1</sup> year<sup>-1</sup>
- broilers, 0.020 kg CH<sub>4</sub> head<sup>-1</sup> year<sup>-1</sup>
- other poultry, 0.090 kg CH<sub>4</sub> head<sup>-1</sup> year<sup>-1</sup>
- fur animals, 0.680 kg CH<sub>4</sub> head<sup>-1</sup> year<sup>-1</sup>
- ostriches, 5.67 kg CH<sub>4</sub> head<sup>-1</sup> year<sup>-1</sup>

The difference between the EF and the IEF for poultry is due to the reduction in CH<sub>4</sub> because of biogas recovery (see Annex 7.2).

**Table 5.24 Average methane EFs for manure management (\*) (kg CH<sub>4</sub> head<sup>-1</sup> year<sup>-1</sup>)**

Year	Dairy cattle	Non-dairy cattle	Buffalo	Sows	Other swine
	(kg CH <sub>4</sub> head <sup>-1</sup> year <sup>-1</sup> )				
1990	22.38	10.52	18.66	22.12	8.53
1995	22.38	11.00	18.20	21.94	8.51
2000	22.38	10.83	17.71	21.95	8.42
2005	25.01	12.05	20.70	22.28	8.34
2010	25.09	11.18	18.43	22.48	8.41
2011	24.64	10.92	17.83	22.54	8.46
2012	24.18	10.95	16.54	22.31	9.00
2013	23.72	10.69	15.91	22.83	9.03
2014	23.27	10.39	15.88	22.76	8.94
2015	22.81	10.18	15.02	22.78	8.94
2016	22.36	9.96	14.53	22.84	9.01
2017	22.36	9.99	14.55	22.84	8.98
2018	22.36	10.09	14.47	22.91	8.92
2019	22.36	10.06	14.14	22.92	8.91

(\*) These are the EFs used for estimating CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from manure management. CH<sub>4</sub> reductions are not included.

### ***Nitrous oxide emissions from manure management***

Direct and indirect N<sub>2</sub>O emissions, produced during the storage and treatment of manure before it is applied to soils, are reported separately, as indicated in the 2006 IPCC Guidelines.

#### ***Direct N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from manure management***

N<sub>2</sub>O emissions were estimated with equation 10.25 (IPCC, 2006, volume 4, chapter 10). Different parameters were used for the estimation: number of livestock species, country-specific nitrogen excretion rates per livestock category, fraction of total annual nitrogen excretion for each livestock category managed in each manure management systems and EFs for manure management systems (IPCC, 2006).

Liquid system and solid storage are considered according to their significance and major distribution in Italy. For these management systems, the same EF is used: 0.005 kg N<sub>2</sub>O-N/kg N excreted (IPCC, 2006). Solid storage includes the chicken-dung drying process system. This system is considered since 1995, since it has become increasingly common (CRPA, 2000; CRPA, 1997[b]). As regards the anaerobic digesters, another management system used in the country, the nitrogen quantities in livestock manure sent to anaerobic digestion were updated. On the basis of CRPA data on measurements of nitrogen quantities in livestock manure (downstream of releases to housing and storage) per animal category and type of manure, the nitrogen quantities in livestock manure sent to anaerobic digestion were estimated. The coefficients, expressed as g N/kg manure, were calculated gross of losses and then the losses to housing were deducted. The resulting coefficients were then multiplied by the quantities of manure sent for anaerobic digestion. The whole time

series was updated. N<sub>2</sub>O emissions of the anaerobic digesters are reported as zero in line with the 2006 IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006).

When estimating emissions from manure management, the amount related to manure excreted while grazing is subtracted and reported in ‘Agricultural soils’ under soil emissions - urine and dung deposited by grazing animals (see Table 5.25). In the 2006 submission, different parameters such as the nitrogen excretion rates (CRPA, 2006[a]; GU, 2006; Xiccato *et al.*, 2005), the slurry and solid manure production, and the average weight (CRPA, 2006[a]; GU, 2006; Regione Emilia Romagna, 2004) were updated.

In Table 5.25, nitrogen excretion rates used for the estimation of N<sub>2</sub>O are shown. In 2019, the nitrogen excretion rate for swine is 14.63 kg head<sup>-1</sup> yr<sup>-1</sup>. This last parameter is a weighted average: sow (28.55 kg head<sup>-1</sup> yr<sup>-1</sup>) and other swine (13.44 kg head<sup>-1</sup> yr<sup>-1</sup>). The average nitrogen excretion rate for swine reported in the CRF is equal to 12.20 kg head<sup>-1</sup> yr<sup>-1</sup>. The figure is lower than the average rate for swine reported here since the value reported in the CRF is calculated by comparing the excreted nitrogen to the total pigs, including piglets. The value for sows also includes the excreted nitrogen from piglets.

**Table 5.25 Average weight and nitrogen excretion rates in 2019**

Livestock category	Average weight (kg)	N excreted housing (kg N head <sup>-1</sup> yr <sup>-1</sup> )	N excreted grazing (kg N head <sup>-1</sup> yr <sup>-1</sup> )	Total nitrogen excreted (kg N head <sup>-1</sup> yr <sup>-1</sup> )
Non-dairy cattle	387.4	50.75	1.43	<b>52.18</b>
Dairy cattle	602.7	101.12	5.32	<b>106.44</b>
Buffalo	499.0	57.65	1.72	<b>59.38</b>
Other swine	88.0	13.44	0.00	<b>13.44</b>
Sows	172.1	28.55	0.00	<b>28.55</b>
Sheep	47.1	1.62	14.58	<b>16.20</b>
Goats	45.3	1.62	14.58	<b>16.20</b>
Horses	550.0	20.00	30.00	<b>50.00</b>
Mules and asses	300.0	20.00	30.00	<b>50.00</b>
Poultry	1.9	0.49		<b>0.49</b>
Rabbits	1.6	1.02		<b>1.02</b>
Fur animals	1.0	4.10		<b>4.10</b>

Country-specific annual nitrogen excretion rates have been set, based on the Nitrogen Balance Inter-regional Project results (nitrogen balance in animal farms); this project involved *Emilia Romagna*, *Lombardia*, *Piemonte* and *Veneto* regions, where animal breeding is concentrated. The N-balance methodology has been applied in real case farms, monitoring their normal feeding practice, without specific diet adaptation. In the project, the most relevant dairy cattle production systems in Italy have been considered. Contrary to what is normally found in European milk production systems, poor correlation between the N excretion and milk production has been found. Two possible reasons explain the absence of correlation: a) an extreme heterogeneity in the protein content of the forage and in the use of the feed; b) the non-optimisation of the protein diet of less productive cattle (De Roest and Speroni, 2005; CRPA, 2010). The nitrogen balance methodology was followed, as suggested by the IPCC. As a result, estimations of nitrogen excretion rates<sup>20</sup> and net nitrogen arriving to the field<sup>21</sup> were obtained. In order to get reliable information on feed consumption and characteristics, and composition of the feed ratio, the project considered territorial and dimensional representativeness of Italian breeding. The final annual nitrogen excretion rates used for the UNFCCC/CLRTAP agriculture national inventory are included in a CRPA report (CRPA, 2006[a]).

In Table 5.26, nitrogen excretion rates for the main livestock categories are shown for the whole time series. For the other livestock categories, nitrogen excretion is the same for the whole time series, as shown in Table 5.25.

For the dairy cattle category, following a recommendation raised during the 2019 UNFCCC review, the annual average values of nitrogen excretion rates are estimated using equations 10.31-33 of the 2006 IPCC Guidelines, and therefore are calculated with the data used to estimate the enteric fermentation emissions. Following the update of the gross energy intake (GE), based on the estimation of the parameters digestibility (DE) of diet and methane conversion factor (Y<sub>m</sub>), the excreted nitrogen value of dairy cows was updated from the year

<sup>20</sup> Nitrogen excretion = N consumed – N retained

<sup>21</sup> Net nitrogen to field = (N consumed – N retained) – N volatilized

2004. Excreted nitrogen is in fact calculated from GE using equations 10.31-10.33 of the 2006 IPCC Guidelines. In addition, the percentage for protein in diet has been updated from the year 2000 respect to the previous submission. This parameter is used with GE in the estimation of excreted nitrogen. As regards the percentage for protein in diet, on the basis of data from around 500 samples of rations (unifeed) of lactating and dry dairy cows, analysed by the CRPA's zootechnical feed service for the three-year period 2017-2019, from all over Italy, the crude protein of the ration was updated. The data were obtained by weighing the values expressed as % of the dry matter of the ration with the average annual lactation period (equal to 305 days) and the dry period (equal to 60 days). The value obtained, 14.22, was used for the time series from 2010 onwards, as indicated by the CRPA experts. For the previous years, the previous figure of 15.32 (Bittante *et al.*, 2004) was left until 2000, and an average value of 14.5 was used for the intermediate years between 2000 and 2010. This change results in a change in the nitrogen excreted by dairy cows (which is down from the previous submission).

For non-dairy cattle, buffalo and swine categories, the average values of nitrogen excretion rates are calculated on the basis of the weight of the annual number of animal subcategories and fluctuate over the years. For the 'Less than 1 year' subcategory of the non-dairy cattle category, an average value of nitrogen excreted was calculated based on the weight of the number of animals of the subcategories calf, fattening male cattle, fattening heifer and heifer for replacement. For the sows' category, an average weighted nitrogen excretion rate is calculated taking in account the nitrogen excretion from piglets (swine less than 20 kg).

**Table 5.26 Nitrogen excretion rates for main livestock categories (kg N head<sup>-1</sup> yr<sup>-1</sup>)**

Year	Dairy cattle	Non-dairy cattle	Buffalo	Other swine	Sows
	(kg N head <sup>-1</sup> yr <sup>-1</sup> )				
1990	104.85	50.00	94.32	13.13	28.10
1995	112.58	49.86	92.84	13.10	27.86
2000	105.65	50.08	91.20	12.96	27.87
2005	105.70	49.76	95.28	12.84	28.30
2010	102.02	50.01	81.99	12.85	28.36
2011	101.37	49.68	78.53	12.92	28.44
2012	101.45	51.87	72.69	13.74	28.13
2013	100.94	51.67	69.24	13.62	28.42
2014	102.63	51.35	67.78	13.48	28.34
2015	103.48	51.37	63.57	13.48	28.36
2016	103.81	51.76	60.55	13.59	28.43
2017	105.15	51.88	60.60	13.54	28.44
2018	105.95	52.45	60.37	13.45	28.53
2019	106.44	52.18	59.38	13.44	28.55

For verification purpose, a time series reported by ISTAT in the yearbooks (animal weight before slaughter) was collected (CRPA, 2006[a]). For the specific case of sheep and goats, a detailed analysis was applied with information coming from the National Association for Sheep Farming (ASSONAPA, 2006). In order to estimate the average weight for sheep and goats, breed distribution in Italy and consistency for each breed were considered (CRPA, 2006[a]; PROINCARNE, 2005).

Slurry and solid manure production parameters are set on the basis of Italian breeding characteristics, taking into account the slurry and solid manure effluents, housing systems and the distribution for the different animal categories (CRPA, 2006[a]; Bonazzi *et al.*, 2005; APAT, 2004[a]; APAT, 2004[b]).

Fractions of total annual nitrogen excretion for dairy cattle category managed in solid manure and liquid/slurry systems have been updated taking into account the distribution of housing systems resulting from the 2010 Agricultural Census.

#### *Indirect N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from manure management*

N<sub>2</sub>O emissions result from volatile nitrogen losses occurring primarily in the forms of ammonia and NO<sub>x</sub> and from nitrogen leaching and run-off.

N<sub>2</sub>O emissions due to atmospheric deposition of NH<sub>3</sub> and NO<sub>x</sub> have been estimated following the IPCC Tier 2 approach (Equation 10.26 and 10.27 of the 2006 IPCC Guidelines, volume 4, chapter 10). Parameters used are: total N excreted by livestock (kg head<sup>-1</sup>yr<sup>-1</sup>), the fraction of total annual nitrogen excretion for each

livestock category managed in each manure management systems,  $Frac_{GasMS}$  emission factor, which is the percentage of managed manure nitrogen that volatilises as  $NH_3$  and  $NO_x$  in the manure management systems (see Table 5.27) and emission factor 0.01 kg  $N_2O-N$  per kg  $NH_3-N$  and  $NO_x-N$  emitted (IPCC, 2006). The  $Frac_{GasMS}$  emission factor is equal to the ratio between the amount of  $NH_3-N$  and  $NO_x-N$  emissions at housing and storage system and the total nitrogen excreted.

$NH_3$  and  $NO_x$  emissions are estimated on the basis of the methodology indicated in the EMEP/EEA Guidebook for transboundary air pollutants. The estimation procedure for  $NH_3$  and  $NO_x$  emissions of the manure management category consists in successive subtractions from the quantification of nitrogen excreted annually for each livestock category. This quantity can be divided in two different fluxes, depending on whether animals are inside (housing, storage and manure application) or outside the stable (grazing). More in detail, part of the nitrogen excreted in housing volatilizes during the settle of manure in the stable and it is calculated with the relevant emission factor in housing for the different livestock; this amount is therefore subtracted from the total nitrogen excreted to derive the amount of nitrogen for storage. During storage another fraction of nitrogen is lost (calculated with the relevant emission factor for storage), and is therefore subtracted to obtain the amount of nitrogen available for the agronomic spreading. Losses occurring during the spreading are finally calculated with the specific emission factor for spreading. For the nitrogen excreted in the pasture, losses due to volatilization, calculated with the relevant emission factor for grazing by livestock, only occur at this stage. Ammonia and  $NO_x$  emissions coming from housing and storage by each livestock category are then summed and divided by the total nitrogen excreted for each year (CRPA, 2006[a]). Ammonia emissions related to the housing and storage by cattle, swine and laying hens categories have been updated based on the basis of ISTAT statistics such as 2010 Agricultural Census and 2013 Farm Structure Survey related to the distribution of housing and storage systems. In relation to the ammonia emissions from storage,  $NH_3$  emissions from digesters biogas facilities (in particular due to different phases of the process: during storage of feedstock on the premises of the biogas facility; during open storage of the digestate) have been estimated taking into account the amount of excreted nitrogen feeding anaerobic digesters and the Tier 1 emission factor derived by the EMEP/EEA Guidebook (EMEP/EEA, 2019).  $NH_3$  emissions from digesters biogas facilities have been subtracted from manure management category (only for cattle, swine and poultry categories) and allocated in the anaerobic digestion at biogas facilities (5B2 of the waste sector in the NFR classification under UNECE/LRTAP Convention). The percentage of nitrogen lost through  $N-NH_3$  emissions from anaerobic digesters was subtracted from the percentage of nitrogen left after emissions during housing and storage, reducing the amount of nitrogen used at the spreading. The amount of nitrogen used at the spreading also includes the digestate.

$N_2O$  emissions due to nitrogen leaching and run-off have been estimated and reported.

For estimating of  $N_2O$  emissions due to nitrogen leaching and run-off the IPCC Tier 2 approach was followed (Equation 10.28 of the 2006 IPCC Guidelines, volume 4, chapter 10). Parameters used are: total N excreted by livestock (kg head<sup>-1</sup>yr<sup>-1</sup>), the fraction of total annual nitrogen excretion for each livestock category managed in each manure management systems,  $Frac_{LeachMS}$  emission factor, which is the percent of managed manure nitrogen losses due to leaching and runoff during solid and liquid storage of manure (see Table 5.27) and emission factor 0.0075 kg  $N_2O-N$  per kg N leaching/runoff (IPCC, 2006).

The national legislation (as well as the regional ones) requires that the storage of liquid manure is in containers with waterproof bottom. The solid storage should have the concrete or similar materials on the bottom and the leachate collection system. Nevertheless, manure heaps near the field are permitted for limited time after storage aimed at spreading (CRPA, 2016[b]). Leaching of N during manure management is thus restricted to these manure heaps after storage. On the basis of this information,  $Frac_{LeachMS}$  emission factor is assumed equal to 1% (the lower bound of the typical range, reported in 2006 IPCC Guidelines) and  $Frac_{LeachMS}$  is applied on the amount of N after the N volatilized from manure management is subtracted, because most N will already be volatilized before installing the manure heaps near the field.

**Table 5.27 Parameters used for the estimation of  $N_2O$  indirect emissions**

Year	N excreted (t N)	$Frac_{GasMS}$ (%)	N volatilised as $NH_3$ and $NO_x$ (t N)	N excreted housing minus N volatilised (t N)	$Frac_{LeachMS}$ (%)	N leached from manure management (t N)
1990	929,662	23.77	221,026	531,931	1.0	5,319
1995	931,900	22.22	207,089	520,402	1.0	5,204
2000	914,896	21.78	199,232	506,633	1.0	5,066
2005	812,842	22.43	182,353	475,669	1.0	4,757
2010	791,821	22.60	178,954	455,721	1.0	4,557
2011	790,618	22.35	176,669	456,443	1.0	4,564

Year	N excreted (t N)	Frac <sub>GasMS</sub> (%)	N volatilised as NH <sub>3</sub> and NO <sub>x</sub> (t N)	N excreted housing minus N volatilised (t N)	Frac <sub>LeachMS</sub> (%)	N leached from manure management (t N)
2012	778,051	22.38	174,135	459,130	1.0	4,591
2013	787,614	22.01	173,352	465,699	1.0	4,657
2014	779,610	21.86	170,444	461,540	1.0	4,615
2015	781,226	21.83	170,524	463,046	1.0	4,630
2016	791,885	21.76	172,277	468,539	1.0	4,685
2017	791,472	21.74	172,075	470,533	1.0	4,705
2018	782,018	21.65	169,298	464,704	1.0	4,647
2019	778,685	21.23	165,328	467,020	1.0	4,670

### 5.3.3

#### 5.3.4 Uncertainty and time-series consistency

Uncertainty of CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from manure management has been estimated equal to 20.6%, as a combination of 5% and 20% for activity data and emission factors, respectively. Uncertainty of indirect N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from manure management has been estimated equal to 50.2%, as a combination of 5% and 50% for activity data and emission factors, respectively.

In the 2012 submission, Montecarlo analysis was also applied to estimate uncertainty of these two categories. The resulting figures were 22.96% and 10.19% for CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from manure management, respectively. Normal and lognormal distributions have been assumed for the parameters; at the same time, whenever assumptions or constraints on variables were known this information has been appropriately reflected on the range of distribution values. A summary of the results is reported in Annex 1.

In 2019, CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from manure management were 14.7% (165.27 Gg CH<sub>4</sub>) lower than in 1990 (193.72 Gg CH<sub>4</sub>). From 1990 to 2019, dairy and non-dairy cattle livestock population decreased by 37.8% and 15.2%, respectively, while swine increased by 2.2% (in particular, sows decrease by 14.6% and other swine increase by 3.9%).

The reduction of manure management emissions has mainly driven down by the number of cattle. For cattle category until 2016, CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from biogas produced by anaerobic digesters fed with animal manure must be added to the emissions from manure management and not deducted because of the plant biogas losses are greater than avoided emissions due to biogas recovery. Cattle CH<sub>4</sub> emissions contribute with 48.9% (in 1990 with 58.7%) to total CH<sub>4</sub> manure management emissions and swine with 42.2% (35.2% in 1990). For swine and poultry, the reduction of manure management emissions is also due to the reduction in CH<sub>4</sub> because of biogas recovery.

In Table 5.28, CH<sub>4</sub> emission trends from manure management (including emissions from pasture) are shown. These emissions considered the reduction of CH<sub>4</sub> because of biogas recovery.

**Table 5.28 Trend in CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from manure management (Gg)**

Year	Dairy cattle	Non-dairy cattle	Buffalo	Sows	Other swine	Sheep	Goats	Horses	Mules and asses	Poultry	Rabbits	Fur animals	Ostriches	Total
1990	59.72	53.94	1.77	14.40	53.73	1.90	0.20	0.47	0.07	6.10	1.19	0.22	0.00	193.72
1995	47.07	57.37	2.72	15.12	50.48	2.32	0.22	0.52	0.03	6.84	1.37	0.15	0.03	184.24
2000	46.73	54.28	3.42	15.53	51.51	2.38	0.22	0.46	0.03	6.48	1.43	0.16	0.22	182.84
2005	46.69	53.55	4.27	15.96	56.04	1.69	0.15	0.46	0.02	6.61	1.64	0.14	0.16	187.39
2010	44.58	46.30	6.76	15.98	57.37	1.66	0.15	0.61	0.04	6.54	1.44	0.09	0.03	181.55
2011	44.64	46.53	6.35	15.78	57.70	1.67	0.15	0.61	0.04	6.46	1.40	0.11	0.03	181.48
2012	45.51	42.96	5.80	13.59	58.56	1.48	0.14	0.65	0.05	6.34	1.40	0.11	0.03	176.62
2013	44.94	43.14	6.44	13.21	57.79	1.51	0.15	0.64	0.05	6.34	1.32	0.12	0.03	175.69
2014	43.29	41.29	5.89	13.07	58.61	1.51	0.15	0.64	0.06	6.26	1.31	0.12	0.03	172.23
2015	42.21	40.63	5.65	13.00	58.62	1.51	0.15	0.63	0.06	6.25	1.26	0.12	0.02	170.12
2016	41.16	41.19	5.62	12.49	57.85	1.54	0.16	0.63	0.06	6.30	1.22	0.11	0.02	168.35
2017	40.34	41.67	5.86	12.57	58.35	1.52	0.15	0.60	0.06	6.06	1.12	0.12	0.02	168.45
2018	38.14	42.80	5.83	12.50	57.11	1.51	0.15	0.60	0.06	5.87	0.97	0.10	0.02	165.67
2019	37.03	43.73	5.71	12.49	57.23	1.48	0.16	0.60	0.06	5.79	0.87	0.10	0.02	165.27

In Table 5.29, N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from liquid systems, solid storage and 'other' sources are shown.

**Table 5.29 Trend in N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from manure management (Gg)**

Year	Direct emissions			Indirect emissions	Total
	Liquid system	Solid storage	Other		
	<b>Gg</b>				
<b>1990</b>	2.89	3.03	0.00	3.54	<b>9.45</b>
<b>1995</b>	2.71	3.00	0.00	3.32	<b>9.02</b>
<b>2000</b>	2.53	3.01	0.00	3.19	<b>8.73</b>
<b>2005</b>	2.34	2.79	0.00	2.92	<b>8.05</b>
<b>2010</b>	2.43	2.49	0.00	2.87	<b>7.78</b>
<b>2011</b>	2.39	2.43	0.00	2.83	<b>7.65</b>
<b>2012</b>	2.32	2.35	0.00	2.79	<b>7.47</b>
<b>2013</b>	2.21	2.27	0.00	2.78	<b>7.26</b>
<b>2014</b>	2.16	2.20	0.00	2.73	<b>7.10</b>
<b>2015</b>	2.18	2.22	0.00	2.73	<b>7.14</b>
<b>2016</b>	2.19	2.26	0.00	2.76	<b>7.22</b>
<b>2017</b>	2.21	2.25	0.00	2.76	<b>7.22</b>
<b>2018</b>	2.18	2.21	0.00	2.72	<b>7.11</b>
<b>2019</b>	2.16	2.18	0.00	2.65	<b>6.99</b>

In 2019, N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from manure management were 26.1% (6.99 Gg N<sub>2</sub>O) lower than in 1990 (9.45 Gg N<sub>2</sub>O). The major contribution of direct emissions is given by the ‘solid system’ with 50.2% (in 1990 with 51.2%). In 2019, indirect N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from manure management account for 38.0% of total N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from manure management and were 25.0% (2.65 Gg N<sub>2</sub>O) lower than in 1990 (3.54 Gg N<sub>2</sub>O).

### 5.3.5 Source-specific QA/QC and verification

A study carried out by the CRPA in 2018 (CRPA, 2018) mentioned before also includes a survey on the digesters and the outcomes of the survey have been used to update the estimates as described in the paragraph 5.3.2.

A check was carried out on the VS values. An average of the time series of VS values was calculated for cattle. Three weighted mean values were calculated. The first was obtained using Husted values of 142.7 g VS/kg for solid manure and 47.5 g VS/kg for slurry. The second was obtained from the VS kg/head/day values calculated using Equation 10.24 of the 2006 IPCC Guidelines, which uses the data to estimate enteric emissions. The third was calculated as an average of the VS values measured by CRPA. Specifically, a crude average of VS values for manure and slurry was calculated from approximately 400 samples analysed in the period 2001-2019; from the average VS values for manure and slurry, a weighted average was calculated. The values obtained were 98.2, 93.5 and 117.4 g VS/kg manure, respectively. This verification supports the estimates made, based on the Husted factors, but further investigations will be carried out.

For verification purposes, the  $Frac_{GasMS}$  parameter have been also estimated as a fraction of nitrogen recovered and stored that is emitted as N-NH<sub>3</sub>-NO<sub>x</sub>-N<sub>2</sub>O-N<sub>2</sub>. This value is equal to 0.324, for 1990, and to 0.290 in 2019. As recommended by the 2019 UNFCCC review, starting from the data on amount of solid and slurry manure produced, used in the estimate of CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from manure management, the amount of straw added to the manure during housing was calculated. The estimated amount of straw for cattle and buffalo bedding was compared with the annual amount of wheat and barley straw used for various purposes. It was found that cattle and buffalo bedding is equal to 86% of the amount of wheat and barley straw.

### 5.3.6 Source-specific recalculations

CH<sub>4</sub> emissions have been recalculated because of the following data updating: the average monthly temperatures; the coefficients of cattle and buffalo manure production for the years 2007-2015; the weight of the category other poultry (which affects the coefficient of manure produced) for the years 2007-2015; the number of broilers and laying hens in the period 2001-2009 and since 2011.

On the basis of updated temperatures, cattle and swine allocation rates in temperate zones and MCF were recalculated.

Minor errors in the estimation of slurry and solid manure coefficients of other cattle were corrected, implying variations in CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from manure management.

N<sub>2</sub>O emissions have been recalculated because of the updating of the N excreted for dairy cattle from the year 2000. Following the update of the gross energy intake (GE), based on the estimation of the parameters digestibility (DE) of diet and methane conversion factor (Y<sub>m</sub>), the excreted nitrogen value of dairy cows was updated from the year 2004. Excreted nitrogen is in fact calculated from GE using equations 10.31-10.33 of the 2006 IPCC Guidelines. In addition, the percentage for protein in diet has been updated from the year 2000 respect to the previous submission. This parameter is used with GE in the estimation of excreted nitrogen.

N<sub>2</sub>O emissions also have been recalculated because of the following data updating: the nitrogen quantities in livestock manure sent to anaerobic digestion; the number of broilers and laying hens in the period 2001-2009 and since 2011; the cattle and buffalo effluent production coefficients and field nitrogen coefficients for the years 2007-2015 and 2017-2018 (implying changes in the distribution of nitrogen stored between liquid and solid); the weight and excreted nitrogen coefficient of other poultry for the years 2007-2015; the excreted nitrogen coefficient for buffalo and calves from 2007 to 2015.

Recalculations of manure production coefficients and excreted nitrogen coefficients have been done on the basis of the data contained in the Ministerial Decree of 25 February 2016 on the use of zootechnical effluents (GU, 2016[a]).

### 5.3.7 Source-specific planned improvements

In Table 5.30, future improvements in agreement with the QA/QC plan are presented.

**Table 5.30 Improvements for manure management category according to the QA/QC plan**

Category/sub category	Parameter	Year of submission		Activities
		2021	2022	
Livestock categories	CH <sub>4</sub> EFs		√	On the basis of the updated provincial average temperature data, the emission factors will be updated, calculated as a weighted average of the default emission factors assigned to the provinces according to climate zone.

For what concerns the methodology to estimate methane emissions from storage, developed by Husted, as recommended by the 2019 UNFCCC review, the possibility of using the IPCC equations 10.23-24 with the country specific values of the parameters to carry out the estimate of the emissions will be assessed, also on the basis of the data of the CRPA, which carried out around 400 analyzes on zootechnical waste in the period 2001-2019, collecting data on solids total and volatile solids. However, it should be emphasised that the methodology adopted allows methane emissions to be estimated taking into account national characteristics that influence emissions from manure storage and that would be lost if the IPCC equations were used to estimate methane emissions from manure storage.

As recommended by the 2019 UNFCCC review, further assessments will be made on the estimation of methane emissions from storage, considering estimating emissions according to both temperate and cool climate zones and updating temperatures every year (or every four years, depending on the availability of livestock statistics at provincial level), also assessing the time needed and expected improvements.

Parameters used for this submission are shown in Table 5.31.

**Table 5.31 Parameters used for the different livestock categories (2019)**

Livestock category			Average weight (kg)	N excretion (kg N head <sup>-1</sup> yr <sup>-1</sup> )
<b>DAIRY CATTLE</b>			602.7	106.44
<b>NON- DAIRY CATTLE</b>			387.4 (**)	52.18 (**)
<b>Less than 1 year (*)</b>			205.4 (**)	25.53 (**)
<b>From 1 year - less than 2 years</b>				
	Male	for reproduction	557.0	66.8
		for slaughter	557.0	66.8
	Female	for breeding	405.0	67.6
		for slaughter	444.0	53.3
<b>From 2 years and more</b>				
	Male	for reproduction	700.0	84.0
		for slaughter and work	700.0	84.0
	Female	Breeding heifer	540.0	90.2
		Slaughter heifer	540.0	64.8

Livestock category	Average weight (kg)	N excretion (kg N head <sup>-1</sup> yr <sup>-1</sup> )	
	Other non dairy cattle (***)	557.0	54.1
<b>BUFFALO</b>		499.0 (**)	59.38 (**)
	Cow buffalo	630.0	71.31
	Other buffaloes	319.5	43.0
<b>OTHER SWINE</b>		88.0 (**)	13.44 (**)
<b>Weight less than 20 kg</b>		10.0	
<b>From 20 kg weight and under 50 kg</b>		35.0	5.3
<b>From 50 kg and more</b>			
	Boar	200.0	30.5
	For slaughter		
	from 50 to 80 kg	65.0	9.9
	from 80 to 110 kg	95.0	14.5
	from 110 kg and more	135.0	20.6
<b>SOWS</b>		172.1	28.55 (**)
<b>SHEEP</b>	Sheep	51.1	16.2
	Other sheep	20.8	16.2
<b>GOATS</b>	Goats	53.8	16.2
	Other goats	14.9	16.2
<b>EQUINE</b>	Horses	550.0	50.0
	Mules and asses	300.0	50.0
<b>POULTRY</b>	Broilers	1.2	0.36
	Layer hens	1.8	0.66
	Other poultry	4.0	0.68
<b>RABBITS</b>	Female rabbits	4.0	2.5
	Other rabbits	1.3	0.8
<b>FUR ANIMALS</b>		1.0	4.1

(\*) Categories included in less than 1 year are: calf, fattening male cattle, fattening heifer and heifer for replacement;

(\*\*) values are variable for the time series.

(\*\*\*) Suckling cows and cows in late career.

## 5.4 Rice cultivation (3C)

### 5.4.1 Source category description

For the rice cultivation category, only CH<sub>4</sub> emissions are estimated, other GHGs do not occur; N<sub>2</sub>O from fertilisation during cultivation was estimated and reported in “Agricultural soils” under direct soil emissions - synthetic fertilizers. Methane emissions from rice cultivation have been identified as a key source at level assessment with Approach 1. In 2019, CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from rice cultivation were 63.3 Gg, which represent 8.3% of CH<sub>4</sub> emissions for the agriculture sector (8.4% in 1990) and 3.7% for national CH<sub>4</sub> emissions (3.8% in 1990).

In Italy, CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from rice cultivation are estimated only for an irrigated regime, other categories suggested by IPCC (rainfed, deep water and “other”) are not present. Methane emissions, reported in the CRF tables, represent two water regimes: single aeration (28.6 Gg) and multiple aeration (34.7 Gg).

A detailed methodology was developed, in consultation with an expert in CH<sub>4</sub> emissions and rice cultivation (Wassmann, 2005) and following outcomes of previous UNFCCC review processes. For this purpose, an expert group on rice cultivation together with the C.R.A. – Experimental Institute of Cereal Research – Rice Research Section of Vercelli was established. Different national experts from the rice cultivation sector were also contacted<sup>22</sup>.

### 5.4.2 Methodological issues

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For the estimation of CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from rice cultivation a detailed methodology was implemented following the IPCC guidelines (IPCC, 2006, volume 4, chapter 5). Country-specific circumstances have been considered. Parameters such as an adjusted integrated emission factor (kg CH<sub>4</sub> m<sup>-2</sup>day<sup>-1</sup>), cultivation period of rice (days) and annual harvested area (ha) cultivated under specific conditions are considered. Information of the cultivated surface is collected 100% from rice farmers. Every year, timely data collection is ensured by the National Rice Institute (ENR, several years [b]). Activity data information is shown in Table 5.32.

**Table 5.32 Parameters used for the calculation of CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from rice cultivation**

Parameters	Reference
Cultivated surface with “dry-seeded” technique (%)	ENR, several years [a]
Cultivated surface – national (ha)	ISTAT, several years [a],[b],[j]; ENR, several years [b]
Cultivated surface by rice varieties (ha)	ENR, several years [b]
Cultivation period of rice varieties (days)	ENR, 2011; ENR, 2014 [a],[b]; ENSE, 1999; ENSE, 2004; ENR, 2013
Methane emission factor (kg CH <sub>4</sub> m <sup>-2</sup> d <sup>-1</sup> )	Leip <i>et al.</i> , 2002; Schutz <i>et al.</i> , 1989[a], [b]; Meijide <i>et al.</i> , 2011
Crop production (t yr <sup>-1</sup> )	ISTAT, several years [a],[b],[j]
Yield (t ha <sup>-1</sup> )	Estimations based on cultivated surface and crop production data
Straw incorporation (%)	Expert judgement (Tinarelli, 2005; Lupotto <i>et al.</i> , 2005)
Agronomic practices (%)	ISTAT, 2006[b]; Tinarelli, 2005; Lupotto <i>et al.</i> , 2005; Zavattaro <i>et al.</i> , 2004; Baldoni & Giardini, 1989; Tinarelli, 1973; 1986
Scaling factors (SFw, SFp, SFo)	IPCC, 2006; Yan <i>et al.</i> , 2005

#### Rice cultivation practice

In Italy, rice is sown from mid-April to the end of May and harvested from mid-September to the end of October; the only practised system is the controlled flooding system, with variations in water regimes (Regione Emilia Romagna, 2005; Mannini, 2004; Tossato and Regis, 2002). In Table 5.33, water regimes descriptions for the most common agronomic practices in Italy are presented. Water regime trends have been estimated in collaboration with expert judgement expertise (Tinarelli, 2005; Lupotto *et al.*, 2005) and available statistics (ENR, several years [b]).

Normally, the aeration periods are very variable in number and time, depending on different circumstances, as for example, the type of herbicide, which is used (Baldoni and Giardini, 1989). Another water regime system, present in southern Italy, is the sprinkler irrigation, which exists only on experimental plots and could contribute to the diffusion of rice cultivation in areas where water availability is a limiting factor (Spanu *et al.*, 2004; Spanu and Pruneddu, 1996).

**Table 5.33 Water regimes in Italy and classification according to IPCC guidelines**

Type of seeding	April	May	June	July	August	September -October	Description
Wet-seeded “classic”	15-30 April Flooding and <u>wet-seeded</u> (*)	10 may	Herbicide treatment	Fertilizer application (1/3), soil is saturated but not flooded. Panicle formation	Final aeration	Harvest	2 aeration periods during rice cultivation, as minimum, not including the final aeration IPCC classification: Intermittently flooded – <u>multiple aeration</u>
		1°aeration-AR	2° aeration-AA	3° final aeration			
Wet-seeded “red rice control”	15 April Flooding and <u>wet-seeded</u> (*)	First application of herbicides, the soil is dry. Approximately, on 15 may flooding and after some days seeding	At the end of June, fertilization treatment	Fertilizer application (1/3), soil is saturated but not flooded. Panicle formation	Final aeration	Harvest	2 aeration periods during rice cultivation, as minimum, not including the final aeration. In some cases, between April and May, even 3 aeration periods are practised. IPCC classification: Intermittently flooded – <u>multiple aeration</u>
		1° aeration – AC	3°aeration - AA	Final aeration			

		Approx. after 10 days 2° aeration - AR				
<b>Dry-seeded with delay flooding</b>	15 April <u>Dry-seeded</u>	Approximately, on 15 may flooding	Herbicide treatment	Fertilizer application (1/3), soil is saturated but not flooded. Panicle formation	Harvest	1 aeration period during rice cultivation, as minimum, not including the final aeration. IPCC classification: Intermittently flooded – <u>single aeration</u>
			1° aeration- AA	2° final aeration		

(\*) the first fertilization (2/3) during the initial part of the rice cultivation, generally on July there is a second period for the fertilization (1/3), normally there is no aeration during the second fertilization period. Aeration periods have mostly have last between 5-15 days and are classified as follows: AC=aeration to control red rice; AR=drained, aeration in order to promote rice rooting; AA=drained, tillering aeration.

In general, rice seeds are mechanically broadcasted in flooded fields. However, in Italy for the last 15 years, the seeds are also drilled to dry soil in rows. The rice which has been planted in dry soil is generally managed as a dry crop until it reaches the 3-4 leaf stage. After this period, the rice is flooded and grows in continuous submersion, as in the conventional system (Ferrero and Nguyen, 2004; Russo, 1994).

During the cultivation period, water is commonly kept at a depth of 4-8 cm, and drained away 2-3 times during the season to improve crop rooting, to reduce algae growth and to allow application of herbicides. Rice fields are drained at the end of August to allow harvesting, once in a year (Ferrero and Nguyen, 2004; Baldoni and Giardini, 1989; Tinarelli, 1973; Tinarelli, 1986).

Nitrogen is generally the most limiting plant nutrient in rice production and is subject to losses because of the reduction processes (denitrification) and leaching. Sufficient nitrogen should be applied pre-plant or pre-flood to assure that rice plant needs no additional nitrogen until panicle initiation or panicle differentiation stage. When additional nitrogen is required, it should be top-dressed at either of these plant stages or whenever nitrogen deficiency symptoms appear. The above-mentioned applications are usually used in two or three periods; the first period is always before sowing, that is on dry soil, while the others occur during the growing season (Russo, 2001; Russo, 1993; Russo *et al.*, 1990; Baldoni and Giardini, 1989).

In Italy, another type of fertilization practise is the incorporation of straw. The incorporation period can vary according to weather conditions, but probably mainly incorporated approximately one month before flooding (Russo, 1988; Russo 1976). Rice straw is often burned in the field, otherwise incorporated into the soil or buried. For other agronomic practice, a national publication has been considered for understanding fertilizer and crop residues management (Zavattaro *et al.*, 2004).

#### *Methane emission factor*

An analysis on recent and past literature, for the CH<sub>4</sub> daily EF (kg CH<sub>4</sub> m<sup>-2</sup> d<sup>-1</sup>) was done. Different scientific publications related to the CH<sub>4</sub> daily EF measurements in Italian rice fields were revised (Marik *et al.*, 2002; Leip *et al.*, 2002; Dan *et al.*, 2001; Butterbach-Bahl *et al.*, 1997; Schutz *et al.*, 1989[a], [b]; Holzapfel-Pschorn & Seiler, 1986). Other publications indirectly related with CH<sub>4</sub> production were also considered (Kruger *et al.*, 2005; Weber *et al.*, 2001; Dannenberg & Conrad, 1999; Roy *et al.*, 1997). Butterbach-Bahl *et al.* have presented interesting results associated to the difference in EFs of two cultivation periods (1990 and 1991). In these consecutive years, fields planted with rice cultivar Lido showed a level of CH<sub>4</sub> emissions 24-31% lower than fields planted with cultivar Roma. Marik *et al.* have published detailed information on agronomic practices (fertilized fields) related to measurements of CH<sub>4</sub> emission factor for years 1998 and 1999; values are similar to those presented in previous publications (Schutz *et al.*, 1989[a], [b]; Holzapfel-Pschorn & Seiler, 1986). Leip *et al.* have published specific CH<sub>4</sub> EF for the so called dry-seeded with delay flooding, as shown in Table 5.34. The dry-seeded technique could bring interesting benefits in emission reduction, since lower emission rates compared with normal agronomic practices, were determined experimentally.

The estimation of CH<sub>4</sub> emissions for the rice cultivation category considers an irrigated regime, which includes intermittently flooded with single aeration and multiple aeration regimes. The CH<sub>4</sub> emission factor is adjusted with the following parameters: a daily integrated emission factor for continuously flooded fields without organic fertilizers, a scaling factor to account for the differences in water regime in the rice growing season (*SF<sub>w</sub>*), a scaling factor to account for the differences in water regime in the pre-season status (*SF<sub>p</sub>*) and a scaling factor which varies for both types and amount of amendment applied (*SF<sub>o</sub>*). Scaling factor parameters have been updated according to literature (Yan *et al.*, 2005) and the IPCC 2006 Guidelines (IPCC, 2006, volume 4, chapter 5).

In 2014, the cultivation period (days) for some rice varieties (ENR, 2014 [a], [b]; ENSE, 1999; ENSE, 2004; ENR, 2013) has been revised. Despite the upload of the vegetation period of some varieties, the estimate of the average value for water regime does not change the previous values. The Joint Research Centre Institute for Environment and Sustainability - Climate Change Unit, in charge of measuring rice paddy fields in Italy, has been contacted to obtain data related to measurements carried out in the latest years. On the basis of the documentation received, the daily emission factor for continuously flooded fields without organic amendments from 2009 (Meijide et al., 2011) has been assessed. The emission factor is based on experimental measurements carried out in 2009 in an area in the Po Valley, in Northern Italy, where rice cultivation is most widespread. The value is slightly lower than the previous one. Assumptions of agronomic practices and parameters used for CH<sub>4</sub> emission estimations are shown in Table 5.33 and Table 5.34, respectively. Total CH<sub>4</sub> emissions for rice cultivation in 2019 were 63.33 Gg.

**Table 5.34 Parameters used for estimating CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from rice cultivation in 2019**

<b>Rice cultivation water regimes:</b> Intermittently flooded	<b>Single aeration</b>	<b>Multiple aeration</b>	<b>Multiple aeration</b>
Type of seeding	Dry-seeded	Wet-seeded ( <i>classic</i> )	Wet-seeded ( <i>red rice control</i> )
Surface (ha)	114,569	47,456	58,002
Daily EF (g CH <sub>4</sub> m <sup>-2</sup> d <sup>-1</sup> )	0.20	0.27	0.27
<i>SF<sub>w</sub></i>	0.60	0.52	0.52
<i>SF<sub>p</sub></i>	0.68	0.68	0.68
<i>SF<sub>o</sub></i>	2.2	2.2	2.2
Adjusted daily EF (g CH <sub>4</sub> m <sup>-2</sup> d <sup>-1</sup> )	0.18	0.21	0.21
Days of cultivation (days)	139	157	157
Seasonal EF (g CH <sub>4</sub> m <sup>-2</sup> yr <sup>-1</sup> )	24.94	32.95	32.95
<b>Methane emissions (Gg)</b>	<b>28.58</b>	<b>15.64</b>	<b>19.11</b>

### 5.4.3 Uncertainty and time-series consistency

Uncertainty of emissions from rice cultivation has been estimated equal to 11.2% as a combination of 5% and 10% for activity data and emissions factor, respectively.

Lack of experimental data and knowledge about the occurrence and duration of drainage periods in Italy is the major cause of uncertainty. Moreover, it is not easy to quantify the surface where the traditional or the different number of aerations is practiced, which depends on the degree and the type of infestation, and the positive or negative results of the herbicide treatment application (Spanu, 2006).

In 2019, CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from rice cultivation were 15.6% (63.33 Gg CH<sub>4</sub>) lower than in 1990 (75.06 Gg CH<sub>4</sub>). In Italy, the driving force of CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from rice cultivation is the harvest area and the percentage of single aerated surface (lower CH<sub>4</sub> emission factor). From 1990-2019, the harvest area has increased by 2.1%, from 215,442 ha year<sup>-1</sup> (1990) to 220,027 ha year<sup>-1</sup> (2019). The percentage of single aerated surface has increased from 1.0% (1990) to 52.1% (2019). In Table 5.35, CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from rice cultivation and harvested area are shown.

**Table 5.35 Harvest area and CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from the rice cultivation sector**

<b>Year</b>	<b>Harvested area (10<sup>9</sup>m<sup>2</sup> yr<sup>-1</sup>)</b>	<b>CH<sub>4</sub> emissions (Gg)</b>
<b>1990</b>	2.15	75.06
<b>1995</b>	2.39	79.56
<b>2000</b>	2.20	66.26
<b>2005</b>	2.24	70.09
<b>2010</b>	2.48	72.89
<b>2011</b>	2.47	72.22
<b>2012</b>	2.35	71.57
<b>2013</b>	2.16	66.45
<b>2014</b>	2.20	64.54
<b>2015</b>	2.27	66.73
<b>2016</b>	2.34	68.60
<b>2017</b>	2.30	65.83
<b>2018</b>	2.17	64.05

Year	Harvested area (10 <sup>9</sup> m <sup>2</sup> yr <sup>-1</sup> )	CH <sub>4</sub> emissions (Gg)
2019	2.20	63.33

#### 5.4.4 Source-specific QA/QC and verification

Systematic quality control activities have been carried out in order to ensure completeness and consistency in time series and correctness in the sum of sub-categories. Data entries have been checked several times during the compilation of the inventory. Several QA activities are carried out in the different phases of the inventory process. The quality of the Italian rice emission inventory was verified with the Denitrification Decomposition model (DNDC). Initial results have found a high correspondence between the EFs used for the Italian inventory and those simulated with DNDC model (Leip and Bocchi, 2007).

In particular, the applied methodology has been presented and discussed during several national workshop and expert meeting, collecting findings and comments to be incorporated in the estimation process. All the agriculture categories have been embedded in the overall QA/QC-system of the Italian GHG inventory. In November 2014, the CH<sub>4</sub> emission factors used for the rice cultivation category in the Italian emissions inventory were presented at the 9<sup>th</sup> Expert Meeting on Data for the IPCC Emission Factor Database (EFDB) and the values were entered into the database.

#### 5.4.5 Source-specific recalculations

CH<sub>4</sub> emissions have been recalculated because of the update of the rice production in 2017 and 2018 and the area for dry rice sowing for the year 2018.

#### 5.4.6 Source-specific planned improvements

Provincial estimations on the basis of the relation between emissions and temperature would result in further possible improvements, even if enhancement would be limited since the largest Italian rice production is in the Po valley, where monthly temperatures of the rice paddies are similar. In 1990, *Piemonte* and *Lombardia* regions represented 95% of the national surface area of rice cultivation, while in 2016 they represented 93% (ENR, several years [b]; Confalonieri and Bocchi, 2005).

## 5.5 Agriculture soils (3D)

### 5.5.1 Source category description

In 2019, N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from managed soils were 26.95 Gg, representing 79.4% of N<sub>2</sub>O emissions for the agriculture sector (78.2% in 1990) and 46.6% for national N<sub>2</sub>O emissions (38.8% in 1990). N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from this source consist of direct emissions from managed soils (21.73 Gg) and indirect emissions from managed soils (5.22 Gg).

Direct and indirect N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from managed soils are key sources at level assessment, both with Approach 1 and Approach 2. Direct N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from managed soils are key sources at trend assessment, with Approach 2 including the LULUCF sector.

For direct emissions from managed soils the following sources are estimated: inorganic nitrogen fertilizers; organic nitrogen fertilizers, which include animal manure applied to soils, sewage sludge applied to soils, other organic fertilizers applied to soils (as compost and other organic amendments used as fertiliser); urine and dung deposited by grazing animals; crop residues; cultivation of organic soils (i.e. histosols). Mineralised nitrogen resulting from loss of soil organic C stocks in mineral soils through land-use change or management practices (F<sub>SOM</sub>) has been assumed as not applicable; agricultural practices result in no losses of carbon in cropland remaining cropland and therefore these do not generate N<sub>2</sub>O emissions, as reported in the 2006 IPCC Guidelines.

For indirect emissions from managed soils, atmospheric deposition and nitrogen leaching and run-off are estimated. Nitrous oxide emissions from grazing animals are calculated together with the manure management category on the basis of nitrogen excretion, and reported in agricultural soils under “Urine and dung deposited by grazing animals” (see Table 5.36).

CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from managed soils have not been estimated as in the IPCC Guidelines the methodology is not available.

**Table 5.36 N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from managed soils (Gg)**

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
<b>Direct N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from managed soils</b>	<b>27.21</b>	<b>28.54</b>	<b>28.05</b>	<b>26.40</b>	<b>22.16</b>	<b>23.35</b>	<b>24.19</b>	<b>22.42</b>	<b>22.15</b>	<b>21.98</b>	<b>23.00</b>	<b>22.52</b>	<b>21.96</b>	<b>21.73</b>
Inorganic N fertilizers	11.94	12.57	12.30	12.25	8.30	8.51	10.74	8.59	7.94	8.14	8.91	8.22	7.78	7.34
Organic N fertilizers	8.64	8.51	8.40	7.87	7.88	8.86	8.09	8.25	8.43	8.21	8.26	8.77	8.42	8.62
a. Animal manure applied to soils	8.30	8.10	7.88	7.38	7.07	7.08	7.12	7.21	7.14	7.16	7.25	7.28	7.20	7.24
b. Sewage sludge applied to soils	0.08	0.13	0.17	0.14	0.16	0.17	0.20	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.12	0.11	0.11	0.11
c. Other organic fertilizers applied to soils	0.26	0.28	0.35	0.35	0.65	1.60	0.77	0.91	1.17	0.92	0.90	1.38	1.11	1.27
Urine and dung deposited by grazing animals	3.09	3.50	3.57	2.68	2.71	2.71	2.52	2.58	2.57	2.57	2.63	2.59	2.57	2.55
Crop residues	3.25	3.67	3.48	3.30	2.99	2.98	2.54	2.70	2.92	2.78	2.91	2.65	2.90	2.94
Cultivation of organic soils	0.29	0.29	0.29	0.29	0.29	0.29	0.29	0.29	0.29	0.29	0.29	0.29	0.29	0.29
<b>Indirect N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from managed soils</b>	<b>6.72</b>	<b>6.90</b>	<b>6.73</b>	<b>6.28</b>	<b>5.28</b>	<b>5.56</b>	<b>5.92</b>	<b>5.44</b>	<b>5.31</b>	<b>5.28</b>	<b>5.58</b>	<b>5.42</b>	<b>5.24</b>	<b>5.22</b>
Atmospheric deposition	2.60	2.57	2.47	2.27	1.93	2.02	2.25	2.05	1.96	1.96	2.10	2.01	1.92	1.93
Nitrogen leaching and run-off	4.12	4.34	4.26	4.01	3.35	3.54	3.67	3.39	3.35	3.32	3.48	3.41	3.32	3.29

ISPRA is in charge of collecting, elaborating and reporting the UNFCCC/CLRTAP agriculture national emission inventory, thus, consistency among methodologies and parameters is ensured. The nitrogen balance, from the CLRTAP emission inventory, feeds the UNFCCC inventory, specifically for the estimation of:  $F_{\text{GasMS}}$  parameter, used for calculating managed manure nitrogen available for application to managed soils (Equation 10.34 of 2006 IPCC Guidelines, volume 4, chapter 10) and to assess  $F_{\text{AM}}$ ;  $F_{\text{GASMS}}$  and  $F_{\text{GASF}}$  parameters, used for calculating indirect N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from atmospheric deposition of nitrogen volatilised from managed soils (Equation 11.9 of 2006 IPCC Guidelines). Direct and indirect N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from the use of sewage sludge in agricultural soils have been estimated and reported.

### 5.5.2 Methodological issues

Methodologies used for estimating N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from “Agricultural soils” follow the IPCC approach (Tier1). IPCC emission factors (IPCC, 2006, volume 4, chapter 11) and assessed by the Research Centre on Animal Production (CRPA, 2000; CRPA, 1997[b]) are used. Activity data used for estimations are shown in Table 5.37.

**Table 5.37 Data used for estimating agricultural soil emissions**

Data	Reference
Fertilizer distributed (t/yr)	ISTAT, several years [a], [b], [i]
Nitrogen content (%)	ISTAT, several years [a], [b], [i]
N excretion rates (kg head <sup>-1</sup> yr <sup>-1</sup> )	CRPA, 2006[a]; GU, 2006; Xiccato <i>et al.</i> , 2005
Cultivated surface (ha yr <sup>-1</sup> )	ISTAT, several years [a], [b], [j]
Annual crop production (t yr <sup>-1</sup> )	ISTAT, several years [a], [b], [j]
Residue/crop product ratio by crop type	CESTAAT, 1988
Crop residue production (t dry matter ha <sup>-1</sup> yr <sup>-1</sup> )	CRPA/CNR, 1992
Dry matter content by crop type	CRPA/CNR, 1992
Protein content in dry matter by crop type	CESTAAT, 1988
Livestock data	ISTAT, several years [a], [b], [g]

The estimation of direct N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from managed soils has been carried out in line with the IPCC guidelines (IPCC, 2006), taking into account country-specific peculiarities; N<sub>2</sub>O-N emissions are estimated from the amount of: inorganic nitrogen fertilizers (F<sub>SN</sub>); organic nitrogen fertilizers (F<sub>ON</sub>), which include animal manure applied to soils (F<sub>AM</sub>), sewage sludge applied to soils (F<sub>SEW</sub>), other organic fertilizers applied to soils (as compost and other organic amendments used as fertiliser, F<sub>COMP</sub> and F<sub>FOA</sub> respectively); urine and dung deposited by grazing animals (F<sub>PRP</sub>); crop residues (F<sub>CR</sub>); cultivation of histosols (F<sub>OS</sub>). Then default IPCC emission factors (IPCC, 2006, volume 4, chapter 11) are applied. Afterwards, N<sub>2</sub>O-N emissions are converted to N<sub>2</sub>O emissions, multiplying by the ratio of molecular weights (44/28). Urine and dung deposited by grazing animals emissions are estimated according to the methodology described in section 5.3.2 for manure management.

Direct N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from N inputs to managed soils include also emissions related to the application of fertilizers to the short rotation forest crops, according the 2006 IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006, par. 11.2.1.3, vol. 4, chapter 11) and consistently with the KP Supplement (IPCC, 2014, par. 2.4.4.2).

Indirect emissions are estimated as suggested by the IPCC (IPCC, 2006).

## Direct N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from managed soils

### Applied synthetic fertilizers (F<sub>SN</sub>)

The total use of synthetic fertilizers (expressed in t N year<sup>-1</sup>) is estimated for each type of fertilizer (see Table 5.38). Data on synthetic fertilizers are from ISTAT as reported in paragraph 5.1.3, 5.1.4 and 5.5.2. N-N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from synthetic fertilizers are obtained multiplying F<sub>SN</sub> by the emission factor, 0.01 kg N-N<sub>2</sub>O/kg N (IPCC, 2006). The subcategory “Other nitrogenous fertilizers” was introduced since 1998, because activity data is available from that year (ENEA, 2006).

The time series of nitrogen content of fertilizers is shown in Table 5.45. In 2019, the total use of synthetic fertilizers was 466,842 t N (see Table 5.38).

**Table 5.38 Total use of synthetic fertilizer in 2019 (t N yr<sup>-1</sup>)**

Type of fertilizers	Fertilizers distributed (t yr <sup>-1</sup> )	Nitrogen content (%)	Nitrogen content of synthetic fertilizers (t N yr <sup>-1</sup> )
Ammonium sulphate	56,074	18.3%	10,267
Calcium cyanamide	13,518	19.6%	2,655
Nitrates (*)	107,057	20.9%	22,332
CAN	163,341	27.0%	44,102
Urea	540,618	45.7%	247,199
Other nitric nitrogen	120,880	27.7%	1,784
Other ammoniacal nitrogen	-	-	7,335
Other amidic nitrogen	-	-	24,331
Phosphate nitrogen	209,690	16.5%	34,648
Potassium nitrogen	48,998	16.2%	7,922
NPK nitrogen	276,239	13.3%	36,686
Organic mineral	331,178	8.3%	27,581
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,867,593</b>		<b>466,842</b>

(\*) includes ammonium nitrate < 27% and ammonium nitrate > 27% and calcium nitrate

The information on amount fertilizers distributed (tonnes/year) and nitrogen contained in the fertilizers (tonnes N/year) are collected by the ISTAT based on annual questionnaires sent to Italian companies that distribute fertilizers to wholesale and/or retail commercial structures, to farmers, cooperatives, etc. Data on nitrogen content (%) reported in table 5.38 are calculated values based on two above-mentioned amounts and are not directly used in the estimations of N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from inorganic fertilizers applied to soils.

The methodology for estimating the amount of CAN used and the nitrogen content is given in section 5.9.2.

The time series of applied synthetic fertilisers is shown in Table 5.39. A strong decrease is observed in the year from 2009 to 2011 as result from the official statistics provided by the National Institute of Statistics (ISTAT), due to the economic crisis in particular for the amount of urea applied to soils. In 2012, a recovery from the sharp decline was recorded.

**Table 5.39 Trend of annual amount of synthetic fertiliser N applied to soils (t N yr<sup>-1</sup>)**

Year	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
<b>F<sub>SN</sub> (t N)</b>	759,510	799,614	782,701	779,846	528,029	517,854	567,211	522,840	495,005	466,842

**Applied organic N fertilisers (F<sub>ON</sub>)**

The amount of organic N inputs applied to soils other than by grazing animals is calculated using Equation 11.3 of the 2006 IPCC Guidelines. This includes applied animal manure (F<sub>AM</sub>), sewage sludge applied to soil (F<sub>SEW</sub>) and other organic amendments (F<sub>OOA</sub>), which also includes compost applied to soils (F<sub>COMP</sub>).

**Table 5.40 Trend of applied organic N fertilisers (t N yr<sup>-1</sup>)**

Year	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
<b>F<sub>AM</sub> (t N)</b>	528,094	515,524	501,315	469,578	450,211	455,657	461,184	463,414	458,065	460,579
<b>F<sub>SEW</sub> (t N)</b>	5,071	8,137	10,954	8,874	10,040	8,303	7,410	7,116	7,247	6,977
<b>F<sub>OOA</sub> (t N)</b>	16,518	18,116	22,571	22,308	41,125	58,488	57,204	87,706	70,450	81,050

**Animal manure N applied to soil (F<sub>AM</sub>)**

The annual amount of animal manure N applied to soils is calculated using Equation 11.4 of the 2006 IPCC Guidelines (IPCC 2006, vol. 4, chapter 11). The amount of managed manure nitrogen available for soil application is calculated using Equation 10.34 (IPCC 2006, vol. 4, chapter 10). The amount of managed manure nitrogen in manure management systems is estimated as reported in paragraph 5.3.2 “Direct N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from manure management” and country-specific nitrogen excretion rates (CRPA, 2006[a]; GU, 2006; Xiccato *et al.*, 2005) are used. Frac<sub>LossMS</sub> parameter of the Equation 10.34 is equal to:

- the managed manure nitrogen that volatilises as NH<sub>3</sub> and NO<sub>x</sub> in the manure management systems (i.e. the Frac<sub>GasMS</sub> emission factor);
- the nitrogen losses from leaching and run-off at housing and storage systems;
- the losses of N<sub>2</sub>, that are considered in response to the 2018 ESD review process<sup>23</sup>;
- the nitrogen lost through N-NH<sub>3</sub> emissions from digesters biogas facilities (during storage of feedstock on the premises of the biogas facility; during open storage of the digestate);
- the losses of N-N<sub>2</sub>O in the manure management systems.

A description of the country-specific Frac<sub>GasMS</sub> parameter and the nitrogen leaching and run-off is reported in paragraph 5.3.2 “Indirect N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from manure management”. On the basis of the data on the quantity of straw per day (per tonnes of live weight, per type of housing, for cattle and buffalo), contained in the Ministerial Decree of 25 February 2016 on the use of zootechnical effluents, combined with the manure production coefficients used in the estimation of methane emissions from storage, the quantity of straw used as bedding that ends up on agricultural land during the spreading of manure was estimated, as recommended by the 2019 UNFCCC review. The nitrogen content was considered and was added to the nitrogen input from manure applied to soils for N<sub>2</sub>O emissions estimate. Data for cattle were updated, while data for buffalo, previously missing, were included. Data have been updated since 1990. Further information and data can be found in the Annex 7.3. The description of the agricultural residues used for bedding material considered in the animal manure applied to soils (3Da2a) category, which also involves the crop residues (3Da4) and field burning of agricultural residues (3F) categories, is reported in the Annex 7.3. As recommended during the 2019 UNFCCC review, to enhance transparency on the total amount of crop residues generated and shares of the crop residue amounts used for different purposes (such as bedding material (3.D.a.2.a), left on fields (3.D.a.4), burnt on-site (3.F) and off-site (1.A, 5.C.2)), a flow-chart is reported in Annex 7, in Figure A.7.1.

Frac<sub>FEED</sub>, Frac<sub>FUEL</sub> and Frac<sub>CNST</sub> parameters of the Equation 11.4 are assumed equal to zero.

The F<sub>AM</sub> (t N yr<sup>-1</sup>) value is estimated by summing the F<sub>AM</sub> for each livestock category; then emissions are calculated with emission factor 0.01 kg N-N<sub>2</sub>O/kg N (IPCC, 2006). In 2019, F<sub>AM</sub> parameter was 460,579 t N.

<sup>23</sup> The 2018 annual review of the GHG emission inventory of Italy, pursuant to Article 19(2) of Regulation (EU) No 525/2013, with a view to monitoring Italy’s achievement of its greenhouse gas emission reduction or limitation target pursuant to Article 3 of Decision No 406/2009/EC (the ‘Effort Sharing Decision’, ESD).

### *Sewage sludge applied to soils (F<sub>SEW</sub>)*

Direct and indirect N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from the application of sewage sludge to agricultural soils were calculated using the Tier 1 methodology described in the IPCC (IPCC, 2006). Direct emissions were estimated by applying the relevant default IPCC equations, EFs and parameters (see Annex A7.3). From 1995 activity data (amount of sewage sludge) and parameters (N content) were collected from the Ministry for the Environment, Land and Sea, which is in charge of collecting and reporting data under the EU Sewage Sludge Directive 86/278/EEC (MATTM, 2014). From 1990 to 1994 AD and parameters were reconstructed, description is available in the Waste Chapter. The amount of sewage N applied was calculated using the amount of sewage sludge (expressed in t dry matter) and the N content of sludge. Emission factor used was 0.01 kg N-N<sub>2</sub>O/kg N (IPCC, 2006).

### *Other organic amendments applied to soils (F<sub>OOA</sub>) (including compost N applied to soils (F<sub>COMP</sub>))*

For the other organic fertilisers applied to soil category, the used amount, including compost and organic amendments, and N content are provided by ISTAT (as reported in the paragraph 5.1.3, 5.1.4 and 5.5.2). Data are available from 1998; for the previous years, data were reconstructed based on the trend of the available data. A peak of the amount of compost applied to soil is observed for 2011. A verification was requested to ISTAT which confirmed the value.

### *Urine and dung from grazing animals (F<sub>PRP</sub>)*

The annual amount of N deposited on pasture is calculated using Equation 11.5 (IPCC 2006, vol. 4, chapter 11). As mentioned in section 5.3.2, when estimating N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from manure management, the amount related to manure excreted while grazing is subtracted and reported in “Agricultural soils” under urine and dung from grazing animals. In Table 5.25, nitrogen excretion rates (kg head<sup>-1</sup> yr<sup>-1</sup>) used for estimations are shown. N<sub>2</sub>O emissions are estimated with the total nitrogen excreted from grazing (include all livestock categories), number of animals, an EF for cattle (dairy, non-dairy and buffalo) of 0.02 kg N<sub>2</sub>O-N/kg N excreted and an EF for sheep and other animals (goats, horses and mules and asses) of 0.01 kg N<sub>2</sub>O-N/kg N excreted (IPCC, 2006).

**Table 5.41 Trend of annual amount of urine and dung N deposited by grazing animals on pasture (t N yr<sup>-1</sup>)**

Year	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
F <sub>PRP</sub> (t N)	176,705	204,409	209,031	154,820	157,146	147,656	151,069	148,864	148,016	146,337

### *Crop residue N, including N-fixing crops and forage, returned to soils (F<sub>CR</sub>)*

For the estimation of nitrogen input from crop residues, a country-specific methodology is used. The total amount of crop residues is estimated (t dry matter yr<sup>-1</sup>) by using the following parameters: annual crop production (t yr<sup>-1</sup>), residue/crop product ratio, percentage of the residue fixed and dry matter content by type of crop (%), while, when cultivated surface (ha) is the available activity data, only the crop residue production (t dry matter ha<sup>-1</sup> yr<sup>-1</sup>) parameter is used to assess total amount of crop residues (CESTAAT, 1988; CRPA/CNR, 1992; ENEA, 1994). Data on annual crop production and cultivated surface are from ISTAT as reported in paragraph 5.1.3, 5.1.4 and 5.5.2. The description of the agricultural residues used for bedding material considered in animal manure applied to soils (3Da2a), which also involves the categories crop residues (3Da4) and field burning of agricultural residues (3F), is reported in the Annex 7.3. The description of the type of agricultural residues is also included. As recommended during the 2019 UNFCCC review, to enhance transparency on the total amount of crop residues generated and shares of the crop residue amounts used for different purposes (such as bedding material (3.D.a.2.a), left on fields (3.D.a.4), burnt on-site (3.F) and off-site (1.A, 5.C.2)), a flow-chart is reported in Annex 7, in Figure A.7.1.

The nitrogen content of crop residues from cereals, legumes, tubers and roots, legumes forages and other forages (t N yr<sup>-1</sup>) is estimated by multiplying the total amount of crop residue as dry matter with the reincorporated fraction (1- Frac<sub>BURN</sub>, where Frac<sub>BURN</sub> is the fraction of crop residue that is burned rather than left on field equal to 0.1 kg N/kg crop-N (IPCC, 1997; CRPA, 1997[b])), and the nitrogen content for each crop type. The nitrogen content is obtained converting protein content in dry matter (CESTAAT, 1988; Borgioli, 1981), dividing by factor 6.25 (100 g of protein/16 g of nitrogen). The contribution of the below-ground nitrogen to the total input of nitrogen from crop residues has been considered, in line with the 2006 IPCC Guidelines, by using the IPCC default values of ratio of belowground residues to above-ground biomass and N content of below-ground residues. The amount of nitrogen of crop residues from perennial grasses is

calculated by using the Equation 11.6 (IPCC 2006, vol. 4, chapter 11). The values used for other forages are the same used for the alfalfa cultivation.

The  $F_{CR}$  parameter is obtained by adding the nitrogen content of cultivars crop residues. In 2019,  $F_{CR}$  parameter was 187,029 t N (see Table 5.42). Emissions are calculated with emission factor 0.01 kg N-N<sub>2</sub>O/kg N (IPCC, 2006).

Detailed information related to the cultivated surfaces, crops production, residues production and parameters used for emissions estimates, for each type of crop, are shown in the Annex 7 (Tables A.7.19-24).

**Table 5.42 Trend of annual amount of N in crop residues (t N yr<sup>-1</sup>)**

Year	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
<b>F<sub>CR</sub> (t N)</b>	207,122	233,831	221,621	209,831	189,991	176,709	185,083	168,339	184,495	187,029

#### *Area of drained/managed organic soils (F<sub>OS</sub>)*

In Italy, the area of organic soils cultivated annually (histosols) is estimated to be 23,195 hectares for the year 2019, a substantially constant value for the whole time series (FAOSTAT database<sup>24</sup>). This value is multiplied by 8 kg N-N<sub>2</sub>O ha<sup>-1</sup> yr<sup>-1</sup>, following IPCC 2006 Guidelines (IPCC, 2006).

The data are consistent with figures used for estimation in the LULUCF sector. Additional information may be found in paragraph 6.3.4 *Methodological issues* of the LULUCF sector.

#### **Indirect N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from managed soils**

For indirect emissions from agricultural soils the following parameters are estimated:

- Atmospheric deposition
- Nitrogen leaching and run-off

For estimating of N<sub>2</sub>O emissions due to atmospheric deposition of NH<sub>3</sub> and NO<sub>x</sub> the IPCC tier 1 approach was followed (Equation 11.9 of the 2006 IPCC Guidelines). Parameters used are: total use of synthetic fertilizer  $F_{SN}$  (t N yr<sup>-1</sup>),  $Frac_{GASF}$  emission factor, total amount of organic N inputs applied to soils  $F_{ON}$  (t N yr<sup>-1</sup>), total amount of urine and dung N deposited by grazing animals  $F_{PRP}$  (t N yr<sup>-1</sup>),  $Frac_{GASM}$  emission factor and the emission factor 0.01 kg N<sub>2</sub>O-N per kg NH<sub>3</sub>-N and NO<sub>x</sub>-N emitted (IPCC, 2006).

$Frac_{GASF}$  parameter is estimated for the whole time series, following the IPCC definition, where the total N-NH<sub>3</sub> and N-NO<sub>x</sub> emissions from fertilizers are divided by the total nitrogen content of fertilizers (see table 5.43). NH<sub>3</sub> EFs from the use of synthetic fertilizers for temperate climate and normal pH factors (reported in the EMEP/EEA Guidebook (EMEP/EEA, 2019)) according to the IPCC climate zones classification and the definition available in the 2002 EMEP/CORINAIR Guidebook for which Italy is defined with large areas of acidic soils (soil pH below 7.0) and with some calcareous soils (or managed with soil pH above 7.0), have been updated. NO<sub>x</sub> emission factor for synthetic N-fertilizer (reported in the EMEP/EEA Guidebook (EMEP/EEA, 2019)) was also updated.  $Frac_{GASM}$  is the fraction of applied organic N fertiliser materials ( $F_{ON}$ ) and of urine and dung N deposited by grazing animals ( $F_{PRP}$ ) that volatilises as NH<sub>3</sub> and NO<sub>x</sub>.

$Frac_{GASM}$  is then composed of the following fractions:

- Fraction of livestock N excretion that volatilizes as NH<sub>3</sub> and NO<sub>x</sub> during spreading and grazing animals -  $Frac_{GASM}$  indirect (as reported in the CRF). This fraction is equal to the ratio between the amount of NH<sub>3</sub>-N and NO<sub>x</sub>-N emissions and the total nitrogen excreted (see table 5.43);
- Fraction of N from other organic N fertilizers applied (sewage sludge, other organic amendments applied to soils including compost) that volatilizes as NH<sub>3</sub> and NO<sub>x</sub>. The volatilization factor for N-NH<sub>3</sub> and NO<sub>x</sub>-N emissions is 7.8% for other organic N fertilizers and 11.9% for sewage sludge applied, as reported in table 5.43.

For  $Frac_{GASM}$  indirect, the ammonia emission factors from land spreading for cattle, swine, laying hens and broilers categories have been assessed, on the basis of ISTAT statistics on spreading systems (i.e. 2010 Agricultural Census, 2013 and 2016 Farm Structure Survey). NO<sub>x</sub> emission factors (during spreading) were also assessed on the basis of the nitrogen mass-flow approach (Tier 2 method of the EMEP/EEA Guidebook (EMEP/EEA, 2019)). NH<sub>3</sub> and NO<sub>x</sub> emission factors from other organic N fertilizers applied (sewage sludge, other organic amendments applied to soils including compost) were also updated based on the EMEP/EEA Guidebook (EMEP/EEA, 2019).

<sup>24</sup> <http://www.fao.org/faostat/en/#data/GV>

The estimation of N<sub>2</sub>O emissions due to nitrogen leaching and run-off has followed the IPCC Tier 1 approach (Equation 11.10 of the 2006 IPCC Guidelines). Parameters used are: total use of synthetic fertilizer F<sub>SN</sub> (t N yr<sup>-1</sup>), total amount of organic N inputs applied to soils F<sub>ON</sub> (t N yr<sup>-1</sup>), total amount of urine and dung N deposited by grazing animals F<sub>PRP</sub> (t N yr<sup>-1</sup>), total amount of N in crop residues (above- and below-ground), including N-fixing crops and from forage F<sub>CR</sub> (t N yr<sup>-1</sup>), Frac<sub>LEACH-(H)</sub> emission factor 0.21 kg N/kg nitrogen of fertilizer or manure (see table 5.43) and the emission factor 0.0075 kg N<sub>2</sub>O-N per kg nitrogen leaching/run-off (IPCC, 2006). As mentioned before, the Frac<sub>LEACH-(H)</sub> IPCC default value was compared with the country-specific Frac<sub>LEACH-(H)</sub> parameter (ADBPO, 2001; ADBPO, 1994).

The estimate of N lost through leaching and run-off includes the losses of N due to leaching from managed soils. An analysis of the Frac<sub>LEACH-(H)</sub> parameter was done. On the basis of monthly average climatic summaries (period 1986-2015) georeferenced data (30 km grid) of precipitation and evapotranspiration, referring to the rainy period (October-December) and to the entire national territory provided by the Research Centre for Agriculture and Environments CREA-AA (CREA, 2017), and data on soil water-holding capacity elaborated by the Research Centre for Agriculture and Environments CREA-AA Florence office (Costantini E. A. C., L'Abate G., 2004; L'Abate G., Costantini E. A. C., 2005; L'Abate G., Costantini E. A. C., 2016) and available online, the criteria indicated in the Table 11.3 of the 2006 IPCC Guidelines have been investigated. According to the 2006 IPCC Guidelines, the leached nitrogen has to be estimated only in those areas where there is a water surplus or where irrigation is employed. The water surplus is calculated by subtracting, from the precipitations, the water evaporated by evapotranspiration and the amount of water that can retain the soil (that is the soil water holding capacity). This estimate was made at the level of mesh centers 30x30 km and then a weighted average at the provincial level was calculated. At this point the UAA was considered at the provincial level and the sum of the UAA of the provinces interested in the phenomenon of water surplus was calculated. The analysis shows that the water surplus occurs on 68.9% of the national agricultural area. The areas not interested by this phenomenon are generally localized in Puglia, Sicily and Sardinia, and Lombardy, Veneto and Piedmont (resulting in a total of 53% and 29% of the area affected by the water deficit, respectively). For the agricultural areas affected by the water surplus, the Frac<sub>LEACH-(H)</sub> is assumed equal to 0.3 kg N/kg N applied to soils or deposited by grazing animals, while a value equal to zero is assumed for the agricultural areas affected by the water deficit. The weighted average value of Frac<sub>LEACH-(H)</sub> relative to the entire national agricultural area will be equal 20.7% of nitrogen applied to soils or deposited by grazing animals.

Data on precipitation and evapotranspiration have been also used for the definition of wet and dry areas for the estimation of methane from landfills (see chapter waste, 7.2.2 methodological issues paragraph).

**Table 5.43 Parameters used for the estimation of indirect N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from managed soils**

Year	Atmospheric deposition					N leaching and run-off	
	Frac <sub>GASF</sub> <sup>(1)</sup> (%)	Frac <sub>GASM indirect</sub> <sup>(2)</sup> (%)	Fraction of N from other organic N fertilizers applied (%) <sup>(3)</sup>	Fraction of N from sewage sludge applied (%) <sup>(4)</sup>	N volatilised from managed soils (t N)	Frac <sub>LEACH-(H)</sub> <sup>(5)</sup> (kg N/kg N)	N lost through leaching and run-off (t N)
1990	8.76	10.42	7.8	11.9	165,310	0.21	349,932
1995	8.69	9.82	7.8	11.9	163,308	0.21	367,834
2000	8.83	9.30	7.8	11.9	157,226	0.21	361,336
2005	8.68	9.11	7.8	11.9	144,583	0.21	340,060
2010	8.75	9.12	7.8	11.9	122,822	0.21	284,519
2011	8.80	9.05	7.8	11.9	128,514	0.21	300,191
2012	9.86	9.04	7.8	11.9	143,135	0.21	311,065
2013	9.94	8.96	7.8	11.9	130,360	0.21	287,694
2014	9.64	8.88	7.8	11.9	124,723	0.21	284,199
2015	9.69	8.81	7.8	11.9	124,590	0.21	282,065
2016	10.36	8.75	7.8	11.9	133,366	0.21	295,395
2017	9.74	8.77	7.8	11.9	128,049	0.21	289,011
2018	9.54	8.79	7.8	11.9	122,291	0.21	281,777
2019	10.11	8.80	7.8	11.9	122,842	0.21	278,788

Note: (1) the fraction is multiplied by F<sub>SN</sub> (see Table 5.39); (2) the fraction is multiplied by total N excreted (see Table 5.27); (3) the fraction is multiplied by F<sub>OOA</sub> (see Table 5.40); (4) the fraction is multiplied by F<sub>SEW</sub> (see Table 5.40); (5) the fraction is multiplied by F<sub>SN</sub>, F<sub>SEW</sub>, F<sub>OOA</sub>, F<sub>AM</sub> and by F<sub>CR</sub> (see Table 5.42).

### 5.5.3 Uncertainty and time-series consistency

Uncertainty for N<sub>2</sub>O direct and indirect emissions from managed soils has been estimated to be 53.9%, as combination of 20% and 50% for activity data and emission factor, respectively.

In the 2012 submission, Montecarlo analysis was also applied to estimate uncertainty of the two key categories *Direct N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from agricultural soils* and *Indirect N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from nitrogen used in agriculture*. The resulting figures were 21.34% and 21.67% for *Direct and Indirect N<sub>2</sub>O emissions*, respectively. Normal and lognormal distributions have been assumed for the parameters; at the same time, whenever assumptions or constraints on variables were known this information has been appropriately reflected on the range of distribution values. A summary of the results is reported in Annex 1.

In Table 5.44, time series of N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from managed soils are reported.

**Table 5.44 Nitrous oxide emission trends from managed soils (Gg)**

Year	Direct emissions from managed soils	Indirect emissions from managed soils	Total
	Gg		
1990	27.21	6.72	33.93
1995	28.54	6.90	35.45
2000	28.05	6.73	34.77
2005	26.40	6.28	32.67
2010	22.16	5.28	27.44
2011	23.35	5.56	28.91
2012	24.19	5.92	30.11
2013	22.42	5.44	27.85
2014	22.15	5.31	27.46
2015	21.98	5.28	27.27
2016	23.00	5.58	28.58
2017	22.52	5.42	27.93
2018	21.96	5.24	27.20
2019	21.73	5.22	26.95

In 2019, N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from managed soils were 20.6% (26.95 Gg N<sub>2</sub>O) lower than in 1990 (33.93 Gg N<sub>2</sub>O). Major contributions were given by direct emissions (21.73 Gg), that come mainly (67.1%) from inorganic N fertilizers (7.34 Gg) and animal manure applied to soils (7.24 Gg) (see Table 5.36). Indirect emissions (5.22 Gg) are mainly (43.3%) due to N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from nitrogen leaching and run-off from inorganic N fertilizers (1.14 Gg) and animal manure applied to soils (1.12 Gg) (see Table 5.36). N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from leaching and run-off are related to the nitrogen content in fertilizers and animal wastes, therefore, emissions are mainly linked to the use of N fertilizers and the animal number trends. Between 1996 and 1997 there was a high increase in the use of nitrogen fertilizers in Italy, thus, emissions could be identified as outlier. Between 2007/2008 (-14%) and 2008/2009 (-21%) N fertiliser distribution has decreased. In 2010 the same trend was observed. According to the Italian Fertilizer Association (AIF) the use of fertilisers is determined by their cost and particularly by the price of agricultural products. In the last years, prices have decreased and, as a result, farmers need to save costs, consequently, less fertilisers is being used (Perelli, 2007; De Corso 2008).

### 5.5.4 Source-specific QA/QC and verification

Synthetic fertilizers and nitrogen content are compared with the international FAO agriculture database statistics (FAO, several years). In Table 5.45, national and FAO time series of total nitrogen applied are reported. Differences between national data and FAO database are related to the difference in data elaboration (ISTAT, 2004) and could be attributed to different factors. First, national data are more disaggregated by substance than FAO data and the national nitrogen content is considered for each substance, while FAO utilises default values. Besides, differences could also derive from different products classification. A joint meeting, held in July 2011 with the FAO experts in charge of the fertiliser database, ISPRA verified that there are two FAO databases for fertilisers. In Table 5.45 the two databases are presented.

**Table 5.45 Total annual N content in fertilizer applied from 1990 to 2019**

Year	National data (t N)	FAO database (Nitrous fertilizer consumption, t N)	FAO new database (Nitrous fertilizer consumption, t N)
1990	759,510	878,960	-
1995	799,614	875,000	-
2000	782,701	828,000	-
2005	779,846		800,697
2010	528,029		498,605
2011	541,325		516,543
2012	683,566		591,000(*)
2013	546,542		600,600(*)
2014	505,126		574,016(*)
2015	517,854		605,236(*)
2016	567,211		602,730(*)
2017	522,840		602,110(*)
2018	495,005		602,110(*)
2019	466,842		Not available

(\*) Unofficial figure or manual estimation

Data on national sales of synthetic nitrogen fertilizers (by type of fertilizers) as provided by *Assofertilizzanti – Federchimica*<sup>25</sup> for the period 2012-2016 have been compared to official statistics provided by ISTAT. Differences were mainly found for the amount of simple mineral nitrogen fertilizers, where data from *Assofertilizzanti* are higher by 20%, on average, for the years 2013-2016. This could be due to a possible double counting of some product which could be considered as a single product and as a compound with other fertilizers. Further investigations will be conducted.

As recommended during the 2019 UNFCCC review, a check on the urea data has been made. The operator of the facility producing ammonia and urea has provided us with the final markets of urea in Italy and an estimation of those market shares in 2017: SCR engines (7.6%); NOx abatement systems (2.8%); Industry (“industry-no-glue” and “industry-glue”, 15.1%) and fertilizers (74.5%). The indicated final uses can be divided into emissive sources (SCR engines; NOx abatement systems and Fertilizers) and non-emissive sources (industry-glue and industry-no glue). The emissive sources already included in the national inventory are the same as those indicated by YARA, so as far as urea uses are concerned, the completeness of the inventory is verified. Further investigations and discussion with the operator are needed concerning the market shares of the individual final uses.

In 2015, data on crop residues and, in particular, on the relationship between crop residues and product were compared with studies and research provided by the Agricultural Research Council (CRA)<sup>26</sup>. However, these studies were conducted in different countries from Italy, so despite the differences, the values used in the inventory, based on national studies, have not been changed.

Following the suggestion of the CRA experts, in the estimation of N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from crop residues, the total amount of residues has been considered, without deducting the fraction removed for purposes such as feed, bedding and construction. Therefore, the data were revised using the fixed residues/removable residues ratio for each crop considered (ENEA, 1994), also used to estimate the emissions from category 3F (see paragraph 5.6.2).

Concerning compost data, from waste sector only data on compost production are available. Official statistics provided by ISTAT on compost used in agriculture sector (considered as the green and mixed amendments) are compared to data on compost from waste sector. For the year 2015, the amount of compost used is 58.1% of the compost production only from plants that treat a selected waste.

As regards  $Frac_{LEACH-(H)}$ , Italy verified that the IPCC default is similar to the country-specific reference value reported from the main regional basin authority - Po Valley (ADBPO, 2001; ADBPO, 1994).

At the end of 2016, in response to the UNFCCC review process, experts on land use and wheater climate were contacted to investigate on the  $Frac_{LEACH-(H)}$  fulfilment to criteria set out in the 2006 IPCC Guidelines.

<sup>25</sup> Federchimica is the National Association of the Chemical Industry and Assofertilizzanti represents the production companies of the fertilizer industry.

<sup>26</sup> CRA is a national research organization which operates under the supervision of the Ministry of Agriculture, with general scientific competence within the fields of agriculture, agro-industry, food, fishery and forestry.

As recommended during the 2019 UNFCCC review, the investigation of the driving forces for the significant inter-annual changes has been done. As regards the other organic fertilizers, in 2015 ISTAT was asked to verify the quantities of amendments (compost) for 2011, which determine the anomalous trend between 2010 and 2011 and the figure was confirmed by contacting the companies that provided the data. As regards the sewage sludge applied, the values used are official data provided by the Ministry of the Environment which collects them at the Italian Regions under the EU Sewage Sludge Directive. The annual variations depend on the fact that some Regions prohibit the practice of spreading in certain years, on the basis of weather-climatic, soil and water conditions, and also over the years other types of sludge treatment, such as the anaerobic digestion, have been implemented, to the detriment of the spreading.

In 2020 a working group was set up with *Assofertilizzanti* and ISTAT to compare the statistics produced by these two bodies. Initial results have led to a revision of the data on nitrate consumption in the period 2009-2011 and the estimation of CAN fertiliser consumption. Verification work will continue during 2021.

### 5.5.5 Source-specific recalculations

N<sub>2</sub>O emissions have been recalculated because of the updating of the N excreted for dairy cattle from the year 2000. Following the update of the gross energy intake (GE), based on the estimation of the parameters digestibility (DE) of diet and methane conversion factor (Y<sub>m</sub>), the excreted nitrogen value of dairy cows was updated from the year 2004. Excreted nitrogen is in fact calculated from GE using equations 10.31-10.33 of the 2006 IPCC Guidelines. In addition, the percentage for protein in diet has been updated from the year 2000 respect to the previous submission. This parameter is used with GE in the estimation of excreted nitrogen.

N<sub>2</sub>O emissions also have been recalculated because of the following data updating: the quantity of straw used in storage that ends up on agricultural land during the spreading of manure, for cattle and buffalo categories from 1990; the number of broilers and laying hens in the period 2001-2009 and since 2011; the cattle and buffalo effluent production coefficients and field nitrogen coefficients for the years 2007-2015 and 2017-2018 (implying changes in the distribution of nitrogen stored between liquid and solid); the weight and excreted nitrogen coefficient of other poultry for the years 2007-2015; the excreted nitrogen coefficient for buffalo and calves from 2007 to 2015; the sewage sludge data from 2016; the organic soil data for the years 1990-1997 and 2018.

Moreover, based on the comparison with *Assofertilizzanti* and ISTAT experts on the time series of synthetic fertiliser use, the nitrate data in the years 2009-2011 were revised. In addition, nitrate data (quantity and nitrogen content) were recalculated in the years 1990-2000 to include the estimated CAN fertiliser.

The following changes affect indirect emissions of N<sub>2</sub>O: updating of the NH<sub>3</sub> estimate from the use of synthetic fertilizers described above; updating of the NH<sub>3</sub> estimate from manure spreading of buffalo category for the years 2010-2018; updating of the cattle and buffalo category effluent and field nitrogen production coefficients (which also implies the change in liquid and solid nitrogen percentages) for the years 2007-2015 and 2017-2018 (the change in nitrogen allocation % changes the estimate of NO<sub>2</sub> from cattle); updating of the NH<sub>3</sub> estimate from anaerobic digesters since 1991.

### 5.5.6 Source-specific planned improvements

In Table 5.46, planned improvements for this category are presented.

**Table 5.46 Improvements for the agricultural soils category**

Category/sub category	Parameter	Year of submission 2022	Activities
Activity data	Urea	√	Further checks will be made between apparent consumption and end uses, based on production data, import, export and final uses.

In the coming years, the Permanent census of agriculture will provide valuable information on animal and agronomic production methods. The focus of the Permanent census is to provide a comprehensive information framework on the structure of the agricultural system and the livestock at national, regional and local level by integrating archive data and carrying out statistical support surveys. Statistical registers will be created with

the aim of increasing the quantity and quality of information in order to reduce the response burden and the overall production cost of official statistics<sup>27</sup>.

## 5.6 Field burning of agriculture residues (3F)

### 5.6.1 Source category description

Methane and nitrous oxide emissions from field burning agriculture residues have not been identified as a key source.

In 2019, CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from this source were 0.59 Gg, representing 0.08% of emissions for the agriculture sector. N<sub>2</sub>O emissions were 0.013 Gg, representing 0.04% of emissions for the agriculture sector.

### 5.6.2 Methodological issues

The estimation of emissions from field burning of agriculture residues has been carried out on the basis of the IPCC methodology, using different parameters, such as the amount of residues produced, the amount of dry residues, the total biomass burned, and the total carbon and nitrogen released as reported in Table 5.47.

**Table 5.47 Data used for estimating field burning of agriculture residues emission**

Data	Reference
Annual crop production	ISTAT, several years [a], [b], [j]
Removable residues/product ratio	CESTAAT, 1988
Fixed residues/removable residues ratio	ENEA, 1994
Fraction of dry matter in residues	IPCC, 1997; CRPA/CNR, 1992; CESTAAT, 1988; Borgioli, 1981
Fraction of the field where “fixed” residues are burned	IPCC, 1997; CRPA, 1997[b]; ANPA-ONR, 2001; CESTAAT, 1988
Fraction of residues oxidized during burning	IPCC, 2006
Fraction of carbon of dry matter of residues	IPCC, 1997
Raw protein in residues (dry matter fraction)	CESTAAT, 1988; Borgioli, 1981
IPCC default emission rates (CH <sub>4</sub> , N <sub>2</sub> O)	IPCC, 1997

Activity data (annual crop production of cereals) used for estimating burning of agriculture residues are reported in the Table 5.48.

The same methodology is used to estimate emissions from open burning of agriculture residues (burnt off-site). Emissions from fixed residues (stubble), burnt on open fields, are reported in this category (3F) while emissions from removable residues burnt off-site, are reported under the waste sector (open burning of waste - 5C2 category). In response to the 2018 UNFCCC review process, the description of the agricultural residues used for bedding material considered in animal manure applied to soils (3Da2a), which also involves the categories crop residues (3Da4) and field burning of agricultural residues (3F), is reported in the Annex 7.3. The description of the type of agricultural residues is also included in the Annex 7.3. As recommended during the 2019 UNFCCC review, to enhance transparency on the total amount of crop residues generated and shares of the crop residue amounts used for different purposes (such as bedding material (3.D.a.2.a), left on fields (3.D.a.4), burnt on-site (3.F) and off-site (1.A, 5.C.2)), a flow-chart is reported in Annex 7, in Figure A.7.1.

**Table 5.48 Time series of activity data (tons) used for 3F estimations**

<sup>27</sup> <https://www.istat.it/en/permanent-censuses/agriculture>

Year	Wheat	Barley	Maize	Oats	Rye	Rice	Sorghum
<b>Agricultural production (tons)</b>							
1990	8,108,500	1,702,500	5,863,900	298,400	20,800	1,290,700	114,200
1995	7,946,081	1,387,069	8,454,164	301,322	19,780	1,320,851	214,802
2000	7,427,660	1,261,560	10,139,639	317,926	10,292	1,245,555	215,200
2005	7,717,129	1,214,054	10,427,930	429,153	7,876	1,444,818	184,915
2010	6,849,858	944,257	8,495,946	288,880	13,926	1,574,320	275,572
2011	6,641,807	950,934	9,752,373	297,079	14,381	1,560,128	299,862
2012	7,654,248	940,234	7,888,668	292,357	16,083	1,601,478	157,808
2013	7,312,025	875,553	7,899,617	246,916	14,306	1,433,111	316,919
2014	7,141,926	848,681	9,250,045	241,138	11,529	1,415,906	368,782
2015	7,394,495	955,131	7,073,897	261,366	13,183	1,505,804	294,218
2016	8,037,872	988,285	6,839,499	260,798	13,170	1,598,027	313,788
2017	6,966,465	984,281	6,048,499	229,041	11,097	1,516,033	240,694
2018	6,932,943	1,010,328	6,179,035	243,366	10,639	1,480,887	293,865
2019	6,576,584	1,072,447	6,258,747	238,107	12,509	1,498,133	312,384

The methodology for estimating emissions refers to fixed residues burnt. The same steps are followed to calculate emissions from removable residues burnt off-site reported in 5C. Parameters taken into consideration are the following:

- Amount of “fixed” residues (t), estimated with annual crop production, removable residues/product ratio, and “fixed” residue/removable residues ratio.
- Amount of dry residues in “fixed” residue (t dry matter), calculated with amount of fixed residues and fraction of dry matter.
- Amount of “fixed” dry residues oxidized (t dry matter), assessed with amount of dry residues in the “fixed” residues, fraction of the field where “fixed” residues are burned, and fraction of residues oxidized during burning.
- Amount of carbon from stubble burning release in air (t C), calculated with the amount of “fixed” dry residue oxidized and the fraction of carbon from the dry matter of residues.
- C-CH<sub>4</sub> from stubble burning (t C-CH<sub>4</sub>), calculated with the amount of carbon from stubble burning release in air and default emissions rate for C-CH<sub>4</sub>, equal to 0.005 (IPCC, 1997).

Data related to the removable residues/product ratio, the “fixed” residue/removable residues ratio, the fraction of dry matter, the fraction of carbon of dry matter of residues are available for each type of cereals.

Fraction of the field where “fixed” residues are burned is 10% (IPCC, 1997; CRPA, 1997[b]) for all crops except for rice, for which the fraction varies as a function of the change in annual percentage of the reincorporated rice straw into the soil (see *straw incorporation* in the methodological issues in rice cultivation (3C) paragraph). CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from on field burning of agriculture residues (0.59 Gg CH<sub>4</sub> in 2019) have been estimated multiplying the C-CH<sub>4</sub> value (0.445 Gg C-CH<sub>4</sub>) by the ratio of molecular weights (16/12). In Table 5.49, parameters used for estimating of CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from on field burning of agriculture residues are shown.

**Table 5.49 Parameters used for the estimation of CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from agriculture residues in 2019**

Crops	Annual crop harvest production (t 1000)	Amount of “fixed” burnable residues (t 1000)	Amount of dry residue in the “fixed” residues (t 1000 dry matter)	Amount of “fixed” dry residues burnt (t 1000 dry matter)	Amount of carbon from stubble burning (t 1000 C)	C-CH <sub>4</sub> from stubble burning (t C-CH <sub>4</sub> )
Wheat	6,577	1,134	968	94	41	206
Rye	13	2	2	0	0	0
Barley	1,072	214	184	18	6	31
Oats	238	42	36	4	1	6
Rice	1,498	251	188	113	37	187
Maize	6,259	626	261	0	0	0
Sorghum	312	109	91	9	3	15
<b>Total</b>	<b>15,969</b>	<b>2,379</b>	<b>1,729</b>	<b>238</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>445</b>

For estimating N<sub>2</sub>O emissions, the same amount of “fixed” dry residue oxidized described above were used; further parameters are:

- Amount of nitrogen from stubble burning release in air (t N), calculated with the amount of “fixed” dry

residue oxidized and the fraction of nitrogen from the dry matter of residues. The fraction of nitrogen has been calculated considering raw protein content from residues (dry matter fraction) divided by 6.25.

- b) N-N<sub>2</sub>O from stubble burning (t N-N<sub>2</sub>O), calculated with the amount of nitrogen from stubble burning release in air and the default emissions rate for N- N<sub>2</sub>O, equal to 0.007 (IPCC, 1997).

Data related to the raw protein content from residues (dry matter fraction) is available for each type of cereals. N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from on field burning of agriculture residues (0.013 Gg N<sub>2</sub>O in 2019) are estimated by multiplying the N-N<sub>2</sub>O value (0.008 Gg N) by the ratio of molecular weights (44/28).

In Table 5.50 the parameters for the estimation of N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from field burning of agriculture residues are shown.

**Table 5.50 Parameters used for the estimation of N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from agriculture residues in 2019**

Crops	Amount of “fixed” dry residues burnt (t 1000 dry matter)	Raw protein content from residues (dry matter fraction)	Fraction of nitrogen from the dry matter of residues	Amount of nitrogen from stubble burning (t 1000 N)	N-N <sub>2</sub> O from stubble burning (t N-N <sub>2</sub> O)
Wheat	94	0.030	0.005	0.407	2.85
Rye	0	0.036	0.006	0.001	0.01
Barley	18	0.037	0.006	0.098	0.69
Oats	4	0.040	0.006	0.021	0.14
Rice	113	0.041	0.007	0.593	4.15
Maize	0	0.000	0.007	0.000	0.00
Sorghum	9	0.037	0.006	0.048	0.34
<b>Total</b>	<b>238</b>			<b>1.167</b>	<b>8.17</b>

### 5.6.3 Uncertainty and time-series consistency

Uncertainties for CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from field burning of agriculture residues are estimated to be 58.3% as a result of 30% and 50% for activity data and emission factor, respectively.

In 2019, emissions from field burning of agriculture residues were 0.59 Gg CH<sub>4</sub> emissions and 0.013 Gg N<sub>2</sub>O emissions (see Table 5.51). Variation in emissions trend is related to cereal production trends. In particular, in the period 1998-2003, the biomass available from wheat and barley decreases compared to the first half of the ninety years due to the sharp drop in production as a consequence of unfavourable weather conditions.

**Table 5.51 CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emission trends from field burning of agriculture residues (Gg)**

Year	CH <sub>4</sub> (Gg)	N <sub>2</sub> O (Gg)
1990	0.601	0.012
1995	0.593	0.012
2000	0.591	0.012
2005	0.636	0.013
2010	0.612	0.013
2011	0.604	0.013
2012	0.643	0.014
2013	0.607	0.013
2014	0.599	0.013
2015	0.624	0.013
2016	0.669	0.014
2017	0.602	0.013
2018	0.602	0.013
2019	0.594	0.013

### 5.6.4 Source-specific QA/QC and verification

Activity data of this category were calculated on the basis of various parameters, and in particular the fraction of carbon and nitrogen of dry matter of residues, whose values are differentiated by crops. IPCC emission factors used (IPCC, 1997) are the ratios for carbon compounds (i.e. C-CH<sub>4</sub>), that are mass of carbon compound released (in units of C) relative to mass of total carbon released from burning (in units of C); those for the nitrogen compounds (i.e. N-N<sub>2</sub>O) are expressed as the ratios of mass of nitrogen compounds relative to the total mass of nitrogen released from the fuel (IPCC, 1997). The comparison with the 2006 IPCC emission factors has been done; the implied emission factors are consistent with those of the 2006 IPCC Guidelines.

In response to the 2007 review process (UNFCCC, several years) and in order to verify the national assumption, which considered that 10% of the cultivated surface (cereals) is burned in Italy, a specific elaboration of data has been carried out by ISTAT, in the framework of FSS in 2003. The information, provided by ISTAT, related to the regional practises of field burning (cereals) has confirmed the abovementioned assumption (ISTAT, 2007[c]).

### 5.6.5 Source-specific recalculations

Updating data on rice production for the years 2017 and 2018 involves a slight decrease in CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions.

### 5.6.6 Source-specific planned improvements

No specific improvements are planned.

## 5.7 Liming (3G)

### 5.7.1 Source category description

CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from application of carbonate containing lime and dolomite to agricultural soils have been estimated. In 2017 submission, in response to the UNFCCC review process, CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from application of carbonate containing lime and dolomite are estimated separately. In 2019, CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from liming were 16.2 Gg, which represents 3.8% of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions of the agriculture sector (0.3% in 1990) and 0.0048% of national CO<sub>2</sub> emissions (0.0003% in 1990). CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from liming have not been identified as a key source.

### 5.7.2 Methodological issues

Tier 1 approach, assuming that the total amount of carbonate containing lime and dolomite is applied annually to soil, has been followed. The 2006 IPCC Guidelines equation 11.12 has been used to estimate CO<sub>2</sub> emissions. National statistics report an aggregate annual amount of lime and dolomite, without disaggregation between calcic limestone and dolomite (ISTAT, several years [i]; ISTAT, several years [f]). Data on the disaggregation between limestone and dolomite used in agriculture are provided by the largest lime producer in the country (UNICALCE, 2016). These values are equal to 55% and 45%, respectively. Therefore, the average emission factor weighed is equal to 0.1245 t C/t limestone-dolomite (=0.12\*0.55+0.13\*0.45).

Data on agricultural lime application have been estimated for the period 1990-1997, since these data have not been made available for that period. Data were estimated on the basis of the ratio of the amount of limestone or dolomite applied for the year 1998 and the area planted to crops, woody and permanent forage.

### 5.7.3 Uncertainty and time-series consistency

Uncertainty for CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from additions of carbonate limes to soils has been estimated to be 22.4%, as combination of 10% and 20% for activity data and emission factor, respectively.

In 2019, CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from liming (16.2 Gg CO<sub>2</sub>) were more than ten times higher than in 1990 (1.36 Gg CO<sub>2</sub>). An increasing trend is observed from 2002, both for limestone and dolomite application, as resulting from the official statistics published by the National Institute of Statistics (ISTAT).

In Table 5.52 activity data, emission factor and CO<sub>2</sub> emission trend from liming are shown.

**Table 5.52 CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from lime application**

Year	Amount of limestone and dolomite (Mg)	EF (t C (t limestone and dolomite) <sup>-1</sup> )	C emissions (Gg)	CO <sub>2</sub> emissions (Gg)
1990	2,969	0.1245	0.370	1.36
1995	3,045	0.1245	0.379	1.39
2000	4,050	0.1245	0.504	1.85
2005	31,451	0.1245	3.916	14.36
2010	40,115	0.1245	4.994	18.31
2011	55,675	0.1245	6.932	25.42
2012	34,792	0.1245	4.332	15.88
2013	30,934	0.1245	3.851	14.12
2014	26,222	0.1245	3.265	11.97
2015	29,583	0.1245	3.683	13.50
2016	26,732	0.1245	3.328	12.20
2017	38,280	0.1245	4.766	17.47

Year	Amount of limestone and dolomite (Mg)	EF (t C (t limestone and dolomite) <sup>-1</sup> )	C emissions (Gg)	CO <sub>2</sub> emissions (Gg)
2018	33,851	0.1245	4.214	15.45
2019	35,584	0.1245	4.430	16.24

#### 5.7.4 Source-specific QA/QC and verification

Systematic quality control activities have been carried out in order to ensure completeness and consistency in time series and correctness in the estimation of emissions.

#### 5.7.5 Source-specific recalculations

No specific recalculations are observed.

#### 5.7.6 Source-specific planned improvements

No specific improvements are planned.

### 5.8 Urea application (3H)

#### 5.8.1 Source category description

CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from application of urea to agricultural soils have been estimated. In 2019, CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from urea application were 396.5 Gg, which represents 92.2% of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions of the agriculture sector (91.2% in 1990) and 0.12% of national CO<sub>2</sub> emissions (0.11% in 1990). CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from urea application have not been identified as a key source.

#### 5.8.2 Methodological issues

Tier 1 approach, assuming that the total amount of urea is applied annually to soil, has been followed; an overall emission factor of 0.20 t C (t urea)<sup>-1</sup> has been used to estimate CO<sub>2</sub> emissions. The 2006 IPCC Guidelines equation 11.13 has been used to estimate CO<sub>2</sub> emissions. The source of the activity data are national statistics (ISTAT, several years [i]).

#### 5.8.3 Uncertainty and time-series consistency

Uncertainty for CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from urea application to soils has been estimated to be 22.4%, as combination of 10% and 20% for activity data and emission factor, respectively.

In 2019, CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from urea application were 14.7% (396.5 Gg CO<sub>2</sub>) lower than in 1990 (464.8 Gg CO<sub>2</sub>). In Table 5.53 activity data, emission factor and CO<sub>2</sub> emission trend from urea application are shown. A strong decrease is observed in the years from 2009 to 2011 due to the economic crisis in particular for the amount of urea applied to soils. In 2012, a recovery from the sharp decline was recorded as result from the official statistics provided by the National Institute of Statistics (ISTAT).

**Table 5.53 CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from urea application**

Year	Amount of urea (Mg)	EF (t C (tonnes of urea) <sup>-1</sup> )	C emissions (Gg)	CO <sub>2</sub> emissions (Gg)
1990	633,873	0.20	126.8	464.8
1995	698,251	0.20	139.7	512.1
2000	716,412	0.20	143.3	525.4
2005	691,255	0.20	138.3	506.9
2010	456,951	0.20	91.4	335.1
2011	478,306	0.20	95.7	350.8
2012	751,235	0.20	150.2	550.9
2013	614,208	0.20	122.8	450.4
2014	560,449	0.20	112.1	411.0
2015	579,444	0.20	115.9	424.9
2016	718,843	0.20	143.8	527.2
2017	570,608	0.20	114.1	418.4
2018	552,621	0.20	110.5	405.3
2019	540,618	0.20	108.1	396.5

#### 5.8.4 Source-specific QA/QC and verification

Systematic quality control activities have been carried out in order to ensure completeness and consistency in time series and correctness in the estimation of emissions. Activity data are the same used in the agriculture soils (3D) category.

As recommended during the 2019 UNFCCC review, a check on the urea data has been made. See the contents of paragraph 5.5.4 *Source-specific QA/QC and verification*.

### 5.8.5 *Source-specific recalculations*

No specific recalculations are observed.

### 5.8.6 *Source-specific planned improvements*

Further checks on urea data will be made between apparent consumption and end uses, based on production data, import, export and final uses.

## 5.9 Other carbon-containing fertilizers (3I)

### 5.9.1 *Source category description*

CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from application of Calcium Ammonium Nitrate (CAN) to agricultural soils have been estimated. In 2019, CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from CAN application were 17.1 Gg, which represents 4.0% of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions of the agriculture sector (8.6% in 1990) and 0.005% of national CO<sub>2</sub> emissions (0.010% in 1990). CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from CAN application have not been identified as a key source.

### 5.9.2 *Methodological issues*

Tier 1 approach, assuming that the total amount of CAN is applied annually to soil, has been followed. Based on the data provided by *Assofertilizzanti* (personal communication) concerning the annual estimates of ammonium nitrate and CAN distributed over the country from 2011 to 2019, an annual ratio of CAN to nitrate was calculated. An overall average of these ratios was calculated for the period 2011-2019. This value was multiplied by the total amount of ammonium nitrate (<28% and >28%) distributed annually and provided by ISTAT since 1990. The carbonate content was estimated by multiplying the previously estimated series by the value 23%, which represents the average carbonate content in CAN (77% is the share of ammonium nitrate). An overall emission factor of 0.125 t C (t carbonates)<sup>-1</sup> has been used to estimate CO<sub>2</sub> emissions. The 2006 IPCC Guidelines equation 11.12 has been used to estimate CO<sub>2</sub> emissions. The source of the activity data are national statistics (ISTAT, several years [i]).

### 5.9.3 *Uncertainty and time-series consistency*

Uncertainty for CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from CAN application to soils has been estimated to be 22.4%, as combination of 10% and 20% for activity data and emission factor, respectively. In 2019, CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from CAN application were 60.8% (17.1 Gg CO<sub>2</sub>) lower than in 1990 (43.7 Gg CO<sub>2</sub>).

In Table 5.53 activity data, emission factor and CO<sub>2</sub> emission trend from CAN application are shown.

**Table 5.53 CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from CAN application**

Year	Amount of CAN (t)	Amount of carbonates content (t)	EF (t C (tonnes of carbonates) <sup>-1</sup> )	C emissions (Gg)	CO <sub>2</sub> emissions (Gg)
1990	416,907	95,293	0.125	11.9	43.7
1995	515,751	117,886	0.125	14.7	54.0
2000	416,818	95,273	0.125	11.9	43.7
2005	405,351	92,652	0.125	11.6	42.5
2010	263,930	60,327	0.125	7.5	27.6
2011	263,719	60,279	0.125	7.5	27.6
2012	241,758	55,259	0.125	6.9	25.3
2013	160,046	36,582	0.125	4.6	16.8
2014	197,192	45,072	0.125	5.6	20.7
2015	189,628	43,344	0.125	5.4	19.9
2016	193,182	44,156	0.125	5.5	20.2
2017	192,028	43,892	0.125	5.5	20.1
2018	206,681	47,241	0.125	5.9	21.7
2019	163,341	37,335	0.125	4.7	17.1



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#### **5.9.4 Source-specific QA/QC and verification**

Systematic quality control activities have been carried out in order to ensure completeness and consistency in time series and correctness in the estimation of emissions. Activity data are the same used in the agriculture soils (3D) category. As recommended during the 2020 ESD review, CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from CAN application to soils has been estimated and reported in the category 3I Other carbon-containing fertilizers.

#### **5.9.5 Source-specific recalculations**

CO<sub>2</sub> emissions due to the use of CAN fertiliser have been estimated for the 2021 submission.

#### **5.9.6 Source-specific planned improvements**

A working group was set up with *Assofertilizzanti* and ISTAT to compare the statistics produced by these two bodies. The aim is also to revise the data collection questionnaire in order to detect the amount of CAN distributed throughout the country.

## 6 Land Use, Land Use Change and Forestry [CRF sector 4]

### 6.1 Sector overview

CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and removals occur as a result of changes in land-use and management activities as well as because of forestry activities and disturbances. The sector is responsible for 41.6 Mt of CO<sub>2</sub> eq. net removal from the atmosphere in 2019.

Methods applied to estimate the GHG fluxes from the sector are derived from the 2006 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories (2006 IPCC Guidelines) and from 2013 IPCC KP Supplement (IPCC, 2014) for HWP estimation; similarly, all factors for which national data are not available have been taken from the 2006 IPCC Guidelines. For category 4A (Forest Land) estimates were supplied by a growth model, applied to national forest inventory (NFI) data, consistently with the TACCC principles implemented by IPCC methods, and with mostly country specific factors and parameters.

CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from forest fires are included in the net carbon stock changes reported in CRF table 4A, instead of in CRF table 4(V).

Greenhouse gas removals and emissions in the main categories of the LULUCF sector in 2019 are shown in Figure 6.1.

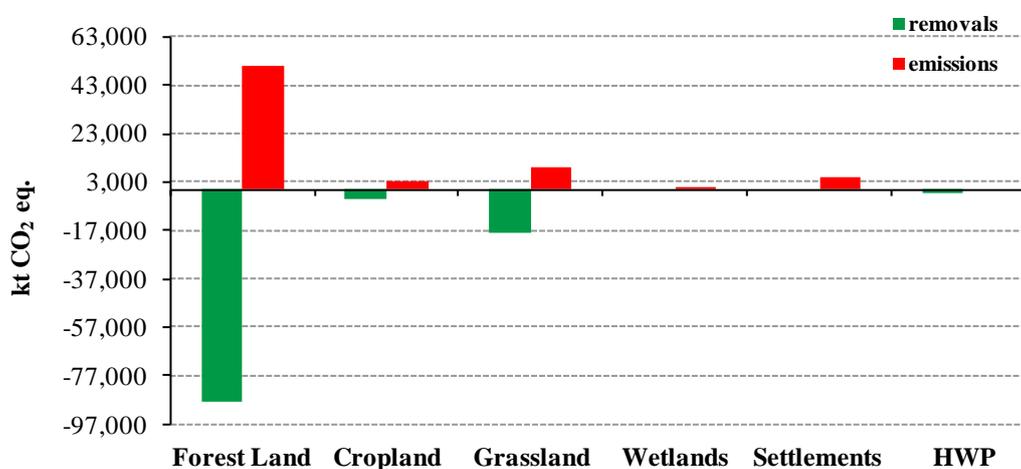


Figure 6.1 Greenhouse gas removals and emissions in LULUCF sector in 2019 [kt CO<sub>2</sub> eq.]

In Table 6.1 emissions and removals time series is reported.

**Table 6.1 Trend in greenhouse gas net emissions/removals (kt GHG) from the LULUCF sector in the period 1990-2019**

<b>GHG Source and Sink Categories</b>	<b>1990</b>	<b>1995</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2011</b>	<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>
<b>CO<sub>2</sub></b>	<b>-5,702</b>	<b>-24,905</b>	<b>-22,366</b>	<b>-35,995</b>	<b>-42,702</b>	<b>-34,978</b>	<b>-26,641</b>	<b>-40,561</b>	<b>-41,664</b>	<b>-44,274</b>	<b>-41,401</b>	<b>-22,411</b>	<b>-36,608</b>	<b>-42,235</b>
A. Forest Land	-17,852	-31,122	-26,004	-34,662	-36,658	-32,732	-28,659	-37,537	-38,717	-40,114	-37,074	-22,502	-32,822	-37,267
B. Cropland	2,293	1,058	-196	-1,668	-909	748	2,000	1,723	1,404	572	-1,010	-576	-158	-140
C. Grassland	3,605	-2,411	-2,212	-6,460	-9,521	-7,677	-4,873	-9,676	-9,209	-9,498	-8,497	-4,589	-9,010	-8,264
D. Wetlands	NE,NO	5	8	8	130	130	130	130	130	130	40	40	40	40
E. Settlements	6,640	8,272	6,491	7,290	4,397	4,404	4,408	4,416	4,424	4,441	5,178	5,181	5,187	5,195
F. Other Land	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
G. HWP	-388	-706	-454	-503	-142	149	353	382	304	196	-37	35	156	-1,799
H. Other	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
<b>CH<sub>4</sub></b>	<b>51.44</b>	<b>12.11</b>	<b>28.57</b>	<b>11.97</b>	<b>14.01</b>	<b>22.68</b>	<b>48.00</b>	<b>6.26</b>	<b>10.98</b>	<b>10.57</b>	<b>12.26</b>	<b>60.44</b>	<b>6.11</b>	<b>7.24</b>
A. Forest Land	23.77	4.82	12.38	4.99	4.42	9.00	24.51	3.46	4.42	6.54	7.55	45.41	4.90	4.47
B. Cropland	0.22	0.06	0.13	0.06	0.05	0.10	0.19	0.31	0.03	0.10	0.08	0.32	0.04	0.07
C. Grassland	27.45	7.22	16.07	6.93	9.54	13.58	23.30	2.49	6.52	3.94	4.62	14.71	1.17	2.70
D. Wetlands	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
E. Settlements	NO,NE	NO,NE	NO,NE	NO,NE	NO,NE	NO,NE	NO,NE	NO,NE	NO,NE	NO,NE	NO,NE	NO,NE	NO,NE	NO,NE
F. Other Land	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
G. HWP														
H. Other	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
<b>N<sub>2</sub>O</b>	<b>3.10</b>	<b>3.12</b>	<b>2.47</b>	<b>2.21</b>	<b>1.44</b>	<b>1.54</b>	<b>1.82</b>	<b>1.12</b>	<b>1.21</b>	<b>1.10</b>	<b>1.45</b>	<b>1.88</b>	<b>1.52</b>	<b>1.65</b>
A. Forest Land	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00
B. Cropland	0.44	0.53	0.26	0.22	0.14	0.11	0.09	0.06	0.03	0.00	0.07	0.16	0.22	0.29
C. Grassland	0.86	0.23	0.50	0.22	0.30	0.43	0.73	0.08	0.21	0.12	0.15	0.46	0.04	0.08
D. Wetlands	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
E. Settlements	1.70	2.25	1.65	1.72	0.97	0.97	0.97	0.97	0.97	0.97	1.22	1.22	1.22	1.22
F. Other Land	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
G. HWP														
H. Other	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
<b>LULUCF (kt CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent)</b>	<b>-3,491</b>	<b>-23,673</b>	<b>-20,916</b>	<b>-35,037</b>	<b>-41,923</b>	<b>-33,953</b>	<b>-24,900</b>	<b>-40,070</b>	<b>-41,029</b>	<b>-43,682</b>	<b>-40,661</b>	<b>-20,339</b>	<b>-36,003</b>	<b>-41,561</b>

CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and removals in LULUCF sector, in the period 1990-2019, are shown in Figure 6.2.

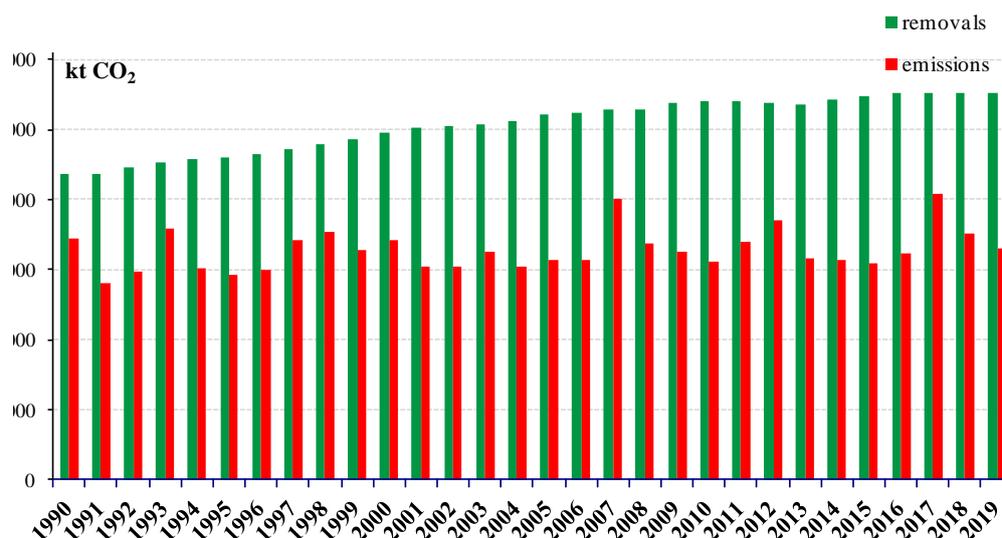


Figure 6.2 CO<sub>2</sub> removals and emissions in LULUCF sector in the period 1990-2019 [kt CO<sub>2</sub>]

The outcomes of the key category analysis for 2019, for both level and/or trend assessment with IPCC Approach 1 and Approach 2, are listed in Table 6.2.

Table 6.2 Key\* categories identified in the LULUCF sector

gas	Categories	2019
4.A.1	CO <sub>2</sub> Forest land remaining forest land	key (L, T)
4.A.2	CO <sub>2</sub> Land converted to forest land	key (L, T)
4.B.1	CO <sub>2</sub> Cropland remaining cropland	key (T)
4.C.1	CO <sub>2</sub> Grassland remaining Grassland	key (L, T)
4.C.2	CO <sub>2</sub> Land converted to Grassland	key (L, T)
4.E.2	CO <sub>2</sub> Land converted to Settlements	key (L, T2)

\* L = key category in level assessment under both Approach 1 and 2

T = key category in trend assessment under both Approach 1 and 2

L2 = key category in level assessment under Approach 2 only

T2 = key category in trend assessment under Approach 2 only

Background data for the land representation originates from the NFIs<sup>28</sup> (1985, 2005, 2012) and from the National Land-Use Inventory IUTI<sup>29</sup> referring to years 1990, 2000 and 2008. Additional data on non-forest categories were collected for the year 2012, through the first phase survey in the framework of the III NFI that was carried out on an IUTI's subgrid (i.e., 301,300 points, across the entire country territory).

Due to the technical characteristics of the IUTI assessment (i.e., classification of orthophotos), it was not possible to clearly distinguish among some subcategories included in *cropland* and *grassland* categories (e.g., annual pastures vs grazing land), and between them (e.g., annual crops and grazing land). Therefore, although the total aggregated area of the 2 categories *cropland* and *grassland* together is derived from the IUTI data, the area of each of their subcategories is disaggregated using as proxies the national statistics (ISTAT, [b], [c]) on annual crops, perennial woody crops, grazing land, and grassland. The data from the NFI have a higher hierarchical order than that of IUTI, so that differences among the two datasets have been reconciled by adjusting<sup>30</sup> the grassland category (subcategory natural grassland).

<sup>28</sup> National Forest Service, Ministry of Agricultural, Food and Forestry Policies (MIPAAF), Forest Monitoring and Planning Research Unit (CRA-MPF)

<sup>29</sup> Detailed information on IUTI is reported in Annex 10

<sup>30</sup> Where the NFI area of forest land was larger than that of IUTI an equivalent portion of grassland area, as classified by IUTI, was reclassified as forest land while if the NFI area was smaller an equivalent area of forest land in IUTI was reclassified as grassland. Such adjustments were implemented at regional level.

Annual figures for areas in transition between different land uses have been derived applying a rule-based method, informed by expert judgement, based on known patterns of land-use changes in Italy, while ensuring that the total national area remains constant.

Rules applied are the following:

- when the forest land area increases, an equivalent area is transferred from grassland;
- when the cropland area increases, an equivalent area is transferred from grassland;
- when the grassland area increases, an equivalent area is transferred from cropland;
- when the forest land decreases, an equivalent area is transferred to settlements; indeed, in Italy land use changes from forest to other uses are allowed in very limited circumstances (railways, highways constructions or other public utility projects) and only upon formal authorization, as stated in art. 4.2 of the Law Decree n. 227 of 2001. Further, land use changes of burnt forest areas are forbidden by national legislation (Law Decree 21 November 2000, n. 353, art.10.1).
- when the settlements area increases more than the deforested area, an equivalent area is transferred from grassland, and if the grassland decreases is not larger enough, the remaining portion is transferred from cropland and, where needed, from other land (see Table 6.20, 6.27, 6.33, 6.35).

On the basis of the land use and land-use change data derived from NFIs and IUTIs classifications after the application of the rule-based approach for land representation, a time series of land use matrices, one for each year of the period 1990–2019, have been compiled. Furthermore, land use changes have been derived, by the way of land use change matrices, smoothing the amount of changes over a 5-year period, harmonizing the whole time series (i.e. the 2015–2010 difference in area for each subdivision is divided by five, and the resulting value is added, year by year, to the previous year area to deduce the current area). The smoothing period affects the assessment of the area, depending on the amount of the difference between the two reference years (i.e. 2015–2010), as well as on the number of years included in the smoothing period. The smoothing process also affects the annual land-use change data.

In addition, it has to be noted that the smoothing process is implemented at the most disaggregated level (i.e. for annual and woody crops in cropland category, grazing land and shrublands in grassland category), and that it has been implemented starting from 1970 to the last reported year (i.e. 2019). Therefore, for the last period 2015-2019, the 2016 has been smoothed adding 1/4 of the difference between 2019 and 2015 to the 2015 activity data; the same for the calculation of 2017 data (addition of 1/4 of the difference between 2019 and 2015 to the 2016 activity data) and so on.

In the tables 6.3a and 6.3b land use data with and without the smoothing are provided.

**Table 6.3a Land use areas before smoothing**

<i>kha</i>	FL	CL	GL	WL	SL	OL	Total
1990	7,590	10,841	8,891	510	1,644	658	30,134
1991	7,668	10,857	8,768	511	1,672	658	30,134
1992	7,746	10,874	8,646	511	1,699	658	30,134
1993	7,824	10,891	8,523	511	1,727	658	30,134
1994	7,902	10,908	8,400	512	1,754	658	30,134
1995	7,980	10,924	8,278	512	1,782	657	30,134
1996	8,058	10,929	8,167	513	1,810	657	30,134
1997	8,136	10,919	8,071	513	1,837	657	30,134
1998	8,213	10,805	8,079	514	1,865	657	30,134
1999	8,291	10,697	8,082	514	1,892	657	30,134
2000	8,369	10,487	8,186	515	1,920	656	30,134
2001	8,447	10,351	8,216	515	1,948	656	30,134
2002	8,525	10,293	8,168	516	1,975	656	30,134
2003	8,603	10,031	8,324	516	2,003	656	30,134
2004	8,681	10,059	8,191	517	2,030	656	30,134
2005	8,759	9,879	8,265	517	2,058	656	30,134
2006	8,814	9,534	8,527	518	2,086	655	30,134
2007	8,868	9,555	8,424	518	2,113	655	30,134
2008	8,923	9,551	8,345	519	2,141	655	30,134
2009	8,978	9,069	8,751	526	2,156	655	30,134
2010	9,032	9,159	8,584	534	2,170	655	30,134
2011	9,087	8,947	8,718	541	2,185	655	30,134
2012	9,142	8,641	8,948	549	2,200	655	30,134
2013	9,196	8,977	8,535	556	2,214	655	30,134
2014	9,251	8,952	8,483	564	2,229	655	30,134
2015	9,305	8,845	8,513	571	2,244	655	30,134
2016	9,360	8,929	8,352	579	2,258	655	30,134
2017	9,415	8,889	8,316	586	2,273	655	30,134
2018	9,469	8,990	8,145	586	2,288	655	30,134
2019	9,524	9,001	8,065	586	2,302	655	30,134

**Table 6.3b Land use areas after smoothing**

<i>kha</i>	FL	CL	GL	WL	SL	OL	Total
1990	7,590	10,841	8,891	510	1,644	658	30,134
1991	7,668	10,857	8,768	511	1,672	658	30,134
1992	7,746	10,874	8,646	511	1,699	658	30,134
1993	7,824	10,891	8,523	511	1,727	658	30,134
1994	7,902	10,908	8,400	512	1,754	658	30,134
1995	7,980	10,924	8,278	512	1,782	657	30,134
1996	8,058	10,837	8,259	513	1,810	657	30,134
1997	8,136	10,749	8,241	513	1,837	657	30,134
1998	8,213	10,662	8,223	514	1,865	657	30,134
1999	8,291	10,574	8,204	514	1,892	657	30,134
2000	8,369	10,487	8,186	515	1,920	656	30,134
2001	8,447	10,365	8,202	515	1,948	656	30,134
2002	8,525	10,244	8,218	516	1,975	656	30,134
2003	8,603	10,122	8,233	516	2,003	656	30,134
2004	8,681	10,000	8,249	517	2,030	656	30,134
2005	8,759	9,879	8,265	517	2,058	656	30,134
2006	8,814	9,769	8,292	518	2,086	655	30,134
2007	8,868	9,660	8,318	518	2,113	655	30,134
2008	8,923	9,551	8,345	519	2,141	655	30,134
2009	8,978	9,355	8,464	526	2,156	655	30,134
2010	9,032	9,159	8,584	534	2,170	655	30,134
2011	9,087	9,096	8,570	541	2,185	655	30,134
2012	9,142	9,033	8,555	549	2,200	655	30,134
2013	9,196	8,971	8,541	556	2,214	655	30,134
2014	9,251	8,908	8,527	564	2,229	655	30,134
2015	9,305	8,845	8,513	571	2,244	655	30,134
2016	9,360	8,884	8,401	575	2,258	655	30,134
2017	9,415	8,923	8,289	579	2,273	655	30,134
2018	9,469	8,962	8,177	582	2,288	655	30,134
2019	9,524	9,001	8,065	586	2,302	655	30,134

Italy uses the IPCC default land use transition period of 20 years for each land-use change category. Consequently, to determine the area of lands converted to other land use categories for the inventory years 1990-2019, land use change matrices have also been prepared for the period 1971-1999.

The relevant equations of 2006 IPCC Guidelines (vol. 4, chapter 2, eq. 2.15, 2.16, 2.24, 2.25) have been applied; once a land has converted to a land use category, the annual changes in carbon stocks in mineral soils have been reported for 20 years subsequent the conversion.

In the following Table 6.4, the land use matrices for each year of the period 1971-2000 are reported. Annual matrices for the years 1990-2019 are reported in CRF tables 4.1.

**Table 6.4 Land use change matrices for the years 1990-2019**

	1990							total 1989	20 years matrix	1990							total 1971
	Forest	Grassland	Cropland	Wetlands	Settlements	Other Land				Forest	Grassland	Cropland	Wetlands	Settlements	Other Land		
1989	Forest	7,511				0.72		7,512	Forest	6,901				14.4			6,916
	Grassland	78.68	8,891	0.00	0.00	1.73	-	8,971	Grassland	689	8,566	136	0.00	33	0		9,423
	Cropland		0	10,841	0.00	25	-	10,866	Cropland		325	10,704	0.00	174	0		11,203
	Wetland				510			510	Wetland				510				510
	Settlements					1,616		1,616	Settlements					1,423			1,423
	Other Land					0.00	658	658	Other Land					0.00	658		658
	total 1990	7,590	8,891	10,841	510	1,644	658	30,134	Total 1990	7,589.8	8,890.9	10,840.5	510.1	1,644.0	658.3		30,134
	Land converted to:	78.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	27.6	0.0		Land converted to:	688.5	325.0	136.1	0.0	220.8	0.0		
1990	1991							total 1990	20 years matrix	1991							total 1972
	Forest	Grassland	Cropland	Wetlands	Settlements	Other Land				Forest	Grassland	Cropland	Wetlands	Settlements	Other Land		
	Forest	7,589				0.72		7,590	Forest	6,932				14.4			6,947
	Grassland	78.68	8,768	16.77	0.47	26.70	-	8,891	Grassland	736	8,450	153	0.47	59	0		9,398
	Cropland		0	10,841	0.00	0	-	10,841	Cropland		318	10,704	0.00	169	0		11,192
	Wetland				510			510	Wetland				510				510
	Settlements					1,644		1,644	Settlements					1,429			1,429
	Other Land					0.18	658	658	Other Land					0.18	658		658
total 1991	7,668	8,768	10,857	511	1,672	658	30,134	Total 1991	7,668	8,768	10,857	511	1,672	658		30,134	
Land converted to:	78.7	0.0	16.8	0.5	27.6	0.0		Land converted to:	736	318	153	0	243	0			
1991	1992							total 1991	20 years matrix	1992							total 1973
	Forest	Grassland	Cropland	Wetlands	Settlements	Other Land				Forest	Grassland	Cropland	Wetlands	Settlements	Other Land		
	Forest	7,667				0.72		7,668	Forest	6,963				14.4			6,978
	Grassland	78.68	8,646	16.77	0.47	26.70	-	8,768	Grassland	782	8,334	170	0.95	86	0		9,373
	Cropland		0	10,857	0.00	0	-	10,857	Cropland		312	10,704	0.00	164	0		11,181
	Wetland				511			511	Wetland				510				510
	Settlements					1,672		1,672	Settlements					1,434			1,434
	Other Land					0.18	658	658	Other Land					0.36	658		658
total 1992	7,746	8,646	10,874	511	1,699	658	30,134	Total 1992	7,746	8,646	10,874	511	1,699	658		30,134	
Land converted to:	78.7	0.0	16.8	0.5	27.6	0.0		Land converted to:	782	312	170	1	265	0			
1992	1993							total 1992	20 years matrix	1993							total 1974
	Forest	Grassland	Cropland	Wetlands	Settlements	Other Land				Forest	Grassland	Cropland	Wetlands	Settlements	Other Land		
	Forest	7,745				0.72		7,746	Forest	6,994				14.4			7,009
	Grassland	78.68	8,523	16.77	0.47	26.70	-	8,646	Grassland	829	8,218	186	1.42	113	0		9,348
	Cropland		0	10,874	0.00	0	-	10,874	Cropland		305	10,704	0.00	159	0		11,169
	Wetland				511			511	Wetland				510				510
	Settlements					1,699		1,699	Settlements					1,440			1,440
	Other Land					0.18	658	658	Other Land					0.54	658		658
total 1993	7,824	8,523	10,891	511	1,727	658	30,134	Total 1993	7,824	8,523	10,891	511	1,727	658		30,134	
Land converted to:	78.7	0.0	16.8	0.5	27.6	0.0		Land converted to:	829	305	186	1	287	0			
1993	1994							total 1993	20 years matrix	1994							total 1975
	Forest	Grassland	Cropland	Wetlands	Settlements	Other Land				Forest	Grassland	Cropland	Wetlands	Settlements	Other Land		
	Forest	7,823				0.72		7,824	Forest	7,025				14.4			7,040
	Grassland	78.68	8,400	16.77	0.47	26.70	-	8,523	Grassland	876	8,101	203	1.89	139	0		9,322
	Cropland		0	10,891	0.00	0	-	10,891	Cropland		299	10,704	0.00	155	0		11,158
	Wetland				511			511	Wetland				510				510
	Settlements					1,727		1,727	Settlements					1,445			1,445
	Other Land					0.18	658	658	Other Land					0.72	658		658
total 1994	7,902	8,400	10,908	512	1,754	658	30,134	Total 1994	7,902	8,400	10,908	512	1,754	658		30,134	
Land converted to:	78.7	0.0	16.8	0.5	27.6	0.0		Land converted to:	876	299	203	2	309	0			
1994	1995							total 1994	20 years matrix	1995							total 1976
	Forest	Grassland	Cropland	Wetlands	Settlements	Other Land				Forest	Grassland	Cropland	Wetlands	Settlements	Other Land		
	Forest	7,901				0.72		7,902	Forest	7,056				14.4			7,071
	Grassland	78.68	8,278	16.77	0.47	26.70	-	8,400	Grassland	923	7,985	220	2.37	166	0		9,297
	Cropland		0	10,908	0.00	0	-	10,908	Cropland		292	10,704	0.00	150	0		11,147
	Wetland				512			512	Wetland				510				510
	Settlements					1,754		1,754	Settlements					1,451			1,451
	Other Land					0.18	657	658	Other Land					0.90	657		658
total 1995	7,980	8,278	10,924	512	1,782	657	30,134	Total 1995	7,980	8,278	10,924	512	1,782	657		30,134	
Land converted to:	78.7	0.0	16.8	0.5	27.6	0.0		Land converted to:	923	292	220	2	331	0			
1995	1996							total 1995	20 years matrix	1996							total 1977
	Forest	Grassland	Cropland	Wetlands	Settlements	Other Land				Forest	Grassland	Cropland	Wetlands	Settlements	Other Land		
	Forest	7,979				0.72		7,980	Forest	7,068				14.4			7,083
	Grassland	78.68	8,199	0	0.00	0.00	-	8,278	Grassland	989	7,907	193	2.37	161	0		9,252
	Cropland		60.32	10,837	0.47	26.70	-	10,924	Cropland		353	10,644	0.47	176	0		11,174
	Wetland				512			512	Wetland				510				510
	Settlements					1,782		1,782	Settlements					1,456			1,456
	Other Land					0.18	657	657	Other Land					1.08	657		658
total 1996	8,058	8,259	10,837	513	1,810	657	30,134	Total 1996	8,058	8,259	10,837	513	1,810	657		30,134	
Land converted to:	78.7	60.3	0.0	0.5	27.6	0.0		Land converted to:	989	353	193	3	353	0			

		1997						total 1996
		Forest	Grassland	Cropland	Wetlands	Settlements	Other Land	
1996	Forest	8,057				0.72		8,058
	Grassland	78.68	8,181	0	0.00	0.00	-	8,259
	Cropland		60.32	10,749	0.47	26.70	-	10,837
	Wetland				513			513
	Settlements					1,810		1,810
	Other Land					0.18	657	657
	total 1996		8,136	8,241	10,749	513	1,837	657
Land converted to:		78.7	60.3	0.0	0.5	27.6	0.0	

20 years matrix		1997						total 1978
		Forest	Grassland	Cropland	Wetlands	Settlements	Other Land	
1978	Forest	7,080				14.4		7,095
	Grassland	1,055	7,828	166	2.37	157	0	9,207
	Cropland		413	10,584	0.95	203	0	11,201
	Wetland				510			510
	Settlements					1,462		1,462
	Other Land					1.26	657	658
	Total 1997		8,136	8,241	10,749	513	1,837	657
Land converted to:		1,055	413	166	3	375	0	

		1998						total 1997
		Forest	Grassland	Cropland	Wetlands	Settlements	Other Land	
1997	Forest	8,135				0.72		8,136
	Grassland	78.68	8,162	0	0.00	0.00	-	8,243
	Cropland		60.32	10,662	0.47	26.70	-	10,749
	Wetland				513			513
	Settlements					1,837		1,837
	Other Land					0.18	657	657
	total 1998		8,213	8,223	10,662	514	1,865	657
Land converted to:		78.7	60.3	0.0	0.5	27.6	0.0	

20 years matrix		1998						total 1979
		Forest	Grassland	Cropland	Wetlands	Settlements	Other Land	
1979	Forest	7,093				14.4		7,107
	Grassland	1,121	7,749	138	2.37	152	0	9,163
	Cropland		473	10,524	1	230	0	11,228
	Wetland				510			510
	Settlements					1,467		1,467
	Other Land					1.44	657	658
	Total 1998		8,213	8,223	10,662	514	1,865	657
Land converted to:		1,121	473	138	4	398	0	

		1999						total 1998
		Forest	Grassland	Cropland	Wetlands	Settlements	Other Land	
1998	Forest	8,213				0.72		8,213
	Grassland	78.68	8,144	0	0.00	0.00	-	8,223
	Cropland		60.32	10,574	0.47	26.70	-	10,662
	Wetland				514			514
	Settlements					1,865		1,865
	Other Land					0.18	657	657
	total 1999		8,291	8,204	10,574	514	1,892	657
Land converted to:		78.7	60.3	0.0	0.5	27.6	0.0	

20 years matrix		1999						total 1980
		Forest	Grassland	Cropland	Wetlands	Settlements	Other Land	
1980	Forest	7,105				14.4		7,119
	Grassland	1,187	7,671	111	2.37	147	0	9,118
	Cropland		534	10,463	1.89	257	0	11,256
	Wetland				510			510
	Settlements					1,473		1,473
	Other Land					1.62	657	658
	Total 1999		8,291	8,204	10,574	514	1,892	657
Land converted to:		1,187	534	111	4	420	0	

		2000						total 1999
		Forest	Grassland	Cropland	Wetlands	Settlements	Other Land	
1999	Forest	8,291				0.72		8,291
	Grassland	78.68	8,126	0	0.00	0.00	-	8,204
	Cropland		60.32	10,487	0.47	26.70	-	10,574
	Wetland				514			514
	Settlements					1,892		1,892
	Other Land					0.18	656	657
	total 2000		8,369	8,186	10,487	515	1,920	656
Land converted to:		78.7	60.3	0.0	0.5	27.6	0.0	

20 years matrix		2000						total 1981
		Forest	Grassland	Cropland	Wetlands	Settlements	Other Land	
1981	Forest	7,117				14.4		7,131
	Grassland	1,252	7,592	84	2.37	142	0	9,073
	Cropland		594	10,403	2.37	283	0	11,283
	Wetland				510			510
	Settlements					1,478		1,478
	Other Land					1.80	656	658
	Total 2000		8,369	8,186	10,487	515	1,920	656
Land converted to:		1,252	594	84	5	442	0	

		2001						total 2000
		Forest	Grassland	Cropland	Wetlands	Settlements	Other Land	
2000	Forest	8,369				0.72		8,369
	Grassland	78.68	8,107	-	-	-	-	8,186
	Cropland		94.48	10,365	0.47	26.70	-	10,487
	Wetland				515			515
	Settlements					1,920		1,920
	Other Land					0.18	656	656
	total 2001		8,447	8,202	10,365	515	1,948	656
Land converted to:		78.7	94.5	0.0	0.5	27.6	0.0	

20 years matrix		2001						total 1982
		Forest	Grassland	Cropland	Wetlands	Settlements	Other Land	
1982	Forest	7,131				14.4		7,145
	Grassland	1,317	7,572	84	2.37	142	0	9,117
	Cropland		630	10,281	2.84	305	0	11,219
	Wetland				510			510
	Settlements					1,484		1,484
	Other Land					1.98	656	658
	Total 2001		8,447	8,202	10,365	515	1,948	656
Land converted to:		1,317	630	84	5	464	0	

		2002						total 2001
		Forest	Grassland	Cropland	Wetlands	Settlements	Other Land	
2001	Forest	8,447				0.72		8,447
	Grassland	78.68	8,123	-	-	-	-	8,202
	Cropland		94.48	10,244	0.47	26.70	-	10,365
	Wetland				515			515
	Settlements					1,948		1,948
	Other Land					0.18	656	656
	total 2002		8,525	8,218	10,244	516	1,975	656
Land converted to:		78.7	94.5	0.0	0.5	27.6	0.0	

20 years matrix		2002						total 1983
		Forest	Grassland	Cropland	Wetlands	Settlements	Other Land	
1983	Forest	7,144				14.4		7,159
	Grassland	1,381	7,552	84	2.37	142	0	9,161
	Cropland		666	10,160	3.32	327	0	11,156
	Wetland				510			510
	Settlements					1,489		1,489
	Other Land					2.17	656	658
	Total 2002		8,525	8,218	10,244	516	1,975	656
Land converted to:		1,381	666	84	6	486	0	

		2003						total 2002
		Forest	Grassland	Cropland	Wetlands	Settlements	Other Land	
2002	Forest	8,525				0.72		8,525
	Grassland	78.68	8,139	-	-	-	-	8,218
	Cropland		94.48	10,122	0.47	26.70	-	10,244
	Wetland				516			516
	Settlements					1,975		1,975
	Other Land					0.18	656	656
	total 2003		8,603	8,233	10,122	516	2,003	656
Land converted to:		78.7	94.5	0.0	0.5	27.6	0.0	

20 years matrix		2003						total 1984
		Forest	Grassland	Cropland	Wetlands	Settlements	Other Land	
1984	Forest	7,158				14.4		7,173
	Grassland	1,445	7,531	84	2.37	142	0	9,205
	Cropland		702	10,038	3.79	349	0	11,093
	Wetland				510			510
	Settlements					1,495		1,495
	Other Land					2.35	656	658
	Total 2003		8,603	8,233	10,122	516	2,003	656
Land converted to:		1,445	702	84	6	508	0	

		2004						total 2003
		Forest	Grassland	Cropland	Wetlands	Settlements	Other Land	
2003	Forest	8,603				0.72		8,603
	Grassland	78.68	8,155	-	-	-	-	8,233
	Cropland		94.48	10,000	0.47	26.70	-	10,122
	Wetland				516			516
	Settlements					2,003		2,003
	Other Land					0.18	656	656
	total 2004		8,681	8,249	10,000	517	2,030	656
Land converted to:		78.7	94.5	0.0	0.5	27.6	0.0	

20 years matrix		2004						total 1985
		Forest	Grassland	Cropland	Wetlands	Settlements	Other Land	
1985	Forest	7,172				14.4		7,186
	Grassland	1,509	7,511	84	2.37	142	0	9,249
	Cropland		738	9,916	4.26	371	0	11,030
	Wetland				510			510
	Settlements					1,506		1,506
	Other Land					2.53	656	658
	Total 2004		8,681	8,249	10,000	517	2,030	656
Land converted to:		1,509	738	84	7	530	0	

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	2006						total 2005
	Forest	Grassland	Cropland	Wetlands	Settlements	Other Land	
2005	8,756				3.69		8,759
Forest	58.31	8,207	-	-	-	-	8,265
Grassland		84.89	9,769	0.47	23.73	-	9,879
Cropland				517			517
Wetland					2,058		2,058
Settlements					0.18	655	656
Other Land	8,814	8,292	9,769	518	2,086	655	30,134
total 2006	58.3	84.9	0.0	0.5	27.6	0.0	
Land converted to:							

	2007						total 2006
	Forest	Grassland	Cropland	Wetlands	Settlements	Other Land	
2006	8,810				3.69		8,814
Forest	58.31	8,233	-	-	-	-	8,292
Grassland		84.89	9,660	0.47	23.73	-	9,769
Cropland				518			518
Wetland					2,086		2,086
Settlements					0.18	655	655
Other Land	8,868	8,318	9,660	518	2,113	655	30,134
total 2007	58.3	84.9	0.0	0.5	27.6	0.0	
Land converted to:							

	2008						total 2007
	Forest	Grassland	Cropland	Wetlands	Settlements	Other Land	
2007	8,865				3.69		8,868
Forest	58.31	8,260	-	-	-	-	8,318
Grassland		84.89	9,551	0.47	23.73	-	9,660
Cropland				518			518
Wetland					2,113		2,113
Settlements					0.18	655	655
Other Land	8,923	8,345	9,551	519	2,141	655	30,134
total 2008	58.3	84.9	0.0	0.5	27.6	0.0	
Land converted to:							

	2009						total 2008
	Forest	Grassland	Cropland	Wetlands	Settlements	Other Land	
2008	8,919				3.69		8,923
Forest	58.31	8,286	-	-	-	-	8,345
Grassland		177.88	9,355	7.52	10.98	-	9,551
Cropland				519			519
Wetland					2,141		2,141
Settlements					0.00	655	655
Other Land	8,978	8,464	9,355	526	2,156	655	30,134
total 2009	58.3	177.9	0.0	7.5	14.7	0.0	
Land converted to:							

	2010						total 2009
	Forest	Grassland	Cropland	Wetlands	Settlements	Other Land	
2009	8,974				3.69		8,978
Forest	58.31	8,406	-	-	-	-	8,464
Grassland		177.88	9,159	7.52	10.98	-	9,355
Cropland				526			526
Wetland					2,156		2,156
Settlements					0.00	655	655
Other Land	9,032	8,584	9,159	534	2,170	655	30,134
total 2010	58.3	177.9	0.0	7.5	14.7	0.0	
Land converted to:							

	2011						total 2010
	Forest	Grassland	Cropland	Wetlands	Settlements	Other Land	
2010	9,029				3.69		9,032
Forest	58.31	8,526	-	-	-	-	8,584
Grassland		44	9,096	7.52	10.98	0.00	9,159
Cropland				534			534
Wetland					2,170		2,170
Settlements					0.00	655	655
Other Land	9,087	8,570	9,096	541	2,185	655	30,134
total 2011	58.3	44.1	0.0	7.5	14.7	0.0	
Land converted to:							

	2012						total 2011
	Forest	Grassland	Cropland	Wetlands	Settlements	Other Land	
2011	9,083				3.69		9,087
Forest	58.31	8,511	-	-	-	-	8,570
Grassland		44	9,033	7.52	10.98	0.00	9,096
Cropland				541			541
Wetland					2,185		2,185
Settlements					0.00	655	655
Other Land	9,142	8,555	9,033	549	2,200	655	30,134
total 2012	58.3	44.1	0.0	7.5	14.7	0.0	
Land converted to:							

	2013						total 2012
	Forest	Grassland	Cropland	Wetlands	Settlements	Other Land	
2012	9,138				3.69		9,142
Forest	58.31	8,497	-	-	-	-	8,555
Grassland		44	8,971	7.52	10.98	0.00	9,033
Cropland				549			549
Wetland					2,200		2,200
Settlements					0.00	655	655
Other Land	9,196	8,541	8,971	556	2,214	655	30,134
total 2013	58.3	44.1	0.0	7.5	14.7	0.0	
Land converted to:							

	2014						total 2013
	Forest	Grassland	Cropland	Wetlands	Settlements	Other Land	
2013	9,192				3.69		9,196
Forest	58.31	8,483	-	-	-	-	8,541
Grassland		44	8,908	7.52	10.98	-	8,971
Cropland				556			556
Wetland					2,214		2,214
Settlements					0.00	655	655
Other Land	9,251	8,527	8,908	564	2,229	655	30,134
total 2014	58.3	44.1	0.0	7.5	14.7	0.0	
Land converted to:							

20 years matrix	2006						total 1987
	Forest	Grassland	Cropland	Wetlands	Settlements	Other Land	
1987	7,258				20.4		7,278
Forest	1,556	7,430	84	2.37	140	0	9,213
Grassland		862	9,686	5.21	388	0	10,941
Cropland				510			510
Wetland					1,534		1,534
Settlements					2.89	655	658
Other Land	8,814	8,292	9,769	518	2,086	655	30,134
total 2006	1,556	862	84	8	552	0	
Land converted to:							

20 years matrix	2007						total 1988
	Forest	Grassland	Cropland	Wetlands	Settlements	Other Land	
1988	7,333				23.4		7,356
Forest	1,536	7,371	84	2.37	139	0	9,132
Grassland		947	9,577	5.68	387	0	10,916
Cropland				510			510
Wetland					1,561		1,561
Settlements					3.07	655	658
Other Land	8,868	8,318	9,660	518	2,113	655	30,134
total 2007	1,536	947	84	8	552	0	
Land converted to:							

20 years matrix	2008						total 1989
	Forest	Grassland	Cropland	Wetlands	Settlements	Other Land	
1989	7,408				26.3		7,434
Forest	1,516	7,313	84	2.37	137	0	9,052
Grassland		1,032	9,467	6.16	386	0	10,891
Cropland				510			510
Wetland					1,589		1,589
Settlements					3.25	655	658
Other Land	8,923	8,345	9,551	519	2,141	655	30,134
total 2008	1,516	1,032	84	9	552	0	
Land converted to:							

20 years matrix	2009						total 1990
	Forest	Grassland	Cropland	Wetlands	Settlements	Other Land	
1990	7,483				29.3		7,512
Forest	1,495	7,255	84	2.37	135	0	8,971
Grassland		1,210	9,271	13.68	371	0	10,866
Cropland				510			510
Wetland					1,616		1,616
Settlements					3.25	655	658
Other Land	8,978	8,464	9,355	526	2,156	655	30,134
total 2009	1,495	1,210	84	16	539	0	
Land converted to:							

20 years matrix	2010						total 1991
	Forest	Grassland	Cropland	Wetlands	Settlements	Other Land	
1991	7,558				32.3		7,590
Forest	1,475	7,196	84	2.37	134	0	8,891
Grassland		1,387	9,075	21.19	357	0	10,841
Cropland				510			510
Wetland					1,644		1,644
Settlements					3.25	655	658
Other Land	9,032	8,584	9,159	534	2,170	655	30,134
total 2010	1,475	1,387	84	24	526	0	
Land converted to:							

20 years matrix	2011						total 1992
	Forest	Grassland	Cropland	Wetlands	Settlements	Other Land	
1992	7,633				35.3		7,668
Forest	1,454	7,138	67	1.89	107	0	8,768
Grassland		1,432	9,029	28.7	368	0	10,857
Cropland				511			511
Wetland					1,672		1,672
Settlements					3.07	655	658
Other Land	9,087	8,570	9,096	541	2,185	655	30,134
total 2011	1,454	1,432	67	31	513	0	
Land converted to:							

20 years matrix	2012						total 1993
	Forest	Grassland	Cropland	Wetlands	Settlements	Other Land	
1993	7,707				38.2		7,746
Forest	1,434	7,080	50	1.42	80	0	8,646
Grassland		1,476	8,983	36.23	379	0	10,874
Cropland				511			511
Wetland					1,699		1,699
Settlements					2.89	655	658

		2015						total 2014
		Forest	Grassland	Cropland	Wetlands	Settlements	Other Land	
2014	Forest	9,247				3.69		9,251
	Grassland	58.31	8,469	-	-	-	-	8,527
	Cropland		44	8,845	7.52	10.98		8,908
	Wetland				564			564
	Settlements					2,229		2,229
	Other Land					0.00	655	655
total 2015		9,305	8,513	8,845	571	2,244	655	30,134
Land converted to:		58.3	44.1	0.0	7.5	14.7	0.0	

		2016						total 2015
		Forest	Grassland	Cropland	Wetlands	Settlements	Other Land	
2015	Forest	9,302				3.69		9,305
	Grassland	58.31	8,401	38.90	3.76	10.98	-	8,513
	Cropland		0	8,884	0.00	-	-	8,884
	Wetland				571			571
	Settlements					2,244		2,244
	Other Land					0.00	655	655
total 2016		9,360	8,401	8,884	575	2,258	655	30,134
Land converted to:		58.3	0.0	38.9	3.8	14.7	0.0	

		2017						total 2016
		Forest	Grassland	Cropland	Wetlands	Settlements	Other Land	
2016	Forest	9,356				3.69		9,360
	Grassland	58.31	8,289	38.90	3.76	10.98	-	8,401
	Cropland		0	8,884	-	-	-	8,884
	Wetland				575			575
	Settlements					2,258		2,258
	Other Land					0.00	655	655
total 2017		9,415	8,289	8,923	579	2,273	655	30,134
Land converted to:		58.3	0.0	38.9	3.8	14.7	0.0	

		2018						total 2017
		Forest	Grassland	Cropland	Wetlands	Settlements	Other Land	
2017	Forest	9,411				3.69		9,415
	Grassland	58.31	8,177	38.90	3.76	10.98	-	8,289
	Cropland		0	8,923	-	-	-	8,923
	Wetland				579			579
	Settlements					2,273		2,273
	Other Land					0.00	655	655
total 2018		9,469	8,177	8,962	582	2,288	655	30,134
Land converted to:		58.3	0.0	38.9	3.8	14.7	0.0	

		2019						total 2018
		Forest	Grassland	Cropland	Wetlands	Settlements	Other Land	
2018	Forest	9,466				3.69		9,469
	Grassland	58.31	8,065	38.90	3.76	10.98	-	8,177
	Cropland		0	8,962	-	-	-	8,962
	Wetland				582			582
	Settlements					2,288		2,288
	Other Land					0.00	655	655
total 2019		9,524	8,065	9,001	586	2,302	655	30,134
Land converted to:		58.3	0.0	38.9	3.8	14.7	0.0	

		2015						total 1996
20 years matrix		Forest	Grassland	Cropland	Wetlands	Settlements	Other Land	
1996	Forest	7,932				47.1		7,980
	Grassland	1,373	6,905	0	0.00	0	0	8,278
	Cropland		1,608	8,845	58.79	412	0	10,924
	Wetland				512			512
	Settlements					1,782		1,782
	Other Land					2.35	655	657
Total 2015		9,305	8,513	8,845	571	2,244	655	30,134
Land converted to:		1,373	1,608	0	59	462	0	

		2016						total 1997
20 years matrix		Forest	Grassland	Cropland	Wetlands	Settlements	Other Land	
1997	Forest	8,007				50.1		8,058
	Grassland	1,353	6,853	39	3.76	11	0	8,259
	Cropland		1,548	8,845	58.31	385	0	10,837
	Wetland				513			513
	Settlements					1,810		1,810
	Other Land					2.17	655	657
Total 2016		9,360	8,401	8,884	575	2,258	655	30,134
Land converted to:		1,353	1,548	39	62	449	0	

		2017						total 1998
20 years matrix		Forest	Grassland	Cropland	Wetlands	Settlements	Other Land	
1998	Forest	8,082				53.1		8,136
	Grassland	1,332	6,802	78	7.52	22	0	8,241
	Cropland		1,487	8,845	57.84	359	0	10,749
	Wetland				513			513
	Settlements					1,837		1,837
	Other Land					1.98	655	657
Total 2017		9,415	8,289	8,923	579	2,273	655	30,134
Land converted to:		1,332	1,487	78	65	436	0	

		2018						total 1999
20 years matrix		Forest	Grassland	Cropland	Wetlands	Settlements	Other Land	
1999	Forest	8,157				56.1		8,213
	Grassland	1,312	6,750	117	11.28	33	0	8,223
	Cropland		1,427	8,845	57.37	332	0	10,662
	Wetland				514			514
	Settlements					1,865		1,865
	Other Land					1.80	655	657
Total 2018		9,469	8,177	8,962	582	2,288	655	30,134
Land converted to:		1,312	1,427	117	69	423	0	

		2019						total 2000
20 years matrix		Forest	Grassland	Cropland	Wetlands	Settlements	Other Land	
2000	Forest	8,232				59.0		8,291
	Grassland	1,291	6,698	156	15.04	44	0	8,204
	Cropland		1,367	8,845	56.89	305	0	10,574
	Wetland				514			514
	Settlements					1,892		1,892
	Other Land					1.62	655	657
Total 2019		9,524	8,065	9,001	586	2,302	655	30,134
Land converted to:		1,291	1,367	156	72	410	0	

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## 6.2 Forest Land (4A)

### 6.2.1 Description

Under this category, CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and removals from living biomass and dead organic matter, in forest land remaining forest land and from living biomass, dead organic matter (DOM) and soil organic matter (SOM) in land converted to forest land have been reported.

Forest land removals share, in 2019, 70.5% of total CO<sub>2</sub> eq. LULUCF emissions and removals. CO<sub>2</sub> removals are mainly stored in the living biomass, i.e., 94.3%, while DOM and SOM store only 3.5% and 2.2%.

CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and removals from forest land remaining forest land and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from land converted to forest land have been identified as key categories in level and in trend assessment either with Approach 1 and Approach 2.

Management practices in the Italian forests are guided by the Legislative Decree n. 227 of 18 May 2001, although the design and implementation of specific guidelines has been carried out at regional level since, according to the Italian Constitutional Law, the forest management is a regional competence. The Legislative Decree n. 227/2001 provides 5 general guidance on forest management:

- protect forest ecosystem functions, genetic resources, water basins and landscape;
- avoid conversion of forest land to other land uses, and where occurring apply compensative reforestations with endemic species;
- avoid conversion from forest stands to coppices;
- avoid clear-cut;
- conserve biodiversity, including true conservation of old trees and dead wood.

### 6.2.2 Information on approaches used for representing land areas and on land-use databases used for the inventory preparation

The forest definition adopted by Italy in the framework of application of KP-LULUCF activities is also applied to the LULUCF sector of the inventory under the Convention, in order to maintain coherence and congruity between the two forest-related reporting.

The forest definition adopted under the Convention and under the Kyoto Protocol is the same used for the NFIs<sup>31</sup>. The forest definition included areas where trees 1) fulfil the required threshold or 2) "have the potential to reach *in situ*" such required thresholds. For instance, *abandoned land with regenerating forest* is classified forest in consideration of the potential that vegetation has to reach the forest thresholds while shrublands do not and will never meet the forest definition; for this reason, shrublands are included in the *grassland* category: other wooded land. The assessment of vegetation potential to meet thresholds is carried out in the field (phase 2 of the NFI), and it is mainly based on the time needed to reach the forest thresholds, which should not exceed the 20 years. This means that also shrublands that are expected to evolve to forest vegetation within such time frame are classified as forests.

Forest land area is that of the NFIs. For any forest area growth, it is assumed that new forest land area can only come from grassland.

The Italian Ministry of Agriculture and Forests (MAF) and the Experimental Institute for Forest Management (ISAFa) carried out the National Forest Inventories. The first NFI was based on a regular sampling grid of 3 km by 3 km, (MAF/ISAFa, 1988), the second NFI (INFC2005) used a grid of 1 km by 1 km, so as the third NFI (NFI2015). Even though the NFI2015 has completed only the first phase, the area data of "Forest" and of "other wooded land", resulting by the photointerpretation have been used, on the basis of the ratio "other wooded land"/"Forest", deduced from previous NFI. NFI2015 results will be available in the early 2022, after the completion of the on-field measurements on the plots of the sampling grid.

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<sup>31</sup> The detailed definition is reported on the website of the NFIs [http://www.sian.it/inventarioforestale/jsp/q\\_features.jsp](http://www.sian.it/inventarioforestale/jsp/q_features.jsp) (forest definition: <http://www.sian.it/inventarioforestale/jsp/linkmetodo/definizionilink1.jsp>)

### 6.2.3 Land-use definitions and the classification systems used and their correspondence to the LULUCF categories

The forest definition adopted by Italy in the framework of the Kyoto Protocol has been used. This definition is in line with the definition of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, therefore the following threshold values for tree crown cover, land area and tree height have been applied:

- a minimum area of land of 0.5 hectares;
- tree crown cover of 10 per cent;
- minimum tree height of 5 meters.

### 6.2.4 Methodological issues

#### Forest Land remaining Forest Land

To model C stock changes in forest land Italy uses the *For-est* model together with data from NFIs.

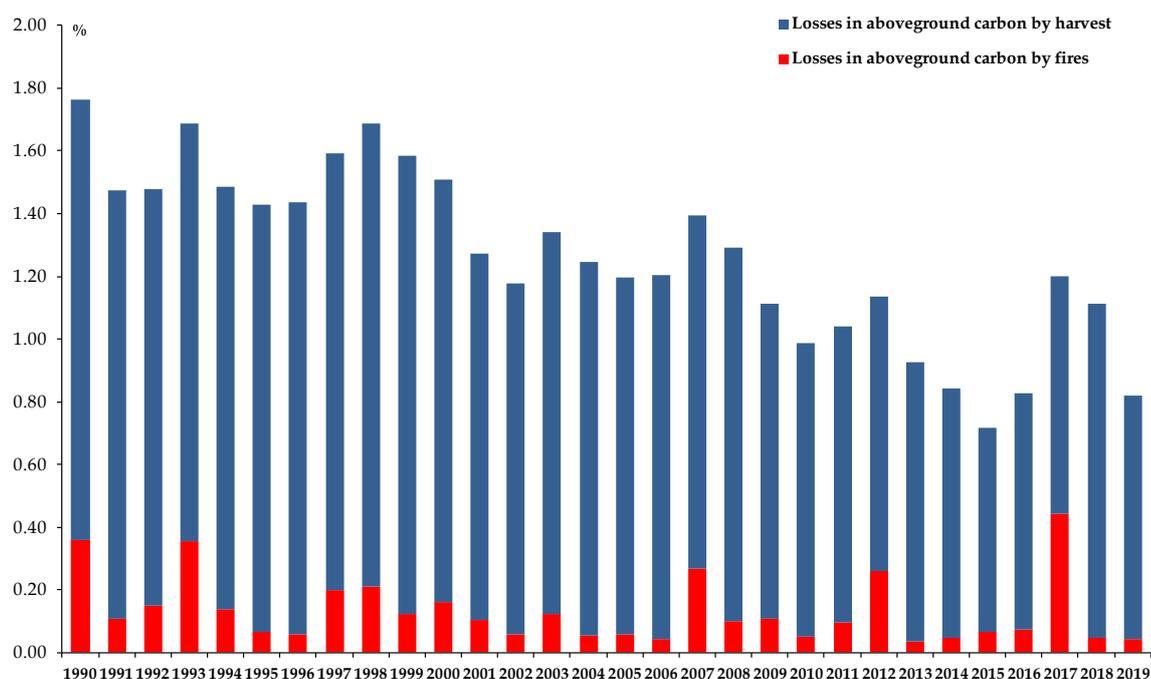
**Table 6.5 Carbon pools, ecosystem components in the NFI surveys<sup>32</sup>**

Forest carbon pools	Ordinary survey	Supplementary survey (Third phase)	Thresholds
<i>Aboveground biomass</i>	Biomass of trees with DBH $\geq$ 4.5 cm (trees-AGB) Number or subjects of regeneration and shrubs	Ratio dry matter to wet & allometric Ratio dry matter to wet	All woody AGB included
<i>Belowground biomass</i>		Ratio root to shoot	$\phi > 2$ mm
	Volume of coarse woody debris (CWD)	Basic densities	$\phi \geq 9.5$ cm
	Volume of stumps	Basic densities	$\phi \geq 9.5$ cm
<i>Deadwood</i>	Volume of standing dead trees (STD)	Basic densities	As for living trees
	Fine woody debris: not measured (FWD)	Wet weight per unit area; dry matter to wet ratio	$2.5 \leq \phi < 9.5$ cm
<i>Litter</i>	not measured	Wet weight per unit area; dry matter to wet ratio	Fine woody debris $\phi \leq 2.5$ cm, plus all other non-living biomass $\phi \leq 2$ mm
<i>Soil</i>	not measured	Organic carbon per unit area	all organic carbon for an increment of 30 cm, plus all other biomass and dead mass $\phi < 2$ mm

The model applies the IPCC classification and definitions for C pools: living biomass, both aboveground and belowground; dead organic matter, including dead wood and litter; and soil organic matter. Information on the model is reported in Annex 14; additional information on methodological aspects can be found in Federici et al. (2008).

As described in step 3.b of Annex 14, biomass in burnt areas is assumed to have been completely lost, although not all the biomass stock is oxidised during the fire event. In Figure 6.3, aboveground biomass losses due to harvest and forest fires, expressed as percentage on total aboveground carbon stock in forest land, are shown. In the late 2018, North-Eastern regions of Italy (i.e., Trentino Alto Adige, Veneto, Friuli Venezia Giulia, Lombardia and, only marginally, Piedmont and Valle d'Aosta) were hit by Vaia storm, recording severe forest damages. Destroyed or intensely damaged forest stands amounted to about 42.500 ha; the growing stock volume of fallen trees was about 8.5 million m<sup>3</sup> (Chirici et al., 2019). The Vaia effects are noticeable in 2018 losses of aboveground carbon in figure 6.3.

<sup>32</sup> Specific documentation and information on the definitions of the NFI pools (e.g. the diameter threshold for deadwood and how this pool is differentiated from litter, which soil horizons are included in the soil pool and which pool contains the humus layer) are available at the NFI website: <https://www.inventarioforestale.org/it/node/72> (i.e., [https://www.inventarioforestale.org/sites/default/files/datiinventario/manuale\\_fase3%2B\\_v4\\_definitiva\\_REGp.pdf](https://www.inventarioforestale.org/sites/default/files/datiinventario/manuale_fase3%2B_v4_definitiva_REGp.pdf); [https://www.inventarioforestale.org/sites/default/files/datiinventario/pubbl/INFC2015\\_Guida\\_per\\_i\\_rilievi\\_in\\_campo\\_2016-12.pdf](https://www.inventarioforestale.org/sites/default/files/datiinventario/pubbl/INFC2015_Guida_per_i_rilievi_in_campo_2016-12.pdf))



**Figure 6.3 Losses by harvest and fires in relation to aboveground carbon**

CO<sub>2</sub> emissions due to wildfires in forest land remaining forest land are included in CRF Table 4.A.1, carbon stocks change in living biomass - losses. Non-CO<sub>2</sub> gases are estimated separately from the aboveground biomass loss calculated by the *For-est* model; from the aboveground biomass loss the amount of C oxidized during the fire event is estimated using oxidation factors specific of the fire events, accordingly to the amount of C oxidized. CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions are inferred (see also paragraph 6.12.2 and Annex 15). Non-CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from fires have been estimated and reported in CRF table 4(V).

Organic soils in forest land remaining forest land do not occur (NO).

CO<sub>2</sub> emissions due to wildfires in land converted to forest land are included in CRF Table 4.A.2, carbon stocks change in living biomass - losses.

Non-CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from fires have been estimated and reported in CRF table 4(V); details on the methodology used to estimate emissions are reported in paragraph 6.12.2.

#### *Land converted to Forest Land*

The area of land converted to forest land always comes from grassland not subject to any specific management practice (i.e., under natural conditions). It is assumed that other conversions do not occur, and there is no evidence that those do occur. Accordingly, methods and factors for grassland converted to forest land are applied to estimate C stock changes and associated GHG emissions and removals.

Italy applies a 20-year conversion period and an approach 2 land representation, so that, in any inventory year, the area reported under this category is the cumulated area of all conversions occurred in that year plus the area converted in the 19 previous years.

As for forest land remaining forest land, carbon stock changes in living biomass are calculated using the same *For-est* model.

The DOM pools have been estimated using coefficient values for each forest inventory typology and assuming a constant, linear, accumulation rate of both dead wood and litter across the conversion time till the coefficient value is achieved when the land transfers to the category forest land remaining forest land. In practice, in each conversion year, 1/20 of the dead wood mass coefficient and of the litter mass coefficient are reported as net CO<sub>2</sub> removals.

The dead wood dry mass coefficients for each forest inventory typology, see table 6.6, have been estimated using data taken for the Italian national forest inventory, in 2008 and 2009 across the country from the plots of the national forest inventory network (<http://www.sian.it/inventarioforestale/jsp/necromassa.jsp>). The mass (wet matter) collected on the ground in those plots has been converted in dry matter using basic densities appositely calculated in a specific study (Di Cosmo et al., 2013). The data collected, aggregated at regional level, are accessible at the NFI website: [http://www.sian.it/inventarioforestale/jsp/dati\\_carquant\\_tab.jsp](http://www.sian.it/inventarioforestale/jsp/dati_carquant_tab.jsp).

The definition of the deadwood pool, coherent with the definition adopted by the NFI, is “*All non-living woody biomass not contained in the litter, either standing, lying on the ground, or in the soil. Dead wood includes wood lying on the surface, stumps larger than or equal to 10 cm in diameter and standing trees with DBH > 4,5 cm*”.

**Table 6.6 Dead-wood coefficients for dry mass (d.m.)**

	<b>Inventory typology</b>	<b>d.m. <i>t ha<sup>-1</sup></i></b>
<i>stands</i>	norway spruce	6.360
	silver fir	7.770
	larches	3.830
	mountain pines	4.385
	mediterranean pines	2.670
	other conifers	4.290
	european beech	3.350
	turkey oak	1.770
	other oaks	1.690
	other broadleaves	3.990
<i>coppices</i>	european beech	3.350
	sweet chestnut	12.990
	hornbeams	2.730
	other oaks	1.690
	turkey oak	1.770
	evergreen oaks	1.370
	other broadleaves	2.690
	Conifers	4.290
<i>plantations</i>	eucalyptuses coppices	0.670
	other broadleaves coppices	0.670
	poplars stands	0.480
	other broadleaves stands	0.670
	conifers stands	3.040
<i>protective</i>	rupicolous forest	2.730
	riparian forest	4.790

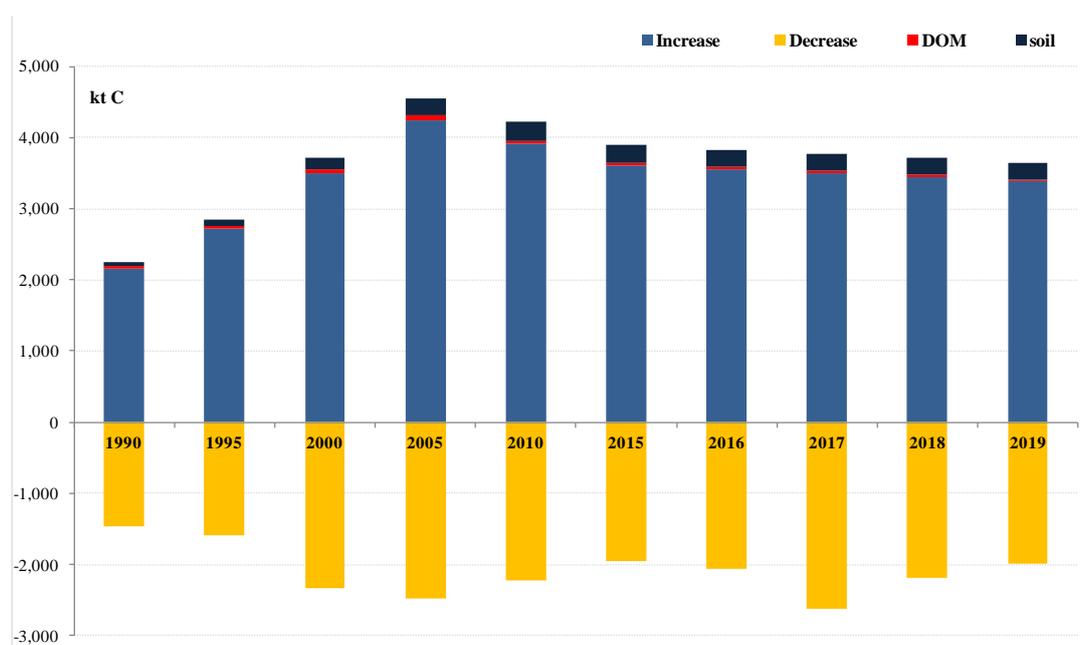
Litter mass coefficients per hectare has been estimated at regional level from data available from the national forest inventory ([http://www.sian.it/inventarioforestale/jsp/dati\\_carquant\\_tab.jsp](http://www.sian.it/inventarioforestale/jsp/dati_carquant_tab.jsp)).

To estimate carbon stock changes in mineral soils, the IPCC default method has been applied. A country-specific SOC stock for natural grassland has been set at 78.9 t C ha<sup>-1</sup>, based on a review of the latest papers on soil carbon in mountain meadows, pastures, set-aside lands as well as undisturbed abandoned land, in Italy (Masciandaro and Ceccanti, 1999; Del Gardo *et al.*, 2003; Benedetti *et al.*, 2004; Viaroli and Gardi, 2004; La Mantia *et al.*, 2007; Xiloyannis, 2007; IPLA, 2007; ERSAF, 2008; CRPA, 2009). For forest soils, the time series of SOC stocks, as reported in Table 6.7, has reported. A detailed description of the methodology used in the estimation process of soils pool, and consequently of the SOC stocks, is provided in par. 9.3.1.2, related to the KP-LULUCF.

**Table 6.7 Soil Organic Carbon (SOC) stocks for forest land remaining forest land**

<i>Years</i>	<b>SOC stock <i>t C ha<sup>-1</sup></i></b>
<b>1985-1994</b>	79.809
<b>1995-1999</b>	80.172
<b>2000-2004</b>	80.575
<b>2005-2009</b>	81.083
<b>2010-2014</b>	81.601
<b>2015-2019</b>	82.213

In Figure 6.4, the C stock changes in land converted to forest land are shown.



**Figure 6.4 C stock changes in land converted to forest land (kt C)**

Organic soils in land converted to forest land do not occur (NO).

CO<sub>2</sub> emissions due to wildfires in land converted to forest land are included in CRF Table 4.A.2, carbon stocks change in living biomass - losses.

Non-CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from fires have been estimated and reported in CRF table 4(V); details on the methodology used to estimate emissions are reported in paragraph 6.12.2.

### 6.2.5 Uncertainty and time series consistency

To assess the overall uncertainty of the time series 1990–2019, Approach 1 of 2006 IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006) has been applied. Input uncertainties for activity data and emission factors are derived from the country specific information and from the defaults provided in the 2006 IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006).

In Table 6.8, the values of carbon stock of each pool, for the year 1985, and the associated uncertainties are reported for the entire forest land area.

**Table 6.8 Carbon stocks and uncertainties for year 1985 and current increment related uncertainty**

<i>Carbon stocks</i> <i>t CO<sub>2</sub> eq. ha<sup>-1</sup></i>	<i>Aboveground biomass</i>	V <sub>AG</sub>	139.92
	<i>Belowground biomass</i>	V <sub>BG</sub>	31.6
	<i>Dead wood</i>	V <sub>D</sub>	3.3
	<i>Litter</i>	V <sub>L</sub>	2.7
<i>Uncertainty</i>	<i>Growing stock</i>	E <sub>NFI</sub>	3.2%
	<i>Current increment (Richards)<sup>33</sup></i>	E <sub>NFI</sub>	51.6%
	<i>Harvest</i>	E <sub>H</sub>	30%
	<i>Fire</i>	E <sub>F</sub>	30%
	<i>Drain and grazing</i>	E <sub>D</sub>	30%
	<i>Mortality</i>	E <sub>M</sub>	30%
	<i>BEF</i>	E <sub>BEFI</sub>	30%
	<i>R</i>	E <sub>R</sub>	30%
	<i>deadwood</i>	E <sub>DEF</sub>	4.6%
	<i>Litter</i>	E <sub>L</sub>	10%
	<i>Basic Density</i>	E <sub>BD</sub>	30%
	<i>C Conversion Factor</i>	E <sub>CF</sub>	2%

<sup>33</sup> The current increment is estimated by the Richards function (first derivative); uncertainty has been assessed considering the standard error of the linear regression between the estimated values and the corresponding current increment values reported in the National Forest Inventory

The uncertainties of each carbon pool and the overall uncertainty for 1985 has been computed and shown in Table 6.9.

**Table 6.9 Uncertainties for the year 1985**

<i>Aboveground biomass</i>	E <sub>AG</sub>	42.59%
<i>Belowground biomass</i>	E <sub>BG</sub>	52.10%
<i>Dead wood</i>	E <sub>D</sub>	42.84%
<i>Litter</i>	E <sub>L</sub>	43.75%
<b><i>Overall uncertainty</i></b>	<b>E<sub>1985</sub></b>	<b>34.85%</b>

The overall uncertainty related to 1985 (the year of the first National Forest Inventory) has been propagated through the years, till 2019, following Approach 1.

The uncertainties related to the carbon pools and the overall uncertainty for 2019 are shown in Table 6.10.

**Table 6.10 Uncertainties for the year 2019**

<i>Aboveground biomass</i>	E <sub>AG</sub>	42.64%
<i>Belowground biomass</i>	E <sub>BG</sub>	52.14%
<i>Dead wood</i>	E <sub>D</sub>	42.89%
<i>Litter</i>	E <sub>L</sub>	43.80%
<b><i>Overall uncertainty</i></b>	<b>E</b>	<b>35.39%</b>

Following Approach 1 and the abovementioned methodology, the overall uncertainty in the estimates produced by the described model has been quantified; in Table 6.11 the uncertainties of the 1985-2019 period are reported.

**Table 6.11 Overall uncertainties 1985 – 2019 (%)**

1985	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
34.9	35.0	35.1	35.2	35.2	35.3	35.3	35.3	35.3	35.3	35.4	35.4	35.4	35.4	35.4

The overall uncertainty in the model estimates between 1990 and 2019 has been assessed with the following relation:

$$E_{1990-2019} = \frac{\sqrt{(E_{1990} \cdot V_{1990})^2 + (E_{2019} \cdot V_{2019})^2}}{|V_{1990} + V_{2019}|}$$

where the terms V stands for the growing stock volume [ $m^3 ha^{-1} CO_2 eq$ ] while the uncertainties have been indicated with the letter E. The overall uncertainty related to the year 1990–2019 is equal to 25.1%.

A Monte Carlo analysis has been carried out to assess uncertainty for Forest Land category (considering both Forest Land remaining Forest Land and Land converted to Forest Land), considering the different reporting pools (*aboveground, belowground, litter, deadwood and soils*), and the subcategories stands, coppices and rupicolous and riparian forests for the reporting year 2009, resulting equal to 49%. As for Land converted to Forest Land, an asymmetrical probability density distribution resulted from the analysis, showing uncertainties values equal to -147.6% and 192.3%. Normal distributions have been assumed for most of the parameters. A more detailed description and results are reported in Annex 1.

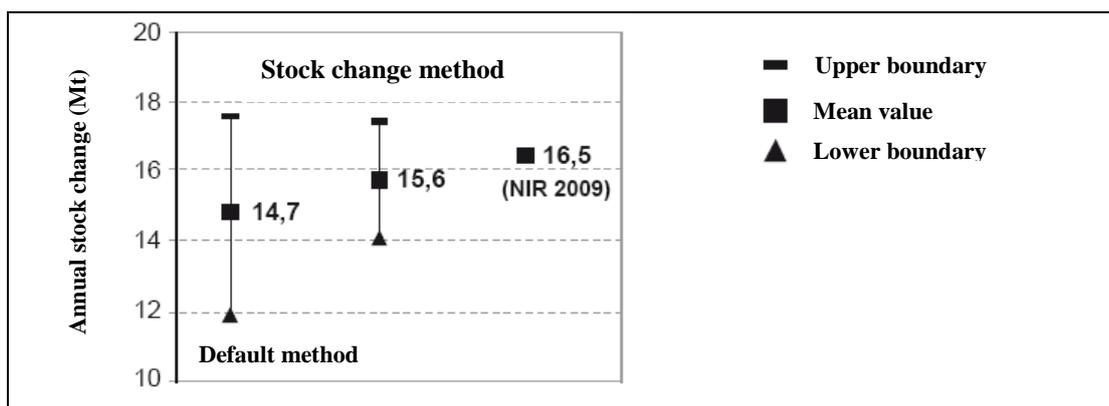
### 6.2.6 Category-specific QA/QC and verification

Systematic quality control activities have been carried out to ensure completeness and consistency in time series and correctness in the sum of sub-categories; where possible, activity data comparison among different sources (FAO database<sup>34</sup>, ISTAT data<sup>35</sup>) has been made. Data entries have been checked several times during the compilation of the inventory; attention has been focussed on the categories showing significant changes between two years in succession. Land use matrices have been accurately checked and cross-checked to ensure that data were properly reported. An independent verification of the living biomass net change with data from

<sup>34</sup> FAO, 2015. FAOSTAT, <http://faostat3.fao.org/home/E>

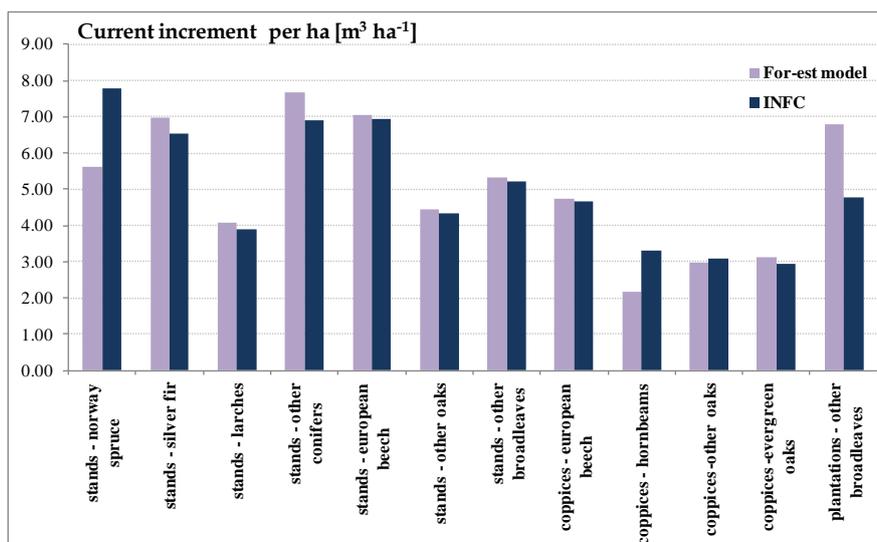
<sup>35</sup> ISTAT, several years [a], [b], [c]

the second NFI, for the year 2005 (Tabacchi et al., 2010) was performed. In Figure 6.5 outcome of the comparison is shown.



**Figure 6.5 Comparison between carbon stock changes, for living biomass pool, by the National GHG Inventory (ISPRA) and estimated data of NFI2005 (II NFI) measurements (modified from Tabacchi et al., 2010)**

The NFI2005 forest typologies are different from those elaborated for the first forest inventory. A confusion matrix, between forest typologies of the NFI2005 and those of the first forest inventory classification systems is under finalization. In the meanwhile, a comparison among NFI2005 current increment data and *For-est* model current increment data is possible only for a not exhaustive number of inventory typologies. In the following Figure 6.6 the comparison has been reported.



**Figure 6.6 Average national current increment: comparison among NFI2005 (INFC) data and For-est model estimates**

An interregional project, named INEMAR<sup>36</sup>, developed to carry out atmospheric emissions inventories at local scale, includes a module to estimate forest land emissions and removals, following the methodology described in the par. 6.2.4. The module has been applied, at local scale with local data in Lombardia region, for the different pools and for the years 1990, 2000, 2005, 2008.

In Figure 6.7 carbon stocks, in the different pools, estimated by the National GHG Inventory (ISPRA) and the corresponding values obtained in the INEMAR framework for the Lombardia region, are shown (ARPA Lombardia - Regione Lombardia, 2011 [a, b]).

<sup>36</sup> INEMAR: INventario EMissioni Aria: [http://www.ambiente.regione.lombardia.it/inemar/e\\_inemarhome.htm](http://www.ambiente.regione.lombardia.it/inemar/e_inemarhome.htm)

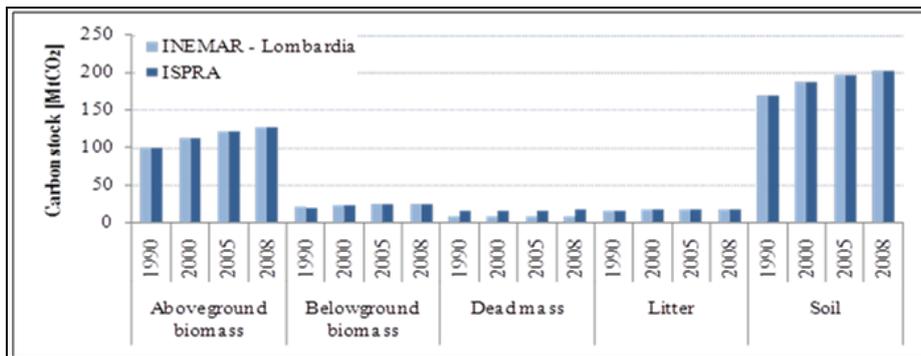


Figure 6.7 CO<sub>2</sub> removals estimates by the National GHG Inventory (ISPRA) and the INEMAR project for Lombardia

In Table 6.12 carbon stocks, in the different pools, estimated by the National GHG Inventory (ISPRA) and the corresponding values obtained in the INEMAR framework for the Lombardia region, are shown.

Table 6.12 CO<sub>2</sub> removals by the National GHG Inventory (ISPRA) and the INEMAR project for Lombardia

	INEMAR - Lombardia	ISPRA	Differences
	kt CO <sub>2</sub>	kt CO <sub>2</sub>	%
1990	311,370	319,203	-2.45
2000	345,886	353,326	-2.11
2005	367,537	375,275	-2.06
2008	379,742	387,673	-2.05

An additional verification activity has been carried out, comparing the implied carbon stock change per area (IEF), related to the living biomass, with the IEFs reported by other Parties. The 2020 submission<sup>37</sup> has been considered to deduce the different IEFs; in Figure 6.8 the comparison is showed, taking into account the IEFs for both the forest land remaining forest land (FL-FL) and land converting to forest land (L-FL) subcategories, for the living biomass.

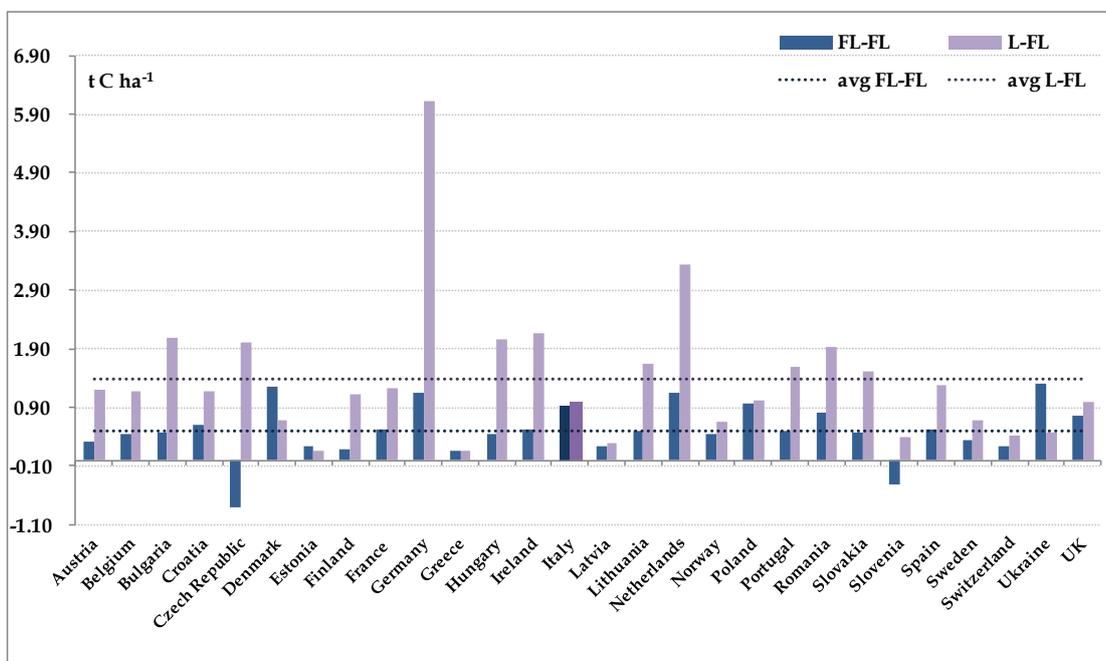


Figure 6.8 Implied carbon stock change per area for the living biomass

<sup>37</sup> <https://unfccc.int/ghg-inventories-annex-i-parties/2020>

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### **6.2.7 Category-specific recalculations**

Slight recalculation occurs in the 2021 submission, comparing to the 2020 submission, for the forest land remaining forest land (-2.1% for the 2018 reporting year) and land converted to forest land (-1.6% for the 2018 reporting year). The recalculation is due to the update of the activity data, in particular, harvest data burned areas.

### **6.2.8 Category-specific planned improvements**

The data, expected in 2021-2022, of the third NFI will allow calibrating the increment curve and verifying the *For-est* estimates through a comparison with estimates prepared with the stock-difference method. Currently, the *For-est* model does not remove year by year the impact of deforestation from the calculation of the forest biomass density and consequently from the calculation of the annual increment. This improvement is planned for the 2022 submission. The *For-est* model currently does not calculate annual biomass increment in the areas converted to forest in the year. The inclusion of such areas is deemed necessary to address the identified underestimate of the biomass C stock (see Annex 14 on the *For-est* model). This improvement is planned for the 2022 submission. The *For-est* model does not discriminate among forest remaining forest and land converted to forest, once data from the third NFI will be available an update of the model could be planned to allow for disaggregated estimates of C stock changes in land converted to forest land.

## **6.3 Cropland (4B)**

### **6.3.1 Description**

Under this category, CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from living biomass, and soils have been reported, for cropland remaining cropland and for land converted to cropland.

Cropland net emissions share 1.7% of total 2019 LULUCF CO<sub>2</sub> eq. net emissions; in particular, the soil pools represent 98.3%, of the whole cropland fluxes while the remaining originate from living biomass pool.

CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and removals from cropland remaining cropland have been identified as key category in trend assessment with Approach 1 and 2.

### **6.3.2 Information on approaches used for representing land areas and on land-use databases used for the inventory preparation**

Information on the land representation is reported in section 6.1. For the cropland category, as already discussed, it is assumed that the only conversion occurring is from grassland to cropland. The IPCC default land use transition period of 20 years has been applied.

### **6.3.3 Land-use definitions and the classification systems used and their correspondence to the LULUCF categories**

Cropland includes all annual and perennial crops.

Due to the technical characteristics of the IUTI assessment (i.e., classification of orthophotos), it was not possible clearly distinguish among some subcategories in *cropland* and non-woody *grassland* categories (e.g., grazing lands and unmanaged/natural grasslands). Therefore, although the total aggregated area of the 2 categories *cropland* and *grassland* together is derived from the IUTI data, the area of each of their subcategories is disaggregated using as proxies the national statistics (ISTAT, [b], [c]) on annual crops and perennial woody crops.

### **6.3.4 Methodological issues**

Activity data for cropland remaining cropland have been subdivided into annual and perennial crops. Changes in the biomass C stock has been estimated for perennial crops in both cropland remaining cropland and land converted to cropland, while for annual crops in land converted to cropland only.

Soil carbon stock changes have been estimated and reported for annual and perennial crops in both cropland remaining cropland and land converted to cropland subcategories.

### Living biomass – perennial crops

For perennial crops, biomass carbon stock changes have been estimated on the basis of the annual rates of biomass gain and loss (IPCC 2006, Vol. 4, Chapter 2, Equation 2.7).

The annual carbon stock in living biomass and the woody crops area annually undergoing to a woody biomass removal (e.g., biomass cleared and replanted with a different crop) have been estimated; in addition, the total woody crops area has subdivided into age classes, taking into account three main woody crops types (i.e., olives, vineyards and other fruit). The estimation process has been carried out at NUTS2 (regional) level, based on the available data from national statistics (ISTAT, [b], [c]) for the different woody crops species<sup>38</sup> and harvest/maturity cycles.

The carbon stock change in living biomass during the plantation cycle is estimated on the basis of an annual constant net gain (accumulation rate), per perennial crop type and age class. Table 6.13 summarises the aboveground and belowground biomass carbon stock at the end of the maturity cycle for each group of perennial crops. These values correspond to the total biomass carbon stocks removed during the harvesting. All values have been assessed based on the database collected in the framework of the LIFE project MEDINET<sup>39</sup>.

**Table 6.13 Harvest/maturity cycle, aboveground and belowground biomass carbon stock at harvest**

Crops	Harvest/maturity cycle yr	Aboveground C stock		Belowground C stock	
		t C ha <sup>-1</sup>	std dev (t C ha <sup>-1</sup> )	t C ha <sup>-1</sup>	std dev (t C ha <sup>-1</sup> )
olive	50	9.13	1.07	2.60	0.09
vineyards (wine grapes)	20	5.60	0.50	4.46	0.34
vineyards (for other)	30	5.62	0.50	4.48	0.35
orchards, pear, apple, cherry	25	8.91	1.32	5.75	0.32
peach, apricot	15	8.94	1.29	5.72	0.65
kiwifruit	20	8.90	1.31	5.73	0.68
other fruit	20	8.90	1.31	5.73	0.68

Net biomass carbon stock changes are equal to -316.5 kt C for 1990, and -203.6 kt C for 2019, a complete time series is summarised in Table 6.14.

**Table 6.14 Change in carbon stock in living biomass**

Area kha	aboveground biomass			belowground biomass			net change in C stock kt C	
	Gains kt C	Losses kt C	Net change kt C	Gains kt C	Losses kt C	Net change kt C		
1990	2,698	486	-693	-207	316	-425	-110	-317
1991	2,701	481	-448	33	312	-311	1	33
1992	2,704	472	-569	-97	305	-391	-86	-183
1993	2,707	464	-538	-74	300	-371	-71	-145
1994	2,710	453	-433	21	292	-303	-10	10
1995	2,712	443	-534	-91	285	-367	-82	-173
1996	2,691	431	-671	-241	277	-447	-170	-411
1997	2,670	417	-630	-212	268	-428	-160	-372
1998	2,648	403	-646	-243	259	-426	-167	-410
1999	2,627	388	-616	-228	249	-424	-175	-403
2000	2,606	376	-693	-316	240	-533	-293	-609
2001	2,600	369	-382	-12	237	-267	-30	-43
2002	2,594	365	-440	-75	235	-308	-73	-148
2003	2,589	363	-466	-102	234	-321	-87	-189
2004	2,583	361	-382	-20	234	-268	-34	-54

<sup>38</sup> Olive, vineyard (for wine grapes and other), orchards (orange, mandarine, clementine, lemon, grapefruit, bergamot, cedar, chinotto), apple, peach, pear, apricot, cherry, kiwifruit, other fruits (carob, fig, plum, hazelnut, almond, raspberry)

<sup>39</sup> MEDINET (Mediterranean Network for Reporting Emissions and Removals in Cropland and Grassland): <https://www.lifemedinet.com/>

Area	<i>kha</i>	aboveground biomass			belowground biomass			net change in C stock <i>kt C</i>
		Gains <i>kt C</i>	Losses <i>kt C</i>	Net change <i>kt C</i>	Gains <i>kt C</i>	Losses <i>kt C</i>	Net change <i>kt C</i>	
2005	2,577	360	-467	-107	234	-305	-71	-178
2006	2,578	359	-369	-10	234	-263	-29	-39
2007	2,579	359	-389	-29	235	-265	-30	-59
2008	2,579	360	-431	-71	235	-303	-67	-138
2009	2,577	360	-447	-87	236	-294	-58	-145
2010	2,574	360	-441	-81	236	-320	-84	-165
2011	2,540	358	-680	-321	235	-404	-169	-490
2012	2,507	351	-796	-445	231	-483	-251	-696
2013	2,473	336	-589	-254	223	-428	-205	-459
2014	2,439	327	-658	-331	218	-451	-232	-563
2015	2,405	319	-665	-346	214	-451	-237	-582
2016	2,401	315	-450	-135	214	-310	-96	-231
2017	2,398	314	-489	-176	215	-313	-98	-274
2018	2,394	312	-518	-206	216	-326	-110	-316
2019	2,391	308	-452	-144	216	-276	-60	-204

### Soils – annual and perennial crops

For mineral soils, the estimation method is based on changes in SOC stocks over a finite period due to changes in management practices. According to the 2006 IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006), the change in mineral soil SOC stocks (vol. 4, chapter 2, eq. 2.25) is the result of a change in management practices in a unit of land across time. The soil C stock changes in annual and perennial crops have been estimated considering the following cropland management practices reported in table 6.15.

**Table 6.15 Cropland management practices**

cropland subcategory	management practices	definition	CAP regulations
<b>annual crops</b>	Arable land (Ordinary)	A kind of agriculture that does not evidence any kind of soil carbon stock technical maintenance	
	Organic arable land	Management of waste crop; Organic manure; Extended crop rotation; Selection of better crop varieties; Cover crops	Reg. (EEC) n. 2078/92, Reg. (EC) n. 834/2007 and Reg. (EC) n. 889/2008, RDPs 2000-2006: Reg. (EC) n. 1257/99, RDPs 2007-2013: Reg. (EC) n. 1698/2005 and Reg. (EC) n. 74/2009
	Sustainable arable land	Crop rotation; Grassing; Specific erosion prevention; Cover crops; Minimum tillage	National decree on sustainable agriculture n. 2722/2008; RDPs 2000-2006: Reg. (EC) n. 1257/99; RDPs 2007-2013: Reg. (EC) n. 1698/2005 and Reg. (EC) n. 74/2009
	Set aside	Natural grassing; At least one mowing	Reg. (EEC) N. 1765/1992; National decree on cross compliance implementation n. 30125/2009 and subsequent revisions
	Conservative practices	Zero tillage; Organic manure; Grassing; Cover crops; Minimum tillage; Crop rotation	RDPs 2007-2013: Reg. (EC) n. 1698/2005 and Reg. (EC) n. 74/2009
<b>perennial crops</b>	Woody crops (Ordinary)	A kind of agriculture that does not evidence any kind of soil carbon stock technical maintenance	
	Organic woody crops	Management of waste crop; Organic manure; Extended crop rotation; Selection of better crop varieties; Cover crops	Reg. (EEC) n. 2078/92, Reg. (EC) n. 834/2007 and Reg. (EC) n. 889/2008, RDPs 2000-2006: Reg. (EC) n. 1257/99, RDPs 2007-2013: Reg. (EC) n. 1698/2005 and Reg. (EC) n. 74/2009

woody crops - Sustainable management	Crop rotation; Grassing; Specific erosion prevention; Cover crops; Minimum tillage	National decree on sustainable agriculture n. 2722/2008; RDPs 2000-2006: Reg. (EC) n. 1257/99; RDPs 2007-2013: Reg. (EC) n. 1698/2005 and Reg. (EC) n. 74/2009
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In the following Table 6.16 the data source for each management practice is listed.

**Table 6.16 Cropland management practices and relative data sources**

cropland subcategory	management practice	data source
<b>annual crops</b>	Ordinary	ISTAT
	Organic	National Information system on organic agriculture (SINAB)
	Sustainable	Annual Implementation Reports (RAE) and Annual Report on Operational Programs: 2000-2018
	Set aside	Eurostat: 1990-2016
	Conservative practices	Annual Implementation Reports (RAE): 2008-2018
<b>perennial crops</b>	Ordinary	ISTAT
	Organic	National Information system on organic agriculture (SINAB)
	Sustainable	Annual Implementation Reports (RAE) and Annual Report on Operational Programs: 2000-2018

The annual areas subject to the abovementioned management practices, at regional level, have been estimated, also considering the transition to and from different management practices (e.g. ordinary annual crops to organic annual crops, ordinary annual crops to sustainable annual crops, etc.). Changes in carbon stocks in mineral soils has been calculated by applying the equation 2.25 of the IPCC, 2006 (vol. 4, chapter 2). The IPCC default transition period, i.e. 20 years, has been considered.

The SOC<sub>ref</sub> classification of the soils is based on the default reference SOC stocks for mineral soils (tC/ha in 0-30 cm) provided in table 2.3 of IPCC 2006. The identification of country specific SOC<sub>ref</sub> have been performed using a combination of the following map layers:

- IPCC climate zones (JRC) - <http://eusoiils.jrc.ec.europa.eu/projects/RenewableEnergy/>
- Corine Land cover 2006 (grassland: legend codes: 2.3 ad 3.2) - <http://sia.eionet.europa.eu/CLC2006>
- Soil map of Italy - (reclassified according to the main groups of soil types as in table 2.3) - Costantini E.A.C., L'Abate G., Barbetti R., Fantappiè M., Lorenzetti R., Magini S. (2013) Carta dei suoli d'Italia, scala 1:1.000.000 - <http://www.soilmaps.it/>
- Map of Italy with administrative boundaries.

Overlapping the abovementioned layers, the Italian soils have been classified according to the IPCC soil classes (table 2.3, vol. 4, chapter 2 of the 2006 IPCC Guidelines), and their related climate zones as percentage in each region. According to the thereby defined distribution of the soil types and climate zones in each Italian region, it was possible to define the SOC<sub>ref</sub>. The stock change factors (F<sub>LU</sub>, F<sub>MG</sub>, F<sub>I</sub>) adapted to the national circumstances, have been derived by the default values provided in table 5.5 of the 2006 IPCC Guidelines (vol.4, chapter 5) and have been applied considering the percentage of moist and dry climates in each administrative region. The F factors considered, and are reported in the following Table 6.17.

**Table 6.17 Stock change factors**

	Management practice	F <sub>LU</sub>		F <sub>MG</sub>		F <sub>I</sub>	
		Moist	Dry	Moist	Dry	Moist	Dry
<b>annual crops</b>	Ordinary	0.69	0.8	1	1	0.92	0.95
	Organic	0.69	0.8	1	1	1.44	1.37
	Sustainable	0.69	0.8	1.08	1.02	1	1
	Set aside	0.82	0.93	1.15	1.1	0.92	0.95
	Conservative	0.69	0.8	1.15	1.1	1.11	1.04
<b>perennial crops</b>	Ordinary	1	1	1	1	1	1
	Organic	1	1	1.08	1.02	1.44	1.37
	Sustainable	1	1	1.08	1.02	0.92	0.95

The SOC stocks per hectare, calculated on the basis of the previously described procedure, are shown in the table 6.18, per region and per management practices, for annual and perennial crops. Estimates of SOC stock changes in annual and perennial crops are reported in Table 6.19.

**Table 6.18 SOC stocks per region and management practice**

Region	annual crops					perennial crops		
	Ordinary	Organic	Sustainable	Set aside	Conservative	Ordinary	Organic	Sustainable
	SOC stock (t C ha <sup>-1</sup> ) <sup>l</sup>					SOC stock (t C ha <sup>-1</sup> ) <sup>l</sup>		
Piemonte	49.04	74.86	56.02	65.64	65.18	72.91	109.79	71.92
Valle D'Aosta	57.29	89.45	67.07	78.13	79.15	89.72	139.09	89.08
Liguria	51.15	78.64	58.89	68.87	68.82	77.29	117.47	76.40
Lombardia	52.32	80.88	60.59	70.76	71.06	80.06	122.53	79.26
Trentino Alto-Adige	56.84	88.97	66.73	77.68	78.87	89.54	139.26	88.97
Veneto	46.88	71.05	53.14	62.38	61.55	68.60	102.36	67.53
Friuli - Venezia Giulia	55.94	87.56	65.67	76.45	77.62	88.12	137.05	87.56
Emilia - Romagna	40.13	59.60	44.50	52.53	50.87	56.17	81.60	54.94
Toscana	38.18	56.43	42.11	49.78	47.98	52.88	76.32	51.64
Umbria	46.72	70.81	52.96	62.17	61.34	68.37	102.01	67.30
Marche	39.05	57.86	43.18	51.02	49.29	54.36	78.72	53.14
Lazio	39.33	58.52	43.69	51.55	50.01	55.26	80.48	54.09
Abruzzo	40.97	60.98	45.54	53.72	52.13	57.61	83.93	56.39
Molise	32.74	47.67	35.52	42.18	40.09	43.94	62.20	42.72
Campania	31.64	45.99	34.26	40.71	38.63	42.31	59.75	41.11
Puglia	29.21	42.21	31.43	37.42	35.30	38.60	54.07	37.42
Basilicata	30.64	44.37	33.05	39.31	37.17	40.67	57.16	39.46
Calabria	34.42	50.34	37.53	44.51	42.48	46.63	66.39	45.39
Sicilia	28.70	41.38	30.81	36.69	34.56	37.76	52.77	36.59
Sardegna	30.11	43.56	32.44	38.60	36.47	39.89	55.99	38.69

**Table 6.19 SOC stock changes in annual and perennial crops**

	area		SOC stock change		total
	annual crops	perennial crops	annual crops	perennial crops	
	<i>kha</i>	<i>kha</i>	<i>kt C</i>	<i>kt C</i>	
<b>1990</b>	8,006	2,698	325.4	2.4	327.8
<b>1991</b>	8,003	2,701	486.5	3.1	489.6
<b>1992</b>	8,000	2,704	652.3	5.6	657.9
<b>1993</b>	7,998	2,707	842.1	16.3	858.4
<b>1994</b>	7,995	2,710	712.7	28.5	741.2
<b>1995</b>	7,992	2,712	574.8	37.8	612.5
<b>1996</b>	7,953	2,691	536.6	61.8	598.4
<b>1997</b>	7,914	2,670	592.7	118.7	711.3
<b>1998</b>	7,875	2,648	691.1	145.5	836.6
<b>1999</b>	7,836	2,627	777.3	169.1	946.4
<b>2000</b>	7,797	2,606	933.6	186.5	1,120.1
<b>2001</b>	7,681	2,600	922.0	247.4	1,169.4
<b>2002</b>	7,565	2,594	868.5	204.3	1,072.8
<b>2003</b>	7,449	2,589	811.1	185.5	996.5
<b>2004</b>	7,333	2,583	749.5	173.9	923.4
<b>2005</b>	7,217	2,577	850.4	204.7	1,055.1
<b>2006</b>	7,108	2,578	867.0	225.8	1,092.7
<b>2007</b>	6,998	2,579	901.7	224.3	1,126.0
<b>2008</b>	6,888	2,579	755.2	232.8	988.0
<b>2009</b>	6,694	2,577	778.6	297.9	1,076.6
<b>2010</b>	6,500	2,574	451.4	309.3	760.7
<b>2011</b>	6,488	2,540	345.9	262.6	608.5

	area		SOC stock change		total
	annual crops	perennial crops	annual crops	perennial crops	
	<i>kha</i>	<i>kha</i>	<i>kt C</i>	<i>kt C</i>	
<b>2012</b>	6,476	2,507	165.5	286.7	452.2
<b>2013</b>	6,465	2,473	-46.2	313.7	267.5
<b>2014</b>	6,453	2,439	137.9	281.4	419.3
<b>2015</b>	6,441	2,405	336.9	306.1	643.0
<b>2016</b>	6,444	2,401	474.6	345.3	820.0
<b>2017</b>	6,448	2,398	504.1	323.1	827.1
<b>2018</b>	6,451	2,394	497.0	310.0	807.0
<b>2019</b>	6,454	2,391	457.4	301.1	758.4

CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from cultivated organic soils in cropland remaining cropland have been estimated, using default emission factor for warm temperate climate zone from Table 5.6 of the 2006 IPCC Guidelines (vol.4, chapter 5): 10 t C ha<sup>-1</sup> y<sup>-1</sup>. The area of organic soils is taken from the FAOSTAT<sup>40</sup> database that overlaps:

- the map of Histosols classes in the *Harmonized World Soil Database*<sup>41</sup> and
- the three “cropland” classes in the global land cover dataset, GLC2000<sup>42</sup>.

#### *Land converted to Cropland*

In accordance with the IPCC methodology, estimates of carbon stock change in living biomass and in SOM in mineral soils have been provided.

Italy applies a 20-year conversion period and an approach 2 land representation, so that in any inventory year the area reported under this category is the cumulated area of all conversions occurred in that year plus the area converted in the 19 previous years.

Direct and indirect N<sub>2</sub>O emissions arising from nitrogen mineralization associated with loss of soil organic matter have also been estimated, and these are reported in CRF tables 4(III) and in tables (IV), respectively.

The biomass carbon stock change, for land converted to cropland, is estimated at Tier 1 (equation 2.16, vol. 4, chapter 2 of the 2006 IPCC Guidelines) and it is equal to the removal of biomass from the initial land use plus the carbon stocks of one year of growth in perennial crops or the average biomass stock in annual crops following the conversion. Since only conversion from grassland to cropland has occurred, the biomass removal is that of grassland (natural grassland), and the value applied, as dry matter, is the default reported in Table 6.4 of the 2006 IPCC Guidelines (vol. 4, chapter 6) for warm temperate – dry climate, i.e. 6.1 t d.m. ha<sup>-1</sup>. In accordance with national expert judgement, it has been assumed that the final crop type in all land converted to cropland is annual crop; consequently, for annual crop, the carbon stock gain of one year of growth has been taken from Table 5.9 of the 2006 IPCC Guidelines (vol. 4, chapter 5), for temperate region i.e. 5.0 t C ha<sup>-1</sup>. Conversion to cropland is a quite rare event in the time series of land matrices (table 6.4 and CRF tables 4.1). Changes in carbon stocks in mineral soils in land converted to cropland have been estimated applying IPCC equation 2.25 (vol. 4, chapter 2). SOC values for cropland are reported in the table 6.18, according to the different management practices considered and disaggregated by region.

C emissions [kt C] due to change in carbon stocks in living biomass and soils in land converted to cropland are reported in Table 6.20.

**Table 6.20 Change in carbon stock in living biomass and soil in land converted to cropland**

<sup>40</sup> FAOSTAT database: <http://faostat3.fao.org/faostat-gateway/go/to/download/G1/GV/E>

<sup>41</sup> FAO/IIASA/ISRIC/ISSCAS/JRC, 2012. Harmonized World Soil Database (version 1.2). FAO, Rome, Italy and IIASA, Laxenburg, Austria.

<sup>42</sup> EC-JRC. 2003. Global Land Cover 2000 database. Available at <http://bioval.jrc.ec.europa.eu/products/glc2000/glc2000.php>

year	Conversion Area		Carbon stock	
	annual change kha	20 years change kha	Living biomass kt C	Soils kt C
1990	0	136.1	0	-414.2
1991	16.8	152.9	-12.9	-432.2
1992	16.8	169.7	-12.9	-448.2
1993	16.8	186.5	-12.9	-467.8
1994	16.8	203.2	-12.9	-484.0
1995	16.8	220.0	-12.9	-500.1
1996	0	192.8	0	-448.2
1997	0	165.5	0	-397.1
1998	0	138.3	0	-346.9
1999	0	111.1	0	-296.4
2000	0	83.8	0	-239.8
2001	0	83.8	0	-239.8
2002	0	83.8	0	-239.7
2003	0	83.8	0	-208.5
2004	0	83.8	0	-208.5
2005	0	83.8	0	-206.5
2006	0	83.8	0	-192.8
2007	0	83.8	0	-171.5
2008	0	83.8	0	-151.5
2009	0	83.8	0	-133.2
2010	0	83.8	0	-133.2
2011	0	67.1	0	-105.7
2012	0	50.3	0	-80.3
2013	0	33.5	0	-51.2
2014	0	16.8	0	-25.5
2015	0	0	0	0
2016	38.9	38.9	-29.8	-68.1
2017	38.9	77.8	-29.8	-138.6
2018	38.9	116.7	-29.8	-204.9
2019	38.9	0	-29.8	-272.0

### 6.3.5 Uncertainty and time series consistency

Uncertainty estimates for the period 1990–2019 have been assessed following Approach 1 of 2006 IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006). Input uncertainties dealing with activity data and emission factors have been assessed on the basis of the information provided in the 2006 IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006). For 2019, the uncertainty related to the living biomass and soils pools have been estimated equal to 18.5% and 7.9%, respectively. The uncertainty related to the cropland category is equal to 22.9%, for 2019.

A Monte Carlo analysis has been carried out to assess uncertainty for cropland category (considering both cropland remaining cropland and land converted to cropland). For cropland remaining cropland, an asymmetrical probability density distribution resulted from the analysis, showing uncertainties values equal to -108.5% and 210.2%, taking into account all the carbon pools estimated. As for land converted to cropland, an asymmetrical probability density distribution resulted from the analysis, showing uncertainties values equal to -408.2% and 178.5%. Normal distributions have been assumed for most of the parameters. A more detailed description of the results is reported in Annex 1.

### 6.3.6 Category-specific QA/QC and verification

Category-specific quality control activities includes comparison with alternative data sources (FAO database<sup>43</sup>, ISTAT data<sup>44</sup>). Land use matrices have been accurately checked and cross-checked to ensure that data were

<sup>43</sup> FAO, 2005. FAOSTAT, <http://faostat3.fao.org/home/E>

<sup>44</sup> ISTAT, several years [a], [b], [c]

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properly reported. Several QA activities are carried out in the different phases of the inventory process. All the LULUCF categories have been embedded in the overall QA/QC-system of the Italian GHG inventory.

### **6.3.7 Category-specific recalculations**

Recalculations occur in the 2021 submission, comparing to the 2020 submission, for soil carbon stock changes (-6.3%, -4.9% and -4.7% for 2016, 2017 and 2018, respectively). The recalculation is due to the updated activity data (i.e., areas subject to different management practices) and consequent recalculation of related soils C stock changes. Activity data related to organic soils has been updated, resulting in a slight deviation from 2020 submission (-0.2% for 2018 reporting year).

### **6.3.8 Category-specific planned improvements**

No improvements are planned for the next annual submission.

## **6.4 Grassland (4C)**

### **6.4.1 Description**

Under this category, CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from living biomass, and soil organic matter, in grassland remaining grassland and land converted to grassland have been reported.

Grassland category is responsible for 8.264 kt of CO<sub>2</sub> net removals in 2019 sharing 15.5% of total CO<sub>2</sub> eq. LULUCF net removals; in particular, the living biomass emissions represent 18.2% of the grassland CO<sub>2</sub> fluxes and the removals from soil organic matter 81.7%, while the remaining 0.1% is represented by the dead organic matter pool.

CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and removals from grassland remaining grassland and land converted to grassland are key categories in level and trend assessment both with Approach 1 and Approach 2.

### **6.4.2 Information on approaches used for representing land areas and on land-use databases used for the inventory preparation**

Information on the land representation is reported in section 6.1. For the grassland category, as already discussed, it is assumed that the only conversion occurring is from cropland to grassland. The IPCC default land use transition period of 20 years is applied.

### **6.4.3 Land-use definitions and the classification systems used and their correspondence to the LULUCF categories**

Grassland includes all grazing land, natural grassland and other wooded land that do not fulfil the forest definition (as shrublands).

Due to the technical characteristics of the IUTI assessment (i.e. classification of orthophotos), it was not possible clearly distinguish among some subcategories in *cropland* and non-woody *grassland* categories (e.g. annual pastures versus grazing land). Therefore, although the total aggregated area of the 2 categories *cropland* and *grassland* together is derived from the IUTI data, the area of each of their subcategories is disaggregated using as proxies the national statistics (ISTAT, [b], [c]) on grazing lands, forage crops, permanent pastures, natural grassland and lands once used for agriculture purposes, but in fact set-aside since 1970. However, the area of the subcategory other wooded land, i.e., shrublands, has been derived from the NFIs (CRA-MPF, NFI1985, NFI2005 and the ongoing NFI2015), on the basis of IUTI data (par. 6.1), through linear interpolations for the periods 1985-2005, 2005-2012 and linear extrapolation for the period 2012-2019.

### **6.4.4 Methodological issues**

#### *Grassland remaining Grassland*

#### *Grazing land*

This land mostly includes annual biomass so that according to IPCC Tier 1 methodological approach gain and losses in the biomass and DOM and pools are assumed at long term equilibrium, so no net C stock changes are estimated.

For mineral soils, the estimation method is based on changes in soil organic carbon (SOC) stocks over a finite period following changes in management that impact soil organic C. According to the 2006 IPCC Guidelines

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(IPCC, 2006), the change in mineral soil C stocks (vol. 4, chapter 2, eq. 2.25) is the result of a change in management practices in a unit of land across time. The SOC stock changes have been estimated taking into account natural (unmanaged) grazing land and managed grazing land subcategories. The latter are reported in the table 6.21.

**Table 6.21 Grazing land management practices and data sources**

Management practices	Definition	CAP regulations	Data source
Managed grazing land (ordinary)	Renewal and/or thickening of crops; connection to zootechnics	National decree on cross compliance implementation n. 30125/2009 and subsequent revisions	ISTAT
organic grazing land	Renewal and/or thickening of crops; connection to zootechnics	RDPs 2000-2006: Reg. (EC) n. 1257/1999; RDPs 2007 - 2013: Reg. (EC) n. 1998/2005 and Reg. (EC) n. 74/2009; Reg. (EC) n. 834/2007 and Reg. (EC) n. 889/2008; Reg. (EC) n. 1804/2007	National Information system on organic agriculture (SINAB)

The annual areas subject to the abovementioned management practices, at regional level, have been estimated, considering the transition to and from different management practices (i.e., grazing land to organic grazing land and vice versa). Changes in carbon stocks in mineral soils has been calculated by applying the equation 2.25 of the IPCC, 2006 (vol. 4, chapter 2). The IPCC default transition period, i.e., 20 years, has been considered.

The SOC<sub>ref</sub> classification of the soils is based on the default reference SOC stocks for mineral soils (tC/ha in 0-30 cm) provided in table 2.3 of IPCC 2006. The identification of country specific SOC<sub>ref</sub> have been performed using a combination of the following map layers:

- IPCC climate zones (JRC) - <http://eusoiils.jrc.ec.europa.eu/projects/RenewableEnergy/>
- Corine Land cover 2006 (Grassland: legend codes: 2.3 ad 3.2) - <http://sia.eionet.europa.eu/CLC2006>
- Soil map of Italy- (reclassified according to the main groups of soil types as in table 2.3) -Costantini E.A.C., L'Abate G., Barbetti R., Fantappiè M., Lorenzetti R., Magini S. (2013) Carta dei suoli d'Italia, scala 1:1.000.000 - <http://www.soilmaps.it/>
- Map of Italy with administrative boundaries.

Overlapping the abovementioned layers, the Italian soils have been classified according to the IPCC soil classes (table 2.3, vol. 4, chapter 2 of the 2006 IPCC Guidelines), and their related climate zones as percentage in each region. According to the thereby defined distribution of the soil types and climate zones in each Italian region, it was possible to define the SOC<sub>ref</sub>. The stock change factors (F<sub>LU</sub>, F<sub>MG</sub>, F<sub>I</sub>) adapted to the national circumstances, have been derived by the default values provided in table 6.2 of the 2006 IPCC Guidelines (vol.4, chapter 6). The F factors considered are reported in the following table 6.22.

**Table 6.22 Stock change factors for grazing land subcategories**

Grazing land subcategory	F <sub>LU</sub>		F <sub>MG</sub>		F <sub>I</sub>	
	Moist	Dry	Moist	Dry	Moist	Dry
Ordinary management	1	1	1	1	1.11	1.11
Organic management	1	1	1.14	1.14	1.11	1.11
Natural (unmanaged)*	1	1	0.95	0.95	1.11	1.11

\* The same factors of natural (unmanaged) grazing land subcategory are also used to estimate other wooded land SOC stock (see next section)

The SOC stocks per hectare, calculated on the basis of the previously described procedure, are shown in the table 6.23, per region and per management practices. Estimates of SOC stock changes in grazing land are reported in the table 6.24.

**Table 6.23 SOC stocks on hectares basis per region and management practice**

Region	grazing land		
	Ordinary management SOC stock (t C ha <sup>-1</sup> )	Organic management SOC stock (t C ha <sup>-1</sup> )	Natural (unmanaged)* SOC stock (t C ha <sup>-1</sup> )
Piemonte	91.78	104.62	78.55
Valle D'Aosta	77.1	87.9	65.99
Liguria	92.7	105.68	79.34
Lombardia	79.93	91.13	68.41
Trentino Alto-Adige	78.51	89.5	67.19
Veneto	101.54	115.76	86.91
Friuli - Venezia Giulia	99.93	113.92	85.52
Emilia - Romagna	91.11	103.87	77.98
Toscana	62.24	70.95	53.27

Region	grazing land		
	Ordinary management <i>SOC stock (t C ha<sup>-1</sup>)</i>	Organic management <i>SOC stock (t C ha<sup>-1</sup>)</i>	Natural (unmanaged)* <i>SOC stock (t C ha<sup>-1</sup>)</i>
Umbria	91.28	104.06	78.12
Marche	91	103.74	77.88
Lazio	88.98	101.43	76.15
Abruzzo	99.01	112.87	84.74
Molise	75.28	85.82	64.43
Campania	64.66	73.72	55.34
Puglia	42.03	47.91	35.97
Basilicata	60.13	68.55	51.46
Calabria	65.84	75.05	56.35
Sicilia	46.5	53.01	39.80
Sardegna	56.91	64.88	48.71

\* The same SOC stocks on hectares basis of natural (unmanaged) grazing land subcategory are estimated for other wooded land (see next section)

**Table 6.24 SOC stock changes in grazing land**

	area <i>kha</i>	net change in C stock <i>kt C</i>
1990	7,033	-31.6
1991	6,905	36.2
1992	6,777	116.7
1993	6,649	177.1
1994	6,521	236.2
1995	6,394	278.4
1996	6,303	296.5
1997	6,213	344.7
1998	6,123	351.8
1999	6,032	336.1
2000	5,942	345.7
2001	5,910	389.5
2002	5,878	398.8
2003	5,846	396.2
2004	5,814	415.6
2005	5,780	428.6
2006	5,711	424.0
2007	5,642	406.7
2008	5,573	357.1
2009	5,505	428.3
2010	5,436	493.8
2011	5,367	394.4
2012	5,299	272.9
2013	5,230	209.8
2014	5,161	322.8
2015	5,092	230.5
2016	5,030	254.5
2017	4,968	147.9
2018	4,906	156.5
2019	4,844	174.5

CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from drainage of organic soils in grassland remaining grassland have been estimated, using default emission factor for warm temperate climate zone from Table 6.3 of the 2006 IPCC Guidelines (vol.4, chapter 6): 2.5 t C ha<sup>-1</sup> y<sup>-1</sup>. The area of organic soils is taken from the FAOSTAT<sup>45</sup> database that overlaps:

<sup>45</sup> FAOSTAT database: <http://faostat3.fao.org/faostat-gateway/go/to/download/G1/GV/E>

- the map of Histosols classes in the *Harmonized World Soil Database*<sup>46</sup>, and
- the grassland area in the global land cover dataset, GLC2000<sup>47</sup>.

#### *Other wooded land*

Other wooded land includes all woody vegetation types that do not fit the forest definition. as, for example the “macchia mediterranea” (Italian translation for “Mediterranean maquis”). Other wooded lands are considered in the NFIs although they do not meet the forest minimum height threshold; this subcategory is here defined as “shrublands”. In this land, the total biomass changes (aboveground and belowground) are estimated by the *For-est* model at regional scale (NUTS2). A detailed description of the model is reported in Annex 14.

In table 6.25, the biomass expansion factor to expand growing stock volume to aboveground tree volume, the conversion factor (wood basic density) to convert volume in dry matter, the root-to-shoot ratio to estimate the belowground biomass and the carbon fraction to convert dry matter are reported.

**Table 6.25 Expansion and Conversion Factors for shrublands**

<b>Inventory typology</b>	<b>BEF</b> <i>aboveground biomass / growing stock</i>	<b>WBD</b> <i>dry weight t d.m./ fresh volume m<sup>3</sup></i>	<b>R</b> <i>root to shoot ratio</i>	<b>CF</b> <i>carbon stock t C/ biomass t d.m.</i>
<i>shrublands</i>	1.49	0.63	0.62	0.63

The DOM pools have been estimated using coefficient values and assuming a constant, linear, accumulation rate of both dead wood and litter across the conversion time till the coefficient value is achieved when the land transfers to the category grassland remaining grassland. In practice, in each conversion year 1/20 of the dead wood mass coefficient and of the litter mass coefficient  $t$  are reported as net CO<sub>2</sub> removals.

Both, the dead wood and the litter mass coefficient, see table 6.26, have been estimated from data taken for the Italian national forest inventory, in 2008 and 2009 across the country from the plots of the national forest inventory network (<http://www.sian.it/inventarioforestale/jsp/necromassa.jsp>). The mass (wet matter) collected on the ground in those plots has been converted in dry matter using basic densities appositely calculated in a specific study (Di Cosmo et al., 2013). The data collected, aggregated at regional level, are accessible at the NFI website: [http://www.sian.it/inventarioforestale/jsp/dati\\_carquant\\_tab.jsp](http://www.sian.it/inventarioforestale/jsp/dati_carquant_tab.jsp).

The definition of the deadwood pool, coherent with the definition adopted by the NFI, is “*All non-living woody biomass not contained in the litter, either standing, lying on the ground, or in the soil. Dead wood includes wood lying on the surface, stumps larger than or equal to 10 cm in diameter and standing trees with DBH > 4,5 cm*”. In Table 6.26 dead wood and litter coefficients are reported.

**Table 6.26 Dead wood and litter coefficients [live/dead ratio]**

<b>Inventory typology</b>	<b>dead wood</b> <i>t C ha<sup>-1</sup></i>	<b>litter</b> <i>t C ha<sup>-1</sup></i>
<i>Shrublands</i>	1.510	1.990

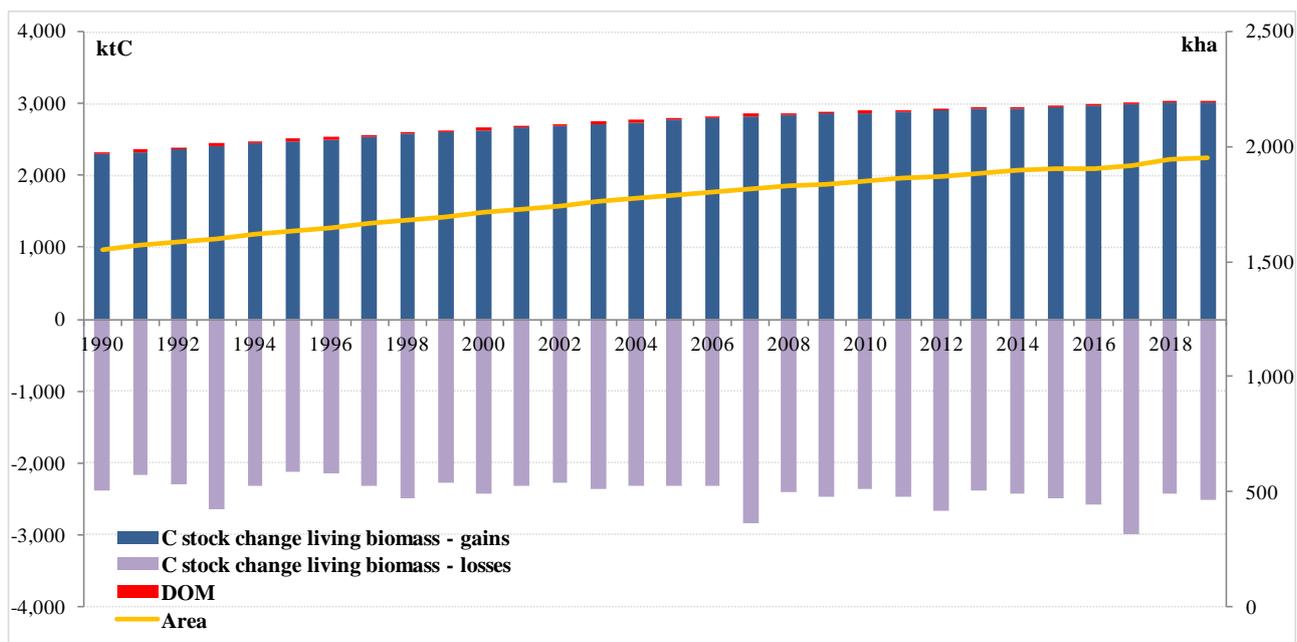
As for soils pool, following the ERT recommendation, Italy has decided to apply the IPCC Tier1, assuming that, the carbon stock in soil organic matter, for other wooded land, does not change. Land conversions from natural (unmanaged) grazing land to other wooded land are possible because of land abandonment and woody encroachment. However, for these two subcategories of grassland, the same SOC stocks are estimated on the basis of the factors of table 6.2 of the 2006 IPCC Guidelines (vol.4, chapter 6) as shown in table 6.22 and 6.23. Therefore, carbon stock changes in soils pool, for other wooded land in grassland remaining grassland, have been not reported.

Therefore, carbon stock changes in soils pool, for other wooded land in grassland remaining grassland, have been not reported.

In figure 6.9, other wooded land areas and net changes in carbon stock, for the different pools, are reported, for the period 1990-2019.

<sup>46</sup> FAO/IIASA/ISRIC/ISSCAS/JRC, 2012. Harmonized World Soil Database (version 1.2). FAO, Rome, Italy and IIASA, Laxenburg, Austria.

<sup>47</sup> EC-JRC. 2003. Global Land Cover 2000 database. Available at <http://bioval.jrc.ec.europa.eu/products/glc2000/glc2000.php>



**Figure 6.9 Other wooded land areas and net changes in carbon stock, for the different pools**

#### *Land converted to Grassland*

In accordance with the IPCC methodology, estimates of carbon stock change in living biomass and in SOM in mineral soils have been provided.

Italy applies a 20-year conversion period and an approach 2 for land representation, so that in any inventory year the area reported under this category is the cumulated area of all conversions occurred in that year plus the area converted in the 19 previous years. As a result of conversion to grassland, it is assumed that the dominant vegetation is removed entirely, after which some type of grass is planted or otherwise established; alternatively, grassland can result from the abandonment of the preceding land use, and the area is taken over by grassland. The Tier 1 has been followed, assuming that carbon stocks in biomass immediately after the conversion are equal to 0 t C ha<sup>-1</sup>. The 2006 IPCC Guidelines equation 2.16 (vol. 4, chapter 2) has been used to estimate the change in carbon stocks, resulting from the land use change. Conversion from cropland to grassland has occurred, including annual crops converted to grazing land and woody crops converted to other wooded land. For the annual crops converted to natural (unmanaged) grazing land and for woody crops converted to other wooded land, it has been assumed that an abrupt transition has not occurred (i.e., change is not deliberate and therefore is not associated with land preparation operations like clearing and burning). For annual crops converted to managed grazing land, the default biomass carbon stock has been used, i.e. 4.7 t C ha<sup>-1</sup>, as supplied by the 2006 IPCC Guidelines (vol. 4, chapter 6, par. 6.3.1.2). For other land uses converted to grassland, the used default biomass carbon stock is equal to 6.1 t d.m. ha<sup>-1</sup>, as supplied by Table 6.4 of the 2006 IPCC Guidelines (vol. 4, chapter 6) for warm temperate – dry. The total C emissions [kt C] due to change in carbon stocks in living biomass in land converted to grassland are reported in Table 6.27.

**Table 6.27 Change in carbon stock in living biomass in land converted to grassland**

year	Conversion Area		$\Delta C$ kt C
	annual change kha	20 years change kha	
1990	0	325.0	0
1991	0	318.5	0
1992	0	312.0	0
1993	0	305.5	0
1994	0	299.0	0
1995	0	292.5	0
1996	60.3	352.8	134.8
1997	60.3	413.1	154.5
1998	60.3	473.5	166.6
1999	60.3	533.8	116.7

<i>year</i>	<b>Conversion Area</b>		<b>ΔC</b>
	<i>annual change</i> <i>kha</i>	<i>20 years change</i> <i>kha</i>	<i>kt C</i>
2000	60.3	594.1	135.8
2001	94.5	630.1	224.2
2002	94.5	666.1	160.5
2003	94.5	702.1	177.4
2004	94.5	738.0	216.5
2005	97.5	777.0	188.0
2006	84.9	861.9	92.0
2007	84.9	946.8	119.0
2008	84.9	1,031.7	203.7
2009	177.9	1,209.6	328.6
2010	177.9	1,387.4	263.2
2011	44.1	1,431.5	120.7
2012	44.1	1,475.7	123.0
2013	44.1	1,519.8	115.6
2014	44.1	1,563.9	61.7
2015	44.1	1,608.0	124.6
2016	0	1,547.7	0
2017	0	1,487.3	0
2018	0	1,427.0	0
2019	0	1,366.7	0

Changes in SOC stocks in mineral soils in land converted to grassland have been estimated applying IPCC equation 2.25 (vol. 4, chapter 2). SOC stocks for the different subcategories of grassland are reported in the table 6.23, according to the different management practices considered and broken down by region. C emissions [kt C] due to change in carbon stocks in soils in land converted to grassland, are summarised in table 6.28.

**Table 6.28 Change in carbon stock in soils**

<i>year</i>	<b>Conversion Area</b>		<b>Carbon stock</b>
	<i>annual change</i> <i>kha</i>	<i>20 year change</i> <i>kha</i>	<i>kt C</i>
1990	0	325.0	478.3
1991	0	318.5	452.1
1992	0	312.0	426.0
1993	0	305.5	399.9
1994	0	299.0	373.8
1995	0	292.5	347.6
1996	60.3	352.8	415.8
1997	60.3	413.1	477.1
1998	60.3	473.5	542.6
1999	60.3	533.8	610.7
2000	60.3	594.1	675.2
2001	94.5	630.1	743.3
2002	94.5	666.1	818.6
2003	94.5	702.1	859.6
2004	94.5	738.0	926.9
2005	97.5	777.0	1,005.1
2006	84.9	861.9	1,110.0
2007	84.9	946.8	1,206.8
2008	84.9	1,031.7	1,301.5
2009	177.9	1,209.6	1,521.7
2010	177.9	1,387.4	1,765.0
2011	44.1	1,431.5	1,799.2
2012	44.1	1,475.7	1,825.3

year	Conversion Area		Carbon stock
	annual change kha	20 years change kha	kt C
2013	44.1	1,519.8	1,860.7
2014	44.1	1,563.9	1,907.1
2015	44.1	1,608.0	1,941.3
2016	0	1,547.7	1,872.1
2017	0	1,487.3	1,809.4
2018	0	1,427.0	1,743.2
2019	0	1,366.7	1,674.5

#### 6.4.5 Uncertainty and time series consistency

For the period 1990–2019, the uncertainty estimates have been assessed following Approach 1 of 2006 IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006). Input uncertainties dealing with activity data and emission factors have been assessed based on the information provided in the 2006 IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006). In 2019, the uncertainty related to the living biomass and soils pools have been estimated equal to 42.6% and 70.0%, respectively. The uncertainty related to the grassland category is equal to 55.6%, for 2019.

A Monte Carlo analysis has been carried out to assess uncertainty for grassland category (considering both Grassland remaining grassland and land converted to grassland). For grassland remaining grassland, an asymmetrical probability density distribution resulted from the analysis, showing uncertainties values equal to -67.7% and 75.0%. An asymmetrical probability density distribution resulted from the analysis for the subcategory land converted to grassland too. Its values are equal to -119.3% and 194.5%. Normal distributions have been assumed for most of the parameters; whenever assumptions or constraints on variables were known this information has been appropriately reflected on the choice of type and shape of distributions. A more detailed description of the results is reported in Annex 1.

#### 6.4.6 Category-specific QA/QC and verification

Systematic quality control activities have been carried out in order to ensure completeness and consistency in time series and correctness in the sum of sub-categories. Where possible, activity data comparison among different sources (FAO database<sup>48</sup>, ISTAT data<sup>49</sup>) has been made. Data entries have been checked several times during the compilation of the inventory; attention has been focussed on the categories showing significant changes between two years in succession. Land use matrices have been accurately checked and cross-checked to ensure that data were properly reported. Several QA activities are carried out in the different phases of the inventory process. The applied methodologies have been presented and discussed during several national workshop and expert meetings, collecting findings and comments to be incorporated in the estimation process. All the LULUCF categories have been embedded in the overall QA/QC-system of the Italian GHG inventory.

#### 6.4.7 Category-specific recalculations

Recalculations occur in the 2021 submission, comparing to the 2020 submission, due to the updated activity data (i.e. areas subject to different management practices) and consequent recalculation of related soils C stock changes, as shown in the table 6.29. Activity data related to organic soils has been updated, resulting in a slight deviation from 2020 submission (-0.1% for 2018 reporting year). No deviations occur for the other wooded land subcategory and in living biomass pools, both for grassland remaining grassland and land converted to grassland.

**Table 6.29 Recalculation in grassland category**

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018
<b>2021 submission</b>	<i>CO<sub>2</sub> eq. - kt</i>								
Grassland	<b>3,946</b>	<b>-2,583</b>	<b>-1,114</b>	<b>-5,737</b>	<b>-8,561</b>	<b>-9,790</b>	<b>-8,905</b>	<b>-3,948</b>	<b>-8,338</b>
- living biomass	5,376	17	2,163	-381	-161	-966	-587	2,701	-1,932
- DOM	344	-1,307	-782	-1,652	-1,910	-1,687	-1,435	5	5
- soils	-1,773	-1,294	-2,495	-3,704	-6,491	-7,137	-6,883	-6,653	-6,411

<sup>48</sup> FAO, 2005. FAOSTAT, <http://faostat3.fao.org/home/E>

<sup>49</sup> ISTAT, several years [a], [b], [c]

2020 submission	<i>CO<sub>2</sub> eq. - kt</i>								
Grassland	<b>3,981</b>	<b>-2,548</b>	<b>-1,079</b>	<b>-5,699</b>	<b>-8,524</b>	<b>-9,752</b>	<b>-8,868</b>	<b>-4,630</b>	<b>-7,831</b>
- living biomass	5,375	17	2,162	-381	-161	-964	-586	1,982	-1,462
- DOM	344	-1,307	-782	-1,652	-1,910	-1,687	-1,435	5	5
- soils	-1,738	-1,258	-2,459	-3,666	-6,454	-7,101	-6,847	-6,617	-6,374
recalculation	<i>%</i>								
<b>Grassland</b>	<b>-0.87</b>	<b>1.36</b>	<b>3.13</b>	<b>0.66</b>	<b>0.43</b>	<b>0.39</b>	<b>0.42</b>	<b>-17.29</b>	<b>6.08</b>
- living biomass	0.01	0.90	0.02	-0.04	0.06	0.15	0.14	26.61	24.34
- DOM	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
- soils	1.98	2.72	1.42	1.02	0.57	0.52	0.53	0.55	0.57

#### 6.4.8 Category-specific planned improvements

No improvements are planned for the next annual submission.

## 6.5 Wetlands (4D)

### 6.5.1 Description

Under this category, activity data from wetlands remaining wetlands are reported. Neither wetlands remaining wetlands nor land converted to wetlands are as a key category.

### 6.5.2 Information on approaches used for representing land areas and on land-use databases used for the inventory preparation

Wetlands area have been estimated within the national land representation applying the methodology described in section 6.1. During the period 1990-2019 conversions of annual cropland and natural grassland to wetlands have occurred.

### 6.5.3 Land-use definitions and the classification systems used and their correspondence to the LULUCF categories

Wetlands includes lands covered or saturated by water, for all or part of the year (MAMB, 1992). Reservoirs or water bodies regulated by human activities have not been considered.

### 6.5.4 Methodological issues

Italy applies a 20-year conversion period and an approach 2 for land representation, so that in any inventory year the area reported under this category is the cumulated area of all conversions occurred in that year plus the area converted in the 19 previous years.

Only CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from flooded lands have been estimated. In wetlands remaining wetlands no activities are implemented. According to the equation 7.10 of the 2006 IPCC guidelines (vol. 4, chapter 7) the biomass stock after flooding is assumed to be zero, while for the biomass immediately before flooding default values reported in the 2006 IPCC guidelines have been used. In particular, for grassland ( $B_{\text{before}}$ ) the value reported in table 6.4 (vol. 4, chapter 6) for warm temperate dry climate, 6.1 t d.m. ha<sup>-1</sup>, has been used; while for cropland ( $B_{\text{before}}$ ) the value equal to 10 t C ha<sup>-1</sup> has been used (vol. 4, chapter 6) for cropland containing annual crops. The carbon fraction of 4.7 t of carbon ha<sup>-1</sup> has been used.

C stocks [kt C] in living biomass are reported in table 6.30 and 6.31, for cropland converted to wetlands and grassland converted to wetlands, respectively.

**Table 6.30 Change in carbon stocks in living biomass in cropland converted to wetlands**

	annual change	20 years change	B after	B before	$\Delta C$ converted
	<i>kha</i>	<i>kha</i>	<i>t d.m. ha<sup>-1</sup></i>	<i>t d.m. ha<sup>-1</sup></i>	<i>kt C</i>
<b>1990</b>	0	0	0	10.0	0
<b>1991</b>	0	0	0	10.0	0
<b>1992</b>	0	0	0	10.0	0

	annual change	20 years change	B after	B before	$\Delta C$ converted
	<i>kha</i>	<i>kha</i>	<i>t d.m. ha<sup>-1</sup></i>	<i>t d.m. ha<sup>-1</sup></i>	<i>kt C</i>
1993	0	0	0	10.0	0
1994	0	0	0	10.0	0
1995	0	0	0	10.0	0
1996	0.47	0.47	0	10.0	-2.2
1997	0.47	0.95	0	10.0	-2.2
1998	0.47	1.42	0	10.0	-2.2
1999	0.47	1.89	0	10.0	-2.2
2000	0.47	2.37	0	10.0	-2.2
2001	0.47	2.84	0	10.0	-2.2
2002	0.47	3.32	0	10.0	-2.2
2003	0.47	3.79	0	10.0	-2.2
2004	0.47	4.26	0	10.0	-2.2
2005	0.47	4.74	0	10.0	-2.2
2006	0.47	5.21	0	10.0	-2.2
2007	0.47	5.68	0	10.0	-2.2
2008	0.47	6.16	0	10.0	-2.2
2009	7.52	13.68	0	10.0	-35.3
2010	7.52	21.19	0	10.0	-35.3
2011	7.52	28.71	0	10.0	-35.3
2012	7.52	36.23	0	10.0	-35.3
2013	7.52	43.75	0	10.0	-35.3
2014	7.52	51.27	0	10.0	-35.3
2015	7.52	58.79	0	10.0	-35.3
2016	0	58.31	0	10.0	0
2017	0	57.84	0	10.0	0
2018	0	57.37	0	10.0	0
2019	0	56.89	0	10.0	0

In table 6.31 C stocks [kt C] related to change in carbon stocks in living biomass in grassland converted to wetlands are reported.

**Table 6.31 Change in carbon stocks in living biomass in grassland converted to wetlands**

	annual change	20 years change	B after	B before	$\Delta C$ converted
	<i>kha</i>	<i>kha</i>	<i>t d.m. ha<sup>-1</sup></i>	<i>t d.m. ha<sup>-1</sup></i>	<i>kt C</i>
1990	0	0	0	6.1	0
1991	0	0	0	6.1	-1.36
1992	0	0.95	0	6.1	-1.36
1993	0	1.42	0	6.1	-1.36
1994	0	1.89	0	6.1	-1.36
1995	0	2.37	0	6.1	-1.36
1996	0	2.37	0	6.1	0
1997	0	2.37	0	6.1	0
1998	0	2.37	0	6.1	0
1999	0	2.37	0	6.1	0
2000	0	2.37	0	6.1	0
2001	0	2.37	0	6.1	0
2002	0	2.37	0	6.1	0
2003	0	2.37	0	6.1	0
2004	0	2.37	0	6.1	0
2005	0	2.37	0	6.1	0

	<b>annual change</b>	<b>20 years change</b>	<b>B after</b>	<b>B before</b>	<b><math>\Delta C</math> converted</b>
	<i>kha</i>	<i>kha</i>	<i>t d.m. ha-1</i>	<i>t d.m. ha-1</i>	<i>kt C</i>
<b>2006</b>	0	2.37	0	6.1	0
<b>2007</b>	0	2.37	0	6.1	0
<b>2008</b>	0	2.37	0	6.1	0
<b>2009</b>	0	2.37	0	6.1	0
<b>2010</b>	0	2.37	0	6.1	0
<b>2011</b>	0	1.89	0	6.1	0
<b>2012</b>	0	1.42	0	6.1	0
<b>2013</b>	0	0.95	0	6.1	0
<b>2014</b>	0	0.47	0	6.1	0
<b>2015</b>	0	0	0	6.1	0
<b>2016</b>	3.76	3.76	0	6.1	-10.8
<b>2017</b>	3.76	7.52	0	6.1	-10.8
<b>2018</b>	3.76	11.28	0	6.1	-10.8
<b>2019</b>	3.76	15.04	0	6.1	-10.8

### **6.5.5 Uncertainty and time series consistency**

Uncertainty estimates for the period 1990–2019 have been assessed following Approach 1 of 2006 IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006). Input uncertainties for activity data and emission factors have been assessed on the basis of the information provided in the 2006 IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006).

### **6.5.6 Category-specific recalculations**

An average recalculation of 13.2% occurs in the 2021 submission, comparing to the 2020 submission, for the 2016, 2017 and 2018 reporting years. The recalculation is due to an update of the activity data and the consequent smoothing process affecting the 2016–2018 period. Additional information on the smoothing process is reported in the section 6.1.

### **6.5.7 Category-specific planned improvements**

No improvements are planned for the next submission.

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## 6.6 Settlements (4E)

### 6.6.1 Description

Under this category, CO<sub>2</sub> emissions, from living biomass and soil, from land converted to settlements only have been reported. In 2019, settlements emissions share 10.5% of absolute CO<sub>2</sub> eq. LULUCF emissions and removals. CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and removals from land converted to settlements is a key category, in the level assessment, with Approach 1 and Approach 2, and in trend assessment with Approach 2.

### 6.6.2 Information on approaches used for representing land areas and on land-use databases used for the inventory preparation

Information on the land representation is reported in section 6.1.

### 6.6.3 Land-use definitions and the classification systems used and their correspondence to the LULUCF categories

All artificial surfaces, transportation infrastructures (urban and rural), power lines and human settlements of any size, including parks, have been included in this category.

### 6.6.4 Methodological issues

#### *Settlements remaining Settlements*

Following the 2006 IPCC Tier 1 approach no C stock changes have been estimated for any of the C pools.

#### *Land converted to Settlements*

The 2006 IPCC Guidelines equations 2.15 and 2.16 (Vol. 4, chapter 2) have been used to estimate changes in biomass and DOM carbon stocks. According to IPCC Tier 1, biomass and DOM stocks in the settlement category are assumed to be 0, which means that a complete loss of biomass and DOM stocks due to the land use change.

For the land converted to settlements, the 20-years transition period has been applied to determine the area in conversion. However, due to the characteristics of the final land use category (settlements), it is assumed that, for each carbon pool, all C stocks of the area subjected to an annual conversion are completely lost in the same conversion year, while the related CO<sub>2</sub> emissions are assigned to the first year the conversion has occurred.

As reported in table 6.4, in the period 1990-2019 conversions to settlements have occurred from the following categories: forest land, grassland, cropland and other land.

The annual change in carbon stocks, for land converted to settlements, is assumed equal to carbon stocks in living biomass immediately following conversion to settlements minus the carbon stocks in living biomass in land immediately before conversion to settlements, multiplied for the area of land annually converted. The default assumption, for Tier 1, is that carbon stocks in living biomass following conversion are equal to zero. Carbon stock changes in forest land converted to settlements have been estimated for living biomass, dead organic matter and mineral soils, using forest land carbon stocks estimated, at regional level, by the *For-est* model described in paragraph 6.2.4, 9.3.1.2 and in Annex 14.

Concerning forest soils, the SOC stocks reported in the table 6.32 have been considered; the time range reported in the first column of the abovementioned table provides the time references for the SOC stocks' use. A detailed description of the methodology used in the estimation process of soils pool, and consequently of the SOC stocks, is provided in par. 9.3.1.2, related to the KP-LULUCF.

**Table 6.32 Soil organic carbon (SOC) stocks for forest land**

<i>years</i>	<i>SOC stock t C ha<sup>-1</sup></i>
<b>1985-1994</b>	79.809
<b>1995-1999</b>	80.172
<b>2000-2004</b>	80.575
<b>2005-2009</b>	81.083
<b>2010-2014</b>	81.601
<b>2015-2019</b>	82.213

In Table 6.33, C stocks changes [kt C] in living biomass, dead organic matter and soils in forest land converted to settlements are reported.

**Table 6.33 Change in carbon stocks in forest land converted to settlements**

Year	conversion Area kha	Forest land to settlements			Total Carbon stock kt C
		living biomass kt C	dead organic matter kt C	soils kt C	
1990	0.72	-32.09	-3.06	-57.64	-92.79
1991	0.72	-32.38	-3.06	-57.64	-93.08
1992	0.72	-32.64	-3.06	-57.64	-93.34
1993	0.72	-32.66	-3.06	-57.64	-93.36
1994	0.72	-32.91	-3.05	-57.64	-93.61
1995	0.72	-33.24	-3.05	-57.90	-94.19
1996	0.72	-33.55	-3.05	-57.90	-94.51
1997	0.72	-33.70	-3.05	-57.90	-94.65
1998	0.72	-33.81	-3.05	-57.90	-94.76
1999	0.72	-34.02	-3.05	-57.90	-94.97
2000	0.72	-34.21	-3.04	-58.19	-95.45
2001	0.72	-34.51	-3.04	-58.19	-95.75
2002	0.72	-34.89	-3.04	-58.19	-96.12
2003	0.72	-35.13	-3.04	-58.19	-96.36
2004	0.72	-35.46	-3.04	-58.19	-96.69
2005	3.69	-183.12	-15.53	-299.56	-498.22
2006	3.69	-185.27	-15.52	-299.56	-500.36
2007	3.69	-185.77	-15.50	-299.56	-500.84
2008	3.69	-187.54	-15.49	-299.56	-502.59
2009	3.69	-189.52	-15.48	-299.56	-504.56
2010	3.69	-191.80	-15.46	-301.48	-508.74
2011	3.69	-193.66	-15.45	-301.48	-510.59
2012	3.69	-195.06	-15.44	-301.48	-511.98
2013	3.69	-197.36	-15.42	-301.48	-514.27
2014	3.69	-199.73	-15.41	-301.48	-516.63
2015	3.69	-202.19	-15.40	-303.74	-521.33
2016	3.69	-204.32	-15.39	-303.74	-523.44
2017	3.69	-204.98	-15.37	-303.74	-524.10
2018	3.69	-206.76	-15.36	-303.74	-525.86
2019	3.69	-208.88	-15.35	-303.74	-527.97

For cropland converted to settlements, carbon stocks changes have been estimated, for annual or perennial crops biomass, using default factors shown in the following table 6.34 (IPCC, 2006, table 8.4, vol. 4, chapter 8). SOC value for cropland has been set to 56.7 tC/ha on the basis of reviewed references (par. 6.3.4).

**Table 6.34 Stock change factors for cropland**

	Biomass carbon stock t C ha <sup>-1</sup>
Annual cropland	4.7
Perennial woody cropland	10

For grassland converted to settlements, changes in carbon stocks have been estimated for living biomass and for the soil pool. In table 6.35 C stocks changes [kt C] in living biomass in cropland and grassland converted to settlements are reported.

**Table 6.35 Change in carbon stocks in living biomass in cropland and grassland converted to settlements**

Year	cropland to settlements		grassland to settlements	
	conversion area kha	carbon stock kt C	conversion area kha	carbon stock kt C
1990	25.2	-151.8	1.7	-5.0
1991	0	0	26.7	-76.6

Year	cropland to settlements		grassland to settlements	
	conversion area kha	carbon stock kt C	conversion area kha	carbon stock kt C
1992	0	0	26.7	-76.6
1993	0	0	26.7	-76.6
1994	0	0	26.7	-76.6
1995	0	0	26.7	-76.6
1996	26.7	-161.3	0	0
1997	26.7	-161.2	0	0
1998	26.7	-161.1	0	0
1999	26.7	-161.0	0	0
2000	26.7	-161.0	0	0
2001	26.7	-161.3	0	0
2002	26.7	-161.6	0	0
2003	26.7	-162.0	0	0
2004	26.7	-162.4	0	0
2005	23.7	-144.6	0	0
2006	23.7	-145.0	0	0
2007	23.7	-145.4	0	0
2008	23.7	-145.8	0	0
2009	11.0	-67.8	0	0
2010	11.0	-68.1	0	0
2011	11.0	-68.0	0	0
2012	11.0	-67.8	0	0
2013	11.0	-67.7	0	0
2014	11.0	-67.6	0	0
2015	11.0	-67.4	0	0
2016	0	0	11.0	-31.5
2017	0	0	11.0	-31.5
2018	0	0	11.0	-31.5
2019	0	0	11.0	-31.5

In Table 6.36 SOC changes [kt C] in mineral soils in cropland and grassland converted to settlements are reported.

**Table 6.36 Change in carbon stocks in soil in cropland and grassland converted to settlements**

Year	cropland to settlements		grassland to settlements	
	conversion area kha	carbon stock kt C	conversion area kha	carbon stock kt C
1990	25.2	-1426.1	1.7	-135.1
1991	0	0	26.7	-2085.2
1992	0	0	26.7	-2085.2
1993	0	0	26.7	-2085.2
1994	0	0	26.7	-2085.2
1995	0	0	26.7	-2085.2
1996	26.7	-1514.0	0	0
1997	26.7	-1514.0	0	0
1998	26.7	-1514.0	0	0
1999	26.7	-1514.0	0	0
2000	26.7	-1514.0	0	0
2001	26.7	-1514.0	0	0
2002	26.7	-1514.0	0	0
2003	26.7	-1514.0	0	0
2004	26.7	-1514.0	0	0
2005	23.7	-1345.5	0	0
2006	23.7	-1345.5	0	0

Year	cropland to settlements		grassland to settlements	
	conversion area kha	carbon stock kt C	conversion area kha	carbon stock kt C
2007	23.7	-1345.5	0	0
2008	23.7	-1353.8	0	0
2009	11.0	-1156.2	0	0
2010	11.0	-622.5	0	0
2011	11.0	-622.5	0	0
2012	11.0	-622.5	0	0
2013	11.0	-622.5	0	0
2014	11.0	-622.5	0	0
2015	11.0	-622.5	0	0
2016	0	0	11.0	-857.3
2017	0	0	11.0	-857.3
2018	0	0	11.0	-857.3
2019	0	0	11.0	-857.3

Concerning other land converted to settlements, change in carbon stocks has been not estimated, in line with the 2006 IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006) as other land does not contain any significant carbon stocks.

### 6.6.5 Uncertainty and time series consistency

Uncertainty estimates for the period 1990–2019 have been assessed following Approach 1 of 2006 IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006). Input uncertainties dealing with activity data and emission factors have been assessed on the basis of the information provided in the 2006 IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006).

A Monte Carlo analysis has been carried out to assess uncertainty for settlements category, resulting in an asymmetrical probability density distribution, with uncertainties values equal to -100.3% and 49.2%. Normal distributions have been assumed for most of the parameters; whenever assumptions or constraints on variables were known this information has been appropriately reflected on the choice of type and shape of distributions. A more detailed description of the results is reported in Annex 1.

### 6.6.6 Category-specific QA/QC and verification

Systematic quality control activities have been carried out in order to ensure completeness and consistency in time series and correctness in the sum of sub-categories; where possible, activity data comparison among different sources (FAO database<sup>50</sup>, ISTAT data<sup>51</sup>) has been made. Data entries have been checked several times during the compilation of the inventory; particular attention has been focussed on the categories showing significant changes between two years in succession. Land use matrices have been accurately checked and cross-checked to ensure that data were properly reported. Several QA activities are carried out in the different phases of the inventory process. All the LULUCF categories have been embedded in the overall QA/QC-system of the Italian GHG inventory.

### 6.6.7 Category-specific recalculations

Slight recalculation (0.05% in 2018) occurs in 2021 submission compared to the 2020 one, due to the updated activity data.

### 6.6.8 Category-specific planned improvements

Urban tree formations will be probed for information, in order to estimate carbon stocks.

## 6.7 Other Land (4F)

Under this category, CO<sub>2</sub> emissions, from living biomass, dead organic matter and soils, from land converted in other land should be accounted for; no data is reported since the conversion to other land is not occurring.

<sup>50</sup> FAO, 2015. FAOSTAT, <http://faostat3.fao.org/home/E>

<sup>51</sup> ISTAT, several years [a], [b], [c]

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## **6.8 Direct N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from N inputs to managed soils (4(I))**

N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from N inputs to managed soils of cropland and grassland are reported in the agriculture sector; therefore, only N inputs to managed soils in forest land should be included in this section. All the related emissions are reported in the Agriculture sector, following the 2006 IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006, par. 11.2.1.3, vol. 4, chapter 11) and coherently with the KP Supplement (IPCC, 2014, par. 2.4.4.2).

## **6.9 Emissions and removals from drainage and rewetting and other management of organic and mineral soils (4(II))**

As regards N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from N drainage of forest or wetlands soils no data have been reported, since no drainage is applied to forest or wetlands soils.

## **6.10 N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from N mineralization/immobilization associated with loss/gain of soil organic matter resulting from change of land use or management of mineral soils**

### ***6.10.1 Description***

Under this category, direct N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from N mineralization associated with loss of soil organic matter in mineral soils in land converted to cropland and to settlements are reported.

### ***6.10.2 Methodological issues***

N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from mineralization of soil organic matter in mineral soils occur in land converted to cropland and land converted to settlements. The 2006 IPCC Guidelines eq. 11.1 and 11.8 (vol. 4, chapter 11) have been used to estimate the direct N<sub>2</sub>O emissions. IPCC default values, from 2006 Guidelines have been used, namely 15 for the C/N ratio and 0.01 kg N<sub>2</sub>O-N/kg N as EF.

In table 6.37 and table 6.38 N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from land-use conversion to cropland and from land-use conversion to settlements are reported, respectively.

**Table 6.37 N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from land-use conversion to cropland**

year	Conversion area		Carbon stock change <i>kt C</i>	F <sub>SOM</sub> <i>kt N</i>	N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>net-min -N</sub> <i>kt N<sub>2</sub>O-N</i>	N <sub>2</sub> O emissions <i>kt N<sub>2</sub>O</i>
	annual change <i>kha</i>	20 yrs change <i>kha</i>				
1990	0	136.1	414.2	27.6	0.28	0.43
1991	16.8	152.9	432.2	28.8	0.29	0.45
1992	16.8	169.7	448.2	29.9	0.30	0.47
1993	16.8	186.5	467.8	31.2	0.31	0.49
1994	16.8	203.2	484.0	32.3	0.32	0.51
1995	16.8	220.0	500.1	33.3	0.33	0.52
1996	0	192.8	448.2	29.9	0.30	0.47
1997	0	165.5	397.1	26.5	0.26	0.42
1998	0	138.3	346.9	23.1	0.23	0.36
1999	0	111.1	296.4	19.8	0.20	0.31
2000	0	83.8	239.8	16.0	0.16	0.25
2001	0	83.8	239.8	16.0	0.16	0.25
2002	0	83.8	239.7	16.0	0.16	0.25
2003	0	83.8	208.5	13.9	0.14	0.22
2004	0	83.8	208.5	13.9	0.14	0.22
2005	0	83.8	206.5	13.8	0.14	0.22
2006	0	83.8	192.8	12.9	0.13	0.20
2007	0	83.8	171.5	11.4	0.11	0.18
2008	0	83.8	151.5	10.1	0.10	0.16
2009	0	83.8	133.2	8.9	0.09	0.14
2010	0	83.8	133.2	8.9	0.09	0.14
2011	0	67.1	105.7	7.0	0.07	0.11
2012	0	50.3	80.3	5.4	0.05	0.08
2013	0	33.5	51.2	3.4	0.03	0.05
2014	0	16.8	25.5	1.7	0.02	0.03
2015	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
2016	38.9	38.9	68.1	4.5	0.05	0.07
2017	38.9	77.8	138.6	9.2	0.09	0.15
2018	38.9	116.7	204.9	13.7	0.14	0.21
2019	38.9	0	272.0	18.1	0.18	0.28

**Table 6.38 N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from land-use conversion to settlements**

year	Conversion area		Carbon stock change <i>kt C</i>	F <sub>SOM</sub> <i>kt N</i>	N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>net-min -N</sub> <i>kt N<sub>2</sub>O-N</i>	N <sub>2</sub> O emissions <i>kt N<sub>2</sub>O</i>
	annual change <i>kha</i>	20 yrs change <i>kha</i>				
1990	27.6	220.8	1,618.9	107.9	1.08	1.70
1991	27.6	242.9	2,142.9	142.9	1.43	2.24
1992	27.6	265.0	2,142.9	142.9	1.43	2.24
1993	27.6	287.1	2,142.9	142.9	1.43	2.24
1994	27.6	309.2	2,142.9	142.9	1.43	2.24
1995	27.6	331.3	2,143.1	142.9	1.43	2.25
1996	27.6	353.3	1,571.9	104.8	1.05	1.65
1997	27.6	375.4	1,571.9	104.8	1.05	1.65
1998	27.6	397.5	1,571.9	104.8	1.05	1.65
1999	27.6	419.6	1,571.9	104.8	1.05	1.65
2000	27.6	441.7	1,572.2	104.8	1.05	1.65
2001	27.6	463.8	1,572.2	104.8	1.05	1.65
2002	27.6	485.9	1,572.2	104.8	1.05	1.65
2003	27.6	507.9	1,572.2	104.8	1.05	1.65

year	Conversion area		Carbon stock change kt C	F <sub>SOM</sub> kt N	N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>net-min -N</sub> kt N <sub>2</sub> O-N	N <sub>2</sub> O emissions kt N <sub>2</sub> O
	annual change kha	20 yrs change kha				
2004	27.6	530.0	1,572.2	104.8	1.05	1.65
2005	27.6	552.1	1,645.0	109.7	1.10	1.72
2006	27.6	552.1	1,645.0	109.7	1.10	1.72
2007	27.6	552.1	1,645.0	109.7	1.10	1.72
2008	27.6	552.1	1,653.4	110.2	1.10	1.73
2009	14.7	539.2	1,455.8	97.1	0.97	1.53
2010	14.7	526.2	923.9	61.6	0.62	0.97
2011	14.7	513.3	923.9	61.6	0.62	0.97
2012	14.7	500.4	923.9	61.6	0.62	0.97
2013	14.7	487.4	923.9	61.6	0.62	0.97
2014	14.7	474.5	923.9	61.6	0.62	0.97
2015	14.7	461.6	926.2	61.7	0.62	0.97
2016	14.7	448.6	1,161.1	77.4	0.77	1.22
2017	14.7	435.7	1,161.1	77.4	0.77	1.22
2018	14.7	422.8	1,161.1	77.4	0.77	1.22
2019	14.7	409.9	1,161.1	77.4	0.77	1.22

### 6.10.3 Category-specific recalculations

A recalculation of 2.8% occurs in the 2021 submission, comparing to the 2020 submission, for the N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from land-use conversion to cropland for the 2018 reporting year. The recalculation is due to an update of the activity data and the consequent smoothing process affecting the 2016-2018 period. Additional information on the smoothing process is reported in the section 6.1.

## 6.11 Indirect N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from managed soils (4(IV))

### 6.11.1 Description

Direct N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from N inputs of synthetic and organic fertilizer to managed soils in any land use categories are reported in the agriculture sector; accordingly, the indirect N<sub>2</sub>O emissions are reported in the agriculture sector too. In this category, only the indirect N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from N mineralization associated with loss of soil organic matter are reported.

### 6.11.2 Methodological issues

Indirect N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from nitrogen leaching and runoff have been estimated with method and default values taken from the 2006 IPCC Guidelines. In particular, 0.3 for the Frac<sub>LEACH-(H)</sub> and 0.0075 kg N<sub>2</sub>O-N/kg N default values have been adopted for the EF<sub>5</sub>. Indirect N<sub>2</sub>O emissions are shown in table 6.39.

**Table 6.39 Indirect N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from managed soils - Nitrogen leaching and run-off**

year	F <sub>SOM</sub> kt N	Frac <sub>LEACH-(H)</sub>	EF <sub>5</sub> kg N <sub>2</sub> O-N/kg N	N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>net-min -N</sub> kt N <sub>2</sub> O-N	N <sub>2</sub> O emissions kt N <sub>2</sub> O
1990	27.61	0.30	0.01	0.06	0.10
1991	28.82	0.30	0.01	0.06	0.10
1992	29.88	0.30	0.01	0.07	0.11
1993	31.19	0.30	0.01	0.07	0.11
1994	32.27	0.30	0.01	0.07	0.11
1995	33.34	0.30	0.01	0.08	0.12
1996	29.88	0.30	0.01	0.07	0.11
1997	26.47	0.30	0.01	0.06	0.09
1998	23.13	0.30	0.01	0.05	0.08

	<b>FSOM</b>	<b>FracLEACH-(H)</b>	<b>EF<sub>5</sub></b>	<b>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>net-min</sub> -N</b>	<b>N<sub>2</sub>O emissions</b>
<i>year</i>	<i>kt N</i>		<i>kg N<sub>2</sub>O-N/kg N</i>	<i>kt N<sub>2</sub>O-N</i>	<i>kt N<sub>2</sub>O</i>
<b>1999</b>	19.76	0.30	0.01	0.04	0.07
<b>2000</b>	15.99	0.30	0.01	0.04	0.06
<b>2001</b>	15.99	0.30	0.01	0.04	0.06
<b>2002</b>	15.98	0.30	0.01	0.04	0.06
<b>2003</b>	13.90	0.30	0.01	0.03	0.05
<b>2004</b>	13.90	0.30	0.01	0.03	0.05
<b>2005</b>	13.77	0.30	0.01	0.03	0.05
<b>2006</b>	12.85	0.30	0.01	0.03	0.05
<b>2007</b>	11.43	0.30	0.01	0.03	0.04
<b>2008</b>	10.10	0.30	0.01	0.02	0.04
<b>2009</b>	8.88	0.30	0.01	0.02	0.03
<b>2010</b>	8.88	0.30	0.01	0.02	0.03
<b>2011</b>	7.05	0.30	0.01	0.02	0.02
<b>2012</b>	5.35	0.30	0.01	0.01	0.02
<b>2013</b>	3.41	0.30	0.01	0.01	0.01
<b>2014</b>	1.70	0.30	0.01	0.00	0.01
<b>2015</b>	0.0	0.30	0.01	0.00	0.00
<b>2016</b>	4.54	0.30	0.01	0.01	0.02
<b>2017</b>	9.24	0.30	0.01	0.02	0.03
<b>2018</b>	13.66	0.30	0.01	0.03	0.05
<b>2019</b>	18.14	0.30	0.01	0.04	0.06

### 6.11.3 Category-specific recalculations

A recalculation of 0.4% occur in the 2021 submission, comparing to the 2020 submission, for the 2018 reporting year. The recalculation is due to update of the activity data and the consequent smoothing process affecting the 2016-2018 period. Additional information on the smoothing process is reported in the section 6.1.

## 6.12 Biomass Burning (4(V))

### 6.12.1 Description

Under this source category, CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from wildfires occurring in forest land and CO<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from wildfires occurring in cropland and grassland categories are estimated. Areas affected by fires encompassed in settlements category have been reported, but no emissions are estimated, since the emissions have been assumed to be insignificant. An approximate estimate of GHG emissions from settlements has been carried out on the basis of the 2006 IPCC (i.e., value for shrublands, table 2.4, vol. 4, chap. 2, namely 26.7 t dm/ha). This resulted in a maximum of 7.96 kt CO<sub>2</sub> eq. in 2017 (0.47 kt CO<sub>2</sub> eq. in 2019), which is less than 500 kt CO<sub>2</sub> eq. and represents about 0.002 per cent of the national totals without LULUCF in 2019, which is less than 0.05 per cent of the national totals without LULUCF in 2019.

CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from wildfires occurring in forest land and other wooded land under grassland have been estimated on a specific model (For-Fires) which is described in Annex 15.

Statistics related to fires occurring in other land use categories (i.e., cropland, grassland, and settlements) have been collected in the framework of *ad hoc* expert panel on fires has been set up, formed by experts from different institutions from ISPRA and the Carabinieri Force (the Armed Forces and Police Authority where the State Forestry Service is embedded, following the legislative decree 19/08/2016, n. 177), currently in charge for the data collection related to burned area.

CO<sub>2</sub> emissions due to forest fires in forest land remaining forest land and land converting to forest land are included in CRF table 4.A.1, under carbon stock change in living biomass - losses.

Non-CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from fires have been estimated and reported in CRF table 4(V), while NO<sub>x</sub>, CO and NMVOC emissions from fires have been reported in CRF table 4. SO<sub>2</sub> emissions from fires are reported in 4H (Other - SO<sub>2</sub> from fires).

### 6.12.2 Methodological issues

CO<sub>2</sub> emissions due to forest fires in forest land remaining forest land and land converting to forest land are included in carbon stock change in living biomass – decrease, in CFR table 4.A.1. The total biomass loss due to forest fires has been estimated following the methodology reported in section 6.2.4.

Detailed information on the estimation process for the non-CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from forest fires is reported in Annex 15.

CH<sub>4</sub>, N<sub>2</sub>O, CO and NO<sub>x</sub> have been estimated following the IPCC 2006 methodology (eq. 2.27, vol. 4, chapter 4), multiplying the C released, estimated as described above, by the emission ratios elaborated for EMEP/EEA 2009 (table 3.3, Ch. 11.B).

In table 6.40 CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions resulting from biomass burning in forest land category are reported.

**Table 6.40 CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from biomass burning in forest land category**

<i>year</i>	<i>Forest land remaining forest land</i>		<i>Land converted to forest land</i>	
	<b>CH<sub>4</sub></b> <i>kt</i>	<b>N<sub>2</sub>O</b> <i>kt</i>	<b>CH<sub>4</sub></b> <i>kt</i>	<b>N<sub>2</sub>O</b> <i>kt</i>
<b>1990</b>	21.618	0.007	2.157	0.001
<b>1991</b>	6.551	0.002	0.695	0.000
<b>1992</b>	9.177	0.003	1.031	0.000
<b>1993</b>	22.020	0.007	2.611	0.001
<b>1994</b>	8.535	0.003	1.065	0.000
<b>1995</b>	4.266	0.001	0.558	0.000
<b>1996</b>	3.754	0.001	0.525	0.000
<b>1997</b>	12.809	0.004	1.909	0.001
<b>1998</b>	13.612	0.004	2.151	0.001
<b>1999</b>	7.948	0.002	1.327	0.000
<b>2000</b>	10.526	0.003	1.852	0.001
<b>2001</b>	6.983	0.002	1.289	0.000
<b>2002</b>	3.851	0.001	0.744	0.000
<b>2003</b>	8.425	0.003	1.701	0.001
<b>2004</b>	3.735	0.001	0.786	0.000
<b>2005</b>	4.088	0.001	0.897	0.000
<b>2006</b>	2.915	0.001	0.625	0.000
<b>2007</b>	19.284	0.006	4.039	0.001
<b>2008</b>	7.256	0.002	1.484	0.000
<b>2009</b>	8.037	0.003	1.606	0.001
<b>2010</b>	3.702	0.001	0.722	0.000
<b>2011</b>	7.559	0.002	1.440	0.000
<b>2012</b>	20.669	0.006	3.846	0.001
<b>2013</b>	2.925	0.001	0.531	0.000
<b>2014</b>	3.753	0.001	0.665	0.000
<b>2015</b>	5.573	0.002	0.965	0.000
<b>2016</b>	6.460	0.002	1.091	0.000
<b>2017</b>	38.987	0.012	6.426	0.002
<b>2018</b>	4.220	0.001	0.679	0.000
<b>2019</b>	3.864	0.001	0.606	0.000

In Table 6.41 CO<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions resulting from biomass burning in cropland and grassland categories are reported.

**Table 6.41 CO<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from biomass burning in cropland and grassland categories**

<i>year</i>	<i>Cropland</i>			<i>Grassland</i>		
	<b>CO<sub>2</sub></b> <i>kt</i>	<b>CH<sub>4</sub></b> <i>kt</i>	<b>N<sub>2</sub>O</b> <i>kt</i>	<b>CO<sub>2</sub></b> <i>kt</i>	<b>CH<sub>4</sub></b> <i>kt</i>	<b>N<sub>2</sub>O</b> <i>kt</i>
<b>1990</b>	39.821	0.217	0.007	5,032.029	27.447	0.863
<b>1991</b>	28.636	0.156	0.005	2,932.016	15.993	0.503
<b>1992</b>	25.136	0.137	0.004	2,878.694	15.702	0.493
<b>1993</b>	35.902	0.196	0.006	5,004.449	27.297	0.858
<b>1994</b>	36.668	0.200	0.006	3,897.569	21.259	0.668

<i>year</i>	<i>Cropland</i>			<i>Grassland</i>		
	<b>CO<sub>2</sub></b> <i>kt</i>	<b>CH<sub>4</sub></b> <i>kt</i>	<b>N<sub>2</sub>O</b> <i>kt</i>	<b>CO<sub>2</sub></b> <i>kt</i>	<b>CH<sub>4</sub></b> <i>kt</i>	<b>N<sub>2</sub>O</b> <i>kt</i>
<b>1995</b>	11.460	0.063	0.002	1,324.247	7.223	0.227
<b>1996</b>	15.475	0.084	0.003	1,652.503	9.014	0.283
<b>1997</b>	19.911	0.109	0.003	2,745.529	14.976	0.471
<b>1998</b>	33.915	0.185	0.006	4,103.100	22.381	0.703
<b>1999</b>	13.049	0.071	0.002	1,769.220	9.650	0.303
<b>2000</b>	23.181	0.126	0.004	2,945.316	16.065	0.505
<b>2001</b>	15.714	0.086	0.003	1,974.728	10.771	0.339
<b>2002</b>	8.454	0.046	0.001	1,056.866	5.765	0.181
<b>2003</b>	19.618	0.107	0.003	2,404.274	13.114	0.412
<b>2004</b>	16.153	0.088	0.003	1,718.959	9.376	0.295
<b>2005</b>	10.727	0.059	0.002	1,270.284	6.929	0.218
<b>2006</b>	9.666	0.053	0.002	1,095.213	5.974	0.188
<b>2007</b>	45.664	0.249	0.008	5,833.787	31.821	1.000
<b>2008</b>	14.816	0.081	0.003	2,089.793	11.399	0.358
<b>2009</b>	16.027	0.087	0.003	2,640.929	14.405	0.453
<b>2010</b>	8.552	0.047	0.001	1,748.790	9.539	0.300
<b>2011</b>	18.059	0.099	0.003	2,489.590	13.580	0.427
<b>2012</b>	33.948	0.185	0.006	4,272.534	23.305	0.732
<b>2013</b>	56.285	0.307	0.010	456.722	2.491	0.078
<b>2014</b>	5.964	0.033	0.001	1,196.236	6.525	0.205
<b>2015</b>	17.625	0.096	0.003	721.490	3.935	0.124
<b>2016</b>	15.068	0.082	0.003	847.602	4.623	0.145
<b>2017</b>	59.529	0.325	0.010	2,695.996	14.705	0.462
<b>2018</b>	8.064	0.044	0.001	214.095	14.705	0.462
<b>2019</b>	13.019	0.071	0.002	495.516	2.703	0.085

### 6.12.3 Uncertainty and time series consistency

Uncertainty estimates for the period 1990–2019 have been assessed following Approach 1 of 2006 IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006). Input uncertainties dealing with activity data and emission factors have been assessed on the basis of the information provided in the 2006 IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006).

### 6.12.4 Category-specific QA/QC and verification

Systematic quality control activities have been carried out in order to ensure completeness and consistency in time series and correctness. Data entries have been checked several times during the compilation of the inventory. Several QA activities are carried out in the different phases of the inventory process. In particular, the applied methodologies have been presented and discussed during several national workshop and expert meeting, collecting findings and comments to be incorporated in the estimation process. Additional methodological information and a comparison of approaches for reporting forest fire-related biomass loss and greenhouse gas emissions in southern Europe may be found in Chiriaco et al., (2013). All the LULUCF categories have been embedded in the overall QA/QC-system of the Italian GHG inventory.

### 6.12.5 Category-specific recalculations

Recalculation occurs for the whole time series of CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from wildfires occurring in forest land, due to update of estimation model; in particular, the model has been R-coded, the gap-filling procedure, significantly influencing the entire time-series and in particular the period 1990-2007, has been modified, and some errors have been detected and fixed. No deviation occurs for GHG emissions from wildfires occurred in cropland, while the recalculation in grassland category is mainly due to the update of activity data (i.e., burned area for 2017 and 2018).

**Table 6.42 Recalculation of emissions from biomass burning occurring in forest land, cropland and grassland**

2021 submission	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018
<b>Biomass burning - Forest land</b>									
CH <sub>4</sub> - kt	23.77	4.82	12.38	4.99	4.42	6.54	7.55	45.41	4.90
N <sub>2</sub> O- kt	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00
<b>Biomass burning - Cropland</b>									
CO <sub>2</sub> - kt	39.82	11.46	23.18	10.73	8.55	17.63	15.07	59.53	8.06
CH <sub>4</sub> - kt	0.22	0.06	0.13	0.06	0.05	0.10	0.08	0.32	0.04
N <sub>2</sub> O- kt	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00
<b>Biomass burning - Grassland</b>									
CO <sub>2</sub> - kt	5,032.03	1,324.25	2,945.32	1,270.28	1,748.79	721.49	847.60	2,696.00	214.10
CH <sub>4</sub> - kt	27.45	7.22	16.07	6.93	9.54	3.94	4.62	14.71	1.17
N <sub>2</sub> O- kt	0.86	0.23	0.50	0.22	0.30	0.12	0.15	0.46	0.04
<b>2020 submission</b>									
<b>Biomass burning - Forest land</b>									
CH <sub>4</sub> - kt	19.60	3.94	11.14	4.25	2.79	6.64	7.14	42.78	3.16
N <sub>2</sub> O- kt	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00
<b>Biomass burning - Cropland</b>									
CO <sub>2</sub> - kt	39.82	11.46	23.18	10.73	8.55	17.63	15.07	59.53	8.06
CH <sub>4</sub> - kt	0.22	0.06	0.13	0.06	0.05	0.10	0.08	0.32	0.04
N <sub>2</sub> O- kt	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00
<b>Biomass burning - Grassland</b>									
CO <sub>2</sub> - kt	5,031.29	1,324.09	2,944.88	1,270.12	1,748.89	722.95	848.43	1,977.24	663.56
CH <sub>4</sub> - kt	27.44	7.22	16.06	6.93	9.54	3.94	4.63	10.78	3.62
N <sub>2</sub> O- kt	0.86	0.23	0.50	0.22	0.30	0.12	0.15	0.34	0.11
<b>Recalculation</b>									
<b>Biomass burning - Forest land</b>									
%	17.56	18.38	10.04	14.80	37.04	- 1.64	5.46	5.80	35.55
%	17.56	18.38	10.04	14.80	37.04	- 1.64	5.46	5.80	35.55

Biomass burning - Cropland													
%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-			
%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-			
%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-			
Biomass burning - Grassland													
%	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	-	0.01	-	0.20	-	0.10	26.66	-	209.94
%	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	-	0.01	-	0.20	-	0.10	26.66	-	209.94
%	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	-	0.01	-	0.20	-	0.10	26.66	-	209.94

### 6.12.6 Category-specific planned improvements

No improvements are planned for the next submission.

## 6.13 Harvested wood products (HWP) (4G)

### 6.13.1 Description

Under this source category, annual changes in carbon stocks and associated CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and removals from the Harvested Wood Products (HWP) pool are estimated, following the production approach described in the Annex to Volume 4, Chapter 12, of the 2006 IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006), in line with Decision 2/CMP.7 and the guidance provided by the 2013 Revised Supplementary Methods and Good Practice Guidance Arising from the Kyoto Protocol (KP Supplement, IPCC 2014).

### 6.13.2 Methodological issues

Emissions from this source are mainly influenced by the trend in forest harvest rates: in 2019, the net emissions from harvested wood products were 1799.1 kt CO<sub>2</sub>. The figure 6.11 shows the trend of HWP in use for the period 1961-2019, disaggregated into sawnwood, wood-based panels and paper & paperboard.

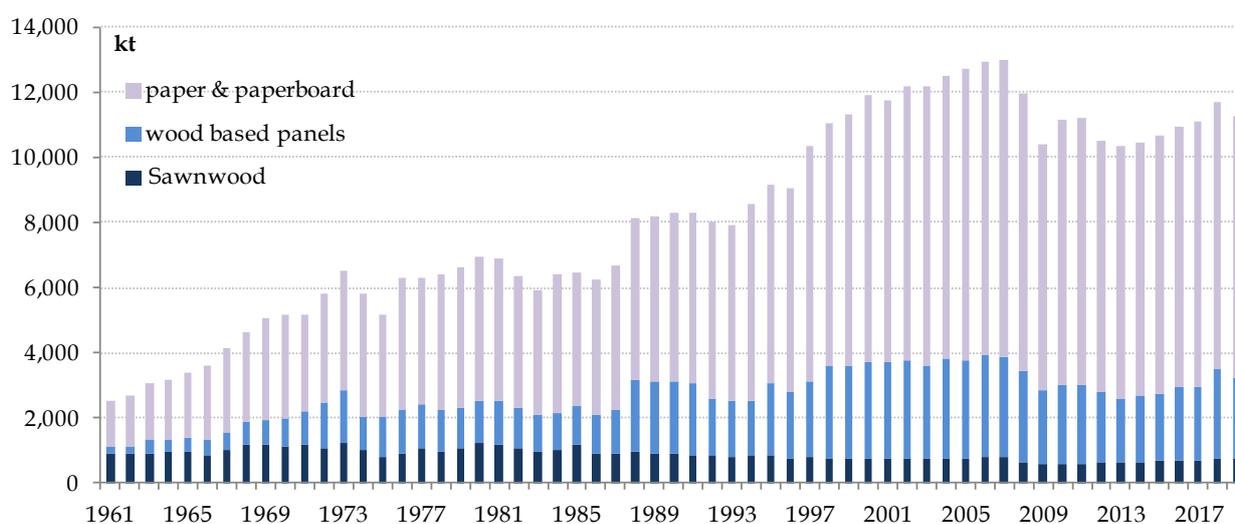


Figure 6.10 HWP in use for the period 1961-2019

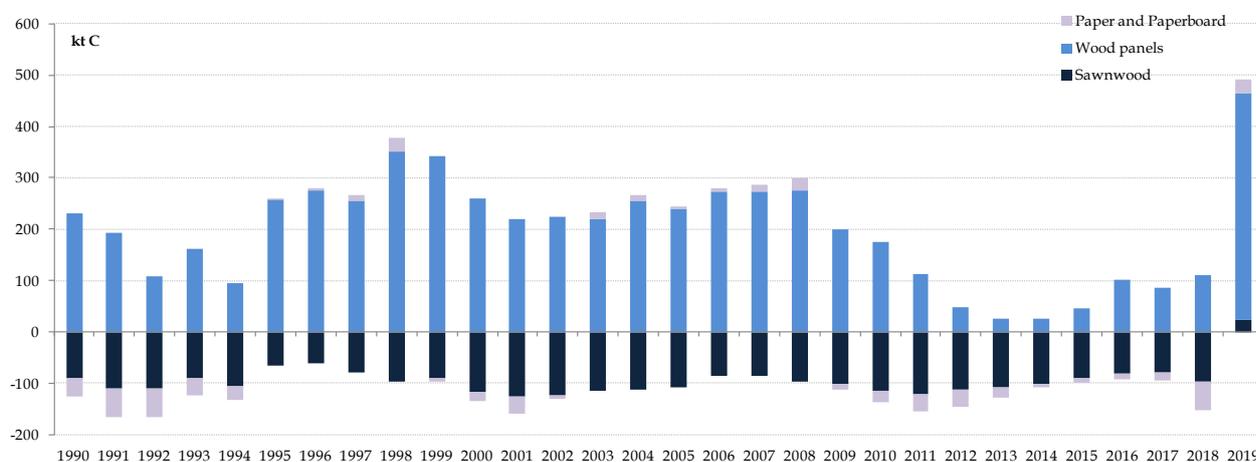
The activity data (production of sawnwood, wood-based panels and paper and paperboard) are derived from FAO forest product statistics (Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations: forest product statistics, <http://faostat3.fao.org/download/F/FO/E>).

Italy uses the same methodology to estimate emissions annual changes in carbon stocks and associated CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and removals from the HWP pools under UNFCCC and KP, following the Decision 2/CMP.7, paragraph 29, namely, that “transparent and verifiable activity data for harvested wood products categories are available, and accounting is based on the change in the harvested wood products pool of the second commitment period, estimated using the first-order decay function”.

The estimates have been carried out on the basis of the KP Supplement (IPCC, 2014) methodology. The Tier 2 approach, first order decay, was applied to the HWP categories (sawnwood, wood-based panels and paper and paperboard) according to equation 2.8.5 (IPCC, 2014).

Equation 2.8.1 (IPCC, 2014) has been applied to estimate the annual fraction of the feedstock coming from domestic harvest for the HWP categories sawnwood and wood-based panels.

The change in carbon stocks was estimated separately for each product category; the default values (table 2.8.1, in IPCC, 2014) have been applied. Emission factors for specific product categories were calculated with default half-lives of 35 years for sawnwood, 25 years for wood panels and 2 years for paper (table 2.8.2, IPCC 2014). The annual change in stock for the period 1961-2019, disaggregated into sawnwood, wood-based panels and paper & paperboard, is reported in figure 6.11.



**Figure 6.11 Annual change in stock (kt C) for the period 1990-2019**

### 6.13.3 Uncertainty and time series consistency

Uncertainty estimates for the period 1990–2019 have been assessed following Approach 1 of 2006 IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006). The uncertainties of activity data and emission factors used in the estimation process have been assessed based on the uncertainties of the default factors provided in the KP Supplement (IPCC, 2014) and the uncertainties of existing statistical data.

### 6.13.4 Category-specific QA/QC and verification

Systematic quality control activities have been carried out in order to ensure completeness and consistency in time series and correctness. Data entries have been checked several times during the compilation of the inventory. Several QA activities are carried out in the different phases of the inventory process. All the LULUCF categories have been embedded in the overall QA/QC-system of the Italian GHG inventory.

### 6.13.5 Category-specific recalculations

Deviations result from the comparison with 2020 submission (39.9% average on the period 1990-2018), due to the revision of FAOSTAT time series for wood-based panels, industrial roundwood, sawnwood, paper and paperboard (production, import and export).

### 6.13.6 Category-specific planned improvements

Planned improvements are related to the investigation on the end-use, the discard rates of HWP, as well as the final market use of wood in Italy. The main outcome of this investigation could be the set-up of country specific emission factors to be used in the estimation process.

## 7 WASTE [CRF sector 5]

### 7.1 Sector overview

The waste sector comprises four source categories:

- 1 solid waste disposal (5A);
- 2 biological treatment of solid waste (5B);
- 3 incineration and open burning of waste (5C);
- 4 wastewater treatment and discharge (5D).

The waste sector share of GHG emissions in the national greenhouse gas total is presently 4.35% (and was 3.34% in 1990).

The trend in greenhouse gas emissions from the waste sector is summarised in Table 7.1. It clearly shows that methane emissions from solid waste disposal sites (landfills) are by far the largest source category within this sector.

Emissions from waste incineration facilities without energy recovery are reported under category 5C, whereas emissions from waste incineration facilities, which produce electricity or heat for energetic purposes, are reported under category 1A4a (according to the IPCC reporting guidelines).

Under 5B, CH<sub>4</sub>, N<sub>2</sub>O and NMVOC emissions from compost production and CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from anaerobic digestion of solid waste are reported.

Emissions from methane recovered, used for energy purposes, in landfills and wastewater treatment plants are estimated and reported under category 1A4a.

**Table 7.1 Trend in greenhouse gas emissions from the waste sector 1990 – 2019 (Gg)**

GAS/SUBSOURCE	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
<b>CO<sub>2</sub> (Gg)</b>										
5C. Waste incineration	512.01	458.23	208.26	230.15	177.21	98.72	103.10	92.08	53.85	55.47
<b>CH<sub>4</sub> (Gg)</b>										
5A. Solid waste disposal on land	488.25	604.93	687.98	680.10	622.33	560.64	546.77	548.11	550.78	546.36
5B. Biological treatment of waste	0.19	0.43	1.86	3.66	4.65	4.83	4.91	4.84	4.77	4.58
5C. Waste incineration	2.00	2.32	2.23	2.46	2.33	2.32	2.41	2.26	2.19	2.18
5D. Wastewater treatment	128.35	121.25	113.67	110.06	105.01	97.51	99.35	98.00	98.33	97.90
<b>N<sub>2</sub>O (Gg)</b>										
5B. Biological treatment of waste	0.07	0.16	0.68	1.33	1.69	1.75	1.78	1.75	1.73	1.66
5C. Waste incineration	0.12	0.12	0.09	0.09	0.08	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.06	0.06
5D. Wastewater treatment	4.25	4.14	4.40	4.44	4.51	4.51	4.52	4.51	4.51	4.50

In the following box, key and non-key sources of the waste sector are presented based on level, trend or both. Methane emissions from landfills result as a key category at level and trend assessment calculated with Approach 1 and Approach 2; N<sub>2</sub>O emission from biological treatment of waste is a key category at level for 2019 and at trend assessment only considering the uncertainty; methane emission from wastewater treatment is a key source at level assessment with Approach 1 and Approach 2; N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from wastewater treatment result as a key category at level and trend assessment only with the Approach 2, taking into account the uncertainty. When including the LULUCF sector in the key source analysis, methane emissions from landfills is a key category at level and at trend assessment both with the Approach 1 and the Approach 2, whereas N<sub>2</sub>O emission from biological treatment of waste is a key category at trend and level assessment with the Approach 2, N<sub>2</sub>O from wastewater treatment is a key category at level and at trend assessment only with the Approach 2 while CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from wastewater treatment are not a key category at trend assessment.

*Key-source identification in the waste sector with the IPCC Approach 1 and Approach 2 (without LULUCF) for 2019*

5A	CH <sub>4</sub>	Emissions from solid waste disposal sites	Key (L, T)
5B	N <sub>2</sub> O	Emissions from biological treatment of waste	Key (L2, T2)
5D	CH <sub>4</sub>	Emissions from wastewater treatment	Key (L)
5D	N <sub>2</sub> O	Emissions from wastewater treatment	Key (L2, T2)
5B	CH <sub>4</sub>	Emissions from biological treatment of waste	Non-key
5C	CO <sub>2</sub>	Emissions from waste incineration	Non-key
5C	CH <sub>4</sub>	Emissions from waste incineration	Non-key
5C	N <sub>2</sub> O	Emissions from waste incineration	Non-key

## 7.2 Solid waste disposal on land (5A)

### 7.2.1 Source category description

The source category solid waste disposal on land is a key category for CH<sub>4</sub>, both in terms of level and trend. The share of CH<sub>4</sub> emissions is presently 37.9% (and was about 31.4% in the base year 1990) of the CH<sub>4</sub> national total. For this source category, also NMVOC emissions are estimated; it has been assumed that non-methane volatile organic compounds are 1.3 weight per cent of VOC (Gaudioso et al., 1993): this assumption refers to US EPA data (US EPA, 1990).

Methane is emitted from the degradation of waste disposed of in municipal landfills, both managed and unmanaged. The main parameters that influence the estimation of emissions from landfills are, apart from the amount of waste disposed into managed landfills, the waste composition, the fraction of methane in the landfill gas and the amount of landfill gas collected and treated. These parameters are strictly dependent on the waste management policies throughout the waste streams which start from waste generation, flow through collection and transportation, separation for resource recovery, treatment for volume reduction, stabilisation, recycling and energy recovery and terminate at landfill sites.

Urban waste disposal in landfill sites is still the main disposal practice: the percentage of waste disposed in landfills dropped from 91.1% in 1990 to 31.7% in 2019. This trend is strictly dependent on policies that have been taken in the last 20 years in waste management. In fact, at the same time, waste incineration as well as composting and mechanical and biological treatment have shown a remarkable rise due to the enforcement of legislation. Also recyclable waste collection, which at the beginning of nineties was a scarce practice and waste were mainly disposed in bulk in landfills or incineration plants, has been increasing: in 2019, the percentage of municipal solid waste separate collection is about 61.3% (the legislative targets fixed 50% in 2009), characterized by a strong growth in recent years.

In particular, in Italy the first legal provision concerning waste management was issued in 1982 (Decree of President of the Republic 10 September 1982, n.915), as a consequence of the transposition of some European Directives on waste (EC, 1975; EC, 1976; EC, 1978). In this decree, uncontrolled waste dumping as well as unmanaged landfills are forbidden, but the enforcement of these measures has been concluded only in 2000. Thus, from 2000 municipal solid wastes are disposed only into managed landfills.

For the year 2019, the non hazardous landfills in Italy disposed 6,283 kt of MSW and 3,256 kt of industrial wastes, as well as 257 kt of sludge from urban wastewater treatment plants.

Since 1999, the number of MSW landfills has decreased by more than 500 plants up to 131 in 2019, despite the decrease of the amount of wastes disposed of is less pronounced. This because both uncontrolled landfills and small controlled landfills have been progressively closed, especially in the south of the country, where the use of modern and larger plants was opted in order to serve large territorial areas.

Concerning the composition of waste which is disposed in municipal landfills, this has been changed over the years, because of the modification of waste production due to changes in the life-style and not to a forceful policy on waste management.

The Landfill European Directive (EC, 1999) has been transposed into national decree only in 2003 by the Legislative Decree 13 January 2003 n. 36 and applied to the Italian landfills since July 2005, but the effectiveness of the policies will be significant in the future. Moreover, a following law decree (Law Decree 30 December 2008, n.208) moved to December 2009 the end of the temporary condition regarding waste acceptance criteria, thus the composition of waste accepted in landfills is expected to change slowly.

Finally, methane emissions are expected especially from non hazardous waste landfills due to biodegradability rate of the wastes disposed of; in the past, provisions by law forced only non hazardous waste landfills to have a collecting gas system.

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### 7.2.2 Methodological issues

Emission estimates from solid waste disposal on land have been carried out using the IPCC Tier 2 methodology, through the application of the First Order Decay Model (FOD) with the start of the decay reaction on 1 January in the year after disposal.

Parameter values used in the landfill emissions model are:

- 1) total amount of waste disposed;
- 2) fraction of Degradable Organic Carbon (DOC);
- 3) fraction of DOC dissimilated ( $DOC_F$ );
- 4) fraction of methane in landfill gas (F);
- 5) oxidation factor ( $O_X$ );
- 6) methane correction factor (MCF);
- 7) methane generation rate constant (k);
- 8) landfill gas recovered (R).

It has been assumed that all the landfills, both managed and unmanaged, started operations in the same year, and have the same parameters, although characteristics of individual landfill sites can vary substantially.

Moreover, the share of waste disposed of into uncontrolled landfills has gradually decreased, as specified previously, and in the year 2000 it has been assumed equal to 0; nevertheless, emissions still have been occurring due to the waste disposed in the past years. The unmanaged sites have been considered “shallow” according to the IPCC classification.

#### *Municipal solid waste*

Basic data on waste production and landfills system are those provided by the national Waste Cadastre. The Waste Cadastre is formed by a national branch, hosted by ISPRA, and by regional and provincial branches. The basic information for the Cadastre is mainly represented by the data reported through the Uniform Statement Format (MUD), complemented by information provided by regional permits, provincial communications and by registrations in the national register of companies involved in waste management activities.

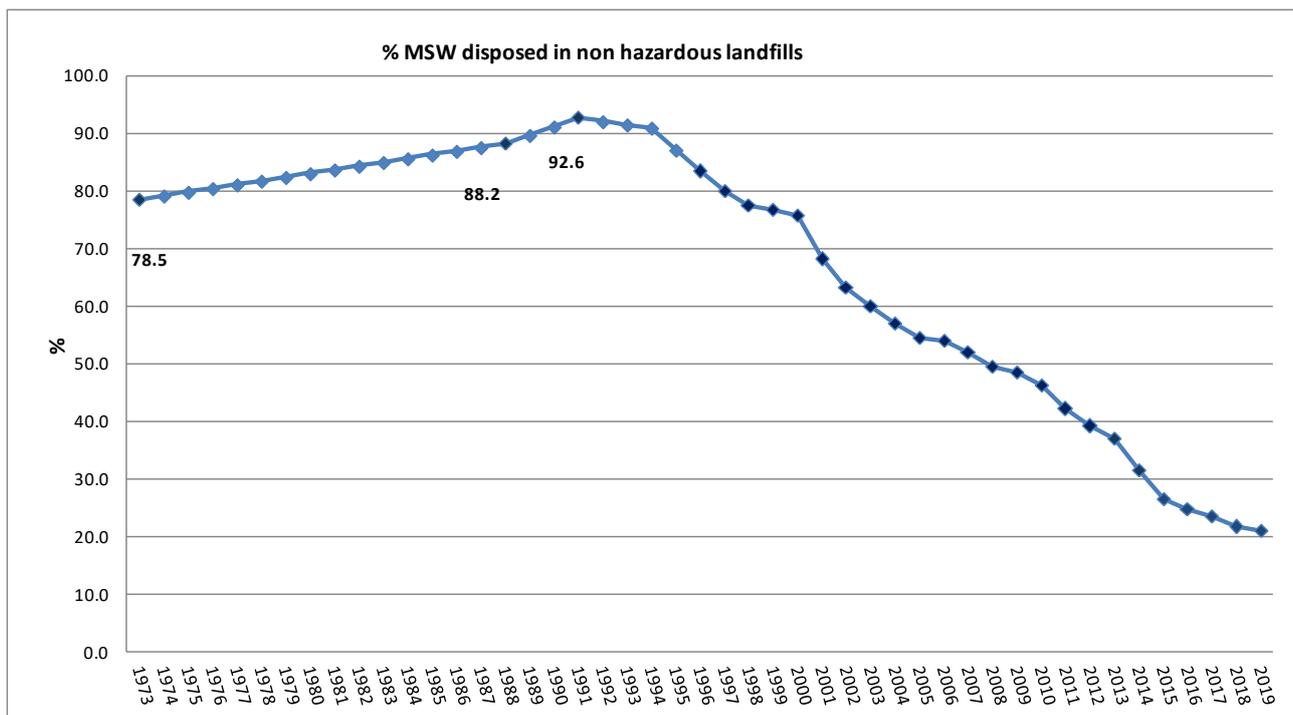
These figures have been elaborated and published by ISPRA yearly since 1999: the yearbooks report waste production data, as well as data concerning landfilling, incineration, composting and generally waste life-cycle data (APAT-ONR, several years; ISPRA, several years).

For inventory purposes, a database of waste production, waste disposal in managed and unmanaged landfills and sludge disposal in landfills was created and it has been assumed that in Italy waste landfilling started in 1950.

The complete database from 1975 of waste production, waste disposal in managed and unmanaged landfills and sludge disposal in landfills is reconstructed on the basis of different sources (MATTM, several years [a]; FEDERAMBIENTE, 1992; AUSITRA-Assoambiente, 1995; ANPA-ONR, 1999 [a], [b]; APAT, 2002; APAT-ONR, several years; ISPRA, several years), national legislation (Legislative Decree 5 February 1997, n.22), and regression models based on population (Colombari et al, 1998).

Since waste production data are not available before 1975, they have been reconstructed on the basis of proxy variables. Gross Domestic Product data have been collected from 1950 (ISTAT, several years [a]) and a correlation function between GDP and waste production has been derived from 1975; thus, the exponential equation has been applied from 1975 back to 1950.

Consequently, the amount of waste disposed into landfills has been estimated, assuming that from 1975 backwards the percentage of waste landfilled is constant and equal to 80%; this percentage has been derived from the analysis of available data. As reported in the Figure 7.1, in the period 1973 – 1991 data are available for specific years (available data are reported in dark blue, whereas estimated data are reported in light blue). From 1973 to 1991 waste disposal has increased, because the most common practice in waste management; from early nineties, thanks to a change in national policies, waste disposal in landfill has started to decrease, in favour of other waste treatments.



**Figure 7.1 Percentage of MSW disposal on land (%)**

In the following Table 7.2, the time series of MSW production and MSW disposed of into non hazardous landfills from 1990 is reported. The amount of waste disposed in managed landfills is yearly provided by the national Waste Cadastre since 1995. The time series has been reconstructed backwards on the basis of several studies reporting data available for 1973, 1988, 1991, 1994 (Tecneco, 1972; MATTM, several years [a]).

The amount of waste disposed in unmanaged landfills has been estimated as a percentage of the waste disposed in managed landfills. Different studies provided information about the percentage of waste in unmanaged sites for 1973, 1979, 1991 (Tecneco, 1972; ISTAT, 1984, MATTM, several years [a]) and data in other years are extrapolated. These studies show that the share of waste disposed of into uncontrolled landfills has gradually decreased, from 72.8%, in 1973, to 53.4% in 1979 and 26.6% in 1991, which is a consequence of the progressive implementation of the national legislation. Since 2000 the percentage of waste in unmanaged landfills is equal to zero because of legal enforcement described in 7.2.1.

Uncontrolled landfills have been monitored since 1982 when the D.P.R. 915/82 (Decree of the President of the Republic 915/82) introduced this requirement but the effective reduction of uncontrolled landfills occurred only following the D.Lgs.22/97 with the implementation of European Directives. From 1997 the amount of waste disposed in uncontrolled landfills (landfills not fullfilling the technological standard but allowed with special permits) strongly reduced till 2000 when they were not allowed anymore. Since 2000 police forces as Corpo Forestale dello Stato and Carabinieri (NOE - Environmental Care Command) protect and supervise the compliance with the law; if an illegal disposal of waste is revealed they proceed to the seizure and site remediation. Recently, the Law 68/2015 introduced in the Italian Penal Code a new Title entirely dedicated to crimes against the environment (Law 22 maggio 2015, n. 68).

### **Industrial waste**

Industrial waste assimilated to municipal solid waste (AMSW) could be disposed of in non hazardous landfills. Composition of AMSW must be comparable to municipal solid waste composition.

From 2001, data on industrial waste disposed of in municipal landfills are available from Waste Cadastre.

For previous years, assimilated municipal solid waste production has been reconstructed, and the same percentage of MSW disposed in landfill has been applied also to AMSW.

The complete database of AMSW production from 1975 to 2000 has been reconstructed starting from data available for the years 1988 (ISTAT, 1991) and 1991 (MATTM, several years [a]) with a linear interpolation, and with a regression model based on Gross Domestic Product (Colombari et al, 1998). From 1975 back to 1950 AMSW production has been derived as a percentage of MSW production; this percentage has been set equal to 15%, which is approximately the value obtained from the only data available (MSW and AMSW production for the years 1988 and 1991).

The time series of AMSW and domestic sludge disposed of into non hazardous landfills from 1990 is reported is also reported in Table 7.2.

**Table 7.2 Trend of MSW production and MSW, AMSW and domestic sludge disposed in landfills, 1990 – 2019**

ACTIVITY DATA	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
MSW production (Gg)	22,231	25,780	28,959	31,664	32,479	29,524	30,112	29,572	30,158	30,079
MSW disposed in landfills for non hazardous waste (Gg)	17,432	22,459	21,917	17,226	15,015	7,819	7,432	6,927	6,496	6,283
Assimilated MSW disposed in landfills for non hazardous waste (Gg)	2,828	2,978	2,825	2,914	3,508	3,222	2,513	3,899	3,512	3,256
Sludge disposed in managed landfills for non hazardous waste (Gg)	2,454	1,531	1,326	544	346	387	378	342	261	257
Total Waste to managed landfills for non hazardous waste (Gg)	16,363	21,897	26,069	20,684	18,870	11,428	10,322	11,167	10,269	9,797
Total Waste to unmanaged landfills for non hazardous waste (Gg)	6,351	5,071	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total Waste to landfills for non hazardous waste (Gg)</b>	<b>22,714</b>	<b>26,968</b>	<b>26,069</b>	<b>20,684</b>	<b>18,870</b>	<b>11,428</b>	<b>10,322</b>	<b>11,167</b>	<b>10,269</b>	<b>9,797</b>

### *Sludge from urban wastewater plants*

Sludge from urban wastewater treatment plants has also been considered, because it can be disposed of at the same landfills as municipal solid waste and assimilated, once it meets specific requirements. The fraction of sludge disposed in landfill sites has been estimated to be 75% in 1990, decreasing to 8% in 2019.

On the basis of their characteristics, sludge from urban wastewater treatment plants is also used in agriculture, sludge spreading on land, and in compost production, or treated in incineration plants.

The percentage of each treatment (landfilling, soil spreading, composting, incinerating and stocking) has been reconstructed within the years starting from 1990: for that year, percentages have been set based on data on tonnes of sludge treated in a given way available from a survey conducted by the National Institute of Statistics on urban wastewater plants for the year 1993 (ISTAT, 1998 [a] and [b]; De Stefanis P. et al., 1998).

From 1990 onwards each percentage has been varied on the basis of data available for specific years: in particular, data on sludge use in agriculture have been communicated by the Ministry for the Environment, Land and Sea concerning the reference time period from 1995 (MATTM, 2005; MATTM, several years [a]); data on sludge used in compost production are published from 1999, while data on sludge disposed into landfills are published from 2001 (APAT-ONR, several years; ISPRA, several years).

The total production of sludge from urban wastewater plants is communicated, every three years, by the Ministry for the Environment, Land and Sea from 1995 (MATTM, 2005; MATTM several years [b]) in the framework of the reporting commitments established by the European Sewage Sludge Directive (EC, 1986) transposed into the national Legislative Decree 27 January 1992, n. 99. The latest data provided are those referring to the years 2016-2018.

Moreover, sewage sludge production is available from different sources also for the years 1987, 1991 (MATTM, several years [a]) and 1993 (ISTAT, 1998 [a] and [b]). Thus, for the missing years data have been extrapolated.

As for the waste production, also sludge production time series has been reconstructed from 1950. Starting from the number of wastewater treatment plants in Italy in 1950, 1960, 1970 and 1980 (ISTAT, 1987), the equivalent inhabitants have been derived.

To summarize, from 1987 both data on equivalent inhabitants and sludge production are available (published or estimated), thus it is possible to calculate a *per capita* sludge production: the parameter results equal on

average to 80 kg inhab.<sup>-1</sup> yr<sup>-1</sup>. Consequently, this value has been multiplied to equivalent inhabitants from 1987 back to 1950.

In Table 7.3, time series of sewage sludge production and landfilling is reported.

**Table 7.3 Trend of total sewage sludge production and landfilling, 1990 – 2019**

ACTIVITY DATA	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Total sewage sludge production (Gg)	3,272	2,437	3,402	4,299	3,698	3,069	3,184	3,184	3,137	3,255
Sewage sludge landfilled (Gg)	2,454	1,531	1,326	544	346	387	378	342	261	257
Percentage (%)	75.0	62.8	39.0	12.7	9.4	12.6	11.9	10.7	8.3	7.9

### **Waste composition**

One of the most important parameters that influences the estimation of emissions from landfills is the waste composition. An in-depth survey has been carried out, in order to diversify waste composition over the years. On the basis of data available on waste composition (Tecneco, 1972; CNR, 1980; Ferrari, 1996), three slots (1950-1970; 1971-1990; 1991- 2005) have been individuated to which different waste composition has been assigned.

Waste composition used from 2005 back to 1971 (CNR, 1980; Ferrari, 1996) has been better specified, on the basis of data available from those publications. In particular, screened waste (< 20mm) has been included in emissions estimation, because the 50% of it has been assumed as organic and thus rapidly biodegradable. This assumption has been strengthened by expert judgments and sectoral studies (Regione Piemonte, 2007; Regione Umbria, 2007).

Moreover, a fourth slot (2006- up to now) has been individuated on the basis of the analysis of several regional waste composition and the analysis of waste disposed of into non hazardous landfills specified by the European Waste Catalogue (EWC) code for the year 2007, available from Waste Cadastre database (ISPRA, 2010). Data on waste composition refer to recent years and they are representative of the national territory, deriving from the North of Italy (Regione Piemonte, 2007; Regione Veneto, 2006; Regione Emilia Romagna, 2009), the Centre (Regione Umbria, 2007; Provincia di Roma, 2008) and the South (Regione Calabria, 2002; Regione Sicilia 2004). This last waste composition, adopted from 2006, includes compost residues which are disposed into landfills because their parameters are not in compliance with those set by the law: compost residues are reported under garden and park waste component, as they are considered moderately biodegradable. The complete AD time series has been reconstructed by filling gaps with the combination of the methods provided in the 2006 IPCC guidelines (mainly overlap and interpolation). Furthermore, the consistency between the last two classification is ensured by the high detail of the most recent data which has made it possible to univocally associate the waste deposited in landfills in the last period with those of the previous period. This also ensure the consistency in the application of the k values.

The moisture content and the organic carbon content are from national studies (Andreottola and Cossu, 1988; Muntoni and Poletti, 2002).

In Tables 7.4, 7.5, 7.6 and 7.7 waste composition of each national survey mentioned above and waste composition derived from the analysis of EWC code is reported, together with moisture content, organic carbon content and consequently degradable organic carbon both in waste type *i* and in bulk waste, DOC calculation is described in following paragraphs. Waste types containing most of the DOC and thus involved in methane emissions are highlighted in bold type.

Since sludge is not included in waste composition, because it usually refers to waste production and not to waste landfilled, it has been added to each waste composition, recalculating the percentage of waste type.

**Table 7.4 Waste composition and Degradable Organic Carbon calculation, 1950 - 1970**

WASTE COMPONENT	Composition by weight (wet waste)	Moisture content	Organic carbon content (dry matter)	DOC content in % of wet waste	DOC <sub>i</sub> (kgC/tMSW)
<b>Organic</b>	<b>32.7%</b>	<b>60%</b>	<b>48%</b>	<b>19%</b>	<b>62.73</b>
<b>Garden and park</b>	<b>3.6%</b>	<b>50%</b>	<b>48%</b>	<b>24%</b>	<b>8.71</b>
<b>Paper, paperboard</b>	<b>29.7%</b>	<b>9%</b>	<b>50%</b>	<b>46%</b>	<b>135.11</b>
Plastic	2.9%	2%	70%		

Inert	26.9%				
<b>Sludge</b>	<b>4.2%</b>	<b>75%</b>	<b>48%</b>	<b>12%</b>	<b>5.05</b>
<b>DOC</b>					<b>211.61</b>

**Table 7.5 Waste composition and Degradable Organic Carbon calculation, 1971 – 1990**

WASTE COMPONENT	Composition by weight (wet waste)	Moisture content	Organic carbon content (dry matter)	DOC content in % of wet waste	DOC <sub>i</sub> (kgC/tMSW)
<b>Organic</b>	<b>33.3%</b>	<b>60%</b>	<b>48%</b>	<b>19%</b>	<b>64.02</b>
<b>Garden and park</b>	<b>3.7%</b>	<b>50%</b>	<b>48%</b>	<b>24%</b>	<b>8.89</b>
<b>Paper, paperboard, textile and wood</b>	<b>19.6%</b>	<b>9%</b>	<b>50%</b>	<b>46%</b>	<b>89.29</b>
Plastic	6.3%	2%	70%		
Inert	6.2%				
Metal	2.6%				
Screened waste (< 2 cm)					
- organic	8.1%	60%	48%	19%	15.46
- non organic	8.1%				
<b>Sludge</b>	<b>12.0%</b>	<b>75%</b>	<b>48%</b>	<b>12%</b>	<b>14.40</b>
<b>DOC</b>					<b>192.06</b>

**Table 7.6 Waste composition and Degradable Organic Carbon calculation, 1991 - 2005**

WASTE COMPONENT	Composition by weight (wet waste)	Moisture content	Organic carbon content (dry matter)	DOC content in % of wet waste	DOC <sub>i</sub> (kgC/tMSW)
<b>Organic</b>	<b>24.7%</b>	<b>60%</b>	<b>48%</b>	<b>19%</b>	<b>47.36</b>
<b>Garden and park</b>	<b>4.2%</b>	<b>50%</b>	<b>48%</b>	<b>24%</b>	<b>10.09</b>
<b>Paper, paperboard</b>	<b>25.5%</b>	<b>8%</b>	<b>44%</b>	<b>40%</b>	<b>103.36</b>
<b>Nappies</b>	<b>2.7%</b>	<b>8%</b>	<b>44%</b>	<b>40%</b>	<b>10.98</b>
<b>Textiles</b>	<b>4.8%</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>55%</b>	<b>50%</b>	<b>23.98</b>
Leather and rubbers	2.1%	2%	70%		
Light plastics	8.9%	2%	70%		
Rigid plastics	3.0%	2%	70%		
Inert and glasses	5.9%				
Metal	2.9%				
Bulky waste	0.5%				
Various	1.5%				
Screened waste (< 2 cm)					
- organic	3.4%	60%	48%	19%	6.60
- non organic	3.4%				
<b>Sludge</b>	<b>6.3%</b>	<b>75%</b>	<b>48%</b>	<b>12%</b>	<b>7.55</b>
<b>DOC</b>					<b>209.92</b>

**Table 7.7 Waste composition and Degradable Organic Carbon calculation, 2006 – 2019**

WASTE COMPONENT	Composition by weight (wet waste)	Moisture content	Organic carbon content (dry matter)	DOC content in % of wet waste	DOC <sub>i</sub> (kgC/tMSW)
<b>Organic</b>	<b>21.9%</b>	<b>60%</b>	<b>48%</b>	<b>19%</b>	<b>42.07</b>
<b>Garden and park</b>	<b>5.6%</b>	<b>50%</b>	<b>48%</b>	<b>24%</b>	<b>13.53</b>
<b>Wood</b>	<b>1.6%</b>	<b>20%</b>	<b>50%</b>	<b>40%</b>	<b>6.47</b>

WASTE COMPONENT	Composition by weight (wet waste)	Moisture content	Organic carbon content (dry matter)	DOC content in % of wet waste	DOC <sub>i</sub> (kgC/tMSW)
Paper, paperboard, nappies	23.9%	8%	44%	40%	96.72
Textiles and leather	3.0%	10%	55%	50%	14.86
Plastics	11.8%	2%	70%		
Metals and Aluminium	2.3%				
Inert and glasses	6.4%				
Bulky waste	2.2%				
Various	6.5%				
Screened waste (< 2 cm)					
- organic	5.4%	60%	48%	19%	10.43
- non organic	5.4%				
Sludge	3.9%	75%	48%	12%	4.68
DOC					188.76

On the basis of the waste composition, waste streams have been categorized in three main types: rapidly biodegradable waste, moderately biodegradable waste and slowly biodegradable waste, as reported in Table 7.8. Methane emissions have been estimated separately for each mentioned biodegradability class and the results have been consequently added up.

**Table 7.8 Waste biodegradability**

Waste biodegradability	Rapidly biodegradable	Moderately biodegradable	Slowly biodegradable
Food	X		
Sewage sludge	X		
Screened waste (organic)	X		
Garden and park		X	
Paper, paperboard			X
Nappies			X
Textiles, leather			X
Wood			X

***Degradable organic carbon (DOC) and Methane generation potential (L<sub>0</sub>)***

Degradable organic carbon (DOC) is the organic carbon in waste that is accessible to biochemical decomposition, and should be expressed as Gg C per Gg of waste. The DOC in waste bulk is estimated based on the composition of waste and can be calculated from a weighted average of the degradable carbon content of various components of the waste stream. The following equation estimates DOC using default carbon content values.

$$DOC = \sum_i (DOC_i * W_i)$$

Where:

DOC = fraction of degradable organic carbon in bulk waste, kg C/kg of wet waste

DOC<sub>i</sub> = fraction of degradable organic carbon in waste type *i*,

W<sub>i</sub> = fraction of waste type *i* by waste category

Degradable organic carbon in waste type *i* can be calculated as following:

$$DOC_i = C_i * (1-u_i) * W_i$$

Where:

C<sub>i</sub> = organic carbon content in dry waste type *i*, kg C/ kg of waste type *i*

u<sub>i</sub>= moisture content in waste type *i*

W<sub>i</sub> = fraction of waste type *i* by waste category

Once known the degradable organic carbon, the methane generation potential value ( $L_0$ ) is calculated as:

$$L_0 = MCF * DOC * DOC_F * F * 16/12$$

Where:

MCF = methane correction factor

$DOC_F$  = fraction of DOC dissimilated

F = fraction of methane in landfill gas

Fraction of degradable organic carbon ( $DOC_F$ ) is an estimate of the fraction of carbon that is ultimately degraded and released from landfill, and reflects the fact that some degradable organic carbon does not degrade, or degrades very slowly, under anaerobic conditions in the landfill.

$DOC_F$  value is dependent on many factors like temperature, moisture, pH, composition of waste: the default value 0.5 has been used.

The methane correction factor (MCF) accounts for that unmanaged SWDS (solid waste disposal sites) produce less  $CH_4$  from a given amount of waste than managed SWDS, because a larger fraction of waste decomposes aerobically in the top layers of unmanaged SWDS. The MCF should be also interpreted as the ‘waste management correction factor’ because it reflects the management aspects.

The MCF value used for unmanaged landfill is the default IPCC value reported for uncategorised landfills: in fact, in Italy, before 2000 the existing unmanaged landfills were mostly shallow, because they resulted in uncontrolled waste dumping instead of real deep unmanaged landfills. On the basis of the qualitative information available regarding the national unmanaged landfills, the default IPCC value used has been considered the most appropriate to represent national circumstances also in consideration of the type of waste landfilled and the humidity degree of landfills. It is assumed that landfill gas is 50% VOC. On the basis of the recent inventory review in the framework of the ESD (Effort Sharing Directive) (EEA, 2017), Italy has distinguished wetlands from dry areas by associating each type of area with landfills in their respective territories, more information are available in the following paragraph. As it is estimated that sewage sludge has been disposed of only into landfills localized in the dry zone, the values of methane generation potential for the rapidly biodegradable fraction are slightly different. The following Table 7.9 summarizes the methane generation potential values ( $L_0$ ) generated, distinguished for managed and unmanaged landfills.

**Table 7.9 Methane generation potential values by waste composition, landfill typology and moisture conditions**

$L_0$ (m <sup>3</sup> CH <sub>4</sub> /tRSU)	1950 - 1970		1971 - 1990		1991 - 2005		2006 - 2019	
	dry	wet	dry	wet	dry	wet	dry	wet
<b>Rapidly biodegradable</b>								
- Managed landfill	89.7	94.6	85.4	94.6	87.2	94.6	90.2	90.2
- Unmanaged landfill	53.8	56.7	51.3	56.7	52.3	56.7	54.1	54.1
<b>Moderately biodegradable</b>								
- Managed landfill	118.2	118.2	118.2	118.2	118.2	118.2	118.2	118.2
- Unmanaged landfill	70.9	70.9	70.9	70.9	70.9	70.9	70.9	70.9
<b>Slowly biodegradable</b>								
- Managed landfill	224.1	224.1	224.1	224.1	205.9	205.9	204.0	204.0
- Unmanaged landfill	134.5	134.5	134.5	134.5	123.5	123.5	122.4	122.4

Finally, oxidation factors have been assumed equal to 0.1 for managed landfills and 0 for unmanaged according to the IPCC 2006 Guidelines where 0.1 is suggested for well managed landfills.

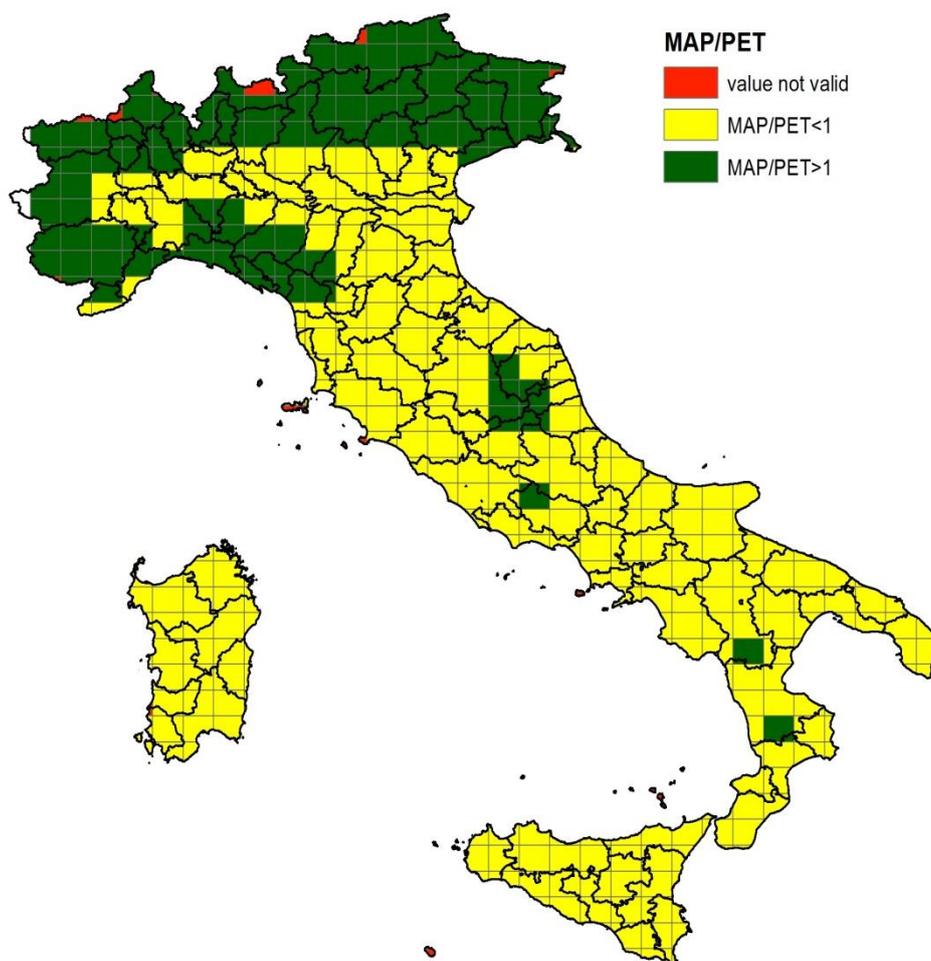
### ***Methane generation rate constant (k)***

The methane generation rate constant  $k$  in the FOD method is related to the time necessary for DOC in waste to decay to half its initial mass (the ‘half life’ or  $t_{1/2}$ ).

The maximum value of  $k$  applicable to any single SWDS is determined by a large number of factors associated with the composition of the waste and the conditions at the site. The most rapid rates are associated with high moisture conditions and rapidly degradable material such as food waste. The slowest decay rates are associated with dry site conditions and slowly degradable waste such as wood or paper. Thus, for each rapidly, moderately and slowly biodegradable fraction, and for each site conditions a different maximum methane generation rate constant has been assigned, as reported in Table 7.10. Different  $k$  values for rapidly, moderately and slowly biodegradable waste splitted up into dry or wet zones are applied to the different parts of the model. As above reported, consistency has been ensured in the application of a weighted average  $k$  value for slowly degradable waste but, more, Italy - applying the FOD model with the individual  $k$  values - noted that non underestimation

occurred. Furthermore, Italian experts believe that the application of the weighted average, especially for slowly biodegradable waste, constitutes a more realistic representation of the phenomenon.

The methane generation rate constant  $k$  values derive from the 2006 IPCC Guidelines. Italy has investigated more deeply the country specific conditions and revised the  $k$ -values considering the subdivision of the national territory in dry or wet zones on the basis of georeferenced data (30 km grid) consisting of the monthly average climatic summaries (period 1986-2015) of precipitation and evapotranspiration referring to the rainy period (October-December) and to the entire national territory provided by the Research Centre for Agriculture and Environments CREA-AA (CREA, 2017). Subsequently the ratio between precipitation (MAP = Mean Annual Precipitation) and evapotranspiration (PET = Potential Evapotranspiration) has been calculated and dry and wet zones distinguished following the 2006 Guidelines. Results have been reported in Figure 7.2., more information in (ISPRA, 2018).



**Figure 7.2 Distribution of moisture conditions as defined by the 2006 IPCC GL**

On the basis of the location of the solid waste disposal sites and of the distribution of dry or wet zones, the appropriate  $k$  values have been set; in particular, as reported in Table 7.10: 1) dry zones, rapidly biodegradable waste half life=12 years and  $k=0.06$ , moderately biodegradable half life=14 years and  $k=0.05$ , slowly biodegradable half life=20 years and  $k=0.03$ ; 2) wet zones, rapidly biodegradable waste half life=4 years and  $k=0.17$ , moderately biodegradable half life=7 years and  $k=0.10$ , slowly biodegradable half life=14 years and  $k=0.05$ . Information and data about the fraction of waste landfilled in dry or wet zones are reported in (ISPRA, 2018). In particular, in 1990 MSW have been landfilled for 81% in dry zones and 19% in wet zones and assimilated MSW for 84% in dry and 16% in wet zones. In 2019 MSW have been landfilled for 92% in dry zones and 8% in wet zones while assimilated MSW keep the same distribution.

**Table 7.10 Half-life values and related methane generation rate constant**

MOISTURE CONDITIONS	WASTE TYPE	Half life	Methane generation rate constant
DRY	Rapidly biodegradable	12 year	0.06
	Moderately biodegradable	14 years	0.05
	Slowly biodegradable	20 years	0.03
WET	Rapidly biodegradable	4 year	0.17
	Moderately biodegradable	7 years	0.10
	Slowly biodegradable	14 years	0.05

**Landfill gas recovered (R)**

Landfill gas recovered data have been reconstructed on the basis of information on extraction plants (De Poli and Pasqualini, 1991; Acaia et al., 2004; Asja, 2003) and electricity production (TERN A, several years).

Only managed landfills have a gas collection system, and the methane extracted can be used for energy production or can be flared.

The amount of methane recovery in landfills has increased as a result of the implementation of the European Directive on the landfill of waste (EC, 1999); the amounts of methane recovered and flared have been estimated taking into account the amount of energy produced, the energy efficiency of the methane recovered, the captation efficiency and the efficiency in recovering methane for energy purposes assuming that the rest of methane captured is flared. The emissions from biogas recovered from landfills and used for energy purposes are reported in the energy sector in “1A4a biomass” category together with wood, the biomass fraction of incinerated waste and biogas from wastewater plants. In Table 7.11 consumptions and low calorific values are reported for the year 2019.

**Table 7.11 1A4a biomass detailed activity data. Year 2019**

Fuels	Consumption (Gg)	LCV (TJ/Gg)
Wood	283.92	10.47
Wood and similar		
Steam Wood	0.00	30.80
Incinerated waste (biomass)	2197.56	11.34
Biogas from landfills	258.22	54.52
Biogas from wastewater plants	25.94	54.52

The total CH<sub>4</sub> recovered is the sum of methane flared and methane used for energy purposes (see figure 7.3). Until 2000, the methane used for energy production is estimated starting from the electricity produced annually ( $E = \text{GWh} * 3.6 = \text{TJ}$ ) by landfills (TERN A, several years) assuming an energy conversion efficiency equal to 0.3, typical efficiency value for engines that produce electricity from biogas (Colombo, 2001), and a LCV (Lower Calorific Value) equal to 50.038 TJ/Gg:

$$((E/0.3)/50.038)*1000 = \text{CH}_4 \text{ Mg/year}$$

The LCV used for biogas derives from national experts and it is verified with energy and quantitative data about biogas production from waste supplied by TERN A (National Independent System Operator).

Since 2001, TERN A provides directly the amounts of biogas recovered for energy purposes, in this case the LCV has been derived from the comparison with the supplied energy data.

For the years 1987, 1988, 1989 and 1990, the methane flared is supplied by the plants (De Poli and Pasqualini, 1991); from 1991 to 1997 the methane flared has been extrapolated from the previous years; finally, for the following years the methane flared has been estimated using information based on monitored data supplied by the main operators (Asja, 2003 and Acaia, 2004) regarding the efficiency in recovering methane for energy purposes with respect to the total methane collected. This efficiency value increased from 56% of the total, in 1998, to 65% since 2002. In particular, the flared quantity of methane in 1990, reported by (De Poli and Pasqualini, 1991), is equal to 1,170,000 m<sup>3</sup>/day which result in 108,858 Mg/y and, in 1990, this amount corresponds to the total methane recovered. Since 1991 TERN A (National Independent System Operator) supplies the amount of biogas collected with energy recovery while (ASJA, 2003) and (Acaia, 2004) supply the percentage (flared / with energy recovered) equal to 35% in 2000 (survey on landfills in the Lombardy region, year 2000, 32 plants) and 30% in the following years (Asja landfills produced 35% of energy from landfill gas at the national level in 2001-2002). After 2020 this value, 30 % flared of total biogas collected, has been keep constant not considering further improving in efficiency in recovering methane for energy purposes

with respect to the total methane collected. Since 2002 the efficiency is estimated on the basis of an interpolation over the period 2002-2020.

Furthermore, following the recommendation of 2016 ESD- review (EU, 2016), Italy has started to collect plant data derived from IPPC permits. The completion of this search takes time as there are no available data base but it is necessary to make a documentary study, plant by plant. The documents analyzed at the time (some of these are available on the website <http://ippc-aia.arpa.emr.it/ippc-aia/CercaImpiantiTipo.aspx>) seem to confirm current estimates (biogas flared = 30/35% of collected biogas).

Total methane collected is estimated, in 2019, equal to 38% of the total methane produced.

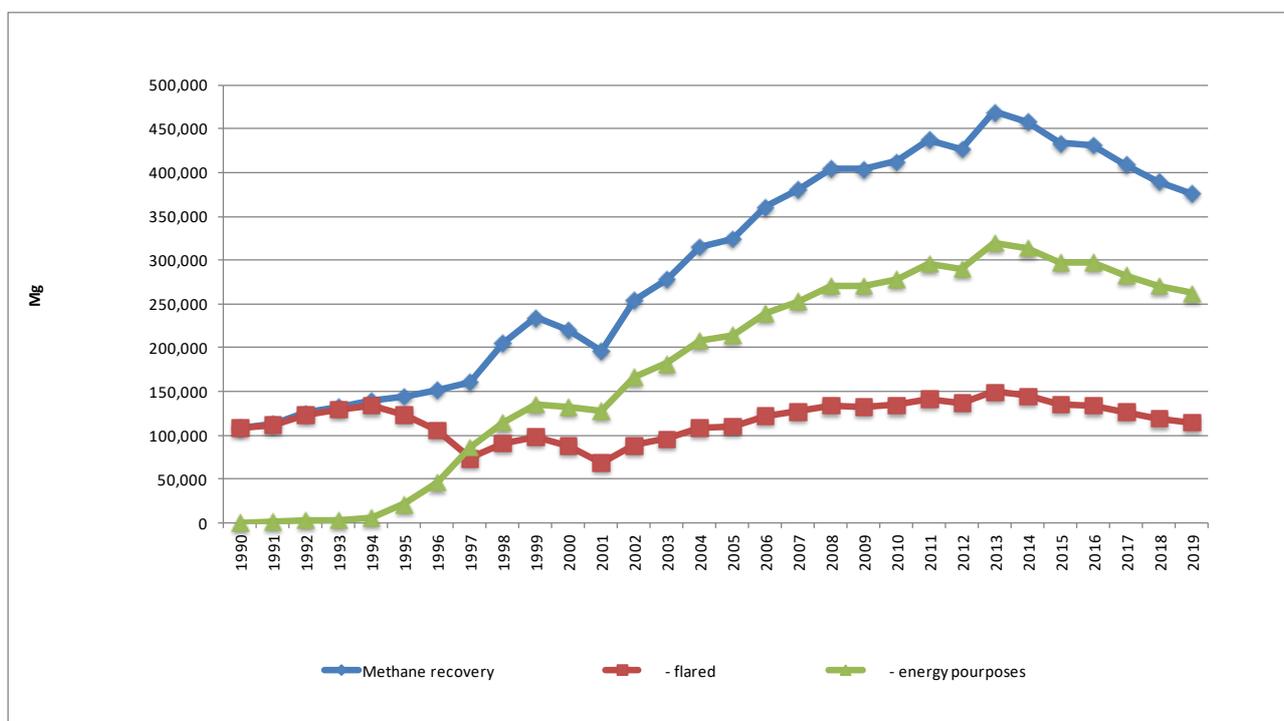


Figure 7.3 Methane recovery distinguished in flared amount and energy purposes (Mg)

#### CH<sub>4</sub> and NMVOC emission time series

The time series of CH<sub>4</sub> emissions is reported in Table 7.12; emissions from the amount used for energy purposes are estimated and reported under category 1A4a.

Whereas waste production continuously increases, from 2001 solid waste disposal on land has decreased as a consequence of waste management policies, although fluctuations in the amounts of industrial waste and sludge could influence this trend. At the same time, the increase in the methane-recovered percentage has led to a reduction in net emissions.

Further reduction is expected in the future because of the increasing in waste recycling.

Table 7.12 VOC produced, recovered and CH<sub>4</sub> and NMVOC net emissions, 1990 – 2019 (Gg)

EMISSIONS	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
<b>Managed Landfills</b>										
VOC produced (Gg)	396.4	565.5	772.3	916.7	977.4	956.9	943.5	927.6	915.5	901.5
VOC recovered (Gg)	108.9	144.1	220.4	323.7	412.7	433.6	431.0	409.1	389.7	376.6
VOC recovered (%)	27.5	25.5	28.5	35.3	42.2	45.3	45.7	44.1	42.6	41.8
CH <sub>4</sub> net emissions (Gg)	255	374.3	490.3	526.7	501.7	464.8	455.2	460.6	467.1	466.3
NMVOC net emissions (Gg)	3.4	4.9	6.5	6.9	6.6	6.1	6.0	6.1	6.2	6.1
<b>Unmanaged Landfills</b>										
VOC produced (Gg)	235.9	233.6	200.3	155.4	122.3	97.1	92.8	88.7	84.8	81.1
VOC recovered (Gg)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
CH <sub>4</sub> net emissions (Gg)	232.8	230.6	197.7	153.4	120.7	95.8	91.6	87.5	83.7	80.1
NMVOC net emissions (Gg)	3.1	3.0	2.6	2.0	1.6	1.3	1.2	1.2	1.1	1.1

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### 7.2.3 *Uncertainty and time-series consistency*

The uncertainty in CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from solid waste disposal sites has been estimated both by Approach 1 and Approach 2 of the IPCC guidelines.

Following Approach 1, the combined uncertainty is estimated to be 22.4%, 10% and 20% for activity data and emission factors, respectively, as suggested by the IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006).

Applying Montecarlo analysis, the resulting uncertainty is estimated equal to 12.6% in 2009. Normal distributions have been assumed for most of the parameters; whenever assumptions or constraints on variables were known this information has been appropriately reflected on the choice of type and shape of distributions. A summary of the results is reported in Annex 1.

Emissions from landfills (Table 7.12) are influenced, apart from the amount of waste landfilled, also from waste composition and site conditions, as for each biodegradability class different parameters are used in the model.

The total amount of waste disposed of into managed landfills increased until 2000 (in 2000 the landfilling of waste in unmanaged landfills has stopped too), then it decreased from 2000 to 2003, while from 2003 to 2008 it is quite stable. Since 2009, due to the increasing in collection and recycling, but also to the economic crisis, the amount of waste disposed of in landfills is significantly decreased. It is important to remind that the total amount of waste disposed of is the sum of municipal solid wastes (which have decreased due to the enforcement of the legislation), sludge and industrial waste (only those similar to the municipal ones), which are subjected to fluctuation.

As previously reported, four waste compositions have been used, changing from 1950 to 2019 as well as the percentage of rapidly, moderately and slowly biodegradable fraction. The combination of the amount of waste landfilled and the waste composition has led to an increase of methane production from 1990 to the period 2005-2010 and a reduction in the last years.

At the same time, biogas recovery has increased up to 2013, but from 2000 the recovery rate is higher: in 2013 the methane recovered is about 42% of the methane produced. Methane emissions for 2013 result mainly from the amount of waste landfilled in the previous three years (2010-2012) and the observed decline is explained by the sharp decrease in the amount of solid waste disposed in landfills in these years.

### 7.2.4 *Source-specific QA/QC and verification*

The National Waste cadastre is managed by ISPRA and is formed by a national branch hosted by ISPRA and regional and provincial branches hosted by the Regional Agencies for the Protection of the Environment. So the system requires continuous and systematic knowledge exchange and QA/QC checks in order to ensure homogeneity of information concerning waste production and management throughout the entire Italian territory. At central level, ISPRA provides assessment criteria and procedures for data validation, through the definition of uniform standard procedures for all regional branches. The national branch, moreover, ensures spreading of the procedures and training of technicians in each regional branch. Data are validated by ISPRA detecting potential errors and data gaps, comparing among different data sources and asking for further explanation to the regional branches whenever needed. Moreover, ISPRA has started a number of sectoral studies with a view to define specific waste production coefficients related to each production process. So through the definition of such 'production factors' and the knowledge of statistical information on production, it is possible to estimate the amount of waste originated from each sector for the selected territorial grid cell and compare the results to the statistical data on waste production.

For general QC checks on emission estimates and related parameters, each inventory expert fills in, during the inventory compilation process, a format with a list of questions to be answered which helps the compiler avoid potential errors and is also useful to prove the appropriateness of the methodological choices.

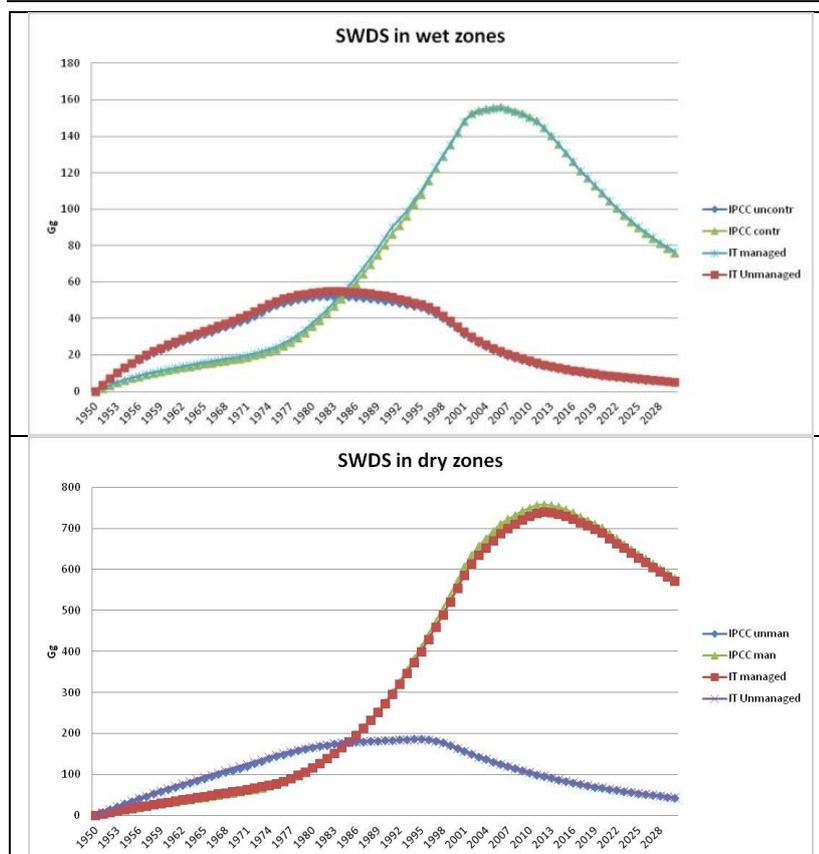
Following a recommendation during the previous review process further verifications have been carried out to check the k values for slowly degrading waste; the FOD model has been applied using the k value calculated as a weighted average between paper and wood but also inputting the different and appropriate values for paper and for wood. On the basis of 2019 submission data, the methane produced in the first case is 632,294 Mg in 1990 and 1,013,714 Mg in 2017; in the second one the methane produced is equal to 616,283 Mg in 1990 and 1,013,062 Mg in 2017. More, the sum of methane produced with the first model from 1990 to 2017 is equal to 26,943,609 Mg while using two distinct k values the sum results in 26,697,478 demonstrating that there is not an underestimation.

As regards the choice in k values, an in depth survey has been conducted and results have been reported in a technical note (ISPRA, 2018).

On the basis of the last European Review (EEA, 2020) A comparison of the IPCC waste model (MS excel) with the model used by Italy for the simulation of biogas production was carried out. To adequately compare the two calculation models, 4 outputs were created corresponding to the categories used in the Italian model: wet-managed (SWDS in wet zone and well managed), wet unmanaged (SWDS in wet zone and not managed), dry managed (SWDS in dry zone and well managed) and dry unmanaged (SWDS in dry zone and not managed). By using the same activity data and the same parameters in both models, almost identical results are obtained as can be seen from the following figures demonstrating the correct implementation of the physicochemical relationships in the Italian model. The differences shown in the table are largely within the uncertainty of the estimate.

**Table 7.13 Comparison between the Italian and the IPCC spreadsheet for biogas production**

	IPCC model	Italian model	difference
	CH <sub>4</sub> Gg	CH <sub>4</sub> Gg	%
<b>1990</b>			
wet managed 1990	80	84	4.4%
wet unmanaged 1990	50	53	5.8%
dry managed 1990	277	273	-1.3%
dry unmanaged 1990	183	183	0.4%
tot 1990	589	593	0.6%
<b>2019</b>			
wet managed 2019	113	113	0.4%
wet unmanaged 2019	9	10	8.8%
dry managed 2019	711	698	-1.8%
dry unmanaged 2019	70	71	2.0%
tot 2019	903	892	-1.1%



**Figure 7.4 Comparison between the Italian and the IPCC spreadsheet for biogas production**

Following another recommendation deriving from the review process, Italy investigated the possibility to estimate the emissions from certain episodes of illegal dumping. There are no quantitative data about this issue but from a qualitative point of view it was known that waste was prevalently industrial waste rich in heavy

metals and inorganic chemicals, generally no or slowly biodegradable. Anyhow, the waste has been collected and temporarily stored in “ecoballe”, therefore officially registered and sent to appropriate treatments resulting in the data reported by the National database (for example in the case of events in the Naples region).

Moreover, an in depth analysis of EWC codes of waste disposed of in landfills has been done for the year 2007, thanks to the complete database of Waste Cadastre kindly supplied by ISPRA Waste Office. This accurate analysis has permitted to verify the correctness of waste typology assumptions used for the estimations. We take the opportunity to point out that following a project already started with the managers of waste management statistics, the updating of the waste composition of the last period is planned for the next submission.

Finally, an important improvement in waste data collection has been implemented by ISPRA and the Regional Agencies for the Protection of the Environment, consequently the waste statistical report includes the urban waste data referred to last years allowing a timely reporting.

### 7.2.5 Source-specific recalculations

In Table 7.14, municipal and industrial (assimilated to MSW) wastes disposed into non hazardous landfills are reported also for submission 2020. Only minor recalculations in 2018 for the update of activity data.

**Table 7.14 MSW disposed into landfills time series, 1990 – 2019 (t), AMSW disposed into landfills time series, 1990 – 2019 (t), and differences in percentage between Submission 2021 and Submission 2020.**

Year	Submission 2021			Submission 2020			% MSW	% AMSW	% Total
	MSW to landfill (t)	AMSW to landfill (t)	Total waste (except sludge) to landfill (t)	MSW to landfill (t)	AMSW to landfill (t)	Total waste (except sludge) to landfill (t)			
1990	17,431,760	2,827,867	20,259,627	17,431,760	2,827,867	20,259,627	-	-	-
1995	22,458,880	2,977,672	25,436,552	22,458,880	2,977,672	25,436,552	-	-	-
2000	21,917,417	2,825,340	24,742,757	21,917,417	2,825,340	24,742,757	-	-	-
2005	17,225,728	2,913,697	20,139,425	17,225,728	2,913,697	20,139,425	-	-	-
2006	17,525,881	2,480,830	20,006,711	17,525,881	2,480,830	20,006,711	-	-	-
2007	16,911,545	2,776,637	19,688,182	16,911,545	2,776,637	19,688,182	-	-	-
2008	16,068,760	3,703,220	19,771,980	16,068,760	3,703,220	19,771,980	-	-	-
2009	15,537,822	3,180,904	18,718,726	15,537,822	3,180,904	18,718,726	-	-	-
2010	15,015,119	3,508,400	18,523,519	15,015,119	3,508,400	18,523,519	-	-	-
2011	13,205,749	2,882,686	16,088,435	13,205,749	2,882,686	16,088,435	-	-	-
2012	11,720,316	2,291,946	14,012,262	11,720,316	2,291,946	14,012,262	-	-	-
2013	10,914,353	2,511,711	13,426,064	10,914,353	2,511,711	13,426,064	-	-	-
2014	9,331,898	2,912,908	12,244,806	9,331,898	2,912,908	12,244,806	-	-	-
2015	7,818,795	3,221,646	11,040,441	7,818,795	3,221,646	11,040,441	-	-	-
2016	7,431,611	2,512,938	9,944,549	7,431,611	2,512,938	9,944,549	-	-	-
2017	6,926,548	3,899,413	10,825,961	6,926,548	3,899,413	10,825,961	-	-	-
2018	6,496,000	3,511,898	10,007,898	6,485,714	3,511,898	9,997,612	0.16	0.00	0.10
2019	6,283,307	3,256,299	9,539,606						

In Table 7.15 differences in percentage between emissions from landfills reported in the updated time series and 2019 submission are presented. Some minor recalculations occurred because of the update of sludge activity data.

**Table 7.15 Differences in percentage between emissions from landfills reported in the updated time series and 2020 submission**

EMISSIONS	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018
<b>Managed Landfills</b>									
VOC produced (Gg)	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0.18%	0.23%	0.28%	0.32%
VOC recovered (Gg)	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
CH <sub>4</sub> net emissions (Gg)	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0.32%	0.43%	0.50%	0.56%
NM VOC net emissions (Gg)	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0.32%	0.43%	0.50%	0.56%
<b>Unmanaged Landfills</b>									
VOC produced (Gg)	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%

EMISSIONS	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018
VOC recovered (Gg)	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
CH <sub>4</sub> net emissions (Gg)	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
NMVOC net emissions (Gg)	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%

### 7.2.6 Source-specific planned improvements

Currently, more recent data on the fraction of CH<sub>4</sub> in landfill gas and on the amount of landfill gas collected and treated are under investigation. As reported in the paragraph 7.2.4, the updating of the waste composition of the last period is planned for the next submission.

## 7.3 Biological treatment of solid waste (5B)

### 7.3.1 Source category description

Biological treatment of solid waste is a key category for N<sub>2</sub>O emissions at level (for 2018) and trend assessment but only with the Approach 2. Under this source category CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from compost production and CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from anaerobic digestion of waste have been reported. NMVOC emissions from compost production have been estimated too. The amount of waste treated in composting and digestion plants has shown a great increase from 1990 to 2019 (from 283,879 Mg to 6,900,552 Mg for composting and from 79,440 Mg to 2,357,924 Mg for anaerobic digestion).

Information on input waste to composting plants are published yearly by ISPRA since 1996, including data for 1993 and 1994 (ANPA, 1998; APAT-ONR, several years; ISPRA, several years), while for 1987 and 1995 only data on compost production are available (MATTM, several years [a]; AUSITRA-Assoambiente, 1995); on the basis of this information the whole time series has been reconstructed. Regarding anaerobic digestion, the same sources of information have been used to reconstruct the time series until 2004 while ISPRA publishes yearly more accurate data from 2005.

### 7.3.2 Methodological issues

#### Composting

The composting plants are classified in two different kinds: plants that treat a selected waste (food, market, garden waste, sewage sludge and other organic waste, mainly from the agro-food industry); and mechanical-biological treatment plants, where the unselected waste is treated to produce compost, refuse derived fuel (RDF), and a waste with selected characteristics suitable for landfilling or incinerating systems.

It is assumed that 100% of the input waste to the composting plants from selected waste is treated as compost, while in mechanical-biological treatment plants 30% of the input waste is treated as compost on the basis of national studies and references (Favoino and Cortellini, 2001; Favoino and Girò, 2001).

In previous submissions, literature data (Hogg, 2001) have been used for the emission factor, 0.029 g CH<sub>4</sub> kg<sup>-1</sup> treated waste, corresponding to the minimum of the range proposed by 2006 IPCC Guidelines on a wet weight basis. This choice has been taken because in the 2006 IPCC Guidelines the default value (4 g CH<sub>4</sub>/kg waste treated) is clearly shifted towards high values because most of world plants does not use advanced technologies.

The majority of references reported in Table 4.1 of 2006 IPCC Guidelines that have found high emission factors referred to composting time of 10-14 months, low turning frequency and no aeration system. In Italy, almost all of the plants are industrial plants (216/279 >1000 Mg/year in 2014), with enclosed areas for rotting and decomposition served by biofilters, turning when needed (to maintain the right porosity) and, above all, forced ventilation or suction system. Following the discussion started during the effort sharing decision review (EU, 2016) a specific survey on methane emission factor from composting and the relationship with technologies and management practices has been conducted (ISPRA, 2017) resulting in a new emission factor equal to 0.65 kg CH<sub>4</sub>/Mg waste treated on a wet weight basis. As reported in the IPCC Guidelines, Table 4.1, the emission factors for dry waste are estimated from those for wet waste assuming a moisture content of 60% in wet waste.

NMVOC emissions have also been estimated: emission factor (51 g NMVOC kg<sup>-1</sup> treated waste) is from international scientific literature too (Finn and Spencer, 1997). In Table 7.16 and in Figure 7.5, activity data expressed in wet weight, CH<sub>4</sub>, N<sub>2</sub>O and NMVOC emissions are reported.

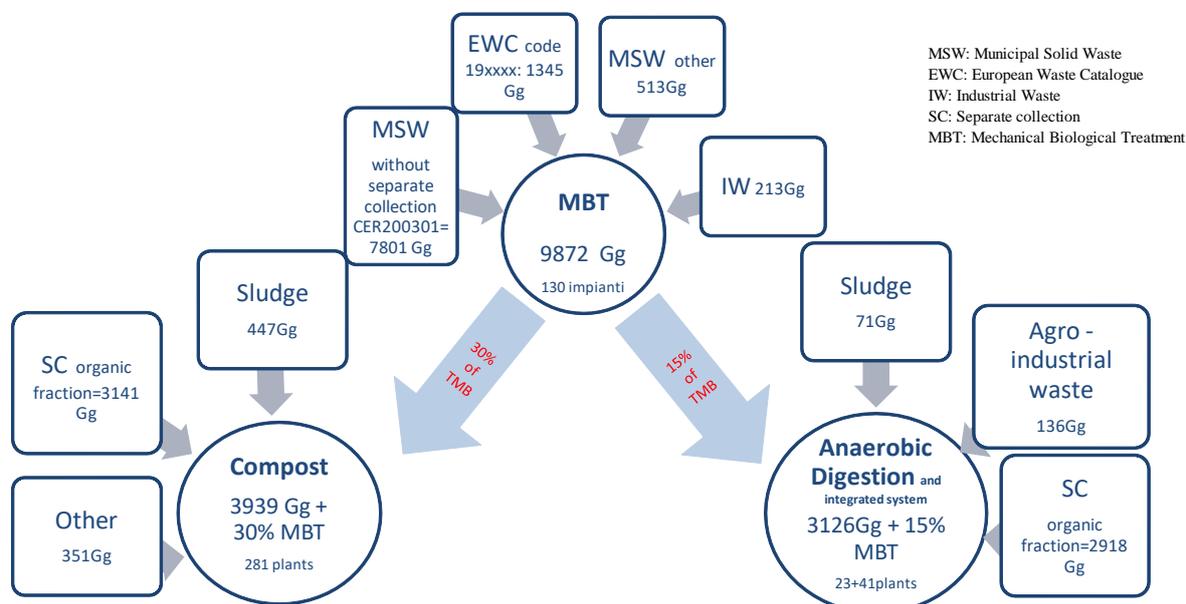
### Anaerobic digestion

The anaerobic digestion plants too are subdivided in the same two different kinds: plants that treat a selected waste and mechanical-biological treatment plants.

It is assumed that 100% of the input waste to the plants from selected waste is treated as anaerobic digestion, while in mechanical-biological treatment plants 15% of the input waste is considered as anaerobically digested. The default IPCC 2006 emission factor has been used. Since the plants are closed systems, emissions are related to the possibility of gas leaks estimated in 5 % of potential emissions.

**Table 7.16 CH<sub>4</sub>, N<sub>2</sub>O and NMVOC emissions from biological treatment of solid waste, 1990 – 2019**

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
<b>Activity data</b>										
Amount of waste to composting process (Gg ww)	283.88	657.22	2,834.31	5,550.89	7,030.81	7,288.30	7,414.86	7,302.93	7,192.29	6,900.55
Amount of waste to composting process (Gg dw)	113.55	262.89	1,133.72	2,220.36	2,812.32	2,915.32	2,965.94	2,921.17	2,876.91	2,760.22
Amount of waste to anaerobic digestion (Gg ww)	79.44	127.43	467.80	1,407.20	1,976.36	2,303.17	2,330.25	2,422.17	2,385.20	2,357.92
Amount of waste to anaerobic digestion (Gg dw)	31.78	50.97	187.12	562.88	790.54	921.27	932.10	968.87	954.08	943.17
<b>CH<sub>4</sub></b>										
Compost production (Gg)	0.185	0.427	1.842	3.608	4.570	4.737	4.820	4.747	4.675	4.485
Anaerobic digestion (Gg)	0.003	0.005	0.019	0.056	0.079	0.092	0.093	0.097	0.095	0.094
<b>N<sub>2</sub>O</b>										
Compost production (Gg)	0.068	0.158	0.680	1.332	1.687	1.749	1.780	1.753	1.726	1.656
<b>NMVOC</b>										
Compost production (Gg)	0.014	0.033	0.144	0.282	0.357	0.370	0.377	0.371	0.365	0.351



**Figure 7.5 Waste treated in compost and anaerobic plants in 2019**

### 7.3.3 Uncertainty and time-series consistency

The uncertainty in CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from biological treatment of waste is estimated to be about 100% in annual emissions, 20% and 100% concerning activity data and emission factors respectively. The uncertainty in N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from biological treatment of waste is estimated to be about 100% in annual emissions, 20% and 100% concerning activity data and emission factors, respectively.

### 7.3.4 Source-specific QA/QC and verification

This source category is covered by the general QA/QC procedures. Moreover, as concerns composting, an in depth survey has been conducted in 2017 investigating literature and plant data. Results are reported in (ISPRA, 2017).

### 7.3.5 Source-specific recalculations

No recalculations occur.

**Table 7.17 CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O recalculations for biological treatment of solid waste, 1990 – 2018**

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018
<b>CH<sub>4</sub></b>									
Compost production (Gg)	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Anaerobic digestion (Gg)	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
<b>N<sub>2</sub>O</b>									
Compost production (Gg)	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%

### 7.3.6 Source-specific planned improvements

Anaerobic digestion of solid waste is under investigation to collect more information about technologies and emission factors.

## 7.4 Waste incineration (5C)

### 7.4.1 Source category description

Existing incinerators in Italy are used for the disposal of municipal waste, together with some industrial waste, sanitary waste and sewage sludge for which the incineration plant has been authorized by the competent authority. Other incineration plants are used exclusively for industrial and sanitary waste, both hazardous and not, and for the combustion of waste oils, whereas there are few plants where residual waste from waste treatments, as well as sewage sludge, are treated. Since 2007, the activity of co-incineration in industrial plants, especially to produce wooden furniture, has increased significantly, resulting in an increase of the relevant emissions related to the proportion of waste burned.

Emissions from incineration of human bodies in crematoria have been estimated too.

As mentioned above, emissions from waste incineration facilities with energy recovery are reported under category 1A4a (Combustion activity, commercial/institutional sector, see Table 7.11) in the “Other fuel” and “Biomass” sub category for the fossil and biomass fraction of wastes, respectively, whereas emissions from other types of waste incineration facilities are reported under category 5C (Waste incineration). For 2019, about 99% of the total amount of waste incinerated is treated in plants with energy recovery system.

A complete database of the incineration plants is now available, updated with the information reported in the yearly report on waste production and management published by ISPRA (APAT-ONR, several years; ISPRA, several years).

Emissions from removable residues from agricultural production are included in the IPCC category 5C: the total residues amount and carbon content have been estimated by both IPCC and national factors. The detailed methodology is reported in Chapter 5 (5.6.2).

CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from biogenic, plastic and other non-biogenic wastes have been calculated.

### 7.4.2 Methodological issues

Regarding GHG emissions from incinerators, the methodology reported in the IPCC Good Practice Guidance (IPCC, 2000) has been applied, combined with that reported in the CORINAIR Guidebook (EMEP/CORINAIR, 2007; EMEP/EEA, 2009; EMEP/EEA, 2019). A single emission factor for each pollutant has been used combined with plant specific waste activity data. Since 2010, NO<sub>x</sub>, SO<sub>2</sub> and CO emission factors for urban waste incinerators have been updated on the basis of data provided by plants (ENEA-federAmbiente, 2012; De Stefanis P., 2012).

As regard incineration plants, emissions have been calculated for each type of waste: municipal, industrial, hospital, sewage sludge and waste oils.

A complete database of these plants has been built, on the basis of various sources available for the period of the entire time series, extrapolating data for the years for which no information was available (MATTM, several years [a]; ANPA-ONR, 1999 [a] and [b]; APAT, 2002; APAT-ONR, several years; AUSITRA-Assoambiente, 1995; Morselli, 1998; FEDERAMBIENTE, 1998; FEDERAMBIENTE, 2001; AMA-Comune di Roma, 1996; ENI S.p.A., 2001; COOU, several years; Fondazione per lo sviluppo sostenibile e FISE UNIRE, 2016).

For each plant a lot of information is reported, among which the year of the construction and possible upgrade, the typology of combustion chamber and gas treatment section, if it is provided with energy recovery (thermal or electric), and the type and amount of waste incinerated (municipal, industrial, etc.).

Different procedures were used to estimate emission factors, according to the data available for each type of waste, except CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emission factor that is derived from EMEP Corinair (EMEP/CORINAIR, 2007). Specifically:

- 1 for municipal waste, emission data from a large sample of Italian incinerators were used (FEDERAMBIENTE, 1998; ENEA-federAmbiente, 2012);
- 2 for industrial waste and waste oil, emission factors have been estimated on the basis of the allowed levels authorized by the Ministerial Decree 19 November 1997, n. 503 of the Ministry of Environment;
- 3 for hospital waste, which is usually disposed of alongside municipal waste, the emission factors used for industrial waste were also applied;
- 4 for sewage sludge, in absence of specific data, reference was made to the emission limits prescribed by the Guidelines for the authorisation of existing plants issued on the Ministerial Decree 12 July 1990.

In Table 7.18, emission factors are reported in kg per tons of waste treated, for municipal, industrial, hospital waste, waste oils and sewage sludge.

**Table 7.18 Waste incineration emission factors**

POLLUTANT/WASTE TYPOLOGY	NMVOC (kg/t)	CO (kg/t)	CO <sub>2</sub> fossil (kg/t)	N <sub>2</sub> O (kg/t)	NO <sub>x</sub> (kg/t)	SO <sub>2</sub> (kg/t)	CH <sub>4</sub> (kg/t)
<b>Municipal waste 1990 - 2009</b>	0.46	0.07	295.17	0.1	1.15	0.39	0.06
<b>Municipal waste since 2010</b>	0.46	0.07	467.50	0.1	0.62	0.02	0.06
<b>Hospital waste</b>	7.4	0.075	1200	0.1	0.604	0.026	0.06
<b>Sewage sludge</b>	0.25	0.6	0	0.227	3	1.8	0.06
<b>Waste oils</b>	7.4	0.075	3000.59	0.1	2	1.28	0.06
<b>Industrial waste</b>	7.4	0.56	1200	0.1	2	1.28	0.06

Here below (Tables 7.19, 7.20, 7.21, 7.22), details about data and calculation of specific emission factors are reported. Emission factors have been estimated on the basis of a study conducted by ENEA (De Stefanis, 1999), based on emission data from a large sample of Italian incinerators (FEDERAMBIENTE, 1998; AMA-Comune di Roma, 1996), legal thresholds (Ministerial Decree 19 November 1997, n. 503 of the Ministry of Environment; Ministerial Decree 12 July 1990), the last study conducted by ENEA and federAmbiente (ENEA-federAmbiente, 2012) and expert judgements.

The CO<sub>2</sub> implied emission factor for waste incineration varies annually and depends on the fossil carbon fraction in line with the variation of waste composition that varies yearly on the basis of the amount of annual municipal, industrial and hospital waste and the quantity of sewage sludge to burn.

In details, from 1990 to 2009 CO<sub>2</sub> emission factor for municipal waste has been calculated considering a carbon content equal to 23%; moreover, on the basis of the IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006) and referring to the average content analysis on a national scale (De Stefanis P., 2002), a distinction was made between CO<sub>2</sub> from fossil fuels (generally plastics) and CO<sub>2</sub> from renewable organic sources (paper, wood, other organic materials). Only emissions from fossil fuels, which are equivalent to 35% for municipal waste, were included in the inventory. In the last submissions, further improvement have been carried out; with the aim to upgrade the C content in municipal waste an analysis on waste composition in recent years has been conducted resulting in a carbon content for municipal waste equal to 25.5% (ISPRA, 2010) and a subdivision between fossil and renewable fuels equal to 50-50%. These updates have been applied starting from 2010. Regarding the other waste components, C in sludge is considered completely organic, while C in industrial and hospital waste are considered completely fossil carbon according to the national definitions of these type of wastes. Mortal

remains are not part of hospital waste but are included in the activity data used to estimate emissions from crematories; C in this case is considered completely organic. CO<sub>2</sub> emission factor for industrial, oils and hospital waste has been derived as the average of values of investigated industrial plants.

On the other hand, CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from the incineration of sewage sludge were not included at all, while all emissions relating to the incineration of hospital and industrial waste were considered.

In this way, the resulting CO<sub>2</sub> emission factor for waste incineration varies in line with the variations of waste composition as can be seen in table 5.C of the CRF tables.

In Table 7.23 activity data are reported by type of waste.

**Table 7.19 Municipal waste emission factors**

MUNICIPAL WASTE	Average concentration values (mg/Nm <sup>3</sup> )		Standard specific flue gas volume (Nm <sup>3</sup> /KgMSW)		E.F. (g/Mg)	
	1990-2009	2010-	1990-2009	2010-	1990-2009	2010-
SO <sub>2</sub>	78.00	2.17	5	6.7	390	18
NO <sub>x</sub>	230.00	97.08			1,150	621
CO	14.00	12.30			70	73
N <sub>2</sub> O					100	100
CH <sub>4</sub>					59.80	59.80
NMVOG					460.46	460.46
C content, % weight	23	25.5				
CO <sub>2</sub>					843.3 (kg/Mg)	935.4(kg/Mg)

**Table 7.20 Industrial waste and oils emission factors**

INDUSTRIAL AND OIL WASTE	Average concentration values (mg/Nm <sup>3</sup> )	Standard specific flue gas volume (Nm <sup>3</sup> /KgMSW)	E.F. (g/t)
SO <sub>2</sub>	160.00	8	1,280
NO <sub>x</sub>	250.00		2,000
CO	70.00		560
N <sub>2</sub> O			100
CH <sub>4</sub>			59.80
NMVOG			7,400
CO <sub>2</sub>			1,200 (kg/t)

**Table 7.21 Hospital waste emission factors**

HOSPITAL WASTE	Average concentration values (mg/Nm <sup>3</sup> )	Standard specific flue gas volume (Nm <sup>3</sup> /KgMSW)	E.F. (g/t)
SO <sub>2</sub>	3.24	8	26
NO <sub>x</sub>	75.45		604
CO	9.43		75
N <sub>2</sub> O			100
CH <sub>4</sub>			59.80
NMVOG			7,400
CO <sub>2</sub>			1,200 (kg/t)

**Table 7.22 Sewage sludge emission factors**

SEWAGE SLUDGE	Average concentration values (mg/Nm <sup>3</sup> )	Standard specific flue gas volume (Nm <sup>3</sup> /KgMSW)	E.F. (g/t)
SO <sub>2</sub>	300	6	1,800
NO <sub>x</sub>	500		3,000
CO	100		600
N <sub>2</sub> O			100
CH <sub>4</sub>			59.80
NMVOG			251.16
CO <sub>2</sub>			700 (kg/t)

**Table 7.23 Amount of waste incinerated by type, 1990 – 2019 (Gg)**

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
<b>Total Waste incinerated</b>	1,656	2,149	3,062	4,964	6,977	7,535	7,588	7,477	7,726	7,753
- with energy recovery	911	1,558	2,750	4,721	6,796	7,431	7,501	7,386	7,665	7,685
- without energy recovery	745	591	312	244	181	103	87	91	61	68
Total Waste incinerated - Carbon content (Gg)	439	560	773	1,309	1,970	2,123	2,161	2,132	2,195	2,217
<b>MSW incinerated</b>	1,026	1,437	2,325	3,220	4,337	4,698	4,454	4,325	4,577	4,395
- with energy recovery	626	1,185	2,161	3,168	4,284	4,698	4,454	4,325	4,577	4,395
- without energy recovery	399	251	164	52	53	0	0	0	0	0
MSW incinerated - Carbon content (Gg)	236	330	535	741	1,106	1,199	1,136	1,103	1,168	1,121
<b>Industrial Waste incinerated</b>										
<b>Other waste</b>	473	536	604	1,602	2,499	2,709	3,024	3,033	3,020	3,221
- with energy recovery	258	330	508	1,446	2,399	2,676	2,988	2,999	2,996	3,195
- without energy recovery	215	206	96	155	100	33	36	34	25	25
Other waste - Carbon content (Gg)	155	175	198	524	818	887	990	993	988	1,054
<b>Hospital waste</b>	134	152	110	126	135	102	105	100	108	111
- with energy recovery	25	41	77	106	113	57	59	62	91	95
- without energy recovery	109	111	34	21	23	45	46	38	16	17
Hospital waste- Carbon content (Gg)	44	50	36	41	44	33	34	33	35	36
<b>Sludge</b>	20.72	23.18	21.50	15.60	5.98	25.10	4.97	18.39	20.49	26.05
- with energy recovery	0.00	0.00	3.40	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
- without energy recovery	20.72	23.18	18.11	15.60	5.98	25.10	4.97	18.39	20.49	26.05
Sludge - Carbon content (Gg)	3.96	4.43	4.10	2.98	1.14	4.79	0.95	3.51	3.91	4.97
<b>Waste oil</b>	2.66	1.41	0.82	0.67	0.18	0.46	0.27	0.30	0.42	0.23
- with energy recovery	1.77	0.94	0.55	0.54	0.18	0.46	0.27	0.30	0.42	0.23
- without energy recovery	0.89	0.47	0.27	0.12	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Waste oil - Carbon content (Gg)	0.87	0.46	0.27	0.22	0.06	0.15	0.09	0.10	0.14	0.07

CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from agriculture residues removed, collected and burnt 'off-site', as a way to reduce the amount of waste residues, are reported in the waste incineration sub-sector.

Removable residues from agriculture production are estimated for each crop type (cereal, green crop, permanent cultivation) taking into account the amount of crop produced, the ratio of removable residue in the crop, the dry matter content of removable residue, the ratio of removable residue burned, the fraction of residues oxidised in burning, the carbon and nitrogen content of the residues. Most of these wastes refer especially to pruning of olives and wine, because of the typical national cultivation.

Emissions due to stubble burning, which are emissions only from the agriculture residues burned on field, are reported in the agriculture sector, under 3.F, more info is also reported in the Annex 7. Under the waste sector the burning of removable agriculture residues that are collected and could be managed in different ways (disposed in landfills, used to produce compost or used to produce energy) is reported.

Different percentages of the removable agriculture residue burnt for different residues are assumed, varying from 10% to 90%, according to national and international literature. Moreover, these removable wastes are assumed to be all burned in open air (e.g. on field) taking in consideration the higher (without abatement) available CO, NMVOC, PM, PAH and dioxins emission factors. The amount of these wastes treated differently is not supplied, but they are included in the respective sectors (landfill, composting, biogas production for energy purposes, etc.).

The methodology is the same used to calculate emissions from residues burned on fields, in the category 3F, described in detail in Chapter 5.

On the basis of carbon and nitrogen content of the residues, CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions have been calculated, both accounting nearly for 100% of the whole emissions from waste incineration. CO<sub>2</sub> emissions have been calculated but not included in the inventory as biomass. All these parameters refer both to the IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006) and country-specific values (CESTAAT, 1988; Borgioli, 1981).

The amount of biomass from pruning used for domestic heating is reported in the energy sector in the 1A4b category as biomass fuel.

As recommended during the 2019 UNFCCC review, to enhance transparency on the total amount of crop residues generated and shares of the crop residue amounts used for different purposes (such as bedding material (3.D.a.2.a), left on fields (3.D.a.4), burnt on-site (3.F) and off-site (1.A, 5.C.2)), a flow-chart is reported in Annex 7, in Figure A.7.1.

As regard incineration of corpses in crematoria, activity data have been supplied by a specific branch of Federutility, which is the federation of energy and water companies (SEFIT, several years).

In Table 7.24 time series of cremation as well as annual deaths and crematoria in Italy are reported.

**Table 7.24 Cremation time series (activity data), 1990 – 2019**

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
<b>Cremations (no. of corpses)</b>	5,809	15,436	30,167	48,196	77,379	137,168	141,555	170,903	183,146	194,669
<b>Deaths (no. of corpses)</b>	543,700	555,203	560,241	567,304	587,488	653,000	615,261	649,061	633,133	647,000
<b>Mortal remains (no.)</b>	1,000	1,750	1,779	9,880	18,899	34,178	36,608	36,425	37,538	38,305
<b>Cremation percentage</b>	1.07	2.78	5.38	8.50	13.17	21.01	23.01	26.33	28.93	30.09
<b>Crematoria (no.)</b>	NA	31	35	43	53	70	75	79	83	85

The major emissions from crematoria are nitrogen oxides, carbon monoxide, sulphur dioxide, particulate matter, mercury, hydrogen fluoride (HF), hydrogen chloride (HCl), NMVOCs, other heavy metals, and some POPs.

In Table 7.25 emission factors for cremation are reported; all emission factors are from (SEFIT, 2015) except for CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O, assumed equal to MSW emission factor because values were not available. CO<sub>2</sub> emissions have been not calculated for the inventory as human body is ‘biomass’.

**Table 7.25 Cremation emission factors**

<b>POLLUTANT/WASTE TYPOLOGY</b>	<b>NMVOC (kg/body)</b>	<b>CO (kg/body)</b>	<b>N<sub>2</sub>O (kg/t)</b>	<b>NO<sub>x</sub> (kg/body)</b>	<b>SO<sub>2</sub> (kg/body)</b>	<b>CH<sub>4</sub> (kg/t)</b>
<b>Cremation</b>	0.009	0.04	0.1	0.424	0.023	0.06

In the 2020 submission, CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from open burning of waste have been considered. Open burning of waste is forbidden in Italy but sometimes it illegally occurs. Estimates are based on 2006 IPCC Guidelines, in particular the paragraph 5.3.2 to define the amount of waste open burned using data about population, the fraction of “rural people”, the per capita waste production and estimating the rate of the waste amount that is burned relative to the total amount of waste treated on the bases of recent national data (Bfrac=0.4%). In the following table activity data and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions have been reported.

**Table 7.26 Open burning of waste time series, 1990 – 2019**

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Pfrac	9.4%	9.4%	9.0%	9.0%	9.0%	9.0%	9.0%	9.0%	9.0%	9.4%
Bfrac	0.4%	0.4%	0.4%	0.4%	0.4%	0.4%	0.4%	0.4%	0.4%	0.4%
MSW <sub>B</sub> (Gg)	8.36	9.69	10.43	11.40	10.63	10.84	10.65	10.86	10.83	8.36
CO <sub>2</sub> (Gg) fossil	2.47	2.86	3.08	3.36	4.97	5.07	4.98	5.08	5.06	2.47
CO <sub>2</sub> (Gg) organic	4.58	5.31	5.71	6.25	4.97	5.07	4.98	5.08	5.06	4.58

### 7.4.3 Uncertainty and time-series consistency

The combined uncertainty in emissions from waste incineration is estimated to be about 22.4%, 10% and 20% for activity data and emission factors respectively.

The time series of activity data, distinguished in Municipal Solid Waste and other (including cremation), is shown in Table 7.27; CO<sub>2</sub> emission trends for each type of waste category are reported in Table 7.28, both for plants without energy recovery, reported under 5C, and plants with energy recovery, reported under 1A4a. In Table 7.29 N<sub>2</sub>O and CH<sub>4</sub> emissions are summarized, including those from open burning and cremation.

In the period 1990-2019, total CO<sub>2</sub> emissions have increased by 483%, but whereas emissions from plants with energy recovery have increased by nearly 1033%, emissions from plants without energy recovery decreased by 90% (Table 7.27). While CO<sub>2</sub> emission trend reported in 5C is influenced by the amount of waste incinerated in plant without energy recovery, CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emission trend are related to the open burning, as already reported above.

**Table 7.27 Waste incineration activity data, 1990 – 2019 (Gg)**

Activity Data	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
MSW Production (Gg)	22,231	25,780	28,959	31,664	32,479	29,524	30,112	29,572	30,158	30,079
MSW Incinerated (%)	4.6%	5.6%	8.0%	10.2%	13.4%	15.9%	14.8%	14.6%	15.2%	14.6%
- in energy recovery plants	2.8%	4.6%	7.5%	10.0%	13.2%	15.9%	14.8%	14.6%	15.2%	14.6%
MSW to incineration (Gg)	1,026	1,437	2,325	3,220	4,337	4,698	4,454	4,325	4,577	4,395
Industrial, Sanitary, Sewage Sludge and Waste Oil to incineration (Gg)	631	712	737	1,744	2,640	2,836	3,134	3,152	3,149	3,358
Cremation (no. of corpses)	5,809	15,436	30,167	48,196	77,379	137,168	141,555	170,903	183,146	194,669
<b>Total Waste to incineration, excluding cremation (5C and 1A4a) (Gg)</b>	<b>1,656</b>	<b>2,149</b>	<b>3,062</b>	<b>4,964</b>	<b>6,977</b>	<b>7,535</b>	<b>7,588</b>	<b>7,477</b>	<b>7,726</b>	<b>7,753</b>

**Table 7.28 CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from waste incineration (without and with energy recovery), 1990 – 2019 (Gg)**

CO <sub>2</sub> Emissions	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Incineration of domestic or municipal wastes (Gg)	117.83	74.12	48.26	15.32	24.74	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Incineration of industrial wastes (except flaring) (Gg)	257.99	247.11	115.74	186.50	119.88	40.19	43.39	41.32	29.49	30.49
Incineration of hospital wastes (Gg)	131.07	132.73	40.36	24.61	27.12	53.57	54.65	45.79	19.28	19.92
Incineration of waste oil (Gg)	2.66	1.41	0.82	0.36	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Incineration of corpses	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
<b>Waste incineration (5C) (Gg)</b>	<b>510</b>	<b>455</b>	<b>205</b>	<b>227</b>	<b>172</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>50</b>
Waste incineration reported under 1A4a (Gg) – not biomass	530	798	1,341	2,799	5,017	5,477	5,739	5,696	5,846	6,004

<b>CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions</b>	<b>1990</b>	<b>1995</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>
Waste incineration reported under 1A4a (Gg) - biomass	343	650	1,185	1,737	2,003	2,196	2,082	2,022	2,140	2,055
<b>Total waste incineration – fossil (Gg)</b>	<b>1,039</b>	<b>1,254</b>	<b>1,546</b>	<b>3,026</b>	<b>5,189</b>	<b>5,571</b>	<b>5,837</b>	<b>5,783</b>	<b>5,894</b>	<b>6,055</b>

**Table 7.29 N<sub>2</sub>O and CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from waste incineration (cremation and open burning included), 1990 – 2019 (Gg)**

<b>GAS/SUBSOURCE</b>	<b>1990</b>	<b>1995</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>
<b><u>N<sub>2</sub>O</u> (Gg)</b>										
Waste incineration (5C)	0.12	0.12	0.09	0.09	0.08	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.06	0.06
MSW incineration reported under 1A4a – not biomass	0.05	0.08	0.13	0.27	0.47	0.51	0.53	0.52	0.54	0.55
MSW incineration reported under 1A4a – biomass	0.04	0.08	0.14	0.21	0.21	0.23	0.22	0.22	0.23	0.22
<b><u>CH<sub>4</sub></u> (Gg)</b>										
Waste incineration (5C)	2.00	2.32	2.23	2.46	2.33	2.32	2.41	2.26	2.19	2.18
MSW incineration reported under 1A4a – not biomass	0.03	0.05	0.08	0.16	0.28	0.30	0.32	0.31	0.32	0.33
MSW incineration reported under 1A4a – biomass	0.02	0.05	0.08	0.12	0.13	0.14	0.13	0.13	0.14	0.13

#### **7.4.4 Source-specific QA/QC and verification**

Several verifications were carried out on the basis of the analysis of documentation supplied in the framework of IPPC permits and of environmental reports.

#### **7.4.5 Source-specific recalculations**

Recalculations occur since 2016 because of update of activity data.

**Table 7.30 Differences in percentages between time series reported in the updated time series and 2020 submission**

<b>GAS/SUBSOURCE</b>	<b>1990</b>	<b>1995</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>
<b><u>CO<sub>2</sub></u> (Gg)</b>									
Waste incineration (5C)	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	-43.55%
MSW incineration reported under 1A4a - fossil	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	-0.06%	-0.15%	0.44%
<b><u>N<sub>2</sub>O</u> (Gg)</b>									
Waste incineration (5C)	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.08%	-3.41%
MSW incineration reported under 1A4a - fossil	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	-0.05%	-0.13%	0.32%
<b><u>CH<sub>4</sub></u> (Gg)</b>									
Waste incineration (5C)	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.09%	0.67%
MSW incineration reported under 1A4a - fossil	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	-0.05%	-0.13%	0.32%

#### **7.4.6 Source-specific planned improvements**

No further improvement are planned for the next submission.

## 7.5 Wastewater handling (5D)

### 7.5.1 Source category description

Under source category 5D, CH<sub>4</sub>, N<sub>2</sub>O and NMVOC are estimated both from domestic and industrial wastewater. The principal by-product of the anaerobic decomposition of the organic matter in wastewater is methane gas. Normally, CH<sub>4</sub> emissions are not encountered in untreated wastewater because even small amounts of oxygen tend to be toxic to the organisms responsible for the production of methane. Occasionally, however, as a result of anaerobic decay in accumulated bottom deposits, methane can be produced. Again, wastewater collected in closed underground sewers is not believed to be a significant source of CH<sub>4</sub> (IPCC, 2006).

In 2019, the 99.5% of population is served by sewer systems, whereas 87% of population is served by wastewater treatment plants (BLUE BOOK, several years; COVIRI, several years; ISTAT [d], [e], several years). In 1990, the percentage of population served by sewer system was 57%, whereas only 52% of population was served by wastewater treatment plants (BLUE BOOK, several years; COVIRI, several years; ISTAT [d], [e], several years).

In Italy, domestic wastewaters follow the treatment systems and discharge pathways reported in Figure 7.5, whereas in **brown** are enhanced CH<sub>4</sub> sources.

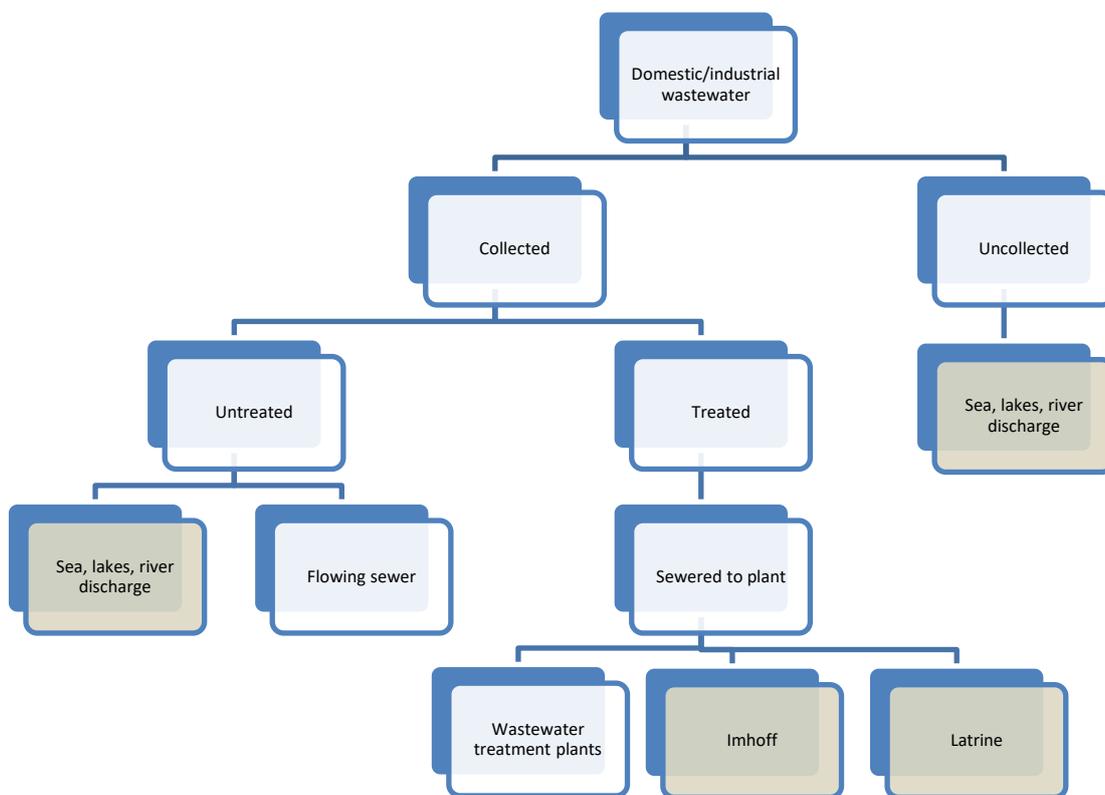


Figure 7.5 Domestic wastewater treatment system and discharge pathways

Methane is produced from the anaerobic treatment process used to stabilize wastewater sludge.

The plant typology is usually distinguished in 'primary' (only physical-chemical unit operations such as sedimentation), 'secondary' (biological unit process) or 'advanced' treatments, defined as those additional treatments needed to remove suspended and dissolved substances remaining after conventional secondary treatment.

In urban areas, wastewater handling is managed mainly using a secondary treatment, with aerobic biological units: a wastewater treatment plant standard design consists of bar racks, grit chamber, primary sedimentation, aeration tanks (with return sludge), settling tank, chlorine contact chamber. The stabilization of sludge occurs in aerobic or anaerobic reactors; where anaerobic digestion is used, the reactors are covered and provided of gas recovery.

On the contrary, in rural areas, wastewaters are treated in Imhoff tanks or in other on-site systems, such as latrines.

For high strength organic waste, such as some industrial wastewater, anaerobic process is recommended also for wastewater besides sludge treatment.

It is assumed that industrial wastewaters are treated 85% aerobically and 15% anaerobically (IRSA-CNR, 1998).

Emissions from methane recovered, used for energy purposes, in wastewater treatment plants are estimated and reported under category 1A4a, as reported in Table 7.11.

### 7.5.2 Methodological issues

#### Emissions from domestic wastewater – CH<sub>4</sub>

CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from domestic wastewater are estimated using a Tier 2 approach, according to new 2006 IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006).

The general equation used to estimate CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from domestic wastewater is:

$$\text{CH}_4 \text{ emissions} = [ \sum_{i,j} ( U_i * T_{i,j} * \text{EF}_j ) ] * (\text{TOW} - \text{S}) - \text{R} \text{ (kg CH}_4\text{/yr)}$$

where:

TOW = total organics in wastewater in inventory year (kg BOD/yr)

S = organic component removed as sludge in inventory year (kg BOD/yr)

U<sub>i</sub> = fraction of population in income group i in inventory year

T<sub>i,j</sub> = degree of utilisation of treatment/discharge pathway or system, j, for each income group fraction i in inventory year

i = income group: rural and urban high income (urban low income is not considered in national inventory, for the typical Italian urbanization)

j = each treatment/discharge pathway or system

EF<sub>j</sub> = emission factor (kg CH<sub>4</sub>/kg BOD)

R = amount of CH<sub>4</sub> recovered in inventory year (kg CH<sub>4</sub>/yr)

An in-depth analysis of national circumstances has been made, collecting many statistical data on population and on urban wastewater treatment plants (BLUE BOOK, several years; COVIRI, several years; ISTAT, 1984; ISTAT, 1987; ISTAT, 1991; ISTAT, 1993; ISTAT [a], [b], 1998; ISTAT [d], [e], several years).

Some data, such as the degree of collected or treated wastewater are available for specific year, so the entire time series has been reconstructed with interpolation of data.

In the following tables (7.31, 7.32, 7.33), domestic wastewater population data are reported.

**Table 7.31 Population data for domestic wastewater, 1990 – 2019 (\*1000)**

Population Activity Data	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Total Population	57,104	57,333	57,844	58,752	60,626	60,666	60,589	60,484	60,360	60,245
Urban high-income Population	53,272	53,623	54,255	55,330	57,280	57,440	57,388	57,307	57,207	57,116
Rural Population	3,831	3,710	3,589	3,422	3,347	3,225	3,201	3,177	3,153	3,129
Population served by collected wastewater systems (%)	57.0	69.8	86.0	83.0	90.1	99.4	99.4	99.5	99.5	99.5
Population served by wastewater treatment plants (%)	51.9	58.0	60.0	69.0	76.1	82.2	83.4	84.6	85.8	87.0

**Table 7.32 Urban high-income Population for domestic wastewater, 1990 – 2019 (\*1000)**

Urban high-income Population	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Population not served by collected wastewater systems	22,900	16,190	7,596	9,406	5,655	345	330	315	300	286

<b>Urban high-income Population</b>	<b>1990</b>	<b>1995</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>
Population served by collected wastewater systems	30,372	37,433	46,659	45,924	51,624	57,095	57,058	56,992	56,906	56,831
Pop. collected and treated	15,775	21,705	27,996	31,687	39,295	46,911	47,570	48,203	48,819	49,441
Pop. collected untreated	14,597	15,728	18,664	14,236	12,329	10,185	9,488	8,788	8,087	7,390
<i>sea/lake/river discharge</i>	8,758	9,437	11,198	8,542	7,398	6,111	5,693	5,273	4,852	4,434
<i>flowing sewer discharge</i>	5,839	6,291	7,465	5,695	4,932	4,074	3,795	3,515	3,235	2,956

**Table 7.33 Rural Population data for domestic wastewater, 1990 – 2019 (\*1000)**

<b>Rural Population</b>	<b>1990</b>	<b>1995</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>
Population not served by collected wastewater systems	1,647	1,120	502	582	330	19	18	17	17	16
Population served by collected wastewater systems	2,184	2,590	3,087	2,840	3,016	3,206	3,183	3,160	3,136	3,113
<i>Pop. treated in Imhoff tanks</i>	421	647	845	468	635	967	1,102	1,120	1,138	1,156
<i>Pop. treated in latrines</i>	1,763	1,943	2,242	2,373	2,381	2,239	2,081	2,040	1,998	1,957

The emission factor for a wastewater treatment and discharge pathway and system is a function of the maximum CH<sub>4</sub> production potential B<sub>0</sub> and the methane correction factor (MCF) for the wastewater treatment and discharge system, as indicated as following:

$$EF_j = B_0 * MCF_j$$

The default B<sub>0</sub> value (0.6 kg CH<sub>4</sub>/kg BOD) and default MCF values have been used.

<b>Type of treatment and discharge pathway or system</b>	<b>MCF</b>
<b>Untreated system</b>	
Sea, river and lake discharge	0.1
Flowing sewer	0
<b>Treated system</b>	
Centralized, aerobic treatment plants	0.05
Anaerobic digester for sludge	0.8
Imhoff tanks	0.5
Latrines	0.1

The total amount of organically degradable material in the wastewater is calculated from the human population and the BOD generation per person:

$$TOW = P * BOD * 0.001 * I * 365$$

where:

TOW = total organics in wastewater in inventory year (kg BOD/yr)

P = country population in inventory year (person)

BOD = country specific per capita BOD in inventory year (g/person/day)

0.001 = conversion from grams to kg BOD

I = correction factor for additional industrial BOD discharged into sewers (I = 1.25, IPCC 2006).

The organic load in biochemical oxygen demand per person is equal to 60 g BOD<sub>5</sub> capita<sup>-1</sup> d<sup>-1</sup>, as defined by national legislation and expert estimations (Legislative Decree 11 May 1999, no.152; Masotti, 1996; Metcalf and Eddy, 1991). In the following table 7.34, the total amount of organically degradable material expressed in tons, calculated for each treatment/discharge pathway or system is reported.

**Table 7.34 Total organically degradable material in domestic wastewater, 1990 – 2019 (t BOD)**

<b>TOW (t BOD)</b>	<b>1990</b>	<b>1995</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>
<b>Urban high-income Population</b>										

<b>TOW (t BOD)</b>	<b>1990</b>	<b>1995</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>
TOW uncollected wastewater	626,899	443,188	207,932	257,490	154,816	9,435	9,033	8,628	8,222	7,818
TOW wastewater treatment plant	431,834	594,178	766,379	867,439	1,075,701	1,284,176	1,302,222	1,319,567	1,336,423	1,353,448
TOW sludge	215,917	297,089	383,189	433,720	537,850	642,088	651,111	659,783	668,212	676,724
TOW untreated (sea/lake/river)	239,754	258,334	306,551	233,832	202,510	167,287	155,848	144,350	132,835	121,373
TOW untreated (flowing sewer)	159,836	172,223	204,368	155,888	135,007	111,525	103,899	96,233	88,556	80,915
<b>Rural Population</b>										
TOW uncollected wastewater	45,088	30,665	13,755	15,925	9,045	530	504	478	453	428
TOW Imhoff	11,535	17,705	23,129	12,799	17,378	26,467	30,156	30,653	31,149	31,646
TOW latrines	48,263	53,197	61,366	64,955	65,192	61,300	56,974	55,839	54,704	53,569

As previously reported, in Italy wastewater handling is managed mainly using a secondary treatment, with aerobic biological units. The stabilization of sludge occurs in aerobic or anaerobic reactors covered and provided of gas recovery. All the anaerobic digestion systems are equipped with systems to collect the methane produced. The methane collected is partly flared and partly used for energy purposes. The total methane recovered is estimated on the basis of the methane production and the efficiency of captation. Where anaerobic digestion of sludge is used, the reactors are covered and provided of gas recovery and the efficiency of captation is equal to 100%.

CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from sludge have been subtracted from the total amount of CH<sub>4</sub> produced, because emissions from sludge from wastewater treatment are considered in landfills, agricultural soils and incineration.

Moreover, CH<sub>4</sub> recovery has been distinguished between flaring and CH<sub>4</sub> recovery for energy generation, which has been reported in the Energy Sector.

### **Emissions from domestic wastewater –N<sub>2</sub>O**

Nitrous oxide (N<sub>2</sub>O) emissions can occur as direct and indirect emissions. Direct emissions occur from nitrification and denitrification in wastewater treatment plants, whereas indirect emissions are those from wastewater after disposal of effluent into waterways, lakes or sea.

Emissions from advanced centralised wastewater treatment plants are typically much smaller than those from effluent and are estimated using the method reported in Box 6.1 of the Volume 5, Chapter 6 of new 2006 IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006).

#### *Direct emissions*

$$N_2O_{PLANTS} = P * T_{PLANT} * F_{IND-COM} * EF_{PLANT}$$

where:

N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>PLANTS</sub> = total N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from plants in inventory year (kg N<sub>2</sub>O/yr)

P = human population

T<sub>PLANT</sub> = degree of utilization of modern, centralised wastewater treatment plants (%)

F<sub>IND-COM</sub> = fraction of industrial and commercial co-discharged protein (default = 1.25)

EF<sub>PLANT</sub> = emission factor, 3.2 g N<sub>2</sub>O/person/year

#### *Indirect emissions*

$$N_2O_{EMISSIONS} = N_{EFFLUENT} * EF_{EFFLUENT} * 44/28$$

where:

N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>EMISSIONS</sub> = N<sub>2</sub>O emissions in inventory year (kg N<sub>2</sub>O/yr)

N<sub>EFFLUENT</sub> = nitrogen in the effluent discharged to aquatic environments (kg N/yr)

EF<sub>EFFLUENT</sub> = emission factor for N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from discharged to wastewater assumed equal to 0.005 (kg N<sub>2</sub>O-N/kg N)

Moreover:

$$N_{EFFLUENT} = N_{EFFLUENT\ TOT} - N_{SLUDGE} = (P * Protein * F_{NPR} * F_{NON-CON} * F_{IND-COM}) - N_{SLUDGE}$$

where:

$N_{\text{EFFLUENT}}$  = nitrogen in the effluent discharged to aquatic environments (kg N/yr)

$P$  = human population

Protein = annual per capita protein consumption (kg/person/yr)

$F_{\text{NPR}}$  = fraction of nitrogen in protein (default = 0.16 kg N/kg protein)

$F_{\text{NON-COM}}$  = fraction of non consumed protein added to the wastewater

$F_{\text{IND-COM}}$  = fraction of industrial and commercial co-discharged protein (default = 1.25)

$N_{\text{SLUDGE}}$  = nitrogen removed with sludge (kg N/yr)

The time series of the protein intake is from the yearly FAO Food Balance (FAO, several years) and refers to the Italian value. The estimation procedure checks for consistency with sludge produced and sludge applications, as sludge applied to agriculture soils, sludge incinerated, sludge composting and sludge deposited in solid waste disposal. Sludge spreading is subtracted from nitrogen in the effluent discharged to aquatic environments and is not accounted for twice.

For the parameter  $F_{\text{NON-COM}}$  the value of 1.1 it is assumed, because, even if Italy is a developed country, garbage disposals of food that is not consumed and may be washed down the drain are not used.

#### Emissions from industrial wastewater – CH<sub>4</sub>

The methane estimation concerning industrial wastewaters makes use of the IPCC method based on wastewater output and the respective degradable organic carbon for each major industrial wastewater source. Default emission factors of methane per Chemical Oxygen Demand (COD) equal to 0.25 kg CH<sub>4</sub> kg<sup>-1</sup> COD, suggested in the 2006 IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006), has been used for the whole time series.

It is assumed that industrial wastewaters are treated 85% aerobically and 15% anaerobically (IRSA-CNR, 1998).

Data have been collected for several industrial sectors (iron and steel, refineries, organic chemicals, food and beverage, paper and pulp, textiles and leather industry). The total amount of organic material, for each industry selected, has been calculated multiplying the annual production (t year<sup>-1</sup>) by the amount of wastewater consumption per unit of product (m<sup>3</sup> t<sup>-1</sup>) and by the degradable organic component (kg COD (m<sup>3</sup>)<sup>-1</sup>). Moreover, the fraction of industrial degradable organic component removed as sludge has been assumed equal to zero. The yearly industrial productions are reported in the national statistics (ISTAT, several years [a], [b] and [c]), whereas the wastewater consumption factors and the degradable organic component are either from 2006 IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006) or from national references. National data have been used in the calculation of the total amount of both COD produced and wastewater output specified as follows: refineries (UP, several years), organic chemicals (FEDERCHIMICA, several years), beer (Assobirra, several years), wine, milk and sugar sectors (ANPA-ONR, 2001), pulp and paper sector (ANPA-FLORYS, 2001; Assocarta, several years), and leather sector (ANPA-FLORYS, 2000; UNIC, several years).

In Table 7.35 detailed references for 2019 are reported: for these national data, slightly differences within the years can occur.

#### Emissions from industrial wastewater – N<sub>2</sub>O

N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from industrial wastewater have been estimated on the basis of the emission factors equal to 0.25 g N<sub>2</sub>O/m<sup>3</sup> of wastewater production (EMEP/CORINAIR, 2007). EMEP/EEA Guidelines, after 2007 version, does not report any N<sub>2</sub>O E.F but, about the methodology to estimate N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from industrial wastewater, they refer to 2006 IPCC Guidelines. In 2006 IPCC Guidelines it is written that industrial wastewater may be treated on site or released into domestic wastewater. In the national inventory, the fraction of industrial wastewater relased into domestic wastewater it is estimated because of the parameter  $F_{\text{IND-COM}}$ . For the fraction treated on site 0.25 g N<sub>2</sub>O/m<sup>3</sup> has been applied to the volume of wastewater generated for type of industry.

The wastewater production is resulting from the model for the estimation of methane emissions from industrial wastewater.

**Table 7.35 Wastewater generation and COD values, 2019.**

	Wastewater generation (m <sup>3</sup> /t)	References	COD (g/l)	References
Coke	1.5	IPCC, 2000	0.1	IPCC, 2000
Petroleum Refineries	UNIONE PETROLIFERA supplies Total COD generated per year			
Organic Chemicals	22.3	FEDERCHIMICA, several years	3	IPCC, 2000

	Wastewater generation (m <sup>3</sup> /t)	References	COD (g/l)	References
Paints	5.5	IPCC, 2000	5.5	IPCC, 2000
Plastics and Resins	0.6	IPCC, 2000	3.7	IPCC, 2000
Soap and Detergents	3	IPCC, 2000	0.9	IPCC, 2000
Vegetables, Fruits and Juices	20	IPCC, 2000	5.2	IPCC, 2000
Sugar Refining	4	ANPA-ONR, 2001	2.5	ANPA-ONR, 2001
Vegetable Oils	3.1	IPCC, 2000	1.2	IPCC, 2000
Dairy Products	3.87	ANPA-ONR, 2001	2.7	ANPA-ONR, 2001
Wine and Vinegar	3.8	ANPA-ONR, 2001	0.2	ANPA-ONR, 2001
Beer and Malt	4.2	Assobirra, several years	2.9	IPCC, 2000
Alcohol Refining	24	IPCC, 2000	11.0	IPCC, 2000
Meat and Poultry	13	IPCC, 2000	4.1	IPCC, 2000
Fish Processing	13	same value of Meat and Poultry	2.5	IPCC, 2000
Paper	25	Assocarta, several years	0.1	ANPA-FLORYS, 2001; Assocarta, several years
Pulp	25	Assocarta, several years	0.1	ANPA-FLORYS, 2001; Assocarta, several years
Textiles (dyeing)	60	IPCC, 1995	1.0	IPCC, 2000
Textiles (bleaching)	350	IPCC, 1995	1.0	IPCC, 2000
Leather	0.10	UNIC, several years	4.71	UNIC, several years

In the Table 7.36, N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from industrial wastewater are reported, together with the deriving nitrogen in effluent (kt N-N<sub>2</sub>O), that is reported in the CRF table 5.D. In the CRF Reporter GHG inventory software the table related to the category 5.D.2 requests, among the others, the N in effluent (kt) as well as the IEF (kg N<sub>2</sub>O-N/kg N); N in effluent is calculated with the following formula, assuming the default emission factor 0.25 kg N<sub>2</sub>O-N/kg N (IPCC, 2006):

$$N \text{ in effluent (kt)} = N_2O \text{ emissions (kt)} / IEF \text{ (kg N}_2\text{O-N/kg N)} * 28/44$$

As N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from industrial wastewater are estimated on the basis of the cubic meters of wastewater produced by a specific industry and the emission factor equal to 0.25 g N<sub>2</sub>O/m<sup>3</sup> (EMEP/CORINAIR, 2007), it was not possible to report this value in the CRF Reporter: consequently, we were forced to derive the N in effluent from the N<sub>2</sub>O emissions by multiplying for the conversion factor 28/44 and dividing for the IEF 0.25 kg N<sub>2</sub>O-N/kg N, the maximum for a cautelative reason.

**Table 7.36 N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from industrial wastewater, 1990 – 2019 (kt)**

N <sub>2</sub> O Emissions (t)	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
<b>Industrial wastewater</b>										
Industrial wastewater production (1000 m <sup>3</sup> )	908,840	928,479	920,614	867,085	717,846	659,246	696,608	691,463	708,427	697,554
EF (g/m <sup>3</sup> )	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25
N <sub>2</sub> O Emissions (kt N <sub>2</sub> O)	0.227	0.232	0.230	0.217	0.179	0.165	0.174	0.173	0.177	0.174
N in effluent (kt)	0.578	0.591	0.586	0.552	0.457	0.420	0.443	0.440	0.451	0.444

### Emissions from domestic and industrial wastewater – NMVOC

Emissions from NMVOC has been also estimated, both from domestic and industrial wastewaters, using a default emission factor derived from Guidebook published by the European Environmental Agency with the CLRTAP Task Force on Emission Inventories and Projections (EMEP/EEA, 2016).

In Table 7.37 NMVOC emissions from domestic and industrial wastewater are reported for the whole time series.

**Table 7.37 NMVOC emissions from domestic and industrial wastewater, 1990 – 2019 (kt)**

NMVOC Emissions (t)	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2017	2018	2019
<b>Domestic wastewater</b>									

NMVOE Emissions (t)	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2017	2018	2019
Equivalent inhabitants	46,435,617	60,015,346	65,600,590	73,426,011	76,847,364	75,238,909	86,899,080	88,307,315	89,715,550
Domestic wastewaters production (1000 m3)	4,237,250	5,476,400	5,986,054	6,700,124	7,012,322	6,865,550	7,929,541	8,058,042	8,186,544
Per capita water supply (lt./person*die)	250	250	250	250	250	250	250	250	250
EF (mg/m3)	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15
<b>NMVOE Emissions (t)</b>	<b>63.6</b>	<b>82.1</b>	<b>89.8</b>	<b>100.5</b>	<b>105.2</b>	<b>103.0</b>	<b>118.9</b>	<b>120.9</b>	<b>122.8</b>
<b>Industrial wastewater</b>									
Industrial wastewaters production (1000 m3)	908,840	928,479	920,614	867,085	717,846	659,246	691,463	708,427	697,554
EF (mg/m3)	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15
<b>NMVOE Emissions (t)</b>	<b>13.6</b>	<b>13.9</b>	<b>13.8</b>	<b>13.0</b>	<b>10.8</b>	<b>9.9</b>	<b>10.4</b>	<b>10.6</b>	<b>10.5</b>

### 7.5.3 Uncertainty and time-series consistency

The combined uncertainty in CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from wastewater handling is estimated to be about 102% in annual emissions 100% and 20% for activity data and emission factor respectively, as derived by the IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2000; IPCC, 2006).

Concerning domestic wastewater, CH<sub>4</sub> emission trends are shown in Table 7.38, whereas the emission trend for N<sub>2</sub>O emissions is shown in Table 7.39.

**Table 7.38 CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from domestic wastewater, 1990 – 2019 (t)**

CH <sub>4</sub> Emissions (t)	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
<b>Urban high-income Population</b>										
CH <sub>4</sub> uncollected wastewater	37,614	26,591	12,476	15,449	9,289	566	542	518	493	469
CH <sub>4</sub> wastewater treatment plant	6,478	8,913	11,496	13,012	16,136	19,263	19,533	19,793	20,046	20,302
CH <sub>4</sub> anaerobic digestion	103,640	142,603	183,931	208,185	258,168	308,202	312,533	316,696	320,742	324,827
CH <sub>4</sub> untreated (sea/lake/river)	14,385	15,500	18,393	14,030	12,151	10,037	9,351	8,661	7,970	7,282
CH <sub>4</sub> untreated (flowing sewer)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Rural Population</b>										
CH <sub>4</sub> uncollected wastewater	2,705	1,840	825	956	543	32	30	29	27	26
CH <sub>4</sub> Imhoff	3,460	5,312	6,939	3,840	5,213	7,940	9,047	9,196	9,345	9,494
CH <sub>4</sub> latrines	2,896	3,192	3,682	3,897	3,912	3,678	3,418	3,350	3,282	3,214
CH <sub>4</sub> total produced	168,587	200,385	233,143	254,164	298,957	342,013	346,642	350,326	353,887	357,494
CH <sub>4</sub> recovered	103,640	142,603	183,931	208,185	258,168	308,202	312,533	316,696	320,742	324,827
CH <sub>4</sub> flared	103,640	141,883	182,468	207,543	253,668	287,801	291,963	295,044	300,361	303,264
CH <sub>4</sub> energy recovery	0	719	1,463	643	4,500	20,401	20,570	21,652	20,381	21,563
<b>CH<sub>4</sub> total emissions</b>	<b>67,538</b>	<b>61,347</b>	<b>53,811</b>	<b>51,183</b>	<b>47,243</b>	<b>41,516</b>	<b>41,922</b>	<b>41,547</b>	<b>41,164</b>	<b>40,787</b>

**Table 7.39 N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from domestic wastewater, 1990 – 2019 (t)**

N <sub>2</sub> O Emissions (t)	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
N <sub>2</sub> O emissions from wastewater effluent (Indirect emissions)	3,933	3,820	4,073	4,069	4,177	4,182	4,184	4,179	4,169	4,163
N <sub>2</sub> O emissions from wastewater treatment plants (Direct emissions)	87.4	85.0	92.5	156.5	153.6	161.9	161.7	161.4	161.1	160.8
<b>N<sub>2</sub>O total emissions</b>	<b>4,021</b>	<b>3,905</b>	<b>4,166</b>	<b>4,226</b>	<b>4,330</b>	<b>4,344</b>	<b>4,345</b>	<b>4,340</b>	<b>4,330</b>	<b>4,324</b>

The amount of total industrial wastewater production is reported, for each sector, in Table 7.40.

CH<sub>4</sub> emission trend for industrial wastewater handling for different sectors is shown in Table 7.41, whereas the emission trend for N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from industrial wastewater handling is shown again in Table 7.42.

Concerning CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from industrial wastewater, neither wastewater flow nor average COD value change much over time, therefore emissions are stable and mainly related to the production data.

**Table 7.40 Total industrial wastewater production by sector, 1990 – 2019 (1000 m<sup>3</sup>)**

Wastewater production (1000 m <sup>3</sup> )	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Iron and steel	9.53	7.78	6.76	6.86	6.17	2.97	2.97	2.87	2.92	3.35
Oil refinery	NA									
Organic chemicals	210.94	212.32	215.05	214.74	214.12	213.80	213.27	214.24	214.05	213.93
Food and beverage	179.12	177.38	182.74	185.66	186.26	177.91	187.88	179.05	183.75	186.54
Pulp and paper	377.17	402.95	387.28	366.02	232.69	202.64	232.67	235.06	246.67	238.78
Textile industry	108.46	103.05	101.57	75.49	64.36	48.90	47.13	46.82	47.75	42.85
Leather industry	23.62	25.00	27.22	18.32	14.25	13.03	12.69	13.40	13.29	12.10
<b>Total</b>	908.840	928.479	920.614	867.085	717.846	659.246	696.608	691.463	708.427	697.554

**Table 7.41 CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from anaerobic industrial wastewater treatment, 1990 – 2019 (kt)**

CH <sub>4</sub> Emissions (kt)	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Iron and steel	0.036	0.029	0.025	0.026	0.023	0.011	0.011	0.011	0.011	0.013
Oil refinery	5.850	5.625	4.250	4.750	4.750	4.750	4.750	4.750	4.750	4.750
Organic chemicals	23.794	23.911	24.173	24.177	24.069	23.998	23.899	24.101	24.062	24.046
Food and beverage	22.946	22.112	22.871	23.197	23.447	22.575	24.125	22.830	23.531	23.905
Pulp and paper	0.923	0.986	1.055	0.997	0.544	0.552	0.634	0.640	0.672	0.650
Textile industry	4.067	3.864	3.809	2.831	2.414	1.834	1.768	1.756	1.791	1.607
Leather industry	3.192	3.378	3.677	2.901	2.517	2.272	2.242	2.368	2.348	2.138
<b>Total</b>	60.81	59.91	59.86	58.88	57.76	55.99	57.43	56.46	57.16	57.11

**Table 7.42 N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from industrial wastewater, 1990 – 2019 (kt)**

N <sub>2</sub> O Emissions (kt)	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Industrial wastewater	0.227	0.232	0.230	0.217	0.179	0.165	0.174	0.173	0.177	0.174

#### 7.5.4 Source-specific QA/QC and verification

Where information is available, wastewater flows and COD concentrations are checked with those reported yearly by the industrial sectoral reports or technical documentation developed in the framework of the Integrated Pollution and Prevention Control (IPPC) Directive of the European Union (<http://eippcb.jrc.es>).

Moreover, in the framework of EPER/E-PRTR registry the methodology used to estimate emissions from wastewater handling can be used by the operators of wastewater treatment plants to check if their emission data exceed the reporting threshold values.

Finally, a Ph.D. thesis on GHG emissions from wastewater handling has been carried out at Environmental, Hydraulic, Infrastructures and Surveying Engineering Department (DIIAR) of Politecnico di Milano (Solini, 2010), where national methodology has been compared with that reported in 2006 IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006) and with a methodology developed in the framework of a previous thesis Ph.D. for the estimation of emissions from wastewater treatment plants located in Regione Lombardia.

#### 7.5.5 Source-specific recalculations

Minor recalculations of emissions from industrial wastewaters have occurred due to updates of pulp and paper industry as well as soaps and detergents activity data for 2016, and due to updates of paints activity data for the year 2018.

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### ***7.5.6 Source-specific planned improvements***

Further improvements are welcome as soon as additional data will be available. We expect that environmental reports from industry will be improved each passing year. Moreover, specific survey on those industries that produce considerable amounts of wastewater with significant organic carbon levels are planned, in order to revise the methodology for estimating emissions from industrial wastewater, according to the revised 2019 IPPC Guidelines.

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## 8 RECALCULATIONS AND IMPROVEMENTS

### 8.1 Explanations and justifications for recalculations

To meet the requirements of transparency, consistency, comparability, completeness and accuracy of the inventory, the entire time series from 1990 onwards is checked and revised every year during the annual compilation of the inventory. Measures to guarantee and improve these qualifications are undertaken and recalculations should be considered as a contribution to the overall improvement of the inventory.

Recalculations are elaborated on account of changes in the methodologies used to carry out emission estimates, changes due to different allocation of emissions as compared to previous submissions, changes due to error corrections and in consideration of new available information.

The complete revised CRFs from 1990 to 2018 have been submitted as well as the CRF for the year 2019. Explanatory information on the recalculations involving methodological changes between the 2020 and 2021 submissions are reported in Table 8.1.

The revisions that lead to relevant changes in GHG emissions are pointed out in the specific sectoral chapters and summarized in the following section 8.4.1.

### 8.2 Implications for emission levels

The time series reported in the 2021 submission is summarised in Table 8.2 by gas; differences in emission levels due to recalculations are also reported.

Improvements in the calculation of emission estimates have led to a recalculation of the entire time series of the national inventory. Considering total GHG emissions without LULUCF, estimates show an increase in comparison with the last year submission, equal to 0.53% for 1990 and an increase of 0.33% for 2018. Considering the national total with the LULUCF sector, the year 1990 has increased by 0.52% and the 2018 emission levels increased by 0.24%.

Detailed explanations of these recalculations are provided in the sectoral chapters.

**Table 8.1 Explanations of the main recalculations in the 2021 submission**

<b>Implementing Regulation Article 16: Reporting on major changes to methodological descriptions</b>		
Please report the major changes to the methodological descriptions in the national inventory report since its submission due on 15 April of the previous year, in the table below:		

Member State:	ITALY		
Reporting year:	2021		

GREENHOUSE GAS SOURCE AND SINK CATEGORIES	DESCRIPTION OF METHODS	RECALCULATIONS	REFERENCE
	Please <b>mark the relevant cell</b> where the latest NIR includes major changes in methodological descriptions compared to the NIR of the previous year	Please <b>mark the relevant cell</b> where this is also reflected in recalculations compared to the previous years' CRF	If the cell is marked please provide a reference to the relevant section or pages in the NIR and if applicable some more detailed information such as the sub-category or gas concerned for which the description was changed.
<b>Total (Net Emissions)</b>			
<b>1. Energy</b>			
A. Fuel Combustion (sectoral approach)			
1. Energy industries			
2. Manufacturing industries and construction			
3. Transport			
4. Other sector			
5. Other			
B. Fugitive emissions from fuels			
1. Solid fuels			
2. Oil and natural gas and other emissions from energy production	X	X	CH4 emissions from geothermal energy have been added for the whole time series
C. CO2 transport and storage			
<b>2. Industrial processes and product use</b>			
A. Mineral industry			
B. Chemical industry			
C. Metal industry			
D. Non-energy products from fuels and solvent use			
E. Electronic industry			
F. Product uses as substitutes for ODS			
G. Other product manufacture and use			
H. Other			
<b>3. Agriculture</b>			
A. Enteric fermentation			

GREENHOUSE GAS SOURCE AND SINK CATEGORIES	DESCRIPTION OF METHODS	RECALCULATIONS	REFERENCE
	Please <b>mark the relevant cell</b> where the latest NIR includes major changes in methodological descriptions compared to the NIR of the previous year	Please <b>mark the relevant cell</b> where this is also reflected in recalculations compared to the previous years' CRF	If the cell is marked please provide a reference to the relevant section or pages in the NIR and if applicable some more detailed information such as the sub-category or gas concerned for which the description was changed.
B. Manure management			
C. Rice cultivation			
D. Agricultural soils			
E. Prescribed burning of savannahs			
F. Field burning of agricultural residues			
G. Liming			
H. Urea application			
I. Other carbon containing fertilisers	X	X	CO2 emissions from the use of CAN fertiliser have been added for the whole time series
J. Other			
<b>4. Land use, land-use change and forestry</b>			
A. Forest land			
B. Cropland			
C. Grassland			
D. Wetlands			
E. Settlements			
F. Other land			
G. Harvested wood products			
H. Other			
<b>5. Waste</b>			
A. Solid waste disposal			
B. Biological treatment of solid waste			
C. Incineration and open burning of waste			
D. Wastewater treatment and discharge			
E. Other			
<b>6. Other (as specified in Summary 1.A)</b>			
<b>KP LULUCF</b>			
<b>Article 3.3 activities</b>			
Afforestation/reforestation			
Deforestation			
<b>Article 3.4 activities</b>			
Forest management			

GREENHOUSE GAS SOURCE AND SINK CATEGORIES	DESCRIPTION OF METHODS	RECALCULATIONS	REFERENCE
	Please <b>mark the relevant cell</b> where the latest NIR includes major changes in methodological descriptions compared to the NIR of the previous year	Please <b>mark the relevant cell</b> where this is also reflected in recalculations compared to the previous years' CRF	If the cell is marked please provide a reference to the relevant section or pages in the NIR and if applicable some more detailed information such as the sub-category or gas concerned for which the description was changed.
Cropland management (if elected)			
Grazing land management (if elected)			
Revegetation (if elected)			
Wetland drainage and rewetting (if elected)			

NIR Chapter	DESCRIPTION		REFERENCE
	Please <b>mark the cell</b> where the latest NIR includes major changes in descriptions compared to the previous year NIR		

**Table 8.2 Differences in time series between the 2021 and 2020 submissions due to recalculations**

	subm	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018
<b>CO<sub>2</sub> net emissions/removals (kt CO<sub>2</sub>-eq.)</b>	2020	432,347	423,476	446,120	463,963	390,975	315,884	315,596	328,245	311,176
	2021	433,848	424,921	448,128	466,264	393,451	317,028	316,660	330,439	312,412
	<i>Differences</i>	<i>0.35%</i>	<i>0.34%</i>	<i>0.45%</i>	<i>0.50%</i>	<i>0.63%</i>	<i>0.36%</i>	<i>0.34%</i>	<i>0.67%</i>	<i>0.40%</i>
<b>CO<sub>2</sub> emissions (without LULUCF) (kt CO<sub>2</sub>-eq.)</b>	2020	438,009	448,333	468,442	500,006	433,688	360,088	356,556	351,474	348,085
	2021	439,550	449,826	470,493	502,260	436,154	361,302	358,061	352,850	349,020
	<i>Differences</i>	<i>0.35%</i>	<i>0.33%</i>	<i>0.44%</i>	<i>0.45%</i>	<i>0.57%</i>	<i>0.34%</i>	<i>0.42%</i>	<i>0.39%</i>	<i>0.27%</i>
<b>CH<sub>4</sub> emissions (kt CO<sub>2</sub>-eq.)</b>	2020	49,429	50,606	51,449	48,609	47,289	44,151	43,695	45,005	43,203
	2021	50,617	51,650	52,562	49,398	47,689	44,324	44,100	45,535	43,625
	<i>Differences</i>	<i>2.40%</i>	<i>2.06%</i>	<i>2.16%</i>	<i>1.62%</i>	<i>0.85%</i>	<i>0.39%</i>	<i>0.93%</i>	<i>1.18%</i>	<i>0.98%</i>
<b>CH<sub>4</sub> emissions (without LULUCF) (kt CO<sub>2</sub>-eq.)</b>	2020	48,247	50,326	50,766	48,328	46,980	43,884	43,399	43,658	43,033
	2021	49,331	51,347	51,848	49,098	47,339	44,059	43,794	44,024	43,472
	<i>Differences</i>	<i>2.25%</i>	<i>2.03%</i>	<i>2.13%</i>	<i>1.59%</i>	<i>0.76%</i>	<i>0.40%</i>	<i>0.91%</i>	<i>0.84%</i>	<i>1.02%</i>
<b>N<sub>2</sub>O emissions (kt CO<sub>2</sub>-eq.)</b>	2020	26,961	28,507	29,383	28,690	19,507	18,187	18,532	18,529	18,168
	2021	27,005	28,560	29,241	28,207	19,397	17,801	18,262	18,300	17,915
	<i>Differences</i>	<i>0.17%</i>	<i>0.18%</i>	<i>-0.49%</i>	<i>-1.68%</i>	<i>-0.56%</i>	<i>-2.12%</i>	<i>-1.46%</i>	<i>-1.23%</i>	<i>-1.39%</i>
<b>N<sub>2</sub>O emissions (without LULUCF) (kt CO<sub>2</sub>-eq.)</b>	2020	26,036	27,579	28,648	28,032	19,078	17,859	18,100	18,007	17,695
	2021	26,080	27,631	28,505	27,549	18,968	17,474	17,828	17,740	17,462
	<i>Differences</i>	<i>0.17%</i>	<i>0.19%</i>	<i>-0.50%</i>	<i>-1.73%</i>	<i>-0.58%</i>	<i>-2.16%</i>	<i>-1.50%</i>	<i>-1.48%</i>	<i>-1.31%</i>
<b>HFCs (kt CO<sub>2</sub>-eq.)</b>	2020	444	927	2,489	7,617	12,053	15,389	15,963	16,408	16,570
	2021	444	927	2,489	7,617	12,054	15,387	15,941	16,321	16,445
	<i>Differences</i>	<i>0.00%</i>	<i>0.00%</i>	<i>0.00%</i>	<i>0.00%</i>	<i>0.01%</i>	<i>-0.01%</i>	<i>-0.14%</i>	<i>-0.53%</i>	<i>-0.75%</i>
<b>PFCs (kt CO<sub>2</sub>-eq.)</b>	2020	2,907	1,492	1,488	1,940	1,520	1,688	1,614	1,314	1,657
	2021	2,907	1,492	1,488	1,940	1,520	1,688	1,614	1,314	1,657
	<i>Differences</i>	<i>0.00%</i>	<i>0.00%</i>	<i>0.00%</i>	<i>0.00%</i>	<i>0.00%</i>	<i>0.00%</i>	<i>0.00%</i>	<i>0.00%</i>	<i>0.00%</i>
<b>Unspecified mix (kt CO<sub>2</sub>-eq.)</b>	2020	NO	23	23	23	23	23	23	23	21
	2021	NO	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	23
	<i>Differences</i>		<i>8.78%</i>	<i>8.78%</i>	<i>8.78%</i>	<i>8.78%</i>	<i>8.78%</i>	<i>8.78%</i>	<i>8.78%</i>	<i>10.65%</i>
<b>SF<sub>6</sub> (kt CO<sub>2</sub>-eq.)</b>	2020	408	680	604	550	394	472	399	417	446
	2021	408	680	604	550	394	472	399	417	446
	<i>Differences</i>	<i>0.00%</i>	<i>0.00%</i>	<i>0.00%</i>	<i>0.00%</i>	<i>0.00%</i>	<i>0.00%</i>	<i>0.00%</i>	<i>0.00%</i>	<i>0.00%</i>
<b>NF<sub>3</sub> (Gg CO<sub>2</sub>-eq.)</b>	2020	NO	77	13	33	20	28	34	23	22
	2021	NO	77	13	33	20	28	34	23	22
	<i>Differences</i>		<i>0.00%</i>	<i>0.00%</i>	<i>0.00%</i>	<i>0.00%</i>	<i>0.00%</i>	<i>0.00%</i>	<i>0.00%</i>	<i>0.00%</i>
<b>Total (with LULUCF) (kt CO<sub>2</sub>-eq.)</b>	2020	516,052	529,435	552,474	586,529	513,756	439,432	436,088	431,324	427,529
	2021	518,720	532,004	555,466	589,072	516,474	440,437	437,696	432,714	428,549
	<i>Differences</i>	<i>0.52%</i>	<i>0.49%</i>	<i>0.54%</i>	<i>0.43%</i>	<i>0.53%</i>	<i>0.23%</i>	<i>0.37%</i>	<i>0.32%</i>	<i>0.24%</i>
<b>Total (without LULUCF) (kt CO<sub>2</sub>-eq.)</b>	2020	512,496	505,788	531,570	551,426	471,782	395,822	395,857	409,964	391,263
	2021	515,229	508,331	534,550	554,034	474,551	396,754	397,035	412,374	392,547
	<i>Differences</i>	<i>0.53%</i>	<i>0.50%</i>	<i>0.56%</i>	<i>0.47%</i>	<i>0.59%</i>	<i>0.24%</i>	<i>0.30%</i>	<i>0.59%</i>	<i>0.33%</i>

### 8.3 Implications for emission trends, including time series consistency

Recalculations account for an improvement in the overall emission trend and consistency in time series.

In comparison with the time series submitted in 2020, emission levels of the year 1990, as total emissions in CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent without LULUCF, slightly changed (0.53%). If considering emission levels with LULUCF, a increase by 0.52% is observed in total figures, in CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent, for 1990.

The trend 1990- 2018, without LULUCF, does not show a significant change from the previous to this year submission; the reduction in emissions, 1990-2018, is equal now to 22.8 % whereas it was 22.9% in the last year submission.

### 8.4 Recalculations, response to the review process and planned improvements

This chapter summarises the recalculations and improvements made to the Italian GHG inventory since the last year submission.

In addition to a new year, the inventory is updated annually by a revision of the existing activity data and emission factors in order to include new information available; the update could also reflect the revision of methodologies. Revisions always apply to the whole time series.

The inventory may also be expanded by including categories not previously estimated if sufficient information on activity data and suitable emission factors have been identified and collected.

#### 8.4.1 Recalculations

The key differences in emission estimates occurred since the last year submission are reported in Table 8.1 and Table 8.2.

All sectors were involved in changes due to updates of activity data and some emission factor.

Specifically:

*Energy.* For the stationary combustion in industry and in transformation sector the CO<sub>2</sub> emission factors have been slightly revised from 2005 for different fuels because of the update in atomic weights for the elements involved in the calculation of the carbon content in the natural gas (Hydrogen, Carbon, Oxygen, etc.). Moreover, the CO<sub>2</sub> emission factor for natural gas has been updated for the whole time series the update of the average content of CH<sub>4</sub> and CO<sub>2</sub> in the national natural gas mix due to an error which has been fixed. Recalculations also occurred because of the review of carbon balance made with the goal to improve the coherence with international statistics also used as basic data for GHG projections.

The whole time series of road transport emissions has been recalculated mainly as a result of of the upgrade of Copert model version used, applying the planned improvement regarding a general review of mileages and input circulation parameters.

Fugitive CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from geothermal extraction have been estimated and included in the inventory.

*IPPU.* Recalculations occurred for F-gases as a consequence of the revision of Stationary Air Conditioning: The major recalculation is due to the revision of the percentage of R-32 mono and multisplit machines sold and manufactured, with consequently a change in the percentage of equipment using R-410A for the years from 2016 to 2019. This resulted in an increase of R-32 emissions and a decrease of R-410A emissions, of which HFC-125 accounts for 50% of the R-410A (the other 50% is R-32).

*Agriculture.* CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from enteric fermentation have been recalculated because of the data updating from 2004 of DE and Ym parameters used to estimate CH<sub>4</sub> emissions for dairy cattle category. For manure management CH<sub>4</sub> emissions have been recalculated mainly because of the updating: of the average monthly temperatures. N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from manure management and from soils have been recalculated because of the updating of the N excreted for dairy cattle. In fact as a consequence of the update of the gross energy intake (GE), based on the estimation of the parameters digestibility (DE) of diet and methane conversion factor (Ym), the excreted nitrogen value of dairy cows was updated from the year 2004. In addition, the percentage for protein in diet has been updated from the year 2000. This parameter is used with GE in the estimation of excreted nitrogen. CO<sub>2</sub> emissions due to the use of CAN fertiliser have been estimated for the 2021 submission.

*LULUCF.* The recalculation occurred in the sector is due to the following elements reported in the table 8.3:

**Table 8.3 Drivers for recalculation in the LULUCF sector**

	CO <sub>2</sub>	CH <sub>4</sub>	N <sub>2</sub> O
<b>Forest land</b>	Update of the activity data (i.e. harvest data and burned areas)	<i>Biomass burning:</i> Update of the model used to estimate GHG emissions from fires: R-coding, modification of gap-filling procedure for estimate emissions for missing data/parameters (affecting 1990-2007 period), errors fixing.	

	CO <sub>2</sub>	CH <sub>4</sub>	N <sub>2</sub> O
<b>Cropland</b>	<p><i>Cropland remaining cropland:</i> Update of activity data (i.e. areas subject to different management practices) and consequent recalculation of related soils C stock changes. Activity data related to organic soils has been updated.</p> <p><i>Land converted to cropland:</i> Update of activity data (i.e. grassland to cropland land use change)</p>	-	<p><i>N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from land-use conversion to cropland</i> Update of F<sub>SOM</sub>, recalculated on the basis of the estimates of soil C stock changes of land converted to cropland category (par. 6.3.4)</p> <p><i>Indirect N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from managed soils</i> Update of F<sub>SOM</sub>, recalculated on the basis of the estimates of soil C stock changes of land converted to cropland category (par. 6.3.4)</p>
<b>Grassland</b>	<p><i>Grassland remaining grassland:</i> Update of activity data (i.e. areas subject to different management practices) and consequent recalculation of related soils C stock changes. Activity data related to organic soils has been also updated.</p> <p><i>Land converted to grassland:</i> Update of activity data (i.e. cropland to grassland land use change)</p>	<p>- <i>Biomass burning:</i> Update of activity data (burned area); error fixing in fire estimation process</p>	
<b>Wetlands</b>	update of the activity data and the consequent smoothing process affecting the 2016-2018 period. Additional information on the smoothing process is reported in the section 6.1.	-	-
<b>Settlements</b>	Update of the activity data	-	Update of F <sub>SOM</sub> , recalculated on the basis of the estimates of soil C stock changes of land converted to settlements
<b>HWP</b>	Revision of FAOSTAT time series for wood-based panels, industrial roundwood, sawnwood, paper and paperboard (production, import and export)	-	-

*Waste.* Minor recalculations occurred in this sector for the update of some activity data as sludge production and sludge used for agricultural purposes time series and for waste incineration the update of few plants industrial waste activity data from 2016. Moreover, CO<sub>2</sub> fossil and biomass emissions from open burning of waste have been estimated and included in the inventory.

#### 8.4.2 Response to the UNFCCC review process

A complete list of improvements following the UNFCCC review process is reported in Annex 12, although the final ARR 2019 was not received at the time of the compilation of this report.

Improvements regarded the completeness and transparency of the information reported in the NIR.

Most of the recommendations has been addressed in this year submission. Additional information has been provided in all the sectors, more information on methodology used to estimate emissions for industrial processes (especially for F-gases estimations), estimates for the agriculture sector and LULUCF has been recalculated and the description of country specific methods and the rationale behind the choice of emission factors, activity data and other related parameters for different sector has been better detailed.

#### 8.4.3 Planned improvements (e.g., institutional arrangements, inventory preparation)

Specific improvements are identified in the relevant chapters and specified in the 2019 QA/QC plan; they can be summarized in the following.

For the energy and industrial sectors, the database where information collected in the framework of different EU legislation, Large Combustion Plant, E-PRTR and Emissions Trading, is annually updated and improved. The database has helped highlighting the main discrepancies in information and detecting potential errors leading to a better use of these data in the national inventory. Energy data submitted to the international

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organizations in the framework of the Joint Questionnaire OECD/IEA/EUROSTAT will be compared with the national energy statistics with the aim to reduce the differences with the international statistics. A revision of biomass and waste fuel consumption time series is planned for the next submission on the basis of energy data communicated by the Ministry of Economic Development to the Joint Questionnaire OECD/IEA/EUROSTAT, after a verification and comparison with data up to now used and available in the National Energy Balance reports.

Improvements for road transport sector will be connected to the availability of information regarding activity data, calculation factors and parameters, development of the methodology and update of the software.

For maritime activities further improvements will regard a verification of activity data on ship movements and emission estimates with regional environmental agencies, especially with those more affected by maritime pollution. In particular we plan to build an emission estimation database which calculate every year emissions at harbor level taking in account of the information officially provided by Italy to Eurostat per type of ship, class of tonnage and movement statistics.

For the Industrial processes sector, investigations concerning the replacement of natural raw material in clinker manufacture and in lime production are planned to better explain differences of the average emission factors in the time series. Further investigations about final market shares of urea in Italy are planned in order to check the amount of urea used in the inventory against the apparent consumption in Italy. Many improvements are planned for Fgases emissions estimates and in particular in the professional refrigeration sub-sector to try gathering more information and data on the equipment manufactured and sold over the years, the average charge, the operating emission factor in order to estimate the manufacturing and lifetime emissions.

For the agriculture and waste sectors, improvements will be related to the availability of new information on emission factors, activity data as well as parameters necessary to carry out the estimates. Specifically, for agriculture, further improvements are expected on information on the standard diets of cattle for fattening, for the updating of values relating to dry matter intake and Y<sub>m</sub>. Additional data and information will be collected to improve the estimation of methane emissions from sheep, in particular for the DE parameter for mature ewes and other mature sheep, as recommended during the 2019 UNFCCC review. Updated average temperature data will be collected to verify and update the average monthly temperatures for both the climate zones (cool and temperate) considered in the national inventory to increase accuracy of the estimates of CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from manure management for cattle and buffalo. A working group was set up with *Assofertilizzanti* and ISTAT to compare the statistics produced by these two bodies. The aim is also to revise the data collection questionnaire in order to detect the amount of CAN distributed throughout the country. The improvement of the waste production and management database, handled by another unit of ISPRA, is ongoing, facilitating the extrapolation and elaboration of the huge amount of information contained in the database. Analysis and elaboration e.g. on waste composition will be easier and will allow improvements in the emission estimates in the future submission.

For the LULUCF, the final result of the third NFI, hopefully available in 2022, will allow using of IPCC carbon stock change method to estimate emissions and removals for forest land remaining forest land category. Planned improvements are also related to the investigation on the end-use, the discard rates of HWP, as well as the final market use of wood in Italy. The main outcome of this investigation could be the set-up of country specific emission factors to be used in the estimation process.

Additional studies will regard the comparison between local inventories and national inventory and exchange of information with the 'local inventories' national expert group.

Further analyses will concern the collection of statistical data and information to estimate uncertainty in specific sectors by implementing Approach 2 of the IPCC guidelines. In this regards we plan to reassess the uncertainty for the same categories reported in the annex of the NIR because these are the main categories for which the analysis makes sense in consideration of the information available on parameters and underlying distributions. We will try to extend the analysis to some other key categories in the IPPU sector (chemical and mineral).

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**PART II: SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION REQUIRED UNDER ARTICLE 7, PARAGRAPH 1**

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## 9 KP-LULUCF

### 9.1 General information

Under the Kyoto Protocol (KP), Italy reports emissions and removals from afforestation (A), reforestation (R) and deforestation (D), Article 3, paragraph 3, and emissions and removals from forest management (FM), cropland management (CM) and grazing land management (GM), Article 3, paragraph 4. The estimates for emissions and removals under Articles 3.3 and 3.4 are consistent with the 2013 Revised Supplementary Methods and Good Practice Guidance Arising from the Kyoto Protocol (2013 KP Supplement, IPCC, 2014) and the relevant UNFCCC Decisions (15/CMP.1, 16/CMP.1, 2/CMP.6, 2/CMP.7).

#### 9.1.1 Definition of forest and any other criteria

The forest definition to be used in the second commitment period is the same definition adopted for the first commitment period. The forest definition adopted by Italy corresponds to the definition of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations for its Global Forest Resource assessment (FAO FRA, 2000), which is consistent with the definition given in Decision 16/CMP.1. Forest is a land with the following threshold values for tree crown cover, land area and tree height:

- a. a minimum area of land of 0.5 hectares;
- b. tree crown cover of 10 per cent;
- c. minimum tree height of 5 meters;

and with a minimum width of 10 meters.

Forest roads, cleared tracts, firebreaks and other open areas within the forest as well as protected forest areas are included in forest. Any plantation for wood production in former cropland is also included under forest land. Land where tree vegetation does not meet the previously listed thresholds, but it is expected to meet those within a 20-year period is also included in forest land.

#### 9.1.2 Elected activities under Article 3, paragraph 4, of the Kyoto Protocol

Italy has elected cropland management (CM) and grazing land management (GM) as additional activities under Article 3.4. Following Decision 2/CMP.7 forest management (FM) is a mandatory activity to be accounted for under Article 3.4.

#### 9.1.3 Description of how the definitions of each activity under Article 3.3 and FM and each elected activity under Article 3.4 have been implemented and applied consistently over time

*Afforestation* and *reforestation* areas have been derived from the three Italian National Forest Inventories (IFN1985, INFC2005 and the on-going INFC2015).

*Deforestation* data have been collected through surveys carried out in the framework of the NFIs for the years 2005 and 2012. Accordingly, deforested areas for the years 2006-2011 have been estimated through linear interpolation and for the years 2013-2019 have been estimated through linear extrapolation. Administrative records at NUT2 level collected by the National Institute of Statistics on deforested areas have been used for the period 1990-2005. In addition, it should be noted that land use changes due to wildfires are not allowed by national legislation (Law Decree 21 November 2000, n. 353, art.10.1).

The definition of *forest management* is implemented using the broader approach as described in the 2013 KP Supplement, consequently all forest land not reported under ARD activities are reported under forest management.

Concerning *deforestation* activities, in Italy land use changes from forest to other land use categories are allowed in very limited circumstances, as stated in art. 4.2 of the Law Decree n. 227 of 2001, and only upon authorization of authorities.

Lands subject to *cropland management* correspond to the cropland reported under the Convention in the year 1990 minus any land converted to forest or grassland, and plus settlement, wetlands and other land, converted to cropland, if any. Area under CM are derived from IUTI data for the years 1990, 2000, 2008 and 2012; thus, areas for the period 2013-2019 data have been estimated through linear extrapolation for the period 2012-2019. Land subject to *grazing land management* in Italy are those predominantly covered by herbaceous vegetation (introduced or indigenous) for a period longer than five years, used for grazing or fodder harvesting and/or under practices to control the amount and type of vegetation. In the current submission, the land subject to

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*grazing land management* has been extended by the inclusion of all the managed grazing land of which the ‘improved grazing land’ or organic grazing land is a part. The organic grazing land corresponds to lands subject to inspections and certifications procedures, in accordance with the EU Regulations<sup>52</sup> on organic production, as well as by the Rural Development Regulations<sup>53</sup> on organic farming. Data of the area of total managed grazing land are derived from Eurostat and ISTAT, while data of grazing areas managed with organic practices are derived from the National System on Organic Farming (SINAB, <http://www.sinab.it>) of the Ministry of Agriculture. Data of total managed grazing land from ISTAT are available at regional level for the period 1990-1993, for the year 1995, for the period 1998-2005, and for the period 2006-2018 under the definition of permanent fodder grassland, while data from Eurostat at regional level covers the years 1994, 1996, 1997. The time series of total managed grazing land at regional level from 1971 to 1998 were calculated by extrapolating and interpolating the available data. The area of managed grazing land not subjected to organic practices is estimated, year by year, by the difference between the area of the total managed grazing land and the area of organic (improved) grazing land.

#### **9.1.4 Description of precedence conditions and/or hierarchy among Article 3.4 activities, and how they have been consistently applied in determining how land was classified**

In line with guidance provided by the 2013 KP Supplement (IPCC, 2014), a hierarchy has been established among the activities elected under Article 3.4.

In Italian context, the GM activity has a higher hierarchical order than CM activity. Furthermore, land converted from cropland to grassland is assumed to be converted into natural grassland, thus included in the CM activity. Moreover, it has been assumed that land converted to managed grazing lands comes from natural grassland; land converted to organic grazing land comes from managed grazing land not subject to inspections and certifications, in accordance with the EU Regulations on organic production.

## **9.2 Land-related information**

Italy implements the Reporting Method 1 for lands subject to Article 3.3 and Article 3.4 activities. The area boundaries for land subject to Article 3.3 and to FM activities have been identified with the administrative boundaries of Italian regions (NUTS2). The area boundaries for land subject to GM and CM activities have been identified with the administrative boundaries of Italy (NUTS1). These areas include multiple units of land subject to *afforestation/reforestation*, *deforestation*, *forest management*, *cropland management* and *grazing land management*. Approach 2 has been used for representing land areas, together with ancillary information (see below).

Data for land use and land-use changes were obtained by the National Forest Inventories (IFN1985, IFNC2005 and the on-going INFC2015). IFN1985 was accomplished by means of systematic sampling with a single phase of information gathering on the ground. The sampling points were identified in correspondence to the nodes of a grid with a mesh of 3 km superimposed on the official Italian map on a scale of 1:25.000. Therefore, each point represents 900 ha, for a total of 33,500 points distributed within the national territory. IFNC2005 has a three-phases sampling design; the sampling units were 300,000 and were identified in correspondence to the nodes of a grid with a mesh of 1 km superimposed on the official Italian map. A first inventory phase, consisting in interpretation of 1m resolution orthophotos taken from 2002 to 2003, was followed by ground surveys to assess the forest use and to detect the main qualitative attributes of Italian forests. The third phase has consisted in ground surveys to estimate the values of the main quantitative attributes of forest stands (i.e., volume of growing stock, tree density, annual growth, aboveground biomass, carbon stock, deadwood volume

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<sup>52</sup> Commission Regulation (EC) n. 889/2008: <http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:32008R0889&from=EN>; Council Regulation (EC) n. 834/2007: <http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/HTML/?uri=URISERV:f86000&from=IT>; Council Regulation (EEC) n. 2092/91: <http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=CELEX:31991R2092:EN:HTML>

<sup>53</sup> Regulation (EEC) n. 2078/92: [http://ec.europa.eu/agriculture/envir/programs/evalrep/text\\_en.pdf](http://ec.europa.eu/agriculture/envir/programs/evalrep/text_en.pdf); Council Regulation (EC): n. 1257/1999 <http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:31999R1257&from=en>; Council Regulation (EC) n. 1698/2005: <http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:32005R1698&from=en>; Regulation (EU) n. 1305/2013: <http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:L:2013:347:0487:0548:EN:PDF>

and biomass). A specific survey was dedicated to the soil pool, collecting soil organic carbon stock data in 1,500 sampling areas selected by the IFNC2005 original grid. The third national forest inventory, the IFNC2015, has the same three-phases sampling design of the previous one (INFC2005); the first phase of IFNC2015 (orthophotos' interpretation) has been carried out in 2013, resulting in an assessment of forest land area; the second phase (ground survey) is currently ongoing, and it is planned to provide results by 2021-2022. Details on the management practices of area subject to CM and GM activities, their definitions and the data sources used in the estimation process are listed in the table 9.1.

**Table 9.1 CM-GM: management practices, definitions and data sources**

CM/GM activities	management practices	definition	CAP regulations	Data source
<b>CM - annual crops</b>	Arable land (Ordinary)	A kind of agriculture that does not evidence any kind of soil organic carbon stock technical maintenance		ISTAT
	Organic arable land	Management of crop wastes; Organic manure; Extended crop rotation; Selection of better crop varieties; Cover crops	Reg. (EEC) n. 2078/92, Reg. (EC) n. 834/2007 and Reg. (EC) n. 889/2008, RDPs 2000-2006: Reg. (EC) n. 1257/99, RDPs 2007-2013: Reg. (EC) n. 1698/2005 and Reg. (EC) n. 74/2009	National Information system on organic agriculture (SINAB)
	Sustainable arable land	Crop rotation; Grassing; Specific prevention for erosion; Cover crops; Minimum tillage	National decree on sustainable agriculture n. 2722/2008; RDPs 2000-2006: Reg. (EC) n. 1257/99; RDPs 2007-2013: Reg. (EC) n. 1698/2005 and Reg. (EC) n. 74/2009	Annual Implementation Reports (RAE) and Annual Report on Operational Programs: 2000-2019
	Set aside	Natural grassing; At least one mowing	Reg. (EEC) N. 1765/1992; National decree on cross compliance implementation n. 30125/2009 and subsequent revisions	Eurostat: 1990-2016, linear extrapolation for the period 2017-2019
	Conservative practices	Zero tillage; Organic manure; Grassing; Cover crops; Minimum tillage; Crop rotation	RDPs 2007-2013: Reg. (EC) n. 1698/2005 and Reg. (EC) n. 74/2009	Annual Implementation Reports (RAE): 2008-2019
<b>CM – perennial crops</b>	Woody crops (Ordinary)	A kind of agriculture that does not evidence any kind of soil organic carbon stock technical maintenance		ISTAT
	Organic woody crops	Management of crop wastes; Organic manure; Extended crop rotation; Selection of better crop varieties; Cover crops	Reg. (EEC) n. 2078/92, Reg. (EC) n. 834/2007 and Reg. (EC) n. 889/2008, RDPs 2000-2006: Reg. (EC) n. 1257/99, RDPs 2007-2013: Reg. (EC) n. 1698/2005 and Reg. (EC) n. 74/2009	National Information system on organic agriculture (SINAB)
	Woody crops - Sustainable management	Crop rotation; Grassing; Specific prevention for erosion; Cover crops; Minimum tillage	National decree on sustainable agriculture n. 2722/2008; RDPs 2000-2006: Reg. (EC) n. 1257/99; RDPs 2007-2013: Reg. (EC) n. 1698/2005 and Reg. (EC) n. 74/2009	Annual Implementation Reports (RAE) and Annual Report on Operational Programs: 2000-2019
<b>GM</b>	grazing land	Renewal and/or thickening of crops	National decree on cross compliance implementation n. 30125/2009 and subsequent revisions	ISTAT
	organic grazing land	Renewal and/or thickening of crops; Connection to zootechnics	RDPs 2000-2006: Reg. (EC) n. 1257/1999; RDPs 2007 - 2013: Reg. (EC) n. 1998/2005 and Reg. (EC) n. 74/2009; Reg. (EC) n. 834/2007 and Reg. (EC) n. 889/2008; Reg. (EC) n. 1804/2007	National Information system on organic agriculture (SINAB)

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### **9.2.1 Spatial assessment unit used for determining the area of the units of land under Article 3.3**

The spatial assessment unit to determine the land areas under Article 3.3 is 0.5 ha, which corresponds to the forest land minimum mapping unit.

### **9.2.2 Methodology used to develop the land transition matrix**

The land transition matrix is shown in CRF Table NIR-2. The same data sources are used for the UNFCCC greenhouse gas inventory and for GHG emissions and removals estimates under Articles 3.3 and 3.4.

LUC matrices for each year of the period 1990–2019 have been assembled based on the IUTI<sup>54</sup> data.

Annual data for *afforestation/reforestation* areas were estimated on the basis of the forest area increase as detected by the National Forest Inventories.

Regarding *Deforestation* it is assumed, on the basis of data collected so far from IUTI, that all deforestation corresponds to forest land converted to settlements. Consequently, deforested land cannot be subsequently converted to any other land use so avoiding any double counting of areas with other activities. Further, it is assumed that all deforestation occurs on FM areas. Such assumption will be verified on the basis of the results of the current IUTI survey.

For forest management, the area from NFI for the year 1990, same area reported as forest land at the beginning of the year 1990 (see CRF table 4.1 for the year 1990), has been adjusted across the time series by removing deforested areas.

Due to the technical characteristics of the IUTI assessment (i.e., classification of orthophotos), it was not possible to clearly distinguish among some subcategories in *cropland* and *grassland* categories (e.g., annual pastures vs grazing land), and between them (e.g., annual crops and grazing land). Therefore, it has been decided to aggregate the cropland and grassland categories, as detected by IUTI, and then disaggregate them into the different subcategories, using as proxies the national statistics (ISTAT, [b], [c]) related to annual crops and perennial woody crops. The cropland area has been identified as the area of land subject to *cropland management*. Data sources used to assess the area of lands to *cropland management* and to *grazing land management* are reported in table 9.1.

### **9.2.3 Maps and/or database to identify the geographical locations, and the system of identification codes for the geographical locations**

The Italian administrative regions (NUTS2 level) have been used as the geographical units for reporting (Figure 9.1) land subject to Article 3.3 and to FM activities. The geographical boundaries for reporting GM and CM land have been identified with the administrative boundaries of Italy (NUTS1 level).

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<sup>54</sup> Detailed information on IUTI is reported in Annex 10



Figure 9.1 Geographical boundaries of NUTS2 regions

## 9.3 Activity-specific information

### 9.3.1 Methods for carbon stock change and GHG emission and removal estimates

#### 9.3.1.1 Description of the methodologies and the underlying assumptions used

Methods for estimating carbon stock changes and associated GHG emissions and removals for land subject to *afforestation/reforestation* and *forest management* are the same as those used for the UNFCCC greenhouse gas inventory for Forest land; details are given in par. 6.2.4 and in Annex 14. Further, following the 2011 ERT's recommendation on SOM in land under FM, Italy has decided to apply the IPCC Tier1; transparent and verifiable information that the pool is not a net source is provided in par. 9.3.1.2. Therefore, carbon stock changes in soils pool, for land subject to Forest Management, have not been reported; IPCC Tier 1 has been also applied to dead wood and litter carbon pools of land subjected to cropland management and grazing land management; carbon stock changes from these pools under CM and GM are thus not estimated and transparent and verifiable information that the pool is not a net source is provided in par. 9.3.1.2.

Methods for estimating carbon stock changes and associated GHG emissions and removals for land subject to *cropland management* are the same used for the UNFCCC greenhouse gas inventory for cropland and for any land converted since 1990 from cropland to other land uses, except for forest. Detailed information is given in par. 6.3.4. Basically:

- the C stock changes in the biomass pool have been estimated on the annual rate of biomass gain and loss according to equation 2.7 of the IPCC 2006 (vol. 4, chapter 2);
- the organic C stock changes in the mineral soil have been estimated applying the equation 2.25 of the IPCC, 2006 (vol. 4, chapter 2). The IPCC default transition period (i.e., 20 years) has been considered. The country specific  $SOC_{ref}$  have been estimated as described in the par. 6.3.4. The stock change factors (FLU, FMG, FI) are reported in the table 6.17. The SOC stocks per hectare are shown in the table 9.2, per region and per management practices, for annual and perennial crops.

Table 9.2 SOC stocks per region and management practice

Region	annual crops					Perennial crops		
	Ordinary	Organic	Sustainable	Set aside	Conservative	Ordinary	Organic	Sustainable
	SOC stock (t C ha <sup>-1</sup> )					SOC stock (t C ha <sup>-1</sup> )		
Piemonte	49.04	74.86	56.02	65.64	65.18	72.91	109.79	71.92
Valle D'Aosta	57.29	89.45	67.07	78.13	79.15	89.72	139.09	89.08

Liguria	51.15	78.64	58.89	68.87	68.82	77.29	117.47	76.40
Lombardia	52.32	80.88	60.59	70.76	71.06	80.06	122.53	79.26
Trentino Alto-Adige	56.84	88.97	66.73	77.68	78.87	89.54	139.26	88.97
Veneto	46.88	71.05	53.14	62.38	61.55	68.60	102.36	67.53
Friuli - Venezia Giulia	55.94	87.56	65.67	76.45	77.62	88.12	137.05	87.56
Emilia - Romagna	40.13	59.60	44.50	52.53	50.87	56.17	81.60	54.94
Toscana	38.18	56.43	42.11	49.78	47.98	52.88	76.32	51.64
Umbria	46.72	70.81	52.96	62.17	61.34	68.37	102.01	67.30
Marche	39.05	57.86	43.18	51.02	49.29	54.36	78.72	53.14
Lazio	39.33	58.52	43.69	51.55	50.01	55.26	80.48	54.09
Abruzzo	40.97	60.98	45.54	53.72	52.13	57.61	83.93	56.39
Molise	32.74	47.67	35.52	42.18	40.09	43.94	62.20	42.72
Campania	31.64	45.99	34.26	40.71	38.63	42.31	59.75	41.11
Puglia	29.21	42.21	31.43	37.42	35.30	38.60	54.07	37.42
Basilicata	30.64	44.37	33.05	39.31	37.17	40.67	57.16	39.46
Calabria	34.42	50.34	37.53	44.51	42.48	46.63	66.39	45.39
Sicilia	28.70	41.38	30.81	36.69	34.56	37.76	52.77	36.59
Sardegna	30.11	43.56	32.44	38.60	36.47	39.89	55.99	38.69

Methods for estimating carbon stock changes and associated GHG emissions and removals for land subject to *grazing land management* are the same used for the UNFCCC greenhouse gas inventory for grassland and for any land converted, since 1990 onward, from grassland to other land uses, except for forest. The grassland subdivision that is reported under GM includes only grassland pasture with no woody vegetation. Therefore, the application of Tier 1 approach is appropriate, since non no significant changes occur in the biomass pool and no significant stocks, and consequently no significant changes, occur in the DOM pools.

The soil carbon stock changes in the mineral soils have been estimated applying the equation 2.25 of the IPCC, 2006 (vol. 4, chapter 2). The IPCC default transition period (i.e. 20 years) has been considered. The country specific SOC<sub>ref</sub> have been estimated as described in the par. 6.4.4. The stock change factors (F<sub>LU</sub>, F<sub>MG</sub>, F<sub>I</sub>) are reported in the table 6.22. The SOC stocks per hectare are shown in the table 9.3, per region and per management practices described in table 9.1.

**Table 9.3 SOC stocks per region and management practice**

Region	grazing land	
	Ordinary	Organic
	SOC stock (t C ha <sup>-1</sup> )	
Piemonte	91.78	104.62
Valle D'Aosta	77.1	87.9
Liguria	92.7	105.68
Lombardia	79.93	91.13
Trentino Alto-Adige	78.51	89.5
Veneto	101.54	115.76
Friuli - Venezia Giulia	99.93	113.92
Emilia - Romagna	91.11	103.87
Toscana	62.24	70.95
Umbria	91.28	104.06
Marche	91	103.74
Lazio	88.98	101.43
Abruzzo	99.01	112.87
Molise	75.28	85.82
Campania	64.66	73.72
Puglia	42.03	47.91
Basilicata	60.13	68.55
Calabria	65.84	75.05
Sicilia	46.5	53.01
Sardegna	56.91	64.88

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Methods for estimating carbon stock changes and associated GHG emissions for land subject to *deforestation* are those applied, to forest land converted to settlements, as reported under the Convention. Activities planned in the framework of the registry for carbon sinks are expected to refine these estimates, providing detailed information on the final land use of the deforested area. In addition, it should be noted that land use changes due to wildfires are not allowed by national legislation (Law Decree 21 November 2000, n. 353, art.10, comma 1).

The 20-years transition period has been applied to determine the area in conversion; however, considering the nature of final land use category (settlements), and assuming that soil organic matter content of previous land use category is lost in the conversion year, the related CO<sub>2</sub> emissions are assumed to occur in the year following the conversion, Carbon stock changes due to deforestation have been estimated, for each year and for each pool (living biomass, dead organic matter and soils), on the basis of forest land carbon stocks present before deforestation as estimated by the *For-est* model described in par. 6.2.4 and in Annex 14. Soil organic carbon (SOC) reference value, for settlements category, has been assumed to be zero.

GHG emissions from biomass burning were estimated with the same method as described in par. 6.12.2. CO<sub>2</sub> emissions due to forest fires in areas subject to art. 3.3 and *forest management* activities have been included in corresponding tables: in particular, CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from biomass burning in land subject to art 3.3 activities are included in CRF table 4(KP-I)A.1.1, Losses (Aboveground and belowground pools), while CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from burnt areas under *forest management* are included in CRF table 4(KP-I)B.1, Forest Management, Losses (Aboveground and belowground pools). GHG emissions from biomass burning from lands subject to CM and GM activities have been reported in the CRF table (KP-II)4.

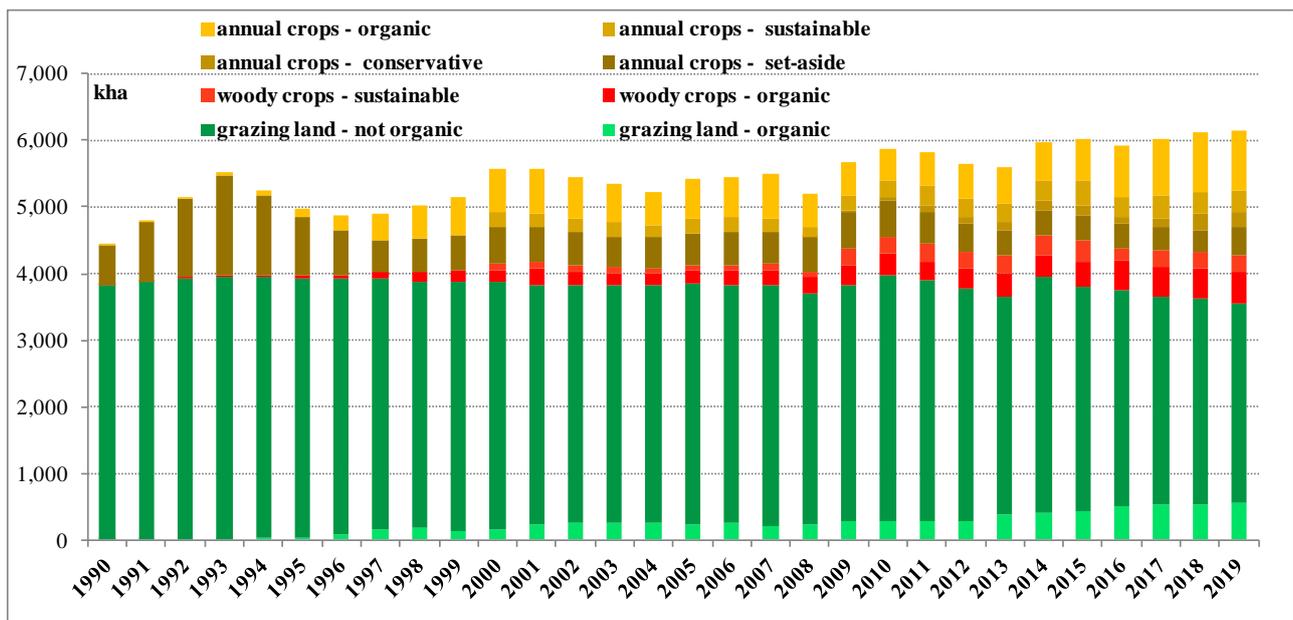
#### **9.3.1.2 Justification when omitting any carbon pool or GHG emissions/removals from activities under Article 3.3 and elected activities under Article 3.4**

Tier1 is applied for litter and deadwood pools in CM and GM. On one side, these pools are not estimated as dead organic matter (DOM) carbon stocks (and their changes) are insignificant in annual crops and GM. On the other side, DOM carbon stocks are assumed to be at equilibrium, with insignificant C stock changes, in perennial crops. Considering that agricultural practices within the European Union policies are increasingly sustainable and climate-friendly (see figure 9.2), and that the area of annual and perennial crops is progressively decreasing over time, any comparison among GHG fluxes in the base year and in the CP-years results in a net sink. Therefore, DOM pools cannot be considered a net C source under any circumstances. In relation to the policies adopted in the European Policies, the key driver for the increasing trend of sustainable management practices in Europe (and consequently in Italy) is the *Common Agricultural Policy*<sup>55</sup> (CAP); additional information, detailed for management practices in Italy, are available in the *Progress Report on LULUCF actions under art. 10.2 of the decision 529/2013/EU*<sup>56</sup>.

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<sup>55</sup> [https://ec.europa.eu/info/food-farming-fisheries/key-policies/common-agricultural-policy/cap-glance\\_en#title](https://ec.europa.eu/info/food-farming-fisheries/key-policies/common-agricultural-policy/cap-glance_en#title)

<sup>56</sup> <http://www.sinanet.isprambiente.it/it/sia-ispra/serie-storiche-emissioni/italy-progress-report-on-lulucf-article-10-2-of-dec-529-update-2020/view>



**Figure 9.2 Area of management practices under cropland and grazing land in Italy in the period 1990-2019**

Following the main finding of 2011 review process, Italy has decided not to account for the SOC changes in mineral soils from activities under *forest management*, providing transparent and verifiable information to demonstrate that SOM in mineral soils is not a source, as required by par. 21 of the annex to decision 16/CMP.1.

*Art. 3.4 – Forest Management: demonstration that SOM in mineral soils is not a source*

Carbon stock changes in minerals soils, for *Forest land remaining Forest land* and for land under art. 3.4 (*Forest Management*) activities, have been inferred from stock changes estimated in the aboveground biomass through linear regression i.e.,  $SOC = f(C_{Aboveground})$ ; consequently the carbon stock changes in mineral soils is calculated as:

$$\Delta_{SOC} = f(C_{Aboveground})_{time\ 2} - f(C_{Aboveground})_{time\ 1}$$

per forestry use – stands (conifers, broadleaves, mixed stands) and coppices. These equations have been calculated on data collected within the European project BioSoil<sup>57</sup>, for SOM, and a Life+ project FutMon<sup>58</sup> (*Further Development and Implementation of an EU-level Forest Monitoring System*), for the aboveground biomass. SOC stock values in mineral soils were assessed down to 40 cm, standardized at 30 cm, with layer-based sampling (0-10, 10-20, 20-40 cm) on 227 forest plots on a 15x18 km grid. SOC stock values have been estimated in each layer using layer depths, soil carbon concentrations (704 values), bulk densities (543 measured data, 163 estimated data in the field or by means of pedotransfer functions) and volumes of coarse fragment (704 values estimated in the field). BioSoil assessed also OF and OH layers in which organic material is in various states of decomposition (down to humus) and included these in the SOC stock estimations. In table 9.4 the regressions calculated to infer SOC stocks [ $t\ C\ ha^{-1}$ ] from the aboveground biomass [ $t\ C\ ha^{-1}$ ] are shown.

<sup>57</sup> BioSoil project – [http://www3.corpoforestale.it/flex/cm/pages/ServeBLOB.php/L/IT/IDPagina/487/UT/systemPrint;http://www.inbo.be/content/page.asp?pid=EN\\_MON\\_FSCC\\_condition\\_report](http://www3.corpoforestale.it/flex/cm/pages/ServeBLOB.php/L/IT/IDPagina/487/UT/systemPrint;http://www.inbo.be/content/page.asp?pid=EN_MON_FSCC_condition_report)

<sup>58</sup> FutMon: Life+ project for the "*Further Development and Implementation of an EU-level Forest Monitoring System*"; <http://www.futmon.org;http://www3.corpoforestale.it/flex/cm/pages/ServeAttachment.php/L/IT/D/D.e54313ecaf7ae893e249/P/BLOB%3AID%3D397>

**Table 9.4 Regressions to estimate the SOC stocks (t C ha<sup>-1</sup>) in the upper 30 cm as a function of aboveground biomass in the different Italian forest typologies**

	<b>Inventory typology</b>	<b>Regressions aboveground biomass – SOC (t C ha<sup>-1</sup>)</b>	<b>R<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>Standard error</b>
<i>stands</i>	norway spruce	y = 0.2218x + 73.005	0.0713	40.14
	silver fir	y = 0.2218x + 73.005	0.0713	40.14
	larches	y = 0.2218x + 73.005	0.0713	40.14
	mountain pines	y = 0.2218x + 73.005	0.0713	40.14
	mediterranean pines	y = 0.2218x + 73.005	0.0713	40.14
	other conifers	y = 0.2218x + 73.005	0.0713	40.14
	european beech	y = 0.2502x + 79.115	0.0925	44.10
	turkey oak	y = 0.2502x + 79.115	0.0925	44.10
	other oaks	y = 0.2502x + 79.115	0.0925	44.10
	other broadleaves	y = 0.2502x + 79.115	0.0925	44.10
<i>coppices</i>	european beech	y = 0.2683x + 70.208	0.073	33.39
	sweet chestnut	y = 0.2683x + 70.208	0.073	33.39
	hornbeams	y = 0.2683x + 70.208	0.073	33.39
	other oaks	y = 0.2683x + 70.208	0.073	33.39
	turkey oak	y = 0.2683x + 70.208	0.073	33.39
	evergreen oaks	y = 0.2683x + 70.208	0.073	33.39
	other broadleaves	y = 0.2683x + 70.208	0.073	33.39
	conifers	y = 0.2218x + 73.005	0.0713	40.14
	<i>plantations</i>	eucalyptuses coppices	y = 0.2683x + 70.208	0.073
other broadleaves coppices		y = 0.2683x + 70.208	0.073	33.39
poplars stands		y = 0.2502x + 79.115	0.0925	44.10
other broadleaves stands		y = 0.2502x + 79.115	0.0925	44.10
conifers stands		y = 0.2218x + 73.005	0.0713	40.14
<i>protective</i>	rupicolous forest	y = 0.3262x + 68.648	0.1338	38.96
	riparian forest	y = 0.3262x + 68.648	0.1338	38.96

Different trends in SOC stocks per hectare, for the different forest inventory typologies, have been inferred, as shown in table 9.5.

**Table 9.5 SOC stocks per hectare in the upper 30 cm, for the different forest inventory typologies**

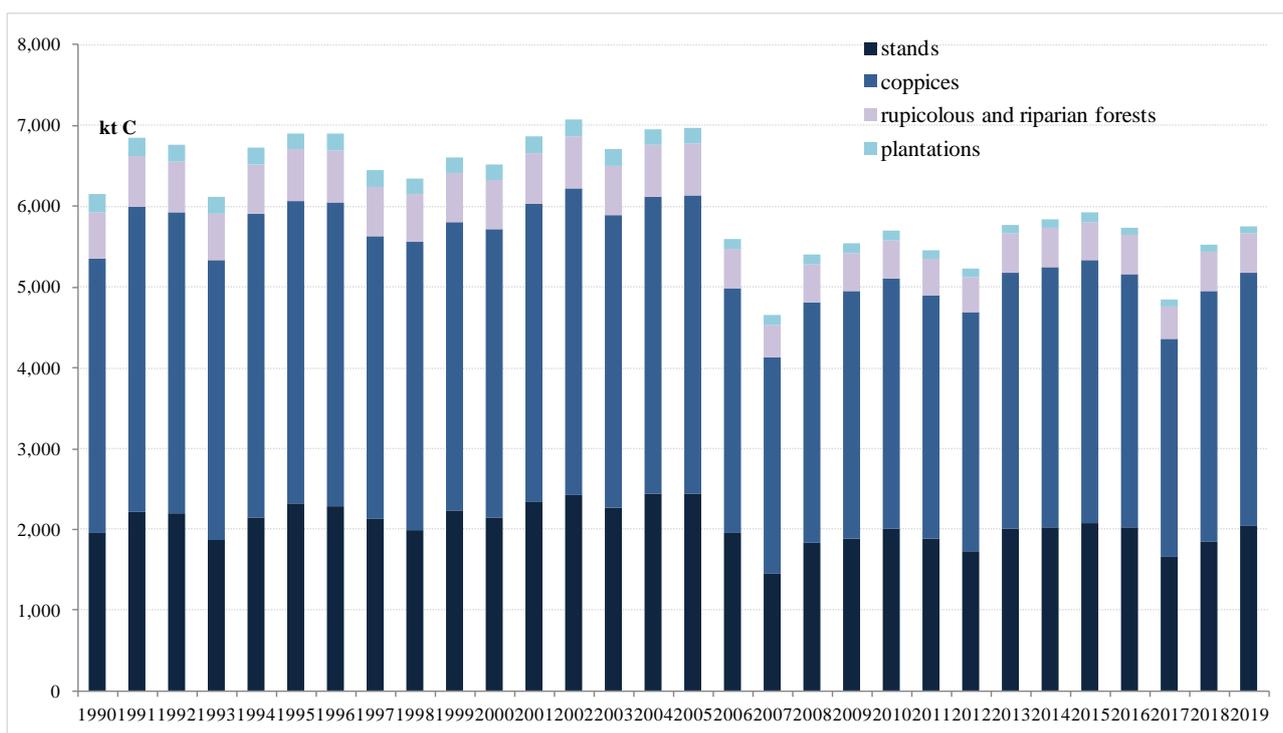
	<b>Inventory typology</b>	<b>1990</b>	<b>1995</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>
		<i>SOC stocks (t C ha<sup>-1</sup>)</i>									
<i>stands</i>	norway spruce	85.42	84.86	84.32	83.99	83.87	83.78	83.77	83.75	83.56	83.52
	silver fir	87.17	86.23	85.34	85.07	84.96	84.97	84.98	84.95	84.82	84.81
	larches	83.77	83.14	82.56	82.40	82.51	82.62	82.64	82.64	82.57	82.58
	mountain pines	83.81	84.64	85.34	86.37	87.32	88.40	88.63	88.74	88.89	89.11
	mediterranean pines	83.23	84.88	86.27	87.86	88.94	90.24	90.52	90.66	90.94	91.23
	other conifers	80.05	80.79	81.39	82.22	83.11	84.05	84.25	84.40	84.53	84.72
	european beech	98.73	98.50	98.39	98.69	98.93	99.62	99.82	99.80	99.93	100.13
	turkey oak	94.76	95.04	95.30	95.91	96.22	96.82	96.98	97.00	97.18	97.37
	other oaks	89.21	89.55	89.89	90.63	91.14	91.78	91.92	91.94	92.11	92.28
	other broadleaves	89.88	89.97	89.99	90.53	90.96	91.55	91.70	91.70	91.84	92.00
<i>coppices</i>	european beech	83.23	82.80	82.45	82.43	82.72	83.24	83.36	83.39	83.47	83.60
	sweet chestnut	84.10	87.09	89.55	92.15	94.79	97.62	98.17	98.50	99.06	99.60
	hornbeams	76.40	76.08	75.82	75.73	75.78	75.95	75.99	75.99	76.01	76.05
	other oaks	75.53	75.95	76.18	76.41	76.65	77.06	77.14	77.17	77.25	77.34
	turkey oak	79.18	78.68	78.26	78.03	77.97	78.15	78.20	78.18	78.24	78.29
	evergreen oaks	79.62	79.44	79.28	79.29	79.36	79.68	79.74	79.72	79.82	79.91
	other broadleaves	78.61	80.22	81.51	82.76	83.91	84.97	85.17	85.25	85.40	85.56
	conifers	80.00	80.43	80.81	81.41	82.07	82.87	83.04	83.15	83.29	83.45
	<i>plan</i> eucalyptuses coppices	83.72	87.06	88.15	88.83	88.99	88.93	88.84	88.54	88.72	88.87

Inventory typology	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
	SOC stocks (t C ha <sup>-1</sup> )									
other broadleaves coppices	84.15	86.95	88.25	89.14	89.80	90.19	90.23	90.11	90.22	90.29
poplars stands	87.84	91.09	93.49	95.70	97.33	98.28	98.39	98.48	98.56	98.63
other broadleaves stands	86.85	86.68	86.87	87.44	88.14	89.03	89.22	89.33	89.54	89.75
conifers stands	82.30	84.01	86.25	89.31	92.69	96.51	97.25	97.87	98.72	99.50
<i>protective</i> rupicolous forest	76.80	77.31	77.81	78.44	79.07	79.71	79.85	79.91	80.05	80.20
riparian forest	83.66	83.16	82.77	82.54	82.70	82.84	82.87	82.85	82.88	82.91

From SOC stock values reported in table 9.5 the SOC stock change values reported in table 9.6 and figure 9.3, for the different forest typologies have been calculated.

**Table 9.6 SOC stock changes in the upper 30 cm of the mineral soils at national level**

Inventory typology group	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
	SOC stock (kt C)									
stands	1,954	2,327	2,149	2,449	2,002	2,079	2,024	1,661	1,859	2,040
coppices	3,403	3,742	3,567	3,683	3,099	3,251	3,139	2,689	3,092	3,143
rupicolous and riparian forests	564	641	615	642	475	478	474	411	479	480
plantations	227	196	191	190	122	109	97	91	94	93
<b>Total</b>	<b>6,149</b>	<b>6,905</b>	<b>6,522</b>	<b>6,965</b>	<b>5,698</b>	<b>5,917</b>	<b>5,733</b>	<b>4,852</b>	<b>5,524</b>	<b>5,755</b>



**Figure 9.3 SOC stock changes in mineral soils of Italian forests**

A comparison of the model results versus data measured in the framework of the II NFI (INFC2005) has been carried out and results are shown in the following table 9.7:

**Table 9.7 Comparison between SOC stock estimates in the upper 30 cm depth for the entire national forest land territory derived from NFI 2005 and the For-est model**

	NFI 2005	For-est model	differences	
	t C= Mg	t C= Mg	t C= Mg	%
<b>SOC stock</b>	703,524,894	710,577,508	7,052,614	+1.00

Monte Carlo analysis has been carried out for the CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and removals from *Forest Land remaining Forest Land*, considering the different reporting pools (aboveground, belowground, litter, deadwood and soils), and the subcategories stands, coppices and rupicolous and riparian forests for the reporting year 2009, resulting equal to 49%.

In the following table 9.8, the results of the uncertainty assessment for soils pool are reported.

**Table 9.8 Monte Carlo uncertainty assessment for soils pool**

<b>Uncertainties for the different subcategories, year 2010</b>	
<i>Inventory typology group</i>	<i>%</i>
<b>stands</b>	44.65
<b>coppices</b>	67.35
<b>rupicolous and riparian forests</b>	58.52
<b>total</b>	<b>49.33</b>

### **3.5.3.7 Information on whether or not indirect and natural GHG emissions and removals have been factored out**

The net-net accounting factors out indirect and natural effects in all activities under Article 3.4 so far as these occur with a similar magnitude in both elements of the accounting, i.e., actual emissions and removals and those included in the reference value. For ARD activities, which a 0 value as reference, there are no methods agreed for factoring out removals; however, the gross-net accounting applied to those activities fully account for any subsequent reversal of removals associated with elevated atmospheric CO<sub>2</sub> concentration and nitrogen deposition so that such symmetry provides for factoring out from accounting those removals, although their factoring occurs across time. The projection of the FMRL factors out the impact of the pre-1990 activities as well as that of disturbances from FM while those impacts are negligible in CM and GM since biomass stocks have not asymmetries in the age class structure, if any, and are null in ARD activities since these occurred since 1990 only.

#### **9.3.1.3 Changes in data and methods since the previous submission (recalculations)**

A comprehensive comparison of 2021 and 2020 submissions has been carried out; in table 9.9 a summary related to the ARD and FM activities is reported, while in table 9.10 the recalculation are shown for each carbon pool, with reference to the 2018 reporting year.

The 2021 submission results, for AR activities, in a slight deviation for the Afforestation/Reforestation activities in 2018, due to the update of activity data harvest volume for some regions; no deviations for Deforestation activities, respect the previous estimates.

A decrease of 4.0% results by the comparison of the last two submissions for FM activities, FOR 2018, mainly due to the revision of FAOSTAT time series for wood-based panels, industrial roundwood, sawnwood, paper and paperboard, production, import and export) used to estimate HWP emissions and removals.

**Table 9.9 Summary of ARD recalculation from the comparison of the 2021 and 2020 submissions**

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
	<i>%</i>					
<b>AR</b>	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-1.8
<b>D</b>	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<b>FM</b>	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	-1.6	-4.0

**Table 9.10 ARD recalculation for carbon pool from the comparison of the 2021 and 2020 submissions**

2018	AR	D	FM
	<i>%</i>		
aboveground	-2.1	0.0	-2.6
belowground	-2.2	0.0	-2.7
litter	0.0	0.0	0.0
deadwood	0.0	0.0	0.0
soils	0.3	0.0	NA

2018	AR	D %	FM
HWP	NA	NA	217.5
<b>total</b>	<b>-1.8</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>-4.0</b>

The comparison of the 2021 and 2020 submissions resulted, for cropland management and grazing land activities, in a recalculation, shown in table 9.11, due to the update of activity data (i.e., areas subject to different management practices) and consequent recalculation of related soils C stock changes. Activity data related to organic soils has been also updated.

**Table 9.11 CM and GM recalculation from the comparison of the 2021 and 2020 submissions**

	1990	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
	%						
<b>CM</b>	63.7	6.3	-12.6	-21.9	-9.0	-12.3	-11.4
<b>GM</b>	-5.5	1.9	-1.2	1.3	5.1	9.7	18.8

The GHG emissions biomass burning have been recalculated in 2021 submission, resulting in an increase of reported emissions as shown in table 9.12.

**Table 9.11 Biomass burning recalculation from the comparison of the 2021 and 2020 submissions**

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
	%					
<b>AR</b>						
area	1.7	0.0	0.2	0.1	0.0	24.8
CO <sub>2</sub>	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
CH <sub>4</sub>	17.9	10.4	-1.6	5.5	5.8	35.6
N <sub>2</sub> O	17.9	10.4	-1.6	5.5	5.8	35.6
<b>FM</b>						
area	1.7	0.0	0.2	0.1	0.0	24.8
CO <sub>2</sub>	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
CH <sub>4</sub>	17.9	10.4	-1.6	5.5	5.8	35.6
N <sub>2</sub> O	17.9	10.4	-1.6	5.5	5.8	35.6
<b>CM</b>						
area	-	-	-	-	-	-
CO <sub>2</sub>	-	-	-	-	-	-
CH <sub>4</sub>	-	-	-	-	-	-
N <sub>2</sub> O	-	-	-	-	-	-

The detailed list of the driver for the recalculation in the KP-activities is reported in table 9.13.

**Table 9.13 Drivers for the recalculation in the KP-activities**

	CO <sub>2</sub>	CH <sub>4</sub>	N <sub>2</sub> O
<b>Afforestation-Reforestation</b>	- Update of the activity data.		
<b>Forest Management</b>			
<b>Cropland Management</b>	- update of activity data (i.e. areas subject to different management practices) and consequent recalculation of related soils C stock changes. Activity data related to organic soils has been also updated.	- update of F <sub>SOM</sub> , recalculated on the basis of the updated soils C stock changes of land converted to cropland.	

	CO <sub>2</sub>	CH <sub>4</sub>	N <sub>2</sub> O
<b>Grazing land management</b>	- update of activity data (i.e. areas subject to different management practices) and consequent recalculation of related soils C stock changes. Activity data related to organic soils has been also updated.		
<b>HWP</b>	- revision of FAOSTAT time series for wood-based panels, industrial roundwood, sawnwood, paper and paperboard, production, import and export).		
<b>Biomass Burning</b>	- Update of the model used to estimate GHG emissions from fires: R- coding, modification of gap-filling procedure for estimate emissions for missing data/parameters (affecting 1990-2007 period), errors fixing.		

#### 9.3.1.4 Uncertainty estimates

It was assumed that uncertainty estimates for forest land also apply for lands under FM (par. 6.2.5). The uncertainties related to the different pools are reported, for 2018, in Table 9.14.

**Table 9.14 FM uncertainty for the year 2019**

<i>Aboveground biomass</i>	E <sub>AG</sub>	42.64%
<i>Belowground biomass</i>	E <sub>BG</sub>	52.14%
<i>Dead mass</i>	E <sub>D</sub>	42.89%
<i>Litter</i>	E <sub>L</sub>	43.80%
<i>Overall uncertainty</i>	<b>E</b>	<b>35.39%</b>

The uncertainties for Article 3.3 activities estimates are expected to be higher. It can be assumed that the given uncertainty analysis in Table 9.14 covers the uncertainty of all gains and all losses in living tree biomass under FM and ARD.

Concerning *cropland management*, it was assumed that the uncertainty assessment carried out for cropland category also apply to land subject to CM. Additional details are reported in par. 6.3.5. Concerning *grazing land management*, the uncertainty assessment was carried out on the basis of information and values included in the 2013 KP Supplement (IPCC, 2014) and the 2006 IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006). In the following table 9.15 the CM and GM uncertainties are shown.

**Table 9.15 CM and GM uncertainties**

	1990	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
	%							
CM - <i>Living biomass</i>	18.7	28.2	19.9	20.4	23.2	16.17.1	14.2	18.5
CM - <i>Soils</i>	15.5	10.6	9.3	7.9	7.3	7.2	7.4	7.9
Total CM	15.0	54.2	69.5	213.9	16.6	18.6	25.8	22.9
GM - <i>Soils</i>	35.7	33.2	24.0	33.6	31.0	82.7	78.3	70.0

A Monte Carlo analysis has been carried out to assess uncertainty for the LULUCF sector, including forest land, cropland and grassland category (considering both land remaining land and land converted to other land uses). A detailed description of the results is reported in Annex 1.

#### 9.3.1.5 Information on other methodological issues

Italy has decided to account for the emissions and removals under Article 3 paragraphs 3 and 4 at the end of the commitment period. The inventory of land use (IUTI, see Annex 10) has been completed, resulting in land use classification, for all national territory, for the years 1990, 2000 and 2008 (Corona et al., 2012, Marchetti et al., 2012). For 2012, land use and land use changes data were assessed through the survey, carried out in the framework of the III NFI, on an IUTI's subgrid (i.e. 301,300 points, covering the entire country). Verification and validation activities have been undertaken and the resulting time series have been discussed with the

institutions involved in the data providing (i.e. National Forest Service, Ministry of Agricultural, Food and Forestry Policies (MIPAAF), Forest Monitoring and Planning Research Unit (CRA-MPF)).

An in-depth verification process has been carried out to compare the implied carbon stock change per area (IEF), related to the aboveground and belowground pools, with the IEFs reported by other Parties. The 2020 submission<sup>59</sup> has been considered to deduce the different IEFs; in Figure 9.4 the comparison is showed, taking into account the IEFs for both the AR and FM activities, for the aboveground and belowground pools.

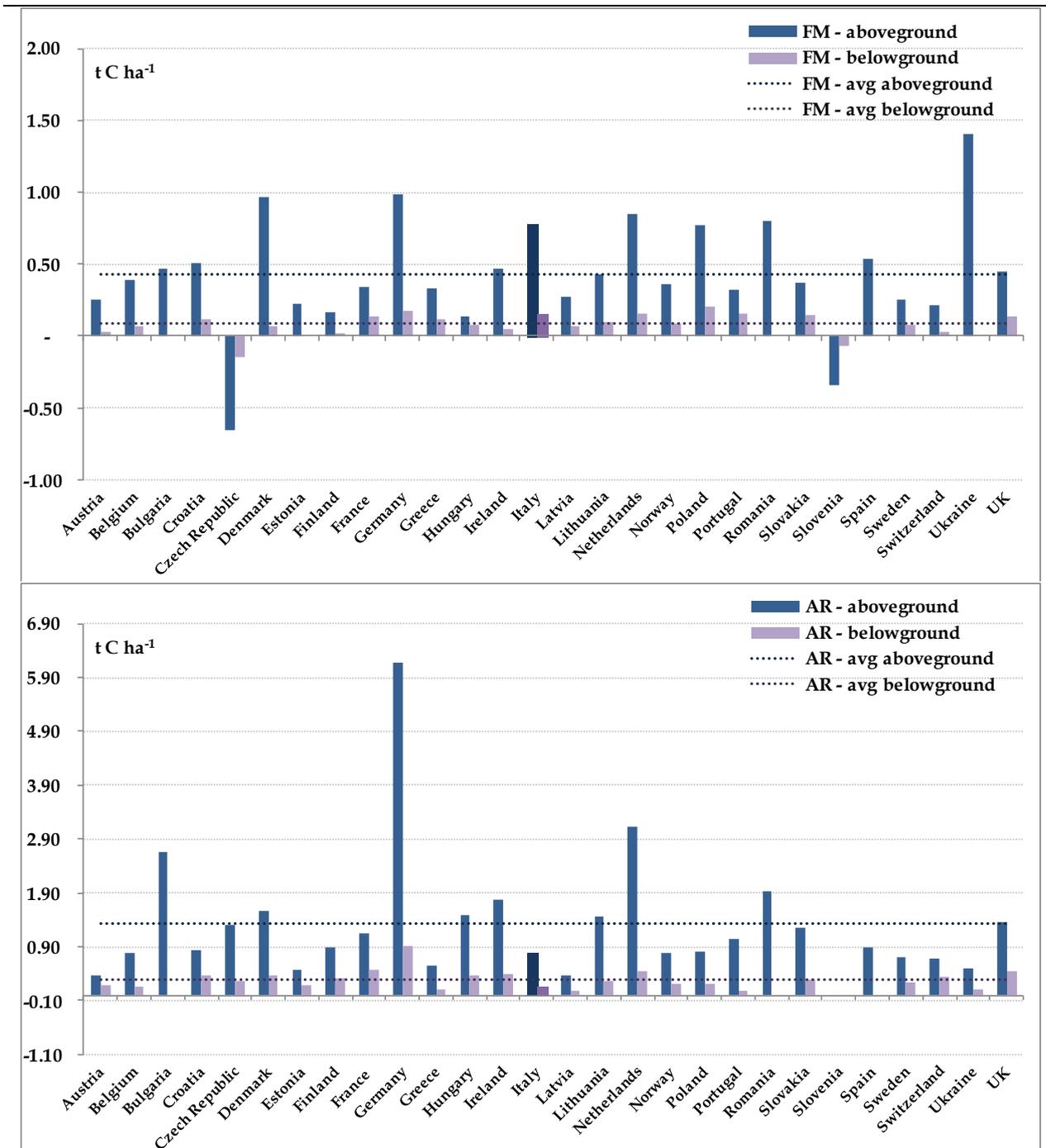


Figure 9.4 AR and FM biomass Implied carbon stock change factors

### 9.3.1.6 The year of the onset of an activity, if after 2008

For the ARD activities (Art. 3.3), Italy reports all the area subject to these activities since 1<sup>st</sup> January 1990.

<sup>59</sup> <https://unfccc.int/ghg-inventories-annex-i-parties/2020>

The entire Italian forest area is subject to sustainable FM practices since before 1990, so that the onset of the activity is 1990. Same consideration applies to CM and GM, which practices have been established before 1990, so that the onset of the activity is 1990.

## 9.4 Article 3.3

### 9.4.1 Information that demonstrates that activities under Article 3.3 began on or after 1 January 1990 and before 31 December 2012 and are direct human-induced

Changes in forest area were detected on the basis of national forest inventories data (§ section 9.2).

The following *afforestation/reforestation* activities that occurred or could have occurred on or after 1990 (table 9.16) are included in the reporting of these activities:

- Planted or seeded cropland and grassland;
- Abandoned arable lands, which are forested, through the human-induced promotion of natural seed sources.

In Italy, the entire area is considered as managed regardless of the land use category to which belong (cropland, grassland, forest land); therefore, any change in the management activities and consequently in the land use is direct human-induced.

*Afforested/reforested* areas are to be considered legally bound by national legislation<sup>60</sup>. Usually, these activities have resulted from a decision to change the land use by tree planting or seeding. In abandoned agricultural land forest vegetation regrows naturally, although the protection<sup>61</sup> activity to which each land with forest colonization is subject, including fire suppression<sup>62</sup>, qualifies the land as subject to AR<sup>63</sup> activity.

In addition, afforestation and reforestation activities are essentially linked to political decisions under the EEC Regulations 2080/92 and 1257/99 (art.10.1 and 31.1), therefore induced by man. Articles 10.1 and 31.1 of the EEC Regulations 1257/99 (Council Regulation (EC) No 1257/1999 of 17 May 1999 on support for rural development from the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund (EAGGF)) refer directly to the provision of incomes for elderly farmers who decide to stop farming and to the support granted for the afforestation of agricultural land.

**Table 9.16 Cumulative area estimates (kha) under Article 3.3 activities Afforestation/Reforestation for different years**

Afforestation /Reforestation	1990-2008	1990-2009	1990-2010	1990-2011	1990-2012	1990-2013	1990-2014	1990-2015	1990-2016	1990-2017	1990-2018	1990-2019
	<i>kha</i>											
Abruzzo	59.1	61.7	64.2	66.8	69.4	72.0	74.6	77.3	79.9	82.5	85.2	87.8
Basilicata	45.5	47.6	49.6	51.7	53.8	55.9	58.0	60.1	62.2	64.4	66.5	68.7
Calabria	81.7	85.4	89.1	92.9	96.6	100.4	104.2	108.1	111.9	115.8	119.7	123.6
Campania	60.7	63.1	65.4	67.7	70.0	72.3	74.6	76.9	79.2	81.4	83.7	85.9
Emilia-Romagna	91.3	94.9	98.5	102.1	105.7	109.3	112.8	116.4	120.0	123.5	127.0	130.6
Friuli-Venezia Giulia	55.2	57.4	59.5	61.7	63.8	66.0	68.1	70.2	72.3	74.5	76.6	78.7
Lazio	88.7	92.7	96.7	100.7	104.8	108.9	113.0	117.1	121.3	125.4	129.6	133.8
Liguria	54.4	56.6	58.8	61.0	63.2	65.4	67.7	69.9	72.1	74.3	76.5	78.7
Lombardia	100.6	104.5	108.4	112.2	116.0	119.8	123.6	127.4	131.2	134.9	138.7	142.4
Marche	46.8	48.6	50.4	52.2	54.0	55.7	57.5	59.2	61.0	62.7	64.5	66.2

<sup>60</sup> In particular: Law Decree n. 227/2001; Law n. 353/2000; Law 1497/1939; Law Decree n. 3267/1923; 985, Law n. 431

<sup>61</sup> Law Decree n. 3267/1923 updated in 1999, (protection through AR, art.39 and art. 75, clear-cut ban in AR land, art. 51, subsidies for AR of bare land and grassland, art. 90 and 91).

<sup>62</sup> Law Decree 227/2001 Law 353/2000, Law 431/1985, even though focused on specific issues as forest fires and to the protection of nature and landscape are coherent with the previous decrees and complete the legislative framework on the issue; for example, for burnt areas no land use change is allowed and for forest areas, natural restoration of previous ecosystem occurs.

<sup>63</sup> "Afforestation" is the direct human-induced conversion of land that has not been forested for a period of at least 50 years to forested land through planting, seeding and/or the human-induced promotion of natural seed sources.

"Reforestation" is the direct human-induced conversion of non-forested land to forested land through planting, seeding and/or the human-induced promotion of natural seed sources, on land that was forested but that has been converted to non-forested land. For the first commitment period, reforestation activities will be limited to reforestation occurring on those lands that did not contain forest on 31 December 1989.

Afforestation /Reforestation	1990-2008	1990-2009	1990-2010	1990-2011	1990-2012	1990-2013	1990-2014	1990-2015	1990-2016	1990-2017	1990-2018	1990-2019
	<i>kha</i>											
Molise	21.0	22.1	23.2	24.4	25.5	26.7	27.8	29.0	30.2	31.4	32.7	33.9
Piemonte	142.9	148.4	153.9	159.5	164.9	170.4	175.9	181.3	186.8	192.2	197.6	202.9
Puglia	24.4	25.6	26.8	28.0	29.2	30.4	31.6	32.8	34.1	35.3	36.6	37.9
Sardegna	83.5	86.7	90.0	93.2	96.4	99.6	102.8	106.0	109.2	112.4	115.5	118.7
Sicilia	46.1	48.3	50.5	52.7	55.0	57.2	59.5	61.8	64.1	66.5	68.8	71.2
Toscana	170.2	176.8	183.4	190.0	196.5	203.1	209.6	216.1	222.6	229.1	235.6	242.0
Trentino Alto-Adige	122.2	126.6	131.1	135.5	139.9	144.2	148.5	152.8	157.1	161.3	165.5	169.7
<i>Bolzano-Bozen</i>	<i>56.2</i>	<i>57.7</i>	<i>59.0</i>	<i>60.3</i>	<i>61.6</i>	<i>62.8</i>	<i>63.9</i>	<i>65.0</i>	<i>66.1</i>	<i>67.0</i>	<i>68.0</i>	<i>68.9</i>
<i>Trento</i>	<i>65.9</i>	<i>69.0</i>	<i>72.1</i>	<i>75.2</i>	<i>78.3</i>	<i>81.4</i>	<i>84.6</i>	<i>87.8</i>	<i>91.0</i>	<i>94.3</i>	<i>97.5</i>	<i>100.8</i>
Umbria	59.0	61.5	64.0	66.5	69.0	71.5	74.0	76.5	79.0	81.5	84.0	86.6
Valle d'Aosta	16.8	17.4	18.1	18.8	19.4	20.1	20.7	21.4	22.1	22.7	23.4	24.1
Veneto	66.5	69.1	71.7	74.3	76.9	79.5	82.0	84.6	87.2	89.7	92.3	94.8
<b>Italia</b>	<b>1,437</b>	<b>1,495</b>	<b>1,553</b>	<b>1,612</b>	<b>1,670</b>	<b>1,728</b>	<b>1,787</b>	<b>1,845</b>	<b>1,903</b>	<b>1,962</b>	<b>2,020</b>	<b>2,078</b>

Concerning *deforestation* activities, in Italy land use changes from forest to other land use categories are allowed in very limited circumstances, as stated in art. 4.2 of the Law Decree n. 227 of 2001 and only where authorized through an administrative act. *Deforestation* areas have been collected for years 2005 and 2012 by the surveys carried out in the framework of the NFIs. Consequently, areas for the time series 2006-2011 have been inferred through linear interpolation and those for the years 2013-2019 have been inferred through linear extrapolation. Administrative records at NUT2 level collected by the National Institute of Statistics on deforested areas have been used for the period 1990-2005. Activities planned in the framework of the registry for carbon sinks are expected to refine these estimates.

#### **9.4.2 Information on how harvesting or forest disturbance that is followed by the re-establishment of forest is distinguished from deforestation**

Extensive forest disturbances have been rare in Italy, except for wildfires; however, land-use change after wildfires is forbidden by law (n. 353 of 2000, art.10.1). In addition, clear-cutting is a not allowed practice (Law Decree n. 227 of 2001, art. 6.2).

Data collected on deforested land through visual interpretation assessed whether a different use of the land was present in areas that have lost the tree cover; in absence of a new land use the area is still classified as forest, although under regeneration, while in case of a new land use the area is considered deforested. Data collected by the Italian Statistical office refer to administrative acts that authorized deforestation so that no confusion is possible.

#### **9.4.3 Information on the size and geographical location of forest areas that have lost forest cover, but which are not yet classified as deforested**

As reported in the previous section, only forest fires, and in exceptional cases windstorm, cause a total forest cover loss since clear-cut is forbidden by law. However, disturbed areas cannot be converted as it is an illegal practice. Considering that the cause of tree cover loss is always identified through photointerpretation of aerial photos (IUTI), there are not forest areas which have lost their tree cover and are not yet either confirmed in their forest classification (disturbed areas) or already classified under their new land use (deforested areas).

#### **9.4.4 Information related to the natural disturbances provision under article 3.3**

Italy intends to apply the provisions to exclude emissions and subsequent removals associated with natural disturbances from the accounting of afforestation and reforestation (AR) under art. 3.3 during the second commitment period in accordance with provision in paragraph 33 of the annex to decision 2/CMP.7.

The AR background level of emissions associated with disturbances has been developed, based on country-specific information, in accordance with paragraphs 33(a) and (b) of the Annex to Decision 2/CMP.7 and related guidance provided by the 2013 KP Supplement (IPCC, 2014).

In table 9.17 the total and the area specific emissions from disturbance for the calibration period for AR activities have been reported.

**Table 9.17 Total and area specific emissions from disturbances for the calibration period for AR**

Disturbance type*	Inventory year during the calibration period																													
	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
	Total annual emission [kt CO <sub>2</sub> eq.]																													
Wildfires	450	145	215	544	222	116	109	398	448	277	386	269	155	355	164	187	130	842	309	335	151	300	802	111	139	201	227	1339	141	126
Insect attacks and disease infestations																														
extreme weather events																														
geological disturbances																														
other																														
<b>SUM</b>	450	145	215	544	222	116	109	398	448	277	386	269	155	355	164	187	130	842	309	335	151	300	802	111	139	201	227	1,339	141	126
	Total area [kha]																													
<b>For all land under AR</b>	74	148	221	295	369	443	516	590	664	738	811	885	959	1033	1106	1177	1231	1285	1437	1495	1553	1612	1670	1728	1787	1845	1903	1962	2020	2078
	Area-specific emissions (Emissions per unit of land area under AR, kt CO <sub>2</sub> eq. ha <sup>-1</sup> )**																													
	6.09	0.98	0.97	1.84	0.60	0.26	0.21	0.67	0.68	0.38	0.48	0.30	0.16	0.34	0.15	0.16	0.11	0.66	0.22	0.22	0.10	0.19	0.48	0.06	0.08	0.11	0.12	0.68	0.07	0.06

\*\* In any year, emissions per unit of land area are calculated as the Sum divided by the total area under AR

The background level has been developed following the default method outlined in the 2013 KP Supplement (IPCC, 2014), applying the following steps:

- (1) Calculation of the arithmetic mean of the area-specific annual emissions for AR summed over disturbance types using all years in the calibration period;
- (2) Calculation of the corresponding standard deviation (SD) of the annual emissions;
- (3) Checking whether any emission estimate is greater than the arithmetic mean plus twice the SD. In this case, such estimate(s) has(ve) been removed from the dataset and go back to step (1) above using the reduced dataset.

When no further outliers can be identified, the arithmetic mean and twice the SD, as calculated in the last step of the iterative process, define the background level and the margin, respectively.

The expectation of net credits has been avoided comparing the emissions resulting by the application of step (3) above with the mean minus twice the SD (in this case emissions should not be removed from the dataset).

The main components related to background level and margin estimation process for AR activities have been reported in table 9.18.

**Table 9.18 Components of background level and margin for AR activities**

<i>Calibration period</i>	1990 - 2019
<i>Method used</i>	IPCC default
<i>Background level</i>	0.29 kt CO <sub>2</sub> eq.
<i>Margin</i>	0.43 kt CO <sub>2</sub> eq.
<i>Background level plus margin</i>	0.72 kt CO <sub>2</sub> eq.
<i>Number of years of the complete time series excluded as outliers</i>	4
<i>Excluded years</i>	1990, 1991, 1992, 1993

### 9.4.5 Information on Harvested Wood Products under article 3.3

Annual changes in carbon stocks and associated CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and removals from the Harvested Wood Products (HWP) pool under article 3.3 are estimated following the production approach described in the Annex to Volume 4, Chapter 12, of the 2006 IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006), in line with Decision 2/CMP.7 and the guidance provided by the 2013 KP Supplement (IPCC, 2014). All wood originated from deforestation is assigned to fuelwood, so that there are not HWP originating from *deforestation* activity. HWP originated from *afforestation/reforestation* activities have been included in the HWP contribution calculated for *forest management*.

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## 9.5 Article 3.4

### 9.5.1 *Information that demonstrates that activities under Article 3.4 have occurred since 1 January 1990 and are human induced*

FM, CM and GM do not occur in absence of human actions, so these are human-induced, or better anthropogenic, activities. FM, CM and GM have occurred since 1990, indeed, FM covers the area subject to sustainable forest management practices since 1990, not subject to subsequent conversions, and CM and GM have in 1990 their base year, counterfactual, values.

### 9.5.2 *Information relating to Forest Management*

The forest resource in Italy has progressively reached 12 million hectares (forest land plus other wooded land), mostly in mountain and hilly areas, covering today 39% of the national surface, with a progressive increase since the 70's. with an expansion rate of about 78 kha y<sup>-1</sup> in the year 2000, and 53.8 kha y<sup>-1</sup> in the year 2010. Laws n. 3267 of 1923 and n. 431 of 1985, impose a restriction on the uses of all forest land. Forest harvesting occurs only according to prescriptions and plans, as approved by regional administrations. The land-use change from forest to any other land use is not allowed unless specifically authorized by the regional administration under specific circumstances with the obligation to afforest an area of equivalent surface. Any illegal harvest and forest clearing is pursued by the law, and the forest replantation is always imposed. Historical management practices in the Italian forests have been guided by the Legislative Decree n. 227 of 18 May 2001, although the design and implementation of specific guidelines has been carried out at regional level. Indeed, according to the Italian Constitutional Law, the forest management is a regional competence. The Legislative Decree n. 227/2001 provides 5 general guidance on forest management:

- protect forest ecosystem functions, genetic resources, water basins and landscape;
- avoid conversion of forest land to other land uses, and where occurring apply compensative reforestations with endemic species;
- avoid conversion from forest stands to coppices;
- avoid clear-cut;
- conserve biodiversity, including true conservation of old trees and dead wood.

From 2008 onward, such guidance has been further elaborated in the Framework Program for the Forestry Sector (Programma Quadro per il Settore Forestale - PQSF) for the protection, enhancement and sustainable management of the national forest patrimony in compliance with the commitments undertaken at international and European level. Such goals have to be achieved within 4 area of action: bio-economy; conservation, including conservation and enhancement of the forest carbon stocks; rural and social development; socio-recreational and educational functions and public awareness. With the entry into force of the Testo Unico in materia di Foreste e Filiere forestali (TUFF), the National Forest Strategy (Strategia Forestale Nazionale - SFN) is expected to be established by the 2020, in continuation of the above-mentioned PQSF (paragraph 1, Article 6, Legislative Decree 3 April 2018, n. 34).

#### 9.5.2.1 *Conversion of natural forest to planted forest*

Conversion of natural forest to planted forest is not occurring.

#### 9.5.2.2 *Forest Management Reference Level (FMRL)*

The forest management reference level (FMRL<sup>64</sup>) for Italy, inscribed in the appendix to the annex to decision 2/CMP.7, is equal to -21.182 Mt CO<sub>2</sub> eq. per year assuming instantaneous oxidation of the harvested wood products (HWP), and -22.166 Mt CO<sub>2</sub> eq. applying a first-order decay function for HWP. According to the decision 2/CMP.7, paragraph 29 of the annex, the accounting shall be on the basis of the changes in the HWP pool during the second and subsequent commitment periods, estimated using the first-order decay function. Consequently, applying a first-order decay function for HWP, the FMRL for Italy is equal is -22.166 Mt CO<sub>2</sub> eq., as inscribed in the appendix to the annex to decision 2/CMP.7.

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<sup>64</sup> Submission of information on forest management reference levels by Italy:

[http://unfccc.int/files/meetings/ad\\_hoc\\_working\\_groups/kp/application/pdf/awgkp\\_italy\\_2011.pdf](http://unfccc.int/files/meetings/ad_hoc_working_groups/kp/application/pdf/awgkp_italy_2011.pdf)

Communication of 11 May 2011 regarding harvested wood products value by Italy:

[http://unfccc.int/files/meetings/ad\\_hoc\\_working\\_groups/kp/application/pdf/awgkp\\_italy\\_corr.pdf](http://unfccc.int/files/meetings/ad_hoc_working_groups/kp/application/pdf/awgkp_italy_corr.pdf)

Italy is one of the member States of the EU for which the JRC of the European Commission developed projections in collaboration with two EU modeling groups. The FMRL<sup>65</sup> is the average value of the projected time series of emissions and removals associated with forest management (FM) for the period 2013-2020, on the basis of forest data and of policies implemented before 2010. Aboveground and belowground biomass, dead organic matter and HWP pools are included in the FMRL. Non-CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from forest wildfires are also included in the FMRL.

### 9.5.2.3 Technical Corrections of FMRL

According to Decision 2/CMP.7, methodological consistency between the FMRL and reporting for *forest management* during the second commitment period has to be ensured, applying technical correction if necessary. Following the guidance provided by the 2013 KP Supplement (IPCC, 2014), the methodological elements listed in paragraph 2.7.5.2 (IPCC, 2014) have been analysed, providing a description on the detected inconsistencies (table 9.19).

**Table 9.19 Methodological elements triggering a methodological inconsistency between the FMRL and FM reporting**

Criteria	Description
The method used for GHG reporting (for Forest land remaining forest land or Forest Management) changed after the adoption of FMRL	The FMRL has been calculated with the EU models G4M (IIASA) and EFISCEN (EFI). Estimates of emissions and removals under FM activities have been carried out with the <i>For-est</i> growth model, which is used to estimate the net change of carbon in the five reporting pools.
Forest characteristics and related management <sup>66</sup>	Availability of new data resulting from the ongoing NFI and consequent recalculations of the reported data under FM and <i>Forest Land Remaining Forest Land used</i> to establish the reference level
Harvested wood products	The estimates have been carried out on the basis of the 2013 KP Supplement (IPCC, 2014) methodology

The recommendation received in the technical assessment (UNFCCC, 2011, §3.7) of the FMRL highlighted the need to make a “technical adjustment to the FMRL when final agreement on the HWP estimation is reached”.

The changes related to the methodological elements listed in Table 9.19 trigger a methodological inconsistency between the FMRL and FM reporting, to be addressed through a technical correction (TC). Therefore, to ensure methodological consistency between the FMRL and the reporting for Forest Management during the second commitment period, the FMRL has been recalculated (FMRL<sub>corr</sub>) in order to deduce the technical correction to the FRML.

Basically, the rationale for the calculating the FMRL<sub>corr</sub> is to address the elements of methodological inconsistency as listed in the Table 9.19. The key element is the use, in the elaboration of the FMRL<sub>corr</sub>, of the same model used in the FM reporting (i.e. the *For-est* model, as described in paragraphs 6.2.4 and 9.3.1.1). In addition, the latest available activity data (i.e. forest areas, harvest statistics, fires occurrences) have been used and the HWP have been estimated following the 2013 KP Supplement (IPCC, 2014) methodology. The resulting FMRL<sub>corr</sub> and the related technical correction is provided in the following table 9.20.

**Table 9.20 Technical correction and FMRL<sub>corr</sub>**

	Emissions and removals (Gg yr <sup>-1</sup> )
FMRL	-22,166
FMRL <sub>corr</sub>	-23,846
difference in %	8%

<sup>65</sup> When constructing the FMRL, the following elements were taken into account: (a) removals or emissions from forest management as shown in GHG inventories and relevant historical data, (b) age-class structure, (c) forest management activities already undertaken, (d) projected forest management activities under business as usual, (e) continuity with the treatment of forest management in the first commitment period.

<sup>66</sup> This includes, among others: age-class structure, increment, species composition, rotation lengths, management practices, etc.

<b>Emissions and removals (<math>Gg\ yr^{-1}</math>)</b>	
Technical Correction	-1,680
Accounting Parameter	23,846

#### 9.5.2.4 Information related to the natural disturbances provision under article 3.4

Italy intends to apply the provisions to exclude emissions and subsequent removals associated with natural disturbances from the accounting of forest management under art. 3.4 during the second commitment period in accordance with paragraph 33 of the annex to decision 2/CMP.7.

The FM background level of emissions associated with disturbances has been developed, on the basis of country-specific information, in accordance with paragraphs 33(a) and (b) of the annex to Decision 2/CMP.7 and related guidance provided by the 2013 KP Supplement (IPCC, 2014).

In table 9.21 the total and the area specific emissions from disturbance for the calibration period for FM activities are reported.

**Table 9.21 Total and area specific emissions from disturbances for the calibration period for FM**

Disturbance type*	Total and area specific emissions from disturbances for the calibration period for FM																													
	Inventory year during the calibration period																													
	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
	Total annual emission [kt CO <sub>2</sub> eq.]																													
Wildfires	4,506	1,365	1,913	4,589	1,779	889	782	2,670	2,837	1,657	2,194	1,455	803	1,756	778	852	608	4,019	1,512	1,675	772	1,576	4,308	610	782	1,162	1,346	8,126	880	805
Insect attacks and disease infestations																														
extreme weather events																														
geological disturbances																														
other																														
<b>SUM</b>	4,506	1,365	1,913	4,589	1,779	889	782	2,670	2,837	1,657	2,194	1,455	803	1,756	778	852	608	4,019	1,512	1,675	772	1,576	4,308	610	782	1,162	1,346	8,126	880	805
	Total area [kha]																													
<b>For all land under FM</b>	7511	7510	7510	7509	7508	7508	7507	7506	7505	7505	7504	7503	7502	7502	7501	7497	7494	7490	7486	7483	7479	7475	7471	7468	7464	7460	7457	7453	7449	7446
	Area-specific emissions (Emissions per unit of land area under FM, kt CO <sub>2</sub> eq. ha <sup>-1</sup> )**																													
	0.60	0.18	0.25	0.61	0.24	0.12	0.10	0.36	0.38	0.22	0.29	0.19	0.11	0.23	0.10	0.11	0.08	0.54	0.20	0.22	0.10	0.21	0.58	0.08	0.10	0.16	0.18	1.09	0.12	0.11

\*\* In any year, emissions per unit of land area are calculated as the Sum divided by the total area under FM

The background level has been developed following the default method outlined in the 2013 KP Supplement (IPCC, 2014), applying the following steps:

- (1) Calculation of the arithmetic mean of the annual emissions for FM summed over disturbance types using all years in the calibration period;
- (2) Calculation of the corresponding standard deviation (SD) of the annual emissions;
- (3) Checking whether any emission estimate is greater than the arithmetic mean plus twice the SD. In this case, such estimate(s) has(ve) been removed from the dataset and go back to step (1) above using the reduced dataset.

When no further outliers can be identified, the arithmetic mean and twice the SD, as calculated in the last step of the iterative process, define the background level and the margin, respectively.

The expectation of net credits has been avoided comparing the emissions resulting by the application of step (3) above with the mean minus twice the SD (in this case the emissions should not be removed from the dataset).

The main components related to background level and margin estimation process for FM activities have been reported in table 9.22.

**Table 9.22 Components of background level and margin for FM activities**

<i>Calibration period</i>	1990 - 2019
<i>Method used</i>	IPCC default
<i>Background level</i>	1,171 kt CO <sub>2</sub> eq.
<i>Margin</i>	869 kt CO <sub>2</sub> eq.
<i>Background level plus margin</i>	2,040 kt CO <sub>2</sub> eq.
<i>Number of years of the complete time series excluded as outliers</i>	8
<i>Excluded years</i>	1990, 1993, 1997, 1998, 2000, 2007, 2012, 2017

### 9.5.2.5 Information on Harvested Wood Products under article 3.4

Annual changes in carbon stocks and associated CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and removals from the Harvested Wood Products (HWP) pool under article 3.4 are estimated, following the production approach described in the Annex to Volume 4, Chapter 12, of the 2006 IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006), in line with Decision 2/CMP.7 and applying methodological guidance provided by the 2013 KP Supplement (IPCC, 2014).

Emissions from this source are mainly influenced by the trend in forest harvest rates; in 2016, the net emissions and removals from harvested wood products were -161.90 kt CO<sub>2</sub>. Details on HWP in use from 1961 onwards are reported in Figure 6.10 (§6.13.2).

The activity data (production of sawnwood, wood-based panels and paper and paperboard) are derived from FAO<sup>67</sup> forest product statistics. Italy uses the same methodology to estimate annual changes in carbon stocks and associated CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and removals from the HWP pools under UNFCCC and KP, following the Decision 2/CMP.7, paragraph 29, namely “transparent and verifiable activity data for harvested wood products categories are available, and accounting is based on the change in the harvested wood products pool of the second commitment period, estimated using the first-order decay function”. For more information on the methodology applied see section 6.13.

The annual change in stock for the period 1990-2019, disaggregated into sawnwood, wood-based panels and paper & paperboard, is reported in figure 9.5.

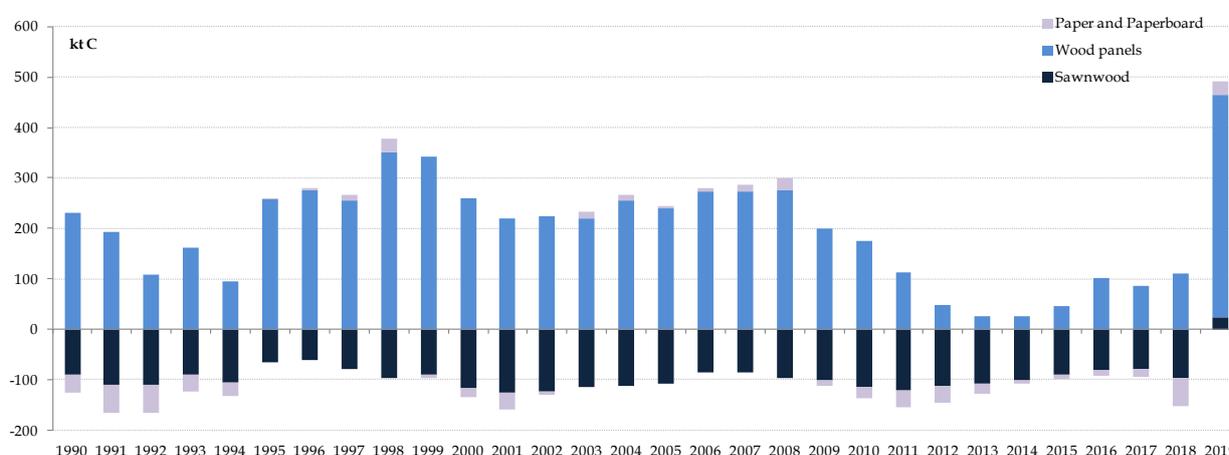


Figure 9.5 Annual change in stock (kt C) for the period 1990-2019

### 9.5.3 Information relating to Cropland Management, Grazing Land Management, Revegetation and Wetland Drainage and Rewetting if elected, for the base year

As shown in table 9.23, part of the area subject to *cropland management* activities in 1990 is no longer reported under CM or other art. 3.3 or art. 3.4 elected activity.

For CM and GM, the guidance provided in the 2013 KP Supplement (IPCC, 2014) acknowledges to account as zero any land that was under CM or GM in the base year and that, therefore, was never accounted in any of the commitment period years.

Table 9.23 Area subject to CM and GM activities in 1990 (base year), and 2013-2019

	1990	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
	kha	kha	kha	kha	kha	kha	kha	kha
<i>Cropland management</i>	10,730	9,000	9,000	9,000	9,000	9,000	9,000	9,000
<i>Grazing land management</i>	3,826	3,654	3,949	3,806	3,763	3,645	3,616	3,554

Consequently, the GHG contribution of 1,730 kha (10,730 kha in 1990 minus 9,000 kha in 2013) in 1990 has been excluded from the base year GHG estimates of CM.

<sup>67</sup> Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations: forest product statistics, <http://faostat3.fao.org/download/F/FO/E>

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## 9.6 Other information

### 9.6.1 Key category analysis for Article 3.3 activities and any elected activities under Article 3.4

Key category analysis for KP-LULUCF activities was carried out according to section 2.3.6 of the 2013 KP Supplement (IPCC, 2014). In the following table 9.24 a summary overview for key categories for LULUCF activities under the Kyoto Protocol is reported.

**Table 9.24 Summary overview for key categories for LULUCF activities under Kyoto Protocol**

Key categories of emissions and removals	Criteria used for key category identification			Comments
	Gas	Associated category in UNFCCC inventory is key	Category contribution is greater than the smallest key category in the UNFCCC inventory (including LULUCF)	
<i>Forest Management</i>	CO <sub>2</sub>	<i>Forest land remaining forest land</i>	Yes	key (L, T)
<i>Afforestation and Reforestation</i>	CO <sub>2</sub>	<i>Land converted to forest land</i>	Yes	key (L, T)
<i>Deforestation</i>	CO <sub>2</sub>	<i>Land converted to Settlements</i>	Yes	key (L, T2)
<i>Cropland management</i>	CO <sub>2</sub>	<i>Cropland remaining cropland</i>	Yes	key (L)
<i>Grazing land management</i>	CO <sub>2</sub>	<i>Grassland remaining Grassland</i>	Yes	key (L, T)

The figures have been compared with table 1.6 Key categories for the latest reported year (2019) based on level of emissions (including LULUCF).

## 9.7 Information relating to Article 6

Italy is not participating in any project under Article 6 (Joint Implementation).

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## 10 Information on accounting of Kyoto units

### 10.1 Background information

Annex I Parties are required to report information on accounting of Kyoto units in their national registries as specified in Decision 15/CMP.1. This information is reported in the following chapters and has been submitted electronically along with this document according to the Standard Electronic Format (SEF).

Since the Italian registry operates within the Consolidated System of European Union Registries (CSEUR), the SEF reports are based on the data provided by the European Commission and have been produced using the report tool version 3.8.3 provided by the UNFCCC Secretariat.

Although there is no obligation to submit a SEF report for the first commitment period after the end of its true-up-period, a separate report was generated manually and included in the submission.

### 10.2 Summary of information reported in the SEF tables

Information under decision 15/CMP.1 annex I.E paragraph 11 for year 2020 has been reported:

- in RREG1\_IT\_2020\_1\_2 (submitted both in xls and xml format) with regards to units of the first commitment period;
- in RREG1\_IT\_2020\_2\_1 (submitted both in xls and xml format) with regards to units of the second commitment period.

The reports contain data on acquisition, holding, transfer, cancellation, retirement and carry-over of ERUs, CERs, tCERs, ICERs, AAUs and RMUs of the first and the second commitment period.

Full details for CP2 units are available in the SEF tables reported in Annex 8.

### 10.3 Discrepancies and notifications

Information under decision 15/CMP.1 annex I.E paragraphs 12 to 17 for year 2020 is provided below:

- paragraph 12 *List of discrepant transactions*: no discrepant transactions occurred in 2020;
- paragraph 13 and 14 *List of CDM notifications*: no CDM notifications occurred in 2020;
- paragraph 15 *List of non-replacements*: non-replacement of 131,267 tCERs occurred in 2020 (see explanatory note below);
- paragraph 16 *List of invalid units*: no invalid units exist as of 31 December 2020;
- paragraph 17 *Actions and changes to address discrepancies*: since no discrepant transactions occurred in 2020, there's been no need for actions to correct or changes to prevent discrepancies in the reported period.

Considering the information above, reports R2 and R5 have not been included in the submission, while report R3 and R4 related to the list of non replacement have been submitted electronically as RREG3\_IT\_2020\_1 and RREG4\_IT\_2020\_1.

#### Note on late replacement of tCERs

An ITL notification for the replacement of 131,267 tCERs was sent to the registry on December the 1<sup>st</sup> 2020 (30 days before expiration). However, the only way to detect the notification was to open the dedicated section, since no alert system is in place to reveal it and no other type of notice is sent. At the beginning of January, upon receiving from the Service Desk of the European Commission the information to produce the R3 and R4 SEF reports, an attempt was promptly made to fulfil the replacement obligation but at that time an issue in the registry software prevented the operation. A ticket has been immediately open with the Service Desk and the issue has been eventually fixed at the beginning of February. A new attempt of replacement was made involving CERs available on a party holding account: however the transaction was terminated due to the CERs being carried over units (originated in CP1 but applicable in CP2). Thereafter, an intense exchange of information (via JIRA, e-mails, virtual meeting and over the phone) has occurred to clarify both with the UNFCCC Secretariat and the European Commission the type of units that could be used for the replacement. In early March, the replacement operation completed successfully and the notification was finally fulfilled.

## 10.4 Publicly accessible information

Non-confidential information required by Decision 13/CMP.1 annex II.E paragraphs 44-48, is publicly accessible via the Union Registry website at:

<https://unionregistry.ec.europa.eu/euregistry/IT/public/reports/publicReports.xhtml>

and it is also available on the informative website at :

[https://www.isprambiente.gov.it/en/services/emission\\_trading\\_registry/public-reports](https://www.isprambiente.gov.it/en/services/emission_trading_registry/public-reports)

All required information is provided with the following exceptions:

- paragraph 45(d)(e): account number, representative identifier name and contact information is deemed as confidential according to Annex III and VIII (Table III-I and VIII-I) of Commission Regulation (EU) No 389/2013 (the regulation in force during 2020);
- paragraph 46: no Article 6 (Joint Implementation) project is reported as conversion to an ERU under an Article 6 project did not occur in the specified period;
- paragraph 47(a)(d)(f): holding and transaction information is provided on an account type level, due to more detailed information being declared confidential by article 110 of Commission Regulation (EU) No 389/2013 (the regulation in force during 2020).

Public information available at the above-mentioned links is updated on a monthly basis.

## 10.5 Calculation of the commitment period reserve (CPR)

Parties are required by decision 11/CMP.1 under the Kyoto Protocol and paragraph 18 of Decision 1/CMP.8 to establish and maintain a commitment period reserve as part of their responsibility to manage and account for their assigned amount. According to paragraph 6 of the Annex to decision 11/CMP.1, the commitment period reserve equals the lower of either 90% of a Party's assigned amount or 100% of its most recently reviewed inventory, multiplied by 8.

For the purposes of the joint fulfillment, the commitment period reserve applies to the EU, its Member States and Iceland individually.

The Italian commitment period reserve is calculated either as:

$$2,410,291,421 \text{ t CO}_2 \text{ equivalent} * 0.9 = 2,169,262,279 \text{ t CO}_2 \text{ equivalent}$$

or:

$$427,529,021 \text{ t CO}_2 \text{ equivalent (emission level 2018)} * 8 = 3,420,232,168 \text{ t CO}_2 \text{ equivalent}$$

The Italian commitment period reserve is therefore 2,169,262,279 t CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent.

## 10.6 KP-LULUCF accounting

Italy will account for Article 3.3 and 3.4 LULUCF activities at the end of the commitment period.

In Table 10.1, information on accounting for the KP-LULUCF activities based on the reporting for the years 2013-2019 are given. Accounting quantities for cropland management and grazing land management under art. 3.4 of the Kyoto Protocol have been assessed as the level of emissions and removals in the commitment period less the duration of the reporting period (2013-2019) in years times the level of emissions and removals from these elected activities in the base year (paragraph 10 of Decision 2/CMP.7).

GREENHOUSE GAS SOURCE AND SINK ACTIVITIES	Base Year <sup>(2)</sup>	NET EMISSIONS/REMOVALS								Accounting parameters	Accounting quantity <sup>(4)</sup>	
		2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	Total <sup>(3)</sup>			
(kt CO <sub>2</sub> eq)												
<b>A. Article 3.3 activities</b>												
A.1. Afforestation/reforestation		-7,989	-8,402	-8,863	-8,422	-5,213	-7,877	-9,018	-55,783			-55,783
Excluded emissions from natural disturbances <sup>(5)</sup>		NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO			NO
A.2. Deforestation		1,942	1,953	1,964	1,974	1,976	1,984	1,994	13,788			13,788
<b>B. Article 3.4 activities</b>												
B.1. Forest management										-193,481		-26,559
Net emissions/removals		-30,322	-31,347	-32,565	-29,528	-13,760	-24,879	-31,081	-193,481			
Excluded emissions from natural disturbances <sup>(5)</sup>		NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO			NO
Forest management reference level (FMRL) <sup>(9)</sup>										-22,166,000		
Technical corrections to FMRL <sup>(10)</sup>										-1,680,06		
Forest management cap <sup>(11)</sup>										146,138		-26,559
B.2. Cropland management (if elected)	864	-2,283	-2,578	-3,504	-5,367	-5,127	-4,879	-5,010	-28,748			-34,794
B.3. Grazing land management (if elected)	116	-769	-1,183	-845	-933	-542	-574	-640	-5,487			-6,297

**Table 10.1 Information table on accounting for activities under art. 3.3 and 3.4 of the Kyoto Protocol, for 2013-2019**

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- (1) All values are reported in table 4(KP) and tables 4(KP-I).A.1.1, 4(KP-I).B.1.1, 4(KP-I).B.1.2 and 4(KP-I).B.1.3 of the CRF for the relevant inventory year as reported in the current submission and are automatically entered in this table.
  - (2) Net emissions and removals from cropland management, grazing land management, revegetation and/or wetland drainage and rewetting, if elected, in the Party's base year, as established by decision 9/CP.2.
  - (3) Cumulative net emissions and removals for all years of the commitment period reported in the current submission.
  - (4) The accounting quantity is the total quantity of units to be added to or subtracted from a Party's assigned amount for a particular activity in accordance with the provisions of Article 7.4 of the Kyoto Protocol.
  - (5) A Party that has indicated their intent to apply the natural disturbance provisions may choose to exclude emissions from natural disturbances either annually or at the end of the commitment period.
  - (6) Any subsequent removals on lands from which emissions from natural disturbances have been excluded is subtracted from the accounting quantity of the respective activity.
  - (7) A debit is generated in case the newly established forest does not reach at least the expected carbon stock at the end of the normal harvesting period. Total debits from carbon equivalent forests are subtracted from the accounting quantity forest management.
  - (8) In case of a projected forest management reference level, Parties should not fill in this row.
  - (9) Forest management reference level as inscribed in the appendix of the annex to decision 2/CMP.7, in kt CO<sub>2</sub> eq per year.
  - (10) Technical corrections in accordance with paragraphs 14 and 15 of the annex to decision 2/CMP.7 and reported in table 4(KP-I).B.1.1 in kt CO<sub>2</sub> eq per year.
  - (11) For the second commitment period, additions to the assigned amount of a Party resulting from forest management shall, in accordance with paragraph 13 of the annex to decision 2/CMP.7, not exceed 3.5 per cent of the national total emissions excluding LULUCF in the base year times eight.

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## **11 Information on changes in national system**

No changes with respect to the last year submission occurred in the Italian National System.

## 12 Information on changes in national registry

### 12.1 Previous Review Recommendations

The SIAR Report for Italy from last year reported no recommendations.

### 12.2 Changes to National Registry

The following changes to the national registry of Italy have occurred in 2020.

Reporting Item	Description
15/CMP.1 annex II.E paragraph 32.(a) Change of name or contact	None
15/CMP.1 annex II.E paragraph 32.(b) Change regarding cooperation arrangement	No change of cooperation arrangement occurred during the reported period.
15/CMP.1 annex II.E paragraph 32.(c) Change to database structure or the capacity of national registry	There has been a new EUCR release (version 11.5) after version 8.2.2 (the production version at the time of the last submission). Due to the new release, some changes were applied to the database. The updated database model is provided in Annex A. No change was required to the application backup plan or to the disaster recovery plan. No change to the capacity of the national registry occurred during the reported period.
15/CMP.1 annex II.E paragraph 32.(d) Change regarding conformance to technical standards	The changes that have been introduced with version 11.5 compared with version 8.2.2 of the national registry are presented in Annex B. It is to be noted that each release of the registry is subject to both regression testing and tests related to new functionality. These tests also include thorough testing against the DES and are carried out prior to the relevant major release of the version to Production (see Annex B). No other change in the registry's conformance to the technical standards occurred for the reported period.
15/CMP.1 annex II.E paragraph 32.(e) Change to discrepancies procedures	No change of discrepancies procedures occurred during the reported period.
15/CMP.1 annex II.E paragraph 32.(f) Change regarding security	The use of soft tokens for authentication and signature was introduced for the registry end users.
15/CMP.1 annex II.E paragraph 32.(g) Change to list of publicly available information	No change to the list of publicly available information occurred during the reported period.
15/CMP.1 annex II.E paragraph 32.(h) Change of Internet address	No change to the registry internet address during the reported period.

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<b>Reporting Item</b>	<b>Description</b>
15/CMP.1 annex II.E paragraph 32.(i) Change regarding data integrity measures	No change of data integrity measures occurred during the reported period.
15/CMP.1 annex II.E paragraph 32.(j) Change regarding test results	No change during the reported period.

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## 13 Information on minimization of adverse impacts in accordance with Article 3, paragraph 14

### 13.1 Overview

In the framework of the EU Burden Sharing Agreement, Italy has committed to reduce its GHG emissions by 6.5% below base-year levels (1990) over the first commitment period, 2008-2012. After the review of the initial report of Italy under the Kyoto Protocol (KP), the Kyoto objective was fixed in 483.255 MtCO<sub>2</sub> per year for each year of the “commitment period” (UNFCCC, 2007).

In this section Italy provides an overview of its commitments under Article 3.1, and specifically how it is striving to implement individually its commitment under Article 3 paragraph 14 of the KP. Under Article 3.14 of the KP:

“Each Party included in Annex I shall strive to implement the commitments mentioned in paragraph 1<sup>68</sup> above in such a way as to minimize adverse social, environmental and economic impacts on developing country Parties, particularly those identified in Article 4, paragraphs 8 and 9<sup>69</sup>, of the Convention. In line with relevant decisions of the Conference of the Parties on the implementation of those paragraphs, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to this Protocol shall, at its first session, consider what actions are necessary to minimize the adverse effects of climate change and/or the impacts of response measures on Parties referred to in those paragraphs. Among the issues to be considered shall be the establishment of funding, insurance and transfer of technology.

For the preparation of this chapter ISPRA has collected information through the revision of peer review international articles on sustainable development (SD) of ex-ante/ex-post assessments related to activities on climate change mitigation, and through personal communication with people/institutions involved in project/programs/policy implementation of climate change activities. Moreover, experts from the Ministry for the Environment, Land and Sea (*Ministero dell'Ambiente e della Tutela del Territorio e del Mare*, MATTM) and the Directorate General for Development Co-operation (DGCS) from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (*Ministero degli Affari Esteri*, MAE) were contacted. This chapter has been updated with new information according to the on-going activities at national and international level.

As the reporting obligation related to Article 3, paragraph 14 does not include an obligation to report on each specific mitigation policy. Italy briefly describes how EU is striving to minimize adverse impacts, because Italy is member of the European Union, thus incorporated into its European legal system to implement directives/policies; and individually how is striving to implement Article 3.14 with specific examples.

Two main parts are requested under Article 3.14 for reporting purposes: commitments to minimize adverse effects (section 14.2, 14.3) and priority actions (section 14.4, 14.5). Future improvements/research activities are expected for next submissions (section 14.6).

### 13.2 European Commitment under Art 3.14 of the Kyoto Protocol

The EU is well aware of the need to assess impacts, and has built up thorough procedures in line with obligations. This includes bilateral dialogues and different platforms that allow interacting with third countries, explain new policy initiatives and receive comments from third countries. Impacts on third countries are mostly indirect and can frequently neither be directly attributed to a specific EU policy, nor directly measured by the EU in developing countries. A wide-ranging impact assessment (IA) system accompanying all new policy initiatives has been established. This approach ensures that potential adverse social, environmental and economic impacts on various stakeholders are identified and minimized within the legislative process (European Commission, 2010).

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<sup>68</sup> **Kyoto Protocol, Art. 3 Par. 1** “The Parties included in Annex I shall, individually or jointly, ensure that their aggregate anthropogenic carbon dioxide equivalent emissions of the greenhouse gases listed in Annex A do not exceed their assigned amounts, calculated pursuant to their quantified emission limitation and reduction commitments inscribed in Annex B and in accordance with the provisions of this Article, with a view to reducing their overall emissions of such gases by at least 5 per cent below 1990 levels in the commitment period 2008 to 2012.”

<sup>69</sup> **UNFCCC, Art 4. Par 8.** “In the implementation of the commitments in this Article, the Parties shall give full consideration to what actions are necessary under the Convention, including actions related to funding, insurance and the transfer of technology, to meet the specific needs and concerns of developing country Parties arising from the adverse effects of climate change and/or the impact of the implementation of response measures, especially on: (a) Small island countries; (b) Countries with low-lying coastal areas; (c) Countries with arid and semi-arid areas, forested areas and areas liable to forest decay; (d) Countries with areas prone to natural disasters; (e) Countries with areas liable to drought and desertification; (f) Countries with areas of high urban atmospheric pollution; (g) Countries with areas with fragile ecosystems, including mountainous ecosystems; (h) Countries whose economies are highly dependent on income generated from the production, processing and export, and/or on consumption of fossil fuels and associated energy-intensive products; and (i) Landlocked and transit countries. Further, the Conference of the Parties may take actions, as appropriate, with respect to this paragraph.” **UNFCCC Art 4. Par. 9.** “The Parties shall take full account of the specific needs and special situations of the least developed countries in their actions with regard to funding and transfer of technology.”

At European level, IA is required for most important Commission initiatives, policy and programs and those which will have the most far-reaching impacts. In 2009, IA was adopted, replacing the previous Guidelines 2005 and also the 2006 update. In general, the IA evidence advantages and disadvantages of possible policy options by assessing their potential impacts. Among different issues, it should be assessed which are the likely social, environmental and economic impacts of those options (European Commission, 2009[a]). Since 2003 all IA of EU policies are listed and published online by subject (European Commission, 2021).

Key questions on economic, social and environmental impacts in relation to third countries are listed in Table 14.1.

**Table 14.1 Questions in relation to impacts on Third countries**

Economic	Social	Environmental
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How does the policy initiative affect trade or investment flows between the EU and third countries? How does it affect EU trade policy and its international obligations, including in the WTO?</li> <li>• Does the option affect specific groups (foreign and domestic businesses and consumers) and if so in what way?</li> <li>• Does the policy initiative concern an area in which international standards, common regulatory approaches or international regulatory dialogues exist?</li> <li>• Does it affect EU foreign policy and EU development policy?</li> <li>• What are the impacts on third countries with which the EU has preferential trade arrangements?</li> <li>• Does it affect developing countries at different stages of development (least developed and other low-income and middle income countries) in a different manner?</li> <li>• Does the option impose adjustment costs on developing countries?</li> <li>• Does the option affect goods or services that are produced or consumed by developing countries?</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Does the option have a social impact on third countries that would be relevant for overarching EU policies, such as development policy?</li> <li>• Does it affect international obligations and commitments of the EU arising from e.g. the ACP-EU Partnership Agreement or the Millennium Development Goals?</li> <li>• Does it increase poverty in developing countries or have an impact on income of the poorest populations?</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Does the option affect the emission of greenhouse gases (e.g. carbon dioxide, methane etc) into the atmosphere?</li> <li>• Does the option affect the emission of ozone-depleting substances (CFCs, HCFCs etc)?</li> <li>• Does the option affect our ability to adapt to climate change?</li> <li>• Does the option have an impact on the environment in third countries that would be relevant for overarching EU policies, such as development policy?</li> </ul>

Source: European Commission, 2009[a]

A review of European response measures for two EU policies were chosen for further description because the IA identified potential impacts on thirds countries. These measures are the Directive 2009/28/EC on the promotion of the use of renewable energy, and the EU emission trading scheme for the inclusion of the aviation (see European Commission, 2009[b]; European Commission, 2010).

***Directive on the promotion of the use of renewable energy***

EU will reach a 20% share of energy from renewable sources in the overall energy consumption by 2020 (with individual targets for each Member State) and a 10% share of renewable energy specifically in the transport sector, which includes biofuels, biogas, hydrogen and electricity from renewables. EU leaders agreed on 23 October 2014 the domestic 2030 targets of greenhouse gas reduction of at least 40% compared to 1990 and at least 27% for renewable energy and energy savings by 2030. IAs related to enhanced use in the EU showed that the cultivation of energy crops have positive (growing of EU demand for bioenergy generates new export revenues and employment opportunities for developing countries and boosts rural economies), and negative (biodiversity, soil and water resources and have positive/ negative effects on air pollutants) impacts. For this reason, Article 17 of the EU's Directive has created "sustainability criteria", applicable to all biofuels (biomass used in the transport sector) and bioliquids, which consider to establish a threshold for GHG emission reductions that have to be achieved from the use of biofuels; to exclude the use of biofuels from land with high biodiversity value (primary forest and wooded land, protected areas or highly biodiverse grasslands), and to exclude the use of biofuels from land with high C stocks, such as wetlands, peatlands or continuously forested areas. In this context, developing country representatives as well as other stakeholder were extensively consulted during the development of the sustainability criteria and preparation of the directive and the extensive consultation process has been documented. The Commission also reports on biofuels' potential indirect land use change effect and the positive and negative impact on social sustainability in the Union and in third countries, including the availability of foodstuffs at affordable prices, in particular for people living in

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developing countries, and wider development issues. The first reports were submitted in 2012 (European Commission, 2010).

### ***Inclusion of aviation in the EU emission trading scheme***

In 2005 the Commission adopted a Communication entitled "Reducing the Climate Change Impact of Aviation", which evaluated the policy options available to this end and was accompanied by an IA. The assessment concluded that, in view of the likely strong future growth in air traffic emissions, further measures are urgently needed. Aircraft operators from developing countries will be affected to the extent they operate on routes covered by the scheme. As operators from third countries generally represent a limited share of emissions covered, the impact is also modest. On the other hand, to the extent that aviation's inclusion in the EU ETS creates additional demand for credits from JI and CDM projects, there will also be indirect positive effects as such projects imply additional investments in clean technologies in developing countries (European Commission, 2010).

### ***Common Agricultural Policy***

Furthermore, many developing countries and least developed countries (LDC) are based on the agricultural production, therefore, it will be important to understand how the *EU Common Agricultural Policy (CAP) Health Check*, together with the new targets on climate change and renewable energies will potentially influence developing countries. Some information on cereal intervention options on third parties have been identified (European Commission, 2008). Some studies on the impact of agricultural policies on developing countries are also available (Schmidhuber, 2009; Hallam, 2010). Brooks et al (2010) has recently presented DEVPEM<sup>70</sup> a companion to the OECD-country PEM<sup>71</sup> as a tool for policy evaluation in developing countries. Preliminary results for Malawi indicate that agricultural policies may have fundamentally different impacts on incomes in low income countries to those obtained in developed OECD countries.

## **13.3 Italian commitment under Art 3.14 of the Kyoto Protocol**

Article 3, paragraph 14 of the KP is related to Annex I Parties' way of implementing commitments under Article 3.1 of the KP. Therefore, it addresses the implementation of the quantified emission limitation and reduction objectives (QELROs) under Article 3.1, the implementation of LULUCF activities under Article 3 paragraphs 3 and 4, the use of Emission Reduction Units (ERUs) and Certified Emission Reductions (CERs) under Article 3 paragraphs 10, 11, and 12.

Italy is aware of the potential direct and indirect impact of measures/policies and tries to ensure that the implementation of national mitigation policies under the KP does not impact other parties. Minimizing adverse effects of policies/measures are described in Chapter 4.8 in the Sixth National Communication (MATTM, 2014). Information of activities under Article 3 paragraphs 3 and 4 of the KP is described in 'Chapter 10' KP-LULUCF' of this report.

National and sectoral Italian policies are expected to have no direct impacts in developing countries. Policies and measures in the Italian energy sector aim to increase energy efficiency and develop a low-carbon energy system but in the context of a global energy scenarios that do not foresee a decline in income for fossil fuel exporting countries (IEA, World Energy Outlook 2008).

Efforts to tackle adverse social, economic, and environmental impacts of mitigation actions are directly expected in the framework of the Kyoto Mechanisms. Hence, this chapter has concentrated efforts to analyze the Clean Development Mechanism and Joint Implementation in order to provide response to reporting requirements under Article 3.14 of KP.

### ***Procedure for assessing sustainability at local and national level for CDM and JI***

The Clean Development Mechanism (CDM), defined in Article 12 of the KP, allows a country with an emission-limitation commitment (Annex B Party) to implement an emission-reduction project in developing countries.

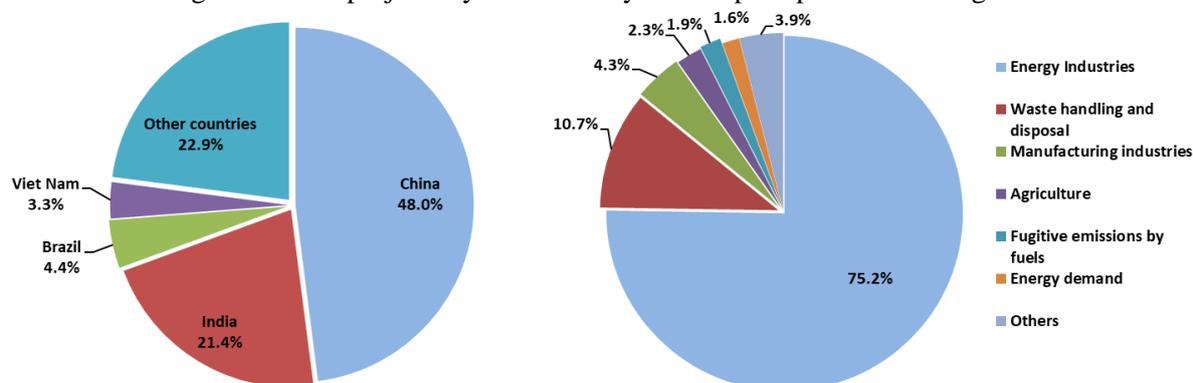
For this section, information was collected from the UNFCCC CDM Project Search Database (UNFCCC, 2021[a]). On 01 March 2021, the UNFCCC CDM Database reported a total of 7,848 registered project

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<sup>70</sup> DEVPEM, Development Policy Evaluation Model

<sup>71</sup> PEM, Policy Evaluation Model examine the effects of agricultural policies in member countries

activities out of 8,213 projects. With data as of 31 January 2021, 83.6% of CDM projects were registered in Asia and the Pacific Region, 12.9% in Latin America and Caribbean, 2.9% in Africa, and 0.6% in Countries with economies in transition. The distribution of registered projects by scope activity was mainly: energy industries (75.2%), waste handling and disposal (10.7%) and manufacturing industries (4.3%). Registered projects by Host Party were mainly in China (48%), India (21.4%), Brazil (4.4%) and Viet Nam (3.3%). The distribution of global CDM projects by Host country and scope is presented in Figure 14.1.



Source: UNFCCC, 2021[b]

**Figure 14.1 CDM projects by Host country and scope (as for 31/01/2021)**

Italy as investor Party, contributes with 1.7% of world-wide registered CDM project portfolio. Up to 01 March 2021 Italy is involved in 129 CDM registered projects. One new project has been registered since the last year. Italy is involved directly, as government, in 52 registered CDM (MATTM, 2011). Projects by dimension are 60.5% large scale and 39.5% small scale. Italy is the only proposer for 39.5% of the CDM projects where Italy is involved.

In Annex A8.2.4 a complete list of CDM projects is available. Italian CDM projects by Host country and scope are illustrated in tables 14.2 and 14.3 respectively.

**Table 14.2 Italian CDM projects by Host country**

<i>Country</i>	<i>n°</i>	<i>%</i>
China	52	40.3
India	12	9.3
Brazil	6	4.7
Nepal	5	3.9
Uganda	5	3.9
Kenya	5	3.9
Republic of Moldova	4	3.1
Argentina	4	3.1
Tunisia	3	2.3
Other	33	25.6
<b>Total</b>	<b>129</b>	<b>100</b>

**Table 14.3 Italian CDM projects by scope (there are project with multiple scopes)**

<i>Scope</i>	<i>n°</i>	<i>%</i>
Energy industries (renewable/non renewable)	82	53.6
Waste handling and disposal	20	13.1
Afforestation and reforestation	16	10.5
Manufacturing industries	16	10.5
Fugitive emissions from production and consumption of halocarbons and sulphur hexafluoride	8	5.2
Energy demand	7	4.6
Other	4	2.6
<b>Total</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>100</b>

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Parties should follow a project cycle to propose CDM projects (first designing phase and realization phase). During the first phase, among other activities, Parties participating in the CDM shall designate a national authority (DNA). Each Host Party has implemented a procedure for assessing CDM projects. The DNA evaluates project documentation against a set of pre-defined criteria, which tend to encompass social, environmental and economic aspects. For instance, India has SD criteria such as the social, economic, environmental and technological ‘well-being’. Instead, China discriminated projects by priority area and by gas based-approach (Olsen and Fenhann, 2008; Boyd et al., 2009).

Most of the CDM projects (if large-scale) are subject to ex-ante assessments. For instance, environmental impact assessments (EIA) are required. In other cases, because of the size of the project, EIA are not necessary. Still some CDM projects have performed voluntary EIA. This is the case for the *Santa Rosa* Hydroelectric CDM project in Peru (Endesa Carbono, 2010). After, a second evaluation is performed by the DNA as described previously. For example, in the Peruvian DNA, the process follows the: submission of the project to the Ministry of competence on the activities, a site visit of the project done by the Ministry of Environment, and the conformation of an *ad hoc* committee that evaluate projects considering legal, social, environmental and economic criteria (MINAM, 2010). Thus, possible impacts of the CDM projects are mainly subject to local and national verification.

In some cases, an ex-post assessment could be also performed by the Designated Operational Entities (DOE), which validated CDM projects and certifies as appropriate and requests the Board to issue CERs. For some CDM projects, for instance, *Poehos I* Hydroelectric project (Peru), CERs are approve only if the project complies also with social and environmental conditions (Endesa Carbono, 2010). In addition, Italy agreed to accept in principle common guidelines for approval of large hydropower project activities. EU Member States have arrived at uniform guidelines on the application of Article 11b(6) of the Directive 2004/101/EC to ensure compliance (of such projects) with the international criteria and guidelines, including those contained in the World Commission on Dams 2000 Report. It aims to ensure that hydro projects are developed along the SD and the not damaging to the environment (exploring possible alternatives) and addressing such issues as gaining public acceptance, and fair and equitable treatment of stakeholders, including local and indigenous people (MATTM, 2010[a]).

Another feedback for participating to CDM project with SD characteristics comes from the carbon funds. For instance, Italy participates to the *BioCarbon Fund* (BCF), the *Community Development Carbon Fund* (CDCF) and the *Italian Carbon Fund* (ICF). The first two funds aim to finance projects with strong social impact at local level, that combine community development attributed with emission reductions and will significantly improve the life of the poor and their local environment (MATTM, 2010[a]). Italian CDM projects which are under the CDCF initiative are listed in Annex A8.2.4.

The Joint implementation (JI) is defined in Article 6 of the KP allowing a country with a limitation commitment (Annex B) to earn emission reduction units (ERUs) from an emission-reduction or emission removal project in another Annex B Party. Two procedures could be followed. ‘Track 1’ procedures apply when the Host Party and investors meets all of the eligibility requirements to transfer and/or acquire ERUs, and the project is additional to any that would otherwise occur. ‘Track 2’ applies when the Host Party fulfils with a limited set of eligibility requirements or there is not an institutional authority able to follow up the project cycle. In this case the project should go through the verification procedure under the Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee (JISC). The development of the project is divided in a design and implementation phases (MATTM 2011[b]). Parties involved in JI activities should designated focal point for approving projects, and prepared Guidelines and Procedures for approving Art.6 Projects, including the consideration of stakeholders’ (MATTM, 2010[b]). Up to 31 January 2021 the JI database from IGES source shows only one large scale project (Track 1) with Italy involved. The task of the project is to reduce GHG emissions fuel switch (IGES, 2021).

Voluntary validation of sustainable development is taking place at international level for CDM and JI projects. The UNEP database (2021) highlights the Gold Standard (GS) and the Climate, Community and Biodiversity Alliance (CCB) for assessing SD on CDM project, and only GS for JI projects. In 2014 the CDM Board published a tool to report about the contribution of CDM projects to sustainable development (UNFCCC[c], 2021). The SD Tool is a voluntary tool for describing sustainable development co-benefits (SDC) of CDM project activities or programmes of activities enables CDM project developers to highlight the sustainable development benefits of their projects or PoAs by using a check list of predefined criteria and indicators. The GS operates a certification scheme for premium quality carbon credits and promotes sustainable development (GS label). Indicators include air/water quality, soil condition, biodiversity, quality of employment, livelihood of the poor, access to affordable and clean energy services, etc (Gold Standard, 2011). After labelling, these

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projects are tracked in the UNFCCC/CDM Registry. The CCBA is a voluntary standard, which support the design and identification of land management activities that simultaneously minimize climate change, support sustainable development, and conserve biodiversity. Project design standards include: climate, community, and biodiversity indicators (CCBA, 2011). Up to 17 February 2020, the UNEP database reports 761 JI projects (track1+track2) from which 604 projects are registered (91.9% track 1+8.1% track 2). Up to 01 December 2020 the UNEP database reports 8,409 alive CDM projects in the pipeline with 7,845 registered from which 6 projects are validated with CCB, 138 with GS, and 44 with SD tool (Sustainable Development tool).

### ***Assessment of social, environmental, and economic effects of CDM and JI projects***

The assessment of adverse social, environmental, and economic impacts contribution of CDM projects has been concentrated in the energy sector (or non-forestry CDM projects). Results from most relevant peer-review literature are available in this section.

Most common used methodologies for assessing sustainability are checklists and multicriteria assessments (Olsen 2007). For instance, Sirohi (2007) has qualitatively analyzed and discussed the Project Design Document (PDD) of 65 CDM projects covering all the types of CDM project activity in India. Results from this paper show that the benefits of the projects focusing on improving energy efficiency in industries, fossil fuel switching in industrial units and destruction of HFC-23 would remain largely “firm-specific” and are unlikely to have an impact on rural poverty. Boyd et al. (2009) have chosen randomly 10 CDM projects that capture diversity of project types and regions. Environment and development benefits (environment, economic, technology transfer, health, employment, education and other social) were assessed qualitatively. This review shows divergences and no causal relationship between project types and SD outcomes. Sutter and Parreño (2007) assessed CDM projects in terms of their contribution to employment generation, equal distribution of CDM returns, and improvement of local air quality. The multi-attribute assessment methodology (MATA-CDM) for non-forestry CDM projects was used for assessing 16 CDM projects registered at UNFCCC as of August 30, 2005. Results indicated that projects might contribute to one of the two CDM objectives (GHG emission reductions and SD in the Host country), but neither contributes strongly to both objectives. Uruguay’s DNA has adopted this tool for approval of CDM projects. Nussbaumer (2009) has presented a SD assessment of 39 CDM projects. Label CDM projects (‘Gold Standard’ label and CDCF focuses) were compared to similar non-labelled CDM projects. Results show that labelled CDM activities tend to slightly outperform comparable projects, although not unequivocally. Nussbaumer selected criteria based on those from Sutter (2003) including social (stakeholder participation, improved service availability, equal distribution, capacity development), environmental (fossil energy resources, air quality, water quality, land resource) and economic (regional economy, microeconomic efficiency, employment generation, sustainable technology transfer) issues.

Some studies have also addressed the assessment of forestry CDM projects. Olsen and Fenhann (2008) have developed a taxonomy for sustainability assessment based on PDD text analysis. These authors concluded that the taxonomy can be supportive of DNAs to decide what the consequences should be, if a CDM project at the verification stage does not show signs of realizing its potential SD benefits. Palm et al (2009) developed a ranking process to assess sustainability of forest plantation projects in India. They concluded that successful implementation of forest-based project activities will require local participation and are likely to involve multiple forest products and environmental services demanded by the local community. For the first time a study has addressed the choice of an appropriate method for measuring strong sustainability. In a decision-aiding process, 10 UNFCCC/CDM afforestation/reforestation projects were evaluated through criteria that reflect global and local interests using a non-compensatory multicriteria method. Criteria for assessing SD included: social (land tenure, equitably share natural, skill development, ensure local participation), economic (employment, financial resource to local entities, financial forestry incentives) and environmental (use of native species, conservation and maintenance of soil/water resources, biodiversity conservation) issues. The multicriteria assessment allows sorting forestry projects in three ordered categories: synergistic, reasonably synergistic, and not synergistic. This means that those projects, which are synergistic comply with a higher number of criteria (Córdoba et al., 2010).

A UNFCCC report concluded that most studies of hydrofluorocarbon and nitrous oxide related projects yield the fewest SD benefits, but the studies differ in their assessment of other project types. It also reports that other studies suggest a trade-off between the goals of the CDM in favour of producing low-cost emission reductions at the expense of achieving SD benefits (UNFCCC, 2011[a]).

For this section we have accessed project databases (UNFCCC, 2021[a]; Carbon Finance, 2019; UNEP, 2021) and peer-reviewed articles (see Annex A8.2.4 for detailed information on CDM research studies). For non-

forestry CDM projects, Nussbaumer (2009) have published results of SD assessment from Honduras and Peru (Hydroelectric), Nepal (Biogas), Argentina (landfill), Moldova (Biomass), India (small hydroelectric and wind) and China (hydropower), and Sirohi (2007) for projects in India (biomass, F-gas, hydroelectric). For forestry CDM projects, C3ndor et al. (2010) has assessed 3 out from 13 CDM projects in which Italy is involved. ‘The Moldova Soil Conservation’ project was classified as a ‘synergistic’ project, while the ‘Assisted Natural Regeneration of Degraded Lands’ project in Albania and the ‘Facilitating Reforestation for Guangxi Watershed Management’ project in China were classified as ‘reasonably synergistic’. The higher the assignment of the project, the better the performance respect to social, economic and environmental criteria including climate change, biodiversity and desertification issues.

Most articles found for JI are related with institutional arrangements (Evans et al., 2000; Streimikiene and Mikalauskiene, 2007; Firsova and Taplin, 2008) or the integration of JI with other mechanisms such as the white certificates (Oikonomou and van der Gaast, 2008). On peer-review article, no much information was found regarding JI and SD assessment. However, Cha et al. (2008) developed Environmental-Efficiency and Economic-Productivity indicators to choose an environmentally and economically-efficient CDM and JI project.

### 13.4 Funding, strengthening capacity and transfer of technology

According to Art 3.14 of the KP information on funding and transfer of technology need to be described, thus, brief information is provided in this section.

The flow of financial resources to developing countries and multilateral organisations from Italy is shown in Table 14.4 (OECD, 2018). Between 2006 and 2008 the Ministry of Foreign Affairs has contributed with around 30 million EUR in bilateral and multilateral cooperation with developing countries for climate change related activities. In order to contribute to the implementation of the commitment foreseen in the ‘‘Bonn Declaration’’, since 2002 the Ministry for the Environment, Land and Sea, has been authorized to finance bilateral and multilateral activities in developing countries for 55.1 million EUR/year as of 2008 (MATTM, 2009). A recent peer review report of the Development Assistance Committee (DAC) describes bilateral and multilateral cooperation funding activities in Italy. The Directorate General for Development Co-operation (DGCS) from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in collaboration with other players in Italian Co-operation is in charge of implementing recommendations (OECD, 2009). The most important institutional actor is the Ministry for the Environment, Land and Sea, because of its contribution to implementing the Kyoto Protocol and other Rio conventions in developing countries.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs defined the Programming Guidelines and Directions of Italian Development Co-operation 2011-2013, where priority areas are identified (MAE, 2010[a]): i) agriculture/food security; ii) human development, particularly referred to health and education/training; iii) governance and civil society; iv) support for endogenous development, inclusive and sustainable, the private sector, and v) environment, land and natural resources management, particularly referred to water and mitigation/adaptation to climate change. The aid effectiveness is a top priority for the Italian cooperation as described in the ‘Aid Effectiveness Action Plan’ (DGCS, 2009). The Ministry of Foreign Affairs has a database of environmental projects available online (DGCS, 2013). The ecosystem approach management is a strategy adopted by Italian cooperation. In the environment field, projects that have been monitored by the Central Technical Unit/DGCS - Ministry of Foreign Affairs, are subject to field visit and ex-post assessments in order to verify compliance in the framework of climate change activities (MAE, 2010[b]).

**Table 14.4 Financial resources to developing countries and multilateral organisations from Italy, USD million.**

	2001-02	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
<b>NET DISBURSEMENTS</b>											
I. Official Development Assistance (ODA) (A + B)	<b>1980</b>	<b>3297</b>	<b>2996</b>	<b>4326</b>	<b>2737</b>	<b>3430</b>	<b>4009</b>	<b>4003</b>	<b>5087</b>	<b>5858</b>	<b>5098</b>
ODA as % of GNI	<b>0.18</b>	<b>0.16</b>	<b>0.15</b>	<b>0.20</b>	<b>0.14</b>	<b>0.17</b>	<b>0.19</b>	<b>0.22</b>	<b>0.27</b>	<b>0.30</b>	<b>0.25</b>
A. Bilateral Official Development Assistance	724	875	759	1703	624	867	1372	1829	2420	2977	2140
of which: General budget support	-1	9	5	1	6	7	8	6	1	0	1
Core support to national NGOs	64	-	15	-	1	99	93	118	137	37	38
Investment projects	-107	37	-34	310	-17	9	42	32	6	-9	48
Administrative costs	34	59	42	53	35	36	40	36	21	39	46
Other in-donor expenditures	10	5	5	526	272	406	843	985	1666	1808	1129

of which: Refugees in donor countries	8	-	3	525	247	404	840	983	1665	1804	1125
Imputed student costs							1	1	1	5	5
B. Contributions to Multilateral Institutions	1255	2423	2237	2623	2113	2563	2637	2174	2667	2881	2958
of which: UN	198	205	170	150	188	217	200	161	155	271	169
EU	691	1862	1557	1924	1516	1605	1662	1424	1773	1761	1920
IDA	183	214	386	179	166	329	377	198	214	216	323
Regional Development Banks	61	24	6	206	105	229	178	135	286	290	263
II. Other Official Flows (OOF) net (C + D)	-158	-72	-151	-214	196	161	96	43	51	110	37
C. Bilateral Other Official Flows (1 + 2)	-158	-72	-151	-214	196	161	96	43	51	110	37
1. Official export credits <sup>(1)</sup>	16	-28	-28	117	97	90	48	-	-	-	-
2. Equities and other bilateral assets <sup>(1)</sup>	-173	-44	-123	-330	100	71	48	-	-	-	-
D. Multilateral Institutions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
III. Officially supported export credits <sup>(2)</sup>	1271	463	882	1234	725	2031	584	1414	802	1368	2121
IV. Private Flows at Market Terms (long-term) (1 to 3)	-2504	1719	5731	6456	7436	11024	3896	10033	13286	7390	98
1. Direct investment	930	129	4366	7530	8016	8643	3369	9715	8046	2	10
2. Bilateral portfolio investment	-3434	1590	1365	-1074	-580	2381	527	317	5239	7388	88
3. Securities of multilateral agencies	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
V. Grants by Private Voluntary Agencies <sup>(3)</sup>	16	162	150	111	91	58	121	128	83	64	23
<b>VI. Total resource flows (long-term) (I to V)</b>	<b>605</b>	<b>5569</b>	<b>9608</b>	<b>11912</b>	<b>11186</b>	<b>16703</b>	<b>8706</b>	<b>15621</b>	<b>19309</b>	<b>14791</b>	<b>7378</b>
<b>Total resource flows as a % of GNI</b>	<b>0.05</b>	<b>0.27</b>	<b>0.47</b>	<b>0.55</b>	<b>0.56</b>	<b>0.81</b>	<b>0.41</b>	<b>0.86</b>	<b>1.04</b>	<b>0.76</b>	<b>0.35</b>

Source: OECD (OECD, 2020) <http://www.oecd.org/dac/financing-sustainable-development/development-finance-data/statisticsonresourceflowstodevelopingcountries.htm>

(1) no more updated by OECD since 2018 submission.

(2) item reported as “2. Private export credits” under title IV up to 2017 submission.

(3) item reported as title “III. Grants by Private Voluntary Agencies ” up to 2017 submission.

Data for 2019 to update Table 14.4 are not available in the OECD web site on 02 March 2021. Preliminary data are available and it is possible to download an exhaustive report of the Italian Development co-operation profiles at the URL:

[https://www.oecd-ilibrary.org/sites/37f92091-en/index.html?itemId=/content/component/5e331623-en&\\_csp\\_=b14d4f60505d057b456dd1730d8fcea3&itemIGO=oecd&itemContentType=chapter](https://www.oecd-ilibrary.org/sites/37f92091-en/index.html?itemId=/content/component/5e331623-en&_csp_=b14d4f60505d057b456dd1730d8fcea3&itemIGO=oecd&itemContentType=chapter)

Italy provided less ODA in 2019 than in the previous year, with a fall of 1% in real terms from 2018. Total ODA on a grant-equivalent basis stood at USD 4.9 billion (preliminary data), representing 0.24% of Italy's gross national income (GNI) in 2019. Italy ranked 18th among Development Assistance Committee member countries in relation to its ODA/GNI ratio in 2019. Italy is committed, at the European level, to collectively achieve a 0.7% ODA/GNI ratio by 2030. Under the cash-flow methodology used in the past, net ODA was USD 4.7 billion in 2019. Within Italy's gross ODA portfolio in 2019 (USD 4.9 billion), 97.6% was provided in the form of grants and 2.4% in the form of non-grants (Table 14.5).

**Table 14.5 Financial resources to developing countries and multilateral organisations from Italy, USD million in 2019 (preliminary data).**

Official Development Assistance, grant equivalent measure	4900.0
I. Bilateral ODA	1988.6
Grants	1877.5
Grant equivalents of bilateral loans	102.0
Other, net flows	9.1
Private sector instruments - institutional approach	
Private sector instruments - instrument approach	
Debt relief (4)	9.1
II. Multilateral ODA	2911.4
Grants and capital subscriptions	2911.4
Grant equivalent of loans	
GROSS NATIONAL INCOME AT MARKET PRICES	2017502.5
ODA grant equivalent as per cent of GNI	0.24
Population (million)	60.3
Official Development Assistance, net	4732.9

I. Bilateral ODA, net	1821.5
a. Budget support	15.6
b. Bilateral core support & pooled programmes & funds	331.8
c. Project-type interventions	287.5
d. Experts and other technical assistance	13.9
e. Debt relief (4)	9.1
f. Administrative costs not included elsewhere	22.9
g. Other (5)	1140.6
In-donor refugee costs	1100.0
a. Grants (5)	1848.6
of which: Recoveries on grants	
b. Non grants, gross	118.0
c. Non grants, net (4)	-27.1
of which: Offsetting entry for debt forgiveness	-17.0
II. Multilateral ODA, net	2911.4
a. United Nations	161.2
b. EU	1870.5
c. World Bank (AMCs, IDA, IBRD, IFC, MIGA)	422.8
d. Regional development banks and funds	271.4
e. Other	185.5

Italian multilateral cooperation on climate change has been performed with different United Nations organizations, funds, and institutions<sup>72</sup>. Cooperation has involved from the supply of financial resources, to the design and implementation of programmes and projects, the promotion of transfer of environmentally-sound technologies aiming at reducing the impacts of human activities on climate change, and support to adaptation measures. Italian bilateral cooperation continues activities described in the Fourth National Communication to the UNFCCC and has implemented new projects on climate change. Focus is given to different geographical regions world-wide<sup>73</sup>. Funding climate change and related topics in developing countries has different and ambitious objective: efficient use of energy, implementation of innovative financial mechanisms, efficient water management, carbon sequestration, professional training, and exchange of know-how, promotion of eco-efficient technologies. Further detailed description is given in ‘Chapter 7 Financial assistance and Technology Transfer’ of the Sixth National Communication from Italy (MATTM, 2014).

The DGCS of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs is contributing with bilateral projects in the energy sector, for example, in Albania, Bangladesh, Sierra Leone and Palestinian territories (improvement of electric system or hydroelectric power generation). An example is the hydroelectric project in Ethiopia that has been supported by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Next step of this project will be an ex-post assessment of adverse effects through the use of the OECD-DAC guidelines (MAE, 2010[c]). These guidelines include the assessment of the relevance, effectiveness, efficiency, impact (positive/negative) and sustainability of the activities (OECD, 2008). In June 2010 the guidelines for on-going and ex-post evaluation of official development assistance implemented by the DGCS-Ministry of Foreign Affairs were published (MAE, 2010[d]).

Evidence of technology transfer activities were found in the context of the Kyoto Mechanisms. A study analyzed comprehensively technology transfer in the CDM: 3296 registered and proposed projects (Seres et al., 2009). Results address that roughly 36% of the projects accounting for 59% of the annual emission reductions claim to involve technology transfer. These authors concluded that as the number of projects increases, technology transfer occurs beyond the individual projects. This is observed for several of the most common project types in China and Brazil with the result that the rate of technology transfer for new projects in those countries has fallen significantly.

<sup>72</sup> Italian multilateral cooperation with the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO), Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), the Regional Environmental Centre for Central and Eastern Europe (REC), the Global Environment Facility (GEF), the World Bank (WB), International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN), the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and the Mediterranean Action Plan (MAP).

<sup>73</sup> Italian bilateral cooperation with the Asian and Middle East countries (China, Iraq, Thailand and India), Mediterranean and African region (Algeria, Egypt, Israel, Tunisia, Morocco), Central and Eastern European countries (Albania, Bosnia, Croatia, Bulgaria, Serbia, Montenegro, Macedonia, Poland, Romania, Turkey, Hungary, Kyrgyzstan and Tajikistan), and Latin America, the Caribbean and the Pacific Islands (Belize, Argentina, Mexico, Cuba, Brazil, 14 countries of the South Pacific Small Islands Developing States).

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## 13.5 Priority actions in implementing commitments under Article 3 paragraph 14

For the purposes of completeness in reporting, and according to the reporting guidelines for supplementary information (UNFCCC, 2002), a summary of how Italy gives priority to the actions specified in Decision 15/CMP.1, paragraph 24 is given below. More detailed information is found in the Sixth National Communication under the UNFCCC, Chapter 5 Projections and effects of policies and measures and Chapter 7 Financial resources and transfer of technology (MATTM, 2014). The preparation of this paragraph was discussed with energy experts from ISPRA (ISPRA, 2011[a], [b]).

### Paragraph 24 (a)

*The progressive reduction or phasing out of market imperfections, fiscal incentives, tax and duty exemptions and subsidies in all greenhouse gas emitting sectors, taking into account the need for energy price reforms to reflect market prices and externalities.*

EU emissions trading scheme, promotion of biomass and biofuel, Common Agricultural Policy can potentially have impacts in developing countries (European Commission, 2009[b]). Italy is subject to the European legal system and it will implement the EU legislation. At national level, it is not planned to further increase biomass – biofuel objectives already established (ISPRA, 2011[a]).

### Paragraph 24 (b)

*Removing subsidies associated with the use of environmentally unsound and unsafe technologies.*

Council regulation EC No 1407/2002 rules for granting state aid to contribute to restructure coal industry (European Commission, 2010). Anyway, Italy has a negligible domestic coal production.

### Paragraph 24 (c)

*Cooperating in the technological development of non-energy uses of fossil fuels, and supporting developing country Parties to this end.*

At European level and national level, ‘non-energy uses of fossil fuels’ is not a current research priority (European Commission, 2010).

### Paragraph 24 (d)

*Cooperating in the development, diffusion, and transfer of less greenhouse gas emitting advanced fossil-fuel technologies, and/or technologies relating to fossil fuels that capture and store greenhouse gases, and encouraging their wider use; and facilitating the participation of the least developed countries and other non-Annex I Parties in this effort.*

The ongoing activities on multilateral and bilateral Italian cooperation are coordinated through the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Ministry for the Environment, Land and Sea, see MATTM (2009, 2014).

For example, Italy has signed with India a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on “Co-operation in the Area of Climate Change and Development and Implementation of Projects under the CDM/ Kyoto Protocol”.

In this framework, the MATTM supported a project on Carbon Sequestration Potential Assessment.

The Italian Government has already funded research on carbon capture and storage (CCS) technologies carried out by several organizations and institutions: total value 10-15 million euro for the period 2009-2011. A draft decree transposing EU directive 2009/31/CE in the Italian legislation has been presented to the Parliament by the MATTM and the Ministry for Economic Development. ENEL and ENI, the two major energy utilities in the country, have signed a general agreement for CCS development and will apply for EU funds to set up a pilot unit in Brindisi and a demonstration unit in Porto Tolle. At the international level, Enel is developing a project to build a CO<sub>2</sub> capture system in China and has signed agreements for the development of CCS with other countries like South Korea (ISPRA, 2011[b]).

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**Paragraph 24 (e)**

*Strengthening the capacity of developing country Parties identified in Article 4, paragraphs 8 and 9, of the Convention for improving efficiency in upstream and downstream activities relating to fossil fuels, taking into consideration the need to improve the environmental efficiency of these activities.*

The ongoing activities on multilateral and bilateral Italian cooperation are coordinated through the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Ministry for the Environment, Land and Sea, see MATTM (2009, 2014).

For example, in Central Eastern Europe Italy has multilateral activities within the Regional Environmental Center for Central and Eastern Europe (REC CEE). More than 100 projects have been implemented for the region, specifically, to climate change and energy issues, several programs were carried out on training and capacity building, energy efficiency in small and medium-sized enterprises, public access to information and participation in climate decision-making processes, promotion of climate change mitigation and adaptation policies, development of solar passive and active systems and development of national GHG emission registries.

**Paragraph 24 (f)**

*Assisting developing country Parties which are highly dependent on the export and consumption of fossil fuels in diversifying their economies.*

The ongoing activities on multilateral and bilateral Italian cooperation are coordinated through the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Ministry for the Environment, Land and Sea, see MATTM (2009, 2014). For example, within the framework of the Mediterranean Renewable Energy Programme (MEDREP) Initiative, the MATTM has signed a MoU with UNEP-DTIE in order to carry out projects helping the establishment of a regional RET market in the Mediterranean region (Tunisia, Egypt, Montenegro and Albania). After, the Mediterranean Investment Facility was launched aiming to the development (2007–2011) of several projects having an important impact on CO<sub>2</sub> emissions by diversifying the use of small scale renewable energy and energy efficiency technologies by targeting different niche markets.

In 2007, the MATTM supported the “Observatory for Renewable Energy in Latin America and the Caribbean” through the signature of a Trust Fund Agreement with UNIDO. Activities are focused on biomass utilization in Uruguay and Brazil in order to reduce the methane emissions and the GHGs’ climate change effects, promoting the utilization of bio-digester plants for the electricity production into the livestock farms, based on a local energy management distributed generation system.

### **13.6 Additional information and future activities related to the commitment of Article 3.14 of the Kyoto Protocol**

Italy is aware of its commitments under Article 3.14 of KP, and it is also well aware of the need to assess social, environmental and economic impacts. Different national and international mechanisms and guidelines are guiding the prevention of adverse effects while implementing projects in developing countries. Different activities have been identified for future commitments under Art 3.14. For instance, priority actions need to be further classified into positive and negative, direct and indirect features.

Italian private companies are participating to flexible mechanisms. For instance, ENI an Italian world-wide energy company, projects to reduce gas flaring associated with oil production, with the goal of reducing by 70% emissions from gas flaring, compared to 2007. For some of these projects, ENI promotes the recognition flexible mechanisms within the CDM (ENI, 2010). ENEL is the Italian largest power company that is one of the main worldwide operators applying the CDM. Most of these initiatives were developed bilaterally between Enel-Endesa and the Host country. The group portfolio includes 105 direct participation projects, mostly located in China (79 projects) and other located in India, Africa and Latin America. As for the JI mechanism, the Group’s portfolio includes 7 projects in Uzbekistan and Ukraine and 32 indirect-participation projects in the European Union, Russia, Moldova and Ukraine (ENEL, 2011).

Finally, projects from decentralized development cooperation are to be considered (OICS, 2011). Principles, actors, priority areas and instruments relating to programs conducted by DGCS with the regions and local authorities (provinces and municipalities) are defined in specific guidelines for decentralized cooperation (MAE, 2010[e]).

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### **13.7 Review process of Article 3.14 of the Kyoto Protocol**

In 2011 an in-country review process for the Fifth National Communication took place. During this process also the minimization of adverse impacts in accordance with Article 3, paragraph 14, of the Kyoto Protocol was reviewed. Additional information reported for submission 2010 and 2011 related with this theme was also provided. According to the UNFCCC review report, the Expert review team (ERT) considers the reported information to be transparent and complete. The ERT also commends Italy for its comprehensive, transparent and well-documented information on the minimization of adverse impacts and encourages it to continue exploring and reporting on the adverse impacts of the response measures (UNFCCC, 2011[b]).

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## ANNEX 1: KEY CATEGORIES AND UNCERTAINTY

### A1.1 Introduction

The 2006 IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006) recommends as good practice the identification of *key categories* in national GHG inventories. A *key category* is defined as an emission source that has a significant influence on a country's GHG inventory in terms either of the absolute/relative level of emissions or the trend in emissions, or both. In this document whenever the term *category* is used, it includes both sources and sinks. Two different approaches are reported in the guidelines according to whether or not a country has performed an uncertainty analysis of the inventory: Approach 1 and Approach 2.

When using Approach 1, key categories are identified by means of a pre-determined cumulative emissions threshold, usually fixed at 95% of the total. If an uncertainty analysis is carried out at category level for the inventory, Approach 2 can be used to identify key categories. Approach 2 is a more detailed analysis that builds on Approach 1; in fact, the results of Approach 1 are multiplied by the relative uncertainty of each source/sink category. Key categories are those that represent 90% of the uncertainty contribution. So the factors which make a source or a sink a key category have a high contribution to the total, a high contribution to the trend and a high uncertainty. If both the approaches are applied it is good practice to use the results of the Approach 2 analysis.

For the Italian inventory, a key category analysis has been carried out according to both the methods, excluding and including the LULUCF sector. National emissions have been disaggregated, as far as possible, into the categories proposed in the IPCC guidelines; other categories have been added to reflect specific national circumstances. Both level and trend analysis have been applied. For the base year, the level assessment has been carried out.

Summary of the results of the key category analysis, for the base year and 2019, is reported in Tables 1.3– 1.6 of chapter 1. The tables indicate whether a key category derives from the level assessment or the trend assessment, according to Approach 1, Approach 2 or both.

For the base year, 27 categories were individuated according to Approach 1, whereas 30 categories were carried out by Approach 2. Including the LULUCF sector in the analysis, 34 categories were selected according to Approach 1 and 35 with Approach 2.

For the year 2019, 27 categories were individuated by the Approach 1 accounting for 95% of the total emissions, without LULUCF; for the trend 25 key categories were also selected. Repeating the key category analysis for the full inventory, including the LULUCF sector, 33 categories were individuated accounting for 95% of the total emissions and removals in 2019, and 33 key categories in trend assessment.

The application of the Approach 2 to the 2019 emission levels gives as a result 28 key categories accounting for the 90% of the total levels with uncertainty; when applying the trend analysis the number of the key categories is equal to 30. The application of the Approach 2 including the LULUCF categories results in 30 key categories, for the year 2019, accounting for the 90% of the total levels with uncertainty; for the trend analysis including LULUCF categories, the results were 33 key categories.

### A1.2 Approach 1 key category assessment

As described in the 2006 IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006), the Approach 1 for identifying key categories assesses the impact of various categories on the level and on the trend of the national emission inventory. Both level and trend assessments should be applied to an emission GHG inventory.

As regards the level assessment, the contribution of each source or sink category to the total national inventory level is calculated as follows:

$$\text{Category Level Assessment} = \frac{|\text{Source or Sink Category Estimate}|}{\text{Total Contribution}}$$

$$L_{x,t} = \frac{|E_{x,t}|}{\sum_y |E_{y,t}|}$$

where

$L_{x,t}$  = level assessment for source or sink  $x$  in year  $t$ ;

$|E_{x,t}|$  = absolute value of emission and removal estimate of source or sink category  $x$  in year  $t$ ;  
 $\sum_y |E_{y,t}|$  = total contribution, which is the sum of the absolute values of emissions and removals in year  $t$ .

The contribution of all categories (including the LULUCF sector) is entered as absolute values. Therefore, key categories are those which, when summed in descending order of magnitude, add up to over 95% of the total emissions.

As far as the trend assessment is concerned, the contribution of each source and sink category's trend can be assessed by the following equation:

Category Trend Assessment =

(Source or Sink Category Level Assessment)  $\cdot$  |Source or Sink Category Trend - Total Trend|

$$T_{x,t} = |E_{x,0}| / \sum_y |E_{y,0}| \cdot \left| \left[ \frac{(E_{x,t} - E_{x,0})}{|E_{x,0}|} \right] - \left[ \frac{(E_t - E_0)}{\sum_y |E_{y,0}|} \right] \right|$$

where

$T_{x,t}$  = trend assessment, which is the contribution of the category trend to the overall inventory trend;

$|E_{x,0}|$  = absolute value of emission and removal estimate of category  $x$  in the base year (year 0);

$\sum_y |E_{y,0}|$  = total contribution, which is the sum of the absolute values of emissions and removals in year 0;

$E_{x,t}$  and  $E_{x,0}$  = real values of estimates of category  $x$  in years  $t$  and 0, respectively;

$E_t$  and  $E_0 = \sum_y E_{y,t}$  and  $\sum_y E_{y,0}$  = total inventory estimates in years  $t$  and 0, respectively.

The source or sink category trend is the change in the category emissions over time, computed by subtracting the base year estimate for a generic category from the latest inventory year estimate and dividing by the absolute value of the latest inventory year estimate; the total trend is the change in the total inventory emissions over time, computed by subtracting the base year estimate for the total inventory from the current year estimate and dividing by the current year estimate.

In circumstances where the base year emissions for a given category are zero, the expression is reformulated to avoid zero in the denominator:

$$T_{x,t} = |E_{x,t}| / |E_{x,0}|$$

As differences in trend are more significant to the overall inventory level for larger categories, the results of the trend difference is multiplied by the results of the level assessment to provide appropriate weighting.

Thus, key categories will be those for which the category trend diverges significantly from the total trend, weighted by the emission level of the category.

Both level and trend assessments have been carried out for the Italian GHG inventory. For the base year, a level assessment is computed.

In this section, detailed results are reported for the last year inventory.

The results of Approach 1 are shown in Table A1.1 and Table A1.2, level and trend assessments without LULUCF categories. Results of the key category analysis with the LULUCF are reported in Table A1.3 and Table A1.4.

**Table A1.1 Results of the key category analysis without LULUCF. Approach 1 Level assessment, year 2019**

<b>CATEGORIES</b>	<b>2019 <i>kt CO<sub>2</sub> eq</i></b>	<b>Level assessment</b>	<b>Cumulative Percentage</b>
Transport - CO2 Road transportation	96,606	0.231	0.23
Other sectors - CO2 commercial, residential, agriculture gaseous fuels	56,360	0.135	0.37
Energy industries - CO2 gaseous fuels	53,771	0.129	0.49
Manufacturing industries and construction - CO2 gaseous fuels	32,109	0.077	0.57
Energy industries - CO2 solid fuels	21,699	0.052	0.62
Energy industries - CO2 liquid fuels	15,678	0.037	0.66
Other sectors - CO2 commercial, residential, agriculture liquid fuels	14,338	0.034	0.69
Product uses as substitutes for ozone depleting substances - HFCs Refrigeration and Air conditioning	14,326	0.034	0.73
Solid waste disposal - CH4	13,659	0.033	0.76
Enteric Fermentation- CH4	13,241	0.032	0.79
Manufacturing industries and construction - CO2 liquid fuels	9,084	0.022	0.81
Mineral industry- CO2 Cement production	7,912	0.019	0.83
Manufacturing industries and construction - CO2 solid fuels	7,096	0.017	0.85
Direct N2O Emissions from Managed soils	6,476	0.015	0.87
Other sectors - CO2 commercial, residential, agriculture other fossil fuels	6,004	0.014	0.88
Transport - CO2 Waterborne navigation	4,484	0.011	0.89
Manure Management - CH4	4,132	0.010	0.90
Fugitive - CH4 Oil and natural gas - Natural gas	3,861	0.009	0.91
Wastewater treatment and discharge - CH4	2,447	0.006	0.92
Transport - CO2 Civil Aviation	2,379	0.006	0.92
Other sectors - CH4 commercial, residential, agriculture biomass	2,235	0.005	0.93
Fugitive - CO2 Oil and natural gas - Oil	2,143	0.005	0.93
Manure Management - N2O	2,081	0.005	0.94
Mineral industry- CO2 Lime production	1,797	0.004	0.94
Product uses as substitutes for ozone depleting substances - HFCs Fire protection	1,609	0.004	0.946
Rice cultivations - CH4	1,583	0.004	0.949
Indirect N2O Emissions from Managed soils	1,554	0.004	0.953
Metal industry- CO2 Iron and steel production	1,357	0.003	0.96
Wastewater treatment and discharge - N2O	1,341	0.003	0.96
Other sectors - N2O commercial, residential, agriculture biomass	1,199	0.003	0.96
Non-Energy products from Fuels and Solvent Use - CO2	1,091	0.003	0.97
Transport - N2O Road transportation	947	0.002	0.97
Chemical industry- PFCs Fluorochemical production	870	0.002	0.97
Other sectors - N2O commercial, residential, agriculture liquid fuels	805	0.002	0.97
Transport - CO2 Other transportation - pipelines	678	0.002	0.97
Mineral industry- CO2 Other processes uses of carbonates	627	0.001	0.97

**Table A1.2 Results of the key category analysis without LULUCF. Approach 1 Trend assessment base year-2019**

<b>CATEGORIES</b>	<b>Contribution to trend (%)</b>	<b>Cumulative Percentage</b>
Energy industries - CO2 liquid fuels	0.190	0.19
Energy industries - CO2 gaseous fuels	0.153	0.34
Other sectors - CO2 commercial, residential, agriculture gaseous fuels	0.103	0.45
Transport - CO2 Road transportation	0.085	0.53
Manufacturing industries and construction - CO2 liquid fuels	0.066	0.60
Other sectors - CO2 commercial, residential, agriculture liquid fuels	0.063	0.66
Product uses as substitutes for ozone depleting substances - HFCs Refrigeration and Air conditioning	0.055	0.71
Manufacturing industries and construction - CO2 solid fuels	0.052	0.77
Energy industries - CO2 solid fuels	0.036	0.80
Manufacturing industries and construction - CO2 gaseous fuels	0.023	0.83
Other sectors - CO2 commercial, residential, agriculture other fossil fuels	0.021	0.85
Mineral industry- CO2 Cement production	0.019	0.87
Solid waste disposal - CH4	0.015	0.88
Chemical industry- N2O Adipic acid production	0.013	0.89
Fugitive - CH4 Oil and natural gas - Natural gas	0.011	0.90
Product uses as substitutes for ozone depleting substances - HFCs Fire protection	0.006	0.91
Metal industry- PFCs Aluminium production	0.006	0.92
Chemical industry- N2O Nitric acid production	0.006	0.92
Other sectors - CH4 commercial, residential, agriculture biomass	0.005	0.93
Mineral industry- CO2 Other processes uses of carbonates	0.005	0.93
Transport - CO2 Civil Aviation	0.004	0.94
Metal industry- CO2 Iron and steel production	0.004	0.94
Chemical industry- CO2 Ammonia production	0.004	0.95
Other sectors - N2O commercial, residential, agriculture biomass	0.003	0.95
Enteric Fermentation- CH4	0.003	0.952
Other sectors - CO2 commercial, residential, agriculture solid fuels	0.003	0.955
Product uses as substitutes for ozone depleting substances - HFCs Foam blowing agents	0.002	0.96
Manufacturing industries and construction - CO2 other fuels	0.002	0.96
Transport - CH4 Road transportation	0.002	0.96
Biological treatment of Solid waste - N2O	0.002	0.96

**Table A1.3 Results of the key category analysis with LULUCF. Approach 1 Level assessment, year 2019**

<b>CATEGORIES</b>	<b>2019 kt CO<sub>2</sub> eq</b>	<b>Level assessment</b>	<b>Cumulative Percentage</b>
Transport - CO <sub>2</sub> Road transportation	95,796	0.201	0.20
Other sectors - CO <sub>2</sub> commercial, residential, agriculture gaseous fuels	57,523	0.121	0.32
Energy industries - CO <sub>2</sub> gaseous fuels	48,773	0.102	0.42
Manufacturing industries and construction - CO <sub>2</sub> gaseous fuels	32,272	0.068	0.49
Energy industries - CO <sub>2</sub> solid fuels	29,672	0.062	0.55
Forest Land remaining Forest Land - CO <sub>2</sub>	-27,772	0.058	0.61
Energy industries - CO <sub>2</sub> liquid fuels	16,635	0.035	0.65
Other sectors - CO <sub>2</sub> commercial, residential, agriculture liquid fuels	15,039	0.032	0.68
Enteric Fermentation- CH <sub>4</sub>	14,202	0.030	0.71
Product uses as substitutes for ozone depleting substances - HFCs Refrigeration and Air conditioning	14,068	0.029	0.74
Solid waste disposal - CH <sub>4</sub>	13,704	0.029	0.77
Manufacturing industries and construction - CO <sub>2</sub> liquid fuels	12,488	0.026	0.79
Mineral industry- CO <sub>2</sub> Cement production	7,757	0.016	0.81
Manufacturing industries and construction - CO <sub>2</sub> solid fuels	7,635	0.016	0.82
Direct N <sub>2</sub> O Emissions from Managed soils	6,710	0.014	0.84
Land Converted to Grassland - CO <sub>2</sub>	-6,393	0.013	0.85
Other sectors - CO <sub>2</sub> commercial, residential, agriculture other fossil fuels	5,820	0.012	0.86
Land Converted to Forest Land - CO <sub>2</sub>	-5,699	0.012	0.88
Land Converted to Settlements - CO <sub>2</sub>	5,185	0.011	0.89
Fugitive - CH <sub>4</sub> Oil and natural gas - Natural gas	4,120	0.009	0.90
Transport - CO <sub>2</sub> Waterborne navigation	4,052	0.008	0.90
Manure Management - CH <sub>4</sub>	3,480	0.007	0.91
Wastewater treatment and discharge - CH <sub>4</sub>	2,443	0.005	0.92
Transport - CO <sub>2</sub> Civil Aviation	2,318	0.005	0.92
Other sectors - CH <sub>4</sub> commercial, residential, agriculture biomass	2,234	0.005	0.93
Manure Management - N <sub>2</sub> O	2,189	0.005	0.93
Grassland Remaining Grassland - CO <sub>2</sub>	-2,002	0.004	0.93
Mineral industry- CO <sub>2</sub> Lime production	1,869	0.004	0.94
Product uses as substitutes for ozone depleting substances - HFCs Fire protection	1,612	0.003	0.94
Indirect N <sub>2</sub> O Emissions from Managed soils	1,612	0.003	0.945
Fugitive - CO <sub>2</sub> Oil and natural gas - Oil	1,592	0.003	0.949
Rice cultivations - CH <sub>4</sub>	1,553	0.003	0.9518
Chemical industry- PFCs Fluorochemical production	1,511	0.003	0.955
Metal industry- CO <sub>2</sub> Iron and steel production	1,436	0.003	0.96
Wastewater treatment and discharge - N <sub>2</sub> O	1,344	0.003	0.96
Other sectors - N <sub>2</sub> O commercial, residential, agriculture biomass	1,202	0.003	0.96
Non-Energy products from Fuels and Solvent Use - CO <sub>2</sub>	1,097	0.002	0.97

**Table A1.4 Results of the key category analysis with LULUCF. Approach 1 Trend assessment, base year-2019**

CATEGORIES	% Contribution to trend	Cumulative Percentage
Energy industries - CO2 liquid fuels	0.151	0.15
Energy industries - CO2 gaseous fuels	0.143	0.29
Other sectors - CO2 commercial, residential, agriculture gaseous fuels	0.103	0.40
Transport - CO2 Road transportation	0.100	0.50
Product uses as substitutes for ozone depleting substances - HFCs Refrigeration and Air conditioning	0.053	0.55
Manufacturing industries and construction - CO2 liquid fuels	0.051	0.60
Other sectors - CO2 commercial, residential, agriculture liquid fuels	0.047	0.65
Forest Land remaining Forest Land - CO2	0.042	0.69
Manufacturing industries and construction - CO2 solid fuels	0.040	0.73
Manufacturing industries and construction - CO2 gaseous fuels	0.029	0.76
Energy industries - CO2 solid fuels	0.023	0.78
Grassland Remaining Grassland - CO2	0.021	0.80
Other sectors - CO2 commercial, residential, agriculture other fossil fuels	0.019	0.82
Solid waste disposal - CH4	0.016	0.84
Land Converted to Grassland - CO2	0.013	0.85
Mineral industry- CO2 Cement production	0.013	0.86
Chemical industry- N2O Adipic acid production	0.011	0.88
Land Converted to Forest Land - CO2	0.009	0.88
Fugitive - CH4 Oil and natural gas - Natural gas	0.007	0.89
Enteric Fermentation- CH4	0.007	0.90
Cropland Remaining Cropland - CO2	0.006	0.90
Product uses as substitutes for ozone depleting substances - HFCs Fire protection	0.006	0.91
Other sectors - CH4 commercial, residential, agriculture biomass	0.005	0.92
Metal industry- PFCs Aluminium production	0.005	0.92
Chemical industry- N2O Nitric acid production	0.005	0.93
Harvest Wood Products - CO2	0.005	0.93
Transport - CO2 Civil Aviation	0.004	0.93
Mineral industry- CO2 Other processes uses of carbonates	0.004	0.94
Metal industry- CO2 Iron and steel production	0.003	0.94
Chemical industry- CO2 Ammonia production	0.003	0.945
Other sectors - N2O commercial, residential, agriculture biomass	0.003	0.947
Other sectors - CO2 commercial, residential, agriculture solid fuels	0.002	0.950
Product uses as substitutes for ozone depleting substances - HFCs Foam blowing agents	0.002	0.9519
Manufacturing industries and construction - CO2 other fuels	0.002	0.954
Manure Management - CH4	0.002	0.96
Direct N2O Emissions from Managed soils	0.002	0.96
Transport - CO2 Waterborne navigation	0.002	0.96
Biological treatment of Solid waste - N2O	0.002	0.96

The application of Approach 1, excluding LULUCF categories, gives as a result 27 key categories accounting for the 95% of the total levels; when applying the trend analysis, excluding LULUCF categories, the number of key categories is equal to 25 (Tables A1.1, A1.2).

The Approach 1 level assessment repeated for the full inventory, including the LULUCF, results in 33 key categories (sources and sinks), and also 33 key categories outcome from the trend analysis (Tables A1.3, A1.4). For the base year, the results are reported in the following tables, including and excluding LULUCF.

**Table A1.5 Results of the key category analysis without LULUCF. Approach 1 Level assessment, base year**

CATEGORIES	Base year	Level	Cumulative
	kt CO <sub>2</sub> eq	assessment	Percentage
Transport - CO2 Road transportation	92,332	0.18	0.18
Energy industries - CO2 liquid fuels	81,197	0.16	0.33
Energy industries - CO2 solid fuels	38,647	0.07	0.41
Other sectors - CO2 commercial, residential, agriculture liquid fuels	38,274	0.07	0.48
Other sectors - CO2 commercial, residential, agriculture gaseous fuels	36,338	0.07	0.55
Manufacturing industries and construction - CO2 liquid fuels	32,805	0.06	0.62
Manufacturing industries and construction - CO2 gaseous fuels	32,234	0.06	0.68
Manufacturing industries and construction - CO2 solid fuels	25,732	0.05	0.73
Energy industries - CO2 gaseous fuels	16,954	0.03	0.76
Mineral industry- CO2 Cement production	15,846	0.03	0.79
Enteric Fermentation- CH4	15,497	0.03	0.82
Solid waste disposal - CH4	12,206	0.02	0.84
Fugitive - CH4 Oil and natural gas - Natural gas	8,236	0.02	0.86
Direct N2O Emissions from Managed soils	8,108	0.02	0.88
Transport - CO2 Waterborne navigation	5,470	0.01	0.89
Manure Management - CH4	4,843	0.01	0.90
Chemical industry- N2O Adipic acid production	4,402	0.01	0.90
Wastewater treatment and discharge - CH4	3,209	0.01	0.91
Metal industry- CO2 Iron and steel production	3,124	0.01	0.92
Manure Management - N2O	2,814	0.01	0.92
Mineral industry- CO2 Other processes uses of carbonates	2,544	0.00	0.93
Fugitive - CO2 Oil and natural gas - Oil	2,402	0.00	0.93
Chemical industry- N2O Nitric acid production	2,005	0.00	0.935
Indirect N2O Emissions from Managed soils	2,003	0.00	0.939
Metal industry- PFCs Aluminium production	1,975	0.00	0.943
Chemical industry- CO2 Ammonia production	1,892	0.00	0.947
Mineral industry- CO2 Lime production	1,877	0.00	0.9502
Rice cultivations - CH4	1,876	0.00	0.954
Non-Energy products from Fuels and Solvent Use - CO2	1,712	0.00	0.957

**Table A1.6 Results of the key category analysis with LULUCF. Approach 1 Level assessment, base year**

<b>CATEGORIES</b>	<b>Base year kt CO<sub>2</sub> eq</b>	<b>Level assessment</b>	<b>Cumulative Percentage</b>
Transport - CO2 Road transportation	92,332	0.17	0.17
Energy industries - CO2 liquid fuels	81,197	0.15	0.31
Energy industries - CO2 solid fuels	38,647	0.07	0.38
Other sectors - CO2 commercial, residential, agriculture liquid fuels	38,274	0.07	0.45
Other sectors - CO2 commercial, residential, agriculture gaseous fuels	36,338	0.07	0.52
Manufacturing industries and construction - CO2 liquid fuels	32,805	0.06	0.58
Manufacturing industries and construction - CO2 gaseous fuels	32,234	0.06	0.63
Manufacturing industries and construction - CO2 solid fuels	25,732	0.05	0.68
Energy industries - CO2 gaseous fuels	16,954	0.03	0.71
Mineral industry- CO2 Cement production	15,846	0.03	0.74
Enteric Fermentation- CH4	15,497	0.03	0.77
Forest Land remaining Forest Land - CO2	-15,002	0.03	0.79
Solid waste disposal - CH4	12,206	0.02	0.82
Fugitive - CH4 Oil and natural gas - Natural gas	8,236	0.01	0.83
Direct N2O Emissions from Managed soils	8,108	0.01	0.85
Land Converted to Settlements - CO2	6,640	0.01	0.86
Transport - CO2 Waterborne navigation	5,470	0.01	0.87
Grassland Remaining Grassland - CO2	5,358	0.01	0.88
Manure Management - CH4	4,843	0.01	0.89
Chemical industry- N2O Adipic acid production	4,402	0.01	0.89
Wastewater treatment and discharge - CH4	3,209	0.01	0.90
Metal industry- CO2 Iron and steel production	3,124	0.01	0.90
Land Converted to Forest Land - CO2	-2,849	0.01	0.91
Manure Management - N2O	2,814	0.01	0.92
Mineral industry- CO2 Other processes uses of carbonates	2,544	0.00	0.92
Fugitive - CO2 Oil and natural gas - Oil	2,402	0.00	0.92
Chemical industry- N2O Nitric acid production	2,005	0.00	0.93
Indirect N2O Emissions from Managed soils	2,003	0.00	0.93
Metal industry- PFCs Aluminium production	1,975	0.00	0.93
Chemical industry- CO2 Ammonia production	1,892	0.00	0.94
Mineral industry- CO2 Lime production	1,877	0.00	0.94
Rice cultivations - CH4	1,876	0.00	0.94
Land Converted to Grassland - CO2	-1,754	0.00	0.948
Non-Energy products from Fuels and Solvent Use - CO2	1,712	0.00	0.9511
Land Converted to Cropland - CO2	1,519	0.00	0.9539
Transport - CO2 Civil Aviation	1,493	0.00	0.96
Wastewater treatment and discharge - N2O	1,266	0.00	0.96

The application of Approach 1 to the base year, excluding LULUCF categories, gives as a result 27 key categories accounting for the 95% of the total levels; when applying the base year assessment, including the LULUCF, the number of key categories increases to 34 (Tables A1.5, A1.6).

### **A1.3 Uncertainty assessment (IPCC Approach 1)**

Approach 2 for the identification of key categories implies the assessment of the uncertainty analysis to an emission inventory. As already mentioned, the IPCC Approach 1 has been applied to the Italian GHG inventory to estimate uncertainties for the base year and the last submitted year. In this section, detailed results are reported for the 2019 inventory. The uncertainty analysis has also been implemented both excluding and including the LULUCF sector in the national totals.

Results are reported in Table A1.7, for the year 2019, excluding the LULUCF sector and in Table A1.8 figures of inventory total uncertainty, including the LULUCF sector, are shown.

Details on the method used for LULUCF are described in chapter 6.

**Table A1.7 Results of the uncertainty analysis excluding LULUCF (Approach 1). Year 2019**

IPCC category	Gas	Emissions		AD	EF	Uncertainty Combined	Contribution to variance	Sensitivity		Uncertainty in trend		
		Base year	2019					Type A	Type B	introduced by EF uncertainty	introduced by AD uncertainty	in total national emissions
Energy industries - CO2 liquid fuels	CO2	81,197	15,678	3%	3%	0.042	0.000	0.096	0.030	0.003	0.001	0.0000099
Energy industries - CO2 solid fuels	CO2	38,647	21,699	3%	3%	0.042	0.000	0.018	0.042	0.001	0.002	0.0000034
Energy industries - CO2 gaseous fuels	CO2	16,954	53,771	3%	3%	0.042	0.000	0.077	0.104	0.002	0.004	0.0000247
Energy industries - CO2 other fuels	CO2	143	164	3%	3%	0.042	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0000000
Energy industries - N2O liquid fuels	N2O	288	129	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0000000
Energy industries - N2O solid fuels	N2O	163	93	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0000000
Energy industries - N2O gaseous fuels	N2O	9	32	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0000000
Energy industries - N2O other fuels	N2O	1	1	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0000000
Energy industries - N2O biomass	N2O	16	106	20%	50%	0.539	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0000000
Energy industries - CH4 liquid fuels	CH4	74	9	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0000000
Energy industries - CH4 solid fuels	CH4	132	15	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0000000
Energy industries - CH4 gaseous fuels	CH4	11	34	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0000000
Energy industries - CH4 other fuels	CH4	0	0	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0000000
Energy industries - CH4 biomass	CH4	10	64	20%	50%	0.539	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0000000
Manufacturing industries and construction - CO2 liquid fuels	CO2	32,805	9,084	3%	3%	0.042	0.000	0.033	0.018	0.001	0.001	0.0000016
Manufacturing industries and construction - CO2 solid fuels	CO2	25,732	7,096	3%	3%	0.042	0.000	0.026	0.014	0.001	0.001	0.0000010
Manufacturing industries and construction - CO2 gaseous fuels	CO2	32,234	32,109	3%	3%	0.042	0.000	0.012	0.062	0.000	0.003	0.0000070
Manufacturing industries and construction - CO2 other fuels	CO2	0	550	3%	3%	0.042	0.000	0.001	0.001	0.000	0.000	0.0000000
Manufacturing industries and construction - N2O liquid fuels	N2O	926	397	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.001	0.001	0.000	0.000	0.0000001
Manufacturing industries and construction - N2O solid fuels	N2O	243	67	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0000000
Manufacturing industries and construction - N2O gaseous fuels	N2O	164	177	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0000000
Manufacturing industries and construction - N2O other fuels	N2O	0	30	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0000000
Manufacturing industries and construction - N2O biomass	N2O	6	76	20%	50%	0.539	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0000000
Manufacturing industries and construction - CH4 liquid fuels	CH4	42	15	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0000000
Manufacturing industries and construction - CH4 solid fuels	CH4	107	47	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0000000
Manufacturing industries and construction - CH4 gaseous fuels	CH4	14	14	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0000000

IPCC category	Gas	Emissions			Uncertainty		Contribution to variance	Sensitivity		Uncertainty in trend		in total national emissions
		Base year	2019	AD	EF	Combined		Type A	Type B	introduced by EF uncertainty	introduced by AD uncertainty	
Manufacturing industries and construction - CH4 other fuels	CH4	0	1	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0000000
Manufacturing industries and construction - CH4 biomass	CH4	4	210	20%	50%	0.539	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0000001
Transport - CO2 Road transportation	CO2	92,332	96,606	3%	3%	0.042	0.000	0.043	0.186	0.001	0.008	0.0000641
Transport - N2O Road transportation	N2O	862	947	3%	40%	0.401	0.000	0.000	0.002	0.000	0.000	0.0000000
Transport - CH4 Road transportation	CH4	867	186	3%	40%	0.401	0.000	0.001	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0000002
Transport - CO2 Waterborne navigation	CO2	5,470	4,484	3%	3%	0.042	0.000	0.000	0.009	0.000	0.000	0.0000001
Transport - N2O Waterborne navigation	N2O	38	33	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0000000
Transport - CH4 Waterborne navigation	CH4	35	17	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0000000
Transport - CO2 Civil Aviation	CO2	1,493	2,379	3%	3%	0.042	0.000	0.002	0.005	0.000	0.000	0.0000000
Transport - N2O Civil Aviation	N2O	12	20	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0000000
Transport - CH4 Civil Aviation	CH4	1	1	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0000000
Transport - CO2 Railways	CO2	613	135	3%	5%	0.058	0.000	0.001	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0000000
Transport - N2O Railways	N2O	72	16	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0000000
Transport - CH4 Railways	CH4	1	0	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0000000
Transport - CO2 Other transportation - pipelines	CO2	411	678	3%	3%	0.042	0.000	0.001	0.001	0.000	0.000	0.0000000
Transport - N2O Other transportation - pipelines	N2O	7	10	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0000000
Transport - CH4 Other transportation - pipelines	CH4	0	1	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0000000
Other sectors - CO2 commercial, residential, agriculture liquid fuels	CO2	38,274	14,338	3%	3%	0.042	0.000	0.032	0.028	0.001	0.001	0.0000023
Other sectors - CO2 commercial, residential, agriculture solid fuels	CO2	899	0	3%	3%	0.042	0.000	0.001	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0000000
Other sectors - CO2 commercial, residential, agriculture gaseous fuels	CO2	36,338	56,360	3%	3%	0.042	0.000	0.052	0.109	0.002	0.005	0.0000237
Other sectors - CO2 commercial, residential, agriculture other fossil fuels	CO2	530	6,004	3%	3%	0.042	0.000	0.011	0.012	0.000	0.000	0.0000003
Other sectors - N2O commercial, residential, agriculture liquid fuels	N2O	996	805	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.000	0.002	0.000	0.000	0.0000000
Other sectors - N2O commercial, residential, agriculture solid fuels	N2O	4	0	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0000000
Other sectors - N2O commercial, residential, agriculture gaseous fuels	N2O	194	291	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.000	0.001	0.000	0.000	0.0000000
Other sectors - N2O commercial, residential, agriculture other fossil fuels	N2O	15	164	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0000000
Other sectors - N2O commercial, residential, agriculture biomass	N2O	531	1,199	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.001	0.002	0.001	0.000	0.0000006
Other sectors - CH4 commercial, residential, agriculture liquid fuels	CH4	94	19	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0000000

IPCC category	Gas	Emissions			Uncertainty		Contribution to variance	Sensitivity		Uncertainty in trend		
		Base year	2019	AD	EF	Combined		Type A	Type B	introduced by EF uncertainty	introduced by AD uncertainty	in total national emissions
Other sectors - CH4 commercial, residential, agriculture gaseous fuels	CH4	41	61	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0000000
Other sectors - CH4 commercial, residential, agriculture other fossil fuels	CH4	1	8	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0000000
Other sectors - CH4 commercial, residential, agriculture biomass	CH4	996	2,235	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.003	0.004	0.001	0.000	0.0000019
Other non specified - CO2 military mobile - liquid fuels	CO2	1,071	453	3%	5%	0.058	0.000	0.001	0.001	0.000	0.000	0.0000000
Other non specified - N2O military mobile - liquid fuels	N2O	67	13	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0000000
Other non specified - CH4 military mobile - liquid fuels	CH4	4	1	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0000000
Fugitive - CO2 Solid fuels	CO2	0	0	3%	10%	0.104	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0000000
Fugitive - CH4 Solid fuels	CH4	132	32	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0000000
Fugitive - CO2 Oil and natural gas - Oil	CO2	2,402	2,143	3%	10%	0.104	0.000	0.000	0.004	0.000	0.000	0.0000000
Fugitive - CH4 Oil and natural gas - Oil	CH4	310	244	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0000000
Fugitive - N2O Oil and natural gas - Oil	N2O	0	0	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0000000
Fugitive - CO2 Oil and natural gas - Natural gas	CO2	9	5	3%	10%	0.104	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0000000
Fugitive - CH4 Oil and natural gas - Natural gas	CH4	8,236	3,861	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.005	0.007	0.003	0.000	0.0000073
Fugitive - CO2 Oil and natural gas - venting and flaring	CO2	956	396	50%	10%	0.510	0.000	0.001	0.001	0.000	0.001	0.0000003
Fugitive - N2O Oil and natural gas - venting and flaring	N2O	1	1	50%	50%	0.707	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0000000
Fugitive - CH4 Oil and natural gas - venting and flaring	CH4	178	53	50%	50%	0.707	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0000000
Fugitive - CO2 Oil and natural gas - Other - flaring in refineries	CO2	681	213	50%	10%	0.510	0.000	0.001	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0000001
Fugitive - N2O Oil and natural gas - Other - flaring in refineries	N2O	11	8	50%	50%	0.707	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0000000
Fugitive - CH4 Oil and natural gas - Other - flaring in refineries	CH4	202	550	50%	50%	0.707	0.000	0.001	0.001	0.000	0.001	0.0000007
Mineral industry- CO2 Cement production	CO2	15,846	7,912	3%	10%	0.104	0.000	0.009	0.015	0.001	0.001	0.0000013
Mineral industry- CO2 Lime production	CO2	1,877	1,797	3%	10%	0.104	0.000	0.001	0.003	0.000	0.000	0.0000000
Mineral industry- CO2 Glass production	CO2	453	597	3%	10%	0.104	0.000	0.000	0.001	0.000	0.000	0.0000000
Mineral industry- CO2 Other processes uses of carbonates	CO2	2,544	627	3%	10%	0.104	0.000	0.003	0.001	0.000	0.000	0.0000001
Chemical industry- CO2 Ammonia production	CO2	1,892	531	3%	10%	0.104	0.000	0.002	0.001	0.000	0.000	0.0000000
Chemical industry- N2O Nitric acid production	N2O	2,005	43	3%	10%	0.104	0.000	0.003	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0000001
Chemical industry - CO2 Adipic acid production	CO2	1	2	3%	10%	0.104	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0000000

IPCC category	Gas	Emissions			Uncertainty		Contribution to variance	Sensitivity		Uncertainty in trend		
		Base year	2019	AD	EF	Combined		Type A	Type B	introduced by EF uncertainty	introduced by AD uncertainty	in total national emissions
Chemical industry- N2O Adipic acid production	N2O	4,402	78	3%	10%	0.104	0.000	0.007	0.000	0.001	0.000	0.0000004
Chemical industry- Caprolactam, Glyoxal and Glyoxylic Acid production -N2O	N2O	11	0	3%	10%	0.104	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0000000
Chemical industry- CO2 Carbide production	CO2	26	4	3%	10%	0.104	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0000000
Chemical industry- CO2 Titanium dioxide production	CO2	0	0	3%	10%	0.104	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0000000
Chemical industry- CO2 Soda ash production	CO2	183	301	3%	10%	0.104	0.000	0.000	0.001	0.000	0.000	0.0000000
Chemical industry - CO2 Petrochemical and carbon black production	CO2	422	477	3%	10%	0.104	0.000	0.000	0.001	0.000	0.000	0.0000000
Chemical industry - CH4 Petrochemical and carbon black production	CH4	61	4	3%	10%	0.104	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0000000
Chemical industry- HFCs Fluorochemical production	HFCs	444	1	5%	50%	0.502	0.000	0.001	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0000001
Chemical industry- PFCs Fluorochemical production	PFCs	932	870	5%	50%	0.502	0.000	0.000	0.002	0.000	0.000	0.0000000
Chemical industry- SF6 Fluorochemical production	SF6	114	0	5%	50%	0.502	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0000000
Metal industry- CO2 Iron and steel production	CO2	3,124	1,357	3%	10%	0.104	0.000	0.002	0.003	0.000	0.000	0.0000001
Metal industry- CH4 Iron and steel production	CH4	68	38	3%	10%	0.104	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0000000
Metal industry- CO2 Ferroalloys production	CO2	395	0	3%	10%	0.104	0.000	0.001	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0000000
Metal industry- CO2 Aluminium production	CO2	359	0	3%	20%	0.202	0.000	0.001	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0000000
Metal industry- PFCs Aluminium production	PFCs	1,975	0	3%	20%	0.202	0.000	0.003	0.000	0.001	0.000	0.0000004
Metal industry- HFCs Magnesium production	HFCs	0	6	3%	20%	0.202	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0000000
Metal industry- CO2 Zinc production	CO2	500	245	3%	10%	0.104	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0000000
Non-Energy products from Fuels and Solvent Use - CO2	CO2	1,712	1,091	30%	50%	0.583	0.000	0.001	0.002	0.000	0.001	0.0000009
Electronics Industry - HFCs	HFCs	0	33	5%	20%	0.206	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0000000
Electronics Industry - PFCs	PFCs	0	158	5%	20%	0.206	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0000000
Electronics Industry - SF6	SF6	0	60	5%	20%	0.206	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0000000
Electronics Industry - NF3	NF3	77	18	5%	20%	0.206	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0000000
Product uses as substitutes for ozone depleting substances - HFCs Refrigeration and Air conditioning	HFCs	0	14,326	30%	50%	0.583	0.000	0.028	0.028	0.014	0.012	0.0003279
Product uses as substitutes for ozone depleting substances - HFCs Foam blowing agents	HFCs	0	587	30%	50%	0.583	0.000	0.001	0.001	0.001	0.000	0.0000006
Product uses as substitutes for ozone depleting substances - HFCs Fire protection	HFCs	0	1,609	30%	50%	0.583	0.000	0.003	0.003	0.002	0.001	0.0000041
Product uses as substitutes for ozone depleting substances - HFCs Aerosols	HFCs	0	262	30%	50%	0.583	0.000	0.001	0.001	0.000	0.000	0.0000001

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		Base year	2019	AD	EF	Combined		Type A	Type B	introduced by EF uncertainty	introduced by AD uncertainty	in total national emissions	
Other Product Manufacture and Use - SF6	SF6	294	384	5%	20%	0.206	0.000	0.000	0.001	0.000	0.000	0.0000000	
Other Product Manufacture and Use - N2O	N2O	781	520	5%	10%	0.112	0.000	0.000	0.001	0.000	0.000	0.0000000	
Enteric Fermentation- CH4	CH4	15,497	13,241	3%	20%	0.202	0.000	0.001	0.026	0.000	0.001	0.0000013	
Manure Management - CH4	CH4	4,843	4,132	5%	20%	0.206	0.000	0.000	0.008	0.000	0.001	0.0000003	
Manure Management - N2O	N2O	2,814	2,081	5%	20%	0.206	0.000	0.000	0.004	0.000	0.000	0.0000001	
Field burning of agricultural residues - CH4	CH4	15	15	30%	50%	0.583	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0000000	
Field burning of agricultural residues - N2O	N2O	4	4	30%	50%	0.583	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0000000	
Liming and other carbon containing fertilisers - CO2	CO2	45	33	10%	20%	0.224	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0000000	
Urea application - CO2	CO2	465	396	10%	20%	0.224	0.000	0.000	0.001	0.000	0.000	0.0000000	
Direct N2O Emissions from Managed soils	N2O	8,108	6,476	20%	50%	0.539	0.000	0.000	0.012	0.000	0.004	0.0000125	
Indirect N2O Emissions from Managed soils	N2O	2,003	1,554	20%	50%	0.539	0.000	0.000	0.003	0.000	0.001	0.0000007	
Indirect N2O Emissions from Manure Management	N2O	3	1	5%	50%	0.502	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0000000	
Rice cultivations - CH4	CH4	1,876	1,583	5%	10%	0.112	0.000	0.000	0.003	0.000	0.000	0.0000000	
Solid waste disposal - CH4	CH4	12,206	13,659	10%	20%	0.224	0.000	0.007	0.026	0.001	0.004	0.0000160	
Biological treatment of Solid waste - CH4	CH4	5	114	20%	100%	1.020	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0000000	
Biological treatment of Solid waste - N2O	N2O	20	494	20%	100%	1.020	0.000	0.001	0.001	0.001	0.000	0.0000009	
Incineration and open burning of waste - CO2	CO2	512	55	10%	20%	0.224	0.000	0.001	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0000000	
Incineration and open burning of waste - CH4	CH4	50	54	10%	20%	0.224	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0000000	
Incineration and open burning of waste - N2O	N2O	37	19	10%	20%	0.224	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.0000000	
Wastewater treatment and discharge - CH4	CH4	3,209	2,447	20%	100%	1.020	0.000	0.000	0.005	0.000	0.001	0.0000019	
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>518,797</b>	<b>418,281</b>				<b>0.001</b>					<b>0.001</b>	
							Percentage uncertainty in total inventory	<b>2.9%</b>				Trend uncertainty	<b>2.3%</b>

**Table A1.8 Results of the uncertainty analysis including LULUCF (Approach 1). Year 2019**

IPCC category	Gas	Emissions		Uncertainty			Contribution to variance	Sensitivity		Uncertainty in trend		in total national emissions
		Base year	2019	AD	EF	Combined		Type A	Type B	introduced by EF uncertainty	introduced by AD uncertainty	
Energy industries - CO2 liquid fuels	CO2	81,197	15,678	3%	3%	0.042	0.000	0.085	0.030	0.003	0.001	0.000
Energy industries - CO2 solid fuels	CO2	38,647	21,699	3%	3%	0.042	0.000	0.013	0.042	0.000	0.002	0.000
Energy industries - CO2 gaseous fuels	CO2	16,954	53,771	3%	3%	0.042	0.000	0.080	0.104	0.002	0.004	0.000
Energy industries - CO2 other fuels	CO2	143	164	3%	3%	0.042	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Energy industries - N2O liquid fuels	N2O	288	129	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Energy industries - N2O solid fuels	N2O	163	93	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Energy industries - N2O gaseous fuels	N2O	9	32	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Energy industries - N2O other fuels	N2O	1	1	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Energy industries - N2O biomass	N2O	16	106	20%	50%	0.539	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Energy industries - CH4 liquid fuels	CH4	74	9	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Energy industries - CH4 solid fuels	CH4	132	15	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Energy industries - CH4 gaseous fuels	CH4	11	34	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Energy industries - CH4 other fuels	CH4	0	0	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Energy industries - CH4 biomass	CH4	10	64	20%	50%	0.539	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Manufacturing industries and construction - CO2 liquid fuels	CO2	32,805	9,084	3%	3%	0.042	0.000	0.029	0.018	0.001	0.001	0.000
Manufacturing industries and construction - CO2 solid fuels	CO2	25,732	7,096	3%	3%	0.042	0.000	0.023	0.014	0.001	0.001	0.000
Manufacturing industries and construction - CO2 gaseous fuels	CO2	32,234	32,109	3%	3%	0.042	0.000	0.017	0.062	0.000	0.003	0.000
Manufacturing industries and construction - CO2 other fuels	CO2	0	550	3%	3%	0.042	0.000	0.001	0.001	0.000	0.000	0.000
Manufacturing industries and construction - N2O liquid fuels	N2O	926	397	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.001	0.001	0.000	0.000	0.000
Manufacturing industries and construction - N2O solid fuels	N2O	243	67	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Manufacturing industries and construction - N2O gaseous fuels	N2O	164	177	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Manufacturing industries and construction - N2O other fuels	N2O	0	30	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Manufacturing industries and construction - N2O biomass	N2O	6	76	20%	50%	0.539	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Manufacturing industries and construction - CH4 liquid fuels	CH4	42	15	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Manufacturing industries and construction - CH4 solid fuels	CH4	107	47	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Manufacturing industries and construction - CH4 gaseous fuels	CH4	14	14	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Manufacturing industries and construction - CH4 other fuels	CH4	0	1	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Manufacturing industries and construction - CH4 biomass	CH4	4	210	20%	50%	0.539	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Transport - CO2 Road transportation	CO2	92,332	96,606	3%	3%	0.042	0.000	0.056	0.187	0.002	0.008	0.000
Transport - N2O Road transportation	N2O	862	947	3%	40%	0.401	0.000	0.001	0.002	0.000	0.000	0.000

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		Base year	2019	AD	EF	Combined		Type A	Type B	introduced by EF uncertainty	introduced by AD uncertainty	in total national emissions
Transport - CH4 Road transportation	CH4	867	186	3%	40%	0.401	0.000	0.001	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Transport - CO2 Waterborne navigation	CO2	5,470	4,484	3%	3%	0.042	0.000	0.001	0.009	0.000	0.000	0.000
Transport - N2O Waterborne navigation	N2O	38	33	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Transport - CH4 Waterborne navigation	CH4	35	17	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Transport - CO2 Civil Aviation	CO2	1,493	2,379	3%	3%	0.042	0.000	0.002	0.005	0.000	0.000	0.000
Transport - N2O Civil Aviation	N2O	12	20	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Transport - CH4 Civil Aviation	CH4	1	1	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Transport - CO2 Railways	CO2	613	135	3%	5%	0.058	0.000	0.001	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Transport - N2O Railways	N2O	72	16	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Transport - CH4 Railways	CH4	1	0	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Transport - CO2 Other transportation - pipelines	CO2	411	678	3%	3%	0.042	0.000	0.001	0.001	0.000	0.000	0.000
Transport - N2O Other transportation - pipelines	N2O	7	10	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Transport - CH4 Other transportation - pipelines	CH4	0	1	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Other sectors - CO2 commercial, residential, agriculture liquid fuels	CO2	38,274	14,338	3%	3%	0.042	0.000	0.026	0.028	0.001	0.001	0.000
Other sectors - CO2 commercial, residential, agriculture solid fuels	CO2	899	0	3%	3%	0.042	0.000	0.001	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Other sectors - CO2 commercial, residential, agriculture gaseous fuels	CO2	36,338	56,360	3%	3%	0.042	0.000	0.058	0.109	0.002	0.005	0.000
Other sectors - CO2 commercial, residential, agriculture other fossil fuels	CO2	530	6,004	3%	3%	0.042	0.000	0.011	0.012	0.000	0.000	0.000
Other sectors - N2O commercial, residential, agriculture liquid fuels	N2O	996	805	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.000	0.002	0.000	0.000	0.000
Other sectors - N2O commercial, residential, agriculture solid fuels	N2O	4	0	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Other sectors - N2O commercial, residential, agriculture gaseous fuels	N2O	194	291	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.000	0.001	0.000	0.000	0.000
Other sectors - N2O commercial, residential, agriculture other fossil fuels	N2O	15	164	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Other sectors - N2O commercial, residential, agriculture biomass	N2O	531	1,199	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.002	0.002	0.001	0.000	0.000
Other sectors - CH4 commercial, residential, agriculture liquid fuels	CH4	94	19	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Other sectors - CH4 commercial, residential, agriculture solid fuels	CH4	10	0	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Other sectors - CH4 commercial, residential, agriculture gaseous fuels	CH4	41	61	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Other sectors - CH4 commercial, residential, agriculture other fossil fuels	CH4	1	8	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000

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Other non specified - CO2 military mobile - liquid fuels	CO2	1,071	453	3%	5%	0.058	0.000	0.001	0.001	0.000	0.000	0.000
Other non specified - N2O military mobile - liquid fuels	N2O	67	13	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Other non specified - CH4 military mobile - liquid fuels	CH4	4	1	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Fugitive - CO2 Solid fuels	CO2	0	0	3%	10%	0.104	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Fugitive - CH4 Solid fuels	CH4	132	32	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Fugitive - CO2 Oil and natural gas - Oil	CO2	2,402	2,143	3%	10%	0.104	0.000	0.001	0.004	0.000	0.000	0.000
Fugitive - CH4 Oil and natural gas - Oil	CH4	310	244	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Fugitive - N2O Oil and natural gas - Oil	N2O	0	0	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Fugitive - CO2 Oil and natural gas - Natural gas	CO2	9	5	3%	10%	0.104	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Fugitive - CH4 Oil and natural gas - Natural gas	CH4	8,236	3,861	3%	50%	0.501	0.000	0.004	0.007	0.002	0.000	0.000
Fugitive - CO2 Oil and natural gas - venting and flaring	CO2	956	396	50%	10%	0.510	0.000	0.001	0.001	0.000	0.001	0.000
Fugitive - N2O Oil and natural gas - venting and flaring	N2O	1	1	50%	50%	0.707	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Fugitive - CH4 Oil and natural gas - venting and flaring	CH4	178	53	50%	50%	0.707	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Fugitive - CO2 Oil and natural gas - Other - flaring in refineries	CO2	681	213	50%	10%	0.510	0.000	0.001	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Fugitive - N2O Oil and natural gas - Other - flaring in refineries	N2O	11	8	50%	50%	0.707	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Fugitive - CH4 Oil and natural gas - Other - flaring in refineries	CH4	202	550	50%	50%	0.707	0.000	0.001	0.001	0.000	0.001	0.000
Mineral industry- CO2 Cement production	CO2	15,846	7,912	3%	10%	0.104	0.000	0.007	0.015	0.001	0.001	0.000
Mineral industry- CO2 Lime production	CO2	1,877	1,797	3%	10%	0.104	0.000	0.001	0.003	0.000	0.000	0.000
Mineral industry- CO2 Glass production	CO2	453	597	3%	10%	0.104	0.000	0.001	0.001	0.000	0.000	0.000
Mineral industry- CO2 Other processes uses of carbonates	CO2	2,544	627	3%	10%	0.104	0.000	0.002	0.001	0.000	0.000	0.000
Chemical industry- CO2 Ammonia production	CO2	1,892	531	3%	10%	0.104	0.000	0.002	0.001	0.000	0.000	0.000
Chemical industry- N2O Nitric acid production	N2O	2,005	43	3%	10%	0.104	0.000	0.003	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Chemical industry - CO2 Adipic acid production	CO2	1	2	3%	10%	0.104	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Chemical industry- N2O Adipic acid production	N2O	4,402	78	3%	10%	0.104	0.000	0.006	0.000	0.001	0.000	0.000
Chemical industry- Caprolactam, Glyoxal and Glyoxylic Acid production -N2O	N2O	11	0	3%	10%	0.104	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Chemical industry- CO2 Carbide production	CO2	26	4	3%	10%	0.104	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Chemical industry- CO2 Titanium dioxide production	CO2	0	0	3%	10%	0.104	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Chemical industry- CO2 Soda ash production	CO2	183	301	3%	10%	0.104	0.000	0.000	0.001	0.000	0.000	0.000
Chemical industry - CO2 Petrochemical and carbon black production	CO2	422	477	3%	10%	0.104	0.000	0.000	0.001	0.000	0.000	0.000
Chemical industry - N2O Petrochemical and carbon black production	N2O	61	4	3%	10%	0.104	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Chemical industry- HFCs Fluorochemical production	HFCs	444	1	5%	50%	0.502	0.000	0.001	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000

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Chemical industry- PFCs Fluorochemical production	PFCs	932	870	5%	50%	0.502	0.000	0.000	0.002	0.000	0.000	0.000
Chemical industry- SF6 Fluorochemical production	SF6	114	0	5%	50%	0.502	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Metal industry- CO2 Iron and steel production	CO2	3,124	1,357	3%	10%	0.104	0.000	0.002	0.003	0.000	0.000	0.000
Metal industry- CH4 Iron and steel production	CH4	68	38	3%	10%	0.104	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Metal industry- CO2 Ferroalloys production	CO2	395	0	3%	10%	0.104	0.000	0.001	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Metal industry- CO2 Aluminium production	CO2	359	0	3%	20%	0.202	0.000	0.001	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Metal industry- PFCs Aluminium production	PFCs	1,975	0	3%	20%	0.202	0.000	0.003	0.000	0.001	0.000	0.000
Metal industry- HFCs Magnesium production	HFCs	0	6	3%	20%	0.202	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Metal industry- CO2 Zinc production	CO2	500	245	3%	10%	0.104	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Non-Energy products from Fuels and Solvent Use - CO2	CO2	1,712	1,091	30%	50%	0.583	0.000	0.000	0.002	0.000	0.001	0.000
Electronics Industry - HFCs	HFCs	0	33	5%	20%	0.206	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Electronics Industry - PFCs	PFCs	0	158	5%	20%	0.206	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Electronics Industry - SF6	SF6	0	60	5%	20%	0.206	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Electronics Industry - NF3	NF3	77	18	5%	20%	0.206	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Product uses as substitutes for ozone depleting substances - HFCs Refrigeration and Air conditioning	HFCs	0	14,326	30%	50%	0.583	0.000	0.028	0.028	0.014	0.012	0.000
Product uses as substitutes for ozone depleting substances - HFCs Foam blowing agents	HFCs	0	587	30%	50%	0.583	0.000	0.001	0.001	0.001	0.000	0.000
Product uses as substitutes for ozone depleting substances - HFCs Fire protection	HFCs	0	1,609	30%	50%	0.583	0.000	0.003	0.003	0.002	0.001	0.000
Product uses as substitutes for ozone depleting substances - HFCs Aerosols	HFCs	0	262	30%	50%	0.583	0.000	0.001	0.001	0.000	0.000	0.000
Other Product Manufacture and Use - SF6	SF6	294	384	5%	20%	0.206	0.000	0.000	0.001	0.000	0.000	0.000
Other Product Manufacture and Use - N2O	N2O	781	520	5%	10%	0.112	0.000	0.000	0.001	0.000	0.000	0.000
Enteric Fermentation- CH4	CH4	15,497	13,241	3%	20%	0.202	0.000	0.004	0.026	0.001	0.001	0.000
Manure Management - CH4	CH4	4,843	4,132	5%	20%	0.206	0.000	0.001	0.008	0.000	0.001	0.000
Manure Management - N2O	N2O	2,814	2,081	5%	20%	0.206	0.000	0.000	0.004	0.000	0.000	0.000
Field burning of agricultural residues - CH4	CH4	15	15	30%	50%	0.583	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Field burning of agricultural residues - N2O	N2O	4	4	30%	50%	0.583	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Liming - CO2	CO2	45	33	10%	20%	0.224	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Urea application - CO2	CO2	465	396	10%	20%	0.224	0.000	0.000	0.001	0.000	0.000	0.000
Direct N2O Emissions from Managed soils	N2O	8,108	6,476	20%	50%	0.539	0.000	0.001	0.013	0.001	0.004	0.000
Indirect N2O Emissions from Managed soils	N2O	2,003	1,554	20%	50%	0.539	0.000	0.000	0.003	0.000	0.001	0.000
Indirect N2O Emissions from Manure Management	N2O	3	1	5%	50%	0.502	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Rice cultivations - CH4	CH4	1,876	1,583	5%	10%	0.112	0.000	0.000	0.003	0.000	0.000	0.000
Solid waste disposal - CH4	CH4	12,206	13,659	10%	20%	0.224	0.000	0.009	0.027	0.002	0.004	0.000
Biological treatment of Solid waste - CH4	CH4	5	114	20%	100%	1.020	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000



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Emission sources of the Italian inventory are disaggregated into a detailed level, 127 sources, according to the IPCC list in the guidelines and taking into account national circumstances and importance. Considering also the LULUCF sector, sources and sinks of the Italian inventory are disaggregated into 147 categories. Uncertainties are therefore estimated for these categories. To estimate uncertainty for both activity data and emission factors, information provided in the IPCC Guidelines, as well as expert judgement have been used; standard deviations have also been considered whenever measurements were available.

The assumptions on which uncertainty estimations are based on are documented for each category. Figures to draw up uncertainty are checked with the relevant analyst experts and literature references and they are consistent with the IPCC Good Practice Guidance and the 2006 IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2000; IPCC, 2006). The general approach followed for quantifying a level of uncertainty to activity data and emission factors is to set values within a range low, medium and high according to the confidence the expert relies on the value. For instance, a low value (e.g. 3-5%) has been attributed to activity data derived from the energy balance and statistical yearbooks, medium-high values within a range of 20-50% for all the data which are not directly or only partially derived from census or sample surveys or data which are simple estimations. For emission factors, the uncertainties set are usually higher than those for activity data; figures suggested by the IPCC good practice guidance and guidelines (IPCC, 2000; IPCC, 2006) are used when the emission factor is a default value or when appropriate, low values are attributed to measured data whereas the uncertainty values are high in all other cases.

For the base year, the uncertainty estimated by Approach 1 is equal to 2.1%; if considering the LULUCF sector the overall uncertainty increases to 2.7%.

In 2019, the results of Approach 1 suggest an uncertainty of 2.9% in the combined GWP total emissions. The analysis also estimates an uncertainty of 2.3% in the trend.

Including the LULUCF sector in the total uncertainty assessment, Approach 1 shows an uncertainty of 4.5% in the combined GWP total emissions for the year 2019, whereas the uncertainty in the trend is equal to 3.4%. Results are shown in Table A1.8

Further investigation is needed to better quantify the uncertainty values for some specific source, nevertheless it should be noted that a conservative approach has been followed.

#### **A1.4 Approach 2 key category assessment**

Approach 2 can be used to identify key categories when an uncertainty analysis has been carried out on the inventory. It is helpful in prioritising activities to improve inventory quality and to reduce overall uncertainty. Under Approach 2, the source or sink category uncertainties are incorporated by weighting the Approach 1 level and trend assessment results with the source category's relative uncertainty.

Therefore the following equations:

*Level Assessment, with Uncertainty = Approach 1 Level Assessment · Relative Category Uncertainty*

*Trend Assessment, with Uncertainty = Approach 1 Trend Assessment · Relative Category Uncertainty*

Approach 2 has been applied both to the base and the current year submission. In this section, detailed results are reported for the 2019 inventory, whereas for the base year results of the analysis excluding and including LULUCF categories are reported in Table A1.13 and Table A1.14.

The results of the Approach 2 key category analysis, without LULUCF categories, are provided in Table A1.11, for 2019, while in Table A1.12 results, including LULUCF categories, are shown.

The application of Approach 2 to the base year gives as a result 30 key categories accounting for the 90% of the total levels uncertainty. Including the LULUCF categories, 35 key categories result accounting for 90% of the total uncertainty levels.

For the year 2019, 28 key categories accounting for the 90% of the total levels uncertainty were identified; when applying the trend analysis the key categories increased to 30.

The application of Approach 2 to the inventory, including the LULUCF categories, results in 30 key categories which account for the 90% of the total levels uncertainty; for the trend analysis, with LULUCF, the number of key categories is 33.

**Table A1.9 Results of the key category analysis without LULUCF. Approach 2 Level assessment, year 2019**

CATEGORIES	Share	Uncertainty	L*U	Level assessment with uncertainty	Cumulative Percentage
Product uses as substitutes for ozone depleting substances - HFCs					
Refrigeration and Air conditioning	0.03	0.5831	0.0200	0.1704	0.17
Transport - CO2 Road transportation	0.23	0.0424	0.0098	0.0836	0.25
Direct N2O Emissions from Managed soils	0.02	0.5385	0.0083	0.0711	0.33
Solid waste disposal - CH4	0.03	0.2236	0.0073	0.0623	0.39
Enteric Fermentation- CH4	0.03	0.2022	0.0064	0.0546	0.44
Wastewater treatment and discharge - CH4	0.01	1.0198	0.0060	0.0509	0.49
Other sectors - CO2 commercial, residential, agriculture gaseous fuels	0.13	0.0424	0.0057	0.0488	0.54
Energy industries - CO2 gaseous fuels	0.13	0.0424	0.0055	0.0465	0.59
Fugitive - CH4 Oil and natural gas - Natural gas	0.01	0.5009	0.0046	0.0394	0.63
Wastewater treatment and discharge - N2O	0.00	1.0198	0.0033	0.0279	0.66
Manufacturing industries and construction - CO2 gaseous fuels	0.08	0.0424	0.0033	0.0278	0.68
Other sectors - CH4 commercial, residential, agriculture biomass	0.01	0.5009	0.0027	0.0228	0.71
Product uses as substitutes for ozone depleting substances - HFCs					
Fire protection	0.00	0.5831	0.0022	0.0191	0.73
Energy industries - CO2 solid fuels	0.05	0.0424	0.0022	0.0188	0.74
Manure Management - CH4	0.01	0.2062	0.0020	0.0174	0.76
Indirect N2O Emissions from Managed soils	0.00	0.5385	0.0020	0.0171	0.78
Mineral industry- CO2 Cement production	0.02	0.1044	0.0020	0.0168	0.80
Energy industries - CO2 liquid fuels	0.04	0.0424	0.0016	0.0136	0.81
Non-Energy products from Fuels and Solvent Use - CO2	0.00	0.5831	0.0015	0.0130	0.82
Other sectors - CO2 commercial, residential, agriculture liquid fuels	0.03	0.0424	0.0015	0.0124	0.83
Other sectors - N2O commercial, residential, agriculture biomass	0.00	0.5009	0.0014	0.0123	0.85
Biological treatment of Solid waste - N2O	0.00	1.0198	0.0012	0.0103	0.86
Chemical industry- PFCs Fluorochemical production	0.00	0.5025	0.0010	0.0089	0.87
Manure Management - N2O	0.00	0.2062	0.0010	0.0088	0.87
Other sectors - N2O commercial, residential, agriculture liquid fuels	0.00	0.5009	0.0010	0.0082	0.88
Fugitive - CH4 Oil and natural gas - Other - flaring in refineries	0.00	0.7071	0.0009	0.0079	0.8907
Manufacturing industries and construction - CO2 liquid fuels	0.02	0.0424	0.0009	0.0079	0.8985
Transport - N2O Road transportation	0.00	0.4011	0.0009	0.0078	0.906
Product uses as substitutes for ozone depleting substances - HFCs					
Foam blowing agents	0.00	0.5831	0.0008	0.0070	0.91
Manufacturing industries and construction - CO2 solid fuels	0.02	0.0424	0.0007	0.0061	0.92
Other sectors - CO2 commercial, residential, agriculture other fossil fuels	0.01	0.0424	0.0006	0.0052	0.92
Fugitive - CO2 Oil and natural gas - Oil	0.01	0.1044	0.0005	0.0046	0.93
Fugitive - CO2 Oil and natural gas - venting and flaring	0.00	0.5099	0.0005	0.0041	0.93
Manufacturing industries and construction - N2O liquid fuels	0.00	0.5009	0.0005	0.0041	0.94
Transport - CO2 Waterborne navigation	0.01	0.0424	0.0005	0.0039	0.94
Mineral industry- CO2 Lime production	0.00	0.1044	0.0004	0.0038	0.95
Product uses as substitutes for ozone depleting substances - HFCs					
Refrigeration and Air conditioning	0.03	0.5831	0.0200	0.1704	0.17
Transport - CO2 Road transportation	0.23	0.0424	0.0098	0.0836	0.25
Direct N2O Emissions from Managed soils	0.02	0.5385	0.0083	0.0711	0.33

**Table A1.10 Results of the key category analysis without LULUCF. Approach 2 Trend assessment, base year- 2019**

<b>CATEGORIES</b>	<b>Trend assessment with uncertainty</b>	<b>Uncertainty</b>	<b>T*U</b>	<b>Relative trend assessment with uncertainty</b>	<b>Cumulative Percentage</b>
Product uses as substitutes for ozone depleting substances - HFCs Refrigeration and Air conditioning	0.03	0.5831	0.0161	0.297	0.30
Energy industries - CO2 liquid fuels	0.10	0.0424	0.0041	0.075	0.37
Energy industries - CO2 gaseous fuels	0.08	0.0424	0.0033	0.061	0.43
Fugitive - CH4 Oil and natural gas - Natural gas	0.01	0.5009	0.0027	0.050	0.48
Other sectors - CO2 commercial, residential, agriculture gaseous fuels	0.05	0.0424	0.0022	0.041	0.52
Transport - CO2 Road transportation	0.04	0.0424	0.0018	0.033	0.56
Product uses as substitutes for ozone depleting substances - HFCs Fire protection	0.00	0.5831	0.0018	0.033	0.59
Solid waste disposal - CH4	0.01	0.2236	0.0016	0.030	0.62
Manufacturing industries and construction - CO2 liquid fuels	0.03	0.0424	0.0014	0.026	0.65
Other sectors - CH4 commercial, residential, agriculture biomass	0.00	0.5009	0.0014	0.026	0.67
Other sectors - CO2 commercial, residential, agriculture liquid fuels	0.03	0.0424	0.0014	0.025	0.70
Manufacturing industries and construction - CO2 solid fuels	0.03	0.0424	0.0011	0.021	0.72
Mineral industry- CO2 Cement production	0.01	0.1044	0.0010	0.018	0.74
Biological treatment of Solid waste - N2O	0.00	1.0198	0.0009	0.017	0.75
Energy industries - CO2 solid fuels	0.02	0.0424	0.0008	0.014	0.77
Other sectors - N2O commercial, residential, agriculture biomass	0.00	0.5009	0.0007	0.014	0.78
Chemical industry- N2O Adipic acid production	0.01	0.1044	0.0007	0.013	0.79
Product uses as substitutes for ozone depleting substances - HFCs Foam blowing agents	0.00	0.5831	0.0007	0.012	0.81
Wastewater treatment and discharge - N2O	0.00	1.0198	0.0006	0.012	0.82
Metal industry- PFCs Aluminium production	0.00	0.2022	0.0006	0.011	0.83
Fugitive - CH4 Oil and natural gas - Other - flaring in refineries	0.00	0.7071	0.0005	0.010	0.84
Manufacturing industries and construction - CO2 gaseous fuels	0.01	0.0424	0.0005	0.009	0.85
Other sectors - CO2 commercial, residential, agriculture other fossil fuels	0.01	0.0424	0.0005	0.008	0.86
Transport - CH4 Road transportation	0.00	0.4011	0.0004	0.007	0.86
Fugitive - CO2 Oil and natural gas - venting and flaring	0.00	0.5099	0.0004	0.007	0.87
Chemical industry- HFCs Fluorochemical production	0.00	0.5025	0.0003	0.006	0.88
Manufacturing industries and construction - N2O liquid fuels	0.00	0.5009	0.0003	0.006	0.88
Fugitive - CO2 Oil and natural gas - Other - flaring in refineries	0.00	0.5099	0.0003	0.006	0.89
Non-Energy products from Fuels and Solvent Use - CO2	0.00	0.5831	0.0003	0.006	0.895
Chemical industry- N2O Nitric acid production	0.00	0.1044	0.0003	0.006	0.901
Product uses as substitutes for ozone depleting substances - HFCs Aerosols	0.00	0.5831	0.0003	0.005	0.907
Enteric Fermentation- CH4	0.00	0.2022	0.0003	0.005	0.91
Mineral industry- CO2 Other processes uses of carbonates	0.00	0.1044	0.0003	0.005	0.92
Wastewater treatment and discharge - CH4	0.00	1.0198	0.0003	0.005	0.92
Metal industry- CO2 Iron and steel production	0.00	0.1044	0.0002	0.004	0.93
Biological treatment of Solid waste - CH4	0.00	1.0198	0.0002	0.004	0.93
Manufacturing industries and construction - CH4 biomass	0.00	0.5385	0.0002	0.004	0.93
Chemical industry- CO2 Ammonia production	0.00	0.1044	0.0002	0.004	0.94
Transport - N2O Road transportation	0.00	0.4011	0.0002	0.004	0.94

**Table A1.11 Results of the key category analysis with LULUCF. Approach 2 Level assessment, year 2019**

CATEGORIES	Share	Uncertainty	L*U	Level assessment with uncertainty	Cumulative Percentage
Product uses as substitutes for ozone depleting substances - HFCs					
Refrigeration and Air conditioning	0.03	0.5831	0.0176	0.1145	0.11
Forest Land remaining Forest Land - CO2	0.07	0.2476	0.0163	0.1057	0.22
Land Converted to Forest Land - CO2	0.01	1.0607	0.0137	0.0887	0.31
Land Converted to Settlements - CO2	0.01	1.0607	0.0116	0.0755	0.38
Transport - CO2 Road transportation	0.20	0.0424	0.0086	0.0562	0.44
Direct N2O Emissions from Managed soils	0.01	0.5385	0.0074	0.0478	0.49
Solid waste disposal - CH4	0.03	0.2236	0.0064	0.0419	0.53
Enteric Fermentation- CH4	0.03	0.2022	0.0057	0.0367	0.57
Wastewater treatment and discharge - CH4	0.01	1.0198	0.0053	0.0342	0.60
Other sectors - CO2 commercial, residential, agriculture gaseous fuels	0.12	0.0424	0.0050	0.0328	0.63
Energy industries - CO2 gaseous fuels	0.11	0.0424	0.0048	0.0313	0.67
Fugitive - CH4 Oil and natural gas - Natural gas	0.01	0.5009	0.0041	0.0265	0.69
Land Converted to Grassland - CO2	0.01	0.2547	0.0033	0.0214	0.71
Wastewater treatment and discharge - N2O	0.00	1.0198	0.0029	0.0187	0.73
Manufacturing industries and construction - CO2 gaseous fuels	0.07	0.0424	0.0029	0.0187	0.75
Other sectors - CH4 commercial, residential, agriculture biomass	0.00	0.5009	0.0024	0.0153	0.77
Harvest Wood Products - CO2	0.00	0.5590	0.0021	0.0138	0.78
Product uses as substitutes for ozone depleting substances - HFCs					
Fire protection	0.00	0.5831	0.0020	0.0129	0.79
Energy industries - CO2 solid fuels	0.05	0.0424	0.0019	0.0126	0.81
Manure Management - CH4	0.01	0.2062	0.0018	0.0117	0.82
Indirect N2O Emissions from Managed soils	0.00	0.5385	0.0018	0.0115	0.83
Mineral industry- CO2 Cement production	0.02	0.1044	0.0017	0.0113	0.84
Energy industries - CO2 liquid fuels	0.03	0.0424	0.0014	0.0091	0.85
Non-Energy products from Fuels and Solvent Use - CO2	0.00	0.5831	0.0013	0.0087	0.86
Other sectors - CO2 commercial, residential, agriculture liquid fuels	0.03	0.0424	0.0013	0.0083	0.87
Other sectors - N2O commercial, residential, agriculture biomass	0.00	0.5009	0.0013	0.0082	0.87
Grassland Remaining Grassland - CO2	0.00	0.2547	0.0011	0.0074	0.88
Biological treatment of Solid waste - N2O	0.00	1.0198	0.0011	0.0069	0.8882
Chemical industry- PFCs Fluorochemical production	0.00	0.5025	0.0009	0.0060	0.8942
Manure Management - N2O	0.00	0.2062	0.0009	0.0059	0.9001
Other sectors - N2O commercial, residential, agriculture liquid fuels	0.00	0.5009	0.0009	0.0055	0.91
Fugitive - CH4 Oil and natural gas - Other - flaring in refineries	0.00	0.7071	0.0008	0.0053	0.91
Manufacturing industries and construction - CO2 liquid fuels	0.02	0.0424	0.0008	0.0053	0.92
Land Converted to Settlements - N2O	0.00	1.0607	0.0008	0.0053	0.92
Transport - N2O Road transportation	0.00	0.4011	0.0008	0.0052	0.93
Product uses as substitutes for ozone depleting substances - HFCs					
Foam blowing agents	0.00	0.5831	0.0007	0.0047	0.93
Cropland Remaining Cropland - CO2	0.00	0.2584	0.0007	0.0044	0.94
Manufacturing industries and construction - CO2 solid fuels	0.01	0.0424	0.0006	0.0041	0.94
Land Converted to Cropland - CO2	0.00	0.2584	0.0006	0.0039	0.94
Other sectors - CO2 commercial, residential, agriculture other fossil fuels	0.01	0.0424	0.0005	0.0035	0.95

**Table A1.12 Results of the key category analysis with LULUCF. Approach 2 Trend assessment, base year-2019**

CATEGORIES	Trend assessment	Uncertainty	T*U	Relative trend assessment with uncertainty	Cumulative Percentage
Product uses as substitutes for ozone depleting substances - HFCs Refrigeration and Air conditioning	0.03	0.5831	0.0162	0.23	0.23
Forest Land remaining Forest Land - CO2	0.02	0.2476	0.0054	0.08	0.31
Land Converted to Forest Land - CO2	0.00	1.0607	0.0048	0.07	0.38
Energy industries - CO2 liquid fuels	0.08	0.0424	0.0033	0.05	0.42
Energy industries - CO2 gaseous fuels	0.07	0.0424	0.0032	0.04	0.47
Grassland Remaining Grassland - CO2	0.01	0.2547	0.0028	0.04	0.51
Other sectors - CO2 commercial, residential, agriculture gaseous fuels	0.05	0.0424	0.0023	0.03	0.54
Transport - CO2 Road transportation	0.05	0.0424	0.0022	0.03	0.57
Fugitive - CH4 Oil and natural gas - Natural gas	0.00	0.5009	0.0019	0.03	0.60
Solid waste disposal - CH4	0.01	0.2236	0.0019	0.03	0.63
Product uses as substitutes for ozone depleting substances - HFCs Fire protection	0.00	0.5831	0.0018	0.03	0.65
Land Converted to Grassland - CO2	0.01	0.2547	0.0018	0.03	0.68
Other sectors - CH4 commercial, residential, agriculture biomass	0.00	0.5009	0.0014	0.02	0.70
Harvest Wood Products - CO2	0.00	0.5590	0.0013	0.02	0.72
Manufacturing industries and construction - CO2 liquid fuels	0.03	0.0424	0.0011	0.02	0.73
Other sectors - CO2 commercial, residential, agriculture liquid fuels	0.02	0.0424	0.0010	0.01	0.75
Manufacturing industries and construction - CO2 solid fuels	0.02	0.0424	0.0009	0.01	0.76
Biological treatment of Solid waste - N2O	0.00	1.0198	0.0009	0.01	0.77
Cropland Remaining Cropland - CO2	0.00	0.2584	0.0008	0.01	0.78
Wastewater treatment and discharge - N2O	0.00	1.0198	0.0008	0.01	0.79
Other sectors - N2O commercial, residential, agriculture biomass	0.00	0.5009	0.0007	0.01	0.81
Enteric Fermentation- CH4	0.00	0.2022	0.0007	0.01	0.82
Mineral industry- CO2 Cement production	0.01	0.1044	0.0007	0.01	0.83
Product uses as substitutes for ozone depleting substances - HFCs Foam blowing agents	0.00	0.5831	0.0007	0.01	0.83
Manufacturing industries and construction - CO2 gaseous fuels	0.02	0.0424	0.0007	0.01	0.84
Land Converted to Settlements - CO2	0.00	1.0607	0.0007	0.01	0.85
Chemical industry- N2O Adipic acid production	0.01	0.1044	0.0006	0.01	0.86
Direct N2O Emissions from Managed soils	0.00	0.5385	0.0005	0.01	0.87
Metal industry- PFCs Aluminium production	0.00	0.2022	0.0005	0.01	0.88
Fugitive - CH4 Oil and natural gas - Other - flaring in refineries	0.00	0.7071	0.0005	0.01	0.88
Energy industries - CO2 solid fuels	0.01	0.0424	0.0005	0.01	0.89
Other sectors - CO2 commercial, residential, agriculture other fossil fuels	0.01	0.0424	0.0004	0.01	0.897
Transport - CH4 Road transportation	0.00	0.4011	0.0003	0.00	0.902
Product uses as substitutes for ozone depleting substances - HFCs Aerosols	0.00	0.5831	0.0003	0.00	0.91
Chemical industry- HFCs Fluorochemical production	0.00	0.5025	0.0003	0.00	0.91
Fugitive - CO2 Oil and natural gas - venting and flaring	0.00	0.5099	0.0003	0.00	0.91
Chemical industry- N2O Nitric acid production	0.00	0.1044	0.0003	0.00	0.92
Fugitive - CO2 Oil and natural gas - Other - flaring in refineries	0.00	0.5099	0.0003	0.00	0.92
Manufacturing industries and construction - N2O liquid fuels	0.00	0.5009	0.0003	0.00	0.93
Mineral industry- CO2 Other processes uses of carbonates	0.00	0.1044	0.0002	0.00	0.93
Transport - N2O Road transportation	0.00	0.4011	0.0002	0.00	0.93
Manure Management - CH4	0.00	0.2062	0.0002	0.00	0.93
Biological treatment of Solid waste - CH4	0.00	1.0198	0.0002	0.00	0.94

**Table A1.13 Results of the key category analysis without LULUCF. Approach 2 Level assessment, base year**

CATEGORIES	Share	Uncertainty	L*U	Level assessment with uncertainty	Cumulative Percentage
Direct N2O Emissions from Managed soils	0.02	0.5385	0.0084	0.0871	0.09
Fugitive - CH4 Oil and natural gas - Natural gas	0.02	0.5009	0.0080	0.0823	0.17
Transport - CO2 Road transportation	0.18	0.0424	0.0076	0.0781	0.25
Energy industries - CO2 liquid fuels	0.16	0.0424	0.0066	0.0687	0.32
Wastewater treatment and discharge - CH4	0.01	1.0198	0.0063	0.0652	0.38
Enteric Fermentation- CH4	0.03	0.2022	0.0060	0.0625	0.44
Solid waste disposal - CH4	0.02	0.2236	0.0053	0.0544	0.50
Mineral industry- CO2 Cement production	0.03	0.1044	0.0032	0.0330	0.53
Energy industries - CO2 solid fuels	0.07	0.0424	0.0032	0.0327	0.56
Other sectors - CO2 commercial, residential, agriculture liquid fuels	0.07	0.0424	0.0031	0.0324	0.60
Other sectors - CO2 commercial, residential, agriculture gaseous fuels	0.07	0.0424	0.0030	0.0307	0.63
Manufacturing industries and construction - CO2 liquid fuels	0.06	0.0424	0.0027	0.0278	0.65
Manufacturing industries and construction - CO2 gaseous fuels	0.06	0.0424	0.0026	0.0273	0.68
Wastewater treatment and discharge - N2O	0.00	1.0198	0.0025	0.0257	0.71
Manufacturing industries and construction - CO2 solid fuels	0.05	0.0424	0.0021	0.0218	0.73
Indirect N2O Emissions from Managed soils	0.00	0.5385	0.0021	0.0215	0.75
Non-Energy products from Fuels and Solvent Use - CO2	0.00	0.5831	0.0019	0.0199	0.77
Manure Management - CH4	0.01	0.2062	0.0019	0.0199	0.79
Energy industries - CO2 gaseous fuels	0.03	0.0424	0.0014	0.0143	0.81
Manure Management - N2O	0.01	0.2062	0.0011	0.0116	0.82
Other sectors - CH4 commercial, residential, agriculture biomass	0.00	0.5009	0.0010	0.0100	0.83
Other sectors - N2O commercial, residential, agriculture liquid fuels	0.00	0.5009	0.0010	0.0099	0.84
Fugitive - CO2 Oil and natural gas - venting and flaring	0.00	0.5099	0.0009	0.0097	0.85
Chemical industry- PFCs Fluorochemical production	0.00	0.5025	0.0009	0.0093	0.86
Manufacturing industries and construction - N2O liquid fuels	0.00	0.5009	0.0009	0.0092	0.87
Chemical industry- N2O Adipic acid production	0.01	0.1044	0.0009	0.0092	0.87
Metal industry- PFCs Aluminium production	0.00	0.2022	0.0008	0.0080	0.88
Transport - CH4 Road transportation	0.00	0.4011	0.0007	0.0069	0.89
Fugitive - CO2 Oil and natural gas - Other - flaring in refineries	0.00	0.5099	0.0007	0.0069	0.896
Transport - N2O Road transportation	0.00	0.4011	0.0007	0.0069	0.903
Metal industry- CO2 Iron and steel production	0.01	0.1044	0.0006	0.0065	0.909
Other sectors - N2O commercial, residential, agriculture biomass	0.00	0.5009	0.0005	0.0053	0.91
Mineral industry- CO2 Other processes uses of carbonates	0.00	0.1044	0.0005	0.0053	0.92
Fugitive - CO2 Oil and natural gas - Oil	0.00	0.1044	0.0005	0.0050	0.93
Transport - CO2 Waterborne navigation	0.01	0.0424	0.0004	0.0046	0.93
Chemical industry- HFCs Fluorochemical production	0.00	0.5025	0.0004	0.0044	0.93
Rice cultivations - CH4	0.00	0.1118	0.0004	0.0042	0.94
Chemical industry- N2O Nitric acid production	0.00	0.1044	0.0004	0.0042	0.94
Chemical industry- CO2 Ammonia production	0.00	0.1044	0.0004	0.0039	0.95
Mineral industry- CO2 Lime production	0.00	0.1044	0.0004	0.0039	0.95
Fugitive - CH4 Oil and natural gas - Oil	0.00	0.5009	0.0003	0.0031	0.95

**Table A1.14 Results of the key category analysis with LULUCF. Approach 2 Level assessment, base year**

CATEGORIES	Share	Uncertainty	L*U	Level assessment with uncertainty	Cumulative Percentage
Land Converted to Settlements - CO2	0.0120	1.0607	0.0127	0.1042	0.10
Direct N2O Emissions from Managed soils	0.0146	0.5385	0.0079	0.0646	0.17
Fugitive - CH4 Oil and natural gas - Natural gas	0.0148	0.5009	0.0074	0.061	0.23
Transport - CO2 Road transportation	0.1663	0.0424	0.0071	0.0580	0.29
Forest Land remaining Forest Land - CO2	0.0270	0.2476	0.0067	0.0550	0.34
Energy industries - CO2 liquid fuels	0.1462	0.0424	0.01	0.0510	0.39
Wastewater treatment and discharge - CH4	0.0058	1.0198	0.01	0.0484	0.44
Enteric Fermentation- CH4	0.0279	0.2022	0.0056	0.0464	0.49
Land Converted to Forest Land - CO2	0.0051	1.0607	0.01	0.0447	0.53
Solid waste disposal - CH4	0.0220	0.2236	0.0049	0.0404	0.57
Mineral industry- CO2 Cement production	0.0285	0.1044	0.00	0.0245	0.60
Energy industries - CO2 solid fuels	0.0696	0.0424	0.0030	0.0243	0.62
Other sectors - CO2 commercial, residential, agriculture liquid fuels	0.0689	0.0424	0.0029	0.024	0.65
Other sectors - CO2 commercial, residential, agriculture gaseous fuels	0.0654	0.0424	0.00	0.0228	0.67
Manufacturing industries and construction - CO2 liquid fuels	0.0591	0.0424	0.0025	0.0206	0.69
Manufacturing industries and construction - CO2 gaseous fuels	0.0580	0.0424	0.0025	0.0202	0.71
Grassland Remaining Grassland - CO2	0.0096	0.2547	0.0025	0.0202	0.73
Wastewater treatment and discharge - N2O	0.0023	1.0198	0.0023	0.0191	0.75
Manufacturing industries and construction - CO2 solid fuels	0.0463	0.0424	0.00	0.0162	0.77
Indirect N2O Emissions from Managed soils	0.0036	0.5385	0.00	0.0160	0.78
Non-Energy products from Fuels and Solvent Use - CO2	0.0031	0.5831	0.0018	0.0148	0.80
Manure Management - CH4	0.0087	0.2062	0.0018	0.0148	0.811
Energy industries - CO2 gaseous fuels	0.0305	0.0424	0.0013	0.0106	0.82
Manure Management - N2O	0.0051	0.2062	0.0010	0.009	0.83
Land Converted to Settlements - N2O	0.0009	1.0607	0.0010	0.0079	0.84
Other sectors - CH4 commercial, residential, agriculture biomass	0.0018	0.5009	0.0009	0.0074	0.85
Other sectors - N2O commercial, residential, agriculture liquid fuels	0.0018	0.5009	0.0009	0.0074	0.85
Fugitive - CO2 Oil and natural gas - venting and flaring	0.0017	0.5099	0.0009	0.0072	0.86
Chemical industry- PFCs Fluorochemical production	0.0017	0.5025	0.0008	0.007	0.87
Manufacturing industries and construction - N2O liquid fuels	0.0017	0.5009	0.0008	0.007	0.87
Chemical industry- N2O Adipic acid production	0.0079	0.1044	0.0008	0.0068	0.88
Land Converted to Grassland - CO2	0.0032	0.2547	0.0008	0.0066	0.89
Metal industry- PFCs Aluminium production	0.0036	0.2022	0.0007	0.006	0.89
Land Converted to Cropland - CO2	0.0027	0.2584	0.0007	0.006	0.899
Transport - CH4 Road transportation	0.0016	0.4011	0.0006	0.0051	0.904
Fugitive - CO2 Oil and natural gas - Other - flaring in refineries	0.0012	0.5099	0.0006	0.005	0.91
Transport - N2O Road transportation	0.0016	0.4011	0.0006	0.0051	0.91
Metal industry- CO2 Iron and steel production	0.0056	0.1044	0.0006	0.0048	0.92
Other sectors - N2O commercial, residential, agriculture biomass	0.0010	0.5009	0.0005	0.0039	0.92
Mineral industry- CO2 Other processes uses of carbonates	0.0046	0.1044	0.0005	0.0039	0.93
Fugitive - CO2 Oil and natural gas - Oil	0.0043	0.1044	0.0005	0.004	0.93

### A1.5 Uncertainty assessment (IPCC Approach 2)

Montecarlo analysis was applied in the last submissions to estimate uncertainty of some of the key categories of the Italian inventory. The description of the key categories to which the analysis was applied and the reference year are reported in Table A1.15. Most of the results prove that both approaches (Approach 1 and 2) produce comparable results.

In Table A.1.15 the outcomes of the Approach 1 (error propagation) and Approach 2 (Montecarlo analysis) are shown.

**Table A1.15 Comparison between uncertainty assessment by Approach 1 and Approach 2**

<i>Sector</i>	<i>Categories</i>	<i>Key</i>	<b>Approach 1</b> %	<b>Approach 2</b> (Montecarlo) %
Energy	CO <sub>2</sub> stationary combustion liquid fuels	L, T	4.2	3.3
Energy	CO <sub>2</sub> stationary combustion solid fuels	L, T1	4.2	5.1
Energy	CO <sub>2</sub> stationary combustion gaseous fuels	L, T	4.2	5.8
Energy	CO <sub>2</sub> Mobile combustion: Road Vehicles	L, T	4.2	7.4
Energy	CH <sub>4</sub> Mobile combustion: Road Vehicles	-	40.1	77.8
Energy	N <sub>2</sub> O Mobile combustion: Road Vehicles	-	50.1	19.4
Energy	CH <sub>4</sub> Fugitive emissions from Oil and Gas Operations	L1, T1	25.2	17.4
Industrial Processes	CO <sub>2</sub> Cement production	L1	10.4	10.0
Agriculture	CH <sub>4</sub> Enteric Fermentation in Domestic Livestock	L	28.3	-21.8; +31.7
Agriculture*	Direct N <sub>2</sub> O Agriculture soils	L, T	101.9	21.34
Agriculture*	Indirect N <sub>2</sub> O from Nitrogen used in agriculture	L, T	101.9	21.67
Agriculture*	N <sub>2</sub> O Manure management	L	101.9	10.19
Agriculture*	CH <sub>4</sub> Manure management	L, T2	101.9	22.96
Waste	CH <sub>4</sub> from Solid waste Disposal Sites	L, T1	36.1	12.6
LULUCF	CO <sub>2</sub> Forest land remaining Forest land	L, T	49.0	42.9
LULUCF	CO <sub>2</sub> Land converted to Forest land	-	106.1	-147.6; 192.3
LULUCF	CO <sub>2</sub> Cropland remaining Cropland	L, T	106.1	-108.5; 210.2
LULUCF	CO <sub>2</sub> Land converted to Cropland	T2	106.1	-408.2; 178.5
LULUCF	CO <sub>2</sub> Grassland remaining Grassland	L, T	106.1	-67.7; 75.0
LULUCF	CO <sub>2</sub> Land converted to Grassland	L, T	106.1	-119.3; 194.5
LULUCF	CO <sub>2</sub> Land converted to Settlements	L, T	106.1	-100.3; 49.2

\* These categories have been processes in the 2012 submission. The other categories have been assessed in the 2011 submission. The results of the key category analysis is therefore to be attributed to the respective annual submission

A summary of the results is described in the following by category.

Additional information on the choice of underlying distributions of each AD, parameter and EF related to an emission estimate, and relevant statistical parameters describing each distribution are documented in an internal report.

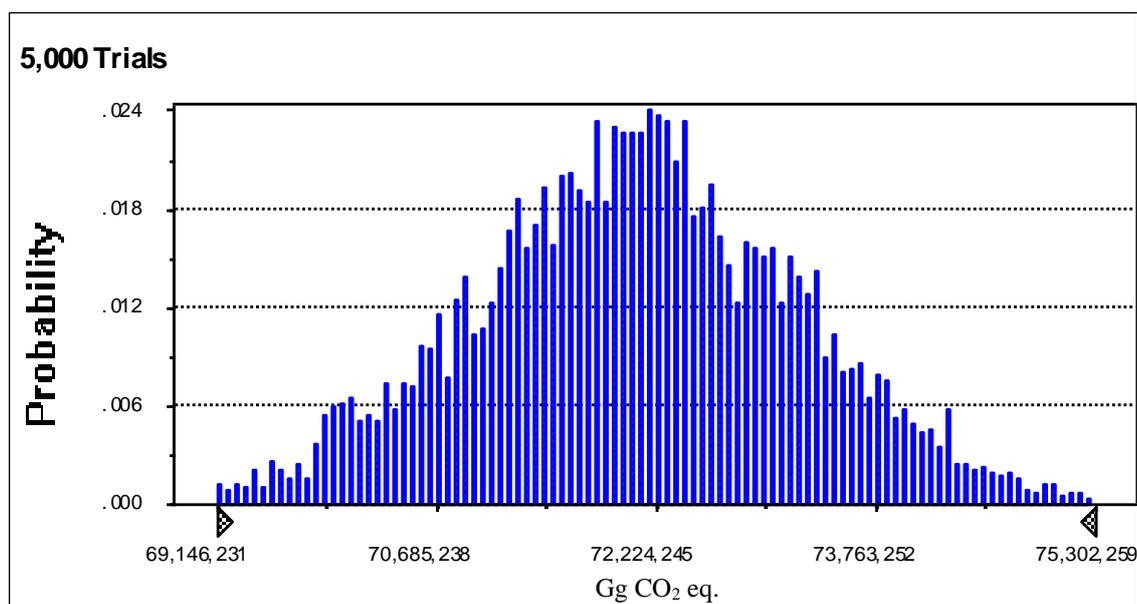
#### ***Energy: CO<sub>2</sub> from stationary combustion liquid fuels***

Montecarlo analysis has been carried out for CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from stationary combustion of liquid fuels, for the reporting year 2009. In Table A1.16 a description of the main statistics resulting from the Montecarlo analysis is shown.

**Table A1.16 Statistics of the Montecarlo analysis for CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from stationary combustion of liquid fuels, year 2009**

	<u>Value</u>
Trials	5000
Mean	72,096,300
Median	72,096,998
Standard Deviation	1,181,053
Range Minimum	68,046,555
Range Maximum	77,401,681
<b>Uncertainty (%)</b>	<b>3.28</b>

The probability density function resulting from the Montecarlo assessment is shown in Figure A1.1.



**Figure A1.1 Probability density function resulting from Montecarlo analysis for CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from stationary combustion of liquid fuels, year 2009**

**Energy: CO<sub>2</sub> from stationary combustion solid fuels**

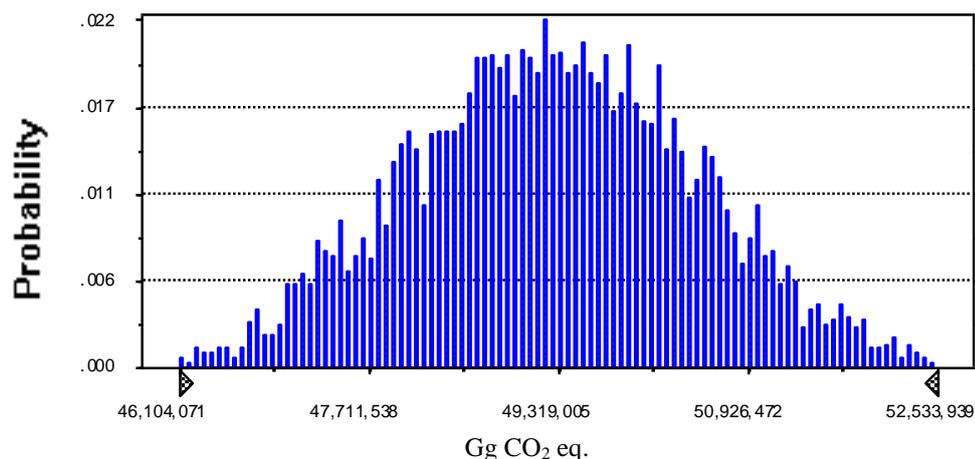
Montecarlo analysis has been carried out for the CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from stationary combustion of solid fuels, for the reporting year 2009. In Table A1.17 a description of the main statistics resulting from the Montecarlo analysis is shown.

**Table A1.17 Statistics of the Montecarlo analysis for CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from stationary combustion of solid fuels, year 2009**

	<u>Value</u>
Trials	5000
Mean	49,289,917
Median	49,285,332
Standard Deviation	1,253,323
Range Minimum	44,384,889
Range Maximum	53,681,603
<b>Uncertainty (%)</b>	<b>5.08</b>

The probability density function resulting from the Montecarlo assessment is shown in Figure A1.2.

5,000 Trials



**Figure A1.2 Probability density function resulting from Montecarlo analysis for CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from stationary combustion of solid fuels, year 2009**

**Energy: CO<sub>2</sub> from stationary combustion gaseous fuels**

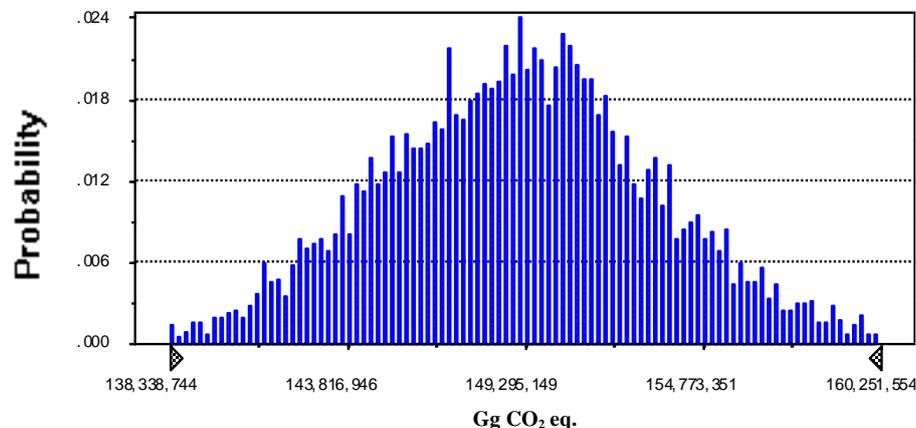
Montecarlo analysis has been carried out for the CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from stationary combustion of gaseous fuels, for the reporting year 2009. In Table A1.18 a description of the main statistics resulting from the Montecarlo analysis is shown.

**Table A1.18 Statistics of the Montecarlo analysis for CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from stationary combustion of gaseous fuels, year 2009**

	<u>Value</u>
Trials	5000
Mean	149,122,449
Median	149,184,196
Standard Deviation	4,355,657
Range Minimum	133,814,642
Range Maximum	165,672,245
<b>Uncertainty (%)</b>	<b>5.84</b>

The probability density function resulting from the Montecarlo assessment is shown in Figure A1.3.

5,000 Trials



**Figure A1.3 Probability density function resulting from Montecarlo analysis for CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from stationary combustion of gaseous fuels, year 2009**

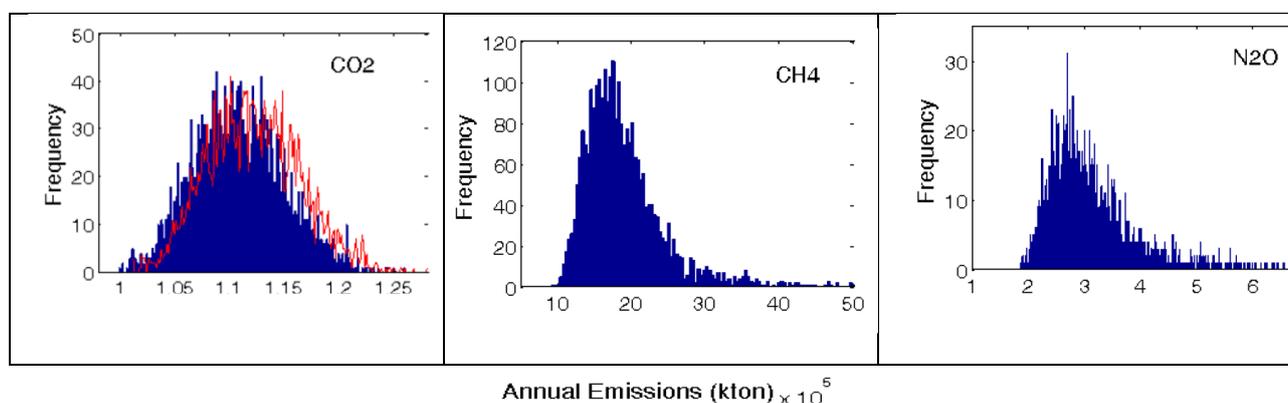
### Energy: CO<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O Mobile combustion: Road Vehicles

Uncertainty of road transport emissions, at national level, has been assessed in the framework of study<sup>74</sup> “Uncertainty estimates and guidance for road transport emission calculations” performed by EMISIA<sup>75</sup> on behalf of the Joint Research Centre. The uncertainty has been assessed on the basis of 2005 input parameters of the COPERT 4 model (v. 7.0). In Table A1.19 a description of the statistics resulting for Mobile combustion: Road Vehicles is shown.

**Table A1.19 Statistics of the Montecarlo analysis for GHG emissions from Mobile combustion: Road Vehicles, year 2005**

	CO <sub>2</sub>	CH <sub>4</sub>	N <sub>2</sub> O
Mean	110,735	19	614
Median	110,622	18	608
Standard Deviation	4,079	7	59
Variation (%)	4	34	10
<b>Uncertainty (%)</b>	<b>7.37</b>	<b>77.78</b>	<b>19.41</b>

The probability density functions, for CO<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from mobile combustion, resulting from the Montecarlo assessment is shown in Figure A1.4.



**Figure A1.4 Probability density function resulting from Montecarlo analysis for CO<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from Mobile combustion: Road Vehicles, year 2005 (Kouridis et al., 2010)**

### Industrial Processes: CO<sub>2</sub> from Cement production

Montecarlo analysis has been carried out for the CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from cement production, for the reporting year 2009. In Table A1.20 a description of the statistics resulting from the Montecarlo analysis is shown.

**Table A1.20 Statistics of the Montecarlo analysis for CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from cement production, year 2009**

	<u>Value</u>
Trials	5000
Mean	13,447,765
Median	13,452,009
Standard Deviation	670,995
Range Minimum	11,167,723
Range Maximum	16,119,133
<b>Uncertainty (%)</b>	<b>9.98</b>

The probability density function resulting from the Montecarlo assessment is shown in Figure A1.5.

<sup>74</sup> Kouridis C., Gkatzoflias D., Kioutsoukias I., Ntziachristos L., Pastorello P., Dilara P., 2010 .Uncertainty Estimates and Guidance for Road Transport Emission Calculations, Joint Research Centre 2010; URL: <http://www.emisia.com/docs/COPERT%20uncertainty.pdf>

<sup>75</sup> EMISIA: [www.emisia.com](http://www.emisia.com)

5,000 Trials

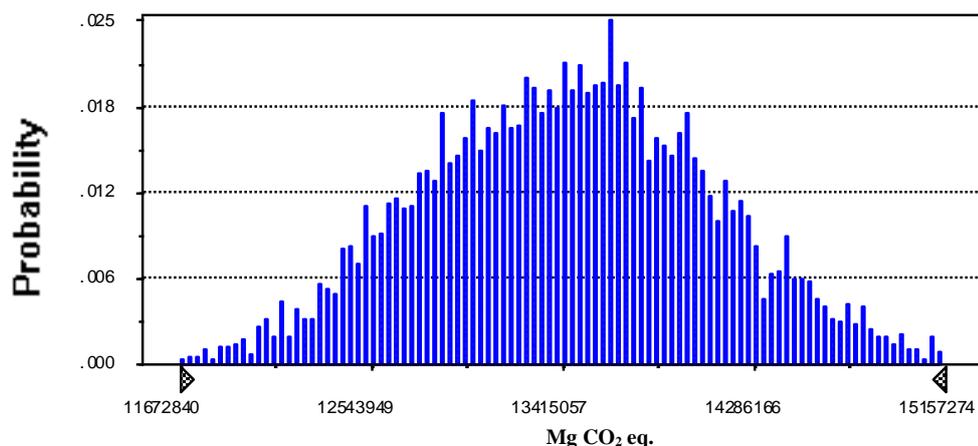


Figure A1.5 Probability density function resulting from Montecarlo analysis for CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from cement production, year 2009

*Energy: CH<sub>4</sub> Fugitive emissions from Oil and Gas Operations*

Montecarlo analysis has been carried out for CH<sub>4</sub> fugitive emissions from oil and gas operations, for the reporting year 2009. In Table A1.21 a description of the statistics resulting from the Montecarlo analysis is shown.

Table A1.21 Statistics of the Montecarlo analysis for CH<sub>4</sub> from fugitive emissions, year 2009

	Value
Trials	5000
Mean	4904
Median	4903
Standard Deviation	427
Range Minimum	3027
Range Maximum	6532
Uncertainty (%)	<b>17.40</b>

The probability density function resulting from the Montecarlo assessment is shown in Figure A1.6.

5,000 Trials

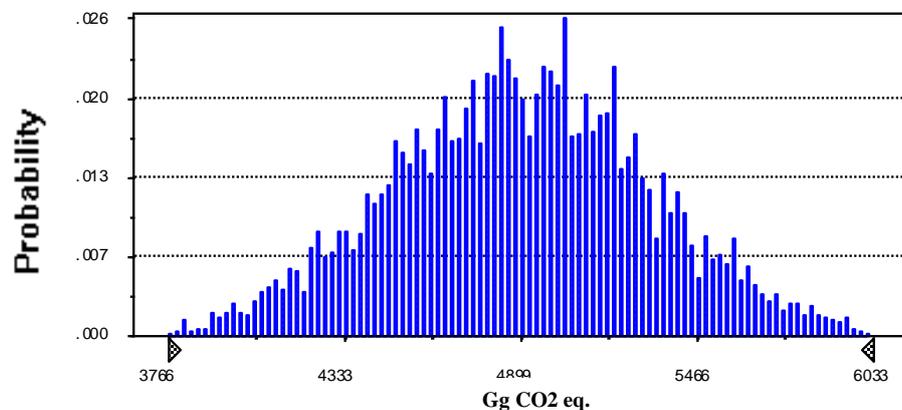


Figure A1.6 Probability density function resulting from Montecarlo analysis for CH<sub>4</sub> from fugitive emissions, year 2009

*Agriculture: CH<sub>4</sub> Enteric Fermentation in Domestic Livestock*

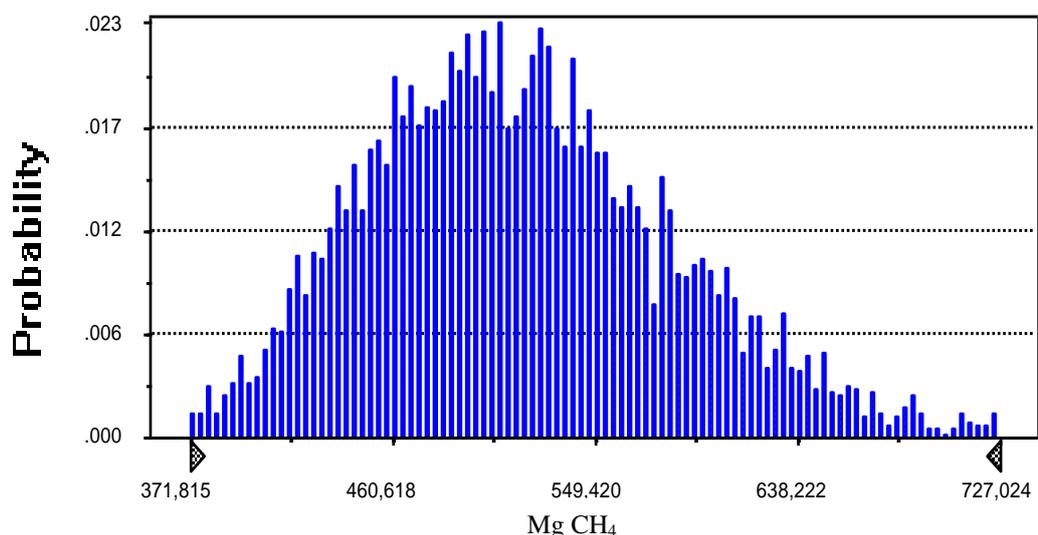
Montecarlo analysis has been carried out for the CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from enteric fermentation in domestic livestock, for the reporting year 2009. In Table A1.22 a description of the statistics resulting from the Montecarlo analysis is shown.

**Table A1.22 Statistics of the Montecarlo analysis for CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from enteric fermentation, year 2009**

	<u>Value</u>
Trials	5000
Mean	519,226
Median	512,480
Standard Deviation	71,264
Range Minimum	340,639
Range Maximum	869,092
<b>Uncertainty (%)</b>	<b>-21.8; +31.7</b>

The probability density function resulting from the Montecarlo assessment is shown in Figure A1.7.

### 5,000 Trials



**Figure A1.7 Probability density function resulting from Montecarlo analysis for CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from enteric fermentation, year 2009**

### *Agriculture: Direct N<sub>2</sub>O Agriculture soils*

Montecarlo analysis has been carried out for the Direct N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from Agriculture soils, for the reporting year 2010. In Table A1.23 a description of the statistics resulting from the Montecarlo analysis is shown.

**Table A1.23 Statistics of the Montecarlo analysis for Direct N<sub>2</sub>O Agriculture soils emissions, year 2010**

	<u>Value</u>
Trials	10000
Mean	23.24
Median	23.08
Standard Deviation	2.48
Range Minimum	16.85
Range Maximum	33.43
<b>Uncertainty (%)</b>	<b>21.34</b>

The probability density function resulting from the Montecarlo assessment is shown in Figure A1.8.

10,000 Trials

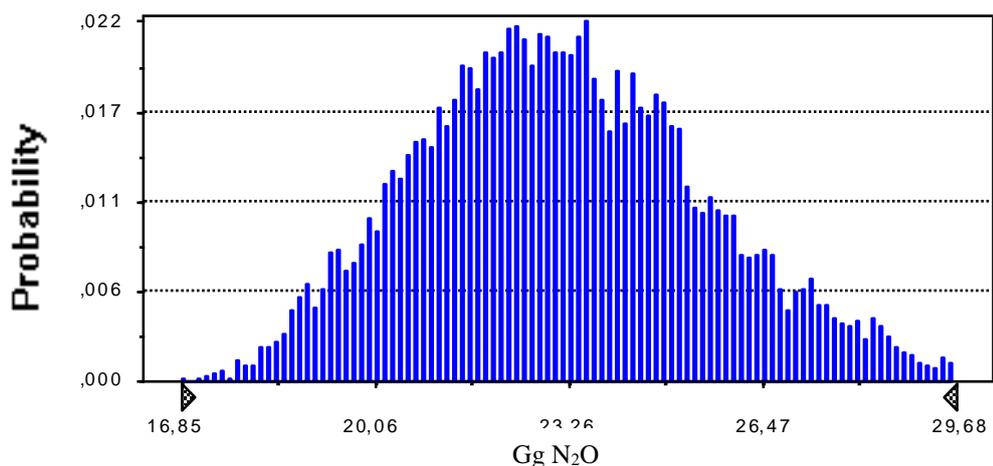


Figure A1.8 Probability density function resulting from Montecarlo analysis for Direct N<sub>2</sub>O Agriculture soils emissions, year 2010

**Agriculture: Indirect N<sub>2</sub>O from Nitrogen used in agriculture**

Montecarlo analysis has been carried out for the indirect N<sub>2</sub>O emission from nitrogen used in agriculture, for the reporting year 2010. In Table A1.24 a description of the statistics resulting from the Montecarlo analysis is shown.

Table A1.24 Statistics of the Montecarlo analysis for indirect N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from nitrogen used in agriculture, year 2010

	Value
Trials	10000
Mean	20.58
Median	20.47
Standard Deviation	2.23
Range Minimum	13.53
Range Maximum	29.42
<b>Uncertainty (%)</b>	<b>21.67</b>

The probability density function resulting from the Montecarlo assessment is shown in Figure A1.9.

10,000 Trials

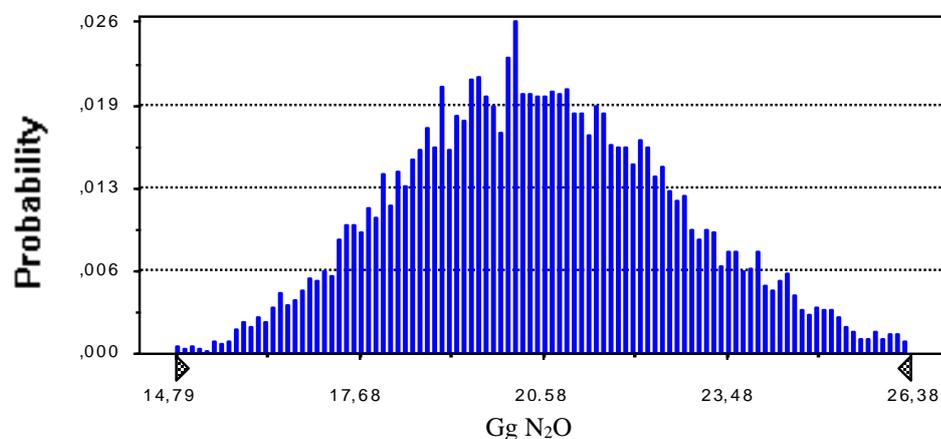


Figure A1.9 Probability density function resulting from Montecarlo analysis for indirect N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from nitrogen used in agriculture, year 2010

### *Agriculture: N<sub>2</sub>O manure management*

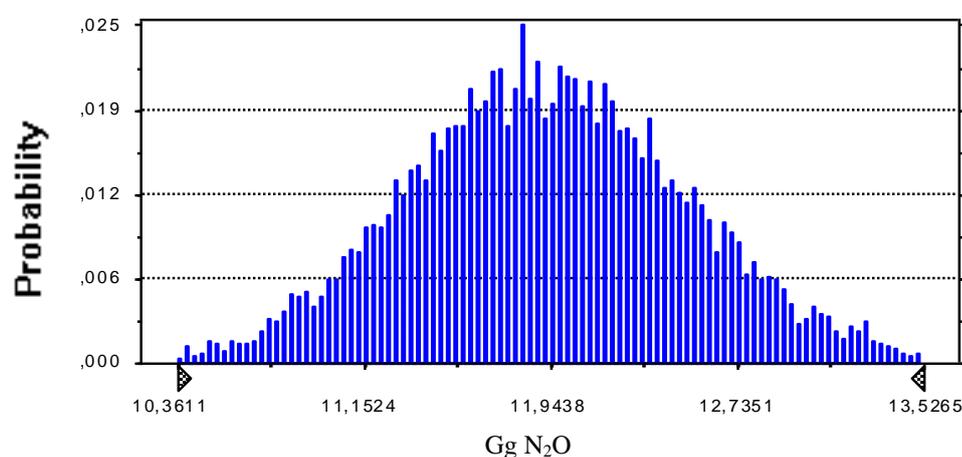
Montecarlo analysis has been carried out for N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from manure management, for the reporting year 2010. In Table A1.25 a description of the statistics resulting from the Montecarlo analysis is shown.

**Table A1.25 Statistics of the Montecarlo analysis for N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from Manure management, year 2010**

	<u>Value</u>
Trials	10000
Mean	11.9438
Median	11.9284
Standard Deviation	0.6087
Range Minimum	9.5877
Range Maximum	14.6361
<b>Uncertainty (%)</b>	<b>10.19</b>

The probability density function resulting from the Montecarlo assessment is shown in Figure A1.10.

#### **10.000 Trials**



**Figure A1.10 Probability density function resulting from Montecarlo analysis for N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from Manure management, year 2010**

### *Agriculture: CH<sub>4</sub> manure management*

Montecarlo analysis has been carried out for the CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from manure management, for the reporting year 2010. In Table A1.26 a description of the statistics resulting from the Montecarlo analysis is shown.

**Table A1.26 Statistics of the Montecarlo analysis for CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from enteric fermentation, year 2010**

	<u>Value</u>
Trials	10000
Mean	121.44
Median	120.93
Standard Deviation	13.94
Range Minimum	78.05
Range Maximum	180.80
<b>Uncertainty (%)</b>	<b>22.96</b>

The probability density function resulting from the Montecarlo assessment is shown in Figure A1.11.

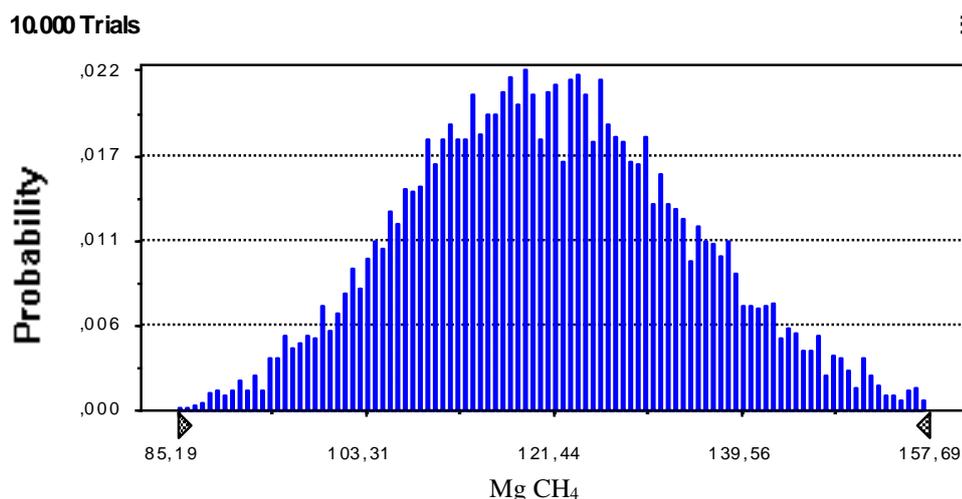


Figure A1.11 Probability density function resulting from Monte Carlo analysis for CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from enteric fermentation, year 2010

**LULUCF: CO<sub>2</sub> Forest Land remaining Forest Land**

Monte Carlo analysis has been carried out for the CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and removals from *Forest Land remaining Forest Land*, considering the different reporting pools (*aboveground, belowground, litter, deadwood and soils*), and the subcategories stands, coppices and rupicolous and riparian forests for the reporting year 2009. In Table A1.27 a description of the statistics resulting from the Monte Carlo analysis is shown.

Table A1.27 Statistics of the Monte Carlo analysis for CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and removals from Forest Land remaining Forest Land, year 2009

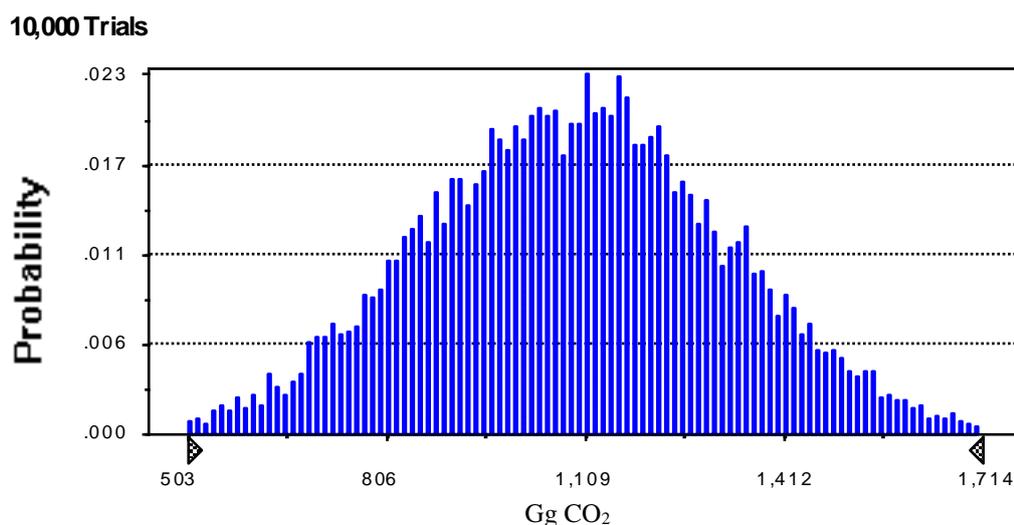
	Value					
	<i>aboveground</i>	<i>belowground</i>	<i>litter</i>	<i>deadwood</i>	<i>soils</i>	<b>total</b>
Trials	10000	10000	10000	10000	10000	10000
Mean	433	75	31	64	493	1,097
Median	431	75	31	64	494	1,098
Standard Deviation	82	14	12	12	122	236
Range Minimum	152	24	-16	24	2	197
Range Maximum	822	129	79	117	947	2,063
<b>Uncertainty (%)</b>	<b>37.86</b>	<b>37.18</b>	<b>79.40</b>	<b>36.87</b>	<b>49.33</b>	<b>42.93</b>

In Table A1.28 the results of the uncertainty assessment for the different subcategories are reported, related to the year 2009.

Table A1.28 Uncertainties assessed for the different subcategories, year 2009

	<i>aboveground</i>	<i>belowground</i>	<i>litter</i>	<i>deadwood</i>	<i>soils</i>	<i>total</i>
<b>Stands</b>	40.78	39.93	88.16	39.32	44.65	<b>41.91</b>
<b>Coppie</b>	53.81	54.99	74.81	53.47	67.35	<b>59.51</b>
<b>rupicolous and riparian forests</b>	56.53	61.49	79.66	56.91	58.52	<b>55.03</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>37.86</b>	<b>37.18</b>	<b>79.40</b>	<b>36.87</b>	<b>49.33</b>	<b>42.93</b>

The probability density function resulting from the Monte Carlo assessment is shown in Figure A1.12.



**Figure A1.12 Probability density function resulting from Montecarlo analysis for the CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and removals from Forest Land remaining Forest Land category, year 2009**

In Table A.1.29 the outcomes of the Approach 1 (error propagation) and Approach 2 (Montecarlo analysis) are shown, for the reporting pools. A general reduction in the uncertainty estimates has to be noted by comparing Montecarlo analysis results with the Approach 1 outcomes.

**Table A1.29 Comparison between uncertainty assessment with Approach 1 and Approach 2**

	Approach 1 %	Approach 2 (Montecarlo analysis) %
Aboveground	42.68	37.86
Belowground	42.68	37.18
Litter	52.17	79.40
Deadwood	101.62	36.80
Soils	113.00	49.33
<b>Total</b>	<b>67.98</b>	<b>42.93</b>

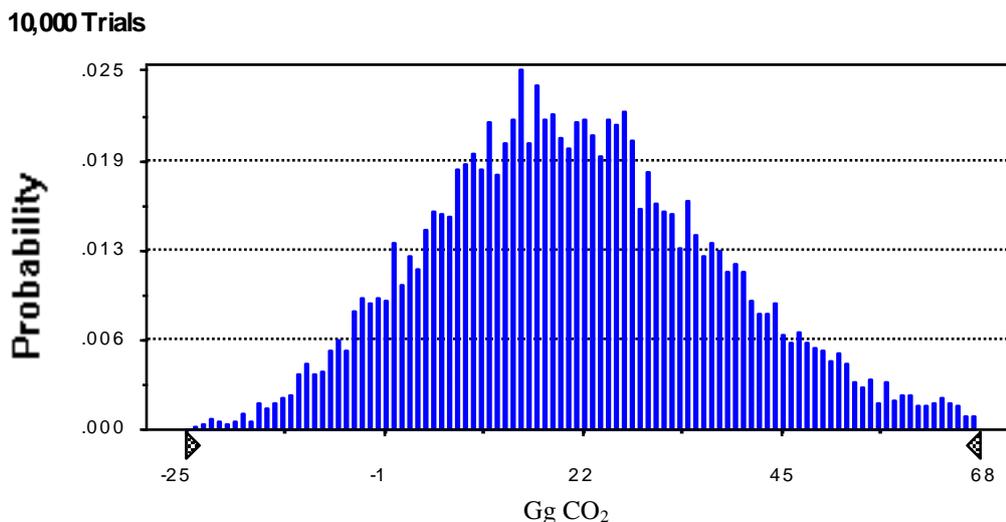
***LULUCF: CO<sub>2</sub> Land converting to Forest Land***

For *Land converting to Forest Land* category, Approach 2 has been carried out taking into account the different reporting pools (aboveground, belowground, litter, deadwood and soils), for the year 2009. In Table A1.30 a description of the statistics resulting from the Montecarlo analysis is shown.

**Table A1.30 Statistics of the Montecarlo analysis for Land converting to Forest Land, year 2009**

	Value					
	<i>aboveground</i>	<i>belowground</i>	<i>litter</i>	<i>deadwood</i>	<i>soils</i>	<b>total</b>
Trials	10000	10000	10000	10000	10000	10000
Mean	6	1	0.43	0.83	13.64	22
Median	6	1	0.40	0.82	12.25	20
Standard Deviation	2	0	0.25	0.34	18.63	18
Range Minimum	-1	0	-0.01	-0.18	-48.94	-37
Range Maximum	15	2	1.74	2.21	108.58	108
<b>Uncertainty (%)</b>	<b>-72.6; 85.8</b>	<b>-72.5; 86.2</b>	<b>-91.3; 153.1</b>	<b>-72.5; 84.8</b>	<b>-257.2; 342.8</b>	<b>-147.6; 192.3</b>

The probability function resulting from the Montecarlo assessment is shown in Figure A1.13.



**Figure A1.13 Probability density function resulting from Montecarlo analysis for the Land converting to Forest Land, year 2009**

***LULUCF: CO<sub>2</sub> Cropland remaining Cropland***

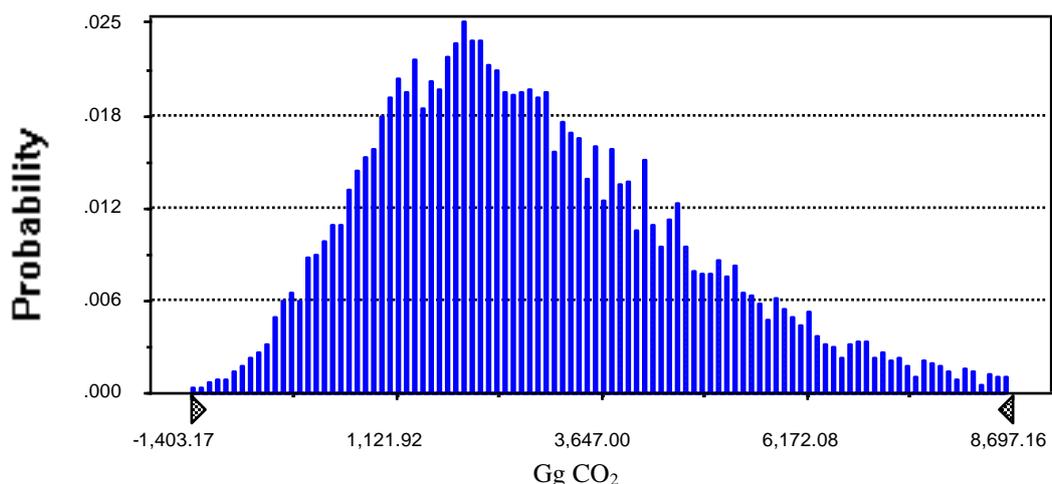
For CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and removals from Cropland remaining Cropland, Approach 2 has been carried out taking into account the reporting subcategories (*woody crops, plantations, CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from organic soils, CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from lime application*), for the year 2009. In Table A1.31 a description of the statistics resulting from the Montecarlo analysis is shown.

**Table A1.31 Statistics of the Montecarlo analysis for CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and removals from Cropland remaining Cropland, year 2009**

	Value				<b>total</b>
	<i>woody crops</i>	<i>plantations</i>	<i>CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from organic soils</i>	<i>CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from lime application</i>	
Trials	10000	10000	10000	10000	10000
Mean	3,017	-3.58	-90.26	-4.58	2,919
Median	2,662	-35.06	-81.65	-4.50	2,568
Standard Deviation	2,090	369.65	41.40	1.20	2,124
Range Minimum	-1,403	-1,595	-427.49	-10.59	-1913
Range Maximum	18,326	1739	409.17	-0.97	18,865
<b>Uncertainty (%)</b>	<b>-100.2; 199.4</b>	<b>-2173; 2454</b>	<b>-136.4; 57.3</b>	<b>-58.5; 46.4</b>	<b>-108.5; 210.2</b>

The probability density function resulting from the Montecarlo assessment is shown in Figure A1.14.

**10,000 Trials**



**Figure A1.14** Probability density function resulting from Montecarlo analysis for the CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and removals from Cropland remaining Cropland, year 2009

**LULUCF: CO<sub>2</sub> Land converting to Cropland**

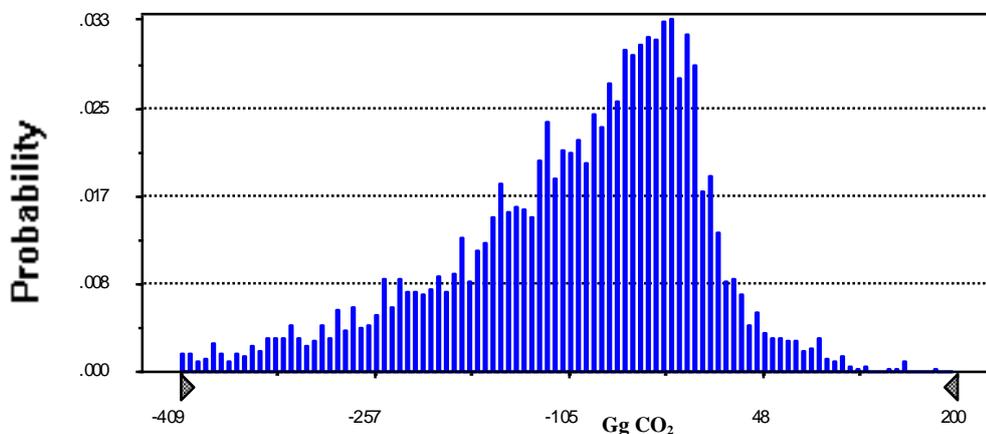
For CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and removals from Land converting to Cropland, **Approach 2** has been carried out taking into account the *living biomass* and *soils* carbon pools, for the year 2009. In Table A1.32 a description of the statistics resulting from the Montecarlo analysis is shown.

**Table A1.32** Statistics of the Montecarlo analysis for CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and removals from *Land converting to Cropland*, year 2009

	Value		
	<i>Living biomass</i>	<i>Soils</i>	<b>total</b>
Trials	5000	5000	5000
Mean	7	-112	-105
Median	4	-85	-79
Standard Deviation	11	119	118
Range Minimum	-7	-1,169	-1,097
Range Maximum	149	414	410
<b>Uncertainty (%)</b>	<b>-150.7; 821.7</b>	<b>-384.1; 160.3</b>	<b>-408.2; 178.5</b>

The probability density function resulting from the Montecarlo assessment is shown in Figure A1.15.

**5,000 Trials**



**Figure A1.15** Probability density function resulting from Montecarlo analysis for CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and removals from Land converting to Cropland, year 2009

### LULUCF: CO<sub>2</sub> Grassland remaining Grassland

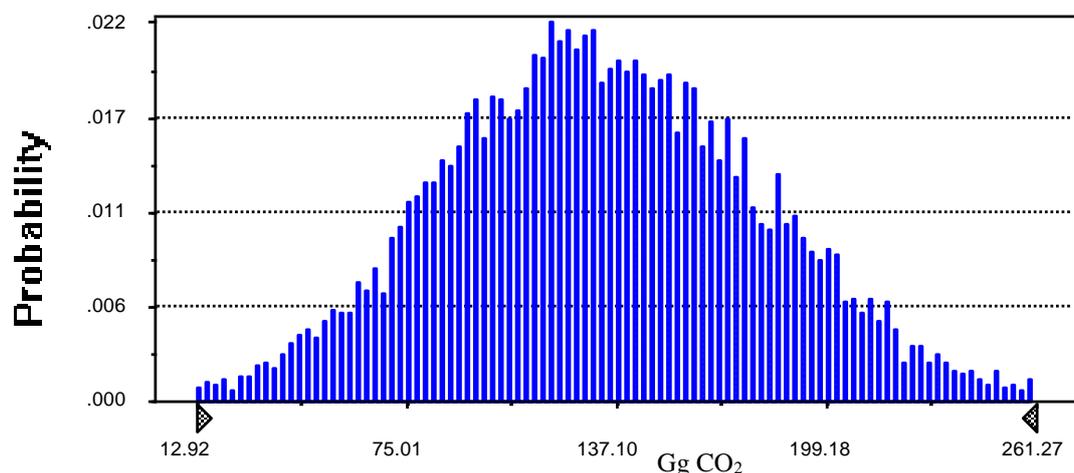
For CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and removals from Grassland remaining grassland, **Approach 2 has been carried out taking into account** the different carbon pools, for the year 2009. In Table A1.33 a description of the statistics resulting from the Montecarlo analysis is shown.

**Table A1.33 Statistics of the Montecarlo analysis for CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and removals from Grassland remaining Grassland, year 2009**

	Value					
	<i>aboveground</i>	<i>belowground</i>	<i>litter</i>	<i>deadwood</i>	<i>soils</i>	<b>total</b>
Trials	10000	10000	10000	10000	10000	10000
Mean	26.59	11.05	9.66	3.63	82.86	133.79
Median	25.72	10.61	9.65	3.52	82.25	132.04
Standard Deviation	10.63	5.34	3.45	1.47	30.48	48.08
Range Minimum	-4.54	-3.88	-3.19	-0.69	-8.88	-9.27
Range Maximum	81.63	37.31	23.31	11.27	204.58	354.91
<b>Uncertainty (%)</b>	<b>-68.6; 94.6</b>	<b>-82.6; 114.5</b>	<b>-70.4; 70.5</b>	<b>-69.9; 95.4</b>	<b>-70.6; 74.3</b>	<b>-67.7; 75.0</b>

The probability density function resulting from the Montecarlo assessment is shown in Figure A1.16.

#### 10,000 Trials



**Figure A1.16 Probability density function resulting from Montecarlo analysis for CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and removals from Grassland remaining Grassland, year 2009**

### LULUCF: CO<sub>2</sub> Land converting to Grassland

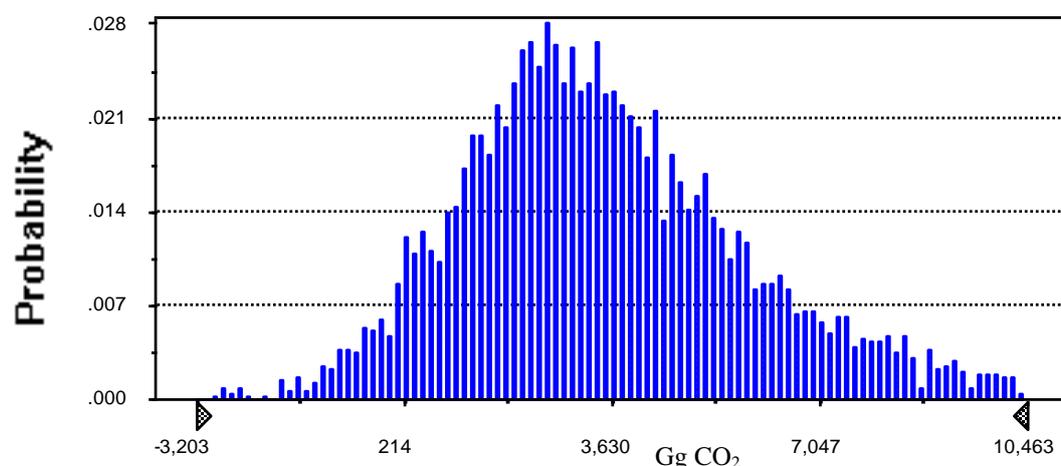
For CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and removals from Land converting to Grassland, **Approach 2 has been carried out taking into account** the *living biomass* and *soils* carbon pools, for the year 2009. In Table A1.34 a description of the statistics resulting from the Montecarlo analysis is shown.

**Table A1.34 Statistics of the Montecarlo analysis for CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and removals from Land converting to Grassland, year 2009**

	Value		
	<i>Living biomass</i>	<i>Soils</i>	<b>total</b>
Trials	5000	5000	5000
Mean	-371.6	4,006	3,635
Median	-304.7	3,650	3,283
Standard Deviation	462.0	2,654	2,623
Range Minimum	-5,426	4,813	-6,794
Range Maximum	1,640	20,503	19,126
<b>Uncertainty (%)</b>	<b>-383.8; 222.9</b>	<b>-106.1; 179.8</b>	<b>-119.3; 194.5</b>

The probability density function resulting from the Montecarlo assessment is shown in Figure A1.17.

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**Figure A1.17** Probability density function resulting from Montecarlo analysis for the CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and removals from Land converting to Grassland, year 2009

#### *LULUCF: CO<sub>2</sub> Land converting to Settlements*

For CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from Land converting to Settlements, **Approach 2** has been carried out taking into account the reporting subcategories (*annual crops converting to Settlements, woody crops converting to Settlements, Grassland converting to Settlement, Forest land converting to Settlements*), for the year 2009. In Table A1.35 a description of the statistics resulting from the Montecarlo analysis is shown.

**Table A1.35** Statistics of the Montecarlo analysis for CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from Land converting to Settlements, year 2009

	Value				total
	<i>Annual crops to SL</i>	<i>woody crops to SL</i>	<i>Grassland to SL</i>	<i>Forest land to SL</i>	
Trials	10000	10000	10000	10000	10000
Mean	-450.9	-377.7	-274.7	-100.4	-4,428.4
Median	-362.8	-312.3	-240.7	-100.7	-4,116.9
Standard Deviation	323.9	262.3	175.8	23.68	1,693.4
Range Minimum	-3,739.5	-4,229.4	-2,423.8	-283.7	-18,736.0
Range Maximum	-22.0	-29.5	-2.3	-40.3	-1.073.8
<b>Uncertainty (%)</b>	<b>-262.1; 72.0</b>	<b>-238.1; 70.8</b>	<b>-193.5; 82.9</b>	<b>-56.0; 35.1</b>	<b>-100.3; 49.2</b>

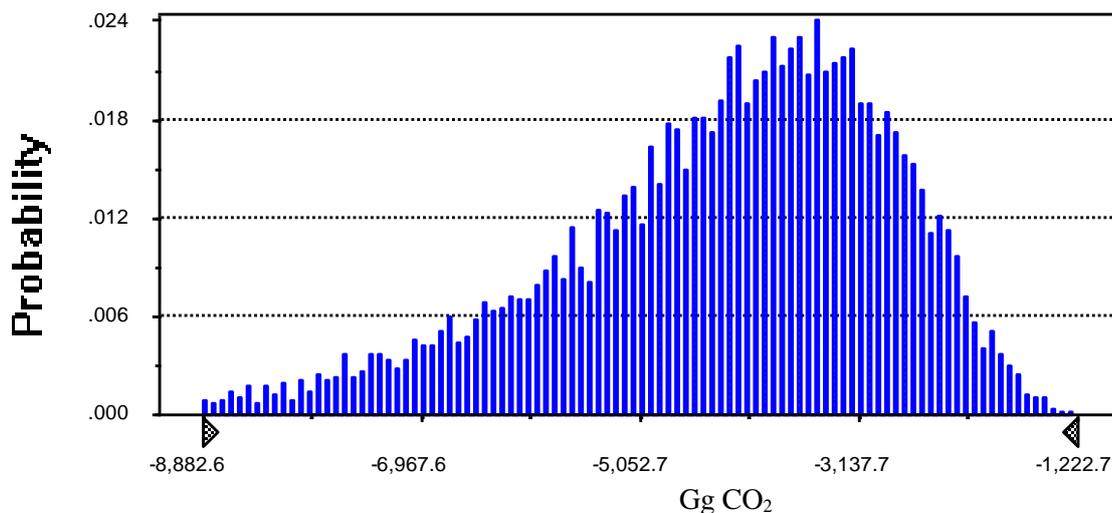
In Table A1.36 the results of the uncertainty assessment for the different subcategories are reported, related to the year 2009.

**Table A1.36** Uncertainties assessed for the different subcategories, year 2009

	living biomass %	dead organic matter %	Soils %	Total %
<i>annual crops to SL</i>	-300.9; 75.5	-	-267.1; 72.0	-262.1; 72.0
<i>woody crops to SL</i>	-288.8; 74.3	-	-235.5; 70.5	-238.1; 70.8
<b>Cropland to SL</b>	-288.8; 67.0	-	-187.0; 62.5	<b>-193.5; 82.9</b>
<b>Grassland to SL</b>	-	-	-193.5; 82.9	<b>-193.5; 82.9</b>
<b>Forest land to SL</b>	-115.9; 54.3	-56.9; 51.3	68.2; 40.0	<b>-56.0; 35.1</b>
<b>Land to SL</b>	-	-	-	<b>-100.3; 49.2</b>

The probability density function resulting from the Montecarlo assessment is shown in Figure A1.18.

**10,000 Trials**



**Figure A1.18** Probability density function resulting from Montecarlo analysis for the CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from Land converting to Settlements, year 2009

**Waste: CH<sub>4</sub> from Solid waste Disposal Sites**

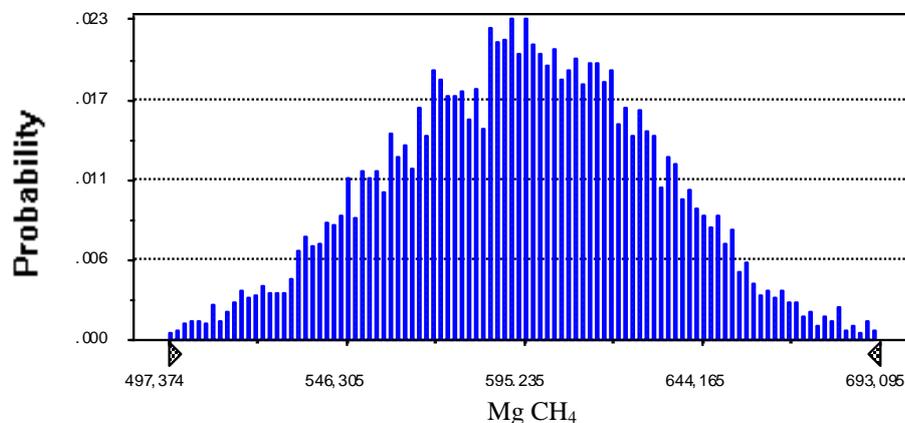
Montecarlo analysis has been carried out for the CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from Solid waste disposal sites, for the reporting year 2009. In Table A1.37 a description of the statistics resulting from the Montecarlo analysis is shown.

**Table A1.37** Statistics of the Montecarlo analysis for Solid waste disposal on land category, year 2009

	Value
Trials	5000
Mean	595,157
Median	595,893
Standard Deviation	37,423
Range Minimum	469,077
Range Maximum	728,751
<b>Uncertainty (%)</b>	<b>12.58</b>

The probability density function resulting from the Montecarlo assessment is shown in Figure A1.19.

**5,000 Trials**



**Figure A1.19** Probability density function resulting from Montecarlo analysis for the Solid waste disposal on land category, year 2009

## ANNEX 2: ENERGY CONSUMPTION FOR POWER GENERATION

### A2.1 Source category description

The main source of data on fuel consumption for electricity production is the annual report “Statistical data on electricity production and power plants in Italy” (“Dati statistici sugli impianti e la produzione di energia elettrica in Italia”), edited from 1999 by the Italian Independent System Operator (TERNA, several years), a public company that runs the high voltage transmission grid. For the period 1990-1998 the same data were published by ENEL (ENEL, several years), former monopolist of electricity distribution. The time series is available since 1963. In these publications, consumptions of all power plants are reported, either public or privately owned.

Detailed data are collected at plant level, on monthly basis. They include electricity production and estimation of physical quantities of fuels and the related energy content; for the largest installations, the energy content is based on laboratory tests. Only the fuel used for electricity production is reported. Up to 1999, the fuel consumption was reported at a very detailed level, 17 different fuels, allowing a quite precise estimation of the carbon content. From 2000 onward, the published data aggregate all fuels in five groups that do not allow for a precise evaluation of the carbon content. In Table A2.1, the time series of fuel consumptions for power sector production is reported.

**Table A2.1 Time series of power sector production by fuel, Gg or Mm<sup>3</sup>**

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
national coal	58	-	Solids	Solids	Solids	Solids	Solids	Solids	Solids	Solids
imported coal	10,724	8,216	9,633	16,253	14,998	16,245	13,301	12,054	10,633	7,175
lignite	1,501	380								
Natural gas, Mm <sup>3</sup>	9,731	11,277	22,334	30,544	29,630	20,365	23,114	25,785	23,592	26,065
BOF(steel converter) gas, Mm <sup>3</sup>	509	633	Coal Gases	Coal Gases	Coal Gases	Coal Gases	Coal Gases	Coal Gases	Coal Gases	Coal Gases
Blast furnace gas, Mm <sup>3</sup>	6,804	6,428	8,690	12,104	8,822	3,658	5,051	4,362	4,772	3,801
Coke gas, Mm <sup>3</sup>	693	540								
Light distillate	5	6	Oil products	Oil products	Oil products	Oil products	Oil products	Oil products	Oil products	Oil products
Diesel oil	303	184	19,352	7,941	2,152	1,133	775	772	585	617
Heavy fuel oil	21,798	25,355								
Refinery gas	211	378								
Petroleum coke	186	189								
Gases from chemical processes	444	803	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others	Others
Other fuels	344	697	5,153	Mm <sup>3</sup> = 978	Mm <sup>3</sup> = 1,501	Mm <sup>3</sup> = 3,509	Mm <sup>3</sup> = 3,523	Mm <sup>3</sup> = 3,513	Mm <sup>3</sup> = 3,496	Mm <sup>3</sup> = 3,568
				Gg= 15,460	Gg= 18,160	Gg= 16,257	Gg= 16,815	Gg= 16,156	Gg= 16,718	Gg= 16,012
Tar	2	-	-							
Heat recovered from Pyrite	146	3	-							

Source: TERNA, several years

Figures reported in the table show that natural gas has substituted oil products, from 1990 to 2019, becoming the main fuel for electricity production while coal consumption has decreased in the last years.

For the purpose of calculating GHG emissions, a detailed list of 25 fuels was delivered to ISPRA by TERNA for the years from 2000 to 2007. From 2008 the list of the fuels used to estimate emissions was expanded by TERNA, up to 40 different types in 2012. The list includes different variety of renewable sources according to their composition and origin, useful to estimate the percentage of renewable sources for electricity

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generation and to comply with national regulations of waste derived fuels. A list of different quantities of fuel oils used according to the sulphur content was also added. Energy data of previous years have not changed (see previous reports). These figures include also amount of fuels used to cogenerate heat and electricity in some power plants.

The detailed information is confidential and only the elaboration applied to calculate emissions at an aggregated level is reported in Table A2.2 and Table A2.3. The consumption of municipal solid waste (MSW) / industrial wastes is separated from the biomass consumption, and reported under other fuels, since the use of this fuel for electricity generation is expanding and emission factors are different.

At national level, other statistics on the fuel used for electricity production exist, the most remarkable being the national energy balance (BEN), published annually (MSE, several years) and those published by Unione Petrolifera, the Oil companies association (UP, several years). In the past, also the association of the industrial electricity producers (UNAPACE, several years) up to the year 1998, and ENI, the former national oil company up to the year 2000, published production data with the associated fuel consumptions (ENI, several years).

## **A2.2 Methodological issues**

Both BEN and TERNA publications could be used for the inventory preparation, as they are part of the national statistical system and published regularly. The preference, up to date, for TERNA data arises from the following reasons:

- BEN data are prepared on the basis of TERNA reports to IEA and EUROSTAT, so both data sets come from the same source;
- before publication in the BEN, TERNA data are revised to be adapted to the reporting methodology: balance is done on the energy content of fuels and the physical quantities of fuels are converted to energy using standard conversion factors; so the total energy content of the fuels is the “right” information extracted from the TERNA reports and the physical quantities are changed to avoid discrepancies; the resulting information cannot be cross checked with detailed plant data (point source evaluation) based on the physical quantities;
- the used fuel types are much more detailed in TERNA database, 40 fuels as above mentioned, whereas in BEN all fuels are added up (using energy content) and reported together in 12 categories: emission factors for certain fuels (coal gases or refinery by-products) are quite different and essential information is lost with this process;
- finally, the two data sets usually differ, even considering the total energy values of fuels or the produced electricity, there are always small differences, usually less than 1%, that increase the already sizable discrepancy between the reference approach and the detailed approach; the BEN adjust the physical quantities according to fixed low heating values and this process combined with the reduction of fuel types adds rounding errors and this may cause the small difference between the production of electricity of the two sources.

The other two statistical publications quoted before, UP (UP, several years) and ENI (ENI, several years), have direct access to fuel consumption data from the associated companies, but both rely on TERNA data for the complete picture. Data from those two sources are used for cross checking and estimation of point source emissions.

For verification purposes, an estimate of CO<sub>2</sub>, N<sub>2</sub>O and CH<sub>4</sub> emissions, with a rather complex calculation sheet has been used (APAT, 2003). The data sheet summarizes all plants existing in Italy divided by technology, about 60 typologies, and type of fuel used; the calculation sheet can be considered a model of the national power system. The main scope of the model has been to estimate the emissions of pollutants different from CO<sub>2</sub> that are technology dependent. For each year, a run estimated the fuel consumed by each plant type, the pollutant emissions and GHG emissions.

The model has many possible outputs; some of which are built up in such a way to reproduce the data available from statistical source. The model has been revised every year, till 2017, to mirror the changes occurred in the power plants. Moreover, the model is also able to estimate the energy/emissions data related to the electricity produced and used on site by the main industrial producers. Those data are reported in the other energy industries, Tables 1.A.1.b and 1.A.1.c of the CRF, and in the industrial sector section, Table 1.A.2 of the CRF.

Table A2.2 reports the differences between the model and TERNA data for 2017.

For each source, three types of data are presented: electricity production, physical quantities of fuel consumptions and amount of energy used.

**Table A2.2 Energy consumption for electricity production, year 2017**

Fuels	TERNA			Model		
	GWe, gross	Gg / Mm <sup>3</sup>	Pj	GWe, gross	Gg/ Mm <sup>3</sup>	Pj
Coal	32,627.4	12,054	302.4	32,623.6	11,555	302.2
Coke oven gas	870.1	411	7.4	834.9	400	7.1
Blast furnace gas	1,473.3	3,713	14.5	1,474.4	3,279	12.3
Oxi converter gas	157.9	239	1.5	0.0		0.0
Total derived gases	2,501.3	4,362	23.4	2,309.3	3,679	19.5
<b>Coal</b>	<b>35,128.7</b>		<b>325.8</b>	<b>34,932.9</b>		<b>321.6</b>
Light distillates	0.1	0	0.00	0.0	0	0.0
Light fuel oil	468.3	105	4.5	474.4	111	18,748.6
Fuel oil - high sulfur content	1,696.0	416	17.1	8,683.7	1,343	235,539.0
Fuel oil - low sulfur content	0.0		0.0	444.2	576	12,008.9
Refinery gas	1,918.1	251	11.7	1,897.7	226	48,735.8
Petroleum coke	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0
Oriemulsion	0.0	0	0.0			
<i>total fuel oil</i>	<i>4,082.6</i>		<i>33.3</i>	<i>11,500.0</i>	<i>2,256</i>	<i>75.3</i>
Gas from chemical proc.	429.7	679	3.8	0.0	0	0.0
Heavy residuals/ tar	6,862.2	4,991	42.1			
Others	85.6		0.8			
<i>total residual</i>	<i>7,377.5</i>		<i>46.7</i>	<i>0.0</i>		<i>0.0</i>
<b>Oil+residuals</b>	<b>11,460.1</b>		<b>80.0</b>	<b>11,500.0</b>		<b>75.3</b>
<b>Natural gas</b>	<b>140,349.3</b>	<b>25,785</b>	<b>897.5</b>	<b>140,344.2</b>	<b>26,166</b>	<b>896.6</b>
Biofuels	4,463.5	925	33.9			33.9
Biogas	8,299.1	3,481	66.7			66.7
Biomass	4,193.2	4,213	50.0	3,972.9	4,731	49.9
Municipal waste	4,930.1	5,348	61.5	4,135.0	5,749	60.2
<b>Grand total</b>	<b>208,824</b>		<b>1,515.4</b>	<b>207,648</b>		<b>1,504.3</b>
TERNA /BEN differences				0.6%		0.7%

Source: ISPRA elaborations

Table A2.3 shows all energy and emissions summarized by fuel and split in two main categories of producers: public services and industrial producers for the year 2019, according to the reporting in the CRF. Since 1998, expansion of industrial cogeneration of electricity and split of national monopoly has transformed many industrial producers into “independent producers”, regularly supplying the national grid. So part of the energy/emissions of the industrial producers are added to Table 1.A.1.a of the CRF, according to the best information available, including those available at plant level from the EU ETS scheme.

**Table A2.3 Power sector, Energy/CO<sub>2</sub> emissions in CRF format, year 2019**

	TJ	CO <sub>2</sub> , Gg
Public Electricity and Heat Production - Table 1.A.1a		
Liquid fuels	13,782	1,081
Solid fuels	180,510	17,199
Natural gas	844,312	48,660
Refinery gases		
Coal gases		
Biomass	108,791	9,423
Other fuels (incl.waste)		
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,147,395</b>	<b>66,939</b>

	<b>TJ</b>	<b>CO<sub>2</sub>, Gg</b>
Industrial producers and auto-producers - Tables 1.A.1b, 1.A.1c and 1.A.2		
Liquid fuels	9,370	718
Solid fuels	1,338	128
Natural gas	217,382	12,528
Refinery gases	29,547	1,668
Other refinery products	45,431	3,927
Coal gases	25,335	4,310
Biomass	112,539	9,803
Other fuels (incl.waste)	50,959	4,140
<b>Total</b>	<b>491,901</b>	<b>27,419</b>
<b>General total</b>	<b>1,639,296</b>	<b>94,358</b>

Source: ISPRA elaborations

In conclusion, the main question of the accuracy of the underlying energy data of key sources is connected to the discrepancies between BEN and TERNA in the estimates of electricity produced and of the energy content of the used fuels. The difference is small, but it should not occur because both data sets derive from the same source. On the basis of this consideration, the inventory has been based on TERNA data that are expected to be more reliable. In particular because the emission factors used are based on the energy content of the fuel, the model has been used to reproduce with the TERNA energy consumption figures ignoring discrepancies in the electricity production or in the physical quantities of fuel used. Further, in 2020 MSE provided detailed TERNA data for 2018 straight to ISPRA in order to allow the overcoming of discrepancies.

### **A2.3 Uncertainty and time-series consistency**

The combined uncertainty in CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from electricity production is estimated to be about 4.2% in annual emissions; a higher uncertainty, equal to 50.1%, is calculated for CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions on account of the uncertainty levels attributed to the related emission factors.

For the year 2009, Montecarlo analysis has been carried out to estimate uncertainty of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from stationary combustion of solid, liquid and gaseous fuels emissions, resulting in 5.1%, 3.3% and 5.8%, respectively. Normal distributions have been assumed for all the parameters. A summary of the results is reported in Annex 1.

Estimates of fuel consumption for electricity generation in 2019 are reported in Table A2.3.

In Table A2.4, the time series of the total CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from electricity generation activities is reported, including total electricity produced and specific indicators of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions for the total energy production and for the thermoelectric production respectively, expressed in grams of CO<sub>2</sub> per kWh. The emission factors are reported excluding the electricity produced from pumped storage units using water that has previously been pumped uphill, as requested by Directive 2009/28/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council promoting the electricity renewable sources.

The time series clearly shows that although the specific carbon content of the kWh generated in Italy has constantly improved over the years, total emissions have raised till 2006 due to the even bigger increase of electricity production. The decreasing trend starting from 2007 results from an increase in energy production from renewable sources, combined with a further reduction in the use of oil products for electricity production. In the last years the emissions are quite stable notwithstanding the increase of total energy demand and production, as a consequence of the shift from coal to natural gas.

**Table A2.4 Time series of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from electricity production**

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Total electricity produced (gross), TWh	216.9	241.5	276.6	303.7	302.1	283.0	289.8	295.8	289.7	293.9
Total CO <sub>2</sub> emitted, Mt	126.4	133.5	139.8	144.6	120.9	93.7	92.9	93.3	85.6	81.1
g CO <sub>2</sub> /kwh (gross thermo-electric production)	709	682	636	574	524	489	467	447	446	416
G CO <sub>2</sub> /kwh of total gross production*	593	562	518	487	405	333	323	317	297	278

\* excluding electricity production from pumped storage units using water that has previously been pumped uphill

Source: ISPRA elaborations

The trend of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions for thermoelectric production is the result of an increase of natural gas share due to the entry into service of more efficient combined cycle plants. The downward trend takes also into account the general increase in efficiency of the power plants.

#### A2.4 Source-specific QA/QC and verification

Basic activity data to estimate emissions from all operators are annually collected and reported by the national grid administrator (TERNA, several years). Other data are collected directly from operators for plants bigger than 20 MWh, with a yearly survey since 2005 and communicated at international level in the framework of the EU ETS scheme. Activity data and other parameters, as net calorific values, are compared every year at an aggregate level, by fuel; differences and problems have been identified, analysed in detail and solved with sectoral experts.

In addition, time series resulting from the recalculation have been presented to the national experts in the framework of an *ad hoc* working group on air emissions inventories. The group is chaired by ISPRA and includes participants from the local authorities responsible for the preparation of local inventories, sectoral experts, the Ministry of Environment, Land and Sea, and air quality model experts. Top-down and bottom-up approaches have been compared with the aim to identify the potential problems and future improvements to be addressed.

#### A2.5 Source-specific recalculations

CO<sub>2</sub> emission factors have been slightly revised from 2005 for different fuels because of the update in atomic weights for the elements involved in the calculation of the carbon content in the natural gas (Hydrogen, Carbon, Oxygen, etc.). The emission factor for natural gas has been updated for the whole time series because of the update of the average content of CH<sub>4</sub> and CO<sub>2</sub> in the national natural gas mix due to an error which has been fixed. Updated emission factors are provided in Annex 6.

#### A2.6 Source-specific planned improvements

With the aim to improve the comparison with the international statistics and the relevant definition and classification of fuels we are progressively updating the emission inventory adopting the energy balance activity data provided by the Italian Ministry of Economic Development to the international organization after verification that these time series data reflect the relevant emission inventory categories.

A revision of biomass and waste fuel consumption time series is planned for the next submission on the basis of energy data communicated by the Ministry of Economic Development to the Joint Questionnaire OECD/IEA/EUROSTAT, after a verification and comparison with data up to now used and available in the National Energy Balance reports (MSE, several years). National Energy Balances are available in Italy from 1970 with the same format and comparable data. The submissions to the international questionnaire in some cases follow different rules and different allocation of fuel consumptions. The comparison is oriented to avoid that the use of international statistics results in a loss of information already used for the emission inventory. Moreover, we will check where along the time series changes occurred and for which matter (simple updates of annual data or something related to the different reporting rules).

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### ANNEX 3: ESTIMATION OF CARBON CONTENT OF COALS USED IN INDUSTRY

The preliminary use of the CRF software in 2001 underlined an unbalance of emissions in the solid fuel rows above 20%. A detailed verification pointed out to an already known issue for Italy: the combined use of standard IPCC emission factors for coals, national emission factors for coal gases and CORINAIR methodology emission factors for steel works processes produces double counting of emissions.

The main reason for this is the specific national circumstance of extensive recovery of coal gases from blast furnaces, coke ovens and oxygen converters for electricity generation. The emissions from those gases are separately accounted for and reported in the electricity generation sector.

Another specific national circumstance is the concentration of steel works in two sites, since the year 2005, with integrated steel plants, coke ovens and electricity self-production and just in one site since 2015. Only pig iron is produced also in one additional location. This has allowed for careful check of the processes involved and the emissions estimates at site level and, with reference to other countries, may or may not have exacerbated the unbalances in carbon emissions due to the use of standard emission factor developed for other industrial sites.

To avoid the double counting a specific methodology has been developed: it balances energy and carbon content of coking coals used by steelworks, industry, for non-energy purposes and coal gasses used for electricity generation.

A balance is made between the coal used for coke production and the quantities of derived fuels used in various sectors. The iron and steel sector gets the resulting quantities of energy and carbon after subtraction of what is used for electricity generation, non-energy purposes and other industrial sectors. According to the 2006 IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006), the use of reductants is also included in this balance because no sufficient information to detail emissions between the energy and industrial processes sectors is available. The carbon balance methodology does not imply to separate off input between the energy and industrial sectors but ensures no double counting occurs.

Until the 2016 submission, the base statistical data are all reported in the BEN (with one exception) and the methodology starts with a verification of the energy balance reported in the BEN that seldom presents problems, and then apply the emission factors to the energy carriers, trying to balance the carbon inputs with emissions. The exception mentioned refers to the recovered gases of BOFs (Basic Oxygen Furnace) that are used to produce electricity but were not accounted for by BEN from the year 1990 up to 1999. From the year 2000 those gases are (partially, only in one plant) included in the estimate of blast furnace gas. The data used to estimate the emissions from 1990 to 1999 are reported by GRTN – ENEL (TERNA, several years). The consideration of the BOF gases does not change the following discussion, because its contribution to the total emissions is quite limited.

Starting from the 2017 submission, data submitted by the Ministry of Economic Development to the Joint Questionnaire IEA/OECD/EUROSTAT have been used and this required specific meetings and additional verification activities in order to make the transition to the new data format, so in 2017 submission it was not yet possible to reconstruct the entire time series and only 2015 data were used. In the 2018 submission the complete time series, from 1990, of solid fuel consumptions and relevant calorific values have been updated on the basis of figures submitted by the Ministry of Economic Development to the Joint Questionnaire IEA/OECD/EUROSTAT. This required a considerable amount of work for the comprehension and reconstruction of trends. Consequently, this process involved significant changes, especially in the nineties, some of which are still under investigation thanks to the collaboration with the Ministry of Economic Development.

Table A3.1 summarises the quantities of coal and coal by-products used by the energy system in the year 2019; all the data mentioned are those provided by the Ministry of economic development to the the Joint Questionnaire IEA/OECD/EUROSTAT for the same year.

In Table A3.1 the quantities of coke, coke gas and blast furnace gas used by the different sectors are detailed as well as the quantities of the same energy carriers that are self-used, used to produce coke or wasted. Inputs are indicated in the blue cells while outputs are reported in the orange ones.

**Table A3.1 Energy balance, 2019, TJ**

	<b>TJ input</b>	<b>TJ output</b>	
steam coal	199,264	7,140	clinker/industry thermoelectric power plants blast furnace
		181,485	
		10,639	
anthracite	2,606	2,606	steel plants
sub bituminous and lignite	15	15	clinker/industry
coking coal	67,981	0	coking coal consumption
		1,833	Non-energy use in other sectors
Coke import/export/stock change	8,300		
coke		170	other industry and domestic
		15,985	ferroalloys
coke oven gas		344	blast furnace consumption
		3,056	coke oven gas in coke oven and blast furnace
		9,798	coke oven gas reheating
blast furnace gas		0	coke oven gas thermoelectric
		15,476	BF gas in coke oven
		0	BF gas thermoelectric
BOF gas		60	BF gas reheating
			coal gasses in thermoelectric + reheating
			carbon stored in products
<b>tot</b>	<b>278,167</b>	<b>246,776</b>	<b>Input – output= 11,714 TJ → 12.72%</b>

In Table A3.2, the same energy data of Table A3.1 valued for their carbon content are reported, according to the emission factors reported in Table 3.12 of the NIR.

The balance is the resulting quantity of emissions after subtraction of carbon emissions estimated for coke ovens, electricity production, other coal uses and non-energy uses.

The low implied emission factors in CRF and annual variations in the average CO<sub>2</sub> emission factor for solid fuel are due to the fact that both activity data and emissions reported under this category include the results of the carbon balance.

All main installations of the iron and steel sector are included in EU ETS, but not all sources of emission. Only part of the processes of integrated steel making is subject to EU ETS, in particular the manufacturing process after the production of row steel was excluded up to 2007 and only the lamination processes have been included from 2008 onwards. Additional information from the operators on fuel consumptions and average emission factors is used to verify our calculation and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions at plant level and to calculate average CO<sub>2</sub> emission factors for coal and derived gases from 2005; obviously from the 2015 submission emission factors have been updated on the basis of 2006 IPCC Guidelines, see Annex 6 for further details.

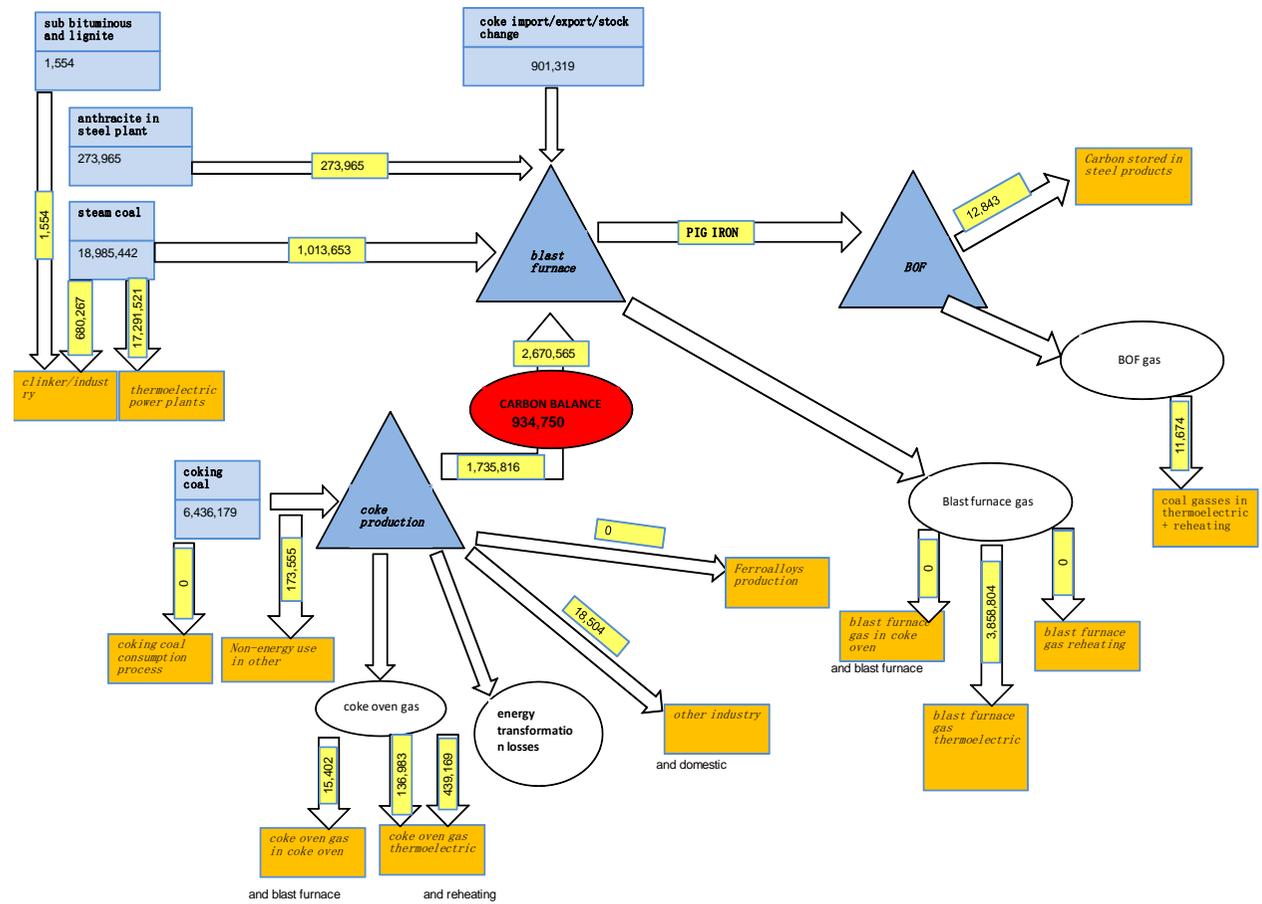
**Table A3.2 Carbon balance, 2019, Gg CO<sub>2</sub>**

	<b>input</b>	<b>output</b>	
steam coal	18,985,442	680,267	clinker/industry thermoelectric power plants blast furnace
		17,291,521	
		1,013,653	
anthracite	273,965	273,965	steel plants
sub bituminous and lignite	1,554	1,554	clinker/industry
coking coal	6,436,179	0	coking coal consumption
		173,555	Non-energy use in other sectors
coke import/export/stock change	901,319		
coke		18,504	other industry and domestic
		0	ferroalloys
coke oven gas		1,735,816	blast furnace consumption
		15,402	coke oven gas in coke oven and blast furnace
		136,983	coke oven gas reheating
blast furnace gas		439,169	coke oven gas thermoelectric
		0	BF gas in coke oven
		3,858,804	BF gas thermoelectric
		0	BF gas reheating
BOF gas		11,674	coal gasses in thermoelectric + reheating
		12,843	carbon stored in products
<b>tot</b>	<b>26,598,459</b>	<b>25,663,709</b>	<b>Input-output=934,750 Gg CO<sub>2</sub> unbalance 3.64%</b>

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In 2019 the unbalance in terms of CO<sub>2</sub> is equal to 934,750 Gg; this amount has been subtracted from the total to avoid double counting of carbon. The flowchart of carbon - cycle for the year 2019 is reported below. CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from primary input fuels and from final fuel consumptions are compared. Emissions related to fuel input data are enhanced in light-blue whereas emissions estimated from final fuel consumptions are highlighted in orange. Emissions from the use of coke in blast furnaces result from differences between emissions from final consumption of coke and the value of the carbon balance for 2019. The amount of carbon stored in steel produced was estimated and subtracted from the balance to avoid the subsequent overestimation of CO<sub>2</sub>. The amount of coke used for ferroalloys production has also been subtracted to avoid a double counting of emissions already estimated and reported in the industrial processes sector.

# CO<sub>2</sub> emission calculation (Gg) Year 2019



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## ANNEX 4: CO<sub>2</sub> REFERENCE APPROACH

### A4.1 Introduction

The IPCC Reference Approach is a ‘top down’ inventory based on data on production, imports, exports and stock changes of crude oils, feedstock, natural gas and solid fuels. Estimates are made of the carbon stored in manufactured products, the carbon consumed as international bunker fuels and the emissions from biomass combustion.

The methodology follows the IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006); table 1.A(b) of the Common Reporting Format “Sectoral background data for energy - CO<sub>2</sub> from Fuel Combustion Activities - Reference Approach” is a self-sustaining explanation of the methodology.

However, it was necessary to make a few adaptations to allow full use of the Italian energy and emission factor data (ENEA, 2002 [a]), and these are described in the following. The BEN (MSE, several years [a]) reports the energy balances for all primary and secondary fuels, with data on imports, exports and production. See Annex 5, for an example of the year 2019 and the web site of the Ministry of Economic Development for the whole time series <https://dgsaie.mise.gov.it/ben.php>. For the reference approach, as for the inventory, data submitted by the Ministry of Economic Development to the Joint Questionnaire IEA/OECD/EUROSTAT have been used for solid fuels, natural gas, liquid fuels and the update is ongoing for other fuels. Starting with the 2021 submission IEA/OECD/EUROSTAT data have been utilized since 1990.

Starting from those data and using the emission factors reported in chapter 3, Table 3.12, it is possible to estimate the total carbon entering in the national energy system. It has been developed a direct connection between relevant cells of the CRF tables and the BEN tables and a procedure to insert some additional activity data needed.

The ‘missing’ data refer to import – export of petrol additives, asphalt, other chemical products with energy content, energy use of exhausted lubricants and the evaluation of marine and aviation bunkers fuels used for national traffic.

Those ‘missing’ data are in fact reported in the BEN, but all mixed up together with other substances as sulphur and petrochemicals. The aggregate data do not allow the use of the proper emission factor so inventory is based on more detailed statistics from foreign trade surveys.

The carbon stored in products is estimated according to the procedure illustrated in paragraph 3.8 and directly subtracted to the emission balance. In the cases, as Italy, where those products are not considered in the energy balances this brings to an unbalanced control sheet, as discussed in the following.

With reference to table 1.A(b) of the CRF, we make reference to the BEN tables reported in Annex 5. In particular the following data are reported and used for the *Reference Approach*:

1. import-export data of motor oil derive from foreign trade statistics, estimated by an ENEA consultant for the period 1990-1998. BPT data (MSE, several years [b]) are used from 1999 onwards;
2. all other liquid fuels as available in the Joint Questionnaire IEA/OECD/EUROSTAT;
3. all coal data as available in the Joint Questionnaire IEA/OECD/EUROSTAT;
4. natural gas data as available in the Joint Questionnaire IEA/OECD/EUROSTAT;
5. waste production data;
6. biomass fuel data.

The following additional information is needed to complete table 1.A(b) of CRF and it is found in other sources:

- 1) Orimulsion, this fuel is mixed up with imported fuel oil (on the base of the energy content), the quantities used for electricity generation are reported by ENEL (ENEL, several years), the former electricity monopoly, presently the only user of this fuel, in their environmental report. This fuel is not used any more since 2004.
- 2) Motor oils and bitumen.
  - a) Data on those materials are mixed up in the no energy use by BEN, while detailed data are available in BPT (MSE, several years [b]). The quantities of those materials are quite relevant for the no energy use of oil.
  - b) In the BEN those materials are estimated in bulk with other products to have an energy content of about 5100 kcal/kg. Average OECD data are equal to 9000 kcal/kg for bitumen and 9800 kcal/kg for motor oils. In the CRF those products are estimated with the OECD energy content and this could explain part of the unbalance between imported oil and used products.

For further information see the paper by ENEA (ENEA, 2002 [b]) in Italian.

#### A4.2 Comparison of the sectoral approach with the reference approach

The detailed inventory contains sources not accounted for in the IPCC Reference Approach, as offshore flaring and well testing and non-fuel industrial processes, and so gives a higher estimate of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions.

First of all, the IPCC Reference total CO<sub>2</sub> can be compared with the CRF Table 1A total. Results show the IPCC Reference totals are between -1.3 and -4.1 percent with respect to the comparable ‘bottom up’ totals.

Differences are observed both for energy and emissions and especially for liquid fuels. Quality control activities have been done and a detail explanation of them will require specific meetings and additional verification activities with the energy experts responsible for the official communication of the energy statistics in order to make the transition to the new data format for the whole time series.

As above mentioned, sectoral approach considers sources not considered in the Reference approach, so negative differences occur between CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from reference approach and the sectoral one. The highest difference is observed for 2015.

Differences between emissions estimated by the reference and sectoral approach are reported in Table A4.1.

**Table A4.1 Reference and sectoral approach CO<sub>2</sub> emission estimates 1990-2019 (Mt) and percentage differences**

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Sectoral approach	405.1	417.5	440.6	470.2	411.5	343.2	340.5	335.0	331.0	321.6
Reference approach	396.5	408.3	423.3	457.5	401.5	329.0	330.8	327.2	317.7	312.3
Δ %	-2.15	-2.22	-3.92	-2.69	-2.43	-4.15	-2.84	-2.33	-4.01	-2.88

There are a number of reasons why the totals differ, and these arise from differences in the methodologies and the statistics used.

Explanations for the discrepancies:

1. The IPCC Reference Approach is based on statistics of production, imports, exports and stock changes of fuels whilst the ‘bottom-up’ approach uses fuel consumption data. The two sets of statistics can be related using mass balances (MSE, several years [a]), but these show that some fuel is unaccounted for. This fuel is reported under ‘statistical differences’ which consist of measurement errors and losses. A significant proportion of the discrepancy between the IPCC Reference approach and the ‘bottom up’ approach arises from these statistical differences particularly with liquid fuels.
2. In the power sector, in the detailed approach, statistics from producers are used, whereas for the reference approach the BEN data are used. The two data sets are not connected; in the BEN sections used, only the row data of imports-exports are contained. But if one considers the process of “balancing” the import – production data with the consumption ones and the differences between the two data sets, a sizable part of the discrepancy may be connected to this reason only. In addition, waste consumption data reported in the BEN were not such accurate from 1990 up to 2002 as the subsequent years.
3. The ‘bottom up’ approach only includes emissions from the no energy use of fuel where they can be specifically identified and estimated such as with fertilizer production and iron and steel production. The IPCC Reference approach implicitly treats the non-energy use of fuel as if it were combustion. A correction is then applied by deducting an estimate of carbon stored from non-energy fuel use. The carbon stored is estimated from an approximate procedure which does not identify specific processes. The result is that the IPCC Reference approach is based on a higher estimate of non-energy use emissions than the ‘bottom-up’ approach.

The IPCC Reference Approach uses data on primary fuels such as crude oil and natural gas liquids which are then corrected for imports, exports and stock changes of secondary fuels. Thus the estimates obtained will be highly dependent on the default carbon contents used for the primary fuels.

The ‘bottom-up’ approach is based wholly on the consumption of secondary fuels where the carbon contents are known with greater certainty. In particular the carbon contents of the primary liquid fuels are likely to vary more than those of secondary fuels. Carbon content of solid fuels and of natural gas is quite precisely accounted for.

In the submission 2013, in response to the review process, waste data for energy recovery have been included in the reference approach resulting in a decrease of the differences especially for the last years.

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### **A4.3 Comparison of the sectoral approach with the reference approach and international statistics**

A verification of national energy balance and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions with data communicated to the joint EUROSTAT/IEA/UNECE questionnaire was carried out in 2004 and results are reported in the document “Energy data harmonization for CO<sub>2</sub> emission calculations: the Italian case” (ENEA/MAP/APAT, 2004).

The analysis enhanced the main differences and the critical points to harmonize the data and their reporting. The most critical issues concerned the calorific value, EUROSTAT and MAP should apply the same calorific value; the distribution of fuel consumptions to the relevant sectors, e.g., in some cases EUROSTAT assigned “building materials industry” consumptions in “glass, pottery and building materials industry” consumptions, in other cases in “other industries”; the definition of coke, in particular, the distribution of consumptions between the iron and steel sector final consumption and transformation input; the definition of derived gases have to be harmonized, because differences in allocation of steelworks gases and gas from chemical processes were found.

In addition, “exchange and transfers, returns” and “statistical difference” rows were used in the national statistics to balance the energy resources with the energy uses whereas in the international statistics the two items, in some cases, were cancelled.

From 2004 some improvements were implemented both in the national and international statistics also through the revision of the questionnaire but difference in apparent consumptions still occur.

At European level, further examination is in progress. In the framework of the Monitoring Mechanism Decision jointly with EUROSTAT, a project which compares Eurostat energy data with energy data included in the CRF has been developed. The background of the project is the Energy Statistics Regulation (EC/1099/2008), which is the legal basis of the reporting of energy data to Eurostat, in particular Article 6, paragraph 2, of the regulation stipulating that: “Every reasonable effort shall be undertaken to ensure coherence between energy data declared in the energy statistics regulation, and data declared in accordance with Commission Decision No 280/2004/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning a mechanism for monitoring Community greenhouse gas emissions and for implementing the Kyoto Protocol”. Member States’ reference approach data as submitted in CRF Table 1A(b) under the EU GHG Monitoring Mechanism (as available by 15 May 2011) were compared with Eurostat energy data as available in the Eurostat database in April 2011. The comparison was carried out for the years 2009 and 2008. Specifically, for Italy, major discrepancies identified were only related to the consumption of refinery feedstocks which differs considerably between annual Eurostat data and the CRF: annual Eurostat consumption is 30% and 40% lower than the CRF for 2008 and 2009 respectively. The same issue was identified during the review process and corrected in the following submission. In terms of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions, for Italy the comparison results in a difference in total equal to 2% in 2009, with higher differences for solid and other fuels.

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## ANNEX 5: NATIONAL ENERGY BALANCE, YEAR 2019

The official national energy balance (BEN) from the year 1998 onwards is available, in Italian, on the website of the Italian Ministry of the Economic Development (MSE): <http://dgsaie.mise.gov.it/dgerm/ben.asp/>. At the same web address data communicated by Italy to the Joint Questionnaire OECD/IEA/EUROSTAT are available in the format revisited by EUROSTAT. Some differences between data communicated to the international organizations and EUROSTAT publication have been observed and are under investigation; they should mainly be due to the use of default instead of country specific energy conversion factors and different classification criteria of fuels.

From 2016, data submitted by the Ministry of Economic Development to the Joint Questionnaire IEA/OECD/EUROSTAT have been used for solid, liquid and gaseous fuel consumptions. At the time it was not possible to reconstruct the entire time series and data from national energy balance (BEN) have been also used; moreover the complete use of the energy data provided by the MSE to the Joint Questionnaire is planned in substitution, as possible, of the national energy balances. Some inconsistencies have been found in data communicated at Eurostat and referring to the ninety years, especially in the sectoral distribution of fuels; in these cases the information already available in the national energy balances has been maintained because of considered more reliable and consistent in the time series.

The national energy balance consists of two “sets” of tables fuel consumptions expressed in physical quantities (Gg or Mm<sup>3</sup>) and in energy equivalents (10<sup>9</sup> kcal). Energy data submitted to the international organisations are provided in different units according to the relevant formats. For example, natural gas data are provided in TJ calculated with the gross calorific values while liquid fuels are provided in thousand metric tons. In the annex, tables reproduce only figures expressed in amount of energy equivalents for the year 2019 (EUROSTAT, 2021).

In general, the reporting methodology of the national energy balance applies the same lower heat value to each primary fuel in various years, to take into account for the variable energy content of each shipment. This means, for example, that the primary fuel quantities of two shipments of imported coal are “adjusted” using their energy content as the main reference (see Table A5.1) and the value reported in physical unit is an “adjusted” quantity of Gg or Mm<sup>3</sup>. This process is routinely applied to most primary sources, including imported and nationally produced natural gas. For the final uses of energy, the same methodology is applied but it runs the other way: the physical quantities of energy vectors are the only values actually measured on the market and the energy content is actually estimated using fixed average estimates of lower heat value. Measurements of the actual energy content of fuels show minor variations from one year to another, especially for liquid fuels. In the case of natural gas, the use of a fixed heat value to summarize all transactions was particularly complicated because Italy used fuel from four main different sources: Russia, Netherlands, Algeria and national production. Since 2003-2004 Norway and Libya have also been added to the supply list. The big customers were actually billed according to the measured heat value of the natural gas delivered. After the end of the state monopoly on this market, the system changed. Since 2004, the price refers to the energy content of natural gas and the metered physical quantities of gas delivered to all final customers have been billed according to an energy content variable from site to site and from year to year. The BEN still tries to summarize all production and consumption using only one conventional heat value.

Therefore, the physical quantities are the most reliable data for the estimations of liquid fuels used in the civil and transportation sector. This information is used to calculate emissions, using updated data for the emission factors which are estimated from samples of marketed fuels.

**Table A5.1 – National Energy Balance, year 2019, ktoe**

SIEC	Total	Solid fossil fuels	Natural gas	Oil and petroleum products (excluding biofuel portion)	Renewables and biofuels	Industrial waste (non-renewable)	Non-renewable municipal waste	Non-renewable waste	Nuclear heat	Electricity	Heat
NRG_BAL/TIME	2019	2019	2019	2019	2019	2019	2019	2019	2019	2019	2019
Primary production	36,909.707	0.000	3,931.144	4,708.046	27,088.187	309.319	873.012	1,182.331	0.000	:	0.000
Recovered and recycled products	0.000	0.000	:	0.000	0.000	:	:	:	:	:	:
Imports	151,902.867	6,587.427	58,202.627	80,592.935	2,738.714	0.000	0.000	0.000	:	3,781.164	0.000
Exports	29,411.228	200.621	266.536	28,155.572	286.890	0.000	0.000	0.000	:	501.609	0.000
Change in stock	-1,314.979	93.565	-918.174	-462.415	-27.954	0.000	0.000	0.000	:	:	:
Gross available energy	158,086.367	6,480.370	60,949.061	56,682.993	29,512.057	309.319	873.012	1,182.331	0.000	3,279.556	0.000
International maritime bunkers	2,653.771	0.000	0.000	2,653.771	0.000	:	:	:	:	:	:
Gross inland consumption	155,432.595	6,480.370	60,949.061	54,029.222	29,512.057	309.319	873.012	1,182.331	0.000	3,279.556	0.000
International aviation	3,968.513	:	:	3,968.513	0.000	:	:	:	:	:	:
Total energy supply	151,464.082	6,480.370	60,949.061	50,060.708	29,512.057	309.319	873.012	1,182.331	0.000	3,279.556	0.000
Gross inland consumption (Europe 2020-2030)	152,934.135	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
Primary energy consumption (Europe 2020-2030)	145,894.046	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
Final energy consumption (Europe 2020-2030)	115,496.321	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
Transformation input - energy use	138,580.282	7,188.146	25,438.060	84,318.105	19,883.279	25.723	873.012	898.735	0.000	212.314	0.000
Transformation input - electricity and heat generation - energy use	53,787.109	4,334.695	25,438.060	3,710.104	18,551.558	25.723	873.012	898.735	0.000	212.314	0.000
Transformation input - electricity and heat generation - main activity producer electricity only - energy use	29,415.482	4,281.749	9,227.820	342.955	15,170.857	6.613	385.488	392.101	0.000	:	0.000
Transformation input - electricity and heat generation - main activity producer combined heat and power - energy use	18,000.997	43.354	11,682.344	2,745.082	3,018.378	9.689	469.615	479.304	0.000	:	0.000
Transformation input - electricity and heat generation - main activity producer heat only - energy use	413.479	0.000	258.540	4.769	150.170	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	:	0.000
Transformation input - electricity and heat generation - autoproducer electricity only - energy use	110.932	0.000	32.062	1.403	73.857	1.265	2.344	3.610	0.000	:	0.000
Transformation input - electricity and heat generation - autoproducer combined heat and power - energy use	5,633.904	9.592	4,237.294	615.895	138.296	8.156	15.565	23.721	0.000	:	0.000
Transformation input - electricity and heat generation - autoproducer heat only - energy use	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	:	0.000

Transformation input - electricity and heat generation - electrically driven heat pumps	0.000	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	0.000	:
Transformation input - electricity and heat generation - electric boilers	0.000	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	0.000	:
Transformation input - electricity and heat generation - electricity for pumped storage	212.314	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	212.314	:
Transformation input - electricity and heat generation - derived heat for electricity production	0.000	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:		0.000
Transformation input - coke ovens - energy use	1,641.733		1,641.733	0.000	0.000	0.000	:	:	:	:	:	:
Transformation input - blast furnaces - energy use	1,211.718		1,211.718	0.000	0.000	0.000	:	:	:	:	:	:
Transformation input - gas works - energy use	0.000		0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	:	:	:	:	:	:
Transformation input - refineries and petrochemical industry - energy use	80,608.001	:	:		80,608.001	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
Transformation input - refineries and petrochemical industry - refinery intake - energy use	74,286.945	:	:		74,286.945	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
Transformation input - refineries and petrochemical industry - backflows from petrochemical industry - energy use	1,871.178	:	:		1,871.178	0.000	:	:	:	:	:	:
Transformation input - refineries and petrochemical industry - products transferred - energy use	2,570.531	:	:		2,570.531	0.000	:	:	:	:	:	:
Transformation input - refineries and petrochemical industry - interproduct transfers - energy use	0.000	:	:		0.000	0.000	:	:	:	:	:	:
Transformation input - refineries and petrochemical industry - direct use - energy use	0.000	:	:		0.000	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
Transformation input - refineries and petrochemical industry - petrochemical industry intake - energy use	1,879.346	:	:		1,879.346	0.000	:	:	:	:	:	:
Transformation input - patent fuel plants - energy use	0.000		0.000		0.000	0.000		0.000		0.000		:
Transformation input - brown coal briquettes and peat briquettes plants - energy use	0.000		0.000			0.000		0.000		0.000		:
Transformation input - coal liquefaction plants - energy use	0.000		0.000									:

Transformation input - for blended natural gas - energy use	40.913	:	:	0.000	40.913	:	:	:	:	:	:
Transformation input - liquid biofuels blended - energy use	1,276.096	:	:	:	1,276.096	:	:	:	:	:	:
Transformation input - charcoal production plants - energy use	14.713	:	:	:	14.713	:	:	:	:	:	:
Transformation input - gas-to-liquids plants - energy use	0.000	:	0.000	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
Transformation input - not elsewhere specified - energy use	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	:	:	:
Transformation output	115,339.605	1,206.196	40.913	81,256.073	1,283.452	:	:	:	:	25,266.809	5,526.922
Transformation output - electricity and heat generation	30,793.731	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	25,266.809	5,526.922
Transformation output - electricity and heat generation - main activity producer electricity only	15,764.795	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	15,764.795	:
Transformation output - electricity and heat generation - main activity producer combined heat and power	10,717.548	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	7,380.645	3,336.903
Transformation output - electricity and heat generation - main activity producer heat only	346.700	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	346.700
Transformation output - electricity and heat generation - autoproducer electricity only	65.610	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	65.610	:
Transformation output - electricity and heat generation - autoproducer combined heat and power	3,685.420	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	1,842.101	1,843.319
Transformation output - electricity and heat generation - autoproducer heat only	0.000	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	0.000
Transformation output - electricity and heat generation - electrically driven heat pumps	0.000	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	0.000
Transformation output - electricity and heat generation - electric boilers	0.000	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	0.000
Transformation output - electricity and heat generation - pumped hydro	157.780	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	157.780	:
Transformation output - electricity and heat generation - other sources	55.878	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	55.878	0.000
Transformation output - coke ovens	1,519.733	1,206.196	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
Transformation output - blast furnaces	445.703	0.000	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
Transformation output - gas works	0.000	0.000	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
Transformation output - refineries and petrochemical industry	81,256.073	:	:	81,256.073	0.000	:	:	:	:	:	:

Transformation output - refineries and petrochemical industry - refinery output	75,006.999	:	:	75,006.999	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
Transformation output - refineries and petrochemical industry - backflows	1,815.796	:	:	1,815.796	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
Transformation output - refineries and petrochemical industry - products transferred	2,562.100	:	:	2,562.100	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
Transformation output - refineries and petrochemical industry - interproduct transfers	0.000	:	:	0.000	0.000	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
Transformation output - refineries and petrochemical industry - primary product receipts	0.000	:	:	0.000	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
Transformation output - refineries and petrochemical industry - petrochemical industry returns	1,871.178	:	:	1,871.178	0.000	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
Transformation output - patent fuel plants	0.000	0.000	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
Transformation output - brown coal briquettes and peat briquettes plants	0.000	0.000	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
Transformation output - coal liquefaction plants	0.000	:	:	0.000	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
Transformation output - blended in natural gas	40.913	:	40.913	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
Transformation output - liquid biofuels blended	1,276.096	:	:	:	1,276.096	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
Transformation output - charcoal production plants	7.356	:	:	:	7.356	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
Transformation output - gas-to-liquids plants	0.000	:	:	0.000	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
Transformation output - not elsewhere specified	0.000	0.000	:	0.000	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
Energy sector - energy use	7,493.973	48.404	1,532.919	3,033.420	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	:	1,700.260	1,170.763	
Energy sector - electricity and heat generation - energy use	855.503	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	:	851.518	3.985	
Energy sector - coal mines - energy use	20.557	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	:	20.557	0.000	
Energy sector - oil and natural gas extraction plants - energy use	304.105	:	288.737	0.000	0.000	:	:	:	:	14.415	0.954	
Energy sector - patent fuel plants - energy use	0.000	0.000	:	:	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	:	0.000	0.000	
Energy sector - coke ovens - energy use	69.195	48.404	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	:	3.780	8.803	
Energy sector - brown coal briquettes and peat briquettes plants - energy use	0.000	0.000	:	:	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	:	0.000	0.000	

Energy sector - gas works - energy use	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	:	0.000	0.000
Energy sector - blast furnaces - energy use	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	:	0.000	0.000
Energy sector - petroleum refineries (oil refineries) - energy use	5,375.055	0.000	1,117.901	3,033.420	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	:	515.088	708.647
Energy sector - nuclear industry - energy use	0.392	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	0.392	0.000
Energy sector - coal liquefaction plants - energy use	0.000	0.000	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	0.000	0.000
Energy sector - liquefaction and regasification plants (LNG) - energy use	99.388	:	99.388	:	:	:	:	:	:	0.000	0.000
Energy sector - gasification plants for biogas - energy use	0.000	:	:	:	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	:	0.000	0.000
Energy sector - gas-to-liquids plants - energy use	0.000	:	0.000	:	:	:	:	:	:	0.000	0.000
Energy sector - charcoal production plants - energy use	0.000	:	:	:	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	:	0.000	0.000
Energy sector - not elsewhere specified - energy use	769.778	0.000	26.893	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	:	294.510	448.375
Distribution losses	1,926.002	0.000	333.493	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	:	1,532.093	60.416
Available for final consumption	118,803.430	450.016	33,685.502	43,965.256	10,912.230	283.596	0.000	283.596	0.000	25,101.698	4,295.743
Final consumption - non-energy use	7,040.089	41.342	642.917	6,355.830	0.000	:	:	:	:	:	:
Transformation input, energy sector and final consumption in industry sector - non-energy use	6,778.254	0.000	642.917	6,135.337	0.000	:	:	:	:	:	:
Transformation input - non-energy use	0.000	:	:	0.000	0.000	:	:	:	:	:	:
Energy sector - non-energy use	0.000	:	:	0.000	0.000	:	:	:	:	:	:
Final consumption - industry sector - non-energy use	6,778.254	:	642.917	6,135.337	0.000	:	:	:	:	:	:
Final consumption - transport sector - non-energy use	220.493	0.000	0.000	220.493	0.000	:	:	:	:	:	:
Final consumption - other sectors - non-energy use	41.342	41.342	0.000	0.000	0.000	:	:	:	:	:	:
Final consumption - energy use	113,260.253	595.062	33,042.585	38,919.938	10,912.230	283.596	0.000	283.596	:	25,101.693	4,295.761
Final consumption - industry sector - energy use	24,131.151	595.062	8,540.577	1,755.827	423.531	283.596	0.000	283.596	:	10,148.991	2,274.179
Final consumption - industry sector - iron and steel - energy use	3,620.068	381.798	1,264.439	68.591	0.001	0.000	0.000	0.000	:	1,628.076	167.774
Final consumption - industry sector - chemical and petrochemical - energy use	3,073.998	0.678	931.448	327.360	6.806	81.323	0.000	81.323	:	1,174.688	551.694
Final consumption - industry sector - non-ferrous metals - energy use	663.459	27.764	396.648	62.704	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	:	175.055	1.289
Final consumption - industry sector - non-metallic minerals - energy use	4,199.651	172.256	2,016.146	826.705	134.084	163.372	0.000	163.372	:	748.744	138.345

Final consumption - industry sector - transport equipment - energy use	404.117	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	:	309.802	94.316
Final consumption - industry sector - machinery - energy use	3,501.501	0.000	1,325.213	222.801	2.849	2.732	0.000	2.732	:	1,865.871	82.035
Final consumption - industry sector - mining and quarrying - energy use	124.770	0.000	33.487	34.269	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	:	53.926	3.088
Final consumption - industry sector - food, beverages and tobacco - energy use	2,787.597	0.000	1,126.192	99.933	46.020	0.000	0.000	0.000	:	1,157.043	358.409
Final consumption - industry sector - paper, pulp and printing - energy use	2,057.755	0.000	617.293	33.791	0.407	0.000	0.000	0.000	:	747.967	658.296
Final consumption - industry sector - wood and wood products - energy use	484.120	0.000	28.009	0.000	158.241	3.749	0.000	3.749	:	267.509	26.611
Final consumption - industry sector - construction - energy use	427.251	0.000	210.391	18.396	1.696	0.000	0.000	0.000	:	173.798	22.969
Final consumption - industry sector - textile and leather - energy use	1,117.679	12.565	568.818	45.001	0.188	0.000	0.000	0.000	:	453.887	37.219
Final consumption - industry sector - not elsewhere specified - energy use	1,669.184	0.000	22.493	16.276	73.238	32.419	0.000	32.419	:	1,392.625	132.134
Final consumption - transport sector - energy use	35,861.202	0.000	1,147.309	32,445.375	1,276.119	0.000	0.000	0.000	:	992.399	:
Final consumption - transport sector - rail - energy use	520.953	0.000	:	43.752	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	:	477.201	:
Final consumption - transport sector - road - energy use	33,140.240	:	959.871	30,892.508	1,276.119	0.000	0.000	0.000	:	11.742	:
Final consumption - transport sector - domestic aviation - energy use	906.625	:	:	906.625	0.000	:	:	:	:	:	:
Final consumption - transport sector - domestic navigation - energy use	602.491	0.000	:	602.491	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	:	:	:
Final consumption - transport sector - pipeline transport - energy use	212.405	:	187.438	0.000	0.000	:	:	:	:	24.967	:
Final consumption - transport sector - not elsewhere specified - energy use	478.488	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	:	478.488	:
Final consumption - other sectors - energy use	53,267.900	0.000	23,354.699	4,718.736	9,212.580	0.000	0.000	0.000	:	13,960.304	2,021.581
Final consumption - other sectors - commercial and public services - energy use	18,656.742	0.000	7,086.366	520.727	2,617.552	0.000	0.000	0.000	:	7,800.339	631.758
Final consumption - other sectors - households - energy use	31,612.006	0.000	16,126.645	1,975.669	6,508.584	0.000	0.000	0.000	:	5,639.553	1,361.554
Final consumption - other sectors - agriculture and forestry - energy use	2,719.340	0.000	141.687	2,008.568	53.233	0.000	0.000	0.000	:	502.133	13.719
Final consumption - other sectors - fishing - energy use	209.459	0.000	0.000	157.969	33.210	0.000	0.000	0.000	:	18.280	0.000
Final consumption - other sectors - not elsewhere specified - energy use	70.352	0.000	0.000	55.802	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	:	0.000	14.550

Statistical differences	-1,496.913	-186.388	0.000	-1,310.512	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.005	-0.018
Gross electricity production	25,210.932	1,619.901	12,182.889	873.011	10,118.804	5.142	203.674	208.816	0.000	:	:
Gross electricity production - main activity producer electricity only	15,922.575	1,608.032	4,944.471	113.955	9,161.589	1.789	92.739	94.528	0.000	:	:
Gross electricity production - main activity producer combined heat and power	7,380.645	10.974	5,705.506	672.999	868.687	2.048	107.997	110.046	0.000	:	:
Gross electricity production - autoproducer electricity only	65.610	0.000	13.013	0.460	51.068	0.298	0.769	1.067	0.000	:	:
Gross electricity production - autoproducer combined heat and power	1,842.101	0.895	1,519.898	85.596	37.460	1.007	2.168	3.175	0.000	:	:
Gross heat production	5,526.922	45.429	3,548.514	681.886	1,000.064	8.632	131.804	140.436	0.000	0.000	:
Gross heat production - main activity producer combined heat and power	3,336.903	37.498	1,834.768	491.092	835.556	3.927	125.284	129.211	0.000	0.000	:
Gross heat production - main activity producer heat only	346.700	0.000	235.502	4.042	107.155	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	:
Gross heat production - autoproducer combined heat and power	1,843.319	7.931	1,478.244	186.751	57.353	4.706	6.519	11.225	0.000	0.000	:
Gross heat production - autoproducer heat only	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	:

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## ANNEX 6: NATIONAL EMISSION FACTORS

Monitoring of the carbon content of the fuels used nationally is an ongoing activity at ISPRA. The purpose is to analyse regularly the chemical composition of the used fuel or relevant commercial statistics to estimate the carbon content / emission factor (EF) of the fuels. For each primary fuel (natural gas, oil, coal) a specific procedure has been established.

Starting from 2021 submission the updated atomic weights of Carbon and Oxygen (NIST Chemistry WebBook, SRD 69 - National Institute of Standard and Technology, USA) have been used since 2005 (National Institute of Standard and Technology, USA) to convert carbon content to CO<sub>2</sub> content and viceversa.

### A6.1 Natural gas

The national market is characterized by the commercialisation of gases with different chemical composition in variable quantities from one year to the other. Since 1990 natural gas has been produced in Italy and imported by pipelines from Russia, Algeria and the Netherlands. Moreover, an NGL facility is importing gas from Algeria and Libya. From 2003-2004 onwards Norway and Libya have also been added to the supply list, through new pipeline connections, and from 2008 a new NGL facility has entered into service, using mainly liquefied gas from Oman. There are also sizeable underground storage facilities and additional pipelines/NGL facilities are planned.

The estimation of an average EF for natural gas is the only way to calculate total emissions from this source in Italy, because the origin of the gas used by final consumers can not be tracked through the national statistics and it is subject to variations during the year, according to supply. Only the main industrial installations perform routine checks to estimate the average chemical composition / energy content of natural gas used.

Another task connected to the use of natural gases of different origin and composition is linked to the estimation of an average content of methane to estimate fugitive emissions of this gas from the transmission / distribution network. Since the beginning of the inventory estimations, the average EF of the used gas in Italy has been estimated by the inventory team and it changes every year.

From 2008 in the energy balance, BEN 2008, (MSE, several years [a]) some modifications have occurred; a new average lower heat value has been derived from Eurostat methodology. This new conversion factor did imply a methodological revision to estimate the average national EF. Additionally, the IPCC 2006 guidelines, see table A6.1, contain important information to consider: the recognition of a certain variability of the EF for this source; the estimation of a lower and upper bound for the EFs; the link between energy content and EF; the statement that, by converting to energy units all EFs, their variability can be reduced. Moreover default oxidation factor is estimated to be equal to 1 (full oxidation) (IPCC, 2006).

Each of natural gases transmitted by the grid operator is regularly analysed at import gates, for budgetary reasons. Energy content for cubic meters, percentage of methane and other substances are calculated. For example, methane content can considerably vary: national produced gas sold to the grid is almost 99% methane (% moles), the one coming from Algeria has less than 85% of methane and significant quantities of propane-butane. Also carbon content varies significantly.

Natural gas properties are more stable referring to the country of origin, with small variations in chemical composition from year to year. Speciation of gas from each import manifold is regularly published by national transmission grid operator (Snam Rete Gas, several years). Other information is also available from the main final users (TERNA, several years).

So, for each year, the average methane and carbon content of the natural gas used in Italy are estimated, using international trade statistical data, and a national emission factor is estimated.

The list of factors for the years of interest is reported in Table A6.1.

As shown in the table, the ranges of national EFs are within the lower and upper threshold of the IPCC 2006 guidelines.

With regard the oxidation factors, increasing values have been used from 0.995 in the 1990 to 1.000 in 2005 according to the improvement of combustion efficiency in the nineties.

**Table A6.1 Natural gas carbon emission factors**

	t CO <sub>2</sub> / TJ (stoichiometric)	t CO <sub>2</sub> / TJ	t CO <sub>2</sub> / 10 <sup>3</sup> std cubic mt	t CO <sub>2</sub> / toe
Natural gas (dry) IPCC '96	55.820	55.820	1.928	2.337
Natural gas, IPCC '06 average	56.100	56.100	1.932	2.349
lower	54.300			
upper	58.300			
<b>National Emission Factors</b>				
Natural gas , 1990	56.103	55.822	1.935	2.337
Natural gas, 1995	56.236	55.955	1.947	2.343
Natural gas , 2000	56.415	56.258	1.955	2.355
Natural gas , 2001	56.337	56.212	1.946	2.353
Natural gas , 2002	56.914	56.819	1.985	2.379
Natural gas, 2003	56.483	56.420	1.974	2.362
Natural gas, 2004	56.450	56.418	1.973	2.362
Natural gas, 2005	56.475	56.475	1.978	2.365
Natural gas, 2006	56.553	56.553	1.979	2.368
Natural gas, 2007	56.444	56.444	1.976	2.363
Natural gas, 2008, with 8190 lhv	57.732	57.732	1.980	2.417
Natural gas, 2009, with 8190 lhv	57.914	57.914	1.986	2.425
Natural gas, 2010, with 8190 lhv	57.945	57.945	1.987	2.426
Natural gas, 2011, with 8190 lhv	57.427	57.427	1.969	2.404
Natural gas, 2012, with 8190 lhv	57.702	57.702	1.979	2.416
Natural gas, 2013, with 8190 lhv	57.447	57.447	1.970	2.405
Natural gas, 2014, with 8190 lhv	57.473	57.473	1.971	2.406
Natural gas, 2015, with 8190 lhv	57.633	57.633	1.976	2.413
Natural gas, 2016, with 8190 lhv	58.140	58.140	1.994	2.434
Natural gas, 2017, with 8190 lhv	58.000	58.000	1.989	2.428
Natural gas, 2018, with 8190 lhv	57.846	57.846	1.984	2.422
Natural gas, 2019, with 8190 lhv	57.632	57.632	1.976	2.413

Source: ISPRA elaborations

The methodology used to estimate the EF is based on the available data. Each year the quantities of natural gas imported or produced in Italy are published on the web by the MSE <http://dgerm.sviluppoeconomico.gov.it/dgerm/bilanciogas.asp>. Those data are produced by the national grid operator and are concerned on all imported gas by point of entrance in the country and all natural gas produced. To compare quantities of different gases, the physical quantities of imported/produced gas are normalized to a higher heat value (hhv) equal to 9100 kcal/m<sup>3</sup> and standard conditions. Other data input used in the estimation are the average chemical composition and the hhv of the gas at each import “gate” and for the national production. Those data are published by Snam in its yearly “Bilancio di Sostenibilità” (Snam Rete Gas, several years) and with them it is possible to estimate the average carbon content of the fuel. Those data are referred to the physical quantities of imported / produced gas.

So the total quantities of imported gas (normalized at the hhv of 9100) published by MSE are transformed back to the physical quantities of actually imported gas using the hhv ratio and then average carbon content of the total gas imported or produced in Italy can be estimated. Those data are then referred back to the normalized quantities of gas used in national statistics.

Data on final consumption of gas refers to the lower heat value (lhv). In particular the electricity production companies regularly estimate the actual lhv of the gas they are using and this figure is published yearly by TERNA. Operator’s data are used to verify the calculation results. Weighted average lhv of the imported and produced natural gas in 2016 is 8442 kcal/m<sup>3</sup>.

As mentioned above, in the BEN 2008 the average lhv has been changed from 8250 kcal/m<sup>3</sup> (historical value) to 8190 kcal/m<sup>3</sup>, to harmonize national data with Eurostat methodology. Eurostat considers the lhv as being 10% less than hhv, regardless of the actual value. This change influences the EF if it is referred to the energy content (lhv) of the fuel, but it has no influence if the EF is referred to cubic meters.

## A6.2 Diesel oil, petrol and LPG

ISPRA has made investigations on the carbon content of the main transportation fuels sold in Italy, petrol, diesel and LPG, with the aim of testing the average fuels in 2000 and 2012. The goal of this work is the verification of CO<sub>2</sub> emission factors of Italian energy system, with a particular focus on the transportation sector. The results of analysis of fuel samples performed by “Stazione Sperimentale Combustibili” (APAT, 2003; Innovhub, several years) were compared with emission factors used in Reference Approach of the Intergovernmental Panel for Climate Change (IPCC, 1997; IPCC, 2006) and emission factors considered in the COPERT 4 programme (EMISIA SA, 2012).

These two methodologies are widely used to prepare data at the international level but, when applied to the Italian data set produce results with significant differences, around 2- 4%. The reason has been traced back to the emission factors that are referred to the energy content of the fuel for IPCC and to the physical quantities for the COPERT methodology.

The results of the study link the chemical composition of the fuel to the l<sub>h<sub>v</sub></sub> for a series of fuels representative of the national production in the years 2000-2001 and 2012-2014, allowing for more precise evaluations of the emission factors.

IPCC 1996 emission factors for diesel fuels and IPCC-Europe for LPG are almost identical to the experimental results (less than 1% difference), and it has been decided to use IPCC emission factors for the period 1990-1999 and the measured EF from the year 2000 onwards to 2011. The figures from the last surveys have been used for the years 2012-2016.

Concerning petrol, instead, IPCC 1996 emission factors is quite low and it has to be updated, the reason may be linked to the extensive use of additives in recent years to reach a high octane number after the lead has been phased out. For 2000 and the following years the experimental factor are used, for the period 1990-1999 it has been decided to use an interpolate factor between IPCC emission factors and the measured value, using the l<sub>h<sub>v</sub></sub> as the link between the national products and the international database.

The list of emission factors used is reported in Table A6.2.

**Table A6.2 Fuels, national production, carbon emission factors**

	t CO <sub>2</sub> / TJ	t CO <sub>2</sub> / t	t CO <sub>2</sub> / toe
Petrol, IPCC / OECD	68.559	3.071	2.870
Petrol, IPCC Europe	72.270	3.148	3.026
Petrol (Italian National Energy Balance), interpolated emission factor 1990-1999	71.034	3.123	2.974
Petrol, experimental averages 2000-2011	71.864	3.143	3.009
Petrol, experimental averages 2012-2016	73.338	3.140	3.071
Gas oil, IPCC / OECD	73.274	3.175	3.068
Gas oil, IPCC Europe	73.260	3.108	3.067
Gas oil, 1990 – 1999	73.274	3.129	3.068
Gas oil, engines, experimental averages 2000-2011	73.892	3.171	3.094
Gas oil, engines, experimental averages 2012-2016	73.648	3.151	3.084
Gas oil, heating, experimental averages 2000-2011	74.438	3.175	3.117
Gas oil, heating, experimental averages 2012-2016	73.578	3.155	3.081
LPG, IPCC / OECD	62.392	2.952	2.612
LPG, IPCC / Europe	64.350	3.000	2.694
LPG, 1990 – 1999	62.392	2.873	2.612
LPG, experimental averages 2000-2016	65.592	3.026	2.746

Source: ISPRA elaborations

### A6.3 Fuel oil

The main information available nationally of fuel oil EF is a sizable difference in carbon content between high sulphur and light sulphur brands. The data were elaborated from literature and from an extensive series of samples (more than 400) analysed by ENEL and made available to ISPRA. Carbon content varies to a certain extent also between the medium sulphur content and the very low sulphur products, but the main discrepancies refer to the high sulphur type. According to the available statistical data, it was possible to trace back to the year 1990 the produced and imported quantities of fuel oil divided between high and low sulphur products and to estimate the average carbon emission factor for the years of interest, see Table A6.3 for details.

**Table A6.3 Fuel oil, average of national and imported products, carbon emission factors**

	t CO <sub>2</sub> / TJ (stechiometric)	t CO <sub>2</sub> / TJ	t CO <sub>2</sub> / t	t CO <sub>2</sub> / toe
Fuel oil , IPCC, 1996	77.400	76.626	3.154	3.208
Fuel oil , IPCC, 2006 average	77.400	77.400	3.127	3.241
lower	75.500			
upper	78.800			
<b>National emission factors</b>				
Fuel oil, average 1990	77.339	76.565	3.113	3.206
Fuel oil, average 1995	77.425	76.650	3.129	3.209
Fuel oil, average 2000	76.665	76.239	3.140	3.192
Fuel oil, average 2001	76.655	76.315	3.141	3.195
Fuel oil, average 2002	76.709	76.454	3.148	3.201
Fuel oil, average 2003	76.921	76.750	3.158	3.213
Fuel oil, average 2004	76.939	76.853	3.162	3.218
Fuel oil, average 2005	75.877	75.877	3.144	3.177
Fuel oil, average 2006	75.955	75.955	3.144	3.180
Fuel oil, average 2007	76.328	76.328	3.147	3.196
Fuel oil, average 2008	76.682	76.682	3.145	3.211
Fuel oil, average 2009	76.635	76.635	3.145	3.209
Fuel oil, average 2010	76.865	76.865	3.145	3.218
Fuel oil, average 2011	77.063	77.063	3.147	3.226
Fuel oil, average 2012	76.507	76.507	3.145	3.203
Fuel oil, average 2013	76.695	76.695	3.145	3.211
Fuel oil, average 2014	76.698	76.698	3.145	3.211
Fuel oil, average 2015	76.606	76.606	3.144	3.207
Fuel oil, average 2016	76.606	76.606	3.144	3.207
Fuel oil, average 2017	76.690	76.690	3.144	3.211
Fuel oil, average 2018	76.692	76.692	3.144	3.211
Fuel oil, average 2019	76.594	76.594	3.143	3.207

Source: ISPRA elaborations

Data for all years are within IPCC 2006 ranges, but it can be noticed that are on the lower side from year 2000 onwards. The change from an average to a low EF is due to the harmful emissions limits and fuel regulations introduced in Italy between 1990 and 2000. Most of the fuel used from 2000 onwards is not heavy, high sulphur, fuel oil but light type, low sulphur. With regard the oxidation factors, increasing values have been used from 0.99 in the 1990 to 1.00 in 2005 according to the improvement of combustion efficiency in the nineties.

### A6.4 Coal

Italy has only negligible national production of coal; most part is imported from various countries and there are differences in carbon content of coal mined in different parts of the world. The variations in carbon content can be linked to the hydrogen content and to the LHV of the coal.

An additional national circumstance refers to the absence of long term import contracts. The quantities shipped by the main exporters change considerably from year to year. Detailed data are available in BPT (MSE, several years [b]) supplied from the Ministry of Economic Development and reported for 2016 in Table A6.4.

**Table A6.4 – Coal imported by country in 2019 (Mg)**

Country	Coaking coal	Coke	Anthracite	Steam coal	Lignite	Total Coal	Tar	Petroleum coke
CZECH REPUBLIC	2,226					2,226		
GERMANY	149,664				1,470.00	151,134		
GREECE						0		10,500.00
POLAND	347,547					347,547		
ROMANIA						0		4,915.00
SLOVAKIA			1,846			1,846		
SPAIN				283,386		283,386		5,250.00
<b>TOTAL EU</b>	<b>499,437</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,846</b>	<b>283,386</b>	<b>1,470</b>	<b>786,139</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>20,665</b>
AUSTRALIA		498,333				498,333		
CANADA		205,931				205,931		
COLOMBIA	31,567			1,754,223		1,785,790		
CHINA	46,629					46,629	414.00	
INDONESIA				58,639		58,639		
KAZAKISTAN				513,254		513,254		
RUSSIA		40,193	109,057	4,303,432		4,452,682		56.54
SOUTH AFRICA	4,003			71,516		75,519		
U.S.A.		1,506,587		895,946		2,402,533		1,031,842
VENEZUELA				66,351		66,351		
<b>TOTAL NON_EU</b>	<b>82,199</b>	<b>2,251,045</b>	<b>109,057</b>	<b>7,663,361</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>10,105,662</b>	<b>414</b>	<b>1,031,898</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>581,636</b>	<b>2,251,045</b>	<b>110,902</b>	<b>7,946,747</b>	<b>1,470</b>	<b>10,891,800</b>	<b>414</b>	<b>1,052,563</b>

Source: MSE, several years [b]

Therefore an attempt was made to find out a methodology allowing for a more precise estimation of the carbon content of this fuel. It is possible, using literature data for the coals and detailed statistical records of international trade, to find out the weighted average of carbon content and of the LHV of the fuel imported to Italy each year. The still unresolved problem is how to properly link statistical data, referred to the coal “as it is” without specifying moisture and ash content of the product, to the literature data, referring to sample coals. The intention is to improve the quality of the collected statistical data including moisture content of coals; currently this obstacle has been overcome with the following procedure:

- using an ample set of experimental data on coals imported in a couple of years on an extensive series of samples, more than 200, analysed by ENEL (the main electricity producing company in Italy) it was possible to correlate “as it is” LHV and carbon content to the average properties of the coals imported in the same period of time and calculated from literature data (EMEP/CORINAIR, 2007);
- for each inventory year, it was possible to calculate the weighted average of LHV and carbon content of imported coals using available literature data;
- using this calculated data and the correlation found out, the estimate of carbon content of the average “as it is” coal reported in the statistics was possible.

Using this methodology and the available statistical data, it was possible to trace back to the year 1990 the average LHV of the imported coal and estimate average carbon EF for each year, see Table A6.4 for detailed data. The results do not show impressive changes yearly; anyway a noticeable difference in the emission factor is highlighted in the table. In Table A6.5 updated coal EFs are reported. National emission factors result in the range given by the lower and upper values for “other bituminous coal” in the IPCC 2006 Guidelines (IPCC, 2006).

From the 2011 submission, with the aim to improve the estimation of the coal CO<sub>2</sub> emission factors an in depth analysis of data reported in the framework of the European emissions trading scheme has been carried out. In consideration that these data referring to emission factors and activity data are validated and the amount of fuel reported accounts for more than 90% of the national coal fuel consumption, the average coal CO<sub>2</sub> emission factors, resulting from ETS data, have been applied from 2005.

With regard the oxidation factors, increasing values have been used from 0.98 in the 1990 to 1.00 in 2005 according to the improvement of combustion efficiency in the nineties.

**Table A6.5 – Coal, average carbon emission factors**

	t CO <sub>2</sub> / TJ (stochiometric)	t CO <sub>2</sub> / TJ	t CO <sub>2</sub> / t	t CO <sub>2</sub> / toe
Other bituminous coal, IPCC 1996	94.600	92.708	2.427	3.881
Other Bituminous coal, IPCC 2006, av lower	94.600	94.600	2.441	3.961
upper	89.500			
upper	99.700			
<b>National emission factors</b>				
Steam coal, 1990	96.512	94.582	2.502	3.960
Steam coal, 1995	95.926	94.007	2.519	3.936
Steam coal, 2000	93.312	92.276	2.427	3.863
Steam coal, 2001	95.304	94.457	2.463	3.955
Steam coal, 2002	94.727	94.096	2.457	3.940
Steam coal, 2003	95.385	94.961	2.476	3.976
Steam coal, 2004	95.382	95.170	2.476	3.985
Steam coal, 2005	94.305	94.305	2.399	3.948
Steam coal, 2006	93.741	93.741	2.346	3.925
Steam coal, 2007	94.078	94.078	2.324	3.939
Steam coal, 2008	93.451	93.451	2.287	3.913
Steam coal, 2009	93.847	93.847	2.325	3.929
Steam coal, 2010	93.697	93.697	2.317	3.923
Steam coal, 2011	93.365	93.365	2.318	3.909
Steam coal, 2012	93.667	93.667	2.346	3.922
Steam coal, 2013	93.645	93.645	2.331	3.921
Steam coal, 2014	94.029	94.029	2.339	3.937
Steam coal, 2015	94.619	94.619	2.335	3.962
Steam coal, 2016	95.092	95.092	2.350	3.981
Steam coal, 2017	93.886	93.886	2.361	3.931
Steam coal, 2018	94.340	94.340	2.345	3.950
Steam coal, 2019	95.278	95.278	2.375	3.989

Source: ISPRA elaborations

### A6.5 Other fuels

Country specific emission factors have been calculated for other fuels and included in the inventory on account of the analysis of data reported by plants in the framework of the European emissions trading scheme. In consideration that these data referring to emission factors and activity data are validated and the amount of fuels reported accounts for more than 90% of the national fuels consumption, the average CO<sub>2</sub> emission factors have been applied from 2005.

In the following, values of CO<sub>2</sub> emission factors are specified for the different fuels. From 2005, figures result from a weighted average of ETS data; before that period, emission factors derive from literature data or other national data collection.

Oxidation factors have been considered equal to 1 for all the fuels (IPCC, 2006) with exception of residual gases of chemical processes where the oxidation factors resulting from ETS data have been used.

**Table A6.6 – Refinery gas, average carbon emission factors**

<i>Refinery gas</i>	t CO <sub>2</sub> / TJ (stoichiometric)	t CO <sub>2</sub> / TJ	t CO <sub>2</sub> / t	t CO <sub>2</sub> / toe
Refinery gas, 1990-2004	57.600	57.600	2.851	2.412
Refinery gas, 2005	58.320	58.320	2.756	2.442
Refinery gas, 2006	57.369	57.369	2.644	2.402
Refinery gas, 2007	57.110	57.110	2.645	2.391
Refinery gas, 2008	58.137	58.137	2.686	2.434
Refinery gas, 2009	57.477	57.477	2.673	2.406
Refinery gas, 2010	56.750	56.750	2.652	2.376
Refinery gas, 2011	57.291	57.291	2.689	2.399
Refinery gas, 2012	57.269	57.269	2.701	2.398
Refinery gas, 2013	57.447	57.447	2.649	2.405
Refinery gas, 2014	57.095	57.095	2.634	2.390
Refinery gas, 2015	56.865	56.865	2.653	2.381
Refinery gas, 2016	58.210	58.210	2.652	2.437
Refinery gas, 2017	58.110	58.110	2.644	2.433
Refinery gas, 2018	58.307	58.307	2.657	2.441
Refinery gas, 2019	56.465	56.465	2.660	2.364

Source: ISPRA elaborations

**Table A6.7 – Coke oven gas, average carbon emission factors**

<i>Coke oven gas</i>	t CO <sub>2</sub> / TJ (stoichiometric)	t CO <sub>2</sub> / TJ	t CO <sub>2</sub> / 10 <sup>3</sup> std cubic mt	t CO <sub>2</sub> / toe
Coke oven gas, 1990-2004	42.111	42.111	0.807	1.763
Coke oven gas, 2005	42.128	42.128	0.754	1.764
Coke oven gas, 2006	42.678	42.678	0.743	1.787
Coke oven gas, 2007	42.416	42.416	0.714	1.776
Coke oven gas, 2008	42.250	42.250	0.733	1.769
Coke oven gas, 2009	42.980	42.980	0.748	1.799
Coke oven gas, 2010	42.816	42.816	0.735	1.793
Coke oven gas, 2011	43.328	43.328	0.746	1.814
Coke oven gas, 2012	44.046	44.046	0.773	1.844
Coke oven gas, 2013	42.861	42.861	0.760	1.794
Coke oven gas, 2014	43.767	43.767	0.775	1.832
Coke oven gas, 2015	43.314	43.314	0.751	1.813
Coke oven gas, 2016	43.700	43.700	0.758	1.830
Coke oven gas, 2017	43.877	43.877	0.758	1.837
Coke oven gas, 2018	44.008	44.008	0.763	1.843
Coke oven gas, 2019	44.820	44.820	0.792	1.877

Source: ISPRA elaborations

**Table A6.8 – Blast furnace gas, average carbon emission factors**

<i>Blast furnace gas</i>	t CO <sub>2</sub> / TJ (stoichiometric)	t CO <sub>2</sub> / TJ	t CO <sub>2</sub> / 10 <sup>3</sup> std cubic mt	t CO <sub>2</sub> / toe
Blast furnace gas, 1990-2004	270.575	270.575	0.954	11.328
Blast furnace gas, 2005	263.653	263.653	0.870	11.039
Blast furnace gas, 2006	255.948	255.948	0.849	10.716
Blast furnace gas, 2007	261.469	261.469	0.835	10.947
Blast furnace gas, 2008	256.133	256.133	0.838	10.724
Blast furnace gas, 2009	259.560	259.560	0.834	10.867
Blast furnace gas, 2010	257.390	257.390	0.863	10.776
Blast furnace gas, 2011	255.351	255.351	0.877	10.691
Blast furnace gas, 2012	252.808	252.808	0.885	10.585
Blast furnace gas, 2013	251.428	251.428	0.929	10.527
Blast furnace gas, 2014	245.964	245.964	0.958	10.298
Blast furnace gas, 2015	250.072	250.072	0.931	10.470
Blast furnace gas, 2016	247.893	247.893	0.952	10.379

<i>Blast furnace gas</i>	t CO <sub>2</sub> / TJ (stoichiometric)	t CO <sub>2</sub> / TJ	t CO <sub>2</sub> / 10 <sup>3</sup> std cubic mt	t CO <sub>2</sub> / toe
Blast furnace gas, 2017	249.927	249.927	0.877	10.464
Blast furnace gas, 2018	250.282	250.282	0.862	10.479
Blast furnace gas, 2019	249.335	249.335	0.877	10.439

Source: ISPRA elaborations

**Table A6.9 – Oxygen furnace gas, average carbon emission factors**

<i>Oxygen furnace gas</i>	t CO <sub>2</sub> / TJ (stoichiometric)	t CO <sub>2</sub> / TJ	t CO <sub>2</sub> / 10 <sup>3</sup> std cubic mt	t CO <sub>2</sub> / toe
Oxygen furnace gas, 1990-2004	195.086	195.086	1.504	8.168
Oxygen furnace gas, 2005	197.579	197.579	1.437	8.272
Oxygen furnace gas, 2006	202.372	202.372	1.390	8.473
Oxygen furnace gas, 2007	195.871	195.871	1.320	8.201
Oxygen furnace gas, 2008	196.465	196.465	1.277	8.226
Oxygen furnace gas, 2009	196.970	196.970	1.253	8.247
Oxygen furnace gas, 2010	197.029	197.029	1.216	8.249
Oxygen furnace gas, 2011	198.482	198.482	1.160	8.310
Oxygen furnace gas, 2012	198.199	198.199	1.226	8.298
Oxygen furnace gas, 2013	185.522	185.522	1.068	7.767
Oxygen furnace gas, 2014	200.970	200.970	1.335	8.414
Oxygen furnace gas, 2015	201.532	201.532	1.351	8.438
Oxygen furnace gas, 2016	203.868	203.868	1.309	8.536
Oxygen furnace gas, 2017	199.257	199.257	1.305	8.343
Oxygen furnace gas, 2018	192.862	192.862	1.353	8.075
Oxygen furnace gas, 2019	194.622	194.622	1.387	8.148

Source: ISPRA elaborations

**Table A6.10 – Heavy residual fuels, average carbon emission factors**

<i>Heavy residual fuels</i>	t CO <sub>2</sub> / TJ (stoichiometric)	t CO <sub>2</sub> / TJ	t CO <sub>2</sub> / t	t CO <sub>2</sub> / toe
Heavy residual fuels, 1999-2006	81.817	81.817	3.213	3.426
Heavy residual fuels, 2007	81.823	81.823	3.214	3.426
Heavy residual fuels, 2008	80.350	80.350	3.156	3.364
Heavy residual fuels, 2009	79.612	79.612	3.125	3.333
Heavy residual fuels, 2010	79.036	79.036	3.108	3.309
Heavy residual fuels, 2011	79.160	79.160	3.091	3.314
Heavy residual fuels, 2012	79.359	79.359	3.098	3.323
Heavy residual fuels, 2013	80.756	80.756	3.145	3.381
Heavy residual fuels, 2014	80.499	80.499	3.135	3.370
Heavy residual fuels, 2015	79.738	79.738	3.105	3.338
Heavy residual fuels, 2016	79.700	79.700	3.104	3.337
Heavy residual fuels, 2017	80.104	80.104	3.120	3.354
Heavy residual fuels, 2018	79.824	79.824	3.109	3.342
Heavy residual fuels, 2019	79.929	79.929	3.113	3.346

Source: ISPRA elaborations

**Table A6.11 – Synthesis gas, average carbon emission factors**

<i>Synthesis gas</i>	t CO <sub>2</sub> / TJ (stoichiometric)	t CO <sub>2</sub> / TJ	t CO <sub>2</sub> / t	t CO <sub>2</sub> / toe
Synthesis gas, 1999-2005	98.103	98.103	0.906	4.107
Synthesis gas, 2006	98.566	98.566	0.982	4.127
Synthesis gas, 2007	98.321	98.321	0.830	4.117
Synthesis gas, 2008	98.860	98.860	0.886	4.139
Synthesis gas, 2009	105.956	105.956	0.956	4.436
Synthesis gas, 2010	110.487	110.487	0.910	4.626
Synthesis gas, 2011	109.188	109.188	0.915	4.571
Synthesis gas, 2012	106.913	106.913	0.881	4.476

Synthesis gas, 2013	100.817	100.817	0.895	4.221
Synthesis gas, 2014	100.596	100.596	0.898	4.212
Synthesis gas, 2015	100.732	100.732	0.930	4.217
Synthesis gas, 2016	103.993	103.993	0.929	4.354
Synthesis gas, 2017	103.043	103.043	0.983	4.314
Synthesis gas, 2018	109.145	109.145	1.009	4.570
Synthesis gas, 2019	104.034	104.034	0.948	4.356

Source: ISPRA elaborations

**Table A6.12 – Residual gas of chemical processes, average carbon emission factors**

<i>Residual gas of chemical processes</i>	t CO <sub>2</sub> / TJ (stoichiometric)	Oxidation factor	t CO <sub>2</sub> / TJ	t CO <sub>2</sub> / t	t CO <sub>2</sub> / toe
Residuals gas of chem. processes, 1990-2007	51.500	0.995	51.243	2.365	2.145
Residuals gas of chem. processes, 2008	51.308	0.995	51.052	2.505	2.137
Residuals gas of chem. processes, 2009	50.588	0.995	50.342	2.502	2.108
Residuals gas of chem. processes, 2010	50.361	0.996	50.151	2.295	2.100
Residuals gas of chem. processes, 2011	50.610	0.995	50.379	2.514	2.109
Residuals gas of chem. processes, 2012	51.246	0.996	51.016	2.252	2.136
Residuals gas of chem. processes, 2013	47.524	1.000	47.524	2.073	1.990
Residuals gas of chem. processes, 2014	42.961	1.000	42.961	2.012	1.799
Residuals gas of chem. processes, 2015	47.850	1.000	47.850	2.165	2.003
Residuals gas of chem. processes, 2016	47.368	1.000	47.368	1.791	1.983
Residuals gas of chem. processes, 2017	47.594	1.000	47.594	1.726	1.993
Residuals gas of chem. processes, 2018	47.279	1.000	47.279	1.764	1.979
Residuals gas of chem. processes, 2019	52.316	1.000	52.316	1.705	2.190

Source: ISPRA elaborations

**Table A6.13 – Petroleum coke for no refinery plants, average carbon emission factors**

<i>Petroleum coke</i>	t CO <sub>2</sub> / TJ (stoichiometric)	t CO <sub>2</sub> / TJ	t CO <sub>2</sub> / t	t CO <sub>2</sub> / toe
Petroleum coke, 1990-2004	97.500	97.500	3.169	4.082
Petroleum coke, 2005	92.957	92.957	3.097	3.892
Petroleum coke, 2006	93.295	93.295	3.125	3.906
Petroleum coke, 2007	93.427	93.427	3.193	3.912
Petroleum coke, 2008	93.525	93.525	3.203	3.916
Petroleum coke, 2009	94.106	94.106	3.227	3.940
Petroleum coke, 2010	93.679	93.679	3.160	3.922
Petroleum coke, 2011	93.715	93.715	3.219	3.924
Petroleum coke, 2012	93.303	93.303	3.207	3.906
Petroleum coke, 2013	93.178	93.178	3.128	3.901
Petroleum coke, 2014	93.513	93.513	3.122	3.915
Petroleum coke, 2015	93.771	93.771	3.132	3.926
Petroleum coke, 2016	93.459	93.459	3.121	3.913
Petroleum coke, 2017	93.465	93.465	3.129	3.913
Petroleum coke, 2018	93.680	93.680	3.122	3.922
Petroleum coke, 2019	93.498	93.498	3.117	3.915

Source: ISPRA elaborations

**Table A6.14 – Petroleum coke for refinery plants, average carbon emission factors**

<i>Petroleum coke</i>	t CO <sub>2</sub> / TJ (stoichiometric)	t CO <sub>2</sub> / TJ	t CO <sub>2</sub> / t	t CO <sub>2</sub> / toe
Petroleum coke, 2010	100.684	100.684	3.428	4.215
Petroleum coke, 2011	99.331	99.331	3.413	4.159
Petroleum coke, 2012	100.081	100.081	3.435	4.190
Petroleum coke, 2013	99.336	99.336	3.415	4.159
Petroleum coke, 2014	95.879	95.879	3.400	4.014
Petroleum coke, 2015	96.778	96.778	3.432	4.052
Petroleum coke, 2016	101.995	101.995	3.416	4.270
Petroleum coke, 2017	96.734	96.734	3.430	4.050

Petroleum coke, 2018	97.295	97.295	3.422	4.074
Petroleum coke, 2019	96.929	96.929	3.437	4.058

Source: ISPRA elaborations

**Table A6.15 –Coke, average carbon emission factors**

<i>Coke</i>	t CO <sub>2</sub> / TJ (stoichiometric)	t CO <sub>2</sub> / TJ	t CO <sub>2</sub> / t	t CO <sub>2</sub> / toe
Coke, 1990-2004	110.368	108.161	3.170	4.528
Coke, 2005	110.916	110.916	3.246	4.644
Coke, 2006	111.049	111.049	3.181	4.649
Coke, 2007	111.814	111.814	3.191	4.681
Coke, 2008	111.649	111.649	3.187	4.675
Coke, 2009	111.303	111.303	3.161	4.660
Coke, 2010	109.079	109.079	3.125	4.567
Coke, 2011	110.380	110.380	3.188	4.621
Coke, 2012	112.969	112.969	3.309	4.730
Coke, 2013	111.113	111.113	3.172	4.652
Coke, 2014	109.195	109.195	3.198	4.572
Coke, 2015	109.728	109.728	3.206	4.594
Coke, 2016	109.533	109.533	3.217	4.586
Coke, 2017	108.755	108.755	3.237	4.553
Coke, 2018	108.864	108.864	3.218	4.558
Coke, 2019	108.590	108.590	3.169	4.546

Source: ISPRA elaborations

**Table A6.16 –Coking coal, average carbon emission factors**

<i>Coking coal</i>	t CO <sub>2</sub> / TJ (stoichiometric)	t CO <sub>2</sub> / TJ	t CO <sub>2</sub> / t	t CO <sub>2</sub> / toe
Coking coal, 1990-2004	94.600	94.600	2.668	3.961
Coking coal, 2005	92.466	92.466	2.971	3.871
Coking coal, 2006	94.058	94.058	2.968	3.938
Coking coal, 2007	94.479	94.479	2.971	3.956
Coking coal, 2008	94.869	94.869	2.961	3.972
Coking coal, 2009	94.718	94.718	2.970	3.966
Coking coal, 2010	94.627	94.627	3.007	3.962
Coking coal, 2011	95.459	95.459	2.999	3.997
Coking coal, 2012	95.380	95.380	3.014	3.993
Coking coal, 2013	94.381	94.381	2.982	3.952
Coking coal, 2014	93.983	93.983	2.991	3.935
Coking coal, 2015	94.457	94.457	2.995	3.955
Coking coal, 2016	94.171	94.171	2.967	3.943
Coking coal, 2017	94.004	94.004	2.967	3.936
Coking coal, 2018	95.361	95.361	2.974	3.993
Coking coal, 2019	94.676	94.676	2.948	3.964

Source: ISPRA elaborations

**Table A6.17 –Anthracite, average carbon emission factors**

<i>Anthracite</i>	t CO <sub>2</sub> / TJ (stoichiometric)	t CO <sub>2</sub> / TJ	t CO <sub>2</sub> / t	t CO <sub>2</sub> / toe
Anthracite, 1990-2004	98.300	98.300	2.625	4.116
Anthracite, 2005	93.035	93.035	2.856	3.895
Anthracite, 2006	95.127	95.127	2.817	3.983
Anthracite, 2007	97.722	97.722	2.796	4.091
Anthracite, 2008	97.183	97.183	2.764	4.069
Anthracite, 2009	98.335	98.335	2.861	4.117
Anthracite, 2010	97.416	97.416	2.844	4.079
Anthracite, 2011	99.465	99.465	2.911	4.164
Anthracite, 2012	98.717	98.717	2.870	4.133
Anthracite, 2013	98.348	98.348	2.886	4.118
Anthracite, 2014	97.960	97.960	2.877	4.101
Anthracite, 2015	101.373	101.373	2.906	4.244
Anthracite, 2016	101.630	101.630	2.924	4.255
Anthracite, 2017	103.107	103.107	3.027	4.317
Anthracite, 2018	100.405	100.405	3.005	4.204
Anthracite, 2019	105.114	105.114	3.033	4.401

Source: ISPRA elaborations

**Table A6.18 –Industrial waste (fossil), average carbon emission factors**

<i>Industrial waste</i>	t CO <sub>2</sub> / TJ (stoichiometric)	t CO <sub>2</sub> / TJ	t CO <sub>2</sub> / t	t CO <sub>2</sub> / toe
Industrial waste, 2005-2012	79.968	79.968	1.924	3.348
Industrial waste, 2013	79.076	79.076	1.853	3.311
Industrial waste, 2014	81.851	81.851	1.931	3.427
Industrial waste, 2015	78.976	78.976	1.988	3.307
Industrial waste, 2016	78.592	78.592	2.019	3.291
Industrial waste, 2017	82.164	82.164	2.090	3.440
Industrial waste, 2018	80.019	80.019	2.034	3.350
Industrial waste, 2019				

Source: ISPRA elaboration

## ANNEX 7: AGRICULTURE SECTOR

Additional information used for estimating categories 3A, 3B and 3D from the agriculture sector is reported in this section.

### A7.1 Enteric fermentation (3A)

The time series of the parameters used for estimating the Dairy Cattle EF using the Tier 2 approach, are reported in Table A.7.1. Information on the equations used for estimating the different net energy (NE<sub>m</sub>, NE<sub>g</sub>, etc.) is described in the 2006 IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006).

**Table A.7.1 Parameters used for the Tier 2 approach - dairy cattle**

	NE <sub>m</sub> (MJ/day)	NE <sub>a</sub> (MJ/day)	NE <sub>g</sub> (MJ/day)	NE <sub>l</sub> (MJ/day)	NE <sub>w</sub> (MJ/day)	NE <sub>p</sub> (MJ/day)	REM	REG	GE (MJ/day)
<b>1990</b>	46.95	0.40	0.97	33.52	0.00	4.57	0.51	0.31	<b>260.66</b>
<b>1995</b>	46.95	0.40	0.97	43.38	0.00	4.45	0.51	0.31	<b>289.83</b>
<b>2000</b>	46.95	0.40	0.97	44.31	0.00	4.35	0.51	0.31	<b>292.33</b>
<b>2005</b>	46.95	0.40	0.97	50.84	0.00	4.27	0.52	0.32	<b>301.97</b>
<b>2010</b>	46.95	0.40	0.97	55.54	0.00	4.23	0.52	0.32	<b>307.49</b>
<b>2011</b>	46.95	0.40	0.97	54.87	0.00	4.24	0.52	0.32	<b>305.21</b>
<b>2012</b>	46.95	0.40	0.97	52.55	0.00	4.17	0.52	0.32	<b>301.61</b>
<b>2013</b>	46.95	0.40	0.97	52.06	0.00	4.19	0.52	0.32	<b>299.92</b>
<b>2014</b>	46.95	0.40	0.97	55.55	0.00	4.21	0.52	0.32	<b>308.79</b>
<b>2015</b>	46.95	0.40	0.97	56.89	0.00	4.18	0.52	0.32	<b>312.24</b>
<b>2016</b>	46.95	0.40	0.97	58.81	0.00	4.24	0.52	0.32	<b>316.14</b>
<b>2017</b>	46.95	0.40	0.97	61.89	0.00	4.26	0.52	0.32	<b>323.31</b>
<b>2018</b>	46.95	0.40	0.97	65.46	0.00	4.26	0.52	0.33	<b>331.20</b>
<b>2019</b>	46.95	0.40	0.97	67.67	0.00	4.26	0.53	0.33	<b>335.36</b>

Source: ISPRA elaborations

#### 14.16.1.1.1.1

For non-dairy cattle, emission factors are derived by the Nitrogen Balance Inter-regional Project that involved Emilia Romagna, Lombardy, Piedmont and Veneto regions, where animal breeding is concentrated and for that they have been assumed representative of the national level.

The project was aimed to develop models to calculate the nitrogen balance for different types of breeding, including cattle. The following information was collected: the movement of the heads and feed at farm level, animal nutrition plans, food consumption per animal category and bred, management techniques, reproductive phase and the productive results, mortality, age, weight at different growth and fattening phases, number and type of stable places in the herd, the type of simple foods or compound feed used, the estimated nitrogen content, the composition of the feed ration, average levels daily consumption per animal category and stage of breeding cycle (Xiccato *et al.*, 2004).

The survey data related to replacement heifers and other non-dairy cattle are described below.

### Replacement heifers

#### *Breeding performance*

In Table A.7.2 the national average values of the main characteristics of the replacement heifers breeding are reported. Friesian, Brown and Red-spotted livestock breeds have been considered.

The national value is the average of the result of the survey carried out in Veneto, Emilia Romagna, Lombardy and Piedmont which monitors the food consumption, the composition of the rations and the numeric movements and weight of livestock in the period between 2002 and 2003. For Veneto, specifically, data from 89 representative farms, for a total of 8,466 heads, were collected (Regione Veneto, 2008; Bittante *et al.*, 2004).

**Table A.7.2 Main characteristics of the replacement heifers breeding**

	<b>Unit of measure</b>	<b>Average value</b>	<b>Sd (2)</b>
Age at weaning	day	85	23
Age at first calving	month	28.5	
Live weight at birth	kg/head	39	
Average live weight at weaning	kg/head	101	19
Average live weight at first calving	kg/head	540	
<b>Food ration distribution</b>			
Traditional	%	25	
Unifeed	%	38	
Mixed	%	37	
Intake of dry matter from weaning at first calving	kg/head/period	6473	1459
Daily dry matter intake	kg/d	8.24	1.89
Average crude protein ration (Nx6,25)	kg/kg	0.121	0.018
<b>Nitrogen balance</b>			
N consumed from birth to weaning	kg/head/period	5.3	2.7
N consumed from weaning to calving	kg/head/period	123.9	29.7
N retention in products from birth to calving	kg/head/period	14.41	
N excreted from birth to calving	kg/head/period	114.8	29.6
N annually excreted	kg/head/year	48.3 (1)	12.5

(1) the value was divided by the average weight and used to calculate the annual average nitrogen excretion for females from breeding between 1 and 2 years and more than 2 years (reported in CRPA, 2006[a]); (2) Standard deviation

#### *Food consumption and composition of rations*

Average value of dry matter intake from weaning at first calving is 6473 kg/head/period (8.24 kg of dry matter intake per day).

Animals receive rations based, even in summer, on hay fodder, corn silage and fibrous products with minimal additions of food concentrates.

The protein content of these rations is on average 12% of dry matter intake. The use of fresh grass is generally avoided, the best fodder is normally reserved for dairy cows and the inferior fodder for the replacement heifers.

#### *Digestibility*

The food ration is rich in fiber (as described above) and therefore less digestible than the ration of fattening animals. Methane conversion factors were estimated as a function of digestibility on the basis of factors in the 2006 IPCC guidelines.

#### **Other cattle**

##### *Breeding performance*

In Italy are widespread mainly the following breeding patterns: beef from intensive farming (representing 70-75% of the animal category), light or heavy, raised in confinement environment (fattening centers) in the Po valley; beef from extensive farming (representing 25-30% of the animal category), bred in unconfined environment in Piedmont, South Apennines center and in the islands, belonging to Italian beef breeds, fed through the pasture and concentrated foods, up to a final weight of about 650 kg (ISMEA, 2005).

Almost all of the animals sent to the slaughterhouse comes from national farms (97%) who breed for 45% of foreign origin animals and 55% of national origin animals (ISMEA, 2005). The latter are related to about 30% by specialized farms for meat and for the remaining part of dairy herds.

##### *Food consumption and composition of rations*

Since the beginning of the sixties, the intensive farming under confinement, the most prevalent in the Po valley, has been closely linked to the development of the cultivation of maize, as the main energy source, and the availability of flour from imported soybean, as a protein source (Regione Veneto, 2008). In the same years, in agricultural areas in Northern Italy a substantial abandonment of the cattle from traditional meat, based on a wide use of permanent and/or temporary fodder was recorded. This process has developed as a result of the development of the product ensiling technique obtained by chopping of the whole plant, harvested in the milky-wax ripeness phase of kernels (corn silage). The use of corn silage increases by about 50% the amount of energy per hectare, reducing, consequently, the cost of the unit forage (Regione Veneto, 2008). The use of corn silage and concentrated feed, suitably integrated, in diets for cattle, increases the speed of growth of

animals, improving the energy efficiency of the ration, reducing the duration of the production cycle and raising the yields of slaughter and the qualitative level of carcasses and meat (Regione Veneto, 2008).

In the survey conducted on 135 farms in Veneto, Lombardy and Piedmont useful information on the average type of the food composition and crude protein content of rations for Charolais cattle can be drawn (Cozzi, 2007 – see Table A.7.3). Despite some differences between farms located in different regions it is observed that in all cases the corn silage, the corn mash and cereals are the main constituents of rations. The use of dried beet pulp, in particular in the Veneto region, is significant. In Veneto and Lombardy, the long-fiber forages are represented almost exclusively by straw, while in Piedmont these are partially or totally replaced by permanent pasture hay. The supplement of protein is generally based on soybean flour. The protein content is in all cases around 14% of dry matter, a little more content than that found by Xiccato *et al.*, (Xiccato *et al.*, 2005) on 40 farms in Veneto (14.4% + 0.9%) and a slightly higher than that found by Mazzenga *et al.*, (Mazzenga *et al.*, 2007) on 406 farms in the Po valley (13% + 1.1%).

**Table A.7.3 Food and chemical composition of unifeed rations for Charolais cattle in different regions (Cozzi, 2007)**

Diet	Veneto	Lombardy	Piedmont	Standard error
Farms, n.	101	23	11	
Food ration, kg				
Silage corn	8.3	9.6	5.9	2.2
Mash corn	0.8	1.4	2.7	1.5
Cereals, flour and grains	2.7	1.8	2.1	1.2
Dried beet pulp	1.1	0.6	0.5	0.7
Fodder long fiber	0.7	0.7	1.0	0.4
Protein supplements, vitamins and	2.3	2.6	2.4	1.1
Molasses and vegetable fats	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2
Chemical composition:				
Dry matter %	55.2	52.6	62.3	7.0
Crude protein %	14.0	13.9	14.0	0.9

#### *Digestibility*

As mentioned above, the rations consist mainly of silage and cereals and for fattening animals, the ration has been assumed more digestible. Therefore, for these categories of animals, lower default values of the methane conversion factor (from the 2006 IPCC Guidelines) with respect to the breeding categories have been assigned

#### **CH<sub>4</sub> conversion factors for non-dairy cattle category**

In response to the 2018 UNFCCC review process and the 2019 ESD review (EMRT observation of February 2019), additional information on the CH<sub>4</sub> conversion factors for non-dairy cattle category is provided.

For non-dairy cattle category, different CH<sub>4</sub> conversion factors have been estimated for the different sub-categories, depending on the assumption on food digestibility; in fact, usually a more digestible diet is used in the case of fattening animals while a richer in fiber diet is used in the case of breeding animals (CRPA, 2006[a]). CRPA, which is the research center on animal production and provides technical support to the relevant regional and national authorities on this matter, carried out the studies cited for the national inventory in 1997 and 2006, on the basis of their knowledge of the sector, which derives from the information collected at farm level during the years in the intensive farms where more than 90% of cattle are reared, and taking in account the 1996 IPCC Guidelines.

Methane conversion factors Y<sub>m</sub> have been chosen for the different species based on the average characteristic in terms of dry matter intake (DMI), average weight and typical diet according to the range provided in the IPCC 1996 Guidelines (4%±0.5 related to good diet and 6%±0.5 for poor diet). The DMI is calculated as a percentage of weight. For cattle less than one year, DMI is estimated to be 4.8 kg/head/day; for cattle aged 1 to 2 years for slaughter, DMI is considered to be 2.1% by weight; for breeding males from 1 to 2 years, DMI is considered equal to 1.9% of weight; for breeding females aged 1 to 2 years, DMI is considered to be 2.1% by weight; for male cattle of more than 2 years, DMI is estimated at 17.1 kg/head/day; for females over 2 years DMI is estimated at 11.5 kg/head/day; for other cows, DMI is considered to be 1.9% by weight (CRPA, 1997 [a]).

In the 2006 IPCC Guidelines two values for Y<sub>m</sub> are proposed: one for cattle, for the fed diets containing 90% or more concentrates (3%±1), the other for other Cattle and Buffaloes that are primarily fed low quality crop residues and by-products (6.5%±1), not providing any suggestion for intermediate quality of feed diets.

Therefore, based on data collected at farm level, intermediate quality of feed diets was found in which concentrates do not reach 90% but can be exceed 70% depending on the different breeds.

Some published examples of average diet for typical breeds of cattle for slaughter 1-2 year aged reared in Italy for 2012, 2014 and 2015 provided by ISMEA (which is the public institute for study and research on the agriculture market supporting the relevant Ministry) in cooperation with CRPA and available at the link <http://www.pianidisettore.it/flex/cm/pages/ServeBLOB.php/L/IT/IDPagina/875> are reported in Table A.7.4-6.

**Table A.7.4 Composition of diet of fattening cattle (kg feed/head/d) - reference year 2012**

<b>Regions</b>	<b>Veneto</b>	<b>Piemonte</b>	<b>Piemonte</b>
<b>Breed</b>	<b>Charolais/Limousine</b>	<b>Blonde d'Aquitaine</b>	<b>Piemontese</b>
<b>Stable places (n.)</b>	<b>940</b>	<b>426</b>	<b>110</b>
Silage corn	6.7	1.2	1.1
Mash corn	1.3	1.3	0.8
Other silage (triticale, ryegrass)	0.2	-	-
Surpressed beetroot pulp	1.7	-	-
Hay	0.5	1.5	1.6
Straw	0.6	0.7	0.3
Corn flour	2.1	2.6	2.0
Glutinous corn semolina	0.9	-	-
Bran	0.1	0.2	0.3
Soybean extraction flour	0.5	0.7	0.3
Protein supplements*	1.0	2.9	3.1
Dried pulps	0.6	0.5	-
Vegetable fats	-	-	-
<b>Total forages</b>	<b>11.0</b>	<b>4.7</b>	<b>3.8</b>
<b>Total concentrates</b>	<b>5.2</b>	<b>6.9</b>	<b>5.7</b>
<b>Total feed</b>	<b>16.2</b>	<b>11.6</b>	<b>9.5</b>
<b>% of concentrates</b>	<b>32%</b>	<b>59%</b>	<b>60%</b>
<b>% of forages</b>	<b>68%</b>	<b>41%</b>	<b>40%</b>

\*Fedd formulated for the integration of energy feeds and/or farm cereals. Source: Ismea – CRPA

**Table A.7.5 Composition of diet of fattening cattle (kg feed/head/d) - reference year 2014**

<b>Regions</b>	<b>Veneto</b>	<b>Piemonte</b>
<b>Breed</b>	<b>Charolais/Limousine</b>	<b>Blonde d'Aquitaine</b>
<b>Stable places (n.)</b>	<b>790</b>	<b>300</b>
Silage corn	7.8	1.0
Mash corn	1.7	1.4
Surpressed beetroot pulp	1.2	-
Hay	0.2	1.5
Straw	0.7	0.5
Corn flour	2.5	3.1
Glutinous corn semolina	0.5	-
Bran	0.2	0.4
Soybean extraction flour	0.4	0.5
Protein supplements*	1.2	2.6
Dried pulps	0.5	0.1
Vegetable fats	0.03	0.08
<b>Total forages</b>	<b>11.6</b>	<b>4.4</b>

Regions	Veneto	Piemonte
Breed	Charolais/Limousine	Blonde d'Aquitaine
Stable places (n.)	790	300
Total concentrates	5.3	6.8
Total feed	16.9	11.2
% of concentrates	31%	61%
% of forages	69%	39%

\*Fedd formulated for the integration of energy feeds and/or farm cereals. Source: Ismea – CRPA

**Table A.7.6 Composition of diet of fattening cattle (kg feed/head/d) - reference year 2015**

Regions	Toscana, Umbria	Marche, Abruzzo	Emilia Romagna
Breed	Chianina	Marchigiana	Marchigiana
Stable places (n.)	140	145	400
Silage corn	-	-	4.0
Mash corn	-	-	1.5
Alfalfa hay	3.2	1.8	0.9
Straw	0.2	0.7	0.5
Protein supplements*	1.4	0.3	1.1
Corn flour	2.8	3.9	3.2
Barley flour	1.8	1.7	0.7
Bran	0.2	0.4	0.4
Soybean extraction flour	0.4	0.5	0.6
Favino flour	0.9	1.2	-
<b>Total forages</b>	3.35	2.5	6.9
<b>Total concentrates</b>	7.5	8.0	6.0
<b>Total feed</b>	10.9	10.5	12.9
<b>% of concentrates</b>	<b>69%</b>	<b>76%</b>	<b>46%</b>
<b>% of forages</b>	<b>31%</b>	<b>24%</b>	<b>54%</b>

\*Fedd formulated for the integration of energy feeds and/or farm cereals. Source: Ismea – CRPA

As the data show, for autochthon breed (as Chianina, Marchigiana, Piemontese) the percentage of concentrates in the diet is in average greater than 60% and can reach 75% of the daily intake ration.

The country specific Ym, for the different subcategories, have been verified calculating Ym values with the formula proposed by Ellis *et al* (Ellis *et al*, 2007) based on DMI and forages proportion (FP) in the diet, considering the national weight and DMI values and assuming percentages of forages between 30% and 50%. The comparison results in very close values, as reported in Table A.7.7. The penultimate column 'Ym' of Table A.7.7 represents the result obtained with the Ellis *et al* formula, while the last column 'Country specific Ym' represents the data used in the inventory and reported in CRPA, 2006[a].

**Table A.7.7 Ym estimation on the basis of DMI and forages proportion**

	weight	DMI		forage proportion (on diet)	CH4 production*	Ym	Country specific Ym	
	kg	as % weight	as kg/d	as MJ/day	% forages on dry matter	MJ/day		
cattle < 1 year	236	2.1%	4.8	89.0	30%	3.72	4.2%	4
cattle for slaughter 1-2 years (M+F)	520	2.1%	10.9	200.0	40%	8.31	4.2%	4
cattle 1-2 years for breeding male	550	1.9%	10.6	194.3	50%	8.58	4.4%	4.5
cattle 1-2 years for breeding female	400	2.1%	8.4	154.6	80%	8.55	5.5%	6

\* the following formula has been applied:  $Ym = -1.02 + 0.681 * DMI + 4.81 * FP$

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## A7.2 Manure management (3B)

In this section the country-specific methodology for estimating the amount of manure sent to the bio-digesters and the amount of methane produced, to be subtracted from the total amount of methane deriving from manure management, is explained.

The inventory of methane emissions from manure management is based on a country specific methodology which also takes into account the share of manure sent to bio-digesters annually to recover power and heat.

In Italy the number of bio-digesters has been increasing for the last years in a significant way. Anaerobic digestion of animal manure allows for the recovery of energy and heat and also for reducing methane emissions to air.

### *1) The anaerobic bio-digesters in Italy and relevant assumptions*

The information available concerning heat and power production from biogas at anaerobic digesters fed with animal manure and agriculture residues (energy crops, agro-industrial by-products) is supplied by TERNA and CRPA.

TERNA, the Italian electricity transmission grid operator, reports annually the production of energy from traditional sources and from renewable. As for energy from biogas production in anaerobic digesters TERNA accounts for the number of digesters connected to the national grid and reports the power capacity, the energy production, combined heat and energy production and provides the figures separately for two categories:

- Bio-digesters receiving animal manure
- Bio-digesters receiving agriculture residues

The information is collected electronically and submitted by bio-digesters operators. TERNA's data about installed power, energy production, biogas used for energy production are then available for the inventory purposes (see data from renewable sources in sections "power plants" and "production" at <https://www.terna.it/it/sistema-elettrico/statistiche/pubblicazioni-statistiche>).

CRPA is the Research Centre on Animal Production, among other activities it has been studying the implementation of anaerobic digestion in the agricultural sector of our country and it has been carrying out surveys to build a picture of the anaerobic digestion plants in the livestock and agro-industrial sector in Italy. In the surveys total number of Italian anaerobic systems is considered, so the plants not connected to the national energy grid are included too. CRPA archive includes also information about the feed (plants working with animal manure, energy crops and agro-industrial by-products). Information about technologies and changes in technologies along the inventory time series is then also available for the inventory purposes.

Comparing the number of plants using manure in the CRPA surveys and those to TERNA, there is evidence that many operators using manure together with crops as a feed to digesters report their information to TERNA under the most general category agriculture residues.

Based on official data by TERNA and on information collected by CRPA (CRPA, 2013; CRPA, 2011; ENAMA, 2011; CRPA, 2008[a]) the inventory team provides with the following picture concerning bio-digesters in Italy:

- As for technology, up to 2005 anaerobic digestion of animal manure was implemented at about less than 100 plants. In the '90s typical reactor was a coverage storage structure where manure was stored and anaerobic digestion could occur, the output of the process being biogas mainly burned to recover heat for the livestock facility. In the following years, due to an increasing interest into anaerobic digestion and thanks to incentives to the sector, the implementation of multiple substrates (biomass) co-digestion at the same digester can be observed. As a consequence, the type of process reactor has been changing too, with CSTR (completely stirred tank reactor) reactors becoming the largest share out of the total number of digesters.
- The number of installations has been significantly increasing for the last years (following table), thus affecting also the amount of CH<sub>4</sub> emissions released actually to the atmosphere, that's why the GHG emissions inventory shall take into account also this practice.

In the Table A.7.8 a summary of the information provided by TERNA and the estimated data for biogas production is supplied.

**Table A.7.8 Anaerobic digesters in Italy**

N° of plants and productions	<i>Anaerobic digesters</i>		<i>Energy production</i>			<i>Biogas production</i>
	Total	Animal manure	Total	Animal manure	Agricultural residues	Total
	n.	n.	GWh	GWh	GWh	Mm <sup>3</sup>
<b>1990</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>1995</b>	5	4	10.7	8.1	2.6	Not available
<b>2000</b>	10	5	8.8	4.9	3.9	Not available
<b>2005</b>	24	14	142	26	117	Not available
<b>2010</b>	176	95	611.2	221	390.2	839
<b>2013</b>	1,299	379	5,717	817	4,900	2,999
<b>2014</b>	1,362	421	6,440	989	5,451	3,347
<b>2015</b>	1,466	493	6,557	1,067	5,490	3,194
<b>2016</b>	1,529	539	6,654	1,160	5,494	3,211
<b>2017</b>	1,629	602	6,737	1,194	5,543	3,283
<b>2018</b>	1,654	615	6,792	1,237	5,555	3,276
<b>2019</b>	1,699	636	6,820	1,255	5,565	3,520

Source: TERNA and estimated data for biogas production

Official information about biogas used and energy production at bio-digesters, provided by TERNA, and information about feed of the bio-digesters, provided by CRPA, allow for estimating the amount of slurry and manure fed annually to the Italian bio-digesters.

The biogas average yield and the chemical characteristics of substrates fed to digesters are described in Table A.7.9 supplied by CRPA (CRPA, 2012).

**Table A.7.9 Average yields and average chemical characteristics of some substrates used for biogas production****Tabella 8 - Rese medie e caratteristiche chimiche medie di alcuni substrati utilizzabili per la produzione di biogas**

Matrice	Solidi volatili (kg/t)	Biogas (m <sup>3</sup> /kg SV)	CH <sub>4</sub> (%)	NTK (% ST)	Matrice	Solidi volatili (kg/t)	Biogas (m <sup>3</sup> /kg SV)	CH <sub>4</sub> (%)	NTK (% ST)
<b>Liquami zootecnici</b>									
Liquame suino	30	0,50	67	8	Liquame bovino	82	0,35	55	4,7
Solido separato bovino	200	0,4	55	2,5	Letame bovino	210	0,40	55	2,7
<b>Prodotti vegetali</b>									
Insilato di sorgo zuccherino	282	0,6	53	1,8	Insilato di grano	289	0,60	53	1,7
Insilato di erba	248	0,56	52	2,7	Insilato di mais	310	0,65	53	1,4
<b>Scarti agro-industriali animali</b>									
Siero di latte	55	0,75	60	2,3	Sangue bovino	101	0,65	65	11,4
Contenuti ruminanti bovini	176	0,75	53	2,6	Fanghi di macelli suini	160	0,35	60	3
Fango di flottazione avicolo	85	0,35	60	14,7	Fanghi di macelli bovini	122	0,35	60	4,8
<b>Scarti agro-industriali vegetali</b>									
Scarti di lavorazione del mais dolce	154	0,48	55	2,2	Bucchette e semi di pomodori	291	0,35	55	3,1
Scarti di leguminose	169	0,6	60	4,9	Scarti di lavorazione della patata	230	0,60	53	1,5

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As for the types of feed treated in bio-digesters there has been a significant shift from single substrate feed to multiple substrates feed during the last years (CRPA, 2013; CRPA, 2011); the share of bio-digesters treating animal manure only has been decreasing while the share of plants operating co-digestion of multiple substrates feed has been increasing.

**Table A.7.10 Type of feed sent to anaerobic digesters over the years**

Type of feed over the years	2007	2010	2011	2012
animal manure only (%)	56	36	29	18
animal manure+energy crops+ agricultural residues (%)	38	55	58	62
energy crops only (%)	6	9	13	20

Source: CRPA

Because of multiple substrates fed to bio-digesters, the following average characteristics of the feed, as supplied by CRPA, are considered for the Italian bio-digesters in order to calculate the total amount of feed from animal manure anaerobic digestion (CRPA, 2018).

**Table A.7.11 Type of feed sent to anaerobic digesters**

Type of feed	Units	animal manure	energy crops	agro-industrial by-products
Animal manure only	% in the feed	100	0	0
Animal manure + energy crops + agro-industrial by-products	% in the feed	28	52	20
Animal manure + energy crops	% in the feed	38	62	0
Animal manure + agro-industrial by-products	% in the feed	69	0	31
Energy crops + agro-industrial by-products	% in the feed	0	81	19

Source: CRPA

On the basis of the information reported above and in consideration of the typical feed of the bio-digesters the average parameters for animal manure, energy crops and agro-industrial by-products are those reported in Table A.7.12. The biogas methane content is generally reported to range from 50% to 65%, for the inventory purposes and according to CRPA methane content is assumed to be 55% (CRPA/AIEL, 2008; CRPA, 2008[b]). As regards the average volatile solids content, values for animal manure and agro-industrial by-products have been changed based on the recent study of CRPA (CRPA, 2018).

**Table A.7.12 Average parameters by the type of feed sent to anaerobic digesters**

Parameters	Units	animal manure	energy crops	agro-industrial by-products
Average biogas producing potential	m <sup>3</sup> biogas/kg VS	0.4	0.6	0.6
Average CH <sub>4</sub> content	%	55	55	55
Average volatile solids content	VS kg/t feed	139	280	237

Source: CRPA

On the basis of all this information total biogas generated from the amount of slurry and manure fed to bio-digesters can be estimated assuring that for the inventory purposes it does not include biogas generated based on other carbon sources than animal manure.

## 2) Losses from bio-digesters

Based on the information collected about the Italian bio-digesters, losses of biogas/methane can be characterized as:

- Biogas losses from anaerobic digestion unit (biogas escaping from the digester)
- Biogas losses from digestate storage
- Biogas losses from the combustion unit in the power&heat production step

As for point 1) according to the available literature on Italian bio-digesters (Fabbri *et al.*, 2011) and to the NIR of other EU Country (UBA, 2014) and to the 2019 EMEP/EEA Guidebook (see chapter 5.B.2 Biological treatment of waste – anaerobic digestion at biogas facilities, paragraph 2.3), where manure is processed in bio-digesters with similar technology implemented, the average losses of biogas is reported to be about 1% of the total biogas produced.

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As for point 2) according to the IPCC Guidelines this contribution to the emission is equal to zero when covered storage units are in place. Based on our information, digestate covered storage units are in places at the Italian bio-digesters.

As for point 3) emissions resulting from power&heat production step are not to be allocated under agriculture for the purposes of the GHG emissions inventory and are already estimated and allocated in the energy sector.

### **3) Methodology and parameters**

Based on the information supplied by TERNA and CRPA, a country specific methodology to estimate the *amount of animal manure treated in the bio-digesters* has been developed for the years 2007, 2010, 2011 and 2012 onwards. The amount of animal manure sent to anaerobic digesters is used to estimate both the equivalent number of heads and their related *CH<sub>4</sub> emissions to be subtracted* from the total CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from manure management and *CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from losses of the digesters*.

*N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from manure management* have been revised too, because the emission factors (EFs) for animal manure sent to digesters are different from EFs for the other manure management systems (liquid system and solid storage).

In addition, for the reporting purposes the CH<sub>4</sub> producing potentials (Bo), the percentages of nitrogen allocation (by climate region and manure management systems) and methane conversion factors (MCF) have been revised for the relevant animal categories.

#### ***Amount of animal manure treated in bio-digesters***

Official data about power capacity of digesters (TERNA) have been disaggregated based on the *distribution of digesters' installed power by type of feed* (CRPA).

On the basis of the operating hours, calculated from TERNA data on total energy production divided by the total installed power at digesters, the *energy production by type of feed* has been calculated for the relevant years.

TERNA data are used also to calculate the average energy efficiency and the lower heating value (LHV) that applied to energy productions allow for deriving the *amount of biogas used to produce energy per type of feed*. Taking into account the percentage of biogas losses at digesters, equal to 1%, and the percentage of biogas flared at digesters, equal to 4%, it is possible to estimate the *biogas produced per type of feed* from biogas used. In 2017 submission, in response to the UNFCCC review process, the percentage of biogas flared has been estimated.

From biogas produced per type of feed it is possible to estimate the *total amount of feed* using the maximum biogas producing capacity (m<sup>3</sup> biogas/kg VS – volatile solid) and the VS content in the feed (kg VS/t feed).

In order to estimate the *amount of animal manure sent to digesters*, multiple substrates in the feed have to be considered taking in account the shares of different substrates in the feeds.

#### ***CH<sub>4</sub> emissions to be subtracted***

In order to take into account the practice of manure management in anaerobic bio-digesters, the equivalent, in terms of MMS (liquid and solid), CH<sub>4</sub> emissions should be calculated on the basis of the amount of manure treated in these plants considering the equivalent number of heads and then subtracted from the total CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from manure management. This is because the country specific methodology calculates the average EFs by livestock on the basis of national and international literature which refer to the “conventional” MMS of liquid and solid manure.

Manure sent to digesters has been distributed according to the type of manure (liquid/slurry and solid) and the animal category using the distribution of the national inventory.

Based on the coefficients of the national inventory related to annual production of manure per head and animal category and type of manure, it is possible to estimate *the number of head equivalent* per animal category and type of manure.

Finally, *CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from manure* sent to digesters are calculated multiplying these equivalent heads by EFs of the inventory expressed in kg CH<sub>4</sub>/head per year.

### ***CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from losses of bio-digesters***

Losses from digesters are equal to 1% of biogas produced. Considering that CH<sub>4</sub> content is equal to 55% of biogas the resulting amount of CH<sub>4</sub> is calculated and added to the total CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from manure management and distributed by animal category.

### ***N<sub>2</sub>O emissions***

On the basis of CRPA data on measurements of nitrogen quantities in livestock manure (downstream of releases to housing and storage) per animal category and type of manure, the nitrogen quantities in livestock manure sent to anaerobic digestion were estimated. The coefficients, expressed as g N/kg manure, were calculated gross of losses and then the losses to housing were deducted. The resulting coefficients were then multiplied by the quantities of manure sent for anaerobic digestion. The whole time series was updated in submission 2021.

Consequently, the amount of nitrogen stored in the other storage system has been revised too subtracting these N amounts from the relevant animal categories and their type of manure.

Emission factor of the 2006 IPCC Guidelines has been used to estimate the N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from manure stored in digesters. The value is zero as reported in the 2006 IPCC Guidelines (IPCC, 2006).

### ***MCF for anaerobic digester***

The methane conversion factor has been calculated according to Formula 1 in table 10.17 in the 2006 IPCC Guidelines:

$$\text{MCF} = \left[ \{ \text{CH}_4 \text{ prod} - \text{CH}_4 \text{ used} - \text{CH}_4 \text{ flared} + (\text{MCF}_{\text{storage}} / 100 * \text{Bo} * \text{VS}_{\text{storage}} * 0.67) \} / (\text{Bo} * \text{VS}_{\text{storage}} * 0.67) \right] * 100$$

Where:

CH<sub>4</sub> prod = methane production in digester, (kg CH<sub>4</sub>).

*Note: When a gas tight coverage of the storage for digested manure is used, the gas production of the storage should be included.*

CH<sub>4</sub> used = amount of methane gas used for energy, (kg CH<sub>4</sub>)

CH<sub>4</sub> flared = amount of methane flared, (kg CH<sub>4</sub>)

MCF<sub>storage</sub> = MCF for CH<sub>4</sub> emitted during storage of digested manure (%)

VS<sub>storage</sub> = amount of VS excreted that goes to storage prior to digestion (kg VS)

*When a gas tight storage is included: MCF<sub>storage</sub> = 0; otherwise MCF<sub>storage</sub> = MCF value for liquid storage*

The equation (CH<sub>4</sub> prod - CH<sub>4</sub> used - CH<sub>4</sub> flared) is equal to CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from losses of bio-digesters that is equal to 1% of biogas produced (as reported above): 1339 Mmc (millions of cubic meters of biogas produced from manure in 2019) \* 0.01 \* 0.55 (methane content is assumed to be 55%) = 7.36 Mmc CH<sub>4</sub>. The amount of volatile solids (VS) has been calculated multiplying the amount of animal manure by different type of feed treated in bio-digesters to the average VS content by different type of feed (these values can be obtained from the values shown in Table A.7.12): 2120 kt (animal manure only) \* 139 kg VS/t feed + 922 kt (animal manure from the co-digestion of multiple substrates such as "animal manure + energy crops + agro-industrial by-products") \* 232 kg VS/t feed + 4310 kt (animal manure from the co-digestion of multiple substrates such as "animal manure + energy crops") \* 226 kg VS/t feed + 7578 kt (animal manure from the co-digestion of multiple substrates such as "animal manure + agro-industrial by-products") \* 169 kg VS/t feed = 2768 kt VS. CH<sub>4</sub> producing capacity (Bo) is equal to 0.22 mc CH<sub>4</sub>/kg VS. MCF = 7.36 Mmc CH<sub>4</sub> / 2768 kt VS / 0.22 mc CH<sub>4</sub>/kg VS \* 100 = 1.21%. In addition, digestate covered storage units are in places at the Italian bio-digesters so according to the Guidelines MCF<sub>storage</sub> is equal to 0.

The figure 0.22 mc CH<sub>4</sub>/kg VS used in the calculation is an average of the values related to pigs slurry, cattle slurry and solid manure, cattle separate solid manure. These values represent the maximum methanogenic potential and have been measured in the laboratory trying to simulate in a controlled environment what happens in an anaerobic digester (as reported in CRPA, 2012). This value is different respect to the values in CRF table 3.B(a)s1 that have been estimated with the equation 10.23 of the 2006 IPCC Guidelines. However, the measured and estimated data should be comparable.

In response to the 2018 UNFCCC review process, more information on the estimate of weighted average values of MCF and Bo for animal manure digested in anaerobic digesters have been provided above, reporting a numerical example of how the MCF value is calculated including information on the data sources for the different parameters used.

The biogas flared at bio-digesters has been assumed equal to 4% of the total biogas produced (CRPA, 2016[a]).

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In the CRF table 3B(a)s2, the nitrogen allocation and MCF supplied by climate region and manure management systems are reported.

The average CH<sub>4</sub> producing potential reported in Table 3B(a)s1 of the CRF has been revised accordingly using the average MCF for all manure management systems and the 2006 IPCC Guidelines' Equation 10.23.

#### **4) Time series of total manure sent to anaerobic digestion**

The amount of animal manure treated in the bio-digesters has been developed for the years 2007, 2010, 2011 and 2012 onwards, as described in the previous paragraphs. In order to develop the complete time series, the following assumptions have been considered taking in account the information provided by TERNA:

- For the years 1990 no changes in the estimation occurred because digesters were not in place;
- For the years 1991-2000 the amount of animal manure treated in the bio-digesters has been estimated based on the energy production from anaerobic digestion of animal manure;
- For the years 2001-2006 the amount of animal manure treated in the bio-digesters has been estimated based on the biogas from animal manure used for energy production;
- For the years 2008 and 2009 the amount of animal manure treated in the bio-digesters has been estimated based on the total biogas used for energy production.

In Table A.7.13 the percentages of animals in temperate zone based on data from the FSS 2005, provided by ISTAT, and the average temperature at provincial level are shown.

In Table A.7.14-16 all data, parameters and equations used to estimate CH<sub>4</sub> emission from manure management for cattle and buffalo are reported. These data are: the average monthly temperature; storage temperatures and timescale for emptying manure storages; the amount of manure generated by each subcategory of cattle and buffalo (m<sup>3</sup>/head day<sup>-1</sup>); the *methane emission rates* (g CH<sub>4</sub>/m<sup>3</sup> day<sup>-1</sup>) calculated on the basis of the equations 5.1 and 5.2 reported in the paragraph 5.3.2; the specific conversion factors (g CH<sub>4</sub>/kg VS); the content of VS in manure (g VS/head day<sup>-1</sup>) produced by different subcategories of cattle (dairy and non-dairy cattle) and buffalo (cow buffaloes and other buffaloes); the slurry and solid manure EFs (kg CH<sub>4</sub>/head year<sup>-1</sup>) calculated with Equations 5.3 and 5.4 respectively; the total (slurry and solid manure) amount of VS handled in slurry/liquid and solid manure management systems for the entire reporting period; the total (slurry and solid manure) CH<sub>4</sub> emission factors.

**Table A.7.13 Distribution of animals from the FSS 2005 (ISTAT) and average temperature at provincial level**

Code of provinces	Name of provinces	Average temperature aggregated per province by weighting with livestock units	Non-dairy cattle	Dairy cattle	Buffalo	Other swine	Sows	Sheep	Goats	Horses	Mules and asses	Broilers (2)	Laying hens (2)	Other poultry	Rabbits
001	Torino	13.3	185,441	60,950	137	141,054	9,422	11,842	5,399	16,626	285	1,384,201	605,549	121,305	476,111
002	Vercelli	13.0	6,139	3,361	0	19,044	3,023	4,530	2,747	378	177	240,844	90	367,320	38,487
003	Novara	12.4	11,634	11,941	659	36,837	4,066	442	1,464	2,024	0	163,436	135,522	26,764	206,579
004	Cuneo	13.1	360,266	79,864	0	731,302	51,882	24,890	7,375	353	7	1,906,594	513,460	794,541	1,533,321
005	Asti	13.5	44,507	965	0	16,147	1,305	2,118	3,771	2,531	83	517,799	407,027	34,957	144,573
006	Alessandria	13.5	37,346	3,671	0	24,322	1,120	3,109	3,929	277	80	73,144	216,432	360,226	43,049
007	Aosta	(1)	17,379	22,332	0	26	0	2,586	3,339	116	32	9	2,602	98	1,832
008	Imperia	14.4	2,372	353	0	3	0	843	2,686	53	0	26	557	4	7,288
009	Savona	12.9	4,030	58	0	107	0	16,799	450	154	8	5,370	19,638	156	84,045
010	Genova	12.1	5,357	1,551	0	134	39	4,984	3,266	2,844	149	12,259	46,343	5,251	29,698
011	La Spezia	13.7	3,063	591	0	184	11	2,627	978	654	36	5,012	12,435	1,077	43,258
012	Varese	11.9	13,632	5,249	7	2,161	88	5,275	2,655	3,128	465	50,165	344,100	175,959	22,252
013	Como	12.0	11,270	7,743	2	844	178	5,475	9,227	3,616	591	135,711	29,395	13,744	88,340
014	Sondrio	11.4	9,318	15,448	0	835	13	7,028	12,890	654	503	679,686	58,918	24	293
015	Milano	13.4	62,266	36,960	1,782	105,264	7,399	2,833	1,551	2,431	122	97,755	710,011	59,622	5,330
016	Bergamo	13.7	112,201	69,614	643	301,455	30,604	28,808	14,355	9,783	753	1,475,925	1,529,460	516,977	5,959
017	Brescia	13.6	342,654	148,660	859	1,325,421	107,005	40,160	10,360	6,638	12	14,969,749	3,551,027	2,087,292	78,676
018	Pavia	13.6	20,446	9,054	0	239,372	15,395	0	2,045	640	23	2,104	174,942	215,736	0
019	Cremona	13.6	165,913	115,308	676	619,897	70,275	2,299	65	1,255	18	2,799,928	1,541,962	1,641,787	6,804
020	Mantova	13.7	265,591	109,883	0	1,055,515	60,972	0	870	683	87	1,182,334	5,613,807	817,826	17,568
021	Bolzano	11.3	67,713	83,892	0	13,775	311	50,645	19,508	6,354	428	85	139,010	2,096	40,398
022	Trento	11.0	17,303	29,737	0	7,205	171	29,731	9,778	3,313	571	1,182,144	397,493	34,367	174,295
023	Verona	13.3	190,794	35,635	0	308,473	11,067	56	177	9,441	0	16,208,619	4,569,421	11,982,064	3,443,690
024	Vicenza	13.4	125,108	55,512	17	40,793	2,005	5,790	456	1,482	525	3,768,250	462,832	802,257	196,126
025	Belluno	10.7	7,385	5,953	0	51,281	10,121	3,693	840	1,578	525	2,673	163	3,312	84,823
026	Treviso	13.4	155,378	23,915	1,260	90,117	13,957	1	149	293	2	2,551,739	1,784,328	123,347	2,367,946
027	Venezia	13.8	50,470	10,028	366	64,423	4,807	0	1,291	1,784	48	766,865	2,518,034	409,170	17,047
028	Padova	13.7	157,703	35,518	916	116,291	12,043	3,763	86	3,291	41	1,988,851	1,801,912	1,194,511	3,613,169
029	Rovigo	13.8	42,008	3,964	0	63,709	6,297	1,633	427	805	648	529,387	117,033	586,075	12,874
030	Udine	13.5	28,891	32,597	0	61,905	2,591	2,065	1,821	1,717	202	2,801,700	5,597	284,658	871,719
031	Gorizia	13.4	3,379	3,626	0	26,850	0	0	0	107	0	248,250	131,708	924,779	69,399
032	Trieste	13.2	598	201	0	1,395	0	0	0	0	0	8,303	6,894	9,909	3,825
033	Piacenza	13.0	46,684	31,700	13	73,967	4,598	44	8	2,589	273	84,174	173,053	0	153

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034	Parma	13.6	68,174	99,234	0	143,740	9,496	20	91	4,681	33	89,323	43,864	314	8,811
035	Reggio nell'Emilia	13.5	66,270	79,949	247	458,294	21,186	607	725	3,827	243	361,411	76,942	42,922	3,023
036	Modena	13.4	67,416	60,029	0	406,547	41,590	64	208	2,533	120	87,552	214,697	113,066	631,984
037	Bologna	13.9	20,526	8,482	0	41,449	3,503	12,056	236	9,883	163	47,197	1,276,246	122,438	0
038	Ferrara	13.7	45,143	10,999	0	23,212	3,623	0	98	4,385	91	0	102,049	57,109	7,138
039	Ravenna	13.7	13,141	3,179	0	43,760	3,106	14,092	682	3,522	764	698,792	2,308,670	3,301,798	379,957
040	Forli-Cesena	13.7	18,275	2,382	1	93,476	15,742	26,716	1,127	3,380	12	16,350,182	7,581,497	7,795,705	243,449
041	Pesaro e Urbino	13.5	30,155	2,429	0	12,423	623	100,473	1,654	3,286	64	39,984	311,955	51,308	298,142
042	Ancona	14.0	9,137	1,141	0	14,308	1,415	11,661	486	137	25	1,382,625	67,488	19,237	108,960
043	Macerata	13.9	13,794	1,378	0	9,894	738	46,279	903	589	102	1,167,510	67	0	375,329
044	Ascoli Piceno	14.3	20,587	288	0	77,063	1,228	76,380	4,166	3,286	507	1,060,249	2,310,685	4,027	164,214
045	Massa-Carrara	13.2	4,167	926	57	3,480	263	11,899	855	2,752	386	14,659	21,813	931	54,446
046	Lucca	14.2	3,560	988	0	847	6	16,156	289	262	0	33,688	53,335	958	39,418
047	Pistoia	14.7	8,092	86	0	673	38	5,605	388	4,210	804	0	516	0	1,645
048	Firenze	14.2	13,514	3,265	0	36,506	1,557	31,180	1,899	3,729	678	101,134	48,525	135,053	29,539
049	Livorno	15.0	1,999	459	0	273	153	11,793	133	1,723	175	980	3,449	59,521	7,174
050	Pisa	14.4	9,570	1,548	0	31,749	5,708	54,005	869	1,172	335	8,725	246,875	1,619	3,208
051	Arezzo	13.2	9,710	246	22	76,399	8,336	33,407	3,649	1,144	491	187,271	105,848	1,436	283,164
052	Siena	13.5	19,327	1,026	0	25,569	3,053	144,022	788	693	311	3,574	285,186	7,576	41,695
053	Grosseto	14.8	24,968	5,363	395	30,962	2,853	375,071	1,617	7,262	241	6,741	16,471	8,498	68,160
054	Perugia	13.6	41,054	11,904	0	223,062	4,769	145,178	6,516	7,151	251	2,786,387	1,035,490	310,913	146,088
055	Terni	13.7	14,305	1,268	0	16,236	1,279	34,266	780	3,671	286	312,851	71,851	0	170,015
056	Viterbo	14.4	21,859	10,870	921	14,188	1,027	290,585	415	2,287	641	509,739	124,450	80,398	238,483
057	Rieti	14.6	26,425	7,172	868	3,744	204	92,899	4,755	9,425	861	362,698	126,234	1,552	51,895
058	Roma	15.3	50,058	30,440	178	7,339	60	136,543	1,068	9,081	847	352,347	4,391	411	74,045
059	Latina	15.9	37,987	31,533	28,647	13,181	96	62,152	20,800	2,925	509	39,081	292,776	1,160	632,981
060	Frosinone	14.4	38,070	12,196	9,745	11,437	140	83,099	4,415	3,602	318	53,017	53,417	1,036	61,351
061	Caserta	15.5	27,251	23,498	94,898	14,949	861	31,420	393	206	115	129,455	487,659	4,417	113,682
062	Benevento	14.0	34,280	11,568	486	27,936	7,221	84,341	7,127	755	1,581	2,272,767	14,875	2,544	63,136
063	Napoli	16.2	3,224	2,032	49	3,245	180	55	3,886	10	65	111,888	327,038	262,730	2,960
064	Avellino	13.1	23,552	7,994	0	7,708	78	68,246	4,530	993	473	106,903	210,764	9,201	150,075
065	Salerno	16.2	50,412	36,366	55,014	41,469	1,763	112,374	38,780	3,231	1,189	93,292	106,829	7,965	88,775
066	L'Aquila	12.0	12,215	4,450	0	14,687	807	104,169	1,516	11,451	833	2,537	65,951	583	151,727
067	Teramo	14.8	26,091	12,463	0	26,659	2,743	157,028	1,411	2,608	73	182,779	77,359	218,748	50,584

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068	Pescara	14.9	12,430	4,218	0	12,178	737	49,259	191	152	136	201,951	54,764	163	121,929
069	Chieti	15.4	21,034	3,141	0	13,904	1,146	23,913	1,610	1,567	285	968,714	96,927	11,236	65,367
070	Campobasso	13.8	18,793	13,149	229	27,232	1,345	60,164	3,301	1,482	29	7,067,027	144,105	923	3,226
071	Foggia	15.2	27,297	6,128	4,543	10,279	61	100,938	23,540	2,851	1,403	699,034	14,783	102	6,242
072	Bari	14.4	35,866	31,546	199	5,149	752	64,117	3,937	3,065	32	4,673	306,370	1,409	117,228
073	Taranto	15.0	22,345	25,796	0	12,844	178	24,980	6,611	3,611	93	1,163	211,415	60,027	80,720
074	Brindisi	16.0	2,156	7,166	0	559	40	6,321	5,116	531	57	1,097	324,767	300	34,077
075	Lecce	16.6	3,546	2,251	0	503	235	27,399	6,805	552	24	14	165,333	13	238
076	Potenza	14.3	65,499	25,430	99	56,040	1,998	404,287	77,440	4,746	581	72,778	44,609	2,889	512,259
077	Matera	15.4	15,452	9,590	515	7,642	293	102,658	37,197	2,988	103	3,752	74,191	5,249	314,349
078	Cosenza	15.9	35,907	5,883	82	44,360	2,064	170,629	84,350	3,003	227	145,554	160,280	2,669	98,547
079	Catanzaro	16.1	4,183	920	0	6,377	343	24,168	7,030	38	0	622	9,367	0	475
080	Reggio di Calabria	17.5	19,585	1,807	0	14,070	1,037	50,802	38,585	253	0	13,029	48,974	253	40,978
081	Trapani	18.1	3,430	888	0	186	69	57,240	1,065	3,544	73	129	31,954	34	3,647
082	Palermo	17.2	46,032	4,790	0	2,679	875	132,035	12,444	1,562	63	32	316,059	0	290
083	Messina	17.4	65,155	2,062	0	13,432	1,005	93,336	52,551	6,483	1,776	102	376,100	106	0
084	Agrigento	17.9	3,567	1,073	0	2,436	237	46,636	1,332	19	20	0	26,829	0	35,568
085	Caltanissetta	16.8	5,459	1,216	0	116	28	48,617	1,889	332	30	0	76,878	0	0
086	Enna	16.1	48,664	1,489	0	4,227	440	110,030	5,190	594	172	5	65,692	0	0
087	Catania	17.4	17,120	2,856	0	311	110	38,035	2,502	1,389	5	16	241,512	212	16,676
088	Ragusa	18.1	49,505	26,664	0	4,967	315	18,496	0	903	90	392,370	721,491	0	561
089	Siracusa	17.8	57,381	8,293	71	16,803	35	75,830	6,523	1,098	426	242,604	654,764	0	30,031
090	Sassari	15.1	117,502	2,374	0	31,935	14,538	1,217,792	30,994	5,935	1,098	0	100,557	0	140,560
091	Nuoro	14.9	64,036	5,800	0	35,439	13,568	918,328	85,029	10,951	687	42,136	211,093	282,830	272,447
092	Cagliari	15.8	16,639	1,074	0	82,024	23,342	819,856	156,043	2,633	856	67,976	681,328	920,414	464
093	Pordenone	13.8	26,760	14,452	0	147,435	40,071	997	0	665	10	1,303,096	262,413	138,240	78,768
094	Isernia	13.1	16,093	7,221	131	11,785	174	45,531	3,122	1,008	35	641,701	1,511	0	14,747
095	Oristano	16.6	37,907	24,089	0	11,760	7,127	455,419	10,775	3,026	556	14,240	6,134	767	25,286
096	Biella	12.4	8,850	3,617	0	16,082	5,709	13,521	2,721	606	240	222	765	97,447	0
097	Lecco	12.5	4,335	1,634	0	2,460	339	1,924	1,189	1,908	277	288,301	5,001	1,219	7,950
098	Lodi	13.6	53,611	46,294	353	358,589	25,804	0	6	745	0	16	1,257,958	92	0
099	Rimini	13.5	4,523	166	0	22,083	1,454	7,946	0	1,077	150	184,953	145,785	621,136	0
100	Prato	14.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	187	0	0	0	0	0
101	Crotone	16.8	21,933	846	0	3,727	50	44,091	21,369	756	235	373,670	102,356	77	4,724

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102	Vibo Valentia	15.3	6,206	2,529	3	2,082	108	48,520	3,067	143	0	235	52,649	0	1,697
103	Verbano-Cusio-Ossola	11.6	2,570	2,567	0	163	7	12,443	11,160	624	200	381	1,854	223	1,049
Total			4,409,921	1,842,004	205,093	8,478,427	721,843	7,954,167	945,895	278,471	30,254	97,532,025	52,692,584	38,370,412	20,504,282
N animals in temperate zone			794,593	240,996	184,001	354,560	56,455	4,055,304	574,903	55,655	10,226	3,649,259	5,567,619	1,218,114	1,732,221
% animals in temperate zone			18.02	13.08	89.72	4.18	7.82	50.98	60.78	19.99	33.80	3.74	10.57	3.17	8.45

(1) Temperature data above 1000 m were not considered; (2) 2005 FSS data before recalculation based on the updated estimate of laying hens and broilers described in the paragraph 5.3.2 Other livestock categories.

**Table A.7.14. Data, parameters and equations used to estimate CH4 emission from manure management for cattle and buffalo (solid manure)**

**CATTLE and BUFFALO**

heads (heads)	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Calf	300,000	458,966	498,000	500,000	507,452	492,126	492,461	485,250	468,628	461,677
Male cattle	1,994,704	1,829,546	1,564,000	1,372,963	1,116,364	959,551	1,012,847	1,035,862	1,059,268	1,048,733
Female cattle	2,503,044	2,242,966	2,428,000	2,065,176	2,090,412	2,183,502	2,302,364	2,346,675	2,387,475	2,468,778
Other non dairy cattle	312,649	657,856	588,000	471,733	372,089	319,685	300,331	290,486	314,501	352,442
Dairy cattle	2,641,755	2,079,783	2,065,000	1,842,004	1,746,140	1,826,484	1,821,764	1,791,120	1,693,332	1,643,117
Cow buffalo	61,800	93,528	116,800	137,242	244,999	230,323	238,702	249,059	246,152	232,405
Other buffaloes	32,700	54,876	76,000	67,851	120,487	144,135	146,419	151,733	155,185	169,681

**solid manure**

solid manure (m3 head-1day-1)	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	average m3/head	average m3/head
Calf	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
Male cattle	0.0177	0.0187	0.0181	0.0188	0.0175	0.0154	0.0149	0.0151	0.0152	0.0153	0.0187	0.017
Female cattle	0.0207	0.0207	0.0211	0.0214	0.0197	0.0179	0.0175	0.0174	0.0176	0.0173	0.021	0.020
Other non dairy cattle	0.0356	0.0356	0.0356	0.0356	0.0326	0.0287	0.0280	0.0280	0.0280	0.0280	0.036	0.032
Dairy cattle	0.05038	0.0504	0.0504	0.0504	0.0452	0.0366	0.0352	0.0352	0.0352	0.0352	0.050	0.043
Cow buffalo	0.0598	0.0583	0.0568	0.0563	0.0466	0.0357	0.0335	0.0335	0.0335	0.0335	0.058	0.046
Other buffaloes	0.0187	0.0182	0.0178	0.0174	0.0165	0.0154	0.0152	0.0152	0.0152	0.0152	0.018	0.016

CH4 EF per solid manure model 1990-2000	temperature	temp storage	storage time (days)	FECH4 (g/m3 day-1) methane emission rate	Calf m3/head	Male cattle m3/head	Female cattle m3/head	Other non dairy cattle m3/head	Dairy cattle m3/head	Cow buffalo m3/head	Other buffaloes m3/head	Calf g CH4/head										
												Male cattle g CH4/head	Female cattle g CH4/head	Other non dairy cattle g CH4/head	Dairy cattle g CH4/head	Cow buffalo g CH4/head	Other buffaloes g CH4/head					
january	5.1	11.3	75.00	0.31	0.00	41.63	48.72	82.79	117.13	135.58	42.40	0	12.91	15.11	25.68	36.34	42.06	13.15				
february	6.3	12.7	105.00	0.36	0.00	52.64	61.61	104.69	148.12	171.45	53.61	0	18.89	22.10	37.56	53.14	61.51	19.24				
march	9.2	17.0	150.00	0.55	0.00	8.33	9.74	16.56	23.43	27.12	8.48	0	4.57	5.35	9.10	12.87	14.90	4.66				
april	12.3	23.4	45.00	1.04	0.00	24.17	28.29	48.07	68.01	81.35	25.44	0	25.10	29.38	49.92	70.63	81.75	25.57				
may	17.1	37.9	75.00	4.43	0.00	41.63	48.72	82.79	117.13	135.58	42.40	0	184.31	215.71	366.52	518.59	600.26	187.71				
june	20.8	55.4	105.00	25.61	0.00	56.40	66.01	112.16	158.70	183.69	57.44	0	1,444.28	1,690.35	2,872.20	4,063.85	4,703.87	1,471.00				
july	23.6	73.2	150.00	100.00	0.00	8.33	9.74	16.56	23.43	27.12	8.48	0	832.58	974.44	1,655.74	2,342.70	2,711.65	847.99				
august	23.3	71.5	45.00	100.00	0.00	24.98	29.23	49.67	70.28	81.35	25.44	0	2,497.75	2,923.31	4,967.22	7,028.09	8,134.95	2,543.96				
september	19.6	48.8	75.00	13.17	0.00	40.29	47.15	80.12	113.36	131.21	41.03	0	530.76	621.19	1,055.51	1,493.43	1,728.63	540.58				
october	14.6	29.4	105.00	1.89	0.00	38.28	45.21	78.29	109.82	129.36	43.69	0	1,102.25	1,290.04	2,192.26	3,102.22	3,599.08	1,122.29				
november	8.7	16.3	150.00	0.51	0.00	8.06	9.43	16.02	22.67	26.42	8.21	0	4.11	4.81	8.18	11.57	13.40	4.19				
december	6.1	12.4	45.00	0.35	0.00	24.98	29.23	49.67	70.28	81.35	25.44	0	8.66	10.14	17.23	24.37	28.21	8.82				
Total	13.9	27.4	1.56	0.00	389.70	456.10	774.99	1096.53	1289.23	396.91	0	0	5,674.64	6,641	11,284	15,966	18,480	5,779				
VS production (g VS/head day-1)												1916.29	2242.78	3810.87	5391.98	6241.17	9951.74	8112	8112	8112	8112	8112
Specific conversion factor (gCH4/KgVS head day-1)												8.112	8.112	8.112	8.112	8.112	8.112	8.112				

CH4 EF per solid manure model 2001-2019	temperature	temp storage	storage time (days)	FECH4 (g/m3 day-1) methane emission rate	Calf m3/head	Male cattle m3/head	Female cattle m3/head	Other non dairy cattle m3/head	Dairy cattle m3/head	Cow buffalo m3/head	Other buffaloes m3/head	Calf g CH4/head										
												Male cattle g CH4/head	Female cattle g CH4/head	Other non dairy cattle g CH4/head	Dairy cattle g CH4/head	Cow buffalo g CH4/head	Other buffaloes g CH4/head					
january	4.7	10.9	75.00	0.30	0.00	39.63	45.81	74.85	100.66	106.13	38.22	0	11.76	13.60	22.22	29.88	31.51	11.35				
february	5.4	11.6	105.00	0.32	0.00	50.11	57.93	94.65	127.29	134.21	48.33	0	16.00	18.50	30.22	40.65	42.85	15.43				
march	9.3	17.2	150.00	0.56	0.00	7.95	9.16	14.97	20.15	21.23	7.64	0	4.44	5.13	8.28	11.27	11.88	4.28				
april	12.7	24.4	45.00	1.15	0.00	23.01	26.60	43.46	58.45	61.62	22.19	0	26.50	30.64	50.05	67.32	70.97	25.56				
may	17.6	40.1	75.00	5.55	0.00	39.63	45.81	74.85	100.66	106.13	38.22	0	219.79	254.07	415.12	588.27	588.60	211.95				
june	21.5	59.3	105.00	37.71	0.00	53.69	62.07	101.41	136.38	143.79	51.78	0	2,024.55	2,340.37	3,823.80	5,142.47	5,421.83	1,952.39				
july	24.2	78.2	150.00	100.00	0.00	7.95	9.16	14.97	20.15	21.23	7.64	0	792.61	916.25	1,497.01	2,013.27	2,122.64	764.36				
august	23.9	75.9	45.00	100.00	0.00	23.78	27.49	44.91	60.40	63.68	22.93	0	2,377.82	2,748.76	4,491.04	6,039.81	6,367.91	2,292.07				
september	19.8	50.1	75.00	15.08	0.00	38.35	44.33	72.44	97.42	102.71	36.99	0	578.36	668.58	1,092.36	1,469.07	1,548.87	557.75				
october	15.0	30.6	105.00	2.13	0.00	55.48	64.14	104.79	140.93	148.58	53.51	0	1,182.26	1,367.71	2,233.35	3,003.38	3,167.70	1,144.04				
november	9.1	16.9	150.00	0.55	0.00	7.67	8.87	14.49	19.48	20.54	7.40	0	4.18	4.84	7.90	10.63	11.20	4.03				
december	5.3	11.4	45.00	0.31	0.00	23.78	27.49	44.91	60.40	63.68	22.93	0	7.47	8.64	14.12	18.98	20.01	7.21				
Total	14.0	27.9	1.63	0.00	370.99	428.87	708.70	942.34	993.53	357.77	0	0	6,182	7,146	11,676	15,702	16,555	5,961				
VS production (g VS/head day-1)												1824.28	2108.86	3445.54	4633.77	4885.49	1759.26	9284	9284	9284	9284	9284
Specific conversion factor (gCH4/KgVS head day-1)												4.382	4.382	4.382	4.382	4.382	4.382	4.382				

VS production (g VS/head day-1)	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Calf	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Male cattle	1896.0	2001.1	1932.3	2012.2	1867.8	1650.2	1900.4	1612.2	1625.7	1633.1
Female cattle	2210.8	2216.4	2254.2	2289.8	2109.9	1911.2	1872.9	1863.8	1879.9	1851.2
Other non dairy cattle	3810.9	3810.9	3810.9	3810.9	3484.2	3075.9	2994.3	2994.3	2994.3	2994.3
Dairy cattle	5392.0	5392.0	5392.0	5392.0	4618.6	3912.3	3711.0	3711.0	3711.0	3711.0
Cow buffalo	6403.9	6241.2	6078.4	5915.7	4984.8	3821.3	3588.6	3588.6	3588.6	3588.6
Other buffaloes	1998.6	1951.7	1904.9	1885.1	1767.0	1653.1	1630.3	1630.3	1630.3	1630.3

CH4 EF (kg CH4/head year)	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Calf	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Male cattle	5.61	5.93	5.72	6.82	6.33	5.59	5.39	5.46	5.51	5.53
Female cattle	6.55	6.56	6.67	7.76	7.15	6.48	6.35	6.32	6.37	6.27
Other non dairy cattle	11.28	11.28	11.28	12.91	11.81	10.42	10.15	10.15	10.15	10.15
Dairy cattle	15.97	15.97	15.97	18.27	15.65	13.26	12.78	12.78	12.78	12.78
Cow buffalo	18.96	18.48	18.00	20.05	16.89	12.95	12.16	12.16	12.16	12.16
Other buffaloes	5.92	5.78	5.64	6.30	5.99	5.60	5.52	5.52	5.52	5.52

**Table A.7.15. Data, parameters and equations used to estimate CH4 emission from manure management for cattle and buffalo (slurry manure)**

												average m3/heads	
slurry (m3 head-1 day-1)												day-1 1990-2000	day-1 2001-2019
	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019			
Calf	0.024	0.024	0.024	0.024	0.024	0.024	0.024	0.024	0.024	0.024	0.024	0.024	
Male cattle	0.018	0.019	0.019	0.019	0.020	0.019	0.019	0.020	0.020	0.020	0.018	0.019	
Female cattle	0.011	0.011	0.011	0.011	0.011	0.010	0.010	0.010	0.010	0.010	0.011	0.011	
Other non dairy cattle	0.0153	0.0153	0.0153	0.0153	0.0138	0.0120	0.0116	0.0116	0.0116	0.0116	0.015	0.014	
Dairy cattle	0.021	0.021	0.021	0.021	0.030	0.030	0.030	0.030	0.03048	0.0305	0.021	0.027	
Cow buffalo	0.016	0.017	0.018	0.019	0.019	0.019	0.019	0.019	0.019	0.019	0.017	0.019	
Other buffaloes	0.011	0.012	0.012	0.012	0.011	0.010	0.010	0.010	0.010	0.010	0.012	0.011	

CH4 EF per slurry manure model	temperature	storage time (days)	FE CH4 (g/m3 day) - methane emission rate	Calf m3/head	Male cattle m3/head	Female cattle m3/head	Other non dairy cattle m3/head	Dairy cattle m3/head	Cow buffalo m3/head	Other buffaloes m3/head	Calf g CH4/head		Male cattle g CH4/head		Female cattle g CH4/head		Other non dairy cattle g CH4/head		Dairy cattle g CH4/head		Cow buffalo g CH4/head		Other buffaloes g CH4/head		
											1990-2000	2001-2019	1990-2000	2001-2019	1990-2000	2001-2019	1990-2000	2001-2019	1990-2000	2001-2019	1990-2000	2001-2019			
january	5.1	75.00	3.66	55.00	42.96	25.43	35.48	49.87	38.63	27.04	201.1	157.09	92.98	129.73	182.36	141.23	98.87								
february	6.3	105.00	4.22	69.55	54.33	32.16	44.87	63.07	48.84	34.19	293.5	229.27	135.71	189.34	266.15	206.12	144.29								
march	9.2	15.00	5.94	11.00	8.59	5.09	7.10	9.97	7.73	5.41	65.3	51.01	30.19	42.12	59.21	45.86	32.10								
april	12.3	45.00	8.65	31.94	24.95	14.77	20.60	28.96	22.43	15.70	276.2	215.75	127.70	178.17	250.45	193.96	135.78								
may	17.1	75.00	15.31	55.00	42.96	25.43	35.48	49.87	38.63	27.04	842.1	657.76	389.33	543.19	763.55	591.35	413.96								
june	20.8	105.00	24.02	74.52	58.21	34.45	48.07	67.57	52.33	36.63	1,790.3	1,398.42	827.73	1,154.84	1,623.33	1,257.21	880.08								
july	23.6	15.00	33.41	11.00	8.59	5.09	7.10	9.97	7.73	5.41	367.5	287.07	169.92	237.07	333.24	258.08	180.66								
august	23.3	45.00	32.45	33.00	25.78	15.26	21.29	29.92	23.18	16.22	1,071.1	836.61	495.19	690.89	971.16	752.13	526.51								
september	19.6	75.00	20.65	53.23	41.58	24.61	34.34	48.26	37.38	26.17	1,099.4	858.75	508.30	709.17	996.87	772.04	540.45								
october	14.6	105.00	11.33	77.01	60.15	35.60	49.67	69.82	54.08	37.85	872.6	681.61	403.45	562.89	791.24	612.79	428.97								
november	8.7	15.00	5.63	10.65	8.32	4.92	6.87	9.65	7.48	5.23	60.0	46.85	27.73	38.69	54.39	42.12	29.49								
december	6.1	45.00	4.09	33.00	25.78	15.26	21.29	29.92	23.18	16.22	134.9	105.37	62.37	87.02	122.32	94.73	66.31								
Total	13.9		10.45	514.91	402.19	238.06	332.14	466.88	361.58	253.12	7,074.1	5,525.6	3,270.6	4,563.1	6,414.3	4,967.6	3,477.5								
VS production (g VS/head day-1)											1123.733	877.749	519.545	724.863	1018.921	789.118	552.404								
Specific conversion factor (gCH4/Kg VS head day-1)											17.247	17.247	17.247	17.247	17.247	17.247	17.247								

CH4 EF per slurry manure model	temperature	storage time	FE CH4	Calf	Male cattle	Female	Other non	Dairy cattle	Cow buffalo	Other buffaloes	Calf g CH4/head		Male cattle g CH4/head		Female cattle g CH4/head		Other non dairy cattle g CH4/head		Dairy cattle g CH4/head		Cow buffalo g CH4/head		Other buffaloes g CH4/head		
											1990-2000	2001-2019	1990-2000	2001-2019	1990-2000	2001-2019	1990-2000	2001-2019	1990-2000	2001-2019	1990-2000	2001-2019			
january	4.7	75.00	3.49	55.00	45.03	24.50	31.71	62.90	43.55	26.20	191.9	157.09	85.46	110.62	219.45	151.91	91.39								
february	5.4	105.00	3.77	69.55	56.94	30.98	40.10	79.54	55.06	33.12	262.1	214.54	116.71	151.08	299.70	207.47	124.80								
march	9.3	15.00	6.01	11.00	9.01	4.90	6.34	12.58	8.71	5.24	66.2	54.16	29.46	38.14	75.65	52.37	31.51								
april	12.7	45.00	9.10	31.94	26.15	14.22	18.41	36.53	25.28	15.21	290.7	238.02	129.48	167.61	332.50	230.18	138.46								
may	17.6	75.00	16.39	55.00	45.03	24.50	31.71	62.90	43.55	26.20	901.7	738.18	401.57	519.83	1,031.21	713.86	429.43								
june	21.5	105.00	26.02	74.52	61.01	33.19	42.96	85.23	59.00	35.49	1,939.2	1,587.52	863.62	1,117.95	2,217.70	1,535.22	923.53								
july	24.2	15.00	36.08	11.00	9.01	4.90	6.34	12.58	8.71	5.24	396.9	324.92	176.76	228.81	453.90	314.21	189.02								
august	23.9	45.00	34.84	33.00	27.02	14.70	19.03	37.74	26.13	15.72	1,149.8	941.30	512.07	662.87	1,314.96	910.29	547.59								
september	19.8	75.00	21.33	53.23	43.58	23.71	30.69	60.88	42.14	25.35	1,135.5	929.63	505.72	654.65	1,298.65	899.00	540.80								
october	15.0	105.00	11.88	77.01	63.04	34.30	44.39	88.07	60.96	36.67	914.7	748.86	407.38	527.35	1,046.12	724.18	435.64								
november	9.1	15.00	5.91	10.65	8.72	4.74	6.14	12.18	8.43	5.07	62.9	51.47	28.00	36.25	71.91	49.78	29.94								
december	5.3	45.00	3.71	33.00	27.02	14.70	19.03	37.74	26.13	15.72	122.3	100.15	54.48	70.53	139.90	96.85	58.26								
Total	14.0		10.65	514.91	421.54	229.32	296.85	588.87	407.65	245.23	7,433.8	6,085.8	3,310.7	4,285.7	8,501.6	5,885.3	3,540.4								
VS production (g VS/head day-1)											1123.733	919.965	500.465	647.846	1285.150	889.654	535.181								
Specific conversion factor (gCH4/Kg VS head day-1)											18.124	18.124	18.124	18.124	18.124	18.124	18.124								

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
VS production (g VS head-1 day-1)	1123.7	1123.7	1123.7	1123.7	1123.7	1123.7	1123.7	1123.7	1123.7	1123.7
Calf	868.4	916.6	885.1	921.7	929.9	925.2	915.3	927.8	935.6	939.8
Male cattle	518.9	516.9	520.8	536.7	508.7	464.1	454.6	456.7	459.3	458.4
Female cattle	724.9	724.9	724.9	724.9	656.0	569.9	552.7	552.7	552.7	552.7
Other non dairy cattle	1018.9	1018.9	1018.9	1018.9	1427.1	1444.4	1447.8	1447.8	1447.8	1447.8
Dairy cattle	737.9	789.1	840.4	891.6	892.9	894.6	895.0	895.0	895.0	895.0
Cow buffalo	540.5	552.4	564.3	576.2	540.2	495.3	486.3	486.3	486.3	486.3
Other buffaloes										

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
CH4 EF (kg CH4/head year)	7.0741	7.07	7.07	7.43	7.43	7.43	7.43	7.43	7.43	7.43
Calf	5.47	5.77	5.77	6.10	6.15	6.12	6.05	6.14	6.19	6.22
Male cattle	3.27	3.25	3.28	3.55	3.37	3.07	3.01	3.02	3.04	3.03
Female cattle	4.56	4.56	4.56	4.80	4.34	3.77	3.66	3.66	3.66	3.66
Other non dairy cattle	6.41	6.41	6.41	6.74	9.44	9.56	9.58	9.58	9.58	9.58
Dairy cattle	4.65	4.97	5.29	5.90	5.91	5.92	5.92	5.92	5.92	5.92
Cow buffalo	3.40	3.48	3.55	3.81	3.57	3.28	3.22	3.22	3.22	3.22
Other buffaloes										

**Table A.7.16. Data, parameters and equations used to estimate CH<sub>4</sub> emission from manure management for cattle and buffalo (total manure)**

<b>Total (solid manure and slurry)</b>										
	<b>1990</b>	<b>1995</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>
<b>Total SV (kg dm/head/day)</b>										
Calf	1.12	1.12	1.12	1.12	1.12	1.12	1.12	1.12	1.12	1.12
Male cattle	2.76	2.92	2.82	2.93	2.80	2.58	2.51	2.54	2.56	2.57
Female cattle	2.73	2.73	2.77	2.83	2.62	2.38	2.33	2.32	2.34	2.31
Other non dairy cattle	4.54	4.54	4.54	4.54	4.14	3.65	3.55	3.55	3.55	3.55
Dairy cattle	6.41	6.41	6.41	6.41	6.05	5.36	5.22	5.22	5.22	5.22
Cow buffalo	7.14	7.03	6.92	6.81	5.88	4.72	4.48	4.48	4.48	4.48
Other buffaloes	2.54	2.50	2.47	2.43	2.31	2.15	2.12	2.12	2.12	2.12
<b>Total average SV (kg dm/head/day)</b>										
cattle	4.00	3.89	3.90	3.90	3.65	3.314	3.208	3.194	3.170	3.137
dairy cattle	6.41	6.41	6.41	6.41	6.05	5.36	5.22	5.22	5.22	5.22
non dairy cattle	2.76	2.88	2.86	2.85	2.62	2.37	2.32	2.32	2.35	2.35
buffalo	5.55	5.36	5.16	5.36	4.70	3.73	3.58	3.59	3.57	3.49
<b>Total CH<sub>4</sub> EF (kg CH<sub>4</sub>/head/year)</b>										
Calf	7.07	7.07	7.07	7.43	7.43	7.43	7.43	7.43	7.43	7.43
Male cattle	11.08	11.70	11.29	12.92	12.48	11.71	11.44	11.60	11.70	11.75
Female cattle	9.81	9.82	9.95	11.31	10.51	9.55	9.35	9.34	9.41	9.31
Other non dairy cattle	15.85	15.85	15.85	17.71	16.15	14.19	13.80	13.80	13.80	13.80
Dairy cattle	22.38	22.38	22.38	25.01	25.09	22.81	22.36	22.36	22.36	22.36
Cow buffalo	23.61	23.45	23.29	25.94	22.80	18.87	18.08	18.08	18.08	18.08
Other buffaloes	9.32	9.26	9.19	10.11	9.56	8.88	8.74	8.74	8.74	8.74
<b>CH<sub>4</sub> emissions (t)</b>										
Calf	2,122	3,247	2,886	3,717	3,772	3,658	3,661	3,607	3,484	3,434
Male cattle	22,103	21,398	17,663	17,733	13,933	11,238	11,591	12,017	12,391	12,324
Female cattle	24,562	22,018	24,166	23,356	21,980	20,845	21,536	21,911	22,463	22,972
Other non dairy cattle	4,955	10,425	9,318	8,354	6,008	4,537	4,145	4,009	4,341	4,865
Dairy cattle	59,123	46,546	46,215	46,072	43,813	41,666	40,728	40,043	37,857	36,734
Cow buffalo	1,459	2,193	2,701	3,561	5,577	4,346	4,316	4,503	4,451	4,206
Other buffaloes	305	508	699	686	1,152	1,280	1,280	1,326	1,357	1,483
totale	114,628	106,334	103,649	103,479	96,235	87,570	87,257	87,417	86,343	86,017
<b>Total CH<sub>4</sub> IEF (kg CH<sub>4</sub>/head year)</b>										
fe other cattle (kg/head)	<b>10.52</b>	<b>11.00</b>	<b>10.83</b>	<b>12.05</b>	<b>11.18</b>	<b>10.18</b>	<b>9.96</b>	<b>9.99</b>	<b>10.09</b>	<b>10.06</b>
fe dairy cattle (kg/head)	<b>22.38</b>	<b>22.38</b>	<b>22.38</b>	<b>25.01</b>	<b>25.09</b>	<b>22.81</b>	<b>22.36</b>	<b>22.36</b>	<b>22.36</b>	<b>22.36</b>
fe buffalo (kg/head)	<b>18.66</b>	<b>18.20</b>	<b>17.71</b>	<b>20.70</b>	<b>18.43</b>	<b>15.02</b>	<b>14.53</b>	<b>14.55</b>	<b>14.47</b>	<b>14.14</b>
<b>Bo (m<sup>3</sup> CH<sub>4</sub>/kg VS)</b>										
Calf	0.283	0.283	0.291	0.295	0.299	0.349	0.358	0.358	0.358	0.358
Male cattle	0.181	0.181	0.185	0.196	0.202	0.240	0.247	0.247	0.247	0.247
Female cattle	0.162	0.162	0.166	0.178	0.182	0.212	0.217	0.218	0.218	0.218
Other non dairy cattle	0.157	0.157	0.162	0.174	0.176	0.205	0.210	0.210	0.210	0.210
Dairy cattle	0.192	0.192	0.198	0.218	0.186	0.219	0.218	0.218	0.218	0.218
Cow buffalo	0.178	0.174	0.169	0.182	0.178	0.170	0.166	0.166	0.166	0.166
Other buffaloes	0.198	0.192	0.187	0.199	0.190	0.175	0.170	0.170	0.170	0.170

### A7.3 Agricultural soils (3D)

#### Sewage sludge applied to soils

In Table A.7.17 parameters used for estimating direct and indirect N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from sewage sludge applied to soils are presented.

**Table A.7.17 Time series of sewage sludge activity data**

Year	Total amount sewage sludge for agriculture (t dry matter)	N content (%)	N sewage sludge (t)
1990	98,164	5.2	5,071
1995	157,512	5.2	8,137
2000	217,424	5.0	10,954
2005	215,742	4.1	8,874
2010	248,215	4.0	10,040
2011	299,159	3.7	11,119
2012	274,095	4.7	12,864
2013	203,545	4.0	8,053
2014	201,156	4.1	8,301
2015	222,225	3.7	8,303
2016	191,410	3.9	7,410
2017	172,844	4.1	7,116
2018	173,358	4.2	7,247
2019	168,417	4.1	6,977

Source: ISPRA elaborations from MATTM (MATTM, 2014)

#### Bedding material in the estimates for the category animal manure applied to soils

A description of the types of agricultural residues considered in the estimates of the animal manure applied to soils (3Da2a), crop residues (3Da4) and field burning of agricultural residues (3F) categories is reported.

First of all, the agricultural residues are distinguished between removable and fixed. The last term is used to differentiate them from removable residues (such as straw and cereal stalks and residues of woody crops), “fixed” (no-removable) residues refer to residues which remain on the ground after harvest. The fixed residues include the remaining cereal stalks and the residues of other crops (such as beans, tubers, forages, grass, vegetables, etc.). The distinction between fixed and removable residues is required in the UNECE/LRTAP Convention.

From the cultivation of the crop (e.g. wheat), the product (grain), the removable residue (straw and wheat stalks) and the fixed residue (portion of the wheat stalks that remains on the ground after harvest) are obtained. As regards the removable residues, it is assumed that a portion (10% of residues) is burnt (first is removed from the field and then burned in the open air) and the corresponding emissions are reported in the waste sector (5C open burning of agricultural waste). Another portion (90% of residues) is used for various purposes (feed, bedding, construction, etc.). As regards the fixed residues, it is assumed that a portion (10% of residues) is burnt (the combustion of the residues takes place in the field) and the corresponding emissions are reported in the agriculture sector in 3F field burning of agricultural residues category. Another portion (90% of residues) is returned to soils and the corresponding emissions are reported in crop residues category (3Da4).

Considering the example of wheat, the total amount of durum wheat residues is thus distributed (2019 data):

72% are the removable residues used for various purposes (feed, bedding, construction, etc.),

18% are the fixed residues returned to soils,

8% are the removable residues burnt (removed from the field and then burned in the open air),

2% are the fixed residues burnt (the combustion of the residues takes place in the field).

As regard the estimate of the amount of straw used as bedding and the nitrogen content (see Table A.7.18), the following data are used: the number of dairy cattle, non-dairy cattle and buffalo (excluding pigs for which assumes only the liquid storage); the average weight of the subcategories of cattle and buffalo categorie; the types of housings in each subcategory; the amount of straw per day (per tonnes of live weight, per type of housing for cattle and buffalo subcategories); the nitrogen content in straw. Data on the amount of straw per day (per tonnes of live weight, per type of housing, for cattle and buffalo) are contained in the Ministerial Decree of 25 February 2016 on the use of zootechnical effluents, combined with the manure production coefficients used in the estimation of methane emissions from storage. As recommended during the 2019

UNFCCC review, data on the quantity of bedding material used in solid manure management system are provided for 2019: 1.54 kg dm (straw)/head/day for dairy cattle and fattening cattle; 1.69 kg dm (straw)/head/day for replacement cows; 2.37 kg dm (straw)/head/day for other non dairy cattle; 2.52 kg dm (straw)/head/day for buffalo. The amount of nitrogen estimated from bedding materials was added to the nitrogen input from manure applied to soils (3Da2a category) to estimate N<sub>2</sub>O emissions.

**Table A.7.18 Time series of estimated annual straw consumption (dry matter) and N content**

Year	Dairy cattle – straw consumed	Non-dairy cattle – straw consumed	Buffalo – straw consumed	Total straw consumed	N in organic bedding material (straw consumed)
tons					
1990	1,925,023	2,751,265	92,810	4,769,098	24,386
1995	1,515,519	2,875,642	142,710	4,533,872	22,984
2000	1,504,747	2,736,879	180,616	4,422,241	22,391
2005	1,342,252	2,384,220	188,792	3,915,264	19,760
2010	1,089,271	2,182,826	336,073	3,608,171	18,115
2011	1,076,991	2,201,402	326,226	3,604,619	18,123
2012	1,120,770	2,136,826	320,846	3,578,443	17,890
2013	1,104,980	2,164,916	370,279	3,640,175	18,183
2014	1,067,938	2,107,572	339,876	3,515,386	17,555
2015	1,046,789	2,125,178	344,426	3,516,394	17,612
2016	1,025,612	2,212,402	354,258	3,592,272	17,960
2017	1,008,360	2,248,942	368,682	3,625,984	18,221
2018	953,307	2,324,422	369,140	3,646,869	18,348
2019	925,037	2,382,597	369,824	3,677,459	18,587

### Crop residues (FCR)

In Tables A.7.19-24, the cultivated surface, crops production, residues production and parameters used for emission calculation of nitrogen input from crop residues (FCR) for each type of crop are shown, respectively. As recommended during the 2019 UNFCCC review, to enhance transparency on the total amount of crop residues generated and shares of the crop residue amounts used for different purposes (such as bedding material (3.D.a.2.a), left on fields (3.D.a.4), burnt on-site (3.F) and off-site (1.A, 5.C.2)), a flow-chart is reported in Figure A.7.1.

**Table A.7.19 Cultivated surfaces for the estimation of crop residues**

<b>Cultivated surfaces (ha)</b>	<b>1990</b>	<b>1995</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>
Sorghum	23,676	34,417	33,900	31,578	40,311	45,374	43,840	40,901	39,596	46,799
Asparagus	6,046	6,520	5,516	6,442	6,359	6,397	6,476	6,687	6,863	7,158
Salad	48,725	49,288	51,219	50,010	47,371	40,647	43,427	43,240	43,661	42,443
Spinach	7,573	7,959	6,992	7,367	6,406	6,461	6,502	5,974	6,593	6,287
Cauliflower	19,405	23,991	24,827	18,150	17,867	15,624	16,259	15,956	15,860	15,670
Pumpkin and zucchini	13,253	13,490	14,621	16,736	17,354	18,614	19,234	18,737	18,671	19,084
Cucumber	4,373	3,814	2,048	2,331	2,219	2,071	2,082	2,038	2,029	2,055
Eggplant	10,574	10,334	12,355	12,169	10,816	10,148	10,031	9,449	9,560	9,535
Pepper and chili	14,864	13,099	14,489	13,787	11,881	11,521	11,037	10,323	10,522	10,284
Onion	17,453	15,725	14,562	12,281	12,603	11,877	12,710	12,248	11,597	14,064
Garlic	4,707	4,070	3,677	3,163	2,966	3,044	3,303	3,473	3,573	3,411
Bean, freshseed	29,096	23,943	23,448	23,146	19,027	17,059	18,686	18,618	18,368	18,253
Bean, dryseed	23,002	14,462	11,046	8,755	7,001	5,870	5,895	6,001	6,411	5,587
Broadbean, freshseed	16,564	14,180	11,998	9,484	8,487	7,914	7,592	7,553	7,985	7,624
Broadbean, dryseed	104,045	63,257	47,841	48,507	52,108	42,157	50,167	51,135	50,421	60,007
Pea, freshseed	28,192	21,582	11,403	11,636	8,691	14,940	16,255	15,232	15,559	16,197
Pea, dryseed	10,127	6,625	4,498	11,134	11,692	11,181	14,113	17,046	17,916	22,926
Chickpea	4,624	3,023	3,996	5,256	6,813	11,167	13,940	20,025	26,024	20,999
Lentil	1,048	1,038	1,016	1,786	2,458	3,099	3,215	4,981	5,417	5,861
Vetch	5,768	6,532	6,800	7,656	8,000	8,230	8,230	8,230	8,230	8,230
Lupin	3,303	3,070	3,300	2,500	4,000	4,620	4,620	4,620	4,620	4,620
Soyabean	521,169	195,191	256,647	152,331	159,511	308,979	288,060	322,417	326,587	273,332
Alfalfa	987,000	823,834	810,866	779,430	745,128	667,325	677,524	682,160	695,492	719,073
Clovergrass	224,087	125,009	114,844	103,677	102,691	119,942	124,864	118,390	124,375	127,087
Other forages	563,734	1,343,541	1,320,196	1,160,316	1,247,097	1,313,522	1,437,071	1,457,308	1,581,543	1,612,990
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,692,408</b>	<b>2,827,994</b>	<b>2,812,104</b>	<b>2,499,628</b>	<b>2,558,857</b>	<b>2,707,782</b>	<b>2,845,133</b>	<b>2,902,743</b>	<b>3,057,472</b>	<b>3,079,576</b>

**Table A.7.20 Crops production for the estimation of crop residues**

<b>Crops production (t)</b>	<b>1990</b>	<b>1995</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>
<b>Wheat</b>	8,108,500	7,946,081	7,427,660	7,717,129	6,849,858	7,394,495	8,037,872	6,966,465	6,932,943	6,576,584
<b>Rice</b>	1,290,700	1,320,851	1,245,555	1,444,818	1,574,320	1,505,804	1,598,027	1,516,033	1,480,887	1,498,133
<b>Barley</b>	1,702,500	1,387,069	1,261,560	1,214,054	944,257	955,131	988,285	984,281	1,010,328	1,072,447
<b>Maize, stalks</b>	5,863,900	8,454,198	10,139,639	10,427,930	8,495,946	7,073,897	6,839,499	6,048,499	6,179,035	6,258,747
<b>Maize, cobs</b>	5,863,900	8,454,198	10,139,639	10,427,930	8,495,946	7,073,897	6,839,499	6,048,499	6,179,035	6,258,747
<b>Rye</b>	20,800	19,780	10,292	7,876	13,926	13,183	13,170	11,097	10,639	12,509
<b>Oats</b>	298,400	301,322	317,926	429,153	288,880	261,366	260,798	229,041	243,366	238,107
<b>Triticum</b>	10,480	13,210								
<b>Potatoes</b>	2,308,700	2,080,896	2,053,043	1,755,686	1,558,030	1,355,409	1,368,920	1,346,936	1,307,598	1,338,432
<b>Sweet potatoes</b>	11,300	14,273	14,496	20,251	8,681	7,547	12,456	8,494	7,480	5,534
<b>Sugar beet</b>	11,768,400	13,188,317	11,569,182	14,155,683	3,549,871	2,183,878	2,046,297	2,453,568	1,941,479	1,779,127
<b>Sunflower</b>	403,500	533,581	460,714	289,365	212,900	248,007	268,331	243,671	248,847	292,836
<b>Cabbage</b>	491,600	450,687	482,147	478,972	502,955	467,412	416,513	436,187	443,683	457,819
<b>Artichoke</b>	487,000	517,229	512,946	469,975	480,112	401,335	365,991	387,803	389,813	378,819
<b>Tomato</b>	5,469,068	5,172,611	7,487,358	7,187,014	6,026,766	6,410,249	6,437,572	6,015,868	5,798,103	5,777,614
<b>Soyabean</b>	1,750,500	732,448	908,290	553,002	552,454	1,116,982	1,081,340	1,019,781	1,138,993	1,001,154
<b>Alfalfa</b>	30,094,610	27,858,100	25,662,700	25,924,100	21,928,700	17,255,600	20,880,700	16,777,300	19,401,800	20,931,600
<b>Clovergrass</b>	6,304,100	2,899,100	2,397,800	2,203,300	1,982,500	2,107,700	2,342,800	1,936,500	2,167,700	2,190,000
<b>Other forages</b>	16,111,141	37,748,200	34,952,100	32,448,400	29,615,200	30,620,000	32,843,700	30,973,600	36,232,200	35,913,000

Table A.7.21 Parameters used for emission of nitrogen input from crop residues (FCR)

Crops	Residues/Crop product mass ratio (1)	Residues/Crop surface (t/ha) (2)	Dry matter (%) (3)	Reincorporated fraction (4)	Protein in dry matter (5)	Nitrogen in dry matter (5)	Ratio of belowground residues to above-ground biomass (RBG-BIO) (6)	N content of below-ground residues (N <sub>BG</sub> ) (6)	Dry matter fraction of harvested product (DRY) (6)	Slope (6)	Intercept (6)
Wheat	0.1725		85	0.9	0.03	0.0048	0.24	0.009			
Rice	0.1675		75	0.5	0.045	0.0072	0.16	0.014			
Barley	0.2		85	0.9	0.04	0.0064	0.22	0.014			
Maize, stalks	0.13		40	1	0.045	0.0072	0.22	0.007			
Maize, cobs	0.02		50	1	0.035	0.0056	0.22	0.007			
Rye	0.175		85	0.9	0.04	0.0064	0.24	0.011			
Oats	0.175		85	0.9	0.04	0.0064	0.25	0.008			
Sorghum		0.625		0.9	0.045	0.0072	0.24	0.006			
Triticum	0.2		85	0.9	0.04	0.0064	0.25	0.008			
Potatoes	0.4		40	0.9	0.09	0.0144	0.2	0.014			
Sweet potatoes	0.4		40	0.9	0.09	0.0144	0.2	0.014			
Sugar beet	0.07		20	0.9	0.125	0.02	0.2	0.014			
Sunflower	0.4		60	0.9	0.025	0.004	0.24	0.006			
Cabbage	2.5		15	0.9	0.175	0.028	0.2	0.014			
Artichoke	2.5		15	0.9	0.135	0.0216	0.2	0.014			
Asparagus		2.8		0.9	0.09375	0.015	0.2	0.014			
Salad		3.4		0.9	0.09375	0.015	0.2	0.014			
Spinach		3.4		0.9	0.09375	0.015	0.2	0.014			
Tomato	0.3		15	0.9	0.08	0.0128	0.2	0.014			
Cauliflower		3.8		0.9	0.09375	0.015	0.2	0.014			
Pumpkin and zucchini		9.5		0.9	0.09375	0.015	0.2	0.014			
Cucumber		8.5		0.9	0.09375	0.015	0.2	0.014			
Eggplant		9.5		0.9	0.09375	0.015	0.2	0.014			
Pepper and chili		9.5		0.9	0.09375	0.015	0.2	0.014			
Onion		0.7		0.9	0.09375	0.015	0.2	0.014			
Garlic		0.7		0.9	0.09375	0.015	0.2	0.014			
Bean,freshseed		17.7	20	0.9	0.125	0.02	0.19	0.008			

Crops	Residues/Crop product mass ratio (1)	Residues/Crop surface (t/ha) (2)	Dry matter (%) (3)	Reincorporated fraction (4)	Protein in dry matter (5)	Nitrogen in dry matter (5)	Ratio of belowground residues to above-ground biomass (RBG-BIO) (6)	N content of below-ground residues (N <sub>BG</sub> ) (6)	Dry matter fraction of harvested product (DRY) (6)	Slope (6)	Intercept (6)
Bean,dryseed		0.6699	85	0.9	0.1	0.016	0.19	0.01			
Broadbean,freshseed		17.7	20	0.9	0.125	0.02	0.19	0.008			
Broadbean,dryseed		0.6699	85	0.9	0.1	0.016	0.19	0.008			
Pea,freshseed		17.7	20	0.9	0.125	0.02	0.19	0.008			
Pea,dryseed		0.6699	85	0.9	0.1	0.016	0.19	0.008			
Chickpea		0.6699	85	0.9	0.1	0.016	0.19	0.008			
Lentil		0.6699	85	0.9	0.1	0.016	0.19	0.008			
Tare		0.6699	85	0.9	0.1	0.016	0.19	0.008			
Lupin		0.6699	85	0.9	0.1	0.016	0.19	0.008			
Soyabean		2.6	47.5	0.9	0.075	0.012	0.19	0.008			
Alfalfa			15	0.2	0.16875	0.027	0.4	0.019			
Clovergrass			15	0.2	0.16875	0.027	0.8	0.016			
Perennial grasses				0.2		0.015	0.8	0.012	0.9	0.3	0

(1) CESTAAT, 1988 and ENEA, 1994; (2) CRPA/CNR, 1992 and ENEA, 1994; (3) IPCC, 1997; CRPA/CNR, 1992; CESTAAT, 1988; Borgioli, 1981; (4) Values are the complement of the fraction of fixed residues burned (CRPA, 1997 [b]); (5) Nitrogen in dry matter is equal to raw protein in residues (dry matter fraction) (CESTAAT, 1988; Borgioli, 1981) dividing by factor 6.25 (100 g of protein/16 g of nitrogen); (6) Table 11.2 of the 2006 IPCC Guidelines.

**Table A.7.22 Fixed residues production for the estimation of crop residues**

<b>Fixed residues production (t dry matter)</b>	<b>1990</b>	<b>1995</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>
<b>Wheat</b>	1,188,909	1,165,094	1,089,081	1,131,524	1,004,360	1,084,218	1,178,553	1,021,458	1,016,543	964,292
<b>Rice</b>	162,144	165,932	156,473	181,505	197,774	189,167	200,752	190,452	186,036	188,203
<b>Barley</b>	289,425	235,802	214,465	206,389	160,524	162,372	168,008	167,328	171,756	182,316
<b>Maize, stalks</b>	304,923	439,618	527,261	542,252	441,789	367,843	355,654	314,522	321,310	325,455
<b>Maize, cobs</b>	58,639	84,542	101,396	104,279	84,959	70,739	68,395	60,485	61,790	62,587
<b>Rye</b>	3,094	2,942	1,531	1,172	2,072	1,961	1,959	1,651	1,582	1,861
<b>Oats</b>	44,387	44,822	47,292	63,837	42,971	38,878	38,794	34,070	36,201	35,418
<b>Sorghum</b>	14,798	21,511	21,188	19,736	25,194	28,359	27,400	25,563	24,748	29,249
<b>Triticum</b>	1,782	2,246								
<b>Potatoes</b>	369,392	332,943	328,487	280,910	249,285	216,865	219,027	215,510	209,216	214,149
<b>Sweet potatoes</b>	1,808	2,284	2,319	3,240	1,389	1,208	1,993	1,359	1,197	885
<b>Sugar beet</b>	164,758	184,636	161,969	198,180	49,698	30,574	28,648	34,350	27,181	24,908
<b>Sunflower</b>	96,840	128,059	110,571	69,448	51,096	59,522	64,399	58,481	59,723	70,281
<b>Cabbage</b>	184,350	169,008	180,805	179,615	188,608	175,280	156,193	163,570	166,381	171,682
<b>Artichoke</b>	182,625	193,961	192,355	176,241	180,042	150,501	137,246	145,426	146,180	142,057
<b>Asparagus</b>	16,929	18,256	15,444	18,038	17,805	17,913	18,134	18,725	19,216	20,042
<b>Salad</b>	165,665	167,579	174,144	170,035	161,060	138,199	147,651	147,015	148,447	144,305
<b>Spinach</b>	25,748	27,061	23,774	25,049	21,781	21,966	22,106	20,313	22,416	21,377
<b>Tomato</b>	246,108	232,767	336,931	323,416	271,204	288,461	289,691	270,714	260,915	259,993
<b>Cauliflower</b>	73,739	91,166	94,343	68,970	67,895	59,371	61,784	60,633	60,268	59,546
<b>Pumpkin and zucchini</b>	125,904	128,155	138,898	158,987	164,863	176,831	182,727	178,005	177,378	181,298
<b>Cucumber</b>	37,171	32,419	17,405	19,813	18,865	17,600	17,694	17,326	17,248	17,469
<b>Eggplant</b>	100,453	98,173	117,371	115,602	102,751	96,404	95,290	89,762	90,818	90,581
<b>Pepper and chili</b>	141,208	124,441	137,648	130,975	112,871	109,454	104,854	98,066	99,960	97,700
<b>Onion</b>	12,217	11,008	10,193	8,597	8,822	8,314	8,897	8,574	8,118	9,845
<b>Garlic</b>	3,295	2,849	2,574	2,214	2,076	2,131	2,312	2,431	2,501	2,388
<b>Bean,freshseed</b>	103,000	84,758	83,004	81,936	67,354	60,388	66,149	65,909	65,021	64,617
<b>Bean,dryseed</b>	13,098	8,235	6,290	4,985	3,986	3,342	3,357	3,417	3,651	3,181
<b>Broadbean,freshseed</b>	58,637	50,197	42,473	33,573	30,044	28,016	26,876	26,738	28,267	26,989
<b>Broadbean,dryseed</b>	59,245	36,019	27,241	27,621	29,671	24,005	28,566	29,117	28,710	34,169
<b>Pea,freshseed</b>	99,800	76,400	40,366	41,193	30,766	52,887	57,542	53,922	55,078	57,336
<b>Pea,dryseed</b>	5,766	3,772	2,561	6,340	6,658	6,367	8,036	9,706	10,202	13,054
<b>Chickpea</b>	2,633	1,721	2,275	2,993	3,879	6,359	7,938	11,403	14,818	11,957
<b>Lentil</b>	597	591	579	1,017	1,400	1,765	1,831	2,836	3,085	3,337
<b>Vetch</b>	3,284	3,719	3,872	4,359	4,555	4,686	4,686	4,686	4,686	4,686

<b>Fixed residues production (t dry matter)</b>	<b>1990</b>	<b>1995</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>
<b>Lupin</b>	1,881	1,748	1,879	1,424	2,278	2,631	2,631	2,631	2,631	2,631
<b>Soyabean</b>	643,644	241,061	316,959	188,129	196,996	381,589	355,754	398,185	403,335	337,565
<b>Alfalfa</b>	4,514,192	4,178,715	3,849,405	3,888,615	3,289,305	2,588,340	3,132,105	2,516,595	2,910,270	3,139,740
<b>Clovergrass</b>	945,615	434,865	359,670	330,495	297,375	316,155	351,420	290,475	325,155	328,500
<b>Other forages</b>	2,416,671	5,662,230	5,242,815	4,867,260	4,442,280	4,593,000	4,926,555	4,646,040	5,434,830	5,386,950
<b>Total</b>	<b>12,884,370</b>	<b>14,891,306</b>	<b>14,183,307</b>	<b>13,679,961</b>	<b>12,036,301</b>	<b>11,583,658</b>	<b>12,571,607</b>	<b>11,407,447</b>	<b>12,626,866</b>	<b>12,732,598</b>

**Table A.7.23 Estimate of nitrogen from crop residues of perennial grasses (1)**

<b>Total nitrogen (t N)</b>	<b>1990</b>	<b>1995</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>
<b>Surface (ha)</b>	855,117	931,388	893,737	828,835	879,405	924,270	842,531	835,706	832,613	856,000
<b>Production (kt)</b>	15,213	16,946	15,842	13,854	14,478	11,767	10,236	9,075	9,128	9,500
<b>Crop (kg dm/ha) (2)</b>	16,012	16,375	15,953	15,043	14,817	11,458	10,934	9,773	9,866	9,988
<b>AG<sub>DM</sub> (t/ha) (3)</b>	2,593	2,496	2,750	2,307	2,135	2,840	2,853	2,716	2,837	2,804
<b>R<sub>AG</sub> (kg dm/ kg dm) (4)</b>	4.80	4.91	4.79	4.51	4.45	3.44	3.28	2.93	2.96	3.00
<b>R<sub>BG</sub> (kg dm/ kg dm) (5)</b>	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.30	0.30	0.30	0.30	0.30
<b>FCR of perennial grasses (t N) (6)</b>	1.04	1.04	1.04	1.04	1.04	1.04	1.04	1.04	1.04	1.04

(1) According to the equations 11.6 and 11.7 of the 2006 IPCC Guidelines; (2) Harvested annual dry matter yield - kg harvested fresh yield / ha \* DRY (dry matter fraction); (3) Above-ground residue dry matter calculated as (Crop/1000)\*slope+intercept; (4) Ratio of above-ground residues dry matter to harvested yield, calculated as AG<sub>DM</sub>\*1000/Crop; (5) Ratio of below-ground residues to harvested yield, calculated as R<sub>BG</sub> = BIO\*[(AG<sub>DM</sub>\*1000+Crop)/Crop]; (6) Calculated according to equation 11.6 assuming Frac<sub>Renew</sub>=1/5, Area burnt=0, Frac<sub>Remove</sub>=0.8.

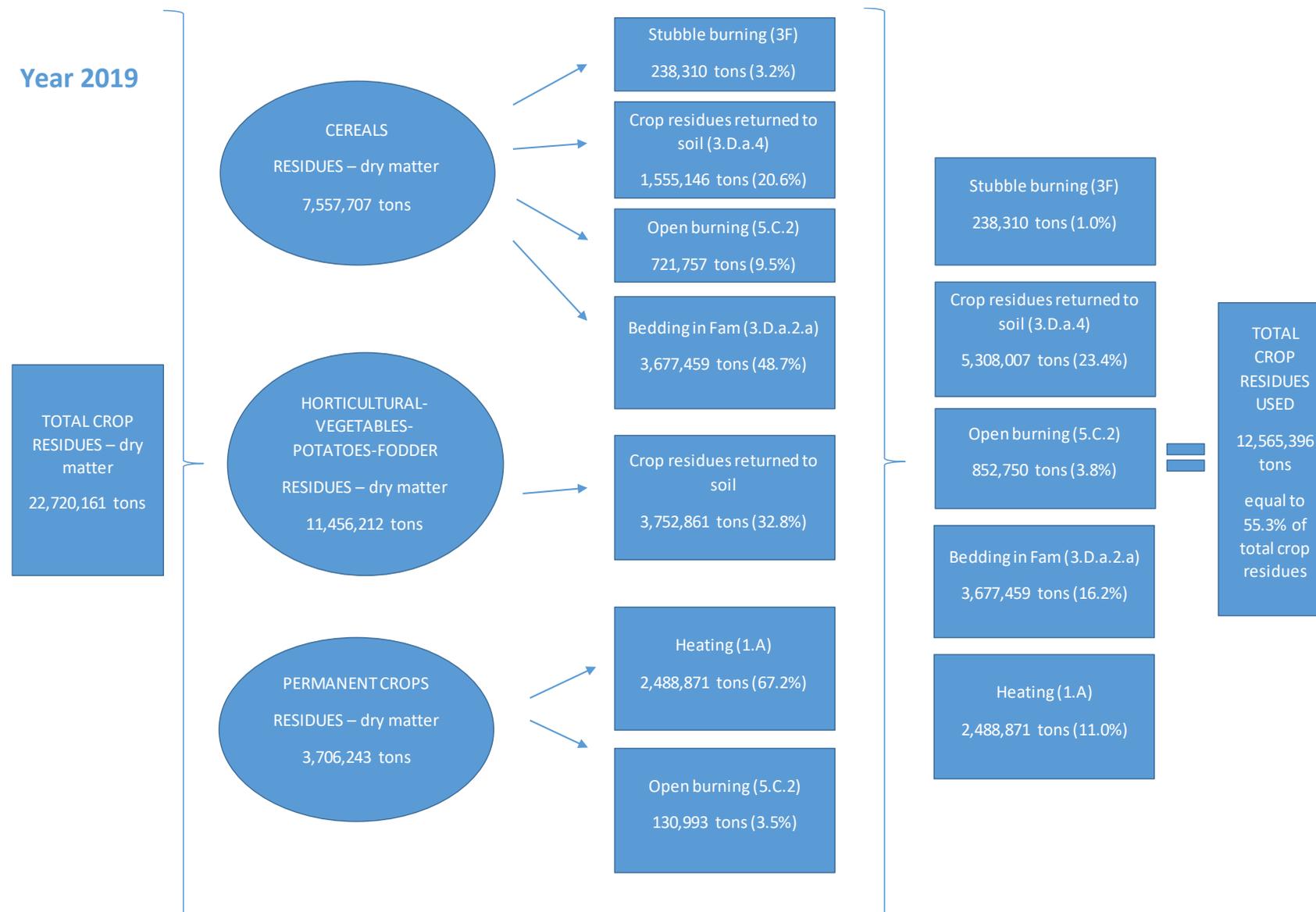
**Table A.7.24 Total nitrogen content in the above-ground and belowground biomass of crop residues**

<b>Total nitrogen (t N)</b>	<b>1990</b>	<b>1995</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>
<b>Wheat</b>	7,704	7,550	7,057	7,332	6,508	7,026	7,637	6,619	6,587	6,249
<b>Rice</b>	947	969	801	929	1,013	969	1,028	975	953	964
<b>Barley</b>	2,559	2,084	1,896	1,824	1,419	1,435	1,485	1,479	1,518	1,612
<b>Maize, stalks</b>	2,665	3,842	4,608	4,739	3,861	3,215	3,108	2,749	2,808	2,844
<b>Maize, cobs</b>	419	604	724	745	607	505	488	432	441	447
<b>Rye</b>	26	25	13	10	17	16	16	14	13	16
<b>Oats</b>	344	348	367	495	333	302	301	264	281	275
<b>Sorghum</b>	117	170	168	156	200	225	217	202	196	232
<b>Triticum</b>	14	17	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Potatoes</b>	5,822	5,247	5,177	4,427	3,929	3,418	3,452	3,396	3,297	3,375
<b>Sweet potatoes</b>	28	36	37	51	22	19	31	21	19	14
<b>Sugar beet</b>	3,427	3,840	3,369	4,122	1,034	636	596	714	565	518
<b>Sunflower</b>	488	645	557	350	258	300	325	295	301	354
<b>Cabbage</b>	5,162	4,732	5,063	5,029	5,281	4,908	4,373	4,580	4,659	4,807
<b>Artichoke</b>	4,062	4,314	4,278	3,920	4,004	3,347	3,052	3,234	3,251	3,159
<b>Asparagus</b>	276	298	252	294	290	292	296	305	313	327
<b>Salad</b>	2,700	2,732	2,839	2,772	2,625	2,253	2,407	2,396	2,420	2,352
<b>Spinach</b>	420	441	388	408	355	358	360	331	365	348
<b>Tomato</b>	3,524	3,333	4,825	4,631	3,884	4,131	4,148	3,877	3,736	3,723
<b>Cauliflower</b>	1,202	1,486	1,538	1,124	1,107	968	1,007	988	982	971
<b>Pumpkin and zucchini</b>	2,052	2,089	2,264	2,591	2,687	2,882	2,978	2,901	2,891	2,955
<b>Cucumber</b>	606	528	284	323	307	287	288	282	281	285
<b>Eggplant</b>	1,637	1,600	1,913	1,884	1,675	1,571	1,553	1,463	1,480	1,476
<b>Pepper and chili</b>	2,302	2,028	2,244	2,135	1,840	1,784	1,709	1,598	1,629	1,593
<b>Onion</b>	199	179	166	140	144	136	145	140	132	160
<b>Garlic</b>	54	46	42	36	34	35	38	40	41	39
<b>Bean,freshseed</b>	2,011	1,654	1,620	1,599	1,315	1,179	1,291	1,287	1,269	1,261
<b>Bean,dryseed</b>	213	134	103	81	65	54	55	56	60	52
<b>Broadbean,freshseed</b>	1,145	980	829	655	586	547	525	522	552	527
<b>Broadbean,dryseed</b>	943	573	434	440	472	382	455	464	457	544
<b>Pea,freshseed</b>	1,948	1,491	788	804	601	1,032	1,123	1,053	1,075	1,119
<b>Pea,dryseed</b>	92	60	41	101	106	101	128	155	162	208
<b>Chickpea</b>	42	27	36	48	62	101	126	182	236	190
<b>Lentil</b>	10	9	9	16	22	28	29	45	49	53
<b>Vetch</b>	52	59	62	69	73	75	75	75	75	75
<b>Lupin</b>	30	28	30	23	36	42	42	42	42	42

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<b>Total nitrogen (t N)</b>	<b>1990</b>	<b>1995</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>
<b>Soyabean</b>	7,930	2,970	3,905	2,318	2,427	4,701	4,383	4,906	4,969	4,159
<b>Alfalfa</b>	58,684	54,323	50,042	50,552	42,761	33,648	40,717	32,716	37,834	40,817
<b>Clovergrass</b>	17,210	7,915	6,546	6,015	5,412	5,754	6,396	5,287	5,918	5,979
<b>Other forages</b>	31,417	73,609	68,157	63,274	57,750	59,709	64,045	60,399	70,653	70,030
<b>Perennial grasses</b>	36,640	40,812	38,153	33,365	34,870	28,338	24,652	21,856	21,983	22,880
<b>Total</b>	<b>207,122</b>	<b>233,831</b>	<b>221,621</b>	<b>209,831</b>	<b>189,991</b>	<b>176,709</b>	<b>185,083</b>	<b>168,339</b>	<b>184,495</b>	<b>187,029</b>

**Figure A.7.1. Flow-chart on the amount of crop residues generated and shares of the crop residue amounts used for different purposes**



Note: part of the 22,720,161 tons of total crop residues is used to feed the anaerobic digesters, but at the moment it is not possible to quantify their size; the quantity of stubble burning and open burning refer to the amount of dry residues burnt.

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**ANNEX 8: Additional information to be considered as part of the annual inventory submission and the supplementary information required under Article 7, paragraph 1, of the Kyoto Protocol or other useful reference information**

**A8.1 Annual inventory submission**

This appendix shows Tables 10s1 and 10s6 from the Common Reporting Format 2019, submitted in 2021, in which time series of emission estimates are reported in CO<sub>2</sub> eq.

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GREENHOUSE GAS SOURCE AND SINK CATEGORIES	Base year <sup>(1)</sup>	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
	(kt CO <sub>2</sub> eq)										
<b>Total (net emissions)<sup>(2)</sup></b>	515229.35	515229.35	500968.91	501881.47	507614.13	488668.28	508331.28	501162.08	517173.23	532036.99	528099.22
<b>1. Energy</b>	425321.96	425321.96	425391.80	425084.21	420184.19	415291.55	437941.49	434832.93	440710.12	453429.84	457798.05
A. Fuel combustion (sectoral approach)	412204.46	412204.46	412446.21	412077.42	407105.86	402536.79	425567.56	422753.25	428492.09	441255.58	446645.90
1. Energy industries	137645.79	137645.79	132005.09	131214.78	125364.78	127807.84	140631.13	135285.00	137657.39	138910.22	133486.79
2. Manufacturing industries and construction	92277.96	92277.96	89603.57	89611.67	88145.16	89930.47	90311.59	89441.22	93524.26	96975.41	101954.66
3. Transport	102214.58	102214.58	104840.05	110007.22	111672.36	111557.78	114292.37	116069.20	118037.83	122486.47	123877.07
4. Other sectors	78923.57	78923.57	84691.29	79846.26	80342.57	71649.49	78766.93	80673.36	77935.79	81751.92	86123.35
5. Other	1142.57	1142.57	1306.22	1397.49	1580.99	1591.21	1565.55	1284.47	1336.82	1131.56	1204.03
B. Fugitive emissions from fuels	13117.50	13117.50	12945.59	13006.79	13078.33	12754.77	12373.93	12079.67	12218.03	12174.26	11152.16
1. Solid fuels	132.48	132.48	117.10	130.00	86.92	81.43	74.27	69.75	70.22	66.37	63.66
2. Oil and natural gas and other emissions from energy production	12985.02	12985.02	12828.49	12876.79	12991.41	12673.34	12299.66	12009.92	12147.80	12107.89	11088.50
C. CO <sub>2</sub> transport and storage	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
<b>2. Industrial Processes</b>	40421.81	40421.81	39989.72	39374.60	36421.21	35030.74	38315.54	35300.89	35852.89	36476.23	36993.38
A. Mineral industry	20720.45	20720.45	20682.33	21476.60	19076.44	18591.19	20239.69	18575.37	18844.17	19106.28	19903.26
B. Chemical industry	10493.12	10493.12	10817.54	10286.35	9789.85	9119.81	10313.58	9174.74	9389.37	9462.66	9308.19
C. Metal industry	6420.72	6420.72	5743.38	4826.99	4790.28	4400.09	4320.19	3703.31	3486.82	3281.64	2727.16
D. Non-energy products from fuels and solvent use	1712.38	1712.38	1693.24	1712.56	1643.89	1599.54	1554.18	1501.08	1503.14	1440.69	1441.16
E. Electronic industry	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	223.49	219.30	241.30	300.73	285.37
F. Product uses as ODS substitutes	NO	NO	0.37	19.48	46.60	213.06	371.86	560.83	781.06	1323.39	1950.97
G. Other product manufacture and use	1075.14	1075.14	1052.86	1052.63	1074.14	1107.05	1292.54	1566.27	1607.04	1560.85	1377.28
H. Other	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
<b>3. Agriculture</b>	35672.25	35672.25	36440.91	35887.94	36189.23	35842.47	35751.01	35579.98	36185.56	35525.87	35912.54
A. Enteric fermentation	15496.60	15496.60	15731.26	15238.77	15065.75	15138.05	15318.96	15457.20	15422.55	15281.92	15467.57
B. Manure management	7659.62	7659.62	7683.21	7368.50	7312.77	7153.30	7294.14	7300.67	7278.57	7329.32	7402.30
C. Rice cultivation	1876.46	1876.46	1790.95	1859.66	1949.95	1999.61	1988.96	1959.37	1945.39	1837.61	1800.07
D. Agricultural soils	10110.98	10110.98	10637.93	10803.85	11158.51	10885.80	10563.01	10354.44	10937.26	10486.23	10628.41
E. Prescribed burning of savannas	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
F. Field burning of agricultural residues	18.72	18.72	20.35	19.89	19.10	19.24	18.47	19.50	17.74	20.04	19.65
G. Liming	1.36	1.36	1.36	1.37	1.38	1.38	1.39	1.38	1.39	1.37	2.01
H. Urea application	464.84	464.84	519.31	536.33	621.90	588.39	512.05	439.22	525.41	526.32	550.90
I. Other carbon-containing fertilizers	43.68	43.68	56.54	59.56	59.88	56.70	54.03	48.20	57.27	43.05	41.62
J. Other	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
<b>4. Land use, land-use change and forestry<sup>(2)</sup></b>	-3491.09	-3491.09	-18821.62	-16819.37	-4005.58	-16965.09	-23672.83	-25217.14	-16888.36	-14451.86	-23660.73

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A. Forest land	-17255.01	-17255.01	-29350.45	-27935.30	-17467.72	-27895.54	-31000.71	-30748.19	-23108.38	-21585.32	-26584.82
B. Cropland	2429.73	2429.73	658.72	893.60	111.88	37.79	1215.86	1891.34	1136.97	633.86	-20.97
C. Grassland	4547.87	4547.87	992.34	1039.00	4515.45	1772.69	-2162.88	-2580.28	-1242.36	518.59	-3163.62
D. Wetlands	NE,NO	NE,NO	4.98	4.98	4.98	4.98	4.98	8.16	8.16	8.16	8.16
E. Settlements	7145.02	7145.02	8936.90	8937.84	8937.90	8938.82	8941.05	6979.92	6980.16	6980.23	6980.71
F. Other land	NO										
G. Harvested wood products	-387.80	-387.80	-94.49	209.02	-140.92	142.18	-706.26	-799.58	-690.80	-1031.74	-901.01
H. Other	NO										
<b>5. Waste</b>	<b>17304.42</b>	<b>17304.42</b>	<b>17968.10</b>	<b>18354.10</b>	<b>18825.08</b>	<b>19468.61</b>	<b>19996.08</b>	<b>20665.43</b>	<b>21313.02</b>	<b>21056.90</b>	<b>21055.97</b>
A. Solid waste disposal	12206.20	12206.20	12831.04	13263.97	13844.03	14481.35	15123.16	15799.93	16368.61	16101.54	16149.69
B. Biological treatment of solid waste	25.00	25.00	30.35	35.70	41.05	60.30	57.81	47.94	122.42	148.16	196.45
C. Incineration and open burning of waste	598.74	598.74	644.52	634.51	592.33	595.78	550.86	549.82	576.41	571.02	495.23
D. Waste water treatment and discharge	4474.49	4474.49	4462.20	4419.91	4347.67	4331.18	4264.25	4267.74	4245.58	4236.18	4214.60
E. Other	NO										
<b>6. Other (as specified in summary I.A)</b>	<b>NO</b>										
<b>Memo items:</b>											
<b>International bunkers</b>	<b>8818.95</b>	<b>8818.95</b>	<b>8835.43</b>	<b>8641.87</b>	<b>9048.85</b>	<b>9177.56</b>	<b>9977.88</b>	<b>9088.01</b>	<b>9490.05</b>	<b>10130.58</b>	<b>10832.73</b>
Aviation	4321.24	4321.24	5168.25	5111.50	5269.20	5443.93	5850.69	6206.23	6280.00	6828.64	7546.62
Navigation	4497.71	4497.71	3667.18	3530.36	3779.64	3733.63	4127.19	2881.79	3210.05	3301.95	3286.11
<b>Multilateral operations</b>	<b>NE</b>										
<b>CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from biomass</b>	<b>14177.23</b>	<b>14177.23</b>	<b>16543.74</b>	<b>15524.59</b>	<b>15895.45</b>	<b>16387.90</b>	<b>16974.70</b>	<b>16992.41</b>	<b>18313.70</b>	<b>18535.77</b>	<b>20112.35</b>
<b>CO<sub>2</sub> captured</b>	<b>NO,NA</b>										
<b>Long-term storage of C in waste disposal sites</b>	<b>NO</b>										
<b>Indirect N<sub>2</sub>O</b>	<b>3077.39</b>	<b>3077.39</b>	<b>3137.36</b>	<b>3195.01</b>	<b>3080.97</b>	<b>2927.34</b>	<b>2850.84</b>	<b>2761.37</b>	<b>2670.74</b>	<b>2542.60</b>	<b>2376.78</b>
<b>Indirect CO<sub>2</sub><sup>(3)</sup></b>	<b>NO</b>										
<b>Total CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent emissions without land use, land-use change and forestry</b>	<b>518720.44</b>	<b>518720.44</b>	<b>519790.53</b>	<b>518700.84</b>	<b>511619.71</b>	<b>505633.37</b>	<b>532004.11</b>	<b>526379.22</b>	<b>534061.59</b>	<b>546488.84</b>	<b>551759.95</b>
<b>Total CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent emissions with land use, land-use change and forestry</b>	<b>515229.35</b>	<b>515229.35</b>	<b>500968.91</b>	<b>501881.47</b>	<b>507614.13</b>	<b>488668.28</b>	<b>508331.28</b>	<b>501162.08</b>	<b>517173.23</b>	<b>532036.99</b>	<b>528099.22</b>
<b>Total CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent emissions, including indirect CO<sub>2</sub>, without land use, land-use change and forestry</b>	<b>NA</b>										
<b>Total CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent emissions, including indirect CO<sub>2</sub>, with land use, land-use change and forestry</b>	<b>NA</b>										

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	(kt CO <sub>2</sub> eq)									
<b>Total (net emissions)<sup>(2)</sup></b>	534550.28	525918.16	527508.42	554728.26	553929.59	554034.34	542549.45	559791.17	528808.70	469721.53
<b>1. Energy</b>	459623.81	458428.51	465339.69	483122.84	486995.67	487644.18	481872.38	475956.01	467098.17	417761.11
A. Fuel combustion (sectoral approach)	448476.72	447890.72	454958.71	472292.90	477152.48	477889.12	472723.65	466964.23	458022.97	409194.90
1. Energy industries	144905.91	143433.32	154461.39	159565.47	161420.92	159933.55	162191.22	159160.53	156081.95	134100.12
2. Manufacturing industries and construction	96373.06	91751.93	89608.86	95805.00	94675.63	92444.14	89285.76	91418.90	86928.19	64675.57
3. Transport	123816.65	125606.81	128016.99	128143.05	129858.53	128259.64	129530.19	129596.92	122650.57	117066.62
4. Other sectors	82500.16	86718.86	82535.11	88055.52	89989.01	95928.34	90631.31	85795.80	91541.94	92411.17
5. Other	880.94	379.79	336.36	723.87	1208.38	1323.45	1085.17	992.07	820.32	941.42
B. Fugitive emissions from fuels	11147.09	10537.79	10380.99	10829.94	9843.19	9755.06	9148.73	8991.78	9075.19	8566.20
1. Solid fuels	97.11	108.48	107.24	134.39	84.70	90.06	65.87	113.79	96.57	59.36
2. Oil and natural gas and other emissions from energy production	11049.98	10429.31	10273.74	10695.55	9758.49	9664.99	9082.86	8877.99	8978.62	8506.84
C. CO <sub>2</sub> transport and storage	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
<b>2. Industrial Processes</b>	39123.40	41079.22	41483.30	43178.47	46290.67	47209.12	43399.22	43544.48	41111.13	35949.40
A. Mineral industry	20749.02	21531.35	21554.56	22429.73	23186.82	23304.75	23403.36	23816.92	21531.33	17294.50
B. Chemical industry	9993.72	10310.98	10047.59	10149.45	11344.57	10672.78	5792.32	5013.38	3931.14	3126.70
C. Metal industry	2765.65	3034.16	2789.26	2501.04	2424.40	2780.42	2671.06	2646.16	2652.38	1918.36
D. Non-energy products from fuels and solvent use	1421.07	1374.95	1378.22	1359.82	1344.95	1358.94	1353.58	1342.79	1274.01	1159.68
E. Electronic industry	375.04	311.68	337.62	351.84	325.27	303.12	225.16	180.07	189.67	155.88
F. Product uses as ODS substitutes	2453.86	3246.77	4177.28	5187.31	6427.76	7585.50	8708.07	9420.99	10377.51	11194.69
G. Other product manufacture and use	1365.03	1269.33	1198.78	1199.28	1236.91	1203.61	1245.68	1124.17	1155.10	1099.59
H. Other	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
<b>3. Agriculture</b>	34828.88	34502.44	33862.34	33788.52	32918.19	32334.89	31894.21	32527.66	31470.73	30935.24
A. Enteric fermentation	15047.85	14407.75	13967.90	14029.75	13178.08	13178.54	12746.51	13246.53	13102.18	13159.56
B. Manure management	7172.46	7515.39	7299.23	7296.56	7096.54	7083.34	7018.16	7174.99	7101.10	7064.29
C. Rice cultivation	1656.41	1654.63	1713.11	1749.98	1825.64	1752.21	1754.91	1802.01	1650.14	1834.71
D. Agricultural soils	10362.81	10319.01	10252.35	10078.62	10166.70	9737.14	9764.80	9693.22	9045.05	8436.89
E. Prescribed burning of savannas	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
F. Field burning of agricultural residues	18.47	17.18	19.27	17.65	21.40	19.93	19.43	19.71	20.79	19.48
G. Liming	1.85	2.12	6.32	6.24	10.20	14.36	11.78	15.66	18.46	17.40
H. Urea application	525.37	539.23	560.22	564.97	576.04	506.92	539.36	536.96	498.22	371.58
I. Other carbon-containing fertilizers	43.67	47.13	43.95	44.77	43.59	42.47	39.27	38.58	34.78	31.33
J. Other	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
<b>4. Land use, land-use change and forestry<sup>(2)</sup></b>	-20916.01	-31281.24	-35629.60	-27681.45	-34003.72	-35037.27	-35965.20	-13218.97	-31310.45	-35497.46

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A. Forest land	-25693.82	-31641.05	-35197.88	-29101.34	-33515.93	-34536.90	-34230.13	-18405.95	-30617.15	-33236.78
B. Cropland	-116.38	-2380.87	-1646.79	-1328.45	-1558.05	-1601.95	-2306.95	-2398.13	-1719.66	-2091.56
C. Grassland	-1659.50	-4045.90	-5456.00	-3832.60	-5375.75	-6222.37	-6547.90	486.88	-6102.63	-6782.32
D. Wetlands	8.16	8.16	8.16	8.16	8.16	8.16	8.16	8.16	8.16	129.57
E. Settlements	6982.23	6984.58	6987.21	6989.40	6991.93	7803.96	7813.19	7816.38	7857.54	6792.48
F. Other land	NO									
G. Harvested wood products	-453.55	-223.02	-341.14	-431.28	-568.73	-502.68	-715.11	-738.36	-747.35	-318.22
H. Other	NO									
<b>5. Waste</b>	<b>21890.21</b>	<b>23189.23</b>	<b>22452.67</b>	<b>22319.87</b>	<b>21728.78</b>	<b>21883.42</b>	<b>21348.84</b>	<b>20981.99</b>	<b>20439.12</b>	<b>20573.25</b>
A. Solid waste disposal	17199.56	18445.82	17718.96	17538.10	16942.30	17002.39	16429.34	16104.39	15633.23	15746.39
B. Biological treatment of solid waste	249.24	323.23	397.18	437.22	430.90	488.61	519.39	533.09	520.38	530.50
C. Incineration and open burning of waste	289.60	309.22	259.43	281.92	281.12	317.01	328.51	296.34	292.72	330.59
D. Waste water treatment and discharge	4151.81	4110.95	4077.10	4062.63	4074.45	4075.42	4071.60	4048.17	3992.79	3965.76
E. Other	NO									
<b>6. Other (as specified in summary I.A)</b>	<b>NO</b>									
<b>Memo items:</b>										
<b>International bunkers</b>	<b>12216.70</b>	<b>12691.71</b>	<b>12339.80</b>	<b>14212.28</b>	<b>14820.14</b>	<b>15440.21</b>	<b>16690.80</b>	<b>17587.10</b>	<b>17893.26</b>	<b>15598.95</b>
Aviation	8029.05	7932.51	6872.02	7985.94	8024.82	8555.29	9284.24	9849.49	9455.53	8340.27
Navigation	4187.65	4759.19	5467.78	6226.34	6795.32	6884.92	7406.56	7737.61	8437.74	7258.68
<b>Multilateral operations</b>	<b>NE</b>									
<b>CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from biomass</b>	<b>19183.74</b>	<b>18822.56</b>	<b>13724.69</b>	<b>20272.90</b>	<b>16417.72</b>	<b>23622.64</b>	<b>26963.07</b>	<b>34592.94</b>	<b>41540.66</b>	<b>43033.38</b>
<b>CO<sub>2</sub> captured</b>	<b>NO,NA</b>									
<b>Long-term storage of C in waste disposal sites</b>	<b>NO</b>									
<b>Indirect N<sub>2</sub>O</b>	<b>2256.99</b>	<b>2201.44</b>	<b>2103.64</b>	<b>2099.99</b>	<b>2032.74</b>	<b>1931.19</b>	<b>1845.33</b>	<b>1790.00</b>	<b>1569.94</b>	<b>1447.86</b>
<b>Indirect CO<sub>2</sub> <sup>(3)</sup></b>	<b>NO</b>									
<b>Total CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent emissions without land use, land-use change and forestry</b>	<b>555466.29</b>	<b>557199.40</b>	<b>563138.01</b>	<b>582409.71</b>	<b>587933.32</b>	<b>589071.61</b>	<b>578514.65</b>	<b>573010.14</b>	<b>560119.14</b>	<b>505218.99</b>
<b>Total CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent emissions with land use, land-use change and forestry</b>	<b>534550.28</b>	<b>525918.16</b>	<b>527508.42</b>	<b>554728.26</b>	<b>553929.59</b>	<b>554034.34</b>	<b>542549.45</b>	<b>559791.17</b>	<b>528808.70</b>	<b>469721.53</b>
<b>Total CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent emissions, including indirect CO<sub>2</sub>, without land use, land-use change and forestry</b>	<b>NA</b>									
<b>Total CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent emissions, including indirect CO<sub>2</sub>, with land use, land-use change and forestry</b>	<b>NA</b>									

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GREENHOUSE GAS SOURCE AND SINK CATEGORIES	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	Change from base to latest reported year
	(kt CO <sub>2</sub> eq)										%
<b>Total (net emissions)<sup>(2)</sup></b>	474551.18	469691.95	459318.42	409108.69	386901.01	396754.37	397035.15	412374.40	392546.60	376719.37	-26.88
<b>1. Energy</b>	429048.91	416145.03	398957.09	366954.34	346735.46	359024.93	355572.78	350478.14	345962.37	336642.21	-20.85
A. Fuel combustion (sectoral approach)	420034.97	406979.15	389972.28	358018.45	338262.05	350910.16	348022.68	342746.65	338567.73	329135.12	-20.15
1. Energy industries	137507.25	133402.95	128349.27	109169.69	100529.58	106089.57	104,970.58	105,083.06	96,067.67	91,796.83	-33.31
2. Manufacturing industries and construction	70165.02	70986.56	66558.94	56829.27	52639.60	55634.32	54,407.12	53,164.55	54,272.17	49,871.93	-45.95
3. Transport	115557.50	114493.15	106798.15	104091.92	108907.04	106259.83	104,835.92	100,917.82	104,344.56	105,514.11	3.23
4. Other sectors	96112.74	87550.98	87903.05	87301.50	75586.48	82448.12	83,276.18	83,241.63	83,532.03	81,485.32	3.25
5. Other	692.47	545.52	362.86	626.06	599.34	478.33	532.88	339.60	351.30	466.93	-59.13
B. Fugitive emissions from fuels	9013.93	9165.87	8984.81	8935.88	8473.41	8114.76	7550.10	7731.49	7394.63	7507.09	-42.77
1. Solid fuels	86.34	91.70	80.00	58.41	57.10	52.64	49.33	36.67	34.28	32.15	-75.73
2. Oil and natural gas and other emissions from energy production	8927.59	9074.17	8904.82	8877.47	8416.31	8062.12	7,500.77	7,694.82	7,360.36	7,474.93	-42.43
C. CO <sub>2</sub> transport and storage	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	0.00
<b>2. Industrial Processes</b>	37000.49	37319.84	34573.45	33600.30	33209.58	33232.31	33426.77	33817.48	34569.82	33937.08	-16.04
A. Mineral industry	17379.31	16735.76	13803.16	12298.39	11617.00	11218.36	10,612.78	10,807.30	10,899.86	10,932.98	-47.24
B. Chemical industry	3290.80	3092.62	2887.13	3105.74	2898.87	2922.73	3,042.28	2,770.83	3,210.70	2,309.94	-77.99
C. Metal industry	2006.11	2204.78	2020.51	1730.90	1675.21	1611.37	1,764.18	1,725.60	1,730.85	1,645.84	-74.37
D. Non-energy products from fuels and solvent use	1128.42	1145.96	1058.80	1047.80	1018.45	975.02	985.89	1,058.55	1,092.69	1,091.47	-36.26
E. Electronic industry	207.01	241.55	218.41	233.40	260.11	246.60	241.26	244.73	248.25	268.81	100.00
F. Product uses as ODS substitutes	12040.09	12953.95	13584.22	14254.36	14900.10	15366.33	15,920.96	16,300.25	16,427.43	16,783.98	100.00
G. Other product manufacture and use	948.73	945.22	1001.22	929.70	839.86	891.89	859.42	910.22	960.04	904.06	-15.91
H. Other	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	0.00
<b>3. Agriculture</b>	30020.15	30419.00	30822.89	29979.73	29486.93	29562.75	30360.33	30108.67	29685.57	29517.32	-17.25
A. Enteric fermentation	12761.00	12760.35	12808.68	12962.06	12809.15	12911.72	13,188.44	13,301.46	13,256.89	13,240.73	-14.56
B. Manure management	6858.57	6815.84	6641.24	6555.48	6420.02	6379.46	6,359.80	6,361.83	6,259.10	6,214.16	-18.87
C. Rice cultivation	1822.19	1805.45	1789.14	1661.30	1613.42	1668.26	1,714.89	1,645.74	1,601.25	1,583.17	-15.63
D. Agricultural soils	8178.09	8614.58	8971.57	8300.57	8181.95	8125.43	8,516.65	8,324.62	8,107.06	8,030.78	-20.57
E. Prescribed burning of savannas	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	0.00
F. Field burning of agricultural residues	19.25	18.98	20.15	19.01	18.77	19.57	20.96	18.98	18.91	18.67	-0.26
G. Liming	18.31	25.42	15.88	14.12	11.97	13.50	12.20	17.47	15.45	16.24	1098.69
H. Urea application	335.10	350.76	550.91	450.42	411.00	424.93	527.15	418.45	405.26	396.45	-14.71
I. Other carbon-containing fertilizers	27.65	27.63	25.33	16.77	20.66	19.87	20.24	20.12	21.65	17.11	-60.82

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J. Other	NO	NO	NO	NO	0.00						
<b>4. Land use, land-use change and forestry<sup>(2)</sup></b>	-41922.56	-33953.32	-24899.60	-40070.25	-41029.40	-43682.33	-40660.94	-20339.33	-36002.75	-41561.22	1090.49
A. Forest land	-36546.73	-32505.71	-28043.70	-37449.83	-38606.25	-39949.89	-36,884.78	-21,362.15	-32,699.35	-37,154.71	115.33
B. Cropland	-865.98	784.55	2031.56	1750.00	1412.98	575.37	-985.98	-521.60	-92.90	-52.35	-102.15
C. Grassland	-9192.98	-7210.65	-4072.44	-9590.45	-8984.64	-9363.25	-8,338.57	-4,083.42	-8,970.15	-8,171.02	-279.67
D. Wetlands	129.57	129.57	129.57	129.57	129.57	129.57	39.52	39.52	39.52	39.52	100.00
E. Settlements	4685.86	4692.15	4696.75	4704.65	4712.80	4730.24	5,540.71	5,543.12	5,549.58	5,557.32	-22.22
F. Other land	NO	NO	NO	NO	0.00						
G. Harvested wood products	-141.65	149.35	353.02	382.22	304.35	195.63	-36.63	35.47	156.16	-1,799.10	363.92
H. Other	NO	NO	NO	NO	0.00						
<b>5. Waste</b>	20404.19	19761.39	19864.59	18644.57	18498.44	18616.71	18336.21	18309.45	18331.59	18183.99	5.08
A. Solid waste disposal	15558.25	15007.93	15094.24	13869.12	13810.12	14016.06	13,669.25	13,702.77	13,769.44	13,659.07	11.90
B. Biological treatment of solid waste	619.07	630.87	629.89	659.27	713.65	642.00	653.13	643.40	633.65	608.02	2332.51
C. Incineration and open burning of waste	257.74	257.71	283.17	302.57	188.96	177.49	183.33	168.35	127.14	128.94	-78.46
D. Waste water treatment and discharge	3969.13	3864.88	3857.30	3813.61	3785.71	3781.17	3,830.49	3,794.93	3,801.36	3,787.97	-15.34
E. Other	NO	NO	NO	NO	0.00						
<b>6. Other (as specified in summary I.A)</b>	NO	NO	NO	NO	0.00						
<b>Memo items:</b>											
<b>International bunkers</b>	15858.74	16485.80	15278.75	13880.14	13548.86	15231.22	17133.06	18431.17	19246.85	19019.82	115.67
Aviation	8885.42	9286.31	8999.10	8942.76	9096.40	9647.07	10,376.89	11,247.82	12,056.25	12,497.87	189.22
Navigation	6973.33	7199.50	6279.64	4937.37	4452.46	5584.16	6,756.17	7,183.35	7,190.60	6,521.95	45.01
<b>Multilateral operations</b>	NE	NE	NE	NE	0.00						
<b>CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from biomass</b>	42620.50	36965.40	42931.64	46233.38	43184.79	45645.20	44,810.97	46,950.04	45,467.26	45,894.12	223.72
<b>CO<sub>2</sub> captured</b>	NO,NA	NO,NA	NO,NA	NO,NA	0.00						
<b>Long-term storage of C in waste disposal sites</b>	NO	NO	NO	NO	0.00						
<b>Indirect N<sub>2</sub>O</b>	1387.56	1334.35	1277.97	1136.74	1108.81	1050.25	1,022.40	986.48	923.18	908.55	-70.48
<b>Indirect CO<sub>2</sub><sup>(3)</sup></b>	NO	NO	NO	NO	0.00						
<b>Total CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent emissions without land use, land-use change and forestry</b>	516473.73	503645.26	484218.02	449178.93	427930.41	440436.70	437696.09	432713.74	428549.35	418280.60	-19.36
<b>Total CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent emissions with land use, land-use change and forestry</b>	474551.18	469691.95	459318.42	409108.69	386901.01	396754.37	397035.15	412374.40	392546.60	376719.37	-26.88
<b>Total CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent emissions, including indirect CO<sub>2</sub>, without land use, land-use change and forestry</b>	NA	NA	NA	NA	0.00						

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Total CO <sub>2</sub> equivalent emissions, including indirect CO <sub>2</sub> , with land use, land-use change and forestry	NA	0.00									
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GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS	Base year <sup>(1)</sup>	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
	CO <sub>2</sub> equivalent (kt)										
CO <sub>2</sub> emissions without net CO <sub>2</sub> from LULUCF	439549.77	439549.77	439094.03	439315.22	431604.73	425796.75	449826.01	444029.28	449754.08	461945.88	466424.83
CO <sub>2</sub> emissions with net CO <sub>2</sub> from LULUCF	433847.59	433847.59	418701.32	420854.98	425188.36	406999.20	424921.43	417729.97	431335.44	445699.60	441593.16
CH <sub>4</sub> emissions without CH <sub>4</sub> from LULUCF	49331.22	49331.22	50203.24	50023.30	50328.25	50714.35	51346.99	51854.80	52407.19	51943.24	51937.81
CH <sub>4</sub> emissions with CH <sub>4</sub> from LULUCF	50617.19	50617.19	50788.12	50674.48	51631.34	51490.84	51649.73	52189.22	53152.23	52901.45	52412.73
N <sub>2</sub> O emissions without N <sub>2</sub> O from LULUCF	26080.24	26080.24	27103.25	26639.01	27076.29	26547.98	27630.89	27743.69	28722.63	28997.30	29565.84
N <sub>2</sub> O emissions with N <sub>2</sub> O from LULUCF	27005.36	27005.36	28089.47	27628.70	28183.99	27603.96	28559.89	28491.43	29507.88	29833.51	30261.85
HFCs	444.00	444.00	449.30	471.91	494.10	664.06	926.65	668.42	1004.12	1525.70	1988.67
PFCs	2906.86	2906.86	2509.91	1818.77	1672.06	1422.70	1492.31	1234.58	1281.12	1329.37	1327.60
Unspecified mix of HFCs and PFCs	NO,NA	NO,NA	NO,NA	NO,NA	NO,NA	NO,NA	24.97	24.97	24.97	24.97	24.97
SF <sub>6</sub>	408.35	408.35	430.80	432.63	444.29	487.52	679.72	761.72	813.39	688.56	463.55
NF <sub>3</sub>	NA,NO	NA,NO	NA,NO	NA,NO	NA,NO	NA,NO	76.57	61.78	54.09	33.83	26.69
<b>Total (without LULUCF)</b>	518720.44	518720.44	519790.53	518700.84	511619.71	505633.37	532004.11	526379.22	534061.59	546488.84	551759.95
<b>Total (with LULUCF)</b>	515229.35	515229.35	500968.91	501881.47	507614.13	488668.28	508331.28	501162.08	517173.23	532036.99	528099.22
<b>Total (without LULUCF, with indirect)</b>	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
<b>Total (with LULUCF, with indirect)</b>	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

GREENHOUSE GAS SOURCE AND SINK CATEGORIES	Base year <sup>(1)</sup>	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
	CO <sub>2</sub> equivalent (kt)										
1. Energy	425321.96	425321.96	425391.80	425084.21	420184.19	415291.55	437941.49	434832.93	440710.12	453429.84	457798.05
2. Industrial processes and product use	40421.81	40421.81	39989.72	39374.60	36421.21	35030.74	38315.54	35300.89	35852.89	36476.23	36993.38
3. Agriculture	35672.25	35672.25	36440.91	35887.94	36189.23	35842.47	35751.01	35579.98	36185.56	35525.87	35912.54
4. Land use, land-use change and forestry <sup>(5)</sup>	-3491.09	-3491.09	-18821.62	-16819.37	-4005.58	-16965.09	-23672.83	-25217.14	-16888.36	-14451.86	-23660.73
5. Waste	17304.42	17304.42	17968.10	18354.10	18825.08	19468.61	19996.08	20665.43	21313.02	21056.90	21055.97
6. Other	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
<b>Total (including LULUCF)<sup>(5)</sup></b>	515229.35	515229.35	500968.91	501881.47	507614.13	488668.28	508331.28	501162.08	517173.23	532036.99	528099.22

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GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
	CO <sub>2</sub> equivalent (kt)									
CO <sub>2</sub> emissions without net CO <sub>2</sub> from LULUCF	470493.15	470575.95	478005.10	495964.76	501567.83	502259.54	496891.88	490602.56	478902.80	424738.93
CO <sub>2</sub> emissions with net CO <sub>2</sub> from LULUCF	448127.53	438131.50	441477.99	467004.28	466554.87	466264.50	460043.45	475117.05	446404.42	387996.00
CH <sub>4</sub> emissions without CH <sub>4</sub> from LULUCF	51847.83	52205.61	50527.82	50774.30	48575.27	49098.22	47653.00	48382.62	47863.38	47786.01
CH <sub>4</sub> emissions with CH <sub>4</sub> from LULUCF	52562.09	52683.84	50787.98	51357.98	48924.89	49397.55	47892.17	49767.45	48368.88	48389.40
N <sub>2</sub> O emissions without N <sub>2</sub> O from LULUCF	28505.32	28740.73	28111.18	27961.46	28742.09	27548.57	22677.12	22197.81	20703.30	19759.14
N <sub>2</sub> O emissions with N <sub>2</sub> O from LULUCF	29240.67	29425.71	28748.54	28656.80	29401.71	28207.01	23321.18	23079.50	21385.73	20401.22
HFCs	2488.95	3284.12	4208.94	5224.32	6458.86	7616.98	8740.05	9451.76	10397.59	11204.58
PFCs	1488.50	1502.53	1491.23	1882.18	1950.88	1939.95	1935.14	1886.20	1712.39	1215.36
Unspecified mix of HFCs and PFCs	24.97	24.97	24.97	24.97	24.97	24.97	24.97	24.97	24.97	24.97
SF <sub>6</sub>	604.31	852.72	740.72	549.89	584.55	550.00	570.29	452.66	495.92	472.03
NF <sub>3</sub>	13.26	12.79	28.06	27.84	28.86	33.38	22.20	11.57	18.79	17.97
<b>Total (without LULUCF)</b>	555466.29	557199.40	563138.01	582409.71	587933.32	589071.61	578514.65	573010.14	560119.14	505218.99
<b>Total (with LULUCF)</b>	534550.28	525918.16	527508.42	554728.26	553929.59	554034.34	542549.45	559791.17	528808.70	469721.53
<b>Total (without LULUCF, with indirect)</b>	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
<b>Total (with LULUCF, with indirect)</b>	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

GREENHOUSE GAS SOURCE AND SINK CATEGORIES	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
	CO <sub>2</sub> equivalent (kt)									
1. Energy	459623.81	458428.51	465339.69	483122.84	486995.67	487644.18	481872.38	475956.01	467098.17	417761.11
2. Industrial processes and product use	39123.40	41079.22	41483.30	43178.47	46290.67	47209.12	43399.22	43544.48	41111.13	35949.40
3. Agriculture	34828.88	34502.44	33862.34	33788.52	32918.19	32334.89	31894.21	32527.66	31470.73	30935.24
4. Land use, land-use change and forestry <sup>(5)</sup>	-20916.01	-31281.24	-35629.60	-27681.45	-34003.72	-35037.27	-35965.20	-13218.97	-31310.45	-35497.46
5. Waste	21890.21	23189.23	22452.67	22319.87	21728.78	21883.42	21348.84	20981.99	20439.12	20573.25
6. Other	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
<b>Total (including LULUCF)<sup>(5)</sup></b>	534550.28	525918.16	527508.42	554728.26	553929.59	554034.34	542549.45	559791.17	528808.70	469721.53

Table A8.1.1 GHG emission trends by gas and by sector, CRF year 2019

**TABLE 10 EMISSION TRENDS  
SUMMARY**

Inventory 2019  
Submission 2021

GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	Change from base to latest reported year
	CO <sub>2</sub> equivalent (kt)										(%)
CO <sub>2</sub> emissions without net CO <sub>2</sub> from LULUCF	436153.68	424277.53	403447.21	369834.34	349581.75	361302.48	358060.74	352849.91	349020.45	339772.17	-22.70
CO <sub>2</sub> emissions with net CO <sub>2</sub> from LULUCF	393451.29	389299.45	376806.04	329273.16	307917.93	317028.41	316660.10	330438.98	312412.27	297536.93	-31.42
CH <sub>4</sub> emissions without CH <sub>4</sub> from LULUCF	47339.06	45862.16	46421.80	44965.31	43995.34	44059.30	43793.80	44023.72	43472.15	42967.29	-12.90
CH <sub>4</sub> emissions with CH <sub>4</sub> from LULUCF	47689.30	46429.10	47621.91	45121.69	44269.73	44323.52	44100.21	45534.80	43624.92	43148.39	-14.76
N <sub>2</sub> O emissions without N <sub>2</sub> O from LULUCF	18967.73	18380.10	18757.64	17932.11	17458.58	17473.72	17828.29	17739.64	17462.31	17227.38	-33.94
N <sub>2</sub> O emissions with N <sub>2</sub> O from LULUCF	19397.32	18837.92	19299.10	18266.66	17818.60	17801.24	18261.58	18300.15	17914.97	17720.29	-34.38
HFCs	12053.95	12970.08	13596.65	14269.22	14918.10	15387.24	15941.17	16320.83	16445.46	16800.52	3683.90
PFCs	1520.39	1661.28	1499.21	1705.41	1564.34	1688.33	1613.73	1313.68	1657.27	1027.55	-64.65
Unspecified mix of HFCs and PFCs	24.97	24.97	24.97	24.97	24.97	24.97	24.97	24.97	23.15	23.54	100.00
SF <sub>6</sub>	393.79	441.36	445.61	421.88	359.16	472.25	399.42	417.49	446.43	444.31	8.80
NF <sub>3</sub>	20.17	27.78	24.93	25.70	28.17	28.42	33.98	23.50	22.13	17.84	100.00
<b>Total (without LULUCF)</b>	516473.73	503645.26	484218.02	449178.93	427930.41	440436.70	437696.09	432713.74	428549.35	418280.60	-19.36
<b>Total (with LULUCF)</b>	474551.18	469691.95	459318.42	409108.69	386901.01	396754.37	397035.15	412374.40	392546.60	376719.37	-26.88
<b>Total (without LULUCF, with indirect)</b>	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	0.00
<b>Total (with LULUCF, with indirect)</b>	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	0.00

GREENHOUSE GAS SOURCE AND SINK CATEGORIES	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	Change from base to latest reported year
	CO <sub>2</sub> equivalent (kt)										(%)
1. Energy	429048.91	416145.03	398957.09	366954.34	346735.46	359024.93	355572.78	350478.14	345962.37	336642.21	-20.85
2. Industrial processes and product use	37000.49	37319.84	34573.45	33600.30	33209.58	33232.31	33426.77	33817.48	34569.82	33937.08	-16.04
3. Agriculture	30020.15	30419.00	30822.89	29979.73	29486.93	29562.75	30360.33	30108.67	29685.57	29517.32	-17.25
4. Land use, land-use change and forestry <sup>(5)</sup>	-41922.56	-33953.32	-24899.60	-40070.25	-41029.40	-43682.33	-40660.94	-20339.33	-36002.75	-41561.22	1090.49
5. Waste	20404.19	19761.39	19864.59	18644.57	18498.44	18616.71	18336.21	18309.45	18331.59	18183.99	5.08
6. Other	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	0.00
<b>Total (including LULUCF)<sup>(5)</sup></b>	474551.18	469691.95	459318.42	409108.69	386901.01	396754.37	397035.15	412374.40	392546.60	376719.37	-26.88

## A8.2 Supplementary information under Article 7, paragraph 1

### A8.2.1 KP-LULUCF

**Table A8.2.1.1 Activity coverage and other information relating to activities under Article 3, paragraph 3, forest management under Article 3.4, and elected activities under Article 3.4**

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**Table NIR 1. SUMMARY TABLE**

Activity	CHANGE IN CARBON POOL REPORTED <sup>(1)</sup>						GREENHOUSE GAS SOURCES REPORTED <sup>(2)</sup>										
	Above-ground biomass	Below-ground biomass	Litter	Dead wood	Soil		HWP <sup>(4)</sup>	Fertilization <sup>(5)</sup>	Drained, rewetted and other soils <sup>(6)</sup>		Nitrogen mineralization in mineral soils <sup>(8)</sup>	Indirect N <sub>2</sub> O emissions from managed soil <sup>(5)</sup>	Biomass burning <sup>(9)</sup>				
					Mineral	Organic <sup>(3)</sup>			N <sub>2</sub> O	CH <sub>4</sub> <sup>(7)</sup>			N <sub>2</sub> O	N <sub>2</sub> O	N <sub>2</sub> O	CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>(10)</sup>	CH <sub>4</sub>
<b>Article 3.3 activities</b>																	
Afforestation and reforestation	R	R	R	R	R	NO	R	NO	NO	NO	R	R	R	R	R	R	R
Deforestation	R	R	R	R	R	NO	R	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
<b>Article 3.4 activities</b>																	
Forest management	R	R	R	R	NR	NR	R	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	R	R	R	R	R
Cropland management	R	R	NO	NO	R	R		NO			R		R	R	R	R	R
Grazing land management	NO	NO	NO	NO	R	NO		NO					NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
Revegetation	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA		NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Wetland drainage and rewetting	NA	NA	NA	NA		NA		NA	NA	NA		NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

(1) Indicate R (reported), NR (not reported), IE (included elsewhere) or NO (not occurring), for each relevant activity under Article 3.3, forest management or any elected activity under Article 3.4, or instantaneous oxidation (IO) for carbon stock changes in harvest wood products (HWP). With the exception of HWP, if changes in a carbon pool are not reported, verifiable information in the national inventory report (NIR) must be provided that demonstrates that these unaccounted pools were not a net source of anthropogenic greenhouse gas emissions. Indicate NA (not applicable) for each activity that is not elected under Article 3.4. Explanation about the use of notation keys should be provided in the NIR.

(2) Indicate R (reported), NE (not estimated), IE (included elsewhere) or NO (not occurring) for greenhouse gas sources reported, for each relevant activity under Article 3.3, forest management or any elected activity under Article 3.4. Indicate NA (not applicable) for each activity that is not elected under Article 3.4. Explanation about the use of notation keys should be provided in the NIR.

(3) Includes CO<sub>2</sub> emissions/removals from organic soils, including CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from dissolved organic carbon associated with drainage and rewetting. On-site CO<sub>2</sub> emissions/removals from drainage and rewetting from organic soils and off-site CO<sub>2</sub> emissions via water-borne carbon losses from organic soils should be reported here for wetland drainage and rewetting. These emissions could be reported for other activities as appropriate.

(4) HWP from lands reported under deforestation, which originated from the deforestation event at the time of the land-use change shall be accounted for on the basis of instantaneous oxidation (IO).

(5) N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from fertilization of afforestation/reforestation, deforestation, forest management, revegetation and wetland drainage and rewetting should be reported here when these emissions are not reported under the agriculture sector.

(6) CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from drained and rewetted organic soils should be reported here, as appropriate, when emissions are not reported under the agriculture sector. For wetland drainage and rewetting only emissions from organic soils are included.

(7) CH<sub>4</sub> emissions from drained soils and drainage ditches should be reported here, as appropriate.

(8) N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from nitrogen mineralization/immobilization associated with loss/gain of soil organic matter resulting from change of land use or management of mineral soils under afforestation/reforestation, deforestation, forest management, cropland management, grazing land management and revegetation should be reported here when these emissions are not reported under the agriculture sector.

(9) Emissions from burning of organic soils should also be included here, as appropriate.

(10) If CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from biomass burning are not already included under changes in carbon stocks, they should be reported under biomass burning. Parties that include CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from biomass burning in their carbon stock change estimates should report IE (included elsewhere).

Table A8.2.1.2 Areas and changes in areas between the previous and the current inventory year. Land transition matrix 1990

Table NIR 2. LAND TRANSITION MATRIX 1990

	ARTICLE 3.3 ACTIVITIES		ARTICLE 3.4 ACTIVITIES					Other <sup>(6)</sup>	Total area at the end of the previous inventory year <sup>(7)</sup>
	Afforestation and reforestation	Deforestation	Forest management <sup>(5)</sup>	Cropland management (if elected)	Grazing land management (if elected)	Revegetation (if elected)	Wetland drainage and rewetting (if elected)		
	(kha)								
Article 3.3 activities									
Afforestation and reforestation	73.77	NO							73.77
Deforestation		14.44							14.44
Article 3.4 activities									
Forest management		0.72	7511.12						7511.84
Cropland management <sup>(3)</sup> (if elected)	NO		NO	10729.52	NO	NO	NO		10729.52
Grazing land management <sup>(3)</sup> (if elected)	NO		NO	NO	3825.93	NO	NO		3825.93
Revegetation <sup>(3)</sup> (if elected)	NA		NA	NA	NA	NA	NA		NA
Wetland drainage and rewetting <sup>(3)</sup> (if elected)	NA		NA	NA	NA	NA	NA		NA
Other <sup>(4)</sup>	78.68	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	7899.42	7978.10
Total area at the end of the current inventory year	152.45	15.17	7511.12	10729.52	3825.93	NA,NO	NA,NO	7899.42	30133.60

Table A8.2.1.3 Areas and changes in areas between the previous and the current inventory year. Land transition matrix 2013

Table NIR 2. LAND TRANSITION MATRIX 2013

	ARTICLE 3.3 ACTIVITIES		ARTICLE 3.4 ACTIVITIES					Other <sup>(6)</sup>	Total area at the end of the previous inventory year <sup>(7)</sup>
	Afforestation and reforestation	Deforestation	Forest management <sup>(5)</sup>	Cropland management (if elected)	Grazing land management (if elected)	Revegetation (if elected)	Wetland drainage and rewetting (if elected)		
	(kha)								
Article 3.3 activities									
Afforestation and reforestation	1670.08	NO							1670.08
Deforestation		40.39							40.39
Article 3.4 activities									
Forest management		3.69	7471.45						7475.15
Cropland management <sup>(3)</sup> (if elected)	NO		NO	8999.77	NO	NO	NO		8999.77
Grazing land management <sup>(3)</sup> (if elected)	NO		NO	NO	3653.92	NO	NO		3653.92
Revegetation <sup>(3)</sup> (if elected)	NA		NA	NA	NA	NA	NA		NA
Wetland drainage and rewetting <sup>(3)</sup> (if elected)	NA		NA	NA	NA	NA	NA		NA
Other <sup>(4)</sup>	58.31	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	8235.97	8294.29
Total area at the end of the current inventory year	1728.40	44.08	7471.45	8999.77	3653.92	NA,NO	NA,NO	8235.97	30133.60

Table A8.2.1.4 Areas and changes in areas between the previous and the current inventory year. Land transition matrix 2014

Table NIR 2. LAND TRANSITION MATRIX 2014

	ARTICLE 3.3 ACTIVITIES		ARTICLE 3.4 ACTIVITIES					Other <sup>(6)</sup>	Total area at the end of the previous inventory year <sup>(7)</sup>
	Afforestation and reforestation	Deforestation	Forest management <sup>(5)</sup>	Cropland management (if elected)	Grazing land management (if elected)	Revegetation (if elected)	Wetland drainage and rewetting (if elected)		
	(kha)								
<b>Article 3.3 activities</b>									
Afforestation and reforestation	1728.40	NO							1728.40
Deforestation		44.08							44.08
<b>Article 3.4 activities</b>									
Forest management		3.69	7467.76						7471.45
Cropland management <sup>(3)</sup> (if elected)	NO		NO	8999.77	NO	NO	NO		8999.77
Grazing land management <sup>(3)</sup> (if elected)	NO		NO	NO	3948.68	NO	NO		3948.68
Revegetation <sup>(3)</sup> (if elected)	NA		NA	NA	NA	NA	NA		NA
Wetland drainage and rewetting <sup>(3)</sup> (if elected)	NA		NA	NA	NA	NA	NA		NA
Other <sup>(4)</sup>	58.31	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	7882.91	7941.22
<b>Total area at the end of the current inventory year</b>	<b>1786.71</b>	<b>47.78</b>	<b>7467.76</b>	<b>8999.77</b>	<b>3948.68</b>	<b>NA,NO</b>	<b>NA,NO</b>	<b>7882.91</b>	<b>30133.60</b>

Table A8.2.1.5 Areas and changes in areas between the previous and the current inventory year. Land transition matrix 2015

Table NIR 2. LAND TRANSITION MATRIX 2015

	ARTICLE 3.3 ACTIVITIES		ARTICLE 3.4 ACTIVITIES					Other <sup>(6)</sup>	Total area at the end of the previous inventory year <sup>(7)</sup>
	Afforestation and reforestation	Deforestation	Forest management <sup>(5)</sup>	Cropland management (if elected)	Grazing land management (if elected)	Revegetation (if elected)	Wetland drainage and rewetting (if elected)		
	(kha)								
<b>Article 3.3 activities</b>									
Afforestation and reforestation	1786.71	NO							1786.71
Deforestation		47.78							47.78
<b>Article 3.4 activities</b>									
Forest management		3.69	7464.06						7467.76
Cropland management <sup>(3)</sup> (if elected)	NO		NO	8999.77	NO	NO	NO		8999.77
Grazing land management <sup>(3)</sup> (if elected)	NO		NO	NO	3805.56	NO	NO		3805.56
Revegetation <sup>(3)</sup> (if elected)	NA		NA	NA	NA	NA	NA		NA
Wetland drainage and rewetting <sup>(3)</sup> (if elected)	NA		NA	NA	NA	NA	NA		NA
Other <sup>(4)</sup>	58.31	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	7967.70	8026.02
<b>Total area at the end of the current inventory year</b>	<b>1845.03</b>	<b>51.47</b>	<b>7464.06</b>	<b>8999.77</b>	<b>3805.56</b>	<b>NO,NA</b>	<b>NO,NA</b>	<b>7967.70</b>	<b>30133.60</b>

Table A8.2.1.6 Areas and changes in areas between the previous and the current inventory year. Land transition matrix 2016

Table NIR 2. LAND TRANSITION MATRIX 2016

	ARTICLE 3.3 ACTIVITIES		ARTICLE 3.4 ACTIVITIES					Other <sup>(6)</sup>	Total area at the end of the previous inventory year <sup>(7)</sup>
	Afforestation and reforestation	Deforestation	Forest management <sup>(5)</sup>	Cropland management (if elected)	Grazing land management (if elected)	Revegetation (if elected)	Wetland drainage and rewetting (if elected)		
	(kha)								
Article 3.3 activities									
Afforestation and reforestation	1845.03	NO							1845.03
Deforestation		51.47							51.47
Article 3.4 activities									
Forest management		3.69	7460.37						7464.06
Cropland management <sup>(3)</sup> (if elected)	NO		NO	8999.77	NO	NO	NO		8999.77
Grazing land management <sup>(3)</sup> (if elected)	NO		NO	NO	3763.01	NO	NO		3763.01
Revegetation <sup>(3)</sup> (if elected)	NA		NA	NA	NA	NA	NA		NA
Wetland drainage and rewetting <sup>(3)</sup> (if elected)	NA		NA	NA	NA	NA	NA		NA
Other <sup>(4)</sup>	58.31	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	7951.95	8010.26
<b>Total area at the end of the current inventory year</b>	<b>1903.34</b>	<b>55.17</b>	<b>7460.37</b>	<b>8999.77</b>	<b>3763.01</b>	<b>NO,NA</b>	<b>NO,NA</b>	<b>7951.95</b>	<b>30133.60</b>

**Table A8.2.1.7 Areas and changes in areas between the previous and the current inventory year. Land transition matrix 2017**

**Table NIR 2. LAND TRANSITION MATRIX 2017**

	ARTICLE 3.3 ACTIVITIES		ARTICLE 3.4 ACTIVITIES					Other <sup>(6)</sup>	Total area at the end of the previous inventory year <sup>(7)</sup>
	Afforestation and reforestation	Deforestation	Forest management <sup>(5)</sup>	Cropland management (if elected)	Grazing land management (if elected)	Revegetation (if elected)	Wetland drainage and rewetting (if elected)		
	(kha)								
<b>Article 3.3 activities</b>									
Afforestation and reforestation	1903.34	NO							1903.34
Deforestation		55.17							55.17
<b>Article 3.4 activities</b>									
Forest management		3.69	7456.68						7460.37
Cropland management <sup>(3)</sup> (if elected)	NO		NO	8999.77	NO	NO	NO		8999.77
Grazing land management <sup>(3)</sup> (if elected)	NO		NO	NO	3644.66	NO	NO		3644.66
Revegetation <sup>(3)</sup> (if elected)	NA		NA	NA	NA	NA	NA		NA
Wetland drainage and rewetting <sup>(3)</sup> (if elected)	NA		NA	NA	NA	NA	NA		NA
Other <sup>(4)</sup>	58.31	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	8011.98	8070.29
<b>Total area at the end of the current inventory year</b>	<b>1961.66</b>	<b>58.86</b>	<b>7456.68</b>	<b>8999.77</b>	<b>3644.66</b>	<b>NO,NA</b>	<b>NO,NA</b>	<b>8011.98</b>	<b>30133.60</b>

**Table A8.2.1.8 Areas and changes in areas between the previous and the current inventory year. Land transition matrix 2018**

**Table NIR 2. LAND TRANSITION MATRIX 2018**

	ARTICLE 3.3 ACTIVITIES		ARTICLE 3.4 ACTIVITIES					Other <sup>(6)</sup>	Total area at the end of the previous inventory year <sup>(7)</sup>
	Afforestation and reforestation	Deforestation	Forest management <sup>(5)</sup>	Cropland management (if elected)	Grazing land management (if elected)	Revegetation (if elected)	Wetland drainage and rewetting (if elected)		
	(kha)								
<b>Article 3.3 activities</b>									
Afforestation and reforestation	1961.66	NO							1961.66
Deforestation		58.86							58.86
<b>Article 3.4 activities</b>									
Forest management		3.69	7452.98						7456.68
Cropland management <sup>(3)</sup> (if elected)	NO		NO	8999.81	NO	NO	NO		8999.81
Grazing land management <sup>(3)</sup> (if elected)	NO		NO	NO	3616.17	NO	NO		3616.17
Revegetation <sup>(3)</sup> (if elected)	NA		NA	NA	NA	NA	NA		NA
Wetland drainage and rewetting <sup>(3)</sup> (if elected)	NA		NA	NA	NA	NA	NA		NA
Other <sup>(4)</sup>	58.31	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	7982.11	8040.42
<b>Total area at the end of the current inventory year</b>	<b>2019.97</b>	<b>62.56</b>	<b>7452.98</b>	<b>8999.81</b>	<b>3616.17</b>	<b>NO,NA</b>	<b>NO,NA</b>	<b>7982.11</b>	<b>30133.60</b>

**Table A8.2.1.9 Areas and changes in areas between the previous and the current inventory year. Land transition matrix 2019**

**Table NIR 2. LAND TRANSITION MATRIX 2019**

	ARTICLE 3.3 ACTIVITIES		ARTICLE 3.4 ACTIVITIES					Other <sup>(6)</sup>	Total area at the end of the previous inventory year <sup>(7)</sup>
	Afforestation and reforestation	Deforestation	Forest management <sup>(5)</sup>	Cropland management (if elected)	Grazing land management (if elected)	Revegetation (if elected)	Wetland drainage and rewetting (if elected)		
	(kha)								
<b>Article 3.3 activities</b>									
Afforestation and reforestation	2019.97	NO							2019.97
Deforestation		62.56							62.56
<b>Article 3.4 activities</b>									
Forest management		3.69	7449.29						7452.98
Cropland management <sup>(3)</sup> (if elected)	NO		NO	8999.81	NO	NO	NO		8999.81
Grazing land management <sup>(3)</sup> (if elected)	NO		NO	NO	3554.25	NO	NO		3554.25
Revegetation <sup>(3)</sup> (if elected)	NA		NA	NA	NA	NA	NA		NA
Wetland drainage and rewetting <sup>(3)</sup> (if elected)	NA		NA	NA	NA	NA	NA		NA
Other <sup>(4)</sup>	58.31	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	7985.72	8044.03
<b>Total area at the end of the current inventory year</b>	<b>2078.28</b>	<b>66.25</b>	<b>7449.29</b>	<b>8999.81</b>	<b>3554.25</b>	<b>NO,NA</b>	<b>NO,NA</b>	<b>7985.72</b>	<b>30133.60</b>

(1) This table should be used to report land area and changes in land area subject to the various activities in the inventory year. For each activity it should be used to report area change between the end of the previous inventory year and the end of the current inventory year. For example, the total area of land subject to forest management in the previous inventory year and which was deforested in the current inventory year, should be reported in the deforestation column and in the forest management row.

(2) In accordance with relevant decisions. Some of the transitions in the matrix are not possible and the cells concerned have been shaded.

(3) Lands subject to cropland management, grazing land management, revegetation or wetland drainage and rewetting that after 2013 are subject to activities other than those under Article 3.3 and 3.4, should still be tracked and reported under cropland management, grazing land management, revegetation or wetland drainage and rewetting, respectively.

(4) Other refers to the area that is reported under Article 3.3 or 3.4 in the current inventory for the first time. This footnote does not apply to the cell belonging to the column and the row "other" to "other".

(5) Changes in area from cropland management, grazing land management, revegetation and wetland drainage and rewetting to forest management should be reported only in the case of carbon equivalent forest conversions.

(6) "Other", in this column, is the area of the country that has never been subject to any activity under Article 3.3 or 3.4

(7) The value in the cell of row "Total area at the end of the current inventory year" corresponds to the total land area of a country. The total land area should be the same for the current inventory year and the previous inventory year in this matrix.

**Table A8.2.1.9 Report of supplementary information for Land Use, Land-Use Change and Forestry activities under the Kyoto Protocol - 1990**  
**Table 4(KP). SUMMARY TABLE – 1990**

	ARTICLE 3.3 ACTIVITIES		ARTICLE 3.4 ACTIVITIES					Other <sup>(6)</sup>	Total area at the end of the previous inventory year <sup>(7)</sup>
	Afforestation and reforestation	Deforestation	Forest management <sup>(5)</sup>	Cropland management (if elected)	Grazing land management (if elected)	Revegetation (if elected)	Wetland drainage and rewetting (if elected)		
	(kha)								
<b>Article 3.3 activities</b>									
Afforestation and reforestation	73.77	NO						73.77	
Deforestation		14.44						14.44	
<b>Article 3.4 activities</b>									
Forest management		0.72	7511.12					7511.84	
Cropland management <sup>(3)</sup> (if elected)	NO		NO	10729.52	NO	NO	NO	10729.52	
Grazing land management <sup>(3)</sup> (if elected)	NO		NO	NO	3825.93	NO	NO	3825.93	
Revegetation <sup>(3)</sup> (if elected)	NA		NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
Wetland drainage and rewetting <sup>(3)</sup> (if elected)	NA		NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
Other <sup>(4)</sup>	78.68	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	7899.42	7978.10	
<b>Total area at the end of the current inventory year</b>	<b>152.45</b>	<b>15.17</b>	<b>7511.12</b>	<b>10729.52</b>	<b>3825.93</b>	<b>NA,NO</b>	<b>NA,NO</b>	<b>7899.42</b>	<b>30133.60</b>

**Table A8.2.1.10 Report of supplementary information for Land Use, Land-Use Change and Forestry activities under the Kyoto Protocol - 2013**  
**Table 4(KP). SUMMARY TABLE – 2013**

GREENHOUSE GAS SOURCE AND SINK ACTIVITIES	Net CO <sub>2</sub> emissions/ removals <sup>(3)</sup>	CH <sub>4</sub> <sup>(4)</sup>	N <sub>2</sub> O <sup>(5)</sup>	Net CO <sub>2</sub> equivalent emissions/removals
	(kt)			
<b>A. Article 3.3 activities</b>				-6047.02
A.1. Afforestation and reforestation <sup>(6)</sup>	-8011.67	0.65	0.02	-7989.34
A.2. Deforestation	1916.85	NO	0.09	1942.32
<b>B. Article 3.4 activities</b>				-33374.15
B.1. Forest management	-30418.12	2.81	0.09	-30321.65
B.2. Cropland management (if elected)	-2309.78	0.31	0.06	-2283.25
B.3. Grazing land management (if elected)	-769.26	NO	NO	-769.26
B.4. Revegetation (if elected)	NA	NA	NA	NA
B.5. Wetland drainage and rewetting (if elected)	NA	NA	NA	NA

**Table A8.2.1.11 Report of supplementary information for Land Use, Land-Use Change and Forestry activities under the Kyoto Protocol - 2014**  
**Table 4(KP). SUMMARY TABLE – 2014**

GREENHOUSE GAS SOURCE AND SINK ACTIVITIES	Net CO <sub>2</sub> emissions/ removals <sup>(3)</sup>	CH <sub>4</sub> <sup>(4)</sup>	N <sub>2</sub> O <sup>(5)</sup>	Net CO <sub>2</sub> equivalent emissions/removals
	(kt)			
<b>A. Article 3.3 activities</b>				-6448.86
A.1. Afforestation and reforestation <sup>(6)</sup>	-8431.35	0.85	0.03	-8402.02
A.2. Deforestation	1927.69	NO	0.09	1953.16
<b>B. Article 3.4 activities</b>				-35108.66
B.1. Forest management	-31469.34	3.56	0.11	-31346.82
B.2. Cropland management (if elected)	-2587.42	0.03	0.03	-2578.34
B.3. Grazing land management (if elected)	-1183.49	NO	NO	-1183.49
B.4. Revegetation (if elected)	NA	NA	NA	NA
B.5. Wetland drainage and rewetting (if elected)	NA	NA	NA	NA

**Table A8.2.1.12 Report of supplementary information for Land Use, Land-Use Change and Forestry activities under the Kyoto Protocol - 2015**  
**Table 4(KP). SUMMARY TABLE – 2015**

GREENHOUSE GAS SOURCE AND SINK ACTIVITIES	Net CO <sub>2</sub> emissions/ removals <sup>(3)</sup>	CH <sub>4</sub> <sup>(4)</sup>	N <sub>2</sub> O <sup>(5)</sup>	Net CO <sub>2</sub> equivalent emissions/removals
	(kt)			
<b>A. Article 3.3 activities</b>				-6898.69
A.1. Afforestation and reforestation <sup>(6)</sup>	-8907.17	1.30	0.04	-8862.63
A.2. Deforestation	1938.27	NO	0.09	1963.94
<b>B. Article 3.4 activities</b>				-36913.58
B.1. Forest management	-32745.07	5.24	0.16	-32564.96
B.2. Cropland management (if elected)	-3506.92	0.10	0.00	-3503.61
B.3. Grazing land management (if elected)	-845.01	NO	NO	-845.01
B.4. Revegetation (if elected)	NA	NA	NA	NA
B.5. Wetland drainage and rewetting (if elected)	NA	NA	NA	NA

**Table A8.2.1.13 Report of supplementary information for Land Use, Land-Use Change and Forestry activities under the Kyoto Protocol - 2016**  
**Table 4(KP). SUMMARY TABLE – 2016**

GREENHOUSE GAS SOURCE AND SINK ACTIVITIES	Net CO <sub>2</sub> emissions/ removals <sup>(3)</sup>	CH <sub>4</sub> <sup>(4)</sup>	N <sub>2</sub> O <sup>(5)</sup>	Net CO <sub>2</sub> equivalent emissions/removals
	(kt)			
<b>A. Article 3.3 activities</b>				-6447.60
A.1. Afforestation and reforestation <sup>(6)</sup>	-8474.33	1.54	0.05	-8421.57
A.2. Deforestation	1948.30	NO	0.09	1973.97
<b>B. Article 3.4 activities</b>				-35828.10
B.1. Forest management	-29734.61	6.02	0.19	-29527.89
B.2. Cropland management (if elected)	-5391.17	0.08	0.07	-5367.09
B.3. Grazing land management (if elected)	-933.11	NO	NO	-933.11
B.4. Revegetation (if elected)	NA	NA	NA	NA
B.5. Wetland drainage and rewetting (if elected)	NA	NA	NA	NA

**Table A8.2.1.14 Report of supplementary information for Land Use, Land-Use Change and Forestry activities under the Kyoto Protocol - 2017**  
**Table 4(KP). SUMMARY TABLE – 2017**

GREENHOUSE GAS SOURCE AND SINK ACTIVITIES	Net CO <sub>2</sub> emissions/ removals <sup>(3)</sup>	CH <sub>4</sub> <sup>(4)</sup>	N <sub>2</sub> O <sup>(5)</sup>	Net CO <sub>2</sub> equivalent emissions/removals
	(kt)			
<b>A. Article 3.3 activities</b>				-3237.13
A.1. Afforestation and reforestation <sup>(6)</sup>	-5538.27	9.46	0.30	-5213.09
A.2. Deforestation	1950.30	NO	0.09	1975.96
<b>B. Article 3.4 activities</b>				-19428.86
B.1. Forest management	-14995.16	35.95	1.13	-13759.68
B.2. Cropland management (if elected)	-5181.20	0.32	0.16	-5126.76
B.3. Grazing land management (if elected)	-542.41	NO	NO	-542.41
B.4. Revegetation (if elected)	NA	NA	NA	NA
B.5. Wetland drainage and rewetting (if elected)	NA	NA	NA	NA

**Table A8.2.1.15 Report of supplementary information for Land Use, Land-Use Change and Forestry activities under the Kyoto Protocol - 2018**

**Table 4(KP). SUMMARY TABLE – 2018**

GREENHOUSE GAS SOURCE AND SINK ACTIVITIES	Net CO <sub>2</sub> emissions/ removals <sup>(3)</sup>	CH <sub>4</sub> <sup>(4)</sup>	N <sub>2</sub> O <sup>(5)</sup>	Net CO <sub>2</sub> equivalent emissions/removals
	(kt)			
<b>A. Article 3.3 activities</b>				-5892.25
A.1. Afforestation and reforestation <sup>(6)</sup>	-7912.47	1.05	0.03	-7876.56
A.2. Deforestation	1958.64	NO	0.09	1984.30
<b>B. Article 3.4 activities</b>				-30331.86
B.1. Forest management	-25011.28	3.85	0.12	-24878.84
B.2. Cropland management (if elected)	-4944.63	0.04	0.22	-4879.14
B.3. Grazing land management (if elected)	-573.89	NO	NO	-573.89
B.4. Revegetation (if elected)	NA	NA	NA	NA
B.5. Wetland drainage and rewetting (if elected)	NA	NA	NA	NA

**Table A8.2.1.15 Report of supplementary information for Land Use, Land-Use Change and Forestry activities under the Kyoto Protocol - 2019**

**Table 4(KP). SUMMARY TABLE – 2019**

GREENHOUSE GAS SOURCE AND SINK ACTIVITIES	Net CO <sub>2</sub> emissions/ removals <sup>(3)</sup>	CH <sub>4</sub> <sup>(4)</sup>	N <sub>2</sub> O <sup>(5)</sup>	Net CO <sub>2</sub> equivalent emissions/removals
	(kt)			
<b>A. Article 3.3 activities</b>				-7023.78
A.1. Afforestation and reforestation <sup>(6)</sup>	-9051.62	0.98	0.03	-9018.10
A.2. Deforestation	1968.65	NO	0.09	1994.32
<b>B. Article 3.4 activities</b>				-36730.74
B.1. Forest management	-31201.37	3.49	0.11	-31081.26
B.2. Cropland management (if elected)	-5096.94	0.07	0.29	-5009.57
B.3. Grazing land management (if elected)	-639.91	NO	NO	-639.91
B.4. Revegetation (if elected)	NA	NA	NA	NA
B.5. Wetland drainage and rewetting (if elected)	NA	NA	NA	NA

(1) All estimates in this table include emissions and removals from projects under Article 6 hosted by the reporting Party.

(2) If cropland management, grazing land management, revegetation and/or wetland drainage and rewetting are elected, this table and all relevant CRF tables shall also be reported for the base year for these activities.

(3) For the purposes of reporting, the signs for removals are always negative (-) and for emissions positive (+). Net changes in carbon stocks are converted to CO<sub>2</sub> by multiplying C by 44/12 and by changing the sign for net CO<sub>2</sub> removals to be negative (-) and net CO<sub>2</sub> emissions to be positive (+).

(4) CH<sub>4</sub> emissions reported here for cropland management, grazing land management, revegetation and/or wetland drainage and rewetting, if elected, include only emissions from drainage or rewetting of organic soils and from biomass burning (with the exception of savanna burning and agricultural residue burning which are reported in the agriculture sector).

(5) N<sub>2</sub>O emissions reported here for cropland management, if elected, include only emissions from biomass burning (with the exception of savannah burning and agricultural residue burning which are reported in the agriculture sector).

(6) As both afforestation and reforestation under Article 3.3 are subject to the same provisions specified in the annex to decision 2/CMP.7, they can be reported together.

## A8.2.2 Standard electronic format

**Table A8.2.2.1 Total quantities of Kyoto Protocol units by account type at beginning of reported year**

Party	Italy
Submission year	2021
Reported year	2020
Commitment period	2

**Table 1. Total quantities of Kyoto Protocol units by account type at beginning of reported year**

	Account type	Unit type					
		AAUs	ERUs	RMUs	CERs	tCERs	
1	Party holding accounts	NO	698,870	NO	975,569	NO	NO
2	Entity holding accounts	NO	402,416	NO	3,944,535	29,694	NO
3	Retirement account	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
4	Previous period surplus reserve account	NO					
5	Article 3.3/3.4 net source cancellation accounts	NO	NO	NO	NO		
6	Non-compliance cancellation account	NO	NO	NO	NO		
7	Voluntary cancellation account	NO	7,660	NO	6,044	NO	NO
8	Cancellation account for remaining units after carry-over	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
9	Article 3.1 ter and quater ambition increase cancellation account	NO					
10	Article 3.7 ter cancellation account	NO					
11	tCER cancellation account for expiry					NO	
12	ICER cancellation account for expiry						NO
13	ICER cancellation account for reversal of storage						NO
14	ICER cancellation account for non-submission of certification report						NO
15	tCER replacement account for expiry	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	
16	ICER replacement account for expiry	NO	NO	NO	NO		
17	ICER replacement account for reversal of storage	NO	NO	NO	NO		NO
18	ICER replacement account for non-submission of certification report	NO	NO	NO	NO		NO
	<b>Total</b>	NO	1,108,946	NO	4,926,148	29,694	NO

Table A8.2.2.2.a Annual internal transactions

Party Italy  
 Submission year 2021  
 Reported year 2020  
 Commitment period 2

Table 2 (a). Annual internal transactions

Transaction type		Additions						Subtractions					
		Unit type						Unit type					
		AAUs	ERUs	RMUs	CERs	tCERs	ICERs	AAUs	ERUs	RMUs	CERs	tCERs	ICERs
<b>Article 6 issuance and conversion</b>													
1	Party-verified projects		NO					NO		NO			
2	Independently verified projects		NO					NO		NO			
<b>Article 3.3 and 3.4 issuance or cancellation</b>													
3	3.3 Afforestation and reforestation			NO				NO	NO	NO	NO		
4	3.3 Deforestation			NO				NO	NO	NO	NO		
5	3.4 Forest management			NO				NO	NO	NO	NO		
6	3.4 Cropland management			NO				NO	NO	NO	NO		
7	3.4 Grazing land management			NO				NO	NO	NO	NO		
8	3.4 Revegetation			NO				NO	NO	NO	NO		
9	3.4 Wetlands drainage and management			NO				NO	NO	NO	NO		
<b>Article 12 afforestation and reforestation</b>													
10	Replacement of expired tCERs							NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	
11	Replacement of expired ICERs							NO	NO	NO	NO		
12	Replacement for reversal of storage							NO	NO	NO	NO		NO
13	Cancellation for reversal of storage												NO
14	Replacement for non-submission of certification report							NO	NO	NO	NO		NO
15	Cancellation for non-submission of certification report												NO
<b>Other cancellation</b>													
16	Voluntary cancellation							NO	2,515	NO	22,282	NO	NO

17	Article 3.1 ter and quater ambition increase cancellation							NO					
	<b>Sub-total</b>		NO	NO				NO	2,515	NO	22,282	NO	NO

Transaction type		Retirement					
		Unit type					
		AAUs	ERUs	RMUs	CERs	tCERs	ICERs
1	Retirement	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
2	Retirement from PPSR	NO					
	<b>Total</b>	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO

Table A8.2.2.2.b Annual external transactions

Table 2 (b). Total annual external transactions

		Additions						Subtractions					
		Unit type						Unit type					
		AAUs	ERUs	RMUs	CERs	tCERs	ICERs	AAUs	ERUs	RMUs	CERs	tCERs	ICERs
<b>Total transfers and acquisitions</b>													
1	CDM	NO	NO	NO	197,165	113,025	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
2	EU	NO	NO	NO	40,665	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	223,431	NO	NO
3	DE	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	23,949	NO	NO
	<b>Sub-total</b>	NO	NO	NO	237,830	113,025	NO	NO	NO	NO	247,380	NO	NO

Table A8.2.2.2.c Annual transactions between PPSR accounts

Table 2 (c). Annual transactions between PPSR accounts

		Additions						Subtractions					
		Unit type						Unit type					
		AAUs	ERUs	RMUs	CERs	tCERs	ICERs	AAUs	ERUs	RMUs	CERs	tCERs	ICERs
<b>Transfers and acquisitions between PPSR accounts</b>													
	<b>Sub-total</b>	NO						NO					

**Table A8.2.2.2.d Share of proceeds transactions under decision 1/CMP.8, paragraph 21 - Adaptation Fund**

**Table 2 (d). Share of proceeds transactions under decision 1/CMP.8, paragraph 21 - Adaptation fund**

		Amount transferred or converted						Amount contributed as SoP to the adaptation fund					
		AAUs	ERUs	RMUs	CERs	tCERs	ICERs	AAUs	ERUs	RMUs	CERs	tCERs	ICERs
1	First international transfers of AAUs	NO						NO					
2	Issuance of ERU from party-verified projects		NO						NO				
3	Issuance of independently verified ERUs		NO						NO				

**Table A8.2.2.2.e Total annual transactions**

**Table 2e Total annual transactions**

1	<b>Total (Sum of sub-totals in table 2a and table 2b)</b>	NO	NO	NO	237,830	113,025	NO	NO	2,515	NO	269,662	NO	NO
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Table A8.2.2.3 Expiry, cancellation and replacement

Party Italy  
 Submission year 2021  
 Reported year 2020  
 Commitment period 2

Table 3. Annual expiry, cancellation and replacement

	Transaction or event type	Requirement to replace or cancel			Replacement						Cancellation					
		Unit type			Unit type						Unit type					
		tCERs	ICERs	CERs	AAUs	ERUs	RMUs	CERs	tCERs	ICERs	AAUs	ERUs	RMUs	CERs	tCERs	ICERs
<b>Temporary CERs</b>																
1	Expired in retirement and replacement accounts	NO			NO	NO	NO	NO	NO							
2	Expired in holding accounts	NO												NO		
<b>Long-term CERs</b>																
3	Expired in retirement and replacement accounts		NO		NO	NO	NO	NO								
4	Expired in holding accounts		NO													NO
5	Subject to reversal of storage		NO		NO	NO	NO	NO		NO						NO
6	Subject to non-submission of certification Report		NO		NO	NO	NO	NO		NO						NO
<b>Carbon Capture and Storage CERs</b>																
7	Subject to net reversal of storage			NO							NO	NO	NO	NO		
8	Subject to non-submission of certification report			NO							NO	NO	NO	NO		
	<b>Total</b>	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO

**Table A8.2.2.4 Total quantities of Kyoto Protocol units by account type at end of reported year**

Party Italy  
 Submission year 2021  
 Reported year 2020  
 Commitment period 1

**Table 4. Total quantities of Kyoto Protocol units by account type at end of reported year**

	Account type	Unit type					
		AAUs	ERUs	RMUs	CERs	tCERs	ICERs
1	Party holding accounts	NO	698,870	NO	975,569	NO	NO
2	Entity holding accounts	NO	399,901	NO	3,912,703	142,719	NO
3	Retirement account	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
4	Previous period surplus reserve account	NO					
5	Article 3.3/3.4 net source cancellation accounts	NO	NO	NO	NO		
6	Non-compliance cancellation account	NO	NO	NO	NO		
7	Voluntary cancellation account	NO	10,175	NO	28,326	NO	NO
8	Cancellation account for remaining units after carry-over	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
9	Article 3.1 ter and quater ambition increase cancellation account	NO					
10	Article 3.7 ter cancellation account	NO					
11	tCER cancellation account for expiry					NO	
12	ICER cancellation account for expiry						NO
13	ICER cancellation account for reversal of storage						NO
14	ICER cancellation account for non-submission of certification report						NO
15	tCER replacement account for expiry	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	
16	ICER replacement account for expiry	NO	NO	NO	NO		
17	ICER replacement account for reversal of storage	NO	NO	NO	NO		NO
18	ICER replacement account for non-submission of certification report	NO	NO	NO	NO		NO
	<b>Total</b>	NO	1,108,946	NO	4,916,598	142,719	NO

**Table A8.2.2.5.a Summary information on additions and subtractions**

Party Italy  
 Submission year 2021  
 Reported year 2020  
 Commitment period 1

**Table 5 (a). Summary information on additions and subtractions**

		Additions						Subtractions						
		Unit type						Unit type						
		AAUs	ERUs	RMUs	CERs	tCERs	ICERs	AAUs	ERUs	RMUs	CERs	tCERs	ICERs	
1	Assigned amount units issued	NO												
2	Article 3 paragraph 7 ter cancellations							NO						
3	Cancellation following increase in ambition							NO						
4	Cancellation of remaining units after carry over							NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
5	Non-compliance cancellation							NO	NO	NO	NO			
6	Carry-over		1,108,946		2,112,952				NO		NO			
7	Carry-over to PPSR	NO						NO						
	<b>Total</b>	NO	1,108,946		2,112,952			NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO

Table A8.2.2.5.b Summary information on annual transactions

Table 5 (b). Summary information on annual transactions

		Additions						Subtractions					
		Unit type						Unit type					
		AAUs	ERUs	RMUs	CERs	tCERs	ICERs	AAUs	ERUs	RMUs	CERs	tCERs	ICERs
1	Year 1 (2013)	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
2	Year 2 (2014)	NO	NO	NO	168,770	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	168,671	NO	NO
3	Year 3 (2015)	NO	NO	NO	3,365,100	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	2,051,147	NO	NO
4	Year 4 (2016)	NO	NO	NO	715,832	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	297,919	NO	NO
5	Year 5 (2017)	NO	NO	NO	647,472	NO	NO	NO	7,659	NO	393,002	NO	NO
6	Year 6 (2018)	NO	NO	NO	278,361	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	22,474	NO	NO
7	Year 7 (2019)	NO	NO	NO	622,614	29,694	NO	NO	1	NO	57,784	NO	NO
8	Year 8 (2020)	NO	NO	NO	237,830	113,025	NO	NO	2,515	NO	269,662	NO	NO
9	Year 2021	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
10	Year 2022	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
11	Year 2023	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
	<b>Total</b>	NO	NO	NO	6,035,979	142,719	NO	NO	10,175	NO	3,260,659	NO	NO

Table A8.2.2.5.c Summary information on annual transactions between PPSR accounts

Table 5 (c). Summary information on annual transactions between PPSR accounts

		Additions						Subtractions					
		Unit type						Unit type					
		AAUs	ERUs	RMUs	CERs	tCERs	ICERs	AAUs	ERUs	RMUs	CERs	tCERs	ICERs
1	Year 1 (2013)	NO						NO					
2	Year 2 (2014)	NO						NO					
3	Year 3 (2015)	NO						NO					
4	Year 4 (2016)	NO						NO					
5	Year 5 (2017)	NO						NO					
6	Year 6 (2018)	NO						NO					
7	Year 7 (2019)	NO						NO					
8	Year 8 (2020)	NO						NO					
9	Year 2021	NO						NO					
10	Year 2022	NO						NO					
11	Year 2023	NO						NO					
	<b>Total</b>	NO						NO					

Table A8.2.2.5.d Summary information on expiry, cancellation and replacement

Table 5 (d). Summary information on expiry, cancellation and replacement

		Requirement to replace or cancel			Replacement						Cancellation					
		Unit type			Unit type						Unit type					
		tCERs	ICERs	CERs	AAUs	ERUs	RMUs	CERs	tCERs	ICERs	AAUs	ERUs	RMUs	CERs	tCERs	ICERs
1	Year 1 (2013)	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
2	Year 2 (2014)	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
3	Year 3 (2015)	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
4	Year 4 (2016)	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
5	Year 5 (2017)	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
6	Year 6 (2018)	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
7	Year 7 (2019)	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
8	Year 8 (2020)	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
9	Year 2021	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
10	Year 2022	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
11	Year 2023	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
	<b>Total</b>	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO

Table A8.2.2.5.e Summary information on retirement

Table 5 (e). Summary information on retirement

		Retirement					
		Unit type					
		AAUs	ERUs	RMUs	CERs	tCERs	ICERs
1	Year 1 (2013)	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
2	Year 2 (2014)	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
3	Year 3 (2015)	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
4	Year 4 (2016)	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
5	Year 5 (2017)	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
6	Year 6 (2018)	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
7	Year 7 (2019)	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
8	Year 8 (2020)	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
9	Year 2021	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
10	Year 2022	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
11	Year 2023	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
	<b>Total</b>	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO

Table A8.2.2.6.a, b, c Memo item: corrective transactions relating to addition and subtractions, replacement and retirement

Party Italy  
 Submission year 2021  
 Reported year 2020  
 Commitment period 2

Table 6 (a). Memo item: Corrective transactions relating to additions and subtractions

	Additions						Subtractions					
	Unit type						Unit type					
	AAUs	ERUs	RMUs	CERs	tCERs	ICERs	AAUs	ERUs	RMUs	CERs	tCERs	ICERs

Table 6 (b). Memo item: Corrective transactions relating to replacement

	Requirement for replacement		Replacement					
	Unit type		Unit type					
	tCERs	ICERs	AAUs	ERUs	RMUs	CERs	tCERs	ICERs

Table 6 (c). Memo item: Corrective transactions relating to retirement

	Retirement					
	Unit type					
	AAUs	ERUs	RMUs	CERs	tCERs	ICERs

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### A8.2.3 National registry

#### A8.2.3.1 Changes to national registry

Changes to national registry are described in Chapter 12.

#### A8.2.3.2 Reports

- i) **list of discrepancies**  
no discrepancies occurred during the reporting period
- ii) **notifications from EB of CDM**  
no CDM notifications were received by the Registry during the reporting period
- iii) **non-replacements**  
no non-replacements occurred during the reporting period
- iv) **invalid units**  
no invalid units to list for the reporting period

#### A8.2.4 Adverse impacts under Article 3, paragraph 14 of the Kyoto Protocol

Chapter 14 presents information on the commitments to tackle adverse impacts under Article 3, paragraph 14, of the Kyoto Protocol. Additional information which can be added is the list of all registered CDM projects in which Italy is involved.

**Table A8.2.3.1 Information of the 129 registered CDM projects where Italy is involved (as for 01/03/2021)**

Title	Host Parties	Other Parties	Impacts assessment
<a href="#">Project for GHG emission reduction by thermal oxidation of HFC 23 in Gujarat, India.</a>	India (b)	Switzerland, Japan, Netherlands, Italy, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	
<a href="#">Brazil NovaGerar Landfill Gas to Energy Project</a>	Brazil (b)	Netherlands, Italy, Luxembourg, Switzerland, Japan, Spain	
<a href="#">La Esperanza Hydroelectric Project</a>	Honduras (a)	Canada, Netherlands, Italy, Denmark, Finland, Austria, Luxembourg, Belgium, Sweden, Germany, Switzerland, Japan, Norway, Spain	Nussbaumer (2009) + CDCF, Gold Standard *
<a href="#">Project for GHG Emission Reduction by Thermal Oxidation of HFC23 in Jiangsu Meilan Chemical CO. Ltd., Jiangsu Province, China</a>	China (b)	Canada, Netherlands, Italy, Denmark, Finland, France, Sweden, Germany, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Switzerland, Japan, Norway, Spain	
<a href="#">Santa Rosa</a>	Peru (a)	Canada, Netherlands, Italy, Denmark, Finland, Austria, Luxembourg, Belgium, Sweden, Germany, Switzerland, Japan, Norway, Spain	Nussbaumer (2009) + CDCF
<a href="#">DSL Biomass based Power Project at Pagara</a>	India (a)	Italy, Germany, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	Sirohi (2007)
<a href="#">GHG emission reduction by thermal oxidation of HFC 23 at refrigerant (HCFC-22) manufacturing facility of SRF Ltd</a>	India (b)	Netherlands, Italy, France, Germany, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Switzerland	Sirohi (2007)
<a href="#">Biogas Support Program - Nepal (BSP-Nepal) Activity-1</a>	Nepal (a)	Canada, Netherlands, Italy, Denmark, Finland, Sweden, Luxembourg, Switzerland, Austria, Germany, Belgium, Japan, Norway, Spain	Nussbaumer (2009) + CDCF, SD Tool *
<a href="#">Biogas Support Program - Nepal (BSP-Nepal) Activity-2</a>	Nepal (a)	Canada, Netherlands, Italy, Denmark, Finland, Sweden, Luxembourg, Switzerland, Austria, Germany, Belgium, Japan, Norway, Spain	Nussbaumer (2009) + CDCF, SD Tool *
<a href="#">Olavarría Landfill Gas Recovery Project</a>	Argentina (c)	Canada, Netherlands, Italy, Denmark, Finland, Sweden, Luxembourg, Switzerland, Austria, Germany, Belgium, Japan, Norway, Spain	Nussbaumer (2009) + CDCF
<a href="#">Moldova Biomass Heating in Rural Communities (Project Design Document No. 1)</a>	Republic of Moldova (a)	Canada, Netherlands, Italy, Denmark, Finland, Austria, Luxembourg, Belgium, Sweden, Germany, Switzerland, Japan, Norway, Spain	Nussbaumer (2009) + CDCF, SD Tool *
<a href="#">Moldova Biomass Heating in Rural Communities (Project Design Document No. 2)</a>	Republic of Moldova (a)	Canada, Netherlands, Italy, Denmark, Finland, Sweden, Luxembourg, Switzerland, Austria, Germany, Belgium, Japan, Norway, Spain	Nussbaumer (2009) + CDCF, SD Tool *
<a href="#">Moldova Energy Conservation and Greenhouse Gases Emissions Reduction</a>	Republic of Moldova (a)	Canada, Netherlands, Italy, Denmark, Finland, Sweden, Luxembourg, Switzerland, Austria, Germany, Belgium, Japan, Norway, Spain	SD Tool *

Title	Host Parties	Other Parties	Impacts assessment
<a href="#">Aleo Manali 3 MW Small Hydroelectric Project, Himachal Pradesh, India</a>	India (a)	Switzerland, Italy, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	Nussbaumer (2009), Sirohi (2007)
<a href="#">Landfill gas recovery at the Norte III Landfill, Buenos Aires, Argentina.</a>	Argentina (b)	Switzerland, Italy	
<a href="#">5 MW Wind Power Project at Baramsar and Soda Mada, district Jaisalmer, Rajasthan, India.</a>	India (a)	Italy	Nussbaumer (2009), Sirohi (2007)
<a href="#">Project for HFC23 Decomposition at Changshu 3F Zhonghao New Chemical Materials Co. Ltd, Changshu, Jiangsu Province, China</a>	China (b)	Canada, Netherlands, Italy, Denmark, Finland, France, Sweden, Germany, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Switzerland, Japan, Norway, Spain	
<a href="#">Puente Gallego Landfill gas recovery project, Gallego, Rosario, Argentina.</a>	Argentina (b)	Switzerland, Italy	
<a href="#">Djebel Chekir Landfill Gas Recovery and Flaring Project – Tunisia</a>	Tunisia (c)	Italy	
<a href="#">Facilitating Reforestation for Guangxi Watershed Management in Pearl River Basin</a>	China (b,d)	Japan, Italy, Spain, Luxembourg, France	Córdoba et al. (2010)
<a href="#">Project for HFC23 Decomposition at Zhejiang Dongyang Chemical Co., Ltd., China</a>	China (b)	Switzerland, Netherlands, Italy, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	
<a href="#">Project for HFC23 Decomposition at Limin Chemical Co., Ltd. Linhai, Zhejiang Province, China</a>	China (b)	Switzerland, Netherlands, Italy, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	
<a href="#">Recovery of associated gas that would otherwise be flared at Kwale oil-gas processing plant, Nigeria</a>	Nigeria (b)	Italy	
<a href="#">Landfill Gas Recovery and Flaring for 9 bundled landfills in Tunisia</a>	Tunisia (c)	Italy	
<a href="#">India-FaL-G Brick and Blocks Project No.1</a>	India (a)	Canada, Netherlands, Italy, Denmark, Finland, Austria, Luxembourg, Belgium, Sweden, Germany, Switzerland, Japan, Norway, Spain	Nussbaumer (2009) + CDCF
<a href="#">HFC23 Decomposition Project at Zhonghao Chenguang Research Institute of Chemical Industry, Zigong, SiChuan Province, China</a>	China (b)	Switzerland, Netherlands, Italy, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	
<a href="#">Huadian Inner Mongolia Huitengxile 100.25MW Wind Farm Project</a>	China (c)	Italy	Boyd et al. (2009)
<a href="#">Yunnan Whitewaters Hydropower Development Project</a>	China (c)	Italy	Nussbaumer (2009)
<a href="#">La Venta II</a>	Mexico (c)	Japan, Italy, Luxembourg, Spain	
<a href="#">Allain Duhangan Hydroelectric Project (ADHP)</a>	India (c)	Germany, Italy	

Title	Host Parties	Other Parties	Impacts assessment
<a href="#">Guangrun Hydropower Project in Hubei Province, P.R. China</a>	China (c)	Canada, Netherlands, Italy, Finland, Austria, Luxembourg, Belgium, Sweden, Germany, Switzerland, Japan, Norway, Spain	Nussbaumer (2009) + CDCF
<a href="#">Landfill gas recovery and electricity generation at “Mtoni Dumpsite”, Dar Es Salaam, Tanzania</a>	United Republic of Tanzania (c)	Italy	
<a href="#">Rongcheng Dongchudao Wind Farm</a>	China (a)	Italy,	
<a href="#">Laizhou Diaolongzui Wind Farm</a>	China (c)	Italy	
<a href="#">Hebbakavadi Canal Based Mini Hydro Project in Karnataka, India</a>	India (a)	Switzerland, Italy	
<a href="#">Quezon City Controlled Disposal Facility Biogas Emission Reduction Project</a>	Philippines (a)	Switzerland, Sweden, Italy, Spain	
<a href="#">Chile: Quilleco Hydroelectric Project</a>	Chile (b)	Netherlands, Italy, Luxembourg, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Japan, Spain	
<a href="#">Montevideo Landfill Gas Capture and Flare Project</a>	Uruguay (c)	Belgium, Italy, Sweden, Germany, Spain	
<a href="#">Yunnan Lashai Hydropower Project</a>	China (c)	Italy, Spain	
<a href="#">Guyana Skeldon Bagasse Cogeneration Project</a>	Guyana (c)	Canada, Netherlands, Italy, Denmark, Finland, Austria, Luxembourg, Belgium, Sweden, Germany, Switzerland, Japan, Norway, Spain	
<a href="#">Laguna de Bay Community Waste Management Project: Avoidance of methane production from biomass decay through composting -1</a>	Philippines (a)	Canada, Netherlands, Italy, Denmark, Finland, Austria, Luxembourg, Belgium, Sweden, Germany, Switzerland, Japan, Norway, Spain	
<a href="#">Uganda Nile Basin Reforestation Project No.3</a>	Uganda (a,d)	Canada, Italy, Luxembourg, France, Japan, Spain	
<a href="#">Coke Dry Quenching (CDQ) Waste Heat Recovery for Power Generation Project of Wugang No. 9 and 10 Coke Ovens</a>	China (c)	Italy	
<a href="#">Community-Based Renewable Energy Development in the Northern Areas and Chitral (NAC), Pakistan</a>	Pakistan (a)	Canada, Netherlands, Italy, Denmark, Finland, Sweden, Luxembourg, Switzerland, Austria, Germany, Belgium, Japan, Norway, Spain	
<a href="#">Guizhou Zhenyuan Putian Hydropower Station</a>	China (a)	Italy	
<a href="#">Animal Manure Management System (AMMS) GHG Mitigation Project, Shandong Minhe Livestock Co. Ltd., Penglai, Shandong Province, P.R. of China</a>	China (c)	Canada, Netherlands, Italy, Denmark, Finland, Austria, Luxembourg, Switzerland, Sweden, Germany, Belgium, Japan, Norway, Spain	
<a href="#">Shenyang Laohuchong LFG Power Generation Project</a>	China (c)	Switzerland, Italy	
<a href="#">Kunming Dongjiao Baishuitang LFG Treatment and Power Generation Project</a>	China (c)	Switzerland, Italy	
<a href="#">Yingpeng HFC23 Decomposition Project</a>	China (b)	France, Italy, Ireland, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	

<b>Title</b>	<b>Host Parties</b>	<b>Other Parties</b>	<b>Impacts assessment</b>
<a href="#">Moldova Soil Conservation Project</a>	Republic of Moldova (b,d)	Canada, Netherlands, Italy, Finland, Luxembourg, France, Sweden, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Japan, Norway, Spain	Cóndor et al. (2010)
<a href="#">Expansion Project of Huadian Inner Mongolia Huitengxile Wind Farm</a>	China (c)	Italy	
<a href="#">Monterrey II LFG to Energy Project</a>	Mexico (c)	Belgium, Denmark, Sweden, Germany, Italy	*
<a href="#">Hubei Eco-Farming Biogas Project Phase I</a>	China (a)	Canada, Netherlands, Italy, Denmark, Finland, Austria, Luxembourg, Switzerland, Sweden, Germany, Belgium, Japan, Norway, Spain	SD Tool *
<a href="#">Salta Landfill Gas Capture Project</a>	Argentina (a)	Canada, Netherlands, Italy, Denmark, Finland, Austria, Luxembourg, Switzerland, Sweden, Germany, Belgium, Japan, Norway, Spain	
<a href="#">Yunnan Tengchong Longchuan River Stage I Hydropower Plant, China</a>	China (c)	Sweden, Netherlands, Italy	
<a href="#">NISCO Converter Gas Recovery and Utilization for Power Generation Project</a>	China (c)	Italy	
<a href="#">Reforestation as Renewable Source of Wood Supplies for Industrial Use in Brazil</a>	Brazil (b,d)	Netherlands, Italy, Finland, Luxembourg, France, Sweden, Ireland, Switzerland, Japan, Norway, Spain	
<a href="#">Yunnan Maguan Laqi Hydropower Project</a>	China (c)	Italy, Spain	
<a href="#">Assisted Natural Regeneration of Degraded Lands in Albania</a>	Albania (b,d)	Canada, Italy, Luxembourg, France, Japan, Spain	Cóndor et al. (2010)
<a href="#">Composting of Organic Content of Municipal Solid Waste in Lahore</a>	Pakistan (b)	Belgium, Denmark, Sweden, Italy, Germany	
<a href="#">Jiangsu Xiangshui 201MW Wind Power Project</a>	China (c)	Sweden, Italy	
<a href="#">Félou Regional Hydropower Project</a>	Mali (c)	Belgium, Germany, Sweden, Italy, Spain	
<a href="#">Yunnan Maguan Mihu River 3rd Level Hydropower Station</a>	China (c)	Italy	
<a href="#">Sichuan Mabian Yi Minority Autonomous County Yonglexi Hydropower Station</a>	China (a)	Italy	
<a href="#">Chongqing Wanzhou Xiangjiazui Hydropower Station</a>	China (a)	Italy	
<a href="#">Wugang Gas-Steam Combined Cycle Power Plant (CCPP) Project</a>	China (c)	Italy	
<a href="#">Aberdare Range/ Mt. Kenya Small Scale Reforestation Initiative Kamae-Kipipiri Small Scale A/R Project</a>	Kenya (a,d)	Canada, Italy, Luxembourg, France, Japan, Spain	
<a href="#">Aberdare Range / Mt. Kenya Small Scale Reforestation Initiative Kirimara-Kithithina Small Scale A/R Project</a>	Kenya (a,d)	Canada, Italy, Luxembourg, France, Japan, Spain	
<a href="#">Wugang Waste Gas Recovery and Power Generation Project</a>	China (c)	Italy	
<a href="#">Landfill biogas extraction and combustion plant in El Inga I and II landfill (Quito, Ecuador)</a>	Ecuador (c)	Italy	

<b>Title</b>	<b>Host Parties</b>	<b>Other Parties</b>	<b>Impacts assessment</b>
<a href="#">Gas-Steam Combined Cycle Power Plant (CCPP) Project of Laiwu Iron &amp; Steel Group Corp.</a>	China (c)	Netherlands, Italy	
<a href="#">Rwanda Electrogaz Compact Fluorescent Lamp (CFL) distribution project</a>	Rwanda (a)	Canada, Netherlands, Italy, Denmark, Finland, Sweden, Luxembourg, Switzerland, Austria, Germany, Belgium, Japan, Norway, Spain	SD Tool *
<a href="#">Shanxi Shuangliang Cement Company LTD. 4.5MW Waste Heat for Power Generation Project</a>	China (c)	Italy	
<a href="#">Xianggelila Huajiaopo Hydropower Station</a>	China (a)	Italy	
<a href="#">Jinping Maocaoping Hydropower Station</a>	China (a)	Italy	
<a href="#">Micro-hydro Promotion</a>	Nepal (a)	Netherlands, Italy, Denmark, Finland, Austria, Luxembourg, Belgium, Sweden, Germany, Switzerland, Japan, Norway, Spain	SD Tool *
<a href="#">Olkaria II Geothermal Expansion Project</a>	Kenya (c)	Canada, Netherlands, Italy, Denmark, Finland, Sweden, Luxembourg, Switzerland, Austria, Germany, Belgium, Japan, Norway, Spain	SD Tool *
<a href="#">Municipal Solid Waste (MSW) Composting Project in Ikorodu, Lagos State</a>	Nigeria (b)	Italy, Portugal, Luxembourg, Sweden, Germany, Ireland, Belgium, Norway	
<a href="#">AES Tietê Afforestation/Reforestation Project in the State of São Paulo, Brazil</a>	Brazil (b,d)	Canada, Italy, Luxembourg, France, Japan, Spain	
<a href="#">Mungcharoen Green Power - 9.9 MW Rice Husk Fired Power Plant Project</a>	Thailand (a)	Italy	
<a href="#">Southern Nicaragua CDM Reforestation Project</a>	Nicaragua (a,d)	Canada, Italy, Luxembourg, France, Japan, Spain	
<a href="#">Jinping Maguo River Hydropower Station</a>	China (a)	Italy	
<a href="#">Uganda Nile Basin Reforestation Project No.5</a>	Uganda (a,d)	Japan, Italy, Spain, Luxembourg, France	
<a href="#">Yunnan Yingjiang Zhina River 2nd Level Hydropower Station Phase 1 and Phase 2</a>	China (c)	Italy	
<a href="#">Improving Rural Livelihoods Through Carbon Sequestration By Adopting Environment Friendly Technology based Agroforestry Practices</a>	India (b,d)	Canada, Italy, Luxembourg, France, Japan, Spain	
<a href="#">Hydro electric power project by SJVNL in Himachal Pradesh</a>	India (c)	Belgium, Germany, Sweden, Italy	
<a href="#">India-FaL-G Brick and Blocks Project No.2.</a>	India (a)	Netherlands, Italy, Denmark, Finland, Austria, Luxembourg, Switzerland, Sweden, Germany, Belgium, Japan, Norway, Spain	Nussbaumer (2009) + CDCF
<a href="#">Monterrey I LFG to Energy Project</a>	Mexico (c)	Belgium, Denmark, Sweden, Germany, Italy	
<a href="#">Yunnan Er'yuan Misha River Longdi Hydropower Station</a>	China (a)	Italy	
<a href="#">Yunnan Yingjiang Zhina River 1st Level Hydropower Station</a>	China (a)	Italy	
<a href="#">India-FaL-G Brick and Blocks Project No.3</a>	India (a)	Netherlands, Italy, Denmark, Finland, Austria, Luxembourg, Switzerland, Sweden, Germany, Belgium, Japan, Norway, Spain	

Title	Host Parties	Other Parties	Impacts assessment
<a href="#">Fujian Shanghang Jiantou 9.8 MW hydropower Station Project</a>	China (a)	Italy	
<a href="#">Uganda Nile Basin Reforestation Project No 1</a>	Uganda (a,d)	Japan, Italy, Spain, Luxembourg, France	
<a href="#">Uganda Nile Basin Reforestation Project No 2</a>	Uganda (a,d)	Japan, Italy, Spain, Luxembourg, France	
<a href="#">Uganda Nile Basin Reforestation Project No 4</a>	Uganda (a,d)	Japan, Italy, Spain, Luxembourg, France	
<a href="#">Jiangsu Hantian Cement Waste Heat Recovery Power Generation Project</a>	China (c)	Italy	
<a href="#">Redevelopment of Tana Hydro Power Station Project</a>	Kenya (c)	Netherlands, Italy, Finland, Sweden, Luxembourg, Switzerland, Austria, Germany, Belgium, Japan, Norway, Spain	
<a href="#">Improving Kiln Efficiency in the Brick Making Industry in Bangladesh</a>	Bangladesh (a)	Netherlands, Italy, Denmark, Finland, Austria, Luxembourg, Switzerland, Sweden, Germany, Belgium, Japan, Norway, Spain	SD Tool *
<a href="#">Shanxi Linfen 2x6MW Coke Oven Gas Power Generation Project</a>	China (c)	Italy	
<a href="#">Tongdao County Laorongtan Hydropower Station Project</a>	China (a)	Italy	
<a href="#">Biogas Support Program - Nepal Activity-3</a>	Nepal (a)	Netherlands, Italy, Denmark, Finland, Sweden, Luxembourg, Switzerland, Austria, Germany, Belgium, Japan, Norway, Spain	SD Tool *
<a href="#">Biogas Support Program - Nepal Activity-4</a>	Nepal (a)	Netherlands, Italy, Denmark, Finland, Sweden, Luxembourg, Switzerland, Austria, Germany, Belgium, Japan, Norway, Spain	SD Tool *
<a href="#">Nam Mo Hydropower Project</a>	Viet Nam (c)	Italy	
<a href="#">Nam Non Hydropower Project</a>	Viet Nam (c)	Italy	
<a href="#">Improving Kiln Efficiency in the Brick Making Industry in Bangladesh (Bundle-2)</a>	Bangladesh (a)	Netherlands, Italy, Denmark, Finland, Austria, Luxembourg, Switzerland, Sweden, Germany, Belgium, Japan, Norway, Spain	SD Tool *
<a href="#">WISCO 1234# Coke Dry Quenching (CDQ) Waste Heat Recovery for Cogeneration Project in Hubei Province</a>	China (c)	Italy	
<a href="#">Yunnan Province Deqin County Chunduole Hydropower Station</a>	China (c)	Italy	
<a href="#">Sichuan Province Li County Lunganqiao Hydropower Project</a>	China (c)	Italy	
<a href="#">Xuanen County Shuangxi Hydropower Project</a>	China (c)	Italy	
<a href="#">Fujian Shanghang Huilong 9.9 MW hydropower Station Project</a>	China (a)	Italy	
<a href="#">Guodian Weifang Binhai Wind Farm Phase II Project</a>	China (c)	Italy	
<a href="#">Carbon Sequestration in Small and Medium Farms in the Brunca Region, Costa Rica (COOPEAGRI Project)</a>	Costa Rica (b,d)	Canada, Italy, Luxembourg, France, Japan, Spain	
<a href="#">Use of Charcoal from Renewable Biomass Plantations as Reducing Agent in Pig Iron Mill in Brazil</a>	Brazil (b)	Netherlands, Italy, Luxembourg, Australia, Switzerland, Japan, Spain	

Title	Host Parties	Other Parties	Impacts assessment
<a href="#">Ningxia Helanshan Wind-farm (Touguan) Dalisi 49.5MW Wind Power Project</a>	China (c)	Italy	
<a href="#">Ningxia Taiyangshan Windfarm Shengpeng 49.5MW Project</a>	China (c)	Italy	
<a href="#">Wushan Houxihe Hydropower Station Project</a>	China (c)	Italy	
<a href="#">Kainji Hydropower Rehabilitation Project, Nigeria</a>	Nigeria (c)	Belgium, Germany, Sweden, Italy	
<a href="#">Optimisation of Kiambere Hydro Power Project</a>	Kenya (c)	Netherlands, Italy, Luxembourg, Austria, Germany, Belgium, Japan, Spain	
<a href="#">Aeolis Beberibe Wind Park</a>	Brazil (c)	Italy	
<a href="#">Aeolis 2011 Wind Parks</a>	Brazil (c)	Italy	
<a href="#">Yanyuan County Majingzi Hydropower Project</a>	China (a)	Italy	
<a href="#">Partial substitution of fossil fuels with biomass at “Les Ciments Artificiels Tunisiens” cement plant, Tunis.</a>	Tunisia (c)	Italy	
<a href="#">Golden Jumping Group 12MWp Solar Power Project</a>	China (a)	Italy	
<a href="#">LFG Recovery and Electricity Production at the Bubanj Landfill Site, Nis, Serbia</a>	Serbia (a)	Italy	
<a href="#">Hydropower Plant Otilovici</a>	Montenegro (a)	Italy	
<a href="#">Partial Fuel Switching to Agricultural Wastes &amp; Refuse Derived Fuel (RDF) at Kattameya cement plant</a>	Egypt (c)	Italy	
<a href="#">Phu Quy Wind Power Project</a>	Viet Nam (a)	Italy	
<a href="#">Partial Fuel Switching to Agricultural Wastes, Sewage Sludge &amp; Refuse Derived Fuel (RDF) at Helwan cement plant</a>	Egypt (c)	Italy	
<a href="#">Niger Acacia Senegal Plantation Project</a>	Niger (c,d) (**)	Japan, Italy, Luxembourg, Spain	CCB, Withdrawn

Source: <https://cdm.unfccc.int/Projects/projsearch.html>

(a)AMS, Small scale; (b) AM - Large scale; (c) ACM - Consolidated Methodologies; (d) Afforestation/reforestation; (\*) project included in the UNEP Risoe Centre Database and labelled SD Tool, Gold Standard & CCB project (validation); CCB= obtained the CCB standards (UNEP Risoe database); CDCF= Community Development Carbon Fund; (\*\*) new project with Italy involved compared to previous submission.

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## **ANNEX 9: METHODOLOGIES, DATA SOURCES AND EMISSION FACTORS**

This appendix shows methodologies, data sources and emission factors used for the Italian greenhouse gas emission inventory.

**Table A9.1 Methods, activity data and emission factors used for the Italian inventory**

Information on methods used could be the tier method, the model or a country-specific approach. Activity data could be from national statistics or plant-specific. Emission factors could be the IPCC default emission factors as outlined in 2006 IPCC guidelines for national greenhouse gas inventories and in the IPCC good practice guidance, country-specific emission factors, plant-specific emission factors or CORINAIR emission factors developed under the 1979 Convention on Long-Range Transboundary Air Pollution.

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**Table I -1: Summary report for methods, activity data and emission factors used (Energy)**

GREENHOUSE GAS SOURCE AND SINK CATEGORIES	CO <sub>2</sub>				CH <sub>4</sub>				N <sub>2</sub> O			
	Key source <sup>(1)</sup>	Method applied <sup>(2)</sup>	Activity data <sup>(3)</sup>	Emission factor <sup>(4)</sup>	Key source <sup>(1)</sup>	Method applied <sup>(2)</sup>	Activity data <sup>(3)</sup>	Emission factor <sup>(4)</sup>	Key source <sup>(1)</sup>	Method applied <sup>(2)</sup>	Activity data <sup>(3)</sup>	Emission factor <sup>(4)</sup>
<b>1. Energy</b>												
<b>1.A. Fuel combustion</b>												
<b>1.A.1. Energy industries</b>												
Liquid fuels	Yes				No				No			
Solid fuels	Yes				No				No			
Gaseous fuels	Yes				No				No			
Other fossil fuels	No				No				No			
Biomass	No				No				No			
Peat	No				No				No			
<b>a. Public electricity and heat production</b>												
Liquid fuels		T3	NS, PS	CS		T3	NS, PS	CR,D		T3	NS, PS	CR,D
Solid fuels		T3	NS, PS	CS		T3	NS, PS	CR,D		T3	NS, PS	CR,D
Gaseous fuels		T3	NS, PS	CS		T3	NS, PS	CR,D		T3	NS, PS	CR,D
Other fossil fuels		T3	NS, PS	CS		T3	NS, PS	CR,D		T3	NS, PS	CR,D
Biomass		T3	NS, PS	CS		T3	NS, PS	CR,D		T3	NS, PS	CR,D
Peat		NO	NO	NO		NO	NO	NO		NO	NO	NO
<b>b. Petroleum refining</b>												
Liquid fuels		T3	NS, PS	CS		T3	NS, PS	CR,D		T3	NS, PS	CR,D

GREENHOUSE GAS SOURCE AND SINK CATEGORIES	CO <sub>2</sub>				CH <sub>4</sub>				N <sub>2</sub> O			
	Key source <sup>(1)</sup>	Method applied <sup>(2)</sup>	Activity data <sup>(3)</sup>	Emission factor <sup>(4)</sup>	Key source <sup>(1)</sup>	Method applied <sup>(2)</sup>	Activity data <sup>(3)</sup>	Emission factor <sup>(4)</sup>	Key source <sup>(1)</sup>	Method applied <sup>(2)</sup>	Activity data <sup>(3)</sup>	Emission factor <sup>(4)</sup>
Gaseous fuels		T3	NS, PS	CS		T3	NS, PS	CR,D		T3	NS, PS	CR,D
c. Manufacture of solid fuels and other energy industries												
Liquid fuels		T3	NS, PS	CS		T3	NS, PS	CR,D		T3	NS, PS	CR,D
Solid fuels		T3	NS, PS	CS		T3	NS, PS	CR,D		T3	NS, PS	CR,D
Gaseous fuels		T3	NS, PS	CS		T3	NS, PS	CR,D		T3	NS, PS	CR,D
<b>1.A.2 Manufacturing Industries and Construction</b>												
Liquid fuels	Yes				No				Yes			
Solid fuels	Yes				No				No			
Gaseous fuels	Yes				No				No			
Other fossil fuels	No				No				No			
Biomass	No				No				No			
a. Iron and Steel												
Liquid fuels		T2	NS, PS	CS		T2	NS, PS	CR,D		T2	NS, PS	CR,D
Solid fuels		T2	NS, PS	CS		T2	NS, PS	CR,D		T2	NS, PS	CR,D
Gaseous fuels		T2	NS, PS	CS		T2	NS, PS	CR,D		T2	NS, PS	CR,D
b. Non-Ferrous Metals												
Liquid fuels		T2	NS, PS	CS		T2	NS, PS	CR,D		T2	NS, PS	CR,D
Solid fuels		T2	NS, PS	CS		T2	NS, PS	CR,D		T2	NS, PS	CR,D
Gaseous fuels		T2	NS, PS	CS		T2	NS, PS	CR,D		T2	NS, PS	CR,D
c. Chemicals												
Liquid fuels		T2	NS, PS	CS		T2	NS, PS	CR,D		T2	NS, PS	CR,D
Solid fuels		T2	NS, PS	CS		T2	NS, PS	CR,D		T2	NS, PS	CR,D
Gaseous fuels		T2	NS, PS	CS		T2	NS, PS	CR,D		T2	NS, PS	CR,D
Other fossil fuels		NO	NO	NO		NO	NO	NO		NO	NO	NO
Biomass		NO	NO	NO		NO	NO	NO		NO	NO	NO
d. Pulp, Paper and Print												
Liquid fuels		T2	NS, PS	CS		T2	NS, PS	CR,D		T2	NS, PS	CR,D
Gaseous fuels		T2	NS, PS	CS		T2	NS, PS	CR,D		T2	NS, PS	CR,D

GREENHOUSE GAS SOURCE AND SINK CATEGORIES	CO <sub>2</sub>				CH <sub>4</sub>				N <sub>2</sub> O			
	Key source <sup>(1)</sup>	Method applied <sup>(2)</sup>	Activity data <sup>(3)</sup>	Emission factor <sup>(4)</sup>	Key source <sup>(1)</sup>	Method applied <sup>(2)</sup>	Activity data <sup>(3)</sup>	Emission factor <sup>(4)</sup>	Key source <sup>(1)</sup>	Method applied <sup>(2)</sup>	Activity data <sup>(3)</sup>	Emission factor <sup>(4)</sup>
Biomass		T2	NS, PS	CS		T2	NS, PS	CR,D		T2	NS, PS	CR,D
Solid fuels		NO	NO	NO		NO	NO	NO		NO	NO	NO
e. Food Processing, Beverages and Tobacco												
Liquid fuels		T2	NS, PS	CS		T2	NS, PS	CR,D		T2	NS, PS	CR,D
Solid fuels		T2	NS, PS	CS		T2	NS, PS	CR,D		T2	NS, PS	CR,D
Gaseous fuels		T2	NS, PS	CS		T2	NS, PS	CR,D		T2	NS, PS	CR,D
Biomass		T2	NS, PS	CS		T2	NS, PS	CR,D		T2	NS, PS	CR,D
f. Non-metallic Minerals												
Liquid fuels		T2	NS, PS	CS		T2	NS, PS	CR, D		T2	NS, PS	CR, D
Solid fuels		T2	NS, PS	CS		T2	NS, PS	CR, D		T2	NS, PS	CR, D
Gaseous fuels		T2	NS, PS	CS		T2	NS, PS	CR, D		T2	NS, PS	CR, D
Biomass		T2	NS, PS	CS		T2	NS, PS	CR, D		T2	NS, PS	CR, D
Other fossil fuels		T2	NS, PS	CS		T2	NS, PS	CR, D		T2	NS, PS	CR, D
g. Other												
Liquid fuels		T2	NS, PS	CS		T2	NS, PS	CR, D		T2	NS, PS	CR, D
Solid fuels		T2	NS, PS	CS		T2	NS, PS	CR, D		T2	NS, PS	CR, D
Gaseous fuels		T2	NS, PS	CS		T2	NS, PS	CR, D		T2	NS, PS	CR, D
Other fossil fuels		NO	NO	NO		NO	NO	NO		NO	NO	NO
<b>1.A.3 Transport</b>												
a. Domestic Aviation	Yes				No				No			
Aviation Gasoline		T1,T2	NS	CS		T1,T2	NS	CR		T1,T2	NS	CR
Jet Kerosene		T1,T2	NS	CS		T1,T2	NS	CR		T1,T2	NS	CR
b. Road Transportation	Yes				Yes				No			
Gasoline		T2	NS, AS	CS		T3	NS, AS	M		T3	NS, AS	M
Diesel Oil		T2	NS, AS	CS		T3	NS, AS	M		T3	NS, AS	M
Liquefied Petroleum Gases (LPG)		T2	NS, AS	CS		T3	NS, AS	M		T3	NS, AS	M
Other liquid fuels		T1	M	D								
Gaseous fuels		T2	NS, AS	CS		T3	NS, AS	M		T3	NS, AS	M
Biomass		T2	NS, AS	CS		T3	NS, AS	M		T3	NS, AS	M

GREENHOUSE GAS SOURCE AND SINK CATEGORIES	CO <sub>2</sub>				CH <sub>4</sub>				N <sub>2</sub> O			
	Key source <sup>(1)</sup>	Method applied <sup>(2)</sup>	Activity data <sup>(3)</sup>	Emission factor <sup>(4)</sup>	Key source <sup>(1)</sup>	Method applied <sup>(2)</sup>	Activity data <sup>(3)</sup>	Emission factor <sup>(4)</sup>	Key source <sup>(1)</sup>	Method applied <sup>(2)</sup>	Activity data <sup>(3)</sup>	Emission factor <sup>(4)</sup>
c. Railways	No				No				No			
Liquid fuels		T2	NS	CS		T1	NS	CR		T1	NS	CR
d. Navigation	Yes				No				No			
Residual Fuel Oil		T1,T2	NS	CS		T1,T2	NS	CR		T1,T2	NS	CR
Gas/Diesel Oil		T1,T2	NS	CS		T1,T2	NS	CR		T1,T2	NS	CR
Gasoline		T1,T2	NS	CS		T1,T2	NS	CR		T1,T2	NS	CR
e. Other Transportation												
Gaseous fuels	No	T2	NS	CS	No	T1	NS	CR	No	T1	NS	CR
<b>1.A.4 Other Sectors</b>												
a. Commercial/Institutional												
Liquid fuels	Yes	T2	NS	CS	No	T2	NS	CR	No	T2	NS	CR
Solid fuels	No	NO	NO	NO	No	NO	NO	NO	No	NO	NO	NO
Gaseous fuels	Yes	T2	NS	CS	No	T2	NS	CR	No	T2	NS	CR
Other fossil fuels	Yes	T2	NS	CS	No	T2	NS	CR	No	T2	NS	CR
Biomass	No	T2	NS	CS	Yes	T2	NS	CR	Yes	T2	NS	CR
b. Residential												
Liquid fuels	Yes	T2	NS	CS	No	T2	NS	CR	No	T2	NS	CR
Solid fuels	Yes	T2	NS	CS	No	T2	NS	CR	No	T2	NS	CR
Gaseous fuels	Yes	T2	NS	CS	No	T2	NS	CR	No	T2	NS	CR
Biomass	No	T2	NS	CS	Yes	T2	NS	CR	Yes	T2	NS	CR
c. Agriculture/Forestry/Fishing												
Liquid fuels	Yes	T2	NS	CS	No	T2	NS	CR	Yes	T2	NS	CR
Gaseous fuels	Yes	T2	NS	CS	No	T2	NS	CR	No	T2	NS	CR
Biomass	No	T2	NS	CS	Yes	T2	NS	CR	Yes	T2	NS	CR
Solid fuels	Yes	T2	NS	CS	No	T2	NS	CR	No	T2	NS	CR
<b>1.A.5 Other</b>												
b. Mobile												
Liquid fuels	No	T2	NS	CS	No	T2	NS	CR	No	T2	NS	CR
Solid fuels	No	NO	NO	NO	No	NO	NO	NO	No	NO	NO	NO

GREENHOUSE GAS SOURCE AND SINK CATEGORIES	CO <sub>2</sub>				CH <sub>4</sub>				N <sub>2</sub> O			
	Key source <sup>(1)</sup>	Method applied <sup>(2)</sup>	Activity data <sup>(3)</sup>	Emission factor <sup>(4)</sup>	Key source <sup>(1)</sup>	Method applied <sup>(2)</sup>	Activity data <sup>(3)</sup>	Emission factor <sup>(4)</sup>	Key source <sup>(1)</sup>	Method applied <sup>(2)</sup>	Activity data <sup>(3)</sup>	Emission factor <sup>(4)</sup>
<b>1.B Fugitive Emissions from Fuels</b>												
1. Solid Fuels												
a. Coal Mining and Handling: Operation	No	T1	NS	OTH	No	T1,T2	NS	D				
b. Solid Fuel Transformation					No	T1	NS	CR				
2 Oil and Natural Gas and Other Emissions from Energy Production												
a. Oil: Operation	Yes	T1,T2	NS	CS,D	No	T1,T2	NS	CS,D				
b. Natural Gas: Operation	No	T1,T2	NS	CS,D	Yes	T1,T2	NS	CS,D				
c. Venting and Flaring: Operation	No	T1	NS	D	No	T2	NS	CS	No	T1	NS	D
d. Other Emissions from Energy Production: Flaring in refineries	No	T2	NS	CS	No	T1	NS	CR	No	T1	NS	D

**Table I -2: Summary report for methods, activity data and emission factors used (Industrial processes and product use)**

GREENHOUSE GAS SOURCE AND SINK CATEGORIES	CO <sub>2</sub>				CH <sub>4</sub>				N <sub>2</sub> O				HFCs				PFCs				SF <sub>6</sub>				NF <sub>3</sub>			
	Key source (1)	Method applied (2)	Activity data (3)	Emission factor (4)	Key source (1)	Method applied (2)	Activity data (3)	Emission factor (4)	Key source (1)	Method applied (2)	Activity data (3)	Emission factor (4)	Key source (1)	Method applied (2)	Activity data (3)	Emission factor (4)	Key source (1)	Method applied (2)	Activity data (3)	Emission factor (4)	Key source (1)	Method applied (2)	Activity data (3)	Emission factor (4)	Key source (1)	Method applied (2)	Activity data (3)	Emission factor (4)
<b>2. Industrial Processes and Product Use</b>																												
<b>2.A Mineral Industry</b>																												
1. Cement production: no classification	Yes	T2	NS	CS, PS																								
2. Lime production: no classification	Yes	T2	NS	CS, PS																								
3. Glass production	No	T2	NS	CS, PS																								
4. Other process uses of carbonates: no classification	Yes	T2	NS	CS, PS																								
<b>2.B Chemical Industry</b>																												
1. Ammonia production: no classification	Yes	T2	PS	PS																								
2. Nitric acid production: no classification									Yes	T2	PS	D, PS																
3. Adipic acid production	Yes	T3	PS	PS					Yes	T3	PS	D, PS																
4. Caprolactam, glyoxal and glyoxylic acid production									No	T2	PS	CS																
5. Carbide production	No	D	PS	CR																								
6. Titanium dioxide production	No	T2	PS	PS																								
7. Soda ash production	No	T2	PS	PS																								
8. Petrochemical and carbon black production	No	T2	PS	CR, PS	No	D, T1	NS, PS	CR, CS, D																				
9. Fluorochemical production													Yes	CS	PS	PS	Yes	CS	PS	PS								
10. Other chemical industry: no classification	No	NA	NA	NA	No	NA	NA	NA	No	NA	NA	NA	No	NA	NA	NA	No	NA	NA	NA	No	NA	NA	NA	No	NA	NA	NA
<b>2.C Metal Industry</b>																												
1. Iron and steel production: no classification	Yes	T2	NS, PS	CR, CS, PS	No	D	NS	CS, D																				
2. Ferroalloys production	No	T1	NS, PS	D																								

GREENHOUSE GAS SOURCE AND SINK CATEGORIES	CO <sub>2</sub>				CH <sub>4</sub>				N <sub>2</sub> O				HFCs				PFCs				SF <sub>6</sub>				NF <sub>3</sub>					
	Key source (1)	Method applied (2)	Activity data (3)	Emission factor (4)	Key source (1)	Method applied (2)	Activity data (3)	Emission factor (4)	Key source (1)	Method applied (2)	Activity data (3)	Emission factor (4)	Key source (1)	Method applied (2)	Activity data (3)	Emission factor (4)	Key source (1)	Method applied (2)	Activity data (3)	Emission factor (4)	Key source (1)	Method applied (2)	Activity data (3)	Emission factor (4)	Key source (1)	Method applied (2)	Activity data (3)	Emission factor (4)		
3. Aluminium production: no classification	No	T1,T2	NS, PS	D,PS												Yes	T1, T2	NS, PS	D, PS											
4. Magnesium production													No	T2	PS	PS					No	T2	PS	PS						
5. Lead production																														
6. Zinc production	No	T2	PS	CS																										
<b>2.D Non-energy Products from Fuels and Solvent Use</b>	Yes																													
1. Lubricant use		T1	NS	D																										
2. Paraffin wax use		T1	NS	D																										
3. Other: no classification		CR, CS, T2	NS, AS	CR, CS, M,PS																										
<b>2.E. Electronics industry</b>																														
1. Integrated circuit or semiconductor													No	T2	PS	CS	No	T2	PS	CS	No	T2	PS	CS	No	T2	PS	CS		
2. TFT flat panel display																														
3. Photovoltaics																														
4. Heat transfer fluid													No	CS	PS	PS	No	CS	PS	PS	No	NA	NA	NA	No	NA	NA	NA		
<b>2.F. Product uses as substitutes for ODS</b>																														
1. Refrigeration and air conditioning: no classification													Yes	T2	AS, NS	CS,D, PS														
2. Foam blowing agents: no classification													Yes	T2	AS, NS	D														
3. Fire protection													Yes	T2	AS, NS	CS														
4. Aerosols: no classification													No	T2	AS, NS	CS														
5. Solvents													No	NA	NA	NA														
<b>2.G. Other product manufacture and use</b>																														
1. Electrical equipment																					No	T2	AS NS	CS						

GREENHOUSE GAS SOURCE AND SINK CATEGORIES	CO <sub>2</sub>				CH <sub>4</sub>				N <sub>2</sub> O				HFCs				PFCs				SF <sub>6</sub>				NF <sub>3</sub>			
	Key source <sup>(1)</sup>	Method applied <sup>(2)</sup>	Activity data <sup>(3)</sup>	Emission factor <sup>(4)</sup>	Key source <sup>(1)</sup>	Method applied <sup>(2)</sup>	Activity data <sup>(3)</sup>	Emission factor <sup>(4)</sup>	Key source <sup>(1)</sup>	Method applied <sup>(2)</sup>	Activity data <sup>(3)</sup>	Emission factor <sup>(4)</sup>	Key source <sup>(1)</sup>	Method applied <sup>(2)</sup>	Activity data <sup>(3)</sup>	Emission factor <sup>(4)</sup>	Key source <sup>(1)</sup>	Method applied <sup>(2)</sup>	Activity data <sup>(3)</sup>	Emission factor <sup>(4)</sup>	Key source <sup>(1)</sup>	Method applied <sup>(2)</sup>	Activity data <sup>(3)</sup>	Emission factor <sup>(4)</sup>	Key source <sup>(1)</sup>	Method applied <sup>(2)</sup>	Activity data <sup>(3)</sup>	Emission factor <sup>(4)</sup>
2. SF <sub>6</sub> and PFCs from other product use																	No	CS	PS	PS								
3. N <sub>2</sub> O from product uses								No	CS	AS, NS	CS																	

**Table I -3: Summary report for methods, activity data and emission factors used (Agriculture)**

GREENHOUSE GAS SOURCE AND SINK CATEGORIES	CO <sub>2</sub>				CH <sub>4</sub>				N <sub>2</sub> O			
	Key source <sup>(1)</sup>	Method applied <sup>(2)</sup>	Activity data <sup>(3)</sup>	Emission factor <sup>(4)</sup>	Key source <sup>(1)</sup>	Method applied <sup>(2)</sup>	Activity data <sup>(3)</sup>	Emission factor <sup>(4)</sup>	Key source <sup>(1)</sup>	Method applied <sup>(2)</sup>	Activity data <sup>(3)</sup>	Emission factor <sup>(4)</sup>
<b>3. Total agriculture</b>												
<b>3.A. Enteric fermentation</b>					Yes							
1. Cattle						T2	NS	CS				
Dairy Cattle						T2	NS	CS				
Non-Dairy Cattle						T2	NS	CS				
2. Sheep						T2	NS	CS				
3. Swine						T1	NS	D				
4. Other livestock						T1, T2	NS	D, CS				
<b>3.B. Manure Management</b>												
1-4. CH <sub>4</sub> Emissions					Yes	T1, T2	NS	D, CS				
1-4. N <sub>2</sub> O Emissions and NMVOC Emissions									Yes	T2	NS	D, CS
5. Indirect N <sub>2</sub> O Emissions									Yes	T2	NS	D, CS
<b>3.C. Rice Cultivation</b>												
1. Irrigated					Yes	T2	NS	CS				
<b>3.D. Agricultural soils</b>												
1. Direct N <sub>2</sub> O Emissions From Managed Soils									Yes	CS,T1	NS	D, CS
b. Indirect N <sub>2</sub> O Emissions From Managed Soils									Yes	T1	NS	D, CS
<b>3.F Field Burning of Agricultural Residues</b>												
1. Cereals					No	T1	NS	D, CS	No	T1	NS	D, CS
<b>3.G. Liming</b>												
1. Limestone CaCO <sub>3</sub>	No	T1	NS	D								
<b>3.H. Urea application</b>	No	T1	NS	D								

**Table I -4: Summary report for methods, activity data and emission factors used (Land use, land-use change and forestry)**

GREENHOUSE GAS SOURCE AND SINK CATEGORIES	CO <sub>2</sub>				CH <sub>4</sub>				N <sub>2</sub> O			
	Key source <sup>(1)</sup>	Method applied <sup>(2)</sup>	Activity data <sup>(3)</sup>	Emission factor <sup>(4)</sup>	Key source <sup>(1)</sup>	Method applied <sup>(2)</sup>	Activity data <sup>(3)</sup>	Emission factor <sup>(4)</sup>	Key source <sup>(1)</sup>	Method applied <sup>(2)</sup>	Activity data <sup>(3)</sup>	Emission factor <sup>(4)</sup>
<b>4. Total LULUCF</b>												
<b>4.A. Forest land</b>												
1. Forest land remaining forest land	Yes	T2, T3	NS	CS,D	No	T2	NS	CS,D	No	T2	NS	CS,D
2. Land converted to forest land	Yes	T1, T2	NS	CS,D	No	T2	NS	CS,D	No	T2	NS	CS,D
<b>4.B. Cropland</b>												
1. Cropland remaining cropland	Yes	T1, T2	NS	CS,D	No	T1	NS	D	No	T1	NS	D
2. Land converted to cropland	Yes	T1	NS	CS,D					No	T1	NS	D
<b>4.C. Grassland</b>												
1. Grassland remaining grassland	Yes	T1, T2, T3	NS	CS,D	Yes	T1	NS	CS	No	T1	NS	CS
2. Land converted to grassland	Yes	T1	NS	CS,D								
<b>4.D. Wetlands</b>												
1. Wetlands remaining wetlands												
2. Land converted to wetlands	No	T1	NS	D								
<b>4.E. Settlements</b>												
1. Settlements remaining settlements												
2. Land converted to settlements	Yes	T1	NS	D					Yes	T1	NS	D
<b>4.F. Other land</b>												
1. Other land remaining other land												
2. Land converted to other land												
<b>4.G. Harvested wood products</b>	No	T2	NS	CS								

**Table I -5: Summary report for methods, activity data and emission factors used (Waste)**

GREENHOUSE GAS SOURCE AND SINK CATEGORIES	CO <sub>2</sub>				CH <sub>4</sub>				N <sub>2</sub> O			
	Key source <sup>(1)</sup>	Method applied <sup>(2)</sup>	Activity data <sup>(3)</sup>	Emission factor <sup>(4)</sup>	Key source <sup>(1)</sup>	Method applied <sup>(2)</sup>	Activity data <sup>(3)</sup>	Emission factor <sup>(4)</sup>	Key source <sup>(1)</sup>	Method applied <sup>(2)</sup>	Activity data <sup>(3)</sup>	Emission factor <sup>(4)</sup>
<b>5.Total waste</b>												
<b>5.A Solid waste disposal</b>					Yes							
1. Managed waste disposal sites						T2	NS	CS				
2. Unmanaged waste disposal sites						T2	NS	CS				
<b>5.B Biological treatment of solid waste</b>					No				Yes			
1. Composting						D	NS	CS		D	NS	D
2. Anaerobic digestion at biogas facilities						D	NS	D				
<b>5.C Incineration and open burning of waste</b>	No				No				No			
1. Waste incineration		D	NS, PS	CS		D	NS, PS	CR		D	NS,PS	CR
2. Open burning of waste		T1	NS	CS,D		T1	NS	CS,D		T1	NS	CS,D
<b>5.D Wastewater treatment and discharge</b>					Yes				Yes			
1. Domestic wastewater						T1	NS	D		T1	NS	D
2. Industrial wastewater						T1	NS	D		T1	NS	CR

**Legend for tables I -1 to I -5**

<sup>(1)</sup> Key categories of the Italian inventory.		
<sup>(2)</sup> Method applied:		
<b>D</b> (IPCC default)	<b>T1a, T1b, T1c</b> (IPCC Tier 1a, Tier 1b and Tier 1c, respectively)	<b>CR</b> (CORINAIR)
<b>RA</b> (Reference Approach)	<b>T2</b> (IPCC Tier 2)	<b>CS</b> (Country Specific)
<b>T1</b> (IPCC Tier 1)	<b>T3</b> (IPCC Tier 3)	<b>OTH</b> (Other)
<sup>(3)</sup> Activity data used		
<b>NS</b> (national statistics)	<b>IS</b> (International statistics)	<b>AS</b> (associations, business organizations)
<b>RS</b> (regional statistics)	<b>PS</b> (Plant Specific data)	<b>Q</b> (specific questionnaires, surveys)
<sup>(4)</sup> Emission factor used:		
<b>D</b> (IPCC default)	<b>CS</b> (Country Specific)	<b>OTH</b> (Other)

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<b>CR</b> (CORINAIR)	<b>PS</b> (Plant Specific)	<b>M</b> (Model)
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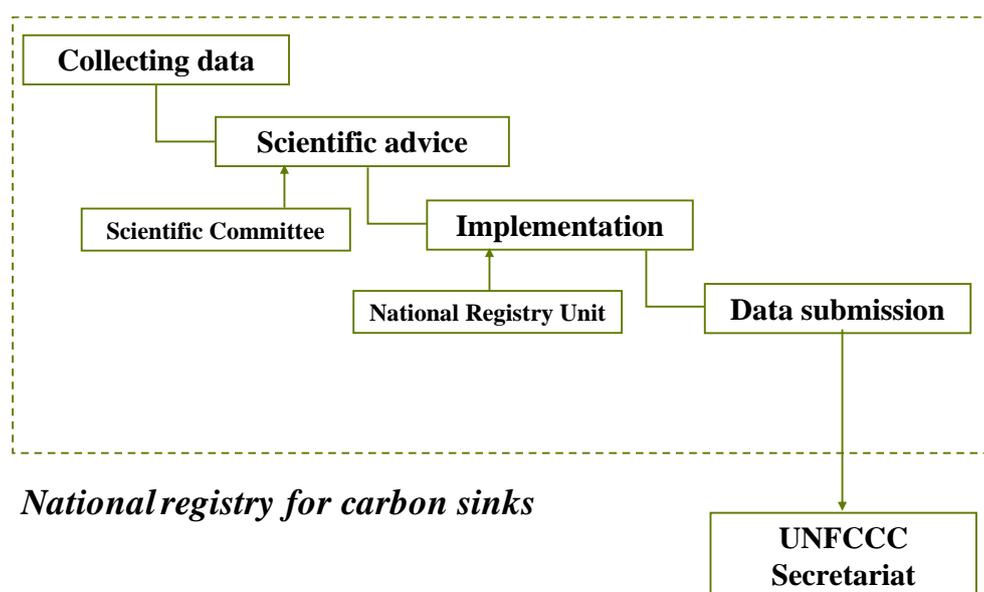
## ANNEX 10: THE NATIONAL REGISTRY FOR CARBON SINKS

The “National Registry for carbon sinks”<sup>76</sup>, instituted by a Ministerial Decree on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2008, is part of National Greenhouse Gas Inventory System in Italy (ISPRA, 2018); is part of the Italian National System; it is the instrument to estimate, following the COP/MOP decisions and in accordance with the IPCC guidelines, the greenhouse gases emissions by sources and removals by sinks in the land subject to art. 3.3 and art. 3.4 activities of the Kyoto Protocol and to account for their net removals in order to allow the Italian Registry to issue the corresponding amount of RMUs.

Italy has elected cropland management (CM) and grazing land management (GM) as additional activities under Article 3.4. Following the Decision 2/CMP.7, in the second commitment period forest management (FM) is a mandatory activity under Article 3.4.

Italy considers the entire national territory as managed, i.e. subject to human activities, consequently the entire national forest area is subject to human activities that, by-law, are aimed at sustainably manage the forest.

The forest management reference level (FMRL<sup>77</sup>) for Italy, inscribed in the appendix to the annex to decision 2/CMP.7, is equal to  $-21.182 \text{ Mt CO}_2 \text{ eq.}$  per year assuming instantaneous oxidation of HWP, and  $-22.166 \text{ Mt CO}_2 \text{ eq}$  applying a first-order decay function for HWP. Italy selected to account for Article 3.3 and 3.4 activities at the end of the commitment period.



The forest definition adopted by Italy for the KP reporting is the same used for the Convention reporting and for the Italian national forest inventories and it corresponds to the definitions of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations for its Global Forest Resource assessment (FAO FRA 2000). Thresholds are consistent with those of the forest definition given in Decision 16/CMP.1.

Thus, Forest is a land with the following threshold values for tree crown cover, land area and tree height:

- a. a minimum area of land of 0.5 hectares;
- b. tree crown cover of 10 per cent;
- c. minimum tree height of 5 meters.

<sup>76</sup> The legal basis is in the

<sup>77</sup> Submission of information on forest management reference levels by Italy:

[http://unfccc.int/files/meetings/ad\\_hoc\\_working\\_groups/kp/application/pdf/awgkp\\_italy\\_2011.pdf](http://unfccc.int/files/meetings/ad_hoc_working_groups/kp/application/pdf/awgkp_italy_2011.pdf)

Communication of 11 May 2011 regarding harvested wood products value by Italy:

[http://unfccc.int/files/meetings/ad\\_hoc\\_working\\_groups/kp/application/pdf/awgkp\\_italy\\_corr.pdf](http://unfccc.int/files/meetings/ad_hoc_working_groups/kp/application/pdf/awgkp_italy_corr.pdf)

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Forest roads, cleared tracts, firebreaks and other open areas within the forest as well as protected forest areas are included in forest.

Italy considers the entire national territory as managed, i.e. subject to human activities, consequently the entire national forest area is subject to human activities that, by-law, are aimed at sustainably manage the forest.

The key elements of the accounting system in the National Registry for carbon sinks are:

**a. National Land-Use Inventory (IUTI)**

aimed at identifying and quantifying:

- lands subject to art. 3.3 and art. 3.4 activities since 31 December 1989, according to their land use and land use changes across time (from 1990 onward);

**b. National Inventory of Carbon Stocks (ISCI)**

aimed at quantifying:

- carbon stocks and carbon stock changes in each land-use category, from 1990 onward.

**c. National Census of Forest Fires (CIFI)**

aimed at identifying and quantifying:

- areas affected by fires, from 1990 onward.

**d. National Inventory of non-CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from forest fires (IEIF)**

aimed at quantifying:

- non-CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from areas affected by fires, from 1990 onward.

**e. Cropland and Grazing land Management**

aimed at quantifying:

- a. Area subject to various management practices under CM and GM
- b. GHG emissions and removals from areas under CM and GM.

**a. National Land-Use Inventory (IUTI)**

The National Land-Use Inventory (IUTI) is aimed at identifying the land uses and land-use changes over the national territory based on a survey of sample points throughout Italian national territory considered as a population of adimensional points. By using on-screen interpretation of digital orthophotos, land use is classified with a high degree of accuracy and precision. The following set of multi-temporal orthophotos was used as basis of photo-interpretation process:

- 1990, the black and white high resolution full national coverage aerial photography database of TerraItaly<sup>78</sup> was used to produce orthophotos in scale 1:75.000, spatial resolution of 1 m (the aerial photos, taken on 1988/89, have the same image acquisition standard adopted by USGS-National High-Altitude Program at that time: panchromatic film, 400 lines per millimetre);
- 2000, TerraItaly<sup>79</sup> 2000 dataset, digital colour aerial orthophotos with spatial resolution of 1 m;
- 2008, TerraItaly 2008 dataset, digital colour aerial orthophotos with spatial resolution of 0.5 m.
- 2012, AGEA<sup>80</sup> colour and infrared digital orthophotos with spatial resolution 0.5 m; years 2010-12.
- 2016, AGEA color and infrared digital orthophotos with spatial resolution 50 cm; years 2014-16.

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<sup>78</sup> [http://www.cgrit.it/prodotti/voli\\_italia.html](http://www.cgrit.it/prodotti/voli_italia.html)

<sup>79</sup> <http://www.terraitaly.it/>

<sup>80</sup> <http://www.agea.gov.it/portal/page/portal/AGEAPageGroup/HomeAGEA>

Furthermore, visual interpretation was supported by ancillary information from available thematic forest and land use maps at regional and sub-regional scales, and the freely available remote sensed data from Google Earth Engine (GEE).

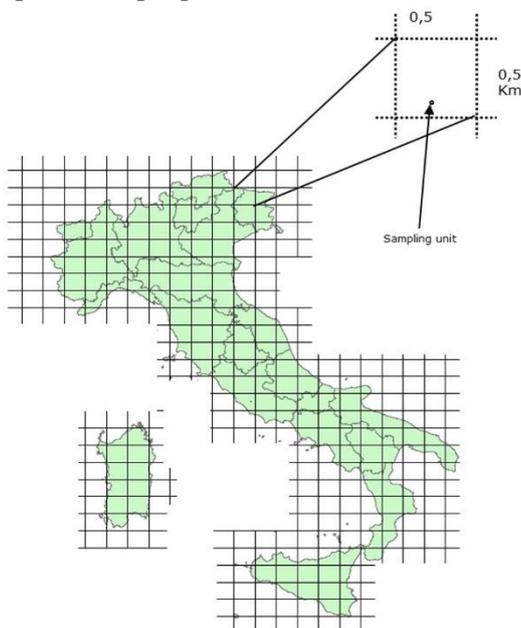
#### ***a.1 Time:***

IUTI adopts statistical sampling procedures to estimate the area covered by IPCC land use categories in Italy at four points in time (1990, 2008, 2012 and 2016). 1990, 2008 assessments were carried out using a sampling grid with 1,206,000 points. The 2012 land use assessment has been carried out in the framework of the III NFI, on a IUTI's subset of plots (i.e. 301,300 plots, covering the entire country). The 2016 IUTI assessment has been carried out using a 1% subsample within the whole national territory (about 13,000 sample points).

IUTI data are collected according to the 6 IPCC land use categories, although for forest land the data collected by the national forest inventories (1985, 2005, 2012) are used. From IUTI and NFI data consistent time-series of areas of each land-use and and-use change category are derived, as well as of each land subject to art. 3.3 and art. 3.4 of the Kyoto Protocol.

#### ***a.2 Space:***

The localization of sampling points is carried out according to a tessellation stratified sampling design (also known as unaligned systematic sampling). The sampling grid, and the relative sample plots (figure A10.1), is uniformly distributed throughout the entire Italian national territory, using a non-aligned systematic sampling. The set of sample points was extracted using a 0.5 km square grid, for a total of about 1,206,000 geo-referenced points randomly located in each square cell and fully covering the Italian territory. A subset of the IUTI sample is represented by the 301,300 first phase sample points of the national forest inventory (NFI).



**Figure A10.1: IUTI sampling grid**

For reducing the sampling efforts, the one-per-stratum stratified sampling (OPSS) has been adopted in 2016. The original 1,206,000 IUTI quadrats were aggregated into 13,000 clusters, in which 1 IUTI point were then selected and classified in 2016, following the one-per-stratum sampling strategy (OPSS). The results showed that while the initial sampling efforts were reduced by 100 times, the RSE estimates increased by approximately 10 times. In absolute terms, these results are then rather encouraging, because the largest LU classes show RSE estimates invariably smaller than 3%, while the smallest ones show RSE estimates always below 9%.

### Categories and subcategories:

Land use categories (Table A10.1) are defined according to IPCC requirements:

**Table A10.1: IUTI classification system**

IPCC Category Level I	IUTI Category Level II	Code
<b>1. Forest land</b>	<i>Woodland</i>	<b>1.1</b>
	<i>Wooded land temporarily unstocked</i>	<b>1.2</b>
<b>2. Cropland</b>	<i>Arable land and other herbaceous cultivations</i>	<b>2.1</b>
	<i>Arboreal cultivations (Fruit orchards and plant nurseries)</i>	<b>2.2</b>
		<b>2.2</b>
<b>3. Grassland</b>	<i>Grassland, pastures and uncultivated herbaceous areas</i>	<b>3.1</b>
	<i>Other wooded land</i>	<b>3.2</b>
<b>4. Wetlands</b>	<i>Marshlands and open waters</i>	<b>4</b>
<b>5. Settlements</b>	<i>Urban development</i>	<b>5</b>
<b>6. Other land</b>	<i>Non-productive areas or areas with scarce or absent vegetation</i>	<b>6</b>

Each plot is photo-interpreted in order to classify it into IUTI land use classes at different points in time (1990, 2008, and for 2012 in a subset only). In the plots where a land use change to or from forest is detected between 1990 and 2008, i.e. afforestation/reforestation/deforestation activities, the land use classification is performed also in an intermediate point in time (2000), in order to estimate, by interpolation, the annual gain/loss of forest area in different time periods (1990-2000 and 2000-2008).

#### **a.3 Quality assurance/Quality control:**

Data supplied by IUTI is collected in the “National Registry for the carbon sinks” of Kyoto Protocol, and fulfil quality needs, outlined in the IPCC guidelines and required by UNFCCC relevant decisions. The photointerpreters have been trained in order to ensure a standard photointerpretation approach. An internal expert panel was set to classify each plot for which the photointerpreter had not confidence in its judgement. The same panel has also carried out the quality control of a sub-sample of plots (5%) selected randomly. The control activities have produced the same classification as carried out by the photointerpreters in more than of 95% of the cases.

#### *Classification methodology*

The adopted classification methodology ensures that any unit of land can be classified univocally<sup>81</sup> under a category, by means of:

- a systematic sampling design to select plots;
- a list of definitions for each IPCC land-use category classification and each country-specific subdivision;
- a list of land-use indicators able to indicate the presence of a certain use on the land;
- a classification hierarchy among categories and subdivisions to facilitate land use classification (table A10.2)

The land use classification follows two steps. In the first step lands are subdivided between those fully anthropogenic (cropland, settlements, some intensively managed grassland and some other land), and those prevalently natural (forest, natural grassland, some other land). In the second step, the lands in the two aggregates, i.e. anthropogenic and prevalently natural, are classified according to land use categories and subdivisions.

**Table A10.2: Classification hierarchy**

<sup>81</sup> i.e. Exclusion of multiple equally valid classifications of the same unit of land (e.g. cropland vs forest land, forest land vs grassland), and exclusion of the null case (i.e. a unit of land that doesn't match any of the land use categories)

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**A. LAND WITH ITS ORIGINAL CHARACTERISTICS OF PHYSIOGNOMY AND VEGETATION SIGNIFICANTLY MODIFIED BY HUMAN ACTION, CULTIVATED, CLEARED OR SUBJECT TO URBANIZATION WORK, AND DOMINATED BY ANTHROPIC ARTEFACTS DUE TO RESIDENTIAL, INDUSTRIAL, SOCIO-CULTURAL AND AGRICULTURAL ACTIVITIES.**

**AI. Land occupied by other agricultural cultivations**

AI1. Herbaceous cultivations in open fields, subject to regular rotation, for the production of cereals, pulses, other food products or forage.

**ARABLE**

AI2. Arboreal cultivations not subject to regular rotation, destined permanently to the production of fruit or wood products.

AI2a. *Arboreal cultivations destined prevalently to the production of fruit for nutritional purposes (apple orchards, vineyards, olive groves, etc) or for the production of arboreal or shrub species for ornamental purposes*

**ORCHARDS and NURSERIES**

AI2b. *Arboreal cultivations destined prevalently to the production of wood products or of woody biomass for energy generation purposes*

**ARBOREAL CULTIVATIONS FOR WOOD PRODUCTS**

**AII. Areas with residential and industrial buildings and services, transport routes, infrastructures and urban green areas (parks and gardens)**

**SETTLEMENTS**

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**B. NATURAL OR SEMI-NATURAL LAND NOT SIGNIFICANTLY MODIFIED BY HUMAN ACTION OR IN PHASE OF RENATURALIZATION.**

**BI. Formations constituted by trees able to reach the height on maturity *in situ* of 5 m, but temporarily lacking in canopy cover following accidental events or anthropic action.**

**WOODED LAND TEMPORARILY WITHOUT ABOVE-GROUND COVER**

**BII. Formations constituted by trees able to reach the height on maturity *in situ* of 5 m and procuring a degree of canopy cover on the terrain of  $\geq 5\%$ .**

BII1. Formation with a degree of cover  $< 10\%$

**OTHER WOODED AREAS**

BII2. Formation with a degree of cover  $\geq 10\%$

**WOODLAND**

**BIII. Formations never as above**

BIII1. Formations constituted by shrubs or trees not able to reach a height on maturity *in situ* of 5 m, and procuring a degree of canopy cover on the terrain of  $\geq 10\%$

**OTHER WOODED LAND**

BIII2. Formations constituted by shrubs or trees not able to reach a height on maturity *in situ* of 5 m and procuring a degree of canopy cover on the terrain of  $< 10\%$ , and silvi-pastoral formations with canopy cover from trees able to reach a height on maturity *in situ* of 5 m but with cover  $< 5\%$

BIII2a. *Natural herbaceous formations of ground species with a degree of herbaceous cover of  $\geq 40\%$ .*

**PASTURES, MEADOWS and UNCULTIVATED HERBACEOUS AREAS**

BIII2b. *Natural herbaceous formations with a degree of herbaceous cover of  $< 40\%$  or land completely lacking herbaceous cover*

BIII2b1. *Land without vegetation or with sporadic herbaceous vegetation. Rocky outcrops and beaches.*

**OTHER LAND**

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**C. AREAS WITHOUT VEGETATION AND COVERED BY STILL OR FLOWING WATER OR AREAS OCCUPIED BY PARTICULAR ECOSYSTEMS OTHER THAN TERRESTRIAL ECOSYSTEMS (FLOATING VEGETATION, WET VEGETATION, SALTWATER VEGETATION, ETC).**

**MARSHLANDS AND OPEN WATERS**

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To achieve land use classification, a 0.5 ha neighbourhood of the sample plot is investigated. The operative procedure consists in digital orthophotos processing, considering plots: for each plot identified on the territory by coordinates in a known reference system, the land use category, defined according to the classification system, is established.

A grid, composed of 9 squares (3 x 3) of 2,500 m<sup>2</sup> each, for an overall surface area of 22,500 m<sup>2</sup> is superimposed to the plot. This graphic object, at the centre of which the center of the plot, i.e. the sampling point, is situated, allows to assess whether the area intercepted by the sampling point has an extension equal to or greater than the established threshold (equivalent to the surface area of 2 of the 9 cells displayed).

If the surface area value is very close to the threshold and the use of the cells still leaves doubts, a graphic tool for surface area measurement is used for the classification process. The contour of the polygon containing the sampling point is mapped, computing the extent of the area.

In figures A10.2, A10.3 and A10.4, examples from land use classification system are reported. In figure A10.1 the sampling point is classified as 3.1 grassland, given that trees covering the sampling point have a surface area between 500 and 5000 m<sup>2</sup>. In Figure A10.2, the sampling point is classified as 1.1 woodland, while in figure A10.3, the sampling point is classified as 3.1 grassland.

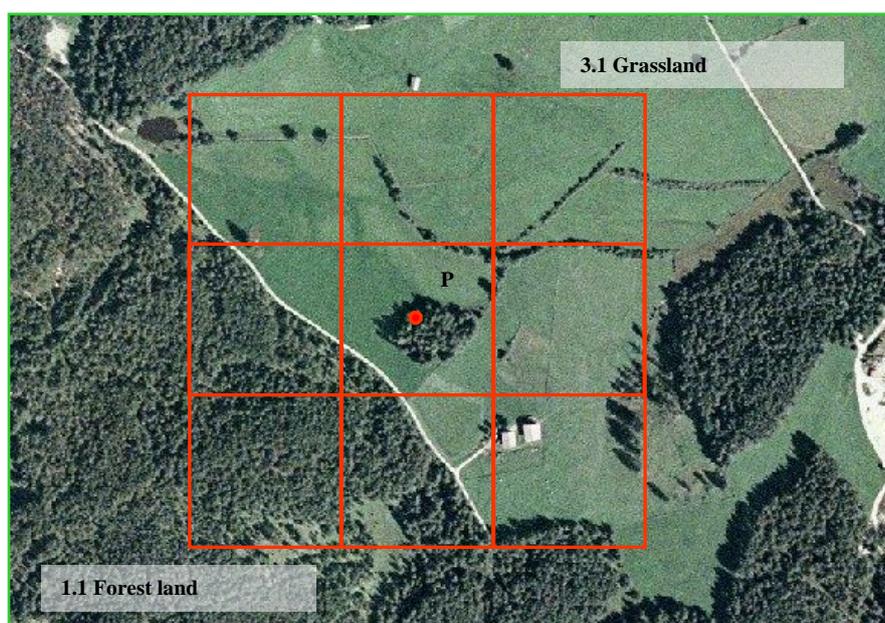


Figure A10.2: Land use classification system - grassland

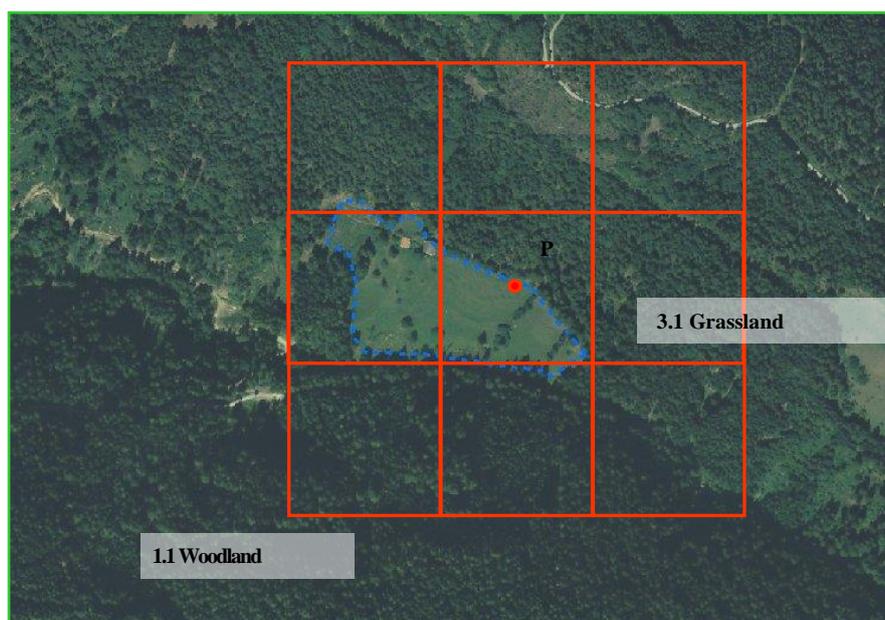
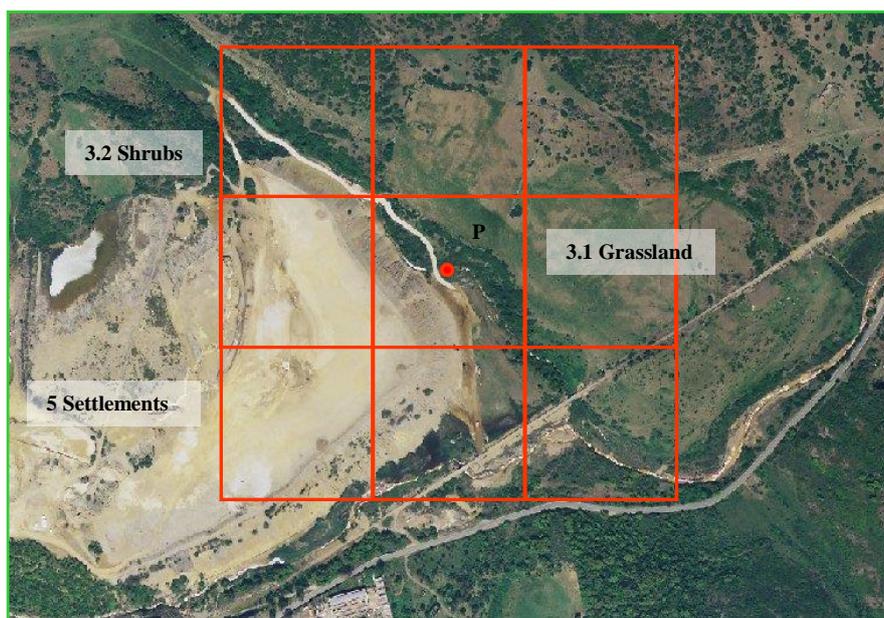


Figure A10.3: Land use classification system - Woodland



**Figure A10.4: Land use classification system – grassland**

#### **b. National Inventory of Carbon Stocks (ISCI)**

The National Inventory of the Carbon Stocks is a sampling of carbon stocks related to the different land-use categories.

The National Inventory of the Carbon Stocks includes:

- carbon stock changes in the land-use category forest land, the dataset is derived from the NFIs<sup>82</sup> data;
- carbon stock changes in the categories of conversion to or from forest land. For the land in conversion NFI data are integrated with studies and additional surveys to estimate, at regional level, the C stock levels related to non-forest land uses (i.e. *settlements, cropland, grassland, wetlands*).

##### ***b.1 Time:***

ISCI annually provides time series of carbon stock levels and carbon stock changes for the category forest land remaining forest land and for the land in conversion categories to and from forest land, as well as for the related KP LULUCF activities.

##### ***b.2 Space:***

ISCI cover the entire national territory at regional (NUTS2) level.

##### ***b.3 Quality assurance:***

Data supplied by ISCI is collected in the “*National Registry for the carbon sinks*” of Kyoto Protocol, and fulfil quality needs, outlined in the IPCC guidelines and required by UNFCCC relevant decisions.

#### **c. National Census of Fires (CIFI)**

The National Census of Fires is a system aimed to detect, locate and classify areas affected by fires; it provides data on burned forest land area and fires occurring in other land use categories.

<sup>82</sup> Italian National Forest Inventories: [http://www.sian.it/inventarioforestale/jsp/home\\_en.jsp](http://www.sian.it/inventarioforestale/jsp/home_en.jsp)

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The core of CIFI is the detailed database, provided by the “Carabinieri Forestali”<sup>83</sup>, collecting data related to any fire event occurred in 15 administrative Italian regions<sup>84</sup> (the 5 autonomous regions are not included), and reporting, for each fire event, the following information:

- *burned area [ha]*
- *forest typology (27 classes in line with the NFI nomenclature)*
- *scorch height [m]*
- *fire’s type (crown, surface or ground fire)*

Data and information related to fire occurrences in the 5 remaining autonomous regions are collected at regional level, with different level of disaggregation and details (for example, in Sardinia region, the amount of biomass burned is reported instead of the scorch height).

Therefore, the data used in the estimation process may be subdivided into the following groups with similar characteristics:

- a. time series from 2008 onward for the 15 Regions: burned area, per forest types, scorch height, fire type;
- b. time series from 2008 onward for the 5 autonomous regions/provinces: burned area;
- c. time series from 1990 to 2007 for the 20 Italian regions: burned area.

Statistics related to fires occurring in other land use categories (i.e. cropland, grassland and settlements) are collected in the framework of *ad hoc* expert panel on fires has been set up, formed by experts from different institutions from ISPRA, the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Forest Policies and “Carabinieri Forestali”, currently in charge for the official data collection on burned area.

#### ***c.1 Time:***

CIFI annually provides time series of forest areas affected by fires.

#### ***c.2 Space:***

CIFI covers the entire national territory at regional (NUTS2) level.

#### ***Key elements:***

The key elements are:

- ground surveys to record boundaries of burned areas and ancillary data as damage evaluation (percentage of oxidised biomass) and forest typology (following NFI classification);
- remote sensed data to integrate data from ground surveys, in order to cross-check burned areas;

#### ***c.3 Quality assurance:***

Data supplied by CIFI is collected in the “*National Registry for the carbon sinks*” of Kyoto Protocol, and fulfil quality needs, outlined in the IPCC guidelines and required by UNFCCC relevant decisions.

#### **d. National Inventory of non-CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from fires (IEIF)**

The fires GHG emissions National Inventory is aimed to estimate non-CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from forest fires (CO<sub>2</sub> emissions are not reported since already computed by the National Inventory Carbon Stocks as decreases in carbon stocks) and GHG emissions from fires in land subject to cropland management and grazing land management activities.

#### ***d.1 Time:***

The fires GHG emissions National Inventory annually provides time series of GHG emissions from fires.

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<sup>83</sup> <http://www.carabinieri.it/arma/oggi/organizzazione/organizzazione-per-la-tutela-forestale-ambientale-e-agroalimentare>

<sup>84</sup> The Italian territory is subdivided in 20 administrative regions, 5 of which are autonomous: Valle d’Aosta, Friuli Venezia Giulia, Sardegna, Sicilia and Trentino Alto Adige, the latest subdivided in two autonomous provinces (Trento and Bolzano).

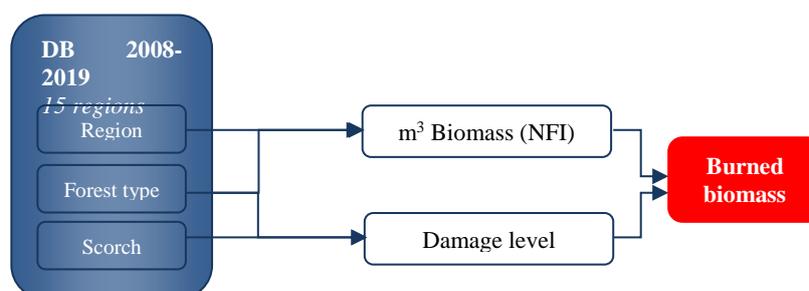
### d.2 Space:

IEIF supplies estimates of emissions associated with fires detected by National Census of Fires.

#### Key elements:

On the basis of the different datasets available, in each year and group of regions, different approaches and assumptions have been followed to estimate non-CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from forest fires.

- a. The estimation of non-CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from fires in the 15 regions is based on two main elements: the fire intensity (assessed through the scorch height) and the forest typologies. A large database has been used for fires occurred in forest and other wooded land for the period 2008-2018.



In case of missing data, record by record, a gap filling procedure has been adopted, as described in the Annex 15; the estimation process for the GHG fires emissions for the 5 autonomous regions/provinces is also reported in the Annex 15.

### d.3 Quality assurance:

Data supplied by IEIF is collected in the “National Registry for the carbon sinks” of Kyoto Protocol, and fulfill quality needs, outlined in the IPCC guidelines and required by UNFCCC relevant decisions.

### e. Cropland and grazing land management

These sections of the national registry for carbon sinks have been added following the decision by Italy to elect cropland management (CM) and grazing land management (GM) under Article 3.4 of the Kyoto Protocol for the second commitment period (2013-2020). The Ministry for the Environment, Land and Sea (MATTM) jointly with the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Forest Policies (MIPAAF) has established a Committee of National experts at institutional and scientific level, aimed at dealing with all issues related to reporting and coordination of activities related to LULUCF reporting, included also the needs set out by the Kyoto Protocol; a focus will be applied to verification activities carried out in the framework of the implementation of EU Decision n. 529/2013<sup>85</sup>.

#### e.1 Cropland management

This section of the *national registry for carbon sinks* is aimed at collecting information and preparing estimates of GHG emissions and removals from cropland management activity.

Land subject to cropland management have been assessed have been assessed on the basis of the definition included in the Annex to the decision 16/CMP.1<sup>86</sup> and disaggregated in the following subdivisions:

<sup>85</sup> Decision n. 529/2013/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 21 May 2013 on accounting rules on greenhouse gas emissions and removals resulting from activities relating to land use, land-use change and forestry and on information concerning actions relating to those activities: <http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX%3A32013D0529>

<sup>86</sup> *Grazing land management* is the system of practices on land used for livestock production aimed at manipulating the amount and type of vegetation and livestock produced.

1. any crops subject to inspections and certifications, in accordance with the EU Regulations on **organic production**<sup>87</sup>;
2. annual crops cultivated using “**conservative practices**”, including management practices aimed at preserving the soil<sup>88</sup> (e.g.: tillage practices to prevent/reduce soil erosion; cover crop; minimum tillage, zero tillage and sod seeding, mulching);
3. any crops grown using “**sustainable management systems**<sup>89</sup>”. These practices are intended to improve the efficiency of nutrients by reducing the losses due to leaching, runoff and evaporation; maintain the soil in good structural conditions; prevent erosion and landslides, preserve the soil organic matter and possibly enhance it.
4. Iset-aside<sup>90</sup> requiring cover crops, spontaneous or sown, all the year long and agronomic practices consisting of mowing or another equivalent operation in order to preserve the normal soil fertility, avoid fires, especially during drought conditions, and avoid pests spread.
5. any crops grown using “**ordinary agriculture**”. Land which doesn’t fall within one of the above kinds of management.
6. Any crops subject to **greening practices**, in accordance with the EU Regulation 1307/2013.

With regard to area data sources:

- a. Data for cropland under **organic practices** are derived from the National System on Organic Farming (SINAB, <http://www.sinab.it/>) of the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Forest Policies (MIPAAF). Data from SINAB are collected at national level starting from 1990.
- b. Data for cropland under “**conservative practices**” are derived from the Implementation Report Tables<sup>91</sup> (AIRs) of the regional Rural Development Programmes (RDPs). Data have been collected at regional level (NUTS2), from 2008, and have been standardized taking into account the different definitions adopted for these practices at NUTS level.
- c. Data for cropland under “**sustainable management systems**” are derived from the AIRs of the regional RDPs<sup>92</sup> and the Annual Report of the Operative Programmes on fruit and vegetables in the framework of the CMO<sup>93</sup>. Data are collected at regional level (NUTS2), from 2000, for the total aggregate cropland, consequently the disaggregation between annual and woody cropland is done applying the indicators contained in the national database<sup>94</sup>. Verification activities have been carried out through information collected by the Regions with largest share of areas under these management systems.
- d. Data for cropland set aside are derived from Eurostat<sup>95</sup> and are available for 1990, 1993, 1995, 1997, 2000, 2003, 2005 and 2007. Data for the missing years have been estimated by interpolation.

<sup>87</sup> Council Regulation (EEC) No 2092/91: <http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=CELEX:31991R2092:EN:HTML>, Commission Regulation (EC) n. 889/2008: <http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:32008R0889&from=EN>; Council Regulation (EC) n. 834/2007: <http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/HTML/?uri=URISERV:f86000&from=IT>; Council Regulation (EEC) n. 2092/91: <http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=CELEX:31991R2092:EN:HTML>; Rural Development Regulations – organic farming measure (Regulations (ex) 2078/1992, (ex) 1257/1999, (ex) 1698/2005 and 1305/2013)

<sup>88</sup> in accordance with the Regulation (EEC) n. 2078/92: [http://ec.europa.eu/agriculture/envir/programs/evalrep/text\\_en.pdf](http://ec.europa.eu/agriculture/envir/programs/evalrep/text_en.pdf), (ex) 1257/1999, Council Regulation (EC) n. 1698/2005: <http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:32005R1698&from=en>, and Regulation (EU) n. 1305/2013: <http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:L:2013:347:0487:0548:EN:PDF>

<sup>89</sup> in accordance with the national guidelines on integrated production and with the EU Regulations on the Rural Development (Regulations (ex) 2078/1992, (ex) 1257/1999, (ex) 1698/2005 and 1305/2013)

<sup>90</sup> EU Regulations ((ex) 1094/88; (ex) 1765/92 e 1251/99; (ex) 1782/03 and 1307/2013) and National decree on cross compliance implementation (ex) DM 22.12.2009 and DM 23.1.2015

<sup>91</sup> [http://ec.europa.eu/agriculture/cap-indicators/output/working-document-rd-monitoring-implementation-report-tables\\_en.pdf](http://ec.europa.eu/agriculture/cap-indicators/output/working-document-rd-monitoring-implementation-report-tables_en.pdf) in the framework of the EU’s rural development policy: [http://ec.europa.eu/agriculture/rural-development-2014-2020/index\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/agriculture/rural-development-2014-2020/index_en.htm); for 2007-2014 referred to action 214.6)

<sup>92</sup> for 2007-2014 referred to action 214.1 – tables O.214(1) and O.AGRI.ENV

<sup>93</sup> Common Organisation of the Markets (CMO) in agricultural products

[http://www.europarl.europa.eu/atyourservice/en/displayFtu.html?ftuId=FTU\\_5.2.4.html](http://www.europarl.europa.eu/atyourservice/en/displayFtu.html?ftuId=FTU_5.2.4.html)

<sup>94</sup> Indicatori Agricoli Territoriali”, National Rural Network: <http://indicitorrorialiagricoli.ismea.it>

<sup>95</sup> Fallow land and set-aside land: <https://open-data.europa.eu/it/data/dataset/aLDul3sogcS8Hur7m4HWg>

e. Data for cropland using “**ordinary agriculture**” are obtained by difference between the total area detected by national statistics (ISTAT) and the data related to the abovementioned subcategories.

CM activities	management practices	definition	CAP regulations	Data source
<b>CM - annual crops</b>	Arable land (Ordinary)	A kind of agriculture that doesn't evidence any kind of soil carbon stock technical maintenance		ISTAT
	Organic arable land	Management of waste crop; Organic manure; Extended crop rotation; Selection of better crop varieties; Cover crops	Reg. (EEC) n. 2078/92, Reg. (EC) n. 834/2007 and Reg. (EC) n. 889/2008, RDPs 2000-2006: Reg. (EC) n. 1257/99, RDPs 2007-2013: Reg. (EC) n. 1698/2005 and Reg. (EC) n. 74/2009	National Information system on organic agriculture (SINAB)
	Sustainable arable land	Crop rotation; Grassing; Specific erosion prevention; Cover crops; Minimum tillage	National decree on sustainable agriculture n. 2722/2008; RDPs 2000-2006: Reg. (EC) n. 1257/99; RDPs 2007-2013: Reg. (EC) n. 1698/2005 and Reg. (EC) n. 74/2009	Annual Implementation Reports (RAE) and Annual Report on Operational Programs: 2000-2018
	Set aside	Natural grassing; At least one mowing	Reg. (EEC) N. 1765/1992; National decree on cross compliance implementation n. 30125/2009 and subsequent revisions	Eurostat: 1990-2016
	Conservative practices	Zero tillage; Organic manure; Grassing; Cover crops; Minimum tillage; Crop rotation	RDPs 2007-2013: Reg. (EC) n. 1698/2005 and Reg. (EC) n. 74/2009	Annual Implementation Reports (RAE): 2008-2018
<b>CM – perennial crops</b>	woody crops (Ordinary)	A kind of agriculture that doesn't evidence any kind of soil carbon stock technical maintenance		ISTAT
	Organic perennial woody crops	Management of waste crop; Organic manure; Extended crop rotation; Selection of better crop varieties; Cover crops	Reg. (EEC) n. 2078/92, Reg. (EC) n. 834/2007 and Reg. (EC) n. 889/2008, RDPs 2000-2006: Reg. (EC) n. 1257/99, RDPs 2007-2013: Reg. (EC) n. 1698/2005 and Reg. (EC) n. 74/2009	National Information system on organic agriculture (SINAB)
	woody crops - Sustainable management	Crop rotation; Grassing; Specific erosion prevention; Cover crops; Minimum tillage	National decree on sustainable agriculture n. 2722/2008; RDPs 2000-2006: Reg. (EC) n. 1257/99; RDPs 2007-2013: Reg. (EC) n. 1698/2005 and Reg. (EC) n. 74/2009	Annual Implementation Reports (RAE) and Annual Report on Operational Programs: 2000-2018

### ***e.1.1 Time***

Annual data of land subject to cropland management and related estimates of emissions and removals are provided.

### ***e.1.2 Space***

The reporting area boundaries for cropland management have been identified with the administrative boundaries of Italy (NUTS1) and administrative regions (NUTS2). The spatial assessment for cropland management refers to the cadastral unit or to a part of it, where the cropland management is carried out.

### ***e.2 Grazing land management***

This section of the *national registry for carbon sinks* is aimed at collecting information and preparing estimates of GHG emissions and removals from grazing land management activity.

Land subject to *grazing land management* have been assessed on the basis of the definition included in the Annex to the decision 16/CMP.1<sup>96</sup>, and are those predominantly covered by herbaceous vegetation (introduced or indigenous) for a period longer than five years, used for grazing or fodder harvesting and /or under practices to control the amount and type of vegetation. As preliminary step, only the area related to the ‘improved grazing land’ has been reported within GM; this area corresponds to lands subject to inspections and certifications procedures, in accordance with the EU Regulations<sup>97</sup> on organic production, as well as by the Rural Development Regulations<sup>98</sup> on the organic farming measure. Data of grazing lands managed with organic practices are taken from the National System on Organic Farming (SINAB, <http://www.sinab.it/>) of the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Forest Policies (MIPAAF).

GM activities	management practices	definition	CAP regulations	Data source
	grazing land	Renewal and/or thickening of crops	National decree on cross compliance implementation n. 30125/2009 and subsequent revisions	ISTAT
GM	organic grazing land	Renewal and/or thickening of crops; Connection to zootecnics	RDPs 2000-2006: Reg. (EC) n. 1257/1999; RDPs 2007 - 2013: Reg. (EC) n. 1998/2005 and Reg. (EC) n. 74/2009; Reg. (EC) n. 834/2007 and Reg. (EC) n. 889/2008; Reg. (EC) n. 1804/2007	National Information system on organic agriculture (SINAB)

Carbon stock changes in land subject to *grazing land management* have been estimated on the basis of the guidance of 2013 KP Supplement (IPCC, 2014). Tier 1 method has been applied to biomass and DOM assuming that the abovementioned pools are at long-term equilibrium, so annual carbon stock changes have not been estimated. Annual changes in carbon stocks in mineral soils have been estimated applying the method described for grassland (see NIR sections 6.4.4, 9.5.3).

### e.2.1 Time

Annual data of land subject to grazing land management and related estimates of emissions and removals are provided.

### e.2.2 Space

The reporting area boundaries for grazing land management have been identified with the administrative boundaries of Italy (NUTS1) and administrative regions (NUTS2). The spatial assessment for grazing land management refers to the cadastral unit or to a part of it, where the grazing land management is carried out.

### e.3 Quality assurance

Data will be annually collected in the section related to cropland and grazing land management and have to fulfill quality requirements as stated by the IPCC and UNFCCC guidelines.

<sup>96</sup> *Grazing land management* is the system of practices on land used for livestock production aimed at manipulating the amount and type of vegetation and livestock produced.

<sup>97</sup> Commission Regulation (EC) n. 889/2008: <http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:32008R0889&from=EN>; Council Regulation (EC) n. 834/2007: <http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/HTML/?uri=URISERV:f86000&from=IT>; Council Regulation (EEC) n. 2092/91: <http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=CELEX:31991R2092:EN:HTML>

<sup>98</sup> Regulation (EEC) n. 2078/92: [http://ec.europa.eu/agriculture/envir/programs/evalrep/text\\_en.pdf](http://ec.europa.eu/agriculture/envir/programs/evalrep/text_en.pdf); Council Regulation (EC): n. 1257/1999 <http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:31999R1257&from=en>; Council Regulation (EC) n. 1698/2005: <http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:32005R1698&from=en>; Regulation (EU) n. 1305/2013: <http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:L:2013:347:0487:0548:EN:PDF>

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## ANNEX 11: THE NATIONAL REGISTRY

According to Article 7 of the Kyoto Protocol each Party included in Annex I shall incorporate in its annual greenhouse gas inventory the necessary supplementary information for the purposes of ensuring compliance with Article 3 of the Kyoto Protocol.

Supplementary information under article 7, paragraph 1, with regards to units holdings and transactions during the year 2020, is reported in the SEF submission (figures are also included in tables A8.2.2.1 - A8.2.2.5c of this document).

This annex reports supplementary information with regards to the national registry and in accordance with the guidelines set down in Decision 15 CMP.1 (Annex II.E Paragraph 32).

More detailed information can be found in the relevant annexes that have been submitted to UNFCCC along with this document.

### ***(a) The name and contact information of the registry administrator designated by the Party to maintain the national registry***

The Italian Registry is administrated by ISPRA (national Institute for Environmental Protection and Research) under the supervision of the national Competent Authority for the implementation of the European directive 2003/87/EC, jointly established by the Ministry for Environment, Land and Sea and the Ministry for Economic Development. ISPRA, as Registry Administrator, is responsible for the management and functioning of the Registry, including Kyoto protocol obligations.

The contact person is: Mr Riccardo Liburdi  
address: Via Vitaliano Brancati 48 – 00144 Rome – Italy  
telephone: +39 0650072544  
e-mail: [riccardo.liburdi@isprambiente.it](mailto:riccardo.liburdi@isprambiente.it)

No change of name or contact occurred during the reported period.

### ***(b) The names of the other Parties with which the Party cooperates by maintaining their national registries in a consolidated system***

Italy maintains its national registry in a consolidated manner with all the Parties that are also EU Member States and with the European Union, sharing the same platform hosted and facilitated by the European Commission.

No change of cooperation arrangement occurred during the reported period.

### ***(c) A description of the database structure and capacity of the national registry***

The complete description of the consolidated registry was provided in the common readiness documentation and specific readiness documentation for the national registry of EU and all consolidating national registries.

During certification, the consolidated registry was notably subject to connectivity testing, connectivity reliability testing, distinctness testing and interoperability testing to demonstrate capacity and conformance to the Data Exchange Standard (DES). All tests were executed successfully and lead to successful certification on 1 June 2012.

There has been a new EUCR release (version 11.5) after version 8.2.2 (the production version at the time of the last Chapter 14 submission).

Due to the new release, some changes were applied to the database. The updated database model is provided in Annex A. No change was required to the application backup plan or to the disaster recovery plan.

No change to the capacity of the national registry occurred during the reported period.

### ***(d) A description of how the national registry conforms to the technical standards for data exchange between registry systems for the purpose of ensuring the accurate, transparent and efficient exchange of data between national registries, the clean development mechanism registry and the transaction log (decision 19/CP.7, paragraph 1)***

The overall change to a Consolidated System of EU Registries triggered changes to the registry software and required new conformance testing. The complete description of the consolidated registry was provided in the common readiness documentation and specific readiness documentation for the national registry of EU and all consolidating national registries.

During certification, the consolidated registry was notably subject to connectivity testing, connectivity reliability testing, distinctness testing and interoperability testing to demonstrate capacity and conformance to the Data Exchange Standard (DES). All tests were executed successfully and lead to successful certification on 1 June 2012.

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The changes that have been introduced with version 11.5 compared with version 8.2.2 of the national registry are presented in Annex B.

It is to be noted that each release of the registry is subject to both regression testing and tests related to new functionality. These tests also include thorough testing against the DES and are carried out prior to the relevant major release of the version to Production (see Annex B).

No other change in the registry's conformance to the technical standards occurred for the reported period.

**(e) A description of the procedures employed in the national registry to minimize discrepancies in the issuance, transfer, acquisition, cancellation and retirement of ERUs, CERs, tCERs, lCERs, AAUs and/or RMUs, and replacement of tCERs and lCERs, and of the steps taken to terminate transactions where a discrepancy is notified and to correct problems in the event of a failure to terminate the transactions**

The overall change to a Consolidated System of EU Registries also triggered changes to discrepancies procedures, as reflected in the updated *manual intervention document* and the *operational plan*. The complete description of the consolidated registry was provided in the common readiness documentation and specific readiness documentation for the national registry of EU and all consolidating national registries.

No change of discrepancies procedures occurred during the reported period.

**(f) An overview of security measures employed in the national registry to prevent unauthorized manipulations and to prevent operator error and of how these measures are kept up to date**

The overall change to a Consolidated System of EU Registries also triggered changes to security, as reflected in the updated *security plan*. The complete description of the consolidated registry was provided in the common readiness documentation and specific readiness documentation for the national registry of EU and all consolidating national registries.

The use of soft tokens for authentication and signature was introduced for the registry end users as additional security measure during the reported period.

**(g) A list of the information publicly accessible by means of the user interface to the national registry**

Publicly available information is provided via the Union registry at the national homepage

<https://unionregistry.ec.europa.eu/euregistry/IT/public/reports/publicReports.xhtml>

All non-confidential information required by Decision 13/CMP.1 annex II.E paragraphs 44-48, is publicly accessible with the following exceptions:

- paragraph 45(d)(e): account number, representative identifier name and contact information is deemed as confidential according to Annex III and VIII (Table III-I and VIII-I) of Commission Regulation (EU) No 389/2013 (the regulation in force during 2020);
- paragraph 46: no Article 6 (Joint Implementation) project is reported as conversion to an ERU under an Article 6 project did not occur in the specified period;
- paragraph 47(a)(d)(f): holding and transaction information is provided on an account type level, due to more detailed information being declared confidential by article 110 of Commission Regulation (EU) No 389/2013 (the regulation in force during 2020).

No change to list of publicly available information occurred during the reported period.

**(h) The Internet address of the interface to its national registry**

The registry is available at <https://unionregistry.ec.europa.eu/euregistry/IT/index.xhtml> and the URL has not changed since last submission.

**(i) A description of measures taken to safeguard, maintain and recover data in order to ensure the integrity of data storage and the recovery of registry services in the event of a disaster**

The overall change to a Consolidated System of EU Registries also triggered changes to data integrity measures, as reflected in the updated *disaster recovery plan*. The complete description of the consolidated registry was provided in the common readiness documentation and specific readiness documentation for the national registry of EU and all consolidating national registries.

No change of data integrity measures occurred during the reported period.

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***(j) The results of any test procedures that might be available or developed with the aim of testing the performance, procedures and security measures of the national registry undertaken pursuant to the provisions of decision 19/CP.7 relating to the technical standards for data exchange between registry systems.***

The consolidated EU system of registries successfully completed a full certification procedure in June 2012. Notably, this procedure includes connectivity testing, connectivity reliability testing, distinctness testing and interoperability testing to demonstrate capacity and conformance to the Data Exchange Standard (DES). This included a full Annex H test. All tests were executed successfully and led to successful certification on 1 June 2012.

No change occurred during the reported period.

## ANNEX 12: OVERVIEW OF THE CURRENT SUBMISSION IMPROVEMENTS

### A12.1 Results of the UNFCCC review process

During the last UNFCCC review process, some issues were raised which have been taken into account to improve the current submission. Responses to the main recommendations, received in the draft review report, are described in the following table.

CRF category / issue	Review recommendation	Review report / paragraph	MS response / status of implementation	Chapter/section in the NIR
GENERAL Inventory planning Transparency	The ERT recommends that the Party include in the NIR the organizational chart of the authorities and institutes involved in inventory development process and explain the chart by highlighting the different approaches of the organizations that contribute to inventory development.	G.2	The actual information in the paragraph explain the structure for the inventory which is very simple because Ispra is responsible for all the different phases of the inventory preparation. Additional information has been added to better clarify the roles of the other actors.	Chapter 1 paragraph 3
GENERAL Key category analysis Transparency	The ERT recommends that the Party include the detailed key category analysis results for the base year using approach 1, including and excluding LULUCF, in Annex 1 in its next annual submission.	G.4	The results for the base year have been included in the NIR	Annex 1 of the NIR
GENERAL Key category analysis Transparency	The ERT recommends that the Party revise the tables' adherence to table 4.1 of the 2006 IPCC Guidelines, i.e. the headline of the tables should be arranged as: category code, category title, gas assessed, specific consideration, approach 1 (for the latest inventory year, both level and trend analysis should be presented), and approach 2 (for the latest inventory year, both level and trend analysis should be presented).	G.5	Summary tables in chapter1 contain all the relevant information; in the sector chapters and in the Annex the same information is repeated providing more details.	Chapter 1 paragraph 5 and Annex 1
GENERAL Uncertainty Transparency	The uncertainty analysis was carried out using both approach 1 (error propagation equations) and approach 2 (Monte Carlo analysis). However, the scope of the application of approach 2 is reported with limited transparency. For example, the categories and inventory years covered by the approach and the future plan are ambiguous in the NIR (see section 1.7, p.47), although additional information provided in annex 1 (pp.415–p.429) indicates that approach 2 was used for a range of categories (i.e. stationary combustion of solid, liquid and gaseous fuels, road transportation, cement production) and inventory years (i.e. 2005, 2009, 2012). Meanwhile, the hyperlink referring to an uncertainty workshop in 2005 is not accessible. During the review the Party responded that approach 2 was mainly used for the 2009 inventory in the energy and IPPU sectors and was extended to the 2012 inventory for the agriculture sector. The ERT recommends that the Party streamline the description of the use of approach 2 in the uncertainty analysis by adding a table showing the scope of its application so far, deleting the hyperlink if it is no longer accessible, and clarify its plans to apply the approach more often in future by providing more specific information in next annual submission.	G.6	The link has been deleted. The Annex contains all the relevant information.	Chapter 1 paragraph 7 and Annex 1

GENERAL QA/QC and verification Transparency	The ERT recommends that the Party streamline its description of QA/QC and verification by updating information to accurately reflect the situation (i.e. annual activities or new activities). Additionally, the ERT encourage the Party to add subheadings under section 1.6 (e.g. 1.6.1 for QC procedures; 1.6.2 for QA procedures and verification; 1.6.3 for final approval procedure of the inventory and archiving) for increasing the transparency.	G.9	The relevant paragraph has been streamlined	Chapter 1 paragraph 6
GENERAL Article 3, paragraph 14, of the Kyoto Protocol KP reporting adherence	The ERT recommends that the Party, in its annual submission, report any change(s) in its information provided under Article 3, paragraph 14, of the Kyoto Protocol in accordance with decision 15/CMP.1 in conjunction with decision 3/CMP.11. If there is no change, the ERT recommends that the Party improve the transparency of the information in its NIR by highlighting this in the NIR.	G.12	We implemented the suggestion	Chapter 13
GENERAL Article 3, paragraph 14, of the Kyoto Protocol Convention reporting adherence	The ERT recommends that the Party provide accurate information in the NIR on CDM projects hosted exclusively by the Party in next annual submission.	G.13	We implemented the suggestion	Chapter 13
ENERGY 1.A.2.d Pulp, paper and print – Biomass CO2 (E.2, 2018) (E.3, 2016) (E.3, 2015) Accuracy	Further analyse the EU ETS data for the time series available, taking into consideration biomass fuel mix in the relevant year, and document the relevant information in the NIR	E.4	The relevant information has been provided in the NIR	Chapter 3 paragraph 4
ENERGY 1.B.2 Oil, natural gas and other emissions from energy production – liquid and gaseous fuels CH4 Transparency	The ERT recommends that the Party include in the NIR more specific information on why the use of the IPCC good practice guidance better reflects national circumstances than the use of the more recent guidelines in its next annual submission.	E.10	The relevant information has been provided in the NIR	Chapter 3 paragraph 9
ENERGY 1.B.2.b Natural gas – gaseous fuels CH4 Transparency	The quantity of natural gas being distributed is less than 50 per cent of the natural gas transmitted in the whole time series, and the CH4 IEF of gas distribution in 2017 (4,151.76 kg/Mm3) is almost four times the default EF provided in the 2006 IPCC Guidelines (0.0011 Gg/Mm3) (see table 4.2.4, vol. 2). During the review week, the Party clarified that a significant proportion of natural gas does not go through the distribution network but is instead directly transported to industries, including the energy industry. The Party also clarified that the EFs are generated by combining measured data obtained directly from the main gas operators with calibrated estimates from smaller operators. The ERT recommends that the Party include an explanation of the AD gap between gas transmission and distribution and highlight the difference between the CH4 IEF for natural gas distribution and the default EF in the 2006 IPCC Guidelines in its next annual submission.	E.11	The relevant information has been provided in the NIR	Chapter 3 paragraph 9
IPPU 2. General all gases Convention reporting adherence	The ERT recommends Italy to fix the issues mentioned above including at least: a) Verifying the references as well as the web links to AD and including the right ones or a table with the information; b) Verifying systematically the processing of AD;	I.5	The NIR has been updated accordingly and the notation keys have been updated.	Chapter 4

	<p>c) Cheking the description of recalculations in the NIR against the CRF tables and ensuring that any recalculations performed are correctly described in the NIR in both the category and the Chapter summarising the recalculations;</p> <p>d) Ensuring the proper use of the notation keys;</p> <p>e) Performing QA of the NIR and the CRF tables and correcting errors annually before the submission;</p>			
<p>IPPU 2. General – CO<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O Transparency</p>	<p>The NIR provides information for each category under headings such as “source category description”, “methodological issues” and “source-specific QA/QC and verification”. However, methodological and verification issues are mixed together and described under all headings, impeding understanding. In addition, trends in most categories are explained by the use of the data source (e.g. EU ETS, The European Pollutant Release and Transfer Register (E-PRTR), the relevant association) but explanations of the methodologies and assumptions used to elaborate the emission estimates for each subcategory are not sufficiently clear. In addition, the simultaneous use of EU ETS and E-PRTR data is not transparently presented for all the categories likely to cause confusion. During the review Italy showed the methodologies used in each subcategory together with the input AD and its sources. When available, EU ETS verified data is the preferred source if it covers all plants of the subcategory. This source of information is complemented by E-PRTR data when it helps to cover the whole subcategory. Where this is not possible, national data is used and cross-checked using EU ETS and E-PRTR data. Large combustion plant data is used for cross-checking purposes. Although this is the general approach, the combination and prioritisation of data sources is different depending on the subcategory. The ERT recommends that Italy include more focused information under each heading in the NIR to support understanding and provide more detailed information on the AD selection and the methodologies used to estimate emissions under the “methodological issues” heading in each subcategory of the IPPU sector</p>	I.6	<p>The NIR has been updated accordingly as possible. In particular, as regards 2.F.1 category, refrigeration sector is described separately from the stationary air conditioning sector, to better take into account the different method of emissions estimating used but also the different types of data available.</p>	<p>Chapter 4; paragraph 7</p>
<p>IPPU 2.B Chemical industry – N<sub>2</sub>O Transparency</p>	<p>In recent years, as EU chemical plants have to report measured emissions under the EU-ETS, Italy has used information on certain measured GHG emissions for N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from nitric acid production or adipic acid production). However, a tier 2 method is indicated in CRF table summary 3 for the gases in these categories, rather than the tier 3 method based on measurements. During the review Italy explained that a tier 2 method was indicated because the emissions had not been estimated using very detailed information or complex models. The ERT recommends that Italy select a tier methodology according to the 2006 IPCC Guidelines and provide updated information on the tiers used across the time series in the NIR.</p>	I.7	<p>The NIR has been updated accordingly</p>	<p>Chapter 4 paragraph 3</p>
<p>IPPU 2.B.1 Ammonia production CO<sub>2</sub> Transparency</p>	<p>The ERT recommends that Italy investigate the reasons for the difference between apparent consumption and the amount of urea used in the inventory and include the results of this investigation in the NIR.</p>	I.8	<p>Italy is carrying out the requested investigations and additional information will be reported in the NIR</p>	<p>Chapter 4 paragraph 3</p>

IPPU 2.F.1 Refrigeration and air conditioning HFCs Transparency	The ERT recommends that the Party describe in the NIR the approach followed and the equations used to calculate the AD and EFs used and the emissions at each stage of the useful life cycle of the equipment (manufacturing, stocks and disposal) for each subcategory in accordance with the information provided in CRF table 2(II)B-Hs2.	I.9	The approach followed and the equations used for calculating the activity data, emission factors used and the emissions of each stage of the useful life cycle of the equipment (manufacturing, stocks and disposal) for each subcategory have been described in detail in the NIR	Chapter 4 paragraph 7
IPPU 2.D.3 Other non-energy products from fuels and solvent use – CO2 Convention reporting adherence	Italy reports indirect CO2 emissions from the atmospheric oxidation of non-methane volatile organic compounds (NMVOCs) in 2.D.3 Non-energy products from fuels and solvent use (p.63 of the NIR and CRF table 2(I)s2). However, in the CRF Summary 1.As3 (IPCC table 7A) and CRF table 6 Italy reports indirect CO2 as NO and in CRF tables 10s1 and 10s2, the Party reports Total CO2 equivalent emissions, including indirect CO2, without land use, land-use change and forestry and Total CO2 equivalent emissions, including indirect CO2, with land use, land-use change and forestry as NA. According to the UNFCCC Annex I inventory reporting guidelines, for Parties that decide to report indirect CO2 the national totals shall be presented with and without indirect CO2. The ERT recommends that the Party report indirect CO2 emissions in CRF Table 6 instead of CRF table 2(I)s2.	I.10	We do not agree with this recommendation. In our understanding of the reporting guidelines indirect CO2 emissions from Solvent use shall be included in the National total and reported under 2.D.3 and in particular in CRF table 2(I)s2.	Chapter 4 paragraph 5
AGRICULTURE 3.A.2 Sheep – CH4 Transparency	The ERT recommends that Italy improve the transparency of the information by providing information on the assumptions used to adjust the DE% values for mature ewes and other mature sheep.	A.4	Requested information has been provided in the NIR	Chapter 5 paragraph 5.2.2 and 5.2.6
AGRICULTURE 3.B Manure management CH4 Accuracy	The ERT recommends that Italy justify in the NIR the applicability of the currently used VS content values (developed by the researcher from a Danish university in 1992) to the national circumstances of Italy for the entire reporting period and if not possible, to consider using equation 10.24 of the 2006 IPCC Guidelines (vol. 4, chap. 10) to calculate VS excretion per day on a dry-organic matter basis (in kg VS day <sup>-1</sup> ). Furthermore, the ERT recommends that Italy correct the values for VS content from the referenced currently used document and apply the whole numbers without rounding fractional parts.	A.5	Requested information has been provided in the NIR	Chapter 5 paragraph 5.3.2 <i>Methane emissions (cattle and buffalo)</i> and 5.3.6
AGRICULTURE 3.B Manure management CH4 Transparency	The ERT recommends that Italy improve the transparency of the information by reporting information on the amount of manure generated by each subcategory of cattle and buffalo (e.g. in kg VSmanure/head/day or in kg manure/head/day) and including information on the quantity of bedding material used in solid manure management systems (e.g. in kg VSbedding/head/day or in kg/head/day). Moreover, the ERT recommends that Italy cross-check the country-specific values of VS for cattle and buffaloes against the values calculated on the basis of gross energy intake for each subcategory of cattle and buffalo (using equation 10.24 of the 2006 IPCC Guidelines, vol. 4, chap. 10) and report the results of the verification in the next NIR.	A.6	Requested information has been reported in the NIR and the required data checks has been carried out	Chapter 5 paragraph 5.3.2 <i>Methane emissions (cattle and buffalo)</i> , 5.3.4 and 5.3.6 and Annex 7 paragraph 7.2 and 7.3

AGRICULTURE 3.B Manure management CH4 Accuracy	The ERT recommends that Italy increase the accuracy of the CH <sub>4</sub> emission estimates from cattle and buffalo manure management by using data on the allocation of manure management systems for both climate zones, as reported in CRF table 3.B(a)s2, and applying average monthly temperatures from each year for the calculation of CH <sub>4</sub> emissions from manure management across the whole reporting period for both climatic zones. The ERT believes that future ERTs should consider this issue further to ensure that the data on allocation of manure management systems and average monthly temperatures are updated. Moreover, the ERT recommends that Italy improve the transparency of the information by providing information on the average monthly temperatures used in the estimations, the specific CH <sub>4</sub> emission rate (g CH <sub>4</sub> /kg VS) calculated by Italy on the basis of the equations reported in the NIR, and the total amount of VS handled in slurry/liquid and solid manure management systems for the entire reporting period (e.g. in an annex table).	A.7	As regards the requested information, these has been reported in the NIR	Chapter 5 paragraph 5.3.2 <i>Methane emissions (cattle and buffalo)</i> , 5.3.6 and Annex 7 paragraph 7.2
AGRICULTURE 3.A.1 Cattle CH4 Accuracy	The ERT considers that the estimation of Bo is not in line with the guidance presented in the 2006 IPCC Guidelines (vol. 4, chap. 10, p.10.43), which states that “the preferred method to obtain Bo measurement values is to use data from country-specific published sources, measured with a standardised method. If country-specific Bo measurement values are not available, default values are provided in Tables 10A-4 through 10A-9.” The ERT recommends that Italy use a country-specific Bo value obtained from measurements developed to evaluate Bo for manure produced by dairy cattle or apply the default values provided in table 10A-4 of the 2006 IPCC Guidelines.	A.8	Bo is estimated with Equation 10.23 from IPCC (IPCC, 2006, volume 4, chapter 10) and using country specific EFs and VS by livestock category and the average value of MCF by livestock category, considering this procedure more correct than entering the default data in the CRF.	Chapter 5 paragraph 5.3.2 <i>Methane emissions (cattle and buffalo)</i>
AGRICULTURE 3.B.1 Cattle CH4 Accuracy	The ERT recommends that Italy conduct a cross-check of the amounts of bedding material used to estimate CH <sub>4</sub> emissions from manure management and N <sub>2</sub> O emissions from animal manure applied to agricultural soils, ensuring that the amounts are consistent between two reporting categories.	A.9	Starting from data on manure production in housings from which CH <sub>4</sub> emissions from storage are derived, a new estimate of the amount of bedding used was made and the results were used to estimate N <sub>2</sub> O emissions from animal manure applied to agricultural soils and the relevant information has been reported in the NIR	Chapter 5 paragraph 5.3.2 and 5.3.4 and Annex 7 paragraph 7.3
AGRICULTURE 3.B.1 Cattle CH4 Completeness	The ERT recommends that Italy complete the estimates of CH <sub>4</sub> emissions from pasture, range and paddock manure management of dairy and non-dairy cattle and buffaloes for the entire reporting period and report the emissions or provide in the NIR justifications for exclusion in terms of the likely level of emissions according to paragraph 37(b) of the UNFCCC Annex I inventory reporting guidelines in its next submission.	A10	CH <sub>4</sub> emissions from rom pasture, paddock and range manure management of dairy and non-dairy cattle, and buffaloes have been estimated for the entire reporting period and the emissions have been reported in the 2020 submission and information of the estimate has been reported in the NIR	Chapter 5 paragraph 5.3.2 <i>Methane emissions (cattle and buffalo)</i>
AGRICULTURE 3.B Other livestock CH4 Completeness	The ERT recommends that Italy complete the estimations of CH <sub>4</sub> emissions from pasture management practices of sheep, goats, horses, mules and asses for the entire reporting period or provide in the NIR justifications for exclusion in terms of the likely level of emissions according to paragraph	A.11	Methane estimates from manure management of other livestock categories (i.e., sheep, goats, horses, mules and asses) are calculated using default	Chapter 5 paragraph 5.3.2 <i>Other livestock</i>

	37(b) of the UNFCCC Annex I inventory reporting guidelines in its next submission.		emission factors, which represent all the manure management systems, including grazing. So the recommendation will not be followed. Additional explanation has been included in the NIR	<i>categories</i>
AGRICULTURE 3.B.4 Other livestock CH4 Completeness	The ERT recommends that Italy provide in its NIR the calculation for CH4 emissions from ostrich manure management as provided to the ERT during the review (i.e. using the AD for 2010, 2013 and 2016 and the default EF from the 2006 IPCC Guidelines, vol. 4, table 10A-9) to justify the exclusion of CH4 emissions from ostrich manure management as an insignificant source in line with paragraph 37(b) of the UNFCCC Annex I inventory reporting guidelines.	A.12	CH4 emissions from ostrich manure management have been estimated for the entire reporting period and reported in the 2020 submission and information on the estimates have been reported in the NIR	Chapter 5 paragraph 5.3.2 <i>Other livestock categories</i>
AGRICULTURE 3.B.1 Cattle N2O Accuracy	The ERT recommends that Italy improve the consistency of the data on the performance parameters and the feed rations used to estimate gross energy intake by dairy cattle under the enteric fermentation in dairy cattle and the Nex values for dairy cattle for the entire reporting period. The ERT believes that future ERTs should consider this issue further to ensure that the above-mentioned reporting inconsistency is resolved and there is not an underestimation of direct and indirect N2O emissions manure management of dairy cattle and direct and indirect N2O emissions from agricultural soils.	A.13	Updating of Nex values for dairy cattle based on GEI and performance parameters for the entire reporting period has been done and the updated emissions have been reported in the 2020 submission. Relevant information has been included in the NIR	Chapter 5 paragraph 5.3.2 <i>N2O emissions from manure management</i>
AGRICULTURE 3.B.1 Cattle N2O Transparency	The ERT recommends that Italy revise the aggregated title reported as the “other dairy cattle” subcategory to “other non-dairy cattle”, provide a definition for the subcategory “cows in late career” and justify why milk produced by cows in late career is not used for human consumption in commercial quantities.	A.14	Requested information and the revised title of the 'other non-dairy cattle' has been reported in the NIR	Chapter 5 paragraph 5.3.2 <i>Methane emissions (cattle and buffalo)</i>
AGRICULTURE 3.D.a Direct N2O emissions from managed soils N2O Transparency	The ERT recommends that Italy investigate the driving forces for the significant inter-annual changes in AD on the amount of sewage sludge (between 2000 and 2001) and other organic fertilizers (between 2010 and 2011 and between 2011 and 2012) applied to agricultural soils and report this information in its next submission.	A.15	Italy is collecting additional information to be included in the NIR	Chapter 5 paragraph 5.5.4
AGRICULTURE 3D. Direct and indirect N2O emissions from agricultural soils - 3.F Field burning of agricultural residues N2O, CH4 Transparency	The ERT recommends that Italy enhance the transparency of the information in the NIR by providing information on the total amount of crop residues generated and on the shares of crop residues used for different purposes (e.g. in tabular form or in a flow chart).	A.16	Requested information has been reported in the NIR	Chapter 5 paragraph 5.5.2, 5.6.2 and Annex 7 figure A7.1
AGRICULTURE 3.D. Direct and indirect N2O emissions from agricultural soils N2O Transparency	The ERT recommends that Italy improve the transparency in the NIR by including the information how N content (%) reported in table 5.26 are calculated values in its next submission (e.g. in a footnote to the table).	A.17	Requested information has been reported in the NIR	Chapter 5 paragraph 5.5.2

LULUCF 4. General– (L.8, 2018) Transparency	Report more detailed explanatory information and a justification of recalculations in the NIR in line with paragraph 44 of the UNFCCC Annex I inventory reporting guidelines (e.g. providing information on the updated AD and/or on errors corrected in the models used)	L.1	Additional information has been included in the NIR	chapter 6 paragraph 2
LULUCF 4. General (L.8, 2018) Transparency	Ensure that the NIR contains up-to-date and consistent information on recalculations applied in the sector	L.2	Additional information has been included in the NIR	chapter 6 paragraph 2
LULUCF 4.A Forest land – CO2 (L.2, 2018) (L.5, 2016) (L.5, 2015) (56, 2014) Transparency	Document the For-est model validations in the NIR	L.3	The validation against the latest NFI data is planned to be used for the 2021 submission, since the NFI will be released by end of October 2010.	chapter 6 paragraph 2
LULUCF 4.A Forest land – CO2 (L.5, 2018) (L.7, 2016) (L.7, 2015) (58, 2014) Transparency	Provide definitions and thresholds for carbon pools in a table in the NIR	L.4	Additional information has been included in the NIR	chapter 6 paragraph 2
LULUCF 4.B.1 Cropland remaining cropland – CO2 (L.11, 2018) Transparency	Provide information on the smoothing process applied for the estimates and provide a table with the calculations with and without the smoothing in the NIR	L.6	A table reporting land use data with and without the smoothing over a 5 years period has been included in the NIR (submission 2019). An additional clarification related to the granularity of the smoothing process has been added to the NIR	chapter 6 paragraph 1
LULUCF 4.C.1 Grassland remaining grassland – CO2 (L.6, 2018) (L.13, 2016) (L.13, 2015) Accuracy	Include the subset of “improved grazing” land in the CRF tables and the NIR under the Convention while the new information is becoming available	L.7	The soil C stock changes for grassland has been estimated and reported based on updated available country specific data; the information on the subset of land included in the category has been detailed in the NIR.	chapter 6 paragraph 4
LULUCF 4(V) Biomass burning (4.E Settlements) – CO2, CH4 and N2O (L.12, 2018) Completeness	Revise the use of the notation key from “NO” to “NE” for CO2, CH4 and N2O emissions together with the relevant justification for excluding the emissions, in line with paragraph 37(b) of the UNFCCC Annex I inventory reporting guidelines (regarding biomass burning for settlements)	L.8	Notation keys have been changed and additional information has been included in the NIR	chapter 6 paragraph 6
LULUCF Land representation – Convention reporting adherence	The ERT recommends that Italy correct the error in the reporting of the total national land area in the land transition matrix reported in CRF table 4.1 that is owing to the error made when updating the areas of forest land remaining forest land for 2005, 2006 and 2007.	L.10	The errors have been fixed	chapter 6 paragraph 1

LULUCF 4.A Forest land – CO2 Transparency	The ERT recommends that Italy include in Annex 14 of the NIR a summary of the process used to infer the correction factors to consider informal harvest in the estimates of carbon stock changes in forest and include a table or a graph similar to the ones presented to the ERT during the review week showing the correction factors calculated by region.	L.11	Additional information has been included in the NIR	chapter 6 paragraph 2; Annex 14
LULUCF 4.A Forest land – CO2 Transparency	The ERT recommends that Italy correct the threshold values for below-ground biomass and for all other non-living biomass in litter contained in the table and encourages the Party to add the appropriate table number to the table on carbon pools in NIR section 6.2.4.	L.12	The errors have been fixed	Chapter 6 paragraph 2
LULUCF 4.B.1 Cropland remaining cropland – CO2 Completeness	In response to questions from the ERT and in the presentations from the Party during the review week, Italy presented the main outcomes of an ad-hoc project carried out in the last 2 years aimed to build a country specific estimation methodology, able to take into account the detailed information on implemented management practices in the estimation process of carbon stock changes related to the soils pool; preliminary estimates for CM, including soils pool, were presented and are planned to be reported in the next annual submission. The ERT commends Italy for these efforts to improve the inventory, The ERT recommends to report these new estimations of CSC in mineral soils in Cropland remaining Cropland and in CM under KP-LULUCF, as applicable, in the next submission.	L.13	Soil organic matter (SOM) of Cropland mineral soils has been estimated and reported	chapter 6 paragraph 3
LULUCF 4.C.1 Grassland remaining grassland – CO2 Completeness	Italy explains in the NIR (page 254) that SOM of Grassland mineral soils is not estimated and reported as "NE" because "no data are currently available on management practices in specific units of land". However, values of CSC in this C pool are actually reported in GM under KP (category B.3), and in CRF table 4.C under grassland remaining grassland the notation key "NO" has been used for mineral soils in grazing land and "NA" for mineral soils in other wooded lands, using the Tier 1 assumption that this C pool is not a net source which is not fully adequate as a justification for not reporting a C pool under the Convention. In response to questions from the ERT and in the presentations from the Party during the review week, Italy presented the main outcomes of an ad-hoc project (see ID# L.13) and preliminary estimates for GM including soils pool were presented and are planned to be reported in the next annual submission. The ERT commends Italy for these efforts to improve the inventory. The ERT recommends the Party to report these new estimations of CSC in mineral soils in Grassland and GM, as applicable, in the next submission or recommends/encourages to report this carbon pool as "NA" using the assumption of steady state for the carbon stock provided by the Tier-1 method in section 6.2.3.1 of Vol. 4, Chapter 6 of the 2006 IPCC Guidelines	L.14	Soil organic matter (SOM) of grassland mineral soils has been estimated and reported	chapter 6 paragraph 4
LULUCF 4(V) Biomass burning – CO2, CH4, N2O Accuracy	The ERT recommends that Italy revise the methodology used to estimate emissions from biomass burning by using the mean instead of maximum of average values estimated for the years 2008-2016 for estimating emissions for the years 1990-2007.	L.15	The recommendation has been addressed, changing the the estimation methodology	chapter 6 paragraph 2, 3, 4 and 12
LULUCF 4.G HWP – CO2 Transparency	The ERT recommends that Italy document in the NIR the methodology used to estimate CO2 emissions from SWDSs reported in CRF table 4.Gs1 and the rationale for the reported half-life value of 3.89 years. The ERT	L.16	Additional information has been included in the NIR	chapter 6 paragraph 13

	further encourages the Party to report carbon input to SWDSs or report it as “IE”, noting that these values have already been considered in the estimation of carbon losses			
KP-LULUCF Article 3.4 activities – CO2 (KL.1, 2018) (KL.2, 2016) (KL.2, 2015) Accuracy	Include transparent and verifiable information that demonstrates that the litter pool and deadwood pool for CM and above-ground biomass, below-ground biomass, litter, deadwood pools for grassland management are not net sources, as stated in the annex to decision 2/CMP.7, and change the notation key from “NO” to “NE”.	KL.1	Additional information has been included in the NIR	chapter 9 paragraph 3
KP-LULUCF FM – CO2 (KL.6, 2018) Yes. Accuracy	Correct the reporting of the FM cap in the CRF accounting table	KL.3	The correct FMcap has been included in the CRF	
KP-LULUCF CM – CO2 (KL.7, 2018) Yes. Transparency	Provide detailed information in the NIR on how the IUTI is updated and how it impacts the further refinement of AD classes in woody crops and non-woody crops, together with detailed information on the typologies of perennial woody crops and biomass estimates that are affected by the IUTI updates, which may affect the IEF changes	KL.4	Additional information has been included in the NIR	Annex 10
KP-LULUCF General – CO2, CH4, N2O Transparency	Italy reported recalculations in CM of -191.57 kt CO2 eq (29.2%) in 2016 which might be related to the recalculations applied to CL under the Convention for the same year and further recalculations in GM for the years 2013-2016, ranging from +507.64 kt CO2 eq (-79.1%) in 2013 to +672.23 kt CO2 eq (-95.2%) in 2015. A small recalculation was also applied to FM in 2016. No specific information on these recalculations was found in Chapters 8 and 9. In response to questions from the ERT, Italy noted that the drivers for CM recalculation are basically the same described in the Cropland category under the Convention, since the activity data and estimation process adopted under CM are the same. Given the differences in temporal frameworks between Convention categories and KP activities and the rules applied by the Party for the areas subject to KP-LULUCF activities as documented in Section 9.5.3, the ERT considers that these recalculations need to be documented in the NIR, therefore recommends that Italy clearly describe in the NIR the drivers of recalculations applied to KP-LULUCF activities	KL.5	Additional information has been included in the NIR	chapter 9 paragraph 3
KP-LULUCF CM – CO2, CH4, N2O Transparency	The inter-annual change in the Carbon Stock Change of perennial woody crops between 2015 (1,234.36 ktCO2) and 2016 (32.36 ktCO2) which represents a 97.4% decrease and is considered significant. During the review, Italy noted that the inter-annual change in the Carbon Stock Change of perennial woody crops is due to the small inter-annual variation of the perennial woody crops in the same period (2403.8 kha in 2015 vs 2402.9 kha in 2016): the small change in area is the driver for the assessment of C losses (associated to cropland area where perennial crops have been removed): in 2015, 34kha have been estimated while only 1kha has been estimated in 2016, and referred to Table 6.12 of the NIR where the time-series of areas with C losses are reported. The ERT also noticed a sudden drop of -1,051.53 kt CO2 eq. (-49%) in Cropland emissions between 2015 and 2016, which is not clearly explained in the NIR. In response to questions from the ERT, Italy noted that the change between 2015 and 2016, in 2019 submission compared to 2018 submission, was triggered by an update of 2015 area of annual crops (6,415.95 kha in 2019	KL.6	Interannual changes in the time series if any has been documented in the relevant paragraph of the NIR	chapter 6 and chapter 9

	submission vs 6,419.19 kha in 2018 submission) and an update of 2016 area of woody crops (2,403.87 kha in 2019 submission vs 2,377.56 kha in 2018 submission) made by the ISTAT. The ERT considers that important changes in trend of emissions/removals like this significant drop in Cropland estimates between 2015 and 2016, which impacted the CM estimates under KP-LULUCF, need to be better explained in the NIR and recommends that the Party clearly document in the NIR the drivers of significant changes in trend of emissions/removals in Cropland and CM.			
KP-LULUCF Biomass burning – CO <sub>2</sub> , CH <sub>4</sub> , N <sub>2</sub> O KP reporting adherence	The ERT recommends that Italy revise the methodology used to estimate emissions from biomass burning by using the mean instead of the maximum average values calculated for 2008–2016 to estimate emissions for 1990–2007. The ERT further recommends that Italy report in the NIR revised information on the calculation of the background level and the margin, including any recalculation made to them to maintain methodological consistency with the reported emissions and the forest management reference level and revise accordingly the values reported in tables 4(KP-I)A.1.1 and 4(KP-I)B.1.3, where applicable.	KL.7	The estimation methodology has been revised based on updated available country specific data; the description of the process and consequent recalculations have been detailed in the NIR.	chapter 9 paragrap h 3
WASTE 5.A Solid waste disposal on land – CH <sub>4</sub> (W.7, 2018) Transparency	Provide in the NIR further explanation on how time-series consistency and completeness is ensured (This could be done by including a description on how the historical and more recent waste categorizations are combined (e.g. textiles, leather and wood in historical data are included in other waste type)	W.2	The NIR has been updated accordingly	chapter 7 paragrap h 2
WASTE 5.A Solid waste disposal on land – CH <sub>4</sub> (W.7, 2018) Transparency	Provide in the NIR a reason for applying the current waste composition in the calculation for the weighted average k values for the entire time series (for slowly degraded waste (paper/nappies/textiles/leather/wood), which has variations of composition and inconsistent categorization throughout the time series, see W.1 above).	W.3	The NIR has been updated accordingly	chapter 7 paragrap h 2
WASTE 5.A Solid waste disposal on land – CH <sub>4</sub> (W.8, 2018) Transparency	Provide in the NIR summary information on waste disposal amounts for each climate zone	W.4	The NIR has been updated accordingly	chapter 7 paragrap h 2
WASTE 5.A.2 Unmanaged waste disposal sites – CH <sub>4</sub> (W.10, 2018) Transparency	Include in the NIR information to justify why disposal amounts from unmanaged disposal sites related to the Naples waste management issue are not included in the inventory estimates.	W.6	The NIR has been updated accordingly	chapter 7 paragrap h 2
WASTE 5.B Biological treatment of solid waste – CH <sub>4</sub> and N <sub>2</sub> O (W.11, 2018) Transparency	The ERT recommends the Party include the information of dry basis AD and the assumption of moisture content in the NIR.	W.7	The NIR has been updated accordingly	chapter 7 paragrap h 3

5.D.2 Industrial wastewater – N2O Transparency	Improve the transparency of the NIR and of CRF table 5.D by using the appropriate AD in the CRF table or by including an explanation that the AD reported in CRF table 5.D are in fact the N-N2O in the effluent.	W.9	The NIR has been updated accordingly	chapter 7 paragraph 5
WASTE 5.A Solid waste disposal on land – CH4 (W.7, 2018) Transparency	Italy reported the annual change in total long-term carbon storage in HWP waste as “NO” under the memo items in CRF table 5, however, in CRF table 4.Gs1, it reported net CO2 emissions from HWP in SWDSs in 2017 as 2,681.15 kt CO2. The ERT noted that this is not consistent. During the review Italy explained that the same database was used for HWP for both the waste and LULUCF sectors (see issue ID# L.16 above). The ERT recommends that Italy ensure that the information on the annual change in total long-term carbon storage in HWP waste presented in CRF table 5 is consistent with the information reported in LULUCF in CRF table 4.Gs1.	W.11	CRF tables have been updated accordingly	
WASTE 5.C.1 Waste incineration – CO2 Transparency	The ERT recommends that the Party improve transparency by including the values of carbon content for the whole time-series and the reason for these changes on carbon contents, fossil carbon fraction and oxidation factors, in order to facilitate the replication of the estimation. The ERT believes that future ERTs should consider this issue further to ensure that there is not an underestimation of CO2 emissions from these categories.	W.12	The NIR has been updated accordingly	chapter 7 paragraph 4

## A12.2 Results of the ESD technical review process

During the last ESD technical review process, no issues were raised in the review report and no revised estimates or technical corrections were deemed necessary. Anyway, issues identified during the review have been taken into account as much as possible to improve the current submission.

### Implementing Regulation Article 9: Reporting on implementation of recommendations and adjustments

2.Member States shall report on the status of implementation of each recommendation listed in the most recent review report pursuant to Article 35(2) in accordance with the tabular format specified in Annex IV.

Member State:	Italy
Reporting year:	2021

CRF category / issue	Review recommendation	Review report / paragraph	MS response / status of implementation	Chapter/section in the NIR
5A Solid Waste Disposal, CH4, 1990-2018	For CH4 emissions 5A Solid Waste Disposal for all years the TERT noted that Italy is applying a country-specific methodology that has been improved recently. Regarding the previous approach, Italy had demonstrated that was consistent with the 2006 IPCC Guidelines, but since changing its methodology, no QA activities that would ensure that the country-specific method is still consistent with the 2006 IPCC Guidelines have been carried out. The TERT cannot conclude whether this issue may relate to an over- or under-estimate of emissions. In response to a question raised during the review, Italy explained that it will insert the comparison in the QA/QC plan and will report in the next submission the results of this comparison using	IT-5A-2020-0004	A comparison of the IPCC waste model with the model used by Italy for the simulation of biogas production was carried out. To adequately compare the two calculation	Chapter 7 paragraph 2

CRF category / issue	Review recommendation	Review report / paragraph	MS response / status of implementation	Chapter/section in the NIR
	<p>both methodologies. The TERT recommends that Italy include the results of a verification of its country-specific model by comparing its emissions estimates with the IPCC Tier 1 model. For instance, the IPCC model could be set up a first time using IPCC default inputs and a second time, using the Italian model input parameters (as far as possible). The results may therefore be presented as QA activities in the NIR (including a short description of each scenario).</p>		<p>models, 4 outputs were created corresponding to the categories used in the Italian model: wet-managed (SWDS in wet zone and well managed), wet unmanaged (SWDS in wet zone and not managed), dry managed (SWDS in dry zone and well managed) and dry unmanaged (SWDS in dry zone and not managed). By using the same activity data and the same parameters in both models, almost identical results are obtained demonstrating the correct implementation of the physicochemical relationships in the Italian model. The differences are largely within the uncertainty of the estimate. The relevant information is provided in the NIR. In addition, in the framework of a project already started with the managers of waste management statistics, the updating of the waste composition of the last period is planned for the next submission.</p>	

## ANNEX 13: REPORTING UNDER EU REGULATION No 525/2013

### A13.1 Article 10 of the EU Regulation

**Implementing Regulation Article 10: Reporting on consistency of reported emissions with data from the emissions trading system**

1. Member States shall report the information referred to in Article 7(1)(k) of Regulation (EU) No 525/2013 in accordance with the tabular format set out in Annex V to this Regulation.

2. Member States shall report textual information on the results of the checks performed pursuant to Article 7(1)(l) of Regulation (EU) No 525/2013.

Allocation of verified emissions reported by installations and operators under Directive 2003/87/EC to source categories of the national greenhouse gas inventory

Member State:	Italy
Reporting year:	2021

Basis for data: verified ETS emissions and greenhouse gas emissions as reported in inventory submission for the year X-2

Total emissions (CO <sub>2</sub> -eq)					
Category[1]	Gas	Greenhouse gas inventory emissions [kt CO <sub>2</sub> eq][3]	Verified emissions under Directive 2003/87/EC [kt CO <sub>2</sub> eq][3]	Ratio in % (Verified emissions/ inventory emissions)[3]	Comment[2]
Greenhouse gas emissions (total emissions without LULUCF for GHG inventory and without emissions from 1A3a Civil aviation, total emissions from installations under Article 3h of Directive 2003/87/EC)	Total GHG	426170.588	140945.227	33.07%	
CO <sub>2</sub> emissions (total CO <sub>2</sub> emissions without LULUCF for GHG inventory and without emissions from 1A3a Civil aviation, total emissions from installations under Article 3h of Directive 2003/87/EC)	Total CO <sub>2</sub>	346641.688	140824.491	40.63%	

CO <sub>2</sub> emissions					
Category[1]	Gas	Greenhouse gas inventory emissions [kt CO <sub>2</sub> eq][3]	Verified emissions under Directive 2003/87/EC [kt CO <sub>2</sub> eq][3]	Ratio in % (Verified emissions/ inventory emissions)[3]	Comment[2]
<b>1.A Fuel combustion activities, total</b>	CO <sub>2</sub>	321588.850	NA	NA	
<b>1.A Fuel combustion activities, stationary combustion [4]</b>	CO <sub>2</sub>	321136.008	124938.216	0.389	
1.A.1 Energy industries	CO <sub>2</sub>	91312.371	90589.072	0.992	
1.A.1.a Public electricity and heat production	CO <sub>2</sub>	66938.685	66215.387	0.989	
1.A.1.b Petroleum refining	CO <sub>2</sub>	18986.154	18986.154	1.000	
1.A.1.c Manufacture of solid fuels and other energy industries	CO <sub>2</sub>	5387.532	5387.532	1.000	

CO <sub>2</sub> emissions					
Category[1]		Greenhouse gas inventory emissions [kt CO <sub>2</sub> eq][3]	Verified emissions under Directive 2003/87/EC [kt CO <sub>2</sub> eq][3]	Ratio in % (Verified emissions/inventory emissions)[3]	Comment[2]
Iron and steel total (1.A.1.c, 1.A.2, 1.B, 2.C.1) [5]	CO <sub>2</sub>	16564.267	15597.377	0.942	
1.A.2. Manufacturing industries and construction	CO <sub>2</sub>	48838.114	32921.816	0.674	
1.A.2.a Iron and steel	CO <sub>2</sub>	9819.686	8852.796	0.902	
1.A.2.b Non-ferrous metals	CO <sub>2</sub>	1112.592	592.634	0.533	
1.A.2.c Chemicals	CO <sub>2</sub>	9073.443	5006.260	0.552	
1.A.2.d Pulp, paper and print	CO <sub>2</sub>	4965.126	4051.465	0.816	
1.A.2.e Food processing, beverages and tobacco	CO <sub>2</sub>	3457.946	1660.424	0.480	
1.A.2.f Non-metallic minerals	CO <sub>2</sub>	10902.415	9517.346	0.873	
1.A.2.g Other	CO <sub>2</sub>	9506.906	3240.892	0.341	
1.A.3. Transport	CO <sub>2</sub>	104282.792	674.707	0.006	
1.A.3.e Other transportation (pipeline transport)	CO <sub>2</sub>	677.845	674.707	0.995	
1.A.4 Other sectors	CO <sub>2</sub>	76702.732	752.620	0.010	
1.A.4.a Commercial / Institutional	CO <sub>2</sub>	24560.829	752.620	0.031	
1.A.4.c Agriculture/ Forestry / Fisheries	CO <sub>2</sub>	7499.725	0	0.000	
<b>1.B Fugitive emissions from Fuels</b>	CO <sub>2</sub>	2756.726	1850.562	0.671	
<b>1.C CO<sub>2</sub> Transport and storage</b>	CO <sub>2</sub>				
1.C.1 Transport of CO <sub>2</sub>	CO <sub>2</sub>				
1.C.2 Injection and storage	CO <sub>2</sub>				
1.C:3 Other 2.A Mineral products	CO <sub>2</sub>				
<b>2.A Mineral products</b>	CO <sub>2</sub>	10932.978	10675.014	0.976	
2.A.1 Cement Production	CO <sub>2</sub>	7911.519	7901.577	0.999	
2.A.2. Lime production	CO <sub>2</sub>	1797.376	1626.070	0.905	
2.A.3. Glass production	CO <sub>2</sub>	596.705	596.705	1.000	
2.A.4. Other process uses of carbonates	CO <sub>2</sub>	627.378	550.661	0.878	
<b>2.B Chemical industry</b>	CO <sub>2</sub>	1314.577	1758.416	1.338	
2.B.1. Ammonia production	CO <sub>2</sub>	531.259	979.168	1.843	Includes emissions from urea production
2.B.3. Adipic acid production (CO <sub>2</sub> )	CO <sub>2</sub>	1.695	1.695	1.000	
2.B.4. Caprolactam, glyoxal and glyoxylic acid production	CO <sub>2</sub>				
2.B.5. Carbide production	CO <sub>2</sub>	4.070	0	0.000	
2.B.6 Titanium dioxide production	CO <sub>2</sub>				
2.B.7 Soda ash production	CO <sub>2</sub>	300.993	300.99	1.000	
2.B.8 Petrochemical and carbon black production	CO <sub>2</sub>	476.560	476.56	1.000	
<b>2.C Metal production</b>	CO <sub>2</sub>	1602.284	1602.284	1.000	
2.C.1. Iron and steel production	CO <sub>2</sub>	1357.050	1357.050	1.000	
2.C.2 Ferroalloys production	CO <sub>2</sub>				
2.C.3 Aluminium production	CO <sub>2</sub>				
2.C.4 Magnesium production	CO <sub>2</sub>				
2.C.5 Lead production	CO <sub>2</sub>				

CO <sub>2</sub> emissions					
Category[1]		Greenhouse gas inventory emissions [kt CO <sub>2</sub> eq][3]	Verified emissions under Directive 2003/87/EC [kt CO <sub>2</sub> eq][3]	Ratio in % (Verified emissions/inventory emissions)[3]	Comment[2]
2.C.6 Zinc production	CO <sub>2</sub>	245.234	245.234	1.000	
2.C.7 Other metal production	CO <sub>2</sub>				

N <sub>2</sub> O emissions					
Category[1]	Gas	Greenhouse gas inventory emissions [kt CO <sub>2</sub> eq][3]	Verified emissions under Directive 2003/87/EC [kt CO <sub>2</sub> eq][3]	Ratio in % (Verified emissions/inventory emissions)[3]	Comment[2]
2.B.2. Nitric acid production	N <sub>2</sub> O	43.049	43.035	1.000	rounding of activity data in the ETS calculation
2.B.3. Adipic acid production	N <sub>2</sub> O	77.700	77.700	1.000	
2.B.4. Caprolactam, glyoxal and glyoxylic acid production	N <sub>2</sub> O				

PFC emissions					
Category[1]	Gas	Greenhouse gas inventory emissions [kt CO <sub>2</sub> eq][3]	Verified emissions under Directive 2003/87/EC [kt CO <sub>2</sub> eq][3]	Ratio in % (Verified emissions/inventory emissions)[3]	Comment[2]
2.C.3 Aluminium production	PFC				

[1] The allocation of verified emissions to disaggregated inventory categories at four digit level must be reported where such allocation of verified emissions is possible and emissions occur. The following notation keys should be used: NO = not occurring IE = included elsewhere C = confidential negligible = small amount of verified emissions may occur in respective CRF category, but amount is < 5% of the category

[2] The column comment should be used to give a brief summary of the checks performed and if a Member State wants to provide additional explanations with regard to the allocation reported. Member States should add a short explanation when using IE or other notation keys to ensure transparency.

[3] Data to be reported up to one decimal point for kt and % values

[4] 1.A Fuel combustion, stationary combustion should include the sum total of the relevant rows below for 1.A (without double counting) plus the addition of other stationary combustion emissions not explicitly included in any of the rows below.

[5] To be filled on the basis of combined CRF categories pertaining to 'Iron and Steel', to be determined individually by each Member State; e.g. (1.A.2.a+ 2.C.1 + 1.A.1.c and other relevant CRF categories that include emissions from iron and steel (e.g. 1A1a, 1B1))

Notation: x = reporting year

## A13.2 Article 12 of the EU Regulation

### Implementing Regulation Article 12: Reporting on consistency with energy data

1. Under Article 7(1)(m)(iii) of Regulation (EU) No 525/2013, Member States shall report textual information on the comparison between the reference approach calculated on the basis of the data included in the greenhouse gas inventory and the reference approach calculated on the basis of the data reported pursuant to Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 1099/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council (1) and Annex B to that Regulation.

2. Member States shall provide quantitative information and explanations for differences of more than +/- 2 % in the total national apparent fossil fuel consumption at aggregate level for all fossil fuel categories for the year X-2 in accordance with the tabular format set out in Annex VI.

Member State:	ITALY						
Reporting year:	2019						

FUEL TYPES			Apparent consumption reported in GHG inventory (TJ) (3)	Apparent consumption using data reported pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 1099/2008 (TJ) (3)	Absolute difference (1) (TJ) (3)	Relative difference (2) % (3)	Explanations for differences	
Liquid fossil	Primary fuels	Crude oil	2,816,547	2,816,547	0	0.0%		
		Orimulsion						
		Natural gas liquids						
	Secondary fuels	Gasoline	-357,794	-358,516	722	-0.2%		
		Jet kerosene	-79,066	-74,116	-4,951	6.3%		
		Other kerosene	-1,577	-1,572	-5	0.3%		
		Shale oil						
		Gas/diesel oil	-197,181	-197,477	296	-0.2%		
		Residual fuel oil	-194,025	-199,320	5,296	-2.7%		
		Liquefied petroleum gases (LPG)	98,427	98,234	193	0.2%		
		Ethane						
		Naptha	-13,627	-13,770	143	-1.1%		
		Bitumen	-44,069	-44,140	71	-0.2%		
		Lubricants	-12,644	-13,213	568	-4.5%		
		Petroleum coke	34,155	26,505	7,649	22.4%		
		Refinery feedstocks	139,622	116,504	23,119	16.6%		
		Other oil	-37,218	16,689	-53,908	144.8%		
	Other liquid fossil							
	Liquid fossil total			2,151,549	2,172,355	-20,806	-1.0%	
	Solid fossil	Primary fuels	Anthracite	2,606	2,606			
Coking coal			67,981	67,981	0	0.0%		
Other bituminous coal			192,953	192,953	0	0.0%		
Sub-bituminous coal				0	0			
Lignite			15	15	0	0.0%		
Oil shale and tar sand								
Peat								
Secondary fuels		BKB and patent fuel						

		Coke oven/gas coke	8,300	8,300	0	0.0%	
		Coal tar	-526	-526	0	0.0%	
Other solid fossil							
Solid fossil totals			271,330	271,330	0	0.0%	
Gaseous fossil		Natural gas (dry)	2,552,119	2,551,815	303	0.0%	
Other gaseous fossil							
Gaseous fossil totals			2,552,119	2,551,815	303	0.0%	
Waste (non-biomass fraction)			43,294	47,436	-4,142	-9.6%	
Other fossil fuels							
Peat							
Total			5,018,292	5,042,937	-24,644	-0.5%	

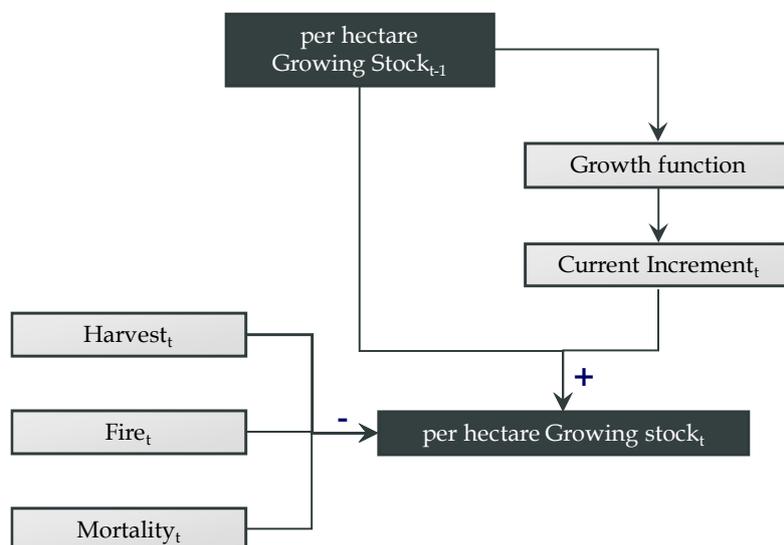
(1) Apparent consumption reported in GHG inventory minus apparent consumption using data reported pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 1099/2008

(2) Absolute difference divided by apparent consumption reported in GHG inventory

(3) Data to be reported up to one decimal point for kt and % values

## ANNEX 14: For-est model

*For-est* is a book keeping model (figure A14.1) that calculates annually the C stock of the aboveground biomass pool, as derived from the growing stock, by adding the annual net increment and subtracting annual losses associated with formal and informal<sup>99</sup> harvest (industrial roundwood and fuelwood), forest fires and other mortality, which includes all other disturbances<sup>100</sup> (i.e. drought, grazing, wind).



**Figure A14.1** *For-est* model flow-chart

The model is applied to each forest inventory typology, 26<sup>101</sup>, at regional/provincial scale (NUTS2 - 19 regions<sup>102</sup> and 2 provinces), using as model input data for the forest area and initial growing stock of the first NFI (NFI1985) and forest area of the second and third NFIs (NFI2005, NFI2015). An independent verification (Tabacchi et al., 2010) of the model results versus measured data was carried out in the year 2008 by comparison of the growing stock calculated by the model vs the data collected in the second national forest inventory<sup>103</sup>, showing that the difference between the measured and modeled biomass C stocks is around -7%; which means that the model has underestimated by almost 0.3% yr<sup>-1</sup> the net accumulation of C stocks across the period 1985-2008.

Consistently, the time series of growing stock values in each forest inventory typology in each region/province is estimated applying the following steps:

1. deriving the initial growing stock volume for the year 1985 from the NFI data (MAF/ISAF, 1988);
2. for each year, the current increment per hectare [m<sup>3</sup> ha<sup>-1</sup>yr<sup>-1</sup>] is computed with the forest inventory typology specific derivative Richards function, for each forest inventory typology using as independent variable  $x$  the per hectare growing stock.

<sup>99</sup> "Informal harvest" includes all harvest not captured by the official system of statistics either because occurring outside the chain of data collection, e.g. domestic fuelwood collection, or because may have occurred outside the planned harvest, e.g. small areas for which no harvesting plan is required and illegal harvest.

<sup>100</sup> Although natural mortality does not explicitly include losses caused by exceptional occurrences of those other disturbances, such exceptional losses are included in the national GHG inventory through the subsequent salvage logging of those lost biomass stocks.

<sup>101</sup> 4 different management system of practices (High stands, Coppices, Plantations, Protective) are combined with 22 forest types to classify 26 forest inventory typologies:

**Stands:** 1. norway spruce, 2. silver fir, 3. larches, 4. mountain pines, 5. mediterranean pines, 6. other conifers, 7. European beech, 8. turkey oak, 9. other oaks, 10. other broadleaves.

**Coppices:** 11. European beech, 12. sweet chestnut, 13. hornbeams, 14. other oaks, 15. turkey oak, 16. evergreen oaks, 17. other broadleaves, 18. conifers.

**Plantations:** 19. eucalyptuses coppices, 20. other broadleaves coppices, 21. poplar stands, 22. other broadleaves stands, 23. conifers stands, 24. others.

**Protective Forests:** 25. rupicolous forest, 26. riparian forests

<sup>102</sup> Abruzzo, Alto Adige/Sud Tirolo, Basilicata, Calabria, Campania, Emilia Romagna, Friuli Venezia Giulia, Lazio, Liguria, Lombardia, Marche, Molise, Piemonte, Puglia, Sardegna, Sicilia, Toscana, Trentino, Umbria, Valle d'Aosta, Veneto.

<sup>103</sup> [https://www.sian.it/inventarioforestale/jsp/risultati\\_introa.jsp?menu=3](https://www.sian.it/inventarioforestale/jsp/risultati_introa.jsp?menu=3)

3. for each year, the following losses are calculated:
- harvest, statistical data collected from ISTAT on industrial roundwood production (all assigned to “stands” forests), fuelwood (all assigned to “coppices” forests) and wood outside forest (all assigned to “plantations” forests). Aiming at taking into account the informal<sup>104</sup> harvest, the time series has been recalculated, applying a correction factor, on regional basis, to the commercial harvested wood statistical data (table A14.2). The correction factor<sup>105</sup>, was inferred from the outcome of a 2005 NFI survey<sup>106</sup> (table A14.1), carrying out a regional assessment of the harvested biomass. In each region/province, harvested quantities are assigned to each forest inventory typology in proportion of its total annual increment. The correction factors, at regional level, are reported in table A14.3.

**Table A14.1 NFI survey - harvested volume**

Region	Harvested volume	S.E.	Harvested volume	S.E.
	$m^3$	%	$m^3ha^{-1}$	%
Piemonte	1,360,223	31	1.6	30.9
Valle d'Aosta	-	-	-	-
Lombardia	1,039,728	52.7	1.7	52.7
Alto Adige	862,811	62.4	2.6	62.4
Trentino	1,348,355	40.7	3.6	40.6
Veneto	475,573	40	1.2	39.9
Friuli V.G.	462,541	67.3	1.4	67.3
Liguria	372,380	61.9	1.1	61.9
Emilia Romagna	362,005	62.2	0.6	62.2
Toscana	1,745,382	28.1	1.7	28
Umbria	1,294,494	43.6	3.5	43.6
Marche	418,031	74.9	1.4	74.9
Lazio	1,576,155	54.5	2.9	54.5
Abruzzo	388,752	51.8	1	51.7
Molise	200,825	54.5	1.5	54.4
Campania	915,244	59.6	2.4	59.6
Puglia	255,981	60.5	1.8	60.5
Basilicata	7,820	71.4	0	71.4
Calabria	624,762	53	1.3	53
Sicilia	23,477	58	0.1	57.9
Sardegna	62,323	53.3	0.1	53.2
<b>Italia</b>	<b>13,796,864</b>	<b>12.9</b>	<b>1.6</b>	<b>12.9</b>

<sup>104</sup> Data on biomass removed in commercial harvest have been judged underestimated, particularly fuelwood consumption (APAT - ARPA Lombardia, 2007, UNECE – FAO, Timber Committee, 2008, Corona et al., 2007).

<sup>105</sup> A correction factor for each Italian region (21) has been pointed out. The mean value is 1.57, obtained as ratio of data from official statistics and NFI survey data. The variance is equal to 0.82.

<sup>106</sup> NFI survey on harvested volume: <http://www.sian.it/inventarioforestale/caricaDocumento?idAlle=442>

Table A14.2 ISTAT data: harvested volume

Region	Harvested volume
	$m^3$
Piemonte	363,846
Valle d'Aosta	16,279
Lombardia	1,060,701
Alto Adige	589,191
Trentino	484,906
Veneto	270,880
Friuli V.G.	180,544
Liguria	96,515
Emilia Romagna	485,777
Toscana	1,477,135
Umbria	471,070
Marche	192,068
Lazio	875,408
Abruzzo	203,632
Molise	159,104
Campania	518,376
Puglia	101,776
Basilicata	299,019
Calabria	753,042
Sicilia	59,850
Sardegna	139,751
<b>Italia</b>	<b>8,798,869</b>

Table A14.3 Correction factors

Region	Correction factor
Piemonte	3.74
Valle d'Aosta	1.00
Lombardia	1.00
Alto Adige	1.46
Trentino	2.78
Veneto	1.76
Friuli V.G.	2.56
Liguria	3.86
Emilia Romagna	1.00
Toscana	1.18
Umbria	2.75
Marche	2.18
Lazio	1.80
Abruzzo	1.91
Molise	1.26
Campania	1.77
Puglia	2.52
Basilicata	1.00
Calabria	1.00
Sicilia	1.00
Sardegna	1.00
<b>Italia</b>	<b>1.57</b>

- b. fires, area burnt from Forest service statistics, assigned to forest inventory typologies proportionally to their area, all biomass stock is assumed lost. For the period 1990-2007, data on area burnt come from the ISTAT national statistics disaggregated per region and per management type, i.e. high forest (resinous, broadleaves, mixed) and coppices (simple, mixed and degraded), while for the period 2008-2019 data come from a detailed database<sup>107</sup>, collected by “Carabinieri Forestali”<sup>108</sup> for 15 regions<sup>109</sup> and by regional offices for the remaining 4 autonomous regions<sup>110</sup> and 2 autonomous provinces<sup>111</sup>. The growing stock loss caused by forest fires is estimated on the basis of the average growing stock per hectare. Although all the stock is assumed to be lost, only a fraction of it is oxidized according to the fire typology the remaining portion is assumed to be dead mass. Additional information is reported in the Annex 15.
- c. mortality, an average constant ratio of mortality to total growing stock (Federici et al, 2008) estimated by expert judgement for evergreen (1.16%) and deciduous (1.17%) forests;
4. for protective forest (i.e. rupicolous and riparian forests) only, an average constant ratio of 3% (expert judgement - Federici et al., 2008) of C stock losses associated with drain and grazing. starting from 1986, for each year, the final growing stock per hectare [ $m^3 ha^{-1}$ ] is computed adding to the final growing stock volume of the previous year the increment calculated for the current year and subtracting the losses occurred in the year as due to harvest, fires and mortality.

The procedure can be summarized as follows:

<sup>107</sup> Containing information also on forest type (consistently with those used for the stratification of forest land), fire's type (crown, surface, ground) and scorch height. This detailed information allows the assessment of the forest fire damage and related biomass losses.

<sup>108</sup> <http://www.carabinieri.it/arma/oggi/organizzazione/organizzazione-per-la-tutela-forestale-ambientale-e-agroalimentare>

<sup>109</sup> Abruzzo, Basilicata, Calabria, Campania, Emilia Romagna, Lazio, Liguria, Lombardia, Marche, Molise, Piemonte, Puglia, Toscana, Umbria, Veneto.

<sup>110</sup> Friuli-Venezia Giulia, Sardegna, Sicilia, Valle d'Aosta.

<sup>111</sup> Alto Adige/Sud Tirolo, Trentino.

$$v_i = \frac{V_{i-1} + I_i - H_i - F_i - M_i - D_i}{A_i}$$

where:

$$I_i = f(v_{i-1}) \cdot A_{i-1}$$

$v_i$  is the volume per hectare of growing stock for the current year

$V_{i-1}$  is the total previous year growing stock volume

$I_i$  is the total current increment of growing stock for the current year

$H_i$  is the total amount of harvested growing stock for the current year

$F_i$  is the total amount of burned growing stock for the current year

$M_i$  is the annual rate of mortality

$D$  is the annual rate of drain and grazing for the protective forest

$A_i$  is the total area referred to a specific forest typology for the current year

$v_{i-1}$  is the previous year growing stock volume per hectare

$A_{i-1}$  is the total area referred to a specific forest typology for the previous year

$f$  is the Richards function reported above

The annual current increment is estimated through the use of a non-linear function, the Richards function, that has the growing stock as its independent variable. The Richards' 4 parameters allow the needed flexibility to represent the various potential growth rates, including the initial, nearly constant, rate. To calculate the 4 parameters for each forest inventory typology the Richards function has been fitted through the data of growing stock [ $\text{m}^3 \text{ha}^{-1}$ ] and increment [ $\text{m}^3 \text{ha}^{-1} \text{yr}^{-1}$ ] obtained from the collection of Italian yield tables.

$$y = a \cdot \left[ 1 \pm e^{(\beta - kt)} \right]^{\frac{1}{v}} \quad (\text{Richards function})$$

The per hectare growing stock (i.e. the biomass density of the stand) is the independent variable  $x$ , while the dependent variable  $y$  is the increment computed with the Richards function - first derivative.

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = \frac{k}{v} \cdot y \cdot \left[ 1 - \left( \frac{y}{a} \right)^v \right] + y_0 \quad (\text{Richards function - first derivative})$$

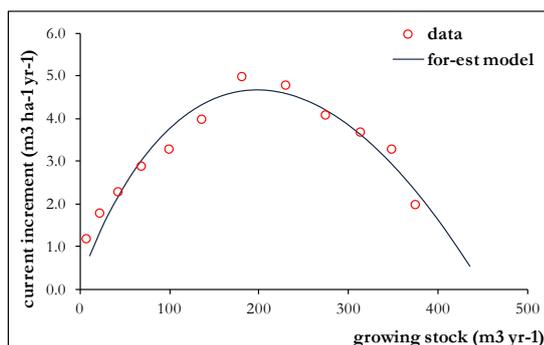
where the general constrain for the parameters are the following:

$$a, k > 0 \quad -1 \leq v \leq \infty \quad \text{and} \quad v \neq 0$$

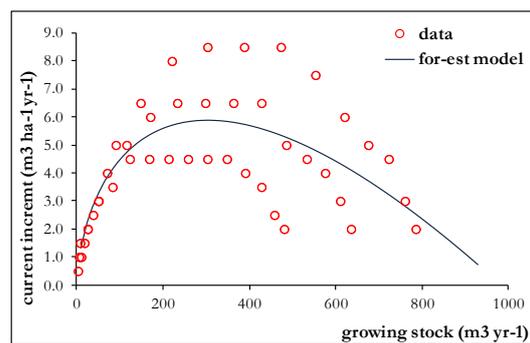
The constant  $y_0$  is the growing stock volume at 1-year age.

The Richards function, first derivative, has been fitted against data taken from all quality classes of each yield table (Figure A14.2), in order to calculate a set of variables' values for each forest inventory typology.

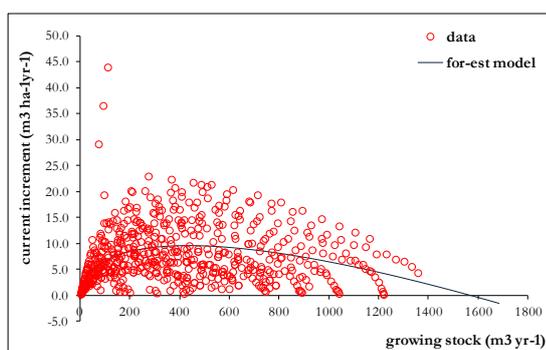
The curves have been derived from a collection of around 100 Italian yield tables.



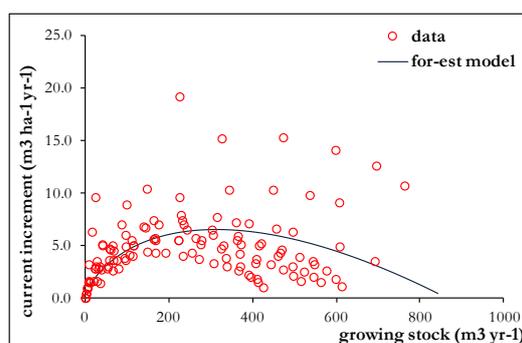
**A14.2a Trentino, larches**



**A14.2b Lombardia, norway spruce**



**A14.2c Piemonte, other conifers**



**A14.2d Campania, European beech**

**Figure A14.2: For-est model fitting**

The per hectare growing stock and associated gain and losses are converted into aboveground biomass stock applying the following equation:

$$\text{Aboveground tree biomass (d.m.)} = GS \cdot BEF \cdot WBD \cdot A$$

where:

GS = volume of growing stock (MAF/ISAF, 1988) [ $\text{m}^3 \text{ha}^{-1}$ ] of specific forest inventory typology;

BEF = Biomass Expansion Factors which expands growing stock volume to volume of aboveground woody biomass (ISAF, 2004);

WBD = Wood Basic Density for conversions from fresh volume to dry weight (d.m.) [ $\text{t m}^{-3}$ ] (Giordano, 1980);

A = forest area of specific forest inventory typology [ha]

The BEFs and WBDs have been estimated for each forest inventory typology and are reported in following table A14.4.

Inventory typology	BEF	WBD	
	aboveground biomass / growing stock	Dry weight t/fresh volume	
Stands	norway spruce	1.29	0.38
	silver fir	1.34	0.38
	larches	1.22	0.56
	mountain pines	1.33	0.47
	mediterranean pines	1.53	0.53
	other conifers	1.37	0.43
	european beech	1.36	0.61
	turkey oak	1.45	0.69
	other oaks	1.42	0.67
	other broadleaves	1.47	0.53
	Coppices	european beech	1.36
sweet chestnut		1.33	0.49
hornbeams		1.28	0.66
other oaks		1.39	0.65
turkey oak		1.23	0.69
evergreen oaks		1.45	0.72
other broadleaves		1.53	0.53
conifers		1.38	0.43
Plantations	eucalyptuses coppices	1.33	0.54
	other broadleaves coppices	1.45	0.53
	poplars stands	1.24	0.29
	other broadleaves stands	1.53	0.53
	conifers stands	1.41	0.43
others	1.46	0.48	
rupicolous forest	1.44	0.52	
riparian forest	1.39	0.41	

**Table A14.4 Biomass Expansion Factors and Wood Basic Densities**

Applying a Root/Shoot ratio (R) to the aboveground volume and the same WBDs the belowground biomass is derived for each forest inventory typology. The Rs have been estimated for each forest inventory typology and

are reported in table A11.2. Data on root to shoot ratios have been taken from the following European projects: CANIF<sup>112</sup> (*Carbon and Nitrogen cycling in Forest ecosystems*), CARBODATA<sup>113</sup> (*Carbon Balance Estimates and Resource Management - Support with Data from Project Networks Implemented at European Continental Scale*), CARBOINVENT<sup>114</sup> (*Multi-source inventory methods for quantifying carbon stocks and stock changes in European forests*) and COST<sup>115</sup> Action E21- Contribution of forests and forestry to mitigate greenhouse effects.

$$\text{belowground tree biomass (d.m.)} = \text{Aboveground tree biomass} \cdot R$$

where:

R = Root/Shoot ratio dimensionless of each specific forest inventory tipology

	Inventory typology	R Root/shoot ratio
Stands	norway spruce	0.29
	silver fir	0.28
	Larches	0.29
	mountain pines	0.36
	mediterranean pines	0.33
	other conifers	0.29
	european beech	0.20
	turkey oak	0.24
	other oaks	0.20
	other broadleaves	0.24
Coppices	european beech	0.20
	sweet chestnut	0.28
	Hornbeams	0.26
	other oaks	0.20
	turkey oak	0.24
	evergreen oaks	1.00
	other broadleaves	0.24
	Conifers	0.29
Plantations	eucalyptuses coppices	0.43
	other broadleaves coppices	0.24
	poplars stands	0.21
	other broadleaves stands	0.24
	conifers stands	0.29
	others	0.28
Pr ote cti	rupicolous forest	0.42
	riparian forest	0.23

**Table A14.5 Root/Shoot ratio and Wood Basic Densities**

The biomass stocks and stock changes are converted to carbon units applying the IPCC default carbon fraction (CF) value of 0.47 t C (t d.m.)<sup>-1</sup>.

The dead wood mass has been estimated using coefficients calculated from Italian national forest inventory (NFI) survey, in 2008 and 2009, which specifically intended to investigate the carbon storage of forests. Samples of dead-wood were collected across the country from the plots of the national forest inventory network, and their basic densities measured in order to calculate conversion factors for estimating the dry weight of dead-wood

<sup>112</sup> CANIF-Carbon and Nitrogen cycling in Forest ecosystems [http://www.bgc-jena.mpg.de/bgc-processes/research/Schulze\\_Euro\\_CANIF.html](http://www.bgc-jena.mpg.de/bgc-processes/research/Schulze_Euro_CANIF.html); Scarascia Mugnozza G., Bauer G., Persson H., Matteucci G., Masci A.(2000). Tree biomass, growth and nutrient pools. In: Schulze E.-D. (edit.) Carbon and Nitrogen Cycling in European forest Ecosystems, Ecological Studies 142, Springer Verlag, Heidelberg. Pp. 49-62. ISBN 3-540-67239-7

<sup>113</sup> CARBODATA - Carbon Balance Estimates and Resource Management - Support with Data from Project Networks Implemented at European Continental Scale: [http://afoludata.jrc.it/carbodatat/proj\\_desc.html](http://afoludata.jrc.it/carbodatat/proj_desc.html)

<sup>114</sup> CARBOINVENT - Multi-source inventory methods for quantifying carbon stocks and stock changes in European forests; <http://www.joanneum.at/carboinvent/>

<sup>115</sup> COST Action E21 - Contribution of forests and forestry to mitigate greenhouse effects: [http://www.cost.eu/domains\\_actions/fps/Actions/E21](http://www.cost.eu/domains_actions/fps/Actions/E21); [http://www.afs-journal.org/index.php?option=com\\_article&access=standard&Itemid=129&url=/articles/forest/pdf/2005/08/F62800f.pdf](http://www.afs-journal.org/index.php?option=com_article&access=standard&Itemid=129&url=/articles/forest/pdf/2005/08/F62800f.pdf)

(Di Cosmo et al., 2013). The values used, aggregated at regional level, may be found on the NFI website: [http://www.sian.it/inventarioforestale/jsp/dati\\_carquant\\_tab.jsp](http://www.sian.it/inventarioforestale/jsp/dati_carquant_tab.jsp).

The definition of the deadwood pool, coherent with the definition adopted by the NFI, is related to “All non-living woody biomass not contained in the litter, either standing, lying on the ground, or in the soil. Dead wood includes wood lying on the surface, stumps larger than or equal to 10 cm in diameter and standing trees with DBH > 4,5 cm”. Additional explanation on the data and parameters used for deadwood are included in the paper Di Cosmo et al., 2013, and in the NFI website (<http://www.sian.it/inventarioforestale/jsp/necromassa.jsp>).

In Table A14.3 dead wood coefficients are reported.

	Inventory typology	dead wood (dry matter) <i>t ha<sup>-1</sup></i>
<i>stands</i>	norway spruce	6.360
	silver fir	7.770
	Larches	3.830
	mountain pines	4.385
	mediterranean pines	2.670
	other conifers	4.290
	european beech	3.350
	turkey oak	1.770
	other oaks	1.690
	other broadleaves	3.990
	<i>coppices</i>	european beech
sweet chestnut		12.990
Hornbeams		2.730
other oaks		1.690
turkey oak		1.770
evergreen oaks		1.370
other broadleaves		2.690
Conifers		4.290
<i>plantations</i>	eucalyptuses coppices	0.670
	other broadleaves coppices	0.670
	poplars stands	0.480
	other broadleaves stands	0.670
	conifers stands	3.040
<i>protective</i>	rupicolous forest	2.730
	riparian forest	4.790

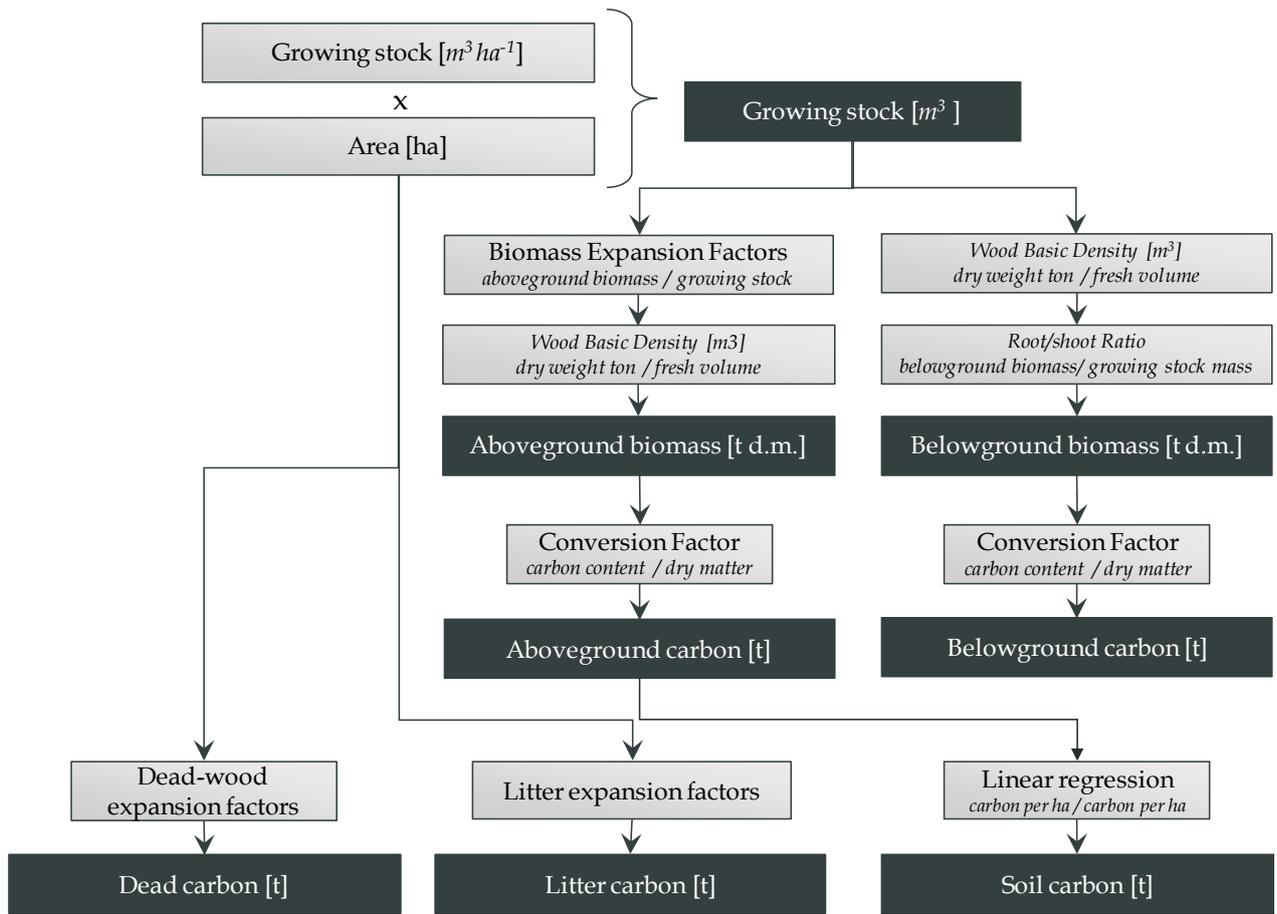
**Table A14.6 Dead-wood expansion factor**

Carbon amount contained in litter pool has been estimated using the values of litter carbon content, per hectare, assessed by the Italian national forest inventory. The values used, aggregated at regional level, may be found on the NFI website: [http://www.sian.it/inventarioforestale/jsp/dati\\_carquant\\_tab.jsp](http://www.sian.it/inventarioforestale/jsp/dati_carquant_tab.jsp). The average value of litter organic carbon content, for Italy, is equal to 2.67 t C ha<sup>-1</sup>.

A comparison between carbon in the aboveground, deadwood and litter pools, estimated with the described methodology, and the II NFI data (INFC2005) is reported in Table A14.7.

	INFC2005 <i>t C</i>	For-est model <i>t C</i>	<i>differences</i>	
			<i>t C</i>	%
<b>aboveground</b>	456,857,390	425,240,589	-31,616,801	<b>-6.92</b>
<b>deadwood</b>	15,987,541	15,869,766	-117,775	<b>-0.74</b>
<b>litter</b>	28,170,660	28,138,039	-32,621	<b>-0.12</b>

**Table A14.7 Comparison between estimated and INFC2005 carbon stocks**



**Figure A14.3 For-est model complete flow-chart**

## ANNEX 15: For-fires model

*For-fires* is a book keeping model that calculates the non CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from fires affecting forest and other wooded land categories. The model is based on the approach developed by Bovio (2007); to this aim, the template used by Carabinieri Force<sup>116</sup>, for each forest event, was modified in 2007 to collect the data needed to implement this approach. The model was implemented by Chiriaco and Perugini (Chiriaco et al., 2013) jointly with ISPRA. For the current submission, the model has been revised and R-coded: some refinements have been performed to fix a few errors and to modify the gap-filling procedures.

### A15.1 Method description

*For-fires* model is based on the on the equation 2.27 of the 2006 IPCC Guidelines (vol.4, ch. 2):

$$L_{fire} = A \times M_B \times C_f \times G_{ef} \times 10^{-3}$$

where

$L_{fire}$ : amount of greenhouse gas emissions released from fire

A burned area (hectares)

$M_B$  mass of fuel available for combustion (t ha<sup>-1</sup>)

$C_f$  combustion factor (dimensionless)

$G_{ef}$  emission factors (g kg<sup>-1</sup> dry matter burnt)

The key driver for fires emissions release is the assessment of the burned and oxidised biomass in each fire event. According to Chiriaco et al. (2013), the combustion factor ( $C_f$ ) term is the most critical to be estimated as it represents the fraction of pre-disturbance biomass that is actually combusted during the fire event. Its estimation has been carried out on the basis of the approach developed by Bovio (2007), which assess forest fire damage in Italy, taking into account two main elements: the burned forest typology, and the fire intensity (assessed through the scorch height).

The Bovio (2007) approach groups the forest typologies into 9 forest vegetation classes considering the possible effect that a fire event can have on them because of specific forest characteristics and their distribution over the country (Table ).

**Table A15.1: Bovio (2007) forest vegetation classes and forest typologies: correspondence matrix**

Forest class	vegetation forest typology
A	european beech stands
	sweet chestnut stands
	hornbeam stands
	riparian forests
	other broadleaves
B	turkey oak stands
	other oak stands
	evergreen oak stands
	cork oaks
C	Larches
	norway spruce
	silver fir
	mountain pines above 500 m a.s.l.
	black pine above 500 m a.s.l.
D	mountain pines below 500 m asl
	black pine below 500 m asl
	mediterranean pines
	other conifers
E	european beech coppices
	sweet chestnut coppices

<sup>116</sup> the Armed Forces and Police Authority where the State Forestry Service is embedded, following the legislative decree 19/08/2016, n. 177

<b>F</b>	turkey oak coppices other oak coppices evergreen oak coppices hornbeam coppices
<b>G</b>	shrublands (including mediterranean maquis)
<b>H</b>	other broadleaves with a mean height lower than 3.5m (temporary unstocked broadleaves forests)
<b>I</b>	other conifers with a mean height than 3.5m (temporary unstocked conifer forests)

Bovio (2007) assumed that, in each forest vegetation class, the damage level depends on the fire intensity, which, in turn, can be estimated as a function of scorch height. In Table A15.2, the damage level as a function of scorch height (and fire intensity), for each forest vegetation class, is shown.

**Table A15.2: Damage level of forest typologies as a function of fire intensity and forest vegetation class**

Forest vegetation class	Scorch height (m)				
	<1	1-2.5	2.5-3.5	3.5-4.5	>4.5
A	0.10	0.15	0.30	0.60	0.90*
B	0.08	0.20	0.30	0.80	0.90
C	0.10	0.25	0.50	0.80	0.90
D	0.08	0.30	0.55	0.85	0.95
E	0.05	0.15	0.40	0.65	0.90*
F	0.05	0.20	0.35	0.60	0.95
G	0.10	0.30	0.60	0.80	0.95
H	0.30	0.70	0.80	0.90	1.00
I	0.25	0.40	0.70	0.90*	1.00*

\* values not included in Bovio (2007); they have been assumed based on the damage levels assigned to the other forest vegetation classes for the corresponding scorch height categories

### A15.2 Activity data

The activity data needed to estimate the annual loss (burned) biomass caused by forest fires are:

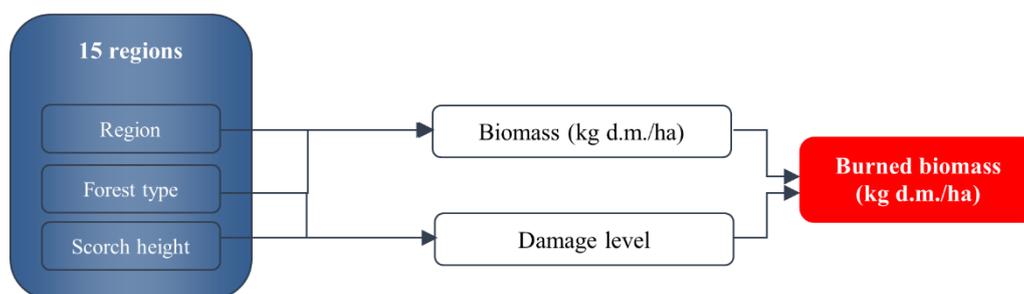
- year,
- burned area [ha]
- forest typology (27 NFI typologies) to assess the available combustion fuel and the combustion factor
- mean scorch height [m] to assess the combustion factor

A detailed database, annually provided by Carabinieri Force, has been used; the database collects data, from 2008 onward, related to any fire event occurred in 15 administrative Italian regions<sup>117</sup> (the 5 autonomous regions are not included), reporting, for each fire event, the following information:

- year,
- administrative region name
- burned area [ha]
- forest typology (27 classes in line with the NFI nomenclature)
- scorch height [m]
- fire's type (crown, surface or ground fire)

The database was checked in order to select only the observations with known scorch height (and corresponding damage level), and the assignment of the fire event to a forest category that does exist in the corresponding region according to the NFI<sup>118</sup>. For these observations, the burned biomass per hectare is estimated according to the logical pathway summarised in Figure A15.1.

<sup>118</sup> It is possible that some forest categories have been erroneously assigned to a specific administrative region because of problems in the forest identification on the field (e.g. due to the important damage caused by the fire event).



**Figure A15.1: Logical pathway to estimate the burned biomass on hectare basis caused by forest fires**

Data and information on fire occurrences in the 5 remaining autonomous regions are collected at regional level, with different level of disaggregation and details (for example, in Sardinia region, the amount of biomass burned is reported instead of the scorch height).

For the period 1990-2007, national statistics on areas affected by fire per region and aggregated forest types are available for (ISTAT, several years [a]). The aggregated forest types are high forest (conifers, broadleaves, mixed) and coppice (simple, compound and degraded).

Therefore, the data used in the estimation process may be subdivided into the following groups with similar characteristics:

- a. time series from 2008 onward for the 15 Regions: data related to burned area, divided into different forest types, scorch height and fire's type;
- b. time series from 2008 onward for the 5 autonomous regions/provinces: data related to burned area;
- c. time series from 1990 to 2007 for the 20 Italian regions: data related to burned area.

### **A15.3 Methodological issues**

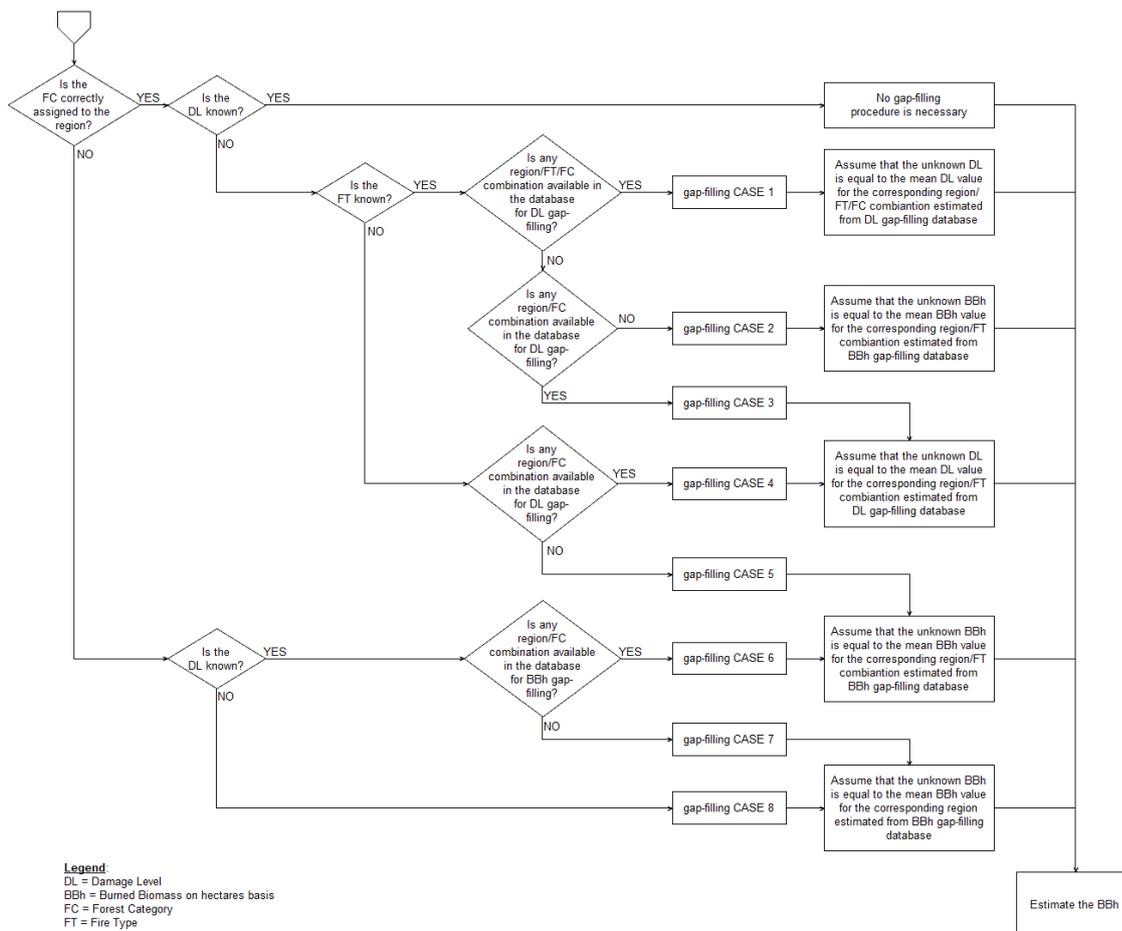
Based on three different datasets identified in the previous section A15.2, different approaches and assumptions have been followed to estimate non-CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from fires.

#### *a. Time series from 2008 onward for the 15 Regions*

The estimation of non CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from fires in the 15 regions has been carried out on the basis of the approach developed by Bovio (Bovio, 2007). The burnt biomass has been assessed, for each fire event, based on the damage level (assessed through the scorch height) and the forest typologies affected by fire. These two elements allow an assessment of the fraction of biomass burnt in a fire event.

In case of some data missing, record by record, a gap filling procedure has been specifically applied according to the causes of the missing or unreliable data. The main causes are:

1. Scorch height data missing (unknown damage level)
  2. No volume is associated with the record – this is due to the probable misclassification of the forest type by the surveyors, which have attributed a forest type that is not present in the region, thus no data from NFI can be attributed (unknown damage level)
  3. Scorch height and volume missing: In case information on both issues is missing (unknown damage level)
- For these fire events, the gap-filling procedure follows a logical framework shown in the Figure A15.2.



**Figure A15.2: Workflow of gap-filling procedure**

In summary, it is not possible to directly calculate the burnt biomass if:

- the damage level (which is derived from the flame height) is missing,
- the forest category burned by a fire event is not correctly assigned to a specific region.

When these issues occur singularly or simultaneously, damage level or burnt biomass per hectare are assigned on the basis of the corresponding mean values estimated from the full dataset for the period 2008-2016 considering the region/forest category/fire type parameters (or their combination), when available. This choice, i.e., use of 2008-2016 data to deduce average values, estimation is due to the fact that:

- the year 2017 was not included in the dataset since the 2017 was not representative; in fact it was characterised by a extremely dry summer period, in which the overall surface covered by fires was anomalous compared to the past (on average +263% over the period 1990-2016) and in which the damage caused by the fires themselves was significantly more important than in the previous period (2008-2016);
- a possible annual extension of this period from 2008 to the last reported year constantly affects the gap-filling procedure causing annually recalculations of the relative GHG emissions along the whole time-series.

Finally, it has to be noted that the average values, instead of the maximum average ones, have been applied to implement the gap-filling procedure, addressing the 2019 UNFCCC review process's recommendation. Finally, the total burnt biomass is estimated multiplying the burned (lost) biomass per hectare by the burned area of the corresponding fire event.

#### *b. Time series from 2008 onward for the 5 autonomous regions/provinces*

The emissions from fires have been estimated on the basis of the average values assessed for the 15 regions from 2008 on. In particular the burnt biomass per hectare for fires has been estimated by applying the above described gap filling procedure. The implementation consists in the following:

- clustering the 15 regions (those considered in the full dataset 208-2016) into three groups with similar climatic conditions and forest types (Northern, Central and Southern Italy),
- estimating, for each cluster, the burnt biomass per hectare as the mean of burnt volume per hectare of the related regions,

- C. classifying the 5 autonomous regions on the basis of the clusters identified at step A,
- D. assigning to each of the 5 autonomous regions the burnt biomass per hectare of the corresponding cluster estimated at step B.

Finally, the total burned biomass is estimated multiplying the estimated burned (lost) biomass per hectare by the total annual burned area for each year of the time-series (1990-2019), a datum that is available from ISTAT (several years [a]).

*c. Time series from 1990 to 2007 for the 20 Italian regions*

The emissions from fires for the period 1990-2007 for the 20 Italian regions have been estimated on the basis of the average values computed among 2008 and 2016, taking into account the fire's type and each region. The average values, instead of the maximum average values adopted in the previous submissions, have implemented to address the 2019 UNFCCC review process's recommendation. The selected value of released carbon is then multiplied by the burned area of the region in each year from 1990 to 2007.

CH<sub>4</sub>, N<sub>2</sub>O, CO and NO<sub>x</sub> have been estimated following the IPCC 2006 methodology (eq. 2.27, vol. 4, chapter 4), multiplying the C released, estimated as described above, by the emission ratios elaborated for EMEP/EEA 2009 (table 3.3, chapt. 11.B), as shown in the table A15.3; in the same table emission factors for CO, NMVOC NH<sub>3</sub> and SO<sub>2</sub> also reported.

**Table A15.3: CO, CH<sub>4</sub>, NMVOC, NO<sub>x</sub>, NH<sub>3</sub>, N<sub>2</sub>O, SO<sub>2</sub> emission factors**

<i>pollutant</i>	<i>emission factor</i>	<i>unit</i>	<i>reference</i>
CO	0.23	g X/g C	EMEP-EEA 2009
CH <sub>4</sub>	0.015	g X/g C	EMEP-EEA 2009
NMVOC	0.021	g X/g C	EMEP-EEA 2009
NO <sub>x</sub>	0.008	g X/g C	EMEP-EEA 2009
NH <sub>3</sub>	0.0018	g X/g C	EMEP-EEA 2009
N <sub>2</sub> O	0.0004	g X/g C	EMEP-EEA 2009
SO <sub>2</sub>	0.0016	g X/g C	EMEP-EEA 2009

PM10, PM2.5, dioxin and polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbon (PAH) emissions have been also estimated, by multiplying the burnt biomass (dry matter) by the emission factors reported in the table A15.4. For black carbon, emissions have been estimated considering a percentage, i.e., 42%, of the PM2.5 emissions.

**Table A15.4: PM10, PM2.5, dioxin and polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbon (PAH) emission factors**

<i>pollutant</i>	<i>emission factor</i>	<i>unit</i>	<i>reference</i>
PM10	0.011	g X/g C	EMEP-EEA 2009
PM2.5	0.009	g X/g C	EMEP-EEA 2009
Dioxin	10	ng C/kg C	EEA-EMEP 2013
PAH	8.58	g/t	EMEP-EEA 2009

