

1.A.3.b i - Road transport: Passenger cars

Short description

In sub-category *1.A.3.b i - Road transport: Passenger cars* emissions from fuel combustion in passenger cars (PCs) are reported.

Category Code	Method					AD					EF				
1.A.3.b i	T1, T3					NS, M					CS, M, D				
Key Category	SO ₂	NO _x	NH ₃	NM VOC	CO	TSP	PM ₁₀	PM _{2.5}	BC	Pb	Hg	Cd	Diox	PAH	HCB
1.A.3.b i	-/-	L/T	-/-	L/T	L/T	-/-	L/T	L/T	L/T	L/T	-/-	-/-	L/-	-/-	-

Methodology

Detailed information on the methods applied is provided in the [superordinate chapter](#).

Activity data

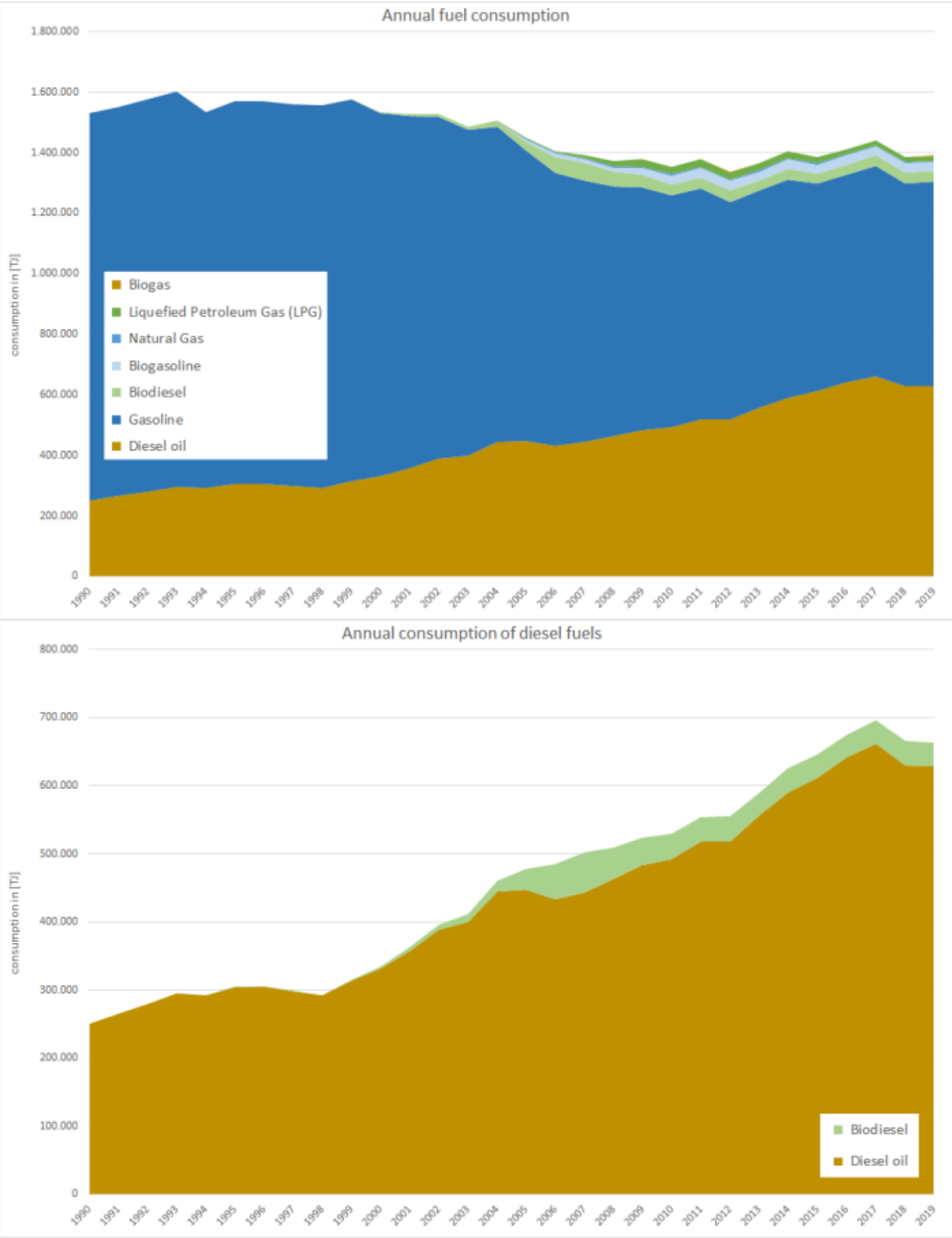
Specific consumption data for passenger cars is generated within TREMOD ¹⁾.

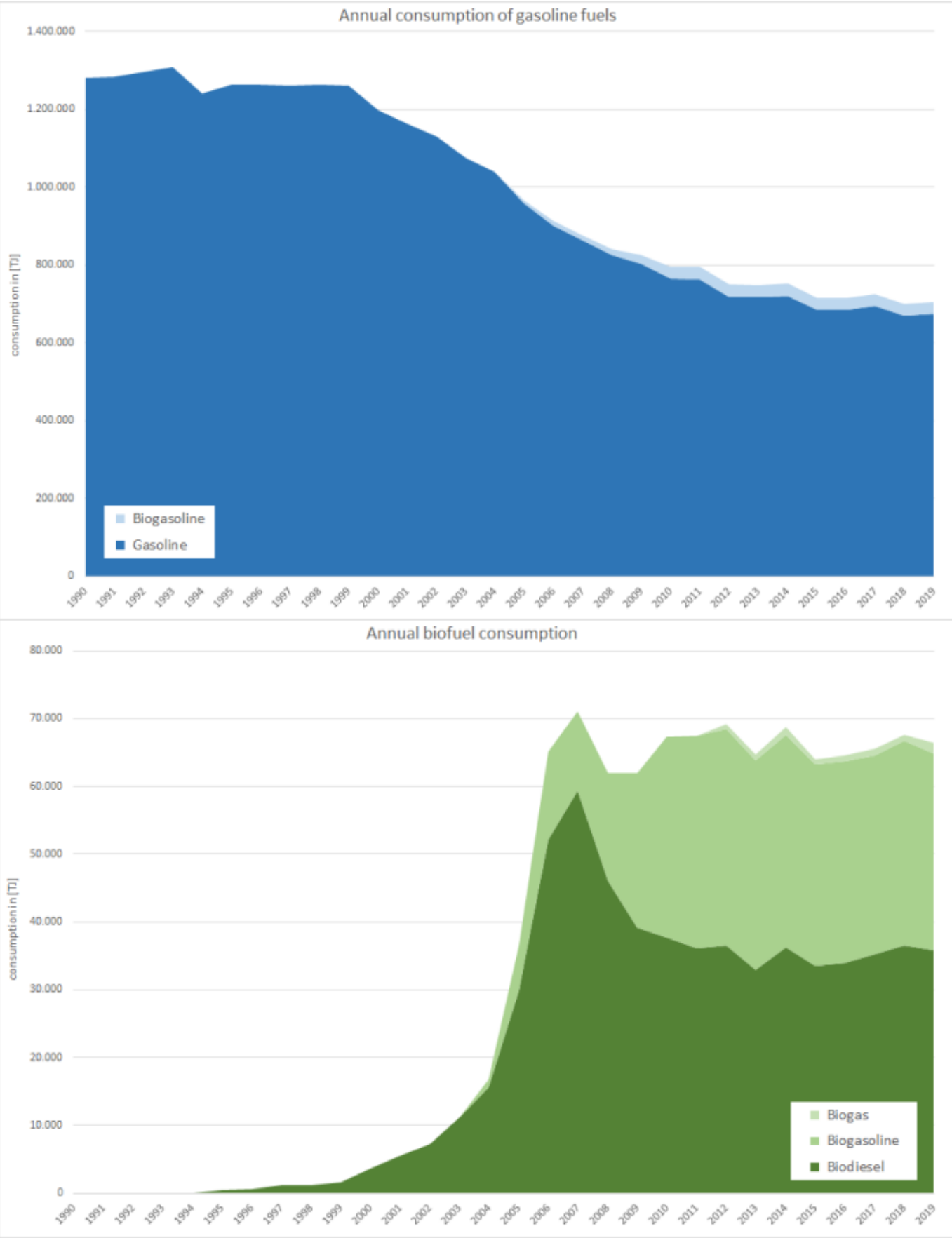
The following table gives an overview of annual amounts of the fuels consumed by passenger cars in Germany.

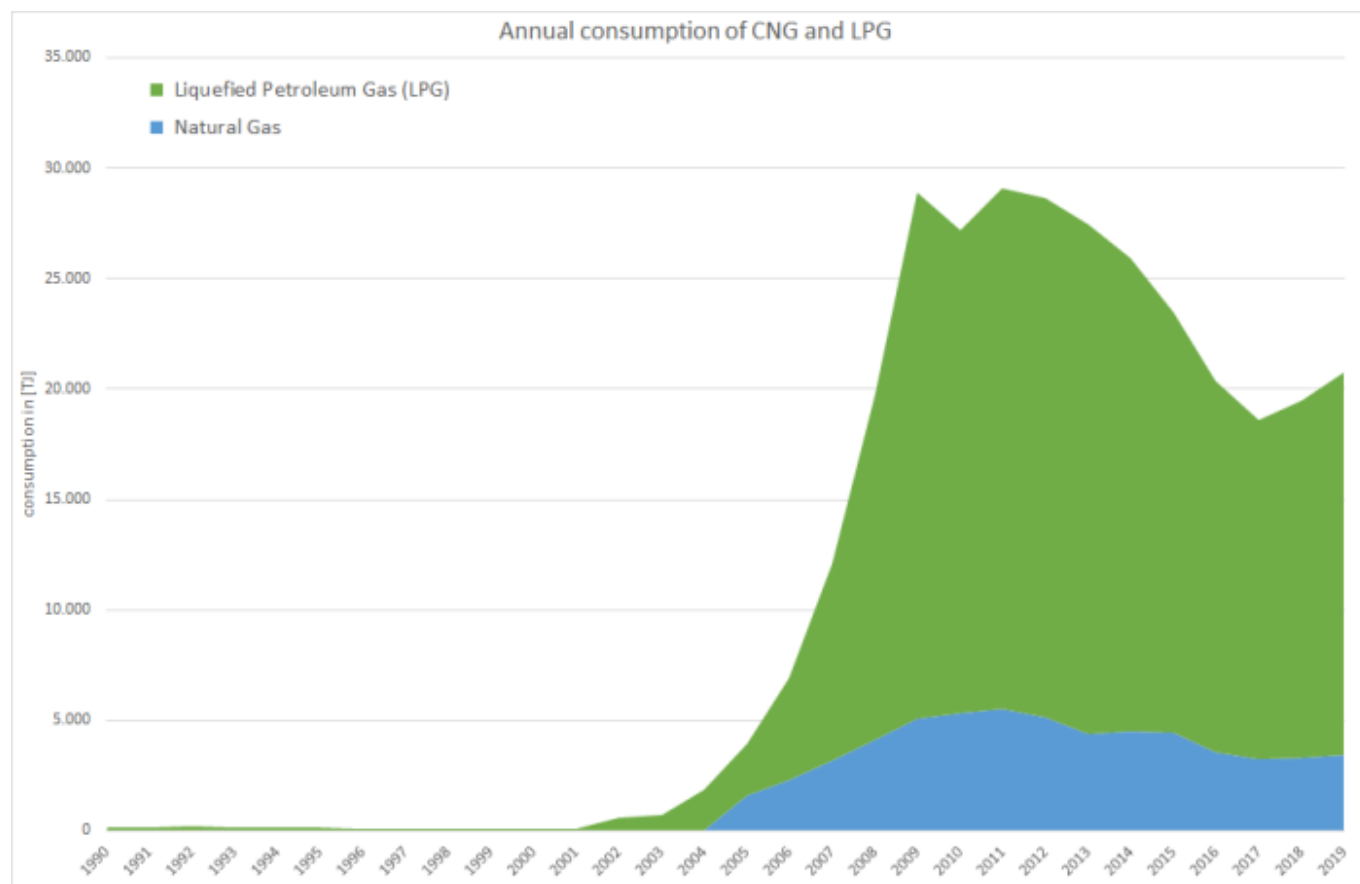
Table 1: Annual passenger car fuel consumption, in terajoule

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Diesel oil	251,081	304,573	330,544	447,843	491,684	517,460	518,642	556,149	589,801	612,084	641,130	661,289	629,483	628,079
Gasoline	1,280,592	1,263,563	1,198,941	960,365	766,348	763,397	719,091	718,322	721,165	685,429	685,497	695,259	668,949	675,555
LPG	138	138	94	2,357	21,823	23,613	23,532	23,077	21,464	18,963	16,799	15,377	16,153	17,332
CNG	0	0	0	1,604	5,351	5,494	5,140	4,380	4,483	4,476	3,590	3,247	3,332	3,412
Biodiesel	0	475	3,662	29,928	37,696	36,105	36,603	32,982	36,244	33,481	33,989	35,303	36,591	35,762
Biogasoline	0	0	0	6,597	29,609	31,292	31,866	30,792	31,361	29,728	29,775	29,312	30,078	29,136
Biogas	0	0	0	0	0	0	734	867	1,130	755	844	1,009	897	1,561
Σ 1.A.3.b i	1,531,811	1,568,749	1,533,241	1,448,694	1,352,511	1,377,360	1,335,609	1,366,568	1,405,647	1,384,915	1,411,625	1,440,795	1,385,484	1,390,837

Here, the following charts underline the ongoing shift from gasoline to diesel-powered passenger cars, that started around 1999/2000.







For information on mileage, please refer to sub-chapters on emissions from [tyre & brake wear and road abrasion](#).

Emission factors

The majority of emission factors for exhaust emissions from road transport are taken from the 'Handbook Emission Factors for Road Transport' (HBEFA, version 4.1) ²⁾ where they are provided on a tier3 level mostly and processed within the TREMOD software used by the party ³⁾.

However, it is not possible to present these highly specific tier3 values in a comprehensible way here.



With respect to the country-specific emission factors applied for particulate matter, given the circumstances during test-bench measurements, condensables are most likely included at least partly. ¹⁾

For heavy-metal (other than lead from leaded gasoline) and PAH exhaust-emissions, default emission factors from (EMEP/EEA, 2019) ⁴⁾ have been applied. Regarding PCDD/F, a tier1 EF from (Rentz et al., 2008) ⁵⁾ is used.

Table 3: tier1 emission factors

	Pb	Cd	Hg	As	Cr	Cu	Ni	Se	Zn	B[a]P	B[b]F	B[k]F	I[1,2,3-c,d]p	PAH 1-4	PCDD/F
	[g/T]									[mg/T]				[µg/km]	
Diesel oil	0.012	0.001	0.123	0.002	0.198	0.133	0.005	0.002	0.419	498	521	275	493	1.788	
Biodiesel¹	0.013	0.001	0.142	0.003	0.228	0.153	0.005	0.003	0.483	575	601	317	569	2.062	
Gasoline fuels	0.037	0.005	0.200	0.007	0.145	0.103	0.053	0.005	0.758	96	140	69	158	464	
CNG² & biogas³	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	
LPG⁴	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	4.35	0.00	4.35	4.35	13.0	
all fuels															0.000006

¹ values differ from EFs applied for fossil diesel oil to take into account the specific NCV of biodiesel

² no specific default available from ⁶⁾; value derived from CNG powered busses

³ no specific default available from ⁷⁾; values available for CNG also applied for biogas

⁴ no specific default available from ⁸⁾; value derived from LPG powered passenger cars

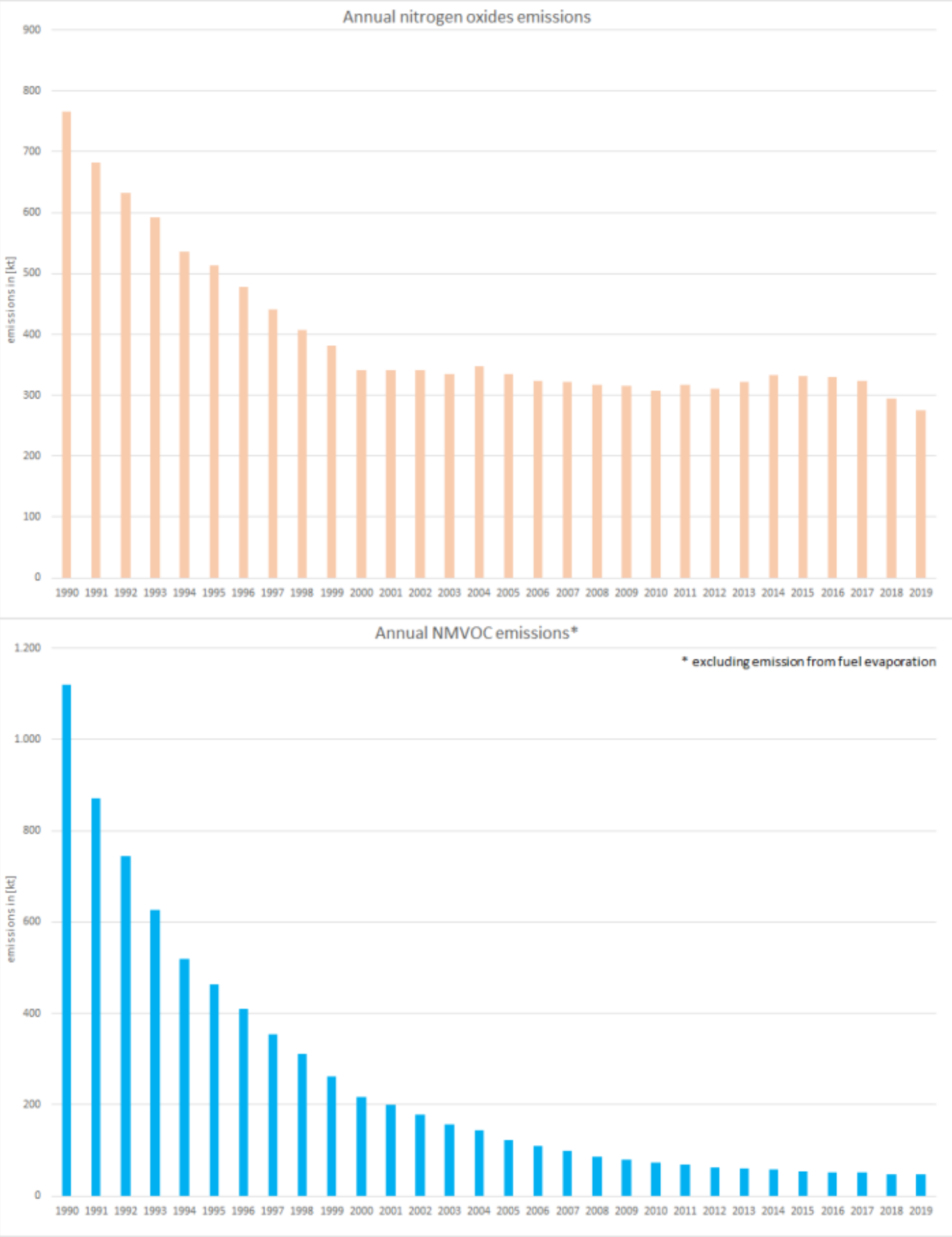
Discussion of emission trends

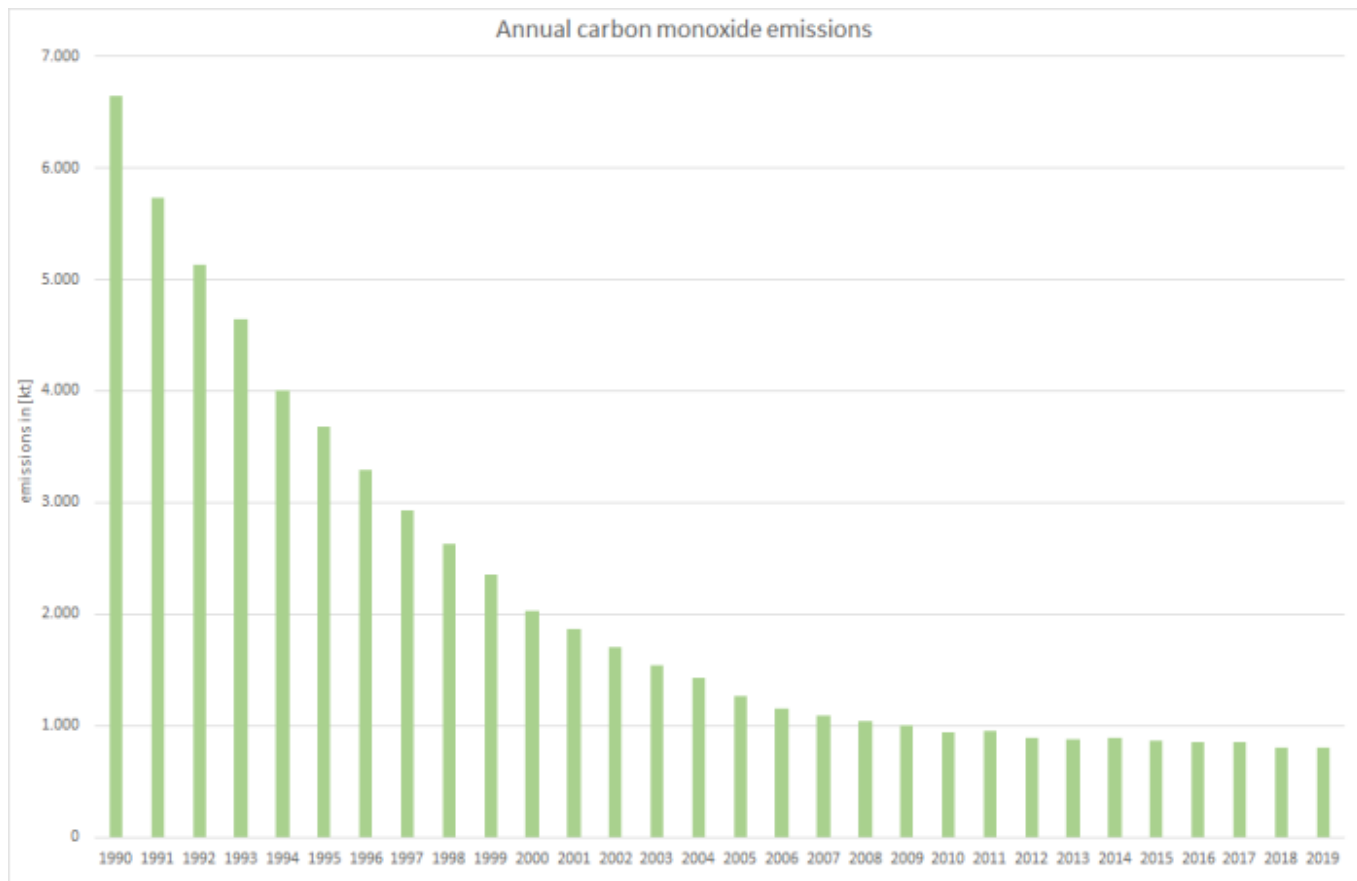
Table: Outcome of Key Category Analysis

for:	NO_x	NMVOC	CO	PM₁₀	PM_{2.5}	BC	Pb	Diox
by:	L/T	L/T	L/T	L/T	L/T	L/T	L/T	L/-

Non-methane volatile organic compounds, nitrogen oxides, and carbon monoxide

Since 1990, exhaust emissions of **nitrogen oxides**, **NMVOC**, and **carbon monoxide** have decreased sharply due to catalytic-converter use and engine improvements resulting from ongoing tightening of emissions laws and improved fuel quality.

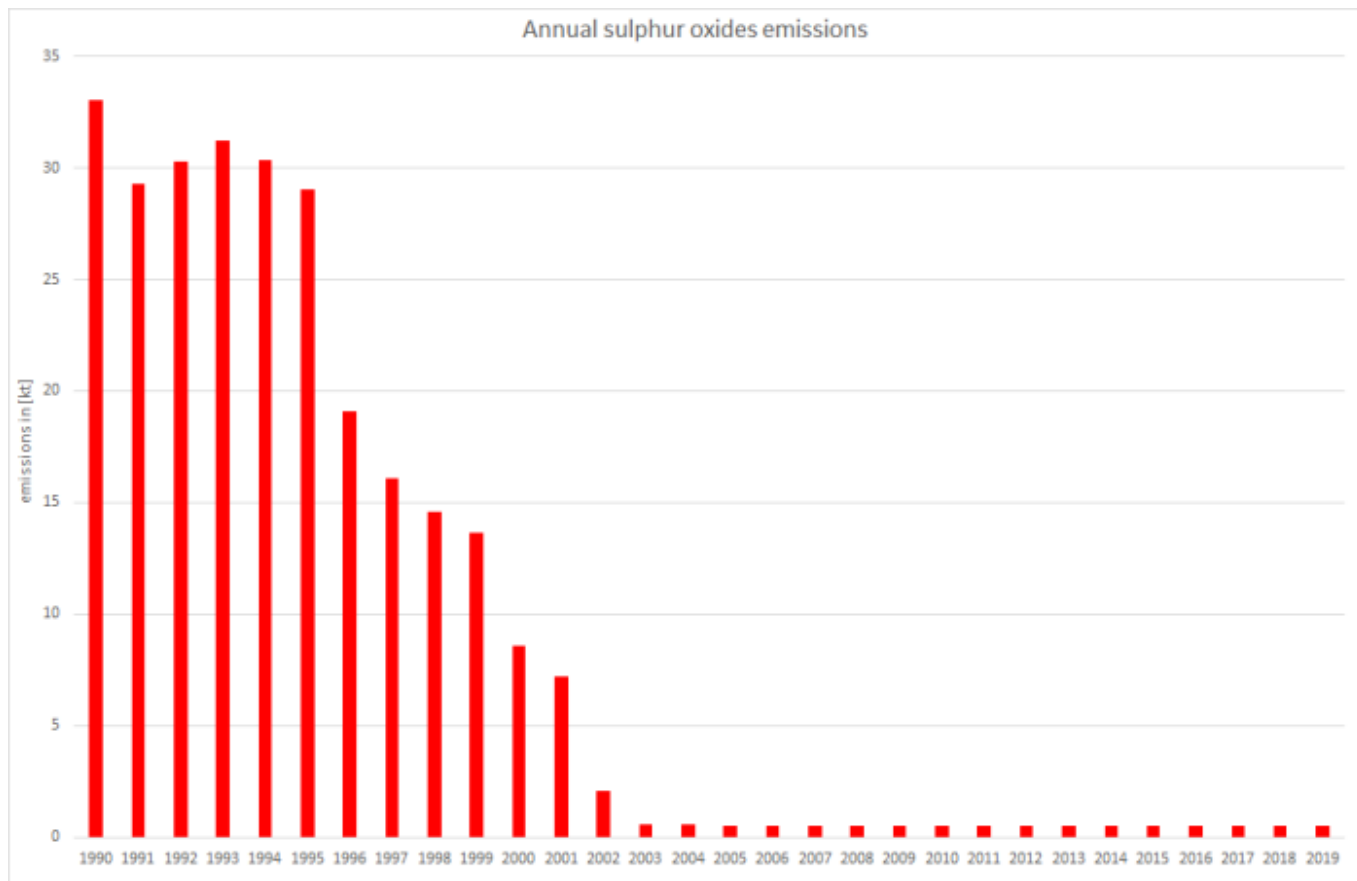




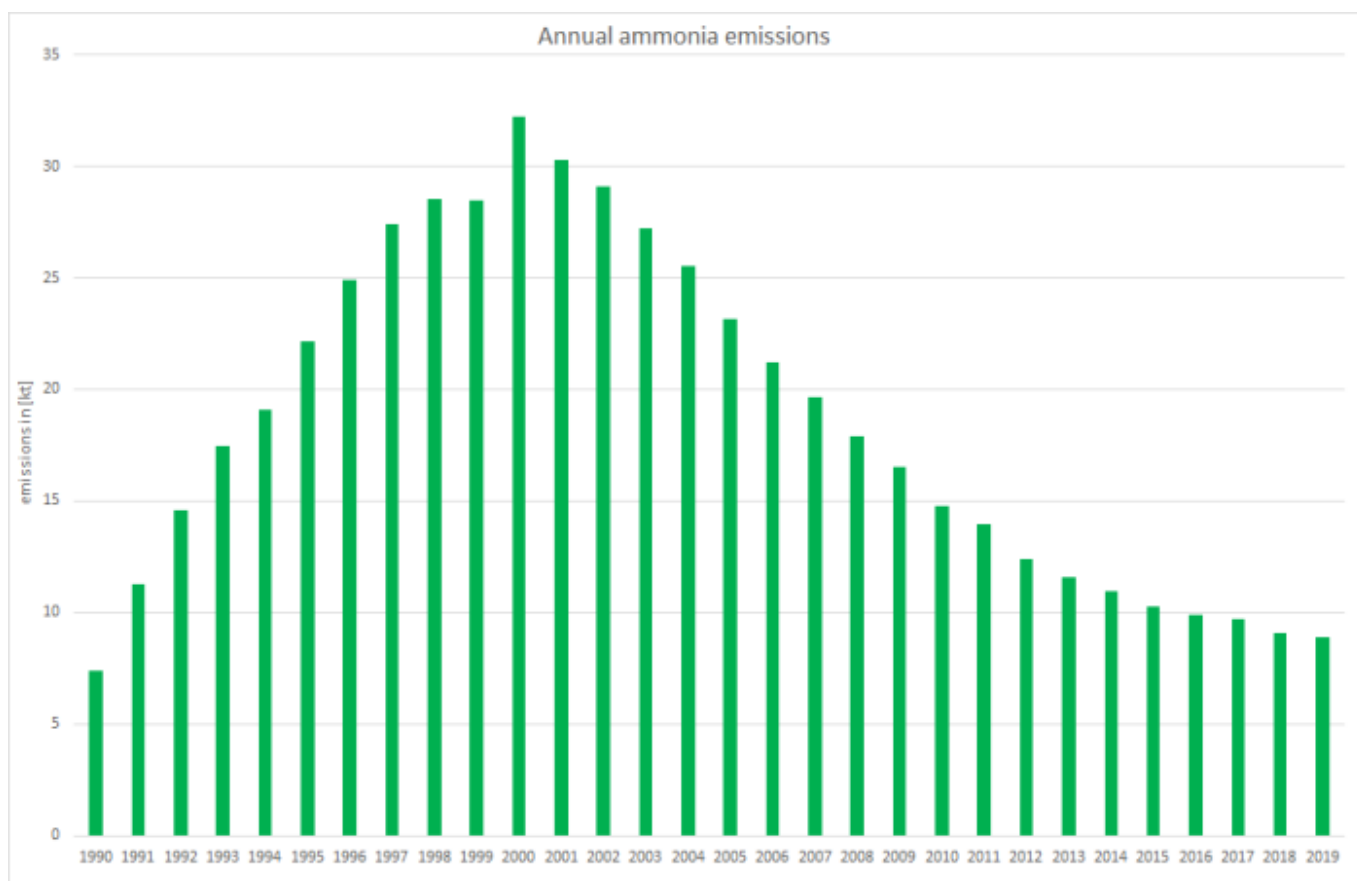
Ammonia and sulphur dioxide

As for the entire road transport sector, the trends for **sulphur dioxide** and **ammonia** exhaust emissions from passenger cars show characteristics very different from those shown above.

Here, the strong dependence on increasing fuel qualities (sulphur content) leads to an cascaded downward trend of emissions , influenced only slightly by increases in fuel consumption and mileage.



For **ammonia** emissions the increasing use of catalytic converters in gasoline driven cars in the 1990s lead to a steep increase whereas both the technical development of the converters and the ongoing shift from gasoline to diesel cars resulted in decreasing emissions in the following years.



Particulate matter & Black carbon

(from fuel combustion only; no wear/abrasion included)

Starting in the middle of the 1990s, a so-called “diesel boom” began, leading to a switch from gasoline to diesel powered passenger cars. As the newly registered diesel cars had to meet the EURO2 standard (in force since 1996/'97) with a PM limit value less than half the EURO1 value, the growing diesel consumption was overcompensated quickly by the mitigation technologies implemented due to the new EURO norm. During the following years, new EURO norms came into force. With the still ongoing “diesel boom” those norms led to a stabilisation (EURO3, 2000/'01) of emissions and to another strong decrease of PM emissions (EURO4, 2005/'06), respectively. Over-all, the increased consumption of diesel in passenger cars was overestimated by the implemented mitigation technologies. The table below shows the evolution of the limit value for particle emissions from passenger cars with diesel engines.

With this submission, Black Carbon (BC) emissions are reported for the first time. Here, EF are estimated based on as fractions of PM as provided in ⁹⁾. Due to this fuel-specific fractions, the trend of BC emissions reflects the ongoing shift from gasoline to diesel (“dieselisation”).

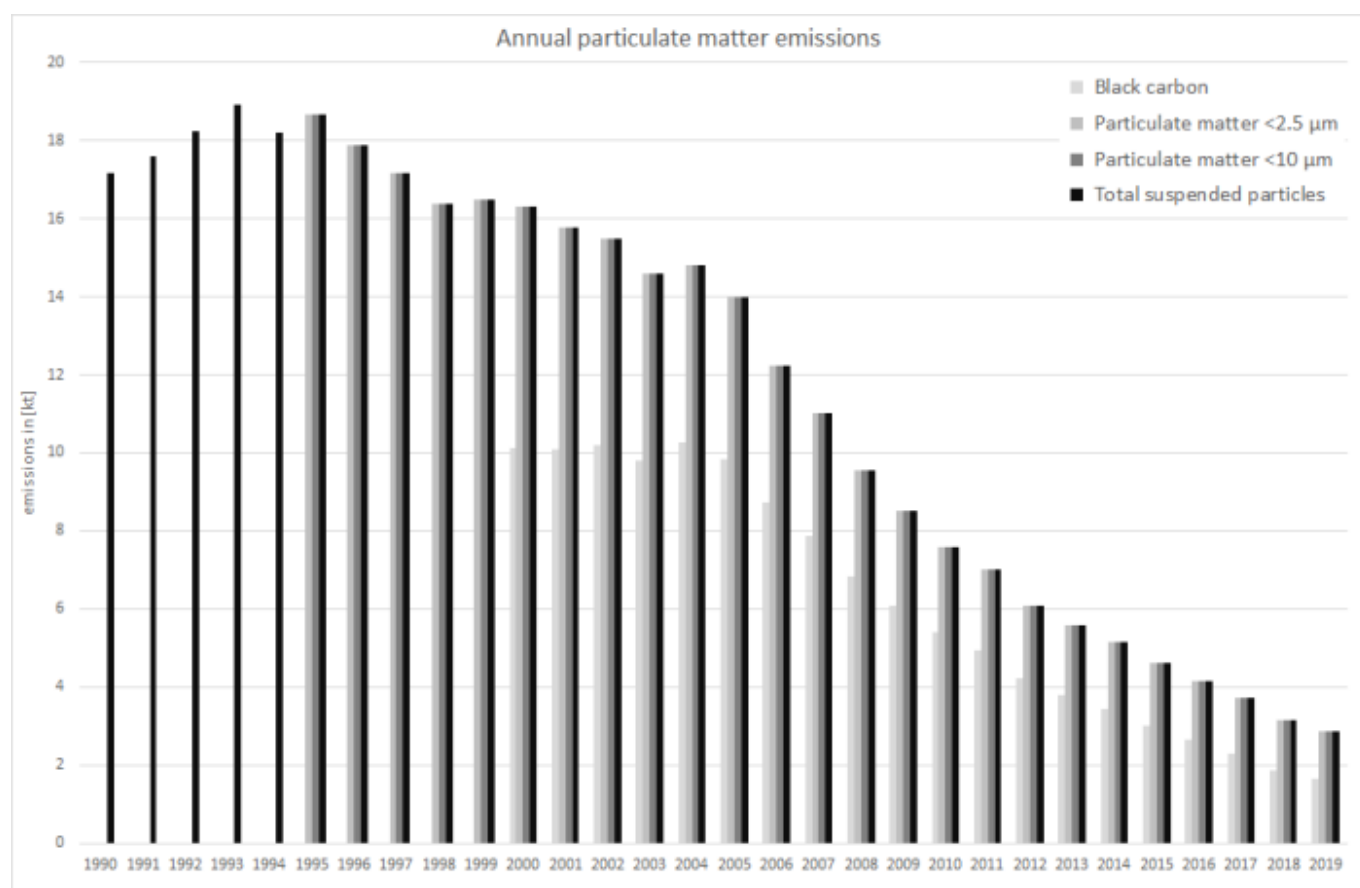


Table: EURO norms and their effect on limit values of PM emissions from diesel passenger cars

exhaust emission standard (EURO norm)	Euro 1	Euro 2	Euro 3	Euro 4	Euro 5	Euro 6
in force for type approval since:	1 Jul 1992	1 Jan 1996	1 Jan 2000	1 Jan 2005	1 Sep 2009	1 Sep 2014

relative change	0,00%	0,00%	0,00%	0,00%	0,00%	0,00%	0,00%	0,00%	0,00%	0,00%	0,00%	0,00%	0,00%	0,00%	0,00%	0,0%	19,0%
TOTAL FUEL CONSUMPTION																	
Submission 2021	1.531.811	1.568.749	1.533.241	1.448.694	1.405.704	1.390.337	1.371.079	1.377.491	1.352.511	1.377.360	1.335.609	1.366.568	1.405.647	1.384.915	1.411.625	1.440.795	1.385.484
Submission 2020	1.529.946	1.565.820	1.524.993	1.439.177	1.408.947	1.392.667	1.372.362	1.378.140	1.352.529	1.376.981	1.334.873	1.365.479	1.404.740	1.364.927	1.390.625	1.419.204	1.362.386
absolute change	1.865	2.929	8.248	9.516	-3.242	-2.330	-1.282	-649	-18	379	736	1.089	908	19.988	21.000	21.591	23.098
relative change	0,12%	0,19%	0,54%	0,66%	-0,23%	-0,17%	-0,09%	-0,05%	0,00%	0,03%	0,06%	0,08%	0,06%	1,46%	1,51%	1,52%	1,70%

Due to the variety of tier3 **emission factors** applied, it is not possible to display any changes in these data sets in a comprehensible way.



For more information on recalculated emission estimates reported for Base Year and 2018, please see the pollutant-specific recalculation tables following chapter [8.1 - Recalculations](#).

Planned improvements

Besides a routine revision of the underlying model, no specific improvements are planned.

FAQs

^{1), 3)} Knörr et al. (2020a): Knörr, W., Heidt, C., Gores, S., & Bergk, F.: ifeu Institute for Energy and Environmental Research (Institut für Energie- und Umweltforschung Heidelberg gGmbH, ifeu): Fortschreibung des Daten- und Rechenmodells: Energieverbrauch und Schadstoffemissionen des motorisierten Verkehrs in Deutschland 1960-2035, sowie TREMOD, im Auftrag des Umweltbundesamtes, Heidelberg & Berlin, 2020.

²⁾ Keller et al. (2017): Keller, M., Hausberger, S., Matzer, C., Wüthrich, P., & Notter, B.: Handbook Emission Factors for Road Transport, version 4.1 (Handbuch Emissionsfaktoren des Straßenverkehrs 4.1) URL: <http://www.hbefa.net/e/index.html> - Dokumentation, Bern, 2017.

^{4), 6), 7), 8), 9)} EMEP/EEA, 2019: EMEP/EEA air pollutant emission inventory guidebook 2019; <https://www.eea.europa.eu/publications/emep-eea-guidebook-2019/part-b-sectoral-guidance-chapters/1-energy/1-a-combustion/1-a-3-b-i/view>; Copenhagen, 2019.

⁵⁾ Rentz et al., 2008: Nationaler Durchführungsplan unter dem Stockholmer Abkommen zu persistenten organischen Schadstoffen (POPs), im Auftrag des Umweltbundesamtes, FKZ 205 67 444, UBA Texte | 01/2008, January 2008 - URL:

<http://www.umweltbundesamt.de/en/publikationen/nationaler-durchfuehrungsplan-unter-stockholmer>

¹⁾ During test-bench measurements, temperatures are likely to be significantly higher than under real-world conditions, thus reducing condensation. On the contrary, smaller dilution (higher number of primary particles acting as condensation germs) together with higher pressures increase the likeliness of condensation. So over-all condensables are very likely to occur but different to real-world conditions.