2.B.10.a - Other Chemicals

Short description

In sub-category *2.B.10.a - Other Chemicals*, emissions from the production of organic chemicals,sulphuric acid, carbon black, fertilizers and from the chlor-alkali industry are reported. Relevant pollutants are NMVOC, CO, PCDD/F, SO_x, NH_3, $PM_{2.5}$, PM_{10}, TSP and Hg.

Table 1: Overview of emission sources covered

Emission sources	Pollutants	Method	AD	EF	Key Category
Large Volume Organic chemicals	NMVOC (PCDD/F only for Ethylene Dichloride)	T2	NS	CS	
Carbon Black	CO, SO_2, TSP, PM_{10}, $PM_{2.5}$	T2	NS	D, CS	
Fertilizers	TSP, PM_{10}, $PM_{2.5}$, NH_3	T2	-	D, CS	
Sulphuric acid	SO_2	T2	NS	CS	L
Chlor-alkali industry	Hg	T3	PS	-	

T = key source by Trend **L** = key source by Level

Methods	
D	Default
RA	Reference Approach
T1	Tier 1 / Simple Methodology *
T2	Tier 2*
T3	Tier 3 / Detailed Methodology *
C	CORINAIR
CS	Country Specific
M	Model

* as described in the EMEP/CORINAIR Emission Inventory Guidebook - 2007, in the group specific chapters.

AD - Data Source for Activity Data	
NS	National Statistics
RS	Regional Statistics
IS	International Statistics
PS	Plant Specific data
AS	Associations, business organisations
Q	specific questionnaires, surveys

EF - Emission Factors	
D	Default (EMEP Guidebook)
C	Confidential
CS	Country Specific
PS	Plant Specific data

Method

Large Volume Organic chemicals

The annual production volumes for all large volume organic chemicals are extracted from national production statistics by the Federal Statistical Office [1]

These chemicals comprise:

- Acrylonitrile
- Ethylene
- Ethylbenzene

- Ethylene Dichloride
- Ethylene Oxide
- Formaldehyde (Methanal)
- Methanol
- Phthalic Anhydride
- Propene
- Styrene
- Vinyl Chloride
- Polyethylene (LD/HD)
- Polypropylene
- Polystyrene
- Polyvinyl Chloride
- Styrene Copolymeres

The emission factors for the production of organic chemicals as shown in Tables 2 and 3 are derived from best reference documents for polymers and LVOC mostly for the early years. For later years, plant-specific data on an aggregated level were used.

Table 2: national NMVOC emission factors for producing organic chemicals, in kg/t

Product	Acrylonitrile	Ethylbenzene	Ethylene	Ethylene Dichloride	Ethylene Oxide	Formaldehyde (Methanal)	Methanol	Phthalic Anhydride	Propene	Styrene	Vinyl Chloride
from 1990-1994	5	0.6	5	C	5	5	0.04	5	2.5	0.02	0.2
1995	0.07	0.02	0.4	C	0.06	0.02	0.04	0.2	0.2	0.02	0.2
1996	0.05	0.015	0.3	C	0.045	0.015	0.04	0.15	0.15	0.02	0.15
1997	0.05	0.015	0.3	C	0.045	0.015	0.04	0.15	0.15	0.02	0.15
1998	0.04	0.012	0.25	C	0.04	0.012	0.04	0.12	0.12	0.02	0.12
1999	0.04	0.012	0.25	C	0.04	0.012	0.04	0.12	0.12	0.02	0.12
from 2000	0.035	0.01	0.2	C	0.03	0.01	0.04	0.1	0.1	0.02	0.1

Table 3: national NMVOC emission factors for producing polymers, in kg/t

products	Polyethylene (PE)		Polypropylen (PP)	Polystyrene (PS)	Polyvinyl Chloride (PVC)	Styrene Copolymeres
	Low density (LD)	High density (HD)				
from 1990 to 1994	8	6	8	1	0.25	5
1995	2.2	1	1	0.6	0.25	0.6
1996	1.6	0.75	0.75	0.4	0.25	0.5
1997	1.6	0.75	0.75	0.4	0.25	0.5
1998	1.3	0.6	0.6	0.32	0.25	0.4
1999	1.3	0.6	0.6	0.32	0.25	0.4
from 2000	1.1	0.5	0.5	0.27	0.14	0.3

Carbon Black

The figures for carbon black production in the new German Länder in 1990 were taken from the Statistical Yearbook (Statistisches Jahrbuch) for the Federal Republic of Germany; the figures for 1991 and 1992 were estimated, due to confidentiality requirements. The other data for carbon-black production as of 1990 were obtained from national production statistics[1].

From 2005 onwards, Germany uses activity data calculated from the CO_2 emissions of the Emission Trading System (ETS), delivered by the German emission trading authority (DEHSt), and the default CO_2 emission factor from the IPCC Guidelines 2006 for carbon black production. A comparison of the statistical data and the emission trading data leads to the conclusion, that the statistical data is most probably overestimated.

Table 4: Emission factors of carbon black in Germany, in kg/t

Pollutant	CO	SO$_2$	TSP	PM$_{10}$	PM$_{2.5}$
1990		4.80	19.16	0.28		

Pollutant	CO	SO$_2$	TSP	PM$_{10}$	PM$_{2.5}$
1991	4.60	19.01	0.28		
1992	4.40	18.50	0.27		
1993	4.20	18.00	0.26		
1994	4.00	17.50	0.25		
1995	3.75	17.00	0.25	0.23	0.12
1996	3.50	16.00	0.25	0.23	0.12
1997	3.25	15.00	0.25	0.23	0.12
1998	3.00	14.00	0.25	0.23	0.12
1999	2.90	13.40	0.25	0.23	0.12
2000	2.80	12.80	0.25	0.23	0.12
2001	2.70	12.54	0.25	0.23	0.12
2002	2.65	12.28	0.25	0.23	0.12
2003	2.60	12.00	0.25	0.23	0.12
2004	2.55	11.70	0.25	0.23	0.12
2005	2.50	11.50	0.25	0.23	0.12
2006	2.50	11.20	0.24	0.22	0.12
2007	2.50	10.90	0.23	0.21	0.11
2008	2.50	10.60	0.22	0.20	0.11
2009	2.50	10.30	0.21	0.19	0.10
from 2010	2.50	10.00	0.20	0.18	0.10

Fertilizers

The activity data is also extracted from national production statistics by the Federal Statistical Office[1] and consist of mono and multicomponent fertilizers.

The emission factors are country specific (Jörß et al. 2006)[2] and are presented in the following table.

Table 5: Emission factors of fertilizers in Germany, in kg/t

Product			Fertilizers		Nitrogenous Fertilizers
Pollutant	PM$_{10}$	PM$_{2.5}$	TSP	NH$_3$	TSP
from 1990 to 1994			2	5	1
1995	0.12	0.08	0.17	5	1
1996	0.12	0.08	0.17	5	1
1997	0.12	0.08	0.17	5	1
1998	0.12	0.08	0.17	5	1
1999	0.12	0.08	0.17	5	1
from 2000	0.12	0.08	0.17	5	1

Sulphuric acid

The activity data for sulphuric acid production is from the Federal Statistical Office of Germany.

For the SO$_x$ EF for sulphuric acid production a survey was made in the year 2019. The producers were directly asked by the association. Based on the data from the producers, new EFs for the years 2017 and 2018 were developed. All emissions were measured by the producers respectively or limit values are specified in the permit decision for the installation. The EF is weighted by the amount of H$_2$SO$_4$ produced. Big producers have more influence on the EF than small producers. The EF is smaller than the Default-EF. This is due to significant process optimizations and technology improvements since 1990.

Chlor-alkali industry

For the mercury losses from the Chlor-alkali industry, Germany uses the yearly published data from OSPAR on the plant specific production capacity for the AD and the plant specific emissions from the chlor-alkali industry. Because of the BAT (best available technique) conclusion for the Chlor-alkali industry, the production has stopped in 2017. However, emissions of Hg are still occurring, because two plants still produce alcoholates and dithionite and are not regulated by the BAT

conclusions for Chlor-alkali production. In both plants Chlor-alkali was also produced. The Hg-emissions from the production of dithionite and alcoholates were so far reported together with the Hg-emissions from Chlor-alkali production. The OSPAR convention does not request the Hg-emissions from dithionite and alcoholate production to be reported, so CEFIC does no longer report these emissions to OSPAR.

Recalculations

For SO_2 emissions from sulphuric acid production, and for Hg emissions from chlor-alkali industry, the emissions of the two last years are always actualized. This is because the emissions of the last year are always a prediction, as the final emissions are still not published by the time of reporting.

From Submission 2022 the SO_2 emissions from titanium dioxide production are no longer confidential and are therefore reallocated to category 2.B.6. Thus, the SO_2 emissions reported here are only from the sulphuric acid production (See **Table 1**)

Table 1: SO_2 emission from sulphuric acid production

Year	SO₂ emissions (in kt)
1990	46238
1991	15220
1992	15087
1993	14121
1994	13624
1995	17408
1996	15928
1997	17172
1998	18772
1999	19488
2000	19604
2001	18637
2002	18733
2003	19604
2004	21670
2005	22400
2006	22624
2007	21571
2008	20402
2009	16690
2010	16582
2011	16347
2012	15036
2013	13630
2014	10343
2015	9025
2016	7369
2017	6925
2018	6946
2019	6946
2020	6946

For specific **information on recalculated emission estimates for Base Year and 2020**, please see the pollutant specific recalculation tables following chapter 8.1 - Recalculations.

Planned improvements

For the mercury losses from the Chlor-alkali industry, because of the BAT conclusion for the Chlor-alkali industry the production has stopped in 2017. However, emissions of Hg are still ocurring, because two plants are still producing alcoholates and dithionite and were so far reported by CEFIC to OSPAR based on BAT regulation for Chlor-alkali production. Since the OSPAR convention does not request to report the Hg-emissions from dithionite and alcoholate production, CEFIC no longer reports these emissions to OSPAR. Germany is trying to ensure reporting of Hg emissions for that sources.

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