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# CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions from Fuel Combustion: Important guidance from IRES

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# The Concept of Production

- 5.10: *Primary production is the capture or extraction of fuels or energy... within the national territory in a form suitable for use. Inert matter removed from the extracted fuels and quantities reinjected, flared or vented are not included.*

- Data for oil and gas production should be NET of reinjected, flared and vented quantities
- (These quantities are otherwise important for emissions inventories, just not included here)



# Scope of Emissions Statistics

- IRES 2.18: data on the production of energy outside energy industries is collected and included in total energy production.
- Result: industrial waste burnt for energy, oil products refined and distributed informally etc should all be included in energy data (and thus in emissions from fuel combustion)
- Emissions data should be on the territory (not residence) principle, just like energy statistics. Important difference for many countries

# Importance of energy vs non-energy

- Non-energy use of fuels means that there are no emissions from combustion of these fuels (b/c there is no combustion).
- For most fuels (diesel, fuel oil), industrial deliveries normally a good proxy for consumption (combustion) in an energy balance.
- However: for many other products (naphtha, natural gas, petroleum coke) the energy/non-energy split shouldn't be assumed: further demand-side information is required
- **How to estimate this?**
  - Gas delivered to iron&steel industry likely combusted, but gas delivered to chemical and petrochemical industry could be both
  - Many products can be assumed to be most/all energy use (eg. gasoline) or non-energy use (e.g. lubricants) if further information is not available.

# Example: Senegal

## Naphtha

Naphtha (NP); Metric tons, thousand (WSR)		1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
NP01	Production	0	17	46	37	0	3
NP013	From refineries	0	17	46	37	0	3
NPGA	Total energy supply	0	17	46	37	0	3
NPSD	Statistical differences	0	0	0	0	0	0
NP08	Transformation	0	17	46	37	0	3
<b>NP088</b>	<b>Transformation in electricity plants</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>

- Despite over 95% of naphtha being consumed for non-energy purposes globally, all of Senegal's use is shown in the UN DB as transformation in electricity plants from 2000 to 2004 (which will affect emission calculations).
- Why?
  - Product misclassification?
  - Use/Consumption misclassification?
  - True?

# Importance of Domestic /International

- Quantities of fuel used by ships and planes making international voyages are excluded from a country's energy supply under IRES methodology. This then agrees with IPCC emissions inventories
- **How to estimate this?**
  - For flights for **most** countries, the **majority** of jet kerosene will be used for international aviation (exceptions: large countries like the USA, Indonesia, Brazil...)
  - The split can be estimated by looking at deliveries to different companies or airports, or from airlines' own route information. (Note Russia estimates a 50/50 split...)
  - For shipping, analysis of port of call information (i.e. administrative data) can be used to make similar estimates

# Blended biofuels

- Only the fossil component of blended gasoline or diesel should be included in the emissions from fuel combustion
- So either report these products separately as fossil and non-fossil (IEA), or provide memo items on the proportion of the total product that is of bio origin (UNSD)
- Obs: Customs data based on HS not very helpful to determine the bio component, since biodiesel as defined in HS can contain up to 70% of fossil diesel

# Follow International Classifications!

- Aligning product definitions with SIEC/IRES means no adjustments necessary to calculate emissions based on IPCC guidelines
  - Why? The product definitions in SIEC agree with IPCC products completely!
- Energy Balances calculated according to IRES principles can also be plugged straight into emission calculations
  - Why? Adjustments for bunkers and non-energy use are built into IRES-compliant energy balances, and are in the right unit; energy stats already follow the territory principle

# IPCC methodology

## CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions

Sector	Energy				
Category	Fuel combustion activities				
Category Code	1A <sup>(a)</sup>				
Sheet	1 of 4 (CO <sub>2</sub> , CH <sub>4</sub> and N <sub>2</sub> O from fuel combustion by source categories – Tier 1)				
	Energy consumption			CO <sub>2</sub>	
	A Consumption (Mass, Volume or Energy unit)	B Conversion Factor <sup>(b)</sup> (TJ/unit)	C Consumption (TJ)	D CO <sub>2</sub> Emission Factor (kg CO <sub>2</sub> /TJ)	E CO <sub>2</sub> Emissions (Gg CO <sub>2</sub> )
			<b>C=A*B</b>		<b>E=C*D/10<sup>6</sup></b>
<b>Liquid fuels</b>					
Crude Oil					
Orimulsion					
Natural Gas Liquids					
Motor Gasoline	10 kt (or Gg)	44.3 TJ/kt	443	73300	32.47
Aviation Gasoline					
Jet Gasoline					
Jet Kerosene					
Other Kerosene					

From basic energy stats

From energy balances  
(more straightforward to calculate emissions)

# Importance of specific NCVs

	Coal (kt)	Default NCV	Specific NCVs	Coal (TJ) default NCV	Coal (TJ) specific NCV	Default emission factor for coal (t CO <sub>2</sub> /TJ)	CO <sub>2</sub> (tons) default NCV	CO <sub>2</sub> (tons) specific NCV
2014								
Primary production	131.8	25.8	20.10	3400	2649			
Imports	29.0	25.8	23.20	748	673			
Exports	-12.4	25.8	28.20	-319	-349			
Stock changes	-0.5	25.8	20.10	-14	-11			
<b>Total energy supply</b>	<b>147.9</b>			<b>3,815</b>	<b>2,962</b>	94.6	<b>360,899</b>	<b>280,193</b>

- 29% higher CO<sub>2</sub> emission estimates by using default NCVs



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**Thank you.**

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