



# Carbon Footprint 2024

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# UA Carbon Footprint

## Project

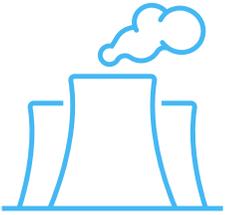
- **Map** UA carbon footprint, in house, on a yearly basis
- **Update** 2018 calculation (Ecolife)
- Gather necessary **data** & guarantee data **quality**
- **Report** & benchmark results, indicate **trends** 2018-2023
- Suggest **improvements**
- Interdisciplinary Team

## AIM

- **Risk MGMT**: monitor & understand trends
- Raise **Awareness** on impact of activities
- Support **policy proposals**
  - UA Climate plan
  - International travel policy
  - Strategic patrimonium management
  - ...
- **Simulate** policy impacts in the (near) future

# Scope

## Impact activities from Education - Research - Services



**All Greenhouse gases**  
**Scope 1, 2 & 3**



**UA activities on campus**

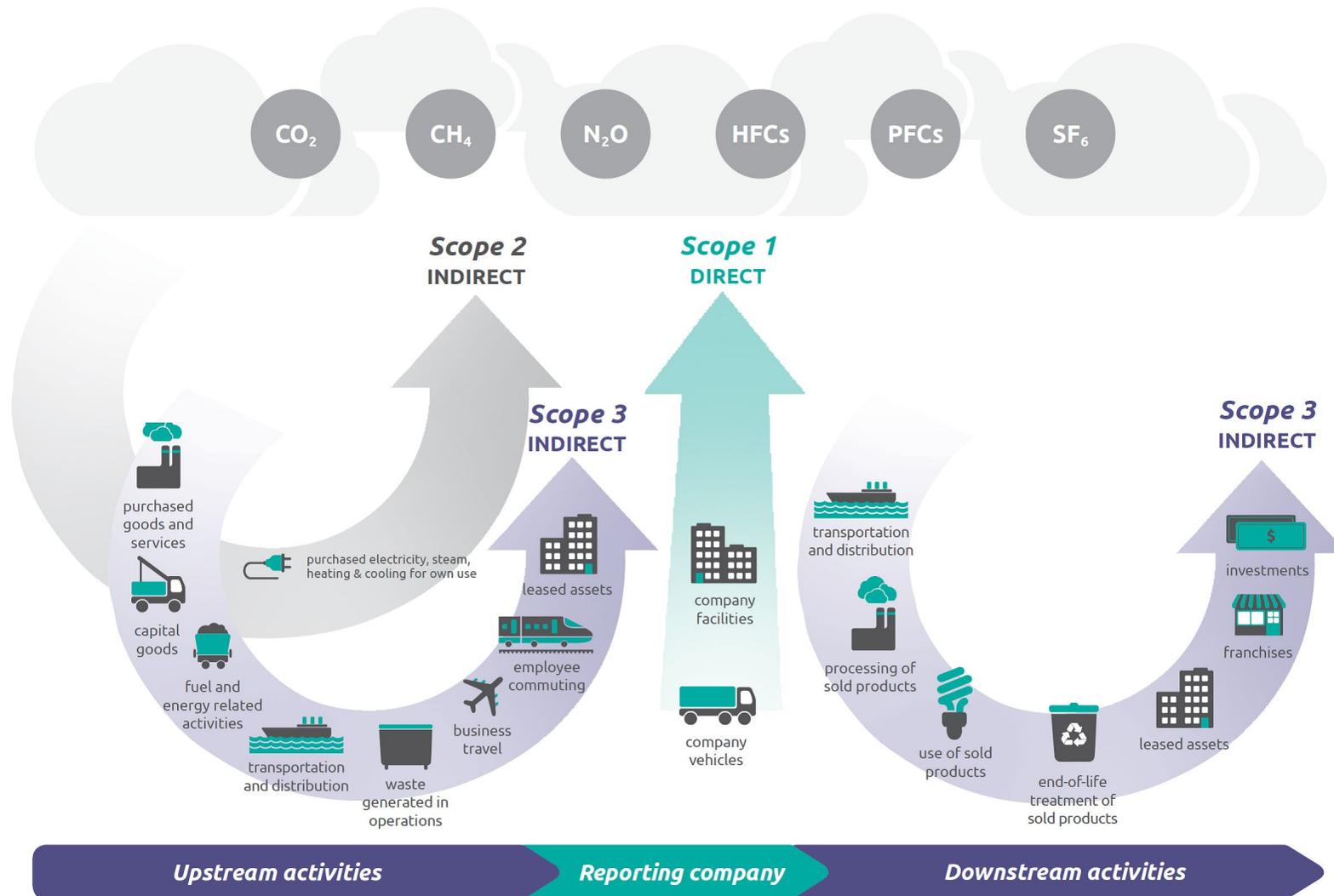
Energy use buildings  
Purchased goods & services  
Waste generated  
Food Served by Komida  
...



**AND off campus (up- and downstream)**

Commutes & Transport to and from UA-campuses  
International travel staff & students  
Paper Use by students (Universitas)  
...

# 3 Scopes GHG Protocol



# Scope: responsible and/or dependable

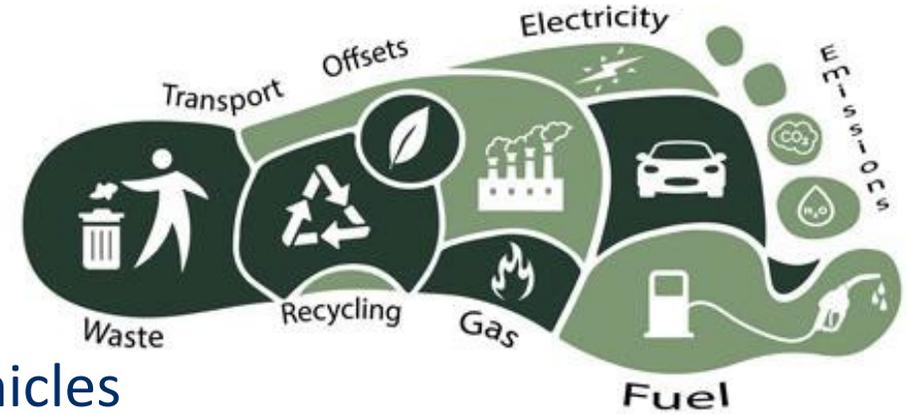
## INCLUDED

- 5 sites CDE - CGB - CMI - CST - CMU (50%)
- The Beacon /The Brain Academy (m<sup>2</sup> only)
- Activities & Buildings for Research + Education + Services
- KOMIDA + KOVENTA (for UA)
- Internationaal reizen staff + students (IN & OUT) ASWU, Erasmus, thesis, ...
- Waste generated on site
- Paper use students via Universitas

## NOT INCLUDED

- ~Spin offs: AMS - BlueApp
- Student housing to XIOR
- KOVENTA (exterior)
- Waterconsumption
- International travel: short travels/excursions

# Method: impact categories UA



- **Energy:** natural gas, electricity\*, heating fuel, fuel vehicles

- **Non-energy:** leakage of cooling agents

- ★ **Inputs:** purchased goods & services

e.g. Maintenance, paper, IT, Mach & equipment (< 2.500€), chemicals, lab equipment, machinery, food, financial services

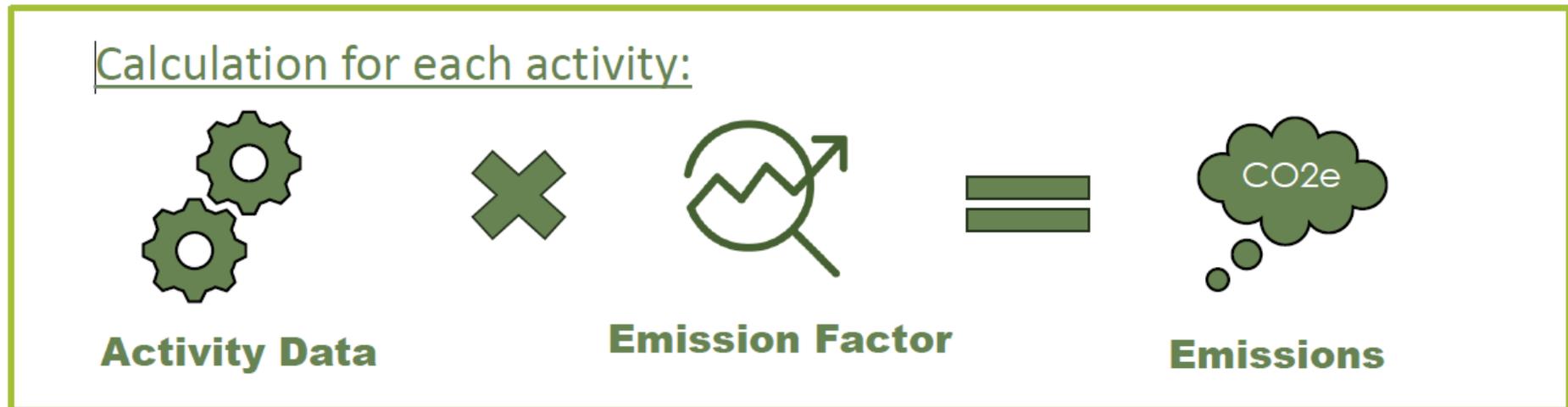
- **Packaging:** e.g. Komida

- **Direct waste:** generated on site

- **Transporting people:** staff & students, commutes & international travel

- **Capital Goods:** buildings, vehicles, ICT, Mach & equipment > 2.500€, solar panels

# Method: calculation Bilan Carbone



**Data collection by UA**



**Bilan Carbone data™ V8.9\_ENG**

# Results 2018

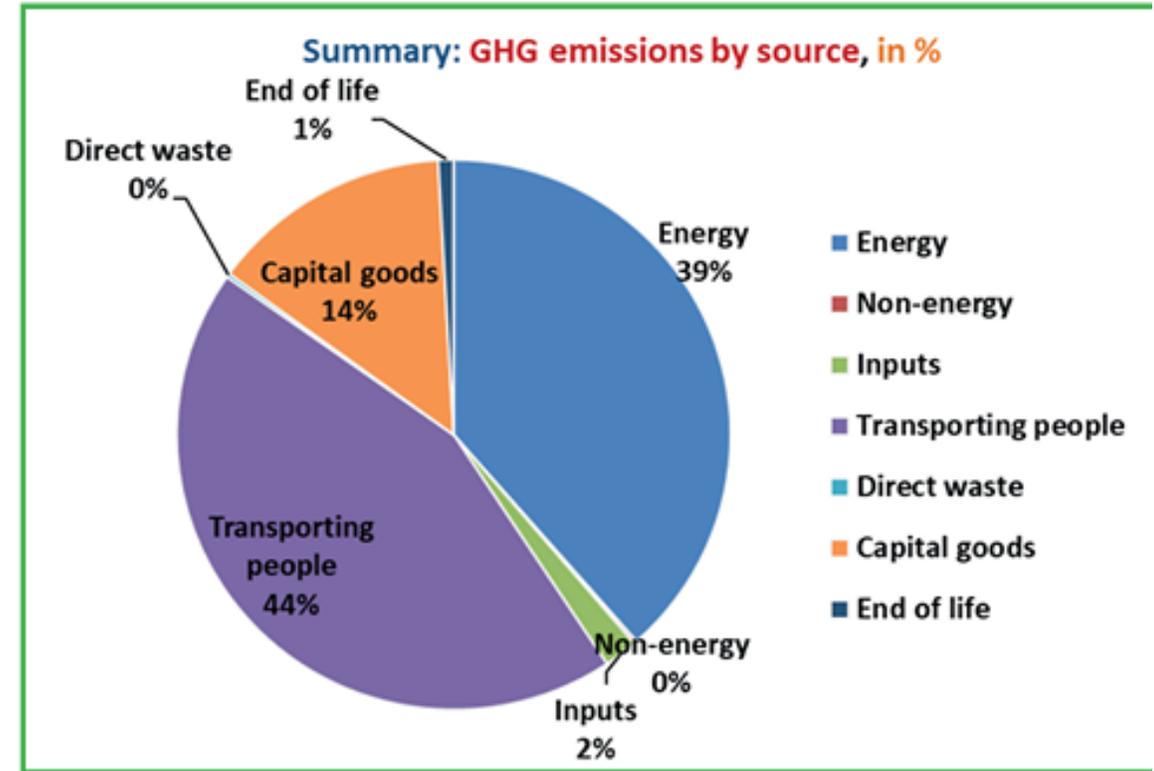
Overview	Total	
	t CO <sub>2</sub> eq	Share
Energy	16 134	39%
Non-energy	75	0%
Inputs	823	2%
Transporting people	18 457	44%
Direct waste	96	0%
Capital goods	5 923	14%
End of life	373	1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>41 882</b>	<b>100%</b>

Uncertainties	
t CO <sub>2</sub> eq	%
888	6%
20	27%
287	35%
2 665	14%
26	27%
2 189	37%
101	27%
<b>3 574</b>	<b>9%</b>

## Top 3

Energy  
Transporting people  
Capital goods

Focus on Energy & Mobility

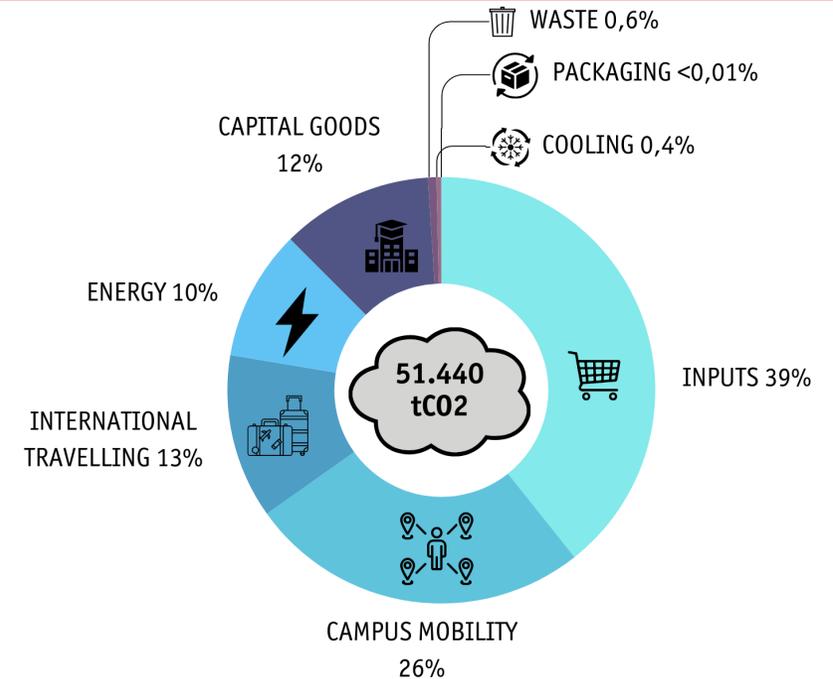


160 million km car  
2100 people in Belgium  
1,7 million trees

# Results 2024

Overview	Total		Uncertainties	
	t CO2e	Share	t CO2e	%
Energy 1	5.065	10%	271	5%
Non-energy 1	186	0,4%	47	25%
Inputs - goods and materials	20.130	39%	8.110	43%
Future packaging	4	0,008%	1	12%
Transporting people	19.631	38%	4.498	25%
Direct wastes	326	0,6%	45	14%
Capital goods	6.098	12%	2.251	36%
	<b>51.440</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>15.223</b>	<b>19%</b>

Share of greenhouse gas emissions per source in 2024



## Top 4

Inputs: new topic, (very) high uncertainty

Transporting people

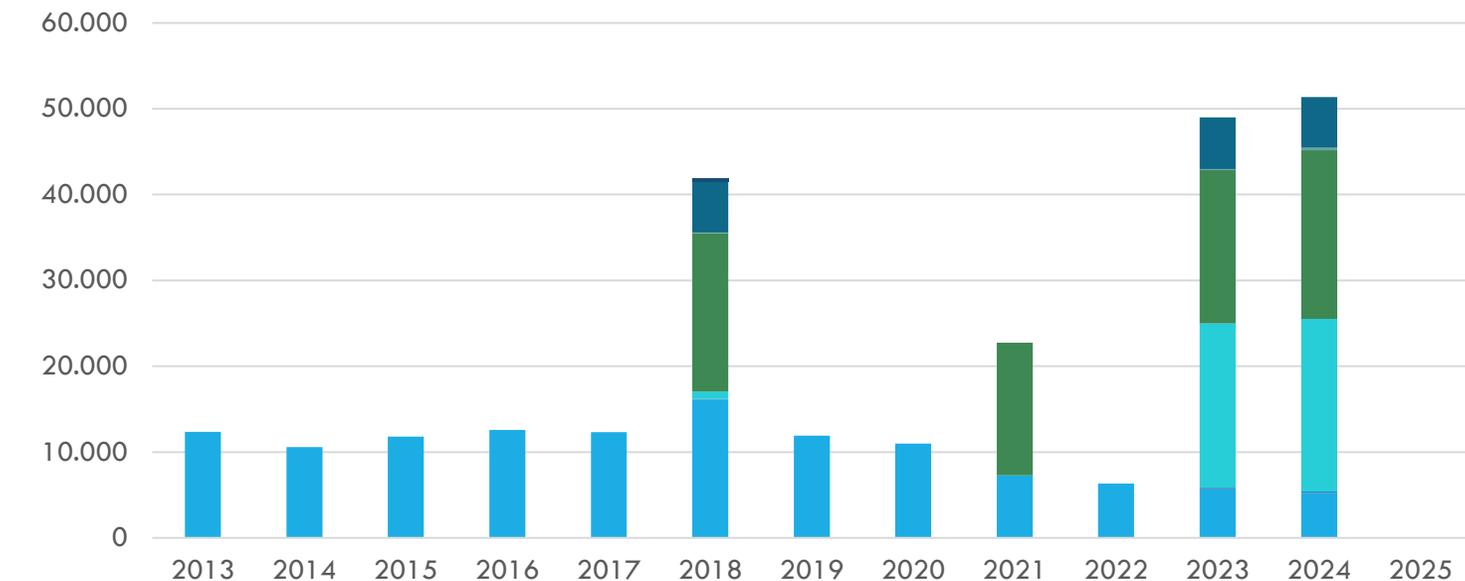
Capital goods

Energy

# UA 2018-2024

2018: base year  
 2021: Energy & mobility only  
 2023: full footprint  
 2024: intermediate year

Carbon footprint (ton CO2 eq.)



- Sum of End-of-life (tCO2e)
- Sum of Capital goods (tCO2e)
- Sum of Direct Waste (tCO2e)
- Sum of Transporting people (tCO2e)
- Sum of Packaging (tCO2e)
- Sum of Inputs (tCO2e)
- Sum of Non-Energy (tCO2e)
- Sum of Energy (tCO2e)

## Changes

- Inputs
- Mobility
- Buildings
- Energy



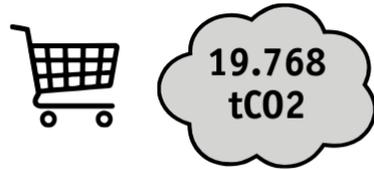
2024 vs 2023

+1.000 tCO2e AIR travel from international students added

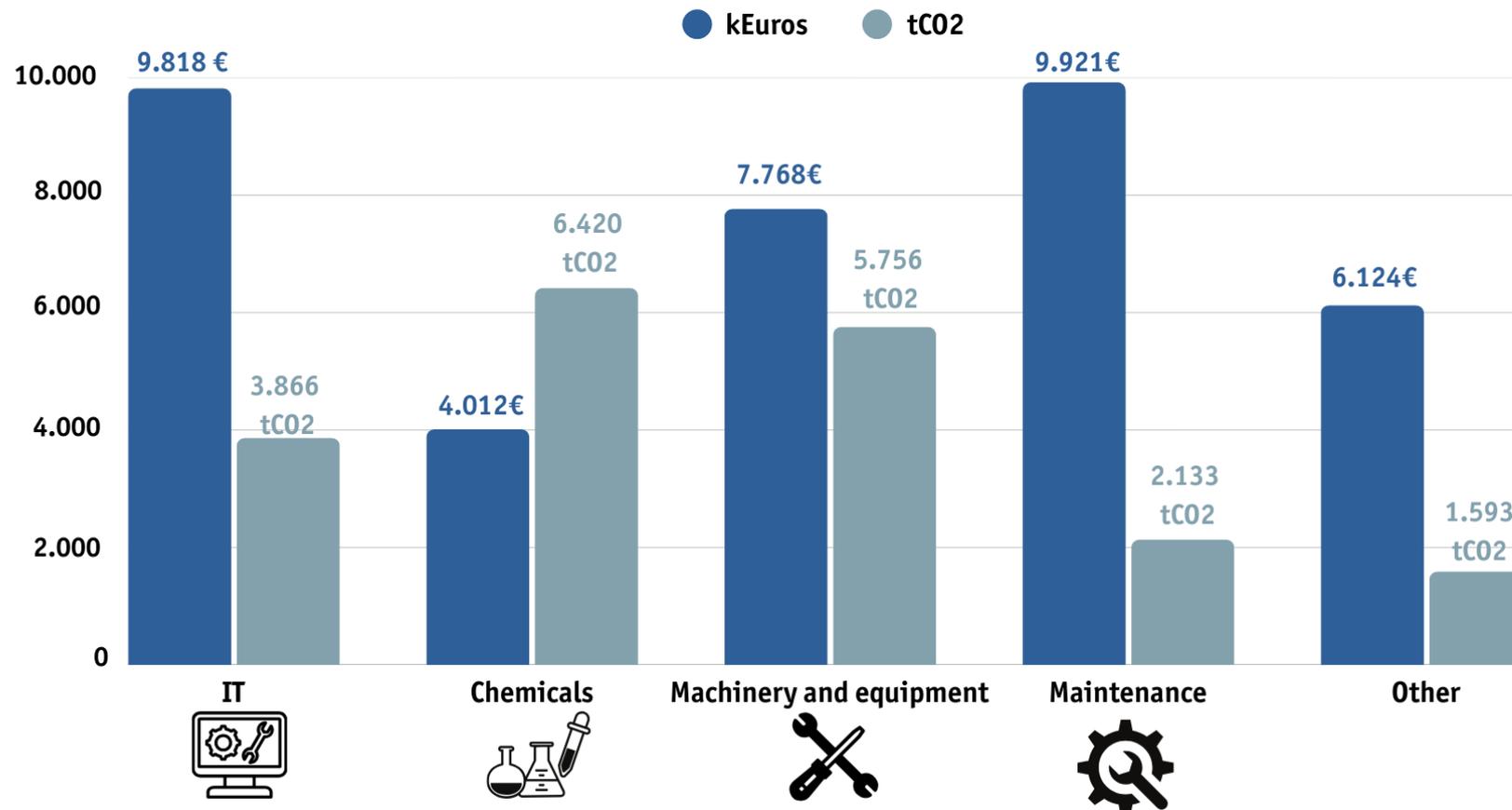
+ 200 tCO2e waste correction in calculation)

# Inputs (39%)

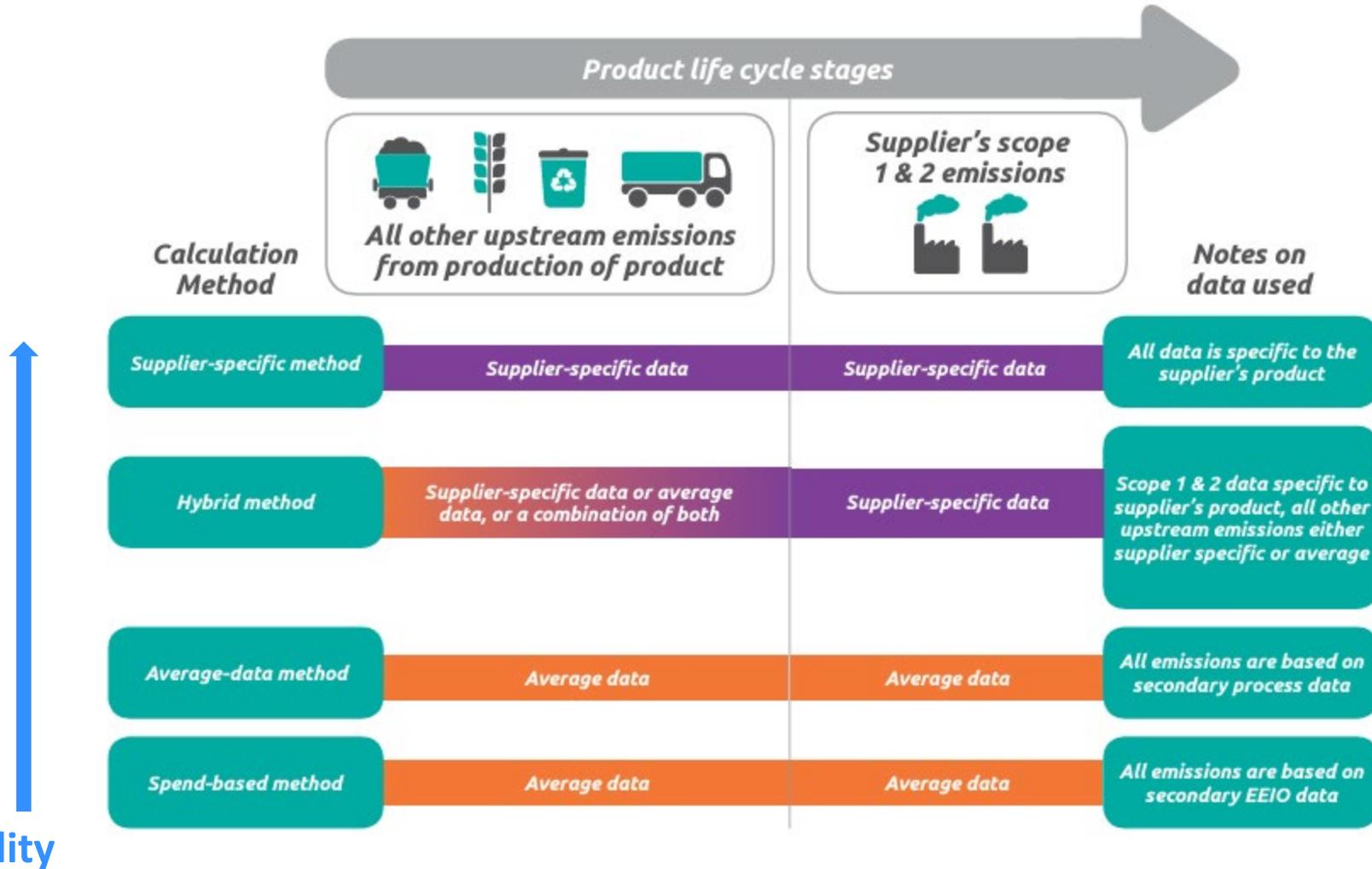
Selectie uit GL ADFIN 2024: 56 M€



## INPUTS MONETARY RATIOS kEuros spent and tCO2



# Spend-based ...



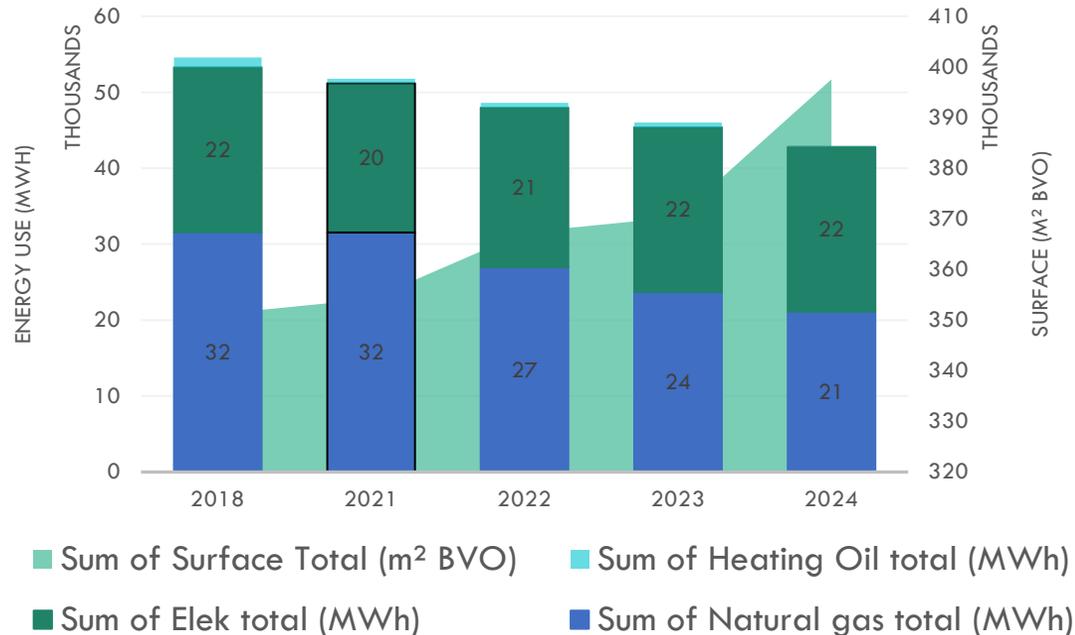
# Energy (11%)

Aug 2022: peak energy prices

## Evolution MWh

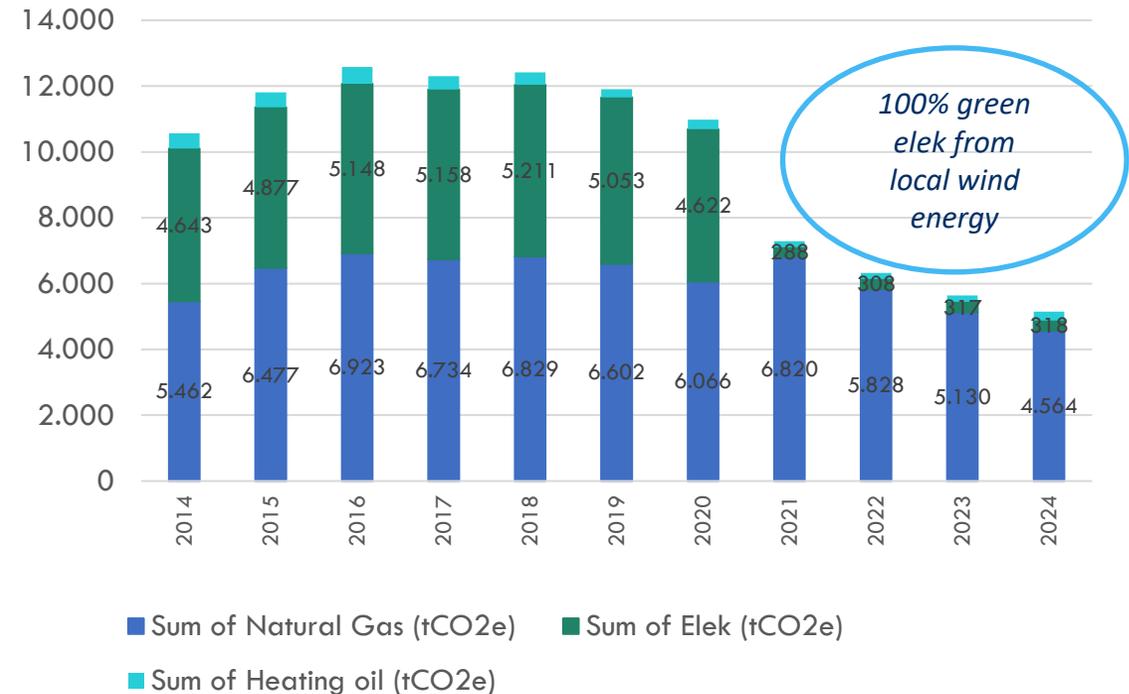


Energy Use (MWh) & Surface (m<sup>2</sup> BVO)



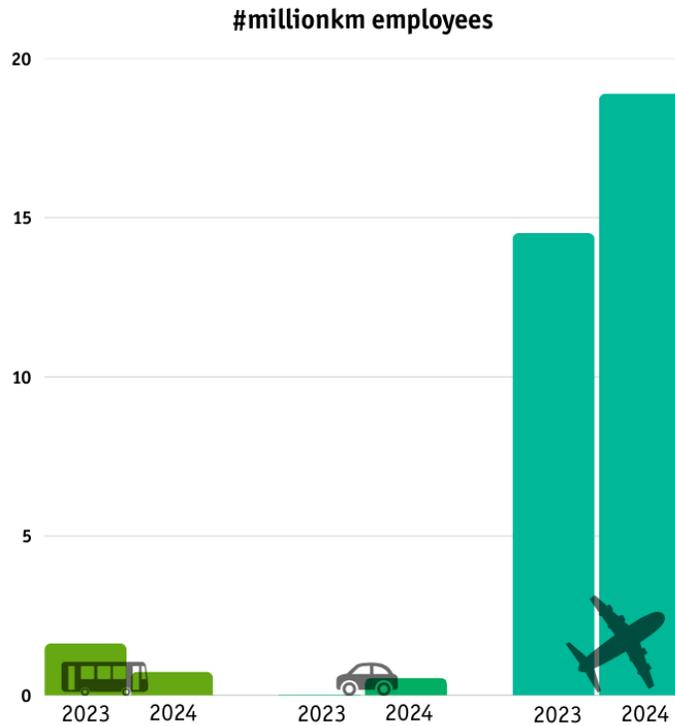
## Evolution tCO<sub>2</sub>e

Energy (tCO<sub>2</sub>e)

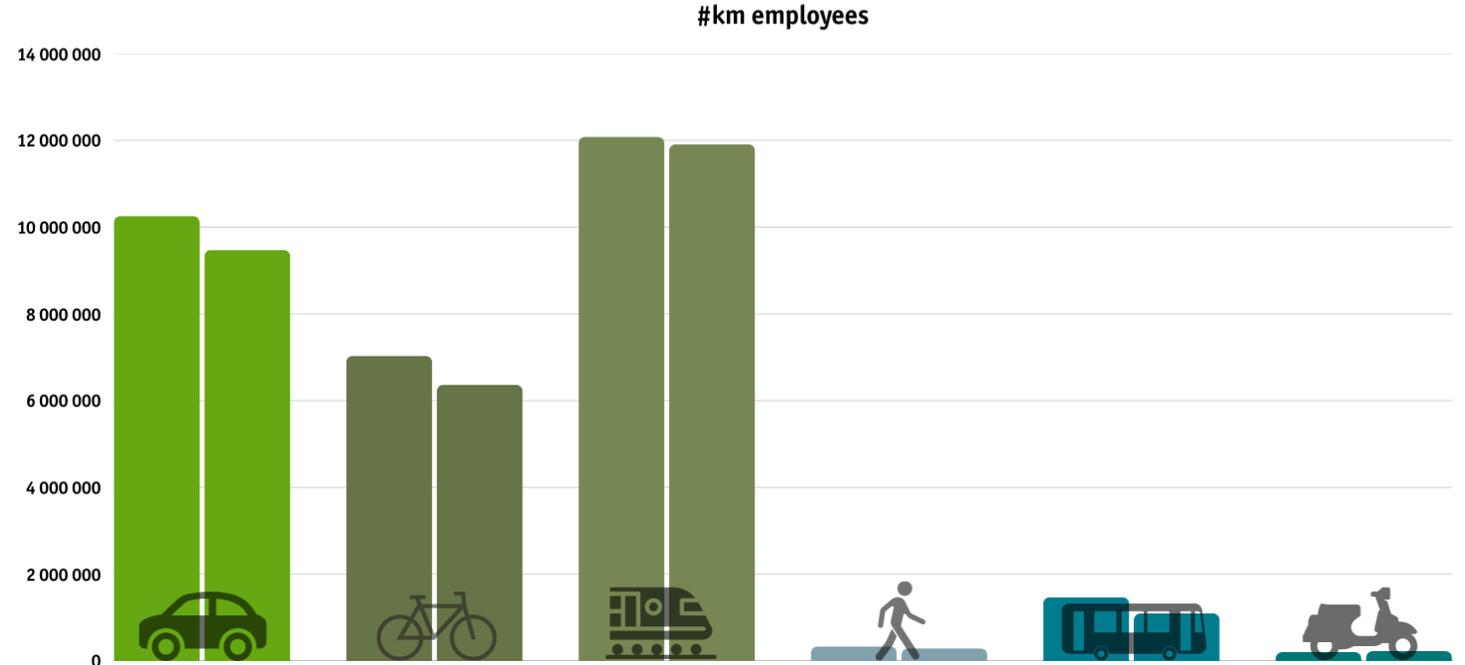


# Transporting people (38%)

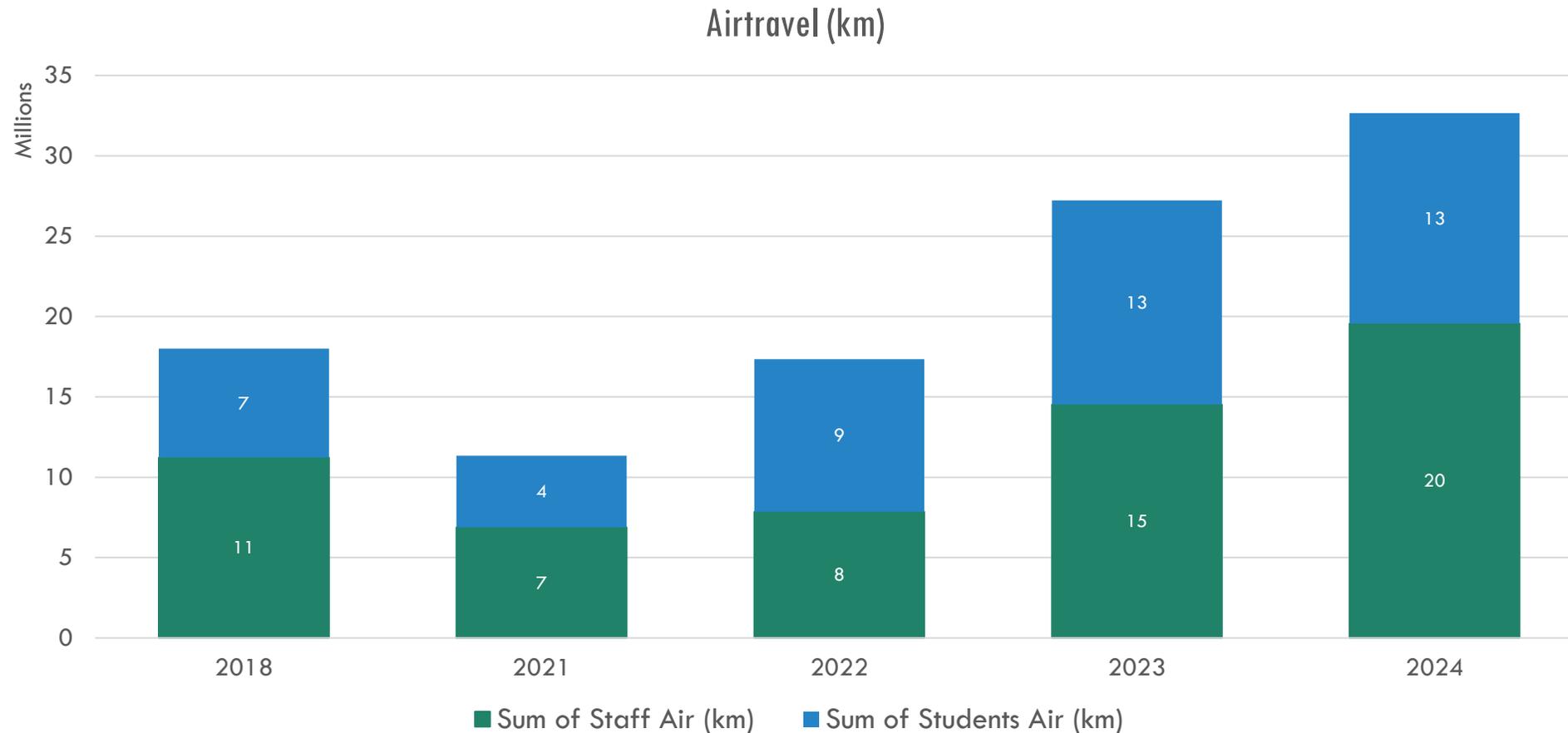
## EVOLUTION OF BUSINESS TRAVEL



## EVOLUTION OF COMMUTING



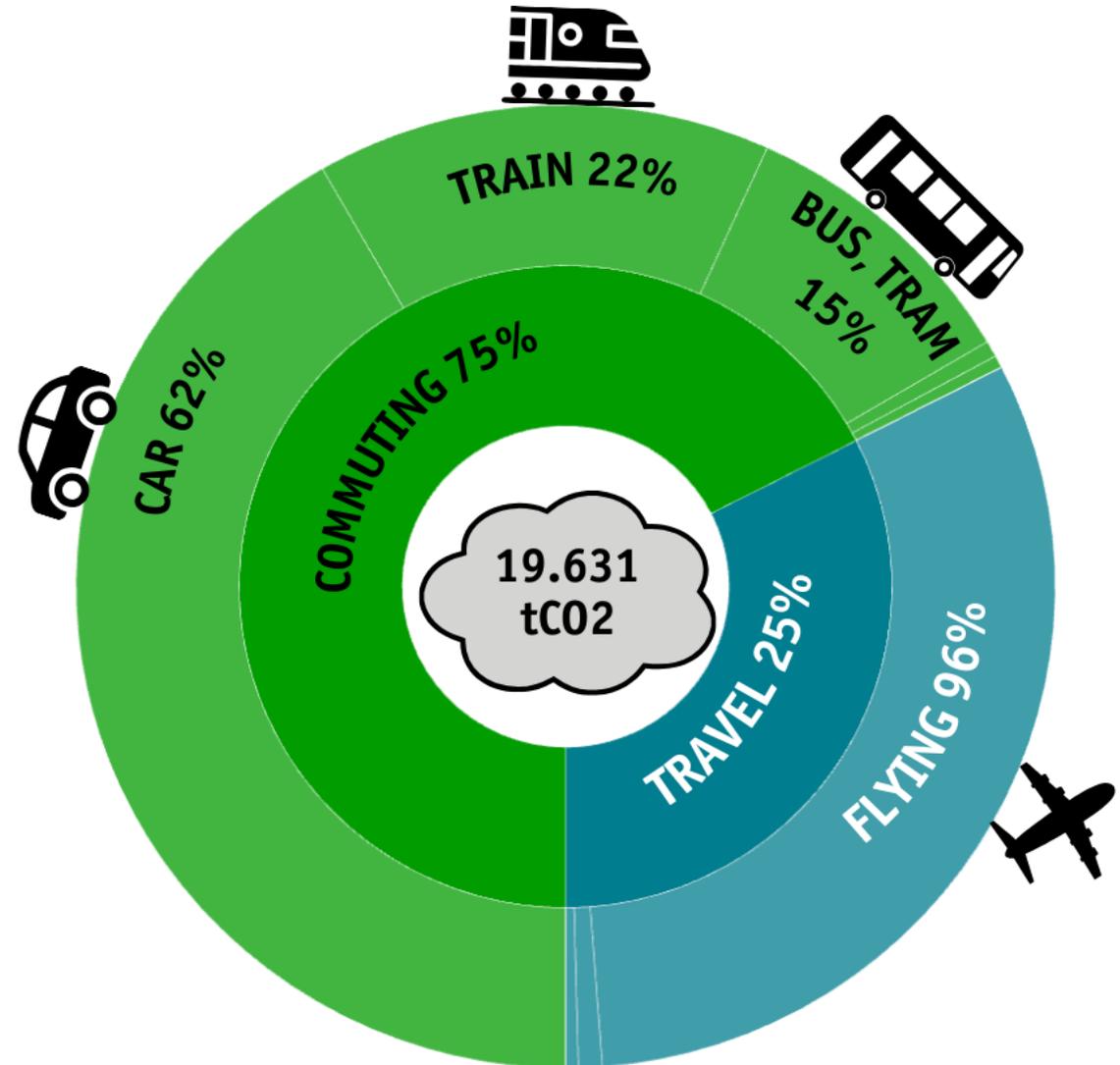
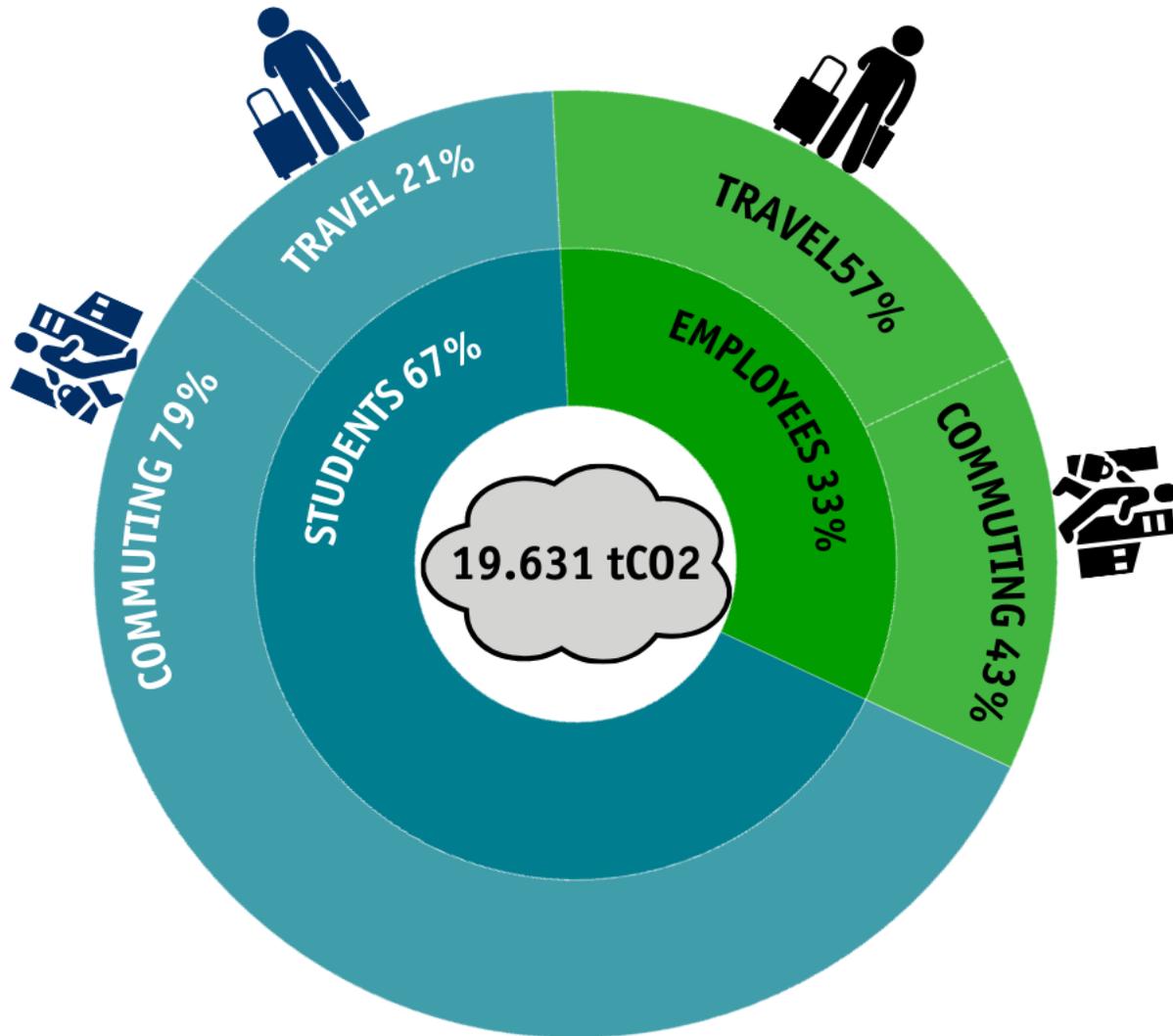
# International travel by AIR



**STAFF: business trips**

**STUDENTS: ASWU + Erasmus in & out + diploma students (included since 2024)**

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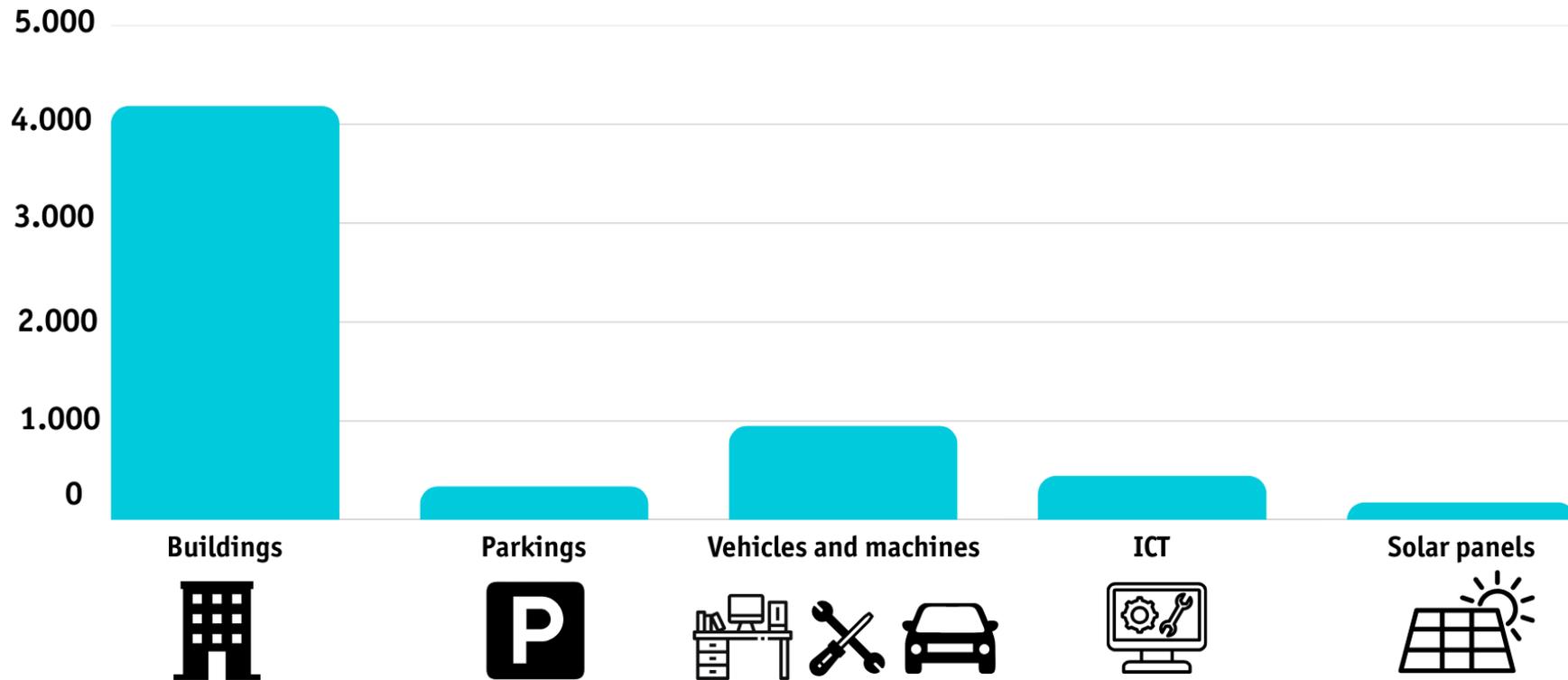


# Capital Goods (12%)



6.098 tCO<sub>2</sub>

## CAPITAL GOODS EMISSIONS in tCO<sub>2</sub>

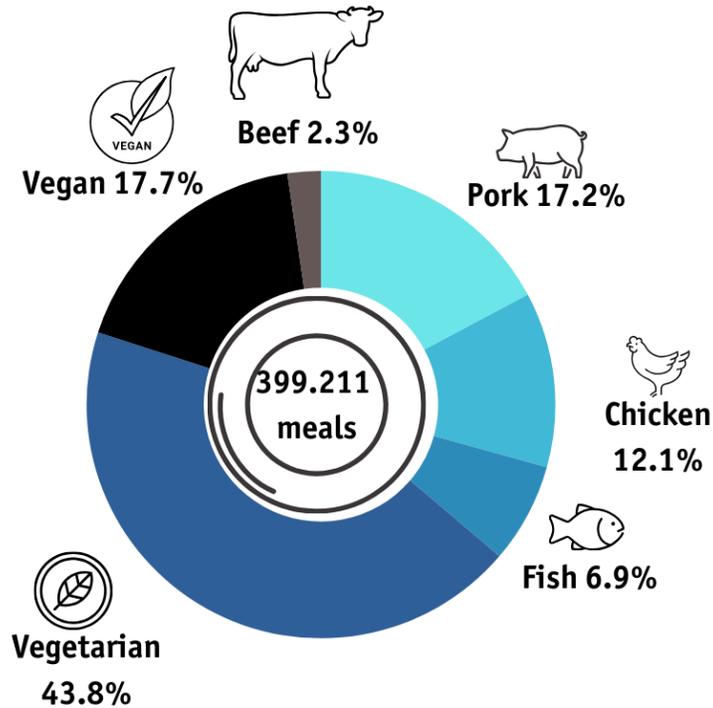


# FOOD (0,6%)

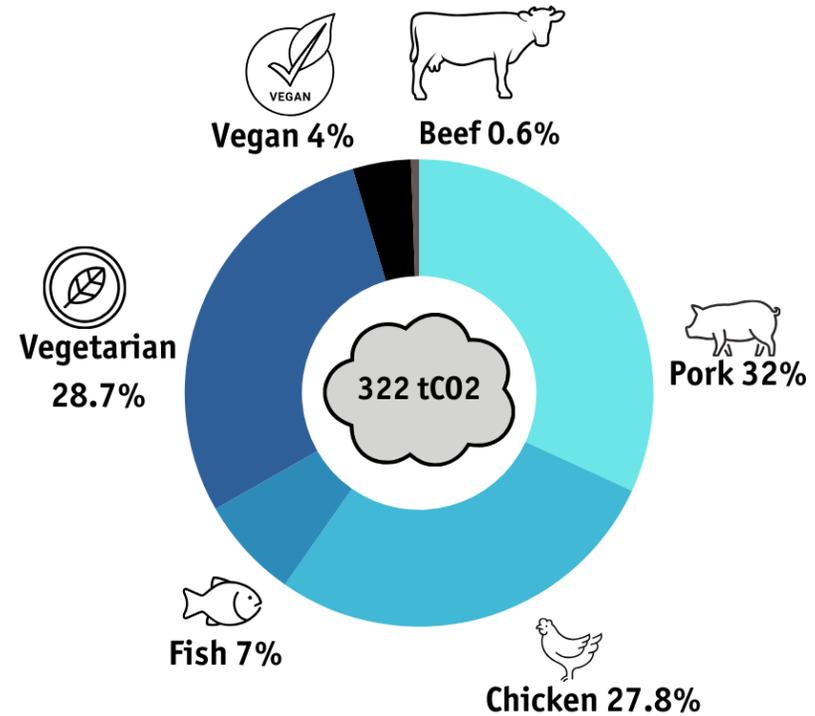
*Komida & plant based: 72 tCO2e avoided in 2023  
(if all meals & sandwiches were with porc)*

## FOOD CONSUMPTION: STUDENT RESTAURANT AND CATERING

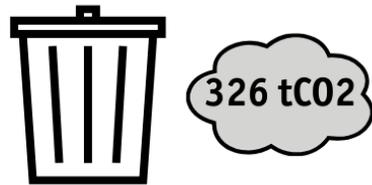
SHARE OF MEALS



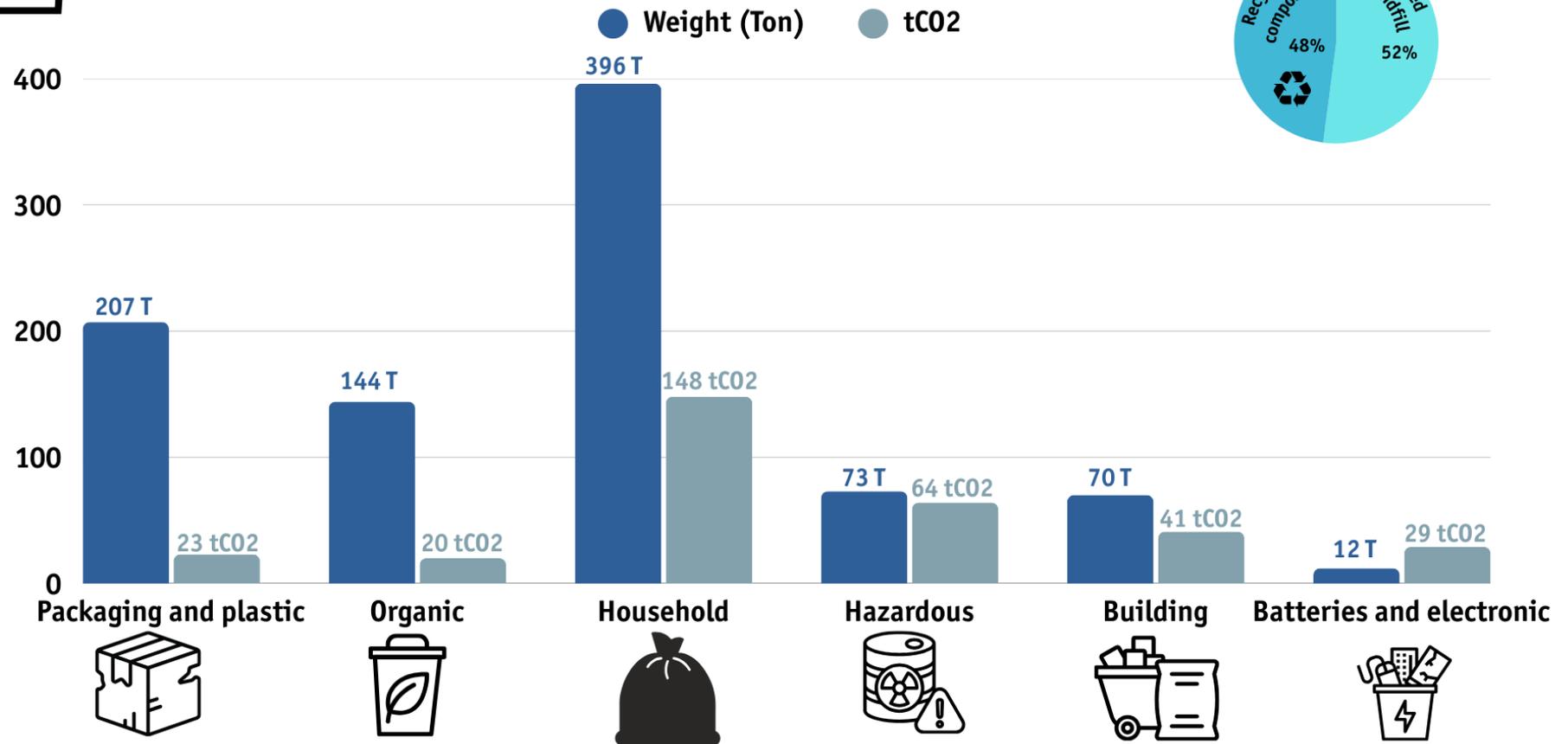
SHARE OF EMISSIONS



# Direct Waste (0,6%)



## WASTE EMISSIONS in tCO2





# Changes 2024 vs 2023

## ▪ WASTE

- RA & PMD (SGS & Stad) underestimated in 2023. Brought to 52 pick ups/year instead of just 1 (= error) for 2024 (PMD: +40 tCO<sub>2</sub>e / RA: +214 tCO<sub>2</sub>e)

## ▪ FOOD

- new! data for KOVENTA 2024 included (+ 75 tCO<sub>2</sub>e)

## ▪ INT. TRAVEL STUDENTS

- new! Diplomastudenten IOB included (+1.214 in #, +ca. 1.000 tCO<sub>2</sub>e)

## ▪ CAPITAL GOODS:

- new! ICT data ontvangen voor desktops/laptops in central beheer

## ▪ INPUTS

- new! na oplevering masters thesis on Chems & labproducts GL (in k€)
  - 50/50 chems/lab equipment → 48/42/10 consumables/chems/equipment (-200 tCO<sub>2</sub>e)
  - EF chems 1.600 kg CO<sub>2</sub>e/k€ → lager (table 11 thesis)

