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1 Glossary

Acronym	Definition
ADEME	Agence de l'Environnement et de la Maîtrise de l'Énergie
A&D	Aerospace and Defense
CG	Capital Goods
CtG	Cradle-to-Gate
DoD	US Department of Defense
EIO-LCA	Economic Input-Output Life Cycle Assessment
EEIO	Environmentally Extended Input Output
EF	Emission Factor
GHG	Greenhouse Gases
GHGP	GHG Protocol
GtG	Gate-to-Gate
kgCO₂e	Kilograms of CO ₂ -equivalent
k\$	1000 US dollars
k€	1000 euros
LCA	Life-Cycle Analysis
NAICS	North American Industry Classification System
PG&S	Purchased Goods & Services
tCO₂e	(metric) tons of CO ₂ -equivalent
USEEIO	United-States Environmentally Extended Input-Output model

2 Executive Summary

As described in “GHG Reporting Guidance for the Aerospace Industry, A Supplement to the GHG Protocol Corporate (Scope 1 and 2) and Value Chain (Scope 3) Accounting and Reporting Standards”, the International Aerospace Environmental Group (IAEG) identified that both “Purchase of Goods and Services” (PG&S) and “Capital Goods” (CG) categories are potentially relevant as Scope 3 categories. As for other potentially relevant categories, IAEG decided to develop relevant methodology and guidance materials to allow the aerospace companies to report greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions for these categories.

The methodology document is meant to complement the user guide by providing additional supporting information. The document highlights the context and purpose of the work as well as the criteria used to build the tool and to select the databases. It also elaborates on the proxies used for each subcategory of products and helps the user get a sense of the results’ level of uncertainty. In sum, it will help users who wish to improve their understanding of the reasoning behind the methodology or who might have additional questions.

This document also includes all relevant information for updating the tool and maintain the methodology up to date as newly information becomes available.

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4 Context and purpose

4.1 Introduction

Corporate disclosure of Greenhouse Gas (GHG) emissions has garnered increasing momentum over the years due to a convergence of regulatory requirements, public pressure, and investor concerns over the impact of climate change-related risks on corporate performance. With most publicly listed companies already disclosing Scopes 1 and 2 emissions on a regular basis, attention is turning towards Scope 3 emissions disclosure.

There are multiple reasons to justify this shift. Scope 3 emissions often represent the largest part of a company's carbon footprint and can account for up to 90%¹ of its total emissions. Organizations are exposed to a multitude of carbon constraints and risks along their entire value chain, each potentially impacting long-term returns.

Recent studies provided hard evidence to support the idea that Scope 3 emissions may turn out to be a more powerful indicator of a company's resilience and preparedness than Scopes 1 and 2 emissions. As a result, investors' focus is shifting to ensuring that relevant Scope 3 emissions information becomes available. Furthermore, France's mandatory disclosure requirements for significant Scope 3 categories is seen as a sign that regulations are also evolving on this issue. Companies calculating and disclosing their Scope 3 emissions will send a clear signal that they are ahead of the issue and wish to demonstrate transparency.

IAEG Work Group (WG3) has the mandate to address the issue of GHG accounting and reporting by aerospace companies. Its objective is to promote these practices and bring consistency across the industry. The first deliverable from this group is the [GHG Reporting Guidance for the Aerospace Industry – A Supplement to the GHG Protocol Corporate Accounting and Reporting Standard](#)². This guidance provides a common framework of guidelines, methodologies, vocabulary, and relevant recommendations for GHG accounting and reporting to promote consistent, complete, and accurate reporting across the aerospace industry. It also identifies relevant Scope 3 categories for the aerospace sector.

In the aerospace and defense industry, both "Purchase of Goods and Services" and "Capital Goods" categories are among the most material Scope 3 categories. The actual document describes the methodology developed for assessing GHG emissions associated with PG&S and CG. An Excel tool and a user guide to facilitate the implementation of calculations are provided separately.

4.2 Main objectives of the methodology

The aim of the methodology development process was to find the best balance between the following key elements:

- Reliable emission factors and, if possible, regional differentiation;
- Fully applicable to the aerospace sector;
- As robust as possible;
- As simple as possible;
- As accurate as possible;

- Compatible with the technical capabilities of IAEG members;
- As transparent as possible;
- Based on recognized standards;
- Free of intellectual property rights.

A thorough review of design recommendations performed in Phase 2 led to the identification of the requirements presented in Table 1.

Table 1 - Requirements used in the conception of the methodology

#	Topic	Requirement for phase 3
1	Emission factors	1.1 Use publicly available Emission Factors (EF), whenever available (with the option to use Ecolnvent EF as a last resort)
		1.2 Priority given to public EF originating from key areas such as the EU and the US. When easily available, integrate EF from China, India, Brazil, Mexico, Japan.
		1.3 Enable the use of supplier specific LCA data if available, under restrictions (see Chapter 10 for more details)
		1.4 Provide steps and requirements for integrating new EF
2	Resources	2.1 Enable users to estimate the order of magnitude through simple calculations requiring less than a week of work.
		2.2 The initial accounting should require less than a week using the spend-based approach and up to a few months using the mass-based approach.
3	Accuracy vs. simplicity	3.1 Maintain coherence across all three approaches.
		3.2. Favor simplicity over accuracy. Strive to provide a good order of magnitude as a starting point and provide options to increase accuracy for those who wish to and are able to do so.
		3.3 Sectorial Aerospace & Defense (A&D) agreed purchasing categories reflecting the spend-based categories.
		3.4 A mass-based approach as auditable as possible.
4	Standards	4.1 Absence of conflict with ISO14064-1 ³ and the GHG Protocol ^{4,5} . See Appendix 3: Compliance to international standards_for details.

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General approach

5.1 Define the spend-based approach as the default option to help newcomers get started with scope 3 accounting. Provide detailed guidelines on how to obtain and categorize datasets for PG&S.

5.2 Satisfy the needs of all members of the IAEG community using a multi-level approach.

5.3 Define an approximate level of accuracy for each approach.

5.4 Provide mass-based datasets those who seek more accurate results.

5.5 Present the pros and cons of each approach, focusing on ease of use, accuracy, time, and resources.

5 Emissions factor sources

5.1 Emission factor databases selection

The following criteria were used to select the EF databases:

- Whenever possible, use **public sources**;
- Whenever possible, use **cradle-to-gate EF**;
- Databases **updated** within the last 5 years;
- **Geographical scope**: US, Europe, Japan, Brazil, or China;
- **Environmentally Extended Input-Output (EIO)** tables for spend-based approach.

Publicly available EF: An important database criterion for IAEG was the free access to the EF to ensure that no copyright limitation would constrain the use of its tool in years to come. The main drawbacks, however, are a lower number of suitable databases as well as older EF being accessible.

Cradle-to-gate EF: Cradle-to-gate EF encompass all the emissions from raw material extraction to the delivery of the material/part/system. Using such factors increases accuracy and robustness and reduces the risk for incomplete factors. The main challenge is that these EF tend to be disseminated in the literature and are not always public.

Up-to-date EF: The most recent EF were selected to account for up-to-date industrial processes, realistic electricity emission factors, and to limit corrections due to inflation.

Geographical standpoint: EF may vary by location due to a multitude of factors such as the predominant energy sources of a given country. To increase accuracy, the tool proposes, when possible, EF at world level and/or at country level. Unfortunately, no factors were found to cover Japan, Brazil, or China specifically.

EIO tables: These databases allow for simple and quick access to sets of spend-based EF for numerous economic sectors and subsectors. Their accuracy is relatively low because the EF are aggregated.

None of the identified database could meet all the criteria mentioned in Table 1. In the public field, only seven databases seemed to match the cradle-to-gate criterion. Their age or geographical scopes were heterogeneous. Among the seven, only five appeared suitable for the methodology:

- Carnegie Mellon;
- DoD;
- USEEIO;
- Base Impacts;
- Base Carbone.

Other database candidates were considered:

- Ecoinvent: it is not a public database. It could potentially be used as a last resort option to complete the methodology database if some EF are missing;
- Exiobase: a good geographical coverage but pure LCA database, with EF to be reconstructed;
- WIOD: similar to Exiobase;

- ELCD3: not available anymore.

Additional EF for certain materials (i.e., for certain metals) were taken from other public sources and integrated in the methodology. They were used to improve the accuracy and the robustness of the tool using more recent and specific factors.

5.2 Sources used in the methodology

Since no single database meets all criteria for every category, several databases were used, as presented in Table 2:

Table 2: Summary of the databases used in the methodology

Database or Source	Type of EF	Geography	Last update	Source
DoD	Spend-based	USA	2014	DoD Sustainability Assessment Guidance - Appendix I Scoring Factors
EIO-LCA	Spend-based	USA	2007	Carnegie-Mellon University
USEEIO	Spend-based	USA	2017	US EPA
Base IMPACTS[®]	Mass-based	Europe / World	2018	ADEME
Base Carbone[®]	Spend-based and mass-based	France / Europe	2019	ADEME

More details on these sources can be found in Appendix 2: Description of the main databases.

6 Approaches

6.1 Spend-Based Approach

The inputs needed to use this approach are annual spend data for the relevant sub-category. This information is combined with spend-based EF which embedded in the tool. The spend-based approach granularity is relatively low.

For all categories, emissions are estimated using the equation below:

$$\text{Subcategory Emissions (tCO}_2\text{e)} = \text{Subcategory expenses (k\$ or k€)} \times \text{Subcategory EF (kgCO}_2\text{e/k\$ or k€)} / 1000$$

6.2 Hybrid-Based Approach

The hybrid-based approach is a combination of mass-based approach and spend-based approach. It therefore applies in the case when the material mass breakdown is partially known. Therefore it still allows the estimation of emissions from products for which some material breakdown is missing.

When the material breakdown is known, the following equation is used:

$$\text{Subcategory emissions (tCO}_2\text{e)} = \sum_i \sum_j \text{Units of products } i \text{ bought} \times \text{Mass of material } j \text{ in product } i \times \text{material } j \text{ EF} / 1000$$

For other products with unknown material breakdown, the same equation as the spend-based approach one is used.

$$\text{Subcategory emissions (tCO}_2\text{e)} = \text{Subcategory expenses (k\$ or k€)} \times \text{Subcategory EF (kgCO}_2\text{e/k\$ or k€)} / 1000$$

The hybrid approach proposes provides a higher number of subcategories and therefore it provides a higher resolution than in the spend based approach.

6.3 Mass-Based Approach

The mass-based approach uses a mass-based EF for most of the purchased products, hence providing the most granular and accurate reporting of all approaches. For products with a known mass breakdown, the following equation is used:

$$\text{Subcategory emissions (tCO}_2\text{e)} = \sum_i \sum_j \text{Quantity of products } i \text{ bought} \times \text{Mass of material } j \text{ in product } i \times \text{material } j \text{ EF} / 1000$$

Emissions from other purchased products for which a known material mass breakdown is not available are estimated based on total mass or number of units purchased:

Emissions from subcategory A (tCO₂e) =

Purchases on subcategory A (kg) * EF for subcategory A (kgCO₂e/kg) / 1000

OR

Emissions from subcategory A (tCO₂e) =

Purchases on subcategory A (units) * EF for subcategory A (kgCO₂e/unit) / 1000

In this approach, spend-based EF are used for all services. For goods, a spend-based approach is allowed only if a very specific spend-based EF is identified. In both cases, the following equation is applicable:

Emissions from subcategory A (tCO₂e) =

Expenses on subcategory A (k\$) * EF for subcategory A (kgCO₂e/k\$) / 1000

7 List of subcategories and emissions factors

7.1 General considerations

The purpose of this section is to detail the nomenclature for all purchases covered by the methodology. Indeed, the different types of purchases are classified in 3 levels: group, category and subcategory.

Each product subcategory is associated to a product proxy selected from one of the databases. The matching proxy's description can be found under the column "EF Proxy" and the corresponding database under the column "database."

Most EF used in the spend-based approach originate from either the Carnegie-Mellon⁸, the DoD⁷ or the USEEIO database⁹. In the mass-based approach, most EF were taken from ADEME Base Impacts¹¹.

The classification is based upon North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) standard which classifies business activities and gathers them according to the similarity of the processes used to produce goods or services.

7.2 Assembly and structural components group

This group includes all assembly and structural components, whether metallic or non-metallic (i.e., fuselage, wing, landing gear, breaks, nacelles, engine housing, stabilizers, etc.).

This group is composed of 2 categories:

- Metallic assembly and structural components;
- Non-metallic assembly and structural components.

7.2.1 Metallic assembly and structural components category breakdown

Subcategory	Proxy EF	Database	Ref. value	Ref. EF unit
Metal-based structural product, unknown material and/or mass	Metal Structural Products	Carnegie Mellon	584,00	kgCO2e / kUSD
Aluminium, extrusion profile - Casting	Aluminium extrusion profile + Casting (low impact)	Base Impacts	3,80	kgCO2e / kg
Aluminium, extrusion profile - Cold rolling	Aluminium extrusion profile + Cold rolling (low impact metal)	Base Impacts	2,58	kgCO2e / kg
Aluminium, extrusion profile - Hot rolling	Aluminium extrusion profile + Hot rolling (low impact metal)	Base Impacts	2,61	kgCO2e / kg
Aluminium, extrusion profile - Metal drilling	Aluminium extrusion profile + Metal drilling (low impact metal)	Base Impacts	2,53	kgCO2e / kg
Aluminium, extrusion profile - Metal sheet stamping	Aluminium extrusion profile + Metal sheet stamping (20% loss)	Base Impacts	2,60	kgCO2e / kg
Aluminium, extrusion profile - Unspecified process	Processed Aluminium extrusion profile	Base Impacts	3,80	kgCO2e / kg
Aluminium, sheet - Casting	Aluminium sheet + Casting (low impact)	Base Impacts	4,90	kgCO2e / kg
Aluminium, sheet - Cold rolling	Aluminium sheet + Cold rolling (low impact metal)	Base Impacts	3,44	kgCO2e / kg
Aluminium, sheet - Hot rolling	Aluminium sheet + Hot rolling (low impact metal)	Base Impacts	3,51	kgCO2e / kg
Aluminium, sheet - Metal drilling	Aluminium sheet + Metal drilling (low impact metal)	Base Impacts	3,36	kgCO2e / kg
Aluminium, sheet - Metal sheet stamping	Aluminium sheet + Metal sheet stamping (20% loss)	Base Impacts	3,57	kgCO2e / kg
Aluminium, sheet - Unspecified process	Processed Aluminium sheet	Base Impacts	4,90	kgCO2e / kg
Brass - Casting	Brass (CuZn20) + Casting (low impact)	Base Impacts	1,34	kgCO2e / kg
Brass - Cold rolling	Brass (CuZn20) + Cold rolling (low impact metal)	Base Impacts	0,67	kgCO2e / kg
Brass - Hot rolling	Brass (CuZn20) + Hot rolling (low impact metal)	Base Impacts	0,62	kgCO2e / kg
Brass - Metal drilling	Brass (CuZn20) + Metal drilling (low impact metal)	Base Impacts	0,69	kgCO2e / kg
Brass - Metal sheet stamping	Brass (CuZn20) + Metal sheet stamping (20% loss)	Base Impacts	0,46	kgCO2e / kg
Brass - Unspecified process	Processed Brass (CuZn20)	Base Impacts	1,34	kgCO2e / kg
Copper - Casting	Copper mix (99,999% from electrolysis) + Casting (low impact)	Base Impacts	5,84	kgCO2e / kg
Copper - Cold rolling	Copper mix (99,999% from electrolysis) + Cold rolling (low impact metal)	Base Impacts	4,18	kgCO2e / kg
Copper - Hot rolling	Copper mix (99,999% from electrolysis) + Hot rolling (low impact metal)	Base Impacts	4,27	kgCO2e / kg
Copper - Metal drilling	Copper mix (99,999% from electrolysis) + Metal drilling (low impact metal)	Base Impacts	4,07	kgCO2e / kg
Copper - Metal sheet stamping	Copper mix (99,999% from electrolysis) + Metal sheet stamping (20% loss)	Base Impacts	4,40	kgCO2e / kg
Copper - Unspecified process	Processed Copper mix (99,999% from electrolysis)	Base Impacts	5,84	kgCO2e / kg
Lead - Casting	Lead + Casting (low impact)	Base Impacts	2,78	kgCO2e / kg
Lead - Cold rolling	Lead + Cold rolling (low impact metal)	Base Impacts	1,79	kgCO2e / kg
Lead - Hot rolling	Lead + Hot rolling (low impact metal)	Base Impacts	1,79	kgCO2e / kg

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Subcategory	Proxy EF	Database	Ref. value	Ref. EF unit
Lead - Metal drilling	Lead + Metal drilling (low impact metal)	Base Impacts	1,77	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Lead - Metal sheet stamping	Lead + Metal sheet stamping (20% loss)	Base Impacts	1,72	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Lead - Unspecified process	Processed Lead	Base Impacts	2,78	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Nickel - Casting	Monel (nickel alloy) + Casting (high impact)	Base Impacts	19,11	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Nickel - Cold rolling	Monel (nickel alloy) + Cold rolling (high impact metal)	Base Impacts	11,71	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Nickel - Hot rolling	Monel (nickel alloy) + Hot rolling (high impact metal)	Base Impacts	12,08	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Nickel - Metal drilling	Monel (nickel alloy) + Metal drilling (high impact metal)	Base Impacts	16,66	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Nickel - Metal sheet stamping	Monel (nickel alloy) + Metal sheet stamping (20% loss)	Base Impacts	13,67	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Nickel - Unspecified process	Processed Monel (nickel alloy)	Base Impacts	19,11	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Stainless Steel - Steel part turning	Stainless Steel + Steel part turning (5% loss), GLO	Base Impacts	0,09	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Stainless Steel - Steel sheet scouring (deburring)	Stainless Steel + Steel sheet scouring (deburring), GLO	Base Impacts	0,04	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Stainless Steel - Unspecified process	Processed Stainless Steel	Base Impacts	0,18	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Steel - Steel part turning	Steel + Steel part turning (5% loss), GLO	Base Impacts	1,65	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Steel - Steel sheet scouring (deburring)	Steel + Steel sheet scouring (deburring), GLO	Base Impacts	1,34	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Steel - Galvanisation steel sheet	Steel + Galvanisation steel sheet, GLO	Base Impacts	1,70	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Steel - Unspecified process	Processed Steel	Base Impacts	1,70	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Titanium - Casting	Titanium + Casting (high impact)	Base Impacts	26,65	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Titanium - Cold rolling	Titanium + Cold rolling (high impact metal)	Base Impacts	16,84	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Titanium - Hot rolling	Titanium + Hot rolling (high impact metal)	Base Impacts	17,31	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Titanium - Metal drilling	Titanium + Metal drilling (high impact metal)	Base Impacts	24,20	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Titanium - Metal sheet stamping	Titanium + Metal sheet stamping (20% loss)	Base Impacts	19,83	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Titanium - Unspecified process	Processed Titanium	Base Impacts	26,65	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Zinc - Casting	Zamak zinc alloy (ZnAlMgCu) + Casting (high impact)	Base Impacts	7,11	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Zinc - Cold rolling	Zamak zinc alloy (ZnAlMgCu) + Cold rolling (high impact metal)	Base Impacts	3,55	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Zinc - Hot rolling	Zamak zinc alloy (ZnAlMgCu) + Hot rolling (high impact metal)	Base Impacts	3,75	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Zinc - Metal drilling	Zamak zinc alloy (ZnAlMgCu) + Metal drilling (high impact metal)	Base Impacts	4,66	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Zinc - Metal sheet stamping	Zamak zinc alloy (ZnAlMgCu) + Metal sheet stamping (20% loss)	Base Impacts	3,87	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Zinc - Unspecified process	Processed Zamak zinc alloy (ZnAlMgCu)	Base Impacts	7,11	kgCO ₂ e / kg

7.2.2 Non-metallic assembly and structural components category breakdown

Subcategory	Proxy EF	Database	Ref. value	Ref. EF unit
Composite-based structural product, unknown material and/or mass	Carbon fiber (CF, from PAN, high strengths, long fibers) + Thermocompression	Base Impacts & Infosys	495,06	kgCO2e / kUSD
Other non metal-based assembly and structural components for aircraft	Other Aircraft Parts	Carnegie Mellon	243,00	kgCO2e / kUSD
Other non metal-based assembly and structural components for spacecraft and missiles	Guided Missiles And Space Vehicles	Carnegie Mellon	111,00	kgCO2e / kUSD
Carbon fiber, high strengths, long fibers - Pultrusion	Carbon fiber (CF, from PAN, high strengths, long fibers) + Pultrusion	Base Impacts	41,11	kgCO2e / kg
Carbon fiber, high strengths, long fibers - Thermocompression	Carbon fiber (CF, from PAN, high strengths, long fibers) + Thermocompression	Base Impacts	42,08	kgCO2e / kg
Carbon fiber, high strengths, long fibers - Unspecified process	Processed Carbon fiber (CF, from PAN, high strengths, long fibers)	Base Impacts	42,08	kgCO2e / kg
Carbon Fiber, short fibers - Pultrusion	Carbon Fiber (CF, from PAN, short fibers) + Pultrusion	Base Impacts	18,72	kgCO2e / kg
Carbon Fiber, short fibers - Thermocompression	Carbon Fiber (CF, from PAN, short fibers) + Thermocompression	Base Impacts	19,69	kgCO2e / kg
Carbon Fiber, short fibers - Unspecified process	Processed Carbon Fiber (CF, from PAN, short fibers)	Base Impacts	19,69	kgCO2e / kg
Glass fibers, high strength - Pultrusion	Glass fibers (high strength) + Pultrusion	Base Impacts	2,78	kgCO2e / kg
Glass fibers, high strength - Thermocompression	Glass fibers (high strength) + Thermocompression	Base Impacts	3,75	kgCO2e / kg
Glass fibers, high strength - Unspecified process	Processed Glass fibers (high strength)	Base Impacts	3,75	kgCO2e / kg
Glass fibers, low strength - Pultrusion	Glass fibers (low strength) + Pultrusion	Base Impacts	3,56	kgCO2e / kg
Glass fibers, low strength - Thermocompression	Glass fibers (low strength) + Thermocompression	Base Impacts	4,53	kgCO2e / kg
Glass fibers, low strength - Unspecified process	Processed Glass fibers (low strength)	Base Impacts	4,53	kgCO2e / kg

7.2.3 Examples of products covered in the category “Aircraft parts other than engines”

The following example demonstrates how different types of products relating to the aerospace industry may be grouped under a NAICS nomenclature.

This category originally entitled **Other Aircraft Parts** in the USEEIO database was renamed **Aircraft parts other than engines** so that IAEG members better understand it.

NAICS number	Definition
336413	This U.S. industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in (1) manufacturing aircraft parts or auxiliary equipment (except engines and aircraft fluid power subassemblies) and/or (2) developing and making prototypes of aircraft parts and auxiliary equipment. Auxiliary equipment includes such items as crop dusting apparatus, armament racks, inflight refueling equipment, and external fuel tanks.

Here are some examples of products included in this subcategory:

- Aircraft assemblies, subassemblies, and parts (except engines) manufacturing
- Aircraft auxiliary parts (e.g., crop dusting, external fuel tanks, inflight refueling equipment) manufacturing
- Aircraft brakes manufacturing
- Aircraft control surface assemblies manufacturing
- Aircraft fuselage wing tail and similar assemblies manufacturing
- Aircraft propellers and parts manufacturing
- Aircraft wheels manufacturing
- Airframe assemblies (except for guided missiles) manufacturing
- Developing and producing prototypes for aircraft parts (except engines) and auxiliary equipment
- Joints, universal, aircraft, manufacturing
- Targets, trailer type, aircraft, manufacturing
- Tow targets, aircraft, manufacturing
- Universal joints, aircraft, manufacturing

7.3 Manufactured components and materials group

This group includes all product-related components that are nonstructural such as casting and forging, fan blades, carbon brake pads, cargo equipment (hoisting, tools for cargo activities, etc.) cabin and seats, entertainment equipment and galleys, carpets, propulsion system in space equipment, solar panels, etc.

This group is divided into 3 categories:

- Metallic manufactured components;
- Non-metallic manufactured components;
- Electrical and electronic equipment.

7.3.1 Metallic manufactured components category breakdown

Subcategory	Proxy EF	Database	Ref. value	Ref. EF unit
Air conditioning and industrial refrigeration equipment, unknown material and mass	Air conditioning, refrigeration, and warm air heating equipment manufacturing (333415)	DoD	310,69	kgCO ₂ e / kUSD
Aircraft engines, engine parts and other propulsion systems, unknown material and mass	Aircraft Engines And Parts	Carnegie Mellon	205,00	kgCO ₂ e / kUSD
Aluminium-based manufactured products, unknown mass	Aluminum product manufacturing from purchased aluminum (33131B)	DoD	1441,10	kgCO ₂ e / kUSD
Copper-based manufactured products, unknown mass	Copper rolling, drawing, extruding and alloying (331420)	DoD	583,51	kgCO ₂ e / kUSD
Hardware, unknown material and mass	Hardware manufacturing (332500)	DoD	471,39	kgCO ₂ e / kUSD
Metal pipes and fittings, unknown material and mass	Fabricated pipe and pipe fitting manufacturing (332996)	DoD	662,42	kgCO ₂ e / kUSD
Metal-based manufactured components for aircraft (other than engines), unknown material and mass	Other Aircraft Parts	Carnegie Mellon	243,00	kgCO ₂ e / kUSD
Metal-based propulsion units and parts for space vehicles and guided missiles, unknown material and mass	Propulsion Units And Parts For Space Vehicles And Guided Missiles	Carnegie Mellon	174,00	kgCO ₂ e / kUSD
Other non-ferrous metal-based manufactured products, unspecified material and mass	Nonferrous metal (except copper and aluminum) rolling, drawing, extruding and alloying (331490)	DoD	1649,50	kgCO ₂ e / kUSD
Steel-based manufactured components, unknown mass	Steel product manufacturing from purchased steel (331200)	DoD	1021,20	kgCO ₂ e / kUSD
Aluminium, extrusion profile - Casting	Aluminium extrusion profile + Casting (low impact)	Base Impacts	3,80	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Aluminium, extrusion profile - Cold rolling	Aluminium extrusion profile + Cold rolling (low impact metal)	Base Impacts	2,58	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Aluminium, extrusion profile - Hot rolling	Aluminium extrusion profile + Hot rolling (low impact metal)	Base Impacts	2,61	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Aluminium, extrusion profile - Metal drilling	Aluminium extrusion profile + Metal drilling (low impact metal)	Base Impacts	2,53	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Aluminium, extrusion profile - Metal sheet stamping	Aluminium extrusion profile + Metal sheet stamping (20% loss)	Base Impacts	2,60	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Aluminium, extrusion profile - Unspecified process	Processed Aluminium extrusion profile	Base Impacts	3,80	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Aluminium, sheet - Casting	Aluminium sheet + Casting (low impact)	Base Impacts	4,90	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Aluminium, sheet - Cold rolling	Aluminium sheet + Cold rolling (low impact metal)	Base Impacts	3,44	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Aluminium, sheet - Hot rolling	Aluminium sheet + Hot rolling (low impact metal)	Base Impacts	3,51	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Aluminium, sheet - Metal drilling	Aluminium sheet + Metal drilling (low impact metal)	Base Impacts	3,36	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Aluminium, sheet - Metal sheet stamping	Aluminium sheet + Metal sheet stamping (20% loss)	Base Impacts	3,57	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Aluminium, sheet - Unspecified process	Processed Aluminium sheet	Base Impacts	4,90	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Brass - Casting	Brass (CuZn20) + Casting (low impact)	Base Impacts	1,34	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Brass - Cold rolling	Brass (CuZn20) + Cold rolling (low impact metal)	Base Impacts	0,67	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Brass - Hot rolling	Brass (CuZn20) + Hot rolling (low impact metal)	Base Impacts	0,62	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Brass - Metal drilling	Brass (CuZn20) + Metal drilling (low impact metal)	Base Impacts	0,69	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Brass - Metal sheet stamping	Brass (CuZn20) + Metal sheet stamping (20% loss)	Base Impacts	0,46	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Brass - Unspecified process	Processed Brass (CuZn20)	Base Impacts	1,34	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Copper - Casting	Copper mix (99,999% from electrolysis) + Casting (low impact)	Base Impacts	5,84	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Copper - Cold rolling	Copper mix (99,999% from electrolysis) + Cold rolling (low impact metal)	Base Impacts	4,18	kgCO ₂ e / kg

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Subcategory	Proxy EF	Database	Ref. value	Ref. EF unit
Copper - Hot rolling	Copper mix (99,999% from electrolysis) + Hot rolling (low impact metal)	Base Impacts	4,27	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Copper - Metal drilling	Copper mix (99,999% from electrolysis) + Metal drilling (low impact metal)	Base Impacts	4,07	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Copper - Metal sheet stamping	Copper mix (99,999% from electrolysis) + Metal sheet stamping (20% loss)	Base Impacts	4,40	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Copper - Unspecified process	Processed Copper mix (99,999% from electrolysis)	Base Impacts	5,84	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Lead - Casting	Lead + Casting (low impact)	Base Impacts	2,78	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Lead - Cold rolling	Lead + Cold rolling (low impact metal)	Base Impacts	1,79	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Lead - Hot rolling	Lead + Hot rolling (low impact metal)	Base Impacts	1,79	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Lead - Metal drilling	Lead + Metal drilling (low impact metal)	Base Impacts	1,77	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Lead - Metal sheet stamping	Lead + Metal sheet stamping (20% loss)	Base Impacts	1,72	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Lead - Unspecified process	Processed Lead	Base Impacts	2,78	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Nickel - Casting	Monel (nickel alloy) + Casting (high impact)	Base Impacts	19,11	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Nickel - Cold rolling	Monel (nickel alloy) + Cold rolling (high impact metal)	Base Impacts	11,71	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Nickel - Hot rolling	Monel (nickel alloy) + Hot rolling (high impact metal)	Base Impacts	12,08	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Nickel - Metal drilling	Monel (nickel alloy) + Metal drilling (high impact metal)	Base Impacts	16,66	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Nickel - Metal sheet stamping	Monel (nickel alloy) + Metal sheet stamping (20% loss)	Base Impacts	13,67	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Nickel - Unspecified process	Processed Monel (nickel alloy)	Base Impacts	19,11	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Stainless Steel - Steel part turning	Stainless Steel + Steel part turning (5% loss), GLO	Base Impacts	0,09	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Stainless Steel - Steel sheet scouring (deburring)	Stainless Steel + Steel sheet scouring (deburring), GLO	Base Impacts	0,04	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Stainless Steel - Unspecified process	Processed Stainless Steel	Base Impacts	0,18	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Steel - Steel part turning	Steel + Steel part turning (5% loss), GLO	Base Impacts	1,65	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Steel - Steel sheet scouring (deburring)	Steel + Steel sheet scouring (deburring), GLO	Base Impacts	1,34	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Steel - Galvanisation steel sheet	Steel + Galvanisation steel sheet, GLO	Base Impacts	1,70	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Steel - Unspecified process	Processed Steel	Base Impacts	1,70	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Titanium - Casting	Titanium + Casting (high impact)	Base Impacts	26,65	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Titanium - Cold rolling	Titanium + Cold rolling (high impact metal)	Base Impacts	16,84	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Titanium - Hot rolling	Titanium + Hot rolling (high impact metal)	Base Impacts	17,31	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Titanium - Metal drilling	Titanium + Metal drilling (high impact metal)	Base Impacts	24,20	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Titanium - Metal sheet stamping	Titanium + Metal sheet stamping (20% loss)	Base Impacts	19,83	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Titanium - Unspecified process	Processed Titanium	Base Impacts	26,65	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Zinc - Casting	Zamak zinc alloy (ZnAlMgCu) + Casting (high impact)	Base Impacts	7,11	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Zinc - Cold rolling	Zamak zinc alloy (ZnAlMgCu) + Cold rolling (high impact metal)	Base Impacts	3,55	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Zinc - Hot rolling	Zamak zinc alloy (ZnAlMgCu) + Hot rolling (high impact metal)	Base Impacts	3,75	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Zinc - Metal drilling	Zamak zinc alloy (ZnAlMgCu) + Metal drilling (high impact metal)	Base Impacts	4,66	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Zinc - Metal sheet stamping	Zamak zinc alloy (ZnAlMgCu) + Metal sheet stamping (20% loss)	Base Impacts	3,87	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Zinc - Unspecified process	Processed Zamak zinc alloy (ZnAlMgCu)	Base Impacts	7,11	kgCO ₂ e / kg

7.3.2 Non-metallic manufactured components category

Subcategory	Proxy EF	Database	Ref. value	Ref. EF unit
Composite-based manufactured products, unknown mass	Carbon fiber (CF, from PAN, high strengths, long fibers) + Thermocompression	Base Impacts & Infosys	495,06	kgCO2e / kUSD
Glass-based manufactured products, unknown mass	Glass And Glass Products	Carnegie Mellon	932,00	kgCO2e / kUSD
Non metal-based aircraft engines, engine parts and other propulsion systems, unknown material and mass	Aircraft Engines And Parts	Carnegie Mellon	205,00	kgCO2e / kUSD
Non metal-based manufactured components for aircraft (other than engines), unknown material and mass	Other Aircraft Parts	Carnegie Mellon	243,00	kgCO2e / kUSD
Non metal-based propulsion units and parts for space vehicles or missiles, unknown material and mass	Propulsion Units And Parts For Space Vehicles And Guided Missiles	Carnegie Mellon	174,00	kgCO2e / kUSD
Plastic-based manufactured products, unknown mass	Other Plastic Products	Carnegie Mellon	649,00	kgCO2e / kUSD
Acrylonitrile-butadiene-styrene (ABS), any process	Processed Acrylonitrile-butadiene-styrene granulate (ABS), RER	Base Impacts	5,74	kgCO2e / kg
Carbon fiber, high strengths, long fibers - Pultrusion	Carbon fiber (CF, from PAN, high strengths, long fibers) + Pultrusion	Base Impacts	41,11	kgCO2e / kg
Carbon fiber, high strengths, long fibers - Thermocompression	Carbon fiber (CF, from PAN, high strengths, long fibers) + Thermocompression	Base Impacts	42,08	kgCO2e / kg
Carbon fiber, high strengths, long fibers - Unspecified process	Processed Carbon fiber (CF, from PAN, high strengths, long fibers)	Base Impacts	42,08	kgCO2e / kg
Carbon Fiber, short fibers - Pultrusion	Carbon Fiber (CF, from PAN, short fibers) + Pultrusion	Base Impacts	18,72	kgCO2e / kg
Carbon Fiber, short fibers - Thermocompression	Carbon Fiber (CF, from PAN, short fibers) + Thermocompression	Base Impacts	19,69	kgCO2e / kg
Carbon Fiber, short fibers - Unspecified process	Processed Carbon Fiber (CF, from PAN, short fibers)	Base Impacts	19,69	kgCO2e / kg
Glass fibers, high strength - Pultrusion	Glass fibers (high strength) + Pultrusion	Base Impacts	2,78	kgCO2e / kg
Glass fibers, high strength - Thermocompression	Glass fibers (high strength) + Thermocompression	Base Impacts	3,75	kgCO2e / kg
Glass fibers, high strength - Unspecified process	Processed Glass fibers (high strength)	Base Impacts	3,75	kgCO2e / kg
Glass fibers, low strength - Pultrusion	Glass fibers (low strength) + Pultrusion	Base Impacts	3,56	kgCO2e / kg
Glass fibers, low strength - Thermocompression	Glass fibers (low strength) + Thermocompression	Base Impacts	4,53	kgCO2e / kg
Glass fibers, low strength - Unspecified process	Processed Glass fibers (low strength)	Base Impacts	4,53	kgCO2e / kg
Nylon, any process	Processed Nylon 6 granulate (PA 6), RER	Base Impacts	11,26	kgCO2e / kg
Phenolic resin, any process	Processed Phenolic resin (45% concentration)	Base Impacts	2,93	kgCO2e / kg
Polycarbonate (PC), any process	Processed Polycarbonate granulate (PC), EU-25	Base Impacts	5,65	kgCO2e / kg
Polyethylene high density (PE-HD), any process	Processed Polyethylene high density granulate (PE-HD), RER	Base Impacts	3,83	kgCO2e / kg
Polyethylene low density (PE-LD), any process	Processed Polyethylene low density granulate (PE-LD), RER	Base Impacts	4,01	kgCO2e / kg

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Subcategory	Proxy EF	Database	Ref. value	Ref. EF unit
Polyethylene terephthalate (PET), any process	Processed Polyethylene terephthalate granulate (PET, amorph), RER	Base Impacts	5,21	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Polymethylmethacrylate-ball (PMMA), any process	Processed Polymethylmethacrylate-ball (PMMA), RER	Base Impacts	9,06	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Polyoxymethylene (POM), any process	Processed Polyoxymethylene granulate (POM), RER	Base Impacts	5,65	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Polypropylene (PP), any process	Processed Polypropylene granulate (PP), RER	Base Impacts	3,88	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Polystyrene (PS), any process	Processed Polystyrene granulate (PS), RER	Base Impacts	5,42	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Polyvinylchloride (PVC), any process	Processed Polyvinylchloride granulate (Emulsion, E-PVC), RER	Base Impacts	5,19	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Recycled polyethylene high density (PE-HD), any process	Processed Production of recycled HDPE granules from collected and sorted HDPE packaging waste	Base Impacts	2,05	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Recycled polyethylene low density (PE-LD), any process	Processed Production of recycled LDPE granules from collected and sorted agricultural plastic film waste	Base Impacts	1,98	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Recycled polyethylene terephthalate (PET), any process	Processed Production of recycled PET granules from collected and sorted PET packaging waste	Base Impacts	2,13	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Recycled polypropylene (PP), any process	Processed Production of recycled PP granules from collected and sorted PP waste	Base Impacts	1,99	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Recycled polypropylene (PP), any process	Processed Production of recycled PP granules from collected and sorted PP waste	Base Impacts	1,99	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Recycled polyvinylchloride (PVC), any process	Processed Production of recycled PVC from collected and sorted PVC waste	Base Impacts	1,96	kgCO ₂ e / kg

7.3.3 Electrical and electronic equipment category breakdown

Subcategory	Proxy EF	Database	Ref. value	Ref. EF unit
Audio and video equipment, unknown quantity	Audio and video equipment manufacturing (334300)	DoD	294,28	kgCO ₂ e / kUSD
Batteries for electricity storage	Primary battery manufacturing (335912)	DoD	658,51	kgCO ₂ e / kUSD
Communication or energy wires and cables, unknown quantity	Communication And Energy Wire And Cable	Carnegie Mellon	499,00	kgCO ₂ e / kUSD
Electronic components (computers, servers)	Electronic computer manufacturing (334111)	DoD	259,99	kgCO ₂ e / kUSD
Electronic components (printed circuits, screens, crystal assemblies, etc.)	Other electronic component manufacturing (33441A)	DoD	359,46	kgCO ₂ e / kUSD
Other communications equipment manufacturing	Other communications equipment manufacturing (334290)	DoD	351,52	kgCO ₂ e / kUSD
Other electronic equipment	Other electronic component manufacturing (33441A)	DoD	359,46	kgCO ₂ e / kUSD
Other industrial electric components	All other miscellaneous electrical equipment and component manufacturing (335999)	DoD	324,13	kgCO ₂ e / kUSD
Other industrial electric components	All other miscellaneous electrical equipment and component manufacturing (335999)	DoD	324,13	kgCO ₂ e / kUSD
Printed circuits, unknown quantity	Printed circuit assembly (electronic assembly) manufacturing (334418)	DoD	374,80	kgCO ₂ e / kUSD
Search, detection, and navigation instruments (sensors, etc.)	Search, detection, and navigation instruments manufacturing (334511)	DoD	191,69	kgCO ₂ e / kUSD
Time-measuring and controlling devices	Watch, clock, and other measuring and controlling device manufacturing (33451A)	DoD	252,24	kgCO ₂ e / kUSD
Wireless communication equipment	Broadcast and wireless communications equipment (334220)	DoD	182,89	kgCO ₂ e / kUSD
Electrical cable	Electrical cable	Base Impacts	0,16	kgCO ₂ e / m
Liquid crystal display panel	Liquid crystal display panel	Base Impacts	134,43	kgCO ₂ e / Item
Printed circuit board	Printed circuit board assembly	Base Impacts	606,12	kgCO ₂ e / m ²

7.3.4 Examples of products covered in the category “Aircraft engines, engine parts and other propulsion systems”

The following example demonstrates how different types of products relating to the aerospace industry may be grouped under a NAICS nomenclature.

This category originally entitled *Aircraft Engine and Engine Parts* in the USEEIO database was renamed *Aircraft engines, engine parts and other propulsion systems* so that IAEG members better understand it.

NAICS number	Definition
336412	This U.S. industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in one or more of the following: (1) manufacturing aircraft engines and engine parts; (2) developing and making prototypes of aircraft engines and engine parts; (3) aircraft propulsion system conversion (i.e., major modifications to systems); and (4) aircraft propulsion systems overhaul and rebuilding (i.e., periodic restoration of aircraft propulsion system to original design specifications).

Here are some examples of products included in this subcategory:

- Aircraft engine and engine parts (except carburetors, pistons, piston rings, valves) manufacturing
- Aircraft engine overhauling
- Aircraft engine rebuilding
- Aircraft turbines manufacturing
- Developing and producing prototypes for aircraft engines and engine parts
- Engines and engine parts, aircraft (except carburetors, pistons, piston rings, valves), manufacturing
- Gas turbines, aircraft, manufacturing
- Gasoline engine parts (except carburetors, pistons, piston rings, valves), aircraft, manufacturing
- Gasoline engines, aircraft, manufacturing
- Internal combustion engines, aircraft, manufacturing
- Jet propulsion and internal combustion engines and parts, aircraft, manufacturing
- Rocket engines, aircraft, manufacturing

Note: some EF can be found in different Groups (Assembly and structural components, Manufactured components, and materials) because they can cover similar products. This is particularly true at the spend-based approach (because categories / subcategories are very aggregate and then generic).

7.4 Raw materials group

This group includes all raw materials and is composed of 3 categories:

- Metallic raw materials;
- Non-metallic raw materials;
- Gases and chemicals.

7.4.1 Metallic raw materials category breakdown

Subcategory	Proxy EF	Database	Ref. value	Ref. EF unit
Aluminum and aluminum alloys, unknown mass	Secondary smelting and alloying of aluminum (331314)	DoD	1413,00	kgCO2e / kUSD
Copper, unknown mass	Primary smelting and refining of copper (331411)	DoD	638,04	kgCO2e / kUSD
Iron, steel and ferro-alloys, unknown mass	Iron and steel mills and ferroalloy manufacturing (331110)	DoD	2031,90	kgCO2e / kUSD
Metals, unknown material and mass	Métaux (aluminium, cuivre, acier, etc.)	Base Carbone	1700,00	kgCO2e / k€
Other non-ferrous metals, unknown mass	Primary smelting and refining of nonferrous metal (except copper and aluminum) (331419)	DoD	554,21	kgCO2e / kUSD
Aluminium, extrusion profile	Aluminium extrusion profile	Base Impacts	2,39	kgCO2e / kg
Aluminium, sheet	Aluminium sheet	Base Impacts	3,19	kgCO2e / kg
Aluminum, unspecified	Aluminium - production of aluminium	Metal LCAs	22,40	kgCO2e / kg
Copper	Copper mix (99,999% from electrolysis)	Base Impacts	3,88	kgCO2e / kg
Ferroalloy	Ferroalloy production	Base Carbone	2,21	kgCO2e / kg
Ferronickel	Ferronickel - production of ferronickel	Metal LCAs	8,53	kgCO2e / kg
Iron	Iron production	Base Carbone	2,21	kgCO2e / kg
Lead	Lead	Base Impacts	1,65	kgCO2e / kg
Magnesium	Magnesium - production of magnesium	Metal LCAs	42,00	kgCO2e / kg
Monel (nickel alloy)	Monel (nickel alloy)	Base Impacts	11,61	kgCO2e / kg
Nickel, unspecified	Nickel - production of class 1 nickel	Metal LCAs	7,64	kgCO2e / kg
Stainless steel, coil, cold rolled (0% recycling)	Stainless steel, coil, cold rolled (304) for clothing (0% recycling)	Base Impacts	7,27	kgCO2e / kg
Stainless steel, coil, cold rolled (100% recycling)	Stainless steel, coil, cold rolled (304) for furniture (100% recycling)	Base Impacts	3,75	kgCO2e / kg
Stainless steel, coil, cold rolled (50% recycling)	Stainless steel, coil, cold rolled (304) for EEE (50% recycling)	Base Impacts	4,38	kgCO2e / kg
Steel, cold rolled (0% of recycling)	Steel, coil, cold rolled for clothing (0% of recycling)	Base Impacts	2,42	kgCO2e / kg
Steel, cold rolled (50% of recycling)	Steel, coil, cold rolled for EEE (50% of recycling)	Base Impacts	1,66	kgCO2e / kg
Steel, electrolytic chrome-coated (ECCS) (50% recycling)	Steel, coil, electrolytic chrome-coated (ECCS) for EEE (50% recycling)	Base Impacts	1,91	kgCO2e / kg
Steel, finished cold rolled (0% recycling)	Steel, coil, finished cold rolled (0% recycling) for clothing	Base Impacts	2,49	kgCO2e / kg
Steel, finished cold rolled (50% recycling)	Steel, coil, finished cold rolled (50% recycling) for EEE	Base Impacts	1,74	kgCO2e / kg
Steel, hot dip galvanized (50% recycling)	Steel, coil, hot dip galvanized for EEE (50% recycling)	Base Impacts	1,94	kgCO2e / kg
Steel, hot dip galvanized (50% recycling)	Steel, coil, hot dip galvanized for EEE (50% recycling)	Base Impacts	1,94	kgCO2e / kg
Steel, organic coated (50% recycling)	Steel, coil, organic coated for EEE (50% recycling)	Base Impacts	2,16	kgCO2e / kg
Steel, tinplated (39.3% of recycling)	Steel, coil, tinplated for industrial packaging (39.3% of recycling)	Base Impacts	2,06	kgCO2e / kg
Steel, tinplated (54% of recycling)	Steel, coil, tinplated for any packaging (54% of recycling)	Base Impacts	1,84	kgCO2e / kg
Steel, tinplated (66.7% of recycling)	Steel, coil, tinplated for household packaging (66.7% of recycling)	Base Impacts	1,65	kgCO2e / kg
Steel, unspecified	Steel - production of steel	Metal LCAs	2,30	kgCO2e / kg
Steel, wire rod (50% recycling)	Steel, wire rod for EEE (50% recycling)	Base Impacts	1,82	kgCO2e / kg

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Subcategory	Proxy EF	Database	Ref. value	Ref. EF unit
Titanium, FFC electrowinning process	Titanium - FFC electrowinning process	Metal LCAs	31,00	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Titanium, kroll process	Titanium - kroll process	Metal LCAs	35,70	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Titanium, plasma powder process	Titanium - plasma powder process	Metal LCAs	33,20	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Titanium, unspecified	Titanium	Base Impacts	16,74	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Zinc, concentrate	Zinc concentrate - production of zinc concentrate	Metal LCAs	0,43	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Zinc, special high-grade (SHG)	Zinc SHG - production of special high-grade zinc	Metal LCAs	2,66	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Zinc, unspecified	Zinc concentrate - production of zinc concentrate	Metal LCAs	0,43	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Zinc, Zamak	Zamak zinc alloy (ZnAlMgCu)	Base Impacts	3,44	kgCO ₂ e / kg

7.4.2 Non-metallic raw materials category breakdown

Subcategory	Proxy EF	Database	Ref. value	Ref. EF unit
Clay and ceramic	Clay And Ceramic Products	Carnegie Mellon	780,00	kgCO2e / kUSD
Fabrics for seat, unknown mass and material	Vehicle seating and interior trim (upholstery)	USSEIO	486,00	kgCO2e / kUSD
Foams, unknown material and mass	Urethane And Other Foam Products	Carnegie Mellon	816,00	kgCO2e / kUSD
Glass, unspecified or unknown mass	Glass And Glass Products	Carnegie Mellon	932,00	kgCO2e / kUSD
Other non-metallic mineral	Miscellaneous nonmetallic mineral products (327999)	DoD	1172,00	kgCO2e / kUSD
Plastic - bags, films, and sheets - unknown mass	Plastic Bags, Films, And Sheets	Carnegie Mellon	741,00	kgCO2e / kUSD
Plastic - laminated plates - unknown mass	Laminated Plastic Plates And Shapes	Carnegie Mellon	605,00	kgCO2e / kUSD
Plastic - pipes and fittings - unknown mass	Plastic Pipe, Fittings, And Sausage Casings	Carnegie Mellon	674,00	kgCO2e / kUSD
Plastic - unknown material and mass	Other Plastic Products	Carnegie Mellon	649,00	kgCO2e / kUSD
Plastics, unspecified	Plastics	Carnegie Mellon	1120,00	kgCO2e / kUSD
Polystyrene foam, unknown mass	Polystyrene Foam Products	Carnegie Mellon	772,00	kgCO2e / kUSD
Rubber or plastic belts and hoses, unknown mass	Rubber And Plastic Belts And Hoses	Carnegie Mellon	473,00	kgCO2e / kUSD
Rubber products - unknown material and/or mass	Other Rubber Products	Carnegie Mellon	557,00	kgCO2e / kUSD
Synthetic Rubber and fibers	Synthetic Rubber And Artificial And Synthetic Fibers	Carnegie Mellon	1070,00	kgCO2e / kUSD
Carbon fiber, high strengths, long fibers	Carbon fiber (CF, from PAN, high strengths, long fibers)	Base Impacts	40,42	kgCO2e / kg
Carbon fiber, short fibers	Carbon Fiber (CF, from PAN, short fibers)	Base Impacts	18,25	kgCO2e / kg
Fabrics for seat, unknown material	Polyurethane foam of 1.5 mm thick (40 g/m3), 58% polyamide/42% elastane fabric (75 g/m²)	Base Impacts	1,00	kgCO2e / kg
Foam, polystyrene foam	EPS-Foam (expanded polystyrene foam (PS 12)), RER	Base Impacts	2,93	kgCO2e / kg
Foam, polyurethane flexible foam (PU)	Polyurethane flexible foam (PU), RER	Base Impacts	4,71	kgCO2e / kg
Foam, polyurethane rigid foam (PU)	Polyurethane rigid foam (PU), RER	Base Impacts	4,20	kgCO2e / kg
Foam, urea formaldehyde foam	Urea formaldehyde resin in- situ foam	Base Impacts	3,03	kgCO2e / kg
Glass fibers, high strength	Glass fibers (high strength)	Base Impacts	2,46	kgCO2e / kg
Glass fibers, low strength	Glass fibers (low strength)	Base Impacts	3,24	kgCO2e / kg
Glass, crystal/Lead glass	Chrystal/ Lead glass, RER	Base Impacts	1,90	kgCO2e / kg
Glass, container glass	Container glass, RER	Base Impacts	0,81	kgCO2e / kg
Glass, curved glass	Curved glass, RER	Base Impacts	2,39	kgCO2e / kg
Glass, flat glass average	Flat glass average	Base Impacts	1,60	kgCO2e / kg
Glass, float flat glass	Float flat glass, RER	Base Impacts	1,26	kgCO2e / kg
Glass, laminated safety glass	Laminated safety glass, RER	Base Impacts	3,42	kgCO2e / kg
Glass, patterned glass	Patterned glass, RER	Base Impacts	1,16	kgCO2e / kg

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Subcategory	Proxy EF	Database	Ref. value	Ref. EF unit
Glass, toughened glass (ESG)	Toughened glass (ESG) (thickness 1 mm; density 2.5 kg/m ²), RER	Base Impacts	1,82	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Plastic, HDPE pipe	HDPE pipe, extruded, RER	Base Impacts	1,72	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Plastic, HDPE, processed by injection moulding	HDPE, processed by injection moulding, RER	Base Impacts	2,65	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Plastic, packaging film, LDPE	Packaging film, LDPE	Base Impacts	2,59	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Plastic, packaging film, PE	Packaging film, PE	Base Impacts	2,59	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Plastic, packaging film, PE-EVOH	Packaging film, PE-EVOH	Base Impacts	2,58	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Plastic, packaging film, PET	Packaging film, PET	Base Impacts	3,31	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Plastic, packaging film, PP	Packaging film, PP	Base Impacts	2,45	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Plastic, PET, processed by injection stretch blow moulding	PET, processed by injection stretch blow moulding, RER	Base Impacts	3,98	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Plastic, PEX pipe	PEX pipe, extruded, RER	Base Impacts	2,29	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Plastic, plastic film, PA	Plastic film, PA	Base Impacts	8,63	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Plastic, PP pipe	PP pipe, extruded, RER	Base Impacts	2,07	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Plastic, PP, processed by injection moulding	PP, processed by injection moulding, RER	Base Impacts	2,24	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Plastic, PVC film	PVC film, calendered, RER	Base Impacts	2,92	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Plastic, PVC pipe	PVC pipe, extruded, RER	Base Impacts	2,53	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Plastic, PVC, processed by injection moulding	PVC, processed by injection moulding, RER	Base Impacts	2,92	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Plastic, thermoforming film, PA-PE	Thermoforming film, PA-PE	Base Impacts	5,61	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Rubber, epoxy resin	Epoxy resin, RER	Base Impacts	8,25	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Rubber, Isobutylene Isoprene Rubber (IIR)	Butyl rubber - Isobutylene Isoprene Rubber (IIR) by emulsion polymerization , RER	Base Impacts	3,37	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Rubber, Nitrile-Butadiene-Rubber (NBR)	Nitrile-Butadiene-Rubber (NBR), RER	Base Impacts	5,38	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Rubber, phenolic resin	Phenolic resin (45% concentration)	Base Impacts	1,66	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Rubber, polyester resin unsaturated (UP)	Polyester Resin unsaturated (UP), RER	Base Impacts	3,01	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Rubber, polyvinylchloride resin (B-PVC)	Polyvinylchloride resin (B-PVC), RER	Base Impacts	1,58	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Rubber, polyvinylpyrrolidone (PVPP)	Polyvinylpyrrolidone (PVPP)	Base Impacts	1,99	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Rubber, styrene-Butadiene Rubber (SBR)	Styrene-Butadiene Rubber (SBR) Mix, RER	Base Impacts	3,53	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Rubber, styreneacrylonitrile (SAN)	Styreneacrylonitrile (SAN), RER	Base Impacts	3,47	kgCO ₂ e / kg
Rubber, Polybutadiene rubber	Polybutadiene rubber, RER	Base Impacts	4,35	kgCO ₂ e / kg

7.4.3 Gases and chemicals category breakdown

Subcategory		Proxy EF	Database	Ref. value	Ref. EF unit
Basic inorganic chemicals	Other Basic Inorganic Chemicals		Carnegie Mellon	1310,00	kgCO ₂ e / kUSD
Basic organic chemicals	Other Basic Organic Chemicals		Carnegie Mellon	1290,00	kgCO ₂ e / kUSD
Chemicals, unspecified	Produits chimiques		Base Carbone	1600,00	kgCO ₂ e / k€
Paint and coating	Paint and coating manufacturing (325510)		DoD	518,54	kgCO ₂ e / kUSD

7.5 Services group

This group includes all services and is composed of the following categories:

- Professional services and consulting;
- Financial services;
- Insurance;
- Travel services;
- Telecom services and IT support;
- Materials handling;
- Research, development and testing services;
- Repair and overhaul;
- Miscellaneous.

7.5.1 Professional services and consulting category breakdown

Subcategory	Proxy EF	Database	Ref. value	Ref. EF unit
Advertising, public relations, and related services	Advertising, public relations, and related services (541800)	DoD	127,52	kgCO2e / kUSD
Business support services	Business support services (561400)	DoD	158,61	kgCO2e / kUSD
Environmental and other technical consulting services	Environmental and other technical consulting services (5416A0)	DoD	148,76	kgCO2e / kUSD
Facilities support services	Facilities support services (561200)	DoD	293,25	kgCO2e / kUSD
Marketing research and other professional, scientific, and technical services	Marketing research and all other miscellaneous professional, scientific, and technical services (5419A0)	DoD	163,11	kgCO2e / kUSD
Office administrative services	Office administrative services (561100)	DoD	114,80	kgCO2e / kUSD
Other professional services	Services (imprimerie, publicité, architecture et ingénierie, maintenance multi-technique des bâtiments, etc.)	Base Carbone	170,00	kgCO2e / k€
Professional services (printing, advertising, architecture and engineering, multi-technical maintenance of buildings, etc.)	Services (imprimerie, publicité, architecture et ingénierie, maintenance multi-technique des bâtiments, etc.)	Base Carbone	170,00	kgCO2e / k€

7.5.2 Financial services and insurance category breakdown

Subcategory	Proxy EF	Database	Ref. value	Ref. EF unit
Financial services, insurance and consulting	Accounting, tax preparation, bookkeeping, and payroll services (541200)	DoD	97,78	kgCO2e / kUSD

7.5.3 Travel services category breakdown

Subcategory	Proxy EF	Database	Ref. value	Ref. EF unit
Travel services	Travel arrangement and reservation services (561500)	DoD	186,36	kgCO2e / kUSD

7.5.4 Telecom services and IT support category breakdown

Subcategory	Proxy EF	Database	Ref. value	Ref. EF unit
Cloud services	Storage and process of data with a distant server, through a wired network	TSP & Carbone 4	301,00	kgCO2e / Tb
Telecom services and IT support	Télécommunications	Base Carbone	170,00	kgCO2e / k€

7.5.5 Materials handling category breakdown

Subcategory	Proxy EF	Database	Ref. value	Ref. EF unit
Materials handling	Réparation et installation de machines et d'équipements	Base Carbone	390,00	kgCO2e / k€

7.5.6 Research, development and testing services category breakdown

Subcategory	Proxy EF	Database	Ref. value	Ref. EF unit
Research, development and testing services	Recherche et développement	Base Carbone	250,00	kgCO2e / k€

7.5.7 Repair and overhaul category breakdown

Subcategory	Proxy EF	Database	Ref. value	Ref. EF unit
Nonresidential Building Repair And Maintenance	Nonresidential Building Repair And Maintenance	Carnegie Mellon	385,00	kgCO2e / kUSD
Repair, overhaul of machines and equipments	Réparation et installation de machines et d'équipements	Base Carbone	390,00	kgCO2e / k€

7.5.8 Miscellaneous category breakdown

Subcategory	Proxy EF	Database	Ref. value	Ref. EF unit
Accommodation and catering	Hébergement et restauration	Base Carbone	320,00	kgCO2e / k€
Construction	Construction	Base Carbone	360,00	kgCO2e / k€
Other services	Services (imprimerie, publicité, architecture et ingénierie, maintenance multi-technique des bâtiments, etc.)	Base Carbone	170,00	kgCO2e / k€

7.6 Capital goods group

Capital goods are final products that have an extended life and are used by the company to manufacture a product, provide a service, or sell, store, and deliver merchandise. In financial accounting, capital goods are treated as fixed assets or as plant, property, and equipment (PP&E). Examples of capital goods include equipment, machinery, buildings, facilities, and vehicles.

This group is composed of the following categories:

- Buildings and industrial plants;
- Industrial equipment;
- Fleet;
- Telecom equipment and IT hardware.

7.6.1 Buildings and industrial plants category breakdown

Subcategory	Proxy EF	Proxy EF	Value	EF unit
Commercial buildings	Commercial structures, including farm structures (2332A0)	DoD	338,45	kgCO ₂ e / kUSD
Infrastructures	Utilities Buildings And Infrastructure	Carnegie Mellon	243,00	kgCO ₂ e / kUSD
Manufacturing Buildings	Manufacturing Buildings	Carnegie Mellon	229,00	kgCO ₂ e / kUSD
Other non-residential buildings	Other nonresidential structures (2332B0)	DoD	319,85	kgCO ₂ e / kUSD
Renewable energy plant - Geothermal plant, unknown installed capacity	Deep geothermal plant - per invested k€	Ecoinvent & Carbone 4	4300,00	kgCO ₂ e / k€
Renewable energy plant - Solar PV plant, unknown installed capacity	Solar PV plant - open ground, multi-Si, 570 kW, France	Ecoinvent & Carbone 4	4400,00	kgCO ₂ e / k€
Industrial building, concrete	Bâtiment industriel - structure en béton	Base Carbone	825,00	kgCO ₂ e / m ²
Industrial building, metal	Bâtiment industriel - structure métallique	Base Carbone	275,00	kgCO ₂ e / m ²
Office building	Bâtiments de bureaux	Base Carbone	650,00	kgCO ₂ e / m ²
Renewable energy plant - Biomass plant	Biomass plant - manufacturing country unknown	IPCC AR5	19222000,00	kgCO ₂ e / MW
Renewable energy plant - Geothermal plant	Geothermal plant - manufacturing country unknown	IPCC AR5	8813000,00	kgCO ₂ e / MW
Renewable energy plant - Solar PV plant	Solar PV plant - manufacturing country unknown	IPCC AR5	1266000,00	kgCO ₂ e / MW

7.6.2 Industrial equipment category breakdown

Subcategory	Proxy EF	Proxy EF	Value	EF unit
Air conditioning and industrial refrigeration equipment, unknown mass	Air Conditioning, Refrigeration, And Warm Air Heating Equipment	Carnegie Mellon	657,00	kgCO ₂ e / kUSD
Heating equipment other than warm air furnaces, unknown mass	Heating Equipment Other Than Warm Air Furnaces	Carnegie Mellon	399,00	kgCO ₂ e / kUSD
Industrial process furnaces and ovens, unknown mass	Industrial Process Furnaces And Ovens	Carnegie Mellon	338,00	kgCO ₂ e / kUSD
Internal Combustion Engines, unknown mass	Other Engine Equipment	Carnegie Mellon	447,00	kgCO ₂ e / kUSD
Machines and industrial equipment, unspecified and unknown mass	Machines et équipements	Base Carbone	700,00	kgCO ₂ e / k€
Material handling equipment, unknown mass	Material Handling Equipment	Carnegie Mellon	377,00	kgCO ₂ e / kUSD
Metalworking machines, unknown mass	Cutting And Machine Tool Accessory, Rolling Mill, And Other Metalworking Machines	Carnegie Mellon	347,00	kgCO ₂ e / kUSD
Other machines and industrial equipment, unknown mass	Machines et équipements	Base Carbone	700,00	kgCO ₂ e / k€
Plasticworking machines, unknown mass	Plastics And Rubber Industry Machinery	Carnegie Mellon	327,00	kgCO ₂ e / kUSD
Machines and industrial equipment	Machines - fabrication	Base Carbone	5,50	kgCO ₂ e / kg

7.6.3 Fleet category breakdown

Subcategory	Proxy EF	Proxy EF	Value	EF unit
Heavy-duty vehicles and mobile machinery (SB)	Heavy Duty Trucks	Carnegie Mellon	403,00	kgCO ₂ e / kUSD
Light-duty vehicles and mobile machinery (SB)	Automobiles	Carnegie Mellon	376,00	kgCO ₂ e / kUSD
Aircrafts and jets	Aircraft	Carnegie Mellon	204,00	kgCO ₂ e / kUSD
Heavy-duty vehicles and mobile machinery	Véhicules - fabrication	Base Carbone	5500,00	kgCO ₂ e / tonne
Light-duty vehicles and mobile machinery	Véhicules - fabrication	Base Carbone	5500,00	kgCO ₂ e / tonne

7.6.4 Telecom equipment and IT hardware category breakdown

Subcategory	Proxy EF	Proxy EF	Value	EF unit
IT hardware, unknown quantity	Produits informatiques, électroniques et optiques	Base Carbone	400,00	kgCO ₂ e / k€
Desktop	Ordinateur - fixe - Bureautique	Base Carbone	169,00	kgCO ₂ e / item
Desktop, high performance	Ordinateur - fixe - haute performance	Base Carbone	296,00	kgCO ₂ e / item
Hard drive	Baies de disques	Base Carbone	15,50	kgCO ₂ e / item
IT server	Serveurs informatiques	Base Carbone	600,00	kgCO ₂ e / item
Laptop	Ordinateur - portable	Base Carbone	156,00	kgCO ₂ e / item
Printer, laser	Imprimante - laser	Base Carbone	197,00	kgCO ₂ e / item
Printer, multi-function	Imprimante - multi-fonction	Base Carbone	87,90	kgCO ₂ e / item
Smartphone, < 5 inches	Smartphone - de plus de 5,5 pouces	Base Carbone	39,10	kgCO ₂ e / item
Smartphone, > 5 inches	Smartphone - de 5 pouces	Base Carbone	32,80	kgCO ₂ e / item
Tablet, classic	Tablette - classique - 9 à 11 pouces	Base Carbone	63,20	kgCO ₂ e / item
Video projector	Vidéo projecteur	Base Carbone	94,00	kgCO ₂ e / item

8 Methodology specific features

8.1 General comments on the accuracy

Scope 3 emissions calculations usually have a high level of uncertainty, sometimes as high as 50%. The high level of uncertainty is mainly due to the following two factors:

- **Activity data:** This type of data is usually the result of approximations or aggregation of sectoral data. They serve as an alternative to more costly and precise information.
- **Emission factors:** While both spend-based and mass-based factors have relatively high levels of uncertainty, spend-based EF have higher levels of uncertainty. This is mainly due to the fact that these EF are estimates that do not take in account considerations such as country of production and the type of industrial processes used.

The levels of uncertainty of EF within a sector can vary widely from one source to another. These uncertainties are rarely assessed in detail and there is little information on the disparity within a sector. Consequently, this methodology does not quantify the uncertainties associated to PG&S/CG emissions. Focus is directed to providing a breakdown of GHG emissions between spend-based and mass-based factors, which provides an indication of the result's uncertainty.

In addition, the use of public EF as proxies for specific products brings a fair number of uncertainties. Although likely more representative of sector specificities (product price, type of materials used, etc.), supplier specific EF were not included in the methodology for practical reasons.

Over time, calculations are expected to become more accurate for all users as IAEG members add A&D specific EF. The adoption of this tool will allow users to select the level of accuracy that best corresponds to their available resources while retaining methodological consistency.

8.2 Influence of location and release dates on EF level of certainty

The level of confidence for a factor is derived from a combination between:

- the age of the EF;
- the specificity of its geographical data.

Figure 1 and Figure 2 indicate the level of certainty based on geographical coverage and on the age of the EF.

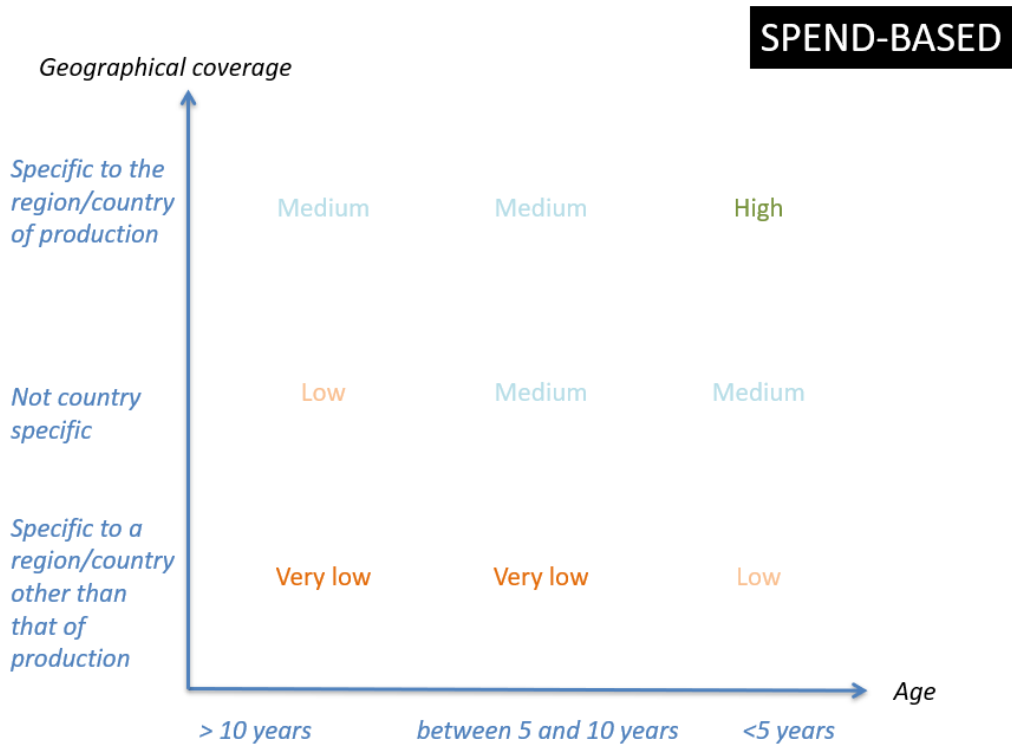


Figure 1 - Level of certainty for different levels of geographical specificity and age for spend-based factors

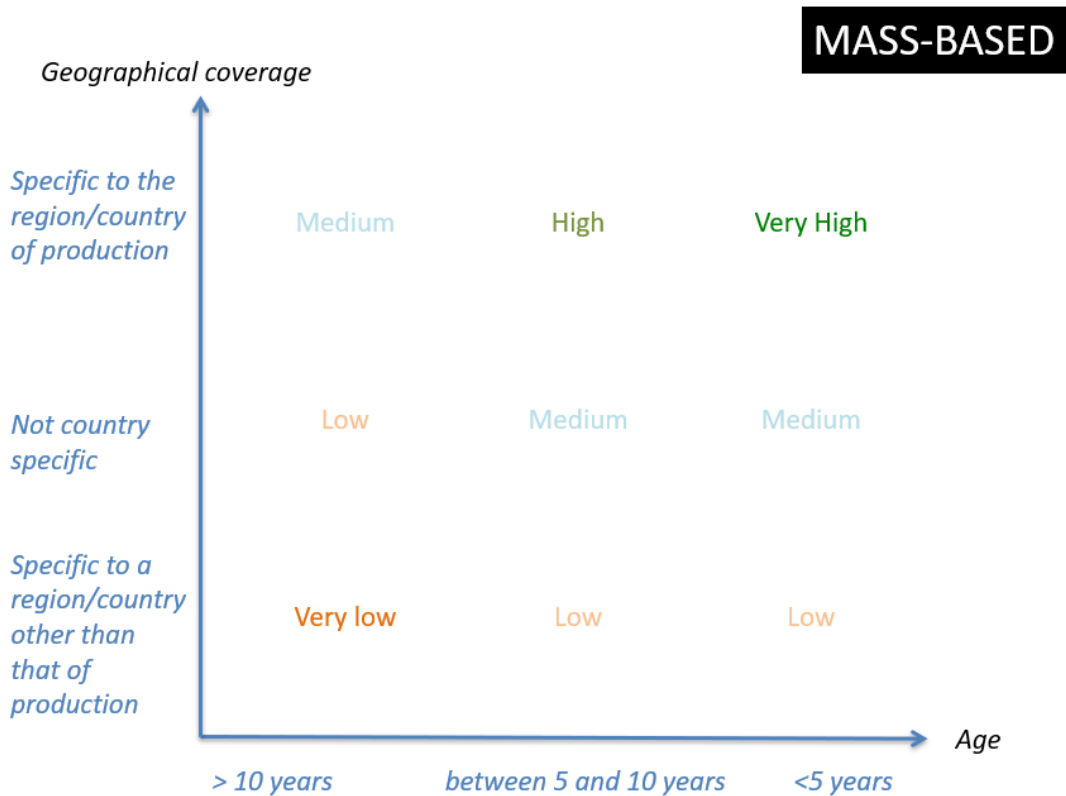


Figure 2 -Level of certainty for different levels of geographical specificity and age for massed-based factors

8.3 EF validity periods

Although the methodology aims for EF released within five years of the reporting date, the methodology does include older EF since some of the public databases use older yet useful comprehensive data. Such consideration is accounted for in an EF's confidence level and the procedure allows for the application of data in the absence of better alternatives. Therefore, the methodology does not prescribe a mandatory validity period for the EF but recommends the use of the most recent reliable EF available.

8.4 Spend based approach specific features

8.4.1 Consideration for inflation

The EF values in the spend-based approach are given in kgCO₂/k\$ and kgCO₂/k€. A drawback of this type of data is the yearly variability associated to economic factors such as inflation. Using a series of American and European inflation rates allows for more reliable results.

A correction functionality located in the "conversion" tab mitigates the variability associated to inflation. Data for a few past years is already incorporated and additional fields are left blank to integrate future yearly inflation rates. See Chapter 9.1 for more information on how to integrate annual inflation data to the tool.

The following example demonstrates how the inflation rate is applied to correct spend-based EF.

Considering that the inflation rate is 2% between year N and year N+1, then:

$$EF_{(\text{year } N+1)} = EF_{(\text{year } N)} / (1+2\%)$$

8.4.2 Consideration for exchange rate

Most EF are obtained from a limited number of geographical locations and expressed in the corresponding currencies. To make them applicable in other geographies and currencies, the use of an exchange rate functionality is integrated in the tool.

Users can collect currency exchange data through public website such as IRS, OFX, or using other reputable sources.

The following example demonstrates how the exchange rate is taken into consideration. As an example, in 2018, US\$1 was worth, on average, €0.848. Therefore, for the year 2018, if the reporting company expenses are in €, EF shall be converted as follows:

$$EF \text{ (in €)} = EF \text{ (in US\$)} \times 0.848$$

8.4.3 Accuracy

The considerable reliance on EEIO EF also brings uncertainty to the users' assessments. The values are based on averages within a category, they do not distinguish between products within a sector, assume linear proportionality between economic activity and environmental burden, usually do not distinguish between domestically produced goods and imports, and are very sensitive to price

fluctuation. The reliance on these values also makes it impossible to bring specific adjustment or refinements in the emissions calculations, such as for differentiating between different types of materials.

8.4.4 **Other effects of currency**

The reliance on currency has significant effects on the accuracy of spend-based factors. Any element that will affect purchasing prices will affect the accuracy of the EF. Among these elements are:

- year-on-year price variability due to market price variations;
- supplier discounts policies.

It is not possible to adjust spend-based calculations to remove these variabilities. Hence, consideration of these limitations is required when selecting the appropriate quantification approach. Users seeking a higher level of accuracy should consider the hybrid-based approach and mass-based approach for their higher level of certainty.

9 Maintaining the database

9.1 Adding the annual average inflation rate

The EF values for the spend-based approach are given in kgCO₂e/k\$ and kgCO₂e/k€. The tool contains already past inflation rates for converting the EF to the current reporting date. In case the average inflation rate is not displayed in the “conversion” tab for the reporting year, the user must collect inflation data using the OECD Inflation tool or using other reputable sources.

[OECD inflation tool](#): to collect yearly inflation rate data, the user can use the inflation indicator chart on OECD’s website. In the ‘Time’ Panel, in the middle-right section of the page, select the **yearly** option. The user can collect the appropriate data by hovering its mouse over the charts for different countries.

Once the yearly inflation rate is known, open the “conversion” tab and enter the appropriate information in the blank field of the “inflation rate” table.

9.2 Adding the currency exchange rate

Final results will likely depend on spend-based EF using both euros and USD. It is therefore important to update the currency exchange rate between these currencies to reflect the latest monetary tendencies.

The users must first collect inflation data using the OECD Inflation tool or using other reputable sources.

- [IRS](#): Known as the United States’ Internal Revenue Service, the institution provides an annual average exchange rate with many national and international currencies.
- [OFX](#): An entity that provides conversions between major currencies. It can also offer specific data depending on the frequency and reporting period.

To integrate the data in the tool, ensure that the year reporting year is entered in the “import data” tab. Open the “conversion” tab and enter the appropriate information in the blank fields of the “currency rate” section.

9.3 Adding supplier specific emission factors

Specific EF provided by members of the aerospace industry may be added to the tool when appropriate and available. The tool is editable and can be modified to add EF by following a specific process: please contact IAEG WG3 for more information.

The IAEG member proposing the EF shall explain the calculation methodology, which will either respect the GHGP standard^{4,6}, the ISO14064-1 norm, or any recognized national referential (particular attention should be given to the choice of the inventory boundaries). GHG footprint analysis limited to scopes 1 and 2 is not appropriate for a cradle to gate EF.

9.4 Adding new raw materials

New raw materials can be integrated in the database to make the method richer and closer to an IAEG member’s purchase inventory.

To do this, the IAEG member should request that IAEG WG3 account for the new raw material and provide the associated mass-based EF. Should the EF be unknown to IAEG WG3, the supplier of the new raw material will be responsible for providing either the corresponding EF with the right level of confidence or to carry out documentary research to find information and propose a robust EF.

9.5 Recommendations for future updates

Future updates of the methodology could target the following two topics:

- the emission factors;
- Integration of user feedback and calculation principles.

9.5.1 Emission factors update

The EF updates should follow the data source's (DoD, Base Impact, etc.) updates. IAEG should monitor these sources' updates on a yearly basis and, if needed, decide the opportune timing for the internal database update. During this yearly review of database updates, IAEG should also keep a look out for new public databases that may complement or replace data in the tool. A new version of the tool with updated EF tables should be communicated to members in accordance with annual reporting timelines in mind.

9.5.2 Integration of user feedback and update of calculation principles

Feedback should be collected from tool users over time to identify opportunities to adjust certain methodological features. Except for a major change requiring rapid action, the necessary changes can be addressed on an annual basis.

Moreover, calculation principles such as product categorization, specific rules, inflation adjustments, etc. should be addressed at the same frequency.

10 Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

This section answers a few questions that commonly arise when dealing with the accounting of GHG emissions for PG&S and CG.

Is the buy-to-fly ratio considered by the methodology for transformed raw materials?

The methodology does not take into consideration any buy-to-flyⁱ ratio. In cases where specific EF are provided by product suppliers, they should respect GHGP's specific requirements regarding consideration of waste and recycled material as discussed in Appendix 3: Compliance to international standards to properly account for the potential buy-to-fly ratio.

What to expect when undergoing a change in approach?

While spend-based EF are convenient and provide a basis for calculating scope 3 emissions, mass-based EF will help users identify more accurately their company's emissions. Hence, it is expected that users will, over time, progress from the spend-based approach to the mass-based approach. The overall reported results might differ significantly on the years when such changes occur due to the sudden increase in EF specificity. This might occur if the company consumes a large quantity of a material for which the more specific mass-based EF differs considerably from the more general spend-based EF. Should a company identify PG&S as a major source of GHG emissions, it is encouraged to use the mass-based approach due to its higher accuracy.

Which EF to select if there are two EF for a single sub-category?

The rules below were used during the development phase of the methodology and is applicable in this context. When more than one factor is available for a given item, the user should determine the relevant action through the following steps:

1. If the EF are associated to different geographical locations, the user should enter the appropriate amount of material (in currency or mass) from each of these different locations.
2. If the EF target the same geographical location and are very similar, priority should be given to the EF with the latest release date.
3. If the EF target the same geographical location and have a discrepancy greater than 30% then the most reliableⁱⁱ database must be selected.

Ideally, only the most recent EF should be considered in the IAEG methodology (typically less than 5 years old). However, older public databases are used because they provide useful EF in a few cases.

Can the emissions of capital goods be amortized over several reporting years?

ⁱ For composite and metallic materials, between the upstream of the value chain (production of the raw material) and the delivery of finished parts to an OEM or a manufacturer, many "losses" of material are accumulated: the "buy-to-fly" ratio explicates the amount of material included in a finished product (purchased and installed by a manufacturer on an A/C for example) compared to the total amount of material used to manufacture this product along the value chain.

ⁱⁱ This judgment is made by the authors of the methodology.

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As directed in the GHG Protocol, the emissions from the production of capital goods must be entirely accounted for in the year of acquisition.

11 Appendices

11.1 Appendix 1: the process leading to the creation of this document

The present document is the result of a collaborative work completed over three key phases.

11.1.1 Phase 1

The first phase is described in Figure 3.

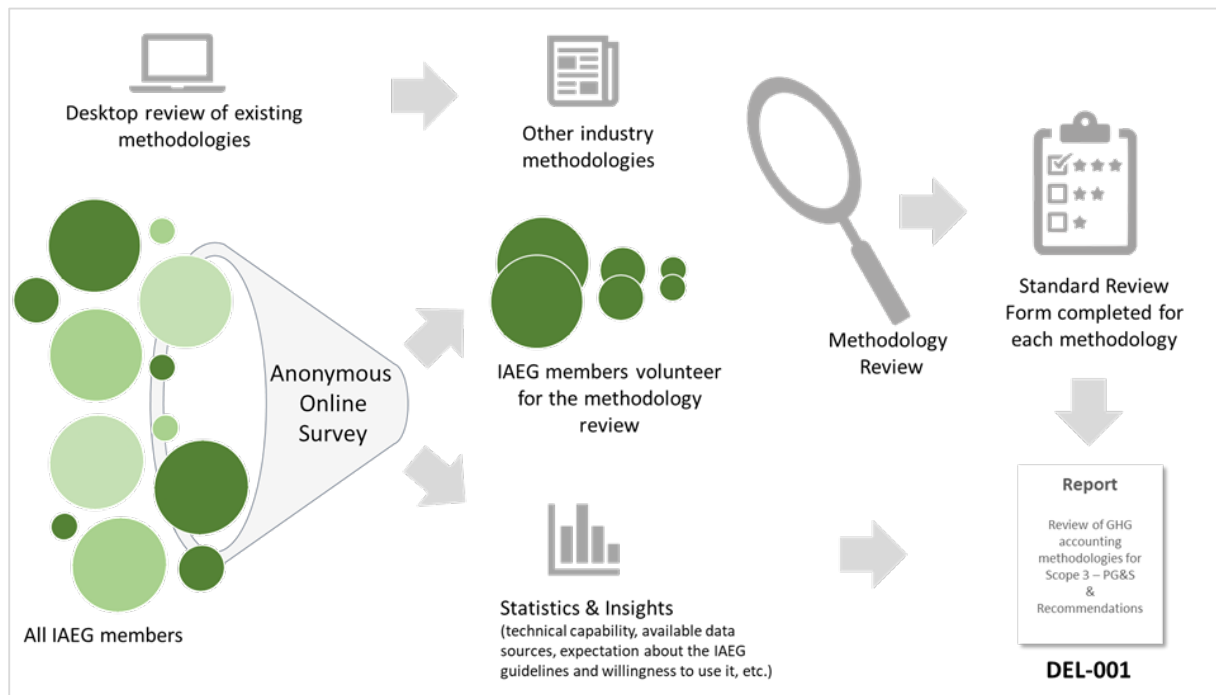


Figure 3 - Overview of the steps taken in Phase 1 of the project

Phase 1 consisted of 4 main steps:

1. Online survey conducted among voluntary IAEG members;
2. Interviews with a selection of IAEG members having previously worked on PG&S emissions assessment;
3. Desktop review of non-IAEG methodologies comprising a specific section on PG&S and/or CG;
4. Interviews with selected non-A&D companies.

A multi-criteria analysis grid was specifically developed to better characterize the different approaches observed, to identify their strengths and weaknesses, and to compare them to IAEG members' main expectations. This approach allowed to:

- Perform a review of the different tactics and practices that IAEG members and other industries use to address Scope 3 PG&S and CG;
- Assess the level of technical capabilities and expectations of IAEG members with regards to Scope 3 PG&S and CG;
- Draft recommendations of methodology requirements & parameters.

11.1.2 Phase 2

A second phase was devoted to establishing final requirements for the methodology.

11.1.3 Phase 3

Phase 3 integrated the results from Phase 1 and Phase 2 to develop the user guide and the methodology, to clarify the categorizations and approaches, and to assemble the required emissions factor.

The user guide and this document – the methodology - are the main deliverable for phase 3 and are complemented by a simple tool for users to perform the calculations.

11.2 Appendix 2: Description of the main databases

11.2.1 DoD database

The US Department of Defense developed in 2016 a guidance for Sustainability Analysis⁷. It presents a standardized framework for conducting a Sustainability Analysis, an assessment of life cycle costs and impacts for weapons systems, equipment, or platforms. The Sustainability Analysis combines life cycle cost (LCC) estimation and life cycle assessment (LCA).

This led to the development of a rich database categorized according to the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) nomenclature. However, most of the factors are limited to a Gate-to-Gate scope.

A supplemental guideline was created to provide a streamlined lifecycle assessment example and demonstrate how to use the data⁸.

11.2.2 Carnegie Mellon database

The Economic Input-Output Life Cycle Assessment (EIO-LCA) method developed by Carnegie-Mellon⁹ estimates the materials and energy resources required for, and the environmental emissions resulting from, activities in our economy. It is used to perform life cycle assessments and evaluate the environmental impacts of a product or process over its entire life cycle. The method uses information about industry transactions - purchase of materials by one firm from other firms - and each firm's direct environmental emissions to estimate the total emissions in the supply chain.

The EIO-LCA method was theorized and developed by economist Wassily Leontief in the 1970s based on his earlier input-output work from the 1930s and for which he received the Nobel Prize in Economics. Researchers at the Green Design Institute of Carnegie Mellon University operationalized Leontief's method in the mid-1990s, once sufficient computing power had become available enough to perform the large-scale matrix manipulations required in real time.

The EIO-LCA database was last updated in 2007, making it quite old with regards to the accuracy required by IAEG.

11.2.3 Description of the USEEIO database

USEEIO¹⁰ is a new, environmentally extended input-output model designed in the United States for assessing organization-wide impacts, identifying purchasing hot spots, analyzing environmental impacts of policies, performing streamlined life cycle assessments, and conducting other sustainable materials management applications.

It has built a life cycle model for 385 US goods and services by melding data on economic transactions between 389 industry sectors and environmental data for these sectors covering land, water, energy and mineral usage, emissions of greenhouse gases, nutrients and toxins, and air pollution criteria. In comparison with existing US input-output models, USEEIO is more recent - most data referring to year 2013; more extensive in its coverage of resources and emissions; more deliberate and detailed in its interpretation and combination of data sources; and includes formal data quality evaluation and description.

All USEEIO files are publicly available, adding a level of transparency to the EEIO models.

The dataset and its method provide useful lifecycle data per dollar (2013 USD) for a multitude of goods and services. The financial basis for the price corresponds to the producer's price. The dataset is categorized in matrices using goods and services' original names to distinguish them from the sector names provided by the Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA). The BEA's sector names are included in the tool for guidance.

11.2.4 ADEME Base IMPACTS database

Base IMPACTS^{® 11} is the official, generic inventory database for the French government's environmental labeling program for consumer products.

The scope of Base IMPACTS[®] respects the following principles:

- It applies to all products currently available on the market, irrespective of how they are distributed.
- It applies to the environmental communication at the purchase or acquisition location.
- It deals with the environmental impacts generated throughout the product lifecycle. It does not cover other sustainable development-related issues.

Base IMPACTS[®] has multiple objectives:

- The objective of the environmental communication is to give consumers practical information concerning the environmental impacts of a product throughout its life cycle as a choice criterion when deciding on a purchase.
- This communication shall be readily understandable for consumers and operationally usable for businesses.
- The environmental communication must allow comparison of products belonging to the same category and, when relevant, between product categories. Relevance for the consumer will be assessed when defining the nomenclature of the product categories.
- The communication shall respect the principles and guidelines of this guide so that the information is comparable, on the one hand, within the same purchase or acquisition location

of a product, and on the other hand, with different purchase or acquisition locations of a product.

- The aim of this good practice guide is to harmonize the environmental communication practices. Implementation of the environmental communication, irrespective of product category, shall be done at an acceptable cost, affordable to any type of business regardless of its size and type of activity (especially for microenterprise and SMEs), and based on accessible scientific knowledge.

Sectoral information is available¹² for electronics, plastics, metals, chemicals, etc.

11.2.5 ADEME Base Carbone database

Base Carbone^{®13} is a French public database of emission factors needed to carry out carbon accounting assessments. It is administered by ADEME (body under the tutelage of the French Ministry for the Ecological and Solidarity Transition), but its governance is headed by several stakeholders and its enrichment is open. Its orientations and the data it contains are validated by a governance committee gathering various public and private actors.

The data of Base Carbone[®] are freely available to all. Moreover, it is unique in that it allows third parties to add their own data. These data are evaluated on their quality and transparency by Base Carbone[®]'s staff and incorporated in the database when validated. Finally, a forum allows users to ask questions about the data or to challenge them.

As of August 2019, more than 2,600 emission factors were available, including spend-based EF for the purchase of goods¹⁴ and the purchase of services¹⁵.

Finally, transparency is one of the keystones of Base Carbone[®].

The database provides documentation detailing the assumptions and references behind each EF.

11.3 Appendix 3: Compliance to international standards

Table 3 summarizes the basic principles of GHG Protocol⁴, ISO14064-1, and ISO/TR 14069¹⁶ requirements and explains how the methodology complies with these requirements.

Table 3: Compliance of the methodology with key ISO 14064-1, ISO 14069, and GHG Protocol requirements

Source	Requirement	This methodology
GHG Protocol	“Extraction, production, and transportation of goods and services purchased or acquired by the reporting company in the reporting year, not otherwise included in Categories 2 – 8” Minimum boundary: “all upstream (cradle-to-gate) emissions of PG&S)” (p. 34)	Transportation-related emissions between the Tier 1 supplier and the company’s gate are accounted for in the other category #4 “Upstream transportation and distribution”. Upstream, transport-related emissions should be included in the EF.
GHG Protocol	“This category [purchased goods and services] includes emissions from all purchased goods and services not otherwise included in the other categories of upstream scope 3 emissions (i.e., category 2 through category 8). Specific categories of upstream emissions are separately reported in category 2 through category 8 to enhance the transparency and consistency of scope 3 reports.” (p. 38)	All expenses related to energy, transportation of people (either through business travel or employee commuting), and transportation of goods are excluded from the current methodology, as they were already addressed by IAEG.
GHG Protocol	“A company’s purchases can be divided into two types: Production-related procurement & Non-production-related procurement” (p. 38)	Supported by the methodology.
GHG Protocol	“Capital goods are final goods that are not immediately consumed or further processed by the company but are used in their current form by the company [...]. Scope 3 emissions from capital goods are reported in category 2 (Capital Goods), rather than category 1 (PG&S).” (p. 39)	Supported by the methodology.

GHG Protocol	“For purposes of accounting for scope 3 emissions, companies should not depreciate, discount, or amortize the emissions from the production of capital goods over time. Instead companies should account for the total cradle-to-gate emissions of purchased capital goods in the year of acquisition, the same way the company accounts for emissions from other purchased products in category 1.” (p. 39)	The methodology respects this prescription from GHG Protocol.
GHG Protocol	“To avoid double counting of emissions from recycling processes by the same company, companies should account for upstream emissions from recycling processes in category 1 and category 2 when the company purchases goods or materials with recycled content. » (p. 46)	The aerospace industry uses minimal amounts of recycled content for safety reasons; this specific issue is thus not considered in the methodology. Should a company wish to add a specific EF for a given material, they shall respect this GHG Protocol requirement in their calculation.
GHG Protocol	<p>Examples of primary data [for « Purchased Goods and Services]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Product-level cradle-to-gate GHG data from suppliers calculated using site-specific data • Site-specific energy use or emissions data from suppliers » <p>Examples of secondary data</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Industry average emission factors per material consumed from life cycle inventory databases » (p. 72) 	The current tool is based on the use of secondary data from public sources for convenience, but it encourages the use of primary data from suppliers, under specific conditions.
GHG Protocol	“Waste may be generated from production processes included in category 1 (Purchased Goods and Services) [...]. If a facility produces waste during production, no emissions from the facility should be allocated to the waste. All emissions from the facility should instead be allocated among the facility’s other outputs. If waste becomes useful and marketable for use in another system, it is no longer considered waste and should be treated like other types of outputs. » (p. 90)	This recommendation applies only to suppliers willing to provide specific EF for their products manufactured from raw materials. In such a case, the supplier will pay attention to this GHG Protocol requirement addressing allocation. See Chapter 10 for more details.

ISO14064-1	« Examples of emission sources and sinks: Emissions from purchased goods and associated with the fabrication of the product. As this could encompass a wide range of products, further subcategorization may be defined by the intended user. For example, subcategorization may distinguish products by type of materials (steel, plastic, glass, electronic, etc.) or by function in the value chain (production-related product versus non-production-related product). This subcategory includes emissions associated with the production of energy purchased (i.e., upstream emissions associated with oil and electricity production) that are not otherwise included in the category for indirect GHG emissions from energy » (p. 23)	The present methodology proposes a subcategorization in line with this requirement (raw materials, product or non-product related, etc.). Upstream emissions associated with oil products or electricity production are not accounted for in the “Purchased goods and services” category, but in the “Fuel- and energy-related activities” category, to remain in line with the GHG Protocol.
ISO14064-1	“Indirect GHG emissions from services used by the organization occur from sources located outside the organizational boundaries. Those emissions might cover a very wide range of services and associated processes. Emissions should be calculated in a “cradle to supplier output gate” approach. Subcategorization may be used by the intended user to differentiate and quantify emissions linked to different types of services used by an organization as described in the examples below : a) Emissions from the disposal of solid and liquid waste b) Emissions from the use of assets are generated through equipment leased by the reporting organization in the reporting year c) Emissions from the use of services that are not described in the above subcategories include consulting, cleaning, maintenance, mail delivery, bank services, etc.” (p. 23)	The methodology only considers the emissions derived from Purchased Goods & Services and Capital Goods (as defined by the Technical Guide for Calculating Scope 3 Emissions ¹⁷).

ISO/TR 14069	“Purchased products include upstream franchises. A franchisee (i.e., an organization that operates franchises and pays fees to a franchisor) reports the franchisor’s activity in this category, including all activities of the franchisor (i.e. an organization that grants licenses to other organizations to sell or distribute its goods or services, in return for payments, such as royalties for the use of trademarks and other services). The franchisor is asked to specify how it has allocated the GHG emissions of its services. » (p. 35)	The aerospace and defense industry does not typically operate under a franchise model. Therefore, this requirement is not considered in this methodology.
ISO/TR 14069	“Organizations often have incomplete records, of purchased goods. ^[L] _{SEP} This is why the organization should clearly describe which purchased goods and services are taken into account and neglected and how this can affect the total GHG emissions. The possible ways to select a certain percentage of the purchased goods or services to be taken into account are the following: embedded GHG emissions of the purchased product; monetary value of purchased amount; ^[L] _{SEP} weight of purchased amount. » (p. 35)	The methodology described here aims at the clear definition of which purchased goods and services are to be taken into account (refer to Chapter 7 for more details). The choice was made to cover all PG&S that could be material to an aerospace company. Within the categories prescribed by the methodology, the reporting company may decide to neglect the emissions of some goods or services. If so, it will have to justify the exclusion by respecting the requirements set in ISO/TR 14069.

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