



EDGAR v4.3.2 Global Atlas of the three major Greenhouse Gas Emissions for the period 1970-2012.

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Abstract: The Emissions Database for Global Atmospheric Research (EDGAR) compiles anthropogenic emissions data for greenhouse gases (GHG) and for multiple air pollutants based on international statistics and emission factors. EDGAR data provides quantitative support for atmospheric modelling and for mitigation scenario and impact assessment analyses as well as for policy evaluation. The new version v4.3.2 of the EDGAR
20 emission inventory provides global estimates, disaggregated to IPCC-relevant source-sector levels, from 1970 (the year of EU's first Air Quality Directive) to 2012 (the end year of the first commitment period of the Kyoto Protocol (KP)). Strengths of EDGAR v4.3.2 include global geo-coverage (226 countries), continuity in time, and comprehensiveness in activities. Emissions of multiple chemical compounds, GHG as well as air pollutants, from relevant sources (fossil fuel activities but also, for example fermentation processes in agricultural activities) are
25 compiled following a bottom-up (BU), fully-traceable and IPCC-based methodology. This paper describes EDGARv4.3.2 developments with respect to three major GHG (CO₂, CH₄, and N₂O) derived from a wide range of human activities apart from the land-use, land-use change and forestry (LULUCF) sector and apart from Savannah burning; a companion paper quantifies and discusses emissions of air pollutants. Detailed information is included for each of the IPCC-relevant source-sectors, leading to global totals for 2010 (in the middle of the
30 first KP commitment period) (with 95% confidence interval in parentheses): 33.6 (±5.9) Pg CO₂/yr, 0.34 (±0.16) Pg CH₄/yr, and 7.2 (±3.7) Tg N₂O/yr. We provide uncertainty factors in emissions data for the different GHGs



- and for three different groups of countries: OECD countries of 1990, countries with economies in transition in 1990, and the remaining countries in development (the UNFCCC non-Annex I parties). We document trends for the major emitting countries together with the European Union in more detail, demonstrating that effects of fuel markets and financial stability have had greater impacts on GHG trends than effects of income or population.
- 5 These data (DOI: https://data.europa.eu/doi/10.2904/JRC_DATASET_EDGAR) are visualised with annual and monthly global emissions grid-maps of 0.1°x0.1° for each source-sector; these data can be freely accessed from the EDGAR website <http://edgar.jrc.ec.europa.eu/overview.php?v=432&SECURE=123>.

1. Historical evolution

- 10 An essential component of the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC, 1992) is the collection of nationally reported inventories and information on these GHG emission inventory time series. At the time the UNFCCC was drafted, the 24 members of the OECD in 1990 and 16 other European countries and Russia were considered liable of “*the largest share of historical and current global emissions of GHG*” and taken up in Annex I to the UNFCCC. These Annex I countries and the European Union¹ submit annually complete inventories of GHG emissions from the 1990 base year² until the latest year for which full accounting is
- 15 completed and reviewed (typically with two-year time lag) and these inventories are all reviewed to ensure transparency, completeness, comparability, consistency and accuracy³. This allows for most of these Annex I countries to track progress towards their reduction targets committed under the Kyoto Protocol (UNFCCC, 1997). Other (non-Annex I) countries are encouraged to submit their GHG inventories as part of their National Communications and Biennial Update Reports (BUR). The GHG inventories of non-Annex I countries were
- 20 required to cover CO₂, CH₄ and N₂O emissions for one year (1990 or 1994), without specific documentation and only subject to a brief review. However, the Paris Agreement (UNFCCC, 2015) requests to submit every 2 years BURs⁴, which are subject to international consultation and analysis. Theoretically, UNFCCC should receive at the latest after two years national emissions inventories from each of the 197 countries, but as shown in Figure 1a not all countries did provide a national inventory and 154 countries did not provide a complete time series of

¹ This includes the 28 Member States of the European Union (EU) as of 1st of July 2013.

² For some economies in transition another year, such as 1988 or 1989 can be chosen under UNFCCC as base year. These GHG emissions are mainly sources but do include also carbon stock sinks for which the human-induced part needs to be assessed with care (Grassi et al., 2018).

³ These 5 principles of a good reporting practice are defined in the UNFCCC guidelines for national GHG inventory, e.g. <https://pdfs.semanticscholar.org/3c30/a1bd769dee5299746e0af825c7ab4ed55fba.pdf>. EDGAR uses the term “comprehensiveness” to summarise these principles.

⁴ The first BUR submitted should cover the inventory for the year no more than 4 years prior to the submission data, and subsequent BURS should be submitted every 2 years, but flexibility is given to least developed countries and small island developing states.



inventories. In addition many countries lack a well-developed statistical infrastructure, which is needed for a bottom-up (BU) inventory. Figure 1b presents the latest year that is covered with a national inventory, which dates for quite some countries more than 10 years ago: for most South-East Asian countries this is between 2004 and 2007 and for most African countries between 2000 and 2003.

- 5 As such, the collection of national reports/communications do not provide a complete, consistent and comparable global dataset, which can be used to understand the global budgets of the most important GHG emissions and their impact on climate. Very few bottom-up inventories of global anthropogenic emissions have been produced with continued effort for more than 2 decades. The Carbon Dioxide Information Analysis Centre (CDIAC) (Boden et al., 2017; Andres et al., 2014) and the Emissions Database for Global Atmospheric Research (EDGAR) (Olivier et al., 2016a,b) provide global totals, whereas the IEA provides CO₂ estimates from fuel
10 combustion only and the FAO CH₄ from agriculture only. While CDIAC ceased operation in September 2017, the Open-source Data Inventory for Anthropogenic CO₂ (ODIAC) (Oda et al., 2018) continued to use the CDIAC data and combined these with geospatial proxies (including night light satellite maps) to provide CO₂ grid-maps, as also EDGAR is doing (using other geospatial proxies). In addition, the new Community Emissions
15 Data System (CEDS) of Hoesly et al. (2018) built upon existing inventories to provide a new gridded dataset of all emission species for the Climate Model Inter-comparison Programme CMIP6.

- The scientific community started to bring together these anthropogenic BU emissions with top-down estimates covering also the natural component to obtain the Global Carbon Budget (GCB) (Le Quéré et al., 2018) and the Global Methane Budget (Saunois et al., 2016). These budgets are important input for the Global Stock take the
20 the Paris Agreement envisages from 2023 onwards (with the submitted inventories for 2021). Even though significant progress in inventory compilation has been made, the overall uncertainty of the global total has become larger over time because the share of emissions from non-Annex I countries (with less developed statistical infrastructure) increased from less than 40% in 1990 to more than 60% in 2012, as shown in Figure 2.

- To support both science and policy making with the monitoring and verification of the GHG emissions, it is
25 important that emissions are estimated by using comparable methodologies, consistent source allocation and comprehensive coverage of the globe. The EDGAR v4.3.2 global inventory illustrates the result of a bottom-up technology-based compilation of country- and sector-specific emission time series 1970-2012. Furthermore, the monthly resolution and global grid-maps at a spatial resolution of 0.1°x0.1° allow direct use in atmospheric models as well as in analyses of policy impacts. The first version of the Emissions Database for Global
30 Atmospheric Research (EDGAR v2) answered the needs of the air quality community to map technological parameters of air pollution sources and was published by Olivier et al. (1996). Since then, several updated versions (Olivier, 2002) were released (EDGAR-HYDE, EDGAR v3.2, EDGAR 3.2 FT2000). Driven by the development of scientific knowledge on emission generating processes and by the availability of more recent information, the EDGARv4 datasets were constructed as new factors and additional end-of-pipe abatement
35 measures⁵. Previous EDGAR versions v4.1 and v4.2 (available at <http://edgar.jrc.ec.europa.eu/index.php#>) are

⁵ The specification of the combustion technology and its end-of-pipe abatement is more important for air pollutants and aerosols than for greenhouse gases. CO₂ combustion emissions are fuel-determined and carbon



interim frozen datasets without peer-reviewed documentation, but nevertheless extensively used by modellers. Illustrative examples of the EDGARv4 use are given in Table S5 of the Supplementary Information.

The new online version EDGAR v4.3.2 is the main reference for the EDGARv4 datasets, and is the subject of this paper. We focus on the three key GHG emission components, describing the methodology, emission sources, activity data and emission factors. The non-CO₂ GHG emissions are also provided to the IEA for the annual publication of emissions from fuel combustion (Olivier and Janssens-Maenhout, 2016b). The EDGAR v4.3.2 frozen dataset for 1970-2012 is used to produce the updates from 2013 onwards, derived with a fast track (FT) approach (e.g. EDGARv4.3.2_FT2016). Under the FT update the activities are grouped into five main source sectors and for each of the latter trends of most recent activity statistics are used. These are derived by data provided by the latest IEA (2016) and BP (2017) statistics in terms of fuel trend indicators that are applied to the fossil fuel combustion sector. For the other main sectors we use most recent commodity statistics from the US Geological Survey, the World Steel Association and the International Fertiliser Association, as explained in more detail in Olivier et al. (2016a). The methodology and activity data are also used to estimate corresponding gaseous and particulate air pollutant emissions, as part II of the EDGAR v4.3.2 release (Crippa et al., 2018). Other EDGARv4 air pollutants inventories are EDGAR v4.3.1 (Crippa et al., 2016a; Huang et al., 2017), EDGAR v4tox1 (Muntean et al., 2014) and EDGAR v4tox2 (Muntean et al., 2018).

2. Method

2.1 Bottom-up emission calculation

Using a pragmatic approach based on latest scientific knowledge, available global statistics, and methods recommended by IPCC (2006), emissions (EM) from a given sector i in a country C accumulated during a year t for a chemical compound x are calculated with the country-specific activity data (AD), quantifying the activity for sector i , with the mix of j technologies ($TECH$) and with the mix of k (end-of-pipe) abatement measures (EOP) installed with share k for each technology j , the emission rate with uncontrolled emission factor (EF) for each sector i and technology j and relative reduction (RED) by abatement measure k , as summarized in the following formula:

$$EM_i(C, t, x) = \sum_{j,k} [AD_i(C, t) * TECH_{i,j}(C, t) * EOP_{i,j,k}(C, t) * EF_{i,j}(C, t, x) * (1 - RED_{i,j,k}(C, t, x))] \quad (1)$$

The activity data are very sector dependent and vary from fuel consumption in energy units (TJ) of a particular fuel type, to the amount (ton) of products manufactured, and to the number of animals or the area (ha) and yield (ton) of cultivated crops. The technology mixes, (uncontrolled) emission factors and end-of-pipe measures, are

capture and storage is not yet at operational level implemented and not considered here. However abatement is considered for e.g. CH₄ recovery of coal mines and technology and end-of-pipe abatement are important for both adipic and nitric acid plants. Finally management of crop cultivation (e.g. for rice) or of manure are accounted for by technology-specific emission factors for CH₄ and N₂O.



determined at different levels: country-specific, regional, country group (e.g. Annex I/ non-Annex I), or global. Technology-specific emission factors are used to allow a tier-2 approach, taking into account the different management/technology processes or infrastructures (e.g. different distribution networks) under specific "technologies", and modelling explicitly abatements/reductions e.g. the CH₄ recovery from coal mine gas at country level under the "end-of-pipe measures". Just as like national inventories, EDGAR v4.3.2 starts from accounting over a period of time, one calendar year, and over a well-defined region, the country in which the emissions took place. The yearly accounting allows to cancel out monthly or daily fluctuations and hold-ups in the trading amongst the countries.

The sector-specific total emissions of substance x for country C in year t are then distributed in time and space using sector- and even technology-specific monthly shares m and spatial proxy datasets f . The proxy datasets are expressed in function of coordinates (longitude, latitude) weighted at country level and with the Heaviside function equalling 1 when the grid cell belongs to the country area according to the following formula:

$$em_i(lon, lat, t, x) = EM_i(C, t, x) \frac{m_{i,j}(C)}{\sum_{k=1, \dots, 12} m_{i,j}(C)} \frac{f_{i,j}(lon, lat, t)}{\sum_{lon, lat} (f_{i,j}(lon, lat, t) \cdot H(C, lon, lat))} \quad (2)$$

with $H(C, lon, lat) = \text{fraction of gridcell within } C$

While the monthly shares are more specified in a generic way (only varying with the latitudinal region and with the sectors), the spatial proxy datasets take into account point-source information at sub-sector level (facilities) that can change from year to year.

2.2 Sector definition and data sources

The energy-related sector (with largest share in total GHG emissions) require less detailed information on "technologies" than the agriculture- and waste-related sectors do require on the "practices" applied⁶. This imbalance of the requirements for a higher level of detail for less important sources in terms of contribution to the national total is against the normal expectation (and time efficiency) of expanding more efforts on those sources having largest impact on the national totals (Pulles, 2018).

All the sources of Table 1a defined under the sectors and codes used in the IPCC (1996) guidelines, Chapter 1 of Vol. 1 Reporting Instructions and converted into the new IPCC (2006a) guidelines, Chapter 8 of Vol.1 Guidance and Reporting are considered, except the Land-Use, Land-Use Change and Forestry (LULUCF) sector.⁷ Contrary to the other sectors, LULUCF is not covered by annual, statistical assessments of the goods ("trees") but needs geographical and/or remote sensing information as AD. For the emission sources and sinks related to carbon stock changes in the subcategory "Forest-land-remaining-forest-land", we refer to Petrescu et al. (2012), and for

⁶ CO₂ emissions depend on the total mass and carbon content of the fuel and not much on the type of combustion technology, while CH₄ emissions depend strongly on the types of fermentation processes in addition to the total mass and composition of the decomposing organic matter.

⁷ EDGAR includes autoproducer emissions in 1A1a and not in the industrial sector where they are generated.



the large-scale biomass burning (including forest fires, Savannah burning, grassland and woodland fires), we refer to GFED (Van der Werf et al., 2010), GFAS (J. Kaiser et al, 2012) or FINN (Wiedinmeyer et al., 2011).

Most AD for the EDGAR v4.3.2 are taken from international statistics, screened for completeness and consistency by EDGAR routines, removing outliers (clerical errors, wrong units) and gaps in time (missing single year) with a linear interpolation of the previous and the following year. Preference is given to international statistics such as those of IEA (2014) and FAOSTAT (2014) over regional offices, such as EuroStat or national statistical bureaux in order to profit from international definitions (e.g. for fuel types by IEA), inter-comparability amongst countries and the data quality and control by IEA or FAO. For China and USA, national data from the Chinese Bureau for statistics and the US Energy Industry Administration respectively are consulted to assess and fill possible gaps in AD with consumption of fuels (fossil and bio) and of products (mainly metals, non-metallic minerals such as cement, chemicals, solvents). For EU28, the biofuel statistics of EuroStat are used as they are updated faster than the IEA fuel statistics.

Where possible, GHG emission factors are selected from IPCC (2006b) to ensure consistent and complete time series, which are comparable across countries. The representativeness of default emission factors and the effectiveness of implemented control measures for the different regions are assessed based on expert judgement and consulting annual Inventory Reports of Annex I countries to the UNFCCC (2014, 2016) or National Communications and Update Reports from some most important non-Annex I countries to UNFCCC (2014, 2012, 2017). Clean Development Mechanism projects (UNEP DTU, 2011) are taken into account in non-Annex I countries to account for abatement measures of CH₄ and N₂O emissions via CH₄ recovery from coal mining and landfills and N₂O reduction in nitric and adipic acid production.

Industrial process emissions have been calculated with the minerals statistics of the US Geological Survey (USGS, 2014). For the agricultural activities we consulted EU's Common Agricultural Policy Regionalised Impact (CAPRI) model and derived implied (weighted) emission factors which are representing country-specific technologies and practices. For the waste sector we applied the IPCC First Order Decay (FOD) model of IPCC (2006c) that is driven by the annual per capita generated municipal solid waste, the fraction deposited in landfills, and the fraction degradable organic carbon for the solid waste disposal emissions, whereas the chemical and biochemical oxygen demand are used to calculate the wastewater emissions.

Table 1b details the applied sector-specific and, where needed, region-specific data sources (activity statistics and emission factor with model parameters) on fuel balances, traded industrial products, crops, livestock and waste. For the agriculture and waste more detailed description with the model parameters is given under the "emission factor" heading. EDGAR v4.3.2 aims to collect all underlying human activity statistics and not to model the emissions directly in function of the income, population or other proxy data. Table 1b uses the same main categories of Table 1a: energy, fugitive, industrial processes, solvents and products use, agriculture, waste and other (indirect N₂O emissions and fossil fuel fires). All emissions data can be downloaded also at subcategory level and are unambiguously identified with the IPCC (1996) code.



2.3 Temporal profiles for the monthly distribution of the annual emissions

The legal reporting obligations under UNFCCC require time series of annual inventories, in line with the output of most national statistics infrastructures with accurate, annual accounting. In addition, for the atmospheric models, a higher temporal resolution is essential.

- 5 Table S4a summarizes the sector specific monthly profiles applied to the aggregated sectors for each GHG in the northern hemisphere. The largest variation is found in the temporal profiles for the agricultural sector (see Fig. S2a in the Supplement), then in the emissions from residential heating and the smallest variation is present for the road transport and power generation sector. Covering regions from all over the world, a reverse profile is applied to the southern hemisphere, reflecting the opposite seasonality. No seasonal pattern is used for the
- 10 equatorial region, defined within the range of [30°S, 30°N] latitude. For more refined time profiles (hourly) and in-depth analysis of the temporal distribution we refer to Huang et al. (2018) and Andres et al. (2011). Comparison of the EDGAR v4.3.2 monthly profiles and those used for other global emission products (Andres et al., 2011; Hoesly et al., 2018; Janssens-Maenhout et al., 2015) is given in Figure S2b.

2.4 Proxy data for the spatial distribution of the country total emissions

- 15 For visualisation and as an input to global chemistry transport and climate models, the EDGAR v4.3.2 database distributes anthropogenic pollutant emissions over a uniform, global 0.1°x0.1° grid defined with lower left coordinates. In emission inventories the emissions can be emitted either from a single point source or distributed over a linear source (e.g. roads) or over an area source (e.g. agricultural fields), depending on the source sector or subsector. The line and area sources are distributed over the grid cells with the proxy data covering the globe
- 20 entirely or partially, whereas the point sources are allocated to individual grid cells and reported as the area average of the sum of the point sources for that grid cell.

The proxy datasets that are used to grid different sector-specific sources are given in Table S4b of the Supplement. A detailed description is available in the EDGAR gridding manual (Janssens-Maenhout et al., 2013). The spatial grid-maps are graphical representations of the country totals, making use of spatial proxy data.

- 25 EDGAR tries to allocate as much as possible the human activity to the places where it is reported: on the place of the industrial facilities (several point source databases), or using the road network, or the housing. Alternatives would be to use night light satellite data, as done by Oda et al. (2018) or only the population proxy as proposed by Andres et al. (2016), but we feel our proxy data more in line with our BU approach of allocating the emission to the place of the emission source. We do not recommend an uncertainty analysis of the proxy data itself, but a
- 30 sensitivity assessment of the representativeness of the selected proxy data using. This needs atmospheric transport modeling and is taken up in the CHE project.

2.5 Uncertainty assessment of the greenhouse gas emissions

Uncertainties associated with emission of greenhouse gases stem from several sources, broadly described in Vol.1, Chapt.3, section 3.1.5 of the IPCC (2006) Guidelines. The uncertainties in this section are those caused by

- 35 'statistical random sampling error', that can primarily be thought of epistemic nature (lack of knowledge, thus



reducible by gathering more data) but also including an aleatory component (uncertainty due to intrinsic randomness, therefore uncompressible) (see e.g. Beven et al., 2016). As already pointed out by, e.g., Gütschow et al. (2016), the heterogeneity of reporting, lack of documentation, differences, ranges of uncertainties, sector aggregation, all factor to make difficult to compare, compile, and combine the multiple sources of information and to convey to a robust, coherent, estimate of uncertainty. EDGAR uncertainties are currently subject of scrutiny and further investigated under the European (Horizon 2020) research projects CO₂ of Human Emissions (CHE, <https://www.chc-project.eu/>) and Observation-based system for monitoring and verification of greenhouse gases (VERIFY, <http://verify.lsce.ipsl.fr/>).

This section presents an analysis of uncertainty per country grouping and gas, calculated using the Eq (4) and the parameters reported in Table 2, which also identifies a few countries as examples of GHG emissions reporting.

$$\sigma_{GHG} = \frac{\sqrt{(\sigma_{CO_2} EM_i(CO_2))^2 + (\sigma_{CH_4} EM_i(CH_4))^2 + (\sigma_{N_2O} EM_i(N_2O))^2}}{EM_i(CO_2) + 25EM_i(CH_4) + 298EM_i(N_2O)} \quad (4)$$

In accordance to IPCC tiered approach to infer uncertainties to emission factors as well as to activity data, the analysis here assumes that countries adhering to 24OECD90 countries⁸ were economically stable and thus they would already have, or be able to, build a good statistical infrastructure and have the lowest uncertainties in their inventories. On the same line, the 16EIT90 countries⁹ have experienced greater economic instability, and their inventories are more uncertain than those of the 24OECD90, but less uncertain than those from the other remaining non-Annex I countries. Exceptions to the country grouping are made for the following new or historic trading nations, China, Russia and India, because of global proliferation of emission-regulated goods, as Crippa et al. (2016b) analysed for air pollution.

All uncertainties are reported in Tables 3, 4 and 5 within twice the standard deviation (σ) of the mean value, corresponding to a 95% confidence interval of the sample. This is a larger uncertainty range than the $\pm 1\sigma$ selected by the Global Carbon Budget 2017 (Le Quéré, 2018), but in line with IPCC recommendations. For comparative shares and trends in biofuel or non CO₂ GHG emissions, data on gases and sources are much more uncertain than for fossil fuel CO₂. While Denier van der Gon et al. (2015) indicate that country-specific estimates of CO₂ from biofuel burning emissions are particularly difficult to ascertain, Tian et al. (2015) estimate the large uncertainties in CH₄ and N₂O budgets. The uncertainties in these emissions are caused by the scarcity and limited accuracy of the corresponding international activity statistics combined with the use of less representative country-wide emission factors (Olivier, 2002; Olivier et al., 2010). Using Eq (4) the uncertainty estimate in the global total anthropogenic CO₂ emissions is of $\pm 9\%$, that is slightly higher the estimate of 8.4%

⁸ Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Switzerland, Germany, Denmark, Spain, Finland, France, United Kingdom, Greece, Ireland, Iceland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, The Netherlands, Norway, New Zealand, Portugal, Sweden, Turkey, USA

⁹ Bulgaria, Belarus, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Estonia, Croatia, Hungary, Lithuania, Latvia, Malta, Poland, Romania, Russia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Ukraine



by Andres et al. (2014), most probably since EDGAR v4.3.2 also includes the highly uncertain waste incineration, urea and liming activities (IPCC (2006a) reports an uncertainty associated with the default emission factors for CO₂ of 40%, for waste incineration), which are not part of the analysis by Andres et al. (2014).

CO₂ uncertainty can vary significantly among countries (Marland et al., 1999; Olivier et al., 2014). Larger
5 uncertainties of about $\pm 15\%$ are obtained for non-Annex I countries, whereas uncertainties of less than $\pm 5\%$ are obtained for the 24 OECD90 countries for the time series from 1990 (Olivier et al, 2015) reported to UNFCCC. For emissions of CH₄ and N₂O, we estimate uncertainties of $\pm 32\%$ and $\pm 42\%$, respectively, for 24OECD90 countries and $\pm 57\%$ and $\pm 93\%$ for the other countries. These are based on the default uncertainty estimates of IPCC (2006) and in line with Bun et al. (2010). These are higher than the estimates of $\pm 25\%$ and $\pm 30\%$ by UNEP
10 (2012) but justified by the large uncertainties reported by Tubiello et al. (2015) for the FAO activity statistics of $\pm 30\%$ and $\pm 50\%$ for crop and livestock.

As for the uncertainty of the emission grid-maps, Fig. 9 of Andres et al. (2016) reports a population map's uncertainty in excess of 150% for Europe, Western USA, China, etc. Such uncertainty, when propagated into the emission calculations will likely outweigh the combined uncertainty of activity data and emission factors,
15 especially for CO₂. Also according to Hogue et al (2016) is the uncertainty on CO₂ mapping “with 1°x1° grid cells for the United States is typically on the order of $\pm 150\%$ ”. In light of the high impact of spatial proxy on the overall uncertainty, the authors wanted to focus on a complete uncertainty assessment of the emission grid-maps in collaboration with the atmospheric modelling community, evaluating carefully a useful covariance matrix. Observation-based verification of European CH₄ and N₂O emissions using inverse modelling (e.g. Bergamaschi
20 et al., 2015; 2017) indicates that the relatively low uncertainty estimates for some countries are not consistent with the relatively large uncertainty estimates of others, and for CH₄ a common uncertainty band in the upper range is considered more appropriate.

3. Results bottom-up versus top-down

25 The atmospheric composition can be addressed either top-down (TD), using atmospheric composition (and measurements, such as total column measurements by satellite imagery), or bottom-up (BU), summing up the different emissions released by the different activities. Both are needed and complementary to each other: BU estimates relate to drivers and are of prime interest to policy makers, whereas TD estimates relate to observations and are of prime interest to scientists. The two approaches have atmospheric transport models in common as link
30 and allow to cross-check the consistency between the two approaches. Several assessments have been carried out: in the air quality community (e.g. Solazzo and Galmarini, 2015) as well as in the carbon cycle community under the Global Carbon Project with the GCB of Le Quéré et al. (2018) and the global methane budget of Saunio et al. (2016). EDGARv4.3.2 only focuses on the BU calculated anthropogenic part of the emissions and gets only posterior feedback on the use of the datasets by atmospheric modellers on the grid-maps of which
35 examples are listed in Table S5. The use of the emission grid-maps indicated the sensitivity of the emission grid-maps to the choice of spatial proxy data. The spatial representativeness needs to be checked by measured data, such as from remote sensing (e.g., Yu et al., 2017). This was so far most successful for air pollutants: NO_x (Ding et al., 2017), SO₂ (Liu et al., 2018), CO (Hooghiemstra et al., 2011) and CH₄ (Bergamaschi et al., 2015, Saunio



et al., 2017). In the 2018 the GCB used the spatial patterns of the EDGAR grid-maps and might give feedback in the future.

3.1 The global CO₂ budget

Table 3 summarises the main features of eight global CO₂ atlases and/or inventories: EDGAR v4.3.2, GCB (Le Quéré et al., 2016, 2018), the PKU-FUEL (Wang et al., 2013) and the ODIAC2016 (Oda et al., 2018; Oda and Maksyutov, 2011), CDIAC (Andres et al., 2014), EIA (2014), IEA (2014) and BP (2017) in temporal and spatial characteristics, sector break-down, methodology and CO₂ totals for major source categories in 2010 (which, for PKU-FUEL, was approximated by the latest available year, 2007).

Despite the substantially different levels of detail for the fuel use calculations, the global totals are relatively similar. At global level the differences in CO₂ emissions between IEA (2014) and EDGAR v4.3.2 are around 4%, which can be explained largely by the difference in overall emission factors used (differences due to different default values for the carbon content and oxidation factors in IPCC (2006) and IPCC (1996)). This yields 2%, 1% and 0.5% higher CO₂ emissions from coal, oil and gas combustion respectively, and increases overall fossil fuel emissions by about 1.3%. In addition, the latest IEA statistics for recent years show more updated values for fuel consumption than for years further in the past. Marland et al. (1999) compared for the first time the EDGAR and CDIAC datasets. Andres et al. (2012) followed this further with a more detailed analysis of the differences between the global CO₂ datasets available in 2012, including the 2012 version of CDIAC, IEA, EIA and EDGAR v4.2 (EC-JRC/PBL, 2011). One of the remaining differences is that the flaring in EDGAR v4.3.2 is twice as high as in CDIAC and EIA, which is explained by the different estimation method for the activity data (reported energy statistics in CDIAC and EIA versus satellite night lights of flaring from Elvidge (2009) in EDGAR). Although the different EDGAR datasets deviate less than 0.5% for Annex I countries, this deviation becomes 3.4% for non-Annex I countries (see Figure S3 in the Supplementary).

Larger differences are seen for the non-combustion CO₂ emissions. Fig. 6a examines the most important ones comparing process emissions of the non-metallic sector (cement, lime, dolomite limestone, ceramics and glass production) of EDGAR v4.3.2, Le Quéré et al. (2016) and Xi et al. (2016). CO₂ from cement production in EDGAR v4.3.2 is 13% (19%) lower than in Xi et al. (2016) (based on CDIAC) because of the correction for the fraction of clinker in the cement produced. The EDGARv4.3.2 data provides cement production emission estimates very close to the estimates of Andrew (2018) as reported in Figures 3 and 4. A further large difference is found for developing countries, especially those with emerging economy. Fig. 6b zooms in with the total CO₂ emissions regionally on China and compares EDGAR v4.3.2 estimates per sector with those of Guan et al. (2012) and Liu et al. (2015), who brought a large underestimation respectively overestimation in the Chinese CO₂ inventory to the broad attention of scientists and media. Guan et al. (2012) indicated the 1.4 Gton CO₂ gap in the national total compared to the sum of the provincial statistics and proposed 9.1 Gton CO₂ in 2010. The EDGAR v4.3.2 estimate of 8.8 ton CO₂ for 2010 differ only by -3%, which is composed of a difference of -19% for the fossil fuel combustion emissions and of +27% for the process emissions. In 2015 China revised its coal statistics with lower coal carbon content and the energy consumption was considerably decreased (for coal power plants with -12%). Liu et al. (2015) published coal carbon content for 4200 Chinese mines and analysed the



impact on the total CO₂ from combustion in China. EDGAR v4.3.2 revised the activity data for 1990-2012 and obtained for 2010 an emission reduction for power generation of -8% and for the CO₂ total of -2% only. Although Liu et al. (2015) reported 14% lower emissions compared to EDGAR, this is effectively only 6% (below the uncertainty range for China's CO₂ emissions) when correcting for the flaring, coke production, chemicals production and limestone which were not accounted for in their study. This illustrates the importance of clearly documented datasets for data comparisons and further understanding the sources of discrepancies. The higher estimate of Liu et al. (2015) can be understood by his 3 % lower average net calorific value¹⁰ than the default of IPCC (2006) used by EDGAR.

3.2 The global CH₄ budget

Table 4 compares the EDGAR v4.3.2 global CH₄ estimates of 0.34 (±0.16) Pg CH₄ /yr with four other global datasets (the bottom-up inventories of US EPA, 2012 and GAINS¹¹ Eclipse v5 of Höglund-Isaksson et al., 2012); and the global budgets of Kirschke et al., 2013 and Saunio et al., 2016). Even though the global total CH₄ emissions for the bottom-up inventories vary less than 4%, global annual emissions from the agricultural and fossil fuel production sectors vary with ±22% and ±17%, respectively. The top-down inventory estimates are 16% ~ 29% larger than the bottom-up ones.

Figure 7a illustrates the origin of the large variations in the estimated fugitive emissions of oil and gas production (including extraction, transmission and distribution). Large uncertainties in CH₄ from venting and flaring at oil & gas extraction facilities have been reported by e.g. Lyon et al. (2015) or Peischl et al. (2015). The CH₄ venting of oil and gas extraction facilities is, in particular during the times of the Soviet Union, now believed to be larger than previously thought (e.g. in EDGAR v4.2 or US EPA), after Höglund-Isaksson (2017) used ethane-methane ratios as an indicator. Additionally, gas distribution is a relative large source of uncertainty, in particular in countries with old gas distribution city networks using steel pipes now distributing dry rather than wet gas, with potentially more leakages. Based on IPCC (2006), EMEP/EEA (2009, 2013) and Marcogaz (2013), the emission factors for steel and grey cast iron pipelines vary in the range of 0.1 ~ 7 ton/km/yr whereas this is a factor 2 lower for PVC and polyethylene pipelines. The difference in composition of the gas distribution networks is taken into account in EDGAR v4.3.2 with country-specific variations in emission factors. The high CH₄ emissions during the natural gas transmission in the Russian reporting to UNFCCC (2016) might also account for all or part of accidental CH₄ releases, which are not negligible according to Höglund-Isaksson (2017). These are not included in the EDGAR datasets.

China is currently the top emitter of CH₄ because it has become the largest coal producer and it is a major rice cultivator. While the fugitive CH₄ emissions from coal production in China are increasing, emissions from rice

¹⁰ This difference in average net calorific value results from a 8% difference in non-oxidation fraction and a 2% difference in energy-specific carbon content.

¹¹ Greenhouse Gas - Air Pollution Interactions and Synergies (GAINS) project of IIASA under <http://gains.iiasa.ac.at/models/>



cultivation are decreasing, as shown in Fig. 7b. The emission factor $\text{CH}_4/\text{ha/yr}$ for irrigated rice fields has been reduced from 1970 to 2000 by $\sim 1/3$ by changing farming practices, as reported by Li et al. (2002), resulting in $0.47 \text{ kg CH}_4/\text{ha/yr}$ for the last decade. A comparison with Peng et al. (2016) illustrates the large range of emission factors used: the emission factor in EDGARv4.3.2 for rice cultivation is twice as high than in Peng et al. (2016). Also for the coal mining the CH_4 emission factor for China in EDGARv4.3.2 is 9% higher than in Peng et al. (2016). EDGAR v4.3.2 revised emission factors for coal mining with local data from Peng et al. (2016), weighted by coal mine activity per province. These emission factors are at the lower end of IPCC (2006b) recommendations and yield EDGAR v4.3.2 estimates of 17.2Tg in 2008 and 21.2Tg in 2012, which are comparable to estimates of Peng et al. (2016) within $\pm 2\text{Tg}$.

Total CH_4 emissions in EDGAR v4.3.2 in 2005 are 2% (3%) lower than in the v4.2 (4.1) version, which has been used in global inverse modelling studies of Monteil et al. (2011), Bergamaschi et al. (2013, 2015, 2017), Ganesan et al. (2015), Kort et al. (2008), Miller et al. (2013). Except of the Chinese coal mining, no other major shortcomings to v4.2 were indicated in these global studies. More regional inverse modelling studies are nowadays able to “verify” the CH_4 emissions better (such as Henne et al. (2016) for Switzerland) and first atmospheric model runs with EDGARv4.3.2 CH_4 emissions started recently. Total emissions have not changed significantly for either EU28 or the USA, but there are changes in the patterns of emissions: the -2.5% (-0.2%) change in the EU28 estimates of v4.3.2 compared to those of v4.2 (v4.1) is still within the range of the inverse model simulations of Bergamaschi et al. (2018), while the -4.7% (-3.4%) change in USA in EDGAR v4.3.2 compared to v4.2(v4.1) are not in line with the suggested +50 ~ 70% higher anthropogenic emissions based on the inverse modelling study of Miller et al. (2013). The latter might be explained at the emissions side by delayed reporting of statistics on fracking for shale gas and oil and the not well characterised and highly uncertain emission factors as indicated by US EPA (2015) and at the modelling side by large uncertainties of inverse models and the potential contribution of natural sources. For China the EDGAR v4.3.2 estimate for fugitive emissions from coal mining yields a 38% lower CH_4 emissions total in 2008, which is in line with Saunio et al. (2016), Brandt et al., (2014) and Kirschke et al. (2013), suggesting lower CH_4 emissions in particular in northern China where coal mining takes place.

3.3 The global N_2O budget

An overview of the global N_2O budget is not yet available as like for CO_2 and CH_4 . Recent efforts from the modelling community to provide input for the global N_2O budget by Tian et al. (2018) report anthropogenic emission estimates for 2006 of $10.8 \text{ Tg N}_2\text{O/yr}$, confirming the 2005 global total by US EPA (2012) of 10.9 but a full overview of the global nitrous oxide budget is still forthcoming. The bottom-up estimate of EDGAR v4.3.2 of $7.2 (\pm 3.7) \text{ Tg N}_2\text{O/yr}$ for 2005 differs from this with 34%, which is still within the uncertainty range. The bottom-up estimate of GAINS by Winiwarter et al. (2018) differs in similar way by 29%. It is noted that the differences within each source category very remain large (see Table 5). A comparison at European level between the EDGAR v4.3.2 and the N-budget of Leip et al. (2011) shows relative moderate discrepancies also at sector-specific level with for the total and the agricultural sectors 26% respectively 37% smaller estimates by EDGAR compared to Leip et al. (2011) but for the non-agricultural sectors 19% larger estimates. Höglund-



Isaksson et al. (2010) provided GAINS estimates for EU27 that are respectively 28%, 42% and 20% larger than the total, agriculture and non-agricultural sectors estimates of Leip et al. (2011).

Although in EDGAR v4.3.2 the agricultural sector is contributing most to the anthropogenic direct and indirect N₂O emissions, the production of chemicals, such as nitric acid, glyoxal, caprolactam and adipic acid production, and its use as anaesthesia or for aerosol spray cans also plays an important role. In 1970 the chemicals sector contributed 20% to the total, but this has been significantly reduced to less than 8% because of technological developments. Figure 8 shows the impact of technological developments from old plants to higher pressure plants or plants with non-selective catalytic reduction, reducing the N₂O emissions by factors of 2 and 10, respectively. The N₂O emissions of nitric and adipic acid plant facilities which EDGAR v4.3.2 estimated are in line with the estimates of US EPA (2012) and by GAINS for the year 2005. However a discrepancy evolves when looking at the 2010 values, because of the relative large reduction between 2007 and 2010 in EDGAR and the relative constant trend in GAINS. While EDGAR assumes abatement technologies for nitric and adipic acid plants in China following the reporting under the Clean Development Mechanism, Schneider et al. (2010) assumes that abatement was not used at least for the new adipic acid plants. The latter assumption was followed by Winiwarter et al. (2018) and explains the differences in the global nitric and adipic acid N₂O emission estimates between GAINS and EDGAR.

4. Discussion of the trends

4.1 Global Greenhouse Gases 1970-2012

A country-based statistical analysis including 4 decades of GHG emissions (EDGAR v4.2) and GDP (Purchasing Power Parity data of the Penn World Tables 7 of Feenstra et al., 2013) was carried out to investigate the possible causality between emissions and income. The results, summarised in Paruolo et al. (2015) showed that no presence of causality could be statistically proven. This reflects a complex link between the very heterogeneous economic activities (ranging from manufacturing to services) and emissions, and justifies the meticulous bottom-up inventory compilation using statistics instead of modelling.

Figure 3 shows the global trend of GHG emissions in CO₂-equivalent (100 year time horizon), using the GWP-100 values of AR4 (IPCC, 2007)¹². The GHG total is composed of all sources (excluding LULUCF) of CH₄ and N₂O but only CO₂ from long cycle C fossil sources and excluding the short cycle¹³ C for the CO₂ accounting,

¹² In the latest UNFCCC revision of the reporting guidelines adopted by COP (2014), it was decided to use for the reporting from 2015 onwards the global warming potential coefficients (GWP-100) from AR4 (IPCC, 2007) with 25 for CH₄ and 298 for N₂O.

¹³ The IPCC (2006) methodology for CO₂ accounts the emissions from short cycle C (released by combusting biofuels, agricultural waste burning or field burning) under the Agriculture, Forestry and Land Use (AFOLU) sector (see IPCC (2006), Vol.2, sector 2.3.3.4 related to biomass combustion and methodologies for harvested wood products).



conform IPCC (2006). The estimated global total GHG in 2010 of 44.7 Pg CO_{2eq} is 0.7% lower than the estimates for the 2010 global total (without LULUCF) in the UNEP (2012, 2015) Emission Gap reports. The share of each gas to the total GHG is relatively stable and yields for CO₂ 76.8% (+2.1pp, -1.2 pp), for CH₄ 18.1% (-2.5 pp, +1.9pp) and for N₂O 5.1% (+0.4pp, -0.6pp), where in between brackets the percent point impact of the evolution of the GWP-100 value from the SAR (IPCC, 1996b)¹⁴ to the AR5 (IPCC, 2014)¹⁵ is given.

In the global GHG emissions time series, the trend is dominated by CO₂ as it has the largest share and the largest increase. In the 1970s N₂O increased at the same rate as CO₂ (2.6%/yr), while CH₄ was half as fast. In the 1980s and 1990s, N₂O and CH₄ increases were very small, while CO₂ continued albeit at a slower rate (1.6%/yr). In the last decade 2002-2012 CO₂ and CH₄ growth rates increased with respectively 3.2%/yr and 2.0%/yr. While over the four decades (1970-2012) the global total GHG increased in line with global population (91% versus 88%), the inter-annual and regional emission variations do not always reflect the rates in population increase but are instead better explained by the global fuel markets and economy, with the 1973 and 1979 oil crises, the dissolution of the Soviet Union (1989-1991), the growth of the Chinese economy, after they joined the World Trade Organisation in 2002 and the 2008 global financial crisis.

4.2 Greenhouse gas trend analysis for regions and top emitting countries

Figure 4 shows the GHG trends for the major regions: 24OECD90 (split into USA, EU15 and the rest), 16EIT90 (with Russia and EU13 and the rest) and non-Annex I (for which China, India and Brasil are shown separately). The gas-specific GHG trend is also available per country in Janssens-Maenhout et al. (2017) and downloadable from edgar.jrc.ec.europa.eu/overview.php?v=CO2andGHG1970-2016. To understand the trends of the total GHG (in CO_{2eq}) the decomposition with the trends of CO₂, CH₄ and N₂O trend for the same regions is given in the figures S4.a, S4.b and S4.c respectively and with a discussion per country group in the Supplementary.

Focussing on the top four emitting countries and regions, Figure 5 compares the reported UNFCCC (2004, 2012, 2014, 2016, 2017) emissions of China, USA, EU28, Russia and the emission estimates of EDGAR v4.3.2. There is a very good agreement between the UNFCCC reported values and the EDGAR v4.3.2 estimates for the EU28, whereas for USA and Russia the EDGAR v4.3.2 estimates are lower than those reported by UNFCCC (2016). For the USA this is explained by lower N₂O emissions in EDGAR v4.3.2, although N₂O emissions reported by USA to UNFCCC (2014, 2016) are within the large uncertainty range for the EDGAR v4.3.2 estimates. For Russia CH₄ emissions reported to UNFCCC (2016) are 37% higher than those estimated by EDGAR v4.3.2, but also this is within the uncertainty range. The largest difference is found in the estimation of gas pipeline transmission emissions, which are 4 times higher in the UNFCCC inventory of Russia than in EDGAR v4.3.2. The relatively low emission factor for gas pipelines, used by EDGAR, is in line with the recommendations of Lelieveld et al. (2005). For China, a very good agreement between the EDGAR v4.3.2 estimate and the UNFCCC (2004, 2012, 2017) reported values is obtained, taking into account the importance of the coal

¹⁴ In SAR (IPCC, 1996b): GWP-100 of CH₄ = 21 and GWP-100 of N₂O = 310

¹⁵ In AR5 (IPCC, 2014): GWP-100 of CH₄ = 28 and GWP-100 of N₂O = 265



statistics revision. In order to evaluate the latter effect, two time series of emission are calculated by EDGAR, with and without coal statistics revision. The revision includes a decrease of the 2010-2012 values, and yields an increase for the 1990-2009 values of about +3% for 2005 and 1994. It is evident that the previous estimates of the UNFCCC inventory in 2005 and 1994 would need to be revised in order to evaluate the emissions change from 2005 to 2012. Even if relative uncertainty in EDGAR estimates for China could be reduced, it is evident that the size of the Chinese inventory has large impact on the global absolute uncertainty.

5. Discussion of the grid-maps

In this section, the gridded EDGAR datasets at $0.1^\circ \times 0.1^\circ$ are further screened to identify hot spots and to check for anomalies. An overview of the region-specific totals and their sector-specific composition for the year 2012 is given in Figs. 9, 12 and 15 for the different substances. The sector-specific country totals are provided in the overview Table 6a per region and 6b per sector for 2012.

5.1 CO₂ emissions and urban hot spots

The 2012 grid-map of CO₂ emissions from both long-cycle and short-cycle carbon in Fig. 9 with the relative sectorial breakdown for selected world regions (Europe, North America, Latin America, Africa, Middle East, Oceania, Russia and China) clearly shows the fossil fuel combustion activities, representing 90.6% of the total CO₂ emissions. In this section we include for completeness biofuel emissions, which were omitted from the comparisons with UNFCCC reporting, because UNFCCC assumes carbon neutrality for all agricultural and biofuel CO₂ emissions in a country for any individual year. In the 24OECD90 countries 75.2% of CO₂ emissions are produced by the power, road transport and residential sectors, while these sectors represent only 60.9% in non-Annex I countries. The share of the industrial combustion and production sectors (mining/manufacturing) of non-Annex I countries reaches 36.8%. The CO₂ shares of the fuel combustion in the power generation, road transport, buildings and manufacturing sectors vary for the different regions from 16~50%, 5~27%, 6~39% and 9~22% of total emissions (see Table 6a and 6b) respectively. Interestingly, agricultural waste burning¹⁶ represents 10% of CO₂ emissions in Latin America (mainly due to sugarcane crop residues burning) and 22% of CO₂ emissions in Africa derives from the transformation industry (charcoal production using as input primary solid biomass). Industrial emissions are distributed at the point-source locations of the power/heat plants or industrial facilities (e.g. cement factories) using the capacity of the plants or facilities as a weighting factor.

In the grid-maps hotspots are particularly visible over cities, of which the top 4 are emitting 2.75% of the global total¹⁷ and coincide with the cities of Shanghai, Huangshi, Shenyang and Moscow. In fact, 5% of the $0.1^\circ \times 0.1^\circ$ grid cells are emitting more than 5Mton/($0.1^\circ \times 0.1^\circ$)/yr and account for 34.08% of the global total. It is therefore interesting to look at the contribution of the various sectors in megacities, as shown in Fig. 10. Emissions from

¹⁶ Note that the agricultural waste burning is not including the Savannah burning.

¹⁷ At a rate of more than 125 Mton/($0.5^\circ \times 0.5^\circ$)



the road transport sector (Fig. 10a) for the 20 selected cities seem to be more important in suburban areas than in the centre of the megacity. For power plants more heterogeneity is found (Fig. 10b) with larger power plants typically located on the periphery of the city in the 24OECD90 countries, while for major cities of the 16EIT90 and non-Annex I countries, several larger power plants are located within the central city areas. The remaining share of CO₂ emissions is mainly from the buildings sectors and the industrial manufacturing emissions.

The evolution over time from 1970 to 2012 shows a different pattern for the residential sector than for the road transport sector. Fig. 11a shows that while the residential sector decreased over these 4 decades in America and Europe, it increased in Asia and Africa. The difference in CO₂ emissions from the road transport sector meanwhile presents in Fig. 11b a more homogeneous picture with increases from 1970 to 2012 in almost all regions. Please note that Fig. 11 includes both long-cycle and short-cycle carbon fuel use, but Fig. S5a-d in the Supplementary presents these separately and shows e.g. the use of the vegetal waste and dung for residential heating in India and the biofuel use for car transport in Brasil.

5.2 CH₄ emission maps

Because CH₄ is mainly released from fermentation processes (enteric, manure, landfills or rice) or diffusion processes (coal mine leakage or gas distribution losses), the 2012 CH₄ emission grid-map with sector contributions for major world regions (Fig. 12) does not mirror the same human activities as the CO₂ map. The CH₄ shares for enteric fermentation, fossil fuel production & transmission and solid & water waste treatment range from 9~59%, 8~68% and 11~37% of the global total respectively, depending on the region. For 24OECD90 countries enteric fermentation (with 31.1% share), fossil fuel production (28.1%) and landfills (21.4%) are the three dominant sectors, whereas in the 16EIT90 countries, CH₄ emissions are dominated by fossil fuel production (49.4% share). The non-Annex I countries show a similar high share of enteric fermentation and fossil fuel production as the 24OECD90 countries, but rice cultivation and domestic wastewater together give much higher emissions than solid waste disposal. Rice cultivation contributes significantly to the total CH₄ inventory of China (21.5% or 14.2 Tg in 2012), which is almost 11 times the CH₄ emissions of rice cultivation in India (3.8 Tg), despite the larger area for rice fields in India than in China (425 compared to 303 thousand km²). This is explained by the fact that India typically has one harvest per year from 1/3 rain-fed fields and 2/3 irrigated fields, whereas China has multiple harvests per year from irrigated rice fields. Rain-fed rice fields in India are modelled with a five times lower emission factor than the irrigated fields in China. Figure 13a and 13b show the opposing trends with mainly positive 2012-1970 increments in enteric fermentation (mainly cattle) (a) and mainly negative increments in CH₄ emissions from rice cultivation (b). The CH₄ trend from rice cultivation in Asia is remarkably stable with the exception of Thailand where increased activity is noticed. The remaining non-Annex I countries of Africa and Latin-America show similar high contributions from enteric fermentation (25.8 Tg versus 20.9 Tg respectively in 2012). However, the total CH₄ emissions from the African continent are higher than those of Latin-America because of the 3.5 times larger CH₄ emissions from fossil fuel production (gas and oil production). Interestingly, both continents show significant CH₄ emissions from charcoal production, which compares to 16% (Africa) and 15% (Latin-America) of their gas and oil production emissions of CH₄.



Hot spots of CH₄ are estimated for fossil fuel production, typically at gas & oil production facilities or at coal mines, as shown in Fig. 14. In North America a shift over the period 2005-2012 from coal mining in the North-East (-21%) to gas & oil production in particular in North-Dakota, Montana and Texas (+65%) took place. The USA is nowadays the largest producer of both shale gas and tight oil, which are making up almost half of total US gas and oil production (EIA, 2015). In Europe a much larger decrease of -87% in coal production happened earlier while gas production increased by 30%. Consequently the EU28 needed to rely on oil and gas imports and expanded its transmission and gas distribution network with corresponding increase in CH₄ leakages. Aside of the USA, also the Middle East is a global world player on the oil and gas market, shifting from oil production (with a decrease of 71% over the period 1976-1985) to gas production (with a 9.3-fold increase from 1985 to 2012), mainly driven by Iran, Saudi Arabia and Qatar. The African countries with the highest CH₄ emissions from fossil fuel production are in decreasing order of importance Algeria and Nigeria (for oil and gas production) and South Africa (for coal mining). Similarly to Nigeria, which showed an approximate doubling of CH₄ emissions from oil (and gas) production over the last 4 decades, Mexico and Venezuela also show similar levels of CH₄ emissions from oil and gas production (increasing with a factor 1.6 over the 4 decades). For gas production, Russia shows the largest CH₄ venting and leakage, overtaking the USA in 1985.

Coal mining has become important for China, which is since 1982 the largest bituminous coal producer in the world, overtaking the USA. Moreover China is also the largest coal importer since 2011 (overtaking Japan), as domestic coal produced in mainly the western and northern inland provinces of China faced a bottleneck in transportation, lacking southbound rail lines (Tu, 2012) towards the southern coast that has the highest coal demand. Not only did EDGAR v4.3.2 revise the country-specific coal mining emission factors, but also the spatial distribution was considerably updated with hot spots at the location of the mining activity. For coal mine activities in China (split in brown and hard coal), the coal mine database of Liu et al. (2015) provided over 4200 coal mine locations, which is 10 times more than that available for EDGAR v4.2. For Europe, the closure of mines since the 1990s has been taken into account using European Pollutant Release Transfer Register (EPRTTR, 2012).

5.3 N₂O emissions including indirect sources

Unlike the CO₂ and CH₄ grid-maps, the gridded N₂O emissions for the year 2012 in Fig. 15 with the share of different sectors for world regions shows a quite uniform global coverage distribution, due to the predominance of soil emissions and indirect emissions (distributed with the N-deposition map of Dentener et al. (2006)), also from the seas surface. Over land, most N₂O is emitted from the agricultural soils (the use of animal manure as fertiliser, the application of N containing fertilisers and cattle in pasture), representing from 35% to 86% of total N₂O emissions depending on the region. Fertilising farmland with pasture or animal waste as fertiliser or crop residues has not increased so much as the use of nitrogen fertilisers. Figure 16 shows the increased use (by the difference 2012-1970) of nitrogen fertiliser, in particular in Asia.



6. Conclusion and outlook

In line with the ESSD guidelines of Carlson & Oda (2018), we aim with this publication not only for free open access to all calculated data (with their uncertainty) but also for a full, transparent and inclusive documentation of the EDGARv4 products (with its use and limitations).

6.1 Strengths and applications of EDGAR v4.3.2

The scientific global emission inventory database EDGAR v4.3.2 provides a comprehensive dataset of anthropogenic emissions of CO₂, CH₄ and N₂O in time series 1970-2012 (with monthly resolution) and spatially disaggregated grid maps with 0.1°x0.1° resolution. An advantage of EDGAR v4.3.2 is that the bottom-up emissions calculation methodology is applied to all countries and the results are available with regular updates based on a robust statistical data infrastructure and provide direct information to policy makers in the standard structure as used for the Annex I countries. EDGAR v4.3.2 may provide useful information to countries with less strong statistical data infrastructure for their future inventory requirement. In particular the time series of EDGAR v4.3.2 can complete the emission trends for non-Annex I countries, as illustrated for the case of China, where the coal statistics revision impacts also the 2005 and the 1994 inventory with +3%.

For the atmospheric modelling community EDGAR v4.3.2 enables models to use historical emission grid-maps for a top-down assessment of the total budget, making use of in-situ and remote sensing atmospheric observation records. The results of inverse atmospheric models provide an evaluation of the nationally collected emission data with regard to their uncertainty and as such support the scientific review and updates of emission inventory methodologies. For recent years (e.g. 2010) total anthropogenic budgets of 33.6 (±5.9) Pg CO₂ /yr, 0.34 (±0.16) Pg CH₄ /yr and 7.2 (±3.7) Tg N₂O /yr are obtained. The current evaluation capacity of inverse models using atmospheric measurements remains limited where the models struggle with an accurate separation of the natural emissions component from the total. Although modelling uncertainties and the uncertainties of the natural emissions remain large, the atmospheric models provide observationally constrained top-down input of holistic nature without link to the sector-specific statistics and drivers and allowing an independent verification of the total fluxes. Moreover, the impact of updates of recommended tiered emission factors (such as from IPCC (1996; 2006), the upcoming refinement in 2019, or selected region-specific data) on the resulting emissions can be assessed at global scale. EDGAR v4.2 evaluated the impact of the update of the N₂O emission factor for direct soil emissions from the use of fertilisers (synthetic or manure or crop residues) by IPCC (2006b) with a 20% lower value than what the IPCC (2000) Good Practice Guidance provided as default. The update of the EDGAR v4.2 version to v4.3.2 demonstrated e.g. the necessity to take up region-specific emission factors for fugitive coal mining emissions in China, which are considerably lower than the IPCC lower tier 1 default values (e.g. Peng et al., 2016; Saunio et al., 2016).

With the 42 year long time series of EDGAR v4.3.2 we provide an important input to the analysis of global GHG trends. We find an accelerated increase of GHG emissions since the beginning of the 21st century compared to the three decades before, mainly driven by the increase in CO₂ emissions from countries with emerging economies. For the EU-28 the trend is determined by a rather stable share of CO₂ and a smooth but continuously decreasing CH₄ contribution, resulting in an overall reduction of total GHG emissions. Even though the



uncertainty of global total emissions has increased mainly because of the increasing share of GHG emissions from emerging economy countries, on European scale the uncertainty has decreased because of the progress in inventory compilation and the decrease in some sectors with more uncertain CH₄ emissions.

Overall the EDGAR v4.3.2 database aims at providing useful information for both the scientific and policy communities involved in understanding GHG emissions and budget, e.g. for the compilation of national inventories, the UNFCCC global stock take, analysis of co-benefits between air pollution and GHG emission mitigation strategies, interpretation of satellite data, understanding and reducing of uncertainties.

6.2 Use, evaluation and limitation of the EDGARv4.3.2 dataset

The EDGARv4.3.2 provides a global picture of GHG emissions using a tier1-2 approach following IPCC (2006) guidelines and allowing comparison of country- and sector-specific sources. This global completeness comes at the expense of lacking or less accurate information at (i) higher resolution or subnational focus and (ii) detailed modeling of subsector emissions beyond tier 1-2.

Therefore, the potential users of the EDGARv4.3.2 dataset are recommended to carefully consider these limitations when:

- Applying it for region-specific, subnational or urban case studies, for which more detailed inventories should be used or constructed, using bottom-up and local information. EDGARv4.3.2 only uses national data and any subnational level is the result of a spatial distribution (top-down) making use of proxy data. In general large differences can be expected between the top-down spatially disaggregated national emissions with proxy data and the bottom-up inventory with local data, sometimes not strictly reporting emissions that occur solely inside the small territory, as Gately et al. (2017) demonstrate. The EDGARv4.3.2 can be used to gap-fill between other regional inventories (e.g. in HTAPv2.2 of Janssens-Maenhout et al., 2015), or to bridge the gap between point sources and the national inventory (e.g. Theilke, J. et al., 2011).
- Applying the dataset outside the period 1970-2012 can only be recommended when taking into account the fast track update from 2013 onwards based on recent statistics, for which we refer to the annual publication on the hyperlink <http://edgar.jrc.ec.europa.eu/index.php#>. For the years before 1970 we refer to the HYDE dataset. We would refrain from any linear extrapolation based on short term trends of the emission time series or of emission drivers, for which the causality proof for these short time-series is missing.
- Comparing with other gridded datasets at grid cell level, especially when using EDGARv4.3.2 disaggregated subsector emissions data. Several assumptions on the technological evolution and the spatial distribution flow into the EDGARv4.3.2 subsector emissions. The difference between two grid-maps can not be unambiguously attributed to missing activity data, the selected region-specific emission factor, or the assumed technology-share or the spatial distribution proxy data. In particular the latter factor is important, in particular for very localized sources or point sources (such as industrial complexes or urban areas). Moreover the strength of point sources is very sensitive to the choice of the



characteristic parameter (such as designed capacity or averaged annual emission estimate or given annual throughput) in the proxy dataset and can vary strongly over time. As Hogue et al. (2016) indicates: the largest uncertainty contribution in gridded emission datasets comes from the proxy data used for spatial disaggregation of national emissions. The subtraction of the sum of all the point sources from the sector-specific country total leaves a remaining emission that is composed of smaller sources and that is typically distributed with e.g. a population density proxy, as information is lacking. The uncertainties for the point sources and for the remaining smaller sources are highly different and larger than the uncertainty of the sector-specific country total. Information on the representativeness of the selected characteristic parameter for point sources is most critical and needs to be evaluated with measurements (such as in-situ atmospheric measurements of co-emitted pollutants) but would require an in-depth analysis beyond the scope of this paper.

The EDGARv4.3.2 is the result of continuous improvement of previous datasets, which have been used by modelers in inverse modeling studies to verify the level and distribution of the emissions. Feedback has been taken into account (e.g. Saunio et al., 2017 for CH₄). The evaluation of the dataset with a more advanced uncertainty assessment did not take place yet.

6.3 Future perspective

EDGAR v4.3.2 demonstrates that inventories can be developed for all countries within the limitations of the quality of the available statistical data in order to contribute to the comprehensive picture needed for the UNFCCC's global stock takes. In 2023 a first global stock take is foreseen to track the progress of the collective efforts to reduce the emissions as promised under the NDCs. Comprehensive information on emissions for all world countries can help to assess and build trust in the effectiveness of the NDCs. In particular, the country estimates of EDGAR v4.3.2 can help countries with less developed statistical infrastructures to compile their inventories and complete time series.

EDGAR v4.3.2 yields not only grid maps for all greenhouse gases, but also for air pollutants, representing multi-pollutant sources as single point source with realistic ratios of the different pollutant emission rates. To analyse the co-benefits and trade-offs of integrated approaches towards climate and energy as well as air quality policies, it is of key importance to use the transparency framework of "measuring-reporting-verifying" for a world-wide evaluation of the emissions. A bridge between the inventory compilers and satellite community can yield more dynamic emission databases. So far the interpretation of satellite data is more successful with air pollutants, NO_x, SO₂, CO but also CH₄. For interpreting CO₂, Berezin et al. (2013) demonstrated a new methodology using ratios of NO₂:CO₂ to reveal the fossil fuel component of CO₂.

Emissions provided by the EDGAR database cannot be always considered as the best country or region-specific estimate. The use of a common denominator as technology-based methodology across the world implies for some regions the loss of more detailed knowledge and differences from the local inventories. However, the comprehensiveness of the EDGAR v4.3.2 grid-maps allows to generate per grid-cell the emission ratios of different GHG and air pollutant gases or the sector-specific shares, as additional information for interpreting satellite retrievals measuring column-averaged dry-air mole fractions of total CO₂ or CH₄.



7. Access to the data

Annual grid-maps for all GHGs and sectors covering the years 1970-2012 are available as txt (expressed in the unit: ton substance per grid cell) and NetCDF (expressed in the unit: kg substance/m²/s) with 0.1°x0.1° spatial resolution, in the map gallery at <http://edgar.jrc.ec.europa.eu/overview.php?v=432&SECURE=123> (DOI:

5 https://data.europa.eu/doi/10.2904/JRC_DATASET_EDGAR). In addition, monthly GHG global grid-maps are produced for 2010 and are available per sector and substance. The main features of the grid-maps are described (section 5) while focusing on the year 2012, although analogous considerations also pertain to previous years.

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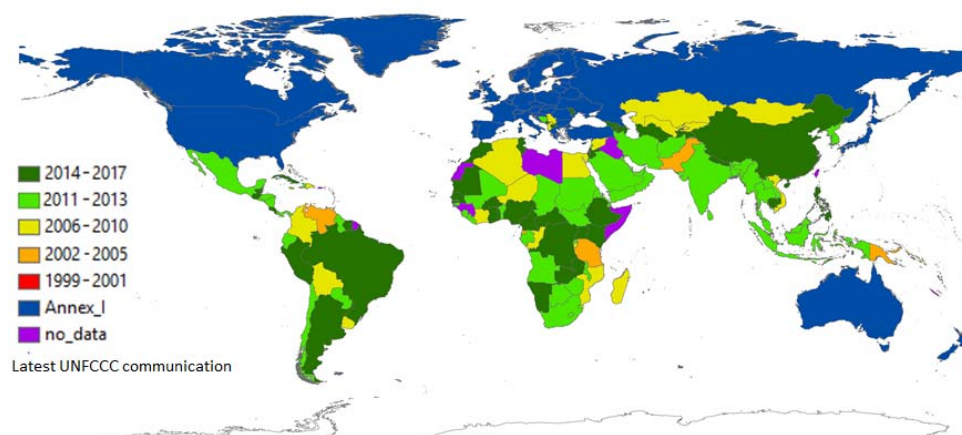
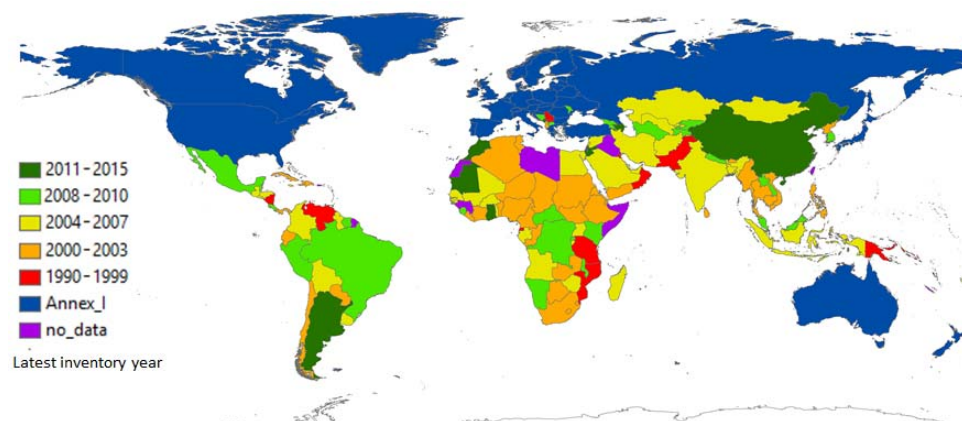


Figure 1a - Inventory submission as received at UNFCCC (by January 2017) for all countries: expressed with the year of emission reporting in which the latest national communication to UNFCCC took place.



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Figure 1b - Inventory submission as received at UNFCCC (by January 2017) for all countries expressed with the latest year of emission that is covered in the inventory submitted to UNFCCC.

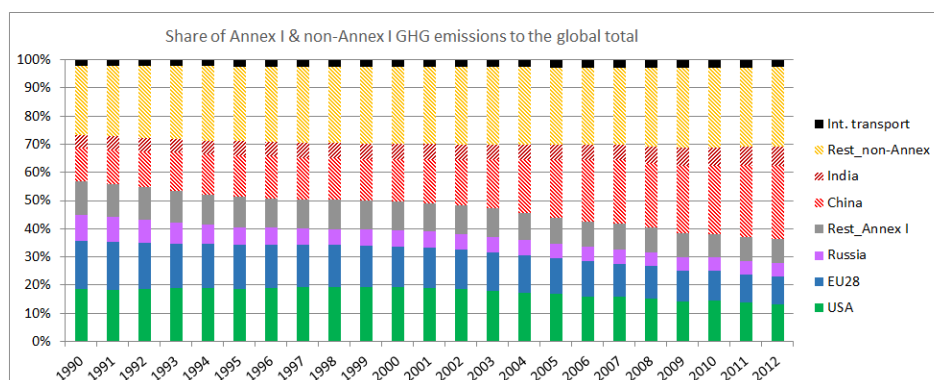


Figure 2: Relative contribution of the Annex I and non-Annex I countries to the global total GHG emissions. The red, brown and orange dashed parts of the stack correspond to the non-Annex I share that increases from about 1/3 in 1990 to almost 2/3 in 2012.

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Table 1a: Main category with all Source/Sink Categories conform to the IPCC Guidelines (1996). Note that neither large scale biomass burning nor land-use, land-use change and forestry emissions are included, although we do include biofuel combustion and agricultural activities (such as livestock and milk production, crop and rice production, agricultural waste burning, field burning, histosols and liming).

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Main category of emission sectors	EDGAR_code	Emission sectors of data delivery	IPCC_1996	IPCC_2006
Energy comprises the production, handling, transmission and combustion of fossil fuels and biofuels and is calculated with energy statistics. For CO ₂ the short cycle C is split off from the long cycle C, because the short cycle CO ₂ emitted from the combustion of biofuel is assumed to neutralise the CO ₂ uptake during the same year the biofuel was grown. Any disequilibrium of this balance needs to be taken up under the Land-Use, Land-use change and forestry sector. As such the long cycle CO ₂ energy refers to fossil fuel combustion only, the short cycle CO ₂ energy refers to the biofuel combustion. All other substances include fossil and biofuel combustion.	ENE	Power industry	1A1a	1.A.1.a
	IND	Combustion for manufacturing	1A2	1.A.2
	RCO	Energy for buildings	1A4	1.A.4+ 1.A.5.a+ 1.A.5.b.i+ 1.A.5.b.ii
	REF_TRF	Oil refineries and Transformation industry	1A1b+ 1A1c+ 1A5b1+ 1B1b+ 1B2a5+ 1B2a6+ 1B2b5+ 2C1b	1.A.1.b+ 1.B.2.a.iii.4+ 1.A.1.c+ 1.A.5.b.iii+ 1.B.1.c+ 1.B.2.a.iii.6+ 1.B.2.b.iii.3
	TNR_Aviation_CDS	Aviation climbing&descent	1A3a_CDS	1.A.3.a_CDS
	TNR_Aviation_CRS	Aviation cruise	1A3a_CRS	1.A.3.a_CRS
	TNR_Aviation_LTO	Aviation landing&takeoff	1A3a_LTO	1.A.3.a_LTO
	TNR_Aviation_SPS	Aviation supersonic	1A3a_SPS	1.A.3.a_SPS
	TNR_Other	Railways, pipelines, off-road transport	1A3c+ 1A3e	1.A.3.c+ 1.A.3.e
	TNR_Ship	Shipping	1A3d+ 1C2	1.A.3.d
	TRO	Road transportation	1A3b	1.A.3.b
Fugitive refers mainly to gas flaring and venting during oil and gas production, coalbed methane during underground or surface mining and CH ₄ distribution losses and evaporation during transmission and mainly distribution. This is based on fuel production statistics, supplemented nightlight observations.	PRO	Fuel exploitation	1B1a+ 1B2a1+ 1B2a2+ 1B2a3+ 1B2a4+ 1B2c	1.B.1.a+ 1.B.2.a.ii+ 1.B.2.a.iii.2+ 1.B.2.a.iii.3+ 1.B.2.b.ii+ 1.B.2.b.iii.2+ 1.B.2.b.iii.4+ 1.B.2.b.iii.5+ 1.C



Industrial Processes refer to non-combustion emissions from either manufacturing of cement, lime, soda ash, carbides, ammonia, methanol, ethylene, methanol, adipic acid, nitric acid, caprolactam, glyoxal and other chemicals, or from production of metals and from the use of soda ash, limestone and dolomite, from production of ferrous and non-ferrous metals and from non-energy use of lubricants and waxes. The emission estimates use the volume of industrial product produced (and traded) from the industry statistics.	CHE	Chemical processes	2B	2.B.1+ 2.B.2+ 2.B.3+ 2.B.4+ 2.B.5+ 2.B.6+ 2.B.8
	FOO_PAP	Food and Paper	2D	2.H
	IRO	Iron and steel production	2C1a+ 2C1c+ 2C1d+ 2C1e+ 2C1f+ 2C2	2.C.1+ 2.C.2
	NEU	Non energy use of fuels	2G	2.D.1+ 2.D.2+ 2.D.4
	NFE	Non-ferrous metals production	2C3+ 2C4+ 2C5	2.C.3+ 2.C.4+ 2.C.5+ 2.C.6+ 2.C.7
	NMM	Non-metallic minerals production	2A	2.A
Solvents and Products use includes CO ₂ from solvents in paint, degreasing and dry cleaning, chemical products and other product use, as well as use of N ₂ O as anaesthesia and in aerosol spray cans. Estimates are based on a combination of population and solvents statistics.	PRU_SOL	Solvents and products use	3	2.B.9+ 2E+ 2F+ 2G+ 2D3
Agriculture comprises the application of urea and agricultural lime, enteric fermentation, rice cultivation, enteric fermentation, manure management, fertiliser use (synthetic and manure), agricultural waste burning (in field) and is based on agricultural statistics. Large scale biomass burning from Savannah is not included.	AGS	Agricultural soils	4C+ 4D	3.C.2+ 3.C.3+ 3.C.4+ 3.C.7
	AWB	Agricultural waste burning	4F	3.C.1.b
	ENF	Enteric fermentation	4A	3.A.1
	MNM	Manure management	4B	3.A.2
Waste comprises landfills and wastewater management, and waste incineration that is not producing energy (neither generation of electricity nor heat recovery, because these are accounted in the energy sector(non-energy)). Estimates are based on a combination of population and solid and liquid waste product statistics.	SWD_INC	Solid waste incineration	6C	4.C
	SWD_LDF	Solid waste landfills	6A+ 6D	4.A+ 4.B
	WWT	Waste water handling	6B	4.D
Other refers to direct emissions from fossil fuel fires (coal fires & the Kuwait oil fires), N ₂ O usage and indirect emissions from atmospheric deposition of NO _x and NH ₃ from non-agricultural sources, for which other historical statistics are consulted.	FFF	Fossil Fuel Fires	7A	5.B
	IDE	Indirect Emissions	7C	5.A
	N2O	Indirect N ₂ O from agriculture	4D3	3.C.5+ 3.C.6

**Table 1b: Data sources for activity statistics and emission factors for the main categories of emission sources defined in Table 1a. (cfr. References of the Manuscript or of the Supplementary).**

		Activity Data (AD)	Emission Factors (EF)
energy balance	fossil fuel	IEA energy balance statistics (IEA, 2014) for 138 OECD and Non-OECD countries expressed in TJ for the 64 fuel types and 94 activities. ¹	IPCC (2006) Guidelines
	Biofuel	IEA (2014) final consumption of biogasoline (bioethanol), biodiesel and other liquid biofuel categories for OECD countries. ²	IPCC (2006) Guidelines
fossil fuel production statistics	coal	World Coal Association (2016) for hard coal and brown coal production data, separated into surface and underground mining. ³	IPCC (2006) Guidelines, supplemented with EMEP/EEA (2013) Guidebook EF (specified in function of average depths of coal production). ⁴
	gas and oil	<i>For exploration:</i> IEA (2014) gas & oil production data. <i>For transmission & distribution:</i> the leakage rate is calculated in function of the length of the pipelines and its construction material (grey cast iron, steel, polyethylene or polyvinylchloride), with data from Eurogas (2010) report and Marcogaz (2013) technical sheet, UNFCCC National Inventory Reports (2014) and CIA (2008, 2016). <i>For venting and flaring:</i> the total amount of gas flared and vented is calculated based on the difference in fuel produced and fuel sold from IEA supplemented with trends from CDIAC (Andres et al, 2014), EIA (2014) and counterchecked against UNFCCC (2014) National Inventory Reports for most countries until 1994. The share that is flared is from 1994 onwards derived with NOAA satellite observation of the intensity of flaring lights by Elvidge et al. (2009).	<i>For exploration, transmission & distribution:</i> IPCC (2006) Guidelines, supplemented with data of UNFCCC (2014). While gas transmission through large pipelines is characterised with relatively small country-specific emission factors of Lelieveld et al. (2005), much larger and material-dependent leakage rates of IPCC (2006) Guidelines were assumed for gas distribution. <i>For venting:</i> CH ₄ EF are based on country-specific UNFCCC (2014) data (and average value as default for all other countries); <i>For flaring:</i> CO ₂ EF is taken from IPCC (2006) Guidelines (and excludes indirect emissions through gas venting).
Industrial processes	metallic and non-metallic minerals	Production data for cement, iron and steel, non-ferrous metals and various chemicals are based on Commodity Statistics of UN STATS (2014) often supplemented for recent years by USGS (2014). Iron and steel production is further split into technologies (basic oxygen furnace, open hearth, electric arc furnace) using data of the World Steel Association - WSA (2015). For production of lime, soda ash, ammonia, ferroalloys and non-ferrous metals, we combine USGS (2014) data and data reported to the UNFCCC (2014). Primary aluminium production statistics per country from UN are combined with smelter types (Horizontal and Vertical Stud Söderberg technologies as well as Centre Work, Point Feed, and Side Work Prebake technologies) characterised by the Aluminium Verlag (2007) and the International Aluminium Institute - IAI (2006). For primary magnesium production and die-casting global consumption was derived from production statistics from the US Geological Survey - USGS (2014) and the International Magnesium Association - IMA (1999) and reported country-specific die-casting companies. UN STATS (2014)	CO ₂ from cement production is based on the Tier 1 emission factor for clinker production, whereas cement clinker production is calculated from cement production reported by USGS (2014). The implied clinker to cement ratio is based on either clinker production data from UNFCCC reporting (Annex I countries) and the China Cement Almanac, or ratios from the World Business Council for Sustainable Development - Cement Sustainability Initiative - WBCSD-CSI (2015).

¹ **Notes:** (1) Hard coal and brown coal data for 1970-1978 were split using the 1979 shares of the fuel types. (2) For the countries of the former Soviet Union and former Yugoslavia, the pre-1990 data was allocated to the countries using the same sector-specific country shares of the new countries from 1990. (3) We used "Serbia-Montenegro" in the dataset, which includes Kosovo and Montenegro. (4) For the lumped sum IEA regions 'Other America', 'Other Africa' and 'Other Asia', the sector- and fuel-specific activity data have been disaggregated following the IEA definition of these regions and using the total production and consumption figures per country of coal, gas and oil from energy statistics reported by the US Energy Information Administration (EIA, 2014).

² **Notes:** (1) For Iceland, Israel and Mexico this is supplemented with the biofuel consumption reported by EIA (2013). (2) For Japan, Argentina, Brasil, China, India, Indonesia, Malaysia, Peru, Philippines and Thailand the biofuel data are supplemented with the data from US DA (2014).

³ **Notes:** (1) Abandoned and closed mines are taken up with very different shares to the total CH₄ emissions in 2012 from coal mining in UK (with 24%), Romania, China, USA, Czech Republic, Germany and Ukraine (0.3%). (2) CH₄ recovery from coal mining was estimated following IPCC (2006) for the 11 countries with largest coal mining in the past. These are in decreasing order of the share of the total CH₄ emission from this sector (with absolute CH₄ recovery in 2012): Czech Republic (60% with 41.1kton CH₄/yr), Spain (36% with 5.0 kton/yr), Poland (33% with 157.0 kton/yr), USA (29% with 739.9 kton/yr), UK (25% with 19.1 kton/yr), Germany (24% with 45.0 kton/yr), Ukraine (16% with 97.7 kton/yr), Australia (15% with 186.0 kton/yr), China (9% with 1974.1 kton/yr), Russia (3% with 75.5 kton/yr), Kazakhstan (2% with 10.0 kton/yr).

⁴ **Note:** According to Peng et al. (2016) and Liu et al. (2015), Chinese underground coal mines are characterised by low quality coal and, as such, low EF, corresponding to the lower end of the range of EFs recommended by EMEP/EEA for coal mines in Europe.



Solvent statistics	chemical industry	For the CO ₂ sources from industrial production of silicon and calcium carbide, glyoxal and other chemical bulk products (acrylonitrile, black carbon, ethylene, ethylene oxide, methanol, and vinyl chloride) for which no international statistics were available, UNFCCC (2014) is used, although limited to Annex I countries. Interpolations and extrapolations were only done to gap-fill single years with missing reported data in the time series 1970-2012, making use of the average of the previous and following years. Data of the International Fertilizer Industry Organisation - IFA (2015) are used for urea production, which accounts the fossil carbon in CO ₂ from ammonia production, following IPCC (2006). Data of FAOSTAT (2014) are used for production of pulp, meat and poultry. Ammonia production data are taken from USGS (2014). UNSTATS (2014) Commodity Statistics are applied to estimate the emissions from bread production, while for paper, wine and beer we use FAO (2016c,d) production data.	For the N ₂ O sources of nitric acid, adipic acid and caprolactam, production as well as abatement data from 1990 onwards are based on UNFCCC (2014) and SRI Consulting (2008). For nitric acid production in 1970, only old technology is assumed, with a gradual change in technology by 1990 into high pressure plants in non-Annex I countries and a mix of low and medium pressure plants in Annex I countries, in line with reported emissions to UNFCCC (2014).
		Activity data for paints, glues and adhesives, degreasing products, pesticides and vegetal oil are found in the UN Commodity statistics and supplemented with the UN Comtrade (2016) statistics details. Activity data 1990-2012 for other solvent use from UNFCCC (2014) was integrated for Europe, USA, Australia and New Zealand and Japan and linearly extrapolated backwards in time.	For CO ₂ , the national inventory reports of UNFCCC indicate a small amount of CO ₂ emission per ton paint applied, or per ton degreasing and dry cleaning product or other chemical product used. N ₂ O use as an anaesthetic and in aerosol spray cans is assumed proportional to the population. The average per capita N ₂ O use reported by Annex I countries to UNFCCC (2014) was used as region-specific default.
Agriculture	crop (excluding rice)	Following IPCC (2006) methodology we apply FAO crop and livestock data and IPCC (2006) emission factors for CO ₂ , CH ₄ and N ₂ O. Livestock numbers for buffalo, camels, dairy and non-dairy cattle, goats, horses, swine, sheep, mules and asses and for poultry (turkeys, geese, chickens and ducks) are taken from FAOSTAT (2014). These all contribute to manure and to enteric fermentation, except poultry that only produce manure. Historic data for countries of the former Soviet Union (1970-1990), Yugoslavia (1970-1992), Belgium and Luxemburg (1970-1999), Czechoslovakia (1970-2012) and Ethiopia and Eritrea (1970-2012) are split up, using the share in the first available year of statistics for the individual countries. Serbia and Montenegro data are merged from 2006 onwards. Sudan data are gap-filled for 2012-2014 with data of 2011 and the chicken data for Switzerland were corrected in 2007. For enteric fermentation by cattle, country specific methane emission factors are calculated following IPCC methodology (IPCC, 2006), using country specific milk yield (dairy cattle) and carcass weight (other cattle) trends from FAOSTAT (2014) to estimate the trends in the emission factors. For other animal types, regional emission factors from IPCC (2006) are used.	N ₂ O emissions from the use of animal waste as fertiliser are estimated taking into account both the loss of nitrogen that occurs from manure management systems before manure is applied to soils and the additional nitrogen introduced by bedding material. N ₂ O emissions from fertiliser use and CO ₂ from urea fertilisation are estimated based on IFA and FAO statistics. The N ₂ O emission factor for direct soil emissions of N ₂ O from the use of synthetic fertilisers and from manure used as fertilisers and from crop residues is taken from IPCC (2006), that updated the default IPCC emission factor in the IPCC Good Practice Guidance (2000) with a 20% lower value.
	livestock	Livestock numbers are combined with estimates for animal waste per head to estimate the total amount of animal waste produced. Nitrogen excretion rates for cattle, pigs and chicken in developed countries are derived from the CAPRI model ⁵ for Europe (Leip et al., 2007) and for all other countries and animal types IPCC (2006) values are used. The trend in carcass weight was used to determine the trend in nitrogen excretion over time. Shares of different animal waste management systems are based on regional defaults provided in IPCC (2006) and regional trend estimates for dairy and non-dairy cattle for the fractions stall-fed, extensive grazing and mixed systems from Bouwman et al. (2005). CH ₄ emissions from manure management are estimated by applying default IPCC emission factors for each country and temperature zone. Livestock fractions of the countries are calculated for 19 annual mean temperature zones for cattle, swine and buffalo and three climate zones for other animals (cold, temperate, warm). N ₂ O emissions from manure management are based on distribution of manure management systems from Annex I countries reporting to the UNFCCC, Zhou et al. (2007) for China and IPCC (2006) for the rest of the countries.	CO ₂ emissions from liming of soils are estimated from Annex I country reports to the UNFCCC and on the use of ammonium fertilisers for other countries from FAOSTAT (2014), as liming is needed to balance the acidity caused by ammonium fertilizers. Areas of cultivated histosols are estimated by combining the FAO climate and soil maps (FAO Geonetwork, 2011) with the land-use map of the National Institute of Public Health and the Environment - RIVM (Goldewijk et al., 2007). Different N ₂ O emission factors are applied to tropical and non-tropical regions. Nitrogen and dry matter content of agricultural residues are estimated from the cultivation area and yield for 24 crop types (2 types of beans, barley, cassava, cereals, 3 types of peas, lentils, maize, millet, oats, 2 types of potatoes, pulses, roots and tubers, rice, rye, soybeans, sugar beet, sugar cane, sorghum, wheat and yams) from FAOSTAT (2014) and using emission factors of IPCC (2006). The fraction of crop residues removed from and burned in the field is estimated using data of Yevich and Logan (2003) and UNFCCC (2014) for the fraction burned in the field by Annex I countries.

⁵ The Common Agriculture Policy Regional Impact model (<https://www.capri-model.org/dokuwiki/doku.php?id=start>) provided tier 3 input to derive "technological parameters" and implied emission factors, representing country-specific practices.



solid waste product statistics	rice	<p>The total area for rice cultivation, obtained from FAOSTAT (2014), is split between the different agro-ecological land-use types (rain fed, irrigated, deep water and upland) using data from the International Rice Research Institute - IRRI (2007). Methane emission factors for the various production land-uses are taken from the International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis - IIASA (2007).</p>	<p>Indirect N₂O emissions from leaching and runoff of nitrate are estimated from nitrogen input to agricultural soils as described above. Leaching and runoff are assumed to occur in all agricultural areas except non-irrigated dryland regions, which are identified with maps of FAO Geonetwork (2011). The fraction of nitrogen lost through leaching and runoff is based on the study of Van Dreht et al. (2003). The updated emission factor for indirect N₂O emissions from nitrogen leaching and run-off from the IPCC (2006) guidelines is selected, while noting that it is 70% lower than the mean value of the 1996 IPCC Guidelines and the IPCC Good Practice Guidance (IPCC, 1997, 2000).</p>
	landfills	<p>The per capita <i>MSW</i> generation rate (for 2000) and the fraction <i>MSW</i> disposed, incinerated and composted are based on the specification for 75 countries by IPCC (2006). For 151 other countries, the <i>MSW</i> generation rate and fraction disposed are assumed the same in comparable countries of the same region (with the world divided into 4 Asian regions, 5 African regions, 4 European regions, 2 regions in Oceania, 3 American regions and the Caribbean) and within the same income class (within the same GDP range). The IPCC Waste Model provides for these 19 regions the average weight fraction <i>DOC</i> under aerobic conditions, which has been used as the default for all countries. For Annex I countries these three parameters have been updated after consultation of UNFCCC (2014) country-specific information on the parameters (within the expected range). The national total <i>MSW</i> reported to UNFCCC (2014) correlates best with total population (<i>POP</i>) for industrialised countries and with urban population in case of developing countries. As such the total <i>MSW</i> is calculated using the respective correlation for each country according to whether it is industrialised or developing. The <i>DOC</i> fraction of the total <i>MSW</i> landfilled is direct input to a First Order Decay (FOD) model for CH₄ generation, described according to IPCC (2006) Guidelines by formula (3), and using default parameters for the Methane Correction Factor (MCF), the decomposition constant (<i>k</i>) and the Oxidation Factor (OX).</p>	<p>The MCF is characterised by the type of landfill: managed aerobic or anaerobic, unmanaged deep or shallow. Decomposition under anaerobic conditions is assumed to occur for 50% in the countries apart from 12 Annex I countries, which are corrected to a country-specific estimate based on their UNFCCC (2014) reports. The MCF default is calculated as a linear variation between 0.4 and 1.0 with the urban population share and is corrected with reported data from UNFCCC (2014) reports of Annex I countries for 1990-2012 and linearly extrapolated backwards in time. The decomposition constant <i>k</i> is inversely proportional to the half-life value of the <i>DOC</i> and depends on climatic conditions, so that the exponential decaying reaction varies between 0.96 and 0.67. The IPCC Waste Model specifies default <i>k</i> values for 4 climatic zones (dry temperate, wet temperate, dry tropical and moist/wet tropical) are applied, except for the Annex I countries where the nationally measured value is selected instead. As Oonk (2010) indicated, the <i>k</i>-value of CH₄ generation half-life or biodegradation rate is a less sensitive parameter in the emissions calculation with the FOD than the oxidation of CH₄, for which data are missing. OX, which depends in part on the top layer design of the landfill and on climatic conditions, is by default zero and is only updated to a value between 3% and 10% for those Annex I countries which reported this oxidation in their national inventory report (UNFCCC, 2014). The volumetric fraction of CH₄ in generated landfill gas is assumed constant and equal to 50% for all world countries. Finally, the amounts of recovered CH₄ R (used or flared) are subtracted from the gross CH₄ emissions, only for Annex I countries, who reported this to UNFCCC (2014) and for 23 non-Annex I countries with CDM projects reported by the UNEP Risø Centre (2011). It is evident that these estimates are relatively uncertain, even though the source is declining considerably.</p>
	incineration	<p>Other waste sources are incineration, with activity data from UNFCCC (2014) and IPCC (2006), extrapolated assuming a fixed ratio to landfilling, and secondly, composting, based on UNFCCC (2014) data for Annex I countries, Gupta et al. (1998) for developing countries and Sharholly et al. (2008) for India.</p>	<p>IPCC (2006) Guidelines for combustion of fuel types</p>



Wastewater statistics	<p>The effect wastewater discharges have on the receiving environment depends on the oxygen required to oxidize soluble and particulate organic matter in the water and as such the Chemical Oxygen Demand (COD) and Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD) are used to characterise the quality of industrial and domestic wastewater. The total organically degradable material in wastewater for industry (TOWi) is estimated as kg COD /yr with country-specific data on meat (FAO, 2016a), sugar (FAO, 2016b), pulp (FAO, 2016c), ethyl alcohol (UN SD, 2016; Renewable Fuels Association – RFA, 2016) and organic chemical (31 chemicals) production. IPCC (2006c) default values for wastewater generation and CODs are used to derive TOWs for each industry type. The annual total population (both sexes) by country is obtained from the yearly revised world population prospects of UN DP (2015) provides consistent time series 1950-2015 (used from 1970 onwards) for 228 world countries . With the country-specific percentage of population at mid-year residing in urban areas from the world urbanisation prospects of UN DP (2014), two additional time series, one for urban population and one for the counterpart of rural population were derived for each of the 228 countries.</p>	<p>For domestic and commercial organically degradable material in wastewater (TOWd) we used IPCC (2006) with default values for kg BOD /yr for rural and urban (low and high-income) areas. Country-specific shares of low-income and high-income urban population are taken from UNHABITAT (2016a, 2016b) and World Bank (2016). Different wastewater treatments are specified with technology-specific CH₄ emission factors. For domestic wastewater the sewer to waste water treatment plants (WWTP), sewer to raw discharge, bucket latrine, improved latrine, public or open pit and septic tank are distinguished. Regional or country-specific default fractions for 2000 are from IPCC (2006). In addition, country-specific shares of different wastewater treatment systems representing improved sanitation over time are taken from Van Dreht et al. (2009) and Doorn and Liles (1999). For industrial CH₄ emissions, on-site treatment in WWTP, sewer with and without city-WWTP, and raw discharge are distinguished with shares and regional emission factors from Doorn et al. (1997). For N₂O, nitrogen in the effluent discharged to aquatic environments (N-effluent) was calculated following IPCC (2006) for each country, as a function of the human population and annual per capita protein consumption data from FAO (2016a,b). Other parameters are kept constant: the nitrogen fraction for protein is 0.16 kg N /kg protein (IPCC (2006) default values), the factor for non-consumed protein entering wastewater is 1.25 for the USA and 1.1 for all other countries, and the factor for industrial and commercial co-discharged protein into the sewer system is 0.25 for industrial N-effluent and 1.00 for domestic and commercial N-effluent.</p>
Indirect N ₂ O	<p>Indirect N₂O emissions from atmospheric deposition of nitrogen of NO_x and NH₃ emissions from non-agricultural sources, mainly fossil fuel combustion, are estimated using nitrogen in NO_x and NH₃ emissions from these sources as activity data, based on EDGAR v4.3.2 data for these gases. The same emission factor from IPCC (2006) is used for indirect N₂O from atmospheric deposition of nitrogen from NH₃ and NO_x emissions, as for agricultural emissions.</p>	
fossil fuel fires	<p>Fossil fuel fires include the Kuwait oil and gas fires with the amount of fuel burnt evaluated by Husain (1994) and the underground coal mine fires evaluated by Van Dijk et al. (2009), mainly for China and India.</p>	

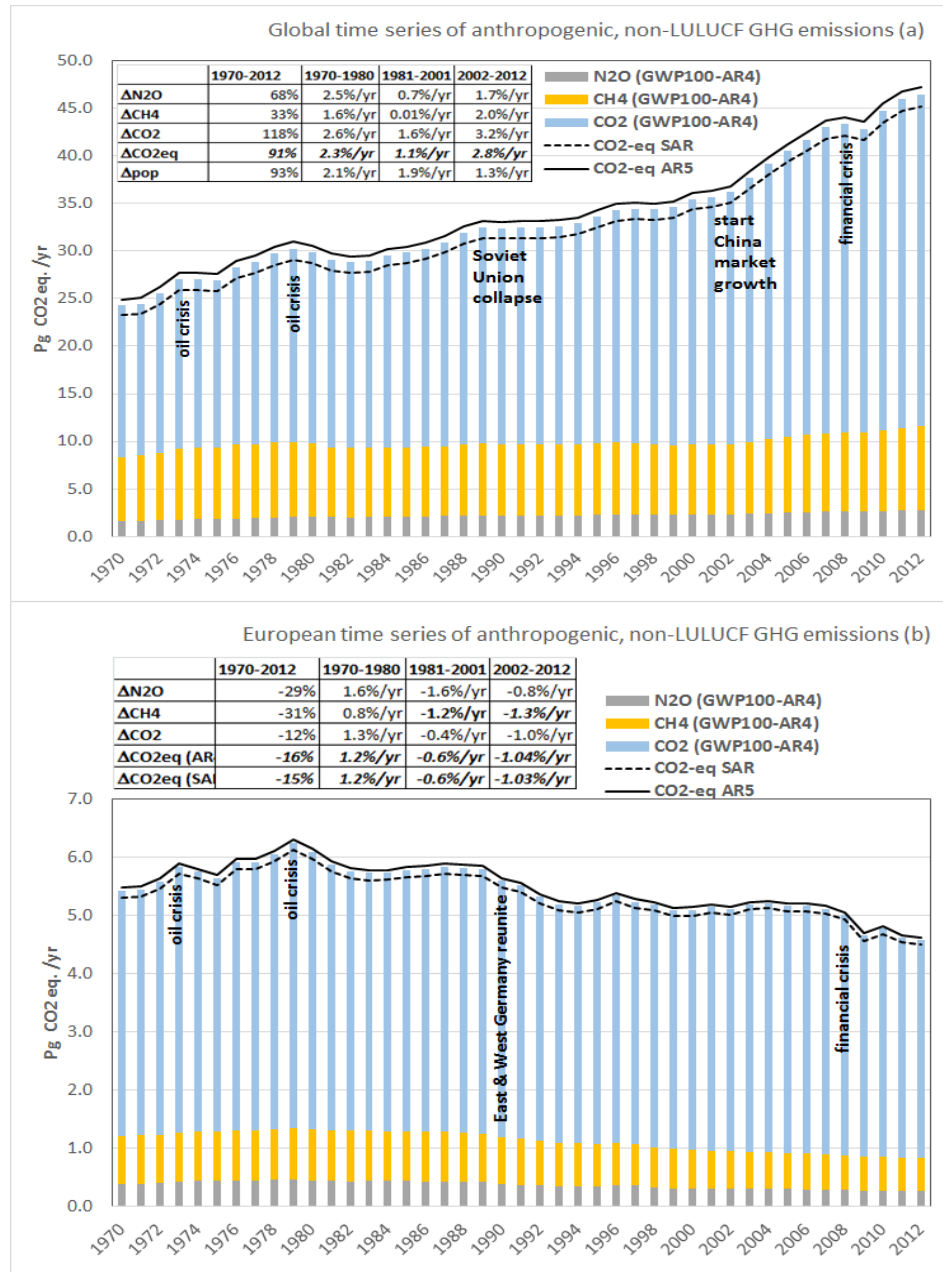


Figure 3: (a) Timeseries 1970-2012 of fossil fuel CO₂, CH₄ and N₂O global emissions from human activities excluding the LULUCF sector. The stacked bars use AR4 GWP-100 values whereas the dashed line and full line indicate the total CO_{2eq} of the three gases in the case the SAR and the AR5 GWP-100 values are respectively used.

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Table 2: Uncertainty of the GHG inventory for countries and country types (a) with the uncertainties per gas (b)

CO _{2eq}	1990	1995	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
σ China	20.8%	17.8%	16.9%	16.6%	15.1%	14.2%	13.6%	12.7%	12.4%	12.1%	12.0%	11.8%	11.6%	11.3%	11.3%
σ India	28.4%	25.6%	23.7%	23.6%	23.2%	23.1%	15.9%	21.5%	20.9%	20.6%	20.2%	19.2%	18.9%	18.4%	17.2%
σ Brasil	33.4%	33.3%	30.2%	30.5%	31.1%	31.8%	31.8%	30.3%	30.1%	29.5%	29.2%	30.0%	29.0%	28.6%	28.3%
σ Rest_ non-AnnexI	23.4%	22.7%	22.1%	21.9%	21.8%	21.8%	21.7%	21.6%	21.5%	21.4%	21.3%	21.3%	21.1%	21.1%	21.1%
σ USA	10.9%	8.2%	7.6%	7.6%	7.6%	7.6%	7.5%	5.4%	5.5%	5.5%	5.5%	5.6%	5.6%	5.6%	5.7%
σ EU15	12.7%	10.4%	9.6%	9.4%	9.3%	9.1%	9.0%	5.9%	5.9%	5.9%	5.9%	6.0%	5.9%	6.0%	6.0%
σ Rest_ 24OECD90	12.7%	12.6%	8.1%	8.1%	7.9%	7.8%	7.8%	6.3%	6.2%	6.2%	6.2%	6.3%	6.3%	6.2%	6.2%
σ Russia	12.3%	12.6%	12.2%	12.2%	12.3%	12.3%	12.3%	12.4%	12.3%	12.4%	12.5%	12.8%	12.7%	12.5%	12.5%
σ EU13	13.0%	12.7%	12.8%	12.7%	12.9%	12.7%	12.8%	10.7%	10.5%	10.4%	10.5%	11.2%	10.7%	10.7%	10.8%
σ Rest_ 16EIT90	11.6%	12.7%	12.6%	12.5%	12.7%	12.5%	12.5%	12.7%	12.6%	12.5%	12.9%	13.7%	13.2%	14.3%	14.4%

(a)

CO ₂	1990	1995	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
σ China	12.0%	12.0%	12.0%	12.0%	9.0%	9.0%	9.0%	9.0%	9.0%	9.0%	9.0%	9.0%	9.0%	9.0%	9.0%
σ India	12.0%	12.0%	12.0%	12.0%	12.0%	12.0%	12.0%	12.0%	12.0%	12.0%	12.0%	12.0%	12.0%	12.0%	9.0%
σ Brasil	15.0%	15.0%	12.0%	12.0%	12.0%	12.0%	12.0%	12.0%	12.0%	12.0%	12.0%	12.0%	12.0%	12.0%	12.0%
σ Rest_ non-AnnexI	15.0%	15.0%	15.0%	15.0%	15.0%	15.0%	15.0%	15.0%	15.0%	15.0%	15.0%	15.0%	15.0%	15.0%	15.0%
σ USA	10.0%	9.0%	9.0%	9.0%	9.0%	9.0%	9.0%	5.0%	5.0%	5.0%	5.0%	5.0%	5.0%	5.0%	5.0%
σ EU15	10.0%	9.0%	9.0%	9.0%	9.0%	9.0%	9.0%	5.0%	5.0%	5.0%	5.0%	5.0%	5.0%	5.0%	5.0%
σ Rest_ 24OECD90	10.0%	10.0%	9.0%	9.0%	9.0%	9.0%	9.0%	5.0%	5.0%	5.0%	5.0%	5.0%	5.0%	5.0%	5.0%
σ Russia	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%
σ EU13	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	9.0%	9.0%	9.0%	9.0%	9.0%	9.0%	9.0%	9.0%
σ Rest_ 16EIT90	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%

CH ₄	1990	1995	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
σ China	60.0%	60.0%	60.0%	60.0%	60.0%	60.0%	60.0%	57.0%	57.0%	57.0%	57.0%	57.0%	57.0%	57.0%	57.0%
σ India	60.0%	60.0%	60.0%	60.0%	60.0%	60.0%	57.0%	57.0%	57.0%	57.0%	57.0%	57.0%	57.0%	57.0%	57.0%
σ Brasil	60.0%	60.0%	60.0%	60.0%	60.0%	60.0%	60.0%	57.0%	57.0%	57.0%	57.0%	57.0%	57.0%	57.0%	57.0%
σ Rest_ non-AnnexI	60.0%	60.0%	60.0%	60.0%	60.0%	60.0%	60.0%	60.0%	60.0%	60.0%	60.0%	60.0%	60.0%	60.0%	60.0%
σ USA	60.0%	57.0%	57.0%	57.0%	57.0%	57.0%	57.0%	32.0%	32.0%	32.0%	32.0%	32.0%	32.0%	32.0%	32.0%
σ EU15	60.0%	57.0%	57.0%	57.0%	57.0%	57.0%	57.0%	32.0%	32.0%	32.0%	32.0%	32.0%	32.0%	32.0%	32.0%
σ Rest_ 24OECD90	60.0%	60.0%	57.0%	57.0%	57.0%	57.0%	57.0%	32.0%	32.0%	32.0%	32.0%	32.0%	32.0%	32.0%	32.0%
σ Russia	60.0%	60.0%	60.0%	60.0%	60.0%	60.0%	60.0%	60.0%	60.0%	60.0%	60.0%	60.0%	60.0%	60.0%	60.0%
σ EU13	60.0%	60.0%	60.0%	60.0%	60.0%	60.0%	60.0%	57.0%	57.0%	57.0%	57.0%	57.0%	57.0%	57.0%	57.0%
σ Rest_ 16EIT90	60.0%	60.0%	60.0%	60.0%	60.0%	60.0%	60.0%	60.0%	60.0%	60.0%	60.0%	60.0%	60.0%	60.0%	60.0%

N ₂ O	1990	1995	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
σ China	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	93.0%	93.0%	93.0%	93.0%	93.0%	93.0%	93.0%	93.0%
σ India	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	93.0%	93.0%	93.0%	93.0%	93.0%	93.0%	93.0%	93.0%	93.0%
σ Brasil	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	93.0%	93.0%	93.0%	93.0%	93.0%	93.0%	93.0%	93.0%
σ Rest_ non-AnnexI	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
σ USA	100.0%	93.0%	93.0%	93.0%	93.0%	93.0%	93.0%	42.0%	42.0%	42.0%	42.0%	42.0%	42.0%	42.0%	42.0%
σ EU15	100.0%	93.0%	93.0%	93.0%	93.0%	93.0%	93.0%	42.0%	42.0%	42.0%	42.0%	42.0%	42.0%	42.0%	42.0%
σ Rest_ 24OECD90	100.0%	100.0%	93.0%	93.0%	93.0%	93.0%	93.0%	42.0%	42.0%	42.0%	42.0%	42.0%	42.0%	42.0%	42.0%
σ Russia	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
σ EU13	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	93.0%	93.0%	93.0%	93.0%	93.0%	93.0%	93.0%	93.0%
σ Rest_ 16EIT90	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

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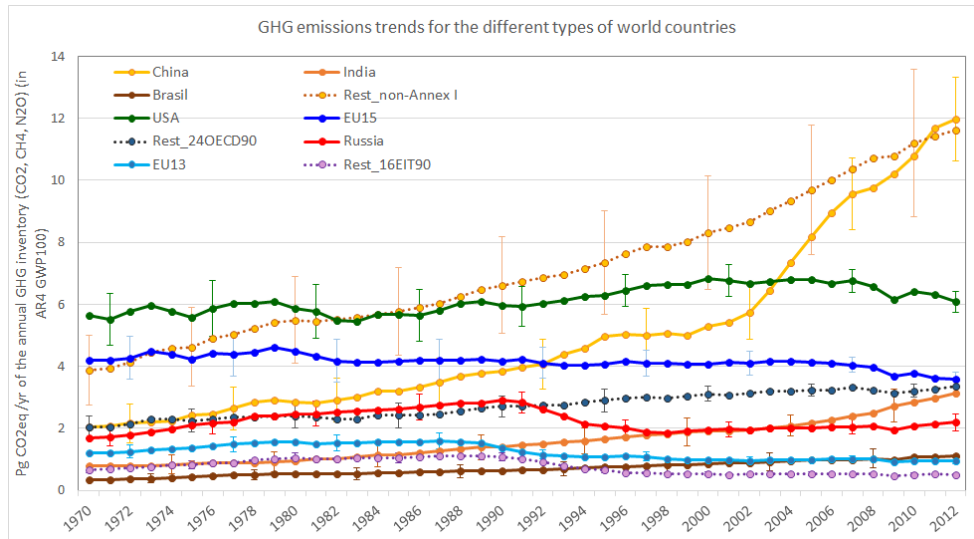


Figure 4: Annual greenhouse gas time series 1970-2012 of EDGARv4.3.2 with periodic error bar indication for the different types of countries with top emitters: (i) non-Annex I countries with China, India, Brasil and Rest of non-Annex I countries, (ii) 24OECD90 countries with USA, EU15 and the remaining 8 OECD countries of 1990, (iii) 16EIT90 countries with Russia, EU13 and the remaining 2 newly independent Eurasian states. For the figures per gas we refer to figures S4a-c in the Supplementary.

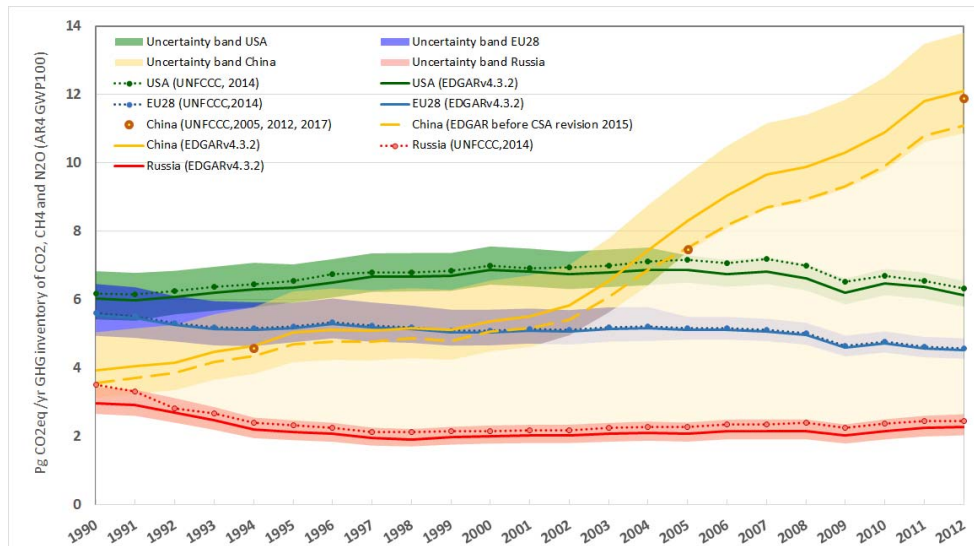


Figure 5: GHG emissions of largest emitting countries and regions (USA, EU28, Russia, China) of EDGARv4.3.2 (solid line) with their uncertainty band compared to the reported UNFCCC time series of 2016 (dotted line). For China, two inventories were reported by national communications (1994, 2005) and a biennial update in 2017 added a new inventory value for 2012. The dashed yellow line gives the EDGARv4.3.1 estimate of the Chinese GHG emissions using the energy statistics before the Coal Statistics Abstract (CSA) revision of October 2015.



Table 3: Intercomparison of eight global CO₂ datasets (GCP, Le Quéré et al., 2016; PKU-FUEL, Wang et al., 2013; ODIAC2016, Oda et al., 2018; CDIAC, Andres et al., 2014; EIA, 2014; IEA, 2014; BP, 2016) with regard to their spatial and temporal coverage and their estimate of the global CO₂ totals per source for 2010 (and 2007 for PKU-FUEL).

CO ₂ totals in Pg/yr for 2010	EDGARv4.3.2	GCP	PKU-FUEL (-CO ₂)	ODIAC2016
Time series	1970-2012, fast track to 2015	1959-2015	2007	2000-2016
spatial resolution	0.1° x 0.1°		0.1° x 0.1°	1km x 1km
temporal resolution	Monthly	Annual	Annual	Monthly
Geo-coverage	226 countries	Global	223 countries	global
activity split	150 activities, 42 fossil and 15 bio fuels)	5 main sectors, 42 fuel types	64 fuel types	6 data inputs (based on nighttime light, CARMA and CDIAC)
fossil fuel combustion	30.5 (±5.3) 95%CI	Bottom-up estimate: 34.5 [Top down estimate: 35.6]	28.71	33.4
non-combustion	3.1 (±1.6) 95%CI			1.6
CO ₂ totals in Pg/yr for 2010	CDIAC	EIA	IEA	BP
Time series	1751-2014	1980-2011	1971-2014	1965-2015
temporal resolution	annual	Annual	Annual	Annual
Geo-coverage	224 countries	224 countries	137 countries, 3 regions	67 countries, 5 regions
activity split-up	5 main sectors, 42 fuel types	6 main sectors, 42 fuel types	64 activities, 42 fossil and 15 bio fuels)	8 activities, 3 fossil and 3 other fuel types
fossil fuel combustion	32.7	31.6	31.0	33.5
non-combustion	1.6			

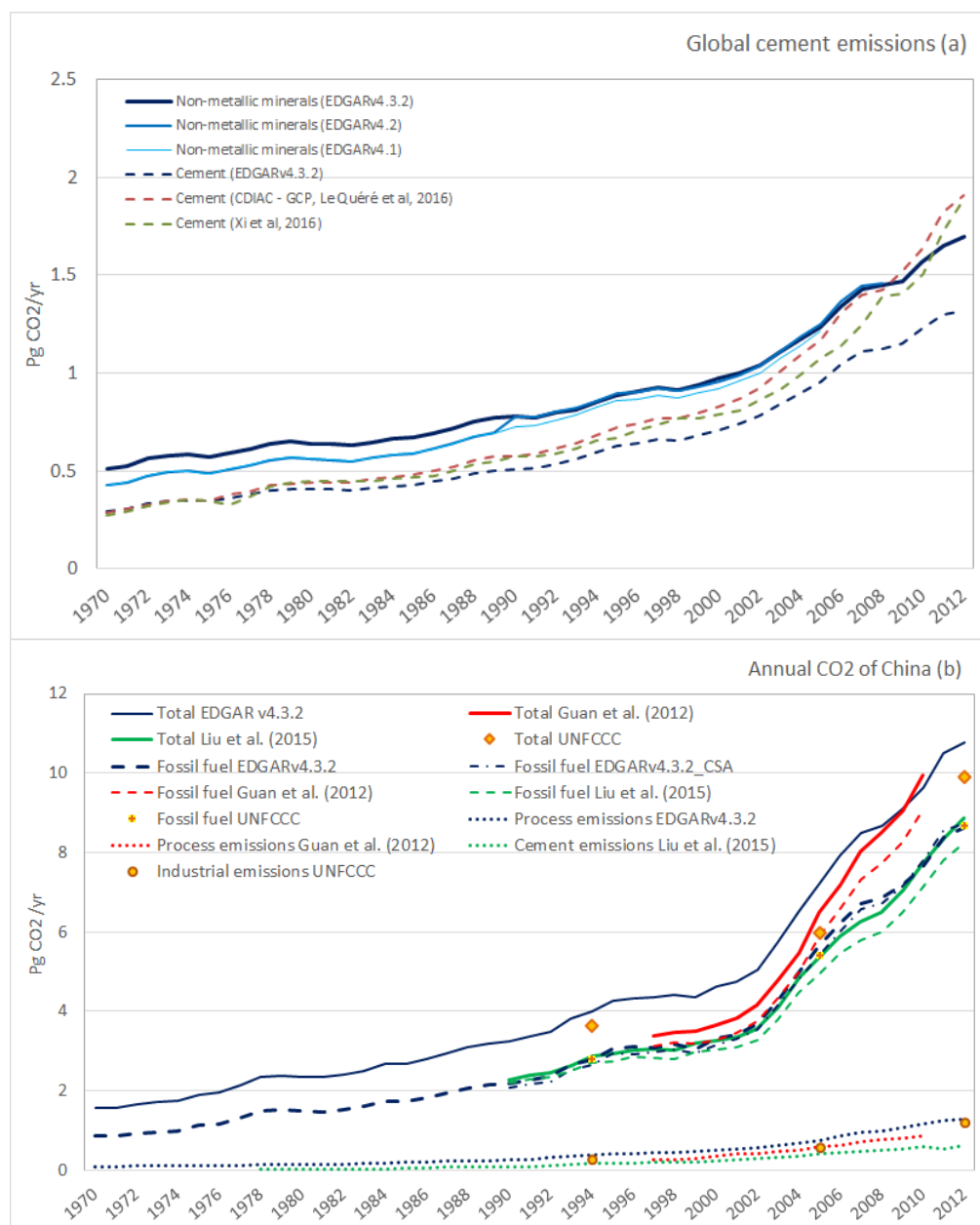


Figure 6: Intercomparison of CO₂ emissions trends estimated by EDGAR and by others with: (a) details for cement process emissions globally with data of Le Quéré et al. (2016) and Xi et al. (2016), (b) details for China's sector-specific emissions with data of Guan et al. (2012) and Liu et al. (2015). Total is for all datasets subdivided into Fossil fuel combustion and Industrial process emissions (i.e. non-combustion industrial emissions, including cement)

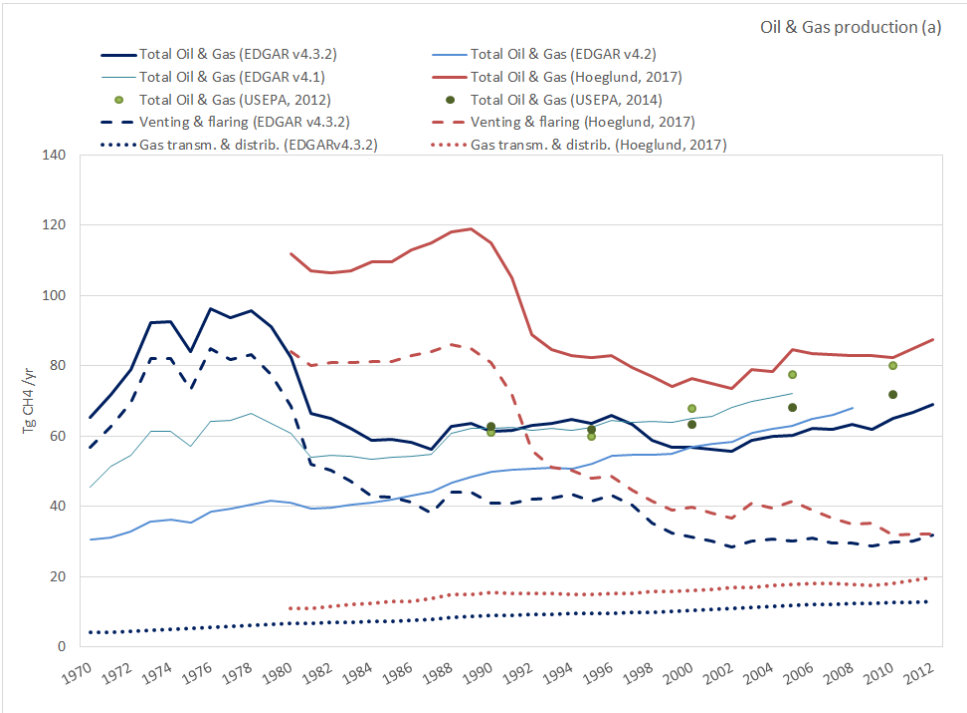
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Table 4: Intercomparison of the global total Pg CH₄ in 2010 by EDGARv4.3.2 and by four other global emission inventories: USEPA (2012), GAINS-ECLIPSEv5 CH₄ of Höglund-Isaksson et al. (2015), Kirschke et al. (2013) and the global methane budget of Saunio et al. (2016). Note that the sector-specific global total is given in Tg CH₄/yr for 2010 and in brackets for 2000. USEPA 2010 value is projected. For Kirschke, instead of 2010 (2000) we used the Maximum (Minimum) of the 2000-2009 range. For Saunio we used instead of 2010 [2000] the 2012 value [mean value of the 2000-2009 range]. The 2010 values are bold, the 2000 values are in italics.

CH ₄ totals in Tg/yr for 2010 [2000]	EDGARv4.3.2	USEPA (2012)	GAINS ECLIPSEv5 (2015)	Kirschke et al. (2013) Bottom up [Top down]	Saunio et al. (2016) Bottom up [Top down]
Time series	1970-2012	1990-2005 (projected to 2030)	1990-2010	1980-2009	2000-2012
spatial resolution	0.1°x0.1°	None	1°x1°		
temporal resolution	monthly	Annual	Annual	Annual	Annual
Geo-coverage	227 countries	224 countries	77 countries & 5 regions	Global	global
Agricultural sector	154 (±92) [137]	147 [136]	129 [123]	Bottom up: 219 [263] [Top down: 286 [204]]	Bottom up: 197 [190] [Top down: 200 [183]]
Waste & wastewater	67 (±61) [59]	65 [58]	51 [46]	Bottom up: 105 (85) [Top down: 123 [77]]	Bottom up 164 [142] [Top down: 147 [136]]
energy and fossil fuel production	121 (±91) [96]	129 [107]	144 [116]	123 [77]	147 [136]
Other	21 (±20) [18]		19 [17]	-	-
Total	342 (±160) [293]		342 [302]	Bottom up: 368 [304] [Top down: 409 [273]]	Bottom-up: 370 [338] [Top down: 347 [319]]



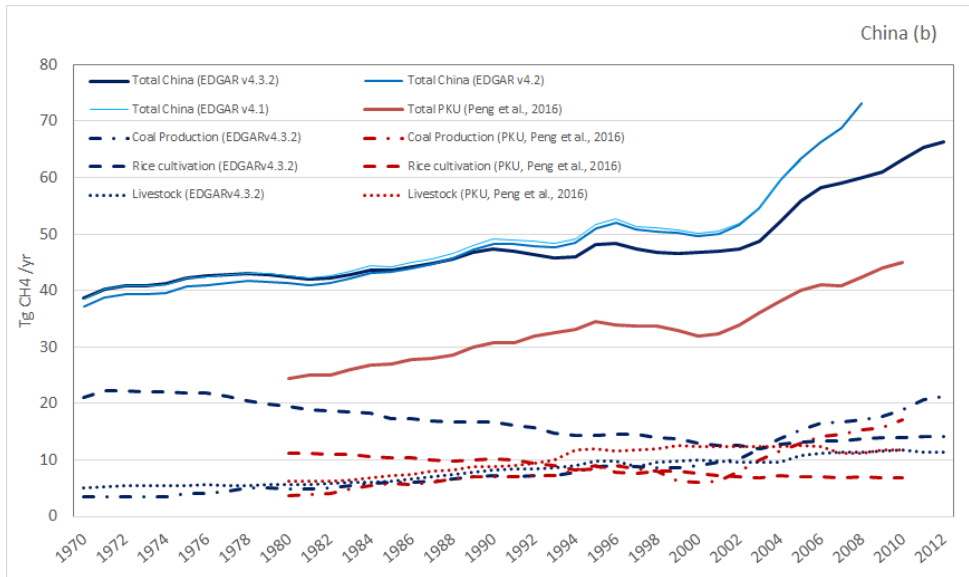


Figure 7: Intercomparison of CH₄ emissions trends estimated by EDGAR and by others with: (a) details for the CH₄ venting for oil and gas extraction, transmission and distribution with data of Höglund-Isaksson (2017) and (b) details for China's sector-specific emissions with data of Peng et al. (2016)

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Table 5: Intercomparison of the global [EU] total Tg N₂O in 2005 by EDGARv4.3.2 and by other European and global inventories: The European N Assessment of Leip et al. (2011) for EU27, GAINS Europe of Höglund-Isaksson et al. (2010) and GAINS global of Winiwarter et al. (2018), global total of USEPA (2012). The global values are bold, the European values are given in *italics* between brackets.

N ₂ O totals in Tg/yr for 2005 global [EU]	EDGARv4.3.2 global [EU27]	N-Budget [EU27]	GAINS global [EU27]	USEPA (2012) global
timeseries	1970-2012	2000-2007	1990-2015 (projected to 2030)	1990-2005 (projected to 2030)
spatial resolution	0.1° x 0.1°	1km x1km		
temporal resolution	Monthly	Annual	5-yearly	annual
Geocoverage	226 countries <i>[27 countries in Europe in 2005]</i>	<i>[27 countries in Europe in 2005]</i>	172 countries/regions <i>[27 countries in Europe in 2005]</i>	global
Agriculture	4.63 (±3.6) <i>[0.43 (±0.23)]</i>	<i>[0.68]</i>	5.71 <i>[0.87]</i>	1.95
Non-Agriculture	2.54 (±2.5) <i>[0.37 (±0.35)]</i>	<i>[0.31]</i>	1.97 <i>[0.44]</i>	8.91
Total	7.16 (±6.7) <i>[0.80 (±0.45)]</i>	<i>[1.08]</i>	7.68 <i>[1.30]</i>	10.86

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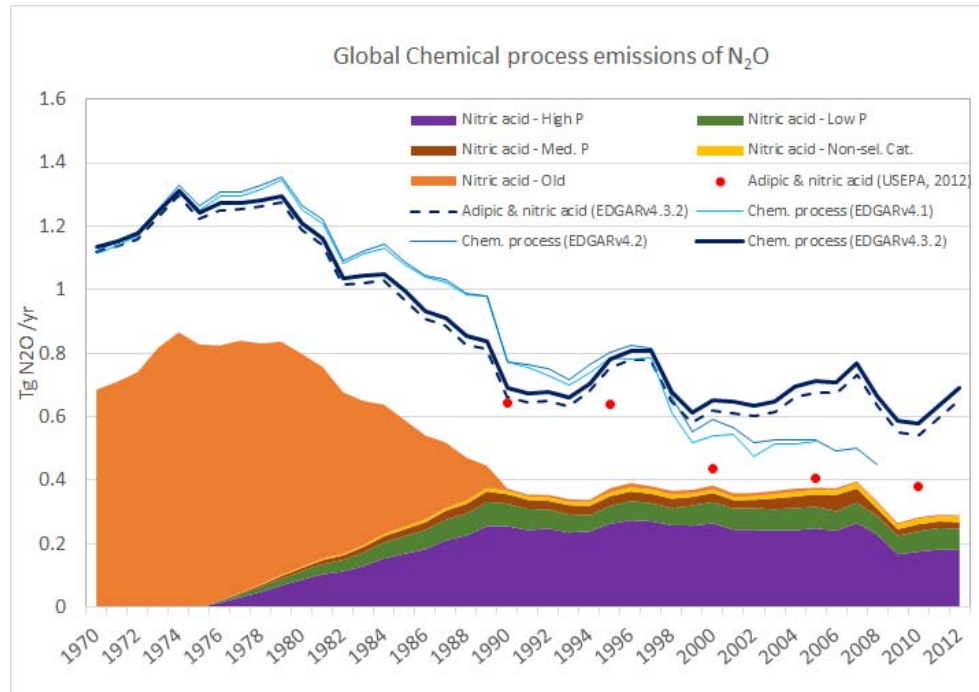


Figure 8: Global N₂O emissions trends for chemical processes, which are mainly originating from Nitric and Adipic Acid Production (aside of smaller contributions from Glyoxal and Caprolactam Production) The coloured area illustrates the penetration of technology for nitric acid production (with High Pressure plants, Medium Pressure plants, Low Pressure plants, plants with Non-Selective Catalytic Reduction and Old plants) to reduce the emissions.

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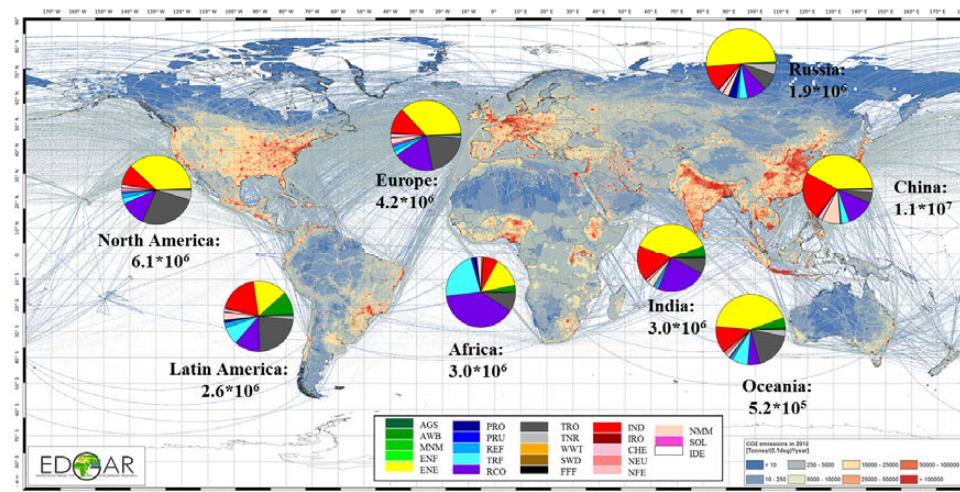


Figure 9: CO₂ emission grid-map and relative contribution of EDGAR sectors in world regions (pie charts) for 2012. The legend for the PIE charts relate to the EDGAR sectors, defined in Table S3: AGS= agricultural soils, AWB=agricultural waste burning, MNM=manure management, ENF=enteric fermentation, ENE=power industry, PRO=fuel production, PRU=production & use of products, REF=oil refineries, TRF=transformation industry, RCO=residential, TRO=road transport, TNR=non-road transport, WWT=waste water, SWD=solid waste disposal, FFF=fossil fuel fires, IND=manufacturing industry, IRO=iron & steel, CHE=chemicals, NEU=non-energy use, NFE=non-ferrous metals, NMM=non-metallic minerals,

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SOL=solvents, IDE=indirect emissions. The represented CO₂ emissions include also those from short-cycle carbon (i.e. of e.g. biofuel combustion and agricultural waste burning).

5 **Table 6a - Global and regional GHG emissions (in ktons and tons/person) for the year 2012. CO_{2eq} emissions have been calculated including only CO₂ from long-cycle carbon only, CH₄ and N₂O.**

year 2012	CO ₂ long cycle C	CO ₂ short cycle C	CH ₄	N ₂ O	CO _{2eq} (AR5)	CO _{2eq} (AR4)	CO _{2eq} (SAR)	CO _{2eq} (AR4)/cap
Canada	5.64E+05	5.33E+04	4.68E+03	1.23E+02	7.28E+05	7.18E+05	7.00E+05	20.6
USA	5.20E+06	3.10E+05	2.58E+04	9.44E+02	6.18E+06	6.13E+06	6.04E+06	19.5
Mexico	4.84E+05	5.23E+04	5.20E+03	3.73E+02	7.29E+05	7.26E+05	7.09E+05	5.9
Rest Central America	1.71E+05	9.63E+04	3.60E+03	8.54E+01	2.95E+05	2.87E+05	2.73E+05	3.3
Brazil	4.73E+05	5.20E+05	1.92E+04	5.63E+02	1.16E+06	1.12E+06	1.05E+06	5.5
Rest South America	6.61E+05	1.59E+05	1.62E+04	4.07E+02	1.22E+06	1.19E+06	1.13E+06	5.8
Northern Africa	4.87E+05	1.68E+04	7.20E+03	1.40E+02	7.25E+05	7.08E+05	6.81E+05	4.1
Western Africa	1.71E+05	9.14E+05	1.57E+04	2.77E+02	6.83E+05	6.45E+05	5.86E+05	1.5
Eastern Africa	5.51E+04	5.53E+05	1.15E+04	3.33E+02	4.65E+05	4.42E+05	4.00E+05	1.6
Southern Africa	4.49E+05	3.95E+05	8.21E+03	1.94E+02	7.30E+05	7.12E+05	6.82E+05	3.5
OECD Europe	3.08E+06	3.74E+05	1.83E+04	7.10E+02	3.78E+06	3.75E+06	3.68E+06	9.1
Central Europe	8.51E+05	1.08E+05	6.41E+03	2.39E+02	1.09E+06	1.08E+06	1.06E+06	8.7
Turkey	3.40E+05	3.37E+04	3.76E+03	1.56E+02	4.87E+05	4.80E+05	4.67E+05	6.4
Ukraine +	3.93E+05	2.45E+04	3.46E+03	1.61E+02	5.32E+05	5.27E+05	5.15E+05	9.0
Asia-Stan	4.52E+05	6.00E+03	7.75E+03	1.12E+02	6.99E+05	6.79E+05	6.50E+05	10.6
Russia +	1.82E+06	3.29E+04	1.84E+04	2.35E+02	2.39E+06	2.35E+06	2.28E+06	14.7
Middle_East	1.84E+06	8.65E+03	2.05E+04	2.17E+02	2.48E+06	2.42E+06	2.34E+06	10.7
India +	2.34E+06	1.19E+06	4.70E+04	1.10E+03	3.95E+06	3.85E+06	3.67E+06	2.3
Korea	6.61E+05	1.08E+04	2.41E+03	5.26E+01	7.43E+05	7.37E+05	7.28E+05	9.9
China +	1.03E+07	8.50E+05	6.76E+04	1.78E+03	1.26E+07	1.25E+07	1.22E+07	9.0
South-East Asia	8.03E+05	5.43E+05	1.93E+04	2.97E+02	1.42E+06	1.37E+06	1.30E+06	3.8
Indonesia +	4.53E+05	3.28E+05	1.21E+04	2.58E+02	8.61E+05	8.33E+05	7.88E+05	3.3
Japan	1.30E+06	5.36E+04	1.85E+03	7.56E+01	1.37E+06	1.37E+06	1.36E+06	10.8



Oceania	4.67E+05	4.90E+04	6.49E+03	2.07E+02	7.04E+05	6.91E+05	6.68E+05	22.7
Internat. Shipping	6.09E+05	1.49E+02	4.92E+02	8.44E+01	6.45E+05	6.46E+05	6.45E+05	0.1
Internat. Aviation	4.83E+05		3.38E+00	2.36E+01	4.89E+05	4.90E+05	4.90E+05	0.1
Totals	3.49E+07	6.68E+06	3.53E+05	9.15E+03	4.72E+07	4.64E+07	4.51E+07	6.5

Table 6b - Global sector-specific GHG emissions for the year 2012 (in ktons and tons/person). CO_{2eq} emissions have been calculated including only CO₂ from long-cycle carbon only, CH₄ and N₂O. *Note that emissions from the Supersonic aviation are available only till the year 2003, when the Concorde airplanes stopped flying.

EDGAR SECTOR	DESCRIPTION	CO ₂ long cycle C	CO ₂ short cycle C	CH ₄	N ₂ O	CO _{2eq} (AR5)	CO _{2eq} (AR4)	CO _{2eq} (SAR)	CO _{2eq} (AR4)/cap
AGS	Agricultural soils	1.6E+05		3.8E+04	5.0E+03	2.5E+06	2.6E+06	2.5E+06	0.36
AWB	Agricultural waste burning		1.0E+06	1.8E+03	4.6E+01	6.2E+04	5.9E+04	5.2E+04	0.01
CHE	Chemical processes	6.8E+05		2.8E+02	6.9E+02	8.7E+05	8.9E+05	9.0E+05	0.13
ENE	Power industry	1.4E+07	4.9E+05	3.8E+02	2.8E+02	1.4E+07	1.4E+07	1.4E+07	1.95
ENF	Enteric fermentation			1.0E+05		2.9E+06	2.6E+06	2.2E+06	0.37
FFF	Fossil Fuel Fires	4.7E+04		1.5E+02	7.5E-01	5.2E+04	5.1E+04	5.1E+04	0.01
FOO_PAP	Food and Paper								0.00
IND	Combustion for manufacturing	5.5E+06	7.4E+05	5.6E+02	7.6E+01	5.6E+06	5.6E+06	5.6E+06	0.79
IRO	Iron and steel production	2.2E+05		5.2E+01		2.2E+05	2.2E+05	2.2E+05	0.03
MNM	Manure management			1.2E+04	3.4E+02	4.2E+05	4.0E+05	3.5E+05	0.06
NEU	Non energy use of fuels	2.5E+04				2.5E+04	2.5E+04	2.5E+04	0.003
NFE	Non-ferrous metals production	8.1E+04				8.1E+04	8.1E+04	8.1E+04	0.01
NMM	Non-metallic minerals production	1.7E+06				1.7E+06	1.7E+06	1.7E+06	0.24
PRO	Fuel exploitation	2.2E+05		1.1E+05	3.3E+00	3.2E+06	2.9E+06	2.5E+06	0.41
PRU_SOL	Solvents and products use	1.7E+05			8.6E+01	1.9E+05	1.9E+05	2.0E+05	0.03
RCO	Energy for buildings	3.3E+06	3.4E+06	1.4E+04	2.7E+02	3.7E+06	3.7E+06	3.6E+06	0.52
REF_TRF	Oil refineries and	1.8E+06	8.7E+05	6.0E+03	2.1E+01	2.0E+06	1.9E+06	1.9E+06	0.27



	Transformation industry								
SWD_IN C	Solid waste incineration	1.1E+04	1.5E+04	1.3E+03	4.0E+00	4.9E+04	4.5E+04	4.0E+04	0.01
SWD_LD F	Solid waste landfills			2.9E+04	1.1E+01	8.2E+05	7.3E+05	6.2E+05	0.10
TNR_Aviation_CD S	Aviation climbing&descent	2.9E+05		2.0E+00	8.1E+00	2.9E+05	2.9E+05	2.9E+05	0.04
TNR_Aviation_CR S	Aviation cruise	3.9E+05		2.7E+00	1.1E+01	3.9E+05	3.9E+05	3.9E+05	0.06
TNR_Aviation_LT O	Aviation landing&takeoff	9.3E+04		6.5E-01	2.6E+00	9.4E+04	9.4E+04	9.4E+04	0.01
*TNR_Aviation_SP S	Aviation supersonic								
TNR_Other	Railways, pipelines, off-road transport	2.6E+05	7.5E+02	8.7E+00	3.8E+01	2.7E+05	2.7E+05	2.7E+05	0.04
TNR_Ship	Shipping	7.8E+05	1.6E+02	7.1E+01	2.0E+01	7.9E+05	7.9E+05	7.9E+05	0.11
TRO	Road transportation	5.4E+06	1.7E+05	8.0E+02	2.3E+02	5.5E+06	5.5E+06	5.5E+06	0.78
WWT	Waste water handling			3.8E+04	3.5E+02	1.2E+06	1.1E+06	9.1E+05	0.15
IDE	Indirect emissions				6.2E+02	1.6E+05	1.8E+05	1.9E+05	0.03
N2O	Indirect N2O emissions				1.1E+03	2.8E+05	3.2E+05	3.3E+05	0.04

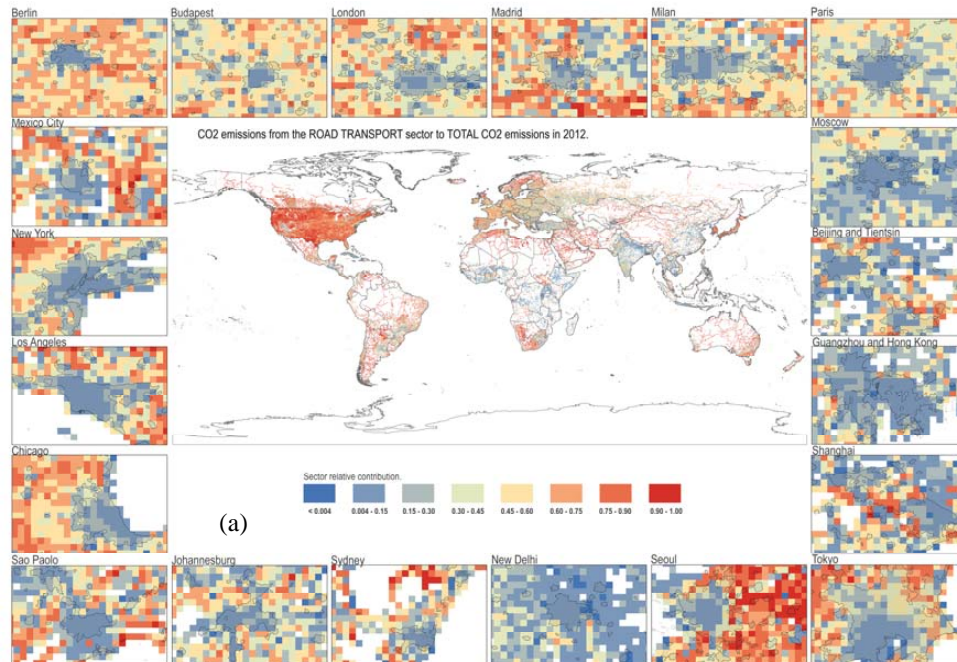


Figure 10a: Zoom of CO₂ emission grid-maps over cities, representing the share of the road transport within the cities. The represented CO₂ emissions include also those from short-cycle carbon.

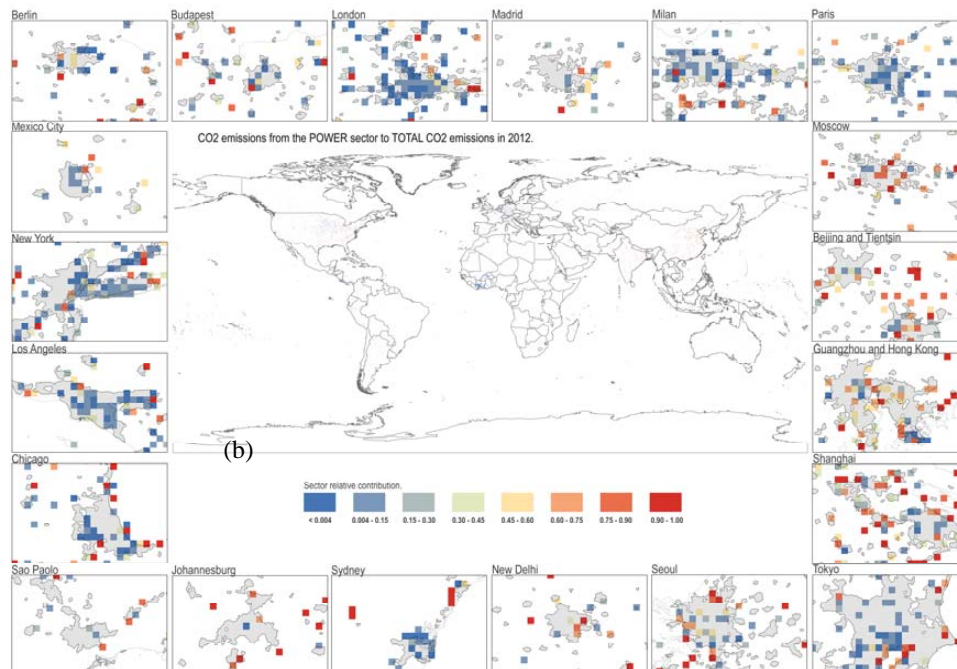


Figure 10b: Zoom of CO₂ emission grid-maps over cities, representing the share of the power plants within the cities. The represented CO₂ emissions include also those from short-cycle carbon.

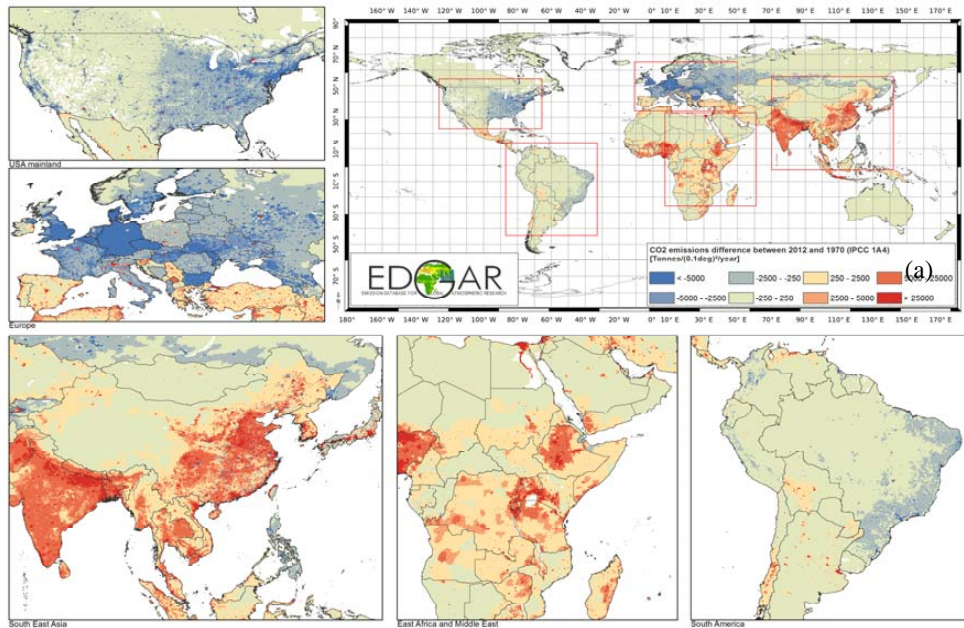


Figure 11a: Difference in CO₂ emissions from buildings between 2012 and 1970. The represented CO₂ emissions include also those from short-cycle carbon. The figures for the long-cycle and short-cycle carbon separately are taken up in the Supplementary, S5.

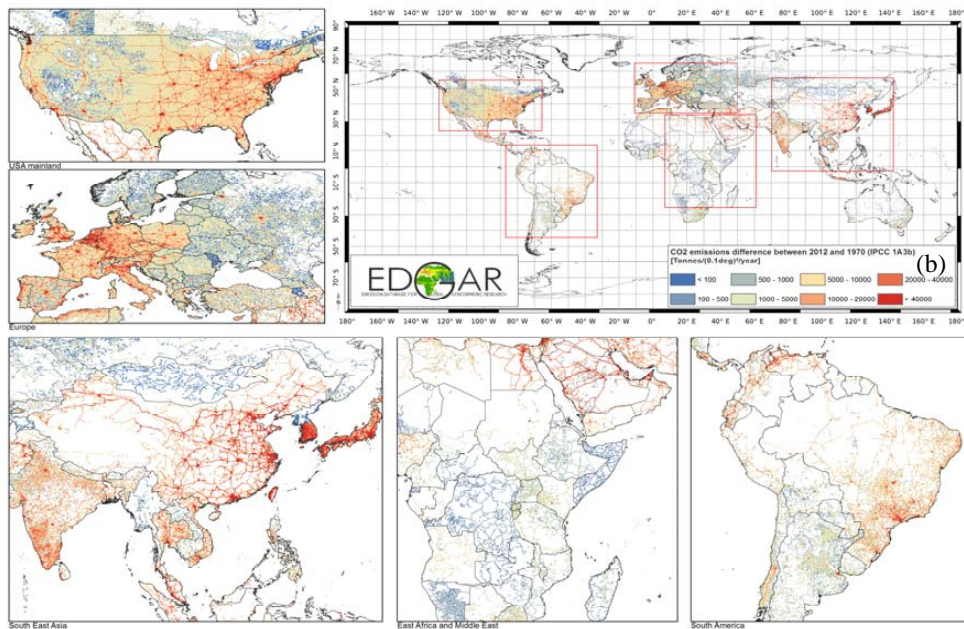


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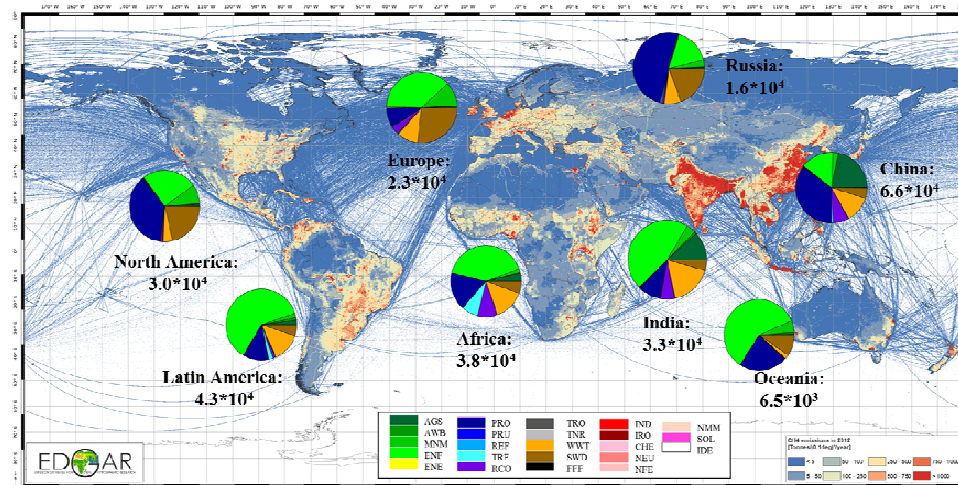


Figure 12: CH₄ emission grid-map and relative contribution of EDGAR sectors in world regions (pie charts) for 2012. The legend for the PIE charts relate to the EDGAR sectors, defined in Table S3: AGS= agricultural soils, AWB=agricultural waste burning, MNM=manure management, ENF=enteric fermentation, ENE=power industry, PRO=fuel production, PRU=production& use of products, REF=oil refineries, TRF=transformation industry, RCO=residential, TRO=road transport, TNR=non-road transport, WWT=waste water, SWD=solid waste disposal, FFF=fossil fuel fires, IND=manufacturing industry, IRO=iron & steel, CHE=chemicals, NEU=non-energy use, NFE=non-ferrous metals, NMM=non-metallic minerals, SOL=solvents, IDE=indirect emissions.

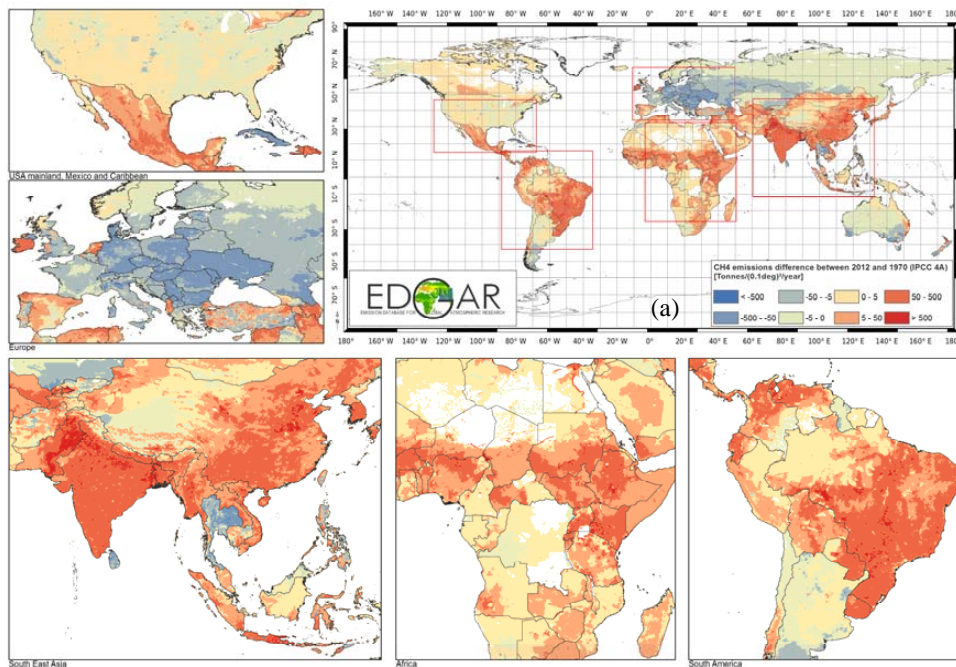


Figure 13a: Difference in CH₄ emissions from enteric fermentation between 2012 and 1970.

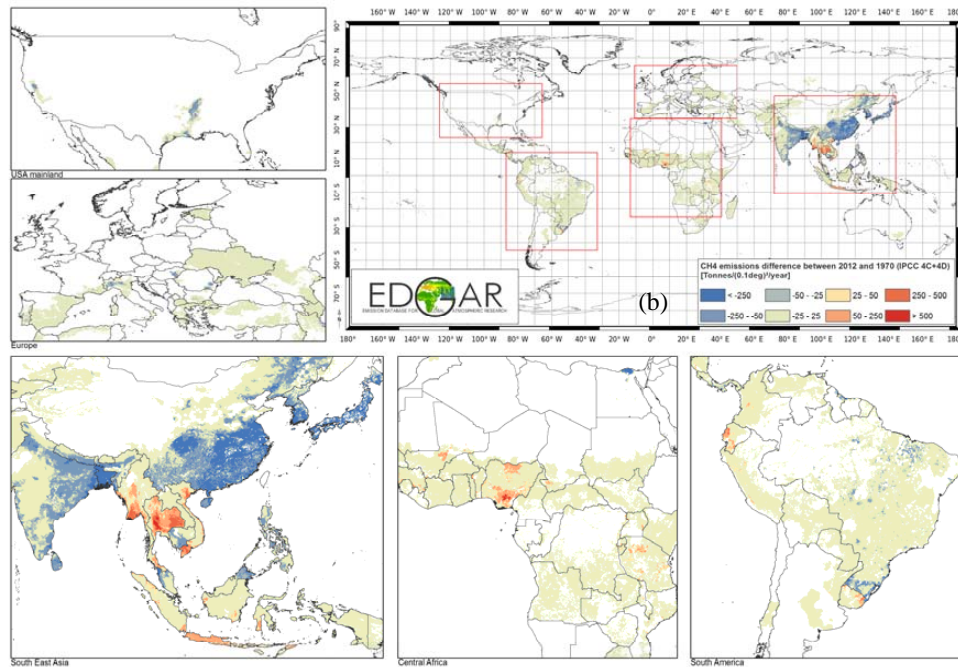
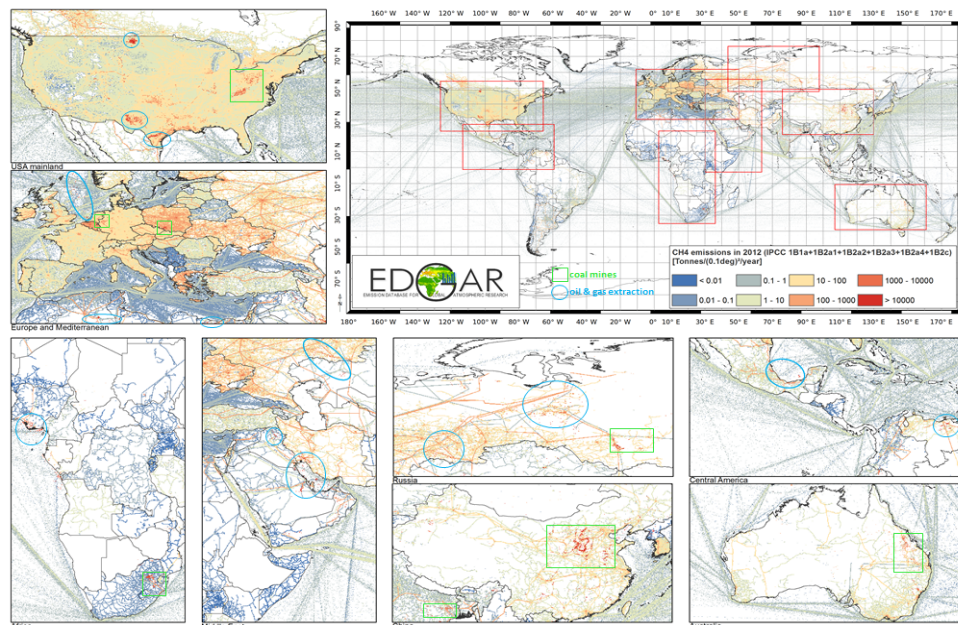


Figure 13b: Difference in CH₄ emissions from rice cultivation between 2012 and 1970.



5 Figure 14: CH₄ emissions from fossil fuel production in 2012 with zoom on areas with intense coal mining (within green frame) and gas&oil production activities with venting (within blue circle). The shipping lines are representing the CH₄ leakage during transmission of oil tanker transport as fugitive emissions from the fuel and not as combustion emissions from the tanker.

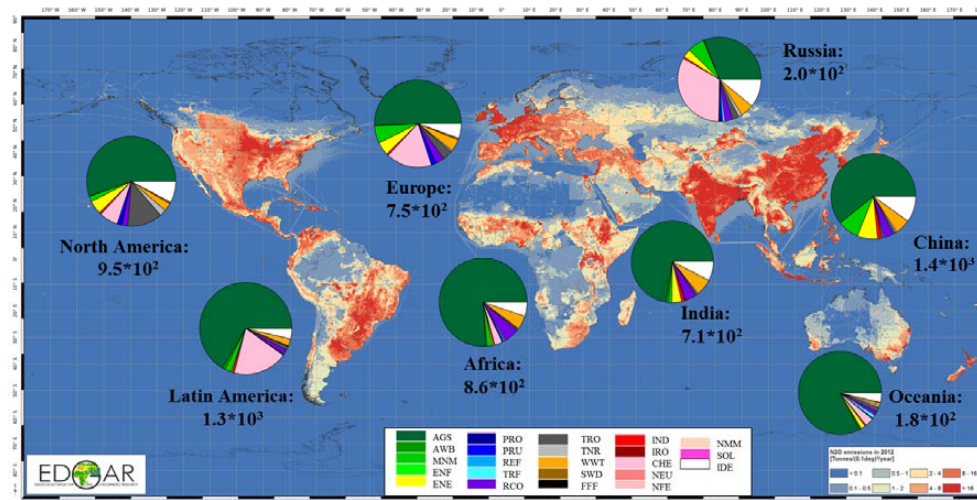


Figure 15: N₂O emission grid-map and relative contribution of EDGAR sectors in world regions (pie charts) for 2012. The legend for the PIE charts relate to the EDGAR sectors, defined in Table S3: AGS= agricultural soils, AWB=agricultural waste burning, MNM=manure management, ENF=enteric fermentation, ENE=power industry, PRO=fuel production, PRU=production& use of products, REF=oil refineries, TRF=transformation industry, RCO=residential, TRO=road transport, TNR=non-road transport, WWT=waste water, SWD=solid waste disposal, FFF=fossil fuel fires, IND=manufacturing industry, IRO=iron & steel, CHE=chemicals, NEU=non-energy use, NFE=non-ferrous metals, NMM=non-metallic minerals, SOL=solvents, IDE=indirect emissions.

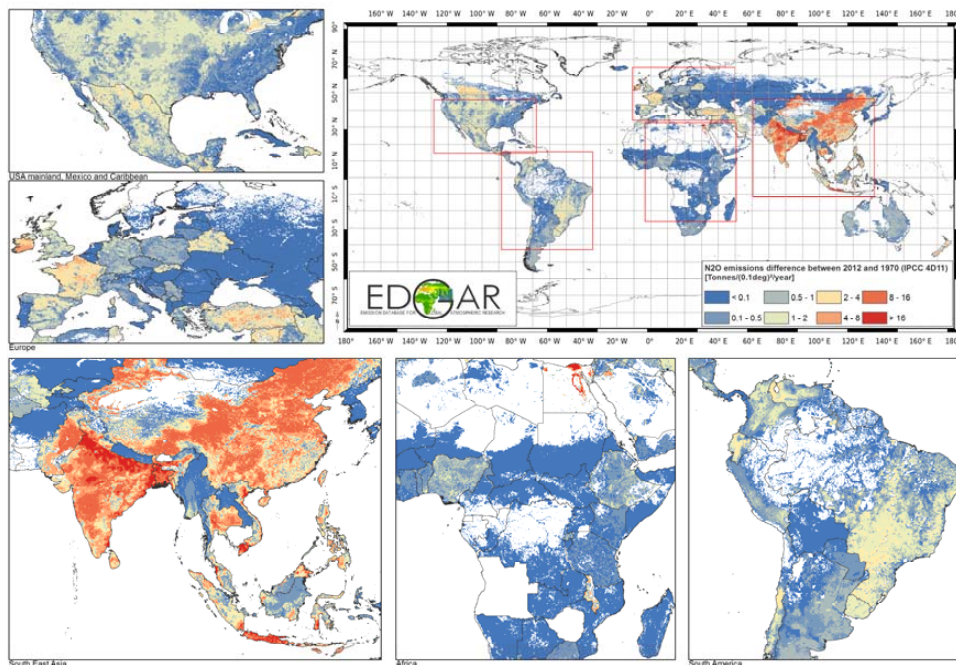


Figure 16: Difference between 2012 and 1970 in N₂O emissions from fertiliser use on agricultural soils.