## Carbon Footprint



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### **History Of Carbon Footprint?**

- The carbon footprint concept extends from "ecological footprints" by ecologist William Rees in the 1990s.
- It quantifies GHG emissions tied to organizations, events, products, or individuals. It gained prominence in 2005, notably through a BP media campaign.

## **Carbon Footprint**

- A carbon footprint represents the collective greenhouse gas emissions, both direct and indirect, associated with human activities.
- Typically, it's quantified in equivalent tons of carbon dioxide (CO2). This calculation typically covers a one-year timeframe.



## **Types Of Carbon Footprints**

#### Organisational

Include the emissions in making of a product (include only Direct emissions)

#### Value chain

Include the emission in making as well as transport of product (include only Direct emissions)

#### **Product**

Include the emission in procurement of raw materials, making and transport (include Direct and indirect emissions)



## Global Warming Potential (100 Years

Carbon dioxide (CO2)	
Methane (CH4)	21
Nitrous Oxide (N2o)	
Hydrofluorocarbons (HRCs)	5000
Perfluorocarbons (PFCs)	
Sulphur hexafluoride (SF6)	23900

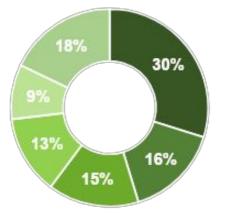


## **Carbon Equivalents**

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Gigatonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> Equivalent

Human Induced Greenhouse Gas Emissions



■Electricity Heat

■Livestock

Transport

■Manufacturing Contruction

Other Fuel Combustion

Other

Fuel	Unit	CO2 emitted per unit
Petrol	1 litter	2.3 kg
Gasoline	1 litter	2.3 kg
Diesel	1 litter	2.7 kg
Oil (heating)	1 litter	3.0 kg

If your car consumes 7.5 liter diesel per 100 km, then a Idrive of 300 km distance consumes  $3 \times 7.5 = 22.5$  liter – diesel, which adds  $22.5 \times 2.7$  kg = 60.75 kg CO2 to your personal carbon footprint.

## **Basic Calculation**



## Personal Carbon Footprint

Each of the following activities contributes 1 kg of CO2 to your personal carbon footprint:

- Travel by public transportation (train or bus) for a distance of 10 to 12 km (6.5 to 7 miles).
- Drive your car for a distance of 6 km or 3.75 miles (assuming 7.3 liters of petrol per 100 km or 39 mpg).
- Take a 2.2 km or 1.375-mile flight.
- Operate your computer for 32 hours (assuming a 60 Watt consumption).
- The production of 5 plastic bags.
- The production of 2 plastic bottles.
- The production of 1/3 of an American cheeseburger.



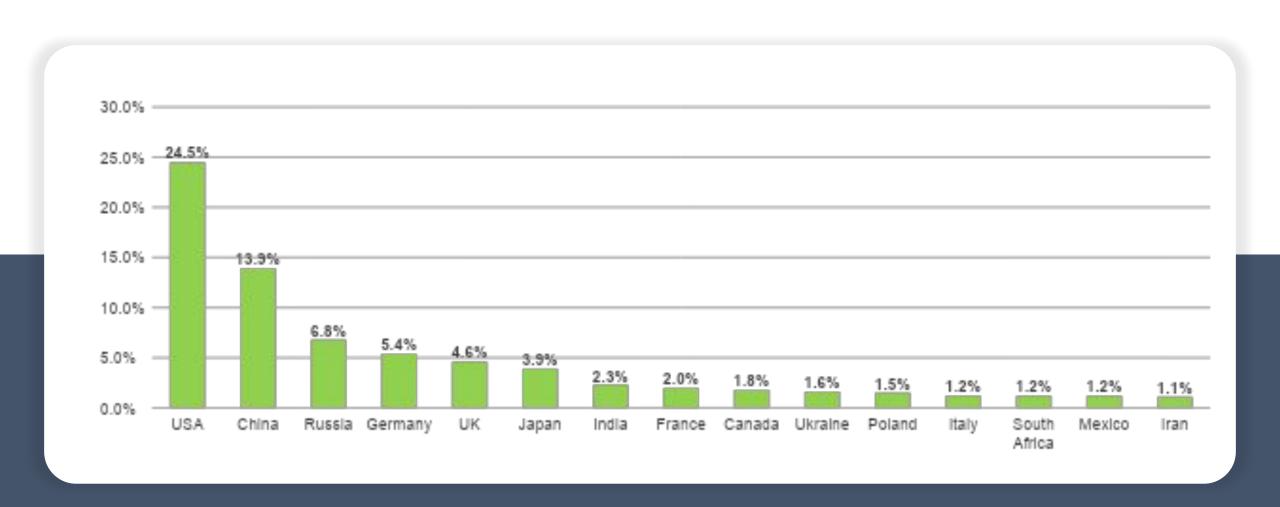
### What Is GHG?

Greenhouse gases are those that can absorb and emit infrared radiation. In order, the most abundant greenhouse gases in Earth's atmosphere are:

Gas	Formula	Contribution (%)
Water Vapour	H <sub>2</sub> O	36-72%
Carbon Dioxide	CO <sub>2</sub>	9-26%
Methane	CH <sub>4</sub>	4-9%
Ozone	O <sub>3</sub>	3-7%

## CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions Countries, 1750-2020

(from fossil fuels and cement



### **Main Effects**

#### **Climate Change**

Climate change is the result of substantial carbon footprints, caused by natural and human-generated greenhouse gases.

Between 1990-2005, CO2 emissions increased by 31%,
leading to a 35% rise in radiative warming by 2008. Large carbon footprints also deplete resources.

#### **Depletion of Resources**

Significant carbon footprints deplete resources on various scales, from deforestation on a national level to increased home air conditioning use. More significant footprints mean more greenhouse gases, intensifying climate change.





#### **Local Produce**

Support local farmers and reduce food miles.

#### **Organic Options**

Choose organic products with reduced chemical usage.

#### **Plant-Based Diets**

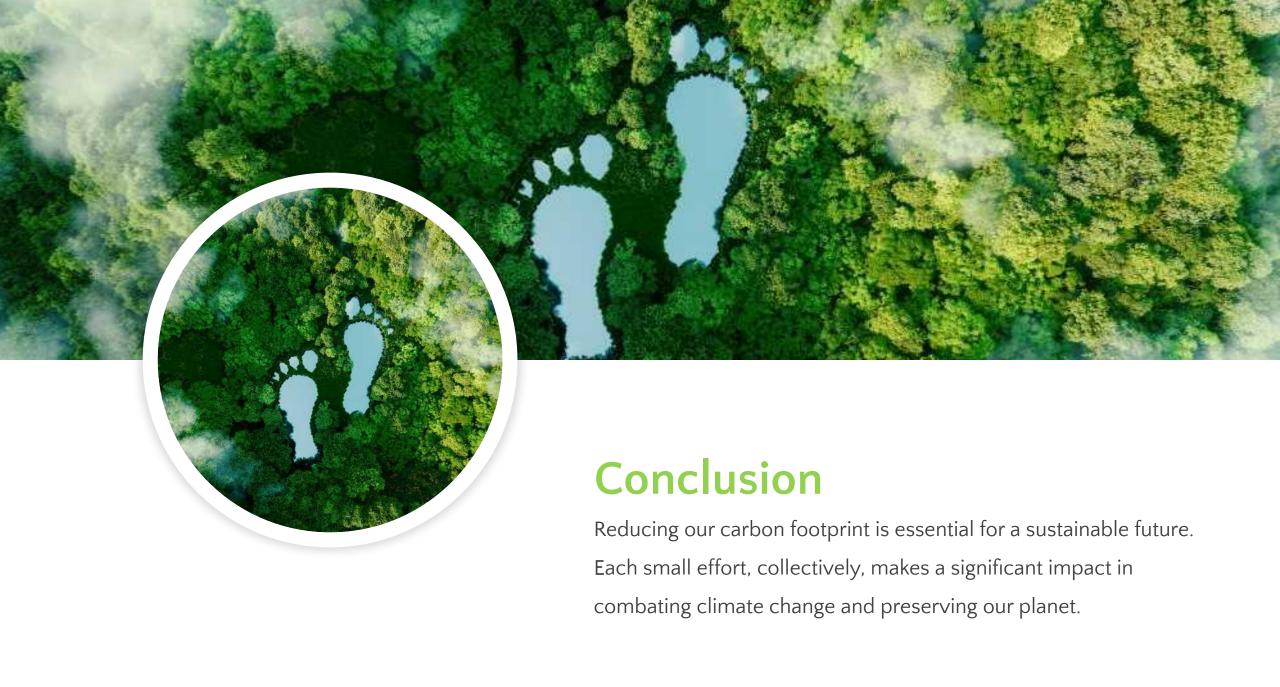
Opt for plant-based meals to reduce carbon emissions.

#### **Minimal Food Waste**

Avoid food waste to reduce landfill emissions.



## Sustainable Food Choices



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