

Introduction to the IPCC and its Task Force on National Greenhouse Gas Inventories (TFI)

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Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change

IPCC





The IPCC

- The IPCC is an intergovernmental body that:
 - provides scientific, technical and socio-economic advice
 - to the world community, and in particular to the 170-plus Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC).
 - ✤ It is open to all Members of UNEP and of WMO.



IPCC

- Established by WMO (World Meteorological Organization) and UNEP (United Nations Environment Programme) in 1988 to;
 - Make periodic assessments of the science, impacts and the socio-economic aspects of climate change and of adaptation and mitigation options to address it;
 - Assess, and develop as necessary, methodologies such as the IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories;
 - Provide, on request, scientific/technical /socio-economic advice to the Conference of the Parties to the United nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) and its bodies.





Why?

- Human induced climate change is starting to occur.
- The climate system is so vast and complex that much uncertainty remains.
- Climate change poses a serious challenge to policymakers.
- Policymakers cannot rely on popular interpretations of the evidence or on the views of an individual expert.
- They need an objective summary of all the available research.





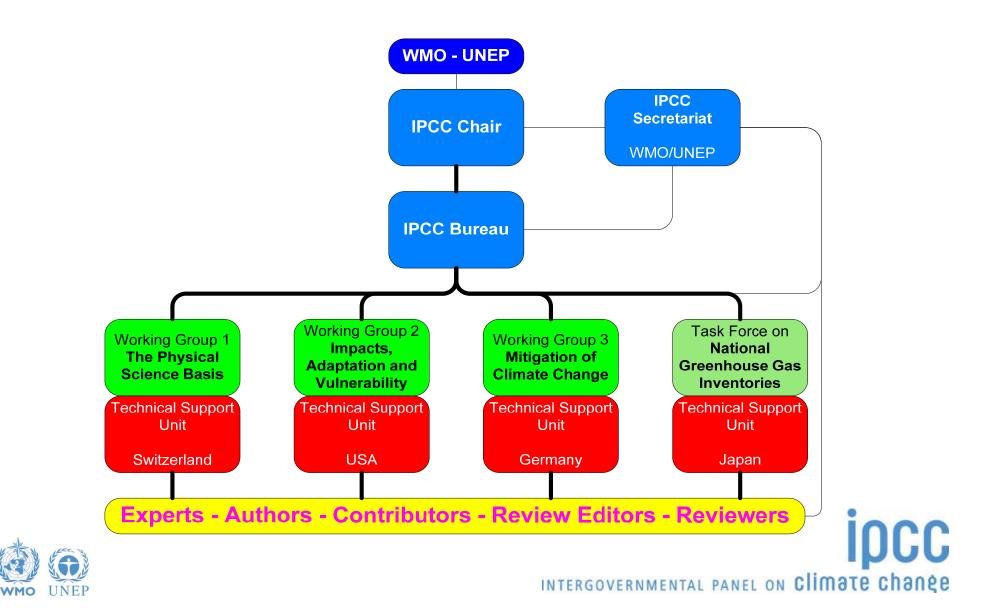
What

- The Panel does not conduct new research or monitor climate-related data.
- Its mandate is to assess, on a comprehensive, objective, open and transparent basis, the scientific, technical and socio-economic information on climate change that is available around the world in peer-reviewed literature, journals, books and, where appropriately documented, in industry literature and traditional practices.
- IPCC reports need to ensure a balanced reporting of viewpoints and be policy relevant but not policy-prescriptive or policy-driven.





IPCC – Organisation



TFI-TSU established in Japan



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IPCC - Review

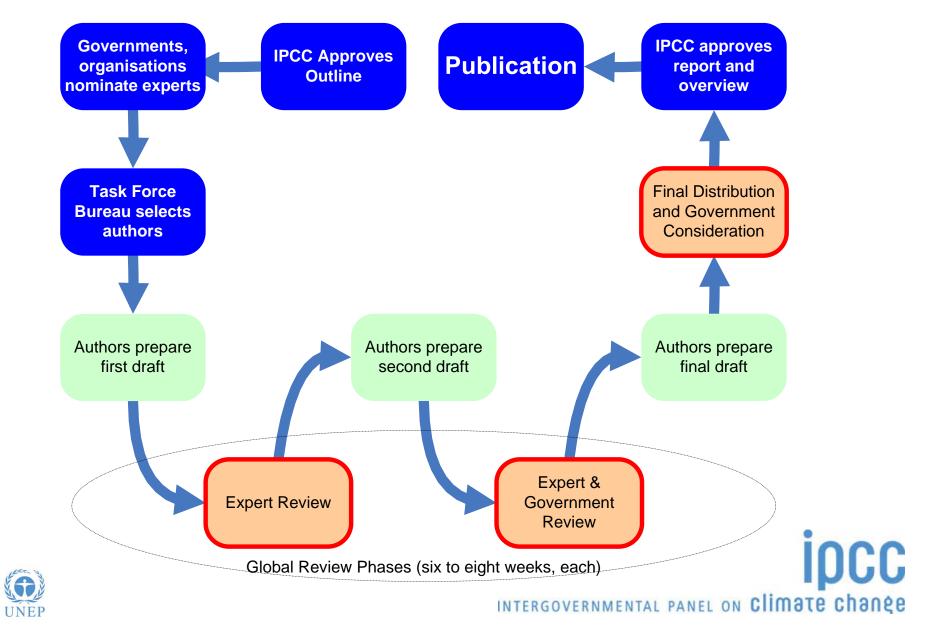
- Review process is fundamental to the quality and influence of the reports
- Authors have a wide range scientific, technical and socio-economic skills as well as a wide geographical representation
- Extensive review process involving many experts and governments leads to wide range of views represented in reports





IPCC Review

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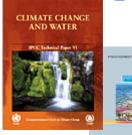
Non-TFI Products



- Special Reports
 - Aviation
 - Carbon Capture and Storage
- Technical Papers
 - Water

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- IPCC Fourth Assessment Report
 - WGI The Physical Science Basis
 - WGII Impacts, Adaptation & Vulnerability
 - WGIII Mitigation of Climate Change
 - Synthesis Report









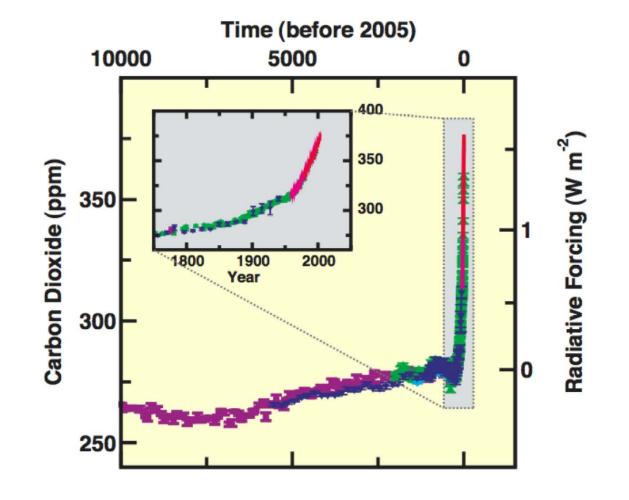




- Global atmospheric concentrations of carbon dioxide, methane and nitrous oxide have increased markedly as a result of human activities since 1750 and now far exceed pre-industrial values determined from ice cores spanning many thousands of years.
- The global increases in carbon dioxide concentration are due primarily to fossil fuel use and land-use change, while those of methane and nitrous oxide are primarily due to agriculture.





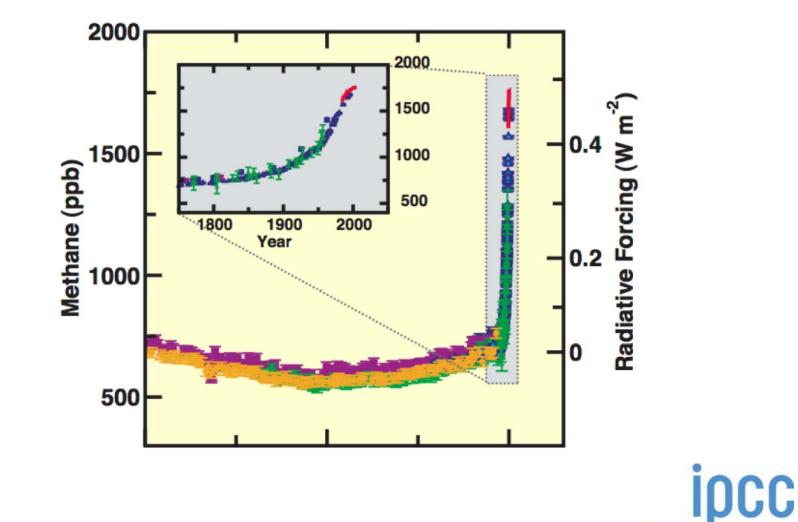




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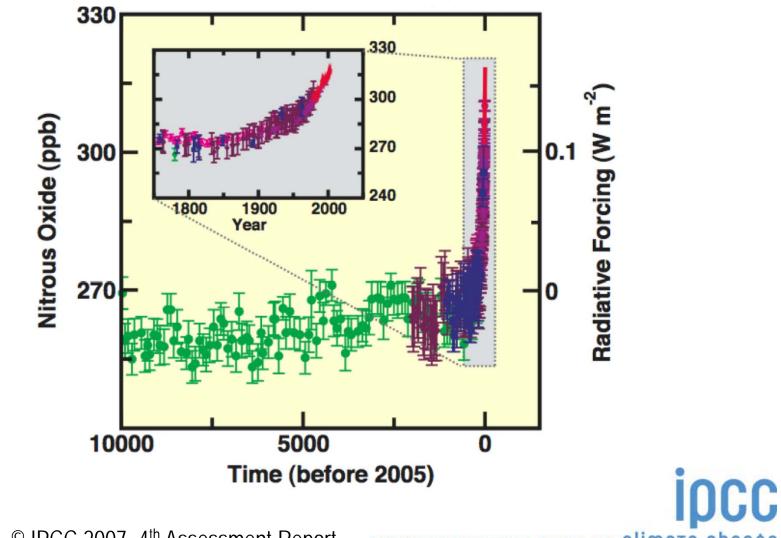
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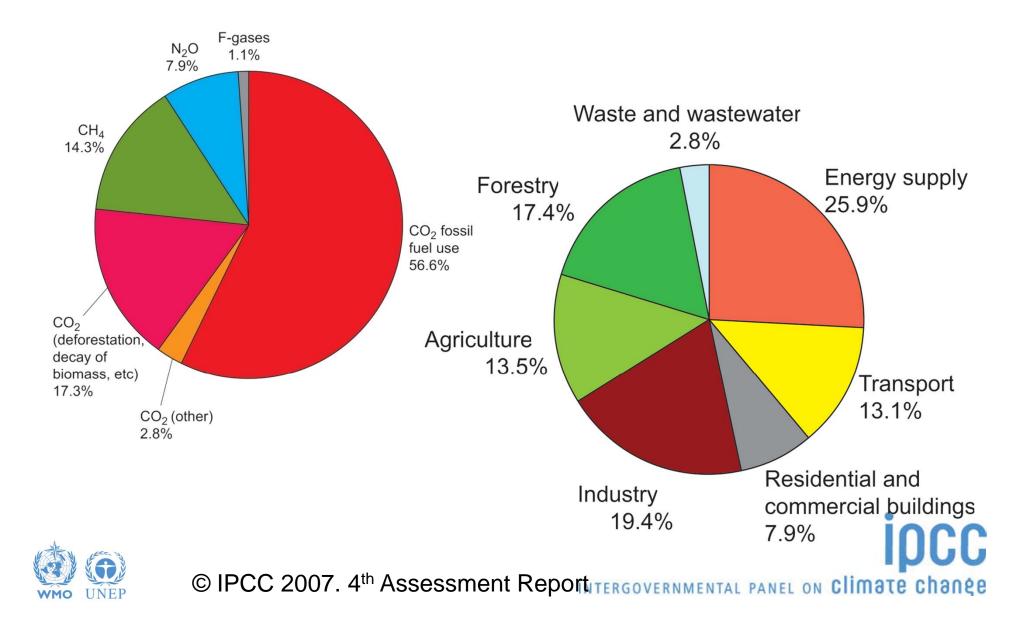


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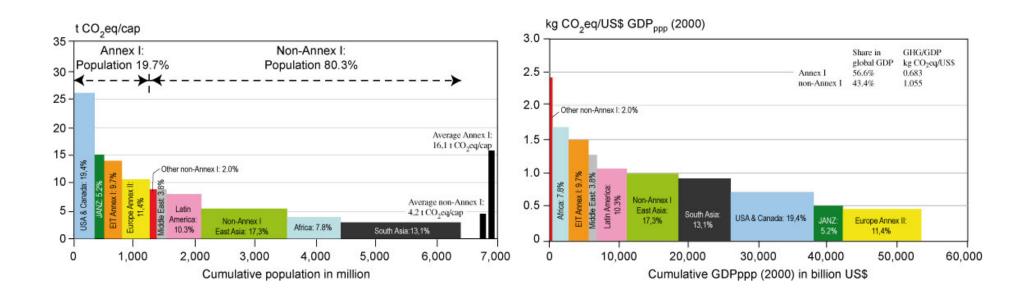
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2004 – Global Emissions



Global Emissions



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Task Force on National Greenhouse Gas Inventories

TFI





Task Force on National Greenhouse Gas Inventories - TFI

- IPCC/OECD/IEA GHG Inventories programme started 1991
- Since 1999 IPCC TFI (TSU at IGES/Japan)
- Objectives and activities
 - to develop and refine an internationally-agreed methodology and software for the calculation and reporting of national GHG emissions and removals;
 - to encourage the widespread use of this methodology by countries participating in the IPCC and by Parties of the United Nations Framework Convention on





Inventory Guidelines

- Guidelines give best practice methods
 - Virtually all sources covered
 - Alternative methods of different complexity and data needs may be provided with guidance on choice
- These have been developed aiming to be applicable in all countries (both methods and default data are provided)
 - Ensure best use is made of resources
 - Can be used with few resources, if necessary
- Have been extensively reviewed to ensure the widest applicability





IPCC Guidelines for National Greenh Inventories

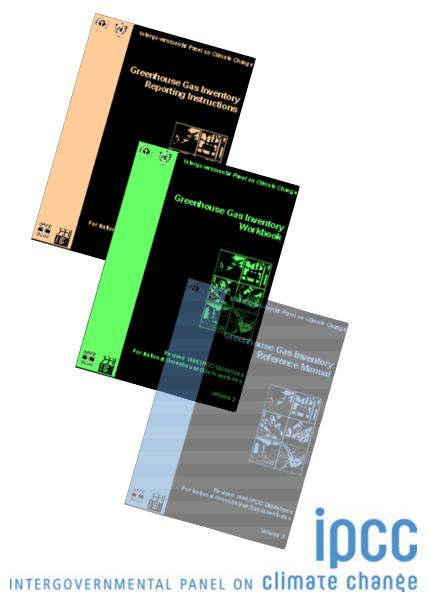
- 1995 Guidelines
- 1996 Revised IPCC Guidelines
- 2000 Good Practice Guidance and Uncertainty Management
- 2003 Good Practice Guidance for Land Use, Land-Use Change and Forestry
- 2006 IPCC Guidelines





Revised 1996 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories

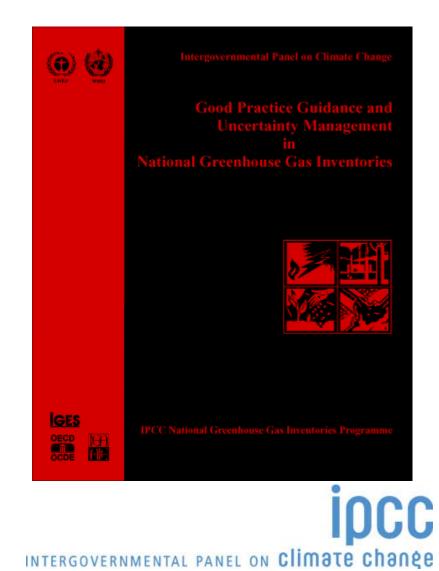
- Vol 1 Reporting Instructions
- Vol 2 Workbook and Software
- Vol 3 Reference Manual





Good Practice Guidance (1)

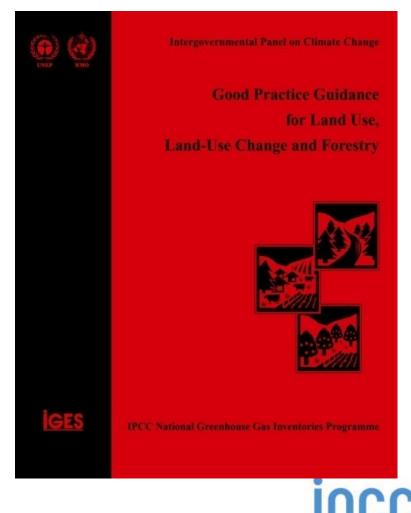
- Good Practice Guidance and Uncertainty Management in National Greenhouse Gas Inventories "GPG 2000"
- Complements 1996 Guidelines, pub 2000
- good practice guidance defined as: inventories that are neither over nor underestimates so far as can be judged, and in which uncertainties are reduced as far as practicable





Good Practice Guidance (2)

- Good Practice Guidance for Landuse, Landuse Change and Forests - "GPG LULUCF" - Published in 2003
- Extends Good Practice to LULUCF sectors
- Provides supplementary methods and good practice guidance for estimating, measuring, monitoring and reporting on carbon stock changes and greenhouse gas emissions from LULUCF activities under Article 3, paragraphs 3 and 4, and Articles 6 and 12 of the Kyoto Protocol





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2006 IPCC Guidelines

The 2006 IPCC Guidelines consists of 5 volumes based on cross-cutting issues and individual sectors:

Overview

- 1. General Guidance and Reporting
- 2. Energy
- 3. Industrial Processes and Product Use (IPPU)
- 4. Agriculture, Forestry and Other Land Use (AFOLU)
- 5. Waste







Emission Factor Database (EFDB)

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Welcome to EFDB!

All users are kindly invited to pay attention to this note. Guidance for users (as of 26 October 2002) can be downloaded (click here). The EFDB User Manual will be made available in due course.

- <u>Nature of EFDB</u>: EFDB is meant to be a recognised library, where users can find emission factors and other parameters with background documentation or technical references that can be used for estimating greenhouse gas emissions and removals. The responsibility of using this information appropriately will always remain with the users themselves.
- <u>Request for data input</u>: Users are encouraged to provide the EFDB with any relevant proposals on emission factors or other related parameters. If you wish to submit your data for the first time, please contact the <u>Technical Support</u> Unit to obtain your login name and password. Acceptance of such proposals will be subject to decisions by the EFDB Editorial Board using well-defined criteria.
- <u>Terminology</u>: EFDB is a database on various parameters to be used in calculation of anthropogenic emissions by sources and removals by sinks of greenhouse gases. It covers not only the so-called "emission factors" but also the other relevant parameters. For convenience sake, however, the term "Emission Factor" or its abbreviation "EF" is sometimes used to represent parameters in this database generally.

Http://www.ipcc-nggip.iges.or.jp/EFDB/main.php



IPCC Inventory Software

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The Future

- Software
 - New IPCC Inventory Software was released in May 2012, and an updated version with some bugs rectified was released in December 2012. The installer can be downloaded from:

http://www.ipcc-nggip.iges.or.jp/software/new.html

- EFDB
 - Continue improvement (e.g., more user-friendly interface) and Publicise
 - More actively search out data (e.g., data meetings, literature search)
- Response to request from UNFCCC production of two Methodology Reports
 - 2013 Supplement to the 2006 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories: Wetlands
 - 2013 Revised Supplementary Methods and Good Practice Guidance Arising from the Kyoto Protocol
- Awareness Raising
- Support to users of the guidelines



Summary

- The IPCC produces methodology reports on GHG Inventories as well as assessment reports on climate change.
- IPCC reports are based on the available literature and information sources and are extensively reviewed prior to acceptance.
- The latest IPCC Assessment report emphasises the significance of emissions of greenhouse gases
- The IPCC approach has evolved over time as experience and knowledge has grown
- IPCC methodologies are used for reporting to the UNFCCC
- The latest guidance, the 2006 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories represent the best available methods applicable globally for comparable and consistent inventories







Thank You

Any Questions?





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