



System of  
Environmental  
Economic  
Accounting

# Handbook Chapter 5: *Extended Environmental-Economic Accounts*

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# Outline

1. Background – Extended GVC-model based Environmental-Economic Accounts
  - > Drivers and policy perspective
  - > Conceptual framework
  - > Application of the framework
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# Drivers and policy perspective

# Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)



End  
Poverty



Sustainable  
Agriculture



Healthy  
Lives



Equitable  
Education



Gender  
Equality



Water



Energy



Sustainable  
Growth



Innovation &  
Infrastructure



Inequality



Sustainable  
Cities



SCP



Climate  
Change



Oceans



Ecosystems



Peace and  
Governance



Partnership

# Policy programmes feeding SDGs

**Sustainable consumption and production (SCP)**

*“the use of services and related products which respond to basic needs and bring a **better quality of life** while **minimizing the use of natural resources** and toxic materials as well as the emissions of waste and pollutants over the life-cycle so as not to jeopardize the needs of future generations*

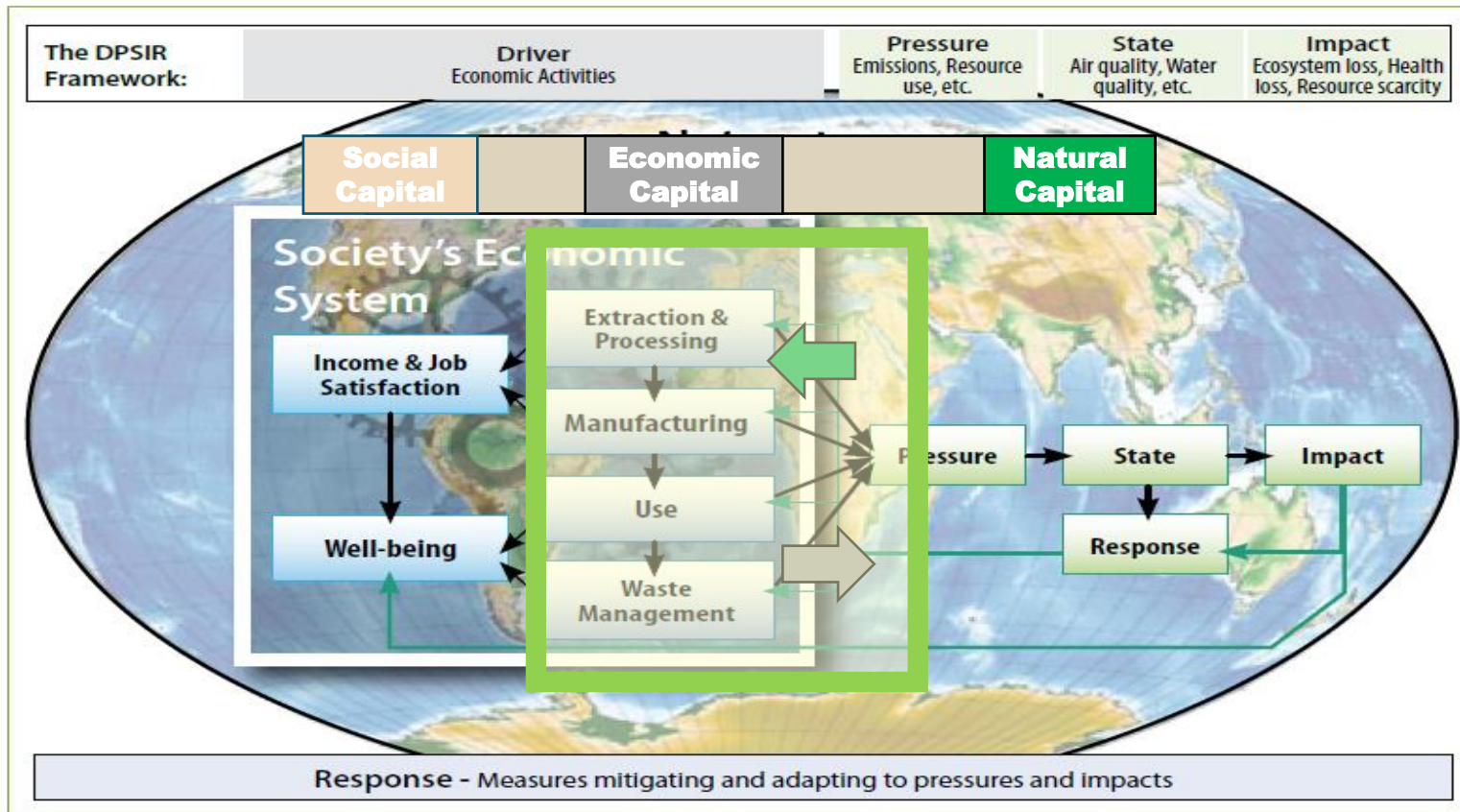
**Green economy**

*“one that results in **improved human well-being** and social equity, while significantly **reducing environmental risks and ecological scarcities**”*

**Resource efficiency**

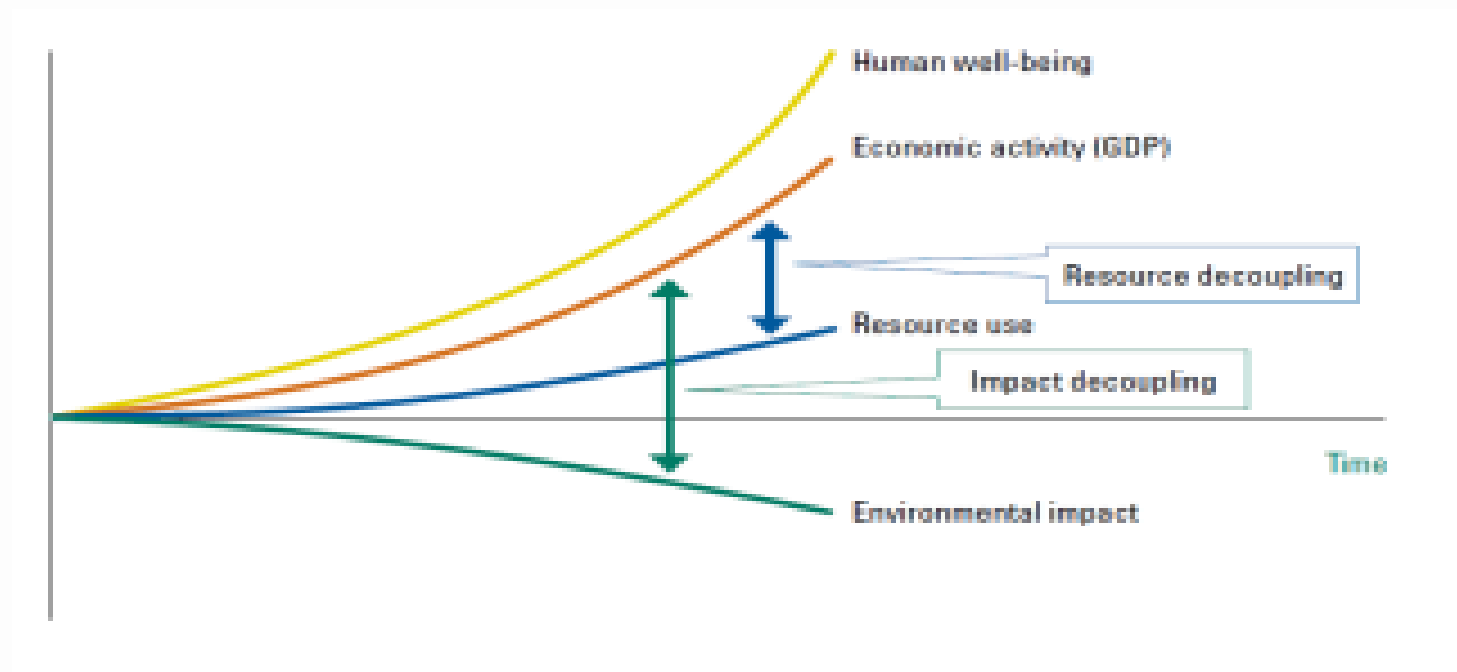
*using the Earth's limited resources in a sustainable manner while minimizing impacts on the environment. It allows us to create more with less and to **deliver greater value** with **less input***

# Driver and policy perspective

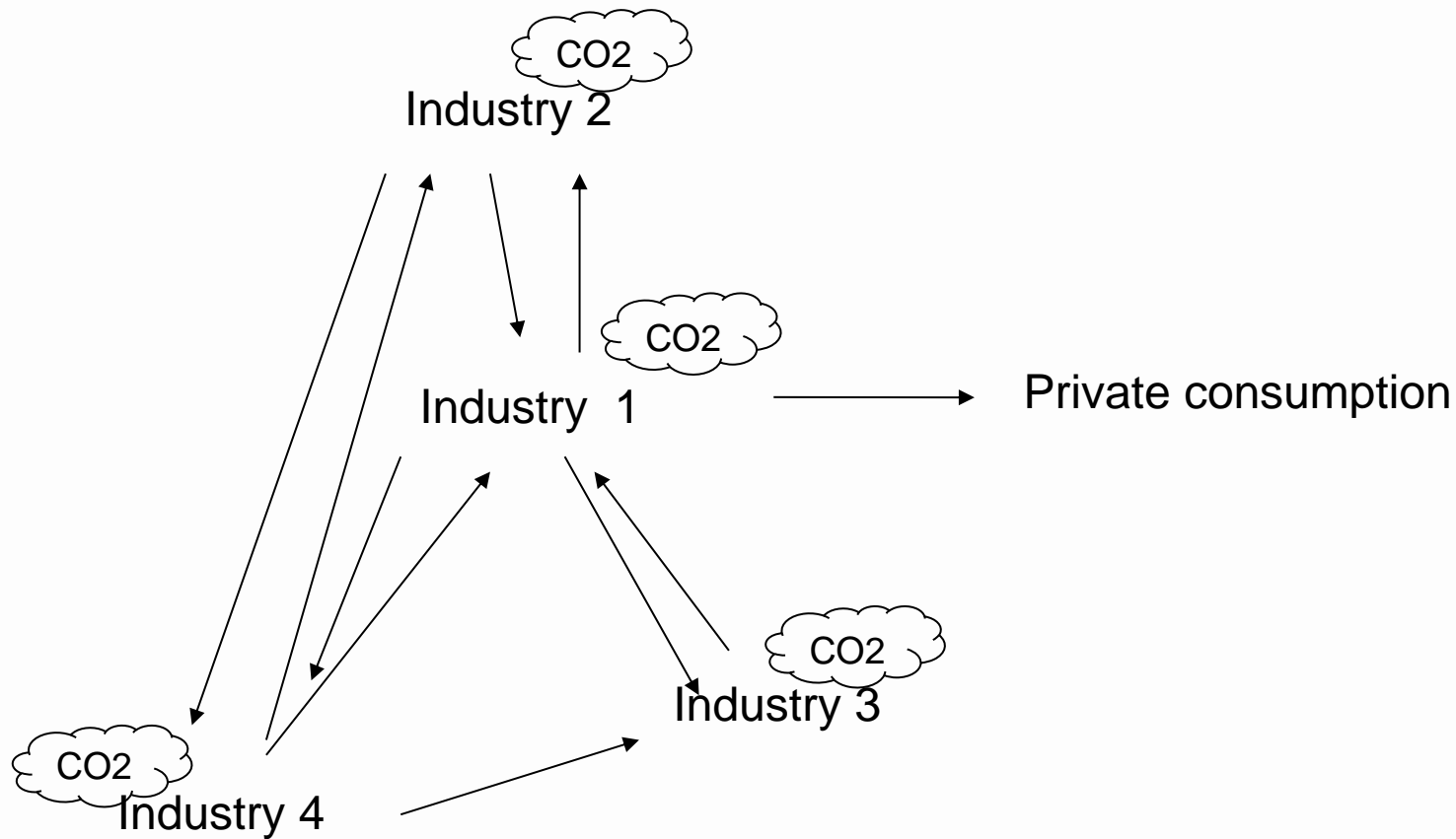


# Driver and policy perspective

- All aim at improved human well-being decoupled from resource use and emission
- This facilitates insight into the drivers of the environmental pressures and the indirect effects (footprints) of various economic activities

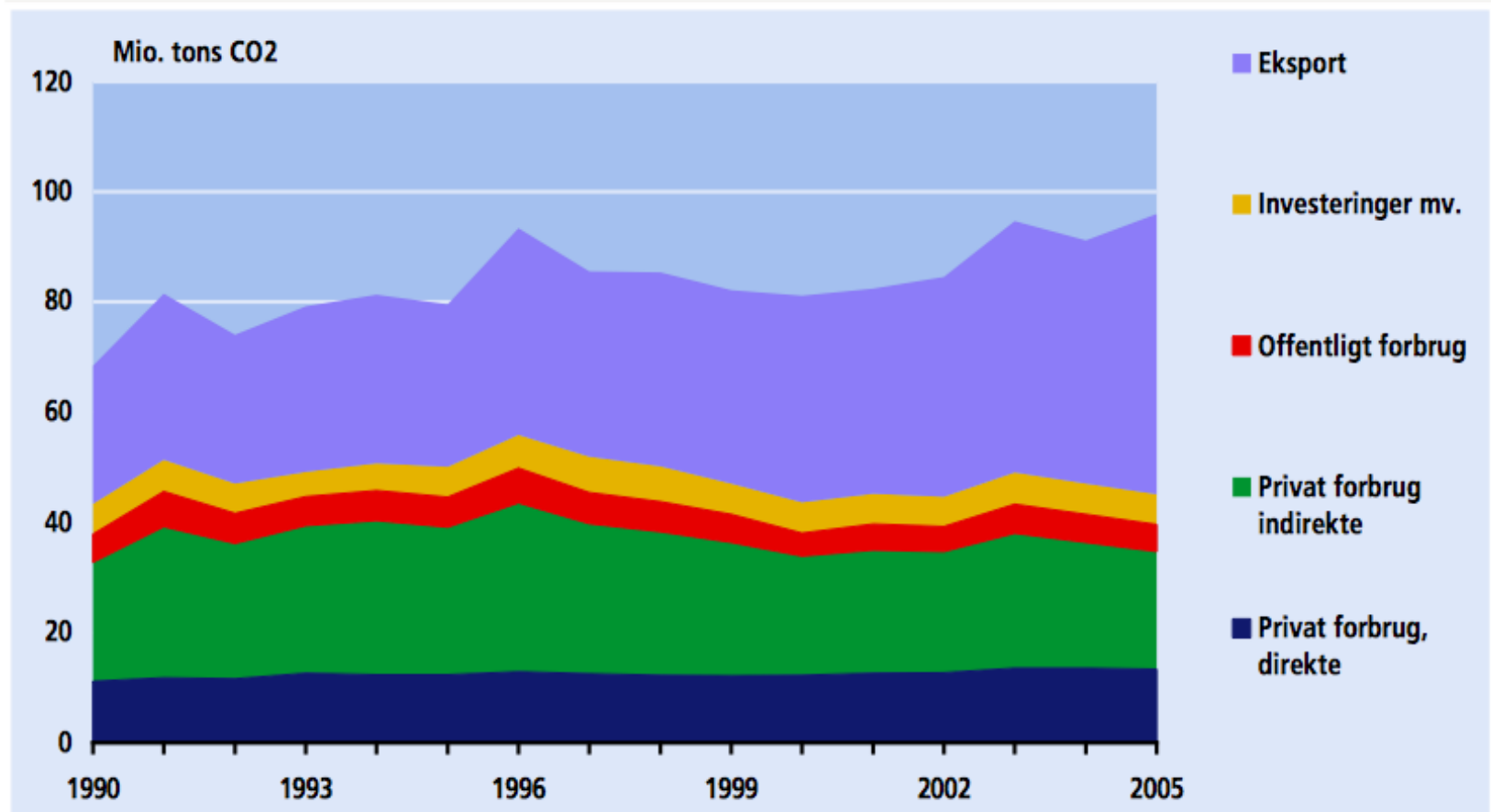


# Example: What are the air emissions throughout the economy resulting from private consumption, exports, etc.?





# Using the environmental-extended input-output modelling gives the answer:



DANISH CO2 EMISSION BY CAUSING ECONOMIC ACTIVITIES

# Conceptual framework

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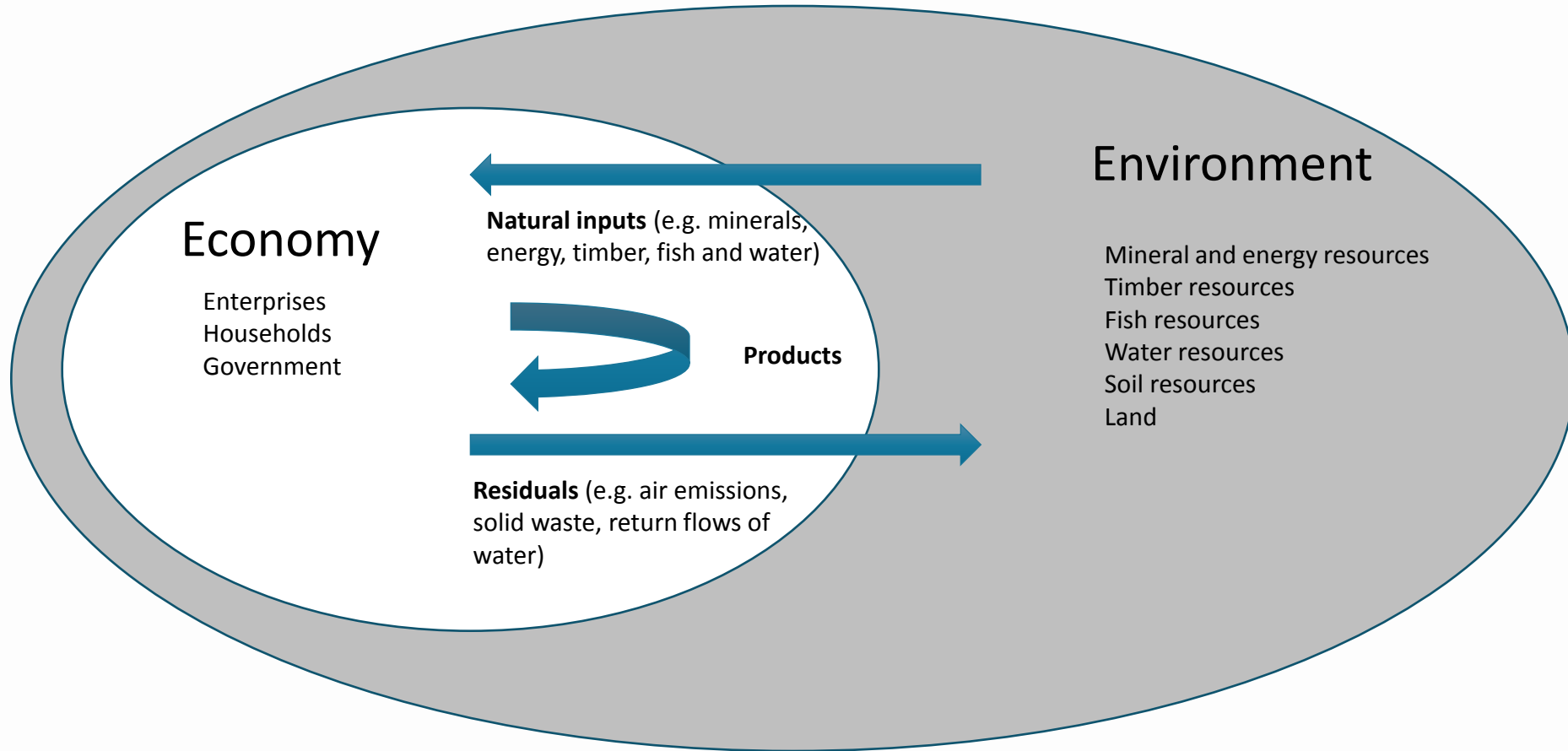
1. Physical supply and use table with environmental extension in the System of Environmental Economic Accounting (SEEA)
2. Environmental-extended input-output tables (EE-IOT)
  - Single region input-out tables with environmental extension
  - Multi-regional input-output tables with environmental extension

# The System of Environmental Economic Accounting (SEEA)

- An internationally agreed statistical framework to **measure the environment and its interactions with economy**
- The **SEEA Central Framework** was adopted as an **international statistical standard** by the UN Statistical Commission in 2012
- The **SEEA Experimental Ecosystem Accounts** complement the Central Framework and represent international efforts toward **coherent ecosystem accounting**



# Physical Flows in the SEEA



# Physical supply and use table with environmental extension

	Industries	Households	Accumulation	Rest of the world	Environment	Total
<b>Supply table</b>						
Natural inputs					Flows from the environment	Total supply of natural inputs
Products	Output			Imports		Total supply of products
Residuals	Residuals generated by industry	Residuals generated by final household consumption	Residuals from scrapping and demolition of produced assets			Total supply of residuals
<b>Use table</b>						
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Record

- Flows from the environment (natural input flows)
- Flows to the environment (residual flows)

## Columns: Industries and households

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Record

- Use of natural inputs, the production and intermediate consumption of products,
- Generation of residuals by all enterprise and households in the economy



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Record:

- reductions in the physical stock of produced assets through scrapping and demolition
- Emissions from controlled landfill sites
- Gross capital formation
- Accumulation of materials in controlled landfill sites

## Column: Rest of the world

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Record:

- Imports and exports of products and flows of residuals
- Exclude transboundary flows (e.g. polluted water flowing into other country) – they are considered flows within the environment.

# Environmental extended input output tables (EE-IOT)

- Integrated datasets that combine information from standard monetary input-output table (IOT) and information on environmental flows
  
- Compilation of the EE-IOT consists of two parts
  - i. Standard input output table in monetary terms
  - ii. Environmental data by industries taken from the physical supply and use table.
  - iii. Import/export trade matrices (for MRIO)

# A single region EE-IOT

	Industries	Sub-total	Final demand				Total demand (basic prices)
			Final consumption		Gross capital formation	Exports, free on board price	
Industries	Industry by industry transactions in basic prices		By households, non-profit institutions serving households (NPISH), Government		Gross fixed capital formation and changes in inventories	Intra- and extra EU	
Subtotal (1)	Total intermediate consumption by industry		Total final demand by type				Total demand
Tax less subsidies (2)	Net tax on production						
Total (1)+(2)	Total intermediate consumption in purchasers' prices						
Compensation of employees Other net taxes on production Consumption of fixed capital Operating surplus, net	Components of value added by industry						
Subtotal (3)	Value added						
Total (1)(2)(3)	Output by industry at basic prices						
Imports	Imports (cost, insurance and freight price)						
Total supply	Supply in basic prices						

Natural input (e.g. natural resources: land, fossil fuels, minerals, etc.)	Resource use per type and industry		Resource use per consumption activity					Total
Residual (e.g. emission) 	Emission per type and industry		Emission, per consumption activity					Total

# A single region EE-IOT

- standard IOT in monetary terms

<b>Data in monetary terms</b>								
		Industries		Final demand			Total output	
		1	...	$j$	Final consumption	Gross capital formation	Exports	
Industries	1							
	...		$Z$		$C$	$f$	$e$	$q+m$
	$j$							
Value added			$v$					
Total inputs			$q$		$c_{tot}$	$f_{tot}$	$e_{tot}$	

<b>Data in physical (non-monetary) terms</b>								
Natural inputs / residuals			$r$					$r_{tot}$

- Environmental information from PSUTs

# A single region input-output table with environmental data

- From the IOT and the environmental intensity obtained from the PSUTs, information on the environmental flow corresponding to a certain final use can be estimated

Example: Water consumption by industries by final demand that caused them – Denmark 2015

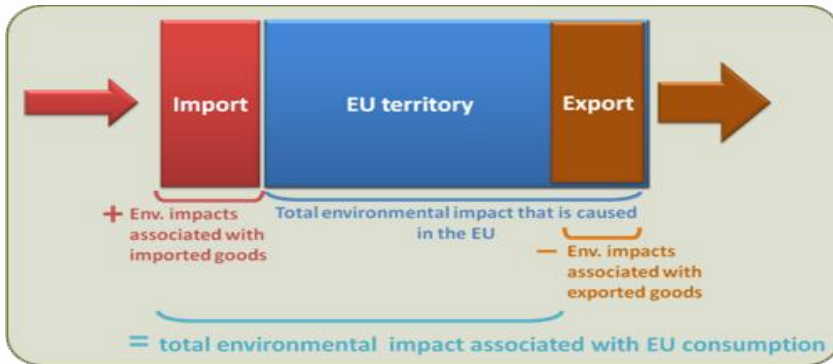
<b>Water consumption by industries 2005.</b>						
	Total	Private consumptio	Government consumptio	Investment, buildings	Investment others	Export
<b>Agriculture</b>	<b>160.368</b>	<b>33.345</b>	<b>1.863</b>	<b>231</b>	<b>-137</b>	<b>122.165</b>
<b>Horticulture, orchards etc.</b>	<b>7.926</b>	<b>3.217</b>	<b>240</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>4.272</b>
<b>Agricultural services; lands</b>	<b>912</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>284</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>345</b>
<b>Forestry</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>26</b>
<b>Fishing</b>	<b>38.776</b>	<b>2.132</b>	<b>312</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>36.227</b>
<b>Extr. of crude petroleum, r</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Extr. of gravel, clay, stone a</b>	<b>3.254</b>	<b>590</b>	<b>313</b>	<b>842</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>1.373</b>
<b>Production etc. of meat an</b>	<b>36.292</b>	<b>10.012</b>	<b>609</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>25.153</b>
<b>Processing etc. of fish and f</b>	<b>8.071</b>	<b>1.582</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>6.328</b>
<b>Processing etc. of fruit and</b>	<b>4.355</b>	<b>356</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>3.939</b>
<b>Mfr. of vegetable and anim</b>	<b>1.169</b>	<b>516</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>601</b>

# A multi-regional input-output table (2 countries) with environmental data

		Country A	Country B	Country A		Country B		Output
		Industries	Industries	Final demand		Final demand		
				Final consumption	Gross capital formation	Final consumption	Gross capital formation	
Country A	Industries	$Z_{AA}$	$Z_{AB}$	$c_{AA}$	$f_{AA}$	$c_{AB}$	$f_{AB}$	$q_A$
Country B	Industries	$Z_{BA}$	$Z_{BB}$	$c_{BA}$	$f_{BA}$	$c_{BB}$	$f_{BB}$	$q_B$
	Value added	$v_A$	$v_B$					
	Total input	$q_A$	$q_B$					
	Natural inputs/residuals	$r_A$	$r_B$					

# Detailed multi-regional EE-IOT

- Global SUT/IOT linked via trade
  - Country SUT/IOT (red)
  - Import/export trade matrices (green)
  - Environmental physical flows such as emissions, energy, materials, land, water (grey)
- One consistent dataset for territorial and consumption based assessments

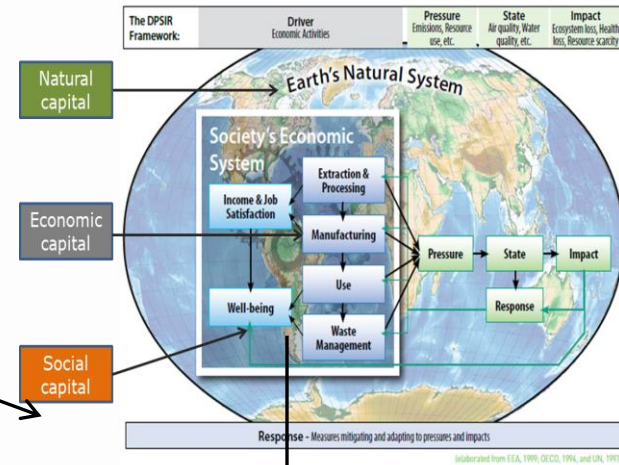


		Industries				$Y_{*,A}$	$Y_{*,B}$	$Y_{*,C}$	$Y_{*,D}$	$q$
Products		$Z_{A,A}$	$Z_{A,B}$	$Z_{A,C}$	$Z_{A,D}$	$Y_{A,A}$	$Y_{A,B}$	$Y_{A,C}$	$Y_{A,D}$	$q_A$
		$Z_{B,A}$	$Z_{B,B}$	$Z_{B,C}$	$Z_{B,D}$	$Y_{B,A}$	$Y_{B,B}$	$Y_{B,C}$	$Y_{B,D}$	$q_B$
		$Z_{C,A}$	$Z_{C,B}$	$Z_{C,C}$	$Z_{C,D}$	$Y_{C,A}$	$Y_{C,B}$	$Y_{C,C}$	$Y_{C,D}$	$q_C$
		$Z_{D,A}$	$Z_{D,B}$	$Z_{D,C}$	$Z_{D,D}$	$Y_{D,A}$	$Y_{D,B}$	$Y_{D,C}$	$Y_{D,D}$	$q_D$
W		$W_A$	$W_B$	$W_C$	$W_D$					
g		$g_A$	$g_B$	$g_C$	$g_D$					
C & L		Capital <sub>A</sub>	C <sub>B</sub>	C <sub>C</sub>	C <sub>D</sub>					
		Labor <sub>A</sub>	L <sub>B</sub>	L <sub>C</sub>	L <sub>D</sub>					
Environ Ext		NAMEA <sub>A</sub>	NAMEA <sub>B</sub>	NAMEA <sub>C</sub>	NAMEA <sub>D</sub>					
		Agric <sub>A</sub>	Agric <sub>B</sub>	Agric <sub>C</sub>	Agric <sub>D</sub>					
		Energy <sub>A</sub>	Energy <sub>B</sub>	Energy <sub>C</sub>	Energy <sub>D</sub>					
		Metal <sub>A</sub>	Metal <sub>B</sub>	Metal <sub>C</sub>	Metal <sub>D</sub>					
		Mineral <sub>A</sub>	Mineral <sub>B</sub>	Mineral <sub>C</sub>	Mineral <sub>D</sub>					
		Land <sub>A</sub>	Land <sub>B</sub>	Land <sub>C</sub>	Land <sub>D</sub>					



# Suggested data organisation

1. Measure environmental state & relevant thresholds
2. Measure responses
3. Get detailed stock-flow data of the economic system and its environmental flow in an EE IO format following SEEA – which includes
4. Gives one related dataset allowing for calculating pressures and impacts, from a consumption and territorial perspective



		Industries				$Y_{*,A}$	$Y_{*,B}$	$Y_{*,C}$	$Y_{*,D}$	$q$
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# Applications

# Extended analysis

- Multiplier analysis
- Attribution of environmental pressures to final demand
  - Footprint calculations
  - Production verse consumption perspective
  - Global shifts in environmental pressures
- Resource use and environmental efficiency indicators
- Decoupling analysis

## Example: CO<sub>2</sub> embodied in Danish exports and imports

	CO <sub>2</sub> balance for Danish foreign trade
	1000 tonnes CO <sub>2</sub>
Emissions embodied in exports	20,368
Emissions embodied in imports	26,795
Surplus on CO <sub>2</sub> balance	-6,427

Diagram 3: CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and embodied CO<sub>2</sub> in Germany 2007

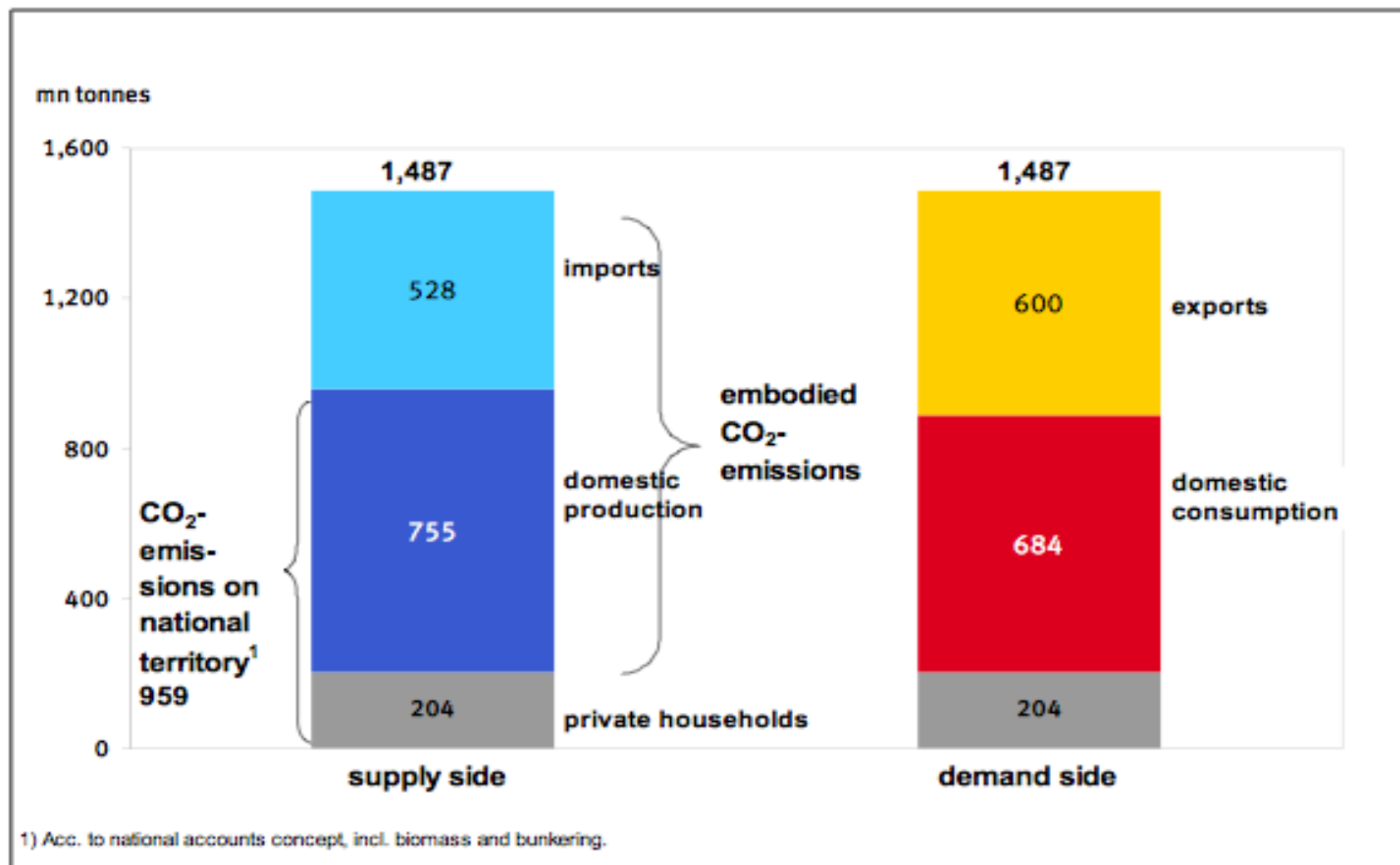


Diagram 8: CO<sub>2</sub> emissions of exports by type of goods 2007 (percentage)

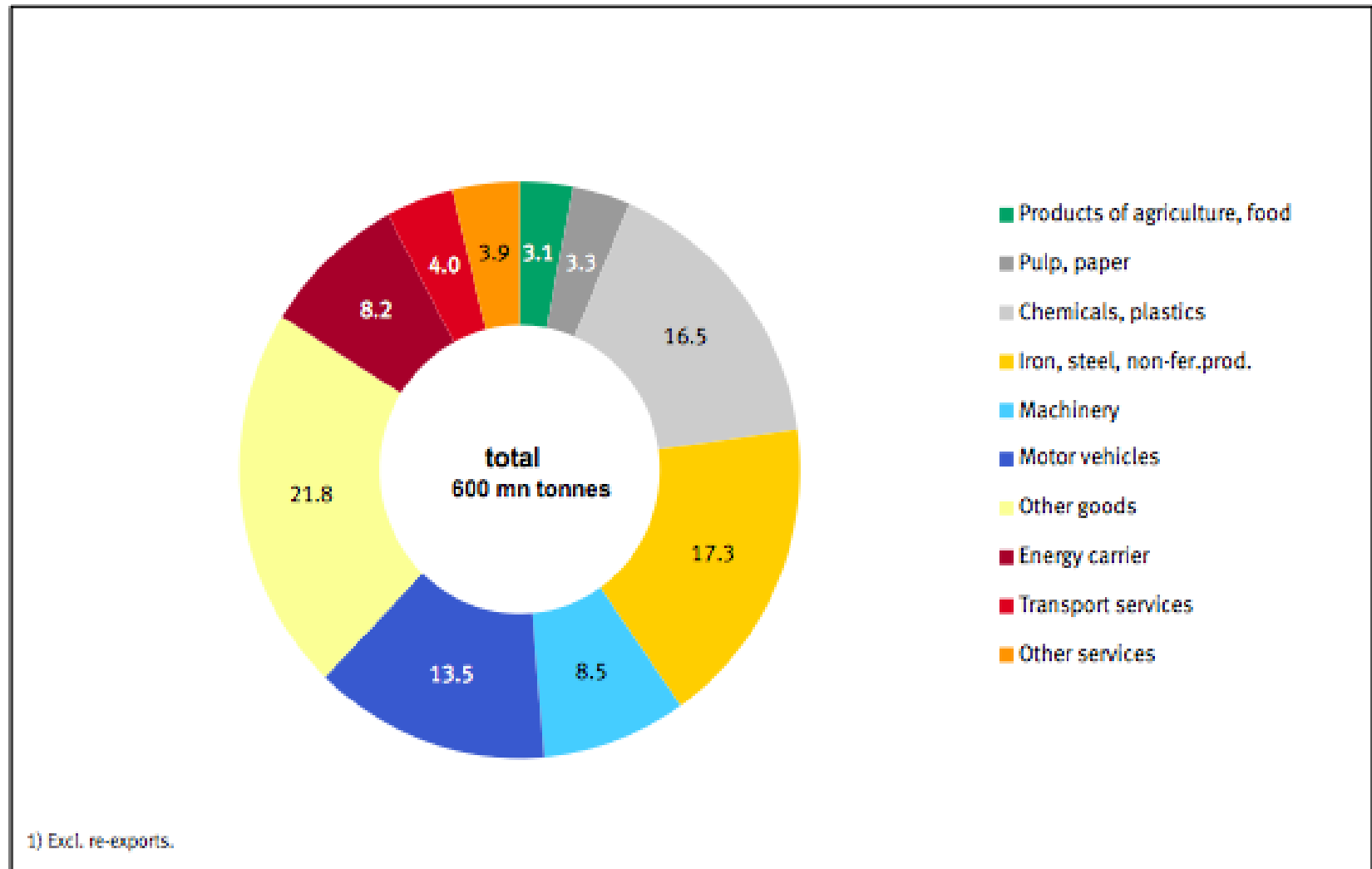
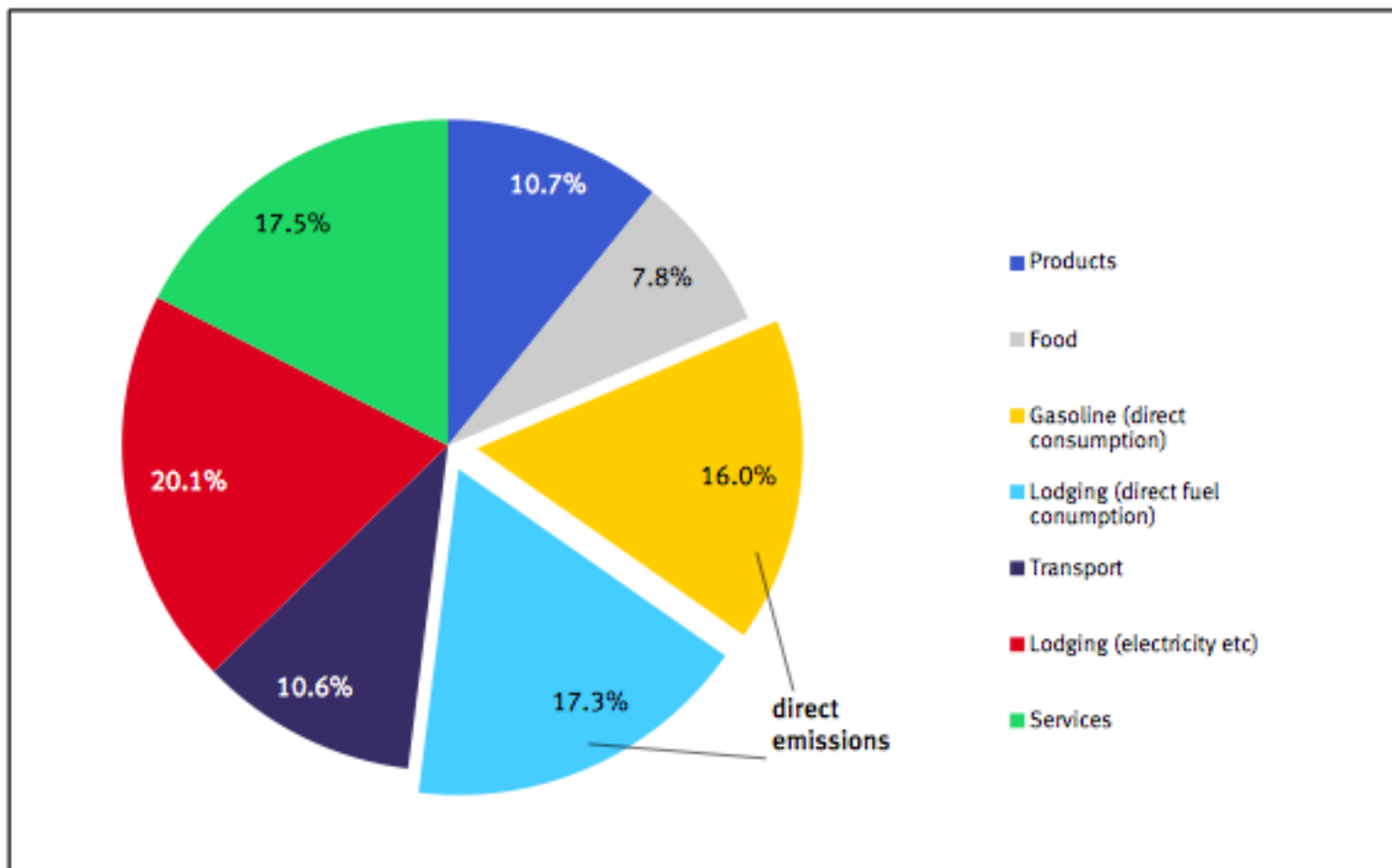
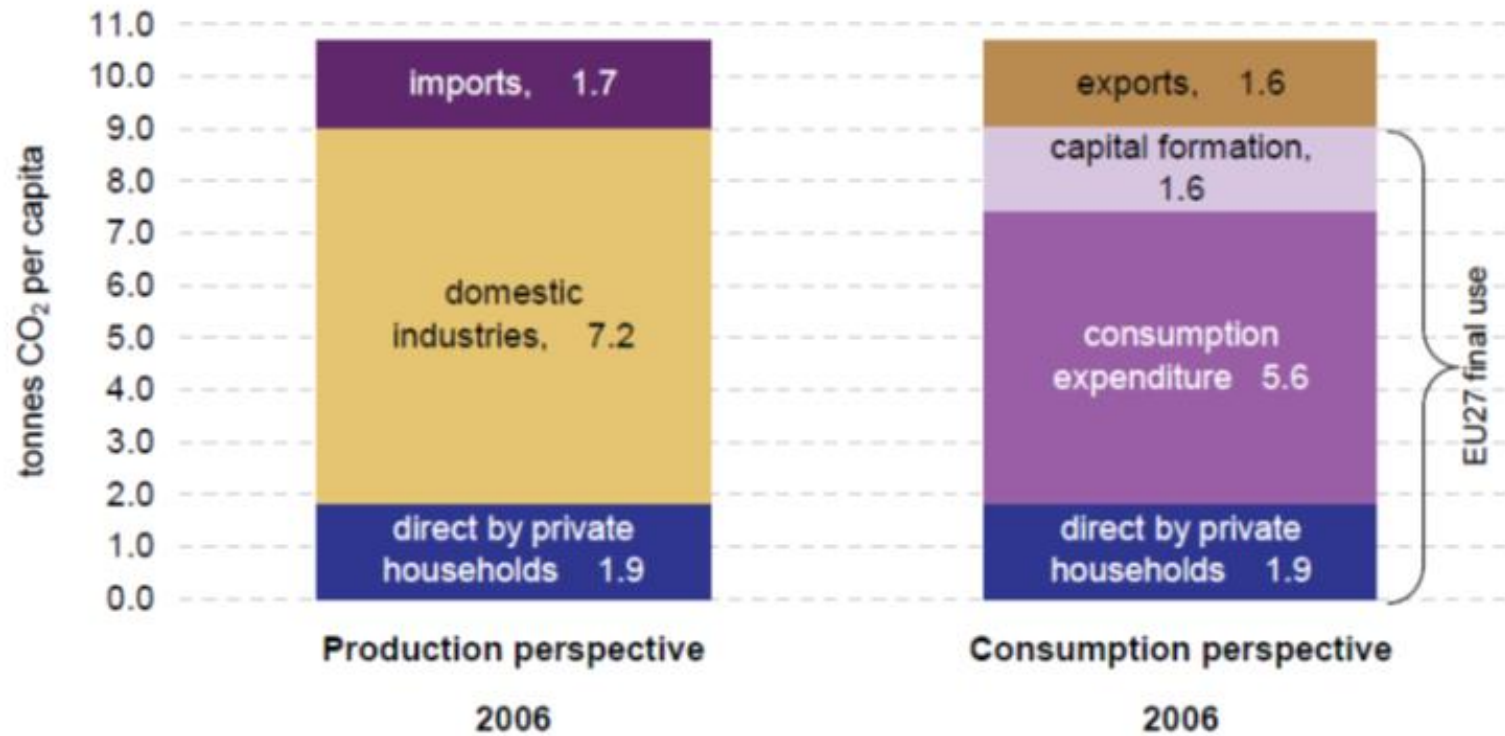


Diagram 10: CO<sub>2</sub> emissions of private households and embodied CO<sub>2</sub> of consumer goods 2007 (percentage)



# Example : Carbon emissions in Europe





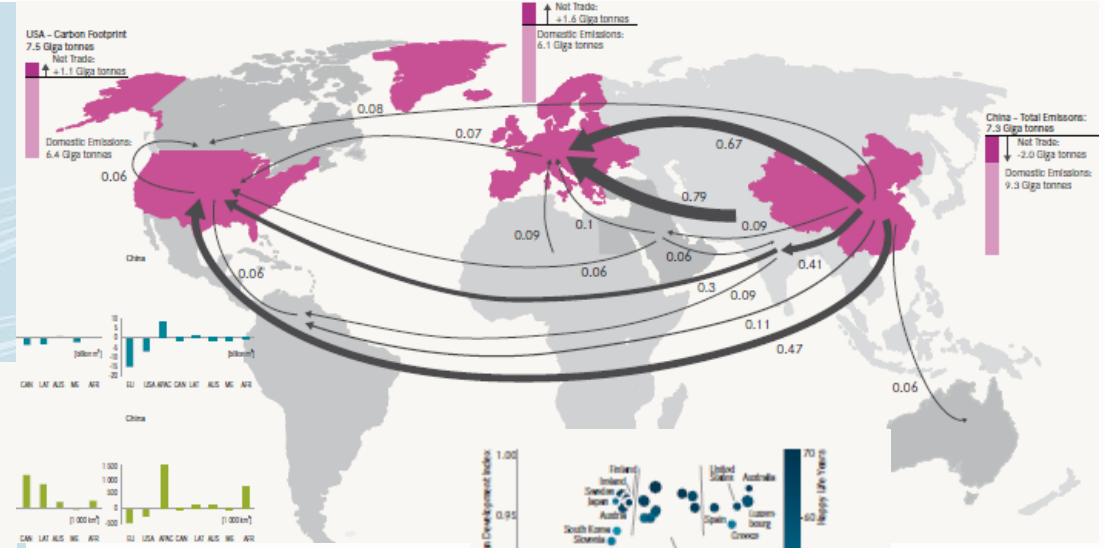
# Example: footprint analysis

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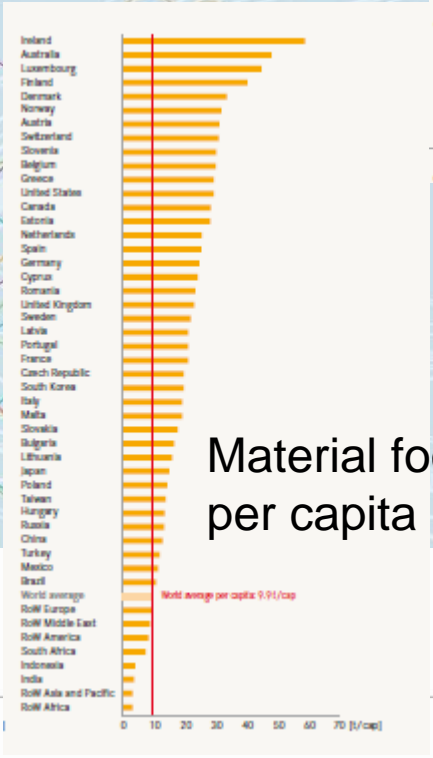
## The Global Resource Footprint of Nations

Carbon, water, land and materials embodied in trade and final consumption

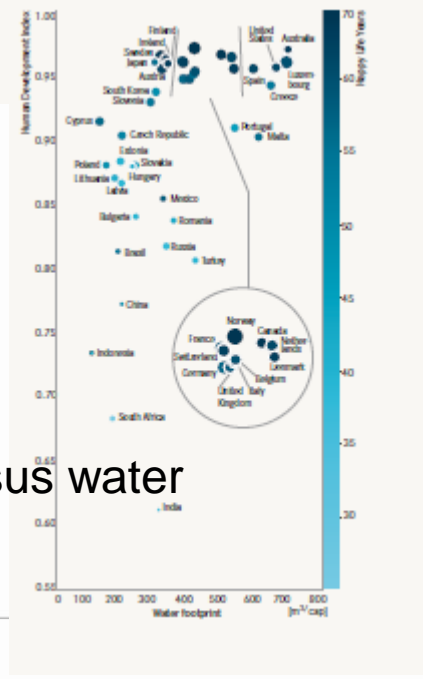
## Carbon embodied in trade



## Material footprint per capita



## HDI versus water footprint



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## 1. Drivers and policy perspective

- The drivers for the environmentally extended IO and SUT tables of the national environmental-economic account (EEA)
- Global multi-regional environmental-extended IO and SUT, including the need for a global value chain approach

## 2. Conceptual framework

- The framework of the national EEA
- the framework of the GVC industry specific EEA
- the framework of multi-regional environmental-extended IO and SUT

## 3. The applications

- Describing the types of extended analyses offered by the national and global environmental-economic accounting framework by including the environmentally related extensions.

# Discussion questions

1. Currently the scope of this chapter will focus on the conceptual framework. Should the following topic be covered in the chapter?
  - Institutional arrangement
  - Data source
  - Compilation issue
  - Policy applications
  - Others?
2. An unavoidable consequence of the production of multi-regional environmental-extended IO table is that it will not be consistent to the single regional environmental-extended IO table produced by the national statistical offices due to the following issues
  - Single regional environmental-extended IO table only use data from that country
  - Balancing – in multi-regional environmental-extended IO table needs to be struck on a global scale, not on national scale
  - Conflicting data sources
  - Existence of trade asymmetries

What is the recommended approach in dealing with these issues?

**THANK YOU**

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