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3 MOBILE COMBUSTION

3.1 OVERVIEW

Mobile sources produce direct greenhouse gas emissions of carbon dioxide (CO₂), methane (CH₄) and nitrous oxide (N₂O) from the combustion of various fuel types, as well as several other pollutants such as carbon monoxide (CO), Non-methane Volatile Organic Compounds (NMVOCs), sulphur dioxide (SO₂), particulate matter (PM) and oxides of nitrate (NO_x), which cause or contribute to local or regional air pollution. This chapter covers *good practice* in the development of estimates for the direct greenhouse gases CO₂, CH₄, and N₂O. For indirect greenhouse gases and precursor substances CO, NMVOCs, SO₂, PM, and NO_x, please refer to Volume 1 Chapter 7. This chapter does not address non-energy emissions from mobile air conditioning, which is covered by the IPPU Volume (Volume 3, Chapter 7).

Greenhouse gas emissions from mobile combustion are most easily estimated by major transport activity, i.e., road, off-road, air, railways, and water-borne navigation. The source description (Table 3.1.1) shows the diversity of mobile sources and the range of characteristics that affect emission factors. Recent work has updated and strengthened the data. Despite these advances more work is needed to fill in many gaps in knowledge of emissions from certain vehicle types and on the effects of ageing on catalytic control of road vehicle emissions. Equally, the information on the appropriate emission factors for road transport in developing countries may need further strengthening, where age of fleet, maintenance, fuel sulphur content, and patterns of use are different from those in industrialised countries.

TABLE 3.1.1
DETAILED SECTOR SPLIT FOR THE TRANSPORT SECTOR

Code and Name		Explanation	
1 A 3	<i>TRANSPORT</i>	Emissions from the combustion and evaporation of fuel for all transport activity (excluding military transport), regardless of the sector, specified by sub-categories below. Emissions from fuel sold to any air or marine vessel engaged in international transport (1 A 3 a i and 1 A 3 d i) should as far as possible be excluded from the totals and subtotals in this category and should be reported separately.	
1 A 3	a	Civil Aviation	
1 A 3	a	i	<i>International Aviation (International Bunkers)</i>
1 A 3	a	ii	<i>Domestic Aviation</i>
1 A 3	b	Road Transportation	
1 A 3	b	i	<i>Cars</i>
1 A 3	b	i	1 Passenger cars with 3-way catalysts
1 A 3	b	i	2 Passenger cars without 3-way catalysts

TABLE 3.1.1(CONTINUED)
DETAILED SECTOR SPLIT FOR THE TRANSPORT SECTOR

Code and Name				Explanation	
1 A 3	b	ii	<i>Light duty trucks</i>	Emissions from vehicles so designated in the vehicle registering country primarily for transportation of light-weight cargo or which are equipped with special features such as four-wheel drive for off-road operation. The gross vehicle weight normally ranges up to 3500-3900 kg or less.	
1 A 3	b	ii	1	<i>Light duty trucks with 3-way catalysts</i>	Emissions from light duty trucks with 3-way catalysts.
1 A 3	b	ii	2	<i>Light duty trucks without 3-way catalysts</i>	Emissions from light duty trucks without 3-way catalysts.
1 A 3	b	iii		<i>Heavy duty trucks and buses</i>	Emissions from any vehicles so designated in the vehicle registering country. Normally the gross vehicle weight ranges from 3500-3900 kg or more for heavy duty trucks and the buses are rated to carry more than 12 persons.
1 A 3	b	iv		<i>Motorcycles</i>	Emissions from any motor vehicle designed to travel with not more than three wheels in contact with the ground and weighing less than 680 kg.
1 A 3	b	v		<i>Evaporative emissions from vehicles</i>	Evaporative emissions from vehicles (e.g. hot soak, running losses) are included here. Emissions from loading fuel into vehicles are excluded.
1 A 3	b	vi		<i>Urea-based catalysts</i>	CO ₂ emissions from use of urea-based additives in catalytic converters (non-combustive emissions)
1 A 3	c			Railways	Emissions from railway transport for both freight and passenger traffic routes.
1 A 3	d			Water-borne Navigation	Emissions from fuels used to propel water-borne vessels, including hovercraft and hydrofoils, but excluding fishing vessels. The international/domestic split should be determined on the basis of port of departure and port of arrival, and not by the flag or nationality of the ship.
1 A 3	d	i		<i>International water-borne navigation (International bunkers)</i>	Emissions from fuels used by vessels of all flags that are engaged in international water-borne navigation. The international navigation may take place at sea, on inland lakes and waterways and in coastal waters. Includes emissions from journeys that depart in one country and arrive in a different country. Exclude consumption by fishing vessels (see Other Sector - Fishing). Emissions from international military water-borne navigation can be included as a separate sub-category of international water-borne navigation provided that the same definitional distinction is applied and data are available to support the definition.
1 A 3	d	ii		<i>Domestic water-borne Navigation</i>	Emissions from fuels used by vessels of all flags that depart and arrive in the same country (exclude fishing, which should be reported under 1 A 4 c iii, and military, which should be reported under 1 A 5 b). Note that this may include journeys of considerable length between two ports in a country (e.g. San Francisco to Honolulu).
1 A 3	e			Other Transportation	Combustion emissions from all remaining transport activities including pipeline transportation, ground activities in airports and harbours, and off-road activities not otherwise reported under 1 A 4 c Agriculture or 1 A 2. Manufacturing Industries and Construction. Military transport should be reported under 1 A 5 (see 1 A 5 Non-specified).
1 A 3	e	i		<i>Pipeline Transport</i>	Combustion related emissions from the operation of pump stations and maintenance of pipelines. Transport via pipelines includes transport of gases, liquids, slurry and other commodities via pipelines. Distribution of natural or manufactured gas, water or steam from the distributor to final users is excluded and should be reported in 1 A 1 c ii or 1 A 4 a.
1 A 3	e	ii		<i>Off-road</i>	Combustion emissions from Other Transportation excluding Pipeline Transport.
1 A 4	c	iii		Fishing (mobile combustion)	Emissions from fuels combusted for inland, coastal and deep-sea fishing. Fishing should cover vessels of all flags that have refuelled in the country (include international fishing).

TABLE 3.1.1(CONTINUED)
DETAILED SECTOR SPLIT FOR THE TRANSPORT SECTOR

Code and Name				Explanation
1 A 5	a		<i>Non specified stationary</i>	Emissions from fuel combustion in stationary sources that are not specified elsewhere.
1 A 5	b		<i>Non specified mobile</i>	Mobile Emissions from vehicles and other machinery, marine and aviation (not included in 1 A 4 c ii or elsewhere). Includes emissions from fuel delivered for aviation and water-borne navigation to the country's military as well as fuel delivered within that country but used by the militaries of other countries that are not engaged in.
			Multilateral Operations (Memo item)	Multilateral operations. Emissions from fuels used for aviation and water-borne navigation in multilateral operations pursuant to the Charter of the United Nations. Include emissions from fuel delivered to the military in the country and delivered to the military of other countries.

3.2 ROAD TRANSPORTATION

The mobile source category Road Transportation includes all types of light-duty vehicles such as automobiles and light trucks, and heavy-duty vehicles such as tractor trailers and buses, and on-road motorcycles (including mopeds, scooters, and three-wheelers). These vehicles operate on many types of gaseous and liquid fuels. In addition to emissions from fuel combustion, emissions associated with catalytic converter use in road vehicles (e.g., CO₂ emissions from catalytic converters using urea)¹ are also addressed in this section.

3.2.1 Methodological Issues

The fundamental methodologies for estimating greenhouse gas emissions from road vehicles, which are presented in Section 3.2.1.1, have not changed since the publication of the *1996 IPCC Guidelines* and the *GPG2000*, except that, as discussed in Section 3.2.1.2, the emission factors now assume full oxidation of the fuel. This is for consistency with the Stationary Combustion Chapter in this Volume. The method for estimating CO₂ emissions from catalytic converters using urea, a source of emissions, was not addressed previously.

Estimated emissions from road transport can be based on two independent sets of data: fuel sold (see section 3.2.1.3) and vehicle kilometres. If these are both available it is important to check that they are comparable, otherwise estimates of different gases may be inconsistent. This validation step (Figure 3.2.1) is described in sections 3.2.1.3 and 3.2.3. It is *good practice* to perform this validation step if vehicle kilometre data are available.

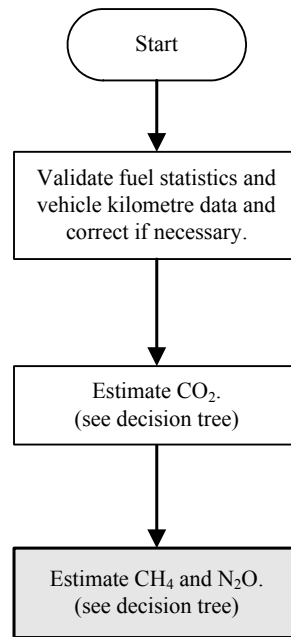
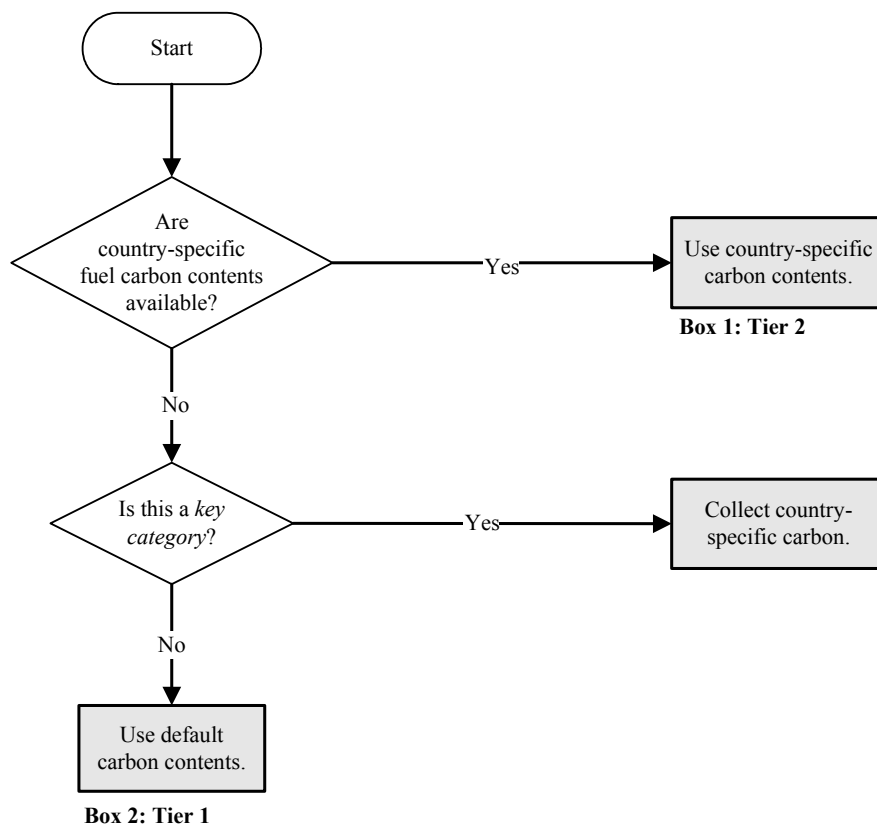
3.2.1.1 CHOICE OF METHOD

Emissions can be estimated from either the fuel consumed (represented by fuel sold) or the distance travelled by the vehicles. In general, the first approach (fuel sold) is appropriate for CO₂ and the second (distance travelled by vehicle type and road type) is appropriate for CH₄ and N₂O.

CO₂ EMISSIONS

Emissions of CO₂ are best calculated on the basis of the amount and type of fuel combusted (taken to be equal to the fuel sold, see section 3.2.1.3) and its carbon content. Figure 3.2.2 shows the decision tree for CO₂ that guides the choice of either the Tier 1 or Tier 2 method. Each tier is defined below.

¹ Urea consumption for catalytic converters in vehicles is directly related to the vehicle fuel consumption and technology.

Figure 3.2.1 Steps in estimating emissions from road transport**Figure 3.2.2** Decision tree for CO₂ emissions from fuel combustion in road vehicles

Note: See Volume 1 Chapter 4, “Methodological Choice and Key Categories” (noting section 4.1.2 on limited resources) for discussion of *key categories* and use of decision trees.

The Tier 1 approach calculates CO₂ emissions by multiplying estimated fuel sold with a default CO₂ emission factor. The approach is represented in Equation 3.2.1.

EQUATION 3.2.1
CO₂ FROM ROAD TRANSPORT

$$Emission = \sum_a [Fuel_a \cdot EF_a]$$

Where:

Emission = Emissions of CO₂ (kg)

Fuel_a = fuel sold (TJ)

EF_a = emission factor (kg/TJ). This is equal to the carbon content of the fuel multiplied by 44/12.

a = type of fuel (e.g. petrol, diesel, natural gas, LPG etc)

The CO₂ emission factor takes account of all the carbon in the fuel including that emitted as CO₂, CH₄, CO, NMVOC and particulate matter². Any carbon in the fuel derived from biomass should be reported as an information item and not included in the sectoral or national totals to avoid double counting as the net emissions from biomass are already accounted for in the AFOLU sector (see section 3.2.1.4 Completeness).

The Tier 2 approach is the same as Tier 1 except that country-specific carbon contents of the fuel sold in road transport are used. Equation 3.2.1 still applies but the emission factor is based on the actual carbon content of fuels consumed (as represented by fuel sold) in the country during the inventory year. At Tier 2, the CO₂ emission factors may be adjusted to take account of un-oxidised carbon or carbon emitted as a non-CO₂ gas.

There is no Tier 3 as it is not possible to produce significantly better results for CO₂ than by using the existing Tier 2. In order to reduce the uncertainties, efforts should concentrate on the carbon content and on improving the data on fuel sold. Another major uncertainty component is the use of transport fuel for non-road purposes.

CO₂ EMISSIONS FROM UREA-BASED CATALYSTS

For estimating CO₂ emissions from use of urea-based additives in catalytic converters (non-combustive emissions), it is *good practice* to use Equation 3.2.2:

EQUATION 3.2.2
CO₂ FROM UREA-BASED CATALYTIC CONVERTERS

$$Emission = Activity \cdot \frac{12}{60} \cdot Purity \cdot \frac{44}{12}$$

Where:

Emissions = CO₂ Emissions from urea-based additive in catalytic converters (Gg CO₂)

Activity = amount of urea-based additive consumed for use in catalytic converters (Gg)

Purity = the mass fraction (= percentage divided by 100) of urea in the urea-based additive

The factor (12/60) captures the stoichiometric conversion from urea (CO(NH₂)₂) to carbon, while factor (44/12) converts carbon to CO₂. On the average, the activity level is 1 to 3 percent of diesel consumption by the vehicle. Thirty two and half percent can be taken as default purity in case country-specific values are not available (Peckham, 2003). As this is based on the properties of the materials used, there are no tiers for this source.

CH₄ AND N₂O EMISSIONS

Emissions of CH₄ and N₂O are more difficult to estimate accurately than those for CO₂ because emission factors depend on vehicle technology, fuel and operating characteristics. Both distance-based activity data (e.g. vehicle-kilometres travelled) and disaggregated fuel consumption may be considerably less certain than overall fuel sold.

CH₄ and N₂O emissions are significantly affected by the distribution of emission controls in the fleet. Thus higher tiers use an approach taking into account populations of different vehicle types and their different pollution control technologies.

² Research on carbon mass balances for U.S. light-duty gasoline cars and trucks indicates that “the fraction of solid (unoxidized) carbon is negligible” USEPA (2004a). This did not address two-stroke engines or fuel types other than gasoline. Additional discussion of the 100 percent oxidation assumption is included in Section 1.4.2.1 of the Energy Volume Introduction chapter.

Although CO₂ emissions from biogenic carbon are not included in national totals, the combustion of biofuels in mobile sources generates anthropogenic CH₄ and N₂O that should be calculated and reported in emissions estimates.

The decision tree in Figure 3.2.3 outlines choice of method for calculating emissions of CH₄ and N₂O. The inventory compiler should choose the method on the basis of the existence and quality of data. The tiers are defined in the corresponding equations 3.2.3 to 3.2.5, below.

Three alternative approaches can be used to estimate CH₄ and N₂O emissions from road vehicles: one is based on vehicle kilometres travelled (VKT) and two are based on fuel sold. The Tier 3 approach requires detailed, country-specific data to generate activity-based emission factors for vehicle subcategories and may involve national models. Tier 3 calculates emissions by multiplying emission factors by vehicle activity levels (e.g., VKT) for each vehicle subcategory and possible road type. Vehicle subcategories are based on vehicle type, age, and emissions control technology. The Tier 2 approach uses fuel-based emission factors specific to vehicle subcategories. Tier 1, which uses fuel-based emission factors, may be used if it is not possible to estimate fuel consumption by vehicle type.

The equation for the Tier 1 method for estimating CH₄ and N₂O from road vehicles may be expressed as:

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{EQUATION 3.2.3} \\ & \text{TIER 1 EMISSIONS OF CH}_4 \text{ AND N}_2\text{O} \\ & \text{Emission} = \sum_a [\text{Fuel}_a \bullet \text{EF}_a] \end{aligned}$$

Where:

Emissions = emission in kg

EF_a = emission factor (kg/TJ)

Fuel_a = fuel consumed, (TJ) (as represented by fuel sold)

a = fuel type a (e.g., diesel, gasoline, natural gas, LPG)

Equation 3.2.3 for the Tier 1 method implies the following steps:

- Step 1: Determine the amount of fuel consumed by fuel type for road transportation using national data or, as an alternative, IEA or UN international data sources (all values should be reported in terajoules).
- Step 2: For each fuel type, multiply the amount of fuel consumed by the appropriate CH₄ and N₂O default emission factors. Default emission factors may be found in the next Section 3.2.1.2 (Emission Factors).
- Step 3: Emissions of each pollutant are summed across all fuel types.

The emission equation for Tier 2 is:

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{EQUATION 3.2.4} \\ & \text{TIER 2 EMISSIONS OF CH}_4 \text{ AND N}_2\text{O} \\ & \text{Emission} = \sum_{a,b,c} [\text{Fuel}_{a,b,c} \bullet \text{EF}_{a,b,c}] \end{aligned}$$

Where:

Emission = emission in kg.

EF_{a,b,c} = emission factor (kg/TJ)

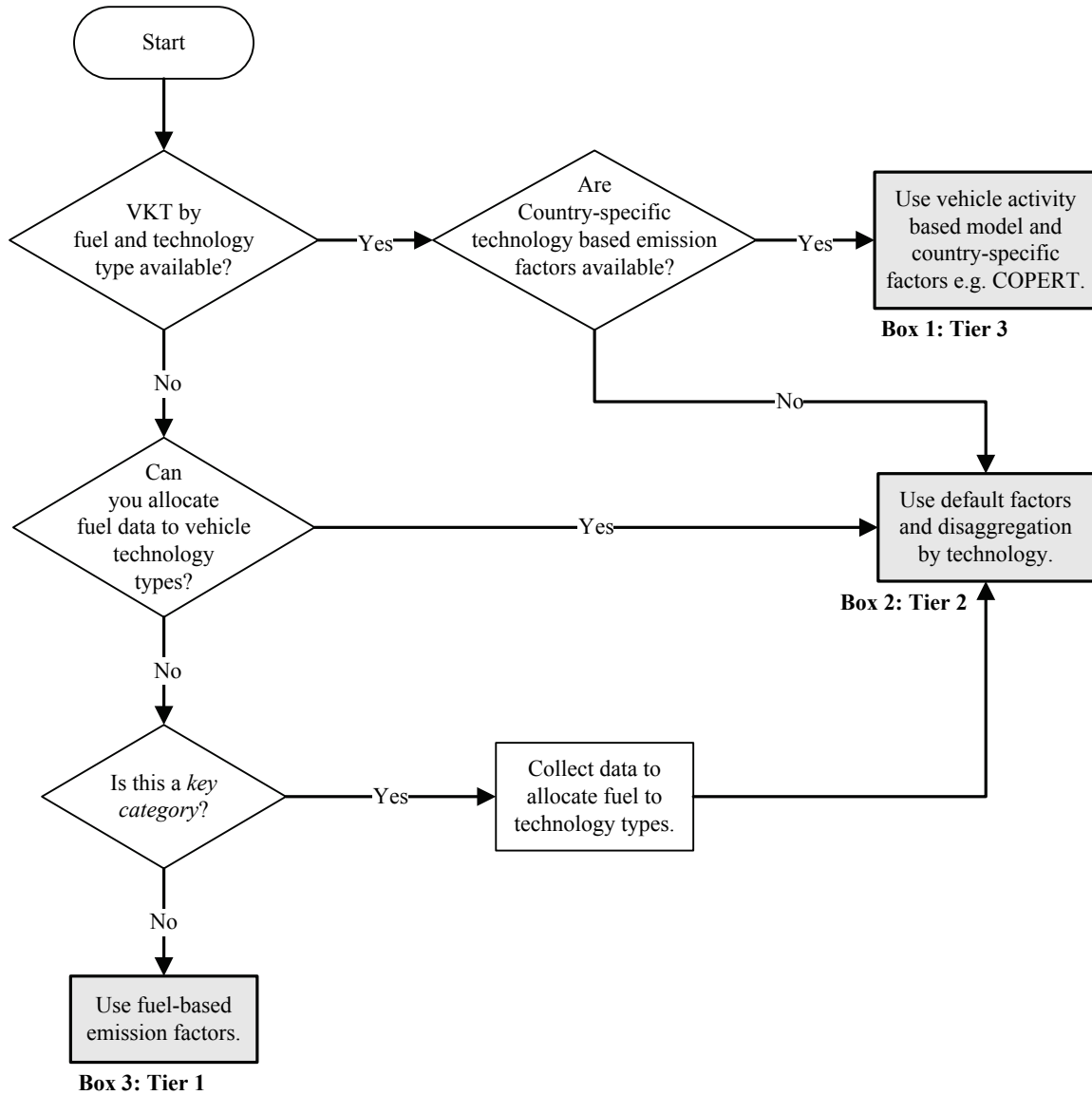
Fuel_{a,b,c} = fuel consumed (TJ) (as represented by fuel sold) for a given mobile source activity

a = fuel type (e.g., diesel, gasoline, natural gas, LPG)

b = vehicle type

c = emission control technology (such as uncontrolled, catalytic converter, etc)

Figure 3.2.3 Decision tree for CH₄ and N₂O emissions from road vehicles



Notes:

1. See Volume 1 Chapter 4, “Methodological Choice and Key Categories” (noting section 4.1.2 on limited resources) for discussion of *key categories* and use of decision trees.
2. The decision tree and *key category* determination should be applied to methane and nitrous oxide emissions separately.

Vehicle type should follow the reporting classification 1.A.3.b (i to iv) (i.e., passenger, light-duty or heavy-duty for road vehicles, motorcycles) and preferably be further split by vehicle age (e.g., up to 3 years old, 3-8 years, older than 8 years) to enable categorization of vehicles by control technology (e.g., by inferring technology adoption as a function of policy implementation year). Where possible, fuel type should be split by sulphur content to allow for delineation of vehicle categories according to emission control system, because the emission control system operation is dependent upon the use of low sulphur fuel during the whole system lifespan³. Without considering this aspect, CH₄ may be underestimated. This applies to Tiers 2 and 3.

The emission equation for Tier 3 is:

EQUATION 3.2.5
TIER 3 EMISSIONS OF CH₄ AND N₂O

$$Emission = \sum_{a,b,c,d} [Distance_{a,b,c,d} \bullet EF_{a,b,c,d}] + \sum_{a,b,c,d} C_{a,b,c,d}$$

Where:

- Emission = emission of CH₄ or N₂O (kg)
- EF_{a,b,c,d} = emission factor (kg/km)
- Distance_{a,b,c,d} = distance travelled (VKT) during thermally stabilized engine operation phase for a given mobile source activity (km)
- C_{a,b,c,d} = emissions during warm-up phase (cold start) (kg)
- a = fuel type (e.g., diesel, gasoline, natural gas, LPG)
- b = vehicle type
- c = emission control technology (such as uncontrolled, catalytic converter, etc.)
- d = operating conditions (e.g., urban or rural road type, climate, or other environmental factors)

It may not be possible to split by road type in which case this can be ignored. Often emission models such as the USEPA MOVES or MOBILE models, or the EEA's COPERT model will be used (USEPA 2005a, USEPA 2005b, EEA 2005, respectively). These include detailed fleet models that enable a range of vehicle types and control technologies to be considered as well as fleet models to estimate VKT driven by these vehicle types. Emission models can help to ensure consistency and transparency because the calculation procedures may be fixed in software packages that may be used. It is *good practice* to clearly document any modifications to standardised models.

Additional emissions occur when the engines are cold, and this can be a significant contribution to total emissions from road vehicles. These should be included in Tier 3 models. Total emissions are calculated by summing emissions from the different phases, namely the thermally stabilized engine operation (hot) and the warming-up phase (cold start) – Eq 3.2.5 above. Cold starts are engine starts that occur when the engine temperature is below that at which the catalyst starts to operate (light-off threshold, roughly 300°C) or before the engine reaches its normal operation temperature for non-catalyst equipped vehicles. These have higher CH₄ (and CO and HC) emissions. Research has shown that 180-240 seconds is the approximate average cold start mode duration. The cold start emission factors should therefore be applied only for this initial fraction of a vehicle's journey (up to around 3 km) and then the running emission factors should be applied. Please refer to USEPA (2004b) and EEA (2005a) for further details. The cold start emissions can be quantified in different ways. Table 3.2.3 (USEPA 2004b) gives additional emissions per start. This is added to the running emission and so requires knowledge of the number of starts per vehicle per year⁴. This can be derived through knowledge of the average trip length. The European model COPERT has more complex temperature dependant corrections for the cold start (EEA 2000) for methane.

³ This especially applies to countries where fuels with different sulphur contents are sold (e.g. "metropolitan" diesel). Some control systems (for example, diesel exhaust catalyst converters) require ultra low sulphur fuels (e.g. diesel with 50 ppm S or less) to be operational. Higher sulphur levels deteriorate such systems, increasing emissions of CH₄ as well as nitrogen oxides, particulates and hydrocarbons. Deteriorated catalysts do not effectively convert nitrogen oxides to N₂, which could result in changes in emission rates of N₂O. This could also result from irregular misfuelling with high sulphur fuel.

⁴ This simple method of adding to the running emission the cold start (= number of starts • cold start factor) assumes individual trips are longer than 4 km.

Both Equation 3.2.4 and 3.2.5 for Tier 2 and 3 methods involves the following steps:

- Step 1: Obtain or estimate the amount of fuel consumed by fuel type for road transportation using national data (all values should be reported in terajoules; please also refer to Section 3.2.1.3.)
- Step 2: Ensure that fuel data or VKT is split into the vehicle and fuel categories required. It should be taken into consideration that, typically, emissions and distance travelled each year vary according to the age of the vehicle; the older vehicles tend to travel less but may emit more CH₄ per unit of activity. Some vehicles may have been converted to operate on a different type of fuel than their original design.
- Step 3: Multiply the amount of fuel consumed (Tier 2), or the distance travelled (Tier 3) by each type of vehicle or vehicle/control technology, by the appropriate emission factor for that type. The emission factors presented in the EFDB or Tables 3.2.3 to 3.2.5 may be used as a starting point. However, the inventory compiler is encouraged to consult other data sources referenced in this chapter or locally available data before determining appropriate national emission factors for a particular subcategory. Established inspection and maintenance programmes may be a good local data source.
- Step 4: For Tier 3 approaches estimate cold start emissions.
- Step 5: Sum the emissions across all fuel and vehicle types, including for all levels of emission control, to determine total emissions from road transportation.

3.2.1.2 CHOICE OF EMISSION FACTORS

Inventory compilers should choose default (Tier 1) or country-specific (Tier 2 and Tier 3) emission factors based on the application of the decision trees which consider the type and level of disaggregation of activity data available for their country.

CO₂ EMISSIONS

CO₂ emission factors are based on the carbon content of the fuel and should represent 100 percent oxidation of the fuel carbon. It is *good practice* to follow this approach using country-specific net-calorific values (NCV) and CO₂ emission factor data if possible. Default NCV of fuels and CO₂ emission factors (in Table 3.2.1 below) are presented in Tables 1.2 and 1.4, respectively, of the Introduction Chapter of this Volume and may be used when country-specific data are unavailable. Inventory compilers are encouraged to consult the IPCC Emission Factor Database (EFDB, see Volume 1) for applicable emission factors. It is *good practice* to ensure that default emission factors, if selected, are appropriate to local fuel quality and composition.

Fuel Type	Default (kg/TJ)	Lower	Upper
Motor Gasoline	69 300	67 500	73 000
Gas/ Diesel Oil	74 100	72 600	74 800
Liquefied Petroleum Gases	63 100	61 600	65 600
Kerosene	71 900	70 800	73 700
Lubricants ^b	73 300	71 900	75 200
Compressed Natural Gas	56 100	54 300	58 300
Liquefied Natural Gas	56 100	54 300	58 300

Source: Table 1.4 in the Introduction chapter of the Energy Volume.
Notes:
^a Values represent 100 percent oxidation of fuel carbon content.
^b See Box 3.2.4 Lubricants in Mobile Combustion for guidance for uses of lubricants.

At Tier 1, the emission factors should assume that 100 percent of the carbon present in fuel is oxidized during or immediately following the combustion process (for all fuel types in all vehicles) irrespective of whether the CO₂

has been emitted as CO₂, CH₄, CO or NMVOC or as particulate matter. At higher tiers the CO₂ emission factors may be adjusted to take account of un-oxidised carbon or carbon emitted as a non-CO₂ gas.

CO₂ EMISSIONS FROM BIOFUELS

The use of liquid and gaseous biofuels has been observed in mobile combustion applications (see Box 3.2.1). To properly address the related emissions from biofuel combusted in road transportation, biofuel-specific emission factors should be used, when activity data on biofuel use are available. CO₂ emissions from the combustion of the biogenic carbon of these fuels are treated in the AFOLU sector and should be reported separately as an information item. To avoid double counting, the inventory compiler should determine the proportions of fossil versus biogenic carbon in any fuel-mix which is deemed commercially relevant and therefore to be included in the inventory.

There are a number of different options for the use of liquid and gaseous biofuels in mobile combustion (see Table 1.1 of the Introduction chapter of this Volume for biofuel definitions). Some biofuels have found widespread commercial use in some countries driven by specific policies. Biofuels can either be used as pure fuel or as additives to regular commercial fossil fuels. The latter approach usually avoids the need for engine modifications or re-certification of existing engines for new fuels.

To avoid double counting, over or under-reporting of CO₂ emissions, it is important to assess the biofuel origin so as to identify and separate fossil from biogenic feedstocks⁵. This is because CO₂ emissions from biofuels will be reported separately as an information item to avoid double counting, since it is already treated in the AFOLU Volume. The share of biogenic carbon in the fuel can be acknowledged by either refining activity data (e.g. subtracting the amount of non-fossil inputs to the combusted biofuel or biofuel blend) or emission factors (e.g. multiplying the fossil emission factor by its fraction in the combusted biofuel or biofuel blend, to obtain a new emission factor), but not both simultaneously. If national consumption of these fuels is commercially significant, the biogenic and fossil carbon streams need to be accurately accounted for thus avoiding double counting with refinery and petrochemical processes or the waste sector (recognising the possibility of double counting or omission of, for example, landfill gas or waste cooking oil as biofuel). Double counting or omission of landfill gas or waste cooking oil as biofuel should be avoided.

CH₄ AND N₂O

CH₄ and N₂O emission rates depend largely upon the combustion and emission control technology present in the vehicles; therefore default fuel-based emission factors that do not specify vehicle technology are highly uncertain. Even if national data are unavailable on vehicle distances travelled by vehicle type, inventory compilers are encouraged to use higher tiered emission factors and calculate vehicle distance travelled data based on national road transportation fuel use data and an assumed fuel economy value (see 3.2.1.3 Choice of Activity Data) for related guidance.

If CH₄ and N₂O emissions from mobile sources are not a *key category*, default CH₄ and N₂O emission factors presented in Table 3.2.2 may be used when national data are unavailable. When using these default values, inventory compilers should note the assumed fuel economy values that were used for unit conversions and the representative vehicle categories that were used as the basis of the default factors (see table notes for specific assumptions).

It is *good practice* to ensure that default emission factors, if selected, best represent local fuel quality/composition and combustion or emission control technology. If biofuels are included in national road transportation fuel use estimates, biofuel-specific emission factors should be used and associated CH₄ and N₂O emissions should be included in national totals.

Because CH₄ and N₂O emission rates are largely dependent upon the combustion and emission control technology present, technology-specific emission factors should be used, if CH₄ and N₂O emissions from mobile sources are a *key category*. Tables 3.2.3 and 3.2.5 give potentially applicable Tier 2 and Tier 3 emission factors from US and European data respectively. In addition, the U.S. has developed emission factors for some alternative fuel vehicles (Table 3.2.4). The IPCC EFDB and scientific literature may also provide emission factors (or standard emission estimation models) which inventory compilers may use, if appropriate to national circumstances.

⁵ For example, biodiesel made from coal methanol with animal feedstocks has a non-zero fossil fuel fraction and is therefore not fully carbon neutral. Ethanol from the fermentation of agricultural products will generally be purely biogenic (carbon neutral), except in some cases, such as fossil-fuel derived methanol. Products which have undergone further chemical transformation may contain substantial amounts of fossil carbon ranging from about 5-10 percent in the fossil methanol used for biodiesel production upwards to 46 percent in ethyl-tertiary-butyl-ether (ETBE) from fossil isobutene (ADEME/DIREM, 2002). Some processes may generate biogenic by-products such as glycol or glycerine, which may then be used elsewhere.

BOX 3.2.1**EXAMPLES OF BIOFUEL USE IN ROAD TRANSPORTATION**

Examples of biofuel use in road transportation include:

- Ethanol is typically produced through the fermentation of sugar cane, sugar beets, grain, corn or potatoes. It may be used neat (100 percent, Brazil) or blended with gasoline in varying volumes (5-12 percent in Europe and North America, 10 percent in India, while 25 percent is common in Brazil). The biogenic portion of pure ethanol is 100 percent.
- Biodiesel is a fuel made from the trans-esterification of vegetable oils (e.g., rape, soy, mustard, sun-flower), animal fats or recycled cooking oils. It is non-toxic, biodegradable and essentially sulphur-free and can be used in any diesel engine either in its pure form (B100 or neat Biodiesel) or in a blend with petroleum diesel (B2 and B20, which contain 2 and 20 per cent biodiesel by volume). B100 may contain 10 percent fossil carbon from the methanol (made from natural gas) used in the esterification process.
- Ethyl-tertiary-butyl-ether (ETBE) is used as a high octane blending component in gasoline (e.g., in France and Spain in blends of up to 15 percent content). The most common source is the etherification of ethanol from the fermentation of sugar beets, grain and potatoes with fossil isobutene.
- Gaseous Biomass (landfill gas, sludge gas, and other biogas) produced by the anaerobic digestion of organic matter is occasionally used in some European countries (e.g. Sweden and Switzerland). Landfill and sewage gas are common sources of gaseous biomass currently.

Other potential future commercial biofuels for use in mobile combustion include those derived from lignocellulosic biomass. Lignocellulosic feedstock materials include cereal straw, woody biomass, corn stover (dried leaves and stems), or similar energy crops. A range of varying extraction and transformation processes permit the production of additional biogenic fuels (e.g., methanol, dimethyl-ether (DME), and methyl-tetrahydrofuran (MTHF)).

It is *good practice* to select or develop an emission factor based on all the following criteria:

- Fuel type (gasoline, diesel, natural gas) considering, if possible, fuel composition (studies have shown that decreasing fuel sulphur level may lead to significant reductions in N₂O emissions⁶)
- Vehicle type (i.e. passenger cars, light trucks, heavy trucks, motorcycles)
- Emission control technology considering the presence and performance (e.g., as function of age) of catalytic converters (e.g., typical catalysts convert nitrogen oxides to N₂, and CH₄ into CO₂). Díaz *et al* (2001) reports catalyst conversion efficiency for total hydrocarbons (THCs), of which CH₄ is a component, of 92 (+/- 6) percent in a 1993-1995 fleet. Considerable deterioration of catalysts with relatively high mileage accumulation; specifically, THC levels remained steady until approximately 60 000 kilometers, then increased by 33 percent to between 60 000 to 100 000 kilometres.
- The impact of operating conditions (e.g., speed, road conditions, and driving patterns, which all affect fuel economy and vehicle systems' performance)⁷.
- Consideration that any alternative fuel emission factor estimates tend to have a high degree of uncertainty, given the wide range of engine technologies and the small sample sizes associated with existing studies⁸.

The following section provides a method for developing CH₄ emission factors from THC values. Well conducted and documented inspection and maintenance (I/M) programmes may provide a source of national data for emission factors by fuel, model, and year as well as annual mileage accumulation rates. Although some I/M programmes may only have available emission factors for new vehicles and local air pollutants, (sometimes called regulated pollutants, e.g. NO_x, PM, NMVOCs, THCs), it may be possible to derive CH₄ or N₂O emission factors from these data. A CH₄ emission factor may be calculated as the difference between emission factors for THCs and NMVOCs. In many countries, CH₄ emissions from vehicles are not directly measured. They are a

⁶ UNFCCC (2004)

⁷ Lipman and Delucchi (2002) provide data and explanation of the impact of operating conditions on CH₄ and N₂O emissions.

⁸ Some useful references on bio fuels are available in Beer *et al* (2000), CONCAWE (2002).

fraction of THCs, which is more commonly obtained through laboratory measurements. USEPA (1997) and Borsari (2005) and CETESB (2004 & 2005) provide conversion factors for reporting hydrocarbon emissions in different forms. Based on these sources, the following ratios of CH₄ to THC may be used to develop CH₄ emission factors from country-specific THC data⁹:

- 2-stroke gasoline: 0.9 percent,
- 4-stroke gasoline: 10-25 percent,
- diesel: 1.6 percent,
- LPG: 29.6 percent,
- natural gas vehicles: 88.0-95.2 percent,
- gasohol E22: 24.3-25.5 percent, and
- ethanol hydrated E100: 26.0-27.2 percent.

Some I/M programmes may collect data on evaporatives, which may be assumed to be equal to NMVOCs.¹⁰ Recent and ongoing research has investigated the relationship between N₂O and NO_x emissions. Useful data may become available from this work¹¹.

Further refinements in the factors can be made if additional local data (e.g. on average driving speeds, climate, altitude, pollution control devices, or road conditions) are available, for example, by scaling emission factors to reflect the national circumstances by multiplying by an adjustment factor (e.g., traffic congestion or severe loading). Emission factors for both CH₄ and N₂O are established not just during a representative compliance driving test, but also specifically tested during running conditions and cold start conditions. Thus, data collected on the driving patterns in a country (based on the relationship of starts to running distances) can be used to adjust the emission factors for CH₄ and N₂O. Although ambient temperature has been shown to have impacts on local air pollutants, there is limited research on the effects of temperature on CH₄ and N₂O (USEPA 2004b). Please see Box 3.2.2 for information on refining emission factors for mobile sources in developing countries.

⁹ Gamas et. al. (1999) and Díaz, et.al (2001) report measured THC data for a range of vehicle vintage and fuel types.

¹⁰ IPCC (1997).

¹¹ For light motor vehicles and passenger cars, ratios N₂O/NO_x obtained in literature range around 0.10-0.25 (Lipmann and Delucchi, 2002 and Behrentz, 2003).

BOX 3.2.2**REFINING EMISSION FACTORS FOR MOBILE SOURCES IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES**

In some developing countries, the estimated emission rates per kilometre travelled may need to be altered to accommodate national circumstances, which could include:

- Technology variations - In many cases due to tampering of emission control systems, fuel adulteration, or simply vehicle age, some vehicles may be operating without a functioning catalytic converter. Consequently, N₂O emissions may be low and CH₄ may be high when catalytic converters are not present or operating improperly. Díaz *et al* (2001) provides information on THC values for Mexico City and catalytic converter efficiency as a function of age and mileage, and this also chapter provides guidance on developing CH₄ factors from THC data.
- Engine loading - Due to traffic density or challenging topography, the number of accelerations and decelerations that a local vehicle encounters may be significantly greater than that for corresponding travel in countries where emission factors were developed. This happens when these countries have well established road and traffic control networks. Increased engine loading may correlate with higher CH₄ and N₂O emissions.
- Fuel Composition - Poor fuel quality and high or varying sulphur content may adversely affect the performance of engines and conversion efficiency of post-combustion emission control devices such as catalytic converters. For example, N₂O emission rates have been shown to increase with the sulphur content in fuels (UNFCCC, 2004). The effects of sulphur content on CH₄ emissions are not known. Refinery data may indicate production quantities on a national scale.

Section 3.2.2 Uncertainty Assessment provides information on how to develop uncertainty estimates for emission factors for road transportation.

Further information on emission factors for developing countries is available from Mitra *et al.* (2004).

TABLE 3.2.2
ROAD TRANSPORT N₂O AND CH₄ DEFAULT EMISSION FACTORS AND UNCERTAINTY RANGES ^(a)

Fuel Type/Representative Vehicle Category	CH ₄ (kg /TJ)			N ₂ O (kg /TJ)		
	Default	Lower	Upper	Default	Lower	Upper
Motor Gasoline -Uncontrolled ^(b)	33	9.6	110	3.2	0.96	11
Motor Gasoline –Oxidation Catalyst ^(c)	25	7.5	86	8.0	2.6	24
Motor Gasoline –Low Mileage Light Duty Vehicle Vintage 1995 or Later ^(d)	3.8	1.1	13	5.7	1.9	17
Gas / Diesel Oil ^(e)	3.9	1.6	9.5	3.9	1.3	12
Natural Gas ^(f)	92	50	1 540	3	1	77
Liquified petroleum gas ^(g)	62	na	na	0.2	na	na
Ethanol, trucks, US ^(h)	260	77	880	41	13	123
Ethanol, cars, Brazil ⁽ⁱ⁾	18	13	84	na	na	na

Sources: USEPA (2004b), EEA (2005a), TNO (2003) and Borsari (2005) CETESB (2004 & 2005) with assumptions given below. Uncertainty ranges were derived from data in Lipman and Delucchi (2002), except for ethanol in cars.

(a) Except for LPG and ethanol cars, default values are derived from the sources indicated using the NCV values reported in the Energy Volume Introduction chapter; density values reported by the U.S. Energy Information Administration; and the following assumed representative fuel consumption values: 10 km/l for motor gasoline vehicles; 5 km/l for diesel vehicles; 9 km/l for natural gas vehicles (assumed equivalent to gasoline vehicles); 9 km/l for ethanol vehicles. If actual representative fuel economy values are available, it is recommended that they be used with total fuel use data to estimate total distance travelled data, which should then be multiplied by Tier 2 emission factors for N₂O and CH₄.

(b) Motor gasoline uncontrolled default value is based on USEPA (2004b) value for a USA light duty gasoline vehicle (car) – uncontrolled, converted using values and assumptions described in table note (a). If motorcycles account for a significant share of the national vehicle population, inventory compilers should adjust the given default emission factor downwards.

(c) Motor gasoline – light duty vehicle oxidation catalyst default value is based on the USEPA (2004b) value for a USA Light Duty Gasoline Vehicle (Car) – Oxidation Catalyst, converted using values and assumptions described in table note (a). If motorcycles account for a significant share of the national vehicle population, inventory compilers should adjust the given default emission factor downwards.

(d) Motor gasoline – light duty vehicle vintage 1995 or later default value is based on the USEPA (2004b) value for a USA Light Duty Gasoline Vehicle (Car) – Tier 1, converted using values and assumptions described in table note (a). If motorcycles account for a significant share of the national vehicle population, inventory compilers should adjust the given default emission factor downwards.

(e) Diesel default value is based on the EEA (2005a) value for a European heavy duty diesel truck, converted using values and assumptions described in table note (a).

(f) Natural gas default and lower values were based on a study by TNO (2003), conducted using European vehicles and test cycles in the Netherlands. There is a lot of uncertainties for N₂O. The USEPA (2004b) has a default value of 350 kg CH₄/TJ and 28 kg N₂O/TJ for a USA CNG car, converted using values and assumptions described in table note (a). Upper and lower limits are also taken from USEPA (2004b)

(g) The default value for methane emissions from LPG, considering for 50 MJ/kg low heating value and 3.1 g CH₄/kg LPG was obtained from TNO (2003). Uncertainty ranges have not been provided.

(h) Ethanol default value is based on the USEPA (2004b) value for a USA ethanol heavy duty truck, converted using values and assumptions described in table note (a).

(i) Data obtained in Brazilian vehicles by Borsari (2005) and CETESB (2004 & 2005). For new 2003 models, best case: 51.3 kg THC/TJ fuel and 26.0 percent CH₄ in THC. For 5 years old vehicles: 67 kg THC/TJ fuel and 27.2 percent CH₄ in THC. For 10 years old: 308 kg THC/TJ fuel and 27.2 percent CH₄ in THC.

TABLE 3.2.3
N₂O AND CH₄ EMISSION FACTORS FOR USA GASOLINE AND DIESEL VEHICLES

Vehicle Type	Emission Control Technology	N ₂ O		CH ₄	
		Running (hot)	Cold Start	Running (hot)	Cold Start
		mg/km	mg/start	mg/km	mg/start
Light Duty Gasoline Vehicle (Car)	Low Emission Vehicle (LEV)	0	90	6	32
	Advanced Three-Way Catalyst	9	113	7	55
	Early Three-Way Catalyst	26	92	39	34
	Oxidation Catalyst	20	72	82	9
	Non-oxidation Catalyst	8	28	96	59
	Uncontrolled	8	28	101	62
Light Duty Diesel Vehicle (Car)	Advanced	1	0	1	-3
	Moderate	1	0	1	-3
	Uncontrolled	1	-1	1	-3
Light Duty Gasoline Truck	Low Emission Vehicle (LEV)	1	59	7	46
	Advanced Three-Way Catalyst	25	200	14	82
	Early Three-Way Catalyst	43	153	39	72
	Oxidation Catalyst	26	93	81	99
	Non-oxidation catalyst	9	32	109	67
	Uncontrolled	9	32	116	71
Light Duty Diesel Truck	Advanced and moderate	1	-1	1	-4
	Uncontrolled	1	-1	1	-4
Heavy Duty Gasoline Vehicle	Low Emission Vehicle (LEV)	1	120	14	94
	Advanced Three-Way Catalyst	52	409	15	163
	Early Three-Way Catalyst	88	313	121	183
	Oxidation catalyst	55	194	111	215
	Non-oxidation catalyst	20	70	239	147
	Heavy Duty Gasoline Vehicle - Uncontrolled	21	74	263	162
Heavy Duty Diesel Vehicle	All -advanced, moderate, or uncontrolled	3	-2	4	-11
Motorcycles	Non-oxidation catalyst	3	12	40	24
	Uncontrolled	4	15	53	33

Source: USEPA (2004b).

Notes:

^a These data have been rounded to whole numbers.

^b Negative emission factors indicate that a vehicle starting cold produces fewer emissions than a vehicle starting warm or running warming.

^c A database of technology dependent emission factors based on European data is available in the COPERT tool at <http://vergina.eng.auth.gr/mech0/lat/copert/copert.htm>.

^d Because of the total-hydrocarbon limits in Europe, the CH₄-emissions of European vehicles may be lower than the indicated values from USA (Heeb, et. al., 2003)

^e These "cold starts" were measured at an ambient temperature of 68°F to 86°F (20°C to 30°C).

Vehicle Type Vehicle Control Technology	N₂O Emission Factor	CH₄ Emission Factor
Light Duty Vehicles		
Methanol	39	9
CNG	27 - 70	215 - 725
LPG	5	24
Ethanol	12 - 47	27 - 45
Heavy Duty Vehicles		
Methanol	135	401
CNG	185	5 983
LNG	274	4 261
LPG	93	67
Ethanol	191	1227
Buses		
Methanol	135	401
CNG	101	7 715
Ethanol	226	1 292
Sources: USEPA 2004c, and Borsari (2005) CETESB (2004 & 2005).		

TABLE 3.2.5
EMISSION FACTORS FOR EUROPEAN GASOLINE AND DIESEL VEHICLES (mg/km), COPERT IV MODEL

Vehicle Type	Fuel	Vehicle Technology/ Class	N ₂ O Emission Factors (mg/km)				CH ₄ Emission Factors (mg/km)				
			Urban		Rural	Highway	Urban		Rural	Highway	
			Cold	Hot			Cold	Hot			
Passenger Car	Gasoline	pre-Euro	10	10	6.5	6.5	201	131	86	41	
		Euro 1	38	22	17	8.0	45	26	16	14	
		Euro 2	24	11	4.5	2.5	94	17	13	11	
		Euro 3	12	3	2.0	1.5	83	3	2	4	
		Euro 4	6	2	0.8	0.7	57	2	2	0	
	Diesel	pre-Euro	0	0	0	0	22	28	12	8	
		Euro 1	0	2	4	4	18	11	9	3	
		Euro 2	3	4	6	6	6	7	3	2	
		Euro 3	15	9	4	4	7	3	0	0	
	LPG	pre-ECE	0	0	0	0	80	35	25		
		Euro 1	38	21	13	8					
		Euro 2	23	13	3	2					
Euro 3 and later		9	5	2	1						
Light Duty Vehicles	Gasoline	pre-Euro	10	10	6.5	6.5	201	131	86	41	
		Euro 1	122	52	52	52	45	26	16	14	
		Euro 2	62	22	22	22	94	17	13	11	
		Euro 3	36	5	5	5	83	3	2	4	
		Euro 4	16	2	2	2	57	2	2	0	
	Diesel	pre-Euro	0	0	0	0	22	28	12	8	
		Euro 1	0	2	4	4	18	11	9	3	
		Euro 2	3	4	6	6	6	7	3	2	
		Euro 3	15	9	4	4	7	3	0	0	
		Euro 4	15	9	4	4	0	0	0	0	
	Heavy Duty Truck & Bus	Gasoline	All Technologies	6		6	6	140		110	70
			GVW<16t	30		30	30	85		23	20
Diesel		GVW>16t	30		30	30	175		80	70	
		Urban Busses & Coaches	30		30	30	175		80	70	
CNG		pre-Euro 4	n.a.				5400				
		Euro 4 and later (incl. EEV)					900				
Power Two Wheeler	Gasoline	<50 cm ³	1	1	1	219		219	219		
		>50 cm ³ 2-stroke	2	2	2	150		150	150		
		>50 cm ³ 4-stroke	2	2	2	200		200	200		

Notes:

¹ Personal Communication: Ntziachristos, L., and Samaras, Z., (2005), LAT (2005) and TNO (2002).

² The urban emission factor is distinguished into cold and hot for passenger cars and light duty trucks. The cold emission factor is relevant for trips which start with the engine at ambient temperature. A typical allocation of the annual mileage of a passenger car into the different driving conditions could be: 0.3/0.1/0.3/0.3 for urban cold, urban hot, rural and highway respectively.

³ Passenger car emission factors are also proposed for light duty vehicles when no more detailed information exists.

⁴ The sulphur content of gasoline has both a cumulative and an immediate effect on N₂O emissions. The emission factors for gasoline passenger cars correspond to fuels at the period of registration of the different technologies and a vehicle fleet of ~50 000 km average mileage.

⁵ N₂O and CH₄ emission factors from heavy duty vehicles and power two wheelers are also expected to depend on vehicle technology. There is no adequate experimental information though to quantify this effect.

⁶ N₂O emission factors from diesel and LPG passenger cars vehicles are proposed by TNO (2002). Increase in diesel N₂O emissions as technology improves may be quite uncertain but is also consistent with the developments in the after treatment systems used in diesel engines (new catalysts, SCR-DeNO_x).

3.2.1.3 CHOICE OF ACTIVITY DATA

Activity data may be provided either by fuel consumption or by vehicle kilometres travelled VKT. Use of adequate VKT data can be used to check top-down inventories.

FUEL CONSUMPTION

Emissions from road vehicles should be attributed to the country where the fuel is sold; therefore fuel consumption data should reflect fuel that is sold within the country's territories. Such energy data are typically available from the national statistical agency. In addition to fuel sold data collected nationally, inventory compilers should collect activity data on other fuels used in that country with minor distributions that are not part of the national statistics (i.e., fuels that are not widely consumed, including those in niche markets such as compressed natural gas or biofuels). These data are often also available from the national statistical agency or they may be accounted for under separate tax collection processes. For Tier 3 methods, the MOBILE or COPERT models may help develop activity data.

It is *good practice* to check the following factors (as a minimum) before using the fuel sold data:

- Does the fuel data relate to on-road only or include off-road vehicles as well? National statistics may report total transportation fuel without specifying fuel consumed by on-road and off-road activities. It is important to ensure that fuel use data for road vehicles excludes that used for off-road vehicles or machinery (see Off-Road Transportation Section 3.3). Fuels may be taxed differently based on their intended use. A Road-Taxed fuel survey may provide an indication of the quantity of fuel sold for on-road use. Typically, the on-road vehicle fleet and associated fuel sales are better documented than the off-road vehicle population and activity. This fact should be considered when developing emission estimates.
- Is agricultural fuel use included? Some of this may be stationary use while some will be for mobile sources. However, much of this will not be on-road use and should not be included here.
- Is fuel sold for transportation uses used for other purposes (e.g., as fuel for a stationary boiler), or vice versa? For example, in countries where kerosene is subsidized to lower its price for residential heating and cooking, the national statistics may allocate the associated kerosene consumption to the residential sector even though substantial amounts of kerosene may have been blended into and consumed with transportation fuels.
- How are biofuels accounted for?
- How are blended fuels reported and accounted for? Accounting for official blends (e.g. addition of 25 percent of ethanol in gasoline) in activity data is straightforward, but if fuel adulteration or tampering (e.g. spent solvents in gasoline, kerosene in diesel fuel) is prevalent in a country, appropriate adjustments should be applied to fuel data, taking care to avoid double counting.
- Are the statistics affected by fuel tourism?
- Is there significant fuel smuggling?
- How is the use of lubricants as an additive in 2-stroke fuels reported? It may be included in the road transport fuel use or may be reported separately as a lubricant (see Box 3.2.4.).

Two alternative approaches are suggested to separate non-road and on-road fuel use:

(1) For each major fuel type, estimate the fuel used by each road vehicle type from vehicle kilometres travelled data. The difference between this road vehicle total and the apparent consumption is attributed to the off-road sector; or

(2) The same fuel-specific estimate in (1) is supplemented by a similarly structured bottom-up estimate of off-road fuel use from a knowledge of the off-road equipment types and their usage. The apparent consumption in the transportation sector is then disaggregated according to each vehicle type and the off-road sector in proportion to the bottom-up estimates.

Depending on national circumstances, inventory compilers may need to adjust national statistics on road transportation fuel use to prevent under- or over-reporting emissions from road vehicles. It is *good practice* to adjust national fuel sales statistics to ensure that the data used just reflects on-road use. Where this adjustment is necessary it is *good practice* to cross-check with the other appropriate sectors to ensure that any fuel removed from on-road statistics is added to the appropriate sector, or vice versa.

As validation, and if distance travelled data are available (see below vehicle kilometres travelled), it is *good practice* to estimate fuel use from the distance travelled data. The first step (Equation 3.2.6) is to estimate fuel consumed by vehicle type *i* and fuel type *j*.

EQUATION 3.2.6**VALIDATING FUEL CONSUMPTION**

$$\text{Estimated Fuel} = \sum_{i,j,t} [\text{Vehicles}_{i,j,t} \bullet \text{Distance}_{i,j,t} \bullet \text{Consumption}_{i,j,t}]$$

Where:

- Estimated Fuel = total estimated fuel use estimated from distance travelled (VKT) data (l)
- Vehicles_{i,j,t} = number of vehicles of type i and using fuel j on road type t
- Distance_{i,j,t} = annual kilometres travelled per vehicle of type i and using fuel j on road type t (km)
- Consumption_{i,j,t} = average fuel consumption (l/km) by vehicles of type i and using fuel j on road type t
- i = vehicle type (e.g., car, bus)
- j = fuel type (e.g. motor gasoline, diesel, natural gas, LPG)
- t = type of road (e.g., urban, rural)

If data are not available on the distance travelled on different road types, this equation should be simplified by removing the “t” the type of road. More detailed estimates are also possible including the additional fuel used during the cold start phase.

It is *good practice* to compare the fuel sold statistics used in the Tier 1 approach with the result of equation 3.2.6. It is *good practice* to consider any differences and determine which data is of higher quality. Except in rare cases (e.g. large quantities of fuel sold for off-road uses, extensive fuel smuggling), fuel sold statistics are likely to be more reliable. This provides an important quality check. Significant differences between the results of two approaches may indicate that one or both sets of statistics may have errors, and that there is need for further analysis. Areas of investigation to pursue when reconciling fuel sold statistics and vehicle kilometre travelled data are listed in Section 3.2.3, Inventory quality assurance/quality control (QA/QC).

Distance travelled data for vehicles by type and fuel are important underpinnings for the higher tier calculations of CH₄ and N₂O emissions from road transport. So it may be necessary to adjust the distance travelled data to be consistent with the fuel sold data before proceeding to estimating emissions of CH₄ and N₂O. This is especially important in cases where the discrepancy between the estimated fuel use (Eq 3.2.6) and the statistical fuel sold is significant compared to the uncertainties in fuel sold statistics. Inventory compilers will have to use their judgement on the best way of adjusting distance travelled data. This could be done pro rata with the same adjustment factor applied to all vehicle type and road type classes or, where some data are judged to be more accurate, different adjustments could be applied to different vehicle types and road types. An example of the latter could be where the data on vehicle travelled on major highways is believed to be reasonably well known and on the other hand rural traffic is poorly measured. In any case, the adjustments made for reasons of the choice of adjustment factor and background data as well as any other checks should be well documented and reviewed.

VEHICLE KILOMETRES TRAVELLED (VKT)

While fuel data can be used at Tier 1 for CH₄ and N₂O, higher tiers also need vehicle kilometres travelled (VKT) by vehicle type, fuel type and possibly road type as well.

Many countries collect, measure, or otherwise estimate VKT. Often this is done by sample surveys counting vehicle numbers passing fixed points. These surveys can be automatic or manual and count vehicle numbers by type of vehicle. There may be differences between the vehicle classification used in the counts and other data (e.g. tax classes) that also give data on vehicle numbers. In addition they are unlikely to differentiate between similar vehicle using different fuels (e.g. motor gasoline and diesel cars). Sometimes more detailed information is also collected (e.g. vehicle speeds as well as numbers) especially where more detailed traffic planning has been performed. This may only be available for a municipality rather than the whole country. From these traffic counts, transport authorities can make estimates of the total VKT travelled in a country. Alternatives ways to determine the mileage are direct surveys of vehicle owners (private and commercial) and use of administrative records for commercial vehicles, taking care to account for outdated registration records for scrapped vehicles (Box 3.2.3 provides an approach to estimate the remaining fleets).

Where VKT is estimated in a country it is *good practice* to use this data, especially to validate the fuel sold data (see section 3.2.1.4).

OTHER PARAMETERS.

If CH₄ or N₂O emissions from road transportation are a *key category*, it is *good practice* to obtain more information on parameters that influence emission factors to ensure the activity data is compatible with the applicable Tier 2 or Tier 3 emission factor. This will require more disaggregated activity data in order to implement Equation 3.2.3 or 3.2.5:

- the amount of fuel consumed (in terajoules) by fuel type (all tiers);
- for each fuel type, the amount of fuel (or VKT driven) that is consumed by each representative vehicle type (e.g., passenger, light-duty or heavy-duty for road vehicles) preferably with age categories (Tiers 2 and 3); and
- the emission control technology (e.g., three-way catalysts) (Tiers 2 and 3).
- It may also be possible to collect VKT data by type of road (e.g. urban, rural, highway)

If the distribution of fuel use by vehicle and fuel type is unknown, it may be estimated from the number of vehicles by type. If the number of vehicles by vehicle and fuel type is not known, it may be estimated from national statistics (see below).

Vehicle technology, which is usually directly linked to the model and year of vehicle, affects CH₄ and N₂O emissions. Therefore, for Tier 2 and Tier 3 methods, activity data should be grouped based on Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) emission control technologies fitted to vehicle types in the fleet. The fleet age distribution helps stratify the fleet into age and subsequently technology classes. If the distribution is not available, vehicle deterioration curves may be used to estimate vehicle lifespan and therefore the number of vehicles remaining in service based on the number introduced annually (see Box 3.2.3).

In addition, if possible, determine (through estimates or from national statistics) the total distance travelled (i.e., VKT) by each vehicle technology type (Tier 3). If VKT data are not available, they can be estimated based on fuel consumption and assumed national fuel economy values. To estimate VKT using road transport fuel use data, convert fuel data to volume units (litres) and then multiply the fuel-type total by an assumed fuel economy value representative of the national vehicle population for that fuel type (km/l).

If using the Tier 3 method and national VKT statistics are available, the fuel consumption associated with these distance-travelled figures should be calculated and aggregated by fuel for comparison with national energy balance figures. Like the Tier 2 method, for Tier 3 it is suggested to further subdivide each vehicle type into uncontrolled and key classes of emission control technology. It should be taken into consideration that typically, emissions and distance travelled each year vary according to the age of the vehicle; the older vehicles tend to travel less but may emit more CH₄ and N₂O per unit of activity. Some vehicles, especially in developing countries, may have been converted to operate on a different type of fuel than their original design.

To implement the Tier 2 or 3 method, activity data may be derived from a number of possible sources. Vehicle inspection and maintenance (I/M) programmes, where operating, may provide insight into annual mileage accumulation rates. National vehicle licensing records may provide fleet information (counts of vehicles per model-year per region) and may even record mileage between license renewals. Other sources for developing activity data include vehicle sales, import, and export records.

Alternatively, vehicle stocks may be estimated from the number of new vehicle imports and sales by type, fuel and model year. The populations of vehicles remaining in service may be estimated by applying scrappage or attrition curves.

Higher tier methods involving an estimate of cold start emissions require knowledge of the number of starts. This can be derived from the total distance travelled and the average trip length. Typically, this can be obtained from traffic surveys. This data is often collected for local or traffic studies for transport planning.

BOX 3.2.3 VEHICLE DETERIORATION (SCRAPPAGE) CURVES

Deterioration (scrappage) curves can be used to adjust data obtained from fleet statistics based on vehicle licensing plates, where older vehicles are out of service but still registered in official records, leading to overestimation of emissions. They are approximated by Gompertz functions limiting maximum vehicle age.

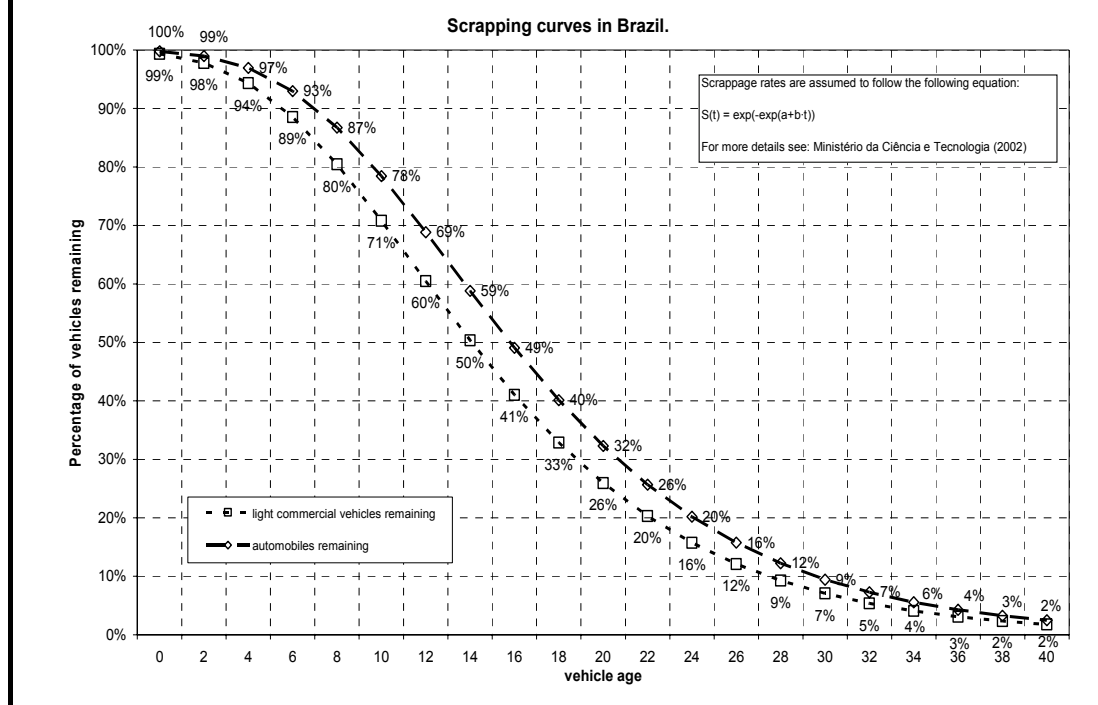
In the case of Brazil, the maximum vehicle age of 40 years was used for the National Communication of Greenhouse Gases (MCT,2002 and

http://www.mct.gov.br/clima/comunic_old/veicul03.htm)

utilizing the S-shaped Gompertz scrapping curve illustrated in this box, Vehicle Scrappage Function. This curve was provided by Petrobras, and is currently utilized by environmental agencies for emission inventories. The share of scrapped vehicles aged t is defined by the equation $S(t) = \exp[-\exp(a + b(t))]$; where (t) is the age of the vehicle (in years) and $S(t)$ is the fraction of scrapped vehicles aged t . In the year 1994, national values were provided for automobiles ($a = 1.798$ and $b = -0.137$) and light commercial vehicles ($a = 1.618$ and $b = -0.141$).

(Ministério da Ciência e Tecnologia (2002), Primeiro Inventário Brasileiro De Emissões

Antrópicas De Gases De Efeito Estufa Relatórios De Referência Emissões De Gases De Efeito Por Fontes Móveis, No Setor Energético. Brasília, Brazil 2002)



3.2.1.4 COMPLETENESS

In establishing completeness, it is recommended that:

- Where cross-border transfers take place in vehicle tanks, emissions from road vehicles should be attributed to the country where the fuel is loaded into the vehicle.
- Carbon emitted from oxygenates and other blending agents which are derived from biomass should be estimated and reported as an information item to avoid double counting, as required by Volume 1. For more information on biofuels, see section 3.2.1.2.
- Ensure the reliability of the fuel sold data by following the recommendations listed in Section 3.2.1.3.
- Emissions from lubricants that are intentionally mixed with fuel and combusted in road vehicles should be captured as mobile source emissions. For more information on combustion of lubricants, please refer to Box 3.2.4

BOX 3.2.4
LUBRICANTS IN MOBILE COMBUSTION

Lubrication of a two-stroke petrol engine is conceptually quite different from that of a four-stroke engine, as it is not possible to have a separate lubricating oil sump. A two-stroke petrol engine should be lubricated by a mixture of lubricating oil and petrol in suitable proportion according to the manufacturer's recommendations. Depending on the engine type, mixtures of 1:25, 1:33 and 1:50 are common.

In the latest generation two-stroke engines, the lubricating oil is directly injected by an accurate metering device from a separate tank into the petrol in quantities that depend on the speed and load of the engine. Older or inexpensive two-stroke engines will receive the lubricant as part of the fuel mixture. Often these mixtures are prepared by the fuel supplier and delivered to the gas station but sometimes the vehicle owner will add oil at the service station. In some countries two stroke engines have been historically very significant as recent as the 1990's (e.g. Eastern Europe) or are still very significant (e.g. India and parts of South-East Asia).

The classification of these lubricants in energy statistics as lubricant or fuel may vary. Inventory compilers need to make sure that these lubricants are allocated to end use appropriately, accounted for properly, and that double counting or omission is avoided (compare treatment of lubricants in Volume 3 Chapter 5: Non-energy product and feedstock use of fuels). Lubricants intentionally mixed with fuel and combusted in road vehicles should be reported as energy and the associated emissions calculated using mobile source guidelines. When the chosen activity data for 2-stroke engines are based on kilometres travelled, the added lubricants should be considered in the fuel economy, as a part of the fuel blend.

3.2.1.5 DEVELOPING A CONSISTENT TIME SERIES

When data collection and accounting procedures, emission estimation methodologies, or models are revised, it is *good practice* to recalculate the complete time series. A consistent time series with regard to initial collection of fleet technology data may require extrapolation, possibly supported by the use of proxy data. This is likely to be needed for early years. Inventory compilers should refer to the discussion in Volume 1 Chapter 5: Time Series Consistency for general guidance.

Since this chapter contains many updated emission factors, for CO₂ (accounting for 100 percent fuel oxidation), CH₄, and N₂O, inventory compilers should ensure time series consistency. A consistent time series should consider the technological change in vehicles and their catalysts control systems. The time series should take into account the gradual phase-in among fleets, which is driven by legislation and market forces. Consistency can be maintained with accurate data on fleet distribution according to engine and control system technology, maintenance, control technology obsolescence, and fuel type. If VKT are not available for the whole time series but for a recent year, guidelines in Volume 1 Chapter 5: Time Series Consistency should be used to select a splicing method.

3.2.2 Uncertainty Assessment

CO₂, N₂O, and CH₄ contribute typically around 97, 2-3 and 1 percent of CO₂-equivalent emissions from the road transportation sector, respectively. Therefore, although uncertainties in N₂O and CH₄ estimates are much higher, CO₂ dominates the emissions from road transport. Use of locally estimated data will reduce uncertainties, particularly with bottom-up estimates.

Emission factor uncertainty

For CO₂, the uncertainty in the emission factor is typically less than 2 percent when national values are used (see Table 1.4 of the Introduction Chapter of this Volume). Default CO₂ emission factors given in Table 3.2.1. Road Transport Default Carbon Dioxide Emission Factors have an uncertainty of 2-5 percent), due to uncertainty in the fuel composition. Use of fuel blends, e.g. involving biofuels, or adulterated fuels may increase the uncertainty in emission factors if the composition of the blend is uncertain.

The uncertainties in emission factors for CH₄ and N₂O are typically relatively high (especially for N₂O) and are likely to be a factor of 2-3. They depend on:

- Uncertainties in fuel composition (including the possibility of fuel adulteration) and sulphur content;

- Uncertainties in fleet age distribution and other characterisation of the vehicle stock, including cross-border effects - the technical characteristics of vehicles from another country that take on fuel may be covered by technology models;
- Uncertainties in maintenance patterns of the vehicle stock;
- Uncertainties in combustion conditions (climate, altitude) and driving practices, such as speed, proportion of running distance to cold starts, or load factors (CH₄ and N₂O);
- Uncertainties in application rates of post-combustion emission control technologies (e.g. three-way catalyst);
- Uncertainties in the use of additives to minimize the aging effect of catalysts;
- Uncertainties in operating temperatures (N₂O); and
- Uncertainties of test equipment and emission measurement equipment.

It is *good practice* to estimate uncertainty based on published studies from which the emission factors were obtained. At least the following types of uncertainties may be discussed in published sources and need to be considered in the development of national emission factors from empirical data:

- A range in the emission factor of an individual vehicle, represented as a variance of measurements, due to variable emissions in different operating conditions (e.g. speed, temperature); and
- Uncertainty in the mean of emission factors of vehicles within the same vehicle class.

In addition, the vehicle sample that was measured may have been quite limited, or even a more robust sample of measurements may not be representative of the national fleet. Test driving cycles cannot fully reflect real driving behaviour, so at least some emission factor studies now test cold start emissions separately from running emissions, so that countries may be able to create country-specific adjustments, though those adjustments will themselves require more data collection with its own uncertainties.

Another source of uncertainty may be the conversion of the emission factor into units in which the activity data are given (e.g. from kg/GJ to g/km) because this requires additional assumptions about other parameters, such as fuel economy, which have an associated uncertainty as well.

The uncertainty in the emission factor can be reduced by stratifying vehicle fleets further by technology, age and driving conditions.

Activity data uncertainty

Activity data are the primary source of uncertainty in the emission estimate. Activity data are either given in energy units (e.g. TJ) or other units for different purposes such as person-/ton-kilometres, vehicle stocks, trip length distributions, fuel efficiencies, etc. Possible sources of uncertainty, which will typically be about +/-5 percent, include:

- Uncertainties in national energy surveys and data returns;
- Unrecorded cross-border transfers;
- Misclassification of fuels;
- Misclassification in vehicle stock;
- Lack of completeness (fuel not recorded in other source categories may be used for transportation purposes); and
- Uncertainty in the conversion factor from one set of activity data to another (e.g. from fuel consumption data to person-/ton-kilometres, or vice versa, see above).

Stratification of activity data may reduce uncertainty, if they can be connected to results from a top-down fuel use approach.

For estimating CH₄ and N₂O emissions, a different tier and hence different sets of activity data may be used. It is *good practice* to ensure that top-down and bottom-up approaches match, and to document and explain deviations if they do not match (see also Section 3.2.1.4 Completeness). For these gases, the emission factor uncertainty will dominate and the activity data uncertainty may be taken to be the same as for CO₂.

Further guidance on uncertainty estimates for activity data can be found in Volume 1 Chapter 3: Uncertainties.

3.2.3 Inventory Quality Assurance/Quality Control (QA/QC)

It is *good practice* to conduct quality control checks as outlined in Volume 1 Chapter 6: Quality Assurance/Quality Control and Verification and expert review of the emission estimates. Additional quality control checks as outlined in Tier 2 procedures in the same chapter and quality assurance procedures may also be applicable, particularly if higher tier methods are used to determine emissions from this source category. Inventory compilers are encouraged to use higher tier QA/QC for source categories as identified in Volume 1 Chapter 4: Methodological Choice and Identification of Key Categories.

In addition to the guidance in the referenced chapters, specific procedures of relevance to this source category are outlined below.

Comparison of emissions using alternative approaches

For CO₂ emissions, the inventory compiler should compare estimates using both the fuel statistics and vehicle kilometre travelled data. Any anomalies between the emission estimates should be investigated and explained. The results of such comparisons should be recorded for internal documentation. Revising the following assumptions could narrow a detected gap between the approaches:

- Off-road/non transportation fuel uses;
- Annual average vehicle mileage;
- Vehicle fuel efficiency;
- Vehicle breakdowns by type, technology, age, etc.;
- Use of oxygenates/biofuels/other additives;
- Fuel use statistics; and
- Fuel sold/used.

Review of emission factors

If default emission factors are used, the inventory compiler should ensure that they are applicable and relevant to the categories. If possible, the default factors should be compared to local data to provide further indication that the factors are applicable.

For CH₄ and N₂O emissions, the inventory compiler should ensure that the original data source for the local factors is applicable to the category and that accuracy checks on data acquisition and calculations have been performed. Where possible, the default factors and the local factors should be compared. If the default factors were used to estimate N₂O emissions, the inventory compiler should ensure that the revised emission factors in Table 3.2.3 were used in the calculation.

Activity data check

The inventory compiler should review the source of the activity data to ensure applicability and relevance to the category. Section 3.2.1.3 provides *good practice* for checking activity data. Where possible, the inventory compiler should compare the data to historical activity data or model outputs to detect possible anomalies. The inventory compiler should ensure the reliability of activity data regarding fuels with minor distribution; fuel used for other purposes, on- and off-road traffic, and illegal transport of fuel in or out of the country. The inventory compiler should also avoid double counting of agricultural and off-road vehicles.

External review

The inventory compiler should perform an independent, objective review of the calculations, assumptions, and documentation of the emissions inventory to assess the effectiveness of the QC programme. The peer review should be performed by expert(s) who are familiar with the source category and who understand the inventory requirements. The development of CH₄ and N₂O emission factors is particularly important due to the large uncertainties in the default factors.

3.2.4 Reporting and Documentation

It is good practice to document and archive all information required to produce the national emissions inventory estimates.

It is not practical to include all documentation in the national inventory report. However, the inventory should include summaries of methods used and references to source data such that the reported emissions estimates are transparent and steps in their calculation may be retraced. This applies particularly to national models used to estimate emissions from road transport, and to work done to improve knowledge of technology-specific emission factors for nitrous oxide and methane, where the uncertainties are particularly great. This type of information, provided the documentation is clear, should be submitted for inclusion in the EFDB.

Confidentiality is not likely to be a major issue with regard to road emissions, although it is noted that in some countries the military use of fuel may be kept confidential. The composition of some additives is confidential, but this is only important if it influences greenhouse gas emissions.

Where a model such as the USEPA MOVES or MOBILE models or the EEA COPERT model is used (EPA 2005a, EPA 2005b, EEA 2005, respectively), a complete record of all input data should be kept. Also any specific assumptions that were made and modifications to the model should be documented.

3.2.5 Reporting tables and worksheets

See the four pages of the worksheets (Annex 1) for the Tier I Sectoral Approach which are to be filled in for each of the source categories. The reporting tables are available in Volume 1, Chapter 8.

3.3 OFF-ROAD TRANSPORTATION

The off-road category (1 A 3 e ii) in Table 3.1.1 includes vehicles and mobile machinery used within the agriculture, forestry, industry (including construction and maintenance), residential, and sectors, such as airport ground support equipment, agricultural tractors, chain saws, forklifts, snowmobiles. For a brief description of common types of off-road vehicles and equipment, and the typical engine type and power output of each, please refer to EEA 2005. Sectoral desegregations are also available at USEPA, 2005b¹².

Engine types typically used in these off-road equipment include compression-ignition (diesel) engines, spark-ignition (motor gasoline), 2-stroke engines, and motor gasoline 4-stroke engines.

3.3.1 Methodological issues

Emissions from off-road vehicles are estimated using the same methodologies used for mobile sources, as presented in Section 3.2. These have not changed since the publication of the *1996 IPCC Guidelines and the GPG2000*, except that, as discussed in Section 3.2.1.2, the emission factors now assume full oxidation of the fuel. This is for consistency with the Stationary Combustion Chapter. Also these guidelines contain a method for estimating CO₂ emissions from catalytic converters using urea, a source of emissions that was not addressed previously.

3.3.1.1 CHOICE OF METHOD

There are three methodological options for estimating CO₂, CH₄, and N₂O emissions from combustion in off-road mobile sources: Tier 1, Tier 2, and Tier 3. Figure 3.3.1: Decision tree for estimating emissions from off-road vehicles provides the criteria for choosing the appropriate method. The preferred method of determining CO₂ emissions is to use fuel consumption for each fuel type on a country-specific basis. However, there may be difficulties with activity data because of the number and diversity of equipment types, locations, and usage

¹² Appendix B of this reference provides Source Classification Codes (SCC) and definitions for: (a) Recreational vehicles; (b) Construction equipment; (c) Industrial equipment; (d) Lawn and garden equipment; (e) Agricultural equipment; (f) Commercial equipment; (g) Logging; (h) GSE/underground mining/oil field equipment; (i) Recreational marine and; (j) Railway maintenance are provided in Appendix B.

patterns associated with off-road vehicles and machinery. Furthermore, statistical data on fuel consumption by off-road vehicles are not often collected and published. In this case higher tier methods will be needed for CO₂ and they are necessary for non-CO₂ gases because these are much more dependent on technology and operating conditions.

A single method is provided for estimating CO₂ emissions from catalytic converters using urea. Many types of off-road vehicles will not have catalytic converters installed, but emission controls will probably increasingly be used for some categories of off-road vehicles, especially those operated in urban areas (e.g., airport or harbour ground support equipment) in developed countries. If catalytic converters using urea are used in off-road vehicles, the associated CO₂ emissions should be estimated.

The general method for estimating greenhouse gas emissions from energy sources can be described as:

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{EQUATION 3.3.1} \\ &\text{TIER 1 EMISSIONS ESTIMATE} \\ &Emissions = \sum_j (Fuel_j \cdot EF_j) \end{aligned}$$

Where:

- Emissions = Emissions (kg)
- Fuel_j = fuel consumed (as represented by fuel sold) (TJ)
- EF_j = emission factor (kg/TJ)
- j = fuel type

For Tier 1, emissions are estimated using fuel-specific default emission factors as listed in Table 3.3.1, assuming that for each fuel type, the total fuel is consumed by a single off-road source category.

For Tier 2, emissions are estimated using country-specific and fuel-specific emission factors which, if available, are specific to broad type of vehicle or machinery. There is little or no advantage in going beyond Tier 2 for CO₂ emissions estimates, provided reliable fuel consumption data are available.

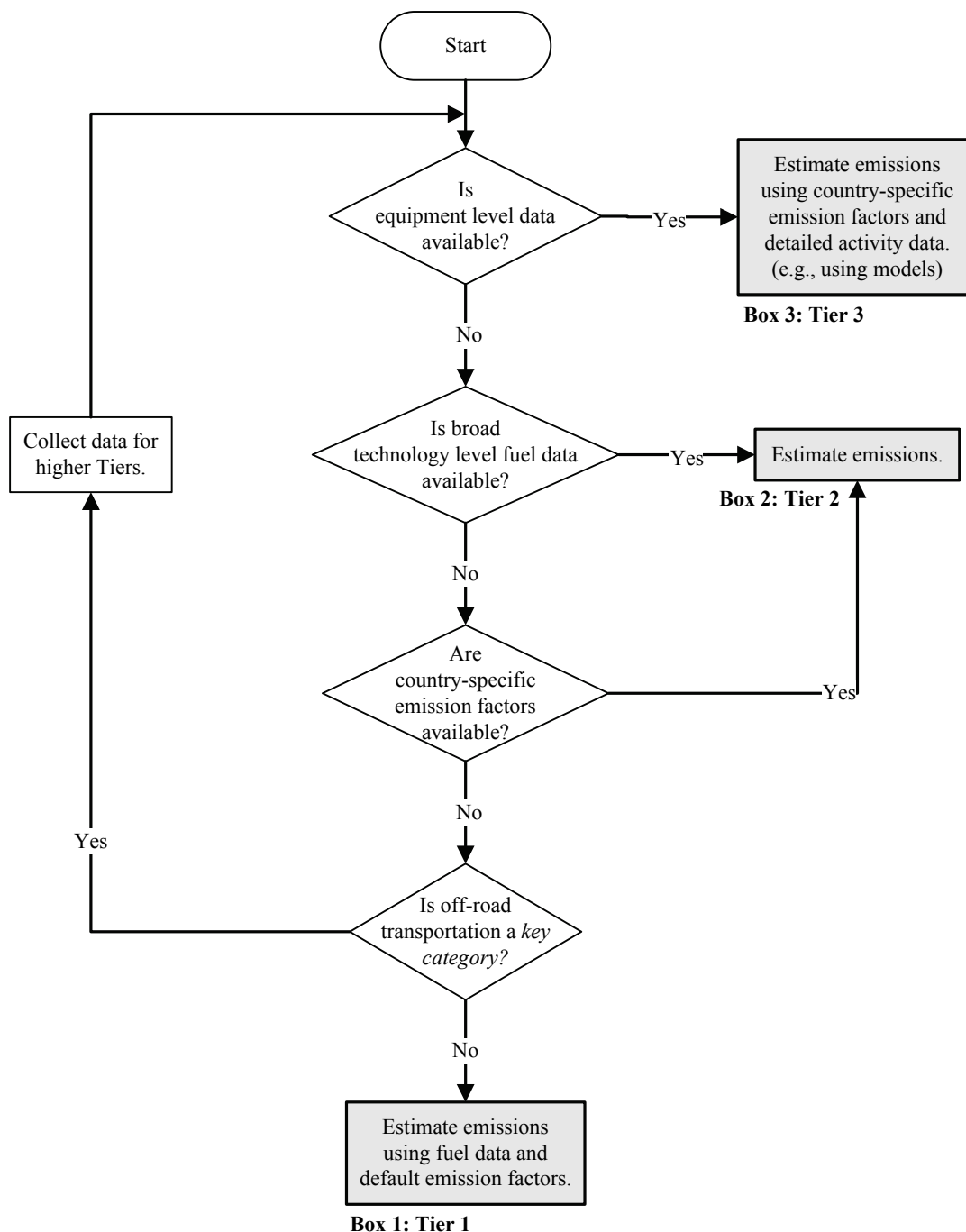
$$\begin{aligned} &\text{EQUATION 3.3.2} \\ &\text{TIER 2 EMISSIONS ESTIMATE} \\ &Emissions = \sum (Fuel_{ij} \cdot EF_{ij}) \end{aligned}$$

Where:

- Emissions = emissions (kg)
- Fuel_{i,j} = fuel consumed (as represented by fuel sold) (TJ)
- EF_{i,j} = emission factor (kg/TJ)
- i = vehicle/equipment type
- j = fuel type

For Tier 3, if data are available, the emissions can be estimated from annual hours of use and equipment-specific parameters, such as rated power, load factor, and emission factors based on power usage. For off-road vehicles, these data may not be systematically collected, published, or available in sufficient detail, and may have to be estimated using a combination of data and assumptions.

Figure 3.3.1 Decision tree for estimating emissions from off-road vehicles



Note: See Volume 1 Chapter 4, “Methodological Choice and Key Categories” (noting section 4.1.2 on limited resources) for discussion of *key categories* and use of decision trees.

Equation 3.3.3 represents the Tier 3 methodology, where the following basic equation is applied to calculate emissions (in Gg):

EQUATION 3.3.3
TIER 3 EMISSIONS ESTIMATE

$$Emission = \sum_{ij} (N_{ij} \cdot H_{ij} \cdot P_{ij} \cdot LF_{ij} \cdot EF_{ij})$$

Where:

Emission = emission in kg.

N_{ij} = source population

H_{ij}	=	annual hours of use of vehicle i (h)
P_{ij}	=	average rated power of vehicle i (kW)
LF_{ij}	=	typical load factor of vehicle i (fraction between 0 and 1)
EF_{ij}	=	average emission factor for use of fuel j in vehicle i (kg/kWh)
i	=	off-road vehicle type
j	=	fuel type

Equation 3.3.3 may be stratified by factors such as age, technological vintage or usage pattern, and this will increase the accuracy of the estimates provided self-consistent sets of parameters H , P , LF and EF are available to support the stratification, (EEA 2005). Other detailed modelling tools are available for estimating off-road emissions using Tier 3 methodology (e.g., NONROAD (USEPA 2005a) and COPERT (Ntziachristos 2000)).

For estimating CO₂ emissions from use of urea-based additives in catalytic converters (non-combustive emissions), Equation 3.3.4 is used:

EQUATION 3.3.4
EMISSIONS FROM UREA-BASED CATALYTIC CONVERTERS

$$Emissions = Activity \cdot \left(\frac{12}{60}\right) \cdot Purity\ Factor \cdot \left(\frac{44}{12}\right)$$

Where:

Emission	=	Emission of CO ₂ (kg)
Activity	=	Mass (kg) of urea-based additive consumed for use in catalytic converters
Purity factor	=	Fraction of urea in the urea-based additive (if percent, divide by 100)

The factor (12/60) captures the stoichiometric conversion from urea ((CO(NH₂)₂)) to carbon, while factor (44/12) converts carbon to CO₂.

3.3.1.2 CHOICE OF EMISSION FACTORS

Default CO₂ emission factors assume that 100% of the fuel carbon is oxidised to CO₂. This is irrespective of whether the carbon is emitted initially as CO₂, CO, NMVOC or as particulate matter.

Country-specific NCV and CEF data should be used for Tiers 2 and 3. Inventory compilers may wish to consult CORINAIR 2004 or the EFDB for emission factors, noting that responsibility remains with the inventory compilers to ensure that emission factors taken from the EFDB are applicable to national circumstances.

For a Tier 3 approach example, please see Box 3.3.1 where more information on tailoring the NONROAD emissions model using country-specific data as well as the model to enhance national emission factors are given.

The default emission factors for CO₂ and their uncertainty ranges, and the default emission factors for CH₄ and N₂O for Tier 1 are provided in Table 3.3.1. To estimate CO₂ emissions, inventory compilers also have the option of using emission factors based on country-specific fuel consumption by off-road vehicles.

TABLE 3.3.1
DEFAULT EMISSION FACTORS FOR OFF-ROAD MOBILE SOURCES AND MACHINERY ^(a)

Off-Road Source	CO ₂			CH ₄ ^(b)			N ₂ O ^(c)		
	Default (kg/TJ)	Lower	Upper	Default (kg/TJ)	Lower	Upper	Default (kg/TJ)	Lower	Upper
Diesel									
Agriculture	74 100	72 600	74 800	4.15	1.67	10.4	28.6	14.3	85.8
Forestry	74 100	72 600	74 800	4.15	1.67	10.4	28.6	14.3	85.8
Industry	74 100	72 600	74 800	4.15	1.67	10.4	28.6	14.3	85.8
Household	74 100	72 600	74 800	4.15	1.67	10.4	28.6	14.3	85.8
Motor Gasoline 4-stroke									
Agriculture	69 300	67 500	73 000	80	32	200	2	1	6
Forestry	69 300	67 500	73 000						
Industry	69 300	67 500	73 000	50	20	125	2	1	6
Household	69 300	67 500	73 000	120	48	300	2	1	6
Motor Gasoline 2-Stroke									
Agriculture	69 300	67 500	73 000	140	56	350	0.4	0.2	1.2
Forestry	69 300	67 500	73 000	170	68	425	0.4	0.2	1.2
Industry	69 300	67 500	73 000	130	52	325	0.4	0.2	1.2
Household	69 300	67 500	73 000	180	72	450	0.4	0.2	1.2

Source: EEA 2005.
Note: CO₂ emission factor values represent full carbon content.
^a Data provided in Table 3.3.1 are based on European off-road mobile sources and machinery. For gasoline, in case fuel consumption by sector is not discriminated, default values may be obtained according to national circumstances, e.g. prevalence of a given sector or weighting by activity
^b Including diurnal, soak and running losses.
^c In general, off-road vehicles do not have emission control catalysts installed (there may be exceptions among off-road vehicles in urban areas, such as ground support equipment used in urban airports and harbours). Properly operating catalysts convert nitrogen oxides to N₂O and CH₄ to CO₂. However, exposure of catalysts to high-sulphur or leaded fuels, even once, causes permanent deterioration (Walsh, 2003). This effect, if applicable, should be considered when adjusting emission factors.

3.3.1.3 CHOICE OF ACTIVITY DATA

Comprehensive top-down activity data on off-road vehicles are often unavailable, and where this is the case statistical surveys will be necessary to estimate the share of transport fuel used by off-road vehicles. Survey design is discussed in Chapter 2 of Vol.1 (Approaches to Data Collection). The surveys should be at the level of disaggregation indicated in Table 3.3.1 to make use of the default emission factor data, and be more detailed for the higher tiers. For the Tier 3 approach, modelling tools are available to estimate the amount of fuel consumed by each subcategory of equipment. Box 3.3.1 provides further information on using the NONROAD emissions model. This model may also be developed to incorporate country-specific modifications (see Box 3.3.2 for the Canadian experience).

BOX 3.3.1
NONROAD EMISSION MODEL (USEPA)

NONROAD 2005 is a mathematical model developed by the USEPA and may be used to estimate and forecast emissions from the non-road (off-road) transportation sectors. The model itself and all available supporting documentation are accessible on the EPA's website (<http://www.epa.gov/otaq/nonrdmdl.htm>). This model estimates emissions for six exhaust gases: hydrocarbons (HC), NO_x, carbon monoxide (CO), carbon dioxide (CO₂), sulphur oxides (SO_x), and particulate matter (PM). The user selects among five different types for reporting HC — as total hydrocarbons (THC), total organic gases (TOG), non-methane organic gases (NMOG), non-methane hydrocarbons (NMHC), and volatile organic compounds (VOC).

Generally, this model can perform a bottom-up estimation of emissions from the defined sources using equipment specific parameters such as: (i) engine populations; (ii) annual hours of use; (iii) power rating (horsepower); (iv) load factor (percent load or duty cycle), and (v) brake-specific fuel consumption (fuel consumed per horsepower-hour). The function will calculate the amount of fuel consumed by each subcategory of equipment. Subsequently, sub-sector (technology/fuel)-specific emission factors may then be applied to develop the emission estimate. The model is sensitive to the chosen parameters but may be used to apportion emissions estimates developed using a top-down approach.

It is not uncommon for the bottom-up approach using this model to deviate from a similar top-down result by a factor of 2 (100%) and therefore users are cautioned to review documentation for areas where this gap may be reduced through careful adjustment of their own inputs. Consequently, users must have some understanding of the population and fuel/technology make-up of the region being evaluated. However, reasonable adjustments can be established based upon: national manufacturing levels; importation/export records; estimated lifespan and scrappage functions. Scrappage functions attempt to define the attrition rate of equipment and may help illustrate present populations based upon historic equipment inventories (see Box 3.2.3 of Section 3.2 of this volume).

3.3.1.4 COMPLETENESS

Duplication of off-road and road transport activity data should be avoided. Validation of fuel consumption should follow the principles outlined in Section 3.2.1.3. Lubricants should be accounted for based on their use in off-road vehicles. Lubricants that are mixed with motor gasoline and combusted should be included with fuel consumption data. Other uses of lubricants are covered in the Volume 3: IPPU Chapter 5).

Amounts of carbon from biomass, eg. biodiesel, oxygenates and some other blending agents should be estimated separately, and reported as an information item to avoid double counting as these emissions are already treated in the AFOLU sector.

3.3.1.5 DEVELOPING A CONSISTENT TIME SERIES

It is *good practice* to determine activity data (e.g., fuel use) using the same method for all years. If this is not possible, data collection should overlap sufficiently in order to check for consistency in the methods employed. If it is not possible to collect activity data for the base year (e.g. 1990), it may be appropriate to extrapolate data backwards using trends in other activity data records.

Emissions of CH₄ and N₂O will depend on engine type and technology. Unless technology-specific emission factors have been developed, it is *good practice* to use the same fuel-specific set of emission factors for all years.

Mitigation activities resulting in changes in overall fuel consumption will be readily reflected in emission estimates if actual fuel activity data are collected. Mitigation options that affect emission factors, however, can only be captured by using engine-specific emission factors, or by developing control technology assumptions. Changes in emission factors over time should be well documented.

For more information on determining base year emissions and ensuring consistency in the time series, see Volume 1, Chapter 5 (Time Series Consistency).

BOX 3.3.2**CANADIAN EXPERIENCE WITH NONROAD MODEL****Using the model to enhance national emission factors:**

NONROAD is initially populated with data native to the United States but may be customised for a given region or Party by simply adjusting the assumed input parameters to accommodate local situations. Parties may wish to designate their region as similar to one of those present in the USA to better emulate the seasonal climate. However, a designated temperature regime may also be input elsewhere. The NONROAD model is, thus, pre-loaded with local USA defaults thereby allowing their constituents to query it immediately.

Canada has begun to adjust this model by commencing national studies to better evaluate country-specific engine populations, available technologies, load factors and brake-specific fuel consumption values (BSFC) unique to the Canadian region. This new information will facilitate creation of Canada-specific input files and therefore not alter the core EPA programme algorithm but allow complete exploitation of the programmes strengths by providing more representative population and operating definitions. Through the introduction of lower uncertainty input data, the model may be used in conjunction with national fuel consumption statistics to arrive at a reasonable, disaggregated emission estimate. When operated with a similarly constructed On-Road model, for which operating parameters are better understood, a complete bottom-up, “apparent” fuel consumption estimate may be scaled to total national fuel sales. The country has used this modelling concept to help improve country-specific emission factors for the off-road consumption of fuel. The total fuel consumed is estimated by fuel type for each of the highly aggregated equipment sectors: (i) 2 cycle *versus* 4 cycle engines; (ii) Agriculture, Forestry, Industrial, Household and Recreational sub-sectors; (iii) gasoline *versus* diesel (spark vs. compression ignition). Once the model reports the total amount of fuels consumed according to this matrix, a composite emission factor is built based on the weighted averages of the contributing sub-sectors and their unique emission factors. The 2 cycle *versus* 4 cycle proportions will contribute to an average Off-Road gasoline EF while the Diesel EF is directly determined. Emission factors representing most GWP gases are not well researched and documented currently in North America and therefore, Canada has historically utilized applicable CORINAIR emission factors for these aggregated equipment sectors. The similarities between earlier technologies present in Europe and North America allow this utilization without introducing unreasonable uncertainty.

3.3.2 Uncertainty assessment

Greenhouse gas emissions from off-road sources are typically much smaller than those from road transportation, but activities in this category are diverse and are thus typically associated with higher uncertainties because of the additional uncertainty in activity data.

The types of equipment and their operating conditions are typically more diverse than that for road transportation, and this may give rise to a larger variation in emission factors and thus to larger uncertainties. However, the uncertainty estimate is likely to be dominated by the activity data, and so it is reasonable to assume as a default that the values in section 3.2.1.2 apply. Also, emission controls, if installed, are likely to be inoperable due to catalyst failure (e.g., from exposure to high-sulphur fuel). Thus, N₂O and CH₄ emissions are more closely related to combustion-related factors such as fuel and engine technology than to emission control systems.

3.3.2.1 ACTIVITY DATA UNCERTAINTY

Uncertainty in activity data is determined by the accuracy of the surveys or bottom-up models on which the estimates of fuel usage by off-road source and fuel type (see Table 3.3.1 for default classification) are based. This will be very case-specific, but factor of 2 uncertainties are certainly possible, unless if there is evidence to the contrary from the survey design.

3.3.3 Inventory Quality Assurance/Quality Control (QA/QC)

It is *good practice* to conduct quality control checks as outlined in Chapter 6 of Volume 1, and expert review of the emission estimates, plus additional checks if higher tier methods are used.

In addition to the guidance above, specific procedures of relevance to this source category are outlined below.

Review of emission factors

The inventory compiler should ensure that the original data source for national factors is applicable to each category and that accuracy checks on data acquisition and calculations have been performed. For default factors, the inventory compiler should ensure that the factors are applicable and relevant to the category. If possible, the default factors should be compared to national factors to provide further indication that the factors are applicable and reasonable.

Check of activity data

The source of the activity data should be reviewed to ensure applicability and relevance to the category. Where possible, the data should be compared to historical activity data or model outputs to look for anomalies. Where surveys data have been used, the sum of on-road and off-road fuel usage should be consistent with total fuel used in the country. In addition, a completeness assessment should be conducted, as described in Section 3.3.1.4.

External review

The inventory compiler should carry out an independent, objective review of calculations, assumptions or documentation or both of the emissions inventory to assess the effectiveness of the QC programme. The peer review should be performed by expert(s) who are familiar with the source category and who understand national greenhouse gas inventory requirements.

3.3.4 Reporting and Documentation

It is *good practice* to document and archive all information required to produce the national emissions inventory estimates as outlined in Chapter 8 of Volume 1.

It is not practical to include all documentation in the national inventory report. However, the inventory should include summaries of methods used and references to source data such that the reported emissions estimates are transparent and steps in their calculation may be retraced.

Some examples of specific documentation and reporting issues relevant to this source category are provided below.

In addition to reporting emissions, it is *good practice* to provide:

- Source of fuel and other data;
- Emission factors used and their associated references;
- Analysis of uncertainty or sensitivity of results or both to changes in input data and assumptions.
- Basis for survey design, where used to determine activity data
- References to models used in making the estimates

3.3.5 Reporting tables and worksheets

See the four pages of the worksheets (Annex 1) for the Tier I Sectoral Approach which are to be filled in for each of the source categories. The reporting tables are available in Volume 1, Chapter 8.

3.4 RAILWAYS

Railway locomotives generally are one of three types: diesel, electric, or steam. Diesel locomotives generally use diesel engines in combination with an alternator or generator to produce the electricity required to power their traction motors.

Diesel locomotives are in three broad categories – shunting or yard locomotives, railcars, and line haul locomotives. Shunting locomotives are equipped with diesel engines having a power output of about 200 to 2000 kW. Railcars are mainly used for short distance rail traction, e.g., urban/suburban traffic. They are equipped with a diesel engine having a power output of about 150 to 1000 kW. Line haul locomotives are used for long distance rail traction – both for freight and passenger. They are equipped with a diesel engine having a power output of about 400 to 4000 kW (EEA, 2005).

Electric locomotives are powered by electricity generated at stationary power plants as well as other sources. The corresponding emissions are covered under the Stationary Combustion Chapter of this Volume.

Steam locomotives are now generally used for very localized operations, primarily as tourist attractions and their contribution to greenhouse gas emissions is correspondingly small. However for a few countries, up to the 1990s, coal was used in a significant fraction of locomotives. For completeness, their emissions should be estimated using an approach similar to conventional steam boilers, which are covered in the Stationary Combustion Chapter.

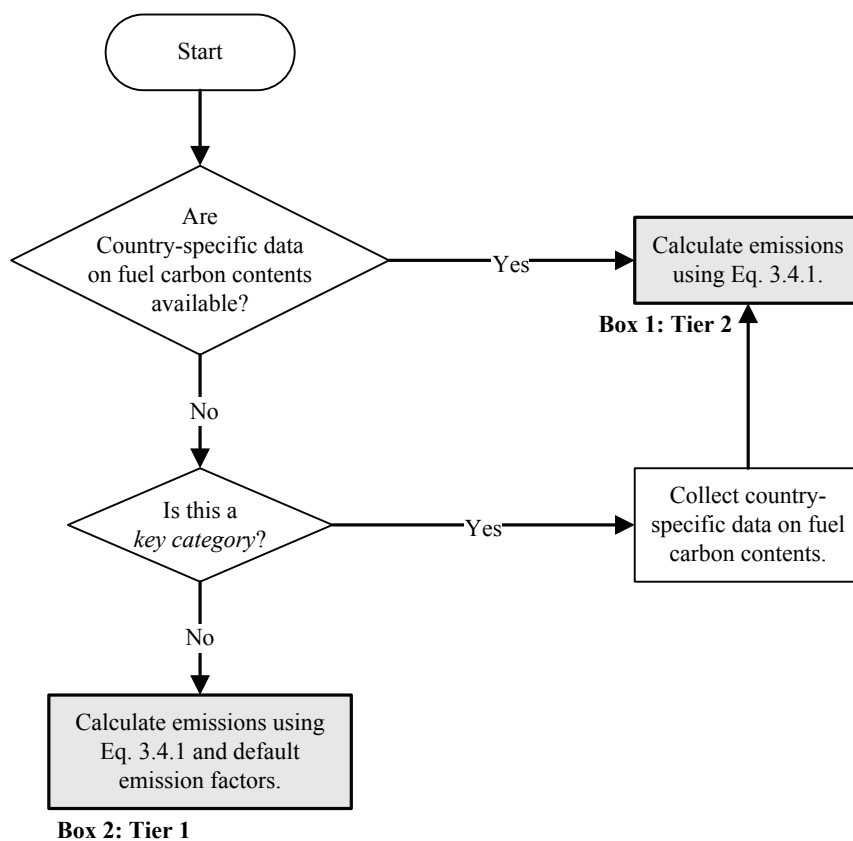
3.4.1 Methodological issues

Methodologies for estimating greenhouse gas emissions from railway vehicles (Section 3.4.1.1), have not changed fundamentally since the publication of the *1996 IPCC Guidelines* and the *GPG2000*. However, for consistency with the Stationary Combustion Chapter, CO₂ emissions are now estimated on the basis of the full carbon content of the fuel. This chapter covers *good practice* in the development of estimates for the direct greenhouse gases CO₂, CH₄ and N₂O. For the precursor gases, or indirect greenhouse gases of CO, NMVOCs, SO₂, PM, and NO_x, please refer to the EMEP/Corinair Guidebook (EEA, 2005) for other mobile sources).

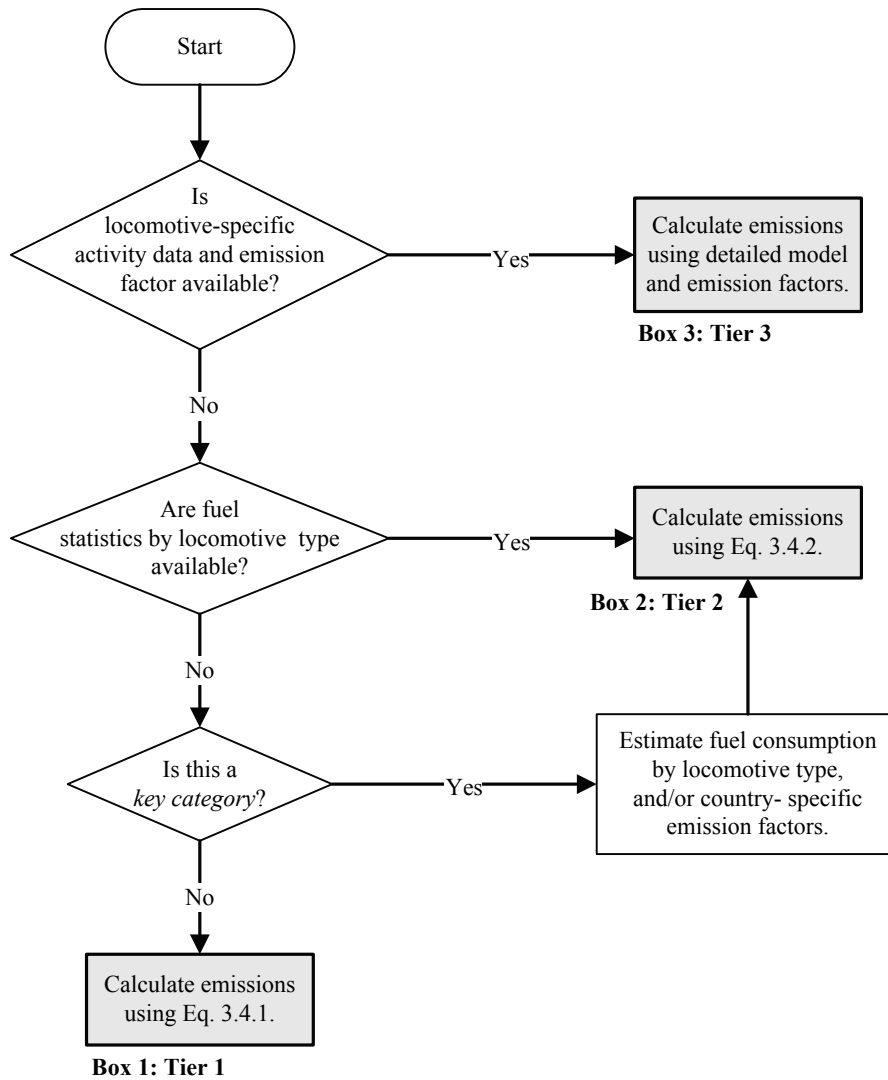
3.4.1.1 CHOICE OF METHOD

There are three methodological options for estimating CO₂, CH₄, and N₂O emissions from railways. The decision trees in Figures 3.4.1 and 3.4.2 give the criteria for choosing methodologies.

Figure 3.4.1 Decision tree for estimating CO₂ emissions from railways



Note: See Volume 1 Chapter 4, “Methodological Choice and Key Categories” (noting section 4.1.2 on limited resources) for discussion of *key categories* and use of decision trees.

Figure 3.4.2 Decision tree for estimating CH₄ and N₂O emissions from railways

Note: See Volume 1 Chapter 4, “Methodological Choice and Key Categories” (noting section 4.1.2 on limited resources) for discussion of *key categories* and use of decision trees.

The three tiers of estimation methodologies are variations of the same fundamental equation:

EQUATION 3.4.1
GENERAL METHOD FOR EMISSIONS FROM LOCOMOTIVES

$$Emissions = \sum_j (Fuel_j \cdot EF_j)$$

Where:

- Emissions = emissions (kg)
- Fuel_j = fuel type j consumed (as represented by fuel sold) in (TJ)
- EF_j = emission factor for fuel type j, (kg/TJ)
- j = fuel type

For Tier 1, emissions are estimated using fuel-specific default emission factors as listed in Table 3.4.1, assuming that for each fuel type the total fuel is consumed by a single locomotive type. For CO₂, Tier 2 uses equation 3.4.1 again with country-specific data on the carbon content of the fuel. There is little or no advantage in going beyond Tier 2 for estimating CO₂ emissions.

With respect to Tier 2 for CH₄ and N₂O, emissions are estimated using country-specific and fuel-specific emission factors in equation 3.4.2. The emission factors, if available, should be specific to broad locomotive technology type.

EQUATION 3.4.2
TIER 2 METHOD FOR CH₄ AND N₂O FROM LOCOMOTIVES

$$Emissions = \sum_i (Fuel_i \cdot EF_i)$$

Where:

- Emissions = emissions (kg)
- Fuel_i = fuel consumed (as represented by fuel sold) by locomotive type i, (TJ)
- EF_i = emission factor for locomotive type i, (kg/TJ)
- i = locomotive type

Tier 3 methods, if data are available, use more detailed modelling of the usage of each type of engine and train, which will affect emissions through dependence of emission factors on load. Data needed includes the fuel consumption which can be further stratified according to typical journey (e.g. freight, intercity, regional) and kilometres travelled by type of train. This type of data may be collected for other purposes (e.g. emissions of air pollutants depending on speed and geography, or from the management of the railway).

Equation 3.4.3 is an example of a more detailed methodology (Tier 3), which is mainly based on the USEPA method for estimating off-road emissions (USEPA 2005 a & b). This uses the following basic formula to calculate emissions (in Gg):

EQUATION 3.4.3
TIER 3 EXAMPLE OF A METHOD FOR CH₄ AND N₂O FROM LOCOMOTIVES

$$Emission = \sum_i (N_i \cdot H_i \cdot P_i \cdot LF_i \cdot EF_i)$$

Where:

- Emission = emissions of CH₄ or N₂O (kg)
- N_i = number of locomotives of type i
- H_i = annual hours of use of locomotive i [h]
- P_i = average rated power of locomotive i [kW]
- LF_i = typical load factor of locomotive i (fraction between 0 and 1)
- EF_i = average emission factor for use in locomotive i [kg/kWh]
- i = locomotive type and journey type

In this methodology, the parameters H, P, LF and EF may be subdivided, such as H into age dependent usage pattern (EEA, 2005). A number of detailed modelling tools are available for estimating locomotive emissions using Tier 3 methodologies (e.g., RAILI (VTT 2003); NONROAD (USEPA 2005a and b); COST 319 (Jorgensen & Sorenson, 1997)). Please refer to Box 3.4.1 for an example of a Tier 3 approach.

3.4.1.2 CHOICE OF EMISSION FACTORS

The default emission factors for CO₂, CH₄ and N₂O and their uncertainty ranges for Tier 1 are provided in Table 3.4.1. To estimate CH₄ and N₂O emissions, inventory compilers are encouraged to use country-specific emission factors for locomotives if available.

Gas	Diesel (kg/TJ)			Sub-bituminous Coal (kg/TJ)		
	Default	Lower	Upper	Default	Lower	Upper
CO ₂	74 100	72 600	74 800	96 100	72 800	100 000
CH ₄ ¹	4.15	1.67	10.4	2	0.6	6
N ₂ O ¹	28.6	14.3	85.8	1.5	0.5	5

Notes:
¹ For an average fuel consumption of 0.35 litres per bhp-hr (break horse power-hour) for a 4000 HP locomotive, (0.47 litres per kWh for a 2983 kW locomotive). (Dunn, 2001).
² The emission factors for diesel are derived from (EEA, 2005) (Table 8-1), while for coal from Table 2.2 of the Stationary Combustion chapter.

These default emission factors may, for non-CO₂ gases, be modified depending on the engine design parameters in accordance with Equation 3.4.4, using pollutant weighting factors in Table 3.4.2

**EQUATION 3.4.4
WEIGHTING OF CH₄ AND N₂O EMISSION FACTORS FOR SPECIFIC TECHNOLOGIES**

$$EF_{i,diesel} = PWF_i \cdot EF_{default,diesel}$$

Where:

$EF_{i,diesel}$ = engine specific emission factor for locomotive of type i (kg/TJ)

PWF_i = pollutant weighting factor for locomotive of type i [dimensionless]

$EF_{default,diesel}$ = default emission factor for diesel (applies to CH₄, N₂O) (kg/TJ)

Engine type	CH ₄	N ₂ O
Naturally Aspirated Direct Injection	0.8	1.0
Turbo-Charged Direct Injection / Inter-cooled Turbo-Charged Direct Injection	0.8	1.0
Naturally Aspirated Pre-chamber Injection	1.0	1.0
Turbo-Charged Pre-chamber Injection	0.95	1.0
Inter-cooled Turbo-Charged Pre-chamber Injection	0.9	1.0

Source: EEA 2005 (Table 8-9);

To take into account the increase in CH₄ and N₂O emissions with the age, the default emission factors for CH₄ may be increased by 1.5 percent per year while deterioration for N₂O is negligible (EEA, 2005).

BOX 3.4.1
EXAMPLE OF TIER 3 APPROACH

The 1998 EPA non-road diesel engine regulations are structured as a 3-tiered progression (USEPA, 1998). Each USEPA-tier involves a phase in (by horse power rating) over several years. USEPA-Tier 0 standards were in phase until 2001. The more stringent USEPA-Tier 1 standards took effect from 2002 to 2004, and yet more stringent USEPA-Tier 2 standards phase-in from 2005 and beyond. The main improvements are in the NO_x and PM emissions over the USEPA-tiers. Use of improved diesel with lower sulphur content contributes to reduced SO₂ emissions. The table below provides broad technology level emission factors for these and other locomotives above 3000 HP. Emission factors may also be provided in g/passenger-kilometer for passenger trains and g/ton-kilometer for freight trains for higher tiers if country-specific information is available (e.g., Hahn, 1989; UNECE 2002).

BROAD TECHNOLOGY LEVEL EMISSION FACTORS								
Model	Engine	Power		Brake specific diesel fuel consumption (kg/kWh)	Reported emission levels (g/kWh)			
		HP	kW		NO _x	CO	HC	CO ₂
EMD SD-40	645E3B	3000	2237	0.246	15.82	2.01	0.36	440
EMD SD-60	710G3	3800	2834	0.219	13.81	2.68	0.35	391
EMD SD-70	710G3C	4000	2983	0.213	17.43	0.80	0.38	380
EMD SD-75	710G3EC	4300	3207	0.206	17.84	1.34	0.40	367
GE Dash 8	7FDL	3800	2834	0.219	16.63	6.44	0.64	391
GE Dash 9	7FDL	4400	3281	0.215	15.15	1.88	0.28	383
GE Dash 9	7FDL (Tier 0)	4400	3281	0.215	12.74	1.88	0.28	383
Evolution	GEVO 12	4400	3281	NA	10.86	1.21	0.40	NA
2TE116	1A-5Д49	6035	2●2250	0.214	16.05	10.70	4.07	382
2TE10M	10Д100	5900	2●2200	0.226	15.82	10.62	4.07	403
TEП60	11Д45	2950	2200	0.236	16.05	10.62	3.84	421
TEП70	2A-5Д49	3420	2550	0.211	15.83	10.55	4.01	377
2M62	14Д40	3943	2●1470	0.231	13.40	9.01	3.23	412

Sources:

¹ EMD and GE locomotive information based on Dunn, 2001. Lower tier CO and HC estimates for line-haul locomotives are 6.7 g/kWh and 1.3 g/kWh respectively.

² For the TE models and 2M62, estimations are based on GSTU 1994.

3.4.1.3 CHOICE OF ACTIVITY DATA

National level fuel consumption data are needed for estimating CO₂ emissions for Tier 1 and Tier 2 approaches. For estimating CH₄ and N₂O emissions using Tier 2, locomotive category level data is needed. Tier 3 approaches require activity data for operations (for example gross tonne kilometre (GTK) and duty cycles) at specific line haul locomotive level. These methods also require other locomotive-specific information, such as source population (with age and power ranges), mileage per train tonnage, annual hours of use and age-dependent usage patterns, average rated horse power (with individual power distribution within given power ranges), load factor, section information (such as terrain topography and train speeds). There are alternate modelling approaches for Tier 3 estimation (VTT 2003; EEA 2005).

The railway or locomotive companies, or the relevant transport authorities may be able to provide fuel consumption data for the line haul and yard locomotives. The contribution from yard locomotives is likely to be very small for almost all countries. If the annual fuel consumption is not provided separately for yard locomotives, it may be possible to estimate fuel use if typical data on their use and daily fuel use is available according to the following equation:

EQUATION 3.4.5**ESTIMATING YARD LOCOMOTIVE FUEL CONSUMPTION**

$$\text{Inventory fuel consumption} = \text{Number of yard locomotives} \bullet \text{Average fuel consumption per locomotive and day} \bullet \text{Average number of days of operation per locomotive in the year}$$

The number of yard locomotives can be obtained from railway companies or transport authorities. If average fuel consumption per day is unknown, a value of 863 litres per day can be used (USEPA, 2005a). The number of days of operation is usually 365. If data for the number of yard locomotives cannot be obtained, the emissions inventory can be approximated by assuming that all fuel is consumed by line haul locomotives.

If fuel consumption data are available for the jurisdiction (State or Territory) as a whole, double counting may occur when locomotives of one company fill-in the jurisdiction of another company. This can be resolved at higher Tiers by the use of operating data.

Where higher tier approaches are used, care should be taken that the fuel consumption data used for CO₂ is consistent with the activity data used for CH₄ and N₂O.

3.4.1.4 COMPLETENESS

Diesel fuel is the most common fuel type used in railways, but inventory compilers should be careful not to omit or double count the other fuels that may be used in diesel locomotives for traction purposes. These may be mixed with diesel and may include petroleum fuels (such as residual fuel, fuel oils, or other distillates), bio-diesel (e.g. oil esters from rape seed, soy bean, sunflower, Jatropha, or Karanja oil, or recovered vegetable and animal fats), and synthetic fuels. Bio-diesel can be used in all diesel engines with slight or no modification. Blending with conventional diesel is possible. Synthetic fuels include synthetic middle distillates (SMD) and Dimethyl Ether (DME) to be produced from various carbonaceous feedstocks, including natural gas, residual fuel oil, heavy crude oils, and coal via the production of synthesis gas. The mix varies and presently it is between 2 to 5 percent bio-diesel and the remaining petroleum diesel. The emission properties of these fuels are considered to be similar to those used for the road transport sector. CO₂ emissions from fuels derived from biomass should be reported as information items, and not included in the national total to avoid double counting.

Diesel locomotives may combust natural gas or coal for heating cars. Although these energy sources may be “mobile,” the methods for estimating emissions from combustion of fuels for heat are covered under the Stationary Combustion section of this Energy Volume. Inventory compilers should be careful not to omit or double count the emissions from energy used for carriage heating in railways.

Diesel locomotives also consume significant amounts of lubricant oils. The related emissions are dealt with in Chapter 5 of the IPPU volume.

There are potential overlaps with other source sectors. A lot of statistical data will not include fuel used in other activities such as stationary railway sources; off-road machinery, vehicles and track machines in railway fuel use. Their emissions should not be included here but in the relevant non-railway categories as stationary sources, off-road etc. If this is not the case and it is impossible to separate these other uses from the locomotives, then it is *good practice* to note this in any inventory report or emission reporting tables.

3.4.1.5 DEVELOPING A CONSISTENT TIME SERIES

Emissions of CH₄ and N₂O will depend on engine type and technology. Unless technology-specific emission factors have been developed, it is *good practice* to use the same fuel-specific set of emission factors for all years.

Mitigation options that affect emission factors can only be captured by using engine-specific emission factors, or by developing control technology assumptions. These changes should be adequately documented.

For more information on determining base year emissions and ensuring consistency in the time series, see Chapter 5 of Volume 1: Time Series Consistency.

3.4.1.6 UNCERTAINTY ASSESSMENT

Greenhouse gas emissions from railways are typically much smaller than those from road transportation because the amounts of fuel consumed are less, and also because operations often occur on electrified lines, in which case the emissions associated with railway energy use will be reported under power generation and will depend on the characteristics of that sector.

To reduce uncertainty, a comprehensive approach is needed for both emission factors and activity data, especially where bottom-up activity data are used. The use of representative locally estimated data is likely to improve accuracy although uncertainties may remain large. It is *good practice* to document the uncertainties both in the emission factors as well as in the activity data. Further guidance on uncertainty estimates for emission factors can be found in Chapter 3 of Volume 1: Uncertainties.

Emission factor uncertainty

Table 3.4.1 provides ranges indicating the uncertainties associated with diesel fuel. In the absence of specific information, the percentage relationship between the upper and lower limiting values and the central estimate may be used to derive default uncertainty ranges associated with emission factors for additives.

Activity data uncertainty

The uncertainty in top-down activity data (fuel use) is likely to be of the order 5 percent. The uncertainty in disaggregated data for bottom-up estimates (usage or fuel use by type of train) is unlikely to be less than 10 percent and could be several times higher, depending on the quality of the underlying statistical surveys. Bottom-up estimates are however necessary for estimating non-CO₂ gases at higher tiers. These higher tier calculations could also yield CO₂ estimates, but these will probably be more uncertain than Tier 1 or 2. Thus the way forward where railways are a *key category* is to use the top-down estimate for CO₂ with country-specific fuel carbon contents, and higher tier estimates for the other gases. A bottom-up CO₂ estimate can then be used for QA/QC cross-checks.

Further guidance on uncertainty estimates for activity data can be found in Chapter 3 of Volume 1: Uncertainties.

3.4.2 Inventory Quality Assurance/Quality Control (QA/QC)

It is *good practice* to conduct quality control checks as outlined in Chapter 6 of Volume 1: Quality Assurance/Quality Control and Verification.

Additional quality control checks as outlined in Tier 2 procedures in Chapter 6 of Volume 1 may also be applicable, particularly if higher tier methods are used to determine emissions from this source category. Inventory compilers are encouraged to use higher tier QA/QC for *key categories* as identified in Chapter 4 of Volume 1: Methodological Choice and Identification of Key Categories. In addition to the above guidance, specific procedures of relevance to this source category are outlined below.

Review of emission factors

The inventory compiler should ensure that the original data source for national factors is applicable to each category and that accuracy checks on data acquisition and calculations have been performed. For the IPCC default factors, the inventory compiler should ensure that the factors are applicable and relevant to the category. If possible, the IPCC default factors should be compared to national factors to provide further indication that the factors are applicable and reasonable.

Check of activity data

The source of the activity data should be reviewed to ensure applicability and relevance to the category. Where possible, the data should be compared to historical activity data or model outputs to look for anomalies. Data could be checked with productivity indicators such as fuel per unit of distance railway performance (freight and passenger kilometres) compared with other countries and compared across different years.

3.4.3 Reporting and Documentation

It is *good practice* to document and archive all information required to produce the national emissions inventory estimates as outlined in Chapter 8 of Volume 1: Reporting Guidance and Tables.

In addition to reporting emissions, it is *good practice* to provide:

- the way in which detailed information needed for bottom-up estimates has been obtained, and what uncertainties are to be estimated;
- how any bottom-up method of fuel use has been reconciled with top-down fuel use statistics.
- emission factors used and their associated references, especially for additives
- the way in which any biofuel components have been identified.

The possible inclusion of fuels used for non-locomotive uses (see section 3.4.1.2 above).

3.4.4 Reporting tables and worksheets

See the four pages of the worksheets (Annex 1) for the Tier I Sectoral Approach which are to be filled in for each of the source categories. The reporting tables are available in Volume 1, Section 8.

3.5 WATER-BORNE NAVIGATION

This source category covers all water-borne transport from recreational craft to large ocean-going cargo ships that are driven primarily by large, slow and medium speed diesel engines and occasionally by steam or gas turbines. It includes hovercraft and hydrofoils. Water-borne navigation causes emissions of carbon dioxide (CO₂), methane (CH₄) and nitrous oxide (N₂O), as well as carbon monoxide (CO), non-methane volatile organic compounds (NMVOCs), sulphur dioxide (SO₂), particulate matter (PM) and oxides of nitrogen (NO_x).

Section 3.5.5 contains definitions of specialist terms that may be useful to an inventory compiler.

3.5.1 Methodological issues

This section deals with the direct greenhouse gases CO₂, CH₄, and N₂O. The source category is set out in detail in Table 3.5.1. The methods discussed can be used also to estimate emissions from military water-borne navigation (see section 3.5.1.4). For the purpose of the emissions inventory, a distinction is made between domestic and international water-borne navigation. Any fugitive emissions from the transport of fossil fuels (e.g., by tanker) should be estimated and reported under the category “Fugitive emissions” as set out in Chapter 4 of this Volume.

3.5.1.1 CHOICE OF METHOD

Two methodological tiers for estimating emissions of CO₂, CH₄, and N₂O from water-borne navigation are presented. Both tiers apply emission factors to fuel consumption activity data. The decision tree shown in Figure 3.5.1 helps in making a choice between the two tiers. Emissions are estimated separately for domestic and international water-borne navigation.

Tier 1

The Tier 1 method is the simplest and can be applied with either default values or country-specific information. The fuel consumption data and emission factors in the Tier 1 method are fuel-type-specific and should be applied to the corresponding activity data (e.g. gas/diesel oil used for navigation). The calculation is based on the amount of fuel combusted and on emission factors for CO₂, CH₄, and N₂O. The calculation is shown in Equation 3.5.1 and emission factors are provided in Table 3.5.2 and Table 3.5.3

<p>EQUATION 3.5.1 WATER-BORNE NAVIGATION EQUATION $Emissions = \sum (Fuel\ Consumed_{ab} \bullet Emission\ Factor_{ab})$</p>

Where:

a = fuel type (diesel, gasoline, LPG, bunker, etc.)

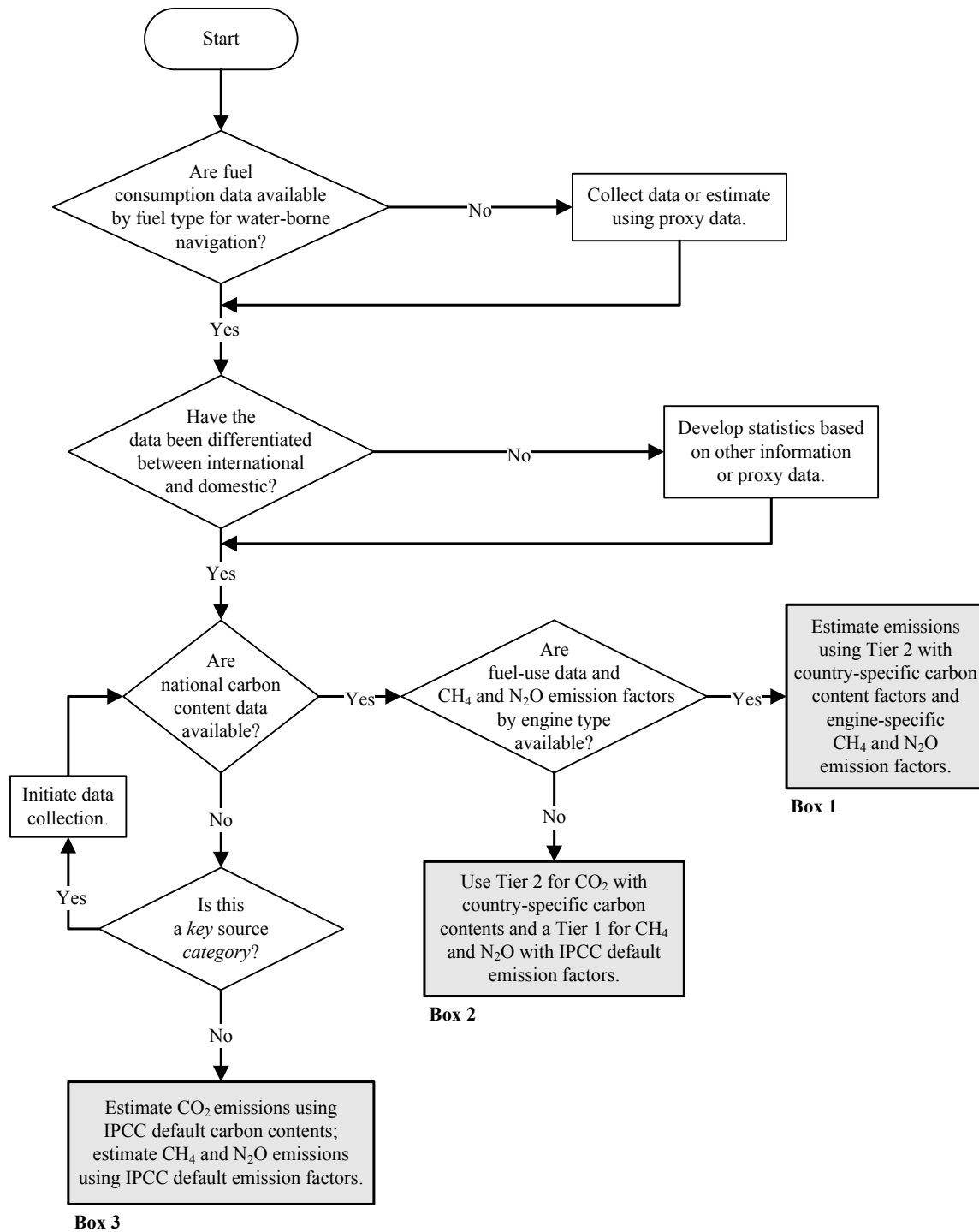
b = water-borne navigation type (i.e., ship or boat, and possibly engine type.) (Only at Tier 2 is the fuel used differentiated by type of vessel so b can be ignored at Tier 1)

Tier 2

The Tier 2 method also uses fuel consumption by fuel type, but requires country-specific emission factors with greater specificity in the classification of modes (e.g. ocean-going ships and boats), fuel type (e.g. fuel oil), and even engine type (e.g. diesel) (Equation 3.5.1). In applying Tier 2, the inventory compilers should note that the EMEP/Corinair emission inventory guidebook (EEA, 2005) offers a detailed methodology for estimating ship emissions based on engine and ship type and ship movement data. The ship movement methodology can be used when detailed ship movement data and technical information on the ships are both available and can be used to differentiate emissions between domestic and international water-borne navigation.

TABLE 3.5.1
SOURCE CATEGORY STRUCTURE

Source category	Coverage
1 A 3 d Water-borne Navigation	Emissions from fuels used to propel water-borne vessels, including hovercraft and hydrofoils, but excluding fishing vessels. The international/domestic split should be determined on the basis of port of departure and port of arrival, and not by the flag or nationality of the ship.
1 A 3 d i <i>International Water-borne Navigation (International bunkers)</i>	Emissions from fuels used by vessels of all flags that are engaged in international water-borne navigation. The international navigation may take place at sea, on inland lakes and waterways and in coastal waters. Includes emissions from journeys that depart in one country and arrive in a different country. Exclude consumption by fishing vessels (see Other Sector - Fishing). Emissions from international military water-borne navigation can be included as a separate sub-category of international water-borne navigation provided that the same definitional distinction is applied and data are available to support the definition.
1 A 3 d ii <i>Domestic Water-borne Navigation</i>	Emissions from fuels used by vessels of all flags that depart and arrive in the same country (exclude fishing, which should be reported under 1 A 4 c iii, and military, which should be reported under 1 A 5 b). Note that this may include journeys of considerable length between two ports in a country (e.g. San Francisco to Honolulu).
1 A 4 c iii <i>Fishing (mobile combustion)</i>	Emissions from fuels combusted for inland, coastal and deep-sea fishing. Fishing should cover vessels of all flags that have refuelled in the country (include international fishing).
1 A 5 b <i>Mobile (water-borne navigation component)</i>	All remaining water-borne mobile emissions from fuel combustion that are not specified elsewhere. Includes military water-borne navigation military emissions from fuel delivered to the country's military not otherwise included separately in 1 A 3 d i as well as fuel delivered within that country but used by the militaries of external countries that are not engaged in multilateral operations.
Multilateral operations (<i>water-borne navigation component</i>)	Emissions from fuels used for water-borne navigation in multilateral operations pursuant to the Charter of the United Nations. Include emissions from fuel delivered to the military in the country and delivered to the military of other countries.

Figure 3.5.1 Decision tree for emissions from water-borne navigation

Note: See Volume 1 Chapter 4, “Methodological Choice and Key Categories” (noting section 4.1.2 on limited resources) for discussion of *key categories* and use of decision trees.

3.5.1.2 CHOICE OF EMISSION FACTORS

TIER 1

Default carbon dioxide emission factors (Table 3.5.2) are based on the fuel type and carbon content and take account of the fraction of carbon oxidised (100 percent), as described in Chapter 1, Introduction, of this Volume and Table 1.4).

kg/TJ				
Fuel	Default	Lower	Upper	
Gasoline	69 300	67 500	73 000	
Other Kerosene	71 900	70 800	73 600	
Gas/Diesel Oil	74 100	72 600	74 800	
Residual Fuel Oil	77 400	75 500	78 800	
Liquefied Petroleum Gases	63 100	61 600	65 600	
Other Oil	Refinery Gas	57 600	48 200	69 000
	Paraffin Waxes	73 300	72 200	74 400
	White Spirit & SBP	73 300	72 200	74 400
	Other Petroleum Products	73 300	72 200	74 400
Natural Gas	56 100	54 300	58 300	

For non-CO₂ gases, Tier 1 default emissions factors on a very general level are provided in Table 3.5.3.

	CH₄ (kg/TJ)	N₂O (kg/TJ)
Ocean-going Ships *	7 ± 50%	2 +140% -40%
*Default values derived for diesel engines using heavy fuel oil. Source: Lloyd's Register (1995) and EC (2002)		

TIER 2

Tier 2 emission factors should be country-specific and, if possible, derived by in-country testing of fuels and combustion engines used in water-borne navigation. Sources of emission factors should be documented in accordance with the provisions of these *Guidelines*. The EMEP/Corinair Emission inventory guidebook (EEA 2005) guidebook can be a source for NO_x, CO and NMVOC emission factors for both Tier 1 and Tier 2 calculations.

3.5.1.3 CHOICE OF ACTIVITY DATA

Data on fuel consumption by fuel type and engine type (for N₂O and CH₄) are required to estimate emissions from water-borne navigation. In addition, in the current reporting procedures, emissions from domestic water-borne navigation are reported separately from international water-borne navigation which requires disaggregating the activity data to this level. For consistency, it is *good practice* to use similar definitions of domestic and international activities for aviation and water-borne navigation. These definitions are presented in Table 3.5.4 and are independent of the nationality or flag of the carrier. In some cases, the national energy statistics may not provide data consistent with this definition. It is *good practice* that countries separate the activity data consistent with this definition. In most countries, tax and custom dues are levied on bunkers for domestic consumption, and bunkers for international consumption are free of such dues. In the absence of more direct sources of data, information about domestic taxes may be used to distinguish between domestic and international fuel consumption. In any case, a country must clearly define the methodologies and assumptions used¹³.

Journey type between two ports	Domestic	International
Departs and arrives in same country	Yes	No
Departs from one country and arrives in another	No	Yes
<p>* Most shipping movement data are collected on the basis of individual trip segments (from one departure to the next arrival) and do not distinguish between different types of intermediate stop (as called for in <i>GPG 2000</i>). Basing the distinction on individual segment data is therefore simpler and is likely to reduce uncertainties. It is very unlikely that this change would make a significant change to the emission estimates. This does not change the way in which emissions from international journeys are reported as an information item and not included in national totals.</p>		

Fuel use data may be obtained using several approaches. The most feasible approach will depend on the national circumstances, but some of the options provide more accurate results than others. Several likely sources of actual fuel or proxy data are listed below, in order of typically decreasing reliability:

- National energy statistics from energy or statistical agencies;
- International Energy Agency (IEA) statistical information;
- Surveys of shipping companies (including ferry and freight);
- Surveys of fuel suppliers (e.g. quantity of fuels delivered to port facilities);
- Surveys of individual port and marine authorities;
- Surveys of fishing companies;
- Equipment counts, especially for small gasoline powered fishing and pleasure craft;
- Import/export records;
- Ship movement data and standard passenger and freight ferry schedules;
- Passenger counts and cargo tonnage data;
- International Maritime Organisation (IMO), engine manufacturers, or Jane's Military Ships Database;
- Ship movement data derived from Lloyds Register data

It may be necessary to combine and compare these data sources to get full coverage of shipping activities.

Marine diesel engines are the main power unit used within the marine industry for both propulsion and auxiliary power generation. Some vessels are powered by steam plants (EEA 2005). Water-borne navigation should also account for the fuel that may be used in auxiliary engines powering for example refrigeration plants and cargo

¹³ It is *good practice* to clearly state the reasoning and justification if any country opts to use the *GPG2000* definitions.

pumps, and in boilers aboard vessels. Many steam powered oil tankers are still in operation, which consume more fuel per day when discharging their cargo in a port to operate the pumps than they do in deep sea steaming. Table 3.5.5 presents the average percentage of fuel consumed by both the main engines and auxiliary engines of the total fuel consumed by water-borne navigation vessel types. This allows the inventory compiler to apply the appropriate emissions factors, if available, as these factors may differ between main engines and auxiliary engines. Table 3.5.6 provides fuel consumption factors for various water-borne navigation vessel types, if the ship fleet by tonnage and category is collected.

Ship Type	Main Engine Consumption (%)	Avg. Number of Aux. Engines Per Vessel	Aux. Engine Consumption (%)
Bulk Carriers	98%	1.5	2%
Combination Carriers	99%	1.5	1%
Container Vessels	99%	2	1%
Dry Cargo Vessels	95%	1.5	5%
Offshore Vessels	98%	1	2%
Ferries/Passenger Vessels	98%	2	2%
Reefer Vessels	97%	2	3%
RoRo Vessels	99%	1.5	1%
Tankers	99%	1.5	1%
Miscellaneous Vessels	98%	1	2%
Totals	98%		2%

Source: Fairplay Database of Ships, 2004. GRT = Gross Registered Tonnage

Ship type	Average Consumption (tonne/day)	Consumption at full power(tonne/day) as a function of gross tonnage(GRT)
Bulk Carriers		
Solid Bulk	33.8	$20.186 + 0.00049 * GRT$
Liquid Bulk	41.8	$14.685 + 0.00079 * GRT$
General Cargo	21.3	$9.8197 + 0.00143 * GRT$
Container	65.9	$8.0552 + 0.00235 * GRT$
Passenger/Ro-Ro/Cargo	32.3	$12.834 + 0.00156 * GRT$
Passenger	70.2	$16.904 + 0.00198 * GRT$
High Speed Ferry	80.4	$39.483 + 0.00972 * GRT$
Inland Cargo	21.3	$9.8197 + 0.00143 * GRT$
Sail Ships	3.4	$0.4268 + 0.00100 * GRT$
Tugs	14.4	$5.6511 + 0.01048 * GRT$
Fishing	5.5	$1.9387 + 0.00448 * GRT$
Other Ships	26.4	$9.7126 + 0.00091 * GRT$
All Ships	32.8	$16.263 + 0.001 * GRT$

Source: Techne (1997)

In addition, although gases from cargo boil-off (primarily LNG or VOC recovery) may be used as fuels on ships, the amounts are usually not large in comparison to the total fuel consumed. Due to the small contribution, it is not required to account for this in the inventory.

3.5.1.4 MILITARY

The *2006 IPCC Guidelines* do not provide a distinct method for calculating military water-borne emissions. Emissions from military water-borne fuel use can be estimated using the equation 3.5.1 and the same calculation approach is recommended for non-military shipping. Due to the special characteristics of the operations, situations, and technologies (e.g., aircraft carriers, very large auxiliary power plants, and unusual engine types) associated with military water-borne navigation, a more detailed method of data analysis is encouraged when data are available. Inventory compilers should therefore consult military experts to determine the most appropriate emission factors for the country's military water-borne navigation.

Due to confidentiality issues (see completeness and reporting), many inventory compilers may have difficulty obtaining data for the quantity of military fuel use. Military activity is defined here as those activities using fuel purchased by or supplied to military authorities in the country. It is *good practice* to apply the rules defining civilian domestic and international operations in water-borne navigation to military operations when the data necessary to apply those rules are comparable and available. Data on military fuel use should be obtained from government military institutions or fuel suppliers. If data on fuel split are unavailable, all the fuel sold for military activities should be treated as domestic.

Emissions resulting from multilateral operations pursuant to the Charter of the United Nations should not be included in national totals, but reported separately; other emissions related to operations shall be included in the national emissions totals of one or more Parties involved. The national calculations should take into account fuel delivered to the country's military, as well as fuel delivered within that country but used by the military of other countries. Other emissions related to operations (e.g., off-road ground support equipment) should be included in the national emissions totals in the appropriate source category.

3.5.1.5 COMPLETENESS

For water-borne navigation emissions, the methods are based on total fuel use. Since countries generally have effective accounting systems to measure total fuel consumption. The largest area of possible incomplete coverage of this source category is likely to be associated with misallocation of navigation emissions in another source category. For instance, for small watercraft powered by gasoline engines, it may be difficult to obtain complete fuel use records and some of the emissions may be reported as industrial (when industrial companies use small watercraft), other off-road mobile or stationary power production. Estimates of water-borne emissions should include not only fuel for marine shipping, but also for passenger vessels, ferries, recreational watercraft, other inland watercraft, and other gasoline-fuelled watercraft. Misallocation will not affect completeness of the total national CO₂ emissions inventory. It will affect completeness of the total non-CO₂ emissions inventory, because non-CO₂ emission factors differ between source categories.

Fugitive emissions from transport of fossil fuels should be estimated and reported under the category "Fugitive emissions". Most fugitive emissions occur during loading and unloading and are therefore accounted under that category. Emissions during travel are considered insignificant.

Completeness may also be an issue where military data are confidential, unless military fuel use is aggregated with another source category.

There are additional challenges in distinguishing between domestic and international emissions. As each country's data sources are unique for this category, it is not possible to formulate a general rule regarding how to make an assignment in the absence of clear data. It is *good practice* to specify clearly the assumptions made so that the issue of completeness can be evaluated.

3.5.1.6 DEVELOPING A CONSISTENT TIME SERIES

It is *good practice* to determine fuel use using the same method for all years. If this is not possible, data collection should overlap sufficiently in order to check for consistency in the methods employed.

Emissions of CH₄ and N₂O will depend on engine type and technology. Unless technology-specific emission factors have been developed, it is *good practice* to use the same fuel-specific set of emission factors for all years.

Mitigation activities resulting in changes in overall fuel consumption will be readily reflected in emission estimates if actual fuel activity data are collected. Mitigation options that affect emission factors, however, can

only be captured by using engine-specific emission factors, or by developing control technology assumptions. Changes in emission factors over time should be well documented.

Marine diesel oil and heavy fuel oil are the fuels used primarily for large sources within water-borne navigation. As the carbon contents of these fuels may vary over the time series, the source of CO₂ emission factors should be explicitly stated, as well as the dates the fuels were tested.

3.5.1.7 UNCERTAINTY ASSESSMENT

Emission factors

According to expert judgment, CO₂ emission factors for fuels are generally well determined as they are primarily dependent on the carbon content of the fuel (EPA, 2004). For example, the default uncertainty value for diesel fuel is about \pm -1.5 percent and for residual fuel oil \pm -3 percent. The uncertainty for non-CO₂ emissions, however, is much greater. The uncertainty of the CH₄ emission factor may range as high as 50 percent. The uncertainty of the N₂O emission factor may range from about 40 percent below to about 140 percent above the default value (Watterson, 2004).

Activity data

Much of the uncertainty in water-borne navigation emission estimates is related to the difficulty of distinguishing between domestic and international fuel consumption. With complete survey data, the uncertainty may be low (say \pm -5 percent), while for estimations or incomplete surveys the uncertainties may be considerable (say \pm -50 percent). The uncertainty will vary widely from country to country and is difficult to generalise. Global data sets may be helpful in this area, and it is expected that reporting will improve for this category in the future.

3.5.2 Inventory Quality Assurance/Quality Control (QA/QC)

It is *good practice* to conduct quality control checks. Specific procedures of relevance to this source category are outlined below.

Comparison of emissions using alternative approaches

If possible, the inventory compiler should compare estimates determined for water-borne navigation using both Tier 1 and Tier 2 approaches. The inventory compiler should investigate and explain any anomaly between the emission estimates. The results of such comparisons should be recorded.

Review of emission factors

The inventory compiler should ensure that the original data source for national factors is applicable to each category and that accuracy checks on data acquisition and calculations have been performed. If national emission factors are available, they should be used, provided that they are well documented. For the default factors, the inventory compiler should ensure that the factors are applicable and relevant to the category.

If emissions from military use were developed using data other than default factors, the inventory compiler should check the accuracy of the calculations and the applicability and relevance of the data.

Check of activity data

The source of the activity data should be reviewed to ensure applicability and relevance to the category. Where possible, the data should be compared to historical activity data or model outputs to look for anomalies. Data could be checked with productivity indicators such as fuel per unit of water-borne navigation traffic performance compared with other countries. The European Environmental Agency provides a useful dataset, http://air-climate.eionet.eu.int/databases/TRENDS/TRENDS_EU15_data_Sep03.xls, which presents emissions and passenger/freight volume for each transportation mode for Europe. The information for shipping is very detailed. Examples of such indicators include: for ships with less than 3000 GT are from 0.09 to 0.16 kg CO₂/tonne-km; for larger ships between 0.04 and 0.14; and for passenger ferries, the factors range from 0.1-0.5 kg/passenger-km.

External review

The inventory compiler should perform an independent, objective review of calculations, assumptions or documentation of the emissions inventory to assess the effectiveness of the QC programme. The peer review should be performed by expert(s) (e.g. transport authorities, shipping companies, and military staff) who are familiar with the source category and who understand inventory requirements.

3.5.3 Reporting and Documentation

Emissions related to water-borne navigation are reported in different categories depending on their nature. For *good practice*, the categories to use are:

- Domestic water-borne navigation;
- International water-borne navigation (international bunkers);
- Fishing (mobile combustion);
- Mobile (Military [water-borne navigation])
- Non-specified Mobile (Vehicles and Other Machinery)

Emissions from international water-borne navigation are reported separately from domestic, and not included in the national total.

Emissions related to commercial fishing are not reported under water-borne navigation. These emissions are to be reported under the Agriculture/Forestry/Fishing category in the Energy Sector. By definition, all fuel supplied to commercial fishing activities in the reporting country is considered domestic, and there is no international bunker fuel category for commercial fishing, regardless of where the fishing occurs.

Military water-borne emissions should be clearly specified to improve the transparency of national greenhouse gas inventories. (see section 3.5.1.4).

In addition to reporting emissions, it is *good practice* to provide:

- Source of fuel and other data;
- Method used to separate domestic and international navigation;
- Emission factors used and their associated references;
- Analysis of uncertainty or sensitivity of results or both to changes in input data and assumptions.

3.5.4 Reporting tables and worksheets

The four pages of the worksheets (Annex 1) for the Tier I Sectoral Approach should be filled in for each of the source categories in Table 3.5.1. The reporting tables are available in Volume 1, Chapter 8.

3.5.5 Definitions of specialist terms

DEFINITIONS

Bulk Carriers – Ships used to transport large amounts of non-containerized cargoes such as oil, lumber, grain, ore, chemicals, etc. Identifiable by the hatches raised above deck level, which cover the large cargo holds.

Combination Carriers – Ships used to transport, in bulk, oil or, alternatively, solid cargoes.

Container Vessels – Ships used to transport large, rectangular metal boxes, usually containing manufactured goods.

Dry Cargo Vessels – Ships used to transport cargo that is not liquid and normally does not require temperature control.

Ferries/Passenger Vessels – Ships used to perform short journeys for a mix of passengers, cars and commercial vehicles. Most of these ships are Ro-Ro (roll on - roll off) ferries, where vehicles can drive straight on and off. Passenger vessels can also include vacation cruise ships.

Offshore Vessels – Term for ships engaging in a variety of support operations to larger ships. Can include offshore supply vessels, anchor handling vessels, tugboats, liftboats (i.e., deck barges), crew boats, dive support vessels, and seismic vessels.

Reefer Vessels – Ships with refrigerated cargo holds in which perishables and other temperature-controlled cargoes are bulk loaded.

Ro-Ro Vessels – Ships with roll-on/roll-off cargo spaces or special category spaces, which allows wheeled vehicles to be loaded and discharged without cranes.

Tankers – Ships used to transport crude oil, chemicals and petroleum products. Tankers can appear similar to bulk carriers, but the deck is flush and covered by oil pipelines and vents.

3.6 CIVIL AVIATION

Emissions from aviation come from the combustion of jet fuel (jet kerosene and jet gasoline) and aviation gasoline¹⁴. Aircraft engine emissions are roughly composed of about 70 percent CO₂, a little less than 30 percent H₂O, and less than 1 percent each of NO_x, CO, SO_x, NMVOC, particulates, and other trace components including hazardous air pollutants. Little or no N₂O emissions occur from modern gas turbines (IPCC, 1999). Methane (CH₄) may be emitted by gas turbines during idle and by older technology engines, but recent data suggest that little or no CH₄ is emitted by modern engines.

Emissions depend on the number and type of aircraft operations; the types and efficiency of the aircraft engines; the fuel used; the length of flight; the power setting; the time spent at each stage of flight; and, to a lesser degree, the altitude at which exhaust gases are emitted.

For the purpose of these guidelines, operations of aircraft are divided into (1) *Landing/Take-Off (LTO) cycle* and (2) *Cruise*. Generally, about 10 percent of aircraft emissions of all types, except hydrocarbons and CO, are produced during airport ground level operations and during the LTO cycle¹⁵. The bulk of aircraft emissions (90 percent) occur at higher altitudes. For hydrocarbons and CO, the split is closer to 30 percent local emissions and 70 percent at higher altitudes, (FAA, 2004a).

Section 3.6.5 contains definitions of specialist terms that may be useful to an inventory compiler.

¹⁴ A fuel used only in small piston engine aircraft, and which generally represents less than 1 percent of fuel used in aviation.

¹⁵ LTO cycle is defined in ICAO, 1993. If countries have more specific data on times in mode these can be used to refine computations in higher tier methods.

3.6.1 Methodological issues

This source category includes emissions from all civil commercial use of airplanes, including civil and general aviation (e.g. agricultural airplanes, private jets or helicopters). Methods discussed in this section can also be used to estimate emissions from military aviation, but emissions should be reported under category 1A 5 'Other' or the Memo Item "Multilateral Operations."

For the purpose of the emissions inventory, a distinction is made between domestic and international aviation, and it is *good practice* to report under the source categories listed in Table 3.6.1.

All emissions from fuels used for international aviation (bunkers) and multilateral operations pursuant to the Charter of UN are to be excluded from national totals, and reported separately as memo items.

3.6.1.1 CHOICE OF METHOD

Three methodological tiers for estimating emissions of CO₂, CH₄ and N₂O from aviation are presented. Tier 1 and Tier 2 methods use fuel consumption data. Tier 1 is purely fuel based, while Tier 2 method is based on the number of landing/take-off cycles (LTOs) and fuel use. Tier 3 uses movement¹⁶ data for individual flights.

All tiers distinguish between domestic and international flights. However, energy statistics used in Tier 1 often do not accurately distinguish between domestic and international fuel use or between individual source categories, as defined in Table 3.6.1. Tiers 2 and 3 provide more accurate methodologies to make these distinctions.

The choice of methodology depends on the type of fuel, the data available, and the relative importance of aircraft emissions. For aviation gasoline, though country-specific emission factors may be available, the numbers of LTOs are generally not available. Therefore, Tier 1 and its default emission factors would probably be used for aviation gasoline. All tiers can be used for operations using jet fuel, as relevant emission factors are available for jet fuel. Table 3.6.2 summarizes the data requirements for the different tiers:

The decision tree shown in Figure 3.6.1 should help to select the appropriate method. The resource demand for the various tiers depends in part on the number of air traffic movements. Tier 1 should not be resource intensive. Tier 2, based on individual aircraft, and Tier 3A, based on Origin and Destination (OD) pairs, would use incrementally more resources. Tier 3B, which requires sophisticated modelling, requires the most resources.

Given the current limited knowledge of CH₄ and N₂O emission factors, more detailed methods will not significantly reduce uncertainties for CH₄ and N₂O emissions. However, if aviation is a *key category*, then it is recommended that Tier 2 or Tier 3 approaches are used, because higher tiers give better differentiation between domestic and international aviation, and will facilitate estimating the effects of changes in technologies (and therefore emission factors) in the future.

The estimates for the cruise phase become more accurate when using Tier 3A methodology or Tier 3B models. Moreover because Tier 3 methods use flight movement data instead of fuel use, they provide a more accurate separation between domestic and international flights. Data may be available from the operators of Tier 3 models (such as SAGE, (Kim, 2005a and b; Malwitz, 2005) and AERO2K (Eyers, 2004). Other methods for differentiating national and international fuel use such as considering LTOs, passenger-kilometer data, a percentage split based on flight timetables (e.g., OAG data, ICAO statistics for tonne-kilometres performed by countries) are shortcuts. The methods may be used if no other methods or data are available.

¹⁶ Movement data refers to, at a minimum, information on the origin and destination, aircraft type, and date of individual flights.

TABLE 3.6.1
SOURCE CATEGORIES

Source category	Coverage
1 A 3 a Civil Aviation	Emissions from international and domestic civil aviation, including take-offs and landings. Comprises civil commercial use of airplanes, including: scheduled and charter traffic for passengers and freight, air taxiing, and general aviation. The international/domestic split should be determined on the basis of departure and landing locations for each flight stage and not by the nationality of the airline. Exclude use of fuel at airports for ground transport which is reported under 1 A 3 e Other Transportation. Also exclude fuel for stationary combustion at airports; report this information under the appropriate stationary combustion category.
1 A 3 a i International aviation (International Bunkers)	Emissions from flights that depart in one country and arrive in a different country. Include take-offs and landings for these flight stages. Emissions from international military aviation can be included as a separate sub-category of international aviation provided that the same definitional distinction is applied and data are available to support the definition.
1 A 3 a ii Domestic Aviation	Emissions from civil domestic passenger and freight traffic that departs and arrives in the same country (commercial, private, agriculture, etc.), including take-offs and landings for these flight stages. Note that this may include journeys of considerable length between two airports in a country (e.g. San Francisco to Honolulu). Exclude military, which should be reported under 1 A 5 b.
1 A 5 b Mobile (<i>aviation component</i>)	All remaining aviation mobile emissions from fuel combustion that are not specified elsewhere. Include emissions from fuel delivered to the country's military not otherwise included separately in 1 A 3 a i as well as fuel delivered within that country but used by the militaries of other countries that are not engaged in multilateral operations.
1.A.5 c Multilateral Operations (<i>aviation component</i>)	Emissions from fuels used for aviation in multilateral operations pursuant to the Charter of the United Nations. Include emissions from fuel delivered to the military in the country and delivered to the military of other countries.

TABLE 3.6.2
DATA REQUIREMENTS FOR DIFFERENT TIERS

Data, both Domestic and International	Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 3A	Tier 3B
Aviation gasoline consumption	X			
Jet Fuel consumption	X	X		
Total LTO				
LTO by aircraft type		X		
Origin and Destination (OD) by aircraft type			X	
Full flight movements with aircraft and engine data				X

Other reasons for choosing to use a higher tier include estimation of emissions jointly with other pollutants (e.g. NO_x) and harmonisation of methods with other inventories. In Tier 2 (and higher) the emissions for the LTO and cruise phases are estimated separately, in order to harmonise with methods that were developed for air pollution programmes that cover only emissions below 914 meters (3000 feet). There may be significant discrepancies between the results of a bottom-up approach and a top-down fuel-based approach for aircraft. An example is presented in Daggett *et al.* (1999).

TIER 1 METHOD

The Tier 1 method is based on an aggregate quantity of fuel consumption data for aviation (LTO and cruise) multiplied by average emission factors. The methane emission factors have been averaged over all flying phases based on the assumption that 10 percent of the fuel is used in the LTO phase of the flight. Emissions are calculated according to Equation 3.6.1:

EQUATION 3.6.1
(AVIATION EQUATION 1)

$$\text{Emissions} = \text{Fuel Consumption} \bullet \text{Emission Factor}$$

Tier 1 method should be used to estimate emissions from aircraft that use aviation gasoline which is only used in small aircraft and generally represents less than 1 percent of fuel consumption from aviation. Tier 1 method is also used for jet-fuelled aviation activities when aircraft operational use data are not available.

Domestic and international emissions are to be estimated separately using the above equation, using one of the methods discussed in section 3.6.1.3 to allocate fuel between the two.

TIER 2 METHOD

Tier 2 method is only applicable for jet fuel use in jet aircraft engines. Operations of aircraft are divided into LTO and cruise phases. To use Tier 2 method, the number of LTO operations must be known for both domestic and international aviation, preferably by aircraft type. In Tier 2 method a distinction is made between emissions below and above 914 m (3000 feet); that is emissions generated during the LTO and cruise phases of flight.

Tier 2 method breaks the calculation of emissions from aviation into the following steps:

1. Estimate the domestic and international fuel consumption totals for aviation.
2. Estimate LTO fuel consumption for domestic and international operations.
3. Estimate the cruise fuel consumption for domestic and international aviation.
4. Estimate emissions from LTO and cruise phases for domestic and international aviation.

Tier 2 approach uses Equations 3.6.2 to 3.6.5 to estimate emissions:

EQUATION 3.6.2
(AVIATION EQUATION 2)

$$\text{Total Emissions} = \text{LTO Emissions} + \text{Cruise Emissions}$$

Where:

EQUATION 3.6.3
(AVIATION EQUATION 3)

$$\text{LTO Emissions} = \text{Number of LTOs} \bullet \text{Emission Factor LTO}$$

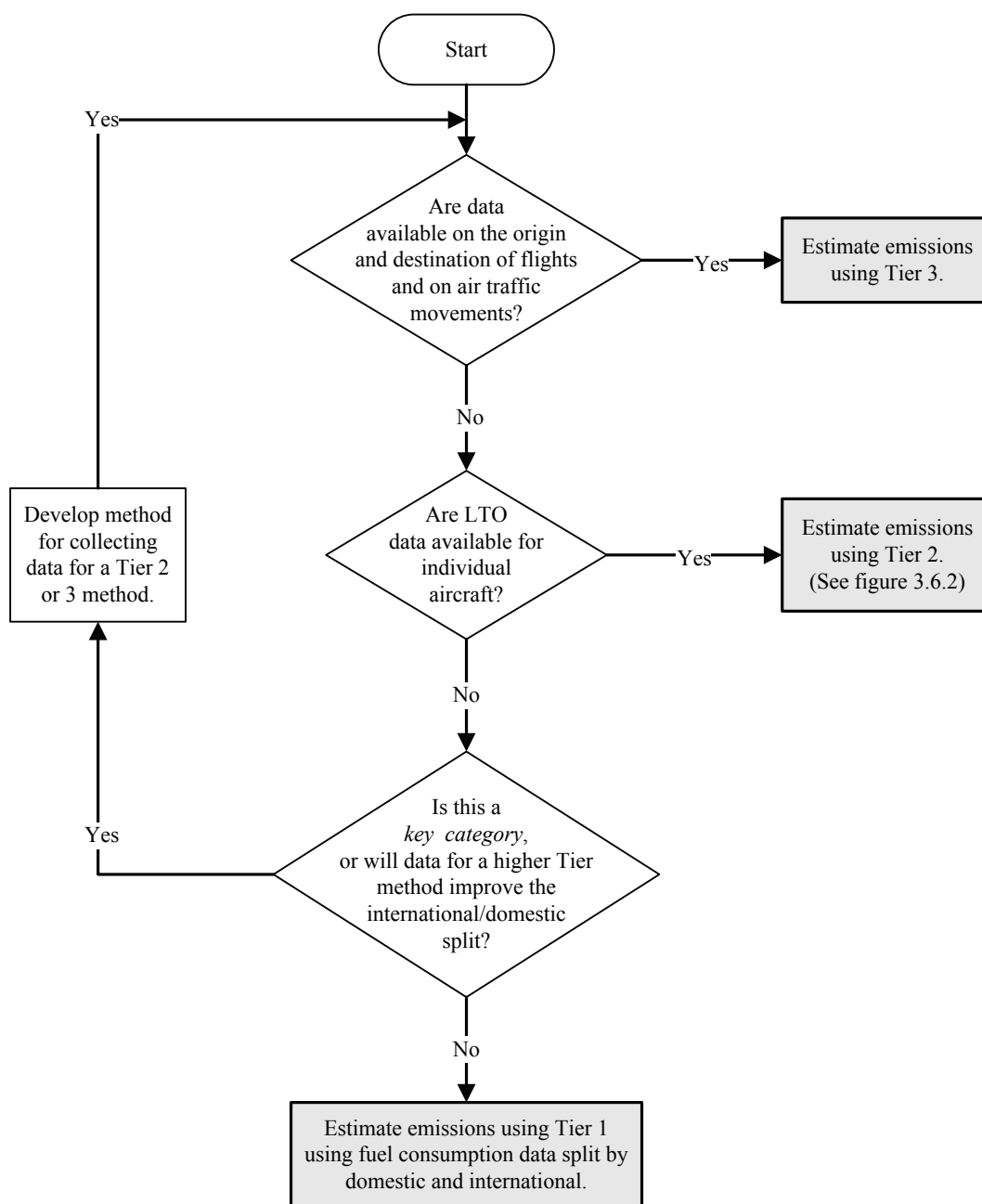
EQUATION 3.6.4
(AVIATION EQUATION 4)

$$\text{LTO Fuel Consumption} = \text{Number of LTOs} \bullet \text{Fuel Consumption per LTO}$$

EQUATION 3.6.5
(AVIATION EQUATION 5)

$$\text{Cruise Emissions} = (\text{Total Fuel Consumption} - \text{LTO Fuel Consumption}) \bullet \text{Emission Factor Cruise}$$

Figure 3.6.1 Decision tree for estimating aircraft emissions (applied to each greenhouse gas)



Note: See Volume 1 Chapter 4, “Methodological Choice and Key Categories” (noting section 4.1.2 on limited resources) for discussion of *key categories* and use of decision trees.

The basis of the recommended Tier 2 methodology is presented schematically in Figure 3.6.2.

In Tier 2 method, the fuel used in the cruise phase is estimated as a residual: total fuel use minus fuel used in the LTO phase of the flight (Equation 3.6.5). Fuel use is estimated for domestic and international aviation separately. The estimated fuel use for cruise is multiplied by aggregate emission factors (average or per aircraft type) in order to estimate the CO₂ and NO_x cruise emissions.¹⁷ Emissions and fuel used in the LTO phase are estimated from statistics on the number of LTOs (aggregate or per aircraft type) and default emission factors or fuel use factors per LTO cycle (average or per aircraft type).

¹⁷ Current scientific understanding does not allow other gases (e.g., N₂O and CH₄) to be included in calculation of cruise emissions. (IPCC,1999).

Tier 2 method considers activity data at the level of individual aircraft types and therefore needs data on the number of domestic LTOs by aircraft type and international LTOs by aircraft type. The estimate should include all aircraft types frequently used for domestic and international aviation. Table 3.6.3 provides a way of mapping actual aircraft to representative aircraft types in the database. Cruise emission factors for emissions other than NO_x are not provided in Tier 2 method; either national emission factors or the tier default emission factors must be used to estimate these cruise emissions.

TIER 3 METHODS

Tier 3 methods are based on actual flight movement data, either: for Tier 3A origin and destination (OD) data or for Tier 3B full flight trajectory information. National Tier 3 approaches can be used if they are well documented and have been reviewed following the guidance provided in Volume 1, Chapter 6 (QA/QC). To facilitate data review, countries that use Tier 3 methodology could separately report emissions for Commercial Scheduled Aviation and Other Jet Fuelled Activities.

Tier 3A takes into account cruise emissions for different flight distances. Details on the origin (departure) and destination (arrival) airports and aircraft type are needed to use Tier 3A, for both domestic and international flights. In Tier 3A, inventories are modelled using average fuel consumption and emissions data for the LTO phase and various cruise phase lengths, for an array of representative aircraft categories.

The data used in Tier 3A methodology takes into account that the amount of emissions generated varies between phases of flight. The methodology also takes into account that fuel burn is related to flight distance, while recognizing that fuel burn can be comparably higher on relatively short distances than on longer routes. This is because aircraft use a higher amount of fuel per distance for the LTO cycle compared to the cruise phase.

The EMEP/CORINAIR Emission inventory guidebook (EEA 2002) provides an example of Tier 3A method for calculating emissions from aircraft. The EMEP/CORINAIR Emission inventory guidebook is continually being refined and is published electronically via the European Environment Agency Internet web site. EMEP/CORINAIR provides tables with emissions per flight distance.

(Note that there are three EMEP/CORINAIR methods for calculating aircraft emissions; but, only the Detailed CORINAIR Methodology equates to Tier 3A.)

Tier 3B methodology is distinguished from Tier 3A by the calculation of fuel burnt and emissions throughout the full trajectory of each flight segment using aircraft and engine-specific aerodynamic performance information. To use Tier 3B, sophisticated computer models are required to address all the equipment, performance and trajectory variables and calculations for all flights in a given year. Models used for Tier 3B level can generally specify output in terms of aircraft, engine, airport, region, and global totals, as well as by latitude, longitude, altitude and time, for fuel burn and emissions of CO, hydrocarbons (HC), CO_2 , H_2O , NO_x , and SO_x . To be used in preparing annual inventory submissions, Tier 3B model must calculate aircraft emissions from input data that take into account air-traffic changes, aircraft equipment changes, or any input-variable scenario. The components of Tier 3B models ideally are incorporated so that they can be readily updated, so that the models are dynamic and can remain current with evolving data and methodologies. Examples of models include the System for assessing Aviation's Global Emissions (SAGE), by the United States Federal Aviation Administration (Kim, 2005 a and b; Malwitz, 2005), and AERO2k, (Eyers, 2004), by the European Commission.

Figure 3.6.2 Estimating aircraft emissions with Tier 2 method

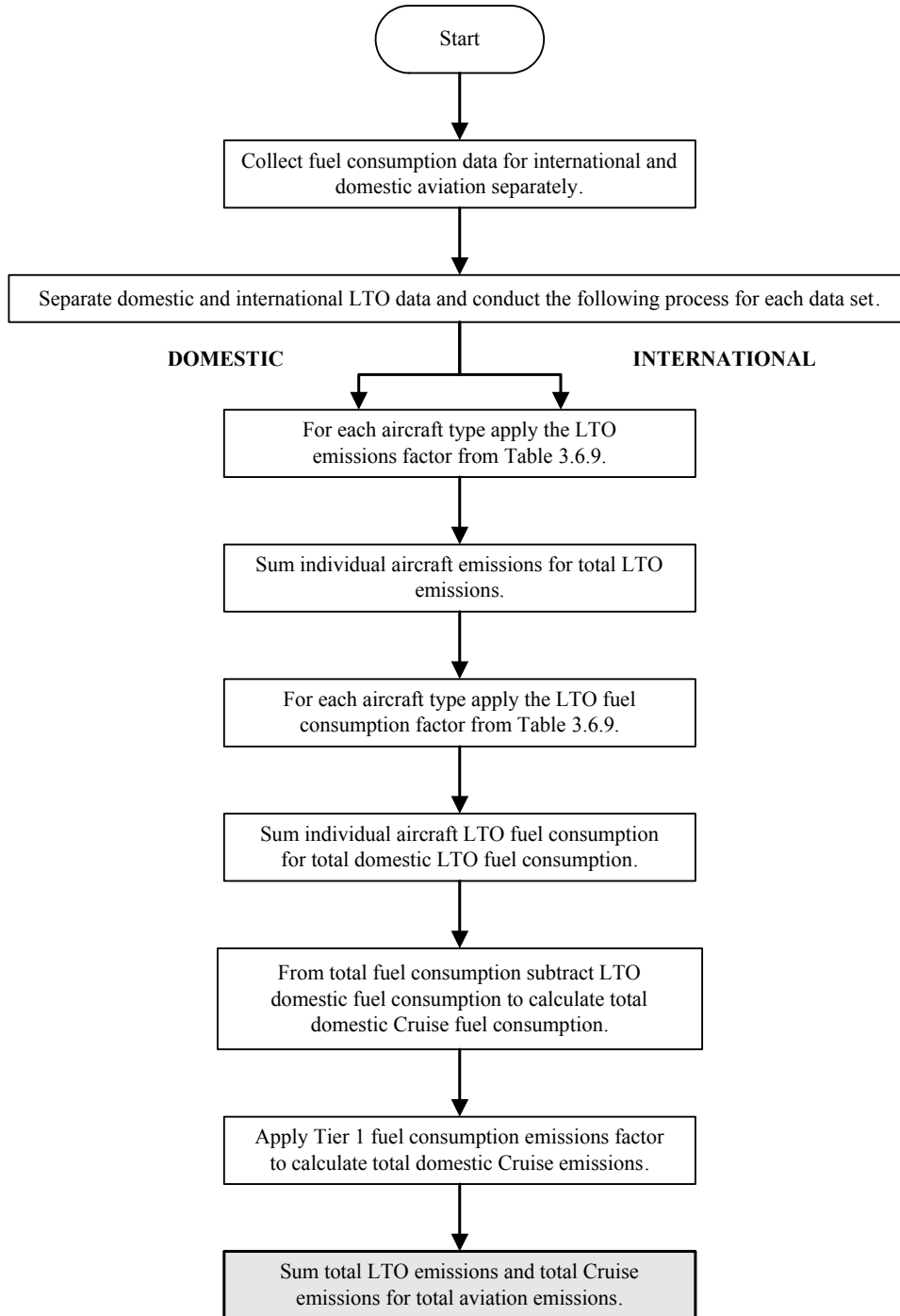


TABLE 3.6.3
CORRESPONDENCE BETWEEN REPRESENTATIVE AIRCRAFT AND OTHER AIRCRAFT TYPES

Generic aircraft type	ICAO	IATA aircraft in group	Generic aircraft type	ICAO	IATA aircraft in group	Generic aircraft type	ICAO	IATA aircraft in group		
Airbus A300	A30B	AB3	Boeing 737-700	B737	73G	Douglas DC-9	DC9	DC9		
	A306	AB4			73W			DC91	D91	
		AB6			738			DC92	D92	
		ABF			73H			DC93	D93	
		ABX			739			DC94	D94	
ABY				D95						
Airbus A310	A310	310	Boeing 747-100	B741	74T	DC95		D9C		
		312		N74S	74L		D9F			
		313		B74R	74R		D9X			
		31F		B74R	74V					
		31X		742		L10				
		31Y		74C		L11				
Airbus A319	A319	319	Boeing 747-200	B742	74X	Lockheed L-1011	L101	L15		
	A318	318						L1F		
Airbus A320	A320	320	Boeing 747-300	B743	743	McDonnell Douglas MD11	MD11	M11		
		32S			74D				M1F	
Airbus A321	A321	321	Boeing 747-400	B744	747	McDonnell Douglas MD80	MD80	M80		
Airbus A330-200	A330	330			744				M81	
	A332	332			74E				M82	
Airbus A330-300	A330	330			74F				M83	
	A333	333			74J				M87	
					74M				M88	
					74Y					
Airbus A340-200	A342	342			Boeing 757-200			B752	757	McDonnell Douglas MD90
Airbus A340-300	A340	340	75F	Tupolev Tu134		T134	TU3			
	A343	343	75M	Tupolev Tu154		T154	TU5			
Airbus A340-500	A345	345	Boeing 757-300	B753	753	Avro RJ85	RJ85	AR8		
Airbus A340-600	A346	346	Boeing 767-200	B762	762	BAe 146	B461	141		
					76X			B462	142	
Boeing 707	B703	703	Boeing 767-300	B763	767	B463	B463	143		
		707			76F			146		
		70F			763			14F		
		70M			76Y			14X		
Boeing 717	B712	717	Boeing 767-400	B764	764			Embraer ERJ145	E145	ER4
Boeing 727-100	B721	721			777					ERJ
		72M	Boeing 777-200	B772	772					
Boeing 727-200	B722	722			Boeing 777-300			B773	773	Fokker 100/70/28
		727	D10	F70		100				
		72C	D11			F21				
		72B	D1C			F22				
		72F	D1F			F23				
		72S	D1M			F24				
Boeing 737-100	B731	731	Douglas DC-10	DC10	D1X		F28			
Boeing 737-200	B732	732			D1Y		B11			
		73M					B12			
		73X					B13			
Boeing 737-300	B733	737			Douglas DC-8	DC85	D8F	BAC 111	BA11	B14
		73F	DC86	D8L			B15			
		733	DC87	D8M						
		73Y		D8Q						
Boeing 737-400	B734	737		D8T		Donier Do 328	D328	D38		
		734		D8X		Gulfstream IV/V		GRJ		
Boeing 737-500	B735	737		D8Y		Yakovlev Yak 42	YK42	YK2		
		735								
Boeing 737-600	B736	736								

3.6.1.2 CHOICE OF EMISSION FACTORS

TIER 1

Carbon dioxide emission factors are based on the fuel type and carbon content. National emission factors for CO₂ should not deviate much from the default values because the quality of jet fuel is well defined. It is *good practice* to use the default CO₂ emission factors in Table 3.6.4 for Tier 1 (see Chapter 1, Introduction, of this Volume and Table 1.4). National carbon content could be used if available. CO₂ should be estimated on the basis of the full carbon content of the fuel.

Fuel	Default (kg/TJ)	Lower	Upper
Aviation Gasoline	70 000	67 500	73 000
Jet Kerosene	71 500	69 800	74 400

Default values for CH₄ and N₂O from aircraft are given in Table 3.6.5. Different types of aircraft/engine combinations have specific emission factors and these factors may also vary according to distance flown. Tier 1 assumes that all aircraft have the same emission factors for CH₄ and N₂O based on the rate of fuel consumption. This assumption has been made because more disaggregated emission factors are not available at this level of aggregation.

Fuel	CH ₄ Default (Uncontrolled) Factors (in kg/TJ)	N ₂ O Default (Uncontrolled) Factors (in kg/TJ)	NO _x Default (Uncontrolled) Factors (in kg/TJ)
All fuels	0.5 ^a (-57%/+100%) ^b	2 (-70%/+150%) ^b	250 ±25% ^c
^a In the cruise mode CH ₄ emissions are assumed to be negligible (Wiesen <i>et al.</i> , 1994). For LTO cycles only (i.e., below an altitude of 914 metres (3000 ft.)) the emission factor is 5 kg/TJ (10% of total VOC factor) (Olivier, 1991). Since globally about 10% of the total fuel is consumed in LTO cycles (Olivier, 1995), the resulting fleet averaged factor is 0.5 kg/TJ. ^b IPCC, 1999. ^c Expert Judgement. Emission factors for other gases (CO and NMVOC) and sulphur content which were included in the 1996 IPCC Guidelines can be found in the EFDB.			

TIER 2

For Tier 2 method, it is *good practice* to use emission factors from Table 3.6.9 (or updates reflected in the EFDB) for the LTO emissions. For cruise calculations only NO_x emissions can be computed directly based on specific emission factors (Table 3.6.10) and N₂O can be computed indirectly from NO_x emissions¹⁸. CO₂ cruise emissions are calculated using Tier 1 CO₂ emission factors (Table 3.6.4). The CH₄ emissions are negligible and are assumed to be zero unless new information becomes available. Note that there is limited information on the emission factors for CH₄ and N₂O from aircraft, and the default values provided in Table 3.6.5 are similar to values found in the literature.

TIER 3

Tier 3A emission factors may be found in the EMEP/CORINAIR emission inventory guidebook, while Tier 3B uses emissions factors contained within the models necessary to employ this methodology. Inventory compilers should check that these emission factors are in fact appropriate.

¹⁸ Countries vary on the method to be used to convert NO_x emissions to N₂O

3.6.1.3 CHOICE OF ACTIVITY DATA

Since emissions from domestic aviation are reported separately from international aviation, it is necessary to disaggregate activity data between domestic and international components. For this purpose, the following definitions should be applied irrespective of the nationality of the carrier (Table 3.6.6). For consistency, it is *good practice* to use similar definitions of domestic and international activities for aviation and water-borne navigation. In some cases, the national energy statistics may not provide data consistent with this definition. It is *good practice* that countries separate the activity data consistent with this definition. In any case, a country must clearly define the methodologies and assumptions used.

Journey type between two airports	Domestic	International
Departs and arrives in same country	Yes	No
Departs from one country and arrives in another	No	Yes

Based on past experience compiling aviation emissions inventories, difficulties have been identified regarding the international/domestic split, in particular obtaining the information on passenger and freight drop-off and pick up at stops in the same country that was required by the *1996 IPCC Guidelines/GPG2000* (Summary report of ICAO/UNFCCC Expert Meeting April 2004). Most flight data are collected on the basis of individual flight segments (from one take-off to the next landing) and do not distinguish between different types of intermediate stops (as called for in *GPG2000*). Basing the distinction on flight segment data (origin/destination) is therefore simpler and is likely to reduce uncertainties. It is very unlikely that this change would make a significant change to the emission estimates.¹⁹ This does not change the way in which emissions from international flights are reported as a memo item and not included in national totals.

Improvements in technology and optimization of airline operating practices have significantly reduced the need for intermediate technical stops. An intermediate technical stop would also not change the definition of a flight as being domestic or international. For example if explicit data is available, countries may define as international flight segments that depart one country with a destination in another country and make an intermediate technical stop. A technical stop is solely for the purpose of refuelling or solving a technical difficulty and not for the purpose of passenger or cargo exchange.

If national energy statistics do not already provide data consistent with this definition, countries should then estimate the split between domestic and international fuel consumption according to the definition, using the approaches set out below.

Top-down data can be obtained from taxation authorities in cases where fuel sold for domestic use is subject to taxation, but that for international use is not taxed. Airports or fuel suppliers may have data on delivery of aviation kerosene and aviation gasoline to domestic and to international flights. In most countries tax and custom dues are levied on fuels for domestic consumption, and fuels for international consumption (bunkers) are free of such dues. In the absence of more direct sources of data, information about domestic taxes may be used to distinguish between domestic and international fuel consumption.

Bottom-up data can be obtained from surveys of airline companies for fuel used on domestic and international flights, or estimates from aircraft movement data and standard tables of fuel consumed or both. Fuel consumption factors for aircraft (fuel used per LTO and per nautical mile cruised) can be used for estimates and may be obtained from the airline companies.

Examples of sources for bottom-up data, including aircraft movement, are:

- Statistical offices or transport ministries as a part of national statistics;
- Airport records;
- ATC (Air Traffic Control) records, for example EUROCONTROL statistics;

¹⁹ It is *good practice* to clearly state the reasoning and justification if any country opts to use the *GPG2000* definitions.

- Air carrier schedules published monthly by OAG which contains worldwide timetable passenger and freight aircraft movements as well as regular scheduled departures of charter operators. It does not contain ad-hoc charter aircraft movements;

Some of these sources do not cover all flights (e.g. charter flights may be excluded). On the other hand, airline timetable data may include duplicate flights due to codeshares between airlines or duplicate flight numbers. Methods have been developed to detect and remove these duplicates. (Baughcum *et al.*, 1996; Sutkus *et al.*, 2001).

The aircraft types listed in Table 3.6.9, LTO Emission Factors were defined based on the assumptions listed below. Aircraft were divided into four major groups to reflect and note the distinct data source for each group:

Large Commercial Aircraft: This includes aircraft that reflect the 2004 operating fleet and some aircraft types for back compatibility, identified by minor model. It was felt that this method would most accurately reflect operational fleet emissions. To minimize table size, some aircraft minor models were grouped when LTO emissions factors were similar. The Large Commercial Aircraft group LTO emissions factors data source is the ICAO Engine Exhaust Emissions Data Bank (ICAO, 2004a).

Regional Jets: This group includes aircraft that are representative of the 2004 operating Regional Jet (RJ) fleet. Representative RJ aircraft were selected based on providing an appropriate range of RJ aircraft with LTO emissions factors available. The RJ group LTO emissions factors data source is the ICAO Engine Exhaust Emissions Data Bank (ICAO, 2004a).

Low Thrust Jets: In some countries, aircraft in the low thrust category (engines with thrust below 26.7 kN) make up a non-trivial number of movements and therefore should be included in inventories. However, aircraft engines in this group are not required to satisfy ICAO engine emissions standards, thus LTO emissions factors data are not included in the ICAO Engine Exhaust Emissions Data Bank and difficult to provide. Therefore, there is one representative aircraft with typical emissions for aircraft in this group. The Low Thrust Jets group LTO emissions factors data source is the FAA's Emissions and Dispersion Modelling System (EDMS) (FAA 2004b).

Turboprops: This group includes aircraft that are representative of the 2004 Turboprop fleet, which can be represented by three typical aircraft size based on engine shaft horsepower. The Turboprop group LTO emissions factors data source is the Swedish Aeronautical Institute (FOI) LTO Emissions Database.

Similar data could be obtained from other sources (e.g. EEA, 2002). The equivalent data for turboprop and piston engine aircraft need to be obtained from other sources. The relationship between actual aircraft and representative aircraft are provided in the Table 3.6.3.

Aircraft Fleet data may be obtained from various sources. ICAO collects fleet data through two of its statistics sub-programmes: the fleet of commercial air carriers, reported by States for their commercial air carriers, and civil aircraft on register, reported by States for the civil aircraft on their register at 31 December (ICAO 2004b).

Some ICAO States do not participate in this data collection, in part because of the difficulty to split the fleet into commercial and non-commercial entities. Because of this, ICAO also makes use of other external sources. One of these sources is the International Register of Civil Aircraft, 2004, published by the Bureau Veritas (France), the CAA (UK) and ENAC (Italy) in cooperation with ICAO. This database contains the information from the civil aircraft registers of some 45 States (including the United States) covering over 450 000 aircraft.

In addition to the above, there are commercial databases of which ICAO also makes use. None of them cover the whole fleet as they have limitations in scope and aircraft size. Among these one can find the BACK Aviation Solutions Fleet Data (fixed wing aircraft over 30 seats), AirClaims CASE database (fixed wing jet and turboprop commercial aircraft), BUCAir, publishers of the JP Airline Fleet (covers both fixed and rotary wing aircraft). Other companies such as AvSoft may also have relevant information. Further information may be obtained from these companies' websites.

3.6.1.4 MILITARY AVIATION

Military activity is defined here as those activities using fuel purchased by or supplied to the military authorities of the country. Emissions from aviation fuel use can be estimated using equation 3.6.1 and the same calculations approach recommended for civilian aviation. Some types of military transport aircraft and helicopters have fuel and emissions characteristics similar to civil types. Therefore default emission factors for civil aircraft should be used for military aviation unless better data are available. Alternatively, fuel use may be estimated from the hours in operation. Default fuel consumption factors for military aircraft are given in Tables 3.6.7 and 3.6.8. For fuel use factors see Section 3.6.1.3 'Choice of activity data'.

Group	Sub- group	Representative type	Fuel flow(kg/hour)
Combat	Fast Jet – High Thrust	F16	3 283
	Fast Jet – Low Thrust	Tiger F-5E	2 100
Trainer	Jet trainers	Hawk	720
	Turboprop trainers	PC-7	120
Tanker/transport	Large tanker/ transport	C-130	2 225
	Small Transport	ATP	499
Other	MPAs Maritime Patrol	C-130	2 225

Sources: Tables 3.1 and 3.2 of Gardner *et. al* 1998 USEPA, 2005)

AIRCRAFT TYPE	Aircraft Description	FUEL USE (LITRES PER HOUR)
A-10A	Twin engine light bomber	2 331
B-1B	Four engine long-range strategic bomber. Used by USA only	13 959
B-52H	Eight engine long-range strategic bomber. Used by USA only.	12 833
C-12J	Twin turboprop light transport. Beech King Air variant.	398
C-130E	Four turboprop transport. Used by many countries.	2 956
C-141B	Four engine long-range transport. Used by USA only	7 849
C-5B	Four engine long-range heavy transport. Used by USA only	13 473
C-9C	Twin engine transport. Military variant of DC-9.	3 745
E-4B	Four engine transport. Military variant of Boeing 747.	17 339
F-15D	Twin engine fighter.	5 825
F-15E	Twin engine fighter-bomber	6 951
F-16C	Single engine fighter. Used by many countries.	3 252
KC-10A	Three engine tanker. Military variant of DC-10	10 002
KC-135E	Four engine tanker. Military variant of Boeing 707.	7 134
KC-135R	Four engine tanker with newer engines. Boeing 707 variant.	6 064
T-37B	Twin engine jet trainer.	694
T-38A	Twin engine jet trainer. Similar to F-5.	262

Military aircraft (transport planes, helicopters and fighters) may not have a civilian analogue, so a more detailed method of data analysis is encouraged where data are available. Inventory compilers should consult military experts to determine the most appropriate emission factors for the country's military aviation.

Due to confidentiality issues (see completeness and reporting), many inventory compilers may have difficulty obtaining data for the quantity of fuel used by the military. Military activity is defined here as those activities using fuel purchased by or supplied to the military authorities in the country. Countries can apply the rules defining civilian, national and international aviation operations to military operations when the data necessary to apply those rules are comparable and available. In this case, the international military emissions may be reported under International Aviation (International Bunkers), but must then be shown separately. Data on military fuel

use should be obtained from government military institutions or fuel suppliers. If data on fuel split are unavailable, all the fuel sold for military activities should be treated as domestic.

Emissions resulting from multilateral operations pursuant to the Charter of the United Nations should not be included in national totals; other emissions related to operations shall be included in the national emissions totals of one or more Parties involved. The national calculations should take into account fuel delivered to the country's military, as well as fuel delivered within that country but used by the military of other countries. Other emissions related to operations (e.g., off-road ground support equipment) shall be included in the national emissions totals in the appropriate source category.

These data should be used with care as national circumstances may vary from those assumed in this table. In particular, distances travelled and fuel consumption may be affected by national route structures, airport congestion and air traffic control practices.

3.6.1.5 COMPLETENESS

Regardless of method, it is important to account for all fuel used for aviation in the country. The methods are based on total fuel use, and should completely cover CO₂ emissions. However, the allocation between LTO and cruise will not be complete for Tier 2 method if the LTO statistics are not complete. Also, Tier 2 method focuses on passenger and freight carrying scheduled and charter flights, and thus not all aviation. In addition, Tier 2 method does not automatically include non-scheduled flights and general aviation such as agricultural airplanes, private jets or helicopters, which should be added if the quantity of fuel is significant. Completeness may also be an issue where military data are confidential; in this situation it is *good practice* to aggregate military fuel use with another source category.

Other aviation-related activities that generate emissions include: fuelling and fuel handling in general, maintenance of aircraft engines and fuel jettisoning to avoid accidents. Also, in the wintertime, anti-ice and de-ice treatment of wings and aircraft is a source of emissions at airport complexes. Many of the materials used in these treatments flow off the wings when planes are idling, taxiing, and taking off, and then evaporate. These emissions are, however, very minor and specific methods to estimate them are not included.

There are additional challenges in distinguishing between domestic and international emissions. As each country's data sources are unique for this category, it is not possible to formulate a general rule regarding how to make an assignment in the absence of clear data. It is *good practice* to specify clearly the assumptions made so that the issue of completeness can be evaluated.

3.6.1.6 DEVELOPING A CONSISTENT TIME SERIES

Volume 1 Chapter 5: Time Series Consistency and Recalculation of the *2006 IPCC Guidelines* provides more information on how to develop emission estimates in cases where the same data sets or methods cannot be used during every year of the time series. If activity data are unavailable for the base year (e.g. 1990) an option may be to extrapolate data to this year by using changes in freight and passenger kilometres, total fuel used or supplied, or the number of LTOs (aircraft movements).

Emissions trends of CH₄ and NO_x (and by inference N₂O) will depend on aircraft engine technology and the change in composition of a country's fleet. This change in fleet composition may have to be accounted for in the future, and this is best accomplished using Tier 2 and Tier 3B methods based on individual aircraft types for 1990 and subsequent years. If fleet composition is not changing, the same set of emission factors should be used for all years.

Every method should be able to reflect accurately the results of mitigation options that lead to changes in fuel use. However, only Tier 2 and 3B methods, based on individual aircraft, can capture the effect of mitigation options that result in lower emission factors.

Tier 2 has been revised to account for NO_x emissions in the climb phase, which are substantially different from those in cruise, and the differences in the amount of NO_x calculated during that phase could be in the range of approximately 15 to 20 percent, due to the thrust/power required in that phase, and its relation with the higher production of NO_x. Special care should be taken to develop a consistent time series if Tier 2 is used.

3.6.1.7 UNCERTAINTY ASSESSMENT

EMISSION FACTORS

The CO₂ emission factors should be within a range of ± 5 percent, as they are dependent only on the carbon content of the fuel and fraction oxidised. However, considerable uncertainty is inherent in the computation of CO₂ based on the uncertainties in activity data discussed below. For Tier 1, the uncertainty of the CH₄ emission factor may range between -57 and +100 percent. The uncertainty of the N₂O emission factor may range between -70 and +150 percent. Moreover, CH₄ and N₂O emission factors vary with technology and using a single emission factor for aviation in general is a considerable simplification.

Information to assist in computing uncertainties associated with LTO emission factors found in Table 3.6.9 can be found in Lister and Norman, 2003; and ICAO, 1993. Information to assist in computing the uncertainties associated with cruise emission factors found in Table 3.6.10 data can be found in: Baughcum *et al*, 1996. Sutkus, *et al*, 2001; Evers *et al*, 2004; Kim, 2005 a and b; Malwitz, 2005. If resources are not available to compute uncertainties, uncertainty bands can be used as defined as default factors in Section 3.6.1.2.

Special attention should be taken with the cruise NO_x emission factors for Tier 2 found in Table 3.6.10. These emission factors, have been updated from the 1996 Guidelines to reflect the fact that climb phase emissions are substantially different from those in cruise. The calculation of the NO_x emission factors is based on two sets of data, one from 1 km to 9 km, and the second from 9 km to 13 km., and the differences in the amount of NO_x calculated during that phase could be in the range of approximately 15 to 20 percent, due to the thrust/power required in that phase, and its relation with the higher production of NO_x. If Tier 2 is used, care should be taken to report a consistent time series (see Section 3.6.1.6 and Volume 1, Chapter 5).

ACTIVITY DATA

The uncertainty in the reporting will be strongly influenced by the accuracy of the data collected on domestic aviation separately from international aviation. With complete survey data, the uncertainty may be very low (less than 5 percent) while for estimates or incomplete surveys the uncertainties may become large, perhaps a factor of two for the domestic share. The uncertainty ranges cited represent an informal polling of experts aiming to approximate the 95 percent confidence interval around the central estimate. The uncertainty will vary widely from country to country and is difficult to generalise. The use of global data sets, supported by radar, may be helpful in this area, and it is expected that reporting will improve for this category in the future.

3.6.2 Inventory Quality Assurance/Quality Control (QA/QC)

It is *good practice* to conduct quality control checks as outlined in Chapter 6 of Volume 1 (Quality Assurance/Quality Control and Verification), Tier 1 General Inventory Level QC Procedures. It is *good practice* to conduct expert review of the emission estimates when using Tier 2 or 3 methods. Additional quality control checks as outlined in Tier 2 procedures in the same chapter and quality assurance procedures may also be applicable, particularly if higher tier methods are used to determine emissions from this source category. Inventory compilers are encouraged to use higher tier QA/QC for *key categories* as identified in Chapter 4 of Volume I.

Specific procedures relevant to this source category are outlined below.

Comparison of emissions using alternative approaches

If higher tier approaches are used, the inventory compiler should compare inventories to estimates with lower tiers. Any anomaly between the emission estimates should be investigated and explained. The results of such comparisons should be recorded for internal documentation.

Review of Emission factors

If national factors are used rather than the default values, directly reference the QC review associated with the publication of the emission factors, and include this review in the QA/QC documentation to ensure that the procedures are consistent with *good practice*. If possible, the inventory compiler should compare the IPCC default values to national factors to provide further indication that the factors are applicable. If emissions from military use were developed using data other than the default factors, the accuracy of the calculations and the applicability and relevance of the data should be checked.

TABLE 3.6.9
LTO EMISSION FACTORS FOR TYPICAL AIRCRAFT

	AIRCRAFT	LTO emissions factors (kg/LTO) ⁽¹²⁾							LTO FUEL CONSUMPTION (kg/LTO)
		CO ₂ ⁽¹¹⁾	CH ₄ ⁽⁷⁾	N ₂ O ⁽⁹⁾	NO _x	CO	NM VOC ⁽⁸⁾	SO ₂ ⁽¹⁰⁾	
Large Commercial Aircraft ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	A300	5450	0.12	0.2	25.86	14.80	1.12	1.72	1720
	A310	4760	0.63	0.2	19.46	28.30	5.67	1.51	1510
	A319	2310	0.06	0.1	8.73	6.35	0.54	0.73	730
	A320	2440	0.06	0.1	9.01	6.19	0.51	0.77	770
	A321	3020	0.14	0.1	16.72	7.55	1.27	0.96	960
	A330-200/300	7050	0.13	0.2	35.57	16.20	1.15	2.23	2230
	A340-200	5890	0.42	0.2	28.31	26.19	3.78	1.86	1860
	A340-300	6380	0.39	0.2	34.81	25.23	3.51	2.02	2020
	A340-500/600	10660	0.01	0.3	64.45	15.31	0.13	3.37	3370
	707	5890	9.75	0.2	10.96	92.37	87.71	1.86	1860
	717	2140	0.01	0.1	6.68	6.78	0.05	0.68	680
	727-100	3970	0.69	0.1	9.23	24.44	6.25	1.26	1260
	727-200	4610	0.81	0.1	11.97	27.16	7.32	1.46	1460
	737-100/200	2740	0.45	0.1	6.74	16.04	4.06	0.87	870
	737-300/400/500	2480	0.08	0.1	7.19	13.03	0.75	0.78	780
	737-600	2280	0.10	0.1	7.66	8.65	0.91	0.72	720
	737-700	2460	0.09	0.1	9.12	8.00	0.78	0.78	780
	737-800/900	2780	0.07	0.1	12.30	7.07	0.65	0.88	880
	747-100	10140	4.84	0.3	49.17	114.59	43.59	3.21	3210
	747-200	11370	1.82	0.4	49.52	79.78	16.41	3.60	3600
	747-300	11080	0.27	0.4	65.00	17.84	2.46	3.51	3510
	747-400	10240	0.22	0.3	42.88	26.72	2.02	3.24	3240
	757-200	4320	0.02	0.1	23.43	8.08	0.20	1.37	1370
	757-300	4630	0.01	0.1	17.85	11.62	0.10	1.46	1460
	767-200	4620	0.33	0.1	23.76	14.80	2.99	1.46	1460
	767-300	5610	0.12	0.2	28.19	14.47	1.07	1.77	1780
	767-400	5520	0.10	0.2	24.80	12.37	0.88	1.75	1750
	777-200/300	8100	0.07	0.3	52.81	12.76	0.59	2.56	2560
	DC-10	7290	0.24	0.2	35.65	20.59	2.13	2.31	2310
	DC-8-50/60/70	5360	0.15	0.2	15.62	26.31	1.36	1.70	1700
DC-9	2650	0.46	0.1	6.16	16.29	4.17	0.84	840	
L-1011	7300	7.40	0.2	31.64	103.33	66.56	2.31	2310	

TABLE 3.6.9 (CONTINUED)									
LTO EMISSION FACTORS FOR TYPICAL AIRCRAFT									
	AIRCRAFT	LTO emissions factors (kg/LTO) ⁽¹²⁾							LTO FUEL CONSUMPTION (KG/LTO)
		CO ₂ ⁽¹¹⁾	CH ₄ ⁽⁷⁾	N ₂ O ⁽⁹⁾	NO _x	CO	NM VOC ⁽⁸⁾	SO ₂ ⁽¹⁰⁾	
	MD-11	7290	0.24	0.2	35.65	20.59	2.13	2.31	2310
	MD-80	3180	0.19	0.1	11.97	6.46	1.69	1.01	1010
	MD-90	2760	0.01	0.1	10.76	5.53	0.06	0.87	870
	TU-134	2930	1.80	0.1	8.68	27.98	16.19	0.93	930
	TU-154-M	5960	1.32	0.2	12.00	82.88	11.85	1.89	1890
	TU-154-B	7030	11.90	0.2	14.33	143.05	107.13	2.22	2230
Regional Jets	RJ-RJ85	1910	0.13	0.1	4.34	11.21	1.21	0.60	600
	BAE 146	1800	0.14	0.1	4.07	11.18	1.27	0.57	570
	CRJ-100ER	1060	0.06	0.03	2.27	6.70	0.56	0.33	330
	ERJ-145	990	0.06	0.03	2.69	6.18	0.50	0.31	310
	Fokker 100/70/28	2390	0.14	0.1	5.75	13.84	1.29	0.76	760
	BAC111	2520	0.15	0.1	7.40	13.07	1.36	0.80	800
	Dornier 328 Jet	870	0.06	0.03	2.99	5.35	0.52	0.27	280
	Gulfstream IV	2160	0.14	0.1	5.63	8.88	1.23	0.68	680
	Gulfstream V	1890	0.03	0.1	5.58	8.42	0.28	0.60	600
	Yak-42M	2880	0.25	0.1	10.66	10.22	2.27	0.91	910
Jets ⁽³⁾ (Fn)	Cessna 525/560	1070	0.33	0.03	0.74	34.07	3.01	0.34	340
Turboprops ⁴	Beech King Air ⁽⁵⁾	230	0.06	0.01	0.30	2.97	0.58	0.07	70
	DHC8-100 ⁽⁶⁾	640	0.00	0.02	1.51	2.24	0.00	0.20	200
	ATR72-500 ⁽⁷⁾	620	0.03	0.02	1.82	2.33	0.26	0.20	200

Notes:

- (1) ICAO Engine Exhaust Emissions Data Bank (ICAO, 2004) based on average measured data. Emissions factors apply to LTO (Landing and Take off) only.
- (2) Engine types for each aircraft were selected on a consistent basis of the engine with the most LTOs. This approach, for some engine types, may underestimate (or overestimate) fleet emissions which are not directly related to fuel consumption (eg NO_x, CO, HC).
- (2) Emissions and Dispersion Modelling System (EDMS) (FAA 2004b)
- (4) FOI (The Swedish Defence Research Agency) Turboprop LTO Emissions database
- (5) Representative of Turboprop aircraft with shaft horsepower of up to 1000 shp/engine
- (6) Representative of Turboprop aircraft with shaft horsepower of 1000 to 2000 shp/engine
- (7) Representative of Turboprop aircraft with shaft horsepower of more than 2000 shp/engine
- (8) Assuming 10% of total VOC emissions in LTO cycles are methane emissions (Olivier, 1991) (as in the *1996 IPCC Guidelines*).
- (9) Estimates based on Tier I default values (EF ID 11053) (as in the *1996 IPCC Guidelines*).
- (10) The sulphur content of the fuel is assumed to be 0.05% (as in the *1996 IPCC Guidelines*).
- (11) CO₂ for each aircraft based on 3.16 kg CO₂ produced for each kg fuel used, then rounded to the nearest 10 kg.
- (12) Information regarding the uncertainties associated with this data can be found in: Lister and Norman, 2003; ICAO, 1993.

Table prepared in 2005 updates will be available in the Emission Factor Data Base.

TABLE 3.6.10
NO_x EMISSION FACTORS FOR VARIOUS AIRCRAFT AT CRUISE LEVELS

	Aircraft	NO _x Emission Factor (g/kg) ^{(1) (5)}
Large Commercial Aircraft	A300	14.8
	A310	12.2
	A319	11.6
	A320	12.9
	A321	16.1
	A330-200/300	13.8
	A340-200	14.5
	A340-300	14.6
	A340-500/600	13.0 ⁽²⁾
	707	5.9
	717	11.5 ⁽³⁾
	727-100	8.7
	727-200	9.5
	737-100/200	8.7
	737-300/400/500	11.0
	737-600	12.8
	737-700	12.4
	737-800/900	14.0
	747-100	15.5
	747-200	12.8
	747-300	15.2
	747-400	12.4
	757-200	11.8
	757-300	9.8 ⁽³⁾
	767-200	13.3
	767-300	14.3
	767-400	13.7 ⁽³⁾
	777-200/300	14.1
	DC-10	13.9
	DC-8-50/60/70	10.8
	DC-9	9.1
	L-1011	15.7
MD-11	13.2	
MD-80	12.4	
MD-90	14.2	
TU-134	8.5	
TU-154-M	9.1	
TU-154-B	9.1	
Regional Jets	RJ-RJ85	15.6
	BAE 146	8.4
	CRJ-100ER	8.0
	ERJ-145	7.9
	Fokker 100/70/28	8.4
	BAC111	12.0
	Dornier 328 Jet	14.8 ⁽²⁾
	Gulfstream IV	8.0 ⁽²⁾
	Gulfstream V	9.5 ⁽²⁾
	Yak-42M	15.6 ⁽⁴⁾
Low Thrust Jets (Fn < 26.7 kN)	Cessna 525/560	7.2 ⁽⁴⁾
Turboprops	Beech King Air	8.5
	DHC8-100	12.8
	ATR72-500	14.2

Notes:

- (1) Sutkus *et al* 2001, Unless otherwise noted.
- (2) Data from SAGE model Kim, 2005 a and b; Malwitz, 2005
- (3) Sutkus, Baughcum, DuBois, 2003
- (4) Average of the data from SAGE (Kim, 2005 a and b; Malwitz, 2005) and AERO2k (Eyers *et al*, 2004)
- (5) Information to assist in computing uncertainties can be found in: Baughcum *et al*, 1996; Sutkus, *et al*, 2001; Eyers *et al*, 2004; Kim, 2005 a and b; Malwitz, 2005.

Activity data check

The source of the activity data should be reviewed to ensure applicability and relevance to the source category. Where possible, the inventory compiler should compare current data to historical activity data or model outputs to look for anomalies. In preparing the inventory estimates, the inventory compiler should ensure the reliability of the activity data used to differentiate emissions between domestic and international aviation.

Data can be checked with productivity indicators such as fuel per unit of traffic performance (per passenger km or ton km). Where data from different countries are being compared, the band of data should be small. The European Environmental Agency provides a useful dataset²⁰ which presents emissions and passenger/freight volume for each transportation mode for Europe. For example, Norway estimates that for domestic aviation, emissions are 0.22 kg CO₂/passenger-km. However, note that the global fleet includes many small aircraft with relatively low energy efficiency. The U.S. Department of Transportation estimates an average energy intensity for the U.S. fleet of 3666 Btu/passenger mile (2403 kJ/passenger km). The International Air Transport Association estimates that the average aircraft consumes 3.5 litres of jet fuel per 100 passenger-km (67 passenger miles per U.S. gallon).

Reliance on scheduled operations for activity data may introduce higher uncertainties than simple reliance on fuel use for CO₂. However, fuel loss and use of jet fuel for other activities will result in over estimates of aviation's contributions.

External review

The inventory compiler should perform an independent, objective review of calculations, assumptions or documentation of the emissions inventory to assess the effectiveness of the QC programme. The review should be performed by expert(s) (e.g. aviation authorities, airline companies, and military staff) who are familiar with the source category and who understand inventory requirements.

3.6.3 Reporting and Documentation

It is *good practice* to document and archive all information required to produce the national emissions inventory estimates as outlined in Chapter 8 of Volume 1 of the *2006 IPCC Guidelines*. Some examples of specific documentation and reporting relevant to this source category are provided below.

Inventory compilers are required to report emissions from international aviation separately from domestic aviation, and exclude international aviation from national totals. It is expected that all countries have aviation activity and should therefore report emissions from this category. Though countries covering small areas might not have domestic aviation, emissions from international aviation should be reported. Inventory compilers should explain how the definition for international and domestic in the guidelines has been applied.

Transparency would be improved if inventory compilers provide data on emissions from LTO separately from cruise operations. Emissions from military aviation should be clearly specified, so as to improve the transparency on national greenhouse gas inventories. In addition to the numerical information reported in the standard tables, provision of the following data would increase transparency:

- Sources of fuel data and other essential data (e.g. fuel consumption factors) depending on the method used;
- The number of flight movements split between domestic and international;
- Emission factors used, if different from default values. Data sources should be referenced.
- If Tier 3 method is used, emissions data could be provided separately for Commercial Scheduled Aviation and Other Jet Fuelled Activities.

Confidentiality may be a problem if only one or two airline companies operate domestic transport in a given country. Confidentiality may also be a problem for reporting military aviation in a transparent manner.

3.6.4 Reporting tables and worksheets

The four pages of the worksheets (Annex 1) for the Tier 1 Sectoral Approach are to be filled in for each of the source categories in Table 3.6.1. The reporting tables are available in Volume 1, Chapter 8.

²⁰ See http://air-climate.eionet.eu.int/databases/TRENDS/TRENDS_EU15_data_Sep03.xls

3.6.5 Definitions of specialist terms

Aviation Gasoline - A fuel used only in small piston engine aircraft, and which generally represents less than 1% of fuel used in aviation

Climb - The part of a flight of an aircraft, after take off and above 914 meters (3000 feet) above ground level, consisting of getting an aircraft to the desired cruising altitude.

Commercial scheduled - All commercial aircraft operations that have publicly available schedules (e.g., the Official Airline Guide, OAG 2006), which would primarily include passenger services. Activities that do not operate with publicly available schedules are not included in this definition, such as non-scheduled cargo, charter, air-taxi and emergency response operations. Note: *Commercial Scheduled Aviation* is used as a subset of jet fuel powered aviation operations.

Cruise - All aircraft activities that take place at altitudes above 914 meters (3000 feet), including any additional climb or descent operations above this altitude. No upper limit is given.

Gas Turbine Engines - Rotary engines that extract energy from a flow of combustion gas. Energy is added to the gas stream in the combustor, where air is mixed with fuel and ignited. Combustion increases the temperature and volume of the gas flow. This is directed through a nozzle over a turbine's blades, spinning the turbine and powering a compressor. For an aircraft, energy is extracted either in the form of thrust or through a turbine driving a fan or propeller.

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