

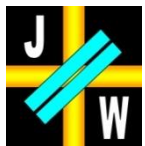
# Influence of Waste Fuels on the Heat Consumption and on the CO<sub>2</sub> Emission (Situation in Germany)



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# Heat Consumption

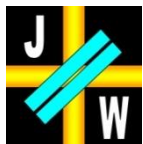


# Theoretical Heat for Clinker Formation

Reaction	Heat [MJ/kg Clinker]
Evaporation of residual Formation of Oxides (Calcination)	+ 2.215
Formation of Intermediates «CA»; «C <sub>2</sub> F»; «β-C <sub>2</sub> S»	- 0.505
Sintering Reaction Formation of «C <sub>4</sub> AF», «C <sub>3</sub> A», «C <sub>3</sub> S»	+0.040
<b>Overall Reaction</b>	<b>+ 1'750</b>

Spelling cement

C : CaO    A: Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>    F: Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>    S: SiO<sub>2</sub>

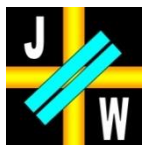


# Heat Consumption of a modern Kiln

- A modern kiln system with precalcination, which is operated with coal, has about the following heat losses.

Reaction	Heat Loss [MJ/kg Clinker]
Radiation of Preheater	0.05 – 0.10
Radiation Rotary Kiln	0.20 – 0.25
Clinker Cooler	
- Heat of Clinker	0.05 – 0.15
- Exhaust air	0.40 – 0.50
Conditioning tower, raw mill, exhaust gas	0.60 – 0.80
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1.30 – 1.80</b>

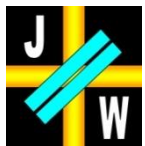
- Therefore such a kiln would have a heat consumption between **3.0 and 3.5 [MJ / kg clinker]**.



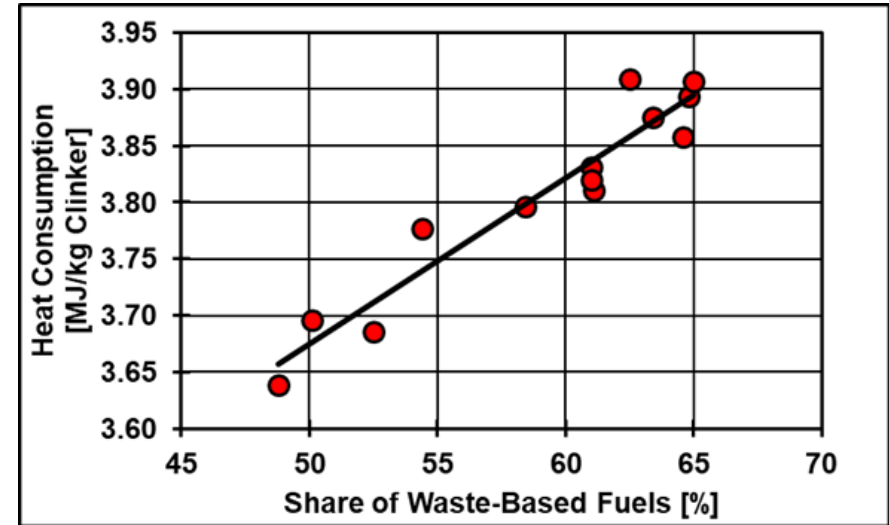
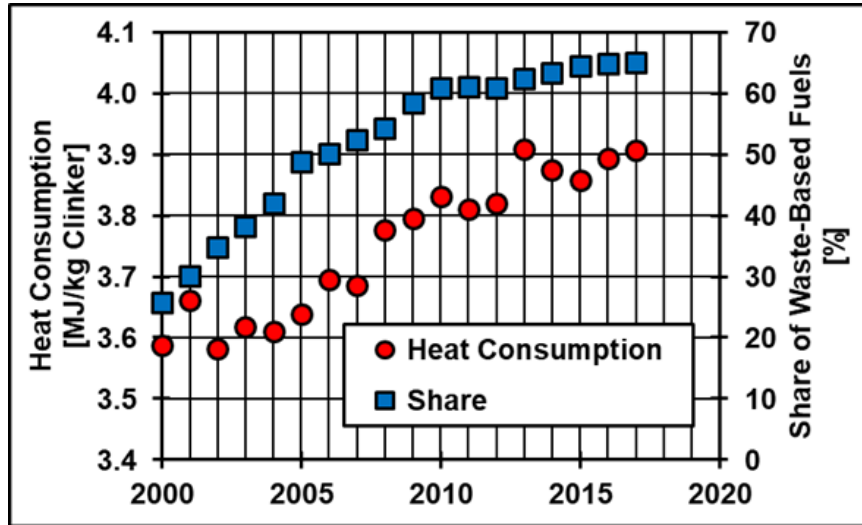
# German Cement Kilns (2017)

- The average heat consumption of the German cement kilns is higher than the heat requirement of an optimal modern kiln. (2017: 3.91 [MJ/kg Clinker])
- Different German kilns do not yet have the assumed standard of a modern pre-calcined kilns. For example, they have no pre-calcination, only four heat exchanger stages, etc. In addition, there is still a factory that uses Lepol kilns with higher heat demand.

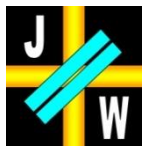
**An important influence on the heat consumption is the use of waste!**



# Heat Consumption between 2005 and 2017

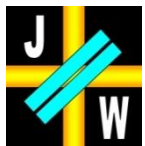


- **Increase of heat consumption increasing proportion of waste fuels.**
- Waste fuels have on average a significantly lower calorific value than fossil fuels. This is a consequence of a higher ash content, higher humidity, etc. In addition, parts of these fuels have to be blown into the kiln system with additional air.



# Carbon Dioxide

## CO<sub>2</sub>





# EU System and Commitment with Authorities

- **Commitment with the German Authorities:**

The commitment of the cement industry included indirect emissions from electrical energy consumption. The CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from waste fuels were here not taken into account as they replace fossil fuels and thus lead to a reduction of CO<sub>2</sub> elsewhere.

The raw material-related CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from the calcination of the limestone are not subject to the commitment of the cement industry, but are also reported as part of the monitoring.

- **European Union:**

On 01.01.2005 a trading system for CO<sub>2</sub> emissions was introduced in the EU. Emissions trading covers the direct CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from the combustion of all fuels (excluding biogenic components) and the calcination of the limestone.

- **2 different Reporting Systems:**

Since the emissions trading continues to refer only to the clinker burning process, but the commitment to the entire cement production, different emission levels result in the corresponding reporting systems.



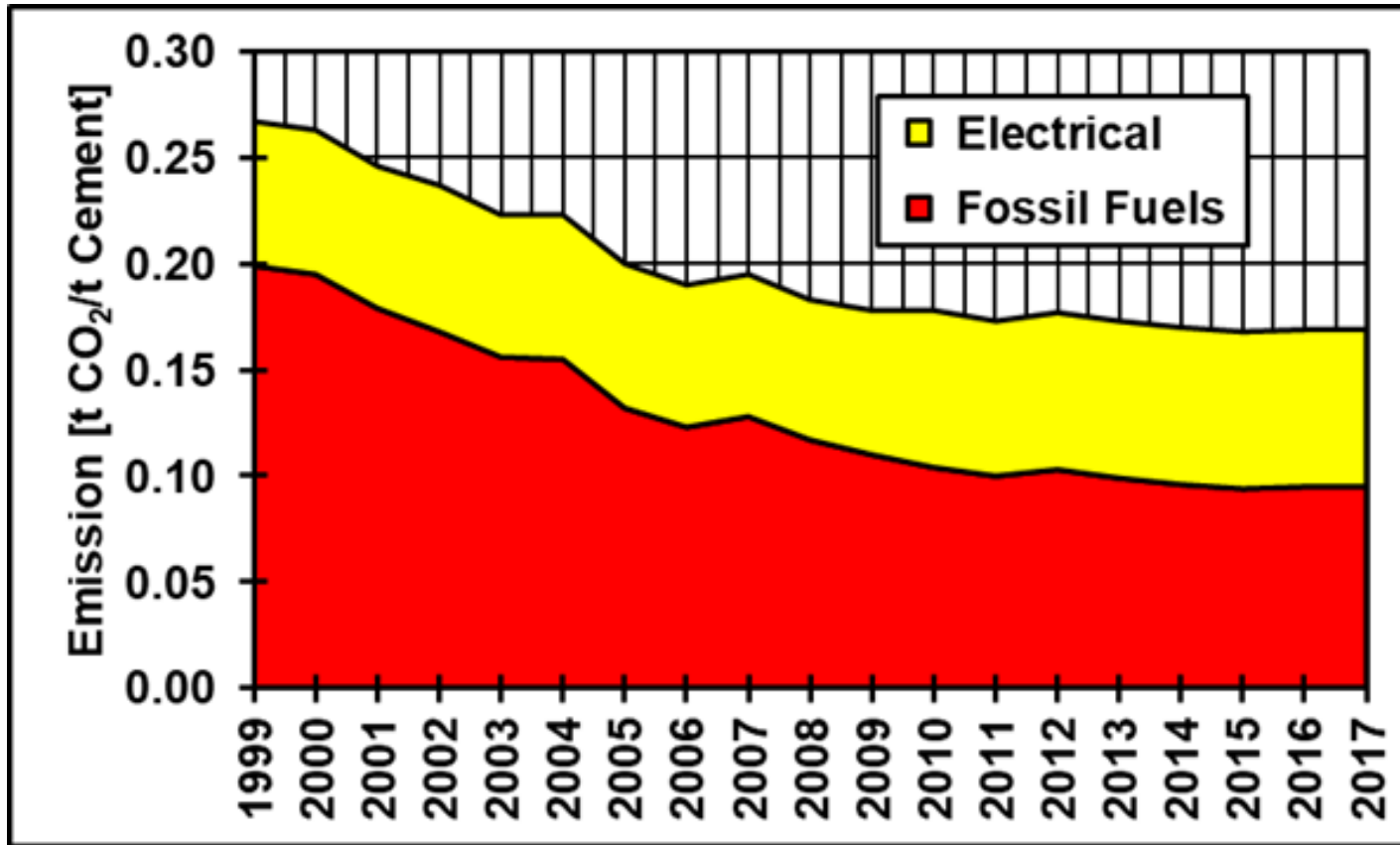




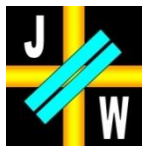
## Calculation of CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions according to the Commitment with the Authorities



# CO<sub>2</sub>-Emission - Official Values



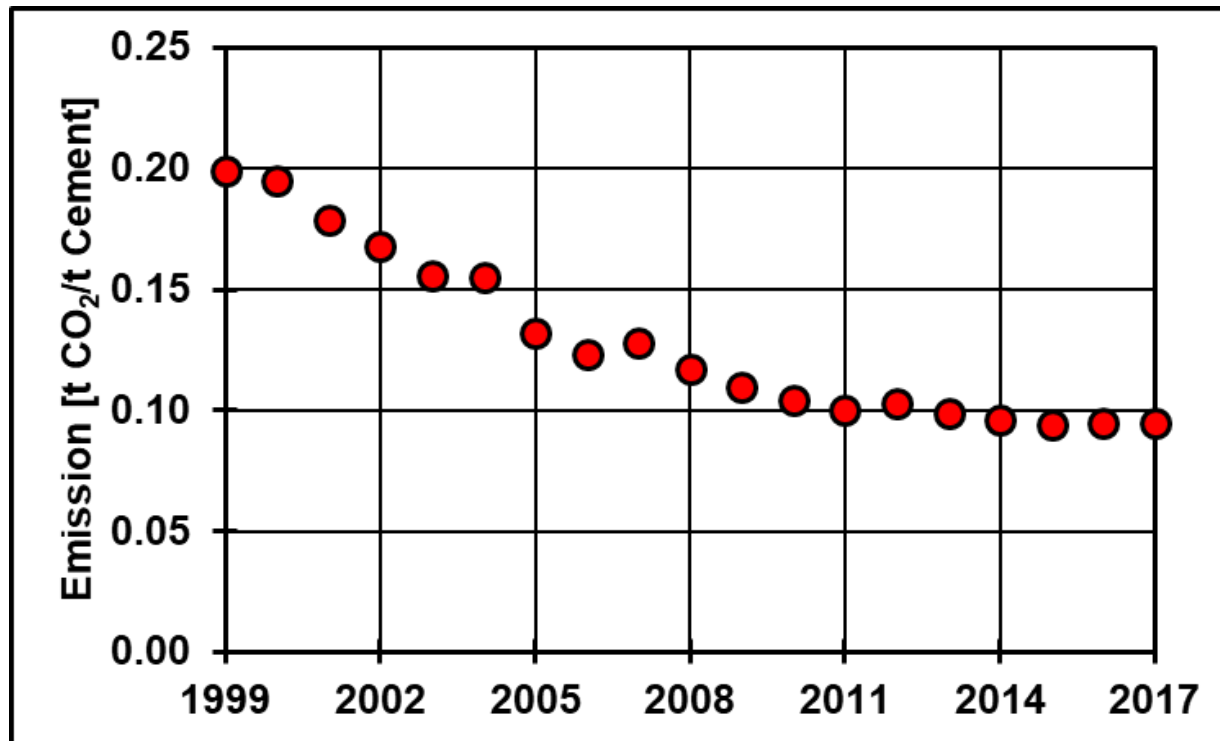
**Remark: The emission of fuels covers only the emission of the fossil fuels**



# CO<sub>2</sub>-Emission and Reduction via Fuels

## Fossil fuels (mainly coal) replaced by waste fuels

Used tires, waste oil, fractions from industry/trade (Pulp/paper/cardboard, packaging, waste from textile industries, ...), animal meal and fat, fractions from municipal waste, wood, solvent, sewage sludge, oil sludge, distillation residues, ...



# Reduction acc. Commitment

The first commitment was completed in 1995.

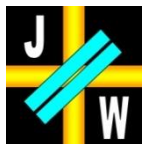
- Reduction of fuel specific energy demand from 1987 to 2005 by 20 [%]. → Fulfilled

Further development in November 2000:

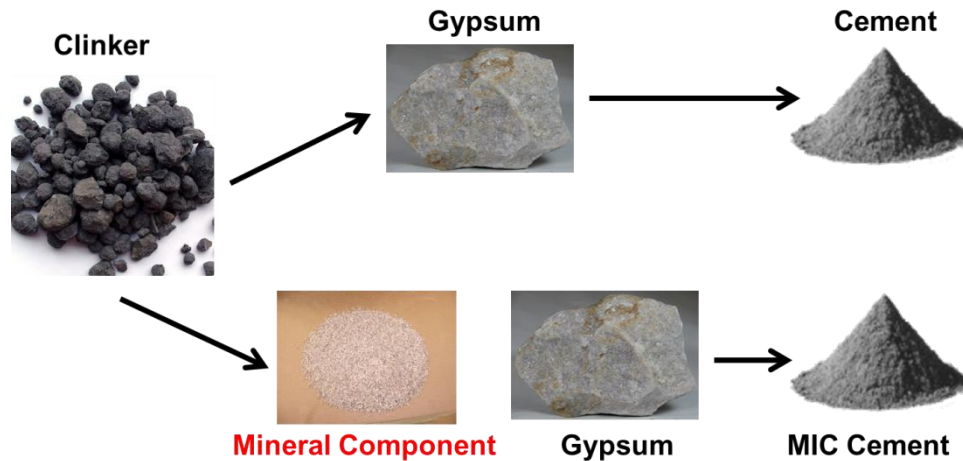
- Reduction of energy-related specific CO<sub>2</sub> emissions (fuels and electricity) by 28% between 1990 and 2008/2012. → Fulfilled

Further commitments: unknown

- Problem: In recent years, energy-related CO<sub>2</sub> emissions have remained more or less constant



# Reduction via Mineral Components

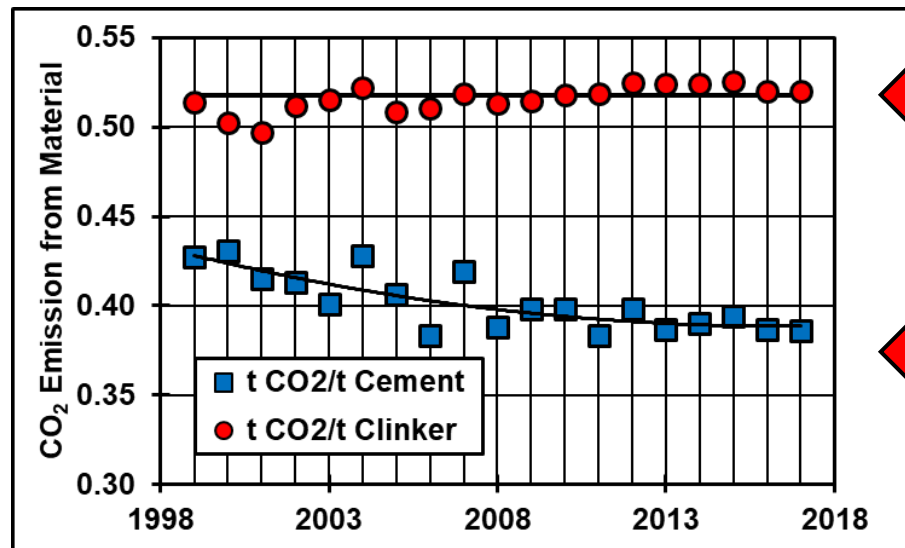


**1:** Clinker or Ordinary Portland Cement  
(Gypsum < 5 [%])  
0.52 [tCO<sub>2</sub>/tClinker]

**2:** Cement with Mineral Components

## Reduction of CO<sub>2</sub>-emission per ton of cement by adding mineral components

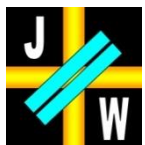
e.g. blast furnace slag, fly ash, silica fume, natural Pozzolan, limestone, ...



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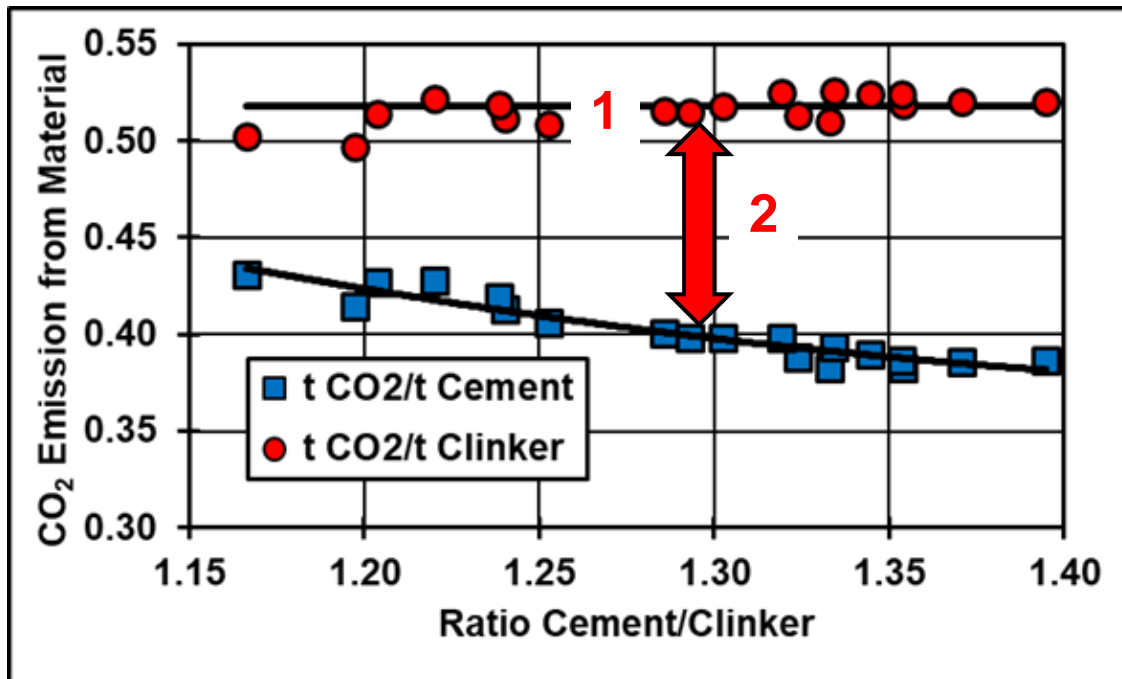
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Influence of fuels not considered

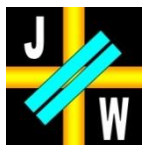


# Reduction via Mineral Components

1. Emission from the Calcination of the Raw Material  
 $\text{CaCO}_3 \rightarrow \text{CaO} + \text{CO}_2 \rightarrow 0.52 \text{ [kg CO}_2\text{/ kg Clinker]}$
2. Addition of mineral components to clinker  $\rightarrow$  MIC cements (composite cements)  $\rightarrow$  **Material without CO<sub>2</sub> emission**

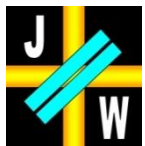


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## Calculation of CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions according to the European Trading System





# Definition: Biogenic Fraction of CO<sub>2</sub>

For the EU cement plants (including EEA), on 21 June 2012, Regulation No 601/2012 was adopted.

Article 3 of that regulation defines the terms «fossil» and «biomass» fraction

- The fossil fraction is the ratio of fossil carbon to the total carbon of a fuel or material expressed as a fraction.
- The biomass fraction (or biogenic fraction) is the ratio of the biomass-derived carbon of a fuel or material, expressed as a fraction.

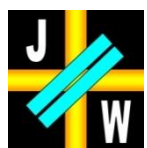


73 [%] Fossil → Fossil CO<sub>2</sub> → Climate relevant

27 [%] Biogenic → Biogenic CO<sub>2</sub> → Not climate relevant  
(natural rubber, fibers, ...)

# Biogenic Fraction of a Waste Fuels

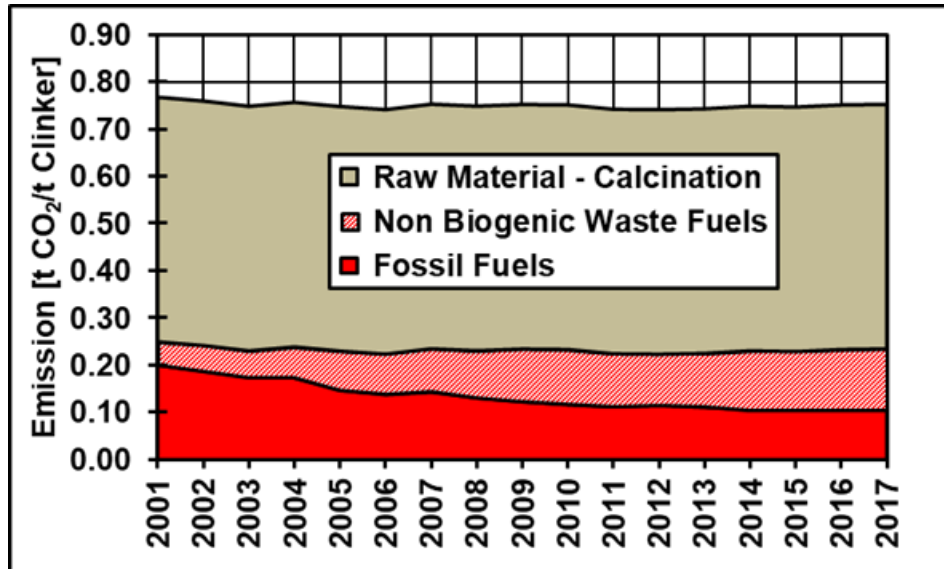
	Emission Factor [kg CO <sub>2</sub> /TJ]	Biogenic [%]
Used tires	97.3	27
Waste oil	78.7	0
Fraction from industry/trade		
- Pulp/paper/cardboard	64.9	91
- Plastic	83.5	0
- Packaging	56.9	40
- Waste from textile industries	63.3	70
- Other	68.1	0
Animal meal and fat	74.9	100
Fractions from municipal waste	59.8	55
Old wood	95.1	100
Solvent	71.1	0
Fuller's earth		
Sewage sludge	95.1	100
Miscellaneous		
- Oil sludge, distillation residues	84.0	0



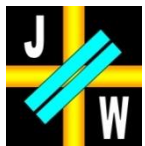
# Non Biogenic CO<sub>2</sub> Emission

The non-biogenic, climate-relevant CO<sub>2</sub> emission remains since 2001 approximately constant

- Clinker production did not change significantly from 2001 to 2017 (Average: 24.5 [Mio.t], Maximum: 27.0 [Mio.t]; Minimum: 23.0 [Mio.t] )
- Calcination: 0.52 [t CO<sub>2</sub>/t Clinker] (constant)
- Fossil fuels (coal, oil) partly replaced by waste fuels

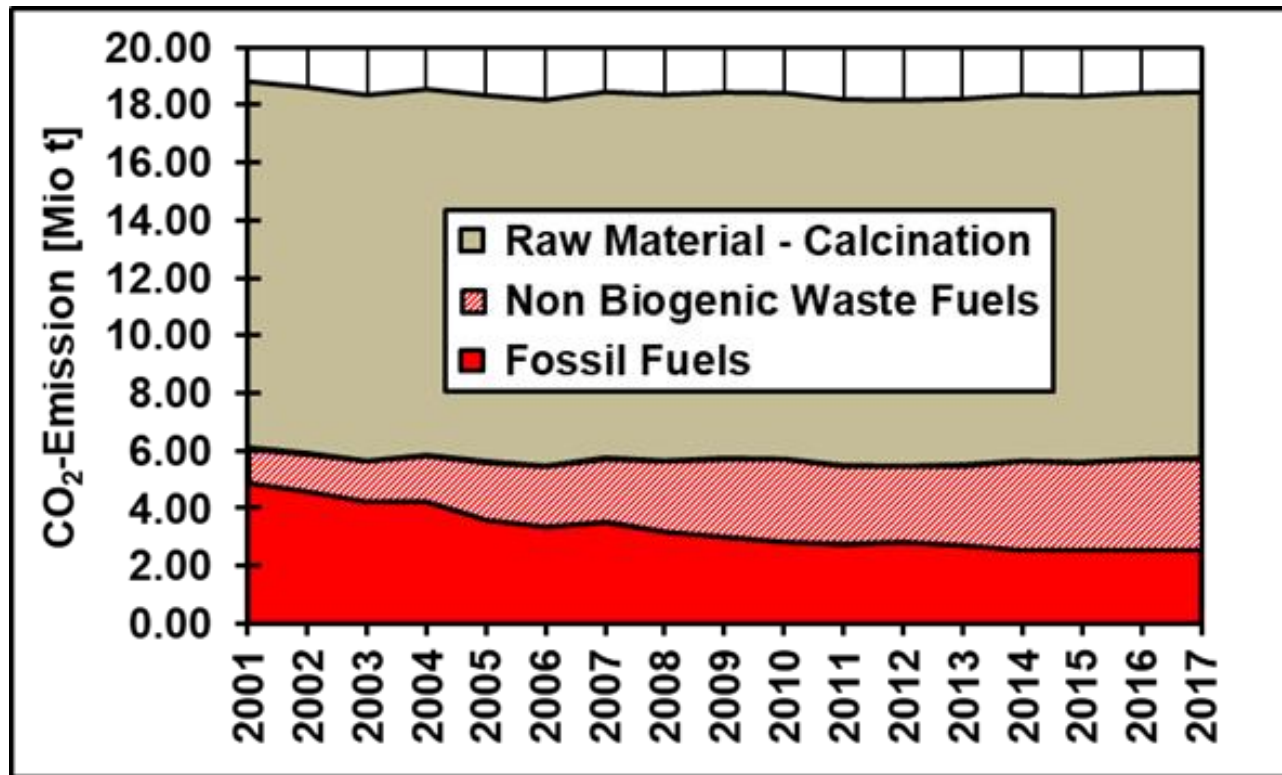


- Combustion of all fuels (excluding biogenic components)
- Calcination of the limestone.



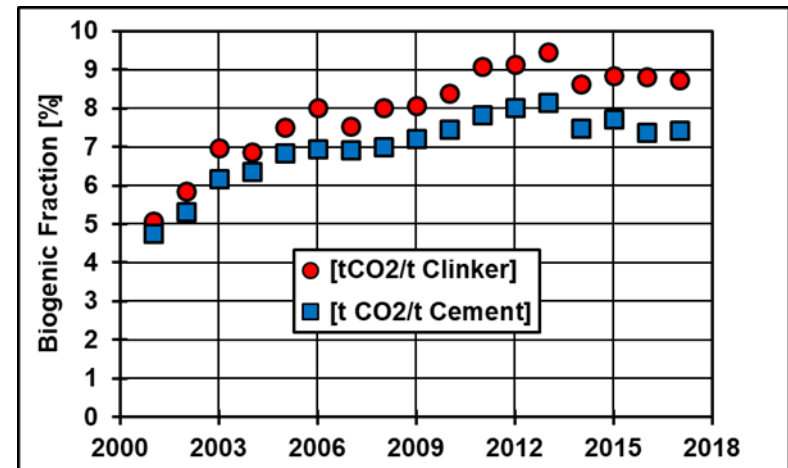
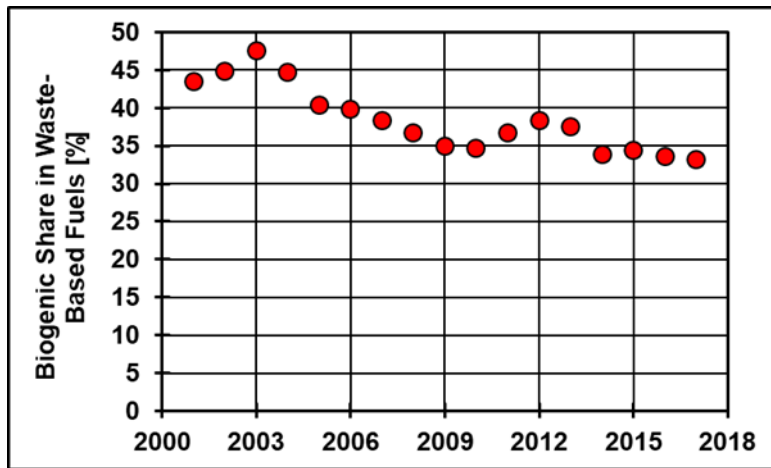
# Non Biogenic CO<sub>2</sub> Emission – Absolute Values

Emissions trading covers the direct CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from the combustion of all fuels (excluding biogenic components) and the calcination of the limestone.



# Biogenic Fractions

Biogenic fraction related to the fuel emission or to the total emission



Biogenic fraction of the emission related to clinker or to cement production



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