1) Key takeaways
- In 2021, GHG emissions in Poland were 2.7% above 2019 pre-pandemic levels.
- Over the same period, ETS and Effor Sharing emissions increased by 4.2% and by 0.3%, respectively.
- Net GHG emissions (i.e. including LULUCF) in 2021 were 20.1% lower than 1990 levels.
- The LULUCF sector removed 2.05 MtCO2-eq on average per year from 2013 to 2020, based on accounting.

2) Greenhouse gas emissions
In 2021, approximated domestic greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions in Poland were 401.3 MtCO2-eq, 6.7% higher compared to 2020 and 2.7% above pre-pandemic levels. Overall, net domestic emissions, including the Land Use, Land Use Change and Forestry (LULUCF) sector, were 20.1% lower than 1990 levels.

3) Greenhouse gas emissions by sector
- Energy
- Industry
- Transport
- Buildings
- Agriculture
- Waste
- LULUCF

Note: GHG emissions and removals for 1990-2020 are based on data submitted by EU Member States to the UNFCCC under Regulation (EU) No 525/2013. Figures may change following resubmissions. GHG emissions for 2021 are based on approximated GHG inventories.

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In 2021, the highest contribution to net GHG emissions in Poland came from the Energy sector (43%), followed by the Transport sector (19%) and the Buildings sector (16%). Emissions from sectors under the Effort Sharing Regulation (ESR) were 52% compared to 62% for the EU as a whole (see shares in the charts below).

4) Emissions under the EU Emissions Trading System (ETS)

In 2021, stationary installations (e.g. power generation and manufacturing industry) in Poland emitted 191.5 million tonnes of CO2-eq emissions (equal to 48% of Poland’s total GHG emissions). This is 11.5% higher compared to 2020 and 4.2% above pre-pandemic levels. By 2021, emissions from stationary installations were down by 6.9% against 2013 level (i.e. -13.5% to 2005 levels). Aviation emissions covered by the EU ETS were 16.0% higher compared to 2020 but 54.6% below 2019 level.

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5) Emissions in Effort Sharing sectors

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Note: (1) Verified emissions based on annual inventory review under the Effort Sharing Decision (ESD). (2) Projections as reported by Member States under Reg. (EU) 2018/1999, compiled and checked by the EEA. (3) ESR base-year emissions and targets have been approximately converted into GWP AR4 for comparability. For these reasons, the distances to targets for 2030 are provided for illustrative purposes only (4) WEM = with existing measures, WAM = with additional measures.
In 2021, effort sharing approximated emissions in Poland were 209.7 Mt CO2eq (equal to 52% of Poland's total GHG emissions), 2.3% higher than in 2020 and 0.3% higher than 2019 pre-pandemic level.

Between 2013 and 2019, Poland exceeded its annual emission allocations (AEAs) 4 times. However, Poland complied with the Effort Sharing Decision by making use of the flexibilities provided therein.

In 2020, effort sharing emissions in Poland were below the annual limit.

### 6) Land Use, Land Use Change and Forestry (LULUCF)

Reported quantities under the Kyoto Protocol for Poland show net removals of -36.3 Mt CO2-eq on average per year for the period 2013 to 2020. In this regard, Poland contributes with 11.3% to the annual average sink of -320.2 Mt CO2-eq of the EU-27. Accounting for the same period depicts net credits of, on average, -2.0 Mt CO2-eq, which corresponds to 2.5% of the EU-27 accounted sink of -83.4 Mt CO2-eq. Reported net removals and accounted net credits decrease between 2013 and 2015, followed by an increase until 2018 and then sharply drop in 2019, resulting in net debits for 2019 and 2020.

The dominating reported activity is Forest Management with removals. Removals by Afforestation/Reforestation are small and emission by Deforestation negligible except for 2016 with emissions of 5.6 Mt CO2-eq. This increase is the result of large conversions of forest to settlement for expanding infrastructures. Removals by Forest Management decrease between 2013 and 2015 by 10.5 Mt CO2-eq, followed by a moderate increase in 2016. Between 2018 and 2019 credits by Forest Management sharply declined by more than 50% followed by a slight increase in 2020. The decreasing removals from 2013 to 2015 relates to a reported increase in harvests, and the decrease in 2018-2019 is due to extreme events such as drought, pests and windbreaks.

Credits by Forest Management are the biggest accounting quantity in most years; in 2019 and 2020 Forest Management, following the decrease in removals, results in debits. Credits by Afforestation/Reforestation are moderate, and debits by Deforestation negligible except for 2016.
7) Financing Climate Action

Poland’s Planned Financing for Climate Actions
(EU financing & national co-financing - 2021-2027 Cohesion Policy)

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**Cohesion policy**

The chart presents information on investment plans and achievement targets from adopted programmes.

Financing for cohesion policy uses a categorisation to provide thematic information on the finances planned.

Source: https://cohesiondata.ec.europa.eu/

**Innovation Fund**

(Portfolio of signed projects)

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(List of confirmed or approved investment proposals)

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This graph displays: 1) the estimated cost of measures attributed by the Commission, in consultation with the Member State, to the green pillar either as primary or secondary assignments; and 2) how disbursements under the RRF (excluding pre-financing) relate to the green pillar.


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