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ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY REPORT

2021 LEADERSHIP MESSAGE

The Fund is committed to environmentally responsible operations. Climate change is a major threat to long-term growth and prosperity that has a direct impact on the economic wellbeing of the world. The Fund is expanding its climate change work supporting member countries to adopt and implement policies designed to mitigate, contain, and reduce emissions. Similarly, as an institution, the Fund is taking steps to advance its operational environmental sustainability goals.

For more than a decade, the Fund has taken steps to reduce its impact on the environment, while ensuring that it can effectively serve its global membership. To further advance this work, an Environmental Sustainability Council (ESC) was established in 2021 to advise and provide directional guidance to Fund Management on the operational environmental issues facing the Fund. The institution also continued to invest in and manage new building technologies to reduce energy consumption, in addition to introducing new policies for greening the Fund's global vehicle fleet.

Even as COVID-19 pandemic restrictions were gradually eased and Fund staff began to return to headquarters and field offices, and there was limited resumption of critical mission travel, the Fund's carbon footprint remained well below pre-pandemic levels. However, as operations return to a more normal pace, there is an opportunity to make some of the pandemic-related reductions in the Fund's carbon footprint permanent. Importantly in this regard, considerable progress has been made in developing a new hybrid work model, which promises to permanently reduce employee commuting and building-related emissions, when implemented in 2022.

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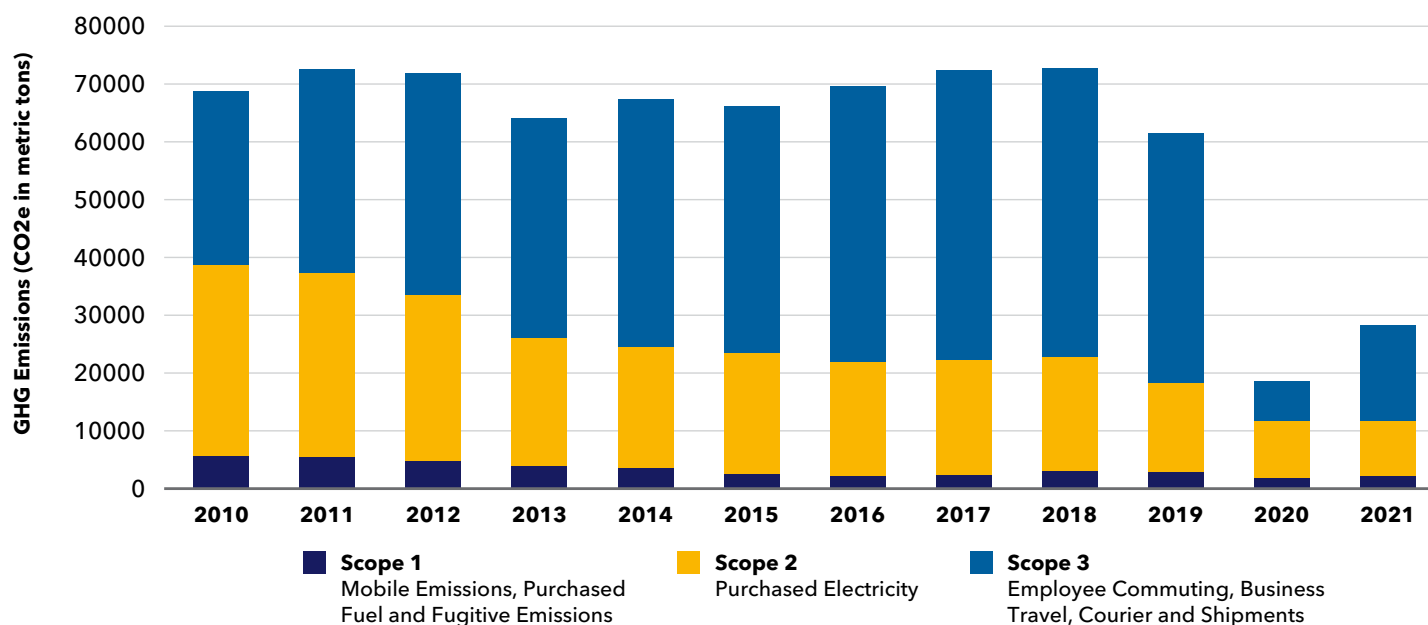
HISTORICAL VIEW

Since 2010, the Fund's total greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions has dropped **63 percent**, most of which happened during the unprecedented COVID-19 pandemic.

As pandemic-related restrictions were partially lifted in 2021 and the Fund's buildings began to reopen and some mission travel resumed, GHG emissions also started to rise. Notwithstanding, many lessons were learned during this period and will be considered as the Fund moves forward in serving its membership and returning its operations to some normalcy.

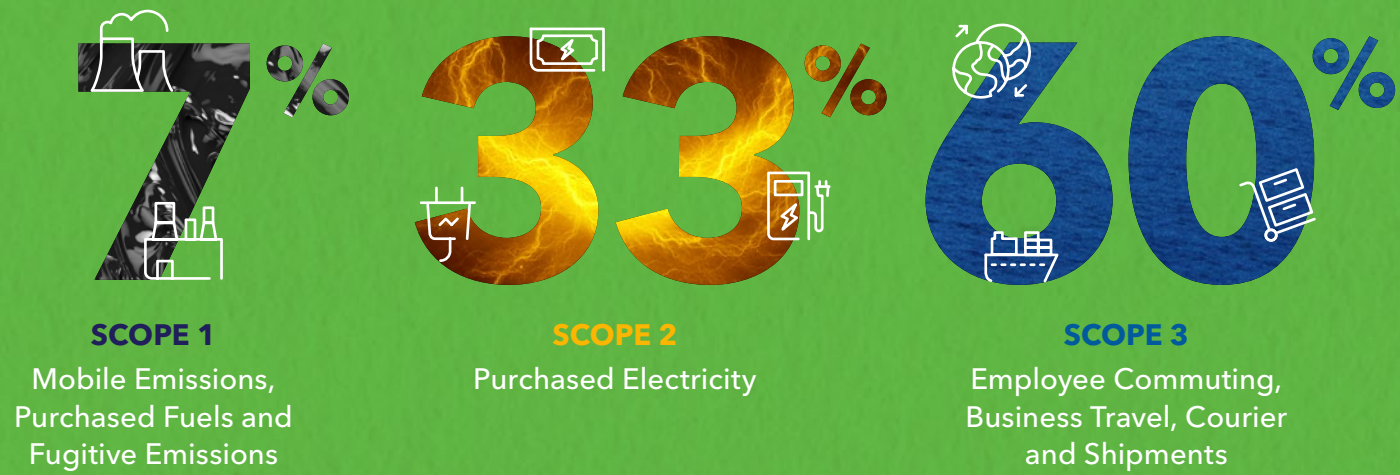


Cross-Year Comparison of Emissions (CO2e) by Scope



2021 Emissions Summary

Entity-Wide GHG Emissions by Scope



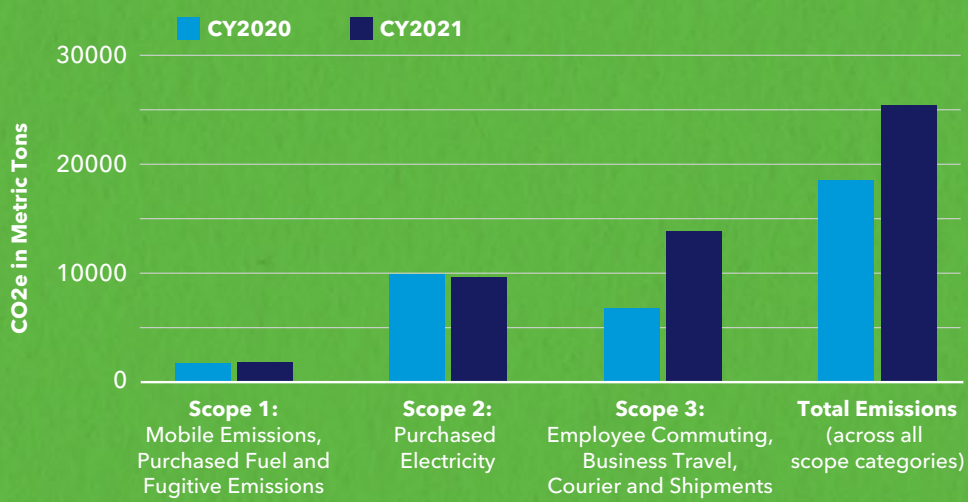
Summary

In 2021, total GHG emissions increased

37%
compared to 2020.

This was mostly a result of Fund staff gradually returning to their offices and a resulting **increase in commuting, as well as the resumption of mission travel.** GHG emissions remained well-below pre-pandemic levels.

GHG Emissions Comparison 2020 vs. 2021



















CARBON OFFSET SUMMARY

Since 2010, the Fund has been offsetting its GHG emissions by purchasing voluntary Gold Standard, Certified Emission Reduction (CER) units, to support projects located in developing countries under the UN Climate Change Clean Development Mechanisms (CDM). CDM projects not only reduce GHG emissions but also support sustainable development in project countries.

PROJECTS AND PROJECT TYPES

-  CLEAN ENERGY
-  HYDROPOWER
-  WIND POWER
-  GREEN TRANSPORTATION
-  SUSTAINABLE MATERIALS
-  SOLID WASTE TREATMENT PLANT

COUNTRY	CARBON OFFSET (METRIC TONS)	PROJECTS	PROJECT TYPE
Mexico	52K	2 Projects	
Honduras	10K	1 Project	
Brazil	89K	3 Projects	  
Chile	58K	1 Project	
Uganda	300K	1 Project	
Turkey	2K	1 Project	
Thailand	10K	1 Project	
India	480K	11 Projects	  
Vietnam	140K	3 Projects	 
China	77K	4 Projects	 

2021 Carbon Offset Projects

Vietnam



The Vietstar Municipal Solid Waste Treatment Plant in the Cu Chi District in Vietnam reduces methane emissions by averting typical landfill disposal. The treatment plant establishes and operates the composting facilities which produce annually **54K tons of organic matter** for local farmers, improving soil productivity and contributing to economic sustainable development for the region.

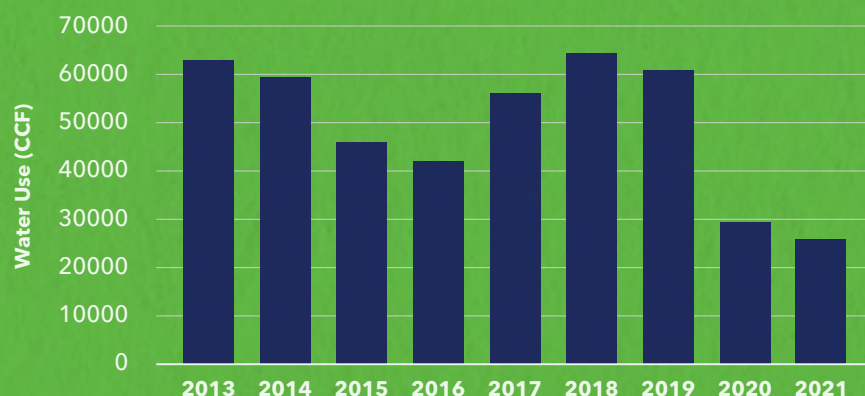


The Dak Pone Hydropower project, located in Dak Pone and Dak Ne Rivers in Vietnam, provides surrounding communities with reliable, sustainable energy that displaces the need for diesel generators and wood-fired heating and lighting. Each hydropower plant generates an average of **69K MWh of clean power** that ensures affordable, clean energy for surrounding communities.

Investing in these climate protection projects compensates for **30K tons of greenhouse gas emissions** for the year 2021.

WASTE AND WATER MANAGEMENT

Water Usage 2013 - 2021



The Fund's HQ water usage has decreased

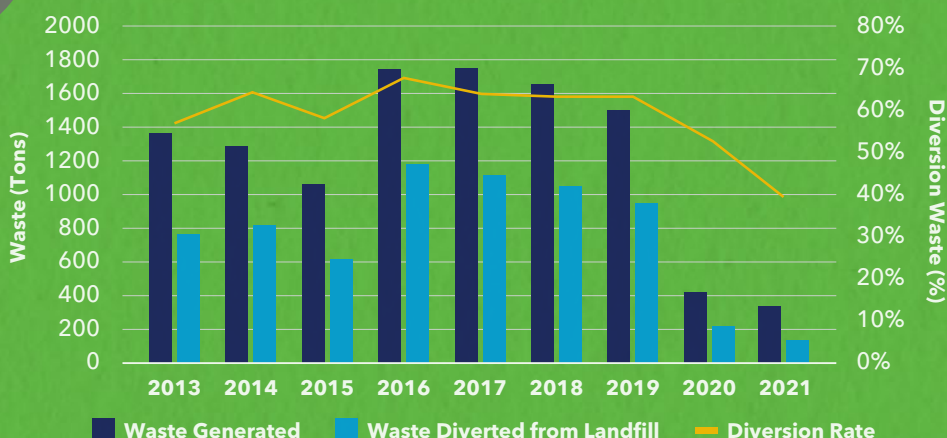
59%

since 2013, with most of the decrease attributed to building closure due to the COVID-19 pandemic.



Although our HQ buildings were largely empty during 2021, **we continued composting and recycling** to comply with LEED for Existing Buildings: Operations and Maintenance guidelines.

Waste Management 2013 - 2021



ALWAYS IMPROVING

OUR FACILITIES

Our facilities are designed with efficiency, function and staff and visitor comfort in mind. The building life cycle and need to adopt spaces to fit the changing world is always on our mind. In 2021, our HQ buildings earned the WELL Health and Safety Seal in recognition of the Fund's efforts to maintain a healthy and safe working environment for everyone that works in these buildings. These health and safety measures will continue into the future, beyond the COVID-19 Pandemic.



COMMUTING AND TRANSPORTATION

In 2021, the Fund developed a new hybrid work model which is designed to allow Fund employees greater flexibility in where they work, which when fully implemented promises to permanently reduce commuting-related emissions. The Fund also established a new policy for its global vehicle fleet which prioritizes low emissions vehicle purchases.



OTHER INITIATIVES

In 2021, a staff-led Environmental Sustainability Council was established to serve as a senior advisory body for Fund management. The Council will advise on additional ways to incorporate environmental considerations in the work and mission of the Fund.



ENVIRONMENTALLY SUSTAINABLE SOURCING

In 2021, the Fund began work on establishing a sustainable procurement framework, which aims to create greater awareness among purchase managers and suppliers of the Fund's commitment to environmentally sustainable sourcing of goods and services.

