Aberdeen Airport Footprint 2022

In accordance with the UK Government's Conversion Factors for Company Reporting

Report for Aberdeen International Airport Ltd (part of AGS Airports Ltd)

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GLOSSARY

	Definition
Arisings	Materials forming the secondary or waste products of industrial operations.
ATM	Air traffic movements – an aircraft take-off or landing at an airport. For airport traffic purposes one arrival and one departure is counted as two movements.
Carbon dioxide equivalent (CO_2e)	The carbon dioxide equivalent (CO_2e) allows the different greenhouse gases to be compared on a like-for-like basis relative to one unit of CO_2. CO_2e is calculated by multiplying the emissions of each of the six greenhouse gases by its 100-year global warming potential (GWP).
Carbon footprint	A carbon footprint measures the total greenhouse gas emissions caused directly and indirectly by a person, organisation, event or product. A carbon footprint is measured in tonnes of carbon dioxide equivalent (tCO_2e).
Emission factor	An emissions factor is a representative value that attempts to relate the quantity of a pollutant released to the atmosphere with an activity associated with the release of that pollutant.
GHG	Greenhouse gas – a gas in an atmosphere that absorbs and emits radiation within the thermal infrared range. This process is the fundamental cause of the greenhouse effect. The primary greenhouse gases in Earth's atmosphere are water vapour, carbon dioxide, methane, nitrous oxide, and ozone.
Outside of Scope	All fuels with biogenic content (e.g. 'Diesel and petrol (average biofuel blend)') should have the 'Outside of Scope' emissions reported to ensure a complete picture of an organisations' emissions are created. The emissions are labelled 'Outside of Scope' because the Scope 1 impact of these fuels has been determined to be a net '0' (since the fuel source itself absorbs an equivalent amount of CO2 during the growth phase as the CO2 is released through combustion).
PAX	Number of passengers.
APU	Auxiliary power unit.
CAA	Civil Aviation Authority
LTO	Landing Take Off (LTO) is defined as the modes of operation by an aircraft below 1,000m altitude - idle, taxiing, approach, climb out and take off. Emissions in this category are from fuel used in aircraft engines during these modes of operation.

PROJECT SUMMARY

BACKGROUND

AGS Airports Limited, a partnership between Ferrovial and Macquarie Infrastructure and Real Assets (MIRA), owns Aberdeen International Airport Limited (ABZ). The airport operates 365 days per year, with business as usual operations supporting around 2 million passengers and handling around 75 thousand aircraft movements. AGS Airports employ around 346 full-time staff (FTE), with around 60 based at Aberdeen Airport.

To continue operating in an environmentally responsible manner, it is important for the airport to monitor and manage all its emissions from all operations – both those the airport is directly responsible for, and those it can influence under its scope 3 emissions.

During the reporting year of 2022, there were no longer national travel restrictions in place in the UK as a result of the Covid-19 pandemic. As a result passenger numbers, air traffic & business travel movements increased at Aberdeen International Airport since 2021 in lieu of the lifting of COVID-19 national travel restrictions. While air traffic movements remain below pre-pandemic levels, these did not decrease significantly. This is because the airport is essential in supporting the offshore energy sector and continued to provide essential services throughout the pandemic. This included Highlands and Islands lifeline flights, air ambulance services and essential maintenance and training support.

The calculation of the annual carbon footprint will help AGS Airports Limited and the individual airports understand the different areas which contribute to their overall carbon footprint and monitor changes on a yearly basis. This process will help identify improvement opportunities, which will ultimately reduce AGS Airports' carbon footprint and associated costs. In addition, the success of any management strategies previously implemented can be evaluated.

For the first time this year AGS Airports Limited and the individual airports have estimated their supply chain emissions on all applicable sources that are not already covered in their carbon footprint.

Aberdeen International Airport

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SUMMARY

All emissions have been calculated in line with the Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Protocol, to Airport Carbon Accreditation (ACA) Level 3+ standard and ISO 14064-1.

Emissions figures are reported using the market-based methodology unless clearly indicated otherwise. A location-based baseline emissions profile can be seen towards the end of this report. For a detailed explanation of this, please see this slide.

The emission sources included within each scope of the footprint can be seen below.

A detailed explanation of the methodology and assumptions used to estimate the footprint can be found in the appendices.

Scope 1

"Direct Emissions"

- Natural gas
- Fuel used in: Vehicles and ground support equipment owned by Aberdeen Airport, generators and other equipment
- Refrigerant gases lost to atmosphere from chillers and air conditioners
- De-icer used on ground by Aberdeen Airport

Scope 2

"Indirect Emissions"

- Electricity used by Aberdeen Airport

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Scope 3

"Indirect Emissions"

- Aviation emissions: LTO, engine testing
- Passenger surface access
- Fuel used in vehicles and ground support equipment owned by third parties
- Staff commute and business travel
- Tenant electricity
- Tenant natural gas
- Electricity well-to-tank and transmission and distribution losses
- Waste: Disposal
- De-Icer used on aircraft by third parties
- Water supply and wastewater treatment
- Non-road construction vehicles

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SUMMARY: MARKET BASED REPORTING

The Market Based methodology as outlined in the GHG Protocol, allows for organisations to report their carbon emissions reflecting their energy procurement decisions.

For Aberdeen Airport, their electricity is purchased under a zero emissions contract that is fully backed by Renewable Energy Guarantees of Origin (REGO) certificates. This means that under Market Based reporting rules, the Scope 2 electricity emissions are reported as zero emissions.

The following slides show the emissions reported under this methodology.

64,705 tCO_2e/year

97.8% from scope 3 emission sources

Market Based Emissions Figures

33% increase from 2021 emissions

Scope 3

"Indirect Emissions"

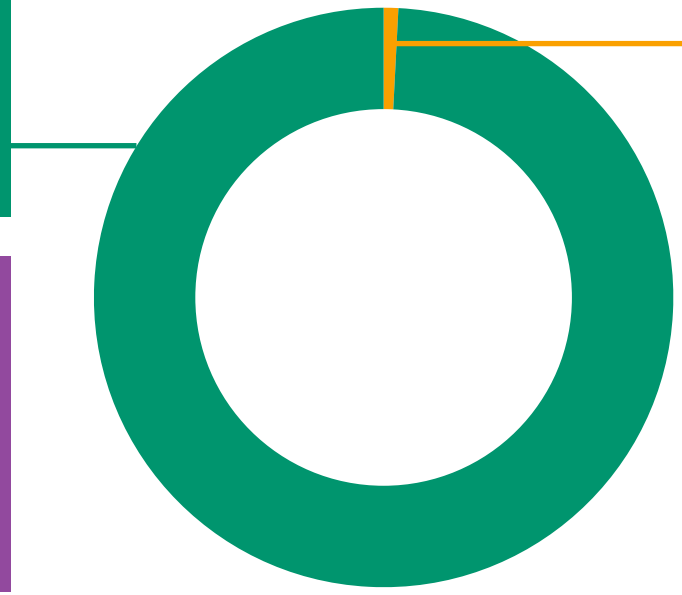
Emissions that arise as a consequence of the activities of the company, but occur from sources not owned or controlled by the company.

63,254 tCO2e (97.7%)

Out of Scope

Emissions from fuels with biogenic content. Scope 1 impact of these fuels has been determined to be net "0"

28 tCO2e (0.04%)



Scope 1

"Direct Emissions"

Emissions produced from sources linked to a company's assets.

1,423 tCO2e (2.2%)

Scope 2

"Indirect Emissions"

Emissions produced by the generation of electricity purchased from third parties and consumed in the company's assets.

0 tCO2e (0%)

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ANNUAL EMISSIONS TRENDS

The table below shows the figures from the charts on the previous slide, as well as the % year-on-year (y-o-y) change of the different emissions scopes.

Emissions by Scope	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Scope 1	1,385	1,351	1,162	1,523	1,423
Scope 2	1,539	0	0	0	0
Scopes 1 and 2	**2,924**	**1,351**	**1,162**	**1,523**	**1,423**
Scope 3	70,027	71,004	39,572	47,097	63,254
Outside of Scope	4	6	6	8	28
Total emissions	**72,954**	**72,361**	**40,741**	**48,627**	**64,705**

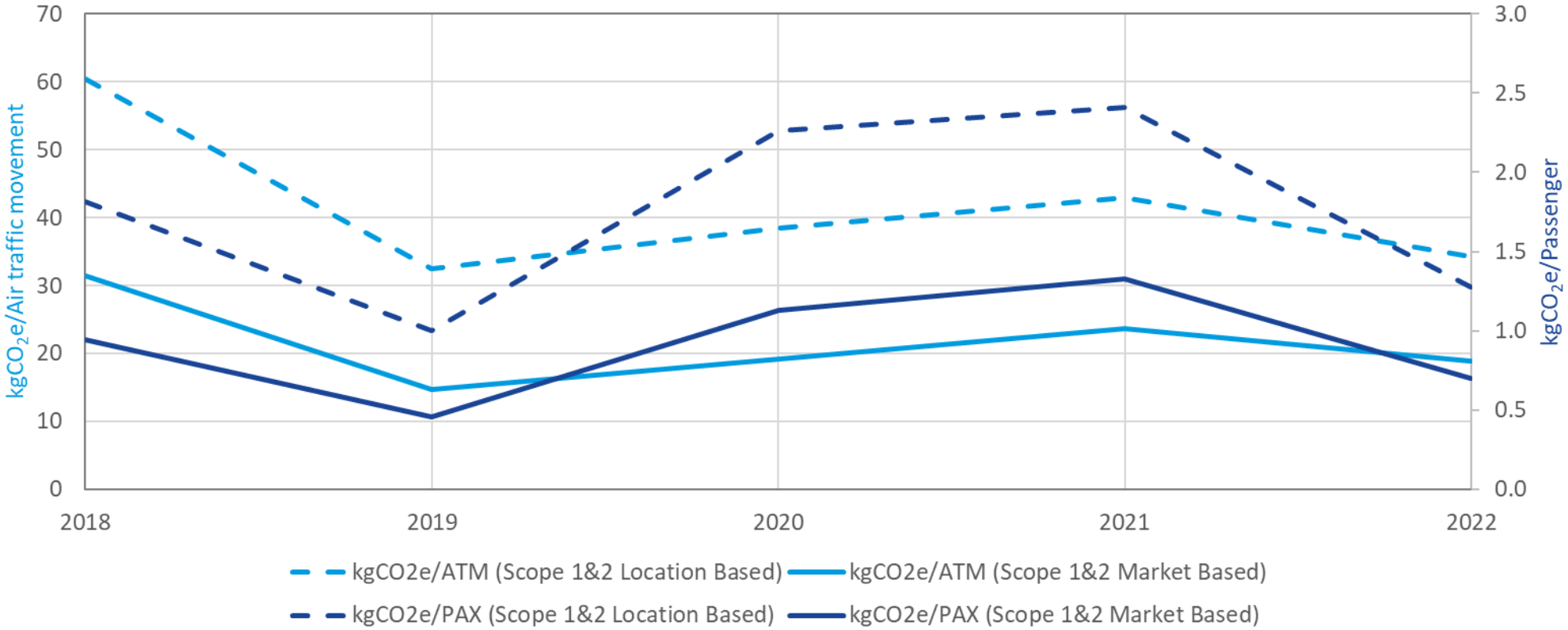
Scope 1 % y-o-y change	14%	-2%	-14%	31%	-7%
Scope 2 % y-o-y change	-70%	-100%	N/A	N/A	N/A
Scope 1 & 2 % y-o-y change	**-54%**	**-54%**	**-14%**	**31%**	**-7%**
Scope 3 % y-o-y change	18%	1%	-44%	19%	34%
Outside of Scope	0%	62%	3%	26%	258%
Total % y-o-y change	**11%**	**-1%**	**-44%**	**19%**	**33%**

KEY STATS

INTENSITY METRICS COMPARISON OVER TIME - 1

Intensity metrics allow comparison over time against other factors that fluctuate and have an impact on the environmental performance of the airport. The two chosen key performance indicators are aircraft traffic movements (ATM) and passenger numbers (PAX).

This chart shows intensity metrics for Scope 1&2 $kgCO_2e$/PAX and $kgCO_2e$/ATM for both location and market based reporting methodologies.



There has been a reduction in market and location based intensity metrics in 2022. This is likely due to the easing of the Covid-19 restrictions and as a result an increase in PAX and ATM numbers. Therefore emissions have increased in proportion with the increase in both ATM and PAX numbers and are again similar to pre-pandemic levels.

KEY STATS

INTENSITY METRICS COMPARISON OVER TIME - 2

This chart shows intensity metrics for Scope 1&2 $kgCO_2e$/passenger (PAX) and $kgCO_2e$/air traffic movement (ATM) for both location and market based reporting methodologies.

Note that the impacts of COVID-19 on airport operations led to increased carbon intensity per ATM and PAX in 2020 and 2021, which have since decreased for 2022.

	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
ATM	92,943	91,711	60,440	64,503	75,377
PAX	3,092,007	2,966,389	1,029,767	1,148,982	2,026,453
% Change in ATM (year-on-year)	-5.5%	-1.3%	-34.1%	6.7%	16.9%
% Change in PAX (year-on-year)	-1.3%	-4.1%	-65.3%	11.6%	76.4%
Scope 1 & 2 (tCO_2e) Location Based Scope	**5,609**	**2,972**	**2,328**	**2,766**	**2,588**
$kgCO_2e$/ATM	60.3	32.4	38.5	42.9	34.3
$kgCO_2e$/PAX	1.8	1.0	2.3	2.4	1.3
Scope 1 & 2 (tCO_2e) Market Based Scope 2	**2,923**	**1,351**	**1,162**	**1,523**	**1,423**
$kgCO_2e$/ATM*	31.5	14.7	19.2	23.6	18.9
$kgCO_2e$/PAX*	0.9	0.5	1.1	1.3	0.7

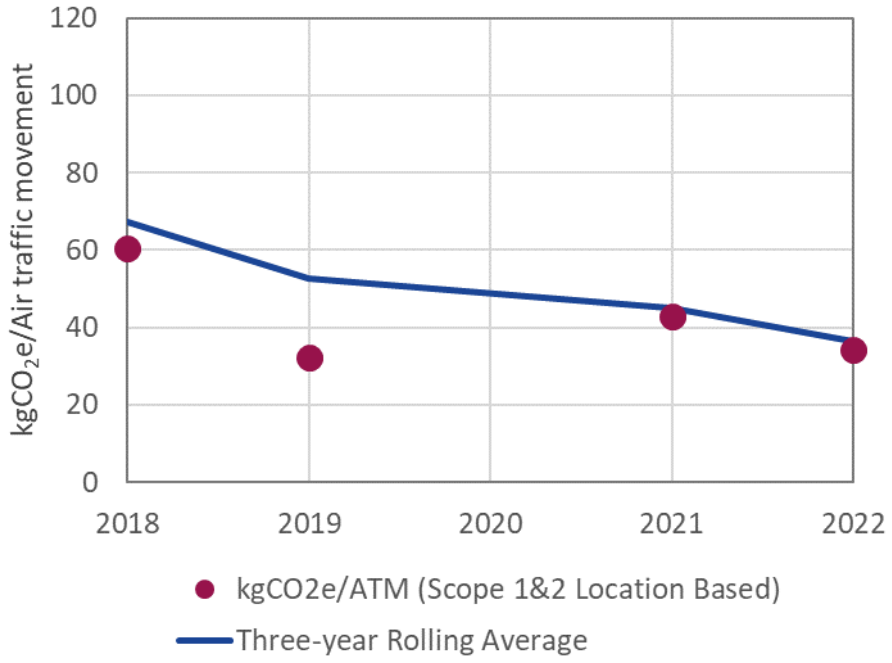
KEY STATS: SCOPE 1&2 EMISSIONS

THREE-YEAR ROLLING AVERAGE

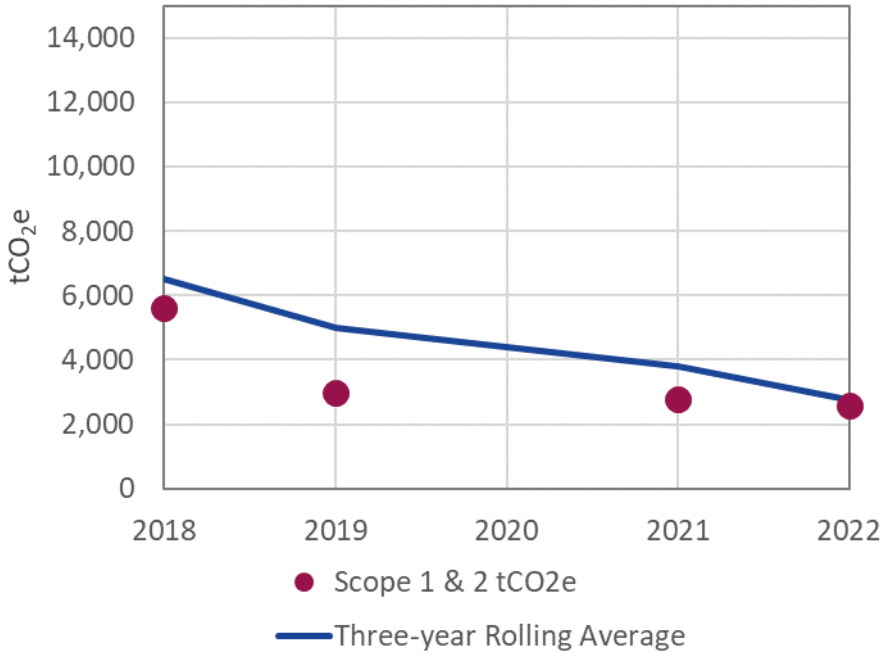
As per the requirements of Level 3+ of the ACA scheme, Aberdeen Airport have demonstrated a reduction in their Scope 1 and 2 emissions against the three-year rolling average, both in terms of absolute and intensity based emissions, as shown in the charts below.

NOTE: Due to impacts of COVID-19, 2020 data is not included within the three year rolling average when reporting these figures for ACA purposes. Reduced passenger and flight numbers in 2021 also impacts the intensity based emissions for 2021, but absolute emissions remained below the three-year rolling average.

Intensity Based Emissions (kgCO2e/ATM)



Absolute Emissions (tCO2e)



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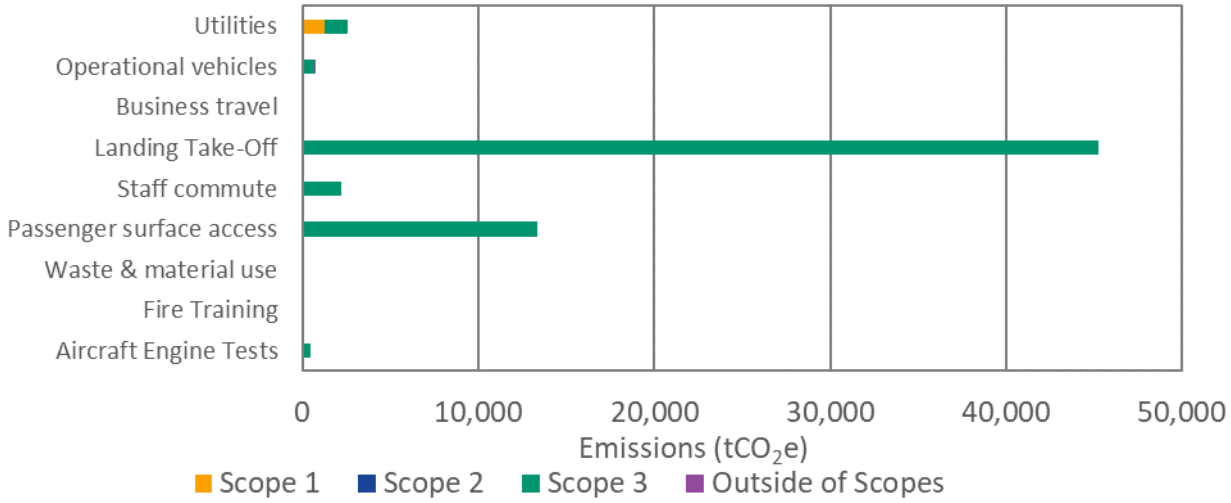
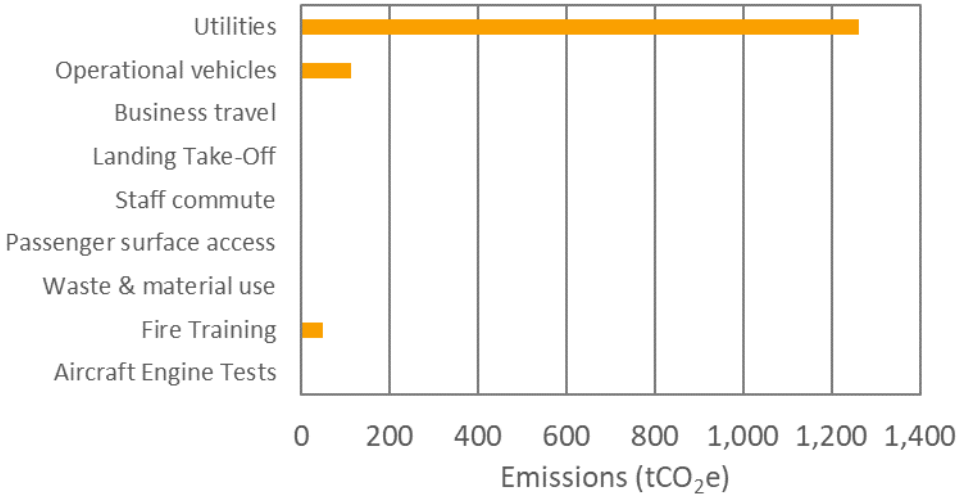
BY EMISSION SOURCE - 1

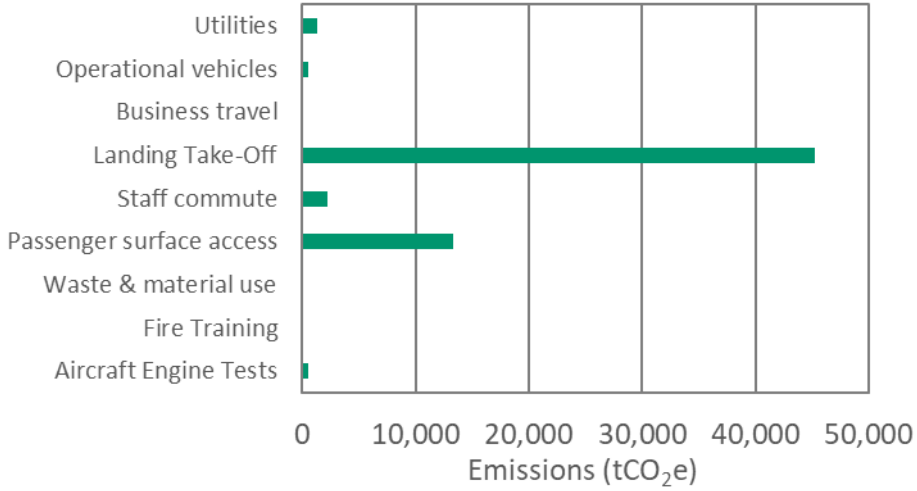
All Scopes carbon emissions split by source/activity



Scopes 1 and 2 carbon emissions split by source/activity



Scope 3 carbon emissions split by source/activity



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BY EMISSION SOURCE - 2

Market based tCO_2e	Emissions (tCO_2e)	% of Scope	% of Total Emissions
Scope 1 – Total	**1,423**	**100.0%**	**2.2%**
Natural gas	985	69.2%	1.5%
Operational vehicles	112	7.9%	<1%
Fuel (heating and power)	21	1.5%	<1%
Refrigerants	10	<1%	<1%
Airport de-icer	245	17.2%	<1%
Fire training	49	3.5%	<1%
Scope 2 – Total	**0**	**100.0%**	**0.0%**
Airport electricity (Market based)	0	0.0%	0.0%
Scope 3 - Total	**63,254**	**100.0%**	**97.8%**
Landing Take-off (LTO)	45,255	71.5%	69.9%
Passenger surface access	13,358	21.1%	20.6%
Tenant natural gas	54	<1%	<1%
Tenant electricity (Market Based)	0	0.0%	0.0%
Electricity WTT	637	1.0%	1.0%
Electricity T&D	223	<1%	<1%
Waste	4	<1%	<1%
Staff commute	2,211	3.5%	3.4%
Third party operational vehicles	595	<1%	<1%
Third party de-icer	377	<1%	<1%
Aircraft engine tests	488	<1%	<1%
Water	46	<1%	<1%
Business travel	6	<1%	<1%
Out of Scopes – Total	**28**	**100.0%**	**0.0%**
Diesel OoS	25	89.3%	<1%
Petrol OoS	1	3.2%	<1%
Wood OoS	2	7.5%	<1%
Total	**64,705**		**100.0%**

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SCOPE 1 EMISSION SOURCES

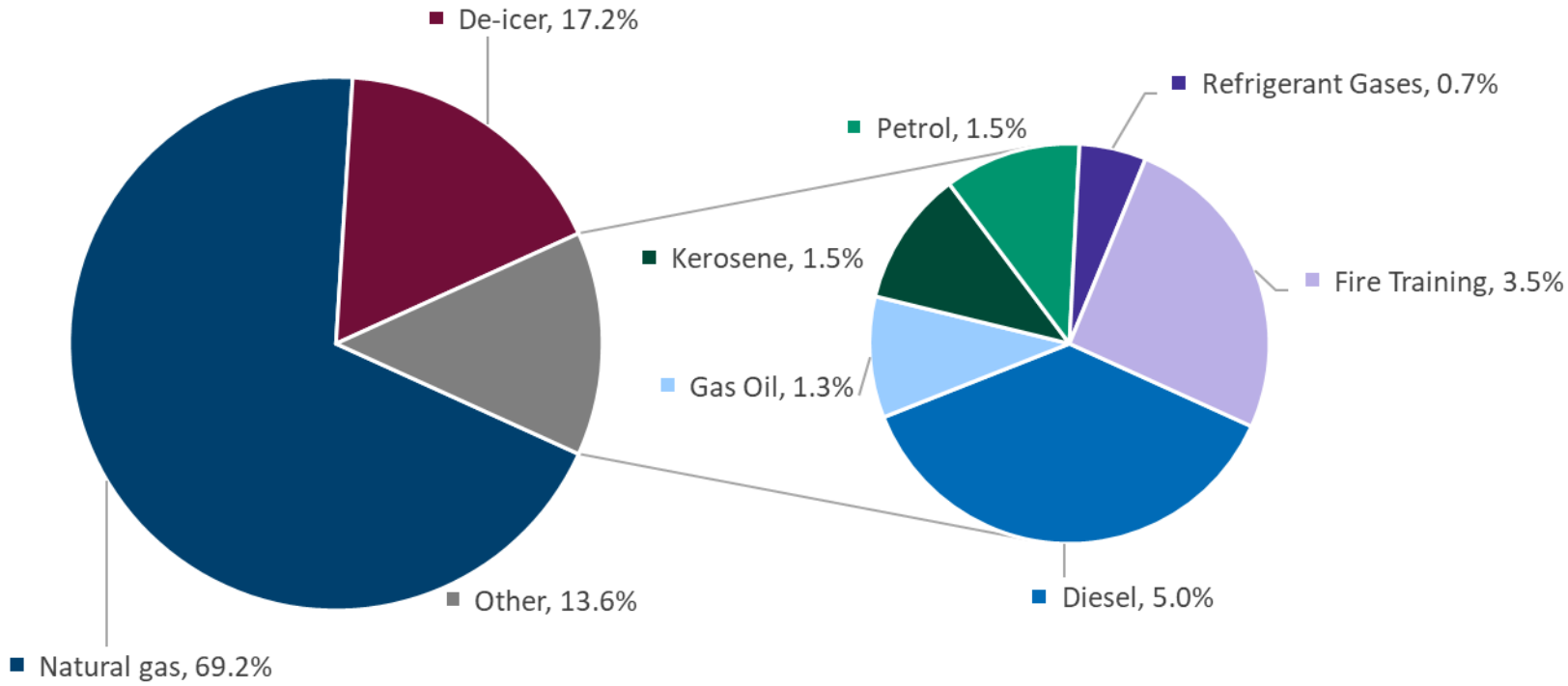
Scope 1 emissions are produced from sources linked to a company's assets and are under direct control of the airport.

For Aberdeen Airport, the major emissions sources in this category include the emissions from natural gas used for heating, de-icer, diesel used in in operational vehicles as well as kerosene used for heating and fuels burned for fire training purposes.

1,423 tCO_2e/year

2.2% of total emissions

Market based Emissions Figures



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SCOPE 2 LOCATION AND MARKET BASED EMISSIONS

Scope 2 emissions relate to the electricity consumption at the airport. These can be calculated using the following two methodologies:

- **Location-based method**; this reflects the average emissions intensity of macro-scale (regional/national) electricity grids where energy consumption occurs. Companies reporting using this method should use the regional/National Grid average emission factor. In the UK, this would be sourced from the Defra/DECC UK Government conversion factors for Company Reporting.
- **Market-based method**; this reflects the emissions from the electricity that a company is purchasing. Energy suppliers in the UK are already required, by law, to disclose to consumers the fuel mix and GHG emissions associated with their portfolio or tariffs. This airport selects to purchase electricity that is greener than the National Grid average emissions factor. The advantage of procuring electricity that is higher in renewable energy content than that of the National Grid is outlined in the table below:

	Location-based (tCO_2e)	Market-based (tCO_2)
Airport Electricity Emissions (Scope 2)	1,165	0

- Here, Market-Based emissions are zero because the airport purchased 100% green electricity from its energy suppliers. REGO certificates have been provided which indicates that the supply is 100% renewable.
- The following slide provides an annual comparison of the electricity consumption and relevant emissions at Aberdeen Airport.
- This is airport electricity only and does not include emissions from WTT or T&D losses.

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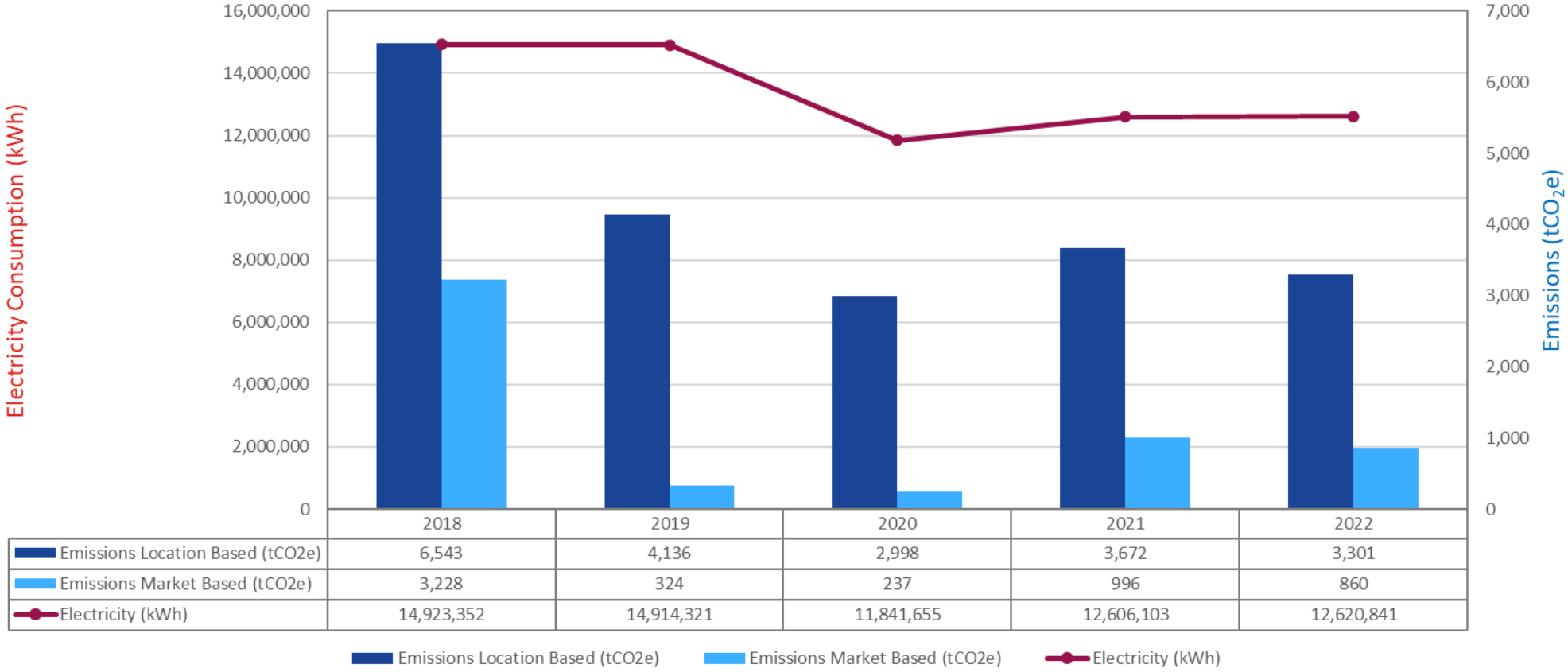
SCOPE 2 ELECTRICITY CONSUMPTION AND CARBON EMISSIONS



	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Emissions Location Based (tCO2e)	6,543	4,136	2,998	3,672	3,301
Emissions Market Based (tCO2e)	3,228	324	237	996	860
Electricity (kWh)	14,923,352	14,914,321	11,841,655	12,606,103	12,620,841

There has been little deviation in total electrical consumption since 2018. The major savings in emissions from 2018 – 2019 is due to the increase of renewables on the national grid and the purchasing of 100% renewable electricity from 2018. The sudden drop in electricity consumption in 2020 is a result of the Covid-19 pandemic, which increased slightly into 2021 and 2022. Whilst these emissions now include WTT emissions, there has been a slight reduction in emissions in 2022 due to the decarbonisation of the grid.

Note: The figures for electricity consumption above include both airport (Scope 2) and tenant (Scope 3) electricity use as well as Transmission and Distribution (T&D) and WTT emissions.

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SCOPE 3 EMISSION SOURCES

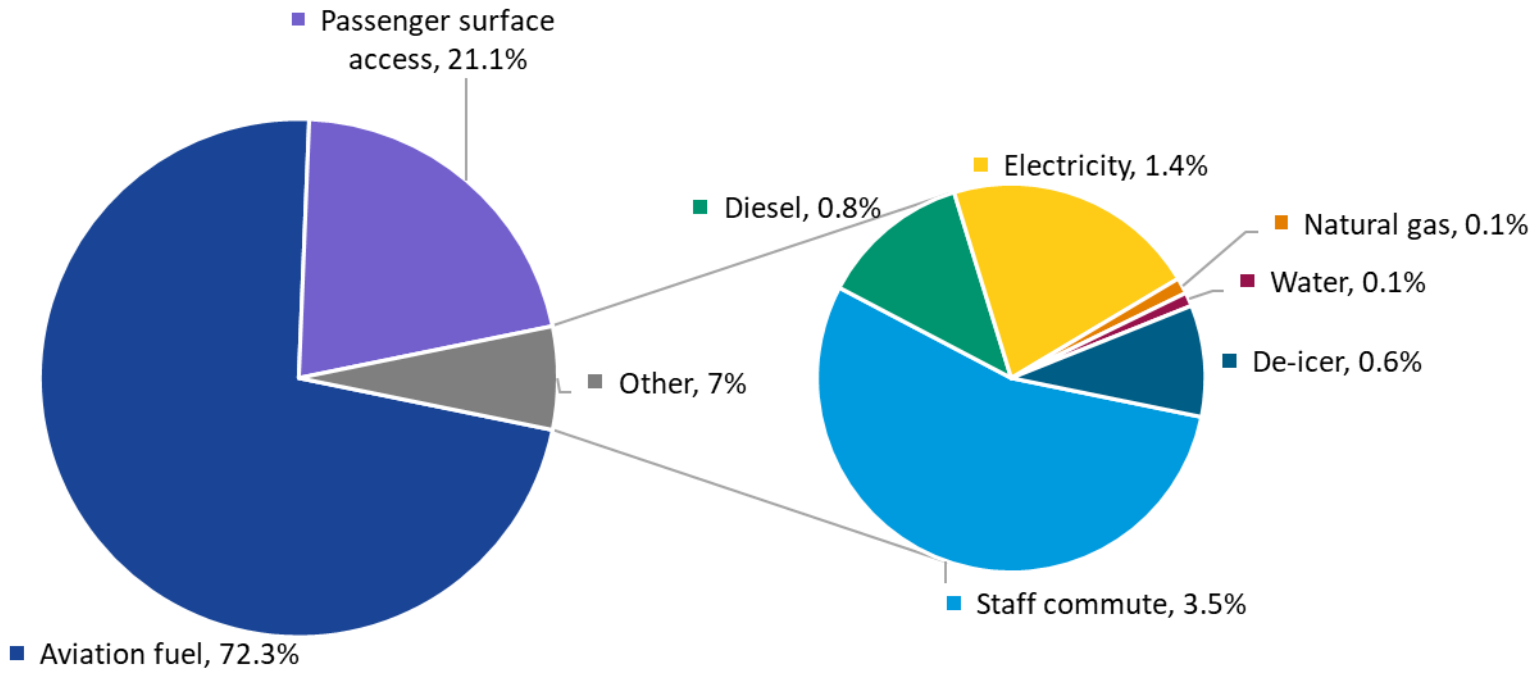
Scope 3 emissions are those that arise as a consequence of the activities of the company, but occur from sources not owned or controlled by the company.

For Aberdeen Airport, the major emissions sources in this category include the emissions from aviation fuel and passenger surface access. Other sources include staff commute, third party electricity and natural gas and operational vehicle fuel, third party de-icer and water supply/treatment.

63,254 tCO_2e/year

97.8% of total emissions

Market based Emissions Figures



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Landing take-off cycle (LTO)

45,255 tCO_2e/year

Total LTO emissions

Landing Take-Off Cycle emissions account for aircraft movements which occur below 3,000 feet during flight.

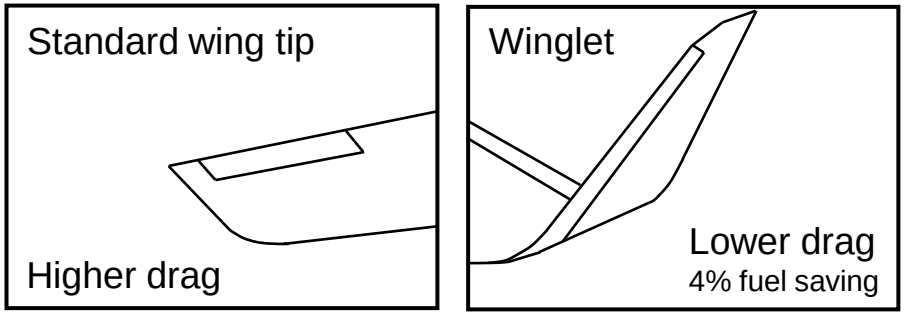
EasyJet offset 100% of their aviation fuel emissions as per ACA guidelines and can therefore be claimed as carbon neutral. AGS airports have decided to continue reporting these emissions in their carbon footprint for clarity.

Total emissions from EasyJet that are offset are **3,511 tCO2e** which is 8% of total LTO emissions.

Additional efforts have been made to improve the accuracy of the LTO calculations in 2022 to reflect the impact of aircraft fuel efficiency improvements that were not otherwise captured by the methodology used in previous years. One improvement to the methodology was accounting for the fuel savings from the use of wingtips on aircraft.

New designs for the tips of the aircraft wings can reduce drag and improve fuel efficiency. An example of a modern wingtip design is shown in the figure on the right.

Wingtips can reduce fuel burn by 4-6% for larger aircraft, which reduces the carbon emissions by the same amount. A 4% reduction in fuel use was used as a conservative estimate of fuel burn savings for the calculations for Aberdeen Airport's LTO emissions.



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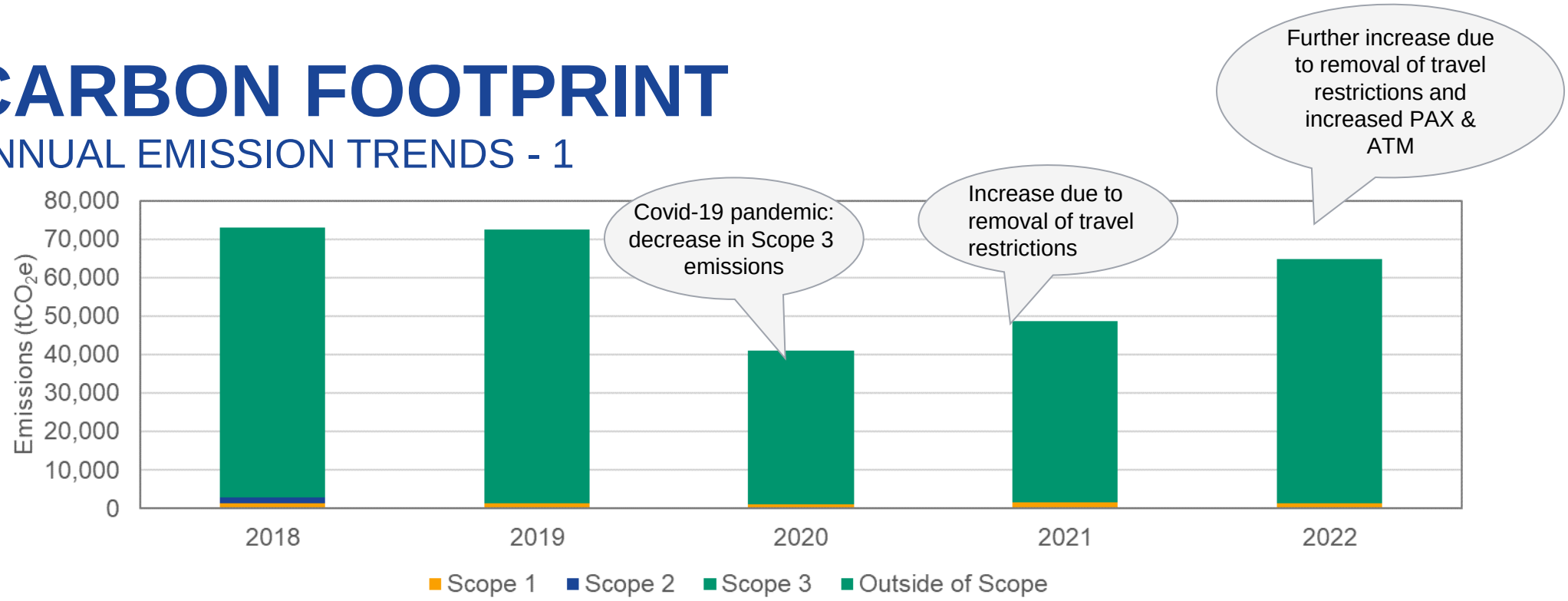
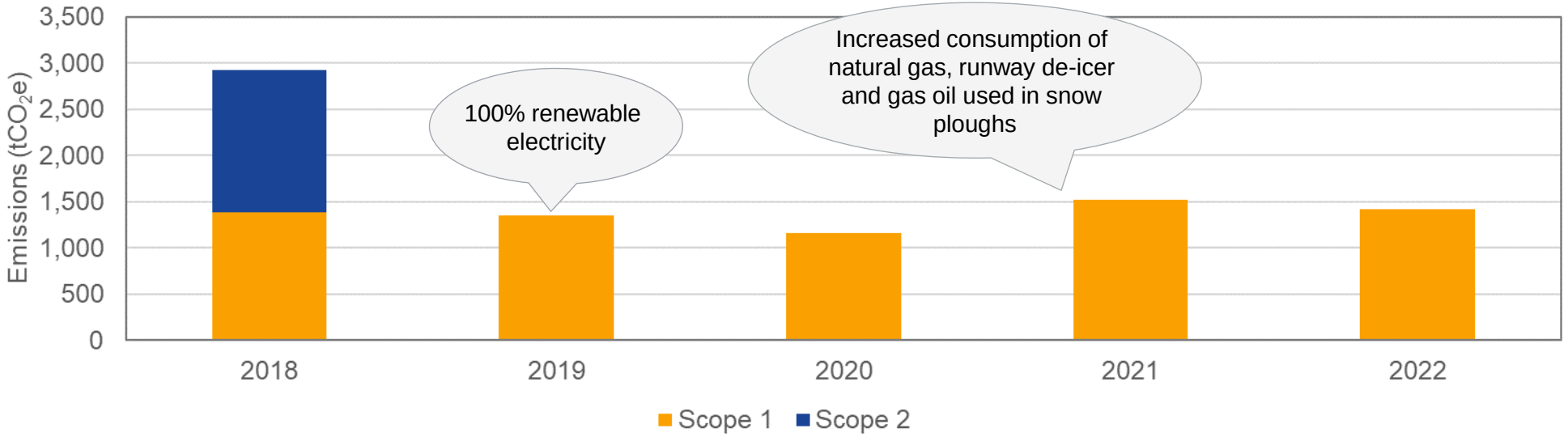
ANNUAL EMISSION TRENDS - 1





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ANNUAL EMISSIONS TRENDS - 2

Emissions have increased for 2022 across most of the emissions categories due to the increase in air traffic movements (16.9%) and passenger numbers (76.4%) in comparison to 2021.

Emissions sources with the largest increases from 2021:

- Business travel (Scope 3) emissions have increased by 2,441% due to the easing of travel restrictions and increase in in person meetings.
- Aircraft engine testing (Scope 3) emissions have increased by 288% due to the inclusion of airport helicopter tests within this year's footprint.
- Diesel (Scope 1 and 3) emissions have increased by 370% as Aberdeen airport switched from using gas oil to white diesel as of March 2022.
- Passenger surface access (Scope 3) emissions have increased by 58% due to an increase of 76.4% in passenger numbers
- De-icer (Scope 1) emissions have increased by 41% because of an increase in flights, naturally the amount of de-icer used through winter will have increased.
- Operational vehicles (Scope 1 and 3) emissions have increased by 27% due to an increase in operations at the airport.
- Landing Take-Off (Scope 3) emissions have increased by 22% due to the increase in ATMS of 16.9% compared to 2021.

Emission sources with the largest decreases from 2021:

- Gas Oil (Scope 1) emissions have decreased by 76% due to switching to white diesel in operational vehicles in 2022.
- Waste (Scope 3) emissions have decreased by 97% as emissions from primary material production have been included within the supply chain analysis.
- Staff Commute (Scope 3) emissions have decreased by 7% largely due to a shift in employees working from home in 2021.
- Utilities* have decreased by 2%, this could be from a decrease in staff coming into the office and instead working from home more.

*this includes emissions from natural gas, electricity, water, fuels, refrigerant gases and de-icer

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ANNUAL EMISSIONS TRENDS - 3

Market Based tCO_2e	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Scope 1 – Total	**1,385**	**1,351**	**1,162**	**1,523**	**1,423**
Natural gas	921	988	986	1,109	985
Airport operational vehicles	153	137	85	134	112
Fuel (heating and power)	0	8	33	21	21
Refrigerants	225	43	4	8	10
Airport de-icer	0	0	0	199	245
Fire training	85	175	55	51	49
Business Travel	1	0	0	0	0
Scope 2 – Total	**1,539**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**
Airport electricity	1,539	0	0	0	0
Scope 3 - Total	**70,027**	**71,004**	**39,572**	**47,097**	**63,254**
Landing Take-off (LTO)	44,764	43,634	28,967	34,206	45,255
Passenger surface access	20,910	19,895	7,396	8,467	13,358
Tenant natural gas	127	121	57	48	54
Tenant electricity	1,330	0	0	0	0
Electricity WTT *(reported since 2021)*	0	0	0	759	637
Electricity T&D	360	324	237	237	223
Waste	873	556	52	153	4
Staff commute	356	5,476	1,211	2,387	2,211
Third party operational vehicles	771	631	412	435	595
Third party de-icer	0	0	169	241	377
Aircraft engine tests	423	251	969	126	488
Water	109	108	99	38	46
Business travel	4	11	2	0	6
Out of Scopes – Total	**4**	**6**	**6**	**8**	**28**
Diesel OoS	3	6	5	7	25
Petrol Oos	0	0	0	1	1
Fire training OoS	0	0	0	0	2
Total	**72,954**	**72,361**	**40,741**	**48,627**	**64,705**

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SCOPE 3 SUPPLY CHAIN EMISSIONS

SCOPE 3 SUPPLY CHAIN

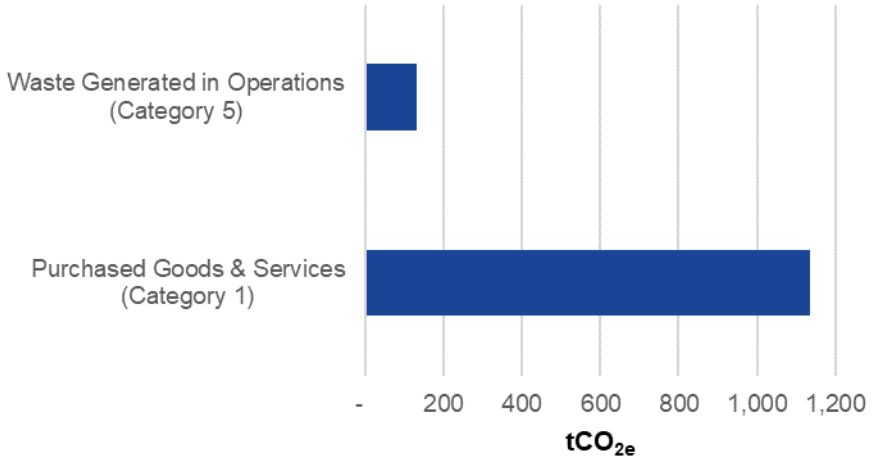
EMISSIONS FROM SUPPLY CHAIN - SUMMARY

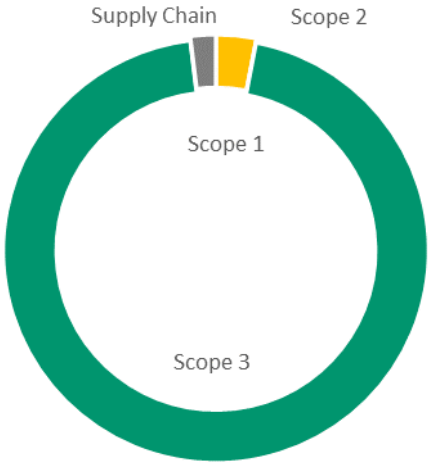
Aberdeen Airport reports its Green House Gas (GHG) emissions in line with United Kingdom mandatory GHG reporting and Airport Carbon Accreditation (ACA) Level 3+ emission regulations. The Scope 3 emissions sources included in this report represent the majority of emissions associated with airport operations. Aberdeen Airport has also undertaken a full GHG Inventory in line with the GHG Protocol and setting a Science Based Target.

There are 13 categories of Scope 3 emissions outlined in the GHG Protocol Corporate Value Chain (Scope 3) Accounting and Reporting Standard, shown in the table to the right. Currently, Aberdeen Airport already report the emissions under many of these categories, and some are not applicable due to organisation type and activities undertaken.

The new categories of emissions that have been calculated for the first time for 2022 are: **purchased goods and services, capital goods and waste (primary material production).** The emissions from these sources are shown below. They have not been included within the main carbon footprint for 2022, but Aberdeen Airport has decided to undertake this analysis to better understand its supply chain carbon footprint. These emissions represent 2% of all emissions estimated. Primary material production emissions have been removed from the existing footprint, as these emissions are better accounted for within the upstream supply chain.

Waste and water emissions already accounted for in the main footprint have not been included here. Therefore, related emissions below are from ad hoc and irregular waste services.





Scope 3 Category	Reporting	Emissions (tCO_{2e})
Purchased goods & services	New in 2022	1,268
Capital goods		
Fuel & energy (upstream)	Reported within existing footprint in rest of report.	
Waste from operations		
Business travel		
Employee commuting		
Leaded assets (upstream)		
Transportation & distribution (upstream)	N/A	
Transportation & distribution (downstream)		
Processing of sold goods		
Use of sold products		
End-of-life emissions from sold goods		
Leased assets (downstream)		
Franchises		
Investments		

SCOPE 3 SUPPLY CHAIN

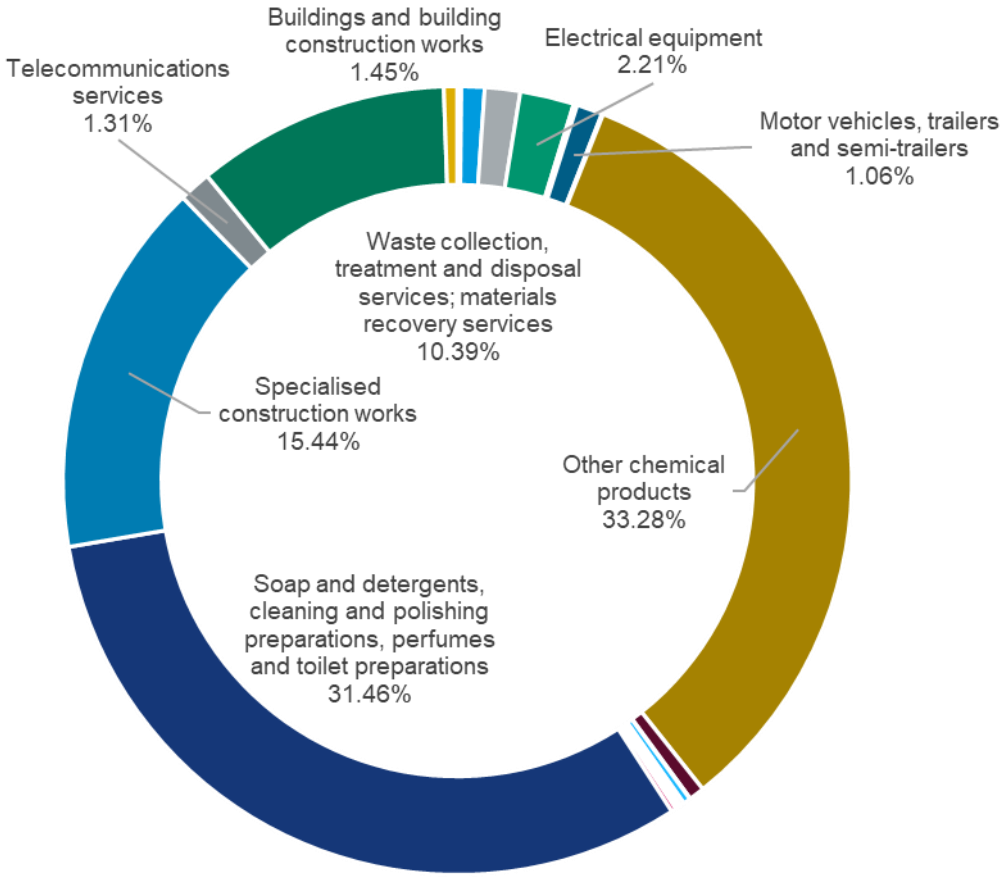
EMISSIONS FROM SUPPLY CHAIN – HOTSPOT ANALYSIS

Chemical products make up the biggest share of supply chain emissions for Aberdeen Airport. These are from the production of de-icer.

De-icer emissions are responsible for 33% of the airports upstream purchase emissions (other chemical products). These are the emissions associated with the production of these de-icers. The emissions associated with their use downstream are produced through biological or chemical degradation on contact with air. Therefore, the latter emissions are included within the main carbon footprint.

Cleaning products and services also contribute to 31% of supply chain emissions, shortly followed by specialised construction works such as pavement maintenance.

Other areas contribute to a small portion of supply chain emissions but include goods such as electrical equipment and a new airside vehicle, and consultancy services, like marketing, testing and construction works. All sources contributing to less than 1% of emissions are not labelled on the chart.



CARBON FOOTPRINT

APPENDIX

CARBON FOOTPRINT

LOCATION BASED EMISSIONS

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LOCATION BASED SUMMARY

Location based emissions by scope for Aberdeen Airport in 2022. This reflects the average emissions intensity of the grid on which the electricity consumption occurs.

All emissions have been calculated in line with the GHG Protocol, to ACA Level 3+ standard and ISO 14064-1. Outside of scope emissions have not been shown for simplicity, but these account for 0.04% of emissions and are reported for all fuels that contain a biofuel component.

67,146 tCO_2e/year

Location Based Emissions Figures

Scope 3

"Indirect Emissions"

Emissions that arise as a consequence of the activities of the company, but occur from sources not owned or controlled by the company.

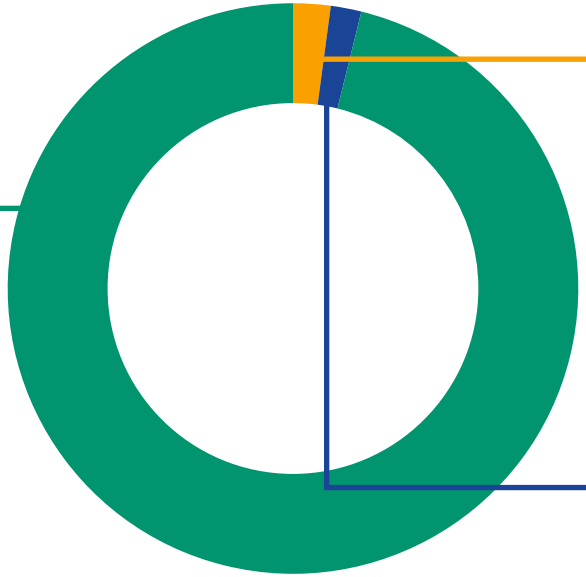
64,530 tCO_2e (96.1%)

Scope 1

"Direct Emissions"

Emissions produced from sources linked to a company's assets.

1,423 tCO_2e (2.1%)



Out of Scope

Emissions from fuels with biogenic content. Scope 1 impact of these fuels has been determined to be net "0"

28 tCO2e (0.04%)

Scope 2

"Indirect Emissions"

Emissions produced by the generation of electricity purchased from third parties and consumed in the company's assets.

1,165 tCO_2e (1.7%)

CARBON FOOTPRINT

ANNUAL SUMMARY - 2

The table below shows the figures from the charts on the previous slide, as well as the % year-on-year (y-o-y) change of the different emissions scopes.

Emissions by Scope	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Scope 1	1,385	1,351	1,162	1,523	1,423
Scope 2	4,224	1,621	1,165	1,243	1,165
Scopes 1 and 2	**5,609**	**2,972**	**2,328**	**2,766**	**2,588**
Scope 3	70,656	73,195	41,168	48,530	64,530
Outside of Scope	4	6	6	8	28
Total emissions	**76,268**	**76,174**	**43,502**	**51,304**	**67,146**

Scope 1 % y-o-y change	14%	-2%	-14%	31%	-7%
Scope 2 % y-o-y change	-19%	-62%	-28%	7%	-6%
Scope 1 & 2 % y-o-y change	**-12%**	**-47%**	**-22%**	**19%**	**-6%**
Scope 3 % y-o-y change	19%	4%	-44%	18%	33%
Outside of Scope	0%	62%	3%	26%	258%
Total % y-o-y change	**16%**	**0%**	**-43%**	**18%**	**31%**

CARBON FOOTPRINT

LOCATION v MARKET BASED

Location-based method:

Reflects the average emissions intensity on the UK grid using emission factors sourced from the UK Government. When multiplying the electricity consumption of 6,024,884 kWh supplied to Aberdeen Airport by the emission factor of 0.19338 $kgCO_2/kWh$ these emissions are calculated as 1,165 tCO_2e.

However, since Aberdeen Airport have purchased renewable electricity since 2019 onwards, the market based method is used for their company reporting.

Market-based method:

All of the 12,620,841 kWh of electricity consumption was supplied to Aberdeen Airport by a single supplier. Aberdeen Airport contacted the supplier in 2021 and asked for the details of the fuel mix. The following breakdown was provided for the year-ending 31st March 2022 (Source of Electricity, Percentage):

- **Renewables - 100%**

A REGO certificate has been provided, which indicates that the supply is 100% renewable.

The weighted emission factor was provided as 0 gCO_2/kWh (or 0 $kgCO_2/kWh$). Multiplying the electricity consumption of 12,620,841 kWh by the emission factor of 0 $kgCO_2/kWh$ calculates the emissions as 0 tCO_2e.

CARBON FOOTPRINT

BY EMISSIONS SOURCE

Location Based tCO_2e	Emissions (tCO_2e)	% of Scope	% of Total Emissions
Scope 1 – Total	**1,423**	**100.0%**	**2.1%**
Natural gas	985	69.2%	1.5%
Airport operational vehicles	112	7.9%	0.2%
Fuel (heating and power)	21	1.5%	0.0%
Refrigerants	10	<1%	<1%
Airport de-icer	245	17.2%	<1%
Fire training	49	3.5%	<1%
Scope 2 – Total	**1,165**	**100.0%**	**1.7%**
Airport electricity	1,165	100.0%	1.7%
Scope 3 - Total	**64,530**	**100.0%**	**96.1%**
Landing Take-off (LTO)	45,255	70.1%	67.4%
Passenger surface access	13,358	20.7%	19.9%
Tenant natural gas	54	<1%	<1%
Tenant electricity	1,276	2.0%	1.9%
Electricity WTT *(reported since 2021)*	637	1.0%	0.9%
Electricity T&D	223	<1%	<1%
Waste	4	<1%	<1%
Staff commute	2,211	3.4%	3.3%
Third party operational vehicles	595	<1%	<1%
Third party de-icer	377	<1%	<1%
Aircraft engine tests	488	<1%	<1%
Water	46	<1%	<1%
Business travel	6	<1%	<1%
Out of Scopes – Total	**28**	**100.0%**	**<1%**
Diesel OoS	25	89.3%	<1%
Petrol OoS	1	3.2%	<1%
Fire Training OoS	2	7.5%	<1%
Total	**67,146**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**

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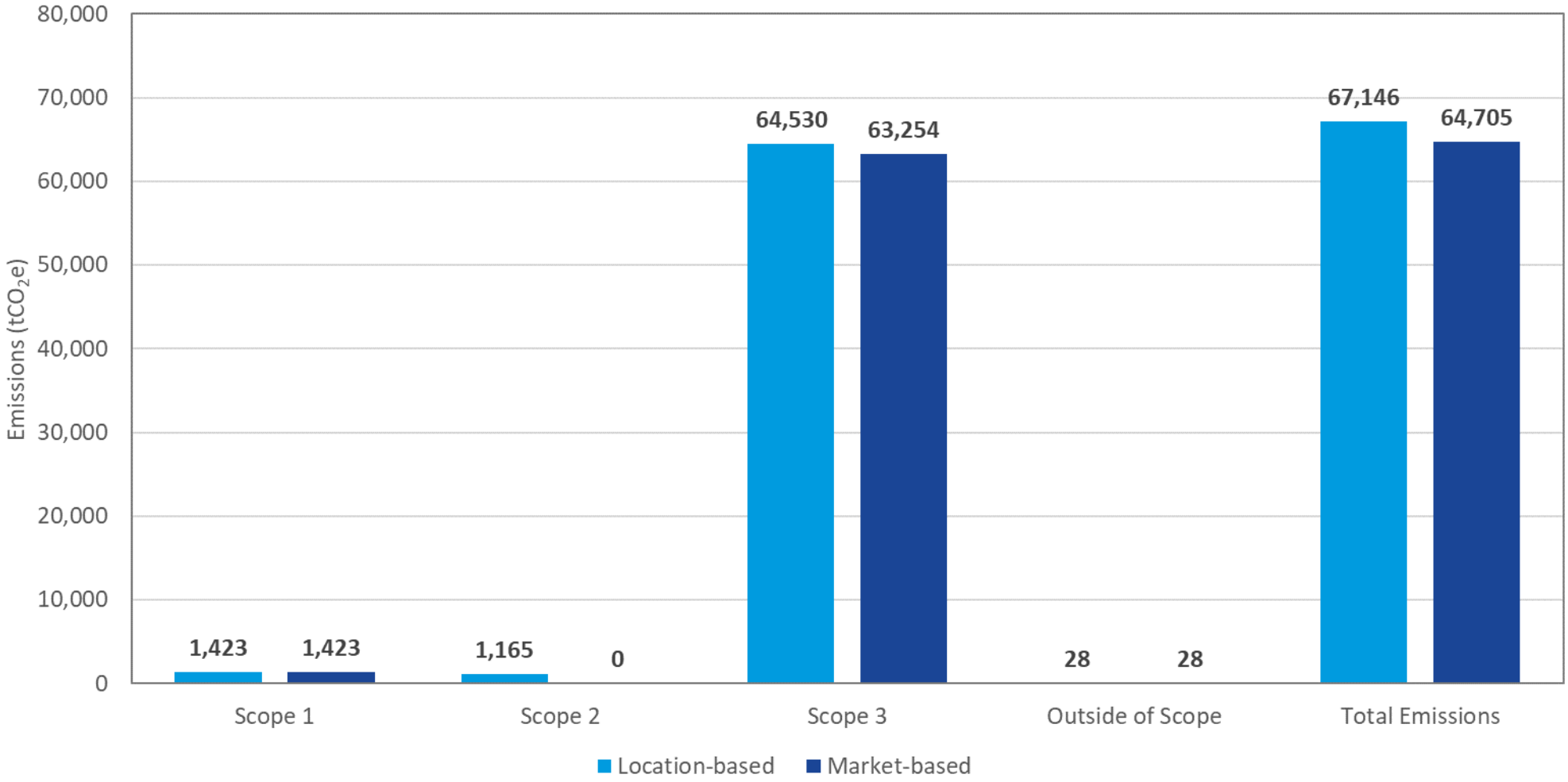
ANNUAL EMISSIONS BY SOURCE

Location Based tCO_2e	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Scope 1 – Total	**1,385**	**1,351**	**1,162**	**1,523**	**1,423**
Natural gas	921	988	986	1,109	985
Airport operational vehicles	153	137	85	134	112
Fuel (heating and power)	0	8	33	21	21
Refrigerants	225	43	4	8	10
Airport de-icer	0	0	0	199	245
Fire training	85	175	55	51	49
Scope 2 – Total	**4,224**	**1,621**	**1,165**	**1,243**	**1,165**
Airport electricity	4,224	1,621	1,165	1,243	1,165
Scope 3 - Total	**70,656**	**73,195**	**41,168**	**48,530**	**64,530**
Landing Take-off (LTO)	44,764	43,634	28,967	34,206	45,255
Passenger surface access	20,910	19,895	7,396	8,467	13,358
Tenant natural gas	127	121	57	48	54
Tenant electricity	1,958	2,191	1,596	1,434	1,276
Electricity WTT *(reported since 2021)*	0	0	0	759	637
Electricity T&D	360	324	237	237	223
Waste	873	556	52	153	4
Staff commute	356	5,476	1,211	2,387	2,211
Third party operational vehicles	771	631	412	435	595
Third party de-icer *(reported since 2021)*	0	0	169	241	377
Aircraft engine tests	423	251	969	126	488
Water	109	108	99	38	46
Business travel	4	11	2	0	6
Out of Scopes – Total	**4**	**6**	**6**	**8**	**28**
Diesel OoS	3	6	5	7	25
Petrol OoS	0	0	0	1	1
Fire training OoS	0	0	0	0	2
Total	**76,268**	**76,174**	**43,502**	**51,304**	**67,146**

CARBON FOOTPRINT

LOCATION v MARKET BASED 2022

Scope 2 and 3 emissions due to electricity consumption (airport and tenant), calculated using either the location or market based emissions factors.



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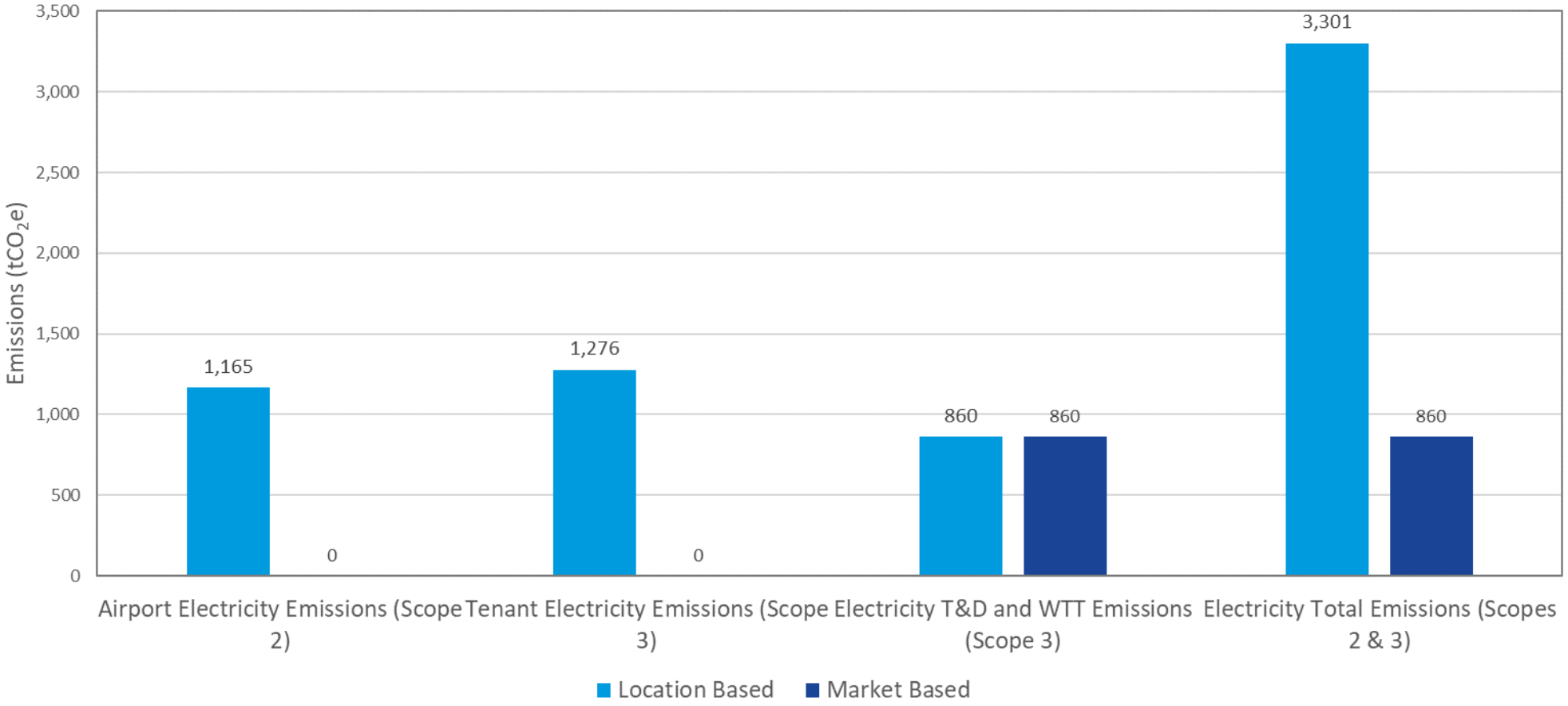
LOCATION v MARKET BASED 2022

Emissions totals by scope calculated using either the location or market based emissions factors. Tenant energy is included in Scope 3.



METHODOLOGY

THE FOLLOWING SECTIONS PROVIDE A SUMMARY OF THE METHODOLOGY ADOPTED BY RICARDO TO CALCULATE THE 2022 FOOTPRINT FOR ABERDEEN

The standard approach to carbon footprinting is to use the Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Protocol Corporate Accounting and Reporting Standard developed by World Business Council for Sustainable Development (WBCSD) and the World Resources Institute (WRI); this sets out a corporate accounting and reporting methodology for GHGs.

SCOPE 1 EMISSIONS

Scope 1 emissions are defined as direct GHG emissions arising from sources that are owned or controlled by the company. The emissions result from activities that the company can have direct influence on through its actions. Airports' emissions that are included are: natural gas use, company owned vehicles fuel use, fuel use for business travel, refrigerant gas use (from leaks during maintenance or malfunction), wood pallets and diesel use for fire training, propane combustion and kerosene combustion.

SCOPE 2 EMISSIONS

Scope 2 emissions are associated with the use of electricity imported from the grid or from a third-party supplier of energy in the form of heat or electricity. These indirect GHG emissions are due to upstream emissions from the production and delivery of fuel to power stations. The airport can influence the amount of electricity it uses; however, it has little control over the generation of the electricity and these emissions are therefore classed as Scope 2.

SCOPE 3 EMISSIONS

Scope 3 emissions are defined as those arising as an indirect consequence of the use of goods or services provided by the company. The airport does have some influence over Scope 3 emissions but the activities are not under its control. Sources included by the airport include aircraft (all aircraft movements up to a height of 1,000m above aerodrome level), employees commuting to the airport, passenger surface access to the airport, airside vehicle activities by third party operators, waste disposal, water (supply and treatment), airport business travel and engine testing.

OUTSIDE OF SCOPE EMISSIONS

As per UK Government GHG Conversion Factors for Company Reporting guidance, Outside of Scope factors have been used to account for the direct carbon dioxide (CO_2) impact of burning biomass and biofuels. The emissions are labelled 'outside of scope' because the Scope 1 impact of these fuels has been determined to be a net '0' (since the fuel source itself absorbs an equivalent amount of CO_2 during the growth phase as the amount of CO_2 released through combustion). As a result, full reporting of any fuel from a biogenic source have included the 'outside of scope' CO_2 value, documented to ensure complete accounting for the emissions created.

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The uncertainties associated with carbon footprint calculations can be broadly categorised into scientific uncertainty and estimation uncertainty. Scientific uncertainty arises when the science of the actual emission and/or removal process is not completely understood. For example GWP values involve significant scientific uncertainty. Estimation uncertainty arises any time GHG emissions are quantified. Estimations have been made within this footprint where areas of uncertainty have arisen.

PASSENGER SURFACE ACCESS

Emissions are based on a survey undertaken in 2018, scaled to 2022 ABZ passenger numbers. Information was collated on the mode of travel and location of those who answered the survey. Methodology has been improved in the 2020, 2021 and 2022 calculations.

STAFF COMMUTE

For staff commute, the 2022 staff travel survey data was utilised. There were 42 respondents, and so final data was scaled to the full 60 Aberdeen staff in 2022. The survey respondents provided information on their modes of transport, distance travelled to work and number of days worked per week. There were 234 responses for third party employees, which was scaled up to the full 1776 active third party passes. The survey respondents provided information on their modes of transport, distance travelled to work and number of days worked per week. This was scaled up to reflect a full working year by assuming that there are 250 working days per year (Mon-Fri) and each staff member has 25 days of leave per year.

Total annual distance travelled was converted to emissions using the appropriate emissions factors from UK Government GHG Conversion Factors for Company Reporting.

AIRCRAFT ENGINE TESTING

To calculate the emissions from engine testing at Aberdeen Airport, the aircraft ICAO type, date of test and duration of test was provided. In order to address any unidentified ICAO codes within the dataset, a process was implemented to match these codes with their corresponding counterparts, utilising the aircraft registrations that were provided. A similar process was carried out to identify the aircraft engine type and fuel used per second as per the LTO cycle detailed here. Other assumptions used for the calculations are:

- Only one engine was tested
- High power testing occurred for 10% of the full test time
- Helicopter engine test data could not be provided, therefore this was estimated using previous years data
- High power testing occurred for 10% of the full test time

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BUSINESS TRAVEL

Accounts data was provided for business travel (Scope 1 & 3). All transport mode data was provided in £ value and converted to distance travelled using the cost/km from Carbon Footprint and Project Register Tool (CFPRT). The CFPRT collates cost data for all forms of public transport across the UK, and is managed and updated by Sustainable Network Scotland and Resource Efficient Scotland.

Distance travelled was converted to emissions using the appropriate emissions factors from UK Government GHG Conversion Factors for Company Reporting. Where destination and transport data had been provided, we employed the distance calculation tool provided by distance.to in order to determine the distance involved. Subsequently, this distance was utilized to compute the corresponding emissions generated by the specific mode of transportation in question.

UTILITIES

Utility emissions include: Electricity (Aberdeen Airport and third parties), natural gas, fuel used for heating and power, water supply and wastewater treatment, de-icer usage (aircraft and ground), and refrigerant lost to atmosphere from cooling systems. Data was provided by Aberdeen Airport and converted to emissions using the appropriate emissions factors from UK Government GHG Conversion Factors for Company Reporting.

OPERATIONAL VEHICLES

Operational vehicle fuel use was calculated by using fuel volume data provided by Aberdeen Airport for their own and third party operations, including fuel used in off-road construction vehicles. Fuel volume was converted to emissions using the appropriate emissions factors from UK Government GHG Conversion Factors for Company Reporting.

WASTE

A full breakdown of waste type, tonnage and destination (e.g. combustion, recycling) was provided by Aberdeen Airport's waste management provider for 2022. The emissions for waste disposal were calculated by using the appropriate factors from UK Government GHG Conversion Factors for Company Reporting. Virgin material production was not calculated in waste, as this was accounted for in supply chain emissions.

METHODOLOGY

LANDING TAKE-OFF CYCLE (LTO)

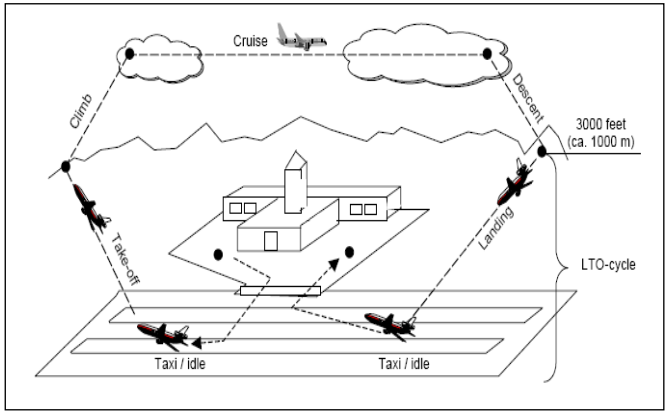
The LTO cycle is split into several stages which are shown in the diagram below, and consist of all fuel consuming movements below 1,000m altitude. The emissions from aircraft above 1,000m are calculated separately as Climb, Cruise and Descent (CCD) emissions, and have been included within Aberdeen Airport's footprint for the first time as of 2022.

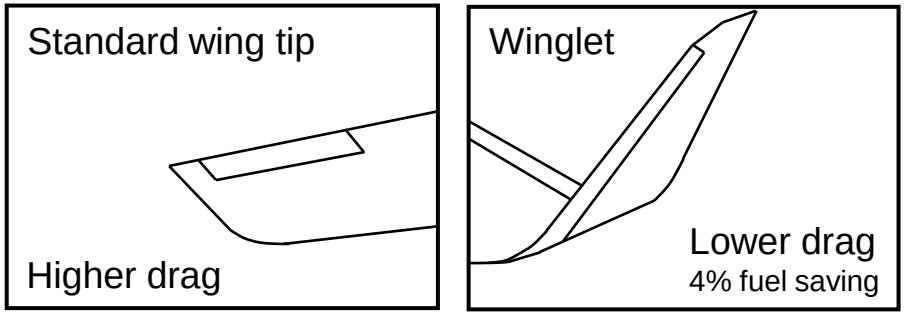
Fuel usage for each aircraft from the LTO cycle are calculated by using fuel burn rates (kg/second) from the ICAO Databank (Jet engines) or FOCA Aircraft Piston Engine database (Piston engines) for each aircraft, multiplied by the time the aircraft spends in each section of the LTO cycle (e.g. Taxi Out, Initial Climb). Fuel use is then converted to carbon emissions using the emissions factor for aviation fuel provided by the UK Government.

Additional efforts have been made to improve the accuracy of the LTO calculations in 2022 to reflect the impact of aircraft fuel efficiency improvements that were not otherwise captured by the methodology used in previous years.

One improvement to the methodology was accounting for the fuel savings from the use of wingtips on aircraft. New designs for the tips of the aircraft wings can reduce drag and improve fuel efficiency. An example of a modern wingtip design is shown below.

Wingtips can reduce fuel burn by 4-6% for larger aircraft, which reduces the carbon emissions by the same amount. A 4% reduction in fuel use was used as a conservative estimate of fuel burn savings for the calculations for Aberdeen Airport's LTO emissions. Note that wing tip fuel burn savings only apply to the following LTO stages: Take-off, Initial climb, Climb out.





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