

# Climate MRV for Africa – Phase 2 Development of National GHG Inventory Lime production (IPPU)



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# Lime Global Production and Uses

## Use of Lime

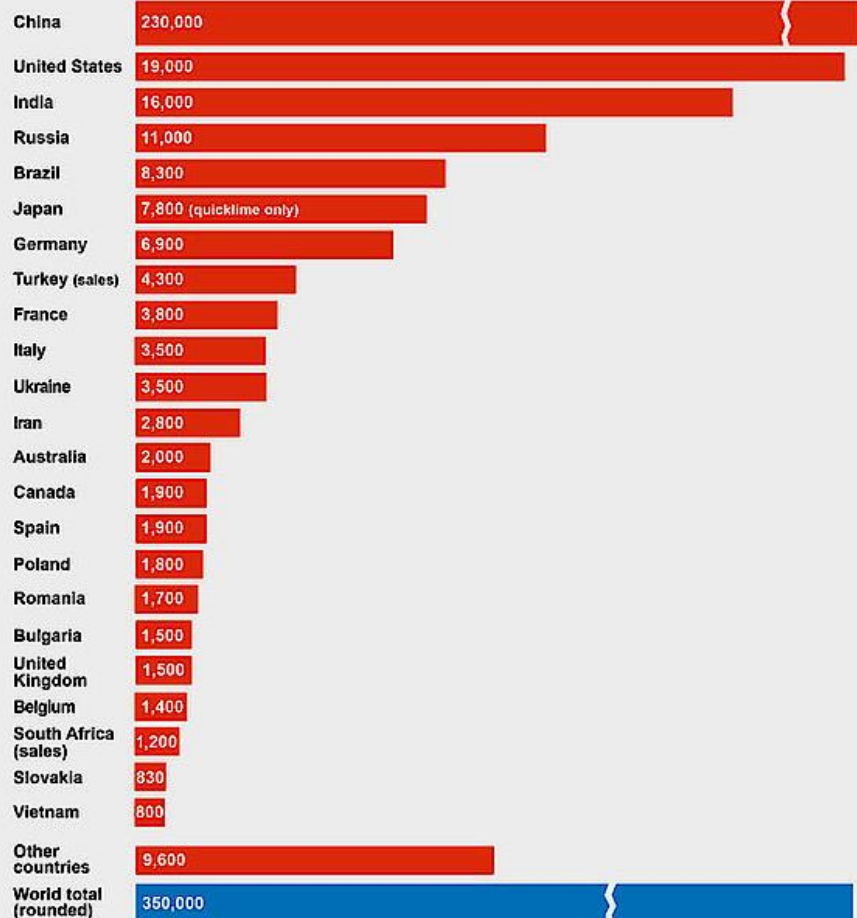
### Lime is used in different forms:

- \* as uncalcined calcium carbonate ( $\text{CaCO}_3$ )
- \* as burnt lime or quick lime ( $\text{CaO}$ )
- \* as hydrated lime  $\text{Ca(OH)}_2$

### Lime is a key component in:

- **Iron and Steel**
- **Construction and Building**
- **Water and Flue Gas**
- **Industrial Chemicals**
- **Agriculture, Forestry and Food**

## World Lime Production 2015 (in thousand metric tons)



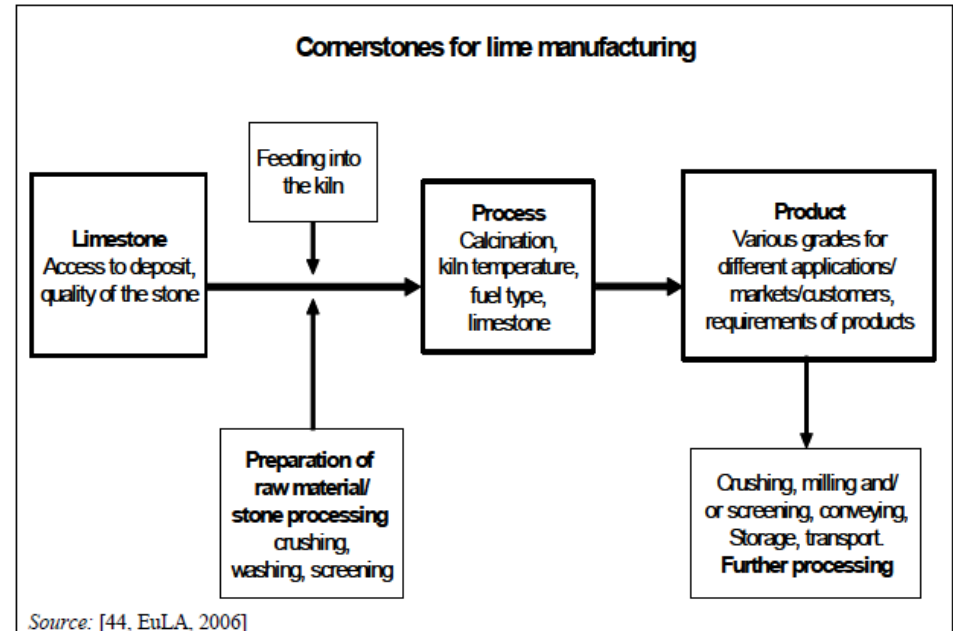
Source: U.S. Geological Survey, January 2015

# Emissions Potential for the Category

## Lime production steps:

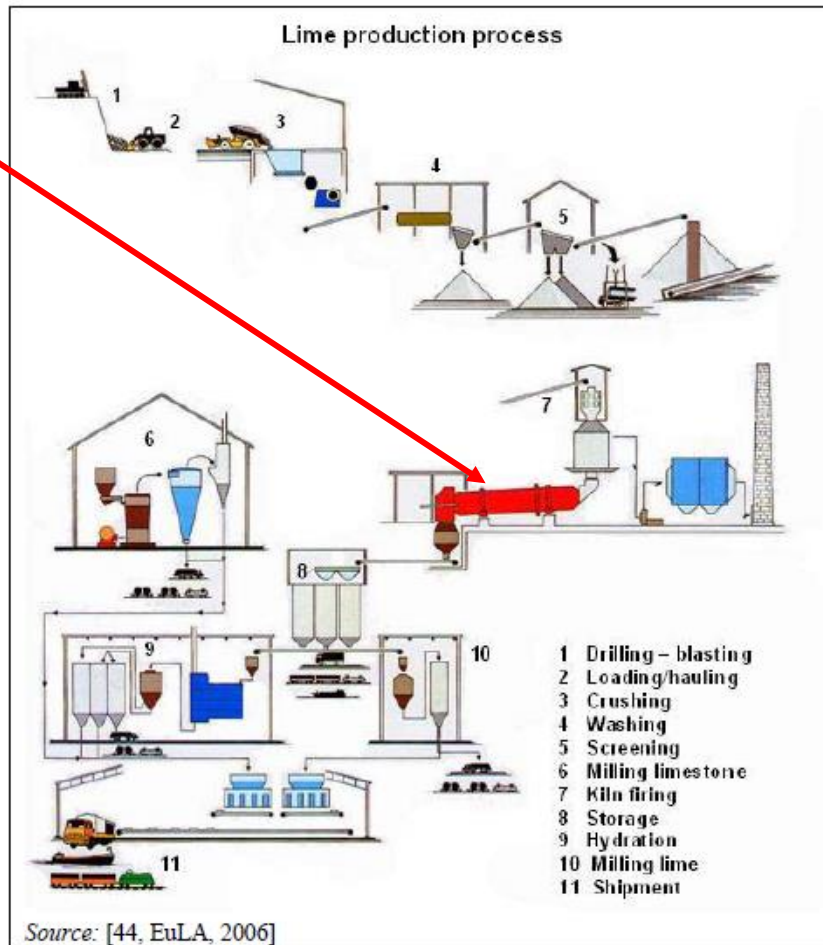
- Quarrying of raw materials,
- Crushing and sizing
- Calcining the raw materials to produce lime.

If required, lime could be hydrated to produce calcium hydroxide



# Lime Production and Emissions Sources

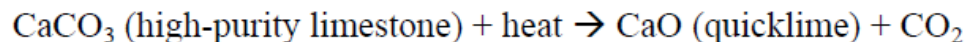
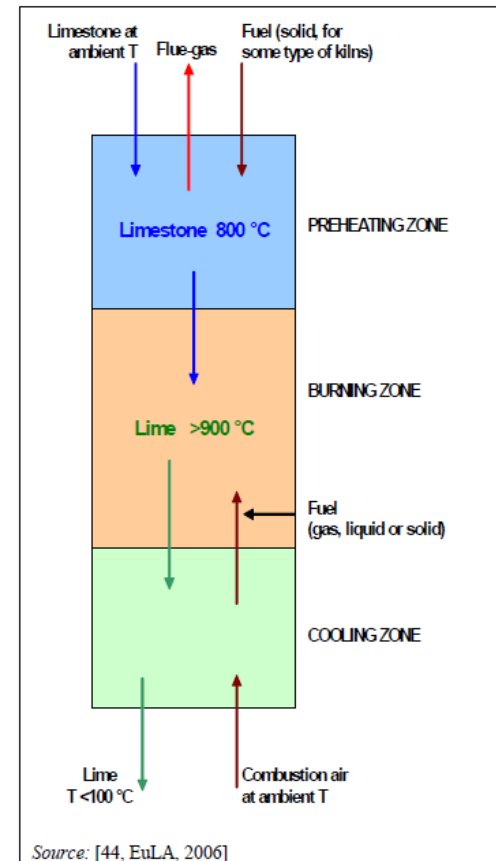
**CaCO<sub>3</sub>**  
**Calcination**



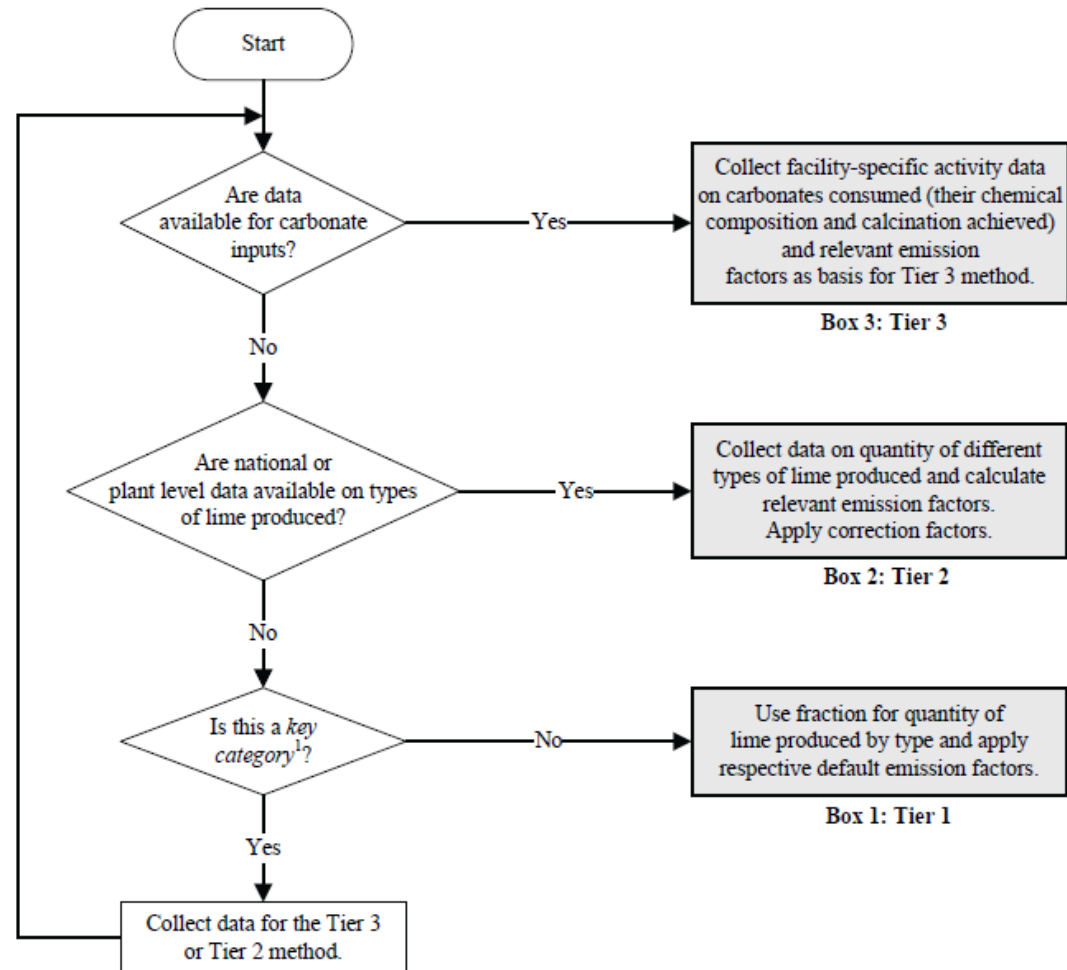
- Limestone: > 90% CaCO<sub>3</sub> and a few per cent MgCO<sub>3</sub>.
- Dolomite: 54–58% CaCO<sub>3</sub> and 40–44% MgCO<sub>3</sub>.
- Dolomitic limestone: MgCO<sub>3</sub> higher than limestone but less than dolomite.

# Emissions Potential for the Category

- Calcium Oxide (CaO) is formed by heating limestone to decompose the carbonates.
- Dolomite and dolomitic (high magnesium) limestones may also be processed at high temperature to obtain dolomitic lime (and release CO<sub>2</sub>)



# Decision Tree for Lime Production Emissions



# 2A2: Lime Production Emissions

## Tier 1 Method

# IPCC 2006: Tier 1 Method

## EQUATION 2.8

### TIER 1 DEFAULT EMISSION FACTOR FOR LIME PRODUCTION

$$\begin{aligned}EF_{Lime} &= 0.85 \cdot EF_{high\ calcium\ lime} + 0.15 \cdot EF_{dolomitic\ lime} \\ &= 0.85 \cdot 0.75 + 0.15 \cdot 0.77^a \\ &= 0.6375 + 0.1155 \\ &= 0.75 \text{ tonnes CO}_2 / \text{tonne lime produced}\end{aligned}$$

Notes on defaults in Equation 2.8

- a: The default EF for dolomitic lime may be 0.86 or 0.77 depending on the technology used for lime production. See Table 2.4.

Source: IPCC 2006 Vol. 3, Ch. 2, Eq. 2.8



# Tier 1 Emission Factors

**TABLE 2.4**  
**BASIC PARAMETERS FOR THE CALCULATION OF EMISSION FACTORS FOR LIME PRODUCTION**

Lime Type	Stoichiometric Ratio [tonnes CO <sub>2</sub> per tonne CaO or CaO·MgO] (1)	Range of CaO Content [%]	Range of MgO Content <sup>d</sup> [%]	Default Value for CaO or CaO·MgO Content [fraction] (2)	Default Emission Factor [tonnes CO <sub>2</sub> per tonne lime] (1) • (2)
High-calcium lime <sup>a</sup>	0.785	93-98	0.3-2.5	0.95	0.75
Dolomitic lime <sup>b</sup>	0.913	55-57	38-41	0.95 or 0.85 <sup>c</sup>	0.86 or 0.77 <sup>c</sup>
Hydraulic lime <sup>b</sup>	0.785	65-92 <sup>e</sup>	NA	0.75 <sup>e</sup>	0.59

<sup>c</sup> This value depends on technology used for lime production. The higher value is suggested for developed countries, the lower for developing ones.

Source: IPCC 2006 Vol. 3, Ch. 2, Table 2.4

# Tier 1 Activity Data

- Some industries produce lime and consume it for their operations. This quantity of lime may never be introduced into the market.
- It is important when collecting activity data for lime production that both marketed and non-marketed lime production are included.
- It is suggested that inventory compilers identify potential industries where non-marketed lime may be produced (e.g. metallurgy and water softeners).
- If there is no disaggregated data for the breakdown of lime types, it is *good practice* to assume: 85 % is high-calcium lime and 15 % dolomitic lime and 0% of hydraulic lime.

# Tier 1 Uncertainty

Uncertainty estimates for lime production result mainly from uncertainties associated with activity data, and to a lesser extent from uncertainty related to the emission factor.

Uncertainty	Comment	Tier
4-8%	Uncertainty in assuming an average CaO in lime	1, 2
2%	Emission factor high calcium lime	1, 2
2%	Emission factor dolomitic lime	1, 2
15%	Emission factor hydraulic lime	1, 2
5%	Correction for hydrated lime	1, 2
	Order of magnitude errors possible if non-marketed lime production is not estimated	1, 2, 3
1-2%	Uncertainty of plant-level lime production data. Plants generally do not determine output better than this. Assumes complete reporting.	2
See Table 2.3	Correction for LKD	2, 3
1-3%	Error in assuming 100% carbonate source from limestone (vs. other feeds).	3
1-3%	Uncertainty of plant-level weighing of raw materials	3

Source: Based on expert judgment.

# Tier 2 Method

# IPCC 2006: Tier 2 Method

## EQUATION 2.6

### TIER 2: EMISSIONS BASED ON NATIONAL LIME PRODUCTION DATA BY TYPE

$$CO_2 \text{ Emissions} = \sum_i (EF_{lime,i} \cdot M_{l,i} \cdot CF_{lkd,i} \cdot C_{h,i})$$

Where:

$CO_2$  Emissions = emissions of  $CO_2$  from lime production, tonnes

$EF_{lime,i}$  = emission factor for lime of type  $i$ , tonnes  $CO_2$ /tonne lime (see Equation 2.9)

$M_{l,i}$  = lime production of type  $i$ , tonnes

$CF_{lkd,i}$  = correction factor for LKD for lime of type  $i$ , dimensionless

This correction can be accounted for in a similar way as for CKD (Equation 2.5, but omitting the factor  $(EF_c/EF_{cl})$ )

$C_{h,i}$  = correction factor for hydrated lime of the type  $i$  of lime, dimensionless (See discussion under Section 2.3.1.3, Choice of Activity Data.)

$i$  = each of the specific lime types listed in Table 2.4

# IPCC 2006: Tier 2 Method

## EQUATION 2.9 TIER 2 EMISSION FACTORS FOR LIME PRODUCTION

$$EF_{lime,a} = SR_{CaO} \cdot CaO \text{ Content}$$

$$EF_{lime,b} = SR_{CaO \cdot MgO} \cdot CaO \cdot MgO \text{ Content}$$

$$EF_{lime,c} = SR_{CaO} \cdot CaO \text{ Content}$$

Where:

$EF_{lime,a}$  = emission factor for quicklime (high-calcium lime), tonnes CO<sub>2</sub>/tonne lime

$EF_{lime,b}$  = emission factor for dolomitic lime, tonnes CO<sub>2</sub>/tonne lime

$EF_{lime,c}$  = emission factor for hydraulic lime, tonnes CO<sub>2</sub>/tonne lime

$SR_{CaO}$  = stoichiometric ratio of CO<sub>2</sub> and CaO (see Table 2.4), tonnes CO<sub>2</sub>/tonne CaO

$SR_{CaO \cdot MgO}$  = stoichiometric ratio of CO<sub>2</sub> and CaO·MgO (see Table 2.4), tonnes CO<sub>2</sub>/tonne CaO·MgO

CaO Content = CaO content (see Table 2.4), tonnes CaO/tonne lime

CaO·MgO Content = CaO·MgO content (see Table 2.4), tonnes CaO·MgO/tonne lime

# Tier 2 Activity Data & Sources

- It is important to collect disaggregated data for the three types of lime:
  - High-calcium lime ( $\text{CaO}$  + impurities);
  - Dolomitic lime ( $\text{CaO}\cdot\text{MgO}$  + impurities);
  - Hydraulic lime ( $\text{CaO}$  + hydraulic calcium silicates).
- It is important to correct for the proportion of hydrated lime in production.
- Data should be collected on all non-carbonate sources of  $\text{CaO}$  (if applicable).

# **Tier 3 Method**



# IPCC 2006: Tier 3 Method

- Tier 3 is based on the collection of plant-specific data on the type(s) and quantity(ies) of carbonate(s) consumed to produce lime.
- Also, the respective emission factor(s) of the carbonate(s) consumed should be employed.

# Tier 3 Method Emission Factor

## EQUATION 2.7

### TIER 3: EMISSIONS BASED ON CARBONATE INPUTS

$$CO_2 \text{ Emissions} = \sum_i (EF_i \cdot M_i \cdot F_i) - M_d \cdot C_d \cdot (1 - F_d) \cdot EF_d$$

Where:

$CO_2$  Emissions = emissions of  $CO_2$  from lime production, tonnes

$EF_i$  = emission factor for carbonate  $i$ , tonnes  $CO_2$ /tonne carbonate (see Table 2.1)

$M_i$  = weight or mass of carbonate  $i$  consumed, tonnes

$F_i$  = fraction calcination achieved for carbonate  $i$ , fraction<sup>a</sup>

$M_d$  = weight or mass of LKD, tonnes

$C_d$  = weight fraction of original carbonate in the LKD, fraction<sup>a</sup>. This factor can be accounted for in a similar way as CKD.

$F_d$  = fraction calcination achieved for LKD, fraction<sup>a</sup>

$EF_d$  = emission factor for the uncalcined carbonate in LKD, tonnes  $CO_2$ /tonne carbonate<sup>b</sup>

# Tier 3 Activity Data & Sources

- It is *good practice* to collect plant specific data for the weight fraction of carbonate(s) consumed for lime production and the fraction of calcination achieved.
- Data should also be collected for the amount (dry weight) and composition of **LKD (Lime Kiln Dust)** produced.
- Emissions from LKD should be subtracted from the Tier 3 estimates.

# Lime Kiln Dust (LKD)



# Tier 3 Uncertainty

- There is little uncertainty associated with the emission factor component in the Tier 3 approach.
- There is significant uncertainty associated with quantifying the mass of LKD produced and the degree of calcination (and thus emissions) of LKD.
- It can be assumed that the uncertainty associated with estimating LKD is at least equal to and likely greater than, the uncertainty associated with **CKD (Cement Kiln Dust)**.
- Where ranges are given for the default uncertainties, the mid-range should be used unless the upper or lower estimates are more reflective of country-specific circumstances.

# QA/QC for Lime Emissions

- **Recommendation 1:** When bottom-up data are applied (Tiers 2 & 3), make a comparison with the results of the top-down, Tier 1 approach.
- **Recommendation 2:** Compare national emission factors to IPCC default factors and explain the differences.
- **Recommendation 3:** Compare Activity Data between sites to identify inconsistencies

# Considerations for Reporting

- It is *good practice* to document and archive all information required to produce the GHG inventory estimates.
- When reporting on CO<sub>2</sub> recovery from sugar refining, precipitated calcium carbonate or water softening under Category 2H, detailed information should be reported on the methods used for calculating emissions recovered.
- Inventory compilers should document procedures undertaken to ensure that both marketed and non-marketed lime production are reported.

# Considerations for Reporting

- **Tier 2:** The procedures used to identify the CaO and/or CaO·MgO content of lime, as well as non-carbonate feeds to lime kiln also should be reported.
- **Tier 3:** Data on the quantity and fraction of calcination achieved of LKD should be collected.
- All underlying information should be documented and reported, it is not considered *good practice* to report just final emissions estimates.



# Thank you!

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