

SHORT SUMMARY

In "Austria's Annual Greenhouse Gas Inventory 1990–2018" the Umweltbundesamt presents updated figures of greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions in Austria including the first six years of the second commitment period under the Kyoto-Protocol. In 2018 GHG emissions amounted to 79.0 million tonnes of CO₂ equivalents. This corresponds to a 0.7% increase against 1990 and a 3.7% decrease compared to 2017. Key drivers for the development 2017–2018 were the decreasing electricity production from natural gas power plants as well as lower production of iron and steel.

GHG emissions according to Article 2(1) of Decision No. 406/2009/EC ("Effort Sharing Decision") amounted to 50.5 Mt CO₂ equivalents in 2018 and were thus 1.6 Mt CO₂ equivalents above the annual emission allocation for 2018. Content and format of this report are in accordance with the obligations under the GHG Monitoring Mechanism Regulation (EU) No. 525/2013.