THE JOURNEY FROM 16 IMPACT CATEGORIES TO ONE SINGLE SCORE

Impact Categories

16 environmental impact categories describe how humans harm the planet through production and construction.

Normalization

The impact categories are measured in different units. To be able to compare them to each other, results from each category are converted into a common reference unit. This process is called normalization. The common reference unit in PEF LCA is the environmental impacts of an average global person over one year.

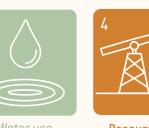
Weighting

Not all impact categories are considered equally important. To get the weighted results, the normalized results are multiplied by their weighting factor*.

Now, the product's impact on the environmental categories is comparable.









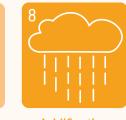






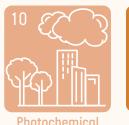


Acidification









minerals and metals







terrestrial



marine

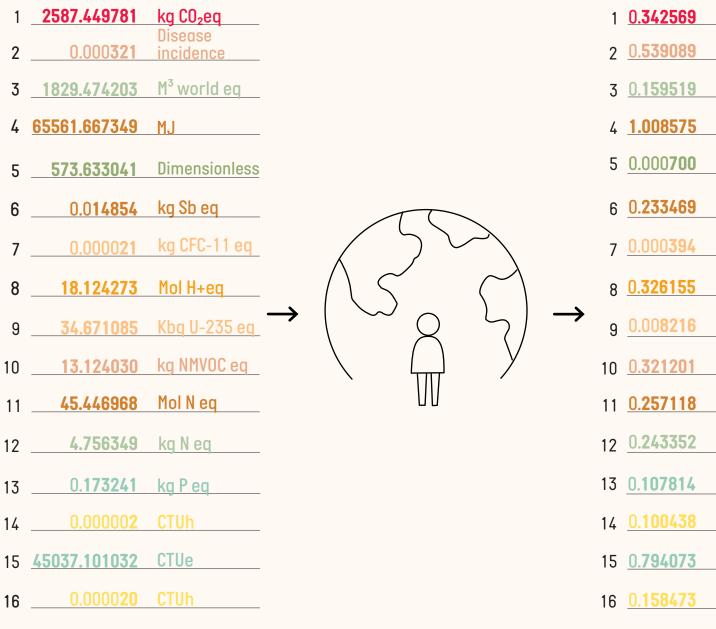
freshwater



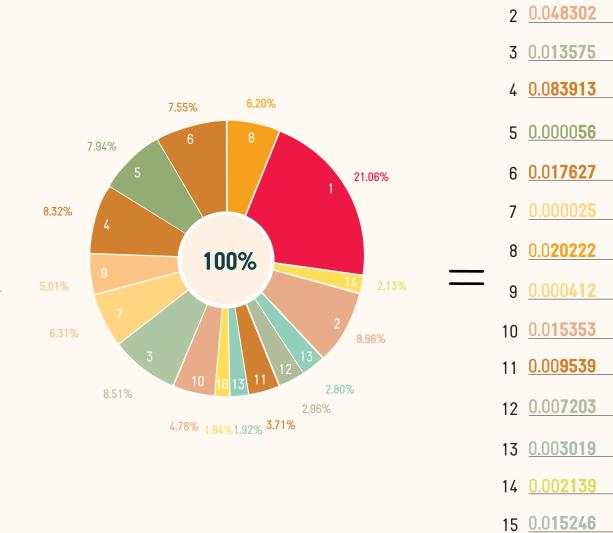












0.311692 PEF single score

16 <u>0.00**2916**</u>

1 0.0**72145**

PEF single score = 0.311692

The single score reflects the overall environmental performance of a product. The single score is obtained by adding up all the weighted results.

