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Wood Flow Model in Austria

drawing the bigger picture

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Austrian Energy Agency – in a Nutshell

- Austria's national energy agency (*1977)
- 80 employees, 7 million € annual turnover
- independent think tank: from basic decision-making to implementation

President:
Minister of Environment
Josef Pröll



Vice -President:
Minister of Economy
Martin Bartenstein



Vice-President:
Governor of Styria
Franz Voves



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klima:aktiv


The core element of the climate protection initiative launched by the Federal Ministry of the Environment and managed by the **Austrian Energy Agency**

23 programmes provide and aim at

- **information and awareness raising**
- **consultancy and training**
- **market transformation**
- **introduction of quality standards**

in close co-operation with market actors and regions

Volume: 10 million Euro

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klima:aktiv program „timber for energetic use“

- lasting 4 years
- goal: support in mobilisation of not yet used resources of timber for energetic use (goal + 2 mio. m³ per year from 2007/2008)
- workpackages:
 - WP1: building an strengthen networks
 - WP2: improvement of transparency on the market
 - WP3: improvement of services
 - WP4: steps for increasing energy efficiency
 - WP5: improvement of education
 - WP6: strengthen R&D activities
 - WP7: political lobbying
- resources:
 - 1 program manager, 3 assistances

Situation in Austria

- **Austria: 83.871 km²**
- **of which 47% covered forest**
- **steep alpine region**
- **22 million m³ annual cut, 7.6 million m³ additional potential for forest biomass**
- **13.7 million m³ import, 9.9 million m³ export**

- **long tradition in forestry -> high expertise, but complex structures**

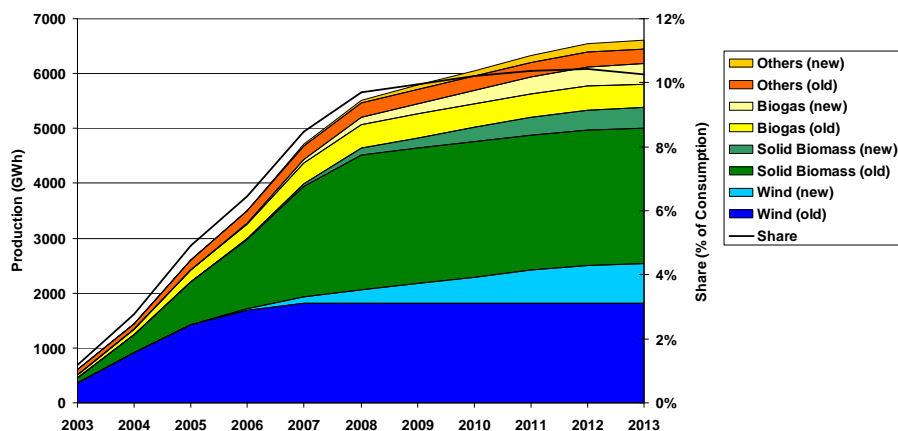
General information

- shortage of resources
- rising prices
- rising energyconsumtion

thus we know we need

- mobilisation of timber in the forests
- improving energy efficiency for the timber sector
- Short Rotation Forestry

Development of eco-electricity in Austria



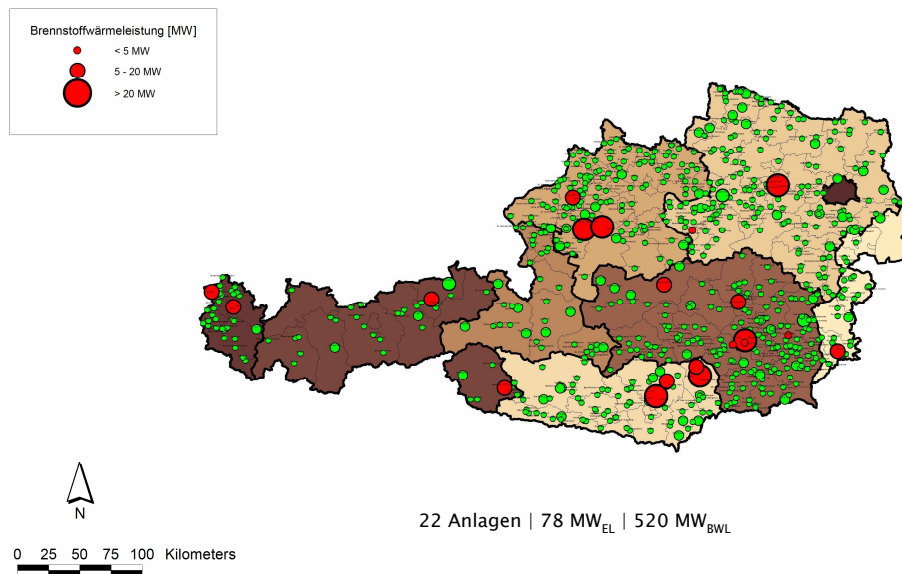
Eco-electricity biomass power plant Example of Wien Energie

- investment
52 Mio. €;
66 MW heat load,
15 MW/25 MW_{el}
- Fuel demand
600.000 m³/year
190.000 t/year resp.



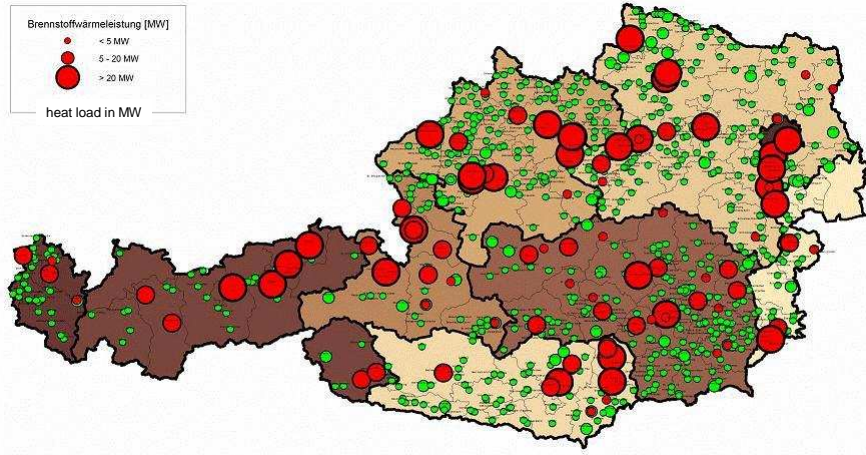
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Biomasse-KWK-Projekte in Österreich | Stand 2002



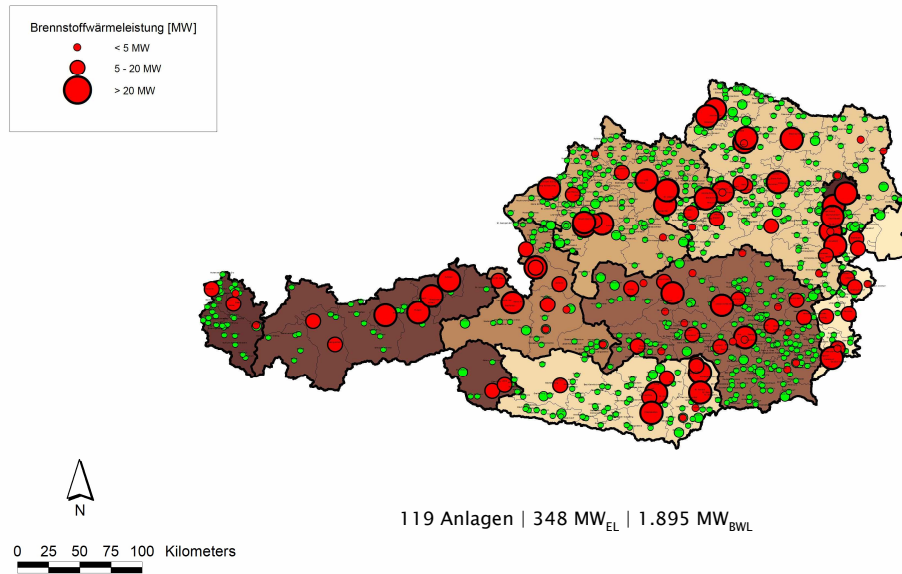
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Location of biomass CHPs (2006)



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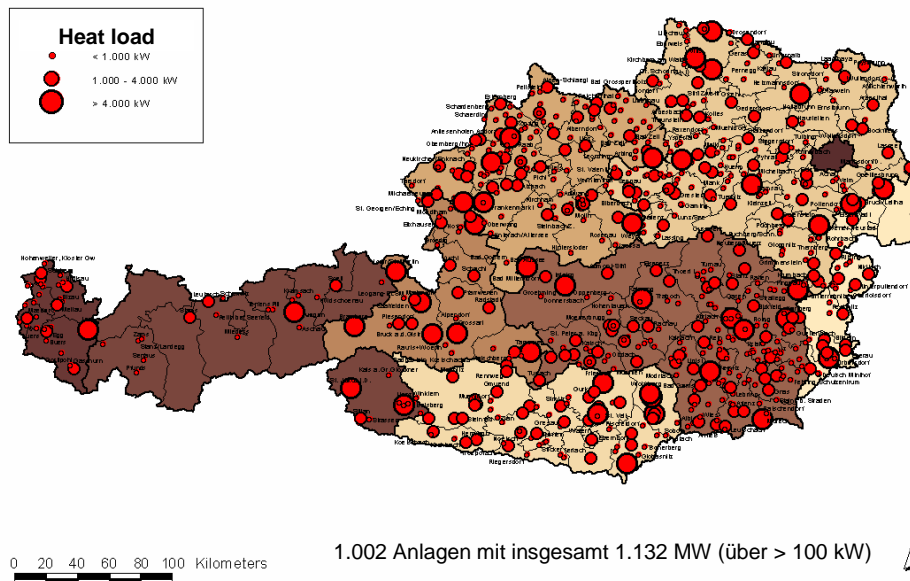
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Heat production with biomass: District heating

- 500 kW - 30 MW
- distribution with hot water pipes
- modern flue gas cleaning
- since 1980 more than 1.000 plants, 1.000 MW heat load
- mostly based on local initiatives
- Investment subsidies 30 % (in specific cases up to 50%)



Location of biomass heating plants (2005)



Heat production with wood chips

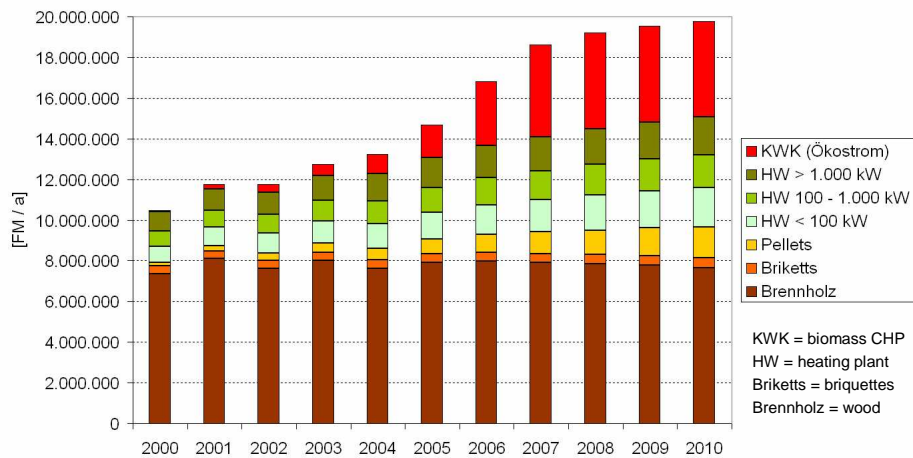


**fully automatic,
competitive**



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Biomass: High demand for fuel



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calculation of wood fuel parameters

Spreadsheet for the calculation of parameters and prices of wood fuel assortments

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Please enter your variables in the light red cells.
For the calculations to work as intended, macros have to be activated in the Excel settings (Tools | Macro | Security | Security level set to "Medium".
Move the mouse over the red triangle in the respective cells to show the hidden comments containing additional information on the respective parameters.

Parameters	Wood species	Wood species			Bark	Compressed wood	Other
		coniferous wood	Spruce	Beech, European			
Basic parameters	Wood species (fuel type)	coniferous wood (CV)	Spruce	Beech, European	bark CV	wood pellets	natural gas
Fuel group	Assignment to fuel group	CV (mixed)	coniferous wood (CV)	non-coniferous wood (NCV)	bark CV	compressed wood	fossil
Assortment	Selection in the drop-down menu	wood chips G30	solid wood mass	split firewood (1 m)	bark chippings (loose)		
Conversion factor	$\frac{m^3(\text{stacked})}{m^3(\text{solid})}$	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Unit	Estimated unit	m ³ (loose)	m ³ (solid)	m ³ (stacked)	m ³ (loose)	1 FS	m ³
Moisture	Moisture content (MC)	35.0	40.0	20.0	50.0	0.0	0.0
Hydrogen content (H)	Hydrogen content (H)	6.2	6.2	6.0	6.2	6.2	23.6
Higher heating value (HHV)	HHV of dry matter (DM)	19.4	19.4	19.3	19.4	19.4	45.29
Lower heating value (LHV)	LHV of dry matter (DM)	16.6	16.6	16.7	16.6	16.6	33.7
LHV of DM	LHV of DM	16.6	16.6	16.7	16.6	16.6	33.7
LHV of fresh substance (FS)	LHV of FS	5.28	5.28	5.08	5.28	5.28	12.22
LHV of FS	LHV of FS	3.19	2.89	3.86	2.90	4.89	12.22
LHV of FS	LHV of FS	2.773	6.95	6.98	1.95	11.72	24.32
LHV of FS	LHV of FS	7.72	1.832	1.941	5.42	3.93	9.93
Density	Mean oven-dry density	445	430	680	445	600	0.78
Mean shrinkage	Mean shrinkage	10	10	10	10	10	0.99
Bulk density	Bulk density	242	623	502	206	652	0.78
Proportion of wood substance	Proportion of wood substance	97	98	402	98	60	0.78
Proportion of water	Proportion of water	16	253	190	19	52	0.90
Ratio m ³ per FS	Ratio m ³ per FS	4.1	1.6	2.0	4.2	15	128.1
Ash	Ash content (estimate)	150	150	100	600	0.00	0.00
Ash density (estimate)	Ash density (estimate)	700	700	700	700	700	700
Price per unit	Enter the fuel price in one of the legal units, the price will immediately be converted into the other price unit!	€/m ³ DM	€/m ³ FS	€/m ³ FS	€/m ³ FS	€/m ³ FS	€/m ³ FS
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Installation parameters	Fuel demand per year	1000	0	0	400	0	0
Fuel ratio	Fuel ratio	1000	0	0	300	0	0
Fuel volume	Fuel volume	302	0	0	96	0	0
Fuel weight	Fuel weight	302	0	0	96	0	0
Fuel weight (estimate)	Fuel weight (estimate)	11	0	0	0	0	0
Ash volume (estimate)	Ash volume (estimate)	15	0	0	0	0	0
Fuel costs per year	Fuel costs per year	29.542	0	0	6.542	0	0
Composite fuel price	Composite fuel price	17.02	0	0	0	0	0

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Fuel weight (estimate)	Fuel weight (estimate)	15	0	0	0	0	0
Ash volume (estimate)	Ash volume (estimate)	21	0	0	0	0	0
Fuel costs per year	Fuel costs per year	30,000	0	0	41,684	0	0
Composite fuel price	Composite fuel price	18.00	0	0	0	0	0

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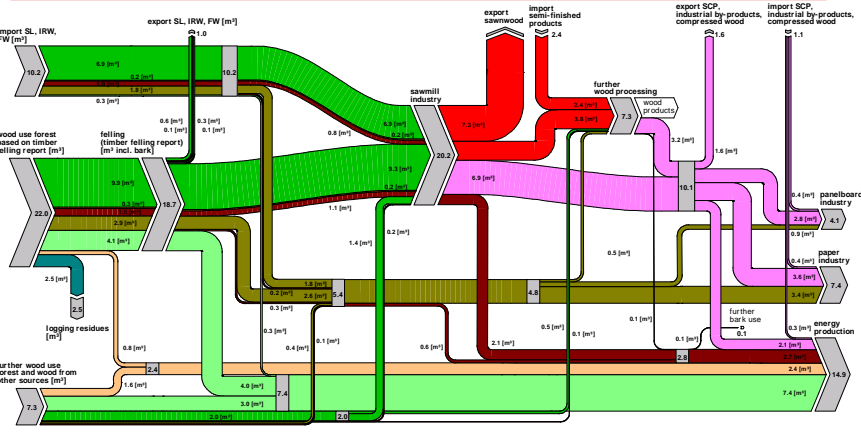
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Conversion factors for wood fuels (volume – weight – energy content)

Fuel Type	Volume (m³)	Weight (t)	Energy Content (GJ)
Spruce (Hohholz)	1.000	0.680	15.000
Pine (Hohholz)	1.000	0.680	15.000
Fir (Hohholz)	1.000	0.680	15.000
Larch (Hohholz)	1.000	0.680	15.000
Birch (Hohholz)	1.000	0.680	15.000

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Woodflow Austria 2005



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Problems in drawing the wood flow - example firewood (1)

- Investigation of data by Statistics Austria in „Microsensus Energy“ every 2 years
- 1% of Austria`s households = approx. 35.000 HH
- Model taking into account the heating days
- Longterm average approx. 65 PJ
- Suggestions for conversion

in PJ:

- Coniferous wood/non
- 20 % water content
- 660 kg lutro/m³
- approx. 9,4 PJ/million m³

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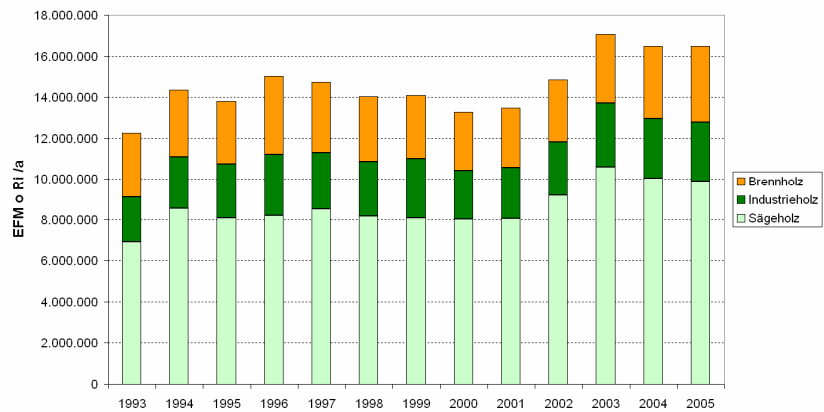
Auskunft abgelehnt → (weiter mit MZ Personenhaufigkeit)

Welche Brennstoffe verwenden Sie (Ankreuzmöglichkeiten E 1-1 bis E 1-3)

E 1-1: ... überwiegend zum Heizen (mit einer Heizung möglich)	E 1-2: ... zur Warmwasserbereitung? (Wärmbrennwertgeräten möglich)	E 1-3: ... zum Kochen (Wärmbrennwertgeräten möglich)
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Problems in drawing the wood flow - example firewood (2)

Holzeinschlag in Österreich



Source: BMLFUW

Big differences

**Cutting of firewood
by HEM:**
3 - 4 million m³
without bark per year

**Use of firewood
by Statistics Austria:**
7 - 8 million m³ / year

Explanations:

- Too low estimation of cutting figures by HEM
- Use of firewood from non-forest-areas (parks, wine yards etc.)
- Use of recycling wood for firewood (especially in rural areas)



Thank you for your attention!

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