



Federal Ministry
for the Environment, Climate Action,
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Climate action needs your initiative

The National Climate Initiative Balance Sheet 2008 - 2025



We promote climate protection

Climate protection is a highly diverse topic and therefore requires everyone's involvement in a wide variety of areas.

In 2008 the National Climate Initiative has set up a variety of funding programmes - those for local authorities, companies, educational institutions and consumers.





Our goal: climate neutrality

Germany aims to become largely greenhouse gas neutral by 2045. With great success the National Climate Initiative is working towards this goal!

2025

2030

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2045

On the following pages we are going to present some examples of our programmes and measures.





Initiate, motivate & advise

Our programmes and projects range from developing long-term strategies to providing concrete assistance and investment support measures.

Examples of the measures we take to make climate protection possible:



Utilisation of energy-saving
technologies



Advice for consumers



Construction of cycle paths

By no means that's not all.



Facts and figures



Between 2008 and 2025 we have
implemented

61,500

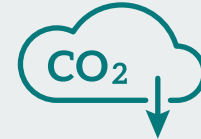
projects with a funding volume of around

€2.2 bn.



€6.8 bn.

in total investments were triggered by
the projects.

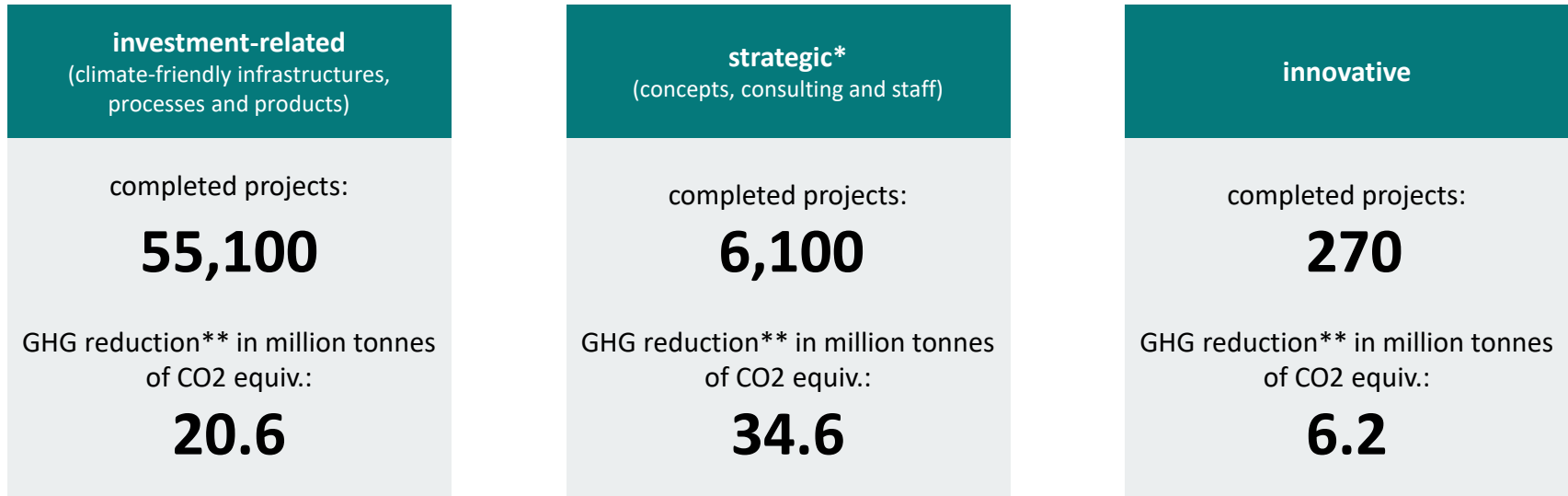


61.3 million

tonnes of CO₂-equivalent greenhouse
gas emissions lifetime savings were
achieved – thanks to the promotion of
investment and non-investment projects.



Reduction of greenhouse gas emissions by type of measure



* lifetime GHG-emissions reduction results from approx. 2,700 projects (mainly positions for climate protection management in municipalities)

** GHG-emissions reduction over the lifetime of the measures in tonnes of CO₂-equivalents (net values for investment-related and strategic)



We support climate protection advocates

More than **14,000 energy scouts** have been qualified and certified across Germany since 2013. They advise and support their companies on saving energy.

More than **3,200 companies** benefit from the energy scouts' expertise regarding energy efficiency.

Between 2008 and 2023 around **8,800 energy saving advisers** provided low-income households with tips and gave them advice on how to save energy.



More than **435,000 climate protection consultations** have taken place. Which is reducing costs and protecting the climate.

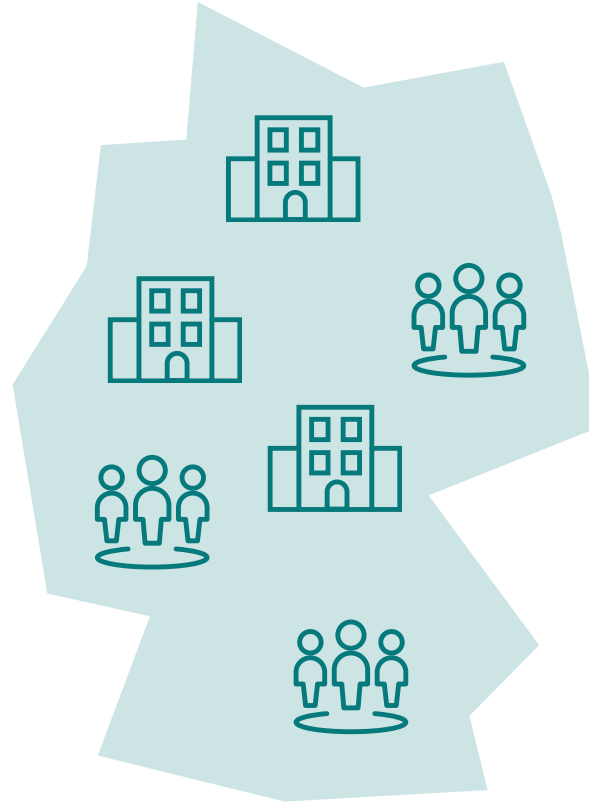
More than **1,900 climate protection managers** have been active in municipalities since 2008. They implement climate protection measures on site.



We build networks to protect the climate

More than 2,450 companies
and municipalities engage themselves ...

... in almost 220 networks to effectively reduce
consumption of energy, raw materials and
greenhouse gases.





We bring climate action into schools and nurseries



More than **4,350** energy-saving models have already been implemented not only in nurseries but also in schools.



Around **1.13 million** children and young people have been inspired to take part in activities protecting the climate. They also take their knowledge back home to their families and help to promote sustainable change.



We encourage environmentally-friendly transport



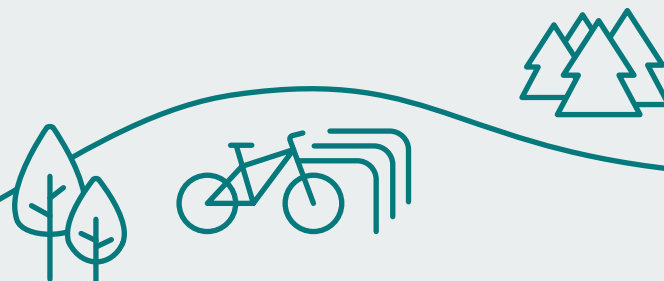
Around **460 million**

Euros funding volume have been given to make cities, municipalities and companies more bicycle-friendly. This benefits all of Germany's population – from the far north right to the south.



14,500

e-cargo bikes were subsidized for commercial load transport.



1,420

bicycle initiatives in more than **900 cities and municipalities** have been carried out so far. The projects range from bicycle lanes to charging stations for e-bikes and e-pedelecs to cargo bike rentals for businesses.



We develop innovative projects in municipalities

Since 2016 **83** Projects show innovative climate protection technologies in the following areas:



wastewater
treatment



heat supply



innovation



green energy
in the city



sustainable
mobility



agriculture



energy supply

Around **€248 million** in funding have been used to support particularly sustainable investments in municipalities.



We help to save energy with LEDs



Around **3.1 m.**
LED lights have been installed
in both, street and interior
lighting in municipalities,
educational institutions and
sports clubs.



Almost **€110 m.** per year can be saved through
these energy efficiency measures.

This has helped around **5,000 municipalities**
to save an average of
€21,900 per year.



Around **0,9 bn. kWh of**
electricity are saved each
year, which is equivalent to
the average energy usage of
around **240,000**
households.

We promote AC/heating systems and mini cogeneration units



A funding volume of around **€65 million** has been used to install more than **16,300** mini cogeneration units between 2008 and 2022. This has resulted in a **11.6-times** budget of investments totalling around **€750 million**.



A funding volume of around **€326 million** has been used to install more than **5,875** AC and heating systems in companies and municipal buildings since 2008. This has resulted in a **7.5-times** budget of investments totalling around **€2.43 billion**.



We support ideas and plans for a healthy climate



5,250 climate protection plans and feasibility studies have already been developed. They help cities and municipalities to set up valuable strategies.



300 innovative climate protection projects were funded and supported with around **€390 million**. Those projects constantly develop new approaches and intelligent ways to improve climate protection.

Further information



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