

ENV 501 / GR A3 30

Material Flow Analysis and resource management

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Course room
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Laboratory on
Computational
Human-
Environment
Relations in
Urban Systems

Fall 2025

- Understand the use and content of Input-Output Tables (IOT)
- Compare process MFA and Input-Output Analysis (IOA)
- Learn how to apply IOA
- Understand Material Flow Cost Accounting (MFCA)

8:15 - 9:00 and 9:15 - 10:00

13:15 - 14:00

14:15 - 15:00

Block I:
EW-MFA
global /
national

W1 - Sep 11

Introduction to the course and general concepts

All

Exercise

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W2 - Sep 18

EW – MFA and EW – MFA in the Swiss context

External Guest –
Florian Kohler

Exercise

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W3 – Sep 25

Examples of EW – MFA. Scaling EW-MFA to Cantons

FMC

Exercise

Project

W4 - Oct 02

Urban Metabolism and Circular Economy

FMC

Exercise

Project

W5 - Oct 09

MFA method and the Stock-Flows-Service Nexus

CRB

Exercise

Project

W6 - Oct 16

Dynamic MFA

CRB

Exercise

Project

Oct 23

Autumn break

Block II:
MFA
regional /
urban

W7 - Oct 30

Applications of MFA – case study

External Guest –
Guillaume Massard

Exercise

Project

W8 - Nov 06

Input-Output Analysis and Material Flow Cost Accounting

External Guest –
Vincent Moreau

Exercise

Project

W9 - Nov 13

Spatial MFA

FMC

Exercise

Project

W10 - Nov 20

Combined approaches: MFA + LCA; MFA + sociodemographics.

AS & FMC

Exercise

Project

Block III:
Social
sciences
and
public
policy

W11 - Nov 27

Combined approaches: MFA + surveys; Quasi-dynamic MFA

GF & FMC

Exercise

Project

W12 - Dec 04

Social metabolism

CRB

Past exam

Project

W13 - Dec 11

Agent-based model

CRB, FMC, MAH,
SLC

Project

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W14 - Dec 18

Group Project Presentation

All

Project

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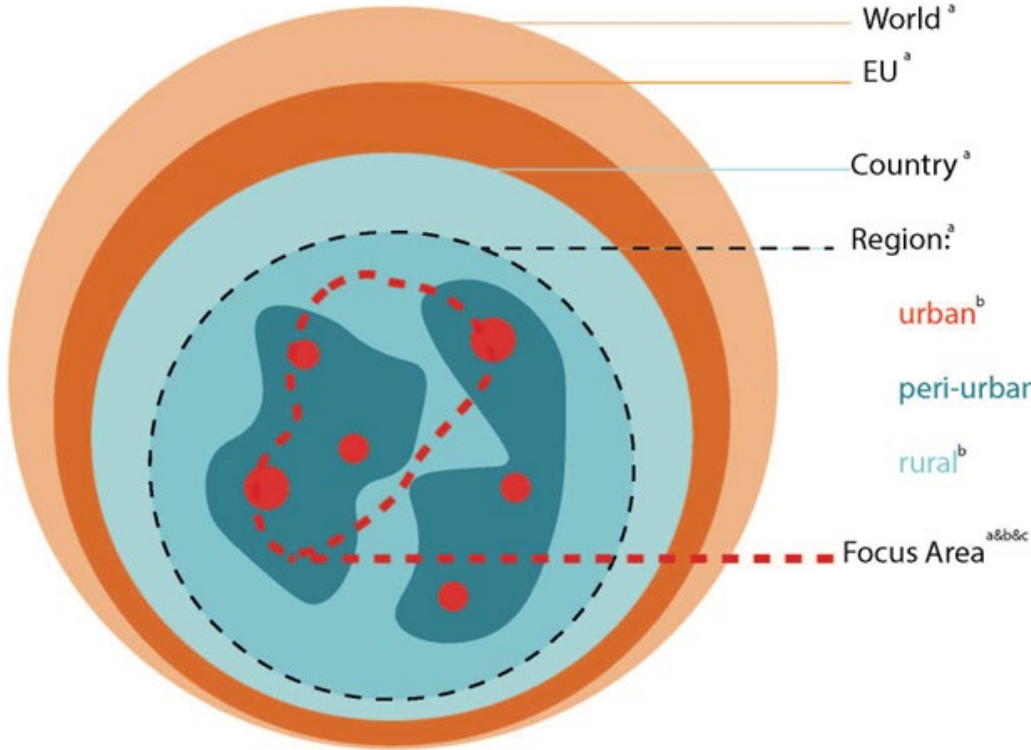
Content of lecture

- Different spatial approaches
- Temporal analysis
- Spatial stock analysis

Different spatial approaches



Different spatial approaches



Spatial data (geographic)

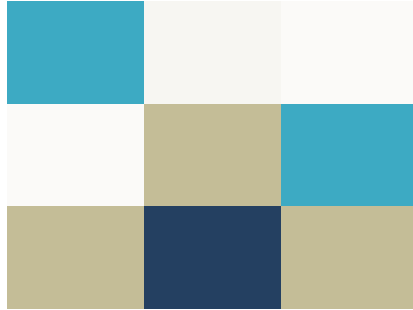
- Place (location)
- Time
- Attributes:
 - Rooftop area
 - Absolute resource consumption
 - Land-use type
 - Quantity and quality of resource stocks, etc.

- ^a Areas based on administrative boundaries
- ^b Areas based on demographic and land cover data
- ^c Areas based on qualitative assessment

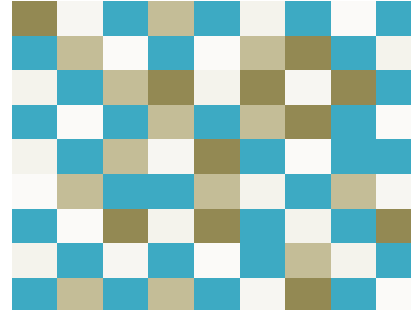
Different spatial approaches



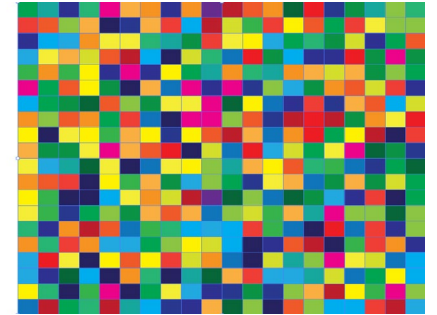
Region/country



Cities/Metropolitan area



Local Government areas

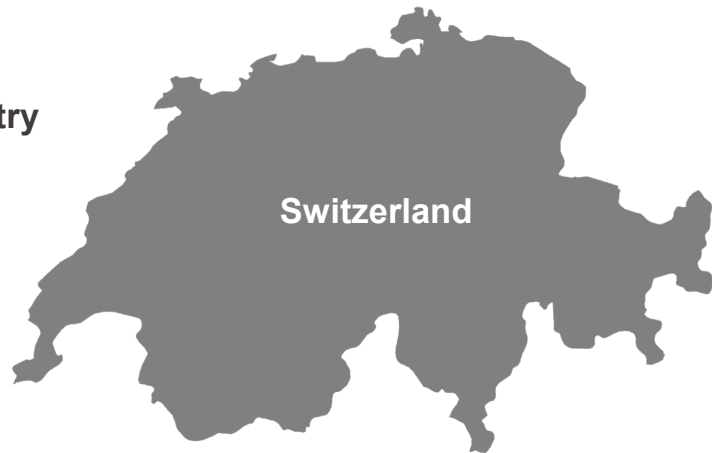


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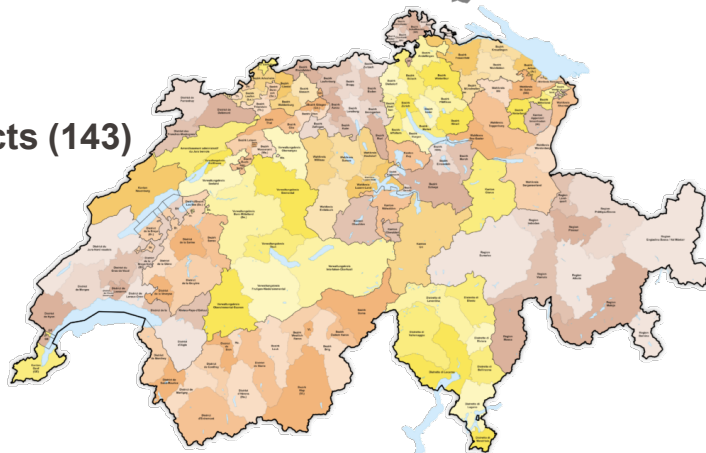
Boundary	Relevance for policies
Region	Includes immediate hinterland, productive and extractive activities, etc.
Metropolis	Represents the labourforce and residential hinterland. Accounts for commuting
City	Official administrative boundaries, most available data
Local government/Communes	Small administrative areas. Can regulate building permits, land use zoning, transportation, etc.
Neighbourhood	Homogeneous spatial entity, sense of identity, proximity to schools, entertainment, food consumption
Buildings/households	Relation between socio-economic status and resource use, can be aggregated to any other spatial scale

Different spatial approaches

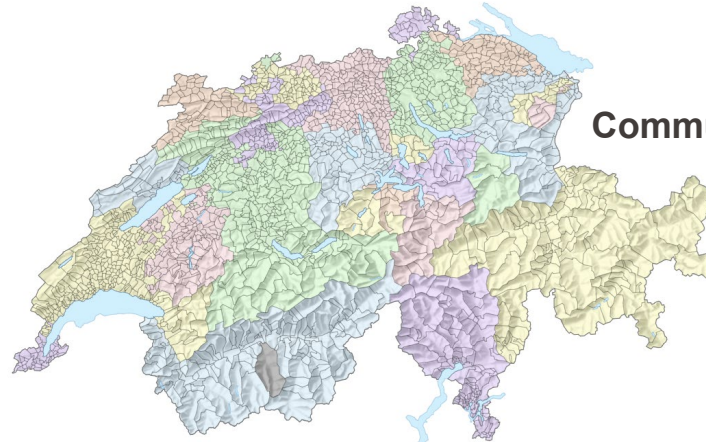
Country



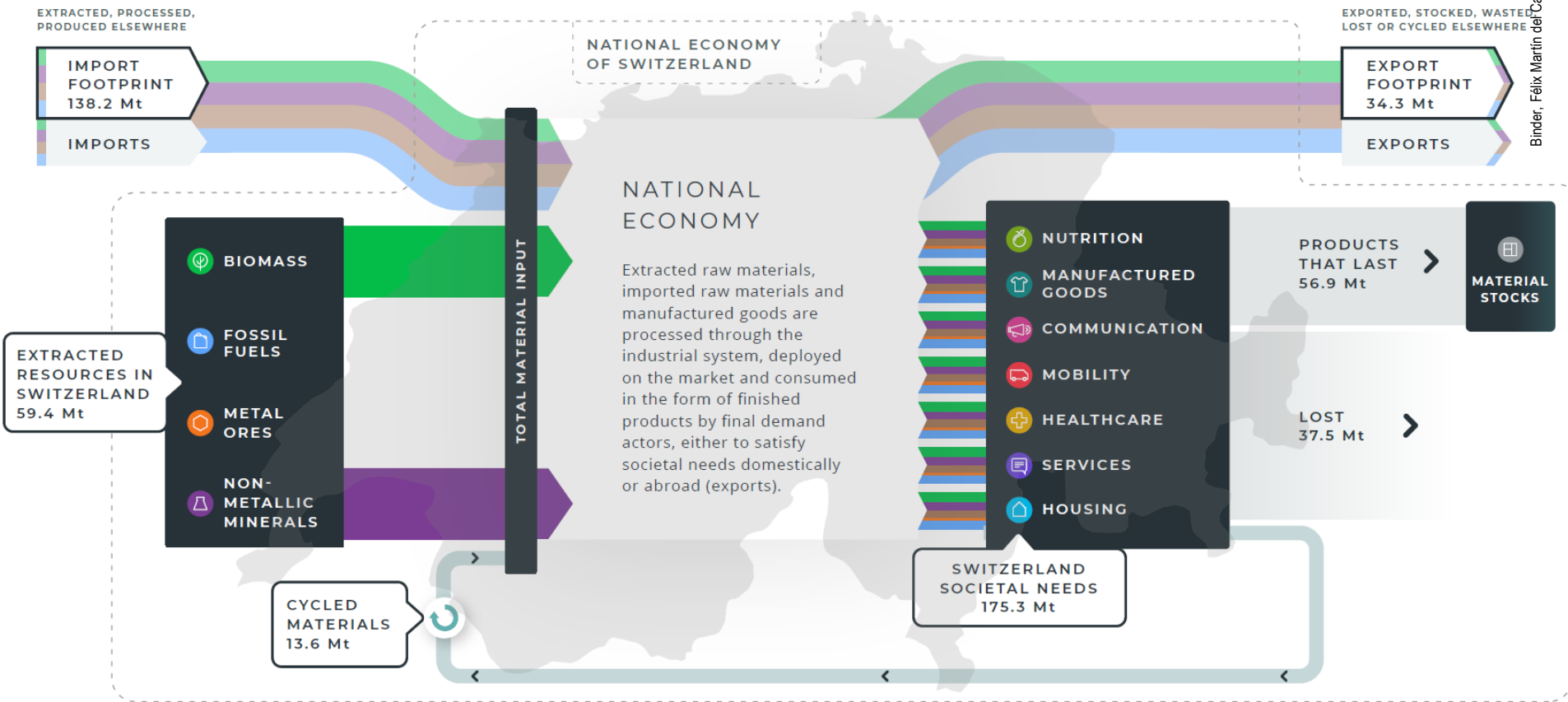
Districts (143)



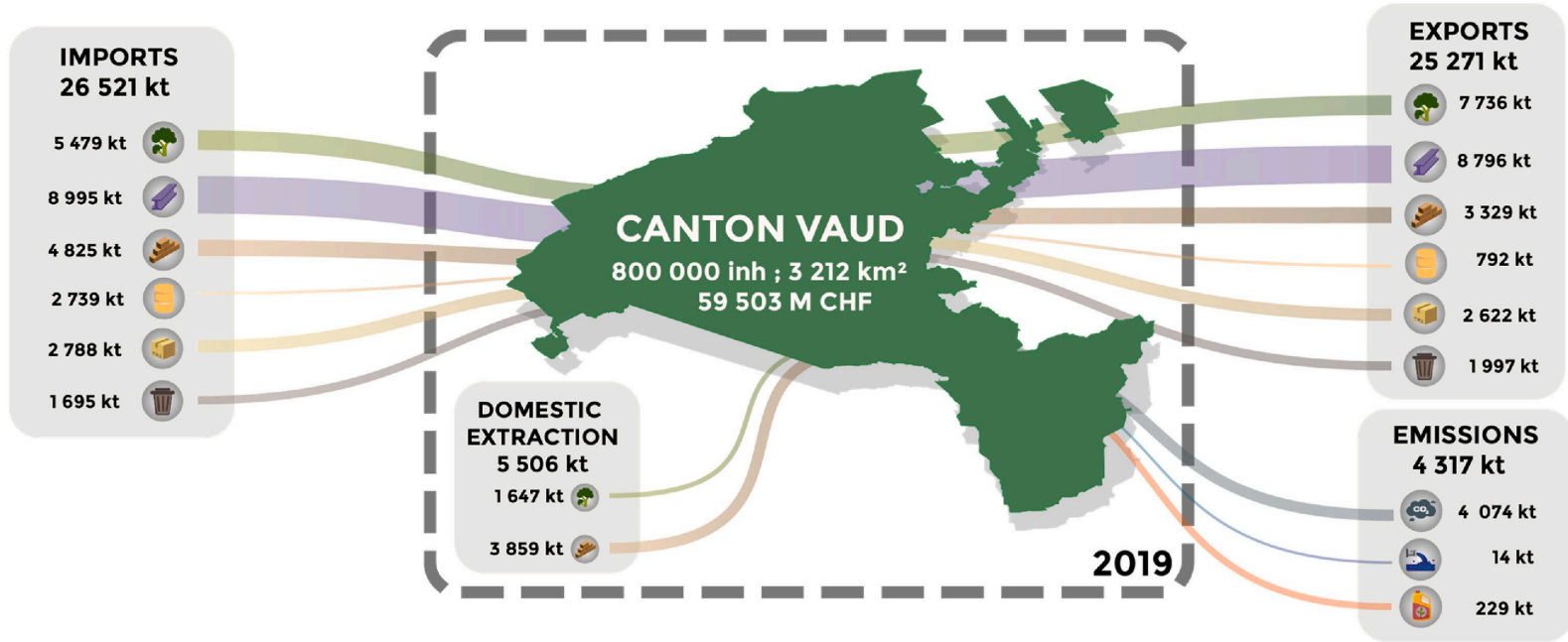
Communes (2222)



Switzerland's Circularity gap



EW-MFA Canton Vaud in 2019



Legend



Biomass



Metal ores



Non-metallic minerals



Fossil energy carriers



Other products



Waste for final treatment



Emissions to air

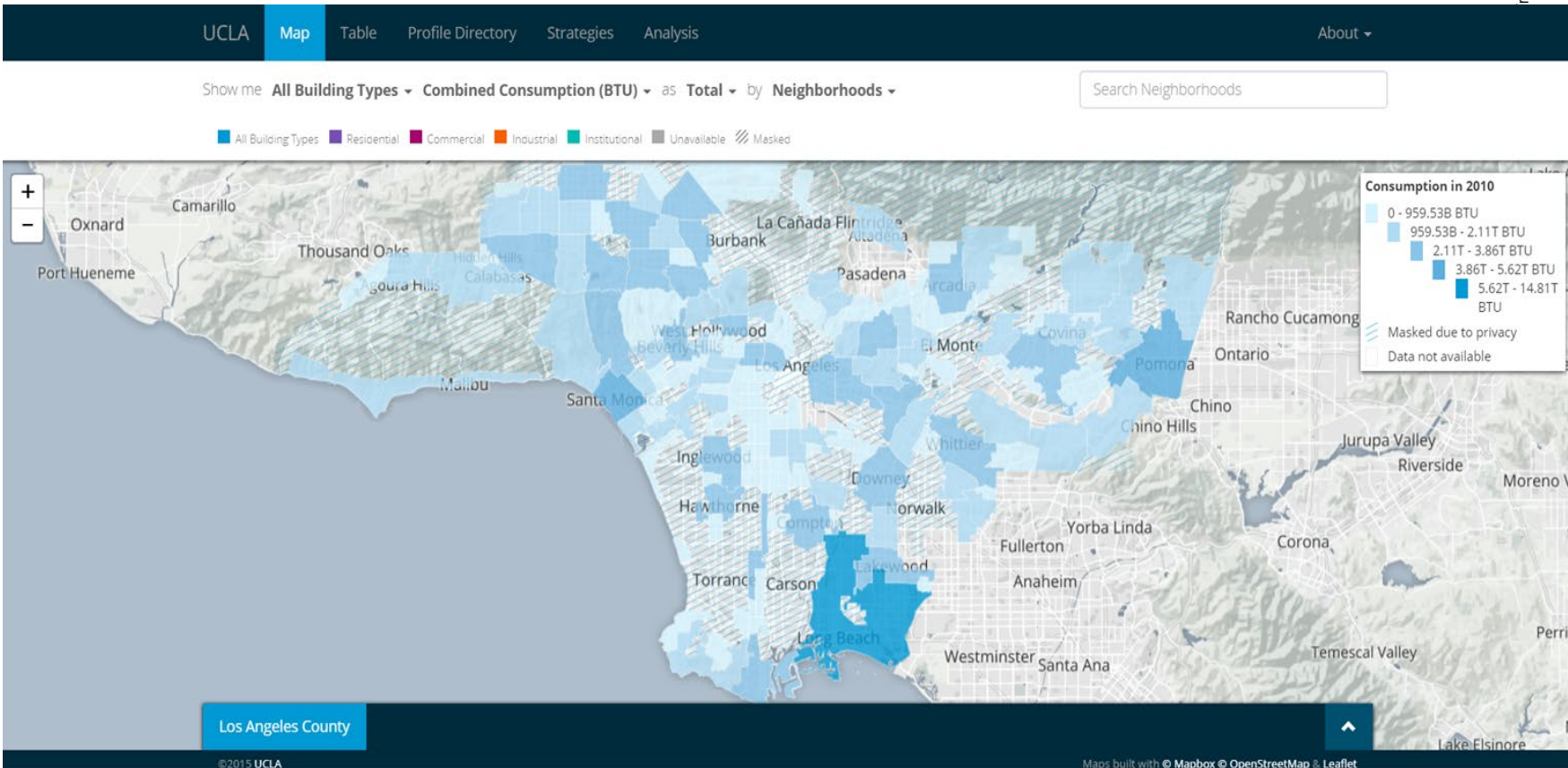


Emissions to water

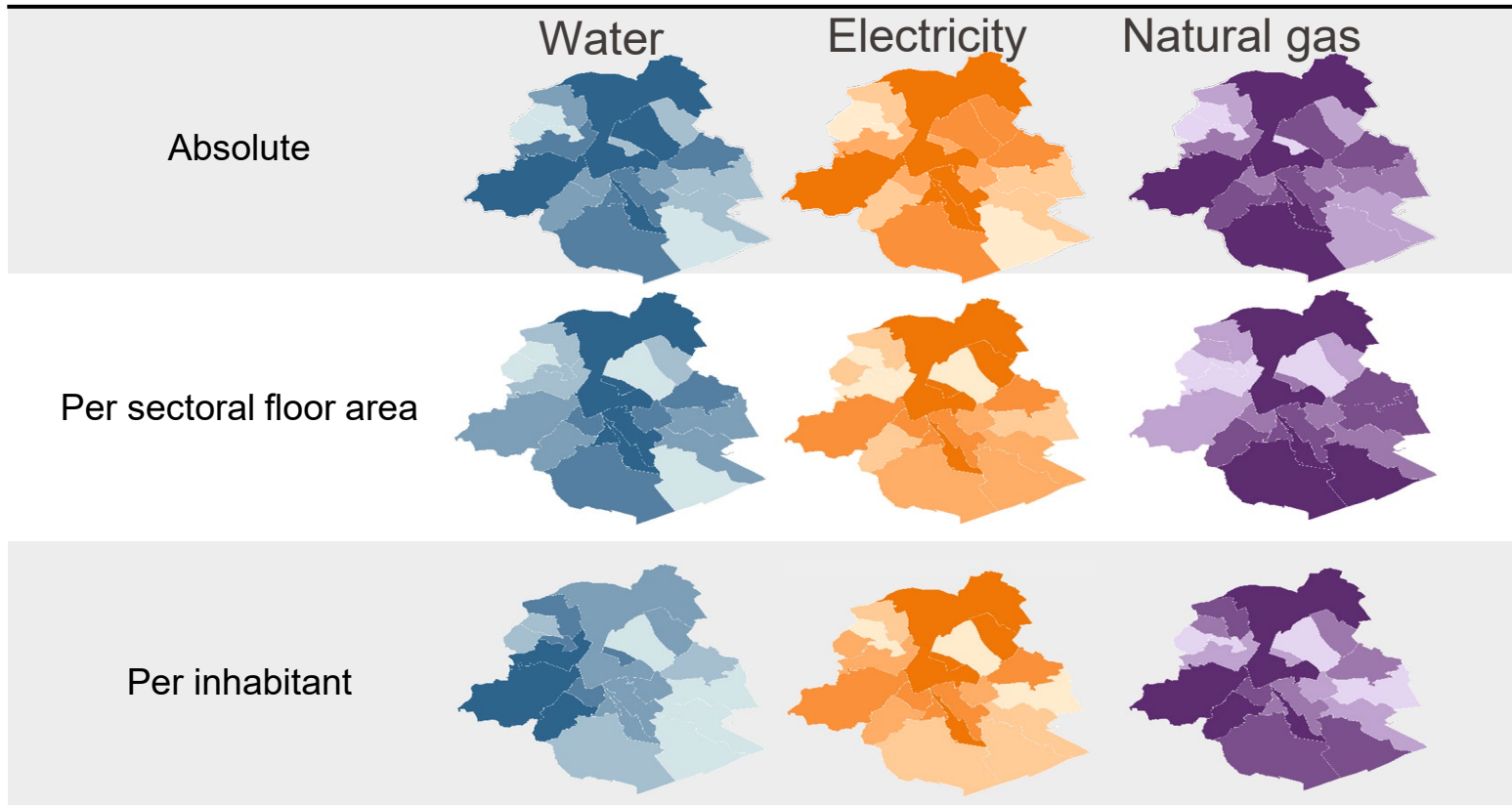


Dissipative use of products

Examples: Energy Atlas of Los Angeles

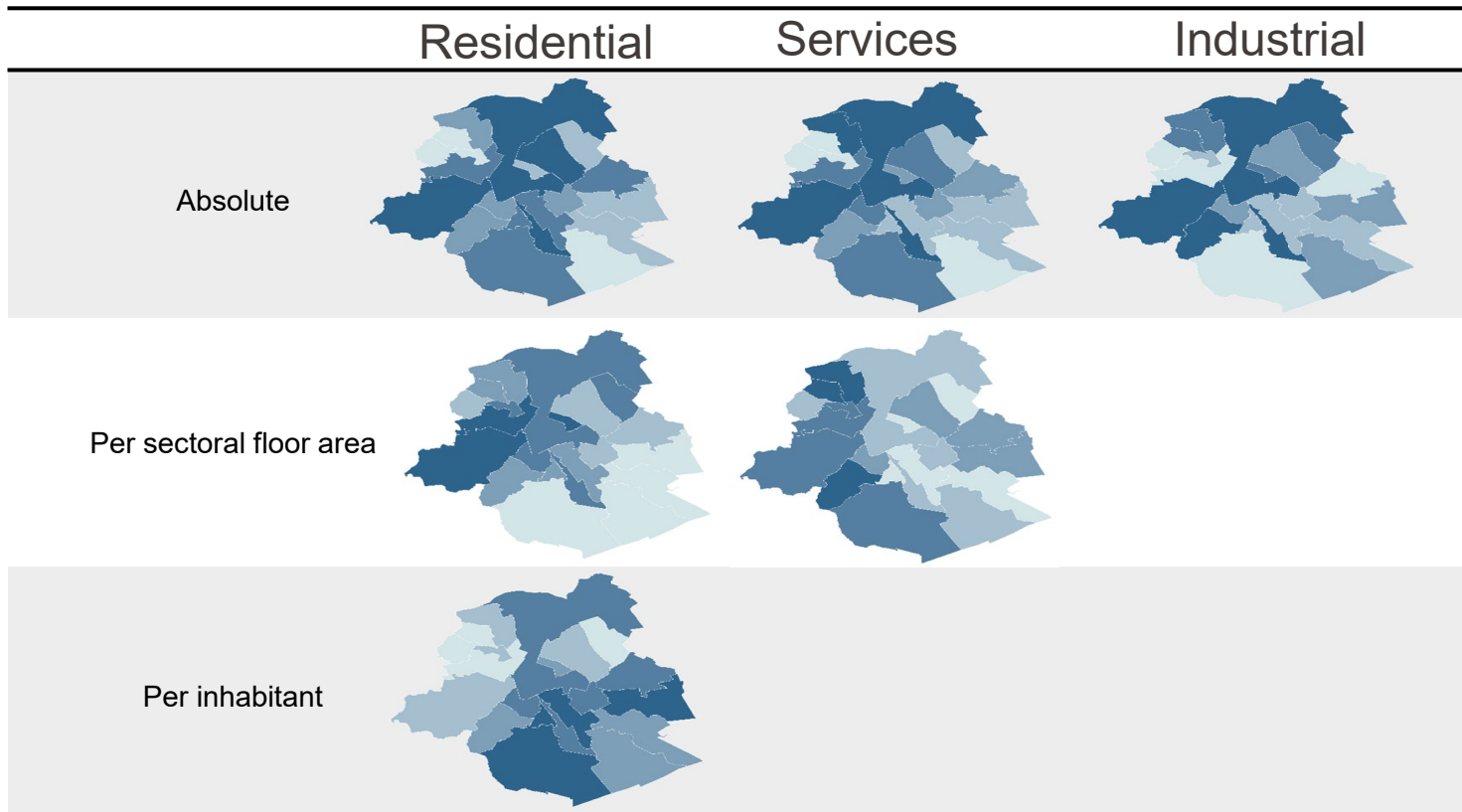


Other examples: Metabolic flows of Brussels



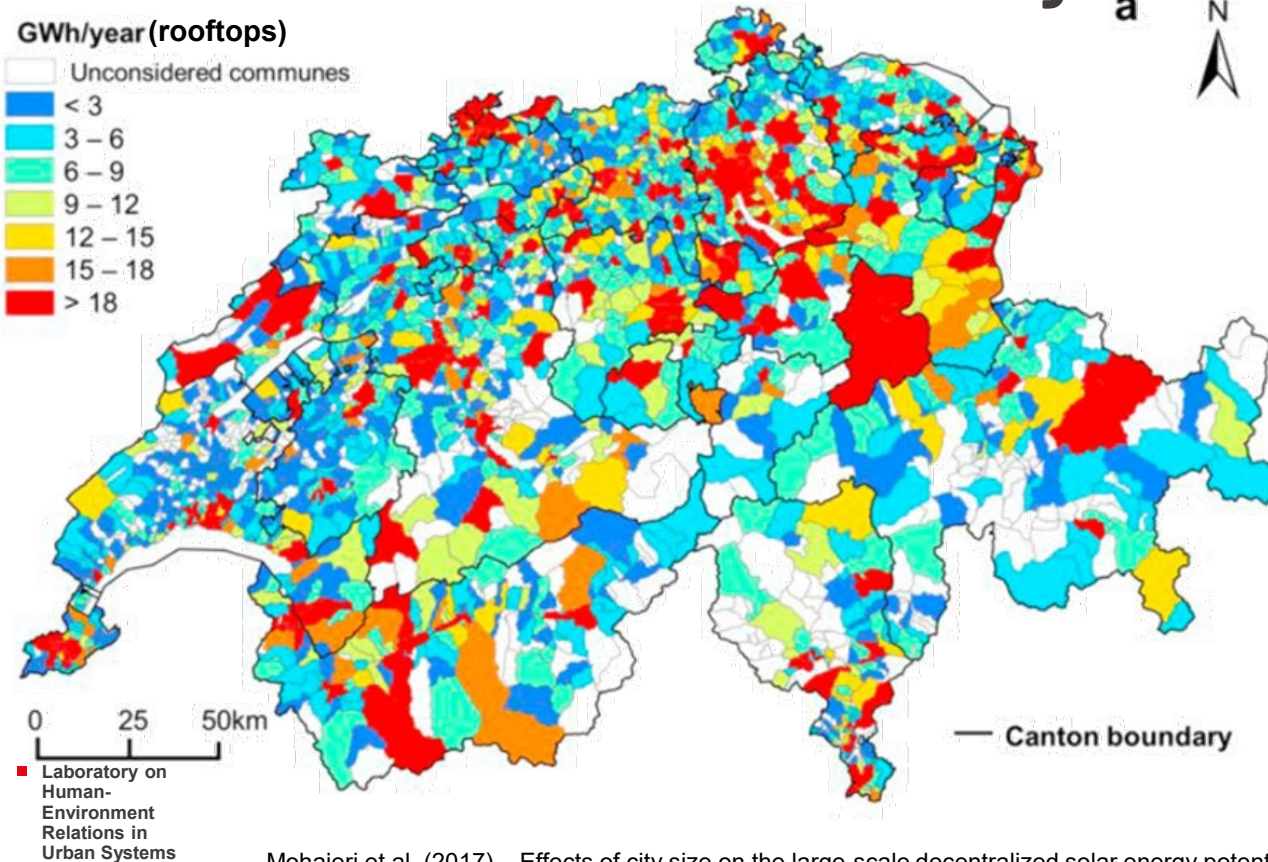
Athanassiadis, A. 2016. Towards more comprehensive urban environmental assessments. Exploring the complex relationship between urban and metabolic profiles. PhD Thesis, Université Libre de Bruxelles, The University of Melbourne.

Other examples: Water flows of Brussels



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Other examples: Potential PV electricity flows in Switzerland



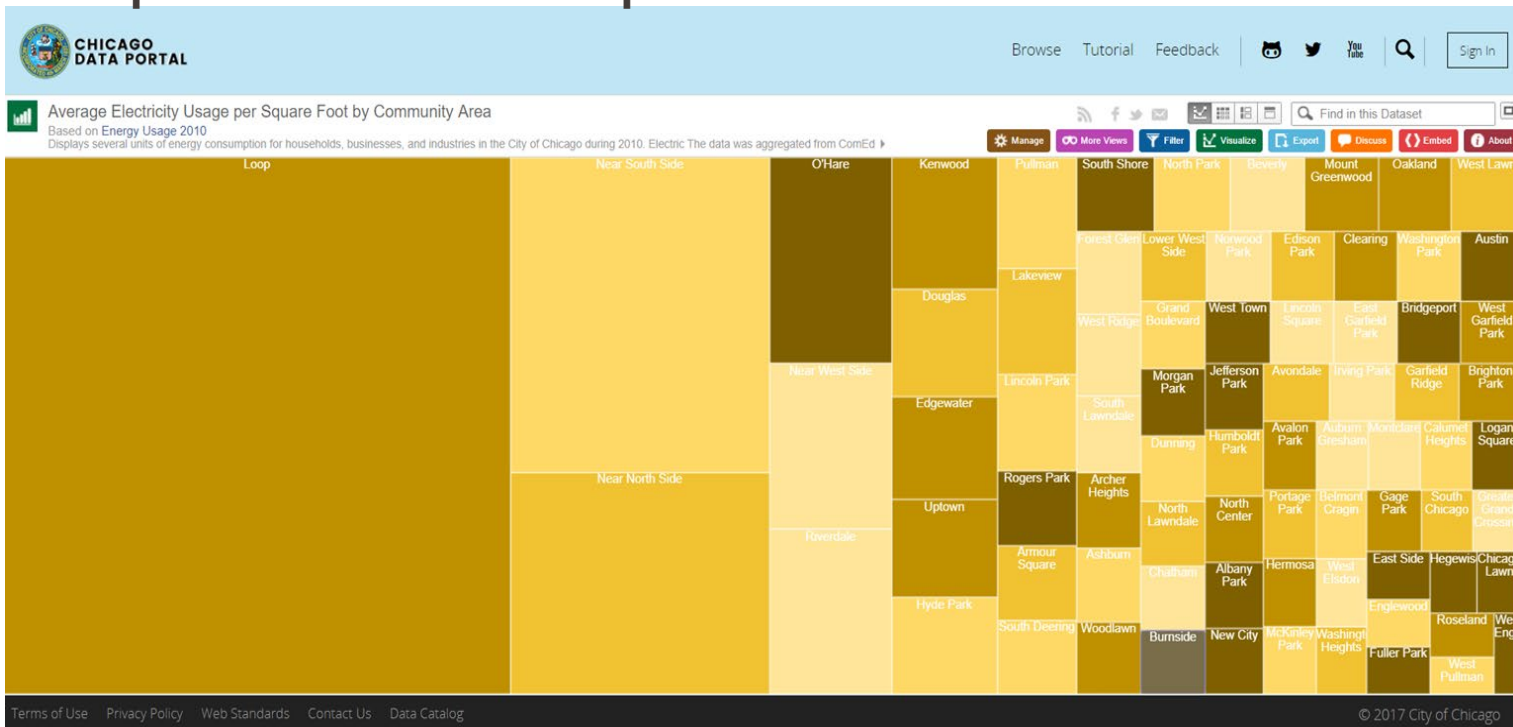
Spatially explicit characteristics:

- Population
- Number of buildings
- Floor area
- Rooftop inclination
- Etc.

Mohajeri et al. (2017) – Effects of city size on the large-scale decentralized solar energy potential. CISBAT 2017 International Conference – Future Buildings & Districts – Energy Efficiency from Nano to Urban Scale, CISBAT 2017 6-8 September 2017, Lausanne, Switzerland

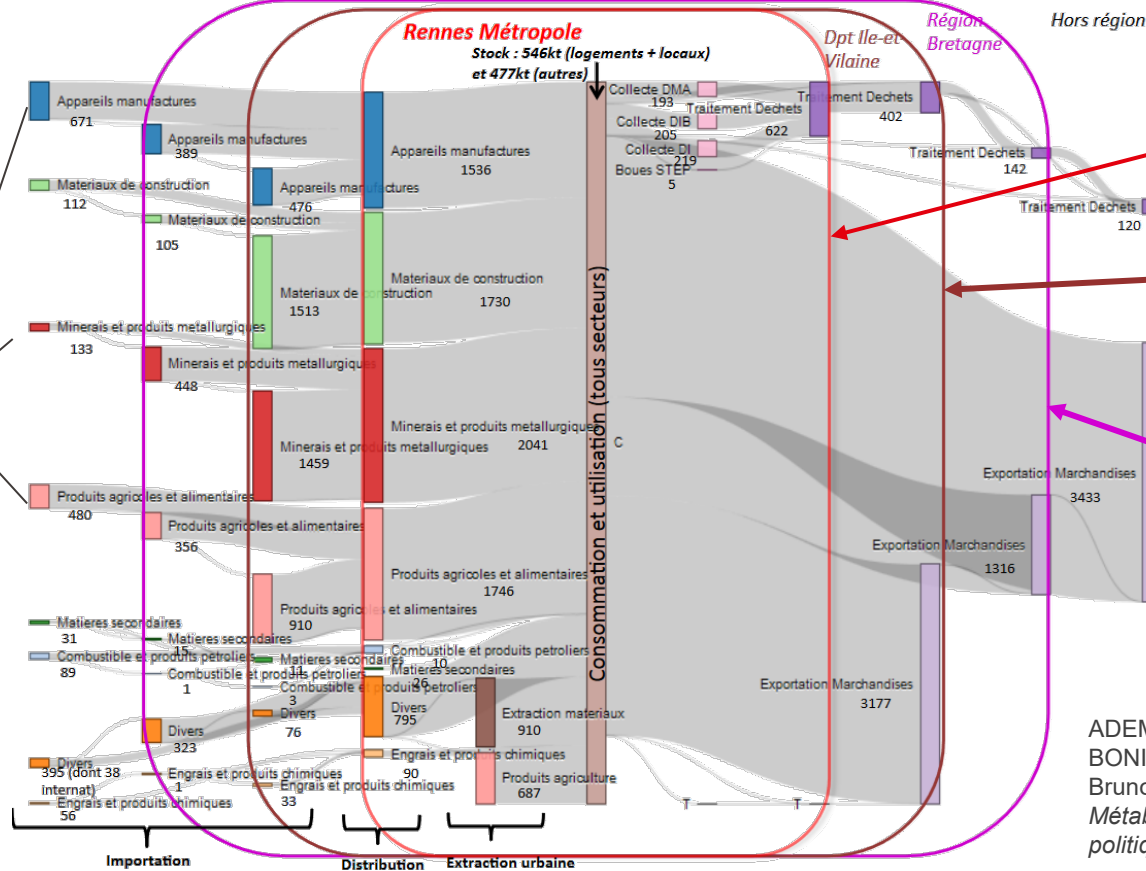
Where to find data

- Open data portals of cities
- Top-down and bottom-up estimations



Different spatial approaches: Rennes' hinterland

Beyond delimited boundaries



Delimited boundaries

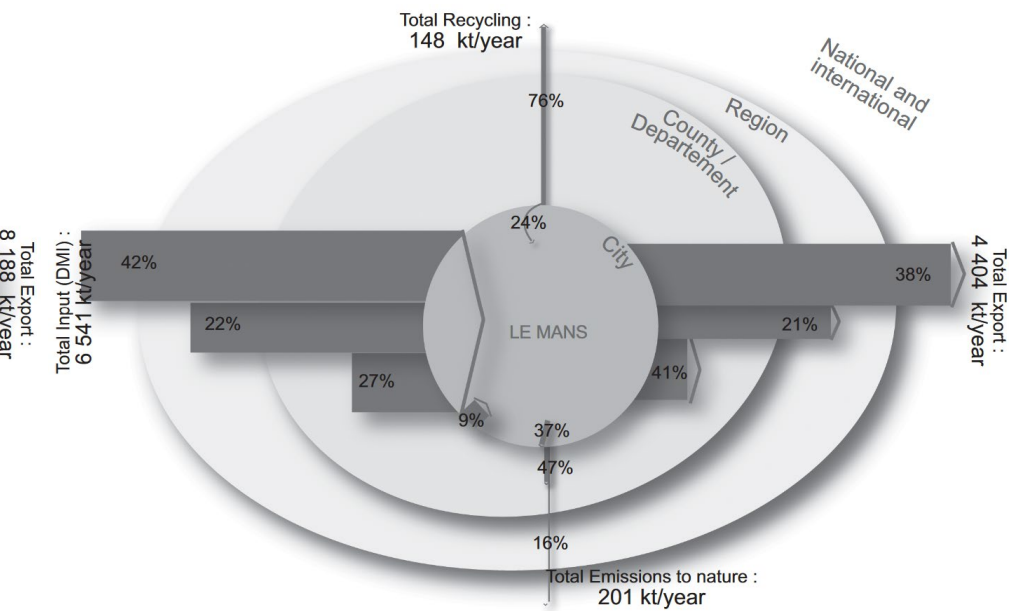
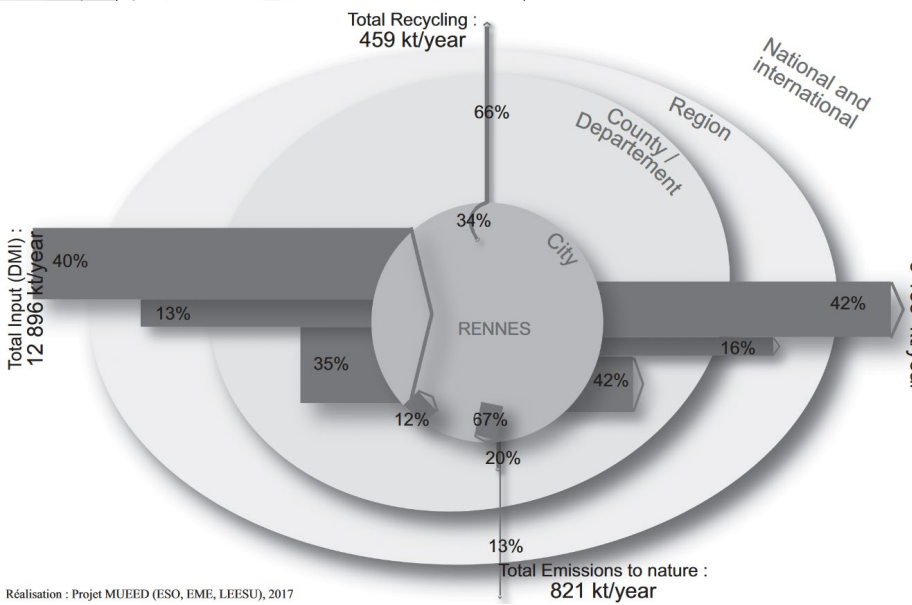
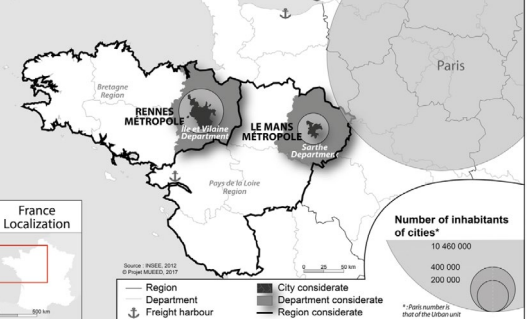
Urban metabolism - Rennes Métropole

Extended metabolism - Dpt. Ile-et-Vilaine

Extended metabolism - Région Bretagne

ADEME. DURAND Mathieu, BAHERS Jean-Baptiste, BONIERBALE Thomas, BERAUD Hélène, BARROCA Bruno. 2016. *Vers une économie circulaire... de proximité ; Métabolisme urbain, empreinte environnementale et politique de gestion des déchets* – Rapport. 90p.

Rennes' and Le Mans' hinterland



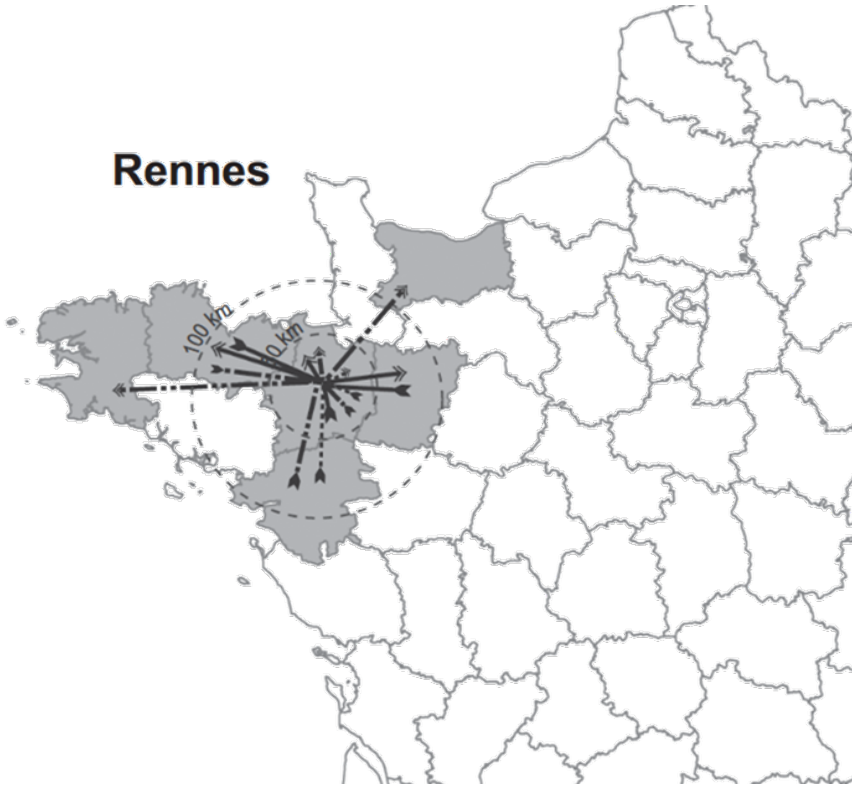
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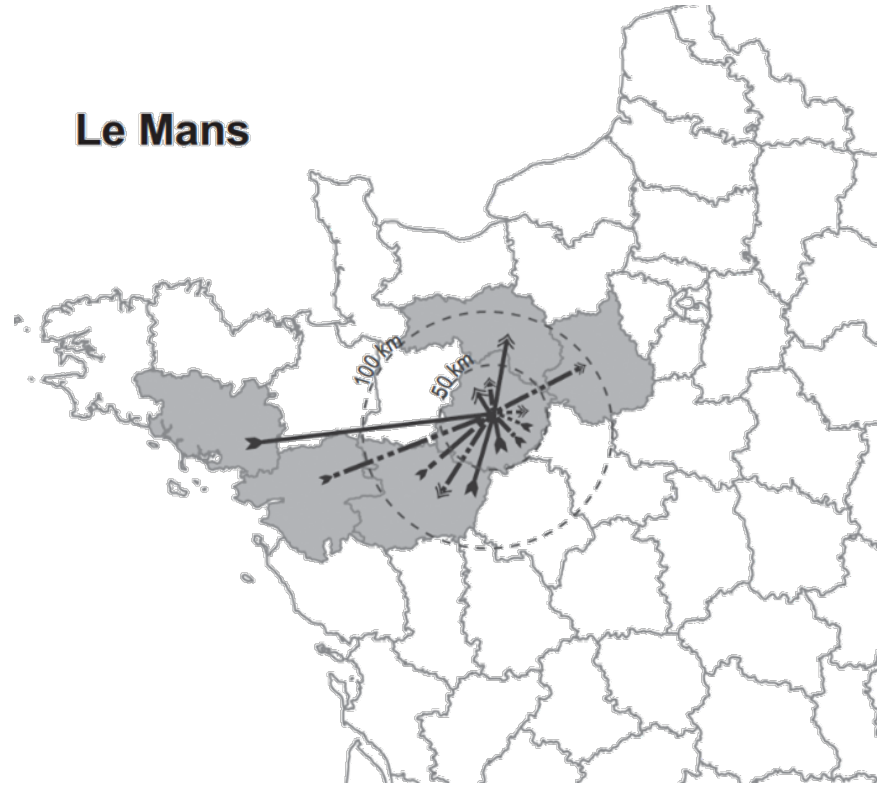
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Rennes' and Le Mans' Local Flows

Rennes



Le Mans



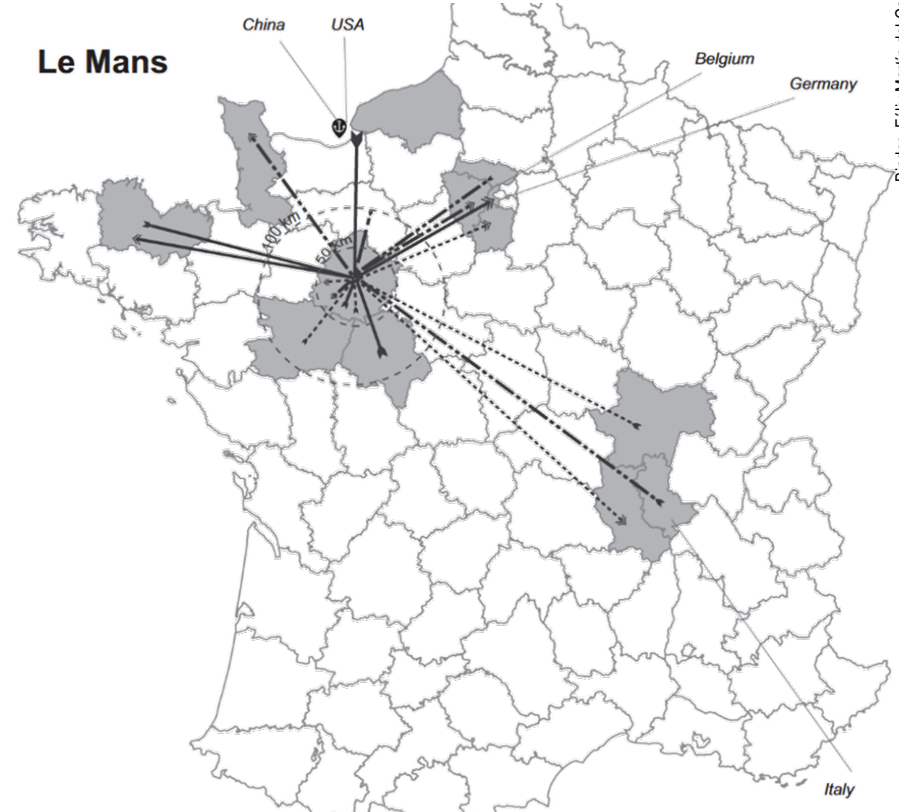
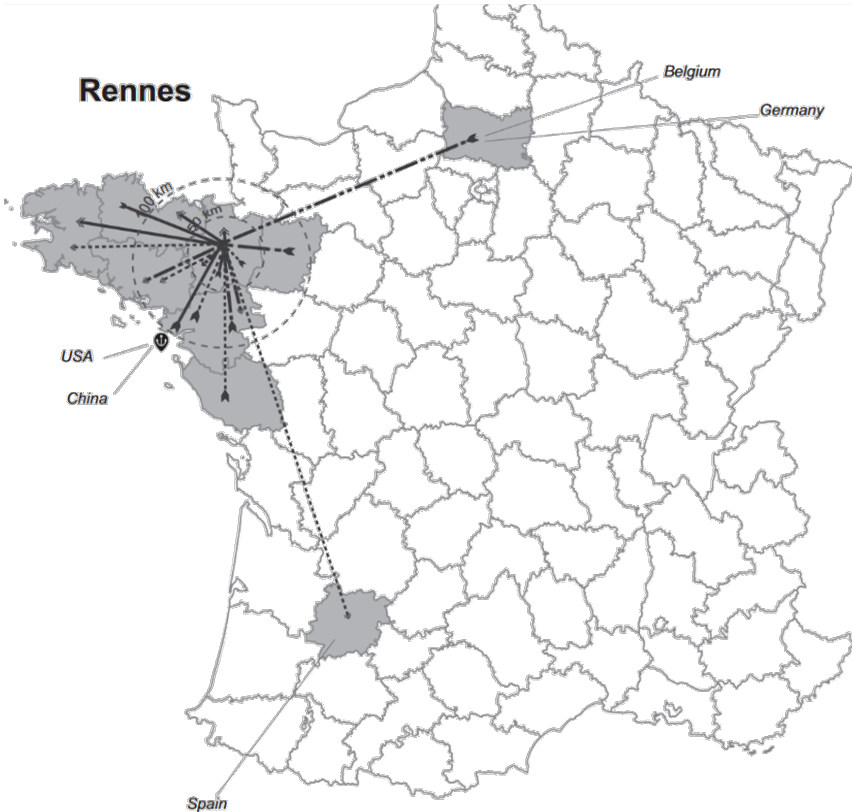
Legend:

- ← Imports
- Exports
- Department (county)
- Distance
- Harbour

<p>Mains "local" flows per category:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Building minerals - - - Biomass - - - Waste 	<p>Mains "global" flows per category:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Manufactured products - - - Metals - - - Chemicals products
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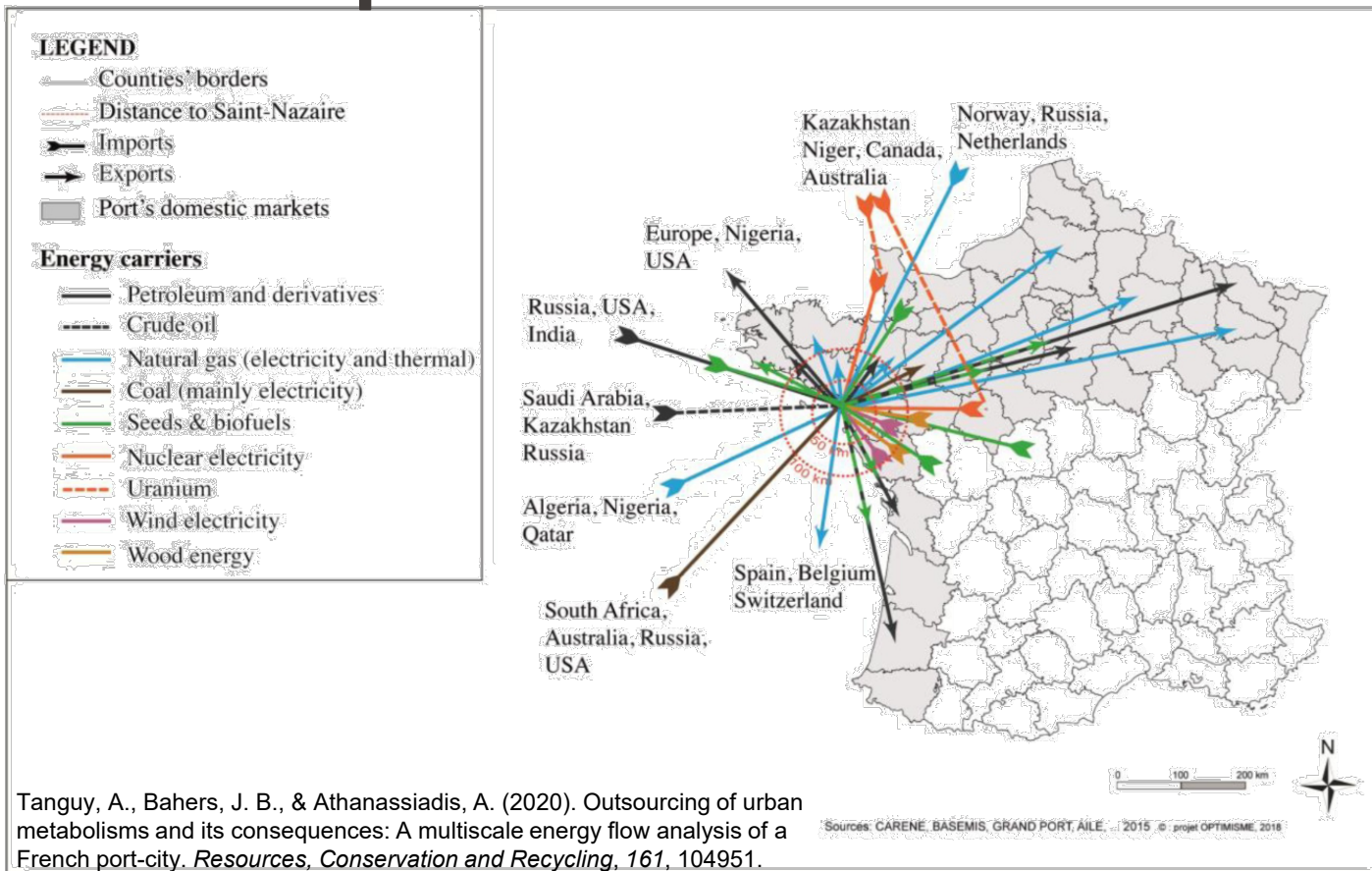
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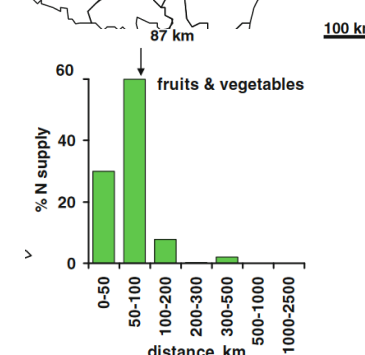
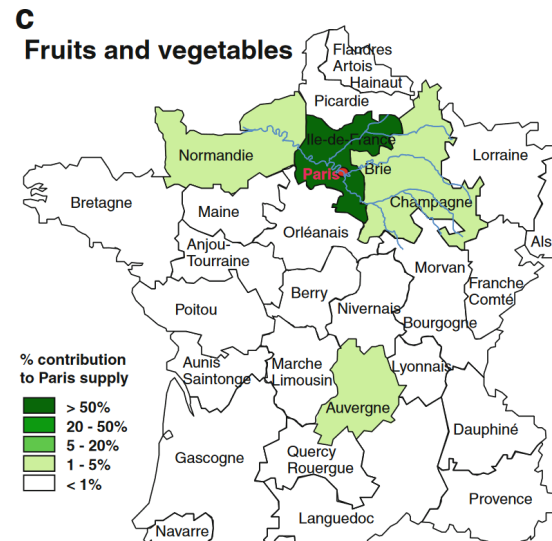
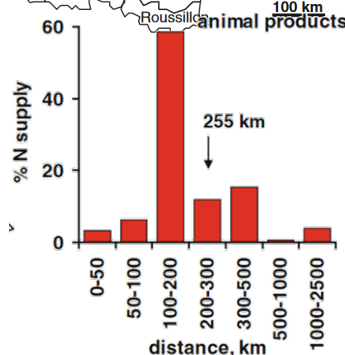
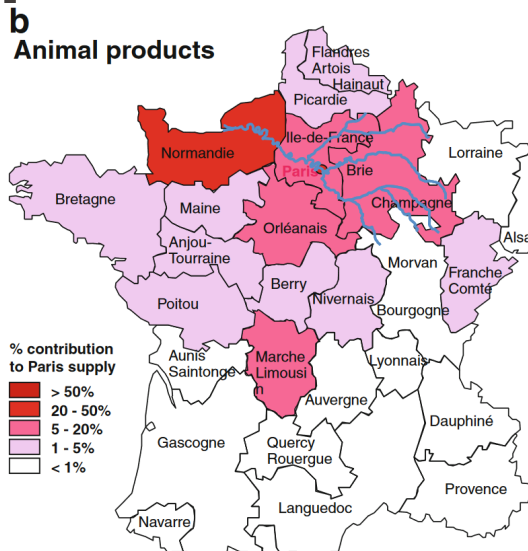
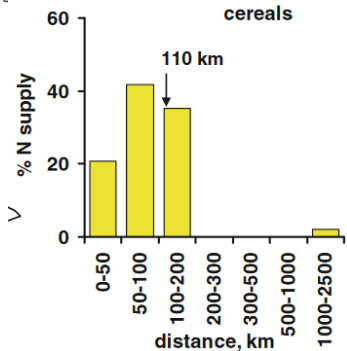
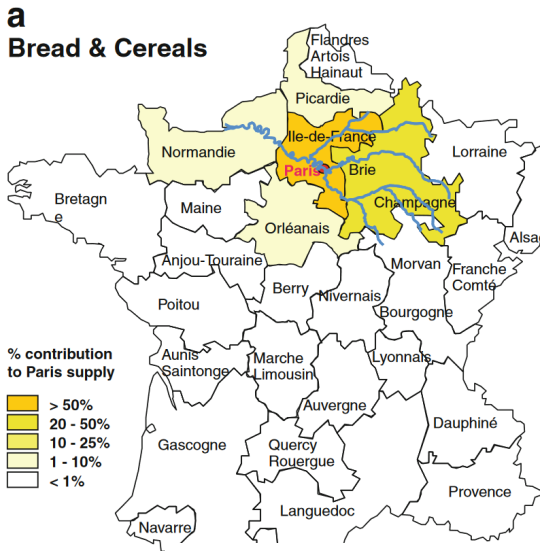
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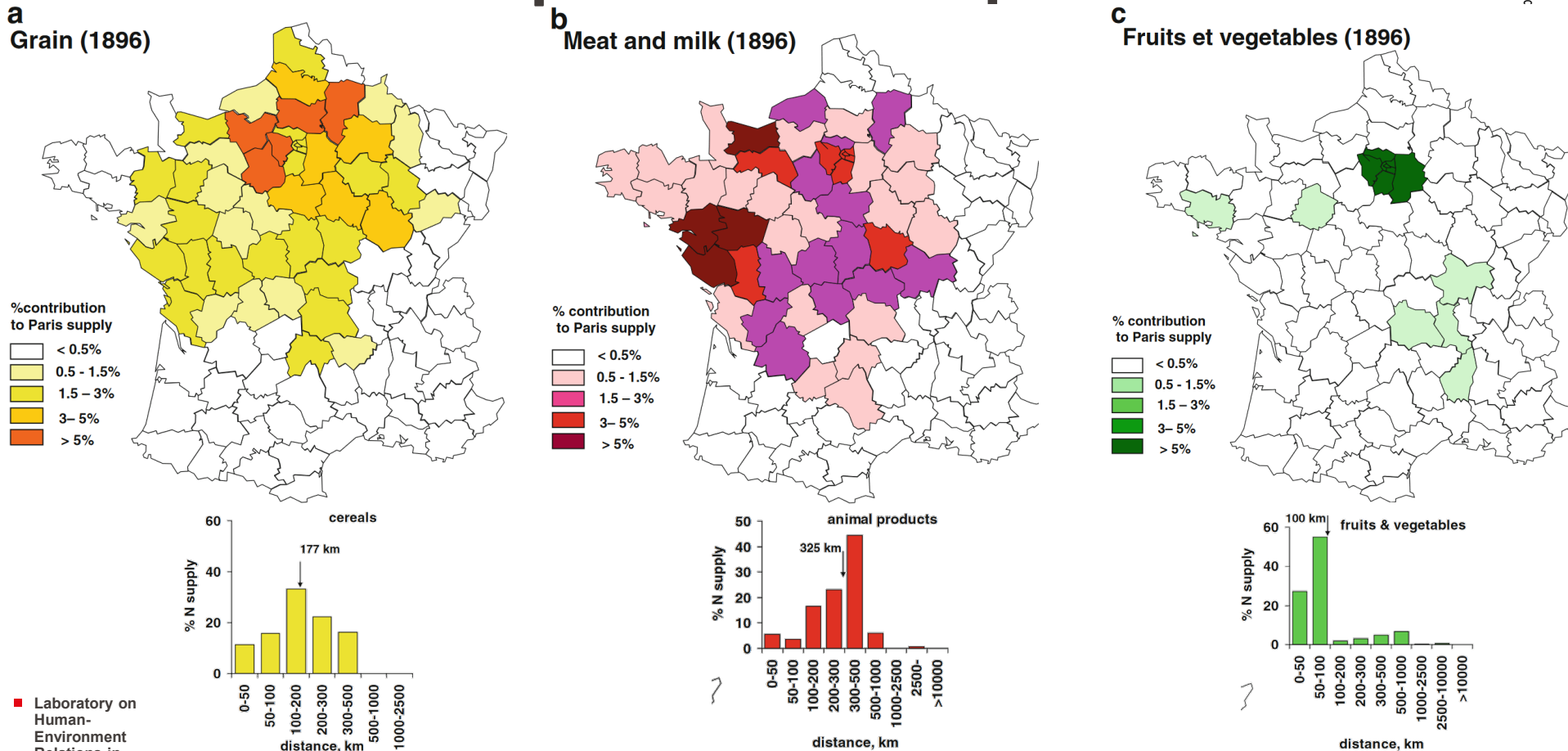
Energy metabolism of Saint-Nazaire's port



Some examples: Paris' footprint 1786

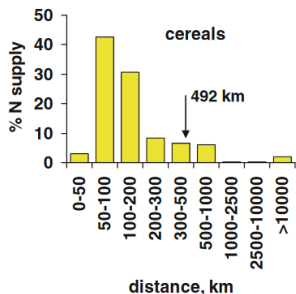
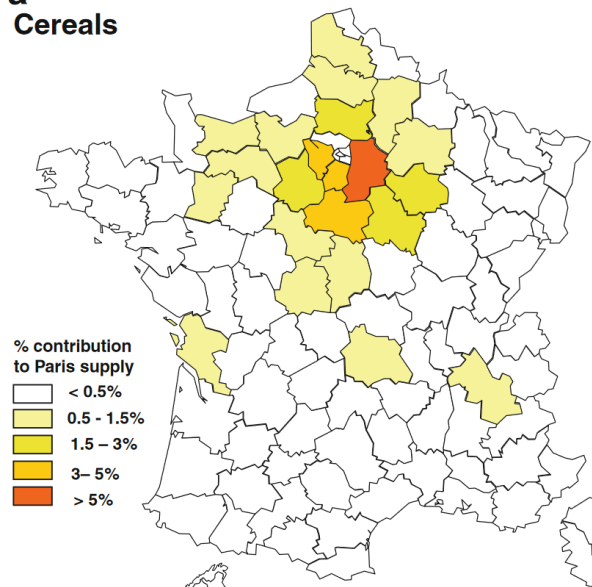


Some examples: Paris' footprint 1896

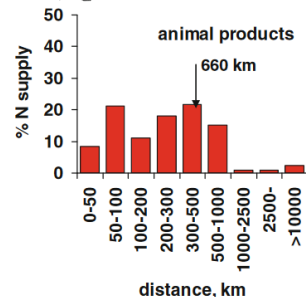
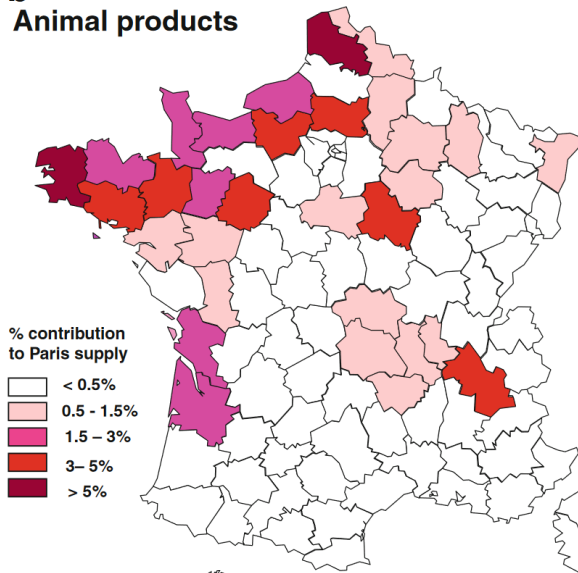


Some examples: Paris' footprint 2006

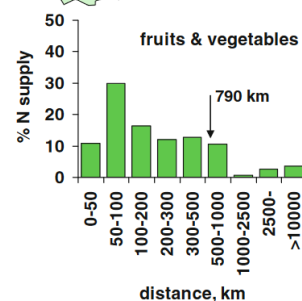
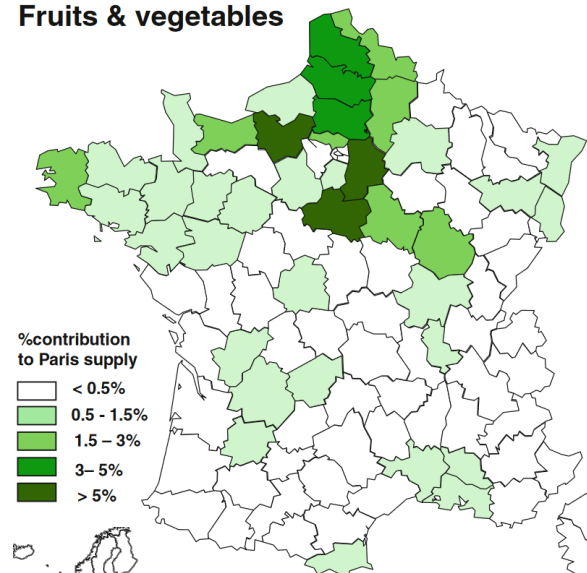
a
Cereals



b
Animal products



c
Fruits & vegetables



- Freight and logistics data (national / international)

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Transport – Overview

INTRODUCTION

Which are the transport modes covered?

Eurostat data on transport cover **five main types of transport modes**:

- Air
- Inland waterway
- Rail
- Road
- Maritime (Sea)

In addition, specific data are collected for oil pipelines.

What is measured?

In general, transport statistics cover:

- Transport of goods
- Transport of people
- Traffic
- Transport safety

Other available data include aggregated statistics on **businesses, employment, infrastructure and equipment**.

Some data collections go back to 1980, while others start more recently.

[read more](#)

MAIN TABLES

Transport

- Regional transport statistics (t_tran_r) M
 - ZIP Maritime transport of passengers by NUTS 2 regions (tgs00075) ⓘ
 - ZIP Maritime transport of freight by NUTS 2 regions (tgs00076) ⓘ
 - ZIP Air transport of passengers by NUTS 2 regions (tgs00077) ⓘ
 - ZIP Air transport of freight by NUTS 2 regions (tgs00078) ⓘ
 - ZIP Rail network by NUTS 2 regions (tgs00113) ⓘ
 - ZIP Motorways network by NUTS 2 regions (tgs00114) ⓘ
- Transport, volume and modal split (t_tran_hv)
 - ZIP Volume of passenger transport relative to GDP (ttr00001) ⓘ
 - ZIP Modal split of passenger transport (t2020_rk310) M ⓘ
 - ZIP Modal split of freight transport (t2020_rk320) M ⓘ
- Railway transport (t_rail)
 - ZIP Total length of railway lines (ttr00003) ⓘ
 - ZIP Rail transport of passengers (ttr00015) ⓘ
 - ZIP Goods transport by rail (ttr00006) ⓘ
- Road transport (t_road)
 - ZIP Total length of motorways (ttr00002) ⓘ
 - ZIP Goods transport by road (ttr00005) ⓘ
 - ZIP People killed in road accidents (source: DG MOVE) (sdg_11_40) M ⓘ
- Inland waterways transport (t_ww) M
 - ZIP Goods transport by inland waterways (ttr00007) ⓘ
- Maritime transport (t_mar)
 - ZIP Sea transport of goods (ttr00009) ⓘ
- Air transport (t_avia)
 - ZIP Air transport of goods by country (yearly data) (ttr00011) ⓘ
 - ZIP Air transport of passengers by country (yearly data) (ttr00012) ⓘ Updated
 - ZIP Air transport of passengers by country and type of transport (monthly data) (ttr00016) ⓘ Updated
 - ZIP Air transport of passengers by airport and type of transport (monthly data) (ttr00017) ⓘ Updated

MFA: Temporal analysis



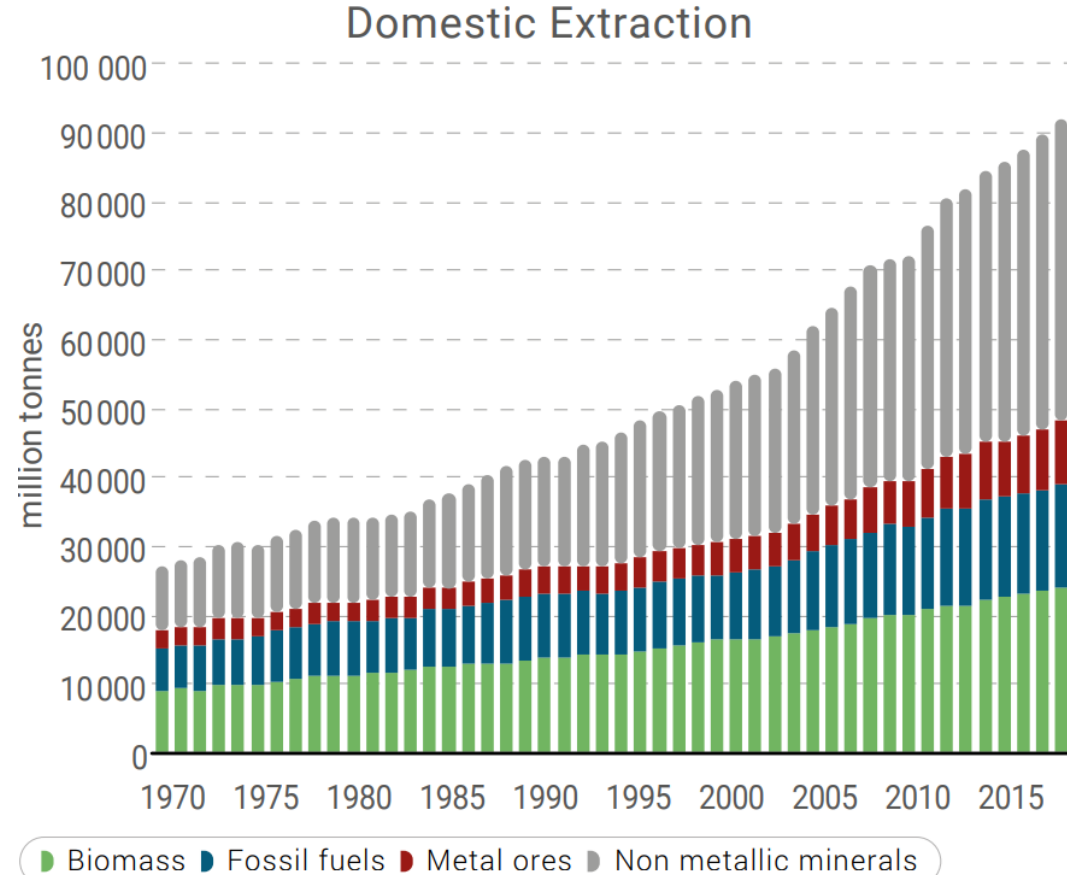
The growth in resource use has caused a sharp increase in global material extraction, particularly of non-renewable materials.

Extraction in **1970**:
+**20** billion tonnes

Extraction in **2020**:
+**100** billion tonnes

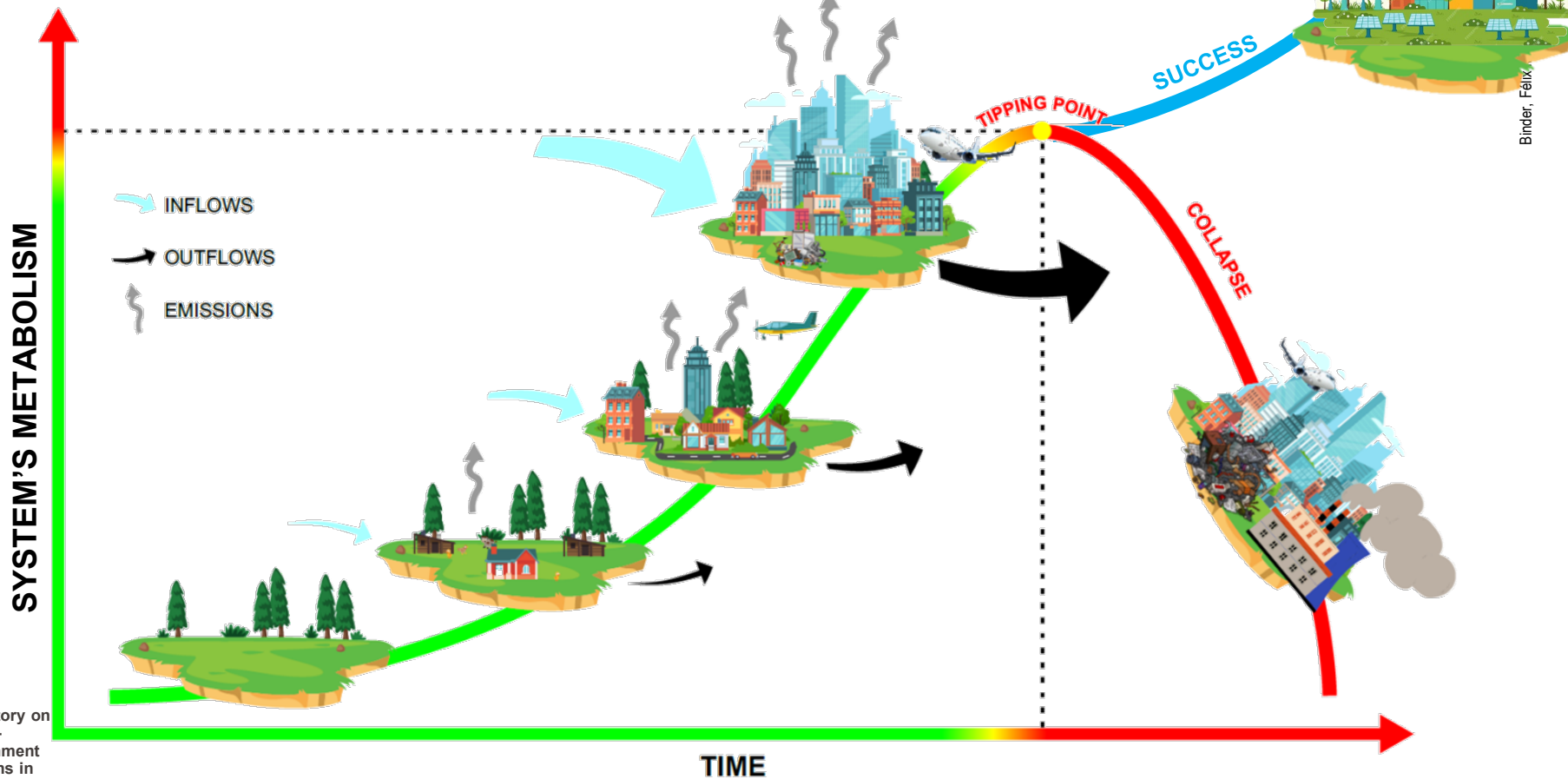
Projections by **2050**:
+**180** billion tonnes

Recycling rates in **2020**:
8.6%

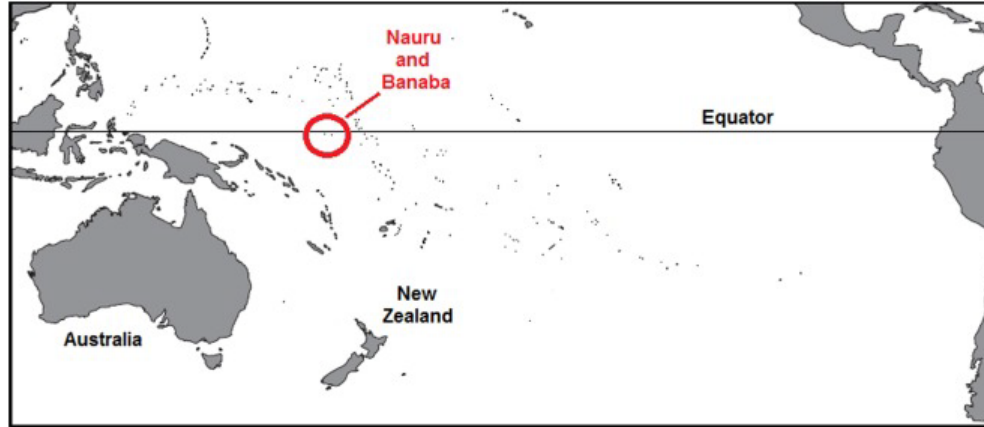


Source: UNEP & IRP, 2018

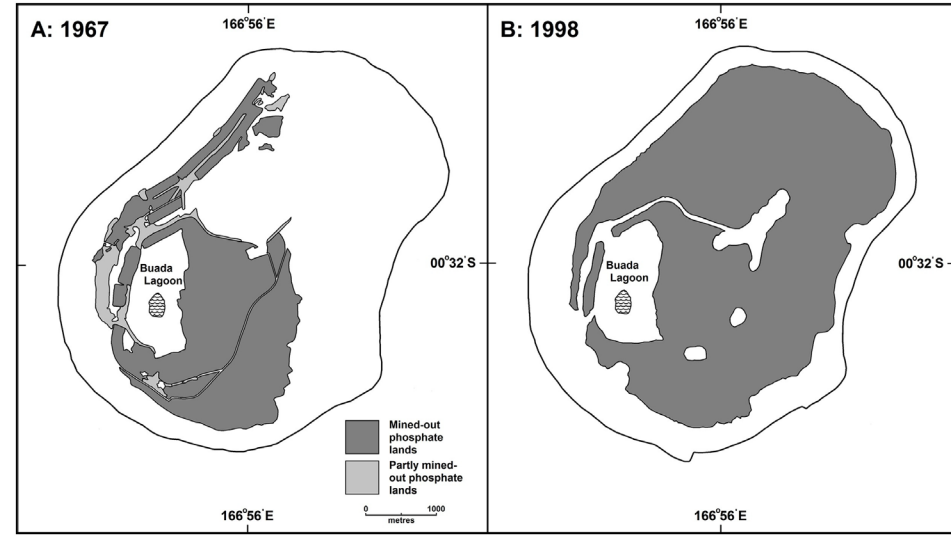
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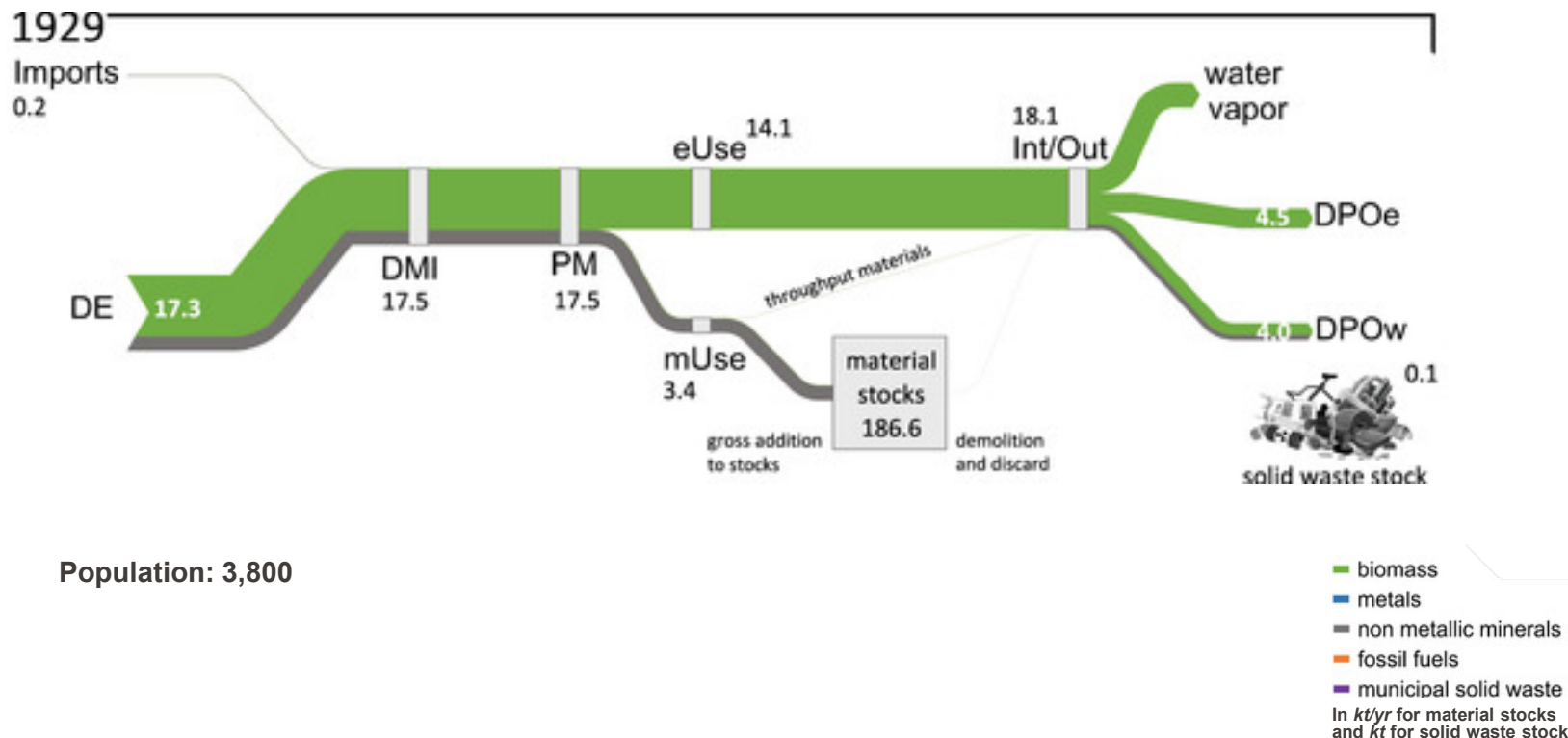
Illustrative example: Nauru



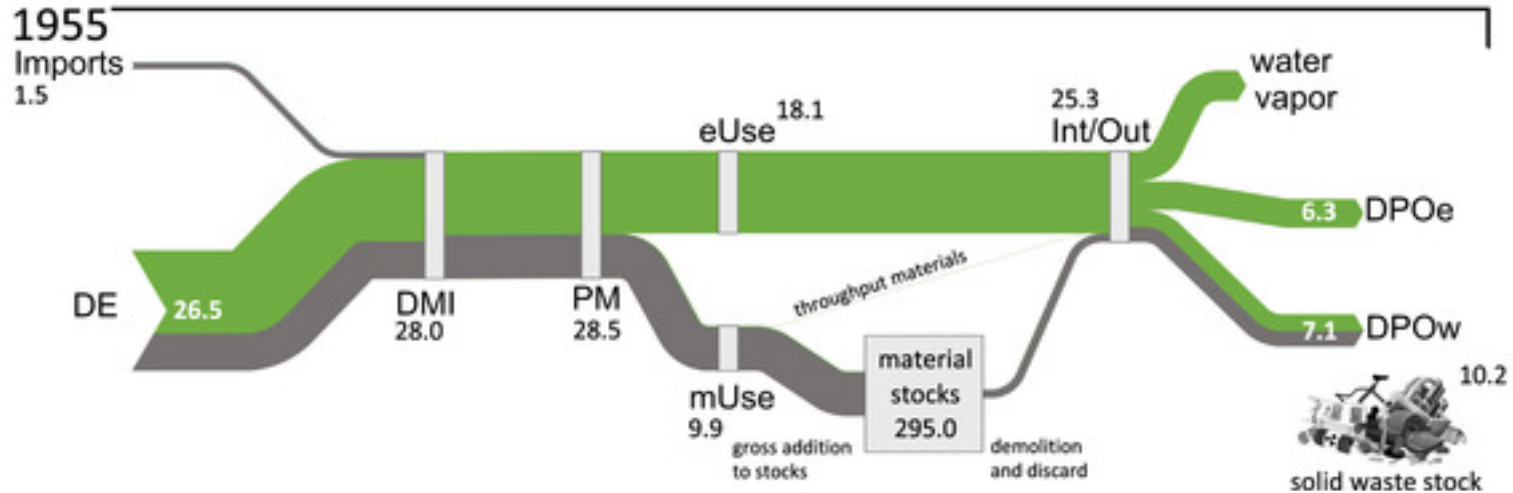
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MFA: Temporal analysis - Samothraki



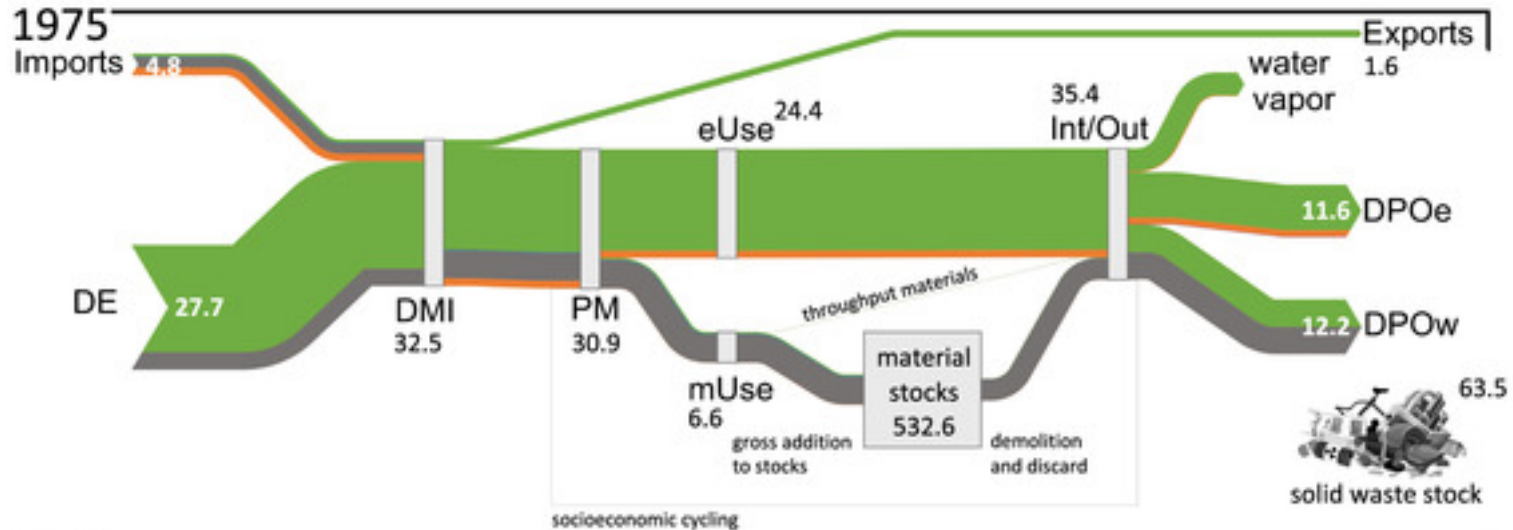
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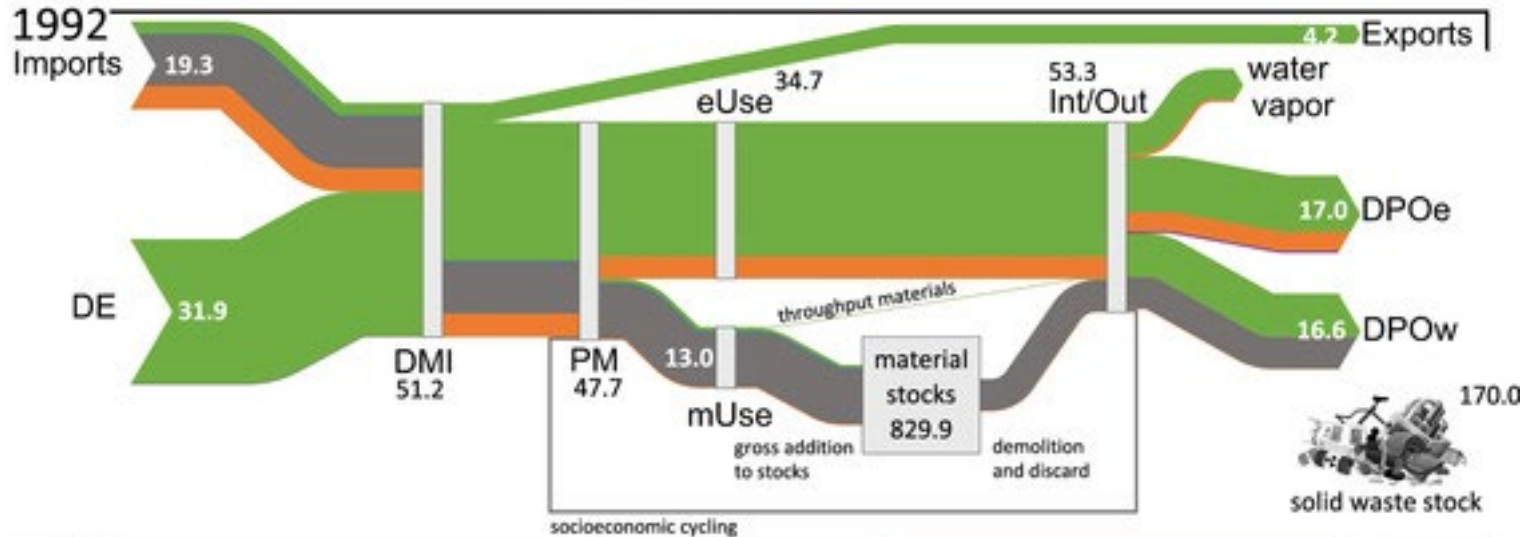
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■ fossil fuels
■ municipal solid waste
 In *kt/yr* for material stocks
 and *kt* for solid waste stock

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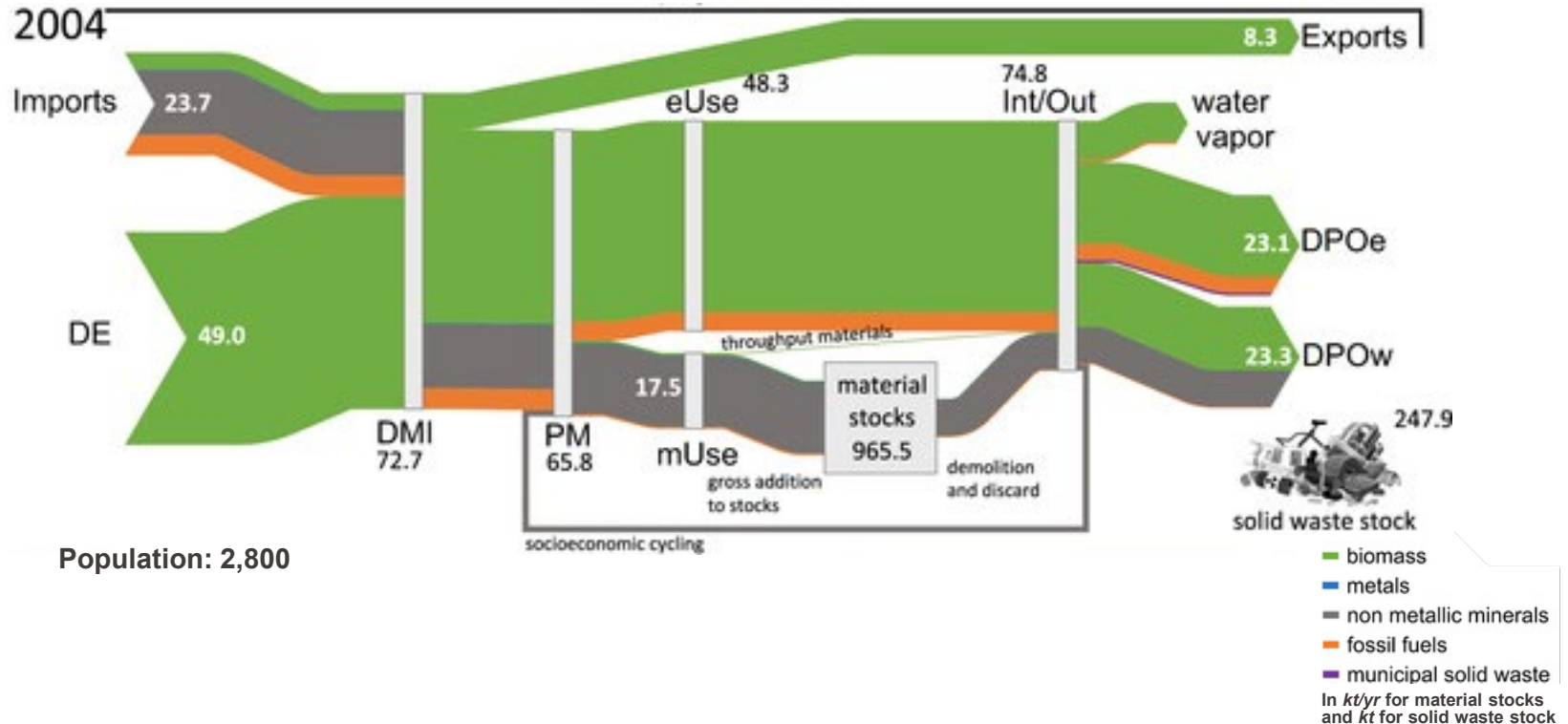
Population: 2,800

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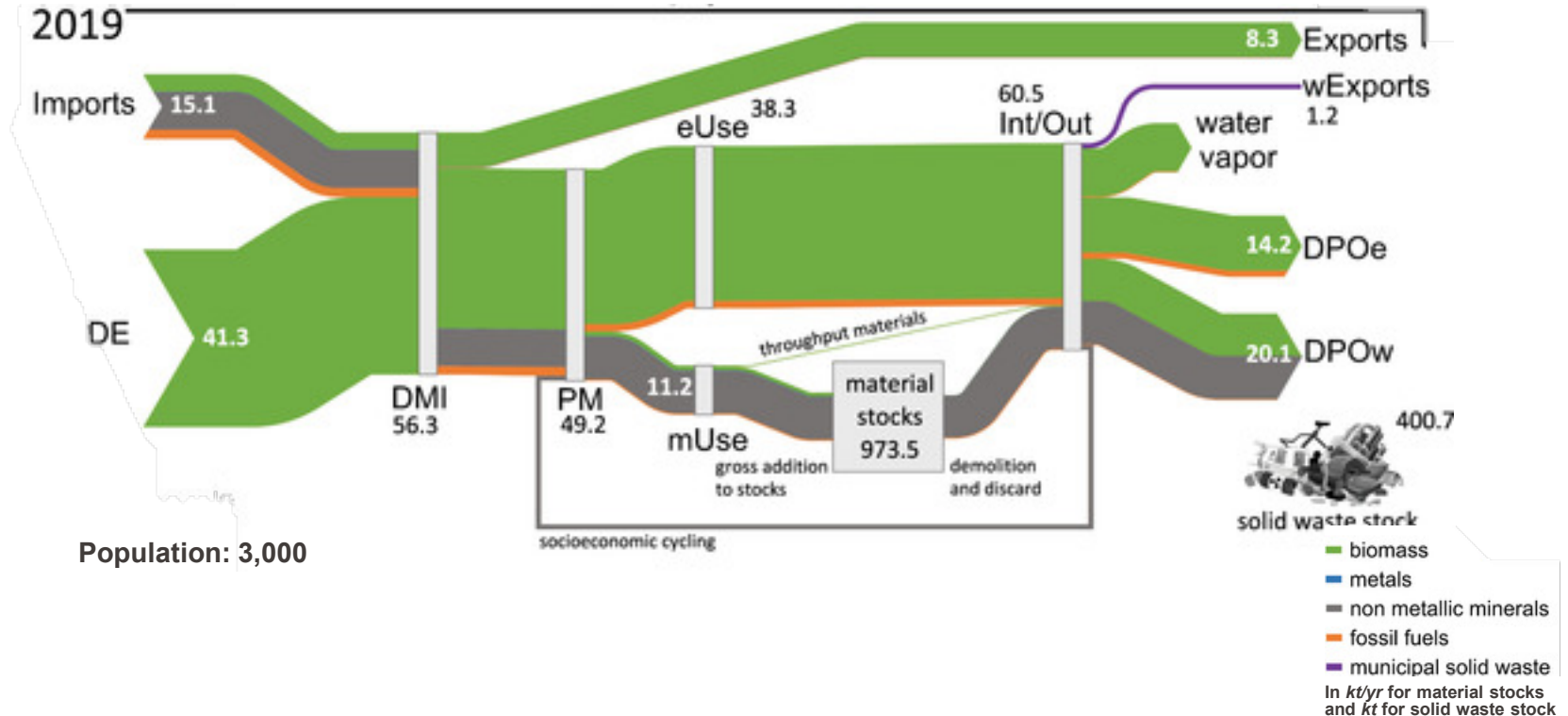


Population: 3,100

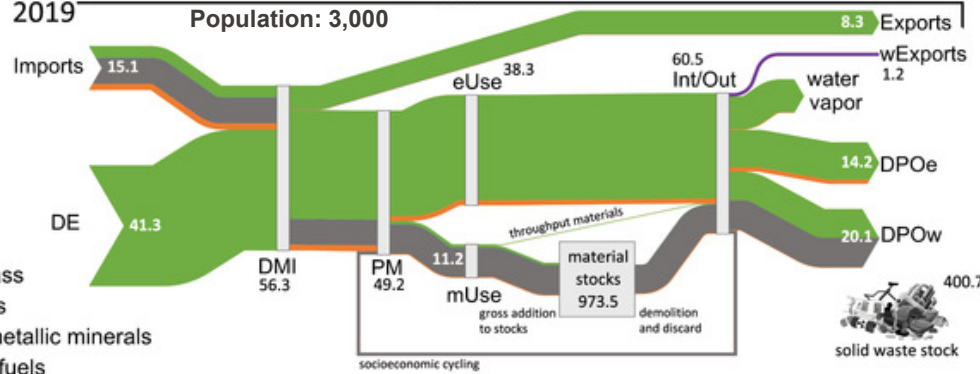
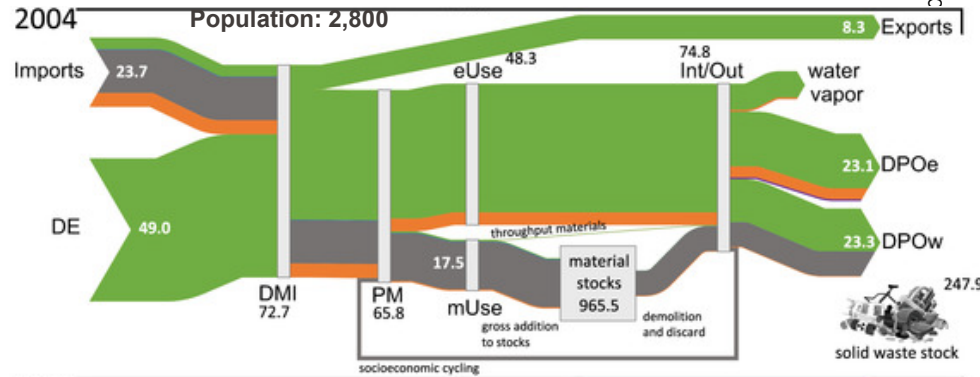
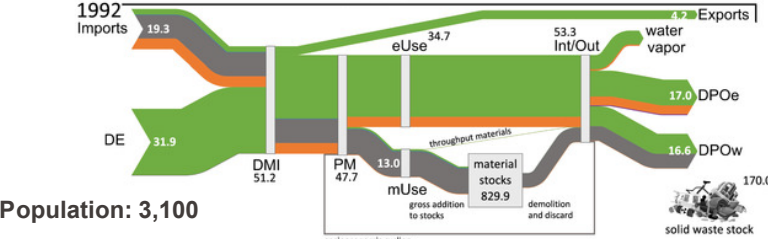
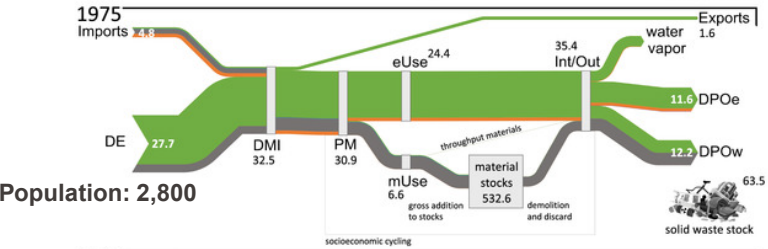
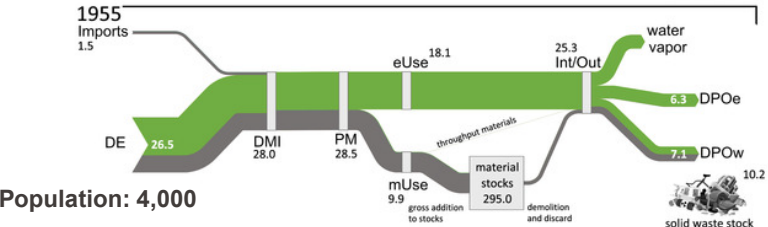
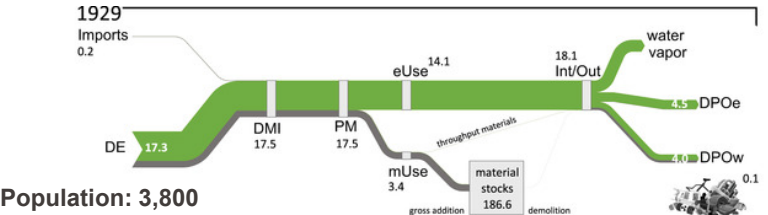
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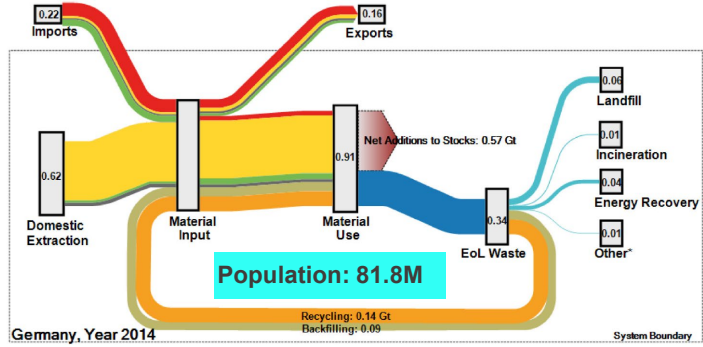
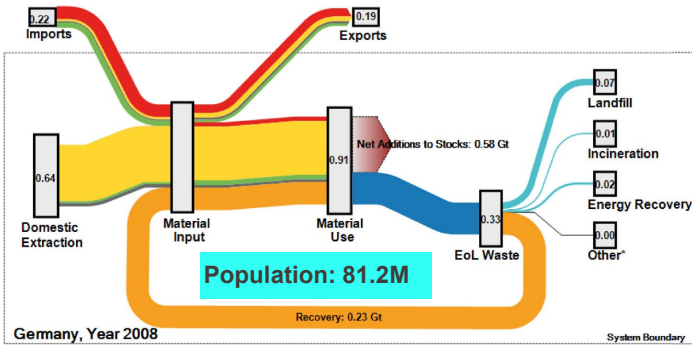
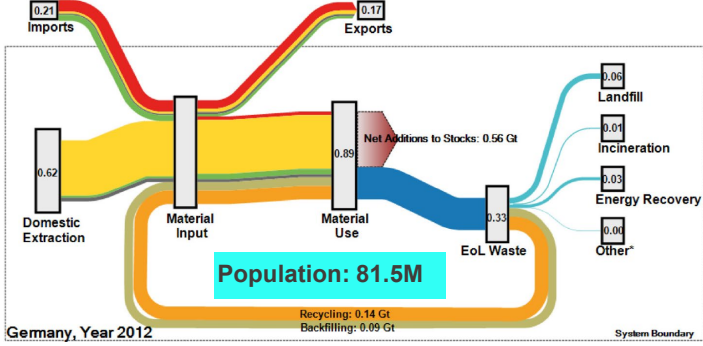
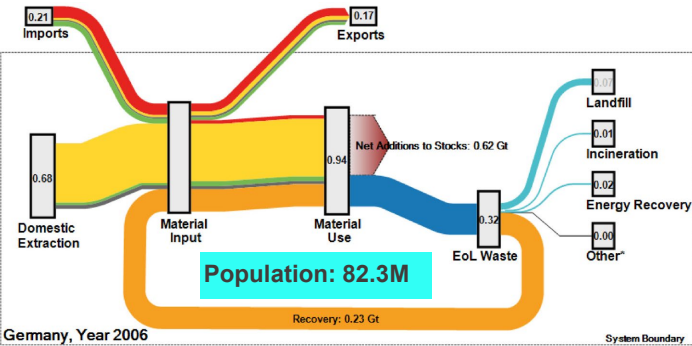
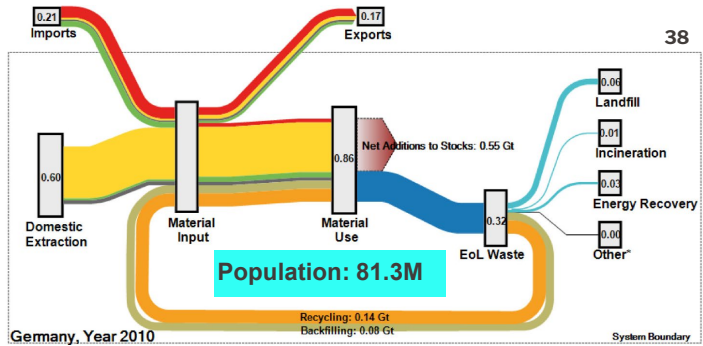
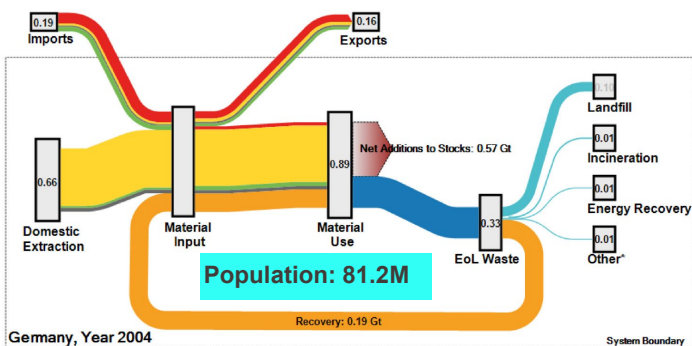
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Gt/yr

- █ Metals
- █ Constr. Minerals
- █ Biomass
- █ Industr. Minerals
- █ Waste Generation
- █ Waste Treatment
- █ Recycling
- █ Backfilling

Source: [European Commission 2017](#)

■ Laboratory on Human-Environment Relations in Urban Systems



Where to find data

- Open data portals (UN Comtrade database; FAOSTAT, etc.)
- Country/city statistics, Specialized reports

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Food Balances (2010-)

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World mineral production 2017-21

Production of crude steel

tonnes (metric)

Country	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Austria	8 134 600	6 885 000	7 423 500	6 765 100	7 920 000
Azerbaijan	387 258	381 617	325 895	264 506	304 077
Belarus	2 432 580	2 572 862	2 717 705	2 559 577	2 390 000
Belgium	7 842 300	7 980 000	7 760 000	6 120 000	6 910 000
Bosnia & Herzegovina	734 518	677 443	800 600	740 194	774 832
Bulgaria	652 400	666 100	565 900	483 800	547 500
Croatia	—	135 800	69 126	45 273	185 143
Czech Republic	4 553 000	4 966 000	4 600 000	2 900 000	4 700 000
Finland	4 003 634	4 100 000	3 511 000	3 482 000	4 322 000
France	15 504 683	15 387 355	14 449 651	11 595 698	13 946 700

Spatial Stock Analysis (bottom-up)



Material stock definition (recap)



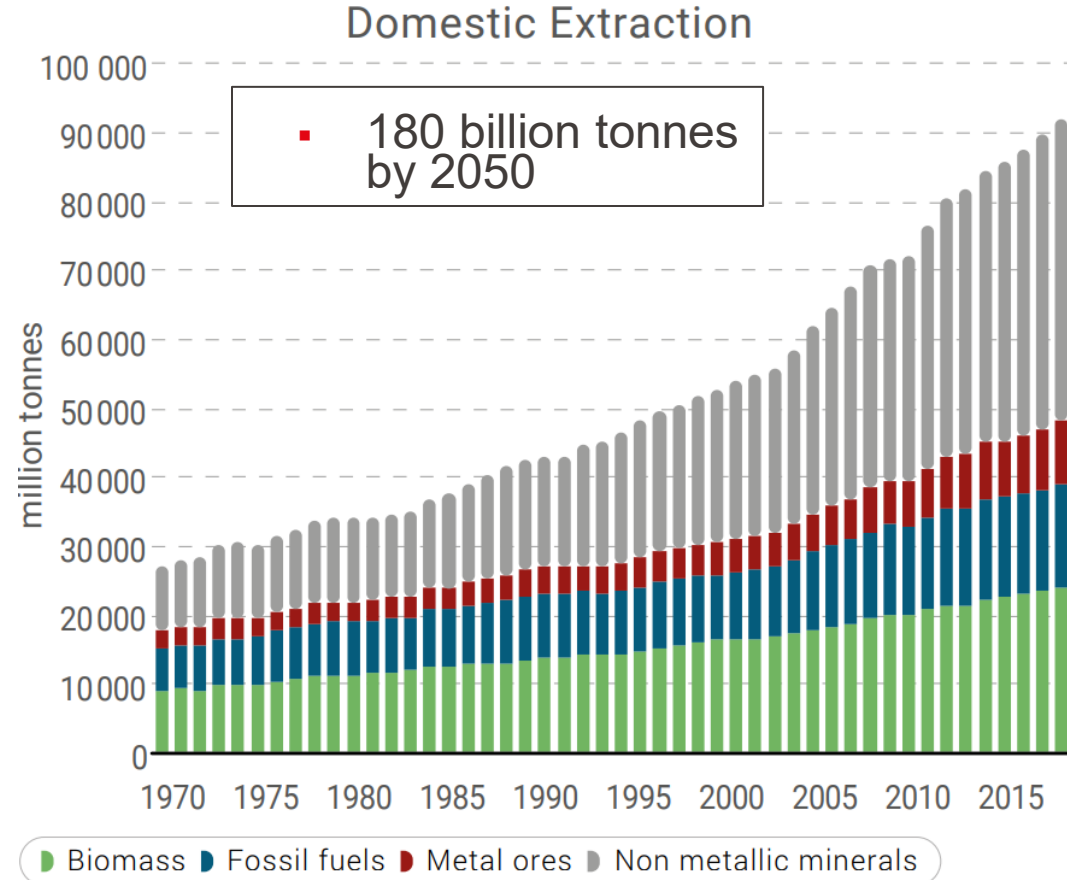
What is a **stock**?

- A **stock** represents the **accumulated quantity** of a material, resource, or product present in a **defined system or boundary** at a given point in **time**.
- In industrial ecology, stocks can refer to physical assets such as buildings, infrastructure, machinery, or the amount of a resource stored within a particular environment (e.g., metal stock in urban buildings).
- Stocks are crucial because they influence how materials are used, maintained, and eventually released back into the environment.

- In 2015, **75%** of all **extracted materials** were linked to **material stocks**
 - Buildings
 - Infrastructures
 - Machinery, etc.

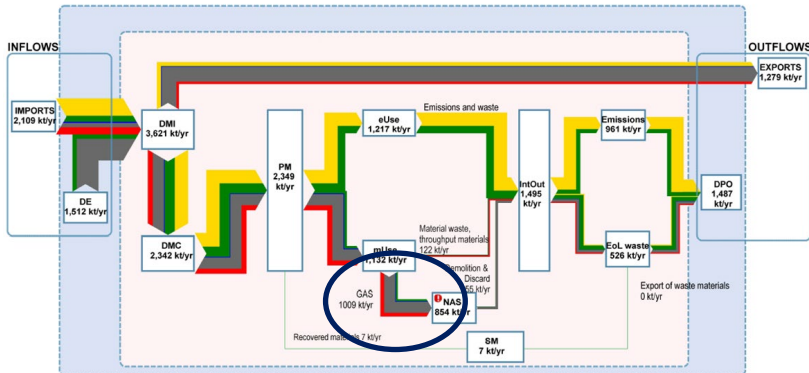
- Utilized for **building** and **maintaining** these, or for **operating** them and **providing services**

Krausmann et al. (2020) - Growing stocks of buildings, infrastructures and machinery as key challenge for compliance with climate targets. *Global Environmental Change*, 61(2020), 102034



Source: UNEP & IRP, 2018

Material Stocks

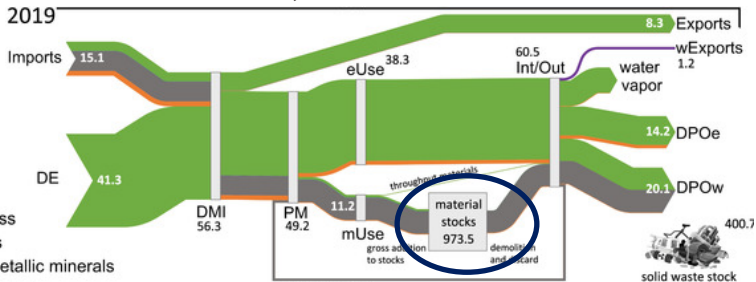


- Fossil
- Biomass
- Metal Ores
- Non-metallic minerals
- Other

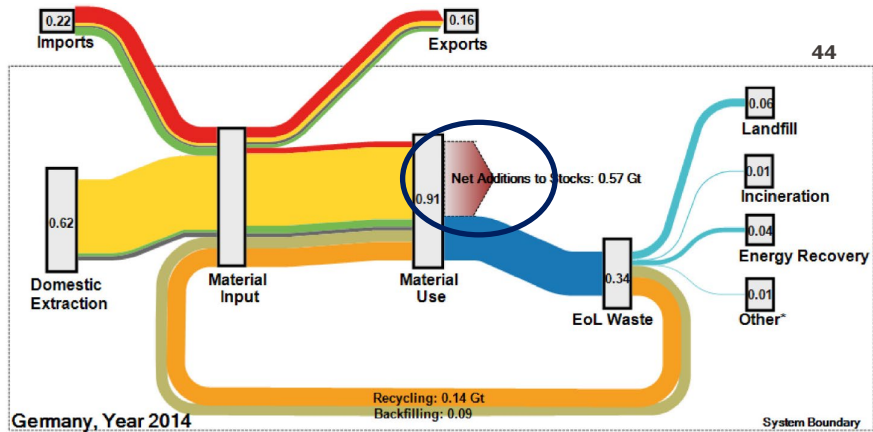
Source: [Martin del Campo et al. \(2023\)](#)

+40% of total DMC
 +90% goes to buildings
 Non-metallic minerals, Metals, Industrial roundwood

+20% of total DMC
 +56% buildings, +43% infrastructure
 Non-metallic minerals, Metals



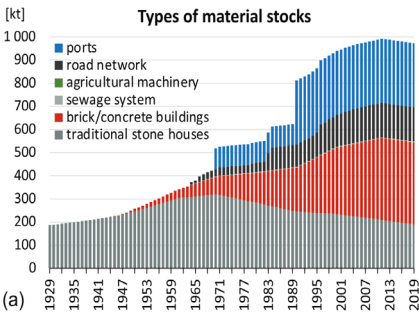
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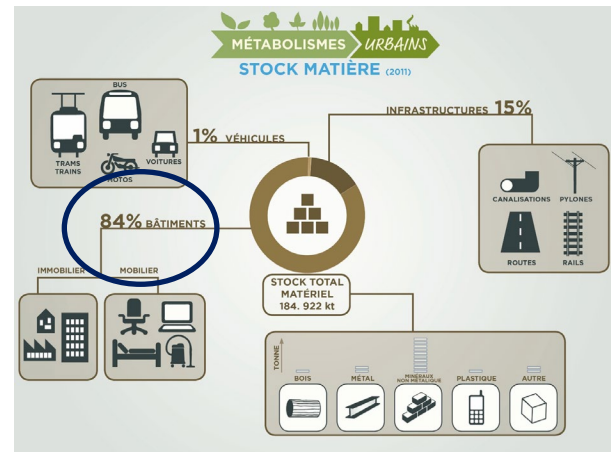
Germany, Year 2014

+83% of total DMC
 In-use infrastructure

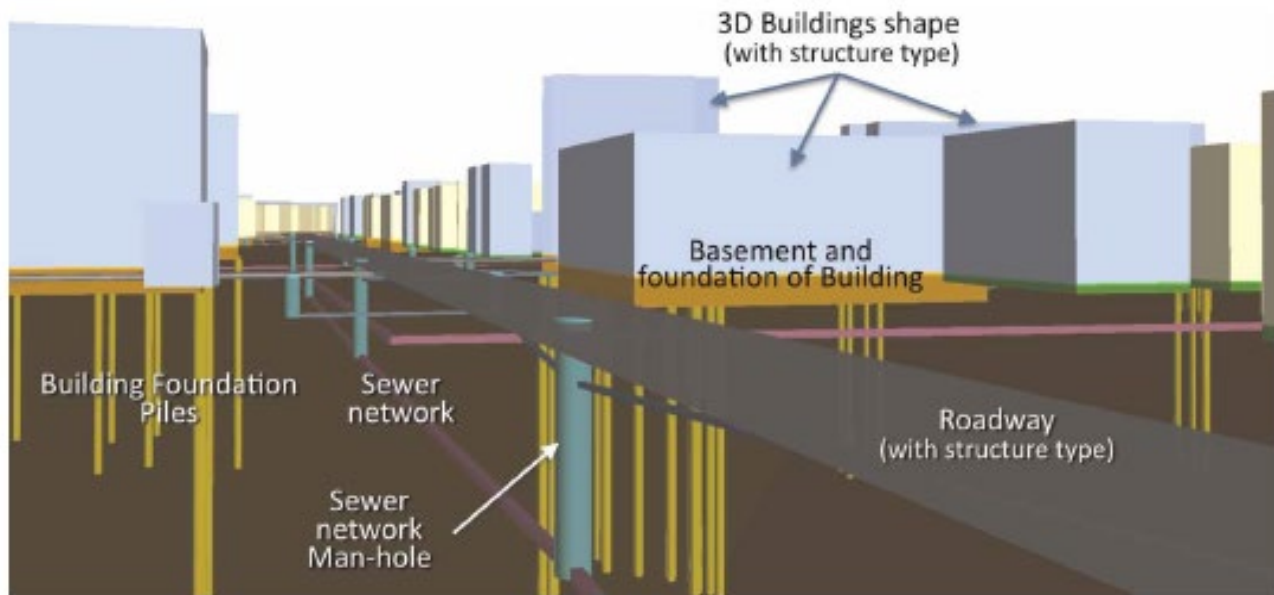
Source: [European Commission \(2017\)](#)



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Source: [Bruxelles Environnement \(2015\)](#),



- Buildings
 - Foundations
 - Walls, roof
 - Furniture...

- Road network
 - Sub-base material
 - Base material
 - Surface course...

- Sewer network
 - Drains
 - Connections
 - Treatment plant...

Tanikawa, H., & Hashimoto, S. (2009). Urban stock over time: spatial material stock analysis using 4d-GIS. *Building Research & Information*, 37(5-6), 483-502.

Circular Economy at large

Buildings

- Iron & steel, concrete...

Cables/pipes

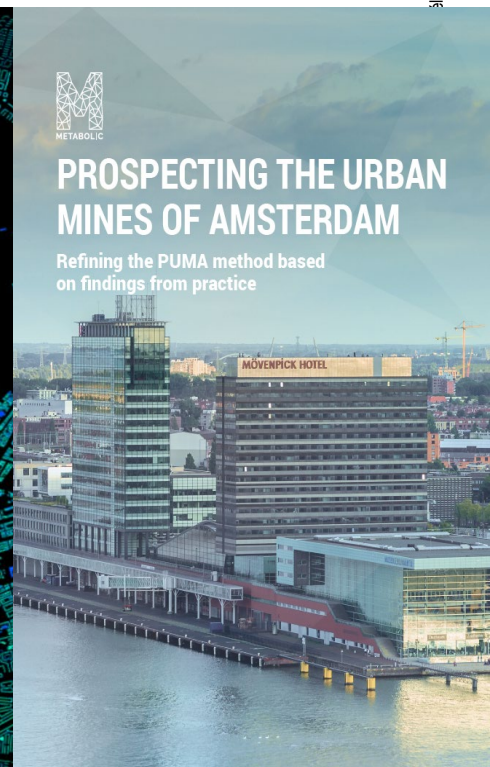
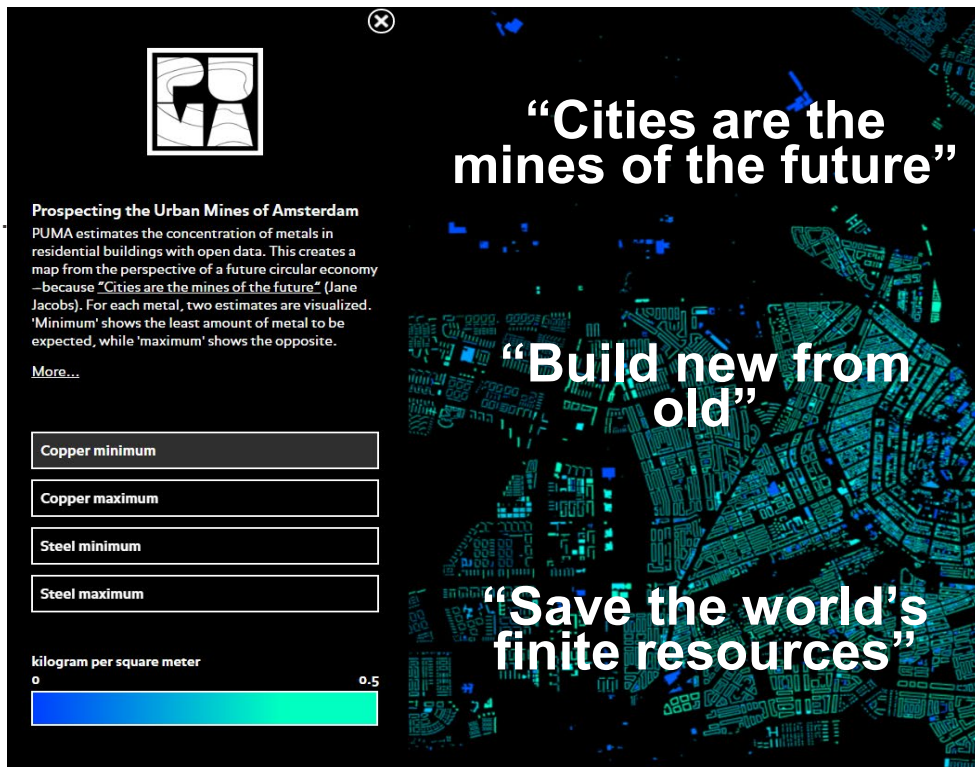
- Copper

Window frames

- Aluminum


Electronics

- Gold



Metabolic (2017). Prospecting the urban mines of Amsterdam. Refining the PUMA method based on findings from Practice


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Material stocks: Why is it important?

- Material stocks induce long-term dynamics of resource use
- Material stocks can predict and localize future waste/resources
- Secondary materials mine (urban mining)
- Reduce embodied environmental impacts of the construction sector

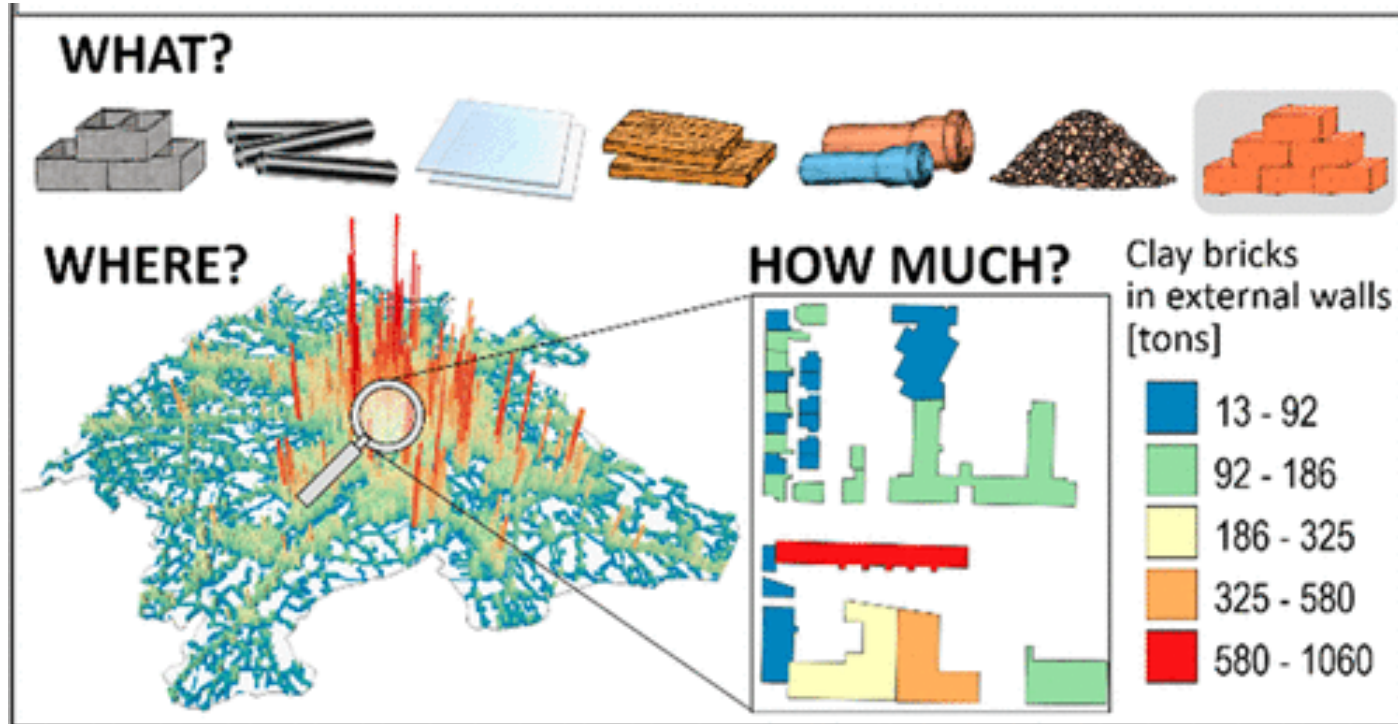
Table 1
Summary presentation of selected studies.

Studies	Purpose	Space and time scales, built works, materials and dissipative flows	Main methodological approach for studying current flows and stock	Main methodological approach for forecasting
Obernosterer et al. (1998)	Studying urban metabolism Estimating the present stock	Urban (Vienna in Austria) 1991 All constructions All materials, metals in detail (iron, aluminium, zinc, lead)	Bottom-up stock analysis Static bottom-up flow analysis	No forecasting
Kolher and Hassler (2002), Kolher and Yang (2007), Yang and Kolher (2008)	Forecasting and comparing future input and output flows Studying the influence of several parameters on future flows Estimating the future stock	National (Germany and China) 1992, until 2030 (Germany); 2005, since 1978, until 2050 (China) Buildings: road (including bridges and tunnels), rail, water, gas and electricity networks Cement, steel, wood, bricks, sand, aggregates, bitumen, glass, plastics, non-ferrous metals	Static bottom-up flow analysis Static top-down flow analysis	Dynamic flow analysis: stock-driven model
Faist Emmenegger and Frischknecht (2003)	Studying urban metabolism Estimating the present stock	Urban (canton of Geneva in Switzerland) 2000 Buildings: road, rail, water, gas and electricity networks Gravel/sand, concrete, bitumen, bricks, plastics, wood, iron, copper, aluminium	Bottom-up stock analysis Static bottom-up flow analysis	No forecasting
Muller et al. (2004), Muller (2006)	Forecasting and comparing future input and output flows Studying the influence of several parameters on future flows	Regional (Kreuzung Schweizer Mittelland in Switzerland) and national (Netherlands) 1900–1997, 1997–2100 (Kreuzung Schweizer Mittelland); 1900–2003, 2003–2100 (Netherlands) Housing Wood (Kreuzung Schweizer Mittelland); Concrete and wood (Netherlands)	Retrospective dynamic flow analysis: stock-driven model	Prospective dynamic flow analysis: stock-driven model

Author	Method Applied	Scale	Type of Project	Summary
Guo et al. [14]	Bottom-Up	City	Roads	An integrated model was developed that estimated the material stock of all roads (expressways, major and minor roads), intersection structure and ancillary structure. The author used GIS to avoid double count and to estimate better.
Wang et al. [15]	Bottom-Up	City	Building	Combining the data of material flow and stock analysis with the GIS to show the spatiotemporal features of the buildings. The researchers estimated the material stock using the on the ground estimation of the buildings than estimating the CO ₂ and embodied energy emission using the scenarios of recycling/reuse rates
Surahman et al. [8]	Bottom-Up	City	Buildings	The study quantified the road material stock in the United States using the historical data of material flow.
Miatto et al. [16]	Bottom-Up	Country	Roads	The study used the bottom-up approach to quantify the material stock of each building in Melbourne. Then it quantified its embodied energy.
Stephan and Athanassiadis [17]	Bottom-Up	City	Buildings	The author found the material stock lost in both the buildings and road due to the earthquake.
Tanikawa et al. [18]	Top-Down	Region	Building and roads	The study estimated the material stock of building in Singapore at the component level. In contrast, previous research focused on the material level.
Arora et al. [19]	Bottom-Up	City	Buildings	The study used the existing GIS data to estimate the material stock of an Eastern Chinese City.
Guoa et al. [20]	Bottom-Up	City	Buildings	The study found the floor area, material intensity, material flow, and demolition curve of the material stock. The study showed the results on a 4D GIS map.
Chen et al. [21]	Top-Down	Region	Buildings	In this research, the study used an innovative technique to find the material stock. The author found the material stock at the neighborhood level and then clustered them based upon similar
Gontia et al. [22]	Top-Down	City	Buildings, roads, and pipes	

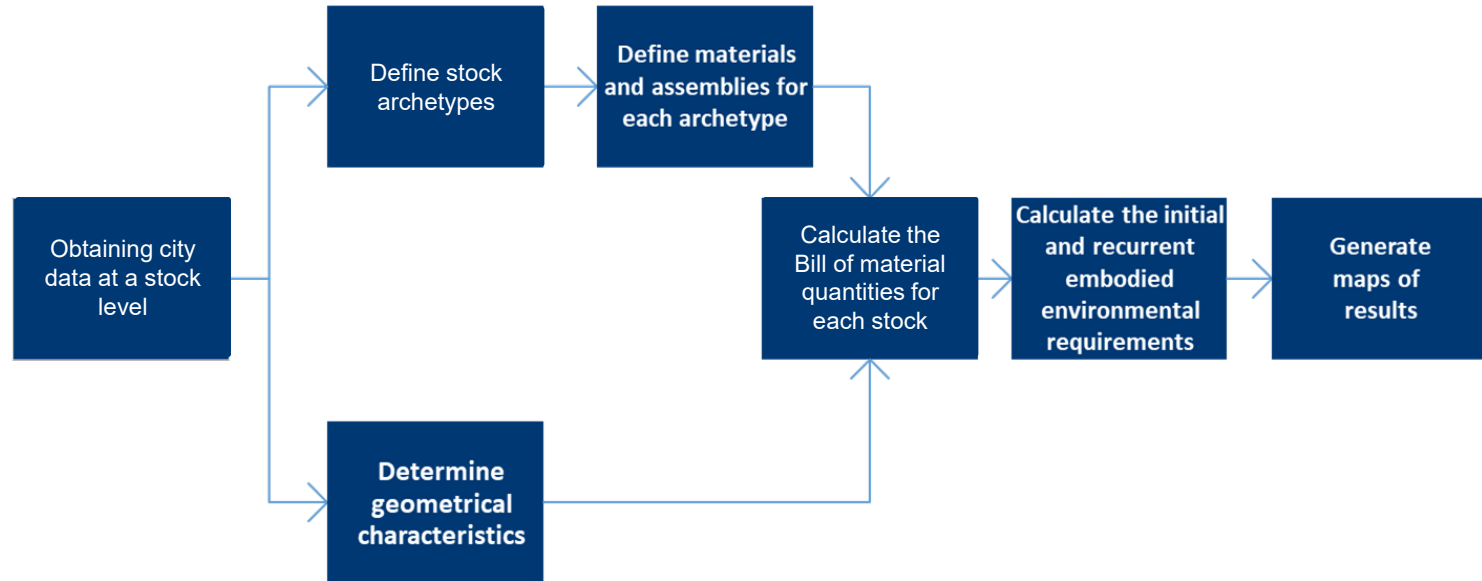
Spatial Stock Analysis (bottom-up)

Bottom-up approach consists of measuring the current dimensions of the infrastructure (e.g., building, road) and converting them into mass



Spatial Stock Analysis (bottom-up)

- General steps

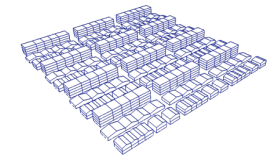


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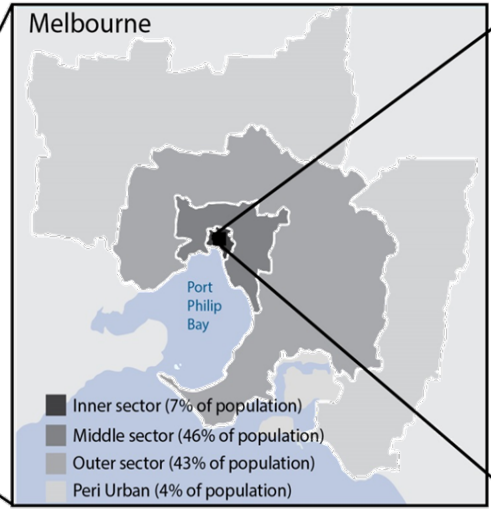
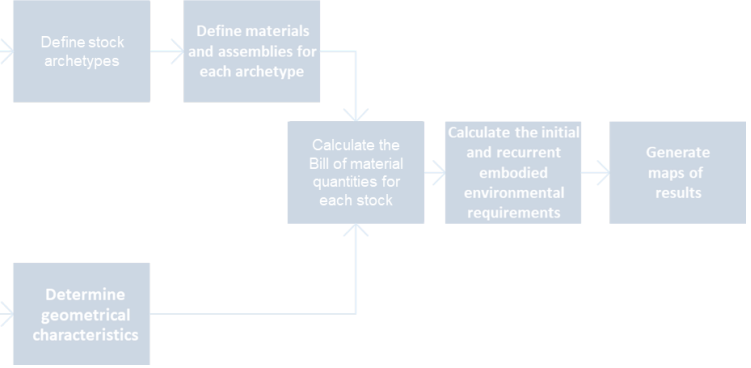


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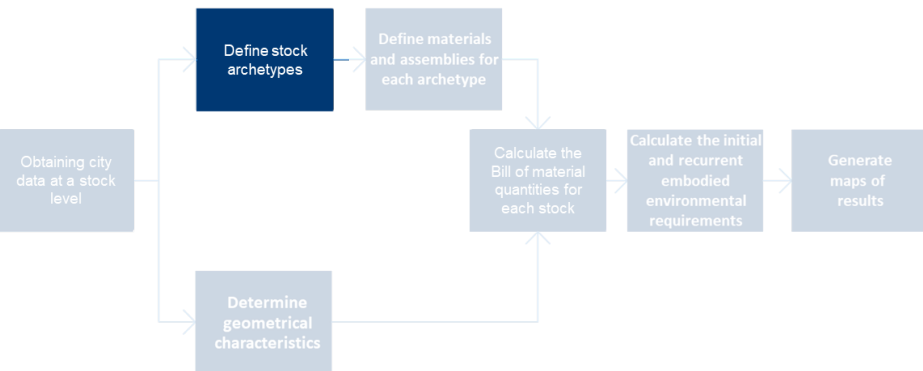
- Year built,
- Classification,
- Height...



Obtaining city data at a stock level

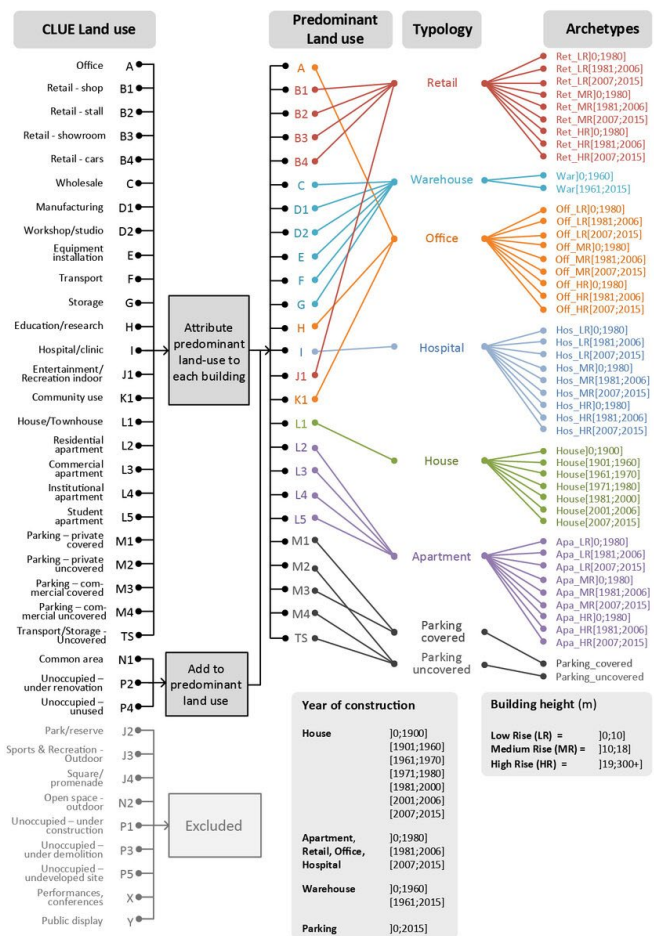


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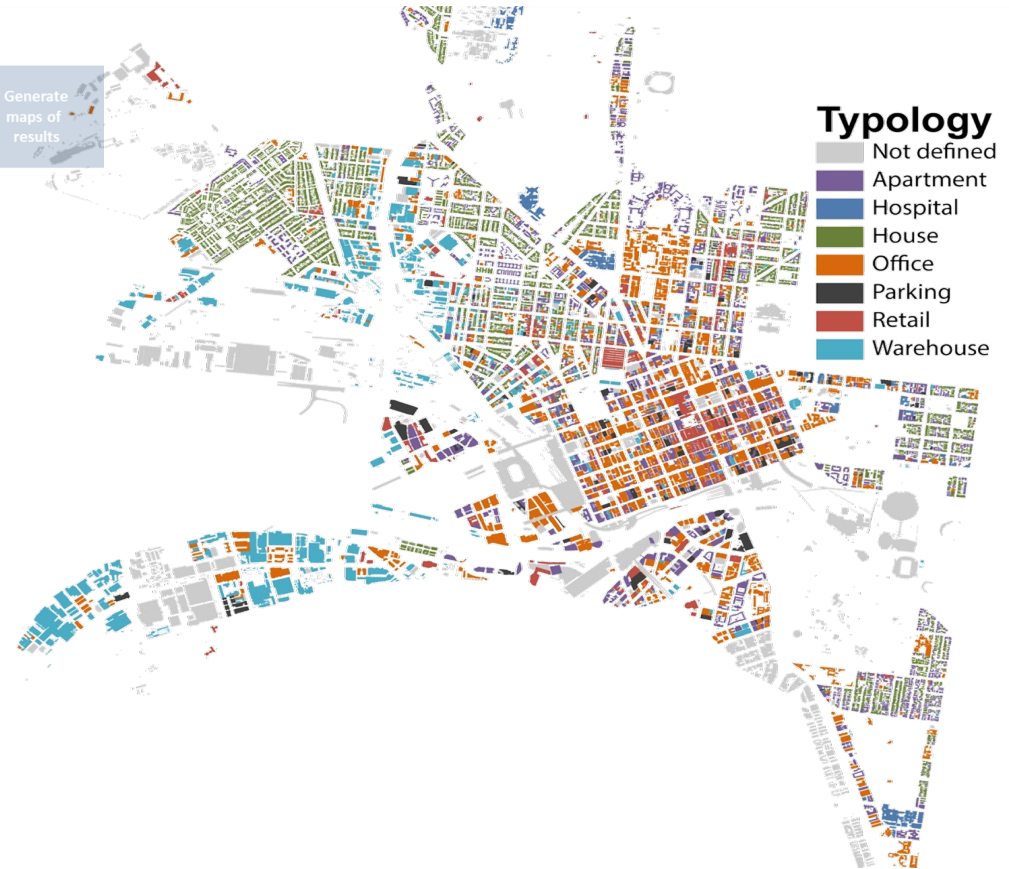
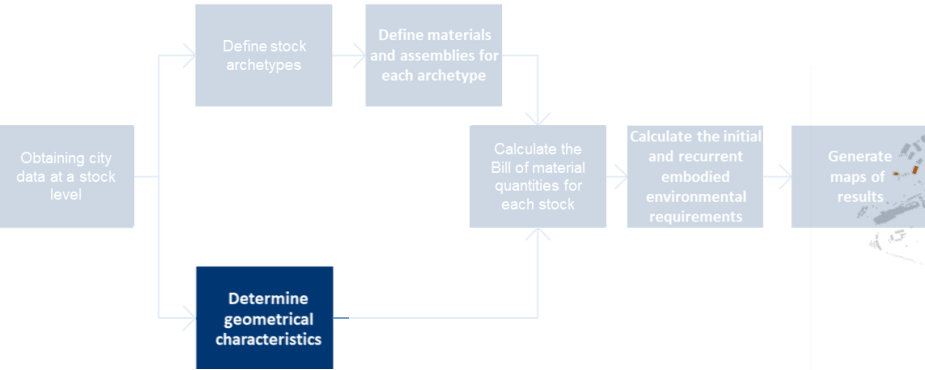
Archetypes

- 30 predominant land-uses
- 8 typologies
- 7 construction time periods
- 3 heights



48 Archetypes

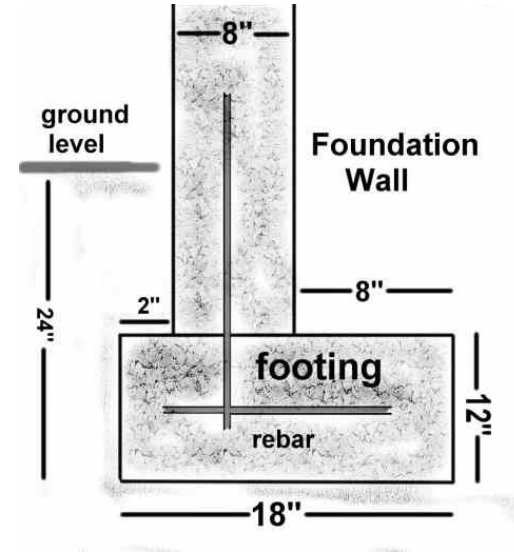
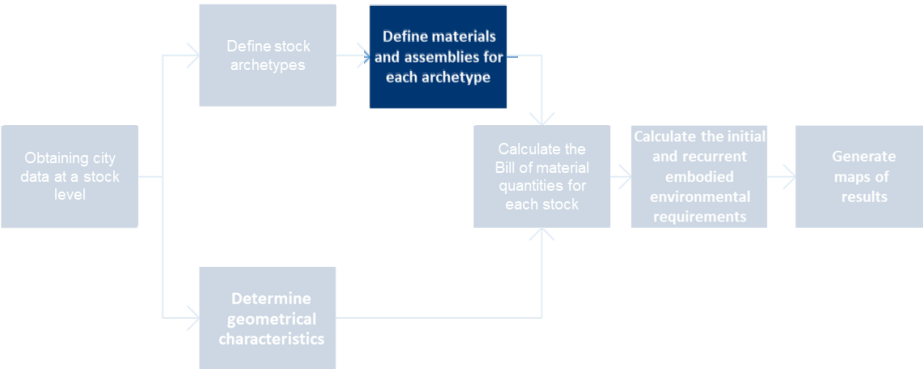
Spatial Stock Analysis (bottom-up)



Geometries

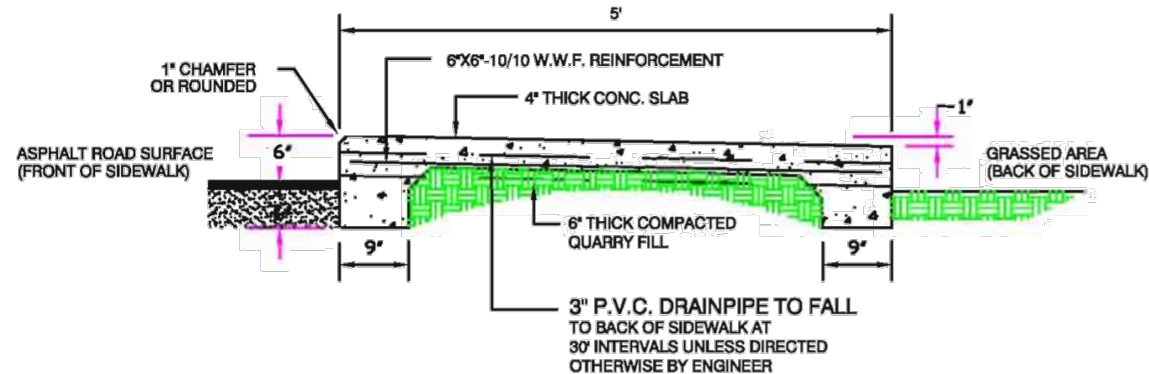
- Points,
- Lines & length,
- Polygons & area,
- Elevations...

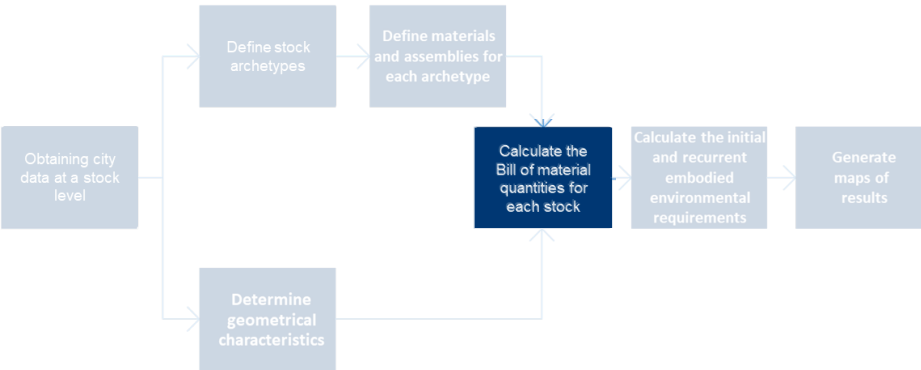
Spatial Stock Analysis (bottom-up)



Assemblies & materials

- Concrete,
- Gravel,
- Steel,
- Bricks...



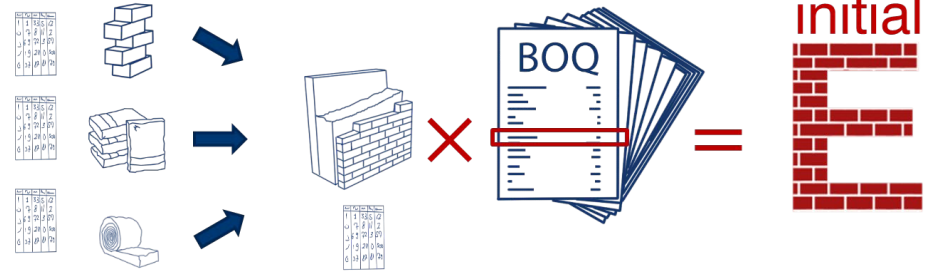
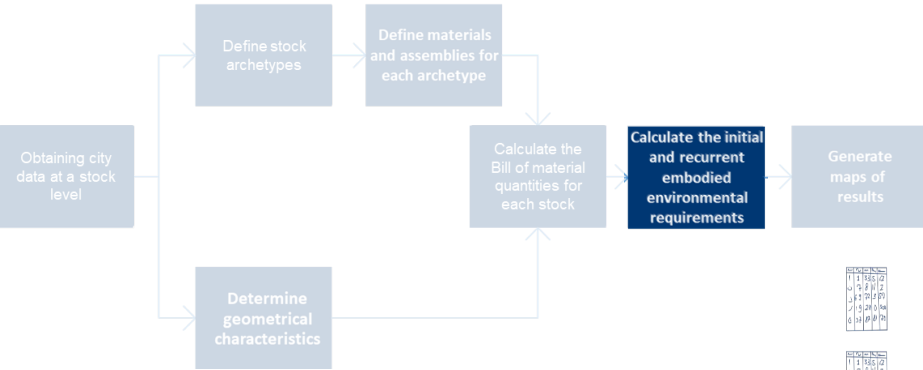


Bill of quantities (BoQ)

- Total concrete,
- Gravel,
- Steel,
- Bricks...

Road archetype 1		Road archetype 2	
Surface road		Surface Road	
Asphalt thickness (cm)	4	Asphalt thickness (cm)	4
Asphalt length (cm)	732	Asphalt length (cm)	610
Total Area (m2)	0.29	Total Area (m2)	0.24
Total Volume per 1 ml (m3)	0.29	Total Volume per 1 ml (m3)	0.24
Density of Asphalt (kg/m3)	2,300	Density of Asphalt (kg/m3)	2,300
Total weight per 1 ml (kg)	667	Total weight per 1 ml (kg)	552
Base material		Base material	
Base thickness (cm)	20	Base thickness (cm)	20
Base length (cm)	732	Base length (cm)	610
Basel Area (m2)	1.46	Basel Area (m2)	1.22
Base Volume per 1 ml (m3)	1.46	Base Volume per 1 ml (m3)	1.22
Density of Base (kg/m3)	1,680	Density of Base (kg/m3)	1,680
Total weight per 1 ml (kg)	2,453	Total weight per 1 ml (kg)	2,050
Sidewalk		Sidewalk (Not applicable)	
Concrete Slab thickness (cm)	10		
Concrete slab length (cm)	183		
Total Area slab (m2)	0.18		
Total slab volume per 1 ml (m3)	0.18		
Concrete kerb thickness (cm)	15		
Concrete kerb height (cm)	23		
Total Area 2 kerbs (m2)	0.07		
Total kerb volume per 1 ml (m3)	0.07		
Density of Concrete (kg/m3)	2,400		
Total weight per 1 ml (kg)	598		

Spatial Stock Analysis (bottom-up)



Initial & recurrent requirements

- To build (Initial BoQ)
- To maintain,
- To operate

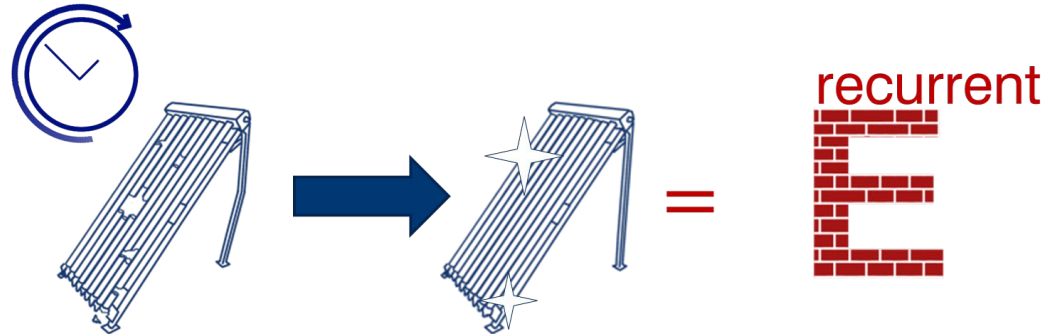
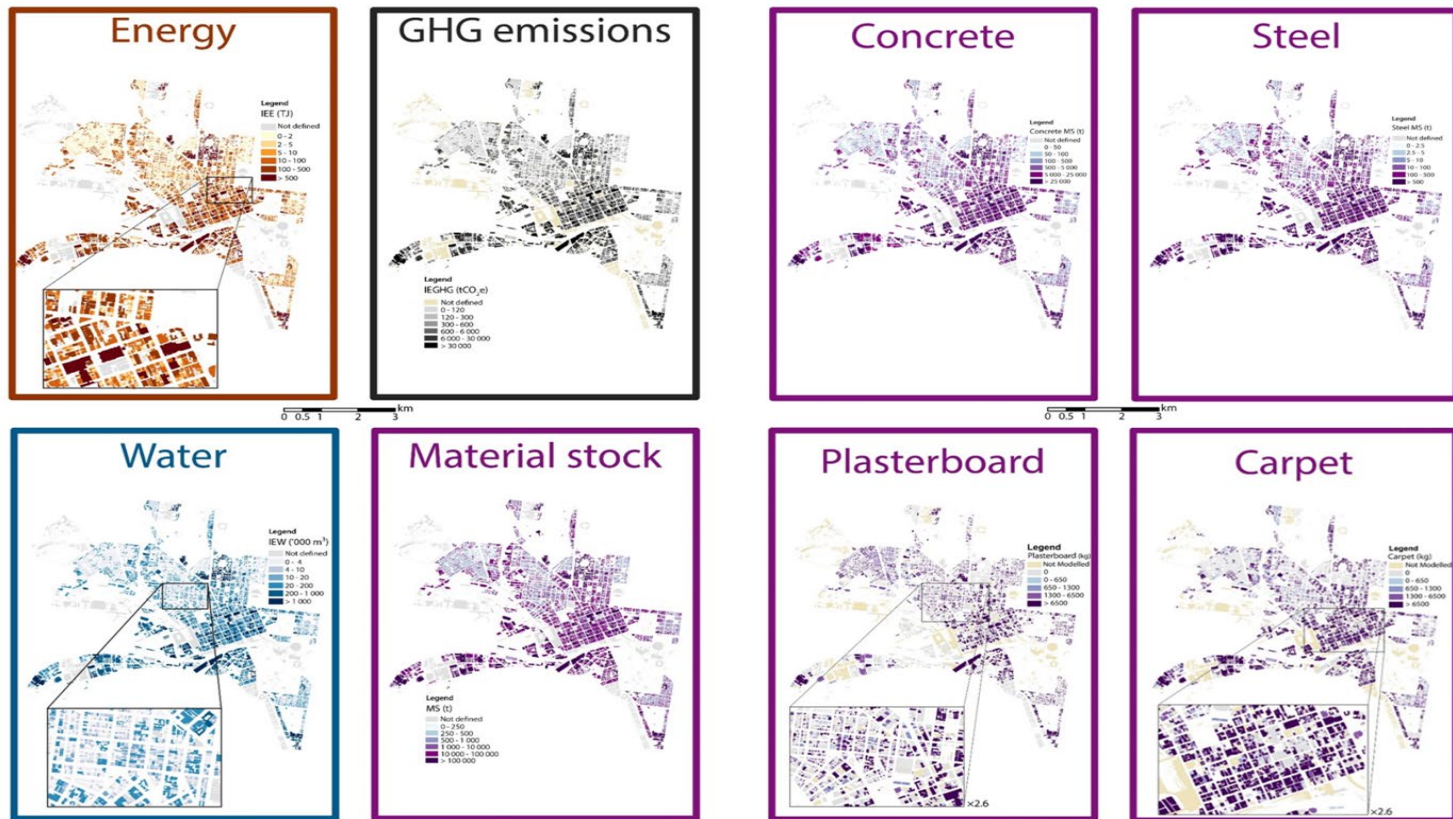


Table 1

Properties of main construction materials used in the model.

Material	Type	Unit	Weight (kg/unit)	Service life (years)	Material	Type	Unit	Weight (kg/unit)	Service life (years)
Aluminium	Reflective foil	m ²	0.31	30	Ceramics	Basin	no.	14	35
Aluminium	Roof coating	m ²	0.15	5	Concrete	15 MPa	m ³	2400	Not replaced
Aluminium	Interior shutters	m ²	0.34	12	Concrete	20 MPa	m ³	2400	Not replaced
Aluminium	Gutter	m	1.08	20	Concrete	25 MPa	m ³	2400	Not replaced
Aluminium	Frame	m	1.66	40	Concrete	32 MPa	m ³	2400	Not replaced
Aluminium	Door handle	no.	0.229	30	Concrete	Aerated block (200 mm)	m ²	181.5	Not replaced
Aluminium	Exterior shutters	m ²	0.34	40	Concrete	Cement (structural)	t	1000	Not replaced
Aluminium	Virgin	t	1000	35	Concrete	Cement (other)	t	1000	25
Aluminium	Sill	t	1000	40	Concrete	Hollow block (200 mm)	m ²	148.5	Not replaced
Bitumen	Plain	m ³	1020	20	Concrete	Roof tile (20 mm)	m ²	38.44	50
Carpet	Wool	m ²	2.5	10	Concrete	Mortar	m ³	1600	Not replaced
Carpet	Nylon	m ²	2.5	10	Concrete	Precast	m ³	2400	Not replaced
Ceramics	Clay bricks (110 mm)	m ²	158	Not replaced	Concrete	Hollow block (100 mm)	m ²	74.25	Not replaced
Ceramics	Tiles	m ²	23.2	50	Concrete	Hollow block (180 mm)	m ²	133.65	Not replaced
Ceramics	Terracotta roof tiles (20 mm)	m ²	38.44	50	Concrete	25 MPa (low waste)	m ³	2400	Not replaced
Ceramics	Fibre cement sheet (4.5 mm)	m ²	6.12	30	Copper	Pipe	m	0.082	30
Ceramics	Fibre cement sheet (6 mm)	m ²	8.16	30	Copper	Wire	t	1000	30
Ceramics	Toilet suite	no.	60	40	Glass	Clear float (4 mm) window pane	m ²	10	40
Ceramics	Basin	no.	14	35	Glass	Toughened glass (6 mm)	m ²	16.2	40
Concrete	15 MPa	m ³	2400	Not replaced	Glass	Toughened glass (12 mm)	m ²	32.4	40
Concrete	20 MPa	m ³	2400	Not replaced	Insulation	Expanded polystyrene	m ³	24	50
Concrete	25 MPa	m ³	2400	Not replaced	Insulation	Fibreglass	m ³	12	30
Concrete	32 MPa	m ³	2400	Not replaced	Insulation	EPS (sandwich panel fill)	m ³	24	50
Concrete	Aerated block (200 mm)	m ²	181.5	Not replaced	Paint	oil-based	m ²	0.069	10
Concrete	Cement (structural)	t	1000	Not replaced	Paint	water-based	m ²	0.077	10
Concrete	Cement (other)	t	1000	25	Plasterboard	(10 mm)	m ²	12	30
Concrete	Hollow block (200 mm)	m ²	148.5	Not replaced	Plasterboard	(13 mm)	m ²	15.6	30
Concrete	Roof tile (20 mm)	m ²	38.44	50	Plastics	General (PVC)	t	1000	30
Concrete	Mortar	m ³	1600	Not replaced	Plastics	Laminate (1 mm)	m ²	0.8	10
Concrete	Precast	m ³	2400	Not replaced	Plastics	Plastic membrane (1 mm)	m ²	0.8	100
Concrete	Hollow block (100 mm)	m ²	74.25	Not replaced	Plastics	Polystyrene (structural)	m ³	240	100
Concrete	Hollow block (180 mm)	m ²	133.65	Not replaced	Plastics	PVC water pipe (20 mm)	m	0.05	25
Concrete	25 MPa (low waste)	m ³	2400	Not replaced	Plastics	UPVC pipe (100 mm)	m	1.325	25

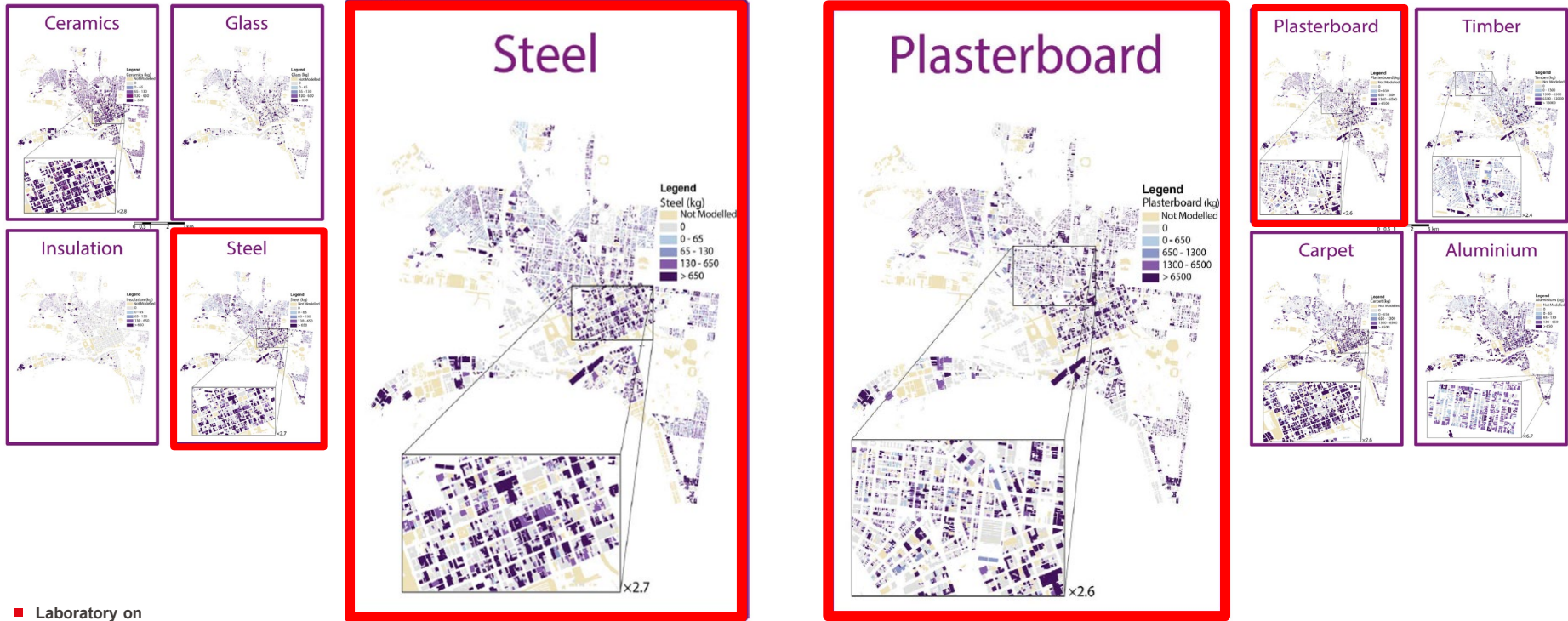
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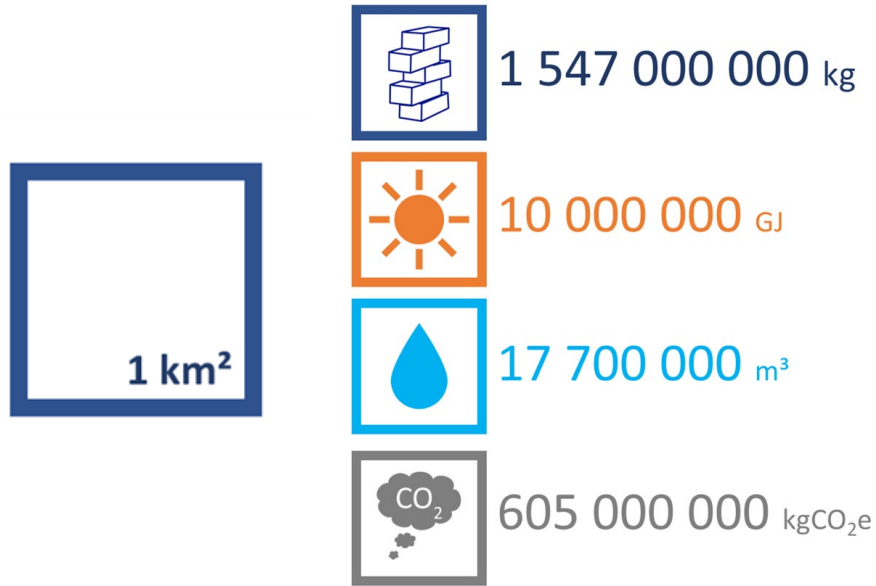
Locating exiting flows (urban mining)

Estimated accumulated building material replacement flows in the City of Melbourne from 2018 to 2030



Some insights

- Rebuilding the city of Melbourne would require...

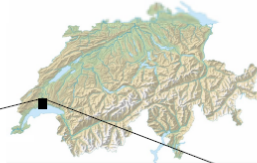


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Material stock of Lausanne

Municipalities of
Lausanne and Renens

Area : 44,34 km²
Residents : 161 036
Number of buildings : 9 937
Number of buildings modelled : 8 266



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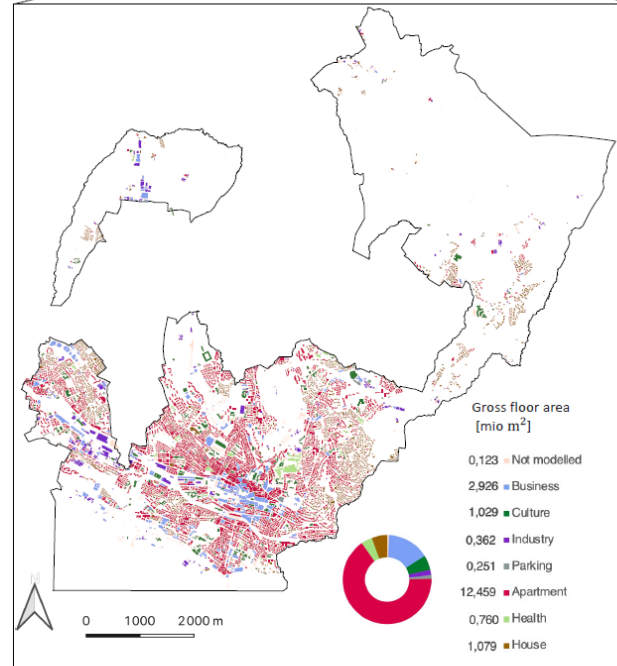


Figure 10: Location and map of Lausanne and Renens municipalities with building classified according to typology

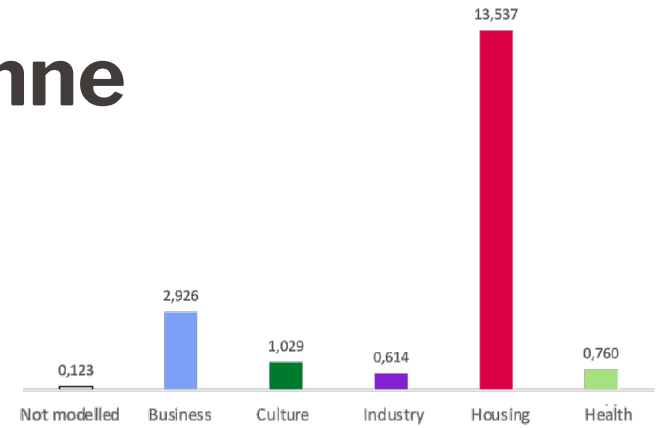


Figure 11: Gross floor area [mio m²] for each typology

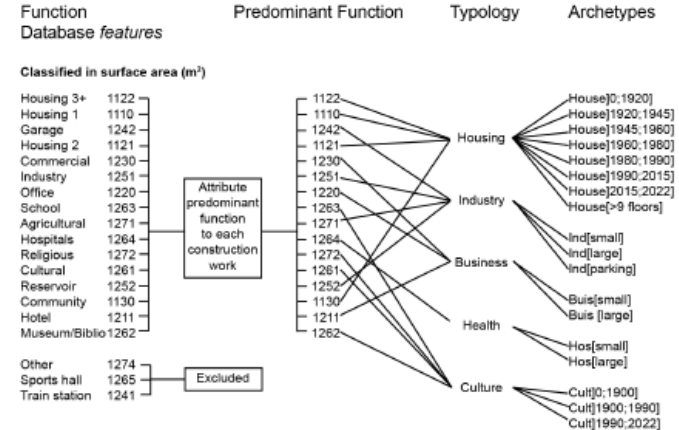
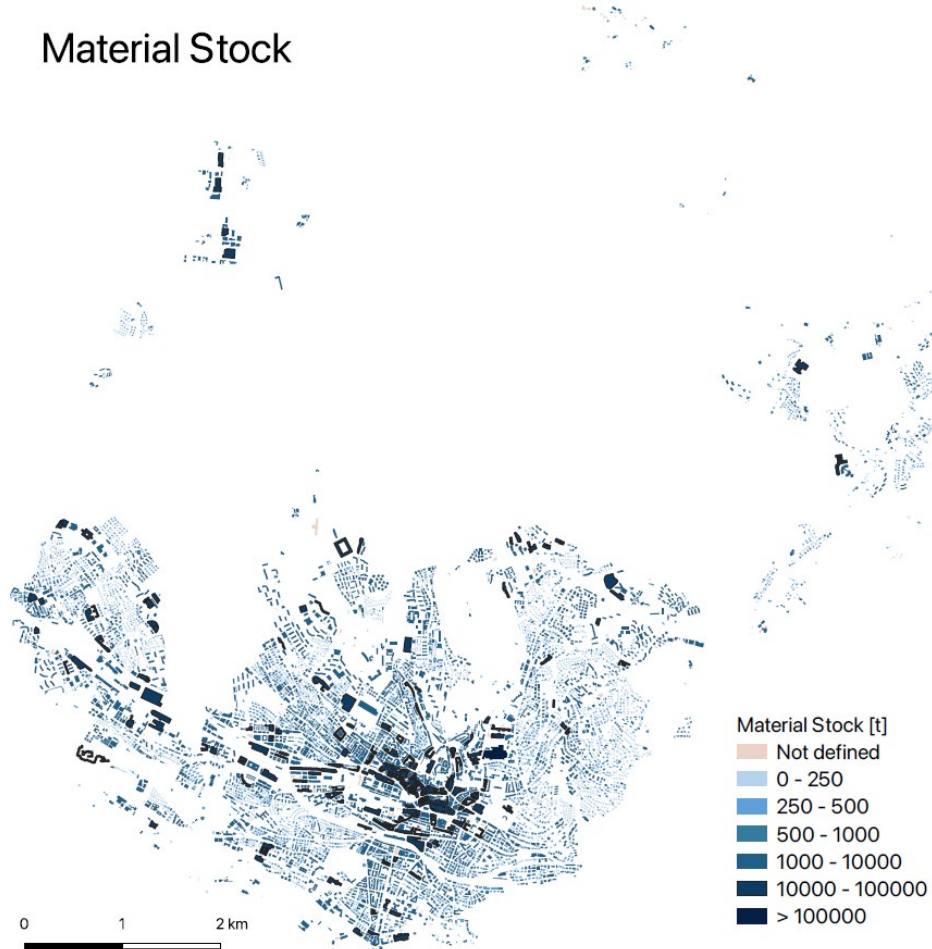


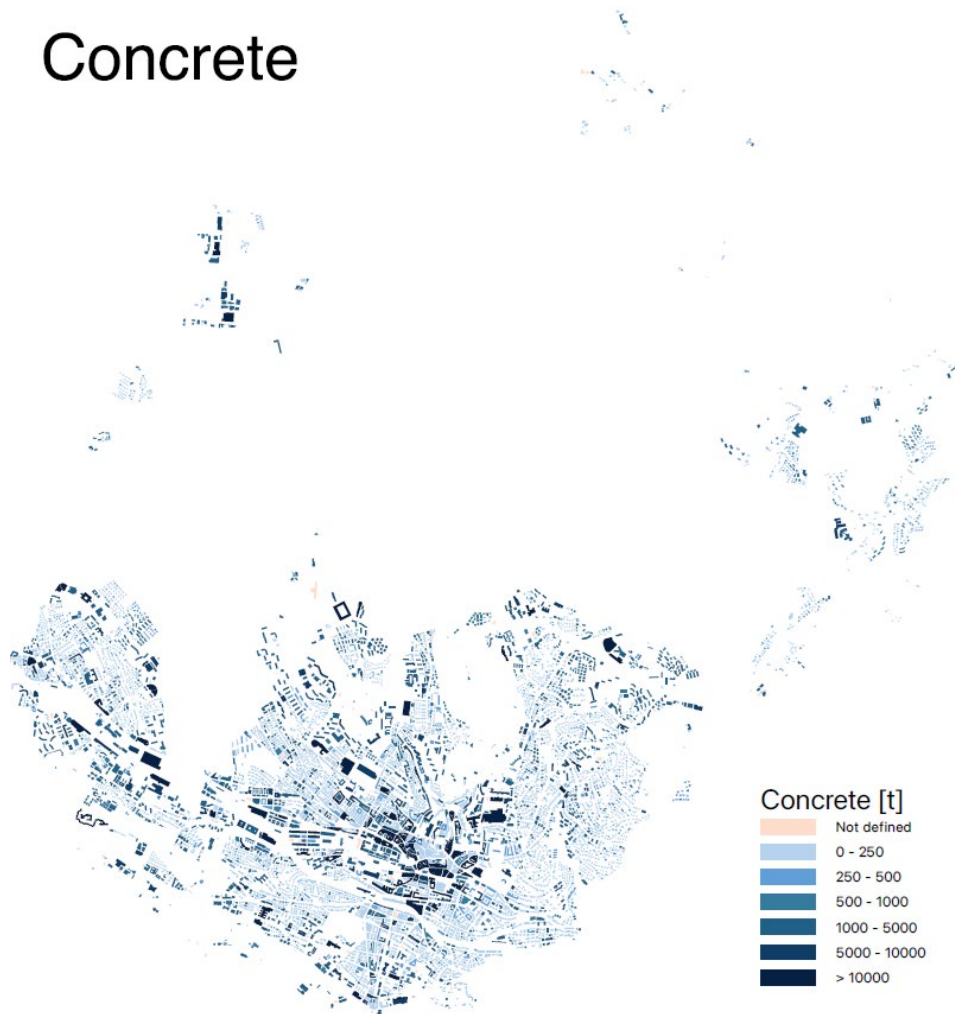
Figure 14: Data processing used to convert the database into building archetypes

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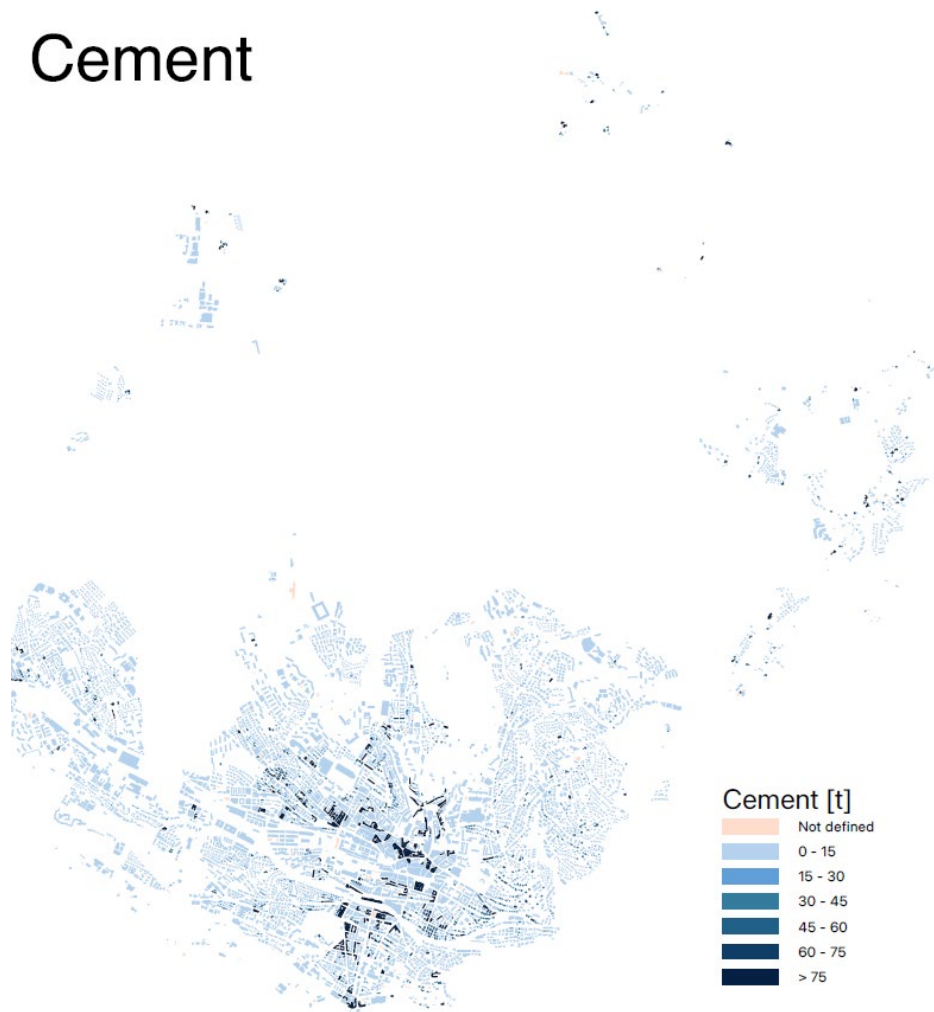
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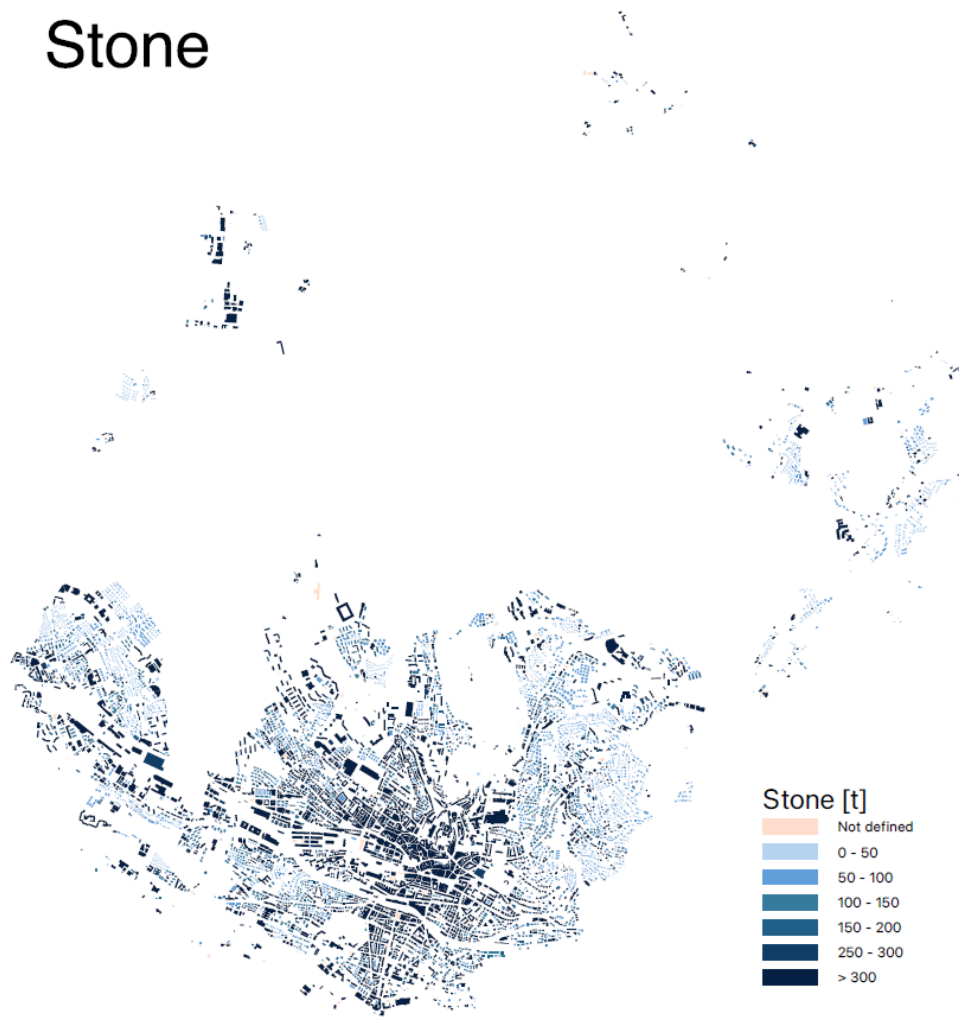
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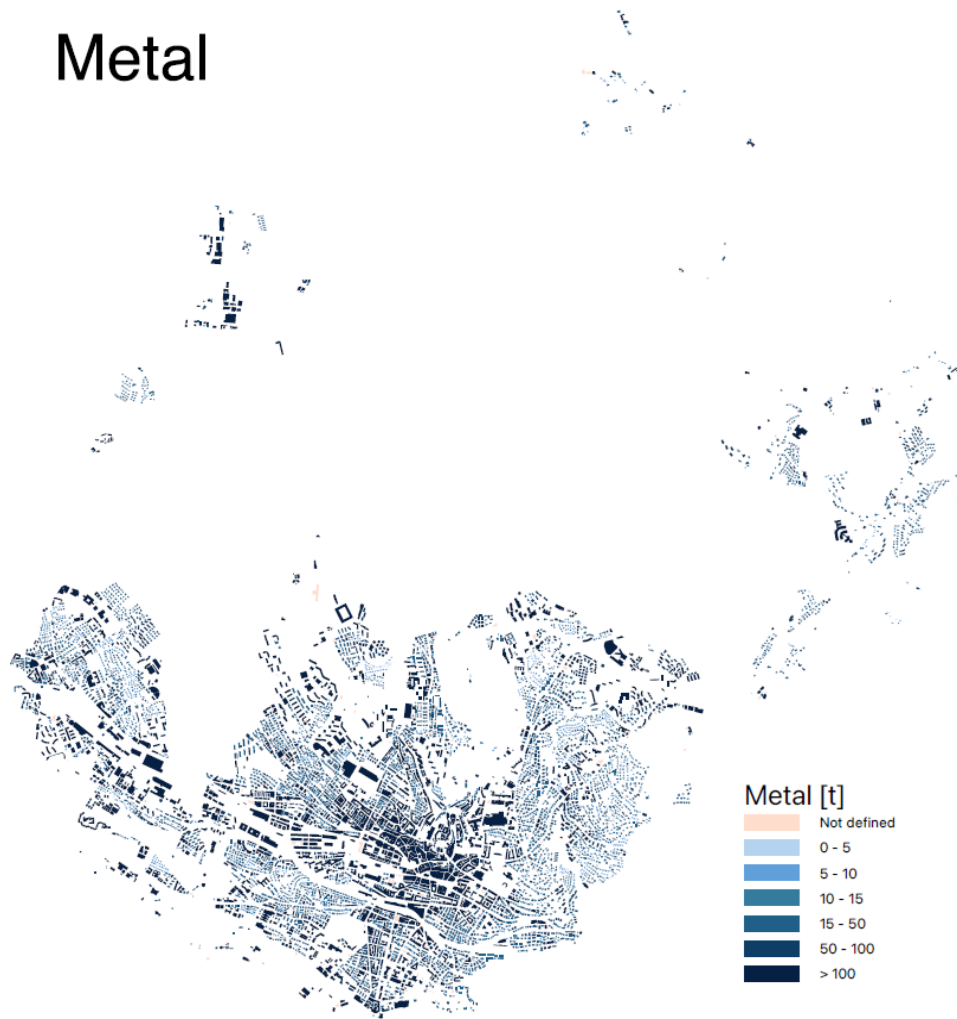
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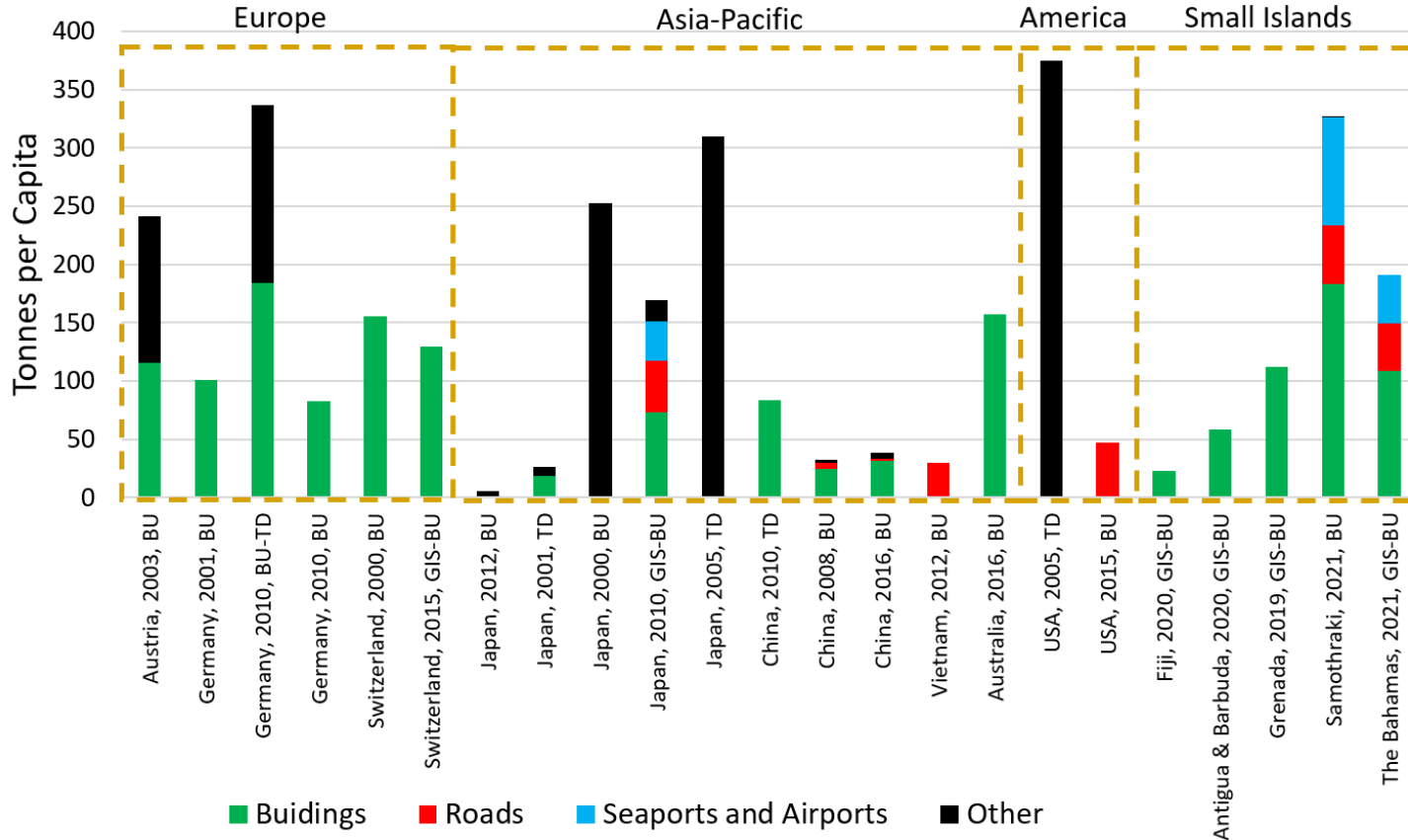


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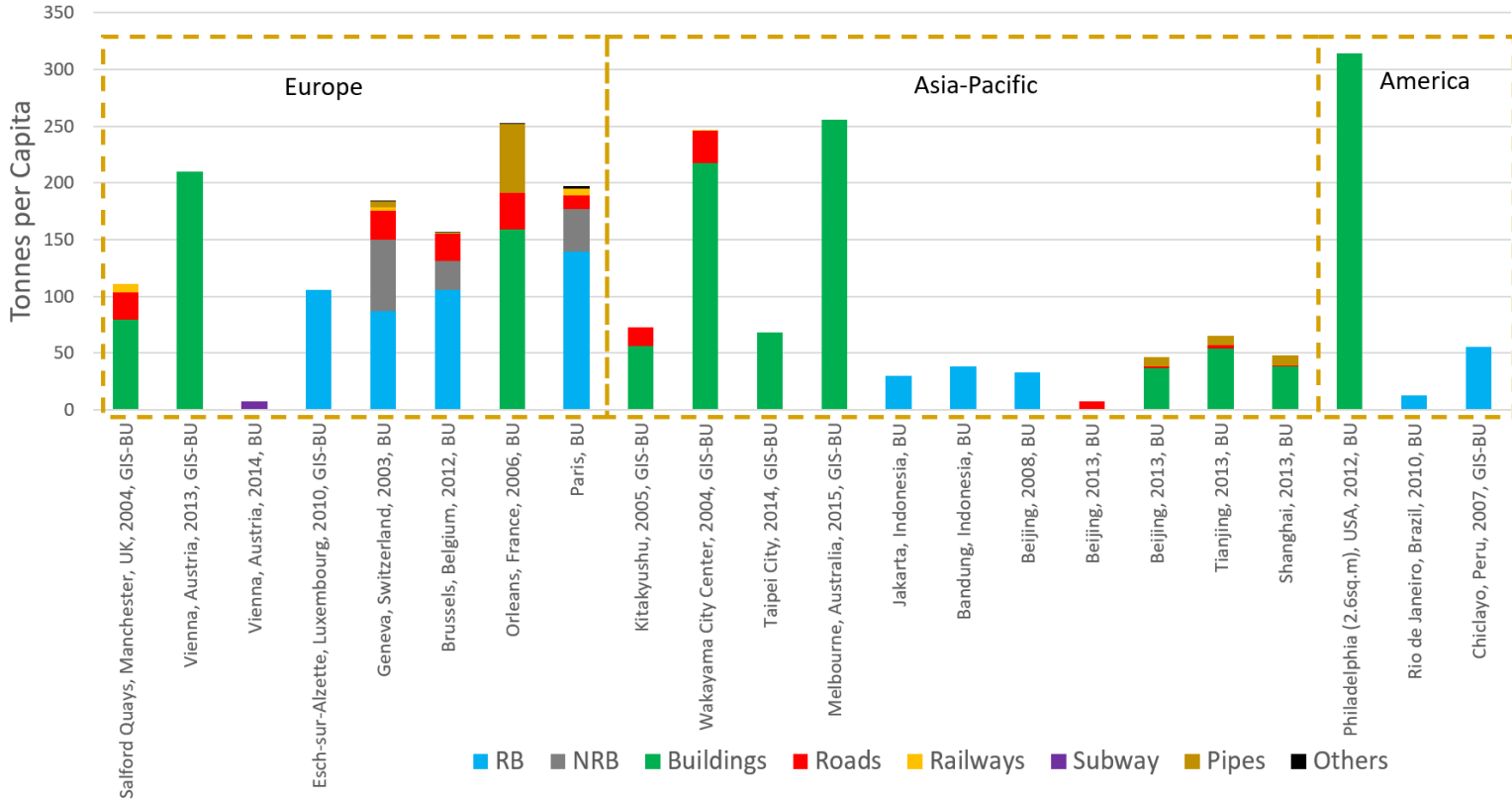
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Material stocks for different countries



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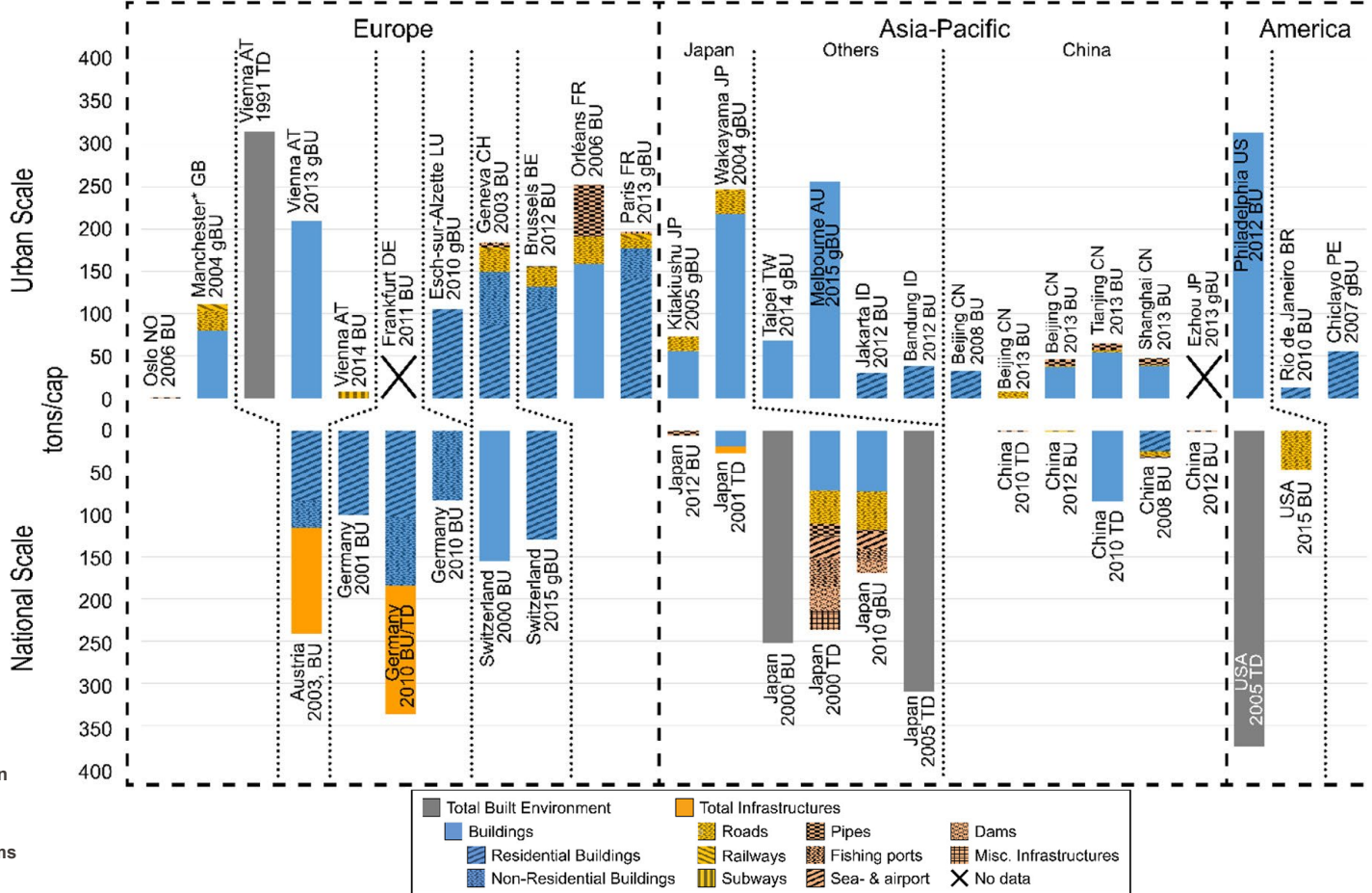
Material stocks for different cities



Adapted from Lanau et al. (2019) – Taking Stock of Built Environment Stock Studies: Progress and Prospects. *Environ. Sci. Technol.* 2019, 53, 15, 8499–8515. <https://doi.org/10.1021/acs.est.8b06652>

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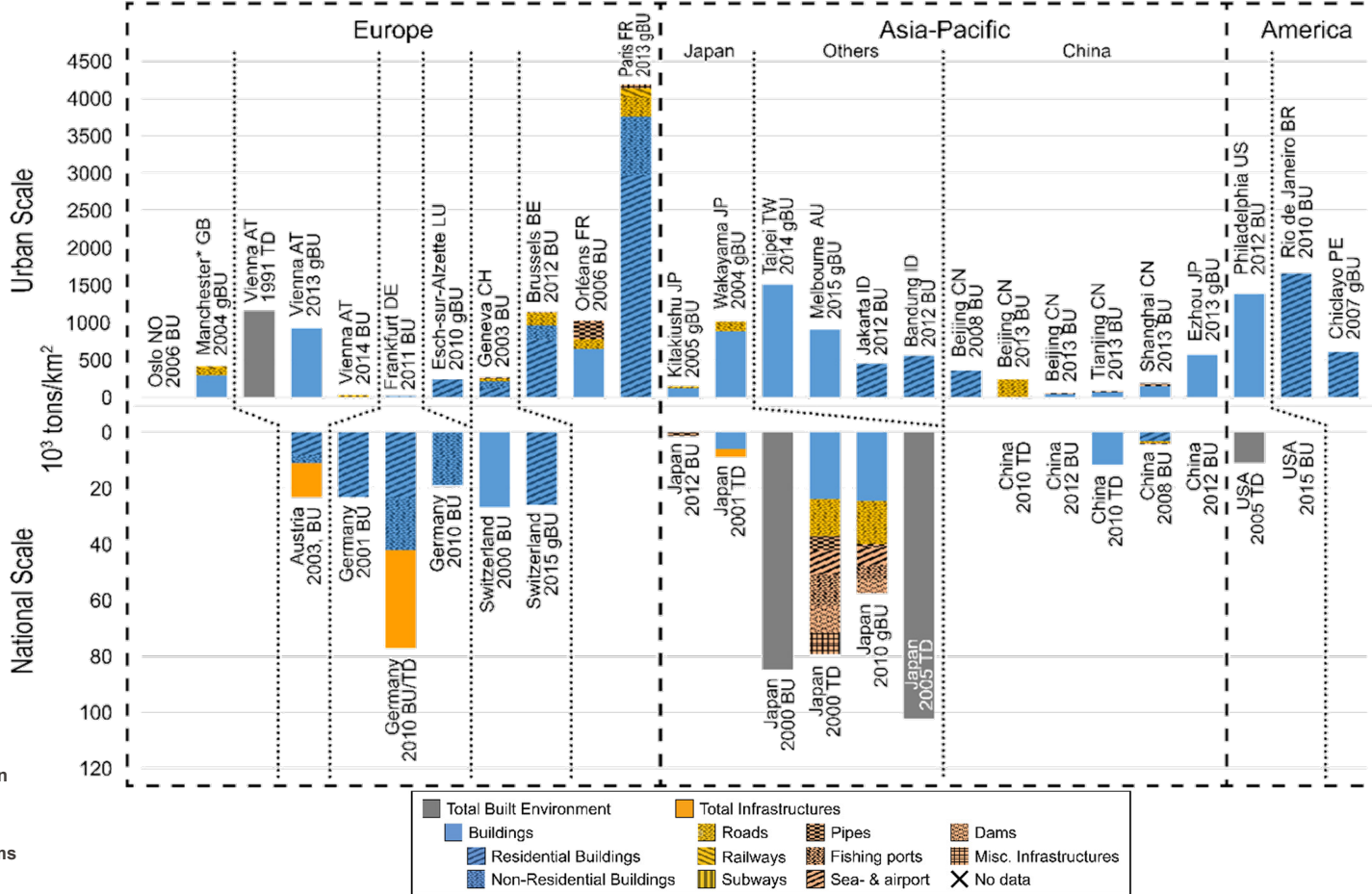
A. Material Stock per Capita



Source: Lanau et al. (2019)

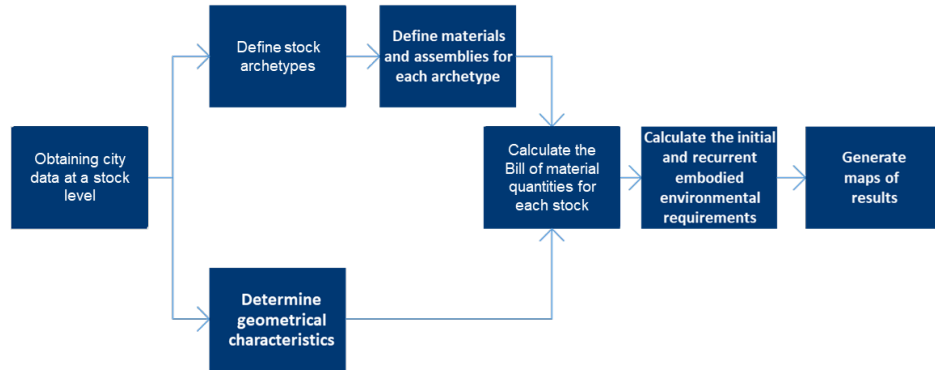
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B. Material Stock per square kilometer



Source: Lanau et al. (2019)

Where to find data?



- **For building geometry (footprints):** national/local building cadaster, OpenStreetMap, etc.
- **For defining building archetypes:** architects, urban historians, urban development books, previous classifications, etc.
- **For material composition of buildings:** same as above + architectural plans (either archives or digital), BIM models, demolition quantities, visual identification, etc.
- **For embodied environmental requirements of materials:** LCA, EPiC database, Environmental Product Declaration database, etc.

Where to find data?

My data is in length of roads (km) that exist in the city. How do I convert it in mass?

A: By applying Material Intensities (per unit of measure)

Here are different type of roads in the US and their mass per km

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.resconrec.2017.08.024>

Type of road	Rammed earth (t/km)	Gravel (t/km)	Sand (t/km)	Cement (t/km)	Bitumen (t/km)	Total (t/km)
Unsurfaced pavement	32	0	0	0	0	32
Unpaved pavement	0	231	0	0	0	231
Low type pavement	0	444	0	0	4	447
Intermediate pavement	0	1722	0	0	11	1732
High flexible pavement	0	4607	0	0	27	4634
High composite pavement	0	3260	1728	522	19	5528
High rigid pavement	0	2862	1958	592	0	5412

Where to find data?

My data is in number of buildings that exist in the city.

How do I convert it in mass?

A: By applying Material Intensities (per unit of measure)

For the conversion, you can use tables such as these, where there is a measure of t/m².

For Melbourne, here are some other figures from this article:

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0360132316304747>

	Apartment	Hospital	House	Office	Parking	Retail	Warehouse
	kg/m ²	kg/m ²	kg/m ²	kg/m ²	kg/m ²	kg/m ²	kg/m ²
Concrete	1 526,4	1 723,1	360,2	1 545,0	1 332,2	1 785,1	383,9
Steel	52,8	49,2	16,3	45,0	33,6	48,6	44,9
Timber	16,0	17,0	79,8	5,6	0,3	12,5	5,6
Glass	16,0	17,0	79,8	5,6	0,3	12,5	5,6
Carpet	1,4	0,0	0,3	2,1	0,0	0,0	0,2
Insulation	0,2	0,1	1,3	0,2	0,0	0,1	0,2
Ceramics	114,4	59,8	195,6	35,8	2,8	95,3	78,0
Plastics	1,0	1,9	1,3	0,4	0,2	0,6	0,9
Aluminium	6,4	21,0	32,1	8,5	0,4	11,7	0,6
Others	0,6	0,6	0,4	0,8	0,1	0,7	0,3
TOTAL	1 526,4	1 723,1	360,2	1 545,0	1 332,2	1 785,1	383,9

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For the Dutch building stock:

<https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1111/jiec.13143>

	Concrete	Clay brick	B-wood	Roof gravel	Aluminium	Steel	Glass	Ceramic	Gypsum	Bitumen	Plastic	Cast iron	Glass wool	Copper
Residential - Row House	353,2	124,1	69,27	0,00	6,05	14,8	0,00	21,29	10,26	0,00	7,65	4,90	0,00	0,00
Utility - Commercial	634,4	148,5	50,2	0,0	8,8	56,5	3,3	4,4	28,4	7,1	27,8	1,5	0,4	0,1
Residential - High rise	699,5	245,8	61,1	0,0	6,1	26,9	0,0	5,2	6,7	0,0	5,1	4,9	0,0	0,0
Utility - Other	625,6	317,1	37,0	98,9	8,8	56,2	10,5	23,0	22,1	7,1	24,0	1,5	0,4	0,1
Utility - Offices	676,6	363,7	24,3	51,7	8,8	58,0	15,3	4,4	9,0	7,1	23,1	1,5	6,9	0,1
Residential - Apartment	883,1	310,3	49,1	0,0	6,1	33,3	0,0	5,2	11,0	0,0	0,0	4,9	0,0	0,0
Residential - Single house	974,1	635,3	246,7	0,0	6,1	36,5	0,0	5,2	0,0	0,0	0,0	4,9	0,0	0,0

**Thank you for your
attention!**

