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Eating, Drinking, & Exercising in a Warming World - Food Footprint

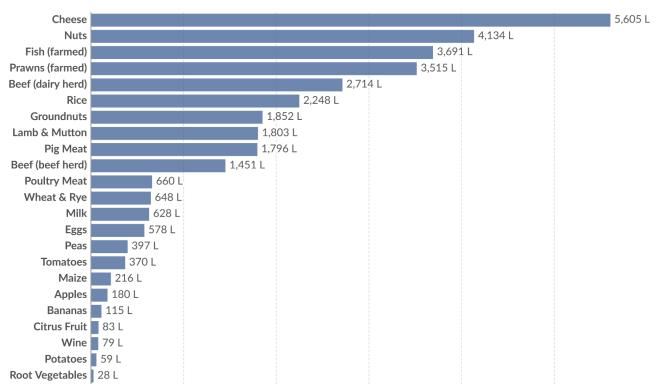
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Freshwater withdrawals per kg of food product¹

Freshwater withdrawals per kilogram of food product

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Freshwater withdrawals are measured in liters per kilogram of food product.



Data source: Joseph Poore and Thomas Nemecek (2018).

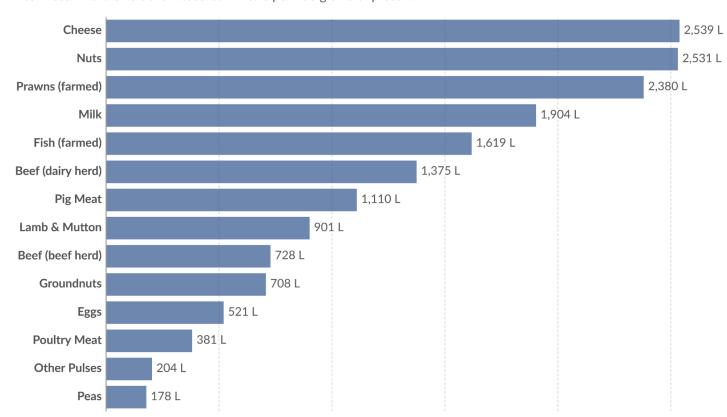
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Freshwater withdrawals per 100g of protein²

Freshwater withdrawals per 100 grams of protein

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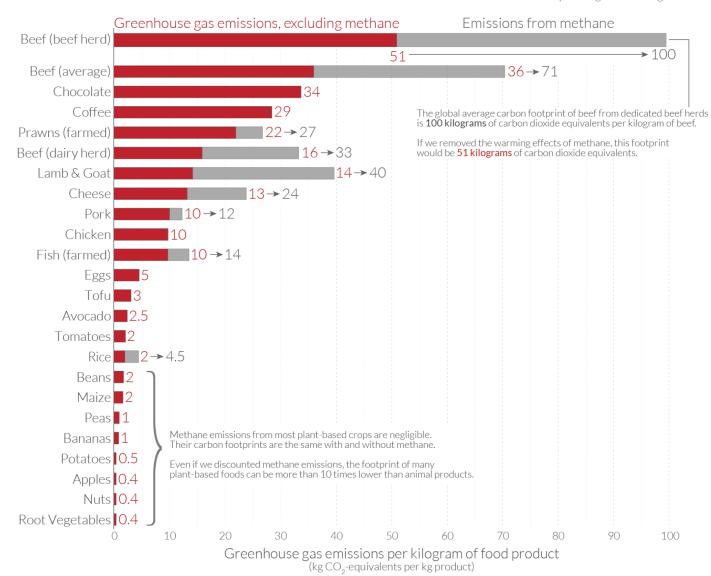
Greenhouse gas emissions from food³

Greenhouse gas emissions from food, short vs. long-lived gases



Greenhouse gas emissions are measured in carbon dioxide-equivalents (CO₂eq) based on their 100-year global warming notential (GWP)

Global mean emissions for each food are shown with and without the inclusion of methane – a short-lived but potent greenhouse gas.



Note: Greenhouse gas emissions are given as global average values based on data across 38,700 commercially viable farms in 119 countries.

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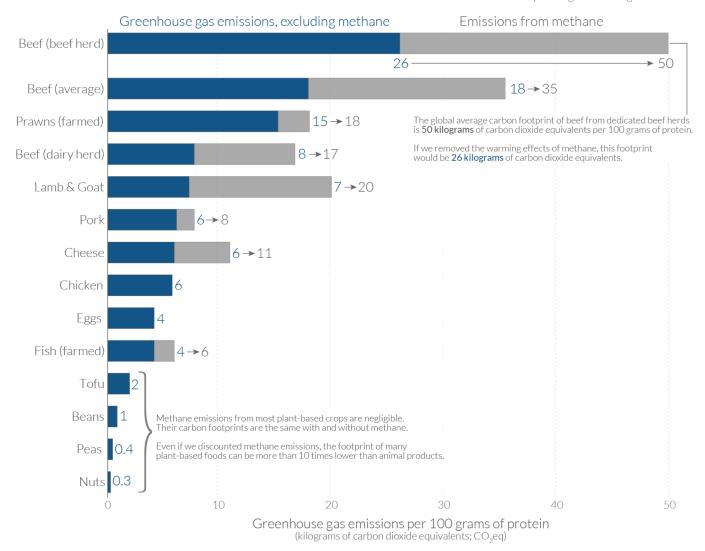
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Greenhouse gas emissions from protein³

Greenhouse gas emissions from protein-rich foods, short vs. long-lived greenhouse gases Greenhouse gas emissions are measured in carbon dioxide-equivalents (CO₂eq) based on their 100-year global warming potential (GWP).



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