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Key data for the 27 European Member States:

- Increase in EU biofuel consumption: +3% from 2010 to 2011 (+10.7% from 2009 to 2010)
- Total EU biofuel consumption: 13.6 Mtoe (13.2 Mtoe in 2010)
- Biodiesel share in European biofuel consumption: 78%

EurObserv'ER biofuels barometer available: the growth in biofuel consumption slowed down in 2011

A more sustainable growth over the long term

The European Union governments no longer view the rapid increase in biofuel consumption as a priority. Between 2010 and 2011 biofuel consumption increased by 3%, which translates into 13.6 million tonnes of oil equivalent (toe) used in 2011 compared to 13.2 million toe in 2010. The European Union's attention has shifted to setting up sustainability systems to verify that the biofuel used in the various countries complies with the Renewable Energy Directive's sustainability criteria.

Growth of biofuel consumption in transport was only 3.0 % between 2010 and 2011, down from 10.7% between 2009 and 2010, 24.6% between 2008 and 2009 and 41.7% between 2007 and 2008.

Besides the 2011 realisations per EU Member State other subjects that are discussed in the new barometer are:

- Sustainability of biofuels
- Selected country reviews
- Renewable energy policies

- Industry overview
- Comparison with National Renewable Energy Action Plans

For additional information on renewable energy issues (data referring to 2010, among others EU Member State renewable energy employment, turnover and realisations) see also the annual EurObserv'ER publication '*The State of Renewable Energies in Europe*', 2011 edition: <http://www.eurobserv-er.org/pdf/bilan11.asp> (January 2012, PDF, English/French language, 248 pages, 12.7 MB).

Note: the interactive database on the website (click on 'Interactive EurObserv'ER Database' on the www.eurobserv-er.org homepage) allows you to download the Barometer data separately. This will allow you to create your own graphs to be used in your publication.

See also the EurObserv'ER policy files at www.eurobserv-er.org/policy.asp for an overview of renewable energy policies in all 27 EU Member States for all technologies

About the EurObserv'ER Barometer

The EurObserv'ER Barometer regularly publishes indicators reflecting the current dynamics in renewable energies (solar, wind, hydropower, geothermal and biomass, biogas, biofuels) worldwide and within the European Union.

Barometers published are all available for download. Direct links to all 2012/2011/2010 EurObserv'ER publications:

Biofuels Barometer

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Solar Thermal Barometer

(June 2012, PDF, 24 pages, English/French language, 3.7 MB):

<http://www.eurobserv-er.org/pdf/baro209.asp>

Solar Photovoltaic Barometer

(April 2012, PDF, 24 pages, English/French language, 4.3 MB):

<http://www.eurobserv-er.org/pdf/baro208.asp>

Wind Power Barometer

<http://www.eurobserv-er.org/pdf/baro207.asp>

(February 2012, PDF, English/French, 28 pages, 4.6 MB):

'*The State of Renewable Energies in Europe*', 2011 edition:

<http://www.eurobserv-er.org/pdf/bilan11.asp>

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Barometer on Solid Biomass

<http://www.eurobserv-er.org/pdf/baro206.asp>

(November 2011, PDF, English/French language, 20 pages, 3.6 MB)

Ground source Heat Pump Barometer

(September 2011, PDF, English/French language, 20 pages, 2.6 MB)

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Renewable Municipal Waste Barometer

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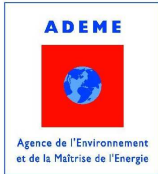
<http://www.eurobserv-er.org/pdf/baro200a.asp>

Biogas Barometer

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