



## ENVIRONMENTAL PRODUCT DECLARATION

# PESTO AL BASILICO 100% VEGETALE



The first EPD process  
certified in the Food  
industries

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S-P-01151

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23995 Sauces  
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### PROGRAMME

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### PROGRAMME OPERATOR

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# 1. BRAND AND PRODUCT

## THE BRAND BARILLA



The Barilla brand has its roots in a small bread and pasta store opened in Parma in 1877.

Today it is the number one pasta in Italy and around the world. Thanks to the best durum wheat and impressive modern technologies, Barilla supplies millions around the world with pasta that always cooks to a perfect al dente texture, as well as ready-to-eat pasta sauces.

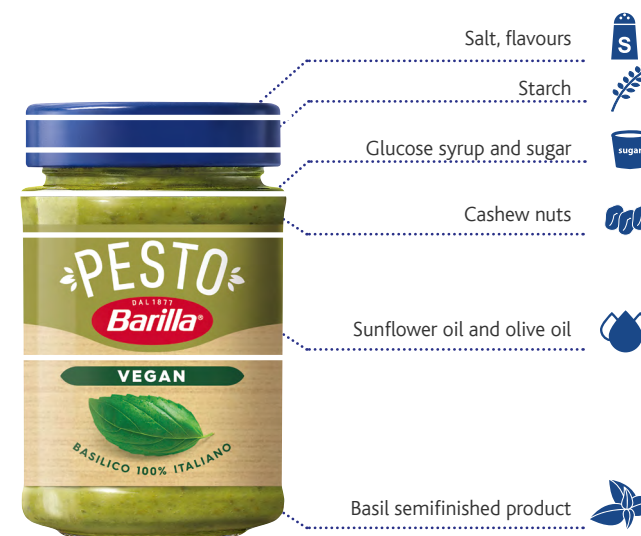
Further information on **Barilla** website.

## THE PLANT AND THE PROCESS

Pesto sauces are produced in an owned plant located in Rubbiano (Italy), where the preparation is very close to what people would do at home. Pesto al Basilico 100% vegetale is made only from vegetable raw materials, without garlic and cheese. It undergoes a heat treatment to pasteurize the product while preserving flavour and taste as much as possible over time, allowing us to avoid using any preservatives.

The product is sold in package of 195 grams jar and can be poured directly cold on the cooked pasta; for an even more creamy consistency a little amount of cooking water can be added.

## THE PRODUCT



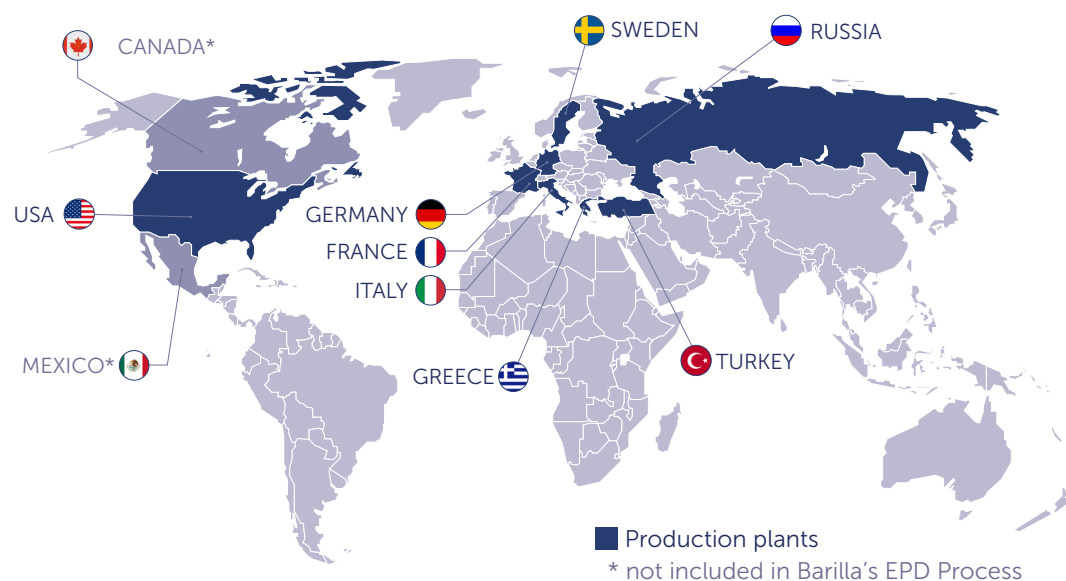
NUTRITIONAL INFORMATION (per 100 g)		
Energy	kJ	1 761
	kcal	426
Fats <i>of which saturated</i>	grams	40 3.5
Carbohydrates <i>of which sugars</i>	grams	13.3 3.3
Fibres	grams	1.6
Proteins	grams	2.5
Salt	grams	3.00

## 2. BARILLA GROUP

It is thanks to a path characterised by passion, quality, and attention to people's needs that a small bread and pasta shop, that opened in Parma in 1877, over time became the "Barilla" we know today: a world leader in the market for pasta, ready-made sauces, baked goods, and crispbread.

Barilla is present in over 100 countries with its brands and 30 production sites, which, every year, together produce more than 2,134,000 tonnes of products.

In different ways, on different markets, all of our brands have a common objective: to bring joy and conviviality around everyone's table.



### Our Purpose: The joy of food for a better life

*In order to make a concrete contribution to global challenges, Barilla has renewed its commitment to society and the planet with a new Purpose containing the "why" of our way of doing business: "The joy of food for a better life".*

*"Bringing people closer to the joy of good food and making quality the choice for a better life, from each individual to the planet. Because this is how we are nurturing the future, today."*

*It's a commitment from field to fork, to bring to the world tasty, joyful and wholesome products, made with selected raw materials from responsible supply chains. Because what we eat today can change our tomorrow. Because good food is a joy for the present and a choice for a better future.*



## 3. ENVIRONMENTAL PERFORMANCE CALCULATION



The environmental performance of the product was calculated using the **LCA (life cycle analysis)** methodology, including the entire production chain, beginning with growing the vegetables up until delivery of the finished product to the shelf.

The study was conducted following the specific product rules (PCR) published by the EPD system: “CPC code 23995 – Sauce”. The generic data contributes to the calculation of environmental impacts is lower than 10%.

### DECLARED UNIT

Data are referred to **1 kg** of product plus the related packaging (the packaging is referred to the **195 g** formats, reported to 1 kg of product).

### SYSTEM BOUNDARIES

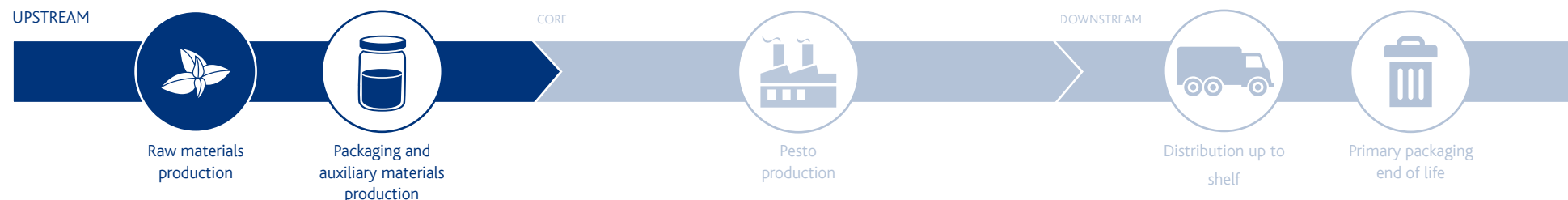
The processes constituting the analysed system were organized in upstream, core and downstream processes, in compliance with the requisites of the EPD system.

### GEOGRAPHICAL SCOPE

The geographical scope of this EPD is Europe and it corresponds to the distribution area of the product.



## 4. RAW MATERIALS PRODUCTION

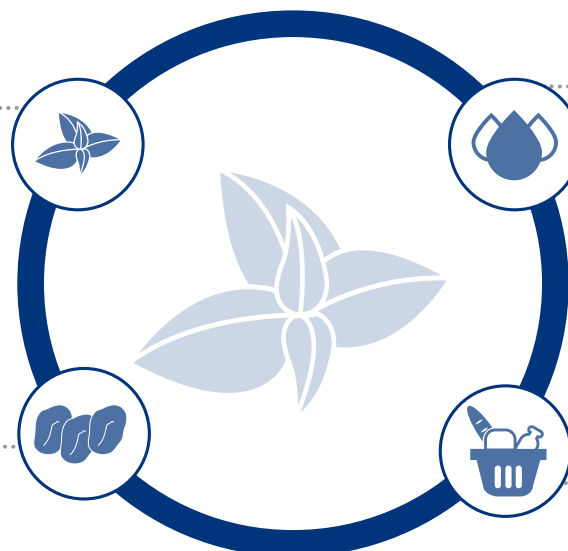


### BASIL and BASIL SEMI-FINISHED PRODUCT

Impacts related to the basil cultivation and basil semi-finished product have been calculated on the basis of primary data collected from farmers. Information are related to 2020 crop.

### CASHEW NUTS

Impacts related to cashew nuts come from Ecoinvent database.



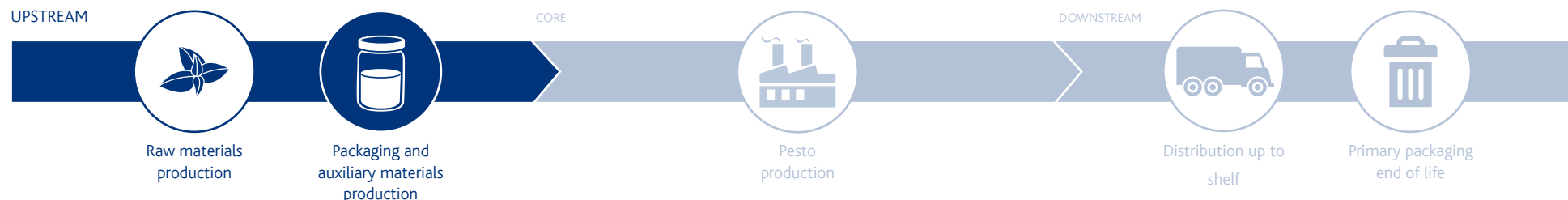
### VEGETABLE OILS

Data for vegetable oil production come from secondary data (from Agrifootprint database and World Food LCA database), except Extra-Virgin olive oil production, whose data come from Monini Classico EPD S-P-00384.

### OTHER INGREDIENTS

Data related to the sugar come from Barilla suppliers; data related to other raw materials have been collected by LCA database (mainly Ecoinvent).

## 5. PACKAGING AND AUXILIARY MATERIALS PRODUCTION



### PACKAGING PRODUCTION

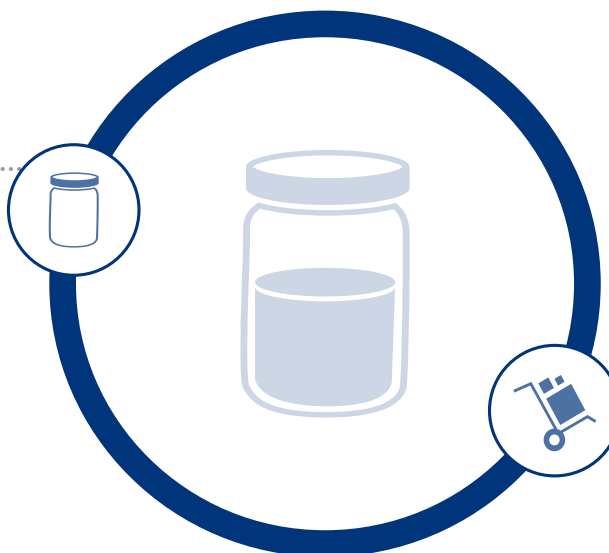
#### PRIMARY PACKAGING

Packaging environmental performances are calculated using the 195g format (only format for this product) and are reported per packaging used for 1 kg of product.

The primary packaging consists in glass jar with screw top.

Primary data (from packaging unit, referred to current year 2022) are used for packaging amount and packaging materials production; data about packaging production process come from Barilla LCA database.

Auxiliary materials environmental performances are evaluated by using primary data from plant, during 2021 year. Secondary data (Ecoinvent) are used for environmental aspects associated to materials production.



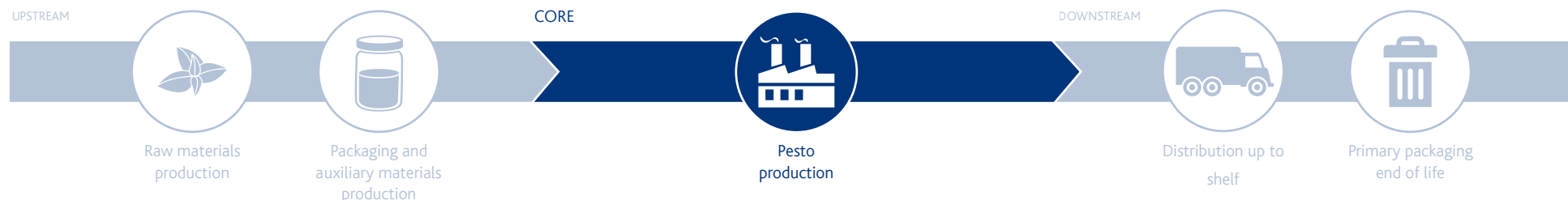
Since 2004, Barilla designs new packaging with the "LCA packaging design tool". It allows the assessment of the environmental impacts of the packaging solutions already during the design phase.

#### PACKAGING FOR TRANSPORTATION

The packaging for transport consists in cardboard boxes (american box or tray), used for the distribution of the product, and a plastic extensible film. Boxes and trays are made mainly by recycled cardboard carton (pre and post consumer). Data used have been collected from LCA databases (mainly Ecoinvent).



## 6. PESTO PRODUCTION



### GENERAL INFORMATION

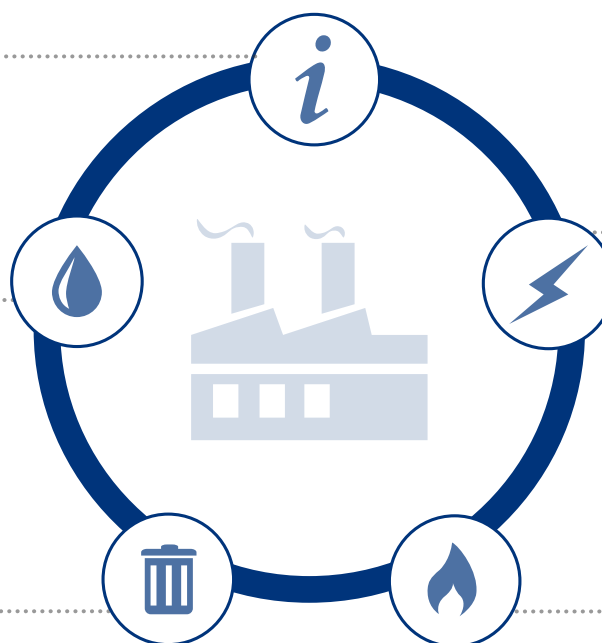
The environmental performance related to production processes is evaluated by considering the energy and the water consumption and the waste production as primary data. Secondary data (mainly Ecoinvent) are used for the environmental aspects related to the production of energy and water.

### WATER

Water consumption is evaluated using primary data. The overall value is attributed to the product using the mass allocation procedure. Plant water consumption includes also the water amount needed for ingredients preparation: this amount is included both in plant consumption and product recipe following a precautionary approach. Data refer to sauce production in 2021.

### WASTE

The primary data are collected by the plant registrations. The overall value is attributed to the product using the mass allocation procedure. Data refer to sauce production in 2021.



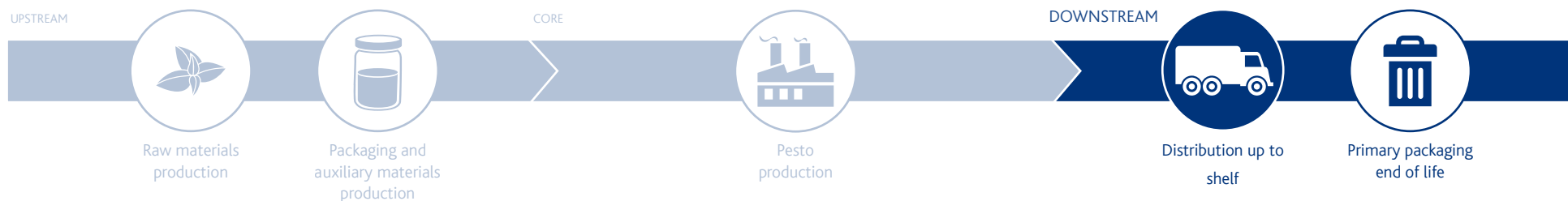
### ELECTRICITY

Total plant electricity consumption has been divided using the mass allocation procedure, as the plant produces a number of different sauces. Barilla, through the GO certification system (Guaranty of origin market), buys energy from hydroelectric renewable resources as to cover the entire Rubbiano sauce production. Data are referred to 2021.

### NATURAL GAS

Natural gas consumption is evaluated using primary data. The overall value is attributed to the product using the mass allocation procedure. Data refer to sauce production in 2021.

## 7. DISTRIBUTION



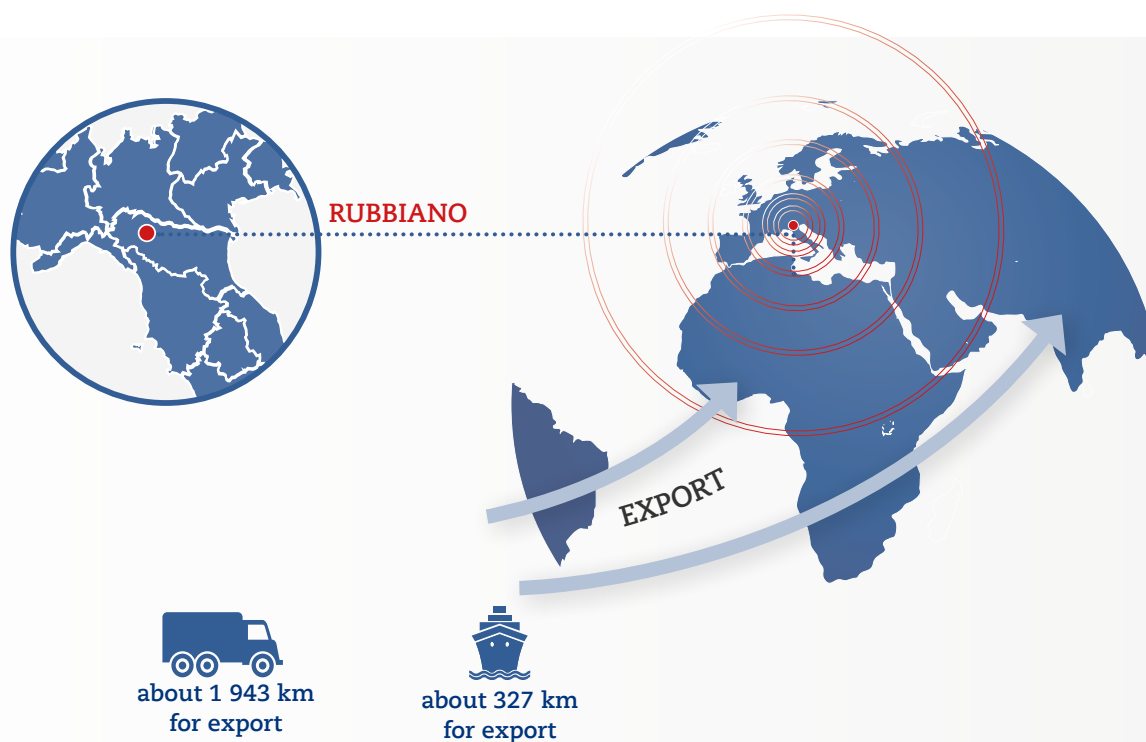
### DISTRIBUTION

Pesto al basilico 100% vegetale is produced in Barilla's Rubbiano plant, Italy.

Distribution performance were calculated considering that the product is exported all over Europe, mainly in Germany, France and Austria.

The product does not require special storage conditions (refrigeration, etc).

The impacts related to the disposal of the packaging for transport have been calculated considering an average scenario for Germany, France and Austria for paper/board (87% recycling, 12% energy recovery, 1% disposal) and plastic film (44% recycling, 52% energy recovery, 4% disposal).













## 8. PRIMARY PACKAGING END OF LIFE



Waste scenarios for Austria, France and Germany are reported since these country cover the main part of distribution for all products (more than 75% of total distribution).  
Data elaborated from Eurostat, year 2018.

## 9. ENVIRONMENTAL RESULTS

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 <b>USE OF RESOURCES</b> data referred to 1 kg of product		UPSTREAM		CORE	DOWNSTREAM		TOTAL
		 Raw material production	 Packaging and auxiliary materials production	 Production	 Distribution up to shelf	 Primary packaging end of life	
PRIMARY ENERGY RESOURCES - RENEWABLE data in MJ	Used as energy carrier	5.23E+00	1.94E+00	1.04E+00	1.09E-02	2.37E-04	8.22E+00
	Used as raw materials*	0.00E+00	1.52E-01	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	1.52E-01
	<b>Total</b>	<b>5.23E+00</b>	<b>2.09E+00</b>	<b>1.04E+00</b>	<b>1.09E-02</b>	<b>2.37E-04</b>	<b>8.37E+00</b>
PRIMARY ENERGY RESOURCES - NON RENEWABLE data in MJ	Used as energy carrier	1.57E+01	1.50E+01	5.09E+00	6.93E+00	6.31E-03	4.28E+01
	Used as raw materials	0.00E+00	2.62E-01	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	2.62E-01
	<b>Total</b>	<b>1.57E+01</b>	<b>1.53E+01</b>	<b>5.09E+00</b>	<b>6.93E+00</b>	<b>6.31E-03</b>	<b>4.30E+01</b>
Secondary Material (g)		0.00E+00	2.77E+02	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	2.77E+02
Renewable secondary fuels (MJ. net calorific power)		0.00E+00	9.41E-03	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	9.41E-03
Non-renewable secondary fuels (MJ. net calorific power)		0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
Net use of fresh water (liters)		3.16E+02	2.39E+01	6.38E+00	1.43E-01	6.72E-04	3.46E+02
 <b>OUTPUT FLOWS</b> data referred to 1 kg of product		UPSTREAM		CORE	DOWNSTREAM		TOTAL
		 Raw material production	 Packaging and auxiliary materials production	 Production	 Distribution up to shelf	 Primary packaging end of life	
Waste to animal feed or similar (g)		0.00E+00	0.00E+00	3.60E+01	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	3.60E+01
Components for reuse (g)		0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
Materials for recycling (g)		1.14E+01	1.04E+02	1.26E+02	1.69E+01	6.82E+02	9.41E+02
Materials for energy recovery (g)		0.00E+00	0.00E+00	1.00E+00	5.20E+00	5.53E+00	1.17E+01
Exported energy, electricity (MJ)		0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	3.30E-05	1.10E-05	4.40E-05
Exported energy, thermal (MJ)		0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	6.90E-05	2.30E-05	9.20E-05

Secondary energy resources and recovered energy flows do not show relevant contributions.

\*The biomasses transformed into the product are not considered.

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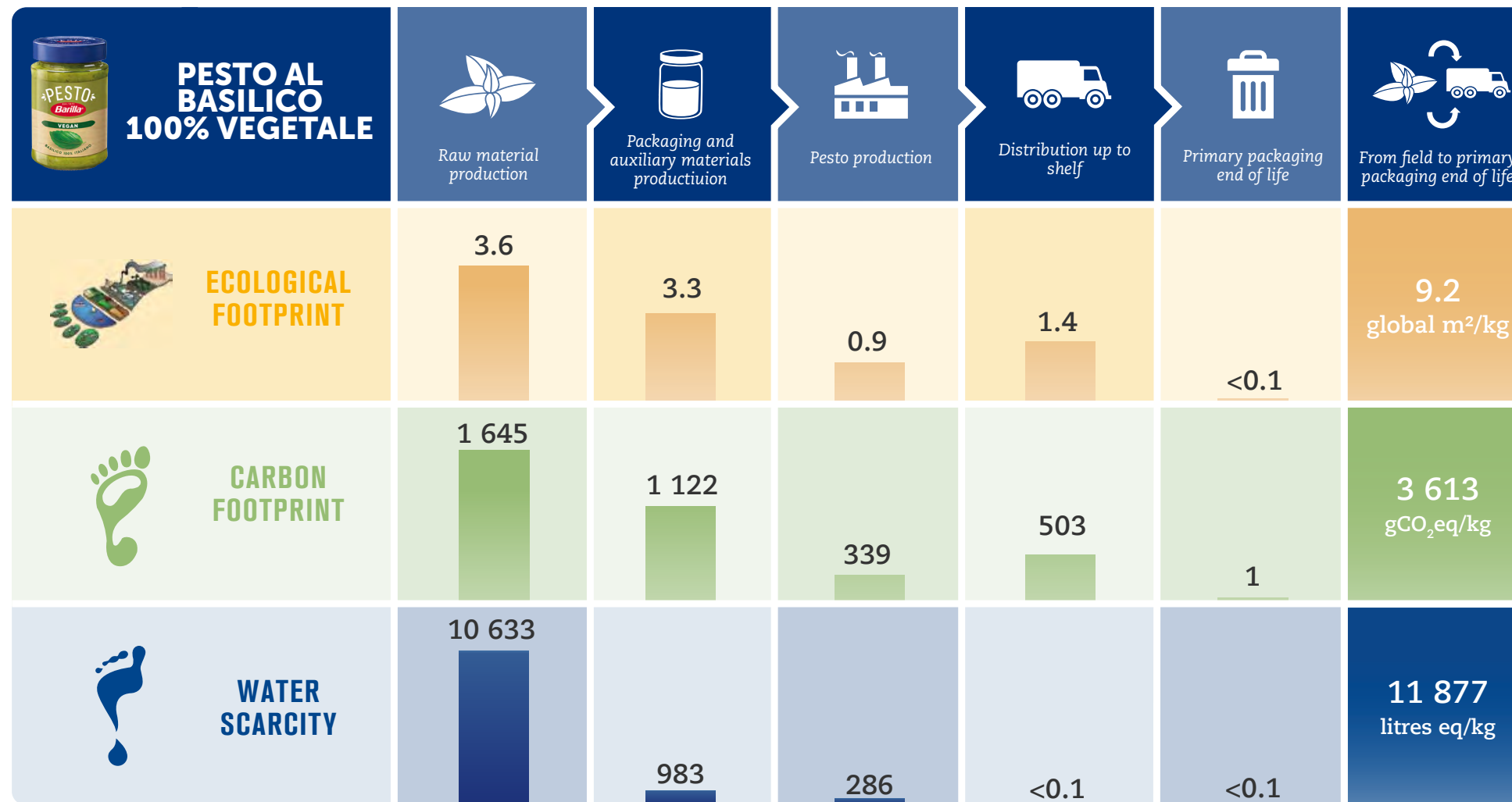
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 <b>POTENTIAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS</b> data referred to 1 kg of product		UPSTREAM		CORE	DOWNSTREAM		TOTAL
		 Raw material production	 Packaging and auxiliary materials production	 Production	 Distribution up to shelf	 Primary packaging end of life	
GLOBAL WARMING POTENTIAL - GWP (g CO <sub>2</sub> eq)	Fossil	1.47E+03	1.10E+03	3.35E+02	5.02E+02	6.87E-01	3.40E+03
	Biogenic	4.79E+01	5.82E+00	4.83E+00	1.96E-01	1.33E-01	5.89E+01
	Land use and land transformation	1.32E+02	1.68E+01	3.73E-03	4.28E-03	1.33E-04	1.48E+02
	<b>Total</b>	<b>1.65E+03</b>	<b>1.12E+03</b>	<b>3.39E+02</b>	<b>5.03E+02</b>	<b>8.20E-01</b>	<b>3.61E+03</b>
Acidification Potential - g SO <sub>2</sub> eq.		2.44E+01	6.42E+00	1.03E+00	1.64E+00	4.27E-03	3.35E+01
Eutrophication Potential - g PO <sub>4</sub> <sup>3-</sup> eq.		1.29E+01	1.01E+00	1.56E-01	2.05E-01	7.75E-04	1.43E+01
Photochemical Oxidant Formation Potential - g NMVOC eq.		7.15E+00	3.63E+00	1.14E+00	1.60E+00	4.95E-03	1.35E+01
Abiotic Depletion Potential - Elements g Sb eq.		3.00E-03	3.60E-02	7.82E-06	2.17E-05	4.49E-08	3.90E-02
Abiotic Depletion Potential - Fossil fuels - MJ, net calorific value		1.48E+01	1.47E+01	5.07E+00	6.91E+00	6.16E-03	4.15E+01
Water scarcity potential, m3 eq.		1.06E+01	9.60E-01	2.86E-01	-1.12E-03	1.27E-05	1.19E+01
 <b>WASTE PRODUCTION*</b> data referred to 1 kg of product		UPSTREAM		CORE	DOWNSTREAM		TOTAL
		 Raw material production	 Packaging and auxiliary materials production	 Production	 Distribution up to shelf	 Primary packaging end of life	
Hazardous waste disposed		9.32E-04	2.86E-02	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	3.0E-02
Non-Hazardous waste disposed		8.87E+00	2.34E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	1.1E+01
Radioactive waste disposed		6.61E-05	3.61E-05	4.22E-06	3.16E-06	4.01E-08	1.1E-04

The biogenic contribution to Global Warming Potential refers only to biogenic methane.  
The contribution given by biogenic CO<sub>2</sub> is equal to zero, since the absorbed amount is equal to the emitted biogenic CO<sub>2</sub> within the reference 100 years period.

\* Only flows coming from processes under direct Barilla control were considered, if not associated to a treatment whose environmental impact is considered. Flows generated by secondary data were excluded (since already accounted for their environmental burden).

## 10. PRODUCT ENVIRONMENTAL PERFORMANCE



Compared to the last EPD, in this section the Water Scarcity indicator has substituted the Virtual Water Content, previously reported, to improve coherence with the indicators section.

## 11. DIFFERENCES VERSUS PREVIOUS VERSIONS OF EPD

The differences versus previous EPD versions are due mainly to the use of updated emission factors for the energy mixes, updated packaging formats and updated recipes of the product. For raw material production, primary data for basil and secondary data for other raw materials (from updated version of LCA databases) were updated.

Moreover, the product Environmental performances section has been modified with the substitution of Virtual Water Content with Water Scarcity indicator.

## 12. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

### REFERENCES

- International EPD Consortium, General Programme Instructions (EPD), ver. 3.01 of 18/09/2019;
- WWF, Global Footprint Network, Zoological Society of London, Living Planet Report 2008, WWF (2008);
- PCR 2010:19 CPC 23995: Sauces; ver. 3.12 of 01/09/2019;
- CONAI Report, relazione sulla gestione e Bilancio, 2020
- Eurostat database for waste management, latest version (2018)



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## EPD PROCESS CERTIFICATION

Independent verification of the declaration and data, according to ISO 14025:

- ☒ EPD process verification  
☐ EPD verification- Third party verifier

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Procedure for follow-up of data during EPD validity involves third part verifier:

- ☒ Yes  
☐ No

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## 13. GLOSSARY

### ECOLOGICAL FOOTPRINT

The ecological footprint measures the area of biologically productive land and water required to provide the resources used and absorb the carbon dioxide waste generated along the entire life cycle. It is measured in standard units called global hectares (gha).

[www.globalfootprint.org](http://www.globalfootprint.org)

### CARBON FOOTPRINT

A product carbon footprint is the total amount of greenhouse gases produced along the entire life cycle. It is expressed in equivalent mass of carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>-eq). In agriculture a significant contribution is given by the emission of nitrous oxide (N<sub>2</sub>O) due to the fertilizers use. It is also known as Global Warming Potential (GWP).

[www.ipcc.ch](http://www.ipcc.ch)

### WATER SCARCITY

Water scarcity measures the available water remaining per unit of surface in a given watershed relative to the world average, after human and aquatic ecosystem demands have been met. This method builds on the assumption that the potential to deprive another user of water is directly proportional to the amount of water consumed and inversely proportional to the available water remaining per unit of surface and time in a region (watershed).

[www.wulca-waterlca.org](http://www.wulca-waterlca.org)

### ACIDIFICATION (AP )

It is a phenomenon for which precipitation is unusually acidic, meaning that it has substandard levels of pH. It can have harmful effects on plants, aquatic animals and infrastructure. Acid rain is caused by emissions of SO<sub>2</sub>, NO<sub>x</sub> and NH<sub>3</sub>. The acidification potential is measured in mass of sulphur dioxide equivalent (SO<sub>2</sub>-eq).

### EUTROPHICATION (EP )

It is an abnormal proliferation of vegetation in the aquatic ecosystems caused by the addition of nutrients into rivers, lakes or ocean, which determines a lack of oxygen. The eutrophication potential is mainly influenced by emission into water of phosphates and nitrates. It is expressed in mass of PO<sub>4</sub><sup>3-</sup>-equivalent.

### PHOTOCHEMICAL OXIDANT FORMATION POTENTIAL (POFP)

Production of compounds that, under the light effect, are able to promote an oxidation reaction leading to ozone production in the troposphere.

The indicator is mainly influenced by VOCs (Volatile organic compounds) is usually expressed in mass of VOCs equivalent (g NMVOC - equivalent).