



# Sustainable Solutions

CME Group offers market-based solutions that help clients manage climate-related risks and respond to evolving sustainability considerations. Our suite of environmental products, which we continually update to align with industry needs and third party-standards, enables market participants to access transparent pricing and risk management tools in sustainability-linked markets.

Across our global operations, we implement environmentally responsible practices where feasible, monitor key environmental metrics and assess climate-related risks through our Enterprise Risk Management (ERM) Program. These efforts reflect our commitment to providing practical solutions that meet client needs while operating efficiently and responsibly.

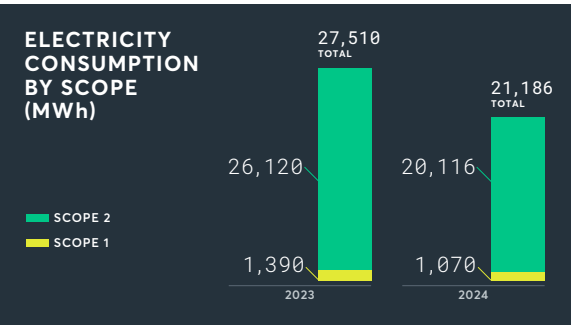
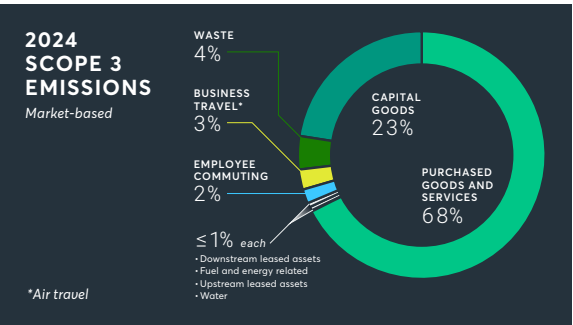
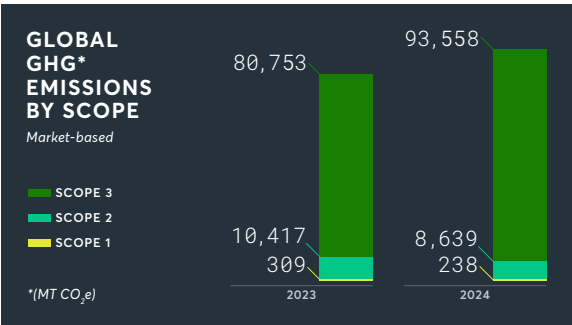
## Sustainable Operations

We continue to monitor and manage our environmental footprint across owned and leased spaces, with a focus on energy use and emissions tracking. We collect and analyze greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions data across Scope 1, 2 and 3 categories to inform reporting and support responsible operational practices. For our full year-over-year GHG Emissions Inventory, see the performance data table here.

Scope 1 includes natural gas and diesel.

Scope 2 includes purchased electricity.

Scope 3 emissions are the result of activities from assets CME Group does not own or control, but indirectly impact our value chain.



## Industry Partner Collaboration

CME Group participates in global industry initiatives that focus on developing market-based solutions to advance sustainable markets. As a founding member of the UN Sustainable Stock Exchanges (SSE) derivatives network and an active contributor to other cross-sector working groups, we engage with peers, standard setters and policymakers to align emerging best practices and help shape the future of sustainable finance.

In 2024, CME Group contributed to key industry dialogues, including participating in the SSE's Exchanges and Climate Innovation event at COP28 and the Société Générale Global Markets Conference. These forums help reinforce our alignment with global market leaders on climate disclosure, carbon markets and the role of financial infrastructure in supporting the net-zero transition.

### 2024 PARTICIPATION IN SUSTAINABILITY ORGANIZATIONS

- The World Federation of Exchanges' Sustainability Working Group
- U.N. Sustainable Stock Exchanges Initiative
- ISDA Sustainable Finance Steering Committee
- The International Regulatory Strategy Group's Sustainable Finance Regulation Committee

### SUSTAINABLE PRODUCTS SUITE

#### BATTERY AND RECYCLED METALS

Cobalt  
Lithium  
Scrap steel

#### BIOENERGY

Biodiesel  
Ethanol  
Used cooking oil (UCO)  
UCO methyl ester

#### ESG INDICES

S&P 500 ESG\*

#### RENEWABLE FEEDSTOCKS

Corn  
Oilseeds  
UCO

#### VOLUNTARY CARBON AND EMISSIONS OFFSET

Mandatory  
Nature-based  
Technology-based

#### WEATHER\*\*

Temperature-based  
index futures and options

\* 2024 marked the fifth anniversary of CME Group's S&P 500 ESG index futures, now the most liquid ESG equity index futures contracts globally.

\*\* To enable businesses to hedge the risk they face from atypical weather conditions – particularly as the onset of climate change precipitates extreme weather events – CME Group offers weather futures and options geared to average seasonal and monthly weather in 18 cities around the world – 13 in the U.S., four in Europe and one in Asia.

See more about our [sustainable products and solutions](#) >

### KEY 2024 SUSTAINABILITY METRICS

#### OFFICE SPACES

**77%** WITH LEED, BREEAM OR SIMILAR GREEN CREDENTIALS

**81%** WITH COMPOSTING PROGRAMS

In addition to ongoing recycling efforts across our locations

#### GREENHOUSE GAS (GHG) EMISSIONS

**17%** REDUCTION IN COMBINED SCOPES 1 AND 2 COMPARED TO 2023

**62%** REDUCTION IN COMBINED SCOPES 1 AND 2 COMPARED TO 2020

These reductions were achieved through the reduction/consolidation of offices and data centers as well as various energy efficiency efforts in those spaces.

### ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

- [Greenhouse Gas Emissions Summary](#)
- [2024 SASB Index Disclosure](#)
- [Sustainable Solutions Webpage](#)
- [Corporate Citizenship Webpage](#)

## About CME Group

As the world’s leading derivatives marketplace, CME Group ([www.cmegroup.com](http://www.cmegroup.com)) enables clients to trade futures, options, cash and OTC markets, optimize portfolios and analyze data – empowering market participants worldwide to efficiently manage risk and capture opportunities. CME Group exchanges offer the widest range of global benchmark products across all major asset classes based on interest rates, equity indexes, foreign exchange, energy, agricultural products and metals. The company offers futures and options on futures trading through the CME Globex® platform, fixed income trading via BrokerTec and foreign exchange trading on the EBS platform. In addition, it operates one of the world’s leading central counterparty clearing providers, CME Clearing.

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Unless otherwise noted, this report covers initiatives and performance metrics associated with our global operations from January 1 through December 31, 2024. Our past reports are available on our website.

All figures regarding contract volume are for CME Group’s listed futures and options on futures contracts unless otherwise noted. Total contract volume includes contracts that are traded on our exchange(s) and cleared through our clearing house and certain cleared-only contracts. Volume is measured in round turns, which is considered a completed transaction that involves a purchase and an offsetting sale of a contract.

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## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON EMISSIONS CALCULATION AND REPORTING

Improving the quality, timeliness and availability of data is a key component to properly measure emissions and monitor progress over time. There are well-known challenges with the quality and reliability of emissions data in many sectors. This means we sometimes rely on estimated versus directly measured emissions data. Over the years we have made a number of improvements to our reporting. The metrics provided in this report reflect our commitment to transparency and progress but are not suitable for immutable year-over-year comparisons at this time.

Calculations and reporting have been done in accordance with the GHG Protocol and also with U.K. SECR mandated reporting. Scope 1 GHG emissions are direct emissions from sources that are owned or controlled by the company. Scope 2 GHG emissions are indirect emissions from sources that are not owned or controlled by the company. Scope 1 and Scope 2 operational emissions were calculated using real whole building and prorated data within each building location. For locations where this information could not be obtained, a value per square foot of office space was used. Scope 3 GHG emissions are the result of activities from assets not owned or controlled by CME Group, but that CME Group indirectly impacts in its value chain. Assumptions for Scope 3 emissions are inherently more common than those for Scope 1 and Scope 2 emissions. Where actual activity-based data was available, it was used for Scope 3 emissions calculations. The majority of Scope 3 emissions were calculated using the GHG Protocol’s spend-based method.

Due to the limited amount of operational control, emissions related to third party subtenants who sublease from CME Group are either excluded from our emissions or considered to be within our Scope 3 Downstream Leased Asset emissions depending on the circumstances and industry best practices.

Emissions related to colocation customers in our largest data center located in Aurora, Illinois are particularly complicated. Because CME Group has limited operational control or influence over procurement of data center equipment in these spaces nor control over how the equipment is operated, emissions related to powering this equipment are reported as Scope 3 downstream emissions for CME Group. Our environmental disclosure initiatives will continue to evolve and new strategies will be developed and implemented and discussed in our future corporate citizenship reports.