

## The Carbon Footprint per Crime

While policymakers have long sought to quantify the social and economic costs of crime, in a first attempt for a police agency world-widely, Dubai Police takes a leap to quantify the environmental footprint of crime committed in Dubai.

The footprint calculations include direct and indirect energy consumption emissions resulting from criminal investigations, prison time served, and associated administration services required for police operations. The sum of the emissions (Scope 1 and Scope 2) is then compared against the total number of crimes recorded each year.

Between 2016 and 2019, emissions per crime has scored an estimated average of 5.76 tCO<sub>2</sub>e per crime in Dubai, which include all registered crimes with the exception of bounced cheques offences that are accounted in the electronic crimes avoided emissions calculations.



“Dubai Police finds it crucial to quantify and measure the footprint of crimes occurring in Dubai, as this allows the creation of procedures that not only reduce the number of crimes, but also the environmental impact associated with such activities.”

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