

Environmental Product Declaration

In accordance with ISO 14025 and EN 15804:2012+A2:2019 for:

Rapid-cement, CEM II/A-LL 52,5 N Lappeenranta



FINNSEMENTTI
A CRH COMPANY

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GENERAL INFORMATION

Programme information

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Product category rules (PCR):	PCR 2019:14 Construction Products – Version 1.1 c-PCR-001 Cement and building limes (EN 16908:2017)
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COMPANY INFORMATION

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Description of the organisation:

Finnsementti, A CRH company, is a Finnish manufacturer of cement. Harnessing our century-long experience, we produce consistently superior cement and create jobs within our industry. The majority of Finland's cement offering is produced at Finnsementti's plants in Parainen and Lappeenranta, in addition to which the company has eight terminals in Kirkkonummi, Koverhar, Mariehamn, Oulu, Jakobstad, Pori, Raahе and Vasa. In addition to cement, our offering includes various concrete additives, admixtures and special aggregates.

Product-related or management system-related certifications:

ISO 9001:2015, ISO 14001:2015

Name and location of production site(s):

Finnsementti Oy, Lappeenranta cement plant, Poikkitie 105, 535000 Lappeenranta, Finland

PRODUCT INFORMATION

Product name:

Rapid-cement, Lappeenranta

Product identification:

CEM II/A-LL 52,5 N (CE marked, DoP_LV_Rapid_4677)

Product description:

Cement is a hydraulic binder, i.e. a finely ground inorganic material which, when mixed with water, forms a paste which sets and hardens by means of hydration reactions and processes and which, after hardening, retains its strength and stability even under water.

UN CPC code:

3744 Cement

LCA INFORMATION

Functional unit / declared unit:

1 metric ton of bulk cement

Reference service life:

NA

Time representativeness:

All material flows of the processes are based on site-specific data gathered for one year of operation, for the period 1st January 2020 – 31st December 2020.

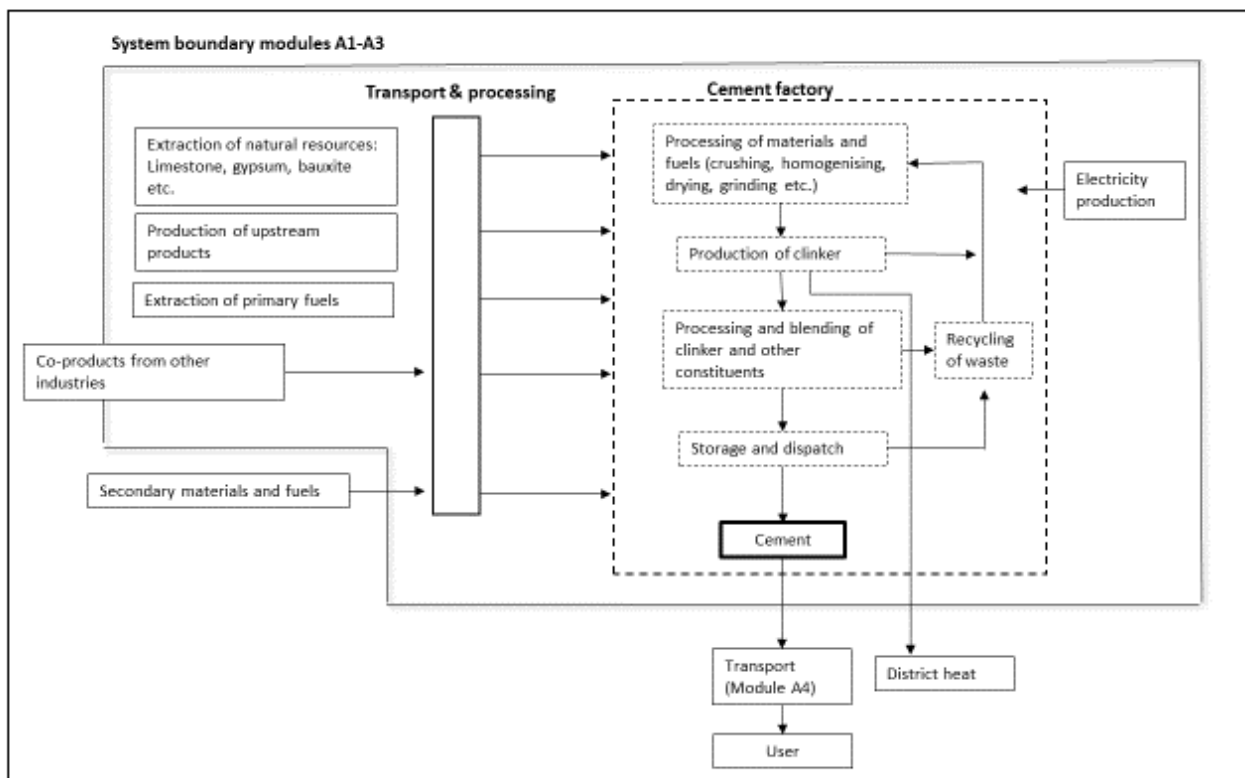
Database(s) and LCA software used:

The Global Concrete and Cement Association (GCCA) verified LCA Model (v3.0, International version, 25 November 2020) was used for the life cycle modelling of the considered product. The GCCA EPD Tool is a web-based calculation tool for EPDs. The life cycle assessment in the tool has been implemented in compliance with EN 15804:2012+A2:2019, PCR 2019:14 Construction products (EN 15804:A2) and complementary PCRs c-PCR-001 Cement and building limes (EN 16908) and c-PCR-003 Concrete and concrete elements (EN 16757), as well as with the General Programme Instructions (GPI 3.01) of the International EPD® System. The GCCA EPD tool is largely based on the ecoinvent v3.5 database.

Description of system boundaries:

The EPD covers the product stage, cradle to gate (A1–A3). The selected system boundaries comprise the production of cement including raw material extraction up to the finished product at the factory gate. They are in accordance with the system boundaries given in EN 16908:2017.

SYSTEM DIAGRAM:



Assumptions about electricity production:

Finnsementti Oy electricity mix is based on the Finnish 2020 Electricity breakdown (Energiateollisuus ry, Energiavuosi 2020). The electricity is market priced electricity. The emission factor used for the electricity is 177 g CO₂-eq./kWh. The emission factor includes the total CO₂-eq. emissions from electricity production and building the power plants.

Cut-off rules:

1 % cut-off rule was applied for input flows in the inventory.

Processes that have been excluded from the LCA study:

- Ball mill charge wear (less than 1% mass)
- Kiln refractory wear (less than 1% mass)
- Internal traffic (less than 1% of primary energy usage)

MODULES DECLARED, GEOGRAPHICAL SCOPE AND SHARE OF SPECIFIC DATA:

	Product stage			Construction process stage		Use stage							End of life stage				Resource recovery stage	
	Raw material supply	Transport	Manufacturing	Transport	Construction installation	Use	Maintenance	Repair	Replacement	Refurbishment	Operational energy use	Operational water use	De-construction demolition	Transport	Waste processing	Disposal	Reuse-Recovery-Recycling-potential	
MODULE	A1	A2	A3	A4	A5	B1	B2	B3	B4	B5	B6	B7	C1	C2	C3	C4	D	
Modules Declared	X	X	X	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND
Geography	EU	EU	EU															
Specific data used	>90 %					-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Variation – products	Not relevant					-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Variation – sites	Not relevant					-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

X = included in LCA MND = Module Not Declared

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

Cement

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Use

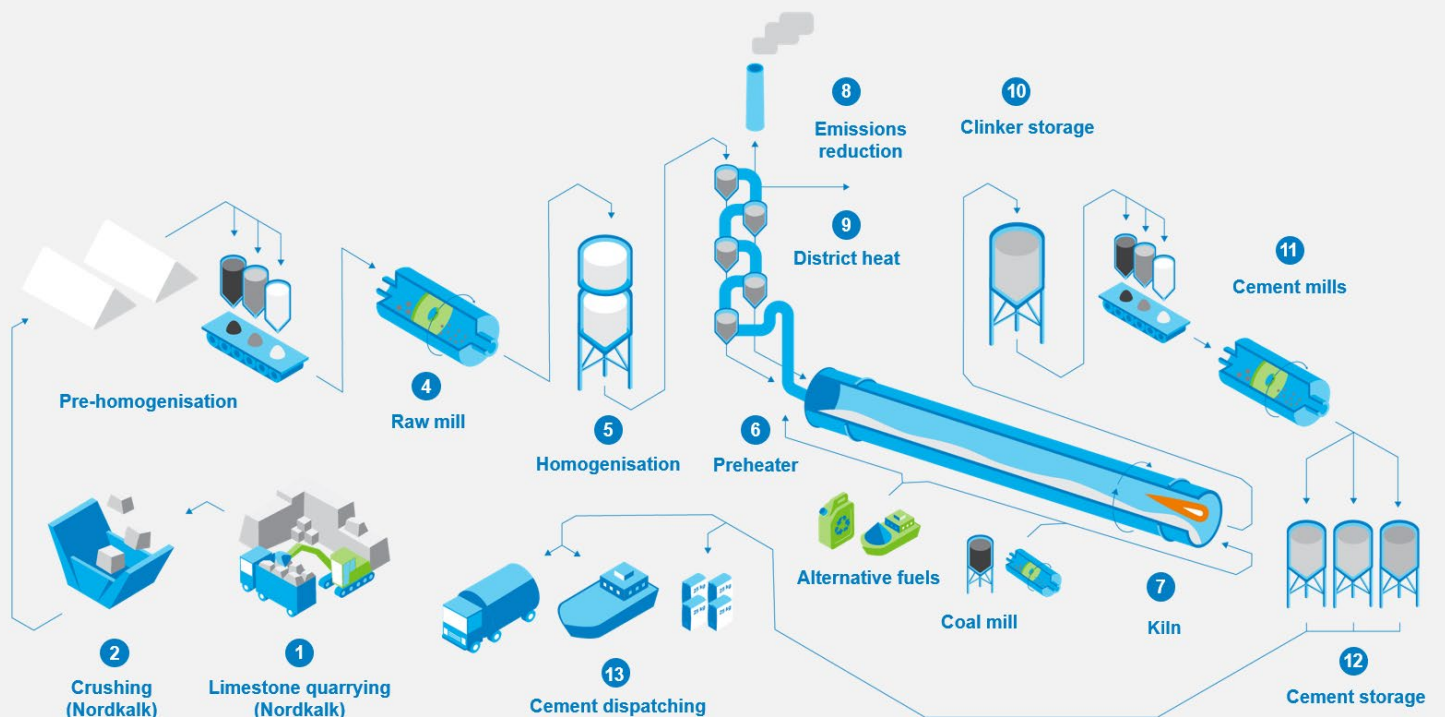
Cement is mainly used as a binder for concrete, mortar or cement screed.

Manufacturing process

The most important component of cement according to EN 197-1 is clinker. It is produced from raw materials such as limestone and industrial co-products or wastes which are crushed, homogenized and fed into a rotary kiln. The raw materials are sintered at a temperature of 1450°C to form new compounds. Clinker consists mainly of calcium-, silicium-, aluminium- and iron-oxides.

In a second phase calcium sulphates and possibly additional cementitious or inert materials are added to the clinker. All constituents are ground leading to a fine and homogenous powder.

The following figure is a schematic representation of the cement manufacturing process from quarry to dispatch (production stage, information modules A1 to A3).



Content information

Cement according to EN 197-1 is produced by grinding and mixing the constituents defined in the standard.

CONSTITUENTS OF FINNSEMENTTI CEMENTS AS DEFINED IN EN 197-1

Main constituents	Portland cement clinker and limestone, blast furnace slag
Calcium sulphate (gypsum)	added to the other constituents of cement during its manufacture to control setting
Minor additional constituents	added to improve the physical properties of the cement, such as workability or water retention
Additives	the total quantity of additives shall not exceed 1.0 % by mass of the cement

This product is a **CEM II/A-LL**-type cement, for which the total of main constituents and minor additional constituents is composed of 80-94 M.-% cement clinker, 6-20 M.-% limestone and 0-5 M.-% minor additional constituents (blast furnace slag).

This product does not contain substances listed in the Candidate List of Substances of Very High Concern for Authorisation (date: 3.5.2021) exceeding 0.1 percentage by mass.

ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION

LCA results per 1 metric t of bulk cement

Core environmental impact indicators			A1	A2	A3	A1-A3
Global warming potential, total	GWP-tot	kg CO ₂ eq.	647	3,8	8,4	660
Global warming potential, fossil fuels	GWP-fos	kg CO ₂ eq.	647	3,8	8,3	659
Global warming potential, biogenic	GWP-bio	kg CO ₂ eq.	0,14	0,003	0,02	0,17
Global warming potential, land use and land use change	GWP-luc	kg CO ₂ eq.	0,065	0,002	0,035	0,10
Ozone depletion potential	ODP	kg CFC ₁₁ eq.	1,1E-05	6,3E-07	2,9E-06	1,5E-05
Acidification potential	AP	mol H ⁺ eq.	1,2	0,07	0,08	1,3
Eutrophication potential, freshwater	EP-fw	kg PO ₄ eq.	0,049	0,001	0,01	0,063
	EP-fw*	kg P eq.	0,016	0,0005	0,004	0,021
Eutrophication potential, marine	EP-mar	kg N eq.	1,5E-03	3,5E-05	4,8E-04	2,0E-03
Eutrophication potential, accumulated exceedance	EP-ter	mol N eq.	5,1	0,08	0,2	5,3
Formation potential of tropospheric ozone	POCP	kg NMVOC eq.	1,2	0,02	0,04	1,3
Abiotic depletion potential for non-fossil resources	ADPE	kg Sb eq.	1,1E-04	5,0E-06	2,7E-05	1,5E-04
Abiotic depletion for fossil resources potential	ADPF	MJ	958	53	95	1107
Water deprivation potential	WDP	m ³ eq.	42	0,4	5,9	48

* Disclaimer: The results of this environmental impact indicator shall be used with care as the uncertainties of these results are high or as there is limited experience with the indicator.

Remark to GWP-tot: This includes 51 kg CO₂-eq. from the incineration of wastes in clinker production. According to the “polluter pays – principle” in EN 15804, that would be assigned to the production system, which has caused the waste. In this EPD the CO₂ contribution is not subtracted. This is to ensure comparability with EU ETS and across countries for calculated global warming potentials for cements even if the used secondary fuels in other countries do not have waste status.

Additional environmental impact indicators			A1	A2	A3	A1-A3
Potential incidence of disease due to pm emissions	PM	Disease incidence	1,4E-05	1,7E-07	3,8E-07	1,4E-05
Potential human exposure efficiency relative to U235	IRP	kBq U235 eq.	2,4E+04	3,2E+02	1,5E+04	3,9E+04
Potential comparative toxic unit for ecosystems	ETP	CTUe	5,6E+01	3,9E+00	5,8E+00	6,6E+01
Potential comparative toxic unit for humans	HTPC	CTUh	2,0E-06	2,6E-08	2,0E-07	2,2E-06
Potential comparative toxic unit for humans	HTPNC	CTUh	2,6E-05	2,9E-07	3,2E-06	2,9E-05
Potential soil quality index	SQP	dimensionless	2172	28	1383	3583

Disclaimer: The results of ETP, HTPC, HTPNC and SQP environmental impact indicators shall be used with care as the uncertainties of these results are high.

Parameters describing resource use			A1	A2	A3	A1-A3
Use of renewable primary energy excluding renewable primary energy resources used as raw	PERE	MJ	277	1	195	473
Use of renewable primary energy resources used as raw materials	PERM	MJ	0	0	0	0
Total use of renewable primary energy resources	PERT	MJ	277	1	195	473
Use of non-renewable primary energy excluding non-renewable primary energy resources used as raw	PENRE	MJ	1351	58	334	1743
Use of non-renewable primary energy resources used as raw materials	PENRM	MJ	0	0	0	0
Total use of non-renewable primary energy resources	PENRT	MJ	1351	58	334	1743
Use of secondary material	SM	kg	186	0	0	186
Use of renewable secondary fuels	RSF	MJ	461	0	0	461
Use of non-renewable secondary fuels	NRSF	MJ	492	0	0	492
Net use of fresh water	NFW	m ³	1,00	0,01	0,15	1,15

Other environmental information describing waste categories			A1	A2	A3	A1-A3
Hazardous waste disposed	HWD	kg	0,35	0	0	0,35
Non-hazardous waste disposed	NHWD	kg	58	0	0	58
Radioactive waste disposed	RWD	kg	0	0	0	0

Environmental information describing output flows			A1	A2	A3	A1-A3
Components for re-use	CRU	kg	0	0	0	0
Materials for recycling	MFR	kg	0,24	0	0	0,24
Materials for energy recovery	MER	kg	0,077	0	0	0,077
Exported energy	EE	MJ	26	0	0	26

Information on biogenic carbon content

The removals and emissions associated with biogenic carbon content of i) the product and ii) the packaging is not calculated. The latter is not significant or even not relevant for the cement sector. The GWB-GHG indicator is not calculated and therefore not reported. The GWP-GHG indicator can be assimilated to the GWP-tot indicator.

Extra indicators			A1	A2	A3	A1-A3
Emissions from calcination and removals from carbonation	CC	kg CO eq.	427	0	0	427
Emissions from combustion of waste from renewable sources	CWRS	kg CO eq.	0,12	0	0	0,12
Emissions from combustion of waste from non-renewable sources	CWNRS	kg CO eq.	51	0	0	51

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The development of scenarios shall be made on the finished product (e.g. concrete) and not on the upstream product cement.

Carbonation

During and after the lifetime of concrete structures or other cement-containing products, hydrated cement contained within the product reacts with CO₂ in the air. Part of the CO₂ emitted during cement production is reabsorbed by the cement through carbonation, a reaction also referred to as cement carbonation. The quantity of CO₂ taken up will depend on the type of application and its treatment after its lifetime. This reaction takes place mainly on the surface of cement-based products. Structural concrete applications are designed according to strict codes which ensure that carbonation at the concrete surface does not lead to corrosion of reinforcement. Carbonation can nevertheless be particularly relevant after demolition when the surface in contact with air increases very significantly. Carbonation contributes to a reduced GWP impact of cement products over their whole life.

Since carbonation will depend on the application in question, please refer to the respective PCR/EPDs for ready-mix concrete, precast concrete, mortar, cement screed or other cement-based products.

Additional information on release of dangerous substances to indoor air, soil and water during the use stage

For additional information on emissions to indoor air, soil and water during the use stage, please refer to the respective EPDs for the downstream products such as ready-mix concrete, precast concrete, screed, plasters, mortars, grouts etc.

More information regarding Finnsementti's environmental objectives and activities as well as regarding safe and effective use and disposal of cement are available on www.finnsementti.fi.

Changes versus previous versions of the EPD

2021-09-01 Version 1

2024-06-05 Version 2

Editorial changes only. Corrected errors regarding product name (Parainen changed to Lappeenranta) and product identification (42,5 R to 52,5 N) on page 3.

REFERENCES

General Programme Instructions of the International EPD® System. Version 3.01.

PCR 2019:14

Construction Products. Version 1.1

EN 15804:2012-04 + A2 2019

Sustainability of construction works – Environmental Product Declarations – Core rules for the product category of construction products

EN 16908: 2017

Cement and building lime - Environmental product declarations – Product category rules complementary to EN 15804

EN 197-1: 2011

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Global Concrete and Cement Association (GCCA) verified LCA Model

(v3.0, International version, 25 November 2020)

Candidate List of Substances of Very High Concern for Authorization European Chemical Agency

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