

# kg Ethylene tetrafluoroethylene (ETFE)

Ethylene tetrafluoroethylene (ETFE) is a fluorine-based plastic with high corrosion resistance, self-cleaning properties, ultraviolet resistance and resistant to a broad range of temperatures.

ETFE is produced by polymerising tetrafluoroethylene using water. ETFE is then extruded to the required thickness and welded into large sheets.

Due to its high resistance to the outdoor environment, ETFE is used in tensile architecture as a membrane and can also be used in inflated cushions.

**Category** *Plastics*  
**Type** *Other polymers*  
**Functional unit** *kg*  
**Specific heat** *1 950 J/(kg·K)*  
**Density** *1 700 kg/m<sup>3</sup>*

**Common uses**  
*Tensile architecture, inflatable cushions*

**Process name**  
*Ethylene Tetrafluoroethylene (ETFE), film*

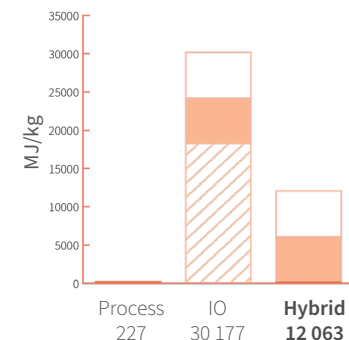
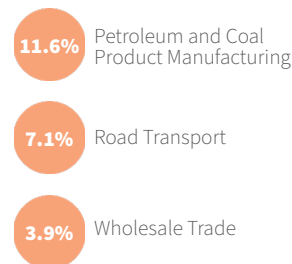
**Input-output sector**  
*Polymer Product Manufacturing*

**Further information**  
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## Material variations

	Unit	Energy (MJ/unit)	Water (L/unit)	GHG emissions (kgCO <sub>2</sub> e/unit)
Ethylene tetrafluoroethylene (ETFE)	kg	12 063	22 606	798
ETFE film - 25.4 µm (0.001")	m <sup>2</sup>	306	574	20.3
ETFE film - 50.8 µm (0.002")	m <sup>2</sup>	613	1 148	40.5
ETFE film - 127 µm (0.005")	m <sup>2</sup>	1 532	2 871	101

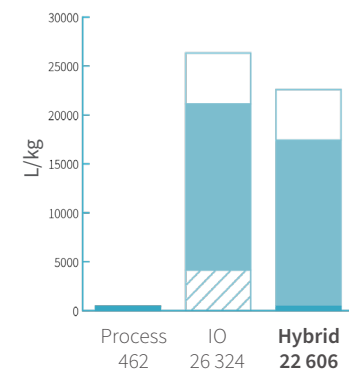
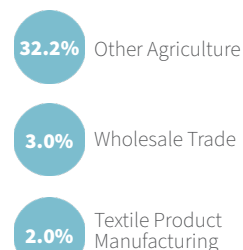
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## ENERGY



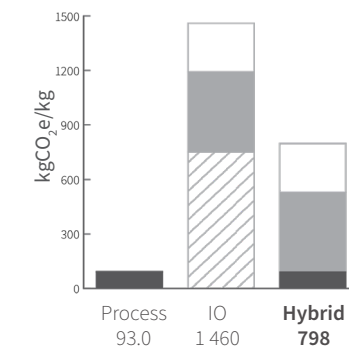
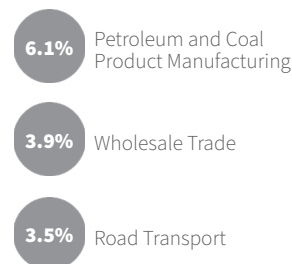
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## WATER



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## GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS

