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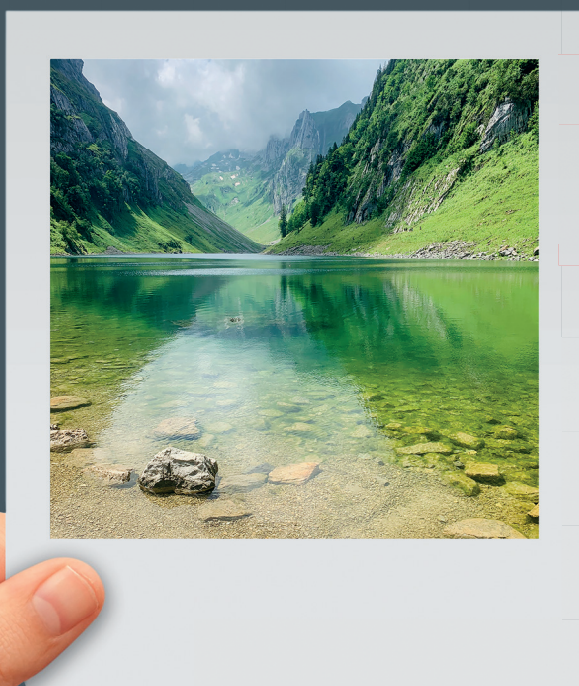
# Sustainability Report 2023



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Owner

# Who we are and what matters to us

Buzil is a family-run company that has stood for consistent quality and expertise since 1907. We offer high-quality cleaning products – manufactured exclusively in Germany – and services whose efficacy is inextricably linked to our commitment to sustainability.



Our vision:

## Truly clean for a livable future

Whereby **“truly”** stands for our pursuit of integrity and excellence in everything we do.

**“Clean”** symbolises our goal to offer effective products and solutions, while also protecting our customers’ health and the environment.

**“Livable”** underscores our desire to contribute to an improved quality of life for everyone.

With a focus on the **future**, Buzil is committed to developing innovative and sustainable solutions.

## The Buzil team

# 117

**employees**, of whom 109 are permanent staff.

# 33

**women** are employed at Buzil.

# 84

**men are employed at** Buzil.

# 12

different **nationalities** are represented in Buzil’s workforce. This cultural diversity enriches our team and is a great asset for our company.

Currently, none of our employees identify as non-binary or gender diverse.

# Packaging aspects

## Closures

We are considering switching to PCR (post-consumer recycled) material.

## Recycled content

Currently, our 600-ml and 1-litre containers consist of 30% recycled material. In 2024, we will increase this amount to 70%.

## More PCR in our canisters

We plan to switch our canisters that are not filled with hazardous materials to PCR material. This affects about half of our 5, 10 and 20-litre canisters.

## Fewer pages in our labels

This will help us reduce our material consumption.

## Eco-friendly inks

Our inks are toxin-free, allowing our labels to be safely recycled.

## New label material

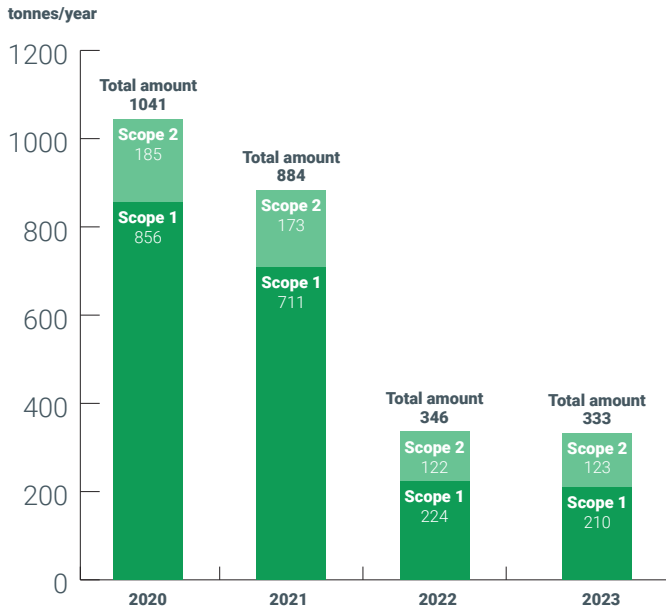
The label is made of polypropylene. The bottle and label are no longer made from composite materials and can now be recycled together.



**Our cardboard packaging is made from 100% recycled paper (FSC Recycled)**



# Emissions reduced, energy saved

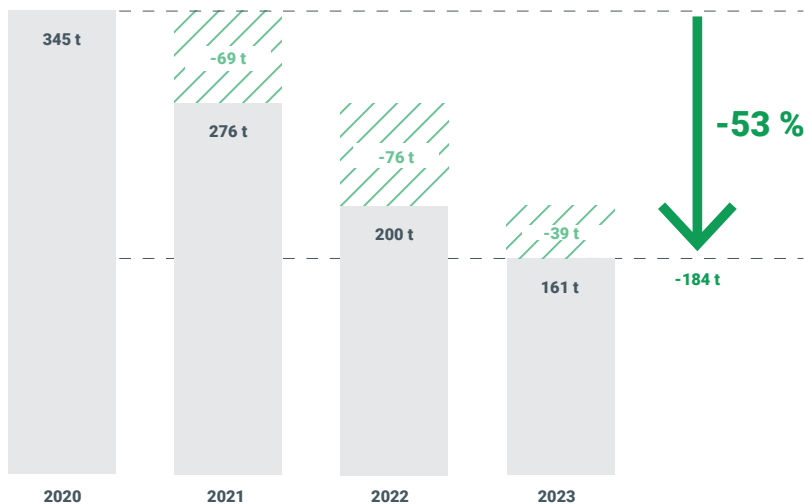
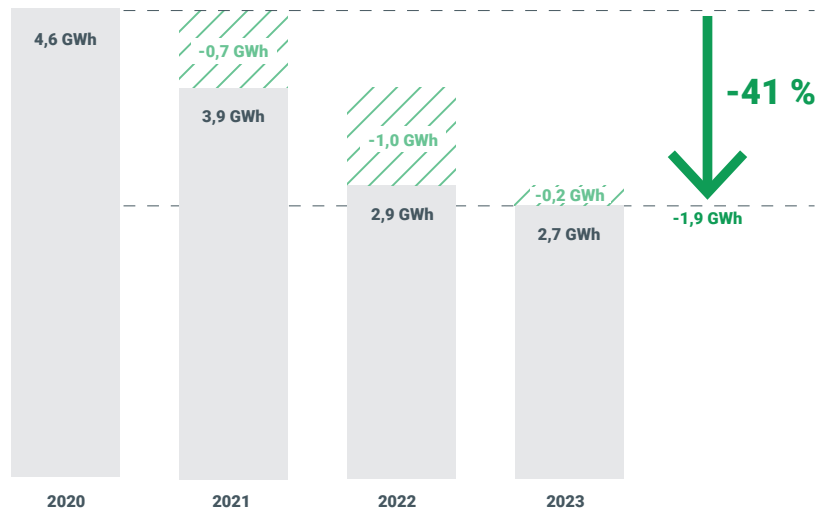


**In just three years,  
we have reduced  
our CO<sub>2</sub> emissions  
by 68%**

Despite increasing production volumes, our emissions have continued to fall. In 2022 and 2023, Buzil fully offset its Scope 1 and 2 emissions. As a result, our Memmingen site is now net carbon neutral.

## Energy savings

In 2023, we reduced our energy consumption by 1.9 GWh compared to 2020, achieving energy savings of over 41%.



## Waste

We track numerous metrics for waste, or rather for recyclable materials, and set ourselves ambitious yearly waste reduction targets. As a result, we successfully halved our commercial waste between 2020 and 2023.

# Electricity

In 2023, we expanded our solar PV system to increase our production of renewable electricity. Its capacity was increased from 218 kW by an additional 261 kW, more than doubling it and significantly boosting the amount of solar electricity fed into the grid.

The 129 MWh of electricity we fed into the grid corresponds to a saving of 136 tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub>e equivalents (CO<sub>2</sub>e) based on our current energy mix. This figure exceeds our Scope 2 emissions.

	2020	2021	2022	2023
<b>Solar electricity fed into the grid (MWh)</b>	59	62	74	129
<b>CO<sub>2</sub>e saved through electricity feed-in (t CO<sub>2</sub>e)</b>	90	98	109	136



**In 2023, the amount of electricity we fed into the grid equalled the annual consumption of 78 people in Germany.**

This translates to Buzil providing over 60% of its workforce with green energy.

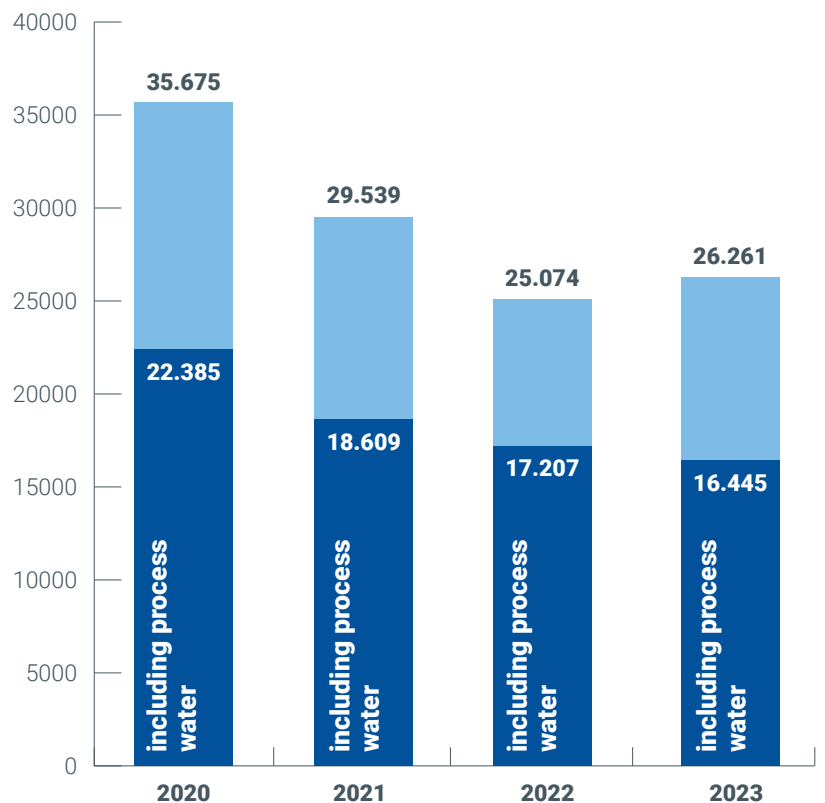
# Water

Water is our most important raw material. We manage it responsibly and continuously optimise our production processes. In this way, we keep our water consumption as low as possible.

## Goals for 2024

- By the end of 2024, we will establish resource-saving targets for our products, including goals for water consumption.
- Our cooling water will be reused via an internal circuit and will no longer enter the waste water system.
- The waste water generated from the production of osmosis water will be repurposed as a raw material.
- Instead of using drinking water to rinse our filling systems, we will utilise well water wherever possible.

Water in m<sup>3</sup> per year



# Buzil's outstanding sustainability



**We were awarded the Platinum Medal for the second time in a row**

Only 1% of all companies assessed by EcoVadis receive a Platinum Medal. EcoVadis is considered one of the world's most prestigious sustainability ratings.



**Our quality, environmental and occupational safety management systems are certified to this standard**



## **Cradle-to-Cradle**

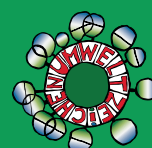
"Cradle-to-Cradle" is a set of standards used to certify products based on their environmental impact and sustainability throughout their life cycle. C2C places a strong emphasis on adherence to social and environmental standards, as well as supply chain standards. We anticipate that our Planta portfolio will be certified to this standard by the end of 2024.



## **Sustainability as a brand**

By relaunching Planta as an independent product brand, we have highlighted our strong commitment to sustainability and our vision of making the world a cleaner and healthier place.

Every product in the Planta range has at least one ecolabel. The EU Ecolabel identifies products that are more environmentally friendly and healthier compared to similar offerings on the market. The Austrian Ecolabel (Österreichisches Umweltzeichen) identifies products based on similar criteria.





**Buz® Universal P 910**  
Alcohol universal cleaner



**Buz®+ Intense P 911**  
Power cleaner



**Buz® Glass P 912**  
Ready-to-use glass and surface cleaner



**Buz® Window King P 913**  
Glass and window cleaner concentrate



**Bucasan® Fresh P 920**  
Universal sanitary routine cleaner



**Bucasan® Hit P 921**  
Sanitary cleaner, formulated with citric acid



**Bucasan®+ Intense P 922**  
Sanitary cleaner formulated with methanesulphonic acid



**Corridor® Wipe P 930**  
Polymer-based wipes with odour inhibitor



**Corridor®+ Multi Stripper P 937**  
Universal basic cleaner



**Corridor®+ Protect Glossy P 938**  
High-gloss dispersion



**Vamat®+ Fett Ex P 940**  
Kitchen and grease cleaner



**Vamat® Dishy P 941**  
Dishwashing detergent and neutral cleaner



**Indumaster® IR 55 P 950**  
Universal industrial cleaner



**Rinax® Soap Zero P 960**  
Hand wash lotion, fragrance-free



**Rinax® Soap P 961**  
Hand wash lotion

# Buzil keeps a close watch on its supply chain

## Buzil's country ranking system



Through this approach, we rank the countries involved in our business activities, particularly in the area of procurement and sales. Fifty-one countries have scored between 51 and 70 points and are classified as “high-risk” (yellow). Buzil continues to operate in these countries but will scrutinise these operations more closely in the future. Additionally, 93 countries are rated “red” and 33 countries are unindexed. These countries are being phased out of our supply chain – if this has not already been done.

## Supplier risk matrix

All suppliers of raw materials and other materials to Buzil are evaluated using a comprehensive questionnaire covering topics such as environmental impact, quality, safety and social responsibility. Our suppliers are ranked according to their scores using a traffic light system. Green represents a low risk and red a high risk. The following table shows our current suppliers by risk category.

Risk category	2022	2023	2024 goal
Green	42	66	70
Orange	34	20	29
Red	18	17	10
Unrated	24	16	10



**Read the full report now and find out more!**

Our short-form 2023 Sustainability Report provides a concise overview of our green milestones and forward-thinking projects. For more in-depth insights and details, we invite you to explore the full version.

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