

BAFA enhances transparency in the blending market and now also reports HVO volumes

UFOP expects higher HVO shares in blends as greenhouse gas quota obligations rise

Berlin, 4 December 2025. – After a long interruption, the Federal Office for Economic Affairs and Export Control (BAFA) has published the biofuels consumption figures up to August 2025. For the first time, the data also include HVO volumes. BAFA thus meets the call for greater transparency in the blending market that the Union zur Förderung von Oel- und Proteinpflanzen e. V. (UFOP) has repeatedly issued.

In August 2025, biodiesel consumption increased just over 3 per cent on the previous month, reaching 202,900 tonnes while still falling 3 per cent short of the previous year's figure. The HVO volume amounted to approximately 10,340 tonnes, around 12 per cent below the July level. Since at the same time, consumption of diesel fuel decreased 8 per cent, the HVO share in blends rose 0.7 per cent to 7.3 per cent.

In the first eight months of 2025, the use of biodiesel for blending totalled just under 1.6 million tonnes, a decrease of around 2 per cent on the same period last year according to research by Agrarmarkt Informations-Gesellschaft (mbH). The HVO volume reached 112,888 tonnes, also slightly below the previous year's 117,500 tonnes. Consumption of diesel fuel in the period January to August added up to roughly 20.2 million tonnes, exceeding the previous year's level by nearly 2 per cent. Against this background, the incorporation rate decreased 0.2 per cent year-on-year, falling to 7.3 per cent.

The UFOP has justified its call for transparency with the expected increase in importance of HVO as a so-called drop-in fuel, since the incorporation rate of biodiesel in diesel fuel is capped at 7 per cent by volume. HVO, on the other hand, can be blended at rates up to 26 per cent without violating the DIN EN 590 diesel fuel standard. The rising greenhouse gas quota obligations in the draft bill currently under discussion to amend greenhouse gas quota legislation – up to 53 per cent in 2040 –, together with the concurrent ramp-up of e-mobility, primarily support the increased use of HVO.



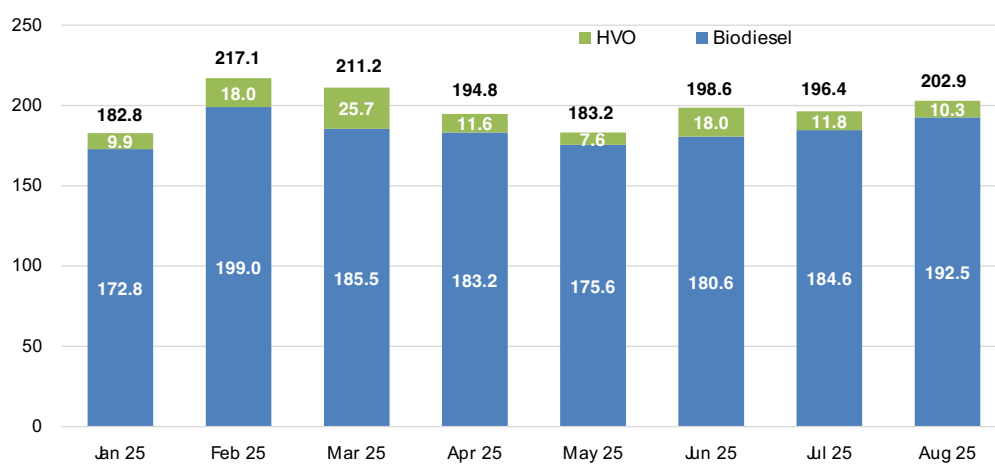
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Blending volumes of biodiesel and HVO, in 1,000 tonnes



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