

Each year, Sumitomo Bakelite sets specific targets for reducing its environmental impact, evaluating them on a monthly basis.

The planned targets and actual performance in fiscal 2008 are shown in the table below.

The Sumitomo Bakelite Group was influenced in fiscal 2008 by the worldwide economic recession, and was obliged to reduce certain production activities. As a

result, each of the items below was affected by these developments. While declines were not reported in any of the items, certain items, including waste, increased because of fluctuations in demand for reuse.

Action	Unit	2007 performance	2008 plan	2008 performance	Comments
Waste generation	Tonnes	10,017	9,180	7,818	As a result of the decline in production, waste generation was substantially below the targeted volume. In certain fields, sale of waste for economic use became difficult, and it was necessary to dispose of such items as industrial waste, but this did not exceed the effect of the decline in production volumes.
Zero-emissions-designated substances	Tonnes	227	119	201	The targeted level of emissions was exceeded, because those items for which, previously, economic uses could be found and those that could be disposed of through recycling were disposed of in landfills. In addition, the amount of sludge collected in plant cleanup operations rose.
Air emissions of solvents and other chemical substances	Tonnes	317	206	194	The target was attained because reduction in production volumes resulted in lower air emissions.
CO₂ emissions	Tonnes	122,559	120,307	108,568	The target was attained because reduction in production volumes resulted in lower air emissions.

