Denmark

Figure 1. Proportion of CO₂ emissions from energy use subject to different levels of effective carbon rates in Denmark in 2018

Figure 2. Average effective carbon rates in Denmark by sector and component in 2018

In 2018, effective carbon rates in Denmark consisted of fuel excise taxes and to a smaller extent of carbon taxes and of permit prices from the EU-ETS. Denmark priced about 61% of its carbon emissions from energy use and about 39% were priced at an ECR above EUR 60 per tonne of CO₂ (see top figure). Emissions priced at this level originated primarily from the road transport sector. The majority of unpriced emissions were from the industry sector and the residential and commercial sector.

A large share of the unpriced emissions was from the combustion of biomass. Excluding emissions from the combustion of biomass, Denmark priced about 94% of its carbon emissions from energy use, and about 60% were priced at an ECR above EUR 60 per tonne of CO₂.

For additional information to interpret the graphs, see: https://oe.cd/ECR-graph-info

Main insights from the effective carbon rates database: http://oe.cd/ECR2021