

# Consumption of biodiesel and bioethanol fluctuated moderately

**Berlin, 9 August 2023.** In the first four months of 2023, consumption of B7 diesel fuel amounted to just over 9.6 million tonnes, which was down just under 7 per cent on the previous year's volume. Above all, March 2023 outstripped the previous sales quantities in the calendar year. April 2023 biodiesel consumption declined just less than 5 per cent to 209,300 tonnes on the same month the previous year.

At around 831,000 tonnes, the quarterly consumption of biodiesel was just over 2 per cent below the previous year's figure. Since diesel consumption in the first four months declined more sharply than over the same period a year earlier, the volumetric incorporation rate rose from 7.5 per the previous year to 7.9 per cent, according to investigations conducted by Agrarmarkt Informations-Gesellschaft (mbH).

April 2023 use of bioethanol including ETBE remained just below the 100,000 tonne mark. Bioethanol and ETBE recorded a rise of 13 per cent and 5 per cent, respectively, on the previous month. Nevertheless, the monthly total of 99,400 tonnes showed a decline of just over 12 per cent on the same month the previous year. At the same time, petrol consumption increased 4 per cent to 1.3 million tonnes on April 2022.

As a result of this, the percentage of biodiesel contained in blends dropped to 7.1 (previous year: 8.2) per cent in April 2023. Since both more fossil fuel and more biofuel was consumed in the first four months, total consumption reached just over 5.5 million tonnes. This translates to a 4 per cent rise year-on-year. Statistics of several years are available on <https://www.ufop.de/biodiesel-und-co/biodiesel-preis/> (in German only).



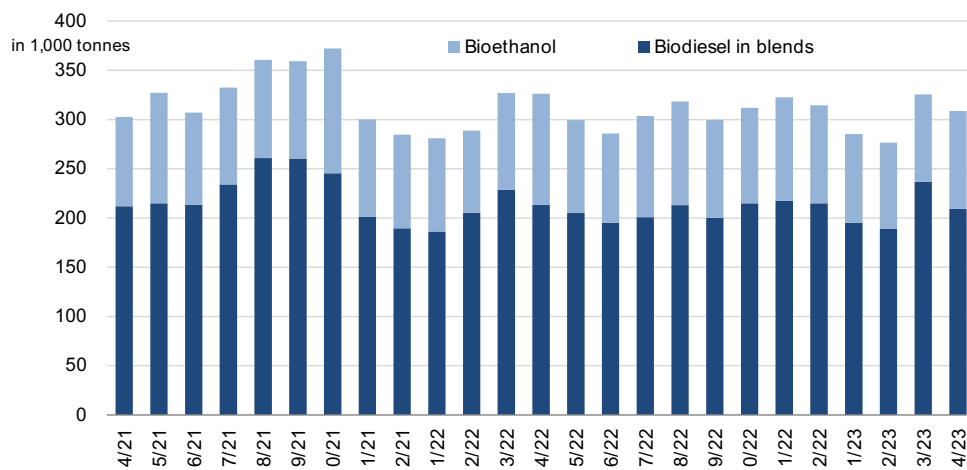
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