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IEA: global CO2 emissions remain constant in 2009

Global CO2 emissions did not fall last year as predicted by the International Energy Agency (IEA). The agency predicted that global CO2 emissions could fall in 2009 by as much as 3%, but a Dutch report, which examined emissions from energy use and cement and chemicals production, reported that emissions remained flat.

Total CO2 emissions in the EU-15 fell by 7% to 3.1 billion tonnes, and by 7% to 5.3 billion tonnes in the US. Emissions in Japan and Russia fell by 11% to 1.2 billion tonnes and 9% to 1.6 billion tonnes respectively. Global emissions have increased by 25% since 2000, and almost 40% since 1990.

The report from the Netherlands Environmental Assessment Agency, PBL, can be found here:

<http://www.rivm.nl/bibliotheek/rapporten/500212001.pdf>