

Domain: Environment

## Environmental protection expenditure in 2021

- In 2021, the environmental protection expenditure at national level amounted to approximately 16.9 billion lei<sup>1)</sup>, accounting for about 1.4% of the GDP<sup>2)</sup>.
- At national level, the highest environmental protection expenditure was recorded in the waste management domain, for the specialised producers, with a share of 77.3% of the total waste management related expenditure.
- At national level, the highest environmental protection investments were recorded for the wastewater management by general government, with a share of 74.8% of the total investments in wastewater management.

### Environmental protection expenditure by activity sector and by expenditure category, in 2021

- thousand lei current prices -

Activity sectors	Total expenditure	of which			
		Investments	Current expenditure		Transfers
			internal	external	
<b>Unspecialised producers</b>	<b>9,243,563</b>	<b>1,098,522</b>	<b>2,129,717</b>	<b>6,015,324</b>	<b>-</b>
Forestry, logging and related service activities	253,610	9,664	122,635	121,311	-
Mining and quarrying	963,787	140,056	577,070	246,661	-
Manufacturing	1,465,194	272,870	471,045	721,279	-
Electric and thermal energy, gas and hot water production and supply	4,554,607	132,815	91,581	4,330,211	-
Water collection, treatment and supply	1,305,131	413,123	713,404	178,604	-
Construction	322,922	12,988	56,528	253,406	-
Transport	286,130	114,580	28,833	142,717	-
Other activities*	92,182	2,426	68,621	21,135	-
<b>Specialised producers</b>	<b>9,549,679</b>	<b>859,568</b>	<b>6,666,830</b>	<b>2,023,281</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>General government</b>	<b>8,239,633</b>	<b>2,156,432</b>	<b>1,784,729</b>	<b>2,112,070</b>	<b>2,186,402</b>

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In 2021, at national level, the environmental protection investments accounted for approximately 24.4% of the total environmental protection expenditure.

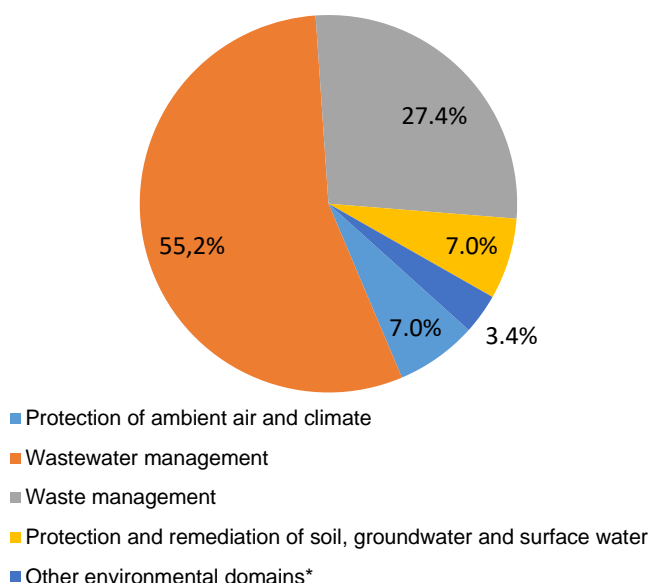
At national level, the investments of general government had the highest share in the total environmental protection investments (52.4%), followed by the investments of unspecialised producers (26.7%) and by those of specialised producers (20.9%). The unspecialised producers reported the highest environmental protection expenditure in the field of “electric and thermal energy, gas and hot water production and supply” (49.3%), in the field of “manufacturing” (15.9%) and in the field of “water collection, treatment and supply” (14.1%).

<sup>1)</sup> The expenditure at national level includes: investments, the current internal expenditure (current expenditure on own environmental protection activities) and other expenditure of general government (subsidies granted, transfers), while the current external expenditure (mainly consisting of the expenditure on the purchase of environmental protection services from third parties) is not included.

<sup>2)</sup> GDP – 2021 provisional data

In 2021, the biggest environmental protection investments were recorded for wastewater management, with a value of 2,274,294 thousand lei current prices.

### Structure of environmental protection investments by environmental domain, at national level, in 2021



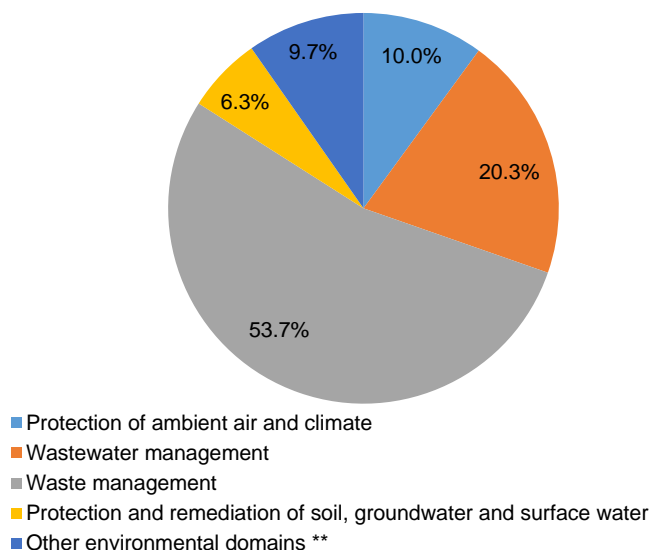
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*\*Other environmental domains = Noise and vibration abatement + Protection against radiation + Environmental research and development + Protection of biodiversity and landscape + Other environmental protection activities*

In 2021, the highest environmental protection expenses were reported for the waste management domain, with a value of 9,059,787 thousand lei current prices, followed by the wastewater management domain, with 3,427,437 thousand lei current prices.

The largest environmental protection expenditure was recorded by specialised producers for the domain of “waste management”, with 93.1% of the expenses of this category of producers, accounting for 77.3% of the national-level environmental protection expenditure in this environmental domain. This is followed by the expenditure of general government in the domain of “wastewater management”, with 29.8% of the expenses of this category of producers, accounting for 53.3% of the national-level environmental protection expenditure in this environmental domain.

### Structure of environmental protection expenditure by environmental domain, at national level\*, in 2021



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*\* Investments + internal current expenditure + transfers*

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### Additional information:

For an accurate interpretation of indicators, please see the [Methodological notes](#) attached to the press release on the homepage.

Additional information can be found by consulting the TEMPO online database, [www.insse.ro](http://www.insse.ro) and the statistical publication “Environmental protection expenditure in 2021”, date of issue November 25, 2022.

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