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Sustainability report

An aerial photograph of a two-lane asphalt road curving through a dense forest. A white semi-truck is driving on the road. The forest is lush green, and a body of water is visible in the upper left corner, reflecting the sky. The overall scene is bathed in a soft, golden light, suggesting late afternoon or early morning.

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Quality that lasts – throughout the entire lifecycle

At Närko, sustainability work begins at the drawing board. By integrating environmental considerations into the design phase, we take full responsibility for the product, from the first weld to the last kilometer. Using lightweight yet robust materials, we extend the lifespan of our vehicles and reduce fuel costs for our customers.

Long lifespan, low fuel consumption

Närko's trailers and superstructures have a technical lifespan of at least 10–20 years – significantly longer than most other products in the industry. We have also implemented several technical solutions to reduce fuel consumption, and this work continued with full force throughout 2024.



We are committed to reducing our environmental impact in accordance with the UN Sustainable Development Goals.

10-20 years

TECHNICAL LIFESPAN OF
NÄRKO PRODUCTS



Key figures

Närko Group is a multi-industry conglomerate and a third-generation family business. We manufacture trailers and operate a vegetable wholesale business. The figures presented in this report apply to the operations at Närko's factory site in Närpiö, Finland.



NÄRKO GROUP NET SALES PER BUSINESS UNIT 2025

57 M€

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43,9 M€

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5,9 M€

TRAILER RIGG

12,8 M€

BOTNIA GRÖNSAKER

Important milestones through the years



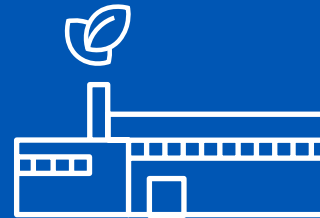
DISTRICT HEATING WITH BIOMASS

Since 2006, the district heating we use has been produced using biomass.



100% CLIMATE- NEUTRAL ELECTRICITY

In 2021, we transitioned to 100% emission-free electricity from renewable and fossil-free sources.



CLIMATE-NEUTRAL FACTORY

Our factory in Närpes is climate-neutral according to Scope 2, thanks to our use of emission-free electricity and district heating.



PIONEERING SCOPE 3

In 2024, Närko became the first company in the industry to calculate Scope 3 emissions, representing the carbon footprint of the entire value chain.

Environmental measures 2025

- » Installation of a new ventilation system with efficient heat recovery (phase 1)
- » New surface treatment system that reduces VOC emissions
- » Continued calculations for scope 1, 2, and 3
- » Continued replacement of old lights with LED lights featuring automatic shut-off

Future goals and measures

- » Installation of solar panels
- » New factory roof with improved insulation
- » Ventilation system with heat recovery (phases 2 and 3)
- » Continued reduction of electricity and district heating consumption

ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION 2025

New coating system results in lower VOC emissions and less waste

In October 2025, Närko implemented a new surface treatment system for painting trailers. This new method provides a better working environment and several environmental benefits:

- 🌀 VOC emissions are reduced by up to 30%.
- 🌀 The paint is easier to apply, which improves ergonomics for the staff.
- 🌀 The system reduces paint waste as separate paints for priming and topcoating are no longer required.
- 🌀 The topcoat provides even better corrosion protection than before, increasing the products' lifespan.
- 🌀 Drying requires less energy than before due to lower heat requirements.



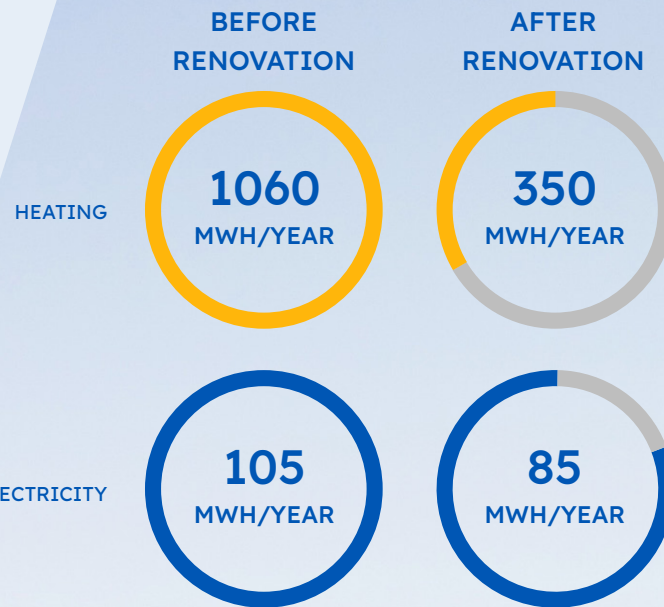
ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION 2025

Heat recovery in the factory reduces energy consumption

In the autumn of 2025, Närko carried out a renovation of the factory's ventilation system. According to calculations, the new system will significantly reduce energy consumption.

The old ventilation system lacked heat recovery, whereas the new system captures waste heat from the air. Calculations indicate that this will reduce energy consumption by **as much as 67 percent**.

The new ventilation system will also lead to lower operating costs and an improved indoor climate.



Energy consumption

At Närko, we continuously monitor our CO2 emissions and work actively to reduce them. In 2025, we successfully achieved our goal of keeping electricity consumption below 60 MWh in relation to turnover. Regarding district heating consumption, we are making good progress but finished slightly short of the target. For 2026, we have further tightened our targets.

We have calculated scope 1 and 2 for our operations since 2021, and during 2024, we also began calculating scope 3.

FUTURE GOALS

Electricity
consumption below

58 MWh*

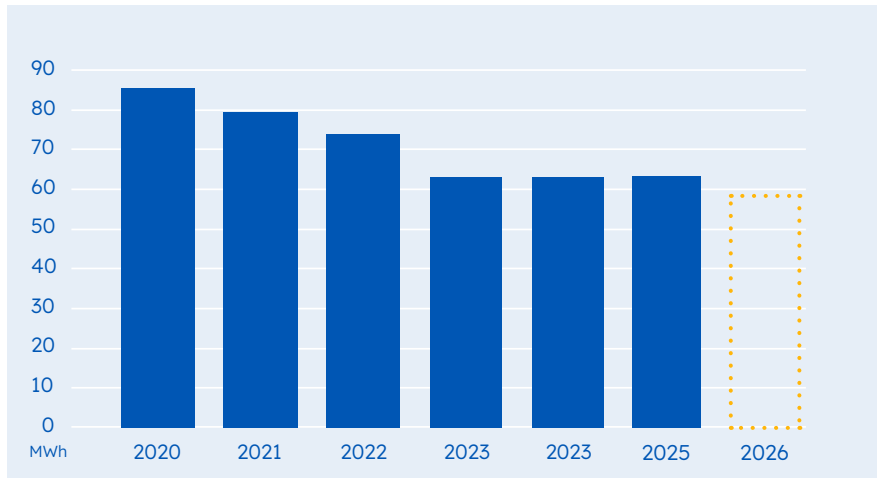
District heating
consumption below

115 MWh*

* Consumption is calculated
in relation to turnover

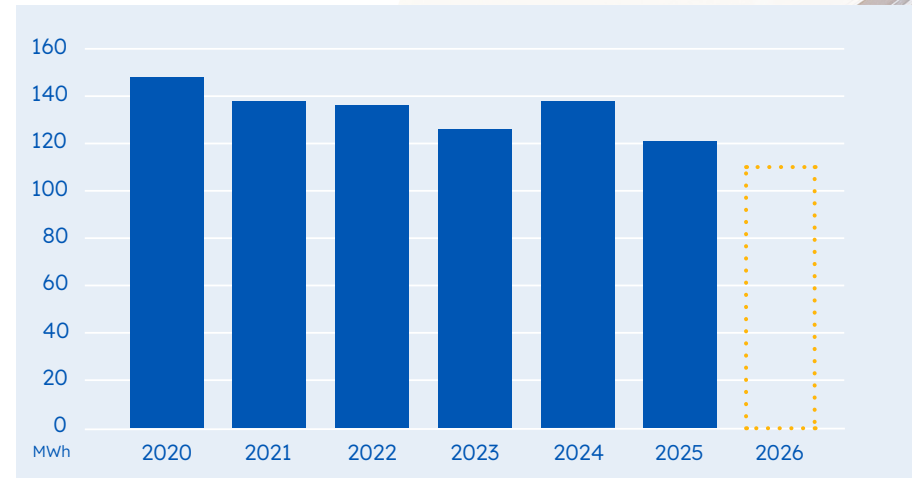
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ELECTRICITY CONSUMPTION (MWH) IN RELATION TO TURNOVER

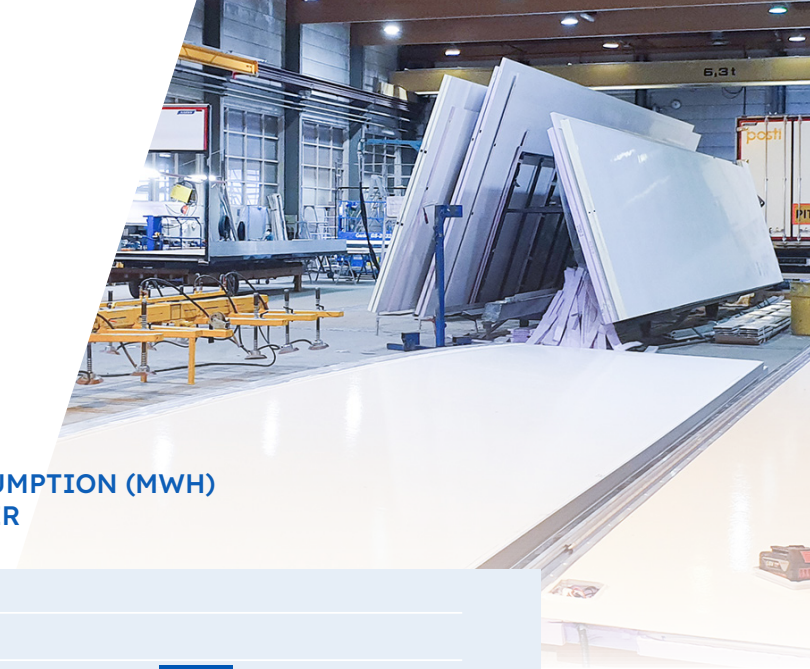


The increase in electricity consumption in 2024 is partly due to an increasing number of electric vehicles, which are charged prior to delivery.

DISTRICT HEATING CONSUMPTION (MWH) IN RELATION TO TURNOVER

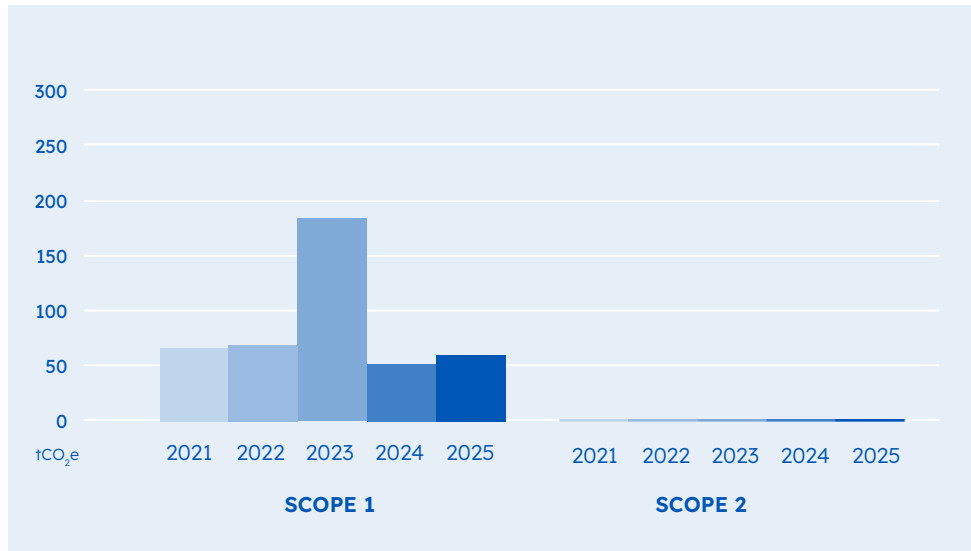


Higher district heating consumption in 2024 is explained by a cold winter and the inclusion of a new building in the heating calculations.



Scope 1, 2 and 3

In 2021, we transitioned to climate-neutral electricity and thereby became carbon neutral according to Scope 2. In 2024, we calculated Scope 3 for our operations for the first time (based on the previous year's data) and intend to do so annually from now on.



The peak in Scope 1 emissions in 2023 was caused by repairs to the refrigeration system, which required the purchase of new refrigerant.

Carbon neutral in Scope 2 since 2021.



The higher figures for 2025 are primarily due to construction projects in the factory. Furthermore, the transition to the new coating system required the disposal of a significant amount of old paint, which led to an increase in hazardous waste during 2025.



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