



# 27-inch iMac

## Environmental Report



Model MB952, MB953

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### Environmental Status Report



27-inch iMac is designed with the following features to reduce environmental impact:

- Mercury-free LED-backlit display
- Arsenic-free display glass
- Brominated flame retardant-free
- PVC-free<sup>1</sup>
- Highly recyclable aluminum and glass enclosure

Meets ENERGY STAR® Version 5.0 requirements.



27-inch iMac achieved a Gold rating from EPEAT.<sup>2</sup>



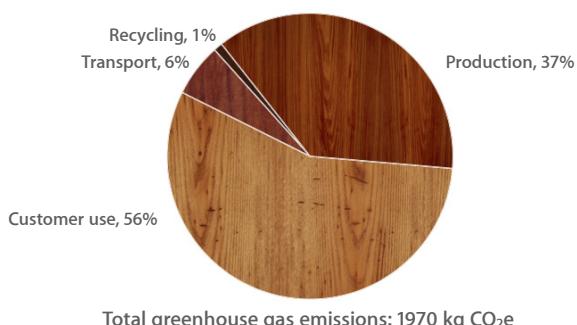
## Apple and the Environment

Apple believes that improving the environmental performance of our business starts with our products. The careful environmental management of our products throughout their life cycles includes controlling the quantity and type of materials used in their manufacture, improving their energy efficiency, and designing them for better recyclability. The information below details the environmental performance of the 27-inch iMac as it relates to climate change, energy efficiency, restricted substances, and material efficiency.

## Climate Change

Greenhouse gas emissions have an impact on the planet's balance of land, ocean, and air temperatures. Most of Apple's corporate greenhouse gas emissions come from the production, transport, use, and recycling of its products. Apple seeks to minimize greenhouse gas emissions by setting stringent design-related goals for material and energy efficiency. The chart below provides the estimated greenhouse gas emissions for the 27-inch iMac over its life cycle.

### Greenhouse Gas Emissions for 27-inch iMac



## Energy Efficiency

Because the largest portion of product-related greenhouse gas emissions result from its use, energy efficiency is a key part of each product's design. Apple products use power-efficient components and software that can intelligently power them down during periods of inactivity. The result is that the iMac is energy efficient right out of the box.

The 27-inch iMac outperforms the stringent requirements of ENERGY STAR Program Requirements for Computers Version 5.0. The 27-inch iMac consumes 67 percent less power in off mode and has a 3 percent smaller carbon footprint than the original 15-inch iMac. The following table details the power consumed in different use modes.

### Power Consumption for 27-inch iMac

Mode	100V	115V	230V
Off	0.84W	0.83W	0.92W
Sleep	1.77W	1.75W	1.87W
Idle—Display off / on	49.0W / 152.9W	49.2W / 153.0W	49.3W / 150.8W
Power supply efficiency	87%	88%	87%

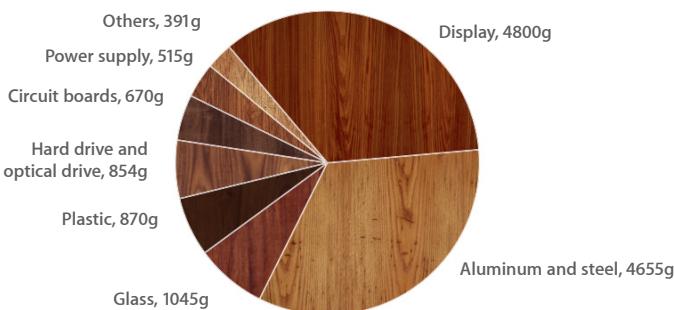
## Continuous Improvement of iMac Design



## Material Efficiency

Apple's ultracompact product and packaging designs lead the industry in material efficiency. Reducing the material footprint of a product helps maximize shipping efficiency. It also helps reduce energy consumed during production as well as material waste generated at the end of the product's life. The enclosure of the 27-inch iMac is made of highly recyclable aluminum and glass. The chart below details the materials used in this model.

### Material Use for 27-inch iMac



## Packaging

The packaging for the 27-inch iMac is almost entirely recyclable and its retail box is made with a minimum of 25 percent post-consumer recycled content. In addition, its packaging is extremely material efficient, allowing more units to ship per pallet. The following table details the materials used in its packaging.

### Packaging Breakdown for 27-inch iMac

Material	Retail box	Retail and shipping box
Paper (corrugate, paperboard)	2320g	4120g
Expanded polystyrene	570g	570g
Polypropylene (film, fabric)	79g	79g
Other plastics	31g	31g

## Restricted Substances

Apple has long taken the lead in restricting harmful substances from its products and packaging. As part of this strategy, all Apple products comply with the strict European Directive on the Restriction of the Use of Certain Hazardous Substances in Electrical and Electronic Equipment, also known as the RoHS Directive. Examples of materials restricted by RoHS include lead, mercury, cadmium, hexavalent chromium, and PBB and PBDE brominated flame retardants (BFRs). The 27-inch iMac goes even further than the requirements of the RoHS Directive by incorporating the following more aggressive restrictions:

- Mercury-free LED-backlit display
- Arsenic-free display glass
- Brominated flame retardant (BFR)-free
- Internal cables free of polyvinyl chloride (PVC)
- PVC-free AC power cord for U.S., Canada, Mexico, Colombia, El Salvador, Guatemala, Panama, Peru, Puerto Rico, U.S. Virgin Islands, and Venezuela



## Recycling

Through ultra-efficient design and the use of highly recyclable materials, Apple has minimized material waste at the product's end of life. In addition, Apple offers and participates in various product take-back and recycling programs in 95 percent of the regions where Apple products are sold. All products are processed in the country or region in which they are collected. For more information on how to take advantage of these programs, visit [www.apple.com/environment/recycling/](http://www.apple.com/environment/recycling/).

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## Definitions

**Electronic Product Environmental Assessment Tool (EPEAT):** A program that ranks computers and displays based on environmental attributes in accordance with IEEE 1680. For more information, visit [www.epeat.net](http://www.epeat.net).

**Greenhouse gas emissions:** Estimated emissions are calculated in accordance with guidelines and requirements as specified by ISO 14040 and ISO 14044. Calculation includes emissions from the following life cycle phases contributing to Global Warming Potential (GWP 100 years) in CO<sub>2</sub> equivalency factors (CO<sub>2</sub>e):

- **Production:** Includes the extraction, production, and transport of raw materials as well as the manufacture of the product, and product packaging.
- **Transport:** Includes air and sea transportation of the finished product and its associated packaging from the manufacturing site to continental distribution hubs. Transport of products from distribution hubs to the end customer is not included.
- **Use:** User power consumption assumes a four-year period. Consumption patterns are modeled according to European Commission and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency computer eco-design studies. Geographic differences in the power grid mix have been accounted for at a continental level.
- **Recycling:** Includes transportation from collection hubs to recycling centers as well as the energy used in mechanical separation and shredding of parts.

**Energy efficiency terms:** The energy values in this report are based on the ENERGY STAR Program Requirements for Computers Version 5.0. For more information, visit [www.energystar.gov](http://www.energystar.gov).

- **Off:** Lowest power mode of the system when it is shut down. Also referred to as Standby.
- **Idle-Display on:** System is on and has completed loading Mac OS X; the display is set to its full brightness.
- **Idle-Display off:** System is on and has completed loading Mac OS X; the display is set to sleep.
- **Sleep:** Low power state that is entered automatically after 10 minutes of inactivity (default), or by selecting Sleep from the Apple menu. Wake-on-LAN is enabled.
- **Power supply efficiency:** Average of the power supply's measured efficiency when tested at 100 percent, 50 percent, and 20 percent of the power supply's rated output power.

**Restricted substances:** Apple defines a material as BFR-free and PVC-free if it contains less than 900 parts per million (ppm) of bromine and chlorine.

1. PVC-free AC power cord is available in the United States, Canada, Mexico, Colombia, El Salvador, Guatemala, Panama, Peru, Puerto Rico, U.S. Virgin Islands, and Venezuela.
2. 27-inch iMac achieved a Gold rating from EPEAT in the United States, Canada, France, Germany, and the UK.