

BIOGAS POTENTIAL OF THE BLACK SEA REGION FROM KITCHEN WASTE KARADENİZ BÖLGESİNİN MUTFAK ATIKLARININ BİYOGAZ POTANSİYELİ

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Abstract

Today, energy demand has become one of the important problems. The rapid growth of the world population and the development of the industry have increased the need for energy. The vast majority of the world's energy needs come from natural energy sources. But the limited availability of these energy sources has led people to search for renewable energy sources. One of these renewable energy sources is biogas energy. Biogas is a gas mixture of organic substances formed by anaerobic microorganisms under anaerobic conditions at certain temperature conditions. It is flammable due to the presence of methane (CH₄) gas in average 65 % by volume in the biogas. Other gases outside the methane in the biogas are undesirable gases. Biogas purified from unwanted gasses is the natural gas used today. Biogas production gains importance in terms of disposal of organic materials. Black Sea Region in our country, due to the disadvantage of the geographical location and the lack of settlements has been very difficult to store the landfill. Biogas production in the Black Sea Region is gaining importance in terms of eliminating these wastes and obtaining energy. In this study, biogas potential of kitchen wastes of provinces in Black Sea Region was determined. The highest biogas potential of the Black Sea Region was found to be 51,163.20 m³ / day in Samsun province. The biogas potential of the kitchen wastes in the Black Sea Region was 296,015.18 m³/day.

Keywords: Biogas potential, Blacksea Region, Kitchen Wastes.

Öz

Günümüzde enerji ihtiyacı önemli problemlerden biri haline gelmiştir. Dünya nüfusunun hızlı artışı ve sanayinin gelişmesi enerji ihtiyacını artırmıştır. Dünya enerji ihtiyacının büyük çoğunluğu doğal enerji kaynaklarından sağlanmaktadır. Fakat bu enerji kaynaklarının sınırlı olması insanları yenilenebilir enerji kaynakları arayışı içerisine sokmuştur. Bu yenilenebilir enerji kaynaklarından biri de biyogaz enerjisidir. Biyogaz, organik maddelerin oksijensiz ortamda belirli sıcaklık şartlarında, anaerobik mikroorganizmalar sayesinde oluşan bir gaz karışımıdır. Biyogaz içerisinde hacimsel olarak ortalama % 65 oranında metan (CH₄) gazı bulunmasından dolayı yanıcıdır. Biyogazın içeriğindeki metan dışındaki diğer gazlar istenmeyen gazlardır. İstenmeyen gazlardan arıtılmış biyogaz günümüzde kullanılan doğal gazın yerini tutmaktadır. Biyogaz üretimi organik maddelerin bertaraf edilmesi açısından önem kazanmaktadır. Ülkemizde Karadeniz Bölgesi, coğrafi konumunun oluşturduğu dezavantajı ve yerleşim yerlerinin az olması nedeniyle mutfak çöplerini depolamak çok zor hale gelmiştir. Karadeniz Bölgesinde biyogaz üretimi bu mutfak atıklarının giderilmesi ve enerji elde edilmesi açısından önem kazanmaktadır. Bu çalışmada Karadeniz Bölgesindeki illerin mutfak atıklarından oluşabilecek biyogaz potansiyeli belirlenmiştir. Karadeniz Bölgesinin en fazla biyogaz potansiyeli 51.163,20 m³/gün olarak Samsun iline ait olduğu bulunmuştur. Karadeniz Bölgesinin mutfak atıklarından üretilebilecek biyogaz potansiyeli ise 296.015,18 m³/gün olarak bulunmuştur.

Anahtar kelimeler: Biyogaz Potansiyeli, Karadeniz Bölgesi, Mutfak atıkları

1 Introduction

Our country is among the developing countries as it is in many countries. One of the basic requirements for achieving the level of developed countries is to produce our own energy. But the increasing energy shortage in our country affects the development of the country negatively. The world supplies the vast majority of its energy needs from natural energy fuels and from fossil fuels. But these fuels are about to run out because they are limited in nature. Since world energy needs increase by an average of 5% each year and a large proportion of the energy source used is natural energy sources, the world countries have searched for new energy sources [1-2].

In terms of renewable energy sources, our country has great potential. Among these energy sources, biogas is one of the energies that have a very high potential in our country [3]. The energy need of our country is rapidly increasing due to rapid economic and industrial development. Energy need of Turkey will be doubled between 2000 and 2010 and five times bigger between 2000 and 2015 [3]. This proves that energy consumption is increasing. For this reason, our country should

be directed to different energy sources. An alternative source to these different energy sources is biogas. Our country has a very favorable and rich source for biogas production.

Biogas; It is a mixture of odorless, colorless and flammable gas which can be produced from oxygen, anaerobic environment from human, animal and plant organic wastes. Biogas is not a pure gas. It contains 55-70% methane (CH₄), 30-40% carbon dioxide (CO₂), 1-5% hydrogen sulphide (H₂S) and traces of oxygen (O₂), carbon monoxide (CO), nitrogen (N₂), hydrogen (H₂) gases. The thermal value of the biogas is 4700-6000 kcal/m³ [4-5]. Biogas attracts attention because it is a good fuel type due to the formation of clean energy and its thermal properties. Biogas is generally used in lighting, electricity generation, heating, internal combustion engines, etc. It can even be used in biogas-powered engines without any modification. The nature of the biogas is similar to that of its natural features [6]. Table 1 shows some properties of biogas and other gases. If this table is examined it turns out that biogas is not very different from other flammable gases.

1.1. Biogas Production Microbiology

Biogas is the formation of CH₄, CO₂ and some other gases by decaying organic substances in an oxygen-free environment under certain conditions, as indicated below. Biogas formed by the decomposition of organic materials in anaerobic environment is provided by mixed and various microbiological flora [7]. Microbiological decay consists of 3 different stages. These steps;

- **Fermentation and Hydrolysis:** Organic substances are broken down by hydrolytic and fermentative bacteria, forming acetic acid, volatile organic compounds and carbon dioxide.

- **Acetic acid formation:** A number of bacterial groups convert acetic acid to volatile fatty acids resulting from the fermentation and hydrolysis stages.

- **Methane gas formation:** The last stage of oxygen free fermentation. Methane bacteria at this stage convert products formed in the course of acetic acid formation into products such as methane, carbon dioxide and water [8]. Biogas formation is completed at the end of this phase.

Biogas production in terms of the installation of biogas plants varies according to the intended purpose. Biogas plants also vary according to their capacity. Those with a capacity of 6-12 m³ are called family type, 50-150 m³ with a capacity of farm type, and those with a capacity of 100-200 m³ are called village type biogas plant. However, countries such as Germany, Denmark, Sweden and the United States use higher capacity industrial biogas plants of 1000-10000 m³ [8]. Biogas production is now widely used in urban wastewater treatment plants and increasingly to eliminate organic wastes such as agricultural wastes, animal wastes [9]. Generally in biogas plants, the produced gas is converted directly into electricity by means of a generator. In Figure 1 this is implicitly expressed.

Plant yield during biogas production; Several components such as C/N ratio, mixing speed, pH, temperature, loading rate, toxic substances and waiting time in the reactor are affected. The values of these components vary depending on the structure of the plant [10].

Biogas can be used as a result of small changes in the lighting, heating, electric energy production, without any special equipment for use in production of electricity [11]. When biogas is mixed with air at a ratio of 1/7, combustion is fully realized [12]. At the same time, biogas can be used directly for heating in furnaces and hearths, as well as biogas in thermosiphons and water heaters. The biogas needs to be increased by about 2.5-3 times the diameter of the nozzle for combustion in LPG furnaces and water heaters [12].

According to Alçiçek and Demirulus (1994), the amount of biogas needed for cooking purposes is 0.3 m³ per person per day. The amount of heat provided by 1 m³ of biogas equals 0.62 liters of gasoline, 1.46 kg of wood carpets, 3.48 kg of ozone, 0.43 kg of butane gas, 12.4 kg of artillery, 1.18 m³ of gasoline, 1 liter of alcohol, 0.8 liters of benzene [13].



Figure 1: Energy production from organic waste [26].

Anaerobic bacteria require 20 % less nitrogen and phosphorus than aerobic bacteria. In anaerobic processes, chemical oxygen demand (COD) is often used instead of carbon. Likewise, total organic carbon (TOC) can also pass. COD: N: P ratio is defined for anaerobic processes. This ratio should be 100: 2: 0.2. This ratio can be taken as 1.000: 5: 1 for low yield and 350: 5: 1 for high yield [14].

Table 1: Fuel values of some gases [15].

Fuel type	Heat value of the fuel (kJ / kg)	Air / fuel ratio mixed in the flue (g/g)
Methane gas	50000	17.2
Propane gas	46300	15.6
Butane gas	45600	15.6
Natural gas	57500	17.0
LPG	46000	15.5
Biogas (60% methane)	18000	10.2

Table 1 shows the thermal value of biogas and similar gases. The thermal value of 1 kg of biogas with 60% methane gas is 18000 kJ.

The most important nutrients in the anaerobic fermentation process are nitrogen, carbon and phosphorus compounds. Besides these, the methanogens need copper, zinc, cobalt, nickel, iron, magnesium, calcium, potassium, sulfur and vitamins. In animal wastes, the medium is suitable. However, in some vegetal wastes or systems produced from domestic wastes, additional nutrient medium may be needed [16]. Although hydrolytic bacteria are not greatly affected by deficiencies in the nutrient media, methanogen bacteria can be affected even by a lack of nutrients [17]. In anaerobic fermentation, the amount of some mineral substances affects anaerobic bacteria. In Table 2, some anaerobic microorganisms have been given inhibition levels for anaerobic fermentation [18].

Table 2: Toxic value limits of some minerals in anaerobic fermentation

Anaerobic process inhibiting minerals	Blocking levels (mg / L)
Sodium (Na ⁺)	3500 - 60000
Sodium chloride (NaCl)	40000
Sulphate (SO ₄ ²⁻)	5000
Copper (Cu ²⁺)	100-300
Nitrate (N)	0.05
Magnesium (Mg ²⁺)	1000 - 2400

The rate of formation of biogas from the fermenter and the ratio of CO_2/CH_4 in the biogas alkalinity and pH are important. The acidity of the mixture in the fermenter is defined as the amount of acid required to make the pH 4. The higher the value of the alkalinity value, the higher the cushioning power of the system. A decrease in the alkalinity value or an increase in the amount of carbon dioxide in the gas is a measure of the degradation of the anaerobic process equilibrium prior to the fall of pH [19]. For anaerobic fermentation, the range of 1.000-5000 CaCO_3 mg/L is sufficient for anaerobic fermentation [20].

The pH range suitable for methanogens is 6.8 to 7.2 [21]. The decrease of pH below 6.6 significantly reduces methanogen activity. While a decrease of 6.2 means toxic effect. Acid production continues at this pH and yields continue until the acid bacteria have a pH value of 4.5-5.0 [22].

At the beginning of anaerobic fermentation, the pH level has been reported to decrease by up to 6. This is due to the acidification phase. The methanogens is then counterbalanced at 7-7.5, increasing the pH level in parallel with the increase in ammonia concentration [23]. In anaerobic systems, if the pH value falls below 7, lime or ash may be added to bring the pH to equilibrium, but acid addition should not be done when the pH is above 7. Because, H_2S accumulation can increase in the nature[24].



Figure 2: Biogas flame [1].

In Figure 2, the combustion of biogas is given visually. This color is a bright blue color. At some burns, this blue color starts to form in flames like yellow and red. This event proves that water vapor is in the biogas.



Figure 3: Biogas used for heating in the greenhouses [2]

In Figure 3, an example of using biogas for heating in the greenhouse sector is given. Thus, biogas burning in the greenhouse is beneficial for plants both in terms of carbon dioxide and heat.

In term of climate change, rapid economic growth in Turkey, due to industrialization and urbanization of experienced environmental pressures, new regulations are implemented. Growth is in line with a 6% increase in annual primary energy demand and a 125% increase in CO_2 equivalent emissions from 1990 to 2014. In addition, a rapid increase in population and Turkey has urbanization. Share of urban population in total population Increased from 70.7 to 73.4 million from 2010 to 2015, urbanization rate increased by 1.97% in the same period. The urbanized population is expected to reach 71 million by 2023. The negative impact of climate change adds to these challenges and calls for efforts that can effectively tackle related problem [25].

The most biogas/methane producing substances are organic fats, proteins and carbohydrates, respectively. Proteins and oils cause high methane content, while oxidized components such as sugars causes low methane content. During fermentation, carbohydrates change by about 13 %, proteins by 36% and fats by about 76 %. Proteins and oils can ferment longer than carbohydrates. The cellulosic fermentation lasts several weeks. Hemicellulose, fat and protein are fermented for several days, sugar, volatile fatty acids and alcohol in a few hours. Biogas can be obtained by placing different materials in the feed material. For example, it has been observed that when the feed material is mixed with charcoal, the yield is increased by 17% while producing biogas from cattle manure. To accelerate bacterial activation in the same way, saponify steroid materials obtained from plants are also used to increase biogas yield. Increase biogas production by adding glycerin provided that the anaerobic fermentation of protein dense materials does not exceed 6%. Likewise, it has been reported that adding calcium to feed material up to 3 g/L improves biogas yield but slows production at high rates, such as 5-7 g/L, when raw materials such as pork waste with high fat content are studied [26]. Efficiency in biogas systems is calculated using four approaches. In the first approach, the daily biogas yield per reactor volume is taken into account. Secondly, the amount of methane contained in the biogas obtained is important. Thirdly, it is considered how much m^3 of biomass is obtained per kg-VS (volatile solid) or kg-COD of feed material. Finally, it is the criterion based on kg-VS or kg-COD, which eliminates the feed material. Gas production amount is $0.45 \text{ m}^3 / \text{kg-VS}$, VS removal rate is 0.54 kg.VS/kg.VS . The most efficient anaerobic reactor is 2.5 m^3 of biogas/day [27].

The biogas potential calculation is important in terms of energy recovery and waste disposal. In a study, determined the biogas potential of Ardahan city to be produced from animal wastes and an annual energy value of 322.6 GWh of organic waste was determined [28]. In recent years, studies revealed that biomass energy potential is 9.5 GW in Turkey [29]. In the study which is done in Erdil and Erbiyik, it has defended that Turkey has rich biomass energy and this biomass energy potential will be evaluated [30]. In another study, Turkey's renewable and yearly energy potential of biomass was estimated at respectively 17.2 and 32.6 Mtoe [31]. In 2018, in a study Turkey's biogas potential of cattle manure 107.8 PJ/year, biogas potential of chicken manure 36.5 PJ/year, while the biogas potential of agricultural waste

305.3 PJ/year that was reported [32]. Here, it is emphasized that Turkey is a significant amount of energy by plants in addition to animal manure. Şenol reported the biogas potential of hazelnut wastes in Giresun province as 3,176,636 m³/year in 2019 [33]. In 2011, it was emphasized that Turkey's existing biogas potential of 49 PJ. 68% of this potential has been reported to be cattle manure, 5% sheep and 27% chicken manure [3]. In one study, Turkey's total biogas potential of municipal solid waste, energy crops, animal manure and wastewater sewage sludge have been determined as 188.21 TWh / year [29]. Gürdi and Karaca [34] found the biogas potential of Samsun city to be 135 GWh/year. Goktas et al. [35] The biogas potential of Kırıkkale city from cattle manure was 91.8 MWh/year, while Öztürk and Kılıçkan [36] found that the biogas potential of Aydın's plant and animal wastes was 13 PJ/year in 2016. Turkey has often emphasized in the literature that has great potential in terms of renewable energy. In theory, however, this potential needs to be studied more specifically in practice. That is, specifying the country's potential can only raise awareness of energy savings, but the biogas plant needs to exist only where the energy potential is high. Therefore, biogas potentials should be determined as regions or provinces.

The aim of this study was to emphasize the biogas potential of kitchen wastes of the Black Sea region, which was omitted in the literature. In our country, Black Sea Region is very inadequate in terms of disposal of Kitchen Waste. For this reason, the amount of waste in the Black Sea region and the biogas and electricity energy value that can be produced from these wastes are emphasized in this study.

2 Material and Method

It was emphasized above that biogas can be produced from all organic materials. Our country has a great potential for urban solid wastes. The daily amount of solid waste per capita in our country is approximately 1.2 kg. 60 % of these wastes are organic wastes and 34 % are kitchen wastes [33]. In Figure 4, the % distribution of these wastes is given in detail. For this reason, the evaluation of these wastes gains importance especially in the Black Sea Region because of the low storage areas of the garbage, the disposal of the garbage into the sea. Although 34 % of municipal solid waste is kitchen waste, 60% is organic waste. Figure 4 shows the distribution of urban solid wastes by type [38].

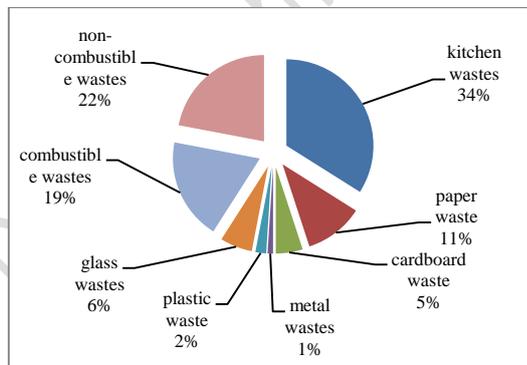


Figure 4: Percentage distribution of municipal solid waste by type.

In the Black Sea region; Artvin, Rize, Bayburt, Trabzon, Gümüşhane, Giresun, Ordu, Tokat, Samsun, Amasya, Çorum, Sinop, Kastamonu, Karabük, Bartın, Zonguldak, Bolu and Düzce. Kitchen waste collected mainly from the central and

coastal areas does not have a regular landfill site because of the geographical location of these illusions, the mountains parallel to the seas and the absence of flat settlements. For this reason, it is important to dispose of garbage in our country especially in the Black Sea region. One of these disposal methods is biogas production. In terms of biogas production, our country is far behind other countries. The aims of preventing this pollution in the Black Sea cities are insufficient and air pollution is occurring. In some of these cases biogas plants have been established, but not enough.

In Table 3 some organic wastes are given theoretical biogas formation potential. When biogas potential calculations are made, theoretical values are generally used. However, the difference in this study is not based on theoretical values, but on the information obtained from experimental and previous plant data. For this reason, a more realistic biogas formation potential is obtained.

Table 3: Biogas production of some organic wastes

Organic matter type	Biogas production (m ³ / ton)	References
Solid cattle manure	33	[39]
Agricultural waste	20	[40]
Poultry manure	78	[39]
Kitchen waste	42	[42]

2.1 Calculation of theoretical biogas potential of kitchen wastes

The biomass assumptions and experimental approaches used in the calculations in KTBL Faust Zahlen 2007 [42]:

- 40 % total solid, 50 % organic total solids.
- Biogas yield: 42 m³/ton kitchen waste, (59-60 % methane yield). The methane content of the biogas was calculated by multiplying by 0.595 coefficient.

The average methane value per ton of kitchen waste / biofuels is 25 m³.

- The electricity value of 1 m³ of methane is about 4.00 kWh [33] (actual value).

The total biogas potential of kitchen waste was calculated according to Eq (1).

$$TBP_i = \sum AAOM_i \times EP_i \quad (1)$$

Where: TBP is total biogas potential (m³/year); AAOM is annual amount of organic matter (t/year); EP is energy potential of waste (m³/ton) (The EP value for the kitchen waste is 25 m³ / ton).

According to Senol [33] 10 kWh is assumed to equal 1 m³ CH₄. The potential to generate electricity from biogas was calculated according to Eq. (2).

$$E_{\text{biogas}} = E_{\text{biogas}} \times \eta \quad (2)$$

Where E_{biogas} is the amount of electricity produced in biogas (kWh/year); E_{biogas} is biogas unconverted raw energy in biogas (kWh / year) and electricity of biogas; the quantity may vary depending on the power. In one study, the value of η was equal to 40%. [33] In this study, this value was determined to be 0.4.

3 Results and Discussion

The table 4 shows the population of each city in the Black Sea region and the daily amount of solid waste per capita. In the Samsun region, it is shown that 0.94 kg of solid waste per person per day while is 0.90 kg per day in other provinces.

Table 4: Total solid waste amount of provinces in Black Sea Region

City	Population	Amount of kitchen waste per person (kg / person. day)
Artvin	168,068	0.90
Rize	331,048	0.90
Bayburt	90,154	0.90
Trabzon	779,379	0.90
Giresun	444,467	0.90
Ordu	750,588	0.90
Gümüşhane	172,034	0.90
Tokat	602,662	0.90
Amasya	326,351	0.90
Çorum	527,863	0.90
Sinop	205,478	0.90
Kastamonu	376,945	0.90
Karabük	242,347	0.90
Bartın	192,389	0.90
Zonguldak	597,524	0.90
Bolu	299,896	0.90
Düzce	370,371	0.90
Samsun	1,295,927	0.94
Total	7,773,491	-

Table 4 gives the total population of cities in the Black Sea Region, the amount of kitchen waste, the amount of solid waste per capita and the amount of kitchen waste [38].

In Figure 5, kitchen waste quantities are calculated according to some of the Black Sea Region. The highest solid waste was found to belong to Samsun region. According to the calculations, the amount of solid waste generated by the Black Sea Region is approximately 7047.97 tons per day.

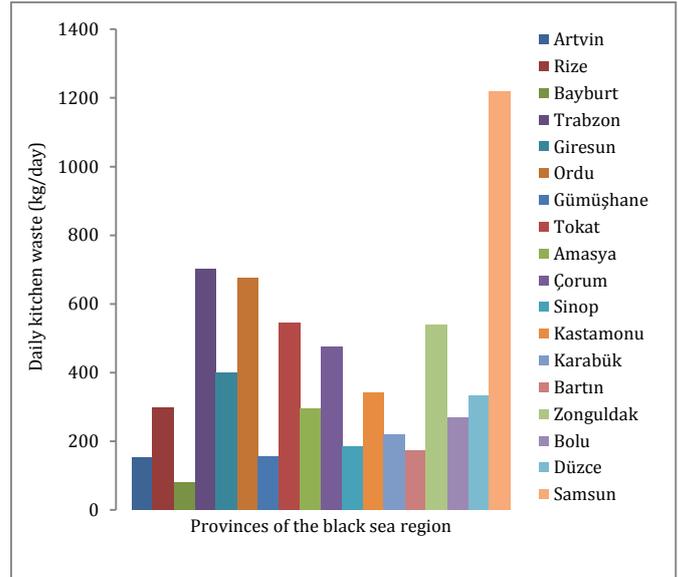


Figure 5: Kitchen waste amount of cities in the Black Sea region (kg / day)

As seen in table 4, the solid wastes generated by the countries in the Black Sea Region of our country are calculated on average. Wastes with a total of approximately 7047.97 ton/day affect both global pollution and indirect global warming. The disposal of the wastes in the Black Sea Region is also important in this respect.

The majority of the settlements of the Black Sea Region consist of mountainous terrain. For this reason, the settlements are erratic. This irregularity affects regular solid waste management. For this reason, sometimes the frequency of not collecting garbage can cause air pollution. Besides, these wastes interact with the sea because of the fact that these garbage storage places are not even in the garbage collecting places and the places where they are located are near the sea. This interaction creates air and sea pollution. This is a very bad situation both in terms of human health in coastal areas and in reducing marine biodiversity. For this reason, it is necessary to investigate and improve the methods of disposing of trash in the coastal areas of our country. One of these disposal methods is the biogas plant that will be installed on the garbage fields. There are biogas plants in some of the Black Sea Region, but not enough production is done. The reason for this is the new meeting of our country with the biogas facilities. Methane gas has a global warming of 23 times higher than carbon dioxide over a period of 100 years [39]. This means that 1 metric ton of methane is equivalent to 23 metric tons of carbon dioxide emissions. Therefore, the methane or biogas potential calculated regionally creates awareness for the environment.

Table 5: Potential biogas potential of kitchen waste from the Black Sea Region

City	Amount of organic waste (ton / day)	Biogas potential (m ³ / day)	Methane potential (m ³ / day)	Biogas energy value (kWh/day)
Artvin	151.26	6352.97	3780.02	15,120.07
Rize	297.94	12,513.61	7445.60	29,782.40
Bayburt	81.14	3407.82	2027.65	8110.61
Trabzon	701.44	29,460.53	17,529.01	70,116.05
Giresun	400.02	16,800.85	9996.51	39,986.03
Ordu	675.53	28,372.23	16,881.47	67,525.90
Gümüşhane	154.83	6502.89	3869.22	15,476.87
Tokat	542.40	22,780.62	13,554.47	54,217.88
Amasya	293.72	12,336.07	7339.96	29,359.84
Çorum	475.08	19,953.22	11,872.17	47,488.67
Sinop	184.93	7767.07	4621.41	18,485.62
Kastamonu	339.25	14,248.52	8477.87	33,911.48
Karabük	218.11	9160.72	5450.63	21,802.51
Bartın	173.15	7272.30	4327.02	17,308.08
Zonguldak	537.77	22,586.40	13,438.91	53,755.65
Bolu	269.90	11,336.07	6744.96	26,979.84
Düzce	333.33	14,000.02	8330.01	33,320.06
Samsun	1218.17	51,163.20	30,442.10	121,768.41
Total	7047.97	296,015.18	176,128.99	704,515.98

Table 5 shows biogas potential and the total daily organic kitchen waste amounts of the Black Sea Region's. As can be seen from the above, a total of 7047.97 tons of kitchen waste per day is formed in the Black Sea Region. The total daily biogas potential that these wastes can produce is 296,015.18 m³. 59.5% of this value is equal to methane gas. This energy value corresponds to the electricity value of 704.52 MWh which can be produced daily.

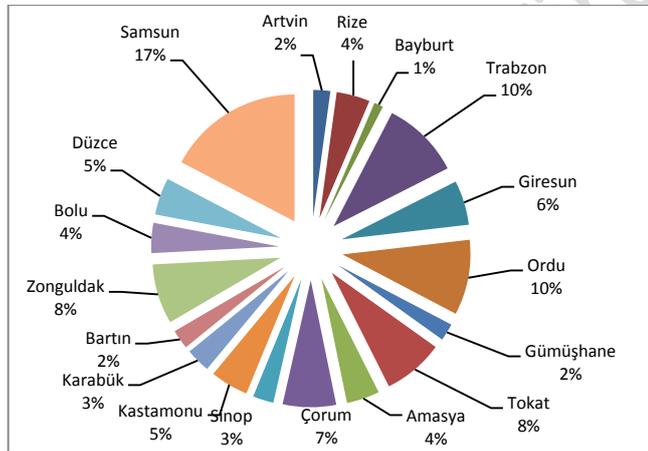


Figure 6: Distribution of annual methane data among cities

Figure 6 shows the distribution of methane potentials of the provinces in the Black Sea region. Samsun has the highest methane potential with a rate of 17%. The cities with the highest methane potential after Samsun are Trabzon and Ordu with a rate of 10%.

Biogas conversion of biomass is in domestic use as well as heat and electricity production by cogeneration technique can be a great economic value. In addition, organic fertilizer is obtained in liquid form as a result of biogas production. The resulting fertilizer can be applied directly to the field as a liquid, granulated or allowed to dry to dry. The advantage of organic

fermentation after fermentation is that most of the pathogenic microorganisms are destroyed as a result of anaerobic fermentation and that the organic fermentation result is 10 % more efficient. Thus, evaluation of kitchen waste by anaerobic biotechnology reduces environmental pollution and promotes environmentally friendly energy production [43].

Figure 7 shows the annual energy value in MWh by calculating the biogas energy value and methane content generated by the Black Sea Region provinces according to the amount of waste. Provinces with annual energy potential exceeding 15,000 MWh were Trabzon, Ordu, Tokat, Çorum, Zonguldak and Samsun. According to these results, energy and cost calculations of biogas plants can be made.

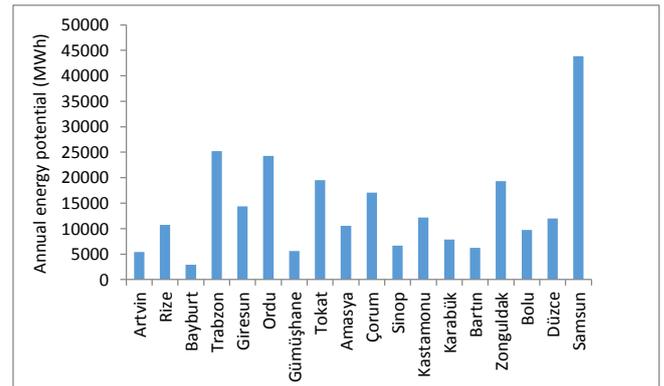


Figure 7: Annual energy value of Black Sea region by provinces

Studies on Turkey's potential for further calculations were made in different cities. [28] The biogas potential of bovine and ovine fertilizers in the of Ardahan city was found to be 322.4 GWh/year. In this study, the biogas potential of the cities in the Black Sea region corresponds to 257 GWh/year. the falling value of daily electricity consumption per capita in Turkey is 2,791 kWh [44]. Considering this value, the calculated biogas potentials provide a significant saving.

4 Conclusions and Recommendations

Biogas energy has a very important place in terms of our country. Biogas can't cover all of our energy needs, but it allows us to save a lot of energy. Our country has a very rich value in terms of biogas production potential. In this article, the contribution to biogas potential and energy saving which can be formed from kitchen waste of Black Sea Region was calculated.

The region that is experiencing the biggest garbage storage areas in our country is the Black Sea Region. As the geographical position of settlements in the Black Sea Region, the mountains extend parallel to the sea. For this reason, the level of land is very small. Kitchen wastes emerging in the Black Sea Region are carried to garbage fields and pollute the environment. This causes the storage areas of the garbage to be insufficient and the storage of the garbage to occur. Due to the growing population in our country, the amount of garbage is also increasing. For this reason, the storage areas of garbage will increase in the coming years. So it is inevitable that the garbage will be poured into the sea. Even in the Black Sea Region some of the garbage is poured into the sea. This situation causes a great environmental pollution. For this reason, this garbage should definitely be recycled and disposed of.

The best way to dispose of organic wastes from garbage is to produce biogas by anaerobic fermentation. As a result of this production, organic fertilizer is formed as a by-product. This proves that the garbage has become useful to us.

From an economic point of view, biogas requires a high initial cost and is therefore an expensive alternative energy source. The small-scale biogas plant can pay off for 8-10 months when it is operated efficiently [45]. However, one study found that a large biogas plant working with cattle manure pays for itself in 5 years. [46] In this article, the biogas value of organic solid wastes of each of the Black Sea Region's illicit sources has been determined. From these values, province Samsun, which has the highest potential of biogas, and Bayburt, which has the least biogas potential were found. The total energy potential of the Black Sea Region, which can only be produced from organic wastes, is 704,515.98 kWh/day. It is accepted that the value of 1 kWh is approximately 0.53 TL [47]. If all of the kitchen wastes in the Black Sea Region are evaluated, daily income is 373, 393 billion TL. This value is very important in the waste assessment policy. However, financing is needed above all to establish the plant. This fund can be provided with state-funded loans. In many countries, programs have been launched considering the environmental and health benefits of biogas technology. Incentives and credits can apply to reduce costs and expand biogas systems.

Turkey's energy potential of biomass; 120 Mtoe (Million Tonnes of Oil Equivalent) as natural capacity, 50 Mtoe as technical capacity and 32 Mtoe as economic potential [48]. Biomass energy supply including wastes has been 7208 ktoe (thousand tonnes of oil equivalent) in 1990, 7068 ktoe in 1995 and 6457 ktoe in 2000 [49]. Available in classic and modern biomass energy production in Turkey is planned in 2010 to around 7414 ktoe. This value for 2020 is 7520 ktoe and for 2030 is 8205 ktoe [48]. This suggests that an important source of biomass energy plants in Turkey. Considering the climatic conditions and production facilities; low investment costs, high efficiency and easy installation,

operation and maintenance for the design of biogas systems will enable the development of biogas technology in Turkey.

Turkey's rapid growth has also brought with it the energy needs of the population. Turkey is required to determine the potential of renewable energy before if there is this need to turn to renewable energy. Turkey must first determine renewable energy sources to increase the use of renewable energy sources. For this, the energy potential of regions and cities should be determined. A feasibility report is prepared for biogas energy potentials which are one of the renewable energy sources. A biogas production facility is established if the potential energy costs are higher. In this study, biogas potential calculation of kitchen wastes in the Black Sea region was performed. Thus, a resource was created for the feasibility reports to be prepared for plant installation.

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