



Letters

Meat is murder for the planet

Sir – Cutting out **meat** could drastically reduce your **carbon** footprint, with meat-eaters' diets responsible for almost twice the emissions of those of **vegetarians**, according to a German study.

A diet with **meat** is responsible for producing in a year the same amount of greenhouse gases as driving a mid-sized car 4,758 kilometres (Institute for Ecological Economy Research).

The calculations are based on emissions of greenhouse gases, including methane produced by the animals, as well as emissions from the production of food.

If you want to save the planet – start with your plate.

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