

Britain's Gas Explained

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Monthly Highlights

- A mild and wet March saw a 3% month-on-month decrease in gas being used across Britain, and meant less gas was used this March than any other March since Britain's Gas Explained began in 2020!
- There was a drop in share of supply for Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) from 19% to 7% as fewer boats delivered cargoes to the UK. This was down to several factors such as cargo from Qatar being reduced because of Houthi attacks in the Red Sea, Suppliers favouring the higher prices for gas in Asia and little in the way of exports to Europe. The UKCS (UK Continental Shelf) and Norway share of supply into the UK, in turn, rose from 73% to 82%.
- The share of demand figures stayed much the same as February, although the 70% share for Local Distribution Zones (mostly domestic properties) is the highest seen since February 2022.

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Where has our gas come from?



Entry Points

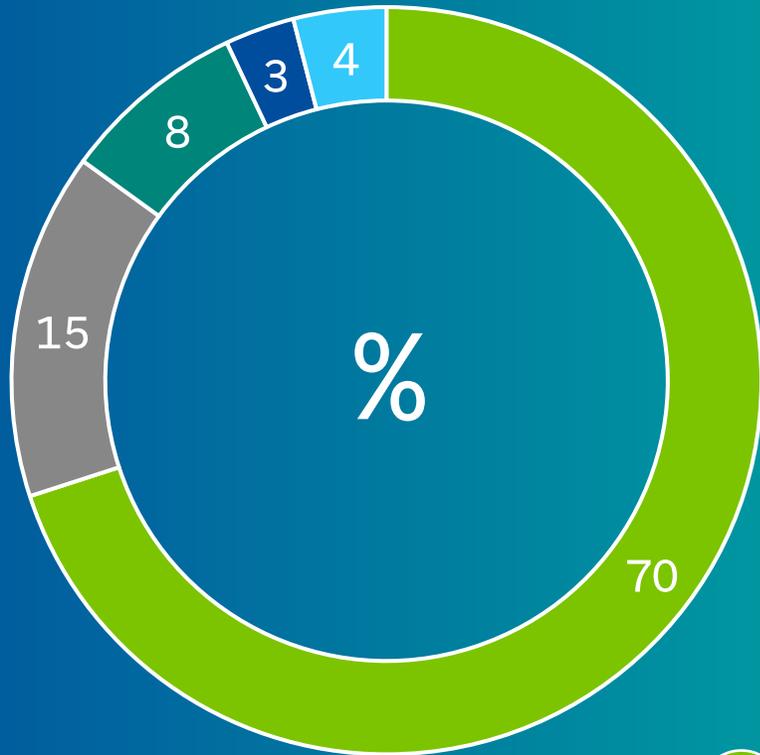
- ◆ UK/Norwegian Gas Fields
- ◆ LNG Imports
- ◆ European Imports
- ◆ Storage Withdrawal

	change from previous month
82%	↑ 9%
7%	↓ 12%
1%	↑ 1%
10%	↑ 2%

 More Info

- Natural Gas is cooled into liquid form where it can be transported via ships around the world.
- UK and Norwegian offshore gas fields supply gas to our network.
- Gas in storage is delivered from multiple sites across the UK, primarily onshore gas reservoirs and salt caverns.

Where is our gas used?



- Distribution Networks
- Power Stations
- EU & Ireland* Exports
- Industrial
- Storage

change from previous month

↑ 1%

↓ 1%

0%

↑ 1%

↓ 1%

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- 1 Gas can leave our transmission network into distribution networks which supply houses, factories, offices, power stations, hospitals etc.
- 2 Some power stations and industrial plants are connected directly to our transmission network.
- 3 Exports to Ireland* refer to the whole isle of Ireland incl. Northern Ireland.

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Stats Spotlight

3.6 million years

The length of time Wembley Arch could be continually lit up using the same amount of energy in gas that Britain used in March (72 billion kWh)!

10%

The daily average decrease in gas used across Britain compared to February.