

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR THE ENVIRONMENT
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ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON MONDAY 15TH NOVEMBER 2021**

Question

Will the Minister advise whether records are maintained of the number of households that use gas for their home heating requirements; if so, will he state how many households in the Island do so and, of these, how many such households are in the social housing sector and how many are in the private rental sector?

Answer

Specific formal records regarding the number of households using gas for heating requirements (and the split of these across housings sectors) are not maintained.

However, the [Jersey Energy Trends Report](#) (page 11), published in 2019, notes that only 5% of all households in the Island use gas. Additionally, enquiries were made earlier this year with the social housing trusts. Across all the portfolios there are only 158 homes that still have gas. However, while a majority of these use gas for their heating, a small number only use it for hot water

The International Energy Group (parent company of Jersey Gas) have advised that there are less than 3,000 households with an Active Meter assigned to a Central Heating tariff where Gas consumption has been recorded in the last 12 months to 31st October 2021:

Please note the following caveats for the data provided

- Noted “household” in question has been interpreted as JG’s concept of “properties”
- A customer only using a hob on a central heating tariff after switching to electric / oil for central heating will be included in this number.
- Conversely, any customers on a standard tariff and not taking advantage of our economy 24 tariff will again not be included.
- Information on the split between social housing, private rental and privately owned is not maintained.

The Carbon Neutral Roadmap is currently under development and due to be published before the end of this year. It will outline carbon reduction policies. This follows on from the [Carbon Neutral Strategy](#), published in 2019, which committed the Government to a fair transition with the strategic principle of our carbon reduction policies not worsening the island’s income inequality overall.