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The latest provisional monthly energy production, consumption and prices statistics produced by the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy were released on 27 August 2020.

Energy production and consumption statistics are provided in total and by fuel and provide an analysis of the latest 3 months data compared to the same period a year earlier. Energy price statistics cover domestic price indices, prices of road fuels and petroleum products and comparisons of international road fuel prices.

Energy production and consumption

Highlights for the 3-month period April 2020 to June 2020, compared to the same period a year earlier include:

- **Primary energy consumption in the UK on a fuel input basis fell by 22% with a noticeable reduction in petroleum consumption as demand for transport fuels fell due to the Covid-19 pandemic lockdown from 23 March 2020; low sales of transport fuels contributed to an overall record low of monthly energy consumption in May 2020. On a temperature adjusted basis consumption fell by 17%. ([table ET 1.2](#) and [table ET 3.13](#))**
- **Indigenous energy production up by 3.1%, with rises in gas, bioenergy, wind, solar and hydro output but falls in output from coal, oil and nuclear. ([table ET 1.1](#))**
- **Electricity generation by Major Power Producers down 14%, with coal down 20% due to no coal burnt in Great Britain from 10 April until 16 June 2020 and gas down 33%, whilst renewables up by 15%. * ([table ET 5.4](#))**
- **Gas provided 38.6% of electricity generation by Major Power Producers, with renewables at 38.5%, nuclear at 21.4% and coal at 0.7%.* ([table ET 5.4](#))**
- **Low carbon share of electricity generation by Major Power Producers up 10.8 percentage points to 59.9%, whilst fossil fuel share of electricity generation stood at 39.4%.* ([table ET 5.4](#))**

*Major Power Producers (MPPs) data published monthly, all generating companies data published quarterly.

Energy prices

Highlights for August 2020 compared to July 2020:

- **Petrol prices up 1.9 pence per litre on month, whilst diesel prices up 1.4 pence per litre, as the price of crude oil recovers. ([table QEP 4.1.1](#))**

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Data periods and coverage

Statistics on monthly production and consumption of coal, electricity, gas, oil and total energy include data for the UK for the period up to the end of June 2020.

Statistics on average temperatures, wind speeds, sun hours and rainfall include data for the UK for the period up to the end of July 2020.

Statistics on energy prices include retail price data for the UK for July 2020, and petrol & diesel data for August 2020, with EU comparative data for July 2020.

Next release

The next release of provisional monthly energy statistics will take place on 24 September 2020.

Data tables

To access the data tables associated with this release please click on the relevant subject link(s) below. For further information please use the contact details provided.

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<u>Oil</u>	Contact: Oil statistics , Tel: 0300 068 5101
ET 3.10	Indigenous production, refinery receipts, imports and exports
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<u>Gas</u>	Contact: Gas statistics , Tel: 0207 215 8170
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<u>Electricity</u>	Contact: Electricity statistics , Tel: 0207 215 2995
ET 5.3	Fuel used in electricity generation by major producers
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ET 5.5	Availability and consumption of electricity
<u>Weather</u>	Contact: Energy statistics , Tel: 0300 068 5041
ET 7.1	Average temperatures and heating degree days and deviations from the long-term mean
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Contact: Energy Prices statistics , Tel: 0300 068 5047	
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<u>Monthly and annual prices of road fuels and petroleum products</u>	
Contact: Energy Prices statistics , Tel: 0300 068 5047	
QEP 4.1.1	Typical retail prices of petroleum products and a crude oil price index (monthly data)
<u>International road fuel prices</u>	
Contact: Energy Prices statistics , Tel: 0300 068 5060	
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