

Updates to Energy Trends monthly gas tables

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The Department currently publishes Energy Trends Table 4.2 (Natural gas production and supply), a monthly table which includes some limited data on the 'downstream' gas industry such as gas transmitted by the National Transmission System. We also publish monthly Table 4.3, Natural gas imports and exports and Table 4.4 Natural gas imports which shows a greater disaggregation of monthly import data.

As part of work to improve our data quality and dissemination, this month, we have also published new versions of Tables 4.2, 4.3 and 4.4.

The new version of Table 4.2 includes new monthly data from gas suppliers on sales to domestic, industrial and services (e.g. commercial and public admin) sectors. We have also taken the opportunity to align the methodology used in this monthly table with that used in quarterly and annual tables. For more information on the methodology see Natural gas statistics: data sources and methodologies.

The changes to Table 4.2 are shown in Annex 1. Information on data series which are to be discontinued is shown in Annex 2.

The new versions of Table 4.3 and Table 4.4 include changes based on feedback we have received to remove duplication across tables. The new tables also include data in a flat file format to aid secondary analysis.

These new tables will be published as Official Statistics in Development alongside the existing tables in the coming months, whilst we continue to quality assure the data and our processes. Whilst there are no new known limitations of the data being published, the introduction of a new data collection and processes may result in more than typical¹ revisions to the new monthly estimates of sectoral sales. This is being monitored and is not expected to have a significant impact on use of the data.

During this time, we encourage users of the data to provide feedback on the new tables. This feedback alongside the outcomes of continued work on data quality will determine what changes are made, and when any data that is currently published will be discontinued with a view to make permanent changes later this year.

To provide feedback on the new tables please email gas.stats@energysecurity.gov.uk.

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¹ See Quarterly total energy data revisions



Annex 1 New Table 4.2 (Natural Gas Supply and Demand) and mapping from current Table 4.2 (Natural Gas Production and Supply)

Key no change, discontinued, move within table, new, calculation

Current 4.2 Natural Gas Production and Supply				New 4.2 Natural Gas Supply and Demand		
		Gross gas production			Gross production	
Upstream	Less	Producers own use	and	Trade	Imports	
		Exports Imports			Exports Net imports	
	Plus				(Imports – exports)	
		Net imports Gas available at terminals			Stock change	
Downstream	Plus	Biomethane injected				
		Total gas available		Transfers	Gas for synthetic gas plants	
		Gas input to transmission			Biomethane to grid	
		Operators own use			Gross supply (Gross production + imports)	
		LNG own use			Net supply (Gross production + imports – exports + stock change + transfers)	
	ress	Storage own use			Electricity generation	
		Stock change Metering differences		Sales	Domestic Industrial	
		Gas output from transmission	Demand)em	Services Producer own use	
				Energy industry	Operators own use LNG own use Storage own use	
					Other Demand	
					(Electricity generation + sales + energy industry other)	



Annex 2 Rational for data points currently published in Table 4.2 (Natural Gas Production and Supply) which are to be discontinued

Data point	Rational	
Gas available at terminals	Gas available at terminals is closely related to net gas supply which more closely follows established international reporting.	
Total gas available	Total gas available is closely related to net gas supply which more closely follows established international reporting.	
Gas input to transmission	Gas input to transmission is closely related to demand which more closely follows established international reporting.	
Metering differences	Metering differences relate to gas input to transmission and gas output from transmission. Data on losses more closely follows established international reporting and is published on a quarterly basis in Table 4.1.	
Gas output from transmission	Gas output from transmission is closely related to demand which more closely follows established international reporting.	

For more information or to raise concerns regarding data that is being discontinued please contact gas.stats@energysecurity.gov.uk.



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