

Gas Distribution

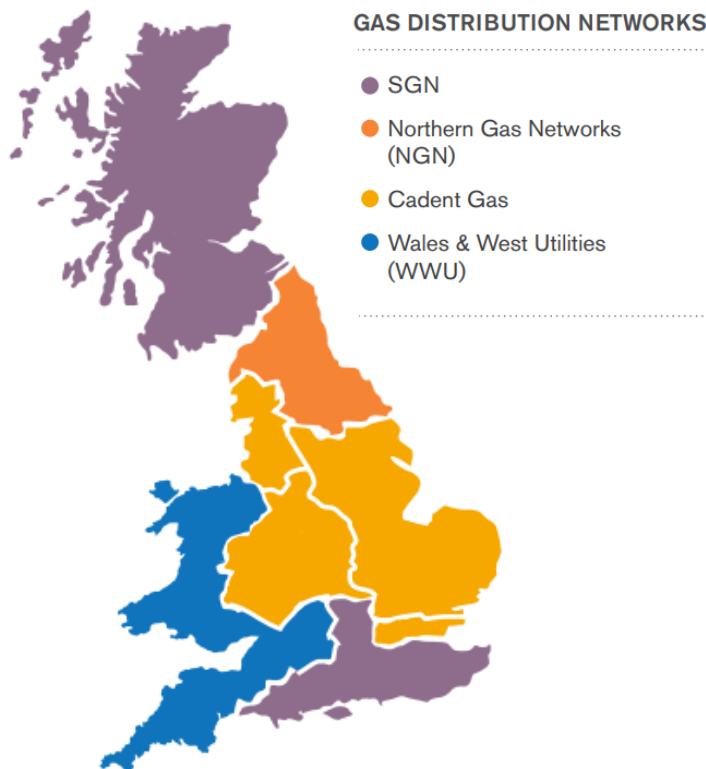
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What is Gas Distribution?

Distribution is the movement of gas from the National Transmission System (NTS) to customers. The UK's gas distribution network serves around 27 million customers in total. These customers are served by two different types of networks:

Gas Distribution Networks (GDNs)

Gas distribution in the UK is split into 8 separate geographical areas, each with their own Gas Distribution Networks (GDN). These networks are the largest gas distributors in the country. The map below shows the GDN areas and the companies that currently operate them.



Source: [ofgem-who-operates-gas-distribution-network](https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/about-us/who-operates-gas-distribution-network)

Independent Gas Transporters (IGTs)

There are also smaller Independent Gas Transporters (IGTs). They develop, operate and maintain smaller, local gas transportation/distribution networks and have similar duties to the regional gas transporters. IGTs are not limited to operating in a certain region. According to OFGEM the number of consumers connected to IGT networks is around one million.

2020 Independent Gas Transporters

- GTC Pipelines
- Independent Pipelines
- ES Pipelines
- Last Mile Gas
- Fulcrum Pipelines
- Indigo Pipelines Ltd
- Energy Assets Pipelines Ltd
- Murphy Gas Networks Ltd
- Leep Gas Networks Ltd

Source: [ofgem-independent-gas-transporters](https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/about-us/independent-gas-transporters)

Responsibilities of distributors

Gas distributors are responsible for the safe and reliable transportation of gas from the transmission network to customers, as well as maintenance and repair of their networks and connecting customers to the gas distribution network.



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