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Publication of the changes in the relevant Gas Transporters' single supply point charge and Retail Price Index, effective from 1 January 2026
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Background

Ofgem publishes the Weighted Single Supply Point (wSSP) and Retail Price Index (RPI) figures used by Independent Gas Transporters (IGTs) to adjust transportation charges each year in line with their licence obligations under Special Condition 1 of the IGT licence.

The publication sets out the wSSP and RPI figures applicable from 1 January 2026, explains how they were determined, and outlines how they should be applied.

Weighted Single Supply Point (wSSP)

The wSSP for year 2025 is the percentage change between the averages of the relevant Gas Transporters' single supply point charge of years 2024 and 2025, for each network region, where a year is defined from 1 October to 30 September, inclusive. Table 1 provides the wSSP for each of the eight network regions. The underlying calculations are described in Appendix 1.

Table 1 wSSP per region

Region	wSSP (%)
East of England	9.67
North of England	8.96
London	12.96
North West	8.08
Scotland	8.06
South of England	4.81
Wales and the West	8.26
West Midlands	9.83

Under Special Condition 1, the annual change in IGT transportation charges applied under RPC is controlled by a 5 per cent floor and ceiling. Not including the impact of the percentage uplift for RPI, this means that the maximum amount by which RPC charges can increase is 10 per cent in any one year.

Retail Price Index

The RPI is defined as the percentage change between the average of the RPI for the period 1 April to 30 September 2024 and the average of the RPI for the period 1 April to 30 September 2025.

The RPI for 2025 is **4.77 per cent**. This figure should be applied from 1 January 2026 in accordance with Special Condition 1. The underlying calculations are described in Appendix 1.

If you have any queries in relation to this letter, please do not hesitate to contact Lucinda Willis or Michael Brown at gas.systems@ofgem.gov.uk.

Yours faithfully,

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Appendix 1 – Methodology

- 1.1 This appendix illustrates the calculations underlying the values of weighted average of the relevant Gas Transporters' single supply point charge (wSSP) and the change in the Retail Price Index (RPI) to be applied from 1 January 2026 in accordance with Special Condition 1 of the IGTs' licences.
- 1.2 This methodology uses a consistent approach in calculating the wSSP and RPI.

The change in the weighted average of the relevant Gas Transporters' single supply point charge (wSSP)

- 1.3 The wSSP for year 2025 is determined as the percentage change between the average single supply point (SSP) charge (based on unit rates) for the period from 1 October 2023 to 30 September 2024 and the average SSP charge for the period from 1 October 2024 to 30 September 2025.
- 1.4 Stakeholders can understand the SSP charges by using the relevant <u>Joint Office</u> <u>transportation charge calculator</u> and enter the following inputs shown in table A1.1.

Table A1.1: Joint Office transportation charge calculator

Question	Enter	
Where are you entering gas?	National Balancing Point (NBP)	
Where are you transporting gas to?	Distribution/CSEP connected load	
Additional Information	Enter post code	
Distribution Network Details	Will automatically populate	
;Distribution CSEP/Connected loads ?/– please specify the site type	Non Daily metered, Non CSEP	
Is the site monthly read?	No	
Annual AQ kWh/annum (AQ)	12,000 (from 1 October 2022 – 30 September 2023) 11,500 (from 1 October 2023)	
% of AQ in winter period	Enter load factor for your LDZ	
Peak day usage calculation method	EUC code	
Select EUC Code	As suggested by the calculator	

- 1.5 The input figures are updated in accordance with the following measures:
 - Annual quantity (AQ) the medium gas kWh is used for this calculation as per Ofgem's current published average domestic consumption kWh: Typical Domestic Consumption Values (TDCV). The prevailing TDCV value (11,500kWh) was published on 25 May 2023 and took effect on 1 October 2023 so it should be used to calculate the average SSP charge for the period from 1 October 2023 until updated. The previous TDCV of 12,000kWh was used to calculate the average SSP charge for the period from 1 October 2022 to 30 September 2023.
 - Load factor as available via Xoserve and within the Joint Office calculator.
 - 1.6 The SSP unit rate charge is calculated for each of the eight network regions. The SSP unit rates as shown in Table A1.2 are derived from averaging charges across exit zones within each of the network regions.¹
 - 1.7 The calculations were performed for the two relevant periods, 1 October 2023 to 30 September 2024 and 1 October 2024 to 30 September 2025. The percentage change between these two periods within each network region gives the wSSP in Table 1 and Table A1.2.

Table A1.2: 2025 wSSP Unit Charge

Region	Unit rate Oct 23 – Sept 24	Unit rate Oct 24 – Sept 25	wSSP(%)
East of England	1.1915	1.3067	9.67
North of England	1.3305	1.4497	8.96
London	1.4053	1.5875	12.96
North West	1.3002	1.4052	8.08
Scotland	1.2839	1.3874	8.06
South of England	1.3656	1.4312	4.81
Wales and the West	1.5321	1.6587	8.26
West Midlands	1.2491	1.3720	9.83

¹ As an example, the London network comprises the average of the SSP unit rates across its three exit zones NT1, NT2 and NT3.

The change in the Retail Price Index

1.8 The RPI for year 2025 is the percentage change between the arithmetic average of the RPI for the period from 1 April 2024 to 30 September 2024 and the arithmetic average of the RPI for the period from 1 April 2025 to 30 September 2025. The calculation is shown in Table A1.3.

Table A1.3: Calculating the 2025 RPI

Defined Period	Arithmetic Average
April – September 2024	387.45
	405.93
April – September 2025	

RPI (%) 4.77

1.9 The RPI for the relevant periods uses the data published by the Office for National Statistics: ONS Consumer Price Indices - RPI indices.²

² RPI All Items Index: Jan 1987=100 - Office for National Statistics (ons.gov.uk)