

Unlocking Hydrogen's Potential

How Deblending can create new opportunities for transport

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The National Transmission System (NTS)

The role of gas:

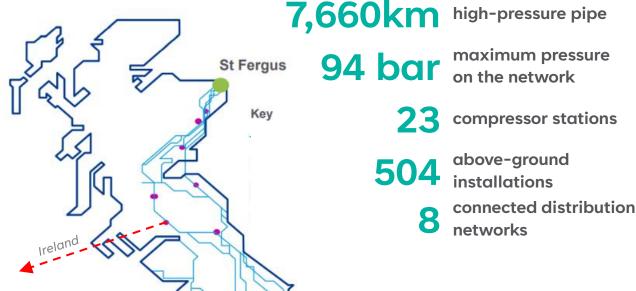
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Gas customers across the UK 85%

of UK households use gas for heat

881 TWh

of energy is supplied by the NTS each year



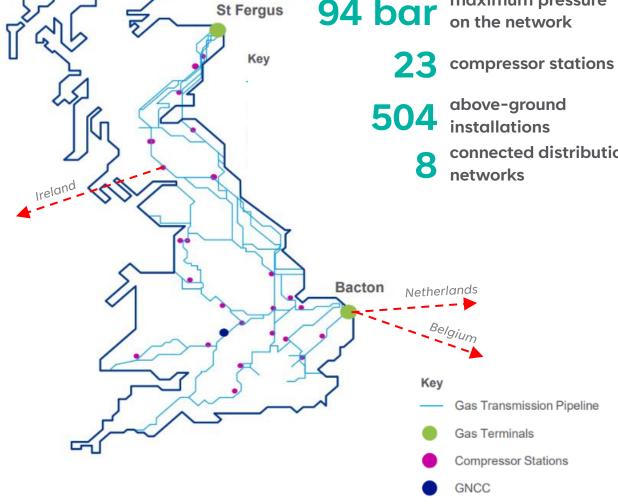
UK gas demand:

39% **Power** Generation

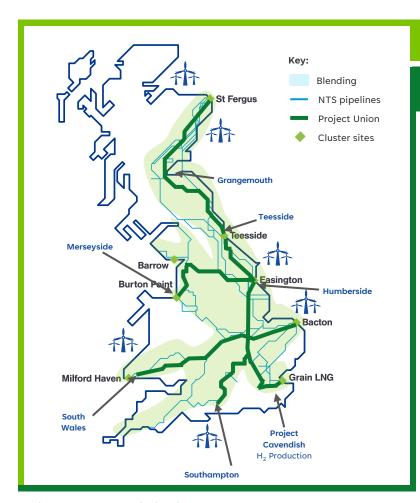
38%

Domestic Use

23% **Industrial &** Commercial



Dual Pathway to a hydrogen NTS: hydrogen blending and rollout of 100% hydrogen pipelines



Rollout of **blending** across the NTS

Strategic rollout of 100% pipeline connections

Delivering a Dual Pathway to transitioning the NTS to hydrogen:



In 2024/5 low level hydrogen blending on will be facilitated on the transmission network



From 2025 onwards blending could extend and increase up to 20% - more if deblending technology can be proven.



In 2028/9 Project Union will deliver the first phases of 100% hydrogen transmission pipeline between the northern clusters



By 2033 Project Union will have delivered a circa 2000km hydrogen backbone joining key production and use clusters



Asset conversion continues to 2045 to deliver a complete 100% hydrogen network.



Why Hydrogen for Transport Applications?



In 2035 – no more diesel engine trucks (<29 T GVW) can be sold in the UK



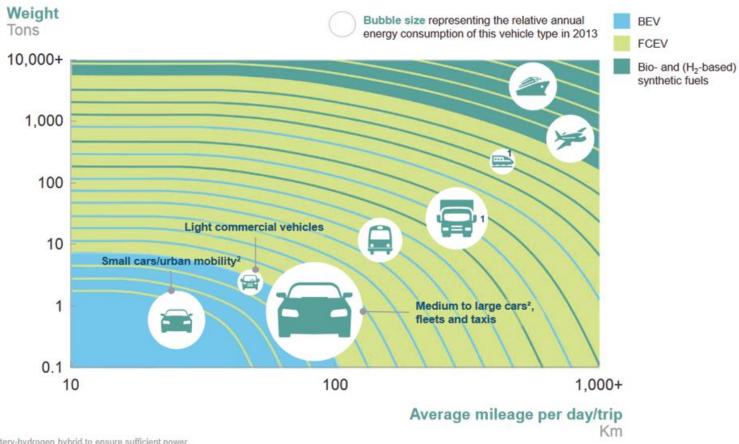
Hydrogen can provide a solution for hard to electrify rail lines such as rural long-distance lines



Projected 75-95TWh of UK demand for hydrogen-based fuels by 2050 DfT Clean Maritime Plan



Hydrogen can support aviation both directly and through alternative fuels



¹ Battery-hydrogen hybrid to ensure sufficient power

Source: Toyota, Hyundai, Daimler

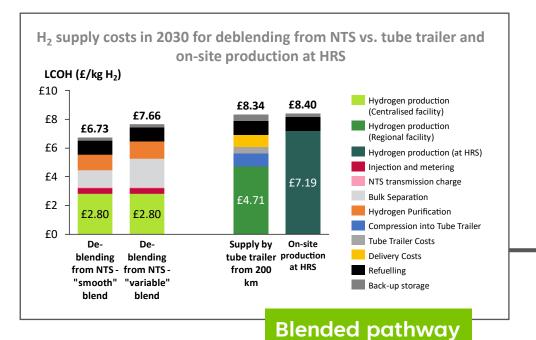
² Split in A- and B-segment LDVs (small cars) and C+-segment LDVs (medium to large cars) based on a 30% market share of A/B-segment cars and a 50% less energy demand.

The case for hydrogen transport

A Toyota Mirai just did 623 miles on a single tank of hydrogen 5.6kg

Mirai breaks Hyundai Nexo's record for going furthest on a tank of hydrogen

Jan 2021



Toyota Mirai sets 845-mile hydrogen mileage record

5.6kg

Toyota's hydrogen fuel cell Mirai travels a recordsetting distance between fill-ups with the help of professional hypermilers and simple maintenance.

Oct 2021

Green hydrogen costs 'can hit \$2/kg benchmark' by 2030: BNEF

A scaled-up industry could deliver green hydrogen for a benchmark cost of \$2/kg in 2030 and \$1/kg in 2050 in many parts of the world according to Bloomberg New Energy Finance.

Opportunity for further ~£2/kg reduction LCOH: £4.50/kg by 2030

Pure H2 pathway

'Producing green hydrogen for \$1/kg is achievable in some countries by 2030': WoodMac

Dramatic drops in the price of electrolysers, combined with low-cost renewable energy, can enable green H2 to be the cheapest form of hydrogen by the end of the decade, analyst says

National Gas Transmission

Transport use cases

World's first hydrogen-powered digger set to drive on UK roads

The first digger powered by a hydrogen combustion engine will soon be on UK roads and building sites.



Feb 2023

Aberdeen's hydrogen double decker buses notch up 100,000 miles of operation

Apr 2021





Mercedes-Benz hydrogen truck prototype covers more than 650 miles on one fill

Oct 2023

China's First Hydrogen Fuel Cell Vessel Enters Service



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A global-first, world-class hydrogen test facility

Demonstrating high-pressure gas transmission assets can transport hydrogen and providing the evidence for the transition.



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