

Choosing the right gas appliances

When buying a gas appliance, look for safety features such as flame failure devices, which cut off the gas if the flame is accidentally extinguished, and automatic re-ignition, which allows the appliance to relight itself if the flame is accidentally extinguished.

Make sure you choose certified appliances:

- Only buy and use gas appliances and components certified by the Australian Gas Association.
- Ensure your appliances are installed by a qualified gas fitter.
- Use your appliances according to instructions provided.
- Follow the manufacturer's servicing and maintenance requirements.
- Use your appliance only for the purpose intended.

Look for the Australian Gas Association or Queensland Gas Association compliance badge to ensure appliances are certified.

It pays to switch to natural gas

Rebates of up to \$500 are now available to Dalby residents who replace electric appliances with gas appliances under the State Government's Residential Gas Installation Rebate Scheme. Some of the rebates available are outlined below:

- Residents replacing an existing electric hot water system with a five-star rated gas system will be eligible for a \$300 rebate.
- Residents who already have a gas hot water system installed will be eligible to claim rebates of up to \$200 to replace electric appliances.
- \$200 rebate for residents purchasing one or more of the following cooking appliances - a (minimum) four-burner gas cook top, gas oven or gas stove.
- \$200 rebate for residents who purchase a (minimum) four-star energy efficient internal gas space heater with an external flue, which complies with Australian Standard 4553.
- \$200 rebate for residents who purchase a gas clothes dryer with an external flue.
- Only the property owner can apply. This includes landlords of rental properties.
- The applicant must have installed an eligible gas appliance that was purchased on or after 7 September 2006 and installed before the Scheme's conclusion.
- Rebates are not available when installing gas appliances in new homes.
- The maximum rebate per installation address is \$500.

To apply for a rebate, applicants need to complete and sign the rebate application form, available from Dalby Town Council. Attach a copy of the proof of purchase for the gas appliance as well as a copy of the gas compliance certificate issued by the gas fitter. Terms and conditions apply.

For more information

Please contact Council's Engineering Services on (07) 4672 1179 for information in relation to natural gas.

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Make the switch to natural gas

Reliable : Cost effective
Environmentally friendly : Safe



Why choose Natural Gas?

Natural gas is one of the most cost effective ways to heat and cook within your home.

Not only is natural gas cheap to use but it's a greenhouse-friendly form of fuel. So do your budget and the environment a favour by turning your house into a home with natural gas.

Cooking with natural gas appliances gives you the benefits of instant heat and temperature control, which is why many professional cooks love to cook with it. Not to mention saving money on usage costs.

And if outdoor cooking is your preference, consider switching your barbecue to natural gas and never have to worry about running out of gas again.

Hot water systems heated by natural gas deliver your hot water on demand resulting in less water and energy wastage and a constant temperature. No more cold showers because the hot water has run out.

Heating your home with natural gas offers excellent efficiency levels with comparatively cheaper running costs to other heating systems. Plus, it gives you a clean and cosy instant heat with lower emissions.

Natural gas is a safe, reliable and cost effective solution for your home. Take a look at the vast range of appliances and products now available and you'll see that it's the way of the future.



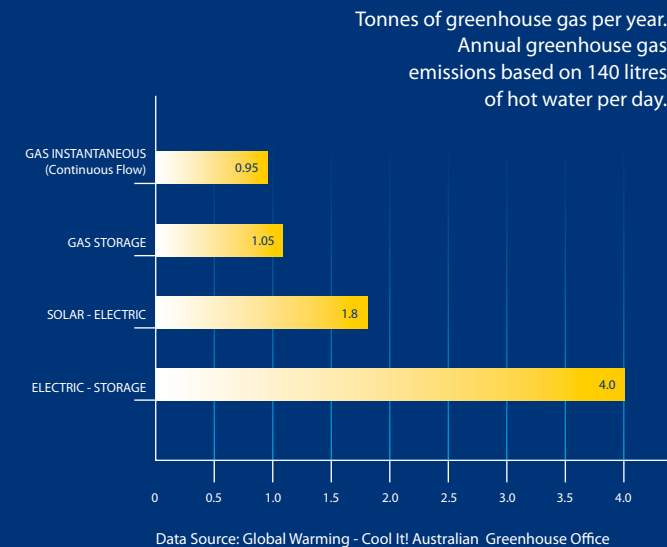
Good for the planet and your budget

When the cost effectiveness and the environmental benefits of various energy options are compared, natural gas appliances are the clear winner for all your cooking and heating needs. For more information visit www.greenhouse.gov.au.

Hot Tip!

Make sure you purchase a gas cooktop with fan-forced oven combination to halve the amount of emissions produced and save up to 30% on energy costs.

How much difference can be made by switching to gas?



The average household is responsible for about eight tonnes of carbon dioxide (CO₂), the main greenhouse gas, per year. By changing from electricity to gas for heating water and cooking you can reduce your household's CO₂ emissions by about 2.3 tonnes.

Take a domestic hot water system as an example. Gas has substantially lower CO₂ emissions than coal-generated electricity.

The table shows the approximate tonnage of greenhouse gases produced each year for various hot water systems. The number of energy stars on an appliance holds the key. The more stars, the greater the energy savings, the lower the emissions and the lower the running costs. Choosing a natural gas hot water system is both an environmental and cost effective solution for your home.

