



Smart meters for small businesses

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What are smart meters?

- Smart meters are digital versions of traditional gas and electricity meters
- They digitally measure how much energy you're using and send your meter reading directly to your energy supplier at agreed intervals
- Smart meters replace traditional analogue gas and electricity meters and they're being rolled out to homes and small businesses by energy suppliers
- A full smart meter installation combines different devices. For most small businesses, this will be:
 - an electricity smart meter,
 - a gas smart meter,
 - a communications hub
- Some small businesses may be offered an in-home display



The smart meter rollout in numbers



Smart Energy GB



More than 35.5 million smart meters have now been installed across GB



7 in 10 Microbusiness owners are aware smart meters are available for businesses



Over 57% of small businesses have a smart or advanced meter

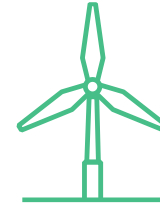


7 in 10 Small businesses would recommend smart meters to others

Benefits of smart meters for small businesses



Smart meters give you control over your businesses' energy spend thanks to the data they provide.



Smart meters are the foundation of a smarter and more flexible energy system for Great Britain.



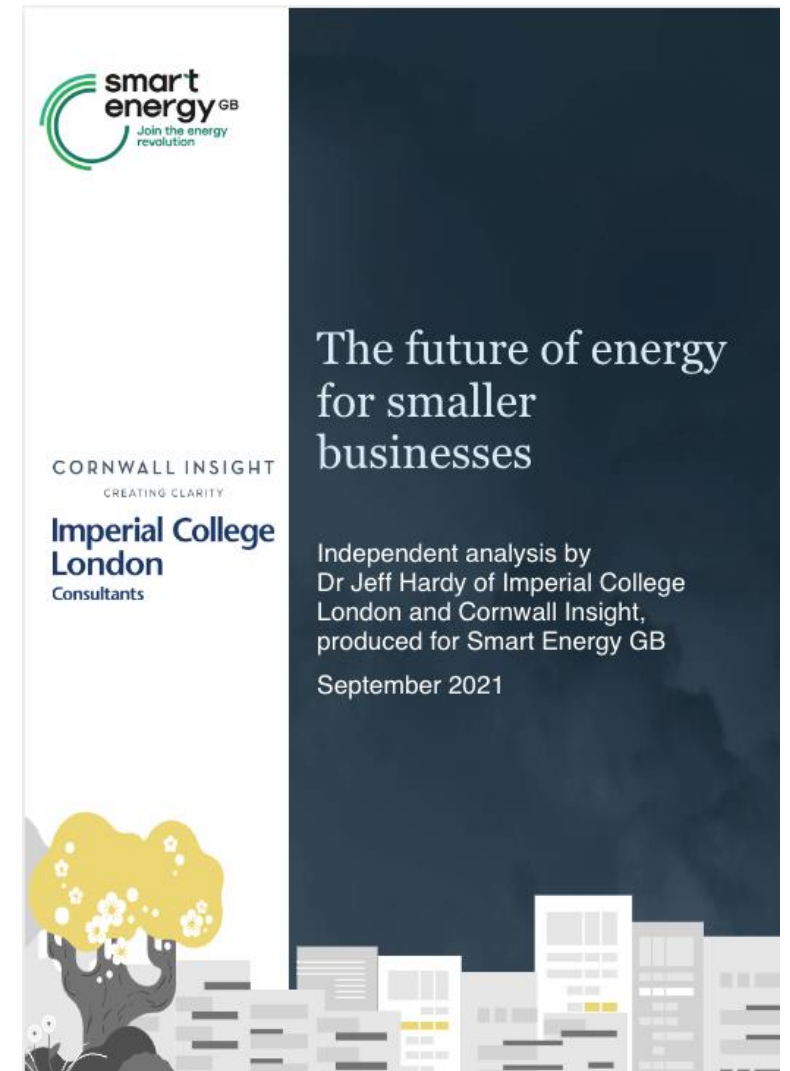
Smart meters give you accurate energy bills, so you pay for the energy your business uses, rather than through estimated bills



Smart meters provide energy use data which can help you make more informed choices about how you use energy in your business

The future of energy for small businesses

- Small businesses see up to 11% reductions in energy use, worth up to £135 a year on average with a smart meter
- But... small businesses can experience challenges engaging with the energy market
- Independent analysis by Cornwall Insight and Dr Jeff Hardy of Imperial College London, produced for Smart Energy GB explored potential benefits
- Smart meters enable the development of products and services which could enable:
 - Tariff matchmaking
 - Energy use management in rental properties
 - Electric Vehicle charging



Can I get a smart meter for my business?

- Eligibility is based on:
 - Number of employees
 - Annual turnover
 - Energy consumption
- If you rent your business space and pay your own energy bills, you may be eligible for a smart meter
- Ask your landlord if they plan to get one for your building
- Smart meter offerings may vary between energy suppliers



The installation process



Thank you, any questions?

For more information, please visit

<https://smart-meters-for-business.smartenergygb.org/>

