

Natural gas is an essential part of our clean energy future in the Northwest. Whether you're cooking, heating your home, or using electricity, natural gas is an affordable, reliable, and safe part of a clean energy system.



Nearly 70% of people prefer natural gas for home heating and cooking.¹



Natural gas produces 50% less CO₂ than other fossil fuels.²



Electricity can cost up to twice as much as natural gas.³

Innovative partnerships across the region help address climate change by reducing emissions in homes, businesses, and transportation, while creating jobs. Public and private partnerships are capturing greenhouse gas from waste streams and converting it into clean, renewable natural gas for all of us to use.



There are more than 12,000 natural gas transit buses operating in the U.S. helping to reduce emissions.⁴



Renewable natural gas is made by capturing methane from food waste, agricultural manure, landfills, and wastewater treatment plants. There are more than 200 farms and 1,200 waste water facilities in America using anaerobic digesters to create renewable natural gas.⁵



The natural gas industry employs nearly 2 million Americans and is expected to add 3.5 million jobs by 2035.⁶

We need a balanced energy system that includes a mix of clean energy sources like solar, wind, and renewable natural gas if we're going to address climate change. Progress has been made, and it's up to all of us to keep the momentum going.

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